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**Left main distal bifurcation:  
Influence of technical factors  
on long term outcome**

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# Unprotected LM registry at Latvian Centre of Cardiology



90ties

90ties: Emergency procedures in LM

2001

2001: Elective PCI for LM  
Refused CABG, "Syntax" < 20 etc.

2004

2004: Randomized trial (n=103)  
2005: SYNTAX study (n=40)

2007

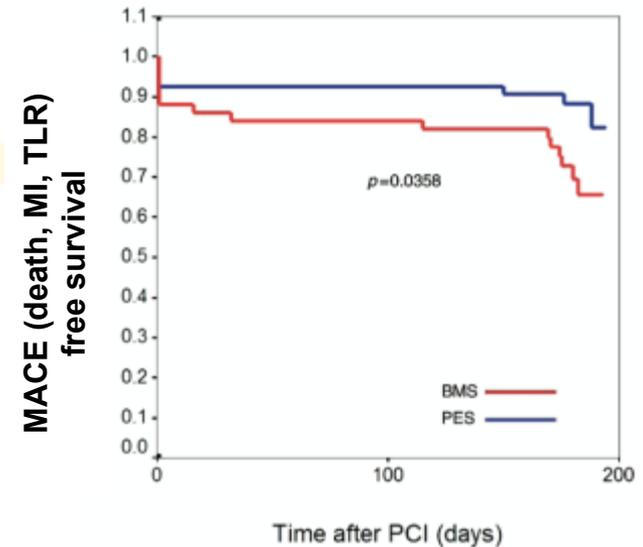
2007: Local guidelines for LM PCI  
IVUS guidance  
Plaque modification (CB)  
DES implantation  
Provisional stenting in bifurcations  
Clinical follow-up + stress test  
9 mo angio, IVUS follow-up

2011

2010: NOBLE study

## The Latvian Randomized trial Comparing BMS vs PES in ULM

Between Feb 2004 and Nov 2005 PCI on unprotected LM: IVUS guidance, cutting balloon pretreatment mandatory, randomization: BMS n=50 vs PES n=53



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# Unprotected LM registry at Latvian Centre of Cardiology

**1052 consecutive patients with unprotected LM disease undergoing PCI  
enrolled into the LM PCI registry since January 2002**



**723 patients with distal bifurcation lesion**



**449 patients with distal bifurcation lesion  
and at least 1 year follow-up available**



# Patient characteristics

**n=449**

|                                      |             |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Age, years (mean±STD)                | 63.8 ± 10.2 |
| Male, %(n)                           | 75.5% (339) |
| <b>Risk factors:</b>                 |             |
| Arterial hypertension, %(n)          | 81.9% (363) |
| Diabetes mellitus, %(n)              | 14.0% (62)  |
| Dyslipidemia, %(n)                   | 76.8% (338) |
| Smokers, %(n)                        | 18.9% (79)  |
| Ex-smokers, , %(n)                   | 30.6% (128) |
| Family history of CAD, , %(n)        | 39.8% (165) |
| <b>Previous history:</b>             |             |
| Previous PCI, %(n)                   | 49.5% (217) |
| Previous CABG, %(n)                  | 1.1% (5)    |
| <b>Clinical presentation:</b>        |             |
| Non-ST Acute coronary syndrome, %(n) | 10.2% (45)  |
| Unstable angina, %(n)                | 12.3% (54)  |
| Stable angina, %(n)                  | 76.2% (329) |
| Mean hospitalization time (days)     | 4.2 ± 2.7   |



# Procedural characteristics (1)

|                                      | n=449       |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| LM % stenosis, mean±STD              | 80.1 ± 10.4 |
| LM lesion and 1 vessel disease, %(n) | 18.1% (79)  |
| LM lesion and 2 vessel disease, %(n) | 29.3% (128) |
| LM lesion and 3 vessel disease, %(n) | 50.8% (222) |
| SYNTAX score, mean±STD               | 31.0 ± 11.8 |
| EUROscore, mean±STD                  | 3.2 ± 5.6   |
| Medina classification, %(n):         |             |
| 1,1,1                                | 40.1% (174) |
| 1,1,0                                | 56.2 (244)  |
| 1,0,0                                | 1.2% (5)    |
| 1,0,1                                | 1.6% (7)    |
| 0,1,1                                | 0.2% (1)    |
| 0,0,1                                | 0% (0)      |
| 0,1,0                                | 0.7% (3)    |



# Procedural characteristics (2)

|                           | <b>n=449</b><br>%(n) |
|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Radial approach           | 32.2% (140)          |
| Predilatation             | 27.3% (120)          |
| Cutting balloon           | 76.9% (339)          |
| Cutting balloon<br>for SB | 11.4% (51)           |
| DES implantation          | 87.9% (384)          |
| 1 stent technique         | 91.2% (396)          |
| 2 stent technique         | 8.5% (37)            |
| Culotte                   | 27.0% (10)           |
| Crush                     | 45.9% (17)           |
| T stent                   | 27% (10)             |
| Final kissing<br>balloon  | 33.7% (151)          |

|                   | <b>n=449</b><br>%(n) |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| IVUS              | 40.5% (182)          |
| OCT               | 1.1% (5)             |
| FFR               | 0.9% (4)             |
| Virtual histology | 0.7% (3)             |
| GP IIb/IIIa use   | 89.7% (392)          |
| IABP              | 0.7% (3)             |



