

# Growth Rates of the Normal, Sub-aneurysmal, and Aneurysmal Ascending Aorta:

A 5-year Follow-up Study from the Population-based  
Randomized DANCAVAS Screening Trials

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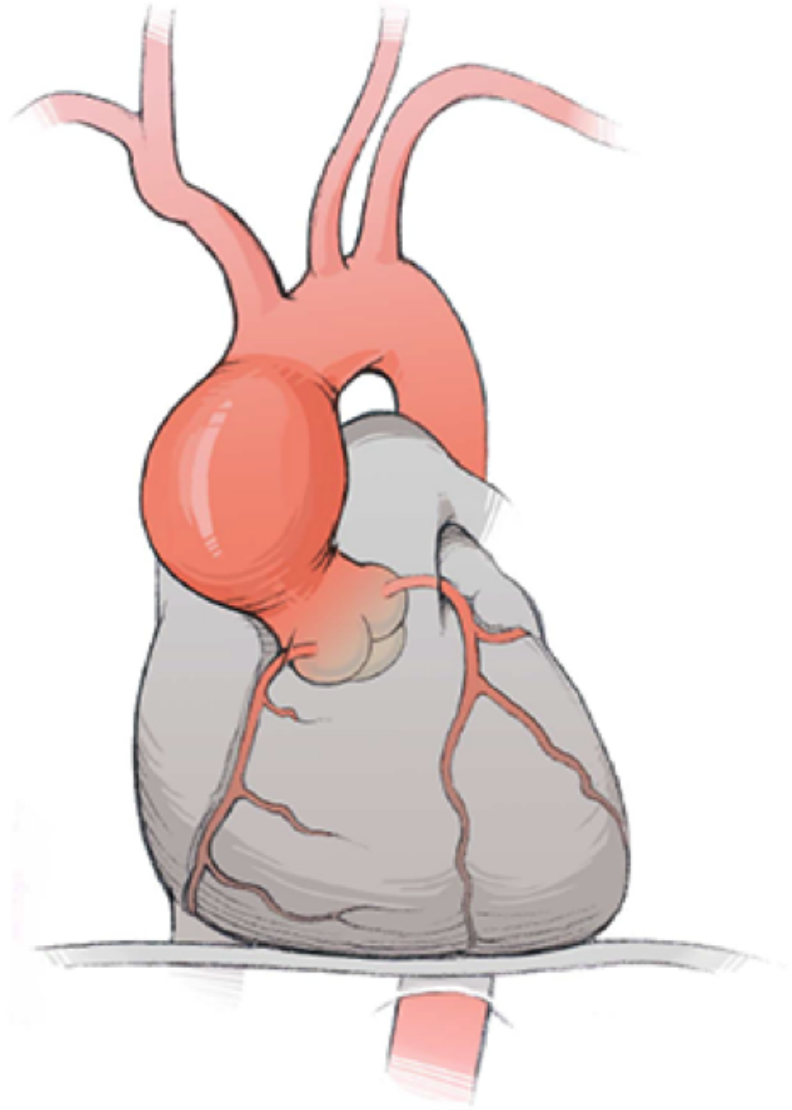
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A screening and intervention study

