# Vascular Access Management for Coronary & Peripheral Interventions: Strategies to Prevent Bleeding

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None related to this talk



 Hemorrhagic complications of cardiac catheterization remain one of the most common adverse outcomes of the procedure and create substantial patient risk.

 Bleeding complications far outweigh the cardiovascular complications.



## Radial Access





### **RIVAL Trial**

Table.

Comparison of the Radial and Femoral Approaches for Cardiac Catheterization

	Radial	Femoral
Percentage of Total Stent Procedures Performed in US	<4	>95
Bed rest, h	0	2-6
Procedural success, % <sup>*</sup>	95	95
Need to switch access site to complete procedure, %*	7.6	2.0
Major vascular complications, % <sup>*</sup>	1.4	3.7
Artery closure requiring surgery, %*	0	0
Patient prefers radial for next procedure, %*	90	50

 —\* Data from the largest randomized comparison between radial and femoral access sites: the Radial Versus Femoral Access for Coronary Angiography and Intervention in Patients With Acute Coronary Syndromes (RIVAL) trial.

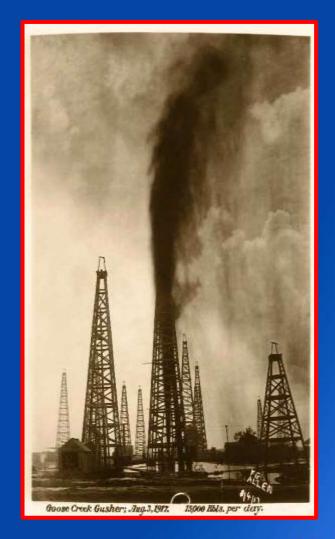






## The Gusher!







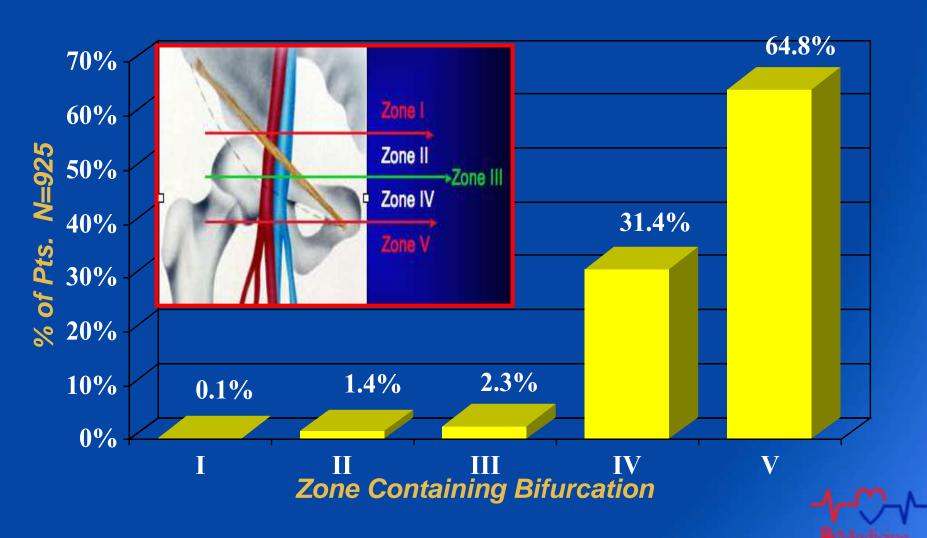
## Access Site



femoral artery. The inguinal crease may or may not be directly over the ligament.

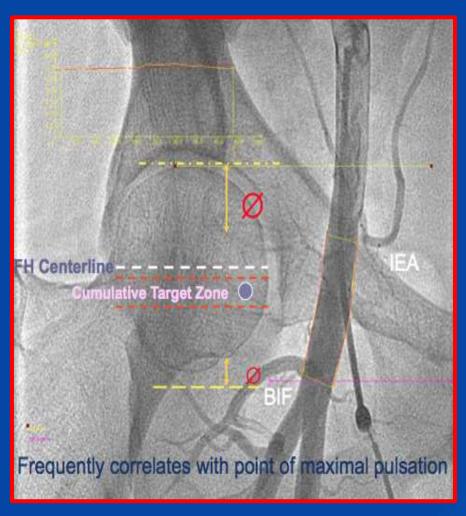
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## Level of CFA Bifurcation by Zone



