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# Advances in Non-Invasive Cardiac Imaging Techniques: Cardiac CT



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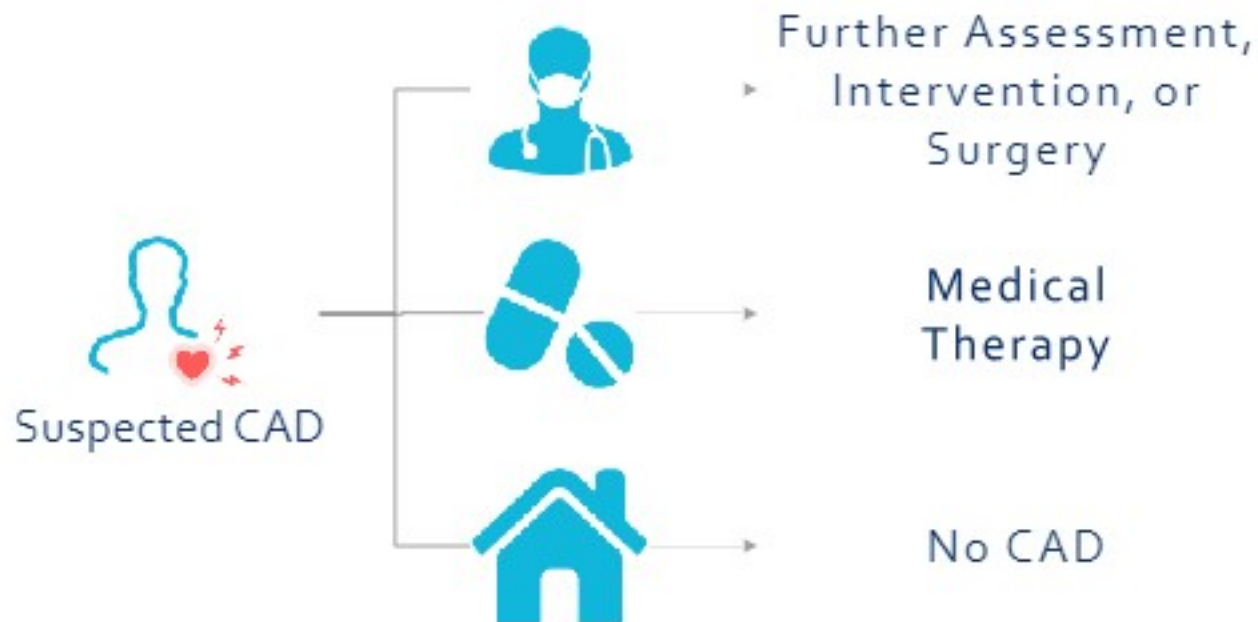
# Outline

- Coronary Artery Disease
- Structural Cardiology
- EP
- Others

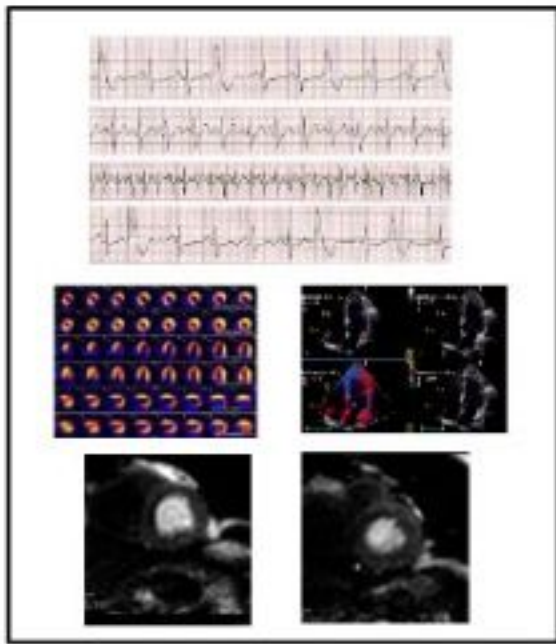


**Glagov's Model**

# Current Paradigm

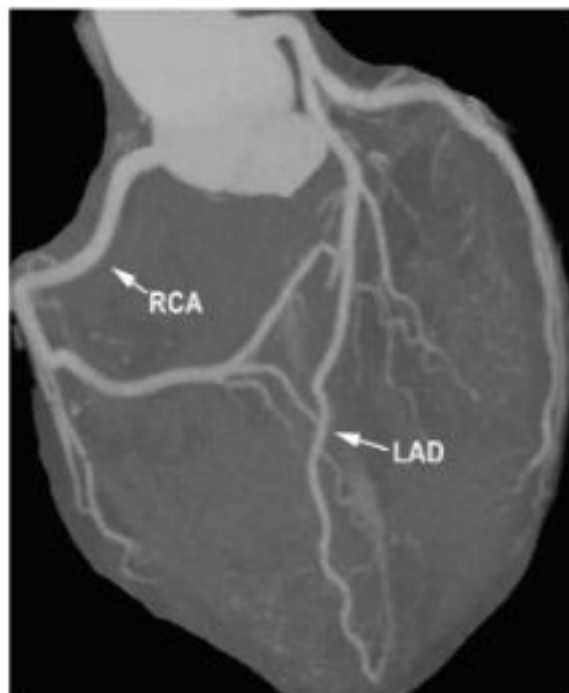
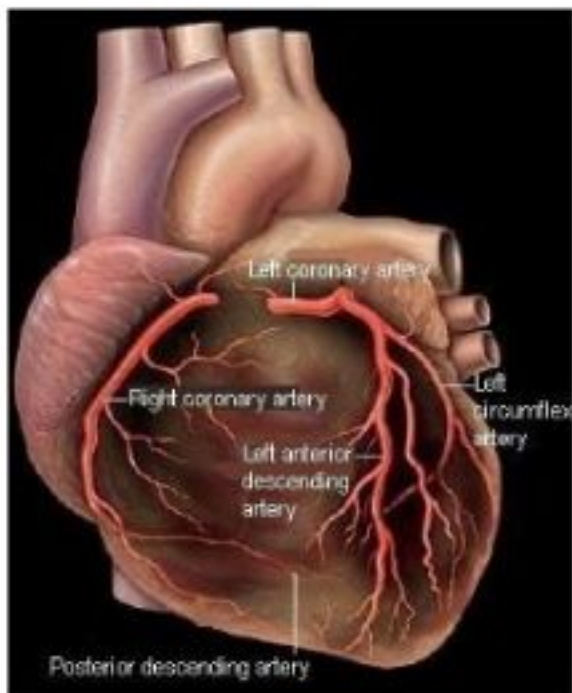


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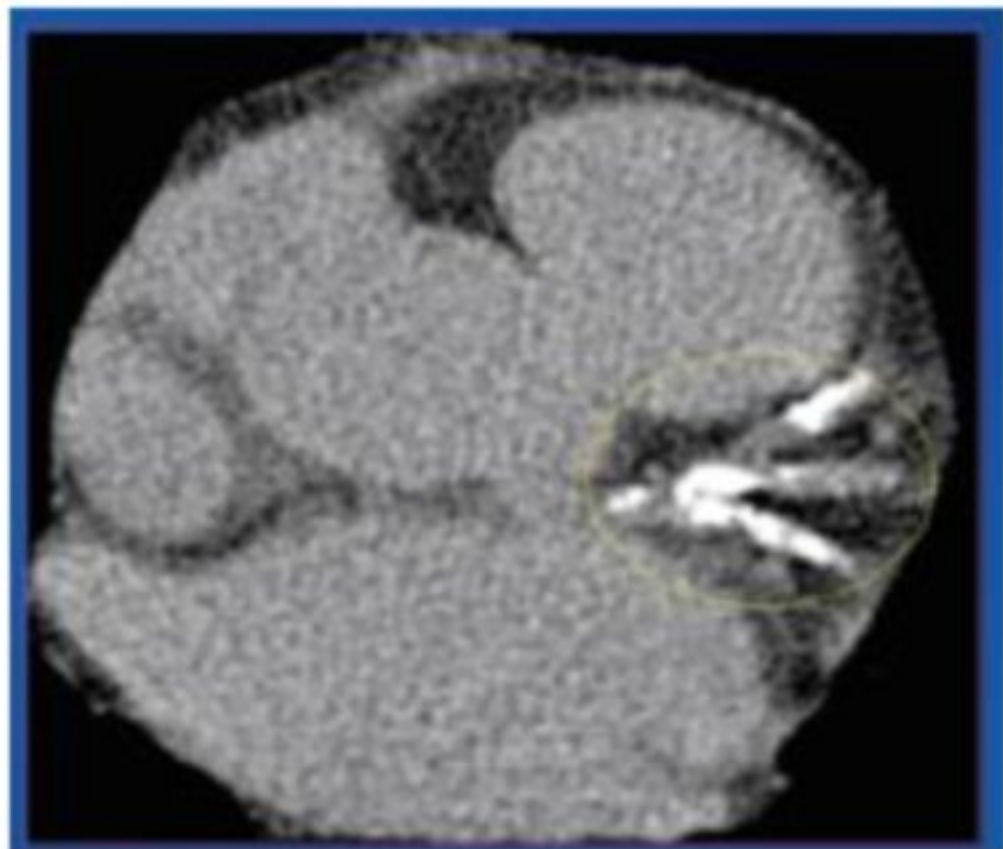




# Correlation with Coronary Angiogram







**CORONARY  
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## Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis (MESA)

