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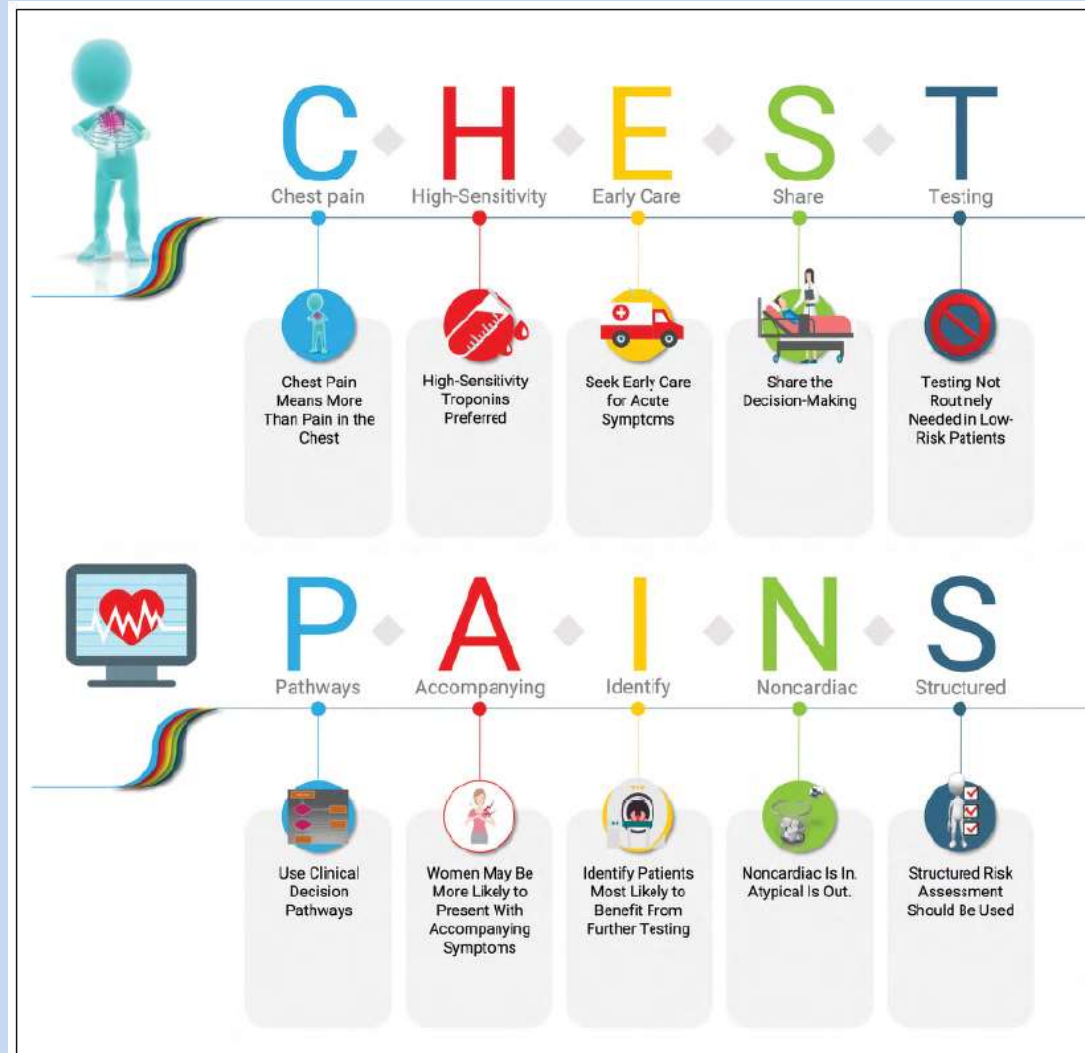
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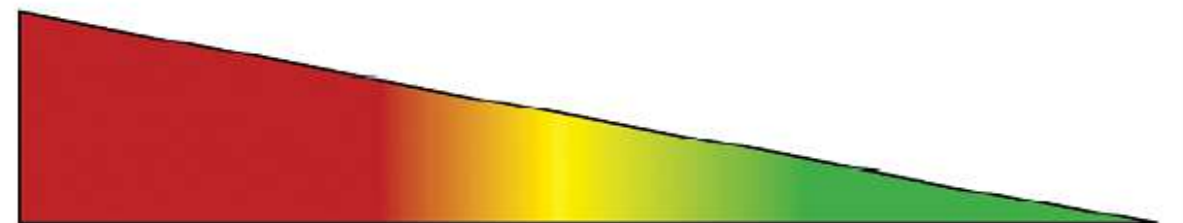
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- Central
- Left-sided
- Stabbing
- Right-sided
- Sharp
- Pressure
- Dull
- Tearing
- Fleeting
- Squeezing
- Aching
- Ripping
- Shifting
- Gripping
- Burning
- Pleuritic
- Heaviness
- Positional
- Tightness
- Exertional/stress-related
- Retrosternal

High

Low

Probability of Ischemia

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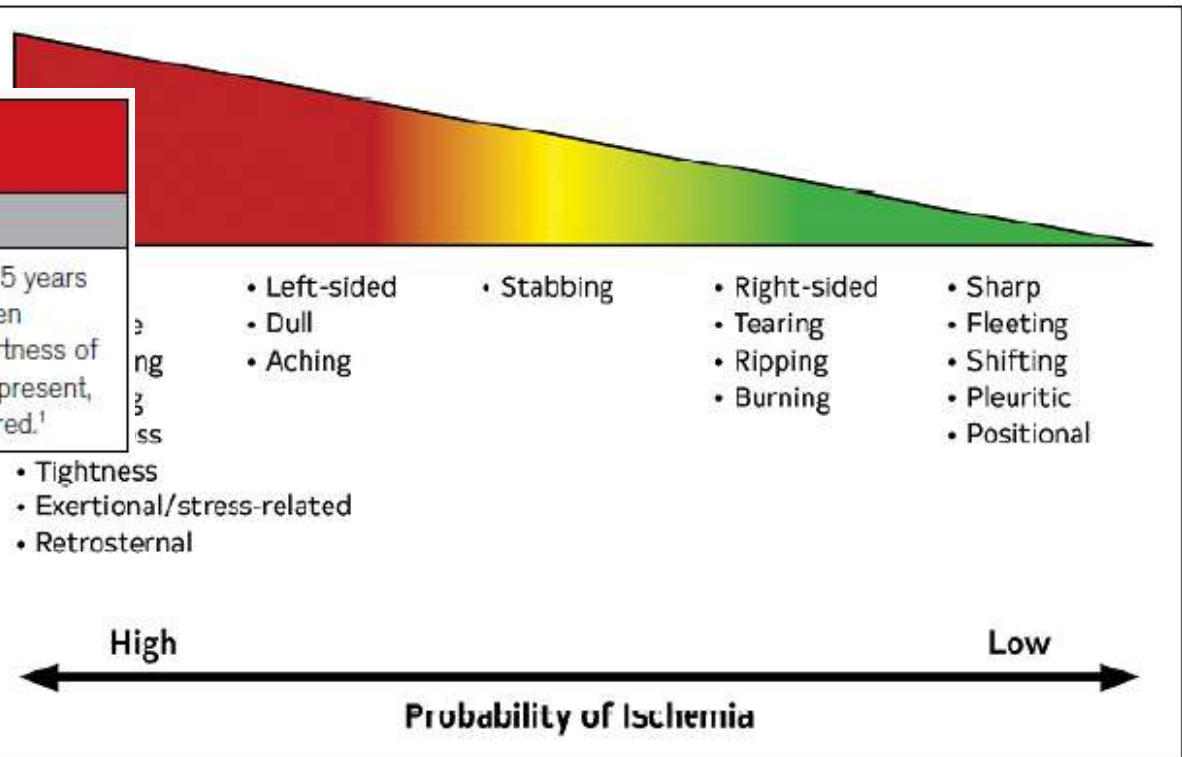
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1	B-NR	1. Unless a noncardiac cause is evident, an ECG should be performed for patients seen in the office setting with stable chest pain; if an ECG is unavailable the patient should be referred to the ED so one can be obtained. ¹⁻⁵
1	C-LD	2. Patients with clinical evidence of ACS or other life-threatening causes of acute chest pain seen in the office setting should be transported urgently to the ED, ideally by EMS. ¹⁻⁹
1	C-LD	3. In all patients who present with acute chest pain regardless of the setting, an ECG should be acquired and reviewed for STEMI within 10 minutes of arrival. ^{1-3,6,7,10}
1	C-LD	4. In all patients presenting to the ED with acute chest pain and suspected ACS, cTn should be measured as soon as possible after presentation. ^{8,9}
3: Harm	C-LD	5. For patients with acute chest pain and suspected ACS initially evaluated in the office setting, delayed transfer to the ED for cTn or other diagnostic testing should be avoided.

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Patients with primary outcome in study population, %	6–22	12	15	5–8	9.8	10–17
Troponin	cTn, hs-cTn	hs-cTn	cTn, hs-cTn	cTn, hs-cTn	hs-cTn	cTn, hs-cTn
Variables used	History ECG Age Risk factors Troponin (0, 3 h)	Age Sex Risk factors History Troponin (0, 2 h)	TIMI score 0-1 No ischemic ECG changes Troponin (0, 2 h)	Age Risk factors Previous AMI or CAD Troponin (0, 2 h)	History ECG hs-cTn (0, 1 or 2 h)	Age HR, SBP Serum Cr Cardiac arrest ECG Cardiac biomarker Killip class
Risk thresholds:						
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Intermediate risk	HEART score 4-6	NA	TIMI score 2-4	NA	Initial hs-cTn is between "low" and "high" And/Or 1- or 2-h hs-cTn Δ is between low and high thresholds	T0 hs-cTn = 12–52 ng/L or 1-h Δ = 3–5 ng/L
High risk	HEART score 7-10 ^{48,49}	NA	TIMI score 5-7 ⁴⁹	NA	Initial hs-cTn is "high" Or 1- or 2-h hs-cTn Δ is high	T0 hs-cTn >52 ng/L Or Δ 1 h >5 ng/L
Performance	↑ ED discharges by 21% (40% versus 18%) ↓ 30-d objective testing by 12% (69% versus 57%) ↓ length of stay by 12 h (9.9 versus 21.9 h)	More patients identified as low risk versus ADAPT (42% versus 31%)	ADAPT: More discharged ≤6 h (19% versus 11%)	30-d MACE sensitivity =100% 28% eligible for ED discharge	AMI sensitivity >99% 62% Ruled out (0.2% 30-d MACE) 25% Observe 13% Rule in	AMI sensitivity >99% 30-d MACE not studied
AMI sensitivity, %	100	100	100	100	>99	96.7
cTn accuracy: 30-d MACE sensitivity, %	100	100	100	100	NA	NA
hs-cTn accuracy: 30-d MACE sensitivity, %	95	92	93	99	99	--
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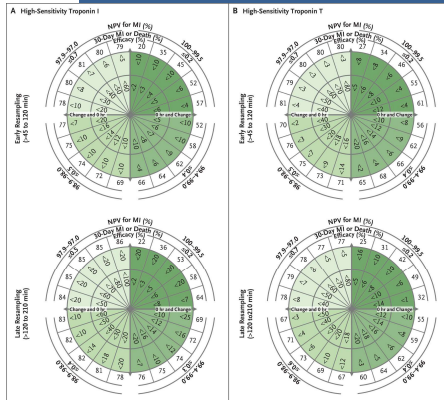


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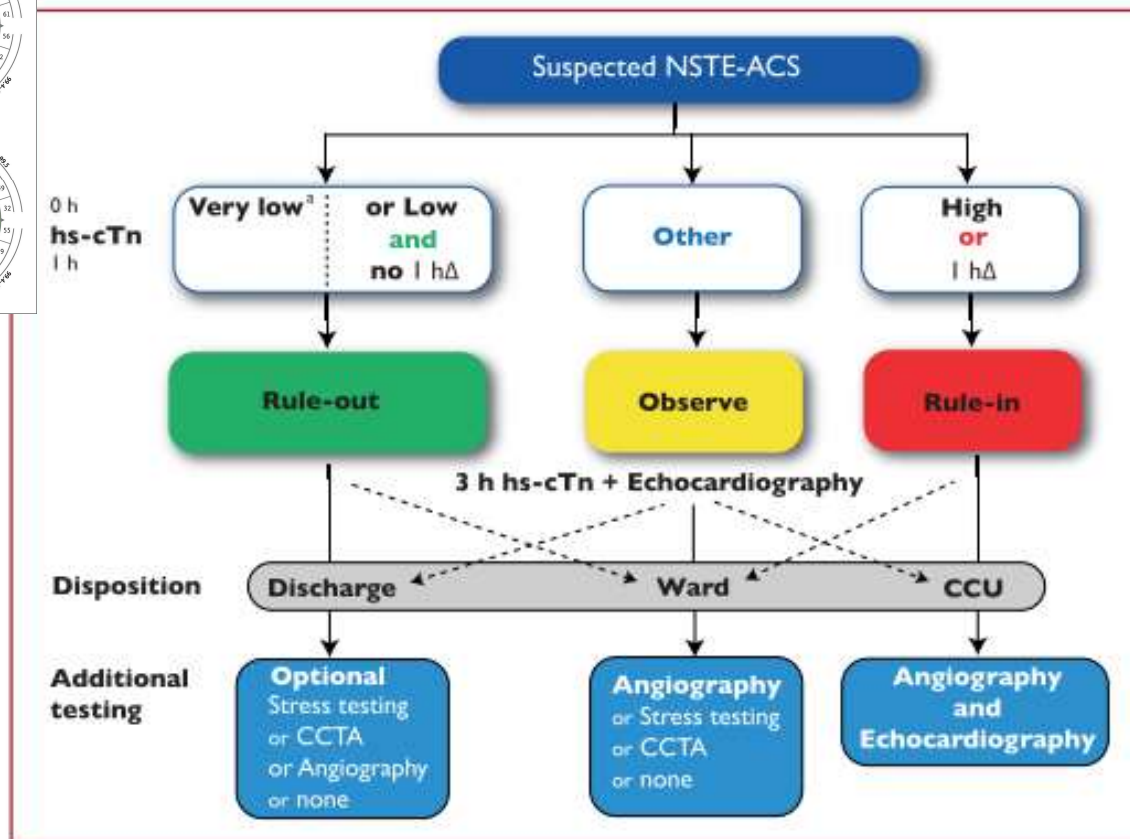
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Rule-in rule-out



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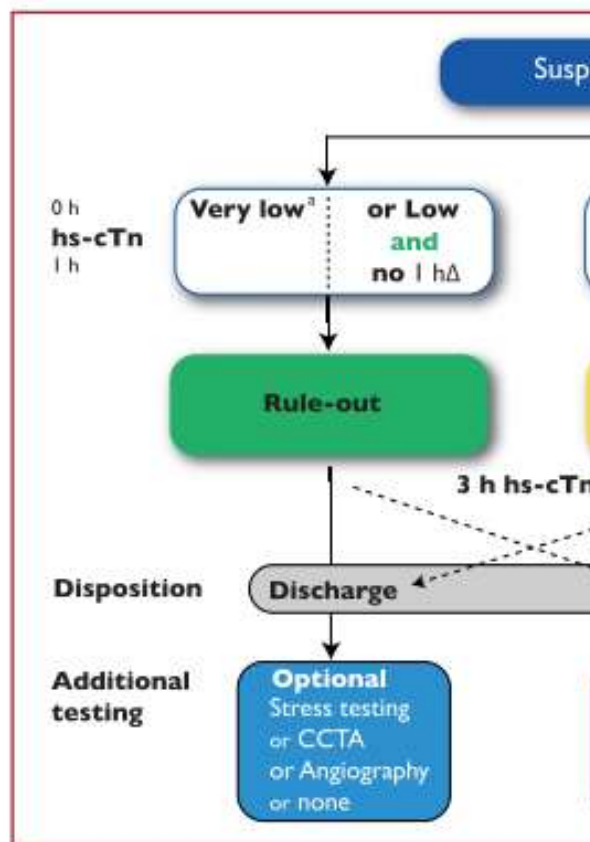
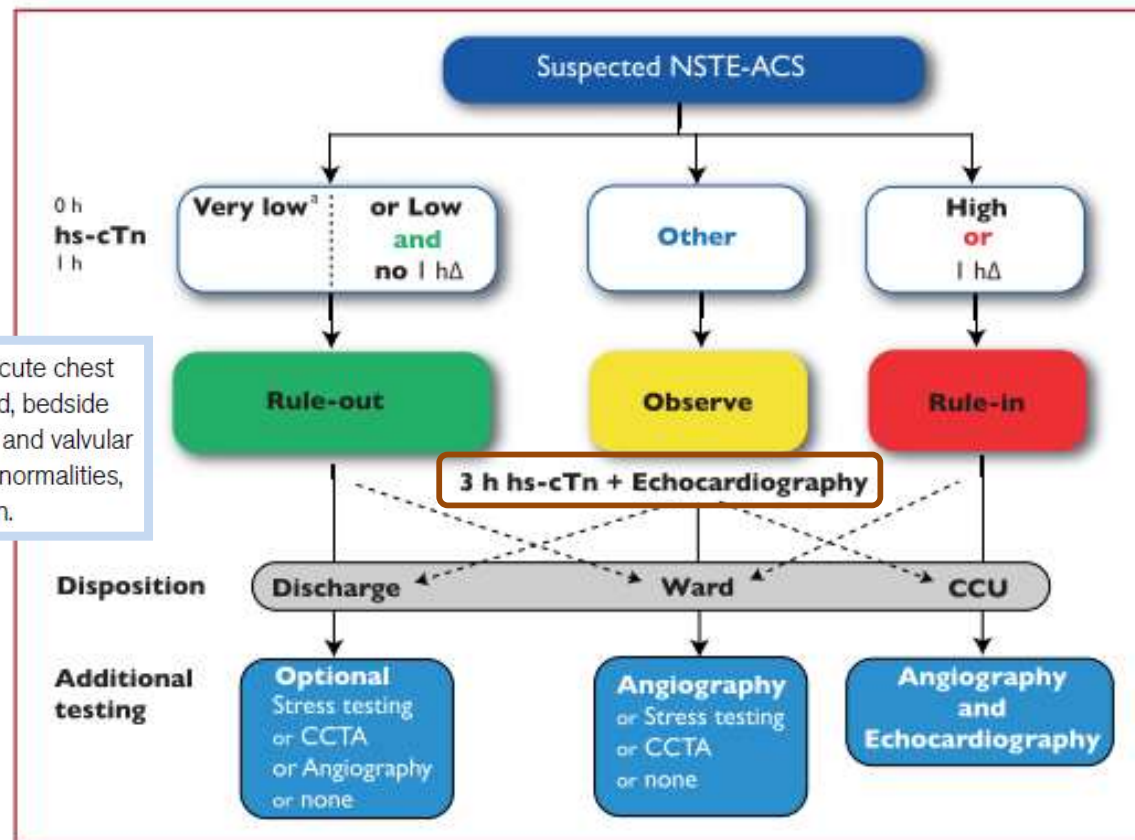


