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# Coronary Angiography- Derived FFR

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# Why We Don't Perform FFR

- \$\$\$!!
- It takes time...
- Wire handling characteristics...
- Pressure drift is frustrating...
- Side effects of adenosine...
- It is expensive...
- There is a small risk...

*Coronary Pressure  
Wire*

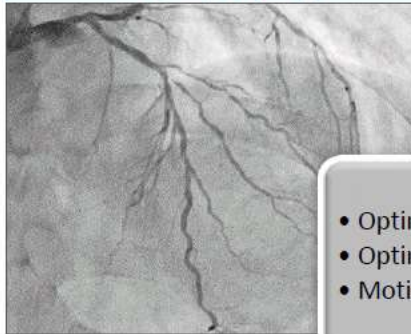


# Angiography-Derived FFR

**FFR<sub>angio</sub>**

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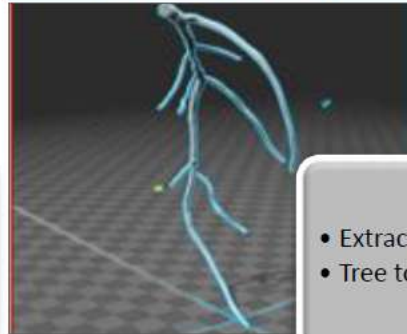
## Optimal 2D Angiography



- Optimal projections
- Optimal Frame
- Motion compensator

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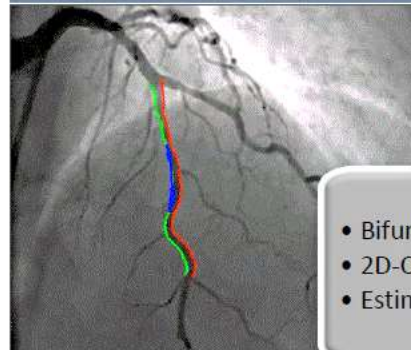
## 3D model reconstruction



- Extracting centerlines
- Tree topology

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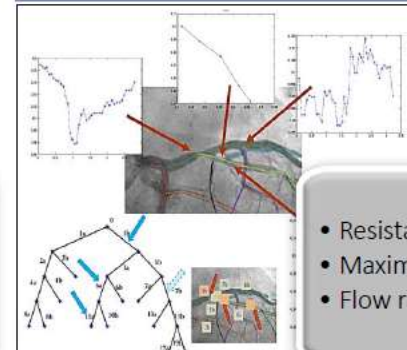
## Stenosis assessment



- Bifurcation analysis
- 2D-QCA assessment
- Estimating diameters

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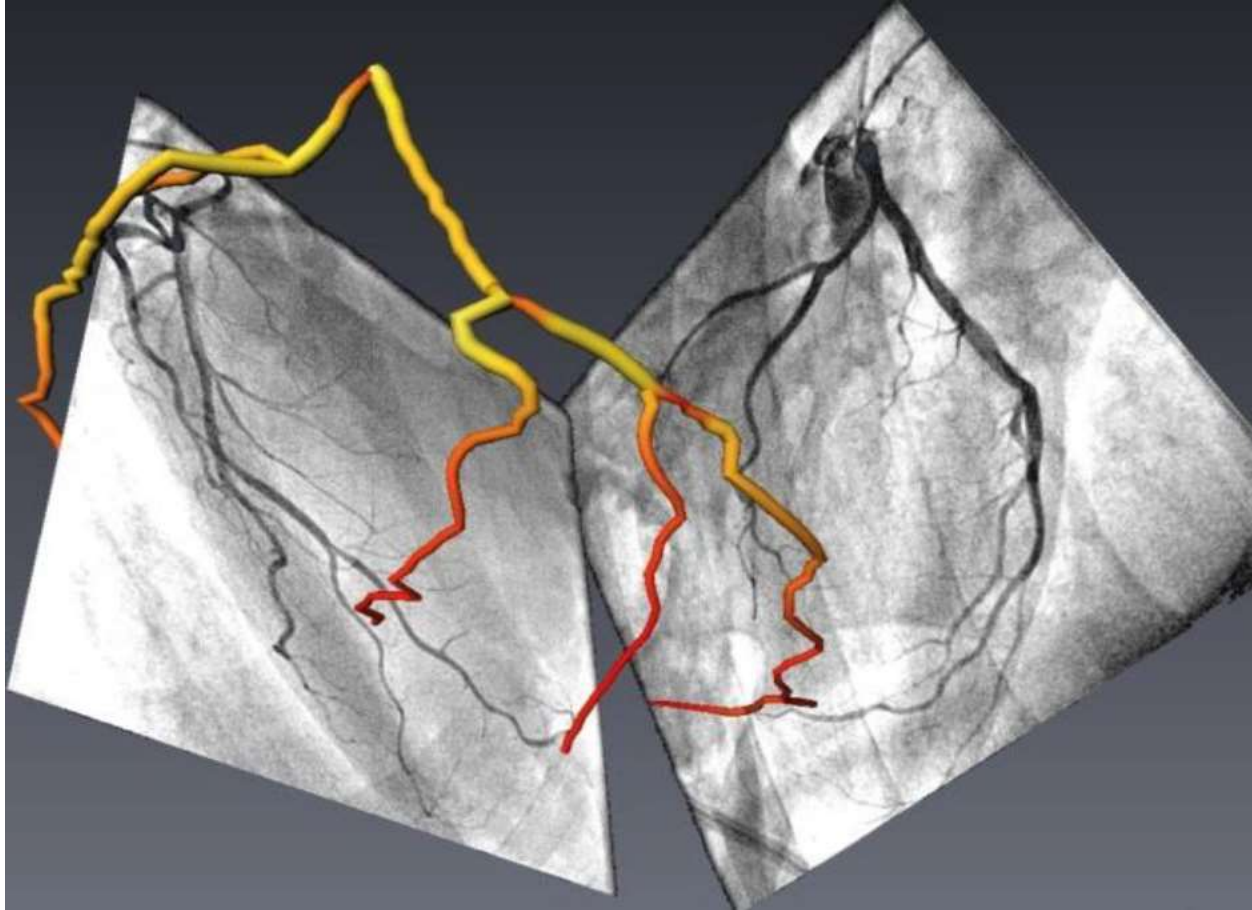
## Hemodynamic evaluation



