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Four-year follow-up of the SYNTAX Trial: Optimal Revascularization Strategy in Patients with Three-vessel Disease and/or Left Main Disease

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Background: The SYNTAX trial was designed to compare percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI) with paclitaxel-eluting TAXUS Express stents versus coronary artery bypass surgery (CABG) for the treatment of 3-vessel (3VD) and/or left main coronary disease (LM). This analysis compares outcomes at 4 years.

Methods: SYNTAX is a randomized clinical trial with nested registries. A cardiac surgeon and interventional cardiologist screened consecutive patients with de novo 3VD and/or LM disease. The patient was randomized if amenable for equivalent revascularization with both treatments; otherwise, they were enrolled in a nested registry.

Results: At 1 year, MACCE and repeat revascularization were significantly higher in the PCI group. The rate of death/stroke/MI was similar between groups. After 3 years of follow-up, MACCE, repeat revascularization, MI and cardiac death were significantly increased in the PCI arm (Table). Death/stroke/MI and stroke were similar between the groups at 3 years (Table). MACCE at 3-years was similar between treatment arms in patients with low/intermediate SYNTAX Scores but significantly increased in PCI patients with high SYNTAX Scores. The full 4-year results will be available at the time of presentation.

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Methods: A total of 2779 patients, who received at least one stent during PCI and of whom data was available to calculate the ACEF score, were selected from Waves 4 (2004) and 5 (2006) of the NHLBI Dynamic Registry. The in-hospital and 3-year outcomes (mortality and MI) were prospectively collected and stratified according to the ACEF score tertiles.

Results: The ACEF tertiles were as low: LOW < 1.0477, 1.0477 ≤ MID < 1.3819, and HIGH ≥ 1.3819. An increasing trend in ACEF score was associated with increases in inhospital mortality (LOW = 0%, MID = 0.4%, HIGH = 2%; p<0.0001). Similarly, HIGH had the highest mortality at 3-year follow-up (figure). After adjustment for confounding variables, the relationship between high ACEF score and mortality at 3 years remained statistically significant.

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