N: 6814 , 50% Women, 62 ± 10 years

Median Follow-up: 15.7 years

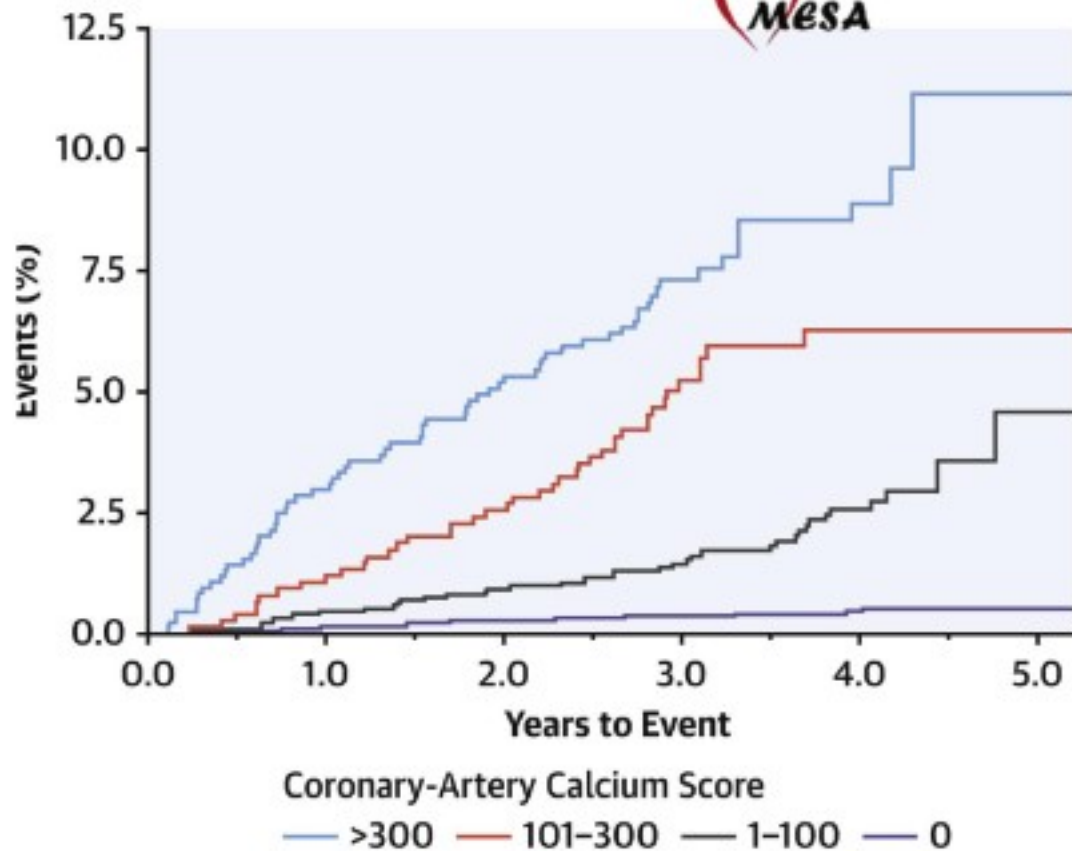
38% White, 28% Black, 23% Hispanic  
11% Chinese

Calcification:

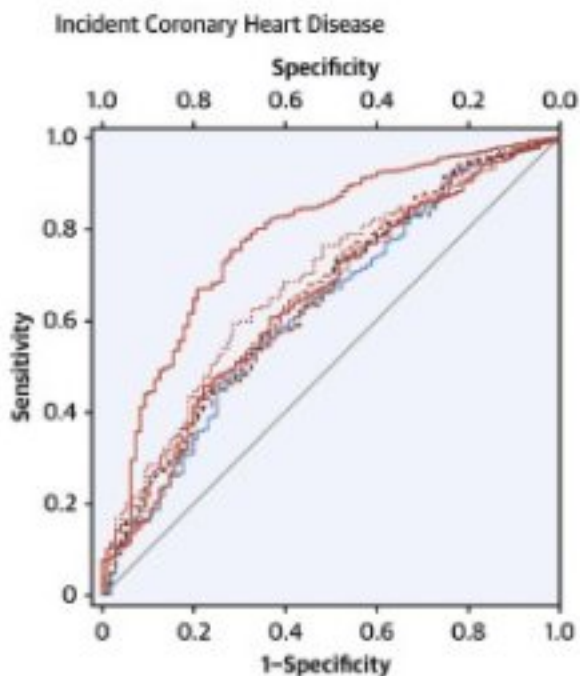
70% White, 52% Black, 57% Hispanic, 59%  
Chinese

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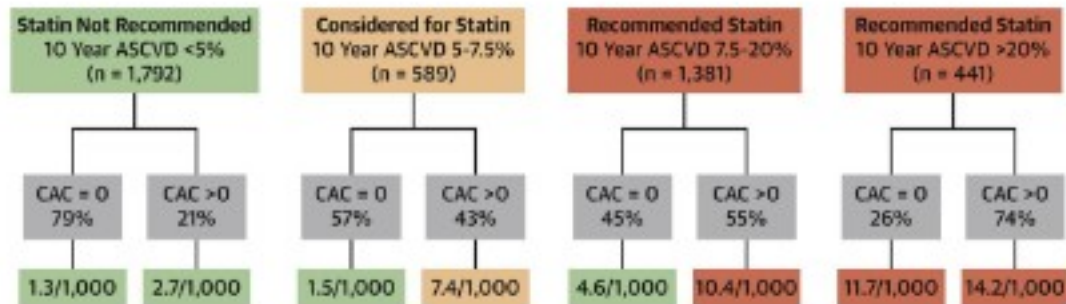
## UTILITY OF CORONARY CALCIUM SCORE



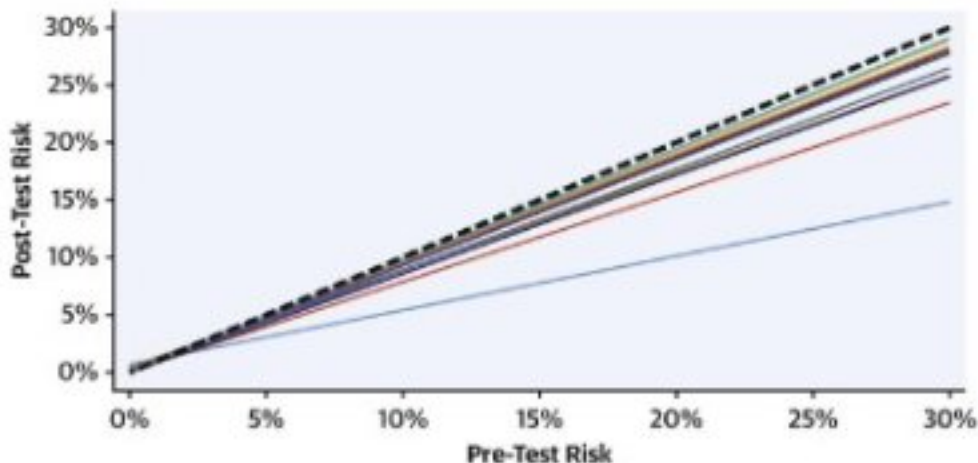
- Framingham Risk Score (FRS) Alone (Reference)
- FRS Plus Coronary Artery Calcium
- - - FRS Plus Carotid Intima-Media Thickness
- FRS Plus Brachial Flow-Mediated Dilatation
- - - FRS Plus C-Reactive Protein
- FRS Plus Family History
- FRS Plus Ankle-Brachial Index



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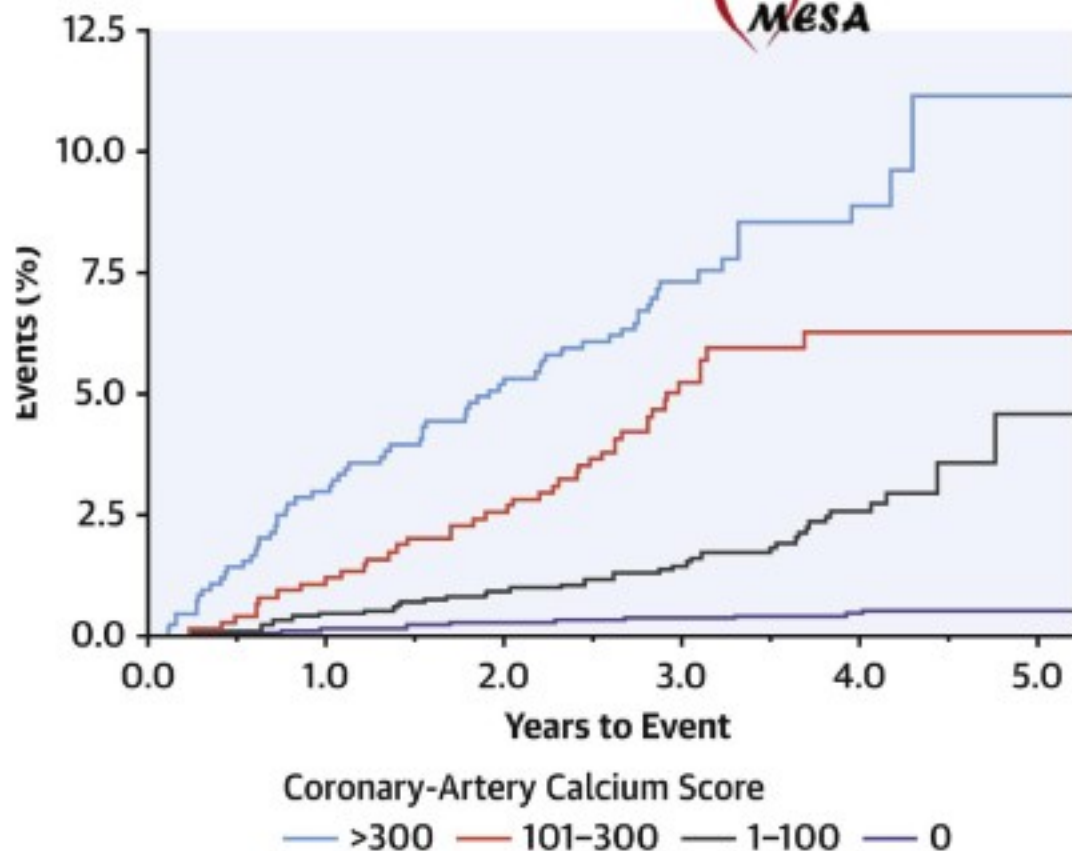


