

Building the Evidence for CEP in TAVR: A Critical Review of the Clinical Trial Data

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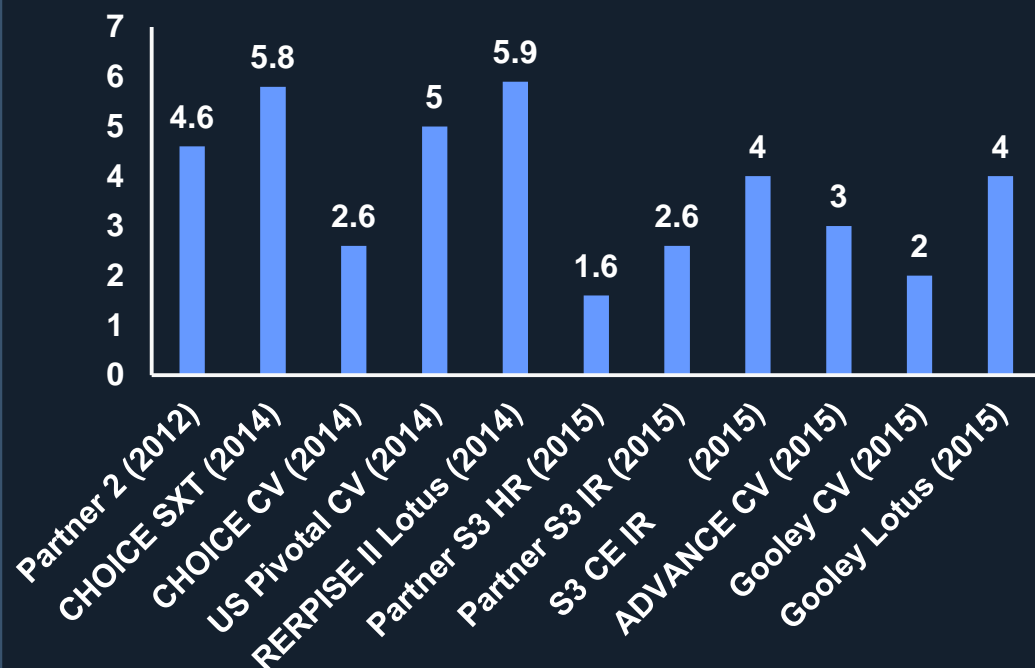
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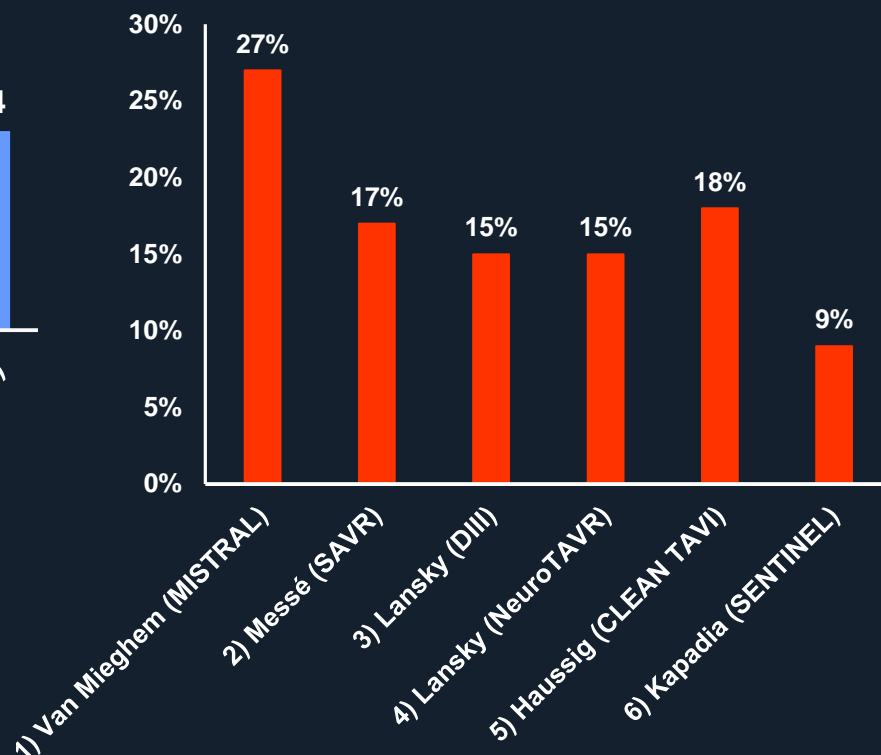
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Stroke Underreported in TAVR Studies

In reported clinical trials stroke rates with TAVR range from 1.6%-5.9%



- Neurologist identified deficits and worsening neurocognition with new Brain MRI lesions and/or higher lesion volume
- Stroke range is 9-27% by AHA/ASA guidelines



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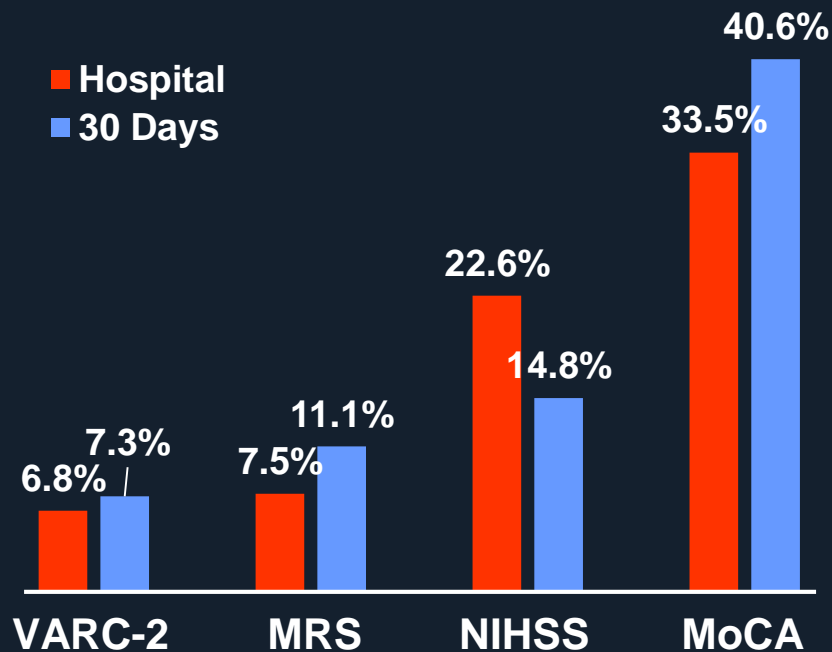
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US NeuroTAVR Trial: Outcome

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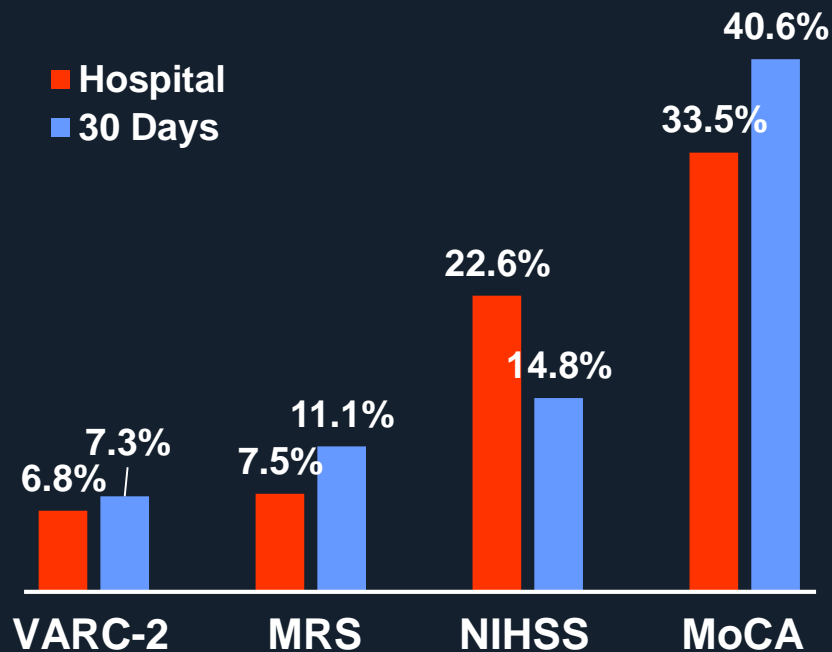


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Consequences of Stroke

Mortality:

TAVR patients suffering disabling stroke : 1-year mortality of 67% vs. 12% and 2-year mortality of 83% vs. 20%.¹

PHYSICAL FUNCTIONING:

40% : moderate to severe permanent disability

55%-75% of “fully recovered” with residual dysfunction in at least one limb.²⁻³

EFFECT OF STROKE AND WHITE MATTER LESIONS IN WORKING POPULATION

44% return to work,

33% significant financial strains,

79% report social isolation⁴.

even without a stroke note impaired social cognition, leading predictor of occupational disability, and ability to maintain relationships with family and friends⁵

“Silent” Cerebral Emboli & TAVR

- Every step of TAVR puts a patient at risk of stroke (crossing the aortic valve, valvuloplasty, valve placement, etc.)¹
- Cerebral embolization demonstrated by DWI MRI is common with TAVR occurring in 68-98% of cases.²⁻⁴
- Cerebral emboli detected on DWI MRI increase the risk of clinically overt stroke by 2-4 times and lead to cognitive dysfunction, depression, impaired mobility, dementia, and increased mortality.⁵⁻⁶
- The greater the volume of DWI lesions seen on MRI the greater the long-term risk of cognitive dysfunction and long-term dementia.⁵⁻⁶

