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# Angiography-Derived FFR for Bifurcation Lesions

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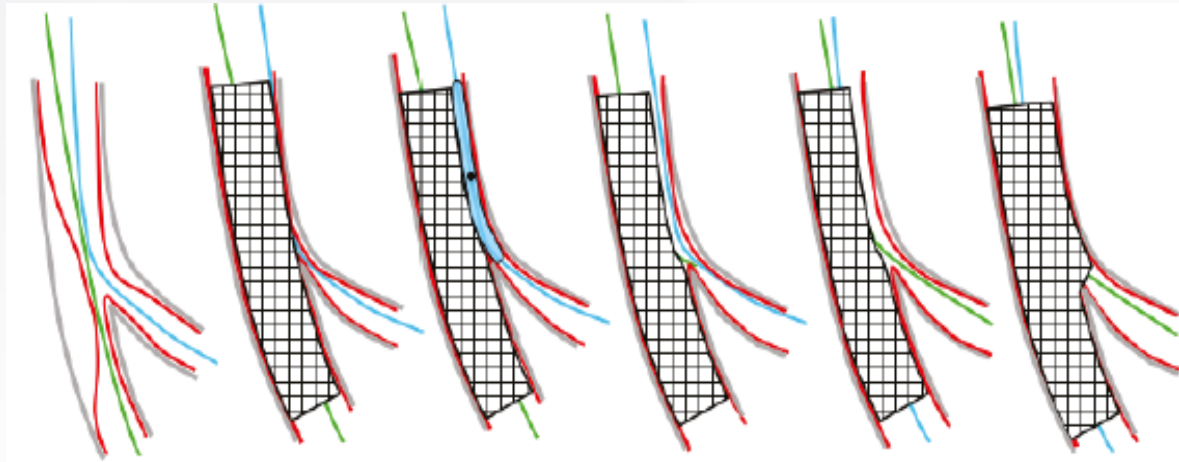
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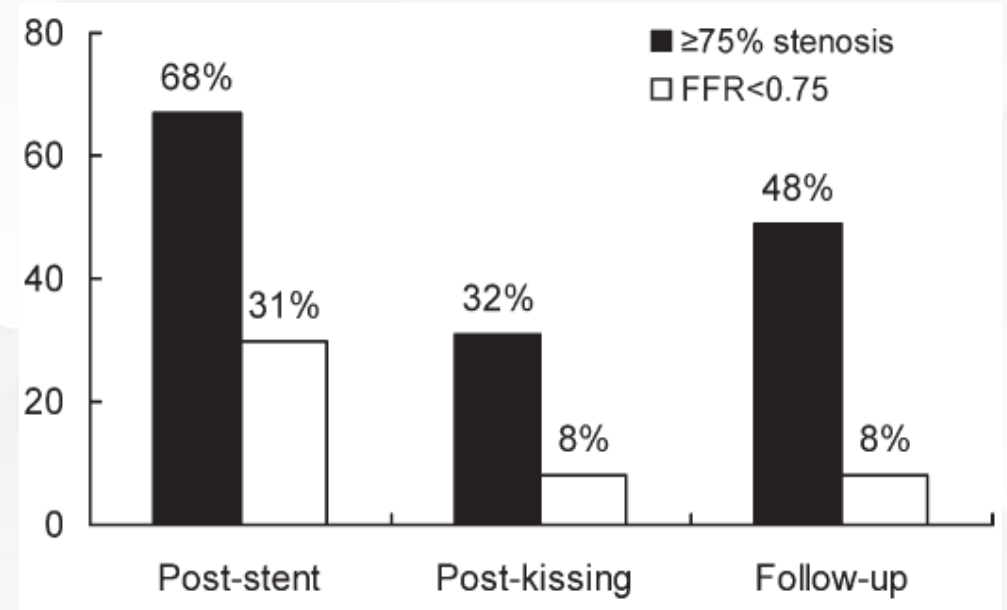
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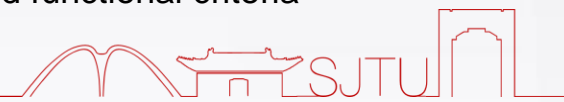
- There is big **mismatch** between angiographic severity and functional severity
- Jailed SB FFR after MV stenting could **define the functional significance** of SB lesions, **guide stenting strategy**, and **avoid unnecessary complex interventions**



FFR can be performed before and after MV stenting, and after bifurcation optimization, in both MV and SB



The percentage of SB lesions requiring further intervention according to angiographic and functional criteria

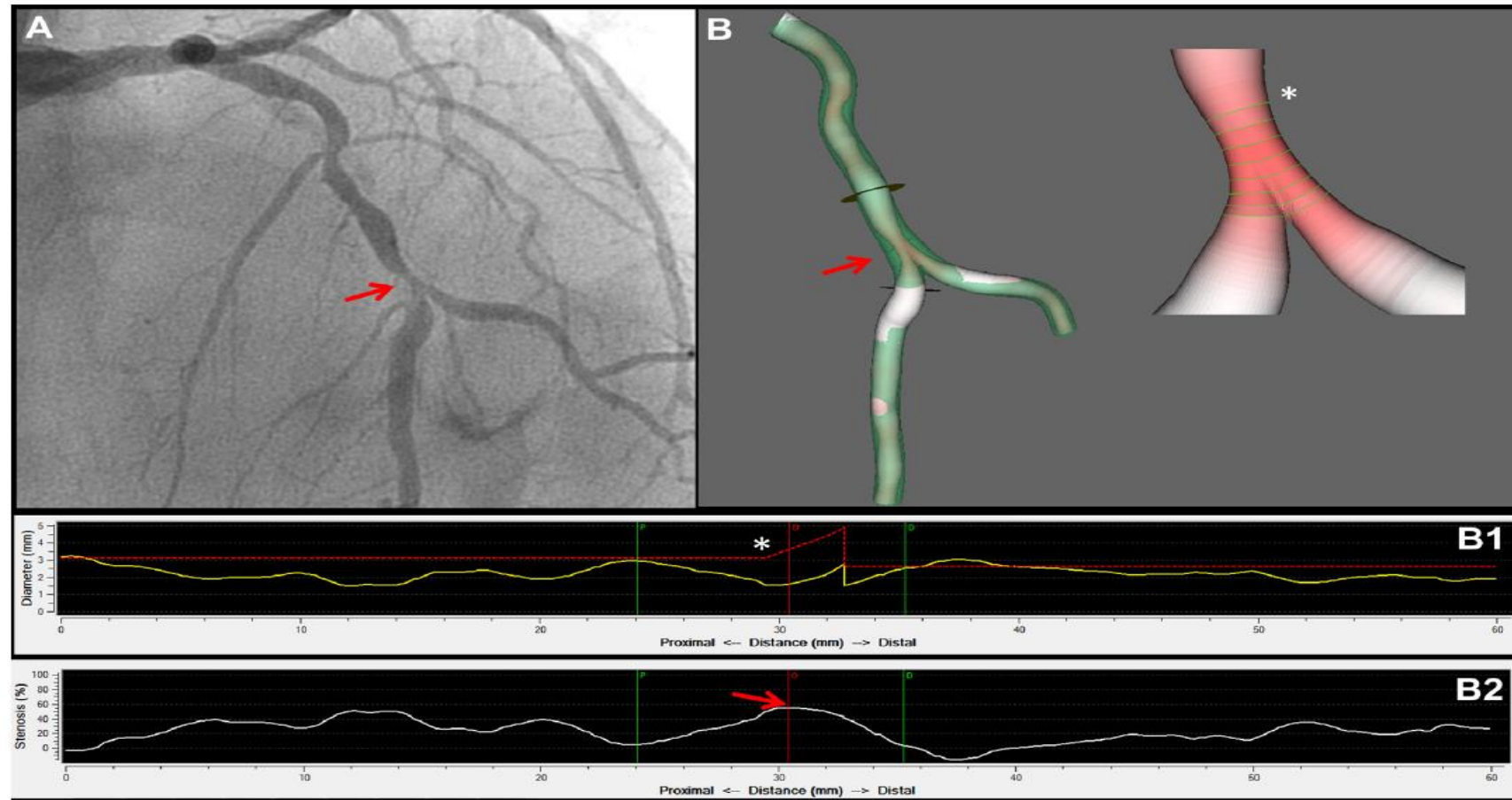




# A New Bifurcation Model to Quantify Stenosis Severity

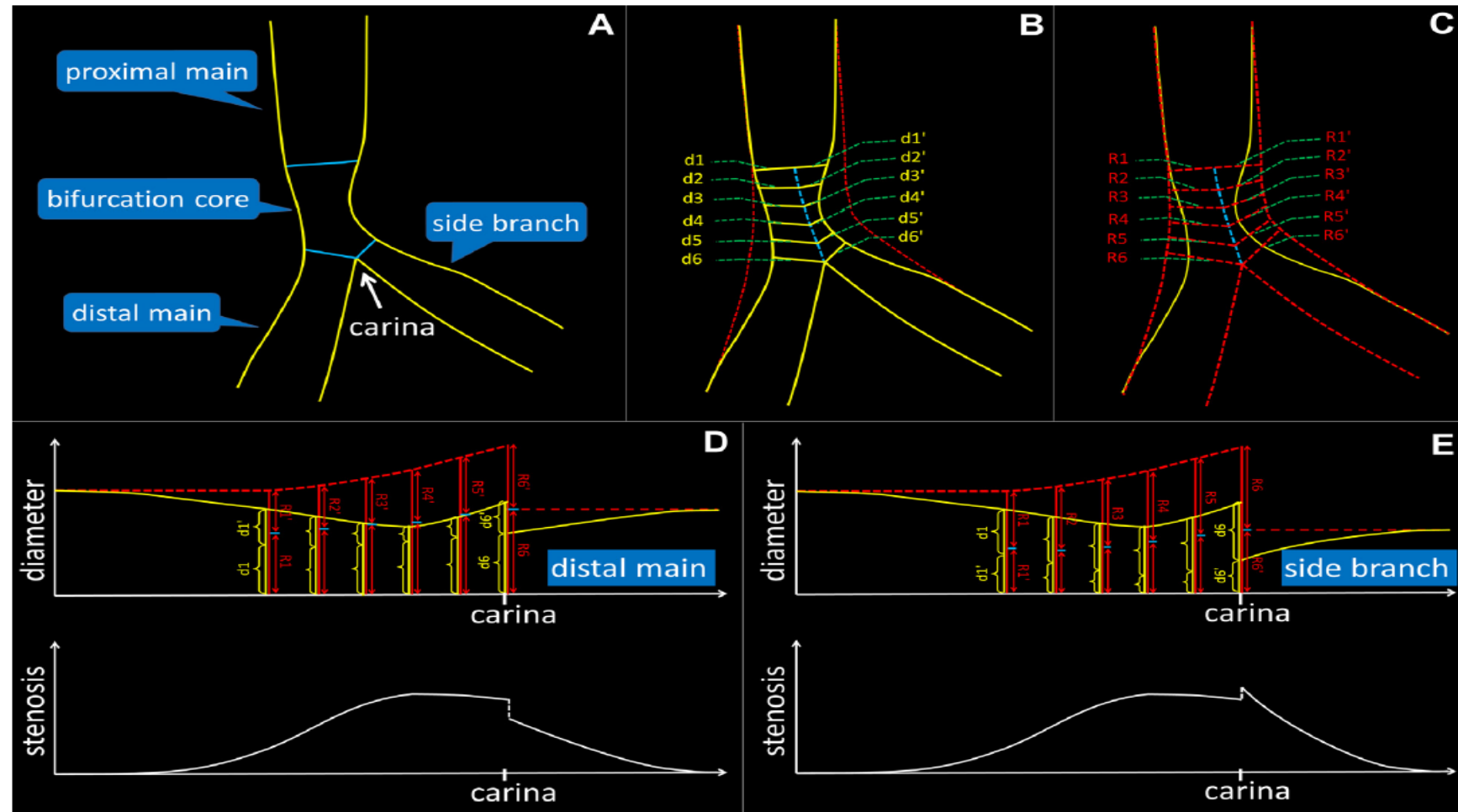


**FIGURE 2** In Vivo Assessment of Stenosis Severity in Bifurcation Lesions By the New Bifurcation Model



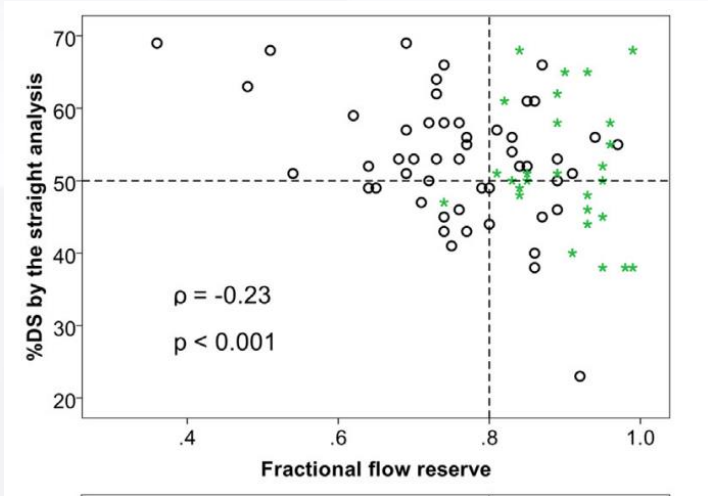
# A New Bifurcation Model to Quantify Stenosis Severity

