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# Surveillance Stress Testing After Percutaneous Intervention for Patients with Multivessel or Left Main Coronary Disease

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### Background

• PCI has been widely performed for patients with multivessel or left main coronary artery disease in the daily clinical practice







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• However, the incidence of MACE remains substantial after PCI

for multivessel (MVD) or left main (LM) coronary disease during

follow-up

Increasing clinical unmet needs for optimal follow-up strategy





# **Objective**

- Assessment of the risk of MACE differed between
  - "Routine functional-testing" vs "Standard-care alone"
    - in Patients with MVD or LM who underwent PCI
    - Contemporary data from the POST-PCI study



- Study Design and Patient Population
  - **POST-PCI Trial** (D.W. Park et al, NEJM, 2022): multicenter, pragmatic, and randomized trial conducted at 11 hospitals in Korea (2017-2019)
  - A total of 1706 patients with <u>at least one high-risk anatomical or clinical</u> <u>characteristic</u> who had undergone PCI → randomized to routine functional testing group and standard care group





- Study Design and Patient Population
  - *high-risk patients with MVD or LM* were included
  - Sub-cohorts
    - Multivessel disease (MVD) group
    - Left main disease (LM) group





- Trial processes and Follow-up
  - In the routine functional testing group: exercise ECG, SPECT, or stress echocardiography at 12 months after randomization
  - In the standard care group: stress testing was only performed when clinically indicated during follow-up.





- Study Endpoints and Follow-up
  - **Primary endpoint**: a composite of MACE (Death from any cause + MI

+ Hospitalization for UA) at 2 years after randomization

 Secondary endpoint: including each component of the primary composite endpoint and invasive coronary angiography (CAG), and repeat revascularization (RR)





### **Results**





Baseline characteristics	Functional-Testing (n=589)	Standard-Care (n=603)
Age — yrs	65.3±9.9	65.2±10.0
Male sex — no. (%)	456 (77.4)	490 (81.3)
Body-mass index	24.9±2.9	25.0±3.2
Cardiac risk factors and comorbidities		
Hypertension — no. (%)	421 (71.5)	430 (71.3)
Diabetes — no. (%)	236 (40.1)	247 (41.0)
Dyslipidemia — no. (%)	511 (86.8)	535 (88.7)
Current smoker — no. (%)	154 (26.1)	168 (27.9)
Family history of premature CAD — no. (%)	37 (6.3)	35 (5.8)
Previous MI — no. (%)	31 (5.3)	41 (6.8)
Previous PCI — no. (%)	130 (22.1)	127 (21.1)
Previous CABG — no. (%)	19 (3.2)	18 (3.0)
History of cerebrovascular disease — no. (%)	36 (6.1)	52 (8.6)
History of peripheral artery disease — no. (%)	18 (3.1)	14 (2.3)
Atrial fibrillation or atrial flutter — no. (%)	18 (3.1)	11 (1.8)

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Baseline characteristics	Functional-Testing (n=589)	Standard-Care (n=603)	
Criteria for high risk after PCI — no. (%)			
High-risk anatomical characteristics			
Bifurcation disease	278 (47.2)	263 (43.6)	
Ostial lesion	105 (17.8)	101 (16.7)	
Chronic total occlusion	72 (12.2)	93 (15.4)	
Restenotic lesion	46 (7.8)	57 (9.5)	
Diffuse long lesion	364 (61.8)	372 (61.7)	
Bypass graft disease	2 (0.3)	1 (0.2)	
High-risk clinical characteristics			
Diabetes on insulin	24 (4.1)	31 (5.1)	
Chronic renal failure	31 (5.3)	31 (5.1)	
On dialysis	18 (3.1)	16 (2.7)	
Enzyme-positive acute coronary syndrome	91 (15.4)	100 (16.6)	





Baseline characteristics	Functional-Testing (n=589)	Standard-Care (n=603)	
Clinical indication for index PCI — no. (%)			
Stable angina or silent ischemia	444 (75.4)	436 (72.3)	
Unstable angina	54 (9.2)	67 (11.1)	
NSTEMI	60 (10.2)	62 (10.3)	
STEMI	31 (3.1)	38 (6.3)	
Procedural characteristics			
Total no. of diseased lesions per patient	2.7±1.1	2.7±1.0	
Total no. of treated lesions per patient	1.6±0.8	1.6±0.7	
Total no. of stents per patient	2.2±1.1	2.2±1.3	
Total stent length per patient — mm	64.5±35.0	65.6±36.1	
Use of drug-eluting stents — no. (%)	575 (97.6)	582 (96.5)	
Use of bioabsorbable scaffold — no. (%)	4 (0.7)	5 (0.8)	
Use of drug-coated balloon — no. (%)	37 (6.3)	49 (8.1)	
Intravascular ultrasound guidance — no. (%)	459 (77.9)	469 (77.8)	
Fractional flow reserve assessed — no. (%)	255 (43.3)	257 (42.6)	

