

# **PROTECT STUDY:** **PROTECTed Carotid Artery Stenting in Subjects at High Risk for Carotid Endarterectomy**

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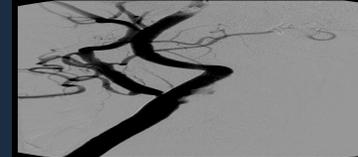
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# SAPPHIRE WW CAS REGISTRY: Results of the First 2001 Patients

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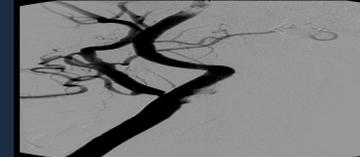
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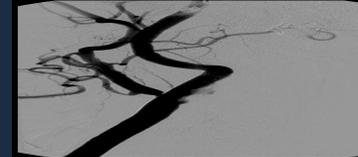
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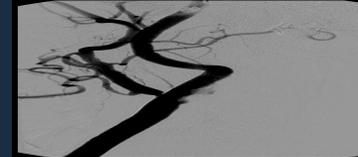
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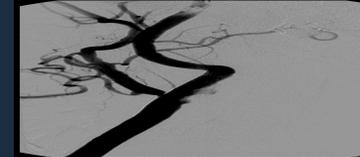
# SAPPHIRE Worldwide

- The objective of the SAPPHIRE Worldwide registry is to evaluate outcomes after CAS performed by physicians with varied experience at multiple centers and utilizing a formal training program
- Data is available on the first 2,001 patients enrolled and followed to 30 days for the overall population and by high-risk inclusion criteria



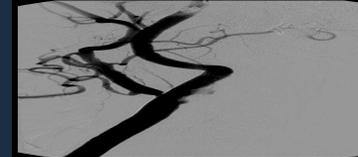
# SAPPHIRE WW: Study Design

- Multicenter, prospective, post-approval registry to evaluate CAS using the Cordis PRECISE<sup>®</sup> Nitinol Stent and ANGIOGUARD<sup>®</sup> XP/RX Emboli Capture Guidewire System
- Patients were included if considered high-risk for adverse events from carotid endarterectomy and met the following criteria:
  - Symptomatic with  $\geq 50\%$  stenosis by ultrasound or angiogram
  - Asymptomatic with  $\geq 80\%$  stenosis by ultrasound or angiogram
  - Vessel diameter 4 - 9 mm at target lesion
  - Vessel distal to target lesion 3 - 7.5 mm for placement of ANGIOGUARD<sup>®</sup>

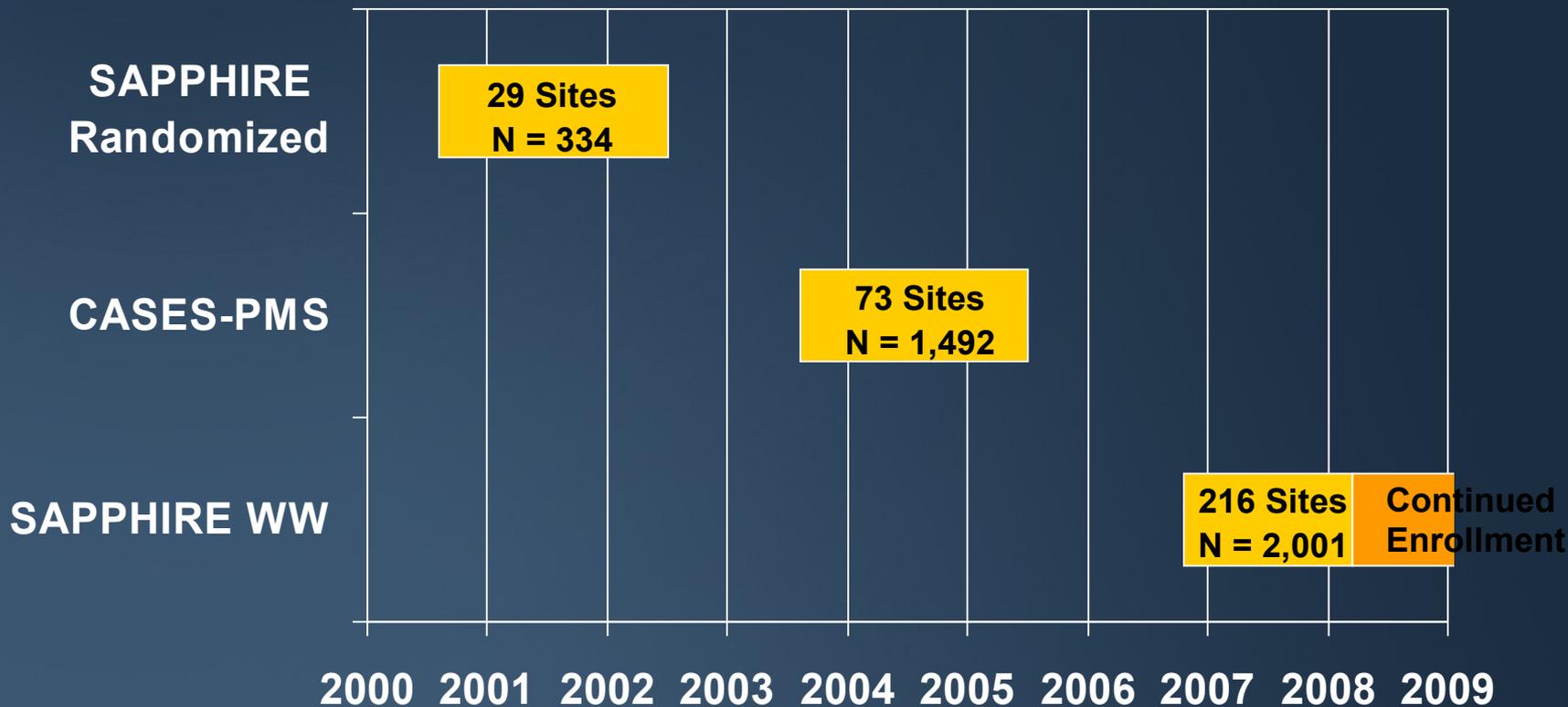


## Study Endpoints

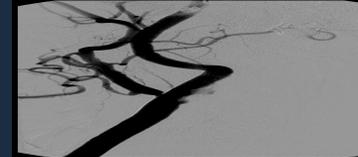
- Major adverse events (MAE) including any death, myocardial infarction or stroke to 30 days after the procedure
- MAE including death, stroke, myocardial infarction, target vessel revascularization, and stent thrombosis will be assessed out to 12 months



