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**Superficial Femoral Artery Stents  
- Bare, Covered, or Drug-Coated –  
“*The Data and The HYPE*”**

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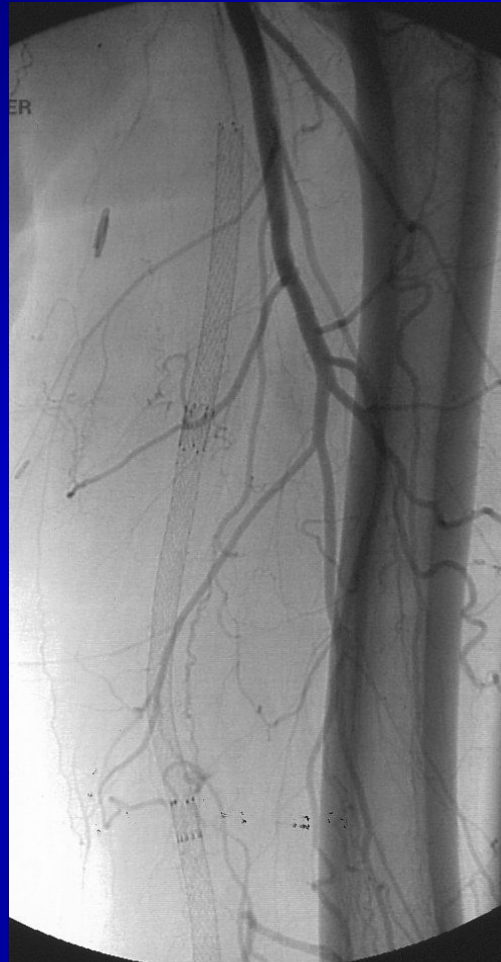
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# “The Most Common SFA Stents I’ve Seen”

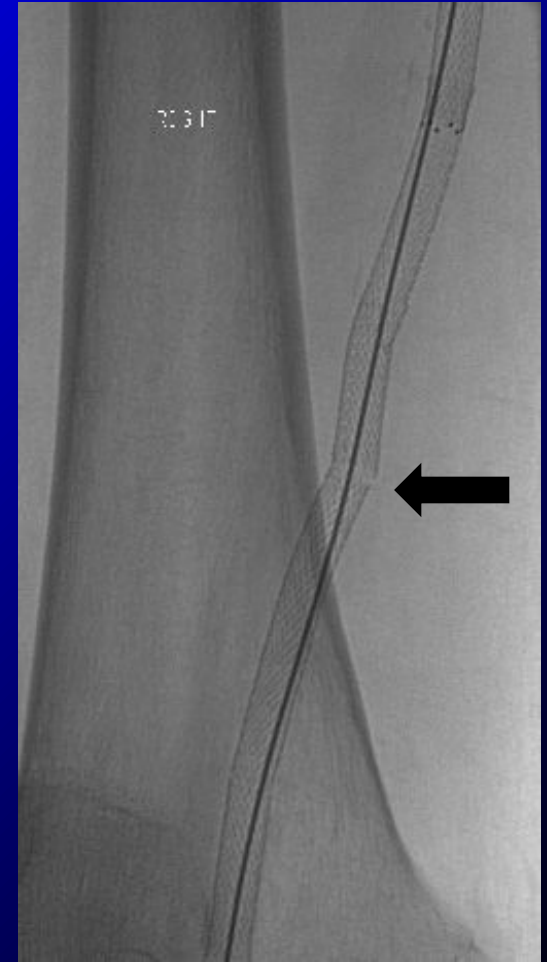
“Failing”



“Occluded”



“Occluded-Fractured”



# Role for SFA Stenting

## - Opinions from the Literature -

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- ❖ Justifiable for patients with critical limb ischemia or “high risk” for surgical bypass.
- ❖ To correct an anatomic/hemodynamic residual stenosis following balloon angioplasty
- ❖ As an adjunct with other procedures – subintimal angioplasty, athrectomy
- ❖ Inferior to surgical bypass for TASC C or D lesions

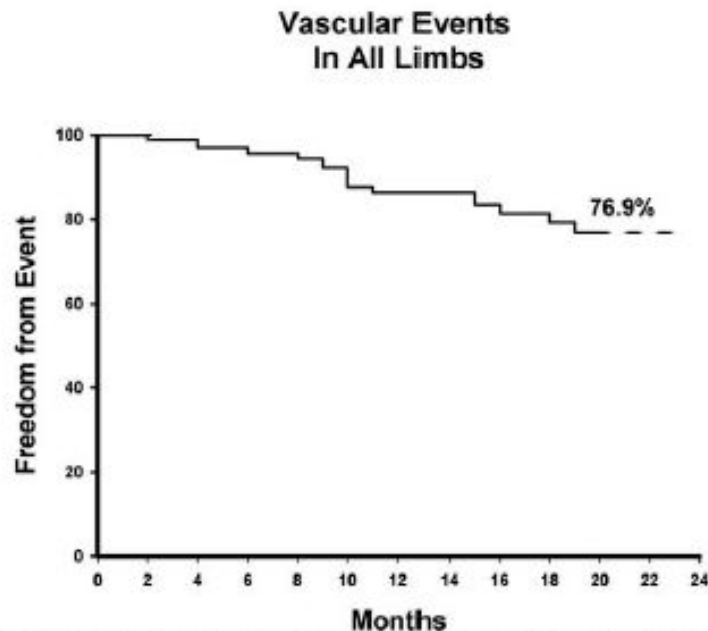
# Contemporary results of angioplasty-based infrainguinal percutaneous interventions

James H. Black, III, MD, Glenn M. LaMuraglia, MD, Christopher J. Kwolek, MD, David C. Brewster, MD, Michael T. Watkins, MD, and Richard P. Cambria, MD, *Boston, Mass*

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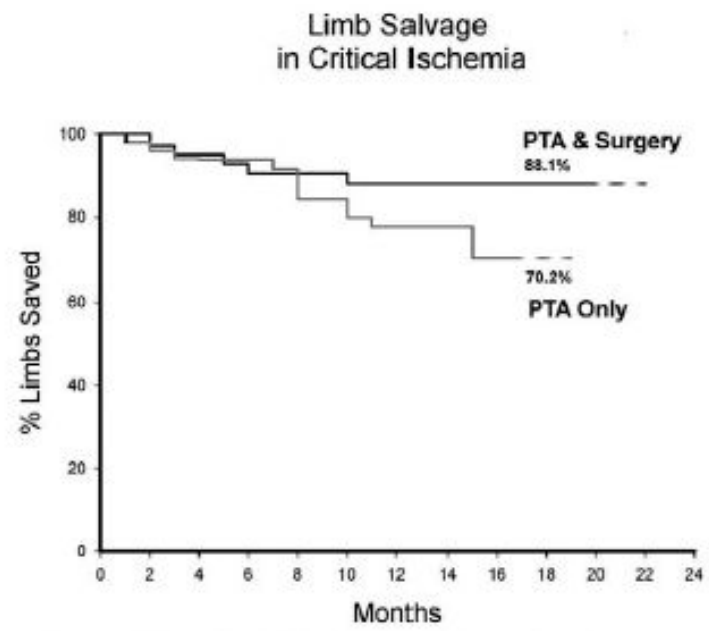
100 limbs in 95 consecutive patients

- 53% claudication
- only 1 stent implanted



No. at risk 100 99 93 90 84 84 78 75 67 41 35 20 13

Fig 1. Cumulative freedom from vascular events in percutaneous transluminal angioplasty (PTA) limbs, including avoidance of clinical category decrement, need for another PTA, or need for surgical bypass or major amputation. *Dashed line* indicates SE >10%.



