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**TRATTAMENTO OTTIMALE DELLE STENOSI CORONARICHE
IN BIFORCAZIONE: UPDATE 2024**

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Definitions and Standardized Endpoints for Treatment of Coronary Bifurcations

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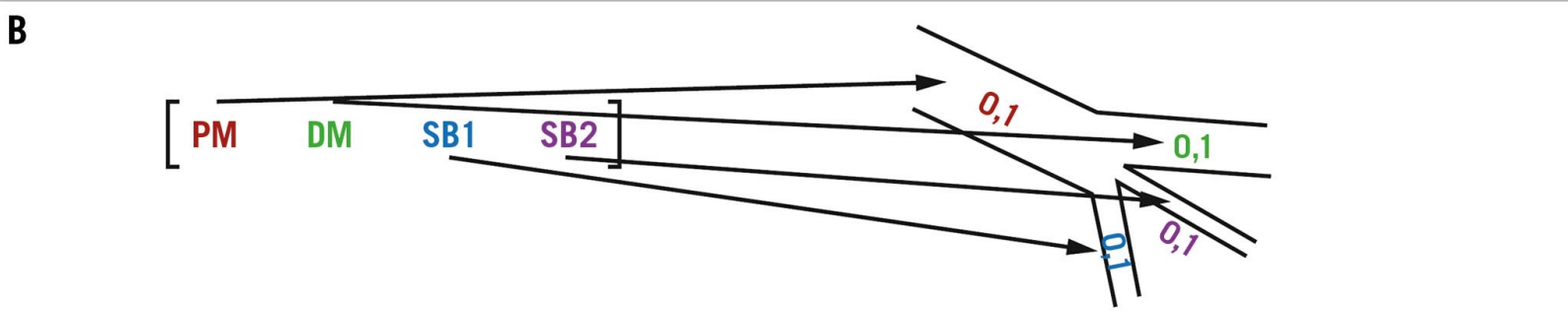
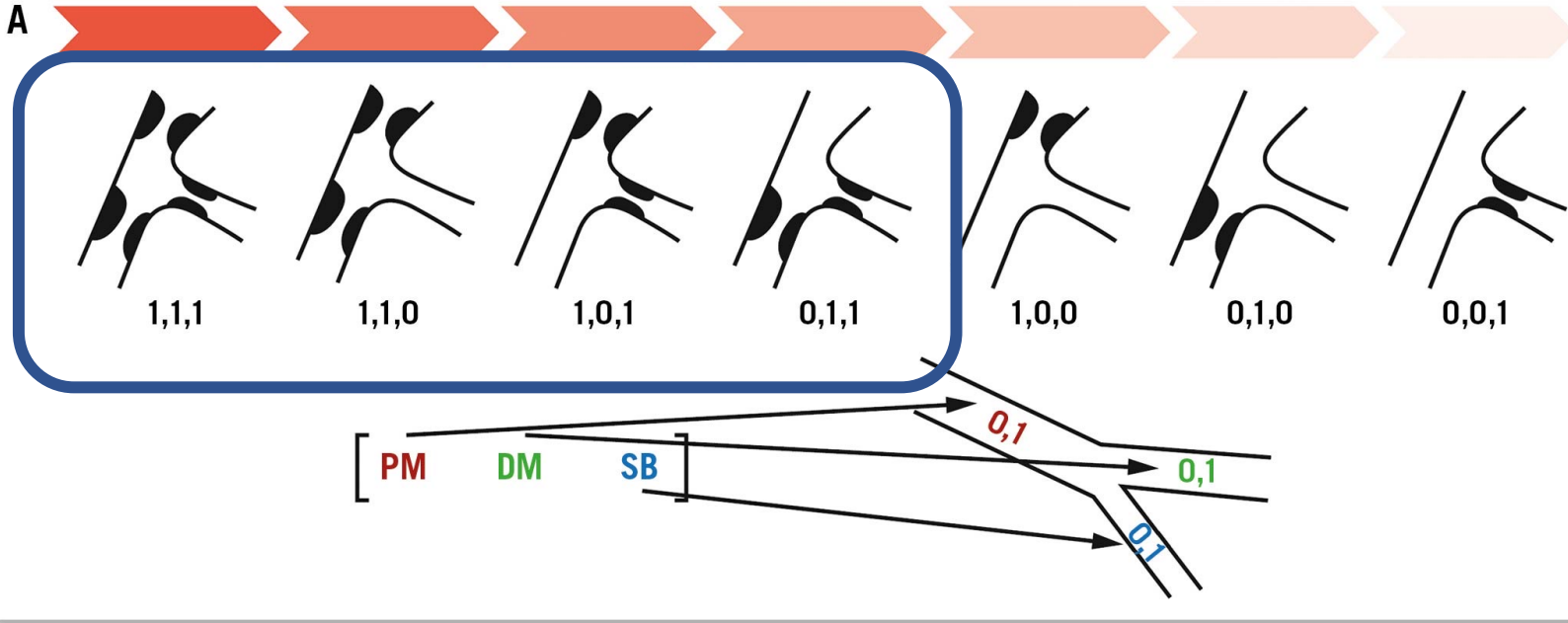
DEFINITION

