



# Predictors and Clinical Outcomes of Successful Recanalization in Native Coronary Chronic Total Occlusion: **The B-CTO (Busan Single-Center CTO Registry) Data**

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# Topics

1. Predictors of CTO Opening
2. Long-term Outcomes

# Review PCI Guidelines

- CTO-PCI is holding a Class II recommendation in current guidelines.

CTOs Recommendations	Class	Level
<b>2011 AHA</b>		
PCI of a CTO in patients with appropriate clinical indications and suitable anatomy is reasonable when performed by operators with appropriate expertise	IIa	B
<b>2014 ESC</b>		
Percutaneous recanalization of CTOs should be considered in patients with expected ischemia reduction in a corresponding myocardial territory and/or angina relief.	IIa	B
Retrograde recanalization of CTOs may be considered after a failed anterograde approach or as the primary approach in selected patients.	IIb	C

*Levine GN, et al. J Am Coll Cardiol 2011.  
Kolh P, et al. Eur J Cardiothorac Surg 2014.*

# However...

- **It is less attempted, due to:**
  1. Historically **low** procedural **success rate** (51-74%);
  2. More **complexity** (GC support, dedicated devices: micro-catheter, GWs, IVUS, “hybird” technique, balloon/stent delivery);
  3. **High risk** of **complication** (myocardial injury, perforation, tamponade, contrast induced nephropathy).

*Abbott JD, et al. Am J Cardiol 2006.  
Brilakis ES, et al. JACC Cardiovasc Interv 2015.*

# CTO Meta-analysis

- **Successful CTO opening may be benefit for:**
  1. Angina symptom improvement;
  2. LV function improvement;
  3. Survival improvement;
  4. Reduce subsequent MI.

*Khan MF, et al. Catheter Cardiovasc Interv 2015;85:781-794.  
Christakopoulos GE, et al. Am J Cardiol 2015;115:1367-1375.*

# What the Critical for CTO Opening Success?

## 1. Pre-procedure Evaluation, e.g.

➤ clinical presentation, CTO lesion characteristics;

## 2. Dedicated CTO devices (e.g. GWs, micro-catheter)

## 3. Operators' Skills

*Brilakis ES, et al. JACC Cardiovasc Interv 2015.*

# What the Critical for CTO Opening Success?

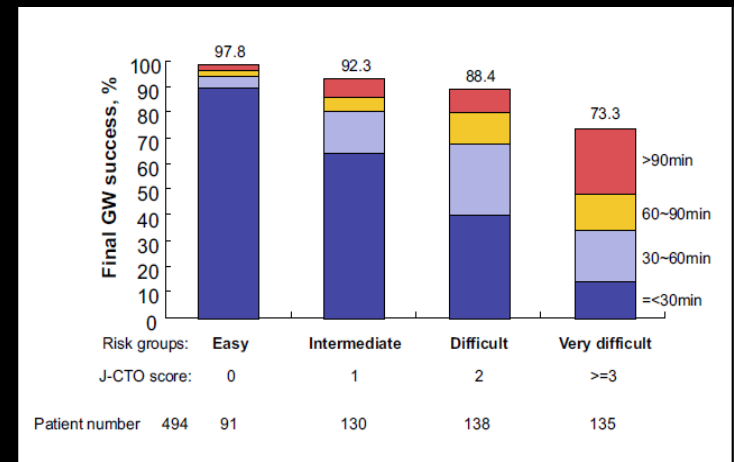
- **Pre-procedure Evaluation is major critical.**
  - Like J-CTO Score...

# Japanese Multicenter CTO Registry (J-CTO) Score

- As well known, J-CTO score was widely used as a tool for assessment of **lesion severity** and prediction of successful guidewire crossing **within 30 min**.

**Table 4. Difficulty Score for CTO Lesions (J-CTO Score): 5 Selected Independent Predictors Identified by the Forward/Backward Procedure**

Variables	Odds Ratio (95% CI)	Beta Coefficient	Point
Previously failed lesion	0.39 (0.15–0.97)	0.93	1
Blunt stump type	0.32 (0.18–0.55)	1.14	1
Bending	0.34 (0.20–0.58)	1.09	1
Calcification	0.26 (0.15–0.44)	1.36	1
Occlusion length $\geq 20$ mm	0.19 (0.09–0.39)	1.65	1



**Figure 4. The Risk Groups of Difficulty and Final Procedural Success Rates**

Probability of success of the procedure in each risk category by J-CTO score. Actual GW manipulation time required for successful GW crossing superimposed in these bar graphs by stratifying into 4 time intervals. Abbreviations as in Figures 1 and 2.



# However...

- J-CTO score limitations:
  - 1) Only use **angiographic** parameters;
  - 2) **Did not** predict the **final** technique success.