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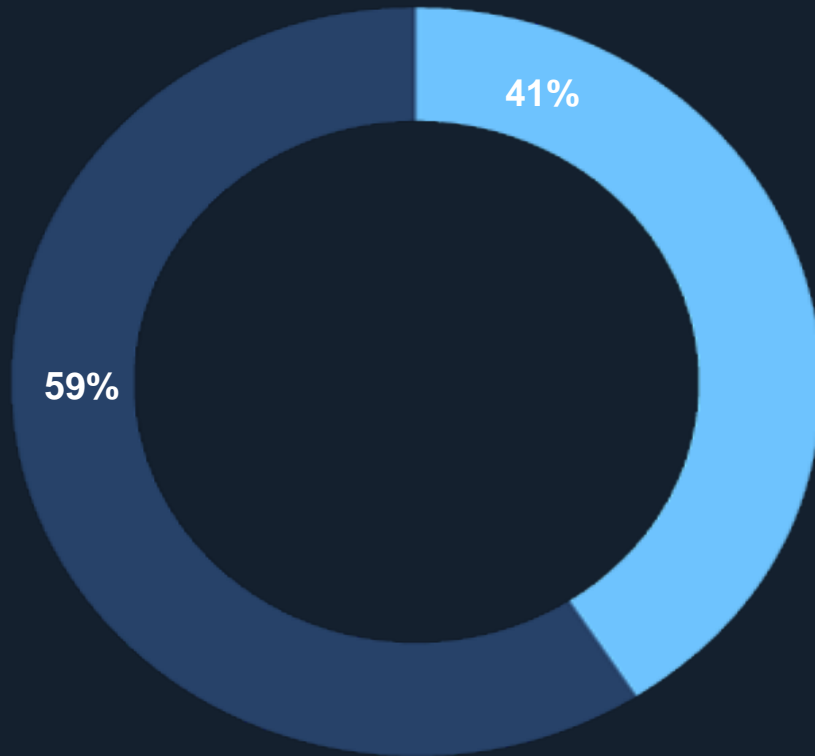
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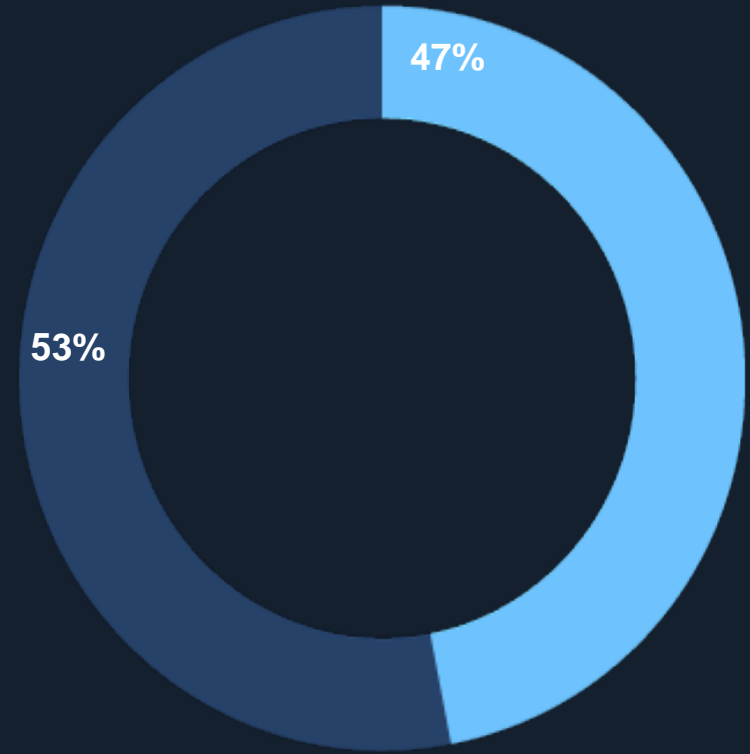
Most Of The Stroke Events Take Place Peri-Procedural

PARTNER (Cohort A)

TAVI (32 Stroke Pts)



AVR (15 Stroke Pts)



Over 30 days post procedure

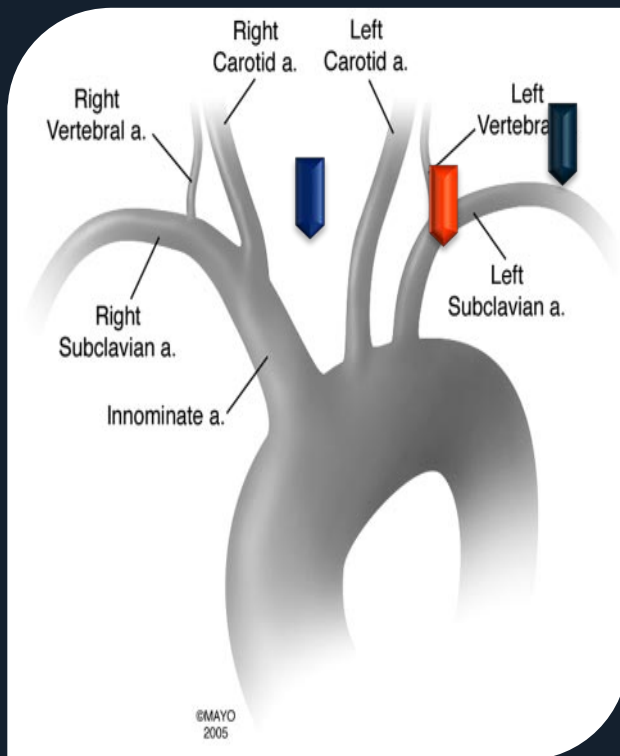
Periprocedural

Over 30 days post procedure

Periprocedural

Equal Distribution Of Cerebral Embolization To All Cerebral Vessels Validates The Need For Complete 3 Vessel Protection

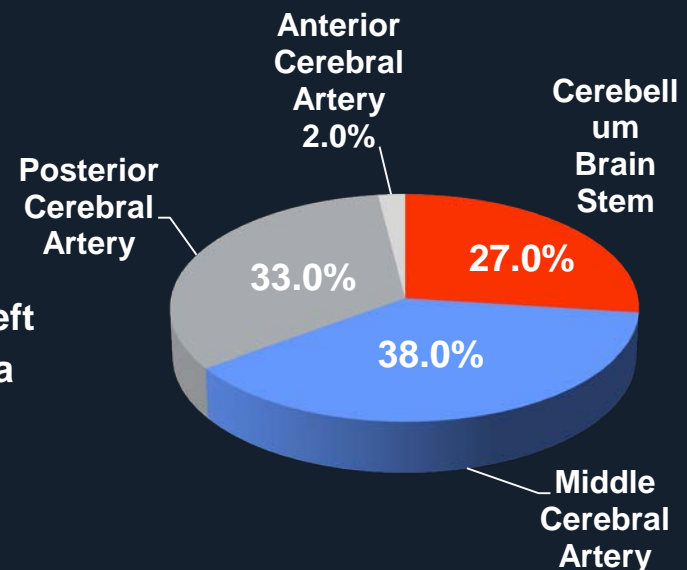
Potential Paths of Cerebral Embolism



- Vertigo, falling to left
- Diplopia, dysarthria
- Hemiparesis or quadriparesis
- Hemisensory loss
- Hemianopia or cortical blindness

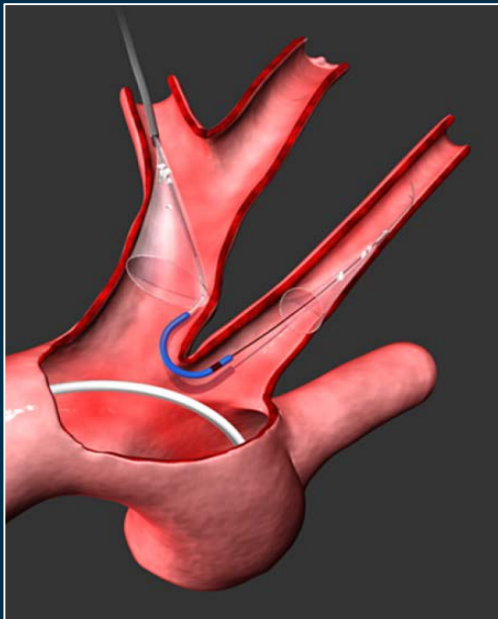
Layton KF et al. Bovine Aortic Arch Variant in Humans.
AJNR 2006.

Distribution of Embolic Cerebral Damage by DWI



Arnold et al. Embolic Cerebral Insults After TAVI
Detected by MRI. JACC 2010.

Sentinel Cerebral Protection Systems



- **Dual independent filters designed for embolic debris capture and removal in two of the three cerebral branches**
 - **Innominate artery and left common carotid artery**
- **Right transradial 6F sheath access**

Study Flow

Patients with Severe
Symptomatic Aortic Stenosis
Undergoing TAVR

Patients Randomized (1:1:1)
N = 363

**Imaging
Cohort**

SAFETY ARM
TAVR With Sentinel
(n = 123)

TEST ARM
TAVR With Sentinel
(n=121)

CONTROL ARM
TAVR Only
(n = 119)

MRI not done = 10
Pacemaker = 10
No SENTINEL = 8
No TAVR = 1
Withdrawn = 1

MRI not done = 9
MRI unreadable = 2
Pacemaker = 8
No TAVR = 1
Died = 1

Serial MRIs (Baseline, Day 2-7 & Day 30)