A coronary artery narrowing occurring adjacent to, and/or involving the origin of a significant side branch (SB) > 2.0 mm

“True” bifurcation lesions, involving a significant ($\geq 50\%$) diameter stenosis (% DS) both in the main vessel (MV) and SB (MEDINA 1,1,1; 1,0,1; or 0,1,1), and “non-true” lesions in all other case

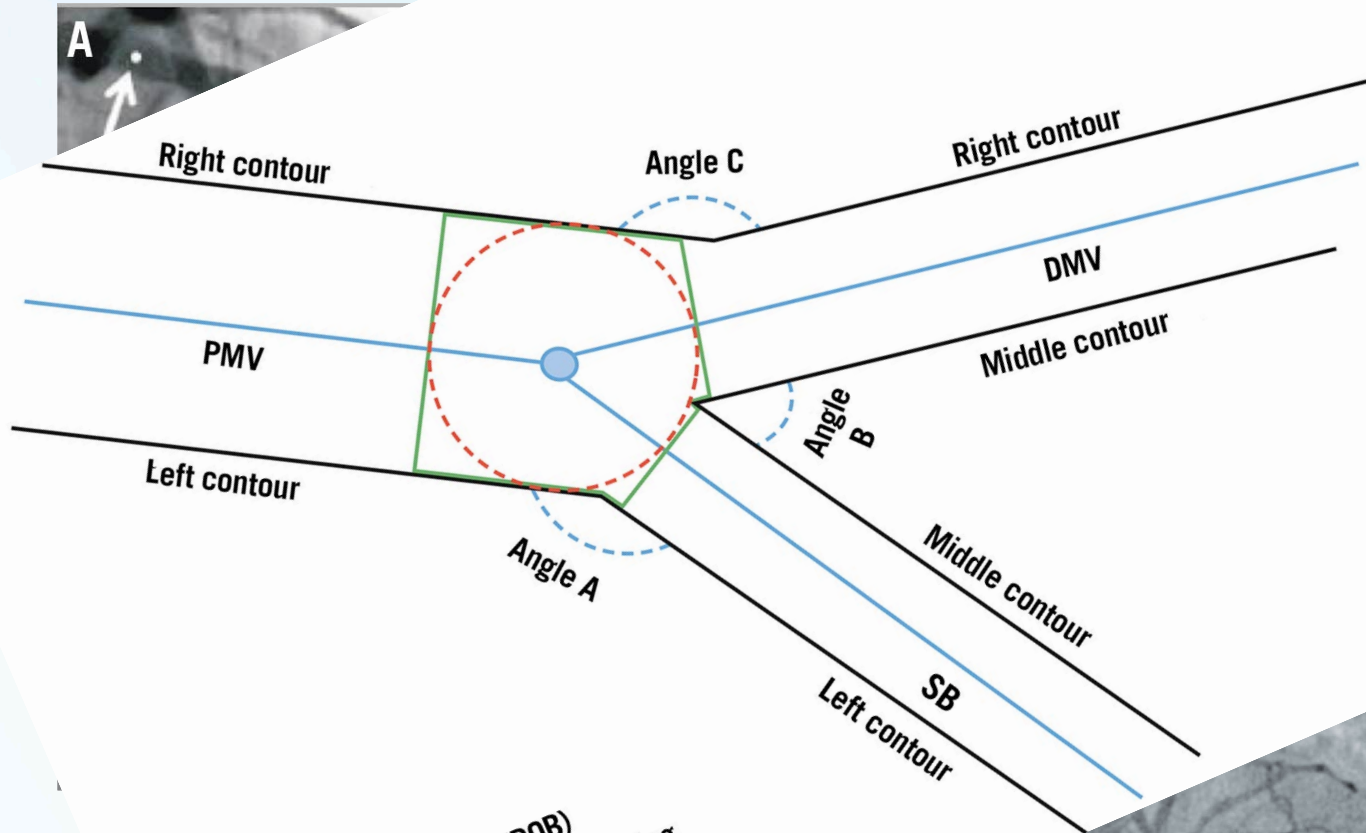
The question is: when a SB is significant ?

- ✓ **Relevance of a SB**
- ✓ **Acute technical/procedural success**
- ✓ **Long-term clinical outcomes**

