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## NEXT GENERATION

Multidisciplinary European Endovascular Therapy

# Leave Something Behind in SFA Lesion

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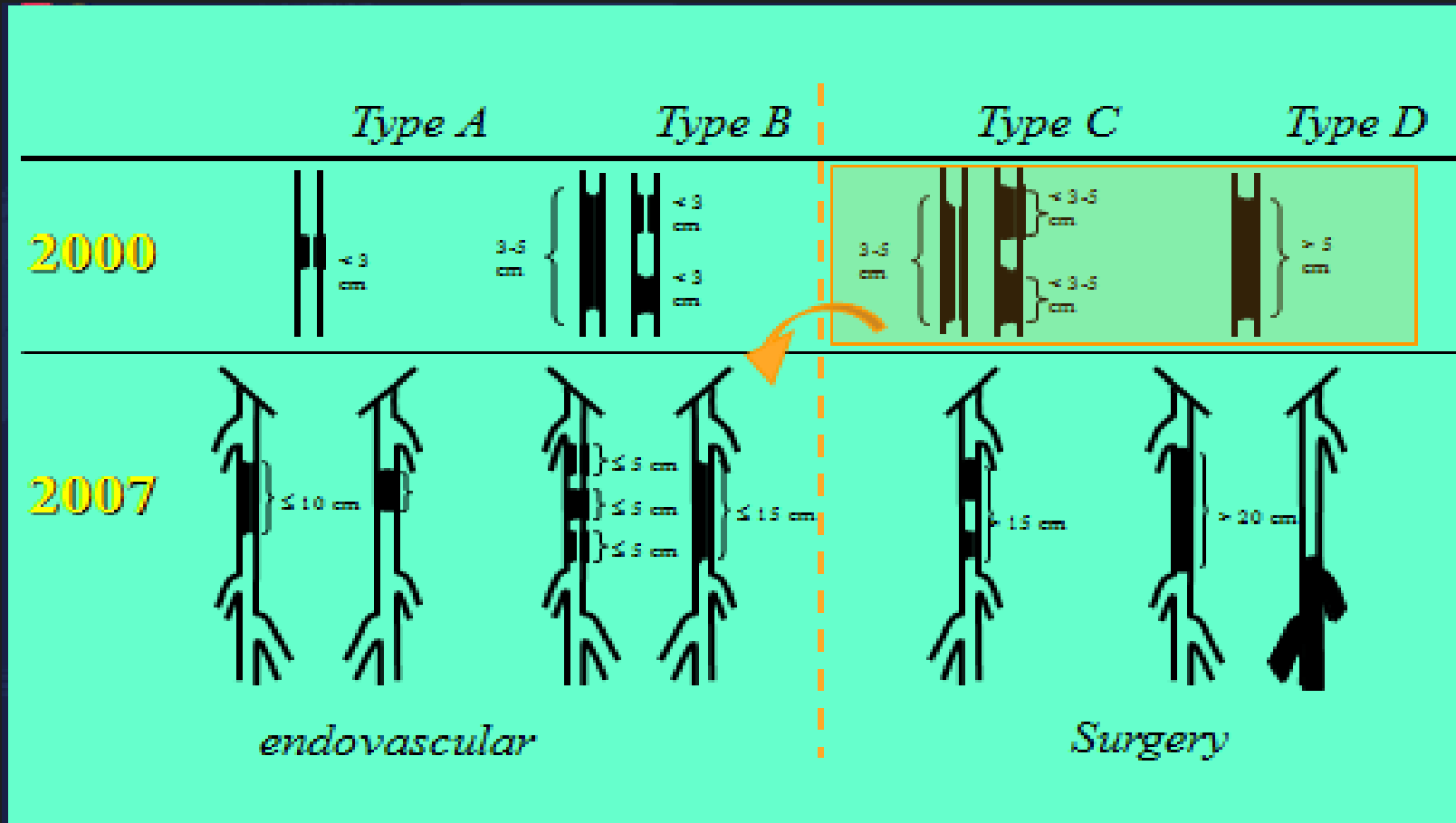
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# The challenge of SFA-POP treatment



# Outcomes of SFA Stents

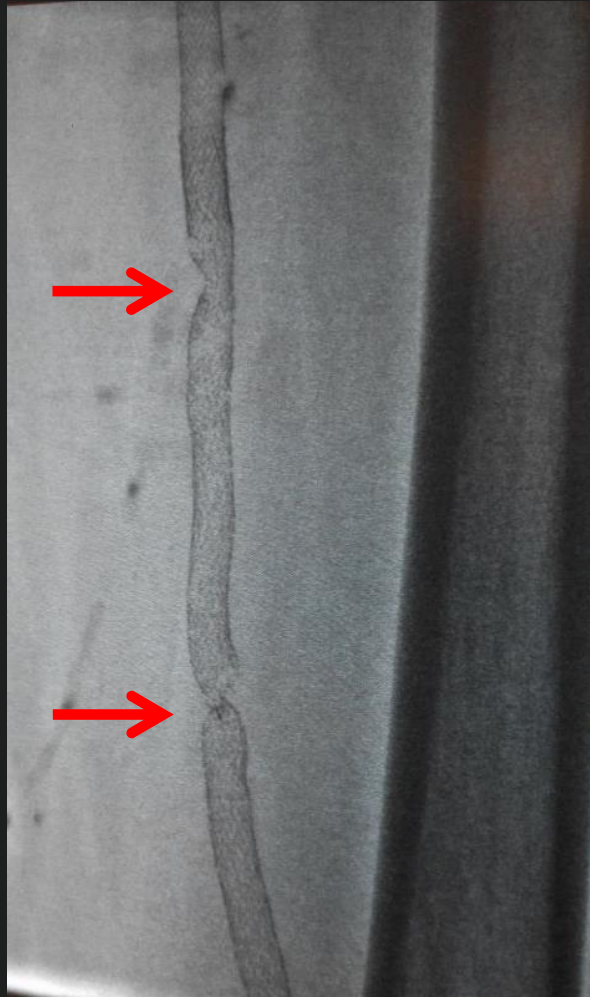
Clinic Trials	PP @12 M	Lesion Length
Fast	68%	4.4 cm
Resilient	80%	6.2 cm
Durability	72%	9.3 cm
Astron	65%	9.9 cm
Vienna	68%	10.9 cm

**TASC**  
**A和B**

# Outcomes of SFA Stents

<b>139 limbs</b>	<b>PP @12 M</b>	<b>PP @ 24 M</b>
<b>TASC C stent</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>80%</b>
<b>TASC D stent</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>28%</b>