No. at risk 49 47 43 38 38 35 32 21 14 13 10 6 3

Fig 2. Kaplan-Meier life table analysis of limb salvage in patients with initial presentations of clinical ischemia. *Dashed line* indicates SE >10%. PTA, Percutaneous transluminal angioplasty.

# Percutaneous angioplasty and stenting of the superficial femoral artery

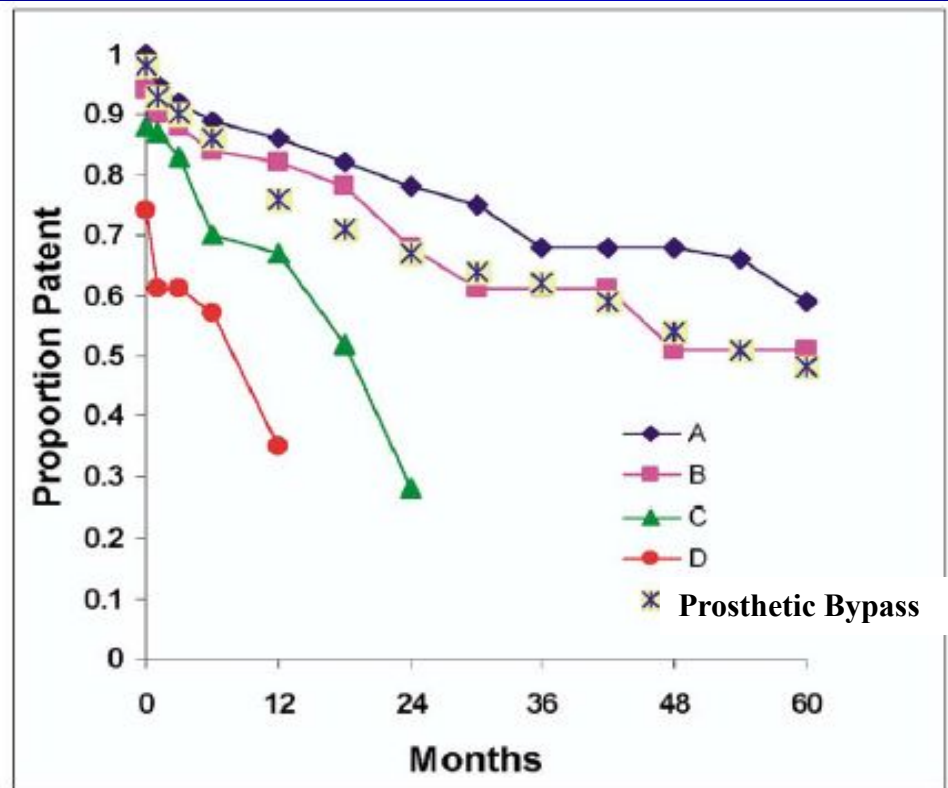
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## 380 Limbs in 329 Patients:

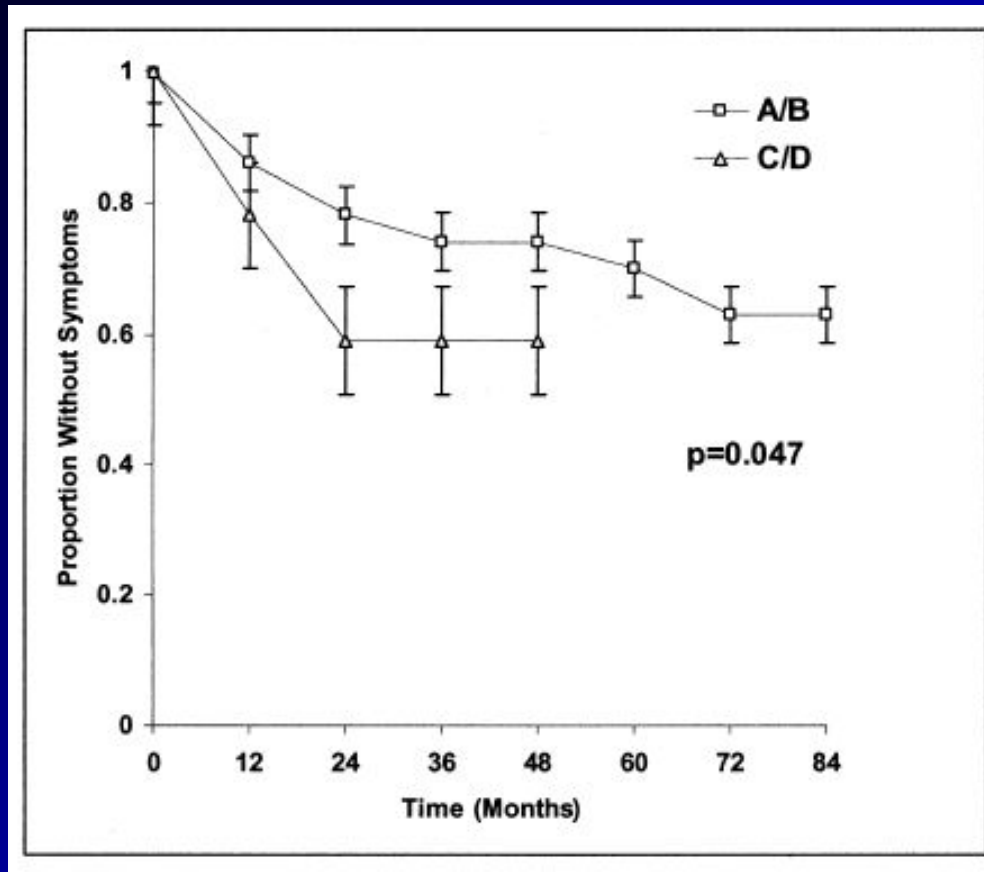
- 67% male
- 66% claudication
- TASC lesions
  - A: 48%
  - B: 18%
  - C: 22%
  - D: 12%

