

# The Role of CTA and MRI in the Workup of ACS

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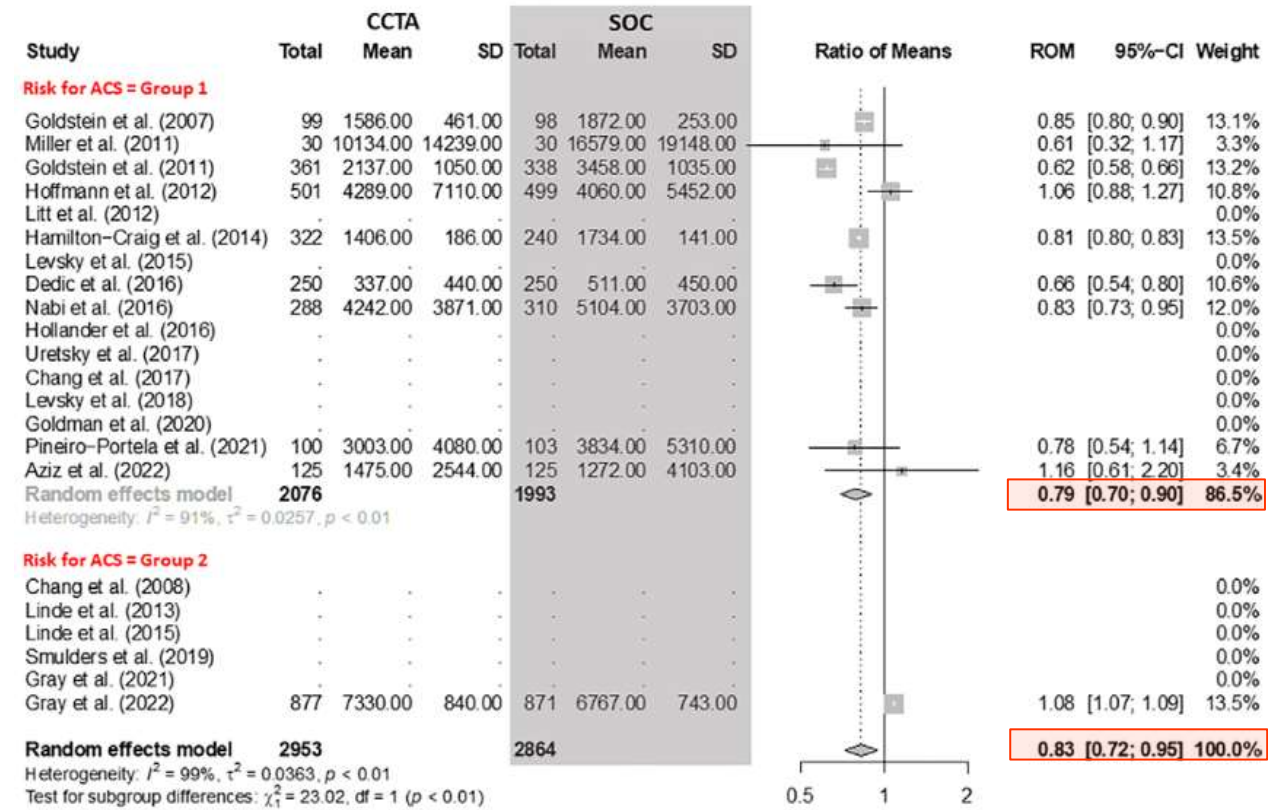
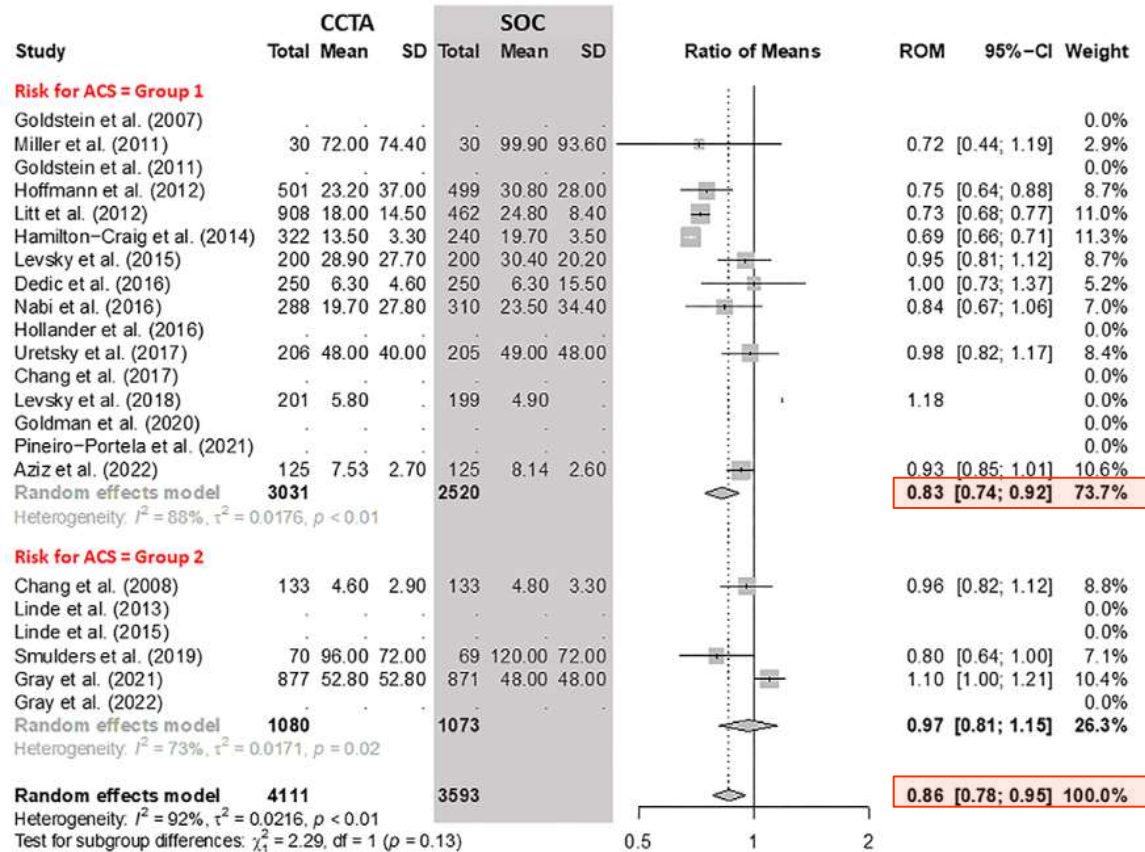
22 studies (n=9379)

