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Angiographic and Clinical Outcomes following Everolimus—versus Sirolimus—eluting Stents Implantation in Chronic Total Occlusion Intervention

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Background: Newer drug-eluting stents (DES) are developed with hope of improving efficacy and safety. However, whether everolimus-eluting stents (EES) may provide better angiographic and clinical outcomes compared with sirolimus-eluting stents (SES) in patients (pts) with chronic total occlusions (CTO) is undetermined. Methods: A total 80 consecutive pts who underwent CTO intervention with DESs were enrolled for this study. We compared 6-month angiographic and 12-month clinical outcomes between SES group (Cypher, n=48) and EES group (Xience, Promus, Promus Element, n=32) after successful CTO intervention. Patients treated with two different DESs were excluded. Results: Baseline characteristics were similar between the two groups. At index, angiographic, procedural parameters and complications were similar between the two groups, except lesion length was longer in SES group (29. 22±5.56 vs. 25. 39±5.73, p=0.003). Six months angiographic outcomes were similar between the two groups, Similar results were found at twelve months cumulative clinical outcomes. Conclusions: In pts undergoing CTO intervention, EES showed similar mid-term angiographic and 1-year clinical outcomes as compared with SES.