

Main Mechanisms of DES In-stent Restenosis: **Underexpansion, Intimal Hyperplasia, Neointimal Hyperplasia, Stent Fracture and Malapposition**

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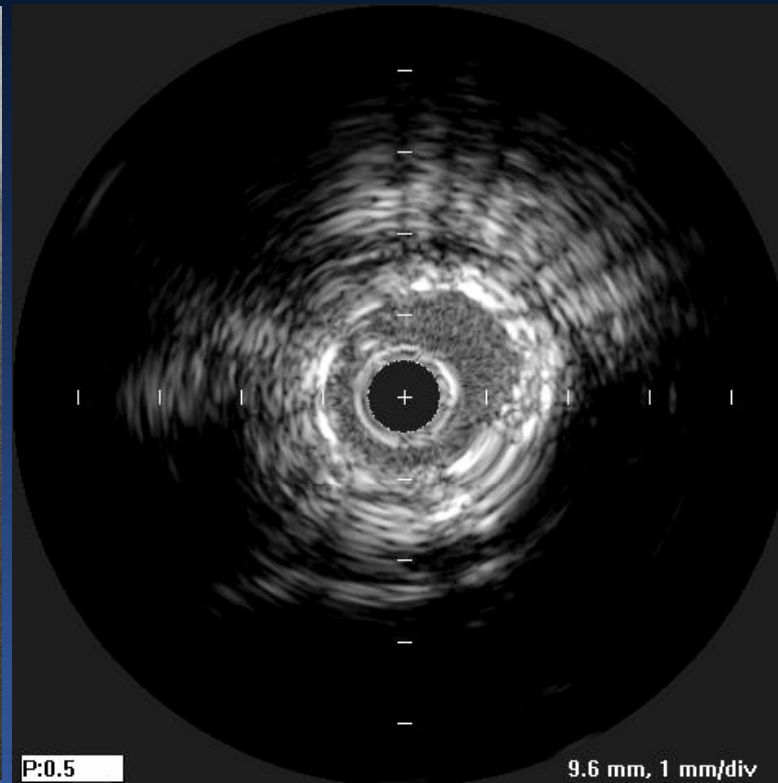
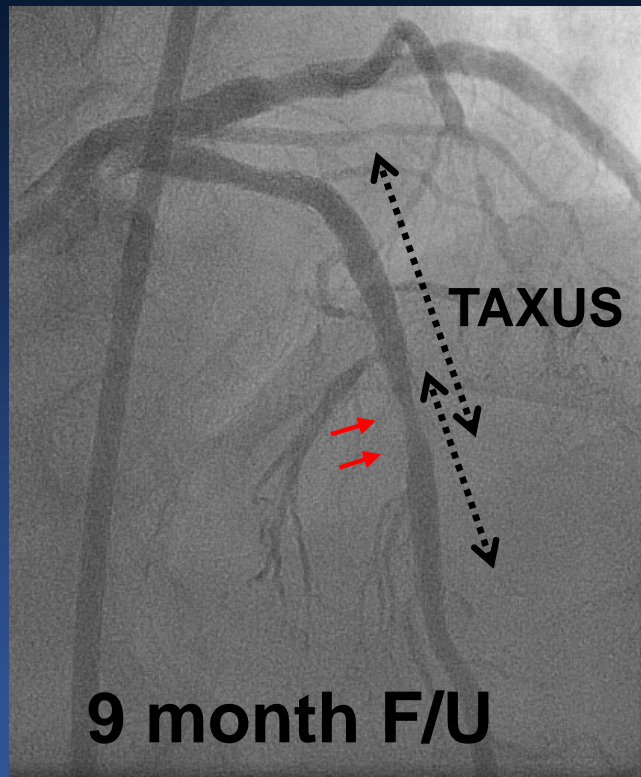
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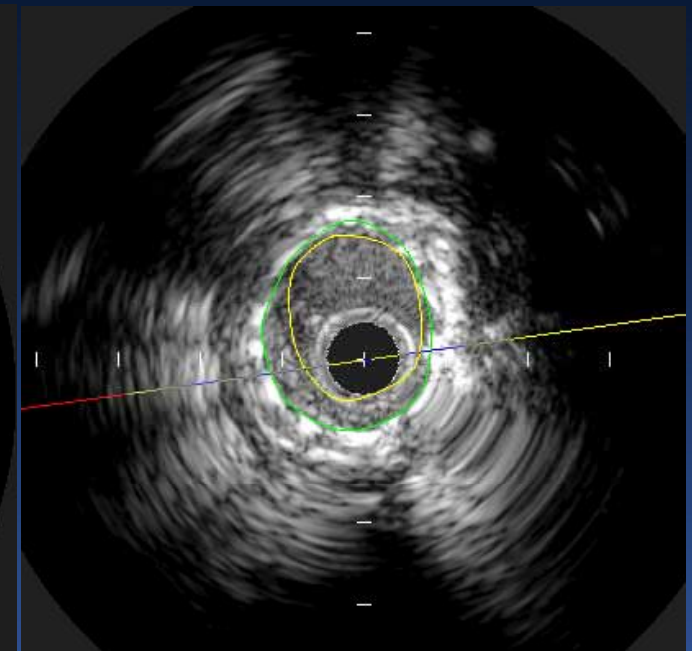
ISR – Underexpansion

56-year old male

- Primary PCI for STEMI → TAXUS 3.0 (28) and 3.5 (28)
- After 9 months, effort-related chest pain



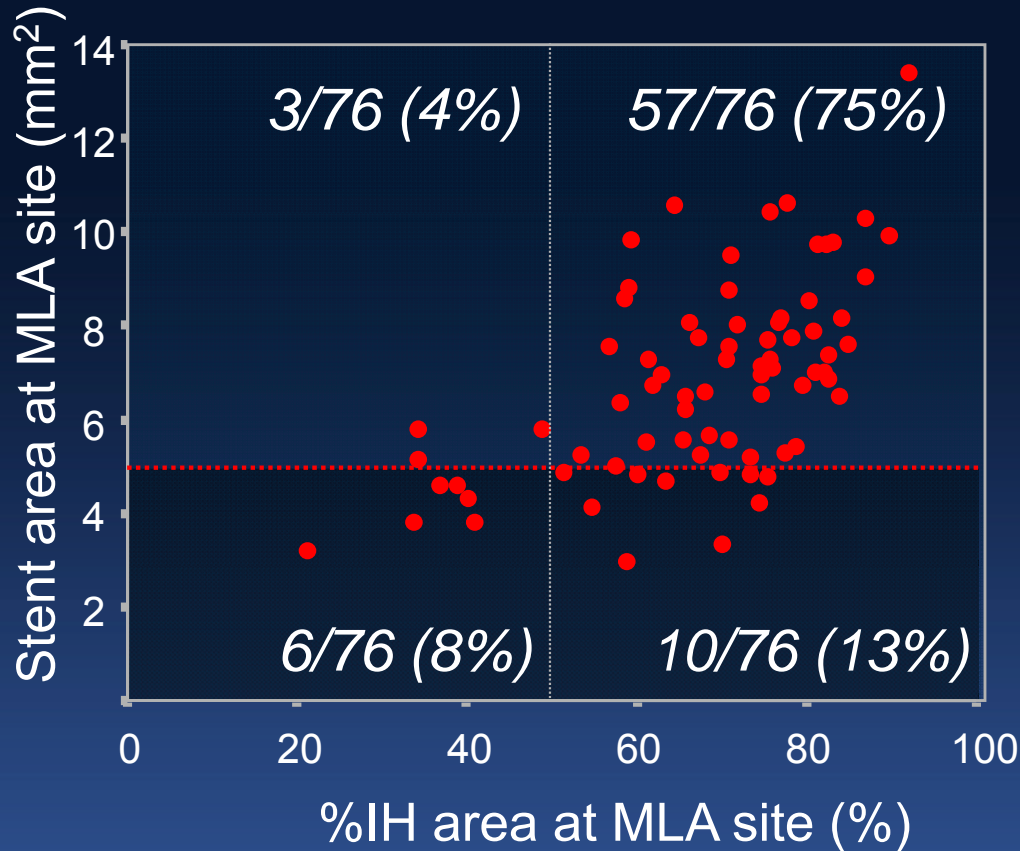
At the MLA site



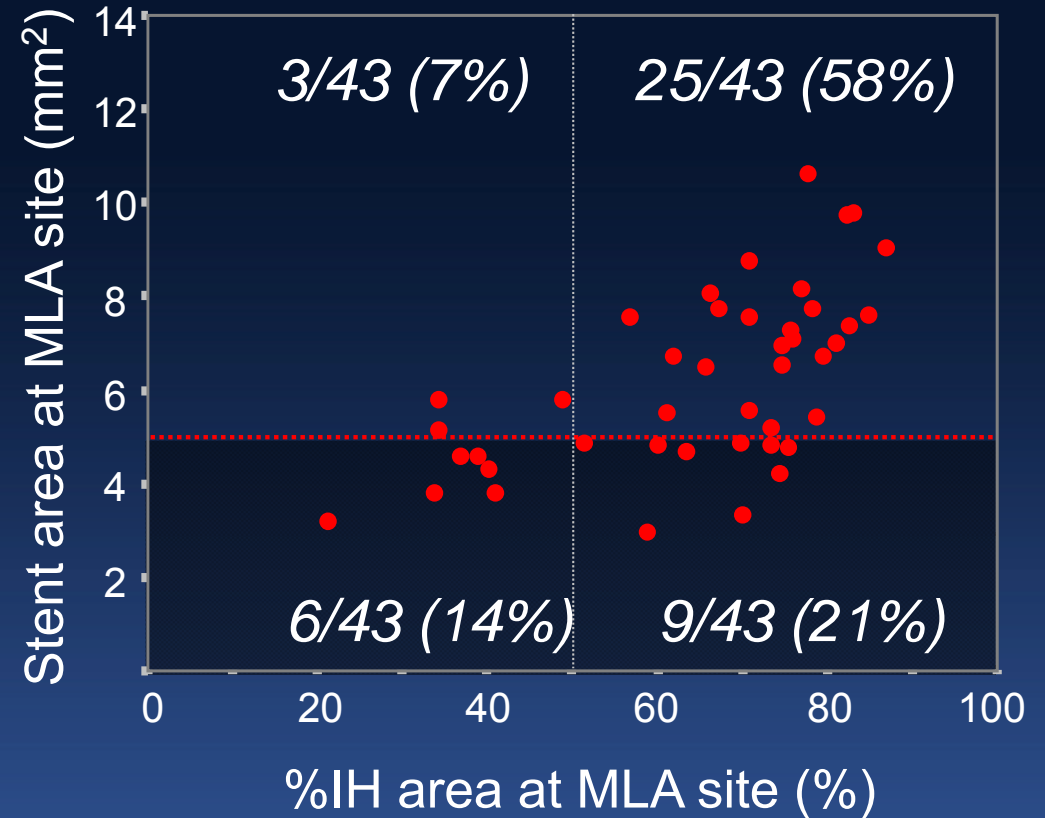
Stent CSA 4.0 mm²
MLA 2.6 mm²
%IH/stent 36%

Mechanism of DES-ISR

Overall lesions

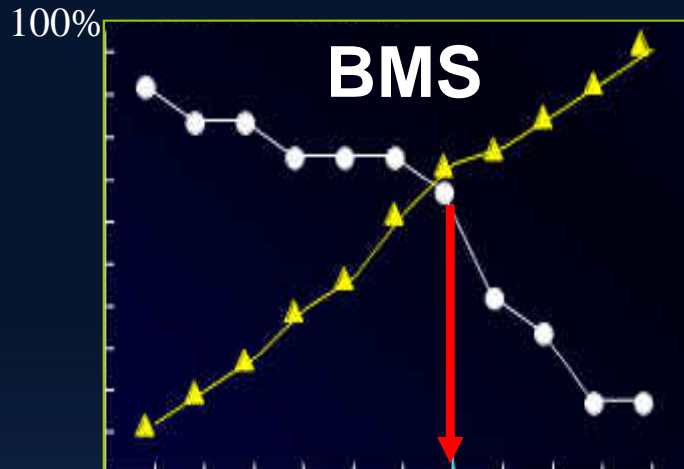


Stent length >28mm



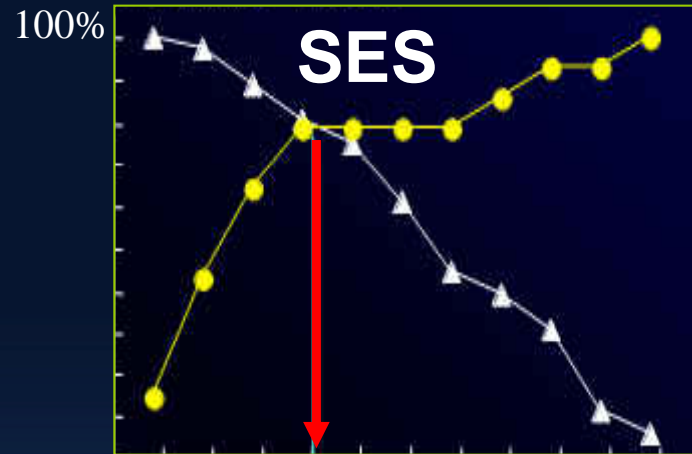
IVUS optimization is useful to correct stent underexpansion especially in the long lesion

