

# **Endovascular Revascularization is the Best Option in CLI: When and How?**



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# Critical Limb Ischemia



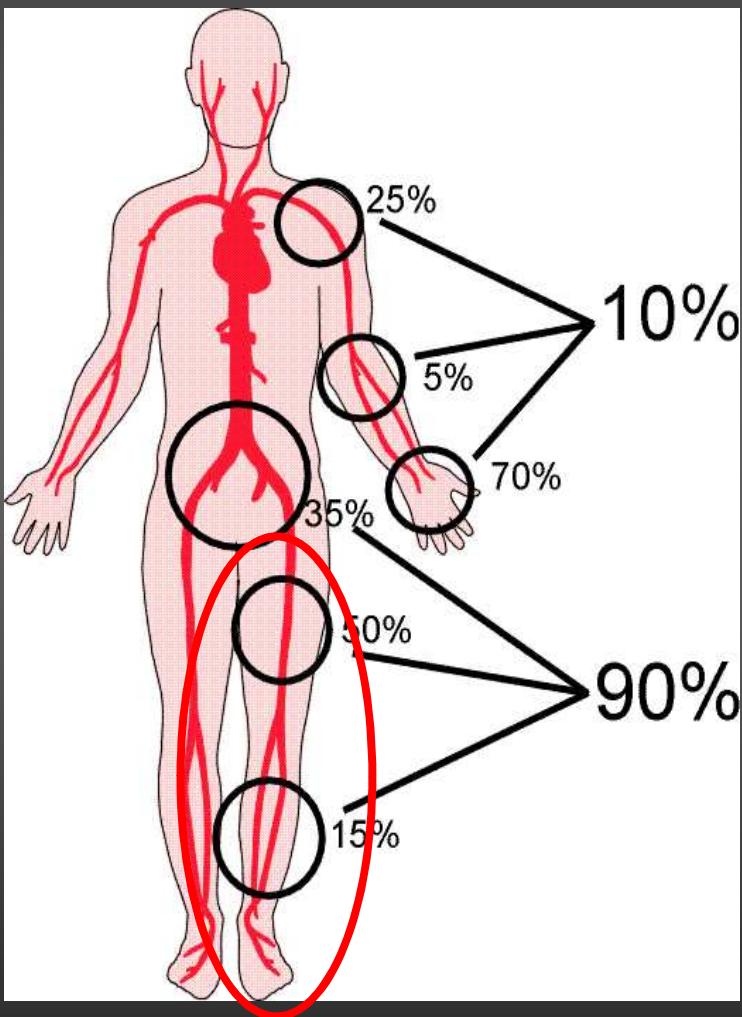
## Definition:

- Critical reduction of the arterial perfusion
- Arterial pressure  
 $< 50 \text{ mmHg}$  (ankle)  
 $< 30 \text{ mmHg}$  (toe)

