

Drug Eluting Stents: Where Are We Going?

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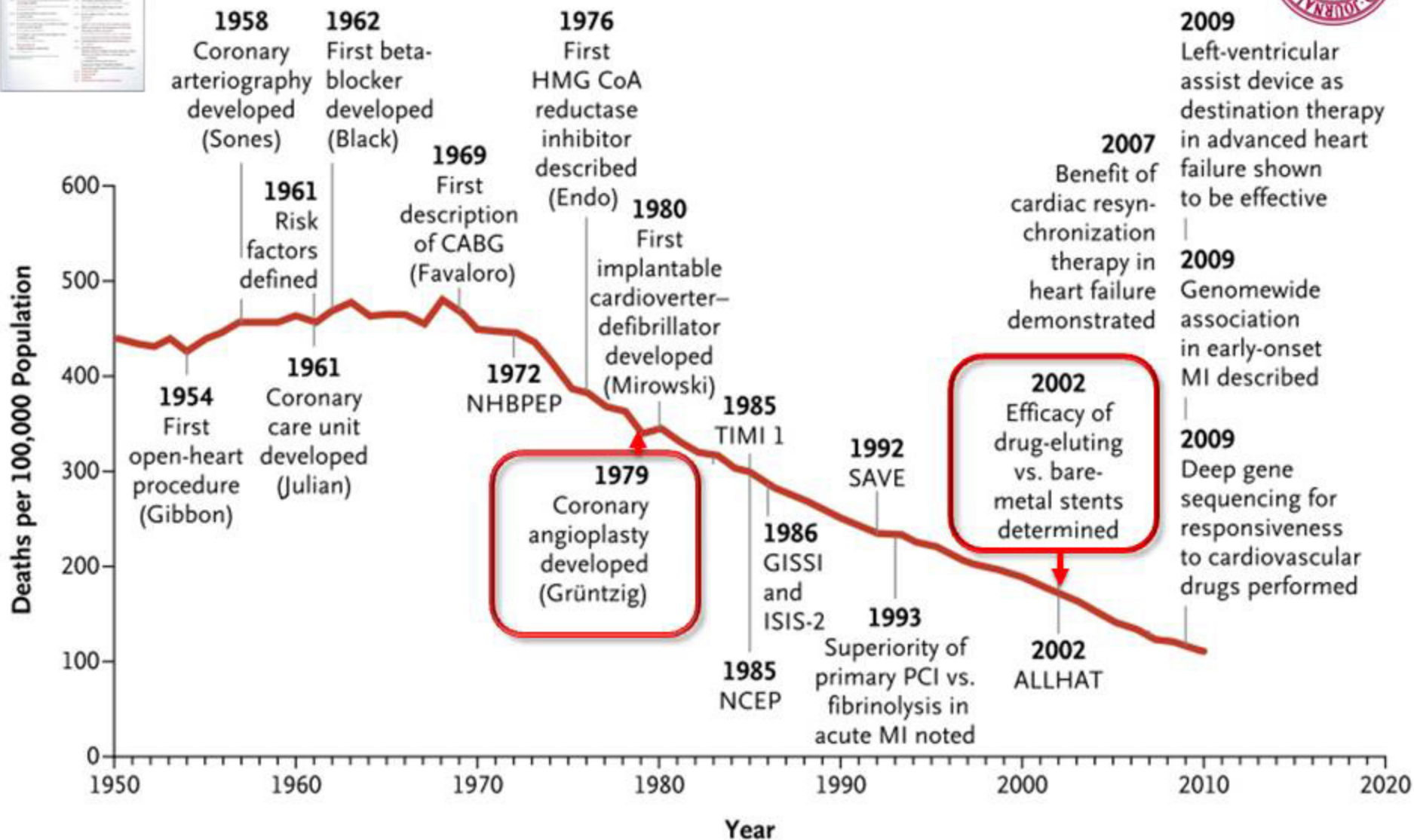
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Elizabeth G. Nabel, M.D., and Eugene Braunwald, M.D.

N Engl J Med 2012;366:54-63.



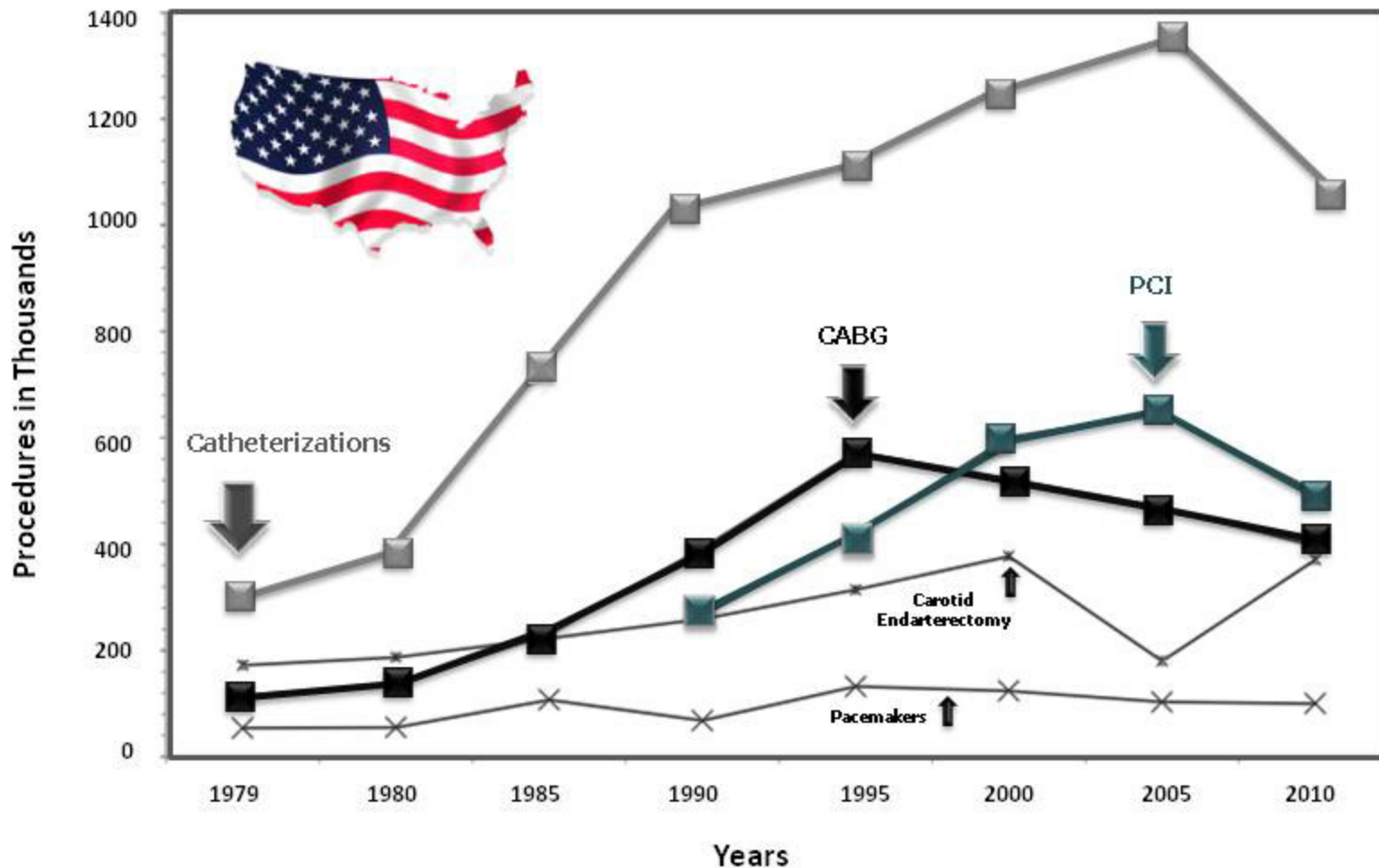
Heart Disease and Stroke Statistics—2013 Update

A Report From the American Heart Association



Trends in Cardiovascular Procedures, United States of America: 1979 to 2010

Go AS et al. *Circulation* 2013;127:e6-e245



What are the major problems with DES?

- **Stent Thrombosis,**

although reduced with newer generation DES,
still remains an issue

- **Stent Restenosis,**

although dramatically reduced with
newer generation DES still remains an issue,
especially in complex lesions and specific clinical subsets

Where are we going with-

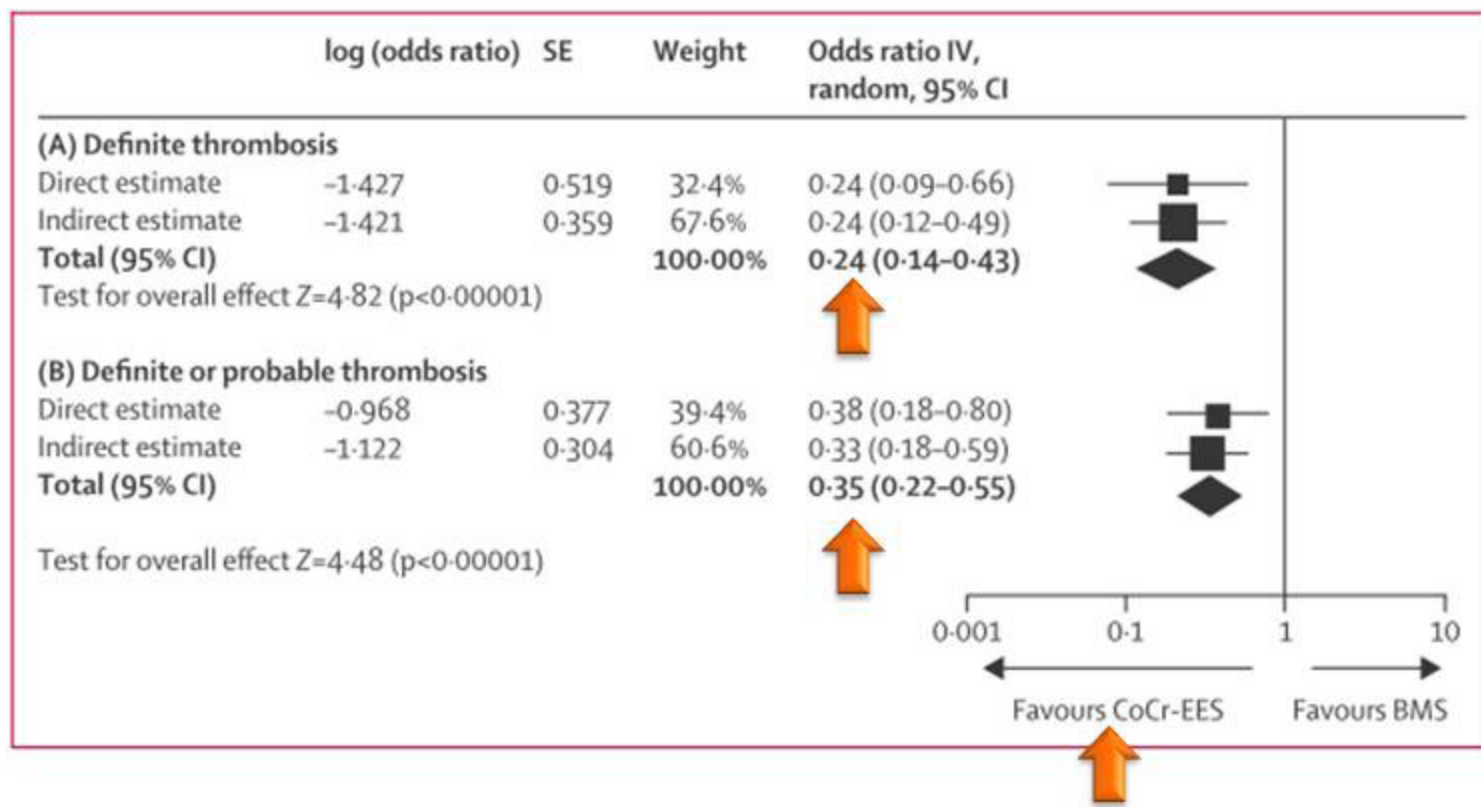
- **Technology**
- **Clinical Application**
- **Industry**



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Lancet 2012; 379: 1393-402

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	log (odds ratio)	SE	Weight	Odds ratio IV, random, 95% CI	
(A) Definite thrombosis					
Direct estimate	-1.427	0.519	32.4%	0.24 (0.09-0.66)	
Indirect estimate	-1.421	0.359	67.6%	0.24 (0.12-0.49)	
Total (95% CI)			100.00%	0.24 (0.14-0.43)	
Test for overall effect Z=4.82 (p<0.00001)					

The risk of ST (ARC criteria) has been reduced but not eliminated...