# Study Timelines

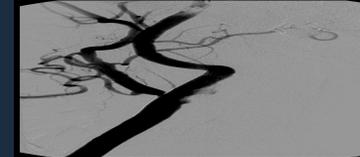


Number of participating sites and CAS patients studied continue to grow



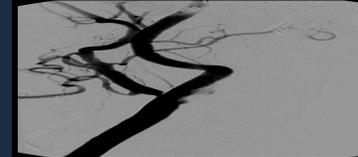
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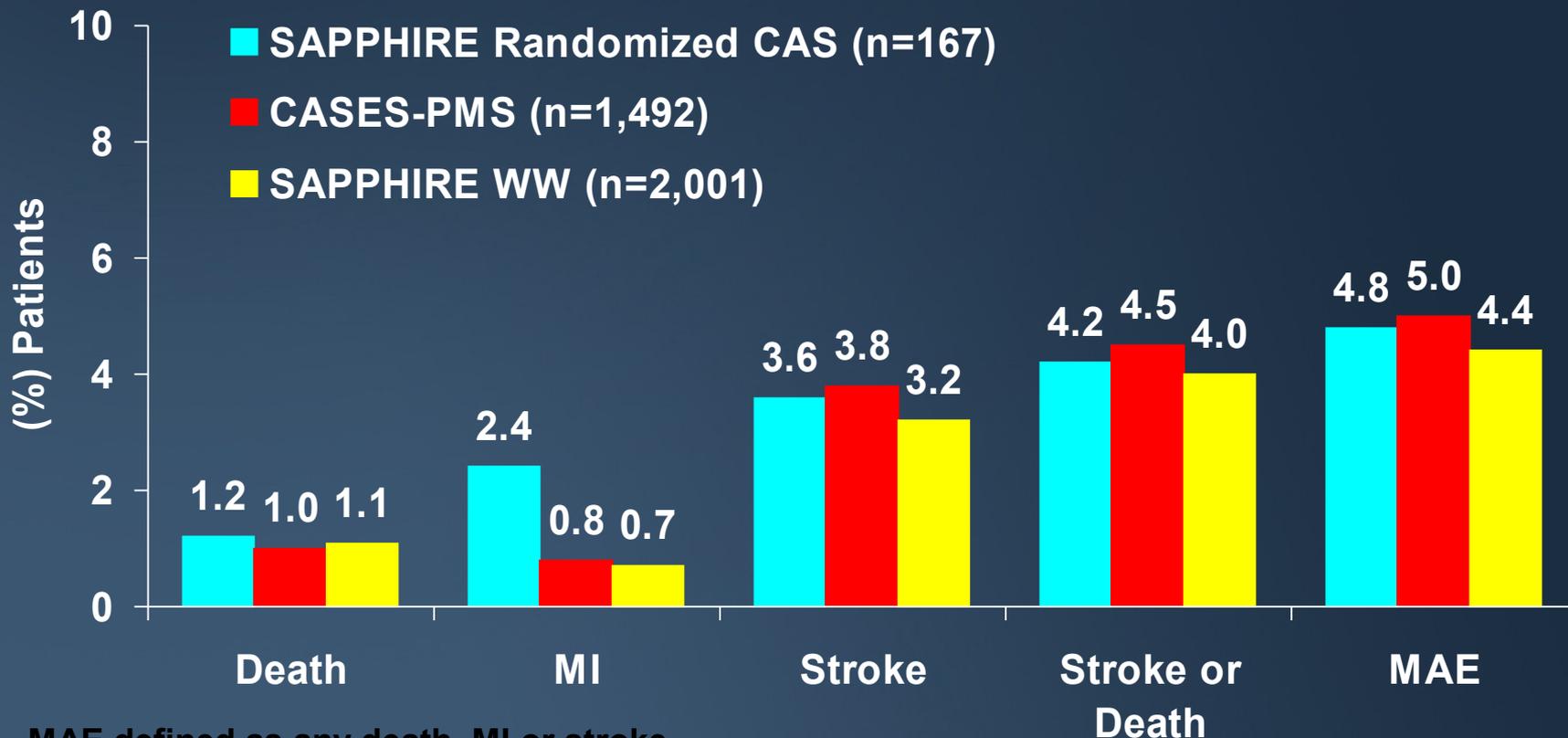


# Baseline Demographics

	SAPPHIRE Randomized CAS N = 167	CASES-PMS N = 1,492	SAPPHIRE WW N = 2,001
Age (years)	72.5 ± 8.3	73.4 ± 9.5	72.2 ± 9.75
Age > 80 years	19.3%	25.9%	26.0%
Male	66.9%	62.7%	62.0%
Symptomatic	29.9%	21.8%	27.7%
Renal insufficiency (creatinine > 2.5mg/dl)	6.0%	6.5%	5.0%
History of Hypertension	85.5%	90.3%	81.9%
Diabetes Mellitus	25.3%	35.4%	33.3%
History of MI	29.7%	35.6%	20.8%
Prior PCI	34.8%	36.9%	19.3%
History of Cardiac Arrhythmia	15.9%	26.5%	15.5%
Previous PTA (carotid)	1.2%	3.5%	3.3%
Prior CEA	28.3%	29.9%	26.2%
History of TIA	31.1%	27.4%	21.6%
History of Stroke	27.1%	26.3%	21.0%

