

TAVR and CAD: Rationale and Design of the COMPLETE TAVR Trial

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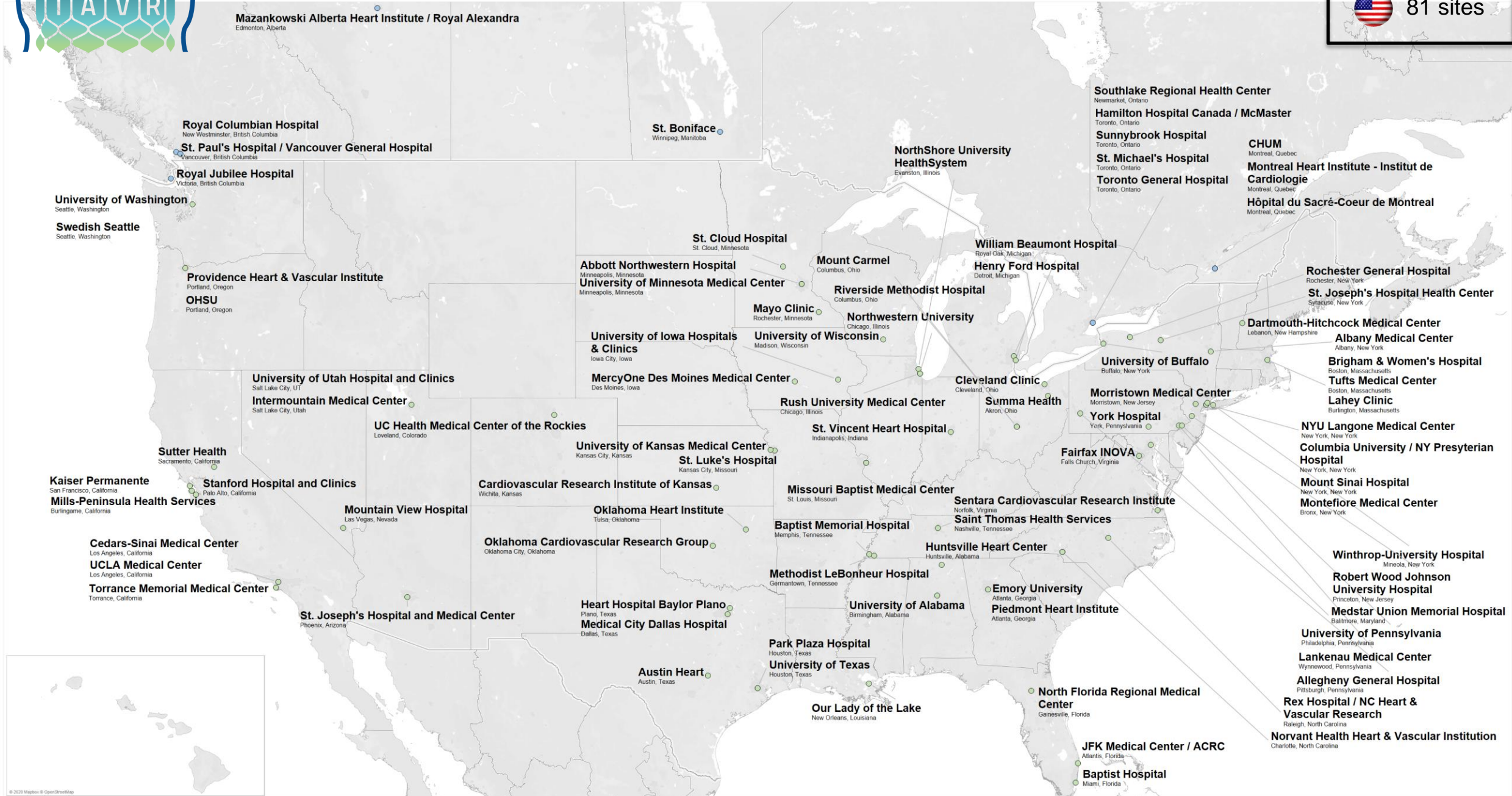
COMPLETE TAVR Clinical Sites



13 sites



81 sites



Study Objective

- Among patients who have undergone **successful elective transfemoral TAVR** with a balloon expandable transcatheter heart valve (Edwards Lifesciences, Irvine, CA) who are receiving guideline-directed medical therapy, is a strategy of **complete revascularization involving staged PCI** using drug eluting stents to treat all suitable coronary artery lesions (>70% visual angiographic stenosis in a vessel of at least 2.5 mm diameter) superior to a strategy of guideline-directed **medical therapy alone** in reducing the composite outcome of cardiovascular death, new myocardial infarction, ischemia driven revascularization, or hospitalization?



