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METHODS

Risk at Randomization Score

A risk at randomization (RAR) score was calculated for each of the 1212 patients using an equation derived in an independent dataset from multiple variables with known power to predict 5-year risk of death without CABG [1]. Three Duke Databank for Cardiovascular Diseases CAD prognosis publications [2-4] identified candidate variables that were used to create a Cox multivariable regression equation predictive of time to death in 821 patients in the Duke Databank for Cardiovascular Diseases who fulfilled enrollment criteria for STICH but were not enrolled in the trial. Prognostic baseline clinical variables in descending order of importance for predicting time to death in this cohort over a mean follow-up of 5 years were age, renal disease (creatinine $\geq 1.5 \text{ mg/dl}$), heart failure, ejection fraction, Duke CAD index, mitral insufficiency, and cerebrovascular disease (Table S1). Individual STICH patient baseline values for these variables entered into the multivariable equation produced a predicted 5-year probability of death for each STICH patient if treated medically that ranged from 0.184 to 0.989 [1].

Imaging to Assess Myocardial Viability

In the initial design of the STICH Trial, implemented in 2002, viability testing with SPECT was required for patient enrollment [5]. However, this proved to be too complex for many sites and was an impediment to enrollment. The protocol was subsequently revised in 2004 to make viability testing optional using either SPECT or dobutamine echocardiography (DE), depending on the availability of the techniques and expertise at each recruiting center. Contributing sites were strongly encouraged to obtain viability tests in every patient, but the decision to perform the test was left up to the recruiting investigators.

Of the 1212 randomized patients, 618 (51%) underwent imaging to assess myocardial viability using either SPECT or DE. Nine patients in whom the viability test was performed greater than 90 days before or after randomization were excluded from analysis, another 6 patients were excluded because of poor image quality, and 2 additional patients were excluded in whom the viability test was performed after CABG. Thus, viability data in 601 of the 1212 randomized patients (49.6%) form the basis of this report. This includes 471 patients studied by SPECT and 280 by DE, of whom 150 were studied by both methods. The viability test was performed before randomization in 170 patients, on the day of randomization in 69 patients, and after randomization in 362 patients. Those with a viability test after randomization in the surgical arm all had viability testing performed before surgery. The trial protocol was approved by the ethics committee at each

enrolling center. All patients provided written informed consent

Independently funded core laboratories [6] blinded to patient details and treatment assignment coordinated data collection and analysis for the SPECT and DE studies. Thresholds of dysfunctional but viable myocardium by SPECT and DE were pre-specified to identify patients with and without substantial myocardial viability. These prespecified analytic methods were approved by the STICH Data and Safety Monitoring Committee. Core laboratory measurements were submitted to the Duke Clinical Research Institute which performed all statistical analyses.

Single photon emission computed tomography. Four different clinically validated SPECT protocols for assessing myocardial viability were permitted at the enrolling sites. These included thallium imaging using a rest-redistribution or stress-rest-reinjection protocol [7], restredistribution thallium imaging as part of a dual isotope protocol with a technetium-99m perfusion tracer [8], or imaging with a technetium-99m tracer at rest after the administration of nitroglycerin [9]. Images were stored digitally and sent to the STICH Radionuclide Core Laboratory at Northwestern University for analysis. Core laboratory measurement of regional tracer activity was performed on all SPECT studies using a 17 segment model of the left ventricle [10]. A myocardial segment was deemed viable if the tracer activity was $\geq 50\%$ of the activity in the segment with maximal activity. For thallium rest-redistribution imaging, a segment with activity <50% of the maximal myocardial activity on the redistribution images was also defined as viable if the improvement in activity from the rest to redistribution images was $\geq 12\%$. Myocardial viability on a per-patient basis was prospectively defined as the presence of ≥ 11 viable segments ($\geq 65\%$ of the entire left ventricle). When ≥ 7 segments were nonviable ($\geq 41\%$ of the left ventricle), the patient was considered to have insufficient mass of viable myocardium. This threshold was selected based on previous retrospective data indicating that the likelihood for functional improvement after CABG is low when >40% of the left ventricular (LV) myocardium is nonviable [11].

Dobutamine echocardiography. Following standard procedures, two-dimensional echocardiographic images were obtained at rest and during incrementally higher doses of dobutamine starting at 5 μ g/kg/min and increasing to 10, 20, 30 and 40 μ g/kg/min in 3-5 minute stages. The core laboratory divided the left ventricle into 16 segments according to the recommendations of the American Society of Echocardiography [12]. Segments with baseline hypokinesia, akinesia or dyskinesia were considered dysfunctional. Dysfunctional segments were considered viable when demonstrating with incremental doses of dobutamine a biphasic response (improvement at lower doses followed by worsening of contraction at higher doses), sustained

improvement (improvement at lower doses without worsening at higher doses), or worsening contractility (only applicable to segments with resting hypokinesis). Dysfunctional segments without appreciable change in contraction during dobutamine infusion were considered not viable. Viability on a per-patient basis was prospectively defined as the presence of contractile reserve in ≥ 5 of the dysfunctional segments. Previous retrospective studies reporting the association between contractile reserve and survival after revascularization support this threshold [13,14].

Patients studied with both SPECT and dobutamine echocardiography. Both SPECT and DE were performed in 150 patients. Based on the thresholds defined above, when both tests demonstrated viability, the sum of SPECT plus echocardiography scores was ≥ 16 viable segments; when both tests demonstrated nonviability, the sum was <16. This threshold was then applied for those with discordant results between the two tests; the SPECT viability score and DE viability score were added together, and patients were considered to have viable myocardium when the total segment score was ≥ 16 .

Comparison of SPECT and dobutamine echocardiography methodologies. SPECT and DE differ fundamentally in the information they provide regarding the presence and extent of viable myocardium. Retention of SPECT tracers in the myocardium provides information regarding intact cellular membrane activity [7], whereas DE establishes evidence of viability in dysfunctional regions of the left ventricle by eliciting contractile reserve [13,14]. The methods also differ with respect to the paths taken by previous investigators to establish the standard analytic approaches. A strength of the DE method is direct visualization of the regions with contractile dysfunction and assessment of their response to inotropic stimulation, and this has been the basis for numerous studies reporting improved survival in patients with contractile reserve who undergo CABG compared to medical management [13-24]. In contrast, SPECT is much less amenable to assessing viability within dysfunctional zones because of its lower spatial resolution and has been reported to have prognostic power in its assessment of the amount of overall viable versus nonviable tissue. This global method is the basis for 13 of the 14 previous SPECT studies reporting that patients with viable myocardium have a survival advantage with CABG compared to medical therapy alone [25-38]. Because of the challenges in combining both SPECT and DE data in this paper, we report the relationship of myocardial viability and outcomes using the combined approach noted above and also for each imaging method individually.

