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8th ANNUAL CURRENT CONCEPTS IN
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Carotid Stenosis
Is TCAR the answer ?????

Relevant disclosure

- Consultant and Proctor for Silk Road Medical



History

- Hippocrates, 400 BC, uses the term ‘apoplexy’
 - Lesions of the carotid artery could cause contralateral hemiplegia
- Rufus of Ephesus, 100 AD
 - Carotid derived from the Greek word meaning ‘to stun, stupefy, or fall into deep sleep’



History

- Pare, 1552, carotid ligation for trauma
- Thomas Willis, 1664, 'Cerebri Anatome'
- Sir Astley Cooper, 1809, carotid ligation for aneurysm
- Gluck, 1898, replaces CCA with vein graft in experimental animals



History

- Von Parczewski, 1916, resected CCA aneurysm and did end to end anastomosis
- Von Haberer, 1918, Lexer and Denck, 1918
 - Traumatic CCA aneurysms treated similarly
- Harry Sloan, 1920, surgical oncologist resects and reconstructs CCA during radical neck



History

- Moniz, 1927, presents the first report on cerebral angiography
- It gradually became clear that the symptoms of carotid disease may be caused not only by complete occlusion but also in a rather sizable group of patients by stenosis of the vessel at one or several points



History

- Carl Fisher, 1951, calls attention to the bifurcation atheroma as a frequent cause of contralateral neurologic symptoms.
- went so far as to **predict that 'vascular surgery will find a way to bypass the occluded portion of the artery during the period of ominous fleeting symptoms'**



Carotid reconstruction

- DeBakey, 8/7/53, first successful CEA (53 yr old man with tia – no angiogram done)
- Eastcott, Pickering, & Rob, 5/19/54, resection of the bifurcation and end to end anastomosis of the CCA and ICA
- Cooley, et al, first report successful CEA 3/4/56 – also the first reported shunt use



CEA boom

- Rates of CEA rise dramatically through the 1980's.
- Studies suggest complication rates high
 - Rand corp study suggests 30% inappropriate

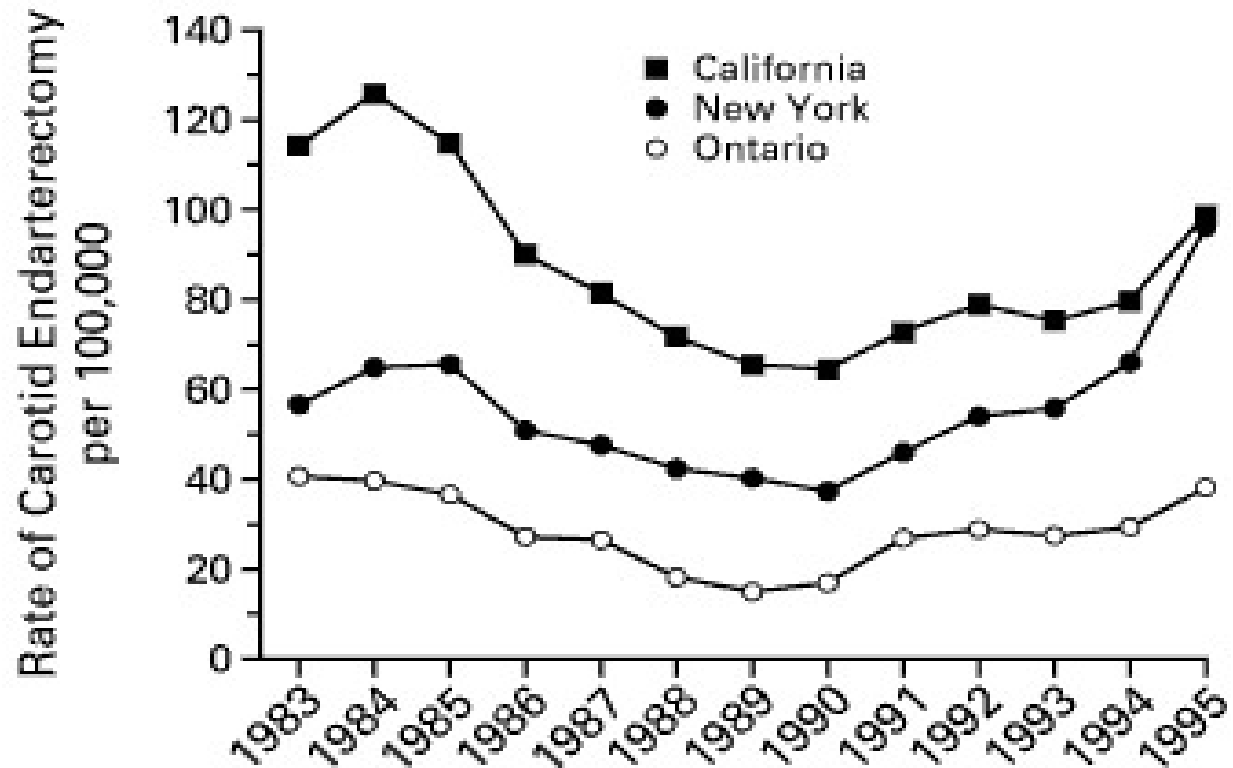


CEA Boom

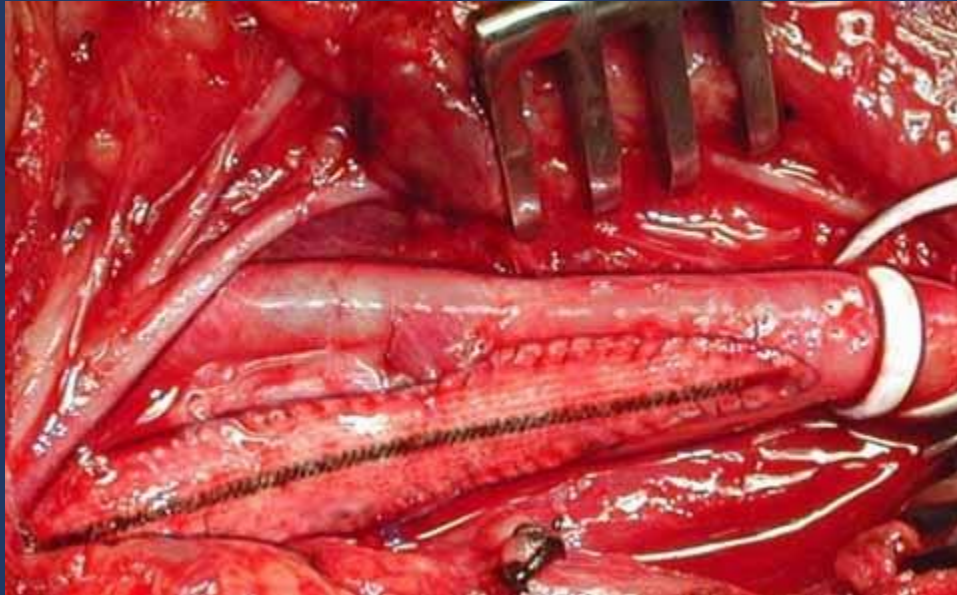
- North American Symptomatic Carotid Endarterectomy Trial, NASCET, 1991
- Asymptomatic Carotid Atherosclerosis Study, ACAS, 1995
- European Carotid Surgery Trial, ECST, 1996
- ALL SUPPORTED CEA over medical therapy



CEA rates

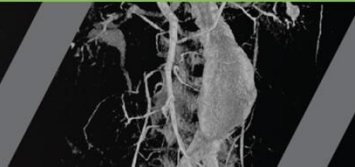
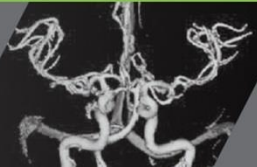


CEA



The interventional express

- 1929 Forssmann does first cardiac catheterization does his own cutdown and inserts catheter into antecubital vein, threads it into right atrium.
- 1956 shares Nobel Prize with Cournand and Richards.
- 1958 Sones does first coronary angiogram.
- 1964 Dotter introduces concept of transluminal angioplasty.
- 1974 Gruentzig performs first peripheral balloon angioplasty.



Carotid Angioplasty

- DeBakey, 1967, open angioplasty with gradual dilatation for FMD
- Mathias, 1977, first PTA
- Marks, et al, 1994, Stanford – Palmaz stents in the ICA after failed medical Rx for dissection
- Dietrich et al, 1993-1995, 117 arteries treated with primary pta / stenting - 11% cva / tia



Stenting Arrives

- 2000 Jun;50(2):160-7.
- **Global experience in cervical carotid artery stent placement.**
- [Wholey MH¹](#), [Wholey M](#), [Mathias K](#), [Roubin GS](#), [Diethrich EB](#), [Henry M](#), [Bailey S](#), [Bergeron P](#), [Dorros G](#), [Eles G](#), [Gaines P](#), [Gomez CR](#), [Gray B](#), [Guimaraens J](#), [Higashida R](#), [Ho DS](#), [Katzen B](#), [Kambara A](#), [Kumar V](#), [Laborde JC](#), [Leon M](#), [Lim M](#), [Londero H](#), [Mesa J](#), [Musacchio A](#), [Myla S](#), [Ramee S](#), [Rodriguez A](#), [Rosenfield K](#), [Sakai N](#), [Shawl F](#), [Sievert H](#), [Teitelbaum G](#), [Theron JG](#), [Vaclav P](#), [Vozzi C](#), [Yadav JS](#), [Yoshimura SI](#).



- The total number of endovascular carotid stent procedures that have been performed worldwide to date included **5,210** procedures involving 4,757 patients. There was a technical success of **98.4%** with 5,129 carotid arteries treated. Complications that occurred during the carotid stent placement or within a 30-day period following placement were recorded. Overall, there were 134 transient ischemic attacks (TIAs) for a rate of **2.82%**. Based on the total patient population, there were 129 minor strokes with a rate of occurrence of **2.72%**. The total number of major strokes was 71 for a rate of **1.49%**. There were 41 deaths within a 30-day postprocedure period resulting in a mortality rate of **0.86%**. **The combined minor and major strokes and procedure-related death rate was 5.07%.**



CAS Trials

- SAPPHIRE
- ARCHeR
- BEACH
- CABERNET
- CREST
- MAVERiC
- SECURITY
- CARESS
- CAPTURE
- PASCAL
- TACIT
- CAVATAS
- VIVA
- MOMA
- SPACE
- EVA-3S
- CREATE
- CASES
- EXACT
- ACT-1
- EMPIRE
- EPIC EU
- SAPPHIRE WW
- SONOMA
- CHOICES
- PROTECT

ROADSTER

CANOPY

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ROADSTER 2

PROOF

CONFIDENCE



CAS

Selective Lt Carotid Angio

Long Lt ICA ulcerated lesion
(>80% stenosis)



