

UPDATE ON CAROTID STENT TRIALS

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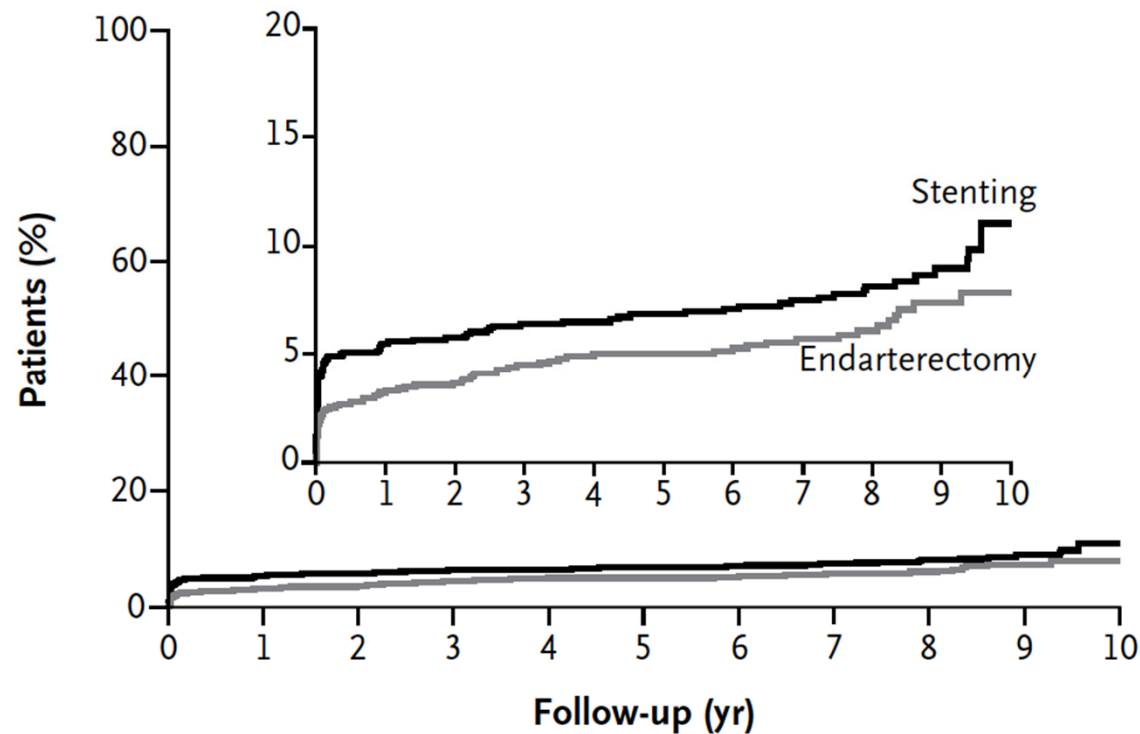
Why do we need any more trials?

Question

- At 10-year follow-up in CREST, the combined stroke and death rate was:
 - A. Significantly lower in the CEA compared to the CAS group
 - B. The same in the CAS and CEA group
 - C. Significantly higher in the CEA compared to the CAS group
- Ans: A

CREST

- Periprocedural stroke or death and subsequent ipsilateral stroke
 - 11.9% versus 7.9% (HR 1.37 p=0.04)



Question

- In CREST, at latest reported follow-up, compared with CEA, the MI rate with CAS was:

• Ans

LOWER

CREST: Initial follow-up

End Point			Periprocedural Period	Hazard Ratio for CAS vs. CEA (95% CI)	P Value
	CAS (N=1262)	CEA (N=1240)	Absolute Treatment Difference of CAS vs. CEA (95% CI)		
	no. of patients (% \pm SE)	no. of patients (% \pm SE)	percentage points		
Death	9 (0.7 \pm 0.2)	4 (0.3 \pm 0.2)	0.4 (-0.2 to 1.0)	2.25 (0.69 to 7.30) [†]	0.18 [†]
Stroke					
Any	52 (4.1 \pm 0.6)	29 (2.3 \pm 0.4)	1.8 (0.4 to 3.2)	1.79 (1.14 to 2.82)	0.01
Major ipsilateral	11 (0.9 \pm 0.3)	4 (0.3 \pm 0.2)	0.5 (-0.1 to 1.2)	2.67 (0.85 to 8.40)	0.09
Major nonipsilateral [‡]	0	4 (0.3 \pm 0.2)	NA	NA	NA
Minor ipsilateral	37 (2.9 \pm 0.5)	17 (1.4 \pm 0.3)	1.6 (0.4 to 2.7)	2.16 (1.22 to 3.83)	0.009
Minor nonipsilateral	4 (0.3 \pm 0.2)	4 (0.3 \pm 0.2)	0.0 (-0.4 to 0.4)	1.02 (0.25 to 4.07)	0.98 [†]
Myocardial infarction	14 (1.1 \pm 0.3)	28 (2.3 \pm 0.4)	-1.1 (-2.2 to -0.1)	0.50 (0.26 to 0.94)	0.03

Brott et al. N Engl J Med 2010;363:11-23.

CREST data is not unique...

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Carotid Artery Stenting Versus Endarterectomy for Stroke Prevention

A Meta-Analysis of Clinical Trials



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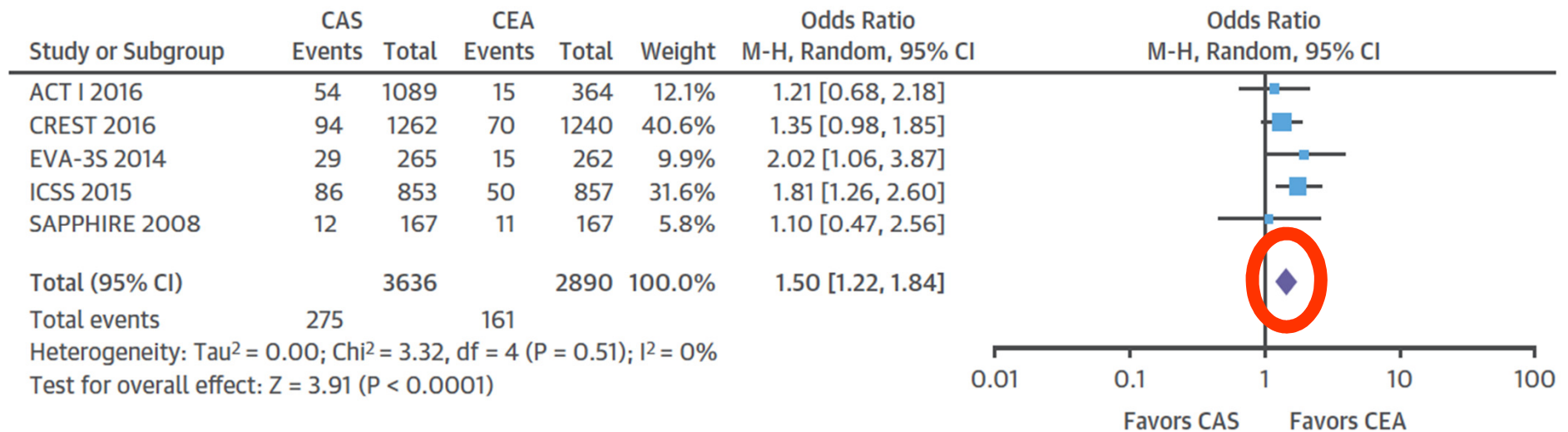
JACC 2017 meta-analysis

Trials	Total Patients (CAS/CEA)*	Follow-Up Duration (Median yrs)	Recruitment Period	Use of EPD (%)	Asymptomatic Patients (%)
ACT I 2016	1,089/364	5.0	2005-2013	Yes (97.8)	100.0
CREST 2010 and 2016†	1,262/1,240	7.4	2000-2008	Yes (96.1)	47.2
EVA-3S 2006 and 2014	265/262	7.1	2000-2005	Yes (91.9)	0.0
ICSS 2010 and 2015‡	853/857	4.2	2001-2008	Yes (70.7)	0.0
SAPPHIRE 2004 and 2008	167/167	3.0	2000-2002	Yes (95.6)	72.3

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Risk of stroke



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TABLE 3 Absolute Risk Metrics of Outcomes of Major Interest

Outcome of Interest	Number of Events/Patients (Absolute Event Rate, %)		NNT/NNH for CAS	p Value
	CAS Group	CEA Group		
Aggregate efficacy/safety outcome*	295/3,636 (8.1)	218/2,890 (7.5)	—	0.14
Periprocedural any stroke + nonperiprocedural ipsilateral stroke	275/3,636 (7.6)	161/2,890 (5.6)	50 (NNH)	<0.001
Periprocedural any stroke	169/3,636 (4.6)	73/2,890 (2.5)	47 (NNH)	<0.001
Periprocedural minor stroke	124/3,636 (3.4)	44/2,890 (1.5)	52 (NNH)	<0.001
Periprocedural death	26/3,636 (0.7)	16/2,890 (0.5)	—	0.48
Periprocedural MI	24/3,636 (0.6)	48/2,890 (1.6)	99 (NNT)	0.002
Periprocedural CN palsy	9/3,636 (0.2)	135/2,890 (4.7)	22 (NNT)	<0.001
Periprocedural neurological injury	178/3,636 (4.9)	208/2,890 (7.2)	43 (NNT)	0.02
Periprocedural neck hematoma	20/3,469 (0.6)	53/2,723 (1.9)	73 (NNT)	<0.001
Composite periprocedural safety outcome†	224/3,636 (6.2)	263/2,890 (9.1)	34 (NNT)	0.008
Long-term stroke in any territory (includes periprocedural stroke)	305/3,636 (8.4)	200/2,890 (6.9)	68 (NNH)	<0.001
Long-term death	429/3,636 (11.8)	357/2,890 (12.3)	—	0.18

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Carotid Artery Stenting Versus



CONCLUSIONS CAS and CEA were associated with similar rates of a composite of periprocedural death, stroke, MI, or nonperiprocedural ipsilateral stroke. The risk of long-term overall stroke was significantly higher with CAS and was mostly attributed to periprocedural minor stroke. CAS was associated with lower rates of periprocedural MI and cranial nerve palsy than CEA. (J Am Coll Cardiol 2017;69:2266–75) © 2017 by the American College of Cardiology Foundation.

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Randomized Trial of Stent versus Surgery for Asymptomatic Carotid Stenosis

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		no. (%)	
Death, stroke, or myocardial infarction		9/348 (2.6)	0.60
Death or stroke		6/348 (1.7)	0.33
Death or major stroke		2/348 (0.6)	1.00
Death		1/348 (0.3)	0.43
All stroke		5/348 (1.4)	0.23
Major stroke		1/348 (0.3)	1.00
Ipsilateral		1/348 (0.3)	1.00
Nonipsilateral		0/348	1.00
Minor stroke		4/348 (1.1)	0.20
Ipsilateral		4/348 (1.1)	0.36
Nonipsilateral		0/348	0.58
Myocardial infarction		3/348 (0.9)	0.41
Composite measure of complications		17/364 (4.7)	0.13
Cranial-nerve injury	1/1089 (0.1)	1/364 (0.3)	0.83
Peripheral-nerve injury	0/1089		
Vascular injury	8/1089 (0.7)		
Noncerebral bleeding	21/1089 (1.9)		
Endarterectomy incision or puncture-site bleeding	3/1089 (0.3)		
Other complications	0/1089		



Why do we need any more trials?

Because

we can and must do better!

If we want to perform acute stroke intervention which has a demonstrated dramatic effect on neurologic outcome we need to become proficient with a procedure (CAS) the benefit of which compared to alternative (CEA) has not been conclusively shown

What prevents the more widespread use of carotid stenting?

