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# The REDUCE-FMR Trial

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# Disclosures

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# The Carillon Mitral Contour System – Indirect (Coronary Sinus) Annuloplasty

Distal Anchor  
(in great cardiac vein)



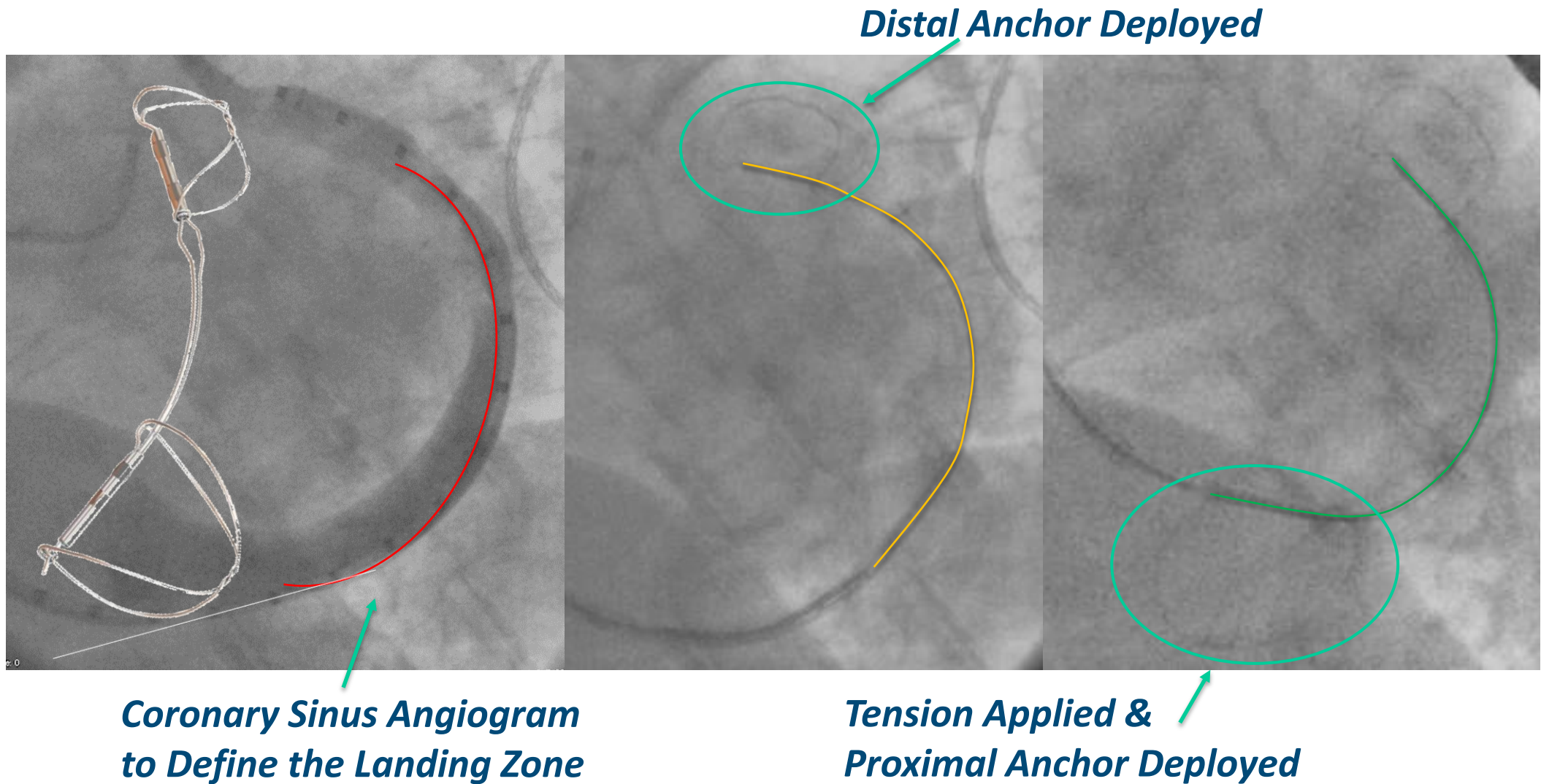
Proximal Anchor  
(in coronary sinus)

