

TAVR and Coronary artery disease

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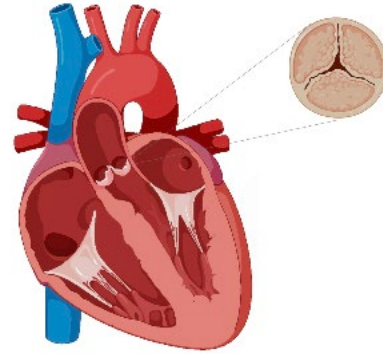
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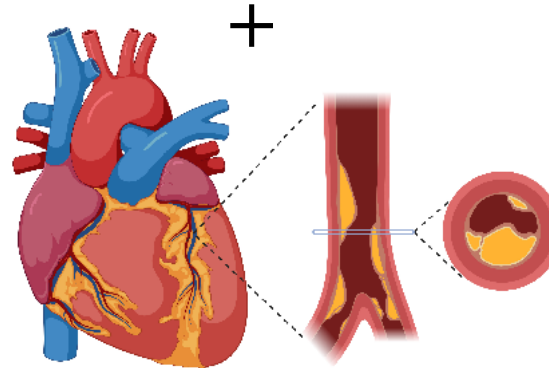
Impact of aortic stenosis on coronary anatomy and physiology

Reduced coronary perfusion pressure due to reduced stroke volume, systolic and mean arterial pressure



Upregulation of vasoactive factors, leading to **increased resting blood flow**

Reversal of normal endocardial-epicardial blood flow ratio at rest



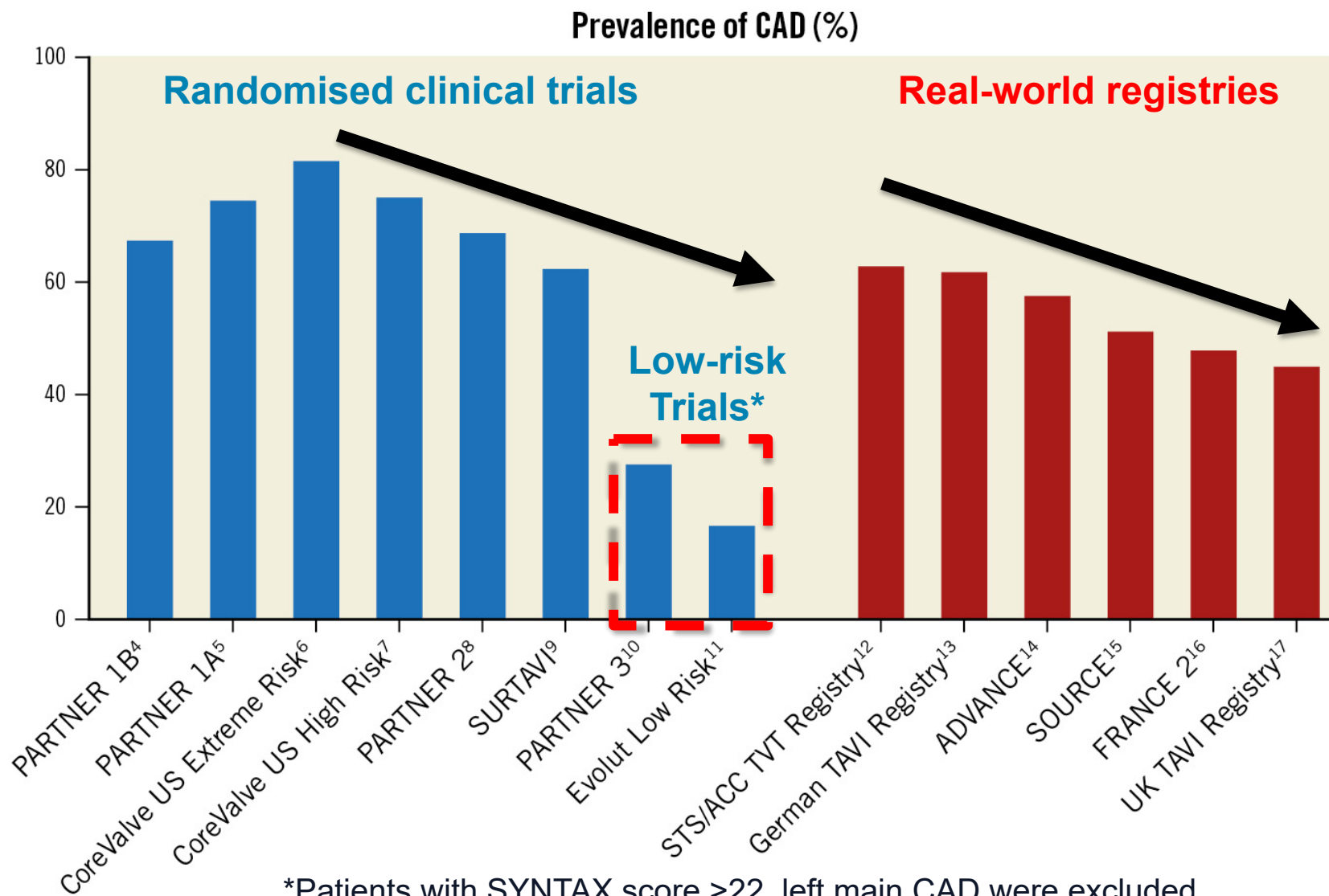
Reduced diastolic coronary perfusion phase