Underexpansion Predicts DES Restenosis



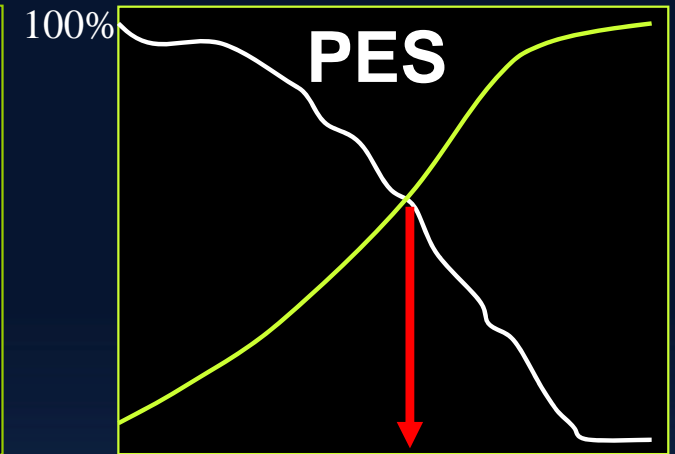
MSA 6.5mm²

Predictive value 56%



MSA 5.0mm²

Predictive value 90%

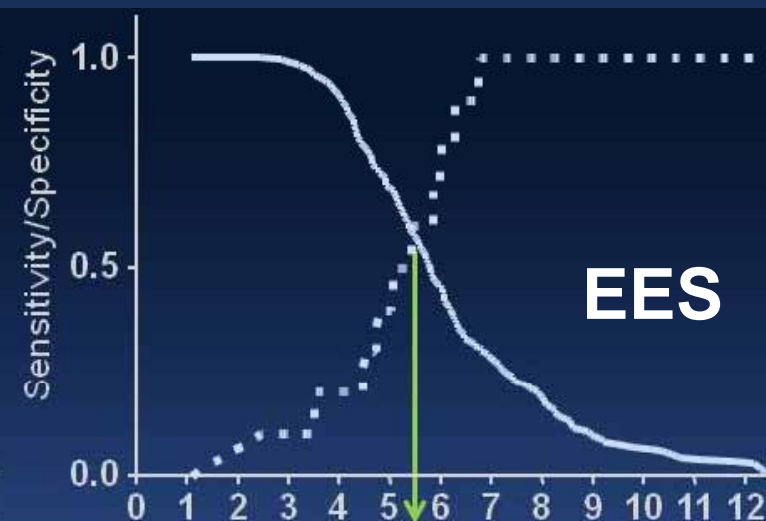


MSA 5.7mm²

*Eur Heart J 2006;27:1305-10
JACC Interv 2009;2:1269-75*



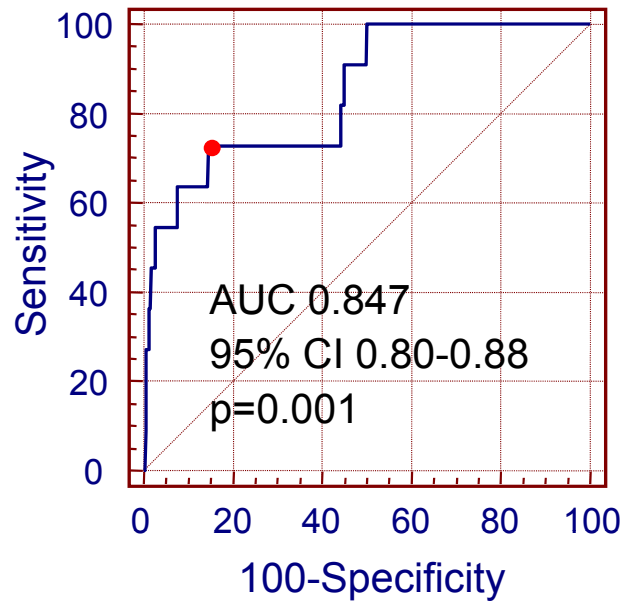
MSA 5.3mm²



MSA 5.4mm²

Song et al. Catheter Cardiovasc Interv 2012 (in press)

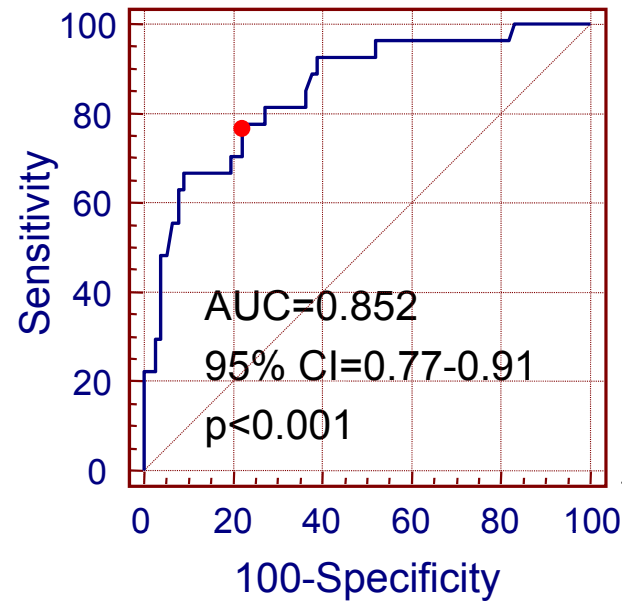
MSA Cut-offs Predicting 9-month ISR



LAD ostium

MSA 6.3mm²

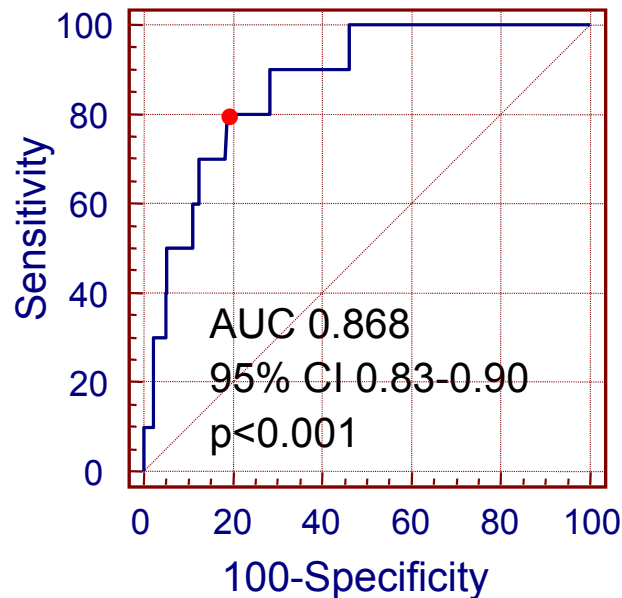
Sensitivity 73%
Specificity 85%
Accuracy 84%



LCX ostium

MSA 5.0mm²

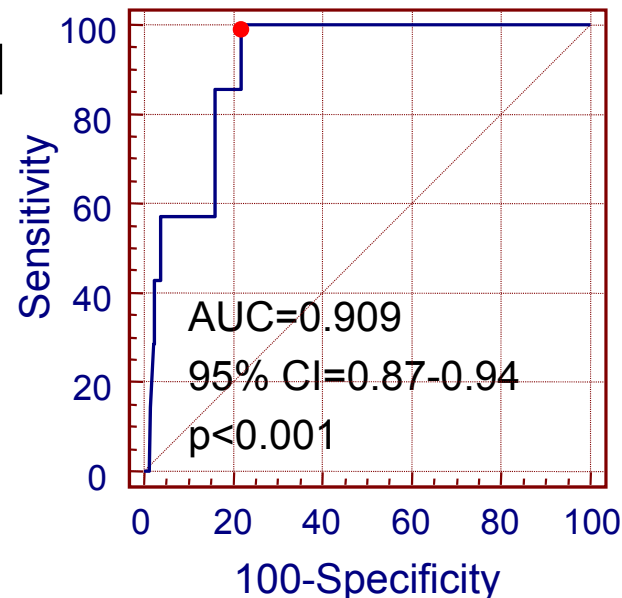
Sensitivity 78%
Specificity 78%
Accuracy 78%