# Technical factors

|                   |                                | <b>N=449</b> |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
|                   |                                | <b>%(n)</b>  |
| 1 stent technique |                                |              |
|                   | Stent to LAD                   | 90.1% (390)  |
|                   | Stent to LCX                   | 1.4% (6)     |
| 1 stent technique |                                |              |
|                   | Stent to most angulated vessel | 4.5% (18)    |
|                   | Stent to most tightest lesion  | 96.2% (381)  |
|                   | Stent to most longest lesion   | 99.7% (395)  |



# Intrahospital outcomes

**n=449**

## Adverse events, %(n):

|                                 |             |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Myocardial infarction           | 1.6% (7)    |
| Q MI                            | 0.5% (2)    |
| Non Q MI                        | 1.1% (5)    |
| Death                           | 0.7% (3)    |
| TLR                             | 0.5% (2)    |
| TVR                             | 0.7% (3)    |
| Stent thrombosis                | 0.5% (2)    |
| Cardiac markers, mean±STD:      |             |
| CK-MB rise post PCI (ng/ml)     | 7.8 ± 15.8  |
| TroponinI rise post PCI (ng/ml) | 3.35 ± 11.2 |
| CK-MB rise post PCI (ng/ml)     | 7.8 ± 15.8  |

# Predictors of 1-year cardiac death

|                                      | Cardiac death | Others      | p-value |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|---------|
| Male gender, %(n)                    | 5 (38.5%)     | 105 (24.1%) | 0.322   |
| Diabetes mellitus, %(n)              | 6 (46.2%)     | 56 (13.0%)  | 0.005   |
| Hypertension, %(n)                   | 11 (84.6%)    | 351 (81.6%) | 1.00    |
| Dyslipidemia, %(n)                   | 10 (76.9%)    | 327 (76.6%) | 1.00    |
| PCI in history, %(n)                 | 4 (30.8%)     | 213 (50.1%) | 0.260   |
| Non-ST ACS on presentation, %(n)     | 8 (61.5%)     | 91 (21.3%)  | 0.002   |
| Use of IVUS, %(n)                    | 3 (23.1%)     | 179 (41.3%) | 0.256   |
| Predilatation, %(n)                  | 6 (46.2%)     | 114 (26.8%) | 0.202   |
| Cutting balloon predilatation, %(n)  | 7 (53.8%)     | 332 (77.6%) | 0.086   |
| IVUS + cutting balloon, %(n)         | 3 (23.1%)     | 168 (38.5%) | 0.386   |
| Stent to most angulated vessel, %(n) | 2 (15.4%)     | 53 (12.6%)  | 0.674   |
| Stent to most tightest lesion, %(n)  | 13 (100%)     | 406 (96.2%) | 1.00    |
| Stent to most longest lesion, %(n)   | 13 (100%)     | 419 (99.3%) | 1.00    |
| MV and SB stent, %(n)                | 2 (5.4%)      | 35 (94.6%)  | 0.307   |
| Postdilatation, %(n)                 | 10 (76.9%)    | 318 (74.8%) | 1.00    |
| Final kissing, %(n)                  | 5 (38.5%)     | 146 (33.6%) | 0.769   |
| Struts to side branch, %(n)          | 7 (58.3%)     | 276 (65.7%) | 0.759   |

# Predictors of 1-year TLR

|                                | TLR         | Others      | p-value |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------|
| Male gender                    | 16 (76.2%)  | 322 (75.4%) | 1.00    |
| Diabetes mellitus              | 2 (9.5%)    | 60 (14.2%)  | 0.752   |
| Hypertension                   | 15 (71.4%)  | 347 (82.2%) | 0.244   |
| Dyslipidemia                   | 17 (81.0%)  | 320 (76.4%) | 0.794   |
| PCI in history                 | 8 (40.0%)   | 209 (50.0%) | 0.494   |
| Non-ST ACS on presentation     | 8 (40.0%)   | 91 (21.7%)  | 0.094   |
| SYNTAX =>30                    | 15 (6.6%)   | 6 (2.7%)    | 0.072   |
| Use of IVUS                    | 11 (55.0%)  | 171 (40.1%) | 0.244   |
| Predilatation                  | 8 (42.1%)   | 112 (26.7%) | 0.185   |
| Cutting balloon predilatation  | 14 (70.0%)  | 325 (77.2%) | 0.426   |
| IVUS + cutting balloon         | 9 (42.9%)   | 162 (37.9%) | 0.651   |
| Stent to most angulated vessel | 3 (17.6%)   | 52 (12.4%)  | 0.462   |
| Stent to most tightest lesion  | 16 (94.1%)  | 403 (96.4%) | 0.478   |
| Stent to most longest lesion   | 17 (100.0%) | 415 (99.3%) | 1.00    |
| MV and SB stent                | 3 (8.1%)    | 34 (91.9%)  | 0.170   |
| Postdilatation                 | 12 (63.2%)  | 316 (75.4%) | 0.277   |
| Final kissing                  | 6 (28.6%)   | 145 (34.0%) | 0.814   |
| Struts to side branch          | 9 (50.0%)   | 274 (66.2%) | 0.204   |