- Resistance mapping
- Maximum blood flow
- Flow rate ratio



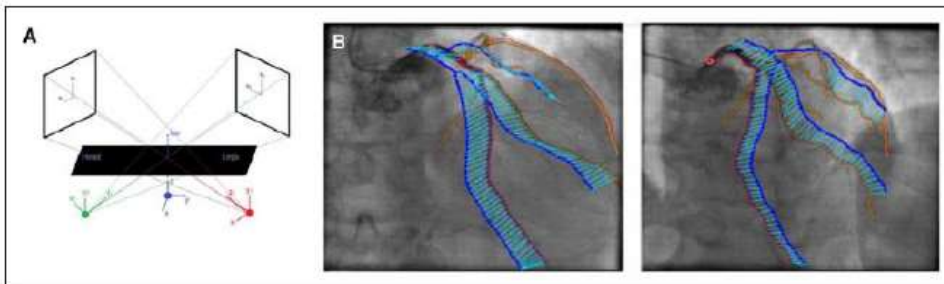
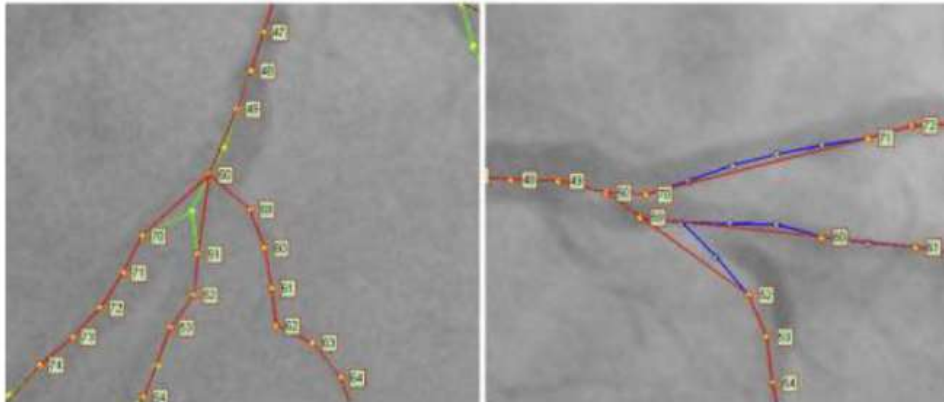
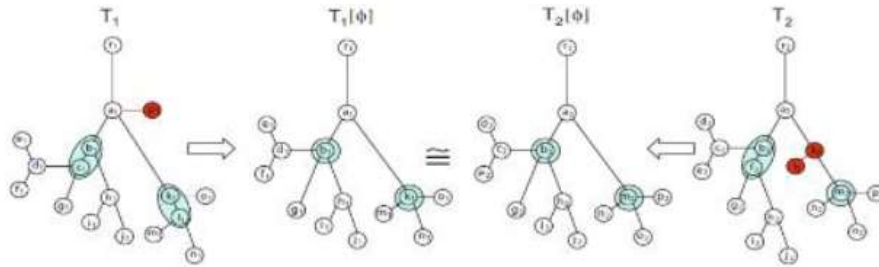
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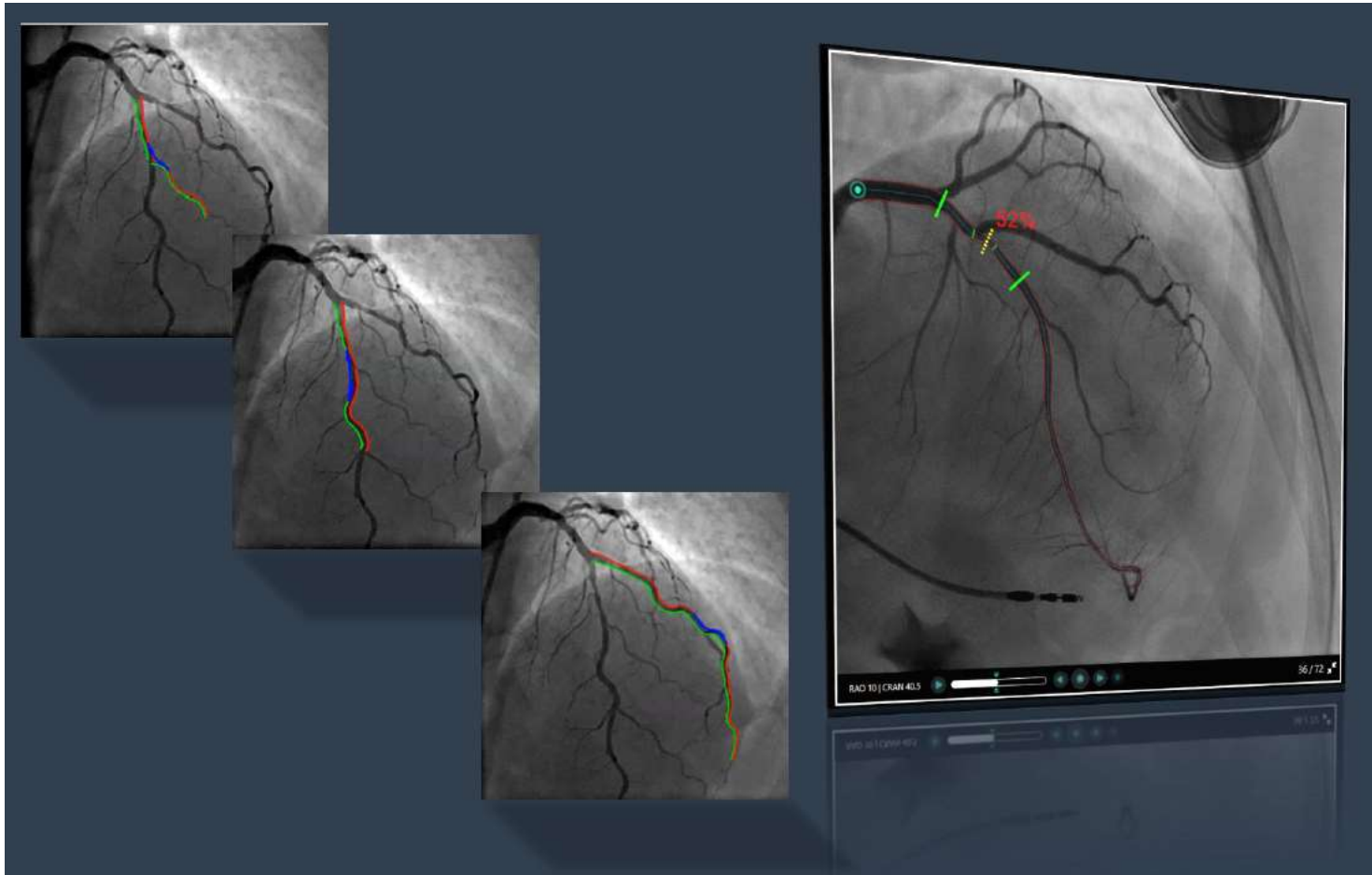


