

Limits of anatomy to predict physiology

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- Volcano Corporation

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“If you want new ideas,
read old books”

-*attributed* to Ivan P. Pavlov
(Russian *physiologist*, 1849-1936,
Nobel prize 1904, “Pavlov’s dog”)



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Coronary Pressure

From a Physiological Index to a Clinical Tool

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1995

“cardiologists continue to base major clinical decisions about coronary artery disease on inferences ... based largely on ... morphological data, such as provided by the coronary arteriogram”

1995

A



CT angiogram

angiogram

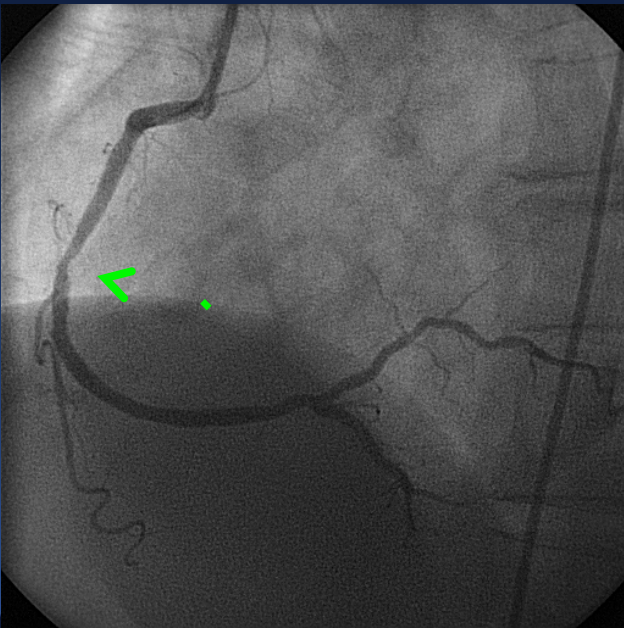
infer

significance



decision

Koo BK, JACC 58(19):1989, 2011, Figure 1, panel A



Invasive angiogram

A



CT angiogram

anatomy

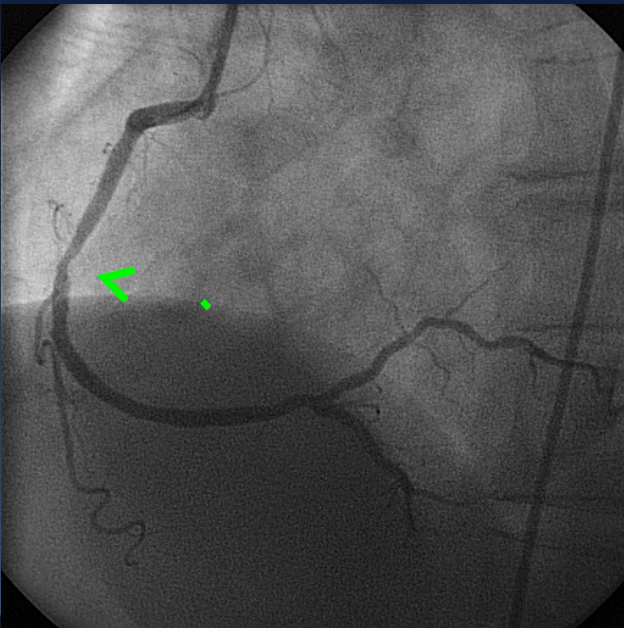
infer

(predict)



