



The challenge of calcification in BTK arteries and the relevance for procedural outcome



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Grade of calcification and clinical outcome -What do we know?

Clinical Investigation

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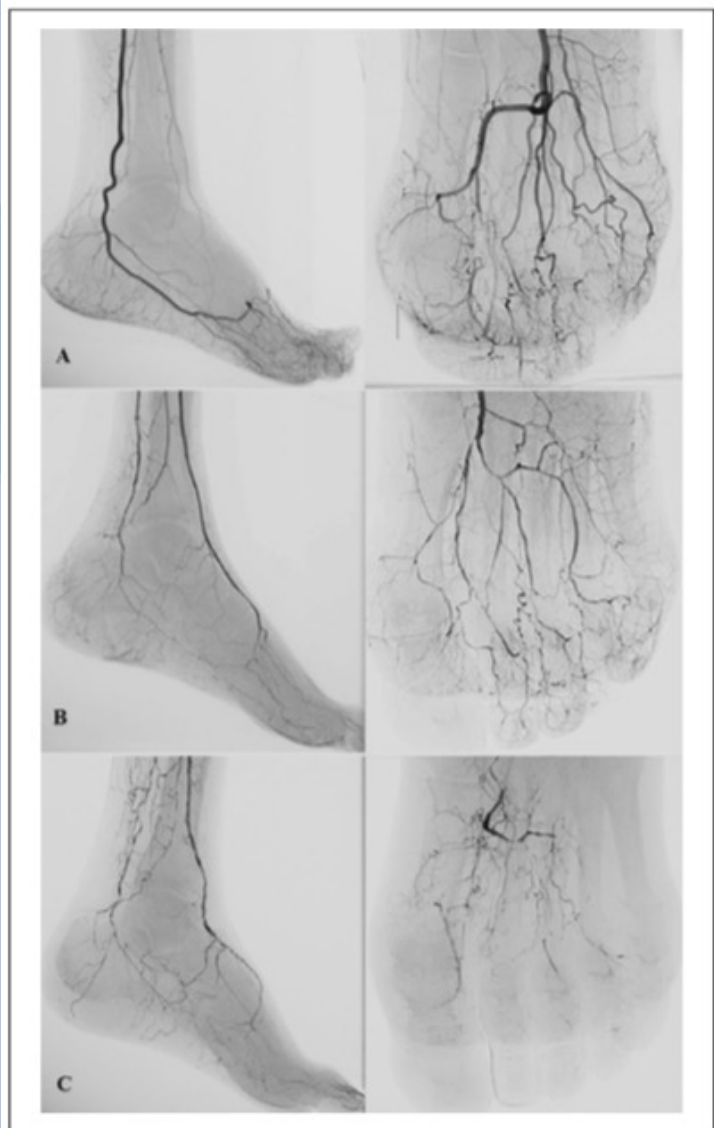
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MAC (Medium artery calcification) & SAD (small artery disease) Classification

145 patients fu up to 30month

(Ferraresi et al. JEVT2021)

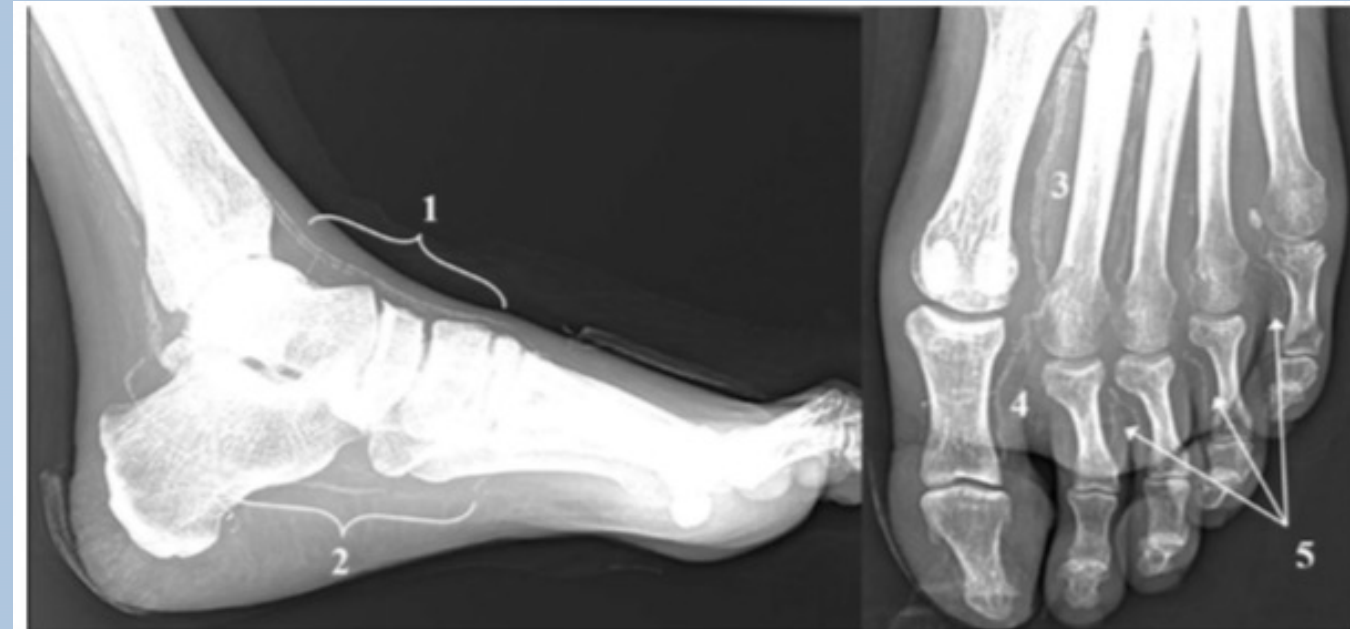
MAC & SAD classification



SAD 0

SAD 1

SAD 2



1		yes = 1 or no = 0
2	≥ 2 cm?	yes = 1 or no = 0
3		yes = 1 or no = 0
4		yes = 1 or no = 0
5	≥ 1 cm?	yes = 1 or no = 0