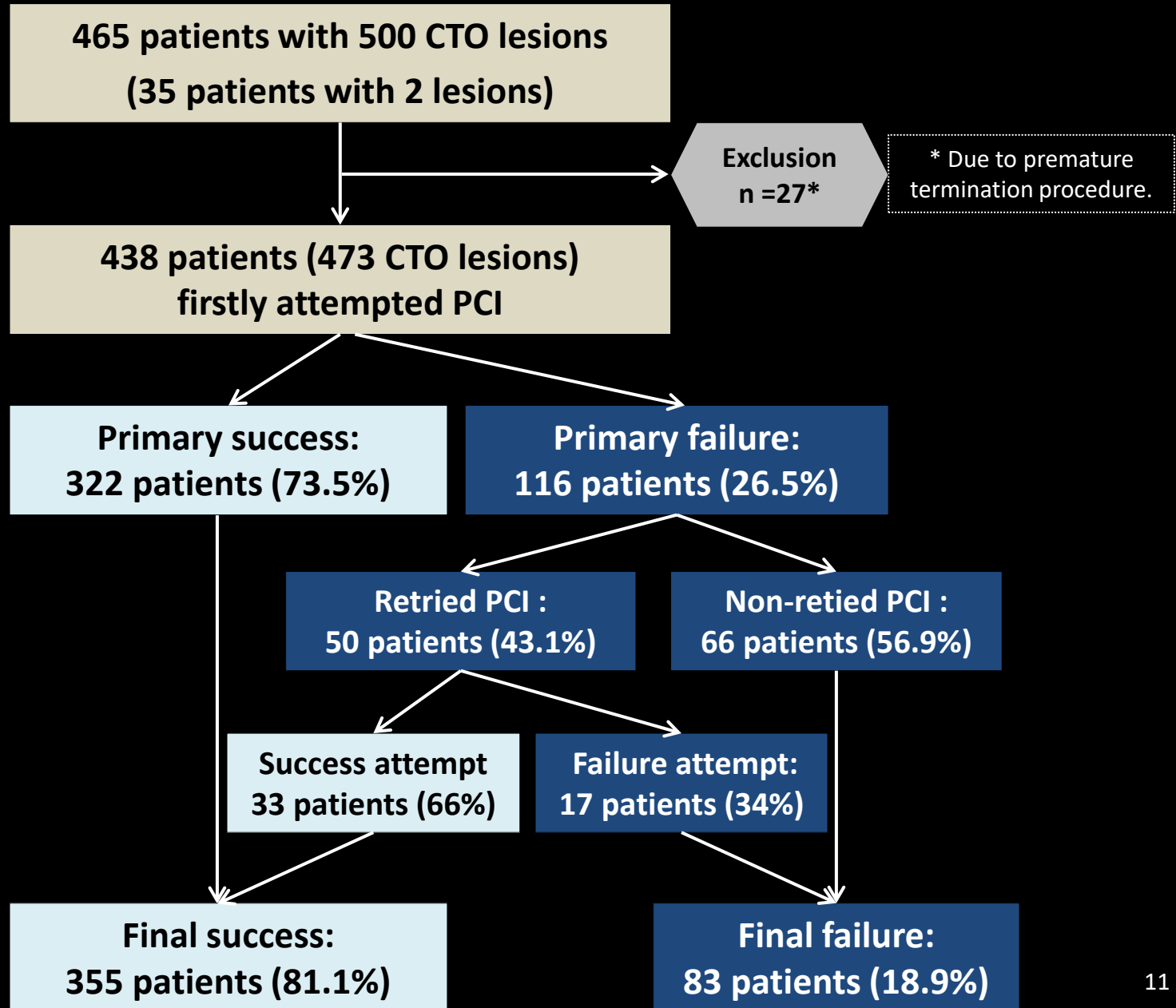
# Objective

- Whether J-CTO score is suitable for Korean CTO cases?

If not,

- We aim to make and validate a novel scoring system called the B-CTO score, which takes into account **clinical** and **angiographic** predictors in Busan CTO Registry.

# Patient flow and overall study design



# Study Criteria

- **Inclusion criteria**

- Patients were first-attempted CTO-PCI.

- **Exclusion criteria**

- Early terminated procedure.

- Patients presented AMI within 4 weeks.

- High risk of bleeding

- Severe kidney dysfunction.

- Cancer, life expectancy <3 years.

# Study Definitions

- Chronic Total Occlusion (CTO): TIMI flow 0 with >3-month duration.
- Angiographic success: <20% of final residual stenosis with TIMI grade  $\geq 2$  flow on visual assessment.
- Hard major clinical events:
  - **HMACE**: composite of CV death, non-fatal MI and stroke.

# Statistical Analysis

- **PASW Statistics (version 18.0; SPSS Inc., Chicago, IL, USA)**
  - Continuous variables: Independent-samples t-test (or Mann-Whitney test)
  - Categorical variables: Chi-square statistics or Fisher's exact test.
  - **Multivariate logistic regression, Hosmer-Lemeshow test.**
  - **ROC curves comparison analysis.**
- **SAS software (version 9.4, SAS Institute, Cary, NC, USA)**
  - Integrated discrimination improvement (**IDI**) and net reclassification improvement (**NRI**).

