

SIVEC 2019: New data in carotid disease

CGuard MicroNET-Covered Embolic Prevention Stent: State of the Art

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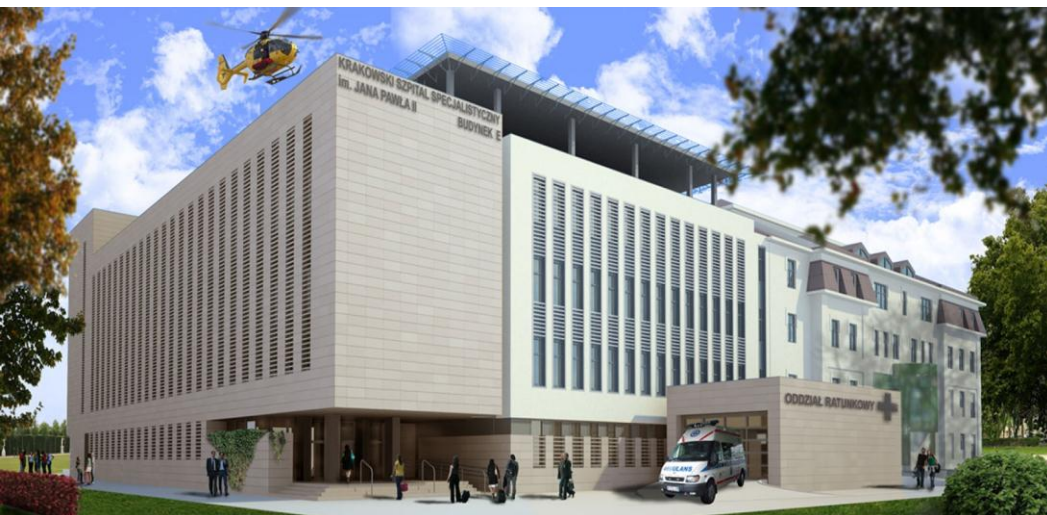
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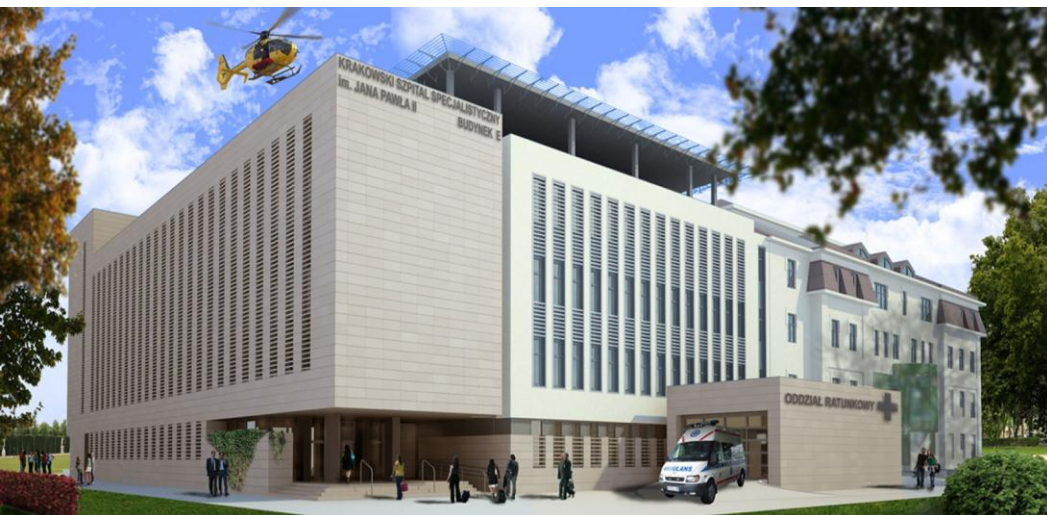
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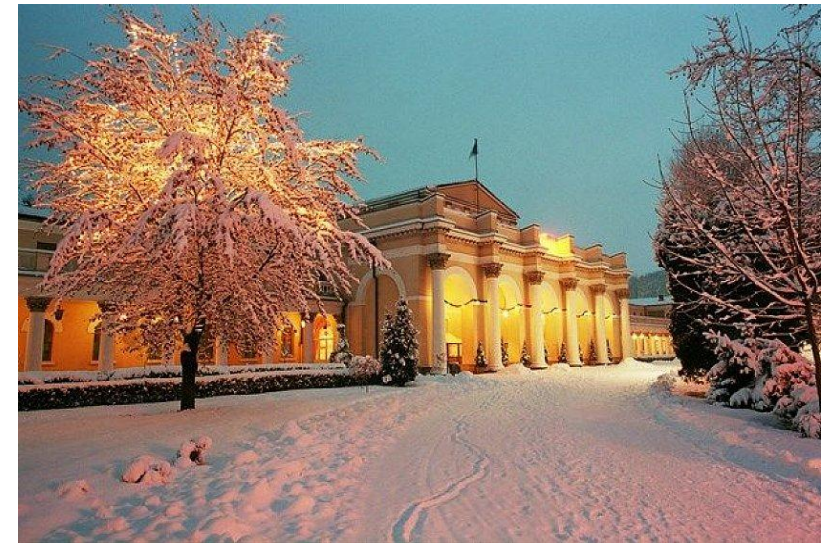
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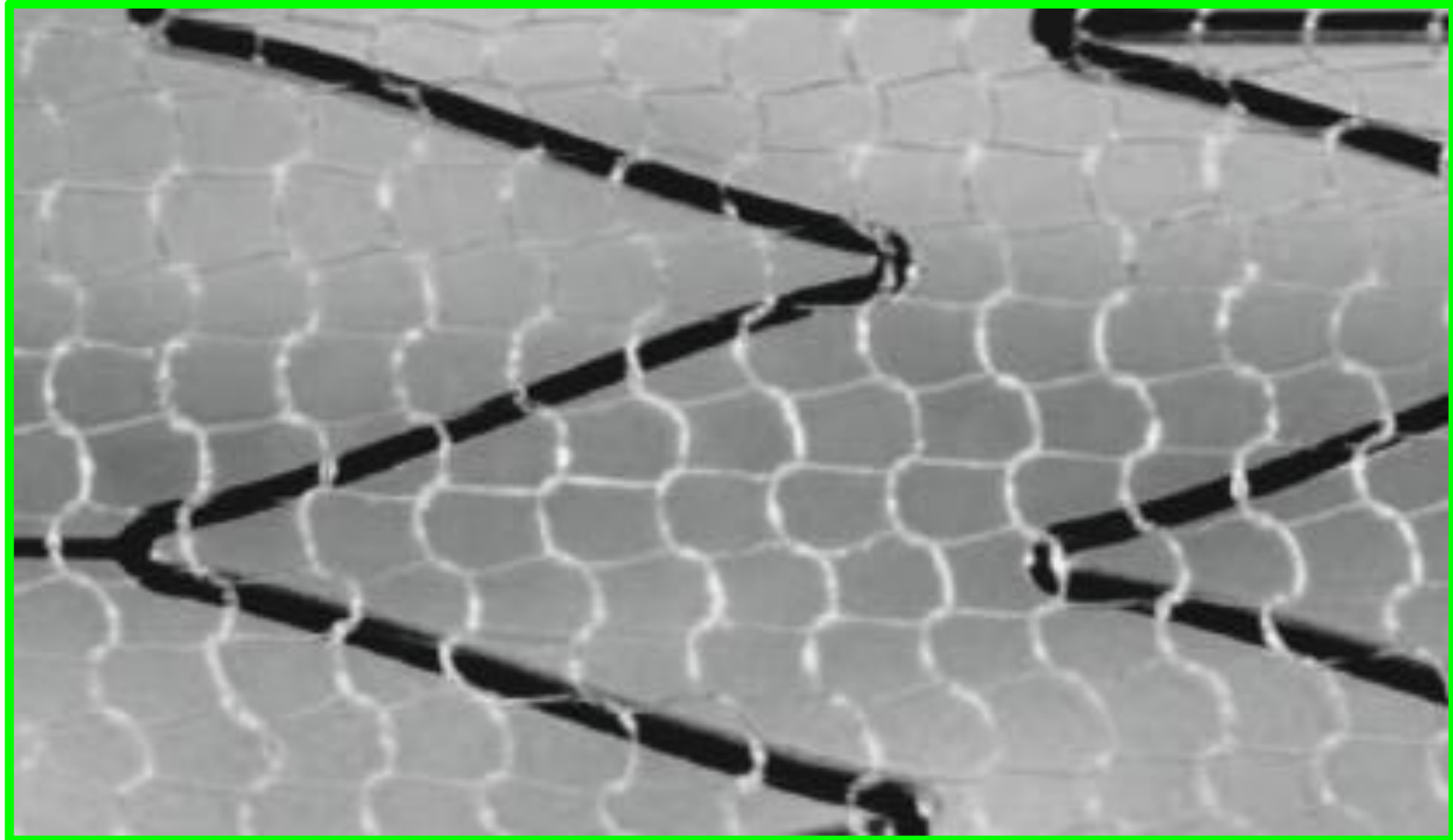
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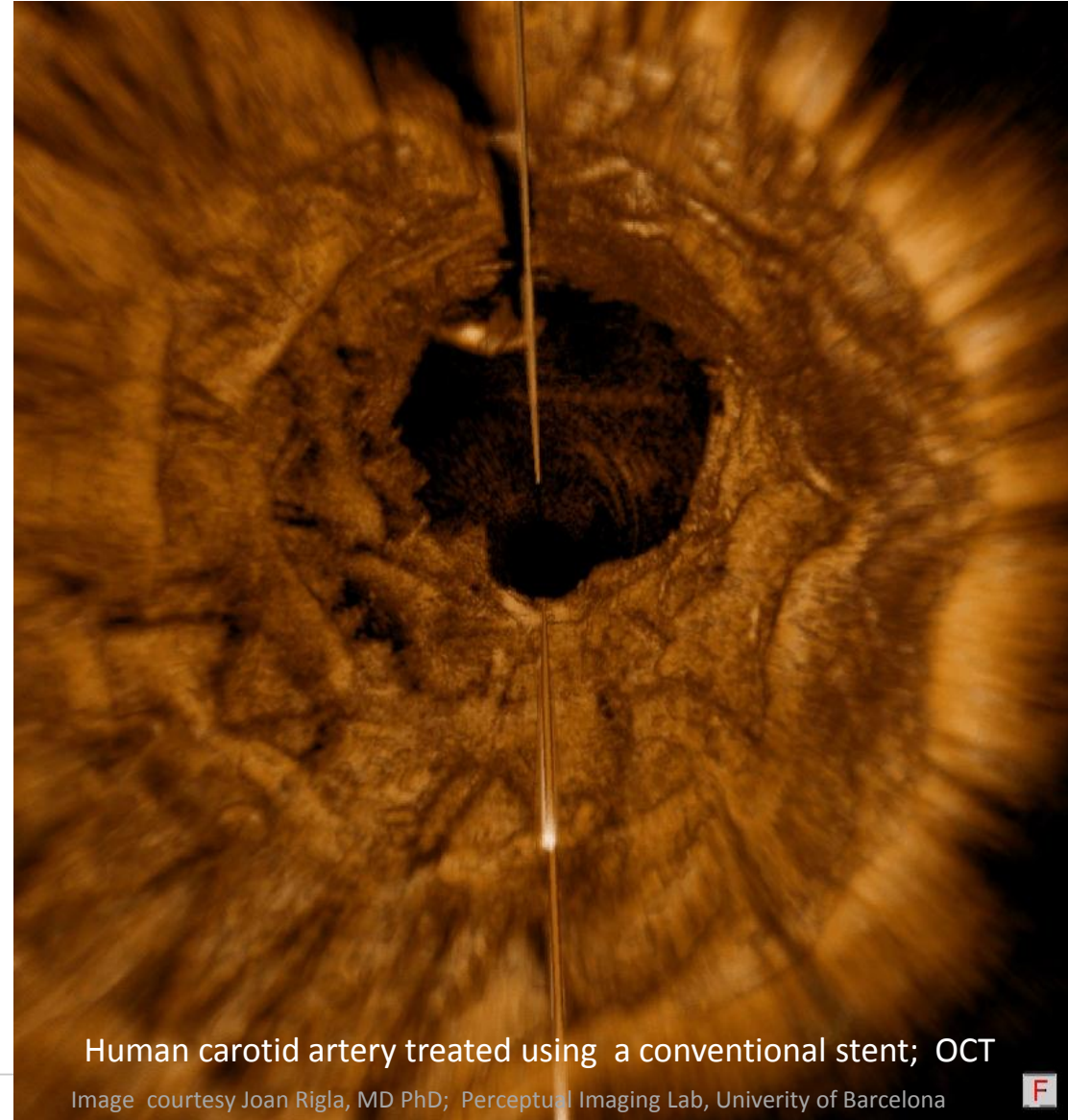
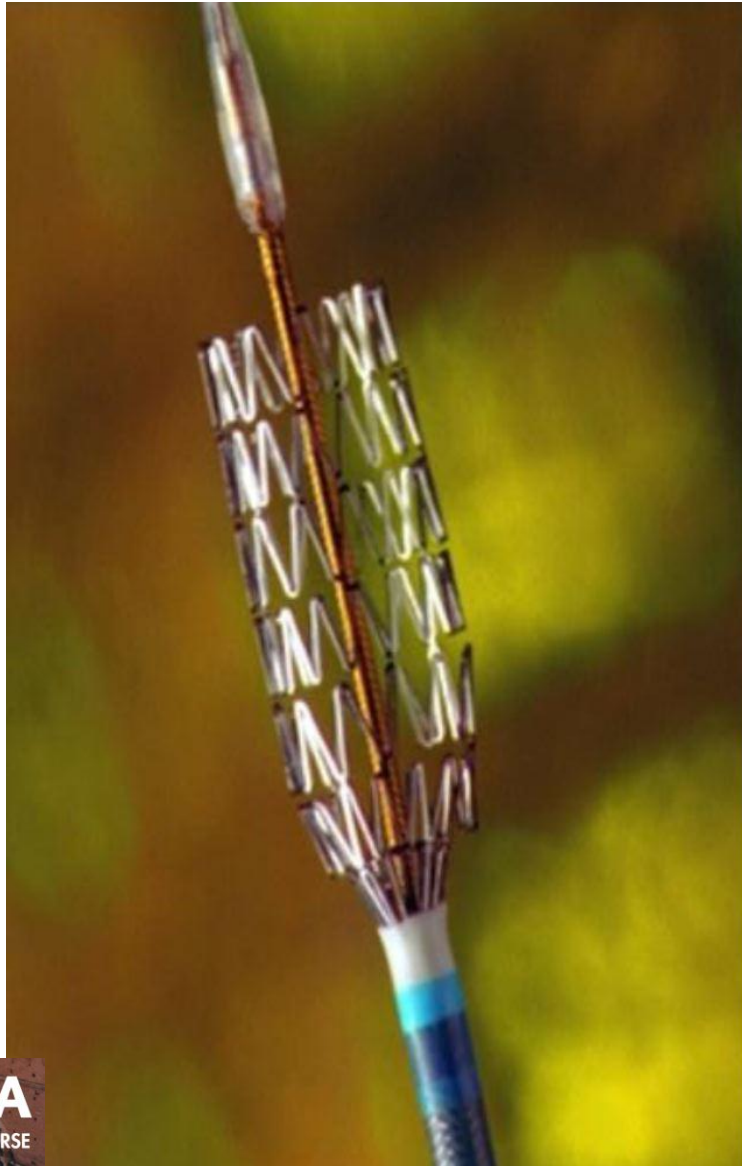
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CGuard