Analytic Methods

The examination of the association between myocardial viability and outcome relative to

treatment assignment (intention to treat) was performed using three separate pre-specified analyses. In the first and primary analysis, patients were subgrouped according to the prespecified definitions for myocardial viability noted previously. Recognizing the potential limitations of this approach, which has never been tested in a prospective trial, we also performed two other separate analyses. In the second analysis, patients were subdivided according to the median viability score for SPECT or DE (or for the combined score in those with both tests). In the third analysis, both the SPECT viability scores and the DE scores were analyzed as continuous rather than dichotomous variables. In each case, the interaction between viability status and treatment effect on outcome was tested using the Cox model.

RESULTS

Baseline Characteristics

Comparison of the 601 patients with an acceptable viability test with the other 611 patients enrolled in Hypothesis 1 of the STICH trial is shown in Table S2. Patients with viability tests had evidence of more severe LV dysfunction, with lower LV ejection fractions and greater enddiastolic and end-systolic volume indexes. In keeping with this finding, patients undergoing testing had a higher prevalence of prior myocardial infarction, had more frequently undergone prior percutaneous coronary interventions, and were more frequently treated with beta blockers, angiotensin-converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors/angiotensin receptor blockers, statins and aspirin. Patients undergoing viability testing had less severe Canadian Cardiovascular Society angina class. Patients undergoing testing also differed by race/ethnicity, with fewer Asian patients studied (reflecting enrollment in India). However, the two groups did not differ with respect to the RAR score, which incorporates many comorbidities, as noted above.

The median time (25th, 75th percentile) between viability testing and randomization was 5 days (2,11) for the SPECT studies and 4 days (1,7) for the DE studies. Viability testing was performed before randomization in 170 patients, on the day of randomization in 69 patients, and after the day of randomization in 362 patients. Baseline characteristics of these patients are presented in Table S3, in which patients tested on the day of randomization are combined with those tested after randomization. A slightly higher proportion of patients studied on the day of or after randomization were assigned to CABG than those studied before randomization. It is conceivable that, for patients studied after randomization, the decision to obtain a viability test could have been based on knowledge of the treatment assignment. However, the difference in assignment of those tested before versus after randomization was not statistically significant.

Furthermore, this difference seems likely to be the result of chance variation, because overall, patients in the trial were randomly allocated to the treatment arms in equal proportions. Subsequent crossover rates within the first year of randomization were not related to timing of viability testing relative to randomization.

As noted previously, viability testing was performed using SPECT in 471 patients and using DE in 280 patients, with 150 patients studied by both methods. The method of testing did not differ between patients assigned to CABG and those assigned to medical therapy (Table S4). As indicated in Table S4, of the 601 patients with viability tests, 298 were assigned to CABG and 303 were assigned to medical therapy alone. These groups were well matched, with no significant differences in baseline characteristics. The mean age was 60.7±9.4 years, and 521 (87%) were men. Eighty percent of patients had a previous myocardial infarction, and the mean LV ejection fraction was 26.7±8.6%. The population had substantial CAD; 73% had 2 or more major coronary arteries with 75% or greater stenosis, and 65% had a 75% or greater stenosis of the proximal left anterior descending coronary artery. Symptomatic heart failure within 3 months of randomization was present in 96%, with 362 patients (60%) having New York Heart Association (NHYA) class III or IV heart failure. Medical therapy for CAD and heart failure at enrollment was excellent, with 92% receiving an angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor or angiotensin-receptor blocking agent, 89% a beta blocker, 85% aspirin, and 85% a statin agent. These high rates of treatment continued throughout the trial [6].

The viability tests identified 487 patients with myocardial viability using the pre-specified SPECT and DE criteria (Table S5). Patients with viable myocardium had fewer previous myocardial infarctions but a greater prevalence of diabetes and hypertension. The RAR score did not differ between the two groups. However, patients with viable myocardium had significantly higher LV ejection fractions and smaller end-diastolic and end-systolic volume indices than those without viable myocardium. The propensity model identified higher ejection fraction (p<0.0001), fewer prior myocardial infarctions (p<0.0001), higher systolic blood pressure (p=0.001), and diabetes (p=0.007) as significant variables associated with the presence of viable myocardium. There were also insignificant trends indicating, for the group, less severe heart failure symptoms and less severe angina in patients with myocardial viability. Baseline characteristics of patients who underwent viability testing according to treatment assignment are presented in Tables 1 and S6.

Outcomes

There were 236 total deaths in the 601 patient population (39% mortality) over a median follow up period of 5.1 years. Patients with myocardial viability had lower overall mortality rates than those without viable myocardium (HR 0.64; 95% CI 0.48,0.86; p=0.003). Several other clinical variables known to be associated with mortality, including LV ejection fraction, end-diastolic volume index, end-systolic volume index, and the RAR score all were more significantly associated with mortality status (Table S7). After adjustment for other significant baseline prognostic variables in a multivariable model, the pre-specified viability status was no longer significantly associated with mortality (Table S8). Similar trends were observed when outcome was assessed for SPECT data alone or DE data alone (Table S8).

Patients with myocardial viability also had lower rates of the secondary endpoints of cardiovascular mortality (HR 0.61; 95% CI 0.44,0.84; p=003) and mortality plus cardiovascular hospitalization (HR 0.59; 95% CI 0.47,0.74; p<001), as shown in Figure S1. The relationship with cardiovascular mortality was nonsignificant when subjected to multivariable analysis (p=0.339) but remained significant for mortality plus cardiovascular hospitalization (p=0.003).

Further analyses based on the subgrouping of patients according to the median values of viability scores or based on analysis of the viability score as a continuous variable revealed similar trends but with less significant results than those obtained using the pre-specified viability analysis described above. These analyses revealed no significant interaction between myocardial viability and assignment to CABG or medical therapy related to mortality, whether examined for all patients with viability tests, those with SPECT data alone, or those with DE data alone.