# Results

## Results (1) Baseline clinical data

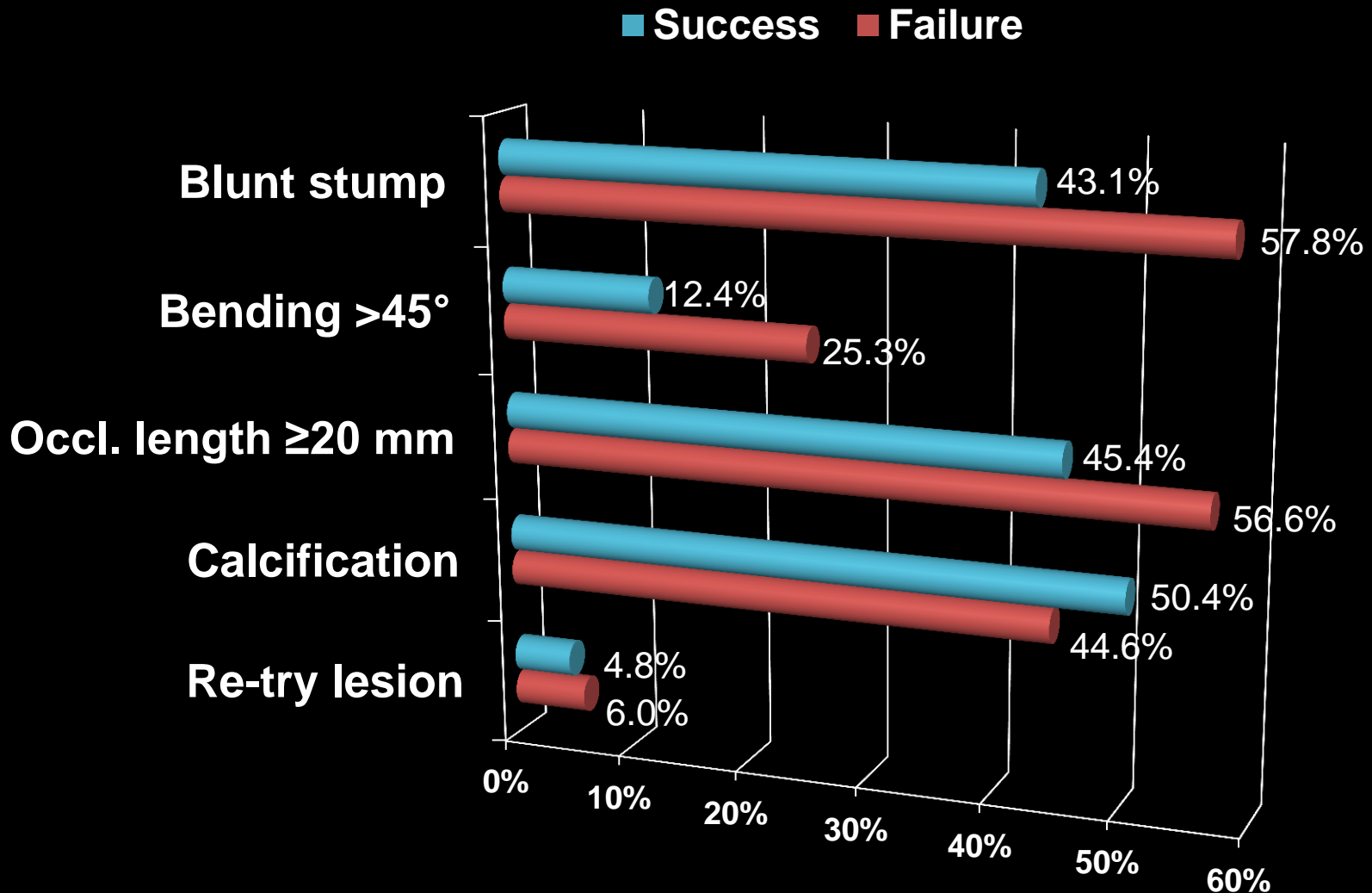
Variables	Failure (n =83)	Success (n =355)	P value
Age, years	62±10	61±10	0.250
≥75, n (%)	14 (16.9)	36 (10.1)	0.083
Male gender, n (%)	56 (67.5)	278 (78.3)	0.037
BMI, kg/m <sup>2</sup>	24.9±3.4	25.0±3.3	0.926
Cardiovascular risk factor, n (%)			
Hypertension	48 (57.8)	194 (54.6)	0.600
Diabetes	29 (34.9)	130 (36.6)	0.774
Dyslipidemia	16 (19.3)	59 (16.6)	0.563
Current Smoking	20 (24.1)	91 (25.6)	0.772
Previous disease, n (%)			
Prior MI	9 (10.8)	55 (15.5)	0.280
Prior PCI	20 (24.1)	112 (31.5)	0.188
Prior CABG	1 (1.1)	6 (1.7)	>0.999
Clinical presentation, n (%)			0.431
Stable angina	30 (36.1)	114 (32.1)	
Unstable angina	30 (36.1)	156 (43.9)	
Current MI	23 (27.8)	85 (24.0)	
LVEF, %	50±12	51±12	0.982
LVEF <40%, n (%)	14 (16.9)	68 (19.2)	0.631



