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# Preoperative intraaortic balloon counterpulsation in high-risk CABG

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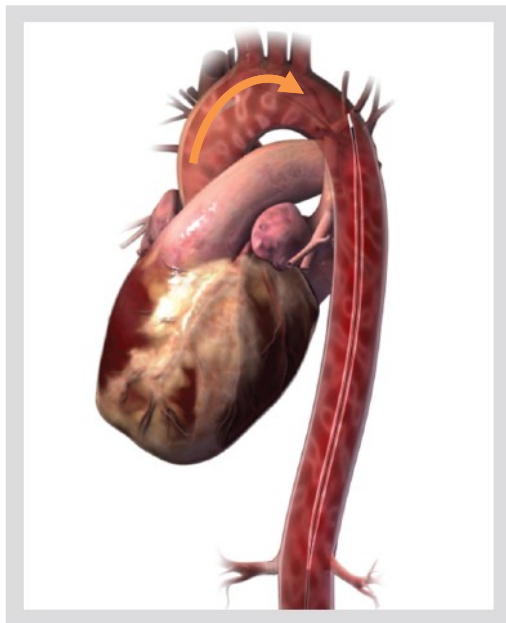
## Preoperative IABP in high-risk CABG – Questions?? –

- ♥ Useful?
- ♥ Definition of “High-risk”?
- ♥ Pre-OP/Intra-OP/Post-OP?
- ♥ Complication vs Benefit?
- ♥ Mortality?
- ♥ Morbidity?

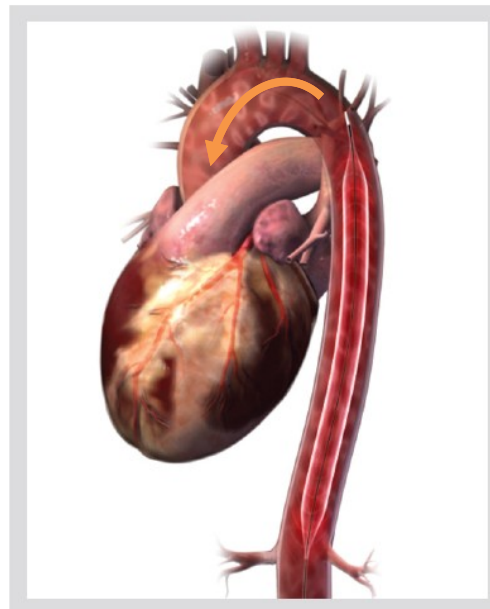


## Effects of IABC

- ♥ Increase cardiac output
- ♥ Increase coronary perfusion
- ♥ Increase myocardial oxygen supply
- ♥ Decrease afterload
- ♥ Decrease cardiac work
- ♥ Decrease myocardial oxygen consumption



Deflate



Inflate

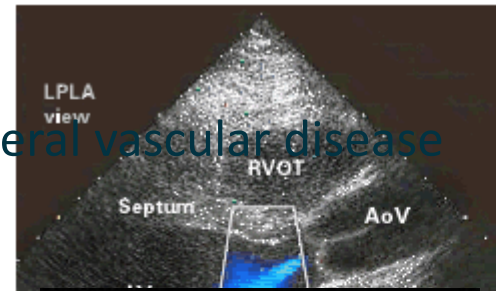


## Indications

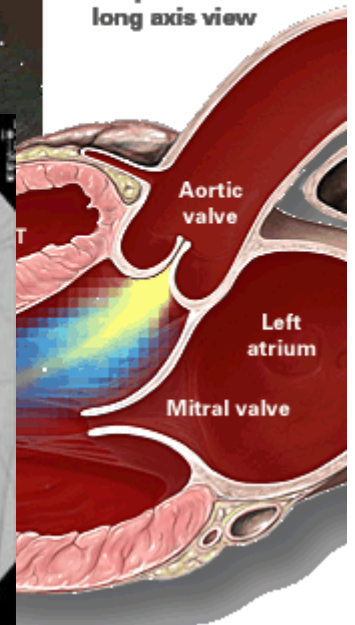
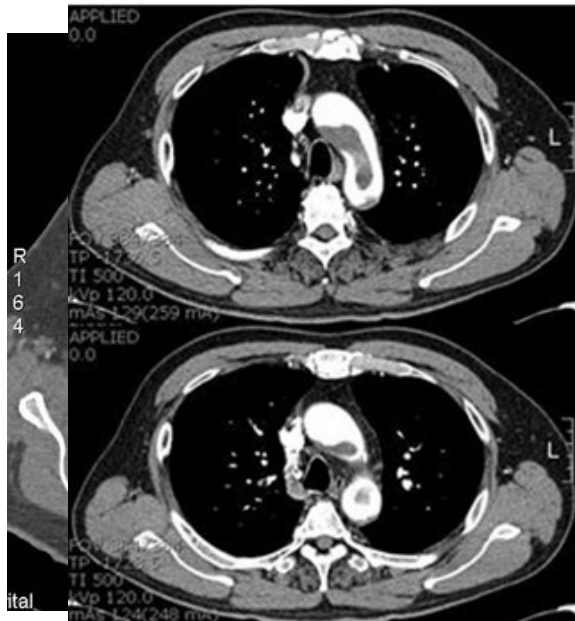
- ♥ Cardiac failure after a cardiac surgical procedure
- ♥ Refractory angina despite maximal medical management
- ♥ Cardiogenic shock/Acute MI
- ♥ Mitral regurgitation
- ♥ Perioperative treatment of complications due to myocardial infarction
- ♥ Failed PTCA
- ♥ As a bridge to cardiac transplantation
- ♥ **Elective: Prior to high-risk CABG**