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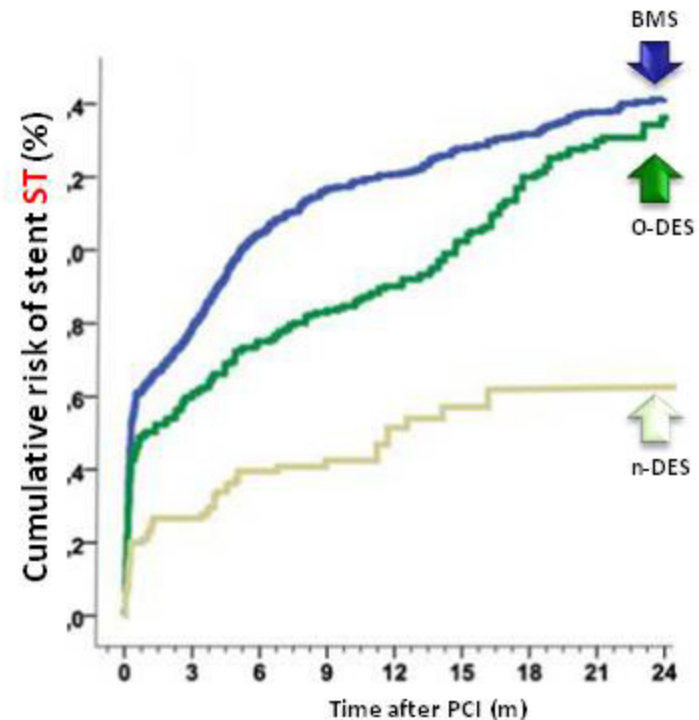
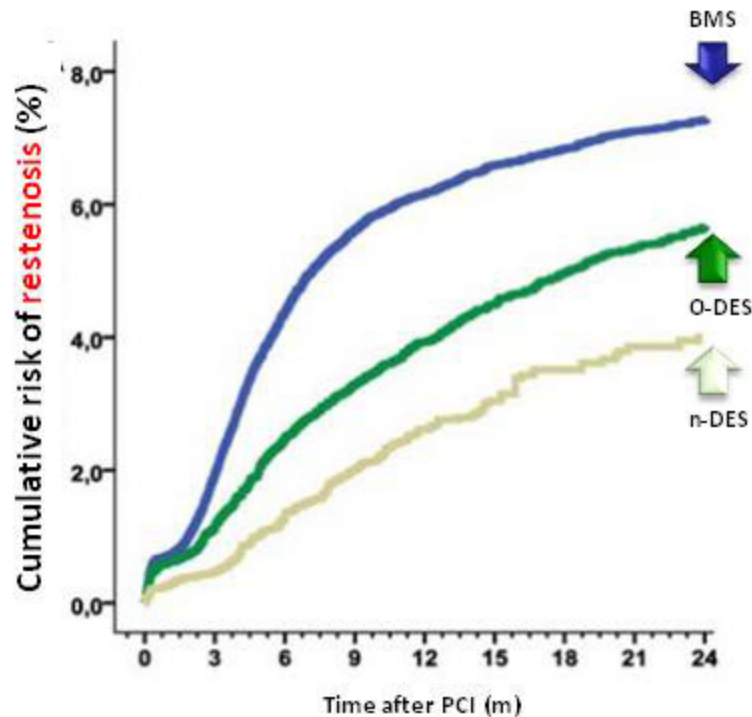
BMS: 64.631, o-DES: 19.2012, n-DES: 10.551

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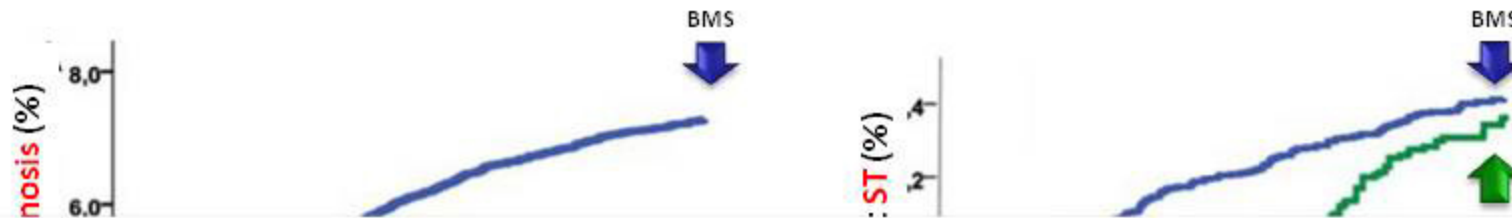
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PCI with n-DES was associated with:

38% lower risk of clinically meaningful restenosis,

43% lower risk of definite ST,

in this observational study from a large real-world population.

The risk has been reduced but not eliminated...

Where are we going with Technology?

•Drug

- Novel Antiproliferative Drugs

•Polymer

- Bioresorbable polymer
- Polymer composition
- No polymer

•Selective Drug Delivery

- Abluminal Coating

•Alloy

- Metallic, Durable
- Metallic, Bioresorbable
- Polymeric, Bioresorbable

•Alloy Design

- Longitudinal Integrity
- Strut Cross Linkage

•Strut Design and Thickness

- Open/Closed cells
- Hybrid cells
- Thinner struts
- Mesh covered struts

•Dedicated Stents

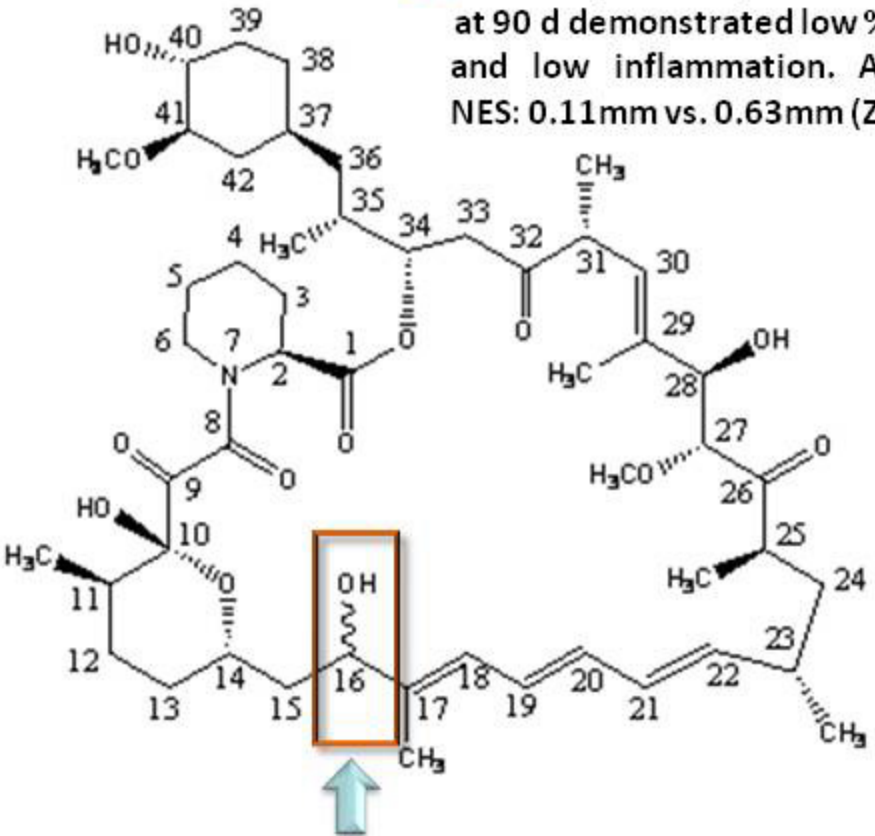
- Bifurcation stenting



A randomised comparison of novolimus-eluting and zotarolimus-eluting coronary stents: 9-month follow-up results of the EXCELLA II study

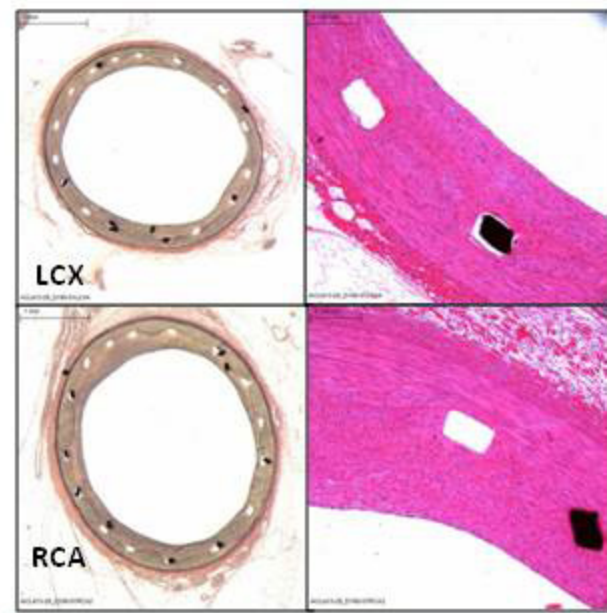
Serruys PW. et al. EuroIntervention. 2010; 6; 195-205

2. Histomorphometry and histopathology at 90 d demonstrated low % area stenosis and low inflammation. Angiographic LLL NES: 0.11mm vs. 0.63mm (ZES) ($p < 0.0001$)



1. Modification that aims to create a drug with similar efficacy to current agents with a lower dose and polymer load.

The purified durable methacrylate polymer controls the elution of Novolimus (a sirolimus analogue), which is produced via removal of a methyl-group from C16, as opposed to modification of C40 on the macrocyclic ring.



Novel Antiprolif. Drugs

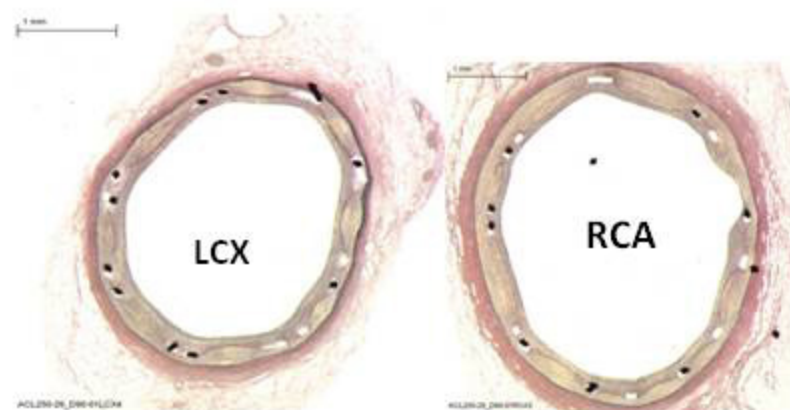
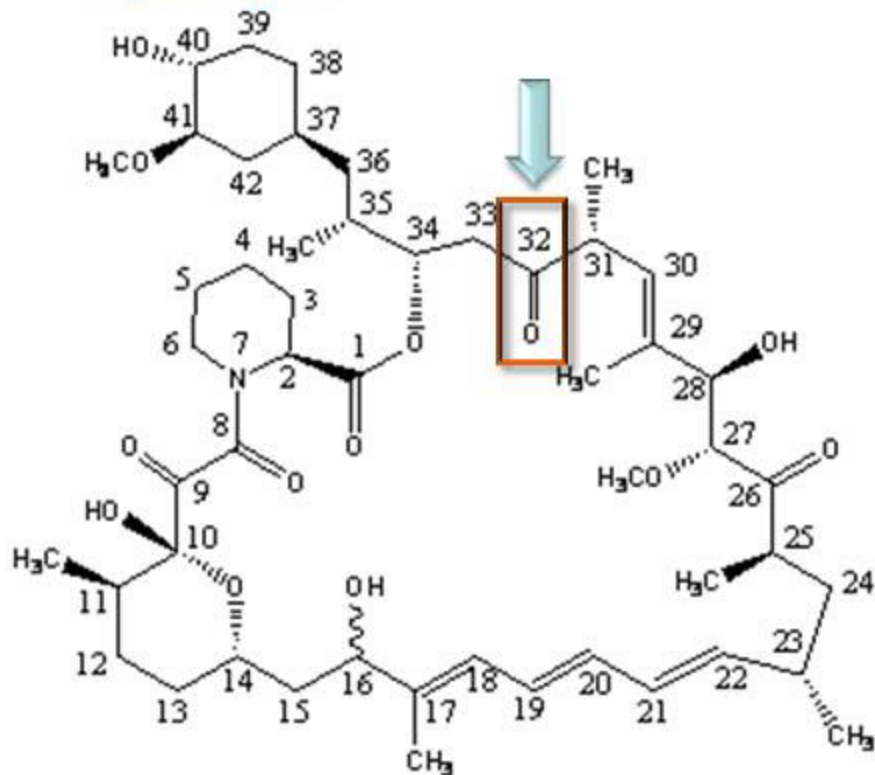


Multi-center first-in-man study with the lowest known limus dose on the Elixir medical Myolimus™ eluting coronary stent system with a durable polymer: 12-month clinical and six month angiographic and IVUS follow-up

Rutsch W. et al. EuroPCR, abstract, 2010

1. Modification that aims to create a drug with similar efficacy to current agents but requires a lower dose and polymer load.

