

# Hertz Contact Intravascular Lithotripsy (HC-IVL) for Treating Complex Calcific Coronary Lesions

## *PINNACLE I Clinical Trial Six-Month and OCT Procedural Imaging Outcomes*

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# Lithotripsy - From Greek “Breaking (or pulverizing) Stones” (*litho-* + *τρίψω [tripso]*)

## Lithotripsy

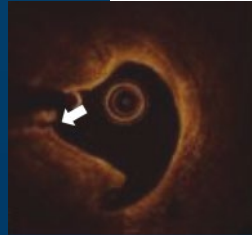
1832- first kidney stone removal procedure by Jean Civiale

- Mechanical
- Extracorporeal
- Laser



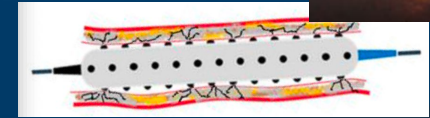
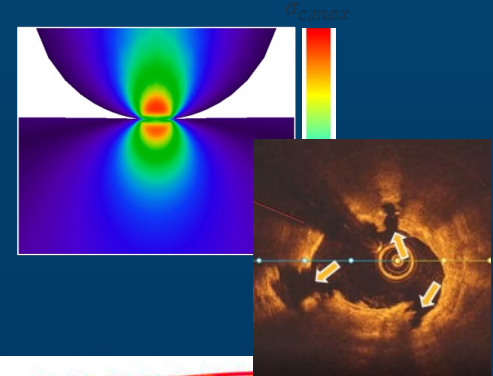
## Shockwave Intravascular Lithotripsy

Pressure waves generated inside the balloon to create fractures in adjacent calcium



## Hertz Contact Intravascular Lithotripsy

Calcium fractures resulting from **amplified discrete focal stresses** via Hertz Contact Stress principle



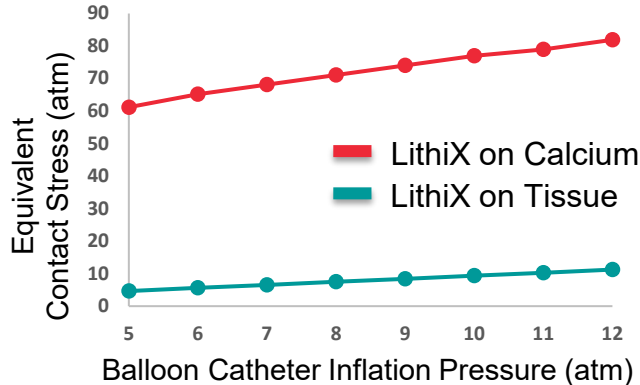
# Hertz Contact Stress Mechanism

- **Focal localized stresses develop** when a curved sphere contacts a plane and deforms it under the imposed loads

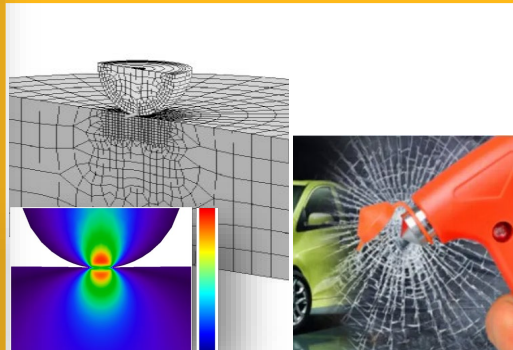
Parameters

- Contact force
- Modulus of elasticity
- Discrete area of contact

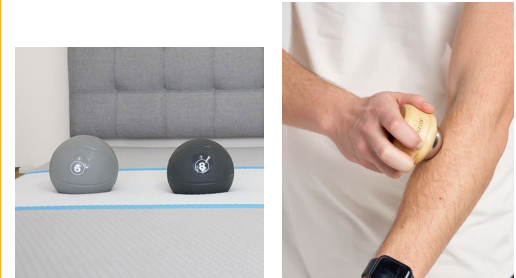
## Discrete and High Stress for Calcium Fragmentation



## Hard on Calcium



## Soft on Tissue



# PINNACLE I Trial Design

## Study Objective

To assess safety and performance of the LithiX Coronary Hertz Contact Intravascular Lithotripsy (HC-IVL) Catheter to treat moderate to severely calcified coronary artery lesions by calcium fragmentation.