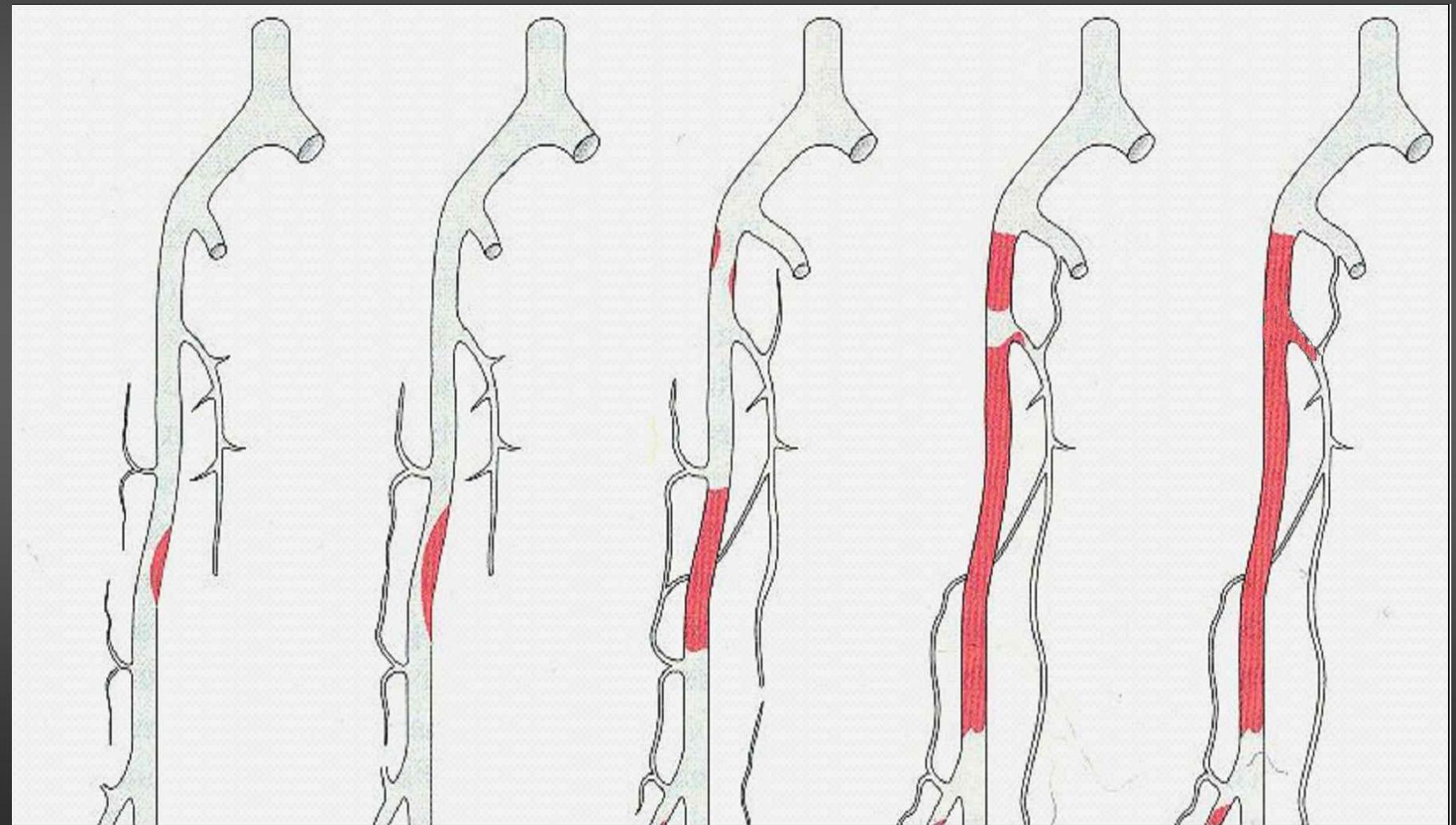
## Rutherford Category

- 4 Ischaemic rest pain
- 5 Ulcera and gangrene

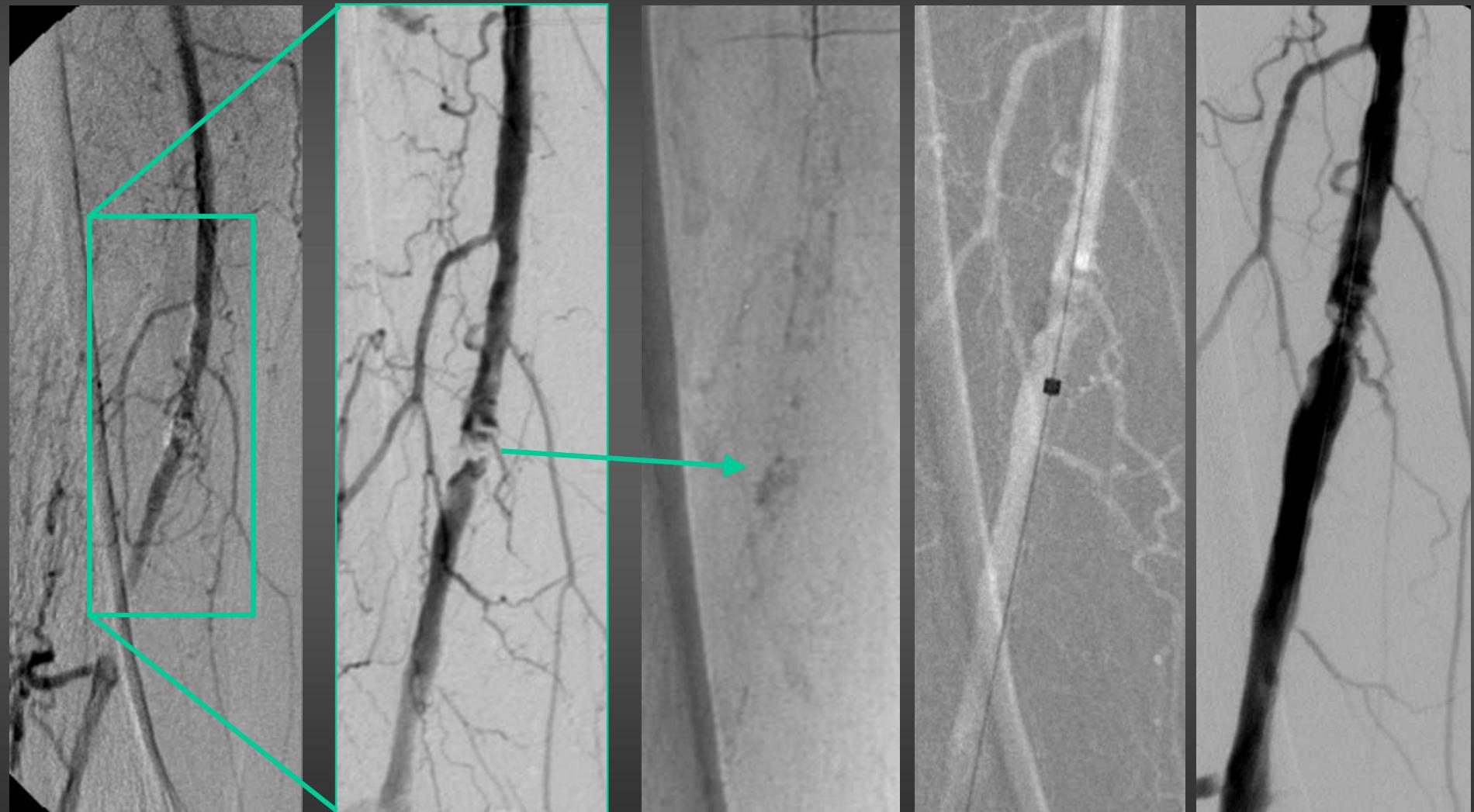
# Distribution of Lesions in CLI



# The SFA-CTO



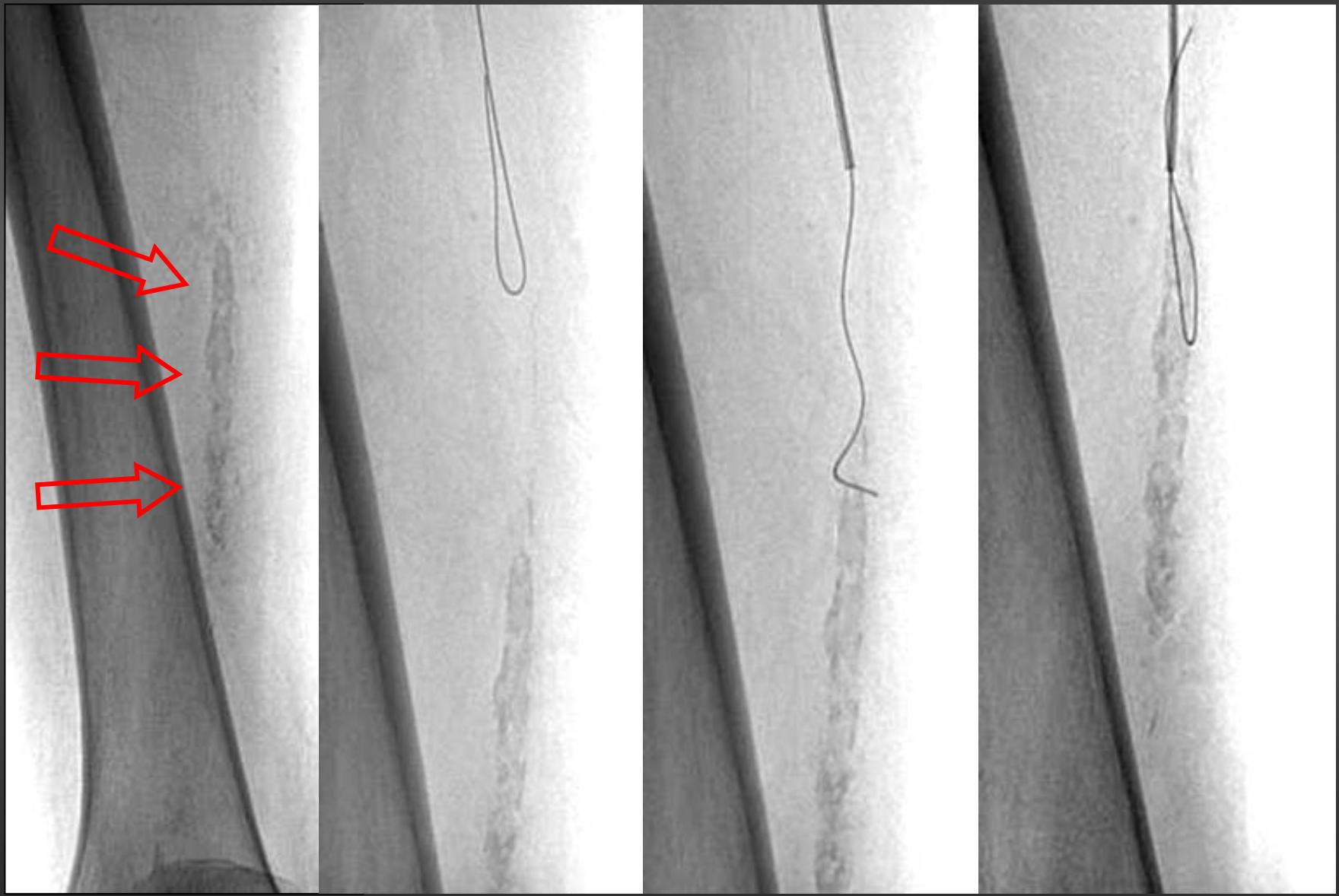
# Highly calcified occlusion right SFA



Unsuccessful wire-passage

2.5mm Turbo-Laser

# Subintimal Recanalization



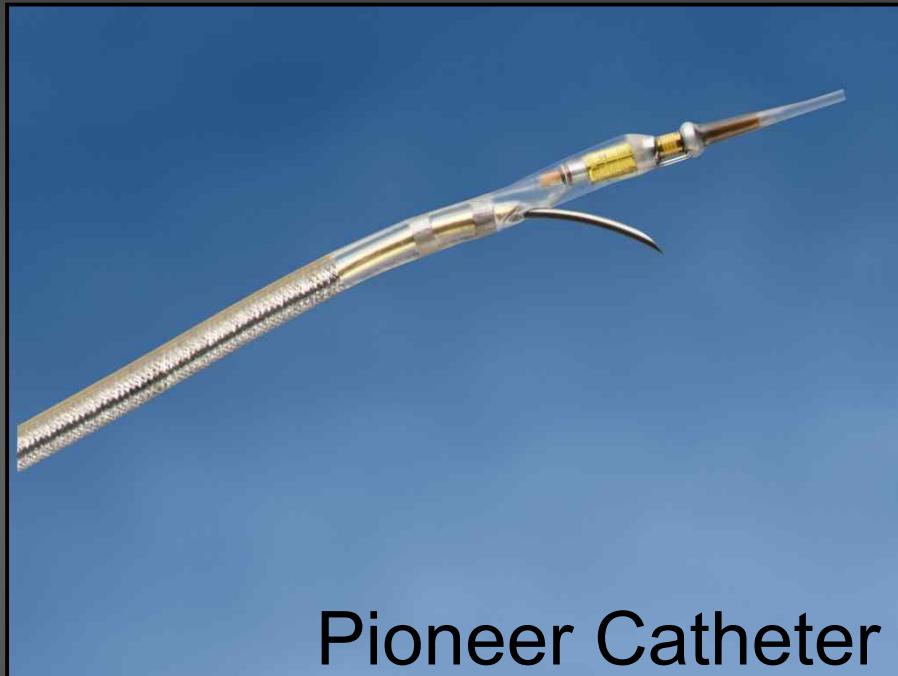
# **Subintimal Angioplasty**



**10-15% failures due to inability  
to re-enter the true lumen .**

**Major potential problem :**  
**Distal extension of the dissection  
with involvement of the first  
popliteal segment or below.**

# Re-Entry-Devices



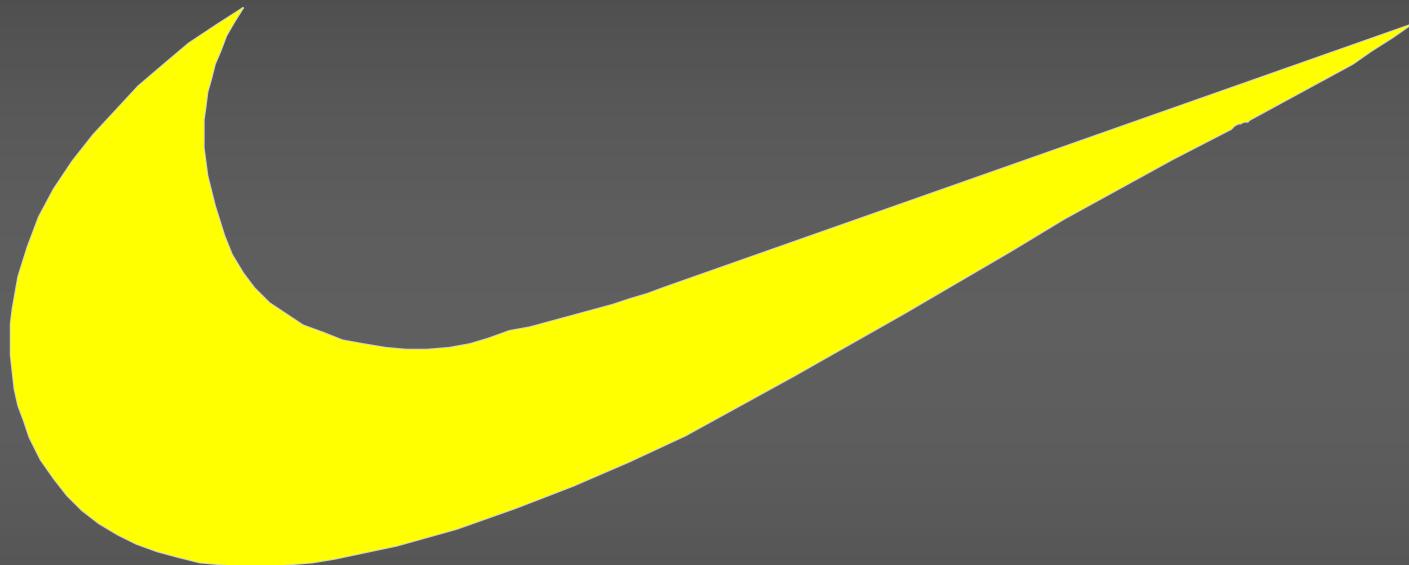
Pioneer Catheter



Outback Catheter

Crossing Success  
 $> 95\%$

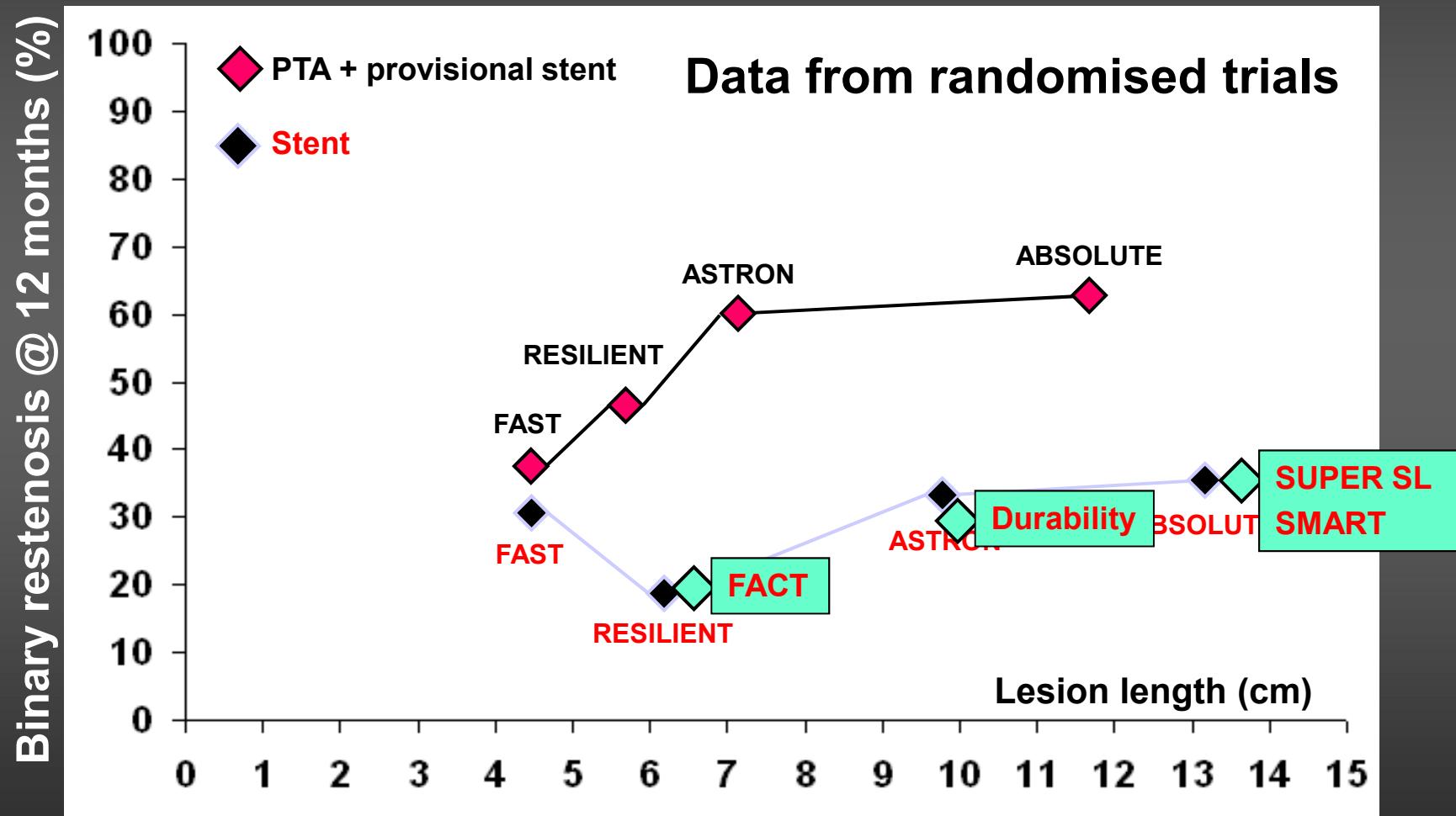
**After Crossing ... What's next?**



**Just stent it.**

# Summary

## 12 months restenosis vs. lesion length



Modified from Schillinger et al, EURO-PCR 2008

# Risk Factors for Stent-Fractures

- Multivariate Analysis

95% CI	RR	p
Stent length >160mm	5.559	<0.0013.166
Severe Calcification	3.941	<0.0012.261

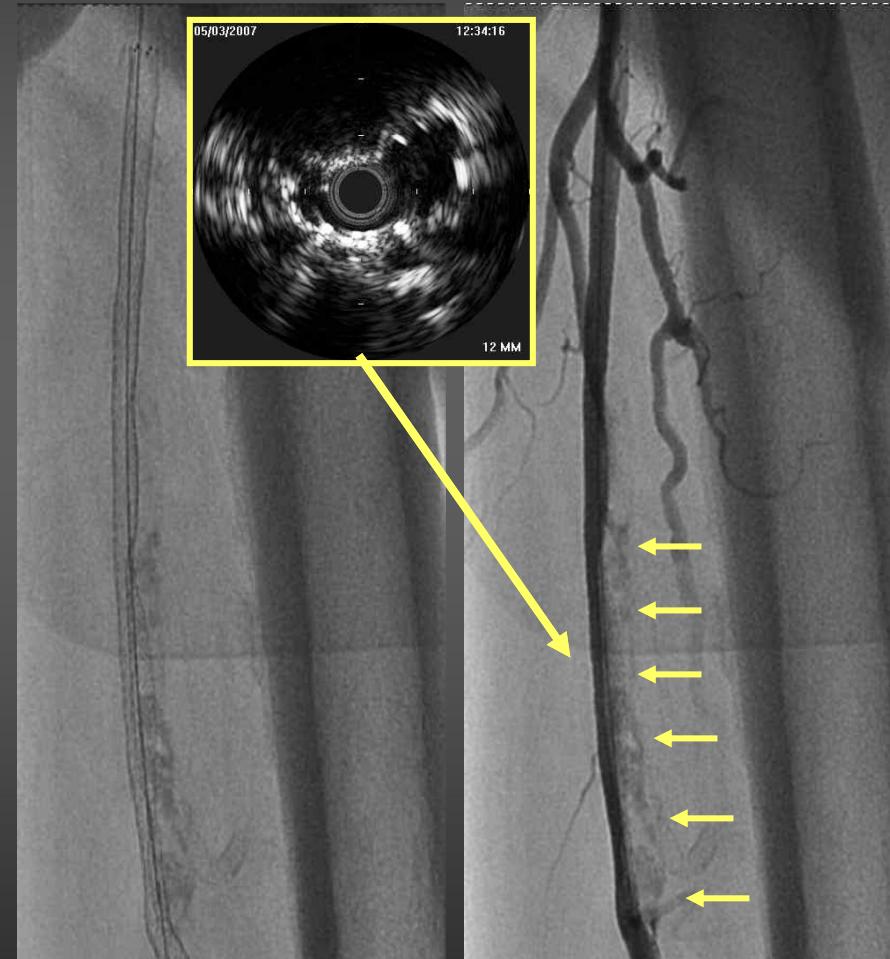
Location of the stent was no predictor !

