



# Prospective Longitudinal Trial of $\text{FFR}_{\text{CT}}$ Outcome and Resource Impacts

Clinical outcomes of  $\text{FFR}_{\text{CT}}$ -guided diagnostic strategies versus usual care in patients with suspected coronary artery disease

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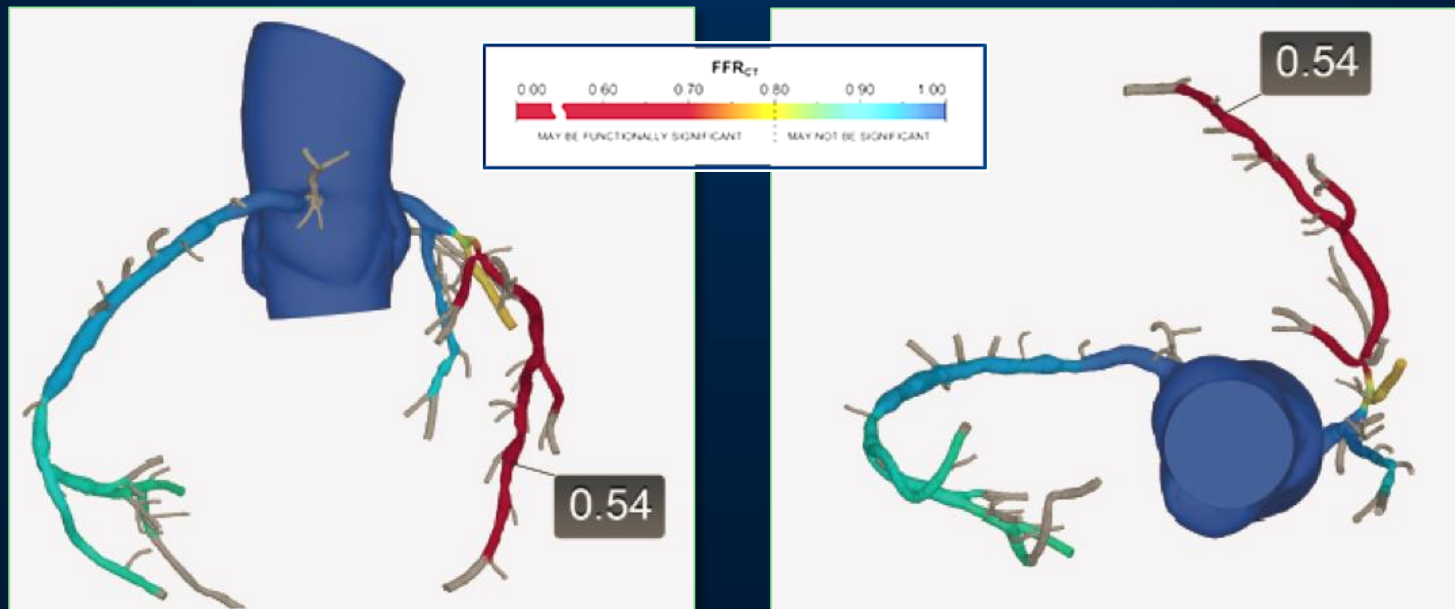


# Background and Aim

- The optimal evaluation of new onset stable chest pain is uncertain. Ideally, testing will clarify the diagnosis and direct subsequent care while maximizing efficiency and safety.
- The recent PROMISE and SCOT-HEART trials compared anatomic and functional strategies, finding that CTA improved processes of care. However, CTA also increased rates of invasive catheterization and revascularization with no significant reduction in events.
- Fractional Flow Reserve derived from CTA ( $FFR_{CT}$ ) may address these limitations by providing both functional and anatomic data.
- **STUDY AIM:** To determine whether use of a CTA/ $FFR_{CT}$  guided strategy, as compared to standard practice, will reduce the rate of invasive angiograms that show no obstructive CAD, without increasing the occurrence of major cardiac events.