Secondary outcomes. As shown in Table S9, no significant interaction was observed between viability status and treatment assignment for the secondary outcomes of cardiovascular mortality (p=0.697) or mortality plus cardiovascular hospitalization (p=0.390).

Analysis based on treatment received. Of the 601 patients with viability tests, 31 of the 303 (10.2%) patients assigned to medical therapy crossed over to CABG within 12 months of randomization, and 19 of the 298 (6.4%) patients assigned to CABG did not undergo CABG. Thus, within 12 months after randomization, 310 (51.6%) patients actually received CABG plus medical therapy while the other 291 (48.4%) patients received medical therapy only. To assess the influence of myocardial viability on outcome based on actual treatment received, the analyses described above were repeated based on the treatment received (Figure S3). There was no significant interaction between viability and treatment with respect to mortality (p=0.962).

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Figure S1. Kaplan-Meier event rate curves for rates of cardiovascular mortality and combined rates of mortality plus cardiovascular hospitalization in patients with viable myocardium and patients without viable myocardium.



Figure S2. Kaplan-Meier event curves for rates of mortality plus cardiovascular hospitalization and CABG:MED hazard ratios by randomized treatment in patients with and without myocardial viability according to randomized treatment. CABG = coronary artery bypass graft surgery; MED = medical therapy alone.



Figure S3. Kaplan-Meier event curves for rates of overall mortality and CABG:MED hazard ratios according to treatment received in patients with and without myocardial viability,.

Variable	Parameter estimate	Standard error	Chi- square	P value	Hazard Ratio	Variable definition
Age	0.27836	0.04339	41.1562	<0.001	1.321	Years (HR by 10 yrs)
Renal disease	1.27632	0.26594	23.0321	<0.001	3.583	Creatinine ≥1.5 mg/dl
Heart failure	0.10669	0.02768	14.8579	<0.001	1.113	NYHA functional class
Ejection fraction	-0.11904	0.03190	13.9255	<0.001	0.888	Percent (HR per 5)
CAD index	0.00582	0.00184	10.0175	0.002	1.006	0–100
Mitral regurgitation	0.10521	0.03559	8.7393	0.003	1.111	0 (none) to 4+(severe)
History of CVD	0.26897	0.10504	6.5565	0.015	1.309	Stroke or equivalent

Table S1. Significant covariates in the Risk at Randomization Multivariable Model

CAD = coronary artery disease; CVD = cerebrovascular disease; NYHA = New York Heart Association

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All patients	Patients with	Patients without	Dyalua
(n=1212)	a viability test	a viability test	P value
60.3 ± 9.3	60.7 ± 9.4	59.9 ± 9.2	0.113
1064 (87.7)	521 (86.7)	543 (88.9)	0.246
			< 0.001
827 (68.2)	496 (82.5)	331 (54.2)	
31 (2.6)	18 (3.0)	13 (2.1)	
209 (17.2)	29 (4.8)	180 (29.5)	
141 (11.6)	54 (9.0)	87 (14.2)	
4 (0.3)	4 (0.7)	0 (0.0)	
934 (77.1)	481 (80.0)	453 (74.1)	0.015
478 (39.4)	224 (37.3)	254 (41.6)	0.126
92 (7.6)	53 (8.8)	39 (6.4)	0.109
728 (60.1)	363 (60.4)	365 (59.7)	0.814
730 (60.3)	403 (67.3)	327 (53.5)	<0.001
252 (20.8)	126 (21.0)	126 (20.7)	0.895
94 (7.8)	43 (7.2)	51 (8.3)	0.443
153 (12.6)	90 (15.0)	63 (10.3)	0.015
184 (15.2)	91 (15.1)	93 (15.2)	0.969
12.7 ± 8.8	12.5 ± 8.8	12.9 ± 8.8	0.311
36 (3.0)	16 (2.7)	20 (3.3)	0.531
35 (97.2)	15 (93.8)	20 (100)	0.444
29 (80.6)	14 (87.5)	15 (75.0)	0.426
156 (12.9)	104 (17.3)	52 (8.5)	<0.001
29 (2.4)	16 (2.7)	13 (2.1)	0.543
	40 (0.0)	10 (0.1)	0.416
25 (2.1)	12 (2.0)	13 (2.1)	
282 (23.2)	152 (25.3)	130 (21.3)	
462 (38.2)	221 (36.8)	241 (39.4)	
442 (36.5)	215 (35.8)	227 (37.2)	0.010
826 (68.2)	389 (64.8)	437 (71.5)	0.012
32 (2.0)	14 (2.3)	16 (2.9))	0.506
			0.023
442 (36.5)	236 (39.3)	206 (33.7)	
187 (15.4)	94 (15.6)	93 (15.2)	
525 (43.3)	253 (42.1)	272 (44.5)	
48 (4.0)	14 (2.3)	34 (5.6)	
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Table S2. Baseline characteristics of patients with and without testing of myocardial viability

Medications at baseline, no. (%)				
Beta blocker	1036 (85.5)	534 (88.9)	502 (82.2)	<0.001
ACE inhibitor	996 (82.2)	514 (85.5)	482 (78.9)	0.002
Angiotensin receptor blocker	115 (9.5)	46 (7.7)	69 (11.3)	0.031
ACE inhibitor or ARB	1085 (89.5)	554 (92.2)	531 (86.9)	0.003
Statin	983 (81.1)	508 (84.5)	475 (77.7)	0.003
Aspirin	1002 (82.7)	513 (85.4)	489 (80.0)	0.014
Digoxin	245 (20.2)	109 (18.1)	136 (22.3)	0.074
Blood pressure, mean \pm SD				
Systolic (mmHg)	121.2 ± 17.5	119.8 ± 17.3	122.5 ± 17.7	0.003
Diastolic (mmHg)	75.5 ± 11.0	74.7 ± 10.7	76.3 ± 11.3	0.022
Heart rate, mean ± SD	74.9 ± 14.7	73.3 ± 12.9	76.4 ± 16.1	<0.001
LV ejection fraction, mean ± SD	0.279 ± 0.087	0.267 ± 0.086	0.290 ± 0.086	<0.001
LVEDVI (ml/m2), mean ± SD	117.6 ± 39.2	122.8 ± 41.9	110.4 ± 33.9	<0.001
LVESVI (ml/m2), mean ± SD	85.5 ± 36.2	91.7 ± 38.9	78.6 ± 31.6	<0.001
Hemoglobin (g/dL), mean ± SD	13.8 ± 1.7	13.9 ± 1.7	13.6 ± 1.8	0.005
Creatinine (mg/dL), mean ± SD	1.2 ± 0.6	1.2 ± 0.7	1.2 ± 0.5	0.004
BUN (mg/dL), mean ± SD	29.3 ± 21.2	29.2 ± 19.7	29.5 ± 22.3	0.980

*Although some patients had no coronary artery stenosis \geq 75%, all patients had a coronary artery with stenosis \geq 50%.

