

Evaluation of PET Mesh Covered Stent in Patients with Carotid Artery Disease

The CARENET-Trial

(CARotid Embolic protection using microNET)

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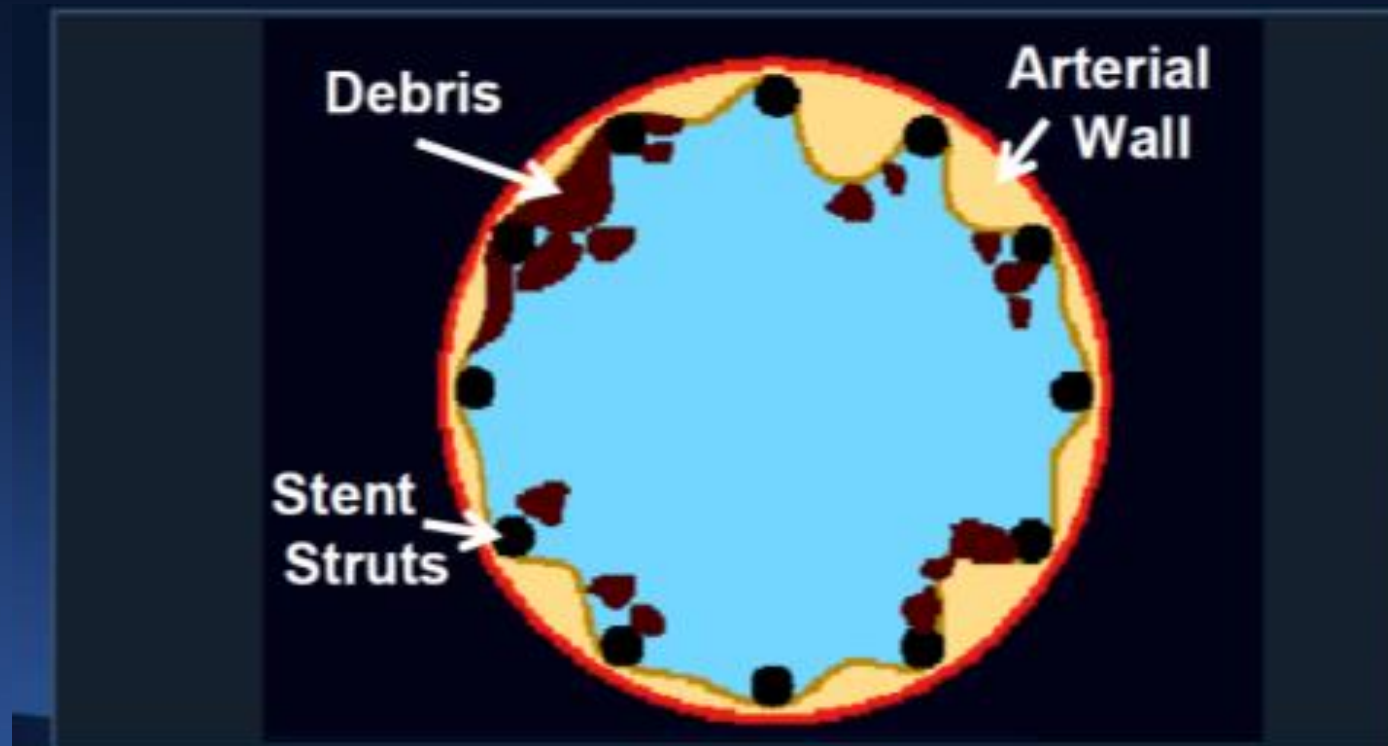
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Rationale of Technology