Conventional Carotid Stents

Do Have A Problem



Human carotid artery treated using a conventional stent; OCT

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Conventional Carotid Stents Do Have A Problem

This translates into post-procedural
minor strokes
during the stent healing (≈ 30 days)

(CREST, CAPTURE)

$\approx 40\%$ 30d-strokes are post-procedural

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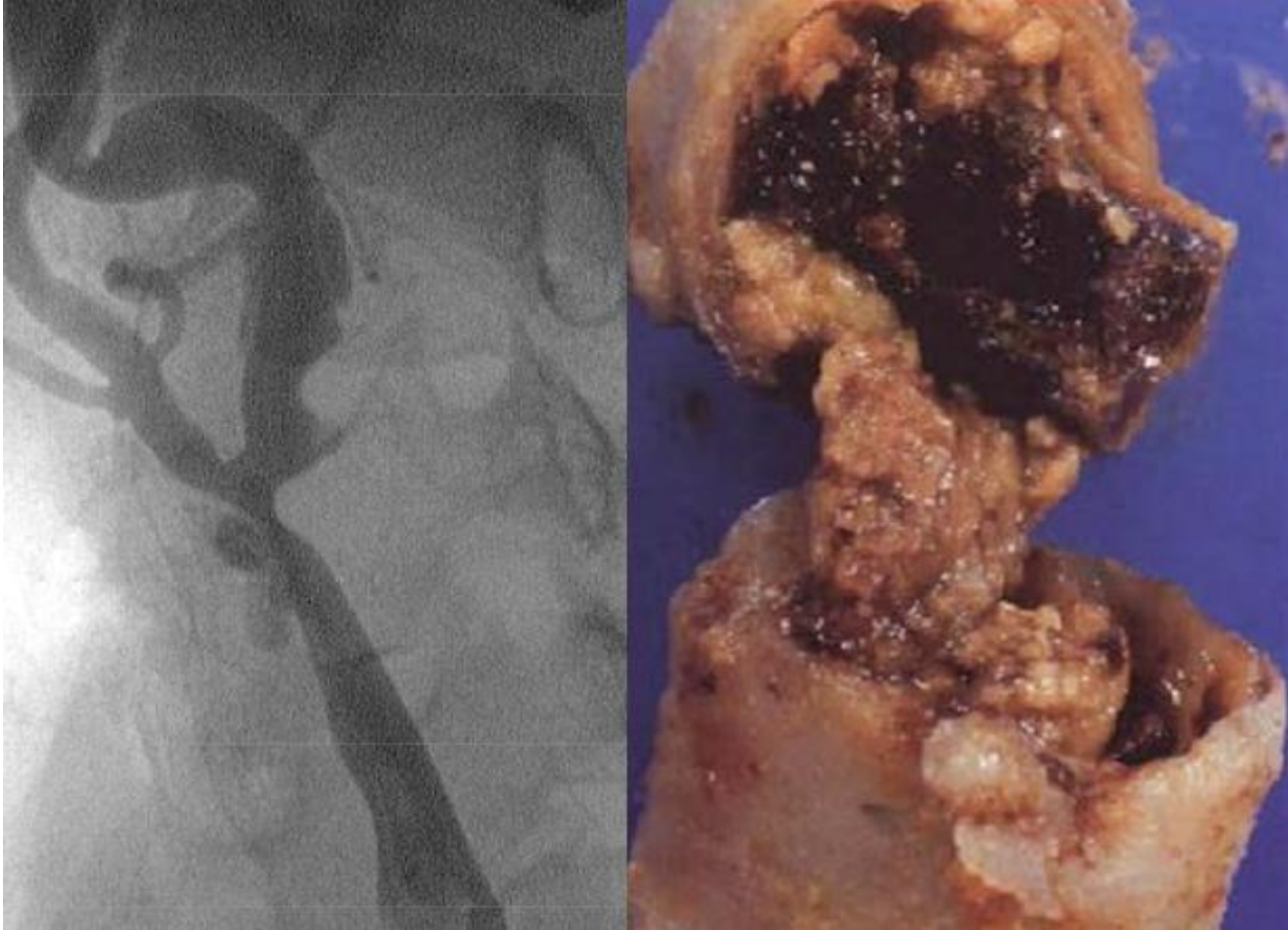
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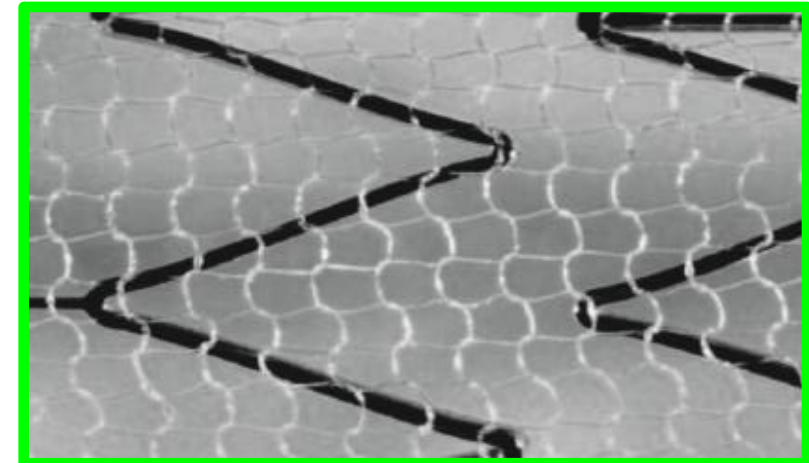


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CAROTID PLAQUE SEQUESTRATION

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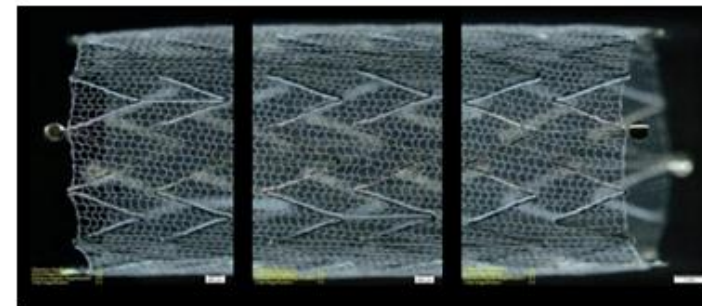


CGuard™ – Carotid Embolic Prevention System

System specifications	
Stent type	Nitinol – self expanding
Micronet aperture size	150-180 μm
Guidewire	0.014"
Sizes	
- Diameter	6-10mm
- Length	20-60mm