ACE = angiotensin converting enzyme; ARB = angiotensin receptor blocker; BUN = blood urea nitrogen; CABG = coronary artery bypass graft surgery; CAD = coronary artery disease; EDVI = end-diastolic volume index; ESVI = end-systolic volume index; ICD = implantable cardioverter defibrillator; LV= left ventricular; NYHA = New York Heart Association; RAR = risk at randomization

Characteristic	All patients with viability testing (n=601)	Patients studied before randomization (n=170)	Patients studied after* randomization (n=431)	P value
Randomized to CABG, no. (%)	298 (49.6)	74 (43.5)	224 (52.0)	0.062
Crossover med to CABG, no. (%)	31 (5.2)	10 (5.9)	21 (4.9)	0.614
Crossover CABG to med, no. (%)	19 (3.2)	3 (1.8)	16 (3.7)	0.219
Received CABG, no. (%)	310 (51.6)	81 (47.6)	229 (53.1)	0.226
Patients with viability, no. (%)	487 (81.0)	141 (82.9)	346 (80.3)	0.453
Age, mean ± SD	60.7 ± 9.4	62.1 ± 8.8	60.2 ± 9.5	0.035
Male, no. (%)	521 (86.7)	147 (86.5)	374 (86.8)	0.921
Race, no. (%)				0.056
White	496 (82.5)	136 (80.0)	360 (83.5)	
Black	18 (3.0)	4 (2.4)	14 (3.2)	
Asian	29 (4.8)	5 (2.9	24 (5.6)	
Other	54 (9.0)	24 (14.1)	30 (7.0)	
Multi-racial	4 (0.7)	1 (0.6)	3 (0.7)	
Prior myocardial infarction, no. (%)	481 (80.0)	134 (78.8)	347 (80.5)	0.641
Diabetes, no. (%)	224 (37.3)	71 (41.8)	153 (35.5)	0.152
Stroke, no. (%)	53 (8.8)	10 (5.9)	43 (10.0)	0.111
Hypertension, no. (%)	363 (60.4)	110 (64.7)	253 (58.7)	0.175
Hyperlipidemia, no. (%)	403 (67.3)	123 (72.4)	280 (65.3)	0.096
Current smoker, no. (%)	126 (21.0)	28 (16.5)	98 (22.7)	0.089
Chronic renal insufficiency, no. (%)	43 (7.2)	16 (9.4)	27 (6.3)	0.180
Atrial flutter/fibrillation, no. (%)	90 (15.0)	27 (15.9)	63 (14.6)	0.695
Peripheral vascular disease,no. (%)	91 (15.1)	31 (18.2)	60 (13.9)	0.184
RAR score, mean ± SD	12.5 ± 8.8	13.6 ± 8.7	12.0 ± 8.8	0.028
Previous CABG, no. (%)	16 (2.7)	3 (1.8)	13 (3.0)	0.575
Previous PCI, no. (%)	104 (17.3)	22 (12.9)	82 (19.0)	0.076
Previous ICD, no. (%)	16 (2.7)	6 (3.5)	10 (2.3)	0.407
CAD distribution, no. (%)				
No. of diseased vessels ≥75%				0.637
None	12 (2.0)	2 (1.2)	10 (2.3)	
One-vessel	152 (25.3)	47 (27.6)	105 (24.4)	
Two-vessel	221 (36.8)	64 (37.6)	157 (36.5)	
Three-vessel	215 (35.8)	57 (33.5)	158 (36.7)	
Proximal LAD stenosis ≥75%	389 (64.8)	110 (64.7)	279 (64.9)	0.967
Left main stenosis (≥50%)	14 (2.3)	5 (2.9)	9 (2.1)	0.553
Current CCS angina class, no. (%)				0.546
No angina	236 (39.3)	72 (42.4)	164 (38.1)	
	94 (15.6)	29 (17.1)	65 (15.1)	
	253 (42.1)	63 (37.1)	190 (44.1)	
	14 (2.3)	5 (2.9)	9 (2.1)	
IV	4 (0.7))	1 (0.6)	3 (0.7)	1

Table S3. Baseline characteristics of patients with viability tests before vs. after randomization

Highest NYHA functional class				
within 3 months, no. (%)				0.321
I	27 (4.5)	6 (3.5)	21 (4.9)	
II	212 (35.3)	52 (30.6)	160 (37.1)	
III	275 (45.8)	87 (51.2)	188 (43.6)	
IV	87 (14.5)	25 (14.7)	62 (14.4)	
Medications at baseline, no. (%)				
Beta blocker	534 (88.9)	141 (82.9)	393 (91.2)	0.004
ACE inhibitor	514 (85.5)	131 (77.1)	383 (88.9)	<0.001
Angiotensin receptor blocker	46 (7.7)	16 (9.4)	30 (7.0)	0.309
ACE inhibitor or ARB	554 (92.2)	147 (86.5)	407 94.4)	0.001
Statin	508 (84.5)	145 (85.3)	363 (84.2)	0.744
Aspirin	513 (85.4)	140 (82.4)	373 (86.5)	0.191
Digoxin	109 (18.1)	31 (18.2)	78 (18.1)	0.968
Blood pressure, mean \pm SD				
Systolic (mmHg)	119.8 ± 17.3	121.0 ± 16.3	119.3 ± 17.7	0.149
Diastolic (mmHg)	74.7 ± 10.7	75.1 ± 9.7	74.5 ± 11.0	0.492
Heart rate, mean ± SD	73.3 ± 12.9	72.5 ± 13.3	73.7 ± 12.7	0.228
LV ejection fraction, mean \pm SD	0.267 ± 0.086	0.256 ± 0.077	0.271 ± 0.089	0.106
LVEDVI (ml/m2), mean ± SD	122.8 ± 41.9	126.1 ± 43.9	121.6 ± 41.7	0.289
LVESVI (ml/m2), mean ± SD	91.7 ± 38.9	95.5 ± 40.9	90.3 ± 38.0	0.133
Hemoglobin (g/dL), mean ± SD	13.9 ± 1.7	13.8 ± 1.7	13.9 ± 1.7	0.347
Creatinine (mg/dL), mean ± SD	1.2 ± 0.7	1.2 ± 0.4	1.2 ± 0.8	0.409
BUN (mg/dL), mean ± SD	29.2 ± 19.7	32.2 ± 21.4	27.8 ± 18.7	0.047