Increased resting diastolic backward expansion wave

Attenuated coronary flow reserve

Attenuated and delayed systolic forward compression wave of coronary blood flow

Prevalence of coronary artery disease (CAD) in patients treated with TAVR

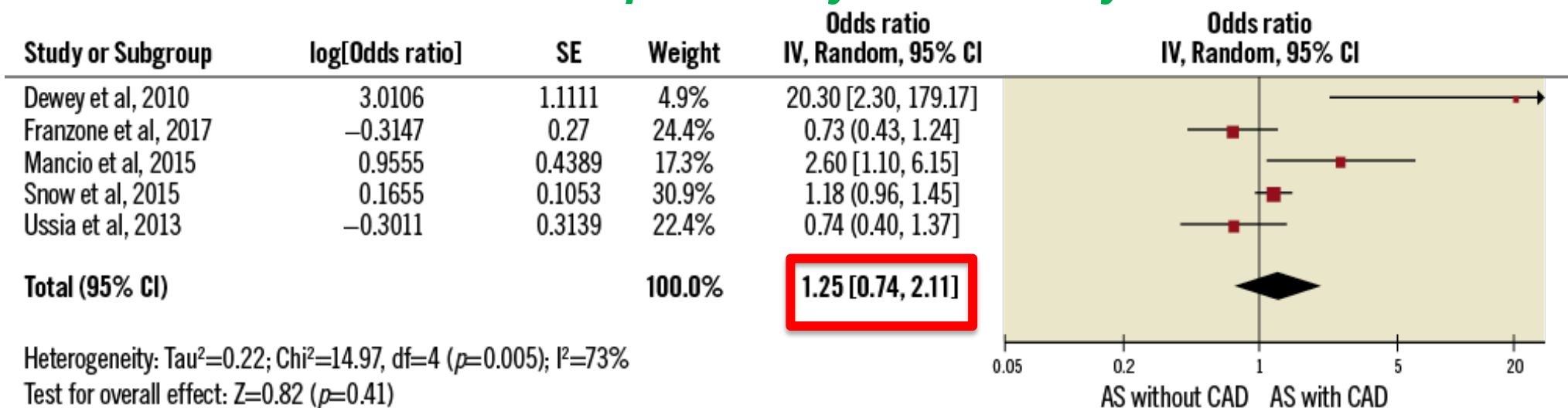


*Patients with SYNTAX score >22, left main CAD were excluded

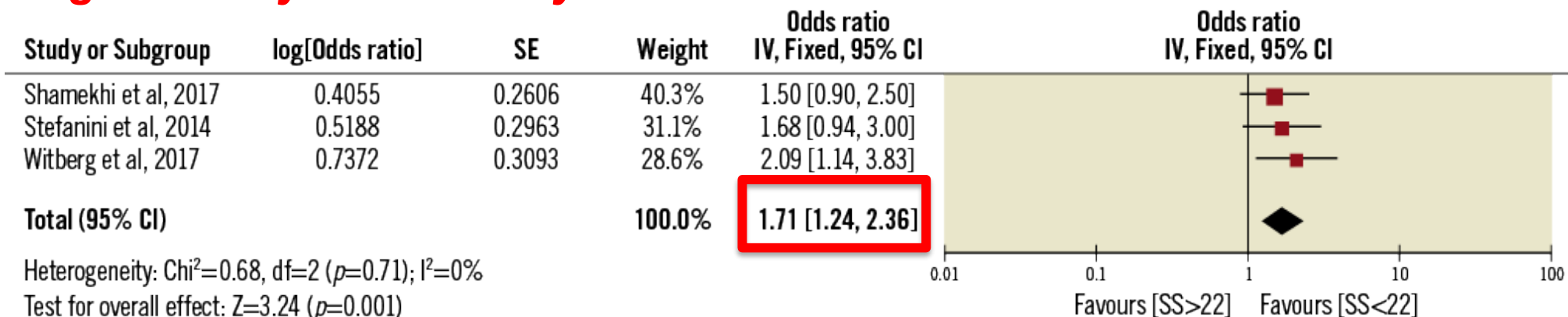
Outcome of patients undergoing TAVR with concomitant CAD

Meta-analysis of 8,334 patients from 13 studies

Presence of CAD did not impact one-year mortality



However, CAD complexity seems to matter - SYNTAX Score >22 showed higher one-year mortality



Assessment of Coronary Artery Disease in aortic stenosis



Recommendations	Class ^a	Level ^b
Diagnosis of CAD		
<p><u>Coronary angiography</u> is recommended before valve surgery in patients with severe VHD and any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History of cardiovascular disease. • Suspected myocardial ischaemia.^c • LV systolic dysfunction. • In men >40 years of age and postmenopausal women. • One or more cardiovascular risk factors. 	I	C



COR	LOE	Recommendations
1	C-EO	<p>1. In patients undergoing TAVI, 1) contrast-enhanced <u>coronary CT angiography</u> (in patients with a <u>low pretest probability</u> for CAD) or 2) an <u>invasive coronary angiogram</u> is recommended to assess coronary anatomy and guide revascularization.</p>

ICA and FFR/iFR

- Remains first approach to diagnosis of CAD for most patients
- Invasive hemodynamics can be flawed due to increased LV mass and intracavity pressure in AS

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY ANGIOGRAPHY

- **Coronary artery calcium** common in TAVR patients > limits the diagnostic performance of coronary CT angiography
- Potential utilization in patients with low surgical risk and low pre-test probability for CAD

Timing of PCI in patients undergoing TAVR

PCI before TAVR



PCI after TAVR



Disadvantages

Benefits

- Committed to DAPT prior to TAVR
- Repeated vascular access, large bore if BAV performed
- Less reliable FFR/iFR
- **Free access to coronaries**
- May increase hemodynamic stability and procedural safety of TAVR
- Reduced contrast use compared with concomitant PCI and TAVR

Disadvantages

Benefits

- Not free access to coronaries
- Repeated vascular access
- Less support of the guiding catheter
- Re-evaluation without SAS
- May increase hemodynamic stability and procedural safety of PCI
- Reduced contrast use compared with concomitant PCI and TAVR

