

Comment traiter les lésions calcifiées des artères fémoro-poplitées

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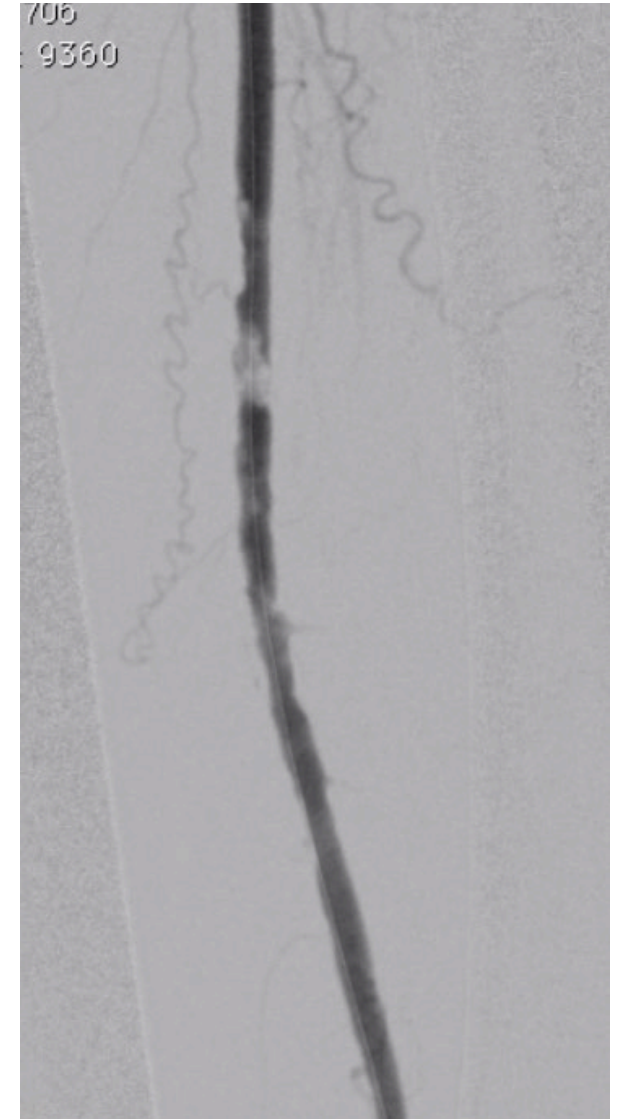
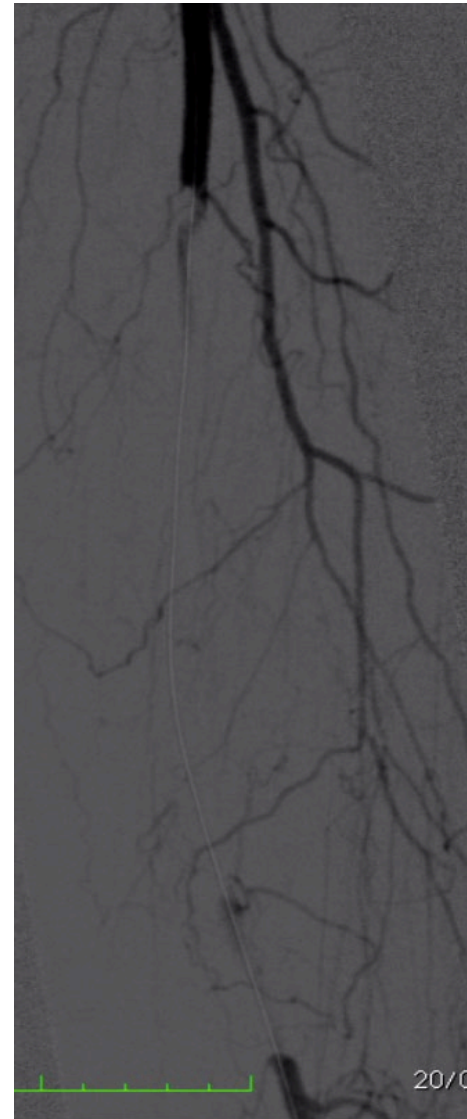
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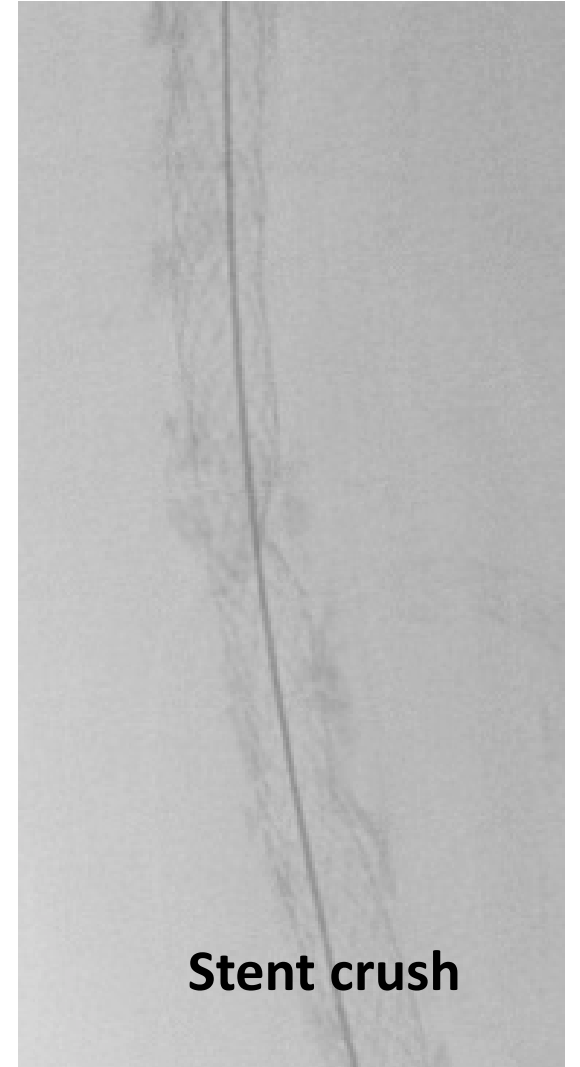
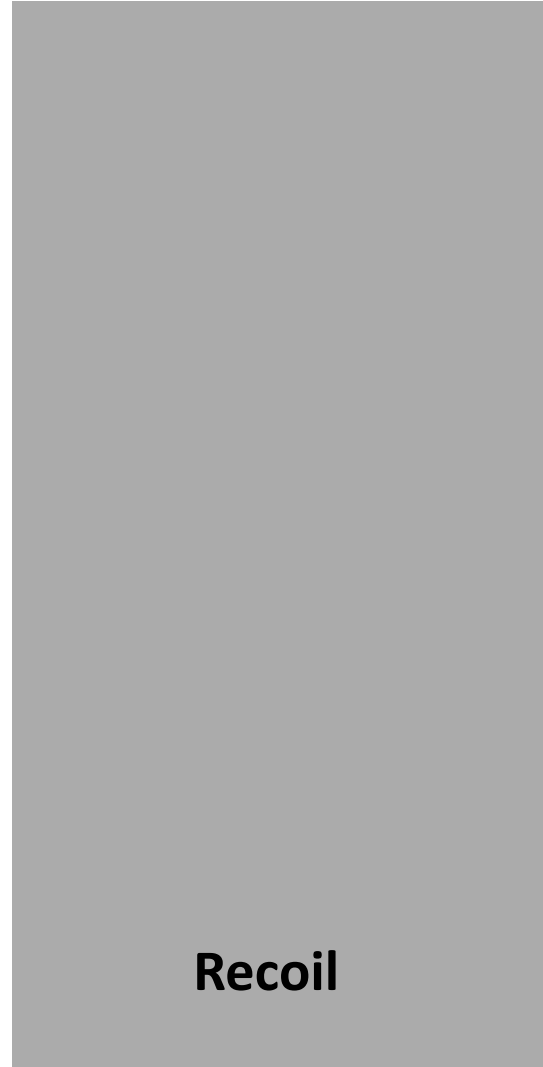
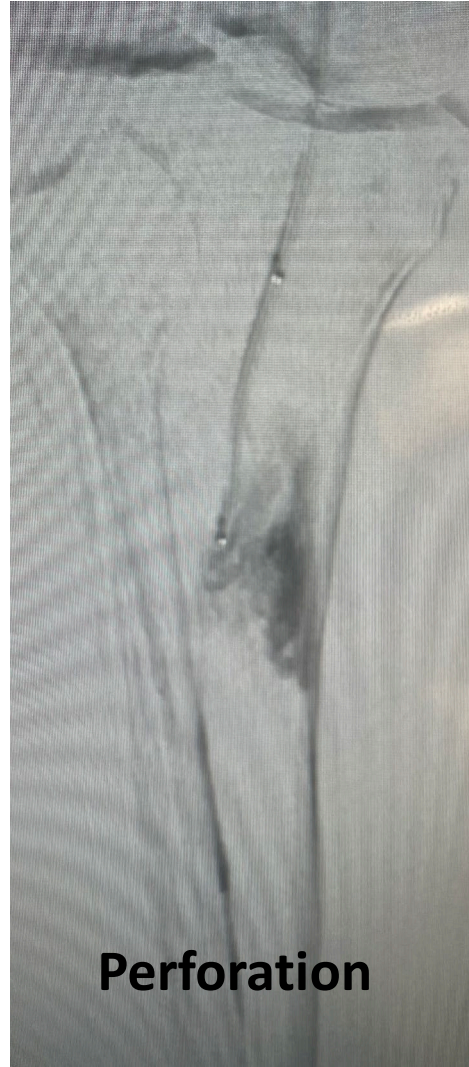
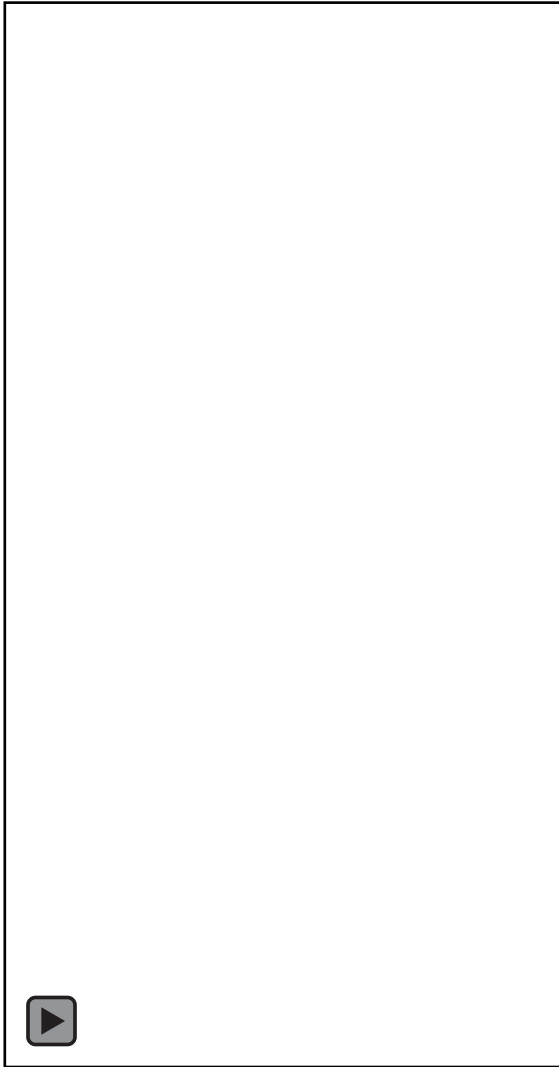
Factors associated with restenosis in peripheral interventions

