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# BIOFLEX PEACE Registry 12 & 24-Month Results

Pulsar Efficacy: an All Comers Registry

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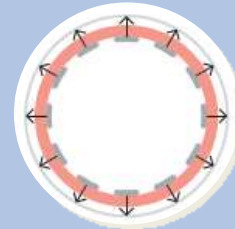
# Properties of an ideal SFA stent

## Low Chronic Outward Force (COF)

Chronic Outward Force is the force exerted on the vessel wall by a self-expanding (SE) stent to achieve its preset diameter. This can cause vessel injury, inflammation score and neointimal proliferation<sup>a, b, c</sup>.

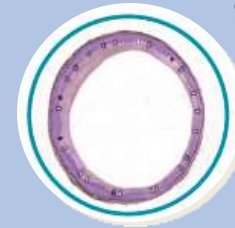
**The higher the force exerted on the vessel wall the stronger the inflammatory response is.<sup>a</sup>**

SE stent 1 mm oversized in vessel



Force exerted on vessel wall by SE stent to achieve its preset diameter

Vessel wall response on SE stent 1 mm oversizing showing neointima-hyperplasia at 90 days<sup>d</sup>



BIOTRONIK Pulsar-18



BARD Lifestent XL

## Stent flexibility, Radial Resistive Force & Crush Resistance

- **High multidirectional flexibility**
- **Sufficient Radial Resistive Force (RRF)**
- **Sufficient Crush Resistance (CR)**

**RRF**

(resistance to **concentric** compression)



**CR**

(resistance to **eccentric** compression)



<sup>a</sup> As demonstrated in pre-clinical studies: Zhao HQ, et al. Late stent expansion and neointimal proliferation of oversized Nitinol stents in peripheral arteries. *Cardiovasc Intervent Radiol.* 2009 Jul; 32(4):720-6; <sup>b</sup> Freeman JW, et al. A link between stent radial forces and vascular wall remodeling: the discovery of an optimal stent radial force for minimal vessel restenosis. *Connect Tissue Res.* 2010 Aug; 51(4): 314-26; <sup>c</sup> Ballyk PD. Intramural stress increases exponentially with stent diameter: a stress threshold for neointimal hyperplasia. *J Vasc Interv Radiol.* 2006 Jul;17(7):1139-45; <sup>d</sup> Funovic M. oral presentation at LINC 2017 (As demonstrated in pre-clinical studies)

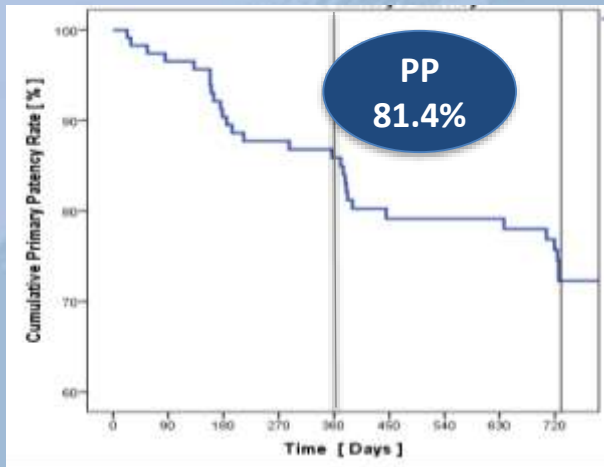
# 4EVER and PEACE

Two Trials Looking Into **4F** Self Expanding Stents in the SFA

With good initial results in standard lesions

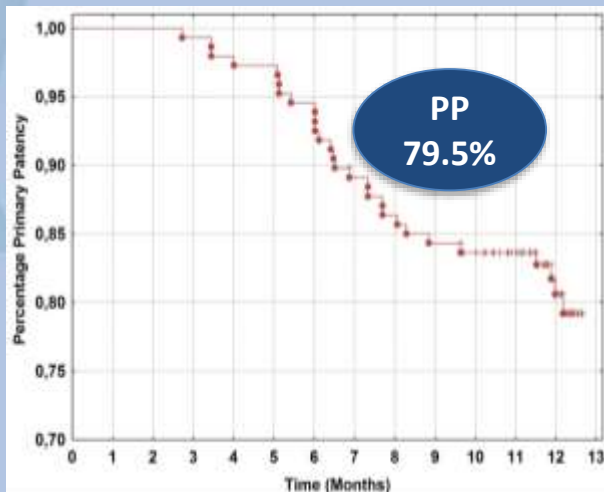
## 4EVER<sup>1</sup> (Safety and Efficacy)