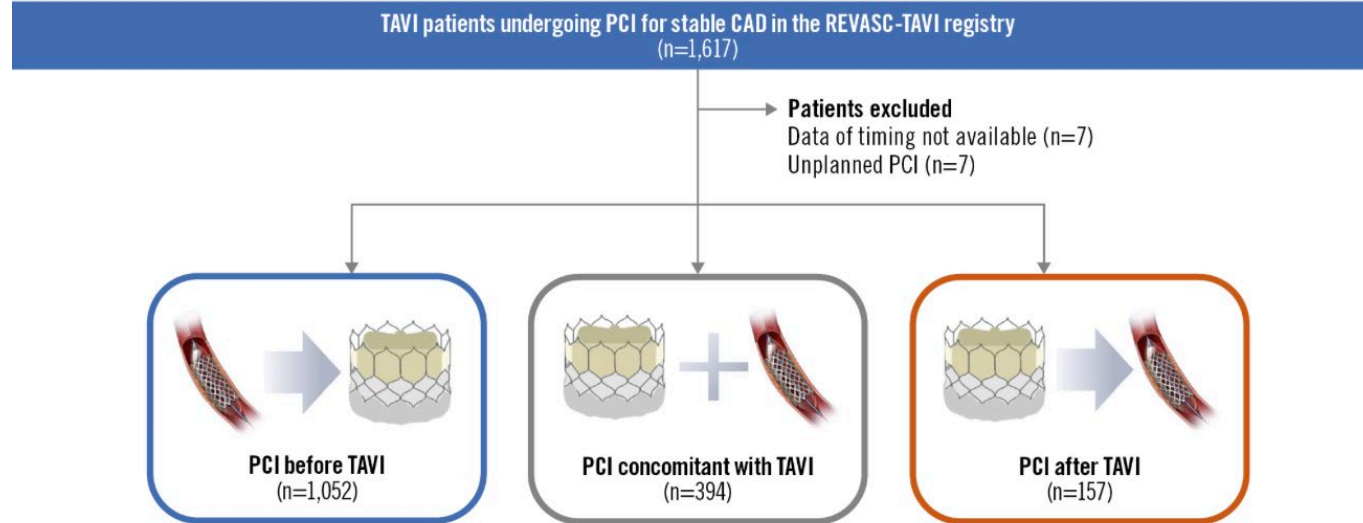
PCI before TAVR

- 1) >70% proximal (LAD - FRANCE 2)
- 2) ACS
- 3) Angina
- 4) >90% lesions

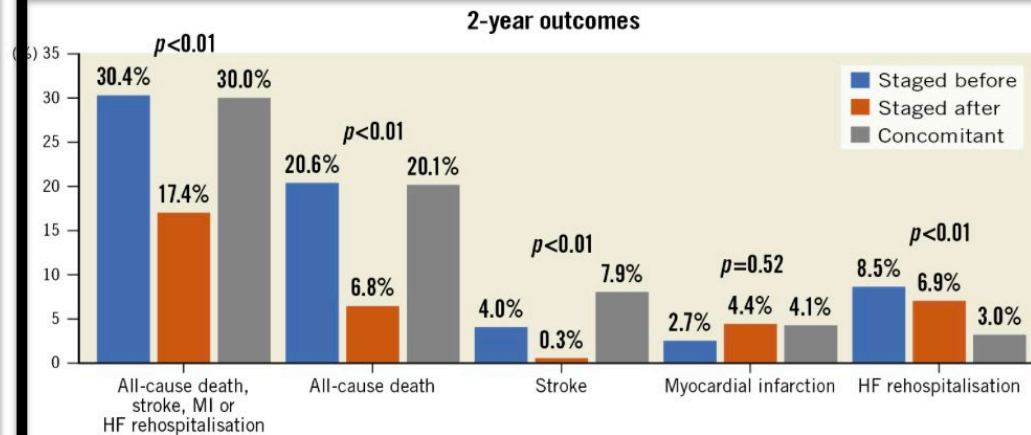
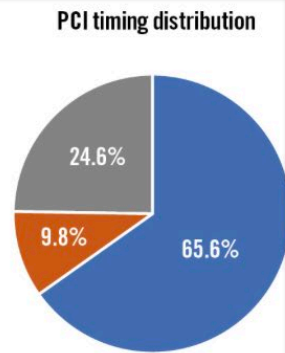
PCI after TAVR

THV choice and implantation technique should be aimed at preserving coronary access

Timing of CAD treatment in patients undergoing TAVR



- 66% of patients underwent PCI before TAVR
- 25% underwent PCI concomitant with TAVR