Transcervical carotid access/radial access

Aortic arch manipulation

Plaque protrusion/periprocedural and postprocedural stroke

Stenting

Double mesh stents/new open cell stents

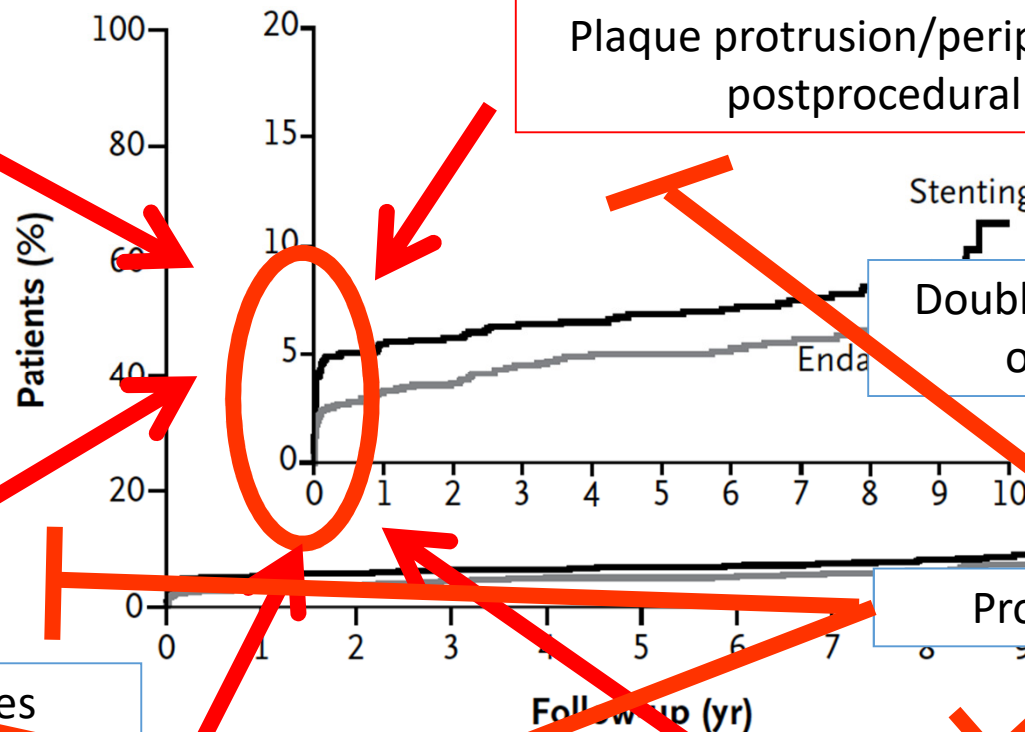
Lesion crossing

Smaller filter pores

Postdilatation

Filter pore size

Proximal protection

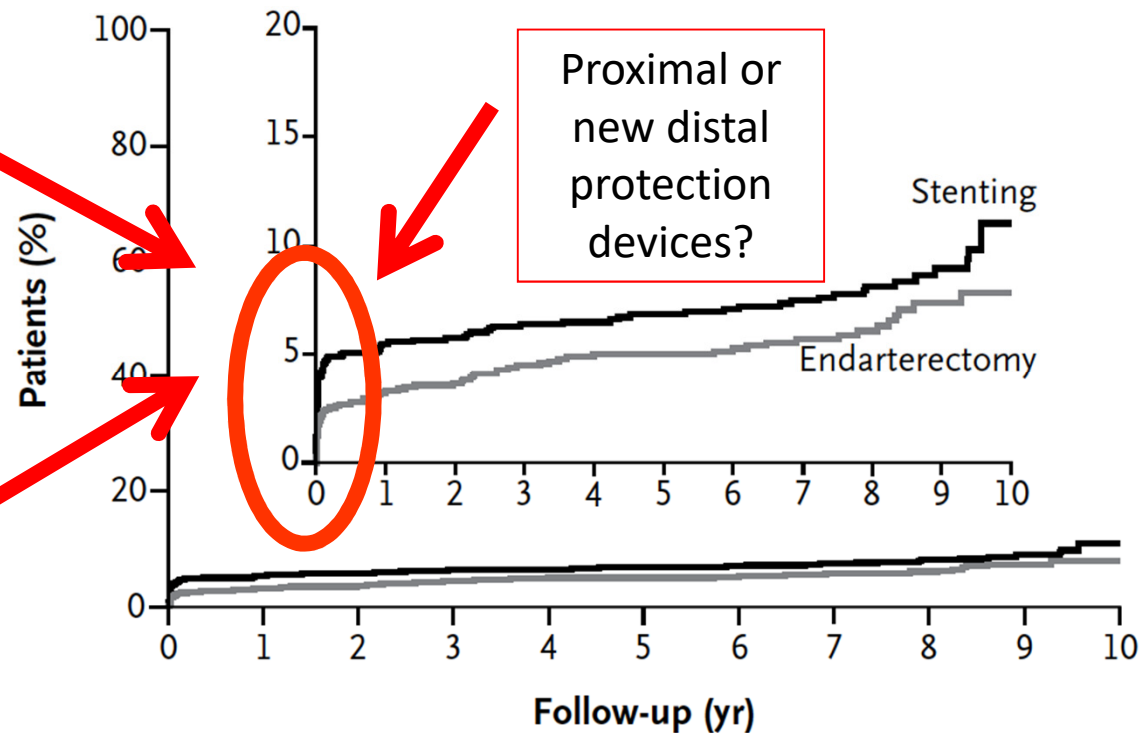


What prevents the more widespread use of carotid stenting?

New stent design?

Proximal or new distal protection devices?

Antiplatelet therapy and high dose statins/PCSK 9?



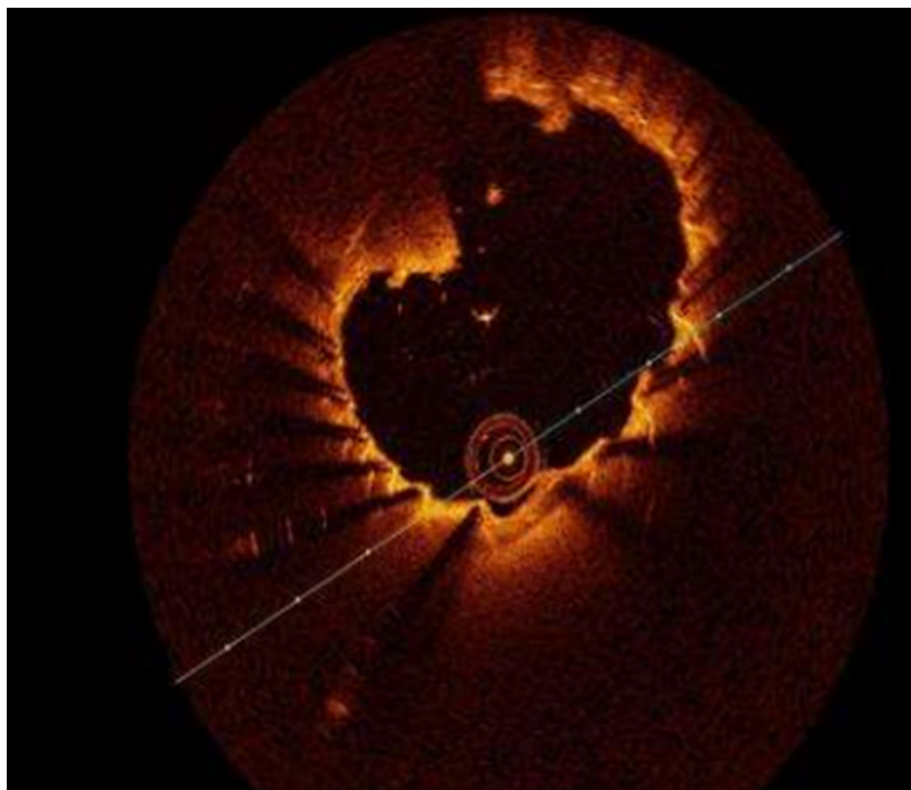
What causes periprocedural strokes?

- Plaque embolization during arch manipulation
 - Direct carotid access
 - Radial access (right)
 - Operator experience
- Plaque embolization during lesion crossing
 - Proximal protection
- Plaque embolization during balloon inflation and stent deployment
 - Stent design
 - Proximal and distal protection
- Plaque protrusion and embolization and thrombus formation after completion of the procedure
 - Stent design Open cell area $>7.5\text{mm}^2$, timing
 - Antiplatelet therapy

Open cell design

- SPACE-1
- ICSS

Plaque protrusion



Trials with new stent technology

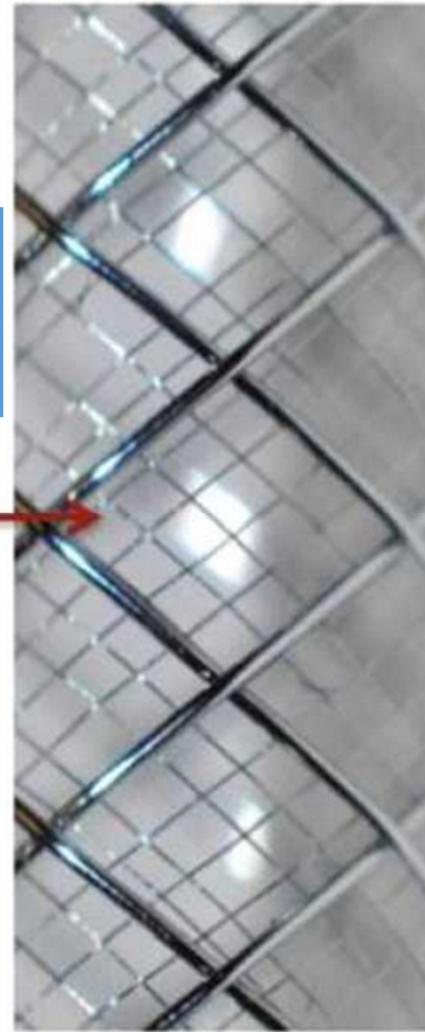
- CAS with double layer stents
 - Roadsaver (Terumo)
 - CGUARD (InspireMD)
 - Gore Carotid stent (Gore)
- Open cell design with small cell area (MER-stent)
- CAS with hybrid stents
 - Cristallo Ideale (Medtronic)

Roadsaver



Frame: Braided closed cell

Braided nitinol mesh: 375-500 micron
pore size, inside the frame



Roadsaver

The CLEAR-ROAD study: evaluation of a new dual layer micromesh stent system for the carotid artery



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EuroIntervention 2016;11

Trials with new technology

- Roadsaver
 - Prospective study
 - 100 pts, 31% symptomatic
 - EPD 58%
 - 30-day MAE 2.1% (1 MI->death, 1 [minor] stroke)

	N=100
Male (%)	70 (70.0%)
Age (min – max; ±SD)	73.44 (47.78 – 89.12 ±9.55)
Neurological Status:	
- Symptomatic (%)	31 (31.0%)
- Asymptomatic (%)	69 (69.0%)
Nicotine abuse* (%) *former & current	67 (67.0%)
Hypertension (%)	80 (80.0%)
Diabetes mellitus (%)	31 (31.0%)
Hypercholesterolemia (%)	74 (74.0%)
Obesity (%)	28 (28.0%)
Cerebrovascular disease (%)	24 (24.0%)

CLEAR ROAD

Day 66 : 1 patient suffered from a stroke after planned contralateral carotid procedure

Day 101 : 1 patient suffered from a myocardial infarction which led to death

Day 119 : 1 patient suffered from cerebral infarction : paresthesia ipsilateral right arm & leg

Day 191 patient suffered from cerebral bleeding after revascularizing the study lesion, which led to death

Cumulative freedom from MAE's (%)

Nu

Roadsaver

- Multicenter trial (3 centers in Italy)
- N=150
- Proximal protection 41%, distal protection 59%
- Technical success 100%
- 30-day stroke rate: 0%
- Plaque prolapse detected in 7.7% of patients
- Stent patency at 30 days by ultrasound 100%

Carotid artery stenting with a new-generation double-mesh stent in three high-volume Italian centres: clinical results of a multidisciplinary approach



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Eurointervention 2016;12:e677-683

Roadsaver

Mesh-covered (Roadsaver) stent as a new treatment modality for symptomatic or high-risk carotid stenosis

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- Single center study
- N=40
- Symptomatic stenosis in all
- Proximal protection in 27, distal in 14
- Technical success 100%
- One minor stroke (after carotid artery engagement)
- One TIA