Anchor sizes are individually selected for each patient

## Trans-jugular Delivery System

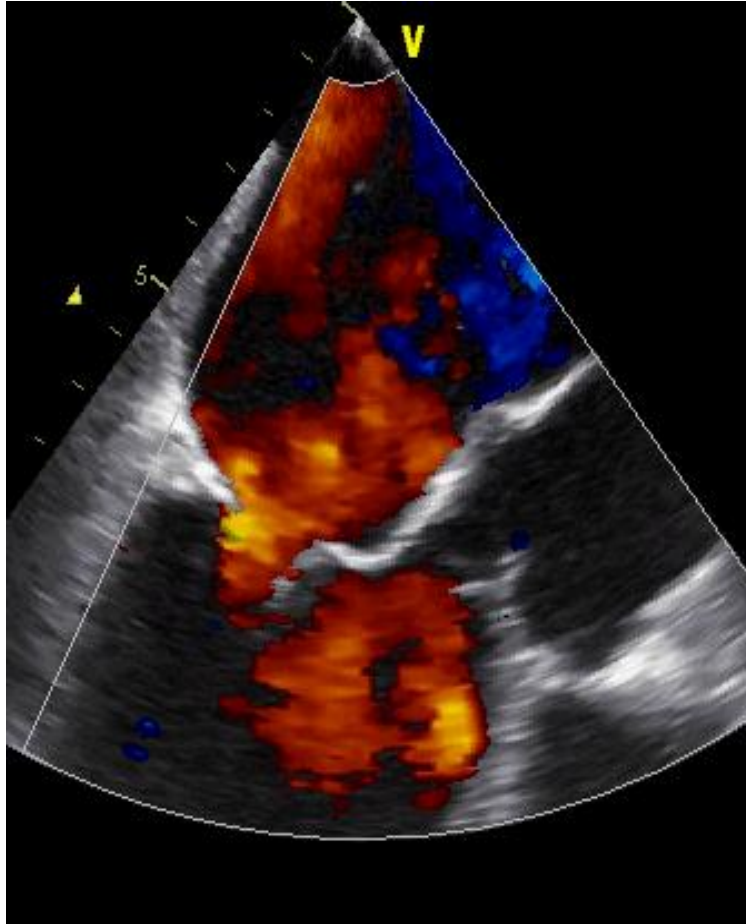


# Carillon Device Deployment and Cinching

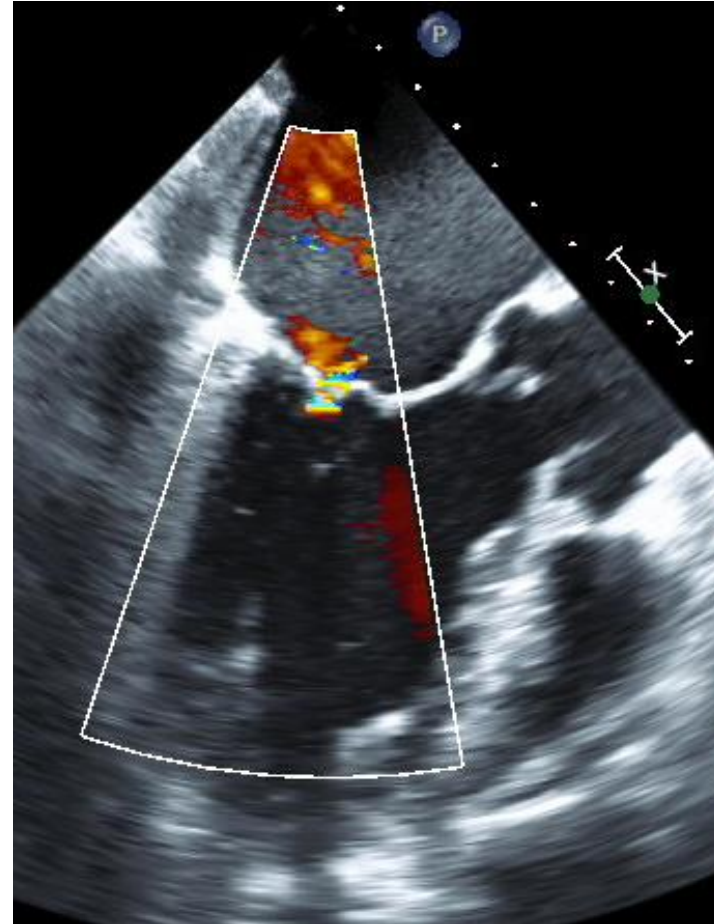


# Carillon

before



after 1 month



# Advantages

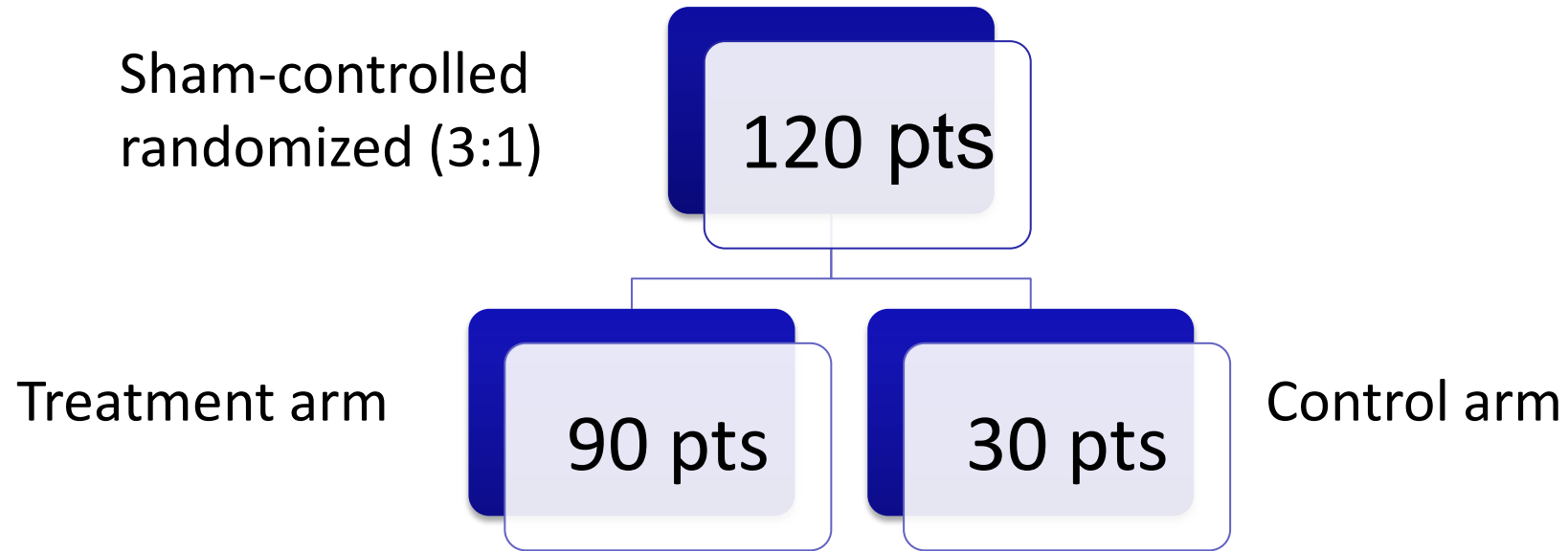
- Less invasive than other mitral valve repair techniques
- Easier to perform
- Valve leaflets are not touched
- Leaves all other options open

# REDUCE FMR – Background and Objective

- Previous small studies with the Carillon device (AMADEUS<sup>1</sup>, TITAN<sup>2</sup>, and TITAN II<sup>3</sup>) have shown evidence of reduced mitral regurgitation (MR) and left ventricle (LV) remodeling
- The objective of REDUCE FMR was to demonstrate - in a **sham-controlled** randomized study - a decrease in **quantitative MR** with the Carillon device in heart failure patients with FMR

# REDUCE FMR – Intended Randomization and Primary Endpoint

120 patients at 31 sites in Europe and Australia, and New Zealand



Primary endpoint (ITT):  
change in regurgitant volume (RV)  
assessed by a blinded echo core lab at 1-year



# REDUCE FMR – Investigator Sites

(Top enrollers in **bold**)