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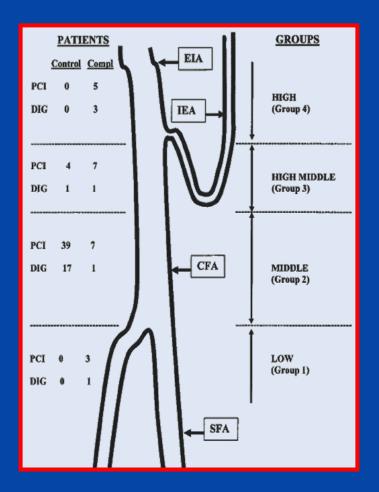
## Target Zone

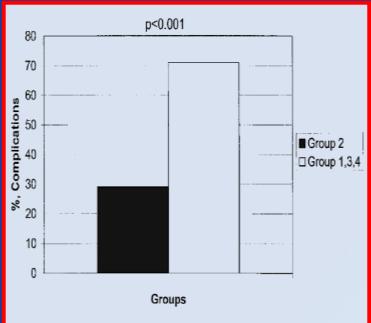






## Angiographic Predictors of Femoral Access Site Complications: Implication for planned Percutaneous Coronary Intervention





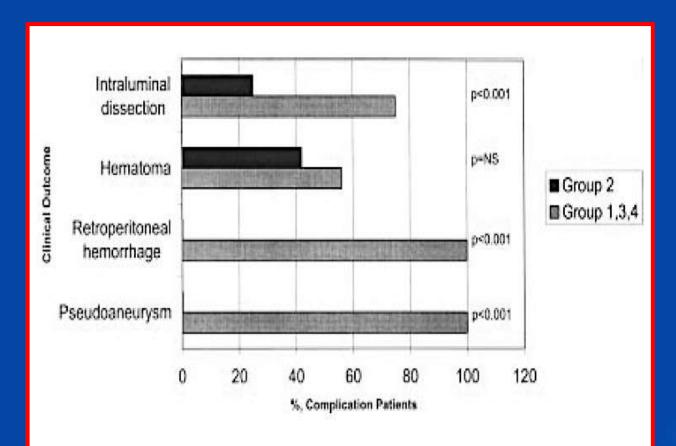


Fig. 3. Distribution of complication type based on abnormal arteriotomy (groups 1, 3, and 4) vs. normal arteriotomy (group 2).