Sum all points
→

0-1 = no MAC

2-3 = moderate MAC

4-5 = severe MAC

(Ferraresi et al. JEVT2021)

MAC & SAD relevance on clinical outcome – Wound Healing

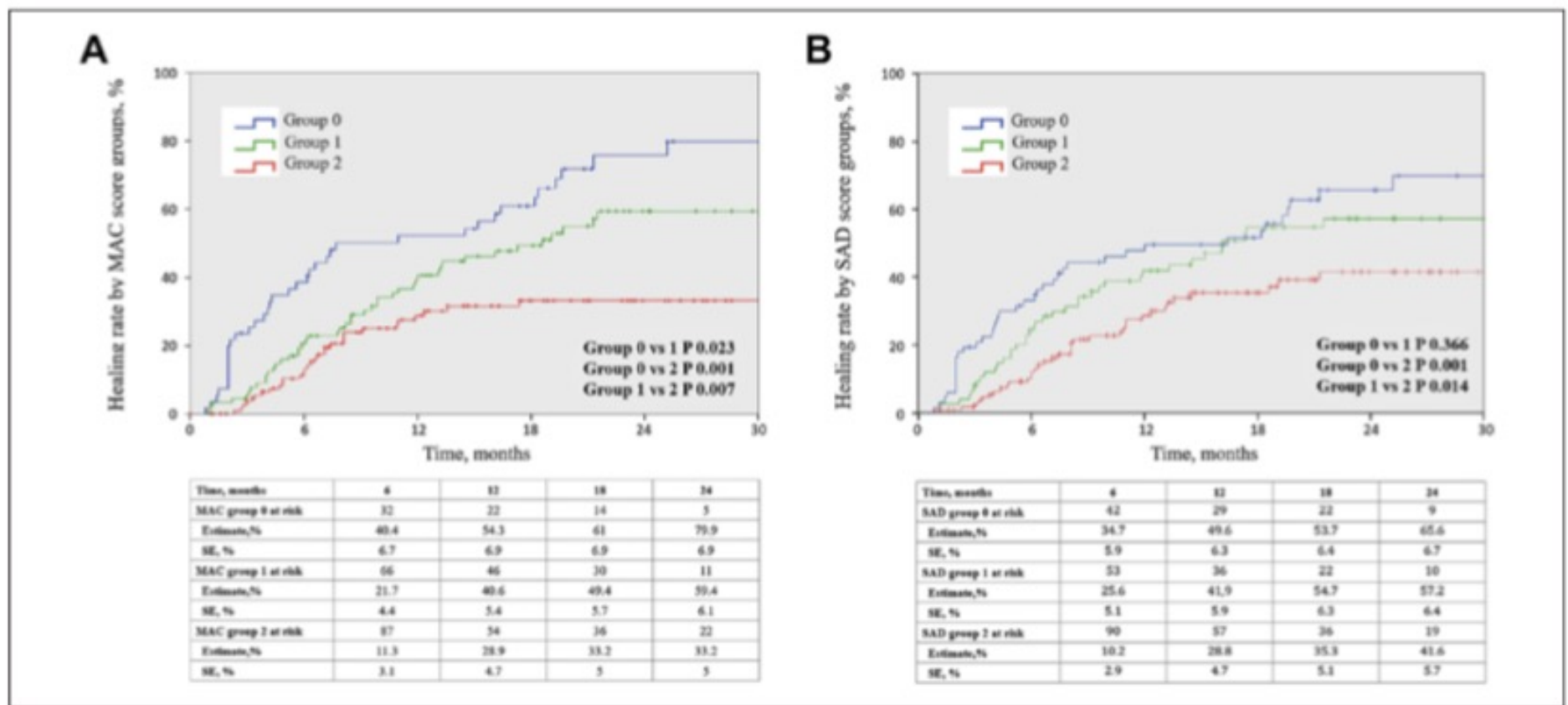


Figure 4. Healing estimates for the (A) medial arterial calcification (MAC) groups and the (B) small artery disease (SAD) groups. SE, standard error.