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hs-cTn T (Elecsys; Roche)	<5	<12	<3	≥52	≥5
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hs-cTn I (Clarity; Singulex)	<1	<2	<1	≥30	≥6
hs-cTn I (Vitros; Clinical Diagnostics)	<1	<2	<1	≥40	≥4
hs-cTn I (Pathfast; LSI Medience)	<3	<4	<3	≥90	≥20
hs-cTn I (TriageTrue; Quidel)	<4	<5	<3	≥60	≥8
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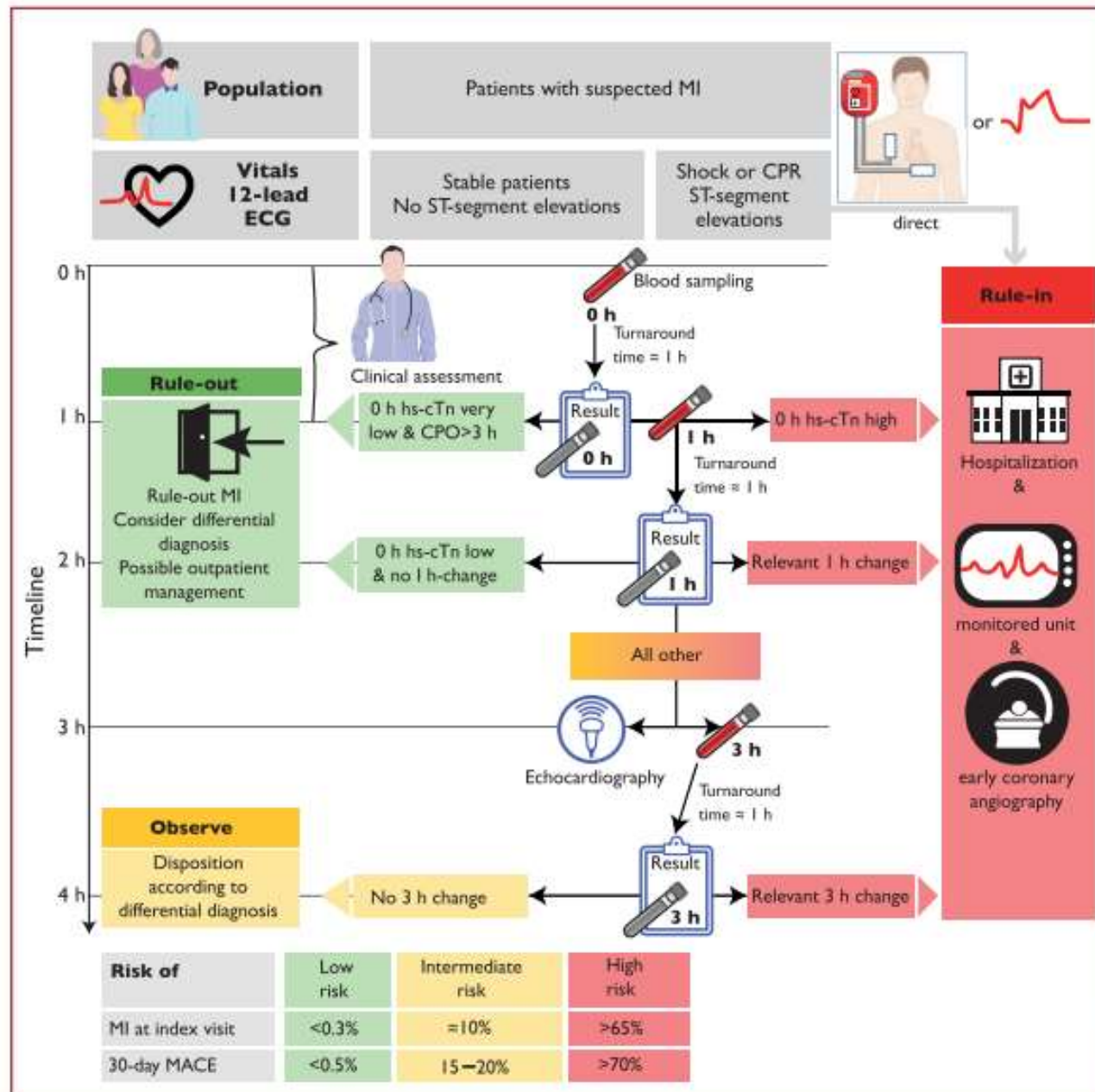
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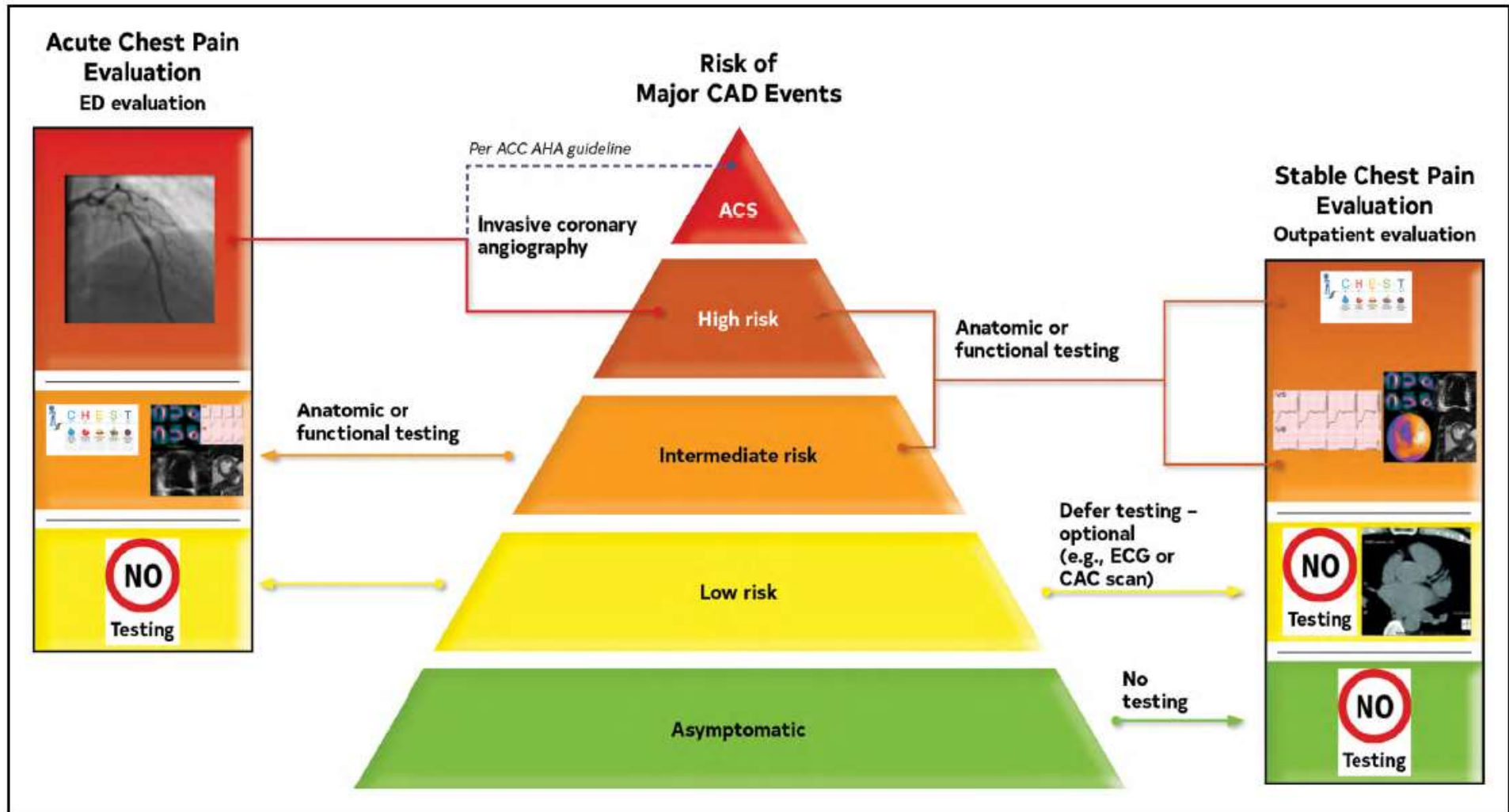
Recommendations for Low-Risk Patients With Acute Chest Pain
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1	B-NR	1. Patients with acute chest pain and a 30-day risk of death or MACE <1% should be designated as low risk. ^{1–11}
2a	B-R	2. In patients with acute chest pain and suspected ACS who are deemed low-risk (<1% 30-day risk of death or MACE), it is reasonable to discharge home without admission or urgent cardiac testing. ^{12–16}

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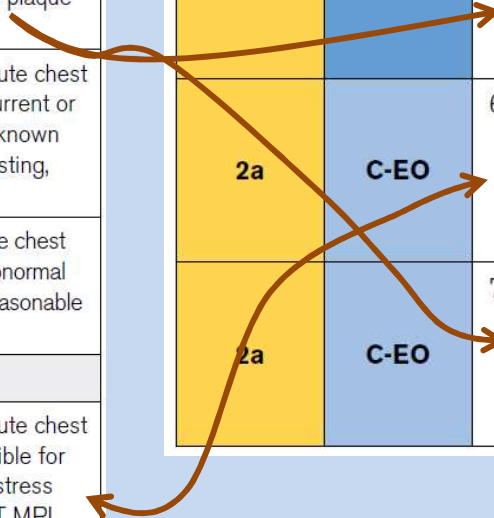
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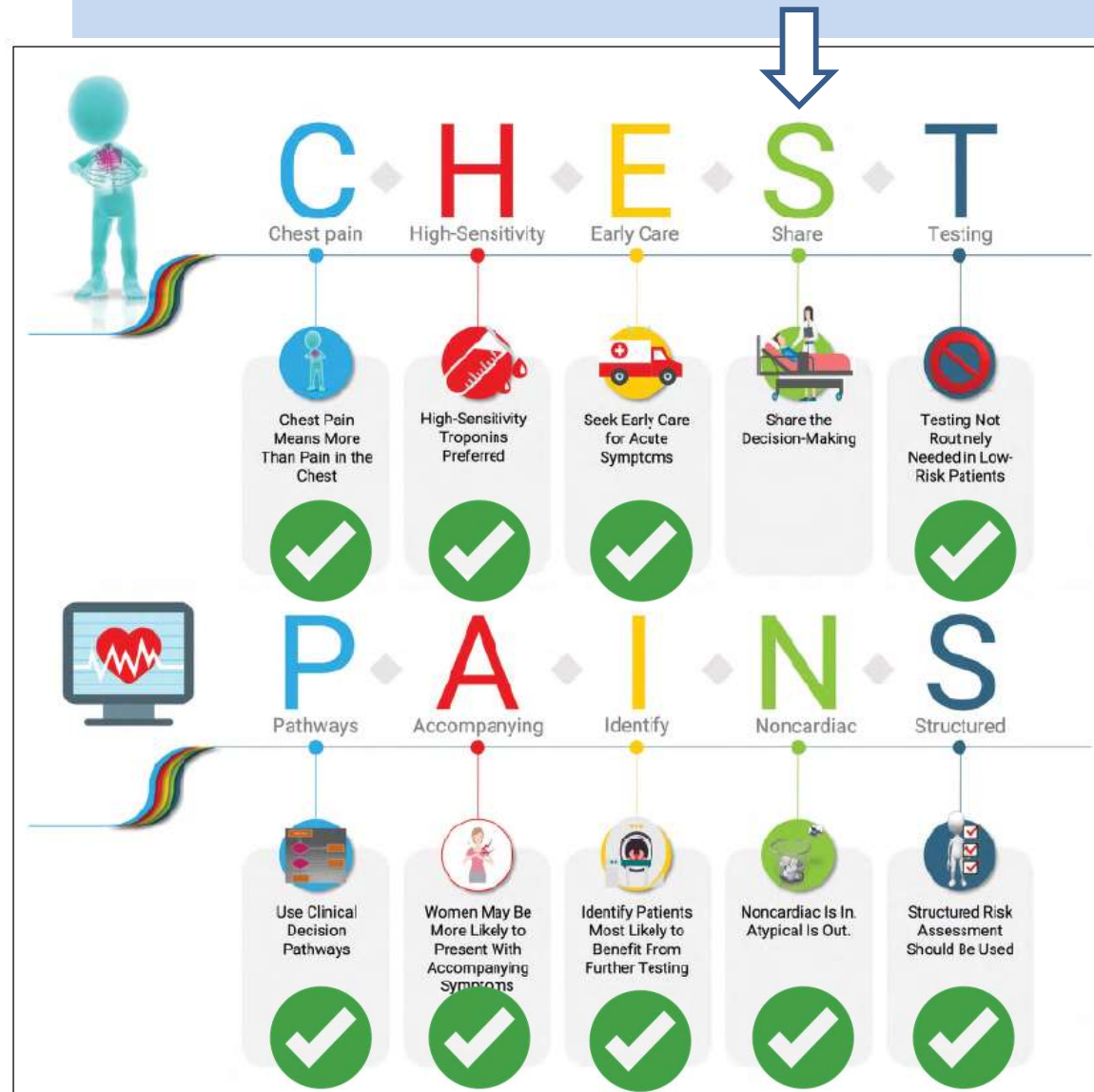
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Recommendations for Intermediate-Risk Patients With No Known CAD		
Referenced studies that support the recommendations are summarized in Online Data Supplements 14 and 15.		
COR	LOE	Recommendations
Index Diagnostic Testing		
Anatomic Testing		
1	A	1. For intermediate-risk patients with acute chest pain and no known CAD eligible for diagnostic testing after a negative or inconclusive evaluation for ACS, CCTA is useful for exclusion of atherosclerotic plaque and obstructive CAD. ¹⁻¹¹
1	C-EO	2. For intermediate-risk patients with acute chest pain, moderate-severe ischemia on current or prior (≤ 1 year) stress testing, and no known CAD established by prior anatomic testing, ICA is recommended.
2a	C-LD	3. For intermediate-risk patients with acute chest pain with evidence of previous mildly abnormal stress test results (≤ 1 year), CCTA is reasonable for diagnosing obstructive CAD. ^{12,13}
Stress Testing		
1	B-NR	4. For intermediate-risk patients with acute chest pain and no known CAD who are eligible for cardiac testing, either exercise ECG, stress echocardiography, stress PET/SPECT MPI, or stress CMR is useful for the diagnosis of myocardial ischemia. ^{1,4,10,14-36}

Sequential or Add-on Diagnostic Testing		
2a	B-NR	5. For intermediate-risk patients with acute chest pain and no known CAD, with a coronary artery stenosis of 40% to 90% in a proximal or middle coronary artery on CCTA, FFR-CT can be useful for the diagnosis of vessel-specific ischemia and to guide decision-making regarding the use of coronary revascularization. ³⁷⁻⁴³
2a	C-EO	6. For intermediate-risk patients with acute chest pain and no known CAD, as well as an inconclusive prior stress test, CCTA can be useful for excluding the presence of atherosclerotic plaque and obstructive CAD.
2a	C-EO	7. For intermediate-risk patients with acute chest pain and no known CAD, with an inconclusive CCTA, stress imaging (with echocardiography, PET/SPECT MPI, or CMR) can be useful for the diagnosis of myocardial ischemia.



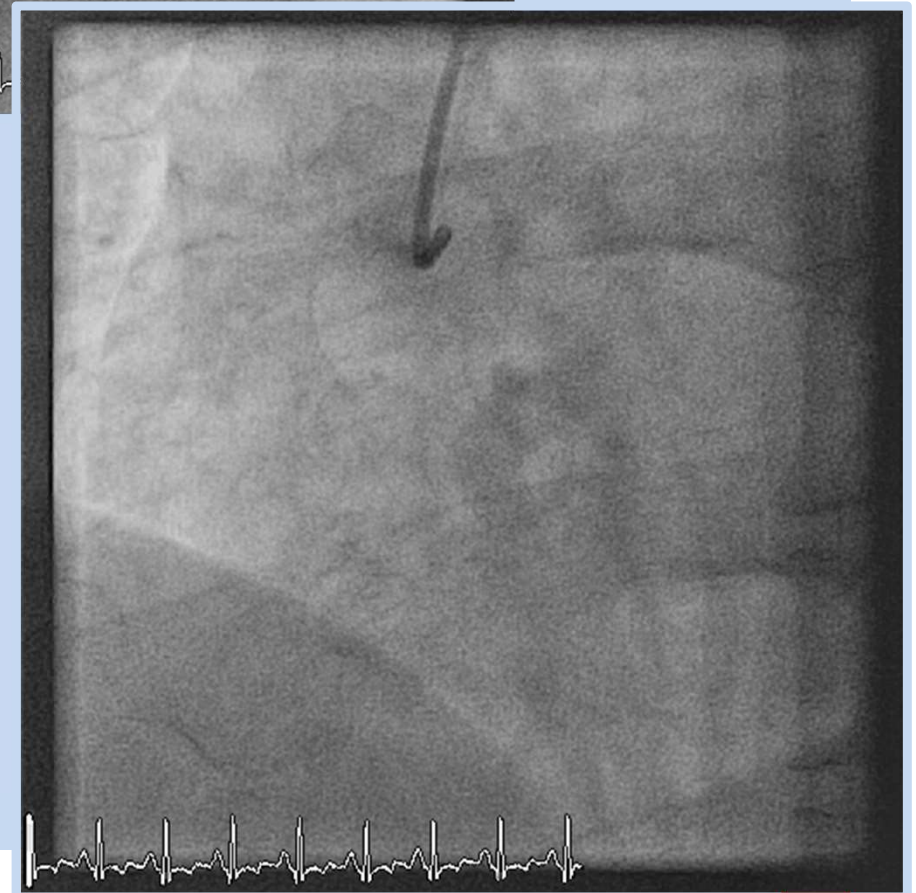
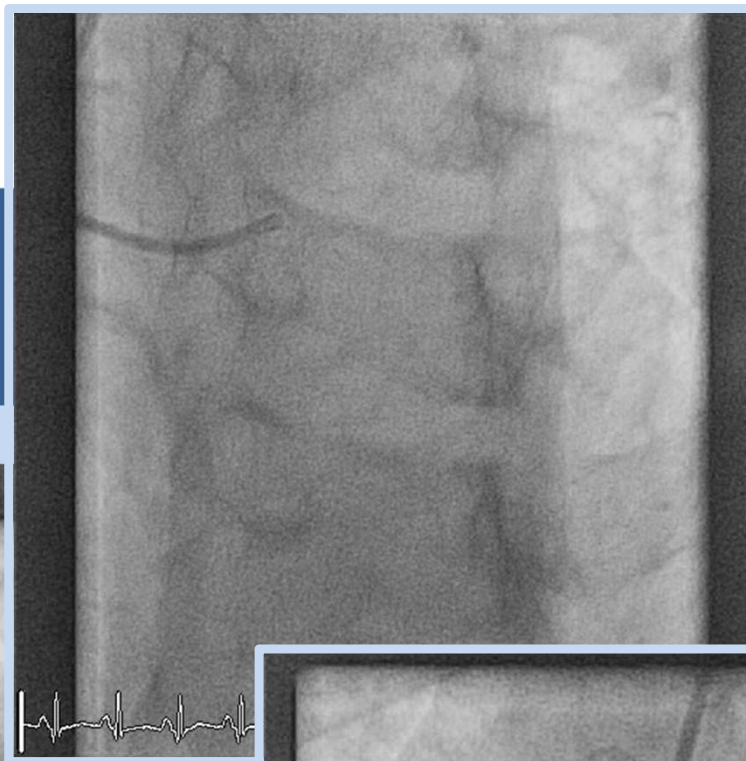
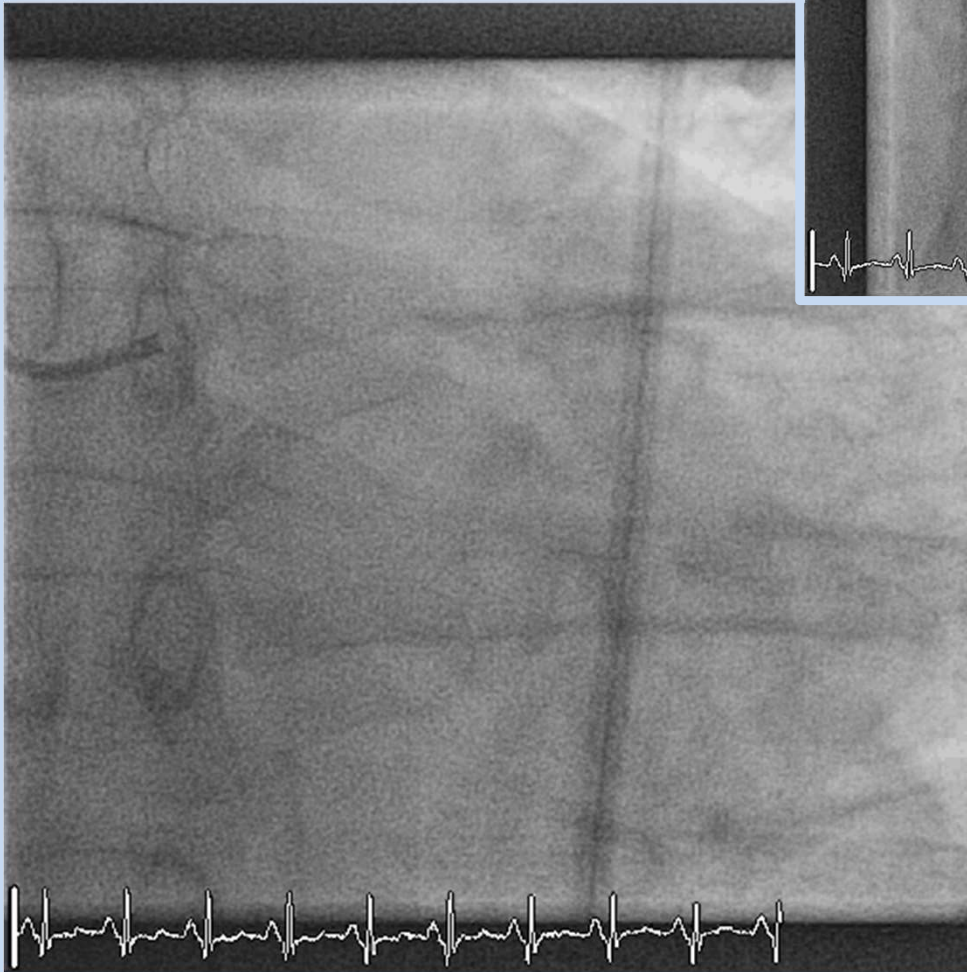
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Recommendations for Shared Decision-Making In Patients With Acute Chest Pain
Referenced studies that support the recommendations are summarized in [Online Data Supplement 22](#).

