



Catheter thrombectomy for acute ischemic stroke in cardiology cath lab: 10 years results

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Catheter thrombectomy in stroke

Class I AHA/ASA recommendation 2019

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- Time of onset $\leq 6\text{h}$
- NIHSS ≥ 6
- ASPECT ≥ 6 (extent of early ischemic changes)
- Prestroke mRS 0-1
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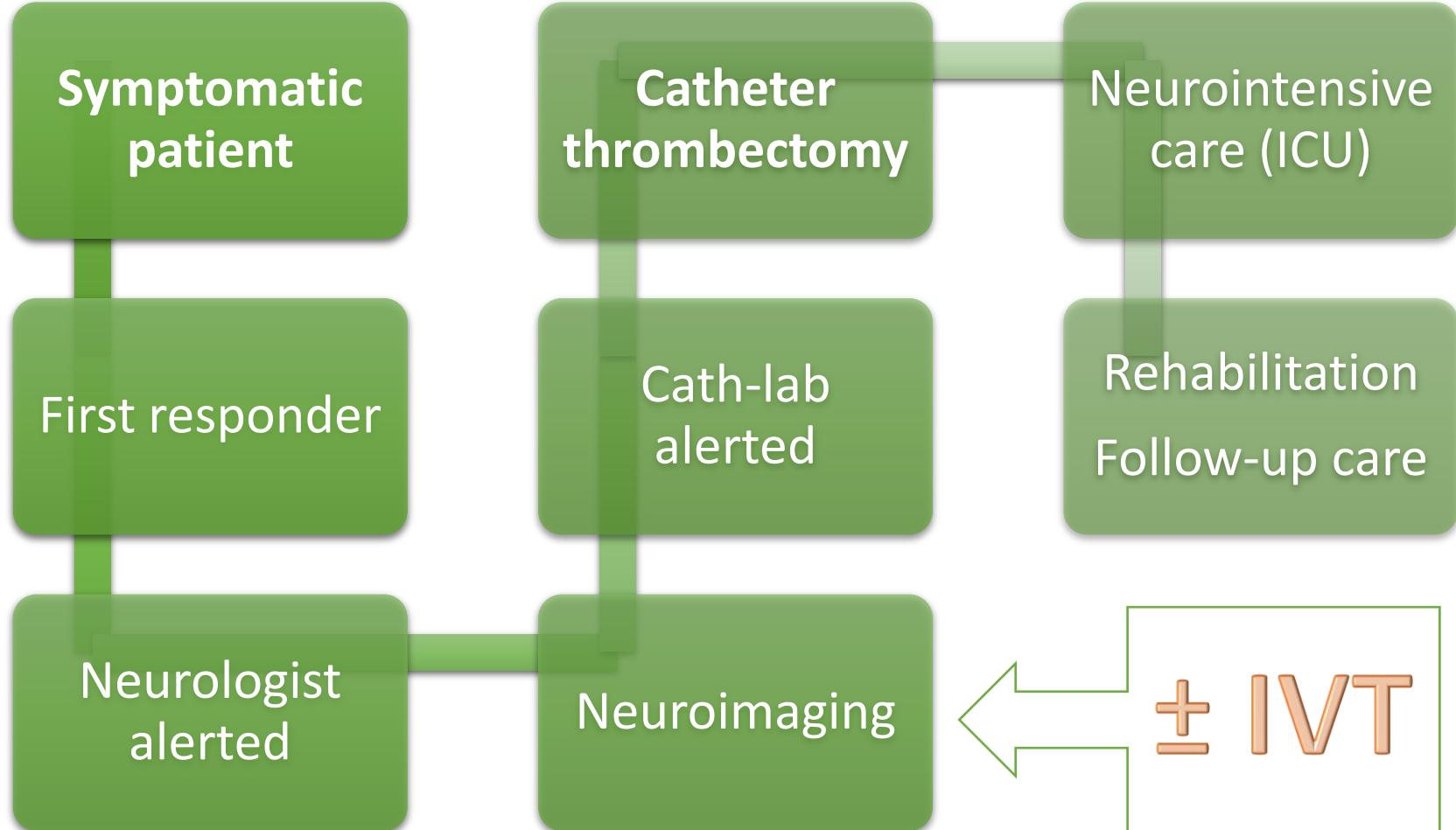
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Exclusion criteria

- Prestroke mRS > 2
- Intracranial bleeding
- Prognosis limiting illness
- Severe hypoglycemia
- Pregnancy



Patient pathway in FNKV





Patients characteristics

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	10/2022	Total
No. of procedures	4	15	28	37	44	57	66	82	66	79	76	554
Age (yrs ± SD)	60±15	64±14	65±9	67±12	68±10	69±13	70±13	72±14	71±10	72±12	67±16	69±13
Women, No. (%)	3 (75)	7 (47)	12 (43)	14 (38)	21 (48)	27 (47)	28 (43)	48 (59)	24 (36)	37 (47)	40 (53)	261 (47)
NIHSS score												
Median	15	16	18	18	15	12	15	15	16	15	16	15
IQR	11–18	14–20	15–19	15–21	10–19.5	9–18	8–19	10–20	12–20	11–20	10–19	10–20