# Failed of SFA Stents



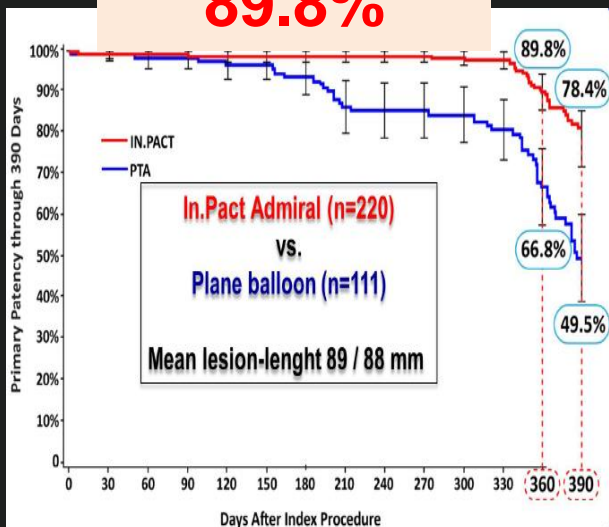
**Fracture**



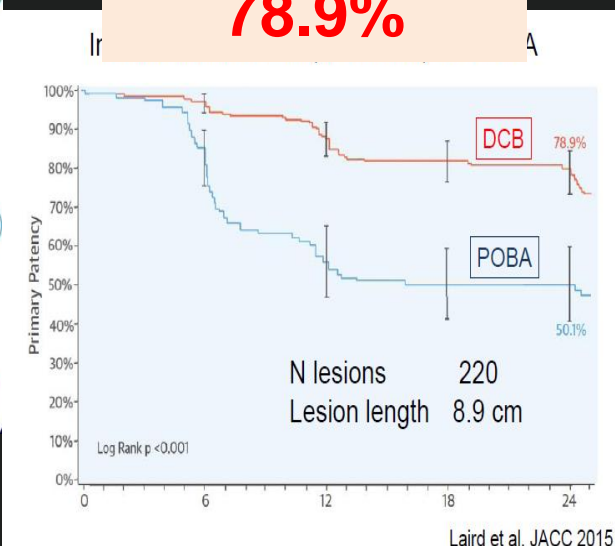
**Restenosis**

# In.Pact SFA Study

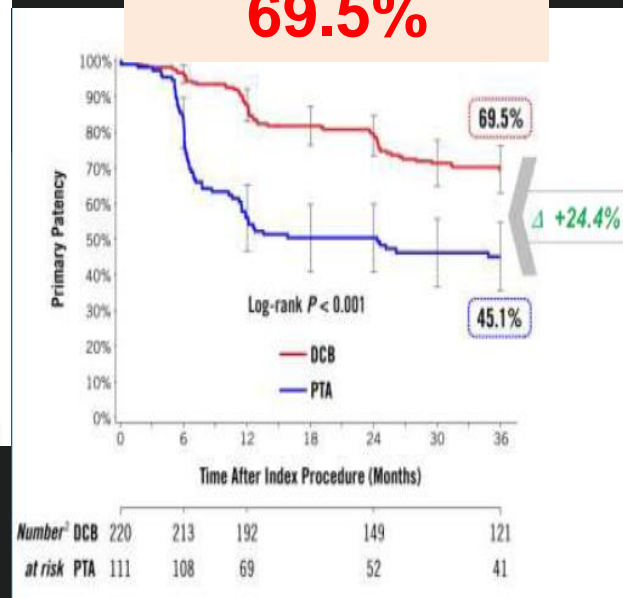
**1yr PP  
89.8%**



**2yrs PP  
78.9%**

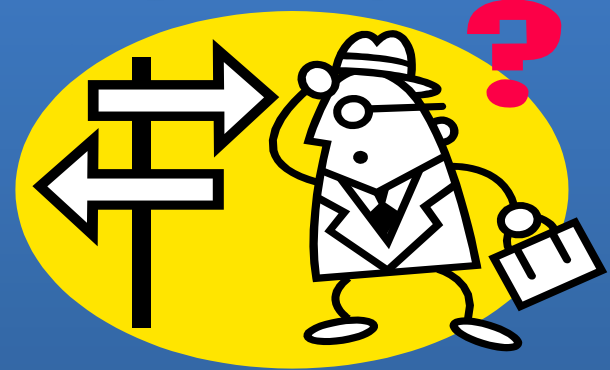


**3yrs PP  
69.5%**



*SFA stents not necessary ?*

*Nothing leave Behind*





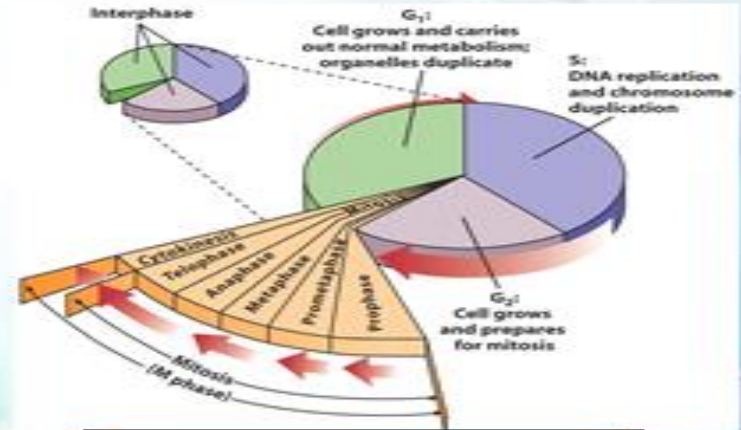
# PTA is not perfect

- **PTA study (2002)**
  - 74 patients
  - **43% major dissections**
  - **32% residual stenosis >30%**
- **ABSOLUTE: Stent vs. PTA (2006)**
  - 104 patients, 1:1 randomization
  - **32% insufficient PTA result led to cross over to stent**
- **RESILIENT: Stent vs. PTA (2008)**
  - 206 patients 2:1 randomization **40% PTA cross over to stent** due to flow limiting dissections and residual stenosis

## Rate of Bail-out Stents >20%

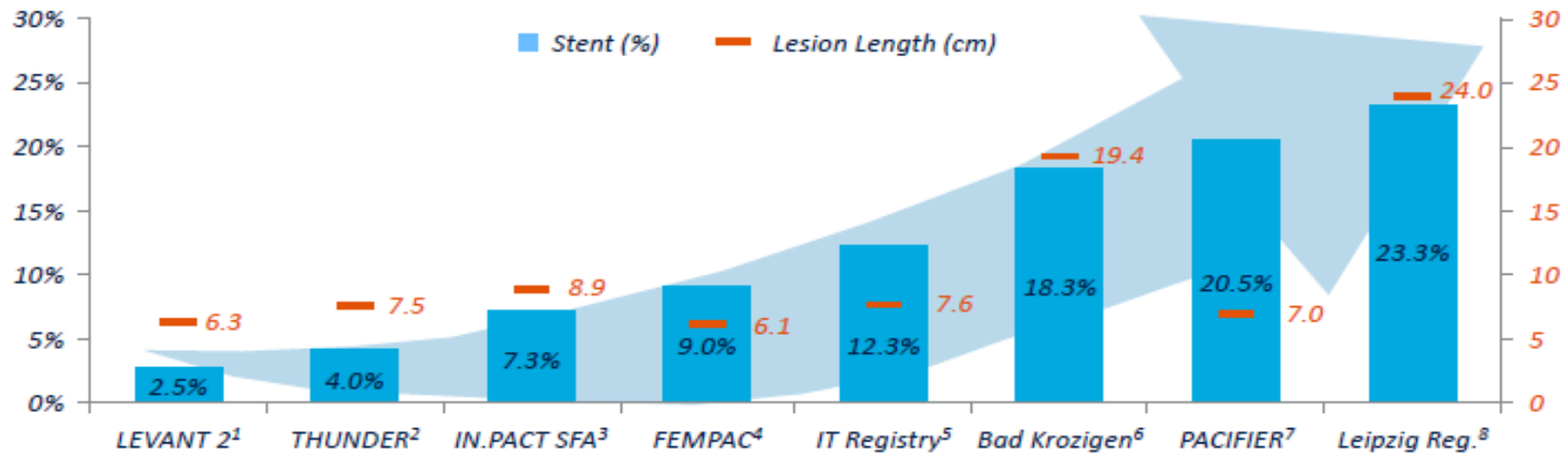
- 21 patients, 1:1 randomization
- **21% and 35% bail out stenting** due to flow limiting dissections and residual stenosis

# Stent has the meaning in DCB study



**PTX**

*Provisional stent rates in DCB trials trend with lesion length*



Complex SFA lesion needs stents

*Leave sth. Behind*

# SFA stents are not simple

Covidien  
**EverFlex™**  
Bare metal stent

**DURABILITY II<sup>1</sup>**

**89.1** mm  
Mean Lesion Length

**71.0%**  
Patency at 36 mos.  
Mean lesion length 49 mm\*

**0.9%**  
Overall Fracture Rate  
at 36 mos.

Cook  
**Zilver™ PTX™**  
Drug-eluting stent

Zilver PTX RCT<sup>2</sup>

**54.3** mm  
Mean Lesion Length

**68.7%**  
Patency at 36 mos.  
Mean lesion length 54 mm

**2.1%**  
Overall Fracture Rate  
at 36 mos.

*Why DES has no advantage ?*

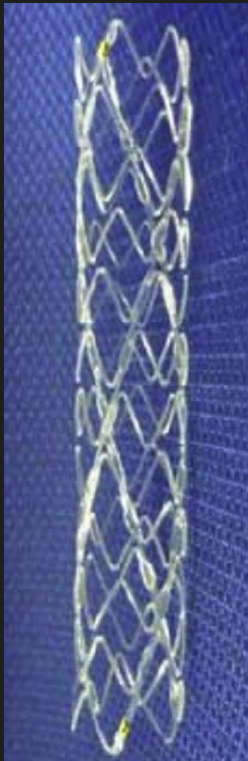
# Resorbable stent – **Poor Results**

## Treatment of the femoropopliteal artery with the bioresorbable REMEDY stent



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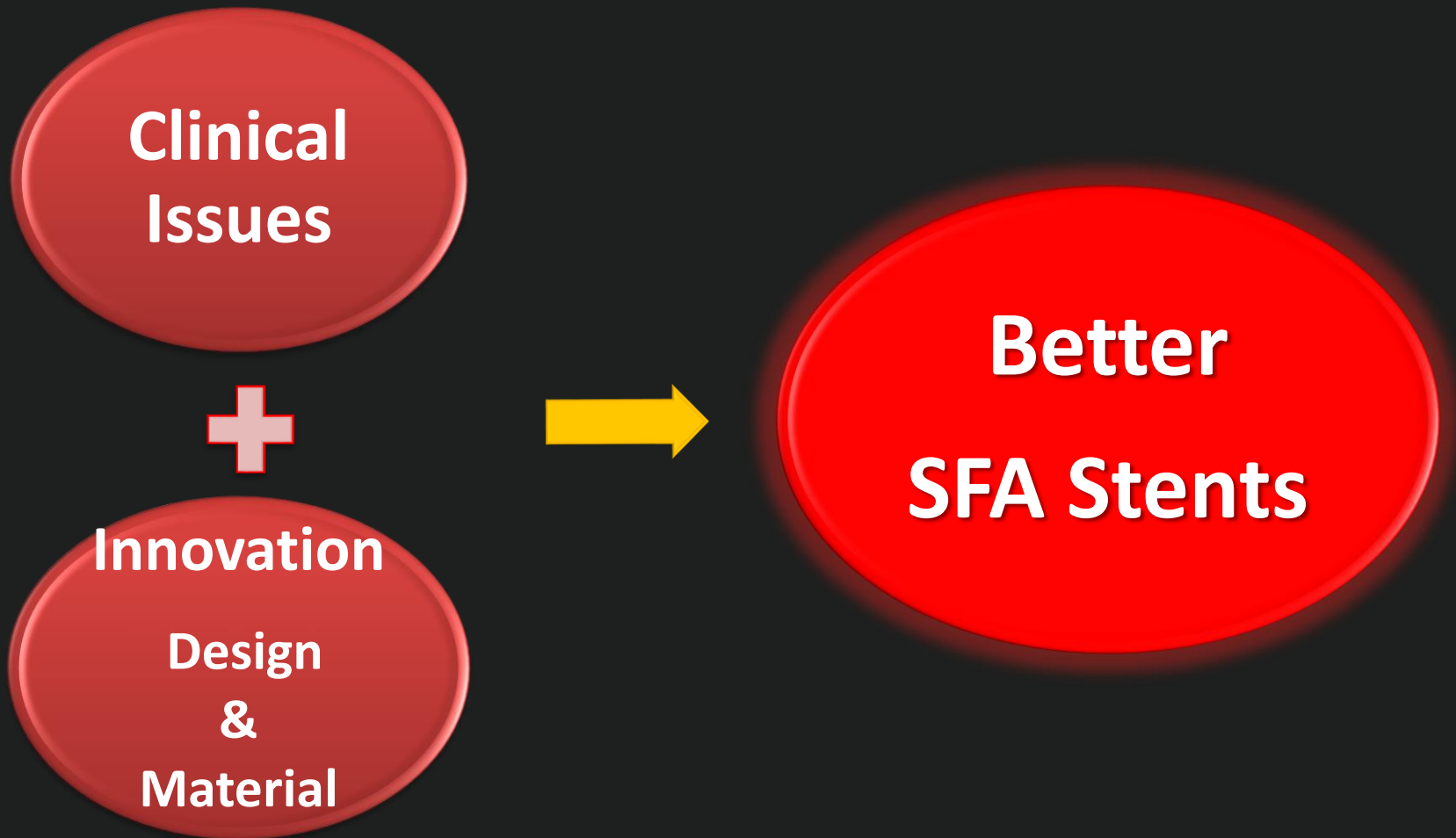


Variable	6 months			12 months		
	No.	Frequency	Percentage	No.	Frequency	Percentage
Primary patency	82	56	68	74	43	58
Secondary patency	81	69	85	71	61	86
TLR	88	17	19	80	26	33
TVR	88	17	19	80	26	33
Amputation	88	1 <sup>a</sup>	1	78	3 <sup>b</sup>	4
Mortality	88	1 <sup>c</sup>	1	76	2 <sup>c</sup>	3