- Stents used in 37% of procedures
- Assisted primary patency not higher than primary patency



Lesion	0 Months	12 Months	24 Months	36 Months	48 Months	60 Months
A	180	100	64	43	31	17
B	83	26	10	7	5	5
C	69	16	2	1	0	
D	42	3	0			
P	350	180	129	97	70	50

# Freedom from Symptoms after PTA/stenting

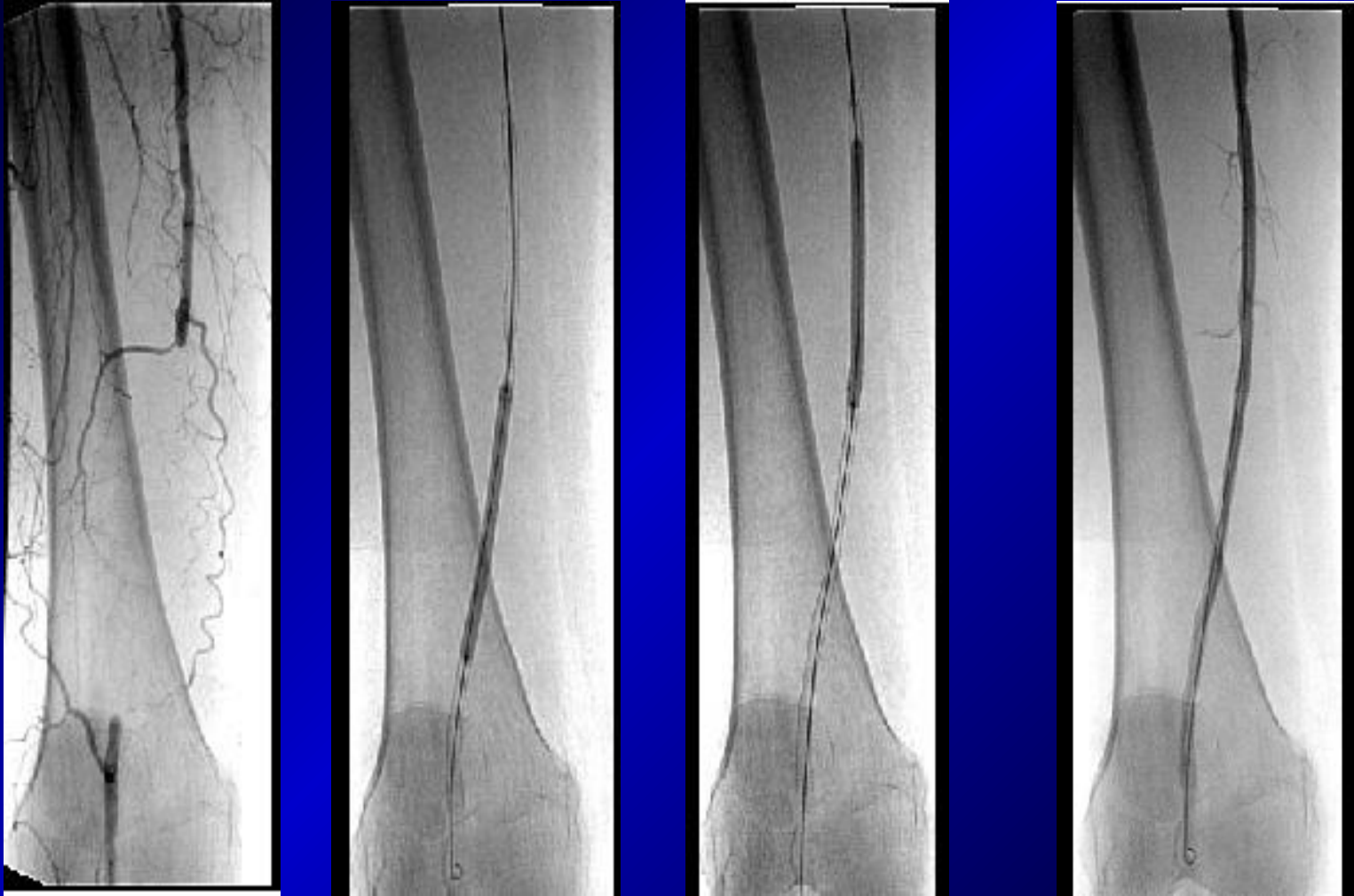


## CONCLUSIONS:

- High procedural success
- Improved ABI
- Patency dependent on lesions type
- Patency of TASC A & B lesions treated by PTA/S was similar to prosthetic bypass

# at risk	0 months	12 months	24 months	36 months	48 months	60 months	72 months	84 months
A/B	297	155	108	61	47	36	16	8
C/D	144	56	8	1	1			

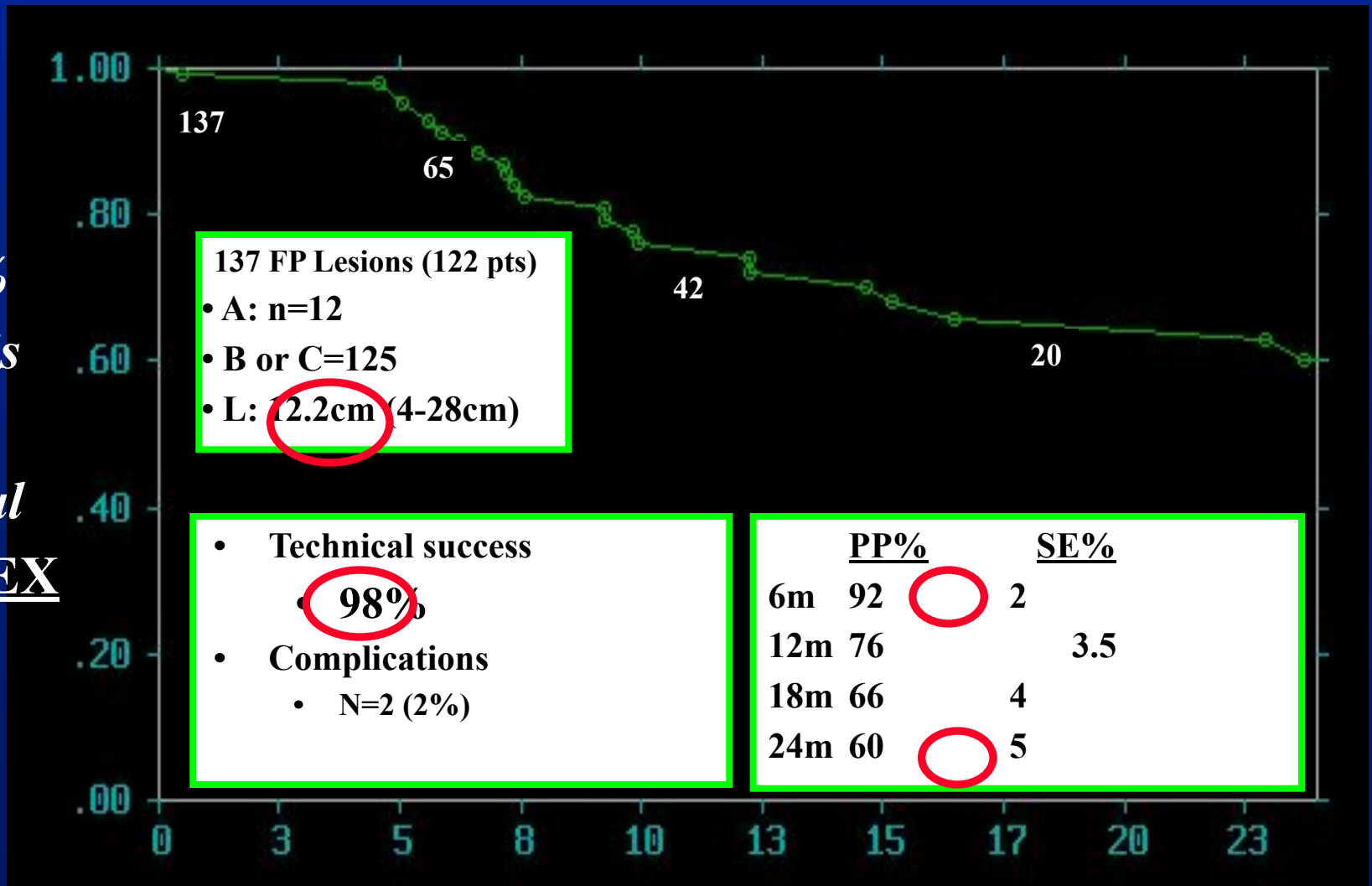
# *Primary Stenting Technique: TASC C - Occlusion*