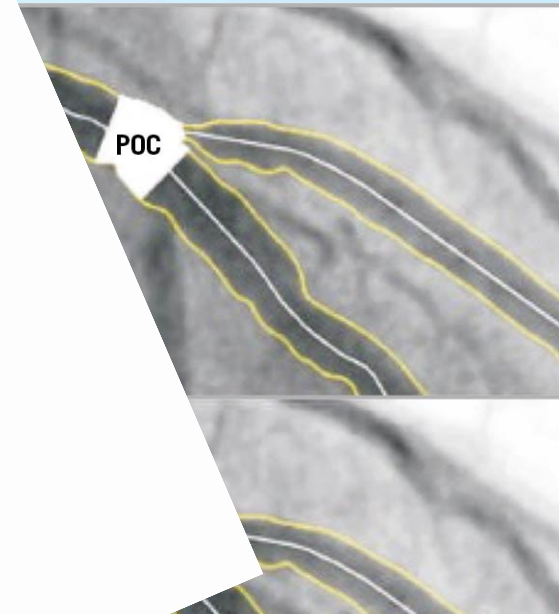


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MEDINA CLASSIFICATION

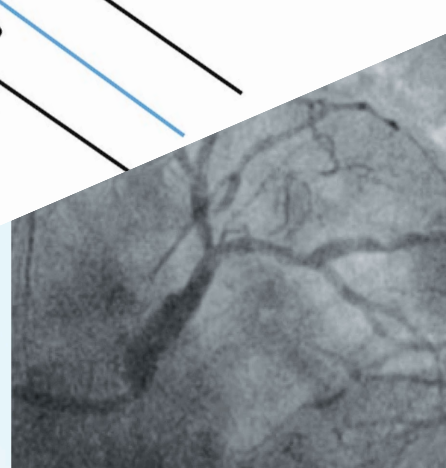


- Point of Bifurcation (POB)
- Largest Possible Circle Touching All 3 Contours
- Polygon of Confluence (POC) (bifurcation core segment)