*Includes 362 patients studied after day of randomization and 69 patients studied on day of randomization

ACE = angiotensin converting enzyme; ARB = angiotensin receptor blocker; BUN = blood urea nitrogen; CABG = coronary artery bypass graft surgery; CAD = coronary artery disease; CCS = Canadian Cardiac Society; EDVI = end-diastolic volume index; ESVI = end-systolic volume index; ICD = implantable cardioverter defibrillator; LV= left ventricular; NYHA = New York Heart Association; RAR = risk at randomization

Table S4. Baseline characteristics of patients with viability tests assigned to CABG vs. medical therapy

	All nationts	Patients	Patients	
	with viability	randomized to	randomized	
Characteristic	tosting			P value
	(n=601)	(n-303)	(n-298)	
Received CABG treatment (%)	310 (51.6)	31 (10.2)	279 (93.6)	< 0.001
Patients with viable myocardium (%)	487 (81.0)	243 (80.2)	244 (81.9)	0.599
			(0)	
Age, mean ± SD	60.7 ± 9.4	60.3 ± 9.5	61.2 ±9.2	0.182
Male, no. (%)	521 (86.7)	260 (85.8)	261 (87.6)	0.522
Race, no. (%)				0.720
White	496 (82.5)	253 (83.5)	243 (81.5)	
Black	18 (3.0)	7 (2.3)	11 (3.7)	
Asian	29 (4.8)	15 (5.0)	14 (4.7)	
Other	54 (9.0)	27(8.9)	27 (9.1)	
Multi-racial	4 (0.7)	1 (0.3)	3 (1.0)	
Prior myocardial infarction, no. (%)	481 (80.0)	246 (81.2)	235 (78.9)	0.475
Diabetes, no. (%)	224 (37.3)	113 (37.3)	111 (37.2)	0.991
Stroke, no. (%)	53 (8.8)	26 (8.6)	27 (9.1)	0.835
Hypertension, no. (%)	363 (60.4)	182 (60.1)	181 (60.7)	0.866
Hyperlipidemia, no. (%)	403 (67.3)	202 (66.9)	201 (67.7)	0.837
Current smoker, no. (%)	126 (21.0)	65 (21.5)	61 (20.5)	0.767
Chronic renal insufficiency, no. (%)	43 (7.2)	17 (5.6)	26 (8.8)	0.136
Atrial flutter/fibrillation, no. (%)	90 (15.0)	46 (15.2)	44 (14.8)	0.886
Peripheral vascular disease, no. (%)	91 (15.1)	52 (17.2)	39 (13.1)	0.163
RAR score, mean ± SD	12.5 ± 8.8	12.2 ± 8.6	12.7 ± 9.0	0.554
Previous CABG, no. (%)	16 (2.7)	6 (2.0)	10 (3.4)	0.295
Previous PCI, no. (%)	104 (17.3)	46 (15.2)	58 (19.5)	0.165
Previous ICD, no. (%)	16 (2.7)	7 (2.3)	9 (3.0)	0.589
CAD distribution, no. (%)				
No. of diseased vessels ≥75%				0.515
None	12 (2.0)	8 (2.6)	4 (1.3)	
One-vessel	152 (25.3)	79 (26.1)	73 (24.6)	
Two-vessel	221 (36.8)	105 (34.7)	116 (39.1)	
Three-vessel	215 (35.8)	111 (36.6)	104 (35.0)	
Proximal LAD stenosis ≥75%	389 (64.8)	199 (65.7)	190 (64.0)	0.662
Left main stenosis (≥50%)	14 (2.3)	6 (2.0)	8 (2.7)	0.563
Current CCS angina class. no. (%)	. ,	. ,	. ,	0.132
No angina	236 (39.3)	119 (39.3)	117 (39.3)	
	94 (15.6)	53 (17.5)	41 (13.8)	
	253 (42.1)	127 (41.9)	126 (42.3)	
	14 (2.3)	3 (1.0)	11 (3.7)	
IV	4 (0.7))	1 (0.3)	3 (1.0)	

Highest NYHA functional class				
within 3 months, no. (%)				0.938
	27 (4.5)	15 (5.0	12 (4.0)	
II	212 (35.3)	108 (35.6)	104 (34.9)	
111	275 (45.8)	136 (44.9)	139 (46.6)	
IV	87 (14.5)	44 (14.5)	43 (14.4)	
Medications at baseline, no. (%)				
Beta blocker	534 (88.9)	273 (90.1)	261 (87.6)	0.327
ACE inhibitor	514 (85.5)	256 (84.5)	258 (86.6)	0.467
Angiotensin receptor blocker	46 (7.7)	23 (7.6)	23 (7.7)	0.953
ACE inhibitor or ARB	554 (92.2)	276 (91.1)	278 (93.3)	0.315
Statin	508 (84.5)	268 (88.4)	240 (80.5)	0.007
Aspirin	513 (85.4)	265 (87.5)	248 (83.2)	0.142
Digoxin	109 (18.1)	55 (18.2)	54 (18.1)	0.992
Blood pressure, mean ± SD				
Systolic (mmHg)	119.8 ± 17.3	119 ± 17.0	120.5 ± 17.7	0.682
Diastolic (mmHg)	74.7 ± 10.7	74.8 ± 10.8	74.6 ± 10.5	0.516
Heart rate, mean ± SD	73.3 ± 12.9	72.8 ± 11.8	73.8 ± 13.9	0.634
LV ejection fraction, mean \pm SD	0.267 ± 0.086	0.270 ± 0.087	0.263 ± 0.085	0.654
LVEDVI (ml/m2), mean ± SD	122.8 ± 41.9	125.1 ± 43.4	120.6 ± 40.3	0.202
LVESVI (ml/m2), mean ± SD	91.7 ± 38.9	92.9 ± 40.3	90.6 ± 37.4	0.503
Hemoglobin (g/dL), mean ± SD	13.9 ± 1.7	13.9 ± 1.7	13.9 ±1.7	0.813
Creatinine (mg/dL), mean ± SD	1.2 ± 0.7	1.1 ± 0.4	1.2 ± 0.9	0.268
BUN (mg/dL), mean ± SD	29.2 ± 19.7	28.7 ± 20.4	29.7 ± 19.0	0.455
Viability testing, no. (%)				
SPECT	471 (78.4)	231 (76.2)	240 (80.5)	0.201
DE	280 (46.6)	150 (49.5)	130 (43/6)	0.149
SPECT + DE	150 (25.0)	78 (25.7)	72 (24.2)	0.654