**Mewissen MW. Self-Expanding nitinol stents in the FP segment: technique and mid-term results**  
*Techniques in Vascular and Interventional Radiology. 7(1): 2-5, 2004 Mar*

# Self-Expanding Nitinol Stents in the FP Segment: Technique and Mid-term Results

50-99%  
Stenosis  
Free  
Survival  
DUPLEX



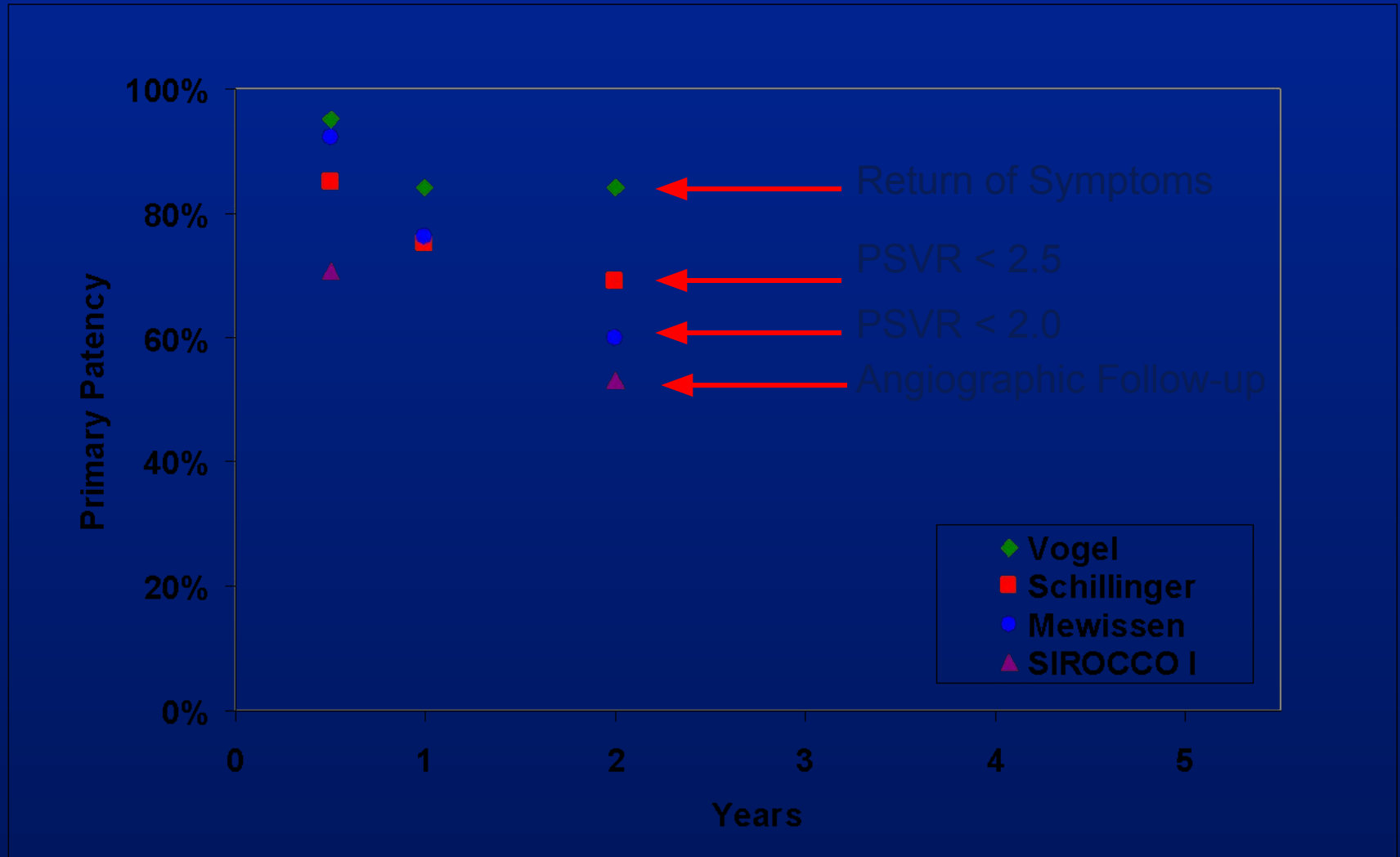


# Self-Expanding Nitinol Stents in the FP Segment: Technique and Mid-term Results

## *Conclusions*

- High Technical success, irrespective of TASC Grades
- Associated with clinical improvement
- Acute stent occlusion is rare (<1%)
- Excellent 6 mo. stenosis-free patency (92%)
- 76% and 60% primary hemodynamic patency at 1 and 2 years