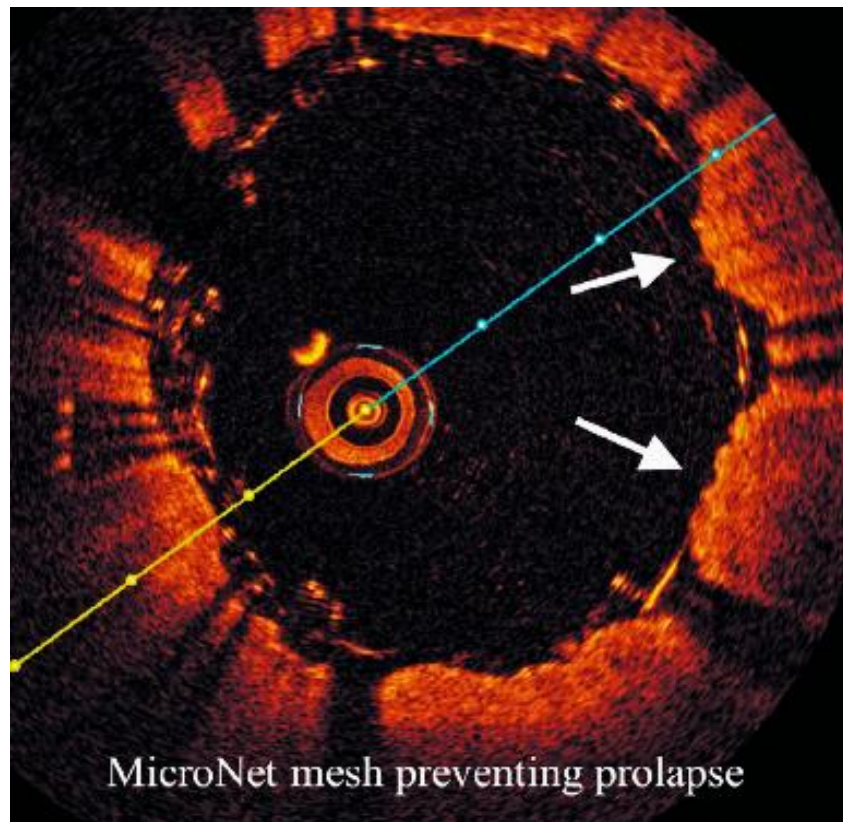
carotid-dedicated design



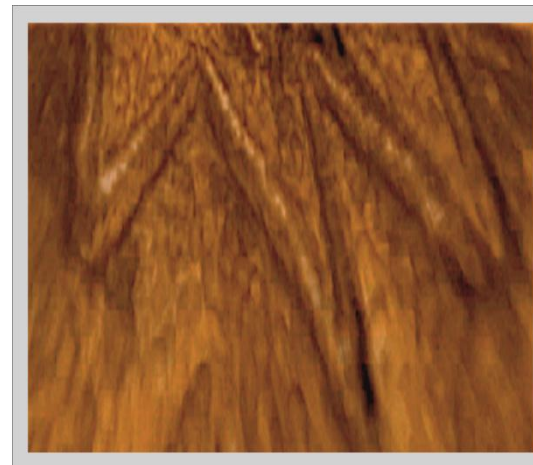
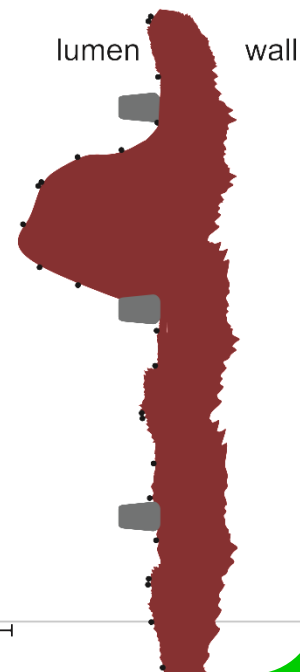
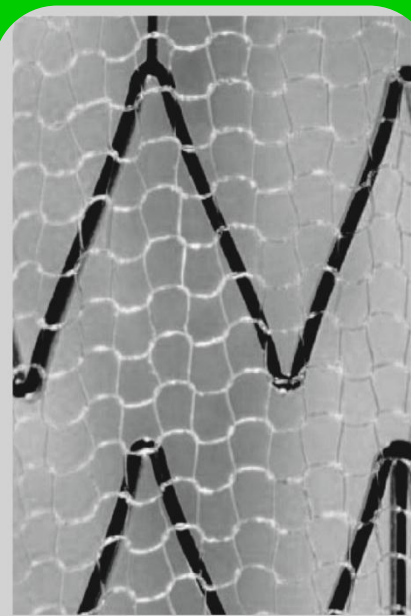
Nitinol frame open-cell area $\approx 21 \text{ mm}^2$
MicroNet closed-cell area $\approx 0.3 \text{ mm}^2$

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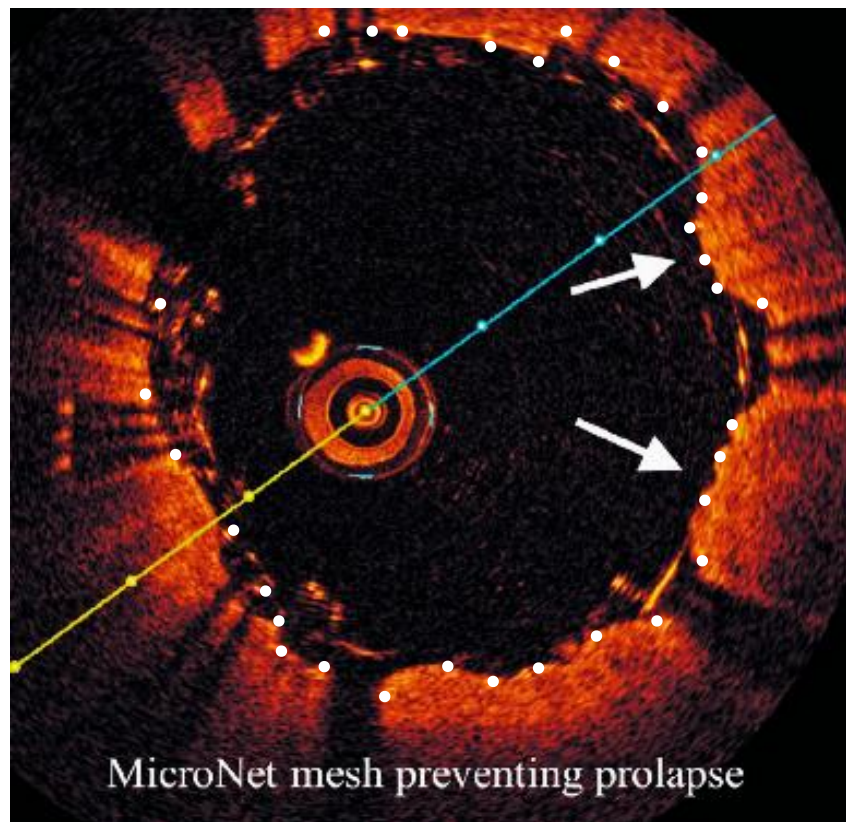




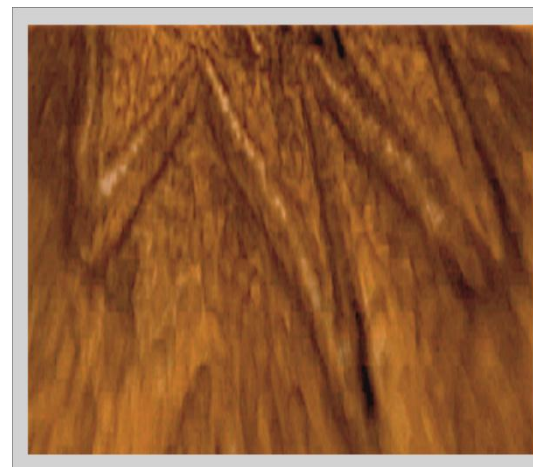
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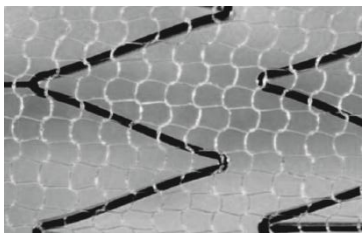
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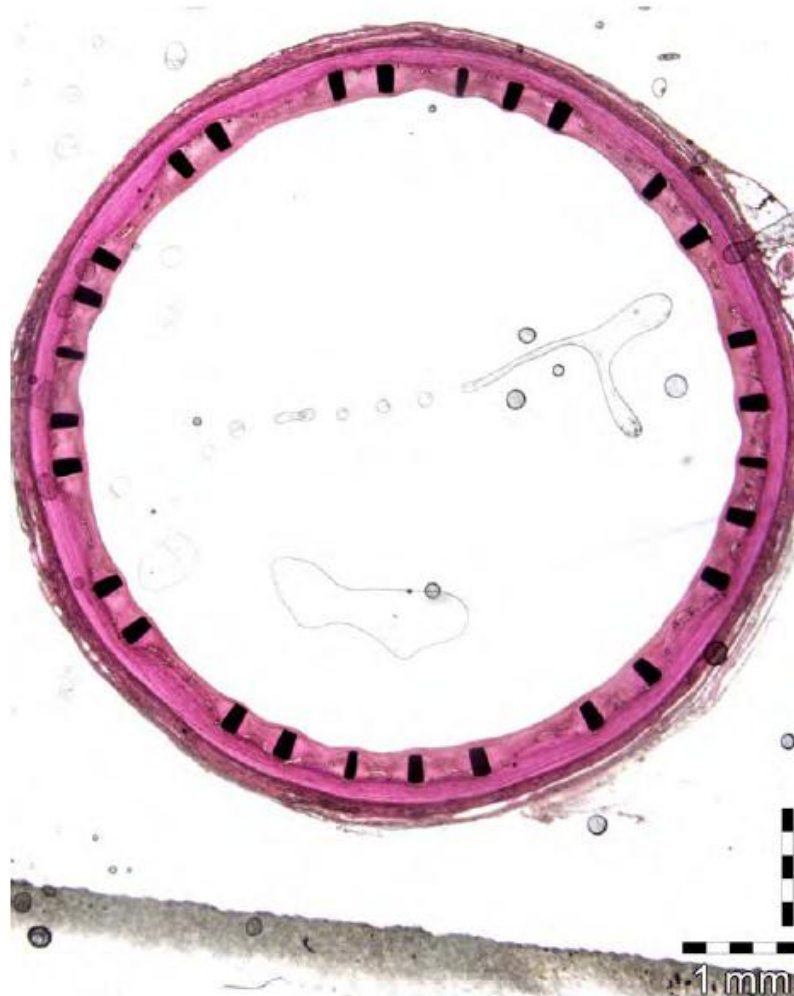
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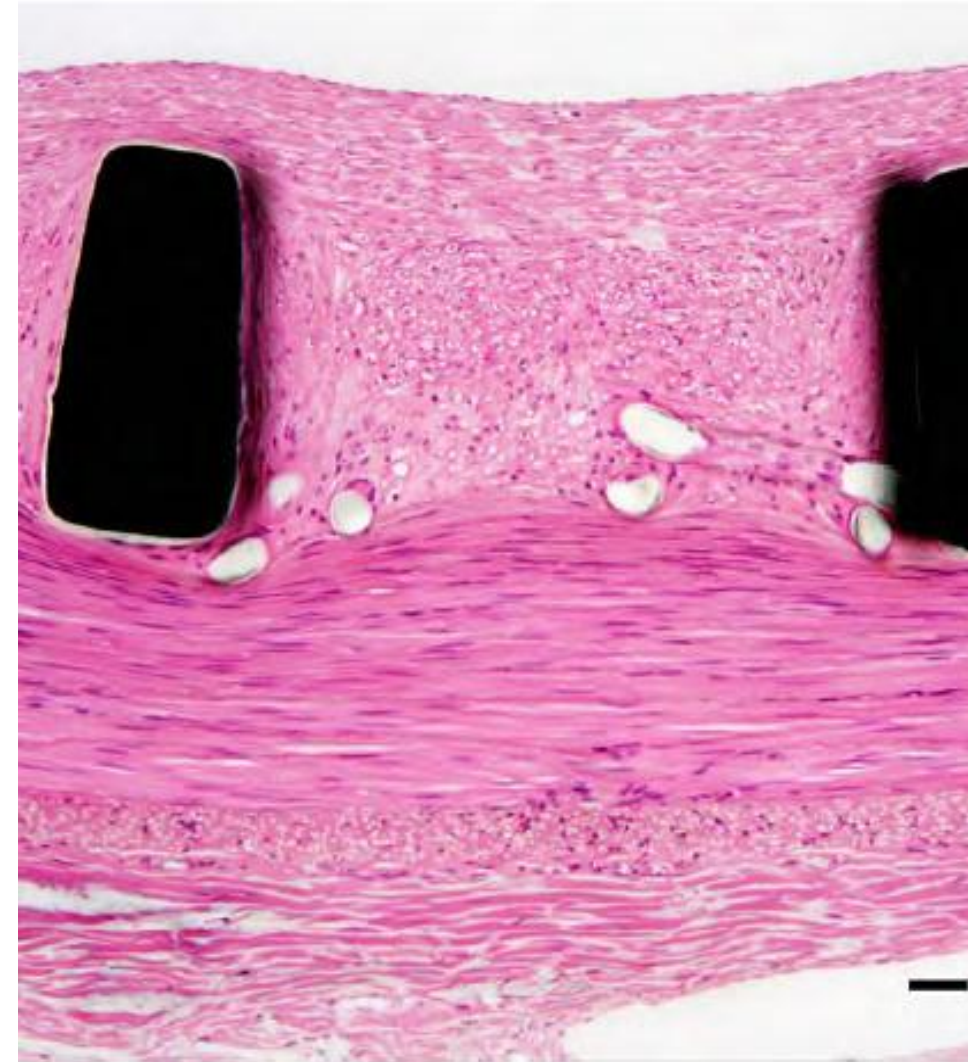
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CGuard EPS 90 days/pig