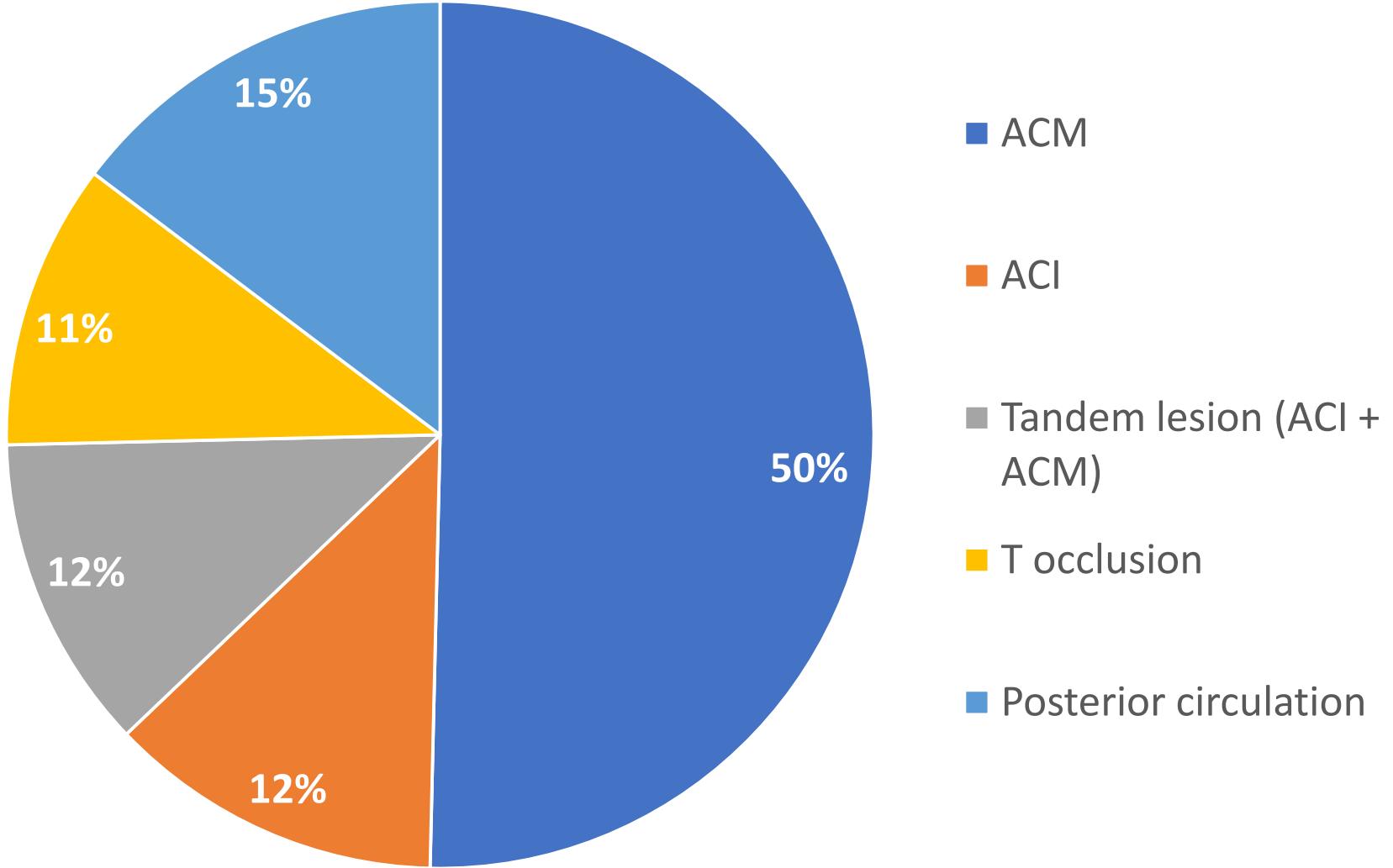


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Diabetes mellitus, nr. (%)	1 (25)	6 (40)	7 (25)	6 (16)	11 (25)	18 (32)	19 (29)	21 (26)	16 (24)	22 (28)	15 (20)	142 (26)
Hypertension, No. (%)	1 (25)	8 (53)	24 (86)	26 (70)	37 (84)	35 (61)	48 (74)	61 (74)	49 (74)	62 (78)	52 (68)	403 (73)
Dyslipidemia, No. (%)	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (7)	14 (38)	19 (43)	25 (44)	34 (52)	57 (70)	38 (57)	43 (54)	37 (49)	269 (49)
Previous TIA/CMP, No. (%)	0 (0)	1 (7)	1 (4)	9 (24)	8 (18)	12 (21)	20 (31)	20 (24)	13 (20)	9 (11)	8 (11)	101 (18)