## Contraindications

- ♥ Severe aortic insufficiency
- ♥ Aortic aneurysm (thoracic or abdominal)
- ♥ Aortic dissection
- ♥ Severe calcific aorta-iliac disease or peripheral vascular disease
- ♥ Thromboembolism

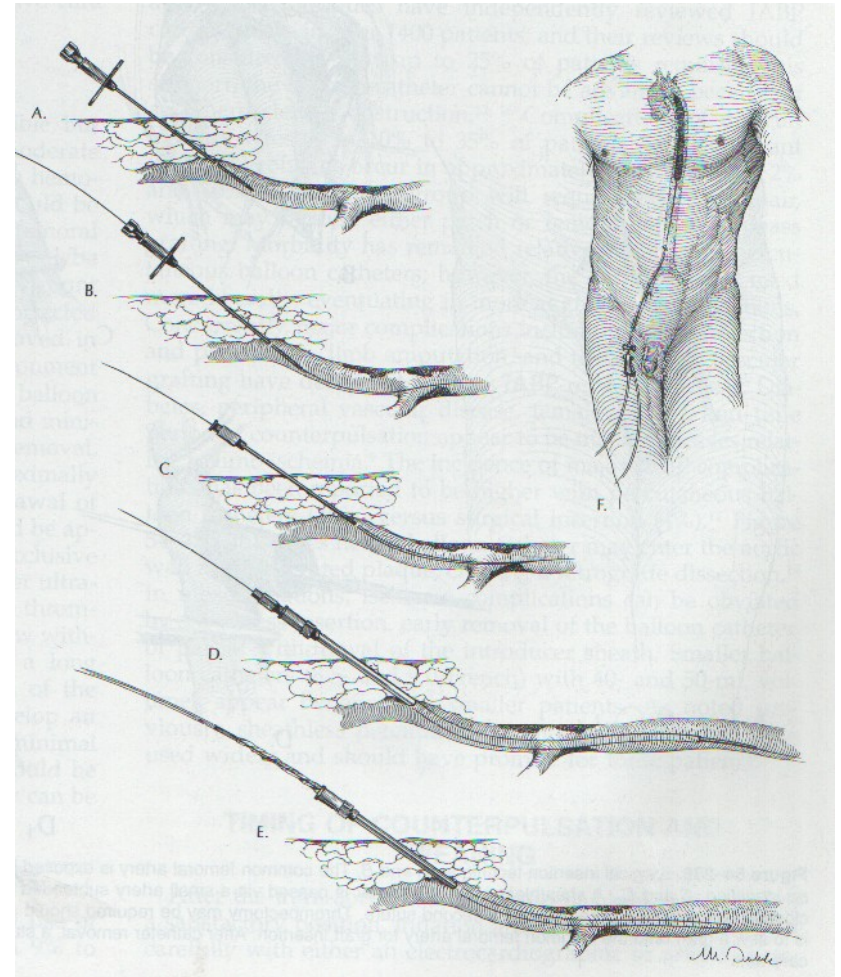


Left parasternal long axis view



## IABP Insertion

- ♥ Percutaneous
  - ♥ Sheath less
- ♥ Surgical insertion
  - ♥ Femoral cut down
  - ♥ Trans-thoracic