- Prospective, Multicenter, non-randomized trial, Belgium
- 120 pts
- **7.2 cm Mean Lesion Length**
- TASC (70% A, 22.5% B, 7.5% C, 0% D)
- 35.8% Diabetic, 41.7% curr. Smoker, 16.7% CLI, 20.8% CTO
- 81.4% PP and 89.3% fTLR at 12m



## PEACE<sup>2</sup> (Registry)

- Prospective, Multicenter, non-randomized trial, Germany
- 148 pts
- 11.2 cm Mean Lesion Length
- TASC (18.7% A, 23.6% B, 19.4% C, 32.2% D)
- 31% Diabetic, 37% curr. Smoker, 68.7% CLI, 56.7% CTO
- 79.5% PP and 81% fTLR at 12m



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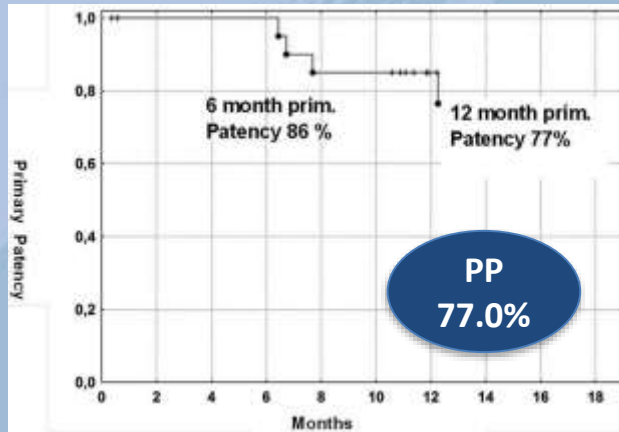
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# TASC D registry

One Trial Looking Into **4F** Self Expanding Stents in long, complex lesions

...also for long, complex, TASC D, occlusions



## TASC D<sup>1</sup> (Registry)

- Prospective, Single center, non-randomized trial, Germany
- 22 pts
- **24.5 cm Mean Lesion Length**
- TASC D 100.0%
- 72.7% Diabetic, 45.5% curr. Smoker, 100.0% CLI, 100.0% CTO
- 77.0% PP and 86.0% fTLR at 12m

**4EVER**

**PEACE**

**TASC D**

**Equal Primary Patency and Freedom from TLR rates at 12 months  
in 3 independent trials with the same device.**

# BIOFLEX PEACE

## STUDY DESIGN:

**All-Comers registry.** Prospective, multicenter.  
Treatment of femoropopliteal atherosclerotic lesions using the **4F, Pulsar-18** stent

## PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR:

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CO-PI: Prof. C. Nolte-Ernsting (Mülheim, DE)

## PRIMARY ENDPOINT:

6m Major Adverse Event (MAE) rate  
12m Primary Patency

## SECONDARY ENDPOINTS:

Primary Patency at 6 & 24m  
Freedom from TLR at 6, 12 & 24m  
Clinical success - improvement of  $\geq 1$  Rutherford Class  
- improvement in ABI

## Pre-defined sub-groups

Diabetic vs. non-diabetic  
Lesion length  $\leq 100$ mm vs.  $>100$ mm

All-Comers Registry  
189 Subjects screened

**BMS** (per protocol) **Pulsar-18**  
Exclusion of lesions other than femoropopliteal, as defined by protocol:  
**160 patients included in this analysis**