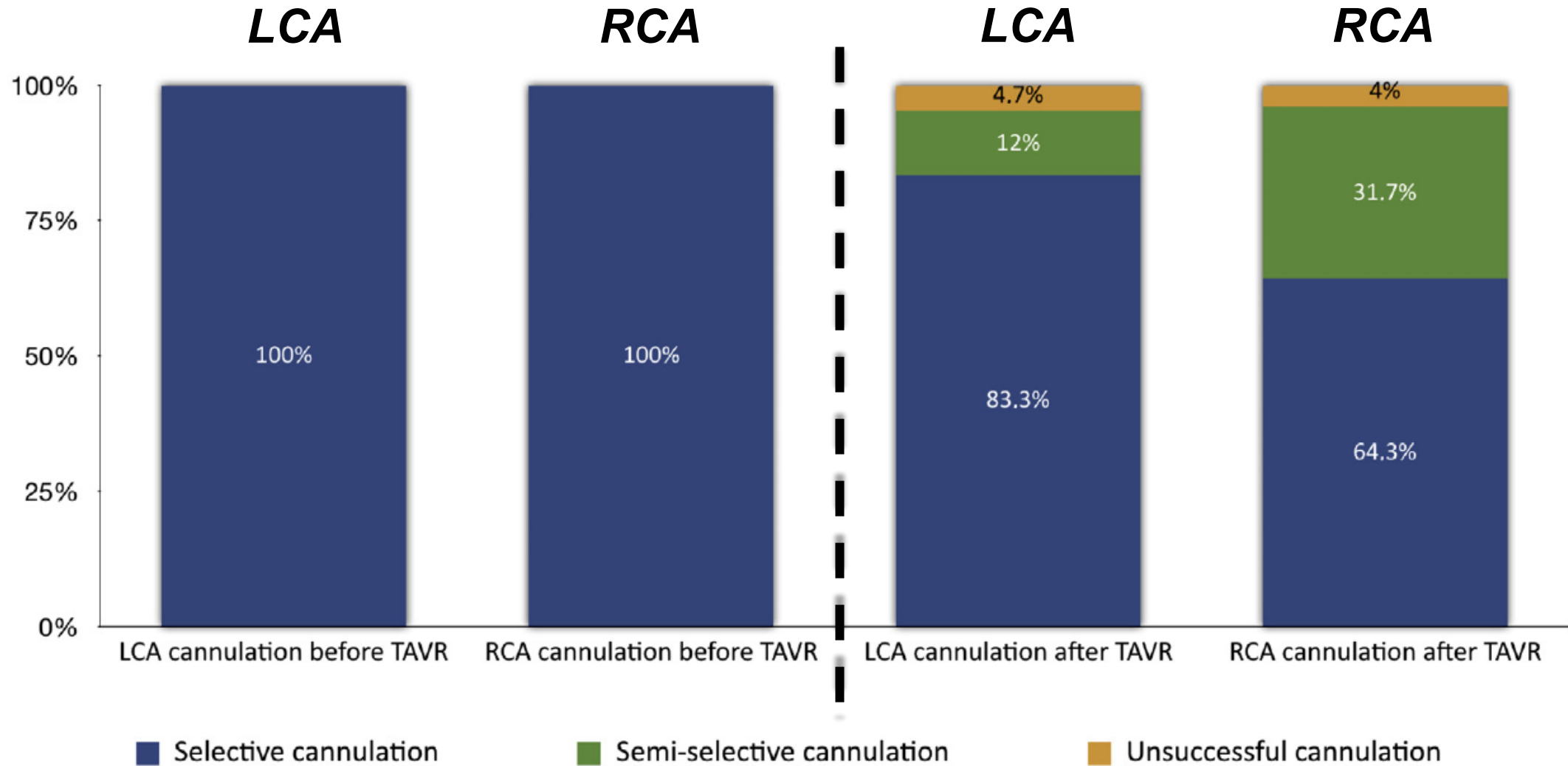
- Staged PCI was consistently linked with lower event rates

- Performance of PCI after TAVR seems to be associated with improved 2-year clinical outcomes
 - To be confirmed by RCTs

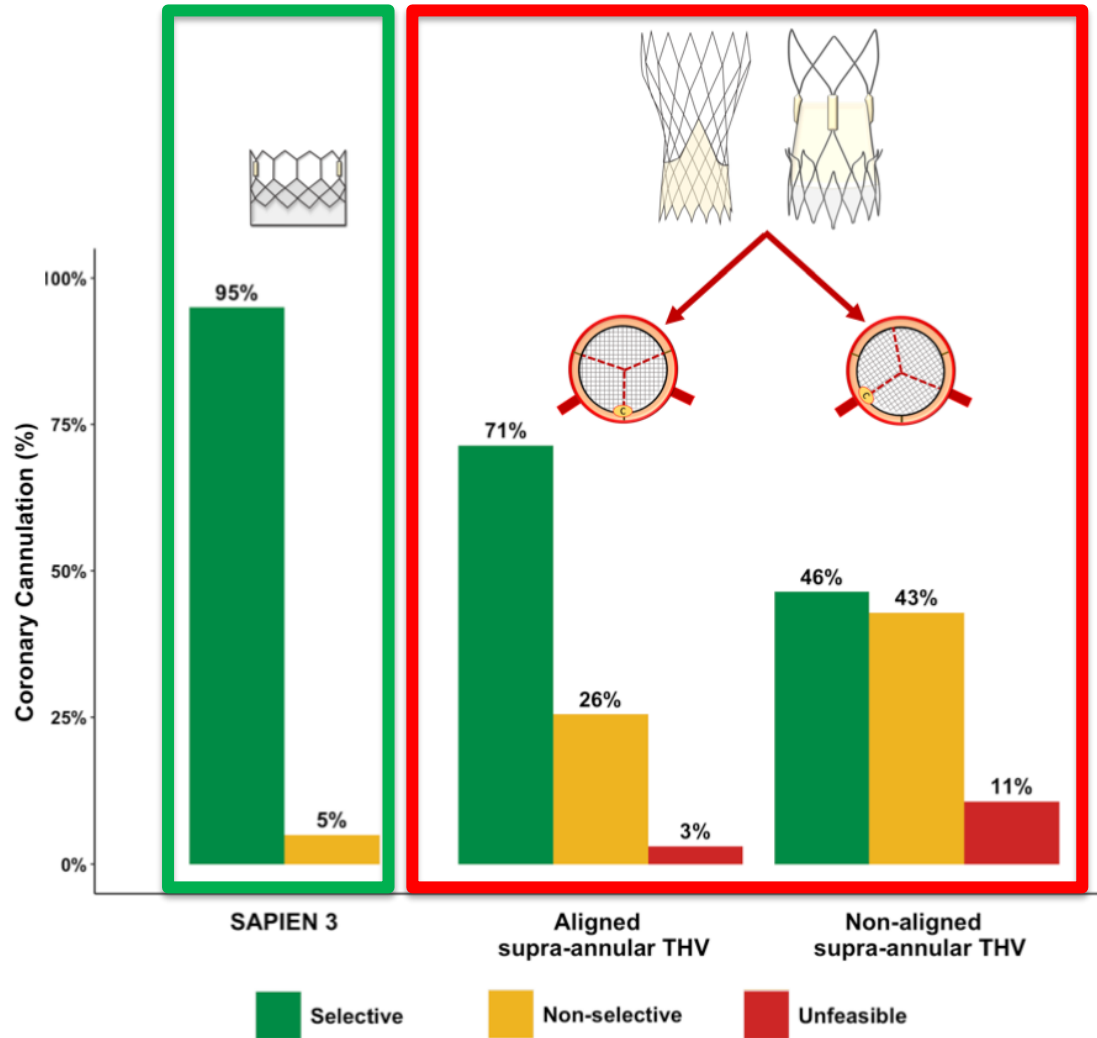
Coronary access after TAVR may be challenging

