

# CGuard™ short-term safety and long-term efficacy from a single-center prospective registry

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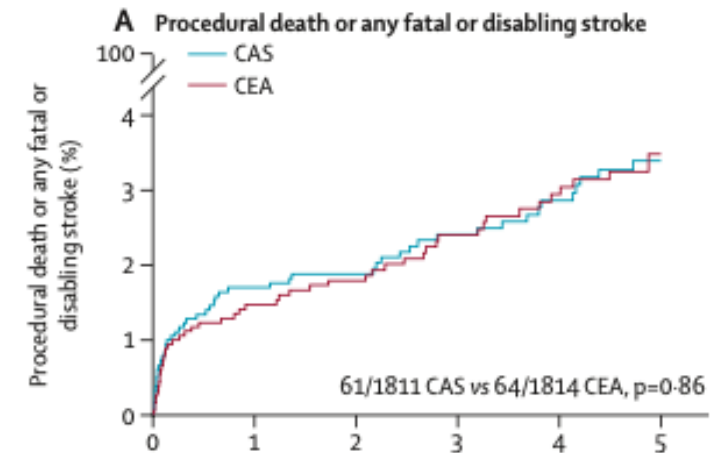
# Background

## Second asymptomatic carotid surgery trial (ACST-2): a randomised comparison of carotid artery stenting versus carotid endarterectomy

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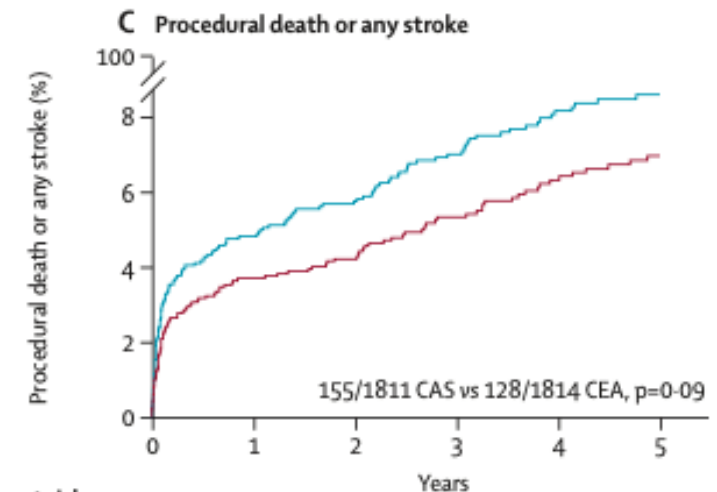
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«Serious complications are similarly uncommon after competent CAS and CEA, and the long-term effects of these two carotid artery procedures on fatal or disabling stroke are comparable»



Number at risk  
(number of events,  
annual rate [%])\*

CAS	1811	1639	1408	1186	993	789
	(30, 1.8%)	(3, 0.2%)	(7, 0.5%)	(5, 0.5%)	(5, 0.6%)	(11, 0.5%)
CEA	1814	1625	1422	1196	988	814
	(26, 1.5%)	(5, 0.3%)	(8, 0.6%)	(6, 0.6%)	(5, 0.6%)	(14, 0.6%)



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CAS	1811	1588	1353	1131	935	741
	(86, 5.2%)	(15, 1.0%)	(17, 1.4%)	(13, 1.3%)	(4, 0.5%)	(20, 1.0%)
CEA	1814	1587	1386	1156	946	775
	(66, 4.0%)	(8, 0.5%)	(15, 1.2%)	(11, 1.1%)	(6, 0.7%)	(22, 1.1%)

# Background

CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINE DOCUMENT

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## European Society for Vascular Surgery (ESVS) 2023 Clinical Practice Guidelines on the Management of Atherosclerotic Carotid and Vertebral Artery Disease <sup>☆</sup>

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### Recommendation 20

Unchanged

For average surgical risk patients with an asymptomatic 60–99% stenosis in the presence of one or more imaging or clinical characteristics that may be associated with an increased risk of late stroke\*, carotid stenting may be an alternative to carotid endarterectomy, provided 30 day stroke/death rates are  $\leq 3\%$  and patient life expectancy exceeds five years.

Class	Level	References	ToE
Ib	B	Mannheim <i>et al.</i> (2017) <sup>222</sup> ,	

### Recommendation 84

New

For patients undergoing elective carotid artery stenting, dual layer mesh covered stents may be considered.

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Ib	C	Imamura <i>et al.</i> (2021) <sup>486</sup>	

# Carotid Embolic Prevention System

The CGuard™ Embolic Prevention System (EPS) is designed to prevent peri-procedural and late embolization by trapping potential emboli against the arterial wall while maintaining excellent perfusion to the external carotid artery and branch vessels.