## Australia

- **Monash Health- R. Gooley and I. Meredith**
- The Alfred Hospital- S. Duffy and D. Kaye
- Royal North Shore Hospital- R. Bhindi
- Royal Prince Alfred Hospital- M. Adams
- Flinders Medical Centre- C. De Pasquale
- The Prince Charles Hospital- C. Raffel and D. Walters

## Czech Republic

- University Hospital Olomouc- M. Táborský
- Na Homolce Hospital- P. Neužil
- Institute for Clinical and Experimental Medicine (IKEM)- J. Kautzner

## France

- **Clinique du Millénaire- C. Piot**
- **Pole Santé République- J. Lipiecki**
- Hospital Georges Pompidou- C. Spaulding
- Hospital Charles Nicolle- E. Durand
- Clinique Saint Hilaire- J. Berland
- Rangueil University Teaching Hospital- D. Carrie
- Hopital Prive Saint Martin- J. Morelle

## Germany

- CardioVascular Center Frankfurt- H. Sievert
- Sana Kliniken Lübeck- J. Weil
- Hospital Frankfurt Höchst- H. Hink
- Klinikum Lüdensheid- B. Lemke
- University Hospital Freiburg- J. Reinhöl
- Charité Universitätmedizin Berlin- U. Landmesser
- Augusta Kranken Anstalt gGmbH Bochum- M. Prull
- Elisabeth Krankenhaus Recklinghausen- T. Lawo
- Universitätsklinikum Frankfurt- S. Fichtlscherer

