

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

Optical Coherence Tomography Findings in Patients with Coronary Stent Thrombosis

A report of the PREvention of late Stent Thrombosis by an Interdisciplinary Global European effort (PRESTIGE) consortium

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Supplementary methods

OCT quantitative analysis

Metallic stent struts were identified as bright, signal-intense structures with blooming and dorsal shadowing; polymeric bioresorbable stent struts appear as a “black box” area surrounded by bright reflecting frames without abluminal shadowing.¹ The first and last analyzed frame at the stented segment was defined as the OCT frame allowing the drawing of a complete circumference using the strut contour, where struts were present in at least 3/4 of the perimeter. Distal and proximal reference measurements were performed in none or minimally diseased cross-sections within 10 mm from the stent edges. For morphometric analysis, standard definitions of cross-sectional area (CSA) and diameter were applied as previously reported.² Stent and lumen CSA were measured throughout the entire length of the stent. Lumen area was not assessed in presence of remaining thrombus obscuring the luminal border in at least one third of the luminal circumference. Mean reference area was calculated as the sum of the distal and proximal non-stented reference lumen area divided by 2. In case the pullback did not include analyzable distal and proximal non-stented reference segments, the reference area was derived from the proximal and distal most stented segment. Stent expansion index was calculated as minimum stent area divided by mean reference area. Inter-observer variability for core lab morphometric measurements was assessed by repeat analysis of 10 patients performed by a second operator.

Presence of thrombus, stent strut coverage, stent strut apposition, inter-strut cavities, degree and type of neointimal tissue characteristics consistent with neoatherosclerosis were evaluated at frame level. Thrombus was defined as intraluminal protruding mass with irregular borders with or without adherence to stent struts or luminal tissue. The greatest

longitudinal thrombus extent was calculated using the number of consecutive frames with any thrombus. Strut coverage was adjudicated on a frame-level basis. Struts were considered uncovered if any part of the strut was visibly exposed to the lumen. Conversely, struts covered by visible thrombus were classified as thrombus covered struts and counted separately in the analysis. The number of consecutive frames with uncovered struts was counted and the greatest longitudinal extent of uncovered struts was measured.

Malapposition was considered present when the axial distance between the luminal surface of the strut to the lumen contour was greater than the strut thickness (including polymer, if present) including a correction factor to account for strut blooming artifact.² Readers blinded to stent type performed the assessment of malapposition. After finishing all measurements, stent type was unblinded and appropriate cut-off values were used to determine coverage and malapposition for each patient. Distance of malapposition was derived from the distance between the luminal surface of the strut and the lumen contour. Maximum malapposition distance and area of malapposition were recorded. The maximum length of malapposition was derived by the number of consecutive frames with malapposed struts. Inter-strut cavities (or coronary in-stent evaginations) were defined as the presence of an outward bulge in the luminal vessel contour between apposed struts with a maximum depth of the bulge greater than 1/3 of the lumen diameter. Atherosclerotic changes of the neointima (neoatherosclerosis) were defined by the presence of one or more of the following: lipid laden tissue within the stent, defined as a signal-poor region with diffuse border and light signal attenuation, possibly masking deep strut detection; thin-cap fibroatheroma (TCFA), defined as plaque with lipid-laden tissue with a fibrous cap thickness $\leq 65 \mu\text{m}$ at the thinnest measured point, or neointimal calcification, characterized by a signal-poor region with sharp demarcation within the overlying neointima³⁻⁵. In the core lab

analysis, neoatherosclerosis was adjudicated when lipid-laden tissue or TCFA involved more than 50% of the analyzable arc at the involved cross-section.

Supplementary results

Comparison of patients with and without OCT imaging

In a sensitivity analysis comparing patients with ST with analyzable OCT imaging who were included in the present analysis (n=217) versus those without analyzable OCT imaging (n=458) we found was no significant difference in the proportion of patients with acute/subacute or late/very late ST 62/217 (28.6%) versus 150/455 (33.0%) and 155/217 (71.4%) versus 305/455 (67.0%) respectively; P=0.25).