# Predictors of 1-year TVR

|                                | TVR               | Others           | p-value      |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Male gender                    | 49 (84.5%)        | 289 (74.1%)      | 0.102        |
| Diabetes mellitus              | 7 (12.3%)         | 55 (14.2%)       | 0.839        |
| Hypertension                   | 44 (77.2%)        | 318 (82.4%)      | 0.360        |
| Dyslipidemia                   | 39 (69.6%)        | 298 (77.6%)      | 0.236        |
| PCI in history                 | 23 (41.1%)        | 194 (50.8%)      | 0.199        |
| Non-ST ACS on presentation     | 17 (30.9%)        | 82 (21.3%)       | 0.121        |
| <b>SYNTAX =&gt;30</b>          | <b>39 (17.1%)</b> | <b>19 (8.6%)</b> | <b>0.008</b> |
| Predilatation                  | 16 (28.6%)        | 104 (27.2%)      | 0.873        |
| Cutting balloon predilatation  | 44 (77.2%)        | 295 (76.8%)      | 1.00         |
| Stent to most angulated vessel | 8 (15.4%)         | 47 (12.3%)       | 0.507        |
| Stent to most tightest lesion  | 49 (94.2%)        | 370 (96.6%)      | 0.422        |
| Stent to most longest lesion   | 52 (100.0%)       | 380 (99.2%)      | 1.00         |
| Postdilatation                 | 39 (69.6%)        | 289 (75.7%)      | 0.327        |
| Final kissing                  | 16 (27.6%)        | 135 (34.6%)      | 0.372        |
| Struts to side branch          | 31 (56.4%)        | 252 (66.8%)      | 0.132        |