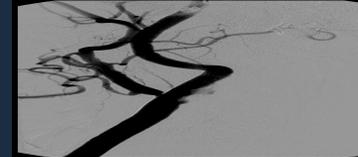


# Major Adverse Events at 30 Days: SAPPHIRE vs. CASES vs. SAPPHIRE WW

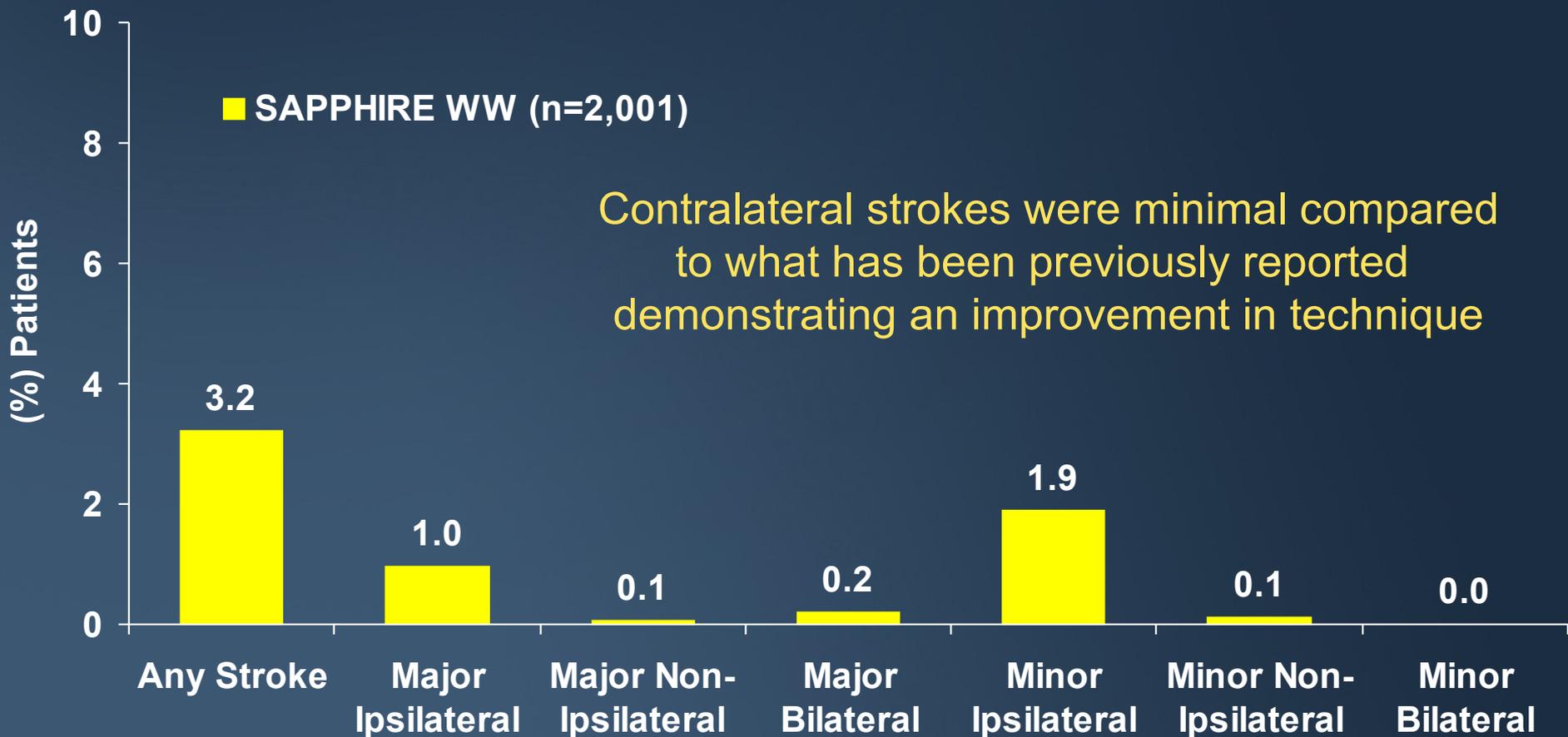


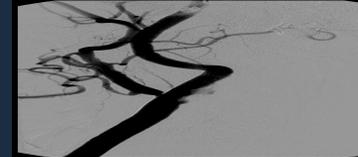
MAE defined as any death, MI or stroke

Note: Collection of cardiac enzymes differed among all three studies