- Lesion length¹
- Diabetes²
- CTOs³
- Calcification⁴

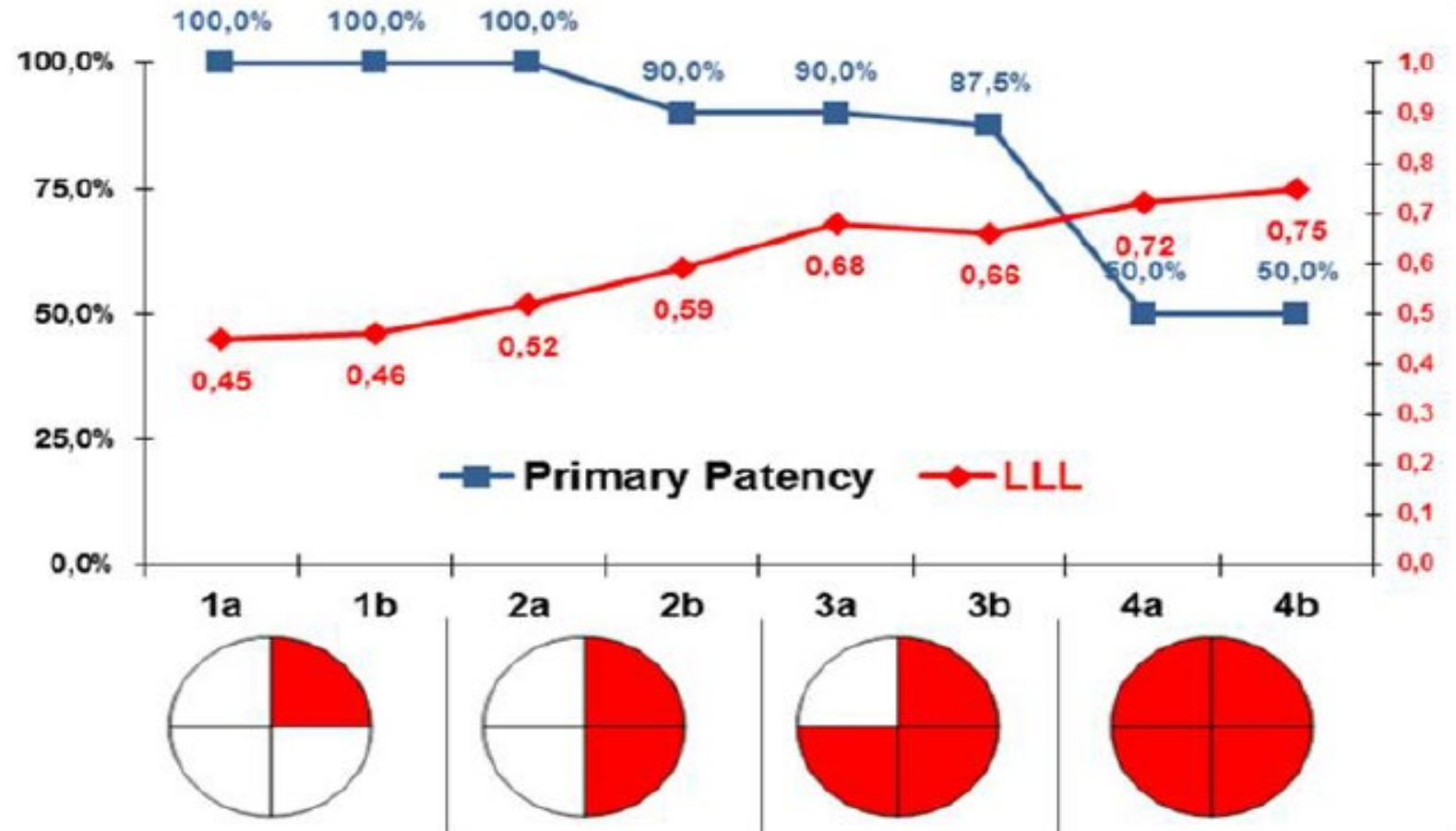
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Challenges associated with treating calcified lesions

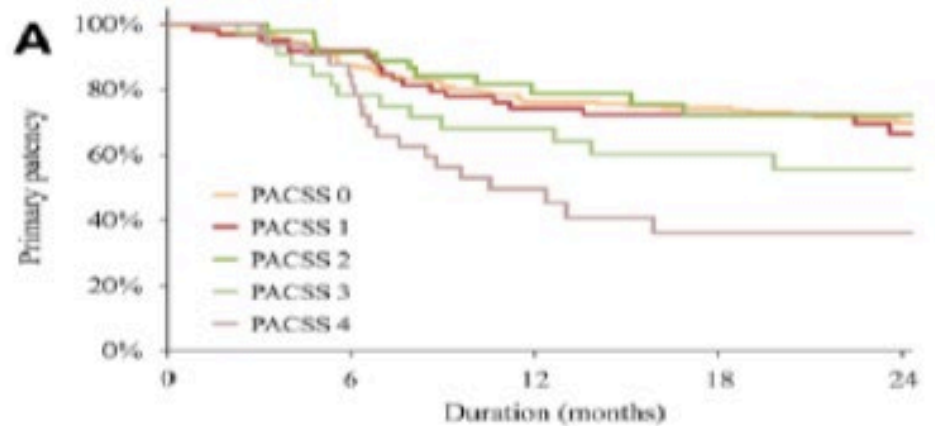


Impact of calcium

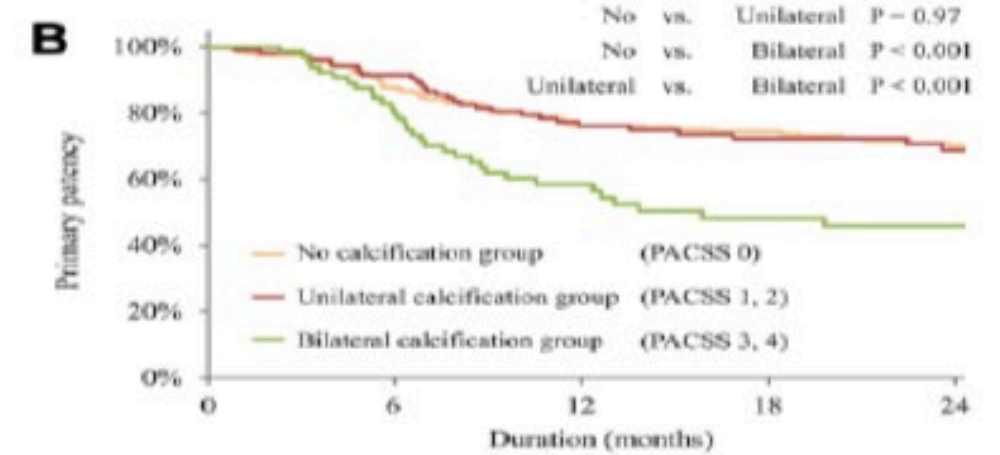


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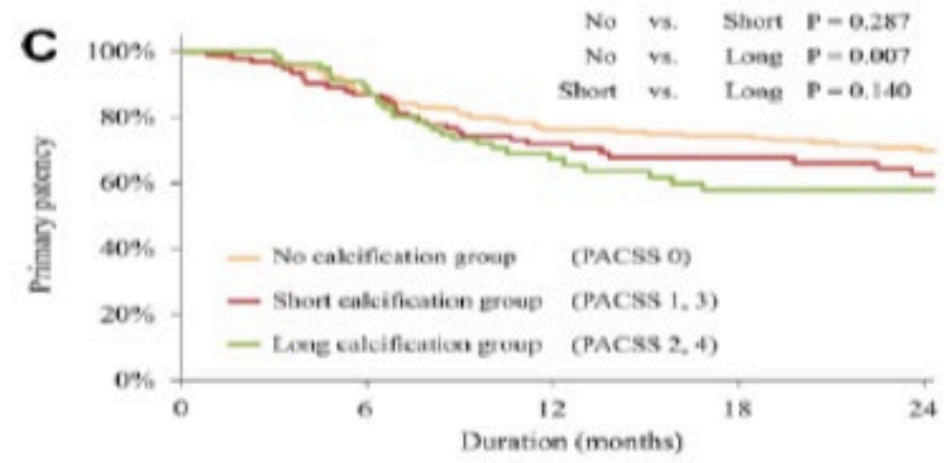
Impact of calcium



