

CAVA Study: What do we expect?

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Ultrasound-Accelerated Catheter-Directed Thrombolysis Versus Anticoagulation for the prevention of Post-Thrombotic Syndrome: The CAVA-Trial

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Study design

- Multicentre randomized controlled trial
- Prospective interventional study
- Assessor blinded, open label

Outcome measure

- **Primary outcome measure**
 - Incidence of Post Thrombotic Syndrome after 1 year (Villalta)¹
- **Secondary outcome measures**
 - Difference in development of Post Thrombotic Syndrome as defined by the ISTH after 1 year²
 - Severity of Post Thrombotic Syndrome (Villalta, VCSS)
 - The patient reported Health-Related Quality of Life (VEINES-QoL, SF36v2, EQ5D, and Pain Disability Index)
- **Safety outcome measures**
 - Major bleedings³
 - Recurrent Thrombosis
 - In Stent Thrombosis

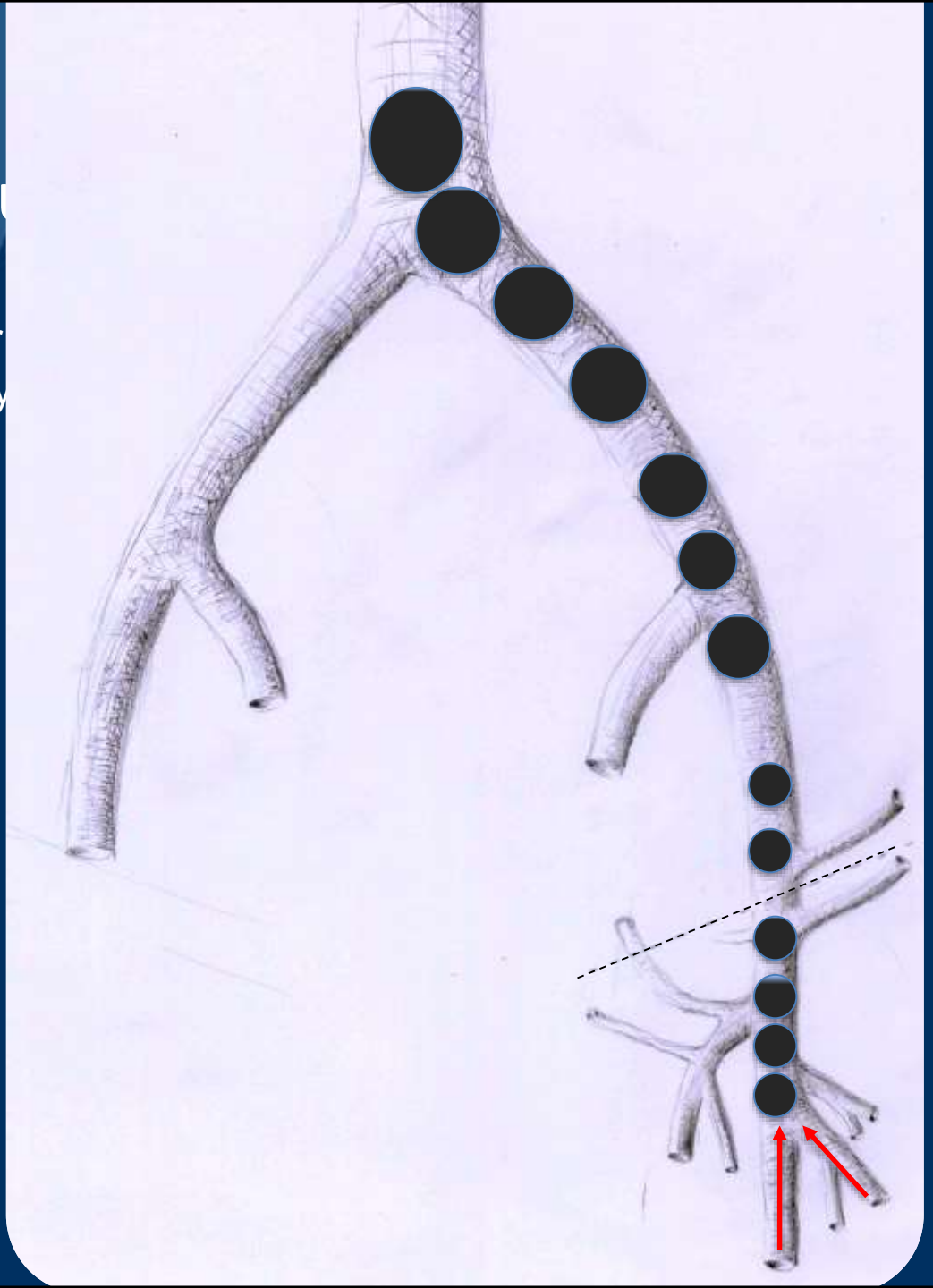
1. Villalta et al. Haemostasis 1994

2. Kahn et al. J Thromb Haemost 2009

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- Patients with an iliofemoral or symptomatic less than 14 day



Inclusion

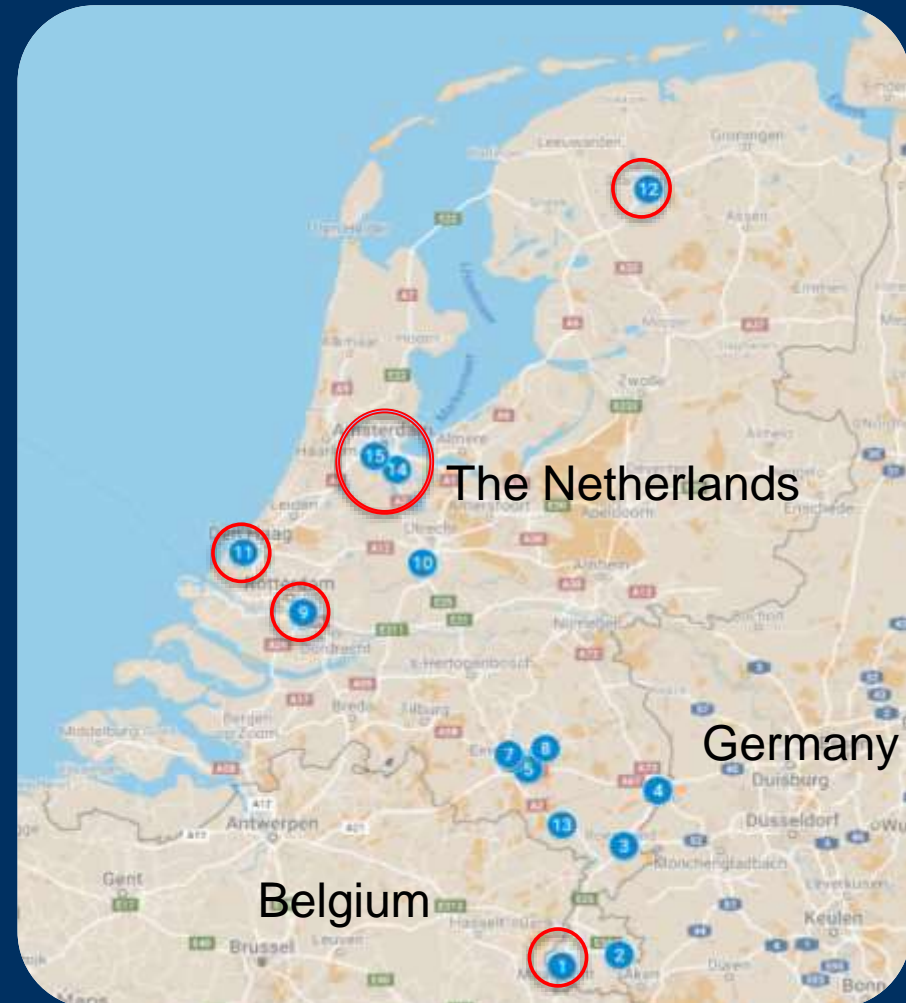
- June 2010 – November 2017
- 184 patients were included (2 patients / month)
- Follow up of 12 months