physiology

Koo BK, JACC 58(19):1989, 2011, Figure 1, panel A



Invasive angiogram

Anatomy to predict physiology

%DS linked to CFR – 1974

Stenosis flow reserve (SFR) – 1986

CT-modeled FFR (FFR_{CT}) – 2010

Anatomic predictions



accurate

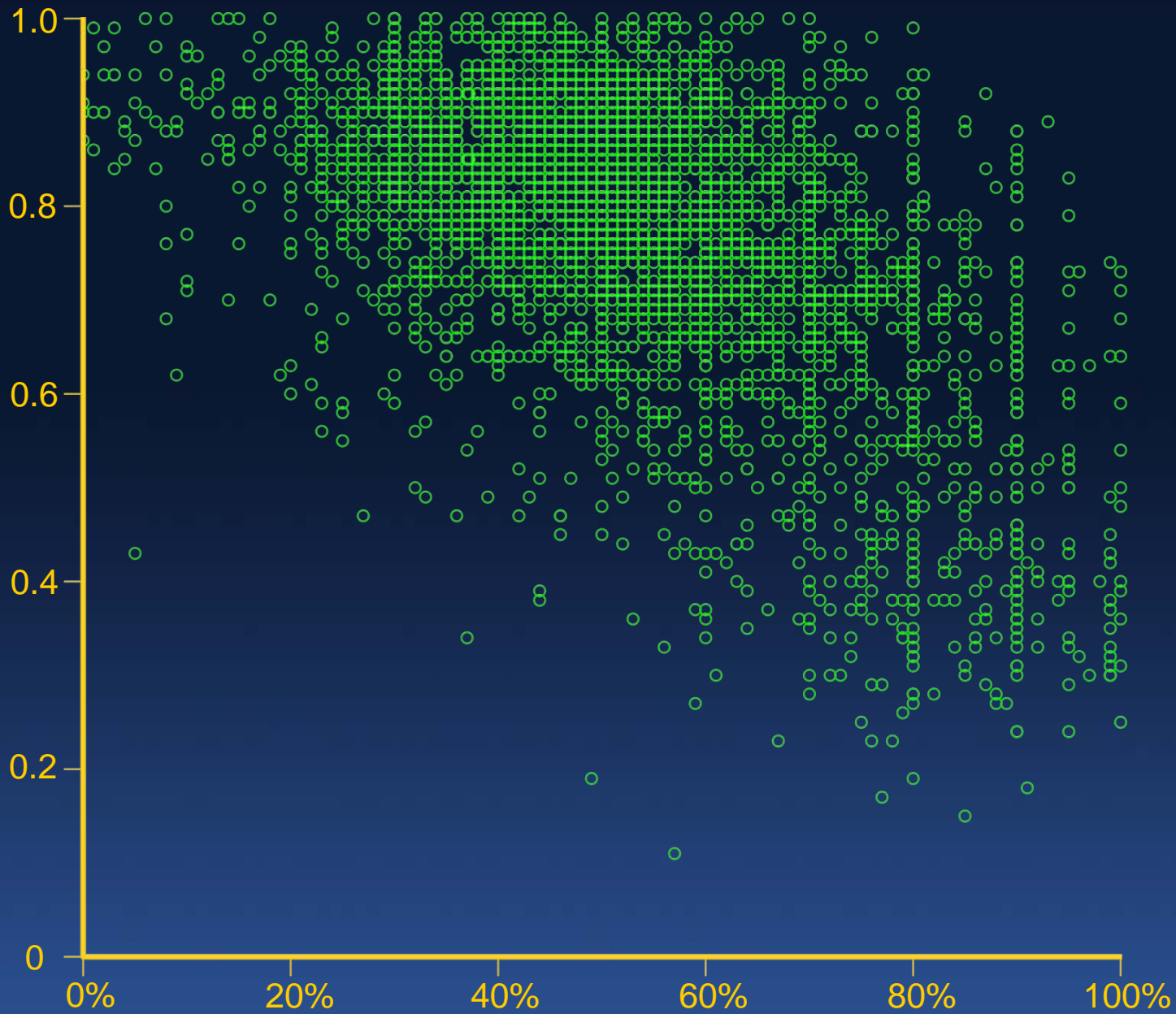
(work well
on *average*)



imprecise

(uncertain for an
individual)

Physiology variable (here FFR)

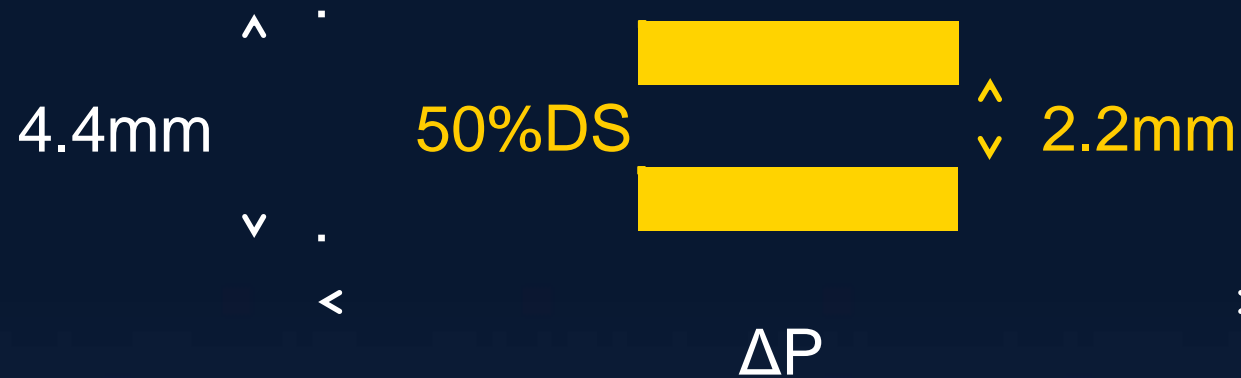


Anatomy variable (here %DS)

Measurement uncertainty

- CT angiography resolution ≈ 0.6 mm
- Invasive angiography ≈ 0.2 mm
- IVUS ≈ 0.1 mm
- OCT ≈ 0.02 mm
- Pressure wire ≈ 1 mmHg