PACSS 0	214	175	138	113	85
PACSS 1	63	55	41	32	24
PACSS 2	47	41	28	21	16
PACSS 3	36	25	20	14	11
PACSS 4	34	27	13	8	7



No	214	194	169	118	62
Unilateral	110	102	84	57	28
Bilateral	70	62	51	29	15



No	214	194	169	118	62
Short	99	77	59	45	33
Long	81	67	40	28	22

Okuno et al. JEVT 2016

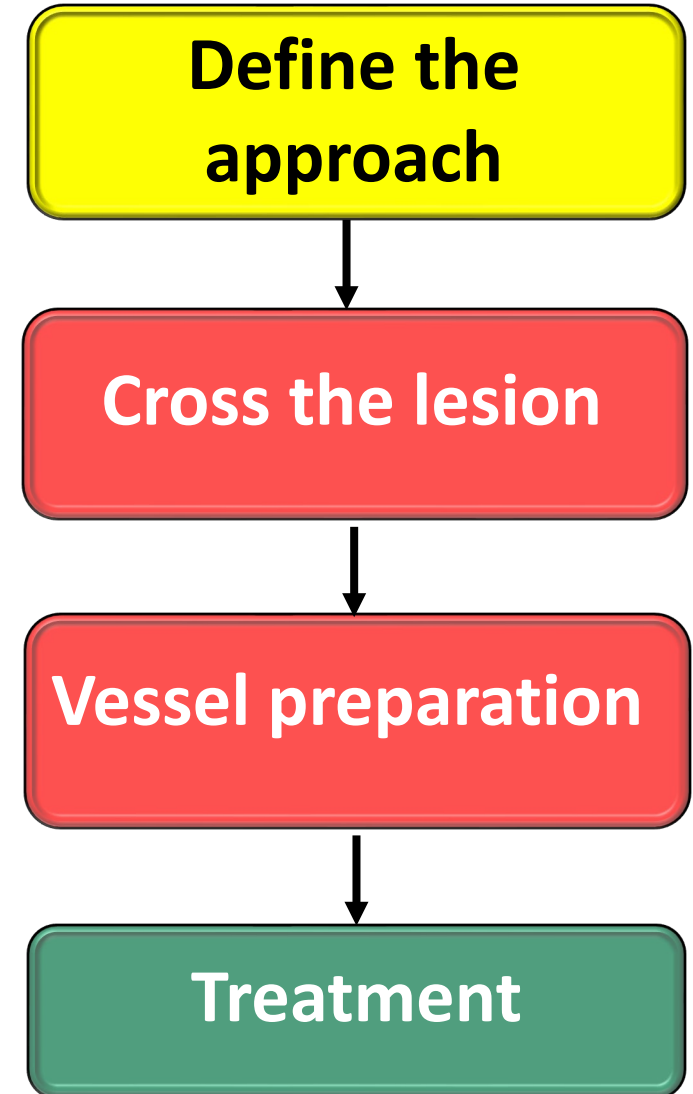
How do treat a calcified lesion ?

Retrograde femoral, antegrade femoral, pedal, axillary, brachial, radial...

Intraluminal, subintimal, re-entry devices, SAFARI...

POBA, Scoring balloonn - Chocolate balloon – Intravascular lithotrypsie - Atherectomy...







Coated and non coated devices (coverd stents)



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Subintimal vs Intraluminal crossing

Subintimal Versus Intraluminal Approach for Femoropopliteal Chronic Total Occlusions Treated With Intravascular Ultrasound Guidance

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Subintimal vs Intraluminal crossing


Variable	Overall population			Matched population		
	SWP (n=186)	IWP (n=314)	SD (%)	SWP (n=170)	IWP (n=293)	SD (%)
Peripheral Arterial Calcium Scoring System classification						
Grade 0	39.2%	33.4%	12.1	38.8%	37.0%	3.7
Grade 1	20.4%	18.2%	5.8	19.4%	20.0%	1.4
Grade 2	14.5%	14.3%	0.5	15.9%	14.1%	5.1
Grade 3	8.6%	10.8%	7.5	7.6%	8.9%	4.7
Grade 4	17.2%	23.2%	15.1	18.2%	20.0%	4.5

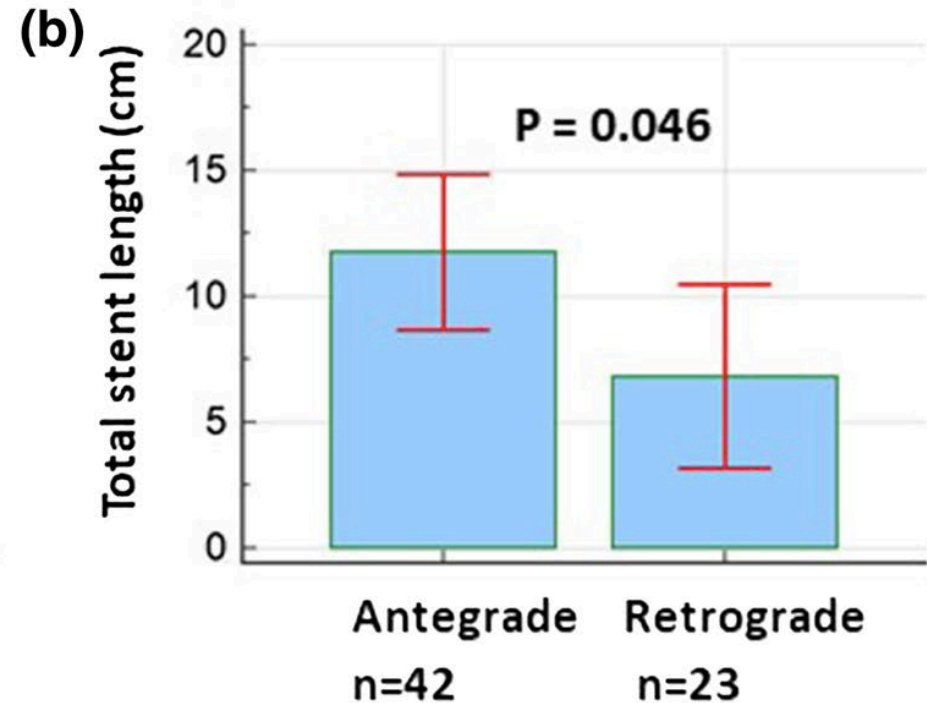
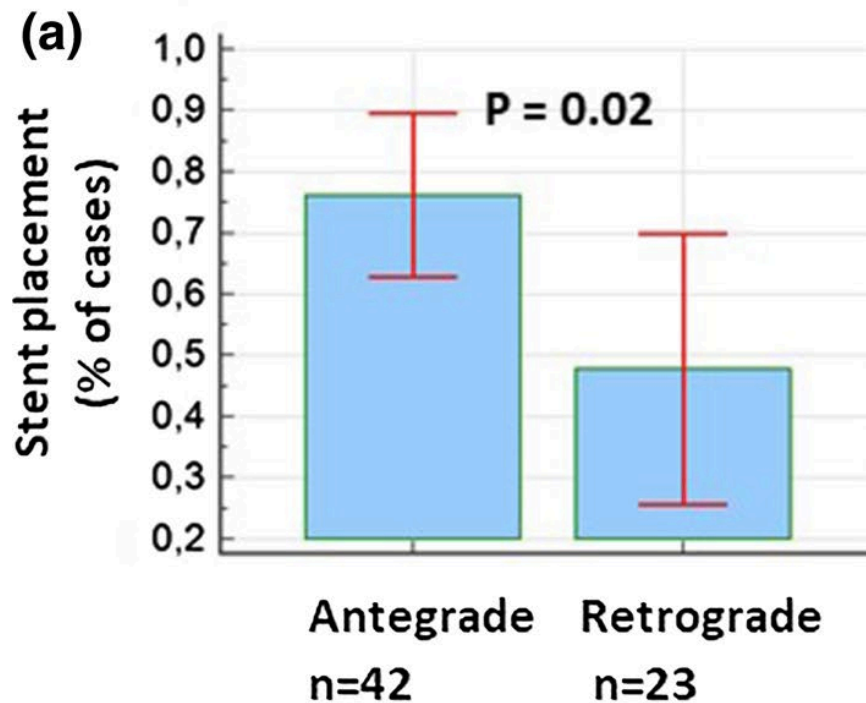
	Subintimal wire passage	Intraluminal wire passage	P value
1-year clinical outcomes			
Restenosis	48.2% (33.4–63.1%)	40.8% (18.3–63.4%)	0.40
All-cause mortality	5.5% (1.9–8.9%)	8.6% (3.7–13.4%)	0.70
Major amputation	1.7% (0.0–4.1%)	1.3% (0.0–3.0%)	0.98
Major adverse limb events	18.8% (11.9–25.2%)	17.6% (10.7–23.9%)	0.55

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Antegrade vs Retrograde access

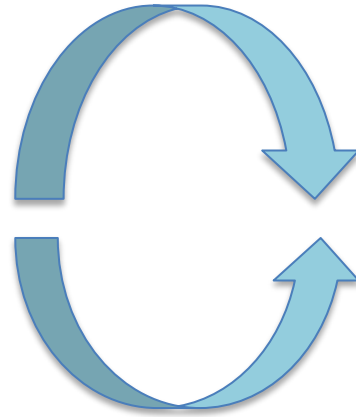
Comparison of ante-versus retrograde access for the endovascular treatment of long and calcified, de novo femoropopliteal occlusive lesions

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Vessel preparation...



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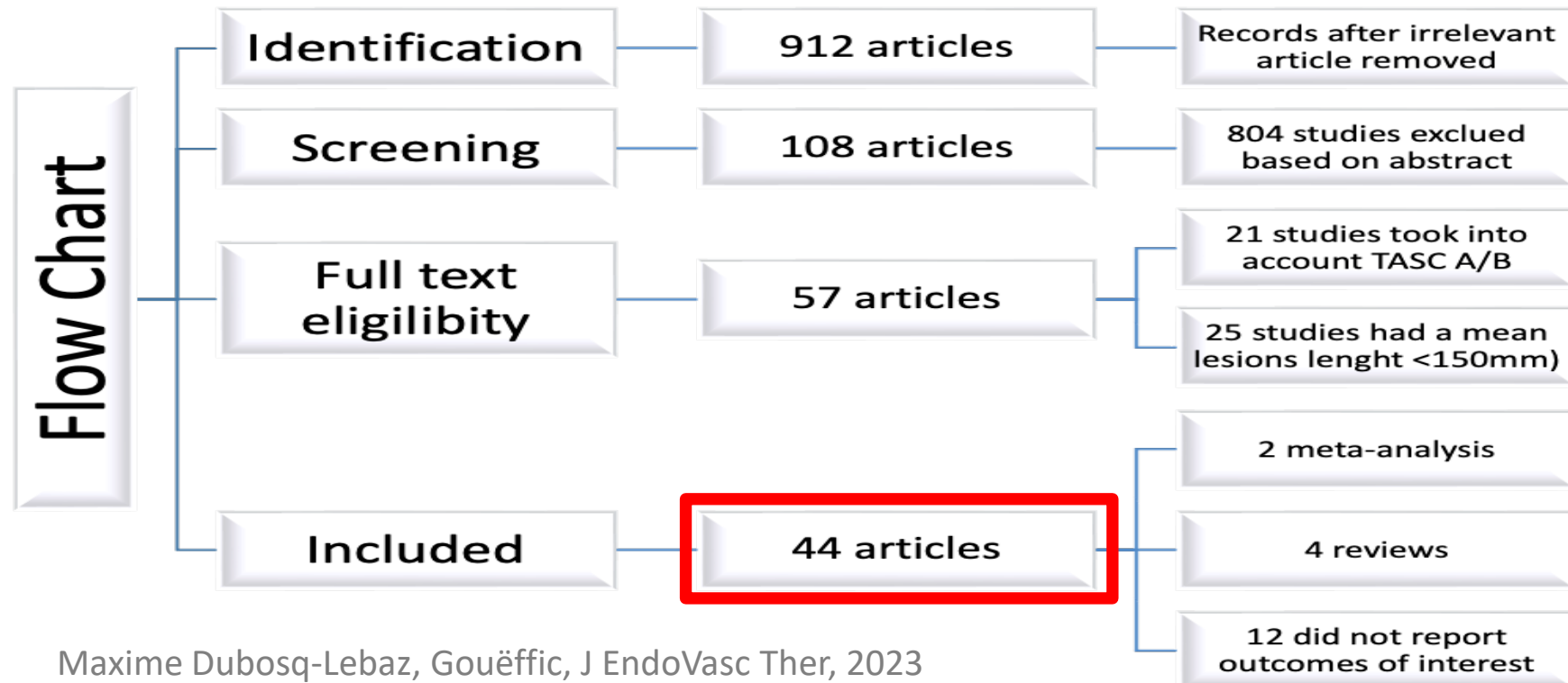
Treatment