Length of stay ↓

Costs ↓

Low to Intermediate

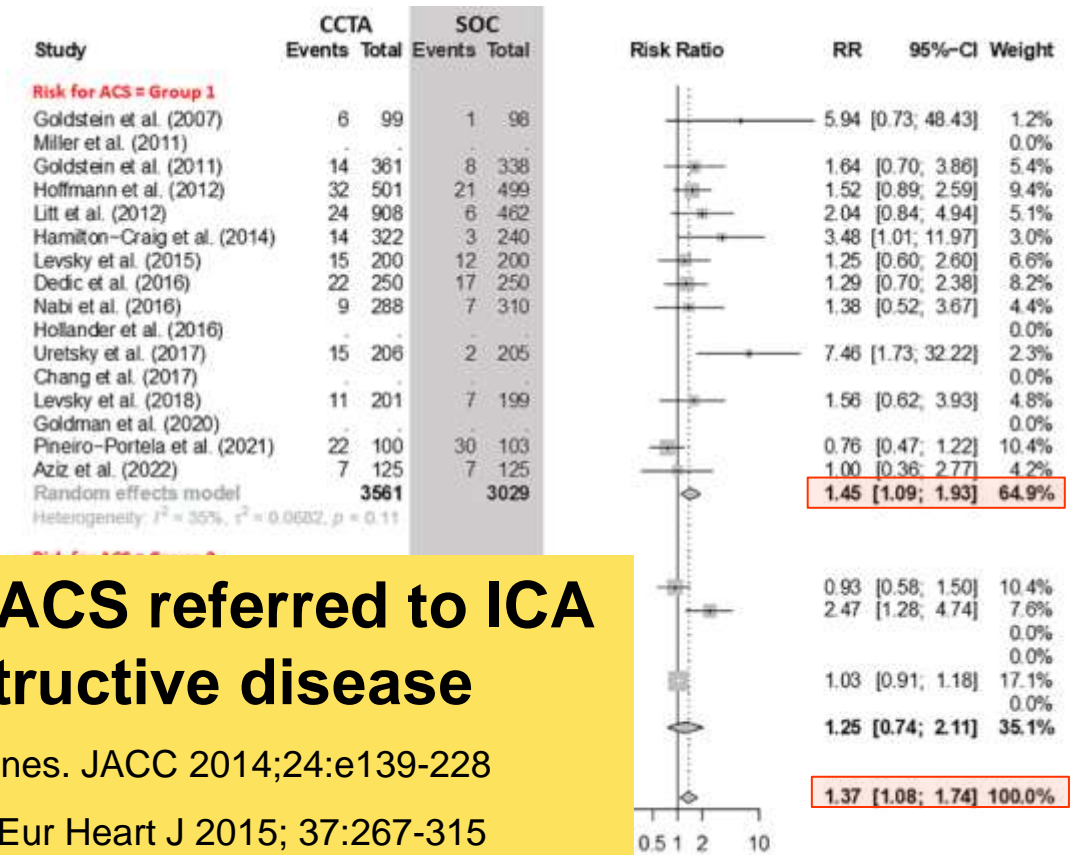
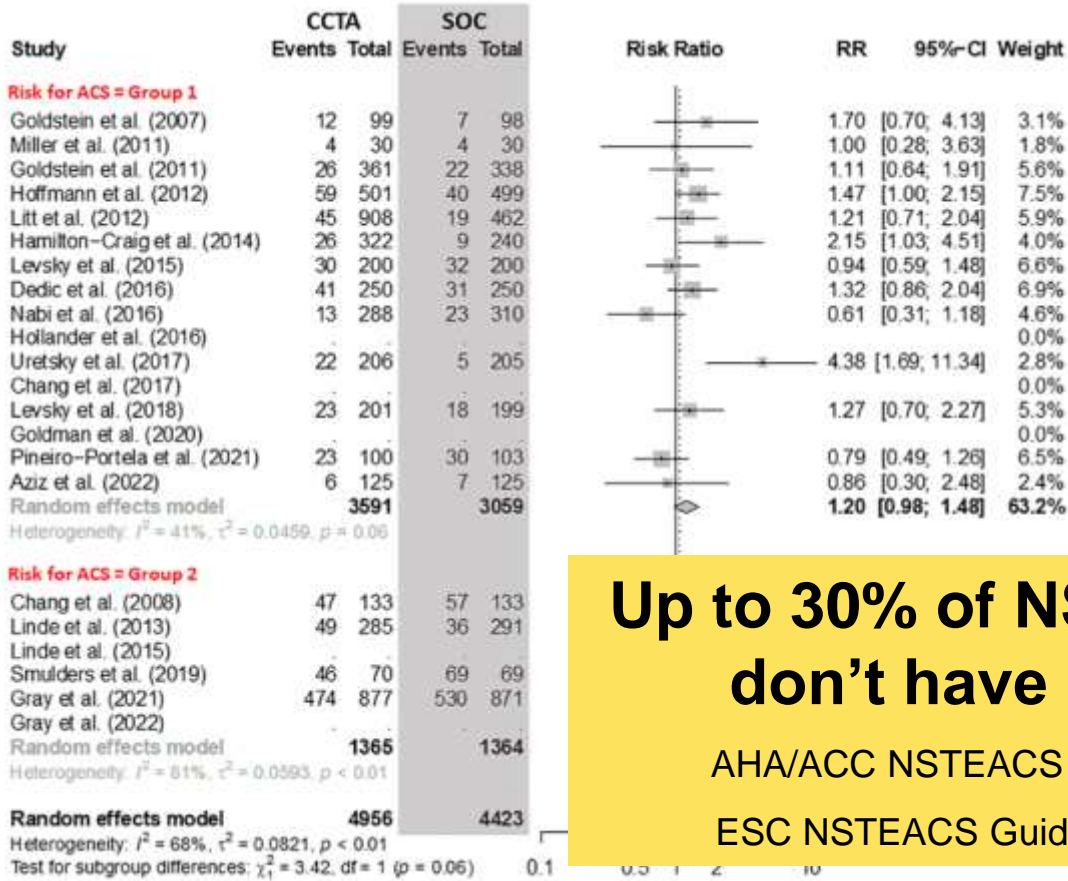
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# Randomized trials investigating the role of CCTA vs. SOC in patients with acute chest pain

ICA =

Revascularization ↑



**Up to 30% of NSTEMI/ACS referred to ICA don't have obstructive disease**  
 AHA/ACC NSTEMI/ACS Guidelines. JACC 2014;24:e139-228  
 ESC NSTEMI/ACS Guidelines. Eur Heart J 2015; 37:267-315

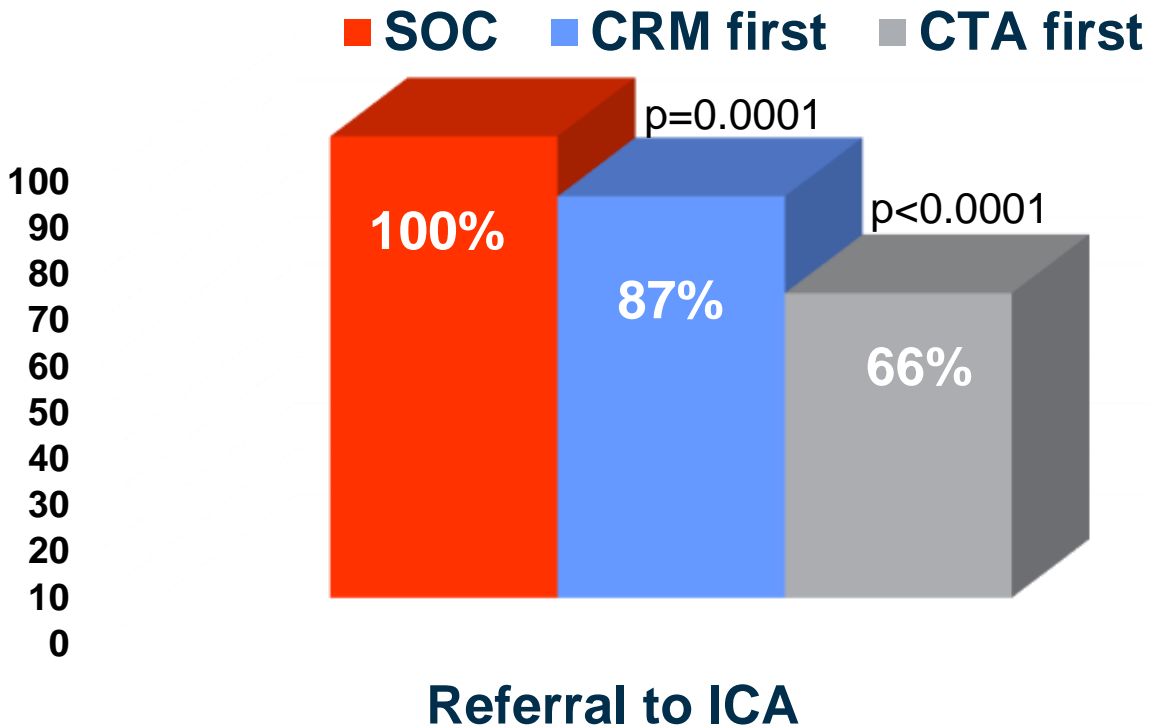
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# Initial Imaging-Guided Strategy Versus Routine Care in Patients With Non-ST-Segment Elevation Myocardial Infarction