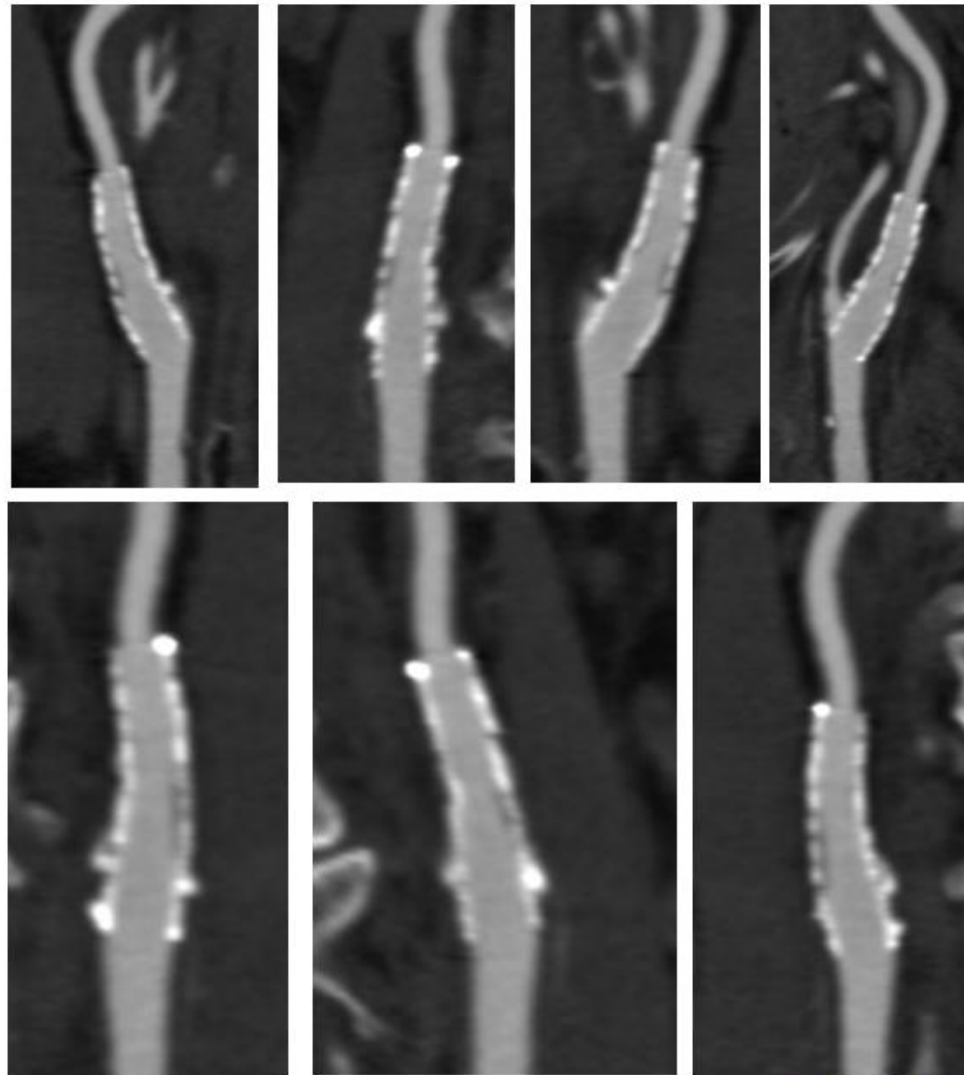


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CGuard: Normal Healing Profile



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clinical

Evidence

10⁺ studies

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

**CGuard****The CGuard CARENET Trial****(Carotid Embolic Protection Using MicroNet)****30d data**

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**Per-Protocol DW-MRI cerebral imaging
at B/L, 24-48h after CAS, and at 30 days**

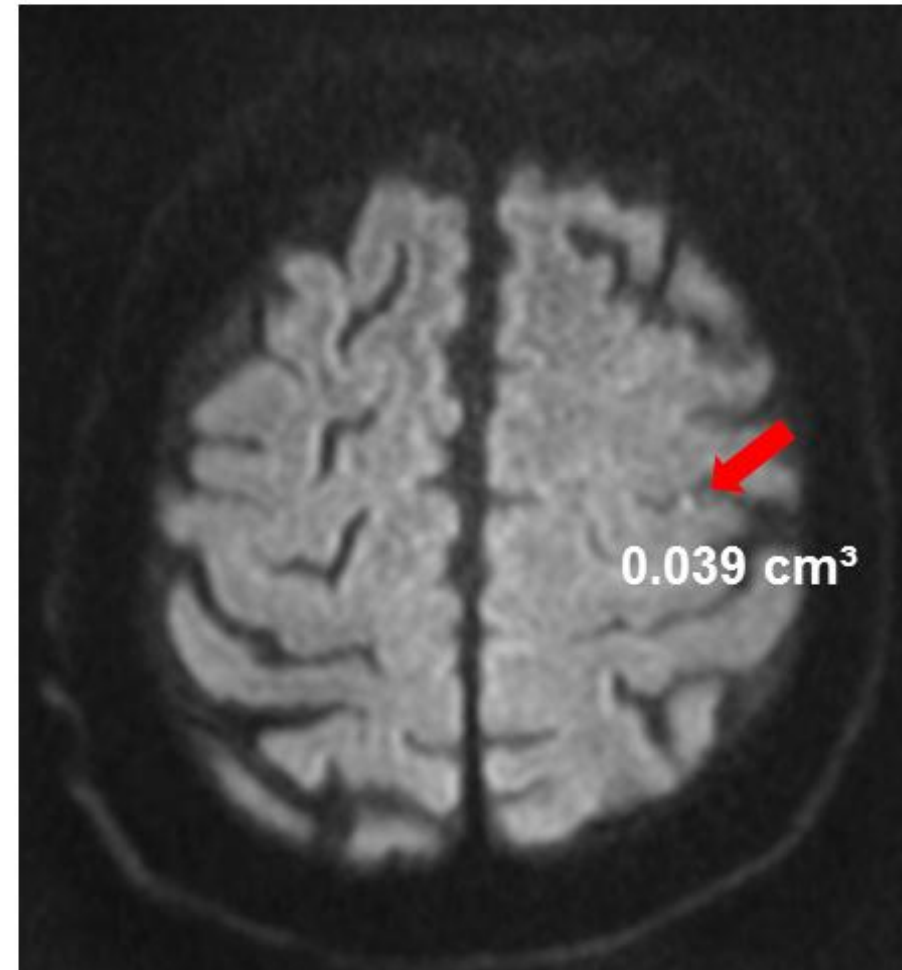
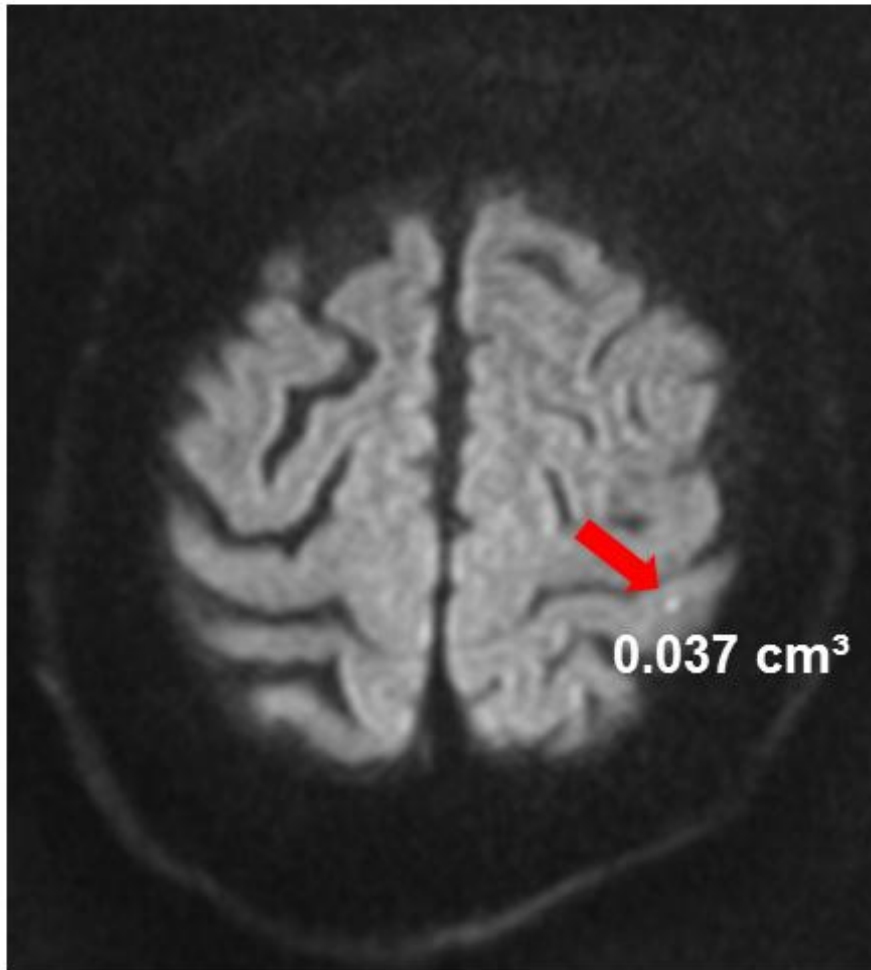
ABSTRACT

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METHODS A total of 30 consecutive patients (age 71.6 ± 7.6 years, 63% male) meeting the conventional carotid artery stenting inclusion criteria were enrolled in 4 centers in Germany and Poland.

The Power of DW-MRI...