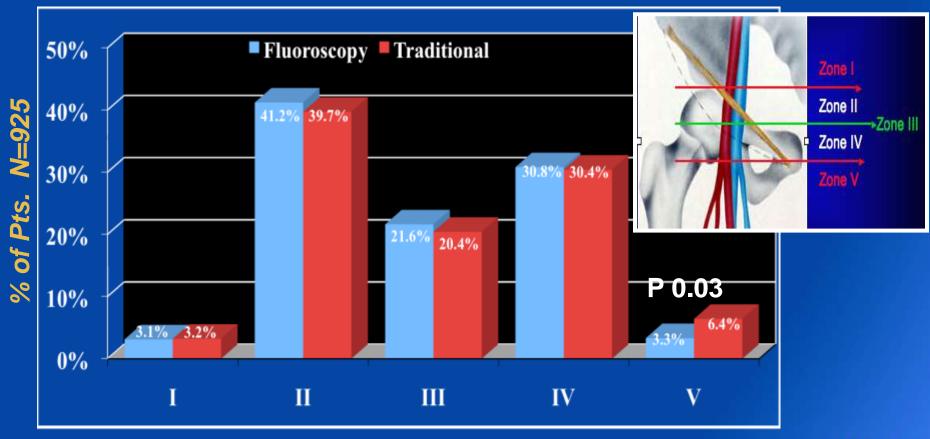


# Fluoroscopy vs. Traditionally Guided Femoral Artery Access During Cardiac Catheterization: Fluoro-Access Study.

A prospective randomized controlled Trial



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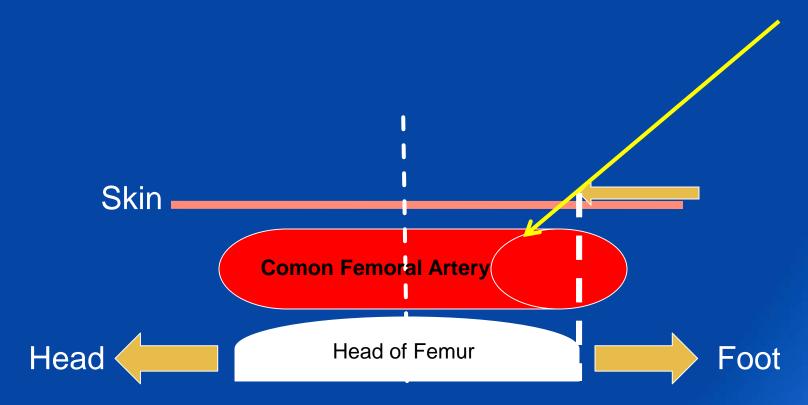


#### **Zone of Arterial Puncture**

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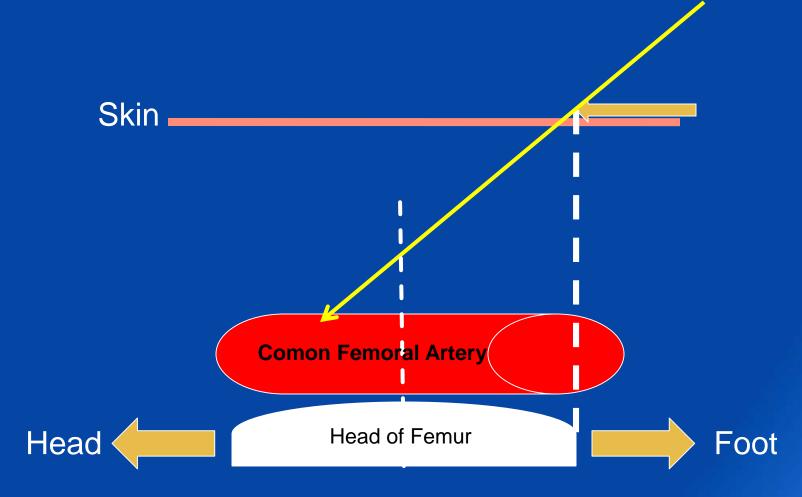


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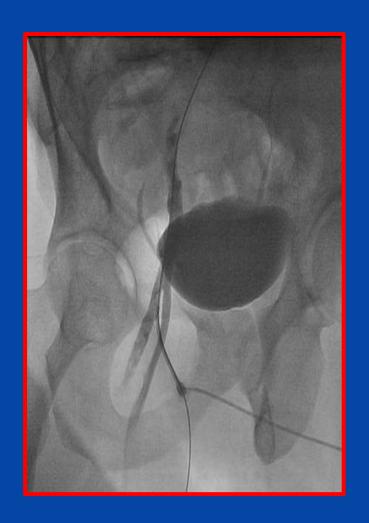


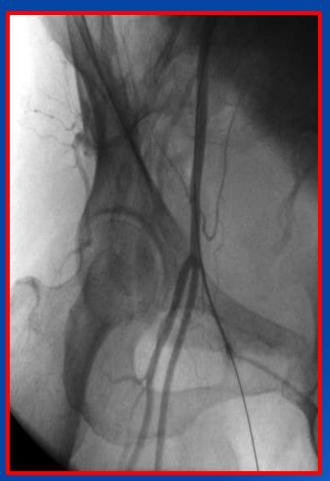
# The Femoral Arterial Access with Ultrasound Trial (FAUST)

A prospective randomized controlled trial of ultrasound guidance versus standard fluoroscopic technique in femoral access

