

# 40 years of PCI and 20 years of LM PCI

## Insights From the MAIN-COMPARE and IRIS-MAIN Registries

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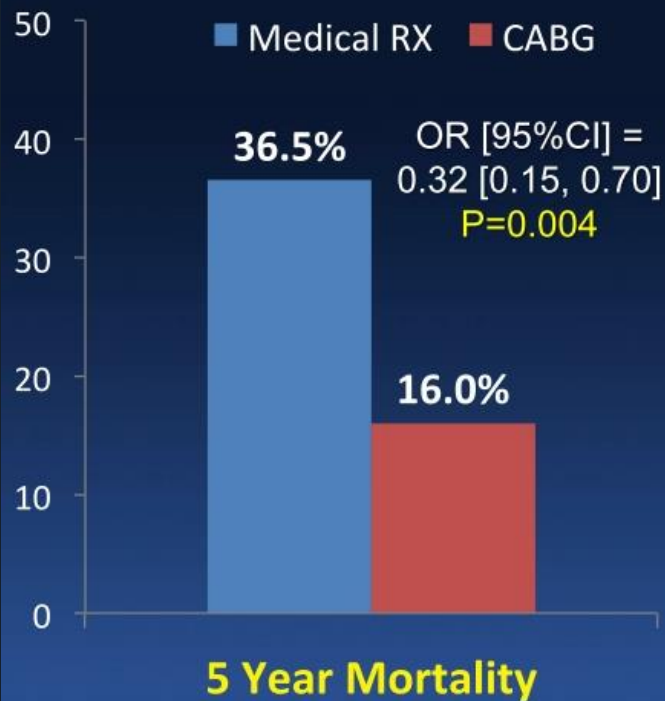
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# Left Main Revascularization

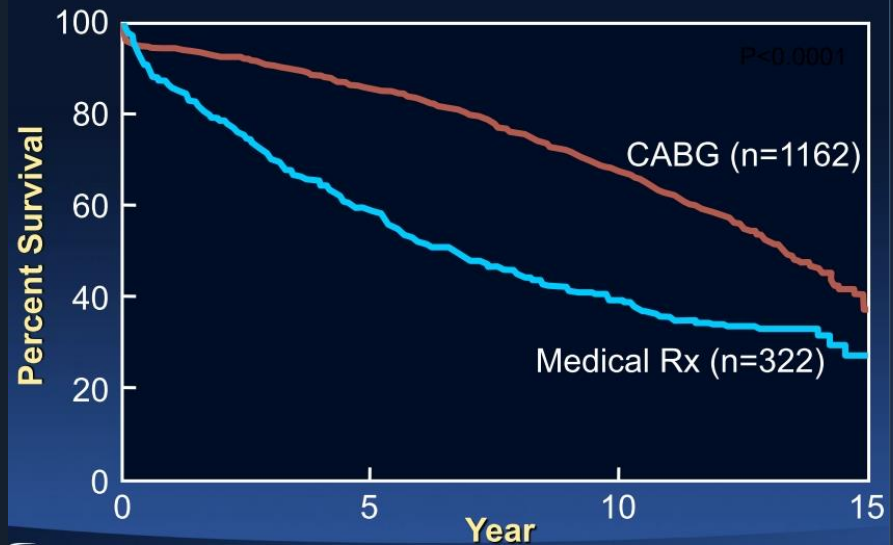
## 40 years ago

CABG vs. Medical Rx  
(150 pts, VA and EU RCT)



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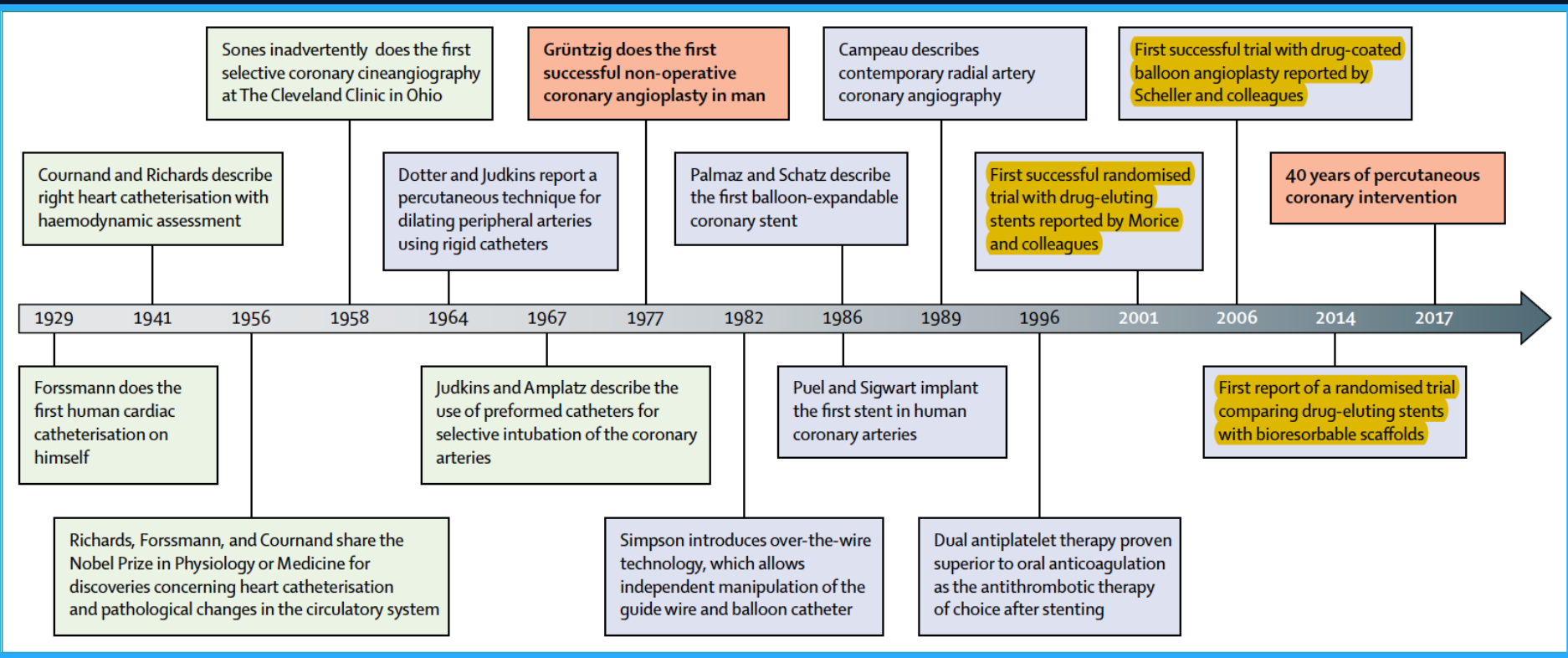
CABG vs. Medical Rx  
(1484 pts, CASS Registry)



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PCI was not considered as an Tx option

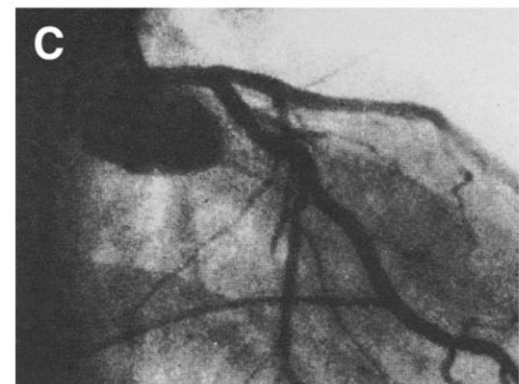
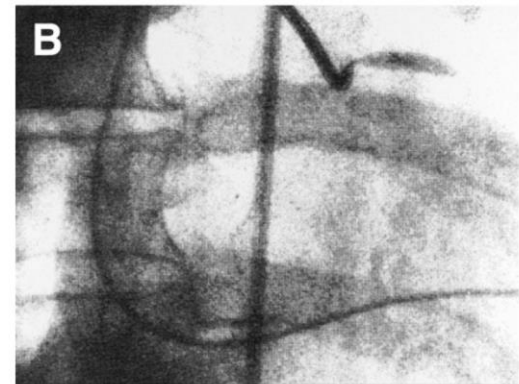
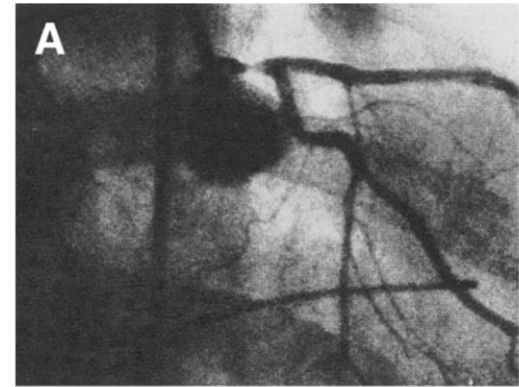
# 40-Years Long Journey of PCI



## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

# First Percutaneous Catheter Intervention for Left Main Coronary Artery Disease: 30 Years Ago

Gruntzig A. [Lancet](#). 1978;1(8058):263.  
Transluminal dilatation of coronary-artery stenosis.



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## Stenting of Unprotected Left Main Coronary Artery Stenoses: Immediate and Late Outcomes

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**Objectives.** We examined the immediate and long-term outcomes after stenting of unprotected left main coronary artery (LMCA) stenoses in patients with normal left ventricular (LV) function.

**Background.** Left main coronary artery disease is regarded as an absolute contraindication for coronary angioplasty. Recently, several reports on protected or unprotected LMCA stenting, or both, suggested the possibility of percutaneous intervention for this prohibited area.

**Methods.** Forty-two consecutive patients with unprotected LMCA stenoses and normal LV function were treated with stents. The post-stent antithrombotic regimens were aspirin and ticlopidine; 14 patients also received warfarin. Patients were followed very closely with monthly telephone interviews and follow-up angiography at 6 months.

**Results.** The procedural success rate was 100%, with no epi-

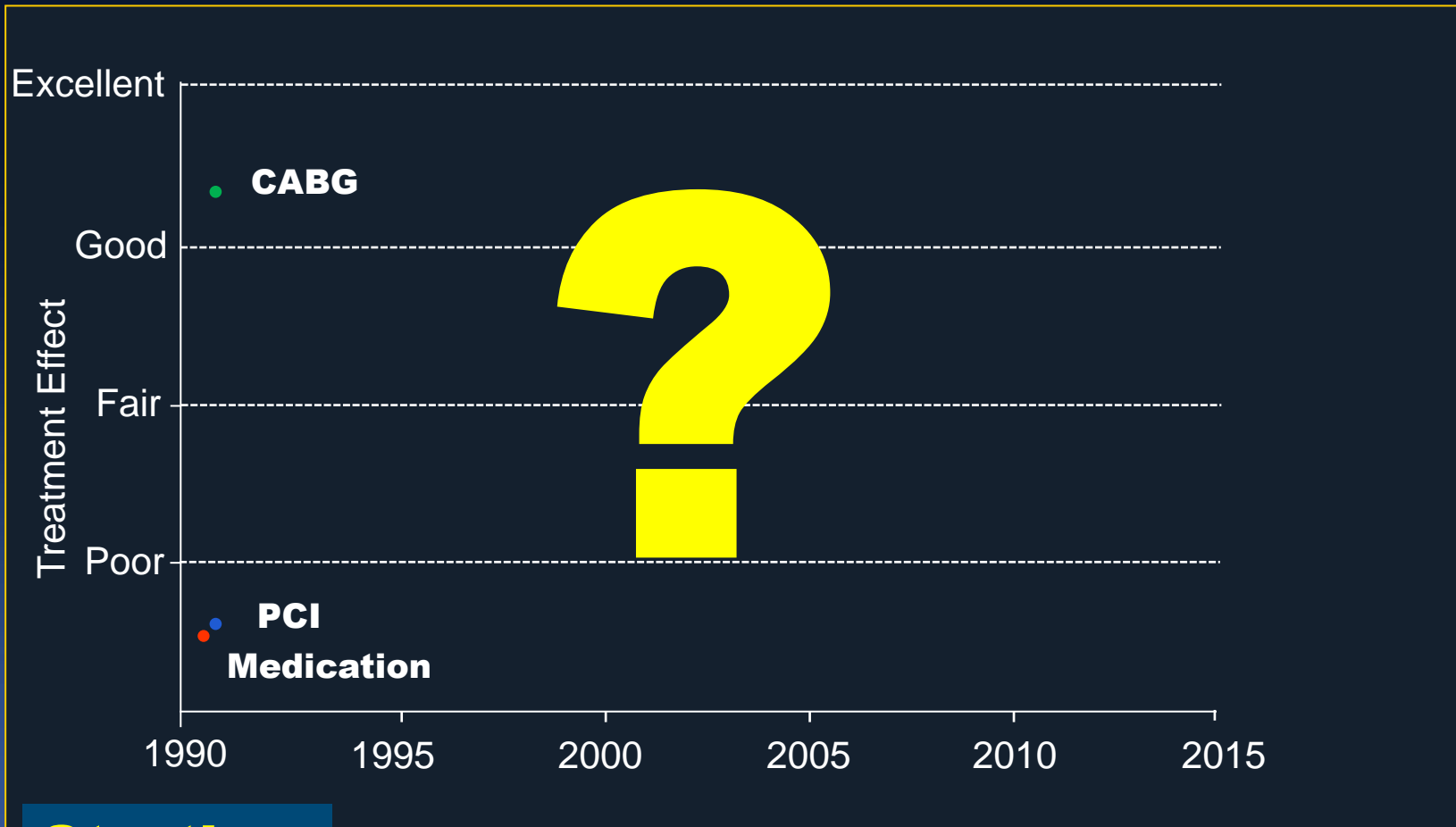
sodes of subacute thrombosis regardless of anticoagulation regimen. Six-month follow-up angiography was performed in 32 of 34 eligible patients. Angiographic restenosis occurred in seven patients (22%, 95% confidence interval 7% to 37%); five patients subsequently underwent elective coronary artery bypass graft surgery (CABG), and two patients were treated with rotational atherectomy plus adjunct balloon angioplasty. The only death occurred 2 days after elective CABG for treatment of in-stent restenosis. The other patients (without angiographic follow-up) remain asymptomatic.