Inclusion Criteria	Exclusion criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Age between 18-85 years• Objectively documented IFDVT• Acute stage IFDVT, complaints less than 14 days• Life expectancy longer than 6 months• First thrombus in the affected limb	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Previous thrombosis of the affected limb• Varicosities / venous insufficiency CEAP classification C3 or higher• Severe hypertension (>180 / 100mmHg)• Active malignancy• History of GI bleeding within 12 months• History of CVA / central nervous system disease within 12 months• Major surgery within 6 weeks• eGFR < 30 ml / min

Participating centres

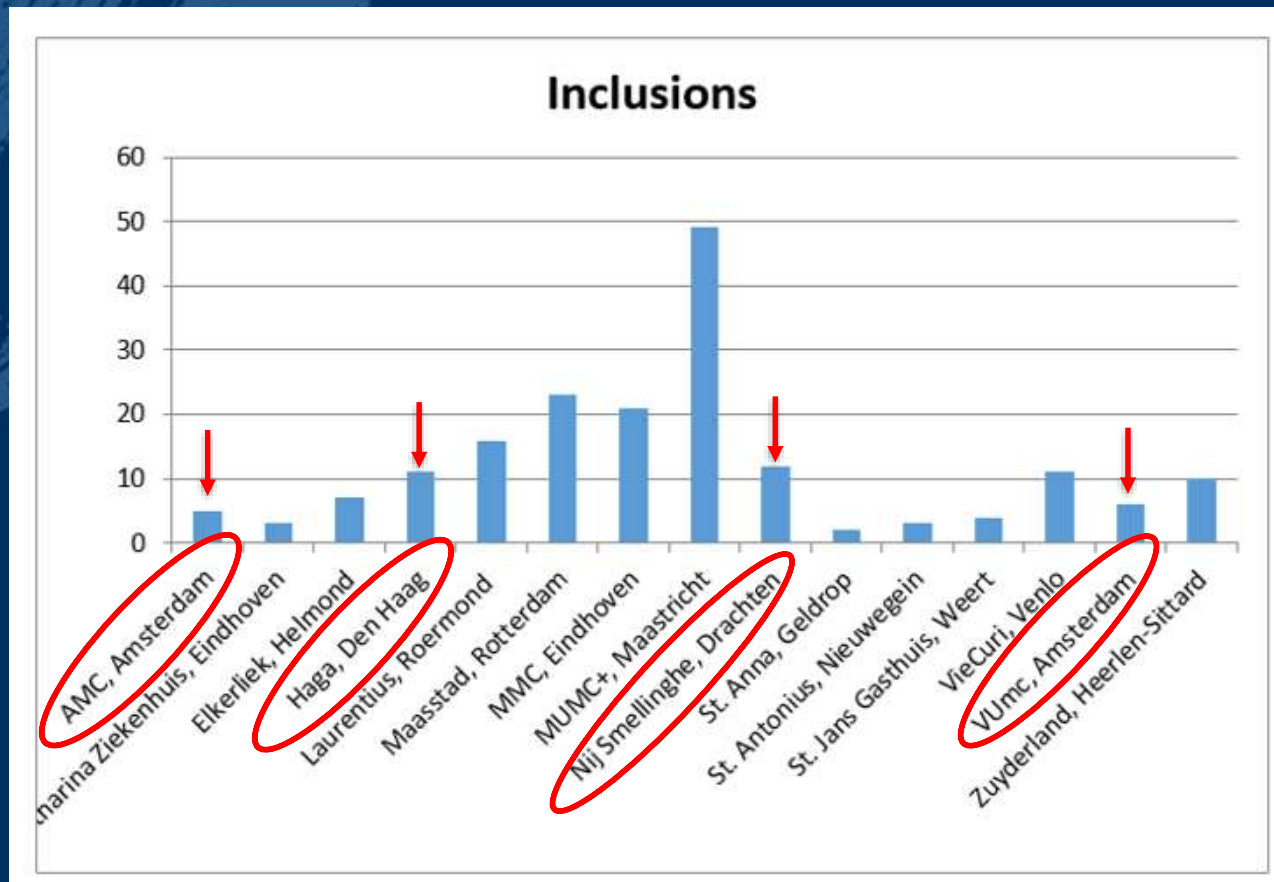
Centres randomizing patients

- 1: Maastricht University Medical Center, Maastricht
- 2: Zuyderland Medical Center, Heerlen-Sittard
- 3: Laurentius Hospital, Roermond
- 4: VleCuri Hospital, Venlo
- 5: St. Anna Hospital, Geldrop
- 6: Máxima Medical Center, Eindhoven-Veldhoven
- 7: Catharina Hospital, Eindhoven
- 8: Elkerliek Hospital, Helmond
- 9: Maasstad Hospital, Rotterdam*
- 10: St. Antonius Hospital, Nieuwegein
- 11: Haga Hospital, Den Haag*
- 12: Nij Smellinghe Hospital, Drachten*
- 13: St. Jans Gasthuis, Weert