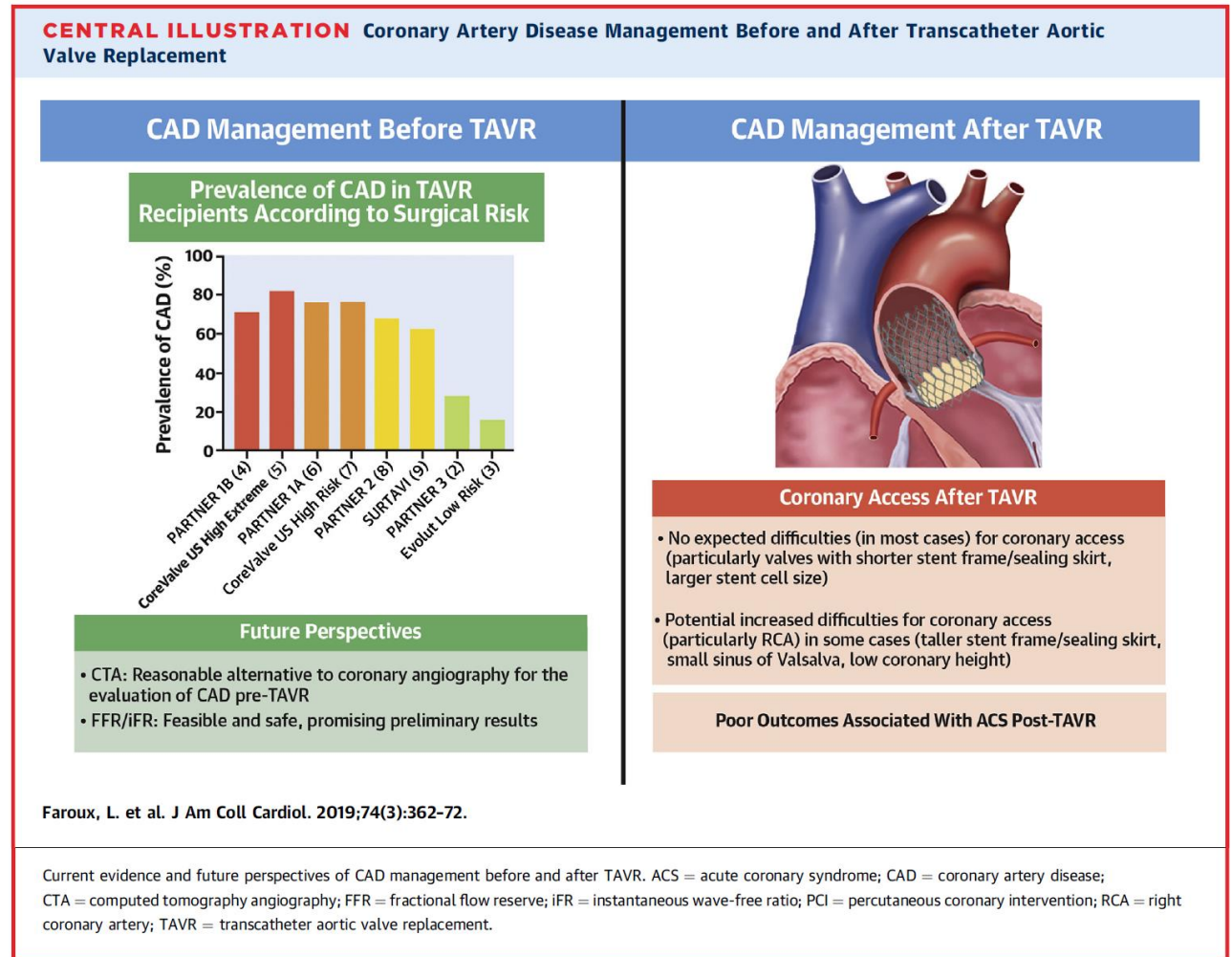
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Background

- 50% concomitant CAD in “all-comers” TAVR population (15 - 81%)
- No Core Lab data
- 10% ACS post TAVR in > 700 patients after median follow-up of 2 years¹ (poor outcomes)
- Level of Evidence C for SAVR + CABG (ACC/AHA/ESC)
- Benefit and Optimal Timing of PCI unknown
- Challenges with coronary access post TAVR
- “Large appropriately powered RCT is needed”

1. Vilalta et al. JACC CVI. 2018



Impact of Coronary Artery Revascularization Completeness on Outcomes of Patients With Coronary Artery Disease Undergoing Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement: A Meta-Analysis of Studies Using the Residual SYNTAX Score (Synergy Between PCI With Taxus and Cardiac Surgery)