Proximal LM

MSA 8.2mm²

Sensitivity 80%
Specificity 81%
Accuracy 81%



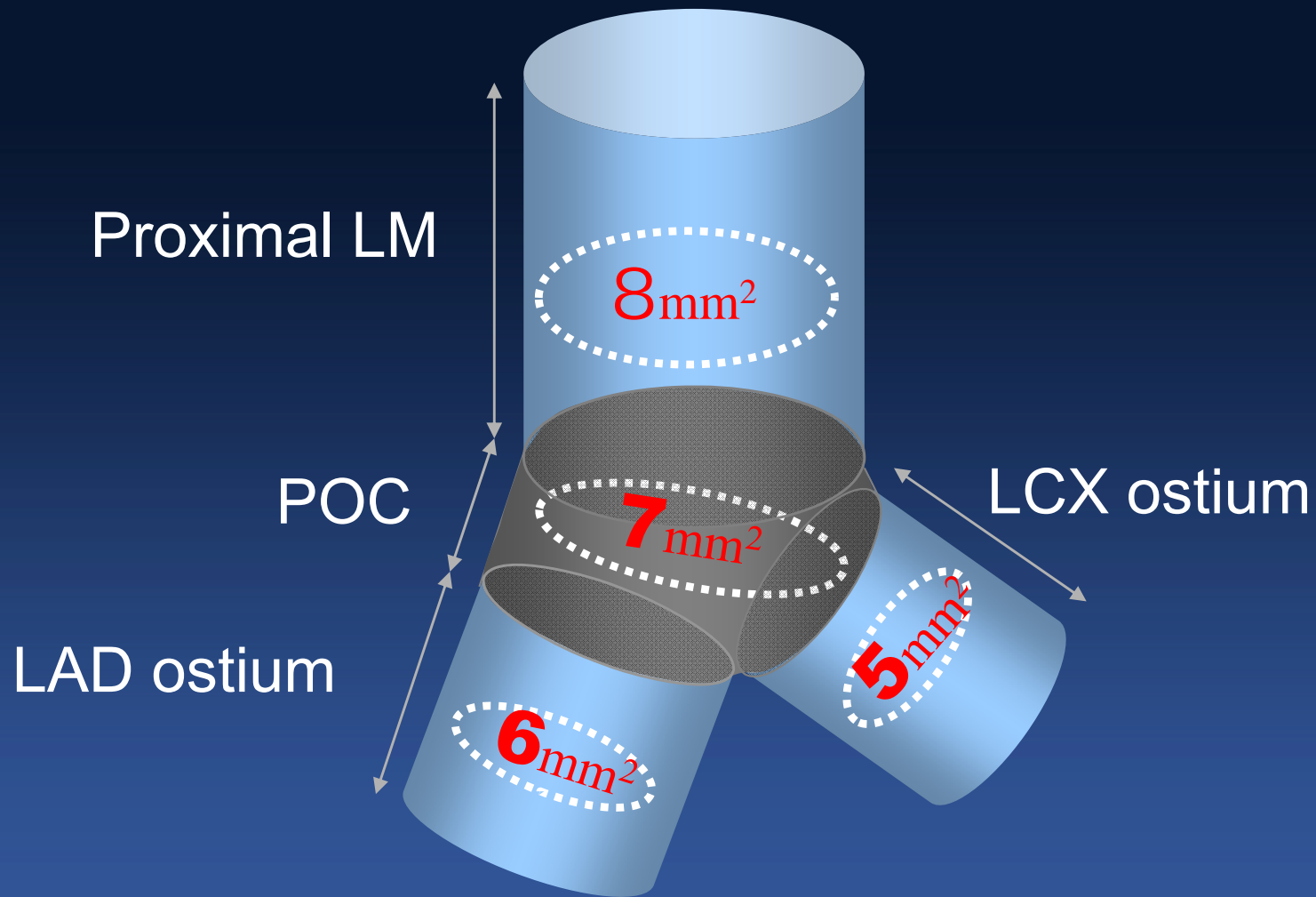
POC

MSA 7.2mm²

Sensitivity 100%
Specificity 78%
Accuracy 80%

LM Stent Optimization

on a segmental basis

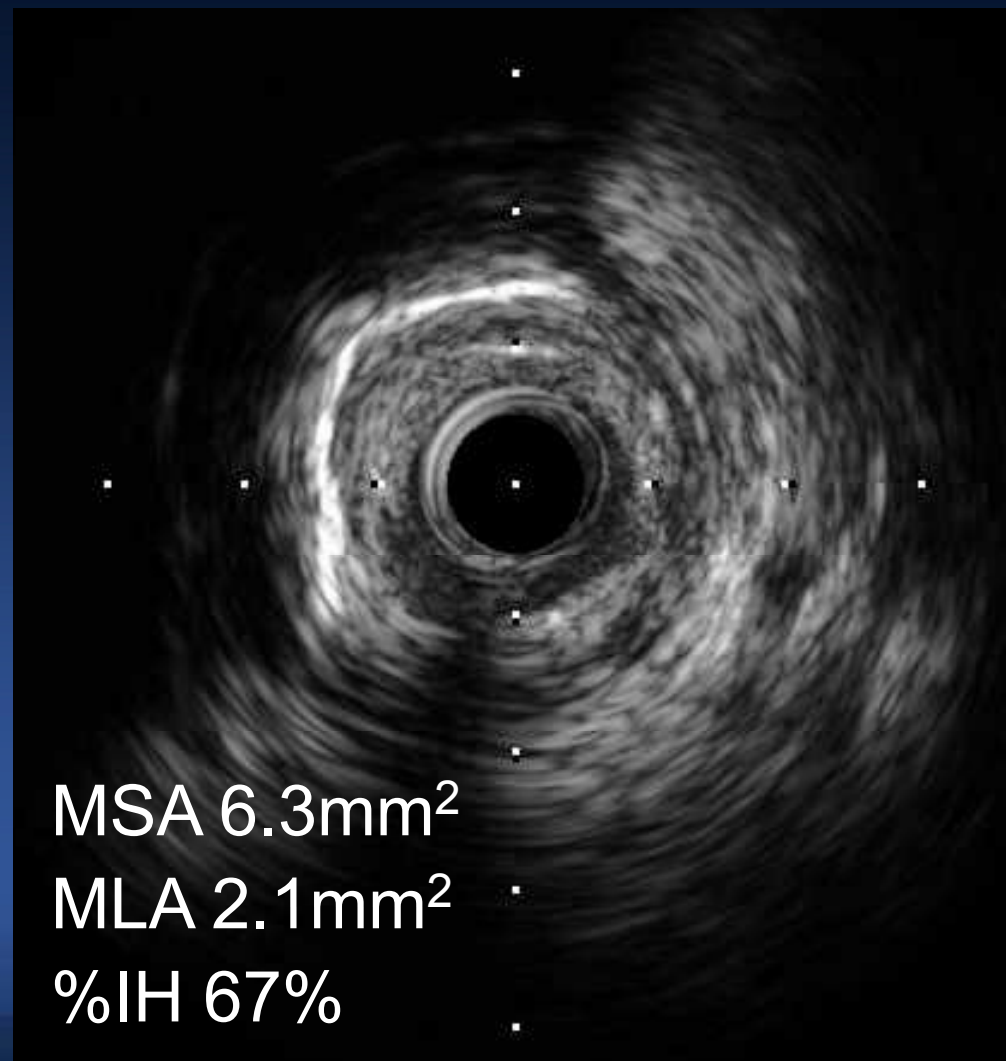


Kang et al. Circ Cardiovasc Interv 2011 2011;4:1168-74

ISR – Intimal Hyperplasia

71 Year-Old Female, Unstable angina

- 8YA s/p BMS at pRCA and mLAD
- Hypertension, Diabetes

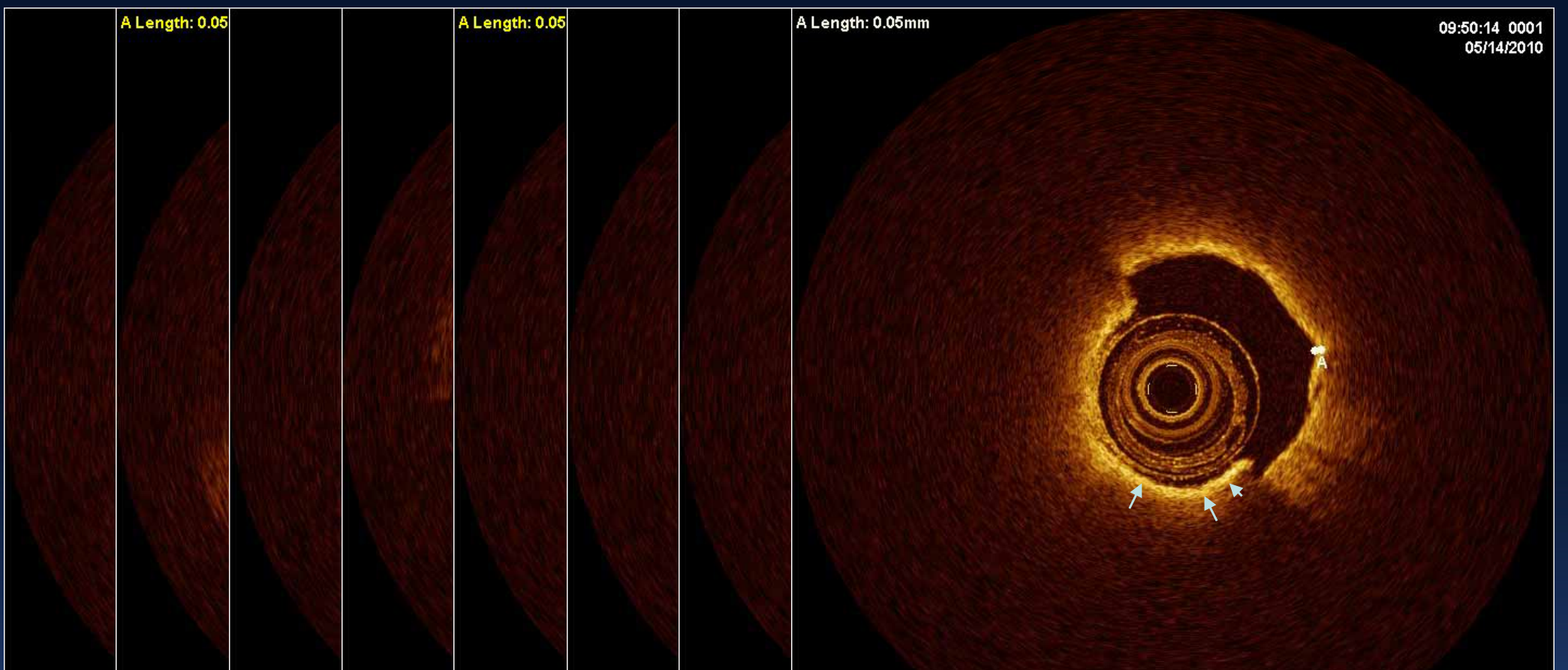


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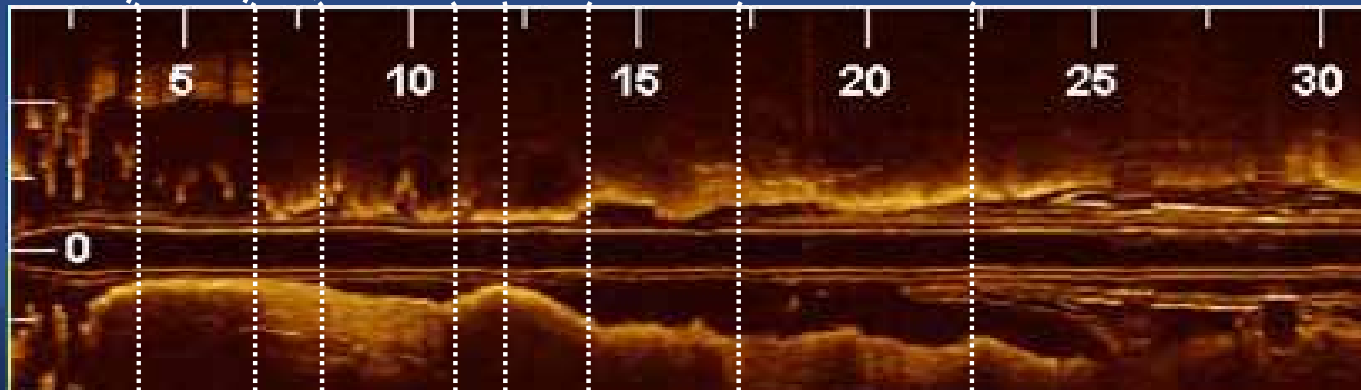
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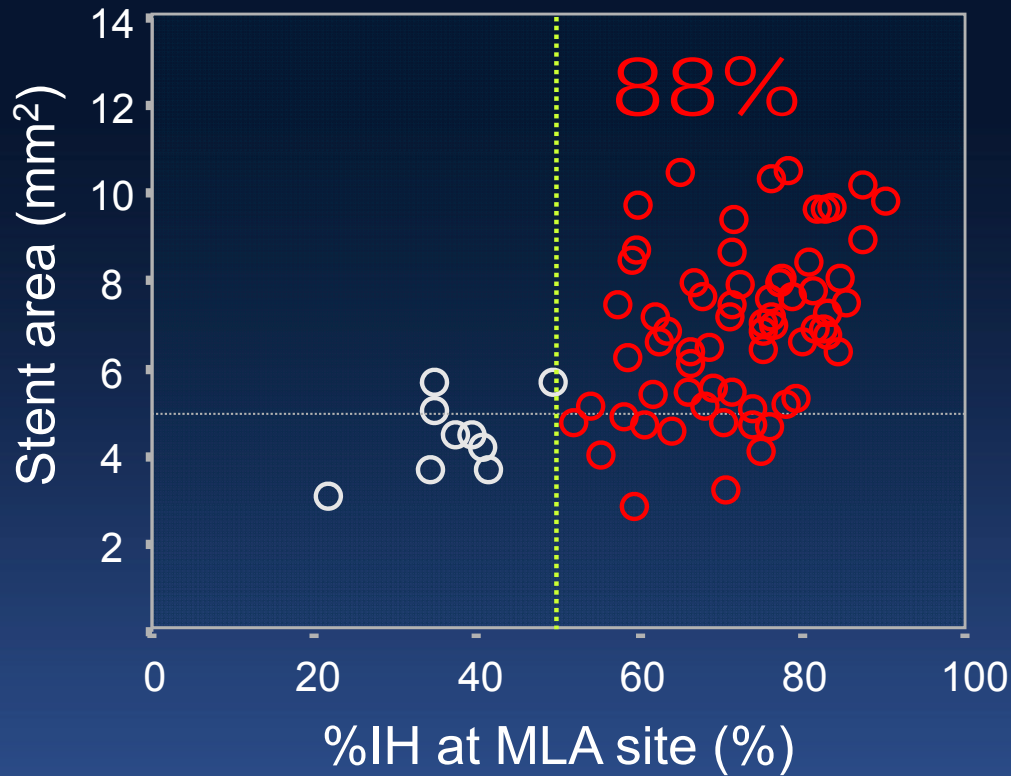


What is the mechanism of ISR?