†, Included 8 roll-in patients that met the study eligibility criteria.

‡, Subjects with OCT images analyzable by the imaging core lab.

**60 patients enrolled† in 7 clinical sites in Belgium and The Netherlands (ITT)**

Up to two de novo coronary artery lesions  
with moderate to severe calcification  
RVD 2.25 to 3.5 mm, lesion length ≤34 mm

**Imaging subgroup (n=32‡)**

OCT at pre-procedure, post-LithiX HC-IVL and final post-stent

**Primary effectiveness and safety endpoint (clinical success)**

Residual stenosis <50% with no in-hospital MACE through hospital discharge

**Primary safety endpoint**

MACE through 30 days

**6-month clinical follow-up**

Follow-up Completion: 98% (n=59/60)

# Baseline Demographics

Patient characteristics	N=60
Age, years	72.1 ± 6.8
Male	39 (65.0%)
Hypertension	46 (76.7%)
Dyslipidemia	45 (75.0%)
Diabetes mellitus	18 (30.0%)
Prior MI	12 (20.0%)
Prior PCI	17 (28.3%)
Prior CABG	4 (6.7%)
Prior stroke	5 (8.3%)
Current smoker	13 (21.7%)
Renal insufficiency	9 (15.0%)

Clinical presentation	N=60
Acute coronary syndrome <sup>§</sup>	11 (18.3%)
Chronic/Stable coronary syndrome <sup>‡</sup>	49 (81.7%)

<sup>§</sup>, Unstable angina, STEMI or NSTEMI.

<sup>‡</sup>, Stable angina or silent ischemia.

# Baseline Lesion Characteristics

Angiographic measurements	N=60, L=63	Angiographic measurements	N=60, L=63
Target lesion vessel		RVD, mm	2.79 ± 0.47
LAD	33 (52.4%)	MLD, mm	1.09 ± 0.34
LCx	5 (7.9%)	DS, %	60.66 ± 10.87
Protected LM	1 (1.6%)	Lesion length, mm	14.38 ± 6.80
RCA	23 (36.5%)	Calcified length, mm	25.11 ± 11.90
Ramus	1 (1.6%)	Bifurcation lesion with side branch involvement	9 (14.3%)
ACC/AHA lesion classification (B2/C)	50 (79.4%)		

N: Total number of subjects.

L: Total number of lesions. Three subjects had 2 lesions treated.



# Procedure Characteristics

	<b>N=60</b>
Procedural duration, min	59.5 (40.5, 76.0)
Fluoroscopic time, min	13.1 (9.9, 20.4)
Number of LithiX HC-IVL used	2.0 (1.0, 2.0)

	<b>L=63</b>
Pre-dilatation	60 (95.2%)
PTCA balloon	48 (80.0%)
1.5mm LithiX*	12 (20.0%)
Number of stents implanted	1.0 (1.0, 1.0)
Post-stent dilatation	57 (90.5%)

Values are n (%) or median (interquartile range).