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1	B-R	1. For patients with acute chest pain and suspected ACS who are deemed low risk by a CDP, patient decision aids are beneficial to improve understanding and effectively facilitate risk communication. ^{1,2}
1	B-R	2. For patients with acute chest pain and suspected ACS who are deemed intermediate risk by a CDP, shared decision-making between the clinician and patient regarding the need for admission, for observation, discharge, or further evaluation in an outpatient setting is recommended for improving patient understanding and reducing low-value testing. ^{1,2}

Culprit and “non-”



Culprit and “non-”

A coronary lesion should be considered culprit if it fulfills at least two:

- Intraluminal filling defect
- Plaque ulceration
- Plaque irregularity, dissection or impaired flow

350 patients Vanqwish trial
54% NSTEMIs
39% STEMI

	n (%)
Patients	350
Culprit lesion identified	221 (63)
Single culprit lesion	173 (49)
Single incomplete occlusion	127 (36)
Single complete occlusion	46 (13)
Multiple culprit lesions	48 (14)
No culprit lesion identified	129 (37)

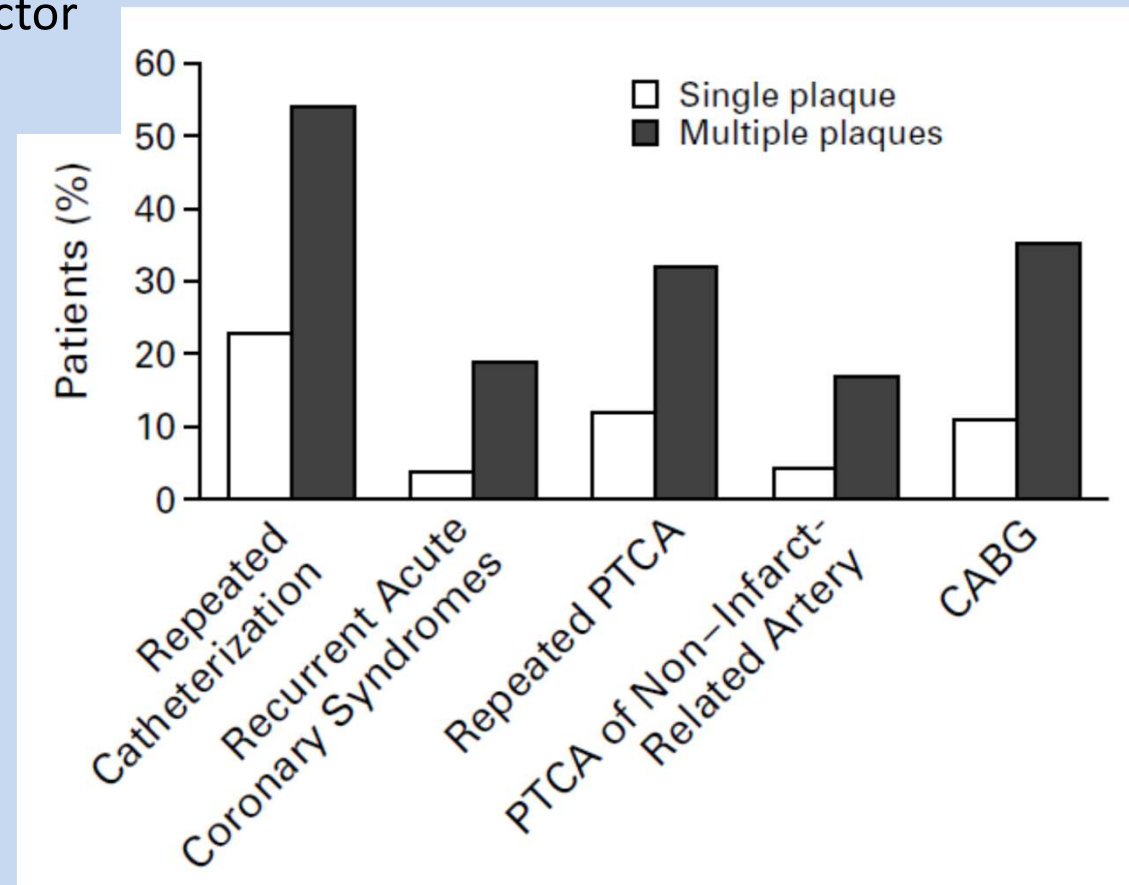
MI = myocardial infarction; n = number of patients.

Up to 40% of NSTEMI-ACS patients with obstructive CAD present with multiple complex plaques^{159–162} and 25% with an acute occluded coronary artery,¹⁶³ so that identification of the culprit lesion may be challenging.

“Non-culprit” as cause of events

In NSTEMI, the presence of multiple lesions

- is frequent (25-40%)
- is the most potent predictor factor
- is responsible for ~50% of the subsequent events

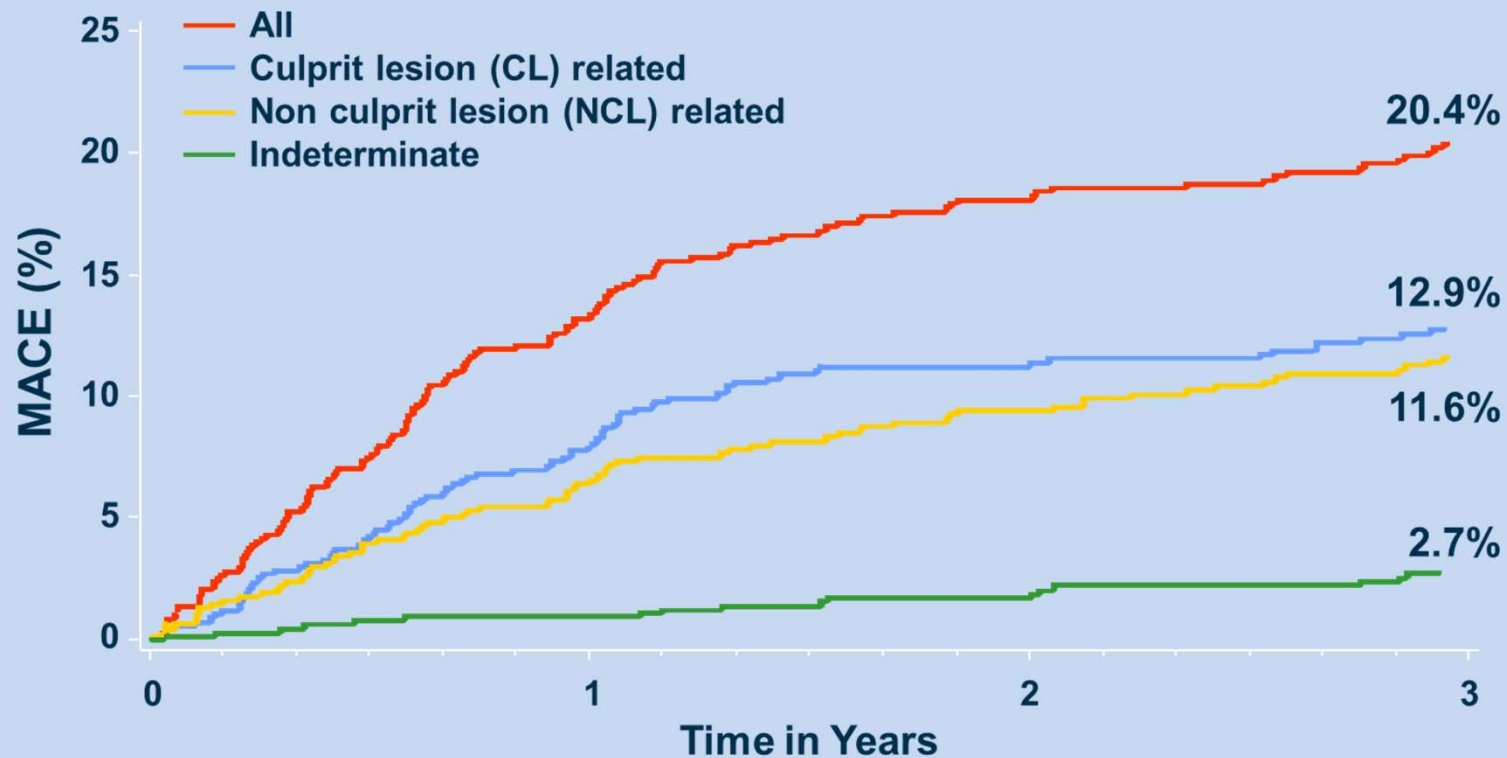


MULTIPLE COMPLEX CORONARY PLAQUES IN PATIENTS WITH ACUTE MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION

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N=253 patients (153 MVD)

Prospect study

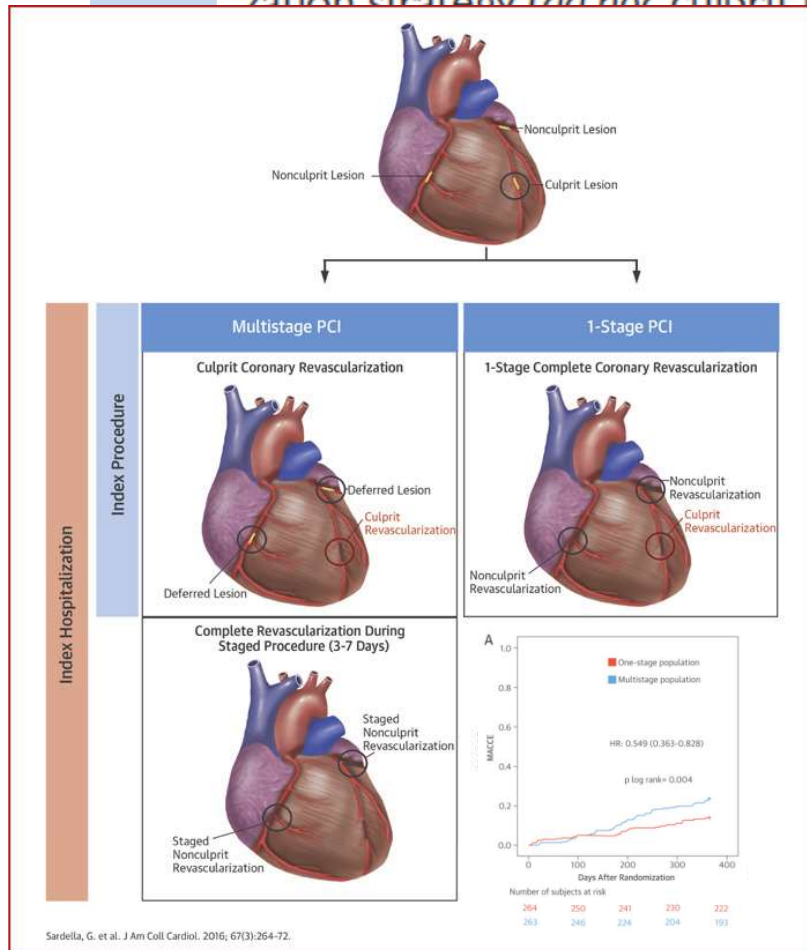


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What to do?

It is recommended to base the revascularization strategy (ad hoc culprit lesion PCI/ clinical status the disease



revascularization strategies and outcomes

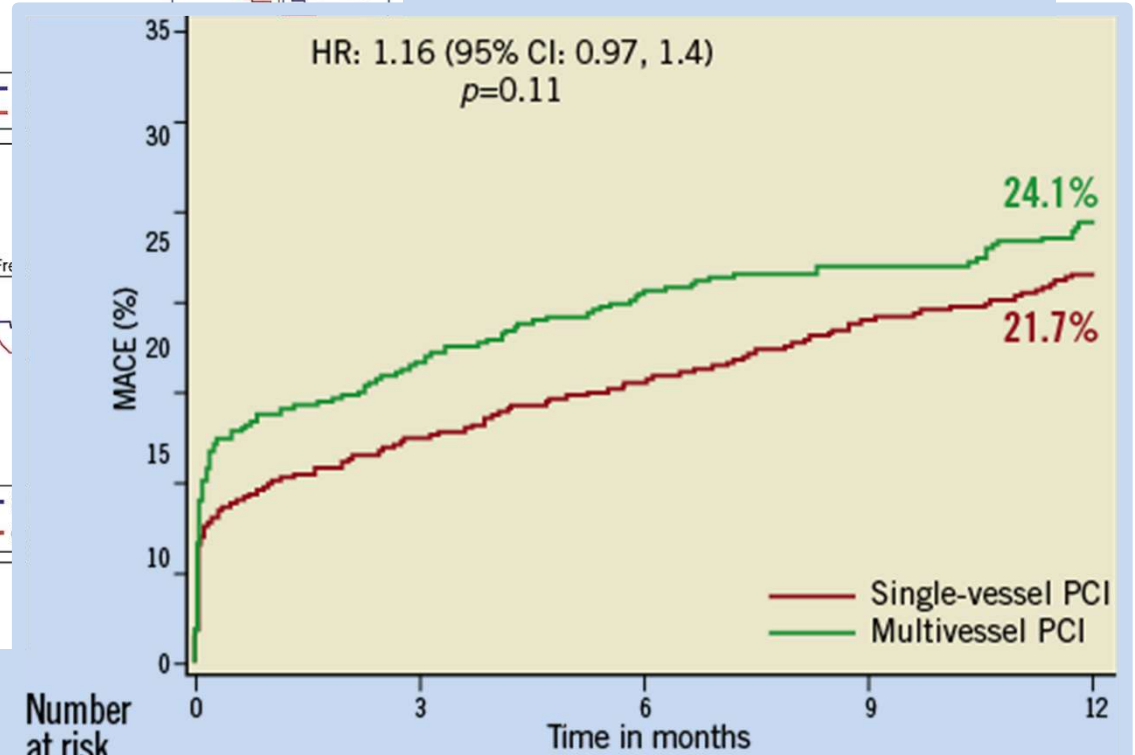
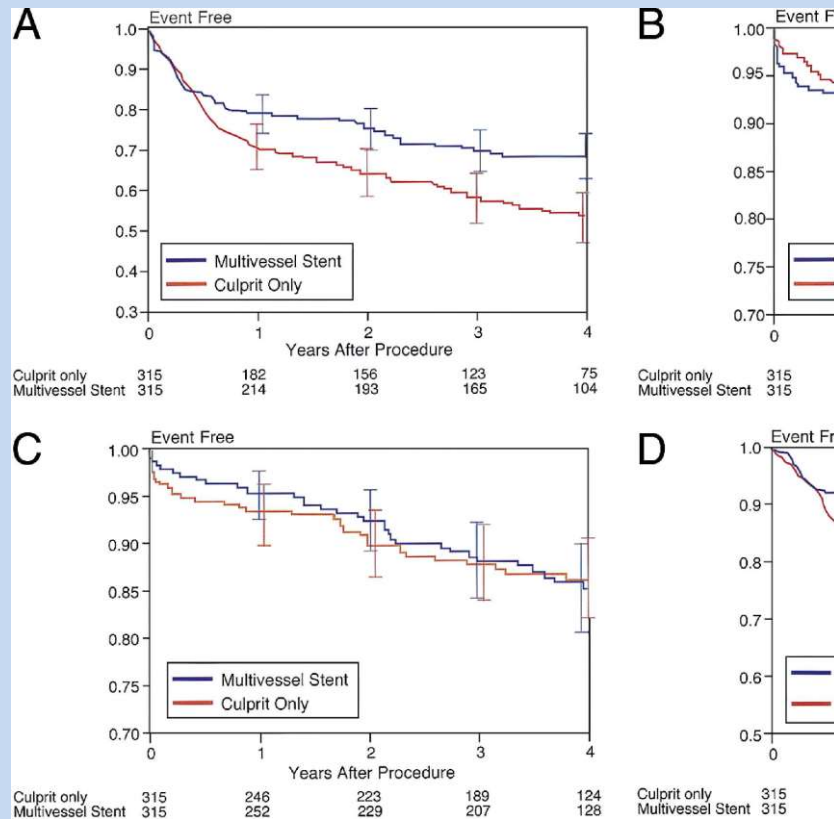
revascularization of significant lesions should be attempted in NSTEMI/UA patients, given that it was mandated in the early vs. late intervention ^{171,182,183} and that the prognosis with incomplete revascularization is known to be poor. In addition, it seems that complete one-stage revascularization is associated with better clinical outcome than multistage

The 1-year rate of target vessel revascularization was significantly higher in the MS-PCI group (1S-PCI: n = 22 [8.33%] vs. MS-PCI: n = 40 [15.20%]; HR: 0.522 [95% CI: 0.310 to 0.878]; p = 0.01; p log-rank = 0.013)

- "Multivessel"? - 584pts
- TVR, not nTVR

What to do? – conflict

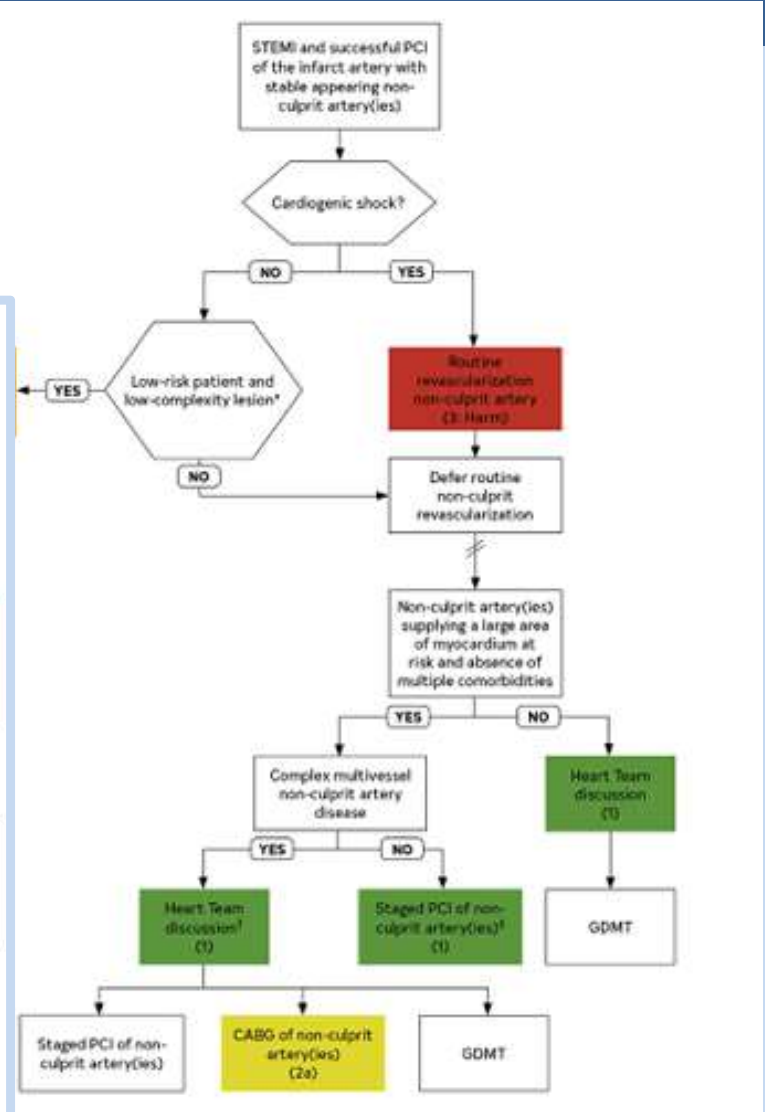
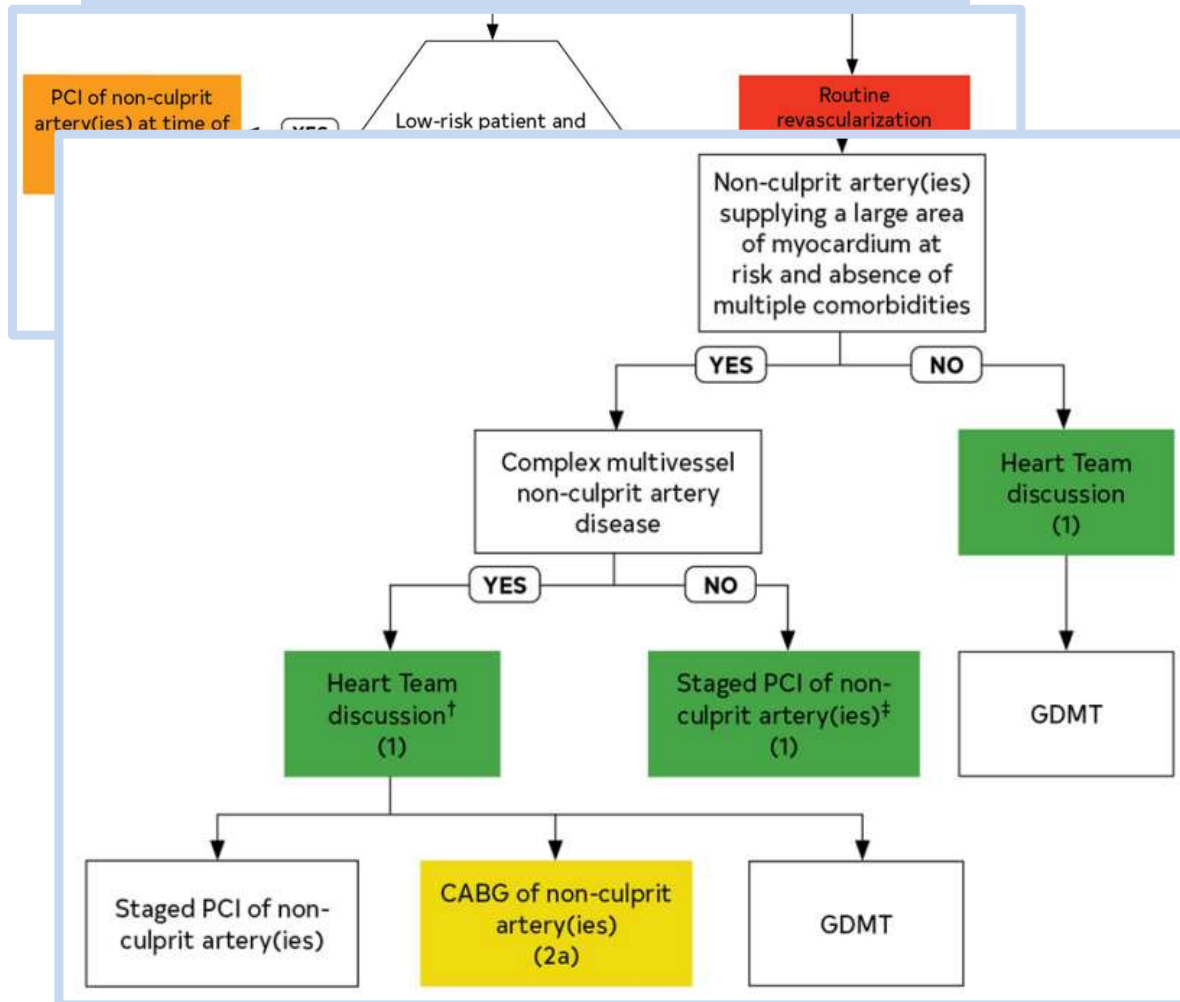
1,240 patients, BMS