12m FUP

**N=139<sup>2</sup>**  
Primary Patency  
Freedom from TLR  
Clinical Success

24m FUP

**N= 95<sup>2</sup>**  
Primary Patency  
Freedom from TLR  
Clinical Success



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# Patient demographics & Lesion characteristics at baseline

Patient demographics	N = 160
Male	99 (61.9%)
Age (mean (sd))	69.7 (10.46)
Hypertension	141 (88.1%)
Dyslipidemia	127 (79.4%)
Smoker (current or previous)	115 (71.9%)
Diabetes	53 (33.1%)
Renal Insufficiency	31 (19.4%)
<b>CLI<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>23 (15.3%)</b>
Rutherford (n=150)	
0	1 (0.7%)
1	4 (2.7%)
2	62 (41.3%)
3	60 (40.0%)
4	12 (8.0%)
5	9 (6.0%)
6	2 (1.3%)
Ankle Brachial Index (mean) (n=122)	0.66
Walking capacity (mean in meter) (n=41)	130.2

Lesion characteristics	N = 186
Lesion length (cm) (n=185)	11.6 ± 10.3
Mean ref. vessel diameter	4.97 mm
Mean implanted stent diameter	5.77 mm
TASC A lesion	52 (27.9%)
TASC B lesion	60 (32.3%)
<b>TASC C lesion</b>	<b>34 (18.3%)</b>
<b>TASC D lesion</b>	<b>40 (21.5%)</b>
Calcification	
0 None	35 (18.8%)
1 Mild	73 (39.2%)
2 Moderate	43 (23.1%)
3 Severe	35 (18.8%)
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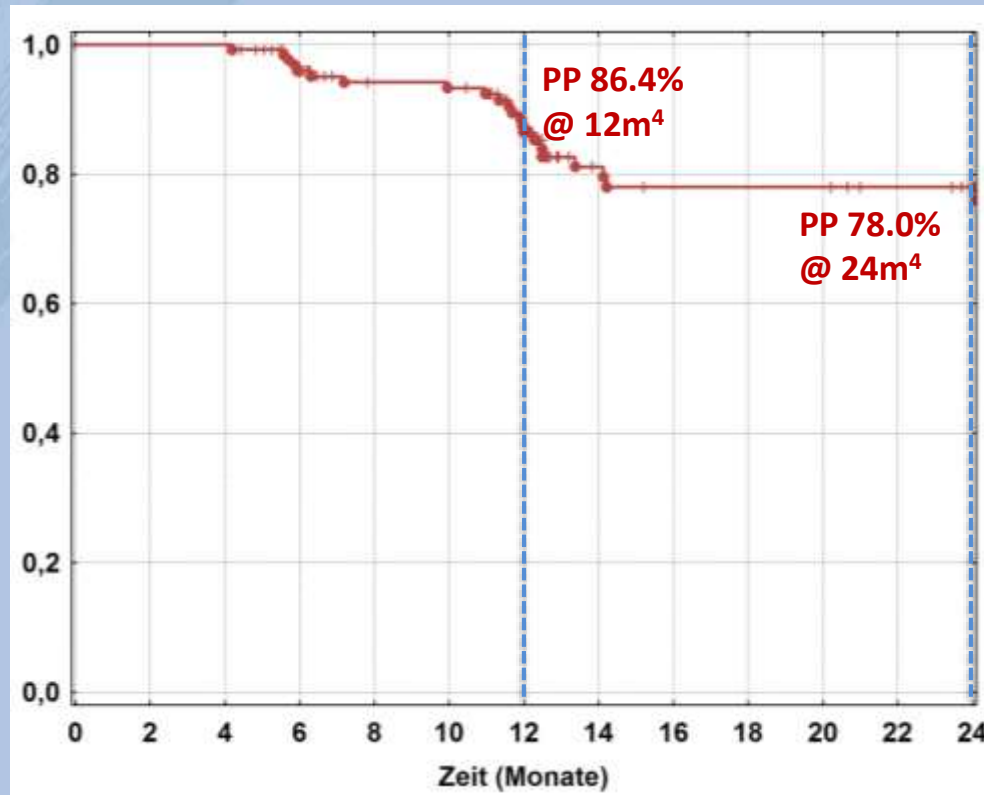
Stent oversizing mean 0.8mm