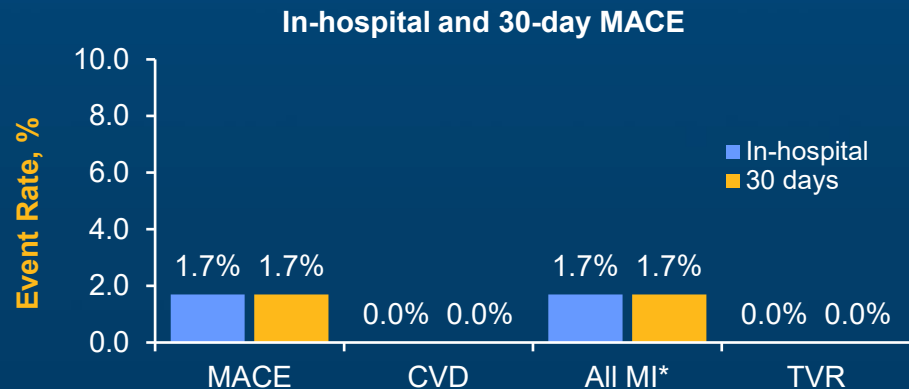
\*, 1.5mm LithiX was an option for pre-dilatation.

# Excellent Safety and Performance Outcomes

Consistent with IVL Mechanism of Action

Final post-stent	N=60, L=63
<b>Angiographic success (main branch, in-lesion)<sup>†</sup></b>	63 (100.0%)
<b>Angiographic complications (main branch)</b>	
Any severe dissection (Type D-F)	0 (0.0%)
Any perforation	0 (0.0%)
Any abrupt closure	0 (0.0%)
Any no-reflow	0 (0.0%)
Any thrombus	0 (0.0%)
Any spasm	0 (0.0%)
Any distal embolism	0 (0.0%)
<b>Angiographic outcomes</b>	
Minimum lumen diameter, mm	2.69 ± 0.47
In-lesion DS, %	12.5 ± 4.5
Acute gain, mm	1.60 ± 0.48
In-lesion DS <50%	63 (100.0%)
In-lesion DS <30%	63 (100.0%)

	N=60, L=63
<b>Clinical success (primary effectiveness and safety endpoint)<sup>*</sup></b>	98.3% (91.1% to 100.0%)



**Performance goal was met**

Clinical success (primary effectiveness and safety endpoint) rate >80%

<sup>\*</sup>, One subject with TVMI (peri-procedural, non Q-wave).

<sup>†</sup>, Stent delivery success, with residual stenosis <50% and no serious angiographic complications.

# Six-month Clinical Outcomes

*Only three (3) subjects had clinical events through 6-month follow-up*

	N=60
Target lesion failure*, %	1/59 (1.7%)
TV-MI*, %	1/59 (1.7%)
CV Death, %	0/59 (0.0%)
CI-TLR, %	0/59 (0.0%)
TVR†, %	1/59 (1.7%)
Non-TVR†, %	1/59 (1.7%)
Non-TVMI†, %	1/59 (1.7%)
Non-CV Death‡, %	1/60 (1.7%)
Stent Thrombosis (definite/probable), %	0/59 (0.0%)

\* , One subject had TVMI (peri-procedural, non Q-wave)

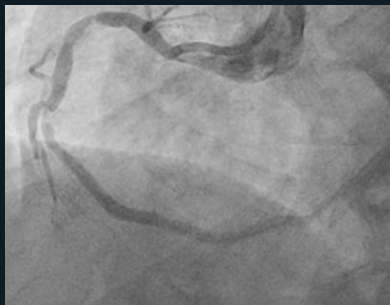
† , One subject had non-TVR, Non-TVMI (spontaneous, non Q-wave) and TVR for non-TLR