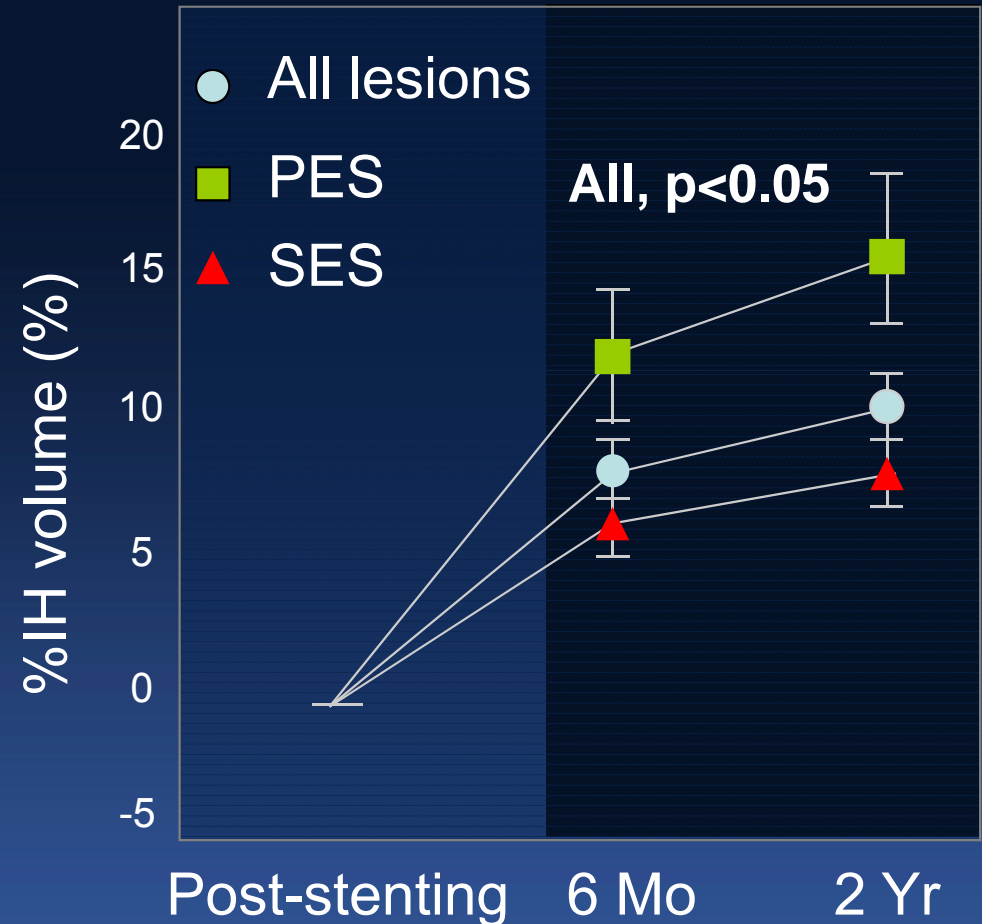


"Late Catch-up"

Mechanism of DES-ISR



Serial F/U %IH



subsequent progression of IH

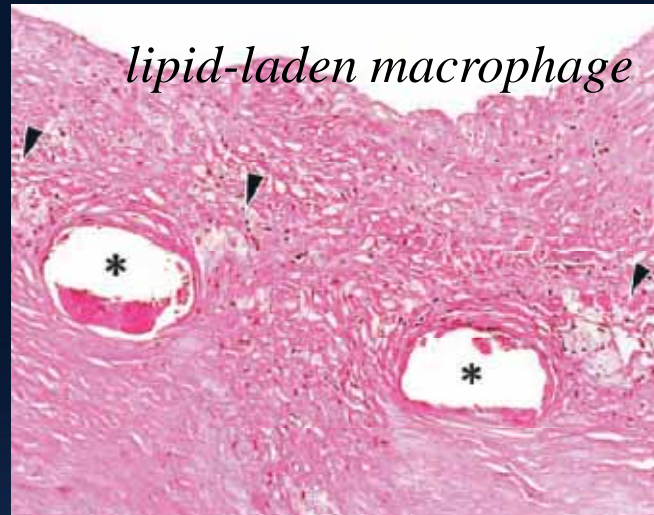
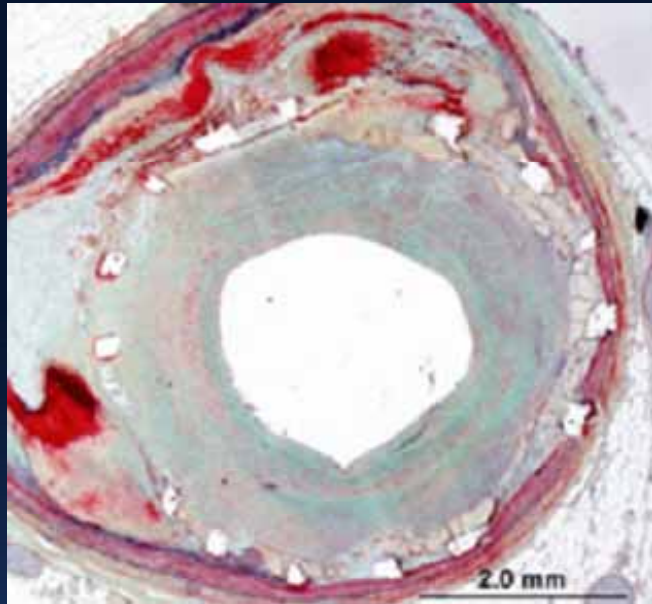
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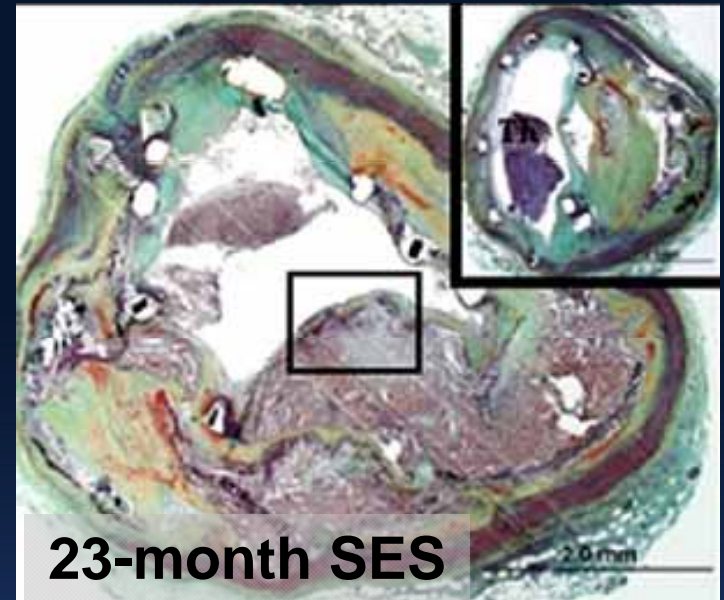
Early Neointima



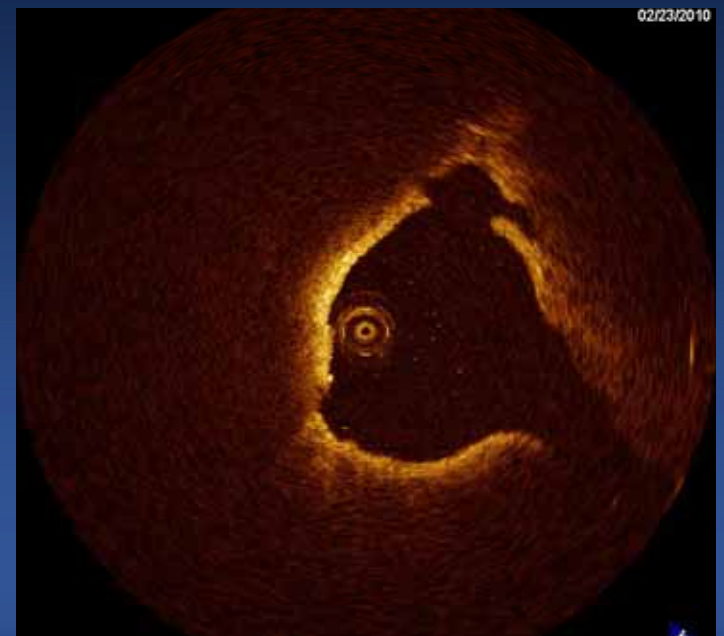
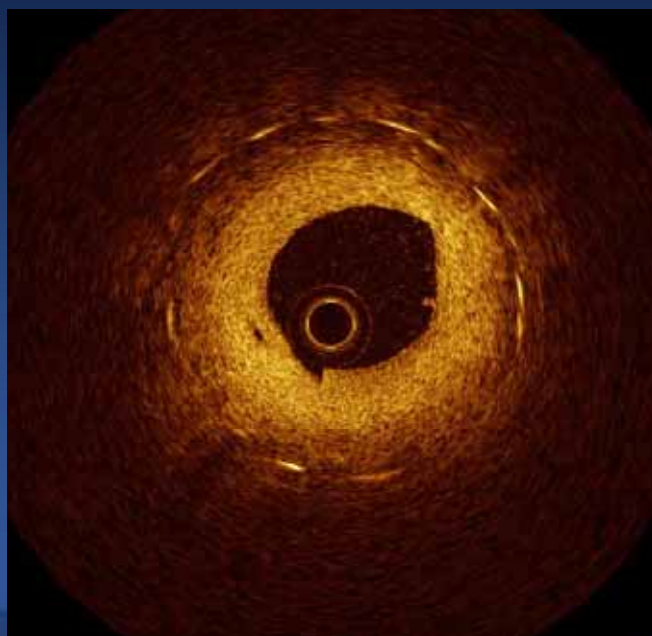
Neoatherosclerosis



5-year Palmaz-Schatz



23-month SES



Chieffo et al. Am J Cardiol 2009;104:1660-7

Nakazawa et al. JACC Cardiovasc Imaging 2009;2:625-8

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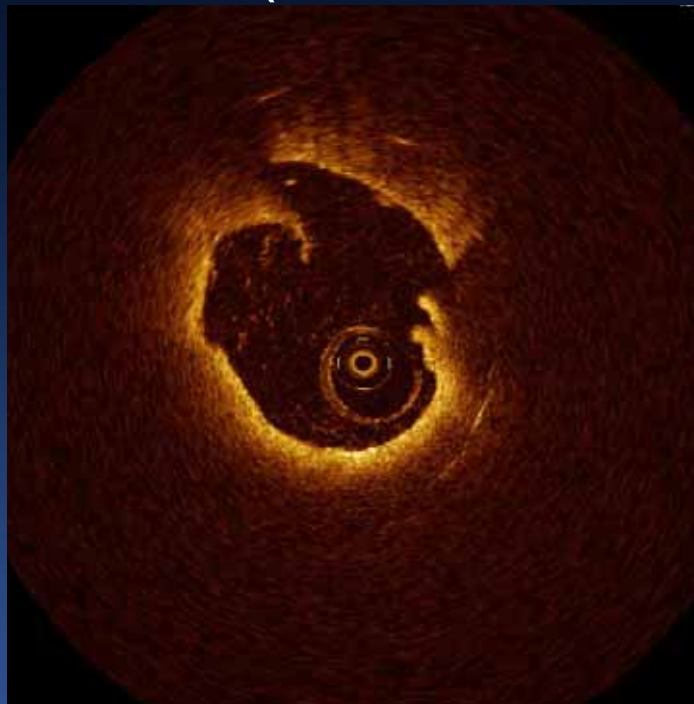
Optical Coherence Tomographic Analysis of In-Stent Neointimal Hyperplasia After Drug-Eluting Stent Implantation

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50 DES-ISR (Median F/U 32 months)