- Zero CAC
- cIMT <25th Percentile
- No Carotid Plaque
- Flow-Mediated Dilatation >5%
- Normal ABI
- hsCRP <2 mg/dL
- Homocysteine <10  $\mu$ mol/L

- BNP <100 pg/mL
- No Microalbuminuria
- No Family History of CHD
- No Family History of Premature CHD
- No Metabolic Syndrome
- Healthy Lifestyle

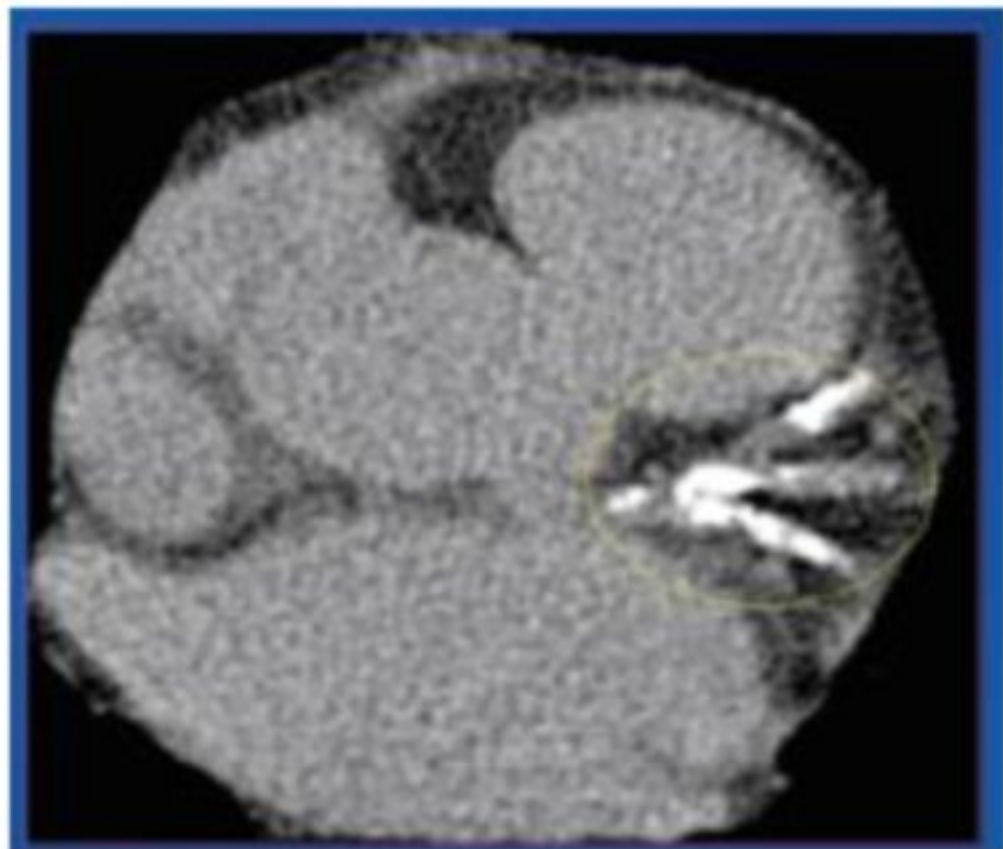


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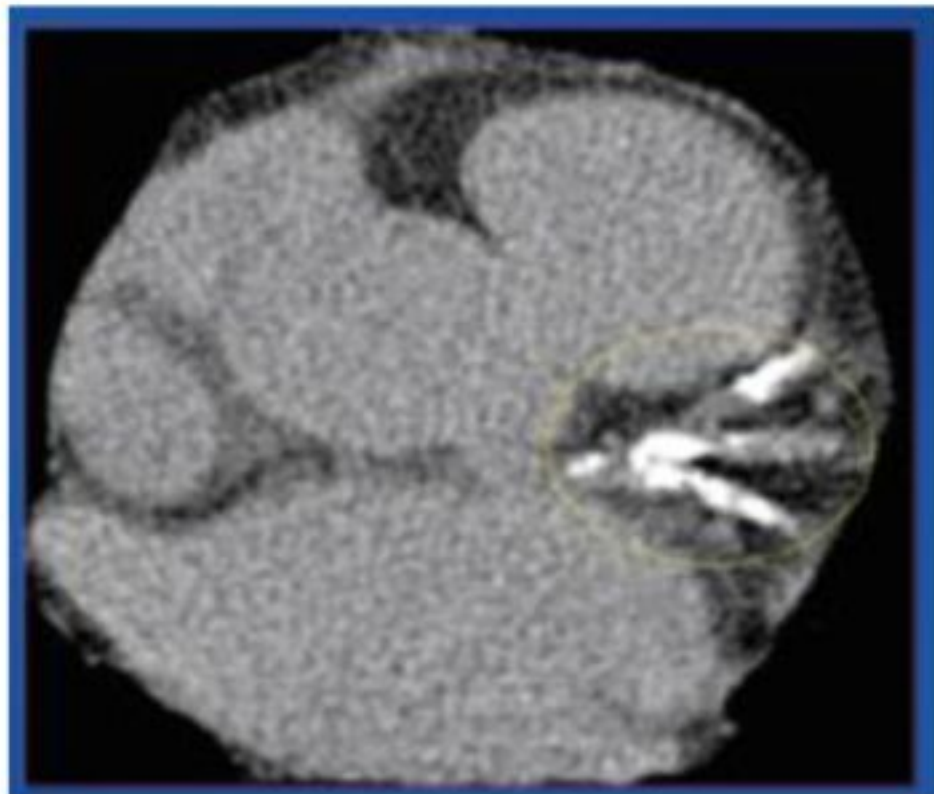


## CORONARY CALCIUM SCORE

## Healthy or Not

- 45 year old female, 5'3", 120 lbs
- Runs 4-5 miles, 5/week
- No HTN/DLD/DM/Tobacco
- Family History of CAD
- Asymptomatic
- Sought to see me in the office due to CCTA expertise
- CAC: 0





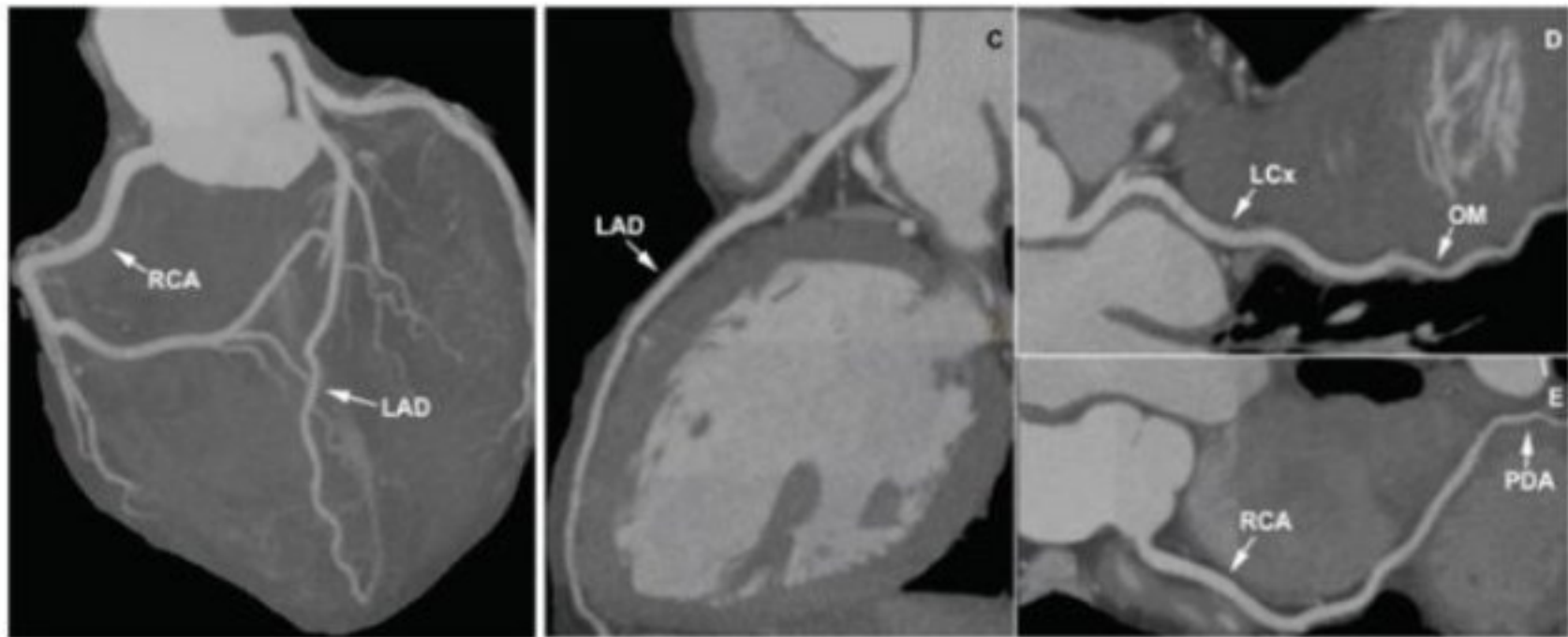
## Utility of Coronary Calcium Score

- Looks at calcification only
- Can miss non calcified plaque

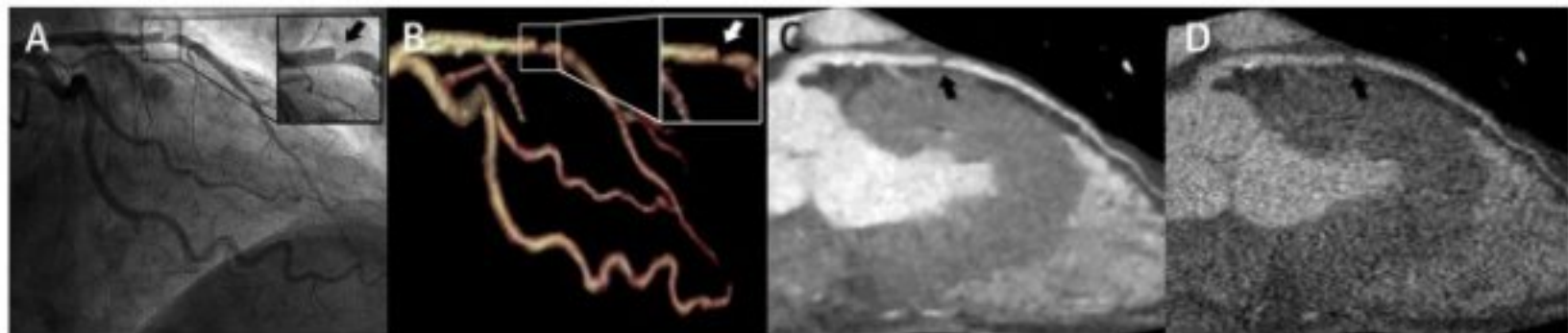
Jin- ICJL 2012

- 914 asymptomatic patients under the age of 45
- 9.4% had subclinical atherosclerosis
- 58% were non calcified