**Conclusions.** Stenting of unprotected LMCA stenoses may be a safe and effective alternative to CABG in carefully selected patients with normal LV function. Further studies in larger patient populations are needed to assess late outcome.

(J Am Coll Cardiol 1998;31:37-42)

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# How the treatments and clinical outcomes evolved over 2 decades



**Starting Point**

# 20 Years of Temporal Changes In PCI vs. CABG For LM Disease *Data from IRIS-MAIN Registry*



# Study Population

- **The IRIS MAIN registry** (clinicaltrials.gov number NCT 01341327) is a nonrandomized, multinational, multicenter observational study to assess the practice and outcomes of LMCA disease.
- All-comers design, consecutive patients with LMCA disease treated with medical Rx, PCI, or CABG
- Between January 1995 and December 2013, a total of 5833 patients were enrolled from 50 academic and community hospitals in Asia (China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, South Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand).

# Definition and Study Endpoint

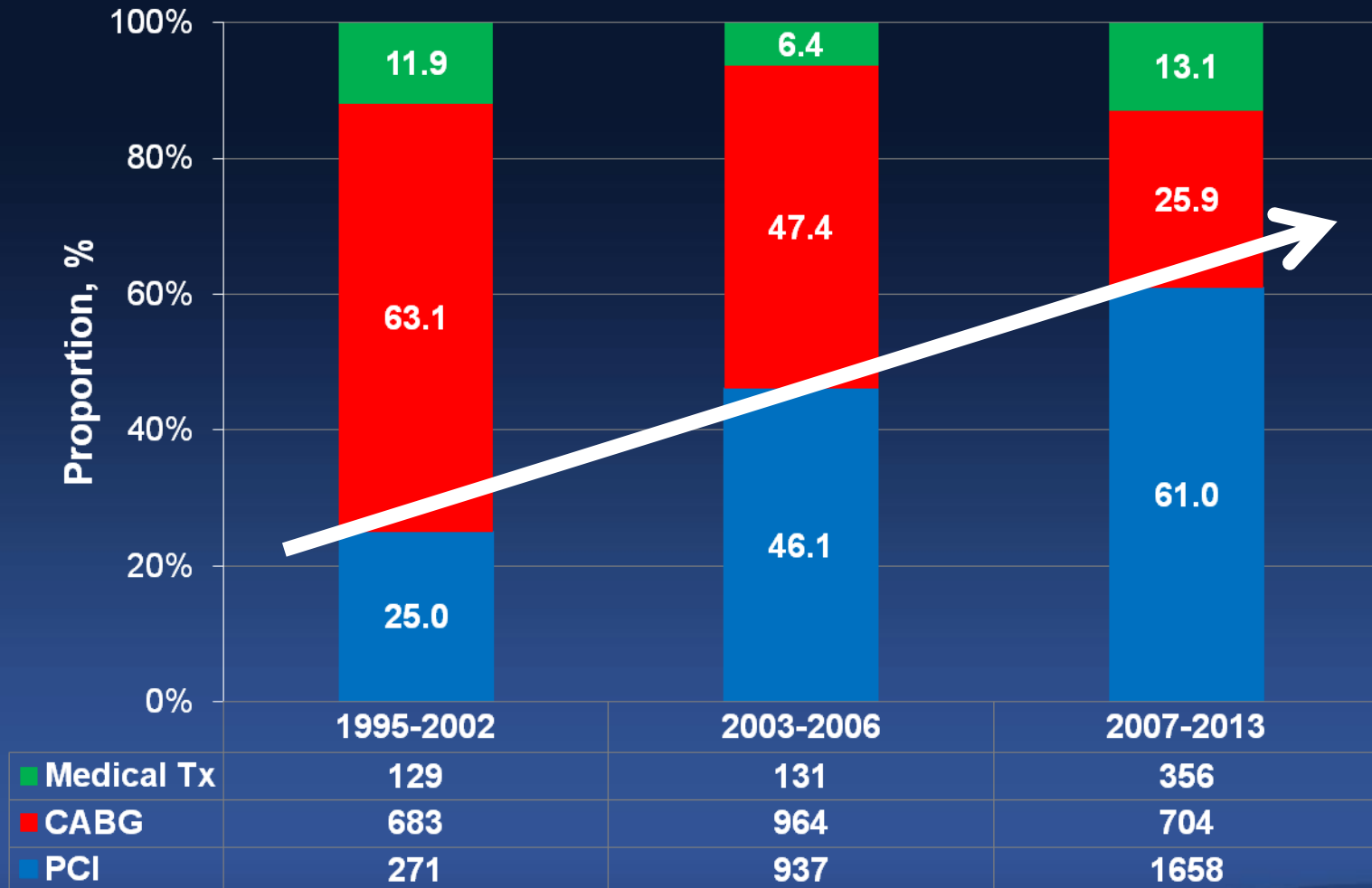
## *Three time periods*

- Wave 1 (BMS) for 1995–2002
- Wave 2 (First G DES) for 2003–2006
- Wave 3 (Second G DES) for 2007–2013

## *Study End Point*

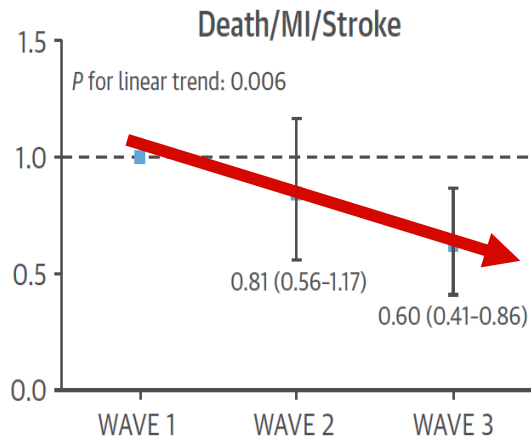
- All-cause death
- Serious composite of death, MI, or stroke
- Repeat revascularization
- MACCE (death, MI, stroke, or RR)

# Temporal Trends of LM Revascularization, (IRIS LM Registry n=5,883)

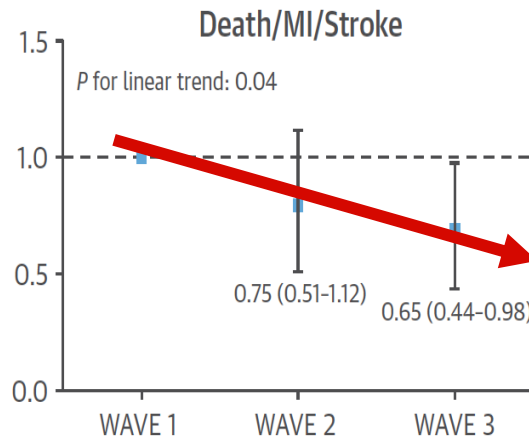


# Secular Trend over 20 Years Adjusted Hazard Ratio

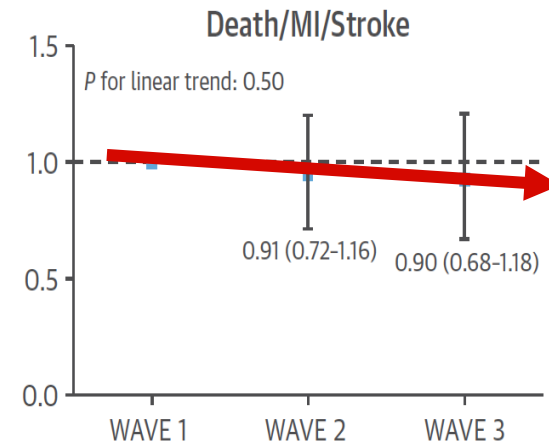
## Medication group



## PCI group

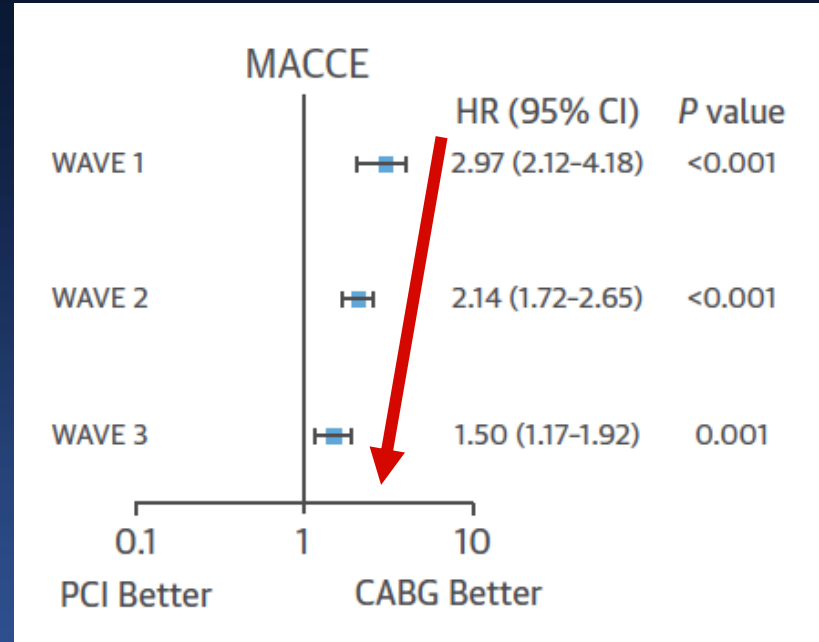
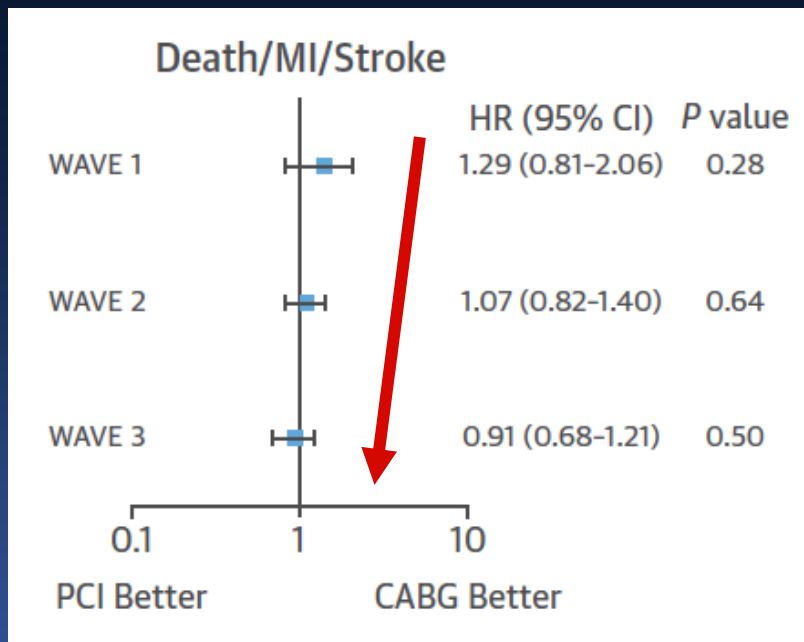