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Clinical Endpoints	No. of Events (%) at 2 Years				
Endpoint	Functional-Testing Group (N=589)	Standard-Care Group (N=603)	HR (95% CI)	P-value	
Primary endpoint*	36 (6.2)	34 (5.7)	1.09 (0.68–1.74)	0.73	
Secondary endpoints					
Death from any cause	18 (3.1)	18 (3.0)	1.03 (0.53–1.97)	0.94	
Myocardial infarction	2 (0.3)	7 (1.2)	0.29 (0.06–1.41)	0.13	
Hospitalization for unstable angina	16 (2.8)	9 (1.5)	1.83 (0.81–4.13)	0.15	

Primary endpoint: Death from any cause + Myocardial infarction + Hospitalization for unstable angina

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Clinical Endpoints	No. of Events (%) at 2 Years					
Endpoint	Functional-Testing Group (N=589)	Standard-Care Group (N=603)	HR (95% CI)	P-value		
Death or myocardial infarction	20 (3.5)	25 (4.2)	0.82 (0.46–1.47)	0.50		
Hospitalization						
Any reason	156 (27.3)	133 (22.6)	1.23 (0.97–1.54)	0.09		
Cardiac reason	91 (16.0)	73 (12.5)	1.27 (0.94–1.73)	0.12		
Noncardiac reason	65 (11.4)	60 (10.2)	1.13 (0.80–1.61)	0.50		
Invasive coronary angiography	76 (13.5)	56 (9.6)	1.39 (0.98–1.96)	0.06		
Repeat revascularization	54 (9.6)	35 (6.0)	1.59 (1.04–2.43)	0.03		



	Multivessel disease (n=833)				Left main disease (n=359)				
	Functional Testing (n=408)	Standard Care (n=425)	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	P- value	Functional Testing (n=181)	Standard Care (n=178)	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	P- value <sub>i</sub>	P value -for- nteraction
Primary composite endpoint	25 (6.2)	24 (5.7)	1.09 (0.62–1.90)	0.78	11 (6.2)	10 (5.7)	1.09 (0.46–2.56)	0.85	0.90
Secondary endpoint									
Death from any cause	12 (3.0)	15 (3.6)	0.83 (0.39-1.77)	0.6	6 (3.4)	3 (1.7)	1.99 (0.50–7.94)	0.33	0.64
Myocardial infarction	1 (0.2)	4 (1.0)	0.26 (0.03-2.32)	0.23	1 (0.6)	3 (1.7)	0.33 (0.03–3.19)	0.34	0.78
Hospitalization for unstable angina	12 (3.0)	5 (1.2)	2.49 (0.88-7.09)	0.09	4 (2.3)	4 (2.3)	1.00 (0.25–3.98)	>0.99	0.40
Invasive coronary angiography	52 (13.2)	38 (9.3)	1.41 (0.93-2.15)	0.11	24 (14.0)	18 (10.4)	1.32 (0.72–2.43)	0.37	0.50
Repeat revascularization	32 (8.1)	22 (5.4)	1.51 (0.88-2.59)	0.14	22 (12.9)	13 (7.5)	1.73 (0.87–3.44)	0.12	0.69



### **Primary composite endpoint**



CVRF

### Each component of primary endpoint



Death from any cause

**Myocardial infarction** 

Hospitalization for UA





### **Invasive CAG & Repeat revascularization**



#### **Repeat revascularization**

Invasive CAG

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### **Primary endpoint of Each sub-cohort**



Primary composite endpoint in MVD group

Primary composite endpoint in LM group

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### Landmark analysis of the primary endpoint



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### Landmark analysis of the primary endpoint in each sub-cohort

8%





0 to 1 year: HR, 0.98 (95% CI, 0.34-2.80)

**MVD** group

LM group



.8%

## Conclusion

- In high-risk patients with MVD or LM who have undergone PCI, routine functional testing did not reduce the risk of primary composite outcome (Death, MI, or Hospitalization for UA) at 2 years
  - These findings  $\rightarrow$  consistent in each cohort of MVD or LM group
- Routine functional testing after PCI for MVD or LM only

increased the risk of invasive procedure