## Netherlands

- University Hospital Maastricht- J. Vainer

## New Zealand

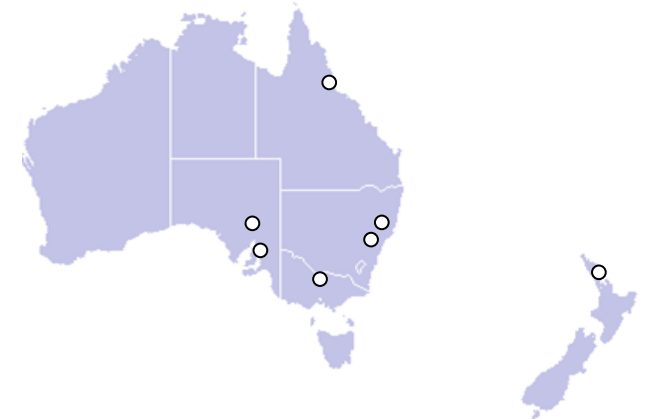
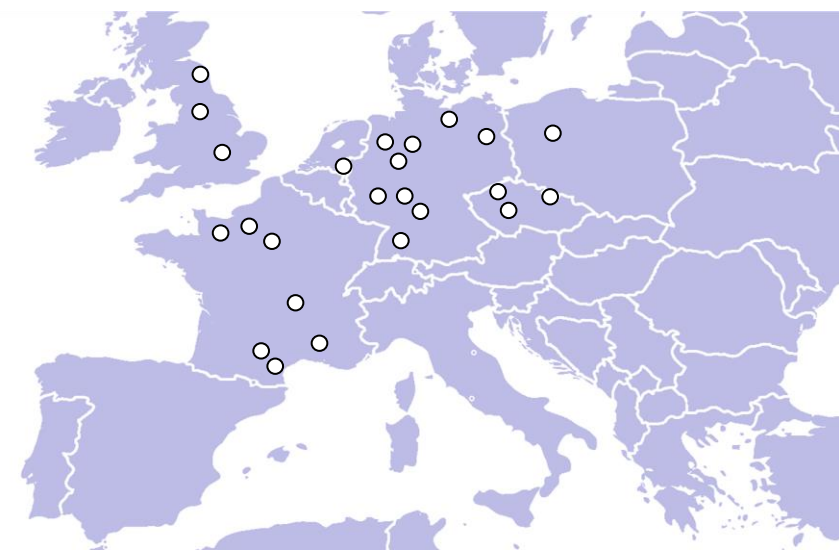
- Auckland City Hospital- P. Ruygrok

## Poland

- **HCP Medical Center- T. Siminiak**

## United Kingdom

- **Leeds Teaching Hospital NHS Trusts- C. Malkin and K Witte**
- Harefield Hospital- M. Mason
- Freeman Hospital- M. Egred



# REDUCE FMR – an innovative trial in many respects

- Inclusion of patients with lesser degrees of MR (2+)
  - It may be better to intervene earlier
  - But it makes it more difficult to prove a treatment effect
- Use of quantitative echo parameters as primary endpoint
  - Recommended by echo societies and guidelines, but it has never been used as a primary endpoint in a device study
  - Difficult to achieve enough high quality echos
- The only blinded, sham-controlled randomized device trial in valve therapy
  - Everybody was blinded except operator and cath lab staff
  - Echo core lab blinded to patient randomization **and timing** of echoes
- Many sites were inexperienced – they just started their program
  - Tests the simplicity of the therapy and reproducibility in many operators hands

# REDUCE FMR – Study Administration

## Imaging Core Lab

C5 Research  
Cleveland Clinic Foundation  
Cleveland, Ohio

## Data Safety Monitoring Board

Prof. Martin Cowie  
Prof. Emmanuel Lagarde  
Prof. Keith Oldroyd

## Clinical Events Committee

Prof. Andreas Baumbach  
Dr. Robert Byrne  
Dr. John Parissis

Imaging Training and Standards: Sonographer-focused technical training on echo quality and protocol requirements. Assessment of patient inclusion criteria was done site based

Site Training: Interventionists trained on device and protocol. Proctors were on-site for case support

Core Lab Image Read Standards: After initial quality review by core lab, the echo images were read in consensus format for MR grade and over-read for quantitative measures

100% Source Data Monitoring: All data monitored by independent CROs

# REDUCE FMR – Endpoints

## Primary Endpoint (Efficacy)

Change in regurgitant volume (RV) at 1-year assessed by the blinded echo core lab (ITT analysis)

## Secondary Endpoints

### Efficacy

Heart Failure Hospitalizations at 1-year

Change in regurgitant volume (RV) at 1-year (AT and PP analyses)

Change in LVEDV and LVESV (baseline to 1-year)

### Safety

Major Adverse Events at 1-month and 1-year, defined as: death, MI, device embolization, vessel perforation requiring intervention, PCI or surgery associated with device failure