# Insufficient Radial Resistive Force Results in Suboptimal Deployments

Angio AP projection



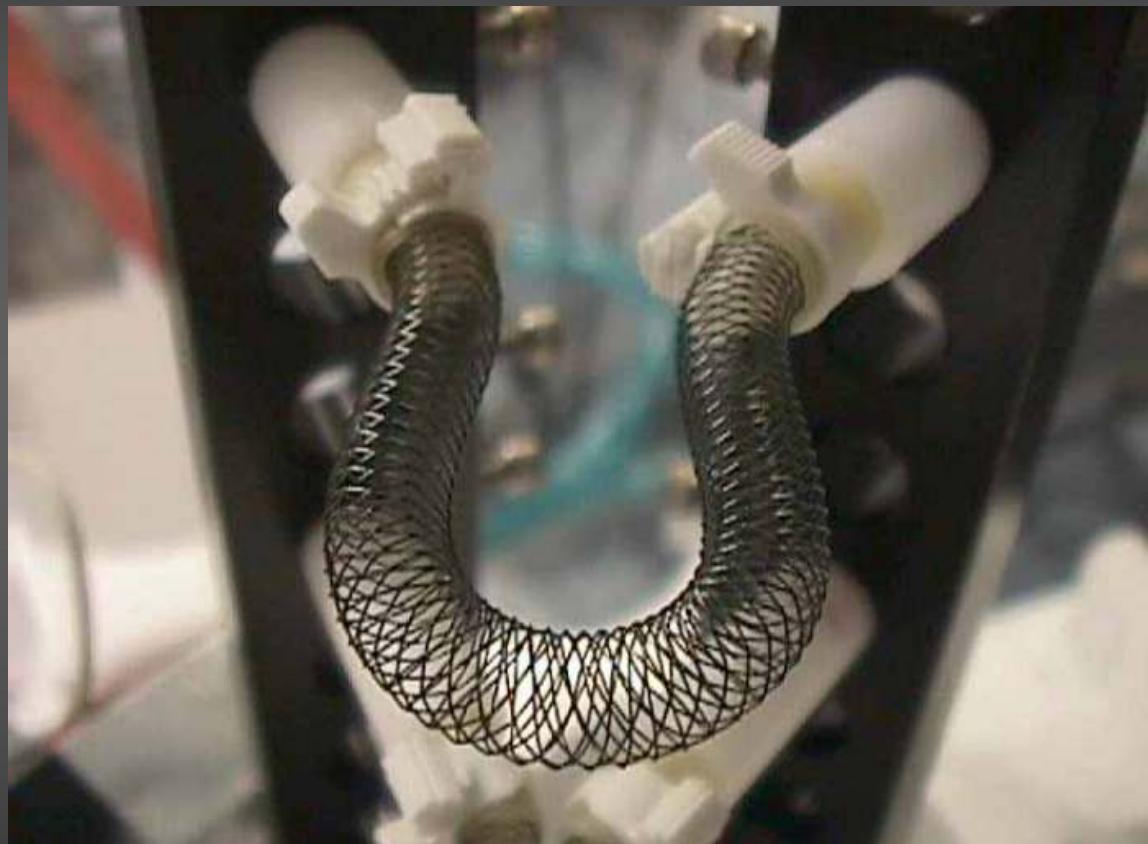
Angio LAO projection



# SUPERA Stent

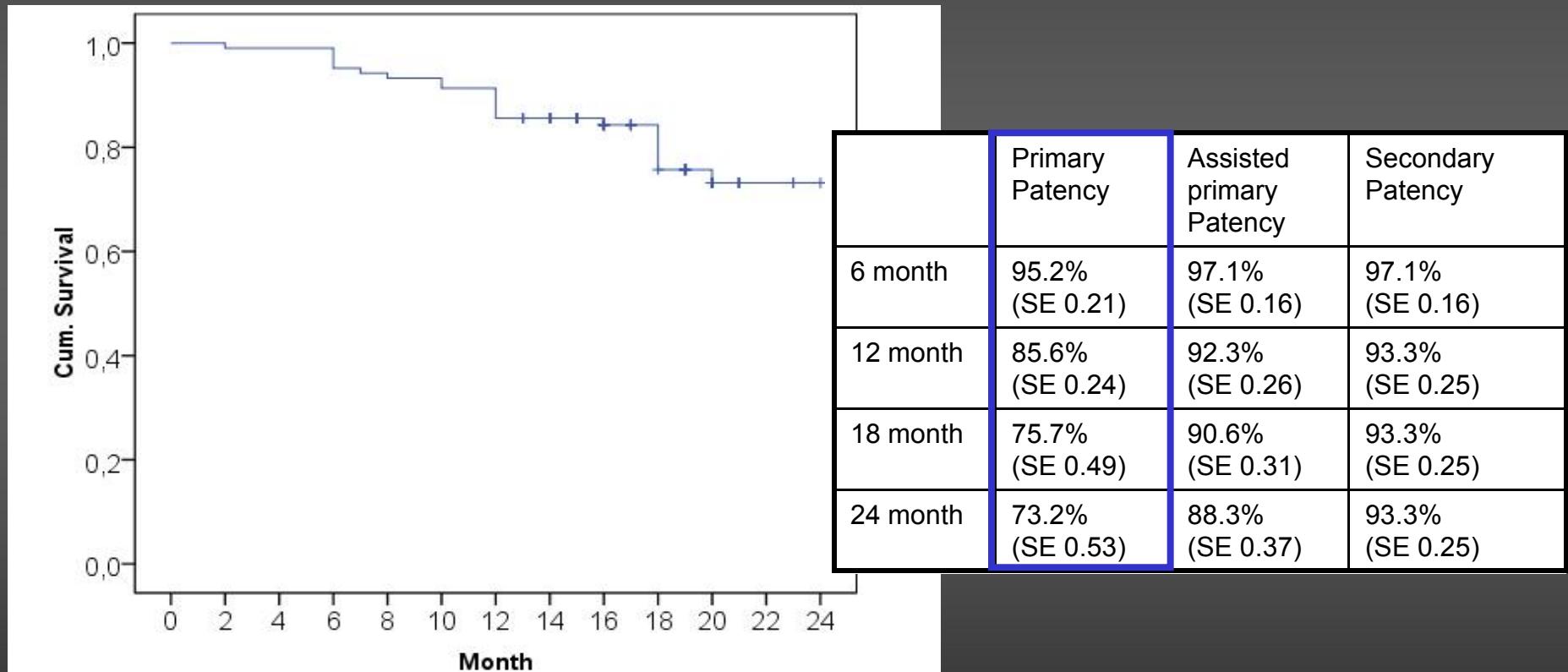
## Interwoven Nitinol Design

- Diameter:
  - 4.0 – 10.0 mm
- Length:
  - 40 – 150 mm
- Introducer:
  - 7F
- Working length:
  - 90 cm
  - 120 cm



# Leipzig SUPERA-Registry

## SFA-Registry (n=107)



88 patients had an x-ray screening after 14.1 +/- 4 months:  
No stent fractures detected!

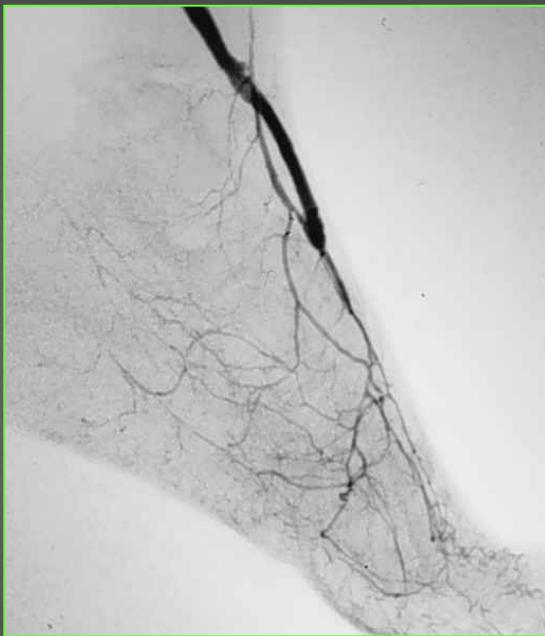
# Characteristics of Patients with Infrapopliteal Obstructions

- Severe symptoms
  - Often critical ischemia
- Diabetes mellitus in up to 80%
- Older patients
- Significantly more concomitant diseases  
(Cardiac, cerebrovascular, renal, pulmonar)