## Results (2) Angiographic data

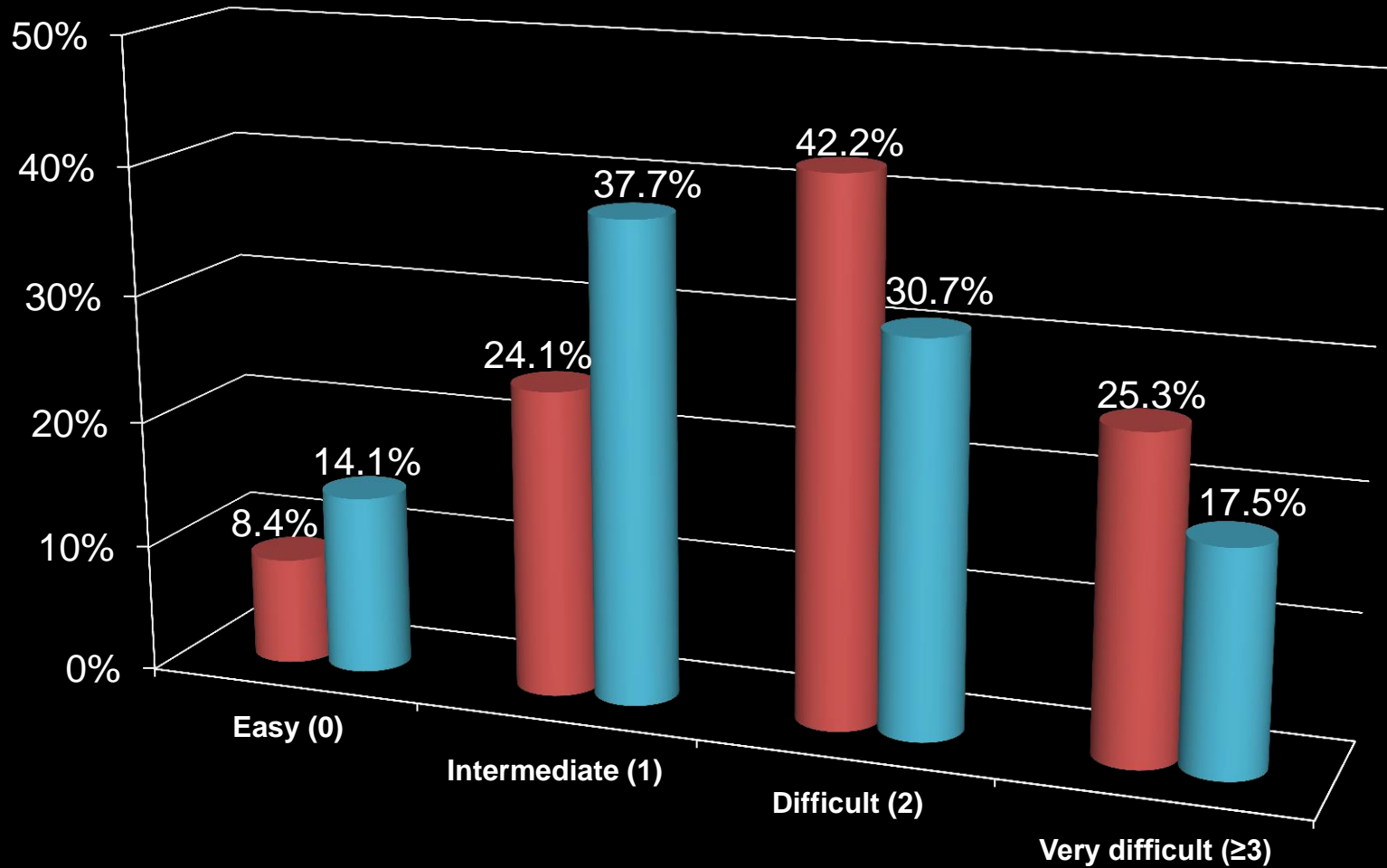
Variables	Failure (n =83)	Success (n =355)	P value
Multi-vessel, n (%)	59 (71.1)	262 (73.8)	0.614
CTO lesion location, n (%)			0.457
Proximal	43 (51.8)	158 (44.5)	
Mid	26 (31.3)	122 (34.3)	
Distal	14 (16.9)	75 (21.1)	
Target CTO artery, n (%)			0.039
LAD	27 (32.5)	151 (42.5)	
LCX	8 (9.6)	53 (14.9)	
RCA	48 (57.8)	151 (42.5)	