# Key Selection Criteria

## Inclusion

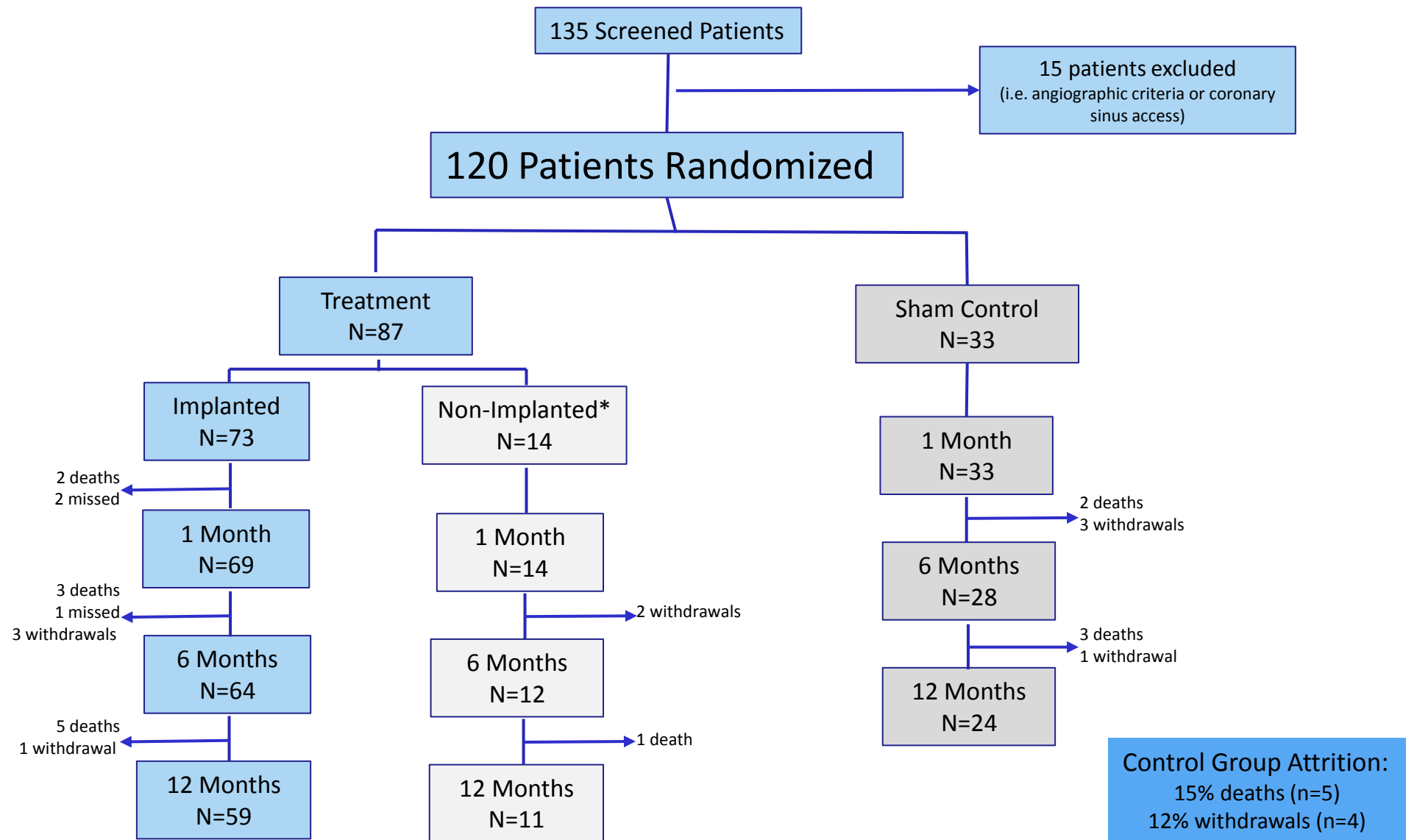
- **Dilated cardiomyopathy** (ischemic or non-ischemic)
- Functional mitral regurgitation moderate to severe defined as: **2+, 3+ or 4+**
- **NYHA II, III, or IV**
- LVEF  $\leq$  50%
  - 40-50% LVEF must be MR3+/4+ AND NYHA III/IV
- LVEDD  $>$  55mm, or LVEDD/BSA  $>$  3.0 cm/m<sup>2</sup>
- **Stable heart failure medication** for at least 3-months

## Exclusion

- Hospitalization in past 3-months due to MI, CABG, or unstable angina
- Hospitalization in past 30 days for coronary angioplasty or stent placement
- Expected to require any cardiac surgery within 1- year
- **Presence of coronary artery stent** under the CS/GCV, **in the implant target zone**
- Severe mitral annular calcification
- **Significant organic mitral valve pathology**

# REDUCE FMR

## Consort Diagram



14 non-implanted patients counted towards the treatment group  
A higher drop out rate was seen in the control arm