***The 3D engine contains a compensation mechanism which uses all available projections to account for respiratory and cardiac motion and optimizes the 3D reconstruction.***



# FFR<sub>angio</sub>

*Automatic stenosis detection by scanning the entire 3D reconstruction*



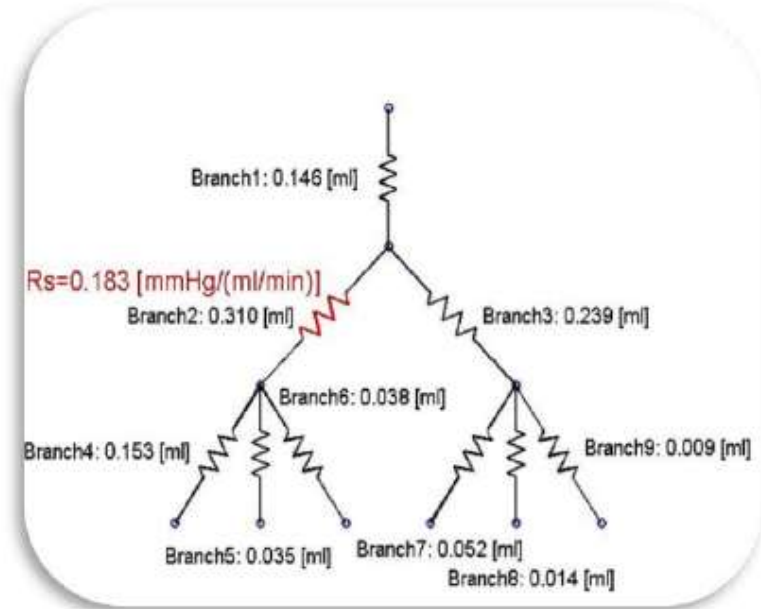
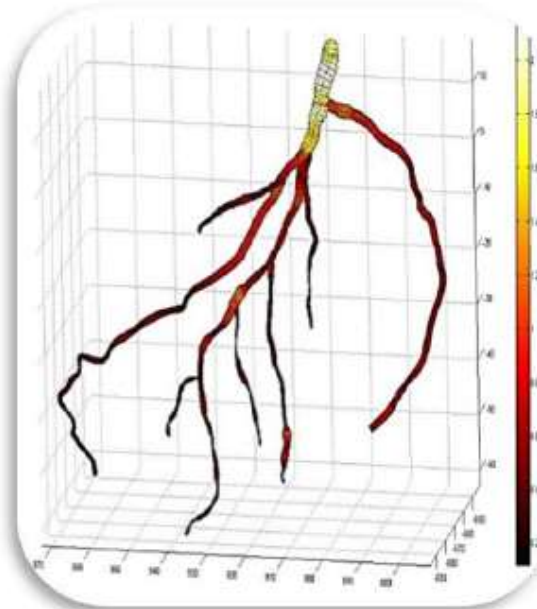
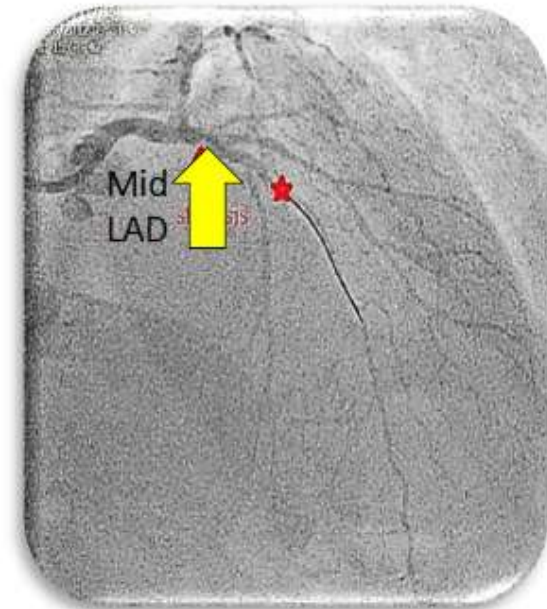
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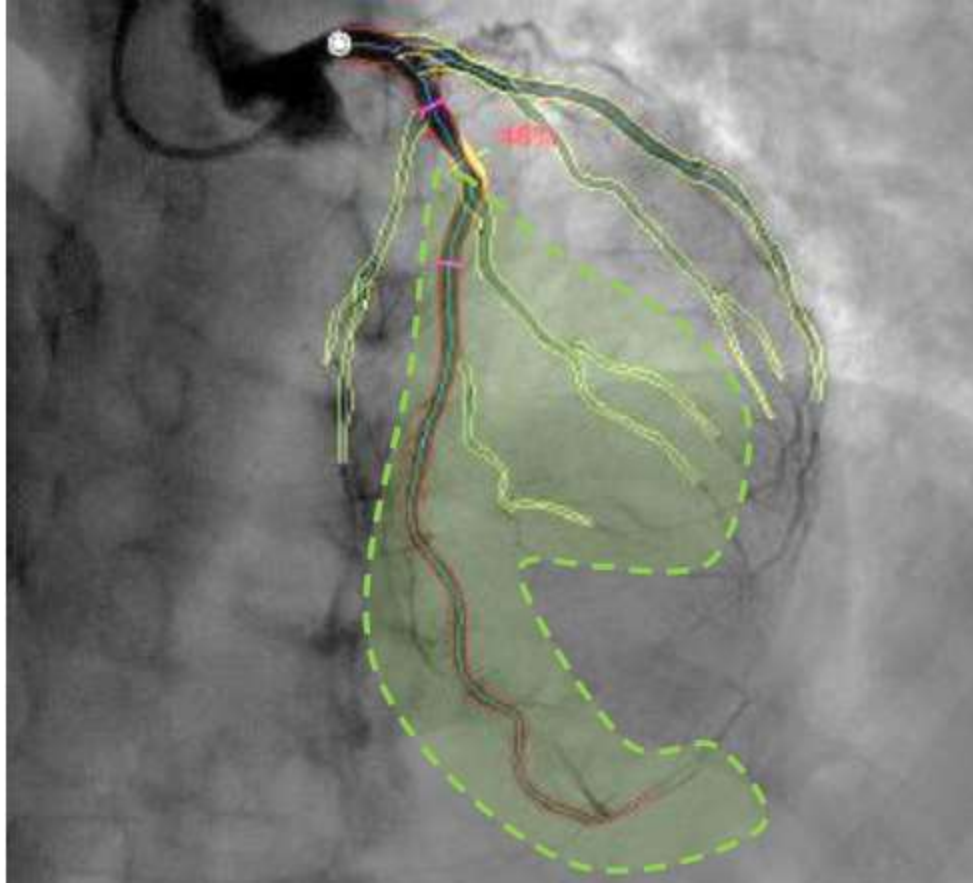
*The coronary arterial network is modeled as an electrical circuit with each segment acting as a resistor. The vessel resistance is estimated based on its length and diameter. Each vessel's contribution to flow is based on its impact on overall resistance depending on the arrangement.*