48h after LICA-CAS

M. Urbanczyk, P. Banys, Dept. Radiology, JP2 Hospital, Krakow, Poland

CGuard™ CAS EVIDENCE

- Intra-procedural cerebral embolization is minimized
- Post-procedural cerebral embolization is eliminated

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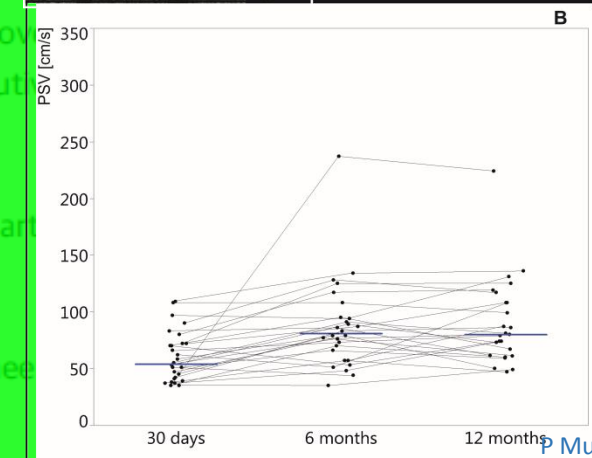
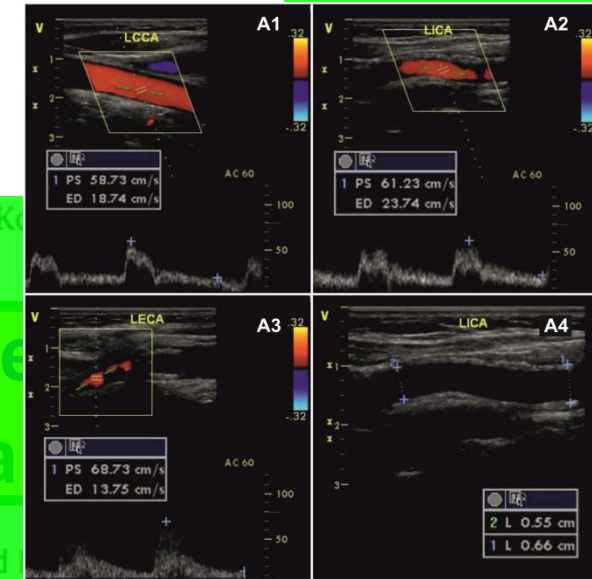
- No stroke(s)/TIA(s)

- No ISR

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PARADIGM-Extend = Prospective evaluation of All-comer peRcutaneous cArotiD revascularization in symptomatic and Increased-stroke-risk asymptomatic carotid artery stenosis using CGuard™ Micronet-covered embolic prevention stent system – clinical trial multi-centre extension

■ **EuroIntervention** 2016;12-online publish-ahead-of-print May 2016

CLINICAL RESEARCH



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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The PARADIGM Study



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TRIALS

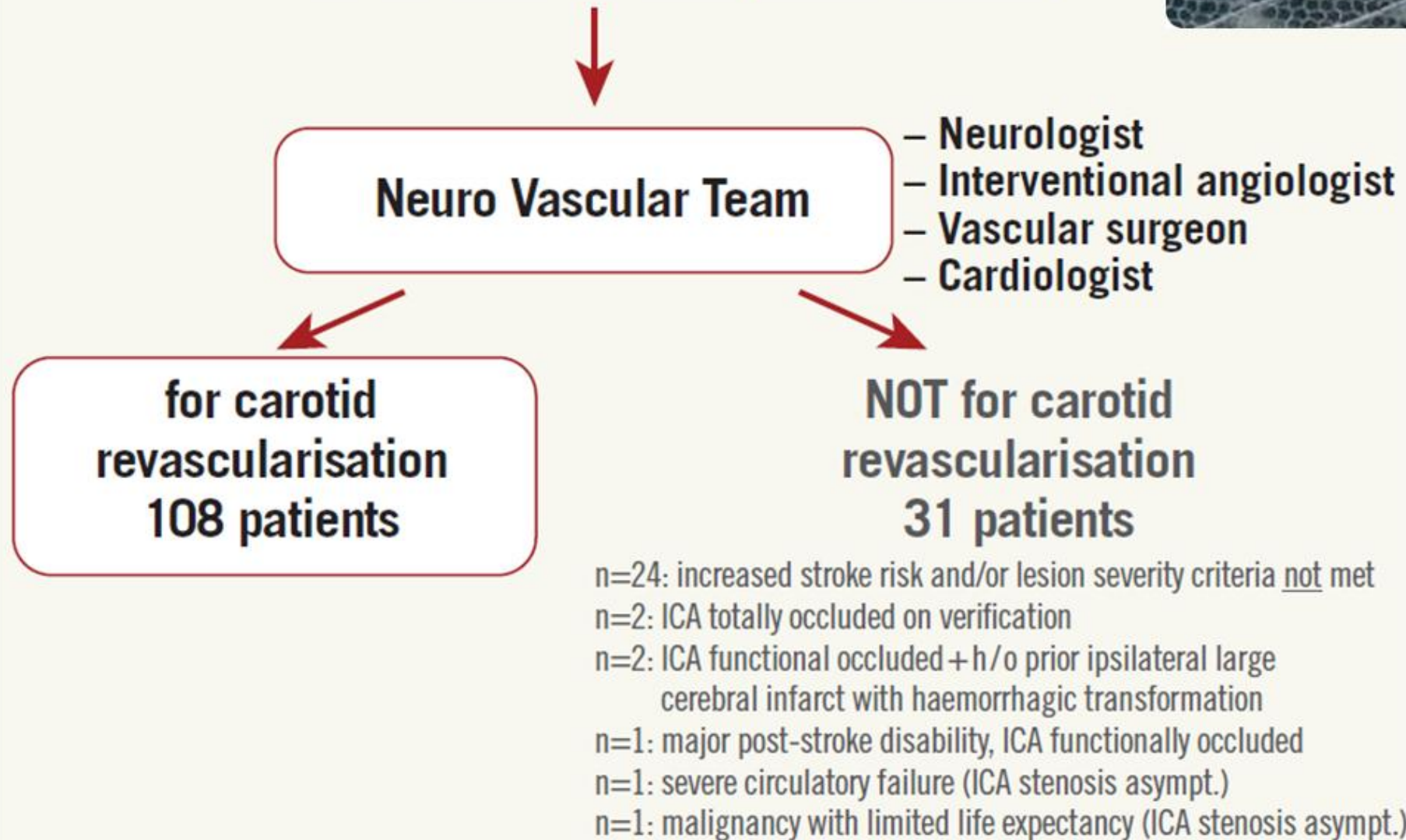


Objective

- to evaluate feasibility and outcome of routine anti-embolic stent system use in unselected, consecutive patients referred for carotid revascularization ('all-comer' study)

PARADIGM study: referrals flow chart

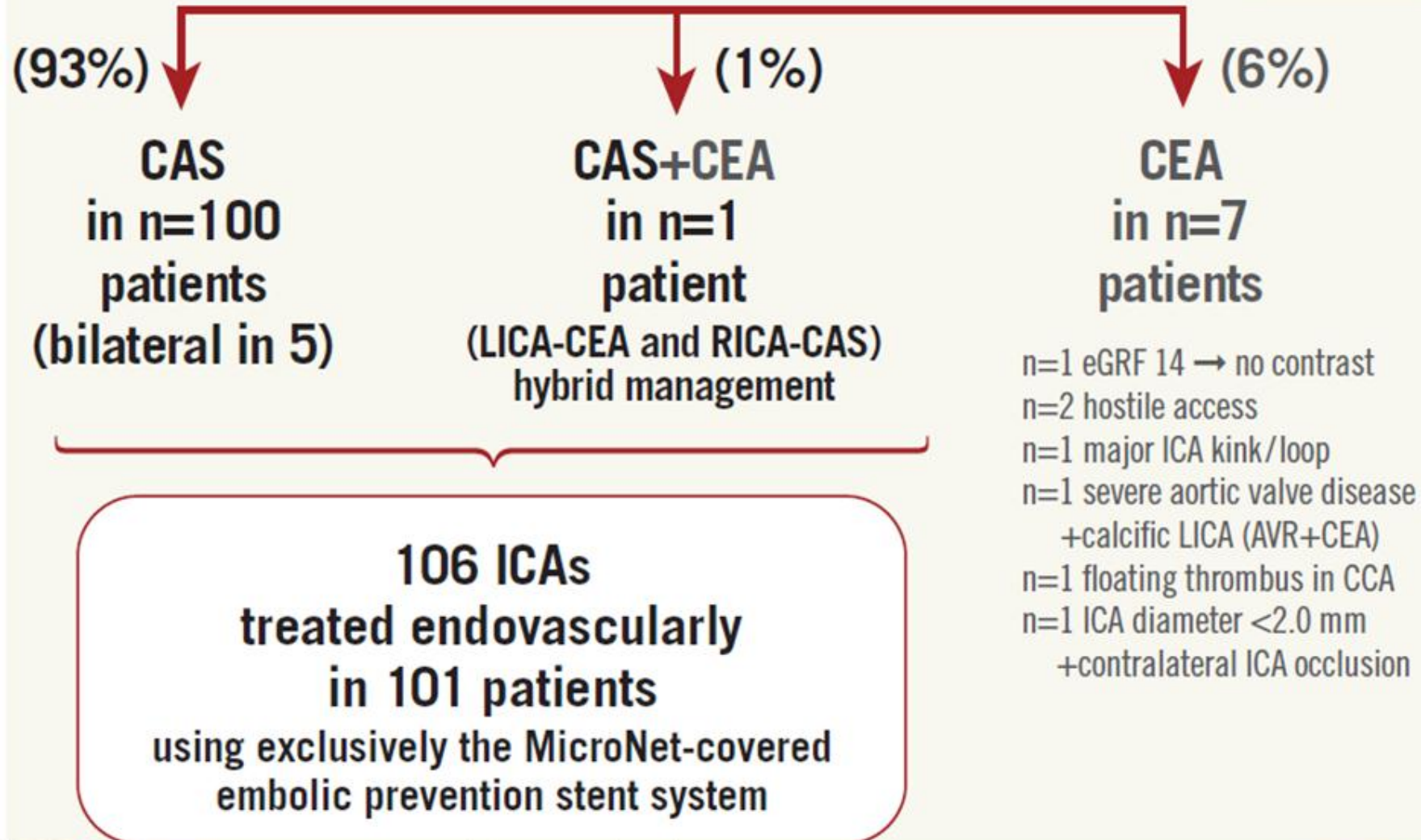
139 carotid stenosis patient referrals



P. Musialek, A. Mazurek et al. *EuroIntervention* 2016;12:e658-70

PARADIGM study: revascularisation flow chart

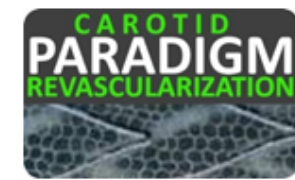
108 patients for carotid revascularisation