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Treatment

Systematic Review and Meta-analysis of Clinical Outcomes After Endovascular Treatment in Patients With Femoropopliteal Lesions Greater Than 150 mm

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Patency Based on Devices

<p>Bare metal stent: 23 studies</p> <p>Common effect model Random effects model $I^2 = 90\%$, $\chi^2_{df} = 211.09$</p>  <p>0.75 [0.74; 0.77] 64.3% — 0.68 [0.62; 0.73] — 50.3%</p>	<p>Covered studies: 10 studies</p> <p>Common effect model Random effects model $I^2 = 73\%$, $\chi^2_{df} = 33.64$</p>  <p>0.69 [0.66; 0.73] 10.7% — 0.67 [0.60; 0.74] — 21.0%</p>
<p>Drug coated and eluting stents: 8 studies</p> <p>Common effect model Random effects model $I^2 = 83\%$, $\chi^2_{df} = 41.9$</p>  <p>0.77 [0.74; 0.80] 11.0% — 0.74 [0.64; 0.84] — 17.1%</p>	<p>Drug coated balloons: 5 studies</p> <p>Common effect model Random effects model $I^2 = 61\%$, $\chi^2_{df} = 10.23$</p>  <p>0.83 [0.80; 0.86] 14.0% — 0.83 [0.78; 0.88] — 11.7%</p>

Drug coated devices seem to have a better patency rate at 1-year

SPORTs

Study Design

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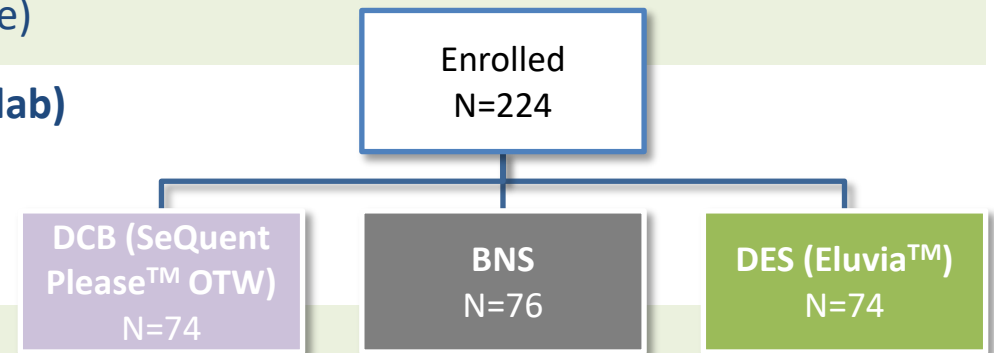
Design Prospective, randomized (1:1:1), open-label, multicenter

Objective Compare angiographic and clinical outcomes of TASC C/D lesions in the SFA after treatment with DES (Eluvia™ Drug Eluting Vascular Stent System, Boston Scientific), DCB (SeQuent Please™ OTW, BBraun), or BNS (bare nitinol stent, any commercially available)

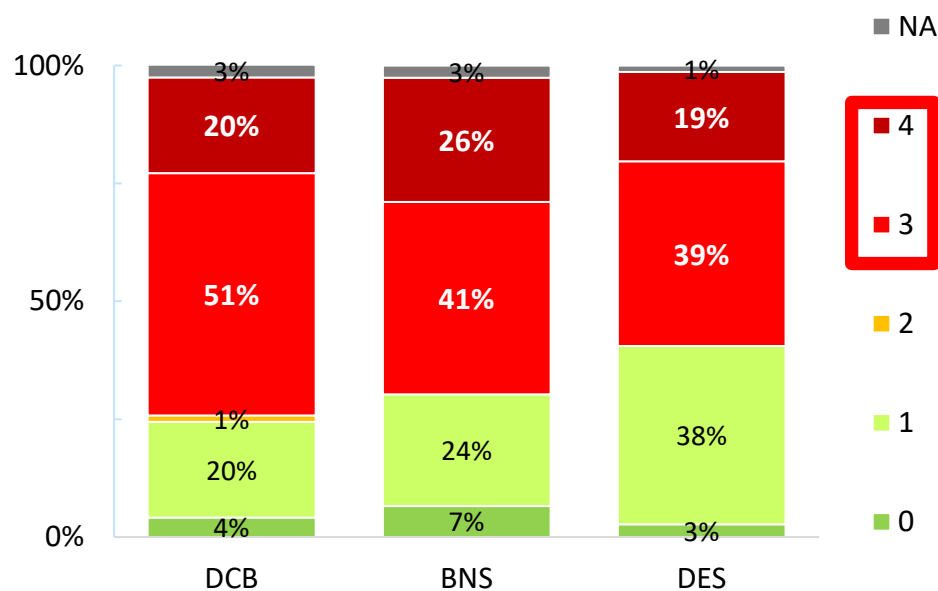
Primary Endpoint Angiographic diameter stenosis at 12 months (core lab)
Hypothesis:
1) Superiority of DES over BNS
2) Noninferiority of DCB versus BNS

Patients N=224
Key inclusion criteria:

- Rutherford classes 2-4
- **Lesion length at least 13 cm** (treatment length at least 15 cm)
- Lesions in the SFA and/or proximal popliteal artery
- Diameter stenosis $\geq 70\%$



Calcification (PACSS)



	DCB (N=74)	BNS (N=76)	DES (N=74)	P-value
Lesion length, mm	221 ± 87	227 ± 78	235 ± 78	0.57
Occlusion	70%	74%	85%	0.08
Occlusion length, mm	175 ± 91	151 ± 81	179 ± 89	0.18
RVD, mm	5.0 ± 0.6	5.2 ± 0.7	5.3 ± 0.7	0.01
MLD in lesion, mm	0.4 ± 0.7	0.3 ± 0.7	0.2 ± 0.6	0.18
% Diameter Stenosis	92.6 ± 13.2	94.2 ± 11.7	96.8 ± 9.7	0.10
Bail out stent	58%	--	--	--

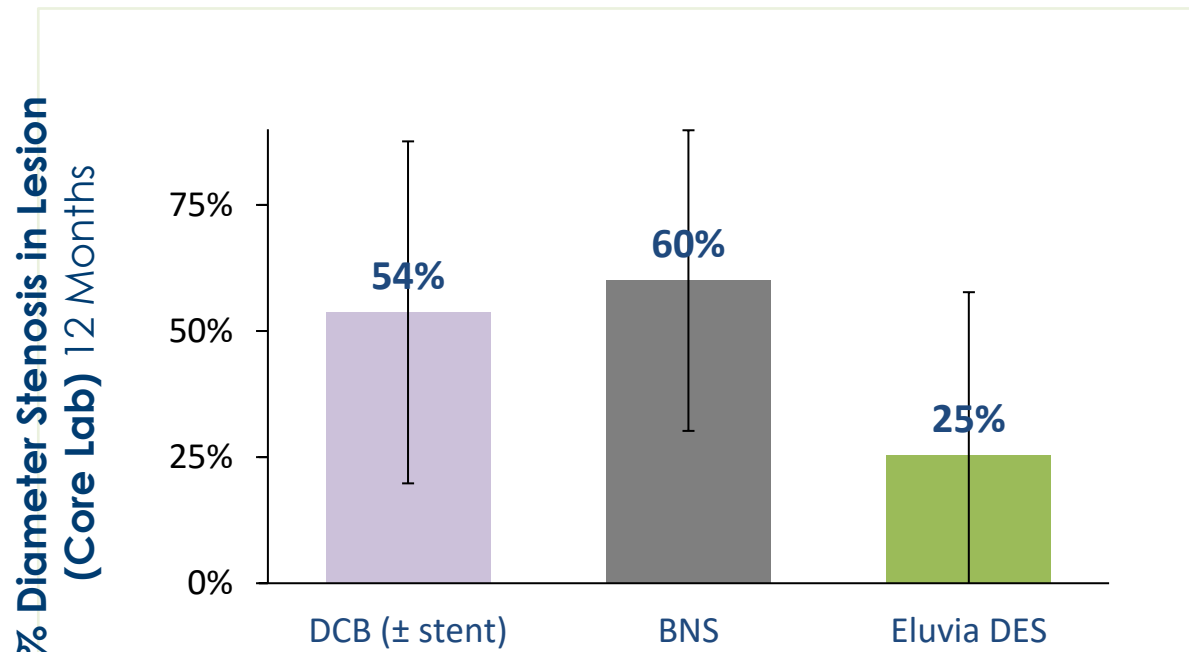
Mean ± SD or %. Core lab.

bare nitinol stent; DCB, drug-coated balloon (SeQuent Please™ OTW); DES, drug-eluting stent (Eluvia™); PACSS, Peripheral Arterial Calcification Severity Score; RVD, reference vessel diameter. This investigator-sponsored study is supported by grant funding from Boston Scientific. Boston Scientific is not responsible for the collection, analysis or reporting of these studies which remain the sole responsibility of the investigators. Sequent Please not available for sale in the United States.