**FIGURE 1** A New Quantitative Model for Assessing Bifurcation Lesions





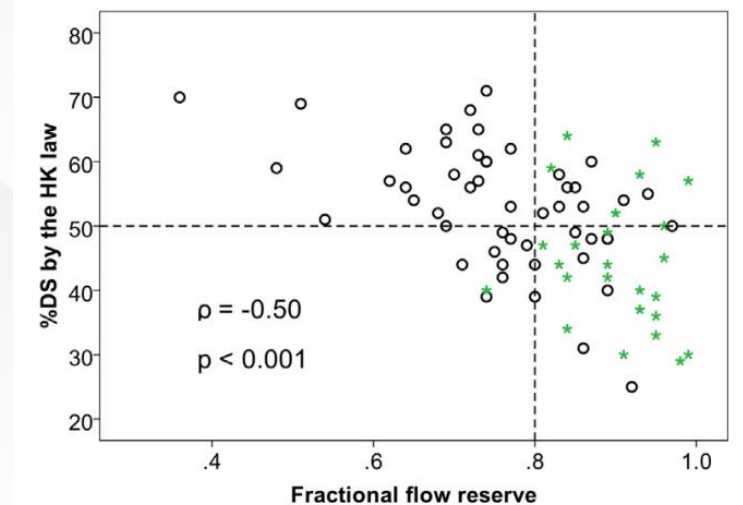
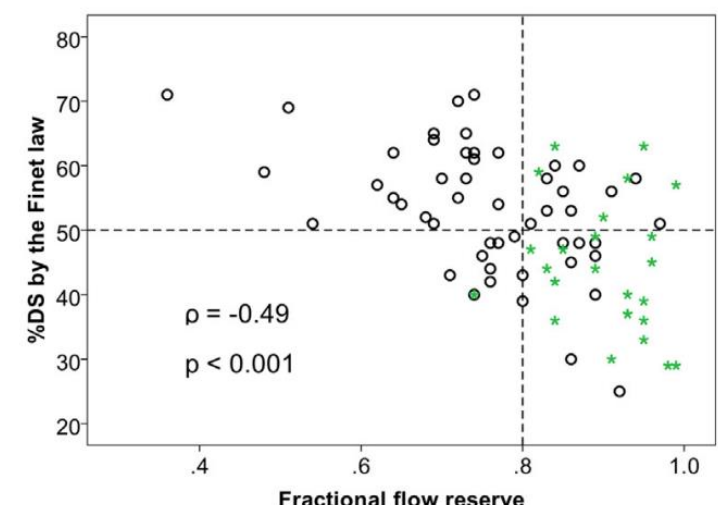
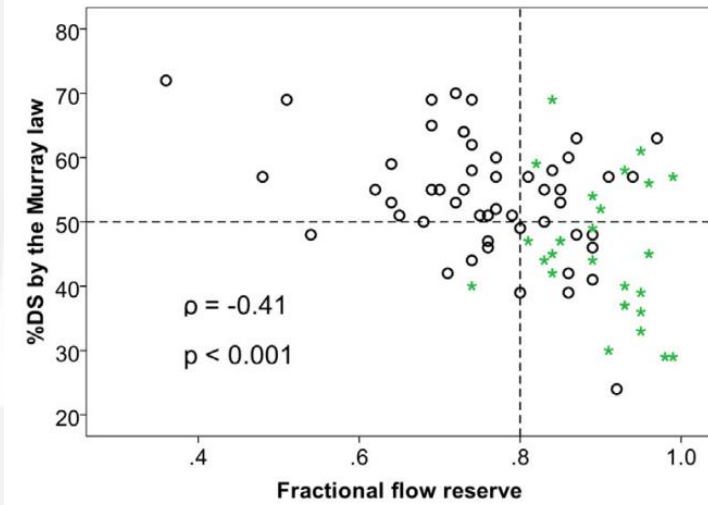
# Anatomical and Functional Discrepancy



○ Main vessel  
★ Side branch

**TABLE 5 Diagnostic Performance of 3-Dimensional Quantitative Coronary Angiography**

	<b>DS%HK ≥50%</b>	<b>DS%HK ≥56%</b>	<b>MLD ≤1.35 mm</b>	<b>MLA ≤1.70 mm<sup>2</sup></b>
Accuracy	64 (53-75)	68 (57-79)	62 (50-73)	67 (56-77)
Sensitivity	68 (50-83)	53 (35-80)	79 (62-91)	76 (59-89)
Specificity	61 (46-76)	80 (65-90)	48 (33-63)	59 (43-74)
PPV	58 (41-73)	67 (46-84)	54 (39-68)	59 (43-74)
NPV	71 (54-83)	69 (54-81)	75 (55-89)	77 (59-89)

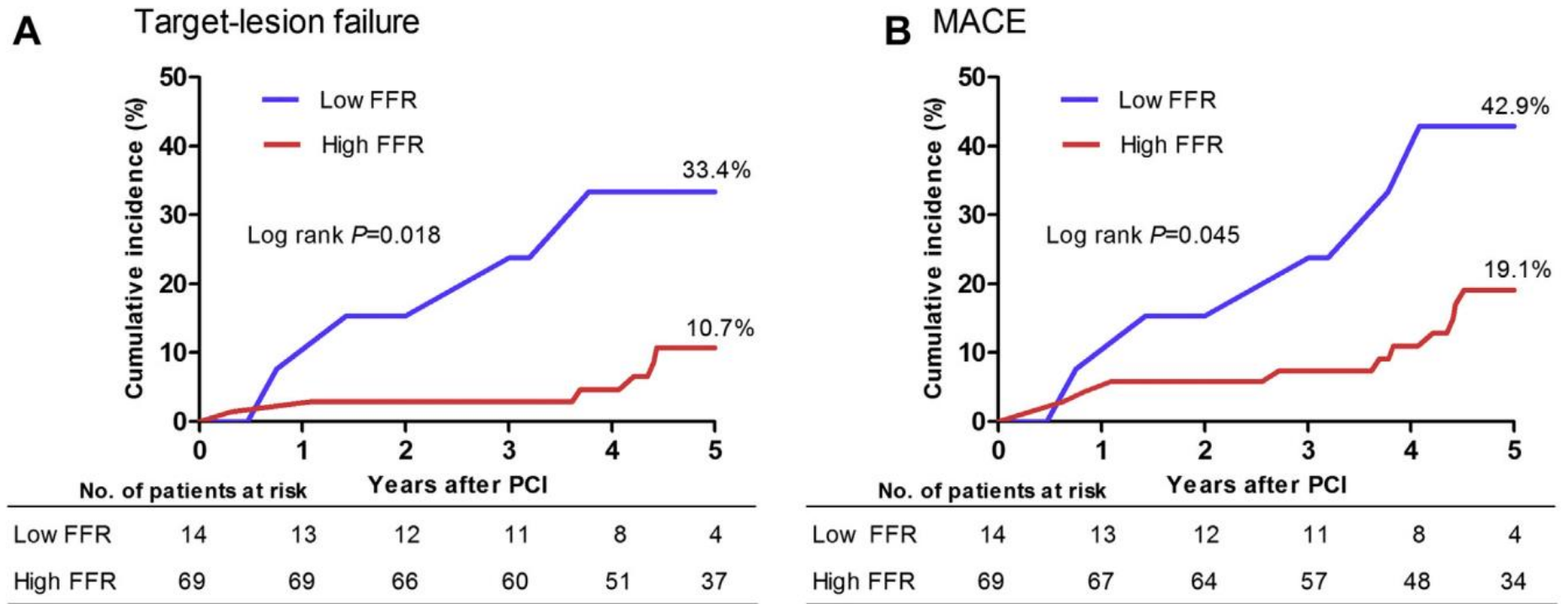




# FFR in Bifurcation Lesions: A Matter of Gain and Risk



- Final jailed SB FFR is associated long-term clinical outcomes



Unadjusted 5-year event rate according to FFR in LCx after LM simple crossover stenting

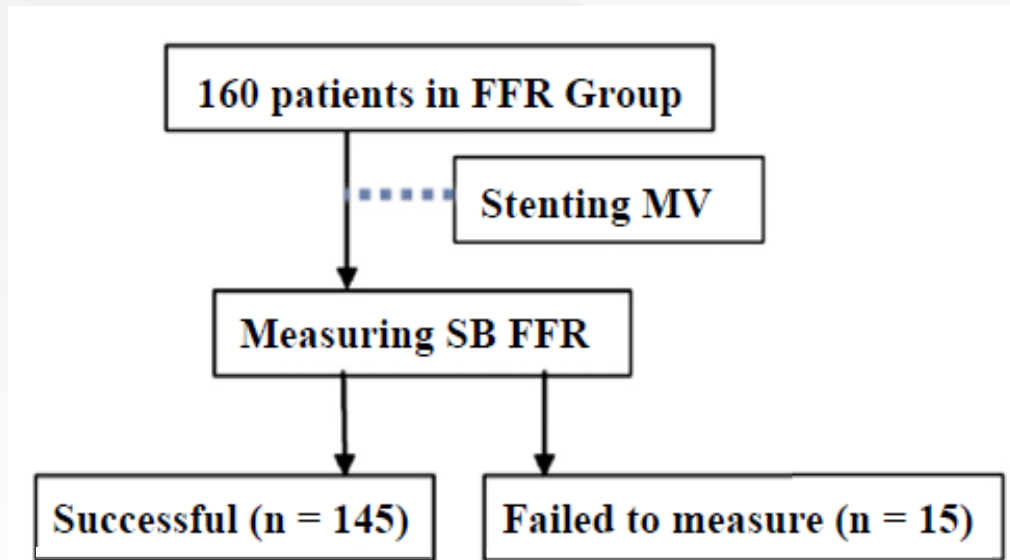




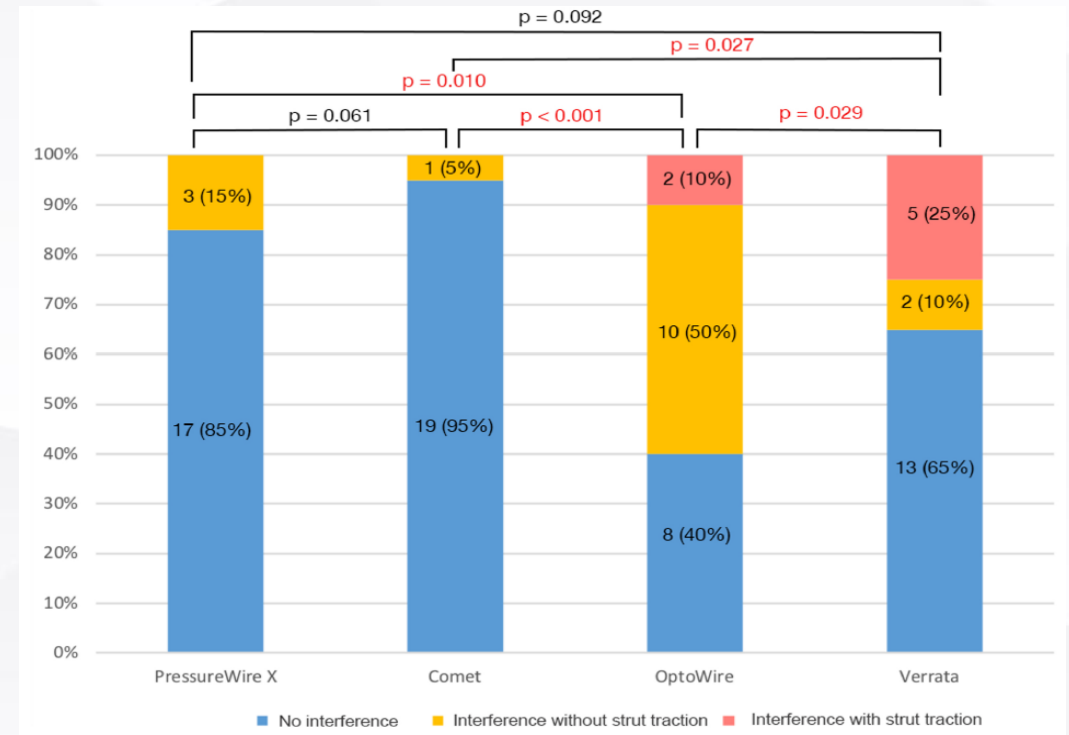
# FFR in Bifurcation Lesions: A Matter of Gain and Risk



