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# How Will Treatment Paradigms Change in a Drug-eluting World?



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**Treatment paradigms may  
change only through  
high-quality  
scientific evidence**



# Randomized Trials for Endovascular Treatment of Infrainguinal Arterial Disease: Systematic Review and Meta-analysis (Part 2: Below the Knee)

First author	Comparison	Patients, N	% FII/FIV or IC/CU	Lesions, N	Age (y), mean (SD) or median (range)	Males, N (%)	Smoking, N (%)	Diabetes, N (%)	Renal failure, N (%)	CAD, N (%)	Stroke, N (%)	Hyperlipidemia, N (%)	Hypertension, N (%)	Occlusions, N (%)	Stenosis in %, mean (SD)	Lesion length (mm), mean (SD)	Primary outcome	Industry sponsored
<b>DES vs PTA</b>																		
Scheinert 2012 <sup>25</sup>	Sirol-ES	200		FII-FIV 228	73 (9)	143 (72)	65 (33)	129 (65)	—	90 (45)	—	146 (73)	181 (91)	179 (79)	—	27 (21)	12 mo binary restenosis	Yes
Tepe 2010 <sup>24</sup>	Sirol-ES abdximab vs POBA abdximab	28		0/0/100 28	71 (—)	16 (57)	4 (14)	21 (75)	—	—	—	12 (43)	22 (79)	8 (29)	90 (—)	29 (21)	6 mo primary restenosis	Not reported
<b>DEB vs PTA</b>																		
Fanelli 2012 <sup>16</sup>	PTX-EB	—		FII-FIV 30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12 (40)	86 (5)	—	6 mo LLL	No
Lilstro 2013 <sup>17</sup>	PTX-EB	132 (143 limbs)		FIII-FIV 158	75 (10)	106 (80)	20 (15)	132 (100)	—	22 (17)	12 (9)	39 (30)	98 (74)	126 (80)	97 (8)	130 (81)	12 mo binary restenosis	No
<b>DES vs BS</b>																		
Rastan 2011 <sup>15</sup> /2012 <sup>18</sup>	Sirol-ES vs BMS	161		53/47 161	73 (9)	107 (66)	46 (29)	87 (54)	57 (35)	—	—	123 (76)	145 (90)	36 (22)	88 (9)	31 (9)	1 y primary patency rate	Yes
Falkowski 2009 <sup>20</sup>	Sirol-ES vs BMS	50		68/20/12 50	mean 69 (53-58)	29 (58)	22 (44)	20 (40)	—	21 (42)	7 (14)	18 (36)	31 (62)	—	—	18 (3)	6 mo restenosis	Not reported
Tepe 2010 <sup>24</sup>	Sirol-ES abdximab vs BMS abdximab	30		0/0/100 30	73 (—)	16 (53)	2 (7)	15 (50)	—	—	—	9 (30)	21 (70)	10 (33)	89 (—)	31 (21)	6 mo primary restenosis	Not reported
Bosiers 2012 <sup>21</sup>	Everol-ES vs BMS	140		0/45/55 154	76 (8)	89 (64)	45 (32)	77 (55)	44 (31)	—	—	53 (38)	96 (69)	25 (14)	—	17 (10)	1 y primary patency	Yes

Overall, completed randomized trials of drug-based technologies for BTK-revascularization have enrolled <1000 patients and have predominantly mechanistic primary endpoints