Before TAVR

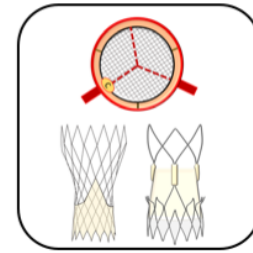
After TAVR



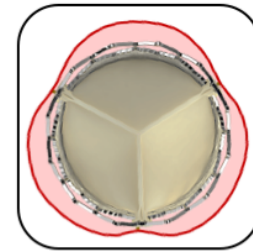
Valve alignment for coronary access after TAVR



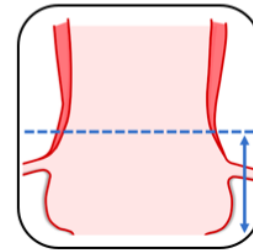
Predictors of impaired CA after TAVR



Non-aligned supra-annular THV
(OR 4.59, 95% CI 1.81-11.61, $p < 0.01$)



THV-Sinus of Valsalva relation
(OR 1.06, 95% CI 1.02-1.1, $p < 0.01$)



Sinus of Valsalva height
(OR 0.83, 95% CI 0.7-0.98, $p = 0.03$)

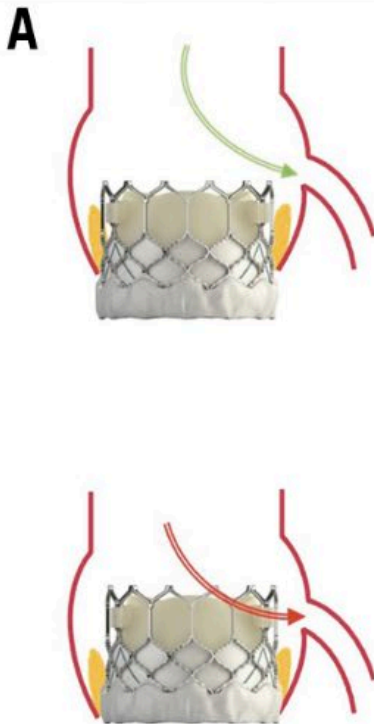
Alignment of THV matters!!

Valve choice also matters for coronary access

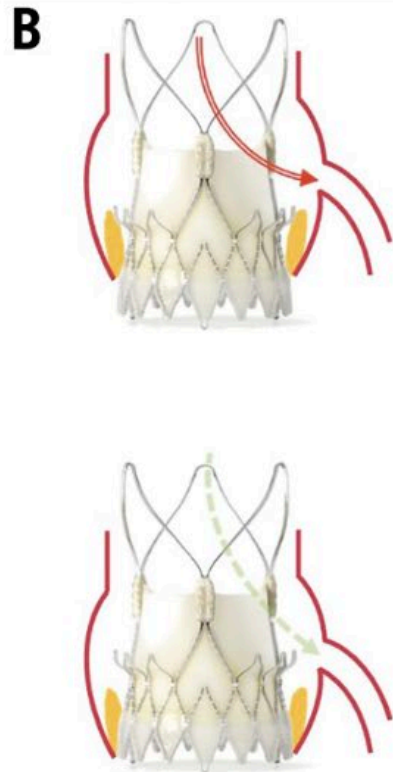
Coronary access route

- Above the stent frame
- Across the stent frame
- Via the stabilization arches
- From outside the valve frame
- Across the uncovered stent struts above the leaflet plane

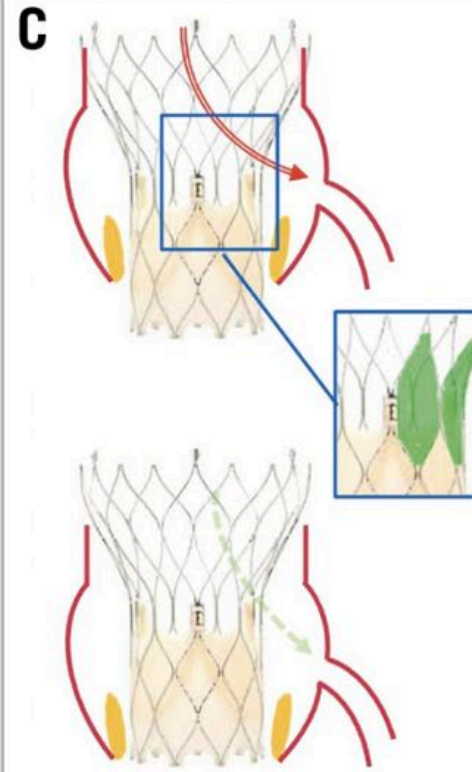
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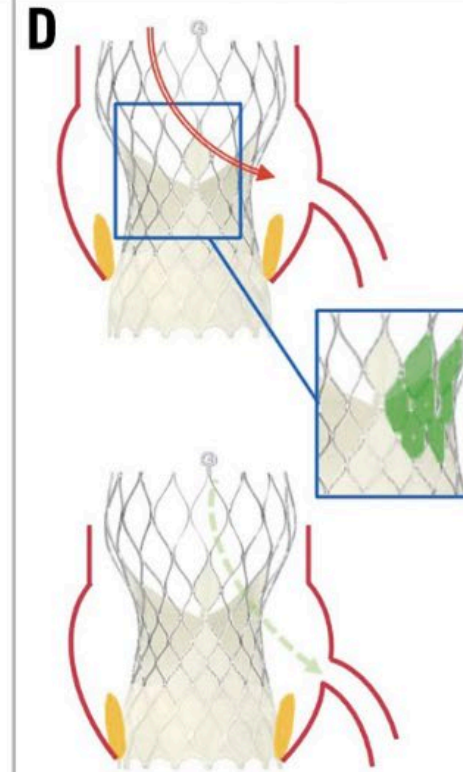
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TAVR+PCI or SAVR+CABG?