- **Technically difficult** for jailed SB FFR assessment after MV crossover stenting
- **Safety concern** (potential damage in both pressure wire and stent strut)



SB FFR in up to 9.4% lesions could not be measured despite KBI using a 1.2-mm SB balloon



Differences in interference with pressure-wires between stent strut



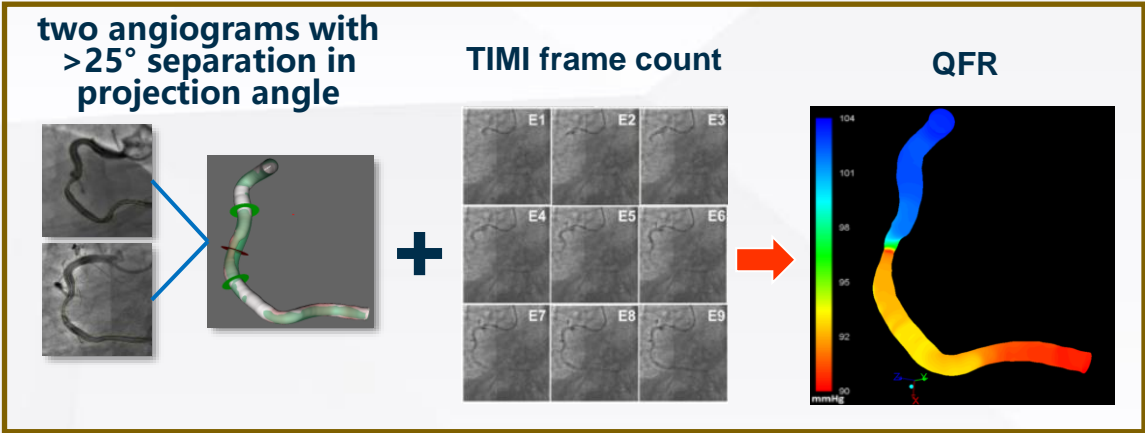




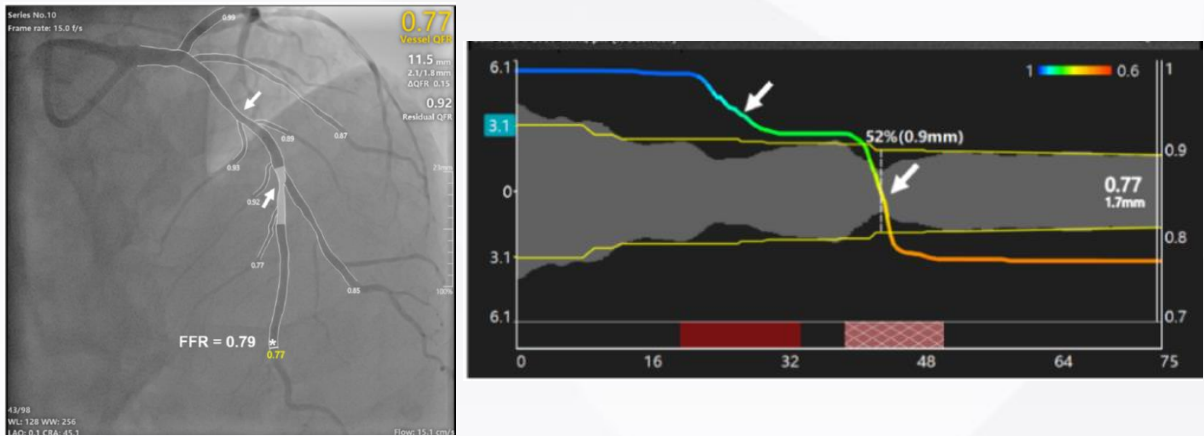
# Angiography-Derived Quantitative Flow Ratio (QFR)



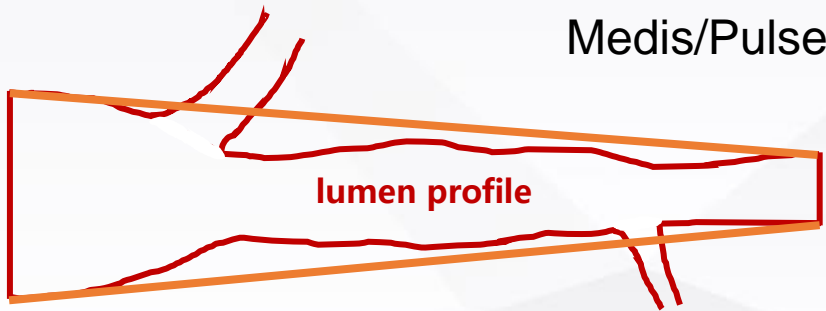
## First generation QFR



## Second generation $\mu$ QFR/ $\mu$ FR

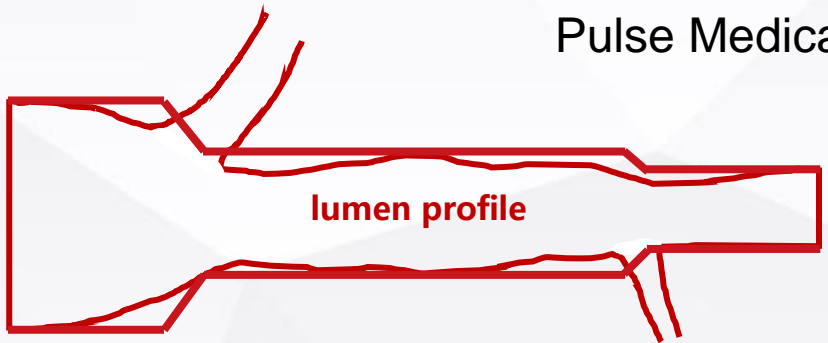


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Tapering reference lumen

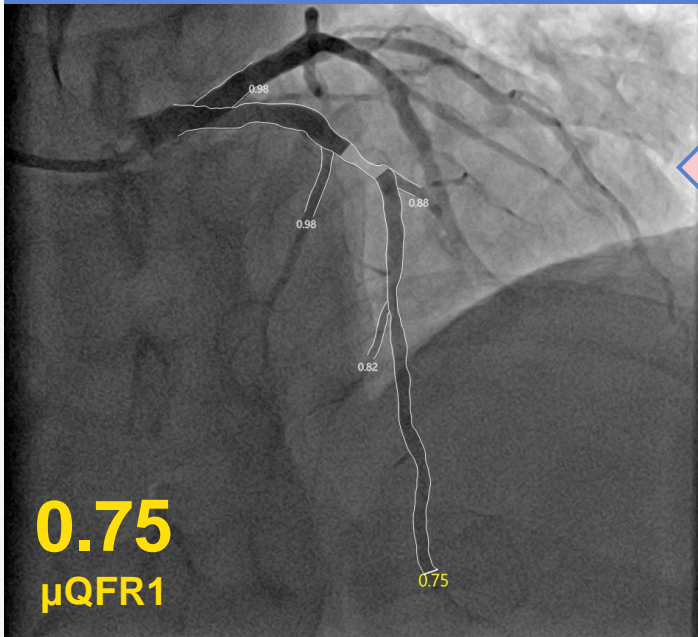
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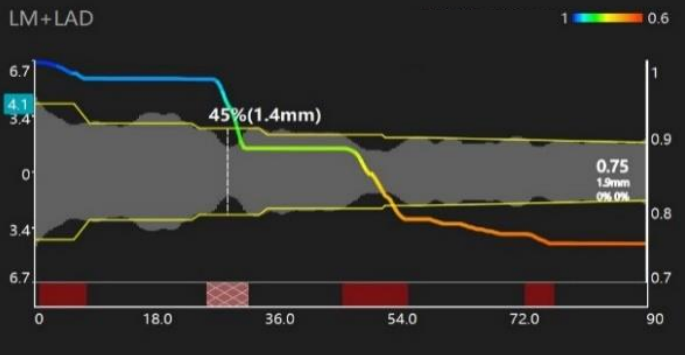
Reference lumen with step-down across bifurcations