SPORTs

12-month angiographic results superior for Eluvia DES vs BNS

DCB strategy non-inferior vs BNS

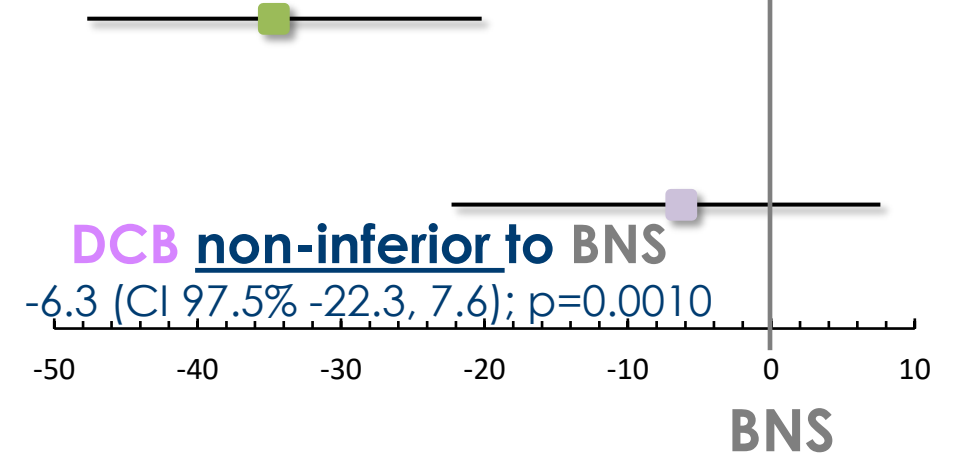


Primary Endpoint: % Diameter Stenosis vs BNS

12 Months

Eluvia DES superior to BNS

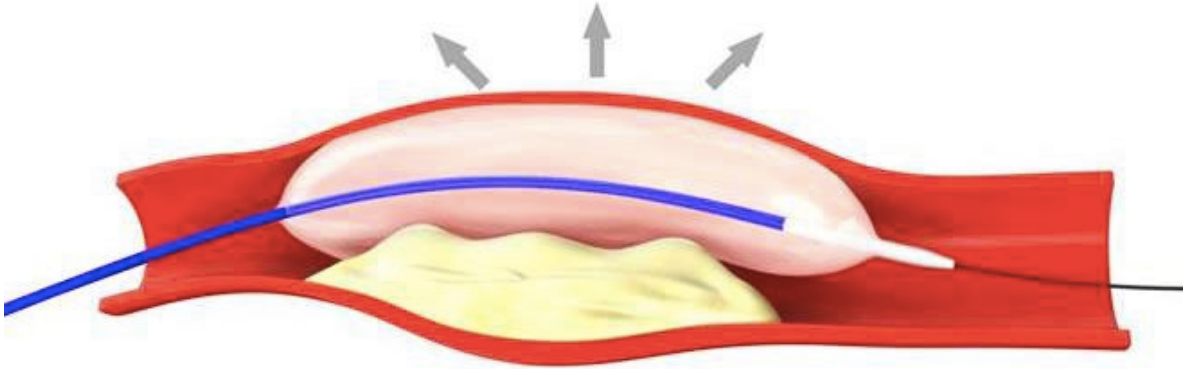
-34.7 (CI 97.5% -47.7, -20.2); p<0.0001



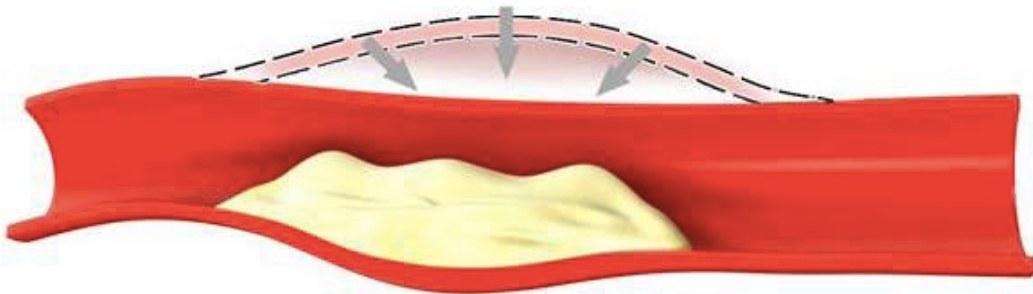
Drug coated devices seems to provide the best outcomes

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Vessel preparation: POBA problems

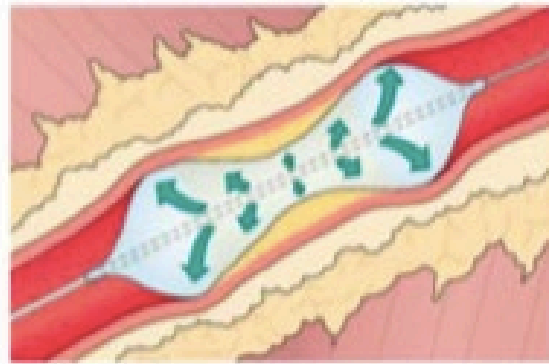


Vessel non-compliance leads to overstretch in non-diseased tissue causing **dissection**, **recoil**, excessive injury and poor outcomes

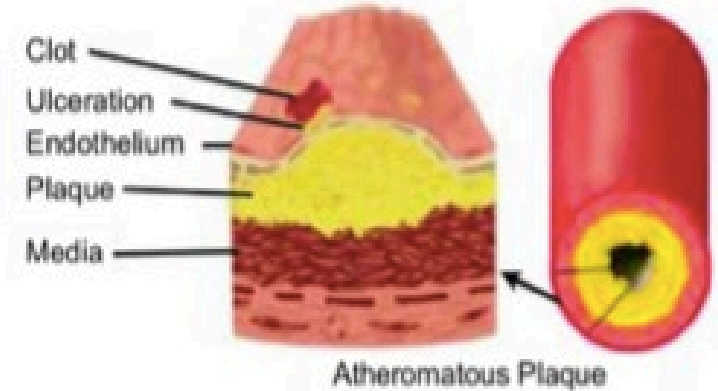
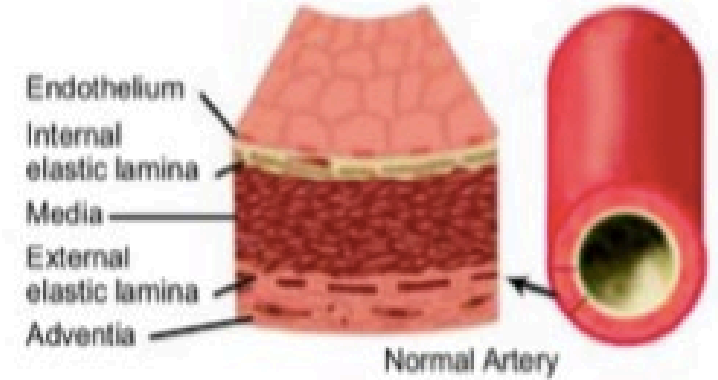


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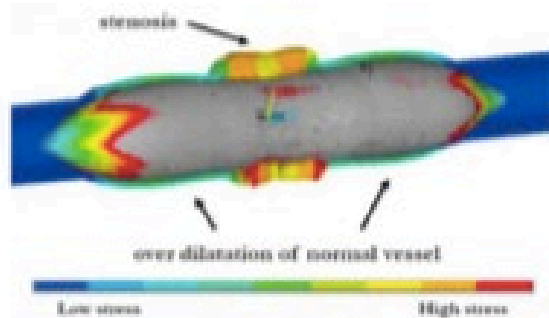


High Pressure Inflation
↑ Wall Stress



Restenosis
Revascularization failure

↑ **Injury**
Disrupts IEL



Courtesy of K. Stavroulakis

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Vessel preparation and drug coated devices

Clinical Investigation

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Drug-Eluting Balloon Therapy for Femoropopliteal Occlusive Disease: Predictors of Outcome With a Special Emphasis on Calcium

