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Top five CAD trials of the last 12 months

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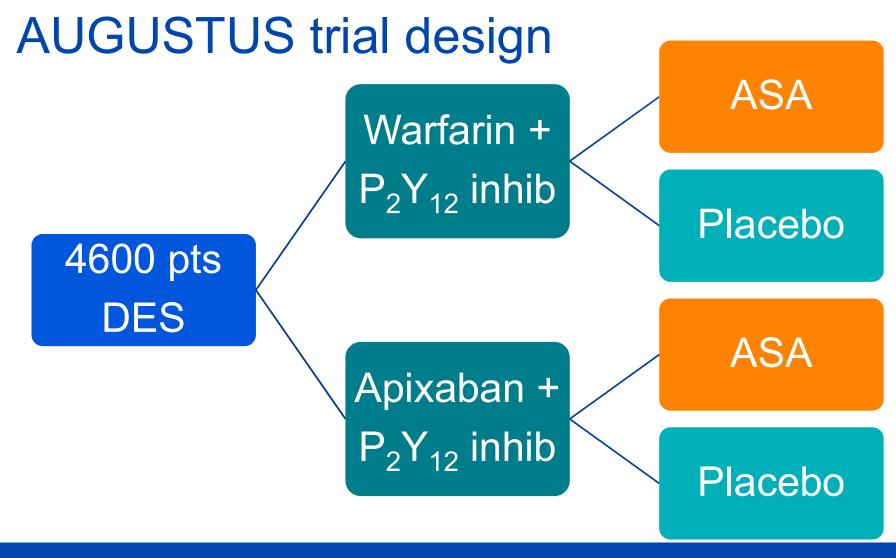
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Major bleeding:

Apixaban superior to VKA NNT=24

Death or hospitalization:

Apixaban superior to VKA

Ischemic events:

No difference



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Major bleeding:

More with ASA than placebo NNH=13

Death or hospitalization:

No difference ASA and placebo

Ischemic events:

No difference ASA and placebo



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Safety and Efficacy of Antithrombotic Strategies in Patients With Atrial Fibrillation Undergoing Percutaneous Coronary Intervention A Network Meta-analysis of Randomized Controlled Trials

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IMPORTANCE The antithrombotic treatment of patients with atrial fibrillation (AF) and coronary artery disease, in particular with acute coronary syndrome (ACS) and/or percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI), poses a significant treatment dilemma in clinical practice.

OBJECTIVE To study the safety and efficacy of different antithrombotic regimens using a network meta-analysis of randomized controlled trials in this population.

DATA SOURCES PubMed, EMBASE, EBSCO, and Cochrane databases were searched to identify randomized controlled trials comparing antithrombotic regimens.

STUDY SELECTION Four randomized studies were included (n = 10 026; WOEST, PIONEER AF-PCI, RE-DUAL PCI, and AUGUSTUS).

Supplemental content

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Safety and Efficacy of Antithrombotic Strategies in Patients With Atrial Fibrillation Undergoing

- Support use of dual therapy, avoiding ASA
 - DOAC the preferred anticoagulant
 - VKA and DAPT should be avoided

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Effect of P2Y12 Inhibitor Monotherapy vs Dual Antiplatelet Therapy on Cardiovascular Events in Patients Undergoing Percutaneous Coronary Intervention The SMART-CHOICE Randomized Clinical Trial

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IMPORTANCE Data on P2Y12 inhibitor monotherapy after short-duration dual antiplatelet therapy (DAPT) in patients undergoing percutaneous coronary intervention are limited.

OBJECTIVE To determine whether P2Y12 inhibitor monotherapy after 3 months of DAPT is noninferior to 12 months of DAPT in patients undergoing PCI.

DESIGN, SETTING, AND PARTICIPANTS The SMART-CHOICE trial was an open-label, noninferiority, randomized study that was conducted in 33 hospitals in Korea and included 2993 patients undergoing PCI with drug-eluting stents. Enrollment began March 18, 2014, and follow-up was completed July 19, 2018.

INTERVENTIONS Patients were randomly assigned to receive aspirin plus a P2Y12 inhibitor for 3 months and thereafter P2Y12 inhibitor alone (n = 1495) or DAPT for 12 months (n = 1498).

