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Invasive coronary angiogram (ICA) vs. computed tomography angiogram (CTA) in diagnosing coronary artery disease (CAD)

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Complimentary role of coronary computed tomography angiogram (CTA) in patients with coronary artery disease (CAD)



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Disclosure

- I have nothing to disclose except that I am a plumber interested in the intersection between noninvasive and invasive imaging



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Objectives

Review the utility of
cCTA in patients with
chest pain

Explore the emerging
roles of cCTA in
patients with:

- NSTEMI-ACS
- Known CAD



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Case

77-year-old man with CAD who underwent CABG (LIMA-LAD, VG-OM) and bioprosthetic AVR (25mm Inspiris) almost 2 years ago, was referred for coronary angiogram for DOE “angina equivalent” and abnormal cCTA

- PMH/PSH
 - Recent Stroke (2 months prior): LUE weakness, dizziness
 - PAD
 - HTN, DLD, H/O Tob use d/o



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cCTA

Atretic/occluded LIMA graft to the LAD.

Patent aortic graft to the OM1.

Obstructive native multivessel coronary disease, including:

- occlusion of the proximal LCX
- severe stenosis in the ramus intermedius artery
- >70% diameter stenosis in the proximal RCA

#Compared to catheter coronary angiography (done before AVR and CABG):

There has interval bypass grafts to the LAD and OM1.

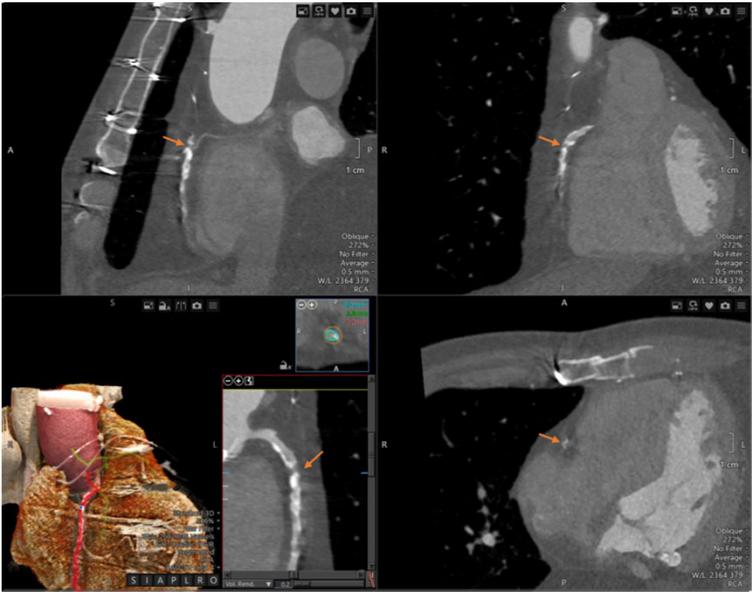
The proximal RCA disease appears more severe today



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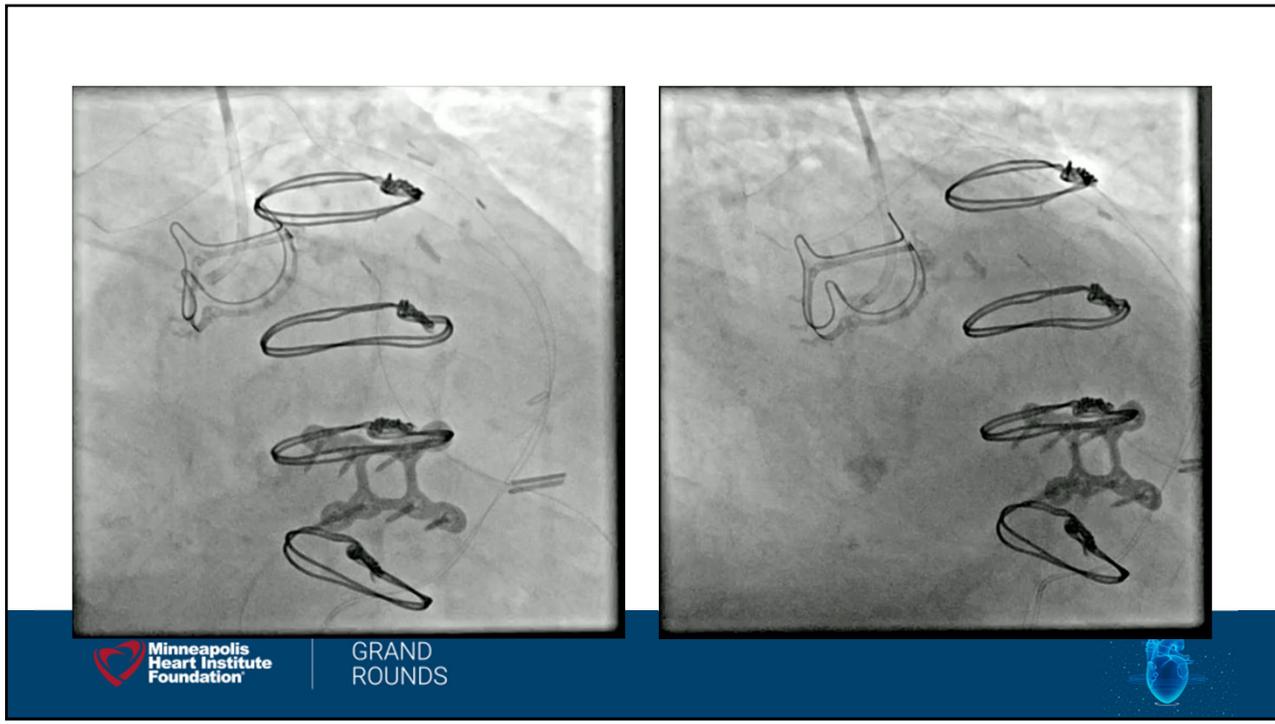
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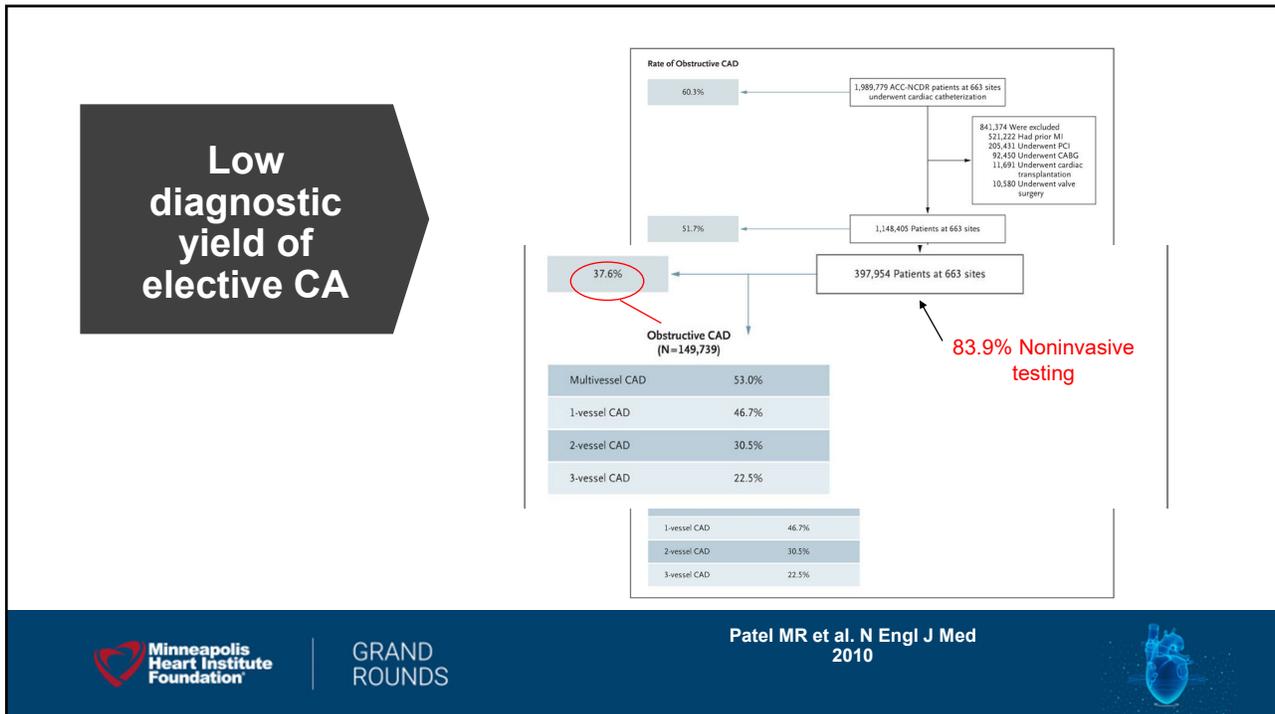