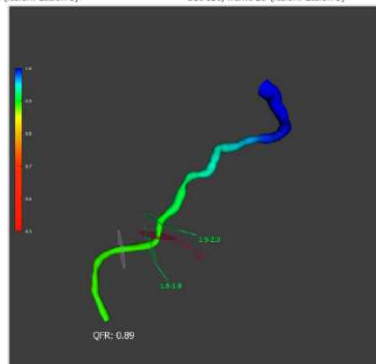
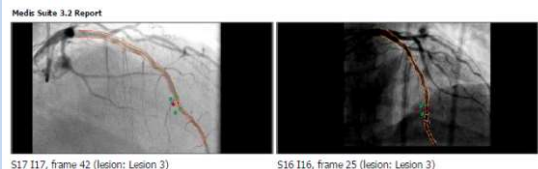
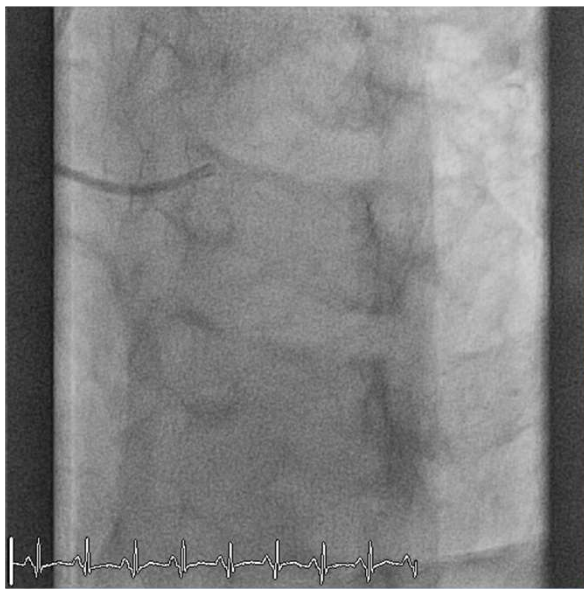
ACUITY
609 pts
death/MI higher in the MV PCI group

Number at risk	0	3	6	9	12
SV PCI	2,255	1,910	1,838	1,763	1,055
MV PCI	609	492	469	460	243

Culprit and “non-”



QUOMODO



3D Reconstruction: LAO 72, CRA 13 (lesion: Lesion 3)

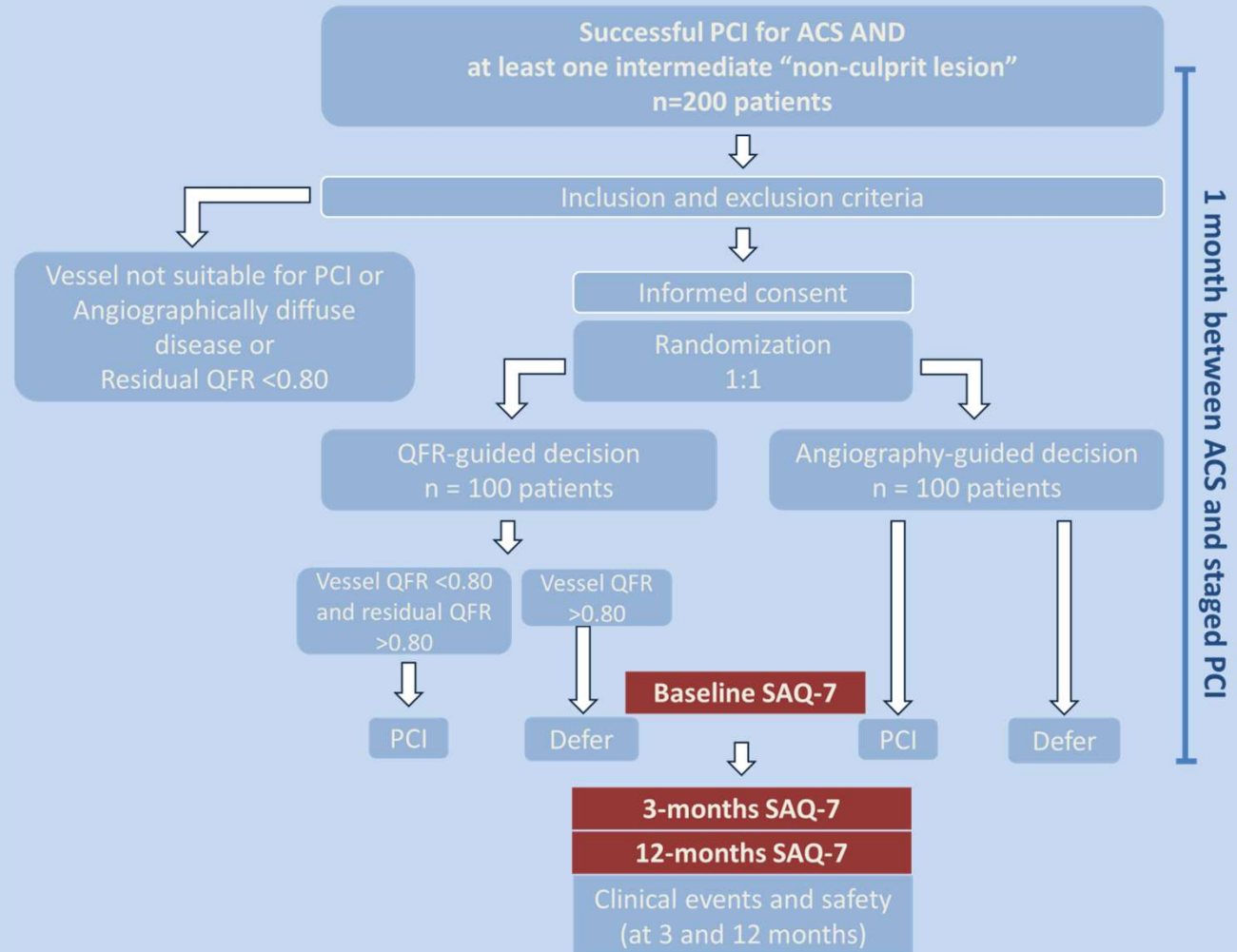
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Vessel QFR Results

	Contrast	Fixed Flow
Vessel QFR	0.89	0.87
QFR at index	0.89	0.87 at 77.9 mm

Lesion QFR Results

	Lesion 1	Lesion 2	Lesion 3
Contrast			
Δ QFR	0.06	0.02	0.01
Lesion QFR	0.94	0.98	0.99
Residual Vessel QFR	0.95	0.91	0.90
Fixed Flow			
Δ QFR	0.07	0.03	0.01
Lesion QFR	0.93	0.97	0.99
Residual Vessel QFR	0.94	0.90	0.88



1 month between ACS and staged PCI

MINOCA

use of OCT in the 25% of NSTEMI-ographically normal epicardial coronary arteries for identifying the culprit lesion, or rule out as dissection or haematomas [MI with normal arteries (MINOCA)].¹⁶⁷⁻¹⁶⁹

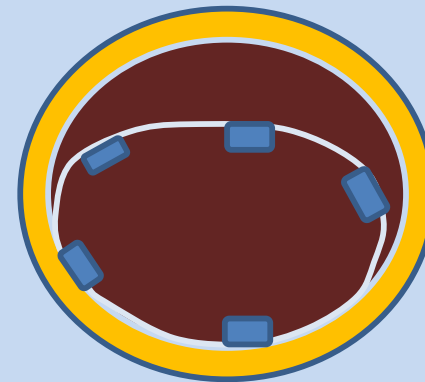
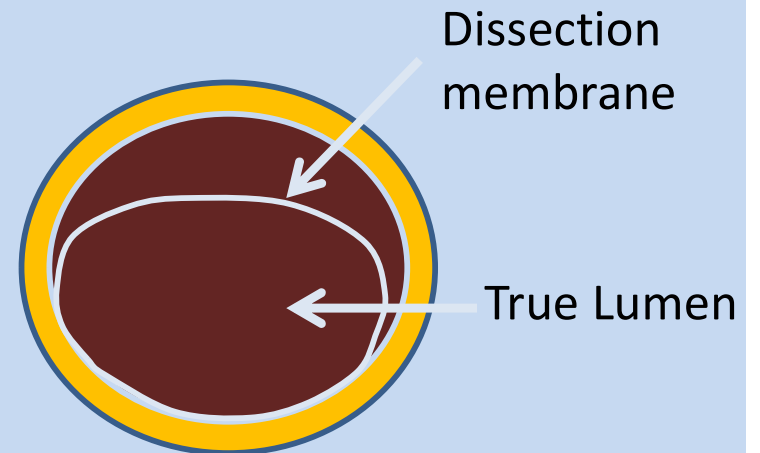
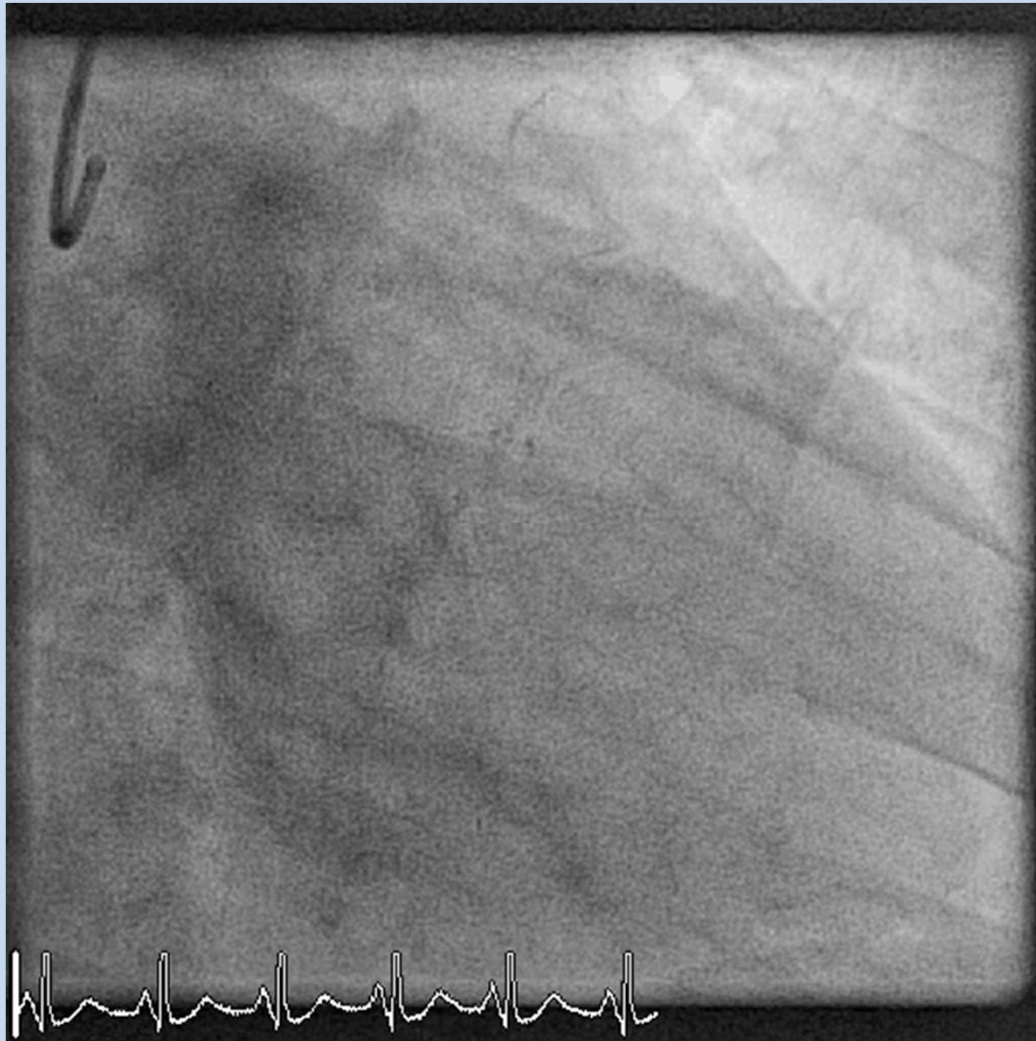
Spontaneous coronary artery dissection (SCAD) is a nonatherosclerotic, nontraumatic, or iatrogenic separation of the coronary arterial tunics secondary to vasa vasorum hemorrhage or intimal tear, and accounts for up to 4% of all ACS, but the incidence is reported to be much higher (22-35% of ACS) in women <60 years of age. Intracoronary imaging is very useful for the diagnosis and treatment orientation. Medical treatment is not well established.

38 pts with MINOCA

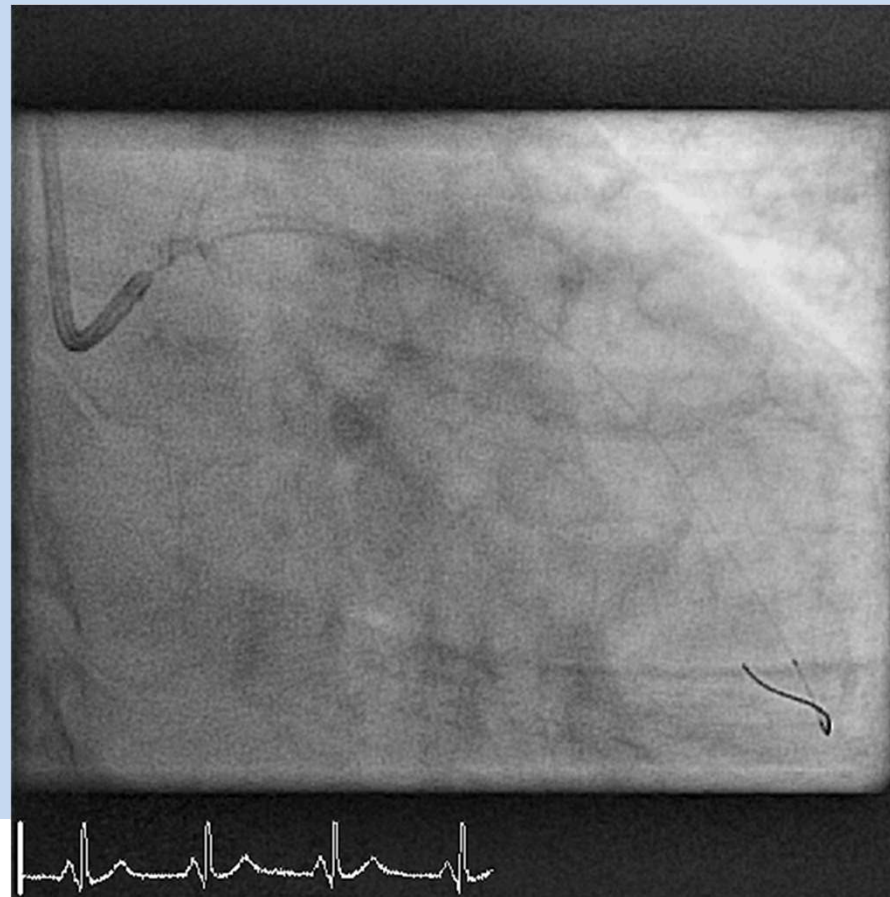
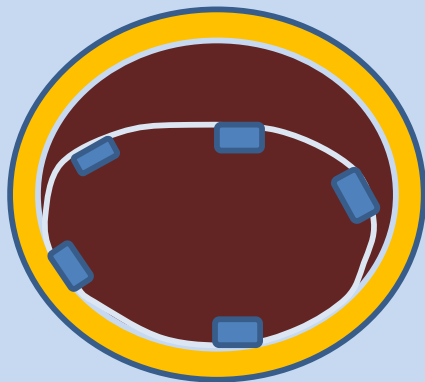
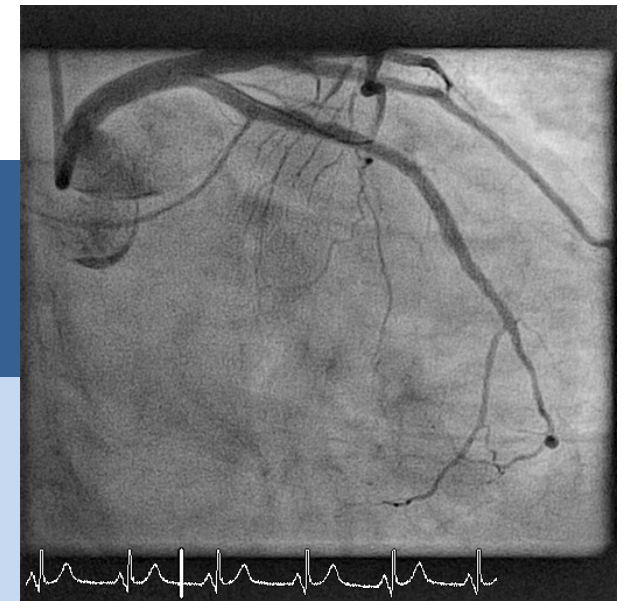
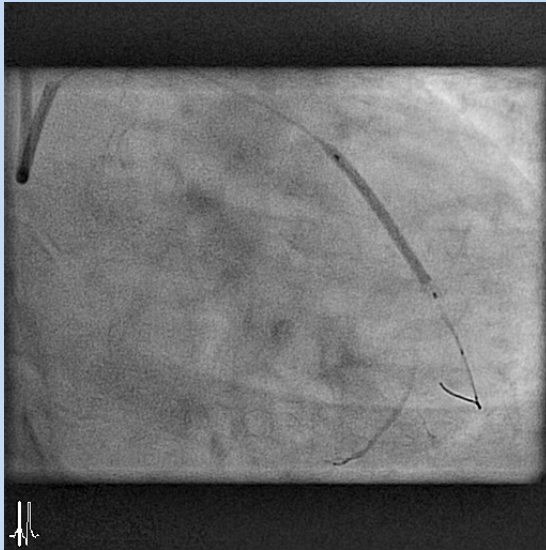
Plaque disruption and intracoronary thrombus were present in 24% and 18%