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- Next future

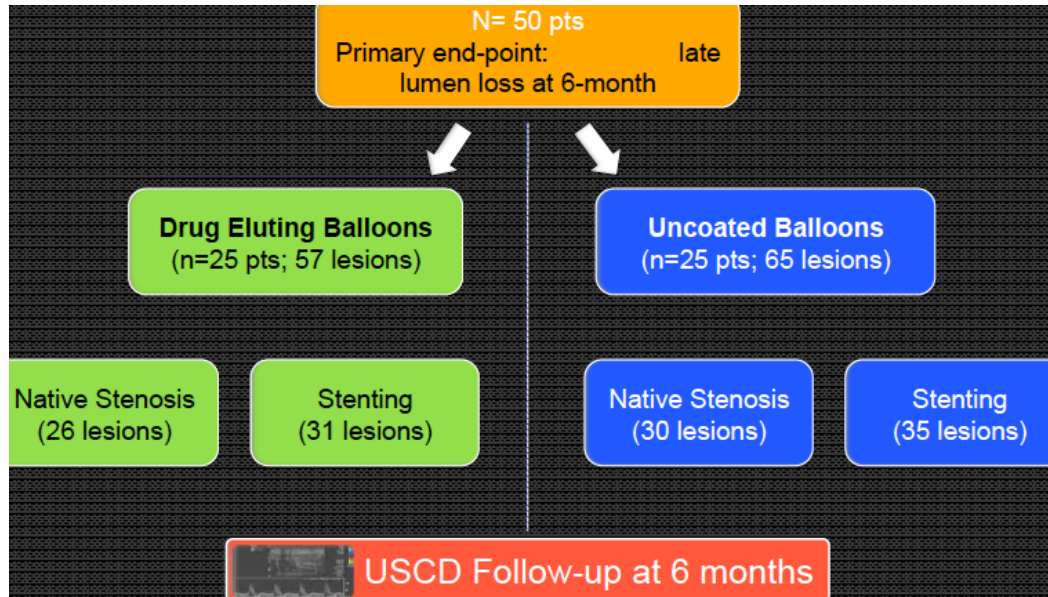


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# DEBELLUM

## Drug Eluting Balloon Evaluation for Lower Limb multilevel treatment



Overall Lesions	122
Femoro-Popliteal Lesions	92 (76%)
<b>BTK Lesions</b>	<b>30 (24%)</b>
Mean lesion Length (cm)	7.5 ± 3.5
Lesion 7-15 cm	63 (51%)
Lesion < 7 cm	38 (27%)
Lesion > 15 cm	21 (22%)
% Stenosis Diameter	85 ± 6.4
Total Occlusion	26 (22%)

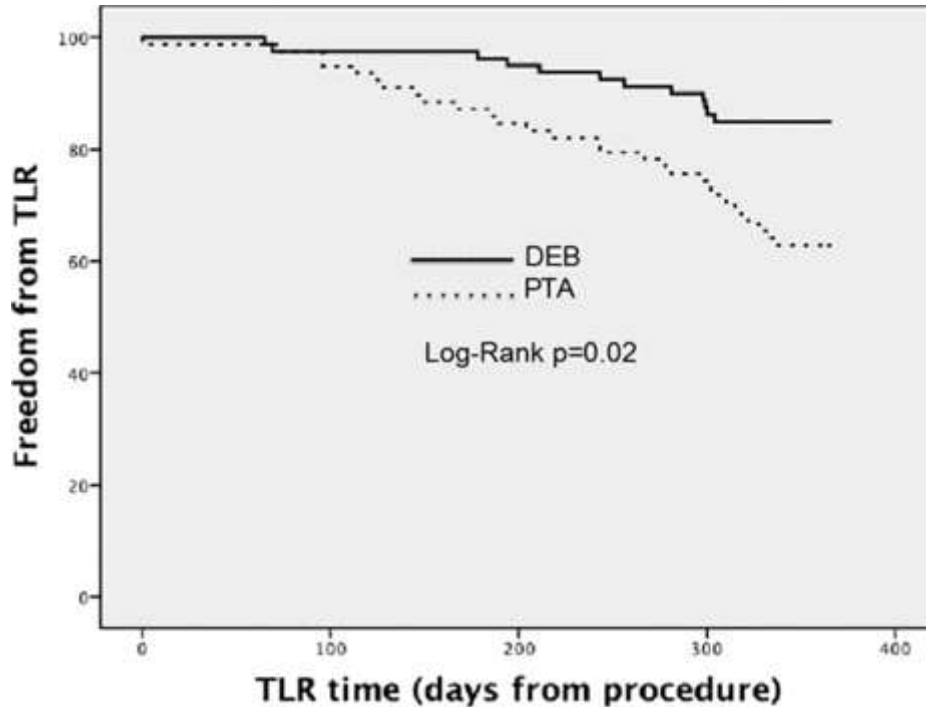
### Late Lumen Loss at 6-month

Overall analysis: 0.5±1.4 mm (DEB) vs 1.6±1.7 mm (PTA)  $p<0.01$

The rate of TLR at 6 months is 9/25 (36%) in the PTA group, 2/25 (8%) in the DEB group ( $P<0.001$ )