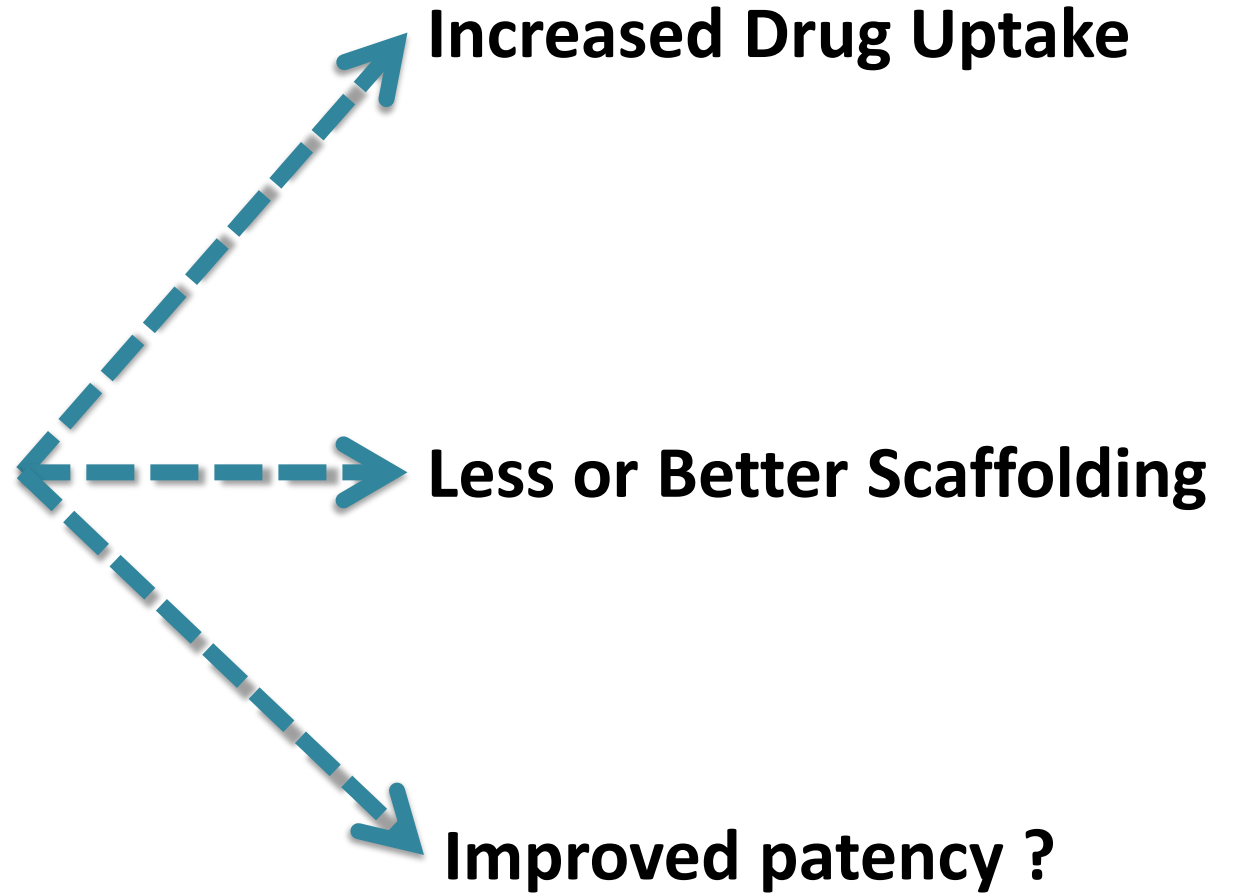
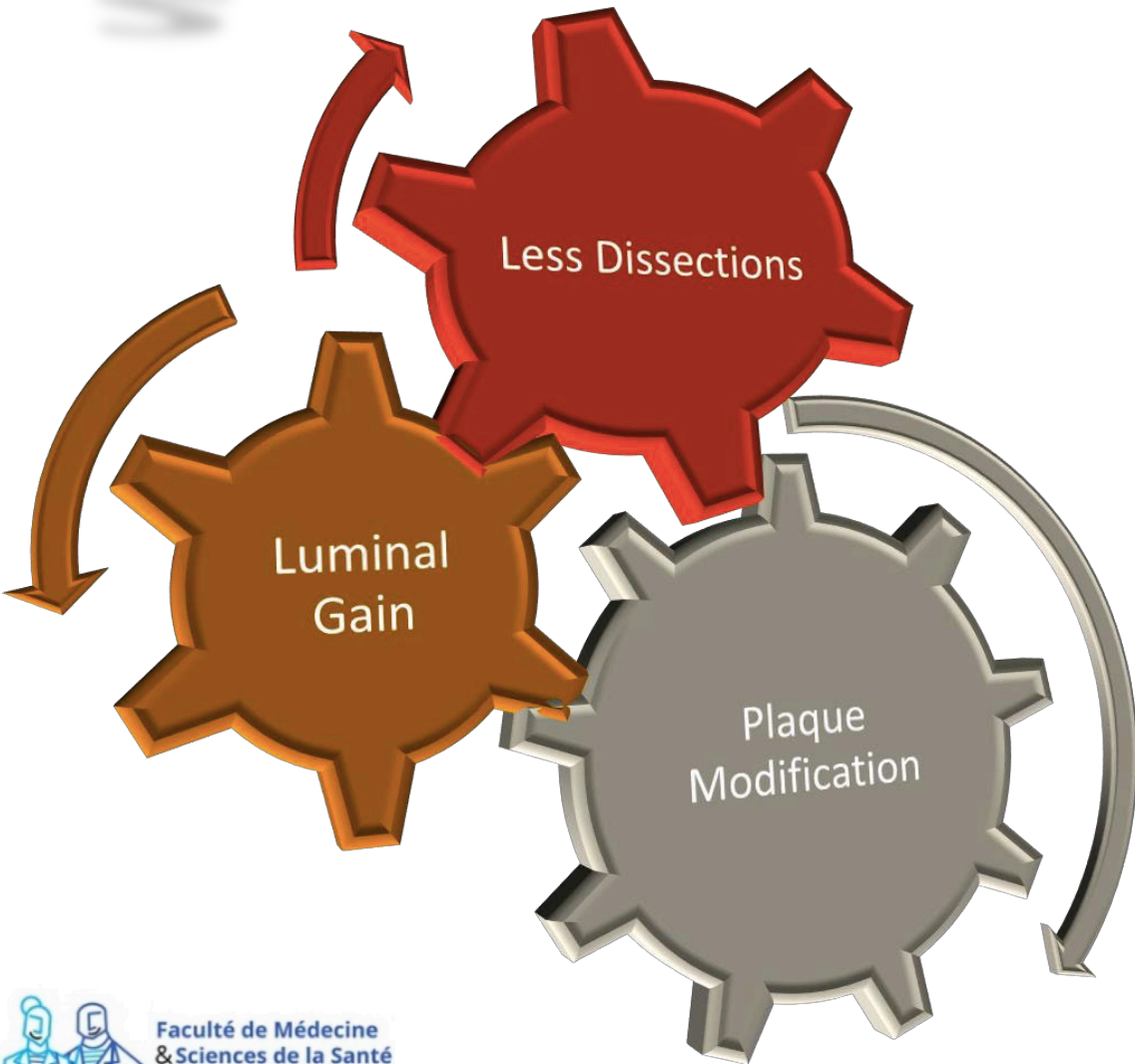
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- Retrospective analysis of 91 patients
 - Analysed at 6M post DCB
- Lesion calcification analysed by core labs (PACSS score + angiographic calcium score)
 - **Severity of lesion calcification is associated with LLL after treatment with DCB.**
- Author conclusion: **“One possible approach to overcome this limitation might be plaque modification or removal prior to DEB usage.”**

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Vessel preparation: Why Debulking ?



Drug uptake after vessel preparation

Calcified plaque modification alters local drug delivery in the treatment of peripheral atherosclerosis

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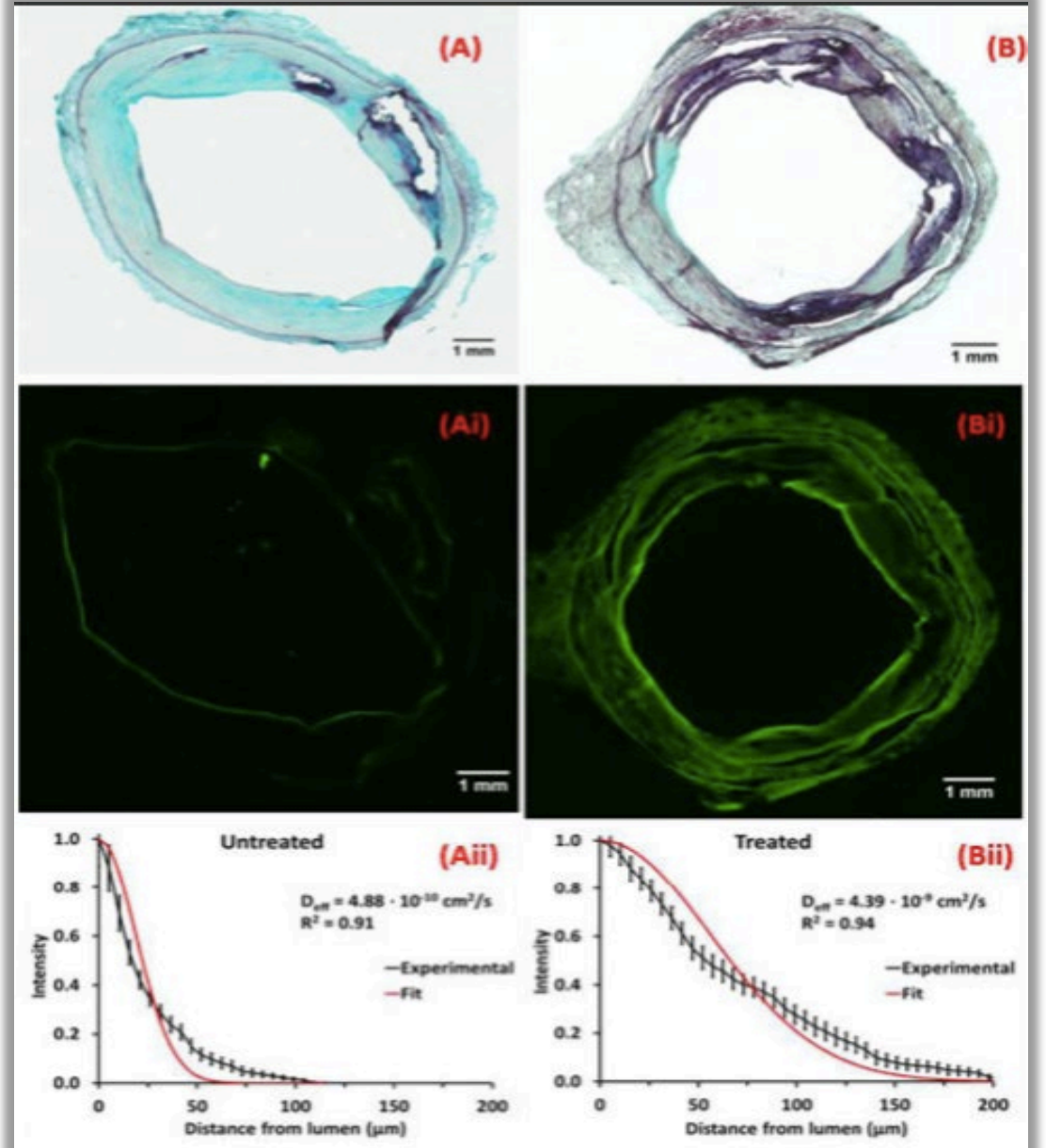
Abstract

Background—Calcific atherosclerosis is a major challenge to intraluminal drug delivery in peripheral artery disease (PAD).



Objectives—We evaluated the effects of orbital atherectomy on intraluminal paclitaxel delivery to human peripheral arteries with substantial calcified plaque.

Methods—Diagnostic angiography and 3-D rotational imaging of five fresh human lower limbs revealed calcification in all main arteries. The proximal or distal segment of each artery was treated using an orbital atherectomy system (OAS) under simulated blood flow and fluoroscopy. Explanted arterial segments underwent either histomorphometric assessment of effect or tracking of ¹⁴C-labeled or fluorescent-labeled paclitaxel. Radiolabeled drug quantified bulk delivery and fluorescent label established penetration of drug over finer spatial domain in serial microscopic sections. Results were interpreted using a mathematical model of binding-diffusion mediated arterial drug distribution.