# REDUCE FMR – Clinical Baseline Demographics (ITT)

	Treatment (N=87)	Control (N=33)	P Value
Age, yr	70.1 ± 9.7	69.1 ± 8.9	0.59
Male	72.4% (63/87)	72.7% (24/33)	0.97
BMI	26.7 ± 5.3	28.1 ± 6.2	0.22
Etiology – Ischemic	67.8% (59/87)	63.6% (21/33)	0.67
Prior MI	49.4% (43/87)	51.5% (17/33)	0.84
NYHA Class			0.92
II	44.8% (39/87)	48.5% (16/33)	
III	52.9% (46/87)	51.5% (17/33)	
IV	2.3% (2/87)	0.0% (0/33)	
Median NT-BNP (IRQ) -ng/l	2505 (1085-4432)	2410 (1079-5283)	0.33
Atrial Fibrillation	58.6% (51/87)	60.6% (20/33)	>0.99
Prior HFH in last year	44.8% (39/87)	45.5% (15/33)	>0.99

- Most patients were NYHA III
- Almost half of the patients were NYHA II – less sick than in most other heart failure trials

# REDUCE FMR – Echo Baseline Demographics (ITT)

	Treatment (N=87)	Control (N=33)	P Value
LVEF (%)	33.5 ± 8.9	37.1 ± 8.7	0.09
LVEDD (cm)	6.4 ± 0.9	6.4 ± 0.9	0.92
EROA (- m <sup>2</sup> )	25 ± 15	24 ± 14	0.56
Regurgitant Volume (ml)	39.4 ± 23.5	39.3 ± 23.7	>0.99
MR Grade			0.54
1	28.7% (25/87)	32.3% (10/31)	
2	39.1% (34/87)	25.8% (8/31)	
3	26.4% (23/87)	35.5% (11/31)	
4	5.7% (5/87)	6.5% (2/31)	

- MR was less severe than planned: baseline RV was 39 ml, 30% had MR 1+
- Less sick patient population than in most other heart failure trials

	Treatment	Control
COAPT EROA (mm <sup>2</sup> )	41	40
MitraFR EROA (mm <sup>2</sup> )	31	31



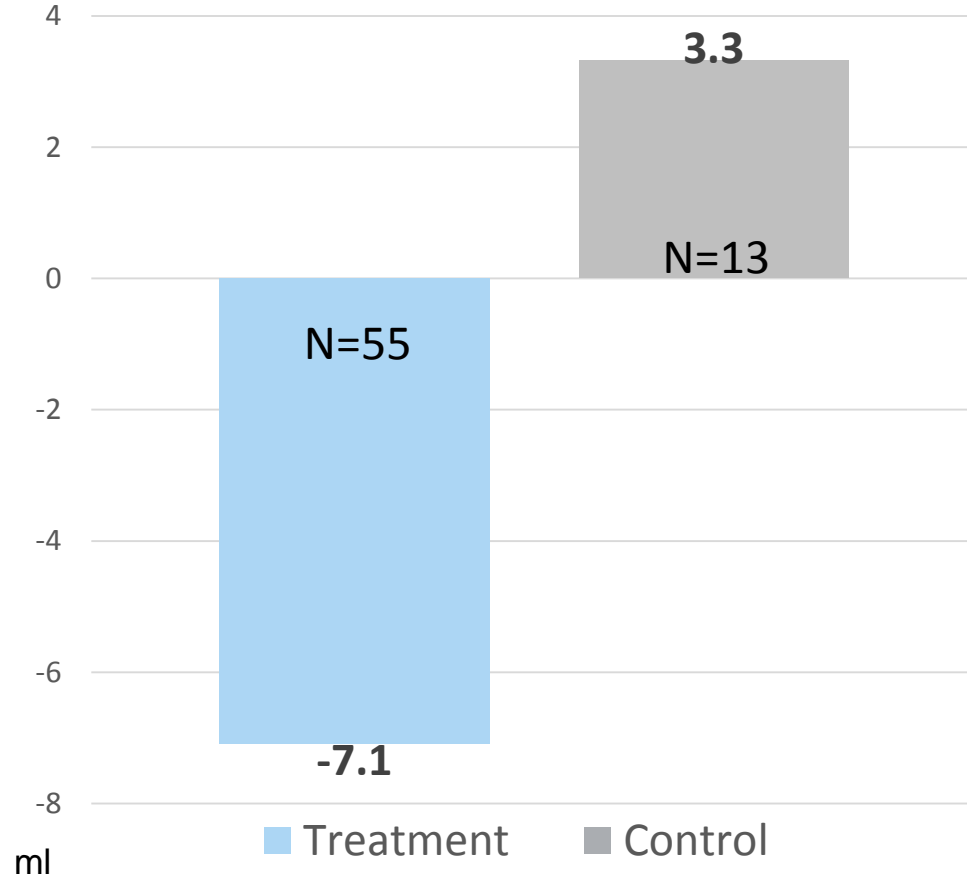
# REDUCE FMR – Safety (MAE) at 1-Year (ITT)