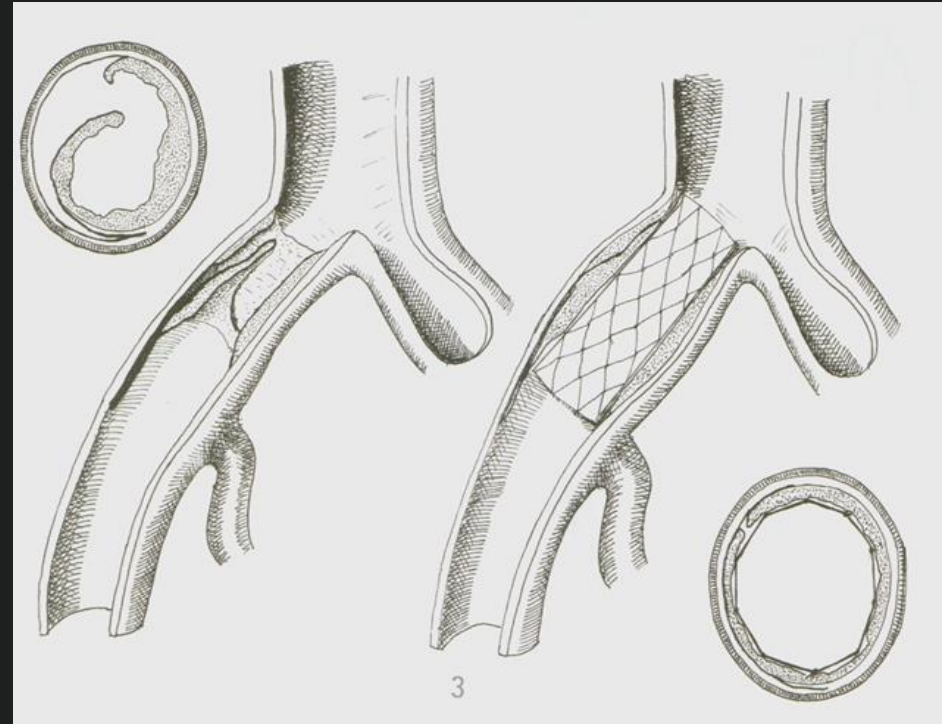
**We need better SFA stents**

***Leave right things Behind***

# What is Perfect SFA stent



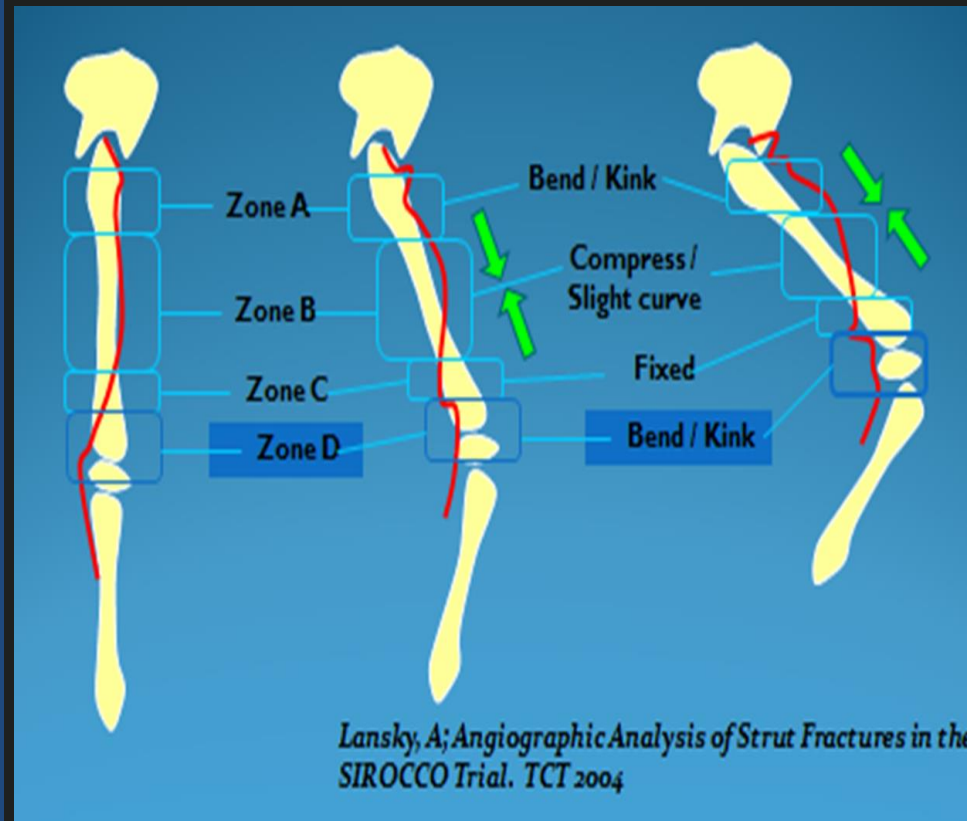
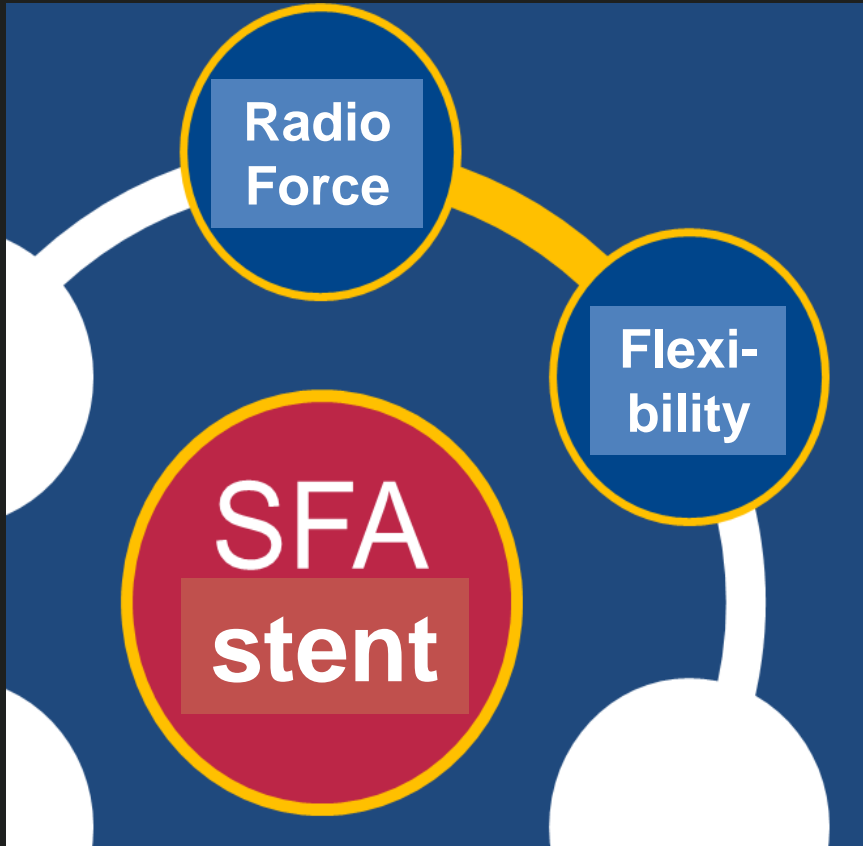
# SFA Stent - *1.High Radio Force*