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Research

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Effect of 1-Month Dual Antiplatelet Therapy Followed by Clopidogrel vs 12-Month Dual Antiplatelet Therapy on Cardiovascular and Bleeding Events in Patients Receiving PCI The STOPDAPT-2 Randomized Clinical Trial

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IMPORTANCE Very short mandatory dual antiplatelet therapy (DAPT) after percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI) with a drug-eluting stent may be an attractive option.

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Monotherapy after 1 month noninferior and superior to DAPT for 12 months

INTERVENTIONS Patients were randomized either to 1 month of DAPT followed by clopidogrel monotherapy (n=1523) or to 12 months of DAPT with aspirin and clopidogrel (n=1522).



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Implications and caveats

Confidence that DAPT can be stopped earlier if needed

Most were getting clopidogrel as monotherapy

Question any added value of ASA

Open label design

Stable angina (lower risk)

- >62% in STOPDAPT-2
- >42% in SMART-CHOICE

Underpowered for stent thrombosis, but rare event







ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Complete Revascularization with Multivessel PCI for Myocardial Infarction

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Complete revascularization superior to culprit only for the primary endpoint of CV death and MI

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PPCI in STEMI with multivessel disease

Primary PCI (PPCI) of culprit lesion

Dilemma....staged revascularization of remaining disease?

Clinical benefit in observational studies - but selection bias?

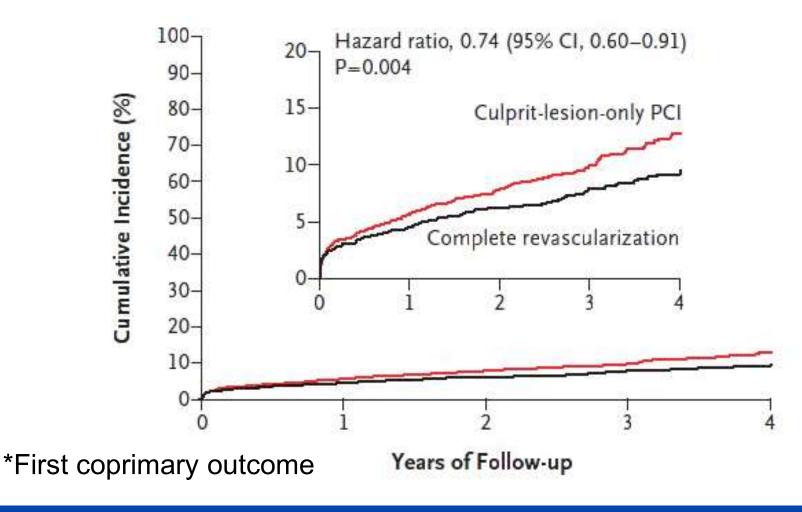
Prior RCTs:

Decrease need for subsequent revascularization Under powered for hard endpoints

Current trial powered for death and MI as primary endpoint

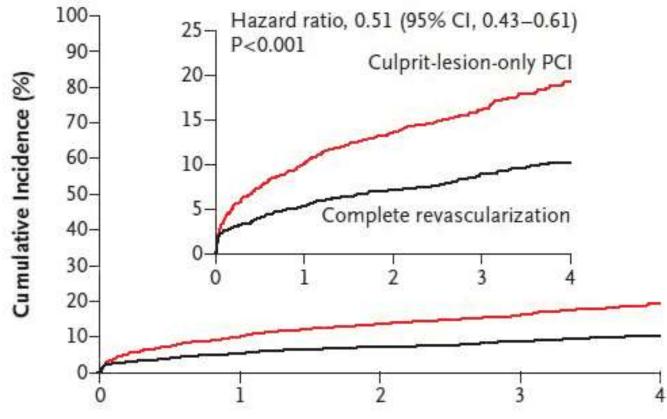


CV death or new MI*





CV death, new MI, ischemia-driven revascularization*



*Second coprimary outcome Years of Follow-up



Commentary

First trial powered to look at death/MI as endpoint >4x larger than the largest of the prior trials

Lesion complexity low - selection bias?