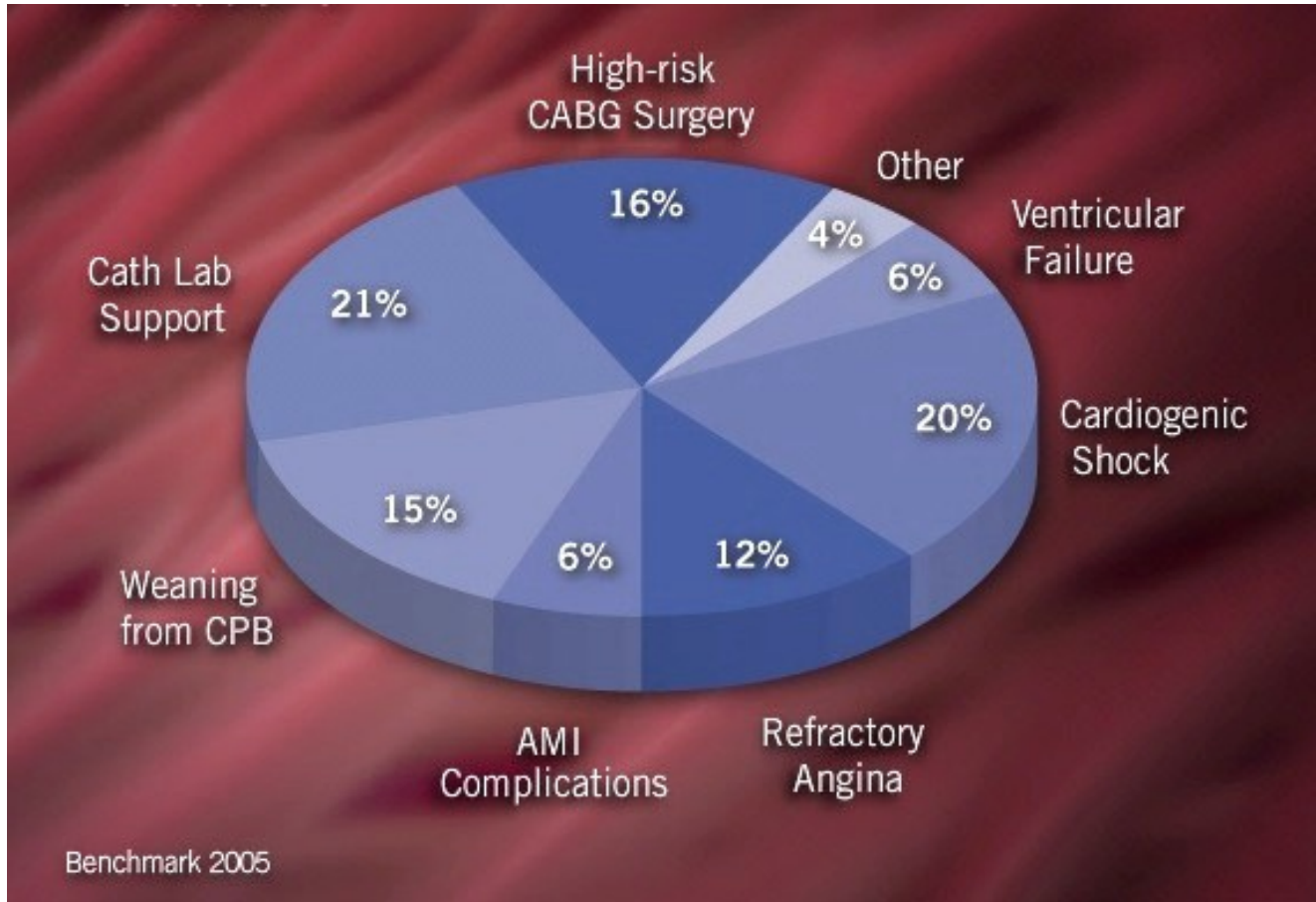
## IABP Complications

- ♥ Limb ischemia
- ♥ Thrombosis
- ♥ Emboli
- ♥ Bleeding at the insertion site
- ♥ Groin hematomas
- ♥ Aortic perforation and/or dissection
- ♥ Renal failure and bowel ischemia
- ♥ Neurologic complications including paraplegia
- ♥ Infection





## IABC Clinical Indications





## IABC in High-Risk CABG

- ♥ ~700.000 CABG procedures/year
- ♥ ~10% high-risk (?)
- ♥ No consensus on the definition of high-risk CABG pts.
- ♥ Low cardiac output post-CABG: ~2-9%
- ♥ No real consensus who may benefit from IABC