Machnik et al. Adv Interv Cardiol 2017; 13, 2 (48): 130–134

Trials with new technology



Incidence of New Ischaemic Brain Lesions After Carotid Artery Stenting with the Micromesh Roadsaver Carotid Artery Stent: A Prospective Single-Centre Study

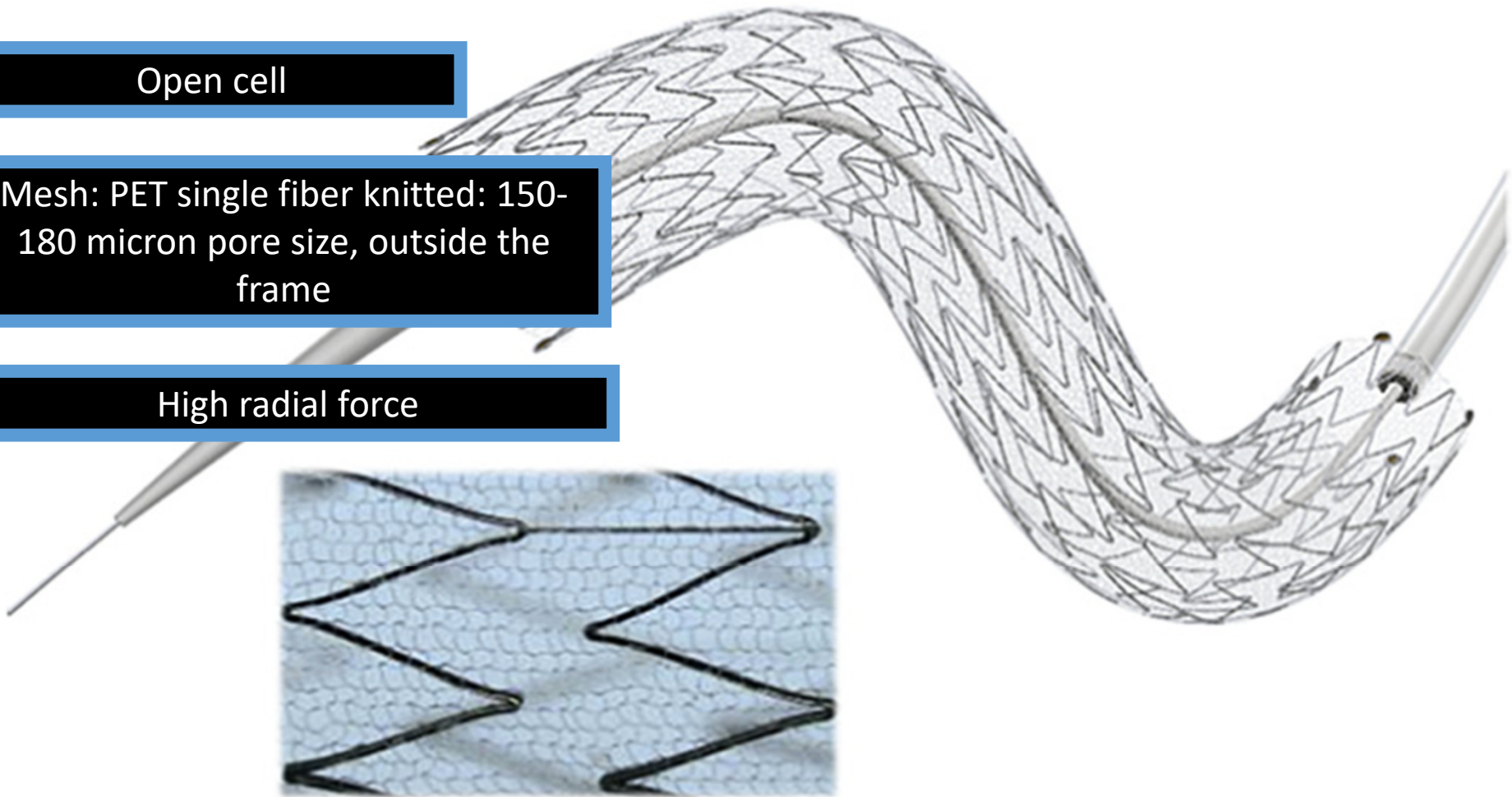
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C-Guard

Open cell

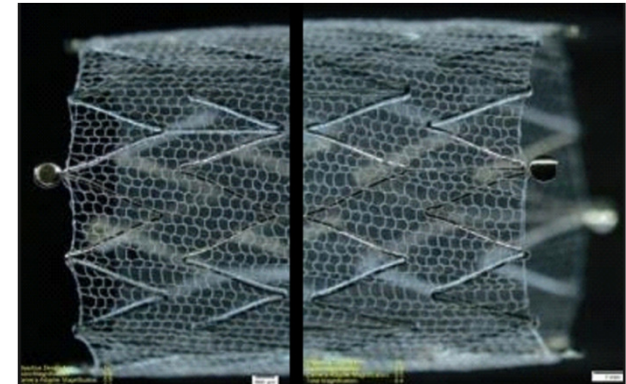
Mesh: PET single fiber knitted: 150-180 micron pore size, outside the frame

High radial force



Trials with new technology

- CGUARD (InspireMD, Boston, MA, USA)
 - Inner open cell nitinol
 - Outer closed cell PET
 - Initial experience (N=30)
 - Symptomatic patients
 - No stroke up to 6 months
 - CARENET trial
 - Multicenter non-randomized study
 - N=30
 - No stroke at 30 days
 - 48 hour new ipsilateral ischemic lesions in 37% MRI
 - At 30 days all but one resolved (one new)



PERIPHERAL

A Prospective, Multicenter Study of a Novel Mesh-Covered Carotid Stent

The CGuard CARENET Trial

(Carotid Embolic Protection Using MicroNet)



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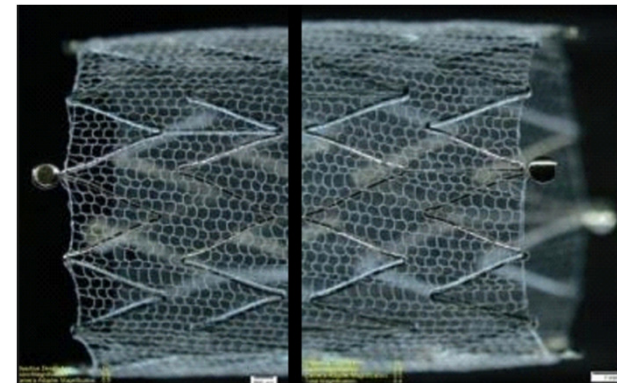
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Trials with new technology

Novel PARADIGM in carotid revascularisation: Prospective evaluation of All-comer peRcutaneous cArotiD revascularisation in symptomatic and Increased-risk asymptomatic carotid artery stenosis using CGuard™ MicroNet-covered embolic prevention stent system



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C-Guard IRON-Guard Study

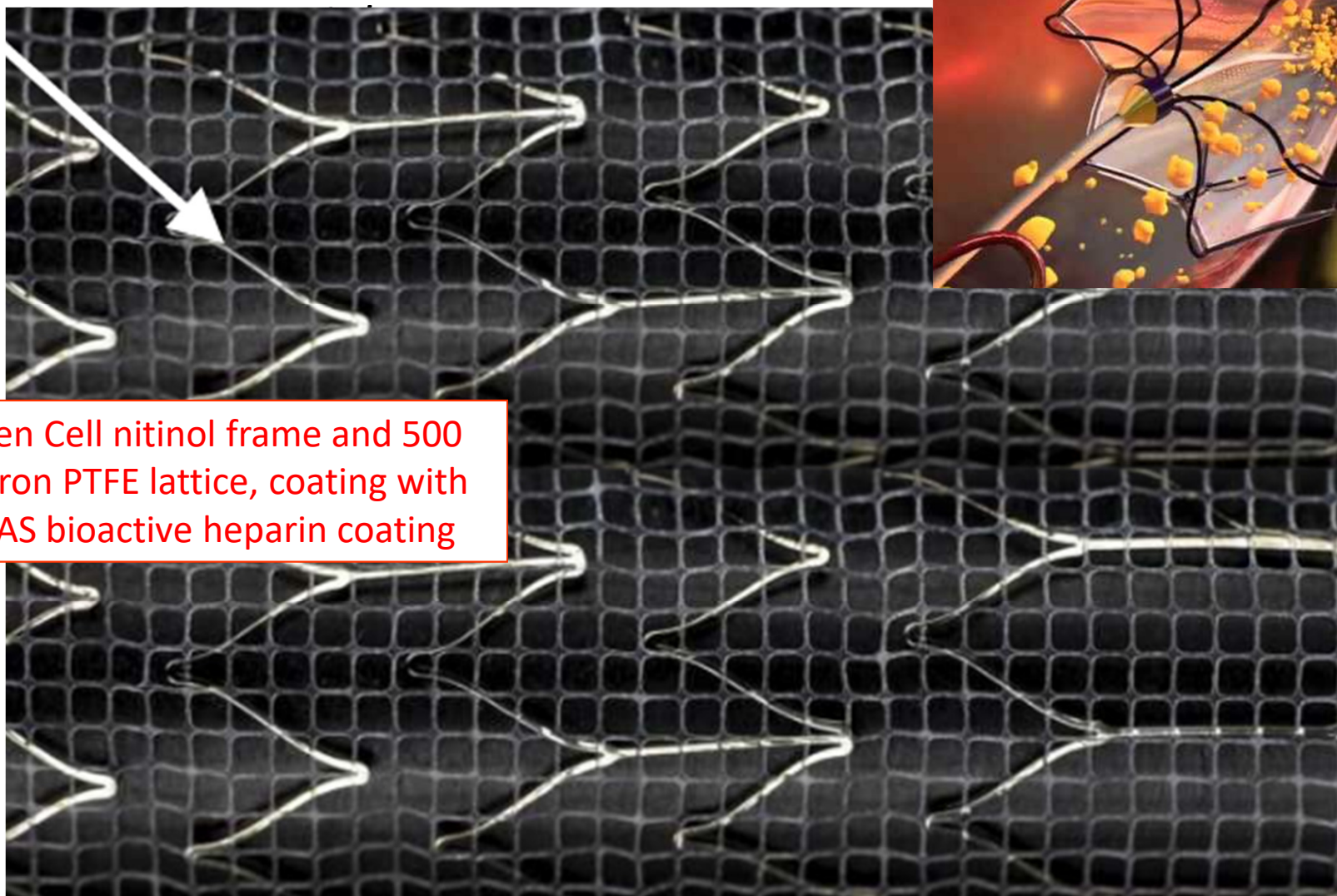
Thirty-day results from prospective multi-specialty evaluation of carotid artery stenting using the CGuard MicroNet-covered Embolic Prevention System in real-world multicentre clinical practice: the IRON-Guard study



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C-Guard IRON-Guard Study

- Prospective multicenter study
- 200 consecutive patients
- Distal embolic protection 91%
- Technical success 100%
- No periprocedural death, MI or major stroke
- 2 TIAs and 5 periprocedural minor strokes (2.5%)
- No external carotid occlusion
- New postprocedural DW-MRI defects in 19.6%



Open Cell nitinol frame and 500 micron PTFE lattice, coating with CBAS bioactive heparin coating

SCAFFOLD


	N=312
Male, n (%)	202 (64.7%)
White, n (%)	299 (95.8%)
Age, mean (SD)	73.2 (8.8)
Symptomatic, n (%)	40 (12.8%)
Diabetes, n (%)	125 (40.1%)
HTN, n (%)	291 (93.3%)
H/O CAD, n (%)	196 (62.8%)

SCAFFOLD

Number of subjects	312
Gore carotid stent successfully implanted	100% (312/312)
Gore embolic filter successfully deployed	94.6% (295/312)
Additional EPD used	4.5% (14/312)

Meta-analysis double layered stent

Double layered stents for carotid angioplasty: A meta-analysis of available clinical data

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Meta-analysis double layered stent