# FFR<sub>angio</sub>

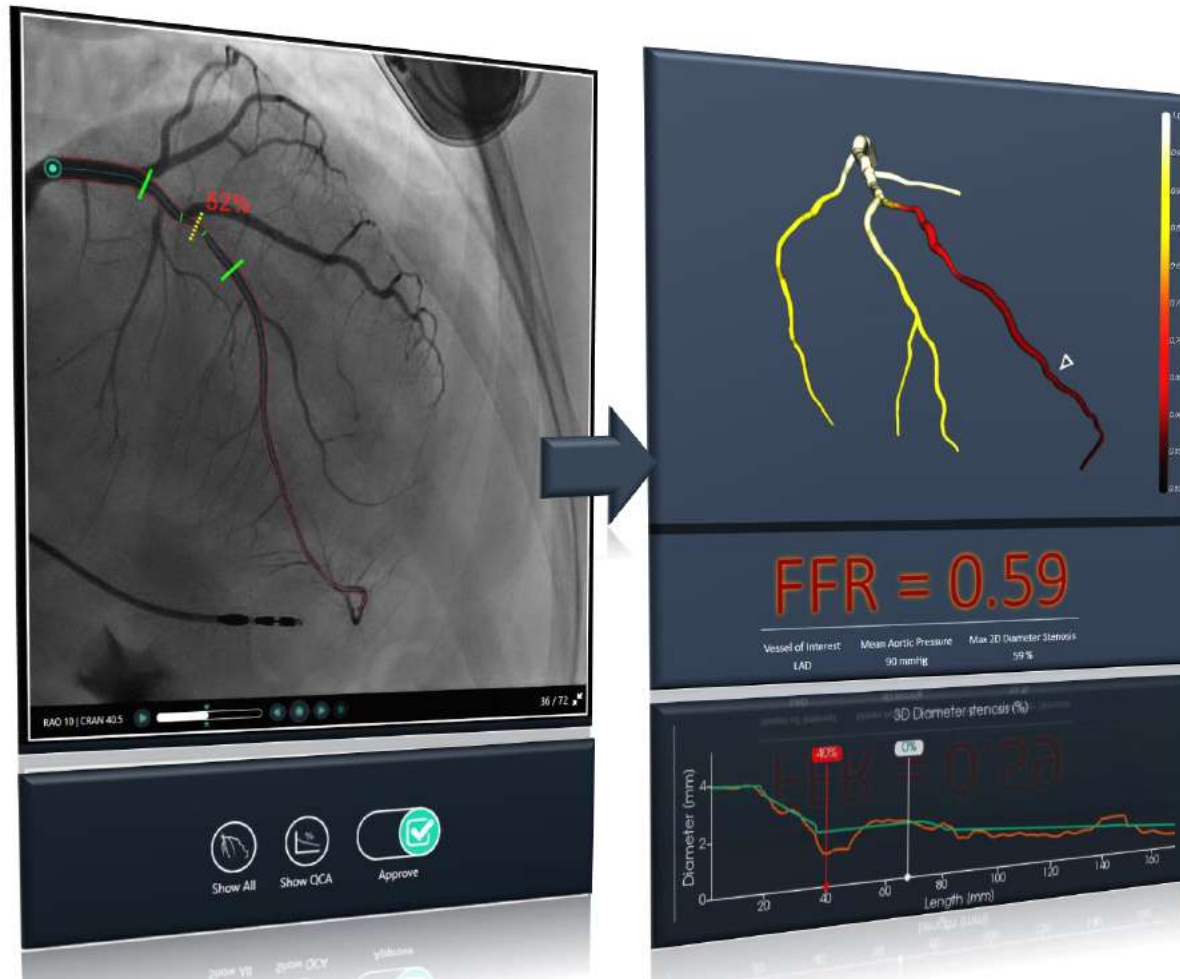
*Normal maximal flow is estimated based on the volume of coronary vessels and total coronary length.*