## CABG group

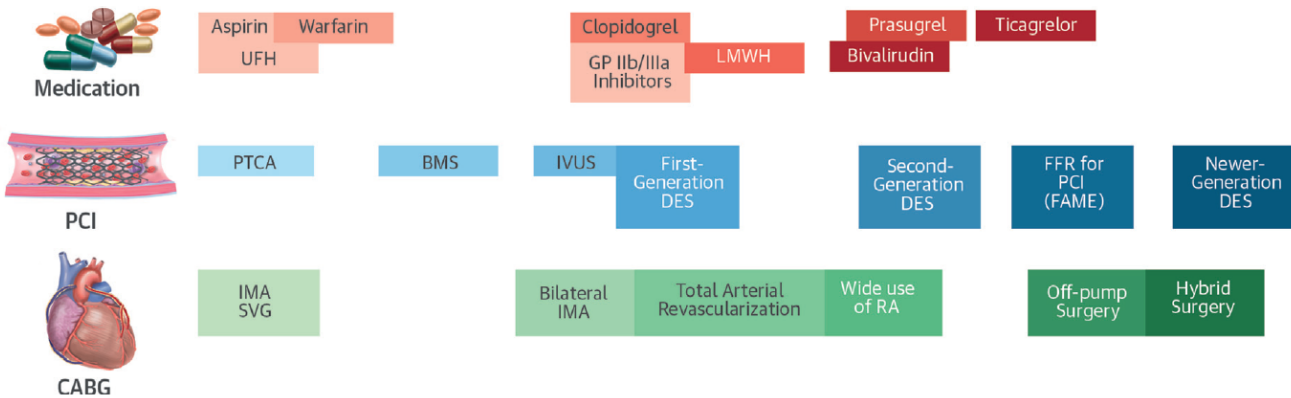
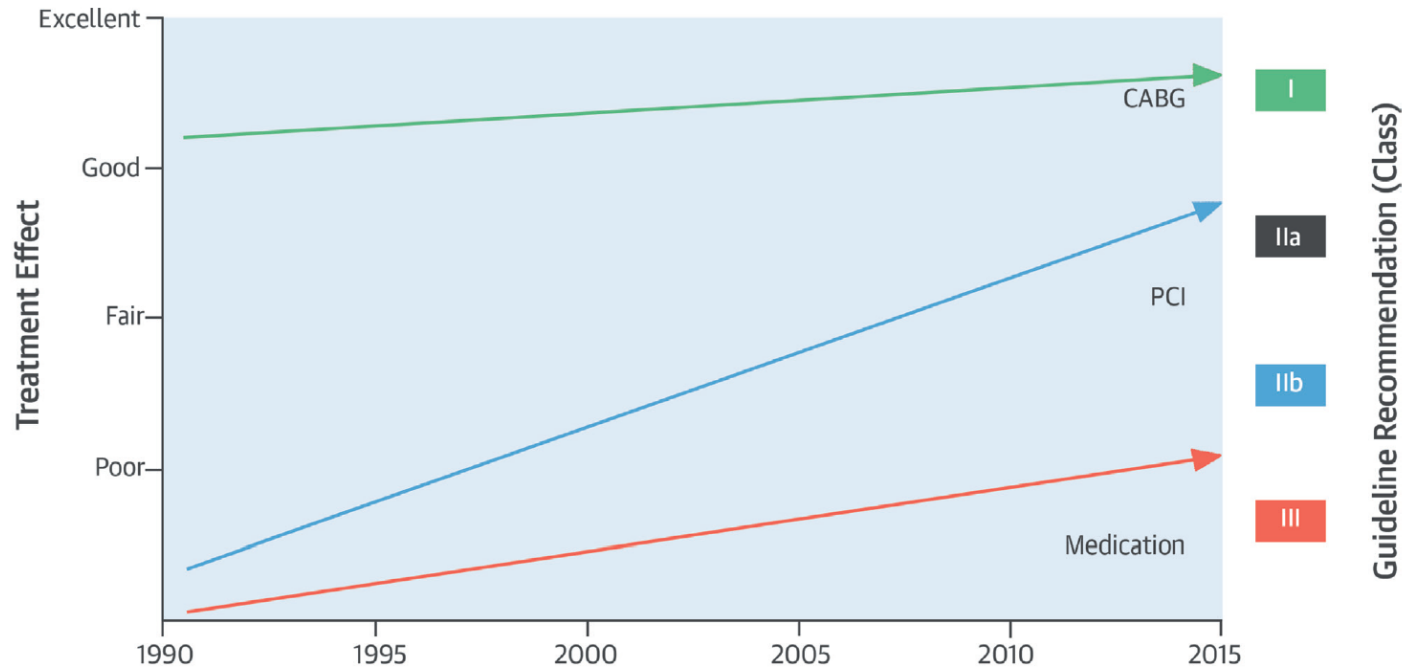


# PCI vs. CABG

## Adjusted Hazard Ratio



**CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION** Secular Changes of Treatment Effect and Guideline Recommendations in Relation to Medical Advances of Each Treatment Stratum for Left Main Coronary Artery Disease



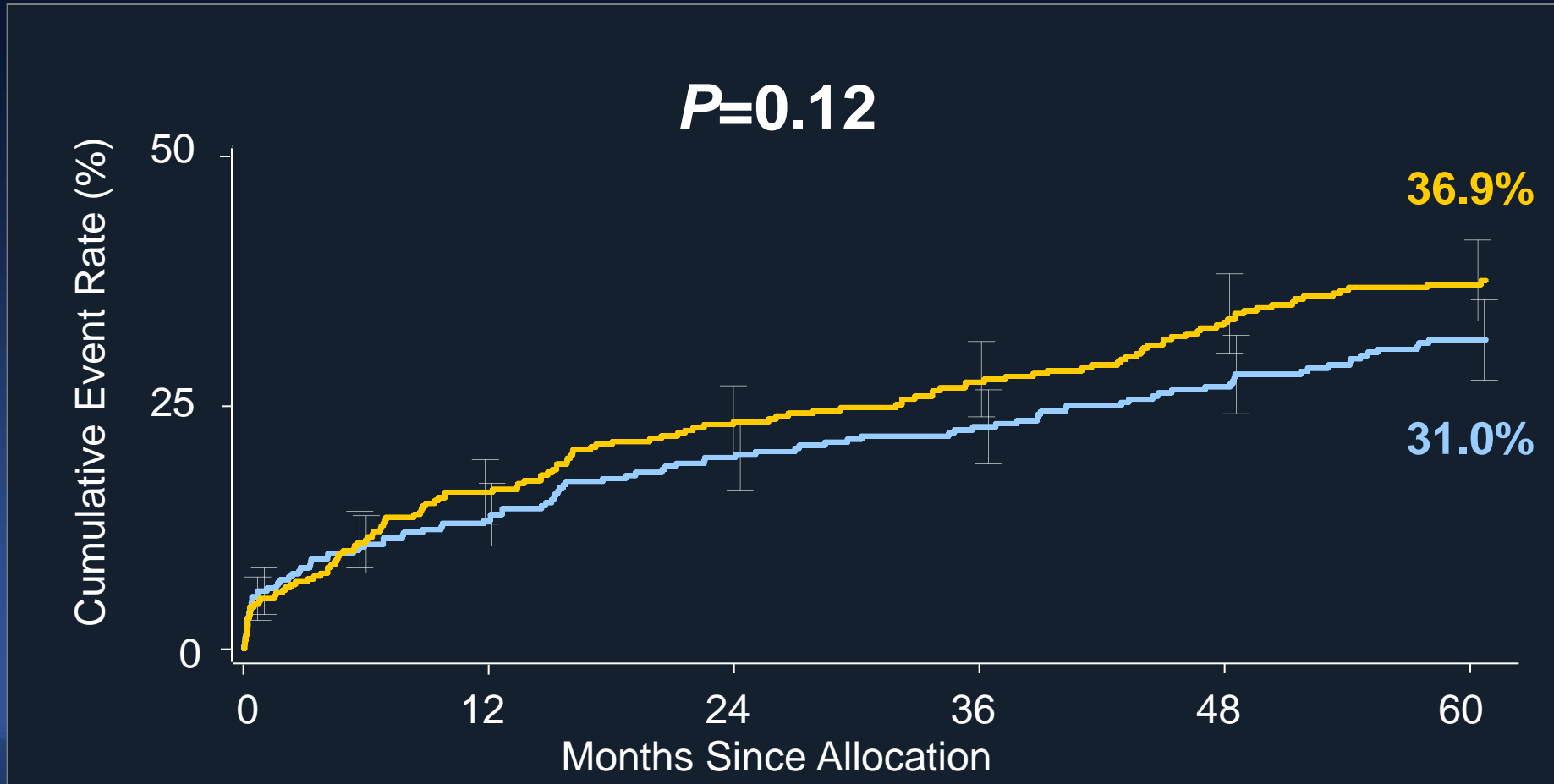
Lee, P.H. et al. J Am Coll Cardiol. 2016;68(11):1233-46.

# SYNTAX (LM Subset), 1<sup>st</sup>-DES PES

## Death /MI /Stroke /Repeat Revascularization

CABG (N=348)

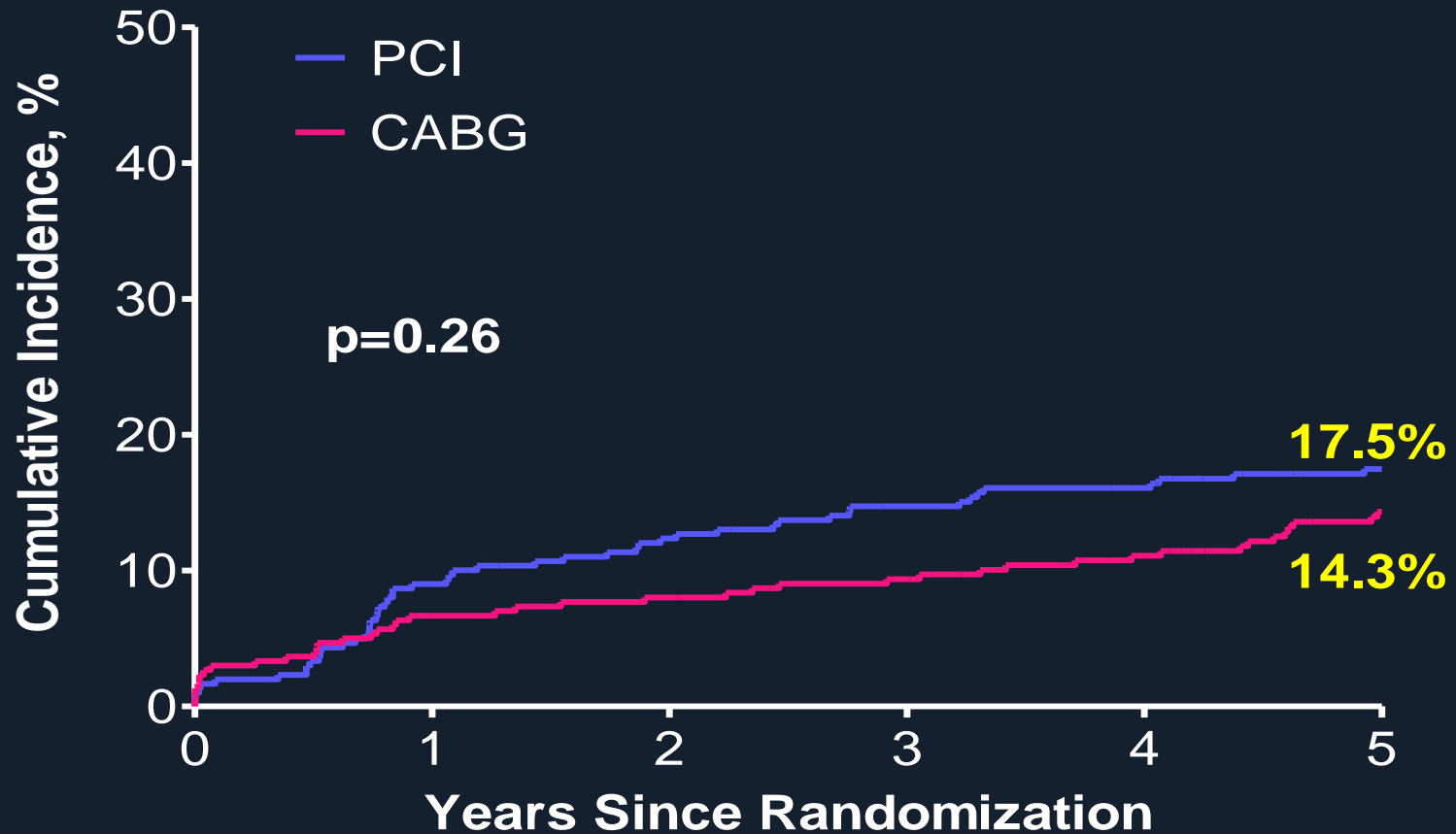
TAXUS (N=357)