	All Lesions (n = 100)	Lesions in IRA (n = 10)	Lesions in non-IRA (n = 70)	p Value
Plaque disruption	14 (14)	4 (40)	4 (6)	0.020*
Plaque rupture	11 (11)	4 (40)	3 (4)	0.012*
Calcified nodule	4 (4)	0	1 (1)	0.051
Thrombus	10 (10)	5 (50)	3 (4)	0.014*
Red thrombus	9 (9)	5 (50)	2 (3)	0.001*
White thrombus	5 (5)	1 (10)	2 (3)	0.399
Plaque disruption with thrombus	6 (6)	3 (30)	1 (1)	0.005*
Plaque erosion	5 (5)	3 (30)	2 (3)	0.069
Plaque ulceration	2 (2)	0	2 (3)	0.051
Intramural hematoma	1 (1)	0	1 (1)	0.051

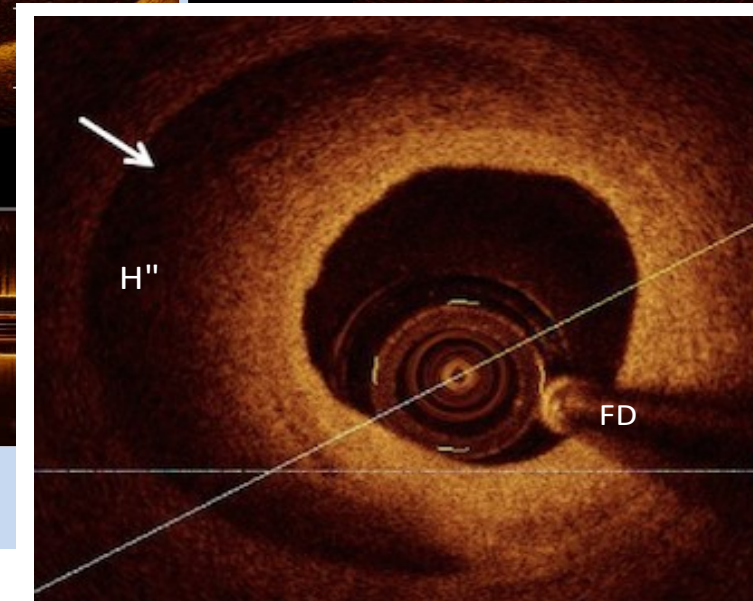
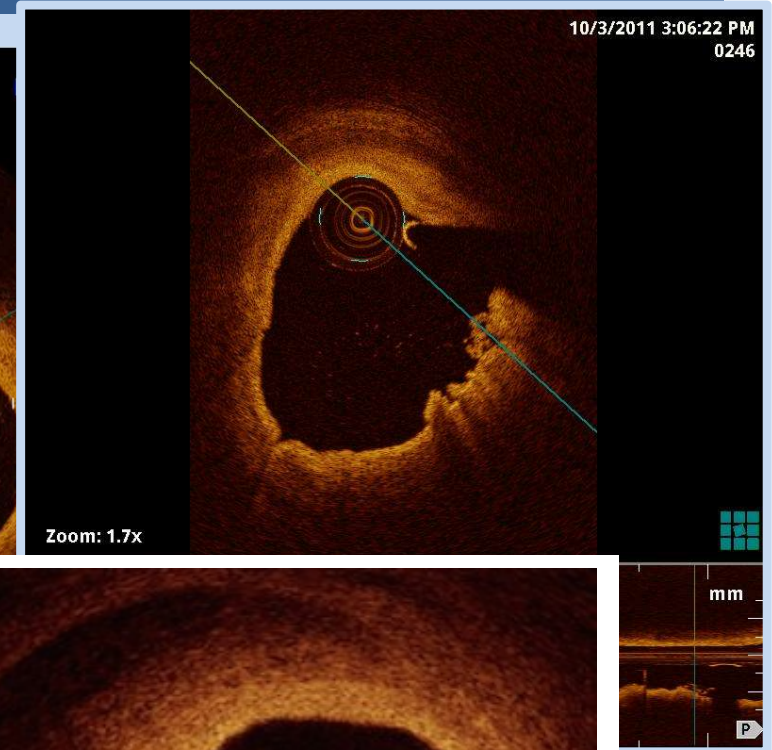
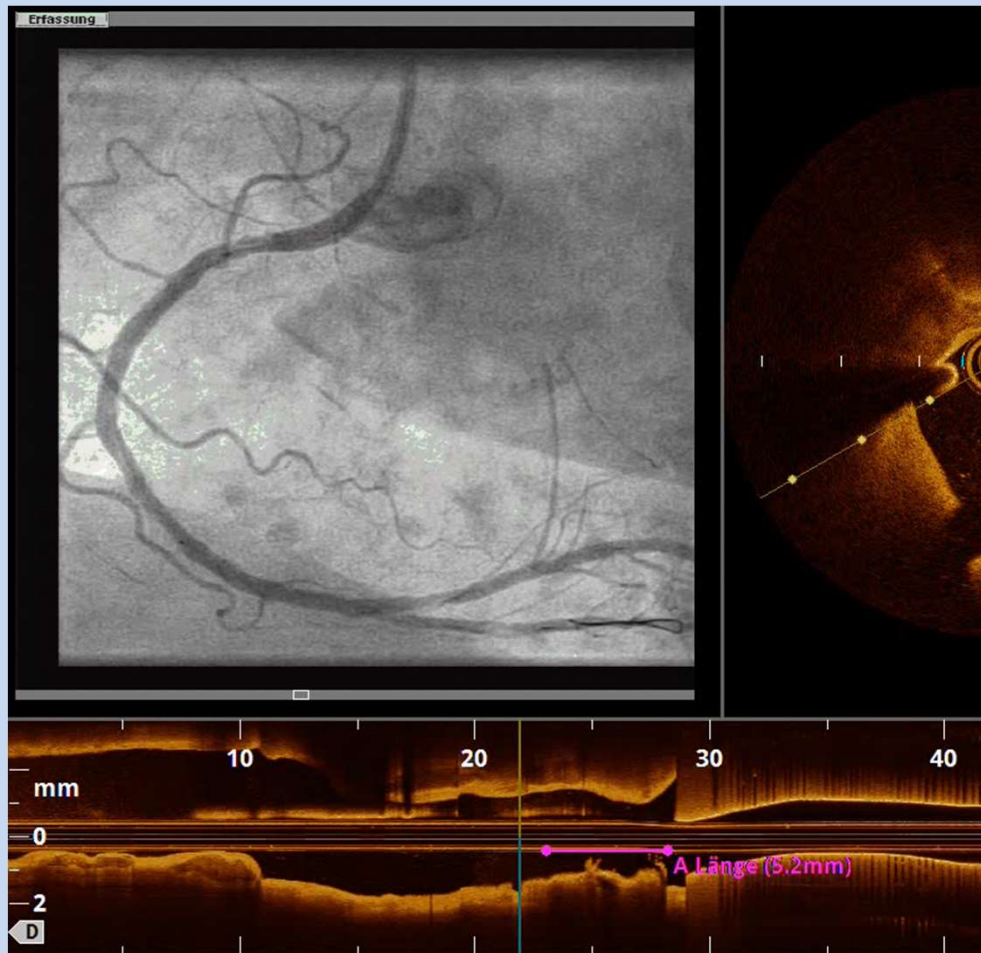
Spontaneous dissection



Spontaneous dissection



“not-so-MINOCA”



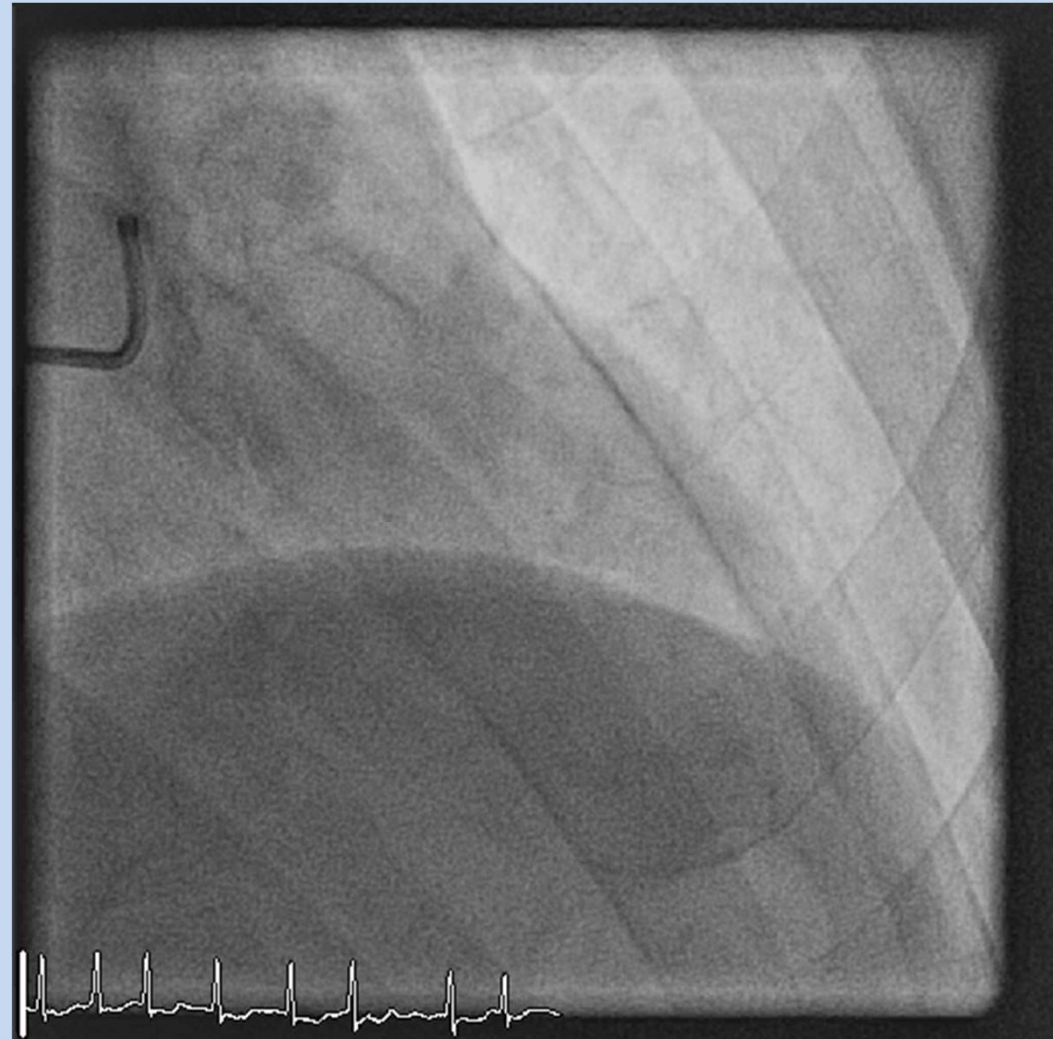
What is NOT (M)INOCA: “Chronic myocardial damage”

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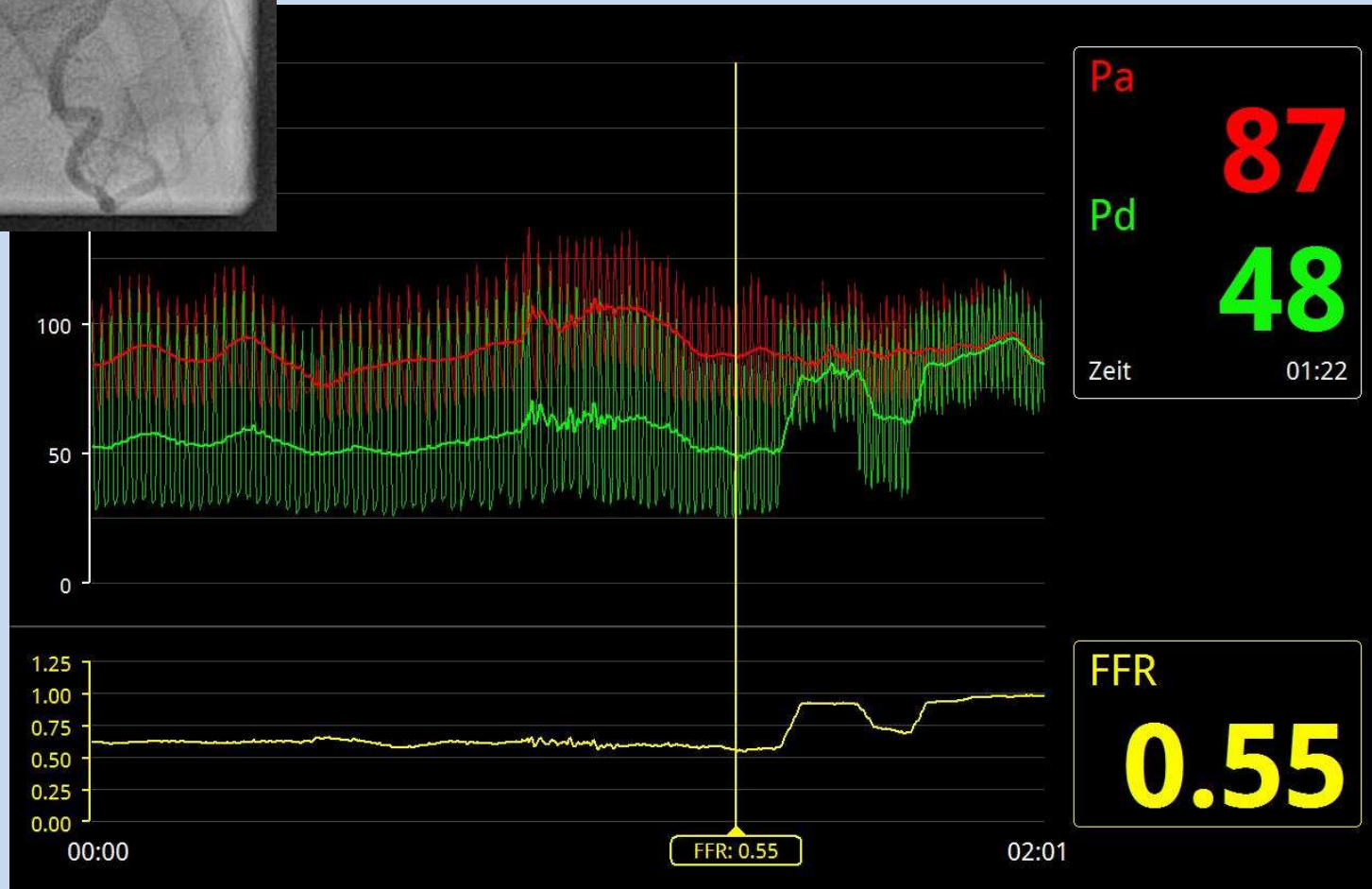
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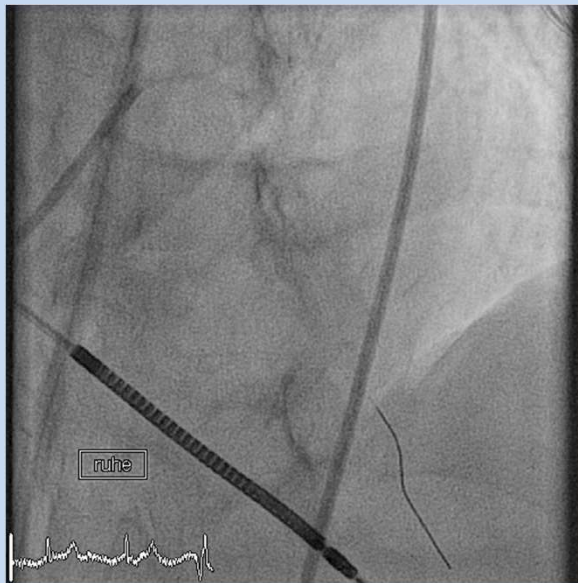


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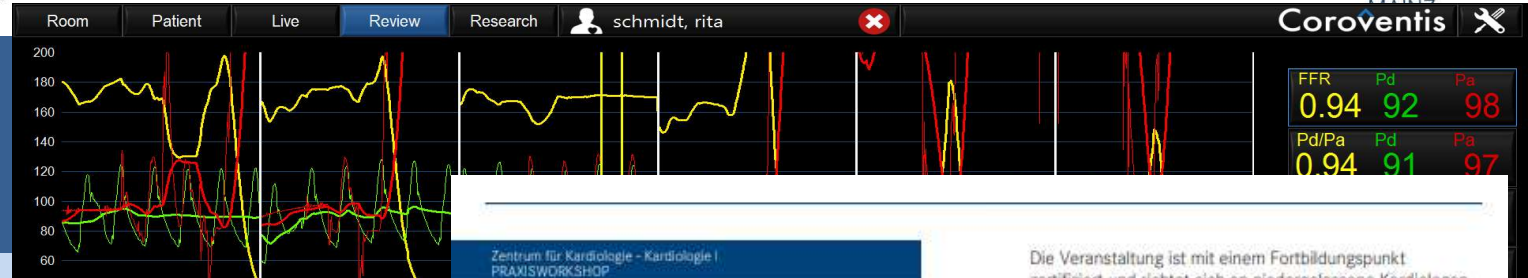


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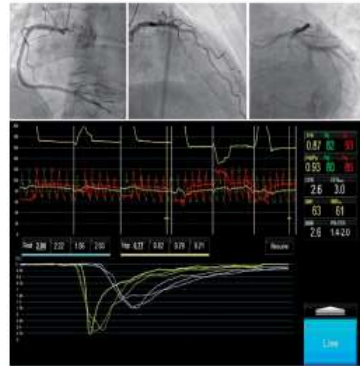


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PRAXISWORKSHOP

Mikrovaskuläre Angina pectoris: Ischämie ohne Stenosen

Mittwoch, 19. Januar 2022
18.00 - 19.00 Uhr
(Onlineveranstaltung)

Unser Wissen für Ihre Gesundheit

Mikrovaskuläre Angina pectoris: Ischämie ohne Stenosen

Liebe Kolleginnen und Kollegen,

die Koronarangiographie stellt den Goldstandard zum Nachweis einer obstruktiven koronaren Herzkrankheit dar und wird routinemäßig zur Untersuchung von Patienten mit Angina pectoris durchgeführt. Bei bis zu 40% aller Patienten, die sich einer elektiven Koronarangiographie mit Anzeichen einer myokardialen Ischämie unterziehen, liegt jedoch keine behandlungsbedürftige koronare Obstruktion vor. Betroffene Patienten erhalten häufig keine endgültige Diagnose und leiden fortwährend an ausgeprägten Beschwerden. Bei etwa der Hälfte dieser Patienten besteht eine Form der Angina pectoris, welche auf eine Erkrankung der koronaren Mikrozirkulation zurückzuführen ist (mikrovaskuläre Angina pectoris). Diese Erkrankung stellt eine enorme Belastung für Betroffene dar und geht mit erhöhten Raten an schweren kardiovaskulären Ereignissen einher. Der Identifizierung und Behandlung dieser Patientengruppe kommt daher eine besondere Bedeutung zu. Im Rahmen unseres Workshops geben wir Ihnen einen praktischen Einblick in dieses häufige, aber unterdiagnostizierte Krankheitsbild und stellen Ihnen moderne katheterbasierte Techniken und mögliche Therapieoptionen vor. Hierfür laden wir Sie herzlich zum gemeinsamen Austausch ein.

Wir freuen uns auf eine spannende Veranstaltung!

Univ.-Prof. Dr. Thomas Münzel
Univ.-Prof. Dr. Tommaso Gori

Die Veranstaltung ist mit einem Fortbildungspunkt zertifiziert und richtet sich an niedergelassene Kardiologen und Hausärzte.