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**30-days
 adverse
 events after
 CTA vs ICA
 (CORE 320)**

Table 2 Serious adverse events and adverse events

Total 381 pts

| | Number of patients |
|--|--------------------|
| CT associated serious adverse events | |
| Renal failure | 0 |
| Reaction to contrast dye | 3 |
| Transient heart block | 2 |
| Hypotension | 1 |
| Extravasation of contrast agent in the antecubital fossa | 1 |
| Pulmonary edema ^a | 1 |
| Vagal episode | 1 |
| Cardiovascular events | |
| Death | 0 |
| Myocardial infarction ^b | 2 |
| Stroke | 0 |
| Hospitalization for CV event | 4 |
| Coronary dissection ^c | 2 |
| Chest pain ^d | 2 |
| Femoral artery pseudo-aneurysm (vascular event) ^e | 1 |
| Intracerebral bleeding/infarct ^f | 1 |

CT, computed tomography angiography; CV, cardiovascular.
^aPulmonary edema: patient had CHF exacerbation after the CT scan.
^bMyocardial infarction: one patient had MI after PCI and one 5 months later.
^cCoronary dissections were as follows: A 59-year-old female had a dissection during diagnostic catheterization and a 71-year-old male had dissection during PCI.
^dChest pain: one non-cardiac and one occurred after the CT examination.
^eFemoral artery pseudo-aneurysm: vascular access complication.
^fIntracerebral bleeding/infarct detected 24 h post-cardiac catheterization.



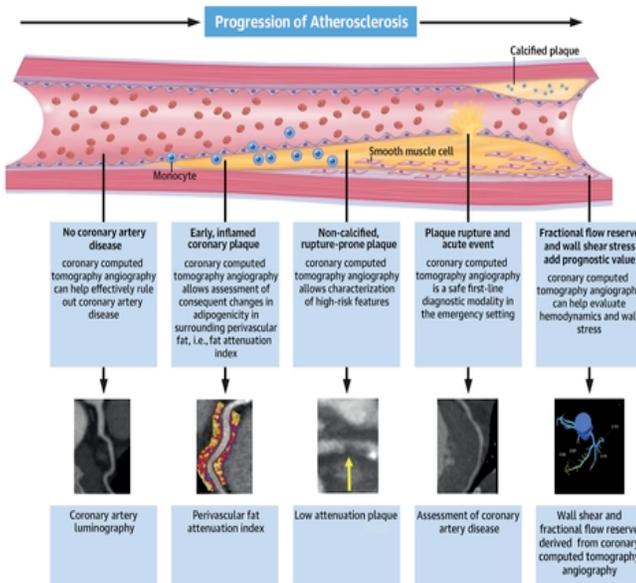
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Abdelrahman, K.M. et al. J Am Coll Cardiol. 2020;76(10):1226-43.



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**NPV of cCTA
 (ACCURACY)**

Table 2 Patient-Based Analysis

| | Estimate, % | 95% CI, % | Subjects in Group, n | Subjects Correct by CCTA, n |
|----------------------|-------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| ≥50% stenosis | | | | |
| Sensitivity | 95 | 85-99 | 55 | 52 |
| Specificity | 83 | 76-88 | 172 | 142 |
| PPV | 64 | 53-75 | 81 | 52 |
| NPV | 99 | 96-100 | 143 | 142 |
| ≥70% stenosis | | | | |
| Sensitivity | 94 | 79-99 | 31 | 29 |
| Specificity | 83 | 77-88 | 196 | 162 |
| PPV | 48 | 35-62 | 60 | 29 |
| NPV | 99 | 96-100 | 164 | 162 |



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**cCTA highest sensitiv
 for ruling out CAD**

Table 1 The performance of different tests for anatomically and functionally significant coronary artery disease

| Anatomically significant CAD | | | | | Functionally significant CAD | | | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Test | Sensitivity (%), (95% CI) | Specificity (%), (95% CI) | +LR (95% CI) | -LR (95% CI) | Test | Sensitivity (%), (95% CI) | Specificity (%), (95% CI) | +LR (95% CI) | -LR (95% CI) |
| Stress ECG | 58 (46-69) | 62 (54-69) | 1.53 (1.21-1.94) | 0.68 (0.49-0.93) | ICA | 68 (60-75) | 73 (55-86) | 2.49 (1.47-4.21) | 0.44 (0.36-0.54) |
| Stress echo | 85 (80-89) | 82 (72-89) | 4.67 (2.95-7.41) | 0.18 (0.13-0.25) | CCTA | 93 (89-96) | 53 (37-68) | 1.97 (1.28-3.03) | 0.13 (0.06-0.25) |
| CCTA | 97 (93-99) | 78 (67-86) | 4.44 (2.64-7.45) | 0.04 (0.01-0.09) | SPECT | 73 (62-82) | 83 (71-90) | 4.21 (2.62-6.76) | 0.33 (0.24-0.46) |
| SPECT | 87 (83-90) | 70 (63-76) | 2.88 (2.33-3.56) | 0.19 (0.15-0.24) | PET | 89 (82-93) | 85 (81-88) | 6.04 (4.29-8.51) | 0.13 (0.08-0.22) |
| PET | 90 (78-96) | 85 (78-90) | 5.87 (3.40-10.15) | 0.12 (0.05-0.29) | Stress CMR | 89 (85-92) | 87 (83-91) | 7.10 (5.07-9.95) | 0.13 (0.09-0.18) |
| Stress CMR | 90 (83-94) | 80 (69-88) | 4.54 (2.37-8.72) | 0.13 (0.07-0.24) | | | | | |

Note: ICA itself was used as a reference standard for the anatomically significant CAD estimates but was included as a technique when FFR was used as the reference. Not every test had enough data using FFR as reference. CCTA, coronary computed tomography angiography; CI, confidence interval; CMR, stress cardiac magnetic resonance; ECG, electrocardiogram; ICA, invasive coronary angiography; LR, likelihood ratio; PET, positron emission tomography; SPECT, single-photon emission computed tomography (exercise stress SPECT with or without dipyridamole or adenosine); Stress echo, exercise stress echocardiography.

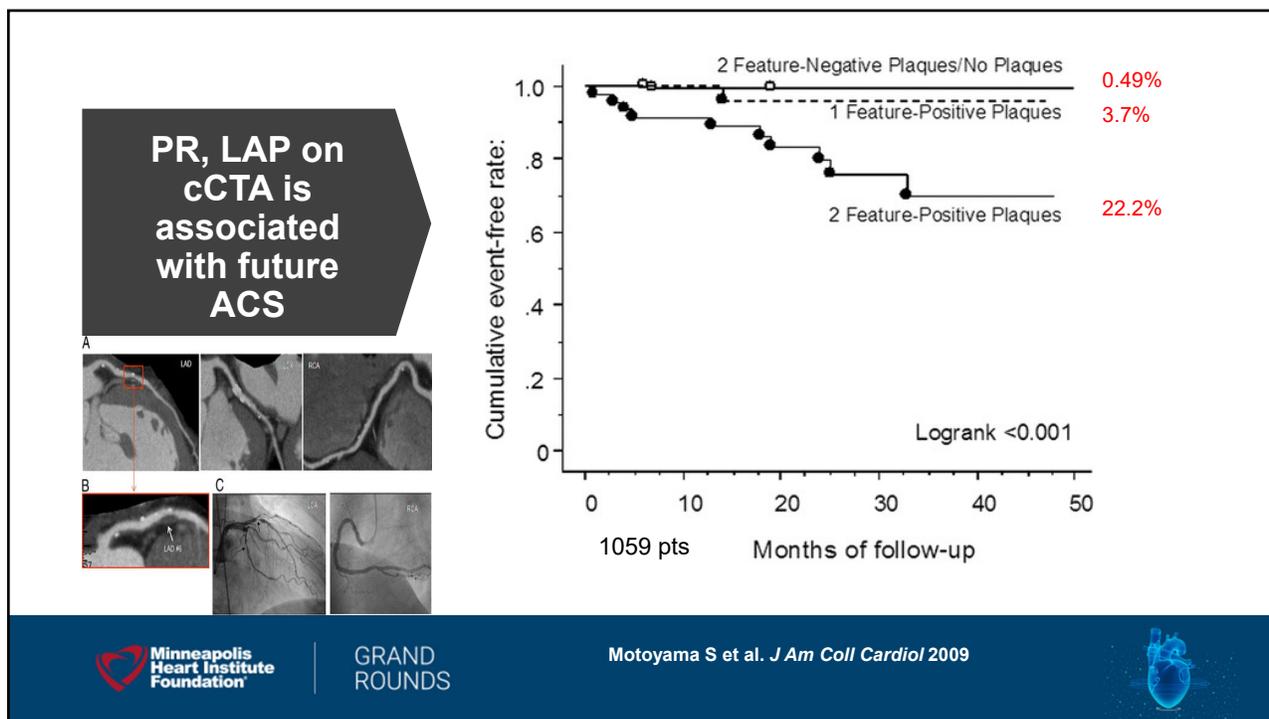


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cCTA → ↑ ICA, Revasc, CAD dx and use of ASA, Statin