‡ , One subject had non-CV death due to acute myeloid leukemia

# Eccentric Calcified Lesions

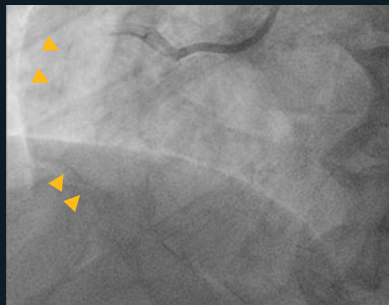
## Hertz Contact IVL

Pre-procedure



Mid-RCA  
ACC/AHA lesion classification: B2  
% DS: 75%

Calcium



Calcification: Severe

Post-LithiX HC-IVL



LithiX HC-IVL size: 3.5 mm

Final Post-stent



%DS: 0%

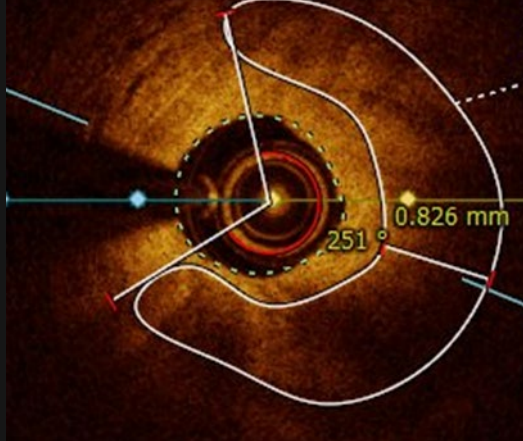
Site reported measurements.

# Eccentric Calcified Lesions

## Patterns of Stent Expansion

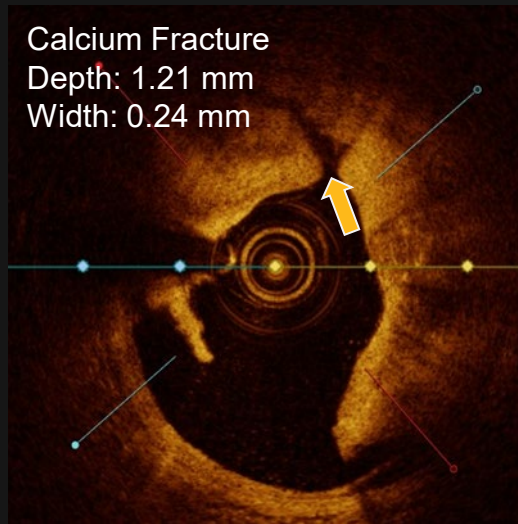
Pre-procedure

Maximum Continuous  
Calcium Arc: 251°



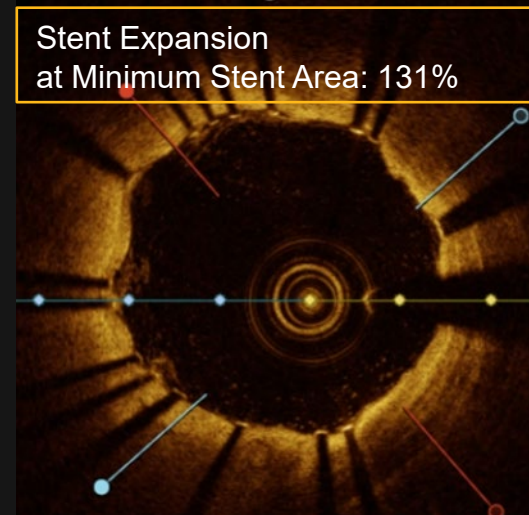
Post-LithiX HC-IVL

Calcium Fracture  
Depth: 1.21 mm  
Width: 0.24 mm



Final Post-stent

Stent Expansion  
at Minimum Stent Area: 131%



### Expert Consensus Document of EAPCI\*

Previous studies showed that achieving >90% stent expansion was very challenging.  
Optimal stent expansion target in imaging-guided PCI of >80% is recommended for clinical practice.

# Eccentric Calcified Lesions

## Deep Calcium Fractures Confirm Mechanism of Action of HC-IVL

Pre-procedure Measurements	Eccentric Calcium <sup>#</sup> L=13
Minimal lumen area <sup>†</sup> , mm <sup>2</sup>	2.45 ± 1.00
Area stenosis <sup>†</sup> , %	67.78 ± 11.72
Calcium length, mm	23.15 ± 6.93
Maximum continuous calcium arc, °	184.38 ± 56.42
Maximum calcium thickness, mm	1.32 ± 0.36
Presence of calcified nodule <sup>†</sup>	4 (33.3%)