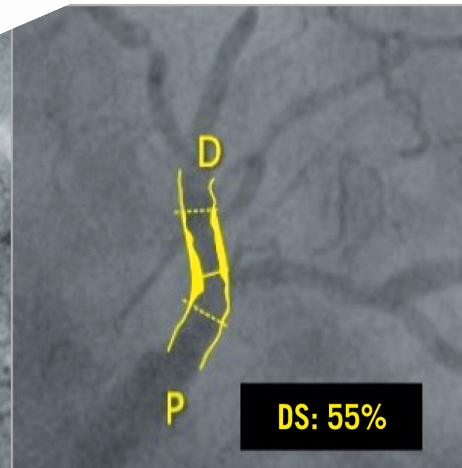


Single-vessel QCA

Bifurcation dedicated QCA



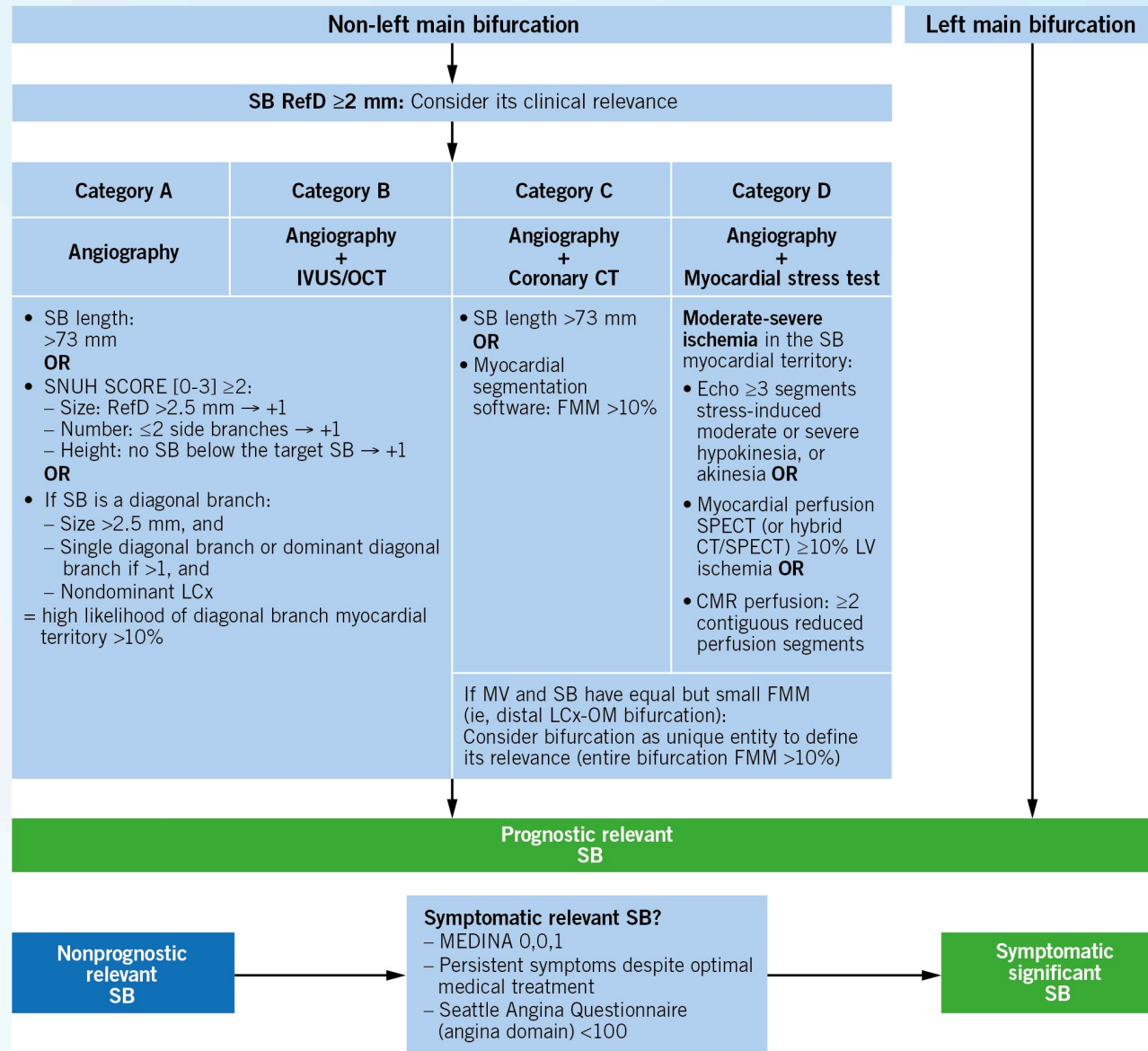
DS: 55%



DS: 48%

INDICATIONS FOR TREATMENT OF CORONARY BIFURCATIONS

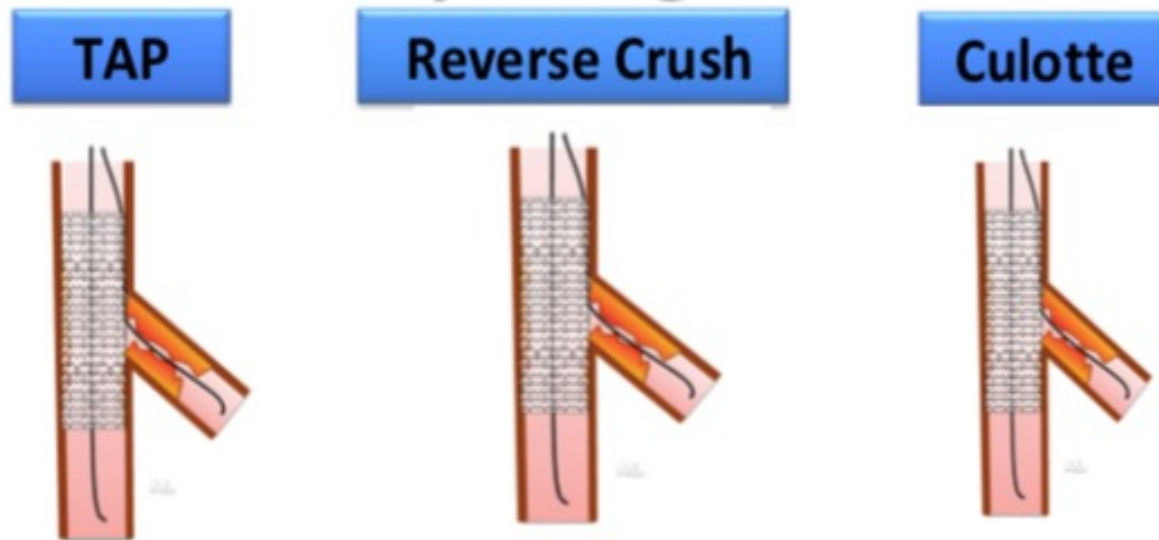
- ✓ In CCS with angiographically intermediate stenosis ($\%DS < 70$), documenting ischemia is recommended via noninvasive stress testing or invasive functional assessment (with SB assessment limited to MEDINA 0,0,1 lesions)
- ✓ In ACS cases, revascularization is guided by the detection of plaque disruption and/or thrombus at the site of the bifurcation, plus physiology



	M Main prox. first	A Main Across side first (provisional)	D Double prox. lumen	S Side branch first
1 st stent	PM stenting	MB cross-over stenting		SB ostial stenting
Ballooning	Skirt (K)	POT Side-branch dilation Kissing		SK Balloon SB crush
2 nd -3 rd stent, (and further ballooning)	Extended skirt (K)	T TAP Culotte	V/SKS	PK PKP Intentional T stenting Step/DK crush
Dedicated Device	Axxess	Bioss LIM, Xposition Stentys, Nile SIR		Capella Side-Guard
Inverted		Inverted A Across distal main first (Inverted provisional)		DM Distal Main first
1 st stent		MB to SB stenting		DM ostial stenting
Ballooning		POT Kissing		SK Balloon DM crush
2 nd stent, (and further ballooning)		Inverted T Inverted TAP Inverted Culotte		PK PKP Inverted Intentional T stenting Inverted Step/DK crush
Dedicated Device		Tryton		