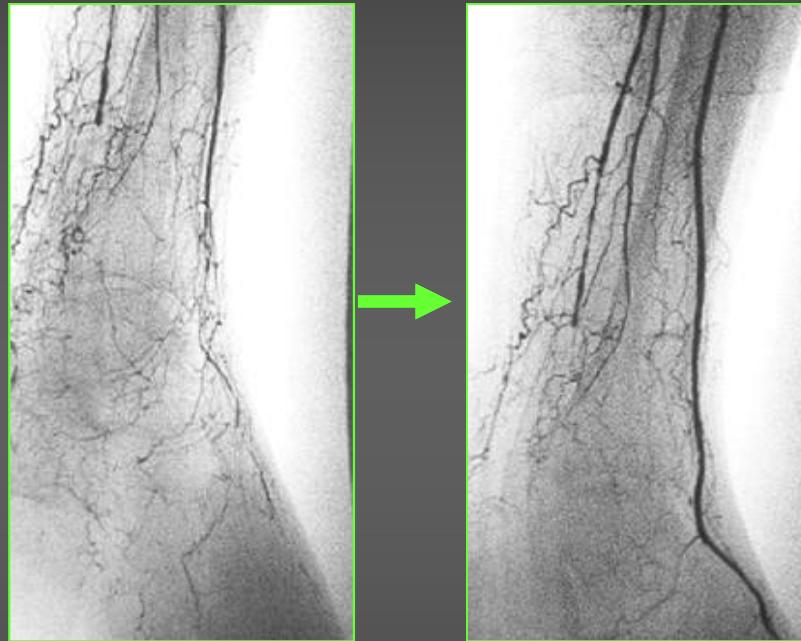


# OP vs. Interventional Therapy

- Surgery



- Interventional therapy

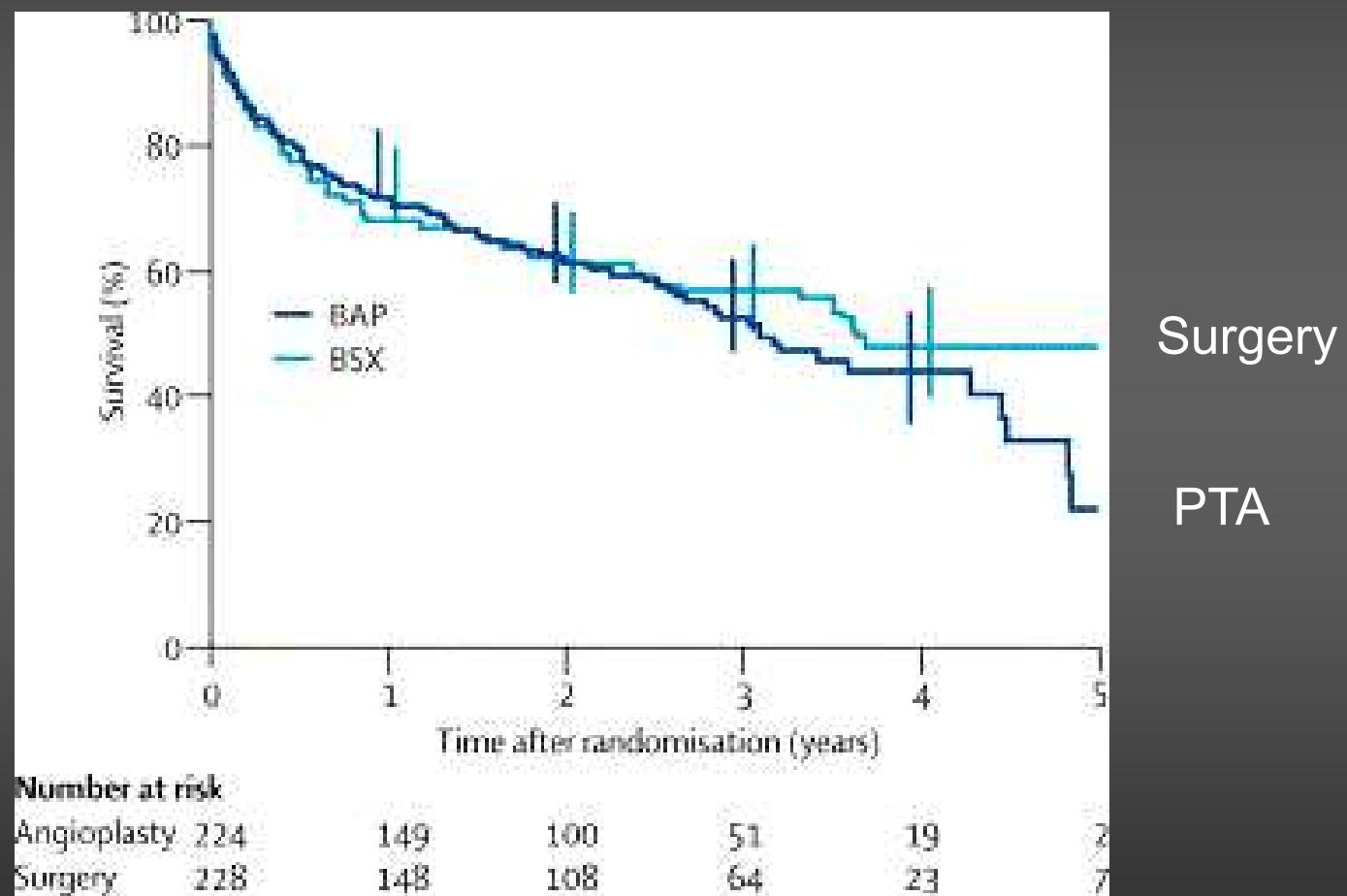


Decision depending on

- Comorbidity
- Availability of veins
- Morphology of the obstruction

# Bypass vs. Angioplasty in Severe Ischemia of the Leg (BASIL)

## Amputation-free Survival



Lancet 2005:366: 1925

# Recommendations for Treatment of Critical Limb Ischemia

TransAtlantic Inter-Society Consensus 2007

**Recommendation 35:** Choosing between techniques with equivalent short- and long-term clinical outcomes

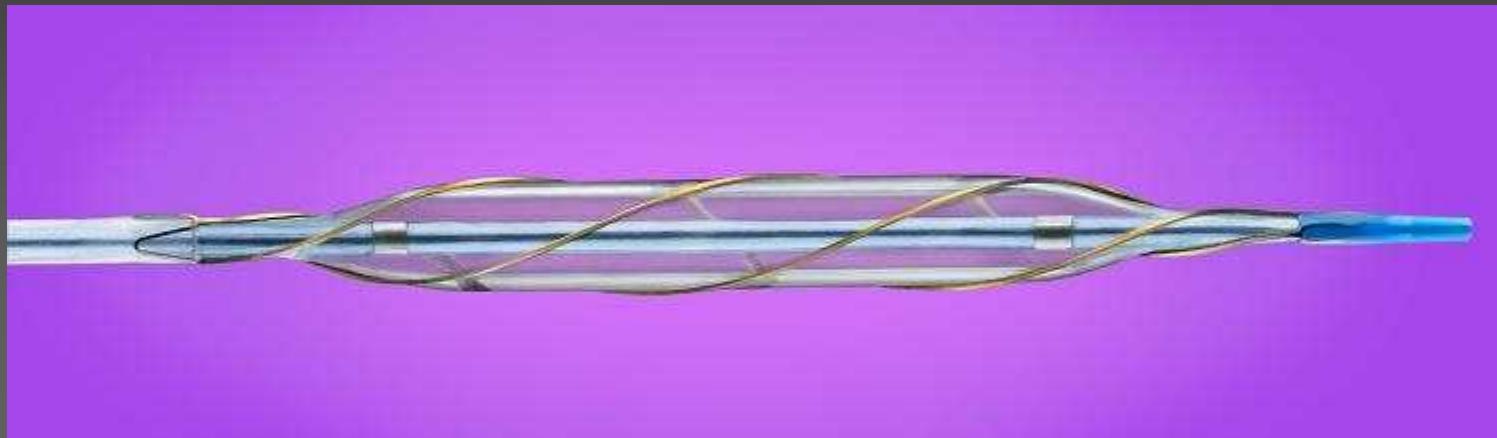
- In a situation where endovascular revascularization and open repair/bypass of a specific lesion causing symptoms of peripheral arterial disease give equivalent short-term and long-term symptomatic improvement, endovascular techniques should be used first [B]

The less invasive Technique should be preferred

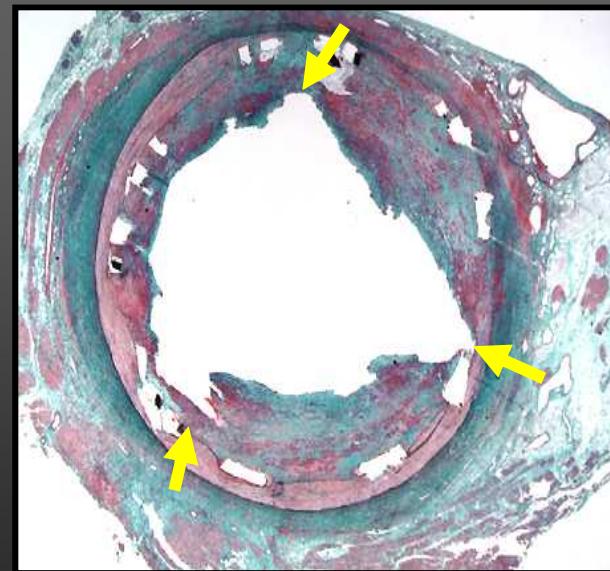
# **Techniques for Recanalization of Infrapopliteal Lesions**

- Cutting/ Scoring balloon
- Atherectomy
- Laser-recanalization
- Stent-implantation
- DES / DEB

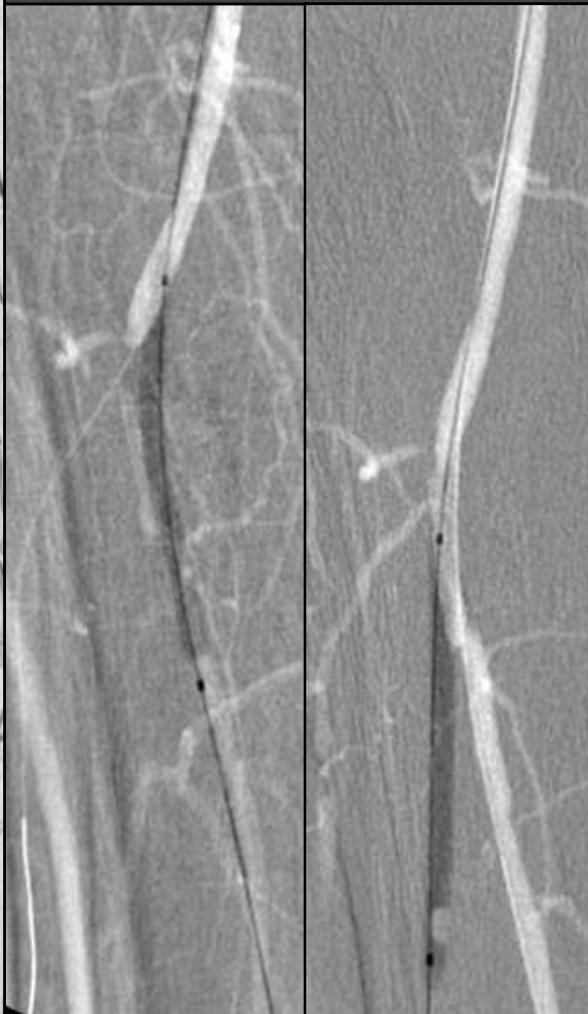
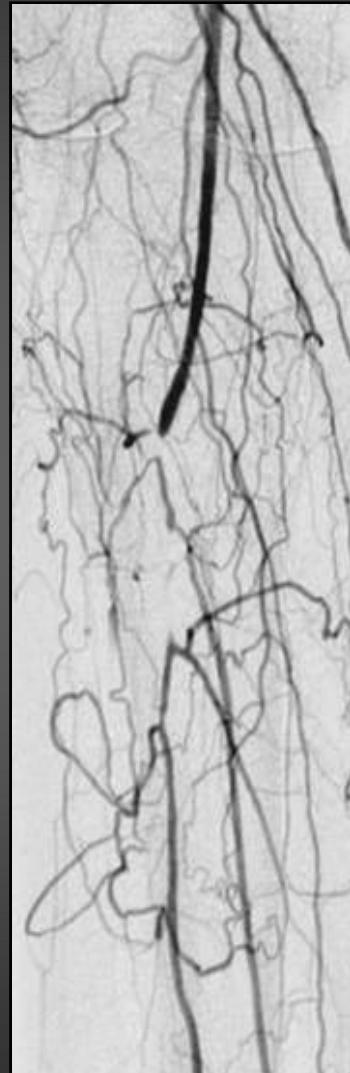
# Angioscupt Scoring Balloon



Semi-compliant balloon  
with an external nitinol  
shape memory helical  
scoring edge

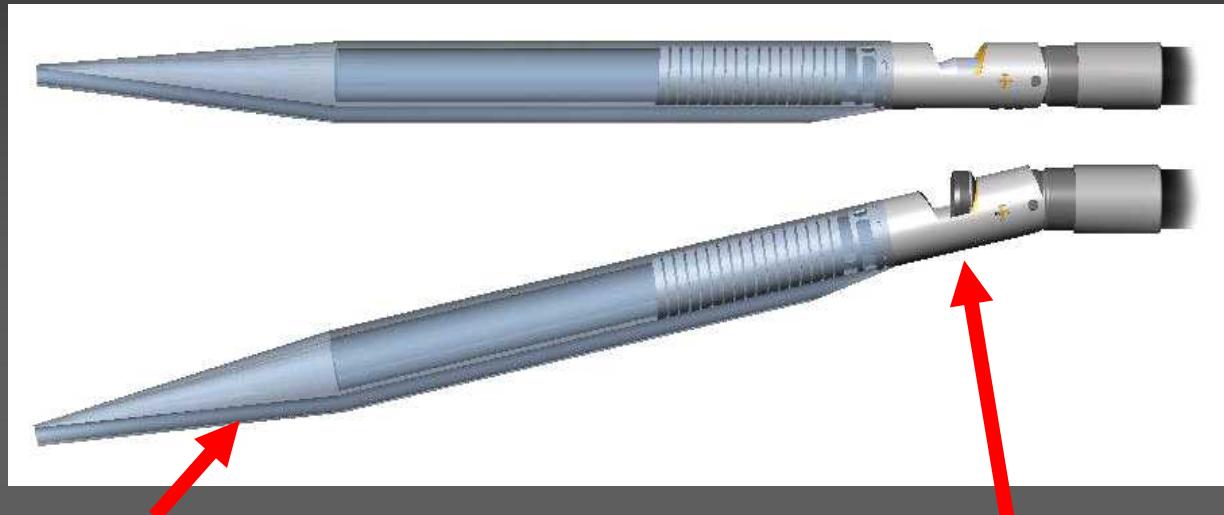


# Short Intrapopliteal Lesions



TPT-occlusion

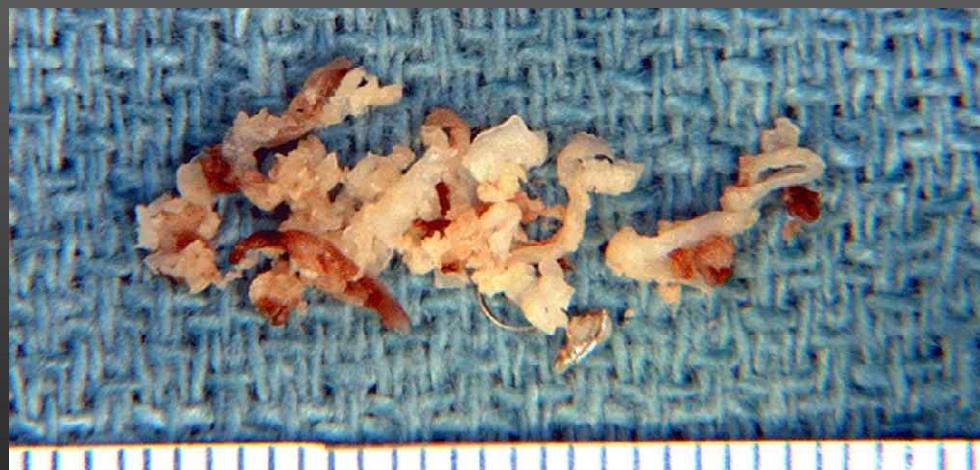
# Silverhawk Atherectomy Device



Tissue Storage Tip

Cutter

Tissue excised  
from the lesion



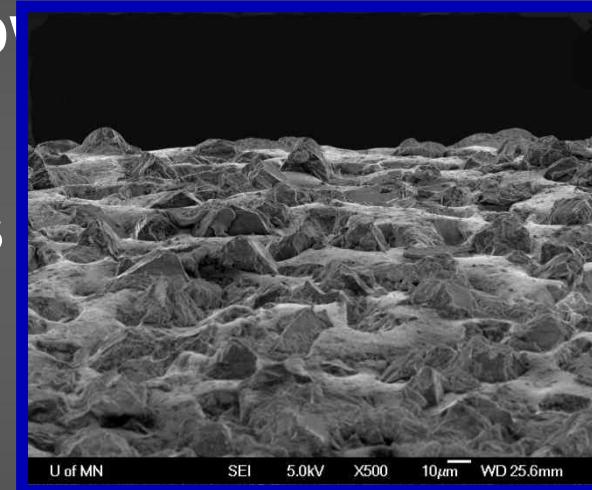
# ZilverHawk Experience BTK

- 36 patients, 53% CLI
- 49 infrapopliteal lesions
- 98% technical success using the SilverHawk
- 2-years follow-up
  - No major amputation, no bypass-surgery
  - Primary patency (duplex) 60 %