## $\mu$ QFR1



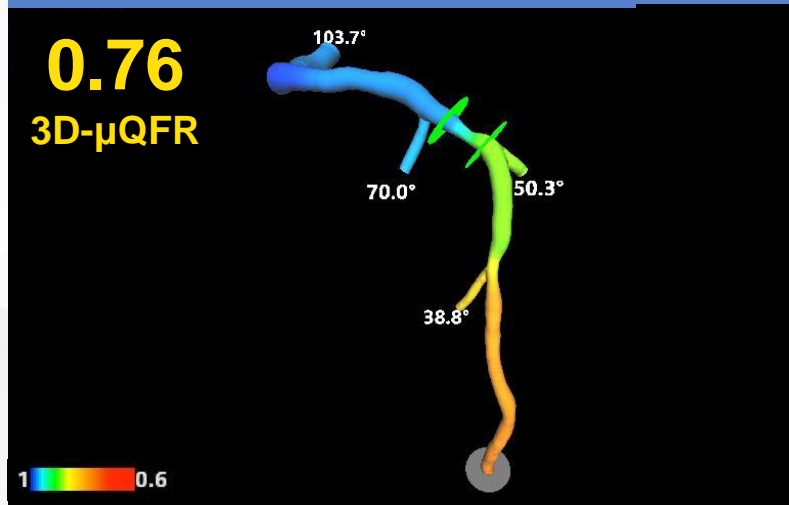
**0.75**  
 $\mu$ QFR1



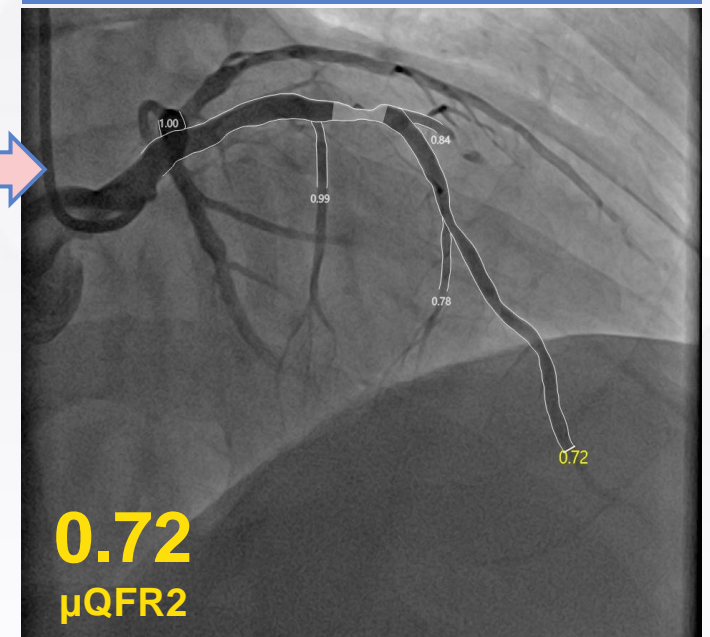
## 2 recommended projections



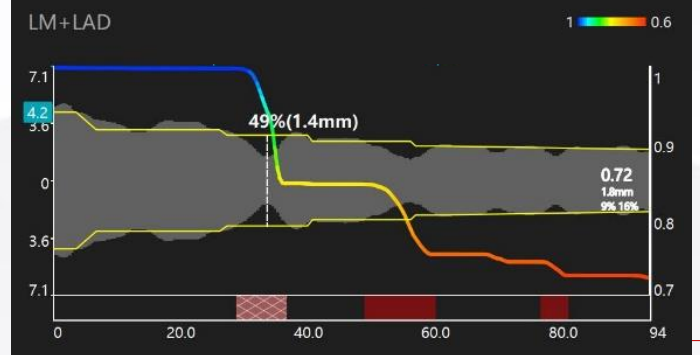
## 3D- $\mu$ QFR



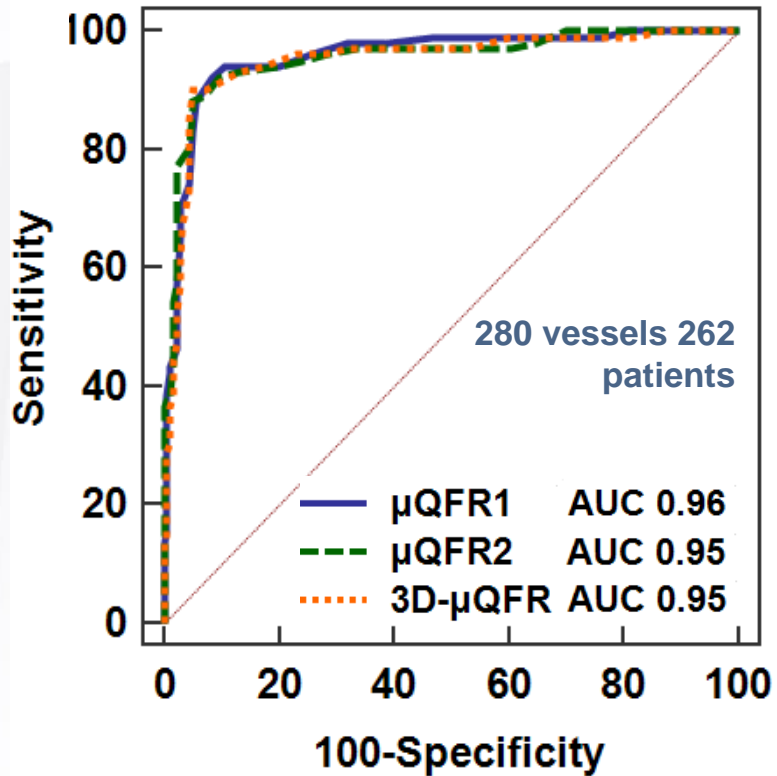
## $\mu$ QFR2



**0.72**  
 $\mu$ QFR2



## FFR $\leq 0.80$ as reference



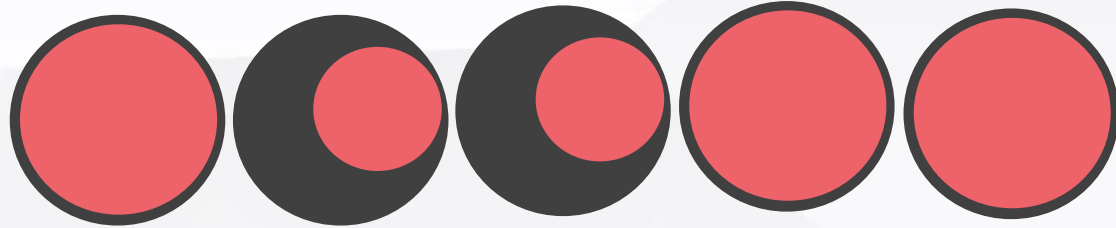
	$\mu$ QFR1 $\leq 0.80$	$\mu$ QFR2 $\leq 0.80$	3D- $\mu$ QFR $\leq 0.80$
<b>Accuracy %</b>	<b>92.1 (89.0, 95.3)</b>	<b>92.5 (89.4, 95.6)</b>	<b>93.2 (90.3, 96.2)</b>
Sensitivity %	88.1 (80.2, 93.7)	88.1 (80.2, 93.7)	90.1 (82.5, 93.7)
Specificity %	94.4 (90.0, 97.3)	95.0 (90.7, 97.7)	95.0 (90.7, 97.7)
PPV %	89.9 (82.2, 95.0)	90.8 (83.3, 95.7)	91.0 (83.6, 95.8)
NPV %	93.4 (88.7, 96.5)	93.4 (88.8, 96.5)	94.4 (90.0, 97.3)
+LR	15.8 (8.6, 28.9)	17.5 (9.2, 33.3)	17.9 (9.4, 34.0)
-LR	0.13 (0.07, 0.2)	0.13 (0.07, 0.2)	0.10 (0.06, 0.2)
AUC	0.96 (0.93, 0.98)	0.95 (0.92, 0.98)	0.95 (0.92, 0.97)

**Single-view  $\mu$ QFR and two-view 3D- $\mu$ QFR had comparable accuracy**

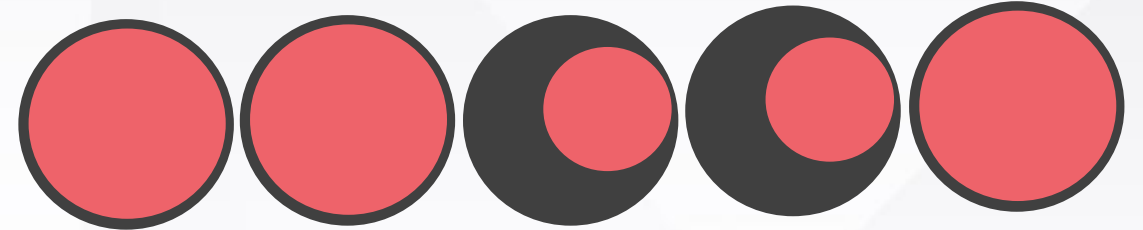
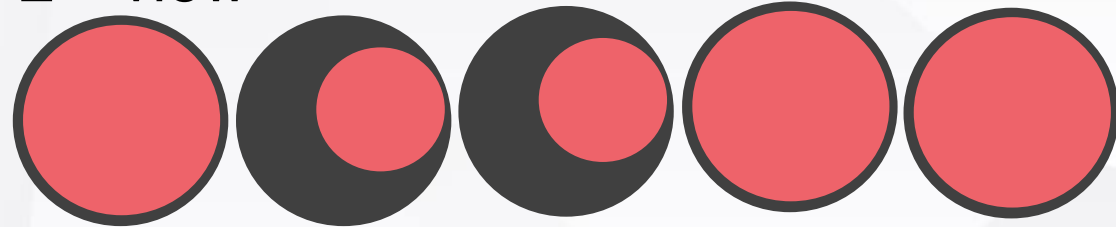


## Eccentric Lesion, but Symmetric Lumen

1<sup>st</sup> view



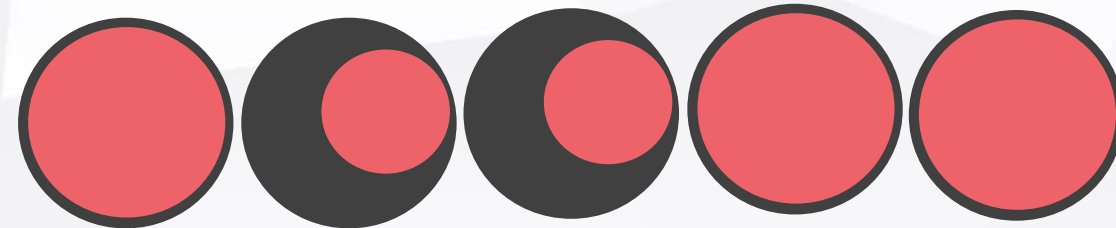
2<sup>nd</sup> view



3D



perfect co-registration



imperfect co-registration

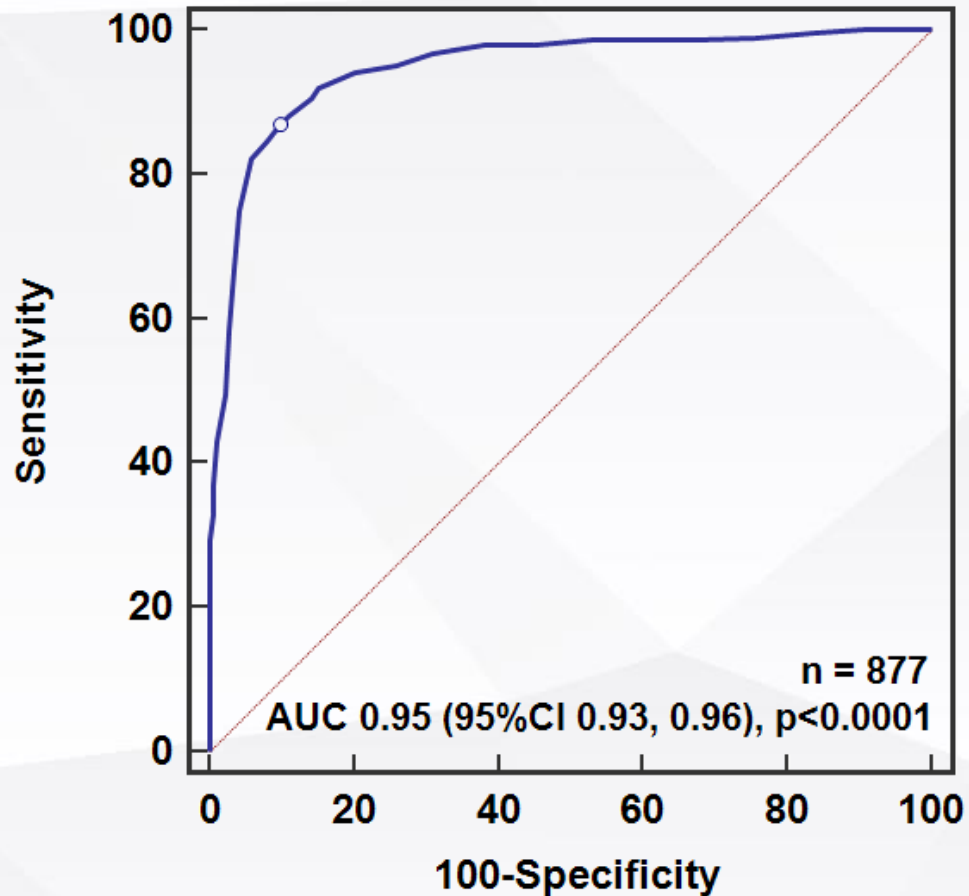




# Diagnostic Performance of $\mu$ QFR



797 patients, 877 vessels (feasibility 95.4%) with paired  $\mu$ QFR and FFR core lab, blinded analysis using the FLAVOUR\* study population



Pre-PCI $\mu$ QFR $\leq 0.80$	
Accuracy %	90 (88, 92)
Sensitivity %	82 (77, 86)
Specificity %	94 (92, 96)
PPV %	87 (83, 91)
NPV %	92 (89, 94)
+LR	14.3 (10.3, 19.9)
-LR	0.19 (0.1, 0.2)
AUC	0.95 (0.93, 0.96)