Cumulative KM Event Rate  $\pm$  1.5 SE; log-rank *P* value; \*Binary rates

# PRECOMBAT, 1<sup>st</sup>-DES SES

## Death, MI, Stroke or TVR



### Patient at risk

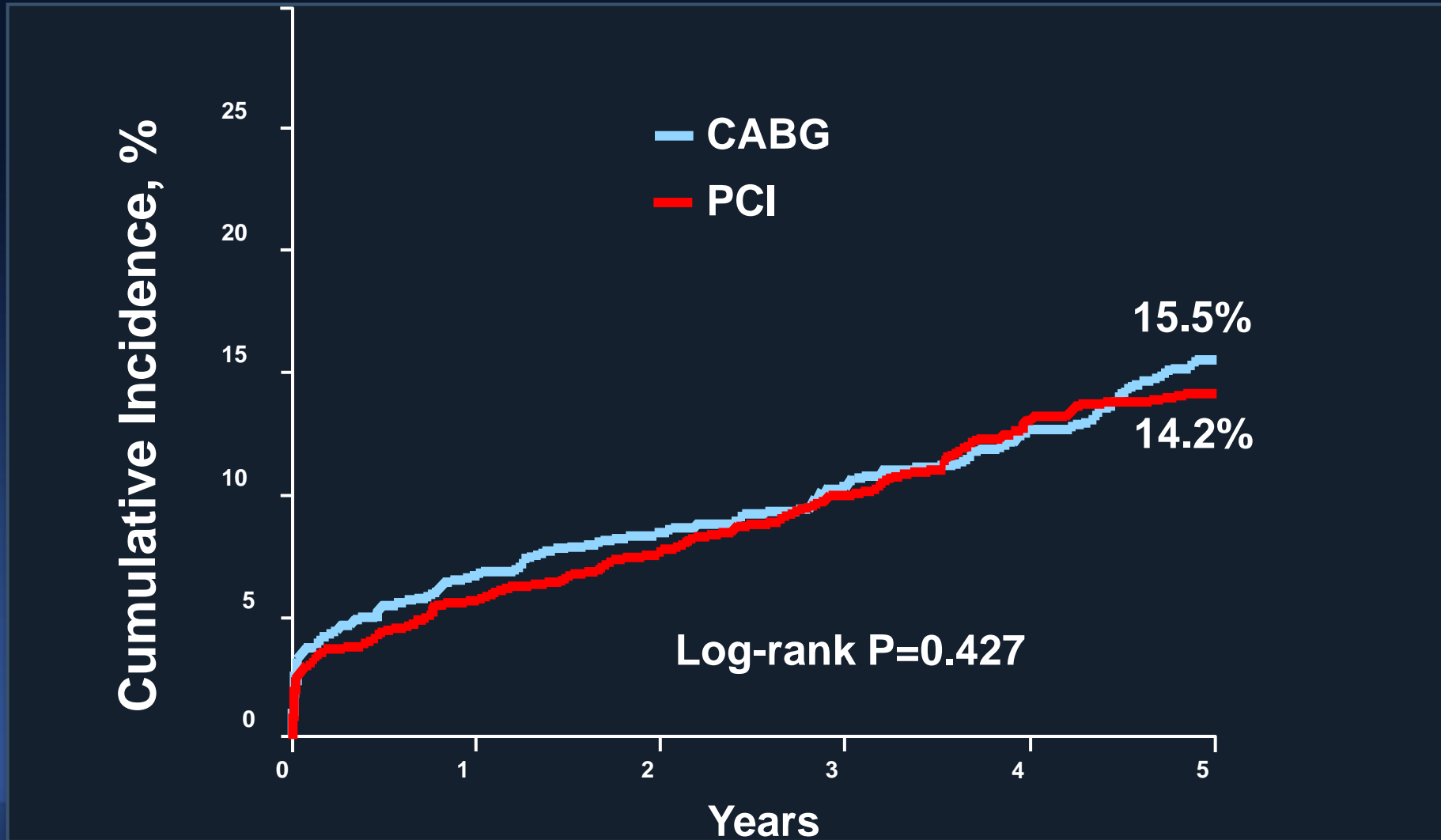
<b>PCI</b>	300	272	261	252	246	231
<b>CABG</b>	300	279	274	267	256	235



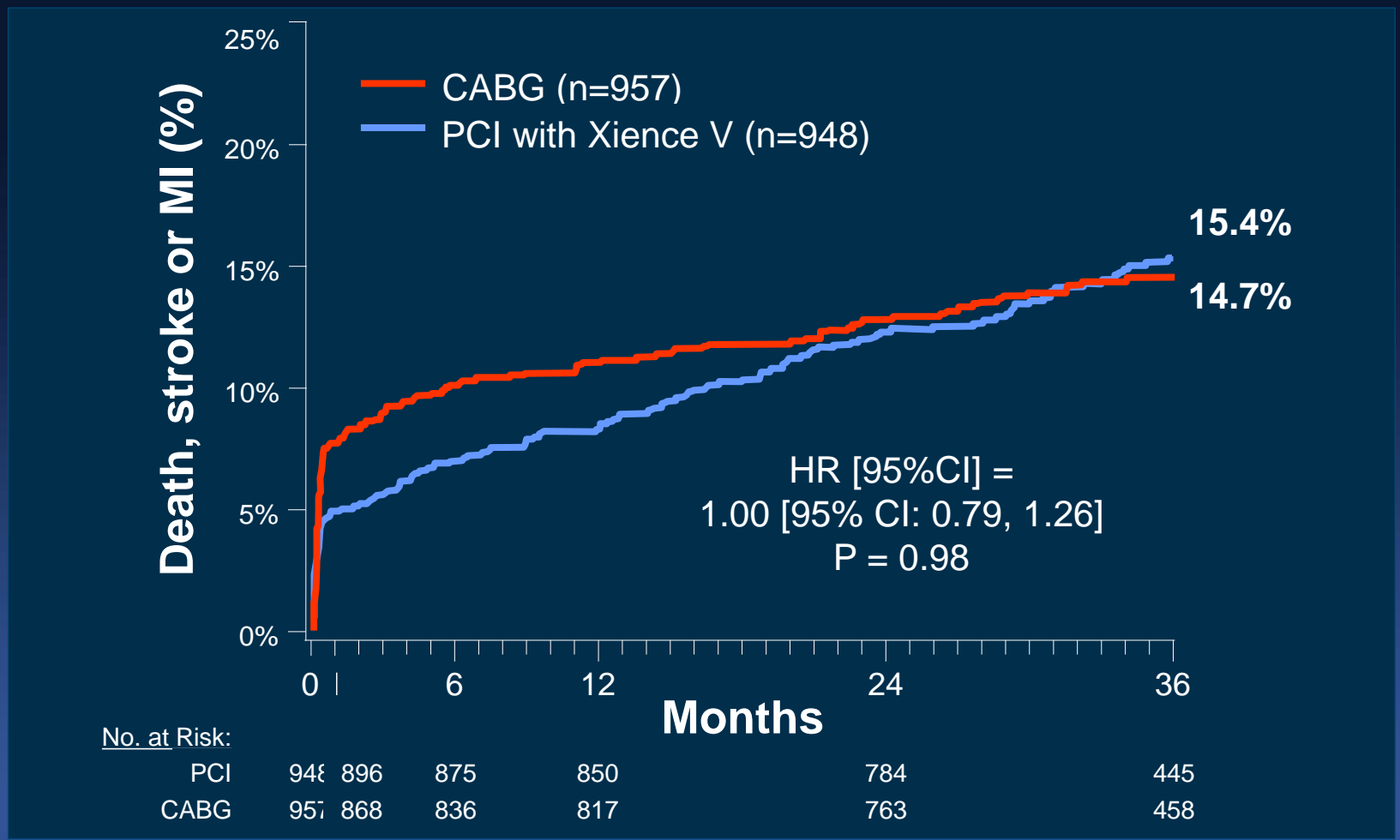
# IPD Meta-Analysis (n=3,280)

Database Pooling of  
**SYNTAX** (n=1800, PES),  
**BEST** (n=880, EES), and  
**PRECOMBAT** (n=600, SES) trials.

*Patient-Level Meta-Analysis (n=1,293)*  
**LM Subset / Death, MI or Stroke**



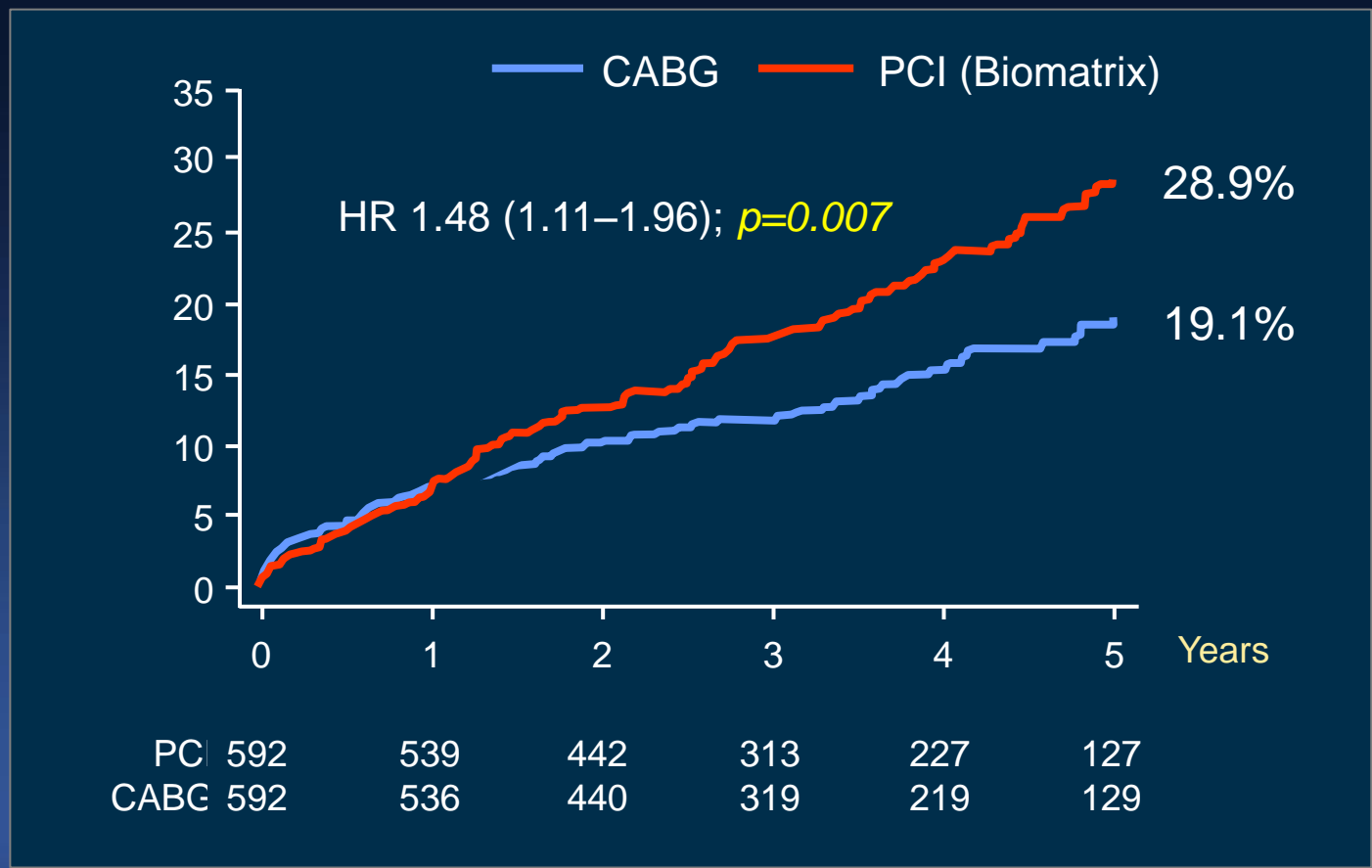
## Primary Endpoint Death, Stroke or MI at 3 Years



# NOBLE

## Primary Endpoint

Death, non-procedural MI, repeat Revascularization and Stroke at 3 Years



# IPD Meta-Analysis 2018: PCI vs. CABG for MVD or LM

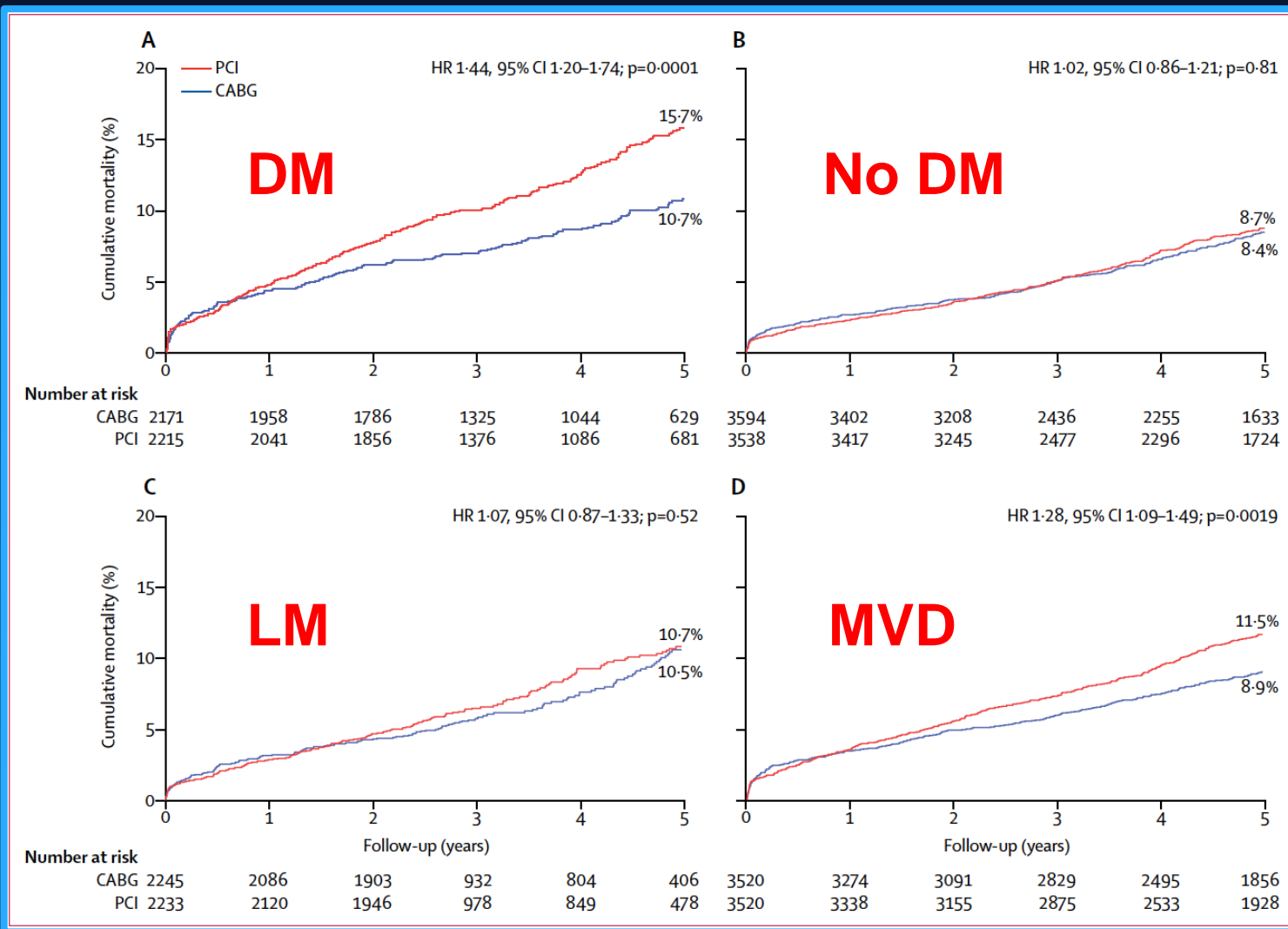
**Mortality after coronary artery bypass grafting versus percutaneous coronary intervention with stenting for coronary artery disease: a pooled analysis of individual patient data**