**To maintain  
the lumen open**

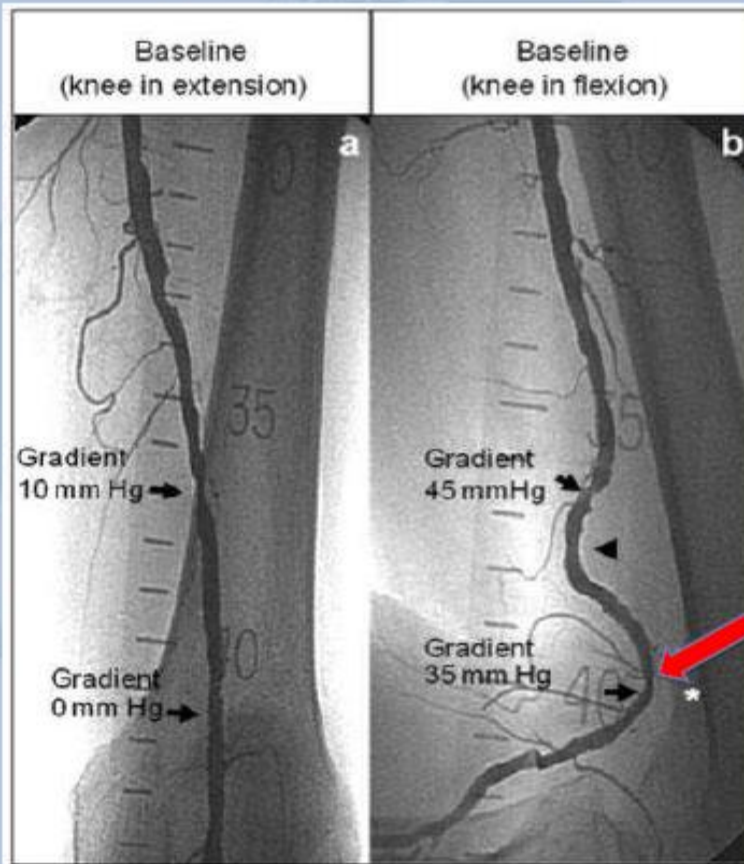


# SFA Stent - 2. Flexibility

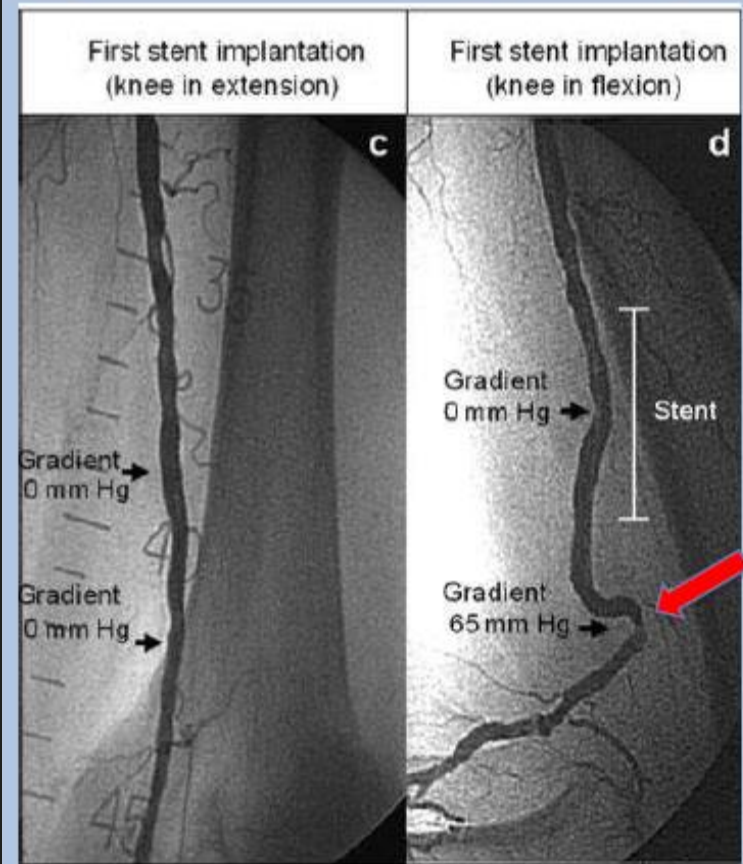


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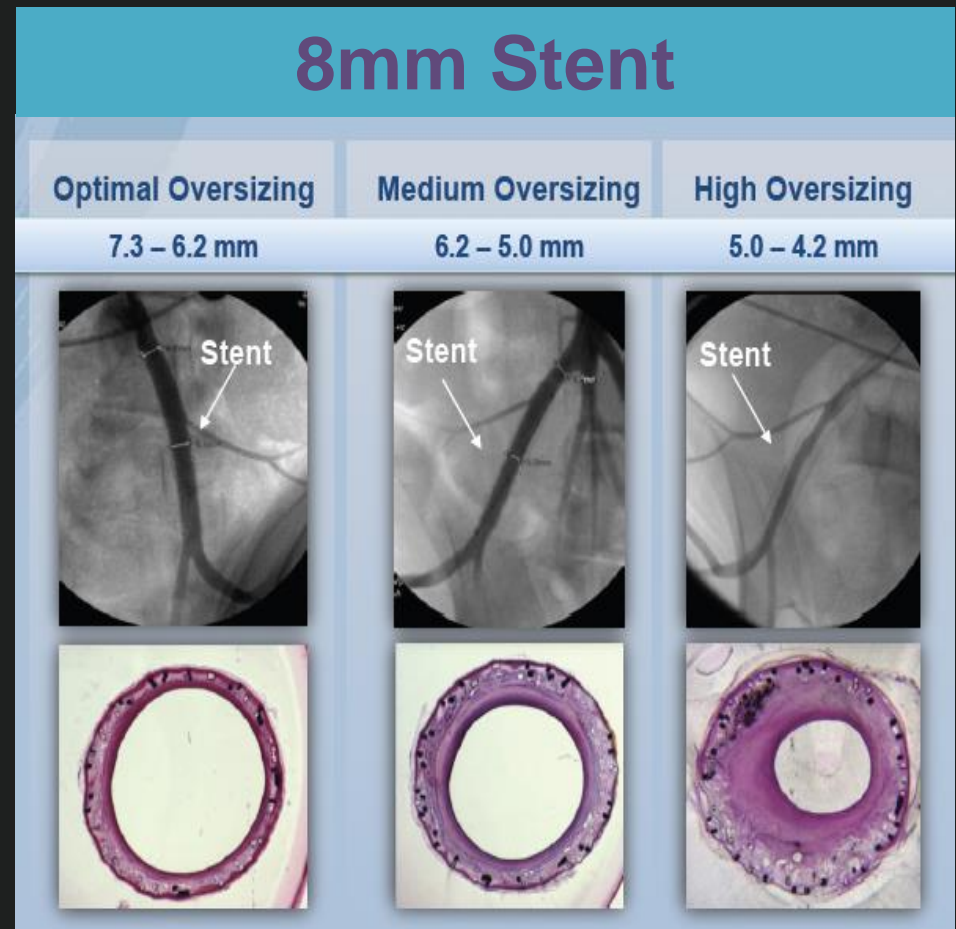
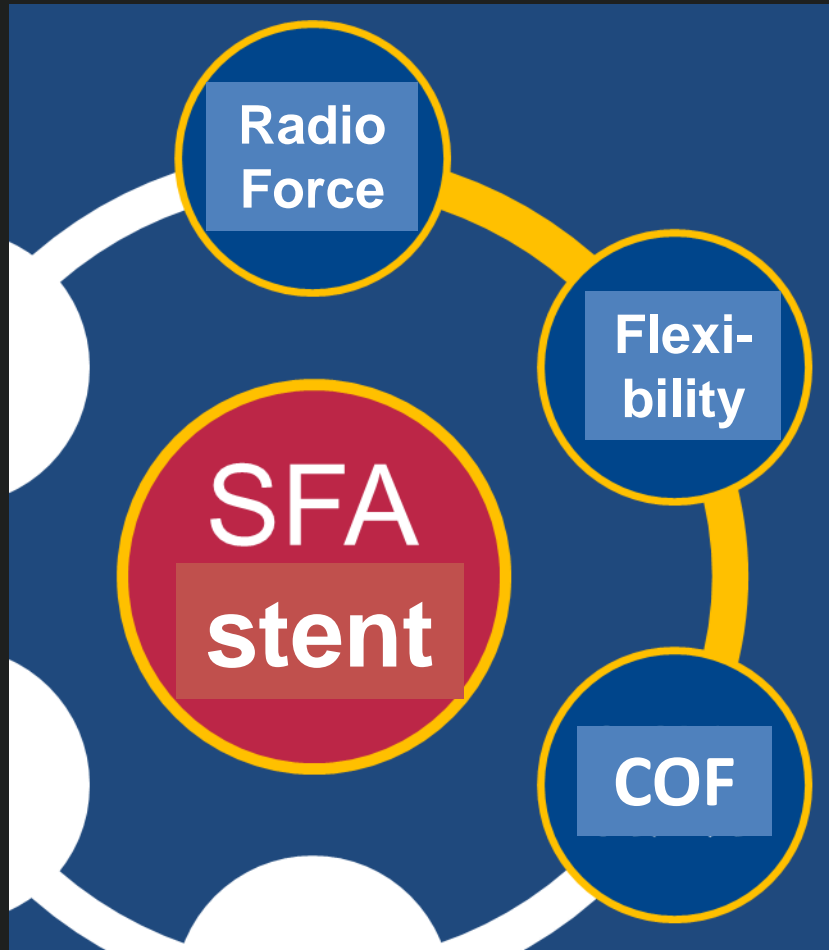
Prior to Treatment



Post Treatment – Straight Stent



# SFA Stent - 3. Chronic Radial Force



# Radial Force after stenting

**Chronic Outward Force (COF)**

**Radial Resistive Force (RRF)**

**Crush Resistance (CR)**

# Literatures of High COF

[Ballyk PD et al. Intramural stress increases exponentially with stent diameter: a stress threshold for neointimal hyperplasia. J Vasc Interv Radiol. 2006 Jul;17\(7\):1139-45](#)

- to evaluate the impact of stent oversizing on resultant arterial wall stress concentrations and examine the concept of a “stress threshold” for neointimal hyperplasia development
- stent “oversizing” results in an exponential increase in stresses on the vessel wall (intramural)
- intramural stress injury beyond a certain threshold may cause early restenosis by triggering neointimal hyperplasia

[Freeman JW et al. A link between stent radial forces and vascular wall remodeling: the discovery of an optimal stent radial force for minimal vessel restenosis. Connect Tissue Res. 2010 Aug;51\(4\):314-26](#)

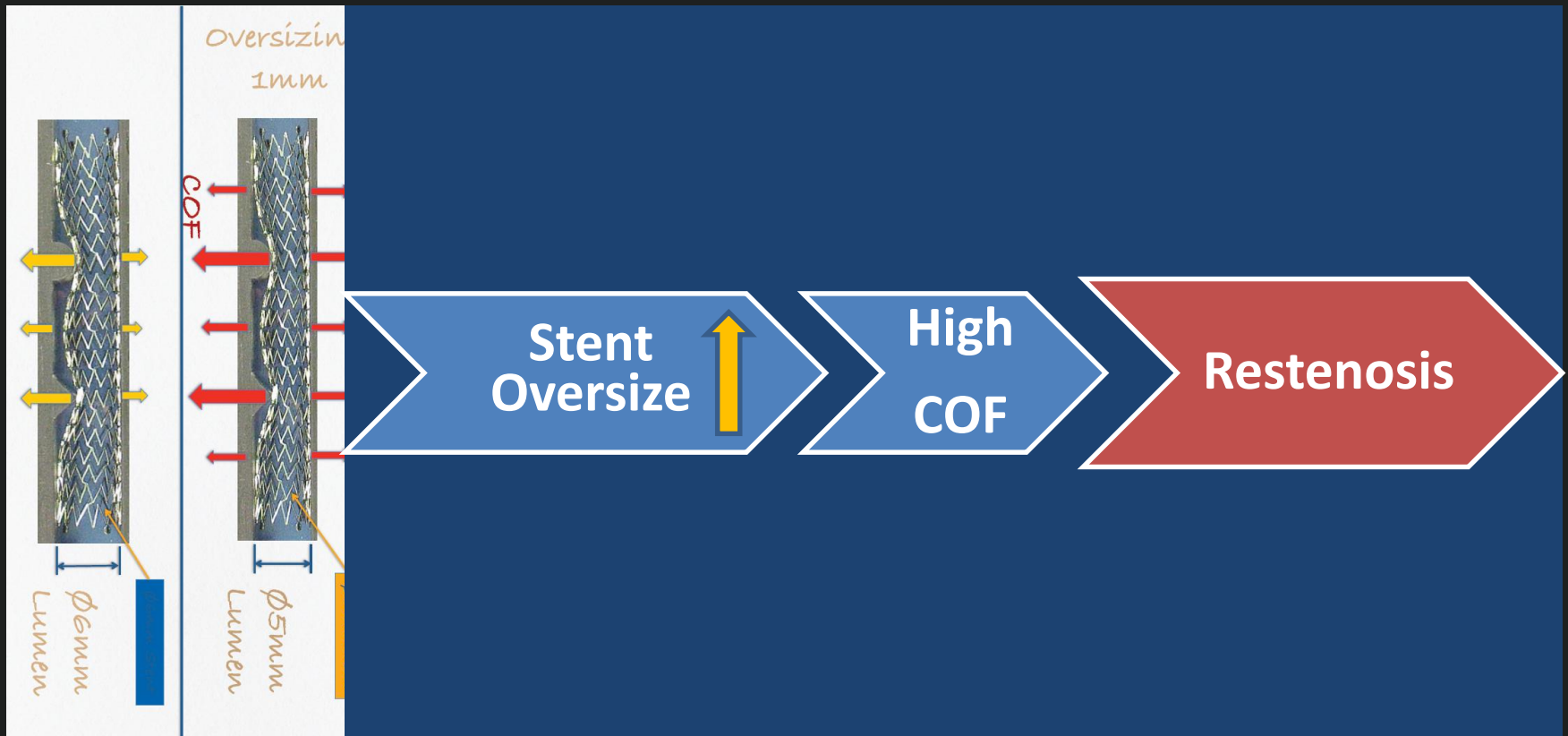
- low, high and ultrahigh radial force stents were implanted in porcine iliac arteries
- 30 days after implantation, significant increase in intimal thickness and neointimal hyperplasia with increasing stent force
- stents should not produce stress in the vessel wall greater than the end of the transitional domain of the vessel’s stress–strain curve

[Zhao HQ et al. Late stent expansion and neointimal proliferation of oversized Nitinol stents in peripheral arteries. Cardiovasc Intervent Radiol. 2009 Jul;32\(4\):720-6](#)