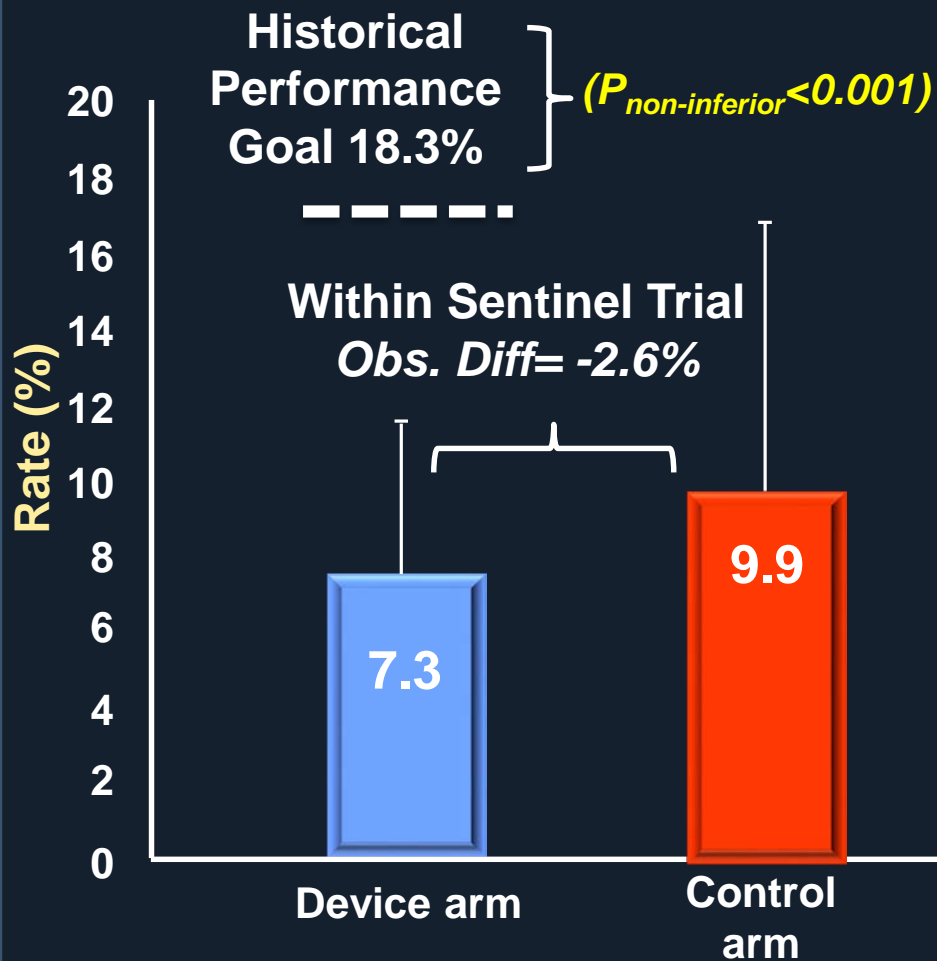
**Efficacy
analysis**
n = 91

**Efficacy
analysis**
n = 98

78.8%
MRI
Follow-up

Primary Safety Endpoint (NI): All Cause Death, Stroke, AKI Stage 3

30-Day MACCE



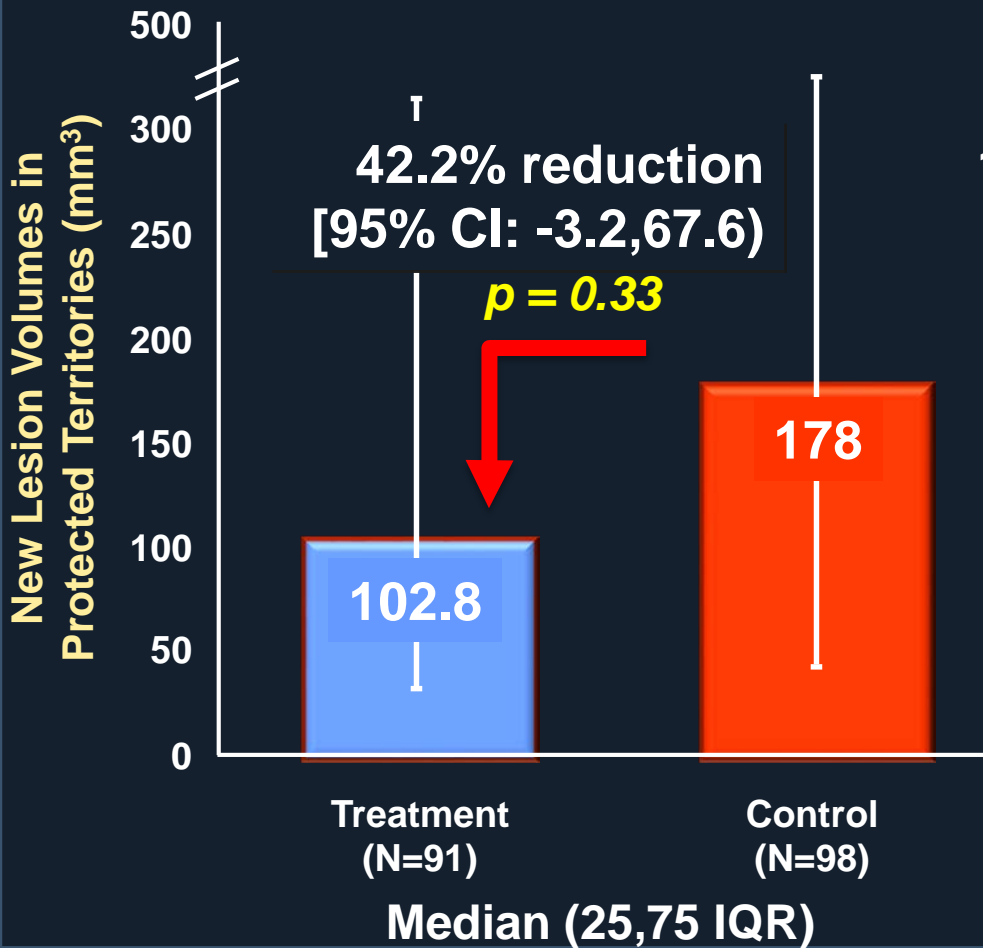
	Device Arm (n=234)	Control Arm (n=111)	P value
30-Day Clinical Outcomes			
Any MACCE [†]	7.3%	9.9%	0.40
Death (all-cause)	1.3%	1.8%	0.65
Stroke	5.6%	9.1%	0.25
Disabling	0.9%	0.9%	1.00
Non-disabling	4.8%	8.2%	0.22
AKI (Stage 3)	0.4%	0%	1.00
TIA	0.4%	0%	1.00
Sentinel Site Complications	0.4%	N/A	0.53

Primary Efficacy Endpoint (Superiority)

Median TLV In Protected Territories Assessed By DW-MRI
At Day 2-7 Post-Procedure

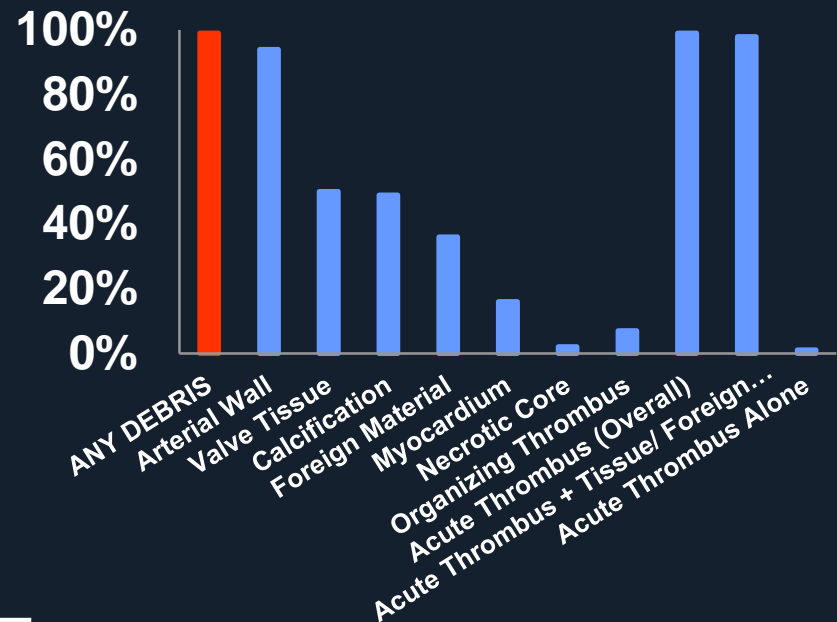
No Difference Between ALL Territories

Primary Efficacy Endpoint

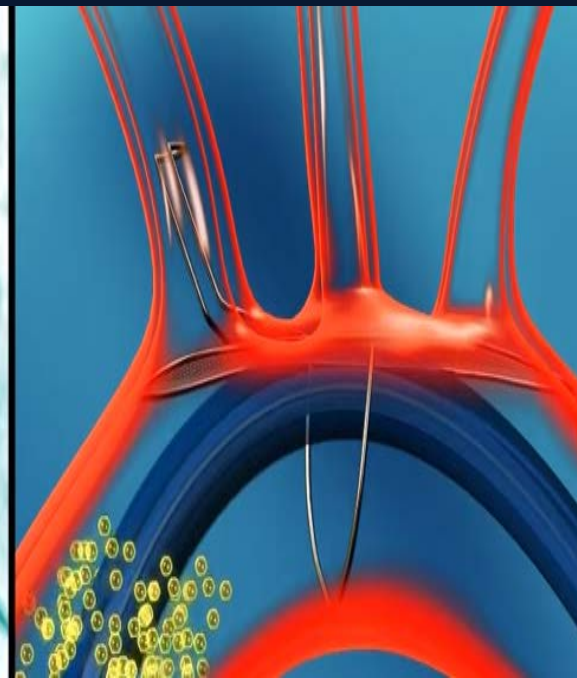
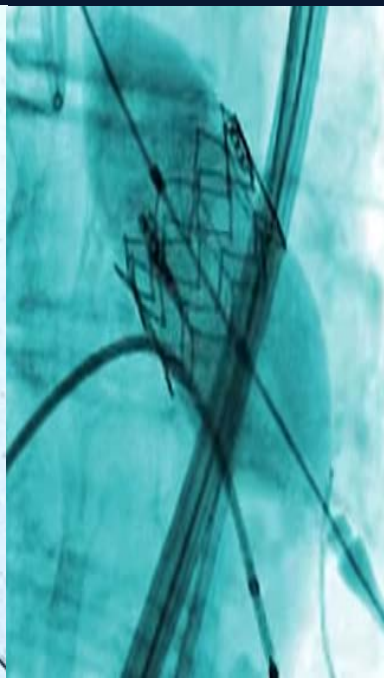
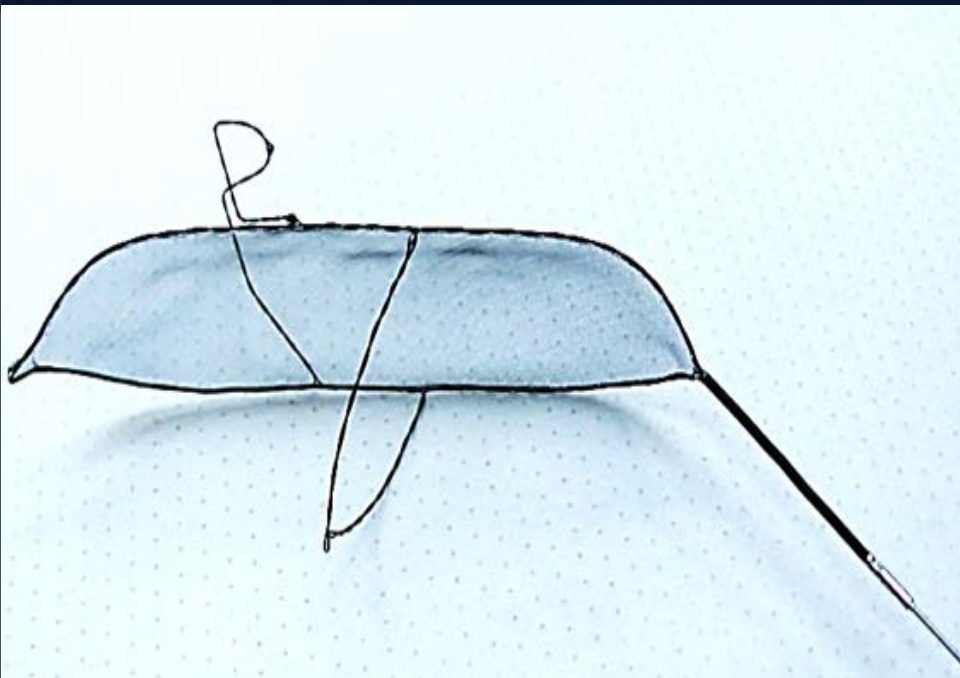