Pre-PCI FFR  $\leq 0.80$  as reference

\* Koo et al. N Engl J Med 2022;387:779-89

Ding et al, Manuscript under review



## Offline post-PCI $\mu$ QFR assessment

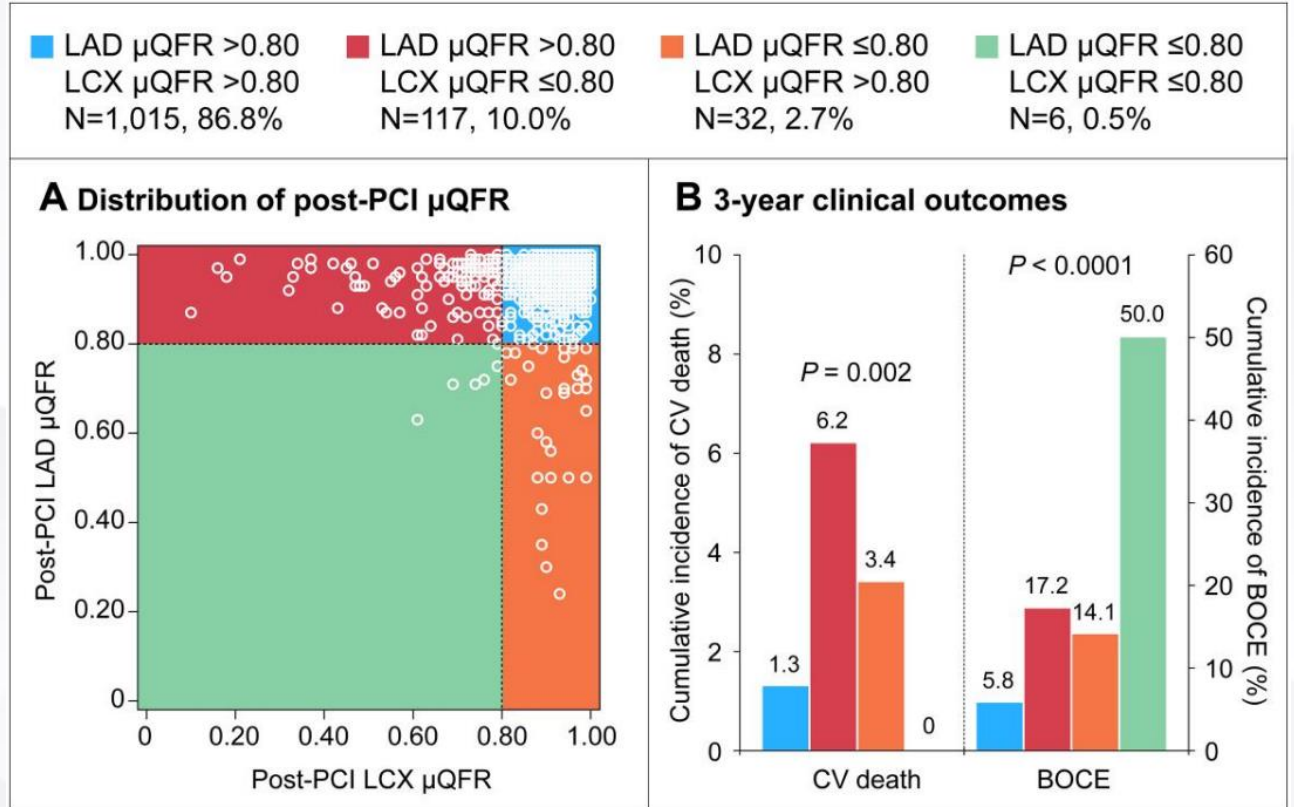
Post-PCI LAD  $\mu$ QFR



Post-PCI LCx  $\mu$ QFR

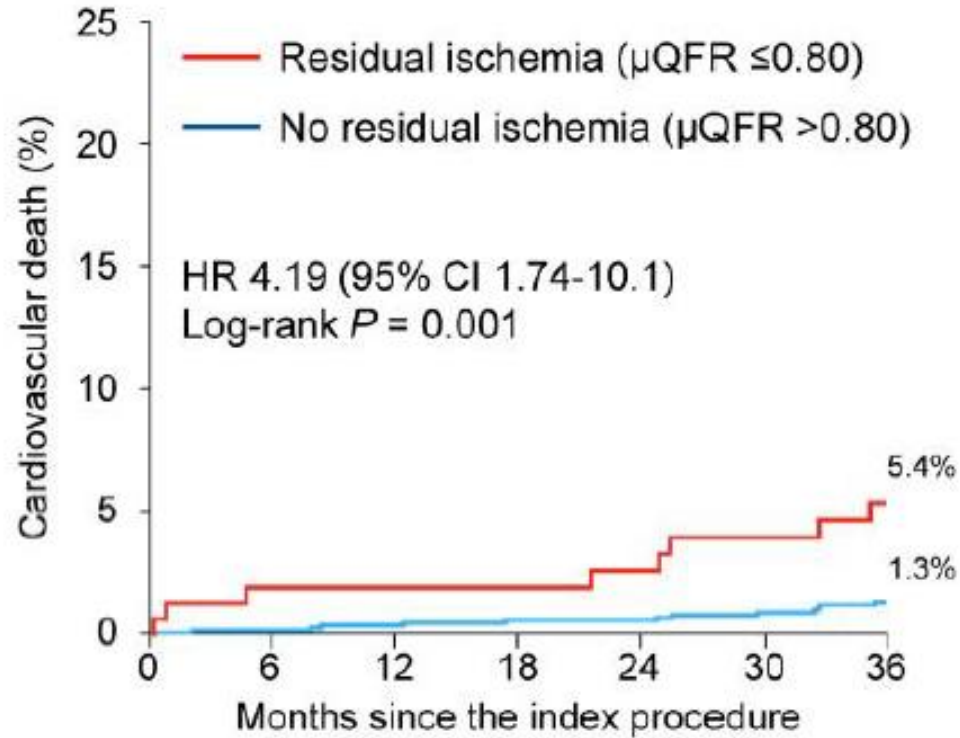


Post-PCI residual ischemia was detected in 155 (13.2%) patients after LMB PCI

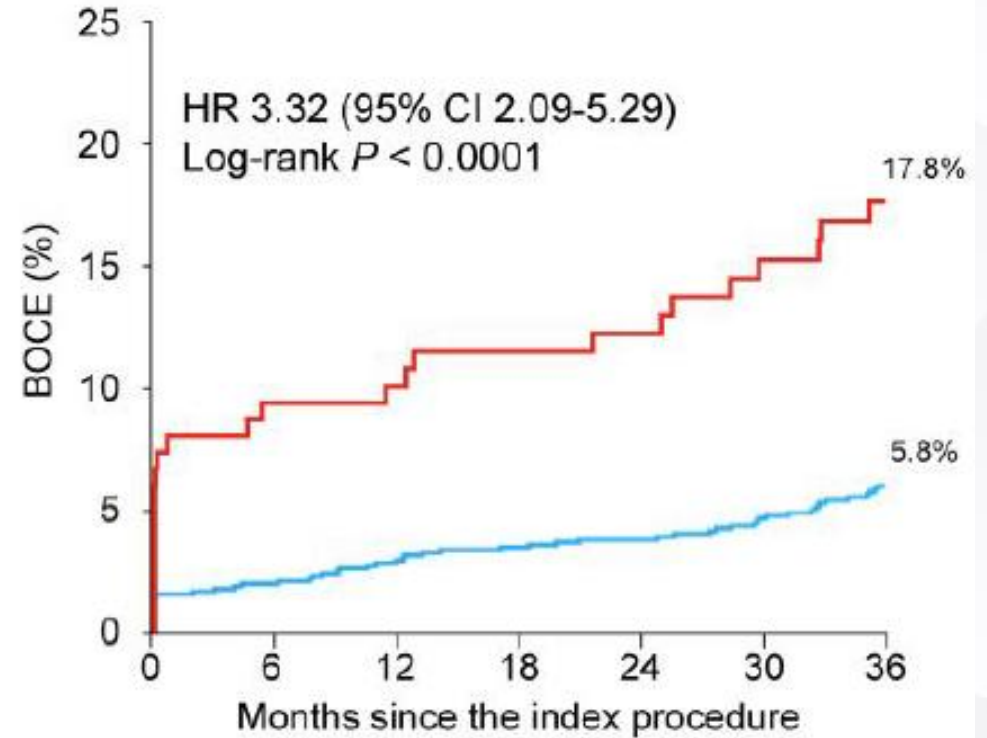




## Time-To-Event Curves For 3-Year Clinical Outcomes



No. at risk		0	6	12	18	24	30	36
Ischemia		155	152	150	148	146	137	131
No ischemia		1,015	1,008	1,003	983	978	952	939

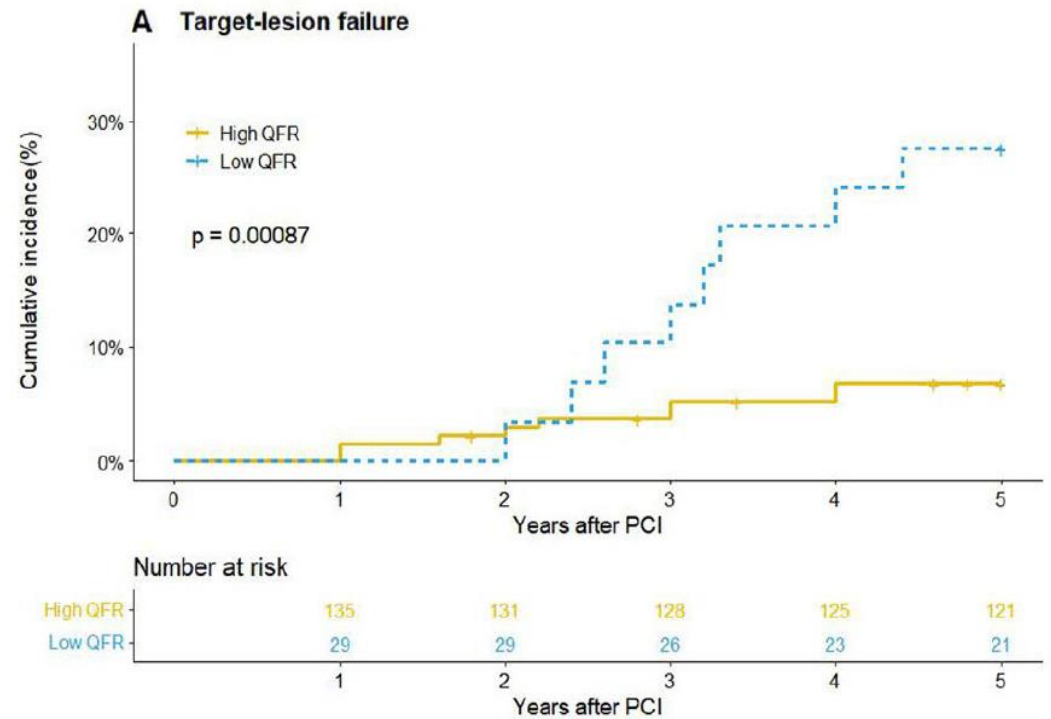
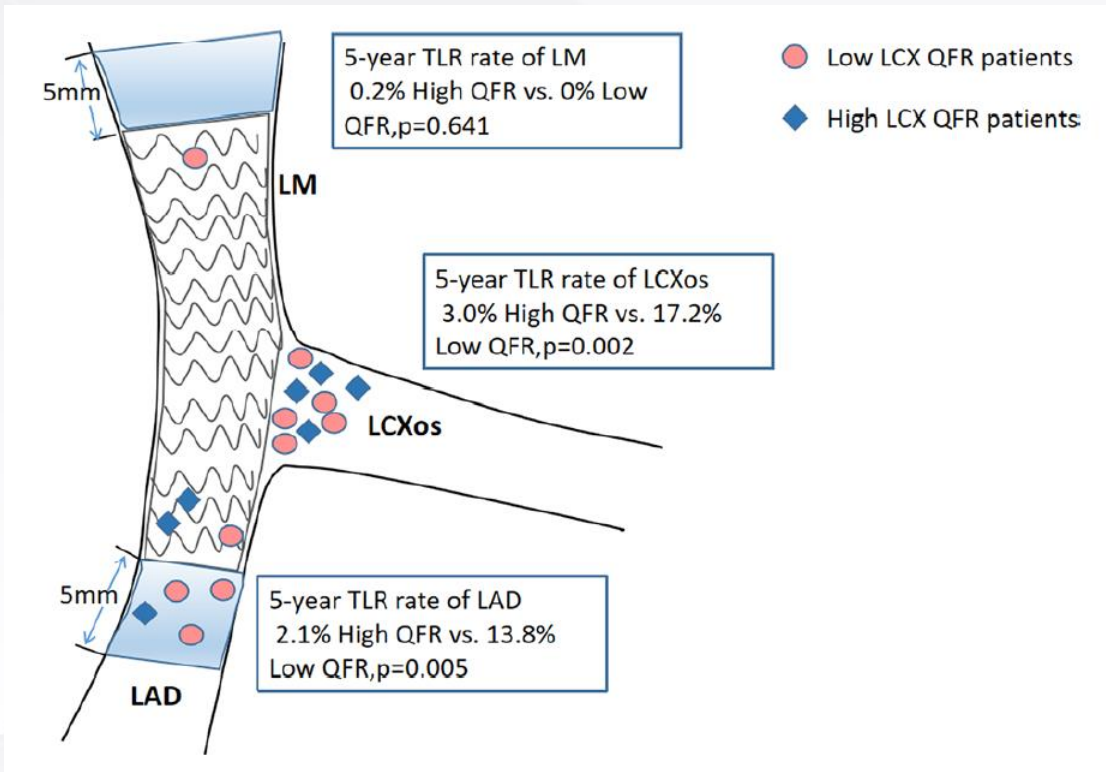