Bifurcation Stenting- Bailout Options

Provisional requiring a 2nd stent



Advantages

Easy to perform
No recrossing

Complete coverage of ostium
Any anatomy

Complete coverage of ostium

Disadvantages

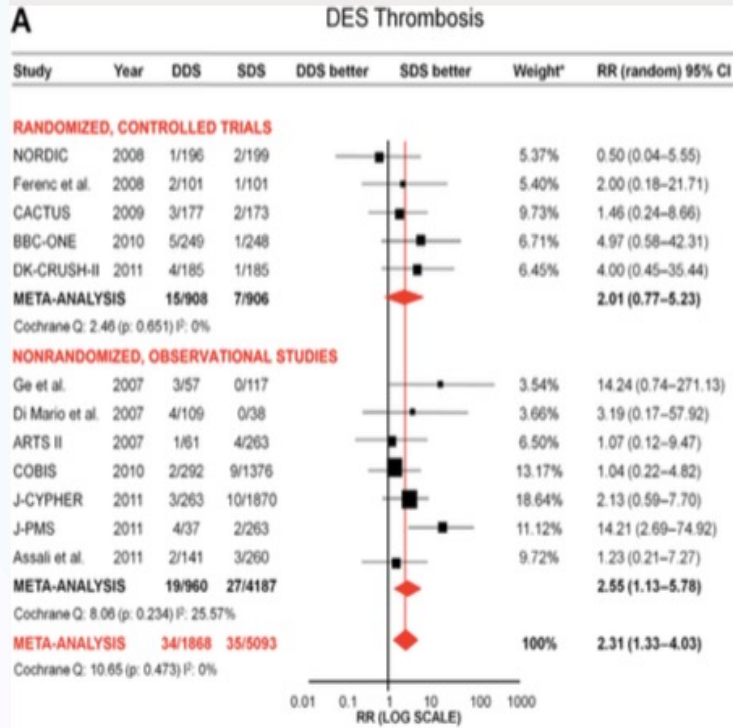
Struts protruding into MB

Recrossing into SB
3 layers of struts

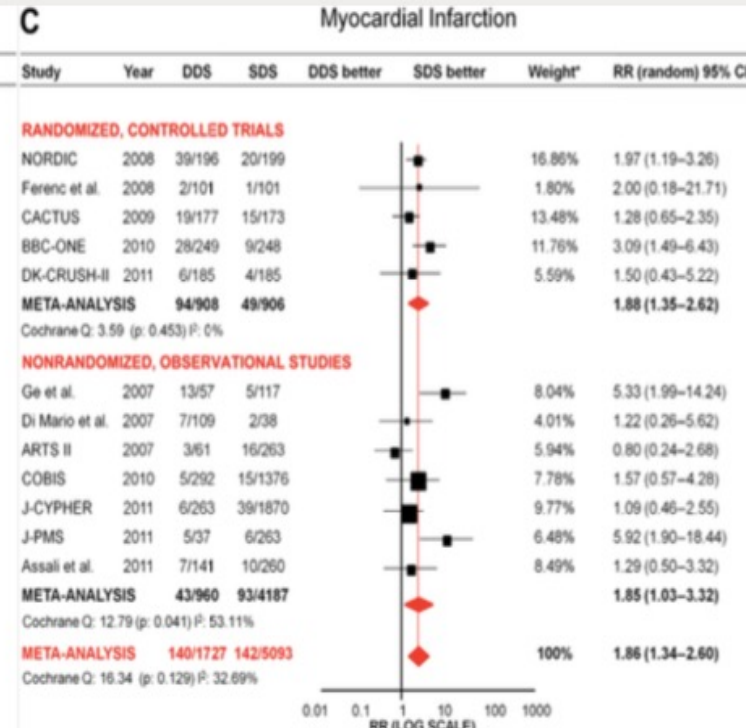
More difficult rewiring
Of both branches
Double stent layer

Meta Analysis of 12 Major Studies, 6961 Patients (5 RCTs and 7 observational studies)

DES Thrombosis



Myocardial Infarction



1. Wire both branches
2. Dilate MB if needed
3. Stent MB and leave wire in the SB
4. Post-dilatation of MB with jailed wire in SB

Bifurcation Stenting
Keep it simple, but open!

Single-stent

Two-stent

Single-stent

Two-stent

Provisional stenting is *a treatment philosophy* rather than *a technique*

Approach bifurcations in a stepwise manner:

- ✓ ***Add layers of complexity as necessary***
- ✓ ***Stop when you have a good result***
- ✓ ***End up with two stents only when necessary***

PERIPROCEDURAL MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION

- ✓ Myocardial infarction (MI) may occur in the periprocedural period
- ✓ Accordingly, in bifurcation studies, a PMI is defined by either an absolute **rise ≥ 35** upper limit of normal (ULN) threshold for type T hs-cTn plus clinical evidence of MI or an absolute cTn **rise ≥ 70** ULN as a stand-alone criterion within 48 hours of the PCI or coronary artery bypass graft (CABG)
- ✓ Such criteria reflect the SCAI definition, except for the use of hs-cTn have been calculated based on the SCAI CK-MB cutoff values (≥ 5 ULN and ≥ 10 ULN, respectively)

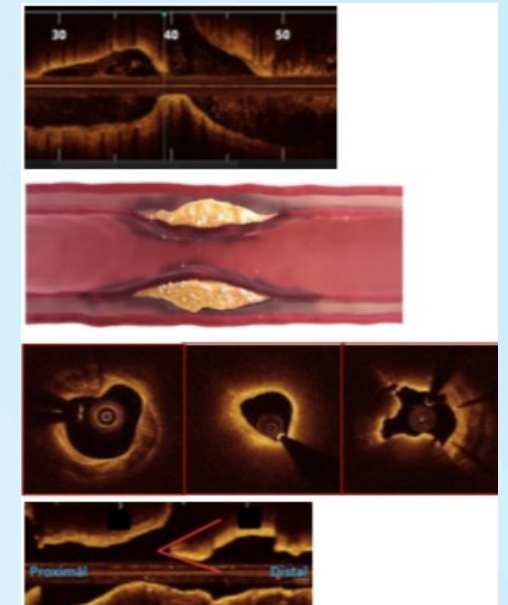
ROLE OF IMAGING IN BIFURCATION PCI

Pre-procedure: Optimal selection of devices and PCI strategy

- ✓ Measurement of dimensions for lumen and vessel in MV and SB
- ✓ Assessment of atherosclerotic plaque morphology, burden, longitudinal distribution, calcification and negative remodeling
- ✓ Detection of angiographically silent disease
- ✓ Assessment of the risk of SB compromise