ACE = angiotensin converting enzyme; ARB = angiotensin receptor blocker; BUN = blood urea nitrogen; CABG = coronary artery bypass graft surgery; CAD = coronary artery disease; CCS = Canadian Cardiac Society; DE = dobutamine echocardiography; EDVI = end-diastolic volume index; ESVI = end-systolic volume index; ICD = implantable cardioverter defibrillator; LV= left ventricular; NYHA = New York Heart Association; RAR = risk at randomization; SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography

	All patients	Patients with	Patients without	
Observatoriatio	with viability	myocardial	myocardial	Duraling
Characteristic	testing	viability*	viability*	P value
	(n=601)	(n=487)	(n=114)	
Age, mean ± SD	60.7 ± 9.4	60.7 ± 9.5	60.8 ± 8.8	0.891
Male, no. (%)	521 (86.7)	416 (85.4)	105 (92.1)	0.059
Race, no. (%)				0.209
White	496 (82.5)	393 (80.7)	103 (90.4)	
Black	18 (3.0)	17 (3.5)	1 (0.9)	
Asian	29 (4.8)	26 (5.3)	3 (2.6)	
Other	54 (9.0)	47 (9.7)	7 (6.1)	
Multi-racial	4 (0.7)	4 (0.8)	0 (0.0)	
Prior myocardial infarction, no. (%)	481 (80.0)	373 (76.6)	108 (94.7)	<0.001
Diabetes, no. (%)	224 (37.3)	198 (40.7)	26 (22.8)	<0.001
Stroke, no. (%)	53 (8.8)	42 (8.6)	11 (9.6)	0.728
Hypertension, no. (%)	363 (60.4)	312 (64.1)	50 (44.7)	<0.001
Hyperlipidemia, no. (%)	403 (67.3)	326 (67.1)	77 (68.1)	0.828
Current smoker, no. (%)	126 (21.0)	108 (22.2)	18 (15.8)	0.131
Chronic renal insufficiency, no. (%)	43 (7.2)	33 (6.8)	10 (8.8)	0.460
Atrial flutter/fibrillation, no. (%)	90 (15.0)	74 (15.2)	16 (14.0)	0.755
Peripheral vascular disease, no. (%)	91 (15.1)	75 (15.4)	16 (14.0)	0.714
RAR score, mean ± SD	12.5 ± 8.8	12.4 ± 8.7	12.9 ± 9.3	0.753
Previous CABG, no. (%)	16 (2.7)	12 (2.5)	4 (3.5)	0.520
Bypass graft status, no. (%)				
≥1 stenosed or occluded	15 (93.8)	11 (91.7)	4 (100)	1.000
≥1 occluded	14 (87.5)	10 (83.3)	4 (100)	1.000
Previous PCI, no. (%)	104 (17.3)	77 (15.8)	27 (23.7)	0.045
Previous ICD, no. (%)	16 (2.7)	10 (2.1)	6 (5.3)	0.096
CAD distribution, no. (%)				
No. of diseased vessels ≥75%				0.957
None	12 (2.0)	9 (1.9)	3 (2.6)	
One-vessel	152 (25.3)	124 (25.5)	28 (24.6)	
Two-vessel	221 (36.8)	179 (36.8)	42 (36.8)	
Three-vessel	215 (35.8)	174 (35.8)	41 (36.0)	
Proximal LAD stenosis ≥75%	389 (64.8)	309 (63.6)	80 (70.2)	0.184
Left main stenosis (≥50%)	14 (2.3)	12 (2.5)	2 (1.8)	1.000
Current CCS angina class, no. (%)				0.061
No angina	236 (39.3)	202 (41.5)	34 (29.8)	
I	94 (15.6)	68 (14.0)	26 (22.8)	
II	253 (42.1)	203 (41.7)	50 (43.9)	
III	14 (2.3)	11 (2.3)	3 (2.6)	
IV	4 (0.7))	3 (0.6)	1 (0.9)	
Highest NYHA functional class				0.055
within 3 months, no. (%)				
	27 (4.5)	24 (4.9)	3 (2.6)	
	212 (35.3)	182 (37.4)	30 (26.3)	
	275 (45.8)	211 (43.3)	64 (56.1)	
IV	87 (14.5)	70 (14.4)	17 (14.9)	

Table S5. Baseline characteristics of patients with and without evidence of viable myocardium