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MAC & SAD relevance on clinical outcome – Freedom from Reintervention

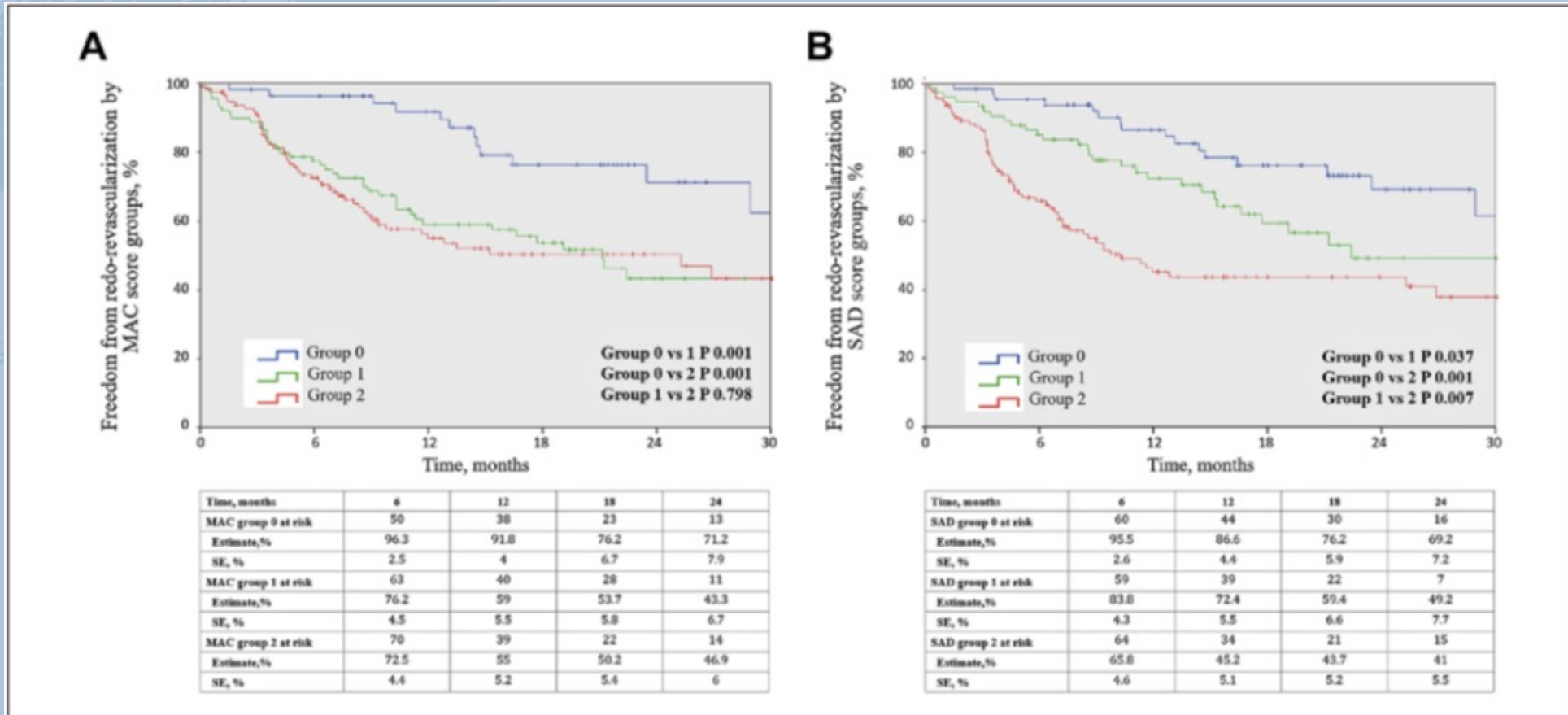


Figure 6. Freedom from redo revascularization estimates for the (A) medial arterial calcification (MAC) groups and the (B) small artery disease (SAD) groups. SE, standard error.

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MAC & SAD relevance on clinical outcome – Limb salvage