Authors (Ref. #)	Year	Stent type	n	Primary outcome			Secondary outcome Procedural unsuccess (%)
				30-Day stroke and mortality (%)	30-Day stroke (%)	30-Day mortality (%)	
Bosiers et al. [11]	2016	Roadsaver	100	2.1	1.0	1.0	0
Castagno et al. [12]	2016	Roadsaver	4	0	0	0	0
Kedev et al [13]	2015	Roadsaver	10	0	0	0	0
Mazzaccaro et al. [14]	2016	C-Guard	5	0	0	0	0
Musialek et al. [9]	2016	C-Guard	101	0	0	0	0.9
Nerla et al. [10]	2016	Roadsaver	150	0	0	0	0
Ruffino et al. [16]	2017	Roadsaver	23	2.0	1.0	1.0	3.0
Schofer et al. [8]	2015	C-Guard	30	0	0	0	0
Speziale et al. [17]	2017	C-Guard	200	2.5	2.5	0	0
Wissgott et al. [15]	2015	Roadsaver	12	0	0	0	0

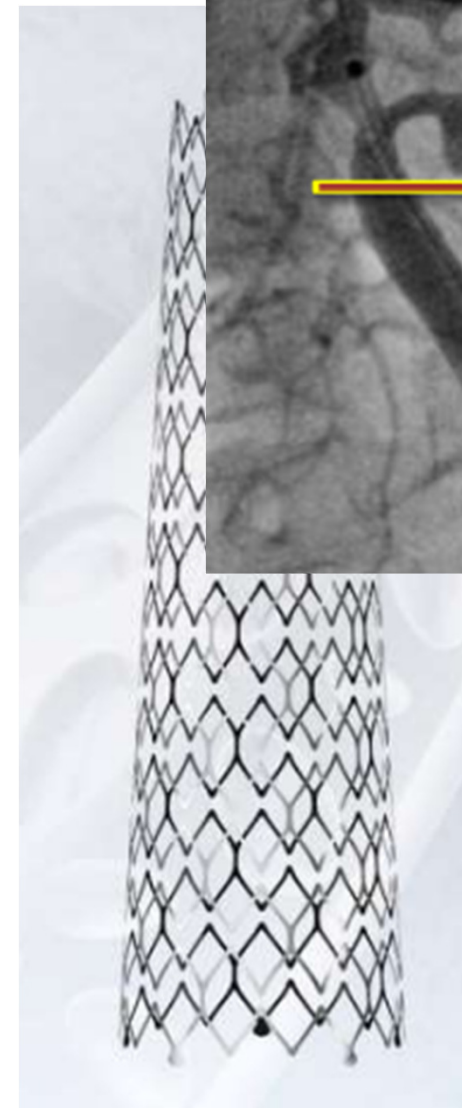
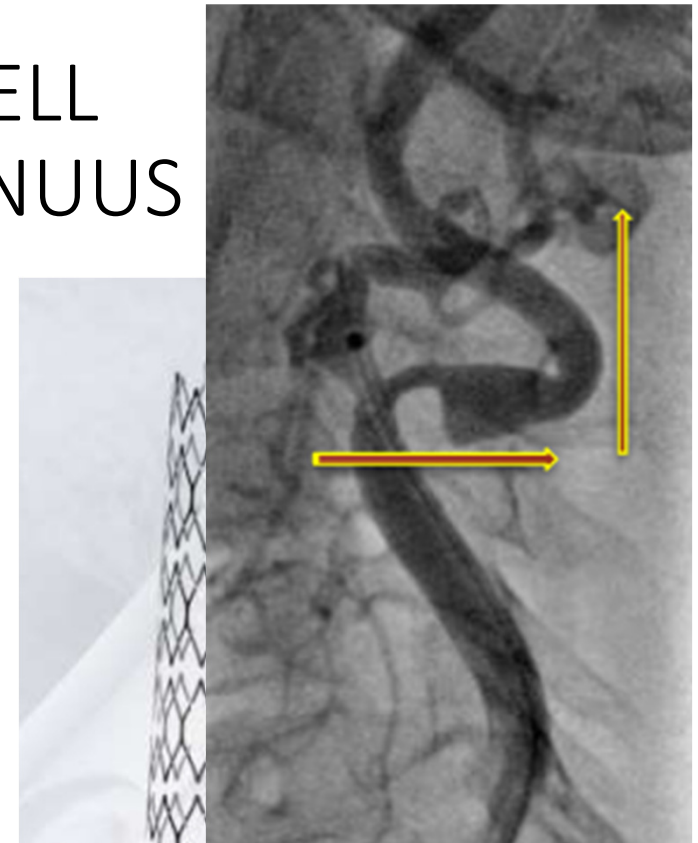
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SMALL CELL OPEN CELL (MER-) STENT OCEANUUS

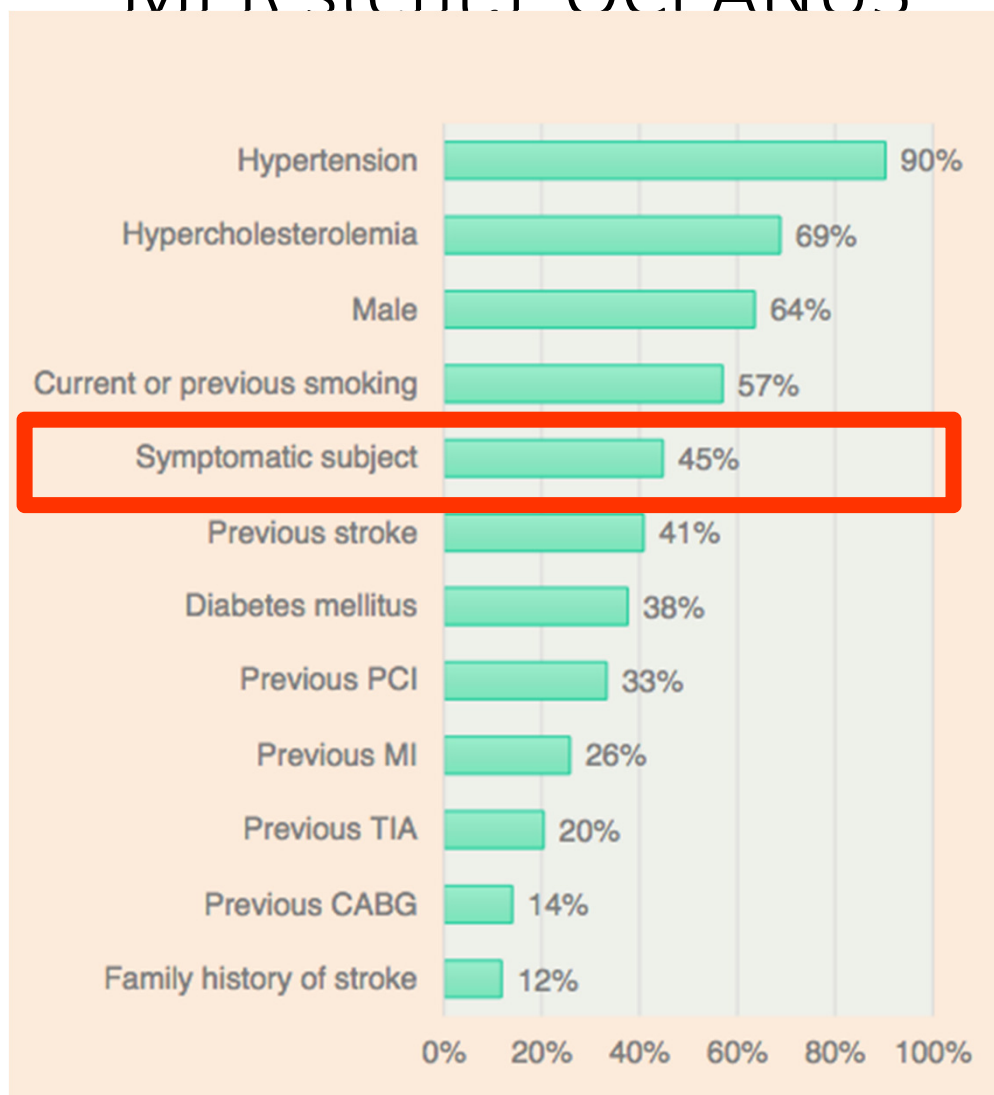


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mm²)

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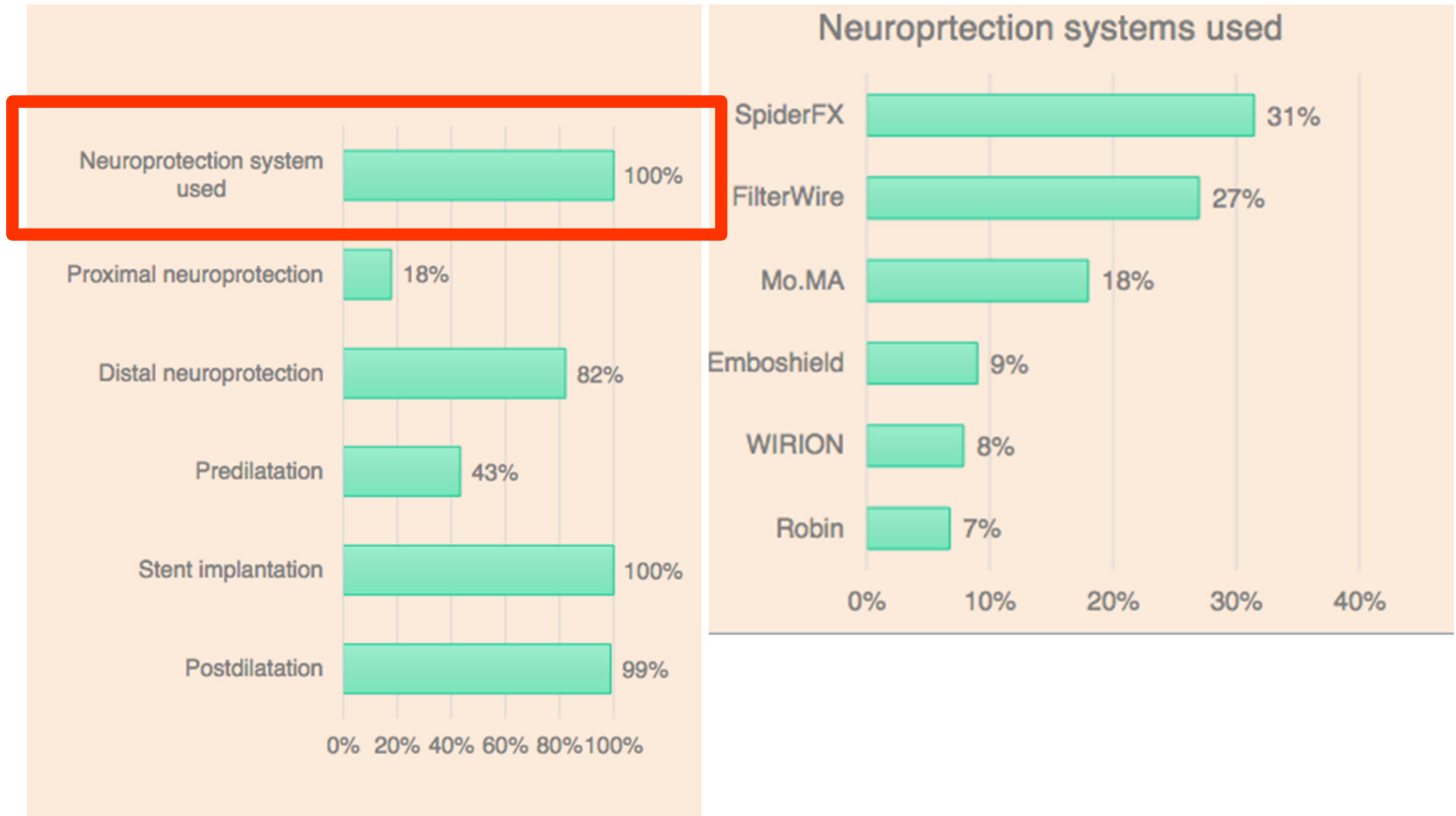