- 14: Amsterdam University Medical Center, AMC, Amsterdam*
- 15: Amsterdam University Medical Center, VuMC, Amsterdam*



Centres performing Ultrasound-Accelerated Catheter-Directed Thrombolysis

Participating centres



Treatment arms

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graph TD; A[Treatment arms] --> B[Conservative: Early anticoagulant therapy, compression therapy and mobilization]; A --> C[Conservative: Early anticoagulant therapy, compression therapy and mobilization + Interventional: Additional Ultrasound-Accelerated Catheter-Directed Thrombolysis (Ekos Endowave ® system)];
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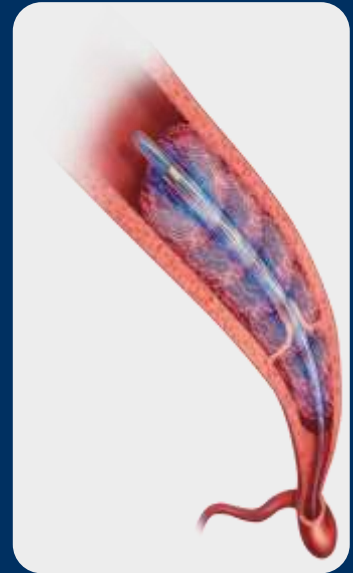
Ultrasound-Accelerated Catheter-Directed Thrombolysis (EKOS)

Urokinase bolus dose:

- Unilateral DVT → (bolus dose of 250,000 U)
- Bilateral DVT → (bolus dose of 125,000 U per leg)

Urokinase perfusor settings:

- Unilateral DVT → administer 100,000 U/ hour
- Bilateral DVT → administer 50,000 U/ hour/ leg



Treatment control

- Venography alone used to assess residual thrombus after Lysis

1. GOOD

> 90 % patency (= completely open)

2. MODERATE

50 - 90 % patency

3. POOR

< 50 % patency

4. UNSUCCESSFUL

0 % patency (no change after 48 hours)