TCFA 52%



Rupture 58%



Thrombus 58%

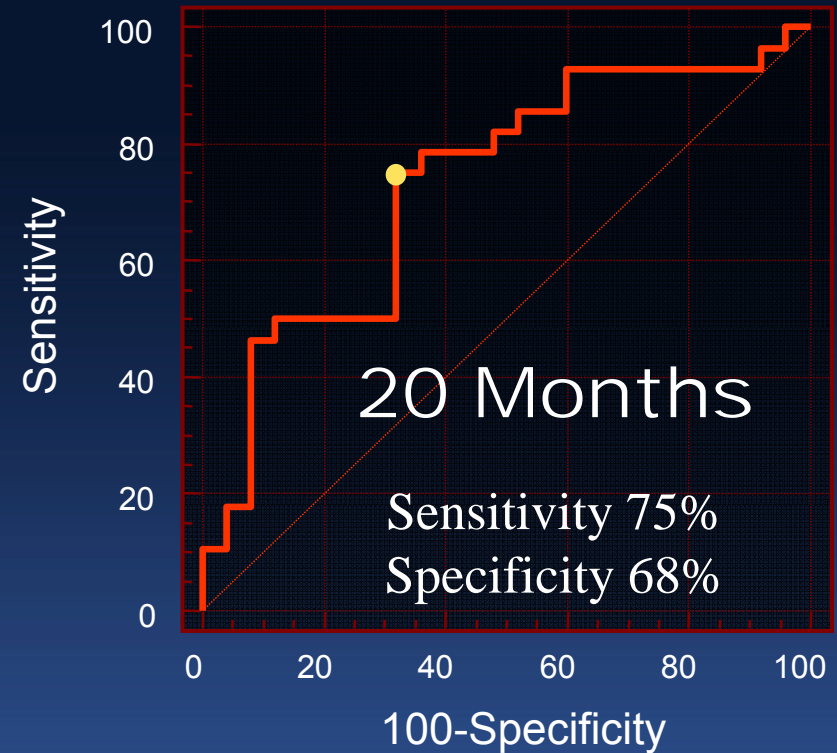
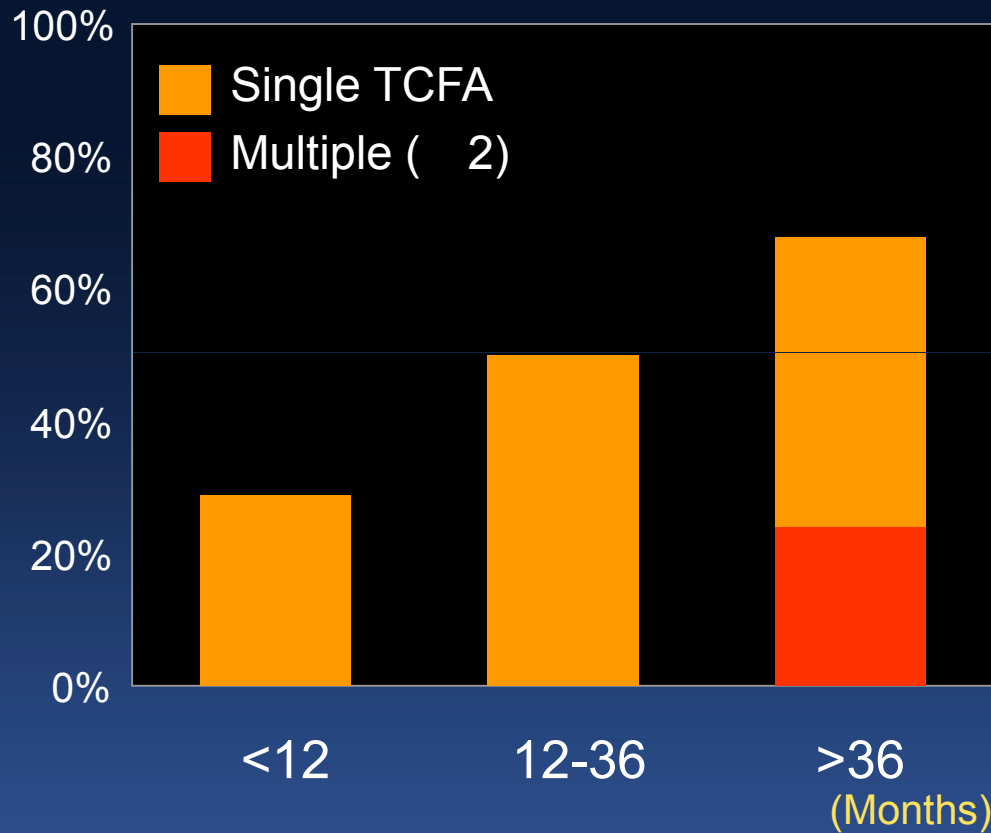
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Stable vs. Unstable Angina

	Stable N=30	Unstable N=20	P
Fibrous cap thickness, μm	100 (60-205)	55 (42-105)	0.006
Incidence of thrombi	13 (43%)	16 (80%)	0.010
Incidence of red thrombi	1 (3%)	6 (30%)	0.012
Incidence of rupture	14 (47%)	15 (75%)	0.044
Incidence of TCFA	11 (37%)	15 (75%)	0.008

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DES Duration >20 Months Best Predict TCFA-Containing Neointima

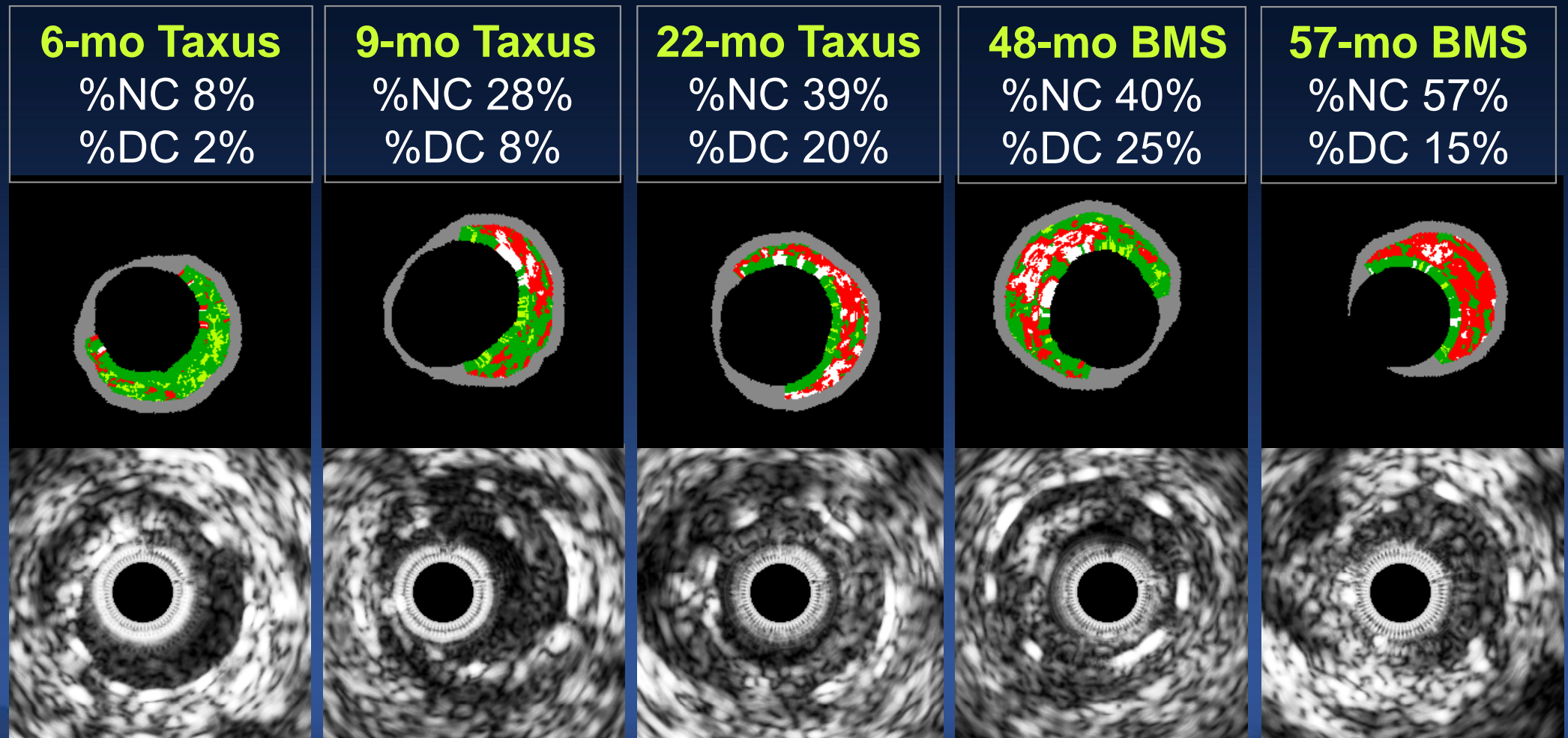


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Tissue Characterization of In-Stent Neointima Using Intravascular Ultrasound Radiofrequency Data Analysis

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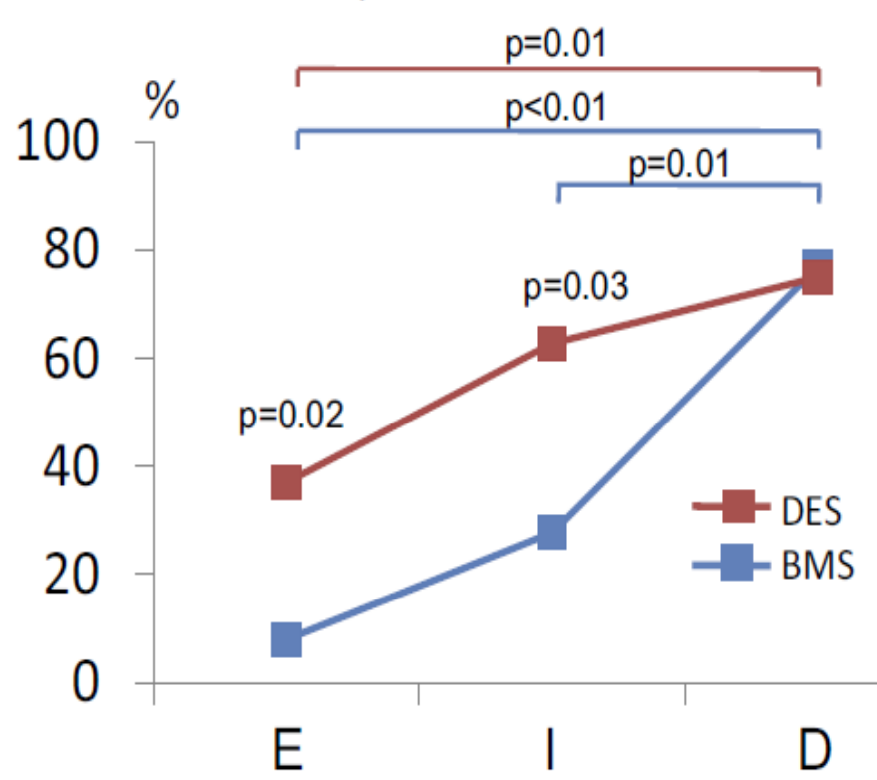
The longer f/u duration, the greater atherosclerotic change