MFR stent: I OCEANUS



Variable	Measure	Total
Age at enrollment, years	n	100
	Mean (\pm SD)	68.55 (\pm 8.24)
	Mean 95% CI	(66.87; 70.23)
	Me (Q1; Q3)	68.00 (62.00; 75.00)
	Min/Max	51.00 / 85.00
Systolic blood pressure, mmHg	n	100
	Mean (\pm SD)	152.39 (\pm 23.68)
	Mean 95% CI	(147.51; 157.26)
	Me (Q1; Q3)	152.00 (135.00; 170.00)
	Min/Max	83.00 / 213.00
Diastolic blood pressure, mmHg	n	100
	Mean (\pm SD)	78.41 (\pm 11.48)
	Mean 95% CI	(76.04; 80.77)
	Me (Q1; Q3)	80.00 (70.00; 85.00)
	Min/Max	53.00 / 120.00
Diameter stenosis NASCET, %	n	100
	Mean (\pm SD)	76.42 (\pm 9.79)
	Mean 95% CI	(74.40; 78.43)
	Me (Q1; Q3)	76.00 (72.00; 83.00)
	Min/Max	49.00 / 95.00

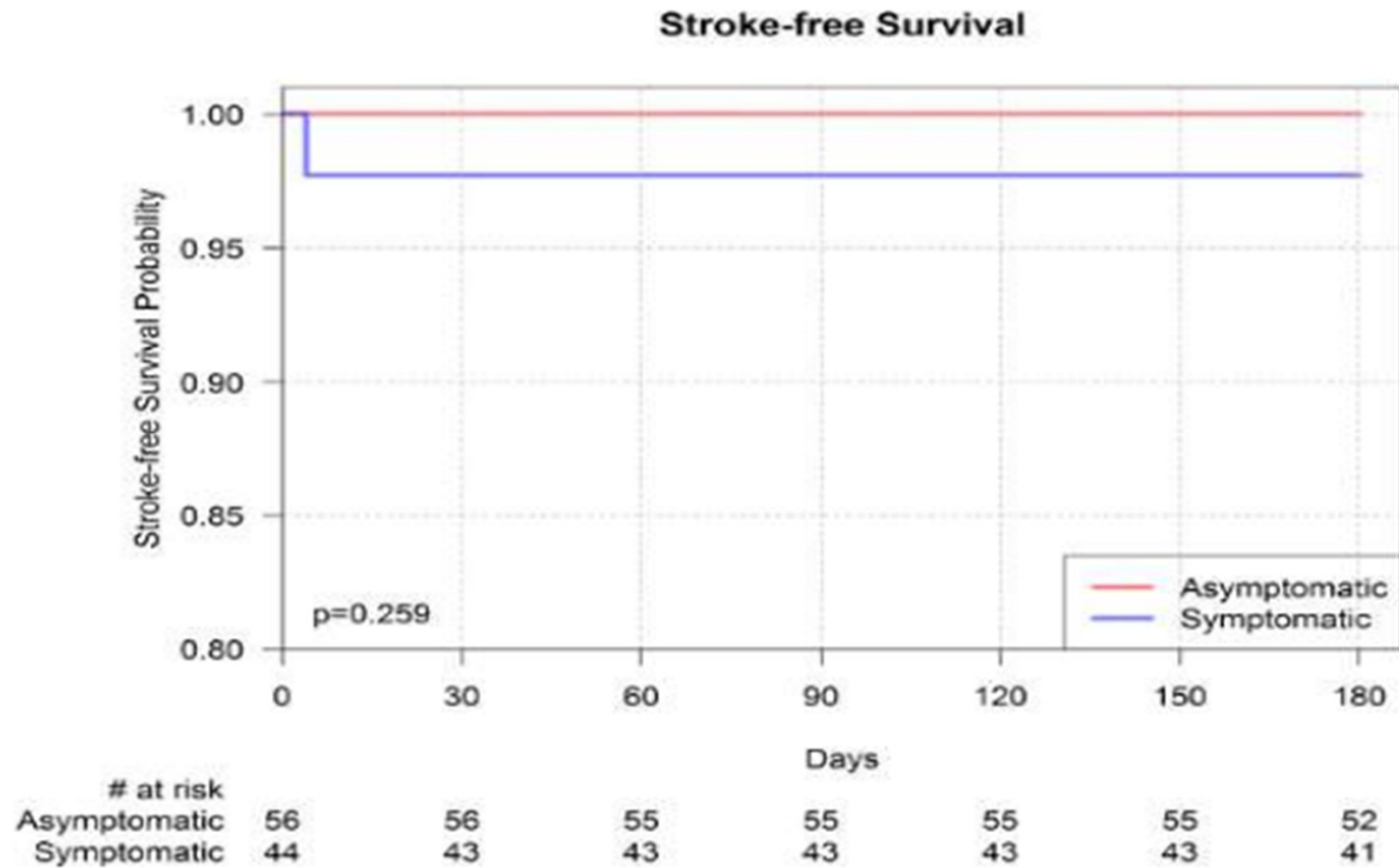
MER stent: OCEANUS



MER-stent: OCEANUS

- N=100
- 30-day
 - 1 stroke at day 4
 - Death: 0
 - MI: 0
 - Edge dissection requiring additional stent: 1 patient

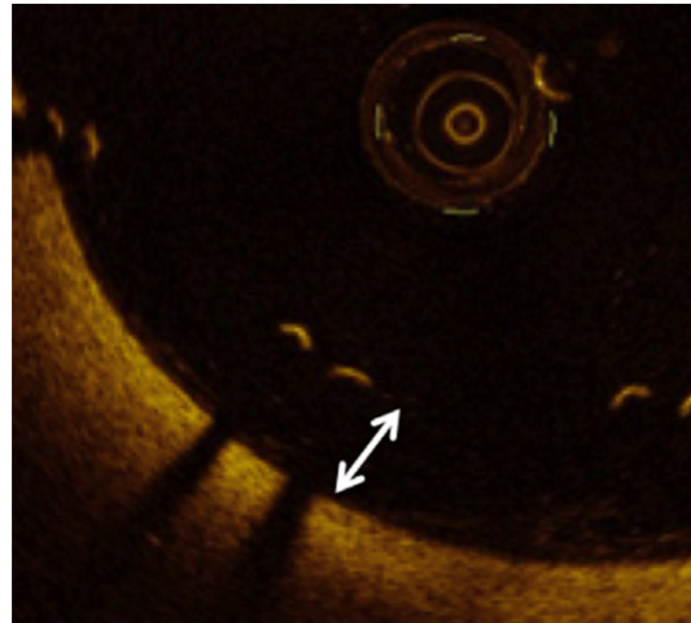
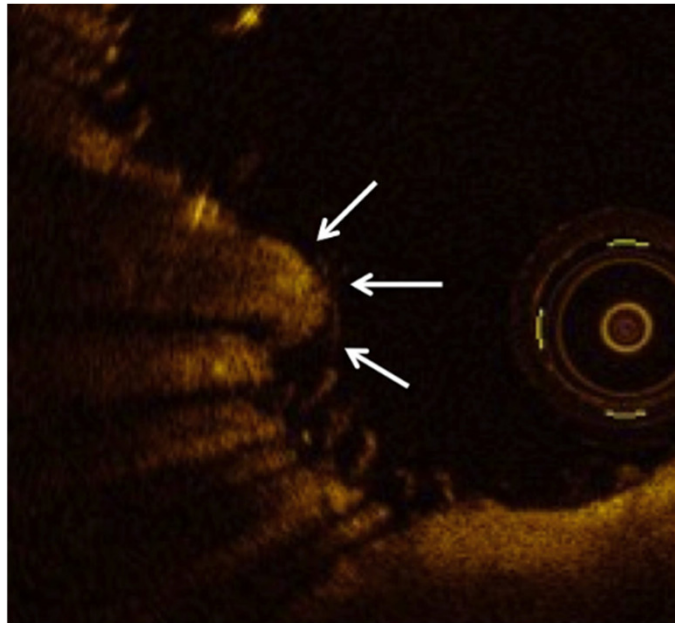
MER-stent 6 months: OCEANUS



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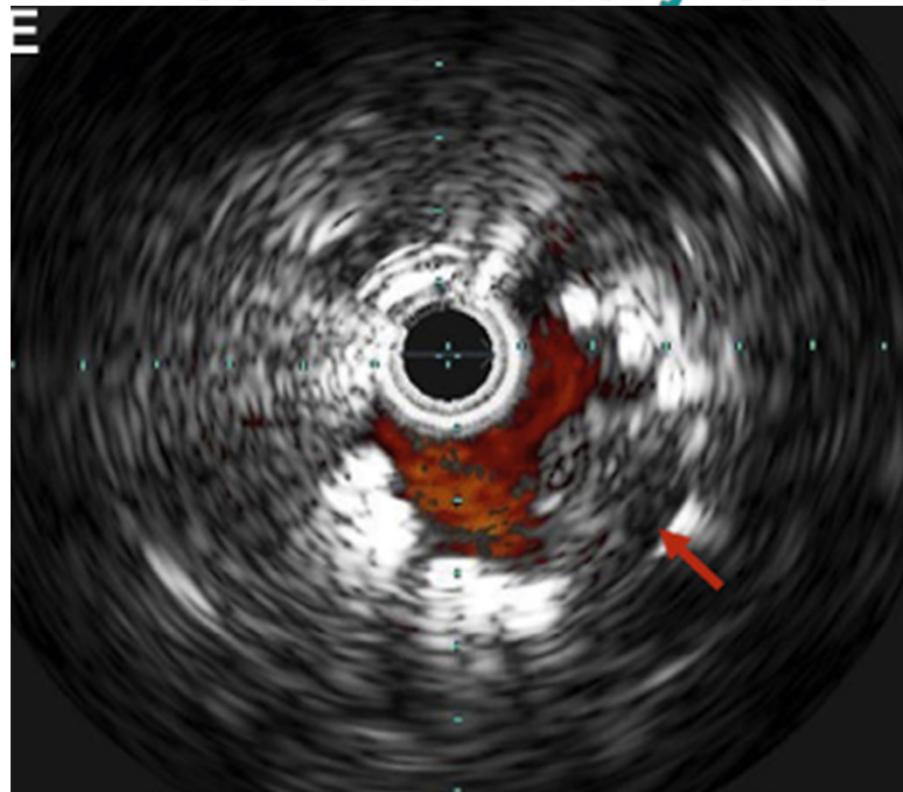
Plaque protrusion/prolapse and stent malapposition

- De Donato et al.



Plaque protrusion: does it matter?

Carotid Artery Stenting



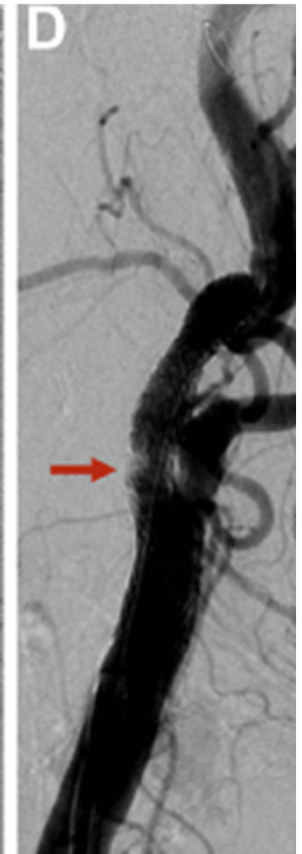
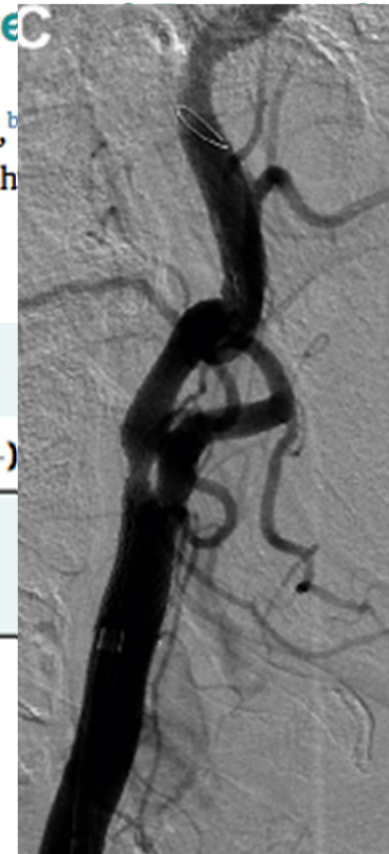
Pr = plaque protrusion.