## Product Details:

- CGuard material: Nitinol
- MicroNet material: Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET)
- Easy to use RX (Rapid Exchange) delivery system



✓ **Dual Layer Design**

Open cell stent platform wrapped in MicroNet mesh

✓ **MicroNet™**

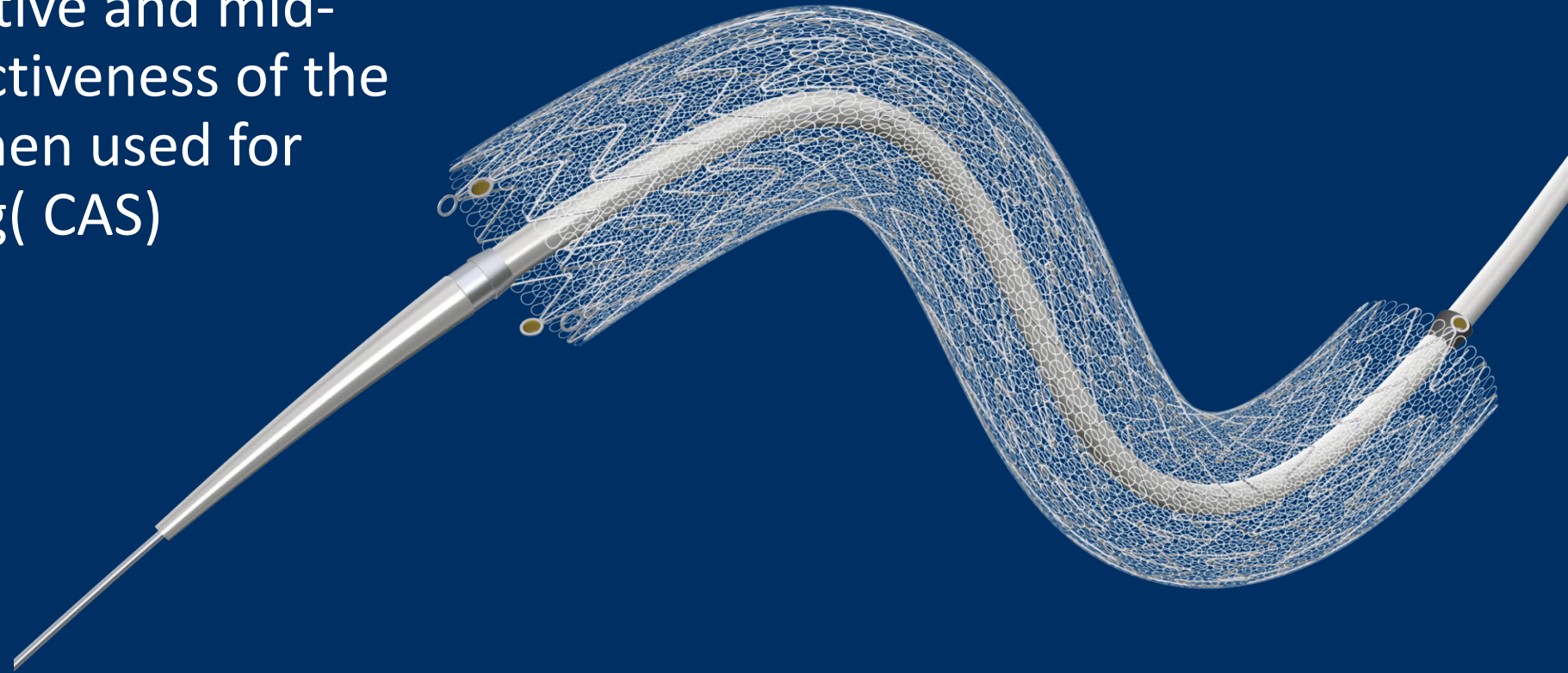
For continuous embolic prevention

✓ **SmartFit™ Technology**

Eliminates need for tapered version

# Aim of the study

To evaluate perioperative and mid-term, safety, and effectiveness of the CGuard EPS device when used for carotid artery stenting( CAS) procedures