## Results (3) J-CTO score members

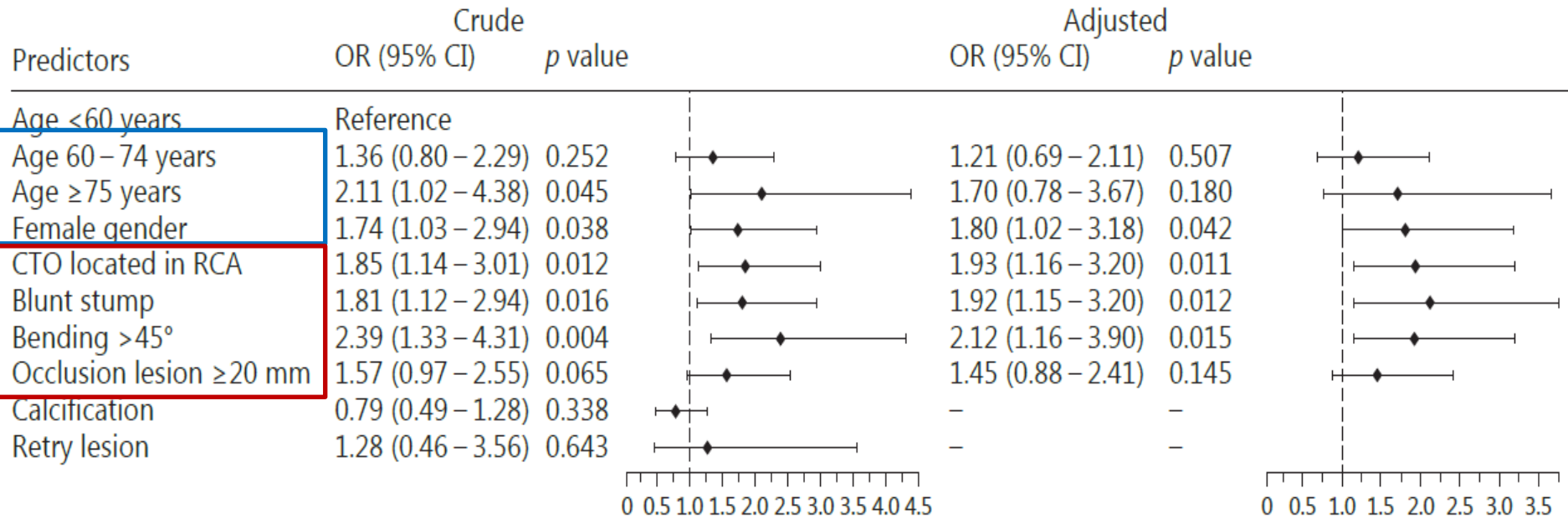


# Results (4) J-CTO score points

■ Failure ■ Success  
1.92±1.02 1.56±1.03



# Results (5) Multivariate Logistic Regression



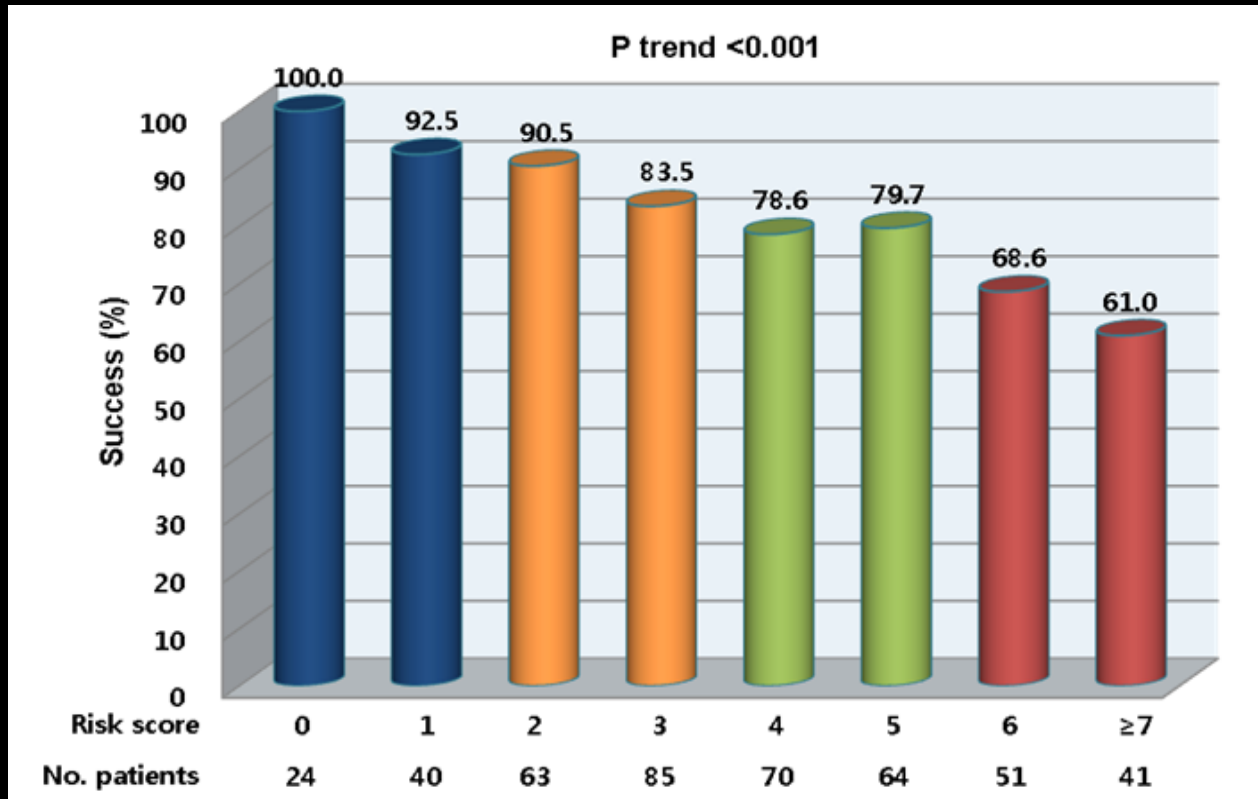
- Points were assigned using the method described by *Charlson (1987)*.  
*Charlson ME, et al. J Chronic Dis 1987; 40:373-383.*  
*Steyerberg E, et al. Clinical prediction models. New York: Springer; 2009*