# Primary Patency at 12m and 24 m

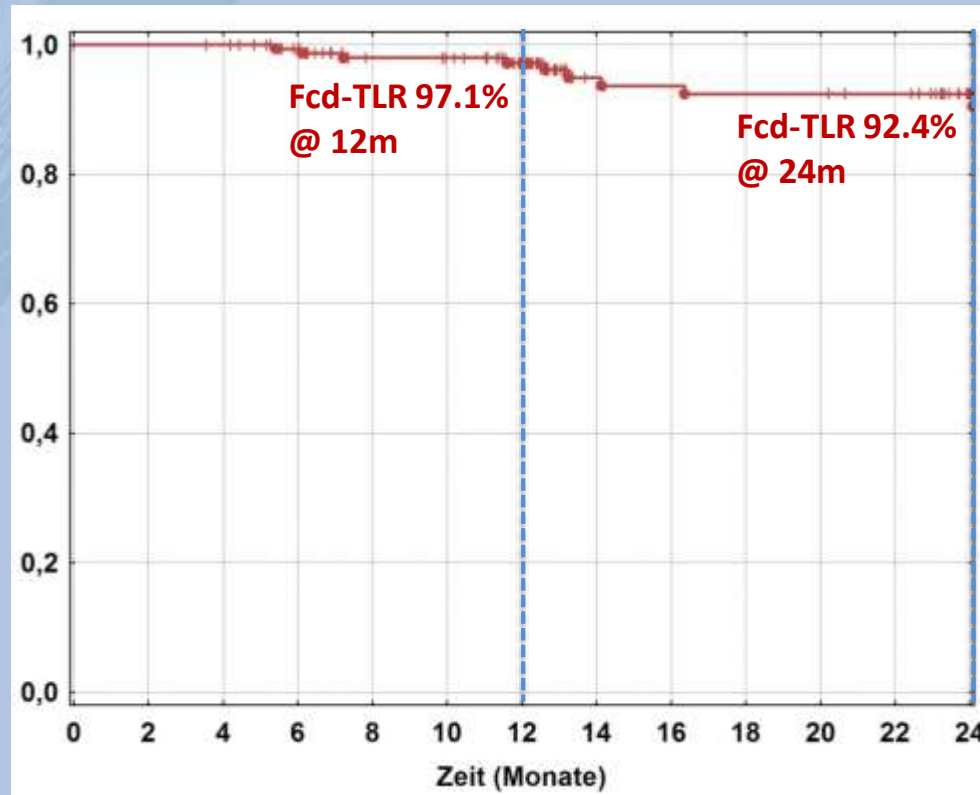
## Kaplan-Meier analysis



Time point (m)	0	6	12	24
Patient at Risk (n)	128	117	82	40
Survival (%)	-	95.9	86.4	78.0