# Nitinol Stent Patency Based on Outcome Criteria



# Nitinol Stent Primary Patency: All Data

Author	Year	# limbs	length (cm)	Primary Patency (years)									
				0.5	0.75	1	1.5	2	3	4	5		
Schillinger	2005		13	75%									
Kazemi	2005	69				76%							
Scheinert	2005	121	15.7			68%							
Ferreira	2005	63	15.7			67%							
BLASTER	2005	50			83%								
SIROCCO II	2005	28		92%	87%		82%						
Schillinger	2004	52	6	85%		75%		69%					
Haverizadeh	2004	163	17.8			61%							
Mewissen	2004	137	12.2	92%		76%		60%					
Vogel	2003	41	6.7	95%		84%		84%					
Peeters/Hendrix	2003	100	4.7			85%							
SIROCCO I	2002	18	8.5	71%				53%					
Jahnke	2002	40	3.6	97%		86%							
Henry	1996	45	4.5	89%		85%							
<b>Weighted Average</b>			<b>11.6</b>	90%	84%	<b>74%</b>		65%					

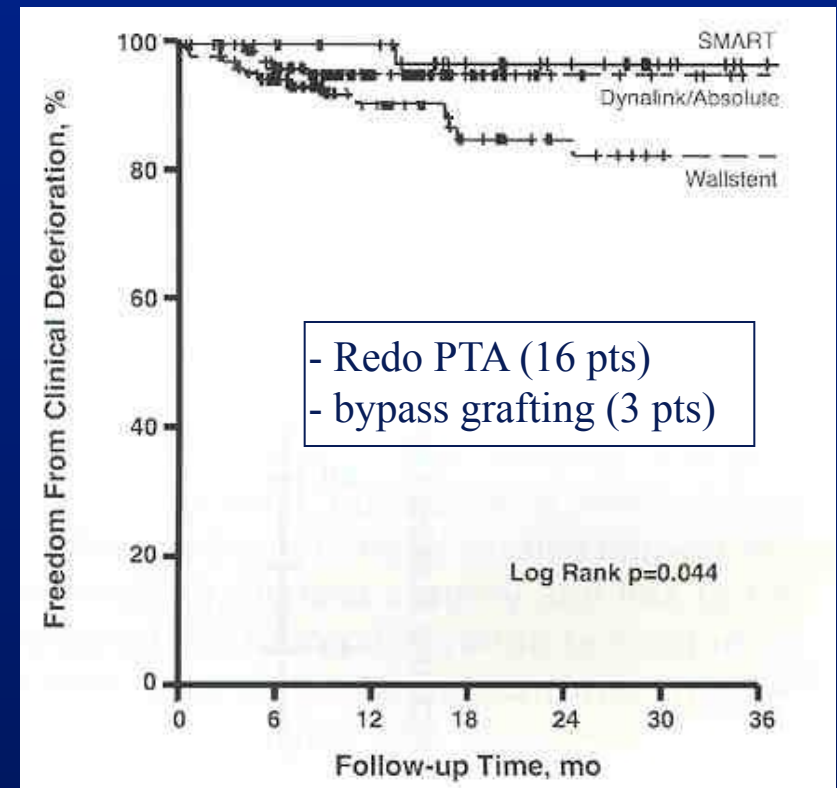
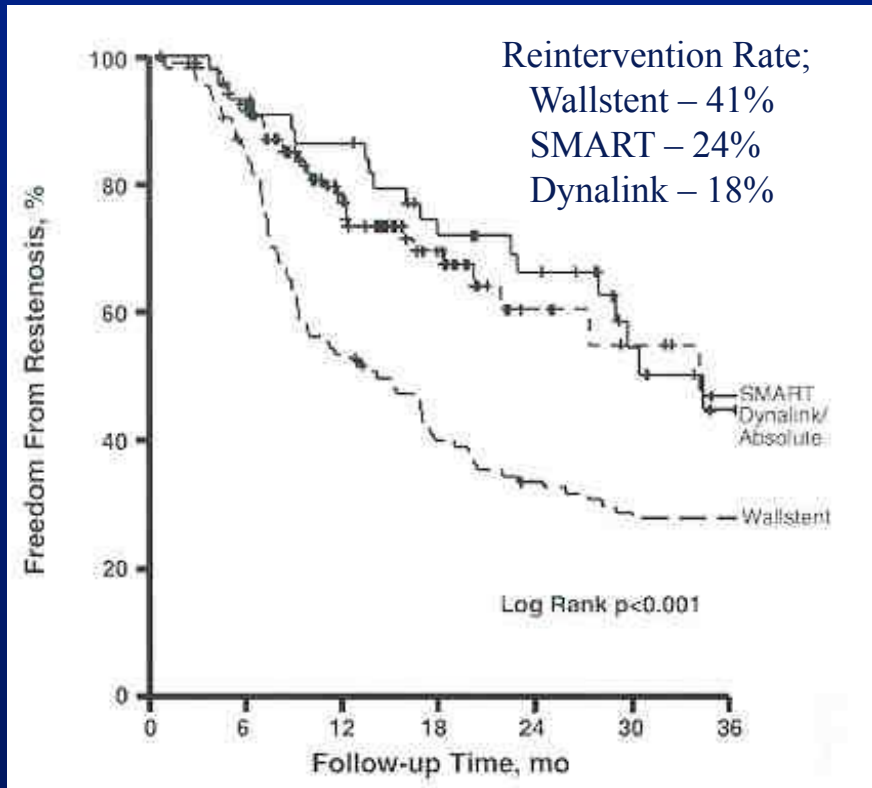
**primary PTA alone: < 5CM 58% 51%**

## J Endovasc Therapy – 2005 Schlager et al - Vienna

## Nonrandomized Comparison of 3 SFA Stents

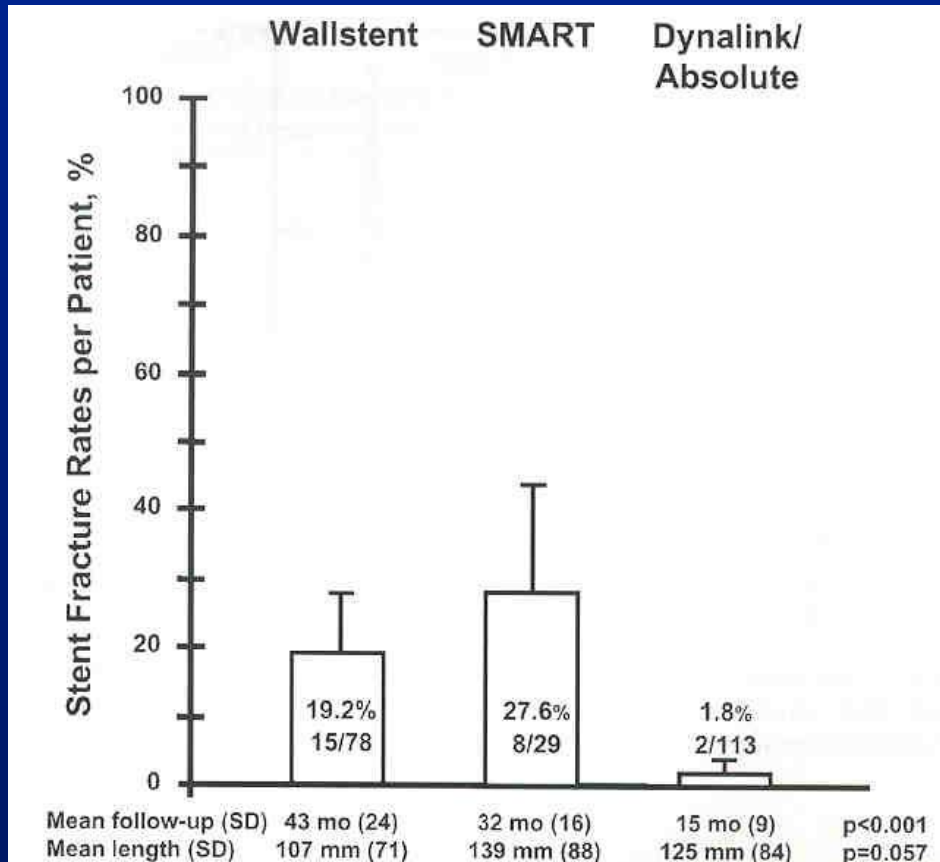
286 patients Rx: (1999-2004)