# Drug-Eluting Balloon in Peripheral Intervention for Below the Knee Angioplasty Evaluation (DEBATE-BTK)

## A Randomized Trial in Diabetic Patients With Critical Limb Ischemia



***“Patients (n= 132) were enrolled in the study only after successful wiring of the target vessel and therefore the rate of major amputation observed cannot be compared with that derived from studies designed on an intention-to-treat basis”***

**Table 3. Clinical and Angiographic Outcome at 12 Months**

	DEB	PTA	P Value
Death, n (%)	5 (7.7)	3 (4.5)	0.4
Major amputation, n (%)	0 (0.0)	1 (1.5)	0.9
CVA, n (%)	2 (3.1)	3 (4.3)	0.9
AMI, n (%)	3 (4.6)	3 (4.5)	0.9
MAEs, n (%)	20 (31)	34 (51)	0.05
Limbs available for 12-mo follow-up, n	66	67	
ABI	0.78±0.22	0.47±0.28	<0.001
Mean Rutherford class category, n (%)	0.90±1.8	2.0±2.3	0.004
0–3	57 (86.3)	44 (65.7)	0.06
4	0 (0)	2 (3)	
5	8 (12.2)	19 (28.3)	
6	1 (1.5)	2 (3)	
Complete index ulcer healing, n (%)*	56/65 (86)	43/64 (67)	0.01
Time to index ulcer healing, mo*	4.4±1.5	5.2±1.6	0.01
Lesions available for 12-mo follow-up	74	74	
Binary restenosis (>50%), n (%)†	20 (27.0)	55 (74.3)	<0.001
Vessel occlusion, n (%)†	13 (17.6)	41 (55.4)	<0.001
Occlusion length, mm†	87±88	128±75	<0.001

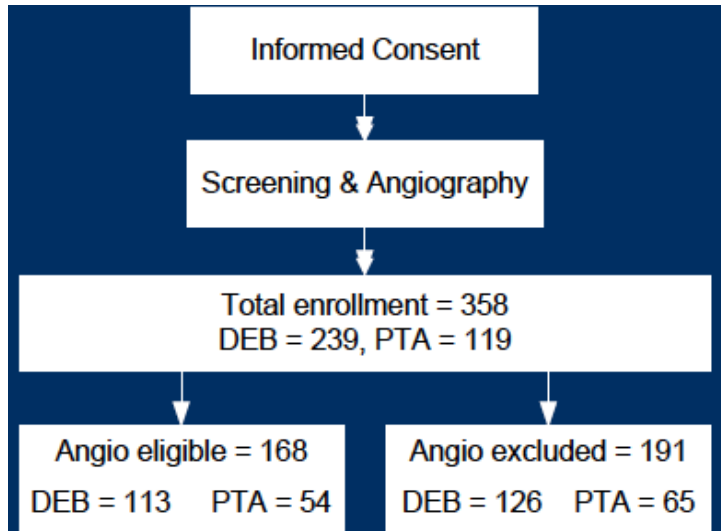
Values are mean±SD when appropriate. ABI indicates ankle-brachial index; AMI, acute myocardial infarction, CVA, cerebrovascular accident; DEB, drug-eluting balloon; MAE, major adverse event; and PTA, percutaneous transluminal angioplasty.



# IN.PACT DEEP

## Randomized Trial of IN.PACT Amphirion DEB vs. PTA for Infrapopliteal Revascularization in Critical Limb Ischemia

**Objective:** Evaluate the safety and efficacy of IN.PACT Amphirion DEB vs. standard PTA for infrapopliteal revascularization in patients with CLI



Primary Efficacy	DEB	PTA	p
12-month LLL (mm) <sup>[1]</sup>	0.61 ± 0.78	0.62 ± 0.78	0.950
12-month CD-TLR <sup>[2]</sup>	9.2% (18/196)	13.1% (14/107)	0.291