Percutaneous versus surgical treatment for patients with aortic stenosis and coronary disease. *The TCW TRIAL*

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Aims:

To investigate whether fractional-flow reserve (FFR)-guided PCI and TAVI is noninferior to combined CABG and SAVR for the treatment of severe AS and multivessel or advanced CAD.

TCW Trial Design

PATIENTS HAD COMPLEX CAD!!

Coronary Disease:

- ≥ 2 *de novo* coronary lesions of DS $\geq 50\%$ located in any of native coronary arteries ≥ 2 mm
- single LAD lesion ≥ 20 mm length or involving a bifurcation

Patients ≥ 70 years
with ***severe AS and ≥ 2 VD or complex LAD***
Heart Team discussion

Baseline

Experimental arm (n=164):
FFR-guided PCI & TAVI
PCI for all lesions FFR ≤ 0.80

1:1

Comparative arm (n=164):
CABG & SAVR

**Follow up
30 days**

Evaluation of angina symptoms:
Patients with persisting angina
with known FFR ≤ 0.85 can
undergo PCI if FFR ≤ 0.80 at FU

**Follow up
12 months**

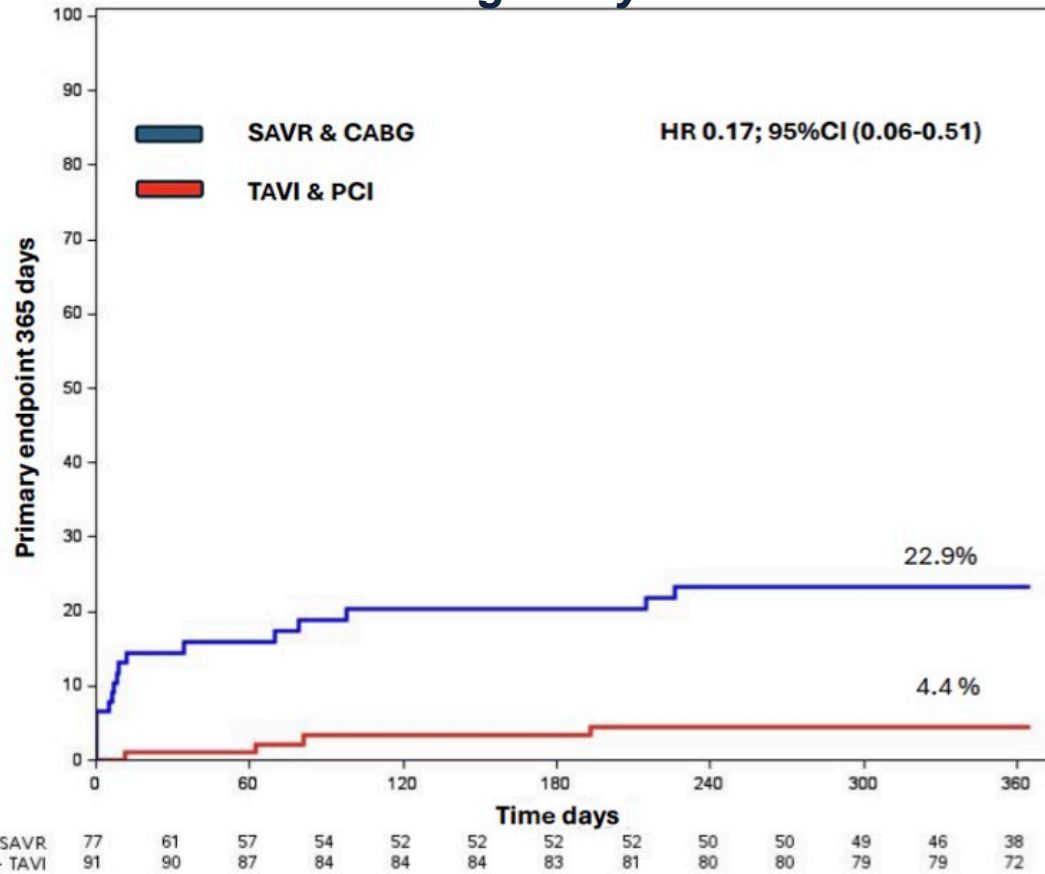
Primary endpoint: A composite of all-cause mortality, myocardial infarction, disabling stroke, unscheduled clinically-driven target vessel revascularization, valve re-intervention, and life threatening or disabling bleeding

Trial prematurely halted by the DSMB (after 50% enrolment) due to significant difference between the two treatment arms.