Baseline characteristics of patients with and without OCT imaging are shown in

Supplementary Table 2.

OCT core laboratory analysis

Mean difference between methods and within-patient standard deviation for proximal lumen area, distal lumen area and minimal stent area were 1.03 and 1.43 mm², 0.02 and 0.20 mm², -0.24 and 0.27 mm², respectively. For these parameters, repeatability coefficients and intra-class correlation coefficients (Shrout and Fleiss) were 3.96 and 0.62, 0.57 and 0.99, 0.76 and 0.97 respectively.

Supplementary Table 1. Results of platelet reactivity testing

| | Early stent thrombosis | Late/very late stent thrombosis | p-value |
|---|------------------------|---------------------------------|---------|
| Platelet reactivity with VerifyNow P2Y₁₂ (n=49) | | | |
| High platelet reactivity | 15/17 (88.2%) | 22/32 (68.8%) | 0.18 |
| Platelet reactivity units | 257±86 | 245±86 | 0.64 |
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| Platelet reactivity with Multiplate adenosine diphosphate (ADP) (n=51) | | | |
| High platelet reactivity | 15/20 (75.0%) | 19/31 (61.3%) | 0.31 |
| Platelet reactivity units (U) | 76±46 | 63±33 | 0.25 |

Data are shown as n (%) or mean ± standard deviation

Supplementary Table 2. Baseline characteristics of patients presenting with stent thrombosis with and without analyzable OCT imaging

| | With OCT imaging (N= 217) | Without OCT imaging (N= 458) | p-value |
|---|------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------|
| Age (years) | 63.7±11.9 | 64.1±11.8 | 0.69 |
| Male | 178/217 (82.0%) | 374/458 (81.7%) | 0.91 |
| Diabetes | 54/217 (24.9%) | 105/455 (19.4%) | 0.61 |
| insulin dependent | 8/214 (12.9%) | 41/435 (9.4%) | 0.15 |
| Hypercholesterolemia | 181/193 (93.8%) | 376/420 (89.5%) | 0.09 |
| Arterial hypertension | 99/211 (46.9%) | 229/451 (50.8%) | 0.36 |
| Active smoker | 62/210 (29.5%) | 123/448 (27.5%) | 0.58 |
| Severely impaired left ventricular function* | 9/217 (4.2%) | 15/451 (3.3%) | 0.59 |
| Prior bypass operation | 14/217 (6.5%) | 35/455 (7.7%) | 0.56 |
| Prior myocardial infarction | 100/217 (46.1%) | 303/427 (71.0%) | <0.001 |
| Renal insufficiency | 9/217 (4.2%) | 19/453 (4.2%) | 0.98 |
| Clinical presentation | | | 0.29 |
| ST-elevation myocardial infarction | 158/217 (72.8%) | 361/458 (78.8%) | |
| Non-ST-elevation myocardial infarction | 46/217 (21.2%) | 79/458 (17.3%) | |
| Unstable angina | 10/217 (4.6%) | 12/458 (2.6%) | |
| Culprit vessel | | | |
| Left main only | 2/214 (0.9%) | 9/456 (2.0%) | 0.53 |
| LAD only | 90/214 (42.1%) | 177/456 (38.8%) | 0.42 |
| LCx only | 29/214 (13.5%) | 56/456 (12.3%) | 0.64 |
| RCA only | 78/214 (36.5%) | 182/456 (39.9%) | 0.39 |
|LAD and LCx | 6/214 (2.8%) | 3/456 (0.7%) | 0.07 |
|LAD and RCA | 2/214 (0.9%) | 2/456 (0.4%) | 0.77 |
|LCx and RCA | 3/214 (1.4%) | 1/456 (0.2%) | 0.20 |
| Saphenous vein graft | 4/214 (1.9%) | 26/456 (5.7%) | 0.03 |
| Bifurcation lesion | 38/205 (18.5%) | 76/438 (17.4%) | 0.71 |