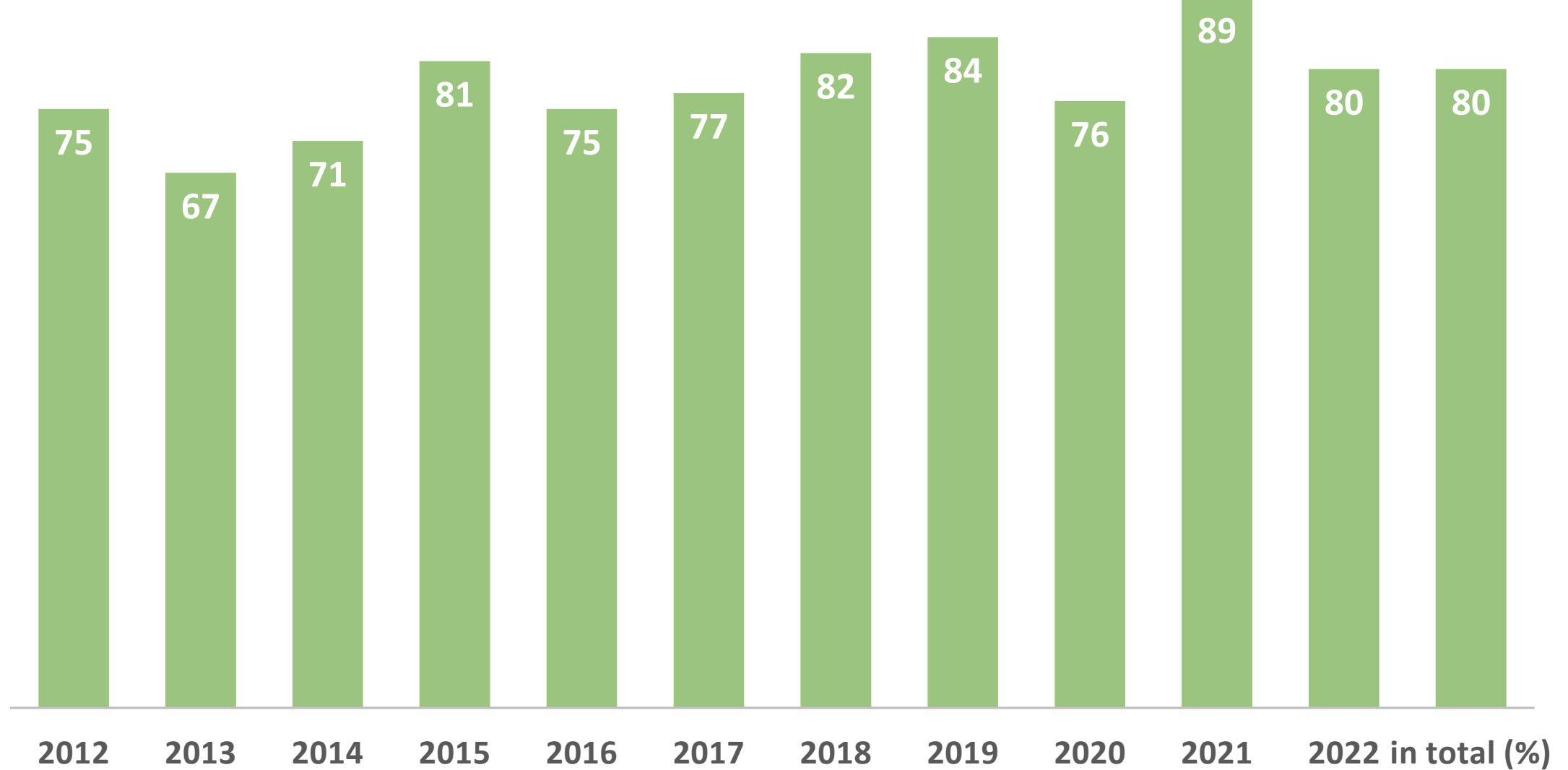


Stroke anatomy (n=554)



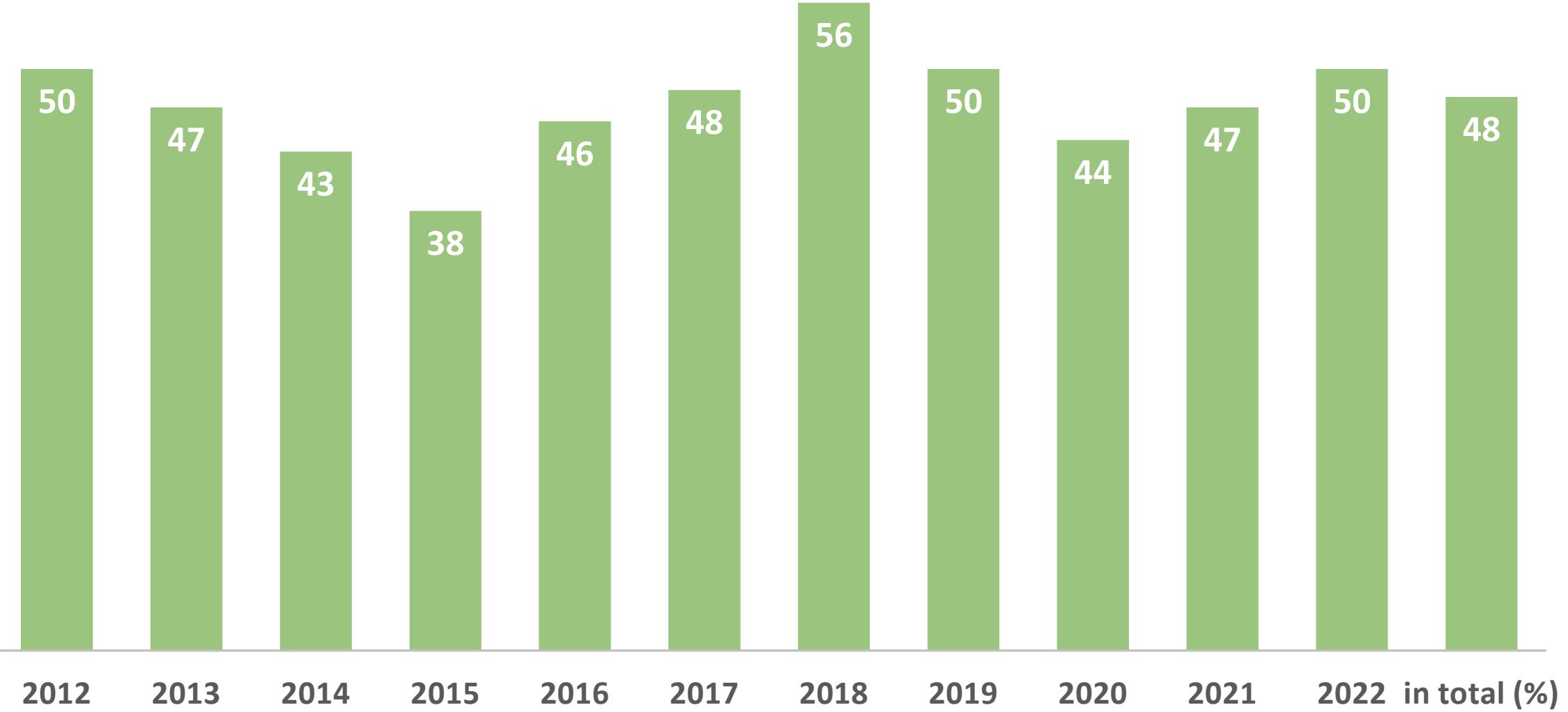


TICI 2b/3 (%)



