

Risk up for triple Tx versus DAPT in DES implantation with A-fib

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(HealthDay)—For patients undergoing percutaneous coronary



intervention (PCI) with drug-eluting stents (DES), atrial fibrillation (AF) is associated with increased risks, with no benefit and higher risk seen for triple therapy compared to dual antiplatelet therapy (DAPT), according to a study published online May 17 in *JACC: Cardiovascular Interventions*.

Hyo-In Choi, M.D., from the University of Ulsan College of Medicine in Seoul, South Korea, and colleagues examined data from 10,027 patients who underwent DES implantation and compared the efficacy and safety of dual antiplatelet therapy (DAPT) and triple therapy in patients with AF.

The researchers found that at index PCI, 7.1 percent of patients had a diagnosis of AF. During the six-year follow-up period, the rate of primary outcome (composite of cardiovascular death, myocardial infarction, or stroke) after PCI was significantly higher in patients with versus those without AF (22.1 versus 8.0 percent; P

"Among patients receiving DES implantation, AF was not rare and was associated with increased ischemic and bleeding risk," the authors write. "In <u>patients</u> with AF, triple <u>therapy</u> was not associated with decreased ischemic events but was associated with increased bleeding risk compared to DAPT."

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