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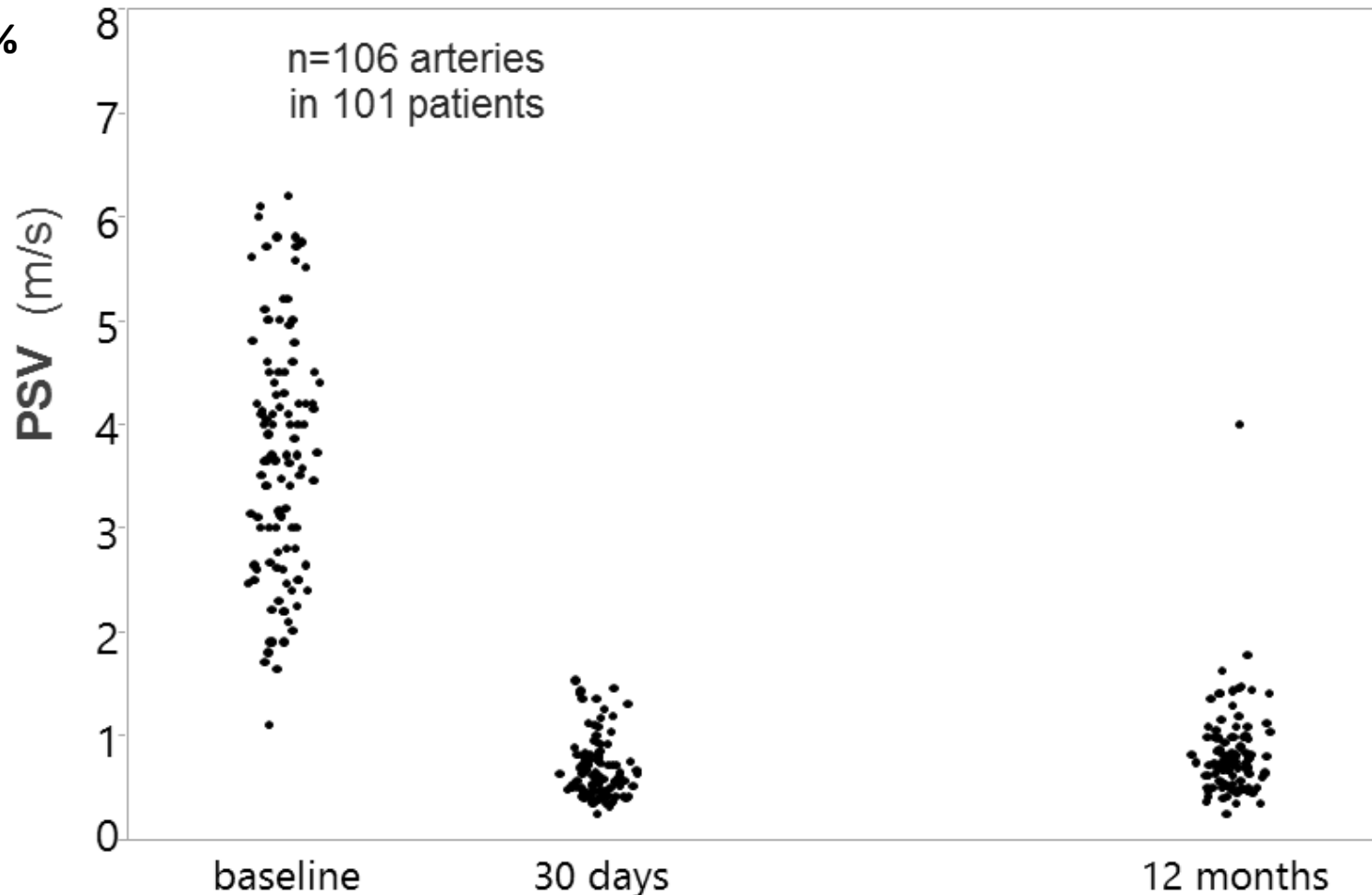
CGuard™ EPS Carotid **PARADIGM** Study

12mo Duplex Ultrasound Data



12month data

ECA*
patency



ECA

100/106 ECAs
were patent
prior to CAS

97.0%
3 ECAs
occluded
at CAS

97.0%
97/100
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96.9%
93/96
ECAs patent

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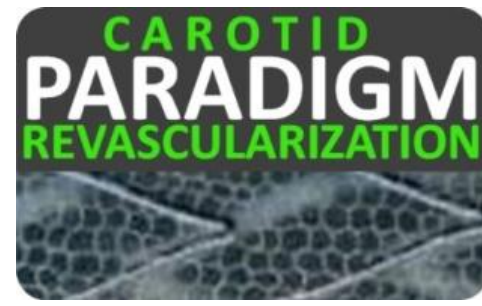


→ **No exclusion criteria**

other than absence of carotid stenosis
that requires revascularization by NVT
reccomendation

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31 July 2019

- 402 patients / 436 arteries
*NeuroVascular Team decision-making on
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- Angiographic diameter stenosis was reduced from $84 \pm 8\%$ to only $6.9 \pm 5\%$ ($p < 0.001$, 'CEA-like' effect of CAS)

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- By 30 days

1 haemorrhagic transformation of prior ischaemic cerebral infarct
leading to **death – 0.25%**

1 bleeding-related death – 0.25%

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- *Then clinical (inc. Neurology exam) and Duplex follow-up every 12 months*

PARADIGM – Extend



1-12 mo

n=311

13-24 mo

n=205

25-36 mo

n=108

37-48 mo

n=61

ipsilateral stroke

0

0

0

0

any stroke

0

2

1 cerebellal
1 contralat.

1

brain stem

2

1 contralateral
1 under adjudication

stroke-related death

0

1

0

1

MI or other non-cerebral VA

3

3

2

2

any death

13

CHF-4, Ca-3, PE-1, MI-2
COPD-1, uroseps -1, surg-1

10

CHF-3, Ca-2, MI-2
surg-2, intrac. bleed-1

6

CHF-2, Ca-2, MI-1
urosepsis -1

4

CHF-2, Ca-2, MI-2

in-stent velocities

PSV **0.79±0.41**m/s

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NB. ALL-Comer, Unselected Population
(eg. AFib 8.9%)

PARADIGM – Extend

By 48 months



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No Stent Thrombosis

No abnormal ISR signal

(Per-vessel ISR 0.92% - 4/436; DEB-PTA)

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@ 48 months

Favourable Cerebral Outcome

- NO device-related adverse events
- NO procedure-related events

s u s t a i n e d
stroke prevention

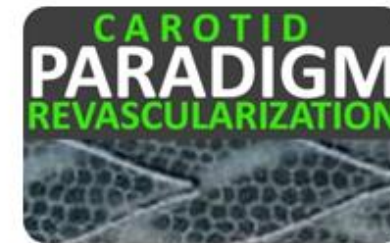
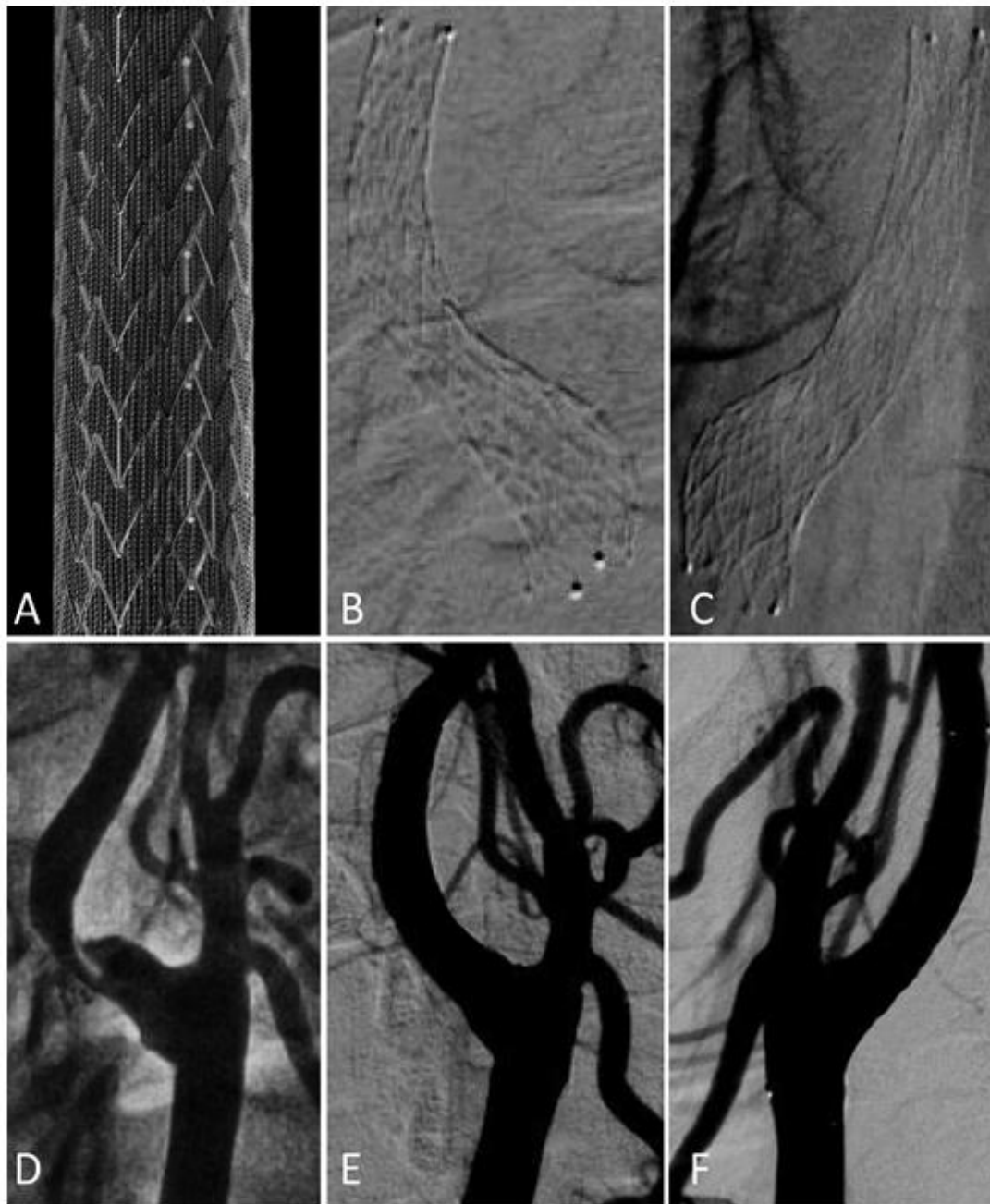


Endovascular **Solution** for All-Comers



Endovascular **Reconstruction** of the Carotid Bifurcation
Prevention of embolism, High radial force, Conformability

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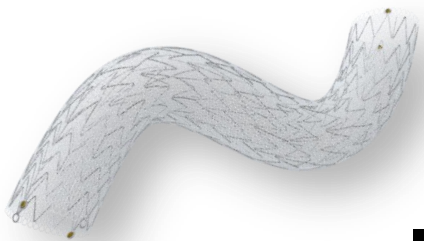


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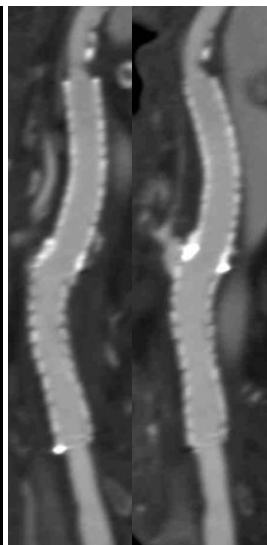
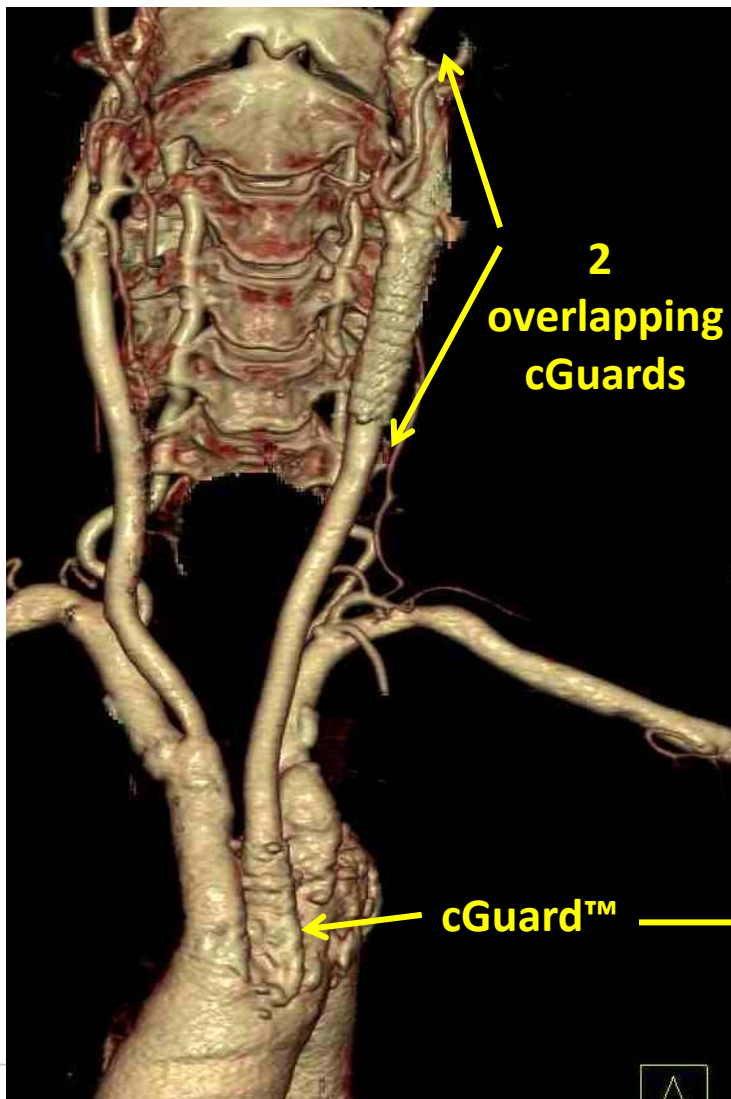
CGuard™ EPS Trials