“Left main” stenosis



Poiseuille law: $\Delta P \propto 1 / \text{radius}^4$

“Left main” stenosis



Relative error $\Delta P/P = 4 * \Delta \text{radius} / \text{radius}$

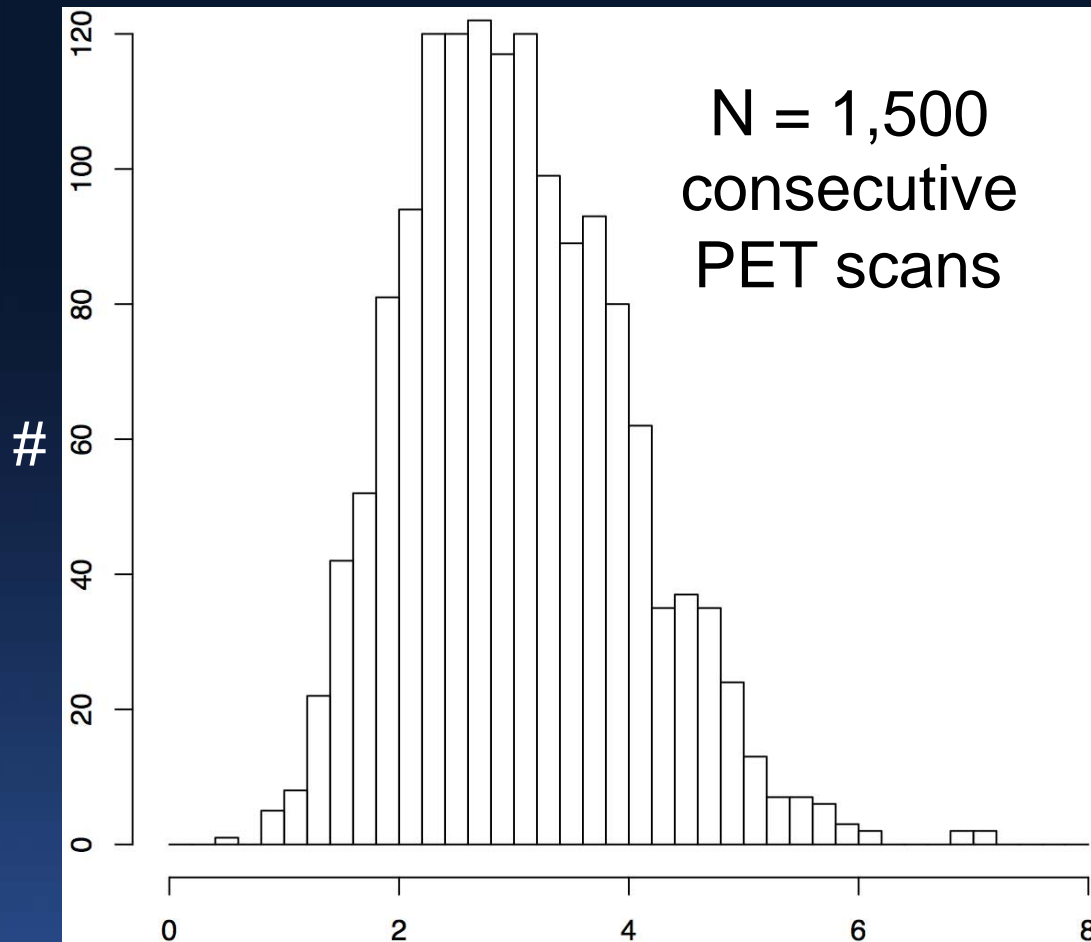
- CTA = $4 * 0.6 / 1.1 = 218\%$ error in ΔP
- Invasive = $4 * 0.2 / 1.1 = 73\%$
- IVUS = $4 * 0.1 / 1.1 = 36\%$
- OCT = $4 * 0.02 / 1.1 = 7\%$

Test/retest repeatability

- FFR ± 0.02
- %DS $\pm 5-8\%$ by QCA
- MLA $\pm 0.3-0.6 \text{ mm}^2$
- MLD $\pm 0.1-0.3 \text{ mm}$

Johnson NP, *Circ Cardiovasc Imaging* 6(5):817, 2013, summary of Table 1

Biologic variability



Average CFR for entire LV

group vs **individual**

mode = 2.72 (most common)

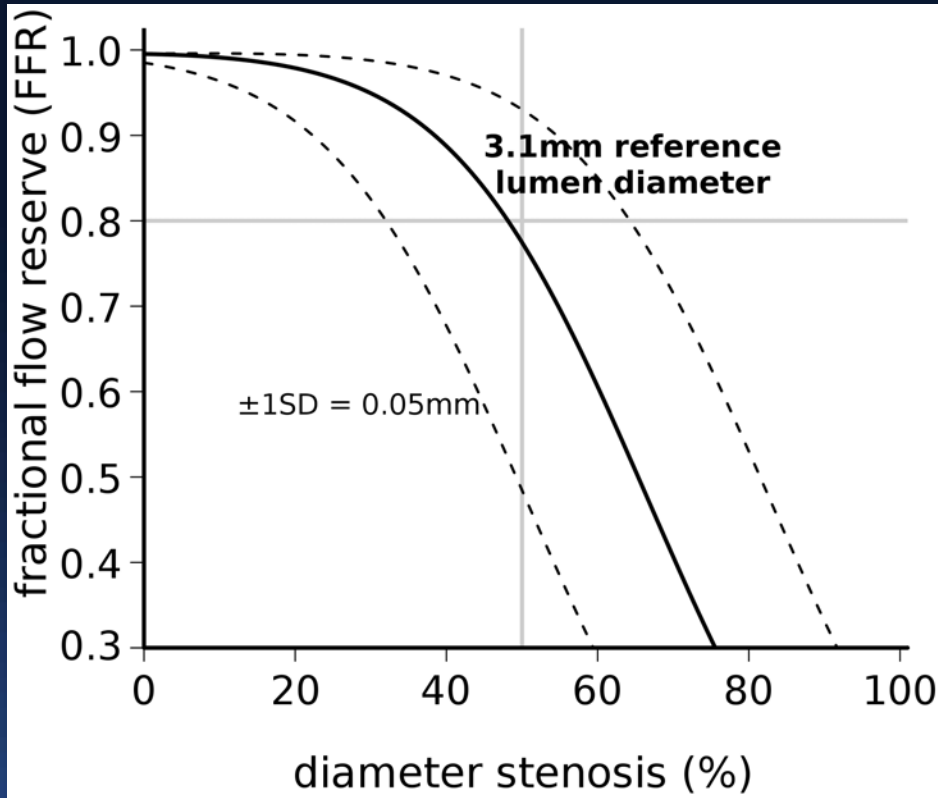
mean = 3.04 ± 0.97

median = 2.95 (IQR 2.32-3.68)