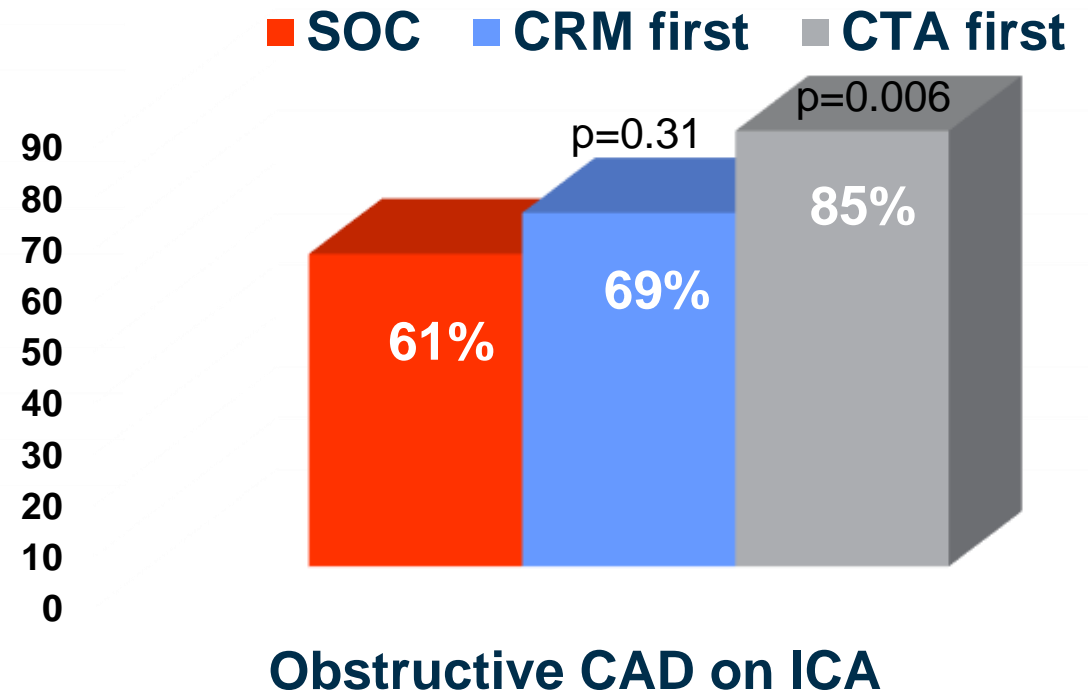


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# CARMENTA study

207 patients with acute chest pain, elevated hs/TnT and inconclusive ECG

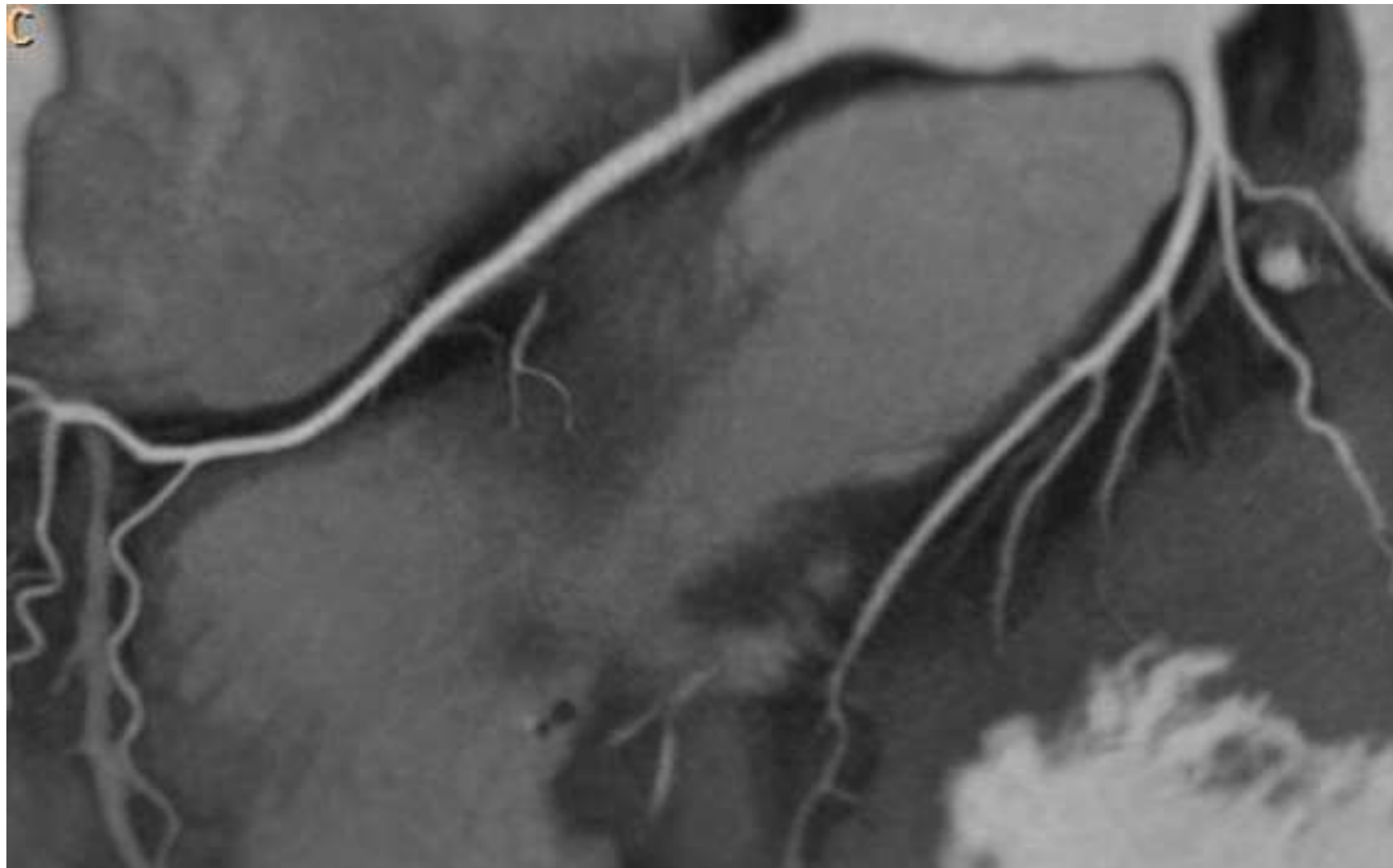




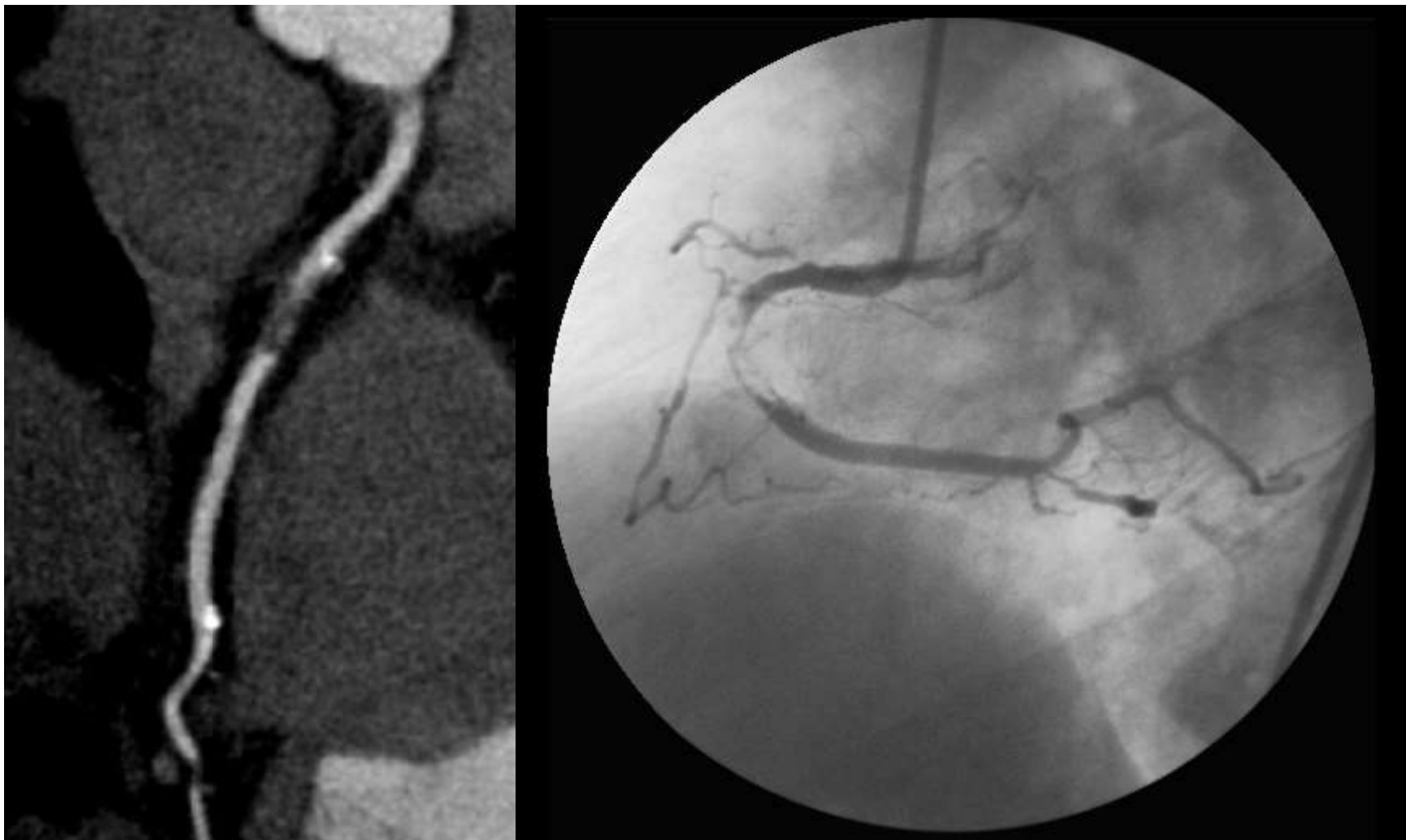
# Normal

**ACRIN-PA=**

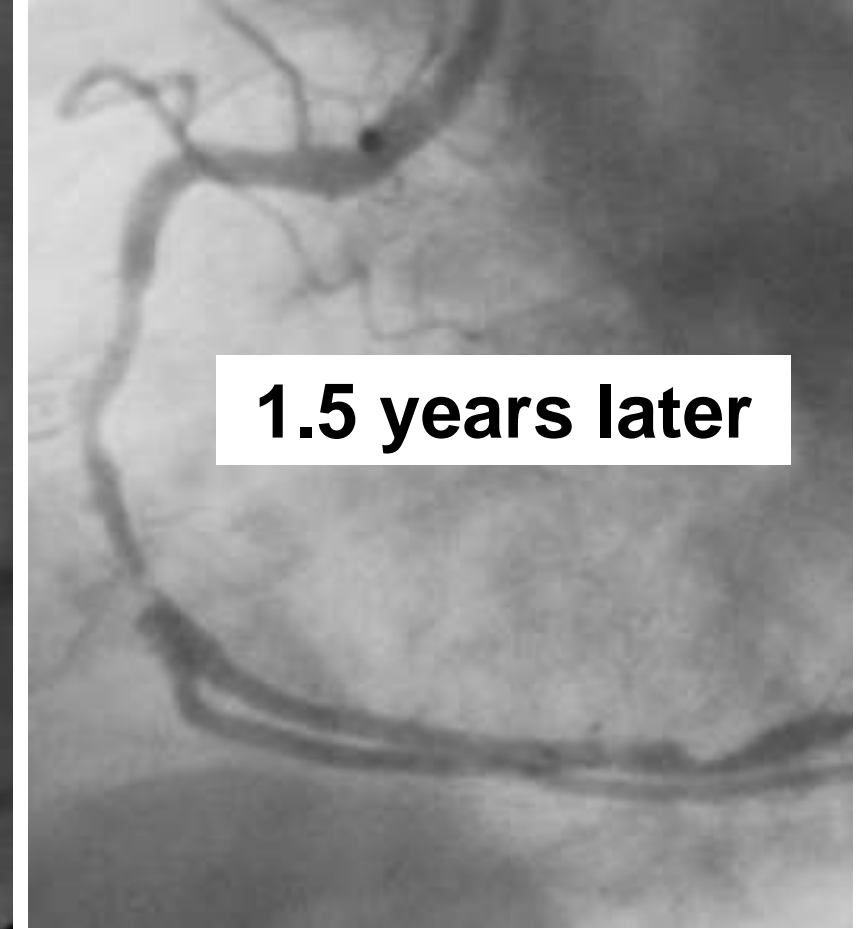
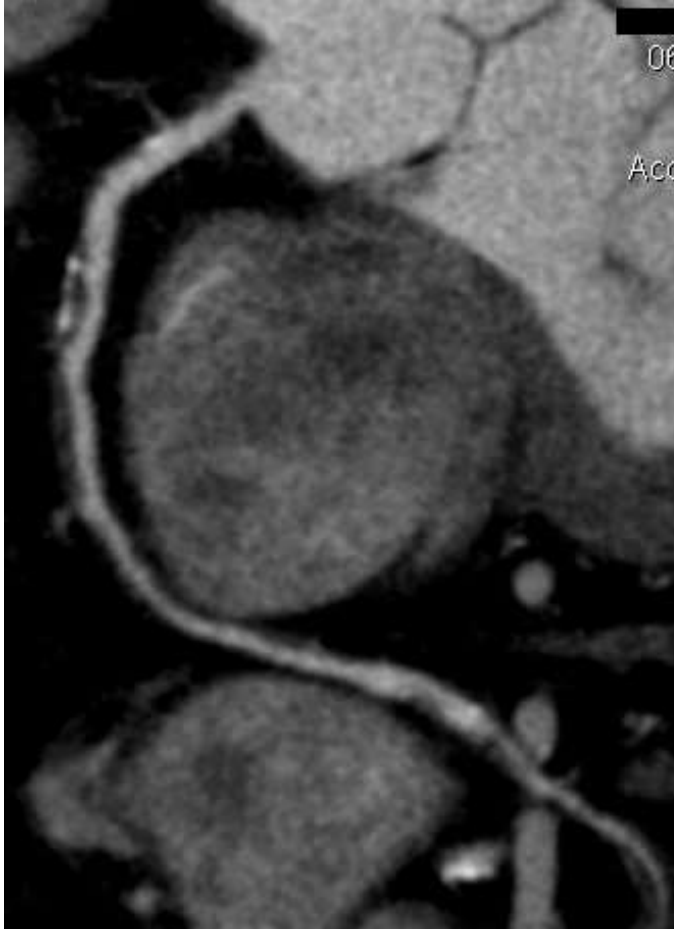
**0% MACE in 640 patients  
with negative CTA**