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11518 Patients with 11 RCT with BMS or DES: ERACI II (n=450), ARTS (n=1205), MASS-II (n=408), SoS (n=988), SYNTAX (n=1800), PRECOMBAT (n=600), FREEDOM (n=1900), VA CARDS (n=198), BEST (n=880), NOBLE (n=1184), and EXCEL (n=1905)

# IPD Meta-Analysis 2018: PCI vs. CABG



Head SJ et al. Lancet February 22, 2018

# 2018 Updated ESC/EACTS Guideline : PCI vs. CABG for Left Main

## Recommendations on criteria for the choice between coronary artery bypass grafting and percutaneous coronary intervention

Recommendations	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
<b>Assessment of CAD complexity</b>		
In patients with LM or multivessel disease, it is recommended that the SYNTAX score is calculated to assess the anatomical complexity of CAD and the long-term risk of mortality and morbidity after PCI. <sup>117–124</sup>	I	B
When considering the decision between CABG and PCI, completeness of revascularization should be prioritized. <sup>131,132,134–136</sup>	Ila	B

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### Left main CAD

Left main disease with low SYNTAX score (0 - 22).<sup>69,121,122,124,145–148</sup>

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Left main disease with intermediate SYNTAX score (23 - 32).<sup>69,121,122,124,145–148</sup>

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Left main disease with high SYNTAX score ( $\geq 33$ ).<sup>c 69,121,122,124,146–148</sup>

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# PCI vs. CABG in LM Disease, **2018**

*However, The Game Is Just Begun !*

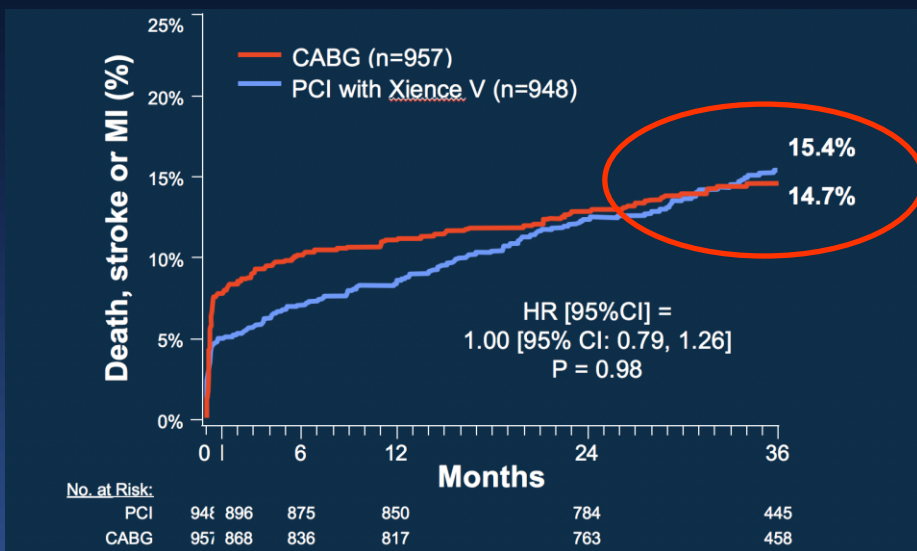
**One Important Remaining Point:**  
**We Are Demanding Very Long-Term**  
**(ie,10-Year) Results of PCI and CABG for**  
**LM disease**



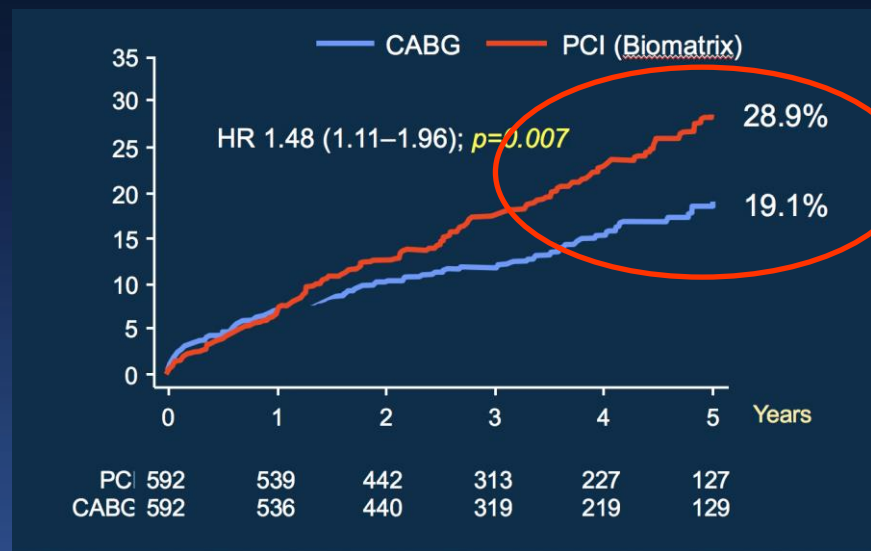
# Why We Need Very Long-Term Comparative Outcomes of PCI vs. CABG in LM Disease?

There Is Some Signals...

## EXCEL



## NOBLE



Longer-term follow-up (beyond 5 years) is necessary to examine additional differences between PCI and CABG over time.

# **Ten-Year Outcomes of Stenting versus Coronary-Artery Bypass Grafting for Unprotected Left Main Coronary Artery Disease**

**: 10-Year Final Report From  
the MAIN-COMPARE Registry**

**Seung-Jung Park, MD, PhD**

**Presented at 2018 TCT Late-Breaking Trial  
Session**

# MAIN-COMPARE Registry

## Wave 1 (BMS era)

LM disease treated with BMS (n=318) and concurrent CABG (n=448) btw 2000~2003

## Wave 2 (DES era)

LM disease treated with DES (n=784) and concurrent CABG (n=690) btw 2003~2006

From January 2000 through June 2006

Total  
2240

Stent (N=1102)

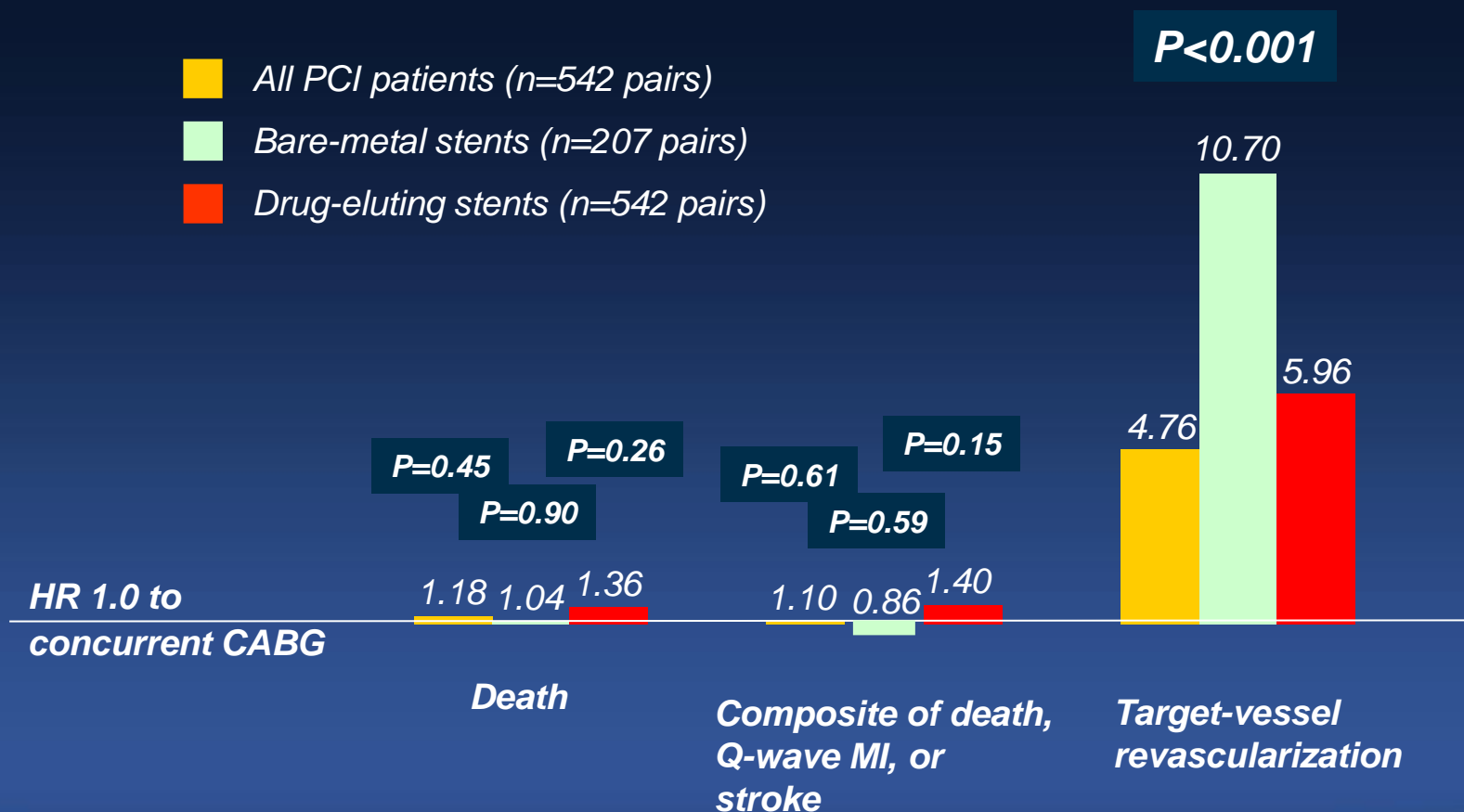
CABG (N=1138)



Clinical follow-up every 12 months  
Death, Composite of Death/MI/Stroke,  
TVR

# MAIN COMPARE Registry, 3-Year

## Adjusted HR by Use of PS Matching

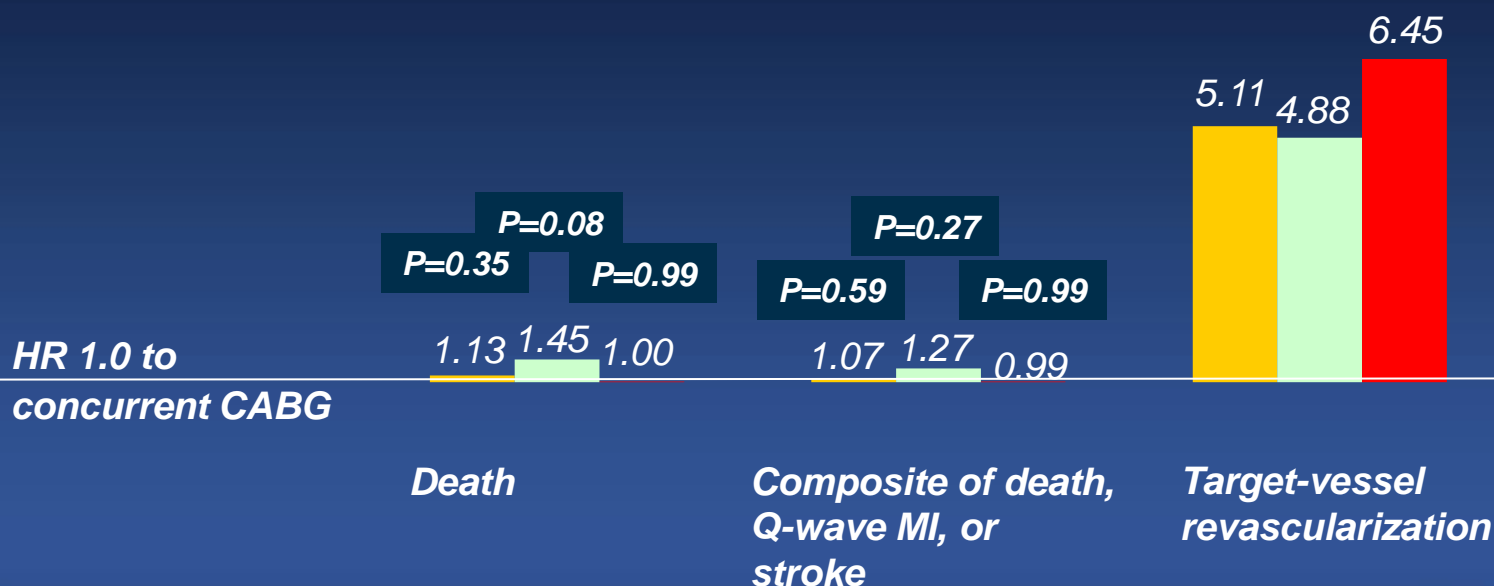


# MAIN COMPARE Registry, 5-Year

## Adjusted HR by Use of IPTW Method

- All PCI patients (n=542 pairs)
- Bare-metal stents (n=207 pairs)
- Drug-eluting stents (n=542 pairs)