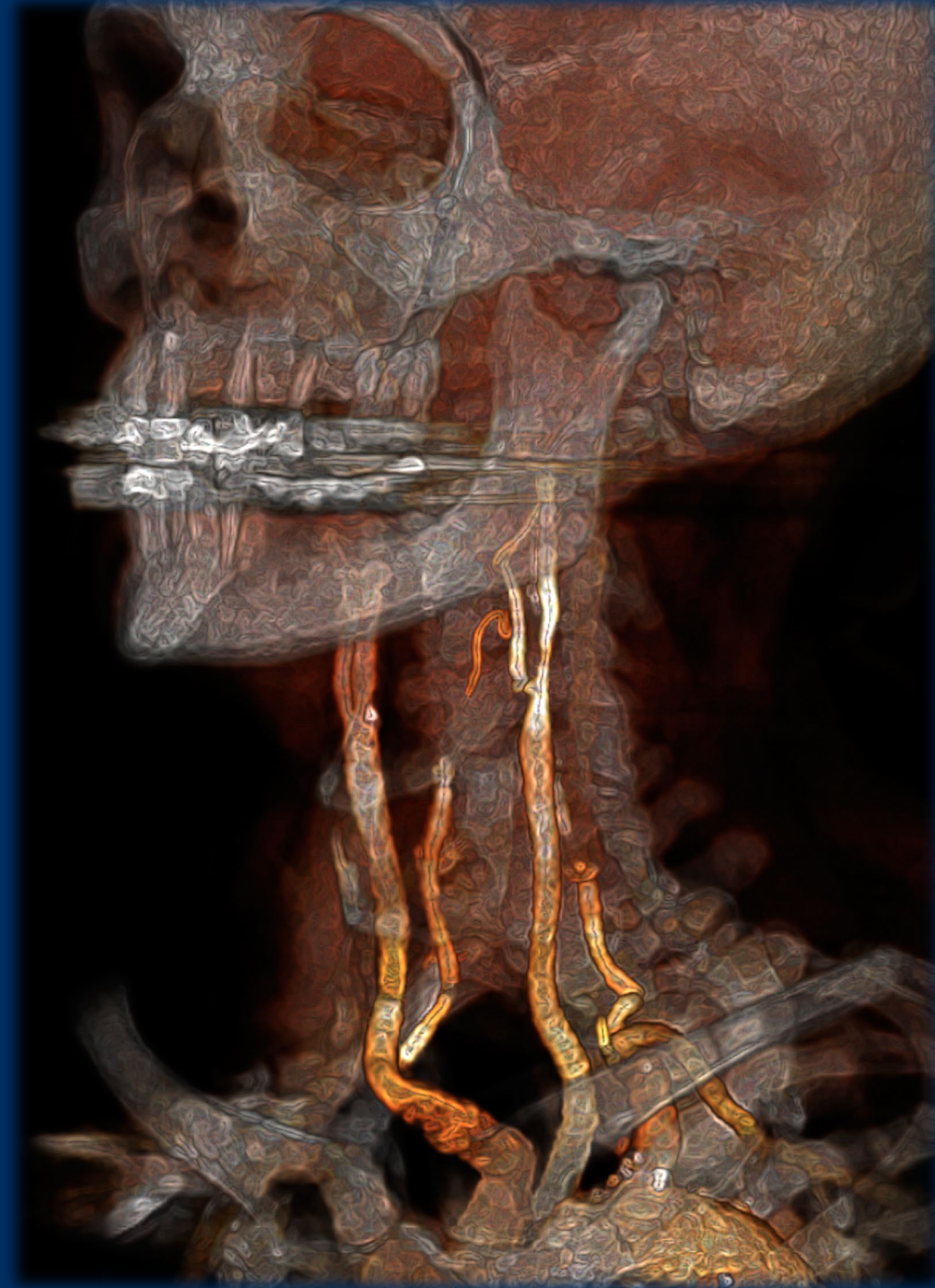
# Spontaneous single center registry



# Study population

All patients consecutively treated with CGuard for carotid artery stenosis during the period Jan2016-Dec2023 were prospectively enrolled

CGuard was used for the preferred stent used during the whole period





# Endpoints - methods

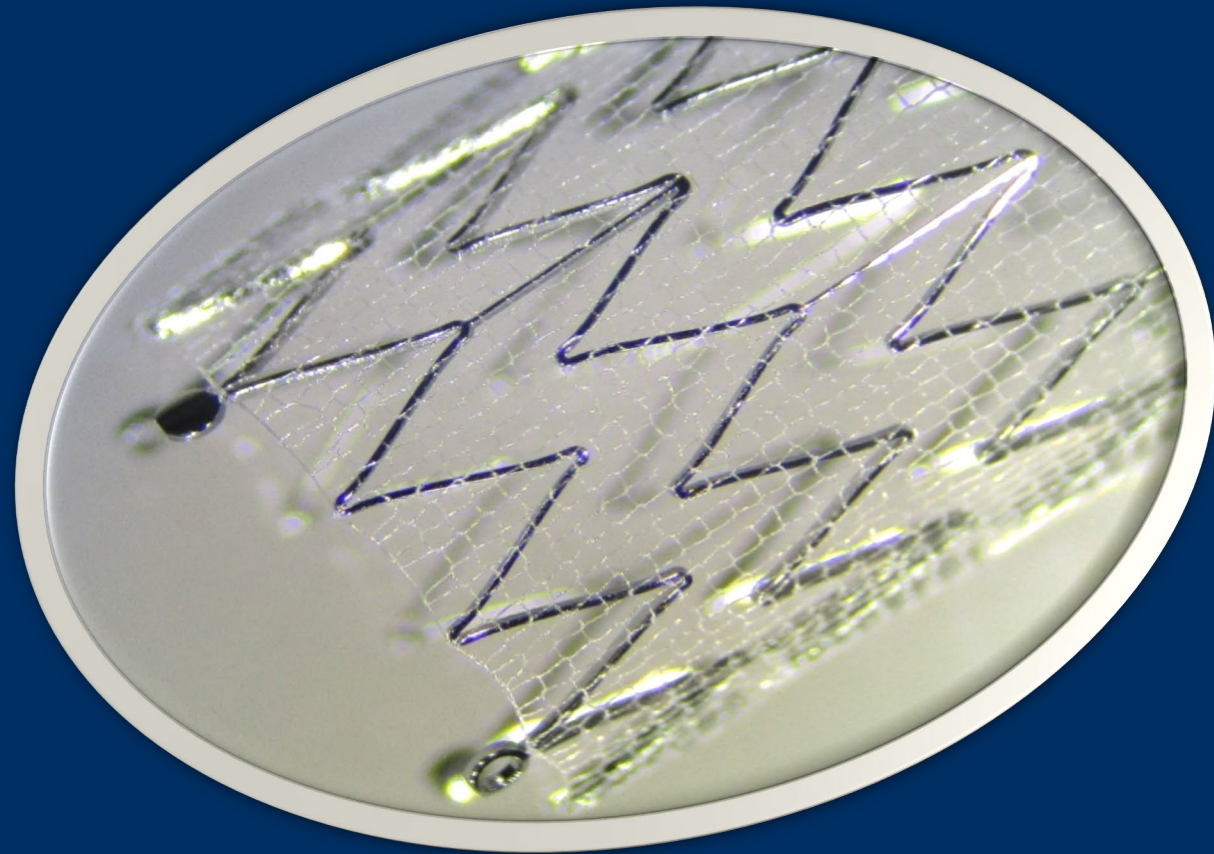
## Primary endpoints

- technical success
- perioperative neurological events .