Post LithiX HC-IVL Measurements	Eccentric Calcium <sup>#</sup> L=13
<b>Calcium fracture, any</b>	<b>11 (84.6%)</b>
1 fracture	3 (23.1%)
2 fractures	4 (30.8%)
≥3 fractures	4 (30.8%)
<b>Fracture depth, mm</b>	<b>0.76 ± 0.28</b>
<b>Fracture width, mm</b>	<b>0.51 ± 0.23</b>
Maximum calcium arc at calcium fractures, °	144.18 ± 64.11
Minimum calcium angle at calcium fractures, °	125.55 ± 56.27

<sup>#</sup>, Maximum continuous calcium arc ≤270°.

<sup>†</sup>, L=12.

# Eccentric Calcified Lesions

## Optimal Stent Expansion at MLA, MCS and MSA

Eccentric Calcium <sup>#</sup>	At Minimum Lumen Area (MLA)		At Maximum Calcium Site (MCS) <sup>†</sup>		At Minimum Stent Area (MSA) <sup>‡</sup>	
	Pre-procedure L=12	Final Post-stent L=10	Pre-procedure L=12	Final Post-stent L=11	Pre-procedure L=10	Final Post-stent L=11
Calcium angle, °	122.75 ± 50.04		133.36 ± 63.09		60.30 ± 45.74	
Maximum calcium thickness, mm	0.85 ± 0.36		1.16 ± 0.45		0.74 ± 0.60	
Area stenosis, %	67.78 ± 11.72	12.19 ± 17.28	34.29 ± 26.15	1.53 ± 4.22	49.91 ± 16.53	15.37 ± 15.49
Lumen area, mm <sup>2</sup> and Stent Area, mm <sup>2</sup>	2.45 ± 1.00	7.14 ± 2.16	5.02 ± 2.79	8.64 ± 1.73	3.60 ± 1.31	6.30 ± 2.07
Acute area gain, mm <sup>2</sup>		3.98 ± 1.74		3.57 ± 2.05		3.14 ± 1.68
<b>Stent expansion*, %</b>		<b>100.97 ± 19.64</b>		<b>97.86 ± 19.28</b>		<b>101.38 ± 23.70</b>

<sup>#</sup>, Maximum continuous calcium arc ≤270°.

<sup>\*</sup>, Stent area at MLA, MCS or MSA / Average reference lumen area x 100.

<sup>†</sup>, L=11 in lumen area; L=9 in acute area gain.

<sup>‡</sup>, L=10 in acute area gain.

# Concentric Calcified Lesions

## Hertz Contact IVL

### Pre-procedure



Mid-LAD

ACC/AHA lesion classification: B2

% DS: 80%

### Calcium



Calcification: Severe

### Post-LithiX HC-IVL



LithiX HC-IVL size\*: 1.5 mm and 3.0mm

### Final Post-stent



%DS: 0%

Site reported measurements. \*, 1.5mm LithiX was an option for pre-dilatation per the earlier versions of the PINNACLE I protocol.