**P<0.001**



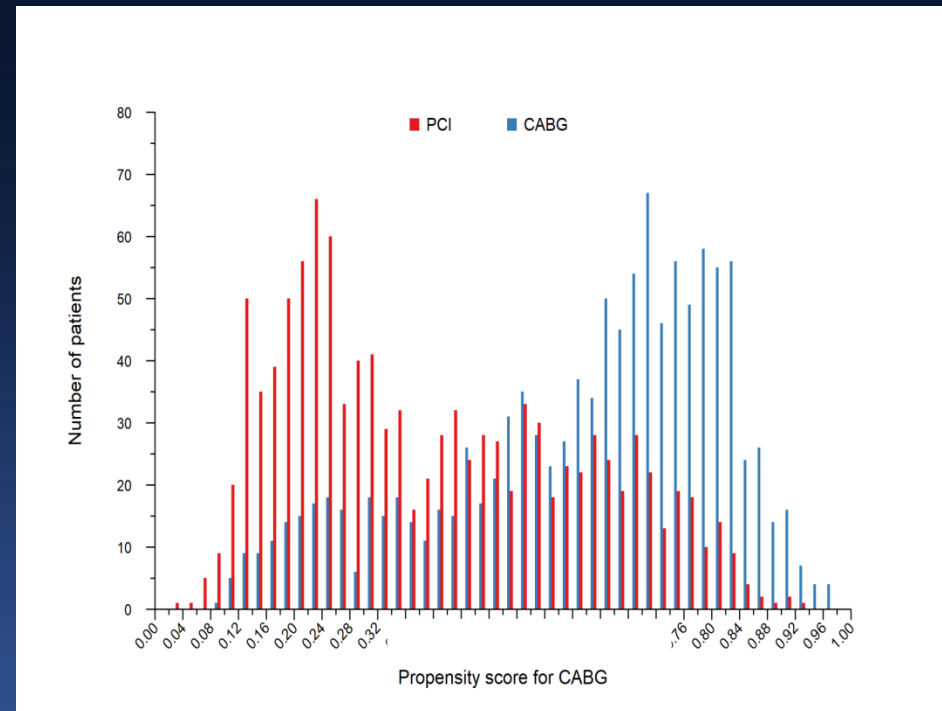
# Follow-up and National DB Linkage

- In this report, the follow-up period was extended through December 31, 2016, to ensure that all patients had the opportunity for at least 10-year follow-up evaluation.
- For validation of complete follow-up data on mortality, information about vital status was obtained from the **National Population Registry of the Korea National Statistical Office** with the use of a unique personal identification number up to December, 31, 2016.
- The median duration of follow-up among all patients was 12.0 years (IQR, 10.7 to 13.5); the maximum follow-up was 17.6 years.

# Baseline Characteristics

	Unadjusted Data		
	PCI (N = 1102)	CABG (N = 1138)	P Value
Age (yr)	61.3±11.7	62.9±9.4	<0.001
Male gender	779 (70.7)	830 (72.9)	0.24
Diabetes mellitus			
Any diabetes	327 (29.7)	395 (34.7)	0.01
Requiring insulin	75 (6.8)	93 (8.2)	0.22
Hypertension	546 (49.5)	562 (49.4)	0.94
Hyperlipidemia	315 (28.6)	371 (32.6)	0.04
Current smoker	282 (25.6)	339 (29.8)	0.03
Previous PCI	200 (18.1)	125 (11.0)	<0.001
Previous MI	89 (8.1)	132 (11.6)	0.005
Previous CHF	27 (2.5)	38 (3.3)	0.21
Chronic lung disease	22 (2.0)	23 (2.0)	0.97
Cerebrovascular disease	78 (7.1)	83 (7.3)	0.84
PVD	16 (1.5)	62 (5.4)	<0.001
Renal failure	30 (2.7)	34 (3.0)	0.71
Ejection fraction (%)	60.6±10.8	57.2±11.9	<0.001

*Distribution of Propensity-Score*



# Baseline Characteristics

	Unadjusted Data			Data Adjusted with IPTW			After Propensity Matching	
	PCI (N = 1102)	CABG (N = 1138)	P Value	PCI (N = 1102)	CABG (N = 1138)	P Value	PCI (N=659)	CABG (N=659)
Age (yr)	61.3±11.7	62.9±9.4	<0.001	62.1±11.0	62.1±10.1	0.89	62.6±11.2	63.2±9.7
Male gender	779 (70.7)	830 (72.9)	0.24	797 (72.3)	820 (72.1)	0.90	472 (71.6)	457 (69.4)
Diabetes mellitus								
Any diabetes	327 (29.7)	395 (34.7)	0.01	338 (30.6)	356 (31.3)	0.73	338 (30.6)	197 (29.9)
Requiring insulin	75 (6.8)	93 (8.2)	0.22	84 (7.6)	89 (7.9)	0.82	84 (7.6)	44 (6.7)
Hypertension	546 (49.5)	562 (49.4)	0.94	525 (47.7)	551 (48.4)	0.71	525 (47.7)	335 (50.8)
Hyperlipidemia	315 (28.6)	371 (32.6)	0.04	340 (30.8)	339 (29.8)	0.60	340 (30.8)	201 (30.5)
Current smoker	282 (25.6)	339 (29.8)	0.03	313 (28.4)	330 (29.0)	0.76	313 (28.4)	188 (28.5)
Previous PCI	200 (18.1)	125 (11.0)	<0.001	165 (15.0)	172 (15.1)	0.93	165 (15.0)	99 (15.0)
Previous MI	89 (8.1)	132 (11.6)	0.005	99 (9.0)	111 (9.8)	0.54	99 (9.0)	67 (10.2)
Previous CHF	27 (2.5)	38 (3.3)	0.21	32 (2.9)	33 (2.9)	0.95	32 (2.9)	17 (2.6)
Chronic lung disease	22 (2.0)	23 (2.0)	0.97	25 (2.3)	20 (1.7)	0.36	8 (1.2)	10 (1.5)
Cerebrovascular disease	78 (7.1)	83 (7.3)	0.84	71 (6.5)	74 (6.5)	0.96	48 (7.3)	48 (7.3)
PVD	16 (1.5)	62 (5.4)	<0.001	46 (4.2)	43 (3.9)	0.66	15 (2.3)	10 (1.5)
Renal failure	30 (2.7)	34 (3.0)	0.71	34 (3.1)	35 (3.1)	0.98	16 (2.4)	21 (3.2)
Ejection fraction (%)	60.6±10.8	57.2±11.9	<0.001	59.8±11.0	59.0±11.2	0.12	59.7±11.1	59.4±11.5



# Baseline Characteristics

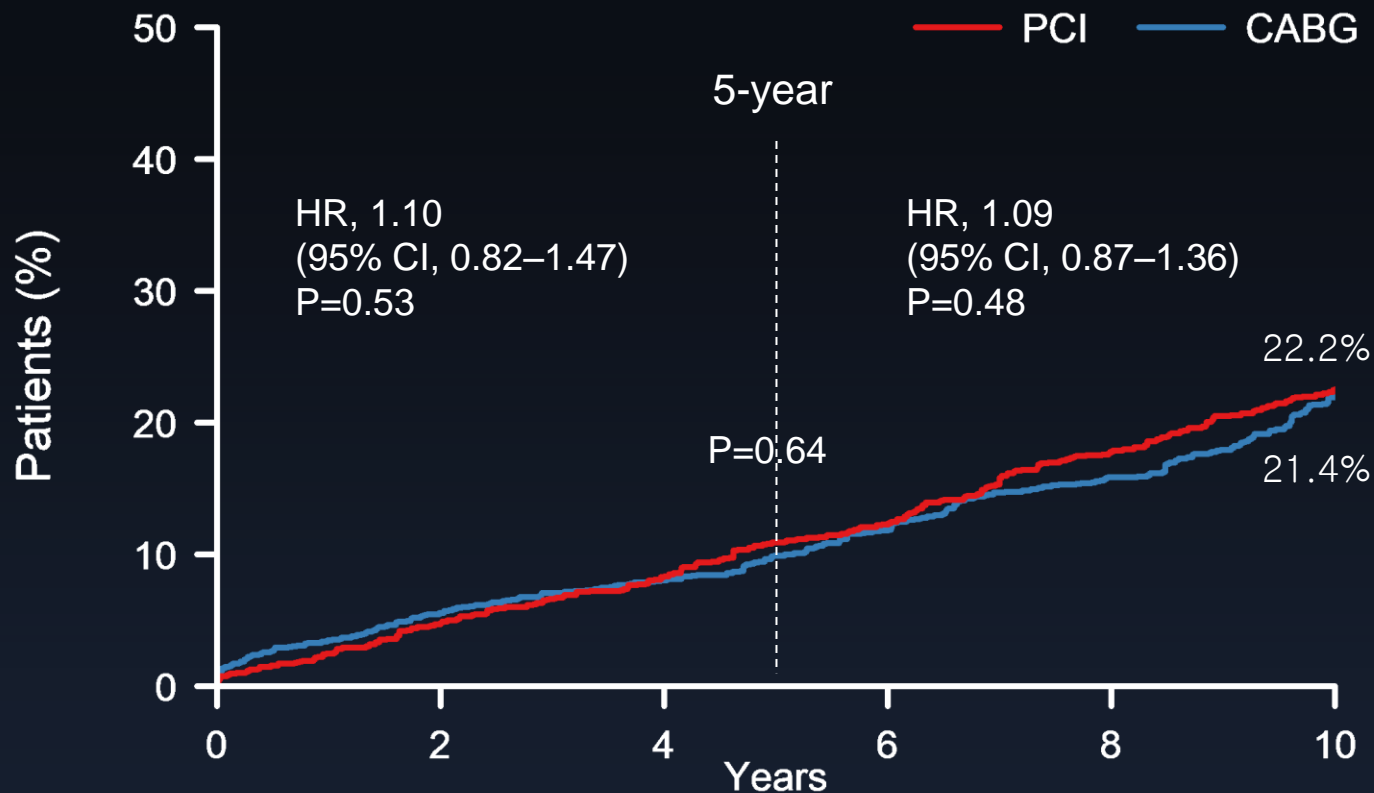
	Unadjusted Data			Data Adjusted with IPTW			After Propensity Matching	
	PCI (N = 1102)	CABG (N = 1138)	P Value	PCI (N = 1102)	CABG (N = 1138)	P Value	PCI (N=659)	CABG (N=659)
ECG findings			0.53			0.92		
Sinus rhythm	1078 (97.8)	1105 (97.1)		1076 (97.7)	1109 (97.4)		644 (97.7)	641 (92.3)
Atrial fibrillation	22 (2.0)	31 (2.7)		24 (2.2)	28 (2.5)		15 (2.3)	17 (2.6)
Other	2 (0.2)	2 (0.2)		1 (0.1)	1 (0.1)		0 (0.0)	1 (0.2)
Clinical indication			<0.001			0.96		
Silent ischemia	33 (3.0)	25 (2.2)		30 (2.7)	32 (2.8)		23 (3.5)	19 (2.9)
Chronic stable angina	353 (32.0)	226 (19.9)		289 (26.1)	296 (26.0)		166 (25.2)	173 (26.3)
Unstable angina	608 (55.2)	775 (68.1)		677 (61.4)	692 (60.1)		401 (60.9)	402 (61.0)
NSTEMI	108 (9.8)	112 (9.8)		107 (9.7)	118 (10.4)		69 (10.5)	65 (9.9)
LM disease location			0.04			0.87		
Ostium or shaft	557 (50.6)	526 (46.2)		522 (47.3)	543 (47.7)		316 (48.0)	321 (48.7)
Distal bifurcation	545 (49.5)	612 (53.8)		580 (52.7)	595 (52.3)		343 (52.0)	338 (51.3)
Extent of disease			<0.001			0.98		
LM only	278 (25.2)	71 (6.2)		175 (15.9)	186 (16.4)		81 (12.3)	71 (10.8)
LM plus 1-VD	264 (24.0)	119 (10.5)		192 (17.4)	201 (17.6)		114 (17.3)	112 (17.0)
LM plus 2-VD	287 (26.0)	299 (26.3)		288 (26.1)	291 (25.6)		212 (32.2)	223 (33.8)
LM plus 3-VD	273 (24.8)	649 (57.0)		448 (40.1)	460 (40.4)		252 (38.2)	253 (38.4)
RCA disease	396 (35.9)	804 (70.7)	<0.001	584 (53.0)	597 (52.5)	0.81	350 (53.1)	353 (53.6)
Restenotic lesion	32 (2.9)	14 (1.2)	0.005	22 (2.0)	22 (1.9)	0.88	17 (2.6)	12 (1.8)