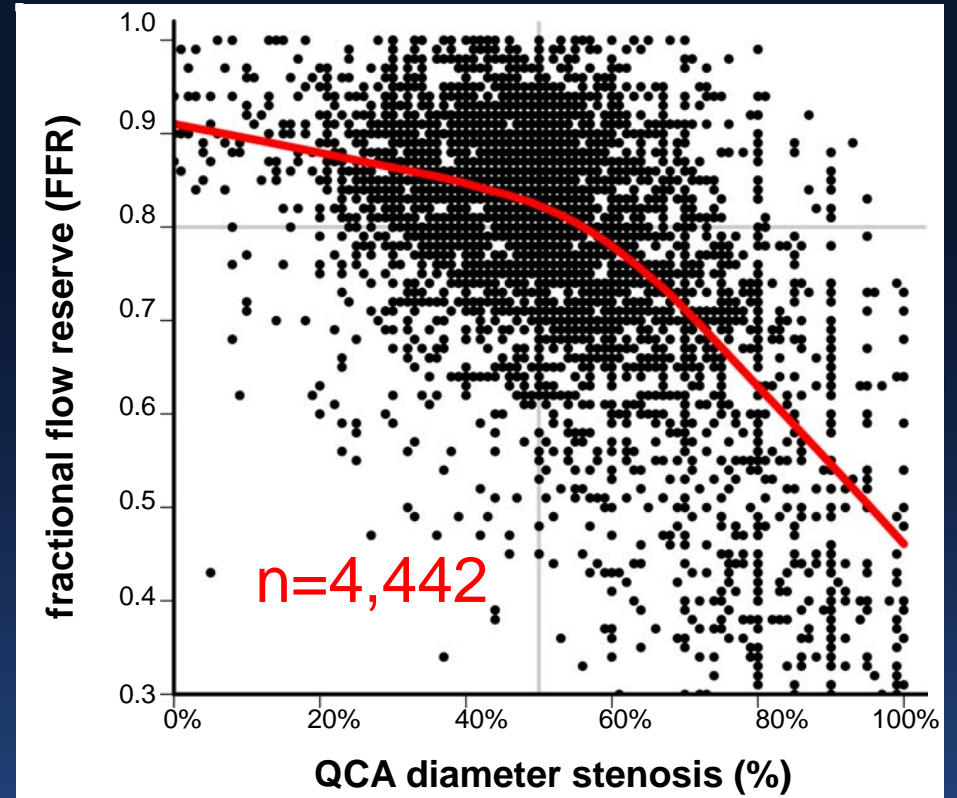
range from 0.58 to 7.13

Johnson NP, *JACC Cardiovasc Imaging* 5(4):430, 2012, unpublished data

%DS



Johnson NP, *Circ Cardiovasc Imaging* 6(5):817, 2013, Figure 1A



Unpublished, multicenter data

%DS



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ESC GUIDELINES

2013 ESC guidelines on the management of stable coronary artery disease

The traditional understanding of SCAD is that of a disease causing exercise- and stress-related chest symptoms due to narrowings of $\geq 50\%$ in the left main coronary artery and $\geq 70\%$ in one or several of the major coronary arteries.