	Treatment (N=87)			Control (N=33)	
	30 Days		1-Year	30 Days	1 Year
	Device Related	Procedure Related			
Death	0% (0)	2.3% (2)*	12.6% (11)	0% (0)	15.2% (5)
MI	1.1% (1)	3.5% (3)*	3.5% (3)	0% (0)	3.0% (1)
Cardiac Perforation**	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)
Device Embolism	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	n/a	n/a
Surgery or PCI related to device	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)	n/a	n/a
<b>Cumulative MAE Rate</b>	<b>16.1% (14)</b>			<b>18.2% (6)</b>	

- \* One death and two procedural MIs adjudicated as “possibly” related to device, however definitive relationship could not be established
- \*\* Of a cardiac structure (heart, artery and/or vein) leading to hemopericardium and requiring percutaneous or surgical intervention

# REDUCE FMR – Primary Endpoint

## Change in Regurgitant Volume (RV) at 1-year (ITT)



Mean RV Change – Paired data (ml)

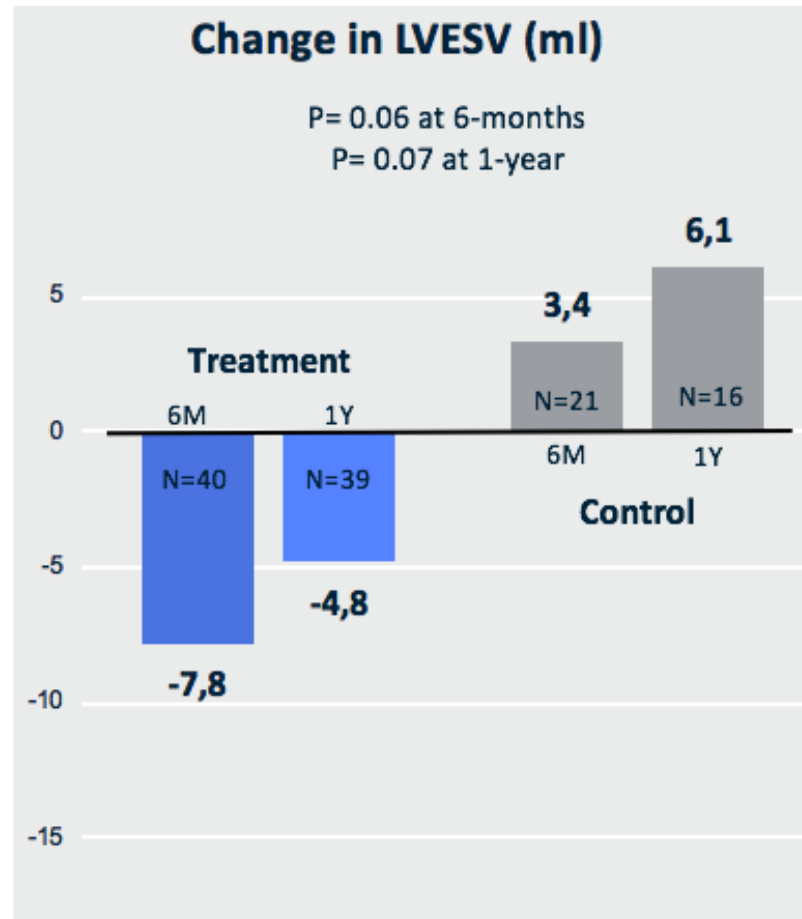
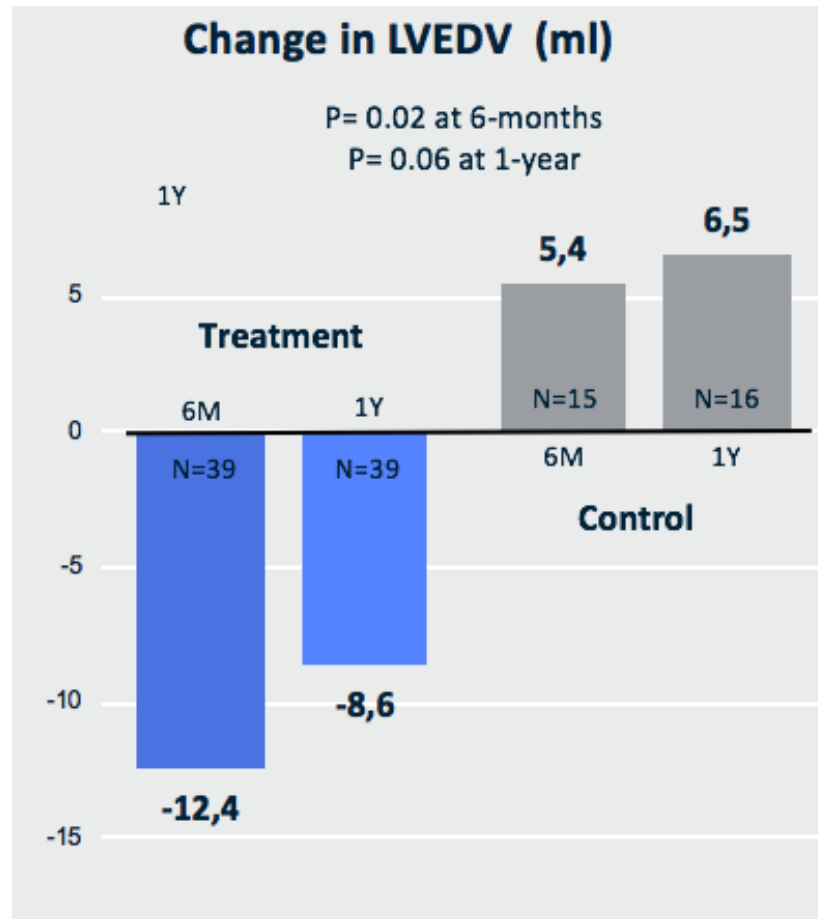
- 22% reduction in treatment group
- 8% increase in control group
- Absolute difference 10.4 ml