# Freedom from cd-TLR at 12m & 24 m

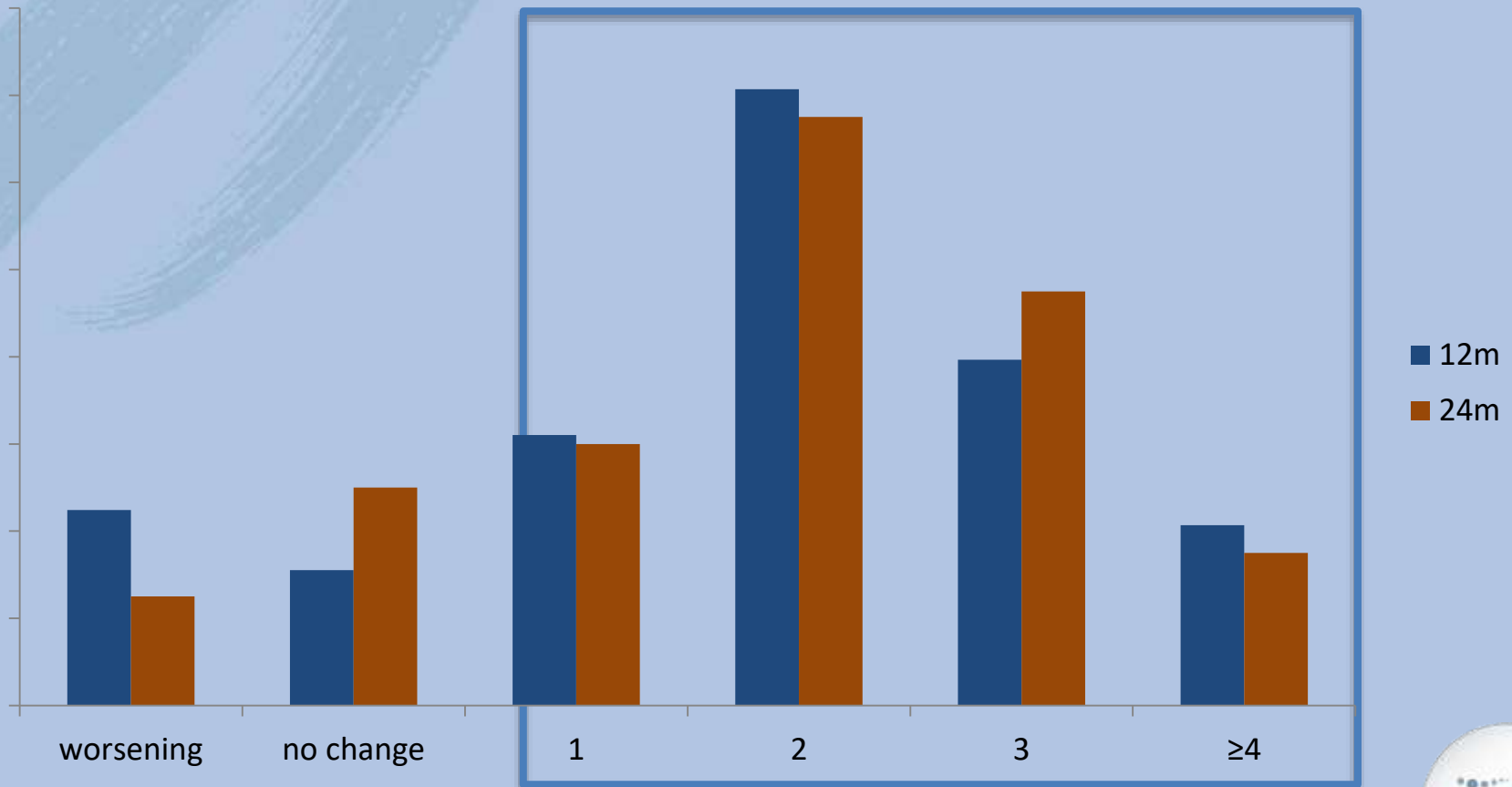
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