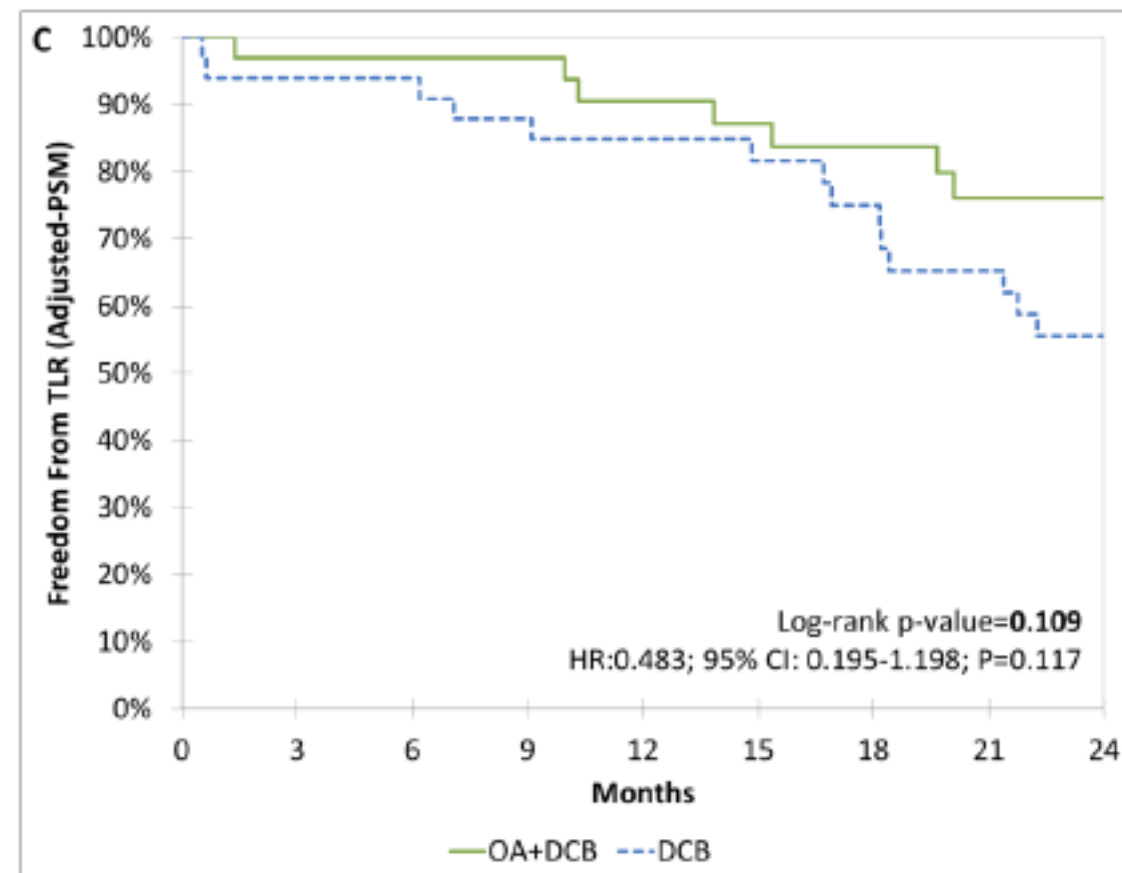
Results—Lesion composition affected paclitaxel absorption and distribution in cadaveric human peripheral arteries. Pretreatment imaging calcium scores in control femoropopliteal arterial segments correlated with a log-linear decline in the bulk absorption rate-constant of ¹⁴C-labeled, declining 5.5-fold per calcified quadrant ($p=0.05$, $n=7$). Compared to controls, OAS-treated femoropopliteal segments exhibited 180 μ m thinner intima ($p<0.001$), 45% less plaque calcification, and 2 log orders higher paclitaxel bulk absorption rate-constants. Correspondingly, fluorescent paclitaxel penetrated deeper in OAS-treated femoropopliteal segments compared to controls, due to a 70% increase in diffusivity ($p<0.001$).



Two-Year Outcomes of Orbital Atherectomy Combined With Drug-Coated Balloon Angioplasty for Treatment of Heavily Calcified Femoropopliteal Lesions

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113 patients (63 DCB vs 50 OA + DCB)
 Propensity score matching
 Bail-out stenting: 67% vs 39%, p=0.02



Months	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24
OA+DCB at risk	33	33	33	32	28	25	24	21	18
Events	0	1	1	1	3	5	5	7	7
FF TLR ± SE (%)	100 ± 0.00	97.0 ± 2.98	97.0 ± 2.98	97.0 ± 2.98	90.5 ± 5.22	83.7 ± 6.70	83.7 ± 6.70	76.1 ± 7.96	76.1 ± 7.96
DCB at risk	33	32	31	28	27	26	21	20	17
Events	0	2	3	5	5	6	11	12	14
FF TLR ± SE (%)	100 ± 0.00	93.9 ± 4.15	90.9 ± 5.00	84.8 ± 6.24	84.8 ± 6.24	81.6 ± 6.80	65.3 ± 8.50	62.0 ± 8.68	55.5 ± 8.91

Directional atherectomy before paclitaxel coated balloon angioplasty in complex femoropopliteal disease: The VIVA REALITY study

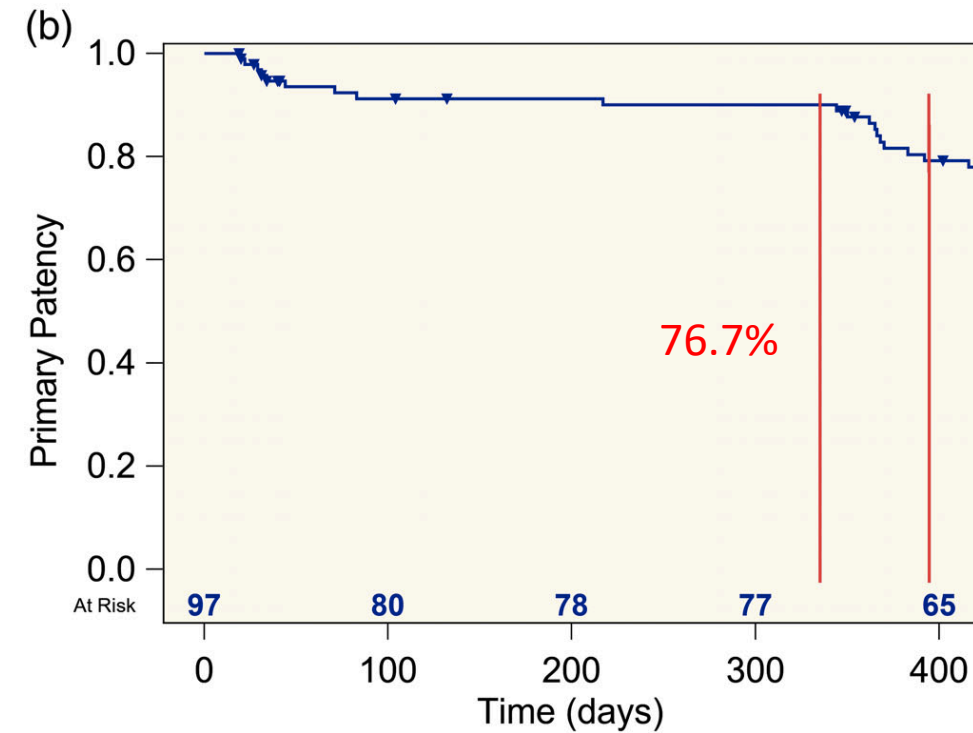
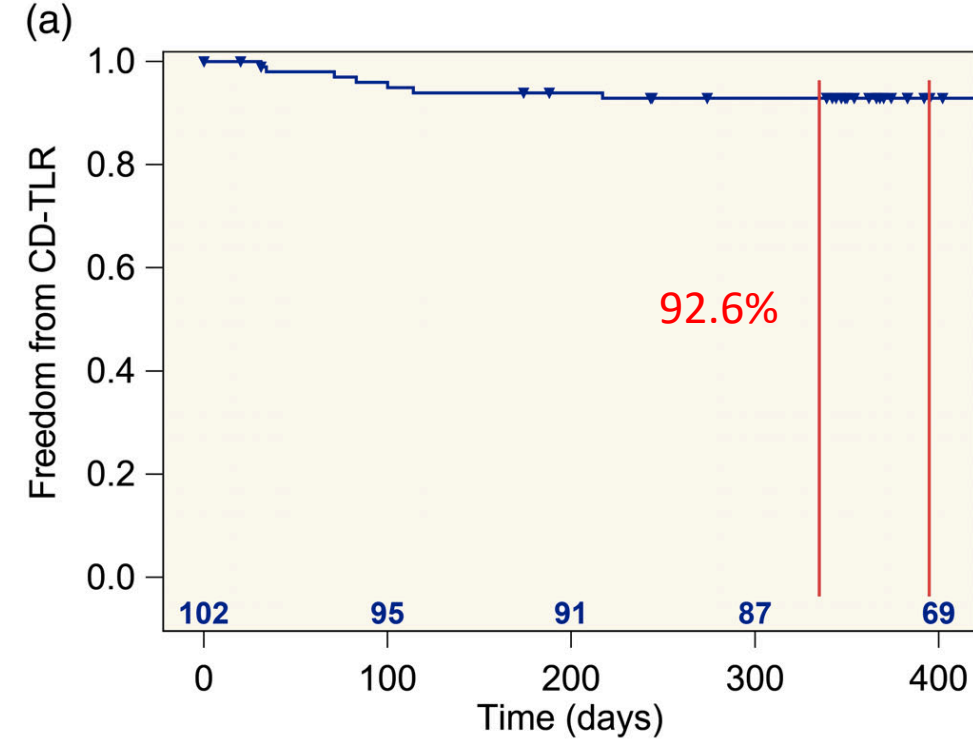
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13 multinational centers

Mean lesion length 17.9 ± 8.1 cm, PACSS 3 / 4, 39% CTO

102 patients, DA + DCB

Bailout stenting 8.8%



Intravascular Lithotripsy for Peripheral Artery Calcification: Mid-term Outcomes From the Randomized Disrupt PAD III Trial

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Disrupt PAD III RCT

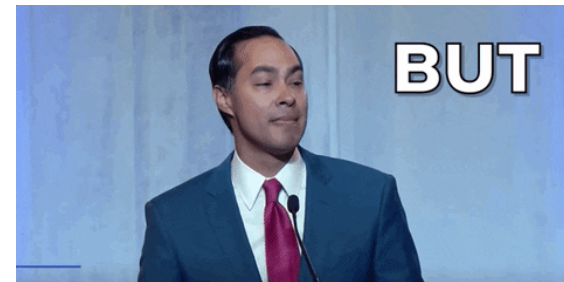
306 patients: IVL vs PTA prior to DCB or stenting