Post-PCI: Optimization of the procedure

- ✓ Stent apposition
- ✓ Stent expansion
- ✓ Full lesion coverage by the stent
- ✓ Stent edge dissection
- ✓ Plaque prolapse inside stent
- ✓ SB residual stenosis and dissection
- ✓ Optimal GW recrossing before SB dilation and subsequent adequate clearance of jailing struts after SB dilation.



Lower mortality with use of intravascular imaging to guide uLMS PCI

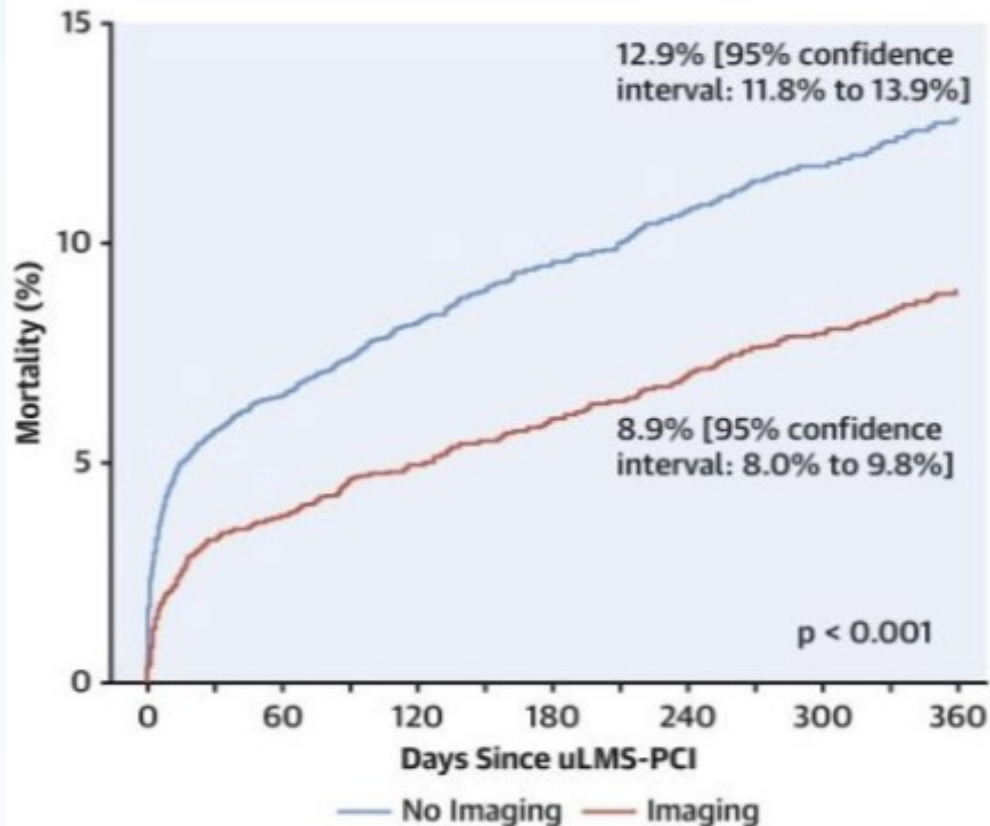
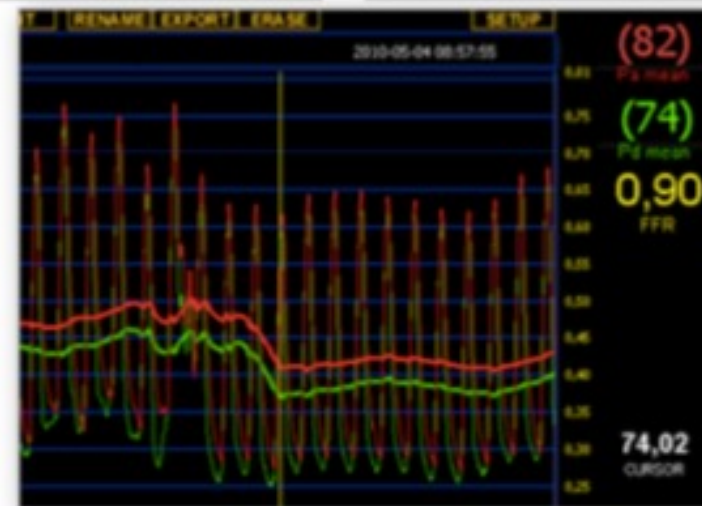
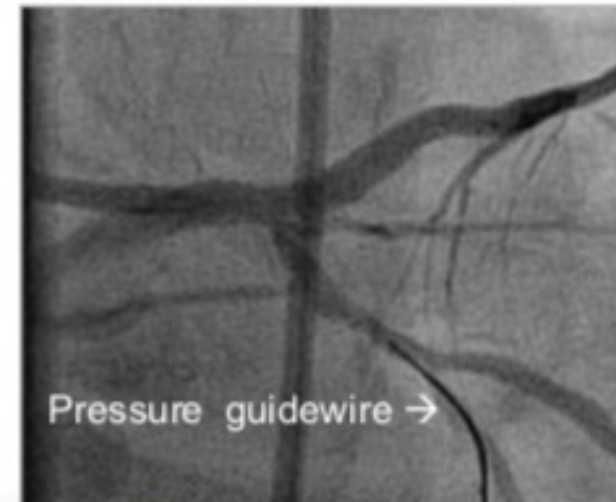
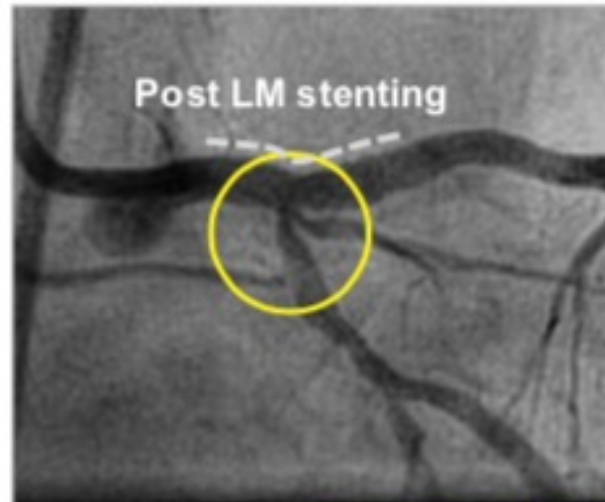