- ✓ low ejection fraction.... (*how low?*)
- ✓ advanced age... (*how old?*)
- ✓ left main stenosis.... (*grade?*)
- ✓ redo operation
- ✓ Unstable angina
- ✓ recent myocardial infarction
- ✓ New York Heart Association III-IV class



# 2011 ACCF/AHA Guideline for Coronary Artery Bypass Graft Surgery

A Report of the American College of Cardiology Foundation/  
American Heart Association Task Force on Practice Guidelines

JACC Vol. 58, No. 24, 2011

## CLASS IIa

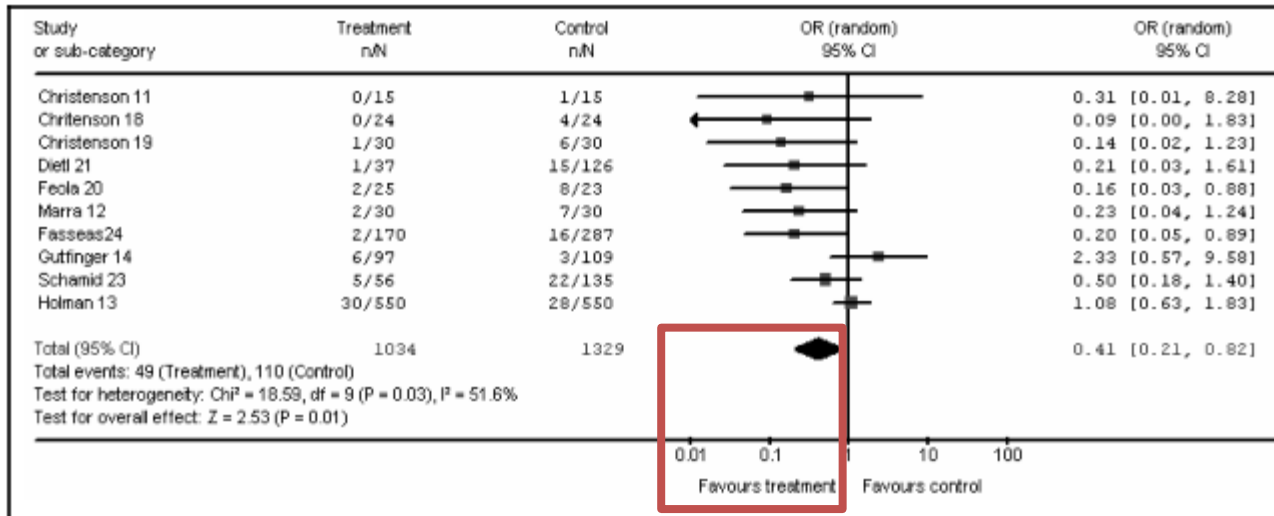
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## Prophylactic IABP Placement

## – META-ANALYSIS –

- Pre-Op IABP placement vs intra-, post- or no IABP placement
- Outcome
  - Hospital mortality (primary)
  - IABC-related complications (secondary)



IABC-related complications: 3.7%

IABC related Mortality: 0%

Figure 1. Meta-analysis of randomized controlled trials and cohort studies, and effect on hospital mortality.

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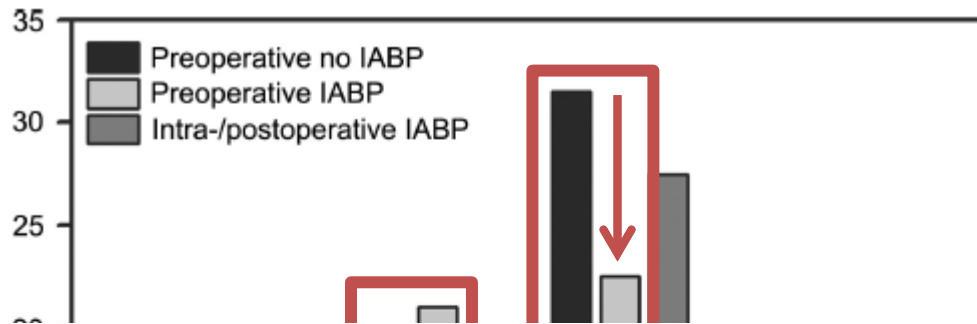