CAS

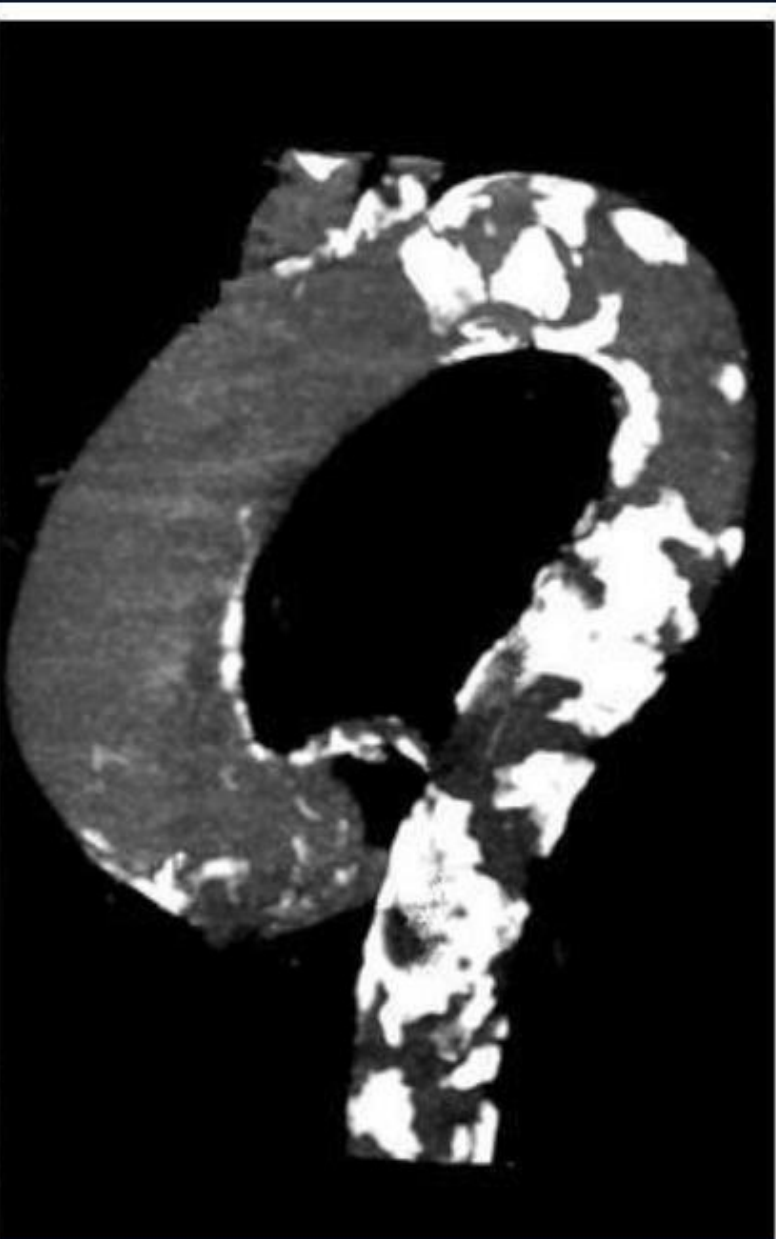
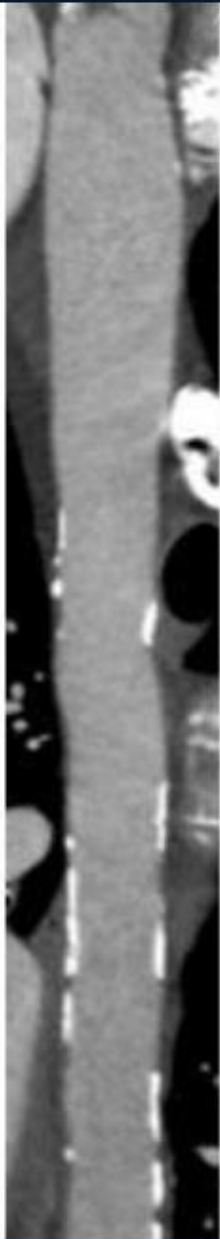
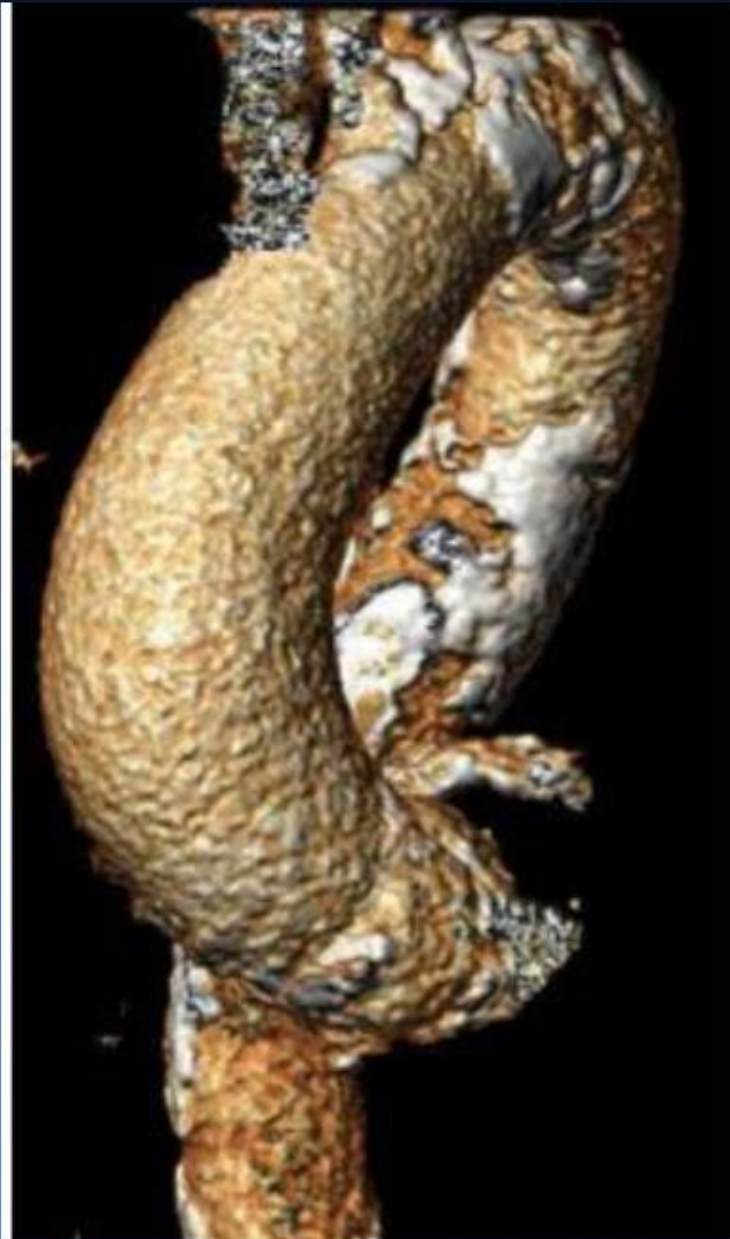
Completion Angiogram

Free flow into the ICA



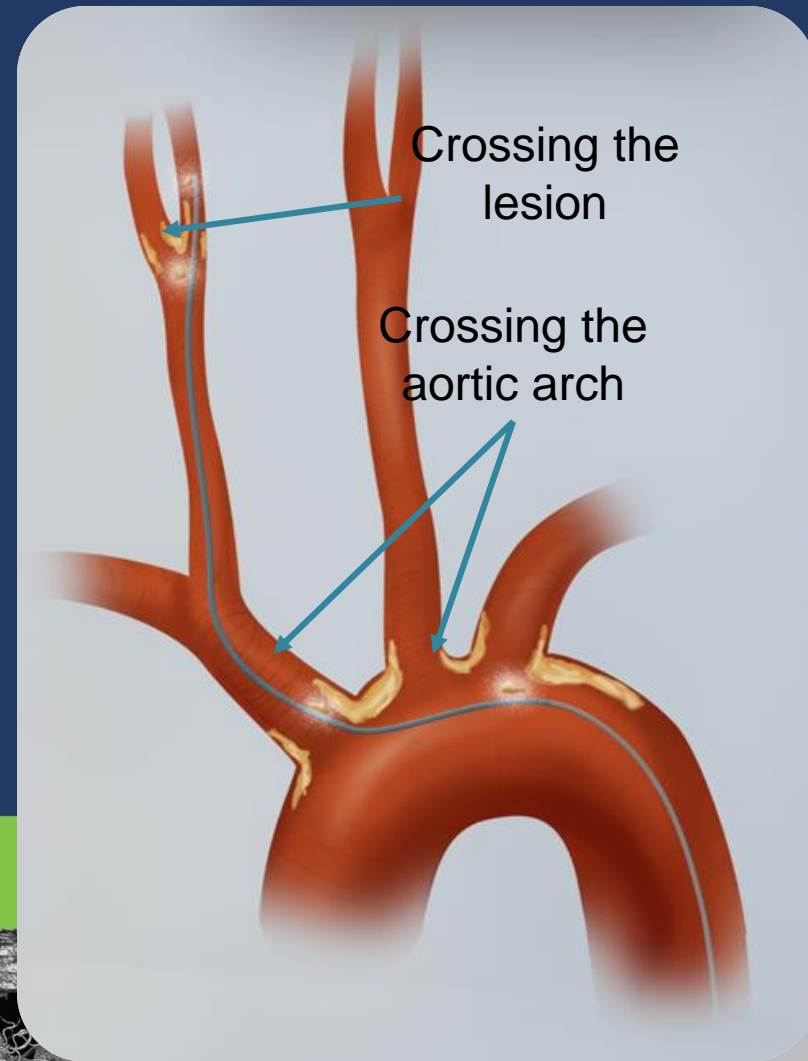
Why embolic protection?





Causes of Peri-procedural Stroke

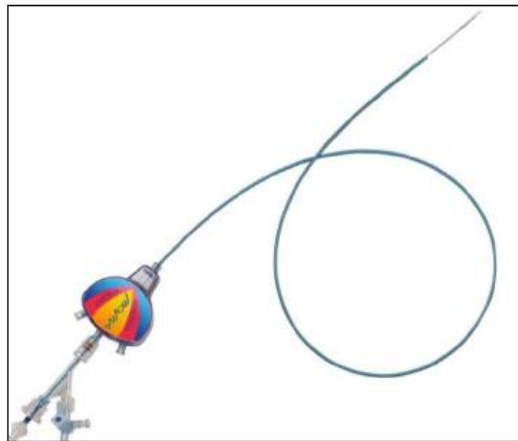
- Traditional CAS requires several steps that create embolic risk
 - Advancing a catheter from the femoral artery
 - Navigating the lesion before a protection device is in place