# Fractional Flow Reserve by CTA ( $\text{FFR}_{\text{CT}}$ )

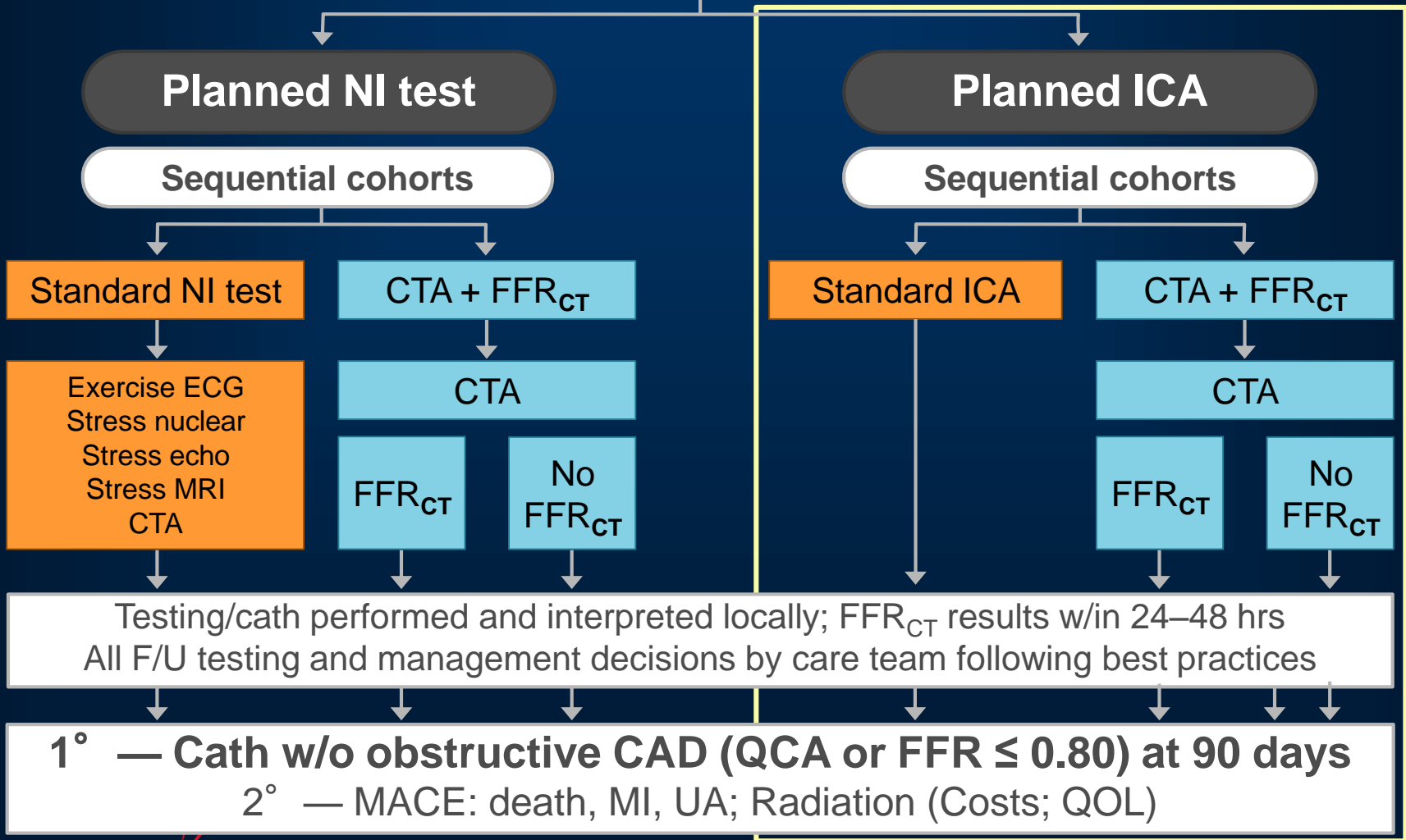
- Routine CTA images are segmented and analysed quantitatively
- 3D coronary blood flow is modelled using computational fluid dynamics
- Maximal hyperemia is simulated to derive pressure and flow data, expressed as numeric values similar to invasive FFR evaluation
- $\text{FFR}_{\text{CT}}$  has been validated against invasively measured FFR



Hemodynamically significant LAD lesion by  $\text{FFR}_{\text{CT}}$

# PLATFORM Trial Design

Stable CAD symptoms; Planned non-emergent NI test or catheterization  
Age  $\geq$  18y; No prior CAD hx; Intermediate pretest probability of CAD