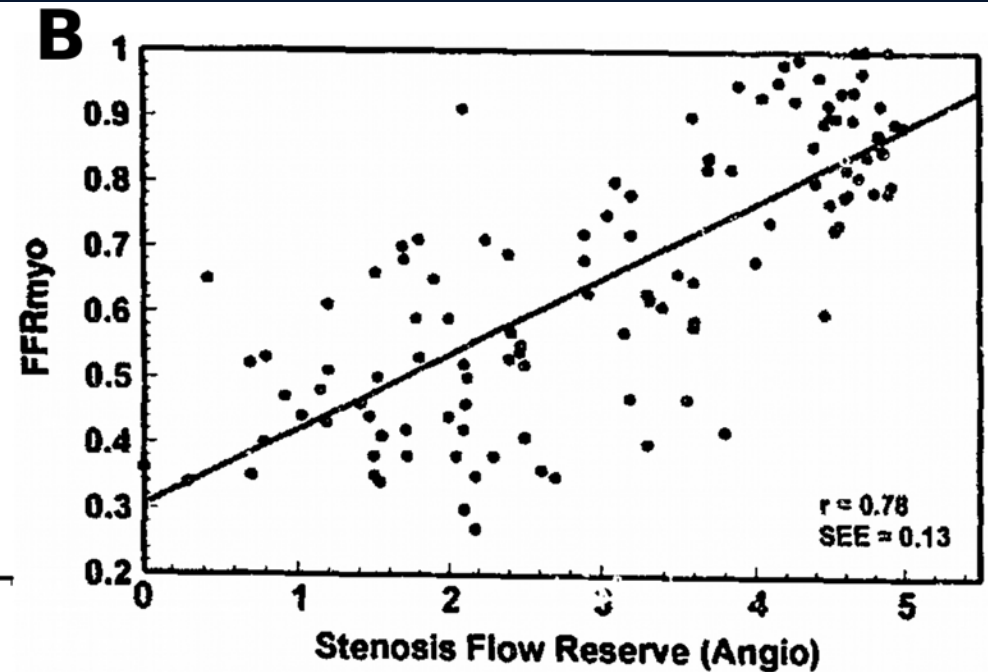
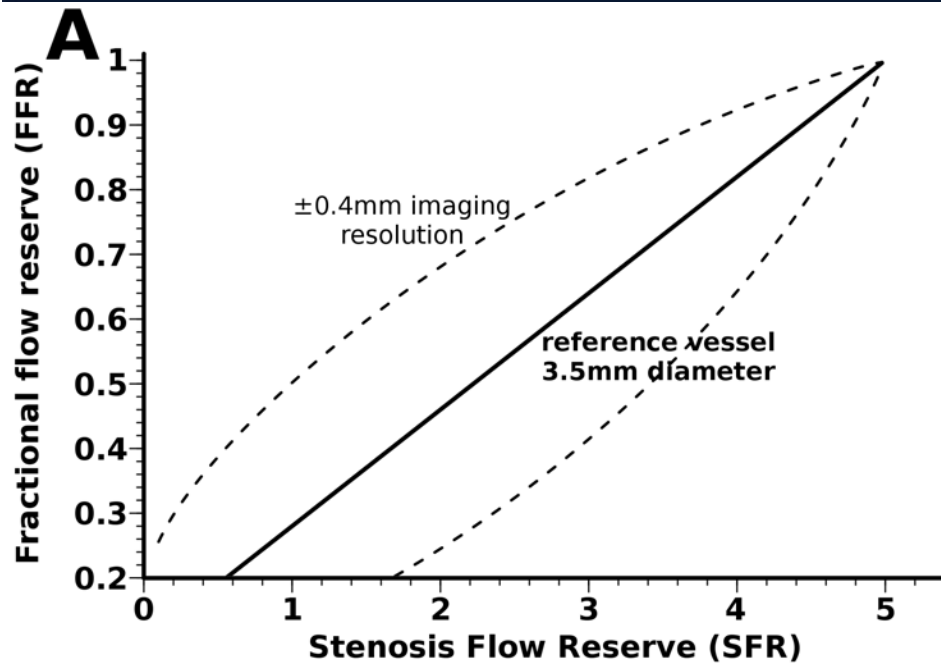
Stenosis flow reserve (SFR)

- Introduced in 1986
- Gould and Kirkeeide
- Anatomy from **QCA**
- *Modeled* **CFR**
- Commercially available from Philips

CT-modeled FFR (FFR_{CT})

- Introduced in 2010
- Taylor and colleagues
- Anatomy from **CT angiogram**
- *Modeled* **FFR**
- Commercial distribution by HeartFlow
(not yet in USA)