Plaque Protrusion Incidence

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Plaque Protrusion in the 2 Groups

(n = 9)	PP (-)



Plaque protrusion: does it matter?

TABLE 5 PP Incidence by Stent Design

	PP (+) Group (n = 9)	PP (–) Group (n = 345)
Open-cell stent	9	229
Closed-cell stent	0	116

Values are n. $p < 0.034$.

PP = plaque protrusion.

TABLE 6 PP Incidence by Plaque Morphology

	PP (+) Group (n = 9)	PP (–) Group (n = 326)
Stable plaque	1	193
Unstable plaque	8	133

Values are n. $p < 0.004$.

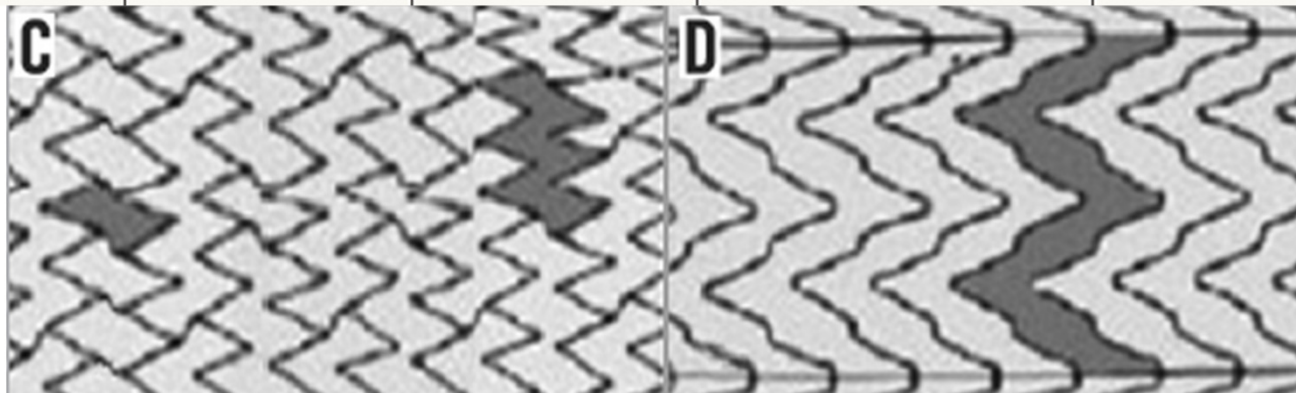
PP = plaque protrusion.

Open versus closed cell design

Impact on outcome of different types of carotid stent: results from the European Registry of Carotid Artery Stenting



	Closed (n=713)	Hybrid (n=456)	Open with free cell area <7.5 mm ² (n=238)	Open with free cell area >7.5 mm ² (n=197)	p-value
Death, n (%)	1 (0.14)	3 (0.66)	0	0	0.213
Stroke, n (%)	8 (1.12)	2 (0.44)	3 (1.26)	6 (3.05)	0.045
Death and stroke, n (%)	8 (1.12)	5 (1.10)	3 (1.26)	6 (3.05)	0.196



Proximal versus distal embolic protection meta-analysis



Cerebral Embolic Lesions Detected With Diffusion-Weighted Magnetic Resonance Imaging Following Carotid Artery Stenting

A Meta-Analysis of 8 Studies Comparing Filter Cerebral Protection and Proximal Balloon Occlusion

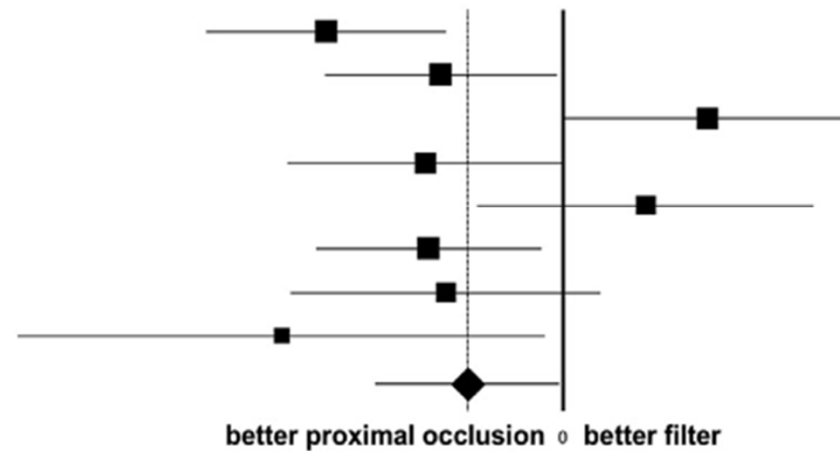
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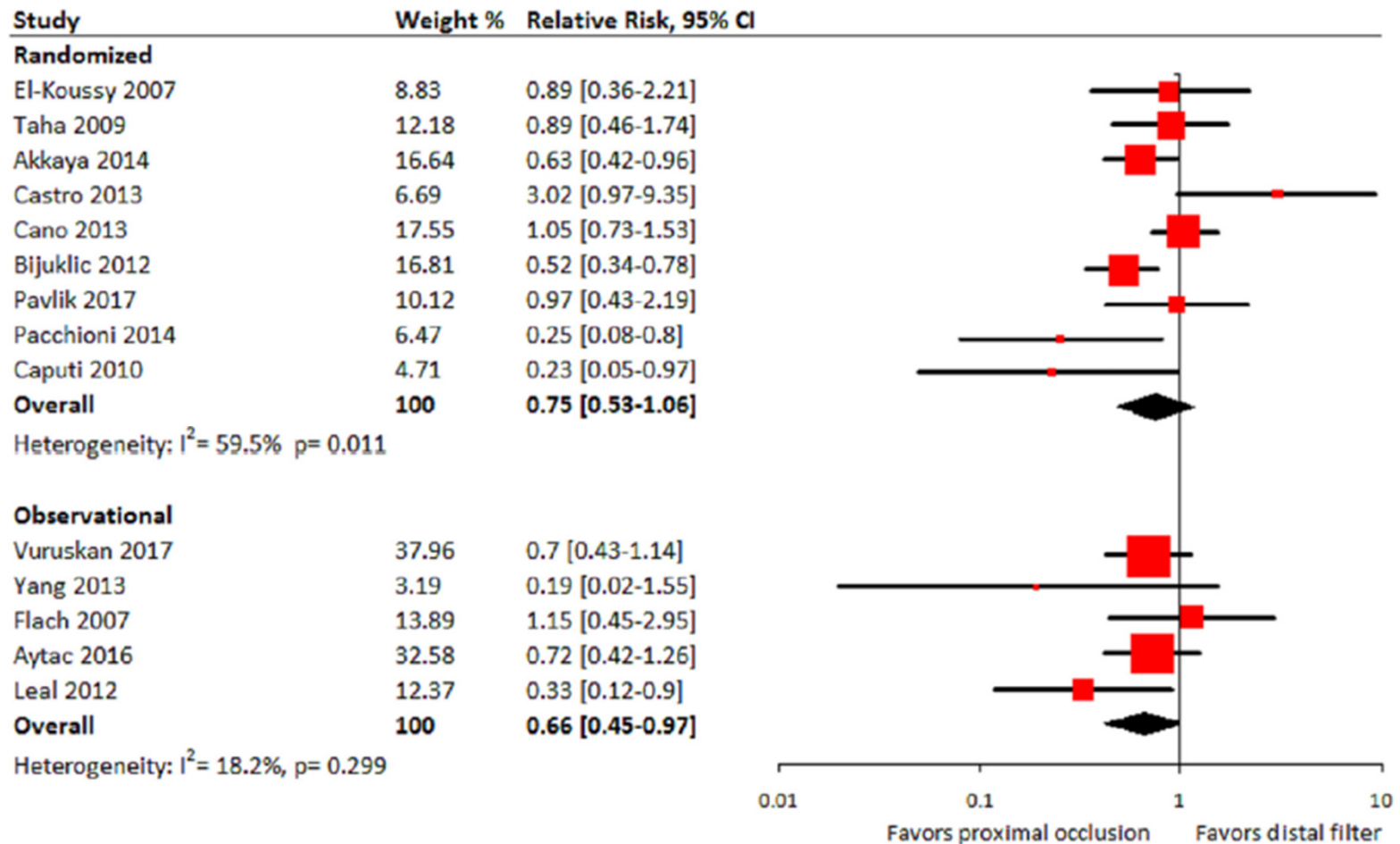
Incidence of new (DW-MRI) ischemic brain lesions after CAS

Study ID	ES	95% CI	N
Bijuklic K. et al. 2012	-1.05	-1.58 , -0.52	62
Cano N.M. et al. 2013	-0.54	-1.06 , -0.03	60
Castro-Afonso LH. et al. 2013	0.64	0.00 , 1.28	40
El-Koussy M. et al. 2007	-0.61	-1.22 , -0.00	44
Flach Z.H. et al. 2007	0.37	-0.38 , 1.11	33
Leal I. et al. 2012	-0.60	-1.10 , -0.10	64
Montorsi P. et al. 2011	-0.52	-1.21 , 0.17	35
Taha M.M. et al. 2009	-1.25	-2.42 , -0.08	19
Overall (random-effects model)	-0.43	-0.84 , -0.02	357



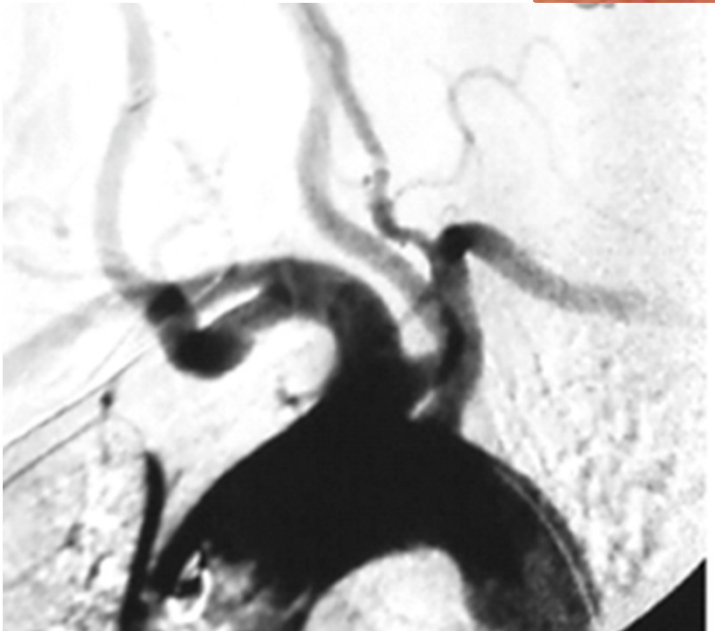
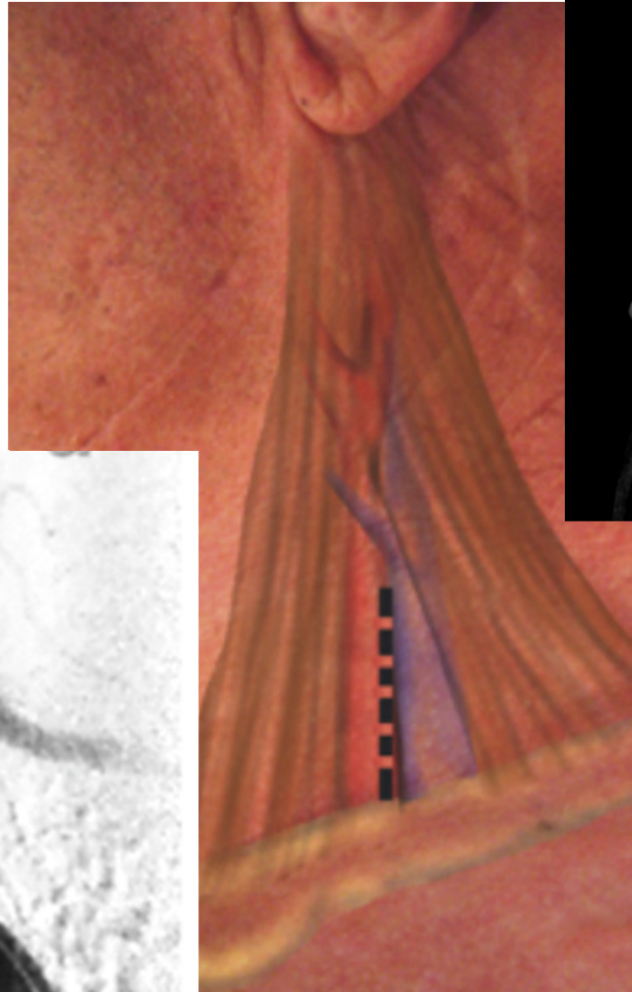
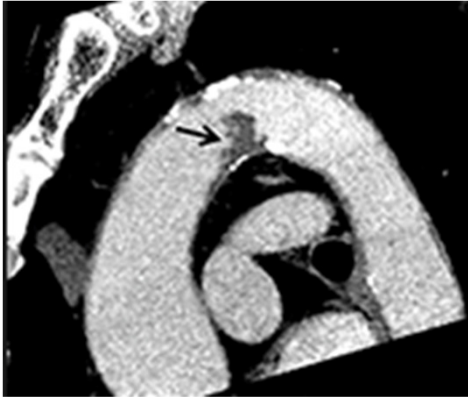
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New DW-MRI brain lesions after CAS