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| Number of stents implanted in vessel with stent thrombosis | 333 | 685 | |
| Stent type at index procedure | | | |
| - bare metal stent | 110/333 (33.0%) | 187/685 (27.3%) | 0.07 |
| - early generation DES | 45/333 (1.0%) | 120/685 (17.5%) | 0.12 |
| - newer generation DES | 163/333 (48.9%) | 316/685 (46.1%) | 0.44 |
| - bioresorbable DES | 6/333 (1.8%) | 11/685 (1.6%) | >0.99 |
| - unknown | 9/333 (2.7%) | 51/685 (7.4%) | 0.003 |
| Stent diameter (mm) | 3.2±1.4 | 3.1±0.5 | 0.62 |
| Stent length (mm) | 19.8±6.3 | 20.6±7.7 | 0.12 |
| TIMI flow at presentation | | | 0.70 |
| 0/1 | 168/212 (79.3%) | 370/451 (82.0%) | |
| 2 | 21/212 (9.9%) | 33/451 (12.6%) | |
| 3 | 23/212 (13.1%) | 48/451 (9.9%) | |

Data are shown as n (%) or mean ± standard deviation

*severely impaired left ventricular function was defined as ejection fraction <30%

Supplementary Table 3: Estimated probabilities for findings according to time interval between index stenting and stent thrombosis at a frame-level adjusted by generalized linear mixed models

| Predicted average probability* (95% CI) for a frame to have any* | Acute stent thrombosis | Subacute stent thrombosis | Late stent thrombosis | Very late stent thrombosis |
|---|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Uncovered Struts | 77.4% (56.4%; 90.0%) | 57.0% (43.2%; 69.8%) | 22.4% (11.1%; 39.9%) | 5.3% (3.6%; 7.6%) |
| Thrombus Covered Struts | 17.3% (7.3%; 35.6%) | 24.5% (15.7%; 36.1%) | 3.8% (1.5%; 9.3%) | 3.2% (2.1%; 4.9%) |
| Uncovered or Thrombus-Covered Struts | 99.3% (96.1%; 99.9%) | 96.6% (92.4%; 98.5%) | 34.3% (15.0%; 60.7%) | 9.6% (6.2%; 14.5%) |
| Malapposed Struts | 21.8% (8.4%; 45.6%) | 8.5% (4.6%; 15.3%) | 6.7% (2.5%; 16.3%) | 2.0% (1.2%; 3.3%) |
| Struts with Neointimal Hyperplasia | 0.0% (0.0%; 0.0%) | 0.0% (0.0%; 0.0%) | 0.0% (0.0%; 0.0%) | 2.8% (1.3%; 5.9%) |
| Interstrut Cavities | 0.0% (0.0%; 0.0%) | 0.1% (0.0%; 0.3%) | 1.2% (0.3%; 4.5%) | 0.7% (0.3%; 1.4%) |