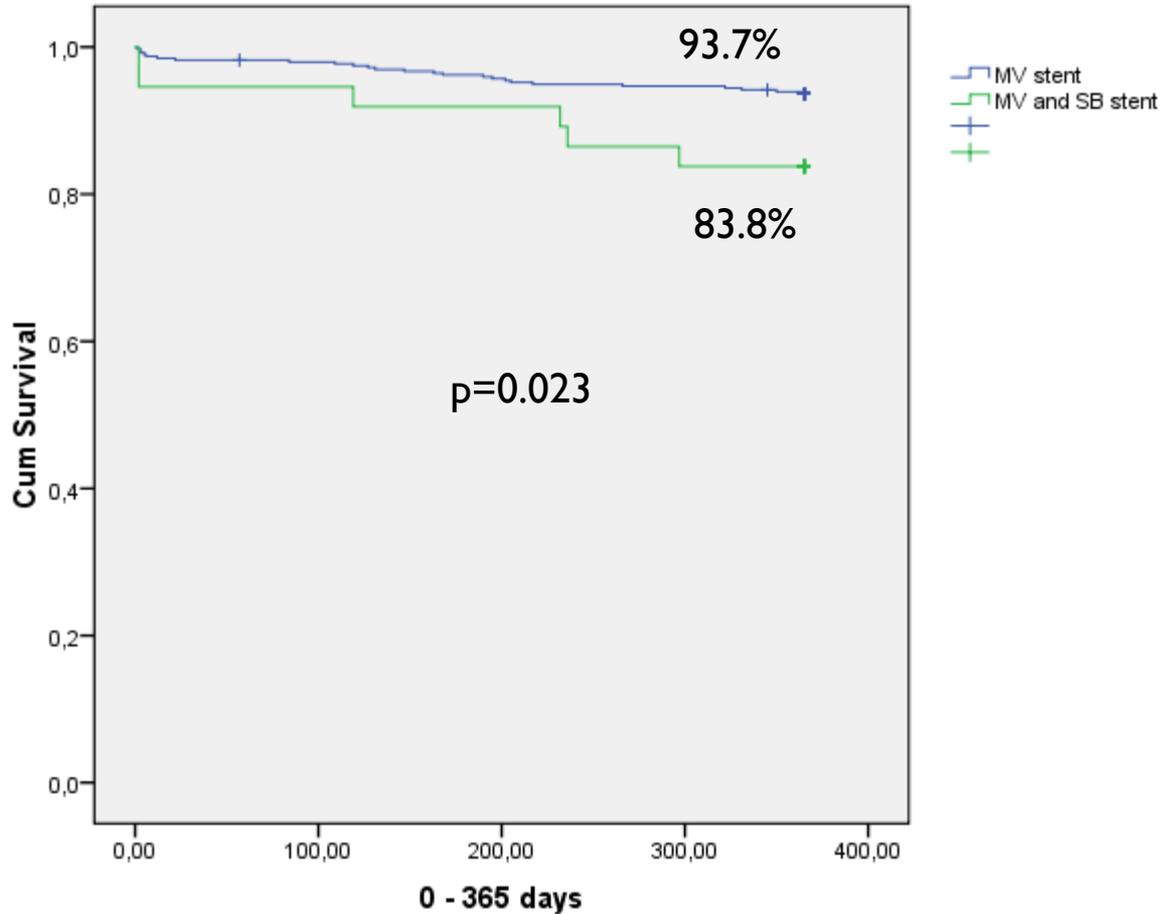


# Predictors of 1-year MACE (cardiac death, MI, TLR, stent thrombosis)

|                                   | MACE              | Others            | p-value           |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Male gender                       | 11 (31.4%)        | 99 (24.0%)        | 0.313             |
| Diabetes mellitus                 | 8 (22.9%)         | 54 (13.2%)        | 0.127             |
| Hypertension                      | 27 (77.1%)        | 335 (82.1%)       | 0.494             |
| Dyslipidemia                      | 28 (80.0%)        | 309 (76.3%)       | 0.835             |
| PCI in history                    | 14 (41.2%)        | 203 (50.2%)       | 0.373             |
| <b>Non-ST ACS on presentation</b> | <b>17 (50.0%)</b> | <b>82 (20.2%)</b> | <b>&lt;0.0001</b> |
| Use of IVUS                       | 15 (44.1%)        | 167 (40.5%)       | 0.719             |
| Predilatation                     | 13 (39.4%)        | 107 (26.4%)       | 0.109             |
| Cutting balloon predilatation     | 22 (64.7%)        | 317 (77.9%)       | 0.091             |
| IVUS + cutting balloon            | 13 (37.1%)        | 158 (38.2%)       | 1.00              |
| Stent to most angulated vessel    | 6 (19.4%)         | 49 (12.1%)        | 0.259             |
| Stent to most tightest lesion     | 30 (96.8%)        | 389 (96.3%)       | 1.00              |
| Stent to most longest lesion      | 31 (100%)         | 401 (99.3%)       | 1.00              |
| <b>MV and SB stent</b>            | <b>6 (16.2%)</b>  | <b>31 (83.8%)</b> | <b>0.039</b>      |
| Postdilatation                    | 23 (69.7%)        | 305 (75.3%)       | 0.531             |
| Final kissing                     | 11 (31.4%)        | 140 (33.9%)       | 0.854             |
| Struts to side branch             | 18 (58.1%)        | 265 (66.1%)       | 0.433             |



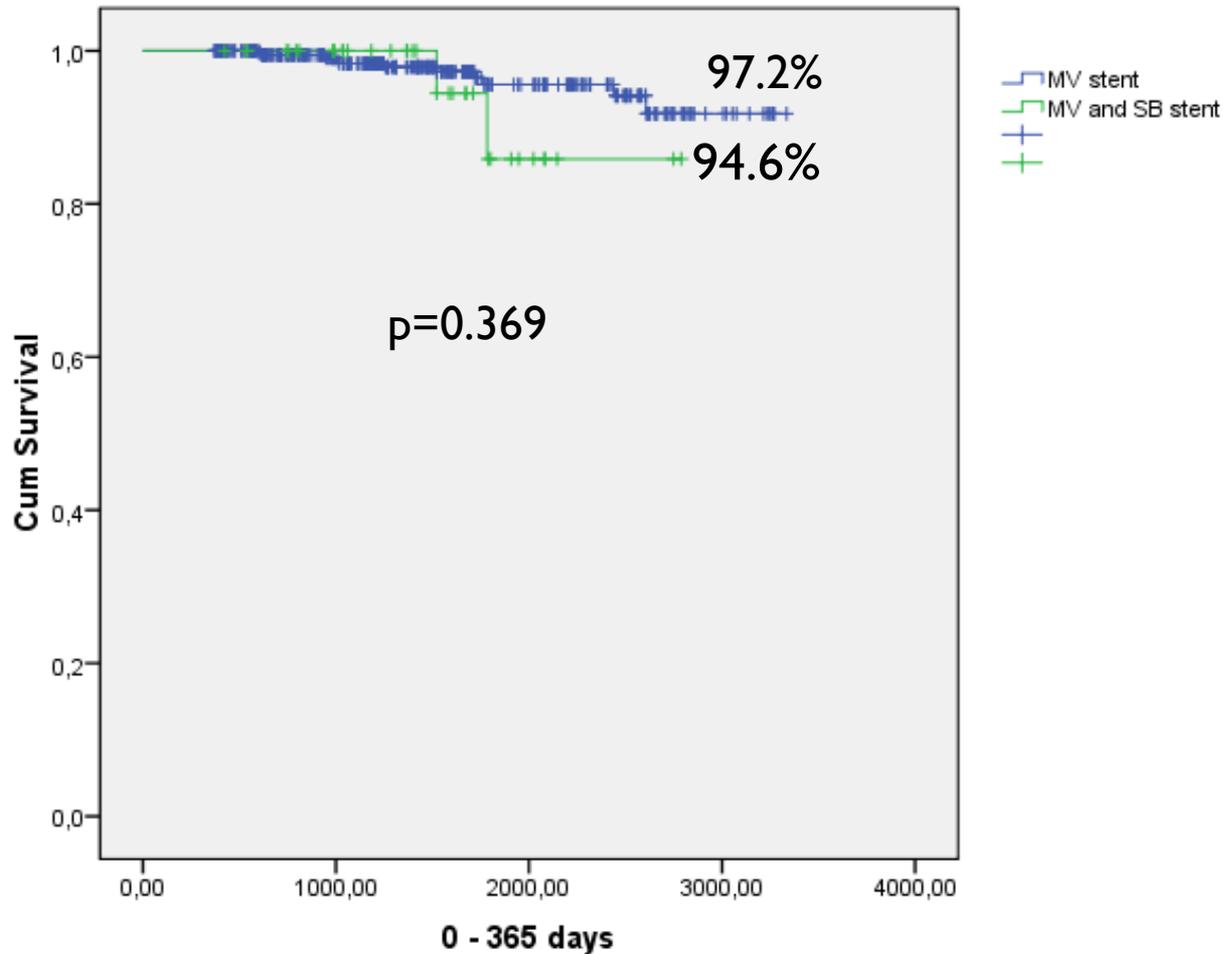
# MACE free survival (cardiac death, MI, TLR, stent thrombosis) *MV stent vs MV and SB stent*