# Procedural Characteristics

	CABG (n = 1138)	PCI (n = 1102)
<b>CABG Group</b>		
Off-pump surgery (%)	42	-
At least one arterial conduit (%)	98	-
IMA to LAD Graft (%) in patients with arterial conduits	98	-
Grafts / Patients (Mean $\pm$ SD)	2.9 $\pm$ 1.0	-
<b>PCI Group</b>		
Bare-metal stents(%)	-	29
Drug-eluting stents (%)	-	71
Sirolimus stents of DES (%)	-	77
Paclitaxel stents of DES (%)	-	23
Number of stents at LMCA lesions	-	1.2 $\pm$ 0.5
Total length of stents at LMCA (mm)	-	28 $\pm$ 21
Average stent diameter at LM site	-	3.5 $\pm$ 0.4
Number of stents per patients	-	1.9 $\pm$ 1.1

# Adjusted Curves with the Use of IPTW Method

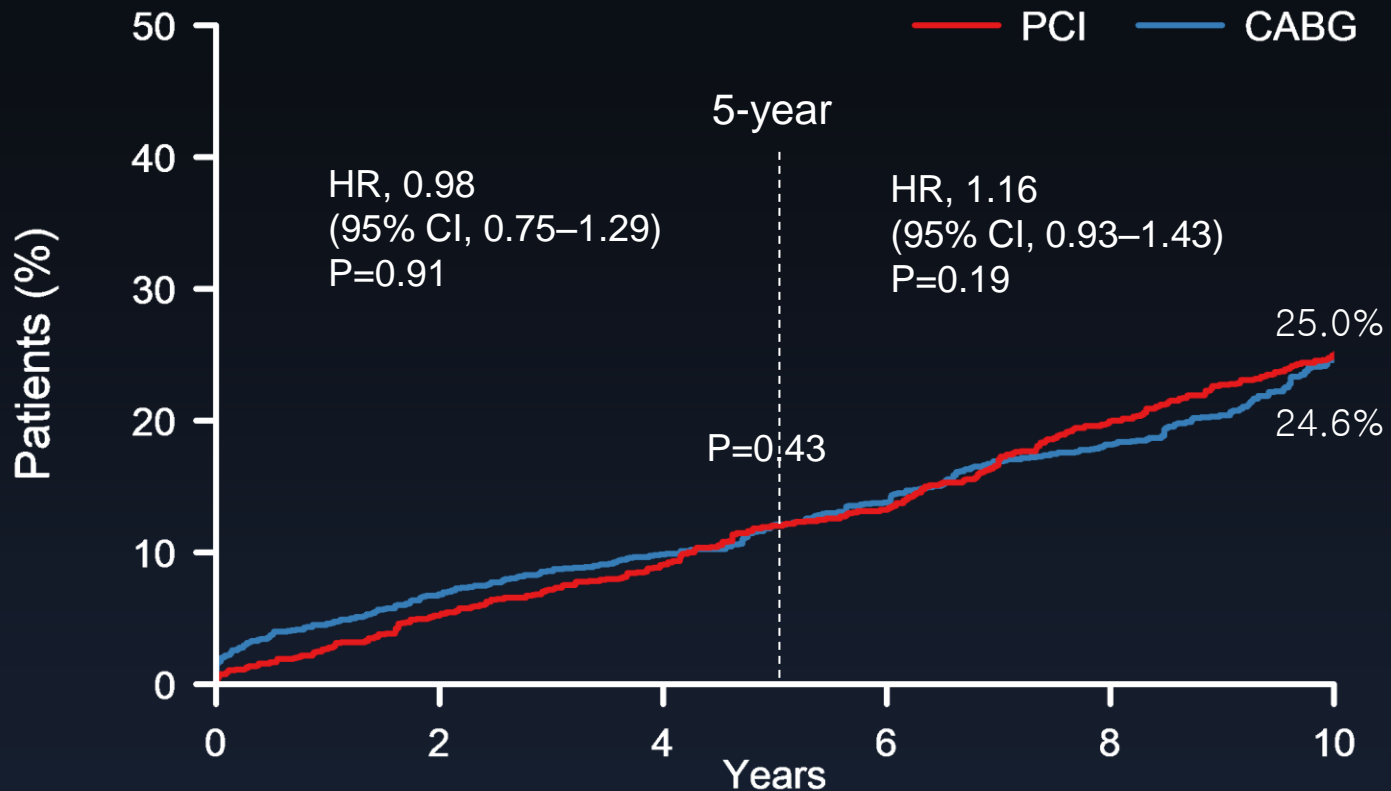
# Overall Cohort Death



Number at risk

PCI	1102	1049	1010	966	906	854
CABG	1138	1074	1046	1003	957	887

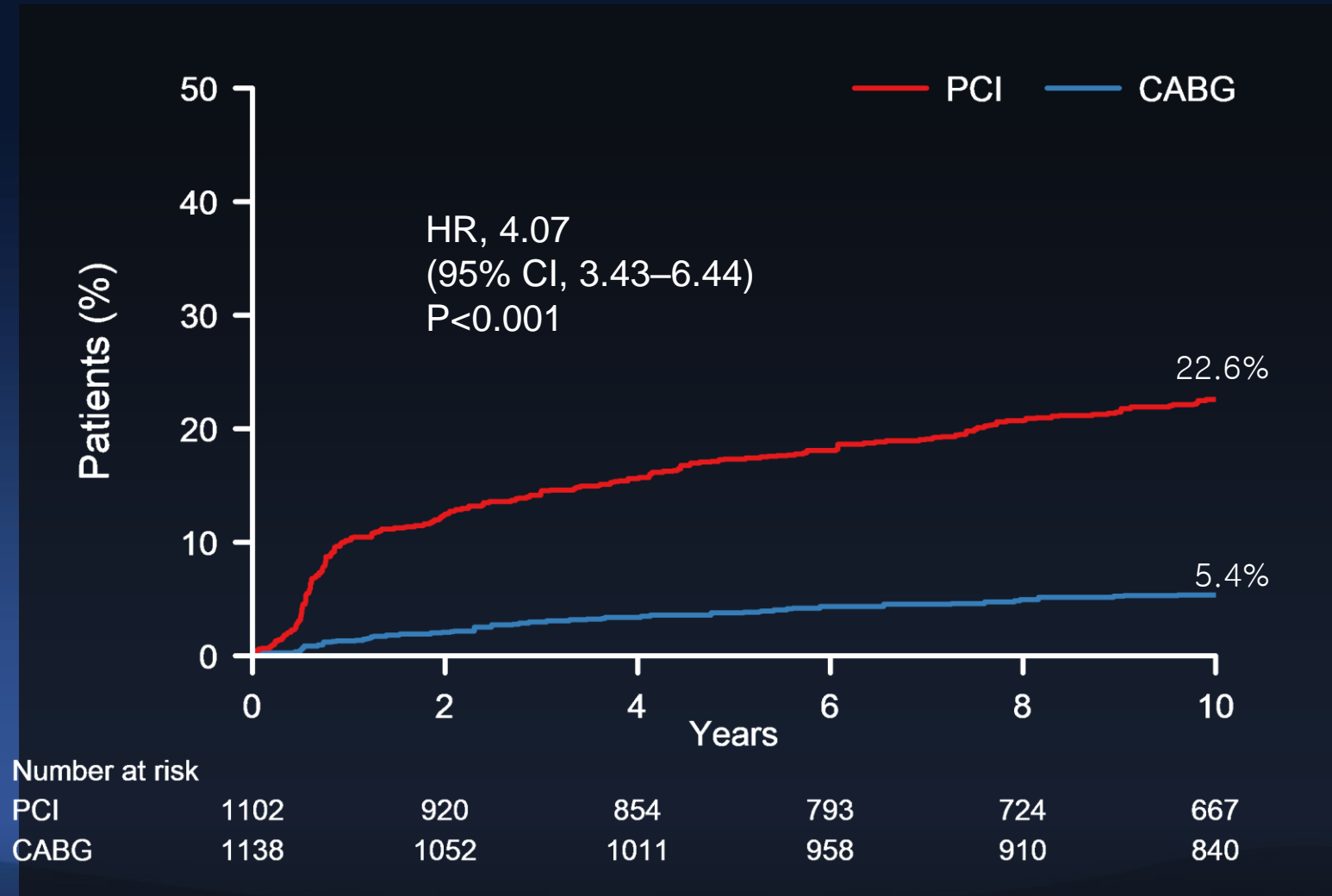
# Overall Cohort Death, Q-MI, or Stroke



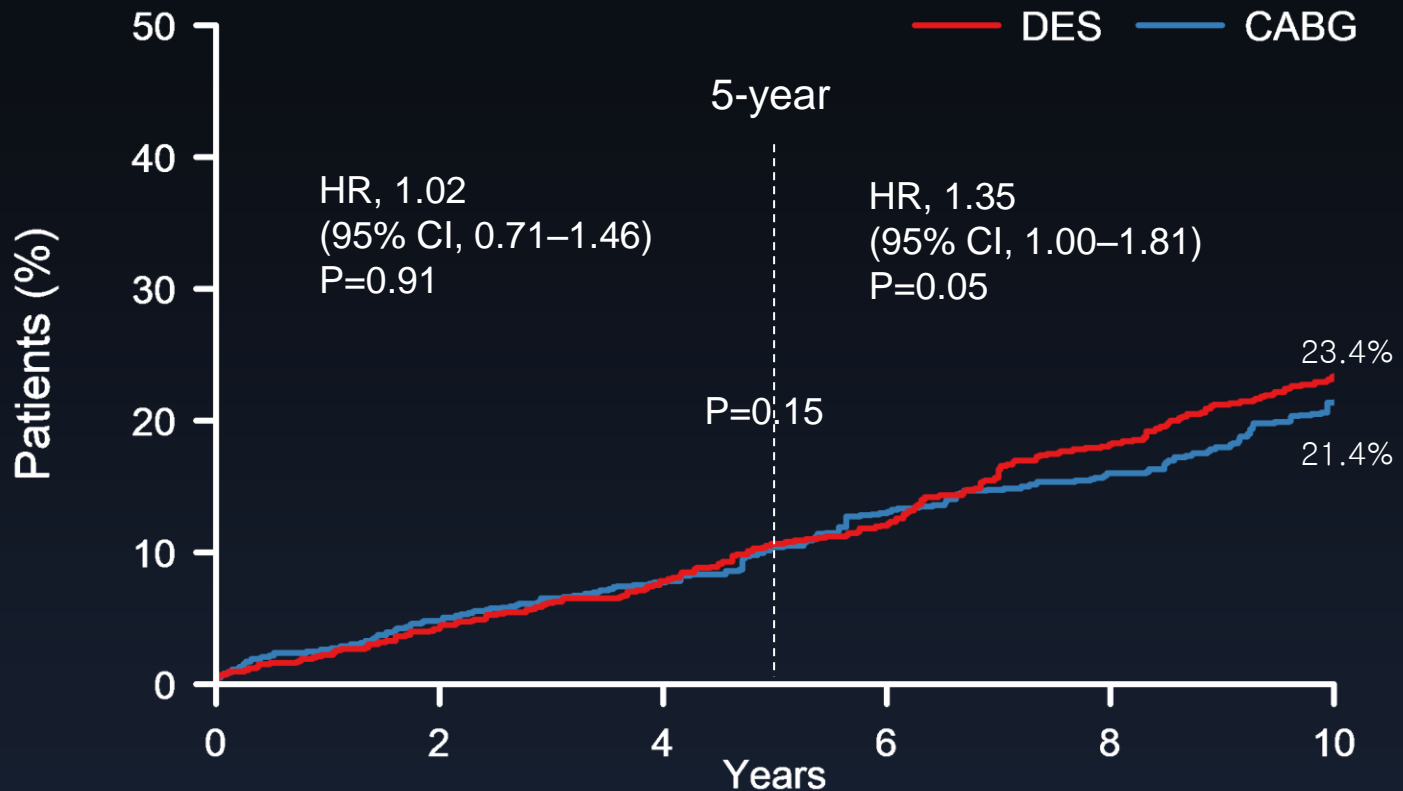
Number at risk

PCI	1102	1044	1002	956	882	827
CABG	1138	1060	1026	981	931	857

# Overall Cohort TVR



# Wave 2 (DES vs, CABG) Death

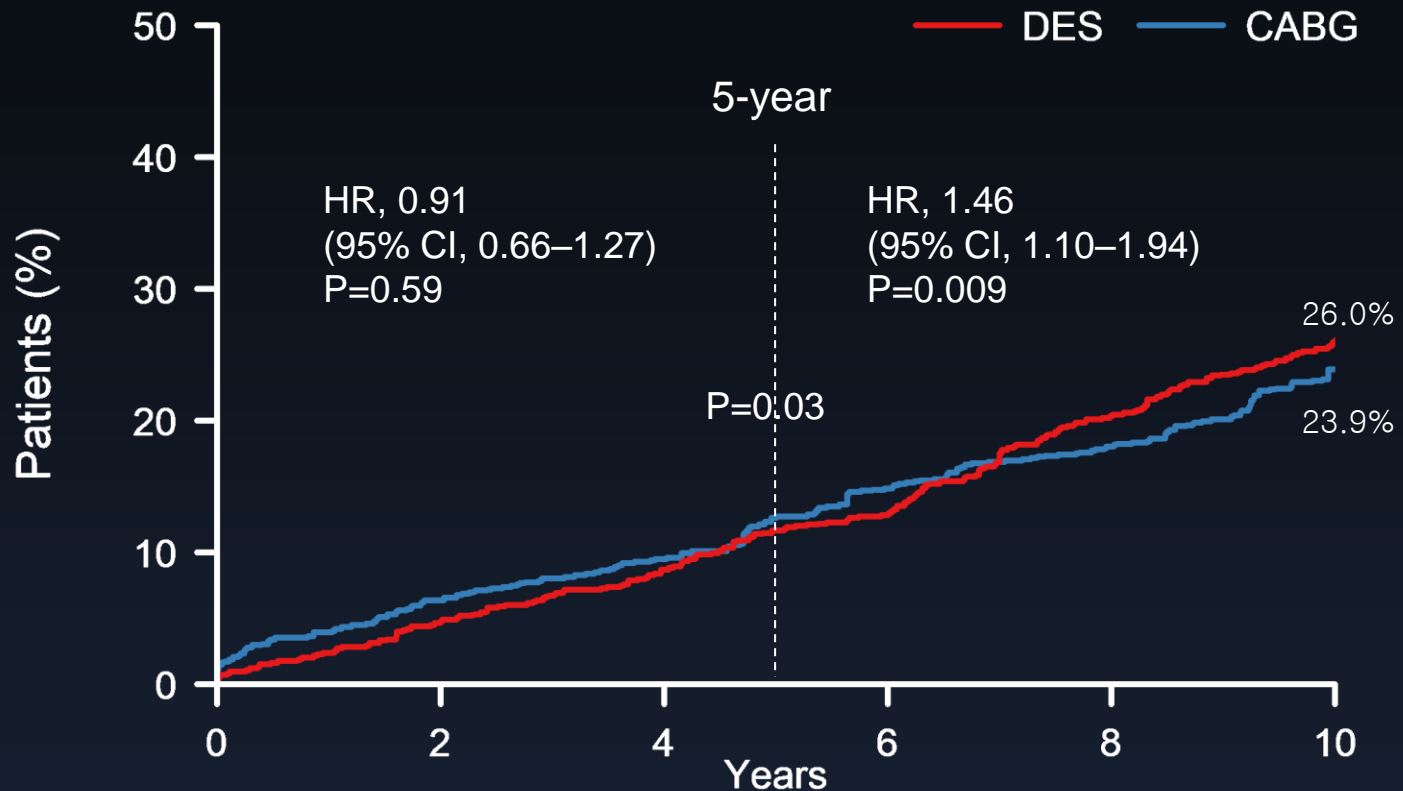


Number at risk

DES	784	750	723	689	641	601
CABG	690	657	636	600	579	541

# Wave 2 (DES vs. CABG)

## Death, Q-MI, or Stroke

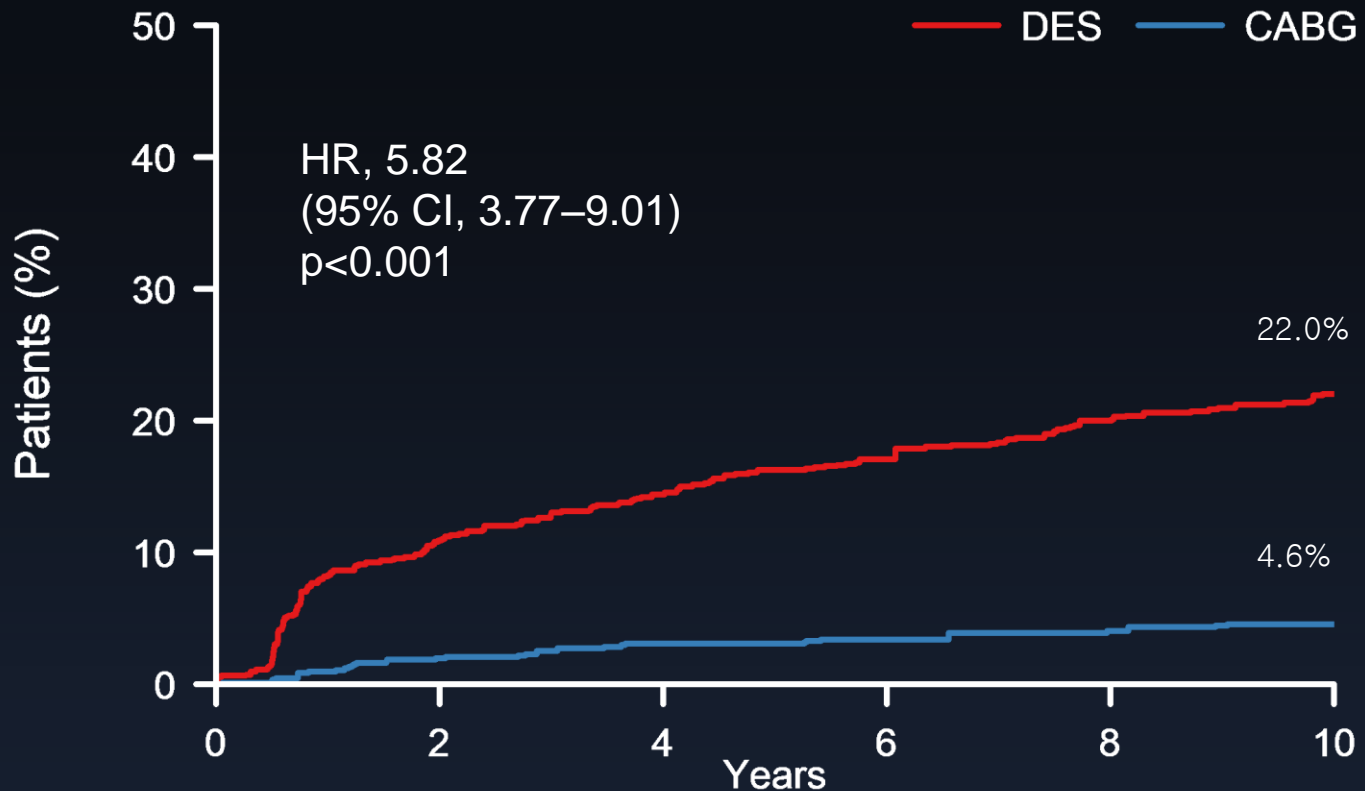


Number at risk

DES	784	747	716	683	624	580
CABG	690	646	624	587	565	524



# Wave 2 (DES vs. CABG) TVR



Number at risk

DES	659	628	602	580	542	506
CABG	690	644	617	579	556	518

# Conclusions

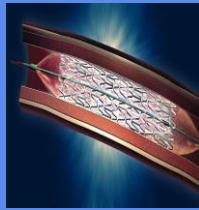
- In this large-scale, multi-center cohort of patients with LMCA disease, there was no significant difference in the rates of death and a composite end point of death, Q-wave MI, or stroke between the PCI and the CABG groups up to 10 years.
- However, in the cohort comparing DES and concurrent CABG, DES was associated with higher risks of death and serious composite outcomes compared to CABG after 5 years: the treatment benefit of CABG has diverged over time during continued follow-up.
- The rate of target-vessel failure was consistently higher in the PCI group.

# DES vs. CABG

## for LM Disease 2018

1. Mortality of PCI with DES is Comparable with CABG
2. More protective for MI in CABG
3. Higher Stroke in CABG
4. Higher Revascularization in PCI
5. 10-Year report of the MAIN-COMPARE registry showed higher risks of death and serious composite outcomes after DES than after CABG.