The polylactide polymer coating controls the elution of Myolimus which is produced via **removal of an oxygen from C32**, as opposed to **modification of C40** on the macrocyclic ring.



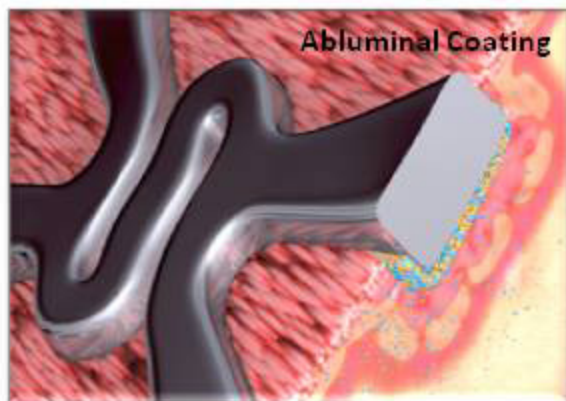
2. Histomorphometry and histopathology at 90 days demonstrated safety: Low % area stenosis & Low inflammation

3. LLL by quantitative coronary angiography (QCA) at 6m was 0.15 ± 0.11 mm; IVUS % neointimal volume was 1.4 ± 1.2 mm³ (Comparable to conventional DES)

**Novel
Antiprolif.
Drugs**

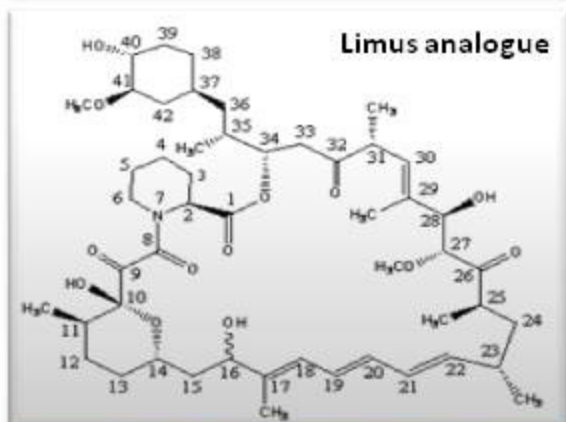
Biodegradable Polymer DES

BioMatrix[®] stent (Biosensor)



Biodegradable Coating

- Abluminal Coating
- Controlled Biodegradability
- Precise Drug Release Kinetics
- Simultaneous Polymer Degradation and Drug Release



Biolimus A9[™] (rapamycin derivative)

- A Potent New "Limus" Designed for Stent Applications
- Powerful anti-proliferative and anti-inflammatory properties
 - Prevents Smooth Muscle Cell Proliferation
- Highly Lipophilic with Optimal Local Tissue Uptake



Bio
degradable
Polymer



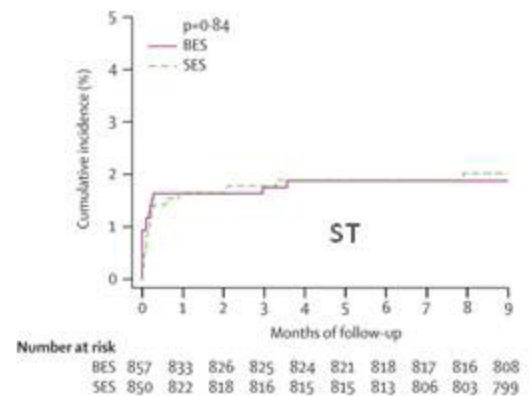
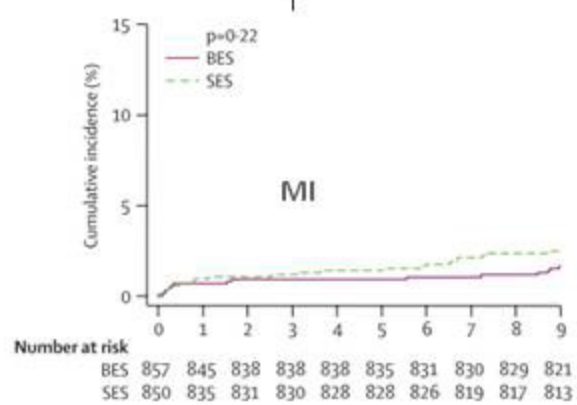
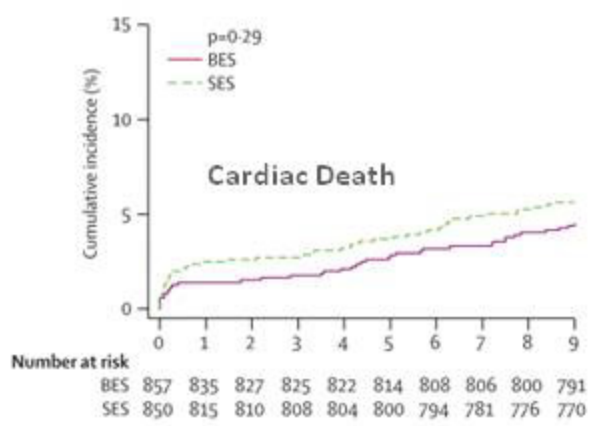
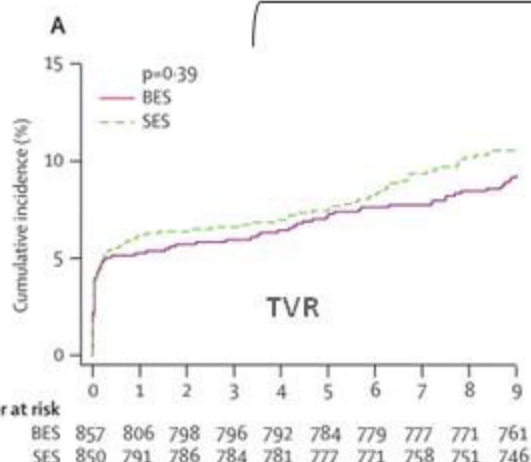
Biolimus-eluting stent with biodegradable polymer versus sirolimus-eluting stent with durable polymer for coronary revascularisation (LEADERS): a randomised non-inferiority trial



Windecker S. et al. Lancet 2008; 372:1163-73

Interpretation Our results suggest that a stent eluting biolimus from a biodegradable polymer represents a safe and effective alternative to a stent eluting sirolimus from a durable polymer in patients with chronic stable coronary artery disease or acute coronary syndromes.

All p-values for superiority



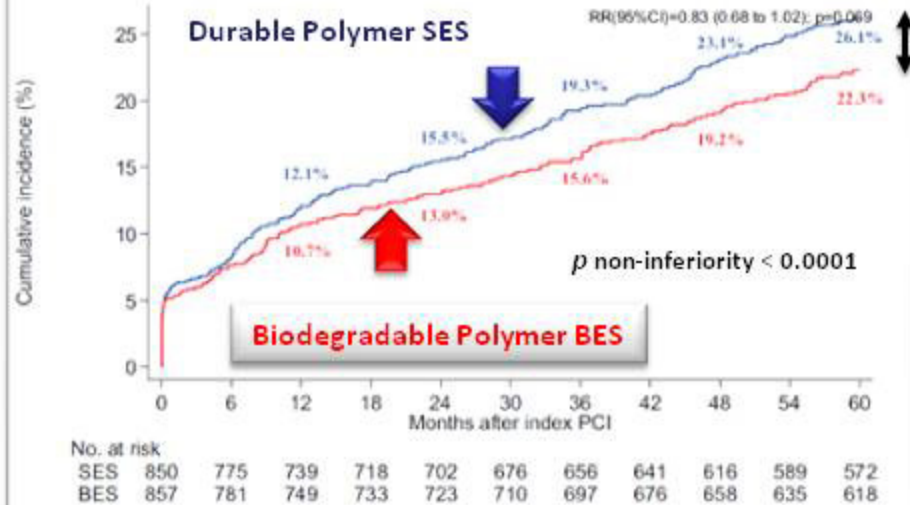
	Biolimus-eluting stent	Sirolimus-eluting stent	Difference	
			Estimate (95% CI)	p value
Late loss (mm)‡				
In-stent	0.13 (0.46)	0.19 (0.50)	-0.05 (-0.14 to 0.05)	0.34
In-segment	0.08 (0.45)	0.15 (0.46)	-0.07 (-0.16 to 0.02)	0.12
Binary restenosis				
In-stent	14/253 (5.5%)	20/231 (8.7%)	3.2 (-1.7 to 7.9)	0.20
In-segment	17/253 (6.7%)	25/231 (10.8%)	4.1 (-1.5 to 9.7)	0.15



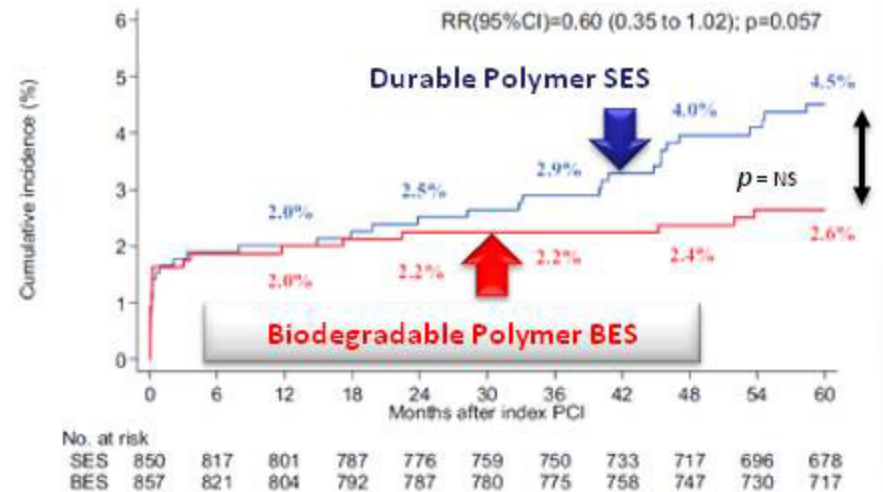
Final 5-year report of the Limus Eluted From A Durable Versus ERodabile Stent Coating (LEADERS) randomised, non-inferiority trial

Serruys PW. et al. JACC Cardiovasc. Interv. 2013, in press

All cause Death, any MI, all cause revascularisation



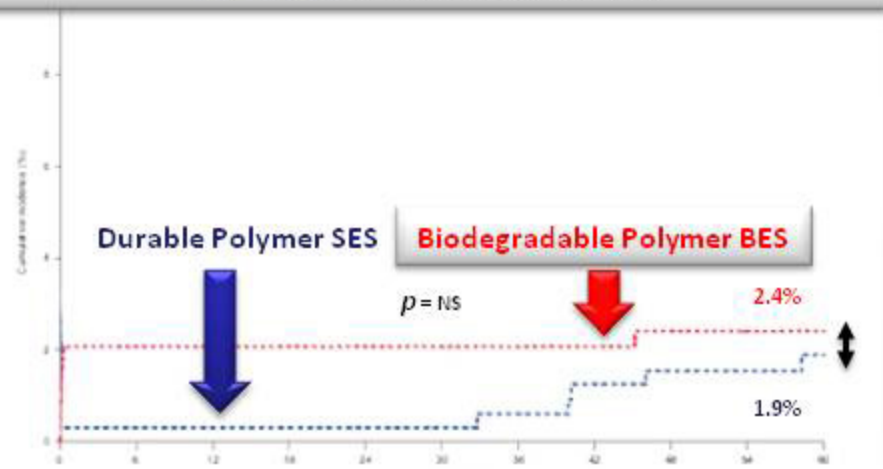
Definite Stent Thrombosis (ST) (ARC criteria)