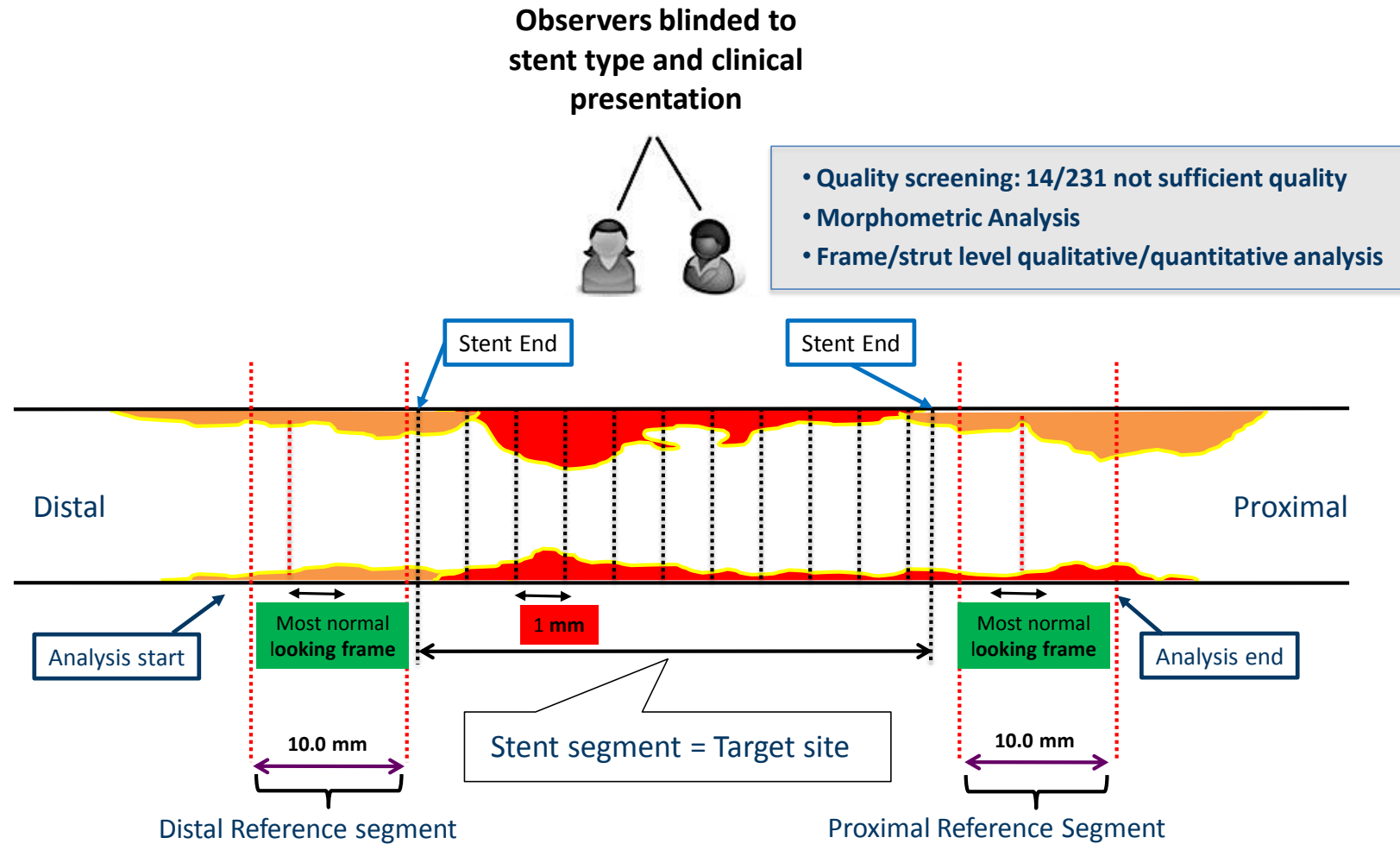
Estimates were obtained using a mixed effects logistic regression model, including a fixed effect for time and a random intercept per patient

* Predicted probability for an 'average' patient, i.e. with random intercept of zero