# Cardiac death free survival (cardiac death, MI, TLR, stent thrombosis)

## *MV stent vs MV and SB stent*





# Patient characteristics

## *MV stent vs MV and SB stent*

|   | <b>1 stent<br/>(n=396)</b> | <b>2 stents<br/>(n=37)</b> | <b>p value</b> |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| Age (years)                             | 63.9 ± 10.1                | 64.8 ± 9.3                 | 0.614          |
| Male                                    | 75.8% (300)                | 67.6% (25)                 | 0.320          |
| Previous MI                             | 45.8% (179)                | 43.2% (16)                 | 0.863          |
| Previous PCI                            | 50.9% (196)                | 40.5% (15)                 | 0.302          |
| Previous CABG                           | 0.8% (3)                   | 2.7% (1)                   | 0.305          |
| Arterial hypertension                   | 82.6% (323)                | 89.2% (33)                 | 0.367          |
| Diabetes mellitus                       | 14.3% (56)                 | 13.5% (5)                  | 1.000          |
| Dyslipidemia                            | 76.0% (295)                | 86.5% (32)                 | 0.219          |
| Smokers (incl e-smokers)                | 49.2% (183)                | 50.0% (18)                 | 1.000          |
| Family history of CAD                   | 44.3% (147)                | 41.2% (14)                 | 0.856          |
| Non-ST ACS on presetation               | 21.4% (83)                 | 27% (10)                   | 0.412          |
| Stable angina on presetation            | 77.0% (292)                | 73.0% (27)                 | 0.547          |
| <b>Mean hospitalization time (days)</b> | <b>4.0 ± 2.5</b>           | <b>5.3 ± 3.4</b>           | <b>0.019</b>   |