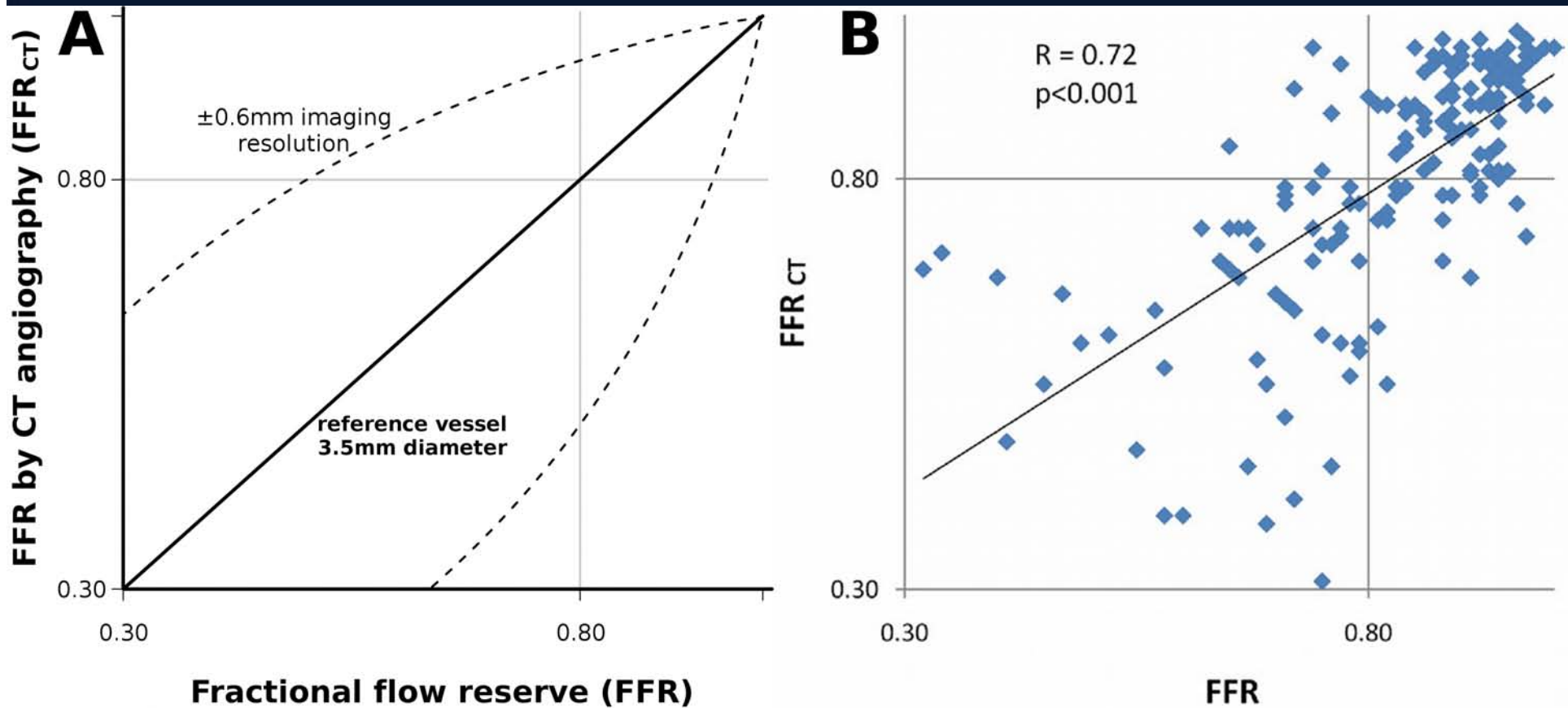
QCA-modeled CFR



Johnson NP, *Circ Cardiovasc Imaging* 6(5):817, 2013, Figure 3A

Bartunek J, *JACC* 26(2):328, 1995, Figure 3 (bottom)

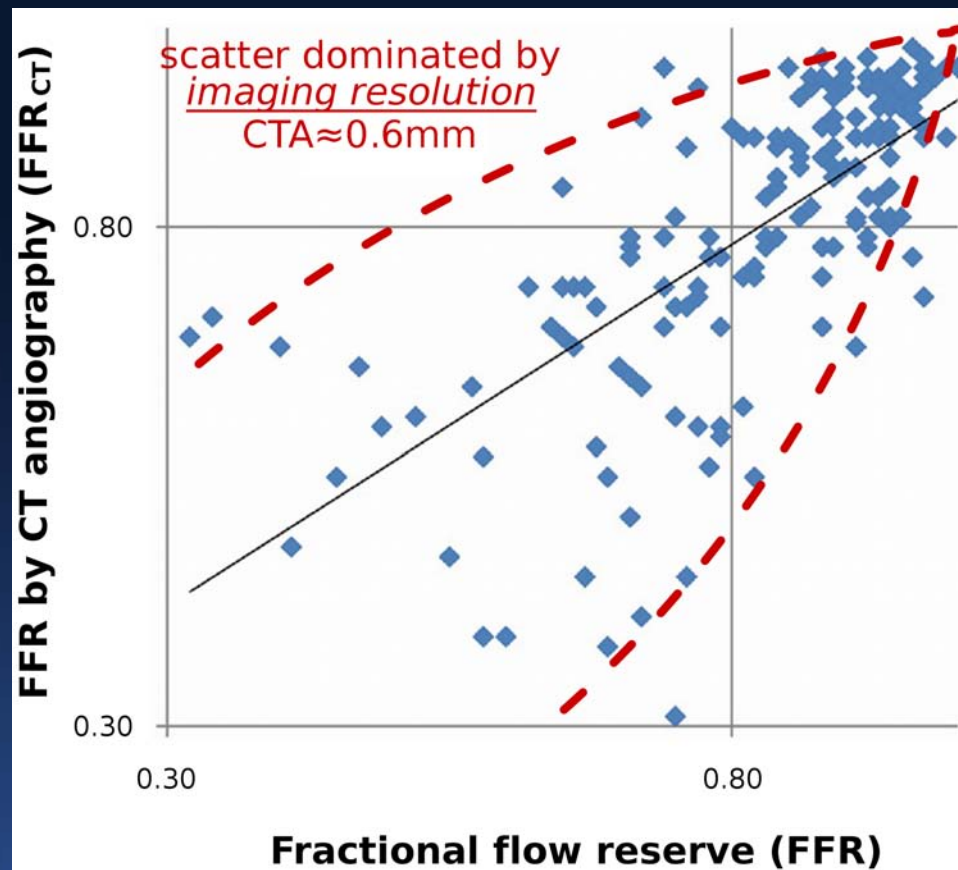
CT-modeled FFR



Johnson NP, *Circ Cardiovasc Imaging* 6(5):817, 2013, Figure 4A

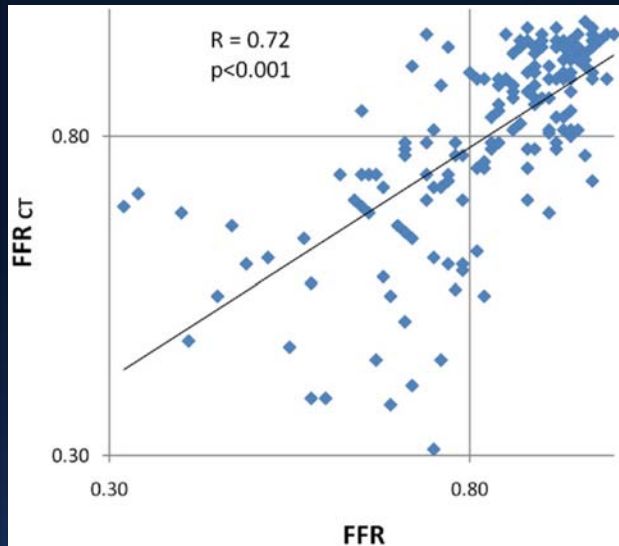
Koo BK, *JACC* 58(19):1989, 2011, Figure 4