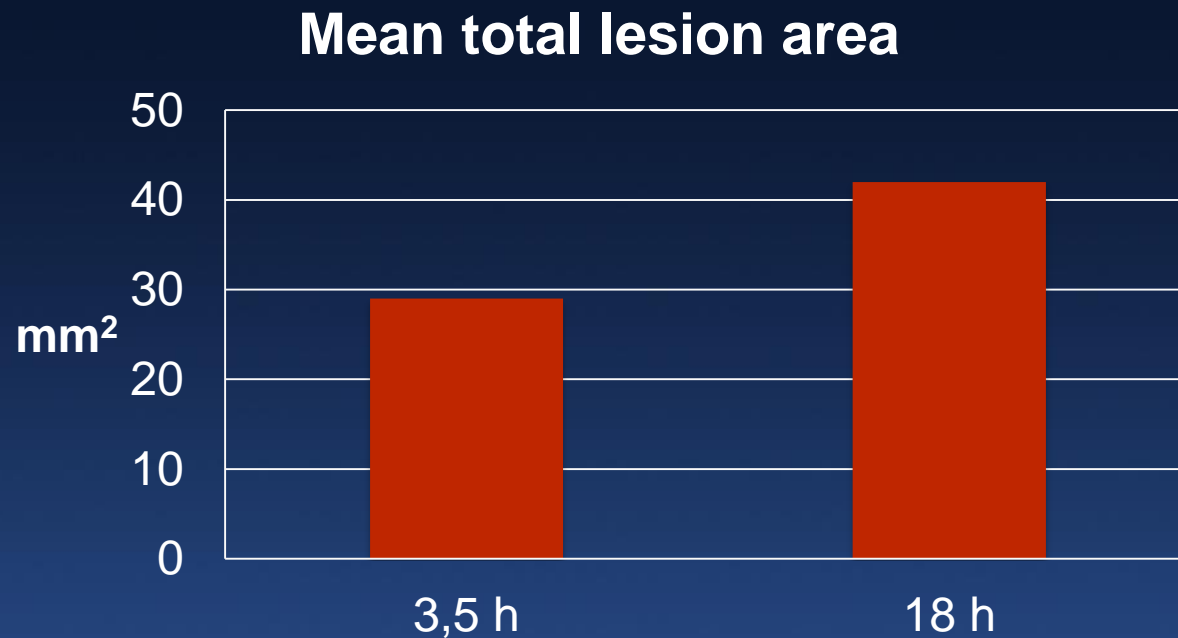
Conventional Carotid Stent

Plaque protrusion may lead to early and late distal embolization



Late Embolization

DW-MRI post CAS

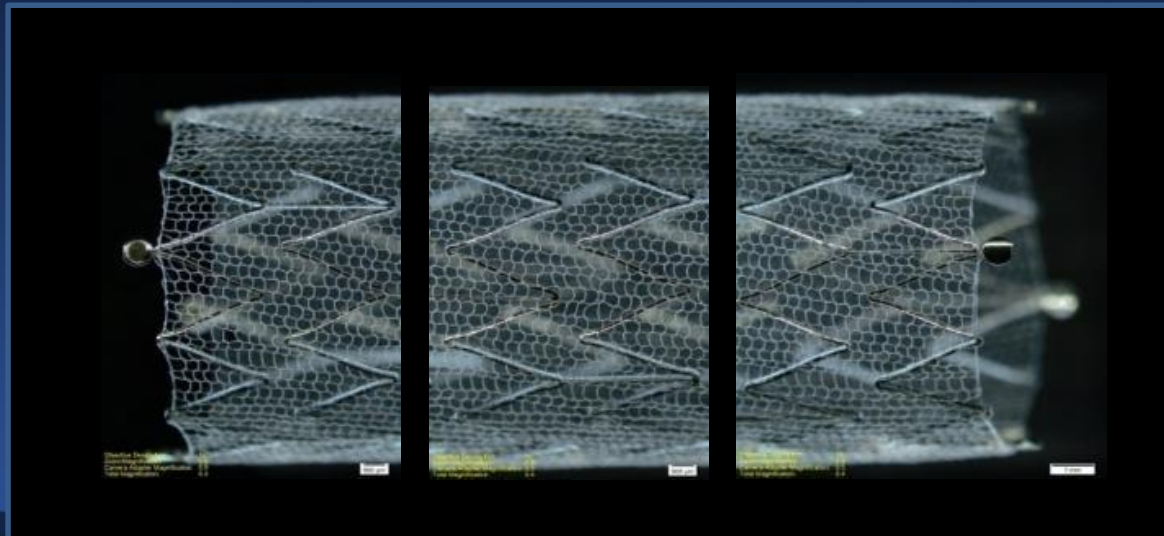


Schofer J et al, JACC Cardiovasc interv 2008

CGuard™ Carotid Embolic Prevention System Specifications

Device Features

Stent type	Nitinol Self-Expanding
MicroNet Aperture Size	150-180μ
Guidewire	0.014"
Foreshortening	<10%
Sizes	Diameter(6mm-10mm) x Length (20mm – 60mm)
Delivery System (OD)	6F (2.1mm)