Progression of EPD Technology in CAS



Distal Protection



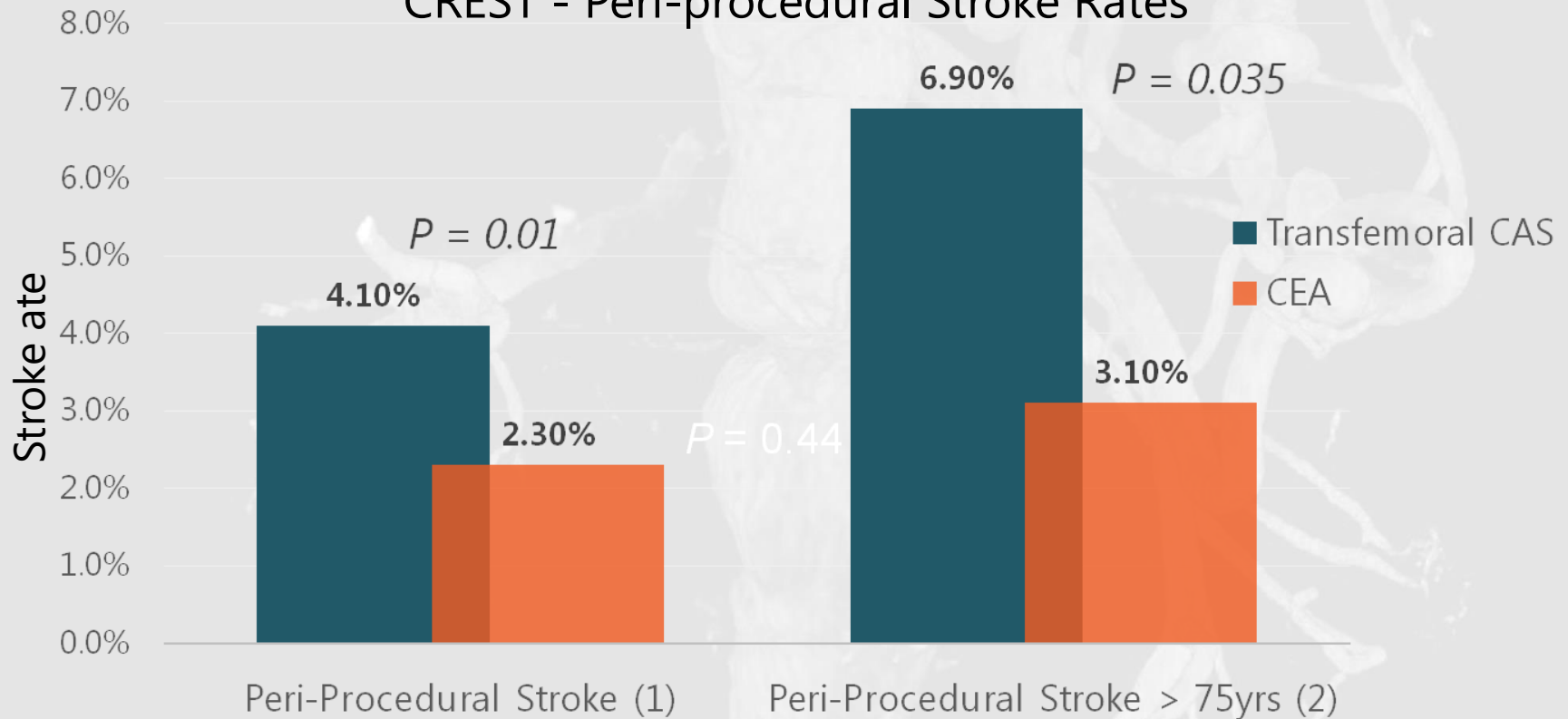
Proximal Protection



Transcervical Access with Flow Reversal

2x Peri-Procedural Stroke rate for Transfemoral CAS

CREST - Peri-procedural Stroke Rates

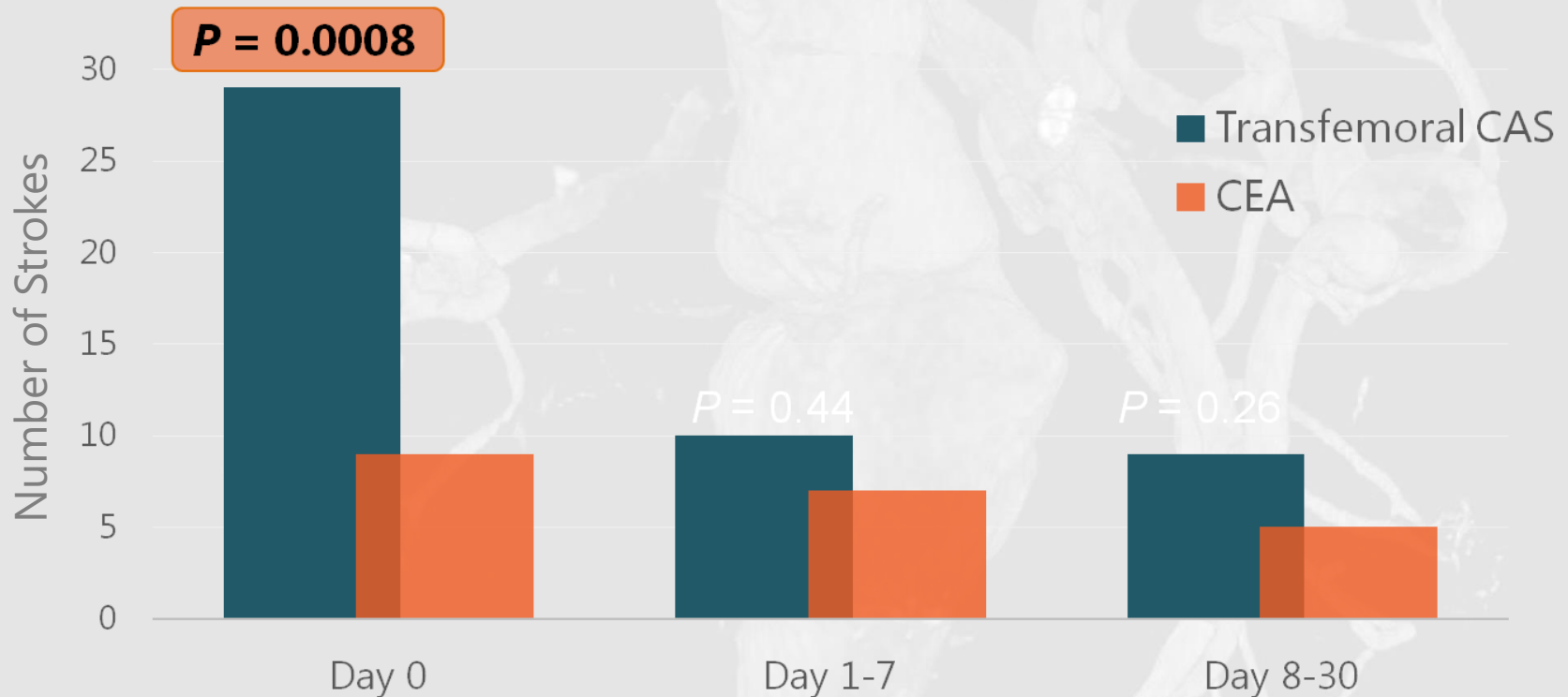


1. N Engl J Med 2010;363:1011-22

2. Stroke 2011;42:00-00

Day 0 Stroke is the Culprit

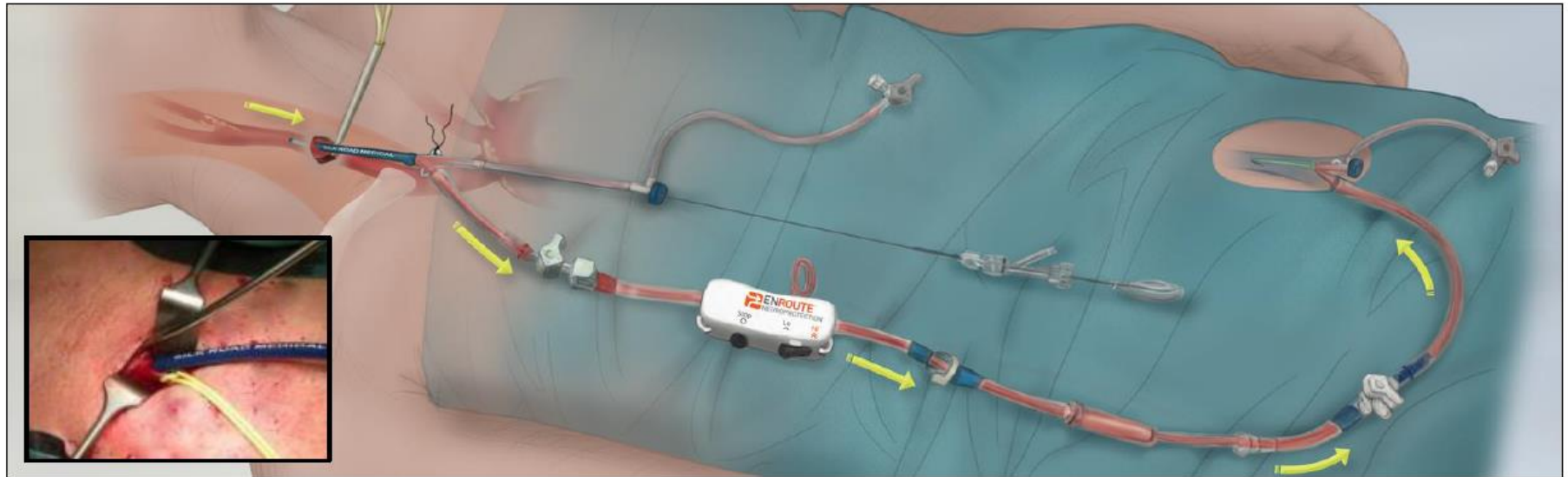
Stroke timing for Transfemoral CAS and CEA in CREST



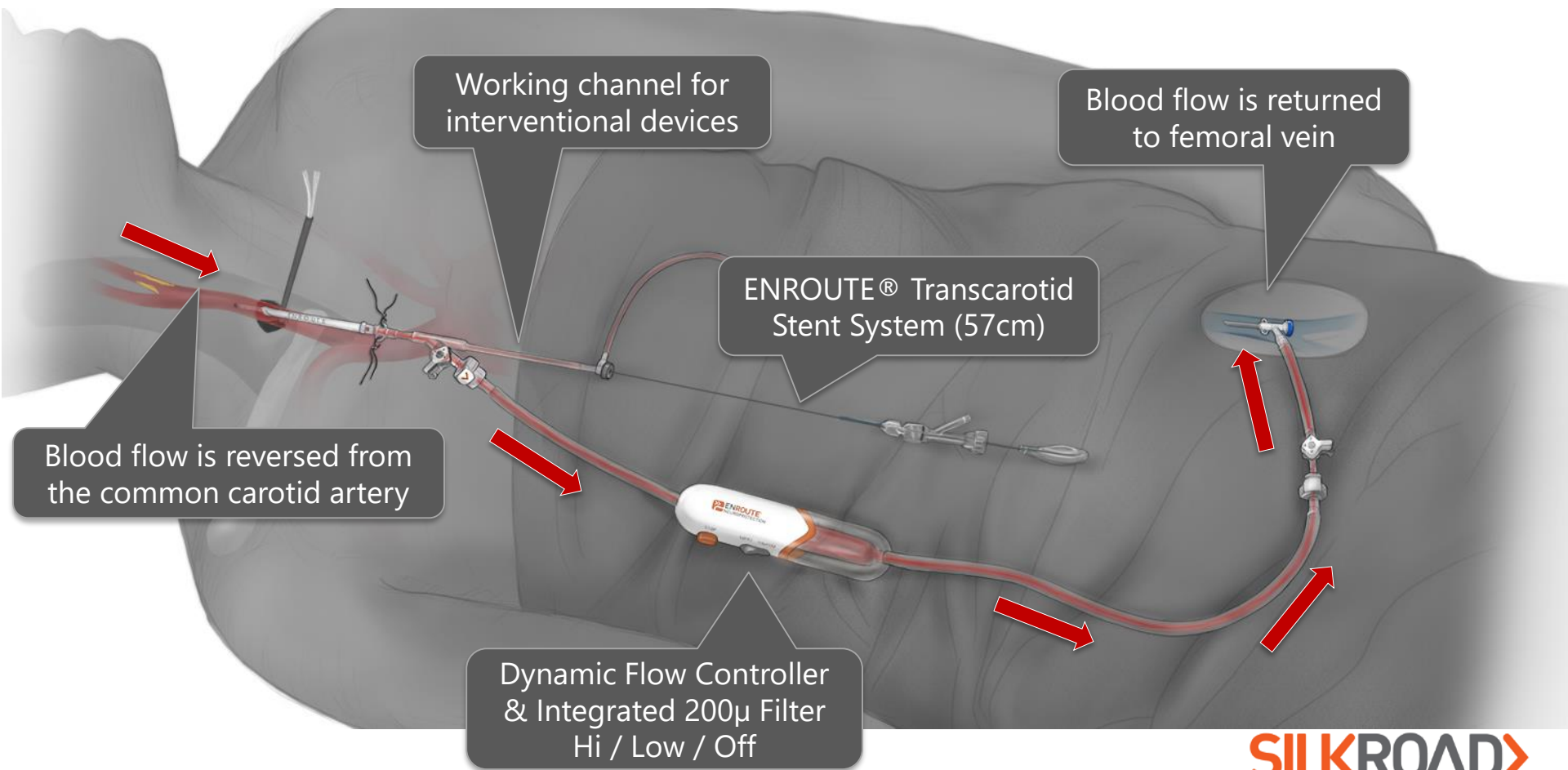
Transcervical Carotid Artery Revascularization