- 88% claudication
- stents (Wallstent, SMART, Dynalink) for suboptimal PTA
- mean stent length approx. 12 cm



# Incidence of Stent Fracture

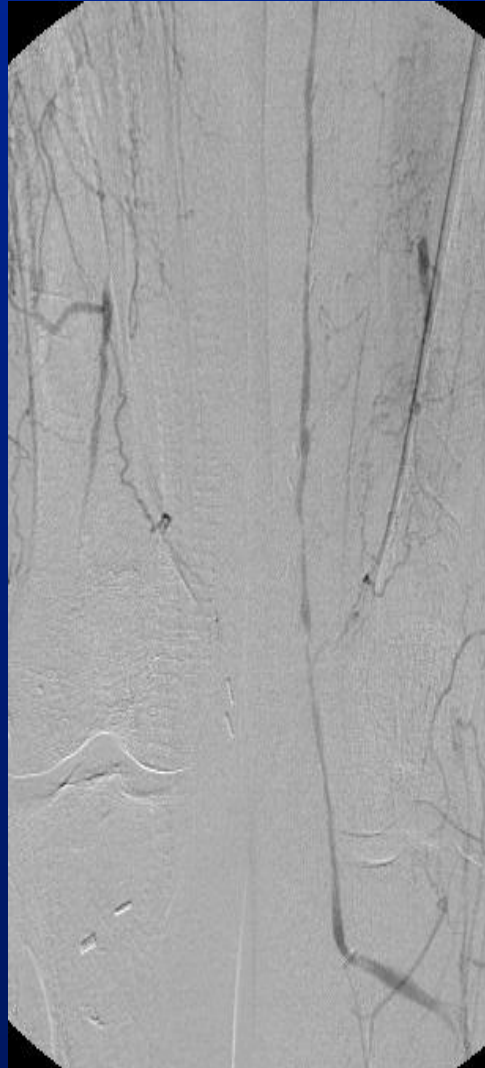
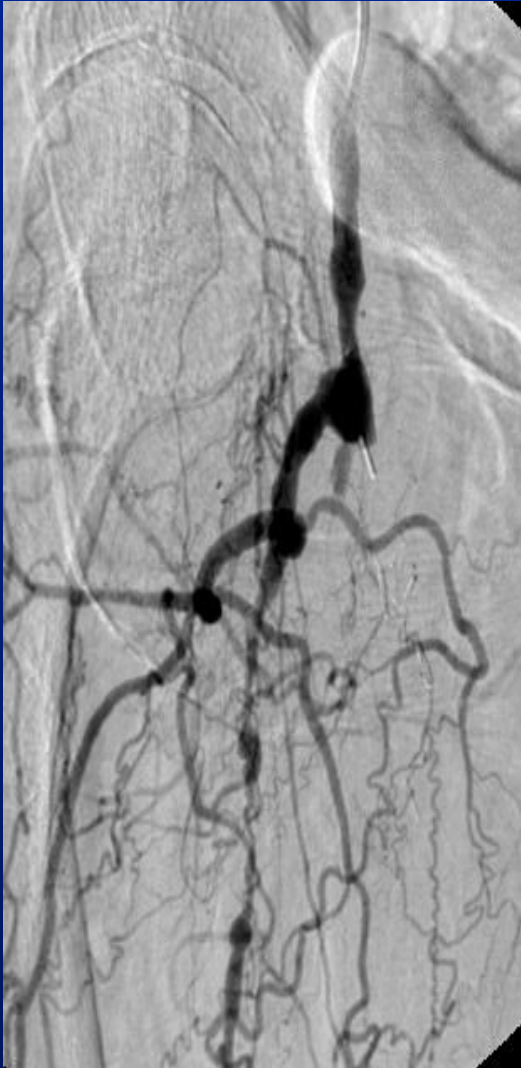
- mean 15 mo. FU



## Conclusions:

- nitinol stents outperformed Wallstents in SFA
- In-stent stenosis a common problem
- stent fracture related to length, stent type, and restenosis

# Case Presentation – Stent Surveillance



**01/04**

**76 YO IDDM**

- **Non-healing Rt foot ulcer**
- **prior infra-inguinal Bypass**
- **prior CABG X 2**

# Case Presentation

01/04

**Outback Re-entry**  
**Primary stenting**



# Case Presentation: PTA Surveillance

08/05

07/05

Duplex surveillance

- PSV > 300 cm/s

In-stent stenosis

Asymptomatic



Atherectomy



## Self-Expanding Nitinol Stents: Natural history in SFA

<u>N=121</u>	Primary Patency 12 Mo.	Stent FX X-Ray	FX /Stenosis
<b>SMART</b> <i>Cordis</i>	82%	15%	No
<b>SelfX</b> <i>Abbott</i>	44%	31%	Yes
<b>Luminexx</b> <i>Bard</i>	27%	52%	Yes