# Endpoints and Statistical Analyses

- For the primary endpoint of the rate of ICA without finding obstructive CAD, a sample size was used which provided 90% power to detect a 50% reduction with FFR<sub>CT</sub> guided care, using a one-sided Wald test for a risk difference  $< 0$  with an  $\alpha$  error = 0.025
  - Absence of obstructive CAD was determined by a blinded central laboratory
  - Three sensitivity analyses performed: Propensity-matched, Best practices, Analyzable images; Primary endpoint also assessed using site read data
- Safety endpoints: MACE adjudicated by blinded CEC
- All treatment comparisons were performed as allocated (ITT)
- All statistical assessments were independently confirmed by Duke Clinical Research Institute

# Cohort Assignment and Follow-up

Enrolled and consented; N=584  
Sept 13, 2013 – Nov 26, 2014

Enrollment

Planned NI test (N=204)

Planned ICA (N=380)

Allocation

Sequential cohorts

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Standard NI test  
N=100

FFR<sub>CT</sub> guided  
N=104

Standard ICA  
N=187

FFR<sub>CT</sub> guided  
N=193

Received NI test  
N=100 pts

CTA / FFR<sub>CT</sub>  
N=104

CTA / FFR<sub>CT</sub>  
N=193

69% CTAs sent for FFR<sub>CT</sub>  
FFR<sub>CT</sub> calculated in 87%  
ICA cancelled in 61%

Invasive cath N=12  
Revascularization N=5

Invasive cath N=19  
Revascularization N=10

Invasive cath N=187  
Revascularization N=59

Invasive cath N=76  
Revascularization N=55

90-day follow-up  
complete (N=97; 97.0%)

90-day follow-up  
complete (N=101; 97.1%)

90-day follow-up  
complete (N=179; 95.7%)

90-day follow-up  
complete (N=186; 96.4%)

Follow-up

Analysis  
(N=100; 100%)

Analysis  
(N=104; 100%)

Analysis  
(N=187; 100%)

Analysis  
(N=193; 100%)