CT-modeled FFR

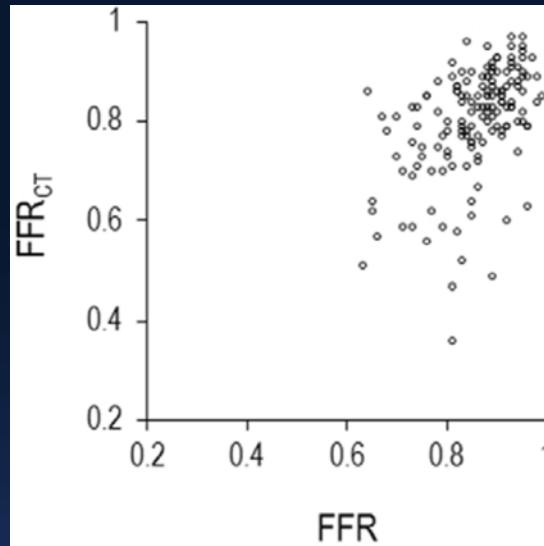


Johnson NP, *Circ Cardiovasc Imaging* 6(5):817, 2013, Figure 5A

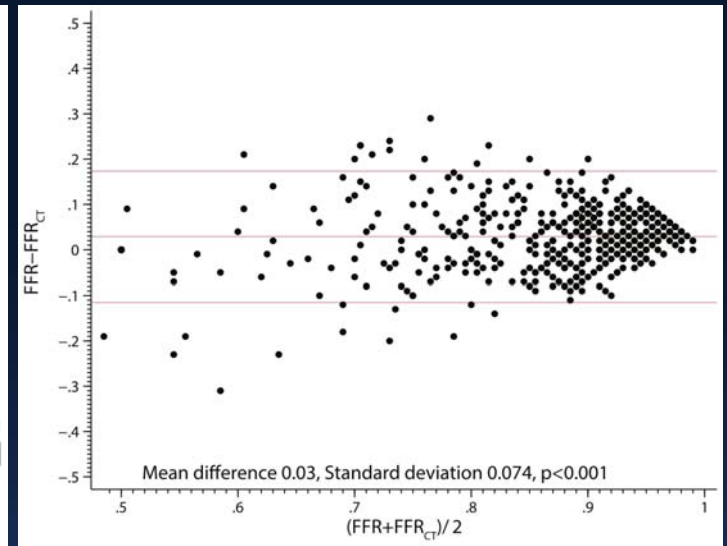
CT-modeled FFR



DISCOVER-FLOW
(2011)



DeFACTO
(2012)



NXT
(2013)

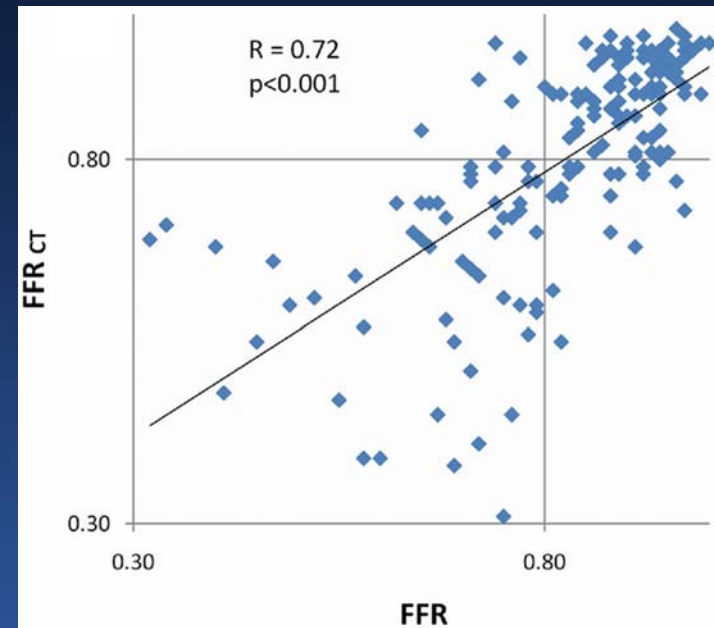
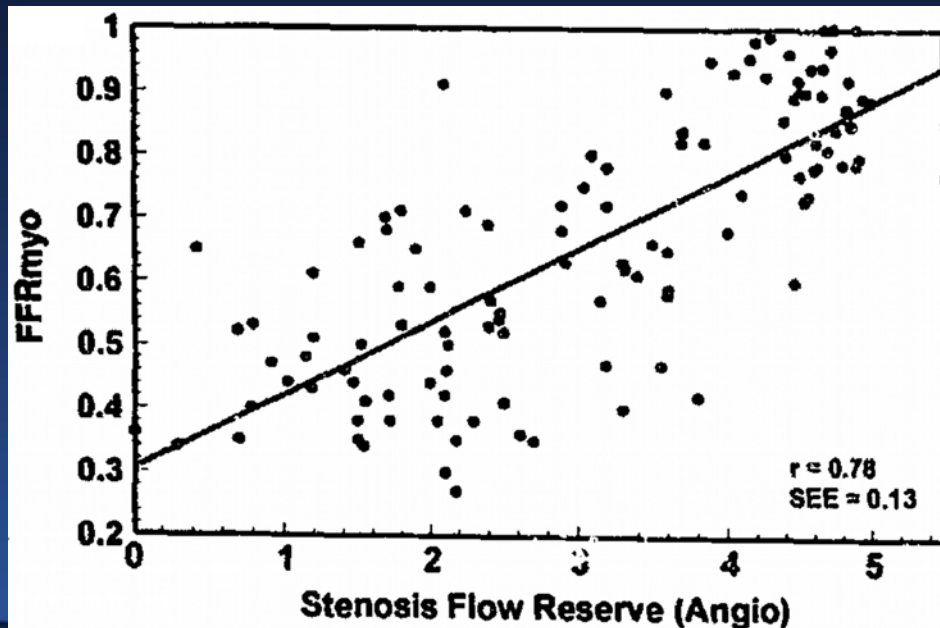
DISCOVER FLOW = Koo BK, *JACC* 58(19):1989, 2011, Figure 4