WHAT IS KNOWN

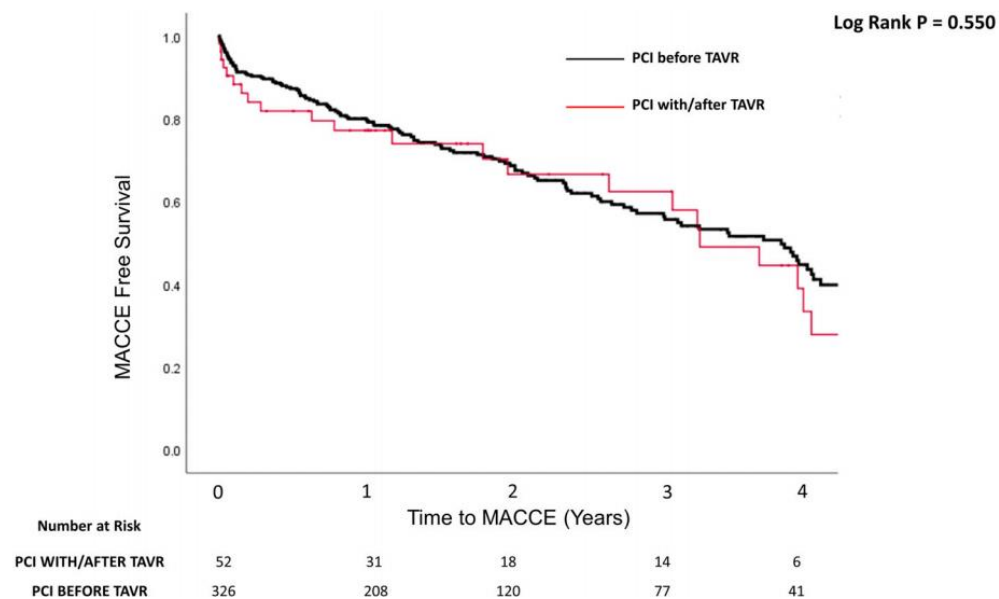
- Current data suggest that patients with severe coronary artery disease (as defined by the SYNTAX score [Synergy Between PCI With Taxus and Cardiac Surgery]) are at increased risk for mortality post-transcatheter aortic valve replacement.



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FIGURE 5 MACCE-free survival rate between patients ($n = 380$) who received PCI before TAVR and PCI with/after TAVR (log rank $p = .550$). MACCE, major adverse cardiac and cerebrovascular events; PCI, percutaneous coronary interventions; TAVR, transcatheter aortic valve replacement [Color figure can be viewed at wileyonlinelibrary.com]



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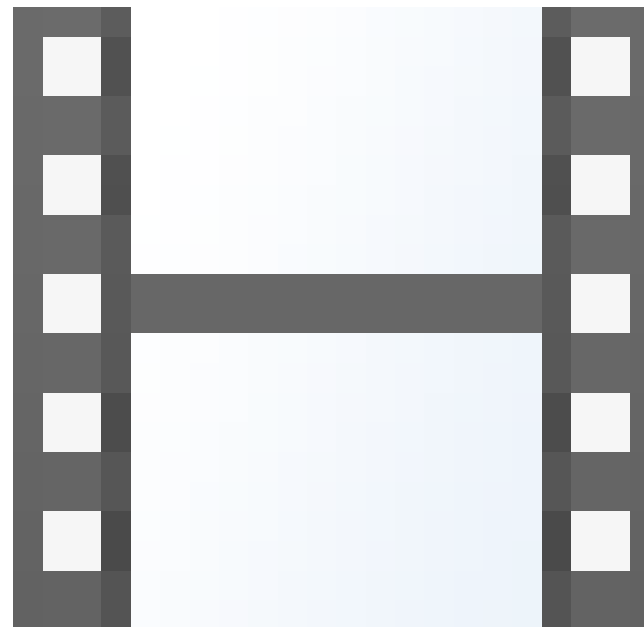
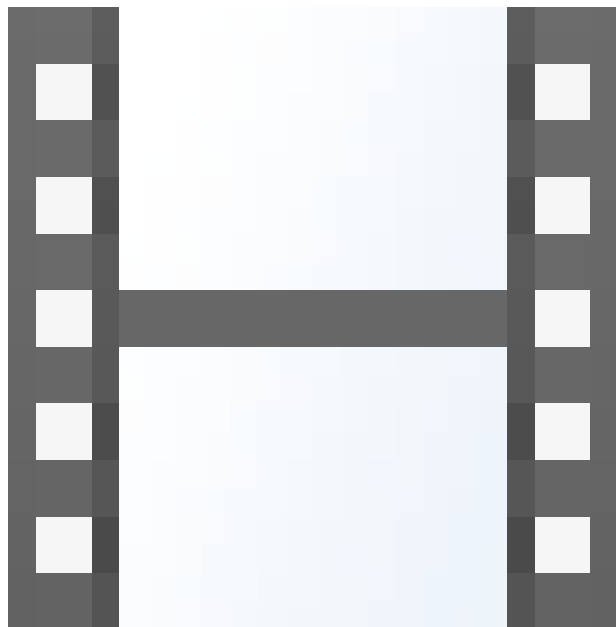
Conclusion: Among patients who underwent both PCI and TAVR, history of CABG, higher BMI, and statin therapy had lower, while those discharged on warfarin, had higher adverse event rates. Adverse events rates were similar regardless of timing of PCI.