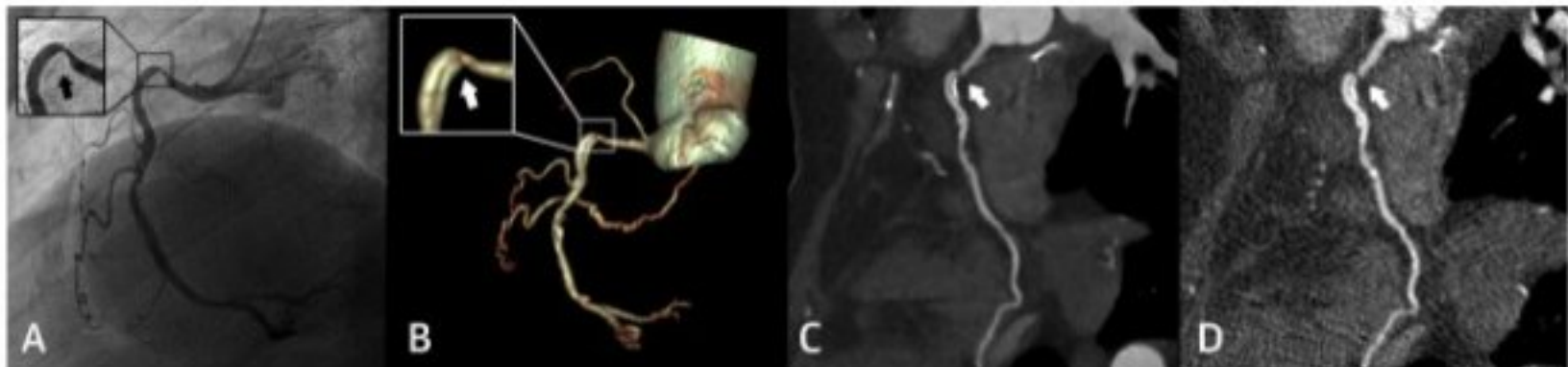
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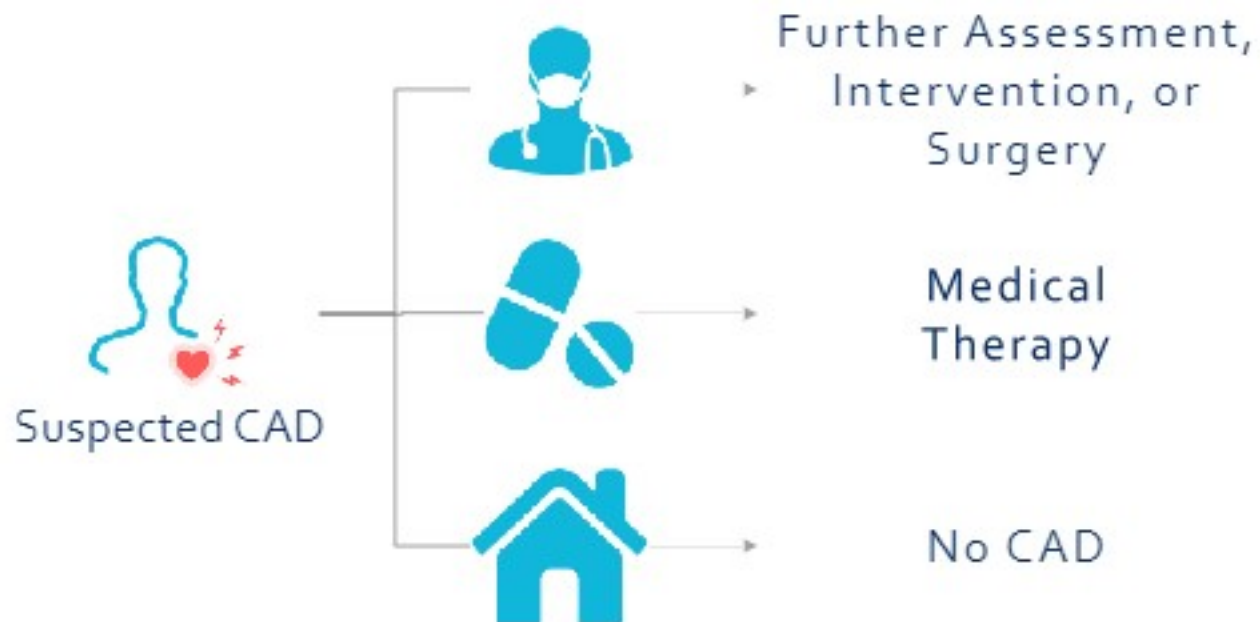
# Proximal LAD Stenosis



# Proximal RCA Stenosis

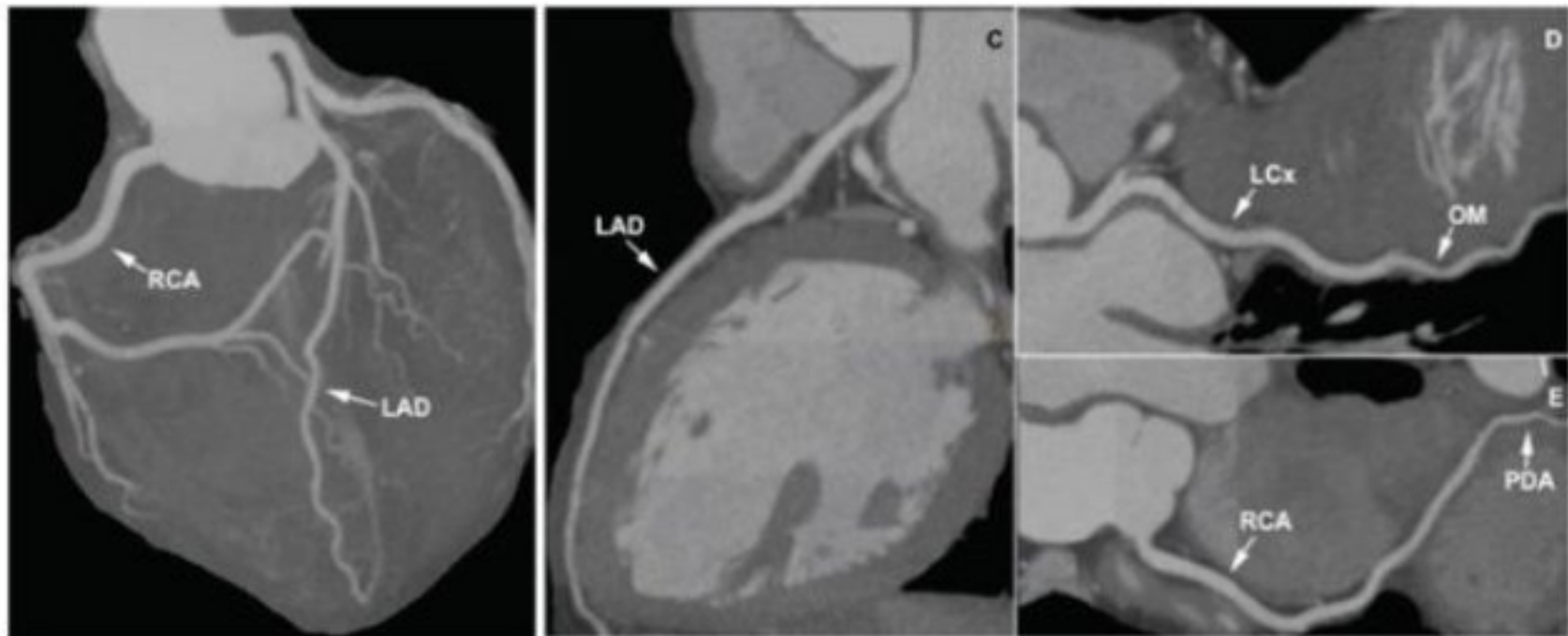


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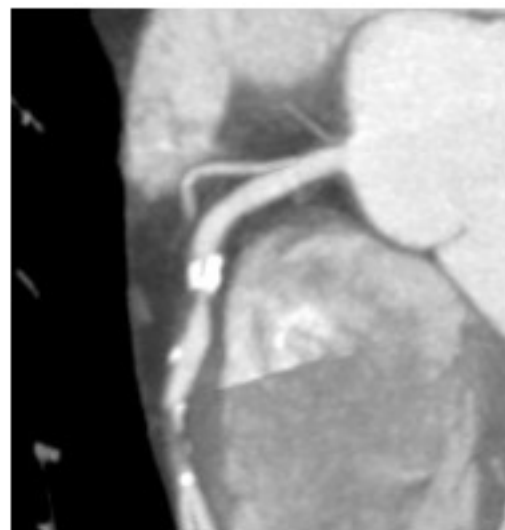