CGuard™ CARENET (CARotid Embolic protection using microNET) Trial Design

- **Study Design:**

- Prospective, multi-center, multi-specialty, international, open label, single arm, non-randomized clinical trial in patients with symptomatic and asymptomatic carotid artery stenosis

- **Objectives:**

- To evaluate the periprocedural safety and efficacy of the CGuard™ system in the treatment of carotid lesions in 30 consecutive patients suitable for carotid artery stenting (CAS)

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- **Study Population:**
 - Symptomatic pts (w/ history of a transient ischemic attack, stroke, or amaurosis fugax within the last 6 mos on the ipsilateral side) w/carotid stenosis $\geq 50\%$
 - Asymptomatic pts w/ carotid stenosis $\geq 80\%$ both as diagnosed by angiography using NASCET methodology
- **Primary Endpoint:**
 - 30 day MACE (death, stroke, MI)
- **Key secondary Endpoints:**
 - Technical success
 - Periprocedural complications (including device-related)
 - Incidence, number and volume of new lesions assessed by DW MRI during pre-procedure, 24-48 hours post-procedure, and at 30 days (+/- 3 days)
 - Peak systolic velocity (PSV) and end diastolic velocity (EDV) assessment by ultrasound examination at 30 days, 6 mos, and 1 year

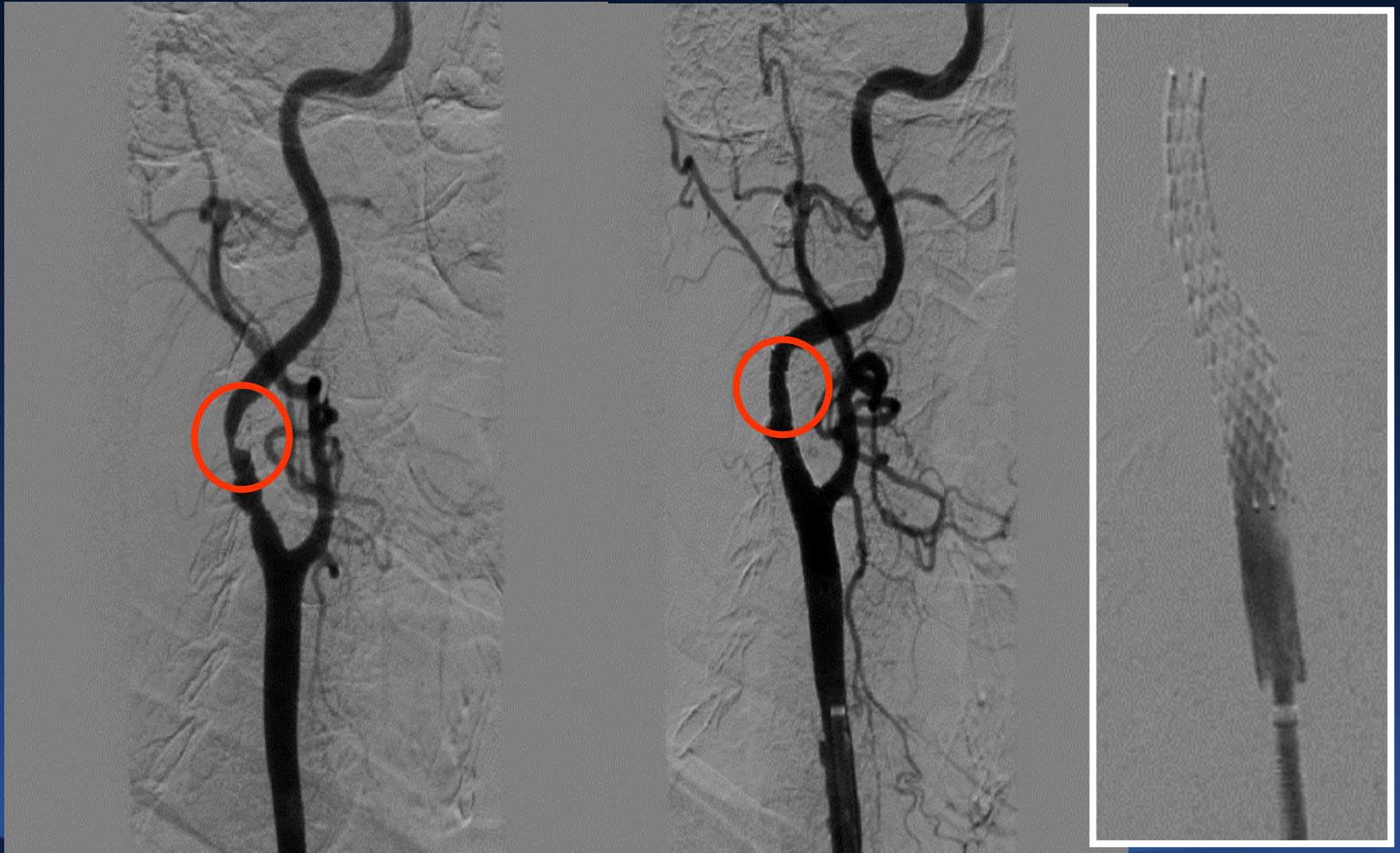
Baseline Characteristics (n=30)