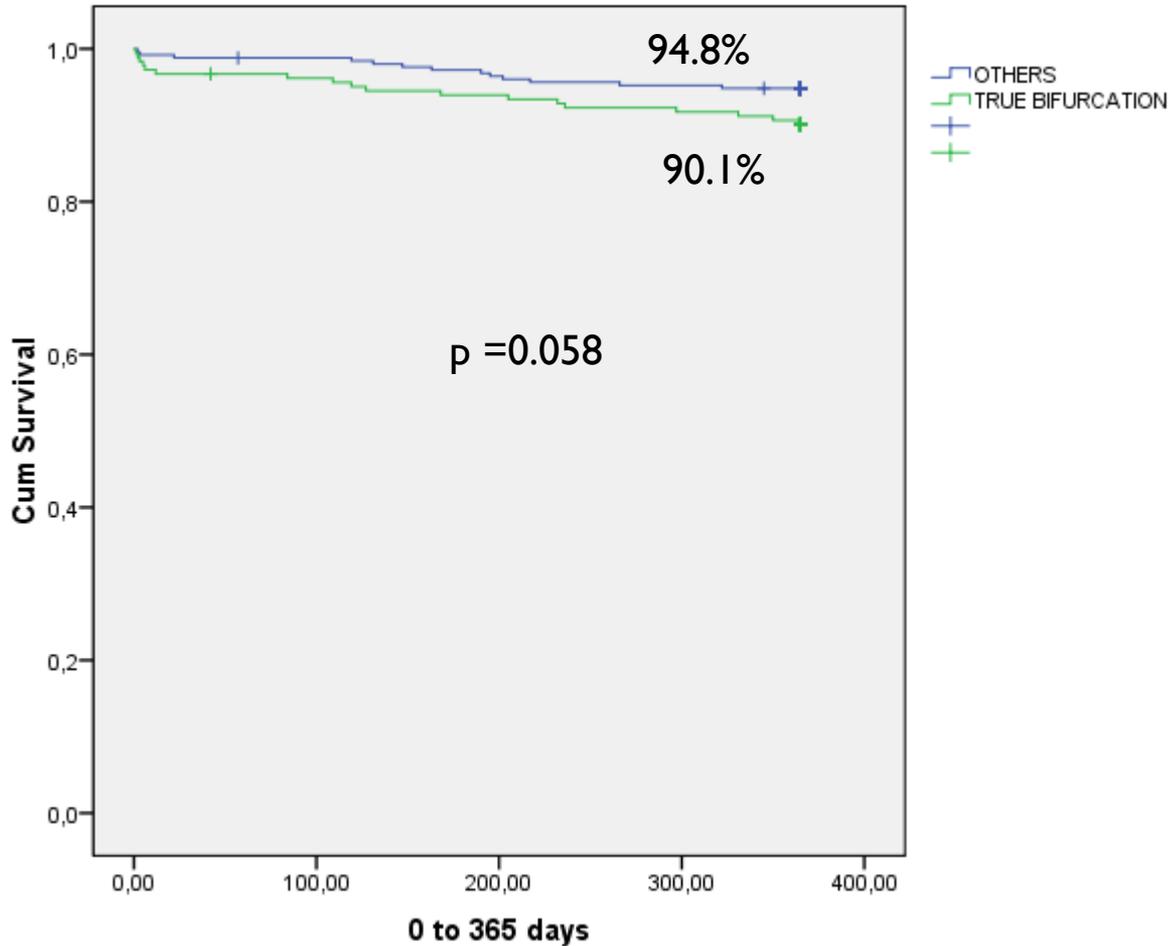
# PCI characteristics

## *MV stent vs MV and SB stent*

|                              | <b>1 stent<br/>(n=396)</b> | <b>2 stents<br/>(n=37)</b> | <b>p value</b> |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| Radial approach              | 33.6% (129)                | 21.6% (8)                  | 0.197          |
| Predilatation                | 24.3% (94)                 | 56.8% (21)                 | <0.001         |
| Cutting balloon              | 78.6% (305)                | 54.1% (20)                 | 0.002          |
| Cutting balloon for SB (Lcx) | 9.9% (38)                  | 32.4% (12)                 | <0.001         |
| Final kissing balloon        | 31.1% (123)                | 75.7% (28)                 | <0.001         |
| DES implantation             | 88.9% (343)                | 91.9 (34)                  | 0.784          |