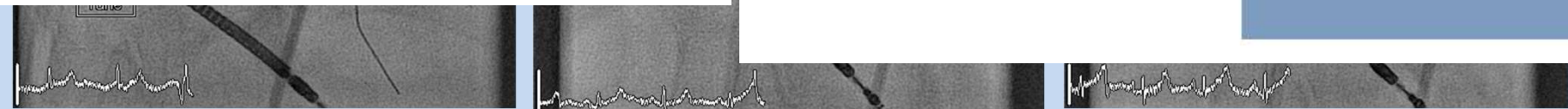
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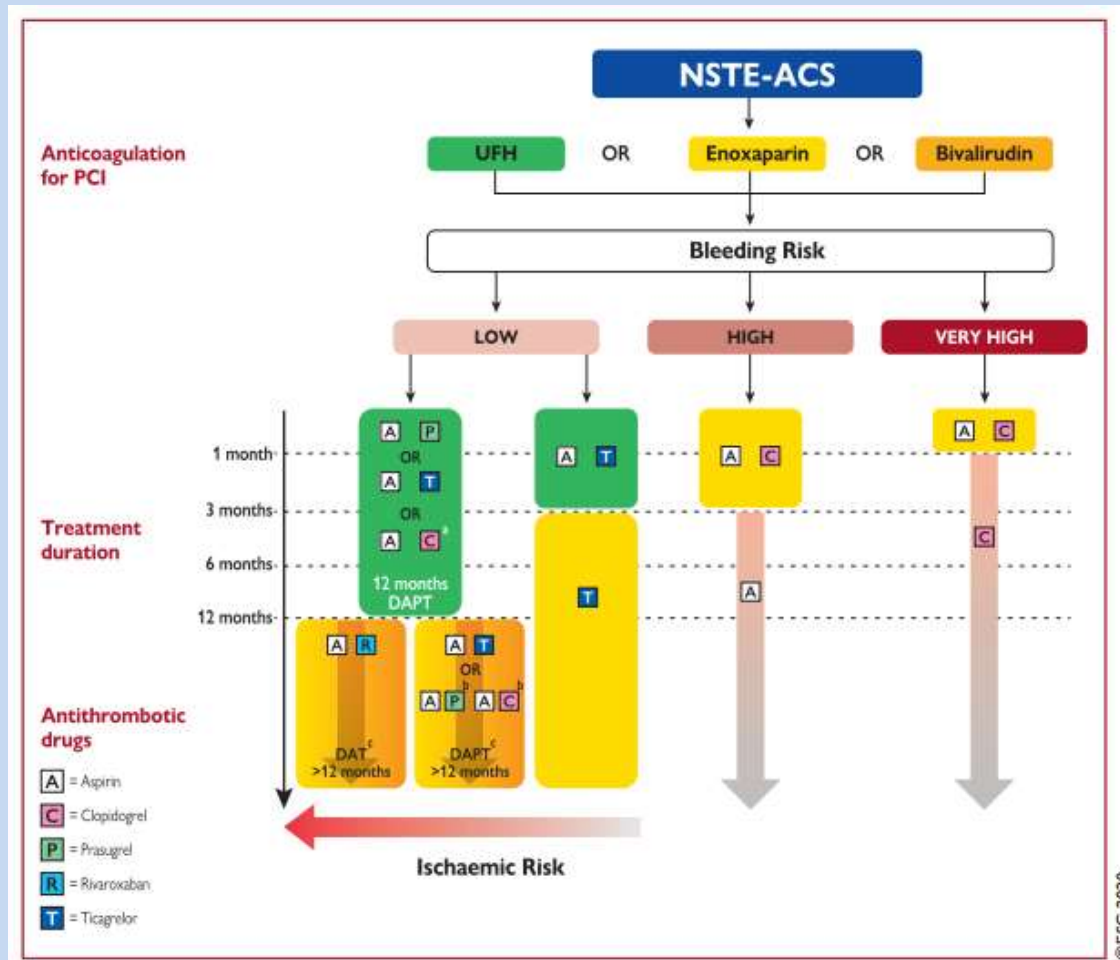
- 18.00 Uhr Begrüßung**
Univ.-Prof. Dr. Thomas Münzel
Univ.-Prof. Dr. Tommaso Gori
- 18.05 Uhr Mikrovaskuläre Angina pectoris: Das steckt dahinter**
Dr. med. Helen Ullrich
- 18.20 Uhr Live Case: Koronarangiographie mit Messung der mikrovaskulären Funktion (IMR Messung)**
Herzkatheterlabor der
Universitätsmedizin Mainz
PD Dr. med. Maike Knorr
- 18.50 Uhr Implikationen der Erkrankung, Diagnostik und Therapie**
Univ.-Prof. Dr. Tommaso Gori

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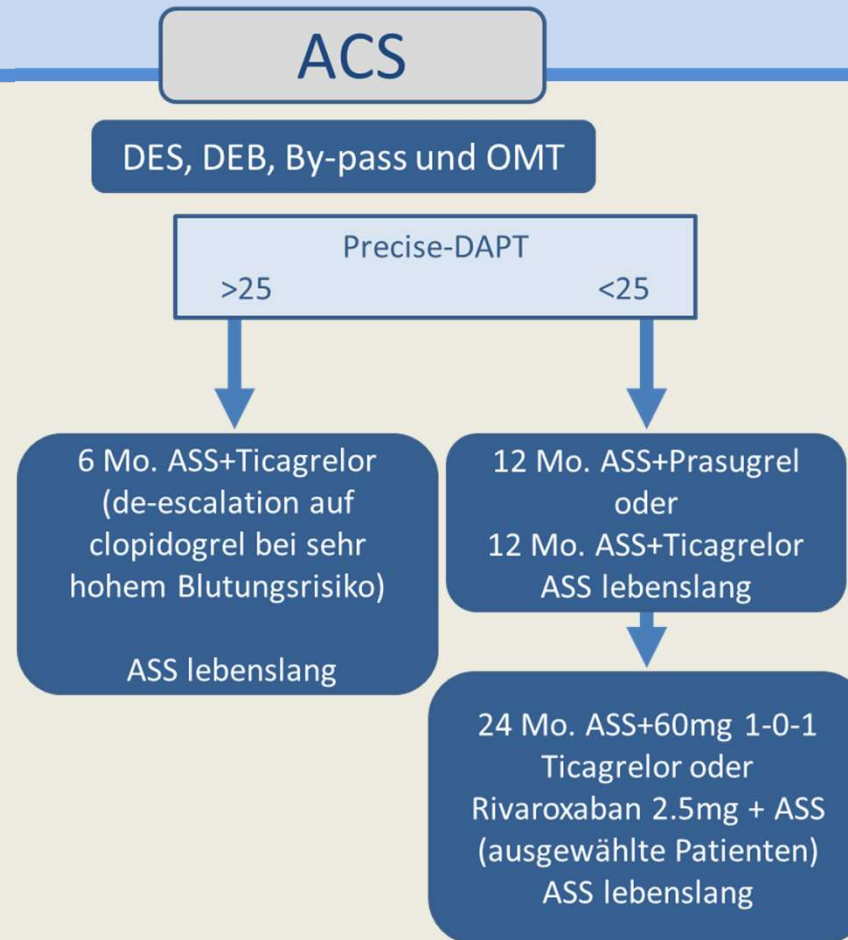
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DAPT



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Patienten mit VHF, CHADSVASC ≥ 2
(keine Daten für andere Indikationen zu Antikoagulation sind vorhanden)

ACS, Stabile Angina



ASS nach Schema +
12 Mo. Clopidogrel +
Xarelto 15mg oder
Dabigatran 110mg 1-0-1
Edoxaban 60mg oder
Eliquis 5mg 1-0-1

		Blutungsrisiko (nach PRECISE-DAPT)	
		Niedrig	Hoch
Ischämie Risiko	Zusätzlich ASS		
	Niedrig	1 Monat	0 Monate
	Hoch	6 Monate	1 Monat

Aktive Blutung

LAA Verschluss



DAPT

Conclusions

„CHEST-PAINS“ acronym

Shared decision

Multiple culprit and non-culprit lesions are frequent (40%): implications

Angiography is inaccurate for culprit diagnosis and non-culprit assessment

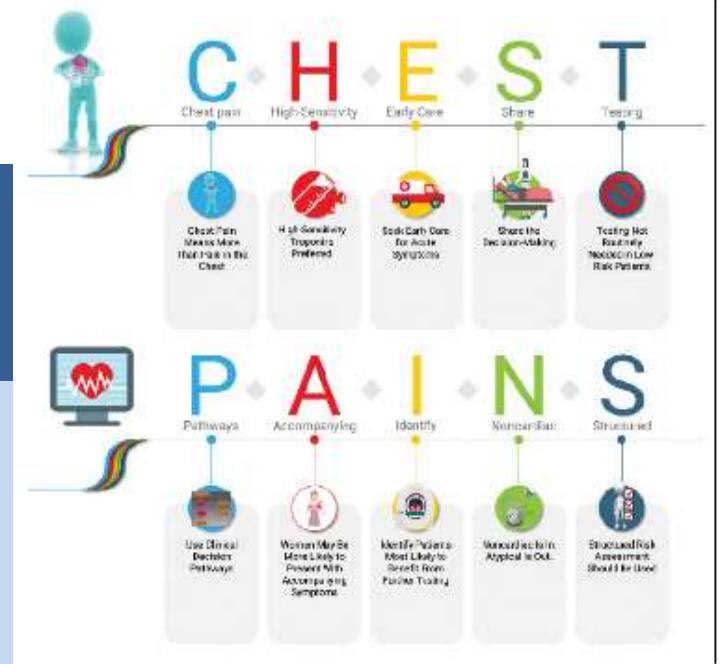
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Oculo-stenotic reflex

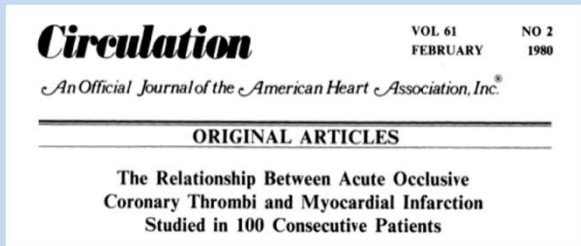
Plaque regression

MINOCA and not-so-MINOCA (OCT, FFR!)

DAPT: 12 months is not a dogma anymore

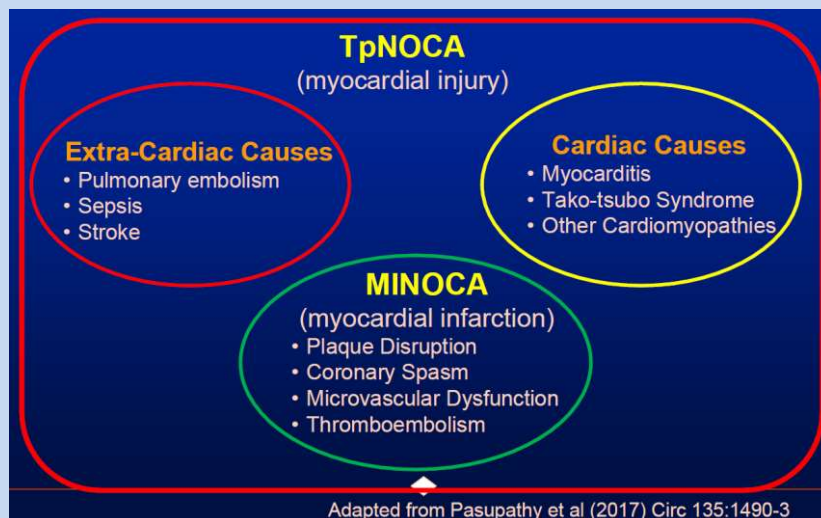


≠ MINOCA



>90% of the acute MI patients had angiographic evidence of obstructive CAD
At OCT, 80% of the other 10% have some form of CAD

Positive cardiac biomarker and corroborative clinical evidence of an AMI



The diagnosis of MINOCA is made immediately upon coronary angiography in a patient presenting with features consistent with an AMI, as detailed by the following criteria:

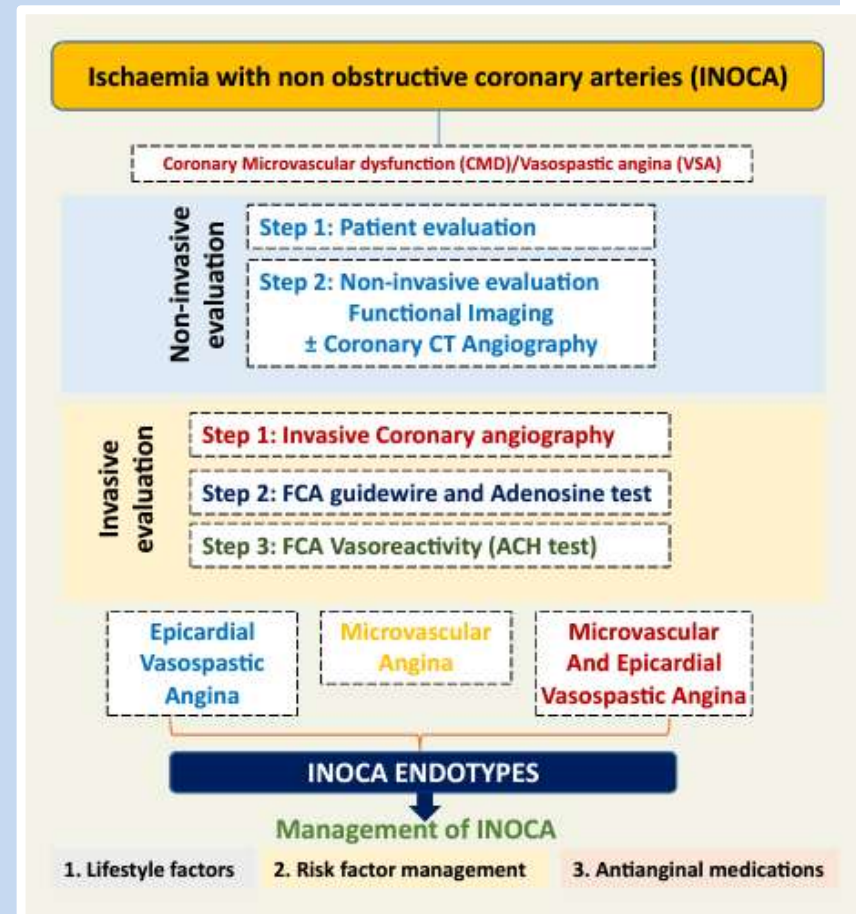
(1) Universal AMI criteria⁸

(2) Non-obstructive coronary arteries on angiography, defined as no coronary artery stenosis $\geq 50\%$ in any potential IRA

(3) No clinically overt specific cause for the acute presentation

Definition

In the setting of CCS, a mismatch of demand-supply of coronary artery blood flow may lead to transient or recurrent cardiac chest pain related to myocardial ischaemia due to inadequate cellular availability of adenosine-50 - triphosphate.



“INOCA” is a ‘working diagnosis’, analogous to heart failure



Definition

In INOCA, the mismatch between blood supply and myocardial oxygen demands may be caused by **CMD and/or epicardial coronary artery spasm**, typically in the setting of non-obstructive coronary atherosclerosis

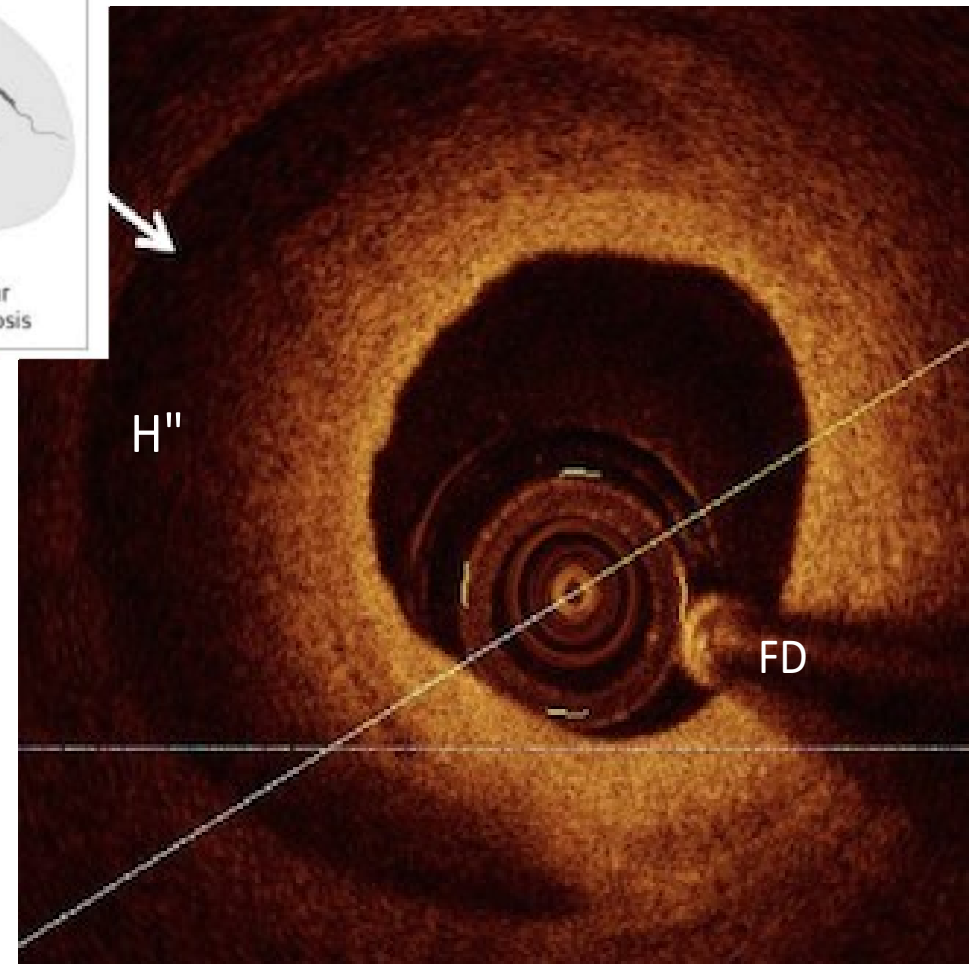
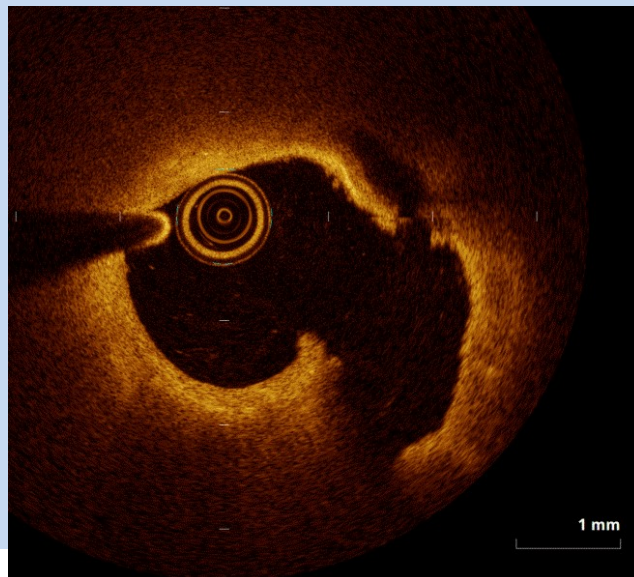
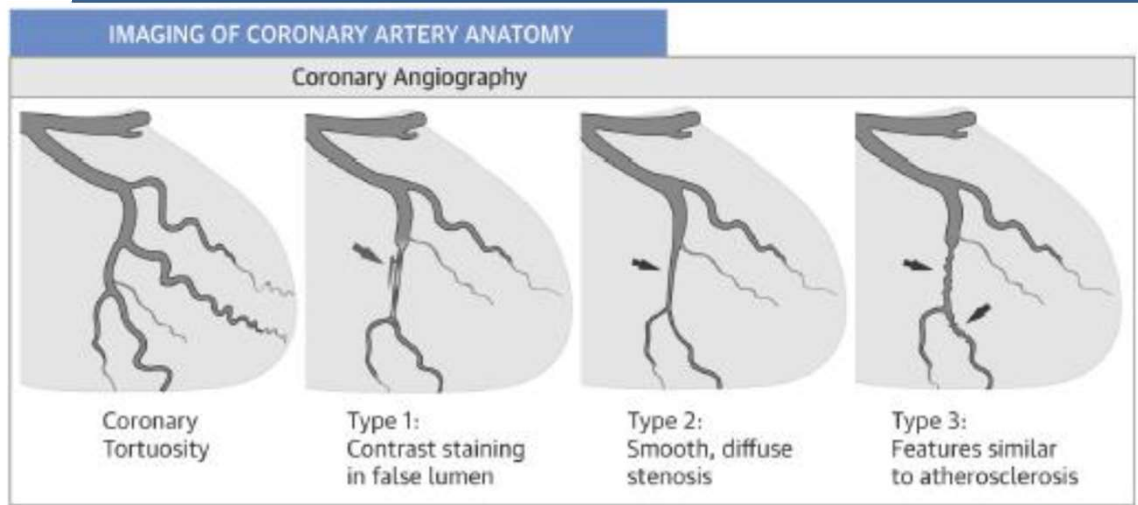


Discussion of angina

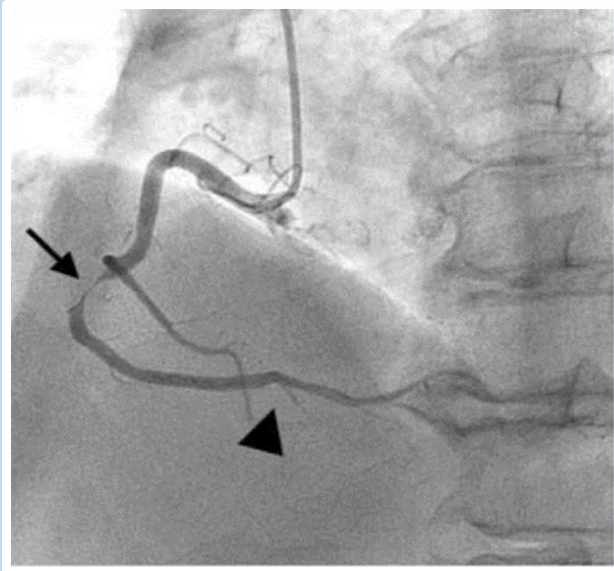
caused by CMD in the context of cardiomyopathy (hypertrophic, dilated), myocarditis, aortic stenosis, infiltrative diseases of the heart, percutaneous/surgical interventions, and other possible mechanisms⁷ (Figure 1) such as inflammation, systemic inflammatory or autoimmune disease (lupus, rheumatoid arthritis), platelet/coagulation disorders, primary metabolic abnormalities, as well as by myocardial bridging, is beyond the scope of this consensus document.