Definite ST/ High SYNTAX Score > 12



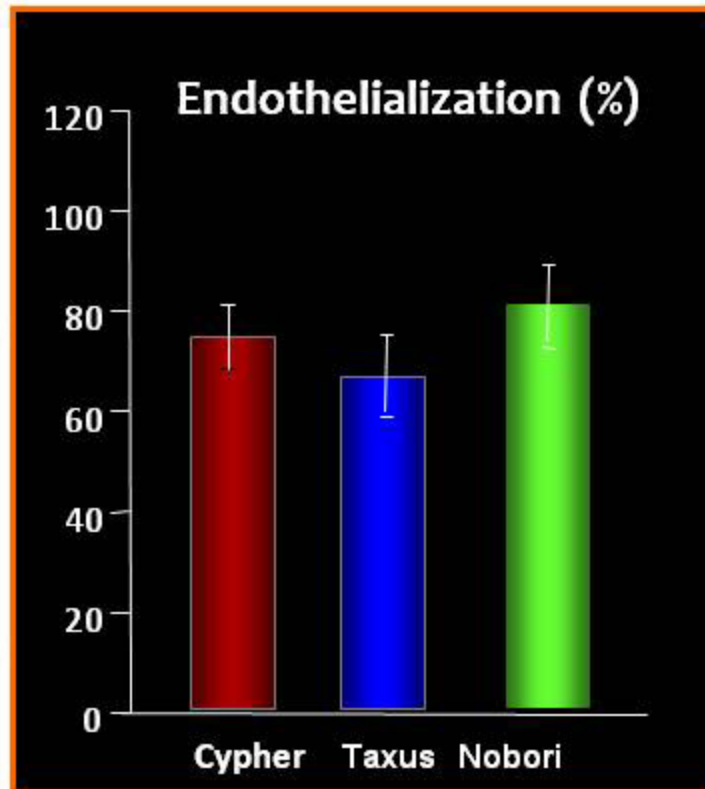
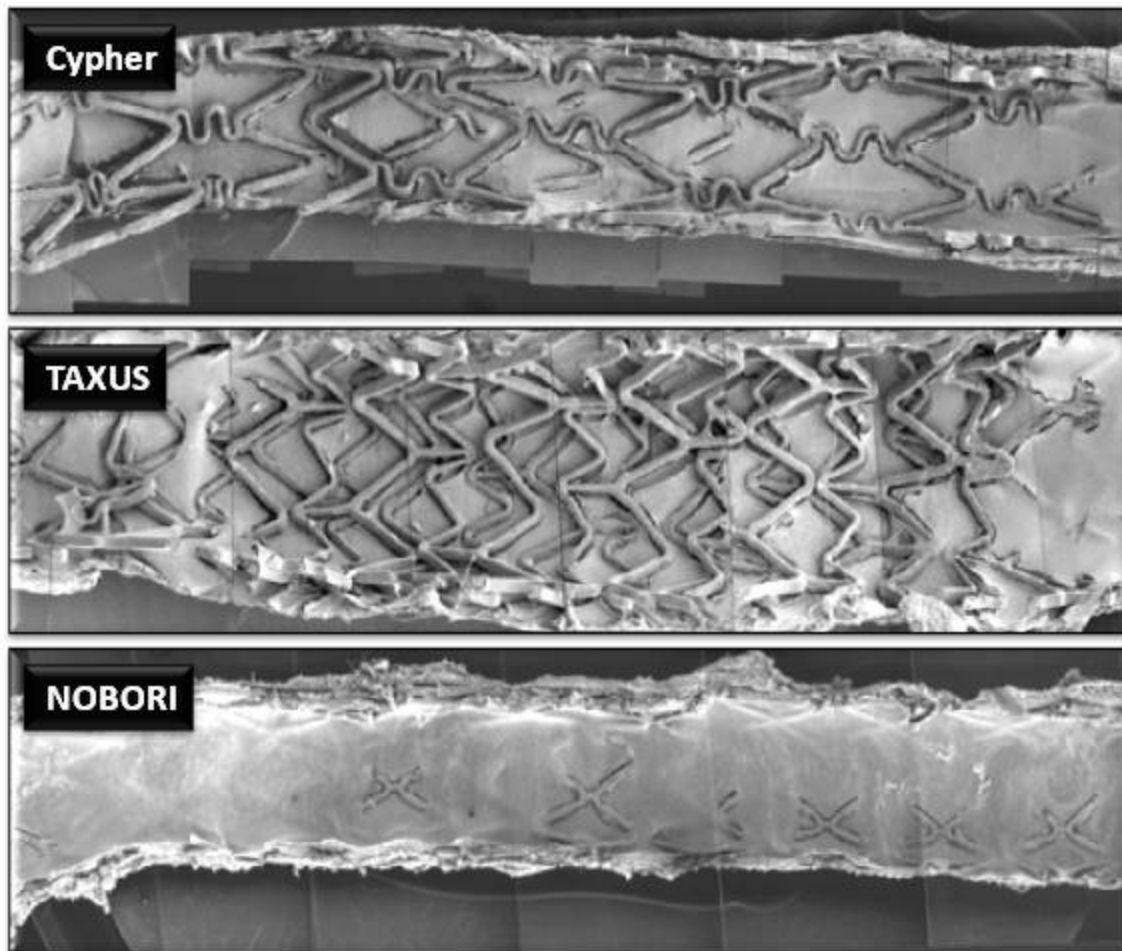
Definite ST/ Low SYNTAX Score < 12



Biodegradable Polymer DES

Nobori[®] stent (TERUMO)

Comparison of Various overlapped DES in Rabbit Iliac Arteries at 28-days

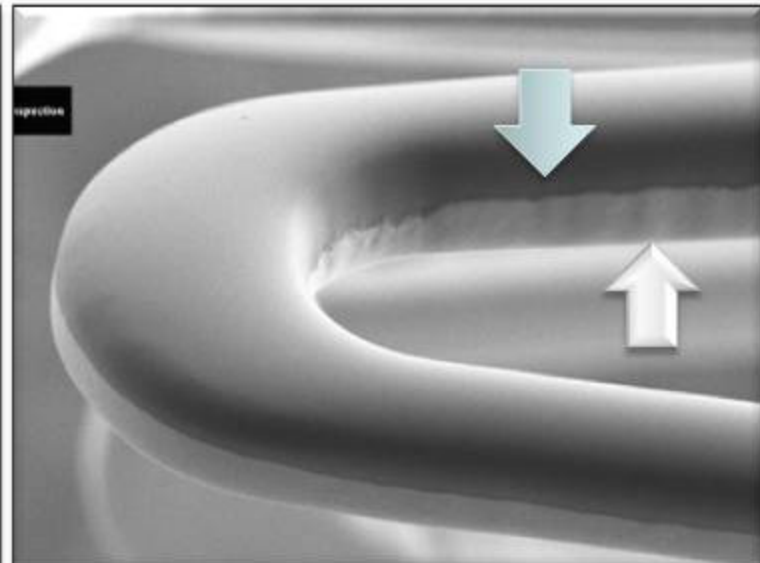
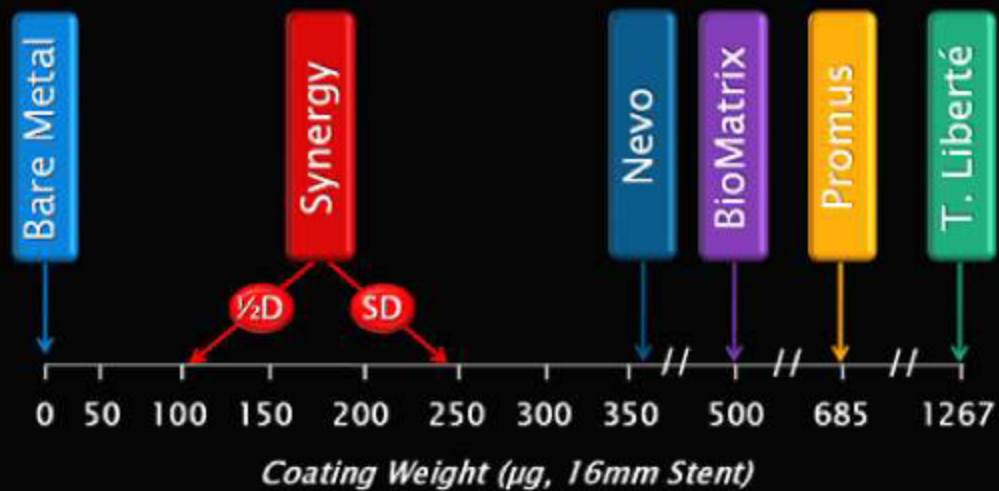
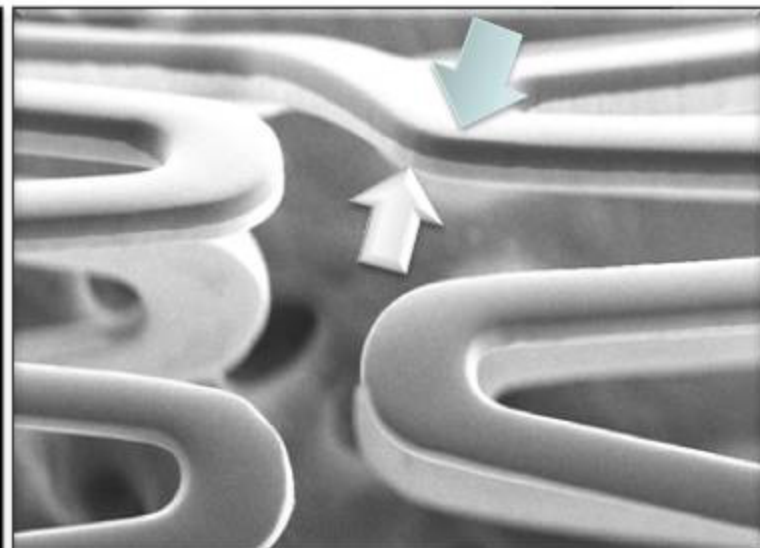


Finn A, et al. Circulation 2005

Biodegradable Ultrathin Polymer DES

Synergy[®] stent (Boston Scientific)

Bioerodable polymer is only applied at the abluminal surface of the stent
Maximum coating thickness 3 μ m (low dose) and 4 μ m (high dose)
(Ultrathin coating)



Selective Drug Delivery

Combo[®] stent (Orbus Neich)

Rapamycin (5 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mm}$) applied in biodegradable SynBiosys polymer on the abluminal side

Anti-CD34 surface to promote healing through rapid stent endothelialization.