## IABP Placement in high-risk CABG pts. directed by EuroSCORE

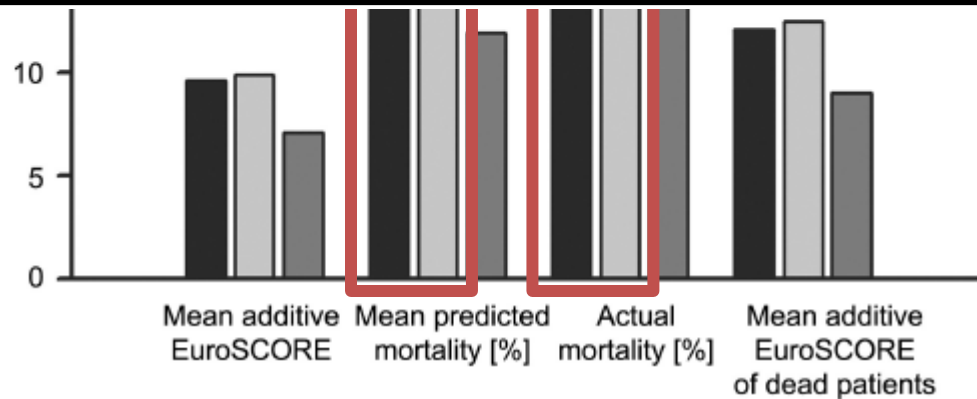
– SINGLE-CENTER –

- EuroSCORE developed for prediction of early mortality after cardiac surgery
- 267 high-risk pts. (EF<40%, unstable angina, left main stenosis + RCA >70%)
  - No preoperative IABC (92pts)
  - Preoperative IABC (62 pts)
  - Intra- or postoperative IABC (113 pts)

## IABP Placement in high-risk CABG pts. directed by EuroSCORE – SINGLE-CENTER –



**→ Preoperative IABC placement reduces mortality**





## Prophylactic IABP Placement in high-risk CABG pts.

– SINGLE-CENTER –

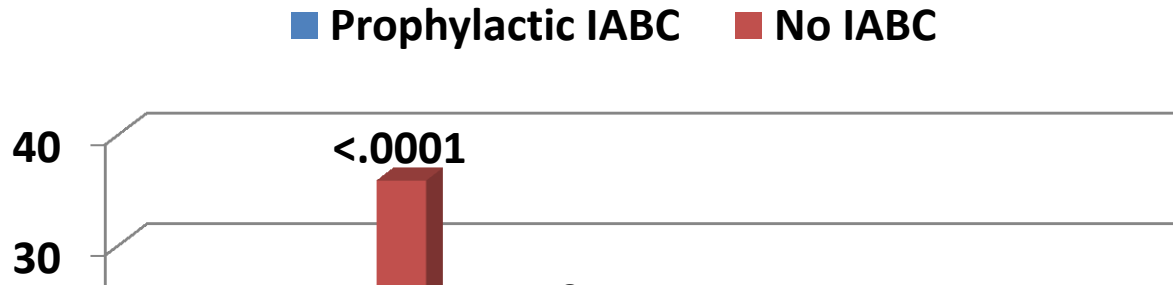
### ➤ 141 high-risk CABG pts.

- unstable angina
- EF  $\leq$  40%
- left main stenosis  $\geq$  70%
- previous CABG
- 4 or more planned distal anastomosis

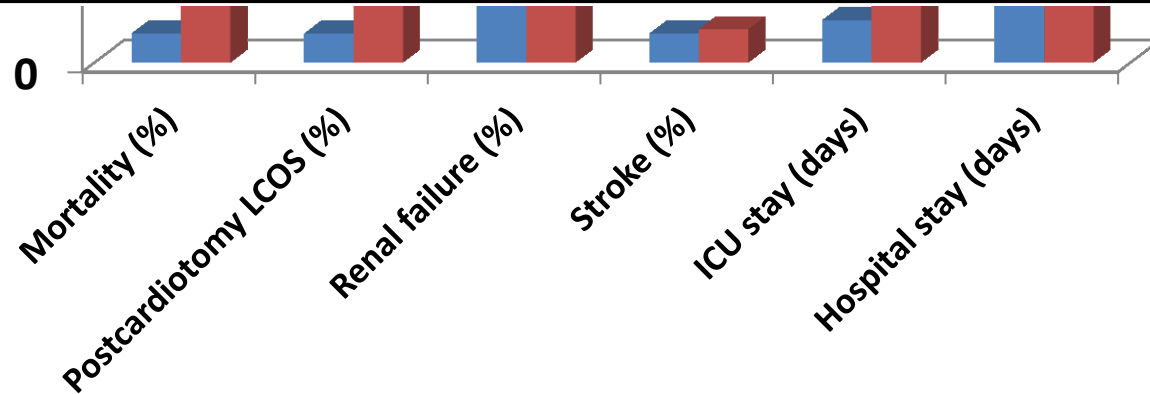
### ➤ 38 (27%) prophylactic IABC

- 103 (73%) no pre-OP IABC  $\Rightarrow$  27 (26%) IABC intra-OP  
 $\Rightarrow$  10 (10%) IABC post-OP

**Prophylactic IABP Placement in high-risk CABG pts. – SINGLE-CENTER –**



**→ Preoperative IABP in high-risk pts. reduces low cardiac output syndrom and renal failure**





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## Prophylactic IABP Placement in high-risk CABG pts.