Zeller et al., *J Endovasc Ther* 2007

# CSI Orbital Atherectomy System (OAS)

- Rotational atherectomy system using an excentric diamond crown



- Crown sizes
  - 1.2 mm
  - 1.7 mm
  - 1.9 mm



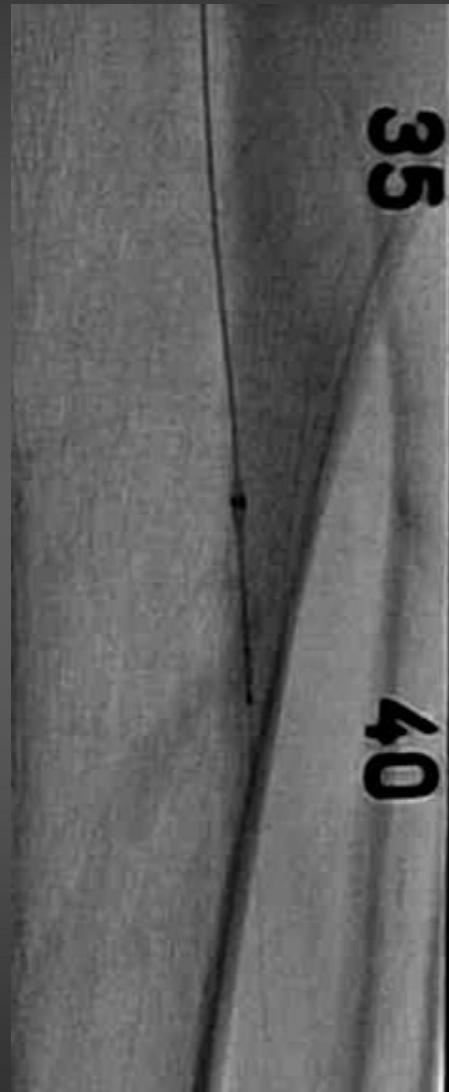
- Three different speeds:
  - 80.000 rpm
  - 140.000 rpm
  - 200.000 rpm



# OAS Atherectomy System



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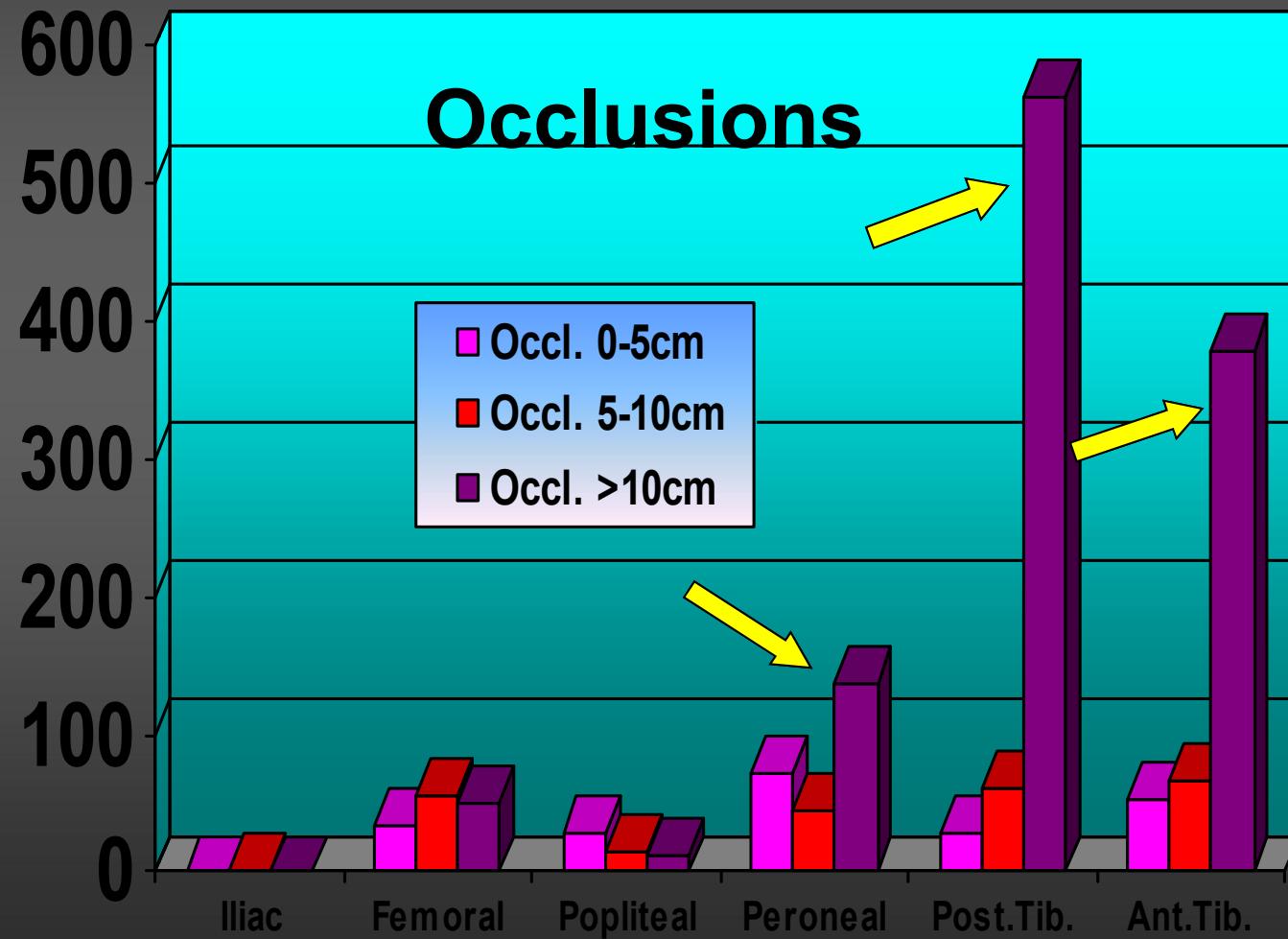


OAS 1.7 mm



Stand-alone result

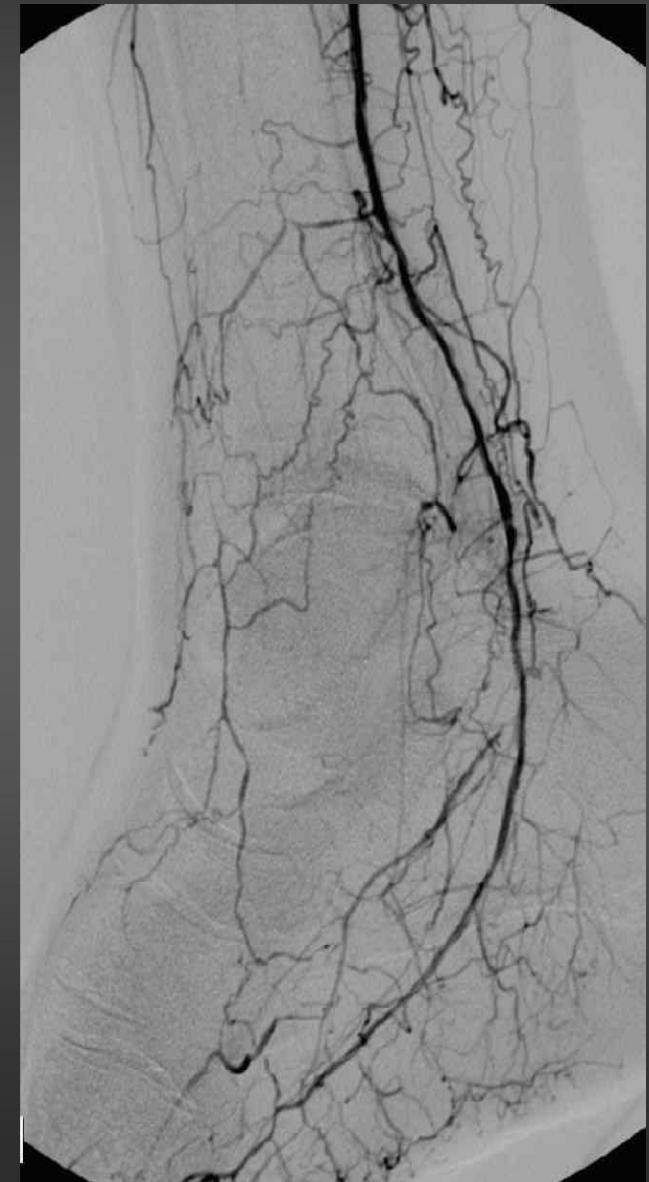
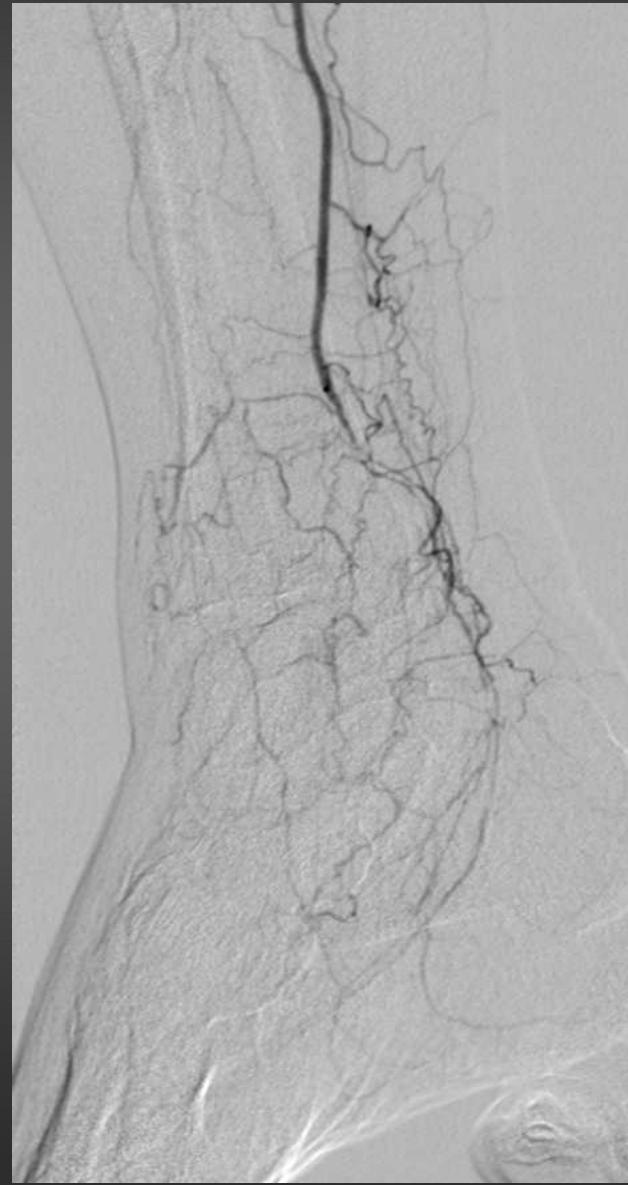
# TYPE AND DISTRIBUTION OF 2,893 LESIONS in 417 Consecutive Diabetic with Ischaemic Foot Ulcer: (Graziani et al. unpublished data)



# **Equipment for PTA of Extensive Infrapopliteal Lesions**

- Hydrophilic 0.018“ or 0.014“ guidewire
  - V18 Control-wire (Boston Scientific)
  - PT2, PT Choice, PT Graphix (Boston Scientific)
- Low-profile balloons
  - Diameter 2.0 – 3.5 mm
  - Length 80 – 210 mm
    - OTW 0.018“ eg. Pacific Extreme (Invatec)
    - OTW 0.014“ eg. Amphirion (Invatec)

# Diabetes Patient with Foot Ulcers



# PTA of diffuse infrapopliteal lesions

- Patients 56
- Diabetes mellitus 82 %
- Clinical vascular status
  - Rutherford Class IV 15 (27 %)
  - Rutherford Class V 43 (73 %)
- Average lesion length **18.5 cm** (5 – 30 mm)
- Occlusion 45 (80 %)

- Successfully recanalized limbs 50 / 56 (**89 %**)
- Successfully recanalized arteries 54 / 71 (**76 %**)