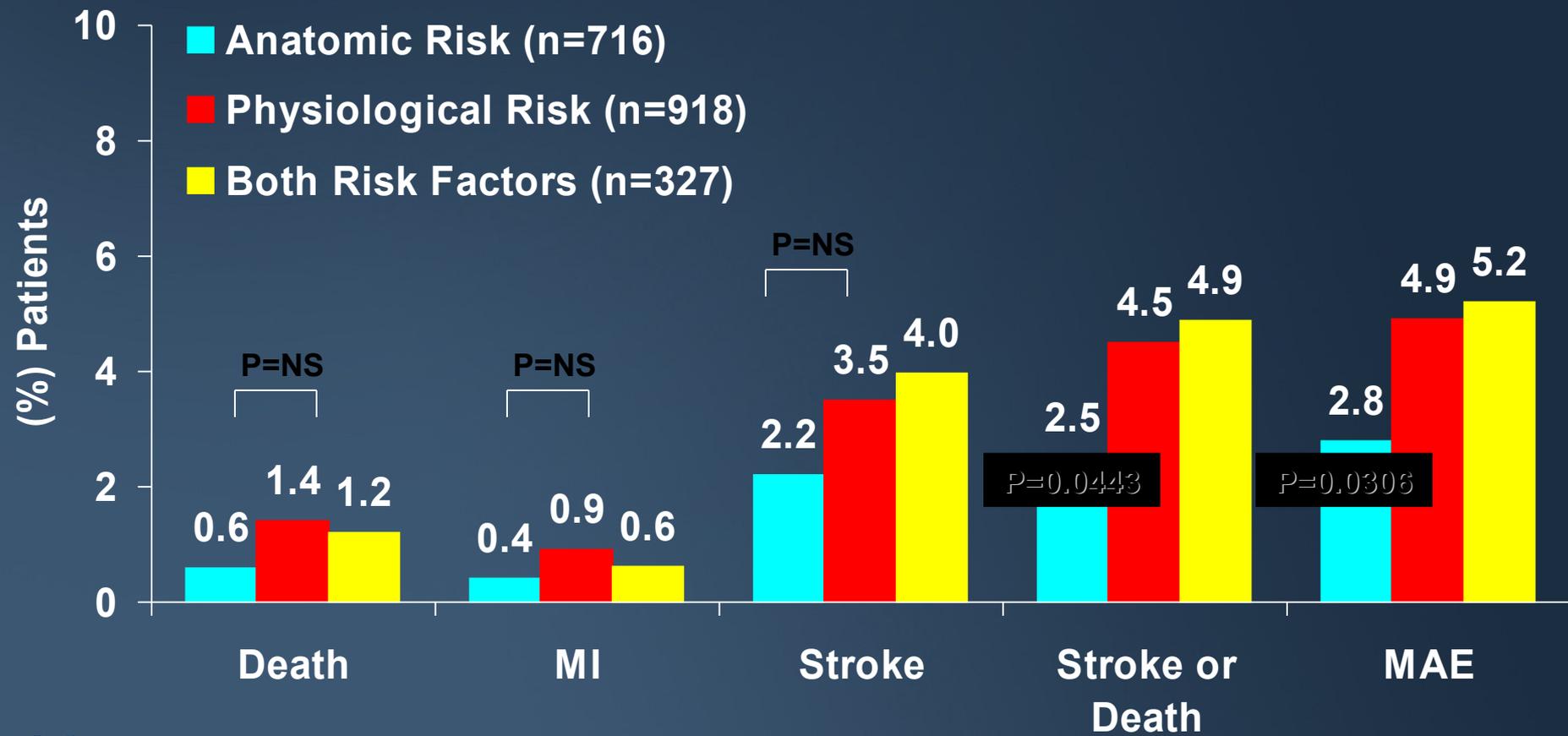


# Stroke at 30 Days: SAPPHIRE WW – All Patients

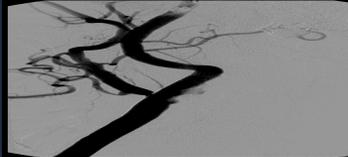




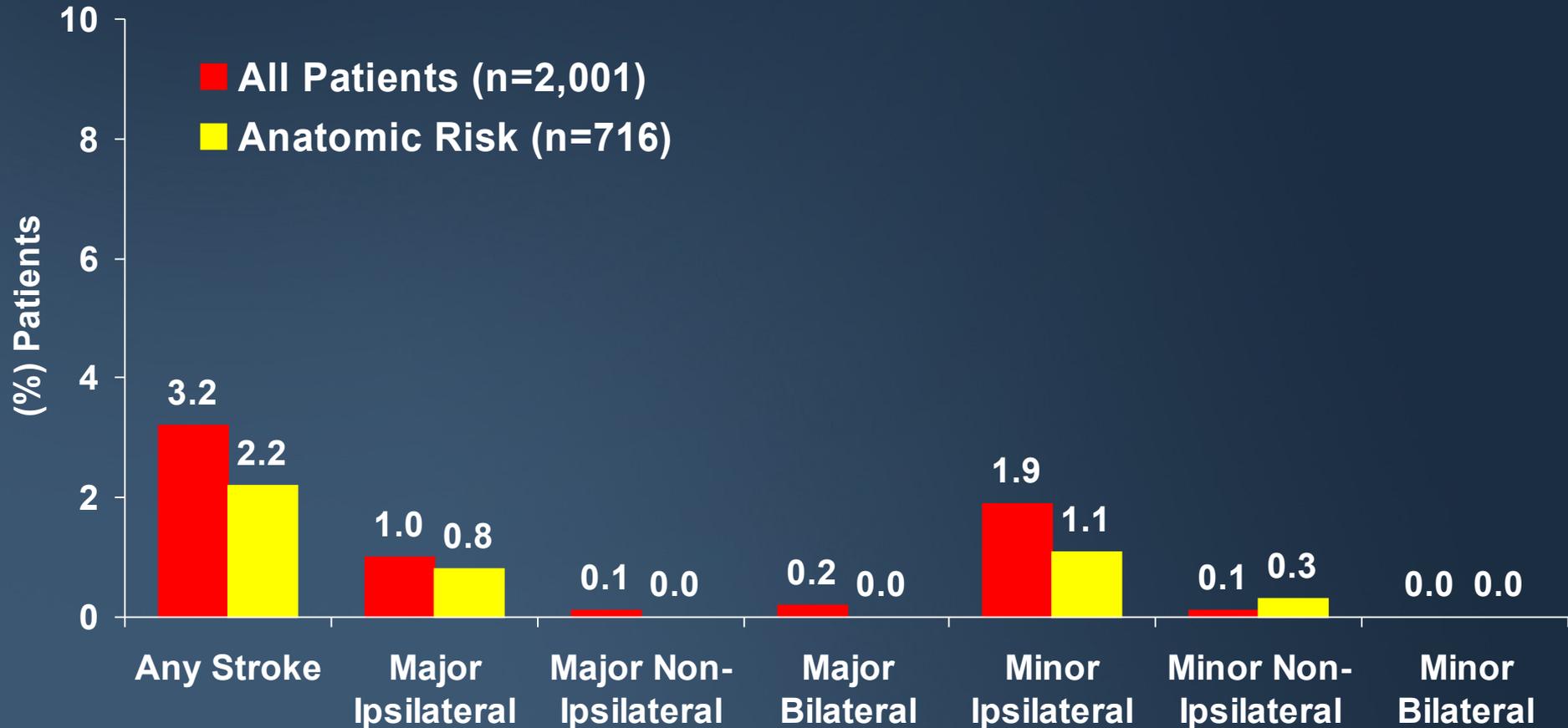
# Major Adverse Events at 30 Days: Anatomic Risk vs. Physiologic Risk