# Disclosures

✓ Nothing to declare

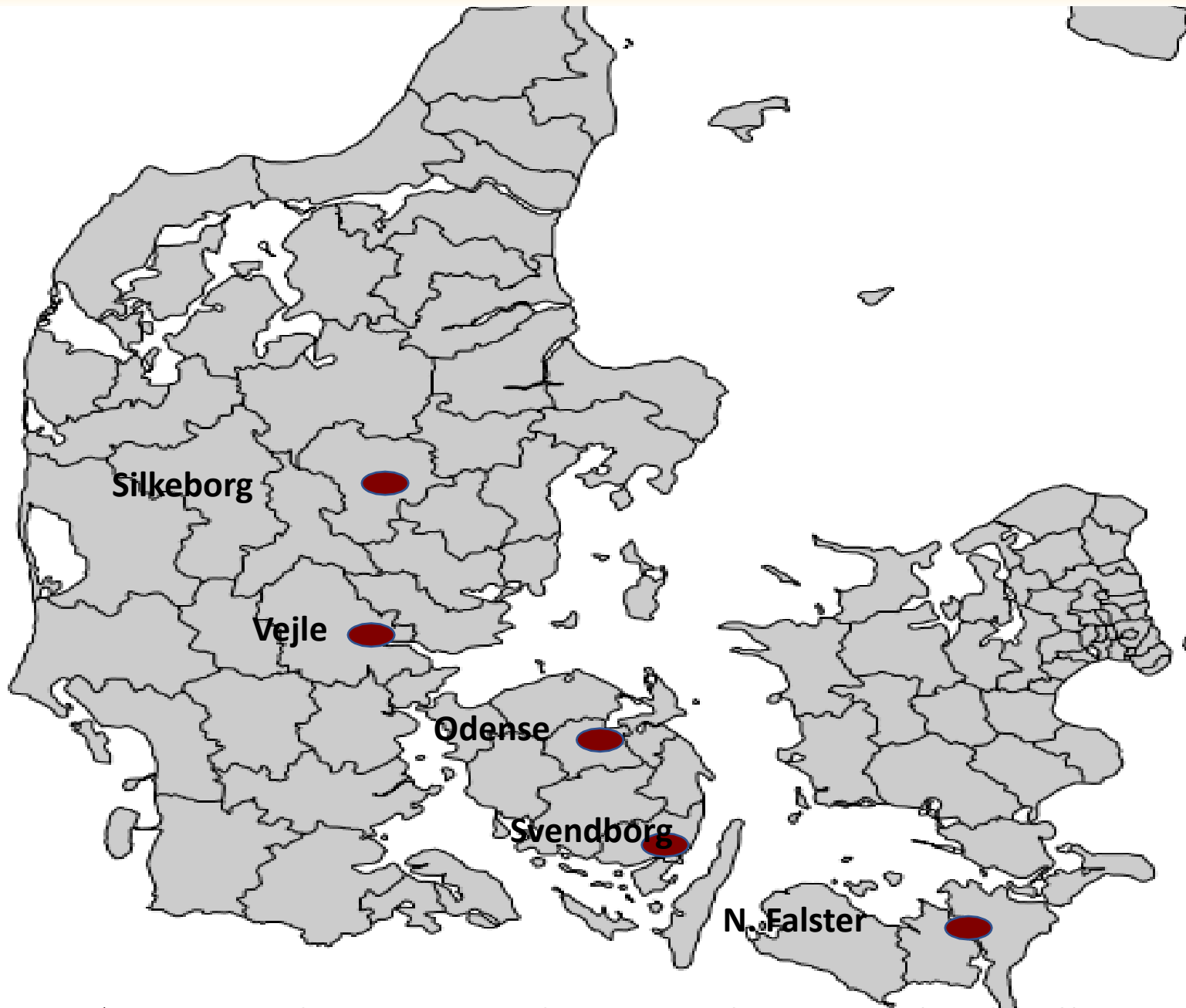


# Aims

- To report growth rates of the ascending aorta, stratified by baseline diameters:
  - Overall
  - Group A: Normal (<45 mm)
  - Group B: Sub-aneurysmal (45-49 mm)
  - Group C: Sub-aneurysmal (50-54 mm)
  - Group D: Aneurysmal (>55 mm)



2014-2018



DANCAVAS I

65-74 years

N = 45,000

Randomized 1:2

4 screening sites

DANCAVAS II

60-64 years

N = 30,000

Randomized 1:5

5 screening sites

Up-take of invited participants:

62.4%

Screened participants at baseline

14,235 men

754 women

# Invitation to re-CT scan

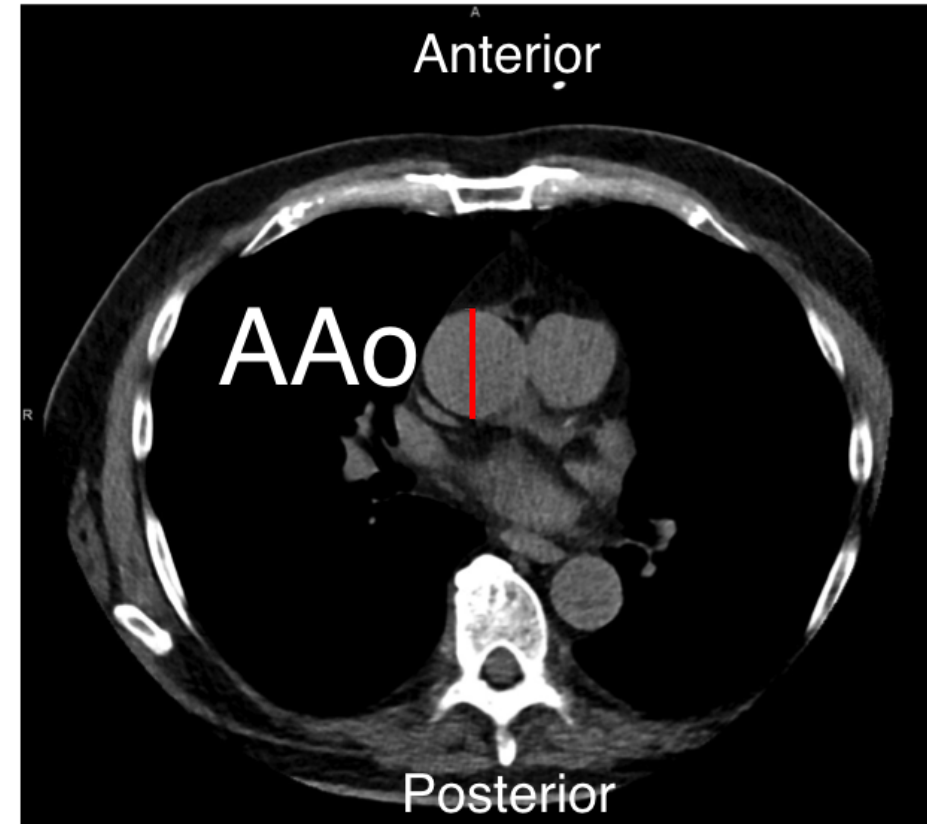
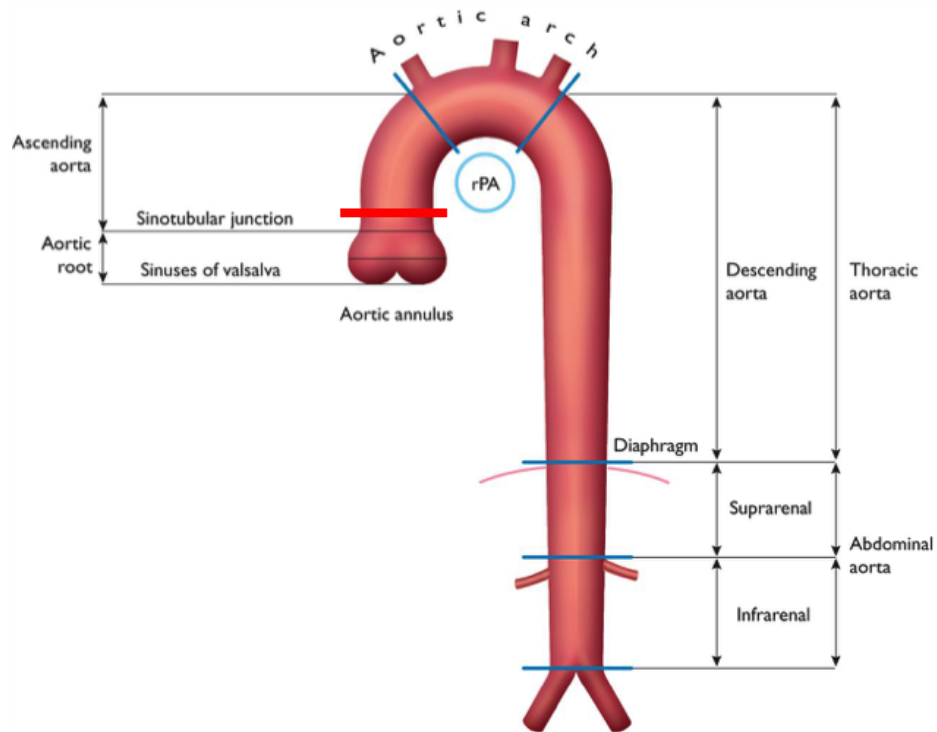