# Obstructive



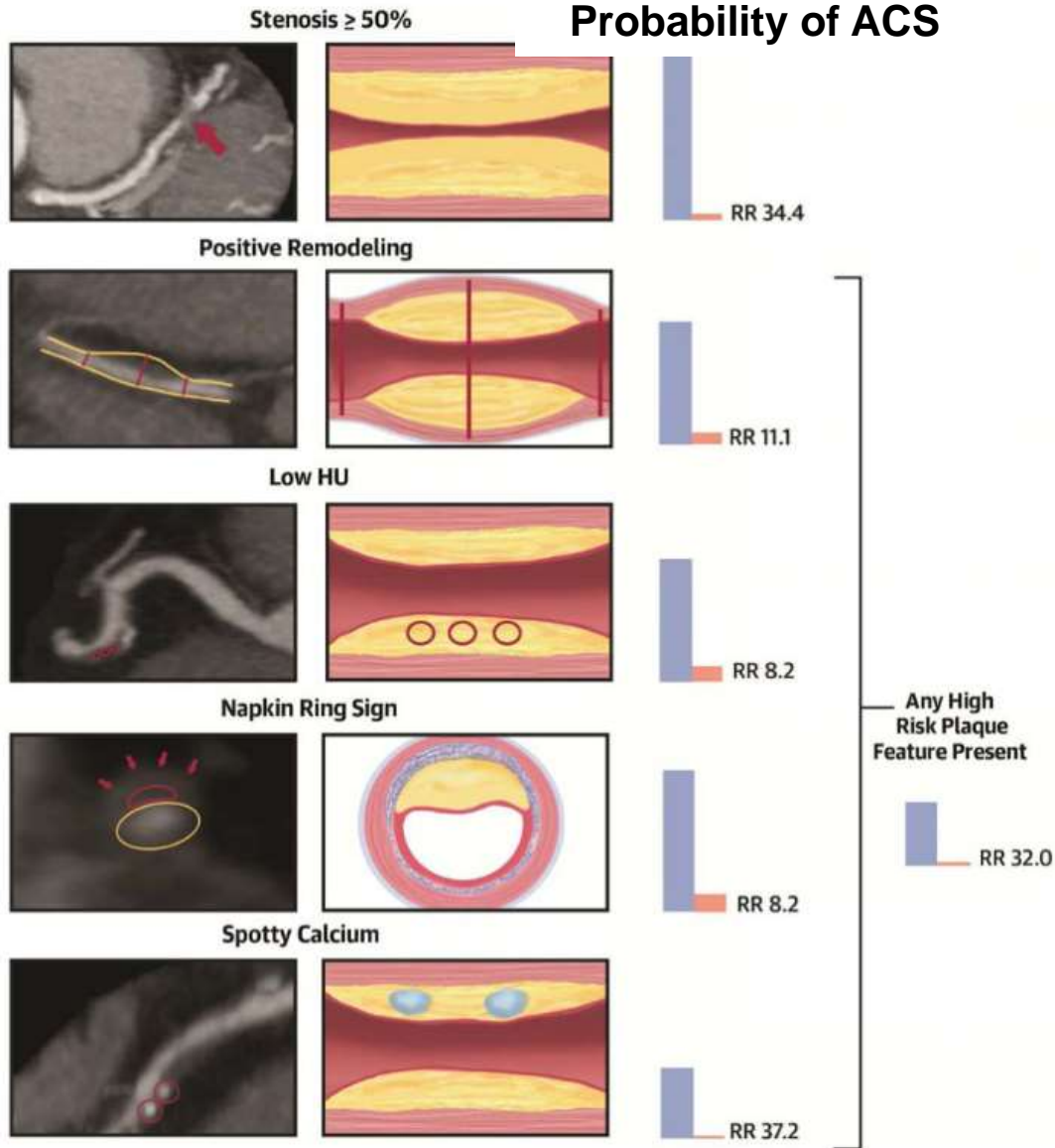
# Non-obstructive



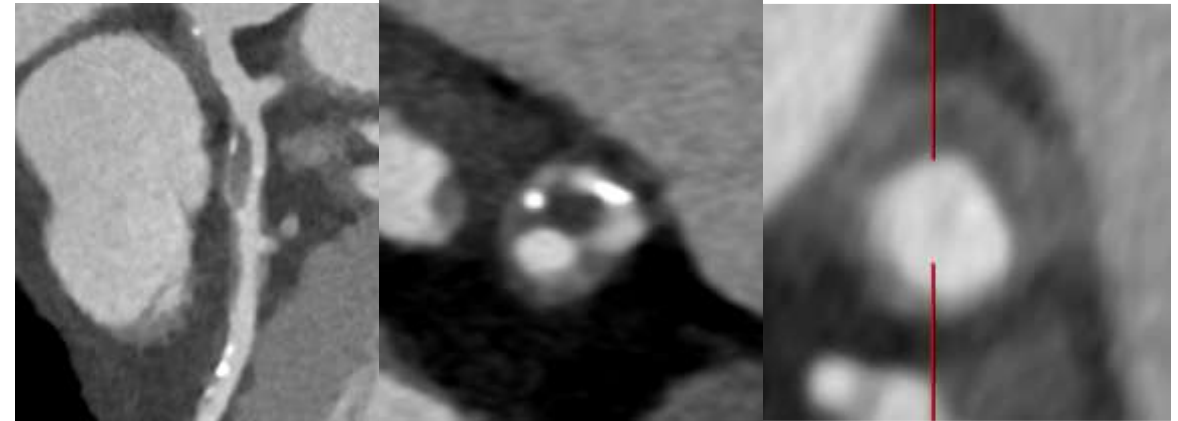
**Functional tests  
Advanced analysis (HRP)**



# ROMICAT II subanalysis (CT arm):



22% patients with ACS had stenosis  $<50\%$



HRP independent predictor of ACS  
(OR 8.9, 95% CI 1.8-43.3,  $p=0.006$ )  
after adjusting for % stenosis, age,  
gender, and risk factors