Primary Safety	DEB	PTA	p
6-month Death, Major Amputation or CD TLR	17.7% (41/232)	15.8% (18/114)	0.021 (non-inferiority) 0.662 (superiority)

1. Angio Cohort, Corelab adjudicated. Angiographic Imaging 12-month FU compliance = 70.9% (DEB) vs. 71.4% (PTA)  
2. Clinically driven TLR of the target lesion in the (major) amputation free surviving subjects at 12 months. "Clinically driven TLR" defined as any TLR of the target lesion associated with: a) deterioration of RC and / or b) increase in size of pre-existing wounds and / or c) occurrence of a new wound(s), with b) and c) adjudicated by the Wound Healing Core lab

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Study Outcome	ITT	Multivariate
Primary Safety	RR 1.12 → PTA p = 0.662	HR 1.15 → PTA p = 0.617
Death (all cause)	RR 1.25 → PTA p = 0.551	HR 1.28 → PTA p = 0.539
Death or Major Amputation	RR 1.40 → PTA p = 0.064	HR 1.81 → PTA p = 0.073
Major Amputation	RR 2.44 → PTA p = 0.080	HR 2.36 → PTA p = 0.119

Randomization status forced into stepwise regression model  
Values in orange are safety trends (0.05 < p < 0.20)  
RR – relative risk, HR – hazard ratio

IN.PACT DEEP did not meet either 1<sup>o</sup> efficacy endpoint

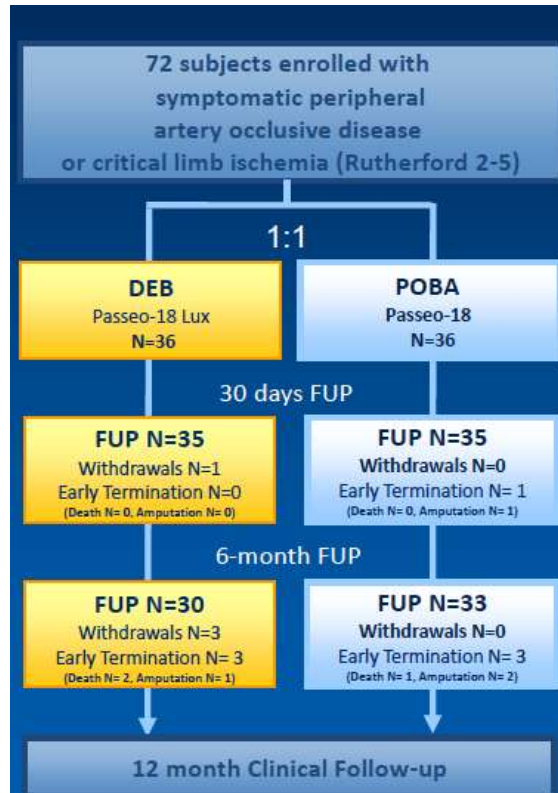
- PTA outcomes were significantly better than expected

IN.PACT DEEP Trial met the non-inferiority primary safety endpoint

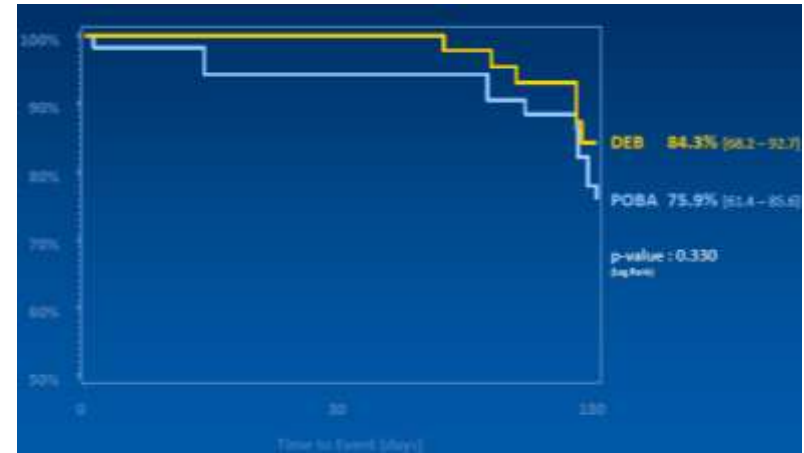
- The safety signal towards major amputations, in conjunction with the absence of significant efficacy, led to market withdrawal