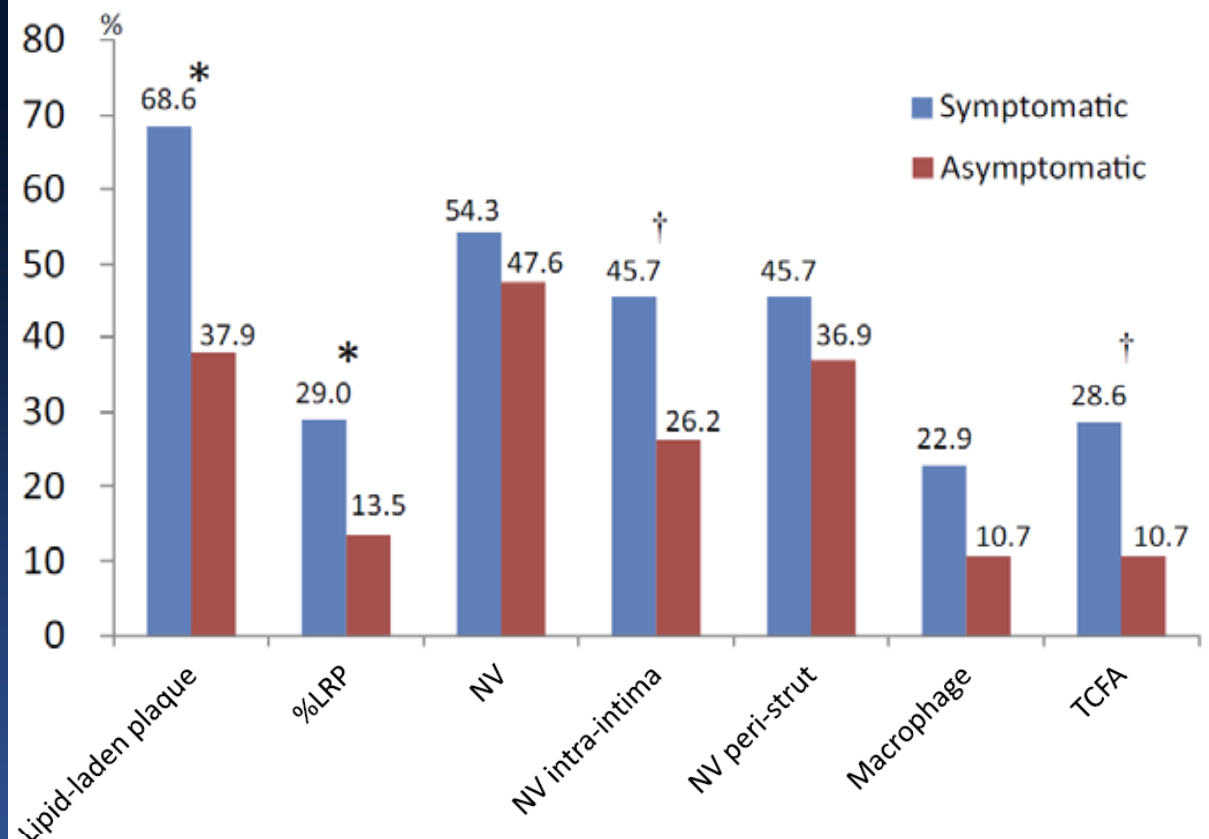
Kang SJ et al. AJC 2010 ;106:1561-5

Incidence and Time Course of Neoatherosclerosis; from MGH OCT registry

A. Incidence of lipid-laden intima



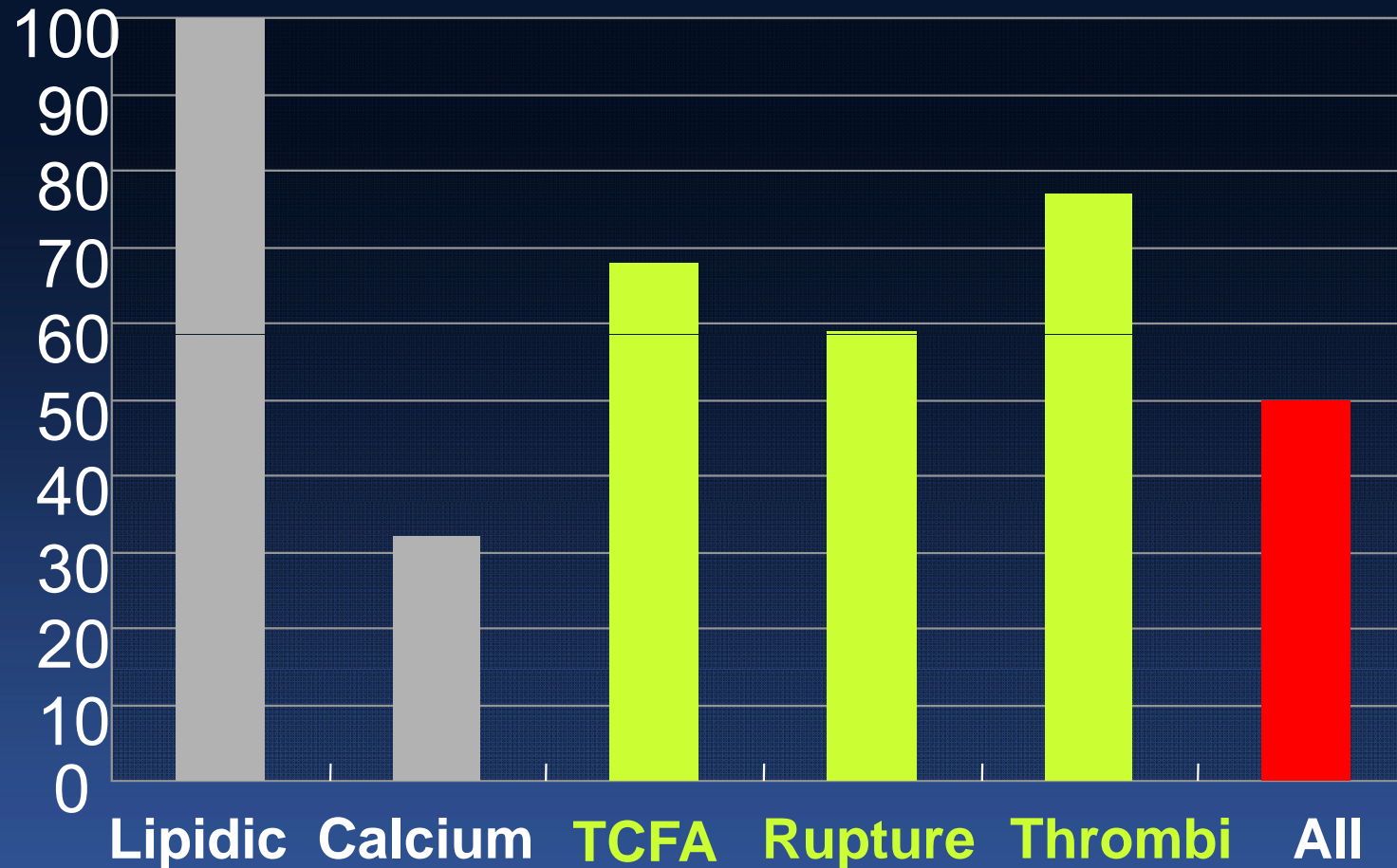
<9 mo 9-48 mo >48 mo



Yonetsu et al. Am J Cardiol 2012;110:933-9

OCT Findings of BMS-ISR at 10 Years

Clinically-driven TLR, Median F/U time 11 years



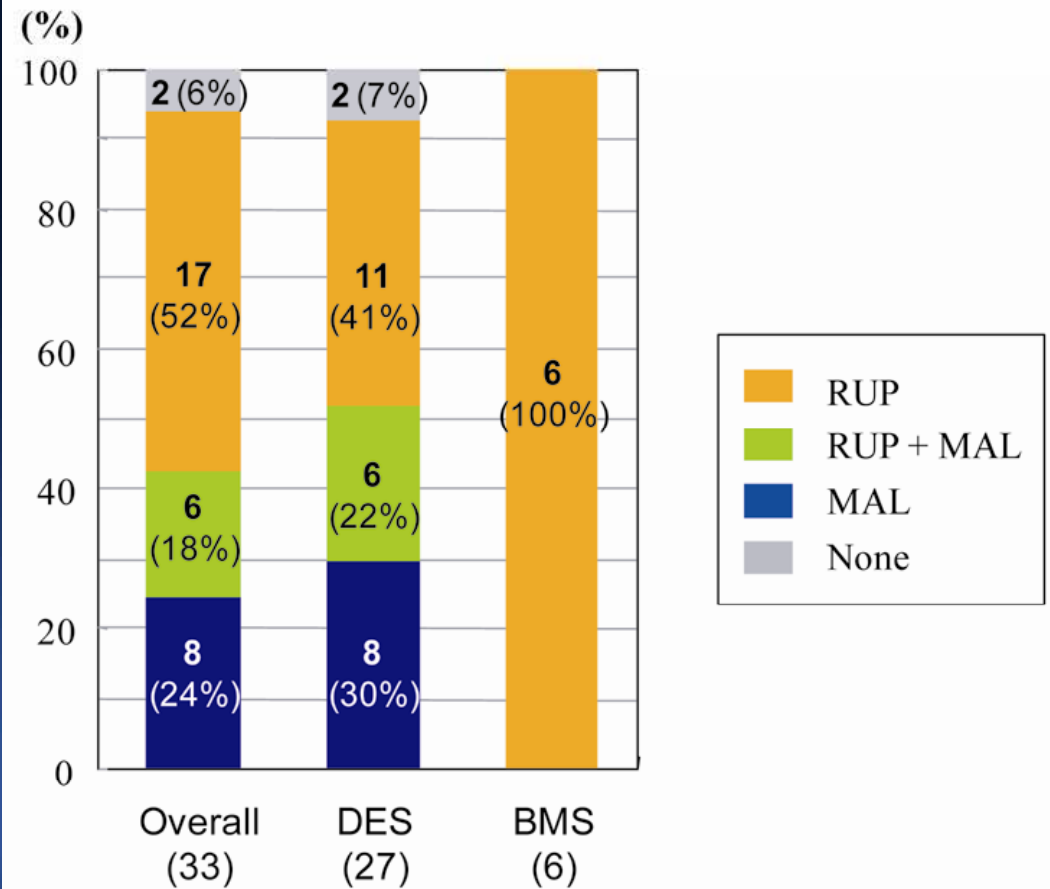
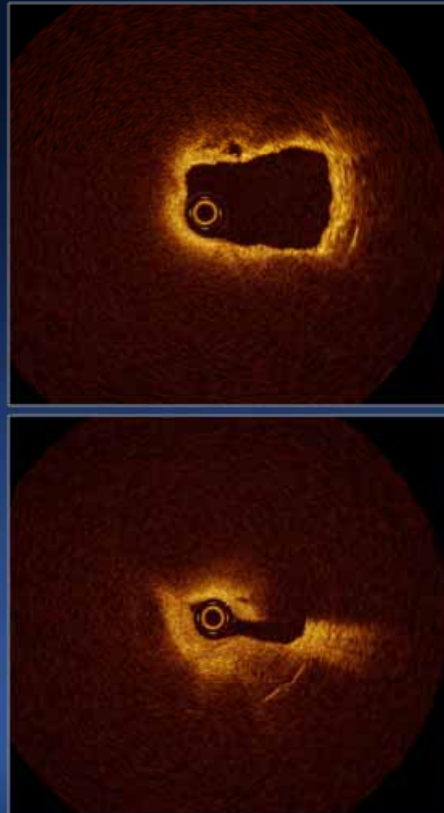
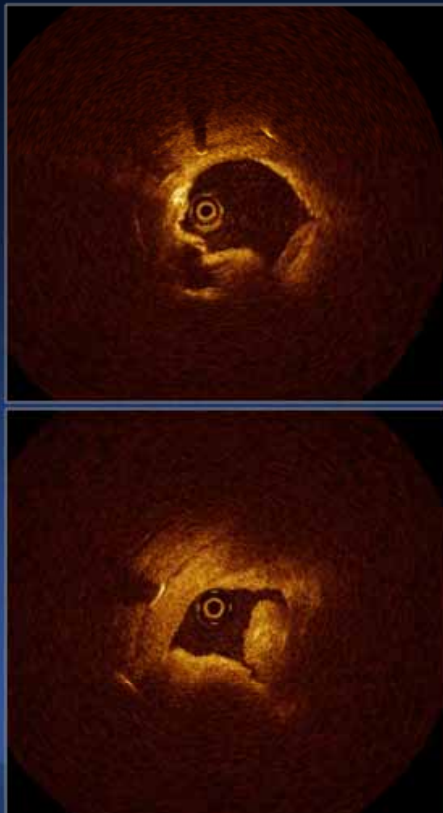
Kang et al. JACC Cardiovasc Imaging 2012;5:1267-8

OCT Analysis in Patients with Very Late Stent Thrombosis

Definite VLST (27 DES, 6 BMS)