# Clinical and angiographical follow-up after PTA of diffuse BTK-lesions

Follow-up in (n)	29
– Mean follow-up (months)	$3.4 \pm 1.6$

## Clinical follow-up:

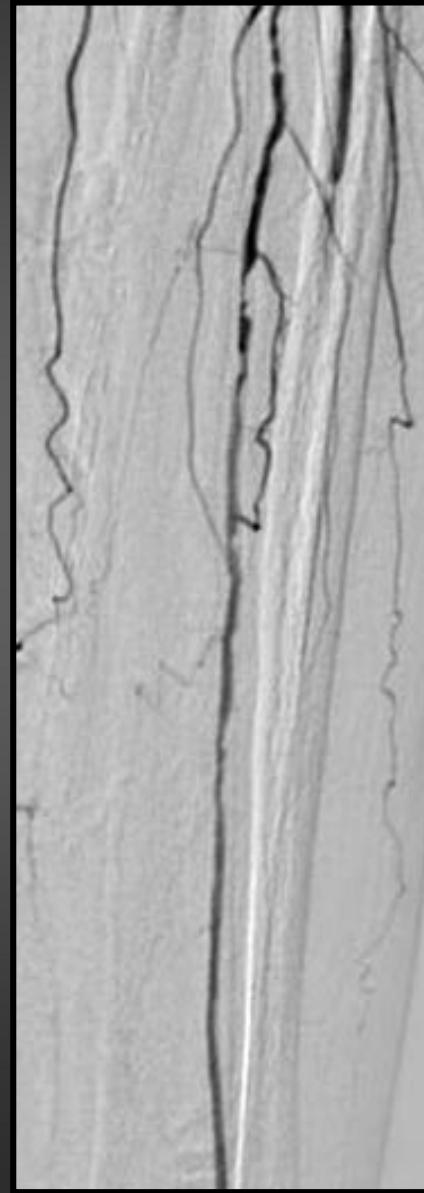
Improvement	21 ( 72.4 % )
Unchanged	7 ( 24.1 % )
Worsened	1 ( 3.4 % )

- Bypass-surgery 0
- Minor amputation 5 (17 % )
- Major amputation 0

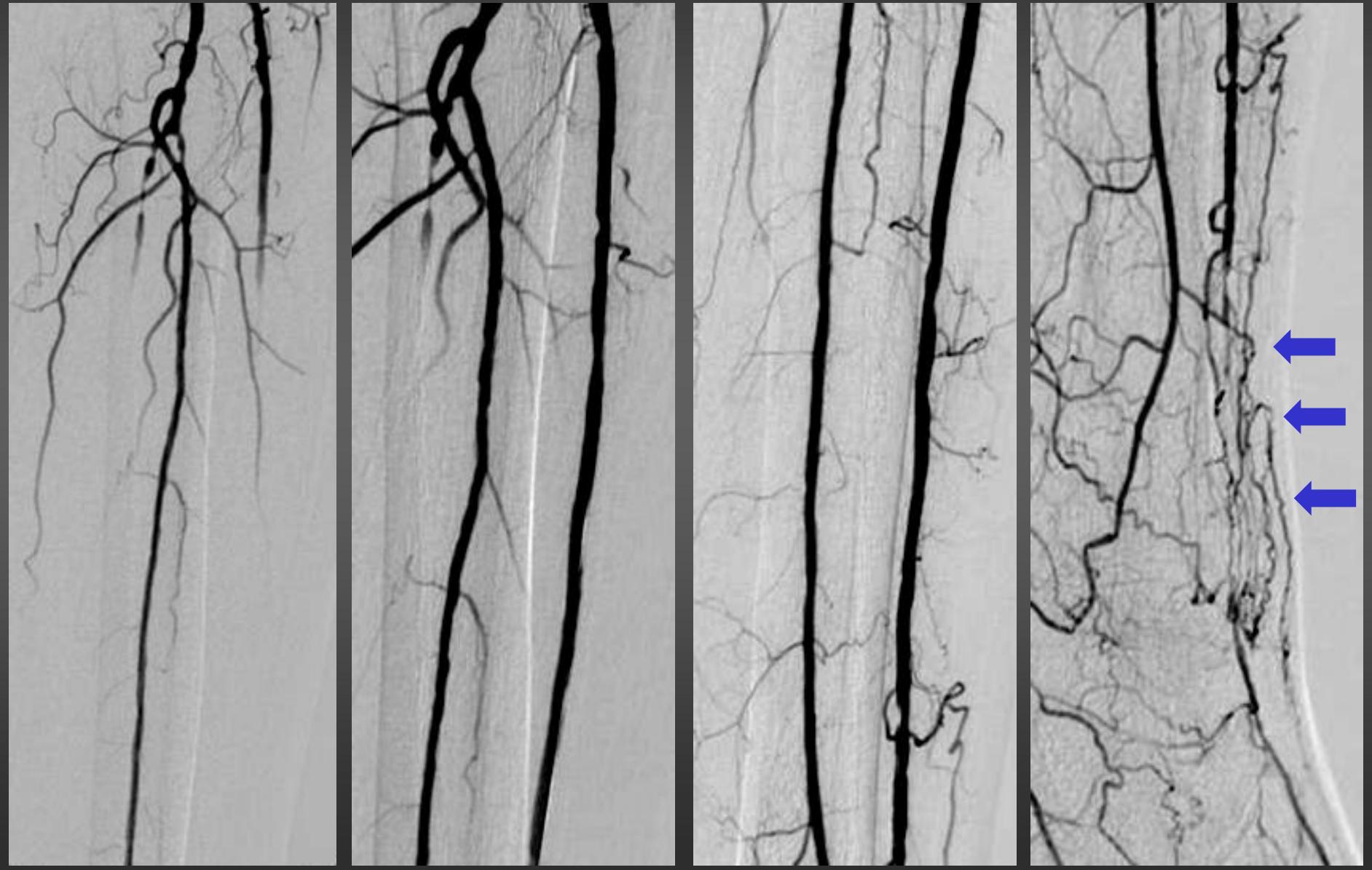
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- Revascularization of multiple vessels ?

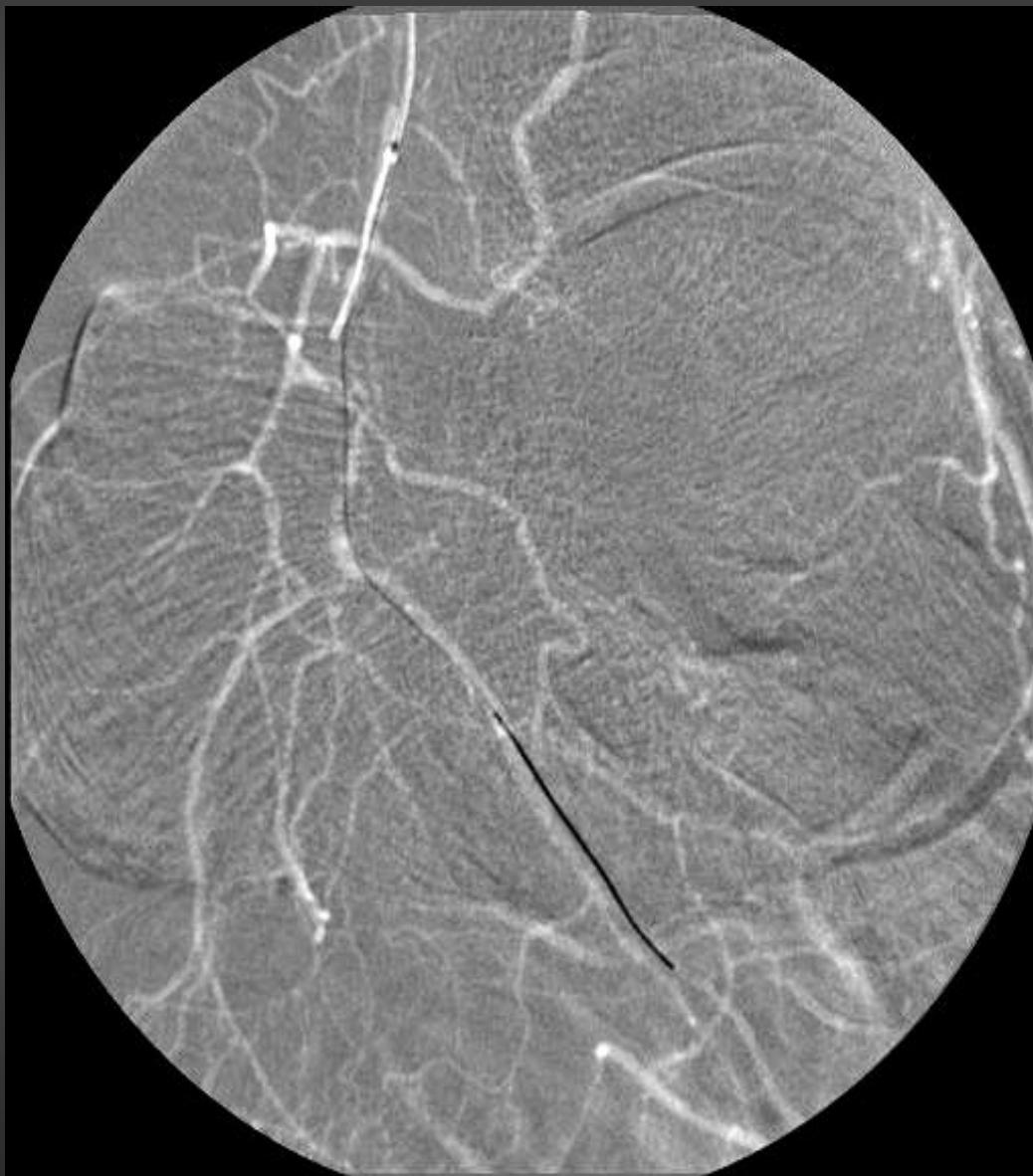
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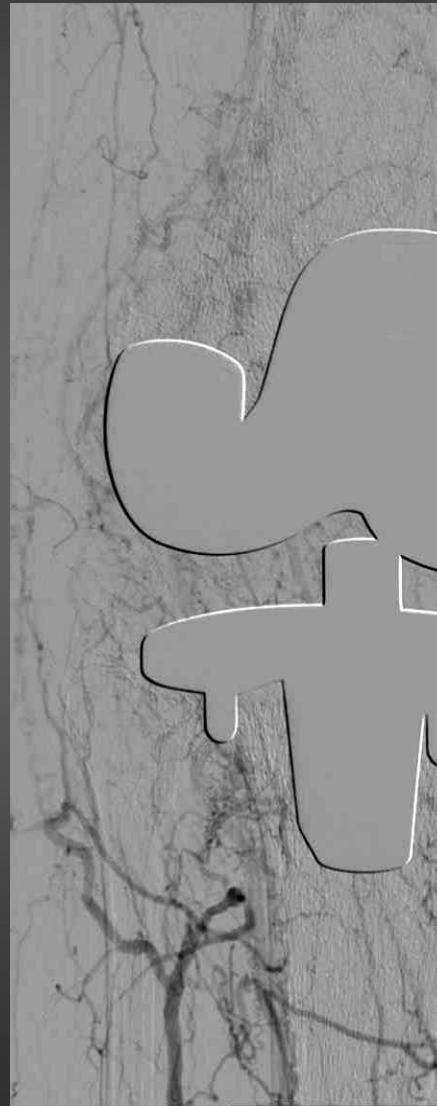
- Alternative approaches for CTO`s in case of failure to cross:
  - Transpedal
  - Transcollateral

# **Transpedal Recanalization**

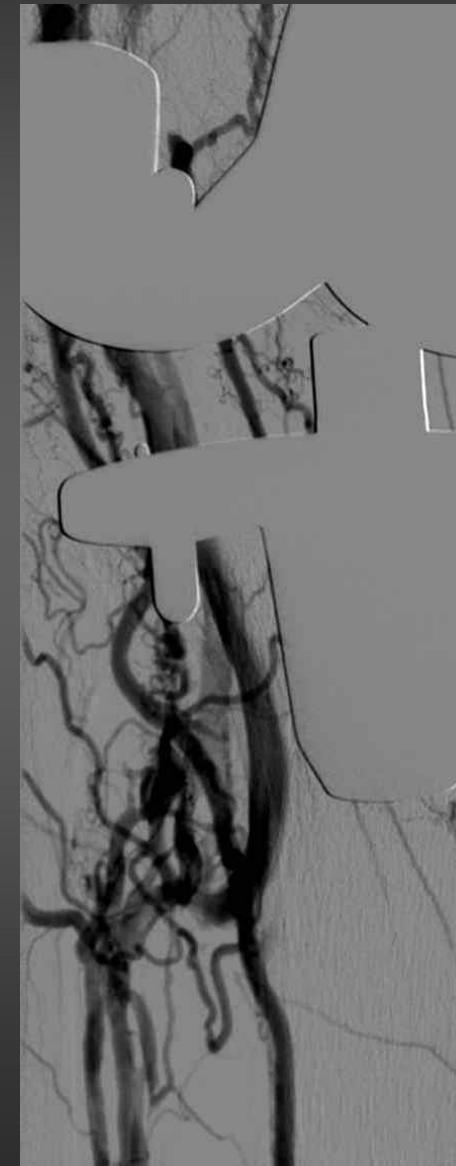
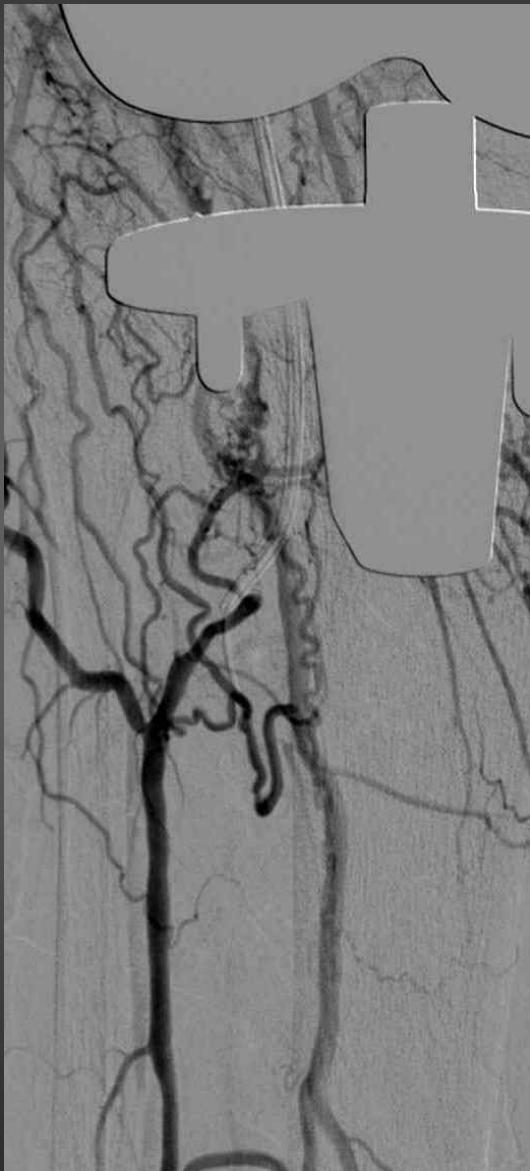
## **- Sheathless technique -**