DeFACTO = Nakazato R, *Circ Cardiovasc Imaging* 6(6):881, 2013, Figure 1A

NXT = Nørgaard BL, *JACC* 63(12):1145, 2014, Figure 3

Physiology models

<u>Model</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>Correlation</u>	<u>AUC</u>	<u>Accuracy</u>	
SFR	Bartunek	1995	110	0.78	0.89	84%	< .
	Di Mario	1996	21	0.57	0.87	80%	little Δ
FFR _{CT}	DISCOVER-FLOW	2011	159	0.68	0.90	84%	in 20 yrs
	DeFACTO	2012	407	0.63	0.81	69%	
	NXT	2014	251	0.82	0.90	81%	< .



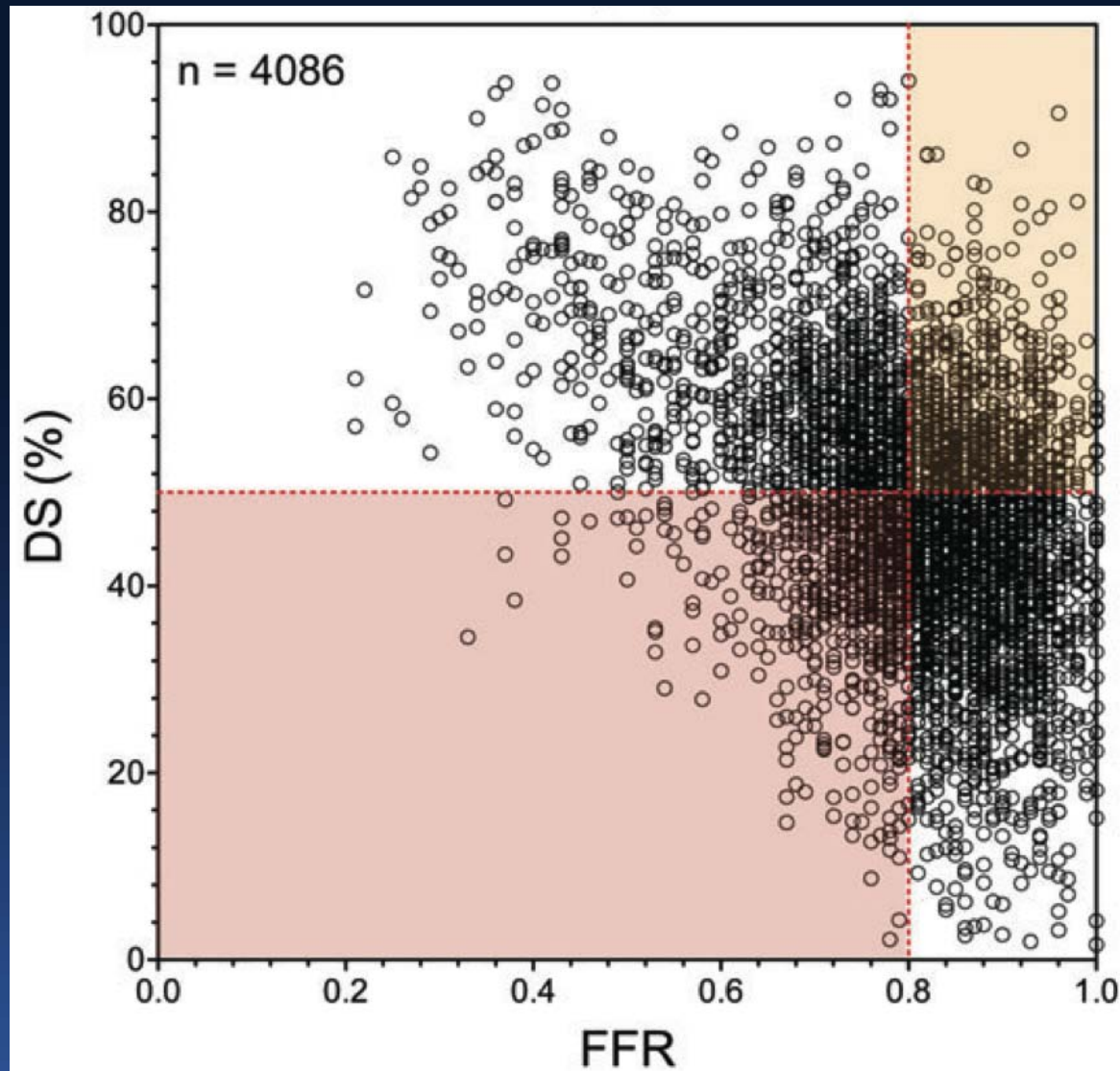
Coronary Pressure

From a Physiological Index to a Clinical Tool

“Albeit often statistically significant, the correlations between angiographic and functional indices ... are too weak to be clinically relevant”

1995

“too weak to be clinically relevant”



Toth G, *Eur Heart J.* 2014 Mar 18. [Epub ahead of print], Figure 1A