Analysis

# Baseline Characteristics

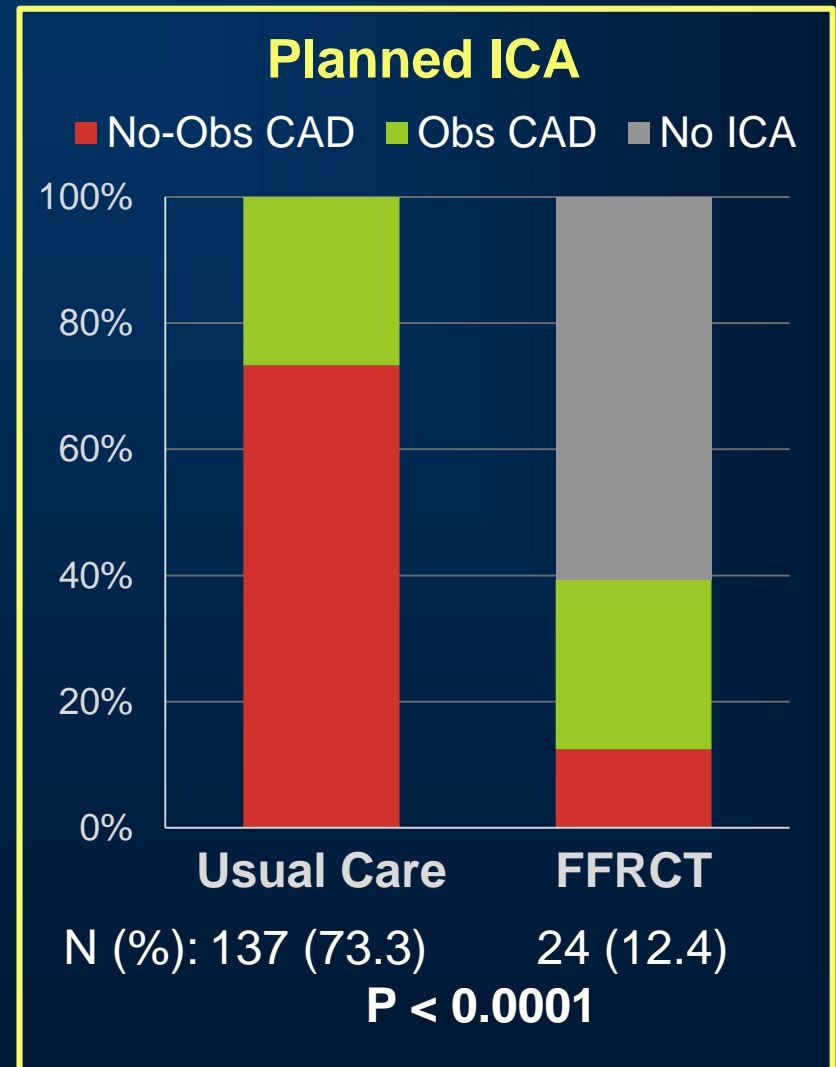
	Planned NI Test N=204			Planned ICA N=380		
	Usual care strategy N=100	FFR <sub>CT</sub> strategy N=104	P value	Usual care strategy N=187	FFR <sub>CT</sub> strategy N=193	P value
<b>Demographics</b>						
Age — mean ± SD, yr	57.9 ± 10.7	59.5 ± 9.3	0.25	63.4 ± 10.9	60.7 ± 10.2	0.02
Female sex — no. (%)	34(34.0)	44 (42.3)	0.22	79 (42.2)	74 (38.3)	0.44
Racial/ethnic minority — no. (%)	5 (5.0)	0 (0.0)	0.06	2 (1.1)	1 (0.5)	0.60
<b>Cardiac risk factors</b>						
Hypertension — no. (%)	38 (38.0)	57 (54.8)	0.02	111 (59.4)	111 (57.5)	0.72
Diabetes — no. (%)	8 (8.0)	6 (5.8)	0.52	36 (19.3)	30 (15.5)	0.33
Dyslipidemia — no. (%)	22 (22.0)	28 (26.9)	0.49	76 (40.6)	77 (39.9)	0.81
Tobacco use — no. (%)	52(52.0)	59 (56.7)	0.50	103 (55.1)	101 (52.3)	0.59
<b>Pre-test probability CAD — ±SD, % (Updated Diamond and Forrester)</b>	44.5 ± 15.3	45.3 ± 16.8	0.89	51.7 ± 16.7	49.4 ± 17.2	0.26
<b>Statin use — no. (%)</b>	24 (24.0)	29 (27.9)	0.58	83 (44.4)	77 (39.9)	0.37
<b>Angina — no. (% typical / atypical)</b>	99 (99.0)	98 (94.2)	0.02	174 (93.0)	187 (96.9)	0.09

# Primary Endpoint

## Invasive Catheterization w/o Obstructive CAD

Similar results in all pre-specified subgroups and cohorts

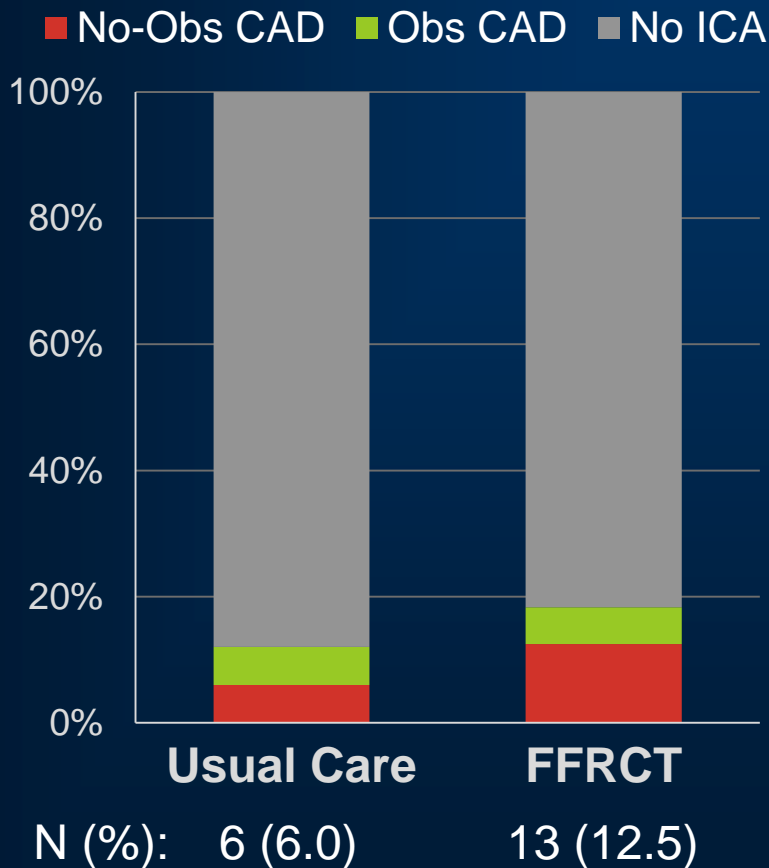
- Site-read ICA w/o obstructive CAD  
57% usual care; 9% FFR<sub>CT</sub>
- Age, sex, race, diabetes, pretest probability of CAD, country
- Propensity matched cohort
- Best practices cohort
- Adequate image cohort