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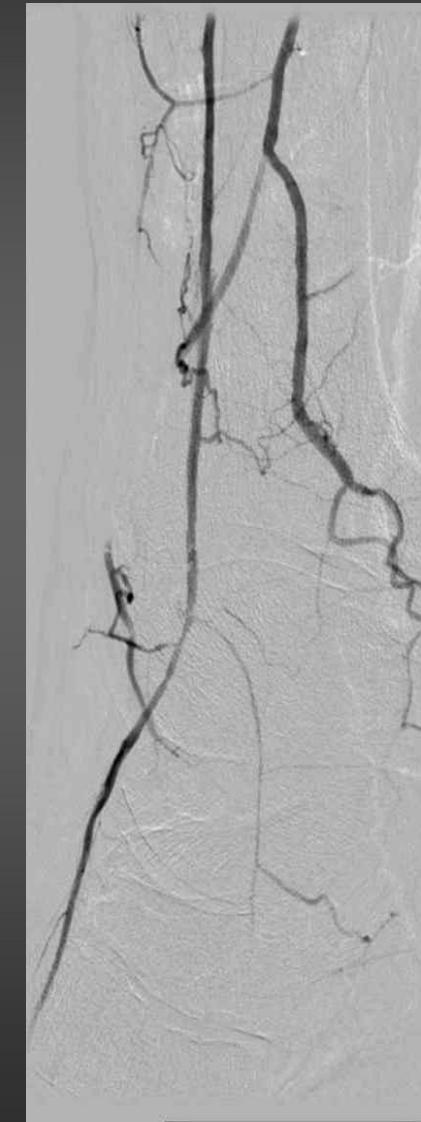
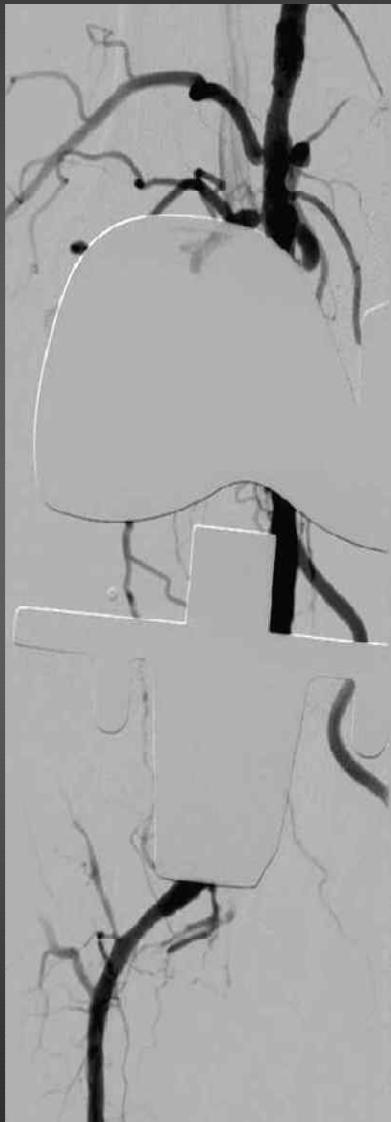
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# **Transpedal Approach for infrapopliteal Angioplasty**

- Success-rate in long BTK-occlusions ~ 80%
- 29 patients with infrapopliteal occlusions and failed antegrade intervention
- Retrograde access in all patients possible
- Interventional success in 21 / 29 (72.4 %)

Baker et al. J Endovasc Ther 2008

# **How can we improve the results of BTK angioplasty?**

- Stents and DES ?

# Stents for Revascularisation of Infrapopliteal Arteries



Re-occlusion PTA  
2 weeks after PTA



BX-Stent 2.5/33mm



# Stents dedicated for Infrapopliteal Arteries

- Selfexpanding stents

Astron Pulsar (Biotronik)

Xpert-Stent (Abbott)

Maris Deep (Invatec)

- $\emptyset$

3, 4 mm

- Max. length

80 mm

- Balloon-expandable stents

Chromis Deep (Invatec)

2-4 mm

# PTA vs. Stenting for infrapopliteal Obstructions

	Angioplasty n=74	Stenting n=58	P
Procedural Success	79%	95%	<0.01
Clinical Improvement	74%	90%	<0.05
Clinical Patency 12 Months	53%	84%	<0.01



Angiographic Restenosis Rate  
53%

Scheinert D et al. EuroPCR 2003

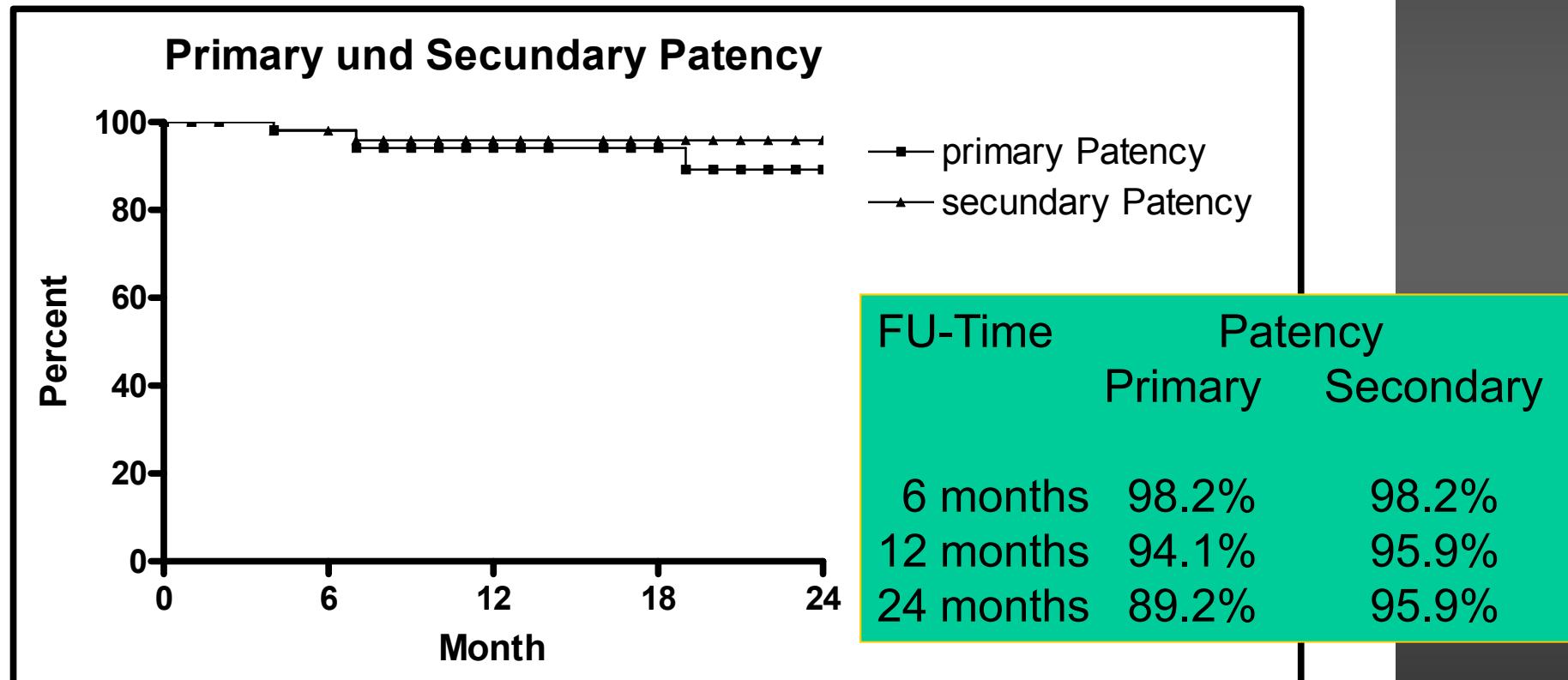
# DES vs. Bare-metal Stent in Infrapopliteal Arteries

- Non-randomized comparison BMS vs. Cypher
- 6-months angiographic binary restenosis