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Patient A

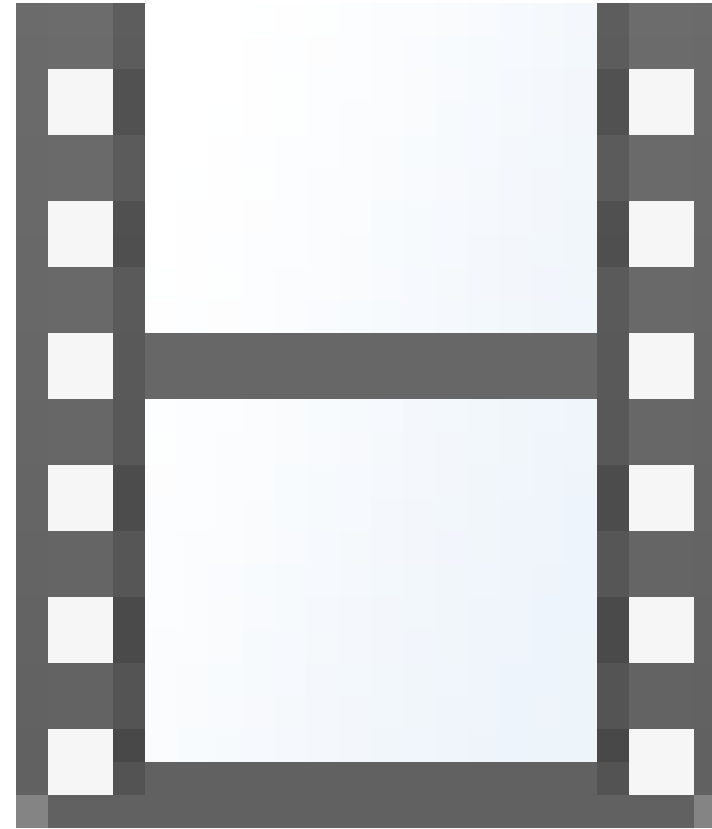
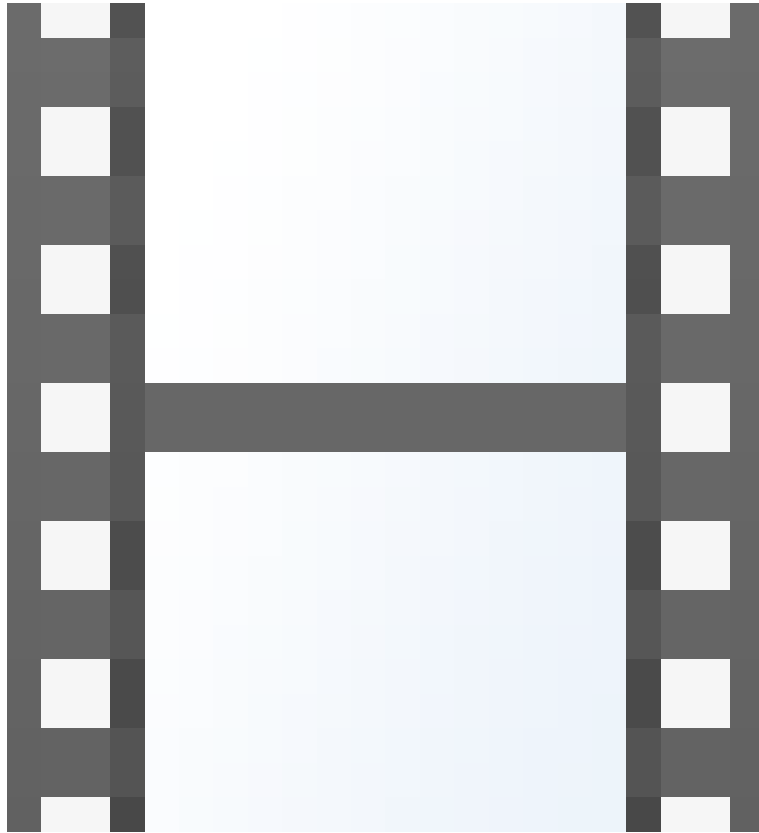