- 8mm diameter SE stents implanted in Yucatan swine ilio-femoral arteries, stent to artery ratio (oversizing) varied from ratio of 1.2 to 1.9 (7.1 – 4.7mm)
- at 6 months all stents expanded to nominal diameter (8mm)
- severe stent oversizing (>1.4) results in exuberant neointimal proliferation and luminal stenosis

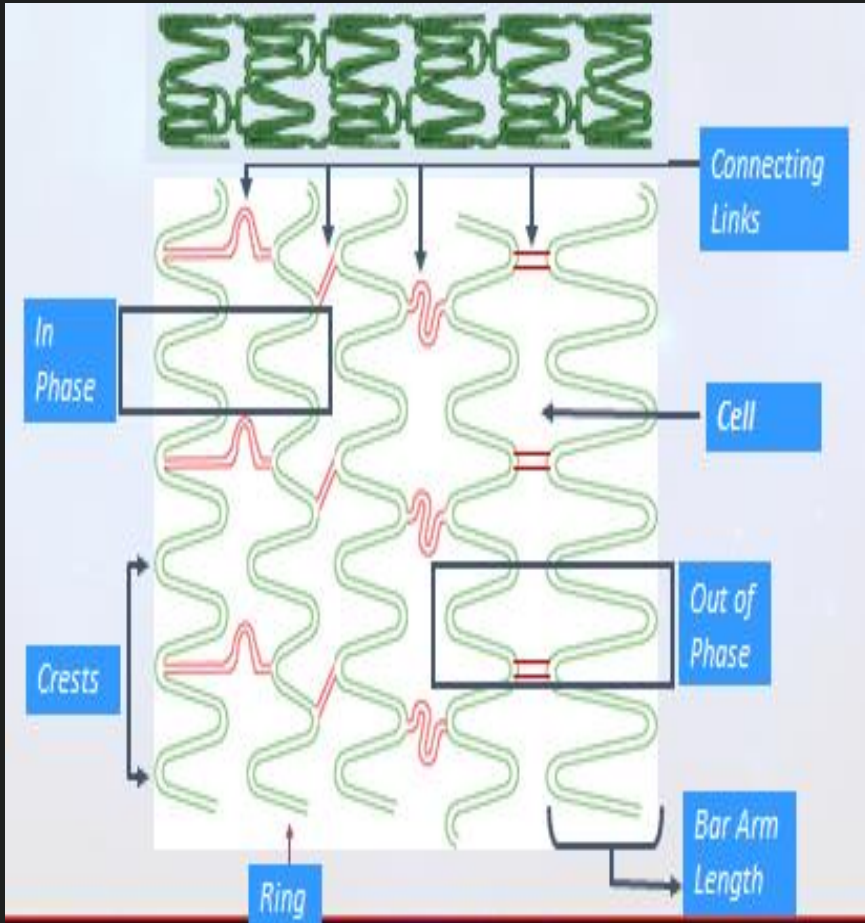
**High COF cause neointimal hyperplasia and restenosis**

# COF - Stent Oversize Rate





# COF – Stent Design

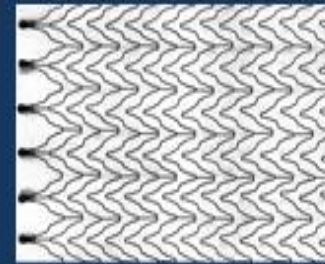


These 2D images show very different design structures

- Many design parameters influence final COF
- Main factors are
  - design itself
  - strut thickness
  - strut width
  - number of connectors
  - segment length



BIOTRONIK Pulsar-18  
 Strut thickness: 140  $\mu\text{m}$   
 Strut width: 85  $\mu\text{m}$



Abbott Absolute PRO  
 Strut thickness: 230  $\mu\text{m}$   
 Strut width: 110  $\mu\text{m}$



Bard Lifestent Flexstar (XL)  
 Strut thickness: 205  $\mu\text{m}$   
 Strut width: 100  $\mu\text{m}$