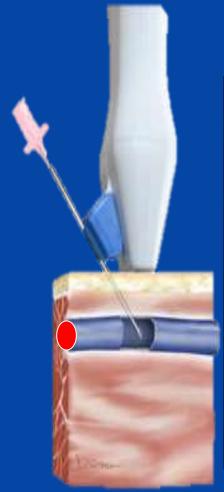


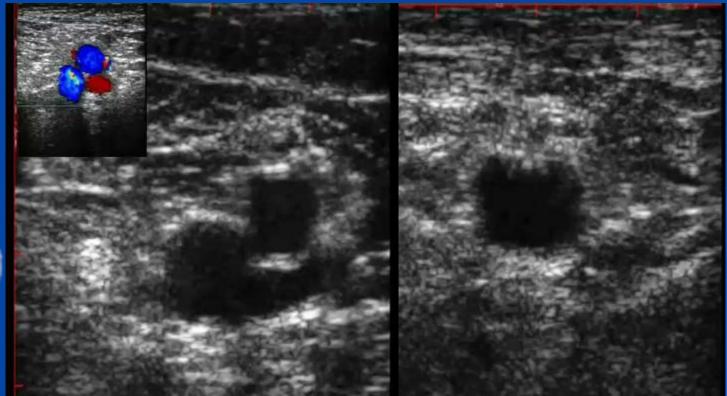
## The Goal





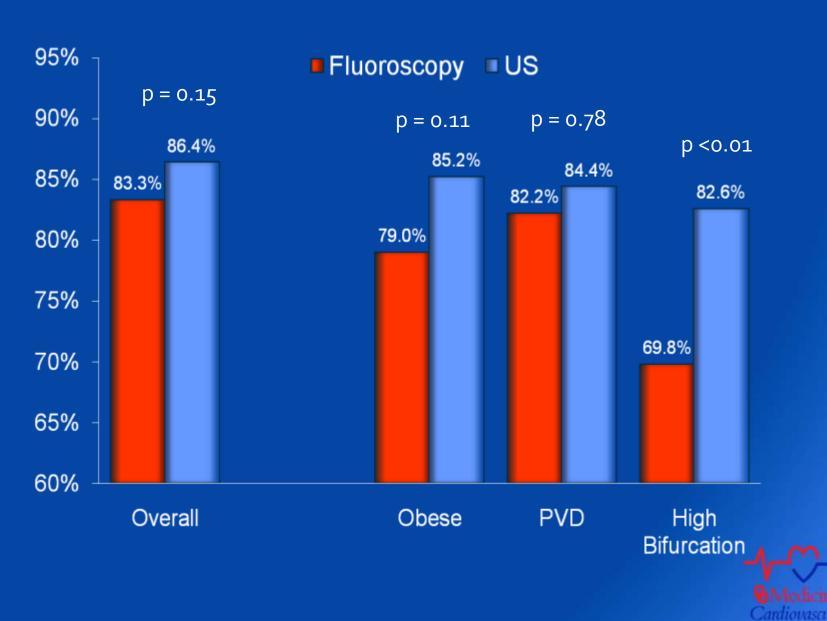








### **CFA Cannulation Success**



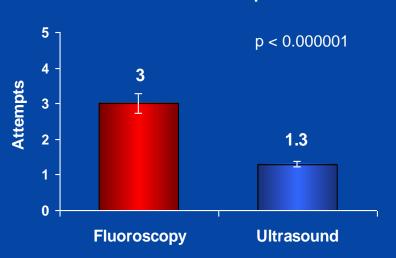
### **CFA Cannulation Success**

	Fluoroscopy	Ultrasound	P-value
High stick	24 (4.9)	33 (6.6)	0.25
CFA	408 (83.3)	431 (86.4)	0.15
Low stick	58 (11.8)	35 (7.0)	<0.01