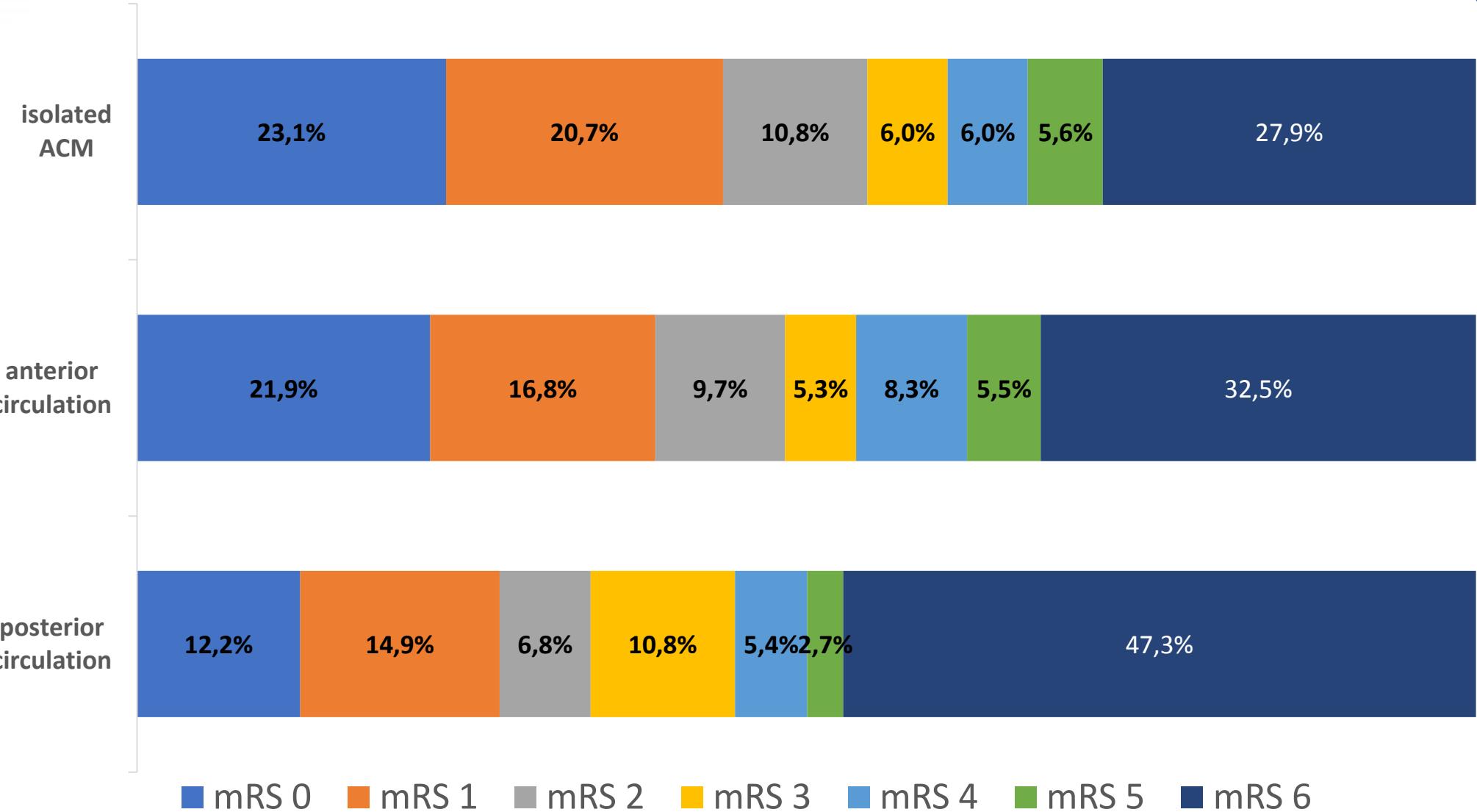


Functional independence % (mRS 0-2)