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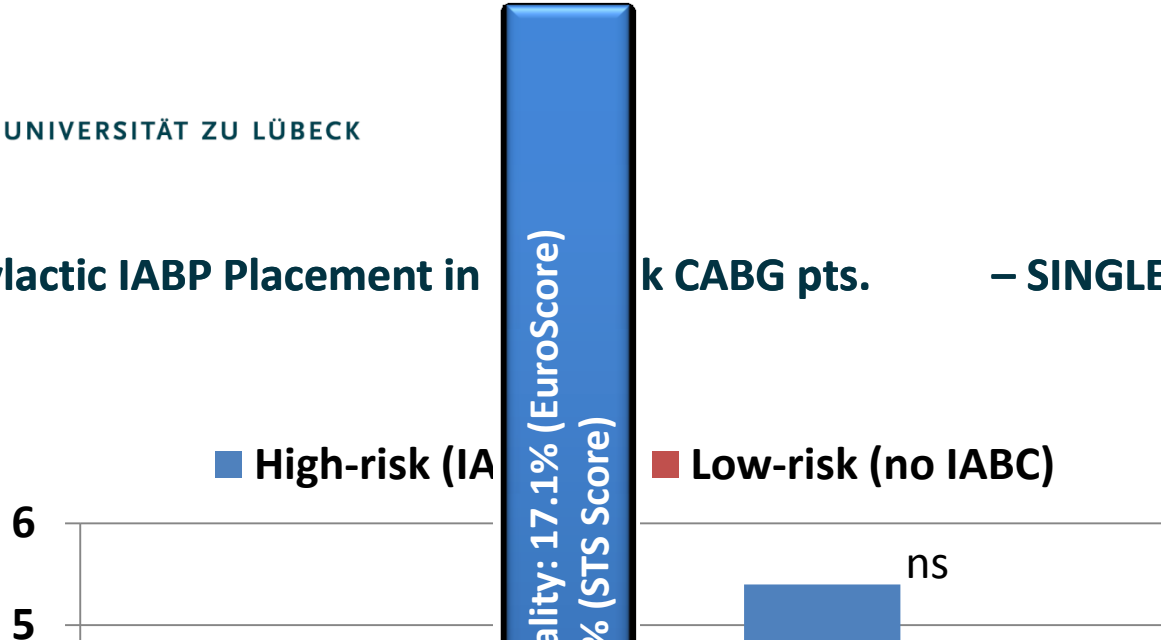
- **111 high-risk CABG pts. with IABC pre-OP**
  - EuroScore >12
- **130 low-risk CABG pts. without IABC**
  - EuroScore <5



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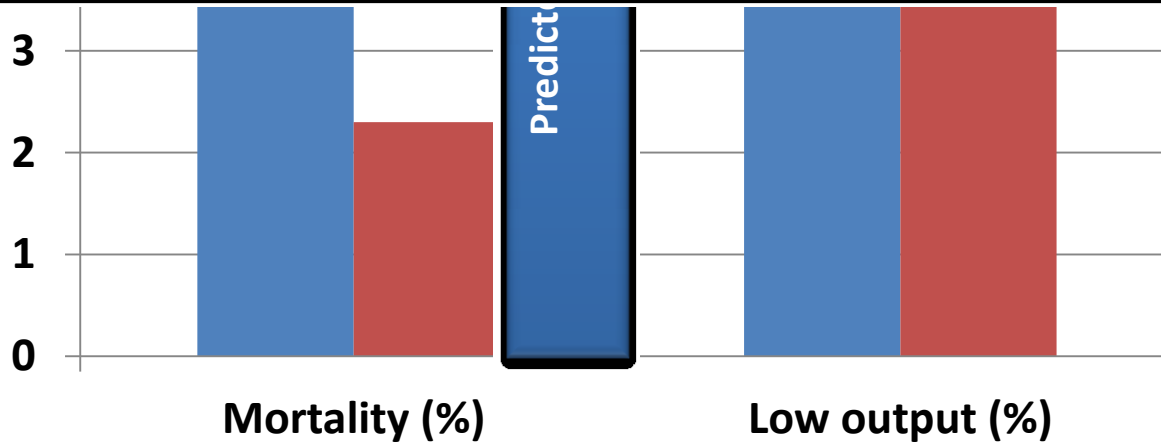
High-risk CABG pts.