Medications at baseline, no. (%)				
Beta blocker	534 (88.9)	437 (89.7)	96 (85.0)	0.156
ACE inhibitor	514 (85.5)	412 (84.6)	102 (89.5)	0.183
Angiotensin receptor blocker	46 (7.7)	40 (8.2)	6 (5.3)	0.286
ACE inhibitor or ARB	554 (92.2)	446 (91.6)	108 (94.7)	0.259
Statin	508 (84.5)	405 (83.2)	103 (90.4)	0.056
Aspirin	513 (85.4)	414 (85.0)	99 (86.8)	0.618
Digoxin	109 (18.1)	80 (16.4)	29 (25.4)	0.025
Blood pressure, mean ± SD				
Systolic (mmHg)	119.8 ± 17.3	121.1 ± 17.7	114.4 ± 14.3	<0.001
Diastolic (mmHg)	74.7 ± 10.7	74.9 ± 10.9	73.7 ± 9.3	0.447
Heart rate, mean ± SD	73.3 ± 12.9	73.3 ± 12.4	73.5 ± 14.7	0.839
LV ejection fraction, mean \pm SD	0.267 ± 0.086	0.275 ± 0.083	0.229 ± 0.088	<0.001
LVEDVI (ml/m2), mean ± SD	122.8 ± 41.9	116.9 ± 36.5	146.5 ± 52.6	<0.001
LVESVI (ml/m2), mean ± SD	91.7 ± 38.9	85.9 ± 33.2	116.3 ± 50.2	<0.001
Hemoglobin (g/dL), mean ± SD	13.9 ± 1.7	13.9 ± 1.7	14.1 ± 1.6	0.426
Creatinine (mg/dL), mean ± SD	1.2 ± 0.7	1.2 ± 0.8	1.2 ± 0.4	0.123
BUN (mg/dL), mean ± SD	29.2 ± 19.7	29.5 ± 20.0	27.3 ± 18.0	0.485

ACE = angiotensin converting enzyme; ARB = angiotensin receptor blocker; BUN = blood urea nitrogen; CABG = coronary artery bypass graft surgery; CAD = coronary artery disease; CCS = Canadian Cardiac Society; EDVI = end-diastolic volume index; ESVI = end-systolic volume index; ICD = implantable cardioverter defibrillator; LV= left ventricular; NYHA = New York Heart Association; RAR = risk at randomization

Characteristic	All patients with viability	Patients with myocardial viability (n=487)			Patients without myocardial viability (n=114)		
	(n=601)	MED (n=243)	CABG (n=244)	P value	MED (n=60)	CABG (n=54)	P value
Age, mean ± SD	60.7 ± 9.4	60.0 ± 9.7	61.5 ± 9.2	0.054	61.6 ± 8.5	60.0 ± 9.2	0.341
Male, no. (%)	521 (86.7)	205 (84.4)	211 (86.5)	0.509	55 (91.7)	50 (92.6)	1.000
Race, no. (%)				0.787			0.406
White	496 (82.5)	197 (81.1)	196 (80.3)		56 (93.3)	47 (87.0)	
Black	18 (3.0)	7 (2.9)	10 (4.1)		0 (0.0)	1 (1.9)	
Asian	29 (4.8)	13 (5.3)	13 (5.3)		2 (3.3)	1 (1.9)	
Other	54 (9.0)	25 (10.3)	22 (9.0)		2 (3.3)	5 (9.3)	
Multi-racial	4 (0.7)	1 (0.4)	3 (1.2)		0. (0.0)	0 (0.0)	
Prior myocardial infarction, no. (%)	481 (80.0)	190 (78.2)	183 (75.0)	0.406	56 (93.3)	52 (96.3)	0.682
Diabetes, no. (%)	224 (37.3)	103 (42.4)	95 (38.9)	0.438	10 (16.7)	16 (29.6)	0.100
Stroke, no. (%)	53 (8.8)	18 (7.4)	24 (9.8)	0.340	8 (13.3)	3 (5.6)	0.160
Hypertension, no. (%)	363 (60.4)	155 (63.8)	157 (64.3)	0.898	27 (45.0)	24 (44.4)	0.952
Hyperlipidemia, no. (%)	403 (67.3)	162 (66.9)	164 (67.2)	0.949	40 (66.17)	37 (68.5)	0.720
Current smoker, no. (%)	126 (21.0)	55 (22.6)	53 (21.7)	0.808	10 (16.7)	8 (14.8)	0.787
Chronic renal insufficiency, no. (%)	43 (7.2)	11 (4.5)	22 (9.1)	0.047	6(10.0)	4 (7.4)	0.746
Atrial flutter/fibrillation, no. (%)	90 (15.0)	37 (15.2)	37 (15.2)	0.985	9 (15.0)	7 (13.0)	0.755
Peripheral vascular disease, no. (%)	91 (15.1)	40 (16.5)	35 (14.3)	0.518	12 (20.0)	4 (7.4)	0.053
RAR score, mean ± SD	12.5 ± 8.8	11.9 ± 8.4	12.8 ± 9.0	0.283	13.7 ± 9.8	12.0 ± 8.8	0.368
Previous CABG, no. (%)	16 (2.7)	12 (2.5)	4 (1.6)	0.245	2 (3.3)	2 (3.7)	1.000
Previous PCI, no. (%)	104 (17.3)	31 (12.8)	46 (18.9)	0.065	15 (25.0)	12 (22.2)	0.728
Previous ICD, no. (%)	16 (2.7)	4 (1.6)	6 (2.5)	0.751	3 (5.0)	3 (5.6)	1.000
Current CCS angina class, no. (%)				0.604			0.031
No angina	236 (39.3)	101 (41.6)	101 (41.4)		18 (30.0)	16 (29.6)	
	94 (15.6)	34 (14.0)	34 (13.9)		19 (31.7)	7 (13.0)	
II	253 (42.1)	104 (42.8)	99 (40.6)		23 (398.3)	27 (50.0)	
III	14 (2.3)	3 (1.2)	8 (3.3)		0 (0.0)	3 (5.6)	
IV	4 (0.7))	1 (0.4)	2 (0.8)		0 (0.0)	1 (1.9)	
Highest NYHA functional class within 3							
months, no. (%)				0.508			0.254
	27 (4.5)	15 (6.2)	9 (3.7)		0 (0.0)	3 (5.6)	
	212 (35.3)	94 (38.7)	88 (36.1)		14 (23.3)	16 (29.6)	
	275 (45.8)	100 (41.2)	111 (45.5)		36 (60.0)	28 (51.9)	
IV	87 (14.5)	34 (14.0)	36 (14.8)		10 (16.7)	7 (13.0)	

Table S6. Baseline Characteristics of Patients with Viability Tests Assigned to CABG versus Medical Therapy