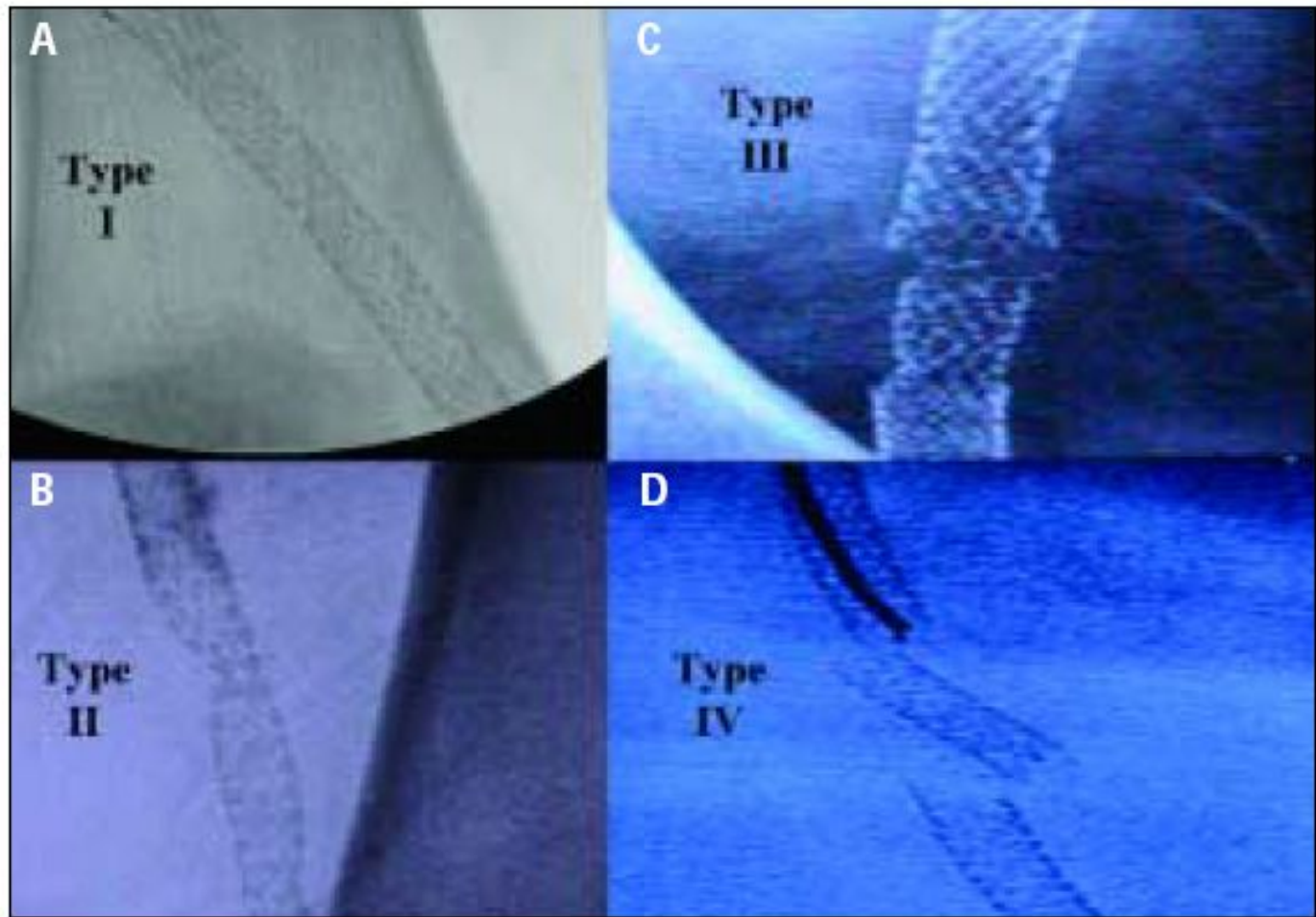


Figure 2. Nitinol stent fracture classification. Type I = a single strut fracture only (A). Type II = multiple single nitinol stent fractures that can occur at different sites (B). Type III = multiple nitinol stent fractures resulting in complete transverse linear fracture but without stent displacement (C). Type IV = a complete transverse linear type III fracture with stent displacement (D).

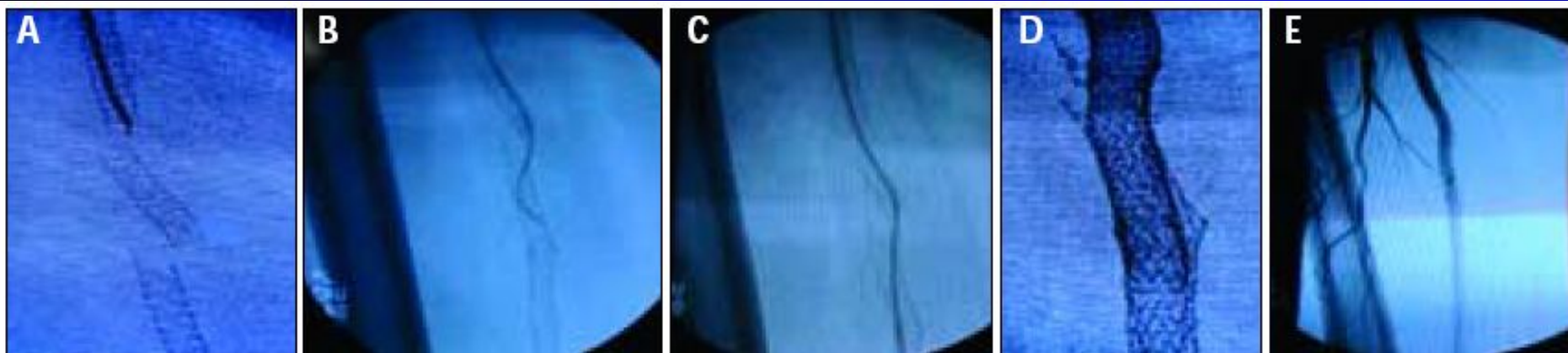


Figure 5. Symptomatic (occlusion) type IV nitinol stent fracture at 12 months after single SFA stent placement. This patient was a poor surgical candidate (A). All nitinol stent fracture elements are captured, realigned, and the occlusion crossed using a traditional Glidewire and 5-F angled Glide catheter (Terumo Medical Corporation, Somerset, NJ) (B, C). PTA and placement of a second nitinol stent (stent sandwich) were initially performed. Definitive endovascular treatment required a 6-mm Viabahn covered stent. Note the extraluminal migration of the nitinol stent fracture elements (D, E). The patient remained asymptomatic at 10 months.