## Secondary endpoint

- rate of neurologic, cardiac events, and death (major adverse event or MAE) at 30 days.

Patency of CGuard, were evaluated at 30 days, 6 months, 12 months and yearly thereafter. with duplex ultrasound.



# Study population

**183** total patients included in the study cohort



Risk factors	n (%)
Mean age	72,6 ± 8.1
Male	118 (64.5)
Hypertension	167 (91.2)
Diabetes	59 (32.2)
Hyperlipemia	113 (61.7)
COPD	54 (29.5)
CAD	61 (33.3)
Anticoagulant	16 (8.7)

# Study population

**49** (26.8%) patients had a symptomatic carotid stenosis

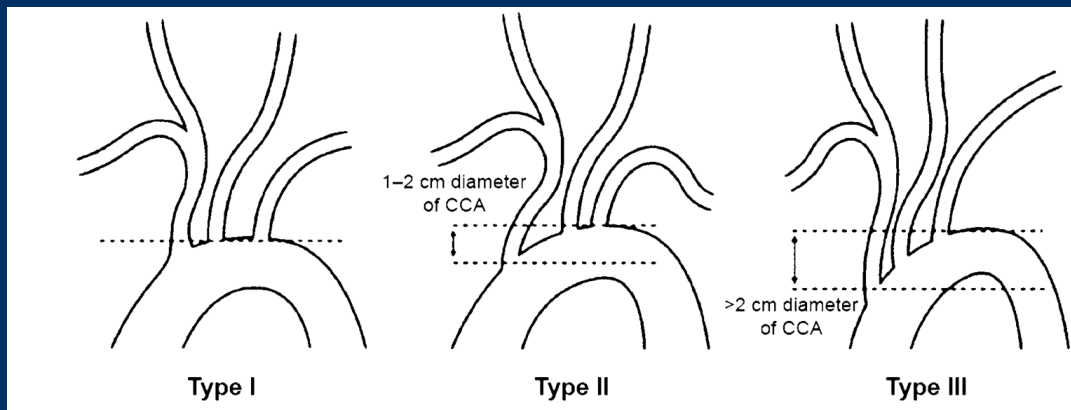
- 11 TIA
- 7 retinal stroke/amaurosis
- 31 stroke



# Study population

## Anatomical Features

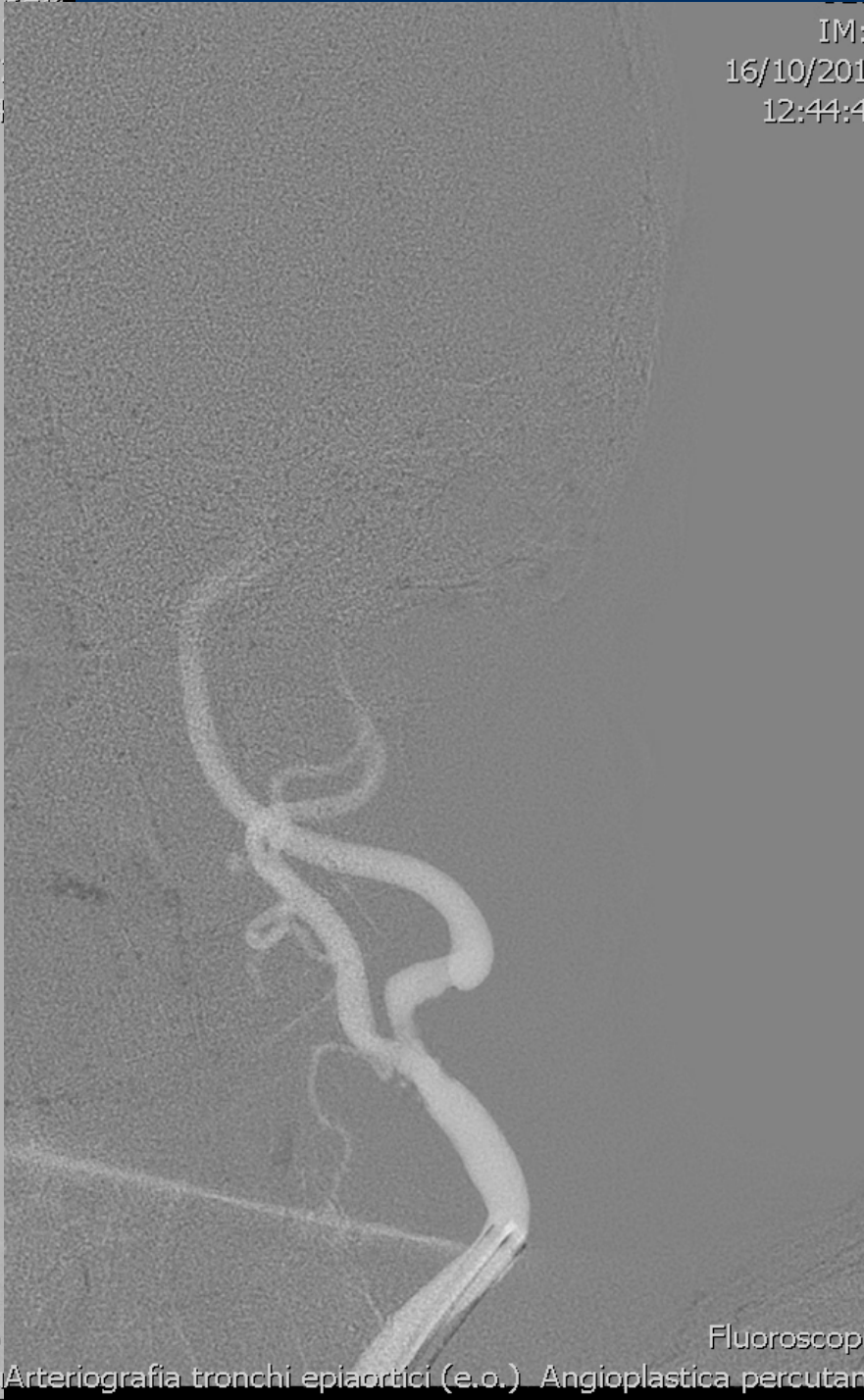
Characteristics	n (%)
Stenosis rate	81.7 ± 7.5
Significant calcification >50%	41 (22.4)
Hypoechoic plaque	39 (21.3)
Left side	91 (49.7)
Bovine arch	24 (13.1)
Type III arch	79 (43.2)
Contralateral ICA occlusion	12 (6.6)