– SINGLE-CENTER –



Prophylactic IABP Placement in High-risk CABG pts. – SINGLE-CENTER –  
High-risk (IA) mortality: 17.1% (EuroScore)  
Low-risk (no IABC) mortality: 12.1% (STS Score)

**→ Preoperative IABC reduces mortality in high-risk pts.**



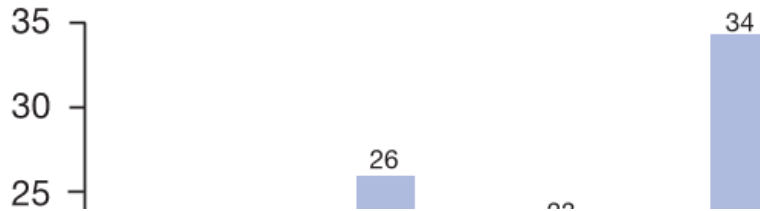


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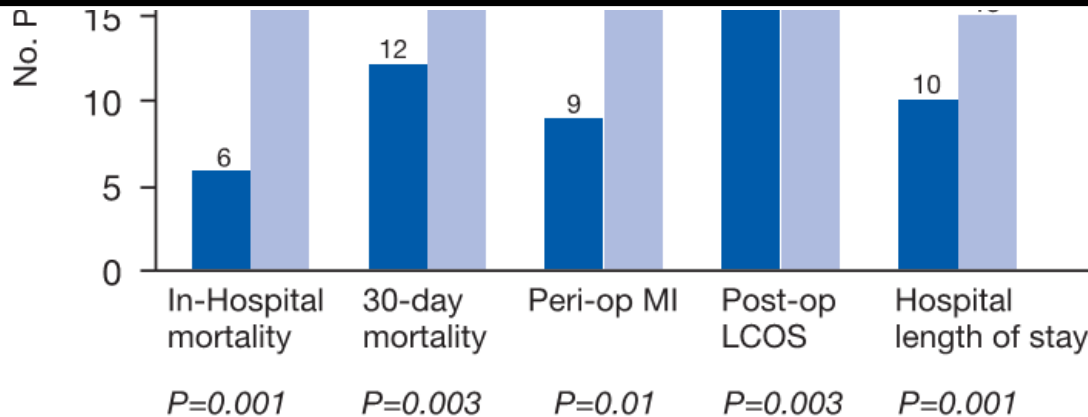
## – PROPENSITY-SCORE-ANALYSIS –

- **6121 high-risk CABG pts.** (EuroScore  $\geq 8$ )
  - 1207 (19.7%) pre-OP IABC placement (left main  $>75\%$ , unstable angina, EF  $<35\%$ , recent MI, heart failure)
  - 4914 (80.3%) no IABC
  
- **478 pts in propensity-score analysis in IABC and no IABC group**

## Prophylactic IABP Placement in high-risk CABG pts. – PROPENSITY-SCORE-ANALYSIS –



**→ Preoperative IABC is of benefit in high-risk CABG pts.**





## IABP Placement in high-risk pts.

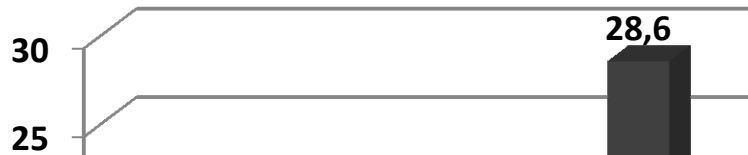
– TIMING –

### ➤ 7440 consecutive pts.

- 218 (2.9%) **pre-OP** IABP placement
- 184(2.5%) **intra-OP** IABP placement
- 42 (0.6%) **post-OP** IABP placement
- 6997 (94%) **no** IABP