TCAR

- 1-2cm Incision
- Local anesthesia
- Flow reversal circuit: carotid artery to femoral vein



TCAR: TRANSCAROTID ARTERY REVASCULARIZATION



Transcervical Carotid Artery Revascularization

Advantages of TCAR Procedure:

- Establish embolic protection before lesion crossing (proximal protection)
- Flow reversal (“surgical” back-bleeding)
- Avoiding the aortic arch

TCAR

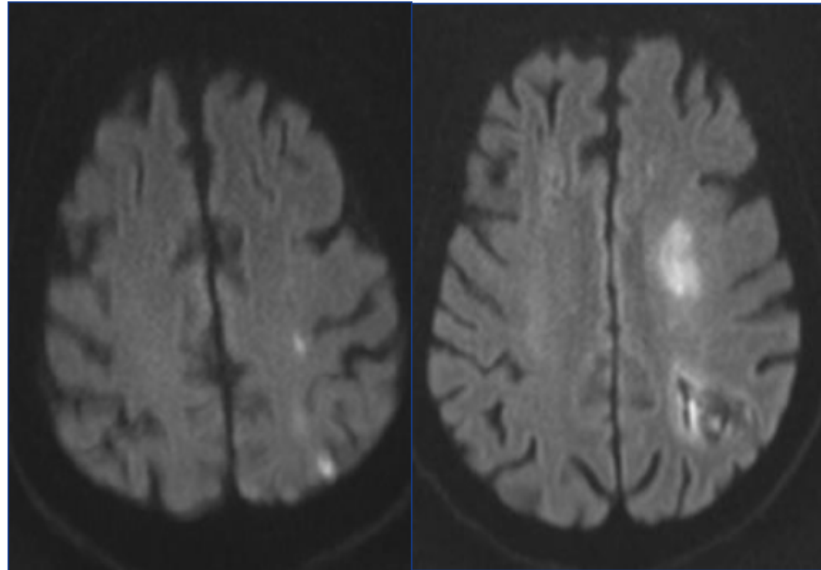


Transcervical Carotid Artery Revascularization

Advantages of TCAR Procedure:

TCAR

- Avoiding the aortic arch



DW-MRI Lesions with CAS/CEA

- Common after carotid intervention
- Incidence / location varies approach
- Bilateral w/ transfemoral CAS
- Evidence of correlation to neurocognitive decline ¹

¹ Akkaya E, et al. Int J Cardiol. 2014;176(2):478-83.

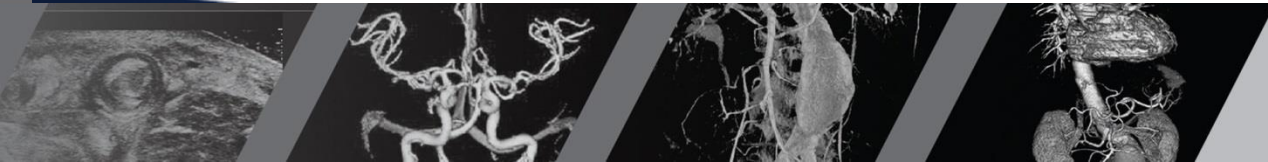
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Study	Access	EPD	Embolic Protection	Patients	% w/ New DWI Lesions
ICSS ²	CEA	Clamp, backbleed	Clamp, backbleed	107	17%
ICSS ²	Femoral	Distal	Distal filter (various)	51	73%
PROFI ¹	Femoral	Distal	Distal filter (Emboshield)	31	87%
PROFI ¹	Femoral	Transfemoral CAS	Proximal occlusion (MoMA)	31	45%
PROOF ³	Transcervical	Flow Reversal	Transcarotid Access, w/ Flow Reversal	56	19%



Transcervical Carotid Artery Revascularization

TCAR

ROADSTER Trial

- Prospective, single arm multicenter trial
- ENROUTE Transcarotid NPS during CAS procedures
- Pivotal trial enrolled 141 patients at 18 sites*
- Symptomatic (>50%) and Asymptomatic (>70%)
- High surgical risk patients only
- 30 day stroke, death, stroke/death, MI

* 220 included in continued access, equivalent all stroke rate at 30 days.



Transcervical Carotid Artery Revascularization

TCAR

ROADSTER Trial 12-month Outcomes

High Surgical Risk	Pivotal Group, ITT (n=141)		Pivotal Group, PP (n=136)	
S/D/MI*	5	3.5%	4	2.9%
Major Stroke	0	0%	0	0%
Minor Stroke	2	1.4%	1	0.7%
Death	2	1.4%	2	1.5%
MI	1	0.7%	1	0.7%
Stroke & Death	4	2.8%	3	2.2%
Cranial Nerve Injury (CNI)	1	0.7%	1	0.7%
CNI Unresolved at 6 Mos	0	0%	0	0%

ROADSTER 1 IDE

OUTCOMES COMPARE FAVORABLY

TCAR 30-Day Outcomes on Par with CEA

	ROADSTER 1* High Surgical Risk		CREST** Standard Surgical Risk	
	Pivotal (n=141)	Con't Access (n=78)	All (n=219)	CEA Arm (n=1251)
S/D/MI	3.5%	3.8%	3.7%	4.5%
Stroke	1.4%	1.3%	1.4%	2.3%
Death	1.4%	0.0%	0.9%	0.3%
MI	0.7%	2.6%	1.4%	2.3%
Stroke & Death	2.8%	1.3%	2.3%	2.6%
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*Kwolek, LaMuraglia, Cambria. SVS Vascular Annual Meeting 2016

**Brott, et al. N Engl J Med 2010;363:11

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ROADSTER 1 STUDY OUTCOMES

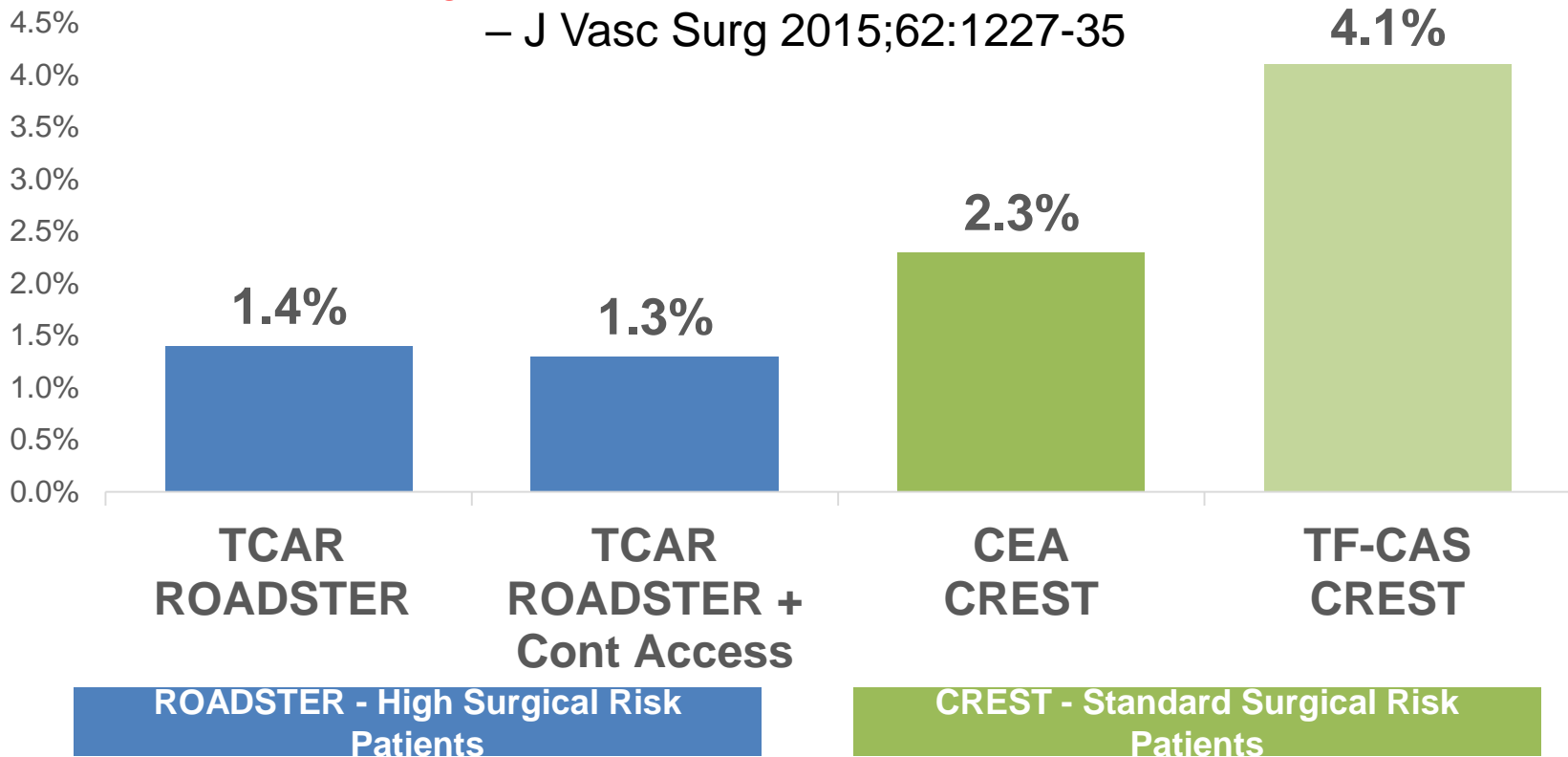
TCAR ***not*** contraindicated in “at risk” sub-groups

High Surgical Risk	Age ≥ 75 (n=91)	Symptomatic (n=43)	Female (n=83)
S/D/MI	6.6%	2.3%	2.4%
Major Stroke	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Minor Stroke	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Death	2.2%	2.3%	1.2%
MI	3.3%	0.0%	1.2%
Stroke & All Death	3.3%	2.3%	1.2%
Stroke & Cardiovascular or Neurological Death	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%

ROADSTER 1: 30 Day Stroke Outcomes vs Standard Risk in CREST

“The overall stroke rate of 1.4% is the lowest reported to date for any prospective, multi-center trial of carotid stenting.”