Case

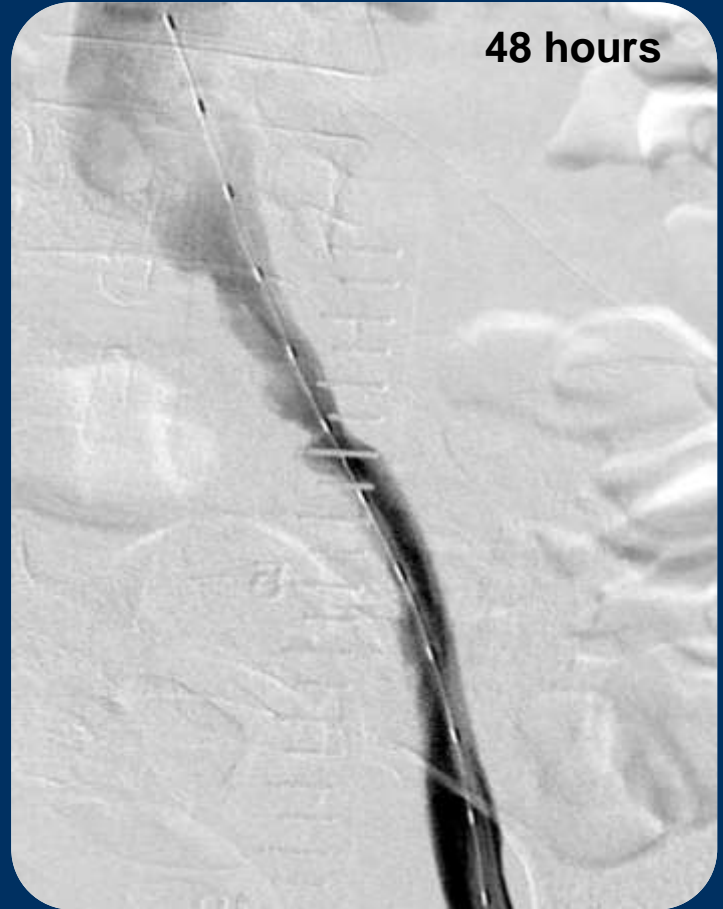


Case

24 hours

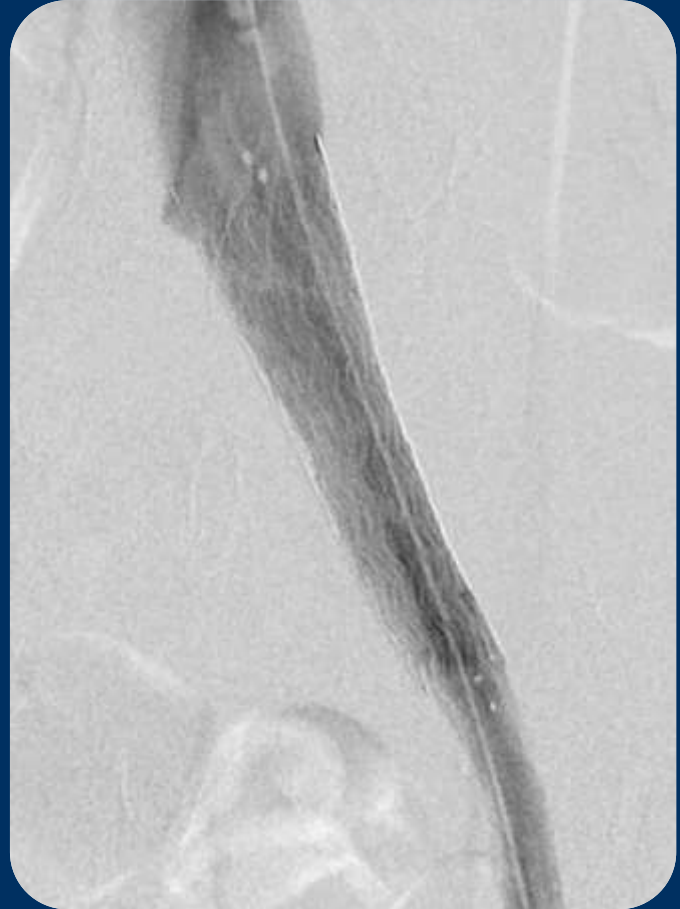
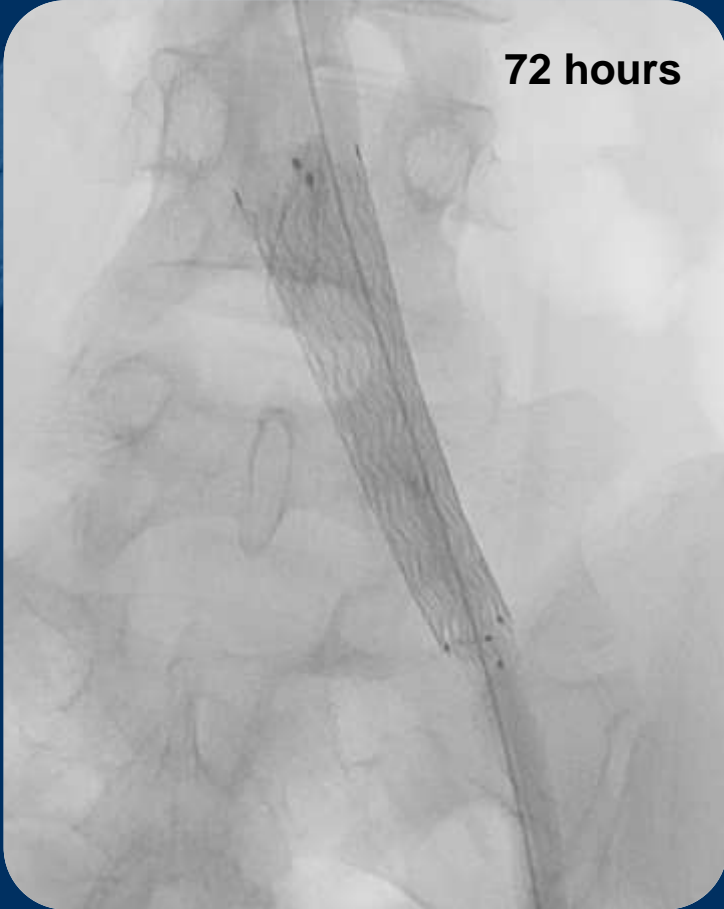