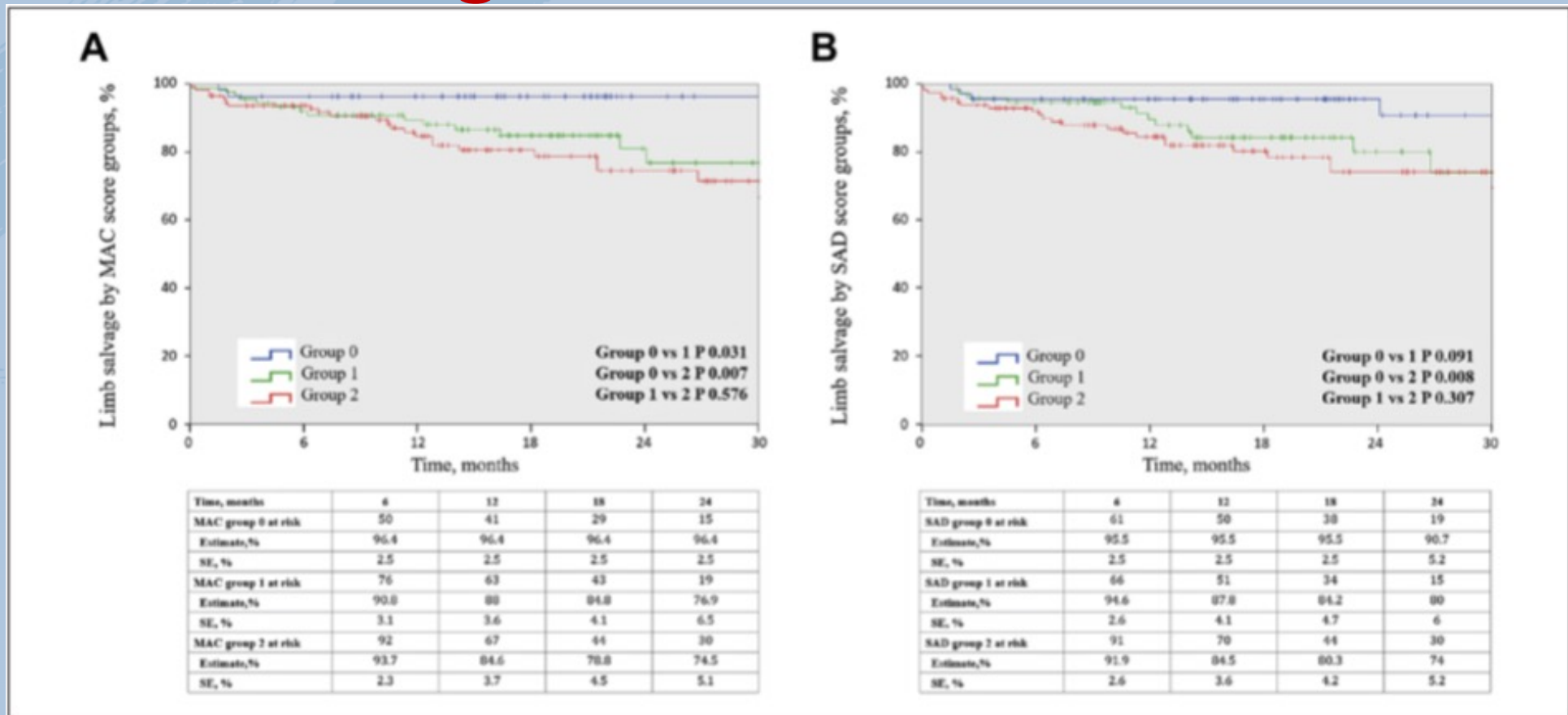
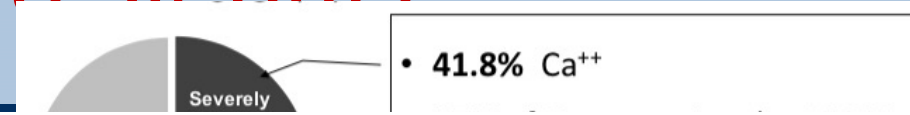


Figure 7. Limb salvage estimates for the (A) medial arterial calcification (MAC) groups and the (B) small artery disease (SAD) groups. SE, standard error.

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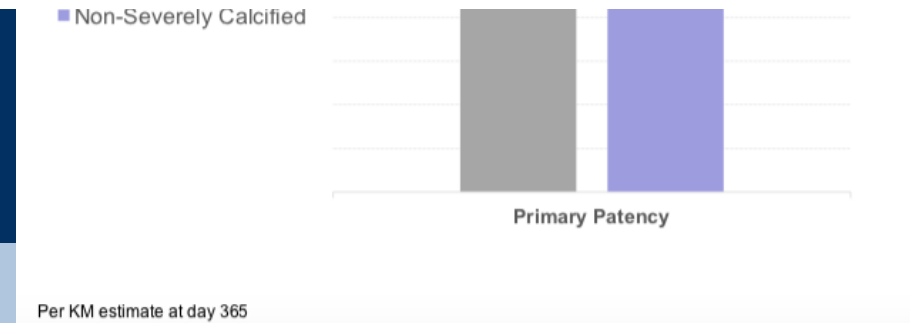
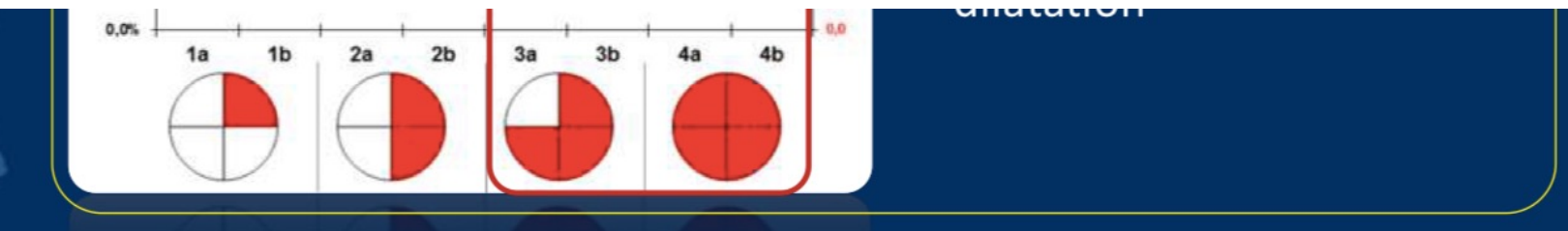


Does Calcium affect the efficacy of Drug eluting technology? **Mixed signals**



However:

The idea of removing the calcium barrier and improving drug-uptake and vessel wall compliance is appealing



Fanelli @ LINC 2015

Fanelli et al.
Subanalysis on Calcium Illuminate I & II 671 patients



Mode of action: orbital atherectomy

Stealth 360[®] Peripheral Orbital Atherectomy System

Sleek Electric-Powered Handle

- Simple device set-up
- Optimum torque transfer to the shaft and crown
- Stealth 1.25 Micro equipped with GlideAssist[®] Mode

Crowns

Micro



Solid



Classic



Mechanism of action: orbital atherectomy

Peripheral Orbital Atherectomy System

Dual Mechanism of Action



Atherectomy:

Bi-directional Differential Sanding

Reduces superficial calcium

- ✓ Superficial calcium is sanded by diamond surface.¹
- ✓ Differential Sanding reduces plaque while potentially minimizing damage to the medial layer of the vessel.^{1,2}
- ✓ The OAS generates particulate matter with an average size of ~2 microns, smaller than circulating red blood cells¹



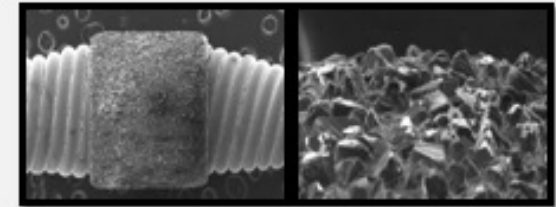
Calcium Modification:

Pulsatile Forces

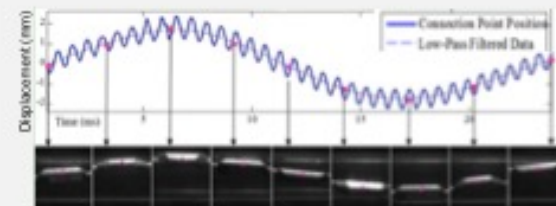
from eccentric-mounted mass may contribute to compliance change:

- ✓ Low frequency (18-40 Hz) represents crown orbit inside vessel³
- ✓ High frequency (1000-1900 Hz) represents rotation of eccentric crown over the wire, producing pulsatile mechanical forces³
- ✓ These pulsatile forces may affect deeper plaque and contribute to compliance change^{4*}

*Results vary based upon plaque morphology, calcification, and anatomy.



Crown surface: 30 micron diamonds, 10 micron exposed.⁵

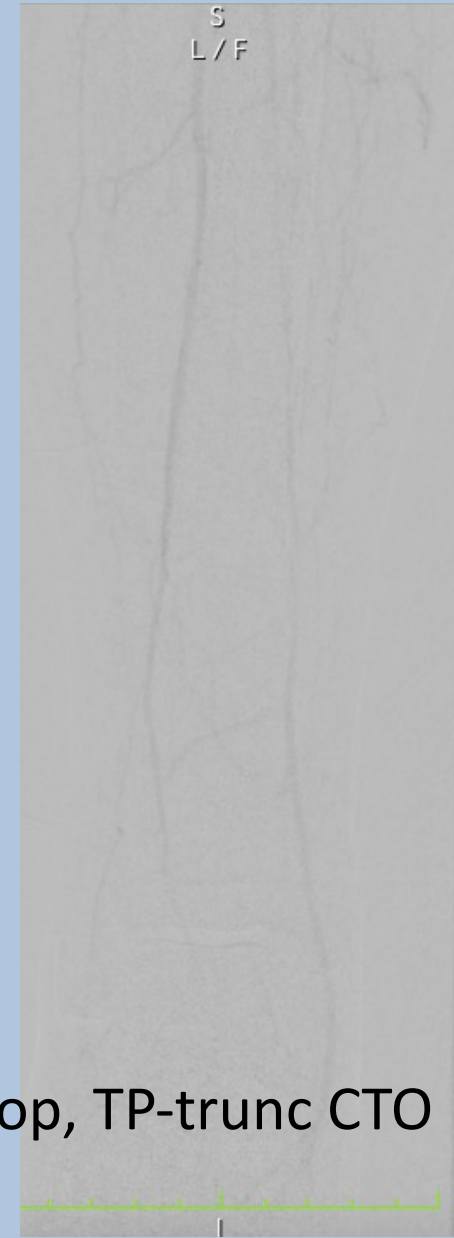
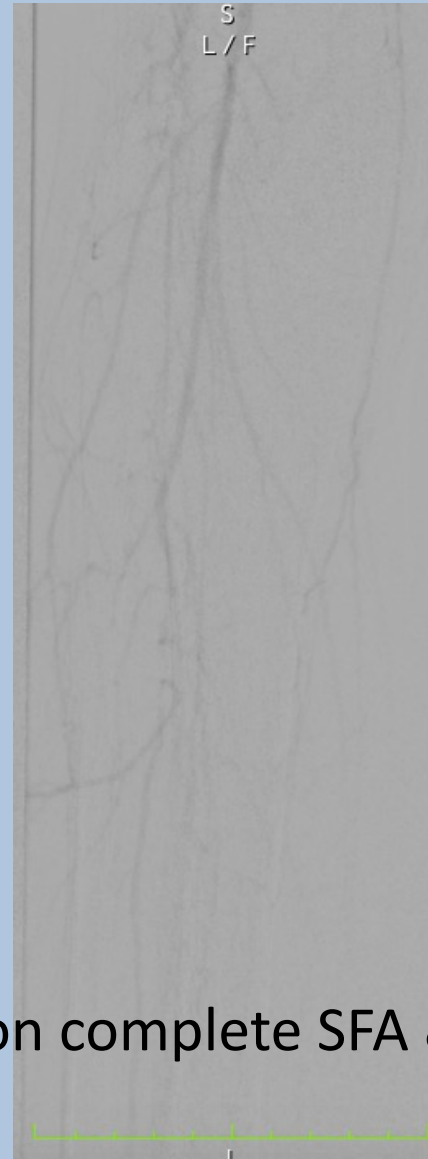
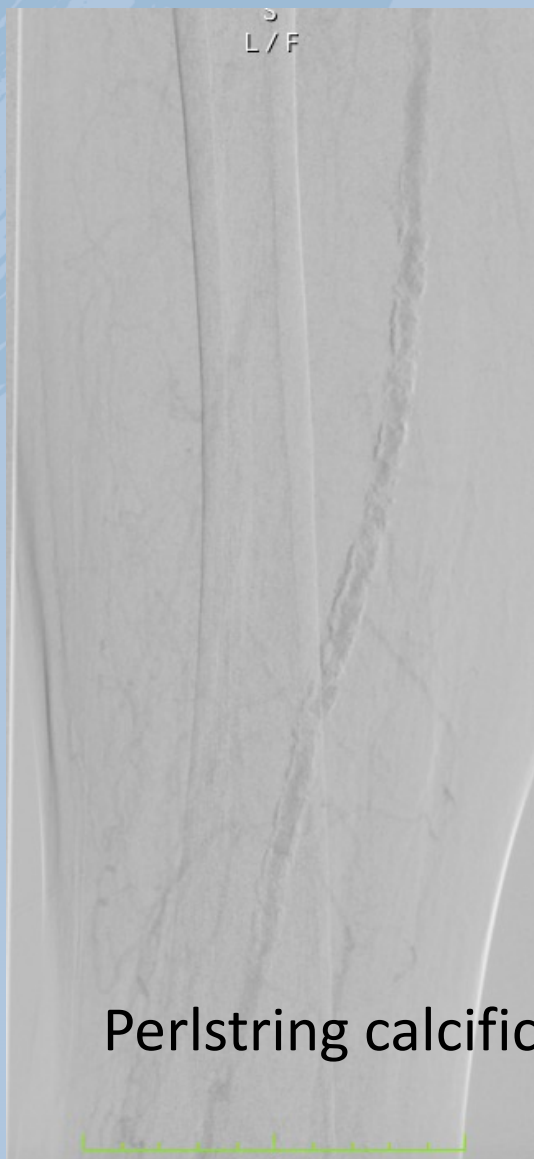