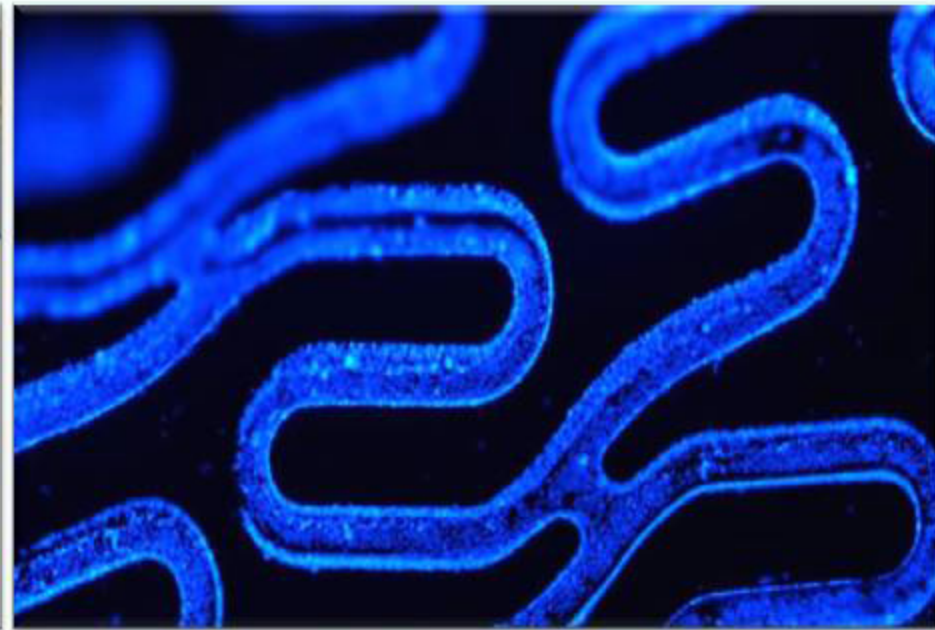
Low dose sirolimus in biodegradable polymer matrix

Abluminal surface

Stent Strut

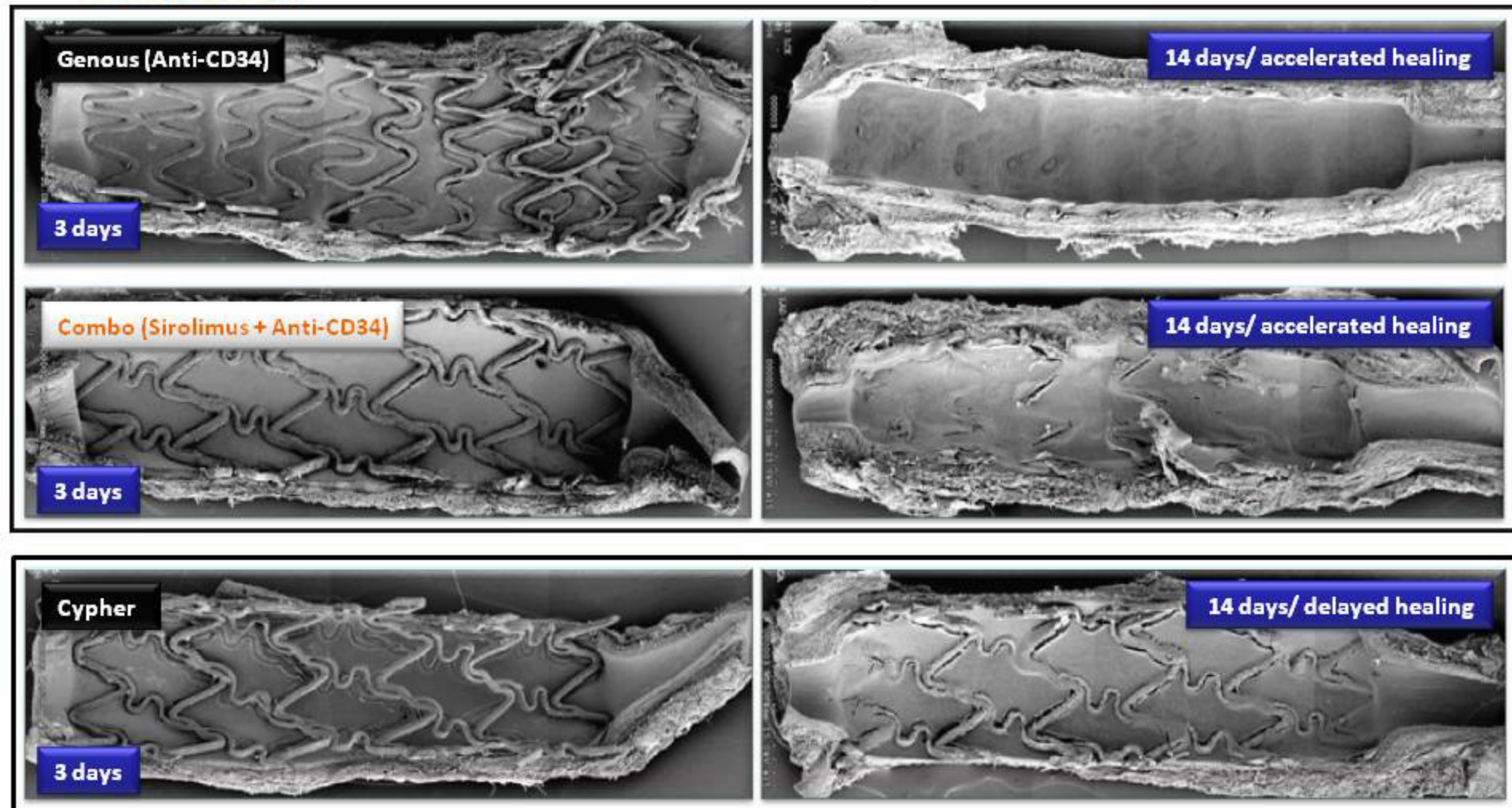
Luminal surface

Anti CD34 Antibody Coating For EPC Capture

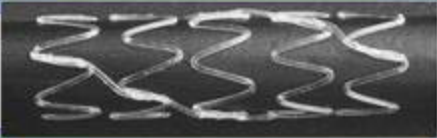

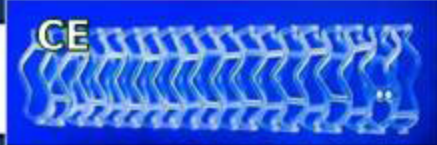





Development of a Novel Prohealing Stent Designed to Deliver Sirolimus From a Biodegradable Abluminal Matrix

Both optical coherence tomography and histology demonstrate that **Combo stents (anti-CD34 sirolimus-eluting stents)** promote endothelialization while reducing neointimal formation and inflammation.



Bioresorbable Metallic DES & Bioresorbable Polymeric Scaffolds

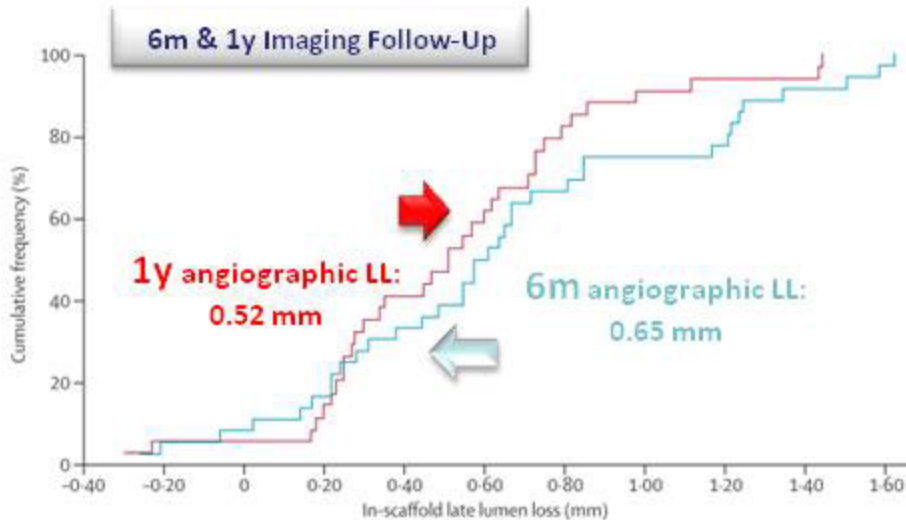
Company / Device	Design of the bioresorbable device	Strut thickness, (μ m)	Polymer / Drug	Absorption time	Late loss, (mm)
Kyoto Medical / Igaki-Tamai		170	PLLA	2 years (y)	0.48 (6 m)
Biotronik / DREAMS		125	Mg alloy (AMS-4) / sirolimus	4 to 6 months (m)	0.68 (6 m)
Abbott / ABSORB BVS*		150	PLLA/ everolimus	2 y	0.19 (6 m)
Reva Medical / ReSolve		200	Tyrosine poly carbonate with iodine / sirolimus abluminal	2 y	1.81 (6 m)
- / BTI		200	Salicylic acid into polymer (PLA or adipic acid)/ sirolimus	6 m	NA
Elixir / DESolve		150	PLLA/ novolimus	1 to 2 y	0.19 (6m)

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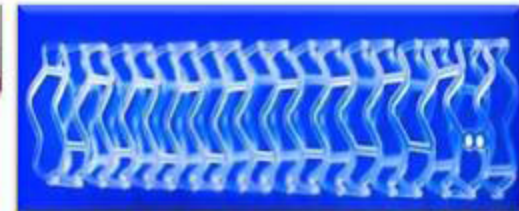


Safety and performance of the drug-eluting absorbable metal scaffold (DREAMS) in patients with de-novo coronary lesions: 12 month results of the prospective, multicentre, first-in-man BIOSOLVE-I trial

Haude M. et al. Lancet. 2013, Jan 14 [Epub ahead of print]



Interpretation Our results show feasibility, a good safety profile, and promising clinical and angiographic performance results up to 12 months for DREAMS. Our promising clinical results show that absorbable metal scaffolds might be an alternative to polymeric absorbable scaffolds.



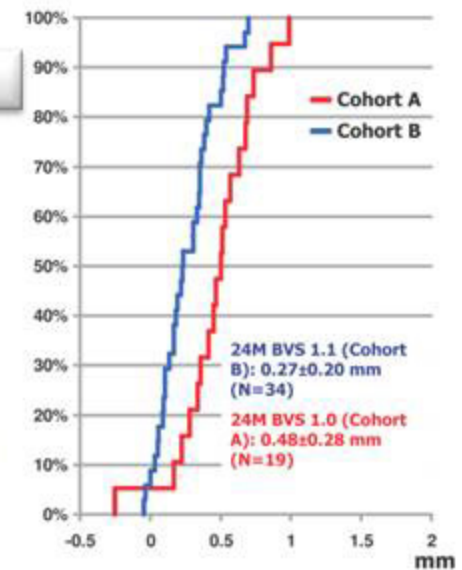
First Serial Assessment at 6 Months and 2 Years of the Second Generation of Absorb Everolimus-Eluting Bioresorbable Vascular Scaffold
A Multi-Imaging Modality Study

Ormiston J. et al. Circ Cardiovasc Interv. 2012; 5: 620-632

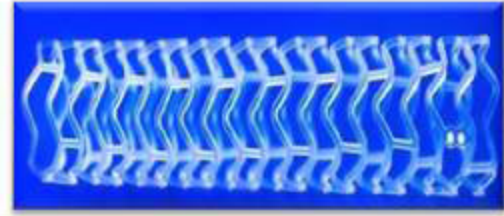
2y Imaging Follow-Up

2y angiographic LL:
0.27 mm

(with the 2nd generation BVS,
BVS 1.1)



Bioresorbable Metallic DES & Bioresorbable Polymeric Scaffolds



Will bioresorbable scaffolds be as good as metal for scaffolding complex and calcified lesions ?

Will they be suitable for bifurcation lesions ?

Will thick struts present problems ?

Will preemptive stenting of "vulnerable" but non obstructive plaques occur ?

Will improvements in medical therapy trump invasive prevention in trials ?

Can bioresorbable technology become cost competitive with low cost DES ?



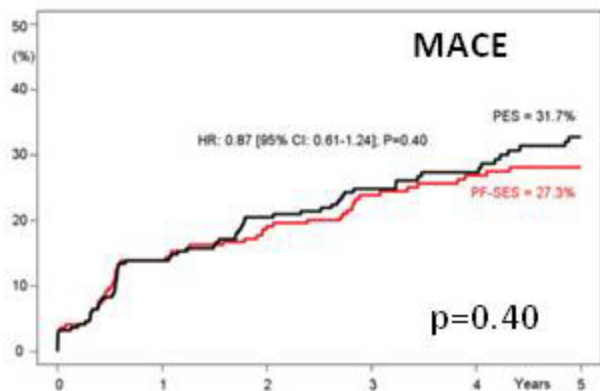
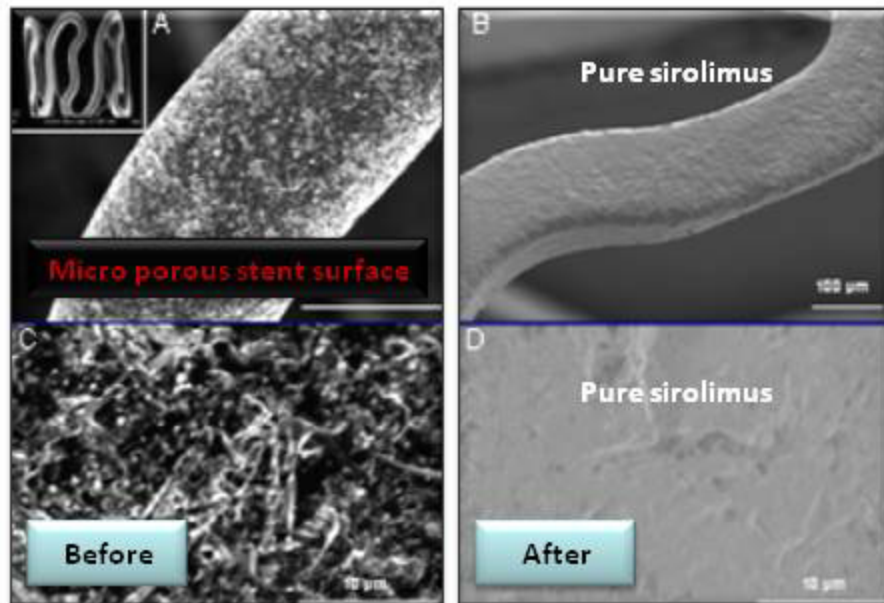
Polymer free (PF) DES