Outcomes after 1 year in the TCW trial

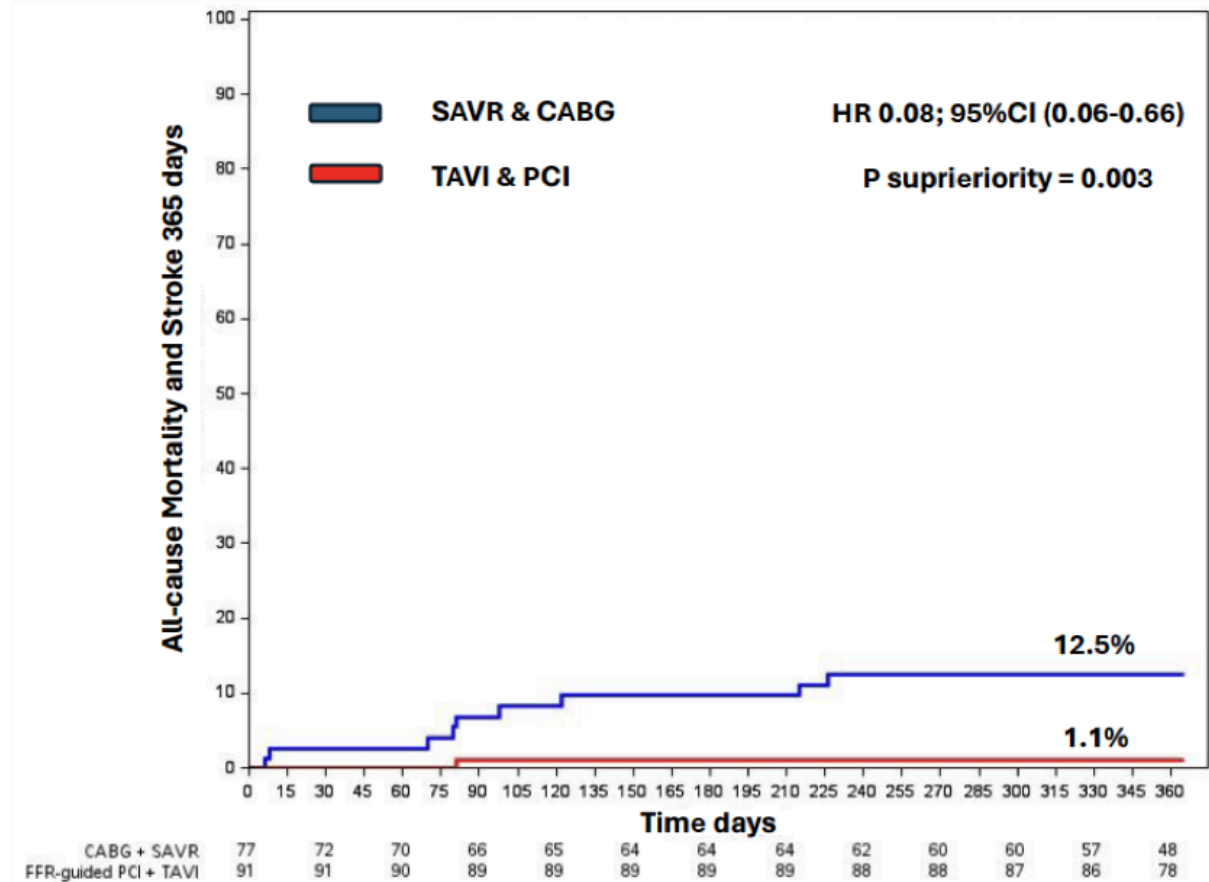
Primary endpoint:

All-cause mortality, MI, stroke, TVR, valve reintervention, and life threatening or disabling bleeding at 1 year



Secondary endpoint:

All-cause mortality and stroke



Secondary Outcomes after 1 year

	FFR-Guided PCI + TAVI (n= 91)	SAVR+CABG (n= 77)	HR (95% CI)	P value
Death – all cause	0 (0)	7 (9.74)		0.002
Death - cardiovascular	0 (0)	6 (8.35)		0.005
All Stroke and TIA	1 (1.11)	3 (4.20)	0.25 (0.03-2.45)	0.20
Disabling stroke	1 (1.11)	2 (2.85)	0.38 (0.03-4.19)	0.41
Non-disabling stroke	0 (0)	0 (0)		
TIA	0 (0)	1 (1.35)		0.27
Myocardial infarction (any)	2 (2.21)	1 (1.30)	1.58 (0.14-17.48)	0.71
Periprocedural myocardial infarction	1 (1.10)	1 (1.30)	0.82 (0.05-13.18)	0.89
Spontaneous myocardial infarction	1 (1.11)	0 (0)		0.40

	FFR-Guided PCI + TAVI (n= 91)	SAVR +CABG (n= 77)	HR (95% CI)	P value
Any revascularization	0 (0)	1 (1.30)		0.28
CD-TVR	0 (0)	1 (1.30)		0.28
Valve reintervention	0 (0)	1 (1.30)		0.28
Life threatening or disabling bleeding (VARC-2)	2 (2.21)	9 (12.10)	0.17 (0.04-0.80)	0.01
Major bleeding (VARC-2)	5 (5.56)	7 (9.21)	0.57 (0.18-1.79)	0.32
Minor bleeding (VARC-2)	12 (13.27)	4 (5.40)	2.52 (0.81-7.81)	0.10
Permanent pacemaker implantation	9 (9.89)	2 (2.87)	3.74 (0.81-17.30)	0.07
Major Vascular Complication	4 (4.40)	1 (1.35)	3.36 (0.38-30.09)	0.25
Re-thoracotomy	0 (0)	4 (5.19)		0.02
Atrial Fibrillation	2 (2.20)	11 (13.05)	0.28 (0.09-0.88)	0.03

The TCW trial showed that FFR-guided PCI & TAVI as compared to CABG & SAVR was associated with significantly lower primary endpoint and mortality rates.