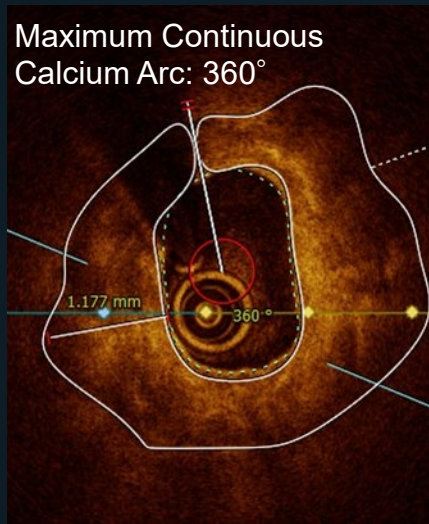


# Concentric Calcified Lesions

## Patterns of Stent Expansion

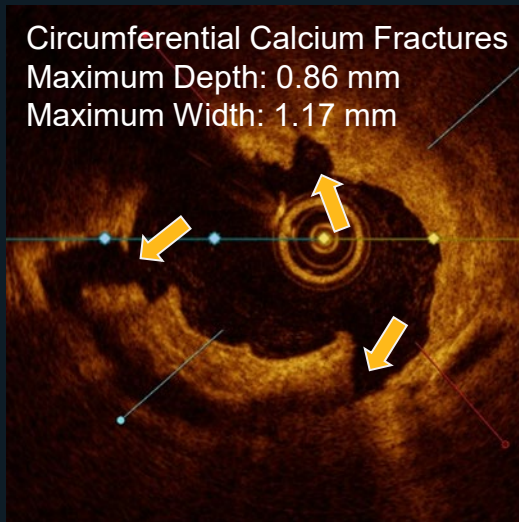
### Pre-procedure

Maximum Continuous Calcium Arc: 360°



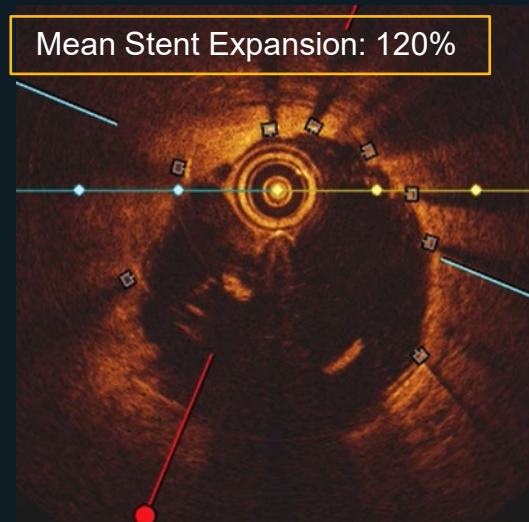
### Post-LithiX HC-IVL

Circumferential Calcium Fractures  
Maximum Depth: 0.86 mm  
Maximum Width: 1.17 mm



### Final Post-stent

Mean Stent Expansion: 120%



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# Concentric Calcified Lesions

## Deep Calcium Fractures Confirm Mechanism of Action of HC-IVL

Pre-procedure Measurements	Concentric Calcium <sup>‡, *</sup> L=19
Minimal lumen area <sup>†</sup> , mm <sup>2</sup>	2.12 ± 0.94
Area stenosis <sup>†</sup> , %	75.76 ± 7.38
Calcium length, mm	24.45 ± 6.56
Maximum continuous calcium arc, °	317.47 ± 22.51
Maximum calcium thickness, mm	1.24 ± 0.21
Presence of calcified nodule <sup>§</sup>	5 (29.4%)

Post LithiX HC-IVL Measurements	Concentric Calcium <sup>‡, *</sup> L=19
<b>Calcium fracture, any</b>	<b>18 (94.7%)</b>
1 fracture	2 (10.5%)
2 fractures	8 (42.1%)
≥3 fractures	8 (42.1%)
<b>Fracture depth, mm</b>	<b>0.85 ± 0.36</b>
<b>Fracture width, mm</b>	<b>0.75 ± 0.29</b>
Maximum calcium arc at calcium fractures, °	219.11 ± 90.81
Minimum calcium angle at calcium fractures, °	196.94 ± 88.40

‡, Maximum continuous calcium arc >270°.

\*, One subject has two target lesions with OCT analysis on one target lesion only.

†, L=18; §, L=17.