YUKON CHOICE[®] stent (Translumina)

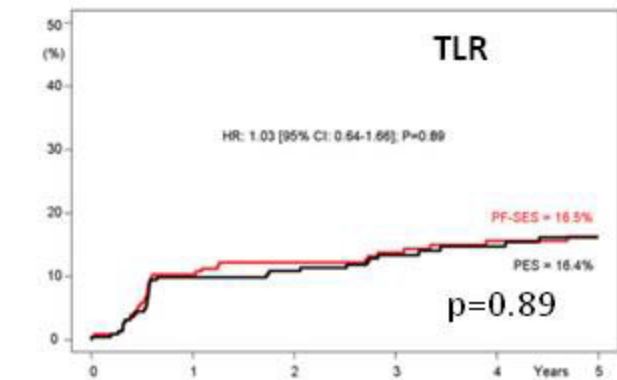


Five-Year Clinical Outcomes of a Polymer-Free Sirolimus-Eluting Stent Versus a Permanent Polymer Paclitaxel-Eluting Stent: Final Results of the Intracoronary Stenting and Angiographic Restenosis – Test Equivalence Between Two Drug-Eluting Stents (ISAR-TEST) Trial

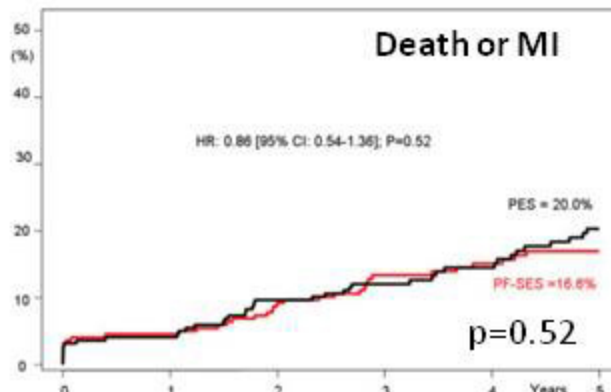
King L. et al. Cath Card Interv. 2013, E 23-28



PF-SES	225	188	177	132	123	114
PES	225	190	174	138	116	99



PF-SES	225	192	182	138	129	119
PES	225	195	180	145	123	104



PF-SES	225	208	198	151	144	133
PES	225	210	196	163	139	119

Overall there was no signif. difference in clinical outcomes between PF SES and PES at 5 years. This supports the durability and efficacy of PF DES.

Reducing strut thickness... What have we achieved?

	2013				2000
Mitsu	BioMime	XIENCE PRIME	ENDEAVOR RESOLUTE	TAXUS Liberte	CYPHER
					
Strut Thickness:	Strut Thickness:	Strut Thickness:	Strut Thickness:	Strut Thickness:	Strut Thickness:
40 μm	65 μm	81 μm	91 μm	97 μm	140 μm
Alloy:	Alloy:	Alloy:	Alloy:	Alloy:	Alloy:
Cobalt Chromium	Cobalt Chromium	Cobalt Nickel	316L Stainless Steel	316L Stainless Steel	316L Stainless Steel
Polymer Thickness:	Polymer Thickness:	Polymer Thickness:	Polymer Thickness:	Polymer Thickness:	Polymer Thickness:
< 2 μm	2 μm	7.8 μm	6.2 μm	17.8 μm	12.6 μm





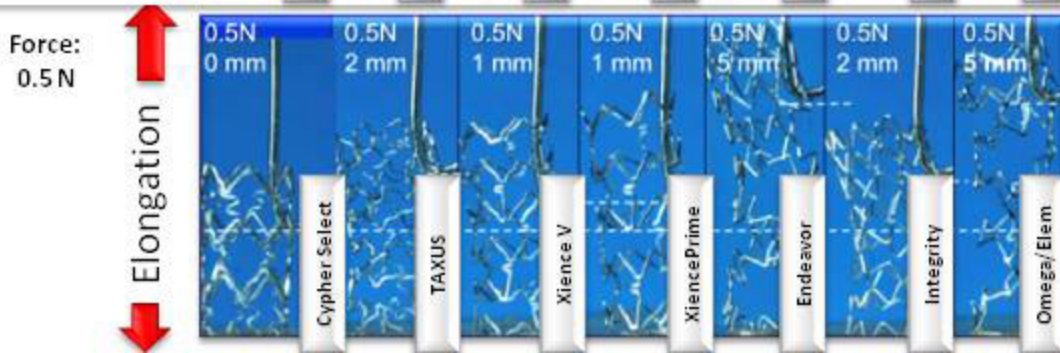
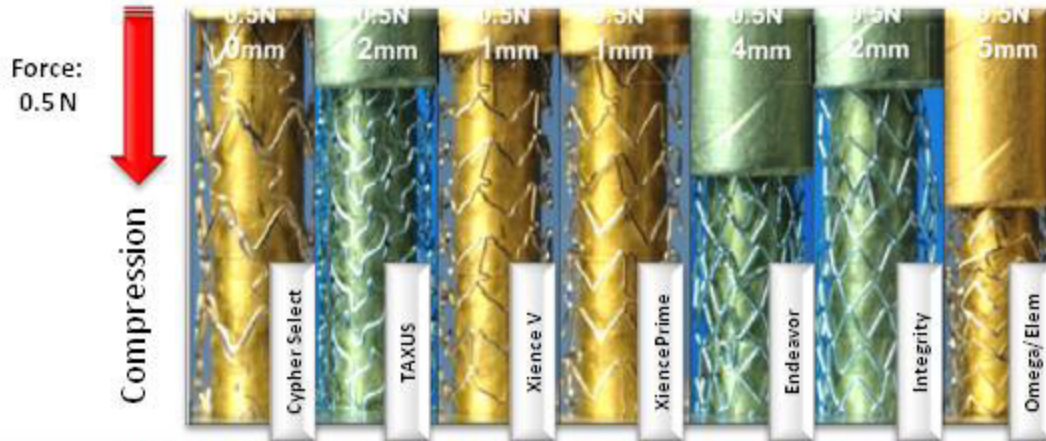
Alloy Design, Importance of Strut Cross Linkage

Stent Longitudinal Integrity

Ormiston J. et al. JACC Cardiovasc Interv. 2011; 4(12):1310-7

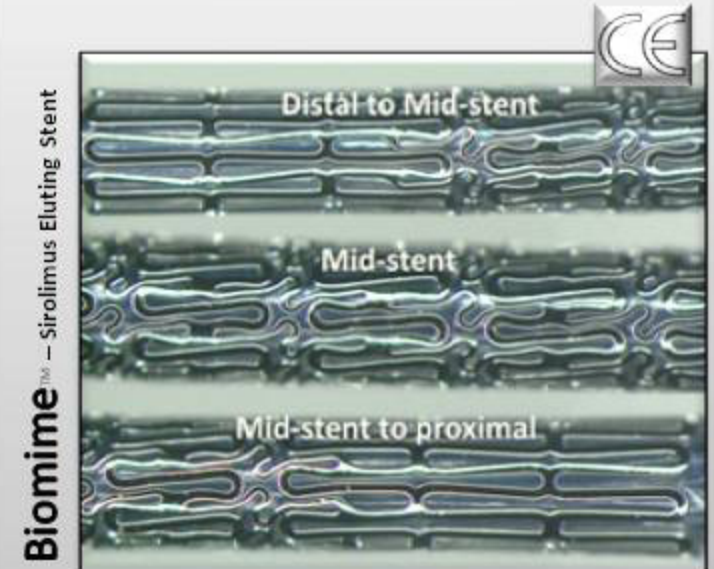
Stents with **2 connectors** between hoops have less longitudinal strength when exposed to **compressing or elongating forces** than those with more connectors

Cypher Select was **not compressed** and appeared to have the **greatest longitudinal stability**



Alloy Design, Thinner Struts

Not commercially available yet



Where are we going with Clinical Application?

Stent Utilization in stable CAD

- Influence of guidelines recommending OMT, FAME I suggesting that stents be limited
- Influence of FAME II suggesting that stenting improves outcomes

Stenting or CABG?

- Influence of SYNTAX Score in treating LM or MV disease
- Influence of FREEDOM trial in treating DM + Multivessel
(Better with CABG, but is it for all?)





Fractional Flow Reserve–Guided PCI versus Medical Therapy in Stable Coronary Disease

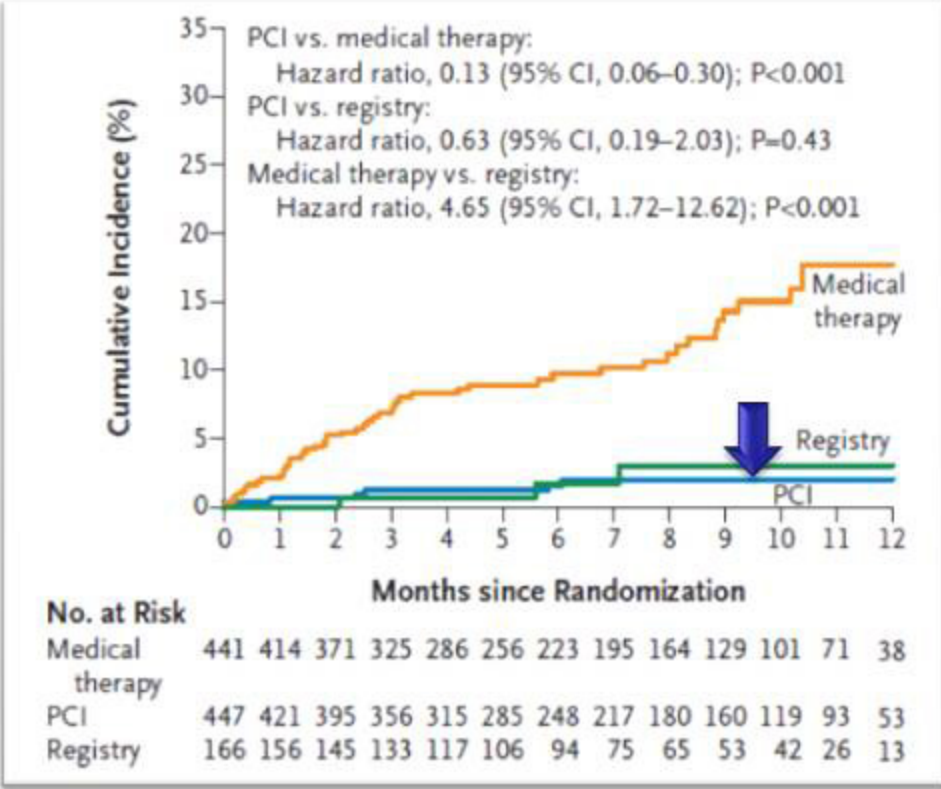
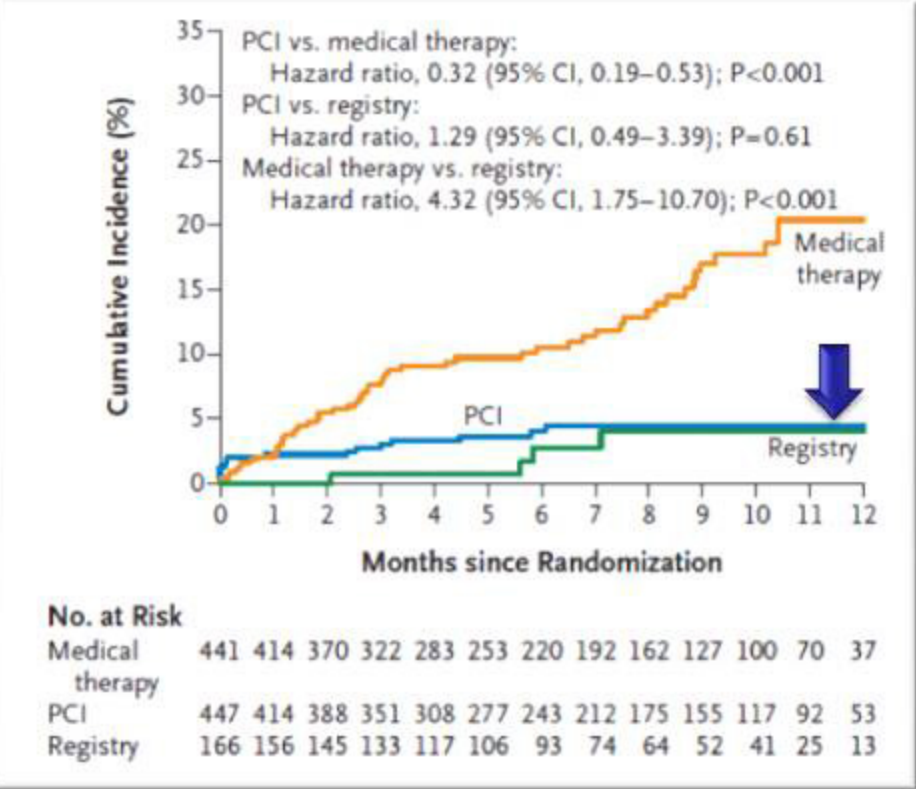
Bernard De Bruyne, N Engl J Med 2012;367:991-1001.