What is not (M)INOCA: erosion/dissection



Prevalence

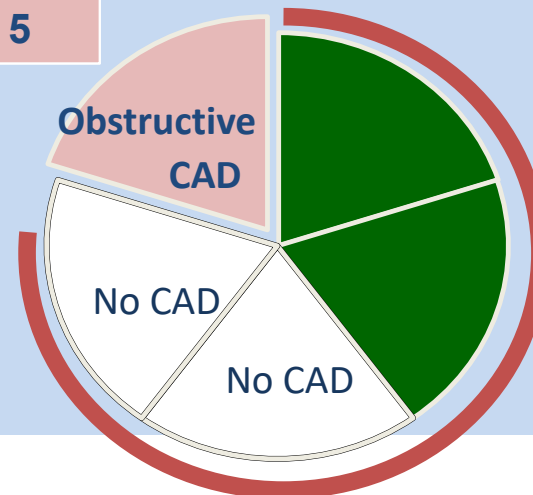


Diagnostic test e.g. CTCA

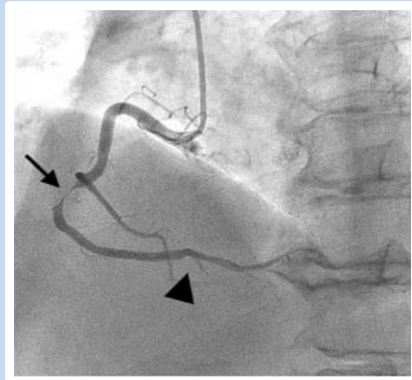
Blocked
coronary arteries

1 in 5

Stents
Bypass surgery



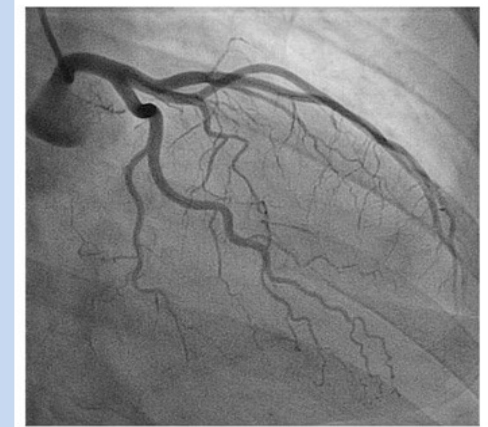
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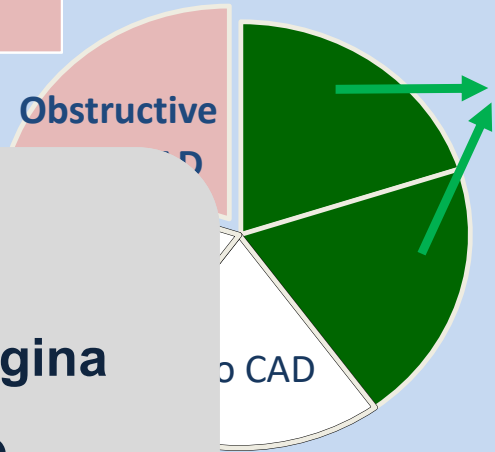
No obstructive
coronary lesions



Stents
Bypass surgery

1 in 5

2 in 5
Have other causes of
ischemia



**40% of the patients with angina
have no epicardial CAD**

Stable angina pectoris with no obstructive coronary artery disease is associated with increased risks of major adverse cardiovascular events

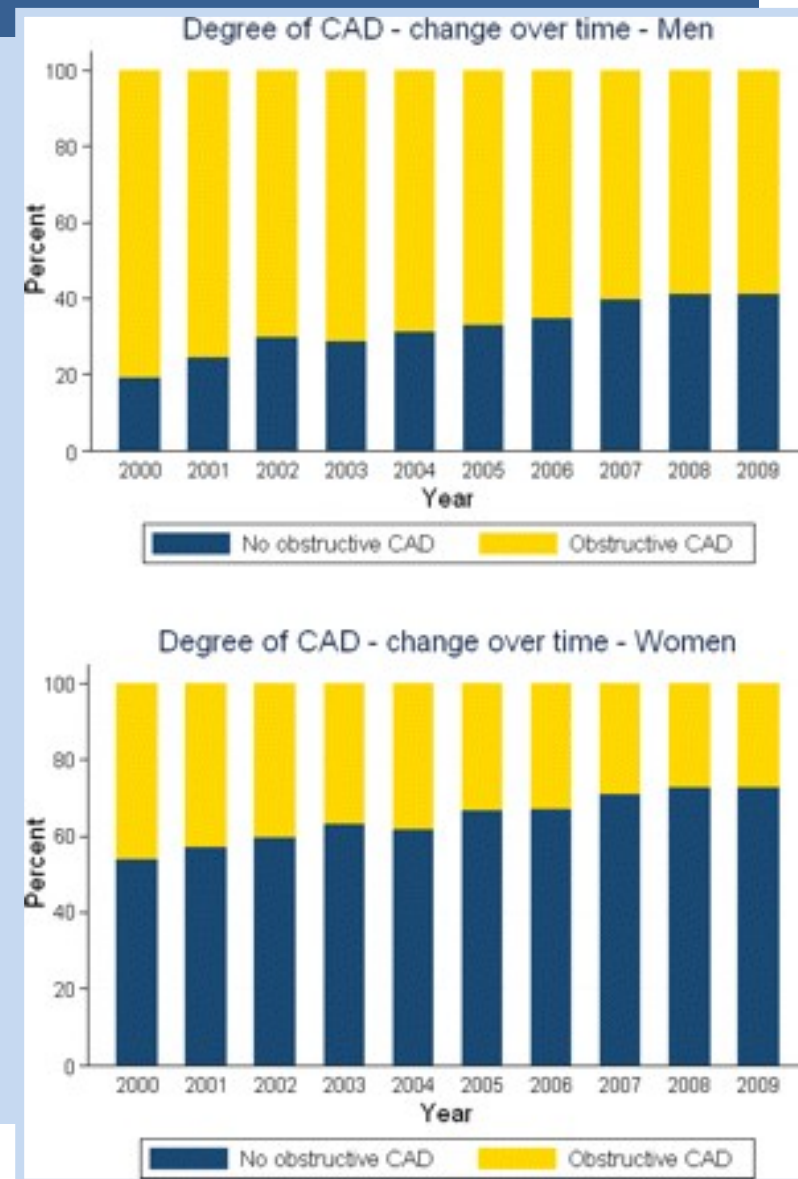
Lasse Jespersen^{1*}, Anders Hvelplund^{2,3}, Steen Z. Abildstrøm¹, Frants Pedersen⁴, Søren Galatius³, Jan K. Madsen³, Erik Jørgensen⁴, Henning Kelbæk⁴, and Eva Prescott^{1,5}

Patient characteristics: sex

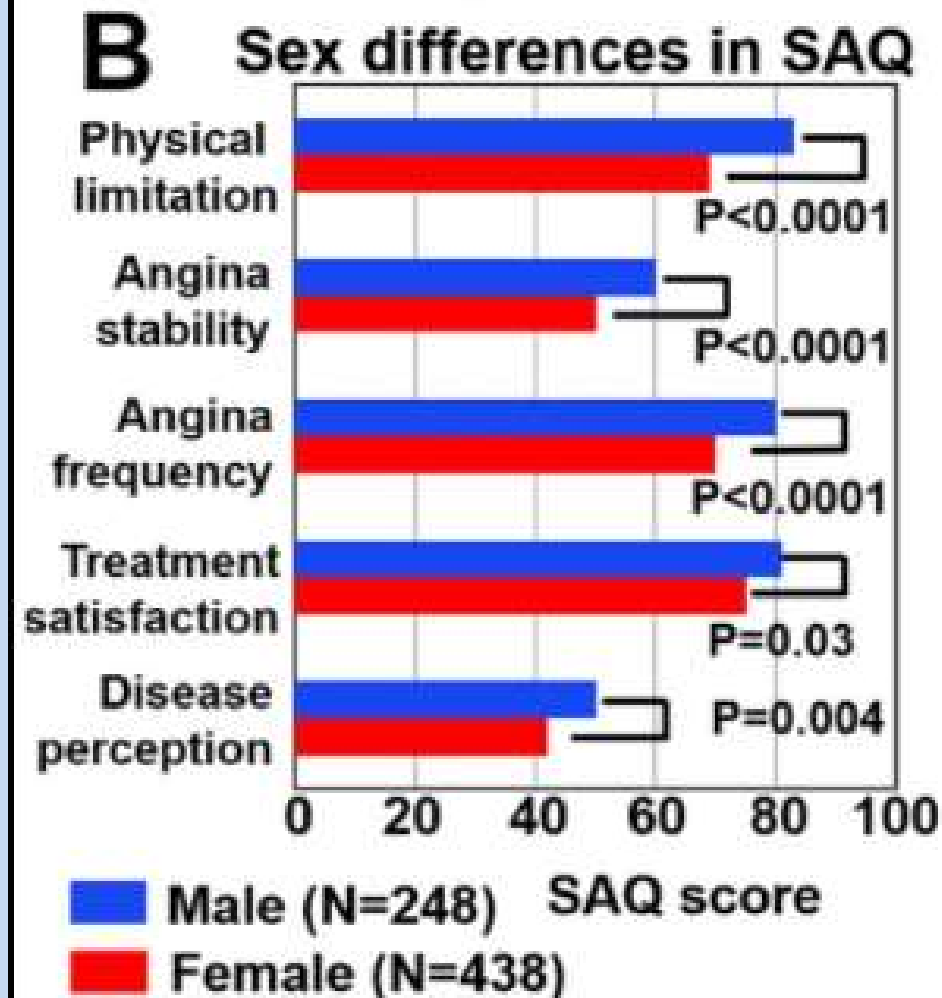
Patients suspected of stable angina pectoris frequently have no obstructive CAD, i.e. 65% women compared with 32% of men with an increasing trend over time.

(not when adjusted for age, BMI, diabetes, smoking, lipid-lowering or antihypertensive medication) - This probably reflects a lowering of the threshold for CAG.

11 223 patients referred for coronary angiography (CAG) in 1998–2009, 5705 controls (CCHS)



What about quality of life?



Of the 686 patients,

59% had objective evidence of myocardial ischemia during non-invasive stress testing.

What about prognosis?

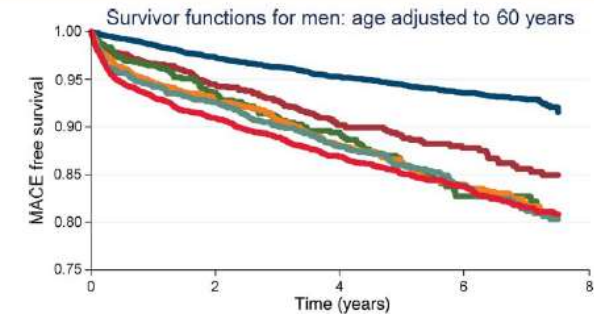
Normal coronary arteries and diffuse non-obstructive CAD were associated with **52 and 85% increased risk of MACE** and with **29 and 52% increased risk of all-cause mortality**, respectively, with no differences between men and women. For both men and women, a graded increase in risk of future MACE and all-cause mortality with increasing levels of CAD was demonstrated.

Table 2 Hazard ratios (95% confidence interval) for patients with no obstructive coronary artery disease compared with asymptomatic women and men, respectively, in successively adjusted models

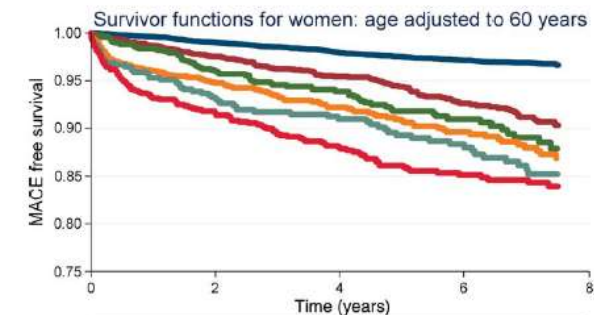
MACE	Events, n	Model 1 ^a		Model 2 ^b	
		Women	Men	Women	Men
Degree of CAD	Women/men				
Reference population	302/256	—	—	—	—
Normal coronary arteries	156/127	1.34 (1.08–1.66)	1.50 (1.19–1.89)	1.57 (1.21–2.02)	1.53 (1.18–2.00)
Diffuse non-obstr. CAD	87/132	1.62 (1.25–2.10)	1.79 (1.43–2.25)	1.86 (1.35–2.56)	1.87 (1.43–2.46)
All-cause mortality					
Reference population	356/298	—	—	—	—
Normal coronary arteries	105/103	0.97 (0.77–1.23)	1.30 (1.02–1.65)	1.20 (0.92–1.57)	1.44 (1.11–1.88)
Diffuse non-obstr. CAD	66/95	1.31 (1.00–1.71)	1.33 (1.05–1.69)	1.56 (1.13–2.15)	1.52 (1.15–2.01)

^aAdjusted for age.

^bAdjusted for age, BMI, diabetes, smoking status, and use of lipid-lowering and antihypertensive medication.



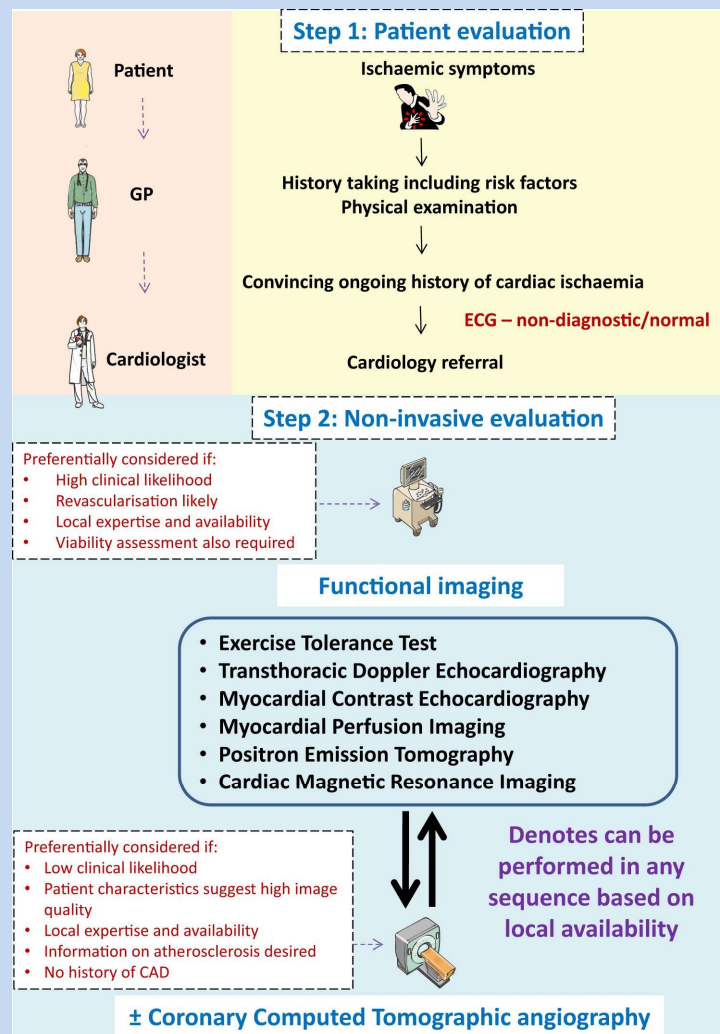
Numbers at risk	0	2	4	6
Asymptomatic	2359	2231	2101	1738
Normal CA	1214	854	597	367
DiF. non-obstr. CAD	869	557	362	174
1VD	1475	1072	783	474
2VD	1105	806	583	342
3VD	1783	1312	984	632



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Asymptomatic	3346	3213	3044	2600
Normal CA	2237	1597	1155	721
DiF. non-obstr. CAD	809	527	336	187
1VD	777	567	411	252
2VD	377	274	209	143
3VD	471	333	256	161

Figure 3 Major adverse cardiovascular event-free survivor functions for men and women. Age adjusted to 60 years. VD, vessel disease (indicates $\geq 50\%$ stenosis).

How to study these patients (non-invasive)



- **TTE:** Blood flow velocity (LAD)
- **MRT:** Myokardial Perfusions index (rest and vasodilator-stress first-pass myocardial perfusion study, each following the injection of a gadolinium-based contrast agent)
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Methods	PRO	CONS
TTDE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low cost • Lack of ionizing radiation • Potentially broad access • Good reproducibility and validity against invasive measures • Proven predictive of adverse outcome 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires extensive training • More feasible on LAD, less satisfactory on the other arteries
MCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of ionizing radiation • Potentially broad access 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No clinical validation • Rare but severe adverse reactions are reported to some ultrasound contrast agents
PET	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-validated, accurate and reproducible • High-sensitivity, spatial resolution, reduced radiation dose with new generation machines • Proven predictive of adverse outcome 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Less availability • Costly • Ionizing radiation
MRI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better availability than PET • Less expensive than PET • High spatial and temporal resolution • Lack of ionizing radiation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dark rim artefacts in the sub-endocardium need to be differentiated from true perfusion defects • Lacks validation and reproducibility studies
CCTA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anatomical test • High sensitivity for coronary artery disease • High sensitivity for coronary atherosclerotic plaque 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lacks information on coronary vasomotion • Ionising radiation exposure • Needs for heart rate control and beta-adrenergic blockade • False negative results
CT-derived CFR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opportunity to combine accurate anatomic and functional assessments of both the myocardium and the coronary arteries 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High effective radiation dose • Increased contrast medium dose • Needs for heart rate control and beta-adrenergic blockade • Required further clinical validation • Ionizing radiation • Lacks evidence from randomised trials

Diagnosis

Table 1 Diagnostic criteria for microvascular angina

Criteria	Evidence	Diagnostic parameters
1	Symptoms of myocardial ischaemia ^a	Effort or rest angina Exertional dyspnoea
2	Absence of obstructive CAD (<50% diameter reduction or FFR >0.80) Not necessarily!	Coronary CTA Invasive coronary angiography
3	Objective evidence of myocardial ischaemia ^b	Presence of reversible defect, abnormality <u>or flow reserve</u> on a <u>functional imaging test</u>
4	Evidence of impaired coronary microvascular function	Impaired coronary flow reserve (cut-off <2.0), invasive or noninvasively determined Not alone! Coronary microvascular spasm, defined as reproduction of symptoms, ischaemic ECG shifts but no epicardial spasm during acetylcholine testing Abnormal coronary microvascular resistance indices (e.g. IMR ≥ 25)

Definitive microvascular angina is only diagnosed if criterias 1, 2, 3 and 4 are present.

CAD, coronary artery disease; CCTA, coronary computed tomographic angiography; ECG, electrocardiogram; FFR, fractional flow reserve; IMR, index of microcirculatory resistance.

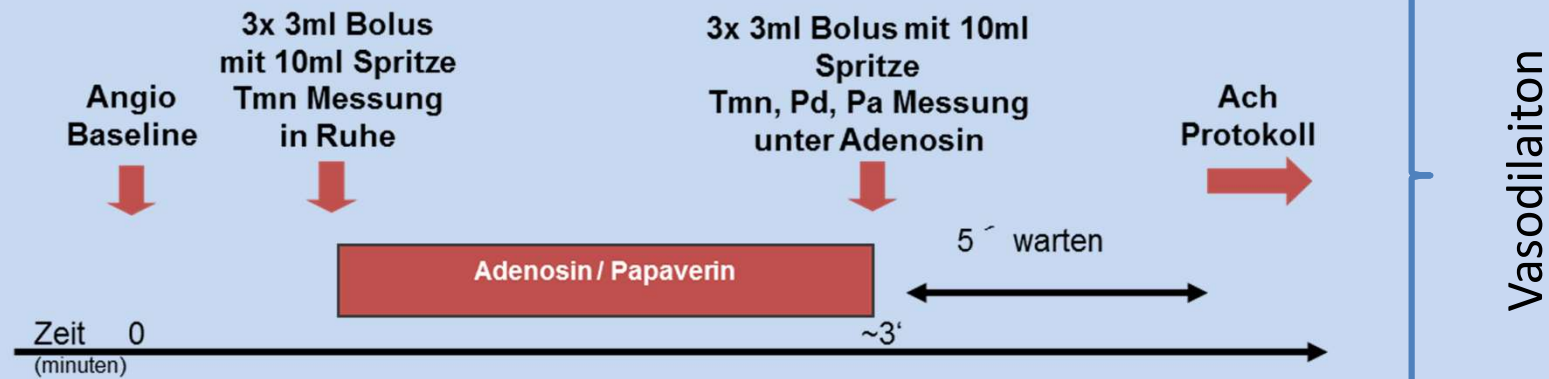
^aMany patients with heart failure with preserved ejection fraction would fulfil these criteria: dyspnoea, no obstructive CAD and impaired CFR. For this reason, consider measuring LV end-diastolic pressure (normal ≤ 10 mmHg) and NT-proBNP normal <125 pg/mL.¹⁶

^bSigns of ischaemia may be present but are not necessary. However, evidence of impaired coronary microvascular function should be present.