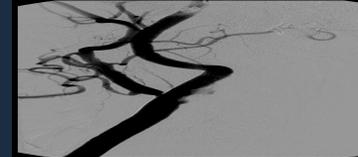


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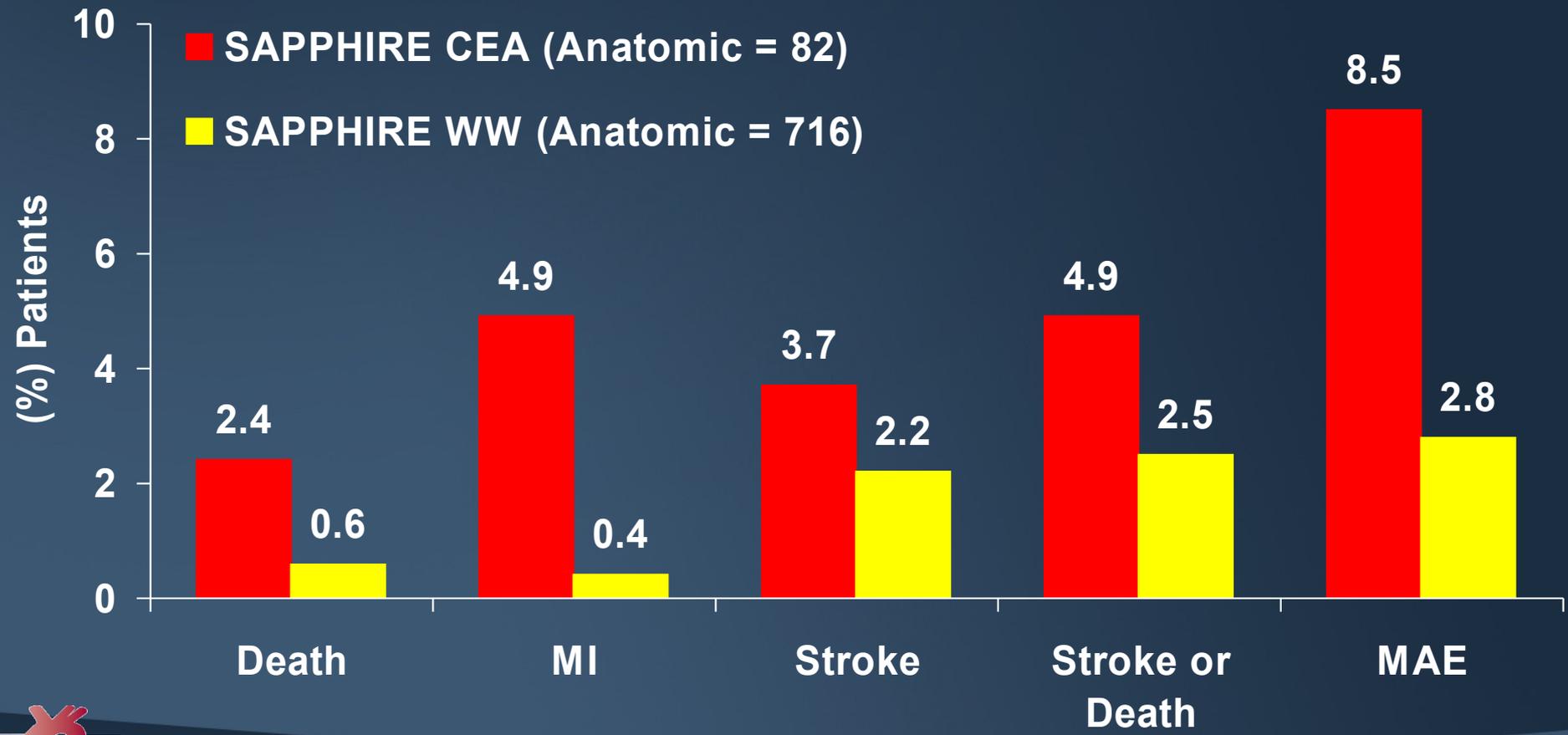


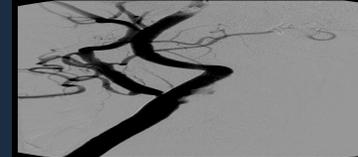
## All Patients vs. Patients with Anatomic Risk