# BIOLUX P-II

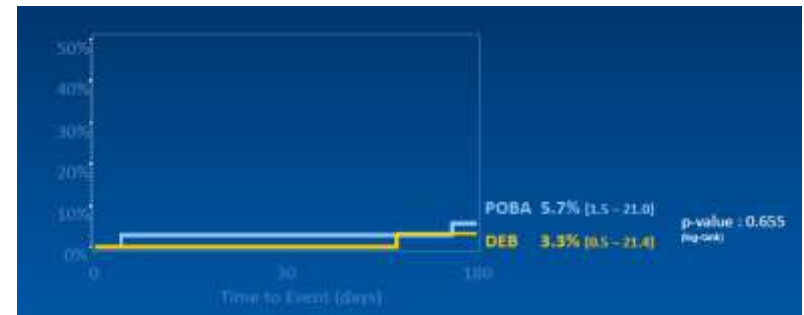
## A randomized clinical trial of DEB vs. PTA for infrapopliteal disease



Probability of TLR (%)



Probability of major amputation (%)



At 6 months angiographic follow-up, Passeo-18 Lux DRB demonstrated a target lesion primary patency of **84.3%** vs. 75.9% compared to the control PTA balloon (p=0.330).

At 6 months, **59%** of patients improved in Rutherford Classification in the DEB group vs. 47% in the control group. No patients worsened in the DEB group, vs. 6% in the POBA group.

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# Drug-Eluting Stents for Revascularization of Infrapopliteal Arteries

## Updated Meta-Analysis of Randomized Trials

**Table 2. Main Characteristics of Patients Enrolled Among Trials Included in the Study**

Trial/First Author (Ref. #)	No. of Patients	Age, yrs	Males, %	Diabetes, %	CLI, %	Occlusion %	Lesion length, mm	Vessel Diameter, mm	DAPT, mo	Longest FU, months
ACHILLES (7)	200	73.4	71	65	N/A	78.3	26.9	2.60	6	12
BELOW (25)	60	72.4	64	68	100	32.6	27.0	2.90	2	36
DESTINY (8)	140	75.5	64	55	100	16.0	15.9	3.00	12	12
Falkowski et al. (24)	50	69.4	58	66	32	N/A	17.8	2.69	6	6
YUKON-BTK (6)	161	72.9	67	54	47	22.4	30.0	3.00	6	50

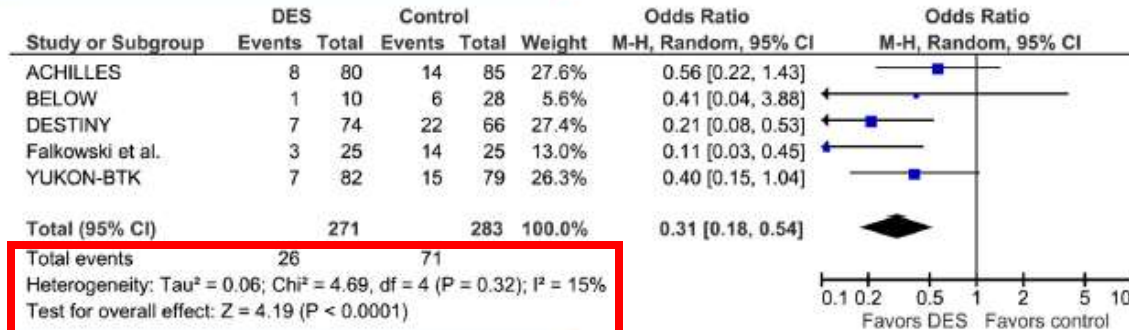
Overall mean values are reported.  
Trial acronyms as in Table 1.