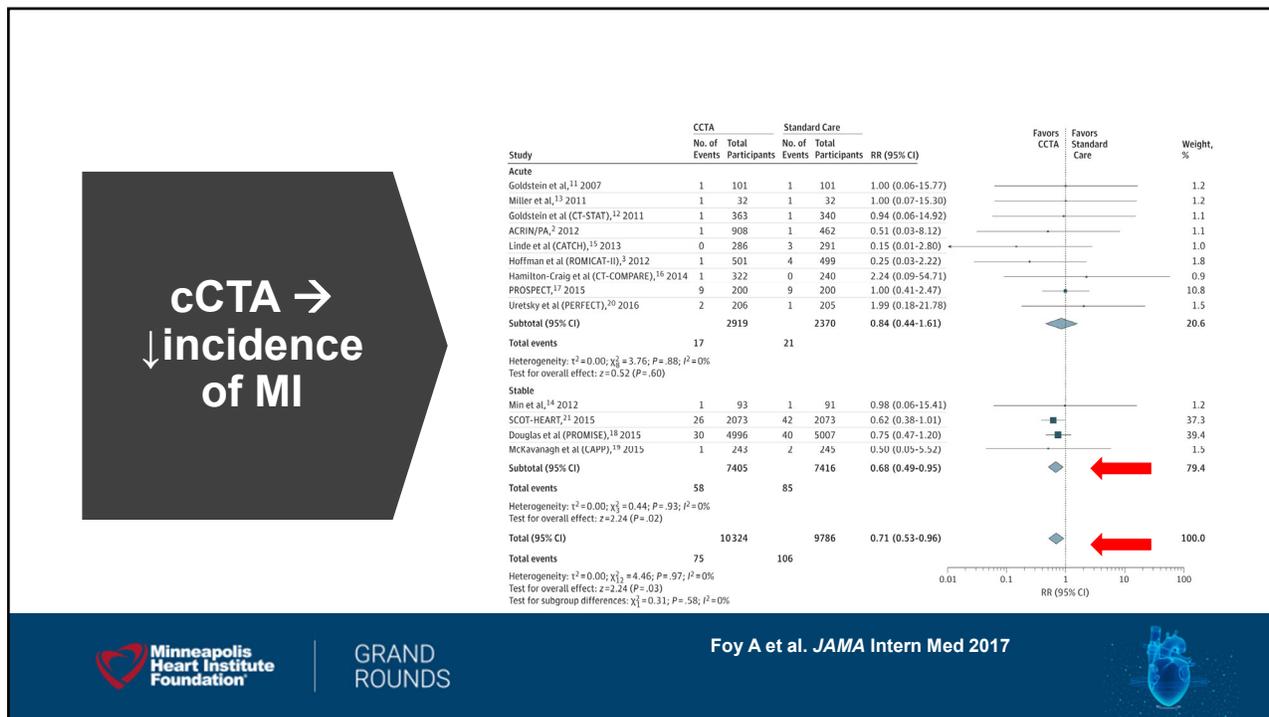
Table 2. Summary of Findings^a

| Outcome | Illustrative Comparative Risks, No. per 1000 ^b | | | No. of Participants (No. of Studies) | Quality of Evidence ^c |
|-----------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | Assumed Risk (5c) | Corresponding Risk (cCTA) (95% CI) | RR (95% CI) | | |
| Death | 11 | 10 (8-14) | 0.93 (0.71-1.21) | 20 092 (13) | Moderate |
| Acute chest pain subgroup | 3 | 2 (1-5) | 0.66 (0.27-1.59) | 5275 (9) | Moderate |
| Stable chest pain subgroup | 13 | 12 (9-17) | 0.96 (0.72-1.27) | 14 817 (4) | Moderate |
| Myocardial infarction | 11 | 8 (6-11) | 0.71 (0.53-0.96) | 20 092 (13) | Moderate |
| Acute chest pain subgroup | 8 | 7 (4-13) | 0.84 (0.44-1.61) | 5275 (9) | Moderate |
| Stable chest pain subgroup | 11 | 7 (5-10) | 0.68 (0.49-0.95) | 14 817 (4) | Moderate |
| Cardiac hospitalization | 27 | 27 (21-33) | 0.98 (0.79-1.21) | 19 401 (12) | Moderate |
| Acute chest pain subgroup | 63 | 52 (42-66) | 0.83 (0.66-1.04) | 4584 (8) | Moderate |
| Stable chest pain subgroup | 17 | 21 (16-26) | 1.21 (0.96-1.53) | 14 821 (4) | Moderate |
| Invasive coronary angiography | 91 | 121 (102-155) | 1.33 (1.12-1.59) | 20 092 (13) | Moderate |
| Acute chest pain subgroup | 72 | 100 (79-127) | 1.39 (1.10-1.76) | 5275 (9) | Moderate |
| Stable chest pain subgroup | 98 | 125 (94-167) | 1.27 (0.96-1.70) | 14 817 (4) | Moderate |
| Revascularization | 45 | 84 (64-109) | 1.86 (1.43-2.43) | 20 092 (13) | High |
| Acute chest pain subgroup | 28 | 55 (41-74) | 1.96 (1.45-2.65) | 5275 (9) | High |
| Stable chest pain subgroup | 51 | 87 (57-133) | 1.70 (1.12-2.60) | 14 817 (4) | Moderate |
| Coronary artery disease diagnosis | 83 | 232 (169-321) | 2.80 (2.03-3.87) | 8793 (9) | High |
| Acute chest pain subgroup | 50 | 169 (96-295) | 3.37 (1.92-5.89) | 3979 (6) | High |
| Stable chest pain subgroup | 107 | 251 (162-392) | 2.35 (1.51-3.66) | 4814 (3) | High |
| Therapeutic change—aspirin | 82 | 181 (98-331) | 2.21 (1.20-4.04) | 5625 (5) | Low |
| Acute chest pain subgroup | 249 | 316 (247-401) | 1.27 (0.99-1.61) | 811 (2) | Low |
| Stable chest pain subgroup | 54 | 189 (145-245) | 3.50 (2.69-4.54) | 4814 (3) | Low |
| Therapeutic change—statin | 73 | 148 (80-275) | 2.03 (1.09-3.76) | 5625 (5) | Low |
| Acute chest pain subgroup | 190 | 230 (177-300) | 1.21 (0.93-1.58) | 811 (2) | Low |
| Stable chest pain subgroup | 53 | 184 (139-244) | 3.48 (2.63-4.61) | 4814 (3) | Low |

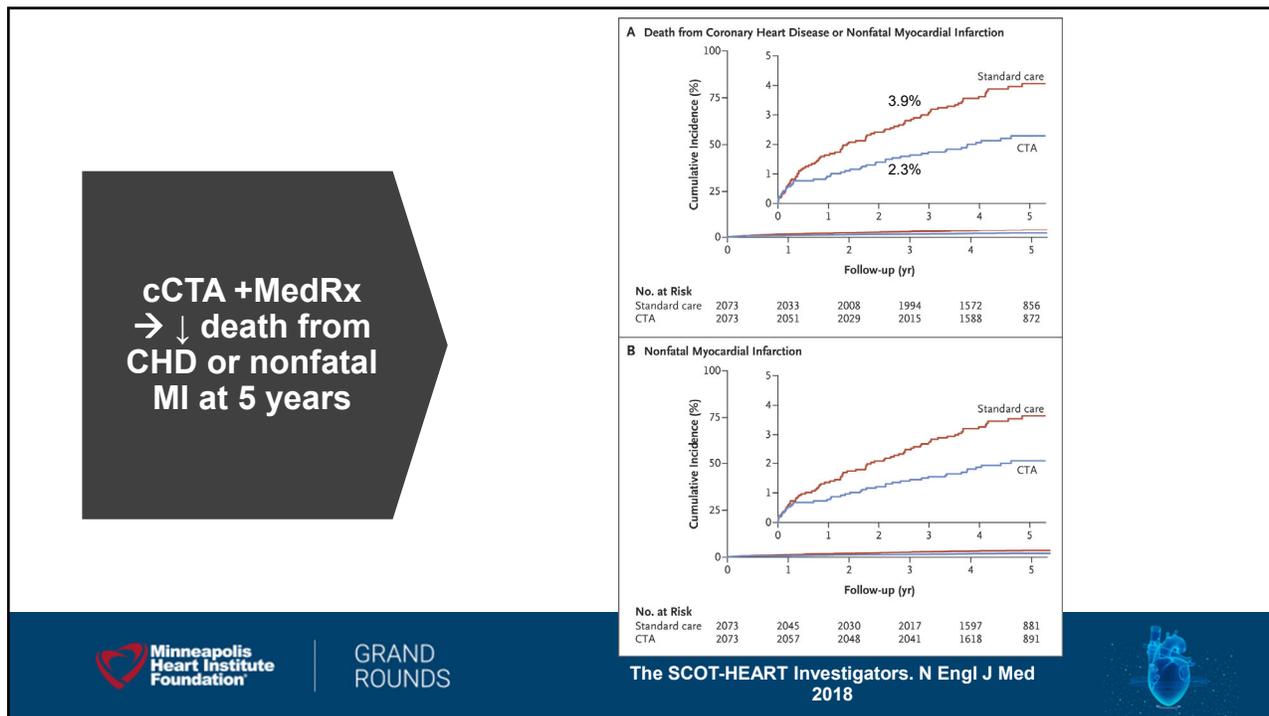
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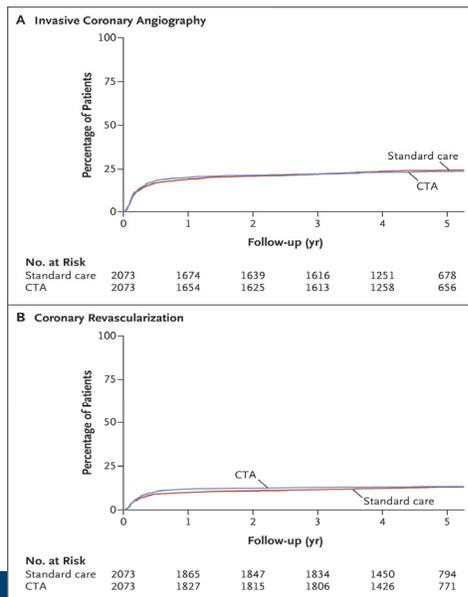