# No CAD



Mild → Moderate → Severe

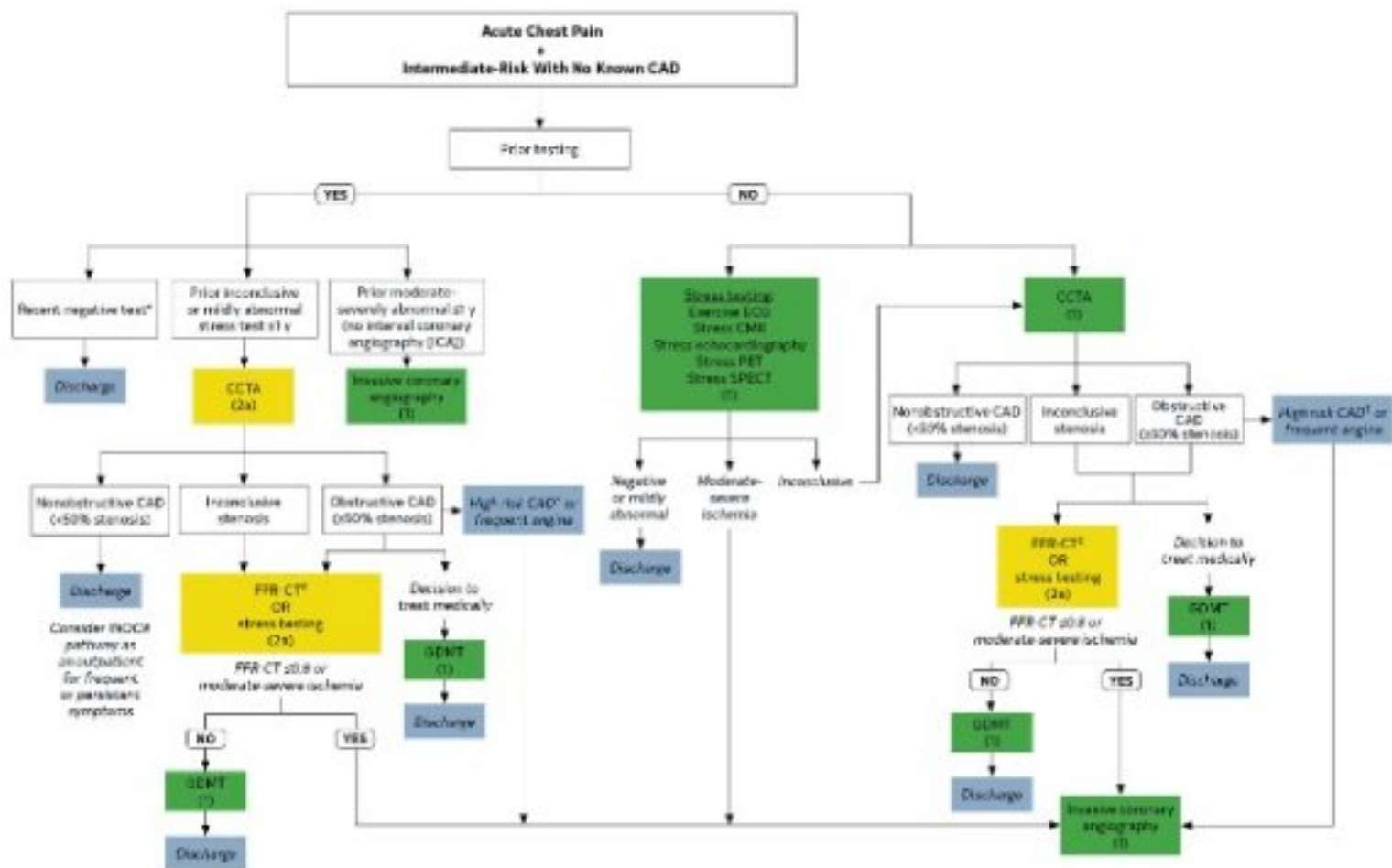


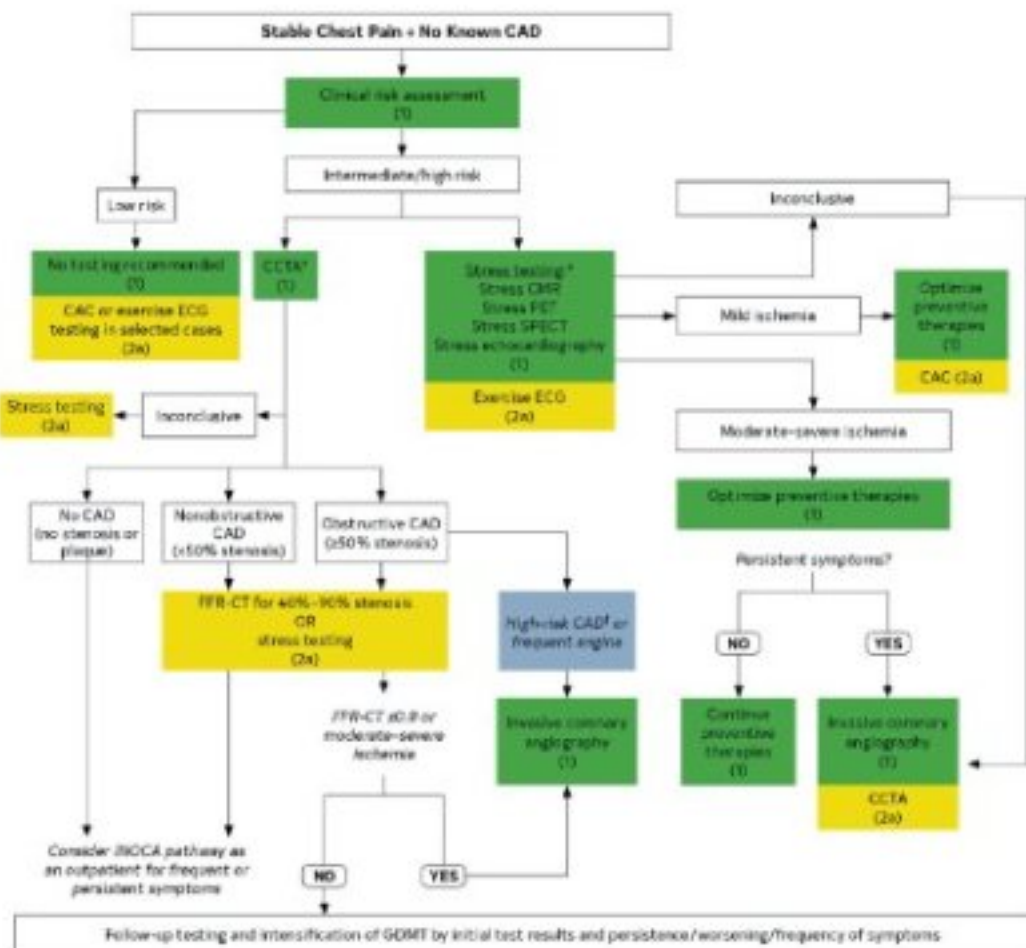
# Various Diagnostic Approaches

• Non-Invasive Options	<u>Sensitivity:</u>	<u>Specificity:</u>
• Exercise ECG	45-61%	70-90%
• Exercise Echo	70-85%	77-89%
• Exercise SPECT	73-92%	63-88%
• Pharmacological Echo	72-90%	79-95%
• Pharmacological SPECT	88-91%	75-90%
• CCTA	93-99%	64-90%

# 2021 Chest Pain Guidelines













# 2021 Chest Pain Guidelines

**Recommendations for Intermediate-High Risk Patients With Stable Chest Pain and No Known CAD**

Referenced studies that support the recommendations are summarized in [Online Data Supplements 29 and 30](#).

COR	LOE	RECOMMENDATIONS
Index Diagnostic Testing		
Anatomic Testing		
I	A	1. For intermediate-high risk patients with stable chest pain and no known CAD, CCTA is effective for diagnosis of CAD, for risk stratification, and for guiding treatment decisions (1-12).
Stress Testing		
I	B-R	2. For intermediate-high risk patients with stable chest pain and no known CAD, stress imaging (stress echocardiography, PET/SPECT MPI or CMR) is effective for diagnosis of myocardial ischemia and for estimating risk of MACE (8,13-35).