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Case example OA +DCB

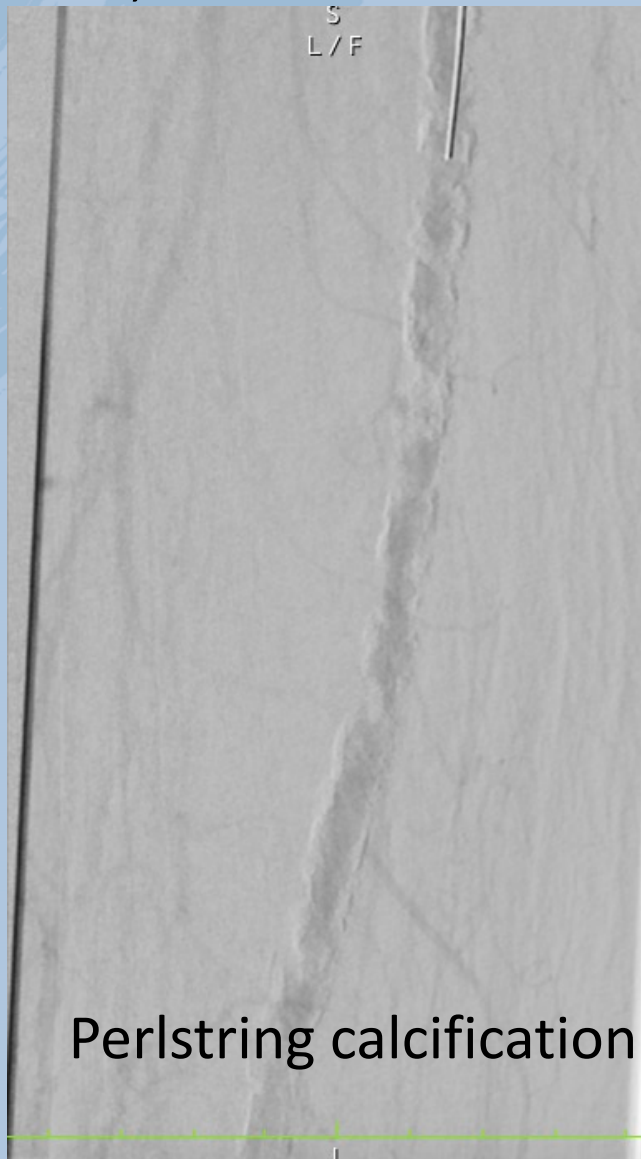
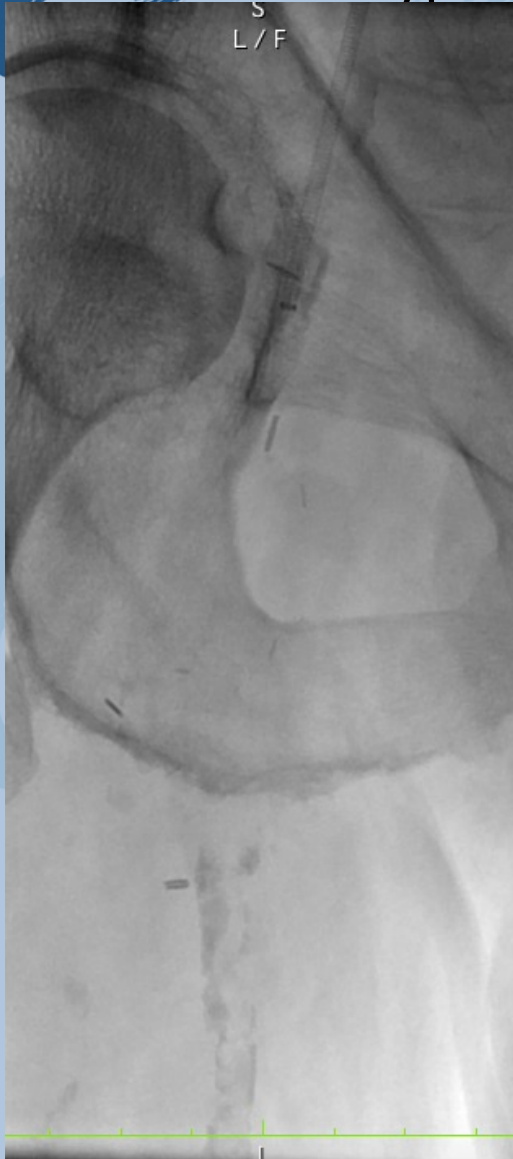
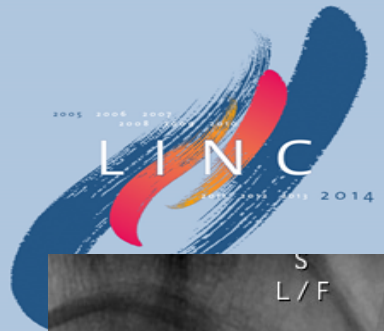
70yo male progressing Rutherford VI, recent surgical TEA of CFA, renal insufficiency, hypertension, diabetes