Study	2200 pts		Specialist	Status
CARENET	30 pts	DW-MRI	Multi	Published
PARADIGM	100 pts	All comer	Multi	Published
IRON-Guard	200 pts	Real World	Vasc Surgery	Published
TORIN (MRI)	30 pts	DW-MRI	INR	Published
Wissgott	30 pts	Mechanics	Angiology	Published
Casana	80 pts	Real World	Vasc Surgery	Published
Wissgott NG	20 pts	New Gen		Finish
IRON-Guard 2	500 pts	Real World	Vasc Surgery	On-going
PARADIGM-Extend	300 pts	All comer	Multi	On-going
CGuard Vasc Surg (Poland)	500 pts	Real World	Vasc Surgery	On-going
CGuard vs. Acculink RCT	100 pts	(DW-MRI)	Vasc Surgery	On Going
CGuard PRO	500 pts	Real World	Vasc Surgery	
CGuard OPTIMAL	100 pts	with IVUS	EU KOL	
TBQ FDA	300 pts		Multi	



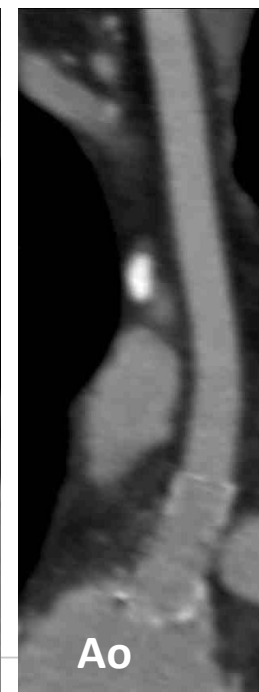
Ostial CCA lesions

(note adequate radial force and placement precision)



OPTIMAL angiographic
+ clinical + duplex result
@ 12mo

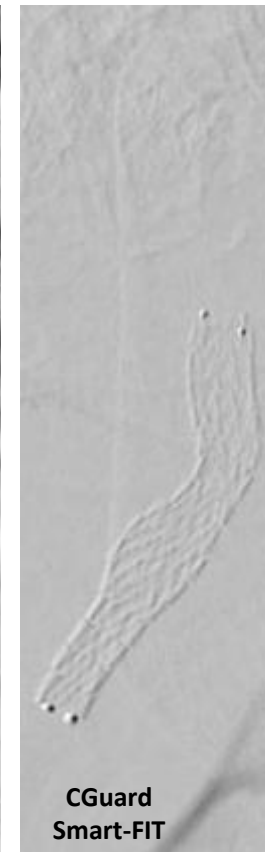
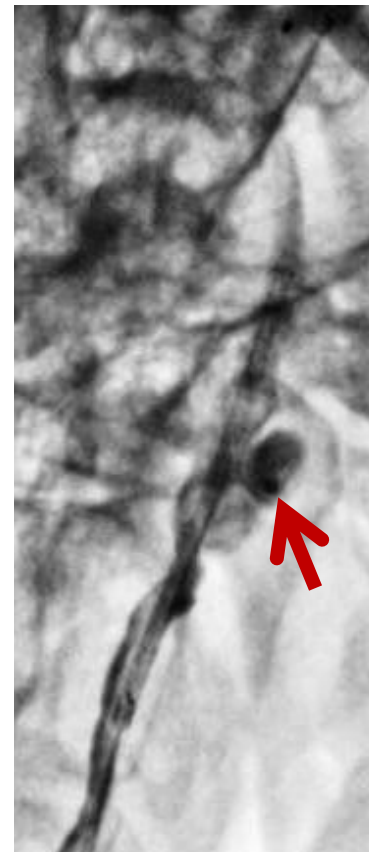
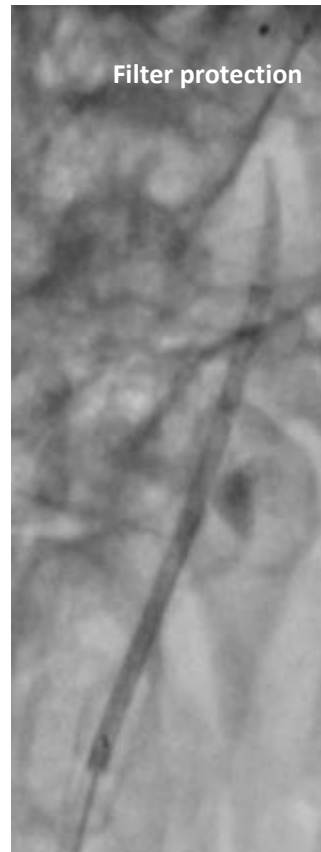
(and LECA patent)



High-ICA Aneurysm recurrent TIAs



RICA endovascular reconstruction



Immediate SEALING
Patient C U R E D

High-ICA Aneurysm recurrent TIAs



**Normal CT-angio
result @ 6 mo**

**excellent healing &
no more symptoms**

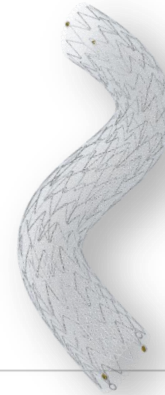


**RICA
endovascular
reconstruction**



**CONFIRMED
CURED 😊**

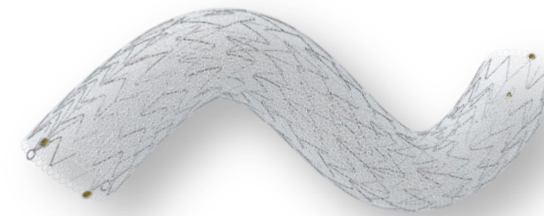
44-year-old woman hairdresser model minor stroke then cresc. TIAs...



**CGuard™ 6.0x20mm
'Smart-FIT'**

Direct stenting

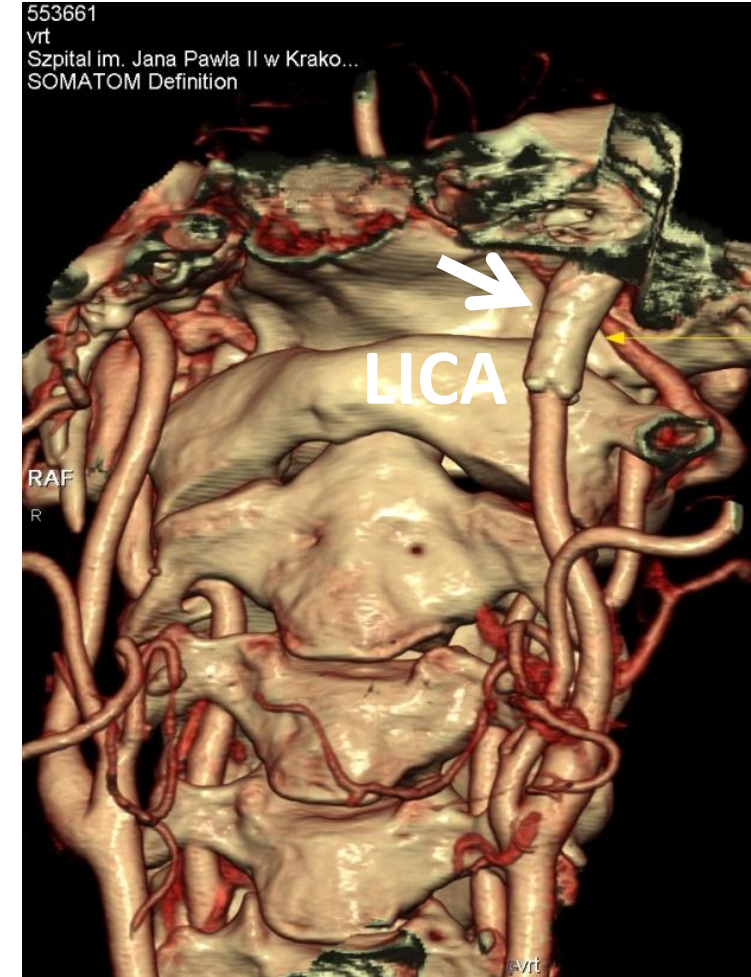
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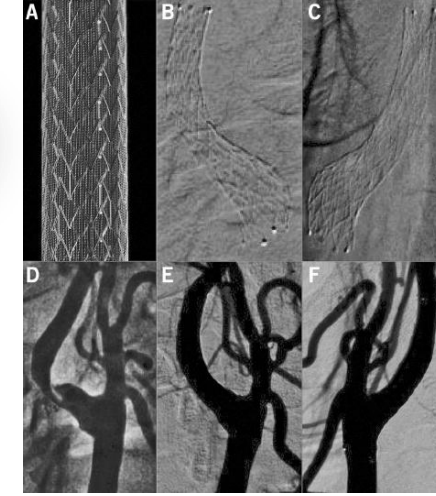
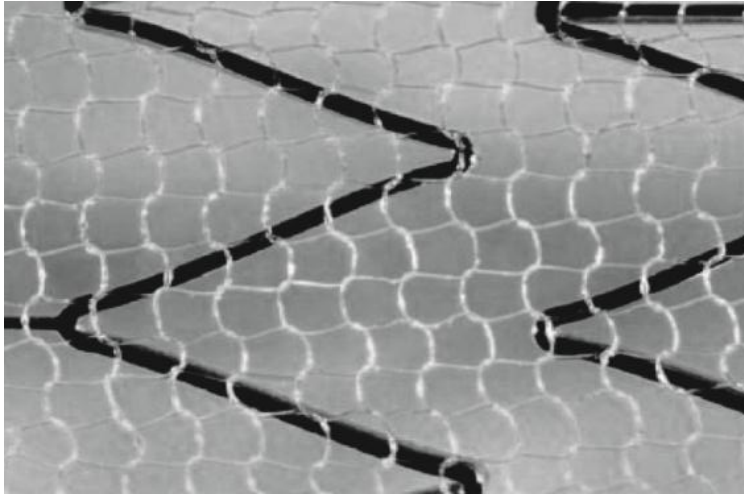