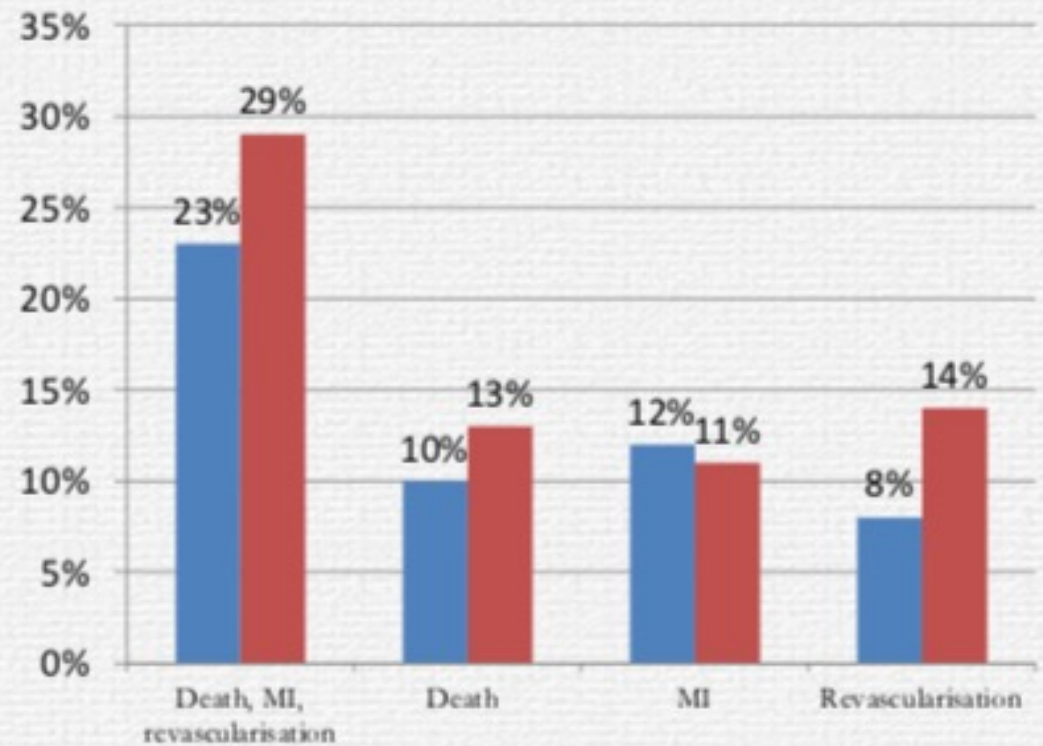
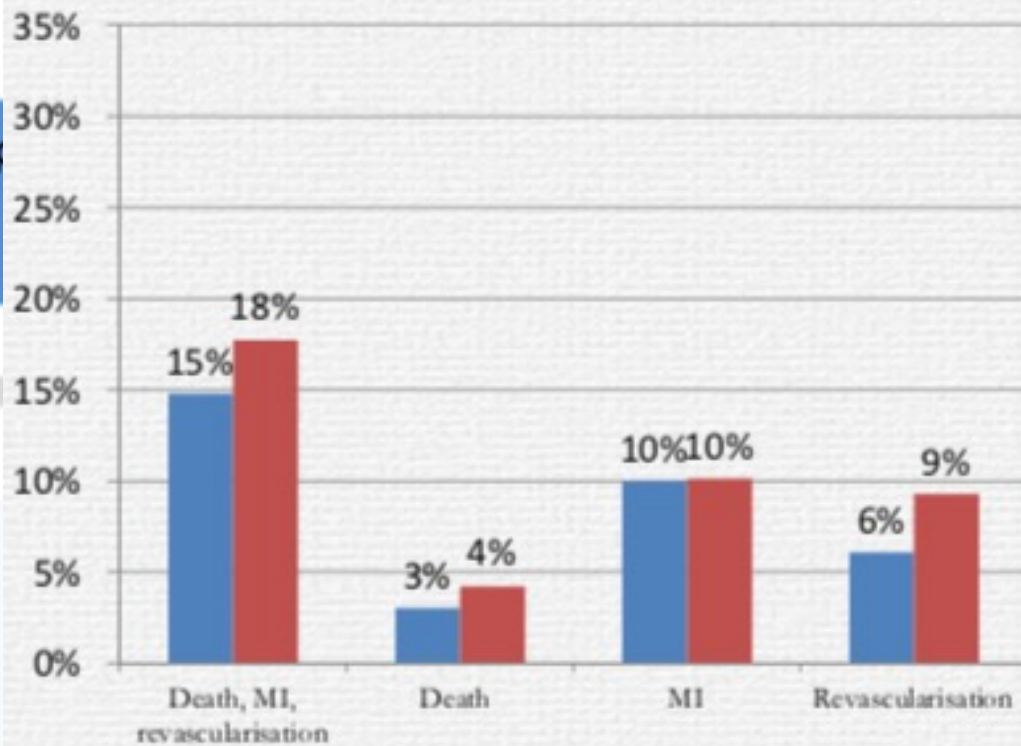
TABLE 5 Adjusted Clinical Outcomes by Imaging Status for uLMS PCI