HISTOPATHOLOGY

Debris Capture by Type



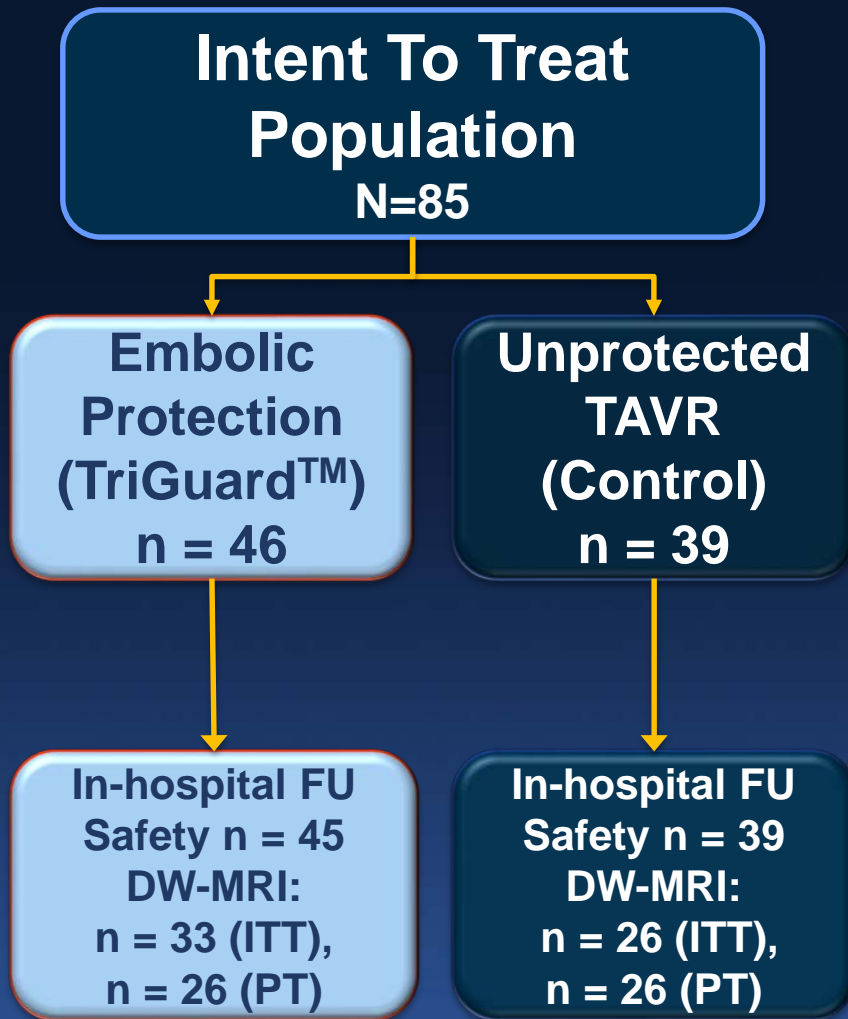
TriGuard™: Cerebral Embolic Protection



- Highly flexible nitinol frame and mesh
- Low profile
- Reduced mesh pore size ($130\mu \times 250\mu$) improves efficacy without compromising hemodynamics
- Easily maneuverable
- 4 marker bands on frame for visibility

- **Designed to cover ALL major cerebral vessels** entire cerebro-vascular system: innominate, left carotid, and subclavian
- Over the arch delivery vs down the carotids designed to minimize brain emboli

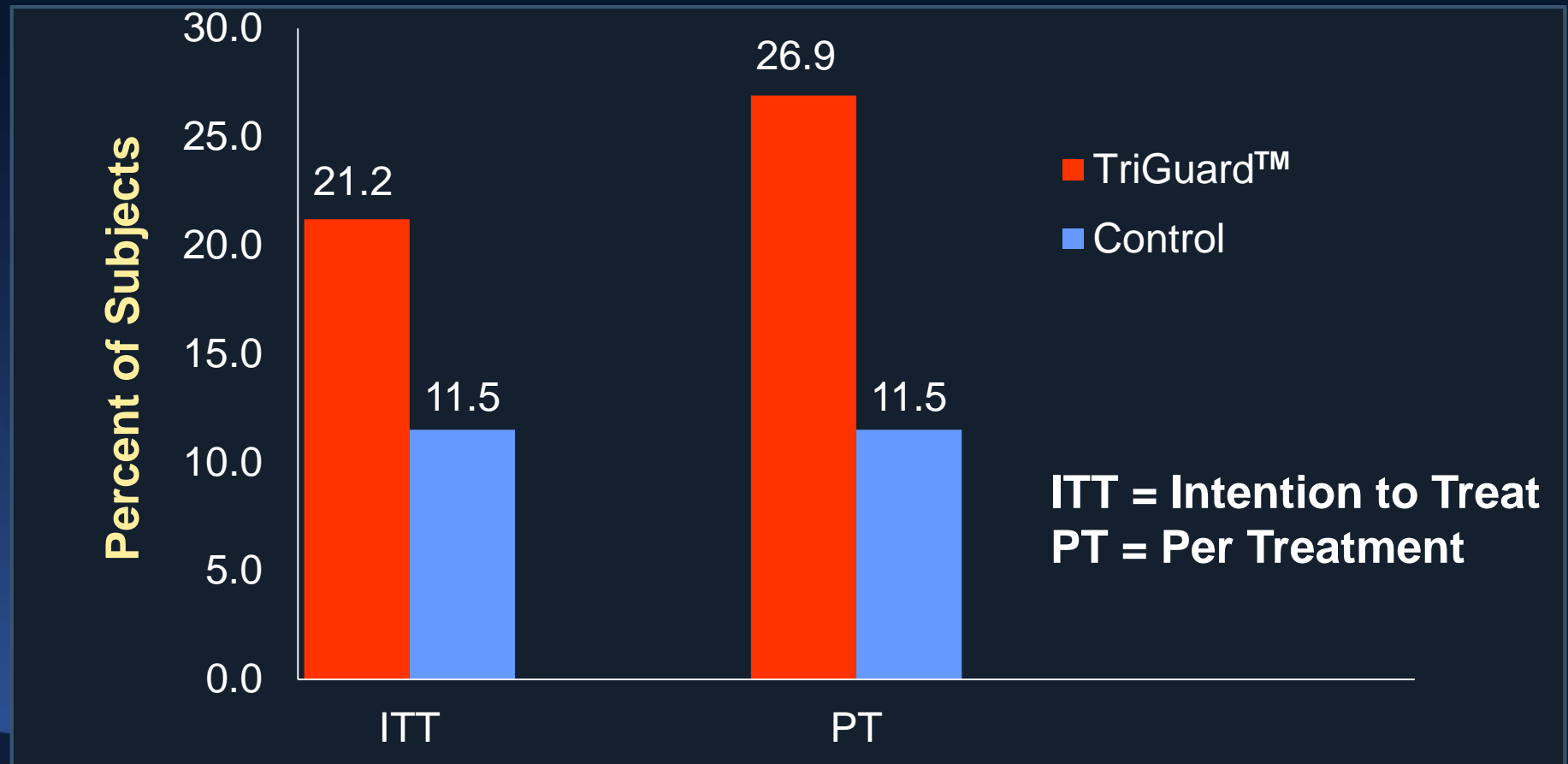
DEFLECT III Trial



- **Deployment Success: 93.5%**
- **Successful positioning: 87% (complete 3-vessel coverage until final valve deployment of first valve, verified by QCA)**
- **Safety at 30 days (death, stroke, life threatening bleed, AKI, major vascular Complications) 26% TG vs 31% control**