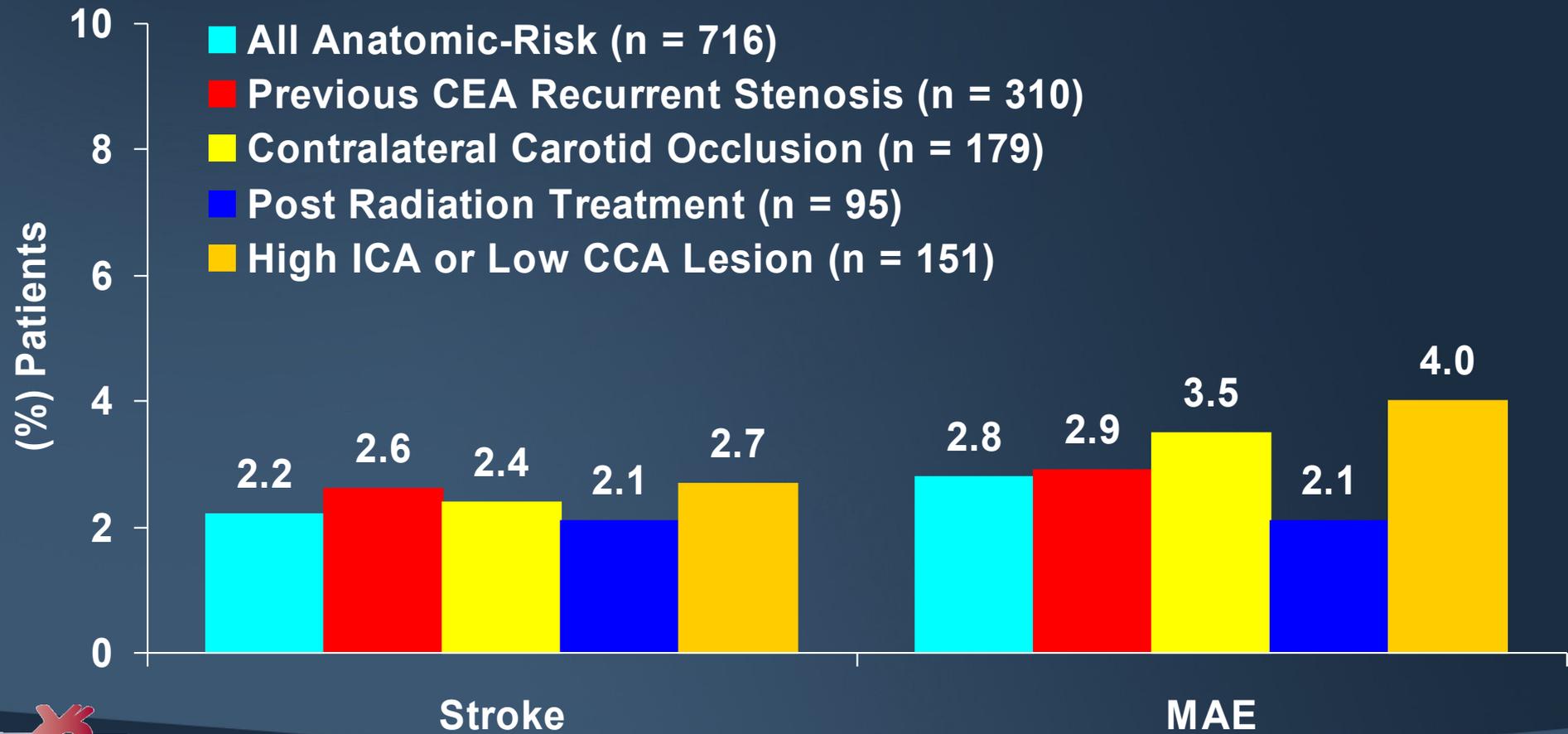


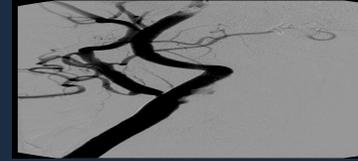
# MAE at 30 Days: Anatomic Risk SAPHIRE CEA vs. SAPHIRE WW





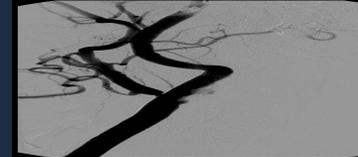
# Major Adverse Events at 30 Days: Anatomic Risk Variables



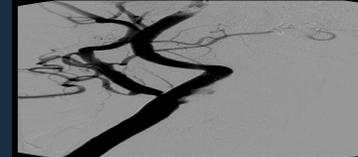


# Conclusions

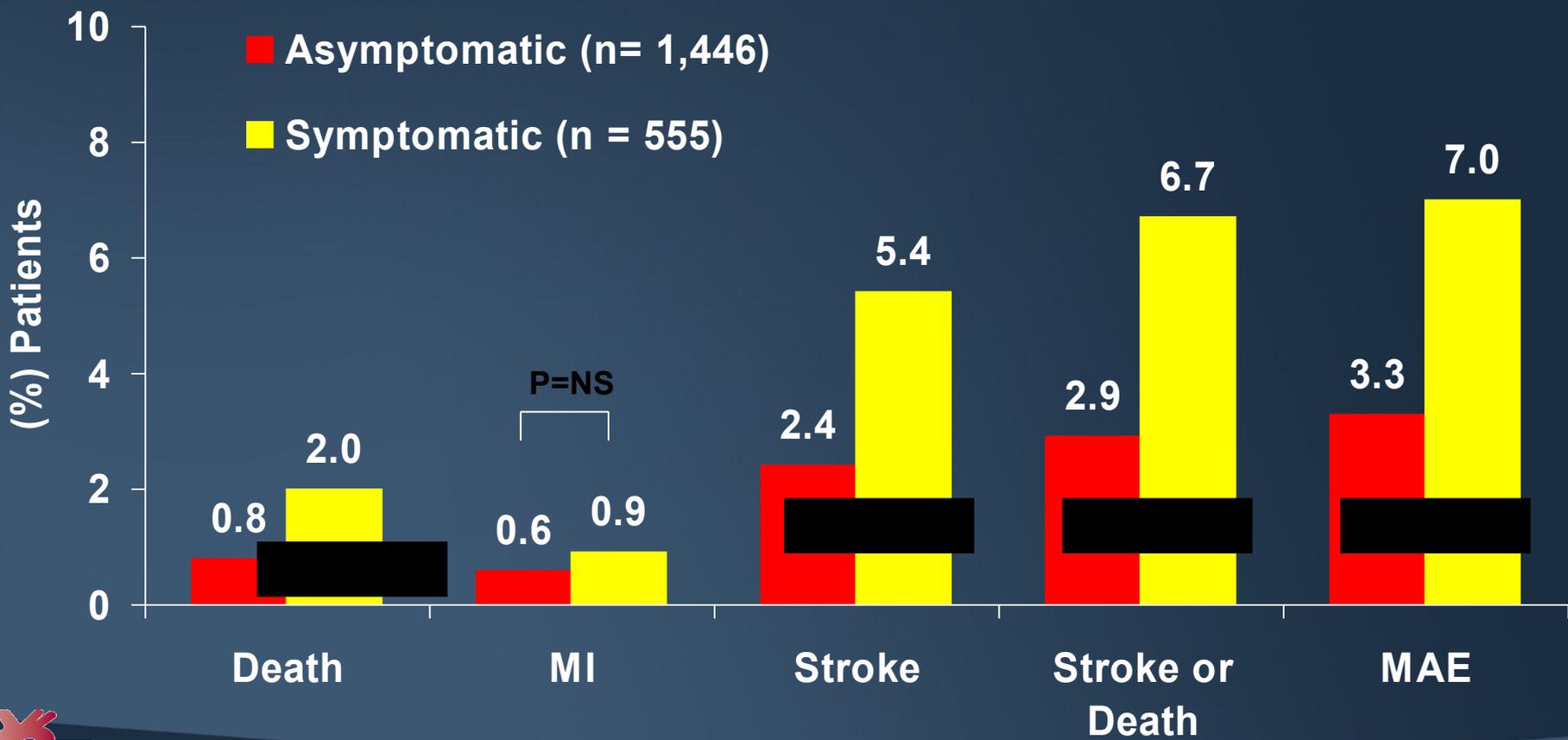
- While the number of physicians performing CAS continues to increase, major adverse event rates seen in this registry (4.4%) are well within an acceptable range, as was first seen in the SAPPHIRE randomized trial (4.8%)
- A significant decrease in MAE was seen in patients with anatomical risk factors compared with patients with physiological risk factors (2.8% vs. 4.9%,  $p=0.0306$ ), respectively
- The SAPPHIRE WW registry supports the use of CAS as an alternative to carotid endarterectomy, especially in patients who are at high-risk for surgery due to anatomical risk factors