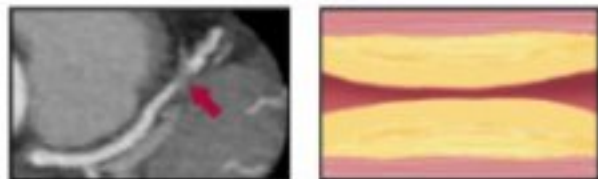


Term		Definition
Type I Initial lesion		Isolated macrophage foam cells
Type II Fatty streak		Mainly intracellular lipid accumulation
Type III Intermediate lesion		Fatty streak plus small extracellular lipid pools
Type IV Atheroma lesion		Fatty streak and core of extracellular lipid
Type V Fibroatheroma lesion		Lipid core and fibrotic layer, or multiple lipid cores and fibrotic layer, or mainly calcific, or mainly fibrotic
Type VI Complicated lesion		Surface defect, hematoma-hemorrhage, thrombus

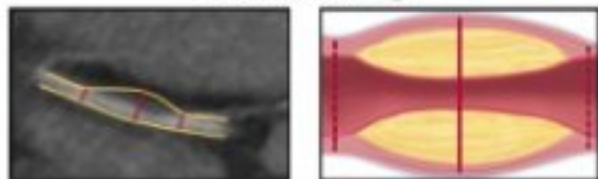
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# CCTA Identifies High Risk Plaque Features

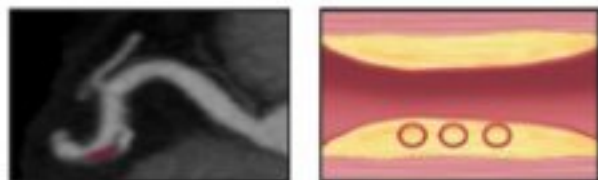
Stenosis  $\geq 50\%$



Positive Remodeling



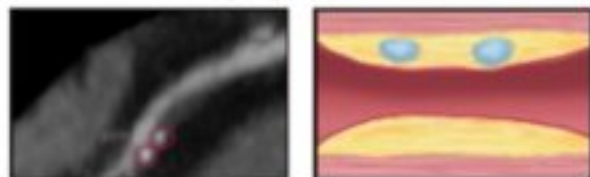
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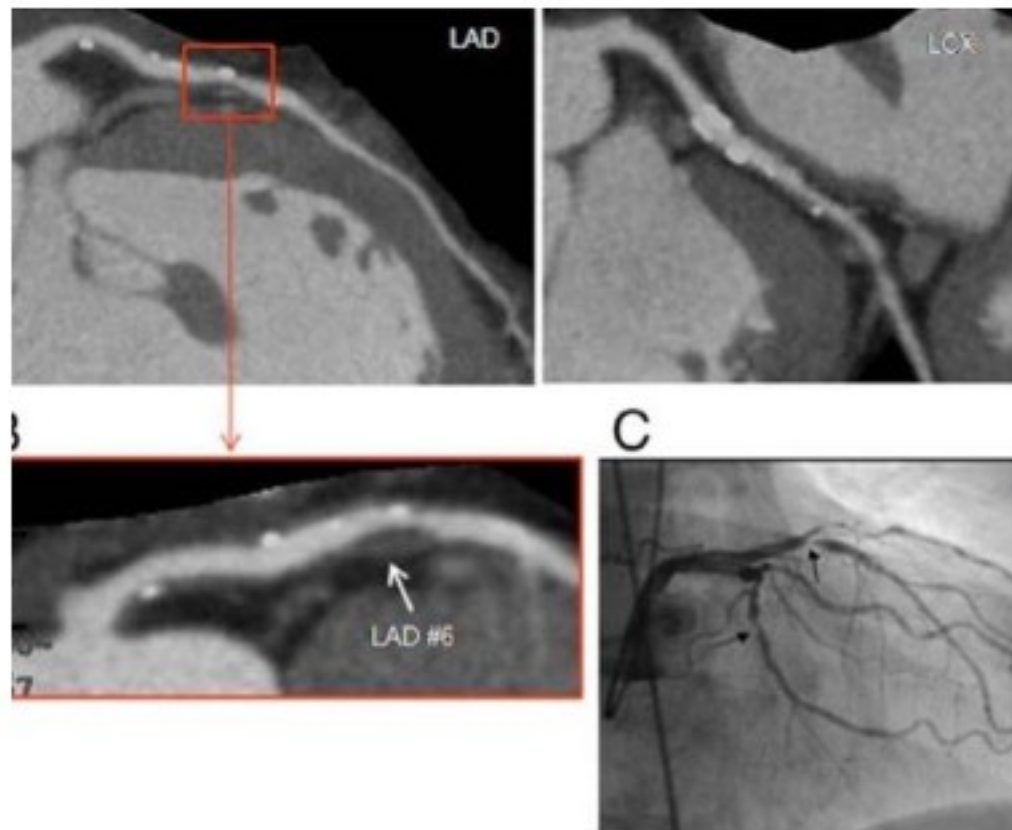
Napkin Ring Sign