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# FFR<sub>angio</sub>



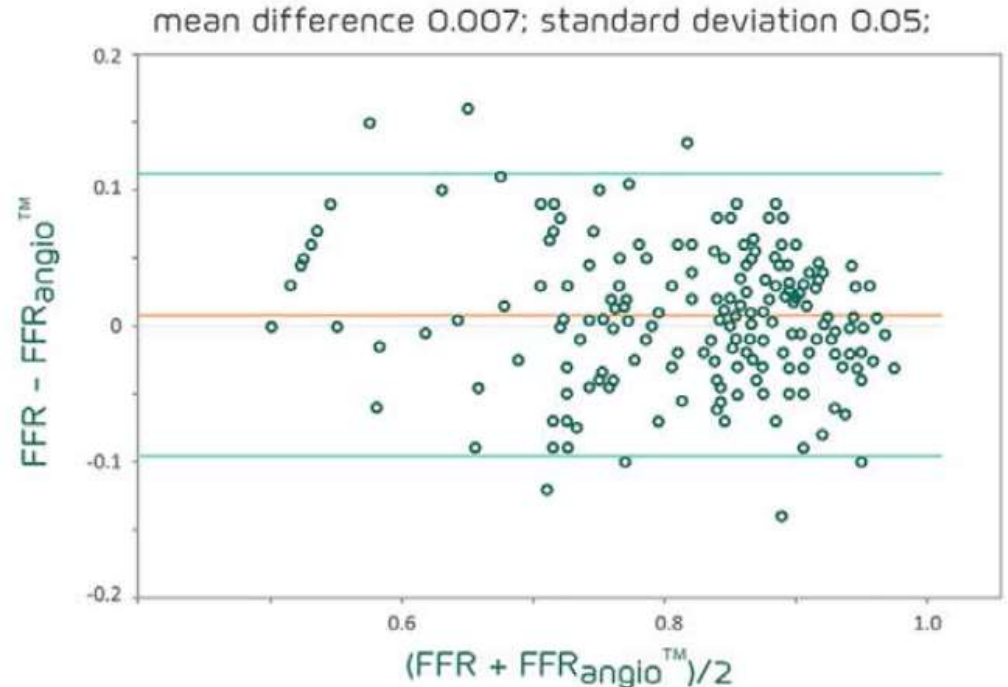
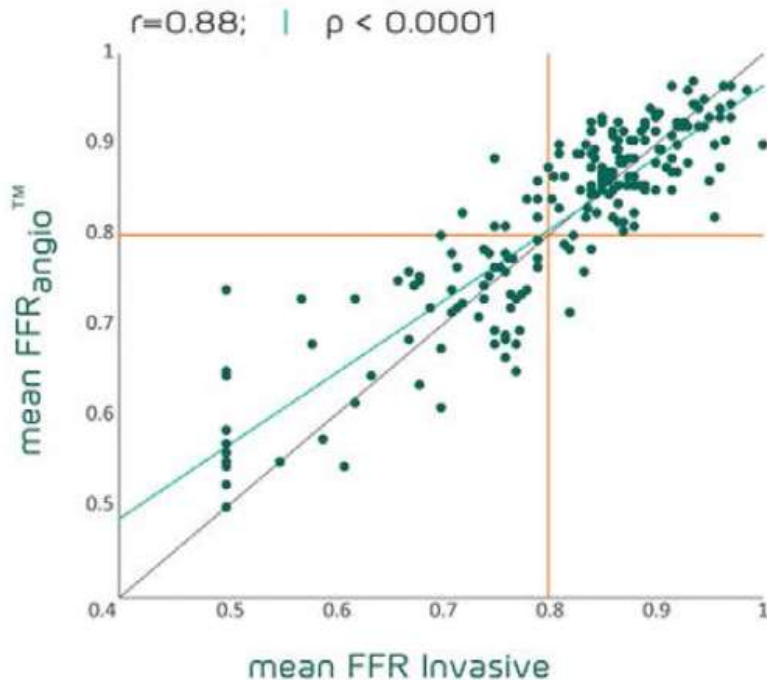
***FFR<sub>angio</sub> is then calculated as the ratio of the maximal flow rate in the stenosed artery compared with the flow rate in the absence of the stenosis:***

$$FFR_{angio} = Q_S / Q_N$$



# FFR<sub>angio</sub> Data

**FFR<sub>angio</sub> compared with invasive FFR in 203 lesions (184 patients)**



**Sensitivity, specificity and accuracy of FFR<sub>angio</sub> was 88%, 95% and 93%**



# FAST FFR Trial

## FFR<sub>angio</sub> Accuracy versus Standard FFR

- Objective:
  - To estimate the efficacy of FFR<sub>angio</sub> compared with invasive FFR to diagnose significant coronary stenosis ( $\leq 0.80$ )



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# FAST FFR Trial

## *Inclusion Criteria*

- Male or female, >18 years
- Stable or unstable angina, or NSTEMI.
- Undergoing invasive FFR with Adenosine.
- Provides written, informed consent (where required).



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# FAST FFR Trial

## *Exclusion Criteria*

- Presenting with STEMI OR documented prior target vessel STEMI.
- Chronic total occlusion in target vessel.
- Prior CABG, heart transplant, severe aortic stenosis or valve surgery.
- Known LVEF  $\leq 45\%$ .





# FAST FFR Trial

## *Angiographic Exclusion Criteria*

- $\leq$ TIMI 2.
- Left Main stenosis  $>50\%$ .
- Recent stent in target vessel (12 mo) or in-stent restenosis.
- Severe, diffuse disease.
- Target vessel supplied by major collaterals.
- Coronary angiogram not acquired per instructions.