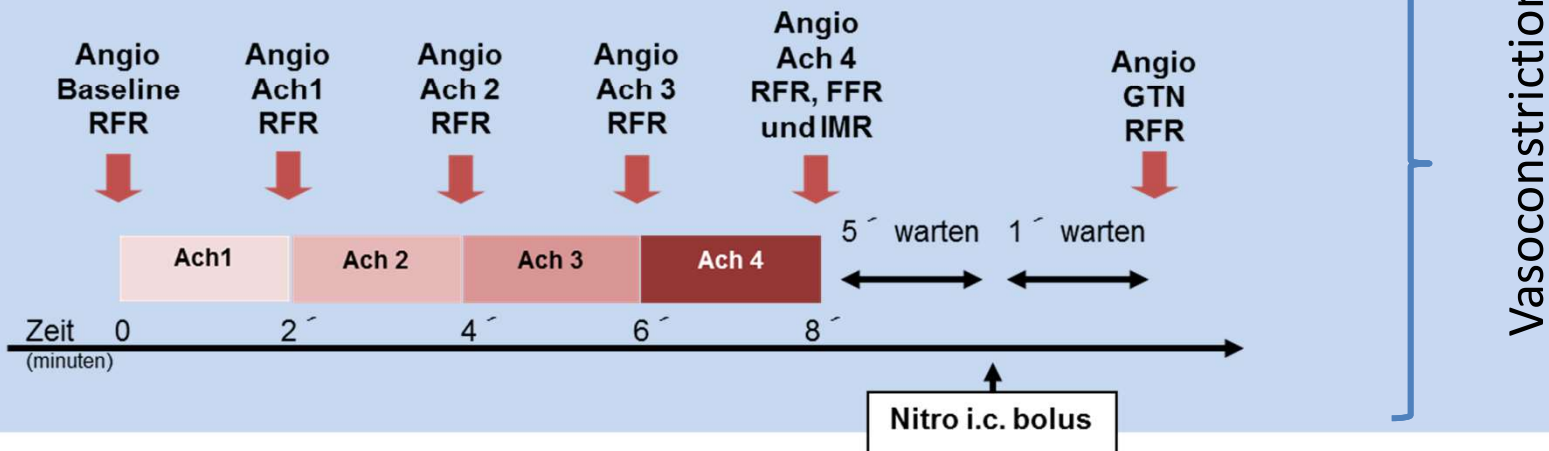


How to study these patients (Mainz protocol)

IMR Messungen:



Ach Messungen:





“Endotypes”

Diagnosis	Mechanism	Definition
Microvascular disease		
	Abnormally high microvascular resistance at rest	Coronary slow flow / Syndrome Y
	Impaired microvascular relaxation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- With microvascular disease: IMR >25 AND/OR HMR >2.4- No clear conclusion about microvascular disease: CFR <2.0 with FFR>0.80 and/or resting indexes>0.89
	Microvascular spasm	Angina during intracoronary infusion of acetylcholine with typical ischemic ST-segment changes, FFR/resting indexes normal AND IMR>25 immediately after highest dose Ach



“Endotypes”

Diagnosis	Mechanism	Definition
Epicardial disease		
	Epicardial spasm	1) reproduction of the usual symptoms AND; 2) ischemic ECG changes (1mm horizontal or downsloping ST depression OR ST elevation OR T Wave inversion AND; 3) >75% vasoconstriction on angiography AND FFR<0.80 OR resting indexes<0.89
	Obstructive epicardial disease	FFR <0.80 Contrast FFR <0.83 Resting indexes <0.89



Abnormal resistances – abnormal vasodilation



How to study these patients (Mainz protocol)

Diagnoses (51 J.a. W)

1. Chest pain CCS III, severe limitation of life quality.

Dobutamine-Echocardiography: no regional abnormality, appearance of negative T-waves in III, aVF, V4-V6

2. Symptomatic ventricular extrasystole (2 morphologies, predominant LVOT), VES burden 14%

Therapy with β -Blocker and Flecainide

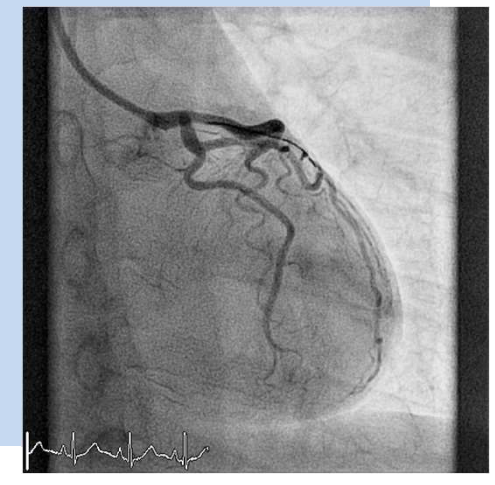
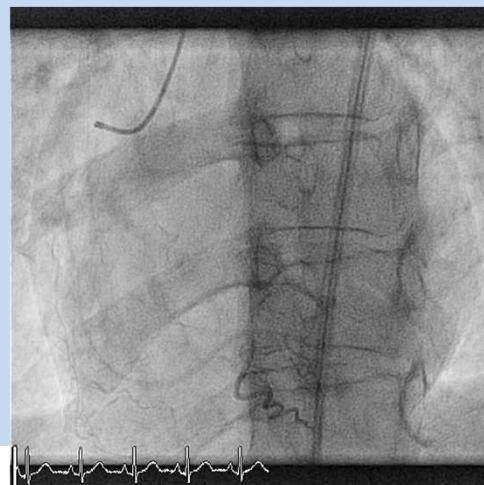
3. Unsuccessful Ablation, intraprocedural Tamponade 2019

4. Currently good LVEF (58% with small posterolateral scar)

5. Asthma

6. Anorexia nervosa

7. CVRF: none



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Diagnosis: severe microvascular dysfunction, no epicardial stenosis.

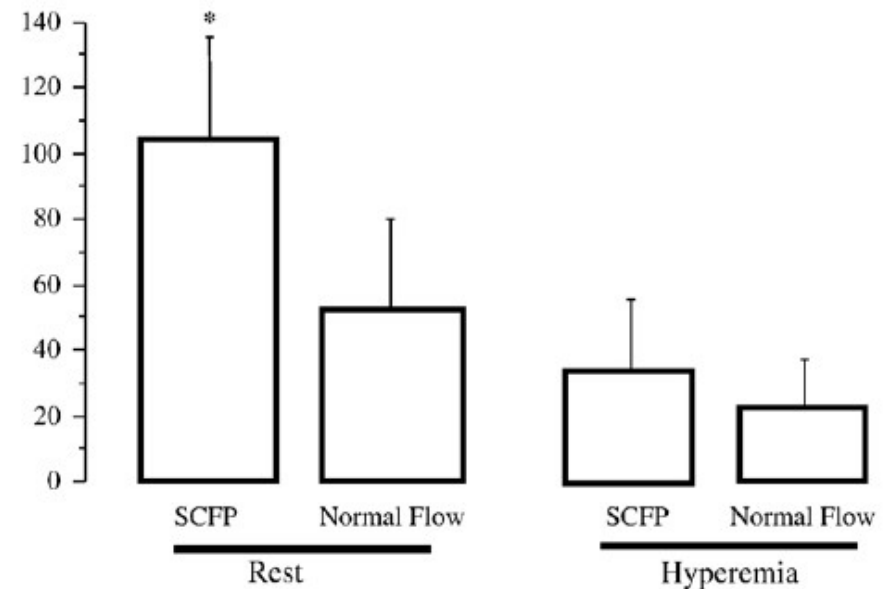
Abnormal resistances – abnormal vasodilation

Endotype	Diagnosis: Coronary vasomotion disorder	Stratified medical therapy
Microvascular angina	IMR \geq 25 (Microvascular resistance)	<p><u>Baseline therapy:</u> aspirin, statin and ACE inhibitor therapy in all patients. PRN sublingual GTN</p> <p><u>Antianginal therapy</u></p>
	CFR $<$ 2.0 (Coronary vasorelaxation)	<p>1st Line – Beta blocker (e.g. nebivolol 2.5mg OD or carvedilol 6.25mg BD uptitrated)</p>
		<p>2nd Line - Calcium channel blockers (CCB) substituted (Non DHP e.g. verapamil 40mg BD uptitrated) - where β-blockers are not tolerated or ineffective.</p> <p>3rd Line – Add in therapy (avoid long acting nitrates)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •CCB - DHP (e.g. amlodipine) – only for those on beta-blockers •Ranolazine (375mg BD, uptitrated) <p>Avoid long acting nitrate unless previously established good response or co-existent epicardial spasm</p>

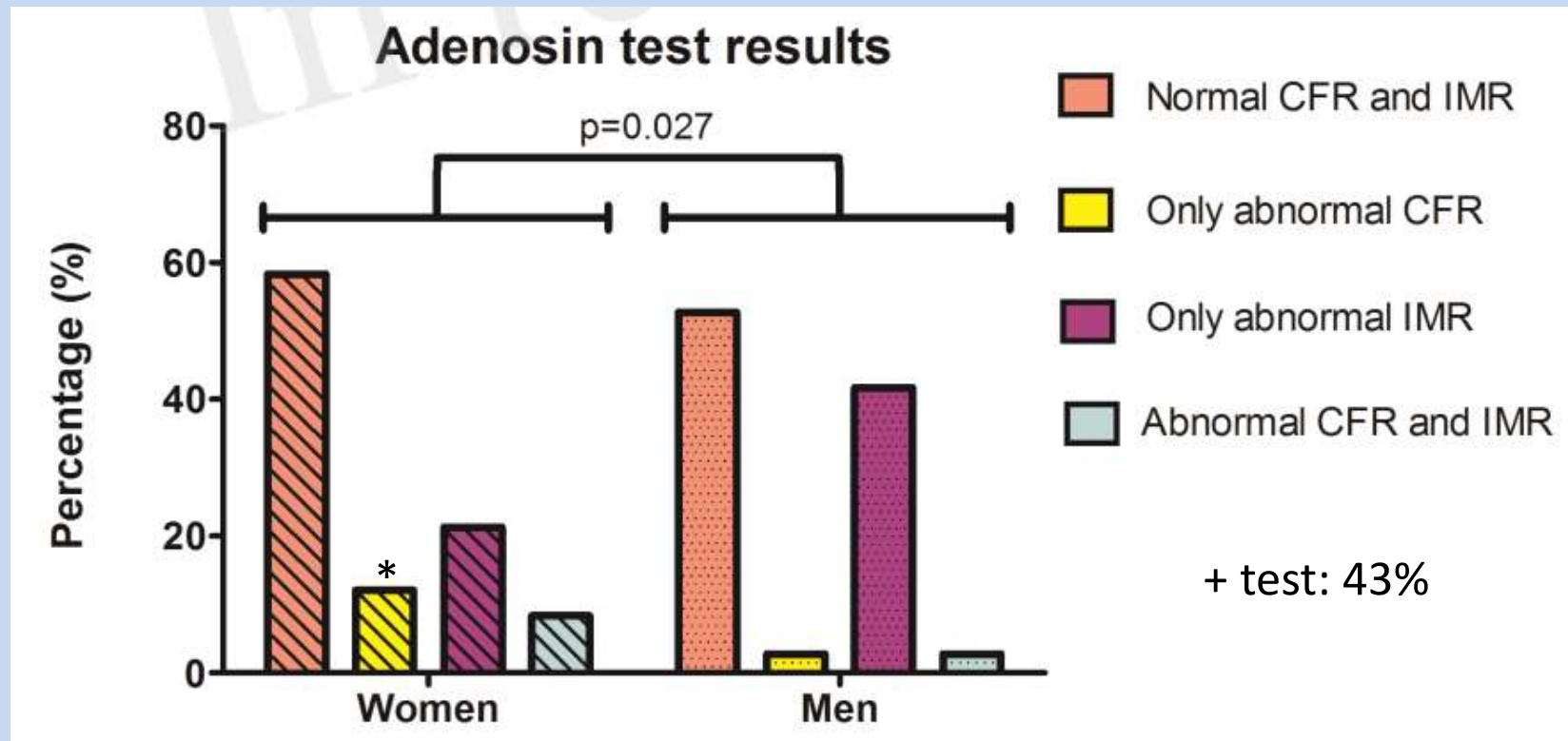
Impact of sex on baseline resistances

	Syndrome Y	Syndrome X
Patients	Young males, smokers	Postmenopausal females
Clinical presentation	Unstable angina	Stable angina
Involved mediators	Inappropriate peptide Y secretion	X
Resting resistance	↑	normal
Response to vasodilators	normal	↓

Coronary Resistances



Abnormal resistances – abnormal vasodilation



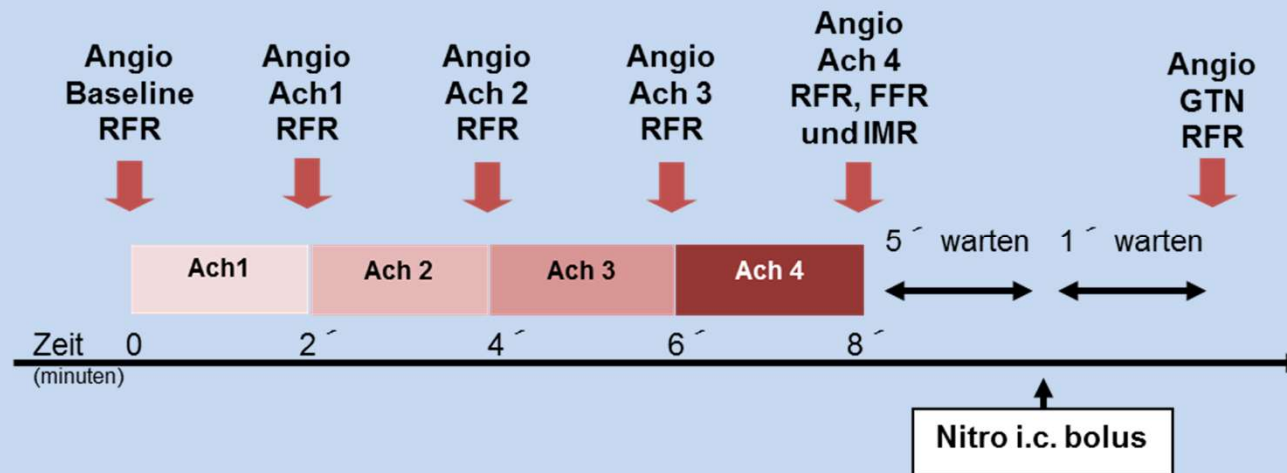
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N=38 males

Coronary spasm



Koronare 1-Gefäß Erkrankung (RCX) (61 J.a., W)

STEMI bei thrombotischem RCX-Verschluss, Reanimation bei VFib 08/2017

Implantation eines 2-Kammer ICD-Systems 08/2017 (Krankenhaus XXX)

Koronarangiographie vom 16.01.2020: Ausschluss epikardialer KHK

CVRF: arterielle Hypertonie, ex-Nikotinkonsum (40 PY)

Aktuell CCS III

Coronary spasm

Very frequent in asian populations
(up to 40%, underestimated in western countries)

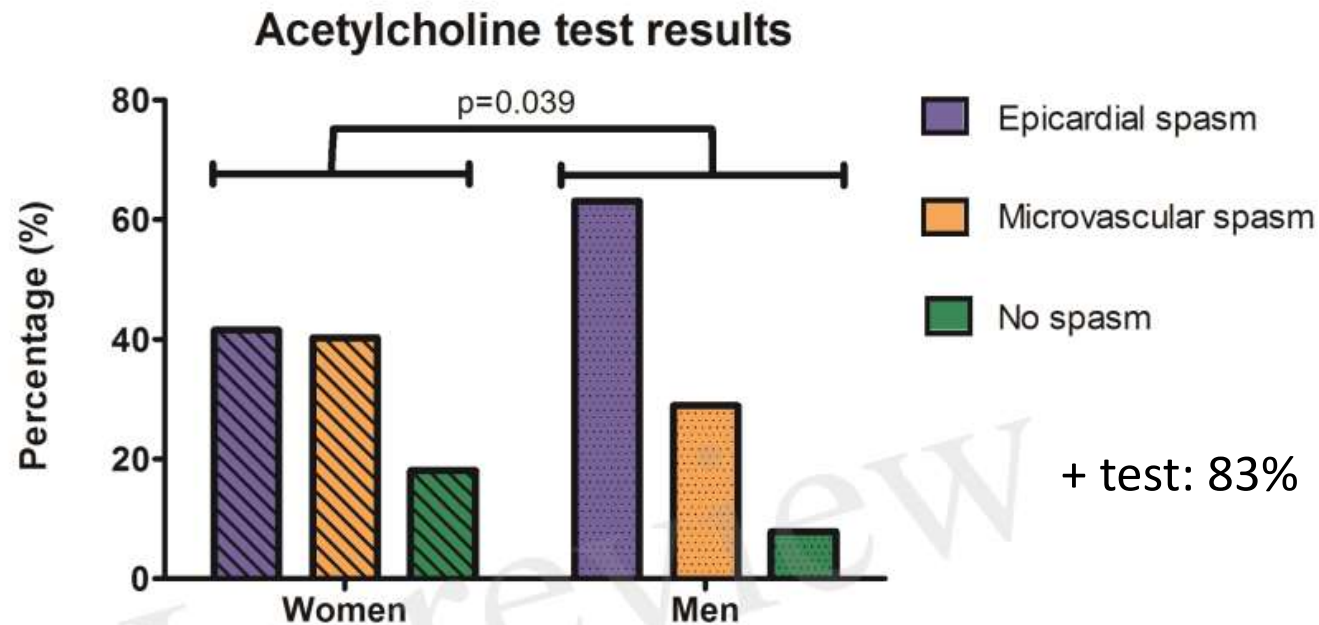
Multivessel in ~20% (versus 7% of caucasians)

Most frequent 40-70 years of age

Epicardial coronary spasm has good prognosis but can cause infarction, LV impairment and sudden cardiac death.

More frequent in women than men

Impact of sex on Ach responses



N=228 female
N=38 males

Both sexes experienced symptoms at rest or during exercise to equal extent. In females, however, symptoms were more often provoked by emotion or stress (69% vs. 37%, $p=0.001$).

FFR: 0.90 (0.87-0.93) vs 0.87 (0.84-0.91), 0.003



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	Microvascular spasm to Ach (Propensity to microvascular constriction)	2 nd Line - Calcium channel blockers (CCB) substituted (Non DHP e.g. verapamil 40mg BD uptitrated) - where β -blockers are not tolerated or ineffective. 3 rd Line – Add in therapy (avoid long acting nitrates) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •CCB - DHP (e.g. amlodipine) – only for those on beta-blockers •Ranolazine (375mg BD, uptitrated) <p>Avoid long acting nitrate unless previously established good response or co-existent epicardial spasm</p>
Vasospastic angina	Epicardial spasm (>90%)	<u>Baseline therapy:</u> If atherosclerosis or endothelial impairment, aspirin, statin and ACE inhibitor should be considered. PRN sublingual GTN <u>Antianginal Rx</u> 1 st Line – Calcium channel blocker (CCB) - e.g. verapamil 40mg BD uptitrated 2 nd Line – Add Nitrate - e.g. PETN 50mg BD-TID
Non-cardiac	Nil	Cessation of antianginal therapy. Stop antiplatelet and statin unless other indication. Consider non cardiac investigation or referral where appropriate (e.g psychological referral, gastroenterology)

Conclusions

INOCA is a heterogeneous syndrome caused by different pathophysiologic mechanisms

“INOCA” is a working hypothesis, even advanced diagnostic is often inconclusive

Impacts prognosis and quality of life

Advanced invasive diagnostics is necessary