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**cCTA vs SC:
 No difference
 in ICA, Revasc
 at 5 years**



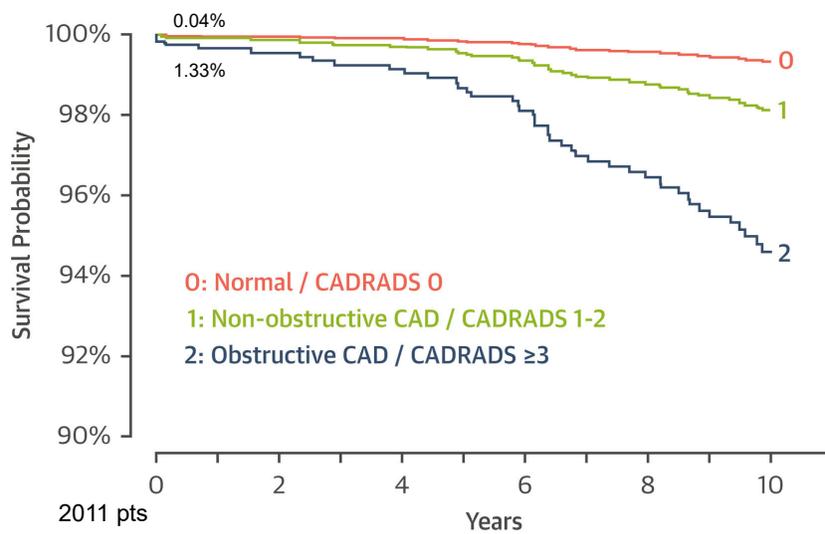
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The SCOT-HEART Investigators. N Engl J Med 2018



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**Normal cCTA →
 10 yrs guarantee
 (cardiac death,
 nonfatal MI)**



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Finck T et al. JACC Cardiovasc Img 2019



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ESC Guidelines 2019

| | | |
|--|-----|---|
| Non-invasive functional imaging for myocardial ischaemia ^c or coronary CTA is recommended as the initial test to diagnose CAD in symptomatic patients in whom obstructive CAD cannot be excluded by clinical assessment alone. ^{4,5,55,73,78-80} | I | B |
| It is recommended that selection of the initial non-invasive diagnostic test is done based on the clinical likelihood of CAD and other patient characteristics that influence test performance, ^d local expertise, and the availability of tests. | I | C |
| Functional imaging for myocardial ischaemia is recommended if coronary CTA has shown CAD of uncertain functional significance or is not diagnostic. ^{4,55,73} | I | B |
| Invasive coronary angiography is recommended as an alternative test to diagnose CAD in patients with a high clinical likelihood, severe symptoms refractory to medical therapy or typical angina at a low level of exercise, and clinical evaluation that indicates high event risk. Invasive functional assessment must be available and used to evaluate stenoses before revascularization, unless very high grade (>90% diameter stenosis). ^{71,72,74} | I | B |
| Invasive coronary angiography with the availability of invasive functional evaluation should be considered for confirmation of the diagnosis of CAD in patients with an uncertain diagnosis on non-invasive testing. ^{71,72} | IIa | B |
| Coronary CTA should be considered as an alternative to invasive angiography if another non-invasive test is equivocal or non-diagnostic. | IIa | C |
| Coronary CTA is not recommended when <u>extensive coronary calcification, irregular heart rate, significant obesity, inability to cooperate with breath-hold commands, or any other conditions make obtaining good image quality unlikely.</u> | III | C |
| Coronary calcium detection by CT is not recommended to identify individuals with obstructive CAD. | III | C |



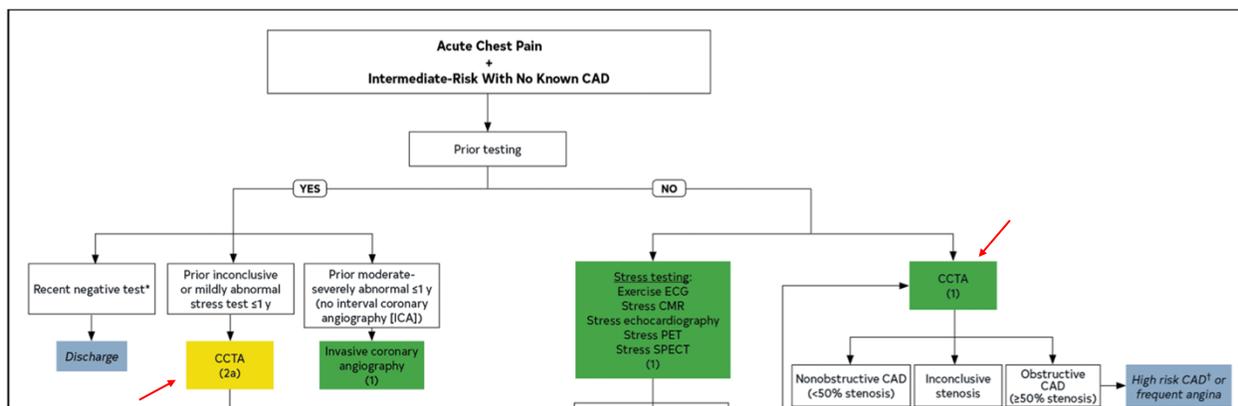
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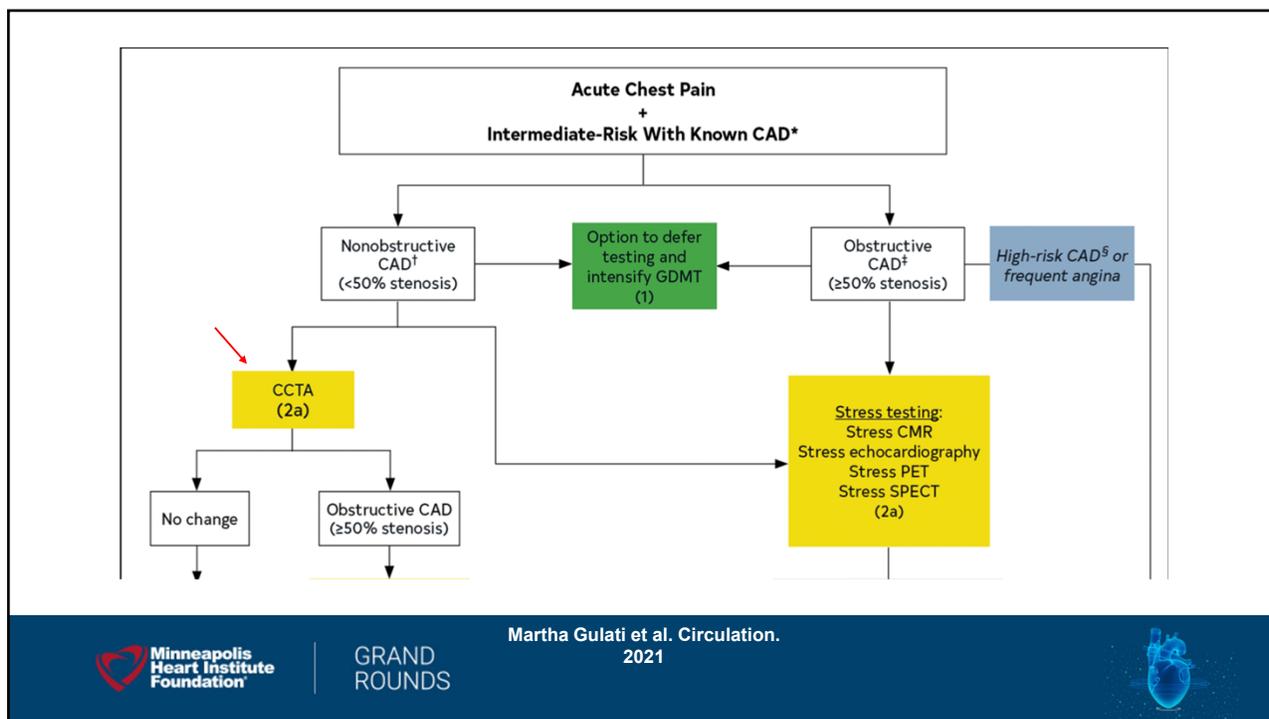
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Emerging roles of CTA