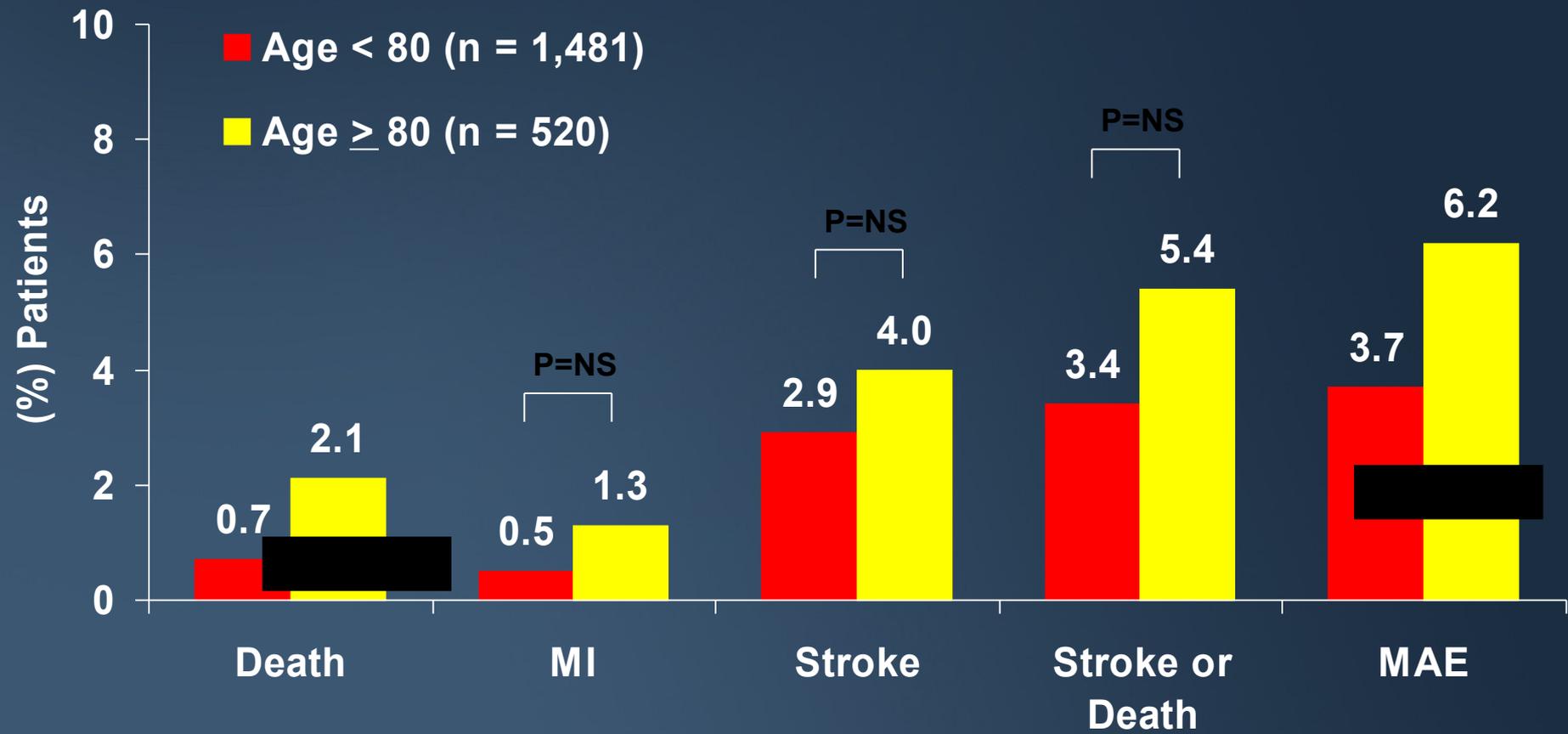
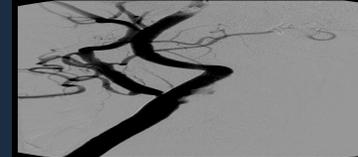
# 30-Day Outcomes by Other Subgroups



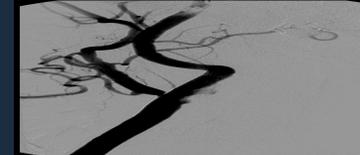
# Major Adverse Events at 30 Days: Asymptomatic vs. Symptomatic



# Major Adverse Events at 30 Days: Age < 80 vs. ≥ 80 Years

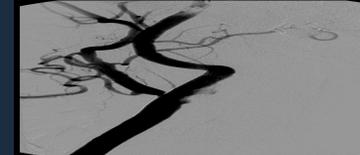


# Conclusions (1)



- MAE rates were significantly lower in asymptomatic patients compared with symptomatic patients (3.3% vs. 7.0%,  $p=0.0005$ ), however, perioperative stroke or death in both groups are comparable to the historical carotid endarterectomy trials
- As expected, patients  $\geq 80$  years had a significantly higher rate of MAE than younger patients (6.2% vs. 3.7%,  $p=0.0240$ ), increased by the significant number of deaths in the  $\geq 80$  population

# Conclusions (2)



- Multivariate predictors of both MAE and stroke at 30 days included symptomatic status, as well as several other physiological risk factors
- Further enrollment and follow-up will continue to provide evidence in support of optimal patient selection, lesion criteria, and operator experience in performing CAS in this high-risk population

# PROTECT: Purpose of the trial

- **Sponsor:** Abbott Vascular
- **Purpose:**
  - Pivotal IDE trial assessment of the Generation 5 Emboshield Pro Rapid Exchange Embolic Protection
  - Fulfill the long-term follow-up requirement of the Xact stent PMA conditions of approval: 3-year follow-up on at least 305 subjects
- **Analysis Cohort:**
  - Enrollment completed in 20 months (Nov 2006-June 2008); 274 patient cohort with 30 day follow-up analysis of embolic protection presented here.
  - 3 year Xact stent follow-up ongoing (n=322)



# PROTECT: Design, conduct, and endpoints

- **Design:**
  - Prospective, single-arm registry for patients with carotid stenosis anatomic or physiologic high surgical risk features
  - Stenosis: Symptomatic >50% or asymptomatic >80%
- **Study requirements:**
  - Neurologic exam pre-enrollment, 24 hour, 30 day and annually (3 years) performed by an independent neurologist
  - Independent adjudication of neurological events by a CEC
  - Independent outcome monitoring by the DSMB
- **1° Endpoints:** OPC based on 30-day MAE rates of SECuRITY, SAPPHIRE, ARCHeR, BEACH and MAVeRIC
  - For Emboshield® Pro Rapid Exchange Embolic Protection System: 30-day composite rate of DSMI for first 220 consecutively enrolled subjects.
  - For Xact stent: Composite 30-day DSMI, plus ipsilateral strokes from 31-365 days and annually (3) years.