48 hours



Case

72 hours



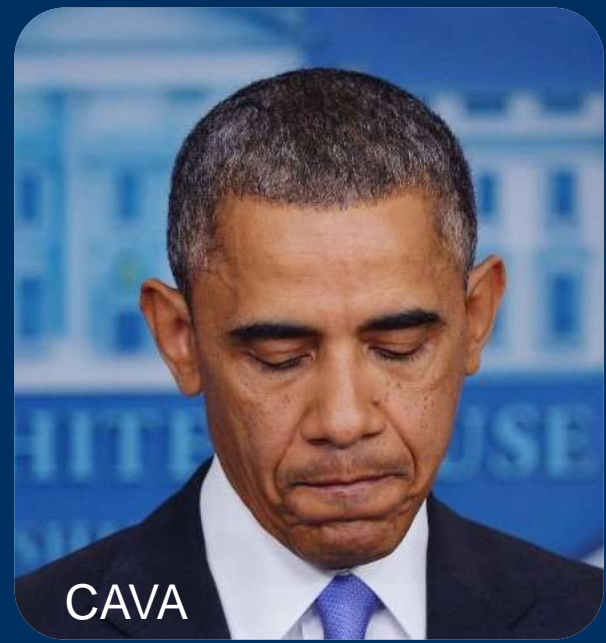
Advantage

- Clearly defined proximal DVT--> homogeneous study population (contrary to ATTRACT and CaVenT)

Disadvantages

- Many centres with low expertise
- 1 year follow up is too short (shorter than ATTRACT and CaVenT)
- Slow and lengthy patient recruitment (stringent inclusion criteria)
- Venography alone was used to assess residual thrombus (no IVUS)
- Usage of non dedicated venous stents (inclusion from 2010)

What do we expect?



I am afraid to be disappointed again

Thank you very much

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