# FAST FFR Trial Design

**SA, UA, NSTEMI patients will be screened**

**FFR of  $\geq 1$  lesion as part of standard care**

**3 roll-in patients / site**

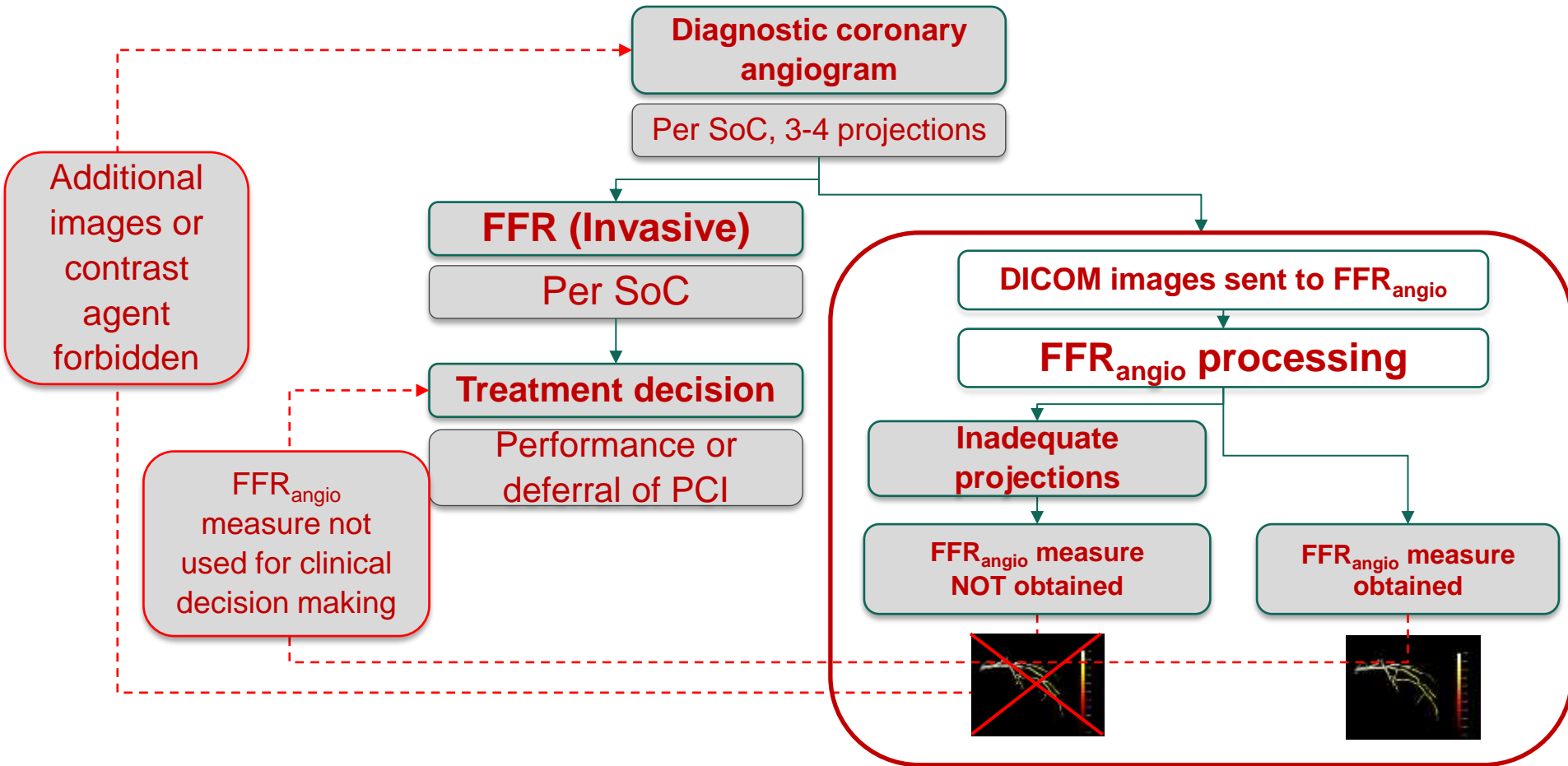
**350 study patients**

**386 patients in total, max 95/site**

**Simultaneous blinded FFR<sub>angio</sub>**



# FAST FFR Trial Flow



# FAST FFR Trial Endpoints

## *Primary Endpoint*

- Lower bound of the 95% CI of the sensitivity and specificity for dichotomously scored  $\text{FFR}_{\text{angio}}$  measured index per vessel as compared with invasively-derived FFR.
- Performance goal for sensitivity = 0.70
- Performance goal for specificity = 0.75



# FAST FFR Trial Endpoints

## *Secondary Endpoint*

- Sensitivity and specificity of site-reported invasively-derived FFR
- Device Success
- Usability of the FFR<sub>angio</sub> system.
- Procedure and device related AEs and SAEs.



# FAST FFR Trial

## *Enrolment*

| PI                | Site name                   | Country | Enrollment |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------|------------|
| Abid Assali       | Rabin Medical Center        | Israel  | 47         |
| Thomas Engstrøm   | Rigshospitalet              | Denmark | 47         |
| Allen Jeremias    | St. Francis Hospital        | USA     | 35         |
| Stéphane Fournier | OLV Aalst                   | Belgium | 26         |
| Bill Fearon       | Stanford University         | USA     | 25         |
| Stephan Achenbach | University of Erlangen      | Germany | 23         |
| Ajay Kirtane      | Columbia University         | USA     | 20         |
| Gabriel Greenberg | HaSharon Medical Center     | Israel  | 10         |
| Rami Jubeh        | Shaare Zedek Medical Center | Israel  | 10         |
| Daniel Kolansky   | University of Penn          | USA     | 8          |