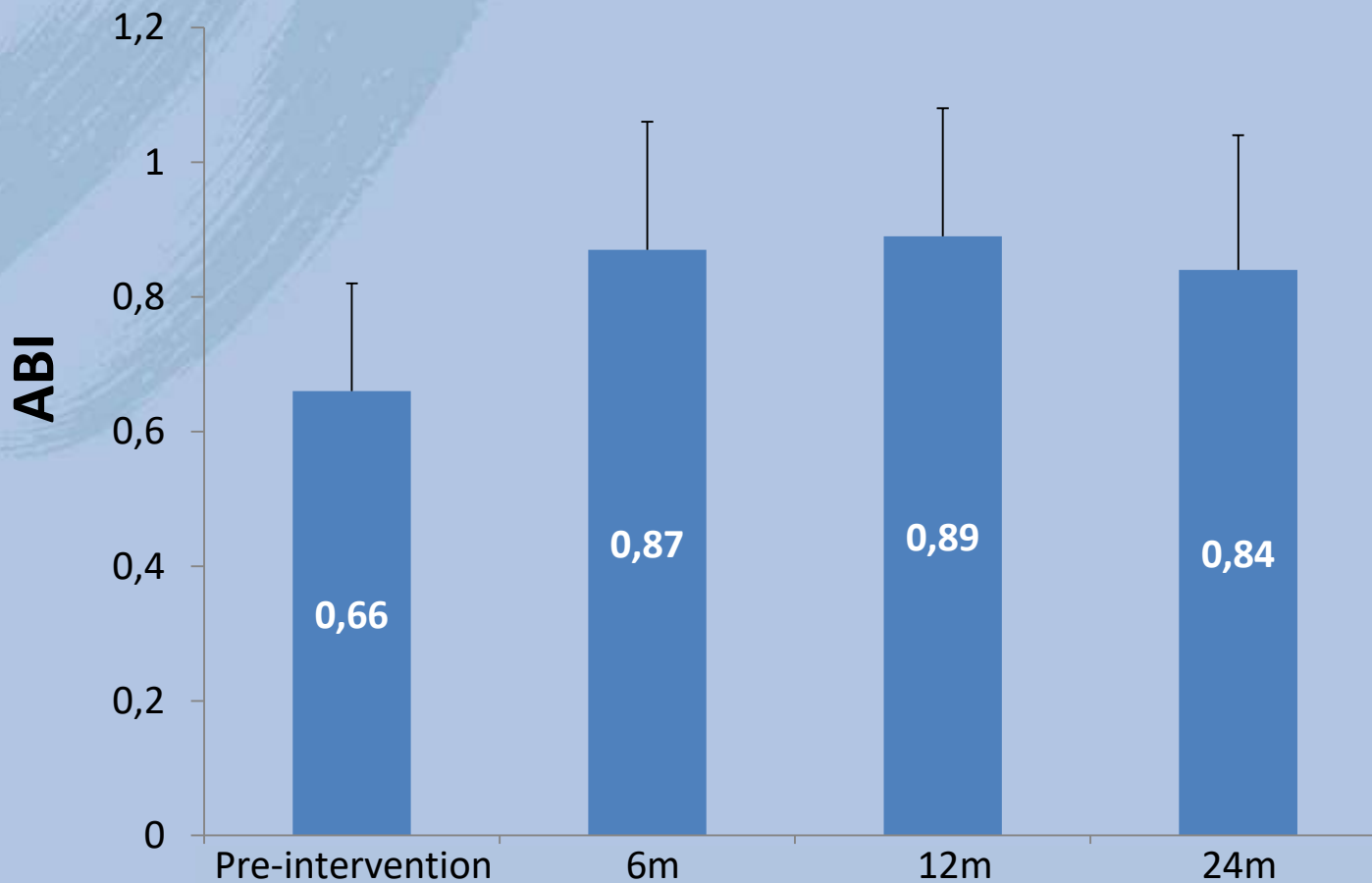
Time point (m)	0	6	12	24
Patient at Risk (n)	160	158	155	151
Survival (%)	-	99.3	97.1	92.4