All participants  
from the pilot-  
study

All participants  
with baseline  
diameters >50 mm

Selected  
participants with  
baseline-diameters  
>45-49 mm

# Non-contrast CT-scan (n =)



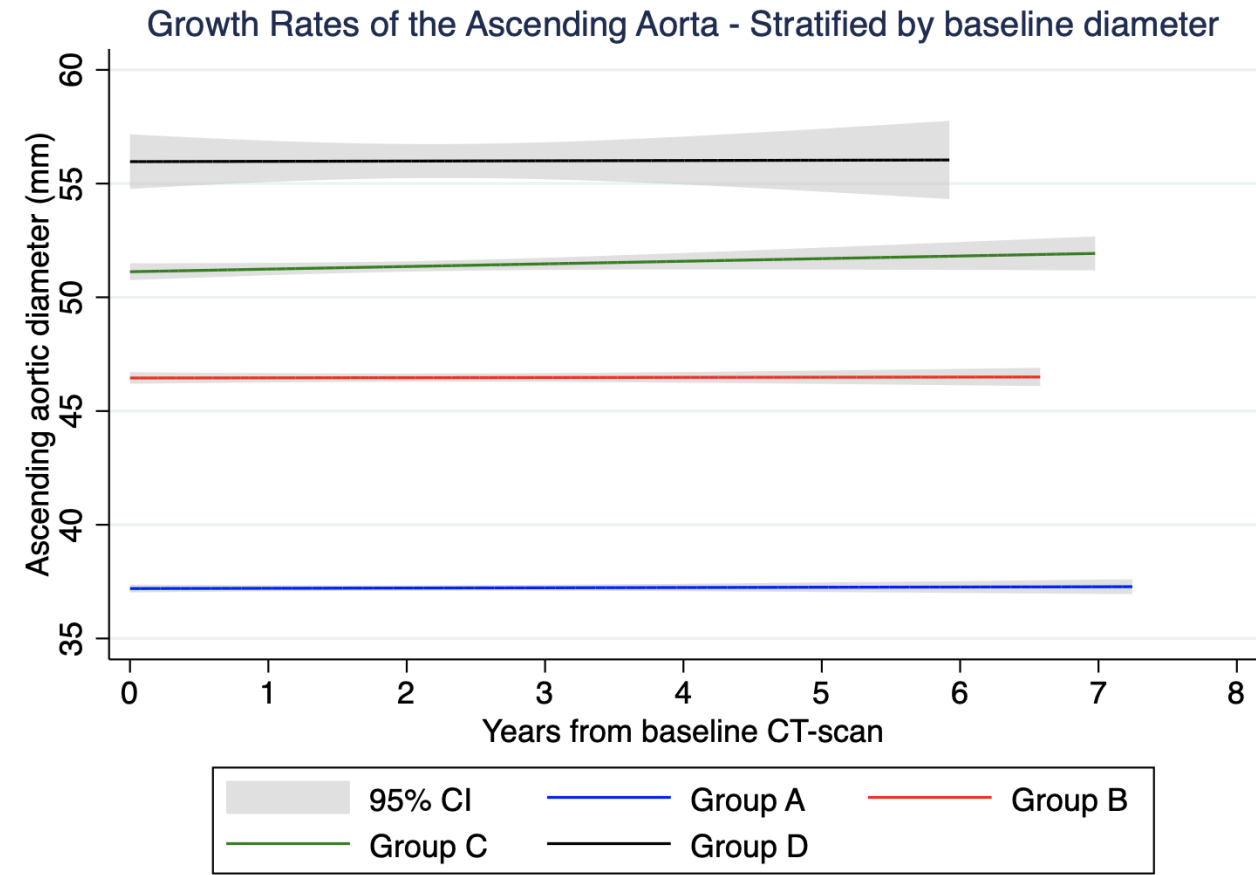
# Study population

- **2,012 participants >2 CT scans (men= 1554, women=458)**
  - Group A: baseline diameters <45 mm (n = 1,749, number of CT-scans = 4,071)
  - Group B: baseline diameters 45-49 mm (n = 187, number of CT-scans = 457)
  - Group C: baseline diameters 50-54 mm (n = 70, number of CT-scans = 308)
  - Group D: baseline diameters  $\geq 55$  mm (n = 6, number of CT-scans = 26).
- **Mean age at time of inclusion:**
  - $69 \pm 3$  years
- **Overall average diameter of AAO**
  - $38 \pm 5$  mm
- **Follow-up time from first to last scan**
  - $4.1 \pm 1.2$  years

## Results

Estimated adjusted\* annual growth of the ascending aorta:

- Overall : 0.11 mm/year (95% CI: 0.04—0.18)



\*Adjusted for age and sex

Group A: n = 1,749, number of CT-scans = 4,071

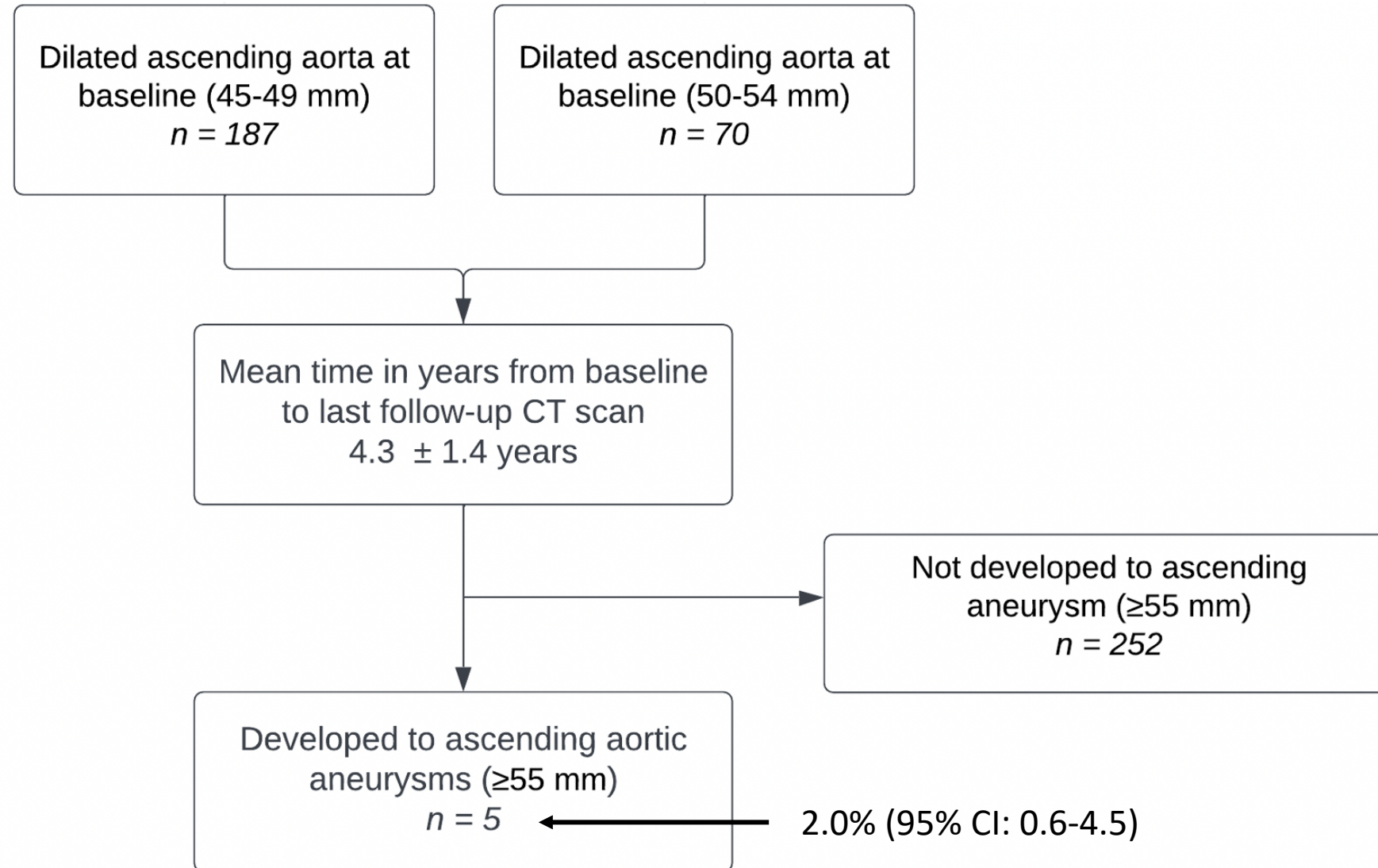
Group B: n = 187, number of CT-scans = 457

Group C: n = 70, number of CT-scans = 308

Group D: n = 6, number of CT-scans = 26



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# CONCLUSIONS

- Growth rates of the ascending aorta were close to none within 5 years regardless of baseline diameters.

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