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Patient B



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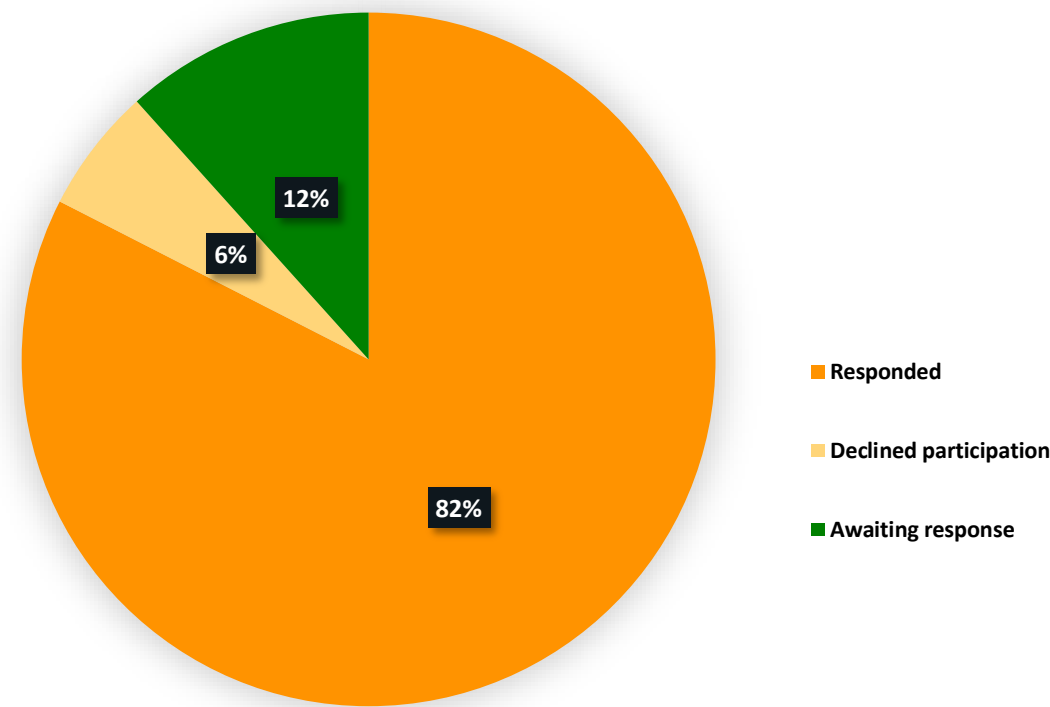
Site Feasibility Questionnaire Results



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SITE FEASIBILITY SURVEY RESULTS (18 days post Invitation)



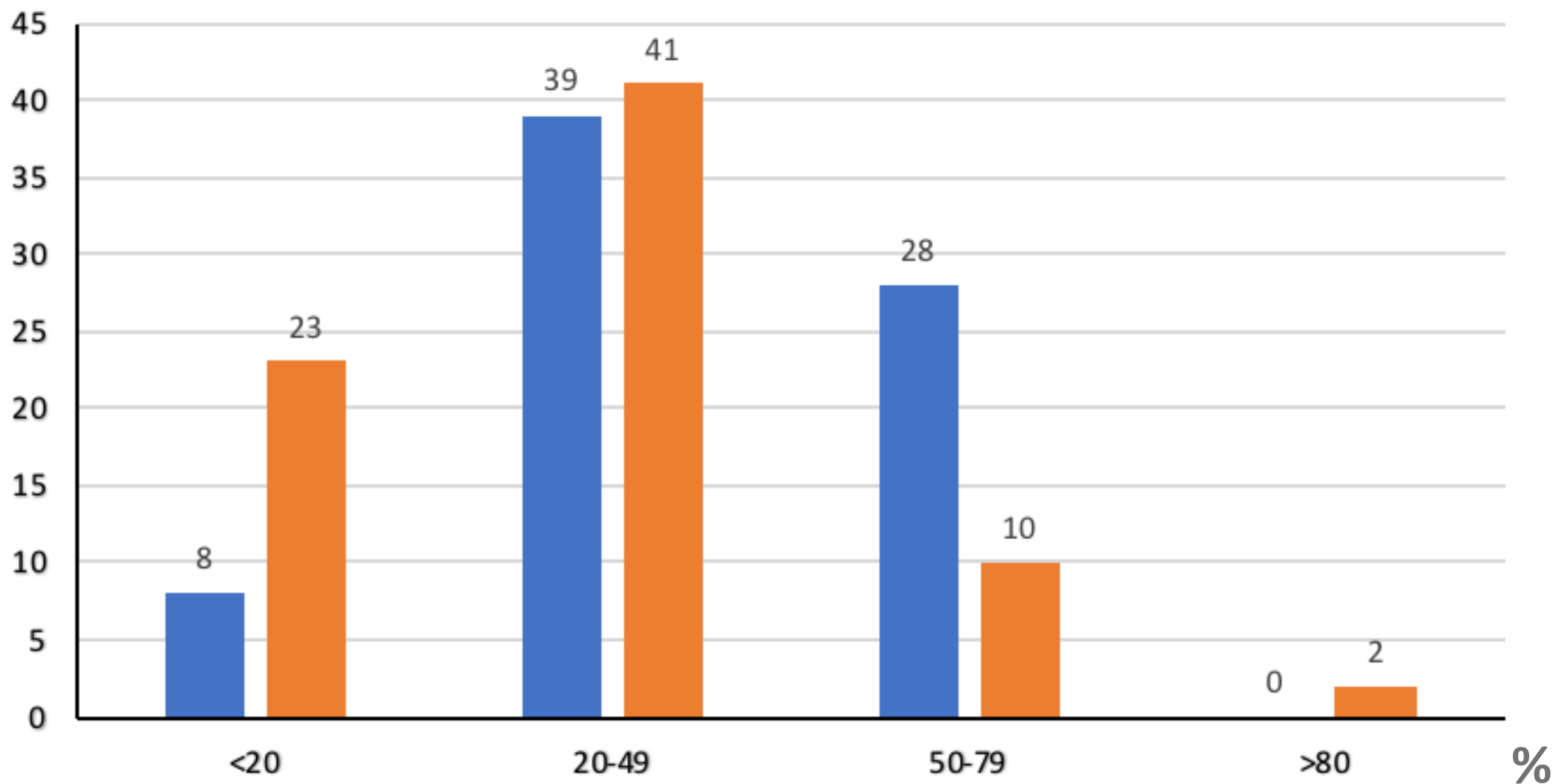
Question	Yes	No
Clinical equipoise?	74	4
Willing to randomize?	78	0
Influence clinical guidelines?	78	0