- Role of cCTA in patient with NSTEMI-ACS
- Role of cCTA in patient with known CAD
 - Prior CABG
 - Prior Stent
 - CTO
 - Multivessels

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≈ 30% of pts
with CP +
HST →
Nonobstruct
CAD

TABLE 2 In-Hospital Course

| | hs-cTnT | | | | p Value |
|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------|
| | <6 ng/l (n = 5,790) | 6-13 ng/l (n = 6,491) | 14-49 ng/l (n = 10,476) | ≥50 ng/l (n = 25,837) | |
| Coronary angiography | 1,419 | 2,247 | 4,808 | 18,017 | |
| Nonconclusive | 2 (0.1) | 8 (0.4) | 19 (0.4) | 59 (0.3) | 0.533 |
| Normal/atheromatosis | 806 (56.8) | 876 (39.0) | 1,373 (28.6) | 2,157 (12.0) | <0.001 |
| 1-2 VD | 456 (32.1) | 924 (41.1) | 2,222 (46.2) | 10,684 (59.3) | <0.001 |
| LM or 3 VD | 155 (10.9) | 439 (19.5) | 1,194 (24.8) | 5,117 (28.4) | <0.001 |



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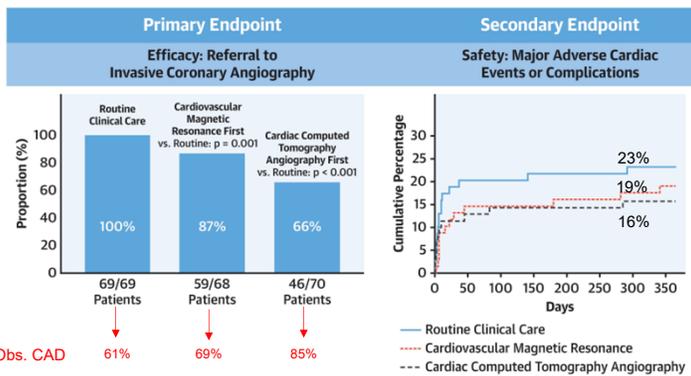
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Initial CMR/CTA
vs SC → ↓ ICA
but similar
MACE/Complica
tions

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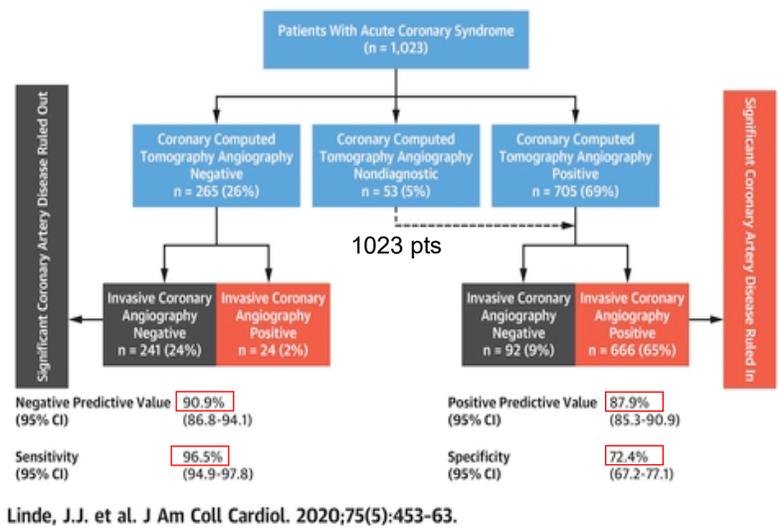
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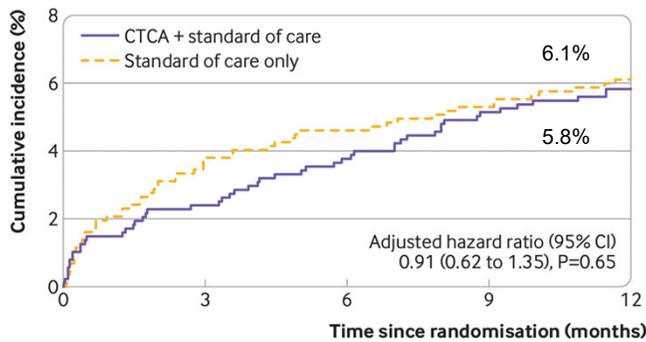
Diagnostic accuracy of cCTA in NSTEMI-ACS

CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION: Diagnostic Accuracy of Coronary Computed Tomography Angiography Using Invasive Coronary Angiography as Reference Standard



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1-yr clinical outcomes (RAPID-CTA)



No at risk

| Time since randomisation (months) | 0 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 12 |
|-----------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| CTCA + standard of care | 877 | 854 | 842 | 830 | 814 |
| Standard of care only | 871 | 836 | 828 | 822 | 802 |

Gray AJ et al. BMJ 2021

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1-yr clinical outcomes (RAPID-CTA)

Adjusted hazard ratio (95% CI) 0.66 (0.54 to 0.81), P<0.001

| No at risk | 0 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 12 |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| CTCA + standard of care | 875 | 751 | 723 | 703 | 679 |
| Standard of care only | 870 | 679 | 647 | 632 | 614 |

Table 4 | Medical treatment and other outcomes

| | CT coronary angiography and standard of care (n=877) | Standard of care only (n=871) | Estimate | Odds ratio (95% CI) | P value |
|---|--|-------------------------------|------------|---------------------|---------|
| In-hospital medical treatment for acute coronary syndrome | 595 (67.8) | 580 (66.6) | Unadjusted | 1.06 (0.87 to 1.29) | 0.58 |
| | | | Adjusted | 1.06 (0.85 to 1.32) | 0.63 |
| Change in preventive treatment | 554 (63.2) | 539 (61.9) | Unadjusted | 1.06 (0.87 to 1.28) | 0.58 |
| | | | Adjusted | 1.07 (0.87 to 1.32) | 0.52 |
| Preventive treatment: | | | | | |
| Started | 526 (60.0) | 509 (58.4) | — | — | — |
| Stopped | 71 (8.1) | 61 (7.0) | — | — | — |
| Dose changed | 91 (10.4) | 100 (11.5) | — | — | — |

Adjusted hazard ratio (95% CI) 0.92 (0.81 to 1.04), P=0.19

| No at risk | 0 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 12 |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| CTCA + standard of care | 877 | 448 | 426 | 406 | 393 |
| Standard of care only | 870 | 440 | 401 | 386 | 374 |

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2014 AHA/ACC NSTEMI-ACS Guideline

3. In patients with possible ACS and a normal ECG, normal cardiac troponins, and no history of CAD, it is reasonable to initially perform (without serial ECGs and troponins) coronary CT angiography to assess coronary artery anatomy^{205–207} (*Level of Evidence: A*)

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CABG



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Accuracy of CTA in grafts (contemporary CT)

Table 1 Diagnostic performance of contemporary CT technology for coronary artery bypass graft evaluation

| Author | Year | CT technology | Cases (n) | Grafts | Arterial/venous grafts (n) | Se (%) | Sp (%) | PPV (%) | NPV (%) | Radiation dose |
|---------------------|------|----------------|-----------|--------|----------------------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|-----------------|
| Koplay [29] | 2016 | 128-slice DSCT | 45 | 110 | 40/70 | 90 | 99 | 90 | 99 | 1.83 ± 0.89 mSv |
| Yuceler [30] | 2014 | 128-slice DSCT | 88 | 215 | 93/122 | 93 | 100 | 87 | 100 | 2.5 ± 0.6 mSv |
| Chaosuwannakit [31] | 2014 | 128-slice DSCT | 54 | 164 | 52/112 | 100 | 98 | 91 | 100 | Not reported |
| De Graaf [32] | 2011 | 320-slice SSCT | 38 | 89 | 28/61 | 96 | 92 | 83 | 98 | 7.8 ± 3.3 mSv |