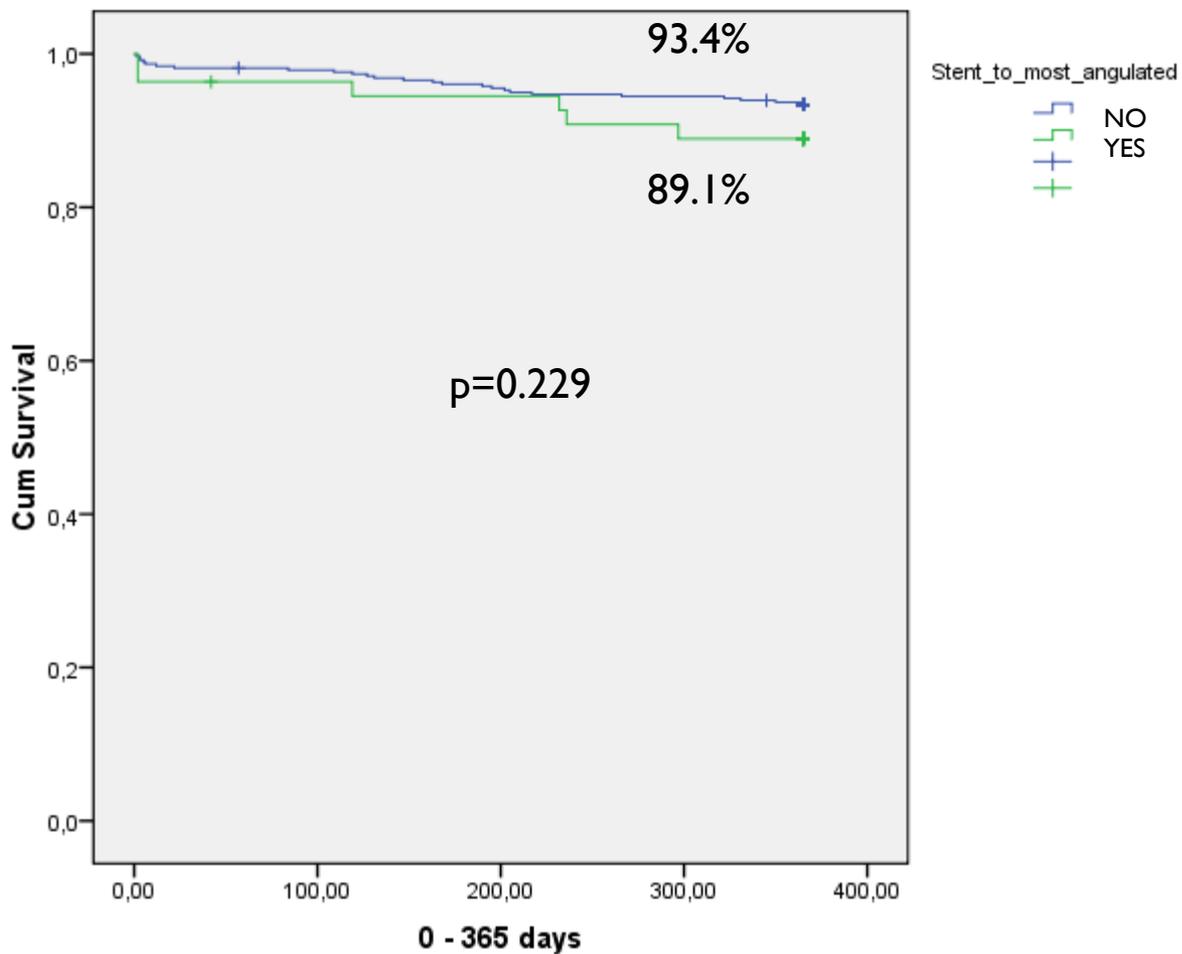


# MACE free survival (cardiac death, MI, TLR, stent thrombosis) *True vs Non-true bifurcation*



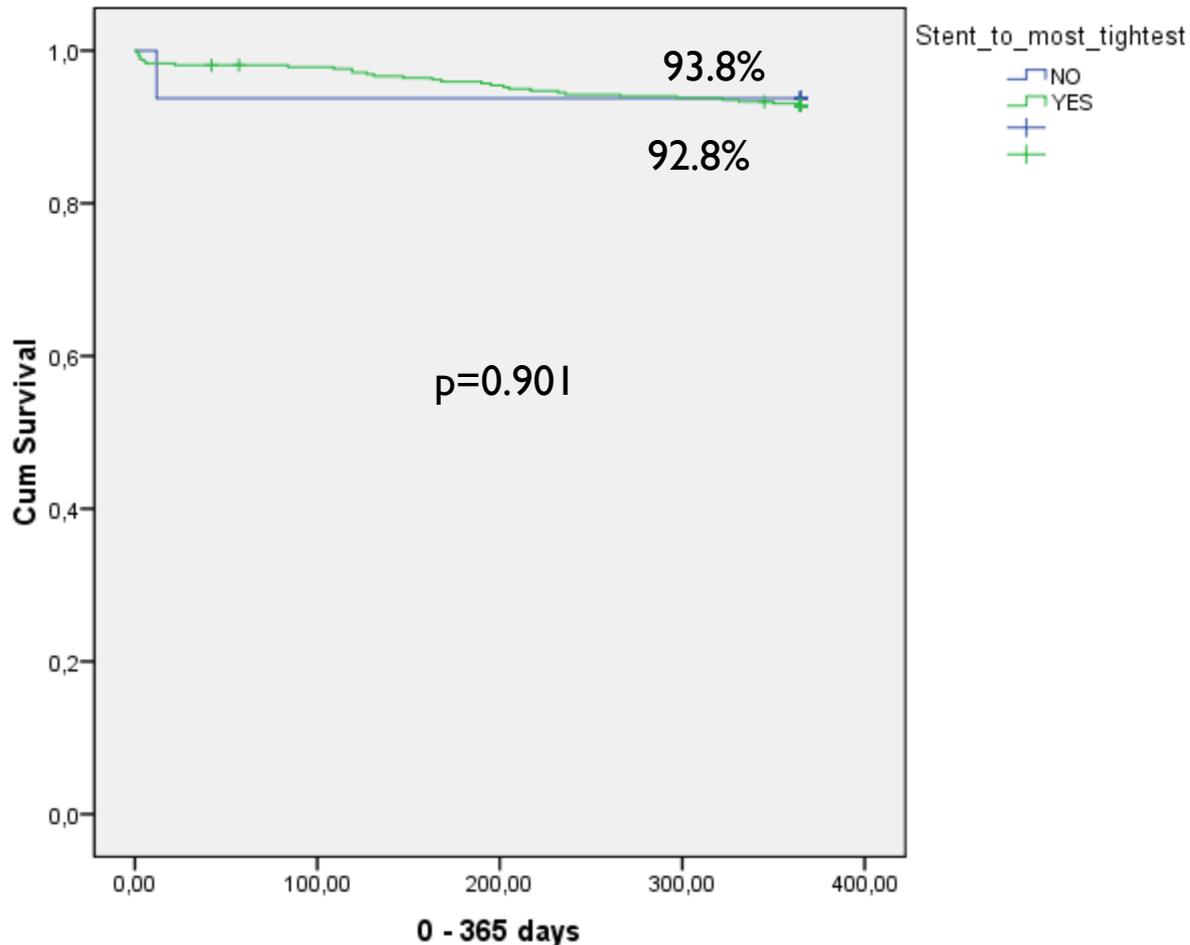


# MACE free survival (cardiac death, MI, TLR, stent thrombosis) *Stent to the most angulated vessel*



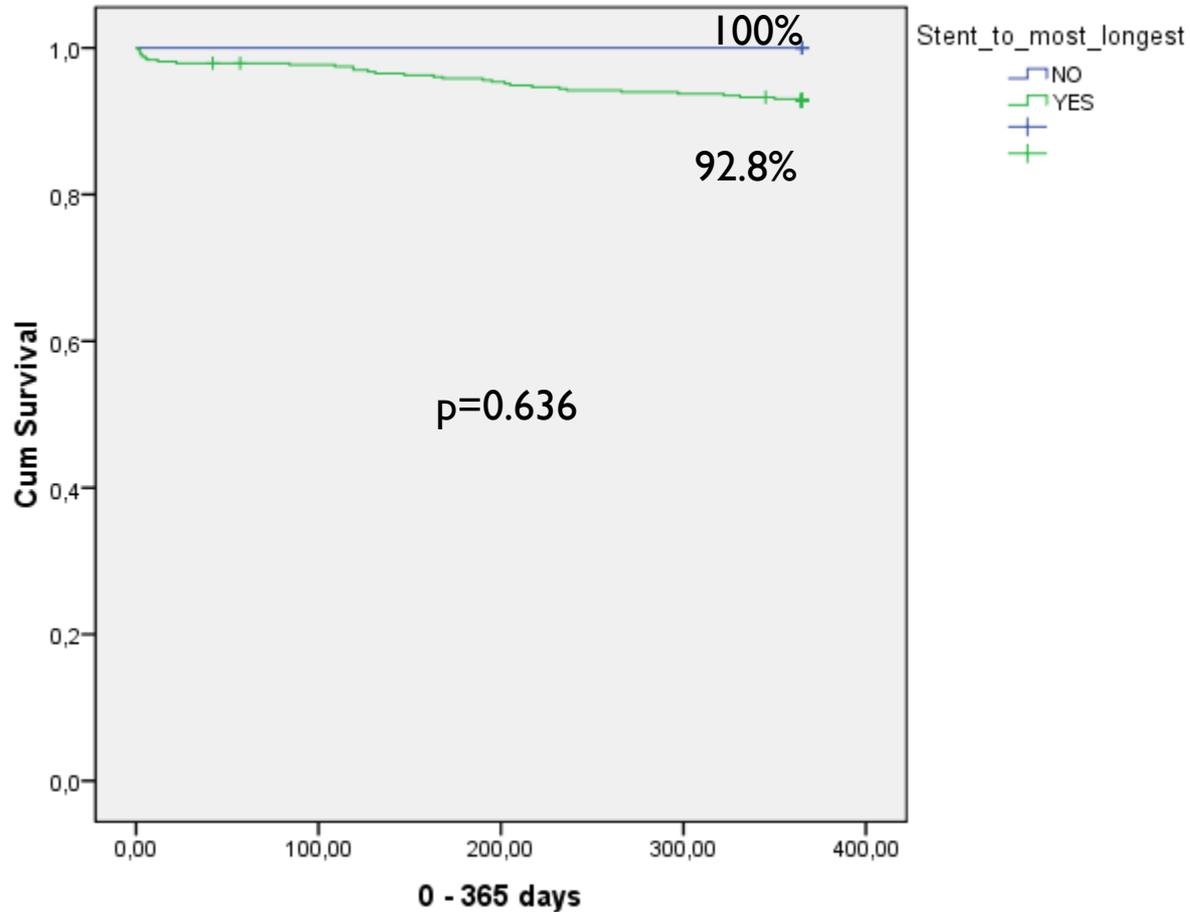


# MACE free survival (cardiac death, MI, TLR, stent thrombosis) *Stent to the most tightest lesion*





# MACE free survival (cardiac death, MI, TLR, stent thrombosis) *Stent to the most longest lesion*





## Conclusions

- Diabetes mellitus and non-ST acute coronary syndrome on presentation are predictors of cardiac death in patients after distal left main PCI
- Technical factors except stenting strategy do not influence one year MACE after distal left main PCI
- Two stent strategy is associated with higher one year MACE rate compared to one stent strategy