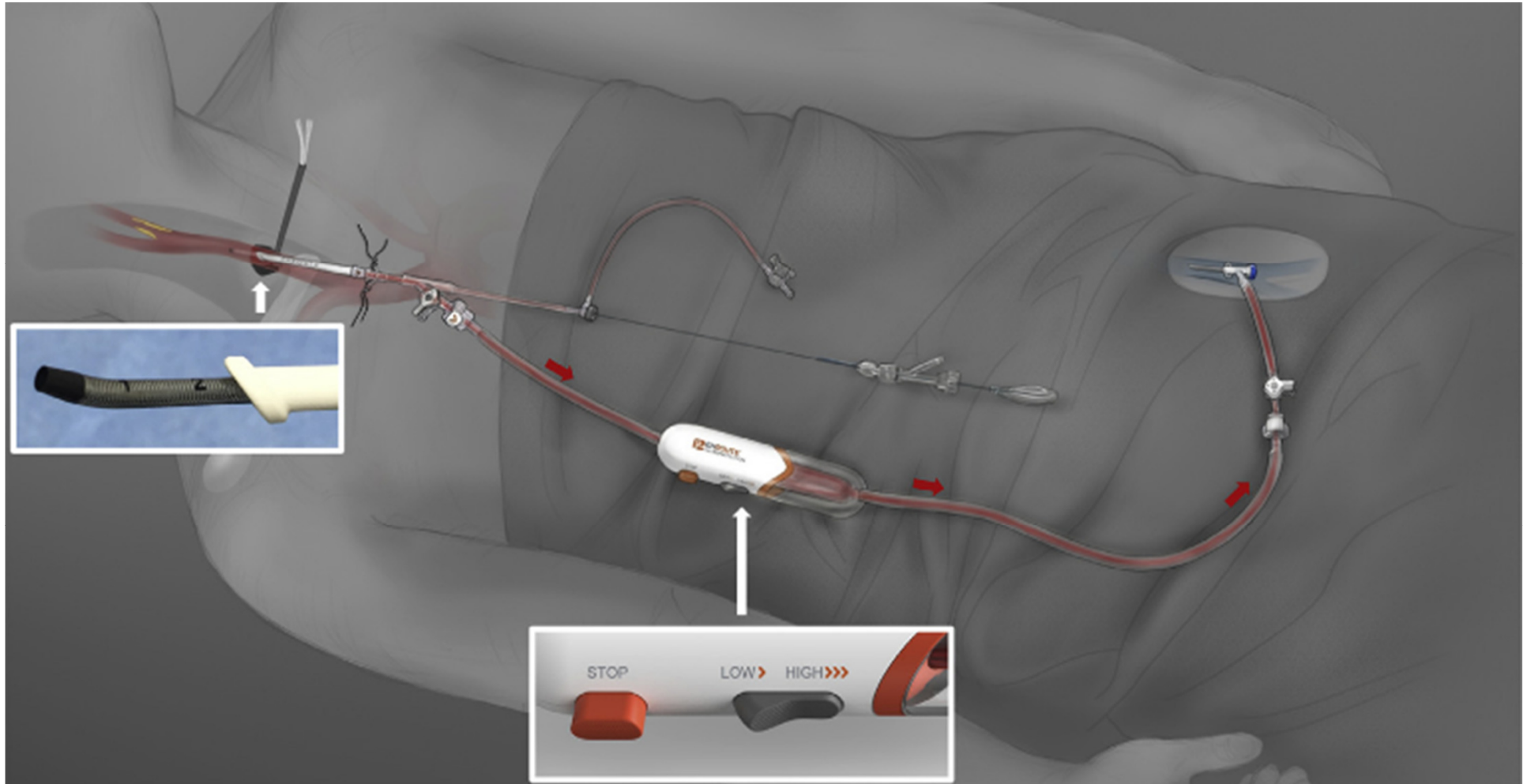


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Direct carotid access: Why?



Direct carotid access: How?



Malas wet al. J Vasc Surg 2017;65:916-20

Direct carotid access



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ROADSTER

<i>Variables</i>	<i>Mean \pm SD (min, max) or No. (%) (N = 141)</i>
Age, years	72.9 \pm 9 (40, 90)
≥ 75	66 (47)
≥ 80	39 (27.7)
Sex	
Male	91 (65)
Female	50 (35)
Medical history	
Diabetes	52 (36.9)
Hyperlipidemia	109 (77.3)
Hypertension	122 (86.5)
Coronary artery disease	59 (41.8)
Peripheral vascular disease	41 (29.1)
Current smoker	32 (22.7)
Symptom status	
Symptomatic	36 (25.5)
Asymptomatic	105 (74.5)

SD, Standard deviation.

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ROADSTER

<i>Inclusion criteria</i>	<i>No. (%)</i> <i>(N = 141)</i>
Anatomic	
Contralateral carotid occlusion	11 (7.8)
Tandem stenosis >70%	1 (0.7)
High cervical carotid artery stenosis	42 (29.8)
Restenosis after CEA	29 (20.6)
Hostile neck	22 (15.6)
Bilateral carotid artery stenosis requiring treatment	6 (4.3)
Physiologic	
Age >75 years	66 (46.8)
>2 vessel CAD and history of angina	15 (10.6)
History of angina	2 (1.4)
CCF NYHA functional class III/IV	1 (0.7)
LVEF <30%	2 (1.4)
MI >72 hours and <6 weeks before the procedure	1 (0.7)
Severe COPD	6 (4.3)
Permanent contralateral CNI	0
Chronic renal insufficiency	1 (0.7)

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ROADSTER

<i>Variables</i>	<i>No. (%) or mean \pm SD (min, max) (N = 141)</i>
Anesthetic modality	
Local anesthesia	74 (53)
General anesthesia	67 (47)
Flow reversal time, minutes	
Time on high-flow	12.9 \pm 8.6
Tolerance	
To flow reversal	141 (100)
To high-flow	140 (99)
Procedure time: CCA cutdown to skin closure, minutes	73.6 \pm 30.77 (68.2, 78.2)
Acute device success	140 (99)
Technical success	140 (99)
Procedural success	135 (96)

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ROADSTER

One death at day 15 from MI after pneumonia and diabetic ketoacidosis, one death from respiratory complications in an elderly woman with prior respiratory co-morbidities

One-Year Results of the ROADSTER Multicenter Trial of Transcarotid Stenting With Dynamic Flow Reversal		Population (n=141)
Patients	Mahmoud Malas, Christopher J. Kwolek, ^b	141
Exact	Jose Ignacio Le, ^d Manish Mehta, ^e	141
P value	Vikram S. Kashya, ^f Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md; ^g Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Mass;	141
Event	^c Complejo Hospitalario de Toledo, Toledo, Spain; ^d Greenville Hospital System, Greenville, SC; ^e Albany Vascular Group, The Institute for Vascular Health and Disease, Albany, NY; ^f University Hospitals Case Medical Center, Cleveland, Ohio	141
Patients who had an MI, No. (%)	1 (0.7)	141

One minor stroke during procedure, one evening of the procedure, second within 48 hours

J Vasc Surg 2015;62:1227-35.)

Malas et al. Journal of Vascular Surgery 2018; January, Volume 67, issue 1

ROADSTER-2

- Open label
- Single arm
- Postapproval
- Planned enrollment: 600 (up to 100 sites)
- Primary endpoint: procedural success

ROADSTER-2

- Interim analysis presented at LINC 2017

Parameter	n=270
Age ≥80	21.9%
Female	31.9%
Symptomatic	28.3%
Physiologic Risk Factors only	32.5% ←
Anatomic Risk Factors only	44.3% ←
- Hostile Neck	17.0%
- Restenosis post CEA	20.3%
- Contralateral Occlusion	12.9%
Physiologic & Anatomic Risk Factors	23.2% ←

Schneider at LINC 2017

ROADSTER-2

Parameter	ROADSTER 1 N=219	ROADSTER 2 n=270
ROADSTER 1 Investigators	N/A	26%
New Operators	N/A	74%
Enrollment by New Operators	N/A	58%
Skin-to-Skin Time (median)	70 mins	70 mins
Reverse Flow/Clamp Time (median)	9 mins	10 mins
Tolerance to High Flow	98.6%	99.3%
Tolerance to Low Flow	100%	100%
Acute Technical Success	99.5%	98.9 %
Fluoro Time (median)	N/R	5 mins
Contrast Usage (median)	62 cc	40 cc

ROADSTER-2

Acute	n=252	
Acute Device Success	249	98.8%
Technical Success	249	98.8%
30 Days	n=227	
Procedural Success	222	97.8%

Primary endpoint analysis

ROADSTER-2

	ROADSTER 1		ROADSTER 2		ROADSTER 2	
	n=203		n=227		n=252	
	<i>Patients with 30-day F/U</i>		<i>Patients with 30-day F/U</i>		<i>All Patients</i>	
Stroke/Death/MI	6	3.0%	2	0.9%	2	0.8%
Stroke	1	0.5%	2	0.9%	2	0.8%
Death	2	1.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
MI	3	1.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Stroke/Death	3	1.5%	2	0.9%	2	0.8%
CNI (permanent)	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

PROOF

- N=75
- 16% symptomatic
- 40% with contralateral stenosis
- 5 patients with transient intolerance to flow reversal
- Mean flow reversal time 19.1 min
- 17.9% of patients had DW-MRI defects
- No death/major stroke at 30 days
- One minor stroke

PROOF

Table 2. Outcomes of the 75 Procedures.^a

Acute device success	68 (90.6)
Procedural success	68 (90.6)
Establishment of reverse flow circuit	71 (94.6)
Tolerance to reverse flow (n=71)	71 (100)
Average time of reverse flow, min	19.1±8.2
Average time on high flow, min	12.2±5.6
Residual stenosis, %	12.4±14.4