DSCT dual source computed tomography, *SSCT* single source CT, *Se* sensitivity, *Sp* specificity, *PPV* positive predictive value, *NPV* negative predictive value, *mSv* millisievert



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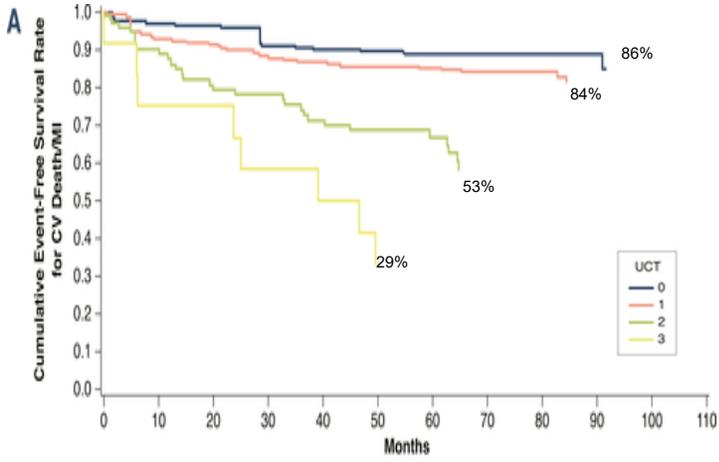
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Prognostic value of CTA in CABG

700 pts
Mean follow up 73 month



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CTA in ISR

100 pts with 192 stents

Table 3
Evaluability and diagnostic accuracy of CCTA in relation to stent characteristics during imaging, using only evaluable stents for analysis.

| Stent characteristics | N | Evaluability (%) | TP | TN | FP | FN | Sn (%) | Sp (%) | PPV (%) | NPV (%) | Accuracy (%) |
|-----------------------------|-----|-------------------|----|-----|----|----|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Stent diameter (mm) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <3.0 | 72 | 91.6 (82.6-96.8) | 10 | 45 | 11 | 1 | 90.1 (58.7-99.7) | 80.3 (67.6-89.7) | 47.6 (27.7-70.2) | 97.8 (88.5-99.9) | 82.1 (71.3-90.1) |
| ≥3.0 | 120 | 96.8 (91.9-99.2)* | 12 | 100 | 4 | 1 | 92.3 (63.9-99.8) | 96.1 (90.4-98.9)* | 75 (47.6-99.9) | 99.1 (94.6-99.9) | 95.7 (90.3-98.6)* |
| Strut thickness (µm) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <100 | 92 | 96.7 (90.7-99.3) | 14 | 68 | 7 | 1 | 93.3 (68.1-99.8) | 90.7 (81.7-96.2) | 66.7 (43.1-85.4) | 98.6 (92.2-99.9) | 91.1 (83.3-96.1) |
| ≥100 | 100 | 95 (88.7-98.4) | 8 | 77 | 8 | 1 | 88.9 (51.7-99.7) | 90.6 (82.3-95.8) | 50 (24.65-75.3) | 98.7 (93.1-99.9) | 90.4 (82.9-95.4) |
| Stent material | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Stainless steel | 101 | 96 (90.1-98.9) | 9 | 76 | 12 | 2 | 81.8 (48.2-97.7) | 86.4 (77.4-92.7) | 42.8 (21.8-65.9) | 97.4 (91.1-99.7) | 85.8 (77.4-91.5) |
| Cobalt-chromium | 91 | 95.6 (89.1-98.8) | 13 | 69 | 3 | 0 | 100 (75.3-100) | 95.8 (88.3-99.1)* | 81.2 (54.3-95.9)* | 100 (94.8-100) | 95.5 (88.9-98.7)* |

Table 4
Diagnostic accuracy in a stent-based analysis of CCTA for the detection of significant (>50%) in-stent restenosis in the overall population.

| All population | N | TN | TP | FN | FP | Sn (95% CI) | Sp (95% CI) | NPV (95% CI) | PPV (95% CI) | Accuracy (95% CI) |
|---|-----|-----|----|----|----|------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Stent-based analysis (using evaluable stents only) | 184 | 145 | 22 | 2 | 15 | 91.7 (73-98.9) | 90.6 (85-94.7) | 98.6 (95.2-99.8) | 59.5 (42.1-75.3) | 90.7 (85.5-94.5) |
| Stent-based analysis (using all stents, with not evaluable stents censored as positive) | 192 | 145 | 24 | 2 | 21 | 91.7 (74.9-99.1) | 90.6 (81.3-92) | 98.6 (95.2-99.8) | 59.5 (37.9-68.3) | 90.7 (82.5-92.2) |

FN: false negative; FP: false positive; NPV: negative predictive value; PPV: positive predictive value; Sn: sensitivity; Sp: specificity; TN: true negative; TP: true positive.

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Diagnostic performance of CTA in ISR

35 studies (total of 2656 patients and 4131 stents)

Sens: 90% Spec: 94%

AUC: 0.97

COMBINED
Q=0.00, I²=0.00, P=0.00
Q=501.13, df=34.00, p=0.00
I²=93.22 [91.69 - 94.74]

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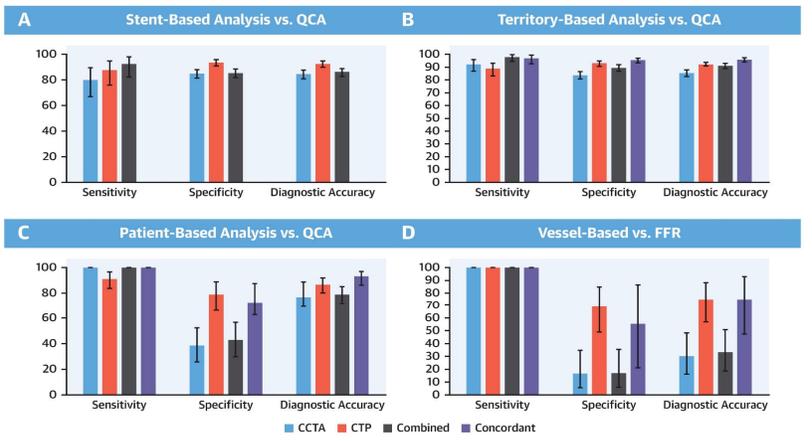
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CTP + CTA
 → ↑ Diag rate /accuracy for ISR

150 pts

CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION: Diagnostic Accuracy of Coronary CTA, CTP, Combined and Concordant Coronary CTA + CTP Versus QCA and Invasive FFR



Andreini, D. et al. J Am Coll Cardiol Img. 2020;13(3):732-42.

CTO

Planning CTO

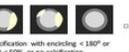
CT-RECTOR Score Calculator

Predictors Definitions

| | | | | | |
|--|----------------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|---|
| <p>Multiple Occlusion  Presence of ≥2 complete interruptions of the contrast opacification separated by contrast-enhanced segment of ≥5 mm. ■ Presence (1) ■ Absence (0)</p> <p>Blunt Stump  Absence of any tapered stump at the entry or exit site. ■ Presence (1) ■ Absence (0)</p> <p>Severe Calcification  Presence of any calcium involving ≥50% of the vessel cross-sectional area at the entry or exit site or within the occlusion route. ■ Presence (1) ■ Absence (0)</p> <p>Bending ≥45°  Presence of any bending ≥45° at the entry or exit site or within the occlusion route. ■ Presence (1) ■ Absence (0)</p> <p>Second Attempt Previously failed PCI at CTO. ■ Yes (1) ■ No (0)</p> <p>Duration of CTO Duration of CTO ≥12 months or unknown. ■ Yes (1) ■ No (0)</p> <p>Difficulty Group</p> <table border="0" style="font-size: x-small;"> <tr> <td>■ Easy (0)</td> <td>■ Difficult (2)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>■ Intermediate (1)</td> <td>■ Very Difficult (3)</td> </tr> </table> | ■ Easy (0) | ■ Difficult (2) | ■ Intermediate (1) | ■ Very Difficult (3) | <p>Multiple Occlusion ■ Presence (1) ■ Absence (0)</p> <p>Blunt Stump ■ Presence (1) ■ Absence (0)</p> <p>Severe Calcification ■ Presence (1) ■ Absence (0)</p> <p>Bending ≥45° ■ Presence (1) ■ Absence (0)</p> <p>Second Attempt ■ Yes (1) ■ No (0)</p> <p>Duration of CTO ■ Yes (1) ■ No (0)</p> <p>Total Score</p> |
| ■ Easy (0) | ■ Difficult (2) | | | | |
| ■ Intermediate (1) | ■ Very Difficult (3) | | | | |