Blood pressure, mean ± SD							
Systolic (mmHg)	119.8 ± 17.3	120.5 ± 17.1	121.6 ± 18.4	0.738	113.6 ± 15.6	115.3 ± 12.9	0.852
Diastolic (mmHg)	74.7 ± 10.7	75.1 ± 11.0	74.6 ± 10.9	0.401	73.3 ± 10.1	74,2 ± 8.4	0.759
Heart rate, mean ± SD	73.3 ± 12.9	73.1± 12.3	73.5 ± 12.5	0.764	71.9 ± 9.6	75.4 ± 18.8	0.657
Hemoglobin (g/dL), mean ± SD	13.9 ± 1.7	13.9 ± 1.7	13.8 ± 1.7	0.720	13.9 ± 1.6	14.3 ± 1.6	0.163
Creatinine (mg/dL), mean ± SD	1.2 ± 0.7	1.1 ± 0.4	1.2 ± 1.0	0.263	1.2 ± 0.4	1.1 ± 0.3	0.656
BUN (mg/dL), mean ± SD	29.2 ± 19.7	29.9 ± 20.8	29.1 ± 19.2	0.693	23.2 ± 17.2	33.9 ± 17.6	0.010
Medications at baseline, no. (%)							
Beta blocker	534 (88.9)	221 (90.9)	216 (88.5)	0.379	52 (86.7)	45 (83.3)	0.618
ACE inhibitor	514 (85.5)	202 (83.1)	210 (86.1)	0.369	54 (90.0)	48 (88.9)	0.847
Angiotensin receptor blocker	46 (7.7)	20 (8.2)	20 (8.2)	0.989	3 (5.0)	3 (5.6)	1.000
ACE inhibitor or ARB	554 (92.2)	219 (90.1)	227 (93.0)	0.248	57 (95.0)	51 (94.4)	1.000
Statin	508 (84.5)	212 (87.2)	193 (79.1)	0.016	56 (93.3)	47 (87.0)	0.256
Aspirin	513 (85.4)	209 (86.0)	205 (84.0)	0.538	56 (93.5)	43 (79.6)	0.031
Digoxin	109 (18.1)	40 (16.5)	40 (16.4)	0.984	15 (25.0)	14 (25.9)	0.910
CAD distribution, no. (%)							
No. of diseased vessels ≥75%				0.789			0.447
None	12 (2.0)	6 (2.5)	3 (1.2)		2 (3.3)	1 (1.9)	
One-vessel	152 (25.3)	62 (25.5)	62 (25.5)		17 (28.3)	11 (20.4)	
Two-vessel	221 (36.8)	87 (35.8)	92 (37.9)		18 (30.0)	24 (44.4)	
Three-vessel	215 (35.8)	88 (36.2)	86 (35.4)		23 (38.3)	18 (33.3)	
Proximal LAD stenosis ≥75%	389 (64.8)	157 (64.6)	152 (62.6)	0.637	42 (70.0)	38 (70.4)	0.966
Left main stenosis (≥50%)	14 (2.3)	6 (2.5)	6 (2.5)	1.000	0 (0.0)	2 (3.7)	0.222
LV ejection fraction, mean ± SD	0.267 ± 0.086	0.281 ± 0.084	0.270 ± 0.082	0.295	0.226 ± 0.085	0.233 ± 0.091	0.503
LVEDVI (ml/m2), mean ± SD	122.8 ± 41.9	117.8 ± 37.9	116 ± 35.1	0.628	152.3 ± 51.3	140.0 ± 53.8	0.186
LVESVI (ml/m2), mean ± SD	91.7 ± 38.9	85.8 ± 34.3	86.0 ± 32.1	0.974	120.8 ± 49.6	111.2 ± 50.8	0.253
Viability testing, no. (%)							
SPECT	471 (78.4)	182 (74.9)	197 (80.1)	0.121	49 (81.7)	43 (79.6)	0.783
DE	280 (46.6)	121 (49.8)	108 (44.3)	0.221	29 (48.3)	22 (40.7)	0.416
SPECT + DE	150 (25.0)	60 (24.7)	61 (25.0)	0.937	18 (30.0)	11 (20.4)	0.238
Received CABG, no. (%)	310 (51.6)	28 (11.5)	230 (94.3)	<0.001	3 (5.0)	49 (90.7)	<0.001

ACE = angiotensin converting enzyme; ARB = angiotensin receptor blocker; BUN = blood urea nitrogen; CABG = coronary artery bypass graft surgery; CAD = coronary artery disease; CCS = Canadian Cardiac Society; DE = dobutamine echocardiography; EDVI = end-diastolic volume index; ESVI = endsystolic volume index; ICD = implantable cardioverter defibrillator; LV= left ventricular; MED = medical therapy; NYHA = New York Heart Association; SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography

Table S7. Baseline Characteristics Significantly Associated with Mortality(From Univariate Cox Model Analyses)

Variable	Mortality			
	Chi-square*	p value		
RAR score	33.26	<0.001		
LV ejection fraction	24.80	<0.001		
LV end-diastolic volume index	35.36	<0.001		
LV end-systolic volume index	33.90	<0.001		
Myocardial viability	8.54	0.003		

LV = left ventricular; RAR = risk at randomization

	No.	Univariate analysis		Multivariable analysis*	
Variable		Chi-square	p value	Chi-square	p value
SPECT and/or dobutamine echo	601	8.54	0.003	1.57	0.210
SPECT alone	471	7.35	0.007	0.58	0.443
Dobutamine echo alone	280	1.18	0.277	0.42	0.518

Table S8. Association of viability with mortality by Cox model analysis

*Note: The Chi-square and p-value from multivariable analyses are obtained from Cox model adjusting for treatment (as randomized), stratum, age, gender, race, heart failure class at baseline, history of myocardial infarction, previous revascularization, baseline ejection fraction, number of diseased vessels, chronic renal insufficiency, mitral regurgitation, history of stroke, and history of atrial flutter/fibrillation.

SPECT=single photon emission computed tomography

Endpoint	Treatment	Total patients in the model	Events	Chi- Square	P-value
Mortality	As Randomized	601	236	0.3981	0.528
	As Treated	601	236	0.0023	0.962
Mortality or Cardiovascular Hospitalization	As Randomized	601	422	0.7380	0.390
	As Treated	601	422	0.0010	0.975
Cardiovascular Mortality	As Randomized	601	187	0.1518	0.697
	As Treated	601	187	1.2647	0.261

Table S9. Cox Model Tests for Interaction Between Viability and Treatment with Respectto Specified Outcomes