Total enrollment

251

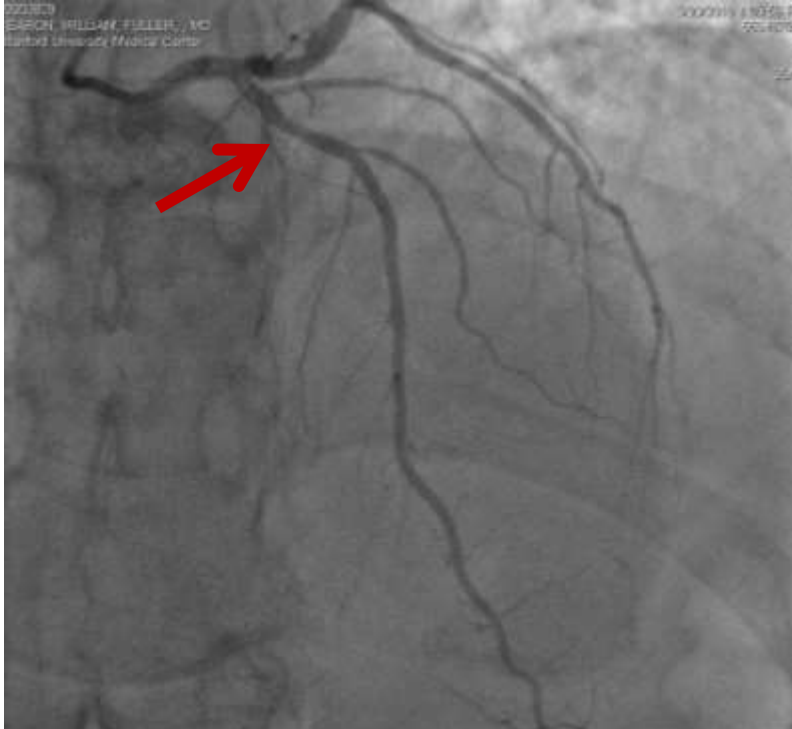




# FFR<sub>angio</sub> Case Examples

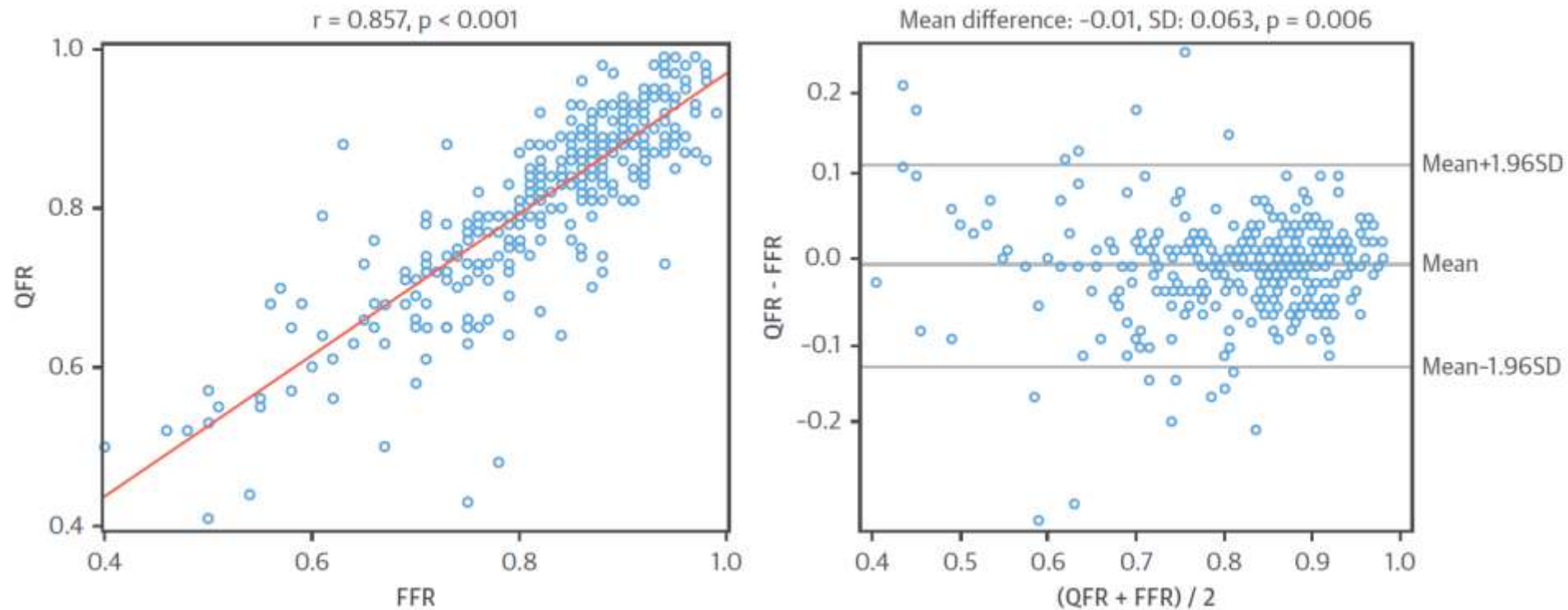


# FFR<sub>angio</sub> Case Examples



# Other Angiography-Derived FFR

**Quantitative Flow Ratio (QFR) compared with invasive FFR in 328 lesions**

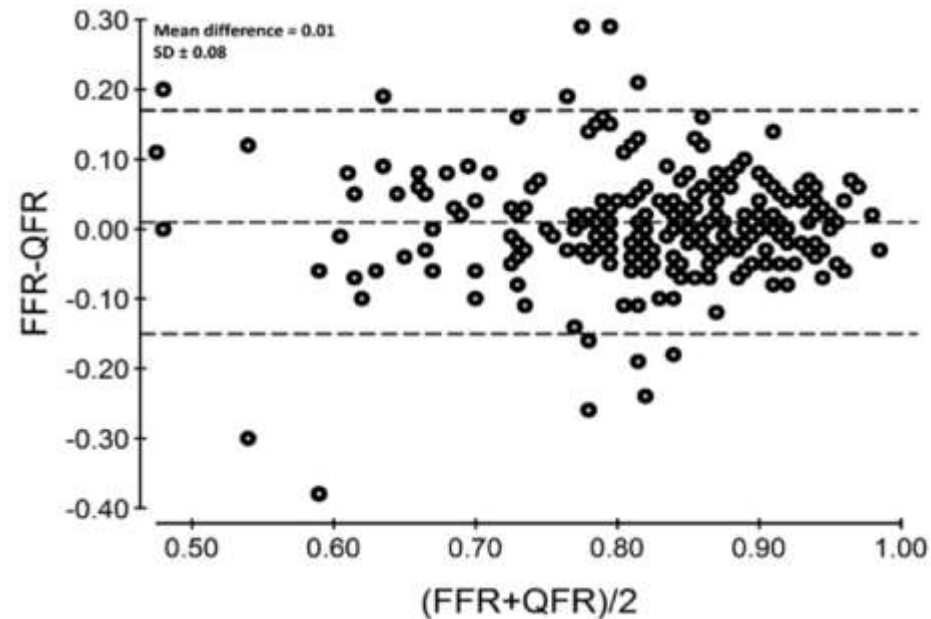
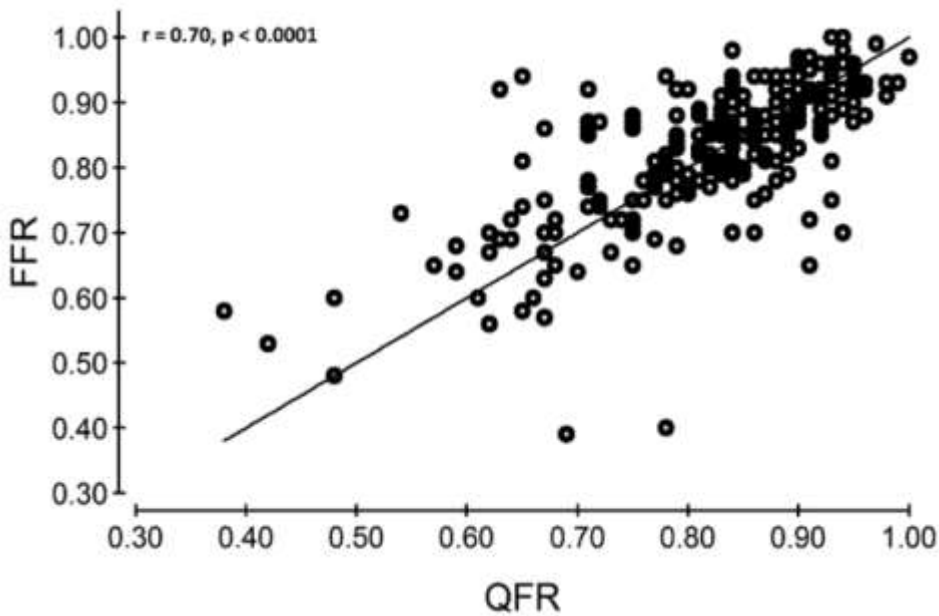


**Sensitivity, specificity and accuracy of QFR was 95%, 92% and 93%**



# Other Angiography-Derived FFR

**Quantitative Flow Ratio (QFR) compared with invasive FFR in 255 lesions**

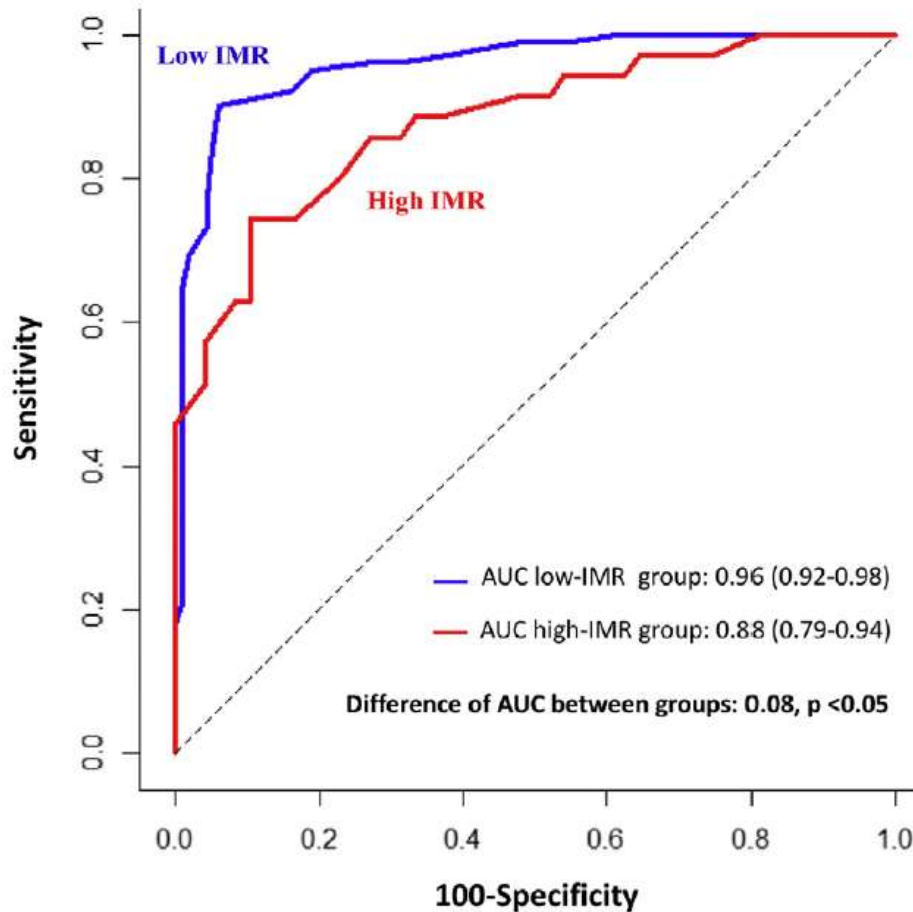


**Sensitivity, specificity and accuracy of QFR was 77%, 86% and 83%**



# Other Angiography-Derived FFR

**FFR and IMR measured in 300 vessels and compared with QFR**



**Accuracy of QFR was significantly lower in vessels with microvascular dysfunction based on a high IMR (76 vs 92%,  $p < 0.001$ ).**



# Conclusion

- Angiography-derived FFR is a promising new technique for diagnosing functionally significant coronary disease.
- It simplifies physiologic lesion assessment and may increase physiology-guided revascularization.
- This will require further study demonstrating improved outcomes with its use.