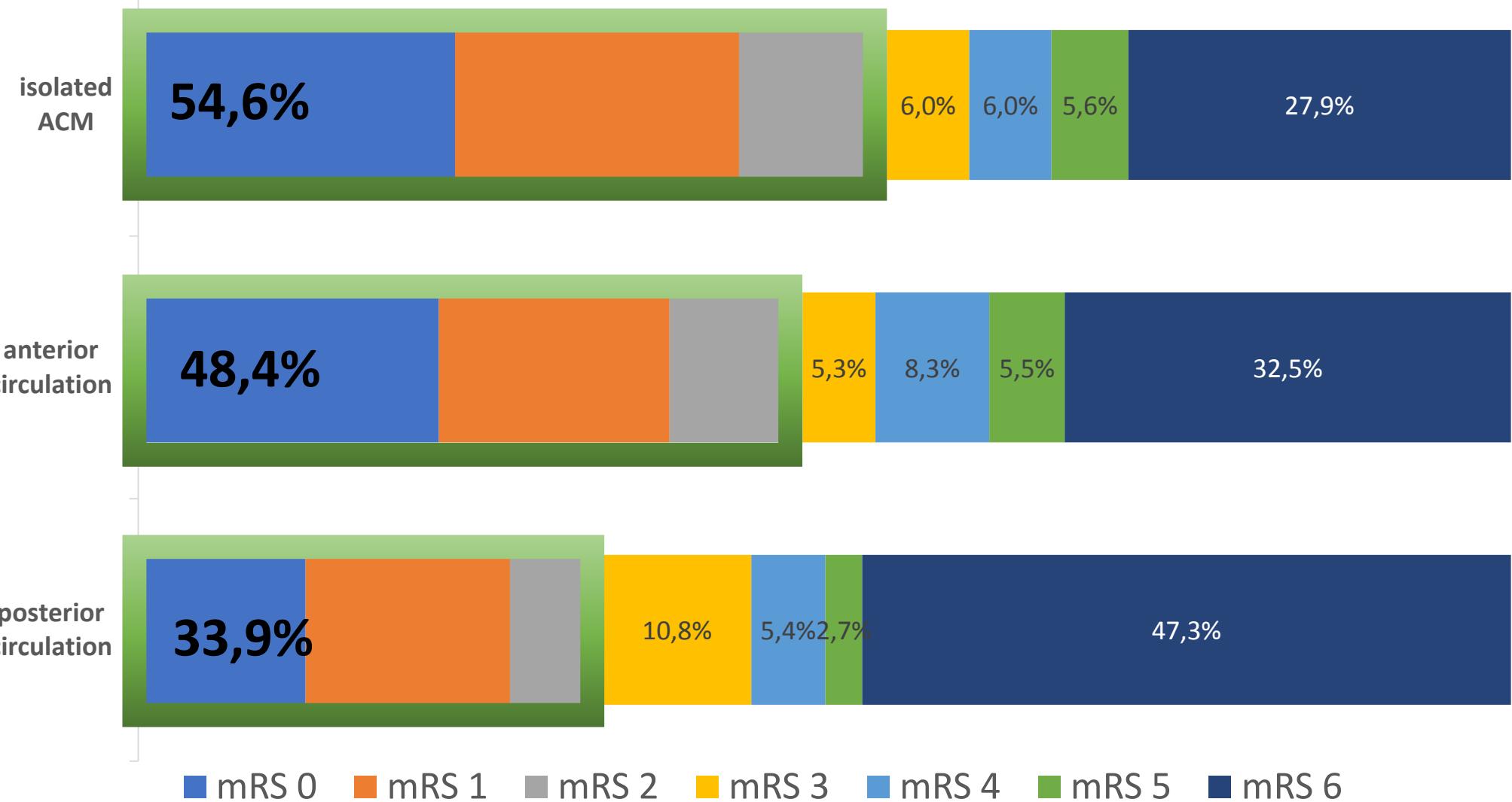


90day mRS by anatomy (%)



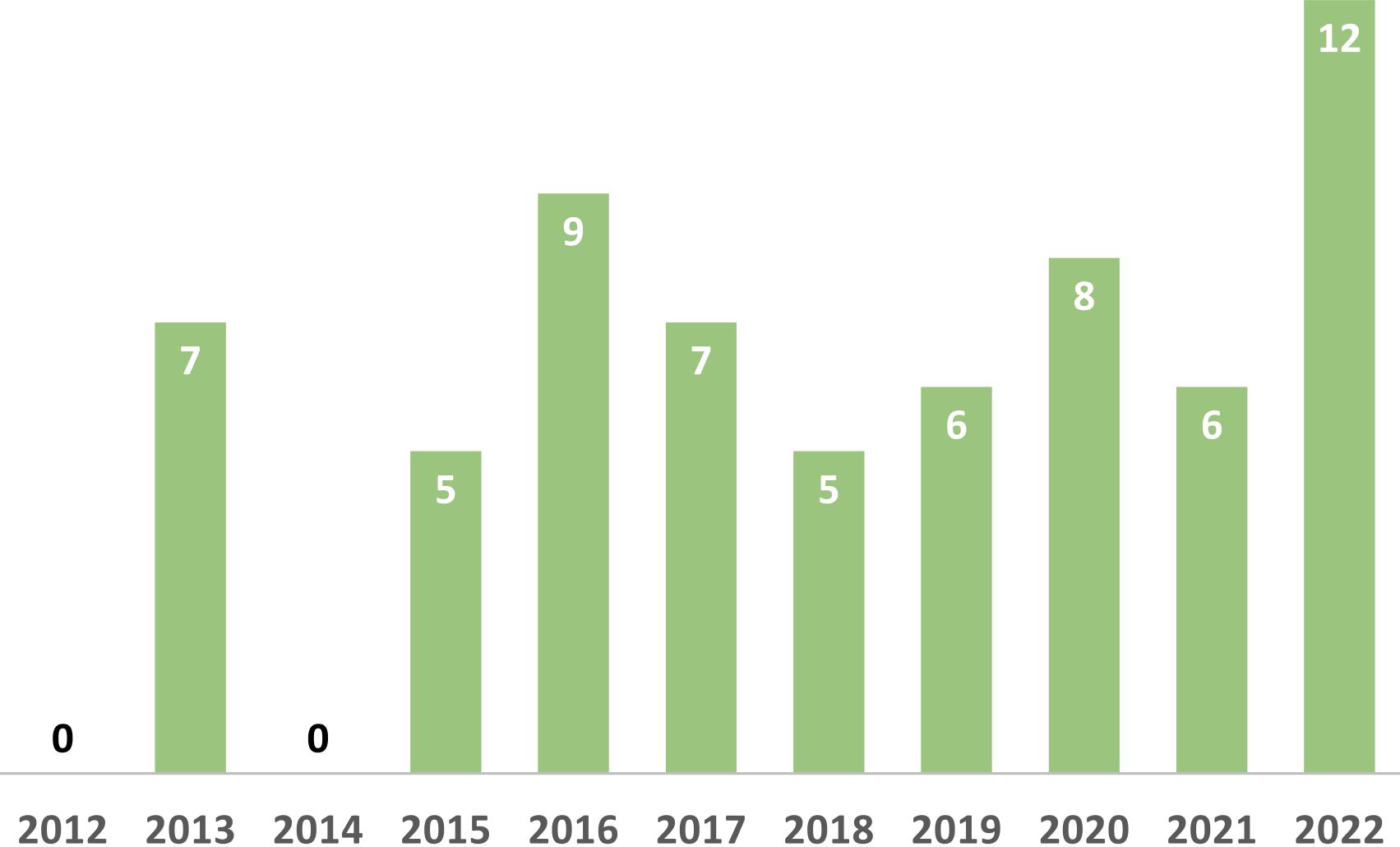


mRS (0-2) by anatomy (%)





Major complications (%)



Defined as:

- Artery puncture, dissection
- sICH
- Periprocedural death or neurological worsening



Data comparison

Anterior circulation	FNKV (n=467)	HERMES (n=634)
90day mRS 0-2	48,40%	46%
NIHSS baseline (median)	15	17
ASPECT (median)	8	9
sICH	7,49%	4,40%

HERMES meta-analysis: data from MR CLEAN, ESCAPE, REVASCAT, SWIFT PRIME, and EXTEND IA