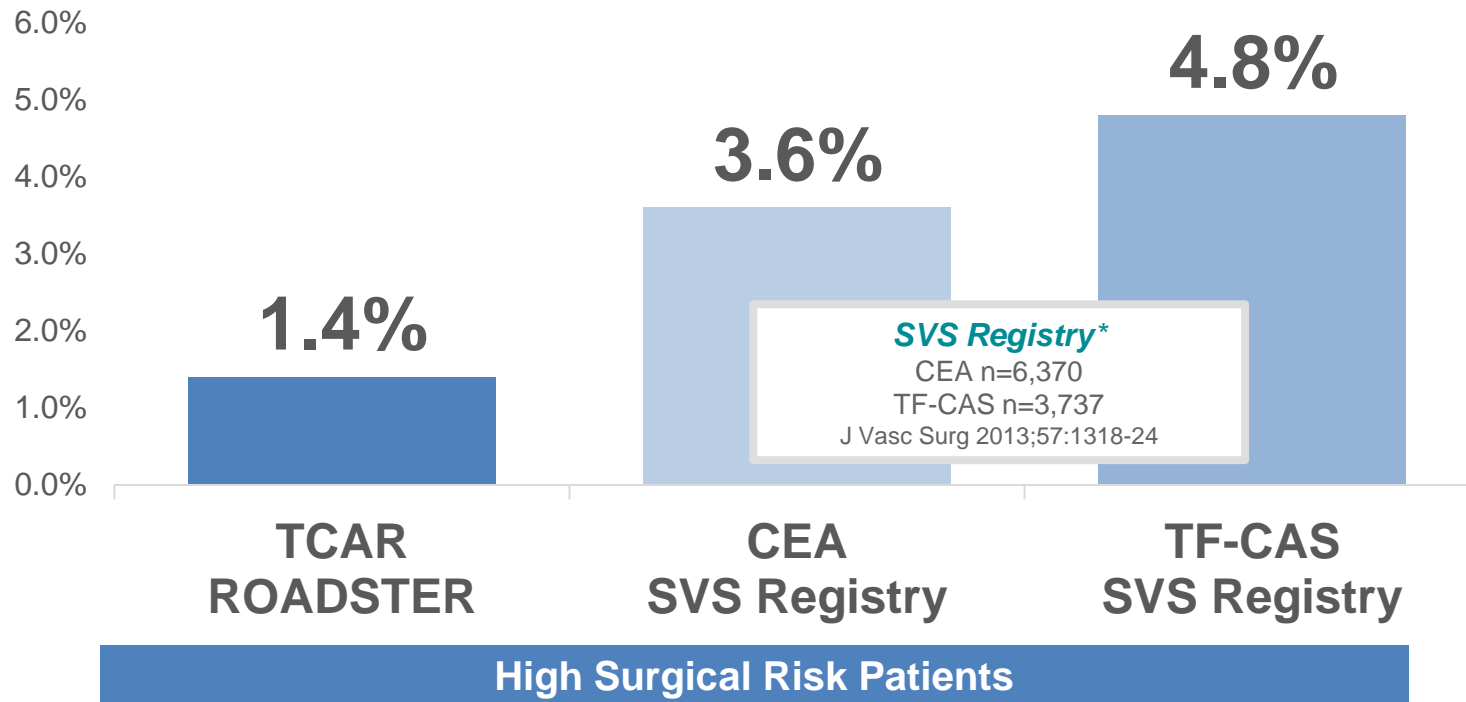
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TCAR in High Surgical Risk Patients

30 Day Stroke Outcomes vs Real World Data

Data

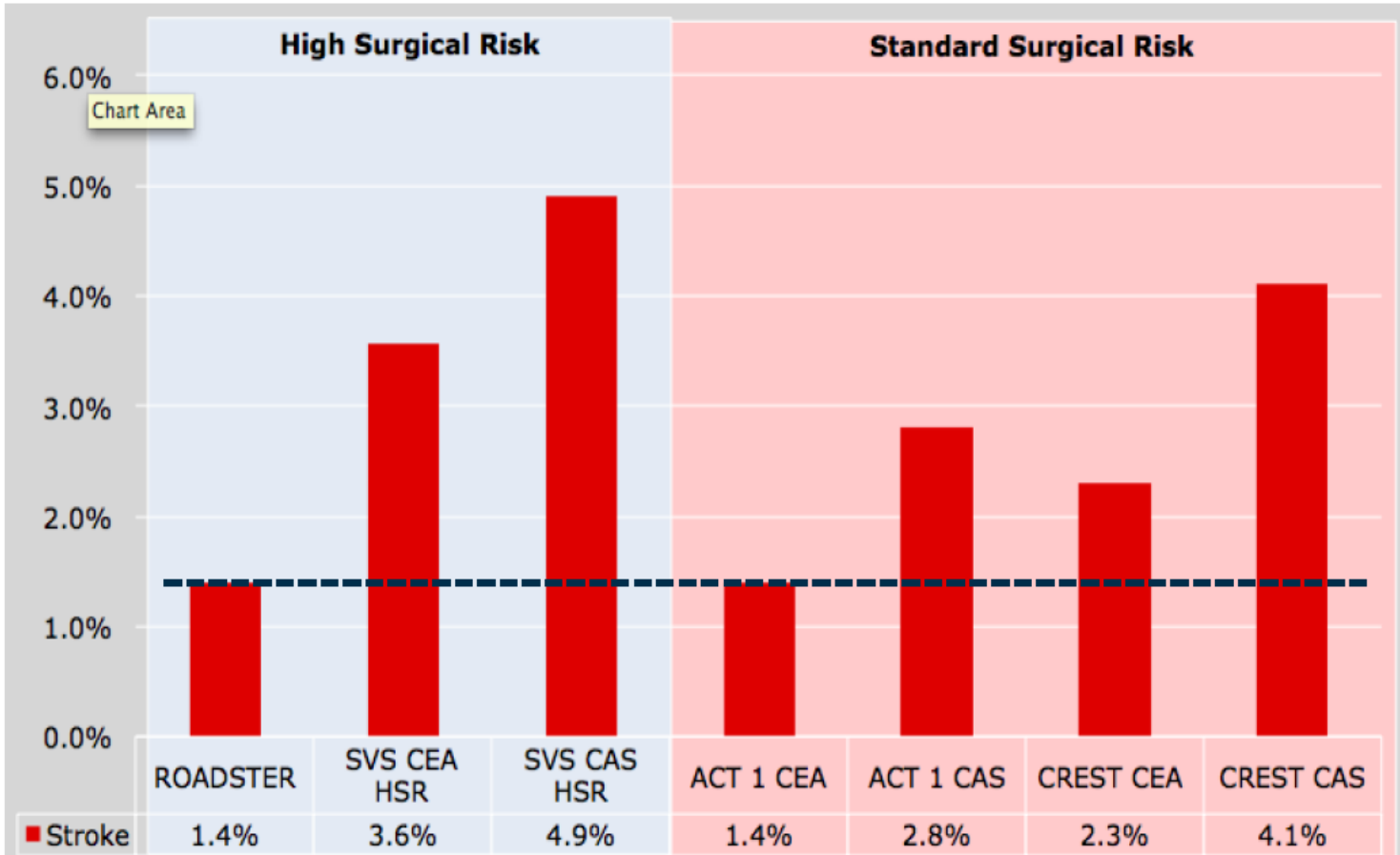


* The impact of Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services high-risk criteria on outcome after carotid endarterectomy and carotid artery stenting in the SVS Vascular Registry - Marc L. Schermerhorn, MD et al.

Transcervical Carotid Artery Revascularization

Outcomes of Contemporary CAS & CEA Trials

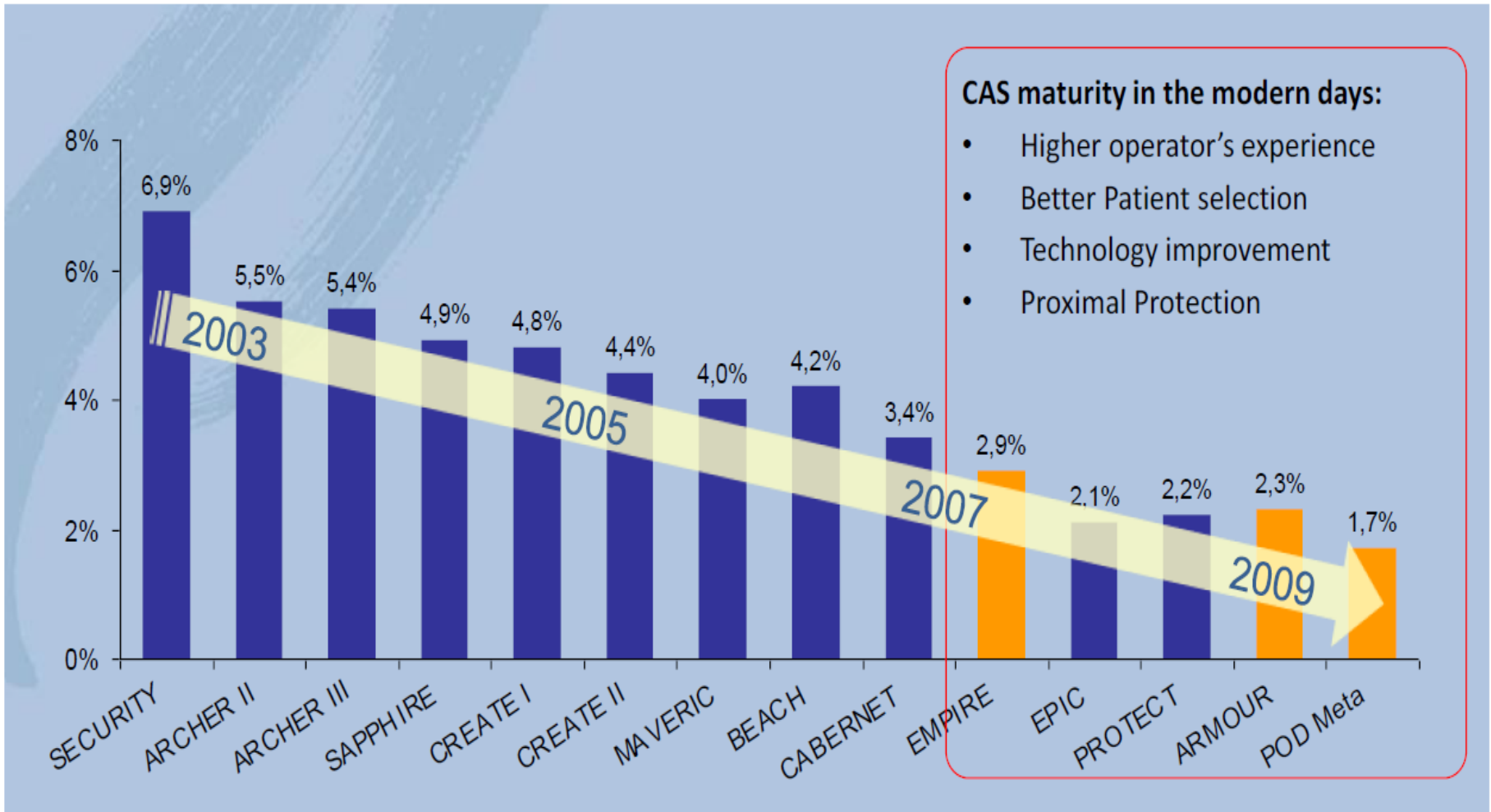
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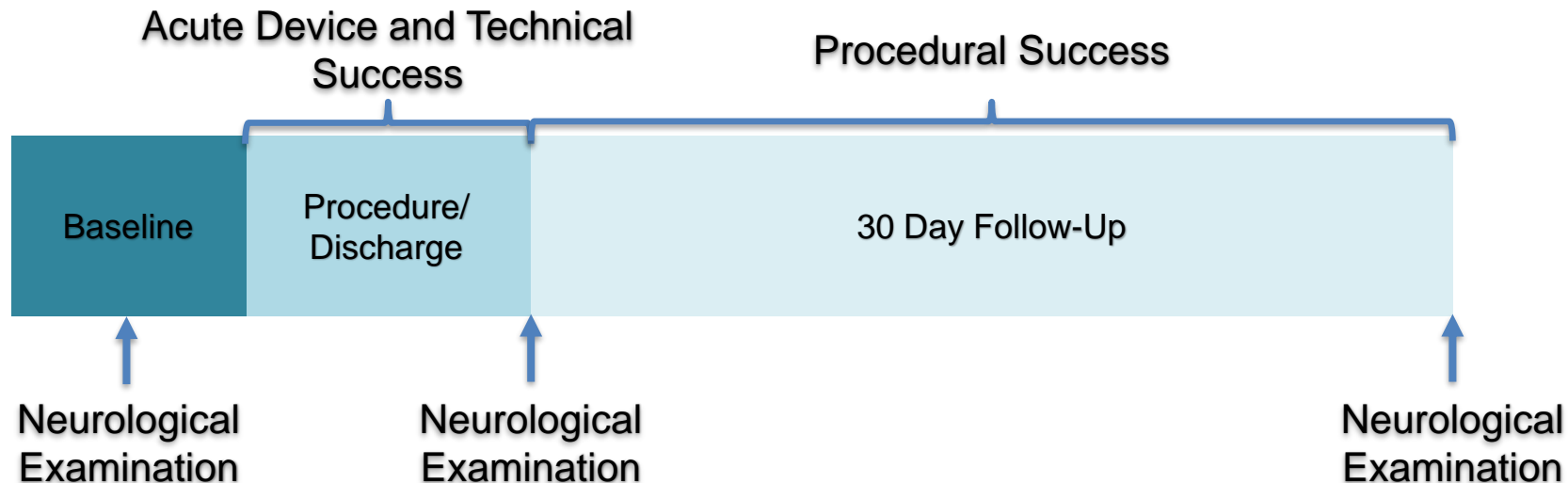
Table 2: Periprocedural Stroke Rates in Contemporaneous Publications of TCAR, CEA and Transfemoral CAS