DW-MRI Results – Patients with No Ischemic Brain Lesions

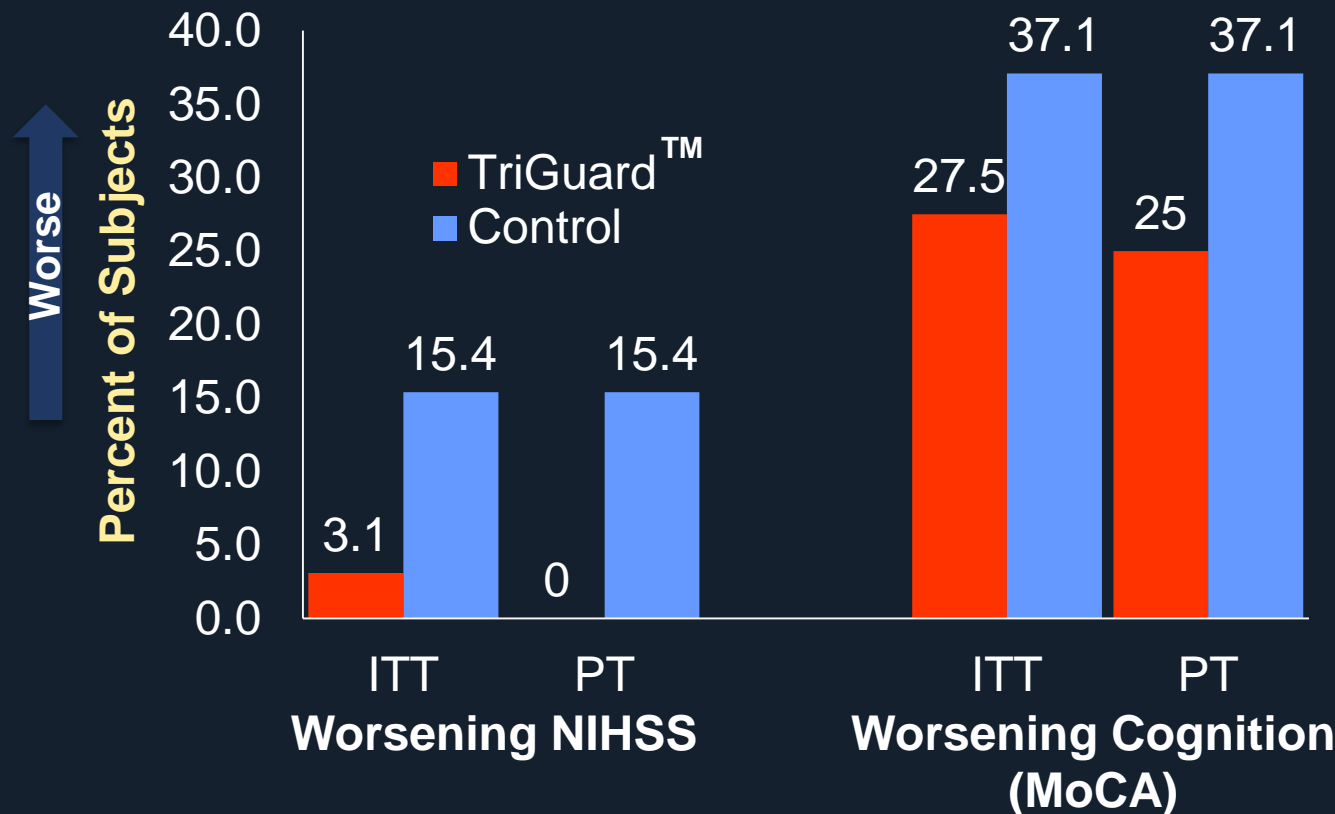
**Protection Increases Freedom From
Ischemic Lesions**



Clinical Efficacy Outcomes – Stroke and Cognition

Protection Reduces Worsening Of Neurologic And Cognitive Outcomes

**Patients With Worsening NIHSS And MoCA
with MRI Brain Injury From Baseline To
Discharge**



Pooled Analysis of Keystone Heart Clinical Trials

OBJECTIVES:

To evaluate the safety and efficacy of the TriGuard™ device as an adjunct to TAVI compared to no protection in an expanded patient level pooled analysis of 3 prospective clinical trials

METHODS:

A total of 142 patients (TriGuard™ N=59 vs Controls N=83).
This per-treatment analysis includes all TG patients with adjudicated complete cerebral coverage.

Trials included: DEFLECT I, DEFLECT III and NeuroTAVR

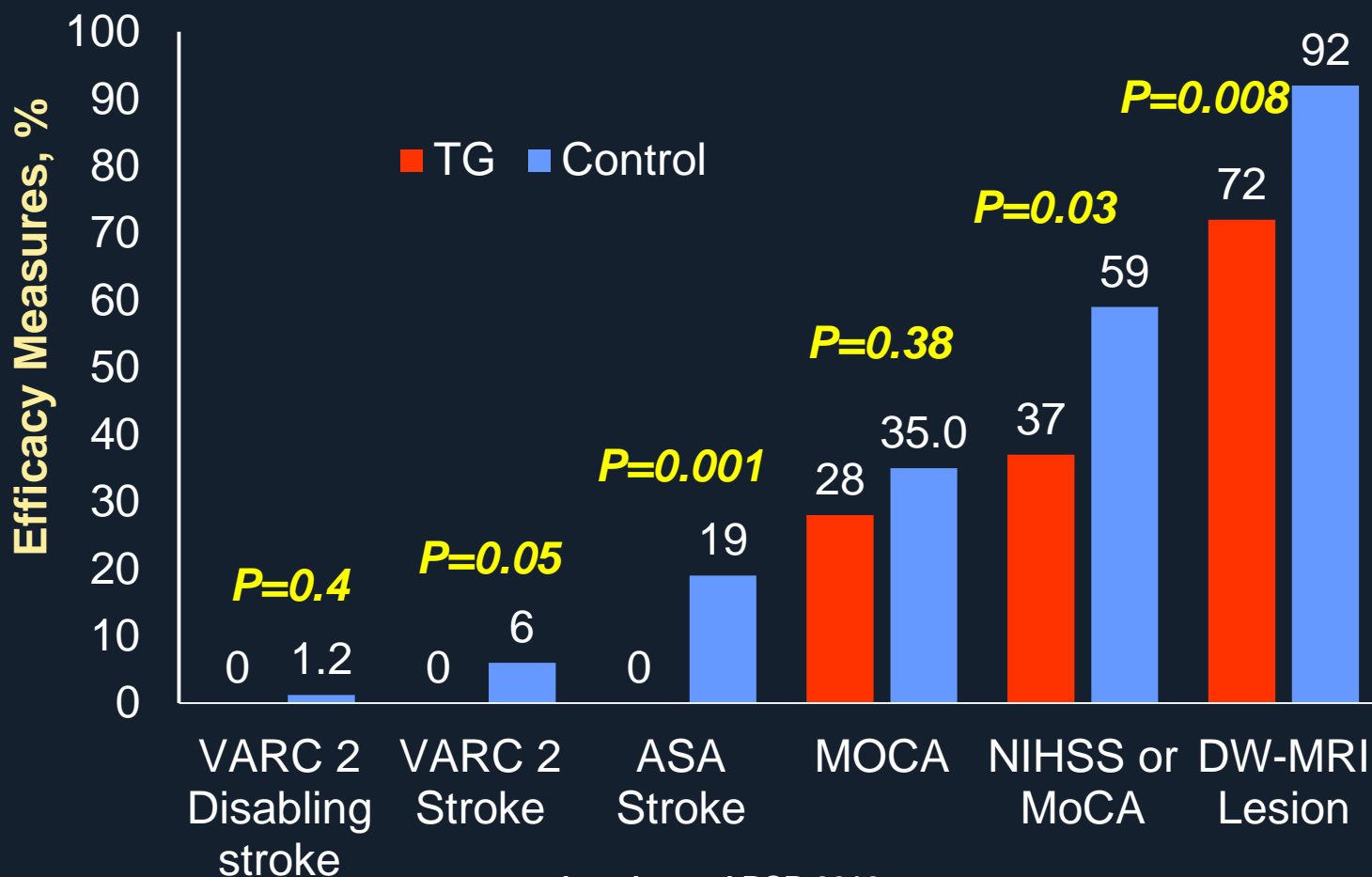
ENDPOINTS:

- MACCE: all death, stroke, bleeding, AKI, Vasc Complications
- Stroke: VARC2 defined * and AHA/ASA defined:**
- CNS infarction: Number and Volume New MRI lesions
- Worsening NIHSS and cognitive function (MoCA)

TriGuard™ Pooled Analysis: Covering All Three Cerebral Branches Can Improve Clinical Outcome Significantly

Primary Safety Endpoint of 30 Day MACCE: 18.2% TG vs. 24.1% Control, $p=0.44$

Patient level pooled analysis from the TriGuard™ Trials (N=142)