KCCT Score: definition and scoring system

Version 1

| | |
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| <p>1. Blunt proximal entry site  <input type="checkbox"/> 1 point</p> <p>2. Proximal adjacent side branch  <input type="checkbox"/> 1 point</p> <p>3. Occlusion length ≥ 15 mm  <input type="checkbox"/> 1 point</p> <p>4. Bend > 45 degree in CTO segment  <input type="checkbox"/> 1 point</p> <p>5. Severe calcification Peripheral calcification: maximal encircling ≥ 180° and CSA ≥ 50% <input type="checkbox"/> 1 point or Central calcification (80° and CSA ≥ 100%) <input type="checkbox"/> 2 points</p> <p>6. Reattempt of previously failed CTO PCI <input type="checkbox"/> 1 point</p> <p>7. Occlusion duration ≥ 12 month or unknown <input type="checkbox"/> 1 point</p> | <p>Tapered proximal entry site  <input type="checkbox"/> 0 point</p> <p>No side branch adjacent to proximal entry site  <input type="checkbox"/> 0 point</p> <p>Occlusion length < 15 mm  <input type="checkbox"/> 0 point</p> <p>Bend ≤ 45 degree or bend in non-CTO segment  <input type="checkbox"/> 0 point</p> <p>Calcification with encircling < 180° or CSA < 50% or no calcification  <input type="checkbox"/> 0 point</p> <p>Difficulty category and total score</p> <p>Total score (sum of all points) = <input type="text" value=""/> points</p> <p>Category: <input type="checkbox"/> Easy (0) <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate (1) <input type="checkbox"/> Difficult (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Very difficult (3) <input type="checkbox"/> Extremely difficult (4)</p> |
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Opolski MP et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol Intv* 2015

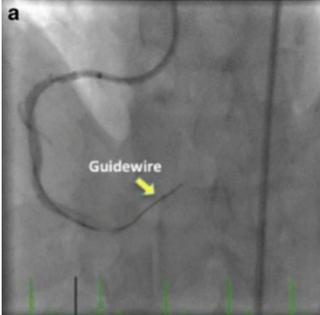
Yu C-W et al. *Circ: Cardiovasc Imag* 2017.



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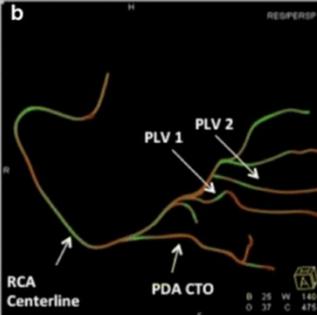
Real time fusion (CTA+ICA)

a



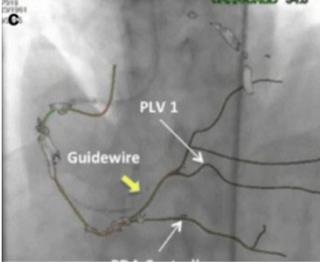
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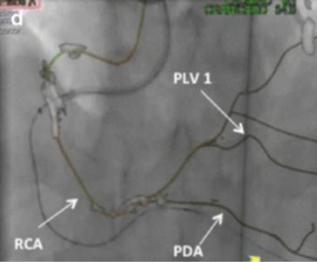
PLV 1 PLV 2
RCA Centerline PDA CTO

c



PLV 1
Guidewire

d



PLV 1
RCA PDA



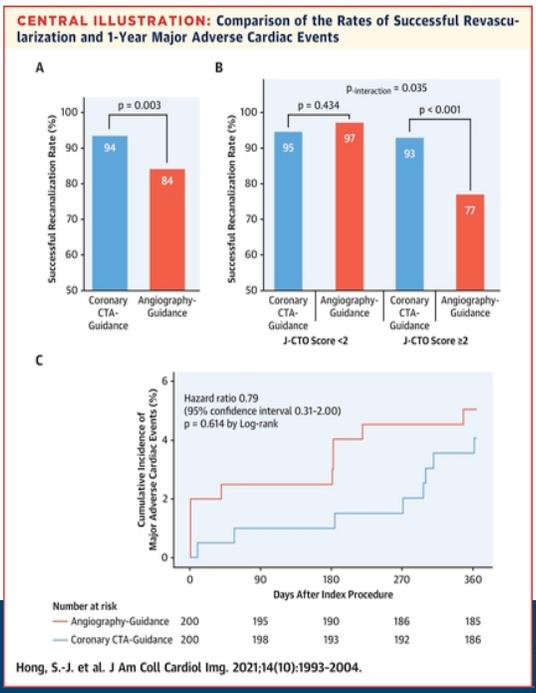
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Ghoshhajra BB et al. *Eur Radiol* 2017



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CTA → ↑ success rate
↓ perforations, periproced MI



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MV-CAD

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**cCTA for
 heart team
 decision in
 MV-CAD**

| 223 patients | | |
|---|----------------|----------------------------|
| Heart team treatment recommendation based on coronary computed tomography angiography | | |
| Heart team treatment recommendation based on conventional angiography | CABG | PCI/equipoise CABG and PCI |
| CABG | 23.4% (52/222) | 2.7% (6/222) |
| PCI/Equipoise CABG and PCI | 4.5% (10/222) | 69.4% (154/222) |

Cohen's kappa 0.82 (95% CI 0.73–0.910)

Agreement in 93% of the heart team's treatment recommendation.



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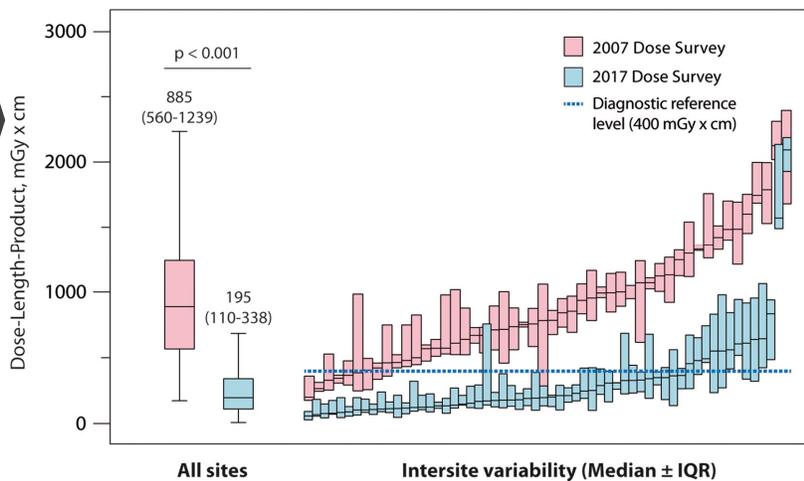
Collet C et al. EHJ 2018



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**78% ↓ in
 DLP
 2017 vs 2007**

61 hospitals from 32 countries (prospectively enrolled 4502 pts)



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Stocker TJ et al. *Eur Heart J* 2018



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SCCT 2021 Expert Consensus Document on CTA

Role of CTA in Chronic CAD

- 1** First line test for evaluating patients with:
 - No known CAD and Stable Typical or Atypical Chest Pain, or Anginal Equivalent
- 2** First line test for evaluating patients with:
 - Coronary Anomalies
 - Prior CABG, particularly if graft patency or location of LIMA is the primary objective
- 3** Reasonable test for evaluating patients with:
 - A non-conclusive functional test; to obtain more precision regarding diagnosis and prognosis
- 4** Reasonable test for evaluating patients with:
 - Coronary Stents > 3.0 mm
 - Proximal, Non Bifurcation thin strut Stents < 3.0 mm
 - Prior to Non Cardiac Surgery in younger patients with low-intermediate probability of CAD
 - Evaluating Coronary Anatomy in patients with suspected Dissection of the Aorta
- 5** Reasonable test for evaluating patients with:
 - Known CAD and Stable Typical or Atypical Chest Pain, or Angina Equivalent

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Thank you!

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Back up Slides



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Limitations of CTA

Obese patient's

Extreme calcification

Irregular heart rhythm
(AF)



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Evaluation of Stable Coronary Artery Disease: Coronary CTA in Other Conditions

- It is appropriate to perform CTA for coronary artery evaluation prior to noncoronary cardiac surgery as an equivalent alternative to invasive angiography in selected patients, e.g., low-intermediate probability of CAD, younger patients with primarily non-degenerative valvular conditions.
- CTA may be considered an appropriate alternative to other noninvasive tests for evaluation of selected patients prior to noncardiac surgery.
- It is appropriate to perform CTA to exclude coronary artery disease in patients with suspected non-ischemic cardiomyopathy.
- It may be appropriate to perform late enhancement CT imaging to detect infiltrative heart disease or scar in selected patients who have non-ischemic or ischemic cardiomyopathy and who cannot undergo cardiac MRI. Such imaging may be performed if it has the potential to impact the diagnosis and/or treatment (e.g. planning for ablation therapy).
- It may be appropriate to perform CTA as an alternative to invasive coronary angiography for the screening of patients for coronary allograft vasculopathy in selected clinical practice settings.
- It is appropriate to perform CTA for the evaluation of coronary anomalies.