Spotty Calcium



# Progression to ACS



# Back to our patient

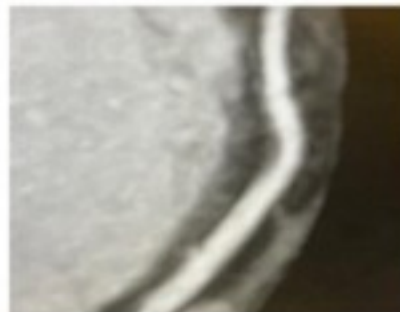
2019 Prox LAD



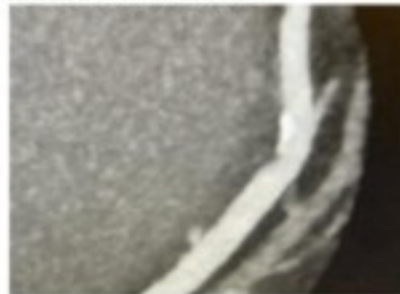
2023 Prox LAD



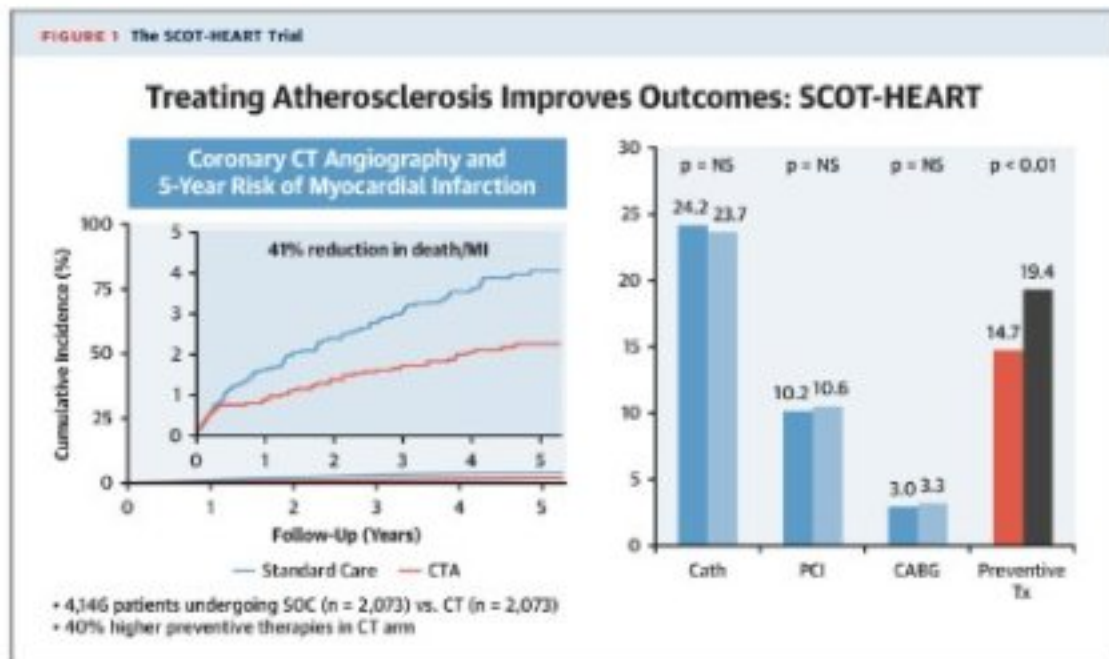
2019 Mid LAD

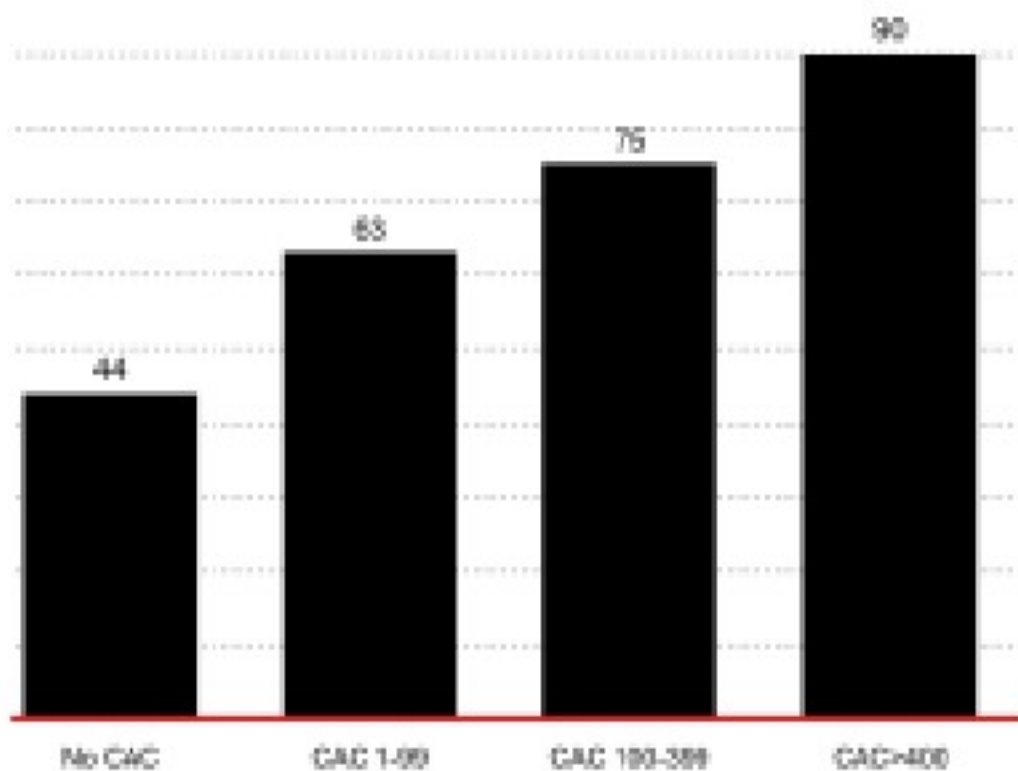


2023 Mid LAD



# Coronary CTA-guided management improves outcomes

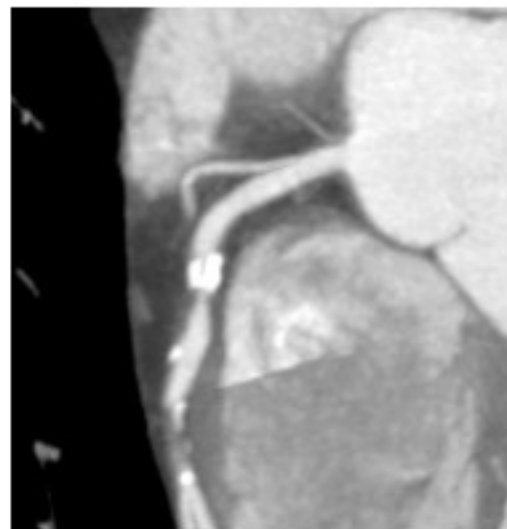




## **VISUALIZATION OF CAC: IMPROVED ADHERENCE TO STATIN THERAPY**

Kalia et al. *Atherosclerosis*  
2005

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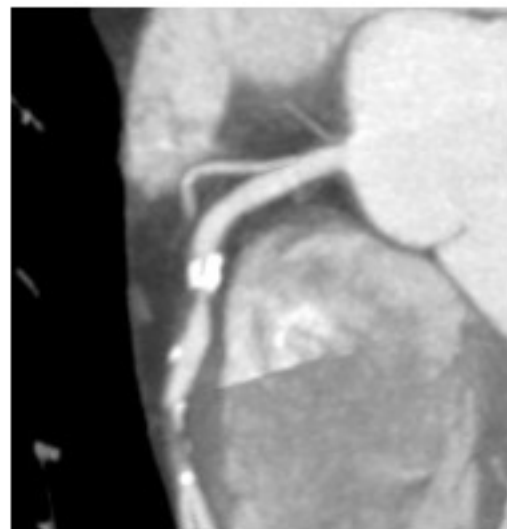


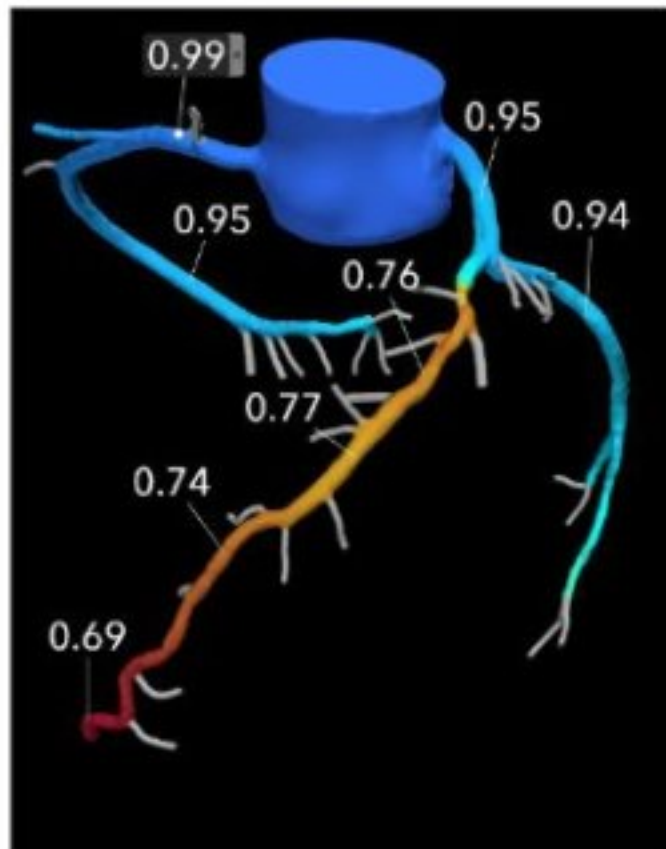


# AI

- HeartFlow

Mild → Moderate → Severe





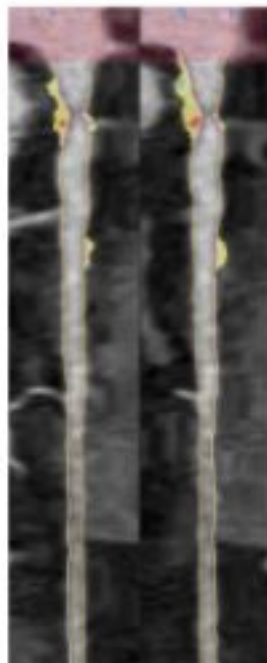
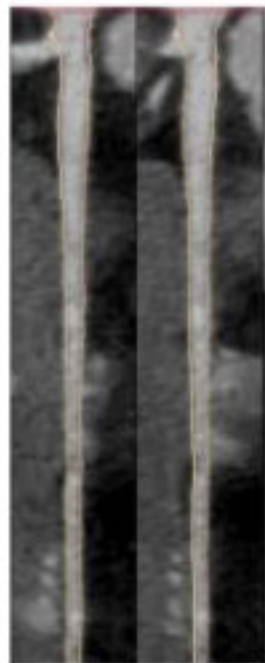
## HeartFlow

- Invasive FFR is the proven gold-standard for determining which coronary lesions require revascularization
- AI generated physiology computed FFR from CCTA
- No extra radiation
- No invasive procedure

# AI

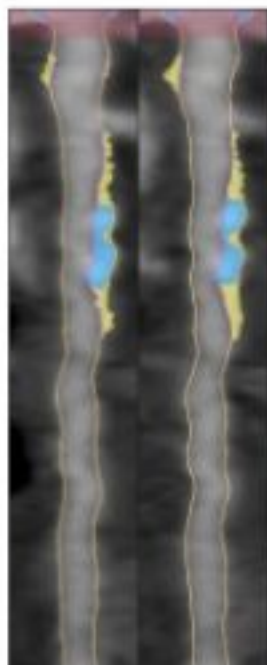
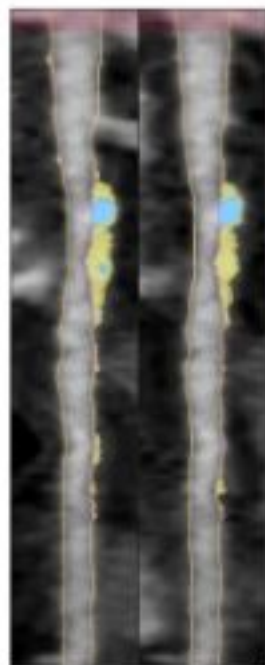
- Clearly

# Plaque Progression: 60 year, no therapy



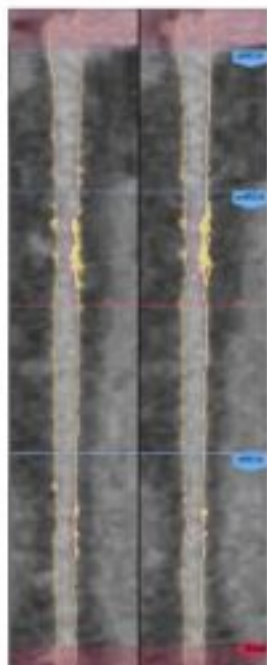
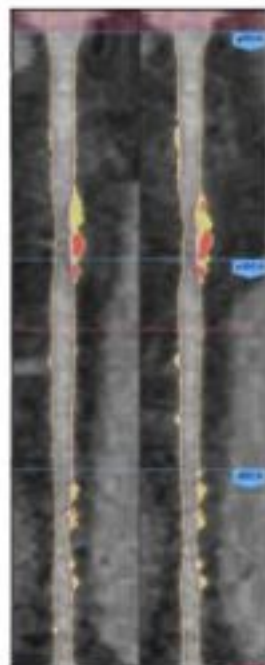
ALL	Current	Change	Target
	Every 6 Months 0.10000		Change: Percent of current
Red (Major Artery %)	01.1	↓ -30%	19.1
Red (Total Cardiac) (Major Artery %)	54.8	↑ +27.9%	178.0
Red (Total Cardiac) (Major Artery %)	0	↑ 0%	0.0
Red (Total Cardiac) (Major Artery %)	0.1	↑ +100%	1.0
Red (Total Cardiac) (Major Artery %)	0	↑ 0%	0
Red (Total Cardiac) (Major Artery %)	0	=	0
Red (Total Cardiac) (Major Artery %)	1.0	↑ +100%	1.0
Red (Total Cardiac) (Major Artery %)	12	↑ +100.0%	72
Red (Total Cardiac) (Major Artery %)	24	↑ +100.0%	96
Red (Total Cardiac) (Major Artery %)	164	↓ -6.0%	154

# Plaque Stabilization: 56 year, high statin



	Baseline	Change	Completed
All	Group C: 148/2224 Available	LI	Group C: 124/2027 Available
LDL Plaque Volume (mm <sup>3</sup> )	31.3	▲ +1.2%	316.7
LDL Plaque Volume (mm <sup>3</sup> ) (Low Density - for Low Density Plaque Volume (mm <sup>3</sup> ))	289.8	▼ -17.3%	240.2
LDL Plaque Volume (mm <sup>3</sup> ) (High Density - for High Density Plaque Volume (mm <sup>3</sup> ))	0	▲ 0%	0.2
Total Plaque Volume (mm <sup>3</sup> )	29.2	▲ +28.7%	76.5
Plaque Stability	-	=	1
LDL Plaque Volume (mm <sup>3</sup> )	-	▼ -100%	0
High Density Plaque Volume (mm <sup>3</sup> )	1.3	▲ +7.7%	1.4
LDL Plaque Volume (mm <sup>3</sup> )	71	▲ +7.6%	73
High Density Plaque Volume (mm <sup>3</sup> )	91	▲ +22%	93
LDL Plaque Volume (mm <sup>3</sup> )	645.5	▲ +6.2%	684.8