# Change in Rutherford maintains at 12 & 24 months

Improvement of  $\geq 1$  Rutherford class in 81.0% of subjects  
after 12 months<sup>5</sup> and 81.3% of subjects after 24 month<sup>6</sup>



# Change in ABI up to 24 months

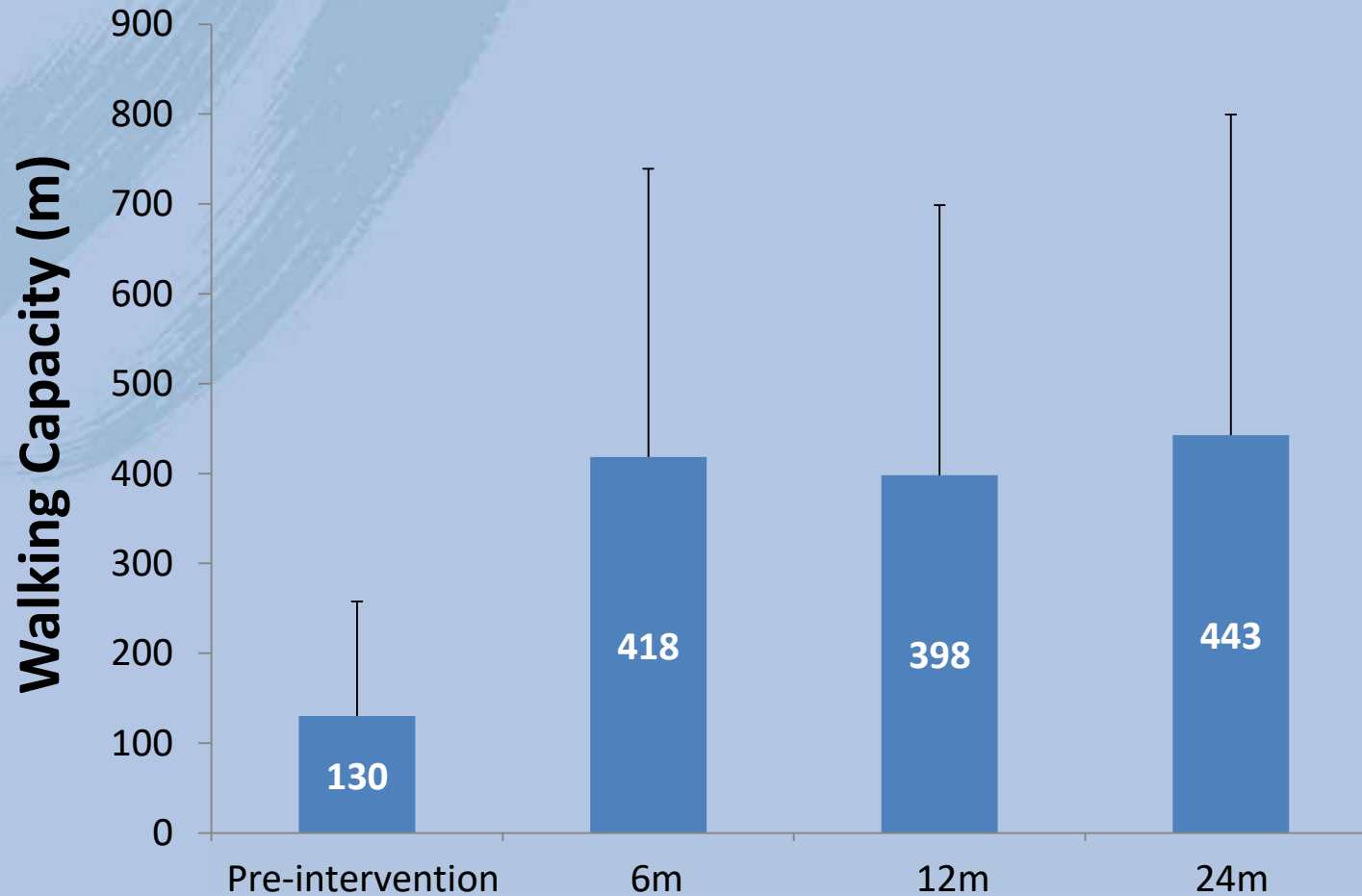


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# Pain Free Walking Capacity up to 24 months



# Conclusions

- **The 12m Kaplan-Meier (K-M) Primary Patency of 86.4%<sup>6</sup> and Freedom from cd-TLR of 97.1%** are in line with published study data for the Pulsar stent
- **The 24m K-M Primary Patency of 78.0%<sup>6</sup> and Freedom from cd-TLR of 92.4%** of this full patient cohort are indicative of a long term positive trend
- **Clinical success of was maintained at 12 & 24m with 81.0% & 81.3%** (Improvement in Rutherford Class  $\geq 1$ )
- **Mean stent oversizing of 0.8 mm** suggests that in the real-world, interventionalists are applying “minimal oversizing” to reduce the COF to least possible