69/Male STEMI
165-month BMS

79/Male NSTEMI
60-month SES



Kang et al. JACC Cardiovasc imaging, 2013 in press

Predictors for Neoatherosclerosis

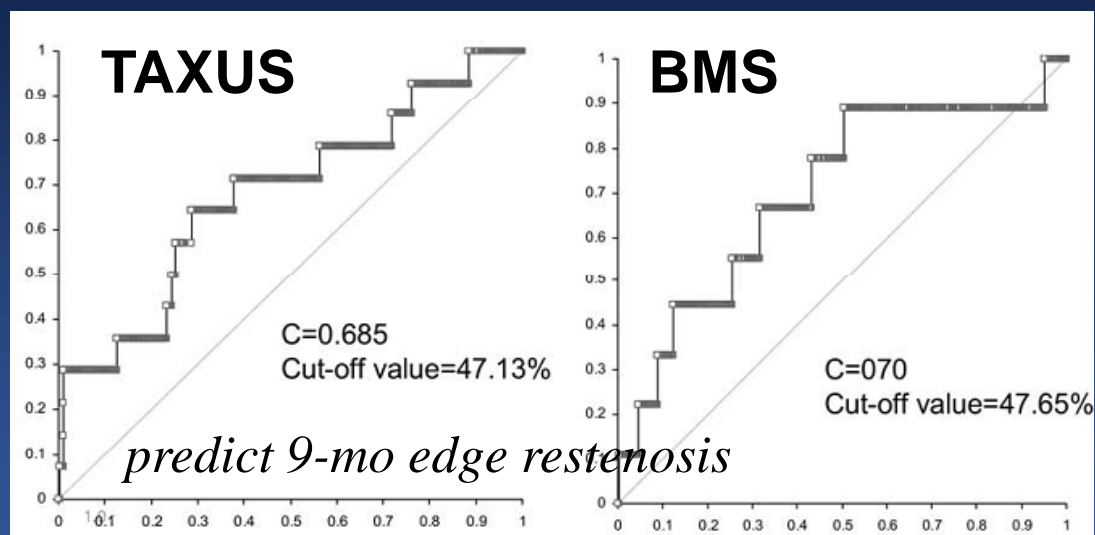
Retrospective Study from MGH OCT Registry

<i>Multivariable Analysis</i>			
	Adjusted OR	95% CI	p
SES	3.86	1.44 – 10.38	0.007
PES	24.17	6.02 – 97.02	<0.001
ZES	7.18	1.51 – 34.21	0.013
EES	6.46	1.65 – 25.34	0.007
Age >65 years	1.84	0.85 – 3.97	0.121
Stent age >48 months	10.45	3.71 – 29.41	<0.001
Current smoking	7.03	2.46 – 20.04	<0.001
Chronic renal disease	3.69	1.10 – 12.35	0.035
ACE-I / ARB use	0.39	0.17 – 0.91	0.028

Yonetu et al. Circ Cardiovasc Imaging 2012;5:660-6

Residual Plaque Predicts Edge Restenosis

	Population	DES	F/U time	Predictor
SIRIUS¹	6 edge restenosis vs. 162 controls	SES	8 mo	Ref segment PB 60% vs. 41% (p<0.01)
TAXUS²	276 edge stenosis	PES	9 mo	Ref segment PB 47%

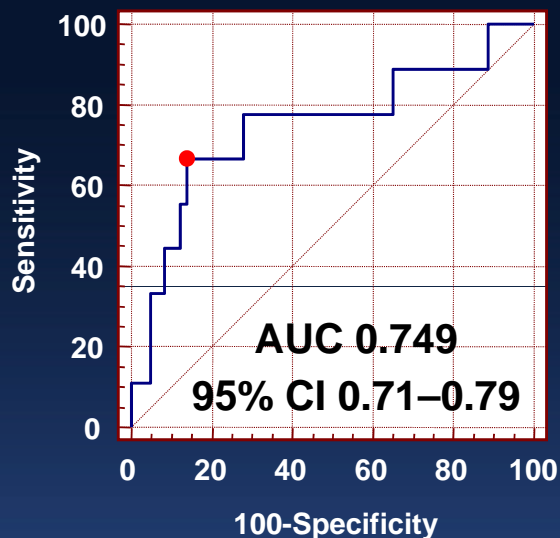


¹ *Am J Cardiol* 2005;96:1251-3

² *Liu et al. Am J Cardiol* 2009;103:501-6

Intravascular Ultrasound Predictors for Edge Restenosis After Newer Generation Drug-Eluting Stent Implantation

433 E-ZES

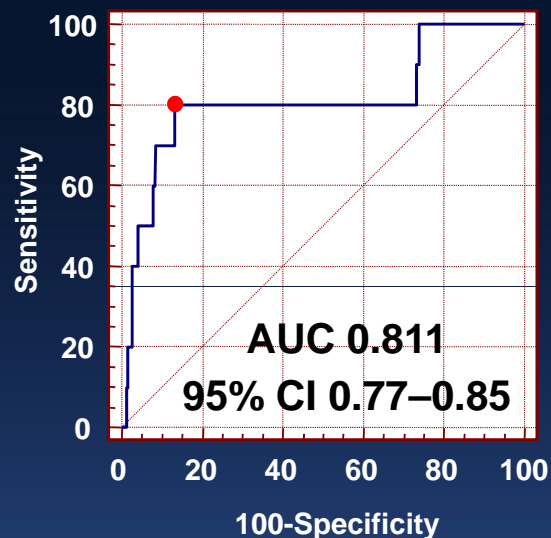


PB 56.3%

Sensitivity 67%

Specificity 86%

422 R-ZES

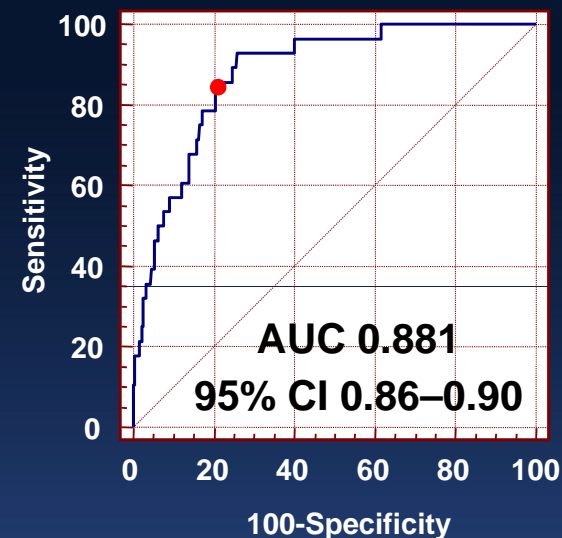


PB 57.3%

Sensitivity 80%

Specificity 87%

813 EES



PB 54.2%

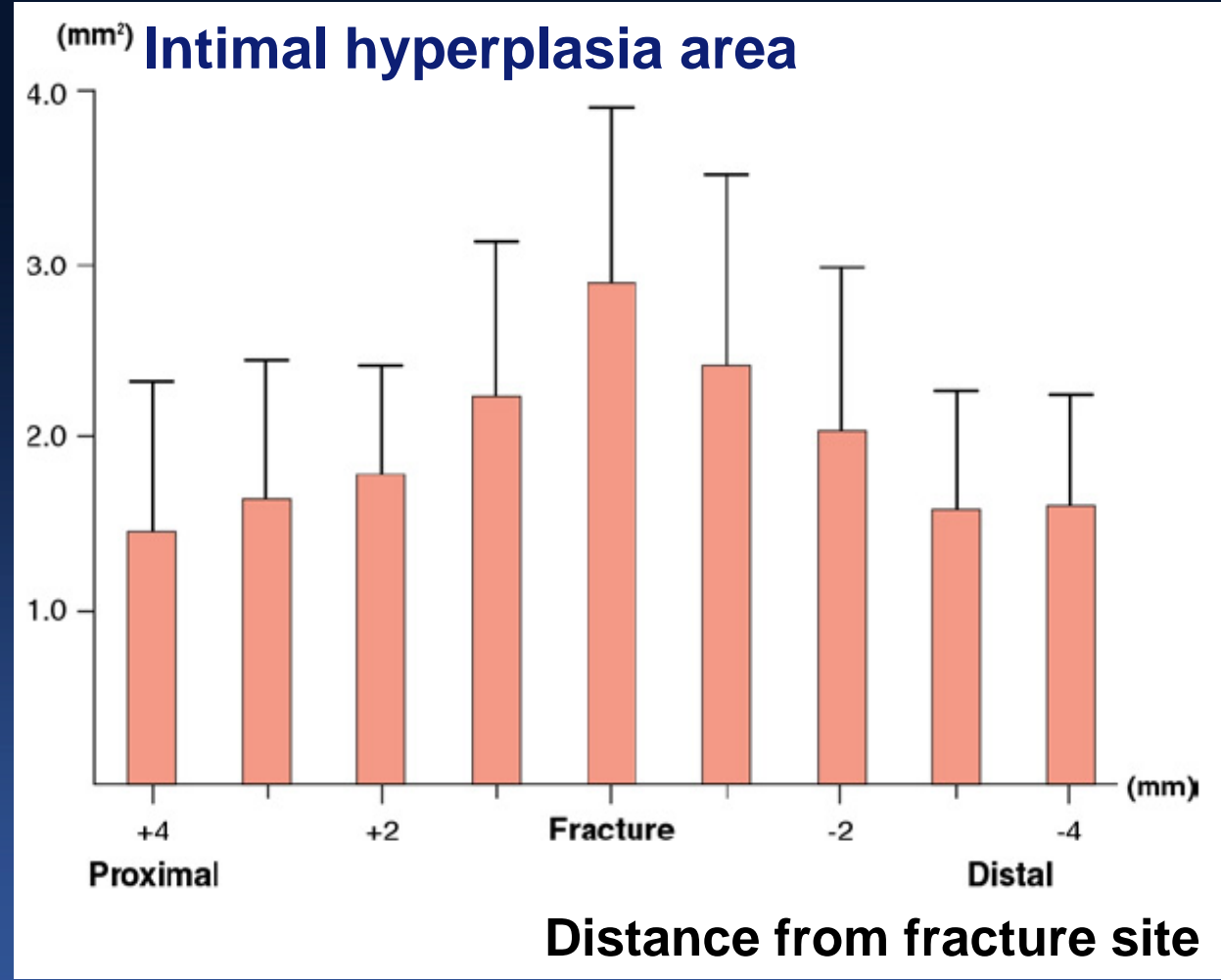
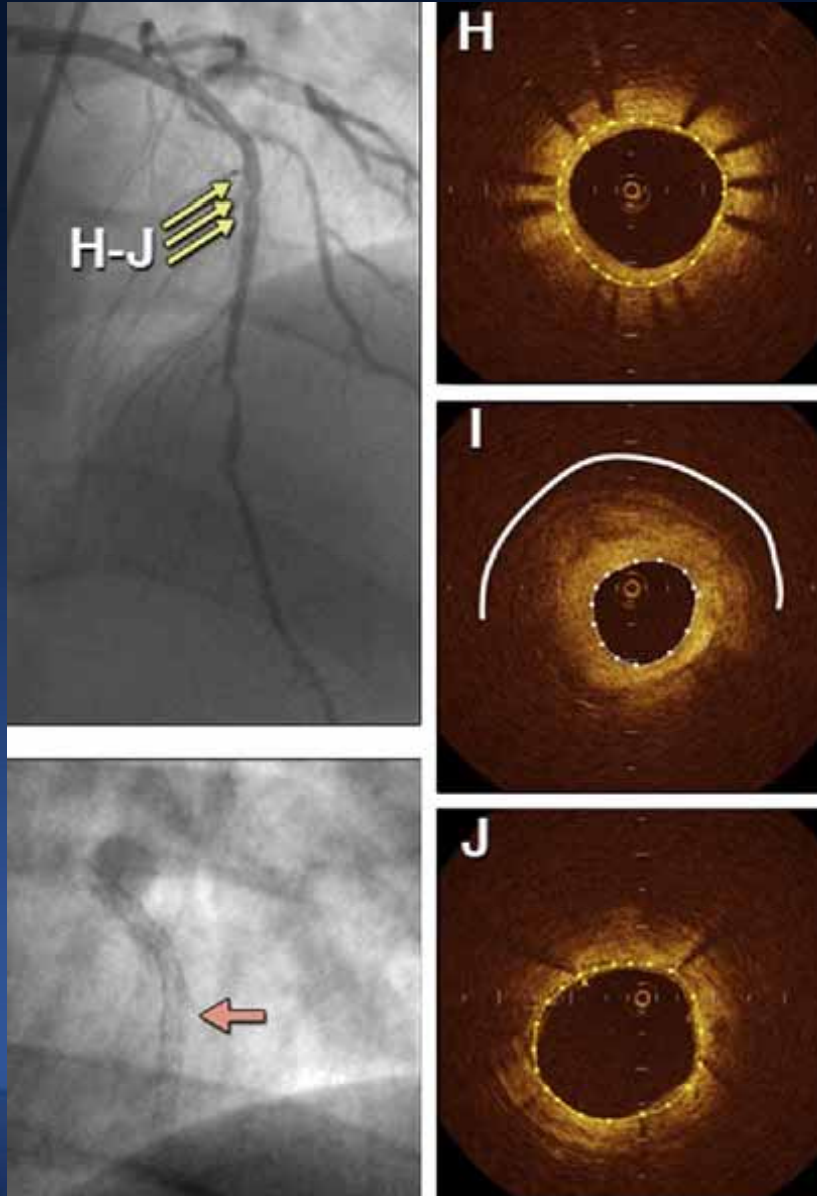
Sensitivity 86%