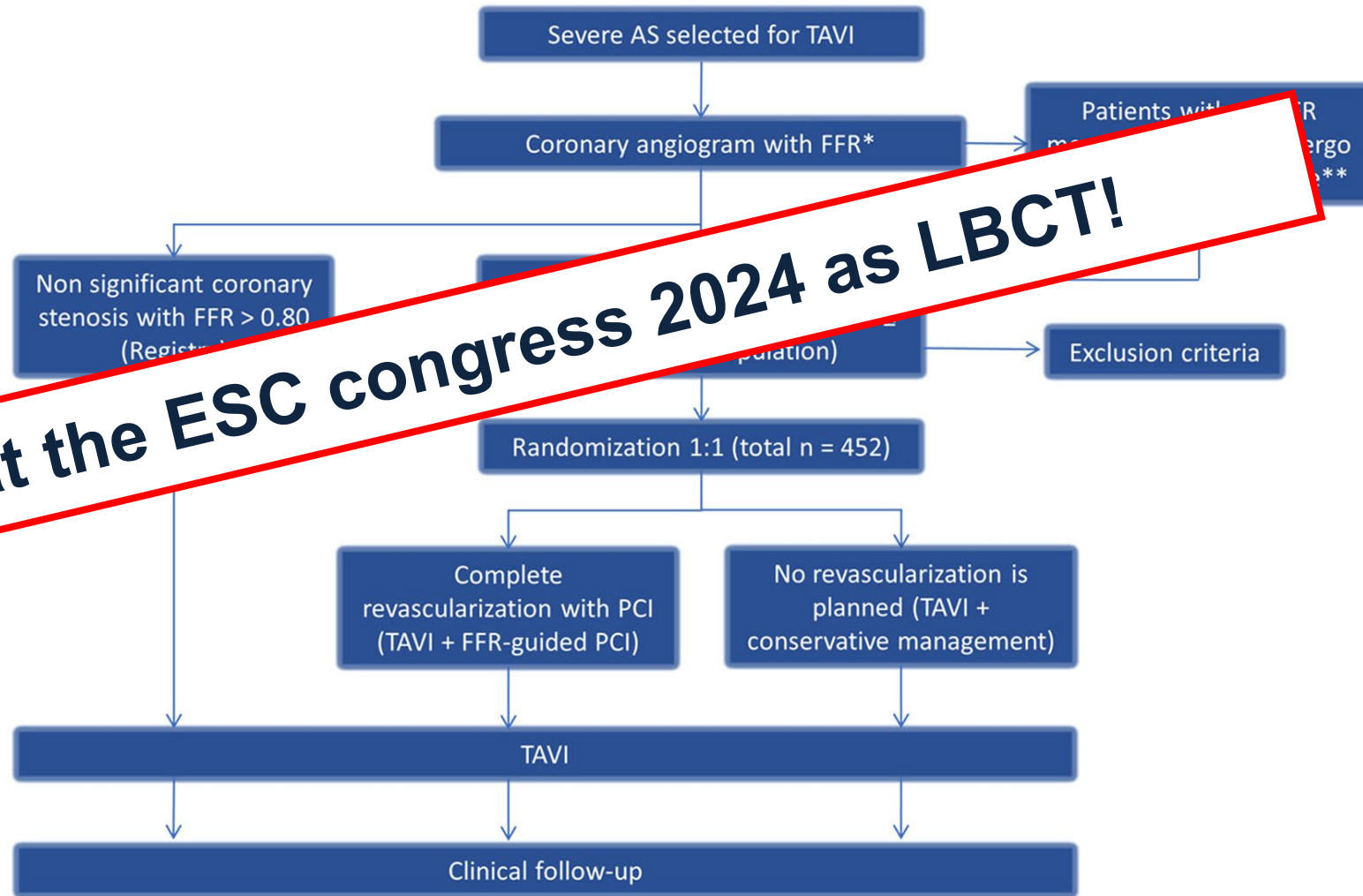
Ongoing trials: PCI vs. conservative treatment – NOTION 3

Trial Designs

Routine revascularization with percutaneous coronary intervention in patients with coronary artery disease undergoing transcatheter aortic valve implantation – the third nordic aortic valve intervention trial – NOTION-3

- Randomized open-label trial
- Patients with AS selected for TAVR and at least one coronary stenosis with FFR ≤ 0.80 or diameter stenosis $>90\%$
- TAVR + FFR-guided PCI vs. TAVR + conservative management
- Primary endpoint: All-cause mortality, MI, or urgent revascularization at 1 yr
- N=452 patients

Will be presented at the ESC congress 2024 as LBCT!



What do the Guidelines tell us?

2021 ESC/EACTS Guidelines for the management of valvular heart disease



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Indications for myocardial revascularization		
<p><u>PCI should be considered</u> in patients with a primary indication to undergo TAVI and <u>coronary artery diameter stenosis >70% in proximal segments.</u></p>	IIa	C

2020 ACC/AHA Guideline for the Management of Valvular Heart Disease



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2a	C-LD	2. In patients undergoing TAVI with <u>significant left main or proximal CAD with or without angina, revascularization by PCI before TAVI is reasonable.</u> ^{1,2}
2a	C-LD	3. In patients with significant AS and <u>significant CAD</u> (luminal reduction >70% diameter, fractional flow reserve <0.8, instantaneous wave-free ratio <0.89) consisting of complex bifurcation left main and/or multivessel CAD with a SYNTAX (Synergy Between Percutaneous Coronary Intervention With Taxus and Cardiac Surgery) score >33, <u>SAVR and CABG are reasonable and preferred over TAVI and PCI.</u> ^{3,4}

Ongoing trials will impact future guidelines!

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