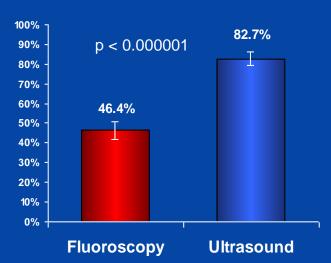


### Procedural Outcomes

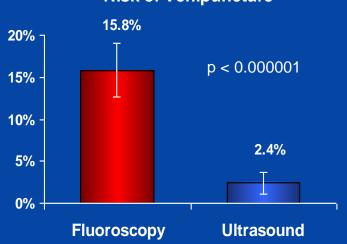
#### **Number of Attempts**



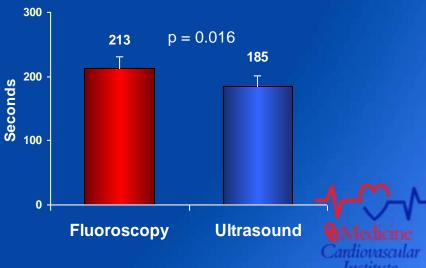
#### **First Pass Success Rate**



**Risk of Venipuncture** 





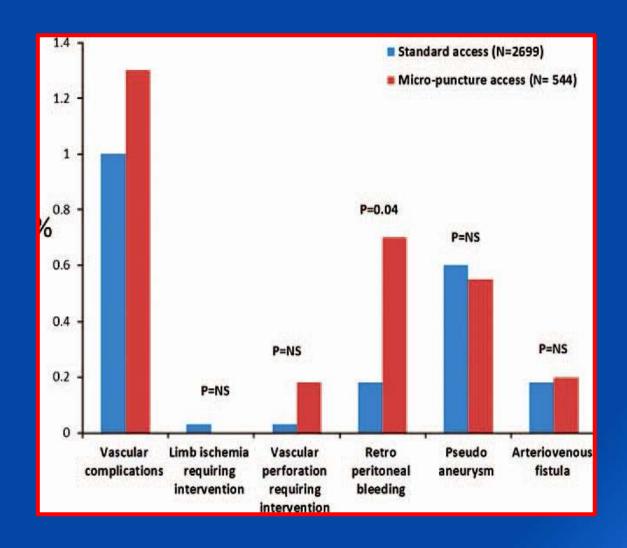


## Complications

Complication	Fluoroscopy N=501	Ultrasound N=503	P-value
Hematoma >5 cm*	11 (2.2%)	3 (0.6%)	0.034
Pseudoaneurysm	0	1	NS
Dissection	3	2	NS
Access bleeding, transfusion	2	1	NS
Hematoma, DVT	1	0	NS
Any complication	17 (3.4%)	7 (1.4%)	0.041

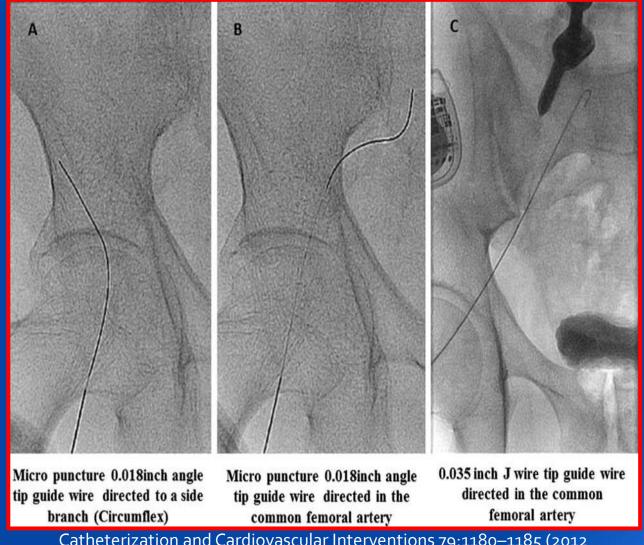


### Micro Puncture

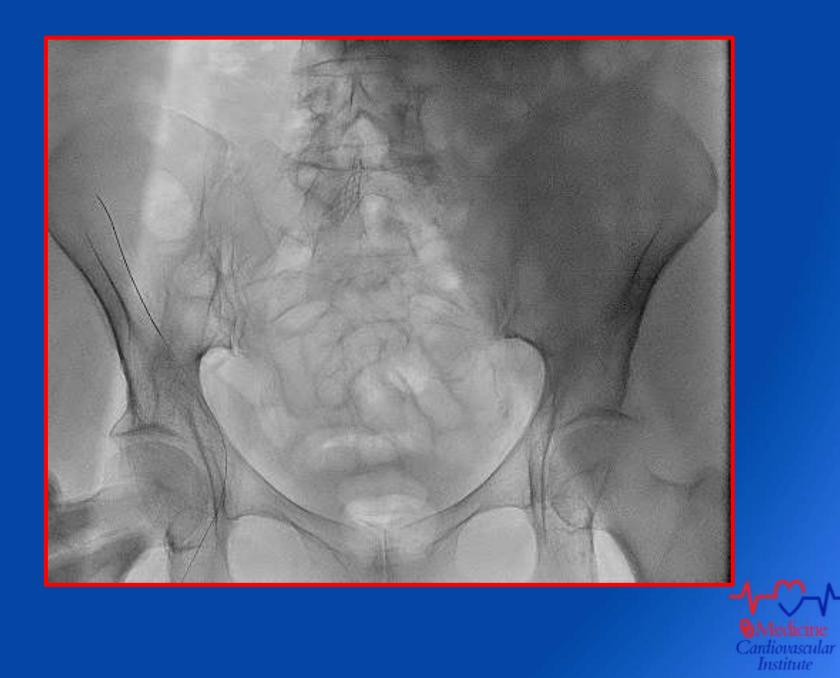




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After femoral access has been established, a femoral angiogram SHOULD be done to risk-stratify patients for vascular access complications.