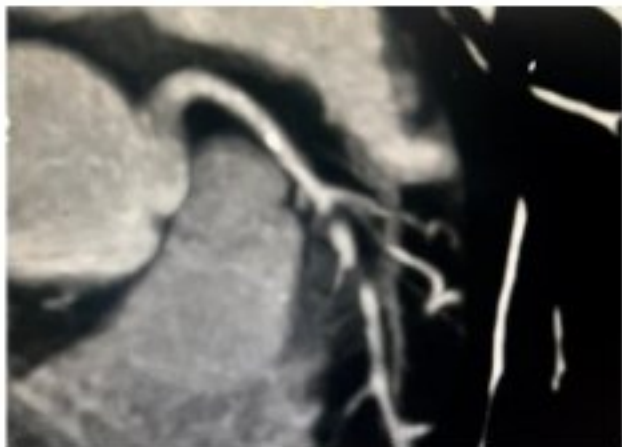
# Plaque Regression: 55 year, PCSK9i



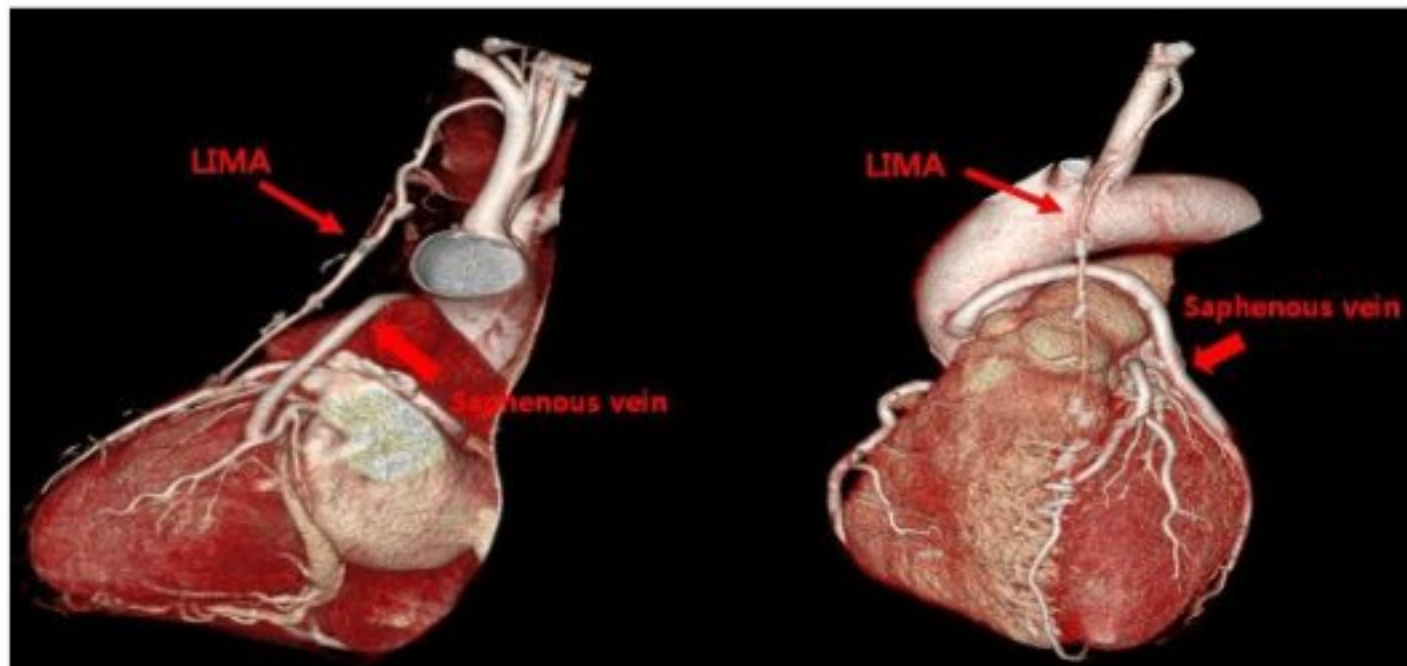
	Baseline	Change	Final
ALL	444.5	-133	311.5
LDL-C (mg/dL)	442.7	-344	208.3
LDL-C (mmol/L)	67.8	-53.1	32.5
LDL-C (nmol/L)	2.2	-1.8	1.3
# of Plaque Resolved	0	0	0
# of Plaque Resolved	1	1	0
# of Plaque Resolved	1	1	1
Total Plaque Volume (mm³)	53	-15	40
Total Plaque Volume (mm³)	78	-15	28
Total Plaque Volume (mm³)	134.3	-64.7	75



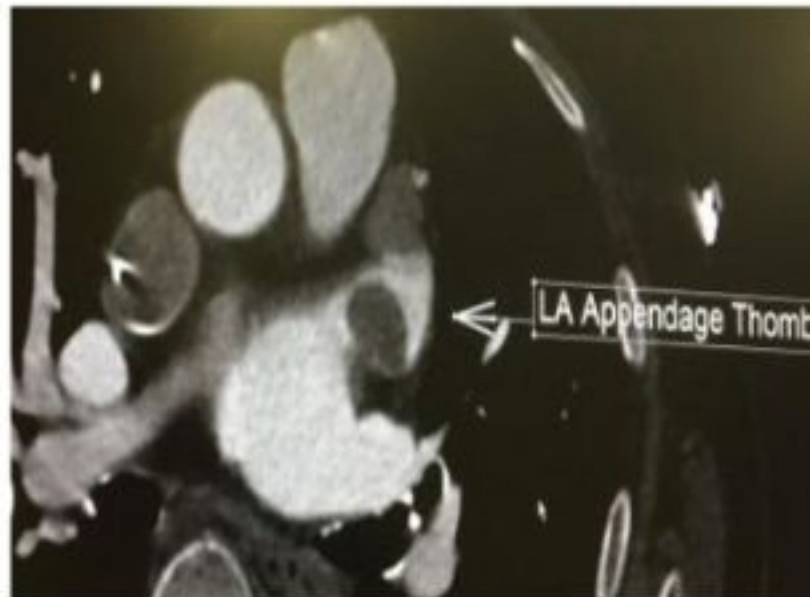
# Planning Intervention



# Accessing Bypass Grafts



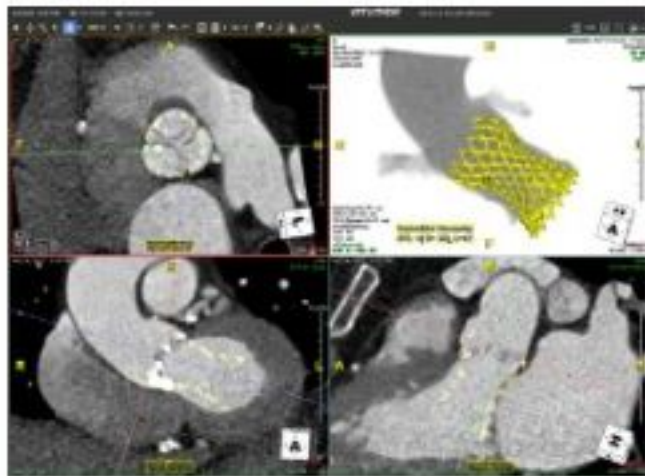
## Left Atrial Appendage Anatomy and Clot



## Left Atrial Appendage Occlusion



# TAVR Workup

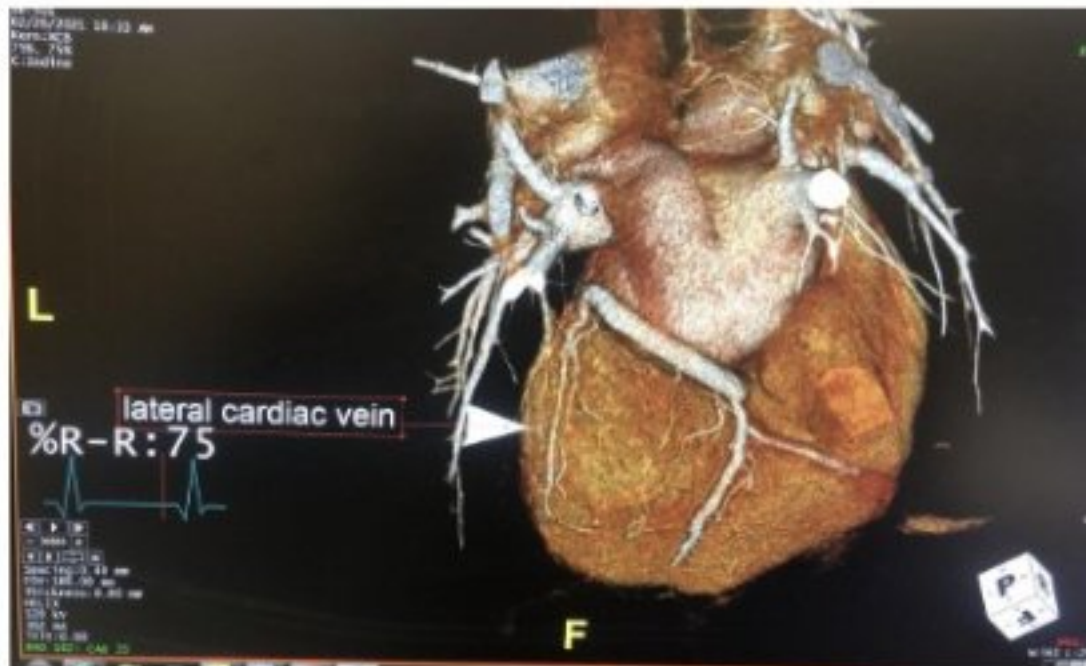




# TMVR Workup



# Pulmonary Vein Anatomy for Ablation





# Other Indications

- Atrial Septum
- Ventricular Septum
- RV
- LV
- Great Vessels
- Pericardium
- Intracardiac Mass
- Intracardiac Thrombus



上医医未病之病

中医医将病之病

下医医已病之病

~ 黄帝内经 ~

--Huang Dee: Nai-Ching  
(2600 BC First Chinese Medical Text)

- Superior Doctors prevent the disease
- Mediocre Doctors treat the disease before evident
- Inferior Doctors treat the full-blown disease



**Any Questions?**

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