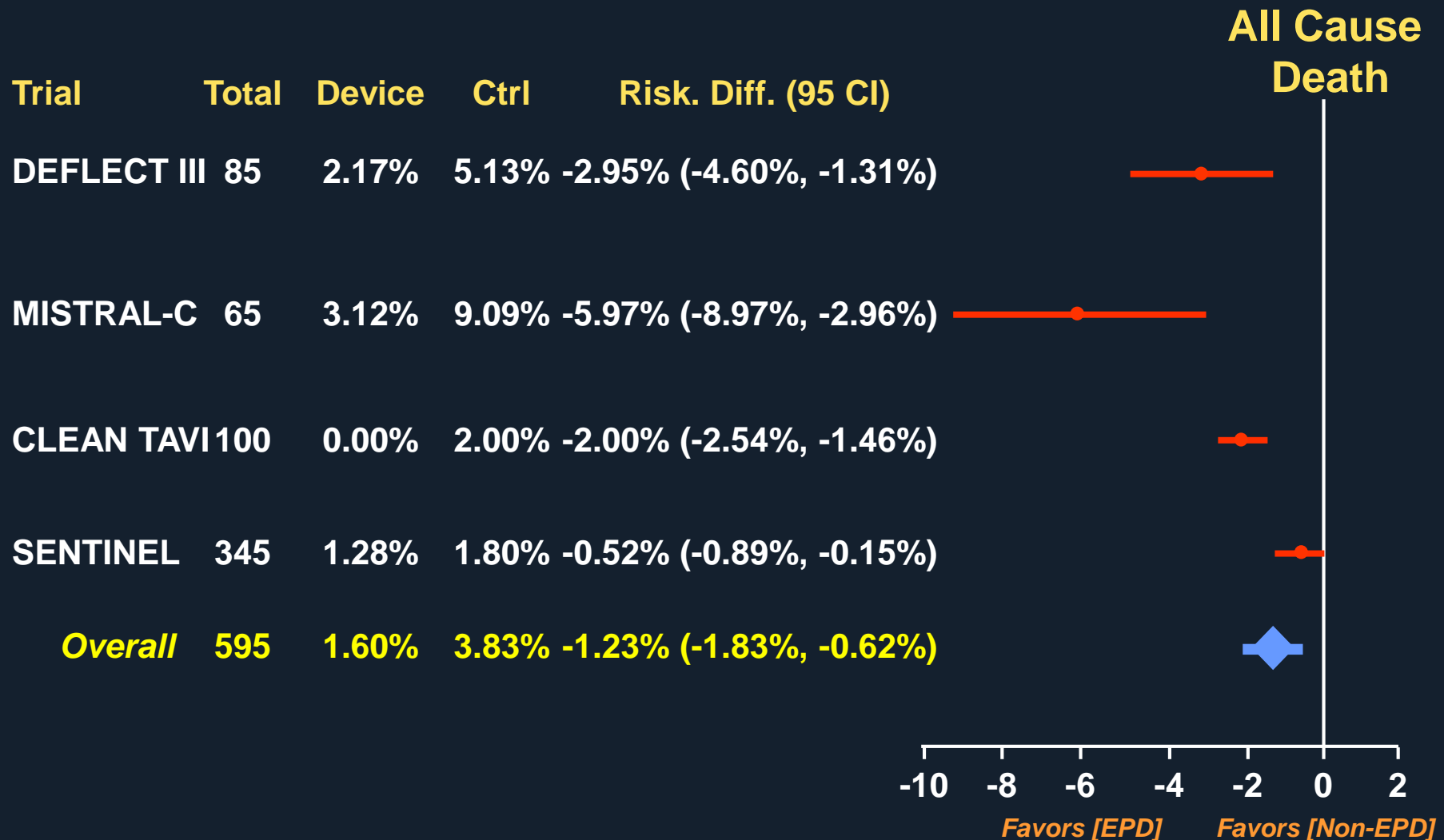


Lansky et al PCR 2016

TriGuard is an Investigational device for investigational use only in the USA

New CRF Meta-analysis

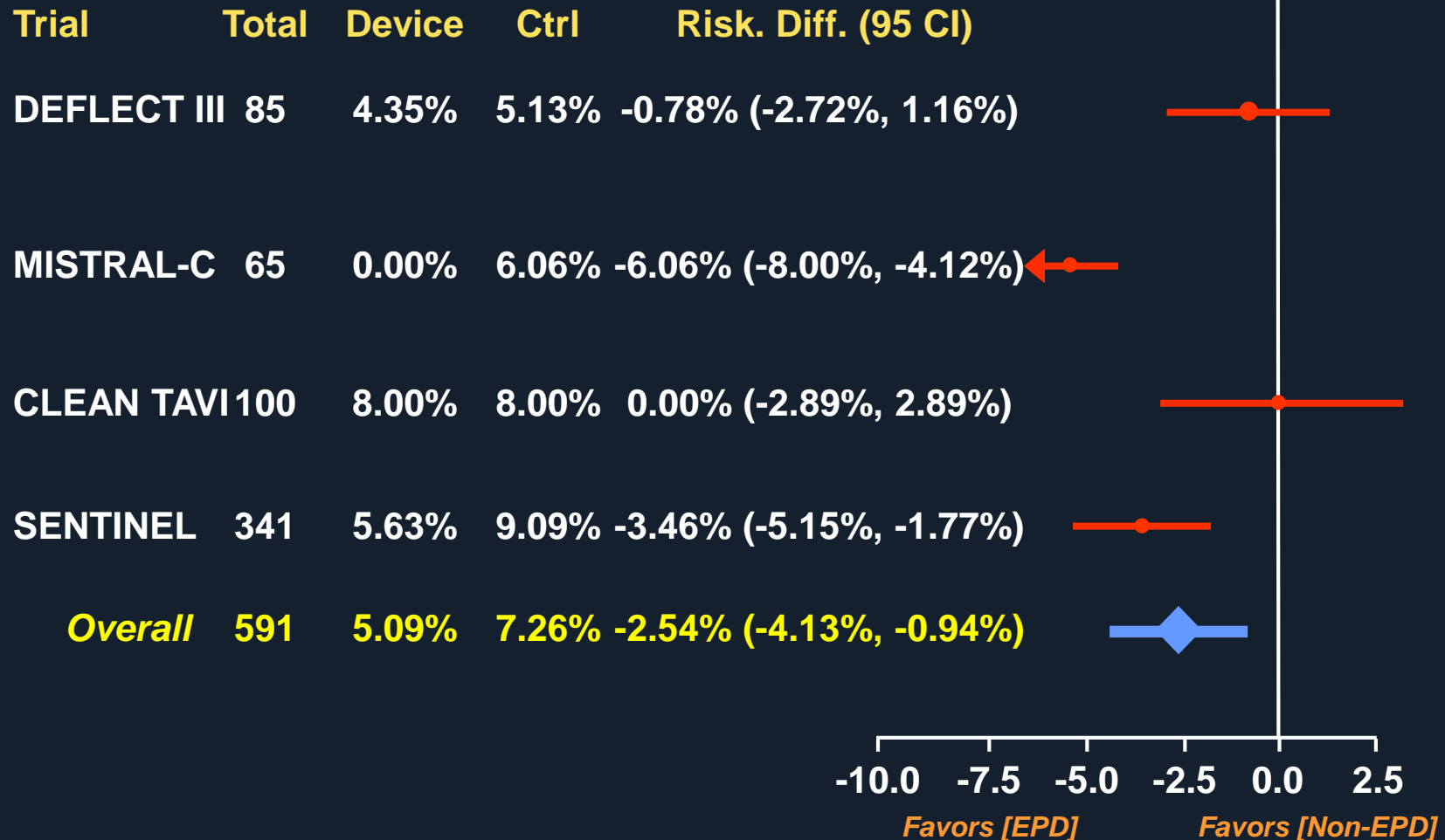
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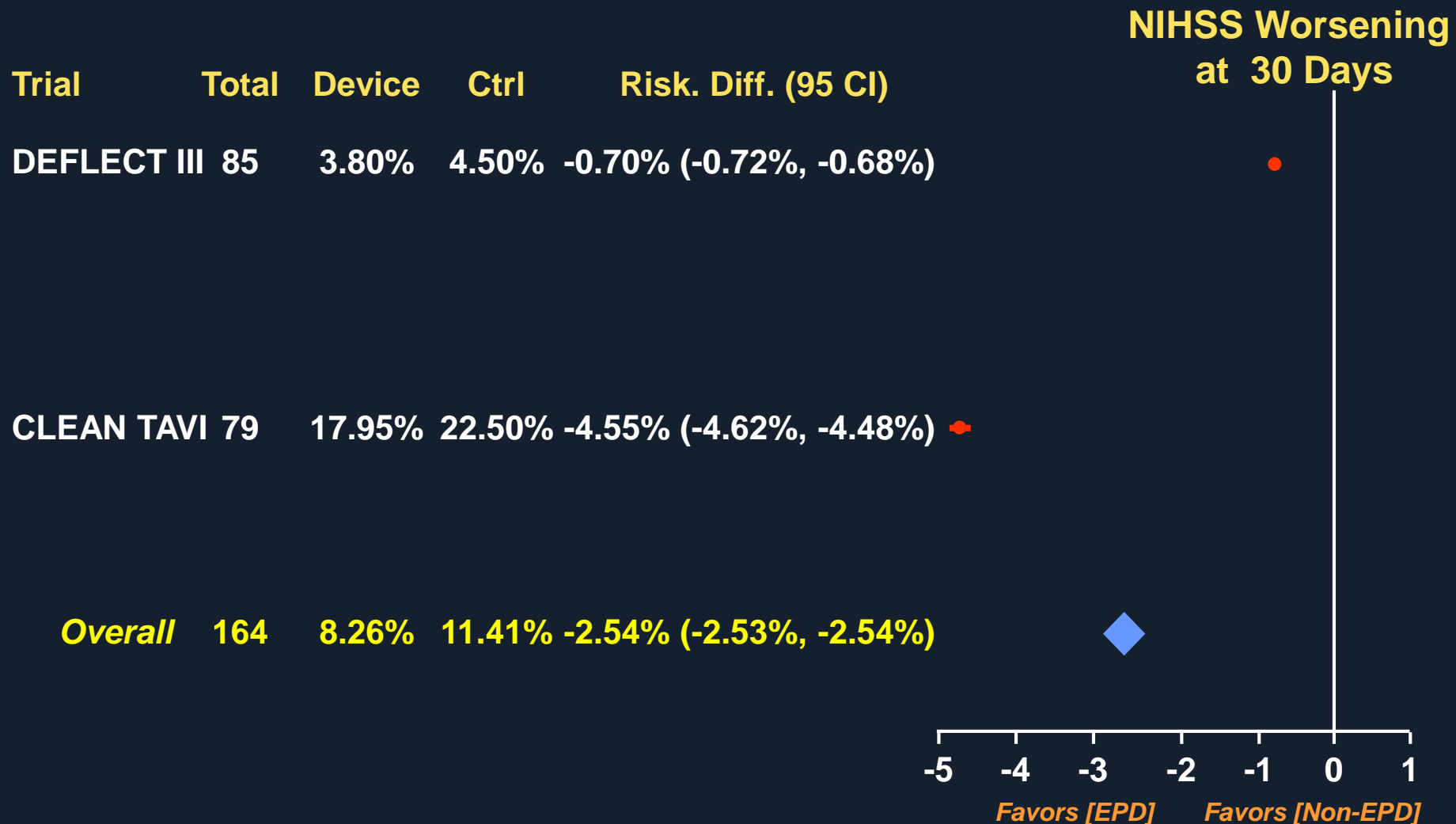
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Stroke at 30 days