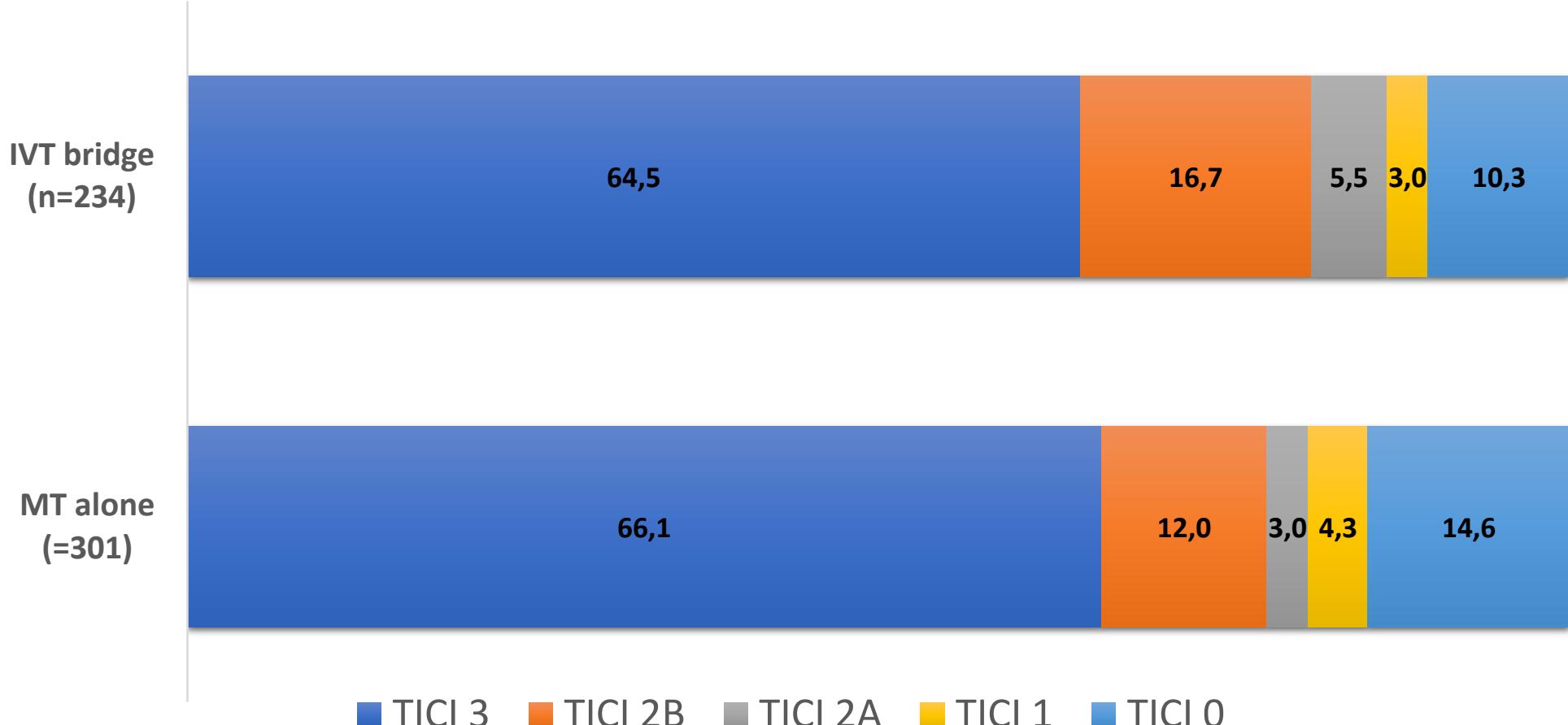


IVT bridging

- MT alone or bridging IVT?
- Inconclusive evidence (DIRECT-MT, SKIP, DEVT, MR CLEAN – NO IV)