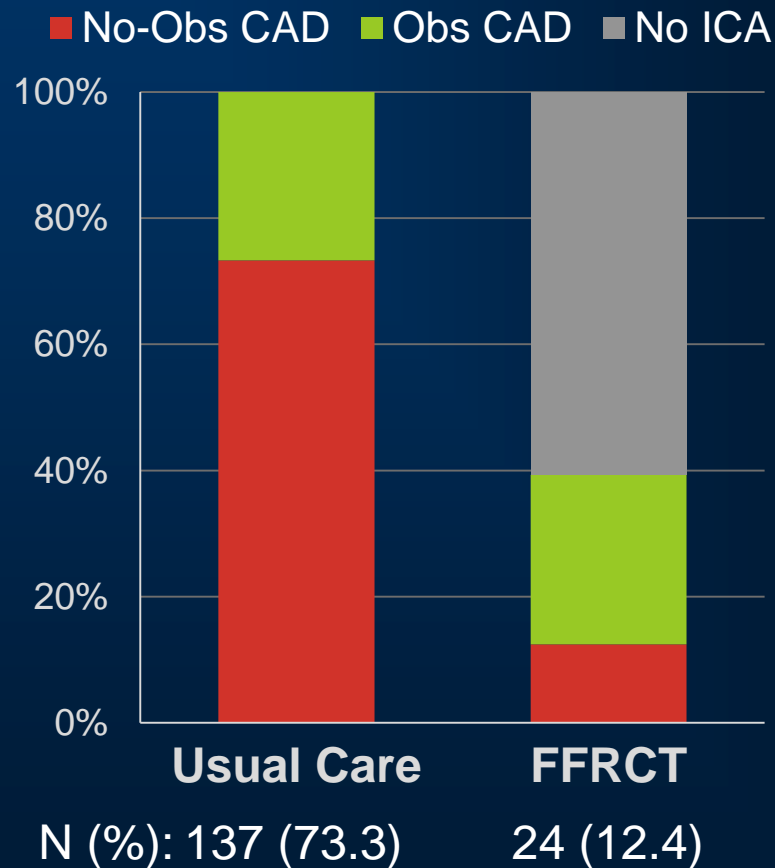
# Primary Endpoint Invasive Catheterization w/o Obstructive CAD

## Planned NI Test



**P = 0.95**

## Planned ICA



**P < 0.0001**

# Safety Endpoints and Data at Revascularization

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<b>SAFETY: MACE</b> — no. (%)	0	0		0	2 (1.0)	NA
<b>SAFETY: RADIATION EXPOSURE</b> (enrolment to 90 days)						
Mean ± SD, mSv	5.8 ± 7.1	8.8 ± 9.9	0.0002	9.4 ± 4.9	9.9 ± 8.7	0.20
<b>FUNCTIONAL DATA AT REVASCULARIZATION</b>						
PCI or CABG – no.	5	10	0.29	59	55	0.58
Functional data available	100%	90%	1.0	51%	96%	<0.0001

# Summary

- PLATFORM enrolled a symptomatic, intermediate risk population for whom testing is currently recommended
- Use of CT/FFR<sub>CT</sub> in patients with planned invasive catheterization was associated with a reduction in the rate of finding no obstructive CAD at ICA, from 73% to 12%
  - Similar results in all subgroups
  - No differences in MACE or radiation exposure
  - No differences in revascularization rates
- Use of FFR<sub>CT</sub> resulted in cancellation of 61% of ICAs and doubled the availability of functional data at PCI/CABG