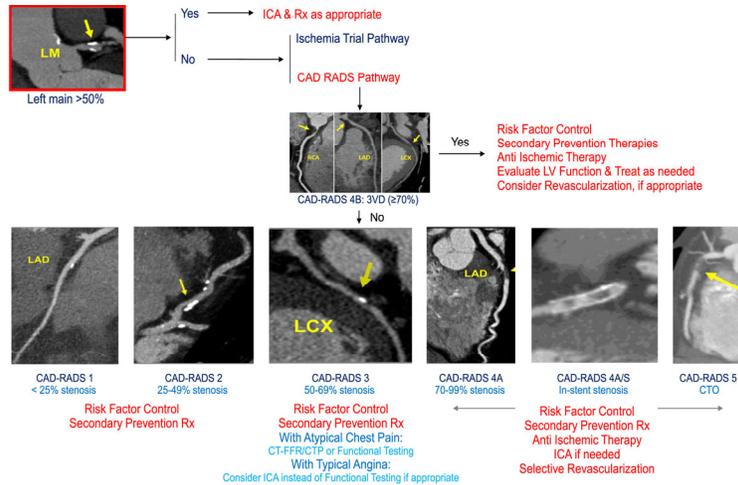


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Decision making

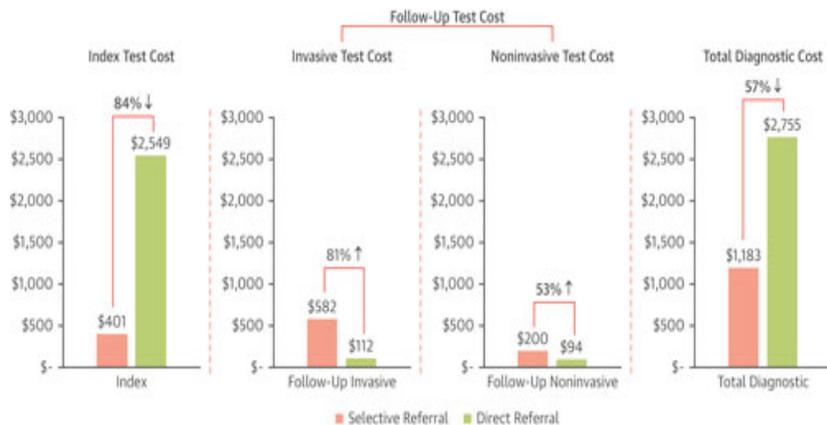


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CONVERSE (cost)



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Hyuk-Jae Chang et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol Img* 2018.



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Table 2 Diagnostic Accuracy of CTA for Detecting ≥50% Coronary Arterial Stenosis

| | n | CAD | Sensitivity | Specificity | PPV | NPV | AUC |
|-------------------------------------|-----|-------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Quantitative CTA, all | 371 | 63.1% | 0.88 (0.83–0.92) | 0.87 (0.80–0.92) | 0.92 (0.88–0.95) | 0.81 (0.74–0.87) | 0.93 (0.90–0.95) |
| Quantitative CTA, <600 | 291 | 56.0% | 0.85 (0.79–0.90) | 0.90 (0.83–0.94) | 0.91 (0.86–0.95) | 0.83 (0.75–0.89) | 0.93 (0.90–0.96) |
| Quantitative CTA, ≥600 | 80 | 88.8% | 0.94 (0.86–0.98) | 0.44 (0.14–0.79) | 0.93 (0.85–0.98) | 0.50 (0.16–0.84) | 0.81 (0.71–0.89) |
| Quantitative CTA, without known CAD | 273 | 55.7% | 0.91 (0.85–0.95) | 0.87 (0.79–0.92) | 0.90 (0.84–0.94) | 0.88 (0.81–0.93) | 0.93 (0.90–0.96) |
| Visual CTA, all | 371 | 63.1% | 0.85 (0.80–0.89) | 0.90 (0.83–0.94) | 0.93 (0.89–0.96) | 0.78 (0.73–0.87) | 0.92 (0.89–0.95) |
| Visual CTA, calcium <600 | 291 | 56.0% | 0.83 (0.76–0.88) | 0.91 (0.85–0.96) | 0.92 (0.87–0.96) | 0.81 (0.71–0.85) | 0.92 (0.89–0.95) |
| Visual CTA, calcium ≥600 | 80 | 88.8% | 0.96 (0.88–0.99) | 0.56 (0.21–0.86) | 0.94 (0.86–0.98) | 0.63 (0.24–0.91) | 0.86 (0.77–0.93) |
| Quantitative CTA, intermed PTP | 172 | 47.7% | 0.89 (0.80–0.95) | 0.88 (0.79–0.94) | 0.87 (0.78–0.93) | 0.90 (0.81–0.95) | 0.93 (0.89–0.97) |
| Quantitative CTA, high PTP | 98 | 70.4% | 0.93 (0.84–0.98) | 0.83 (0.64–0.94) | 0.93 (0.84–0.98) | 0.83 (0.64–0.94) | 0.92 (0.85–0.96) |
| Quantitative CTA, known CAD | 98 | 83.7% | 0.83 (0.73–0.90) | 0.88 (0.62–0.98) | 0.97 (0.90–1.00) | 0.50 (0.31–0.69) | 0.93 (0.86–0.97) |

Arbab-Zadeh A et. *JACC* 2012

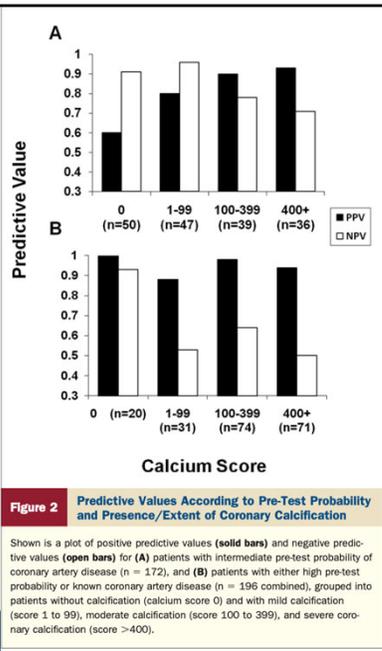


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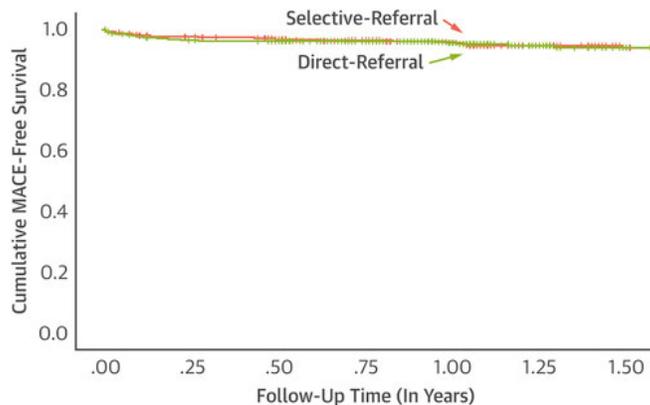
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Contrast

- Intravenous contrast doses are typically less than 75 mL in most labs, a value associated with very low (<1 percent) rates of contrast-induced nephropathy or adverse outcomes



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Table 1.
 Downstream Procedural Use Following Randomization

| | Selective Referral (n = 784 Underwent Index CCTA) | | Direct Referral (n = 719 Underwent Index ICA) | | p Value |
|------------------------------------|---|----|---|----|---------|
| | Total | % | Total | % | |
| Invasive procedures | | | | | |
| Invasive coronary angiography | 179 | 23 | 30 | 4 | <0.001 |
| Fractional flow reserve | 0 | 0 | 41 | 6 | <0.001 |
| Percutaneous coronary intervention | 89 | 11 | 109 | 15 | <0.001 |
| Coronary artery bypass surgery | 9 | 1 | 18 | 3 | 0.075 |
| Revascularization | 98 | 13 | 127 | 18 | 0.007 |



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CT-FFR limitation

- lower in patients with CT-FFR values between 0.70 and 0.80 (so called "gray zone")
- Not validated for the assessment of left main coronary artery stenosis or for patients with three-vessel CAD, particularly when involving total occlusions in the coronary vascular tree



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