No. at risk		0	6	12	18	24	30	36
Ischemia		155	138	134	128	126	116	109
No ischemia		1,015	978	961	932	922	890	869





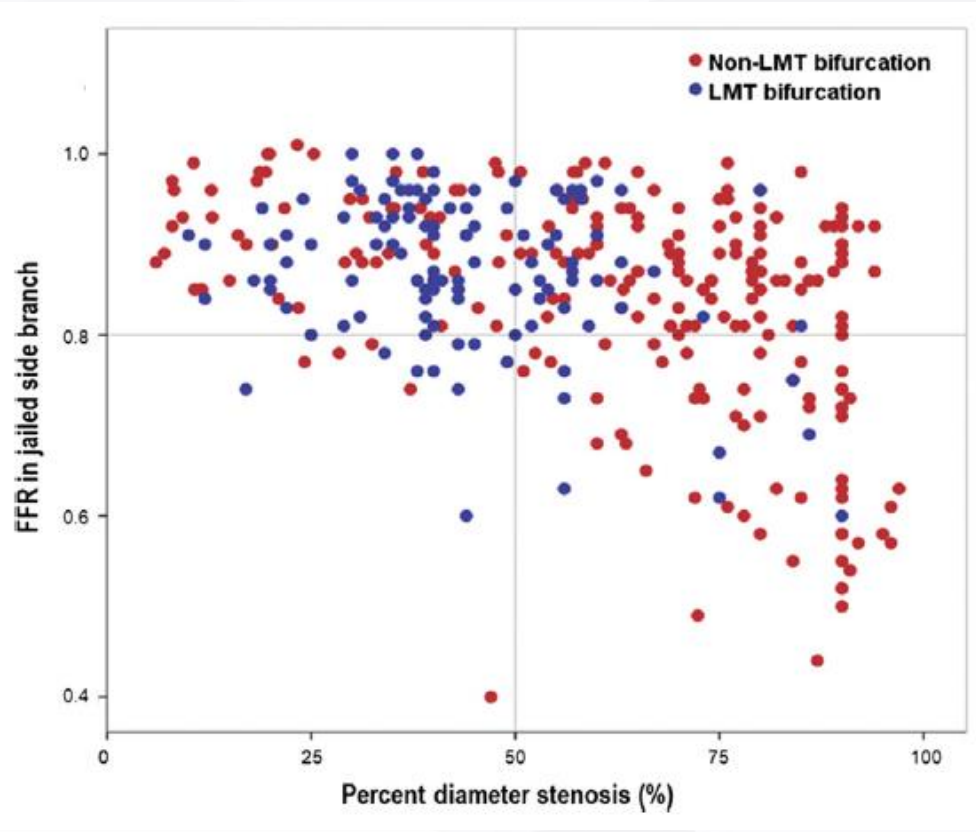
- LMB lesions receiving LM-LAD crossover stenting
- Post-PCI low QFR was defined as  $\mu$ QFR < 0.80 and the primary endpoint was 5-year TLF



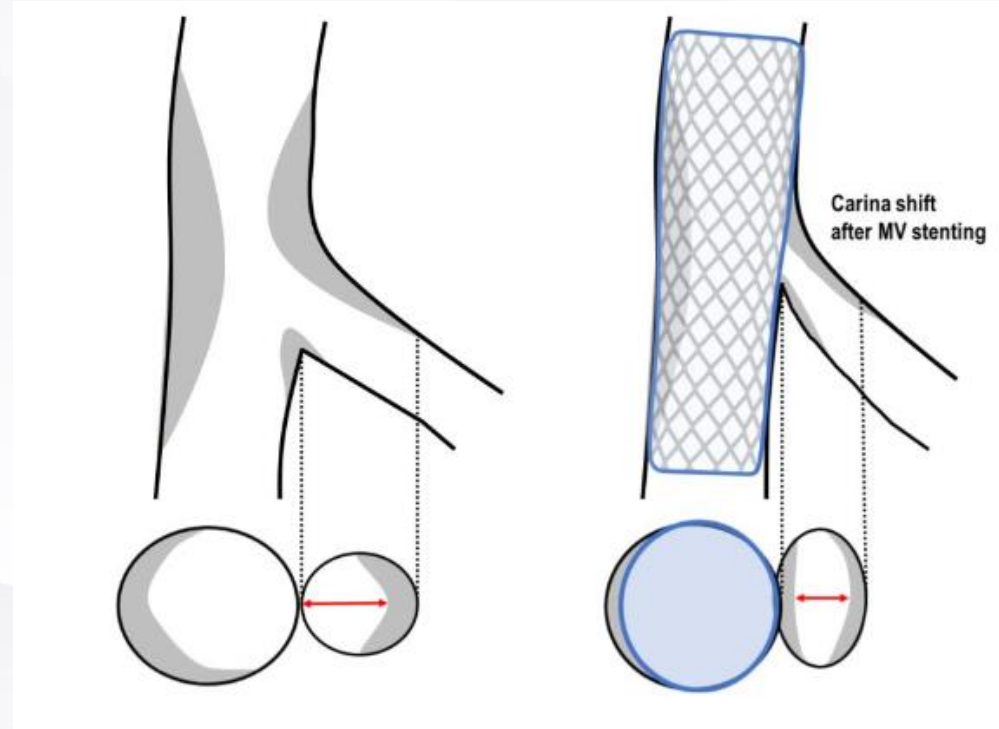




# Limitations of Angiography-Based Lumen Assessment



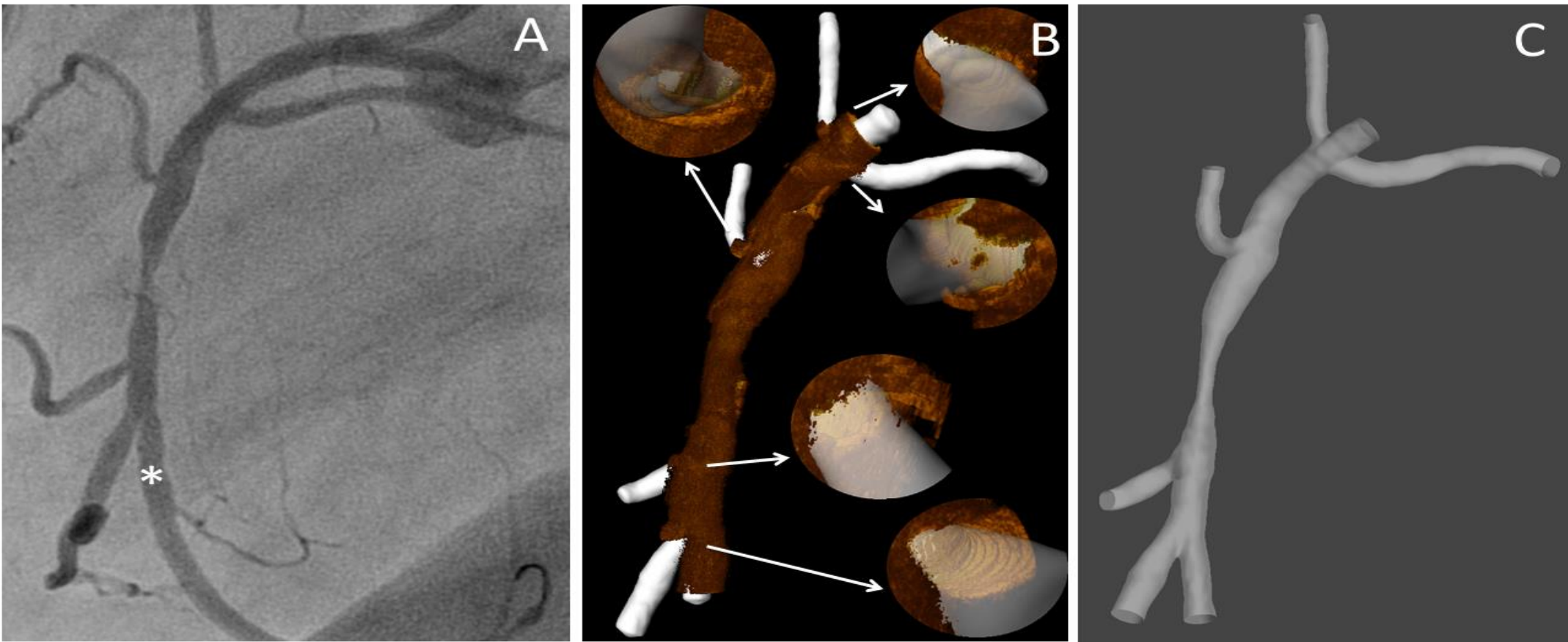
Discordance between angiographic DS% and FFR in jailed SB



The major mechanism could be **carina shift**; other mechanisms included plaque shift and suboptimal angiographic imaging.