Endpoint: PP at 1 year (freedom from TLR + freedom from restenosis)

Acute PTA failure requiring stent placement during the procedure was prespecified as a loss of PP

Bailout stenting: 4.6% vs 18.3%, $p < 0.0001$

PP 1 year: 80.5% vs 68%, $p = 0.01$



Freedom from TLR (95.7% vs 98.3%, $p = 0.94$) and freedom from restenosis rates (90% vs 88.8%, $p = 0.48$) were similar

Systematic Review and Network Meta-analysis of Vessel Preparation Techniques With Plain Balloon Angioplasty, Atherectomy, or Intravascular Lithotripsy Before Application of a Drug Coated Balloon to Treat Atherosclerotic Femoropopliteal Disease

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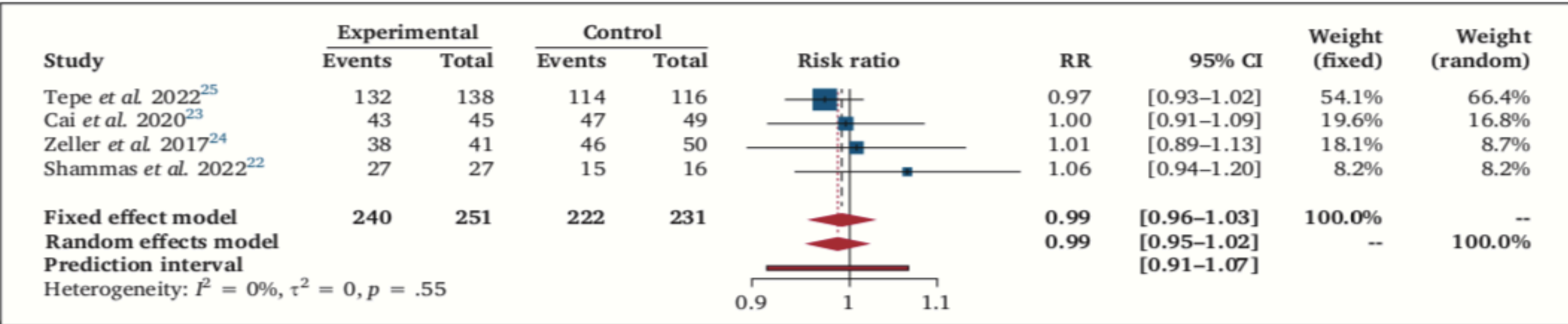
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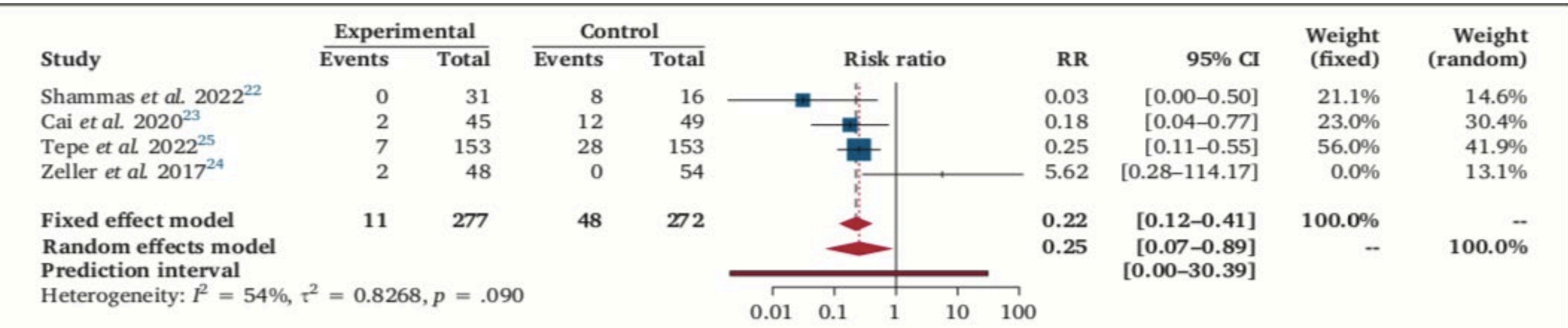
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Objective: To compare one year outcomes after atherectomy, intravascular lithotripsy vs. plain balloon angioplasty before application of drug coated balloons for treating femoropopliteal atherosclerotic disease.

Freedom from TLR



Bailout stenting



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LATE EDITION

Today, showers and thunderstorms, downpours may lead to flooding, high 82. Tonight, thunderstorms, low 72. Tomorrow, humid with sun, high 89. Weather map, Page 20.



Kelly Hanna, whose leg was amputated in 2020, received at least 18 artery-opening procedures on her legs from a Michigan doctor.

Patients Lost Limbs as Doctors and Health Care Giants Prospered

This article is by **Katie Thomas, Jessica Silver-Greenberg and Robert Gebeloff.**

Kelly Hanna's leg was amputated on a summer day in 2020, after a Michigan doctor who called himself "the leg saver" had damaged her arteries by snaking metal

OPERATING PROFITS 'The Leg Saver'

wires through them to clear away plaque.

It started with a festering wound on her left foot. Her podiatrist referred Ms. Hanna to Dr. Jihad Mustapha. Over 18 months,

he performed at least that many artery-opening procedures on Ms. Hanna's legs, telling her they would improve blood flow and prevent amputations.

They didn't — for Ms. Hanna or many of his other patients. Surgeons at nearby hospitals had seen so many of his patients with amputations and other problems that they complained to Michigan's medical board about his conduct. An insurance company told state authorities that 45 people had lost limbs after treatment at his clinics in the past four years.

Dr. Mustapha is no back-alley operator working in the shadows of the medical establishment, an investigation by The New York

Device Makers Finance Cottage Industry for Risky Procedures

Times has found. With the financial backing of medical device manufacturers, he has become a leader of a booming cottage industry that peddles risky procedures to millions of Americans — enriching doctors and device companies and sometimes costing patients their limbs.

The industry targets the roughly 12 million Americans with peripheral artery disease, in

which plaque, a sticky slurry of fat, calcium and other materials, accumulates in the arteries of the legs. For a tiny portion of patients, the plaque can choke off blood flow, leading to amputations or death.

But more than a decade of medical research has shown that the vast majority of people with peripheral artery disease have mild or no symptoms and don't require treatment, aside from getting more exercise and taking medication. Experts said even those who do have severe symptoms, like Ms. Hanna, shouldn't undergo repeated procedures in a short period of time.

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Beijing Targets Canada Critics From Overseas

Meddling With Ottawa Part of Global Aims

By **NORIMITSU ONISHI**

RICHMOND, British Columbia — The polls predicted a re-election victory, maybe even a landslide.

But a couple of weeks before the vote, Kenny Chiu, a member of Canada's Parliament and a critic of China's human rights record, was panicking. Something had flipped among the ethnic Chinese voters in his British Columbia district.

"Initially, they were supportive," he said. "And all of a sudden, they just vanished, vaporized, disappeared."

Longtime supporters originally from mainland China were not returning his calls. Volunteers reported icy greetings at formerly friendly homes. Chinese-language news outlets stopped covering him. And he was facing an onslaught of attacks — from untraceable sources — on the local community's most popular social networking app, the Chinese-owned WeChat.

The sudden collapse of Mr. Chiu's campaign — in the last federal election, in 2021 — is now drawing renewed scrutiny amid mounting evidence of China's interference in Canadian politics.

Mr. Chiu and several other elected officials critical of Beijing were targets of a Chinese state that has increasingly exerted its influence over Chinese diaspora communities worldwide as part of an aggressive campaign to expand its global reach, according to current and former elected officials, Canadian intelligence officials and experts on Chinese state disinformation campaigns.

Canada recently expelled a Chinese diplomat accused of conspiring to intimidate a lawmaker from the Toronto area, Michael Chong, after he successfully led efforts in Parliament to label China's treatment of its Uyghur Muslim community a genocide. Canada's intel-

VAST FIELDS FULL OF MINES HINDER UKRAINE'S FORCES

GRIM PICTURE IN SOUTH

Array of Trip Wires and Booby Traps Slows Counteroffensive

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ORIKHIV, Ukraine — It was a grisly scene of bloody limbs and crumpled vehicles as a series of Russian mines exploded across a field in southern Ukraine.

One Ukrainian soldier stepped on a mine and tumbled onto the grass in the buffer zone between the two armies. Nearby lay other Ukrainian troops, their legs in tourniquets, waiting for medical evacuation, according to videos posted online and the accounts of several soldiers involved.

Soon, an armored vehicle arrived to rescue them. A medic jumped out to treat the wounded and knelt on ground he deemed safe — only to trigger another mine with his knee.

Five weeks into a counteroffensive that even Ukrainian officials say is off to a halting start, interviews with commanders and soldiers fighting along the front indicate the slow progress comes down to one major problem: land mines.

The fields Ukrainian forces must cross are littered with dozens of types of mines — made of plastic and metal, shaped like tins of chewing tobacco or soda cans, and with colorful names like "the witch" and "the leaf."

Ukraine's army is also hindered by a lack of air support and the deep network of defensive structures the Russians have built. But it is the vast array of mines, trip wires, booby traps and improvised explosive devices that has Ukrainian forces bogged down only a few miles from where they started.

"I couldn't imagine something like this," said a Ukrainian private

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LONG-WAITED FDA UPDATE FINES DATA DO NOT SUPPORT EXCESS MORTALITY RISK FOR PACULAKEL-COATED DEVICES

IN A LETTER TO HEALTHCARE providers dated July 11, 2023, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) declared that the risk of mortality associated with catheters coated with polyurethane (PAC) is no longer supported by available data and analysis. The update requested a lowering of the set against the FDA's guidance to ensure that a new analysis that indicated a late mortality signal — warning that treatment of PAD with polyurethane-coated catheters and peripheral stenting systems was "potentially associated with increased mortality."

Vascular surgery added as named specialty to influential national hospital rankings

U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT has revealed the specialty formerly known as "Cardiology & Vascular Surgery" in its national rankings of the best hospitals in the country. The category will now be called "Cardiology (Heart & Vascular Surgery)" in the next issue of the Aug. 1 publication of its 2023-2024 Best Hospitals rankings and ratings.

Take home message

- Calcium still a challenge for endovascular treatment
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