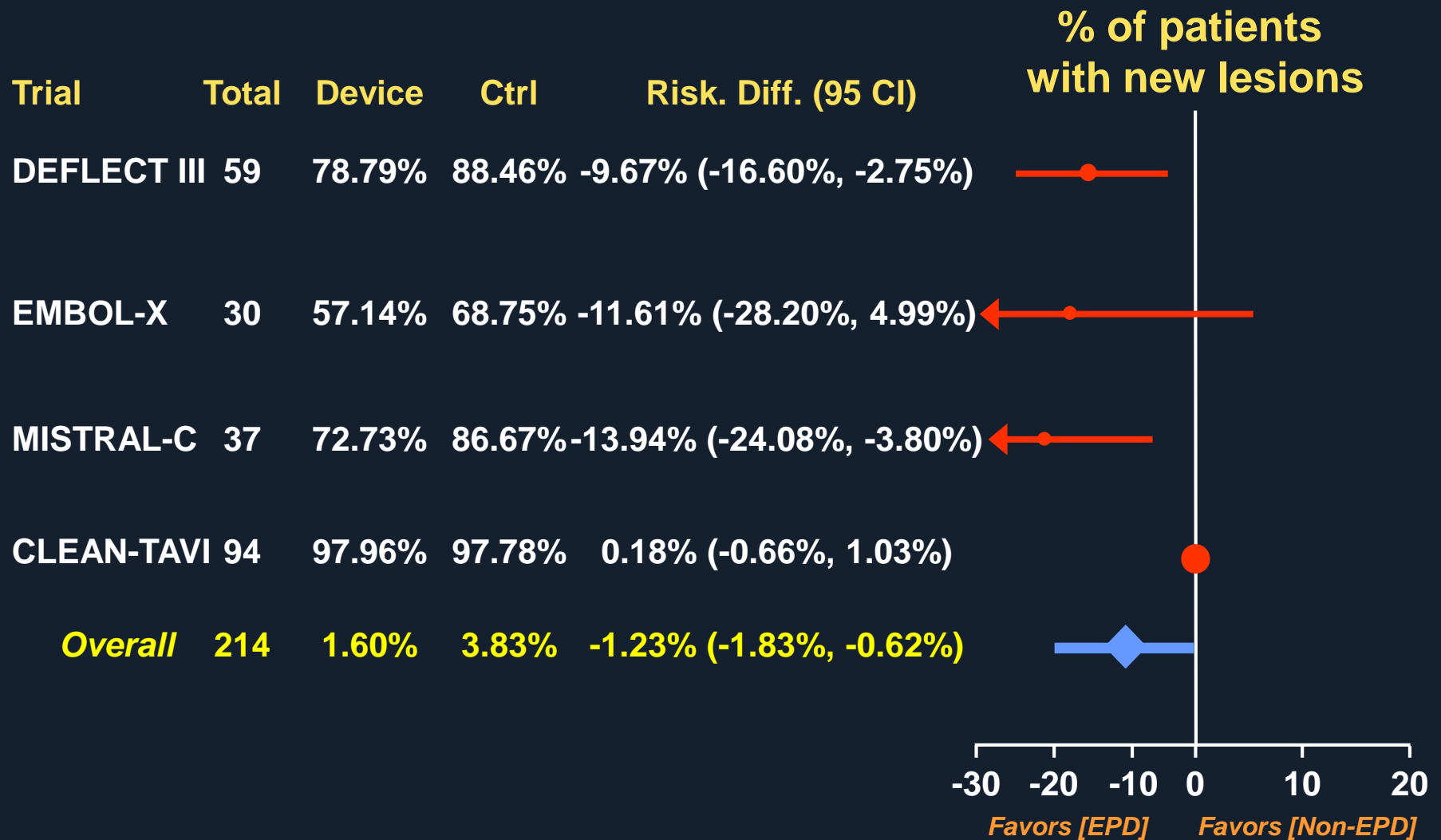
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2RCTs 164 Pts



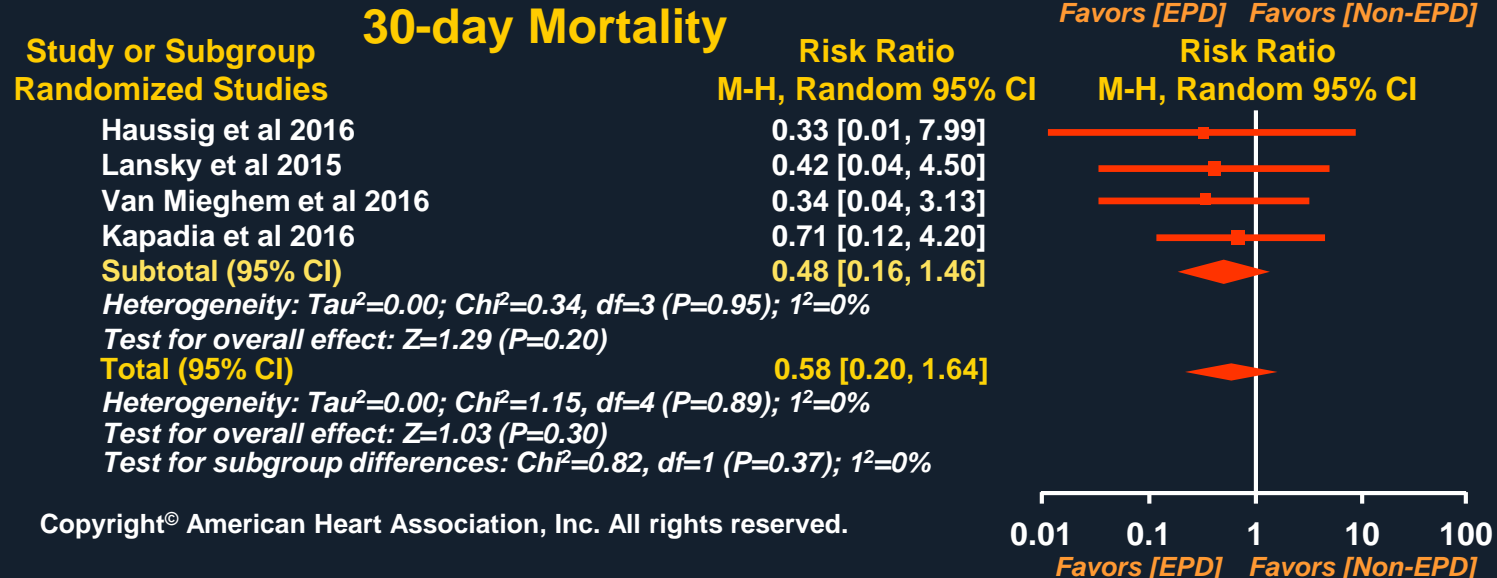
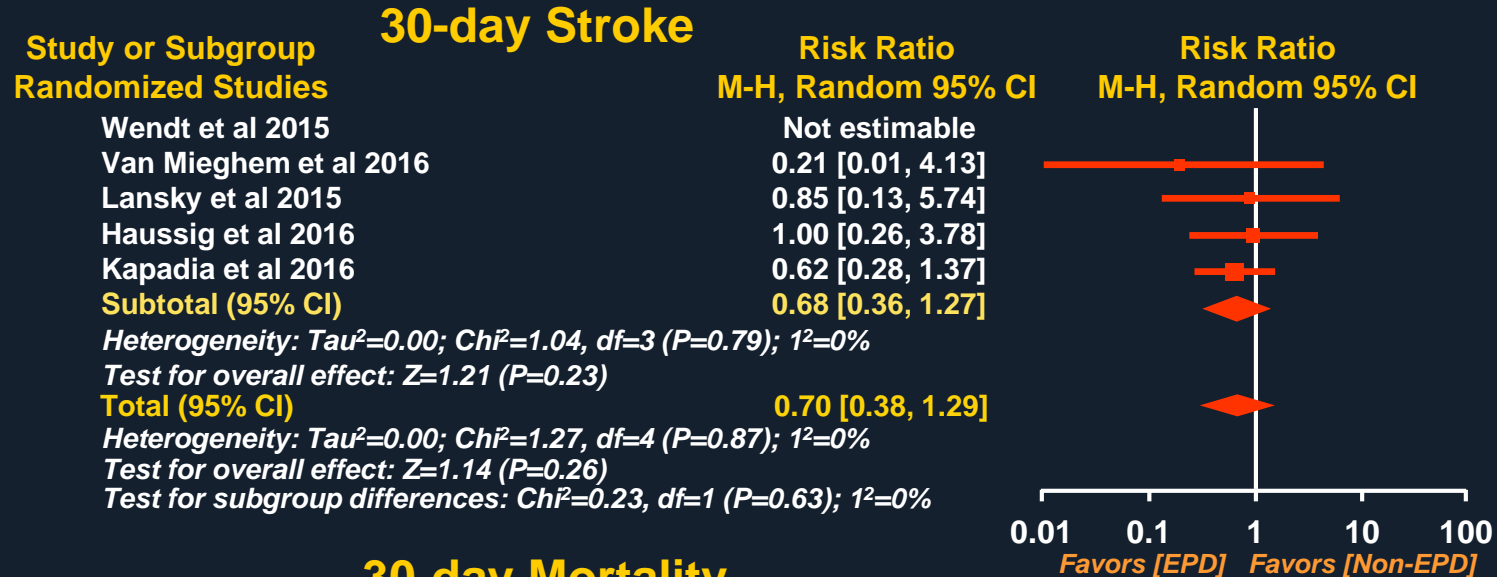
New CRF Meta-analysis

4 RCTs 214 Pts



Meta-analyses of Embolic Protection Device (EPD)