## Femoral Angiogram





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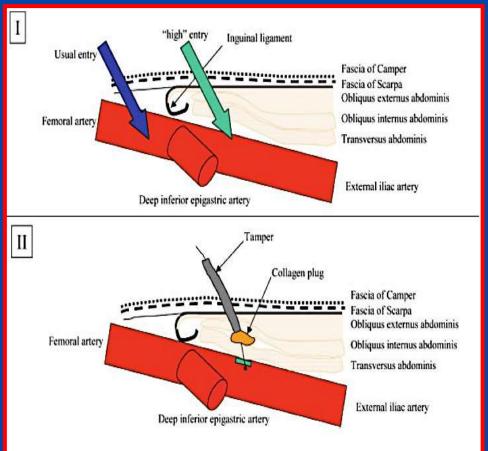
### Correlates & Outcomes of Retroperitoneal Hemorrhage Complicating Percutaneous Coronary Intervention

TABLE II. Independent Correlates of Retroperitoneal Bleeding				
	OR	95% CI	P-value	
Sheath placement superior to inferior epigastric artery <sup>a</sup>	17.6	2.21–141.63	< 0.001	
Female sex Angioseal <sup>TM</sup>	3.73 2.80	2.55–5.43 1.95–4.00	<0.001 <0.001	
GP IIb/IIIa inhibitor	1.92	1.31-2.82	0.001	
Weight (per kg)	0.987	0.976-0.997	0.014	
Acute MI	1.82	1.05–3.17	0.035	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>From the case control portion of the study only (analysis of other variables was from the entire patient cohort).



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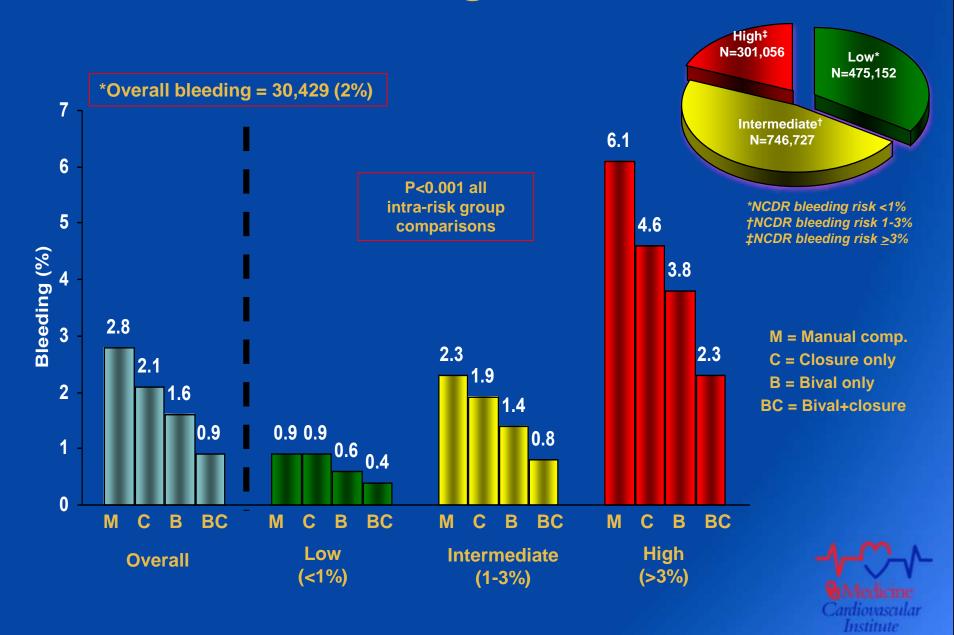


### Association Between Use of Bleeding Avoidance Strategies and Risk of Periprocedural Bleeding Among Patients Undergoing Percutaneous Coronary Intervention