**611** patients from **5** trials randomly assigned to DESs (n= 294) versus control therapy (plain balloon angioplasty/BMS implantation, n= 307)

Median lesion length was **26.8** mm with a RVD of **2.86** mm

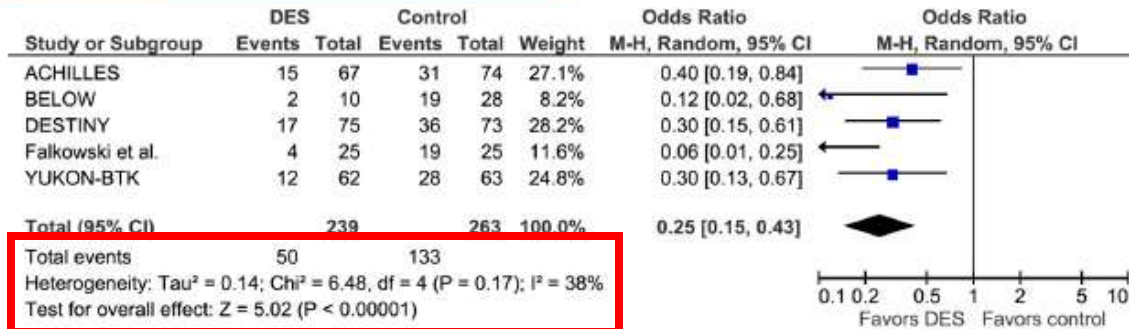
Median follow-up **12** months

## A Target lesion revascularization



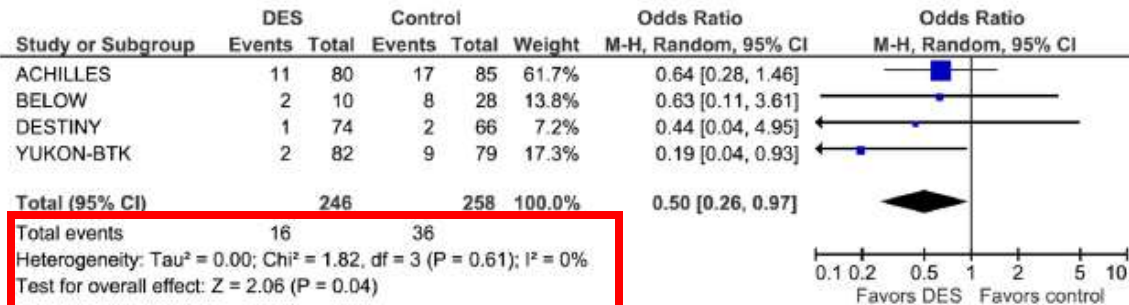
**ARR 15.5%**  
**NNT 7**

## B Restenosis



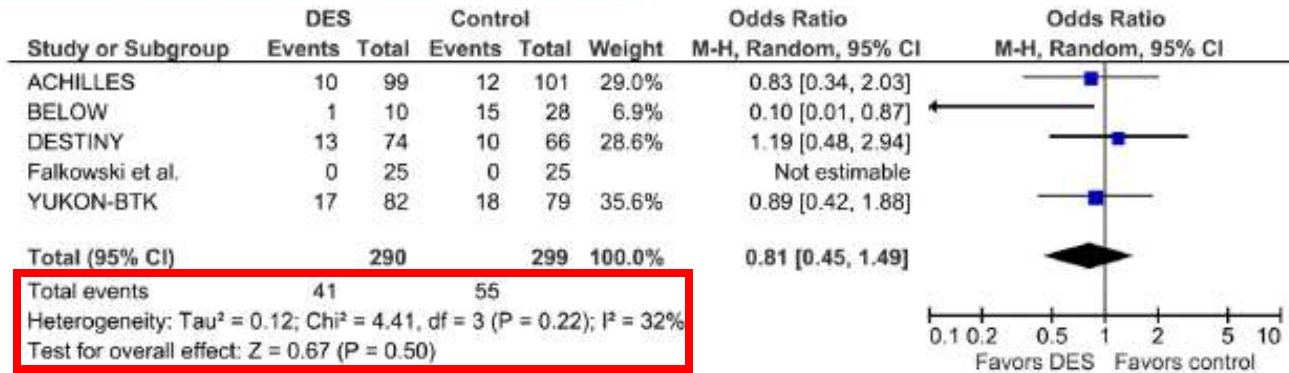
**ARR 29.6%**  
**NNT 4**

## C Amputation

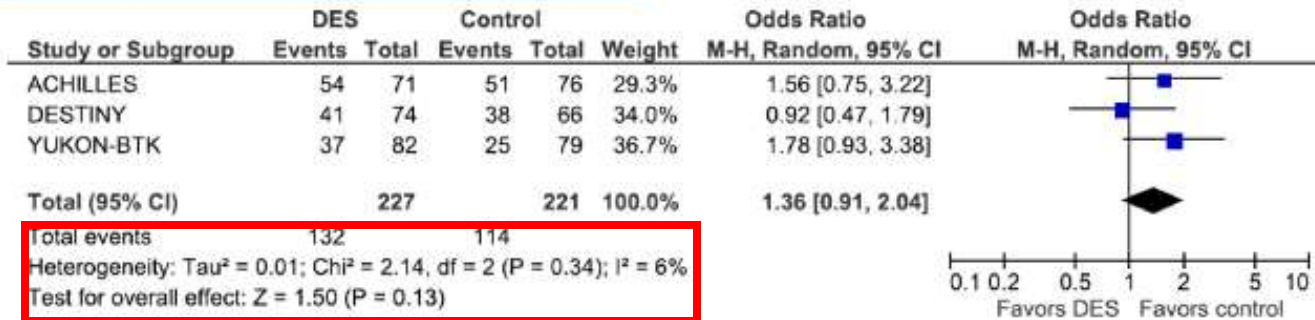


**ARR 7.5%**  
**NNT 13**

## D Death

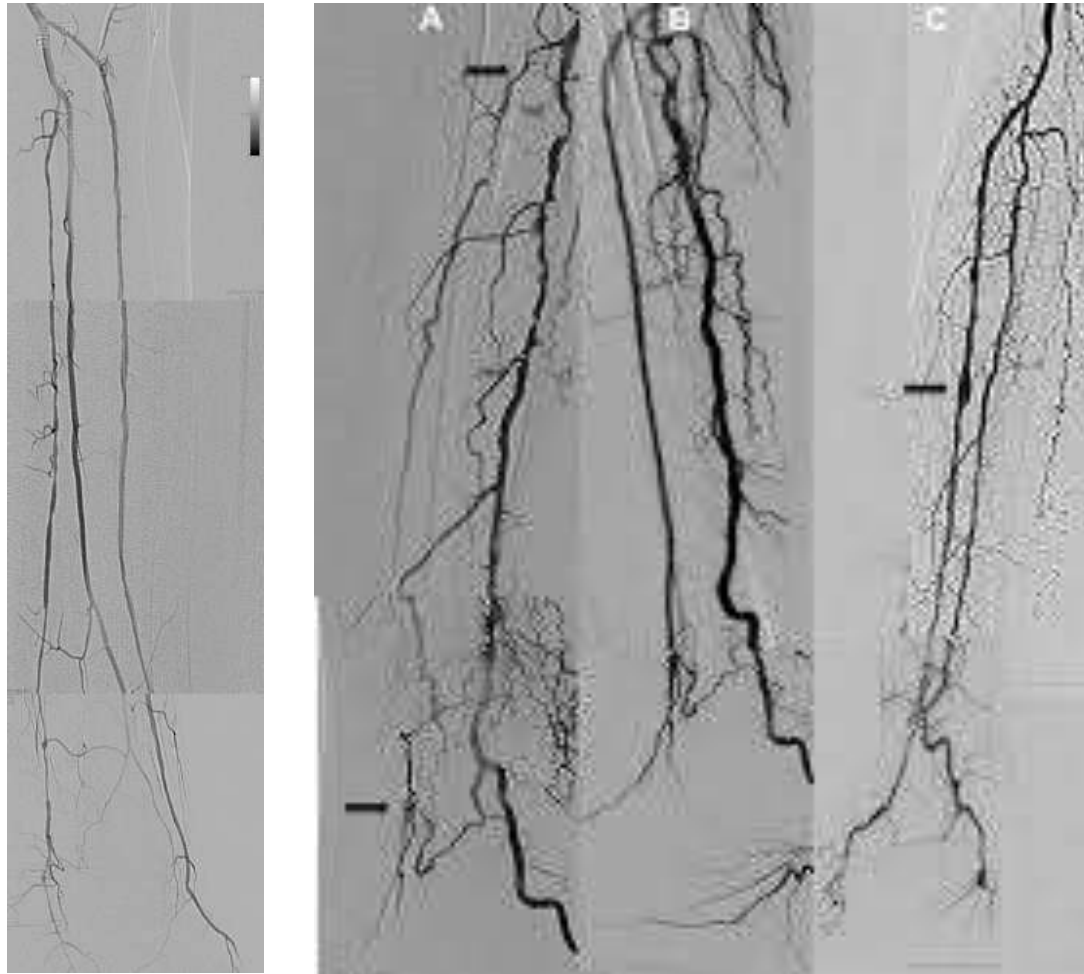


## E Rutherford class improvement



***“On adjusted indirect comparison, the everolimus- versus sirolimus-eluting stents, as well as the polymer-free versus durable-polymer