78 sites have already completed their Questionnaire

78 out of 103 sites have already agreed to participate

All 78 sites believe COMPLETE TAVR will influence global clinical guidelines. All 78 sites will randomize patients to Staged PCI vs Medical Therapy 1 – 45 days post successful TF TAVR

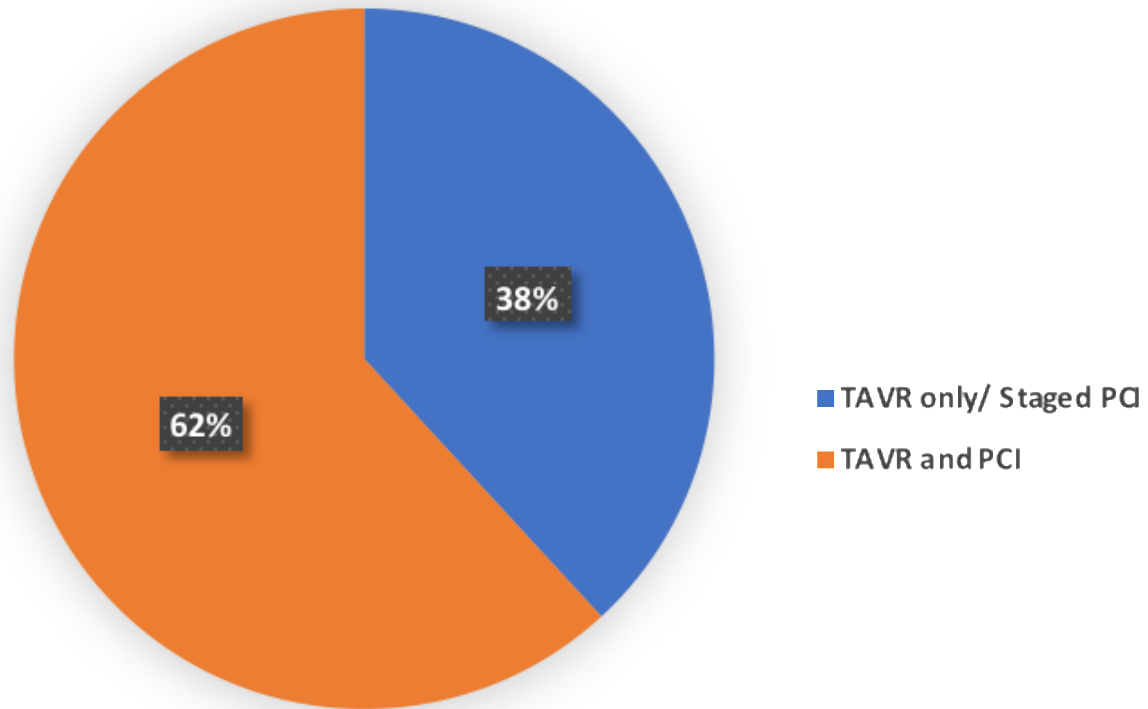
Number
of Sites



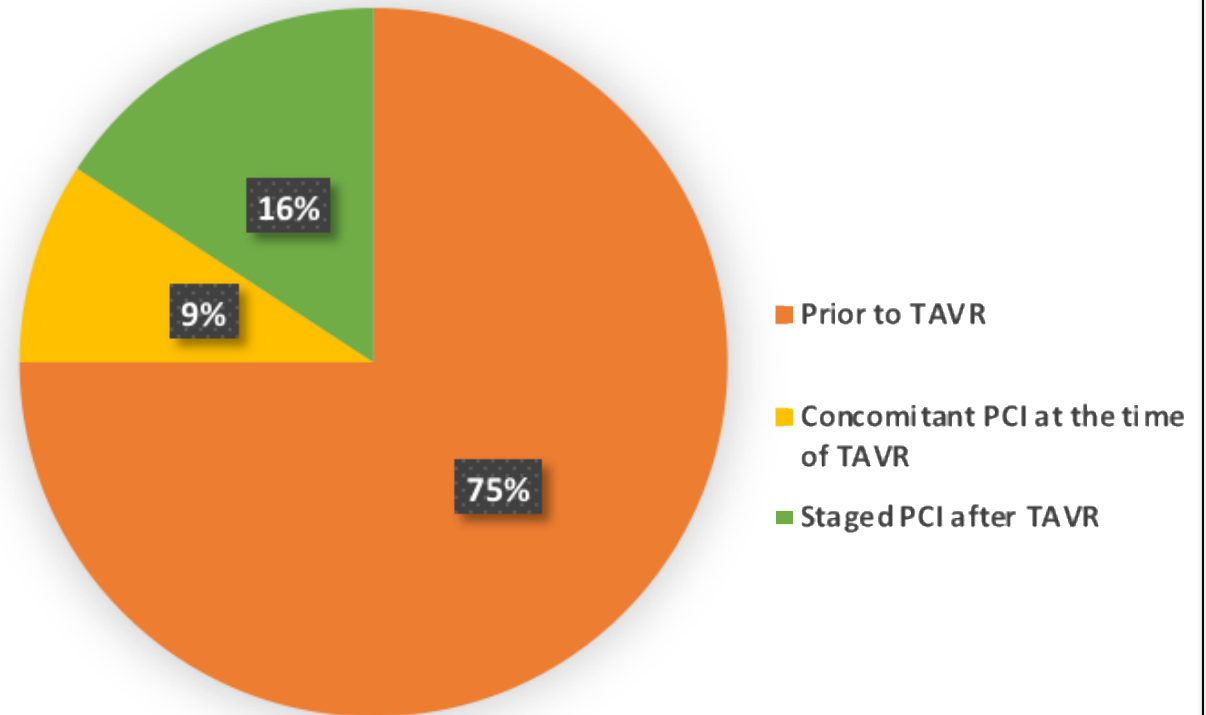
■ What proportion of cases also have concomitant CAD with at least one major vessel $\geq 70\%$ visual angiographic stenosis?

■ What proportion have significant proximal left anterior descending artery, proximal circumflex artery or proximal right coronary artery?

In your TAVR patients with concomitant coronary artery disease...preferred approach at your centre in 2019?



If a strategy of PCI is chosen to treat concomitant coronary artery disease, when is the PCI performed?



Currently 60% vs 40% at most North American Sites!

SYMPTOMATIC AS PATIENTS with at least 1 coronary artery lesion in a vessel that is **> 2.5 mm** in diameter with a **≥ 70%** visual angiographic* stenosis
AND Heart Team Consensus they are suitable for transfemoral TAVR and would receive a bypass if they were undergoing elective SAVR

*CT and Angiographic Core Labs