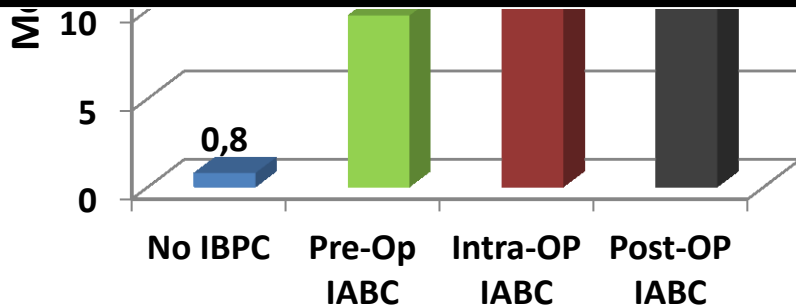


## IABP Placement in high-risk pts. – TIMING –



Multivariate adjusting  
for EuroSCORE

➔ Preoperative IABC is associated with low risk-adjusted mortality



Model properties  
Hosmer-Lemeshow  
goodness-of-fit

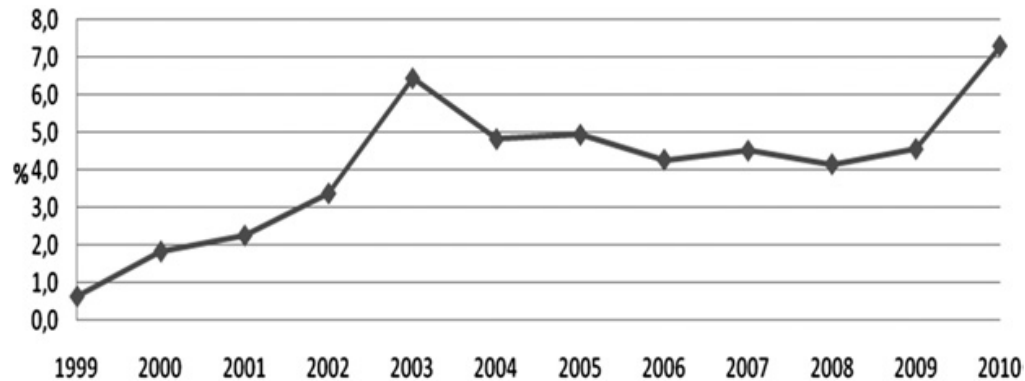
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## IABC Placement

## – COMPLICATIONS –

- 423 CABG pts. receiving IABC pre or intra-OP
  - EF < 35%
  - Left main stenosis
  - unstable hemodynamics
  - failure to wean from CBP



## IABC Placement

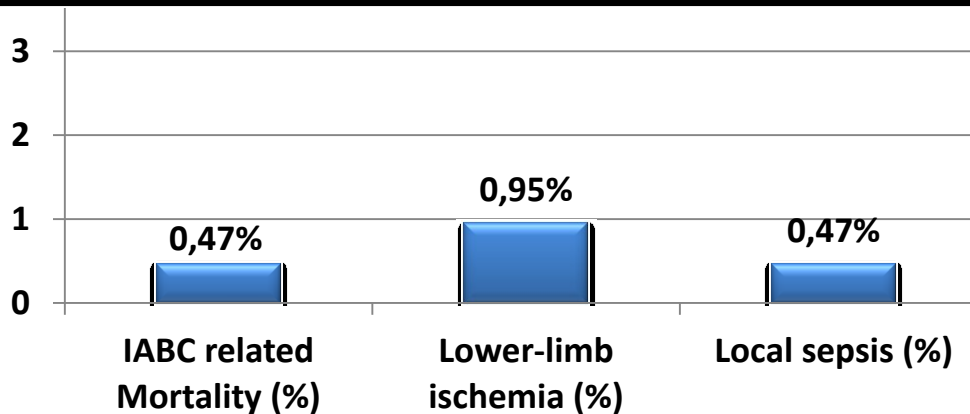
## – COMPLICATIONS –

### ➤ IABC Insertion

- 99.29% percutaneous femoral puncture (sheath-less)
- 0.47% femoral cut down
- 0.24% ascending aorta



**Elective preoperative IABC has a low complication rate compared to**





## Summary

- ♥ Increase in CO and perfusion
- ♥ Decrease in afterload and cardiac work
- ♥ Class IIa (LOE B) in high-risk CABG pts. (ACCF/AHA Guidelines 2011)
- ♥ Definition of high-risk pts?
- ♥ Newer studies (EuroScore) confirmed the positive effect of prophylactic IABC
- ♥ Low risk of complications in elective placement



## Conclusion

**In hemodynamically stable high-risk CABG pts.  
prophylactic IABP insertion is safe and effective in  
reducing postcardiotomy syndrome, perioperative  
myocardial infarction, length of stay and mortality.**



## Remaining questions....

- Clear definition of high-risk CABG pts.
- Ideal timing preoperatively



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**Thank You!**

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