	OR for Imaging vs. No Imaging	95% CI	p Value
Coronary perforation	0.920	0.590-1.420	0.689
Coronary dissection	0.820	0.690-0.980	0.028
Major side branch loss	0.810	0.540-1.200	0.282
Slow flow	0.510	0.330-0.770	0.001
Any coronary complication	0.780	0.670-0.910	0.001
Acute kidney failure	1.050	0.530-2.080	0.888
In-hospital death	0.390	0.290-0.510	<0.001
In-hospital MACCE	0.470	0.380-0.590	<0.001
In-hospital major bleed	0.890	0.590-1.340	0.565
Mortality at 30 days	0.540	0.430-0.680	<0.001
Mortality at 12 months	0.660	0.570-0.770	<0.001

USE OF CORONARY PHYSIOLOGY: WHY FIX WHAT ISN'T BROKEN?

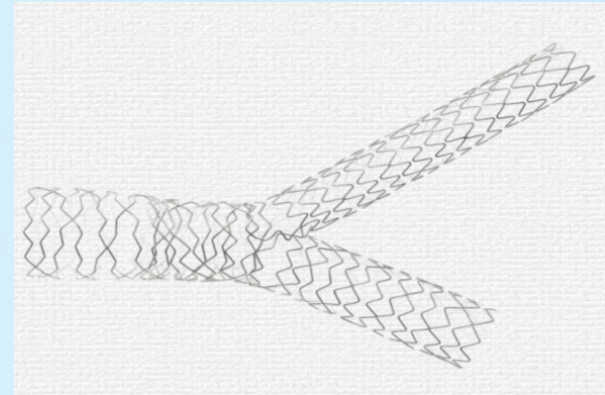


EBC MAIN results 1yr : 3yrs



EBC MAIN

- ✓ Resolute Onyx was selected as the study device for its broad size matrix
- ✓ 4.5 mm and 5.0 mm diameters expand to 6.0 mm
- ✓ Sustained radial strength and structural integrity with overexpansion
- ✓ Capacity to adapt to tapered vessel diameters
- ✓ Good outcomes at 3 years with bifurcation left main stem PCI
- ✓ No difference in 3-yr primary endpoint (death/MI/TLR) between groups
- ✓ Almost twice as much TLR in the systematic dual stent group
- ✓ Only 20% of patients in provisional group required a second stent
- ✓ It is not necessary to decide the number of stents before you start



HYBRID DEB

Patients included in this study will receive PCI using provisional approach (implantation of drug-eluting stent (DES) in the main branch).

Patients with an unsatisfactory result of the SB after provisional PCI ($\geq 70\%$ residual stenosis and/or diminished flow $<$ TIMI III will be randomized in a 1:1 ratio to receive the Hybrid DEB approach or the two-stent strategy

CONCLUSIONS

- ✓ **Stent technique should depend on individual anatomical characteristics and the operator's skill and experience**
- ✓ **Stepwise provisional is logical, reproducible, and versatile and remains the strategy of choice for most bifurcations**
- ✓ **Elective two-stent strategies may be considered for important SB with complex/extensive stenosis, difficult SB access or high risk of SB compromise; for operators with appropriate experience, DK-Crush is a valuable option for complex LM bifurcation lesions**
- ✓ **Use of imaging and physiology strongly encouraged to decide the appropriate stenting strategy and optimize the result of PCI**