# Concentric Calcified Lesions

## Optimal Stent Expansion at MLA, MCS and MSA

Concentric Calcium#	At Minimum Lumen Area (MLA) †		At Maximum Calcium Site (MCS) †		At Minimum Stent Area (MSA) †	
	Pre-procedure L=18	Final Post-stent L=19	Pre-procedure L=18	Final Post-stent L=19	Pre-procedure L=18	Final Post-stent L=19
Calcium angle, °	202.39 ± 90.69		261.33 ± 78.96		162.22 ± 91.53	
Maximum calcium thickness, mm	0.72 ± 0.24		0.97 ± 0.23		0.71 ± 0.32	
Area stenosis, %	75.76 ± 7.38	10.75 ± 12.85	40.81 ± 28.21	4.66 ± 6.15	52.61 ± 25.37	13.51 ± 11.11
Lumen area, mm <sup>2</sup> and Stent Area, mm <sup>2</sup>	2.12 ± 0.94	7.72 ± 2.51	4.76 ± 2.32	8.17 ± 2.58	3.94 ± 2.01	6.73 ± 2.22
Acute area gain, mm <sup>2</sup>		5.09 ± 1.81		4.03 ± 2.70		3.51 ± 2.04
<b>Stent expansion*, %</b>		<b>100.84 ± 26.93</b>		<b>106.58 ± 28.69</b>		<b>93.95 ± 26.67</b>

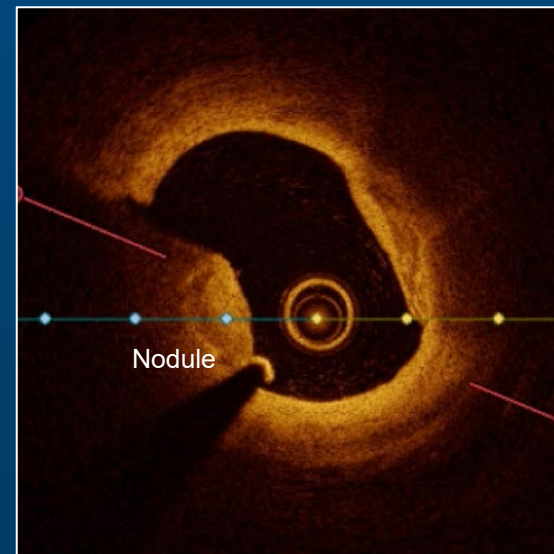
#, Maximum continuous calcium arc >270°.

\*, Stent area at MLA, MCS or MSA / Average reference lumen area x 100.

†, L=18 in acute area gain.

# Optimal Stent Expansion in Lesions with Calcified Nodules at MCS

At Maximum Calcium Site (MCS)	Pre-procedure L=9	Final Post-stent L=9
Calcium angle, °	202.56 ± 96.4	
Maximum calcium thickness, mm	1.22 ± 0.34	
Area stenosis, %	35.32 ± 21.34	3.68 ± 5.60
Lumen area <sup>#</sup> , mm <sup>2</sup> and Stent Area, mm <sup>2</sup>	4.73 ± 1.50	8.02 ± 2.19
Acute area gain <sup>#</sup> , mm <sup>2</sup>		3.32 ± 1.54
<b>Stent expansion*, %</b>		<b>102.81 ± 15.99</b>



\*, Stent area at MCS / Average reference lumen Area x 100.

<sup>#</sup>, L=8.

# Conclusion

- PINNACLE I trial demonstrated the safety and effectiveness of LithiX™ Hertz Contact IVL for calcium fragmentation in a broad complex range of calcium morphologies:
  - 98.3% met primary safety and effectiveness endpoint (clinical success) and 100% main branch, in-lesion, post-stent angiographic success
  - No stent thrombosis (definite/probable), low target lesion failure rate through 6 months
- OCT analysis demonstrated effectiveness of the novel mechanism of action:
  - *Deep calcium fractures in eccentric and concentric calcified lesions* post HC-IVL, confirming the mechanism of action of HC-IVL.
  - *Optimal stent expansion (>90% average) achieved at MLA, MCS, MSA* in eccentric and concentric calcified lesions including those with calcium nodules
- LithiX™ HC-IVL offers a safe, effective approach for calcium fragmentation to optimize stent implantation, without a need for external energy source and a simplified IVL workflow and learning curve.