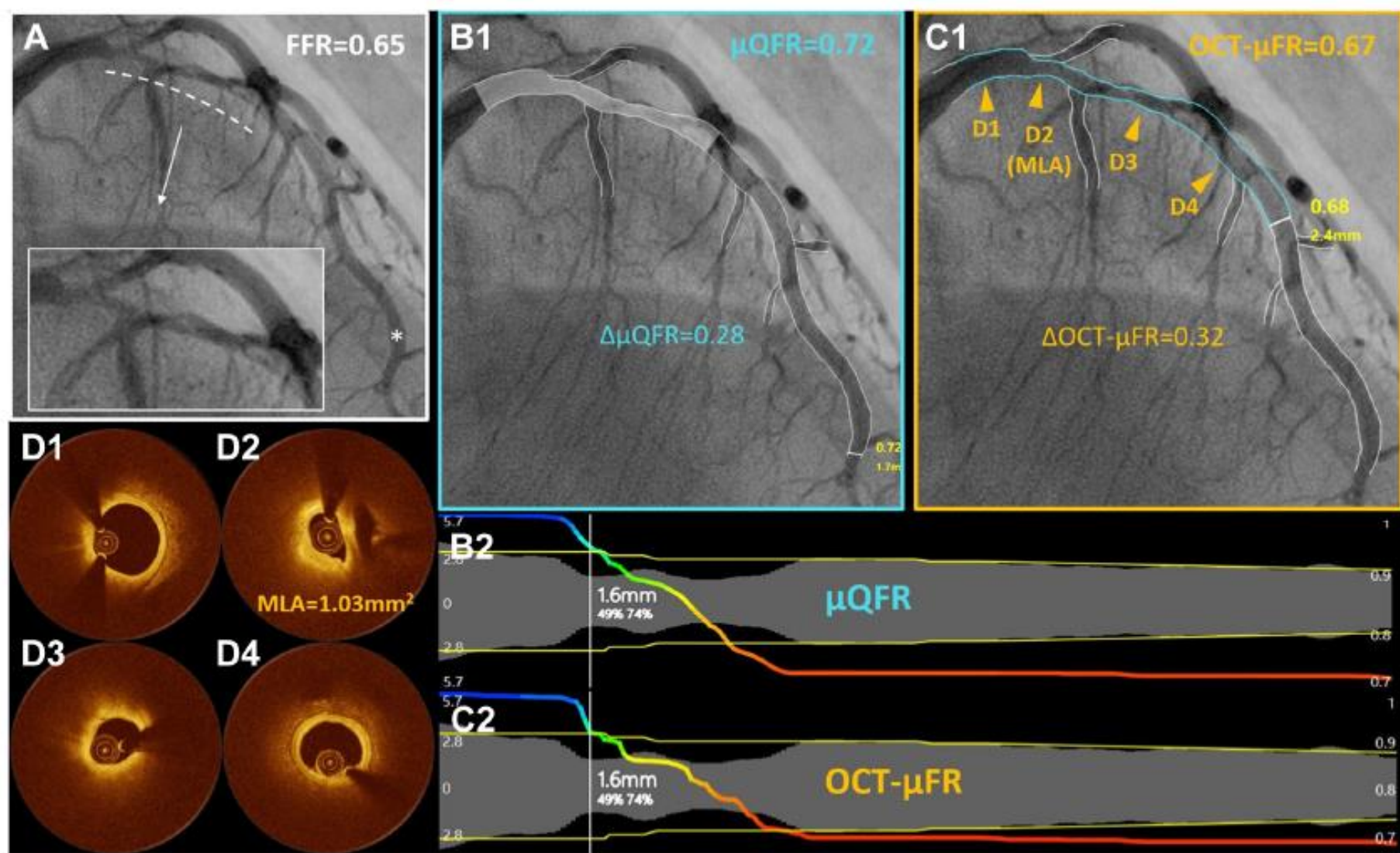
## Coronary Tree Reconstruction



3D QCA (side branches) + OCT (main vessel) = Tree Model

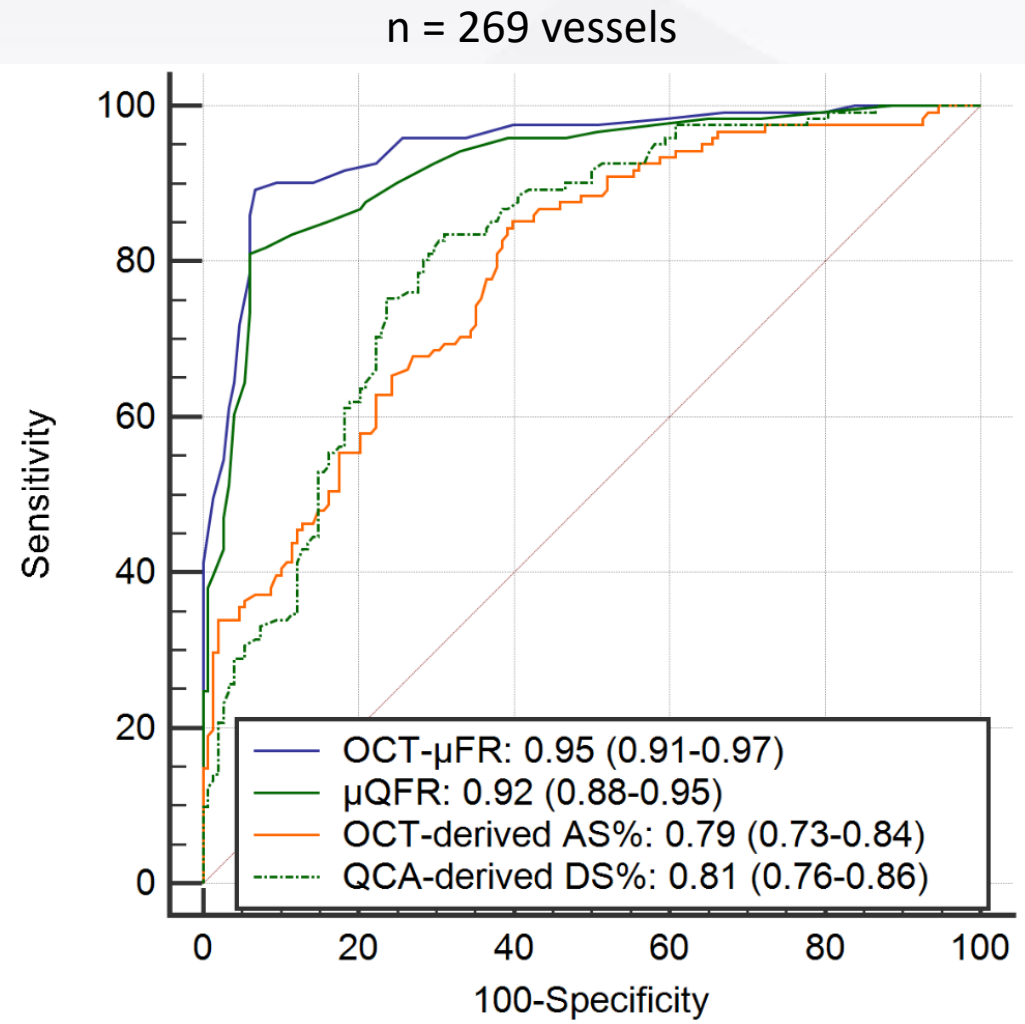
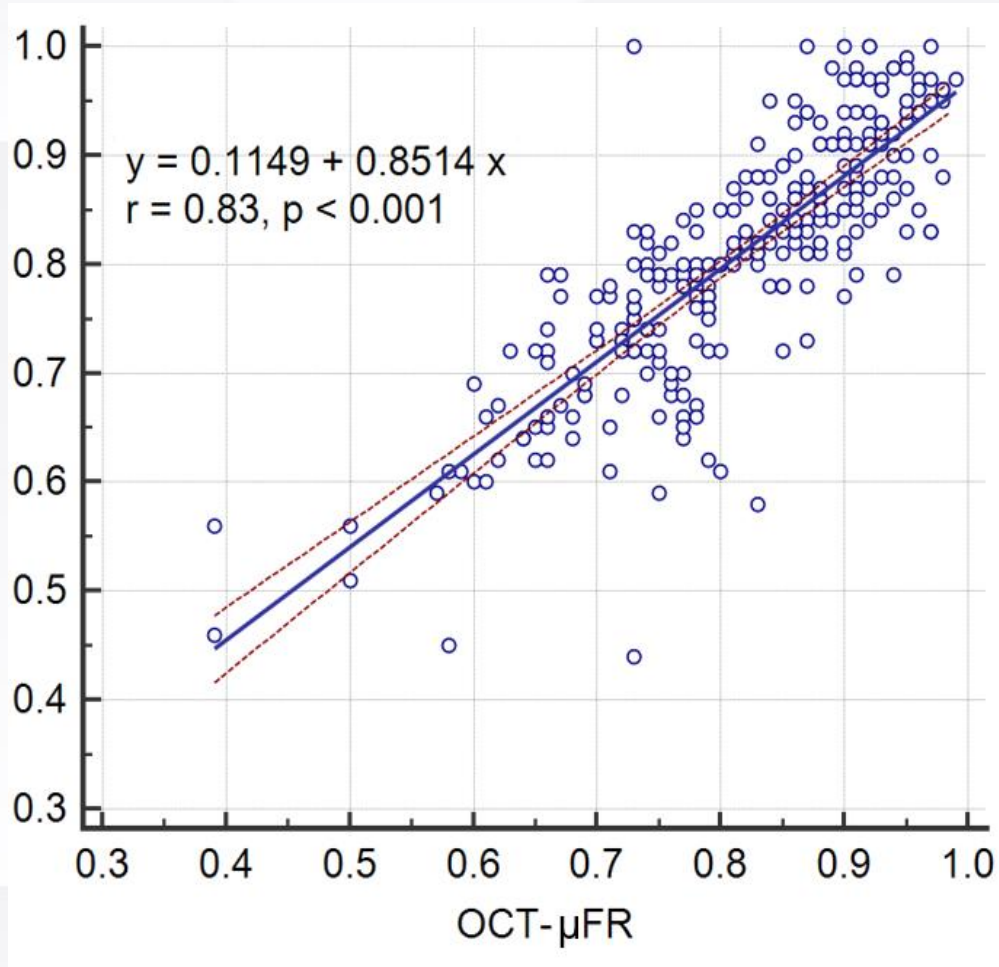


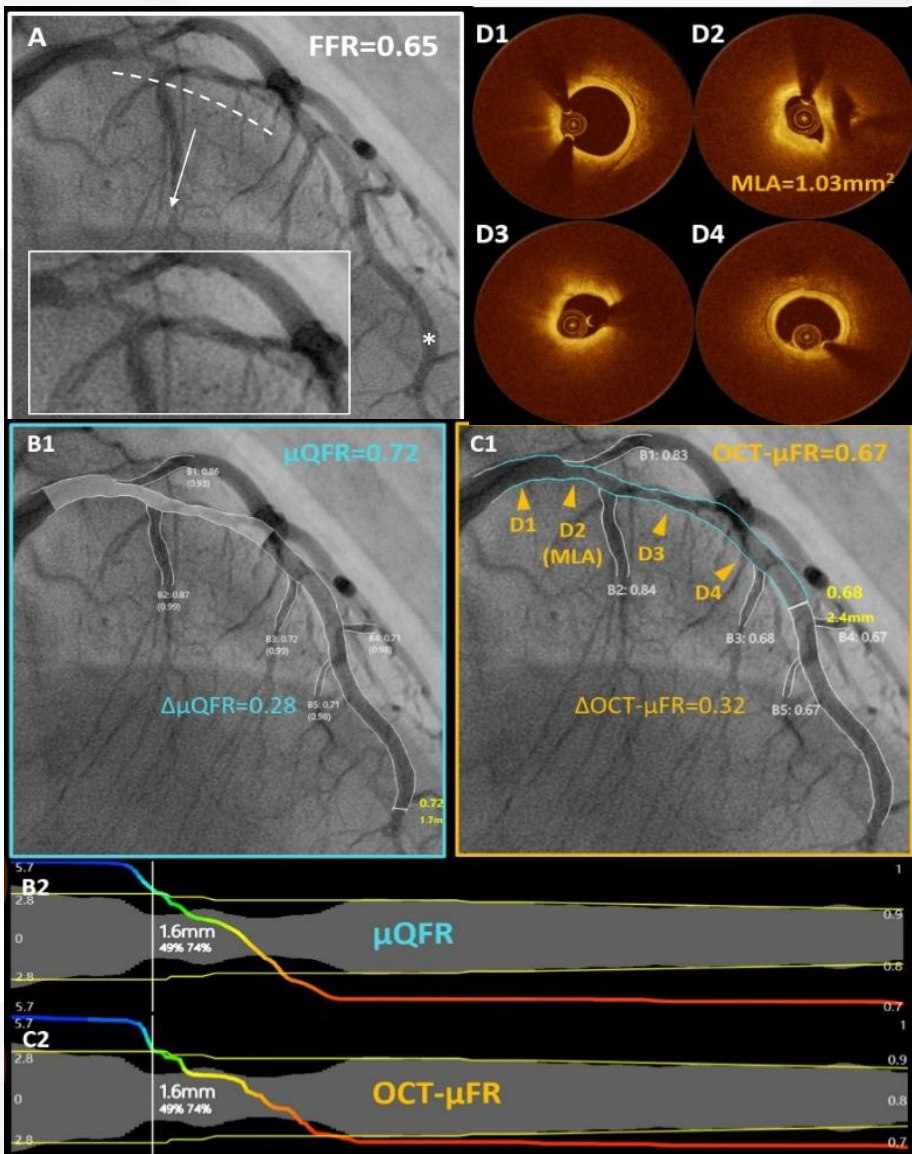
# OCT-Modulated $\mu$ QFR (OCT- $\mu$ FR) from Co-registered Data





