Figure 1. CONSORT diagram showing the flow of participants through the trial comparing SCS with PMR

Assessed for eligibility (n=125)

Randomised (n=68)

Failed inclusion criteria (n=48)
Not suitable on presentation (n=9)

Allocated to SCS (n=34)
Received SCS (n=32)
(One refused procedure and withdrew)
(One had PMR)

Allocated to PMR (n=34)
Received PMR (n=33)
(One refused procedure and withdrew)

Lost to follow up for 12m (n=4)
Reasons:
Patient withdrew (n=2)
Patient died (n=1)
No primary endpoint data (n=1)

Lost to follow up for 24m (n=8)
Reasons:
Patient withdrew (n=1)
Patient died (n=4)
No primary endpoint data (n=3)
(And patient with no 12m endpoint also had no 24mo endpoint)

Primary outcome analysis (n=22)

Lost to follow up for 12m (n=4)
Reasons:
Patient withdrew (n=4)
No primary endpoint data (n=0)

Lost to follow up for 24m (n=9)
Reasons:
Patient withdrew (n=1)
Patient died (n=2)
No primary endpoint data (n=6)

Primary outcome analysis (n=21)