Seems safe

Optimal timing of staged procedure unclear

Complete revascularization not performed at index PPCI







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Five-Year Outcomes after PCI or CABG for Left Main Coronary Disease

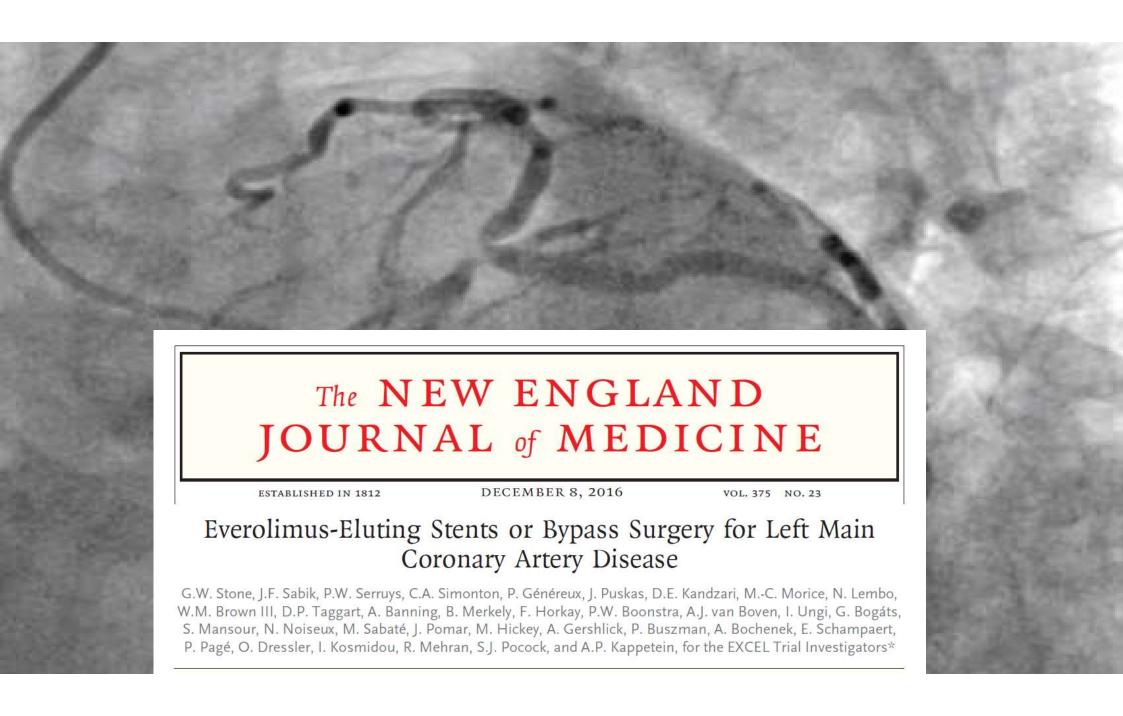
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EXCEL at 5 years

"....no difference in death, MI and CVA between PCI and CABG"

and P.W. Serruys, for the EXCEL Trial Investigators*





EXCEL results in 2016

| Endpoint | PCI | CABG | Non Inferior | Superior |
|--|-------|-------|-----------------|----------|
| Primary: Death, CVA or MI at 3 years | 15.4% | 14.7% | Yes | No |
| Secondary: Death, CVA or MI at 30 days | 4.9% | 7.9% | Yes | Yes |
| Death, CVA, MI, revascularization at 3 years | 23.1% | 19.1% | Yes | No |



EXCEL results in 2019 – the 5 year results

| Endpoint | PCI | CABG | % difference (CI) | P value |
|--|-------|-------|-------------------------|---------|
| Primary: Death, CVA or MI | 22.0% | 19.2% | 2.8% (-0.9-6.5) | 0.13 |
| Secondary: Death, CVA, MI, revascularization | 31.3% | 24.9% | 6.5% (2.4-10.6) | 0.002 |
| All-cause death | 13.0% | 9.9% | 3.1% (0.2-6.1) | |



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EXCEL results in 2019 – the 5 year results

| | | 0.13 |
|---------------|----------------------------|---|
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Accusations and heated controversy!

Resignation of chair of EXCEL surgical committee - alleging:

- Changing definition of MI midway through trial
- Minimizing the difference between the 2 groups in death
- Involvement of industry and conflicts of interest

Strongly defended by PI

NEJM reviewer responsibility challenged





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