NCDR® CathPCI Registry ®
Patients undergoing PCI via the femoral artery



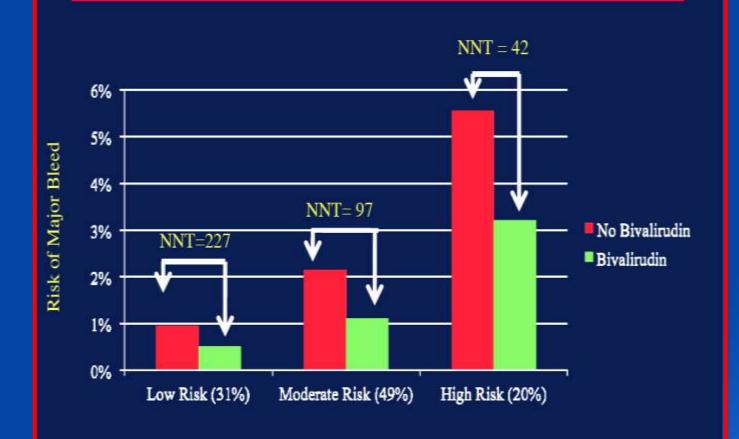
## Bleeding Rates\*



## Estimated Bleeding Reductions—All Patients (Propensity Adjusted)

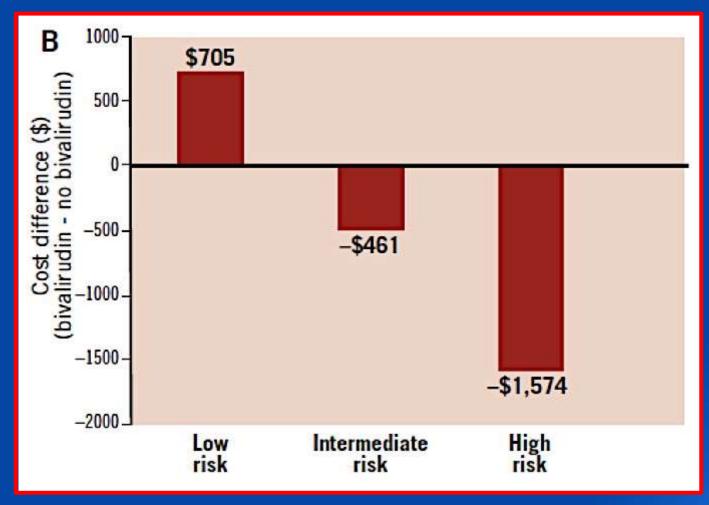
	Treatment (N)	Bleeding N (%)	Odds Ratio (95% CI)	NNT (95% CI)	Reduction in Bleeding Events per 1,000 Patients Treated (95% CI)
Manual compression	508,455	13,597 (2.7)	1 [Reference]		
Vascular closure devices	205,606	5,050 (2.5)	o.77 (o.73- o.8o)	148 (130- 175)	6.7 (5.7-7.7)
Bivalirudin	172,471	3,224 (1.9)	o.67 (o.63- o.70)	118 (107- 132)	8.5 (7.6-9.3)
Both	130,378	1,361 (1.0)	0.38 (0.35- 0.42)	70 (68- 74)	14.2 (13.5-14.8)
Total	1,016,910	23,232 (2.3)			

### Benefits of Bivalirudin by Bleeding Risk





## Cost per Patient of Bivalirudin Use







Use Common Sense



## Other Strategies

- 5F or 5/6F sheath/guides & 5F Swan
- Preclose for large access
- Venous access with ultrasound
- Patients with elevated INRs
- Final Coronary angiogram...







## The "Groin Group"

- Members from Cath Lab, CCRN, CCU staff nurse, outpatient unit nurse, and step-down unit nurse.
- Takes a zero tolerance attitude towards groin bleeds.
- Educate about techniques for preventing, recognizing, and managing groin bleeds.
- Systematic review and root cause analysis of groin bleeds and retroperitoneal hemorrhage.
- Every serious bleed should be reviewed in cath conference or otherwise disseminated among staff and physicians.

## Take Home Messages

- Team approach to reduce the incidence of bleeds as much as possible, improve their early recognition and prompt intervention.
- We must train ourselves to systematically review the entire groin study, not just the sheath entry site for closure device use.
- Bleeds are not just addressed at the time of sheath removal or when a hematoma forms; they must be anticipated and steps taken to avoid them at each step of the catheterization procedure.

### Thank You!