Perlstring calcification complete SFA & pop, TP-trunc CTO

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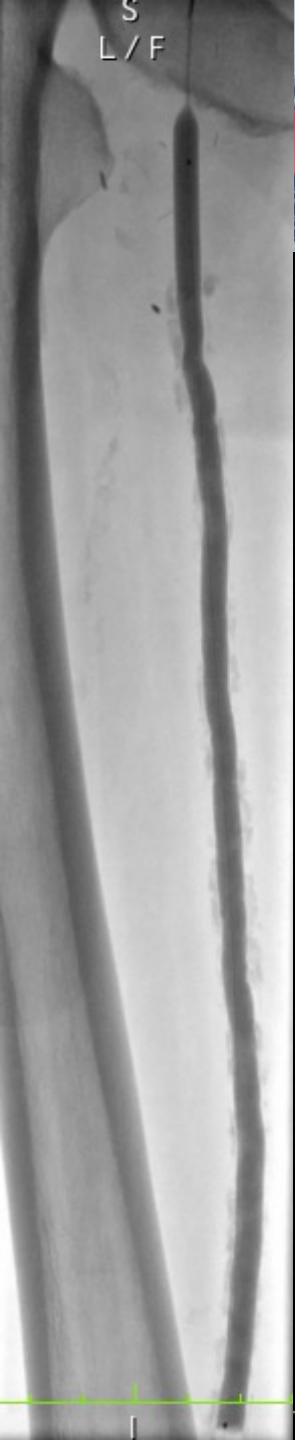
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OA od complete SFA, POP and TP trunc with 2.0 solid

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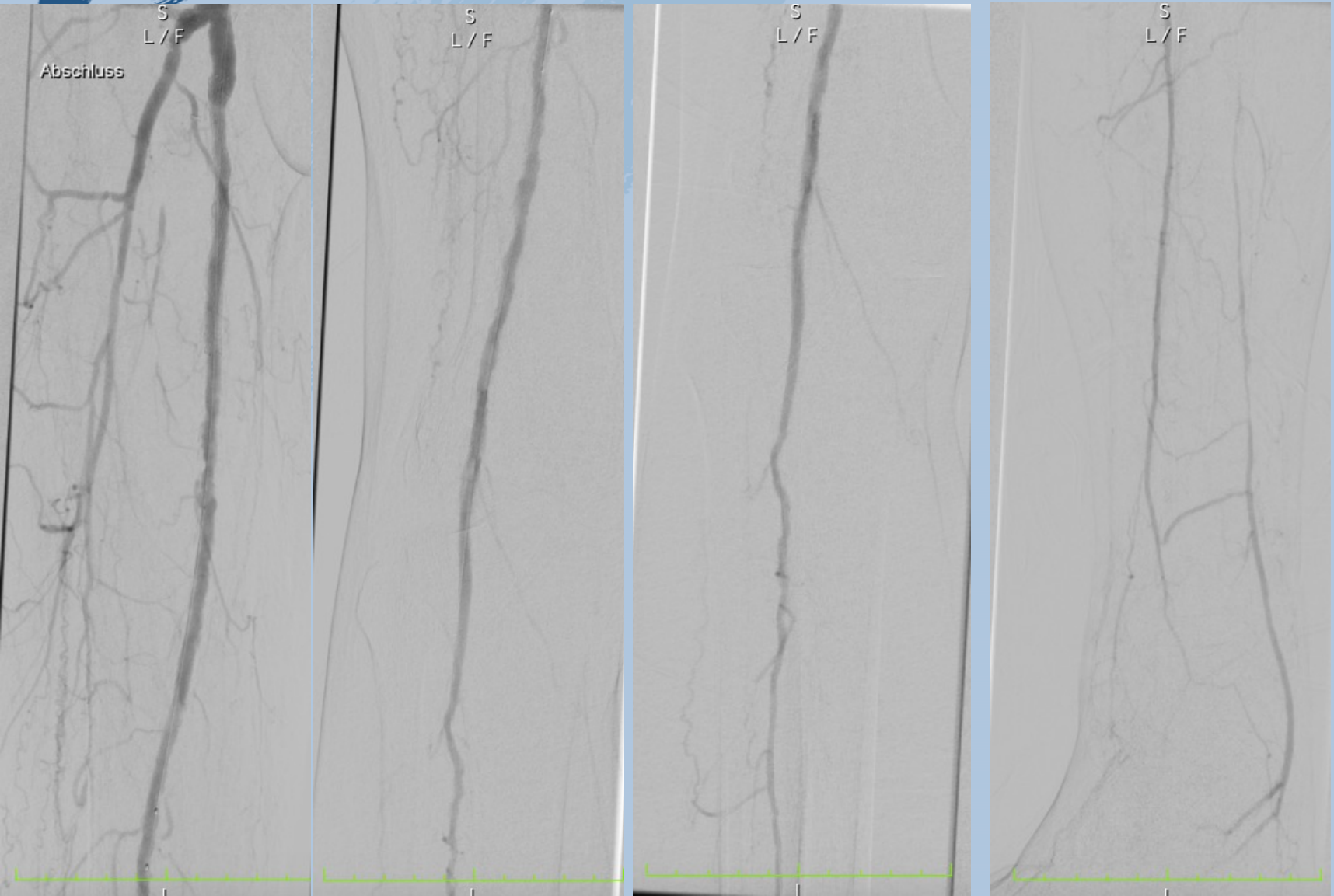