**TABLE 1. NITINOL STENT FRACTURE ANALYSIS BY CLINICAL OUTCOMES**

Nitinol Stent Fracture Classification With Angiographic Stenosis						
Classification	N = 72	%	<50%	>50%	Occlusion	Symptomatic (%)
I	27	37.5	10	15	2	7 (26)
II	32	44.4	6	21	5	15 (47)
III	11	15.2		7	4	9 (82)
IV	2	2.7			1	2 (100)*

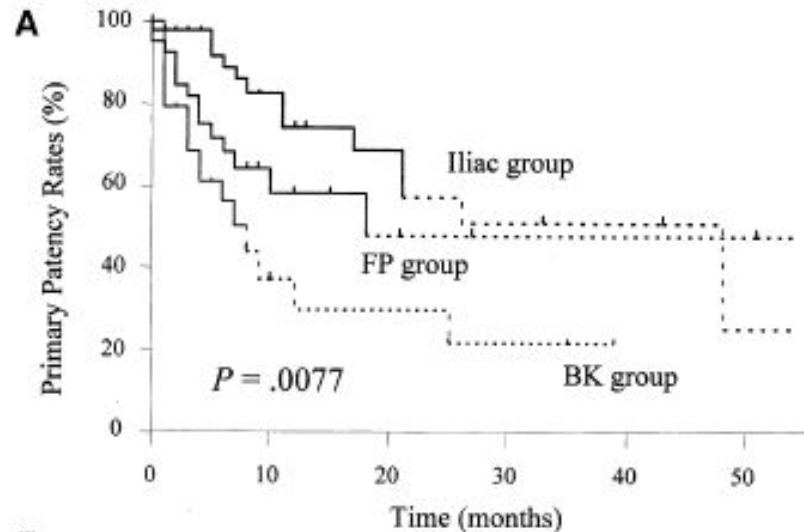
\*1 pseudoaneurysm.

# The effectiveness of percutaneous transluminal angioplasty for the treatment of critical limb ischemia: A 10-year experience

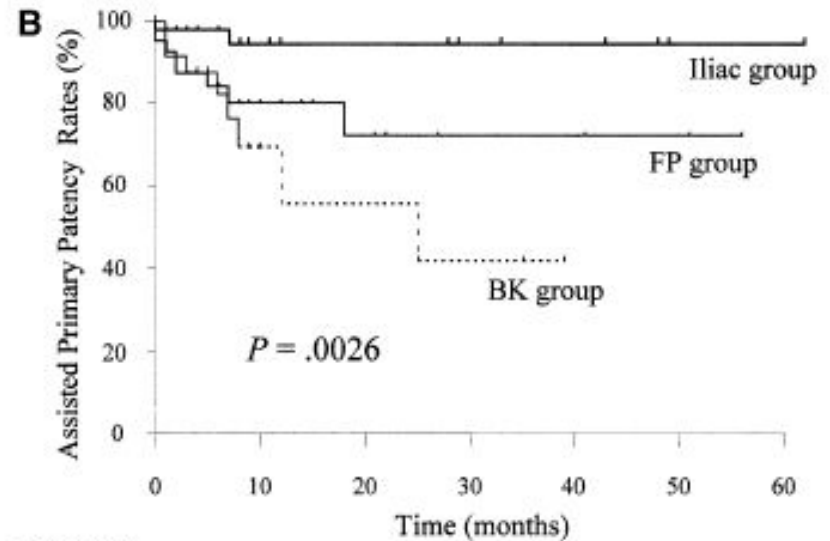
Toshifumi Kudo, MD, PhD, Fiona A. Chandra, and Samuel S. Ahn, MD, Los Angeles, Calif

## Conclusions:

- PTA/stent has a role in CLI
- 77% 3-yr limb salvage
- duplex surveillance with re-PTA was effective



Group	Time (months)	0	10	20	30	40	50
Iliac group	At risk	45	21	12	5	4	1
	S.E.	.021	.066	.091	.11	.11	.19
FP group	At risk	41	11	4	2	2	2
	S.E.	.024	.083	.012	.12	.12	.12
BK group	At risk	52	6	4	2		
	S.E.	.000	.10	.11	.11		

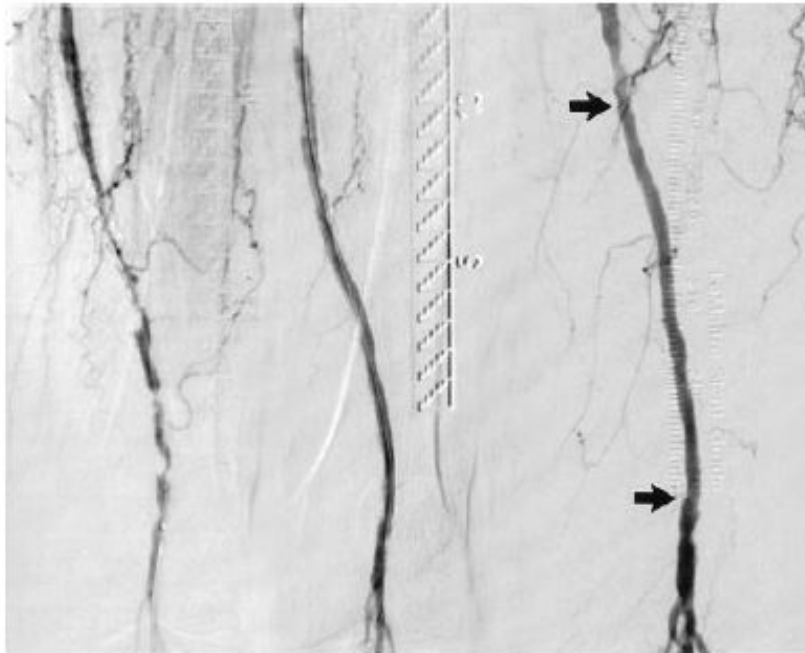


Group	Time (months)	0	10	20	30	40	50	60
Iliac group	At risk	45	20	15	9	8	4	4
	S.E.	.021	.036	.036	.036	.036	.036	.036
FP group	At risk	41	15	8	4	4	3	0
	S.E.	.024	.068	.098	.098	.098	.098	
BK group	At risk	52	7	4	2	0		
	S.E.	.000	.10	.15	.16			

# Sirolimus-Eluting Stents for the Treatment of Obstructive Superficial Femoral Artery Disease

## Six-Month Results

Stephan H. Duda, MD; Benjamin Pusich, MD; Goetz Richter, MD; Peter Landwehr, MD; Vincent L. Oliva, MD; Alexander Tielbeek, MD; Benjamin Wiesinger, MD; Jan Bart Hak, PhD; Hans Tielemans; Gerhard Ziemer, MD; Ecatarina Cristea, MD; Alexandra Lansky, MD; Jean P. Bérègi, MD



Data for a 77-year-old patient with intermittent claudication. A, Intraarterial digital subtraction angiogram before treatment shows high-grade stenosis of the distal superficial femoral artery (length, 7 cm). B, After implantation of the sirolimus-eluting SMART nitinol stent, restoration of patency can be seen. C, After 6 months, no intimal hyperplasia is evident inside the stent or at the stent edges (arrows denote beginning and end of stent). There is mild restenosis proximal to the treated segment.

## Scirocco II Trail

- 57 patients
- 59 lesions randomized
- Quantitative angiography found no significant differences
- 6-mo follow-up

## SFA Stents - Conclusions

- Better initial PTA results with nitinol stenting
- Mid-term patency similar due to in-stent stenosis
- Stent-graft patency may be better for long >15 cm lesions/occlusions
- Patency similar for drug-eluting stents (to date)
- No evidence that PTA-stenosis should be treated by routine stenting