## # B-CTO Score points assignment

OR ref.	Points*
≥1.2, <1.5	1
≥1.5, <2.4	2
≥2.5, <3.4	3
≥3.5, <4.4	4

Vaviable	Adjusted OR	Points
Age 60-74	1.21(0.69 – 2.11)	1
Age ≥75 years	1.70(0.78 – 3.67)	2
Female gender	1.80(1.02 – 3.18)	2
CTO located at RCA	1.93(1.16 – 3.20)	2
Blunt stump	1.92(1.15 – 3.20)	2
Bending >45°	2.12(1.16 – 3.90)	2
Occlu. lesion ≥20mm	1.45(0.88 – 2.41)	1

# Results (6) B-CTO Score and Technique Success



## Results (7)

### Comparison of Predictive Models for CTO Opening

Models	AUC	$\Delta$ AUC	P Value	IDI	Category-free NRI
<b>Base Model: (J-CTO)</b>	0.598	-	-	-	-
<b>Model 1</b>	0.620	0.022 (-0.023-0.068)	0.336	-0.037 (-0.186-0.111)	0.129 (-0.085-0.343)
<b>Model 2 (B-CTO )</b>	0.681	<b>0.083</b> (0.025-0.141)	0.005	<b>0.042</b> (0.023-0.062)	<b>0.560</b> (0.349-0.772)
<b>Base Model: (Model 1)</b>	0.620	-	-	-	-
<b>Model 2</b>	0.681	0.061 (0.017-0.104)	0.006	0.034 (0.019-0.049)	0.418 (0.204-0.632)

AUC = area under the receiver operating characteristic curve;

IDI = integrated discrimination improvement; NRI = net reclassification improvement.

$\Delta$ AUC was indicated as AUC differences in predictive models.

Base model = J-CTO score model;

Model 1 = Clinical-based model (additional adjustment for age and gender);

Model 2 = B-CTO score model (Busan Single-Center CTO Registry).

## Results (8). Clinical F/U data (Median 40 months)

Events	Failure (n =83)	Success (n =355)	HR (95% CI)	P value
<b>Hard MACE*</b>	5 (6.0)	11 (3.1)	0.47 (0.16-1.35)	0.162
<b>Cardiac death</b>	1 (1.2)	1 (0.3)		
<b>Non-fatal MI</b>	3 (3.6)	4 (1.1)		
<b>Stroke</b>	1 (1.2)	6 (1.7)		

\* HMACE: hard major clinical events: composite of cardiac death, non-fatal MI and stroke.



# Summary

1. Present study is the first to predict CTO opening success by combining clinical characteristics and angiographic parameters.
2. The B-CTO scoring system can be successfully applied for improved stratification and discrimination specifically in Korean patients.
3. Successful CTO opening did not further improve hard MACE, CV death, non-fatal MI and stroke.

# Study limitations

1. It is a single-center, observational study and relative small proportion of failure cases (n =85, 19%).
2. We mainly applied antegrade (92.7%), B-CTO scoring system was not validated for retrograde approach.
3. CTO interventional era bias. Data collection suffered from a prolonged duration (over 15 years).
4. The operators' skill, as well as new CTO devices. which also influence on success or not.

# Conclusion

- B-CTO score is an improved tool for predicting successful CTO opening, which has been designed and validated in Busan CTO Registry. Wider application remains to be explored.
- The risk of Hard MACE was minimal, do not depend on the procedure success. Further study is warranted to validate the present results with large population.



Original research

# Long-term clinical outcomes after successful and failed native chronic Total occlusion: Insights from the Busan occlusion (B-CTO) Registry<sup>☆</sup>

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ABSTRACT

**Objective:** To assess hard major adverse clinical ev coronary intervention for chronic total occlusion (P Background: There are limited data regarding long-t Methods: First-time PCI was performed in 438 cons procedural success (n = 355; 378 CTO lesions) and f 40 months (7–77 months range). We compared H infarction (MI), and stroke) dependent on the succe Results: The incidence of HMACE was low, with a tot [0.16–1.35; p = 0.162] dependent on the success of l 0.22; CI [0.01–3.50]; p = 0.283), non fatal MI (1.1% strokes [1.7% vs. 1.2%, RR = 1.32; CI [0.16–10.99], p Conclusions: The risks of HMACE after PCI-CTO over the procedure success. This unexpected finding sor and should be confirmed in the adequately powerec

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Abstract

**Background:** The optimal strategy to manage chronic total occlusion (CTO) remains unclear. The Japanese CTO multi-center registry (J-CTO) score is an established tool for predicting successful recanalization. However, it does not take into account nonangiographic predictors for final technique success. In the present study, we designed and tested a scoring model called the Busan single-center CTO registry (B-CTO) score combining clinical and angiographic characteristics to predict successful CTO recanalization in Korean patients. **Methods:** Prospectively enrolled CTO patients (n = 438) undergoing coronary intervention (1999–2015) were assessed. The B-CTO score comprises 6 independent predictors: age 60–74 years and lesion length ≥20 mm were assigned 1 point each, while age ≥75 years, female gender, lesion location in the right coronary artery, blunt stump, and bending >45° were assigned 2 points each. For each predic-

