

Long-term positive results from device to sand away severe calcium in coronary arteries

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After two years, patients treated with orbital atherectomy, a device that sands away severely calcified plaque in the coronary arteries prior to stenting, continued to show positive results, according to new data from the ORBIT II trial presented today as a late-breaking clinical trial at the Society for Cardiovascular Angiography and Interventions (SCAI) 2015 Scientific Sessions.

ORBIT II is the first atherectomy study to exclusively investigate severely calcified lesions. It included patients who are usually excluded from large clinical trials, such as patients on hemodialysis or with low left ventricular ejection fraction (

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