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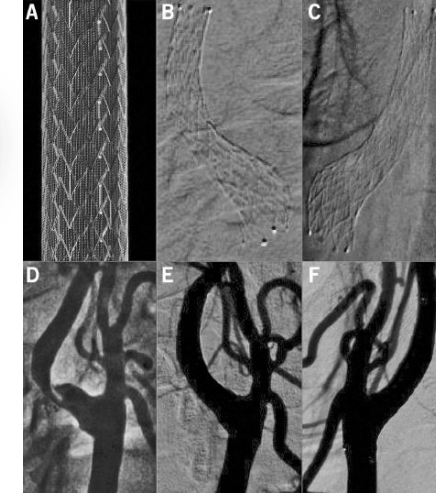
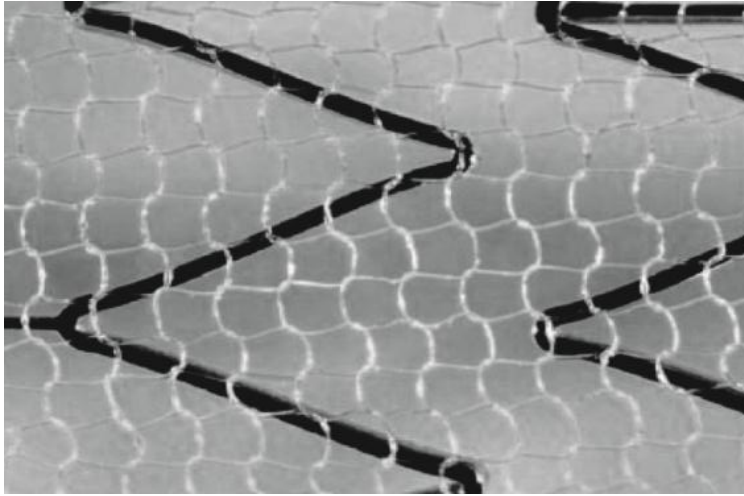
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Double-Layer Carotid Stents: From the Clinical Need, through a Stent-in-Stent Strategy, to Effective Plaque Isolation... the Journey Toward Safe Carotid Revascularization Using the Endovascular Route

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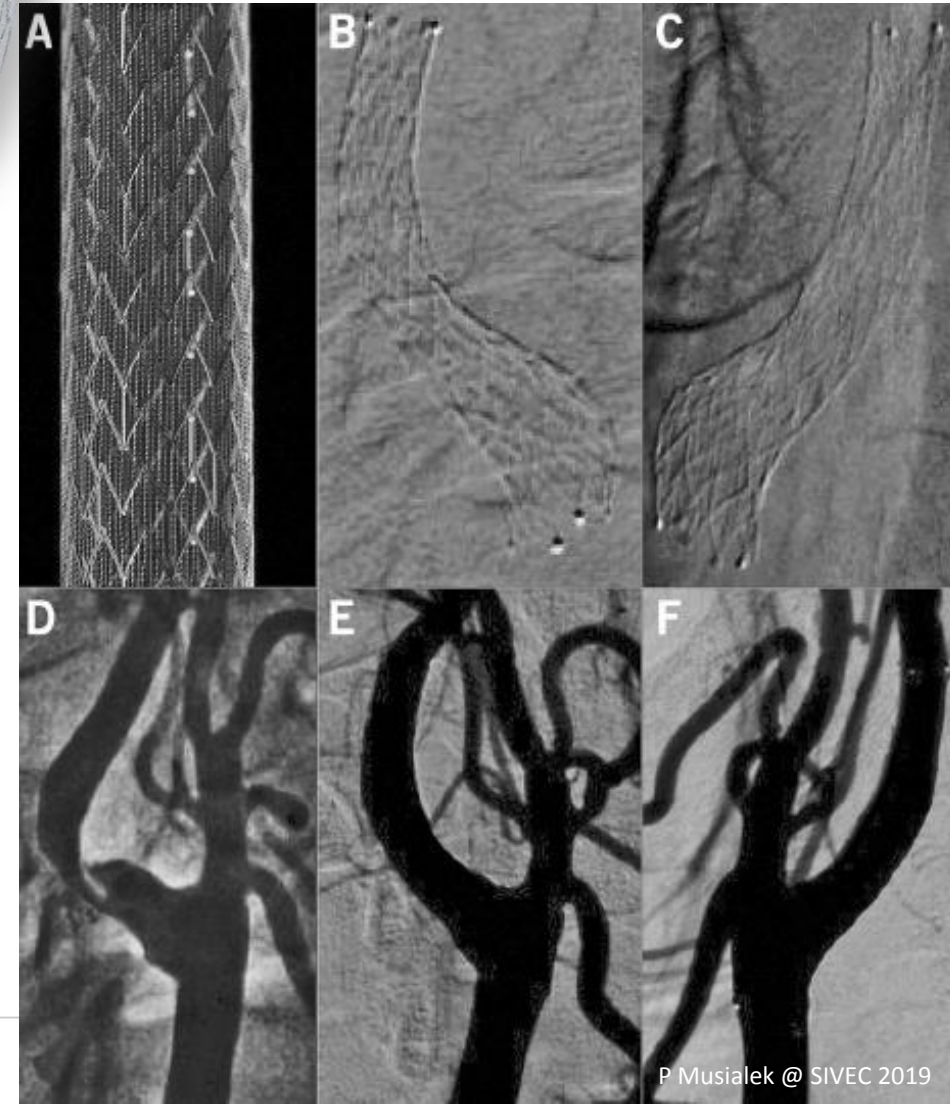
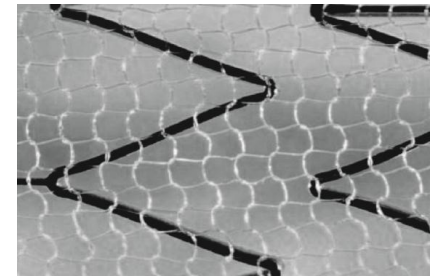
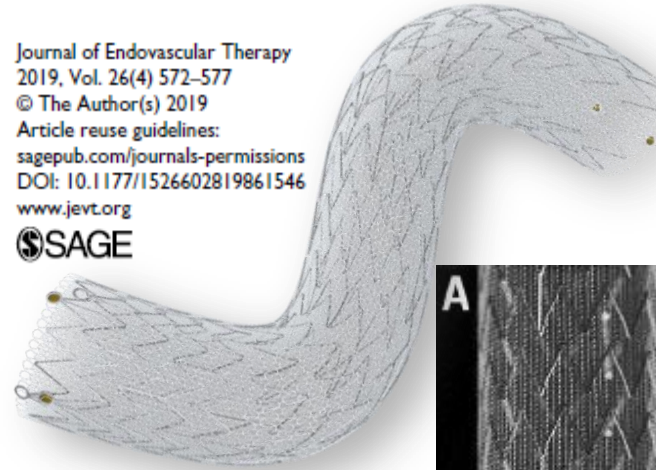
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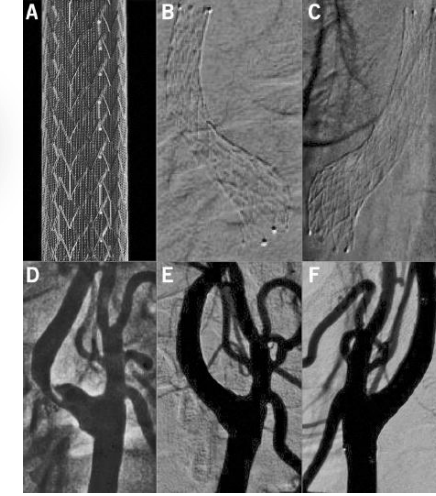
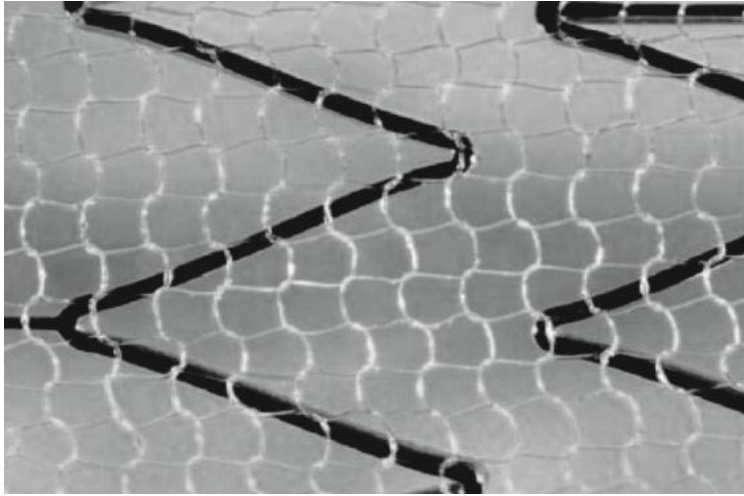
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Both surgical and endovascular routes of carotid revascularization are associated with the risk of symptomatic and asymptomatic cerebral embolism.¹⁻³ Optimized pharmacotherapy, the mainstay of atherosclerosis management, can reduce or delay but not abolish the risk of stroke from atherosclerotic carotid artery stenosis.^{4,7} Interventional elimination or sequestration of the thromboembolic carotid plaque⁸⁻¹⁰ remains an important consideration in a significant proportion of patients if carotid stenosis-related strokes are to be prevented rather than experienced. This is the focus

and the stent free-cell area also affect the risk of embolism after stent placement. Thus, while optimized neuroprotection during CAS may minimize intraprocedural cerebral embolism,^{18-20,23,24} the problem of early or delayed post-procedural embolism remains.^{3,25-27} With optimal patient selection technique and antiplatelet therapy, post-stent embolic phenomena are largely related to intrastent plaque prolapse, balloon trauma, and subsequent embolization. This may occur after the period of intraprocedural cerebral protection using flow reversal techniques and/or filters.

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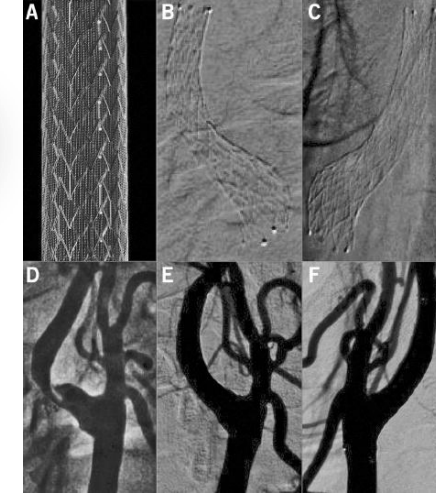
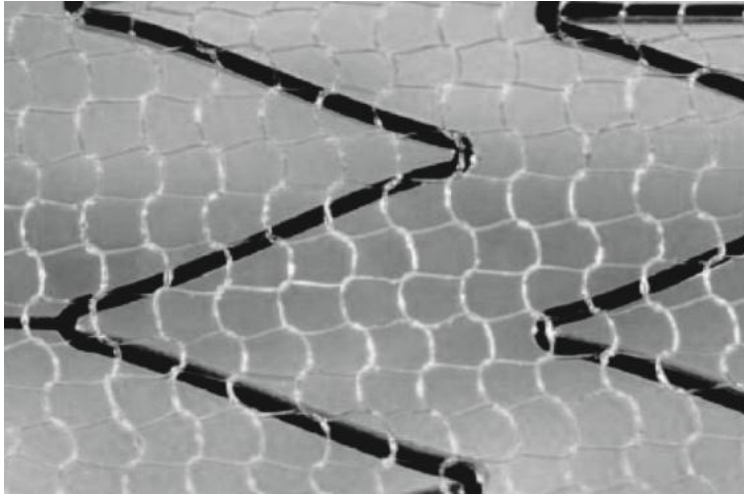




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