Age	71.6 ±7.6
Male	63.4%
Symptomatic	33.3% (10)
BMI (kg/m ²)	26.4 ± 3.9
Hypertension	83.3% (25)
Dyslipidemia	90% (27)
Diabetics	23.3% (7)
Smoker:	
Current	13.4% (4)
Former	36.6% (11)
Prior MI	26.7% (8)
Prior TIA	13.3% (4)

Procedure Results

Femoral access	100% (30)
Target vessel	
Left ICA	33.3% (10)
Right ICA	66.6% (20)
Protection used	100%
Distal protection	96.6% (29)
Proximal protection	3.4% (1)
Pre dilatation	70.9% (22)
Post dilatation	77.4% (24)
Post dilatation Pressure (ATM)	13.6 \pm 4.5
Device success	100% (30)
Stent deployed	100% (30)
Stent diameter (Mean)	8.23mm \pm 0.8
Stent length (Mean)	34.8 mm \pm 5.0
Second stent used	3.33% (1)

Pre & Post Procedure Carotid Angiogram in Patient with right ICA Stenosis



Clinical Outcomes

	Post Procedure	Discharge	30 days
Device success	100%	NA	NA
MACE	0%	0%	0%
Death	0%	0%	0%
MI	0%	0%	0%
Stroke	0%	0%	0%

Angiographic Assessment

	Baseline	Final
Lesion location (internal)	100%	NA
Lesion length (mm)	16.94±4.7	NA
RVD (mm)	6.18	5.89
MLD (mm)	1.25	4.82
Diameter stenosis (%)	79.9%±5.0%	16.9%±6.5% (in stent)
ECA stenosis (%)	18.0%	22.1%
TIMI flow in ECA		
Normal	100.0%	100.0%

CARENET with Distal Protection

DW-MRI @ 24-48 hrs

	CARENET CGuard with only Distal EPD (N=26*)
Incidence of New Lesions	46%
Lesions (per patient)	1.62 \pm 2.68
Volume (per patient)	0.061 \pm 0.11 cm ³

- **3 pts unable to undergo MRI (1 = pacemaker; 2 = claustrophobia)*
- *1 pt with proximal protection had 78 new lesions. New ischemic lesions had no clinical or neurological impact, all lesions been resolved at 30 days.*

CARENET Comparison

DW-MRI @ 24-48 hrs

	CARENET (Filter group) N=26	PROFI ¹ (Filter group) N=31	ICSS ² (Filter group) N=37
Incidence of New Lesions	48%	87%	73%
Avg Lesion Volume	0.06 cm ³	0.59 cm ³	NA

¹ JACC, April 2012

² Lancet, March 2010

Conclusions

- CARENET trial demonstrated the safety of the CGuard™ Technology with zero MACCE at 30 days
- The procedural success was 100%
- Compared to published DW-MRI data of non-mesh covered carotid stents, the incidence of new ischemic lesions was reduced by almost 50% and the average lesion volume per patient 10 times smaller
- These initial clinical results suggest that the MicroNet™ covered CGuard™ offers unique clinical benefits for patients undergoing CAS