Should All Patients Be Treated with TCAR?



ROADSTER 2 Study Design

- Minimum of 600 patients
- Per-protocol analysis (all subjects enrolled without major protocol deviation)
- Life expectancy ≥3 years
- The primary endpoint is the rate of procedural success (includes 30 day S/D/MI and procedural failures)
- 70% new sites, 30% ROADSTER 1 sites
- Dedicated TCAR System = ENROUTE NPS + ENROUTE Stent



ROADSTER 2:

High Surgical Risk Patient Population

Physiologic HSR Inclusion

- Severe cardiac disease; severe COPD;
- chronic renal insufficiency
- Age ≥ 75

Anatomic HSR Inclusion

- Contralateral occlusion; bilateral or high or tandem stenoses
- Restenosis post CEA
- Permanent contralateral CNI
- Hostile neck
 - Irradiation
 - Radical neck dissection
 - Cervical spine immobility

Exclusion: Common to CAS

- Afib; recent valve or MI; bleeding
- Evolving stroke; neuro disorders
- Occlusion; ostial CCA or intracranial stenosis; string sign; previous stent

Exclusion: Transcarotid

- CCA disease at entry site
- **<5cm clavicle to bifurcation**



ROADSTER 2:

Baseline Characteristics

Parameter	n=486
Age ≥ 75	41.4%
Female	33.7%
Symptomatic	24.9%
Physiologic Risk Factors only	31.7%
Anatomic Risk Factors only	41.5%
Both Physiologic & Anatomic Risk Factors	26.8%
Top 3 Physiologic Risk Factors	
Age ≥ 75 Years (17.9% as sole criterion)	42.0%
Hx of CAD (≥ 2 vessel disease)	14.7%
COPD	5.6%
Top 3 Anatomic Risk Factors	
High Cervical Stenosis	25.4%
Restenosis after CEA	20.0%
Hostile Neck	17.0%

ROADSTER 2: Procedure Information

Parameter	ROADSTER 1 n=219	ROADSTER 2 n=486
ROADSTER 1 Operators	100%	17.9%
New TCAR Operators	76.2%	82.1%
Enrollment by New Operators	65.3%	70.0%
Skin-to-Skin Time (median)	70 mins	69 mins
Reverse Flow/Clamp Time (median)	9 mins	9 mins
Tolerance to High Flow	98.6%	98.6%
Tolerance to Low Flow	100%	100%
Fluoro Time (median)	N/R	4.3 mins
Contrast Usage (median)	62 cc	30 cc

ROADSTER 2: FDA Endpoints to Date

Patients Treated Per Protocol

Acute		n=438
Acute Device Success	438	100.0%
Technical Success	438	100.0%
30 Days		n=415
Procedural Success	409	98.6%

Primary
Endpoint
Analysis

- **Acute device success** is defined as the ability to insert the device, establish flow reversal, and remove the device
- **Technical success** is defined as acute device success plus the ability to deliver interventional tools
- **Procedural success** is defined as technical success in the absence of hierarchical stroke, death or myocardial infarction

ROADSTER 2: Clinical Outcomes

Patients Treated Per Protocol

	ROADSTER 1 n=203		ROADSTER 2 n=486	
Stroke/Death/MI	6	3.0%	6	1.4%
Stroke	1	0.5%	3	0.7%
Death	2	1.0%	1*	0.2%
MI	3	1.5%	2	0.5%
Stroke/Death	3	1.5%	4	0.9%
Neurological Death	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
CNI (permanent)	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

*One patient expired ~2 weeks post-procedure due to ruptured AAA.

ROADSTER 2 Interim Results

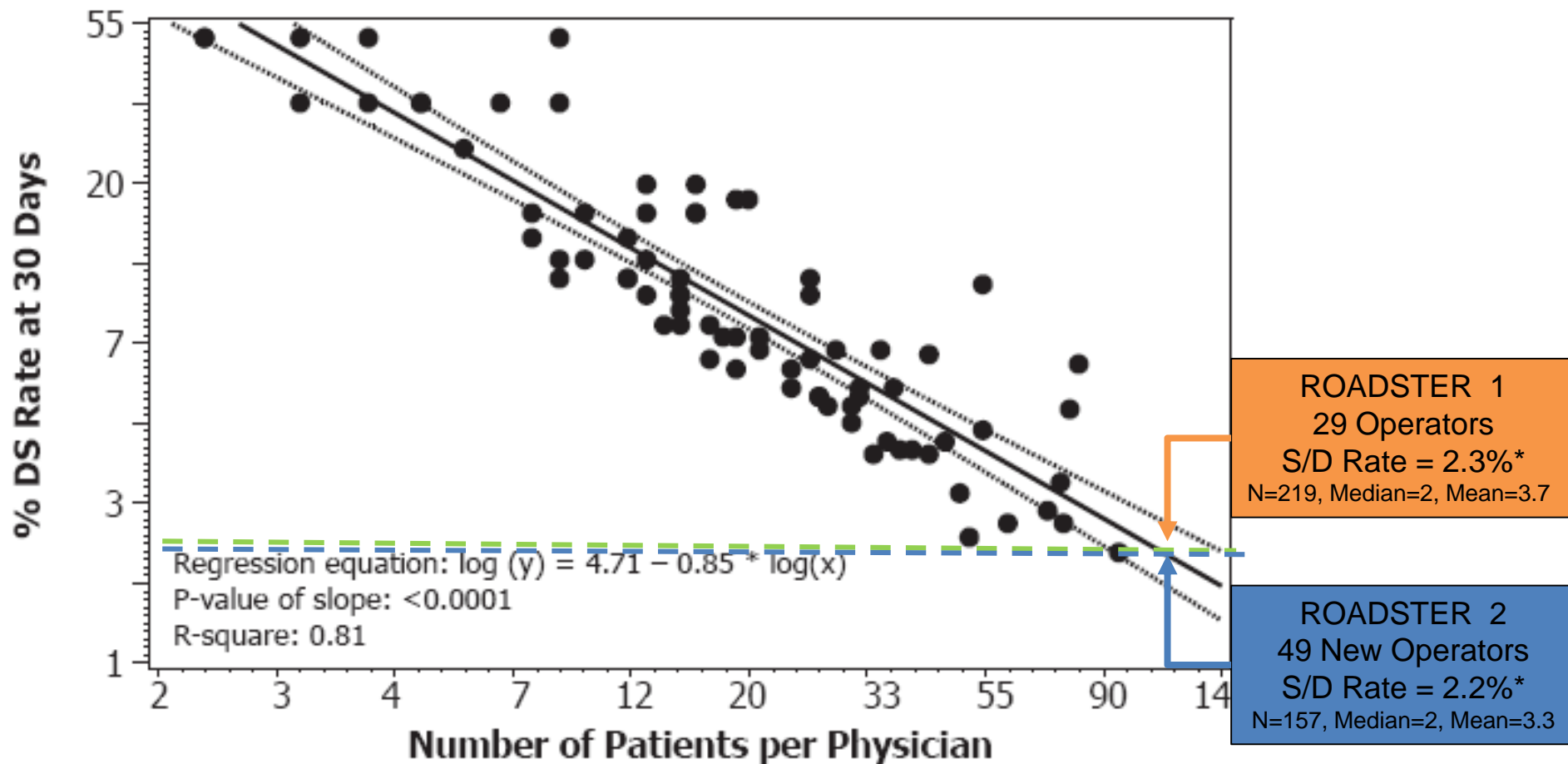
Conclusion

- Clinical outcomes in the ROADSTER 2 post-approval study are comparable to the those of ROADSTER 1 IDE Study.
 - >50% of enrollment in ROADSTER 2 is from operators with no prior TCAR experience
- ROADSTER 2 demonstrates comparable outcomes to CEA in high surgical risk patients.