Specificity 80%

Reference segment residual PB < 55% may be useful to determine the optimal landing zone of stent deployment

DES Fracture

Increased intimal hyperplasia at the **fracture site**

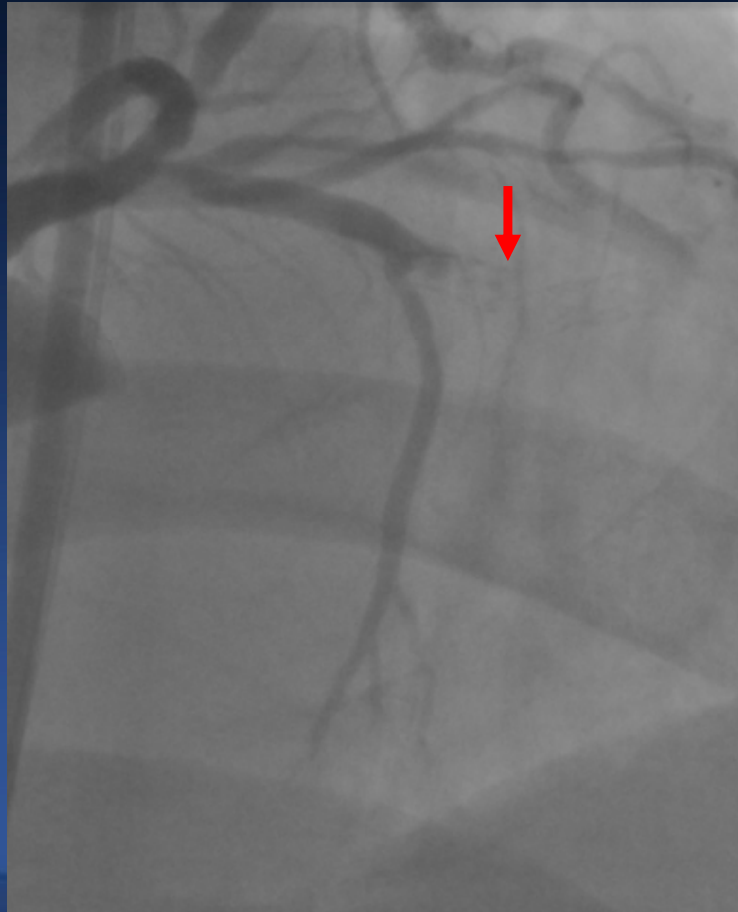


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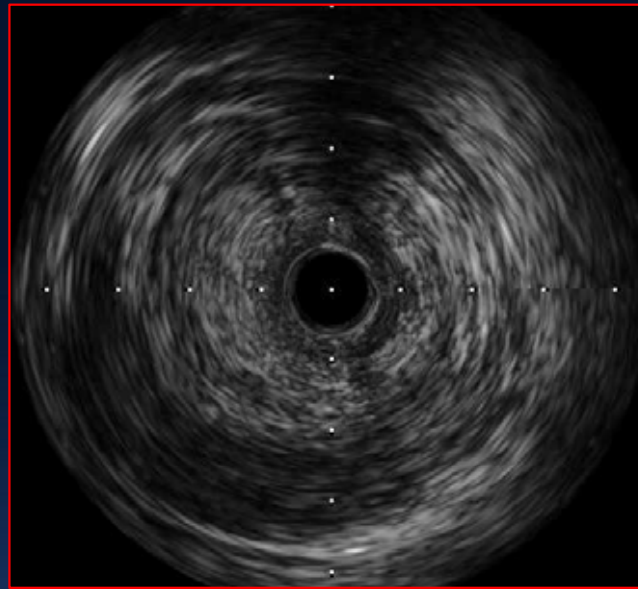
Stent Fracture in DES-VLST

55/male

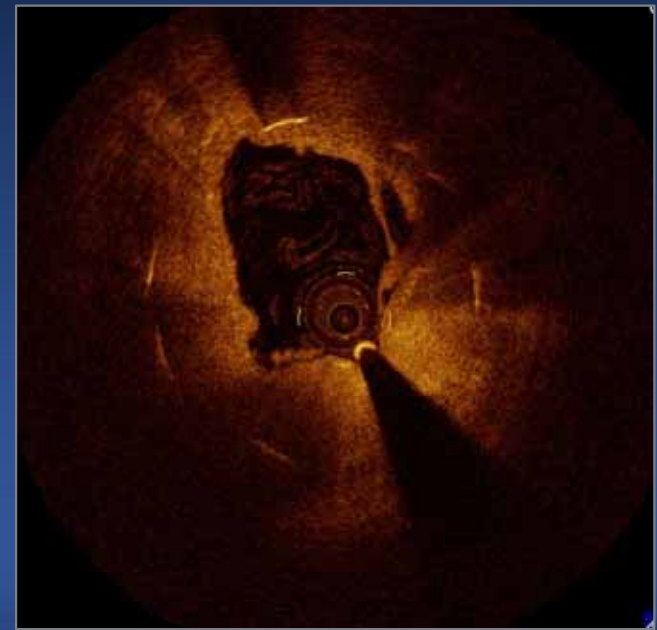
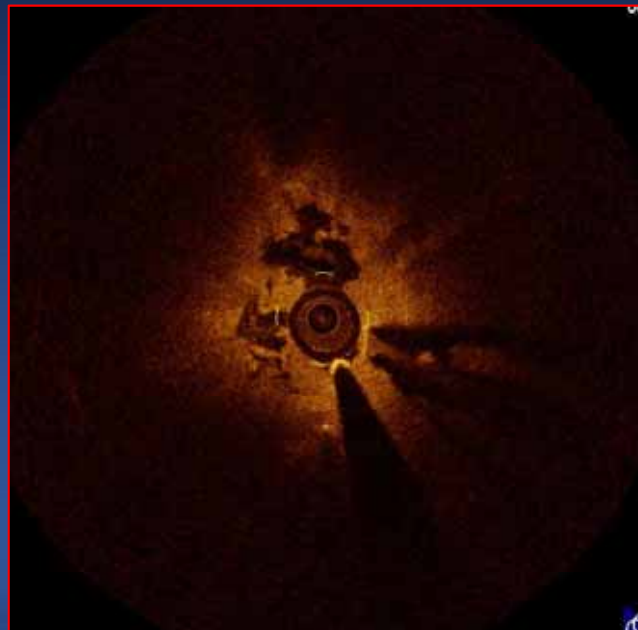
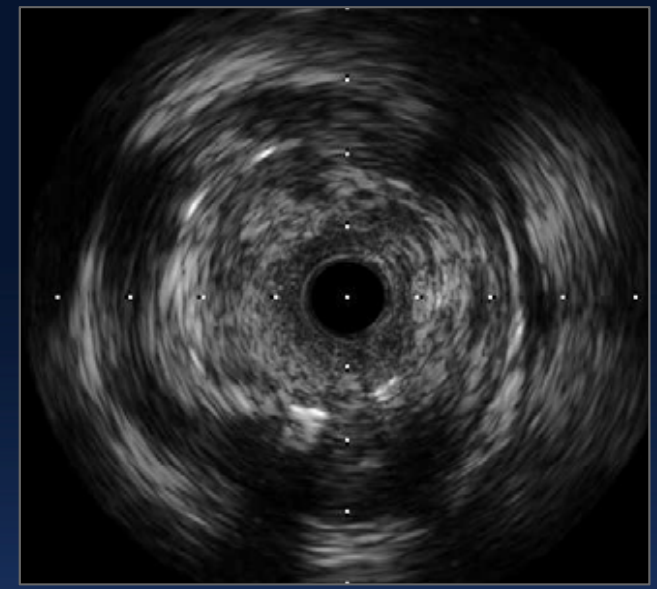
- SES 7 years ago
- VLST with STEMI



At fracture site



Adjacent intimal rupture



Acute Stent Malapposition (ASM)

Little Evidence Linking ASM to MACE

Study	ASM frequency	Clinical outcomes
HORIZON-AMI¹	34% of PES 39% of BMS	39% resolved by negative remodeling No difference in 13-month MACE
TAXUS IV,V,VI²	9.7% of PES 7.2% of BMS	No difference in 9-mo MACE between ASM vs. control (12% vs. 9%, p=0.45)
Hong et al.³	7.2% of DES	No MACE or TLR at 6 months
Kimura et al.⁴	18% of SES	25% of ASM resolved at 6 months No ISR or ST

¹Guo et al. *Circulation* 2010;122:1077-84

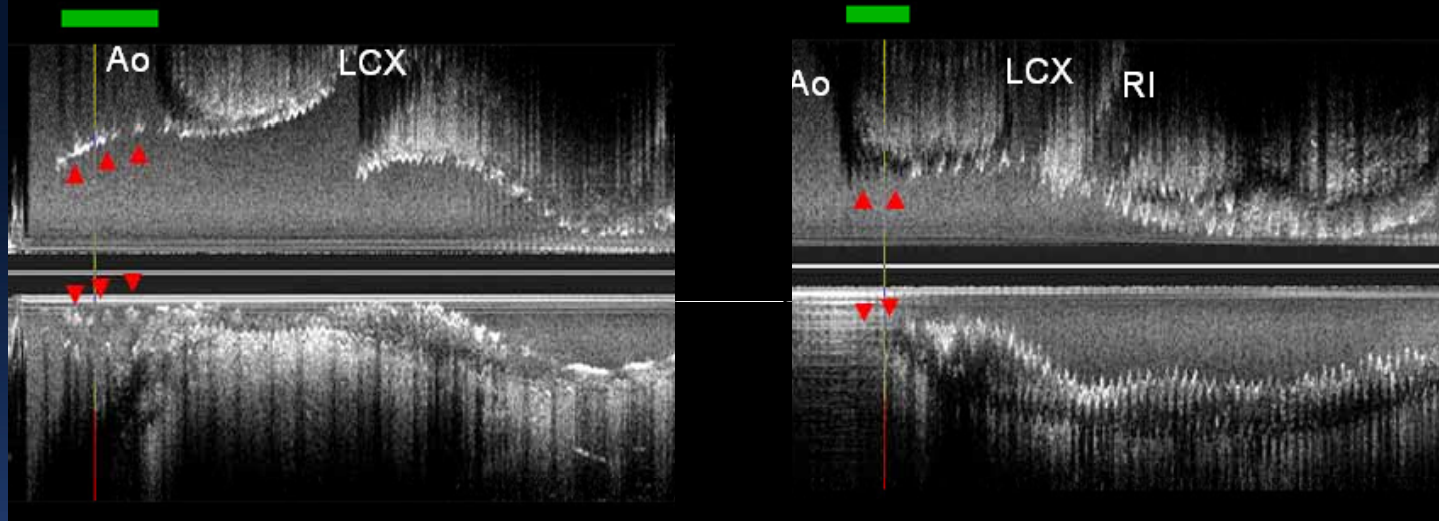
²Steinberg et al. *JACC interv* 2010;3:486-94

³Hong et al. *Circulation* 2006;113:414-9

⁴Kimura et al. *Am J Cardiol* 2006;98:36-42

Intravascular Ultrasound Assessment of Drug-Eluting Stent Coverage of the Coronary Ostium and Effect on Outcomes

Strut protrusion Incomplete coverage



- LMCA 68% (length 3.4 ± 1.7 mm)
- RCA 59%
- LAD 53%
- LMCA 23%
- RCA 28%
- LAD 33% (residual PB 42 ± 11 %)

Ostial Restenosis Rate

- with vs. without strut protrusion (3.2% vs. 2.3%), $p=NS$
- incomplete vs. complete coverage (2.4% vs. 3.0%), $p=NS$

Kang et al. Am J Cardiol 2013 in press

Summary

- IVUS provides new insights for mechanisms of restenosis
- Intimal hyperplasia is a general mechanism of DES-ISR. In-stent neoatherosclerosis is an important mechanism of the late restenosis
- As preventable mechanisms, underexpansion and large reference residual plaque should be corrected to avoid stent failure