# SFA-POP diameter change Location & Exercise

## Straightening

6mm Stent COF change

4.38 mm

3.31 mm

3.92 mm

5.13 mm

Stent-vessel  
diameter range:  
5.13 – 3.31 mm

## Bending

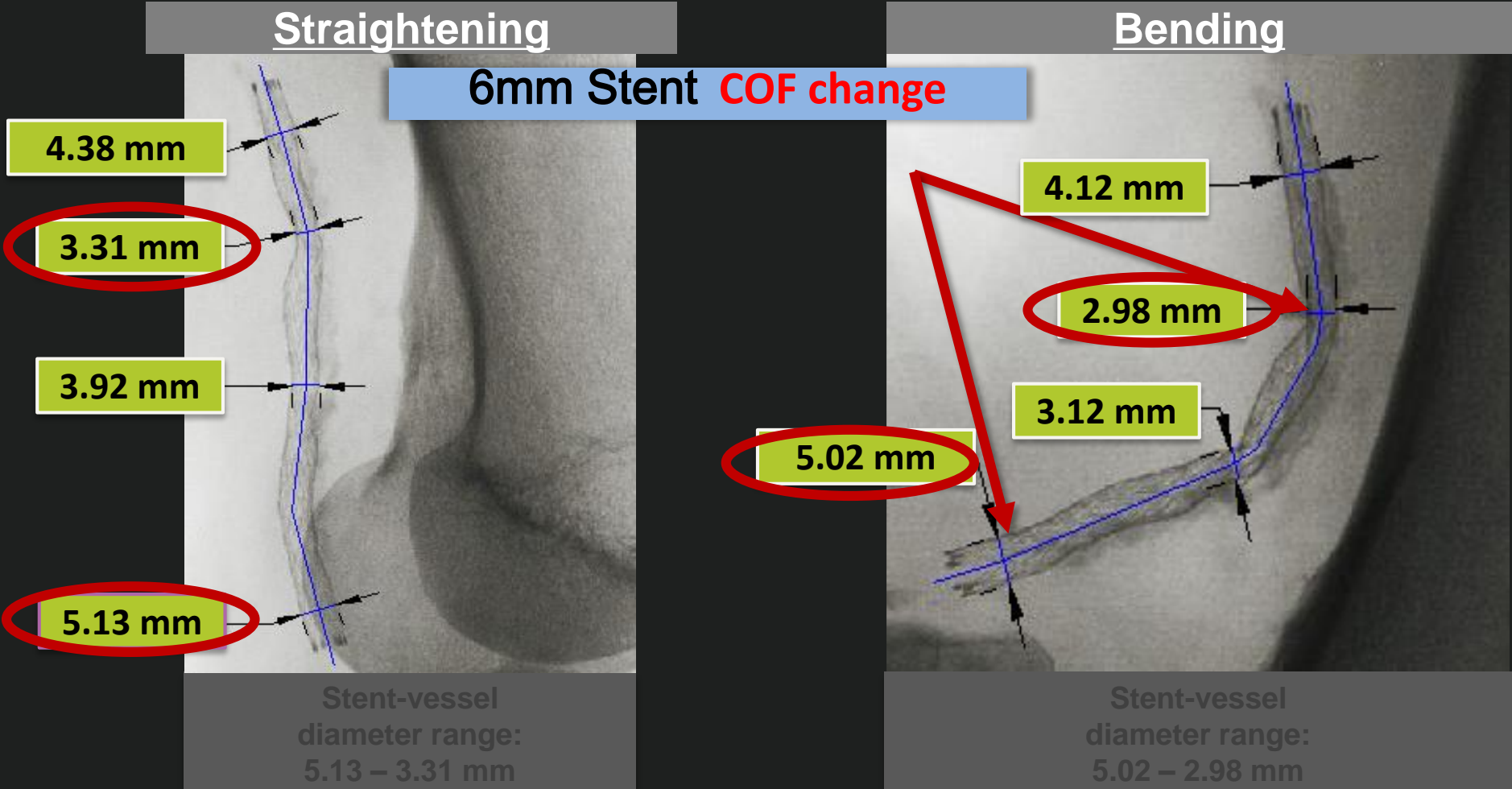
4.12 mm

2.98 mm

3.12 mm

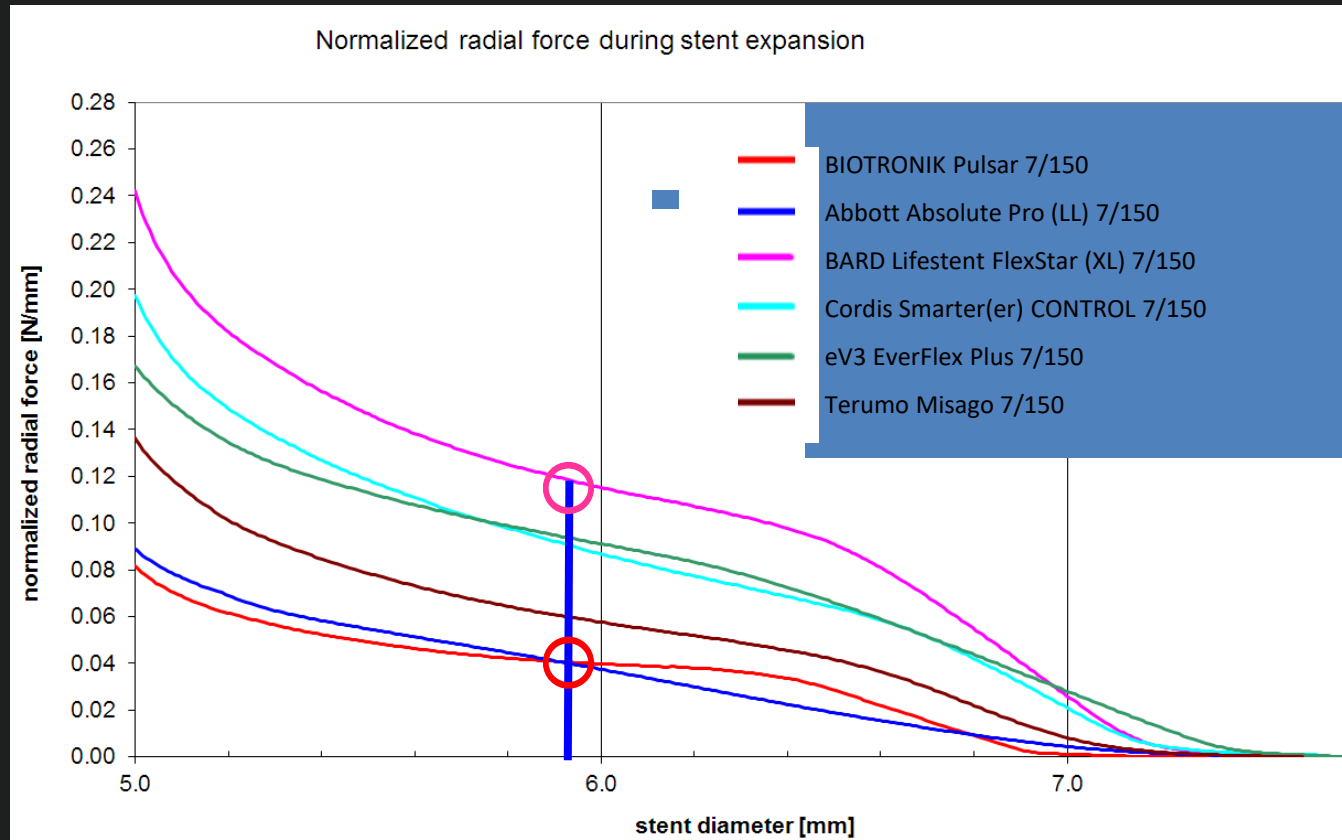
5.02 mm

Stent-vessel  
diameter range:  
5.02 – 2.98 mm





# Stent COF changes in different oversizing



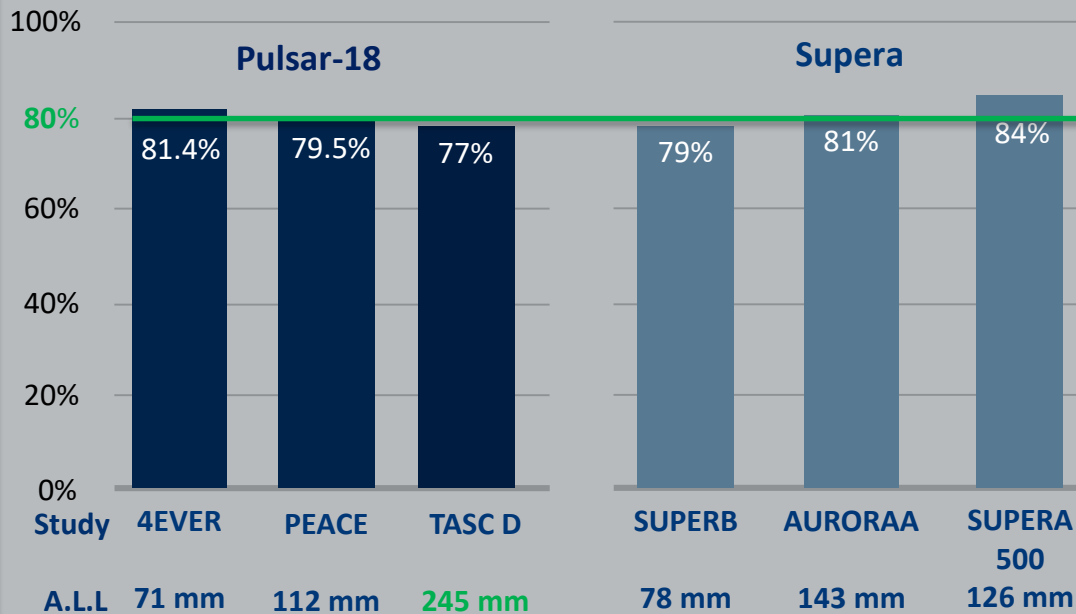
7mm stent in 6mm vessel (1mm oversizing). COF of Pulsar (red line) & Absolute PRO (LL) (blue line) similar

- **Oversizing Pulsar/Absolute PRO (LL) stents makes smaller difference to COF than other stents**

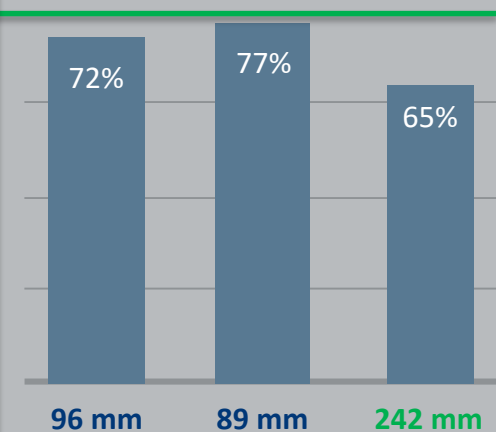
# COF - Patency of Stent

## Primary Patency Rates at 12m. Selected SFA trial outcomes

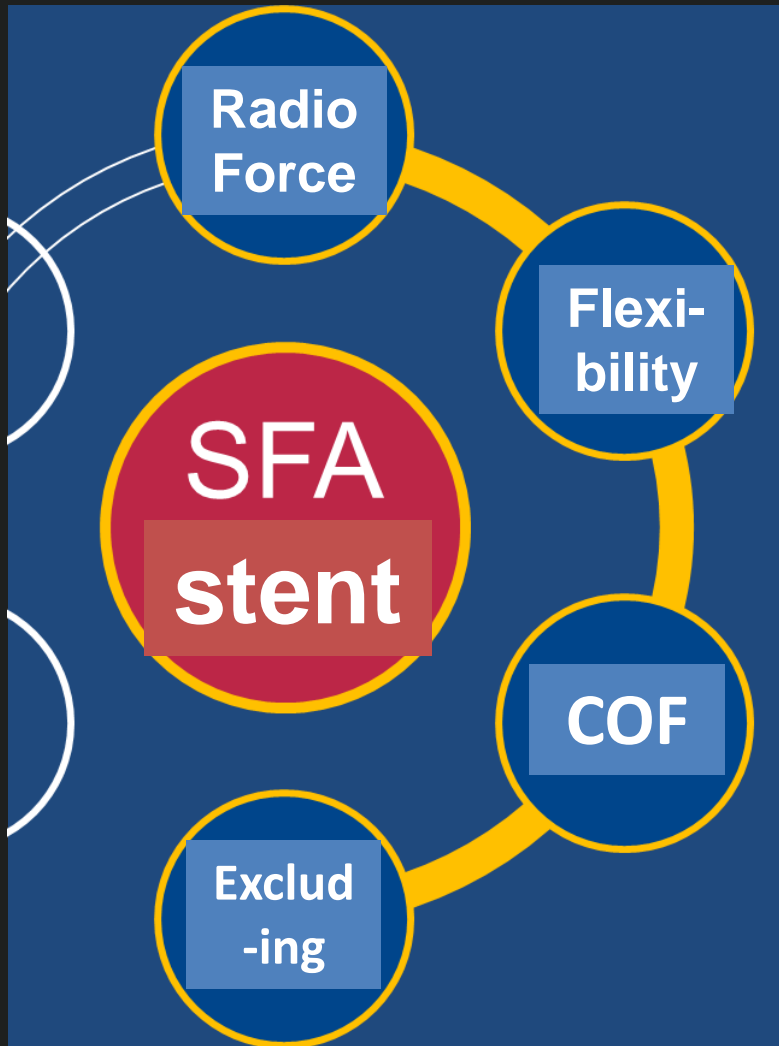
### Examples of lower Chronic Outward Force



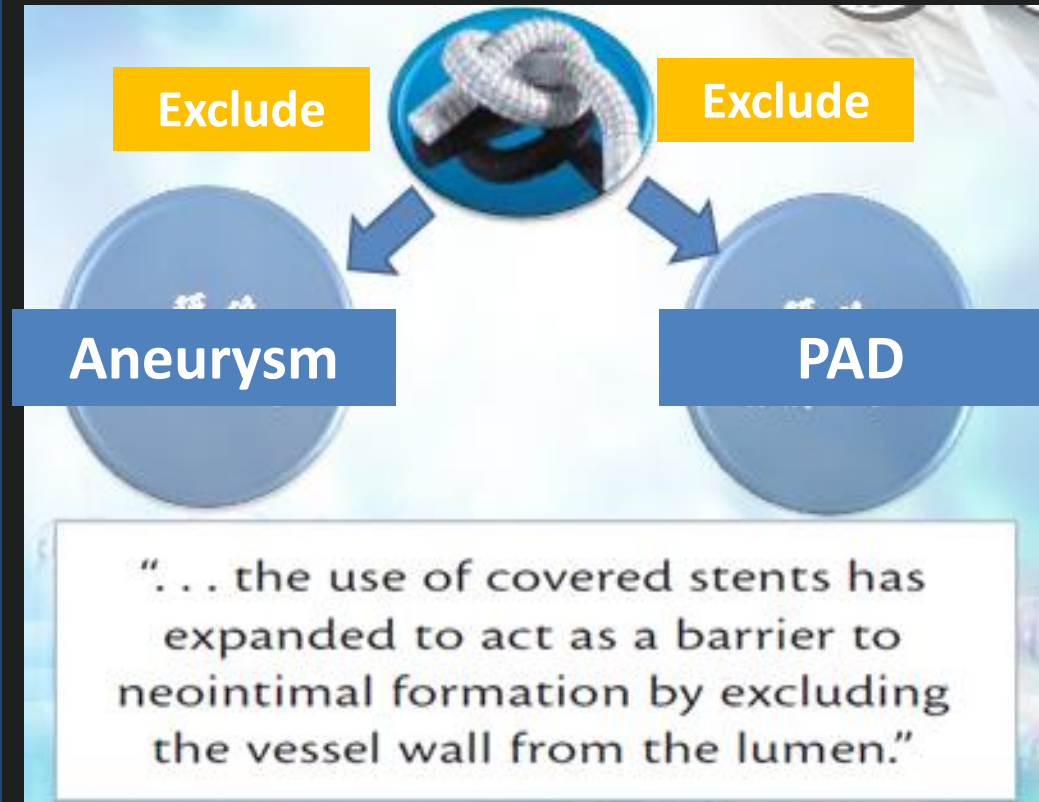
### Example of higher Chronic Outward Force Stent



# SFA Stent - 4. *Excluding the lesion*



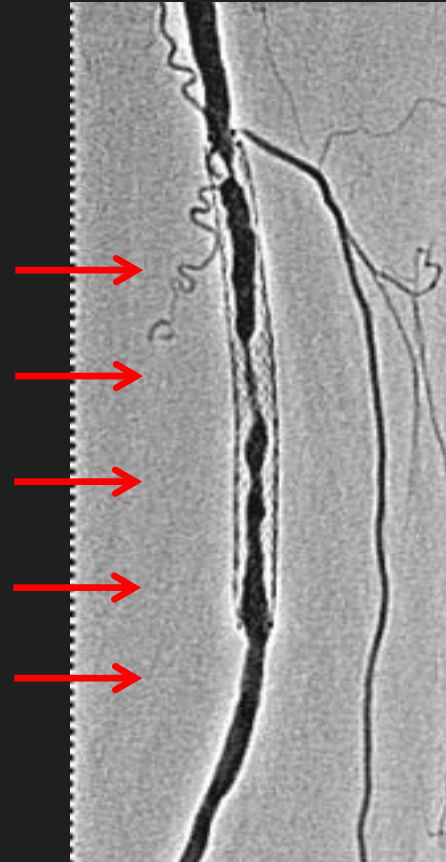
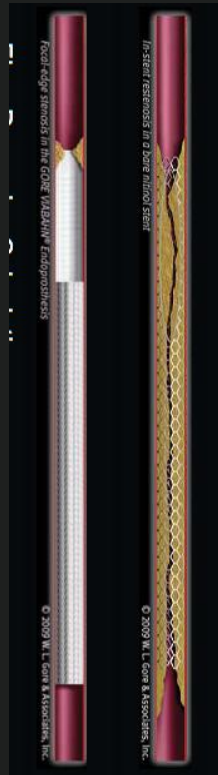
## Covered Stent