# Conclusion

Among patients with planned ICA, use of a combined anatomic AND functional strategy employing CTA/FFR<sub>CT</sub> was safe and improved patient selection for invasive catheterization

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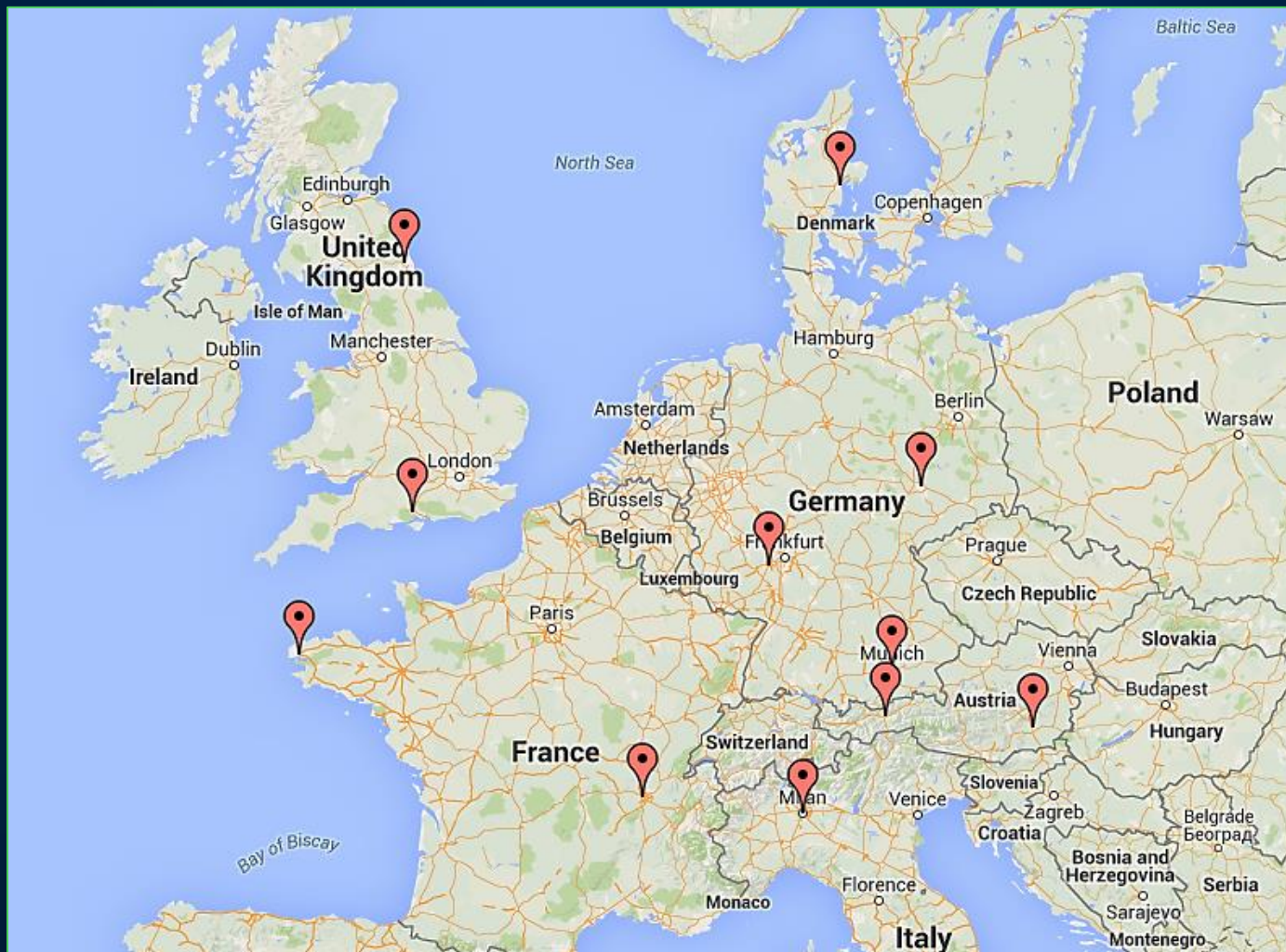
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