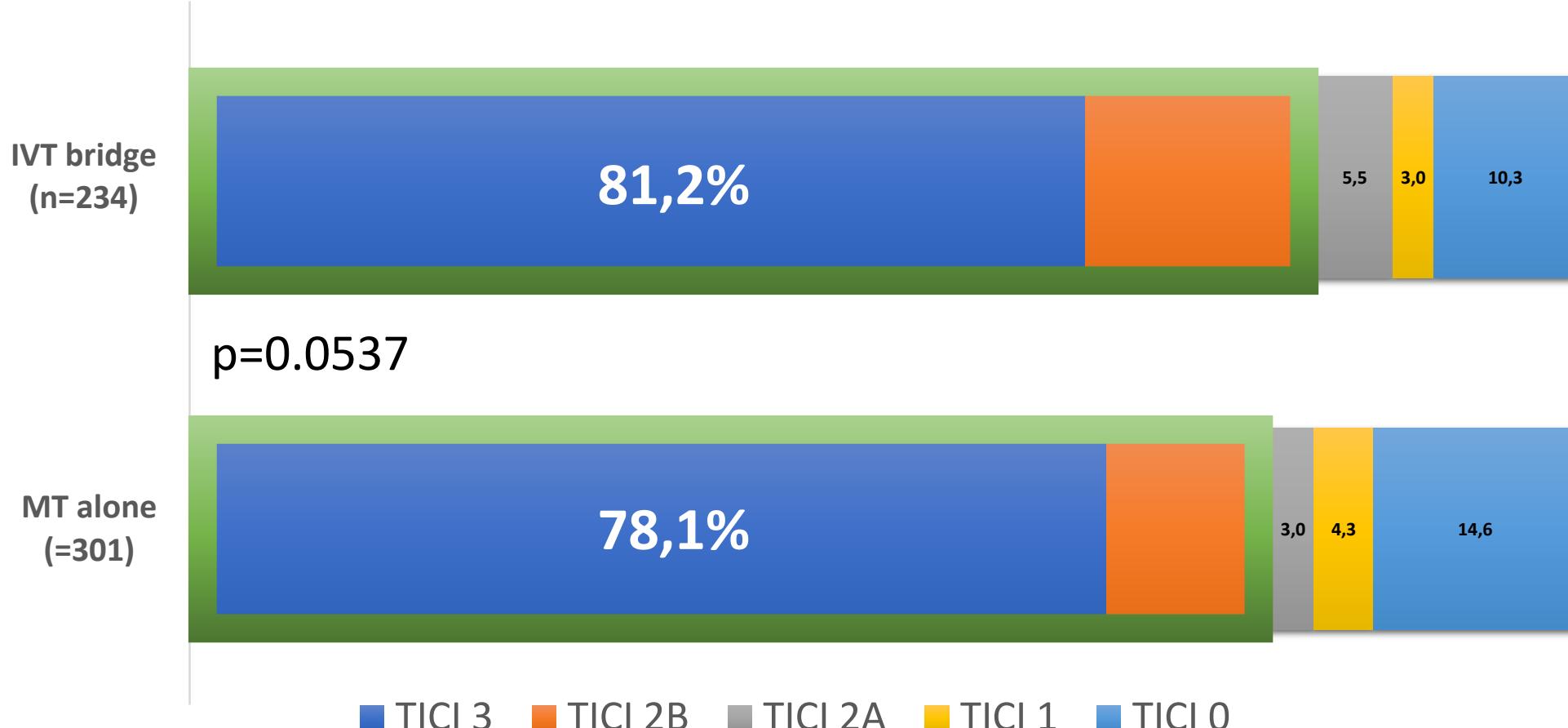


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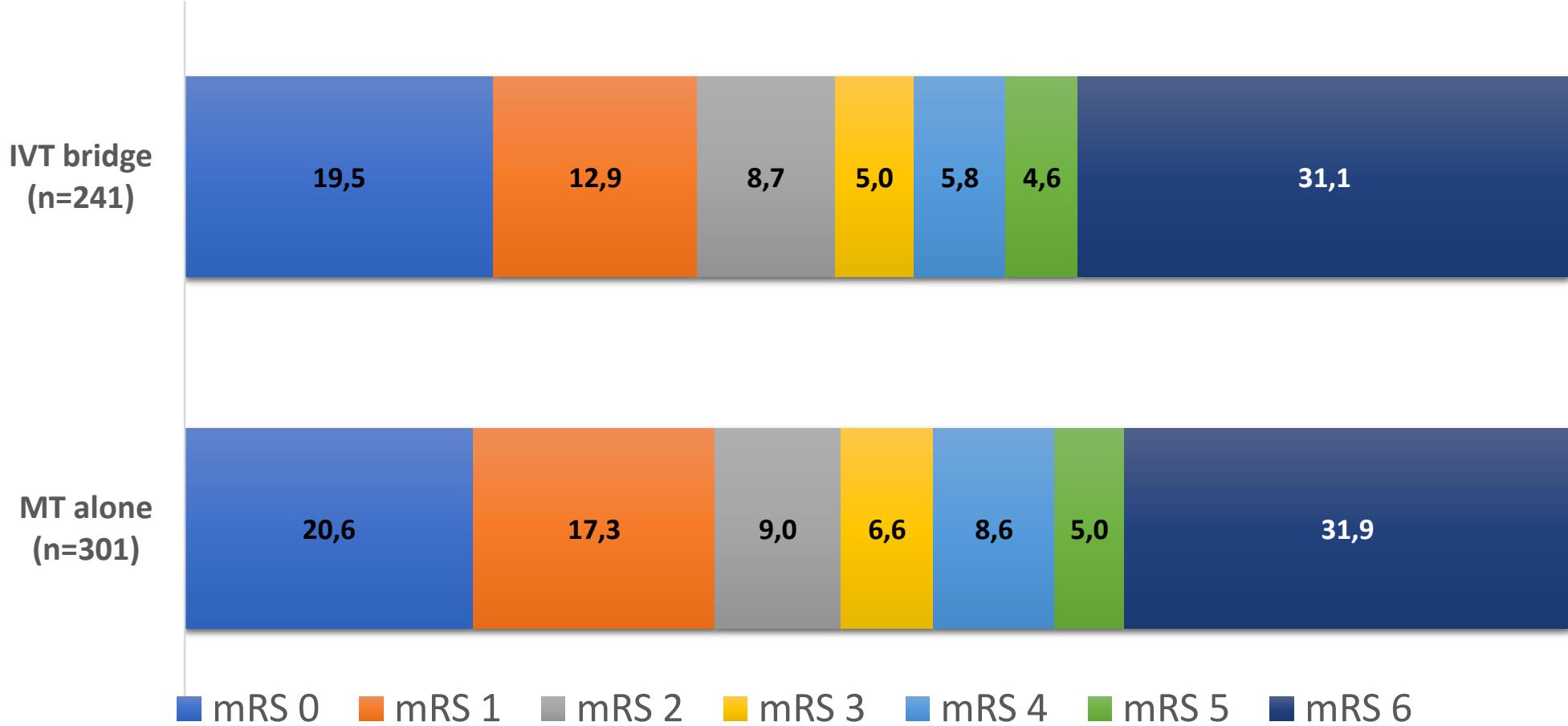