# Cover Stent: Edge restenosis



**Cover -**



**Bare -**

# Cover Stent: VIASTAR Trial

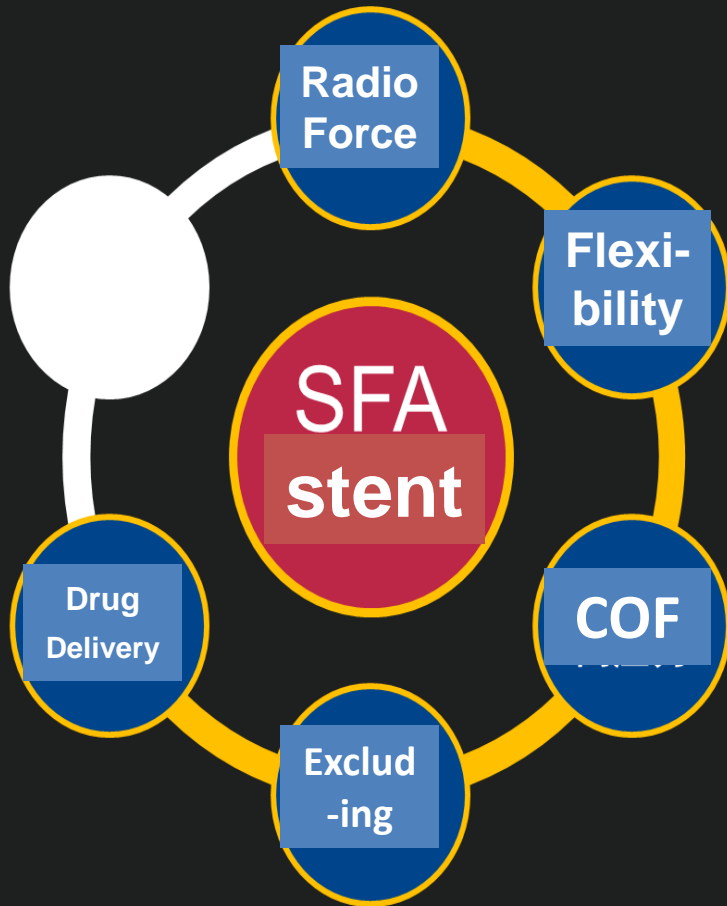
- (Viabahn Endoprosthesis With PROPATEN Bioactive Surface [VIA] Versus Bare Nitinol Stent in the Treatment SFA Long Lesions)**

Number with 12-month follow-up	GORE® VIABAHN® Endoprosthesis n = 57	Bare Metal Stent n = 52	p-value
Restenoses* (>50%)	9 (16%)	22 (42%)	0.003
Occlusions	6 (11%)	4 (8%)	0.74
Acute Limb Ischemia (ALI)	1 (1.5%)	0	1.0

\* GORE® VIABAHN® Endoprosthesis group: only edge stenoses observed.

\* BMS group: diffuse in-stent restenosis observed most commonly.

# SFA Stent - 5. Local drug delivery



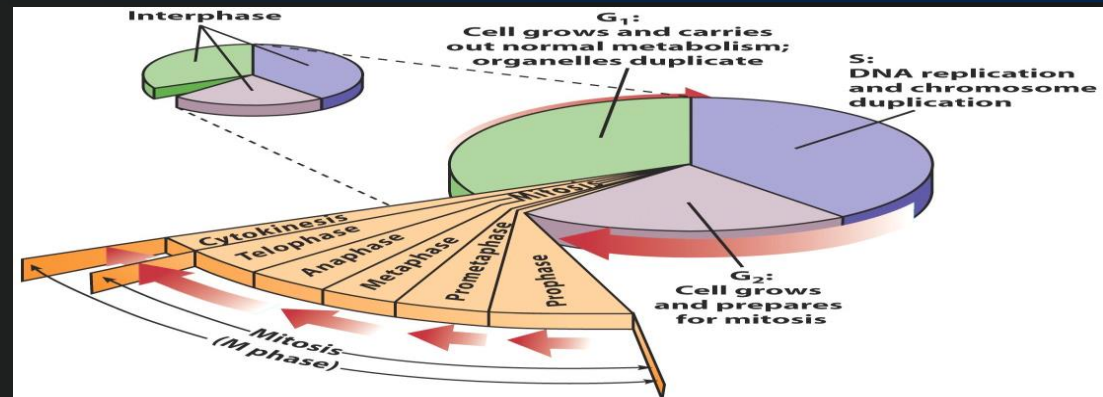
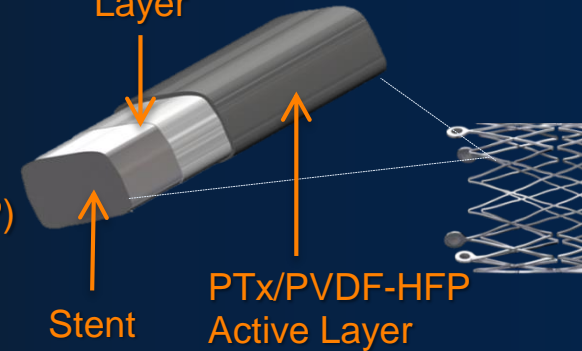
## Primer Layer (PBMA)

Promotes adhesion of active layer to stent

## Active Layer (PTx/PVDF-HFP)

Controls release of Paclitaxel

PBMA Primer Layer

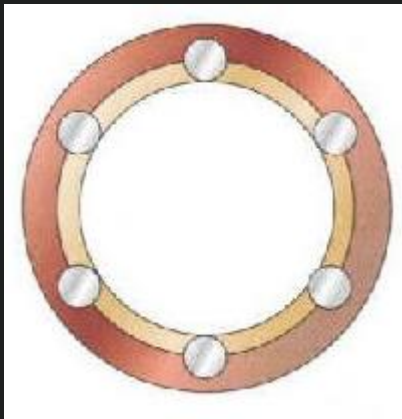


# SFA Stent - 6. *Strut (width)*



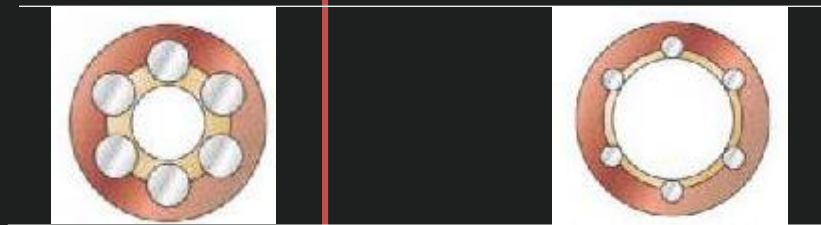
- Dedicated design for small vessels – not a large vessel stent in smaller diameters
- Flow optimization due to thinner struts<sup>1</sup>