	BMS	DES
Scheinert 2006	56 %	0 %
Siablis 2006	55 %	4 %
Bosiers 2006	-	0 %

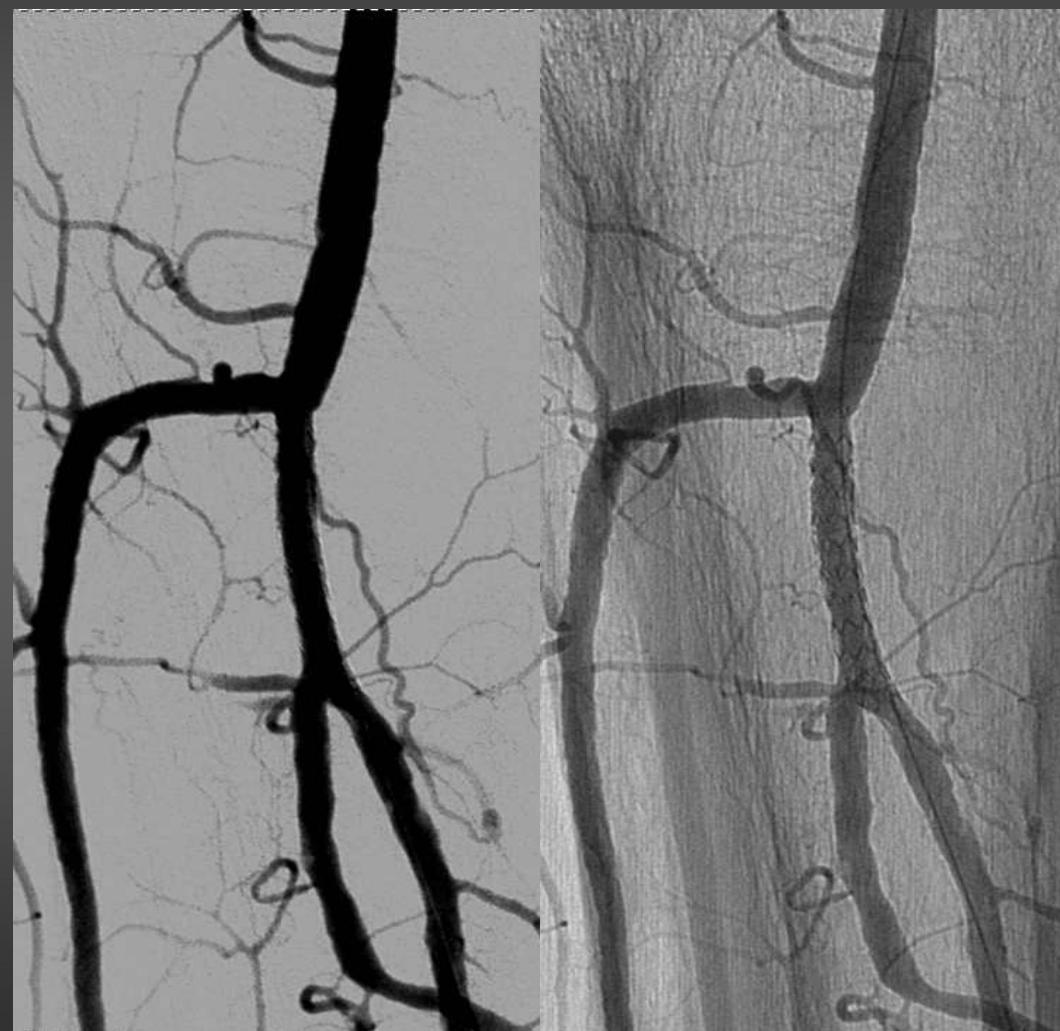
# Cypher – BTK Registry

## Angiographic Stent Patency

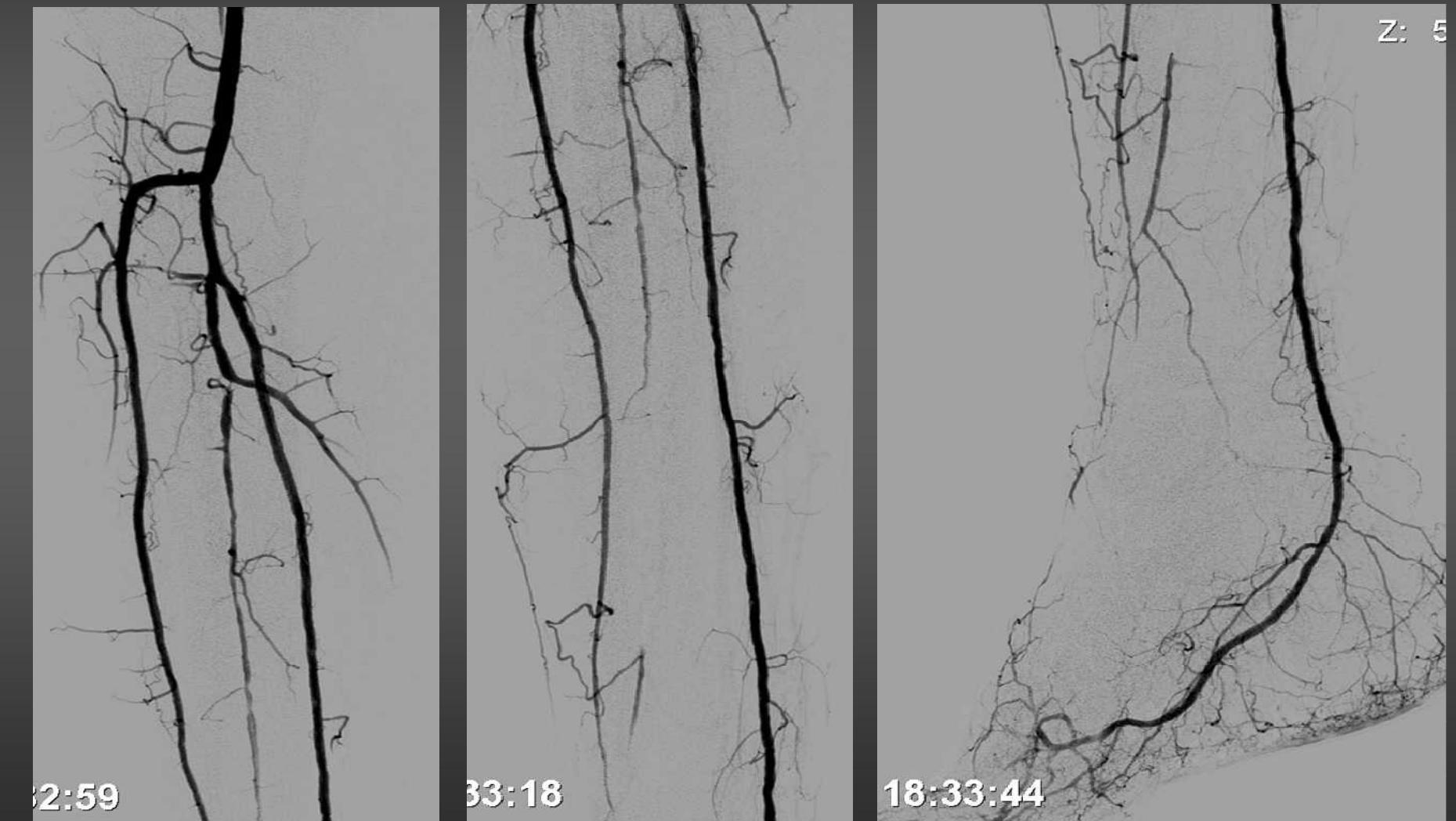


Scheinert D et al. TCT 2006

# Cypher for BTK



# Cypher for BTK 6-months FU



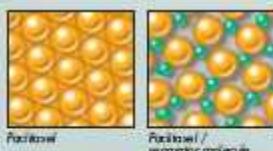
## Novel Treatment Concept

# IN.PACT AMPHIRION

### Paclitaxel-eluting PTA Balloon Catheter

built on the proven, first BTK dedicated,  
Amphirion DEEP™ balloon platform

eas come alive



#### FreePac™

Proprietary hydrophilic coating formulation:  

- separates Paclitaxel molecules
- balances hydrophilic and lipophilic properties
- facilitates Paclitaxel elution into the vessel wall

#### Local drug elution in seconds

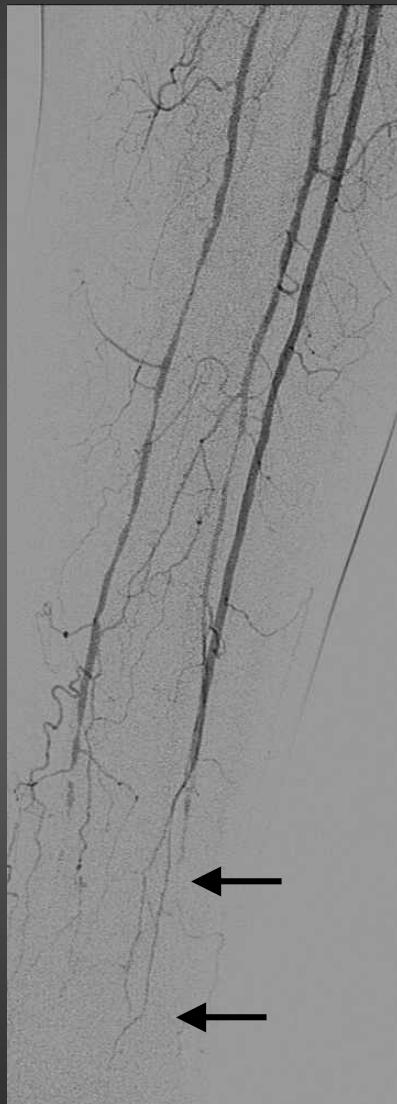
- FreePac reduces the total drug elution time to 30 – 60 seconds
  - Balloon inflation beyond 60 seconds can be maintained without additional drug release

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**INVATEC**  
Innovative Technologies

Worldwide first case performed  
LIVE @ LINC 2009

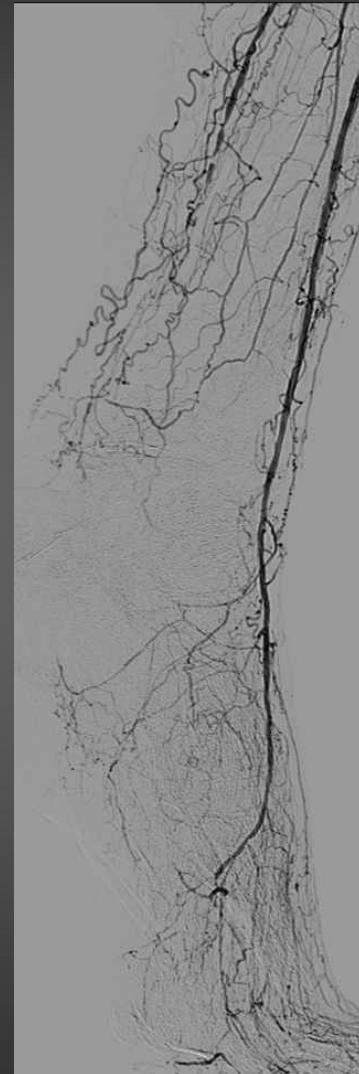
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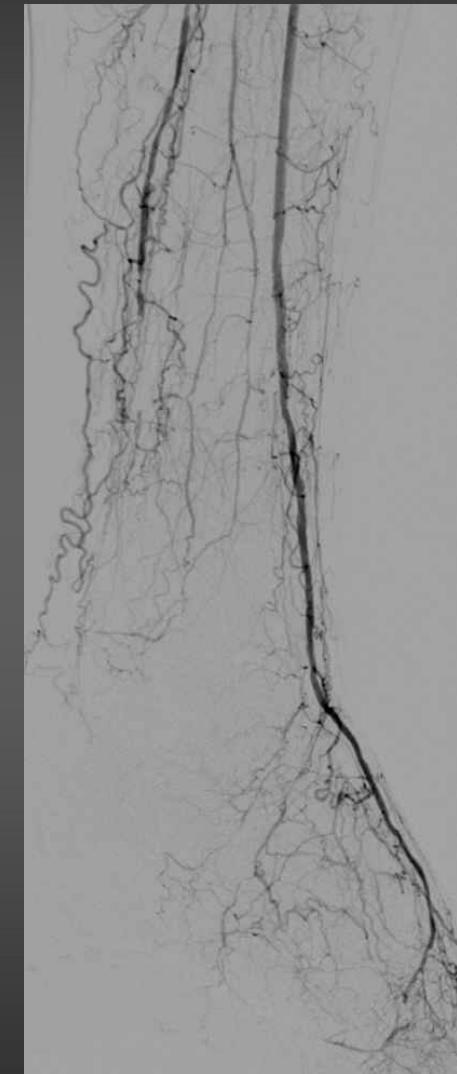
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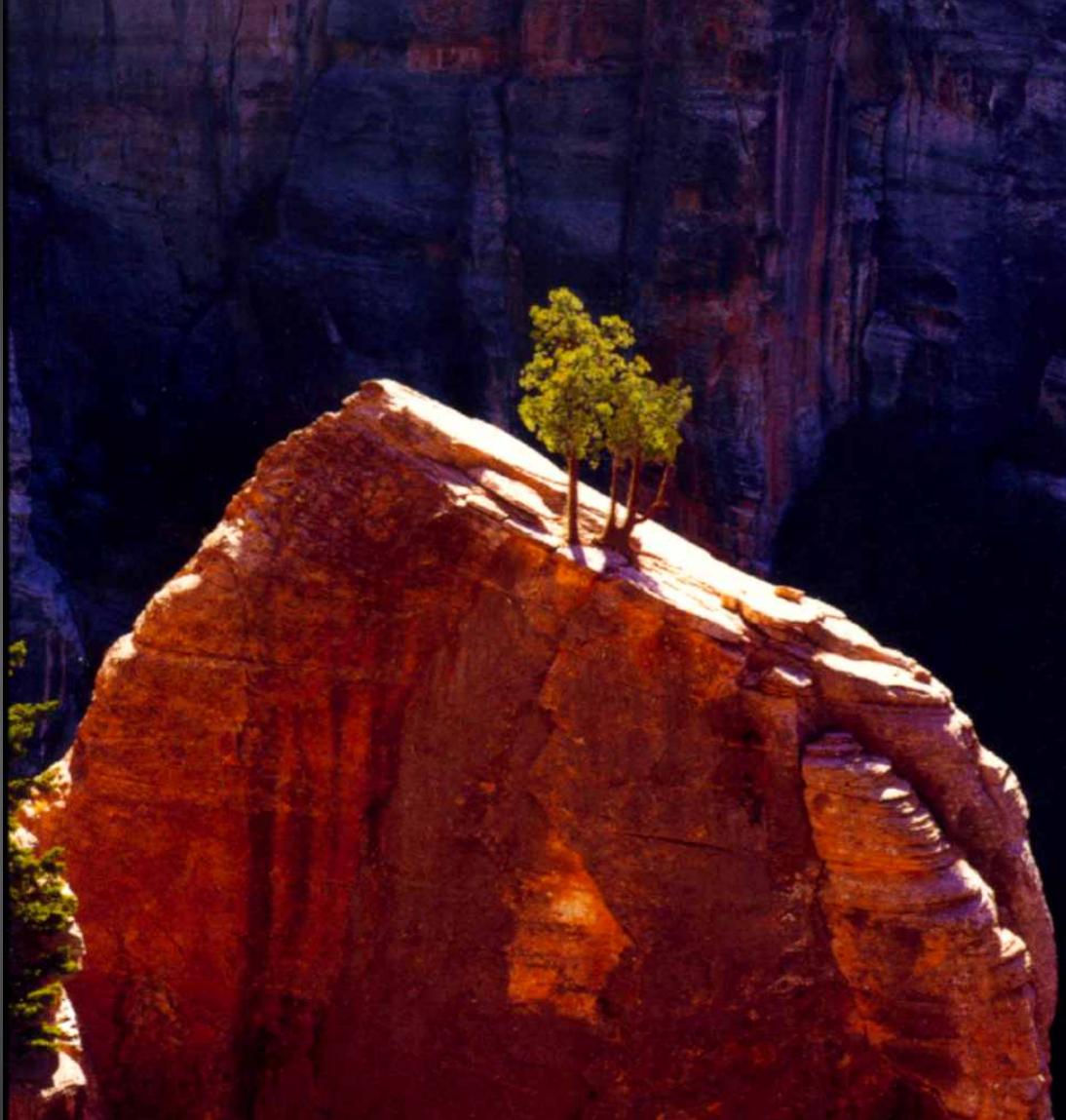


After 2.5/120mm In.PACT Deep



3 months – follow-up





**Unless you try to do something beyond what you  
have already mastered, you will never grow**