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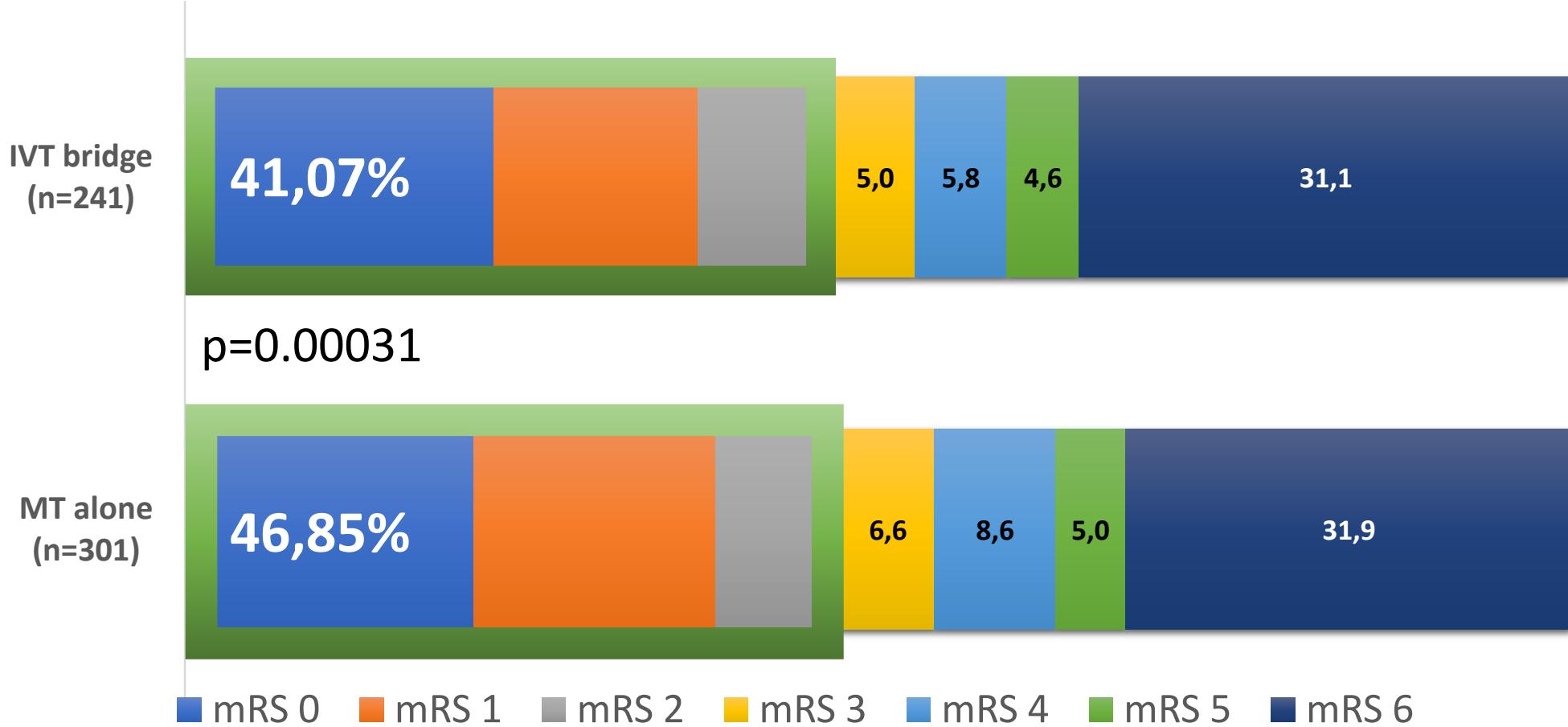


IVT bridging – 90day mRS (%)





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IVT bridging – complications (%)

	Embolization in new territory	Embolization to distal territory
IVT bridge (n=224)	5,8%	9,37%
MT alone (n=301)	2,3%	10,63%

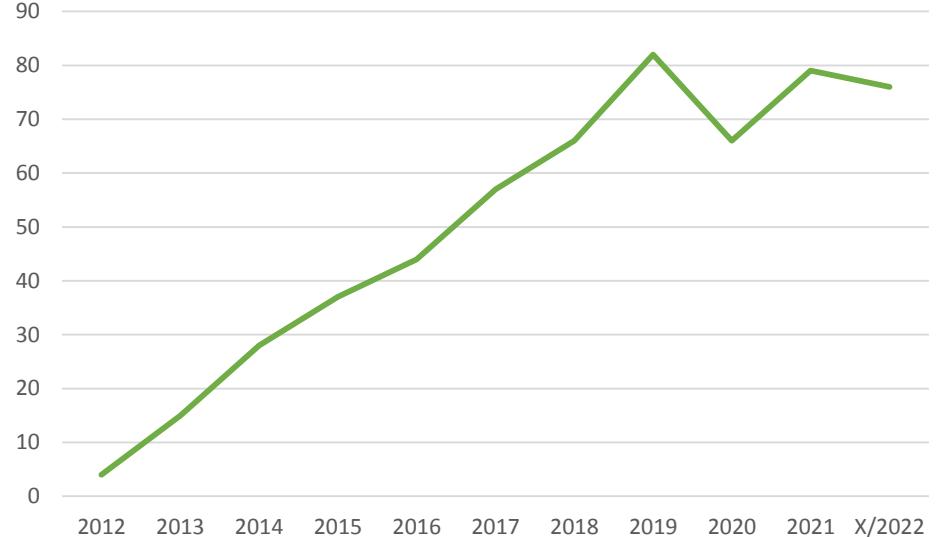
Symptomatic intracranial hemorrhage	
IVT bridge (n=235)	7,23 %
MT alone (n=301)	7,30 %



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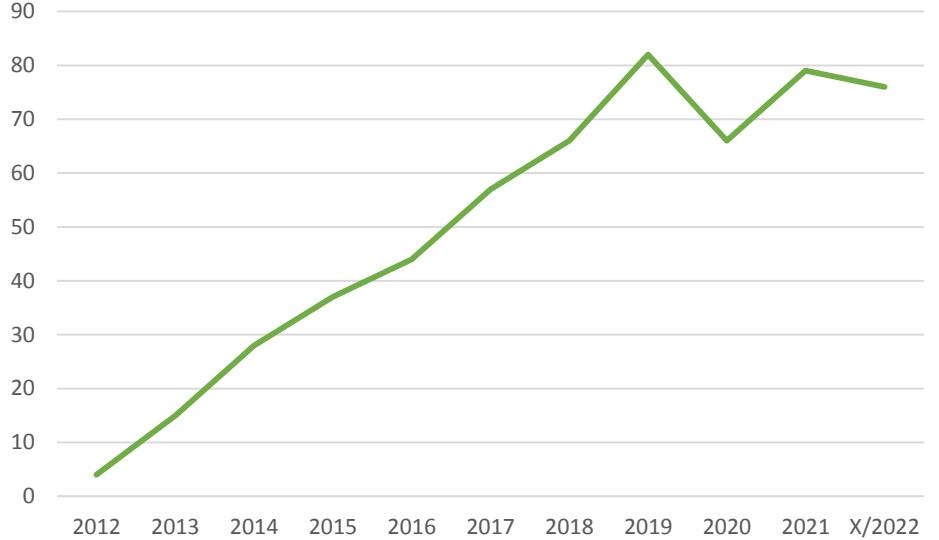




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