SUCCESSFUL TF TAVR WITH A BALLOON EXPANDABLE THV

Exclusion Criteria: Intent to revascularize (PCI or CABG) or prior CABG or PCI within 90 days

RANDOMIZATION within 24 hours
and Stratified for Intended Timing of PCI and Requirement for OAC:

COMPLETE REVASCULARIZATION

Guideline-directed medical therapy
Staged PCI of all lesions (1 – 45 days post TAVR)
Goal of complete revascularization in all qualifying lesions
N=2000

MEDICAL THERAPY

Guideline-directed medical therapy alone
No revascularization
N=2000

Antithrombotic Therapy

ASA 81 mg + Clopidogrel 75 mg for 6 months, then ASA alone lifelong

ASA 81 mg lifelong

If Requirement for OAC (usually AF)

Rivaroxaban 15 mg + clopidogrel 75 mg for 6 months, then
Rivaroxaban 20 mg alone lifelong

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MEDIAN FOLLOW-UP: 3.5 YEARS

PRIMARY OUTCOME: Composite of CV Death, New MI, Ischemia-Driven Revascularization, or Hospitalization for Unstable Angina or Heart Failure

SECONDARY OUTCOMES: Each component of the primary outcome taken separately, Angina Status, All-cause Mortality, Stroke, Cost-effectiveness, QOL, Bleeding, Contrast Associated Acute Kidney Injury, and Fluoroscopic Time/Contrast Utilization for Staged PCI if randomized to Complete Revascularization