CEA-like outcomes with shorter learning curve than transfemoral-distal filter CAS

Gray WA et al. CAPTURE 2 Registry. JACC Cardiovasc Interv 2011;4:235-246



*Includes patients with Major Protocol Deviations

TCAR by SVS

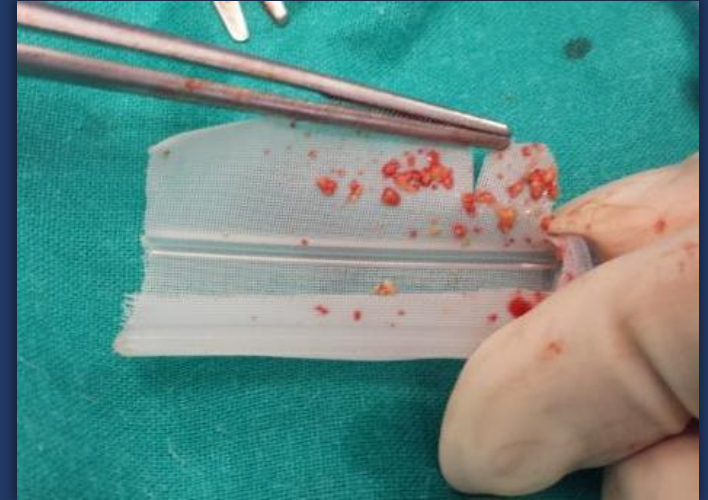
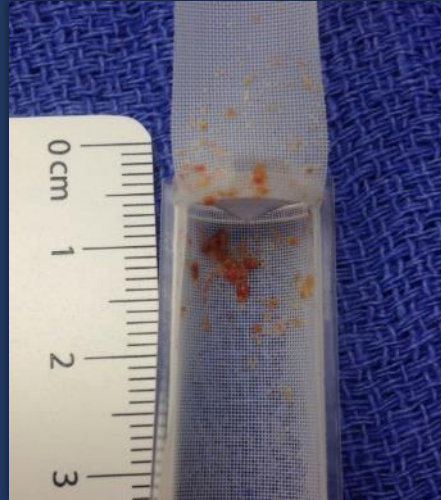


TCAR – Clinically Proven Alternative to CEA and TF-CAS for High Surgical Risk Patients



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Macro & Micro emboli in ENROUTE™ NPS FILTERS



Carotid Artery Stenting

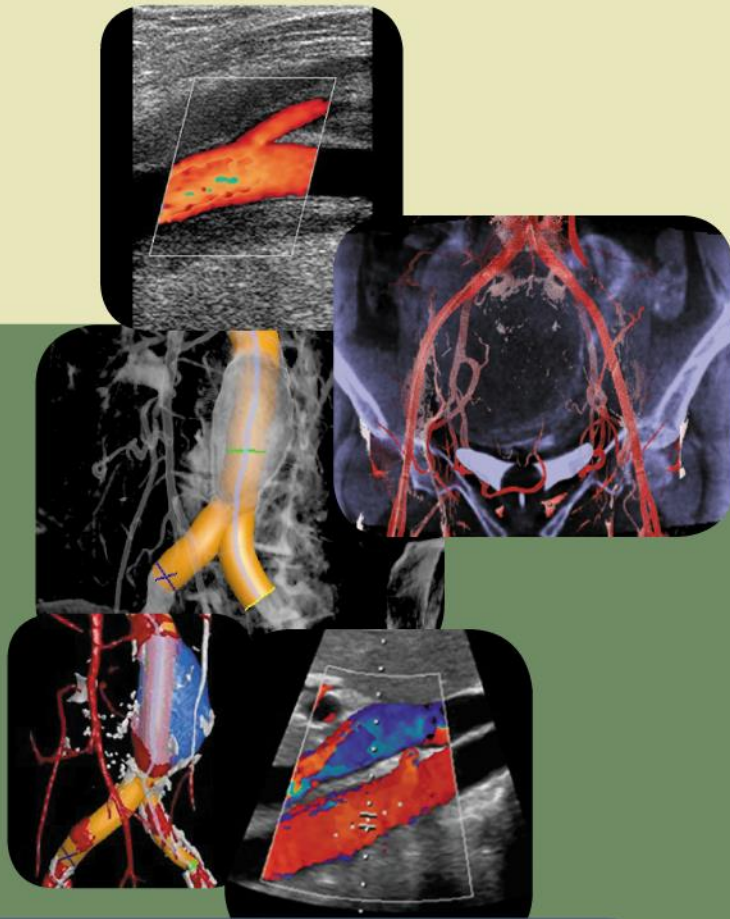
The End of CEA????

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TCAR

The End of CAS????



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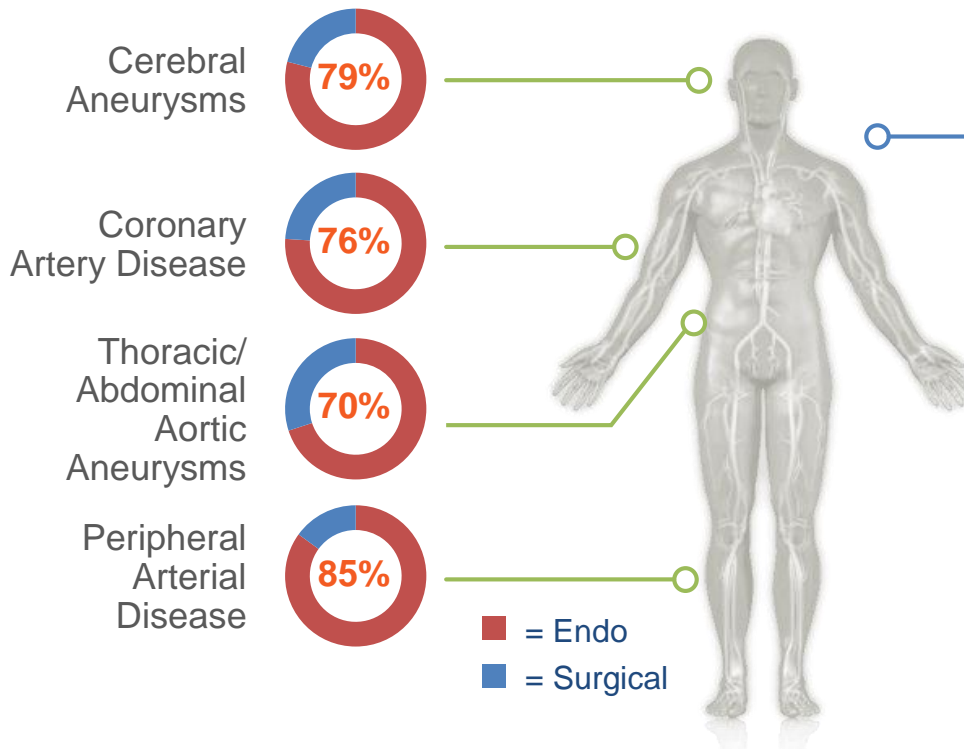
NO, but an increasingly important tool !!!



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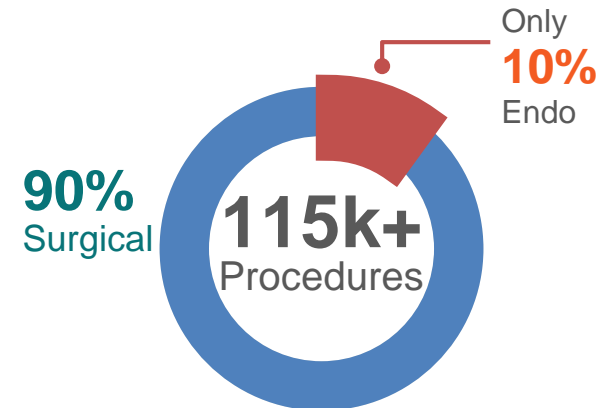
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Endovascular Procedures



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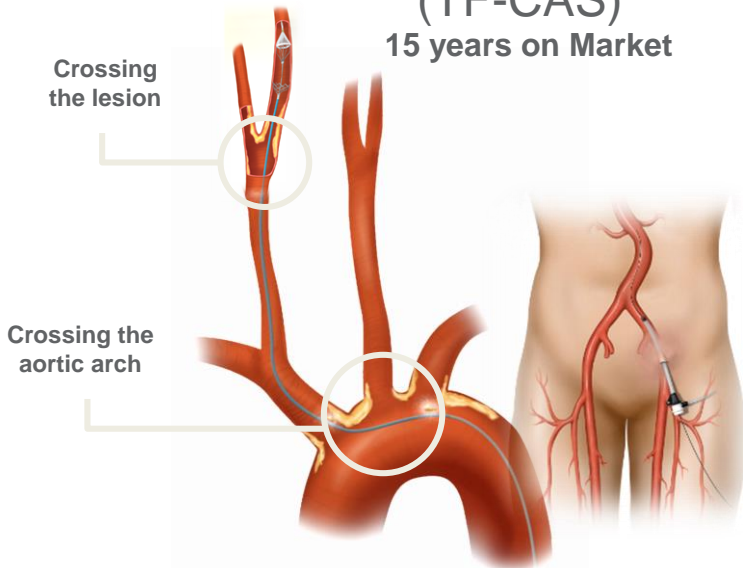
Carotid Artery Disease



Trans-Femoral Carotid Artery Stenting (TF-CAS)

15 years on Market

10%
of
procedures



HIGH (2X) peri-procedural stroke risk

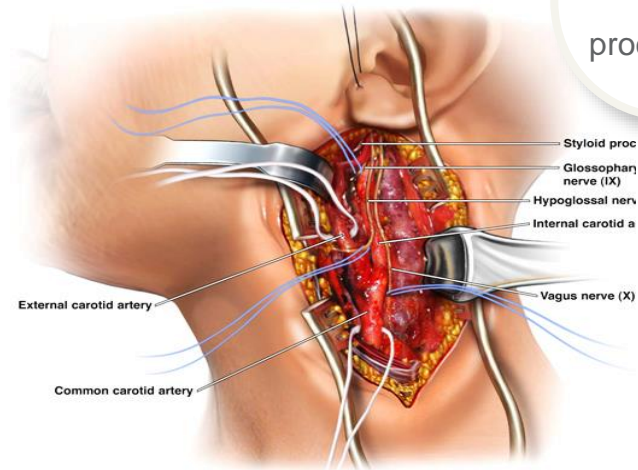
CREST 30-day All Stroke¹: 2.3% CEA vs 4.1% TF CAS

¹ CREST Trial: N Engl J Med 2010;363:11-23 ² Circulation. 2012;125:2256-2264

Carotid Endarterectomy (CEA)

65 years: Gold standard

90%
of
procedures



Low stroke rates & Higher surgical morbidity

CREST CNI²: 2.1% CNI unresolved at 6 months (80% motor)

CREST MI¹: 2.3% CEA vs 1.1% TF CAS

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2.3%

CEA in CREST
Standard Surgical
Risk

1.4%

ROADSTER
High Surgical
Risk

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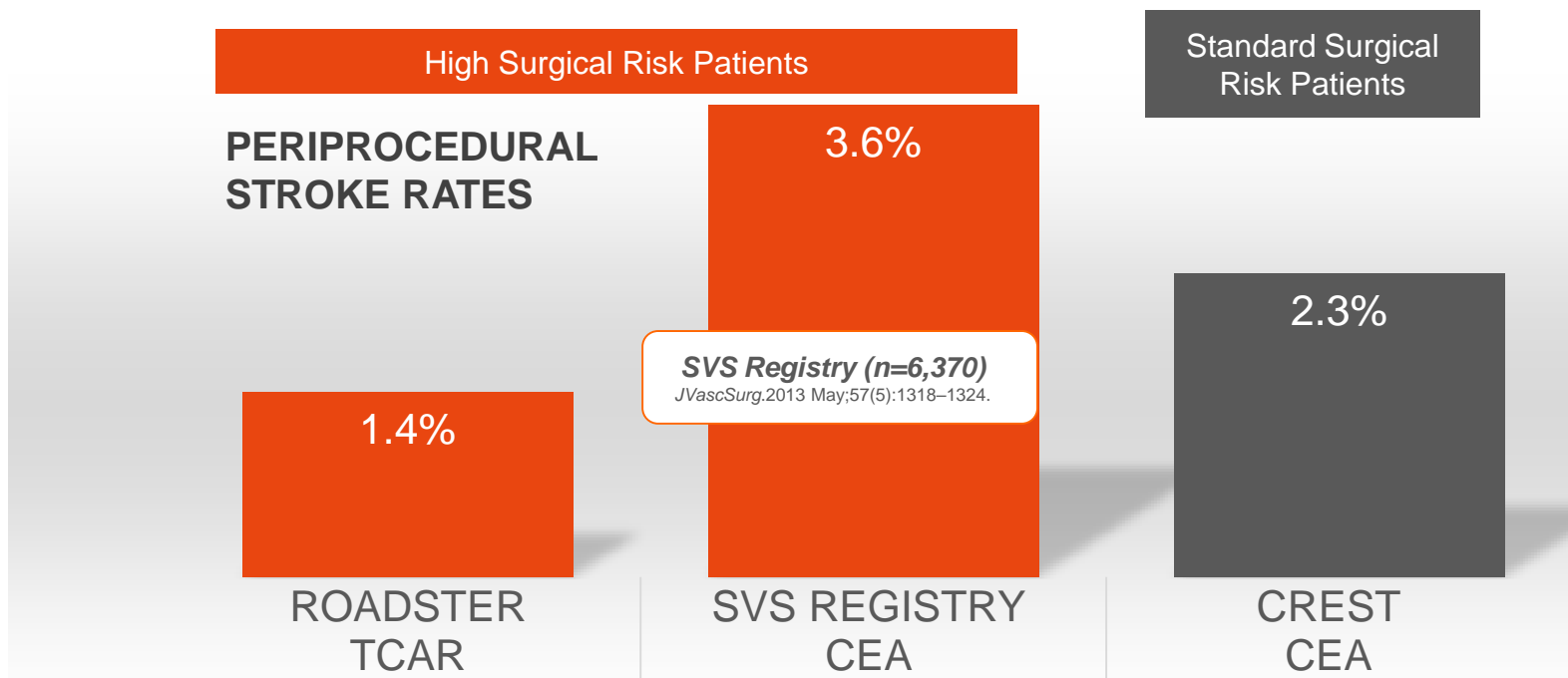
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30 Day All Stroke (ITT)