# EMERALD study (ACS with previous CT)

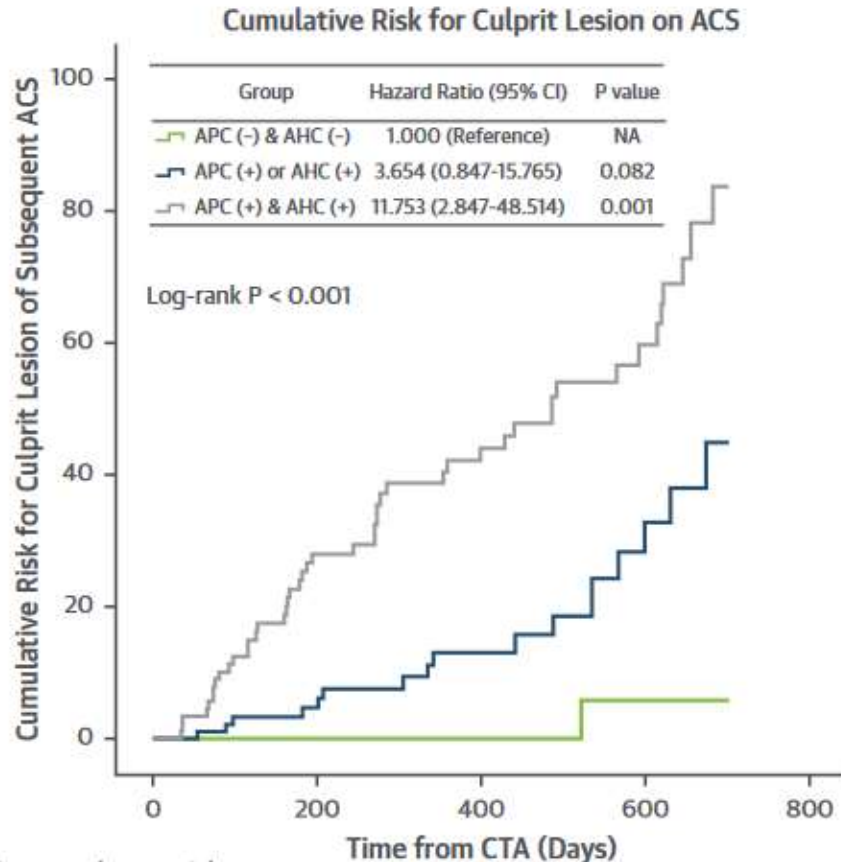
Identification of High-Risk Plaques Destined to Cause Acute Coronary Syndrome Using Coronary Computed Tomographic Angiography and Computational Fluid Dynamics

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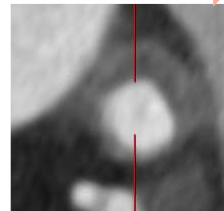


Prior CT 1-24 months

## Culprit vs. non-culprit



	Nonculprit Lesion (n = 150)	Culprit Lesion (n = 66)	p Value
<b>Vessel location</b>			0.001
LAD	48 (32.0)	39 (59.1)	
LCX	39 (26.0)	9 (13.6)	
RCA	63 (42.0)	18 (27.3)	
<b>Lesion location</b>			0.193
Proximal	62 (41.3)	36 (54.5)	
Mid	61 (40.7)	20 (30.3)	
Distal	27 (18.0)	10 (15.2)	
<b>Anatomical severity</b>			
Lesion length, mm	12.1 ± 7.4	15.8 ± 8.4	0.002
MLA, mm <sup>2</sup>	3.02 ± 1.58	2.11 ± 1.43	<0.001
Diameter stenosis, %	43.1 ± 15.0	55.5 ± 15.4	<0.001
Distance from ostium, mm	47.8 ± 20.4	45.5 ± 27.2	0.489
<b>Adverse plaque characteristics</b>			
Low-plaque density	43 (28.7)	41 (62.1)	<0.001
Positive remodeling	16 (10.7)	23 (34.8)	<0.001
Napkin-ring sign	13 (8.7)	22 (33.3)	<0.001
Spotty calcification	31 (20.7)	28 (42.4)	0.001
Any adverse plaque characteristics*	63 (42.0)	53 (80.3)	<0.001
<b>Hemodynamic parameters</b>			
FFR <sub>CT</sub>	0.79 ± 0.14	0.72 ± 0.17	0.006
ΔFFR <sub>CT</sub>	0.06 ± 0.07	0.17 ± 0.17	<0.001
Wall shear stress, dyn/cm <sup>2</sup>	145.5 ± 87.6	221.8 ± 113.2	<0.001
Axial plaque stress, dyn/cm <sup>2</sup>	1,734.7 ± 1,896.8	2,585.9 ± 2,401.3	0.006







# Inflammatory risk and cardiovascular events in patients without obstructive coronary artery disease: the ORFAN multicentre, longitudinal cohort study



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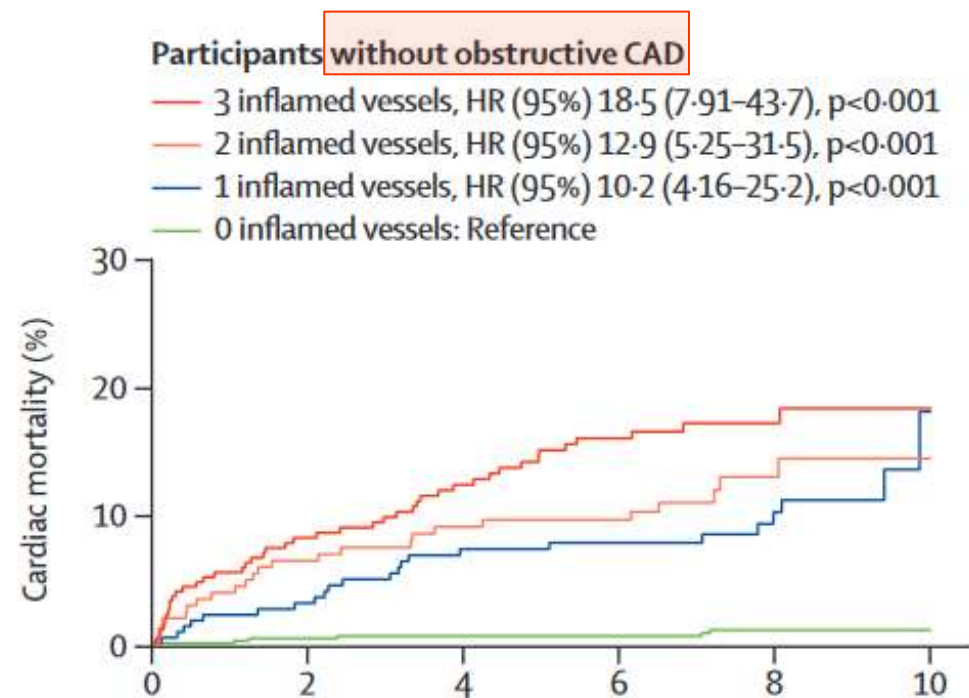
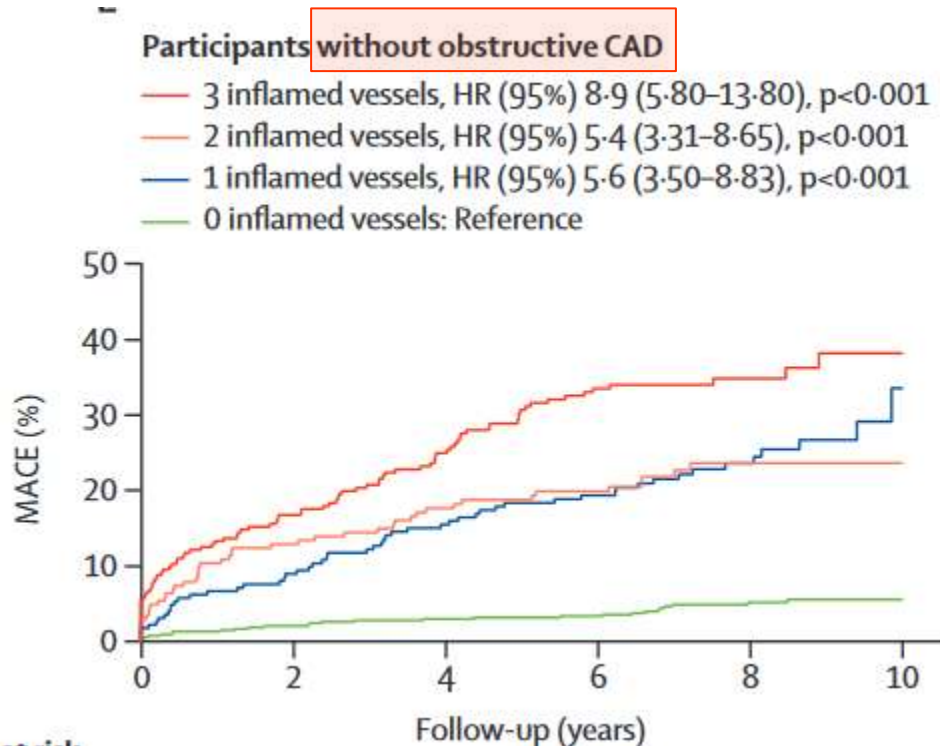
Lancet 2024; 403: 2606–18

**Cohort A=**  
40 091 patients with median FUP 2.7 years

**66% of MACE and 63% of deaths occurred in patients with non-obstructive CAD**

**Cohort B=**  
3393 patients with median FUP 7.7 years

**FAI Score in any vessel predicted cardiac mortality and MACE independently from risk factors and the presence or extent of CAD**



# MINOCA (5-15% of AMI referred to ICA)

Circulation

ORIGINAL RESEARCH ARTICLE



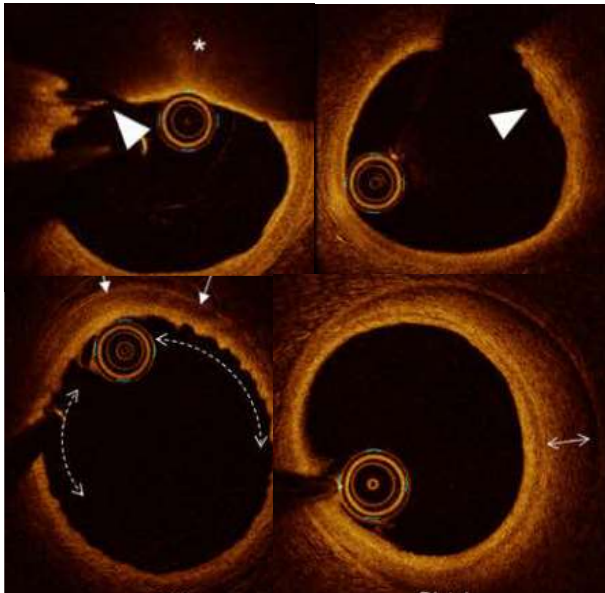
Coronary Optical Coherence Tomography and Cardiac Magnetic Resonance Imaging to Determine Underlying Causes of Myocardial Infarction With Nonobstructive Coronary Arteries in Women

116 women with MINOCA + 3V OCT + MRI

Bainey KR. COAPT study. Int J Cardiol. 2018;264:12–17

Lindahl B. Circulation. 2017;135:1481–1489.