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# Results

## intraoperative

- 3 (1.6%) Brachial access
- 180 (98.3%) Femoral access
- 19 (10.4%) Need for ECA cannulation
- 183 (100%) Distal protection filter
- 4 (2.1%) Predilatation

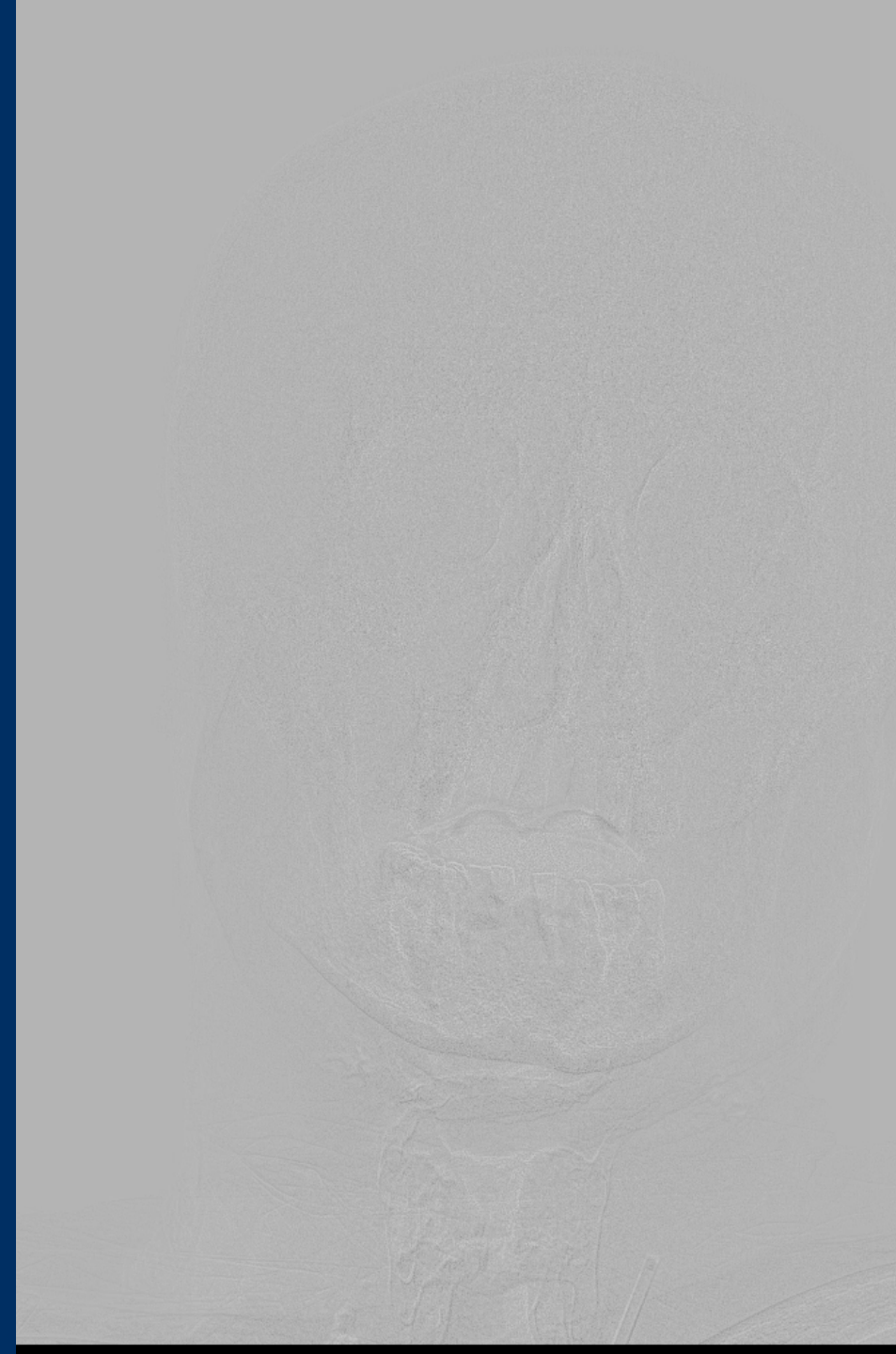
Failure to advance introducer sheath into CCA occurred in 2 patients during the whole study period -> excluded from study cohort