# Validation of OCT- $\mu$ FR in Main Vessels





## Suboptimal angiographic image quality (109 vessels)

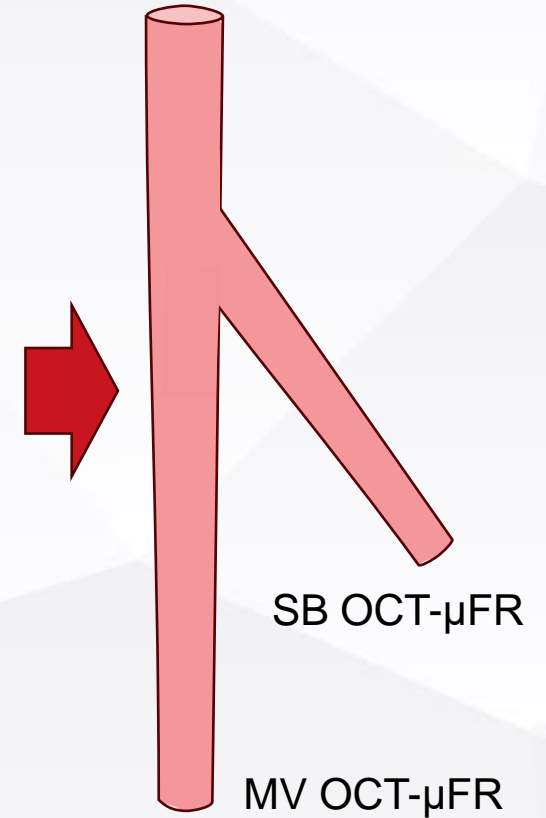
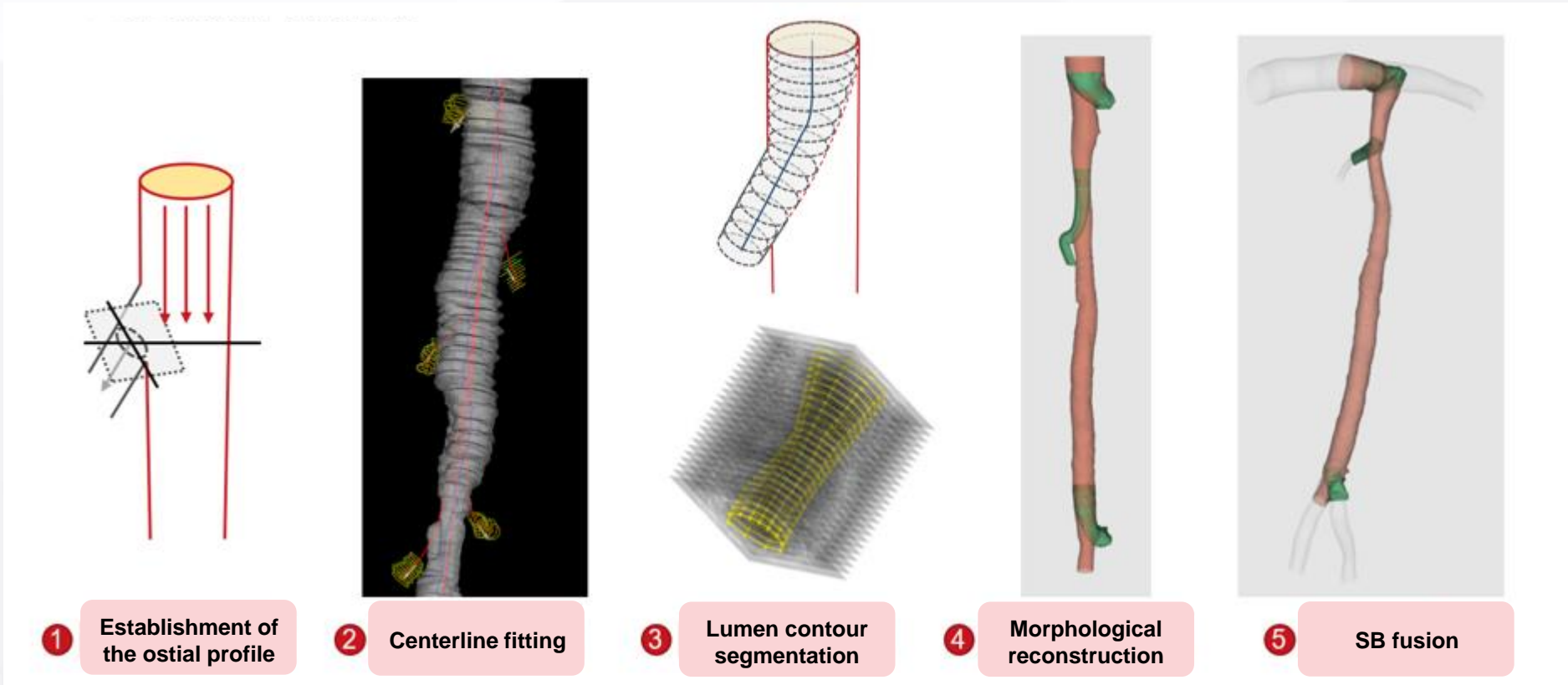
	OCT- $\mu$ QFR $\leq$ 0.80	$\mu$ QFR $\leq$ 0.80	p
AUC	<b>0.93</b>	<b>0.87</b>	<b>0.028</b>
Accuracy	90%	81%	0.056

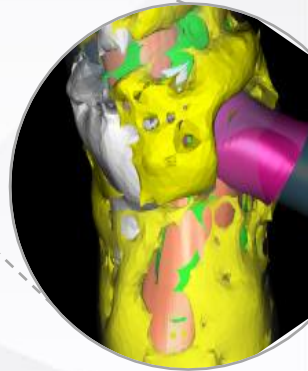
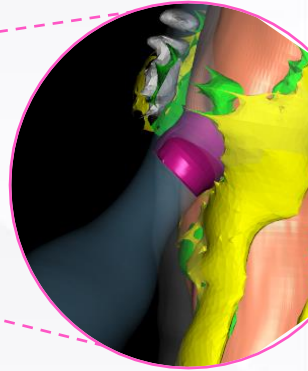
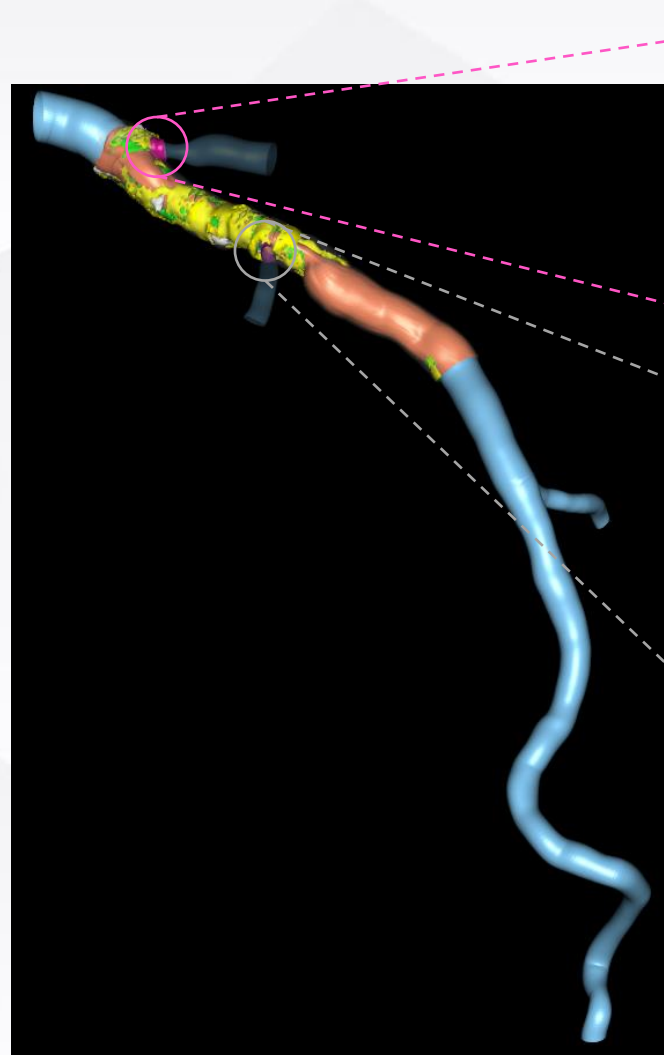
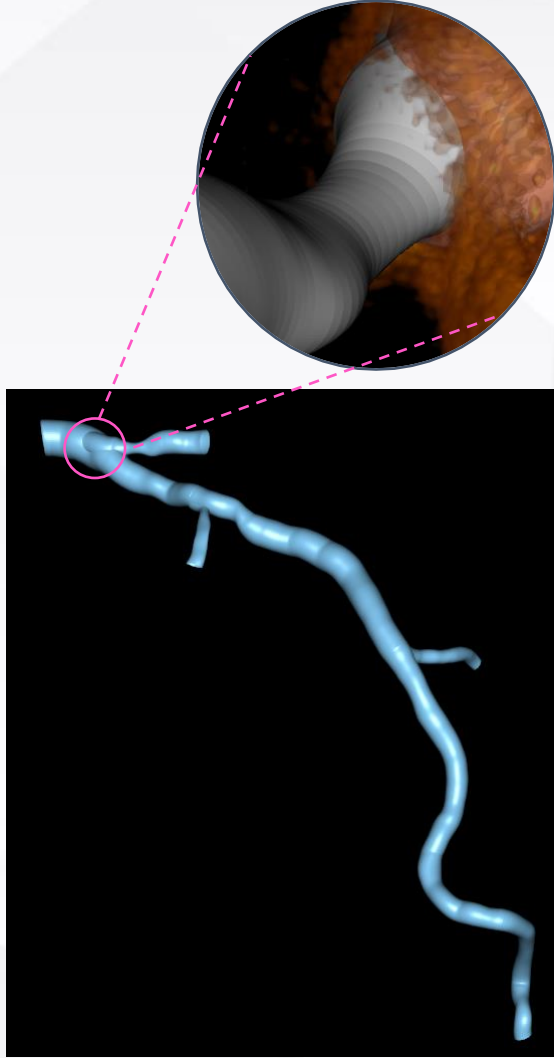
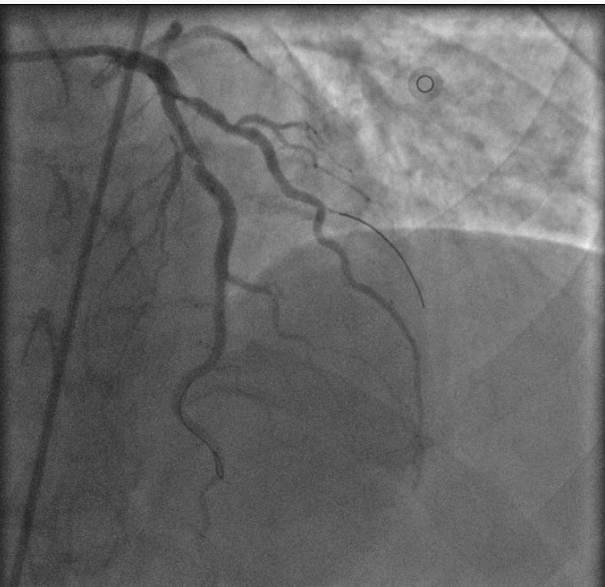
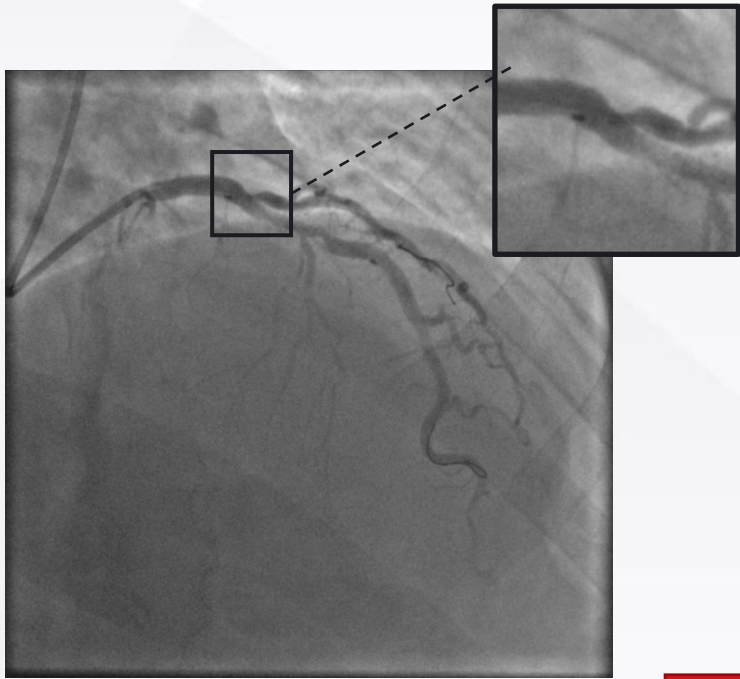
## Optimal angiographic image quality (160 vessels)

	OCT- $\mu$ QFR $\leq$ 0.80	$\mu$ QFR $\leq$ 0.80	p
AUC	0.94	0.94	0.879
Accuracy	93%	93%	0.828



## Angiography-OCT Fusion for Physiological Assessment







- Angiography-derived physiology provided significant prognostic value in patients undergoing LMB
- **Future directions:**
  - (1) To investigate whether the fusion with intracoronary imaging could improve the accuracy of angiography-derived SB physiological assessment in bifurcation lesions
  - (2) To investigate the performance of OCT/IVUS- $\mu$ FR for guiding SB treatment after MV crossover stenting
  - (3) Comprehensive assessment of anatomy, physiology, and biomechanics for optimal management of coronary bifurcation lesions