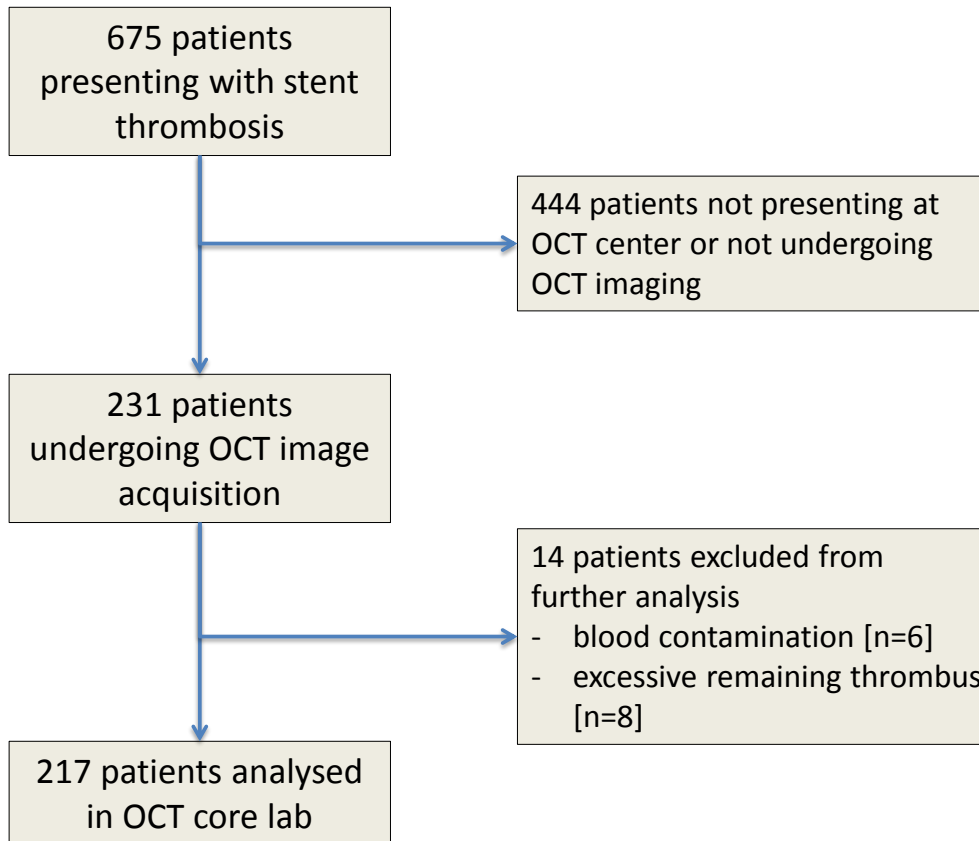
Supplementary Table 4: Results of imaging adjudication committee analysis for contributory findings in stent thrombosis

| | Acute stent thrombosis (N=15) | Subacute stent thrombosis (N=47) | Late stent thrombosis (N=21) | Very late stent thrombosis (N=134) |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Uncovered struts | 15 (100%) | 43 (91.5%) | 13 (61.9%) | 65/134 (48.5%) |
| Malapposed struts | 9 (60%) | 24 (51.1%) | 8 (38.1%) | 37/134 (27.6%) |
| Underexpansion | 3 (20%) | 31 (66.0%) | 8 (38.1%) | 35/134 (26.1%) |
| Severe restenosis | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 8 (38.1%) | 43/134 (32.1%) |
| Neoatherosclerosis | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 52/134 (38.8%) |
| Neoatherosclerosis with rupture | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 31/134 (23.1%) |
| Inter strut cavities | 0 (0%) | 1 (2.1%) | 5 (23.8%) | 18/134 (13.4%) |
| Distal edge dissection | 1 (6.7%) | 3 (6.4%) | 0 (0%) | 1/134 (0.8%) |
| Proximal edge dissection | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 0 (0%) | 1/134 (0.8%) |
| Edge segment disease & plaque rupture | 2 (13.3%) | 5 (10.6%) | 4 (19.1%) | 16/134 (11.9%) |
| Stent overlap | 3 (20.0%) | 13 (27.7%) | 5 (23.8%) | 33/134 (24.6%) |
| Stent fracture | 0 (0%) | 1 (2.1%) | 0 (0%) | 1/134 (0.8%) |

Supplementary Figure 1. Outline of work flow of core lab analysis



Supplementary Figure 2. Study flow chart



OCT = optical coherence tomography

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Appendix A: General description of the PRESTIGE Consortium

In 2010, a consortium of 14 European institutions joined forces to investigate stent thrombosis. The project consortium was named PRESTIGE—PREvention of late Stent Thrombosis by an Interdisciplinary Global European effort—and was coordinated by the Deutsches Herzzentrum München in Munich, Germany. It has run for 4 years, 2010–14. The project was funded by the European Commission under the Seventh Framework Programme (Grant Agreement No.: HEALTH-F2-2010-260309). Within the project, the scientists want to develop new concepts to identify and prevent ST. The strategy includes a basic scientific approach to decrypt the molecular and cellular mechanisms underlying ST, a bio-engineering approach focused on the development and testing of new intravascular imaging tools and stent materials to prevent stent thrombosis, plus a clinically-orientated effort to better characterize the burden of ST across Europe.

The consortium is led by Prof. Adnan Kastrati and Prof. Steffen Massberg and has participants from nine European Union countries, involving both academic centres and small- and medium-sized companies.

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