In patients with stable CAD and functionally significant stenoses, FFR guided PCI + OMT as compared with OMT alone decreased the need for urgent revascularization

Primary Endpoint: Death, MI or Urgent Revascularization

Urgent Revascularization



1. The % of patients who had a primary endpoint event was: 4.3% (PCI) vs. 12.7% (OMT), ($p < 0.001$)
2. This difference was driven by a lower rate of urgent revascularization in the PCI (1.6%) vs. the OMT (11.1%), ($p < 0.001$)



Coronary artery bypass graft surgery versus percutaneous coronary intervention in patients with three-vessel disease and left main coronary disease: 5-year follow-up of the randomised, clinical SYNTAX trial

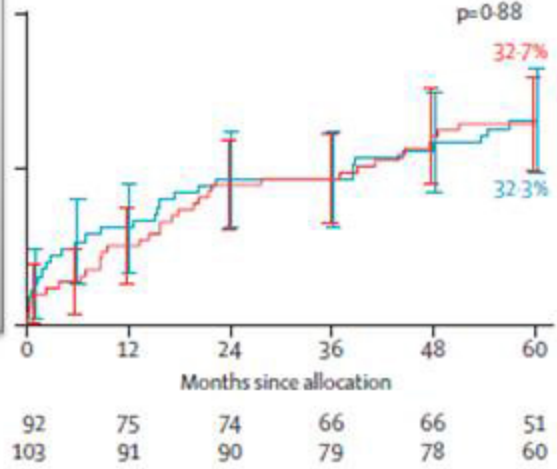
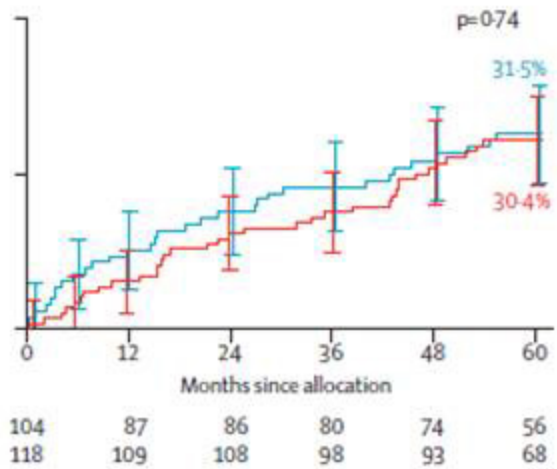
Friedrich W Mohr, *Lancet* 2013; 381: 629-38

Left Main subgroup

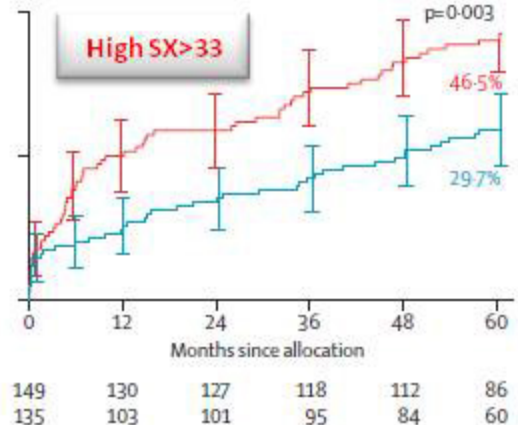
Low SX: 0-22

Intermediate SX: 23-32

PCI acceptable alternative to CABG in patients with Low or Intermediate SX scores.



High SX >33



CABG remains the standard of care for patients with High SX scores.

Left Main Coronary Stenting Crossing the Rubicon?

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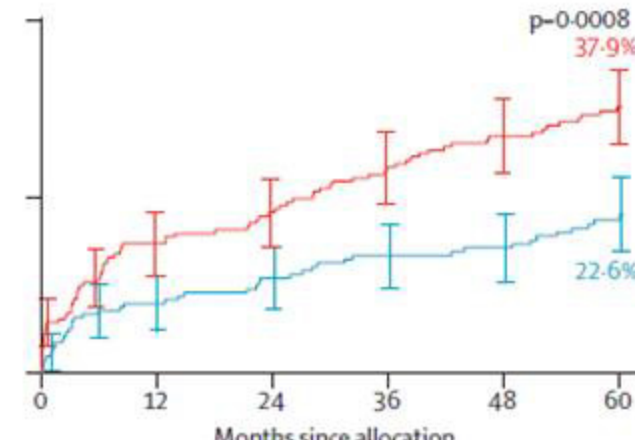
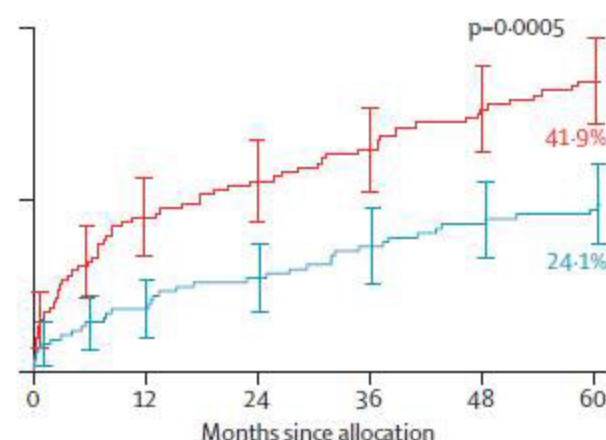
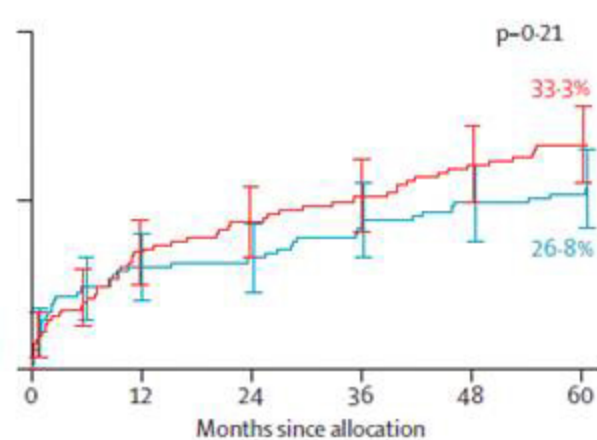
Friedrich W Mohr, *Lancet* 2013; 381: 629-38

MV subgroup

Low SX: 0-22

Intermediate SX: 23-32

High SX: > 33



171	137	135	133	123	98
181	154	147	139	130	100

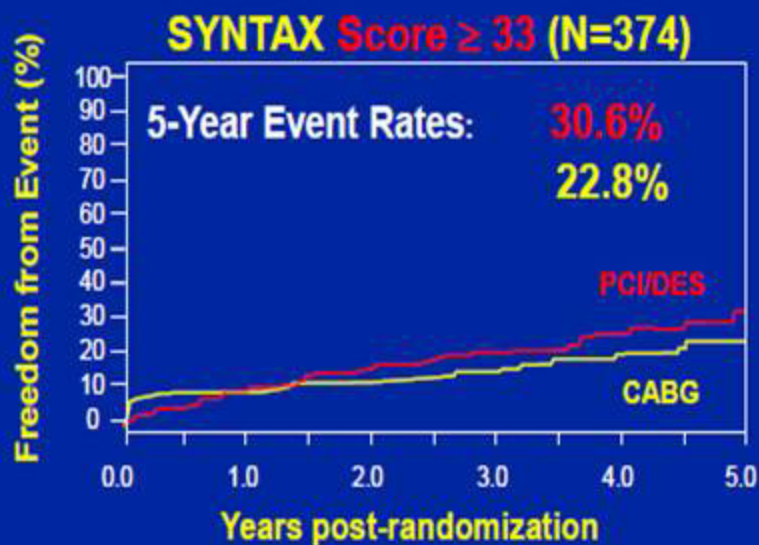
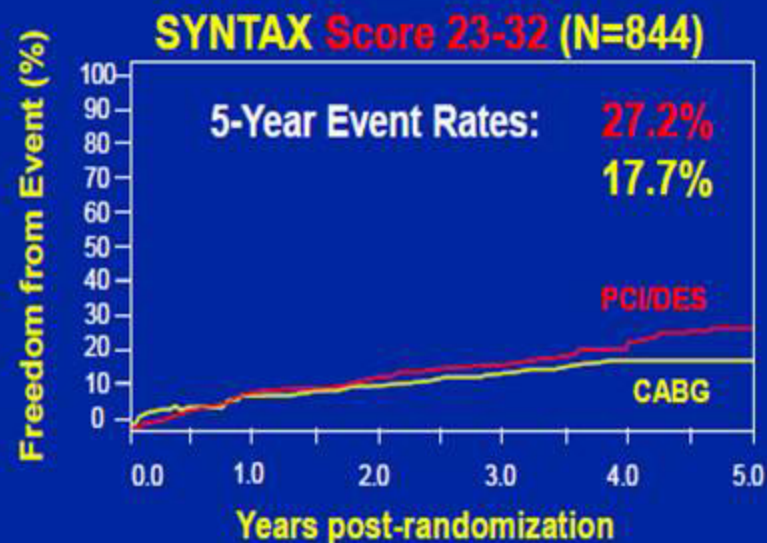
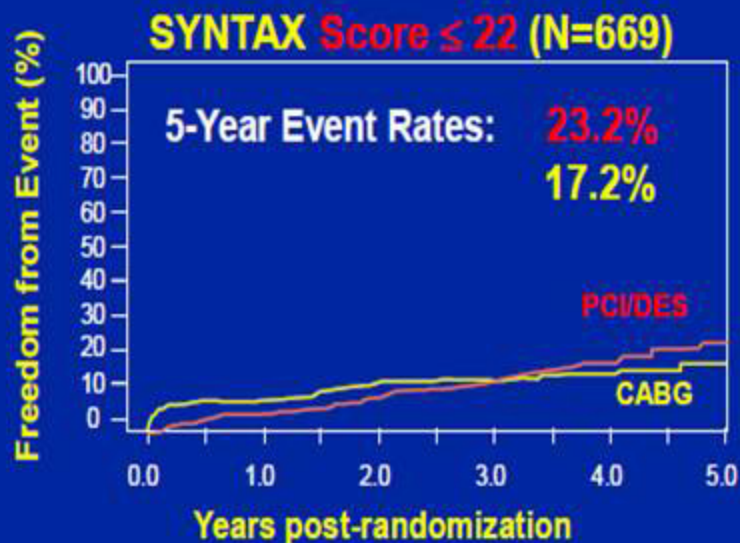
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PCI comparable to CABG

CABG

PRIMARY ENDPOINT – DEATH / STROKE / MI
TREATMENT / SYNTAX INTERACTION - $p=0.58$



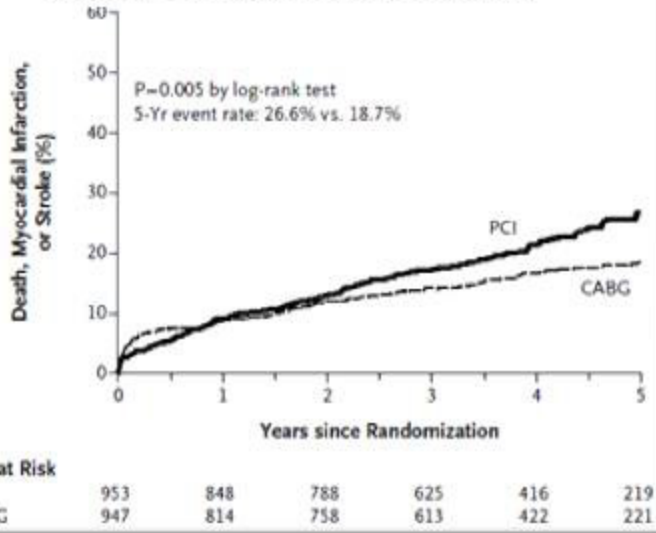
Strategies for Multivessel Revascularization in Patients with Diabetes

Michael E. Farkouh, N Engl J Med 2012;367:2375-84.