# Results

## procedures

Characteristics	Mean $\pm$ st.dev
Procedure time	33.6 $\pm$ 13.0
Fluoro time	11.2 $\pm$ 9.5
Contrast media	43.3 $\pm$ 16.2





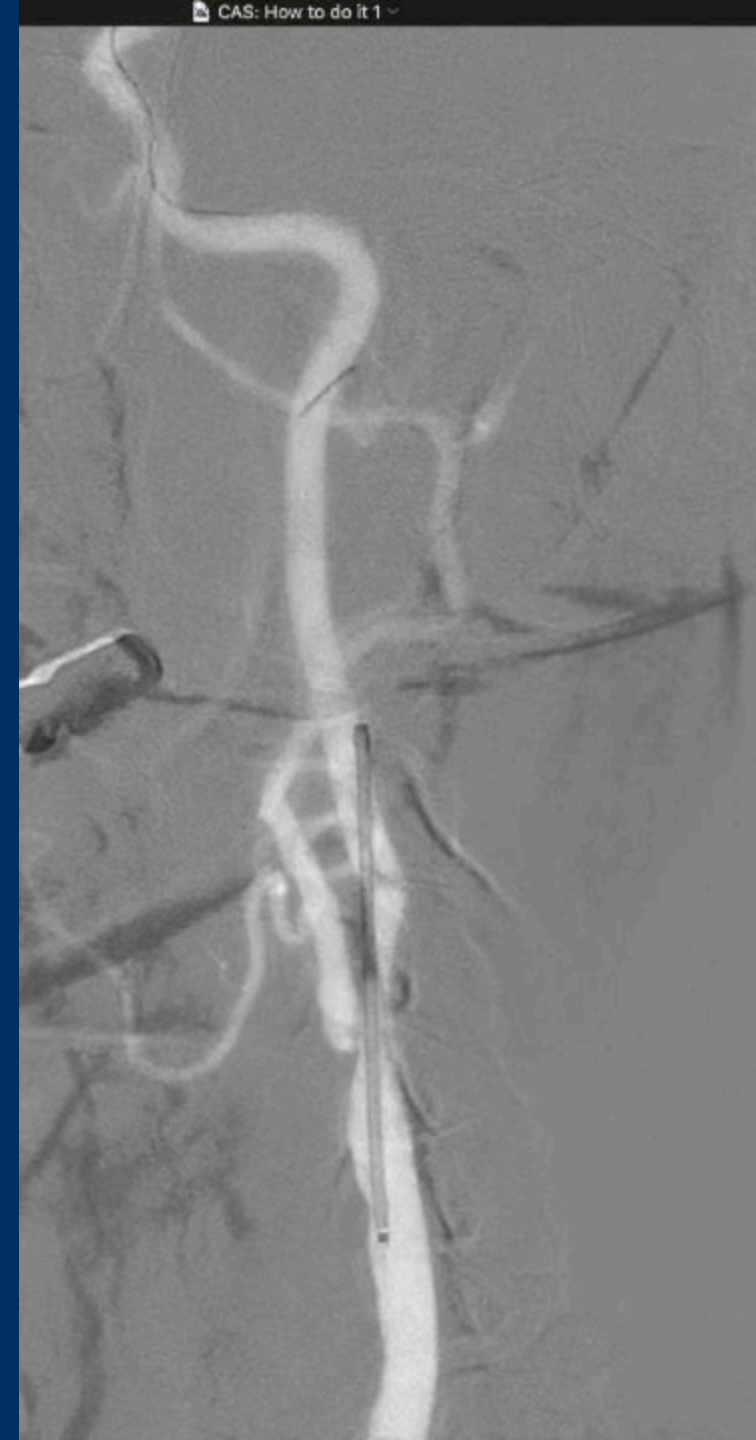
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Characteristics	n (%)
Technical success	182 (99.5)*
Residual stenosis >30%	0
Neurological complications**	1 (0.5) minor stroke 1 (0.5) TIA
Access complications	2 (1) surgical conversion

\*The only technical failure was due to impossible lesion crossing in a post-attinic stenosis.