**Large vessel stent**  
 e.g. Astron, Smart, E-Luminexx etc...



Large vessel

**Small vessel stent**  
 e.g. **Pulsar**, Superflex-418, Xpert



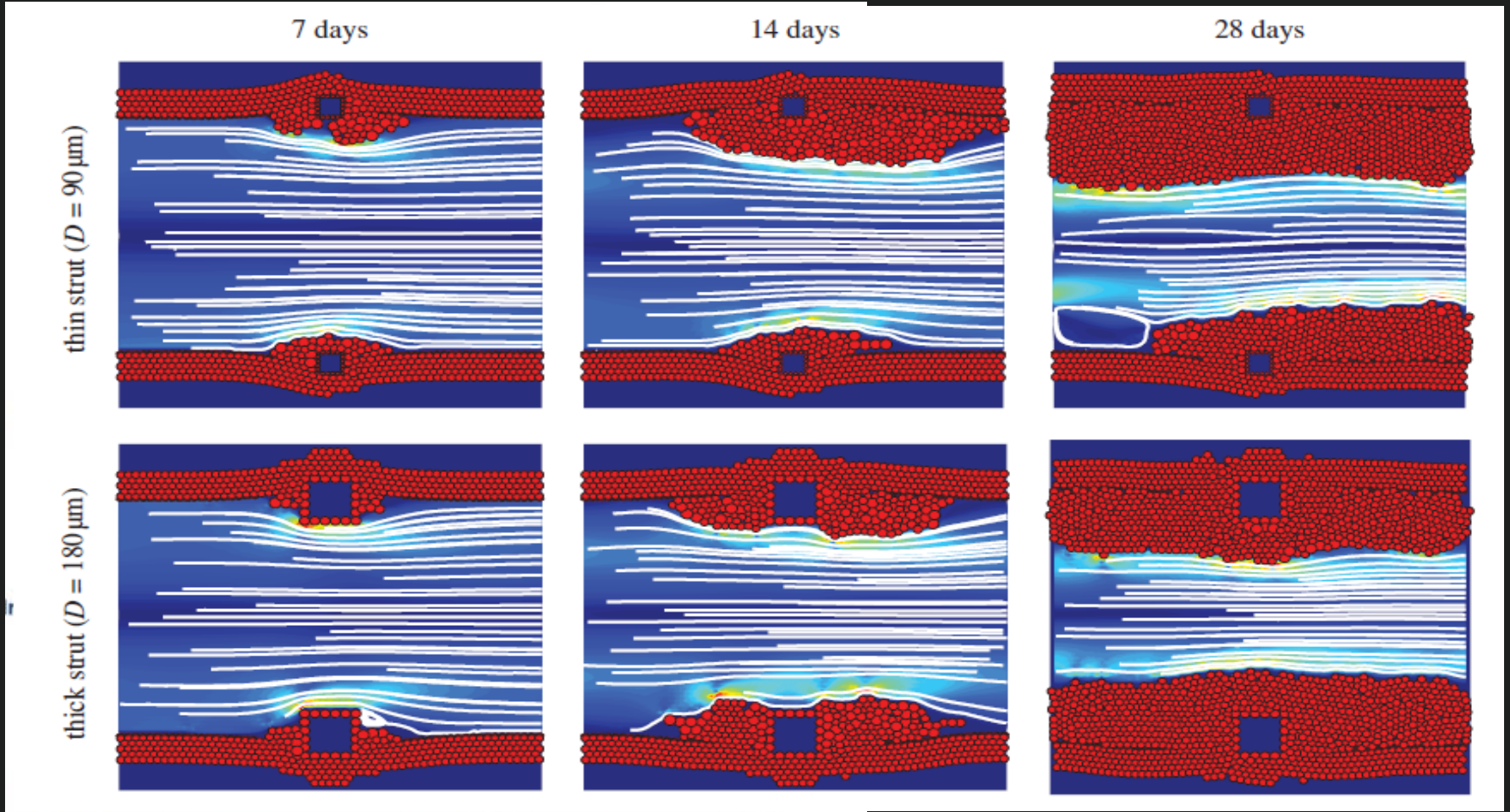
Small vessel

Small vessel

**Strut thickness / Lumen Optimization**  
**Strut thickness / width 140µm - 228µm**



# SFA Stent - 6. Strut (*width*)



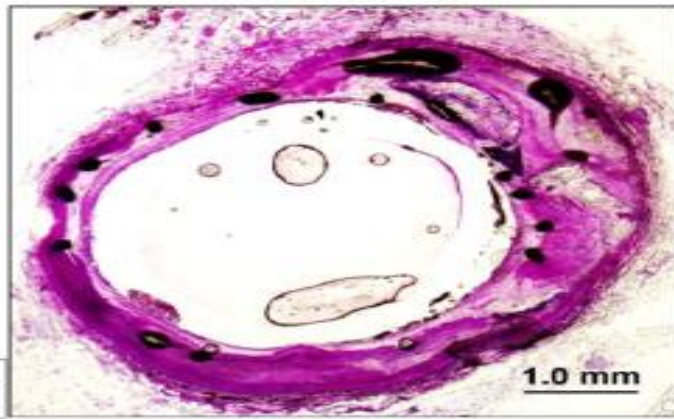
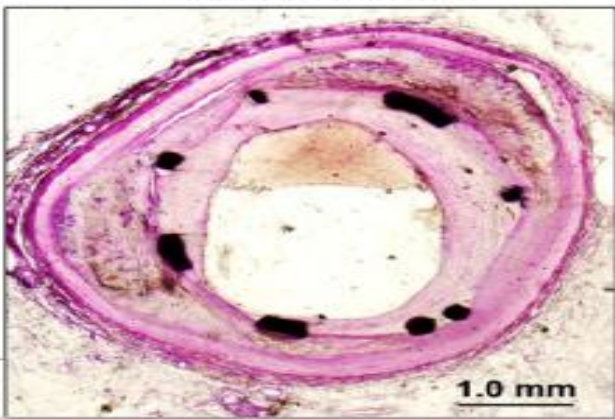
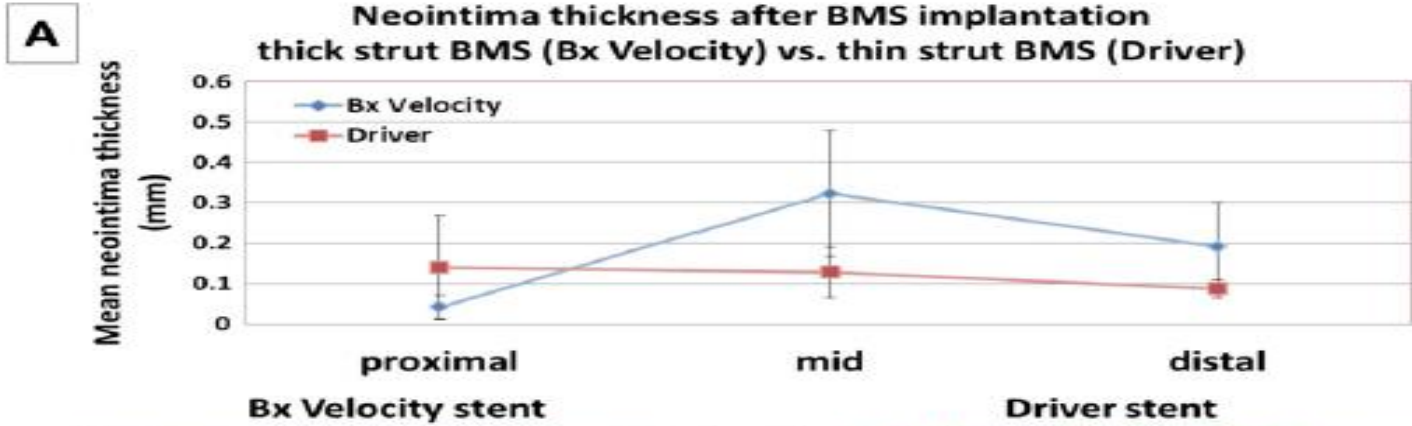
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# SFA Stent - 6. Strut (*width*)

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# SFA Stent - 6. Strut (Close/Semi-close/Open Cell)

LINC DEBAS

**SELF-EXPANDING NITINOL STENTS COMBINED WITH DCB**

**24-MONTH FOLLOW-UP OF THE DEBAS STUDY**

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Predilate lesion  
↓  
Implant SE Stent in diseased segment  
↓  
Deliver DCB to entire stented segment

Primary Patency	
6M	98%
1yr	94.1%
2yrs	88.2%

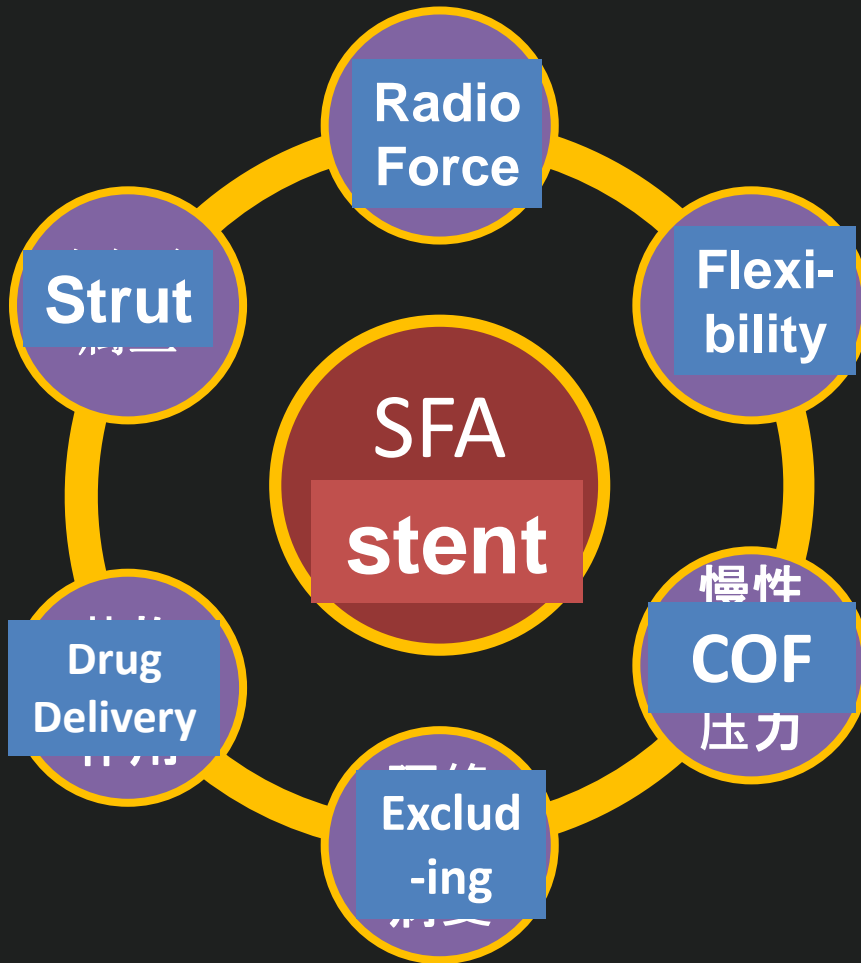
## BMS + DCB

### Drug Delivery

#### Touch Area

Product	Metal to artery ratio (wall coverage)
XACT	10.09%
Acculink	10.82%
Absolute pro	13.88%
Omnalink	13.6%
Herculink	10.4%
Xpert	11.8%

# SFA Stent - 6. Strut



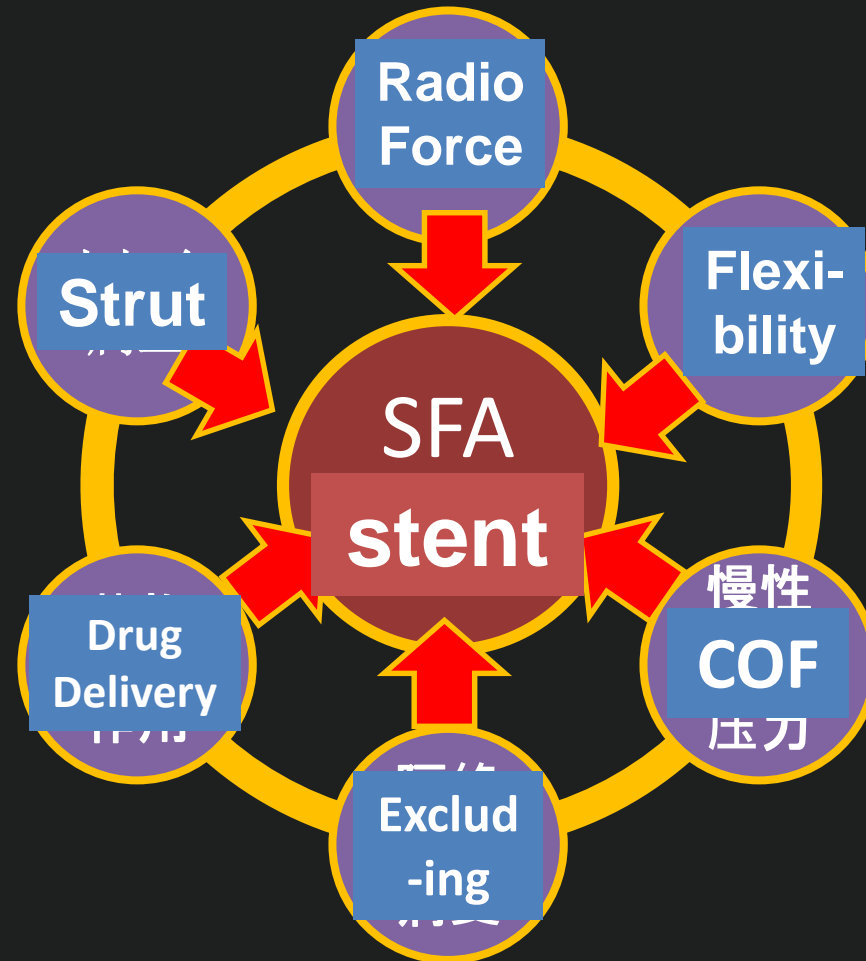
**Thin**

Thickness of Strut

**Small**

Metal wall Coverage

# What is Perfect SFA Stent



# Summary

- **Stent is necessary in complex SFA lesion**
- **SFA Stent needs to adapt native artery**
- **Design of stent is key to clinical outcome**
- **Better SFA stent is always needed**





Thank You



Better Endo, Better life