**P = 0.03**

**Primary Endpoint Met**

# REDUCE FMR – Secondary Endpoint Analysis

## Change in LVEDV and LVESV 1-Year (AT – As Treated)



- Secondary endpoints included change in LVEDV and LVESV at 1-year
- A volume reduction at 6-months and 12-months was observed in the treatment group
- The control group showed increased volumes at 6-months with further increased volumes at 1-year

# Study Limitations

- The trial was not powered for clinical endpoints (e.g. death, QoL and 6MWD)
- The frequency of MR 1+ (30%) was unintended and made it more difficult to show a treatment effect
  - Despite this the trial was positive
- Echo follow-up of quantitative MR proved to be difficult
  - Despite this the trial was positive
- 14 patients did not receive the device but counted towards the treatment group (ITT analysis)
  - Despite this the trial was positive

# MV Repair Trials: Echo Parameters and Outcomes

- EROA was 0.4 in COAPT, 0.31 in MITRA FR and 0.25 in REDUCE FMR
- LVEDV Index was 136 in MITRA FR and 100 in COAPT and REDUCE FMR
- All cause mortality at 30 days was similar amongst trials and treatment groups
- REDUCE FMR and COAPT showed similar improvement in Death/HFH at 12 months
- REDUCE FMR and COAPT demonstrated positive remodeling

	REDUCE FMR <sup>1</sup>		COAPT <sup>2</sup>		MITRA.fr <sup>3</sup>	
	Treatment (N=73)	Control (N=33)	Treatment (N=302)	Control (N=312)	Treatment (N=152)	Control (N=152)
<b>Echo Parameters</b>						
EROA ,cm <sup>2</sup>	0.25	0.24	0.41	0.40	0.31	0.31
LVESV, ml	132	122	136	134		
LVEDV, ml	192	189	194	191		
LVEDV Index, ml/m <sup>2</sup>	100	100	101		136	135
LVEF	33.5%	37.1%	31.3%	31.3%	33.3%	32.9%
<b>30 Day Outcomes</b>						
Death all cause	2.3%	0	2.3%	1.0%	3.3%	2.6%
<b>12 Month Outcomes</b>						
Death	12.6%	15.2%	~19%**	~22%**	24.3%	22.4%
HFH*	27.4%	39.3%	~24%**	~40%**	48.7%	47.4%
Death or HFH*	31.5%	42.4%	33.9%	46.5%	54.6%	51.3%
NYHA I & II	69.5%	58.3%	72.2%	49.6%	~68%	~70%
LVEDV Change from BL (ml)	-8.6	6.5	-1.1	18.6	-2	7

\* COAPT HFH includes study exit for LVAD or Heart Transplant. Modified to include REDUCE FMR study exits for Mitra Clip, Heart Transplant / surgery or LVAD

\*\* KM estimate extrapolated

1. Sievert et al, TCT 2018, September 21-25, San Diego, CA
2. Stone et al. NEJM 2018 DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa1806640; G. Stone TCT 2018, September 21-25, San Diego, USA
3. Obadia et al. NEJM 2018 DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa1805374

# Conclusions REDUCE FMR

- Catheter annuloplasty with the Carillon significantly reduced MR
- Adverse events were similar in the treatment vs. sham-controlled groups (MAE at 1 year 16.1% in the treatment group vs. 18.2% in the control group)
- Echo FU showed positive remodeling (LVESV and LVEDV)
- It may make sense to interrupt the vicious circle of LV dysfunction and mitral regurgitation (MR) not when the MR has become severe but as early as possible
- A larger randomized trial with clinical endpoints is ongoing

# Thank you!

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