Smilowitz NR. Am Heart J. 2011;161:681–688



## Combined OCT and MRI findings:

- Final diagnosis of MI, 64%
- Myocarditis, 15%
- Takotsubo 3%
- Non-ischemic CM 3%
- Unknown mechanism (16%)

	<b>Normal ICA</b>
<b>Sites (n=16):</b>	<b>53%</b>
<b>Core lab:</b>	<b>3%</b>

Reynolds H. Circulation. 2021;143:624–640.

55 year-old male. Smoker. Dyslipidemia

Acute chest pain with abnormal ECG (infra ST 0.5 mm DII, DIII y AvF) and enzyme elevation

Invasive angiogram (05/05/24):



**MINOCA**

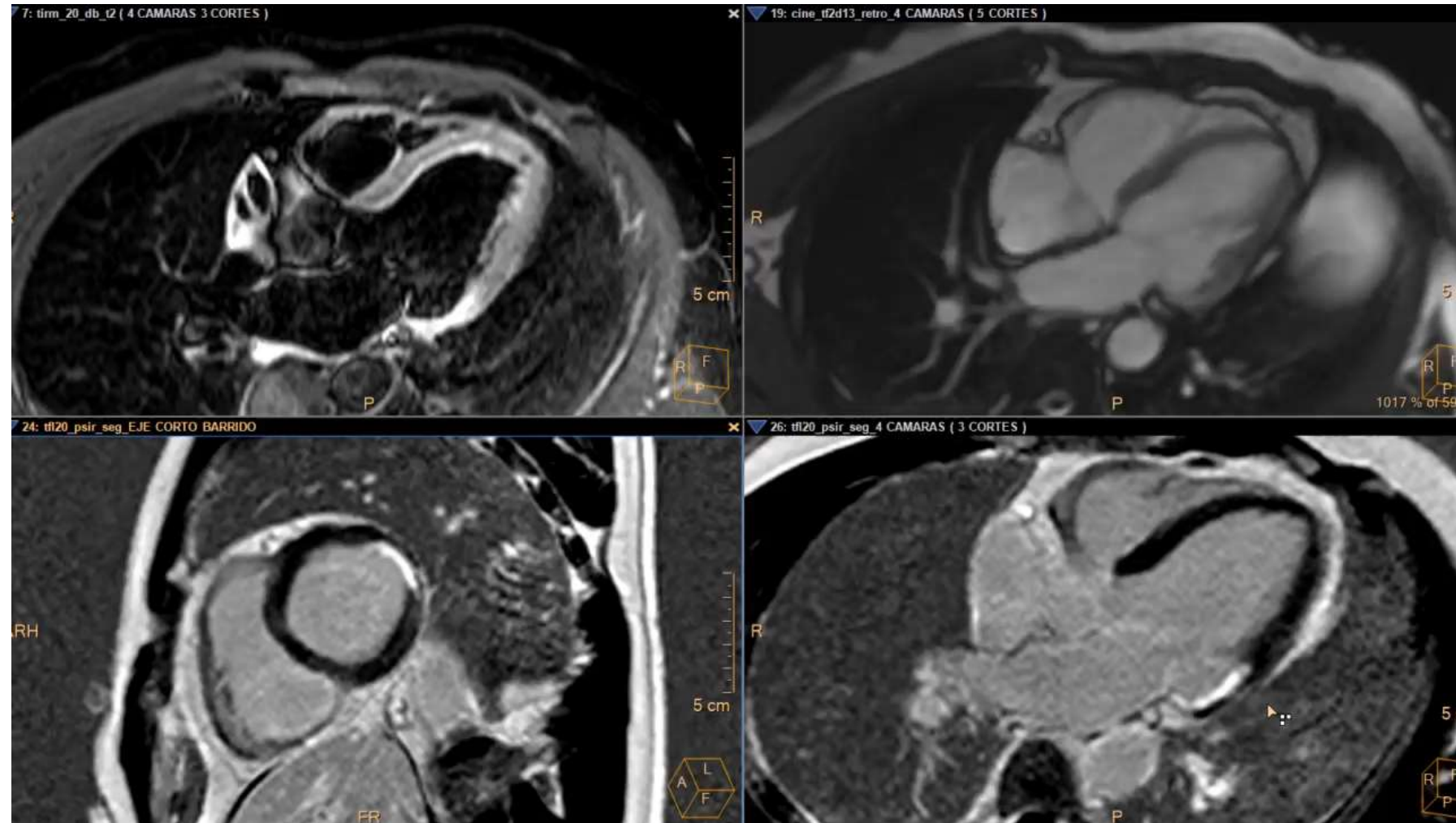
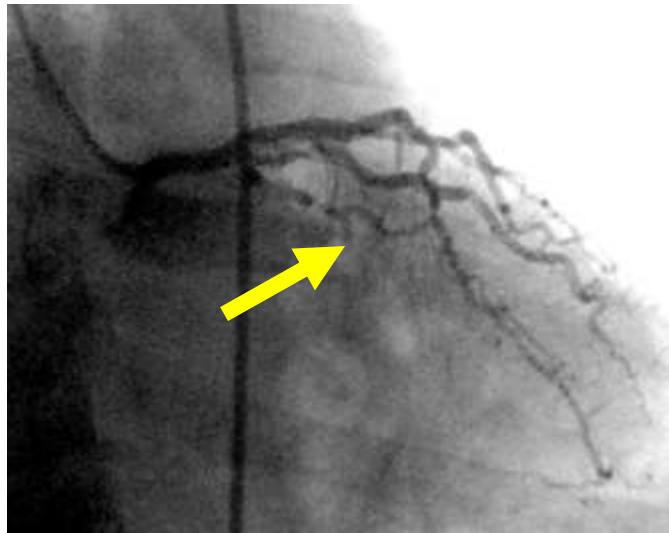
Echocardiogram (08/05/24):

LVEF 64%, without wall motion abnormalities



# MINOCA

Cardiac MR to define etiology (40 days later)



RESEARCH ARTICLE | Originally Published 30 April 2019 |

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# Identifying the Infarct-Related Artery in Patients With Non-ST-Segment-Elevation Myocardial Infarction: Insights From Cardiac Magnetic Resonance Imaging

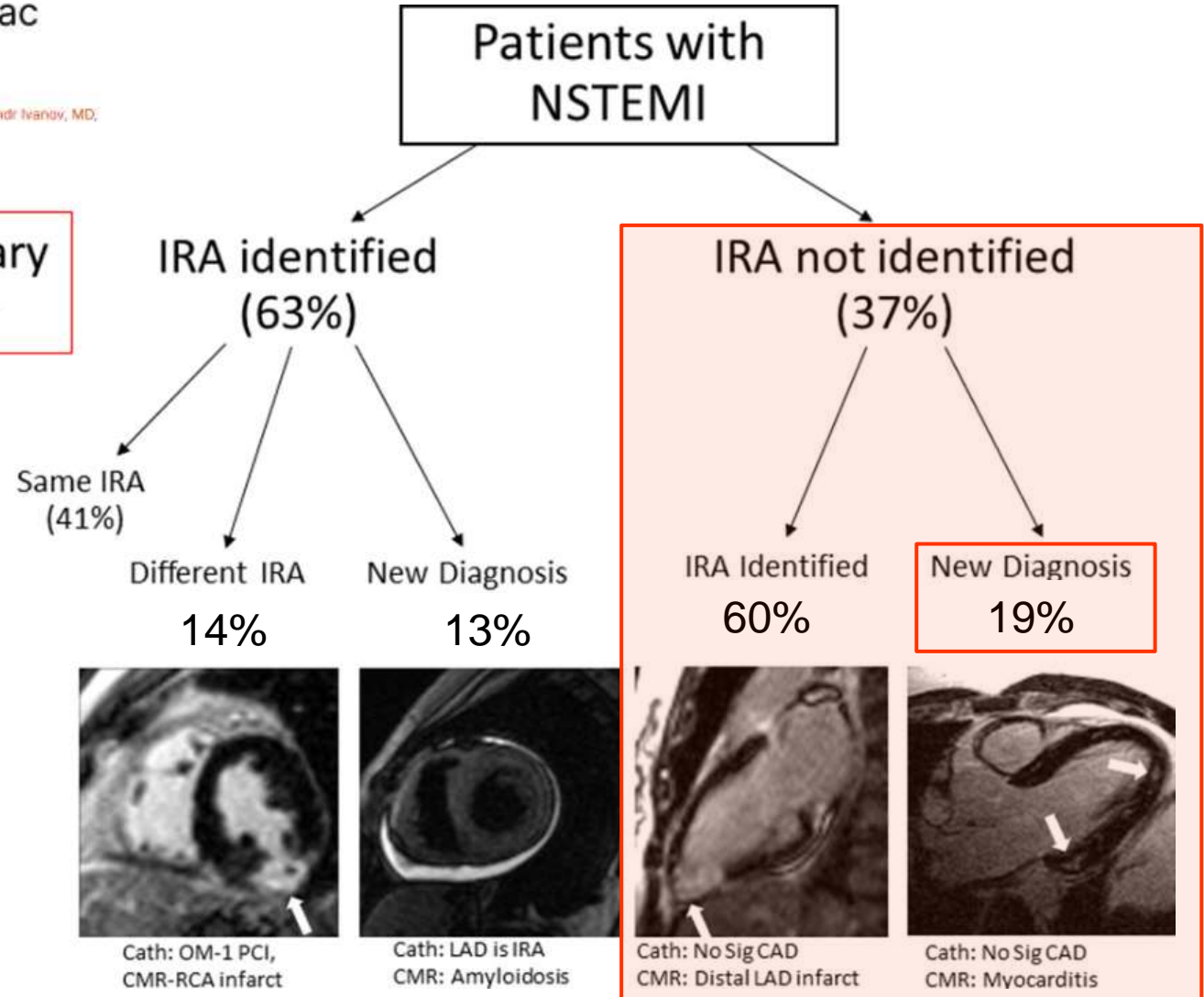
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114 patients with first MI (NSTEMI)