tor, the points assigned were based on the associated odds ratio by multivariate analysis. The lesions were classified into 4 groups according to the summation of points scored to assess the probability of successful CTO recanalization: easy (score 0–1), intermediate (score 2–3), difficult (score 4–5), and very difficult (score ≥6). CTO opening was designated as the primary endpoint regardless of the interventional era or the skill of the operator. **Results:** The final success rate for B-CTO was 81.1%. The probability of successful recanalization for patient groups classified as easy (n = 64), intermediate (n = 148), difficult (n = 134), and very difficult (n = 92) was 95.3, 86.5, 79.1 and 65.2%, respectively (p for trend <0.001). When compared to the J-CTO, the B-CTO score demonstrated a significant improvement in discrimination as indicated by the area under the receiver-operator characteristic curve (AUC 0.083; 95% CI 0.025–0.141), with a positive integrated discrimination improvement of 0.042 and a net reclassification improvement of 56.0%. **Conclusions:** The B-CTO score has been designed and validated in Korean patients with native coronary CTO and is an improved tool for predicting successful recanalization. Wider application of the B-CTO score remains to be explored.

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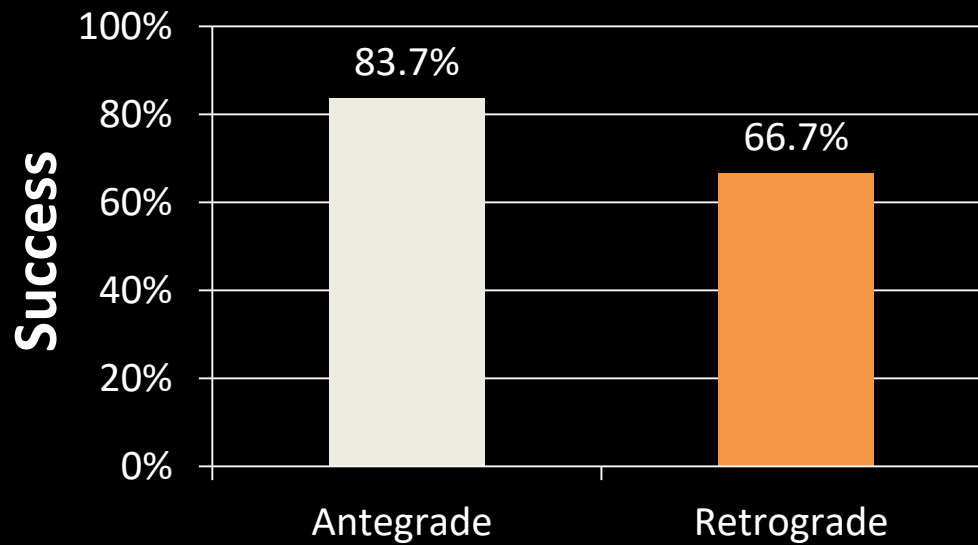
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**Table S. Guidewire crossing technique**

	<b>Failure</b>	<b>Success</b>	
	<b>(n =83)</b>	<b>(n =355)</b>	<b>P value</b>
<b>Antegrade GW technique</b>			<b>0.004</b>
<b>Single</b>	55 (66.3)	272 (76.6)	
<b>Parallel</b>	25 (30.1)	54 (15.2)	
<b>Retrograde GW technique</b>			<b>0.354</b>
<b>Retrograde GW cross (Rendezvous)</b>	0 (0)	13 (3.7)	
<b>Kissing GW cross</b>	1 (1.2)	6 (1.7)	
<b>CART</b>	0 (0)	0 (0)	
<b>Reverse CART</b>	2 (2.4)	10 (2.8)	
<b>IVUS-guided re-entry</b>	3 (3.6)	5 (1.4)	<b>NA</b>

**Table S. Guidewire crossing technique**

	Antegrade (N=369)	Retrograde (N=69)	P value
<b>Success rate</b>	309 (83.7)	46 (66.7)	0.001

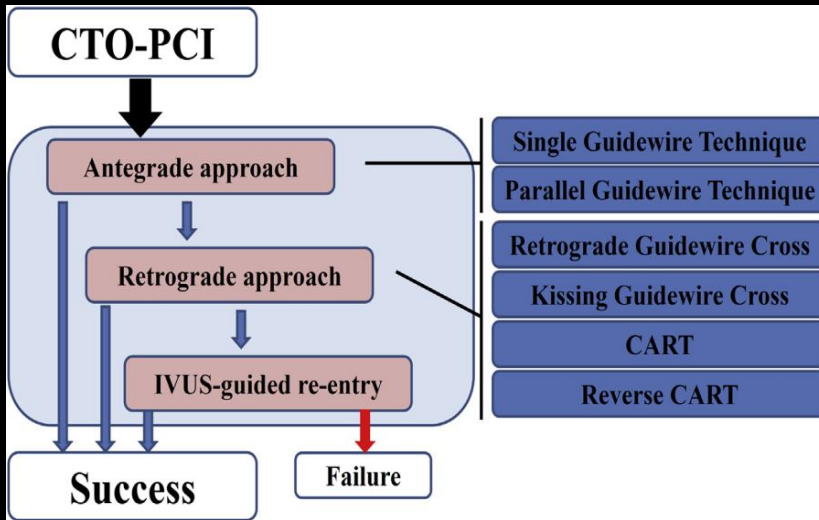




# B-CTO scoring model validation

	r	95% CI	P value
1. Correlation	0.595	0.531-0.652	<0.001
	$\chi^2$		P value
2. Calibration	2.14		0.829
	AUC	95% CI	P value
3. Discrimination	0.681	0.635-0.724	<0.001