OA followed by 6x200,
5x200 ,4x120 DCBs

Peroneal calcium cracked
with ultra low profile 2,8F Balloon

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Final result



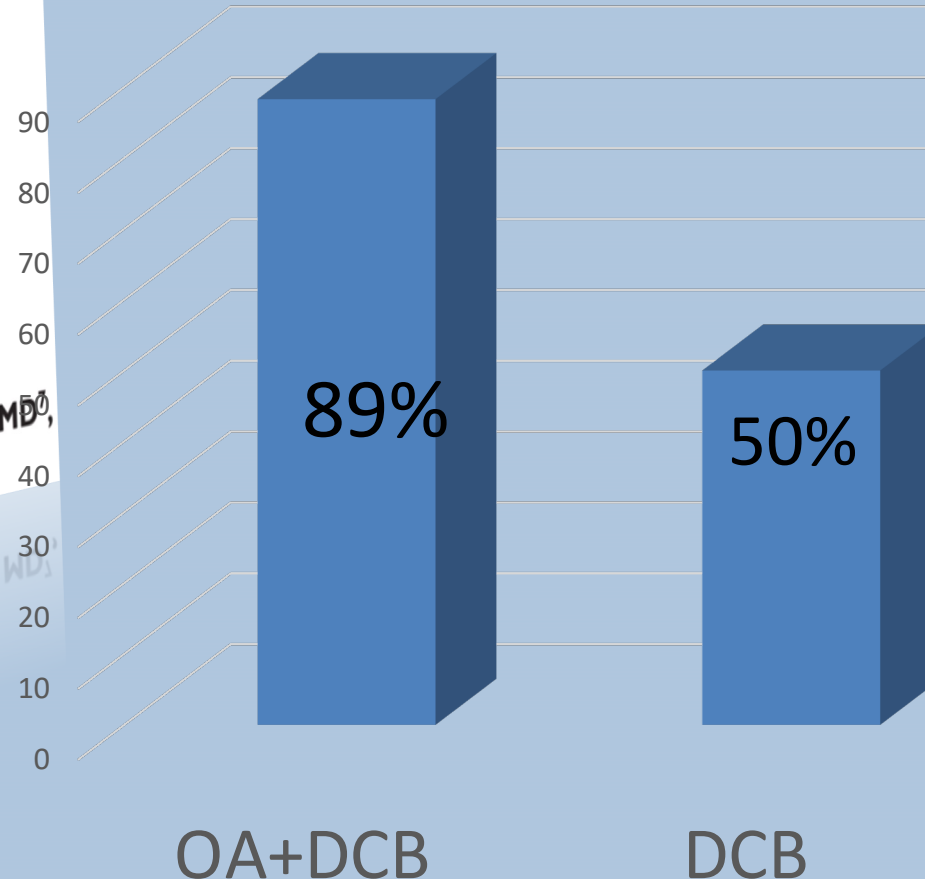
Optimize BTK

60 patients randomized 1:1
OA+DCB vs. DCB

Primary Patency @ 12 months

Orbital Atherectomy Prior to Drug-Coated Balloon Angioplasty in Calcified Infrapopliteal Lesions: A Randomized, Multicenter Pilot Study

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Optimize BTK

66 patients randomized 1:1
OA+DCB vs. DCB

Strong trend favouring OA+DCB in primary patency
88% (OA+DCB) vs. 50% (DCB) and trend concerning technical
success (**93,3 vs 83,3**)

**However – limb salvage, survival and freedom from redo-
interventions showed no statistical relevant differences after 1
yrs between both groups**

More research with bigger cohorts is needed for robust
decision making in the BTK vascular bed



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