Inclusion

- Men and women with severe **symptomatic aortic valve stenosis** defined as: $AVA \leq 1.0 \text{ cm}^2$ or $AVA \text{ index} \leq 0.6 \text{ cm}^2/\text{m}^2$ AND Jet velocity $\geq 4.0 \text{ m/s}$ or mean gradient $\geq 40 \text{ mmHg}$ AND NYHA Functional Class ≥ 2 OR Abnormal exercise test with severe SOB, abnormal BP response, or arrhythmia AND
- **Coronary artery disease** defined as at least 1 coronary artery lesion in a vessel that is $> 2.5 \text{ mm}$ in diameter and that is amenable to treatment with PCI and has at least a 70% visual angiographic diameter stenosis AND
- Consensus by the Multidisciplinary Heart Team that the patient is suitable for elective transfemoral TAVR with a balloon expandable transcatheter heart valve AND would receive a bypass with an anastomosis distal to the coronary artery lesion(s) if they were undergoing SAVR

Exclusion

- PCI already performed within 60 days or during elective transfemoral TAVR
- Planned revascularization of coronary artery lesion(s)
- Planned surgical revascularization
- Non-cardiovascular co-morbidity reducing life expectancy to < 5 years
- Any factor precluding 5-year follow-up
- Prior Coronary Artery Bypass Graft Surgery

Anatomical Exclusion Criteria

1. Aortic annulus diameter < 16 mm or > 28 mm (3D imaging)
2. Severe AR (> 3+) or MR (> 3+)
3. Severe LV dysfunction (LVEF < 30%)
4. Severe calcification of aortic valvar complex (esp. LVOT)
5. Vascular anatomy not suitable for safe femoral access
6. Low coronary takeoff (high risk for obstruction)

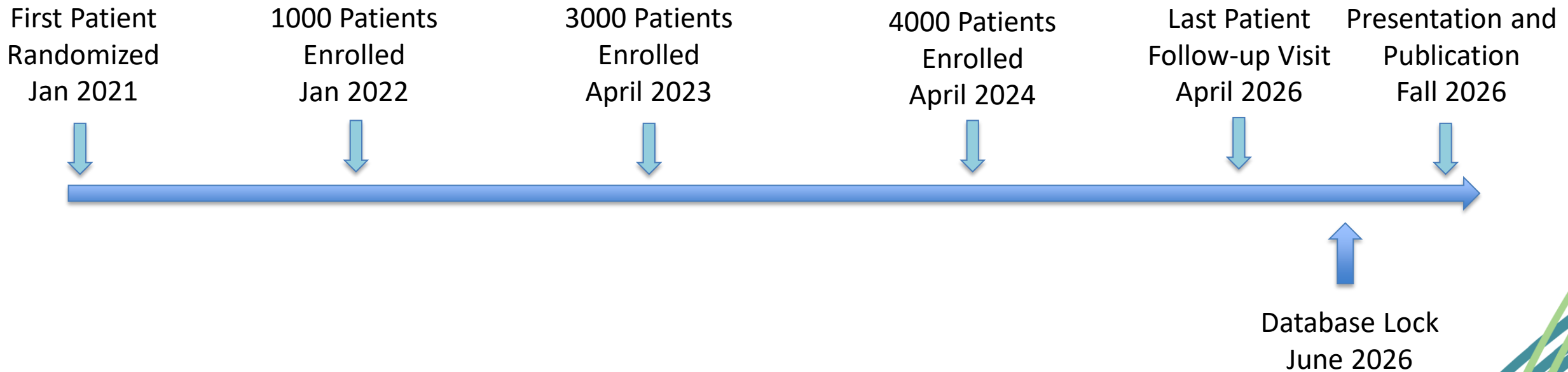
Clinical Exclusion Criteria

1. Acute MI within 1 month
2. Stroke or TIA within 90 days
3. Renal insufficiency (eGFR < 30 ml/min) and/or renal replacement Rx
4. Hemodynamic or respiratory instability
5. Frailty (objective assessment; > 2/4+ metrics)

Sample Size Calculation*

alpha:	0.05 (two-sided)
Power:	80%
Treatment allocation:	1:1
Annual control event rate:	6.2%
Treatment effect:	Hazard ratio=0.8
Recruitment period:	3 years (uniformly distributed)
Total follow-up time:	5 years
Loss to follow-up rate:	2% (by end of study)
Drop-in rate (Medical therapy alone to complete revascularization):	2.5%
Drop-out rate (Complete revascularization to medical therapy alone):	4%
Total sample size:	4,000

We will randomize 4000 patients at 103 North American sites with planned first randomization in January 2021, last patient enrolled in Spring 2024, and publication in Autumn 2026



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Summary

1. This will be the largest TAVR study to date and will have a median follow-up of 3.5 years. In addition to the main findings, we envision more than 20 Substudies including coronary access (4000 baseline core lab CT scans and 6000 core lab angiograms), antithrombotic therapies, stenosis severity, lesion location, intracoronary imaging, CT FFR, QOL, and cost effectiveness.
2. We believe there is clinical equipoise with regard to the benefit/risk of PCI.
3. All patients enrolled in COMPLETE TAVR will be elective (no ACS) and will have symptoms (either from the AS or concomitant CAD or both).
4. We believe the trial will strongly influence global coronary, transcatheter and surgical guidelines in 2026 regardless of the outcome.

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