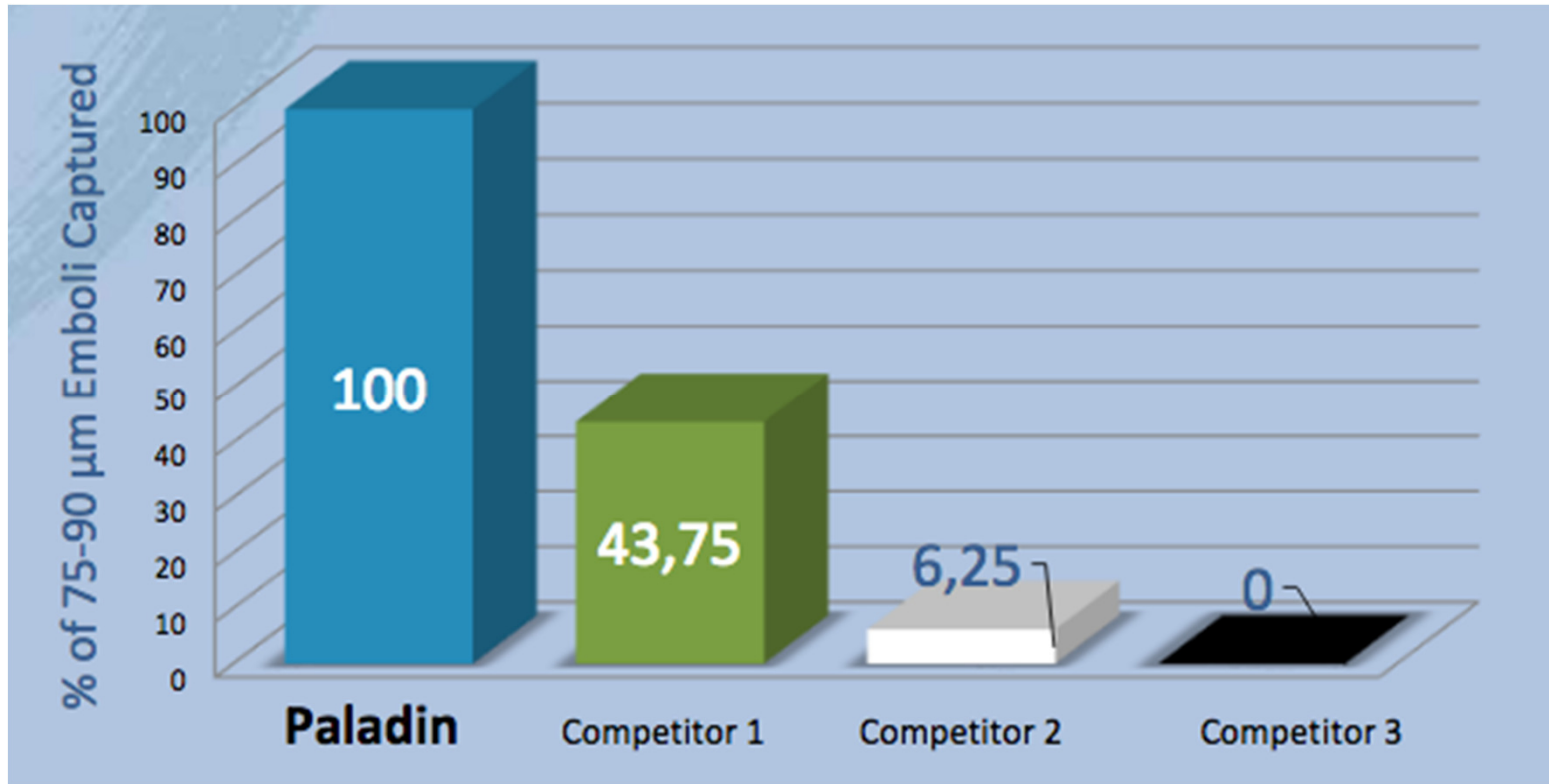
Integrated embolic protection (Paladin balloon, Contego Medical)

- Balloon with incorporated filter using ultra-small pores

40 micron filter



Integrated embolic protection (Paladin balloon, Contego Medical)



Ravish Sachar LINC 2018

Integrated embolic protection (Paladin balloon, Contego Medical)

Cognitive Impairment Due to Embolization Importance of Micro-Embolization

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2013, Pages 58-63

Diffusion-weighted lesions after carotid artery stenting are associated with cognitive impairment

Maggio, P.a, Altamura, C.a, Landi,
D.a, Migliore, S.a, Lupoi, D.b, Moffa,
F.c, Quintiliani, L.a, Vollaro, S.a,
Palazzo, P.a, Altavilla, R.a,
Pasqualetti, P.de, Errante,

CONCLUSIONS:

Our study showed that peri-procedural brain microembolic load impacts negatively on cognitive functions, independently from the influence of patients-related variables. © 2013 Elsevier B.V.

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S0741-5214(16)31513-0. doi:
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Volume of subclinical embolic infarct correlates to long-term cognitive changes after carotid revascularization.

Zhou W, Baughman BD, Soman S,
Wintermark M, Lazzeroni LC,
Hitchner E, Bhat J, Rosen A
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CONCLUSIONS:

Cognitive assessment of procedure-related subclinical microemboli is challenging. Volumes of embolic infarct correlate with long-term cognitive changes, suggesting that microembolization should be considered a surrogate measure for carotid disease management.
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PALADIN study

- PI Thomas Zeller, Horst Sievert
- N=106

Stent Implanted	% (n = 106)	
Roadsaver	43.4	(46)
Xact	31.1	(33)
Cristallo Ideale	17.0	(18)
Wallstent	4.7	(5)
Adapt	2.8	(3)
Precise	0.9	(1)

PALADIN

- 30-day results

	Discharge (n=106)	30 Days (n=105*)
MAE (death, stroke, MI)	0.0 % (0)	0.95 % (1)*
All Death	0.0 % (0)	0.0 % (0)
Stroke	0.0 % (0)	0.95% (1)
Myocardial Infarction	0.0 % (0)	0.0 % (0)

PALADIN

- Substudy
 - N=30, DW MRI
 - New ischemic lesions 37%
 - Ipsilateral 27%
 - Average number of new lesions per patient 0.5

CREST-2

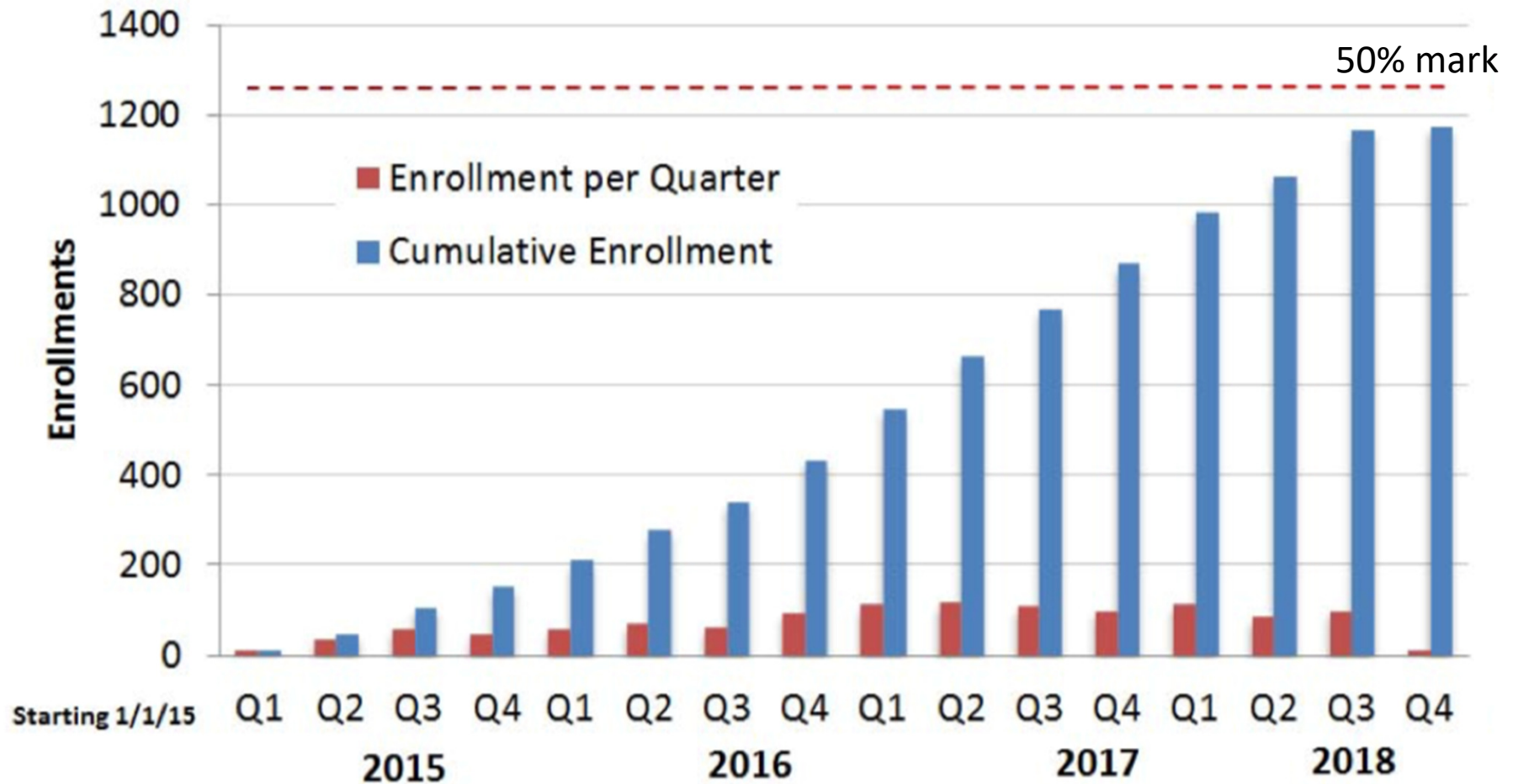
- Ten-year follow-up from the CREST trial and 5-year follow-up from the ACT I study, presented at the 2016 International Stroke Conference, showed that CAS holds up well over the long term against CEA in asymptomatic and symptomatic patients with severe carotid stenosis. Neither of these trials assessed how revascularization compares to medical therapy alone.
- CREST-2, launched in late 2014, aims to answer that question. However, its unusual, two-arm design may preclude direct comparisons between stenting and surgery. The trial is enrolling patients who have $\geq 70\%$ asymptomatic stenosis, with a primary endpoint of any stroke or death within 44 days of randomization or ipsilateral ischemic stroke thereafter up to 4 years.

CREST-2

- seeks to enroll 2480 participants, 40% women and 12% minorities. Patients are eligible to participate if they are ≥ 35 years, have narrowing ($\geq 70\%$) of at least 1 of their carotid arteries, no medical history of ipsilateral stroke or TIA within 180 days of randomization in the distribution of the target artery, carotid stenosis that is treatable with CEA or CAS, and lack other serious medical conditions.

- As of December 2016, the registry included 84 approved sites and 164 approved interventionists, with more than 1,300 patients enrolled. By December 2017, there were nearly 2,200 patients. Overall, fewer than half of operators who expressed interest in the registry were allowed to participate.

Cumulative Randomizations



- The primary outcome in CREST-2 is the proportion of patients who experience the composite end point of any stroke or death within 44 days of randomization or ipsilateral stroke ≤ 4 years thereafter.

Randomised trials of treatment for carotid stenosis

BMT vs CEA	Asymptomatic	ACAS, ACST
	Symptomatic	NASCET, ECST,
CEA vs CAS	Symptomatic	EVA3S-2008, SPACE-2008
		ICSS-2010
	CEA high risk	SAPPHIRE-2004,
	Any risk	CREST -2010,
	Asymptomatic	ACT-1-2016
BMT vs BMT+CEA vs BMT +CAS		
	Asymptomatic	ACST2, CREST2
	Any risk	ECST 2

ECST 2 & ACST 2

- ECST-2 and [ACST-2](#) both seek to recruit patients with asymptomatic carotid artery stenosis, but the trials are not competing for patients because the questions they ask are different and complementary. ACST-2 is recruiting patients in whom it has been decided that revascularisation of asymptomatic stenosis is definitely required, but the clinicians are uncertain whether stenting or endarterectomy should be used. Patients in ACST-2 are therefore randomised between carotid endarterectomy and stenting. ECST-2 is recruiting patients with asymptomatic or symptomatic carotid stenosis in whom the clinicians are uncertain whether revascularisation is required. Patients in ECST-2 are randomised to immediate revascularisation or initial optimised medical management alone. All the patients in both trials will have appropriate medical management.

ACST 2

Recruiting patients from over 112 centres in over
20 countries worldwide

On track to recruit 3600 patients by 2019

ECST 2

30 May 2017: 247 patients
randomised at 28 Centres

Conclusion

- CEA will remain the first choice as long as the stroke rate remains higher with CAS
- Newer technology suggests that we can reach a stroke rate similar to CEA (while avoiding the surgical risks [cranial nerve injury/periprocedural MI])
- Need a randomized trial with new technology to prove equivalency of CAS to CEA

- Newer technologies may further improve CAS outcomes but [they] do not replace good CAS technique and judgement