6. Long-term (10 year) comparative outcomes should be confirmed or refuted via extended FU of RCTs (EXCEL and NOBLE).

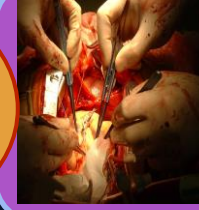
# Contemporary Heart Team for Decision-Making



## PCI

- Less invasive and early recovery
- Early safety advantage (less MI, less stroke, or less major procedural adverse events)
- Similar mortality

## Heart Team Approach



## CABG

- Long-term durability
- Less revascularization
- Less spontaneous MI
- Similar mortality

Favor for PCI

Recommendation

Favor for CABG

## Clinical Factors

- Urgent revascularization
- Serious comorbidity and high surgical risk (i.e., chronic lung disease, advanced age, disability from prior stroke, prior bypass surgery, or poor general performance)

- Clinical equipoise

- Low ejection fraction
- Longstanding diabetes
- Need for any concomitant cardiac surgery
- High-bleeding risk unable to comply with DAPT

## Anatomical Factors

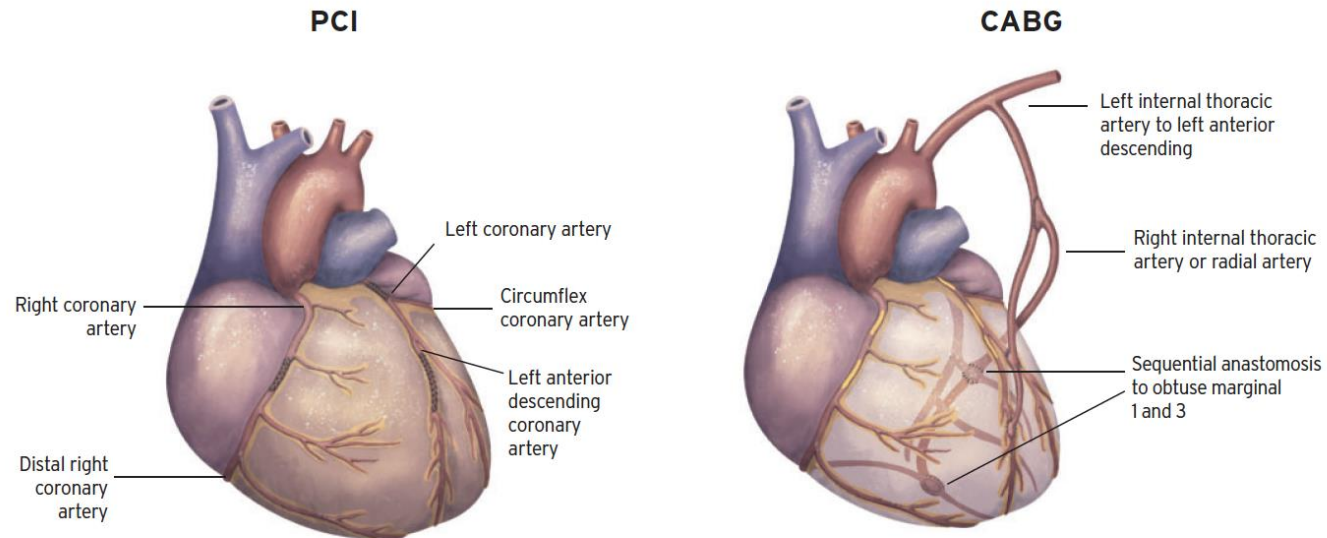
- Ostial or trunk LM disease
- Isolate LM disease (non-bifurcational or bifurcational)
- LM plus additional 1-vessel disease

- LM plus additional 2-vessel disease

- LM plus additional 3-vessel disease
- Combined complex anatomy not suitable for PCI (i.e., severe calcification or tortuosity, CTO, multiple/diffuse long lesions, or complex in-stent restenosis)

Each patient's individual circumstances and preferences

# Contemporary Heart Team for Decision-Making



## FAVOURS PCI

### Clinical characteristics

Presence of severe co-morbidity (not adequately reflected by scores)  
 Advanced age/frailty/reduced life expectancy  
 Restricted mobility and conditions that affect the rehabilitation process

### Anatomical and technical aspects

MVD with SYNTAX score 0-22  
 Anatomy likely resulting in incomplete revascularization with CABG due to poor quality or missing conduits  
 Severe chest deformation or scoliosis  
 Sequelae of chest radiation  
 Porcelain aorta<sup>a</sup>

## FAVOURS CABG

### Clinical characteristics

Diabetes  
 Reduced LV function (EF  $\leq$ 35%)  
 Contraindication to DAPT  
 Recurrent diffuse in-stent restenosis

### Anatomical and technical aspects

MVD with SYNTAX score  $\geq$ 23  
 Anatomy likely resulting in incomplete revascularization with PCI  
 Severely calcified coronary artery lesions limiting lesion expansion

### Need for concomitant interventions

Ascending aortic pathology with indication for surgery  
 Concomitant cardiac surgery