DESs did not affect the risk estimates for the main outcomes”***

# What's about coronary-DES in the daily BTK-practice?





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- Do not translate interventional concepts from coronary into BTK-vascular field
- Relevant clinically-driven and patient-oriented rather than marketing-pushed endpoints
- Comparisons between different devices to rule-out a supposed “class effect” in terms of benefit or harm

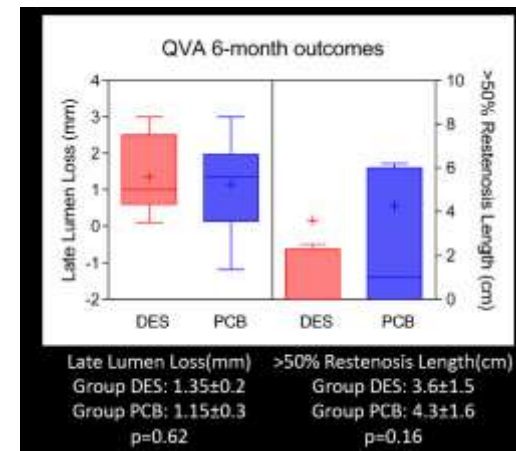


# The IDEAS study

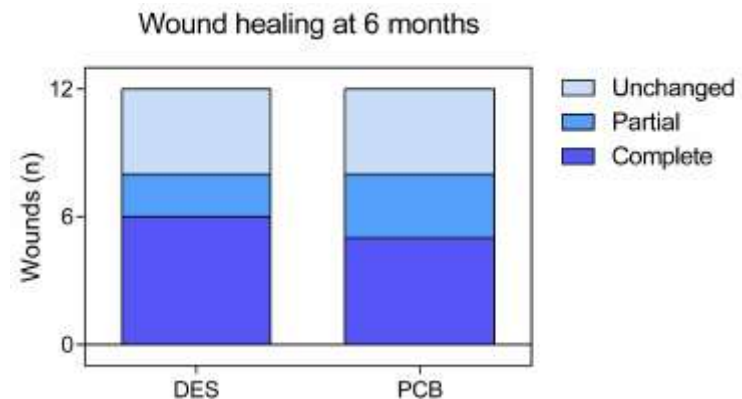
## PCB vs. DES

### for the long infrapopliteal lesions

	Group DES	Group PCB	p
# patients	25	25	
Men/Total	20/25	18/25	0.25
Age	75.27	67.58	0.03
Diabetes	19/25 (76%)	16/25 (64%)	0.17
C.K.D.	11/25 (44%)	8/25 (32%)	0.19



	DES	PCB	p
Binary Restenosis (>50%)	7/25	11/19	0.0457
Vessel Occlusion	5/25	3/19	1.00
Positive Remodeling	0/25	3/19	0.07
Immediate Residual Stenosis (%)	9.6±2.2	24.8±3.5	<0.0001



# Conclusions

**Drug-based technologies** represent a revolution in the field of revascularization of **peripheral artery disease involving BTK-segments**

The **safety and the biological efficacy** of new technologies are prerequisite to further investigate their clinical superiority in comparison with established treatment options

**Small-population trials should test how** to plan subsequent trials with strong clinical endpoints beyond amputation, quality of life and wound healing

**Small single-center trials should not influence standard practice**





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