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While I agree with the sample size estimation, assuming I have interpreted the description of sample size correctly, I think the text can be clarified - e.g. "Assuming that CS improves the patency rate of BMS after 24 months from 63% to 95%, and accounting for a 20% dropout rate, x participants are required per arm to achieve 80% power with a two-sided alpha of 0.05"

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