16 Studies, 1,170 Patients
(865/305 with / without EPD)

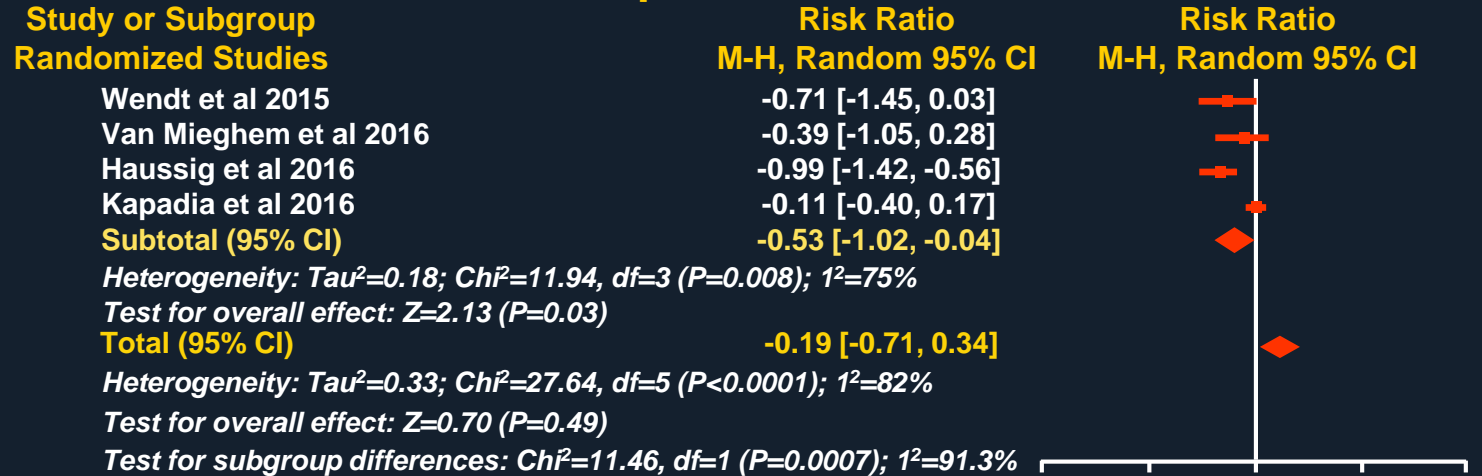


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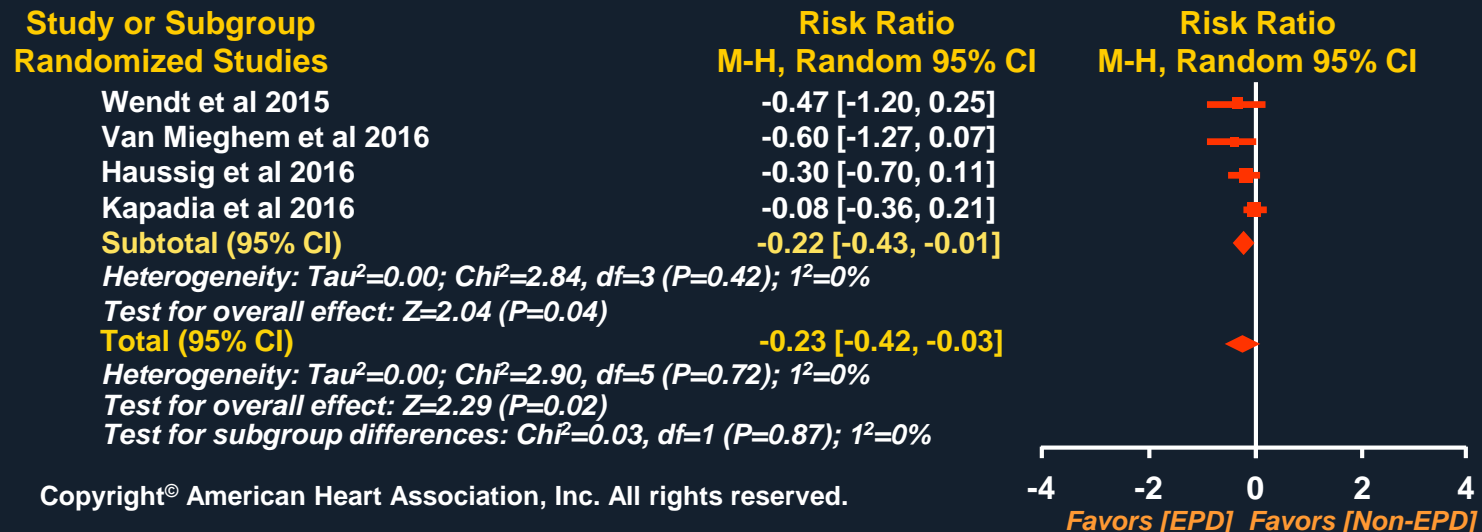
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Number of Lesions per Patient



Total Volume of Lesions per Patient



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- **While the weight of evidence strongly favors EPD in TAVR we are still lacking a single definitive trial of efficacy**
- **We believe the REFLECT Trial provides the field with this best opportunity**

REFLECT US IDE Trial Design

Chair Jeffrey Moses, CO PIs A Lansky, R Makkar (US) and J Schofer, A Baumbach (EU)

DSMB: Dr J Petersen, Dr A Geirsson, Ms H Parise (stats)

CEC: Dr S Messe, Dr J Brennan, Dr J Brener

Subject With AS Undergoing TAVI N=285

Roll-In
N≤90

**2:1
Randomization**

**TriGuard™ Embolic Protection
n=190**

**Unprotected TAVI
n=95**

SAFETY

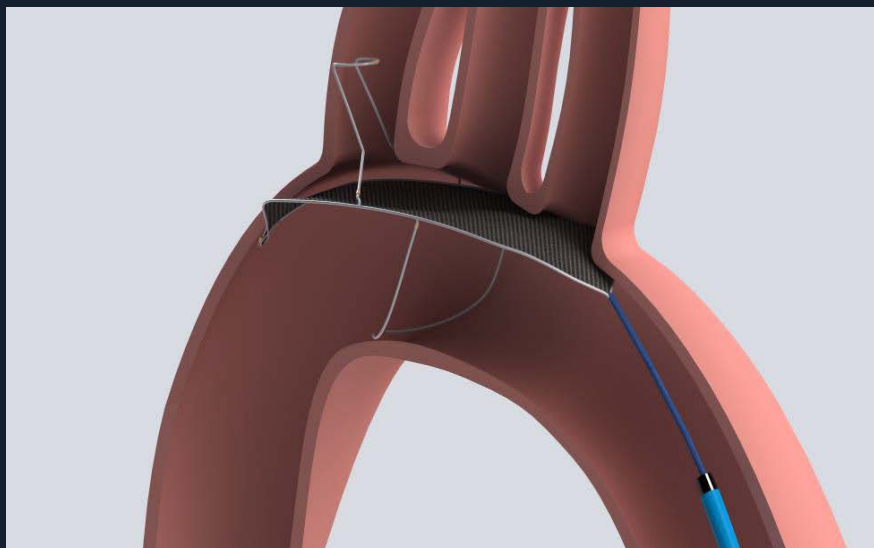
- Combined safety endpoint (VARC-2) at 30 days
- TriGuard™ vs. Performance Goal

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- Hierarchical composite efficacy endpoint (Finkelstein-Schoenfeld):
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 - NIHSS (in-hospital) or MoCA worsening (30 days)
 - Total lesion volume by DW-MRI (post-procedure)
- TriGuard™ vs. Control

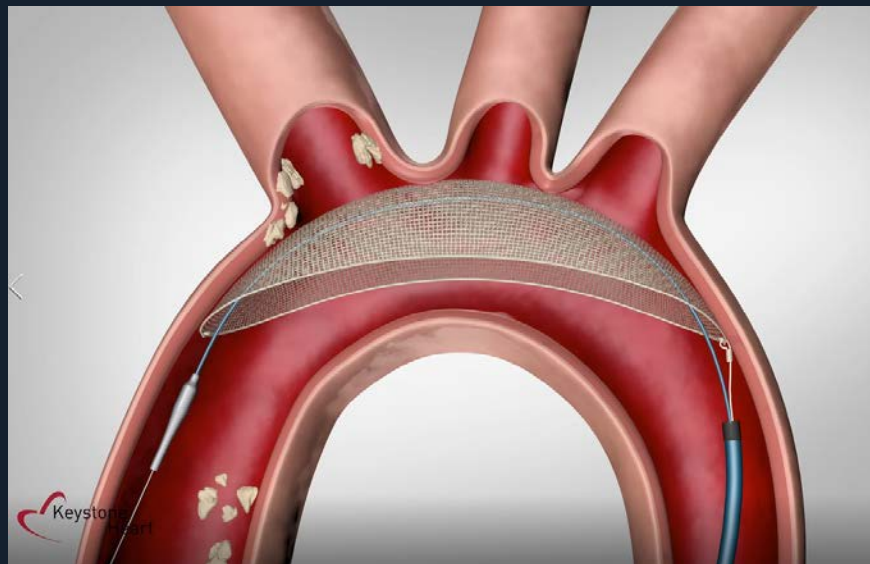
TriGuard HDH vs. TriGUARD 3

TriGuard HDH



- Nitinol frame with upper and lower stabilizers
- Nitinol mesh (pore size 130 x 250 μm)
- Filter area = **20.9 cm^2**
- 9 Fr RX delivery

TriGUARD 3



- Self-positioning, nitinol frame without stabilizers
- PEEK mesh (pore size 115 x 145 μm)
- Filter area = **68.3 cm^2**
- 8 Fr OTW delivery

Identical principle of operation and intended use

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Enrollment in REFLECT has been halted after enrolling a total of 258 subjects (54 roll-ins and 204 randomized subjects including 63 controls) due to the development and production of a new generation device designed for increased efficacy, ease of use, and improved safety- the TriGUARD™ 3.

The Trial design has changed to include a second phase with another intervention arm- patients undergoing TAVR with TriGUARD 3 protection.

• TriGuard™ vs.

Performance Goal

- Death or stroke (30 d)
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• TriGuard™ vs. Control

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Subject With AS Undergoing TAVI

TriGuard™ HDH- Phase I
258 patients enrolled

TriGuard™ 3- Phase II
Up to 265 patients

54
Roll-In
patients

141
Intervention
patients

63
Control
patients

75
Control
patients

150
Intervention
patients

Up to 40
Roll-In
patients

138 Controls
Phase I and II
Combined

Safety Cohort Phase II

REFLECT US IDE Trial Design – Phase II

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EFFICACY

- Hierarchical composite efficacy endpoint (Finkelstein-Schoenfeld):
 - CV death or stroke (30 d)
 - NIHSS worsening (30 days)
 - Freedom from any cerebral ischemic lesions detected by DW-MRI (2-5 days post-procedure)
 - Total volume of cerebral ischemic lesions detected by DW-MRI (2-5 days post-procedure)
- TriGuard™ 3 vs. Control

Conclusions

- **Overt and covert stroke are significant complications of TAVR which may be of greater consequence as we move in to lower risk, younger populations**
- **The weight of evidence indicates that CEP reduces these events**
- **By covering all 3 cerebral vessels TriGuard cerebral embolic protection may further reduce risk**
- **TriGuard cerebral protection is safe and does not add procedural risk**
- **Aim is to resume phase 2 Q1 2018 and hopefully provide definitive evidence of clinical efficacy of EPD in TAVR**