MRI  
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ICA

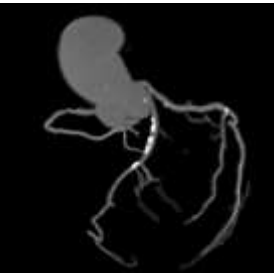
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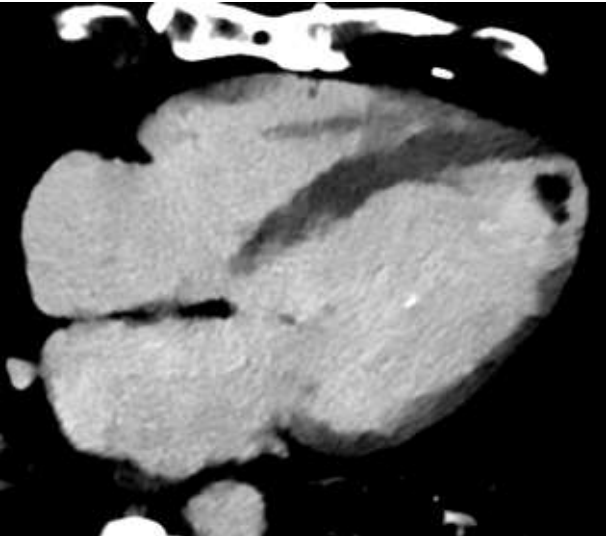
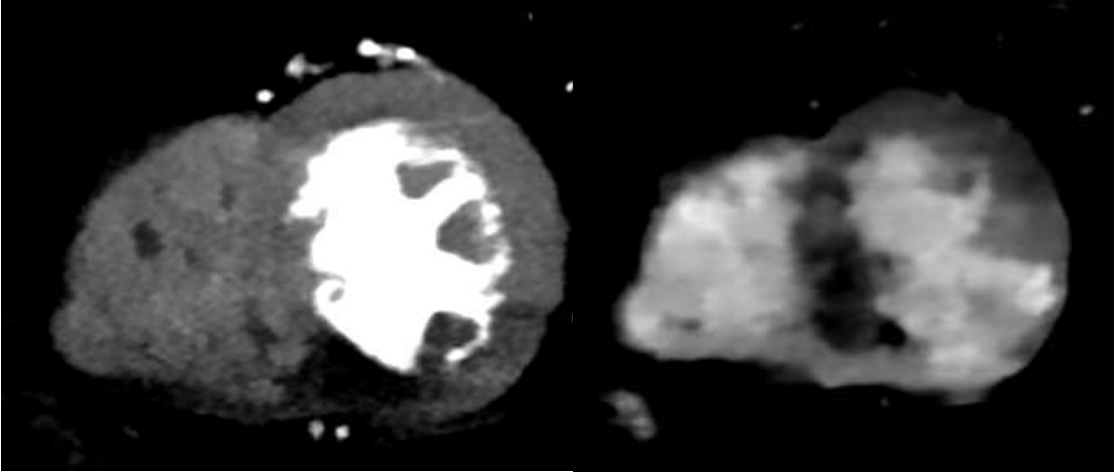


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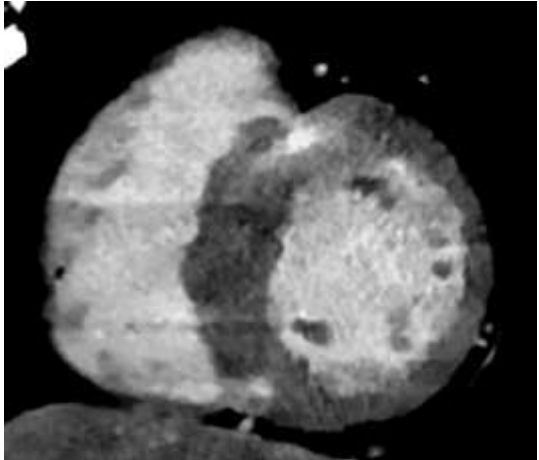
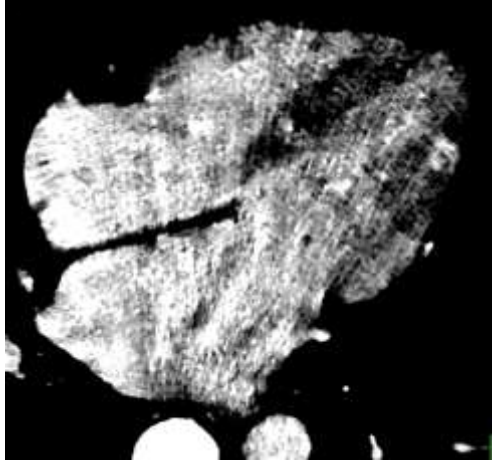
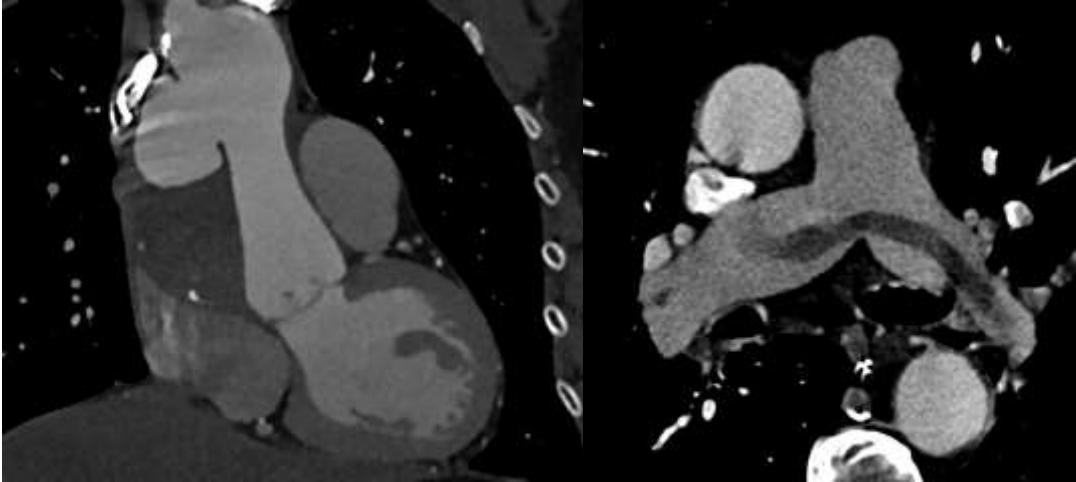
# CTCA:



## Coronary



## Non-coronary



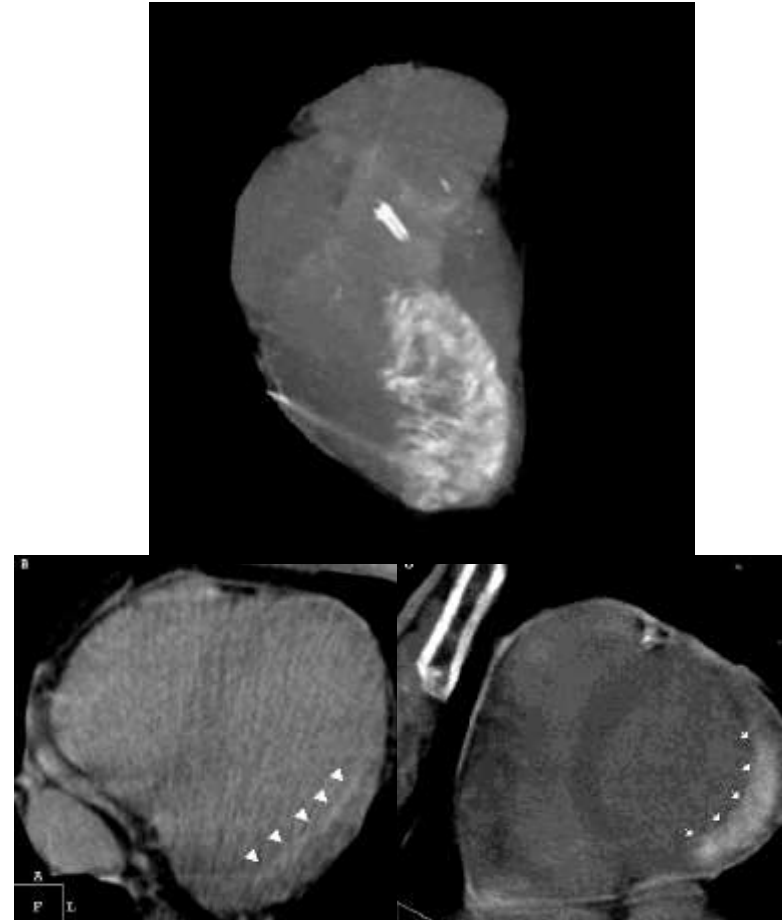
Early Assessment of Myocardial Viability  
by the Use of Delayed Enhancement  
Computed Tomography After Primary  
Percutaneous Coronary Intervention

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**Microvascular reperfusion failure,  
poor ST resolution, higher enzyme  
levels, higher in-hospital  
complication rates, and lower  
functional recovery at 6 months**

## Role in STEMI:

# Early Assessment of Myocardial Viability



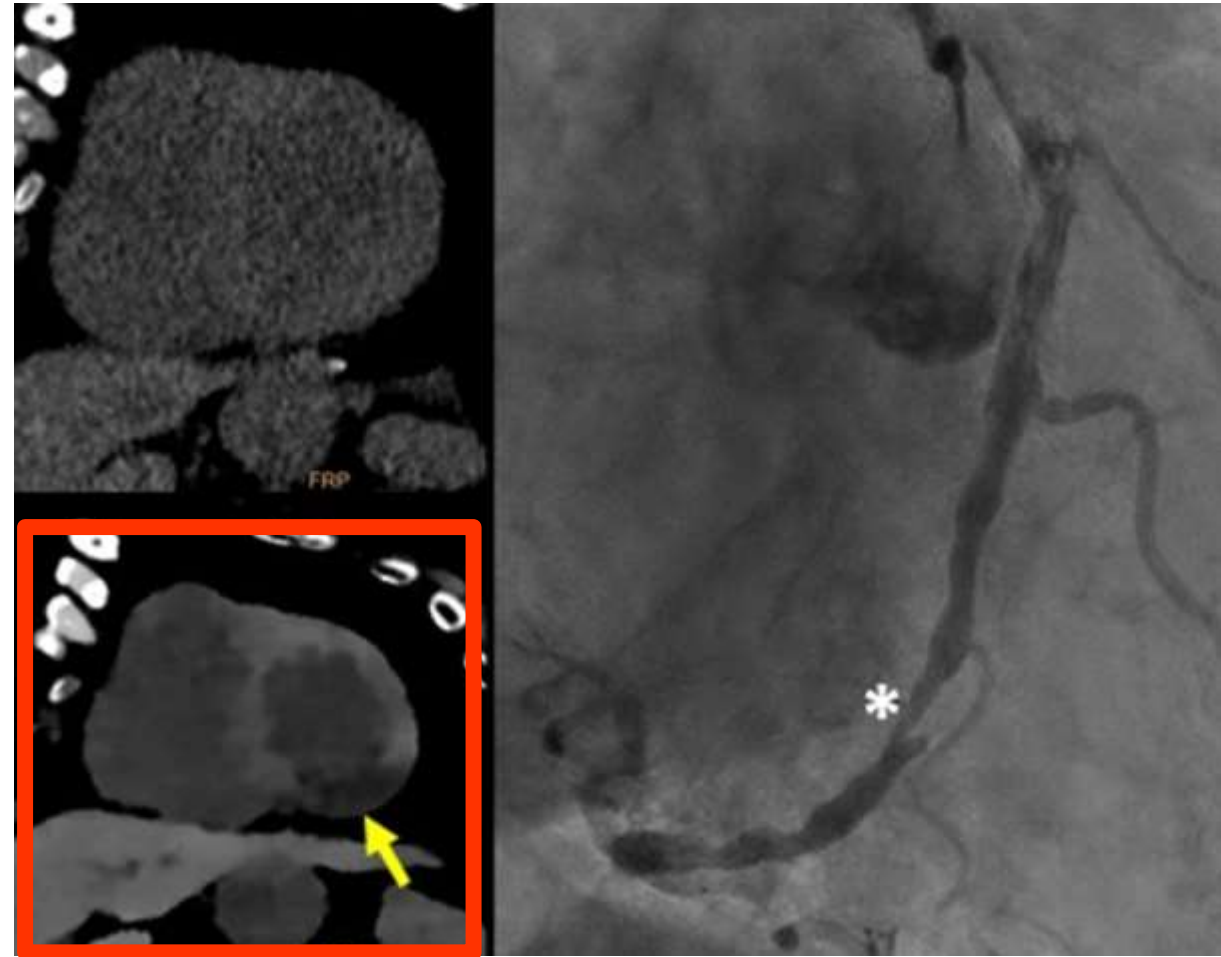
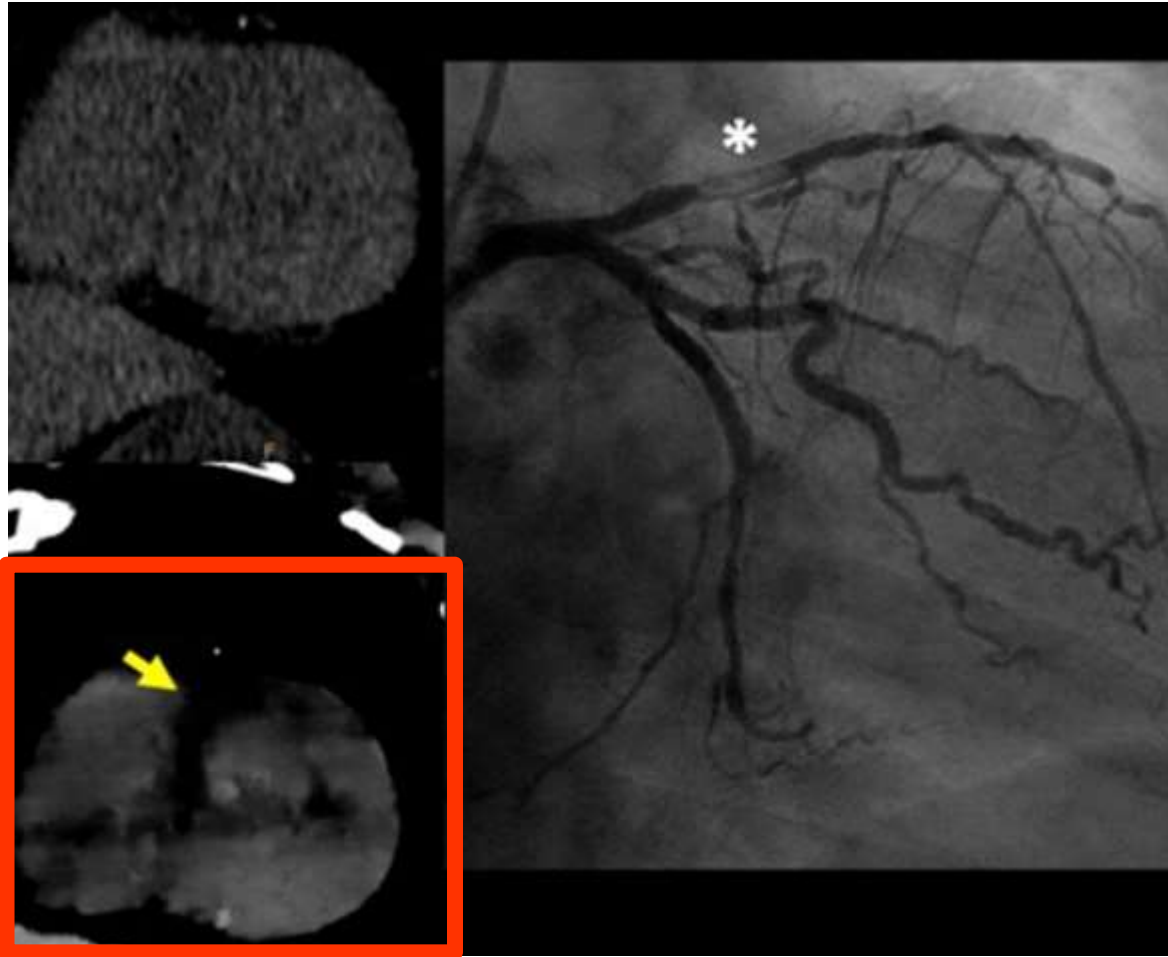
## EARLY STRATIFICATION IN STEMI

Rodríguez-Granillo GA, et al. J Am Coll Cardiol Img. 2009;2;1072-1081



# Early myocardial tissue changes related to AMI with **Non-contrast CT**

Electron density enabled the identification in 11/15 (73%) affected coronary territories





**Gracias!!  
Thank you!!**

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