In patients with DM and MV CAD, CABG was superior to PCI by reducing rates of death and myocardial infarction with a higher rate of stroke

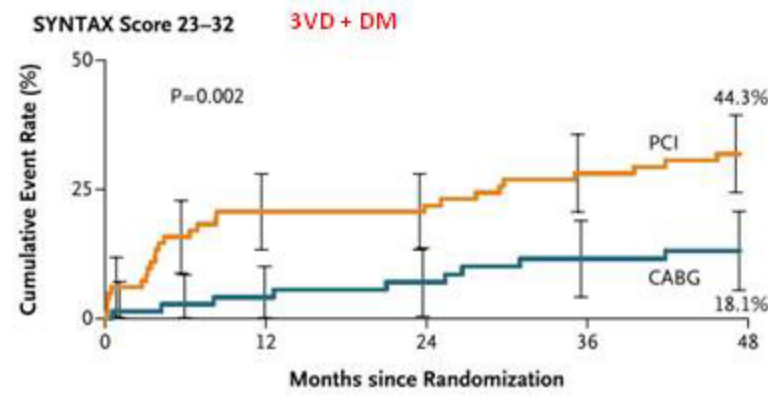
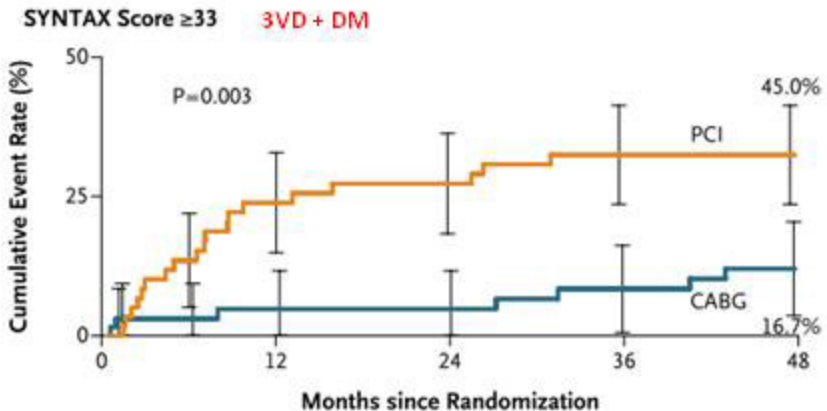
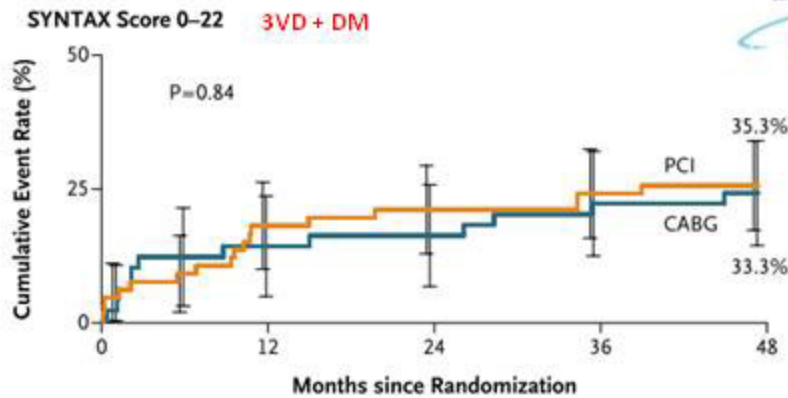
Primary Outcome: Death, Stroke, MI



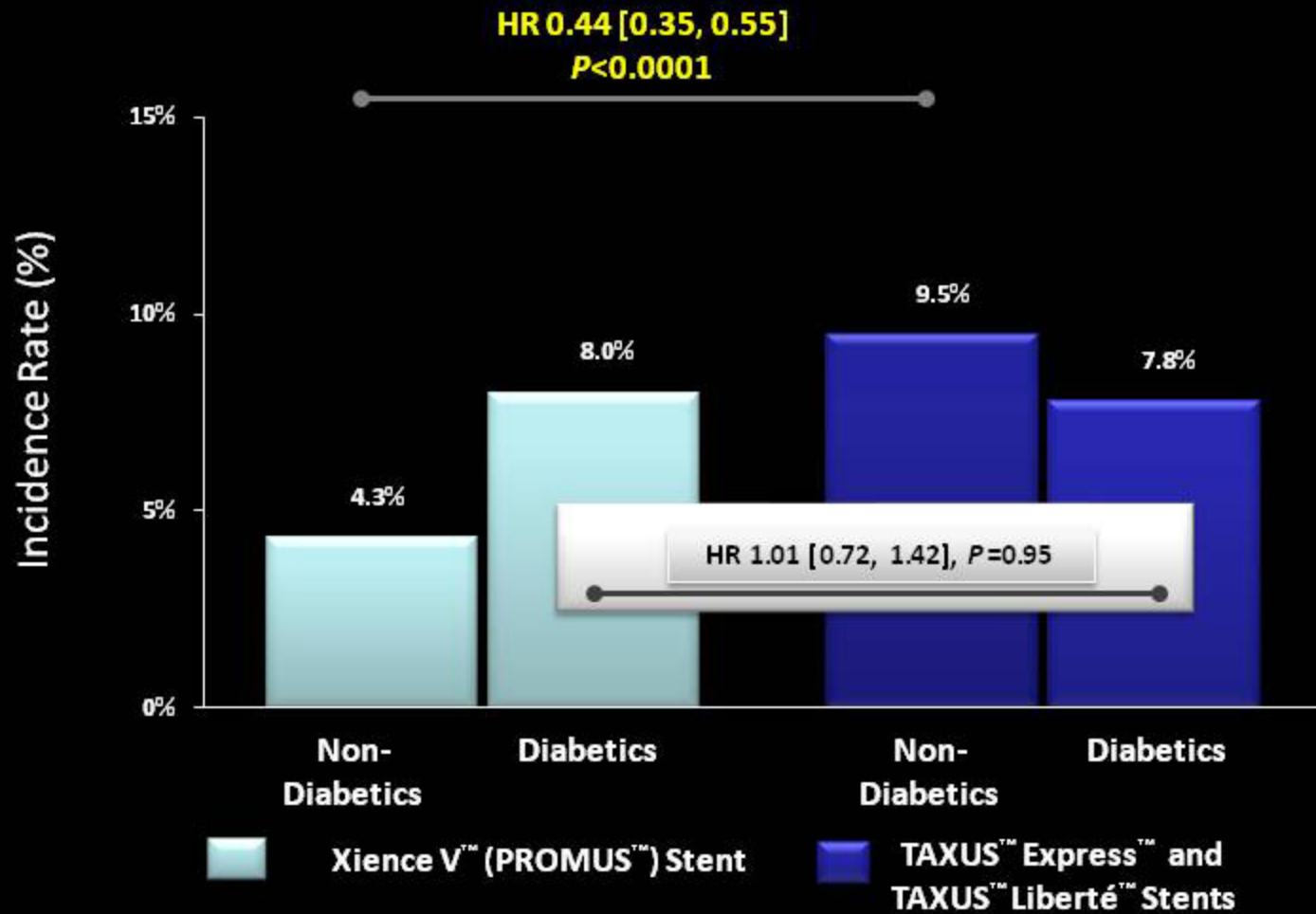
The Trial was Heavily Criticized...because not all 3VDs are similar...

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SPIRIT II, III, IV, and COMPARE Meta 12-Month MACE Results by Diabetic Status



Stone, G. TCT 2010



MACE = Cardiac Death, Target Vessel MI, Ischemia Driven TLR.
Overall non-diabetic n=3911 and diabetic n=1869. N by diabetic status and stent type not reported.

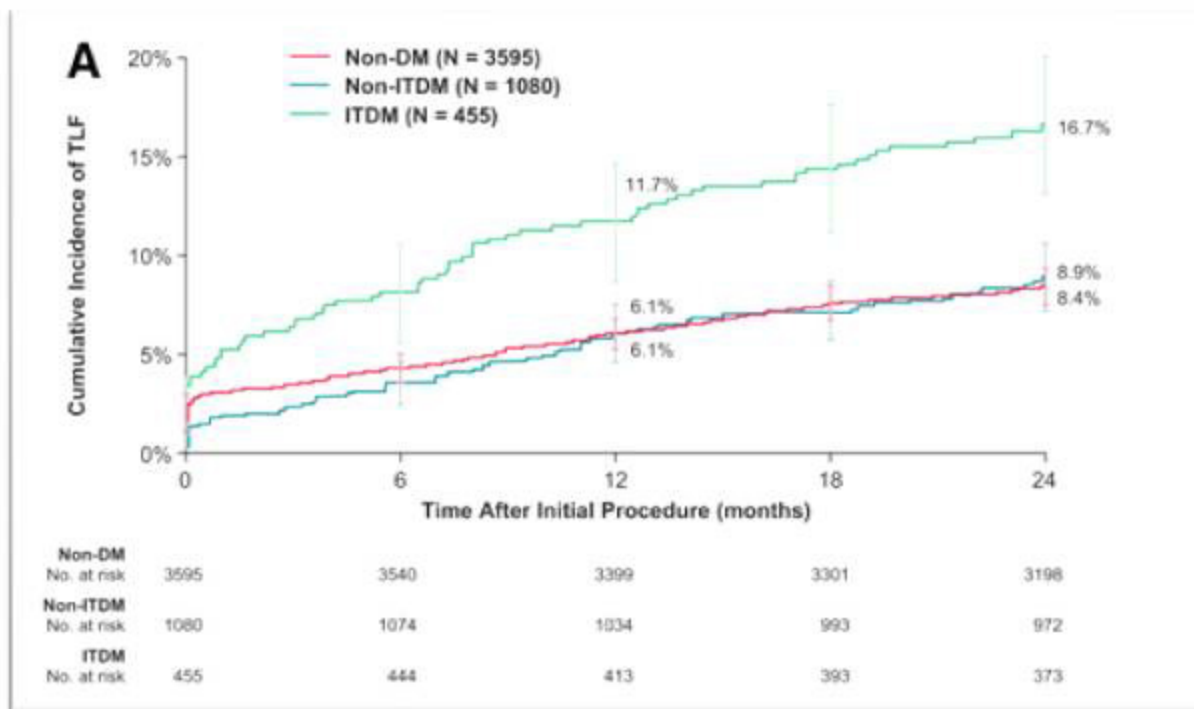


Clinical Outcome of Patients With and Without Diabetes Mellitus After Percutaneous Coronary Intervention With the Resolute Zotarolimus-Eluting Stent

2-Year Results From the Prospectively Pooled Analysis of the International Global RESOLUTE Program

Silber S. et al. JACC Cardiovasc Interv. 2013; 4(12):1310-7

The R-ZES is safe and effective in patients with DM
 Long-term clinical data of patients with noninsulin-treated DM are equivalent to patients without DM
 Patients with insulin-treated DM remain a higher risk subset.



Where are we going with Industry?



1. *Through a more relaxed pathway to innovation, some of the technology advances of the future will clearly come from other countries.*
2. *With Health Costs out of control in many Western countries (the United States being the poster child) the ability to deliver care at a fraction of the costs in Western countries will gain increased attention.*

FACTS:

1. The global market for coronary stent devices reached \$7.1 billion in 2011
2. By 2016 it is expected that total market value will reach \$10.6 billion
3. American Revenue: 40% share and is expected to grow by 8.9% (2016)
4. European Revenue: 37% share and is expected to grow by 5.2% (2016)

Data provided by BCC Research, 2013



Future Progress for DES :

Deliverable, Visible,
Trackable,
Conformable device



Reduced Polymer Load

- Abluminal polymer
- Bioerodable polymer
- No polymer

No stent thrombosis,
BMS like



Reduced Drug Load

Shortened DAPT
requirement



Stent Delivery System

- Stent material
- Thinner struts
- Stent geometry
- Surface coating

Low TLR, Low clinical
symptom recurrence



**...and there is still room for
Future progress & Innovation**