Solved with repeated pre-dilatation and different stent usage (Wallstent)

\*\*0 complications in asymptomatic patients



# Results

## Follow up

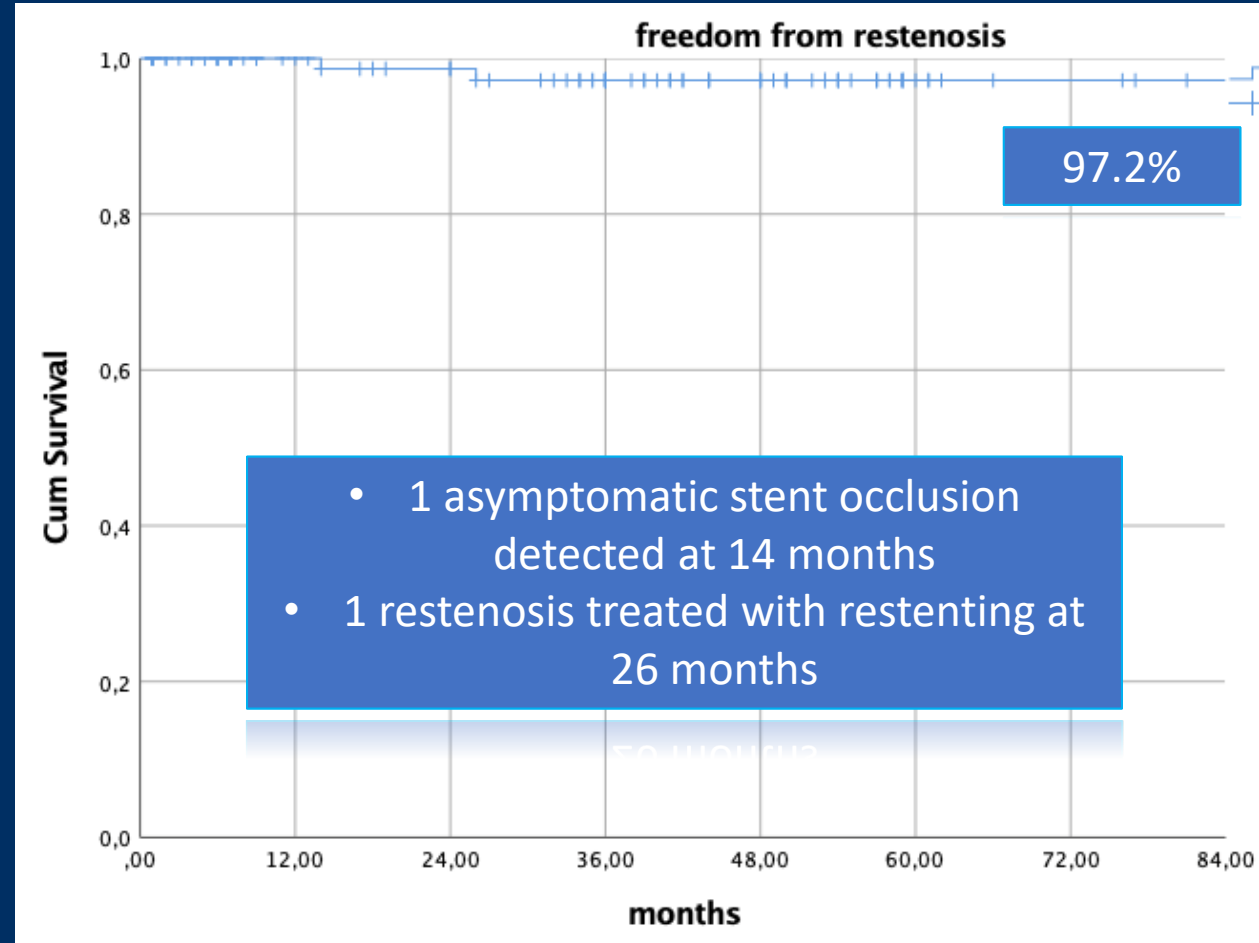
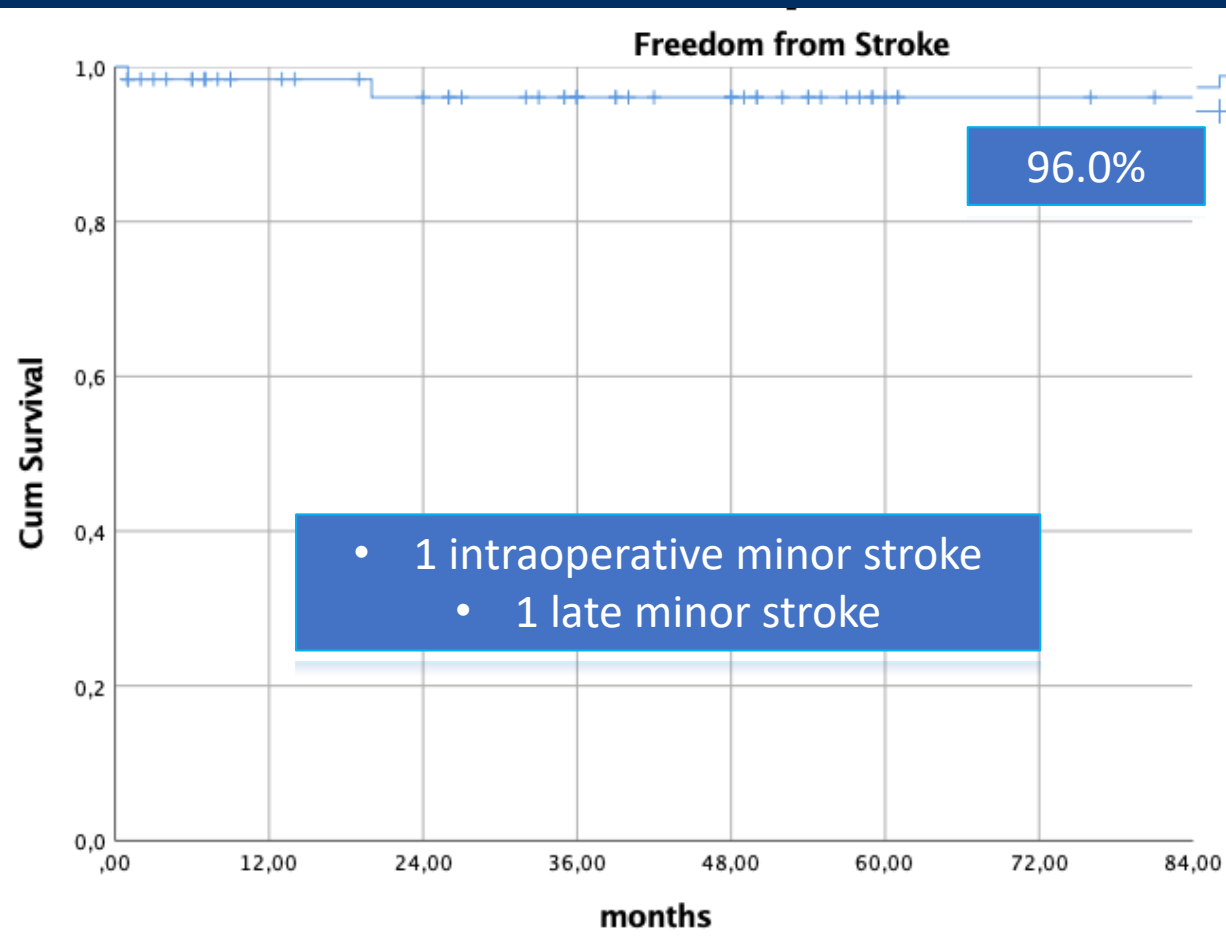
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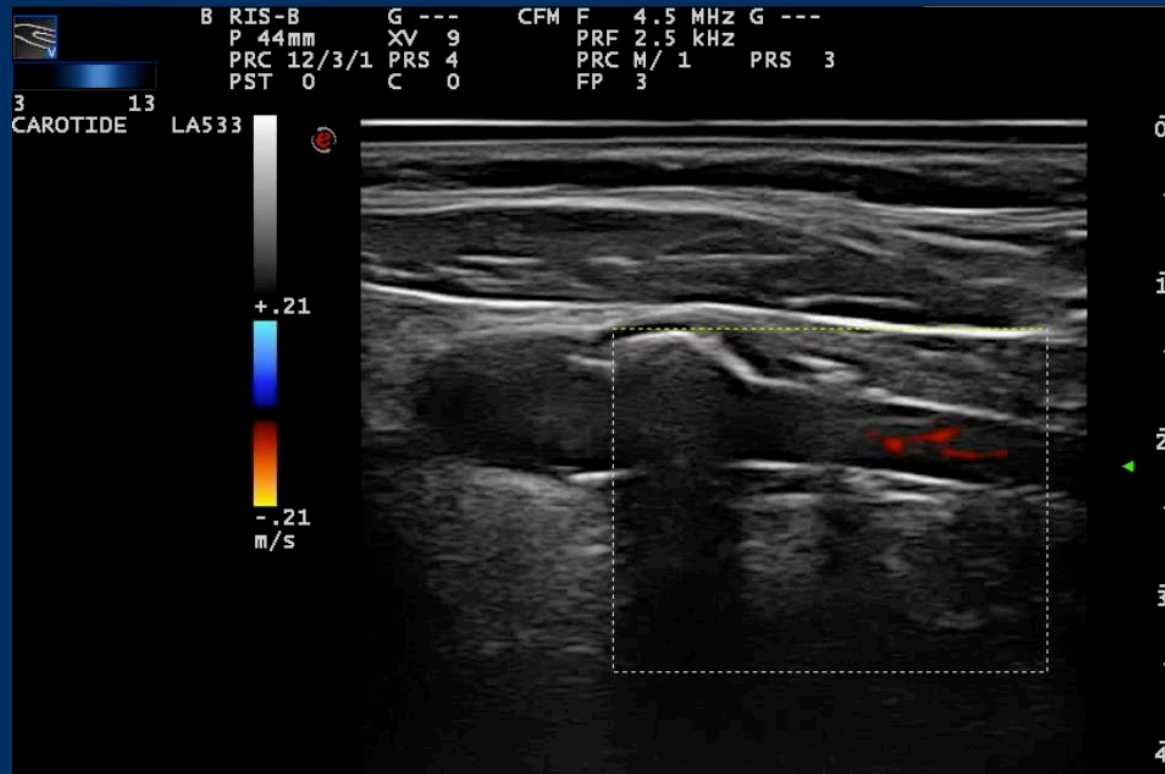
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# Conclusions

CGuard stent with EPS appears as an effective and safe device for the treatment of carotid artery stenosis with acceptable low perioperative neurologic events and durable patency rate. Larger multicenter and randomized studies are necessary to confirm its long-term efficacy.





Thanks for your attention