# CTO GW-crossing technique

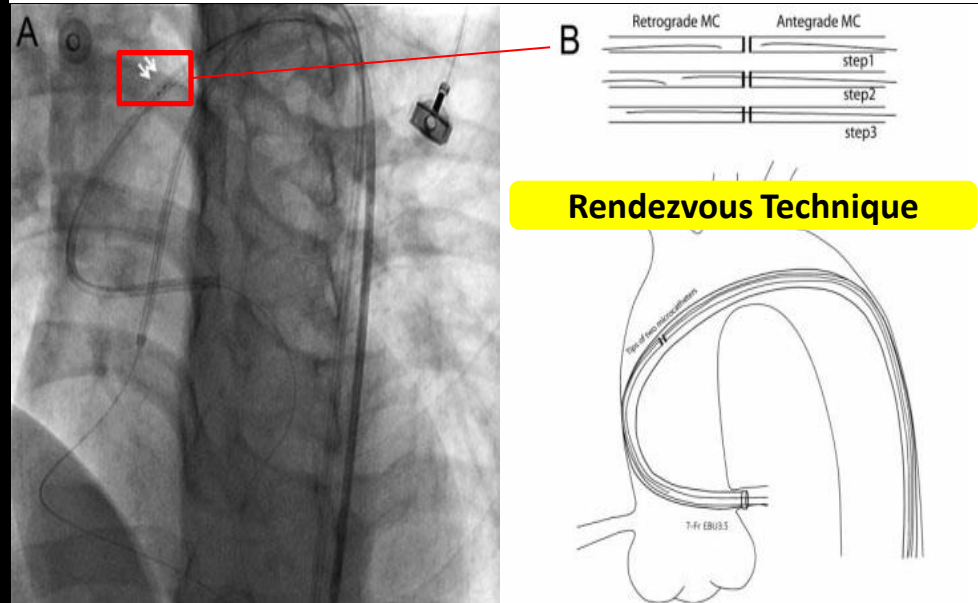


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## A New Retrograde Wiring Technique for Chronic Total Occlusion

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To improve the success rate of percutaneous coronary intervention for coronary chronic total occlusion (CTO), different strategies of retrograde approach were introduced in recent years. The aim of this report is to describe a new retrograde wiring technique for CTO, the "Bridge or Rendezvous method." This new technique saves time, reduces cost, as well as reduces procedure-related complications. © 2009 Wiley-Liss, Inc.



Kim MH, et al. *Catheter Cardiovasc Interv* 2010.

# Study Definitions

- Periprocedural myocardial injury (PMI): cardiac troponin (cTn) >5x99th percentile URL post-PCI 48 hours.
- Contrast induced nephropathy (CIN): creatinine increase >0.5mg/dl or 25% baseline value within 48 hours after contrast administration.

## Result (8)

### Complication & In-hospital Adverse Events

Variables	Failure (n =83)	Success (n =355)	P value
<b>Peri-procedural complication</b>	6 (7.2)	13 (3.7)	0.225
Collateral channel injury	4 (4.8)	6 (1.7)	
Coronary perforation	1 (1.2)	2 (0.6)	
Cardiac tamponade	1 (1.2)	3 (0.8)	
Side branch occlusion	0 (0)	2 (0.6)	
PMI	11 (13.3)	31 (8.7)	0.208
CIN	1 (1.2)	8 (2.3)	
<b>In-hospital cardiac events</b>	1 (1.2)	2 (0.6)	0.468
<b>Cardiac death</b>	1 (1.2)	1 (0.3)	
<b>Non-fatal MI</b>	0 (0)	1 (0.3)	

## Results (8). Clinical F/U data (Median 40 months)

Events	Failure (n =83)	Success (n =355)	HR (95% CI)	P value
<b>MACCEs†</b>	23 (27.7)	45 (12.7)	0.47 (0.28-0.79)	0.004
<b>Hard MACE*</b>	5 (6.0)	11 (3.1)	0.47 (0.16-1.35)	0.162
<b>Cardiac death</b>	1 (1.2)	1 (0.3)		
<b>Non-fatal MI</b>	3 (3.6)	4 (1.1)		
<b>Stroke</b>	1 (1.2)	6 (1.7)		
<b>Repeat revascularization‡</b>	16 (19.3)	30 (8.5)	0.47 (0.25-0.86)	0.015
<b>Repeat PCI</b>	3 (3.6)	21 (5.9)		
<b>CABG</b>	13 (15.7)	4 (1.1)		

† MACCEs: composite of cardiac death, non-fatal MI, repeat revascularization and stroke.

\* HMACE: hard major clinical events: composite of cardiac death, non-fatal MI and stroke.

‡ Repeat revascularization included interventional or surgical target vessel revascularization.