ROADSTER 30 Day All Stroke Per Protocol
0.7%

CEA Periprocedural stroke rates significantly worse in High Surgical Risk patients



ROADSTER: J Vasc Surg. 2015 Nov;62(5):1227-35.

SVS Registry: Schermerhorn, et al. The impact of Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services high-risk criteria on outcome after carotid endarterectomy and carotid artery stenting in the SVS Vascular Registry. J Vasc Surg. 2013 May;57(5):1318-24.

CREST: N Engl J Med. 2016 Mar 17;374(11):1011-20.

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CMS Grants Coverage for TCAR!

TCAR Surveillance Project

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SVS PSO Launches New TCAR Surveillance Project

September 9, 2016

NEW CAROTID ARTERY STENT PROCEDURE TO BE EVALUATED BY THE SOCIETY FOR VASCULAR SURGERY PATIENT SAFETY ORGANIZATION

CHICAGO, Illinois, Sept. 9, 2016 – A surveillance transcatheter arterial revascularization (TCAR) in launched by the Society for Vascular Surgery Patient Safety Organization (SVS PSO) to evaluate the safety and efficacy of carotid artery stenting (CAS) and CEA in order to reduce the risk of stroke and death in patients undergoing carotid artery stenting.

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SVS VQI TransCarotid Revascularization Surveillance Project (VQI-TCAR)

This study is not yet open for participant recruitment. (see Contacts and Locations)

Verified July 2016 by Society for Vascular Surgery Patient Safety Organization

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Dear Dr. Goodman:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services has received the study protocol for the SVS VQI TransCarotid Revascularization Surveillance Project (VQI-TCAR) as well as the FDA administrative coverage request for this study as scientifically valid. As a result, CMS believes that the VQI-TCAR Surveillance Project should receive coverage for medically necessary data, based on the information CMS has documented for patients participating in the VQI-TCAR Surveillance Project as included in the current's coverage population of services (not a listing in FDA approved post approval studies (PDUFA 1009-207, R3).

Because this trial is covered under a national coverage determination, the process does not require study sites to get approval from the Medicare Administrative Contractors. For billing purposes, facilities and providers will submit claims for the TCAR services using unique National Clinical Trial (NCT) Identifier: NCT02850588.

To facilitate the Medicare payment process, you should provide your study sites with appropriate billing instructions. These include contacting the NCT Identifier from the ClinicalTrials.gov website or Medicare claims along with the other codes and modifiers provided in the NCT claims processing instructions.

Please contact Study Action at ca_sub_actions@cms.gov or 1-877-862-7549 with any additional questions.

Sincerely,



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TCAR Coverage

Carotid Artery Stenting National Coverage Determination (NCD) 20.7

1. High Surgical Risk, Symptomatic & $\geq 70\%$ Stenosis > **Covered under NCD**

2. HSR, Symptomatic $> 50\%$ stenosis

3. HSR, Asymptomatic $\geq 80\%$ stenosis

> **Covered through CMS Approved Studies***

Studies Providing TCAR Coverage Under NCD 20.7

CREST 2: Registry

Standard & High Surgical Risk

Symptomatic $> 50\%$
Asymptomatic $> 70\%$

TCAR Surveillance Project

High Surgical Risk:
Symptomatic $> 50\%$
Asymptomatic $\geq 80\%$

VQI CAS Registry Participants

ROADSTER 2: Post-Approval

High Surgical Risk:
Symptomatic $> 50\%$
Asymptomatic $\geq 80\%$

* <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-General-Information/MedicareApprovedFacilitie/Carotid-Artery-Stenting-CAS-Investigational-Studies.html>

TCAR - Covered Patient Population

~2/3 of All

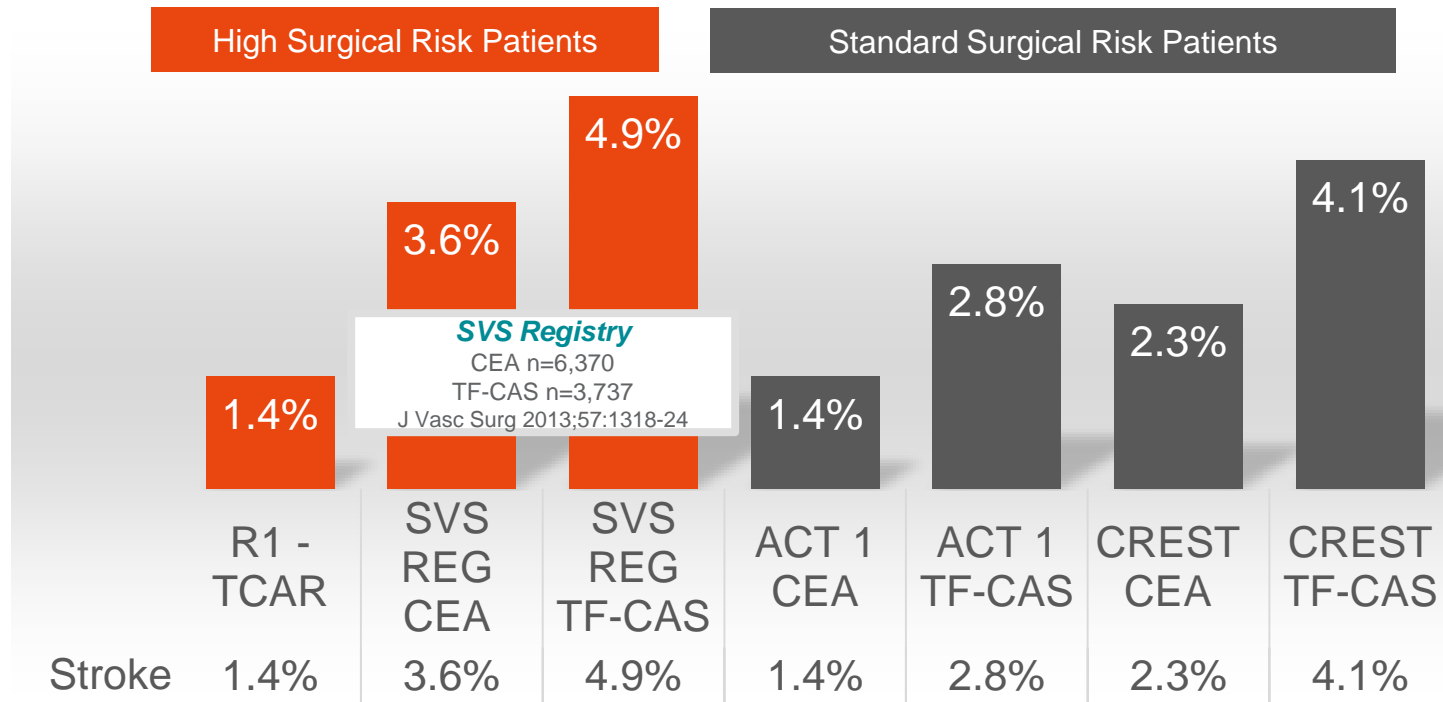
ONE Risk Factor Qualifies Patient for CMS High Surgical Risk Status

- **Age ≥75**
- Congestive Heart Failure w/NYHA Class III or IV
- Left Ventricular Ejection Fraction ≤35%
- ≥2 diseased coronaries with ≥70% stenosis
- Unstable angina
- MI >72hr & <6 weeks prior to procedure
- Abnormal stress test
- Need for open heart surgery
- Need for major surgery (including vascular)
- Uncontrolled diabetes
- Severe pulmonary disease
 - FEV1 <50%, chronic O2 therapy or resting PO2 <60mmHg
- **Prior head/neck surgery or irradiation**
- Cervical spine immobility
- **Restenosis post CEA**
- **Surgically inaccessible lesion**
- Laryngeal palsy; Laryngectomy;
- **Permanent contralateral cranial nerve injury**
- **Contralateral occlusion**
- Severe tandem lesions
- Bilateral stenosis requiring treatment

These criteria are considered reimbursement eligible for the TCAR Procedure per the Medicare National Coverage Determination (20.7) on PTA including CAS.

Periprocedural Stroke Rates

Contemporaneous Publications of TCAR, CEA & TF-CAS

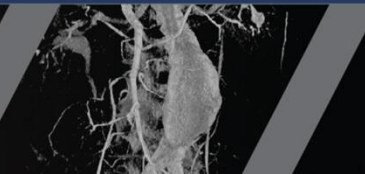
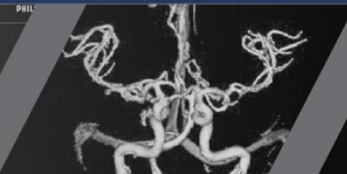


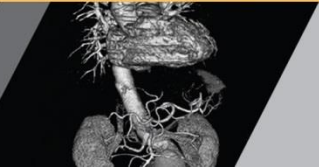
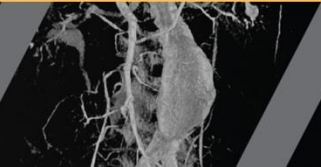
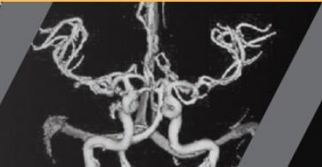
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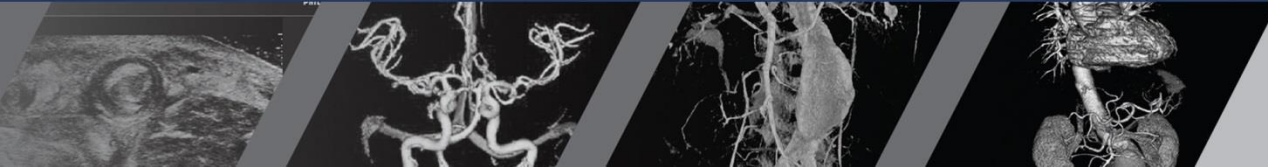
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