# Anatomic high surgical risk features

- Previous radiation treatment to the neck or radical neck dissection
- Target lesion is at or above the second vertebral body C2 (level of jaw)
- Inability to extend the head due to cervical arthritis or other cervical disorders
- Tracheostomy or tracheal stoma
- Laryngectomy
- Contralateral laryngeal nerve palsy
- Severe tandem lesions

# Physiologic high surgical risk features

- Previous CEA with significant restenosis
- Total occlusion of the contralateral carotid artery
- Dialysis dependent renal failure
- CCSA Class III or higher or unstable angina. Requires coronary artery bypass surgery, cardiac valve surgery, peripheral vascular surgery, or abdominal aortic aneurysm repair within 60 days
- ▽  $\geq 80$  years of age
- Myocardial infarction within previous 6 weeks
- Severe pulmonary disease, including at least one:
  - requires chronic O<sub>2</sub> therapy
  - resting PO<sub>2</sub>  $\leq 60$  mm Hg
  - Hematocrit  $\geq 50\%$ ,
  - FEV<sub>1</sub> or DLCO  $\leq 50\%$  of normal

# 36 investigative sites in US

- Pinnacle Health Hospital, Harrisburg, PA
- Lenox Hill Hospital, New York, NY
- Washington Hospital, Fremont, CA
- Our Lady of Lourdes Medical Center, Camden, NJ
- Austin Heart P.A., Austin, TX
- Memorial Hospital Jacksonville, Jacksonville, FL
- St. Joseph's Medical Center, Wyomissing, PA
- Millard Fillmore Hospital-Kaleida Health Systems, Buffalo, NY
- El Camino Hospital, Mountain View, CA
- Stanford University Medical Center, Stanford, CA
- Chesapeake General Hospital, Norfolk, VA
- Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian, Newport Beach, CA
- Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA
- Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne, IN
- St. John's Hospital, Springfield, IL
- Memorial Medical Center, Springfield, IL
- Baptist Hospital of East Tennessee, Knoxville, TN
- Washington Adventist Hospital, Takoma Park, MD
- Hawaii Permanente Medical Group-Kaiser Foundation Hospital, Honolulu, HI
- Greenville Memorial Medical Center, Greenville, SC
- St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital, Houston, TX
- Terrebonne General Medical Center, Houma, LA
- St. Luke's Medical Center, Milwaukee, WI
- Lakeland Regional Medical Center, Lakeland, FL
- Genesys Regional Medical Center, Grand Blanc, MI
- Oregon Health & Science University, Portland, OR
- St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, MI
- University of Connecticut Health Center, Farmington, CT
- Northwestern University Memorial Hospital, Chicago, IL
- Bon Secours St. Mary's Hospital, Richmond, VA
- McLaren Regional Medical Center, Flint, MI
- St. Vincent Hospital and Health Care Center, Indianapolis, IN
- William Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak, MI
- Presbyterian Hospital of Dallas, Dallas, TX
- Wake Medical Hospital, Raleigh, NC
- Holston Valley Medical Center, Kingsport, TN
- St. Michael's Medical Center, Newark, NJ
- Lehigh Valley Hospital, Allentown, PA



# PROTECT: Patient Demographics

Characteristic	PROTECT N=274	SECURITY N=305	ARCHeR N=581
Mean Age	72.3	74.5	72.6
Age ≥ 80	28.8	34	15.5%
% Symptomatic	12.1%	21%	23.8%
% Male	67.6%	64%	67.1%
Diabetes Mellitus	29.9%	31%	37.9%
Hypertension	87.2%	87%	83.8%
Hypercholesterolemia	86.5%	74%	72.6%
CHF	19.3%	6%	33.6%
Anatomic §	16.0%	NA	19.3%
Current Smoker	16.8%	NA	19.3%
PVD	38.0%	NA	36.6%
Renal Failure	3.3%	NA	2.9%

§ Excluding co-morbidities



# PROTECT: Patient Demographics

Characteristic	CAPTURE N=4225	EXACT N=2232	CAPTURE 2 N=4356
Mean Age	72.7	72.5	72.5
Age ≥ 80	23.4%	23.9%	22.5%
% Symptomatic	13.8%	10.3%	13.2%
% Male	60.8%	63.2%	61.7%
Diabetes Mellitus	34.9%	34.7%	36.2%
Hypertension	88.4%	89.5%	89.7%
Hypercholesterolemia	78.0%	74.4%	88.6%
CHF	16.3%	18.3%	17.9%
Anatomic §	11.4%	10.6%	20.5%
Current Smoker	21.0%	19.6%	23.3%
PVD	37.4%	44.8%	46.2%
Renal Failure	8.2%	7.2%	3.0%

§ Excluding co-morbidities



# PROTECT

Primary endpoint: 30-day major adverse events

EVENT	PROTECT (N=274)
Death, Stroke and MI*	1.8% (12% OPC)
Death#	0.4%
All Stroke#	1.5%
Major Stroke#	0.4%
Minor Stroke#	1.1%
MI#	0.4%
All Stroke and Death*	1.5%
Major Stroke and Death*	0.4%

\*Hierarchical- Includes only the most serious event for each patient and includes only each patient first occurrence of each event.

#Non-hierarchical-represents each event even in patients with multiple events

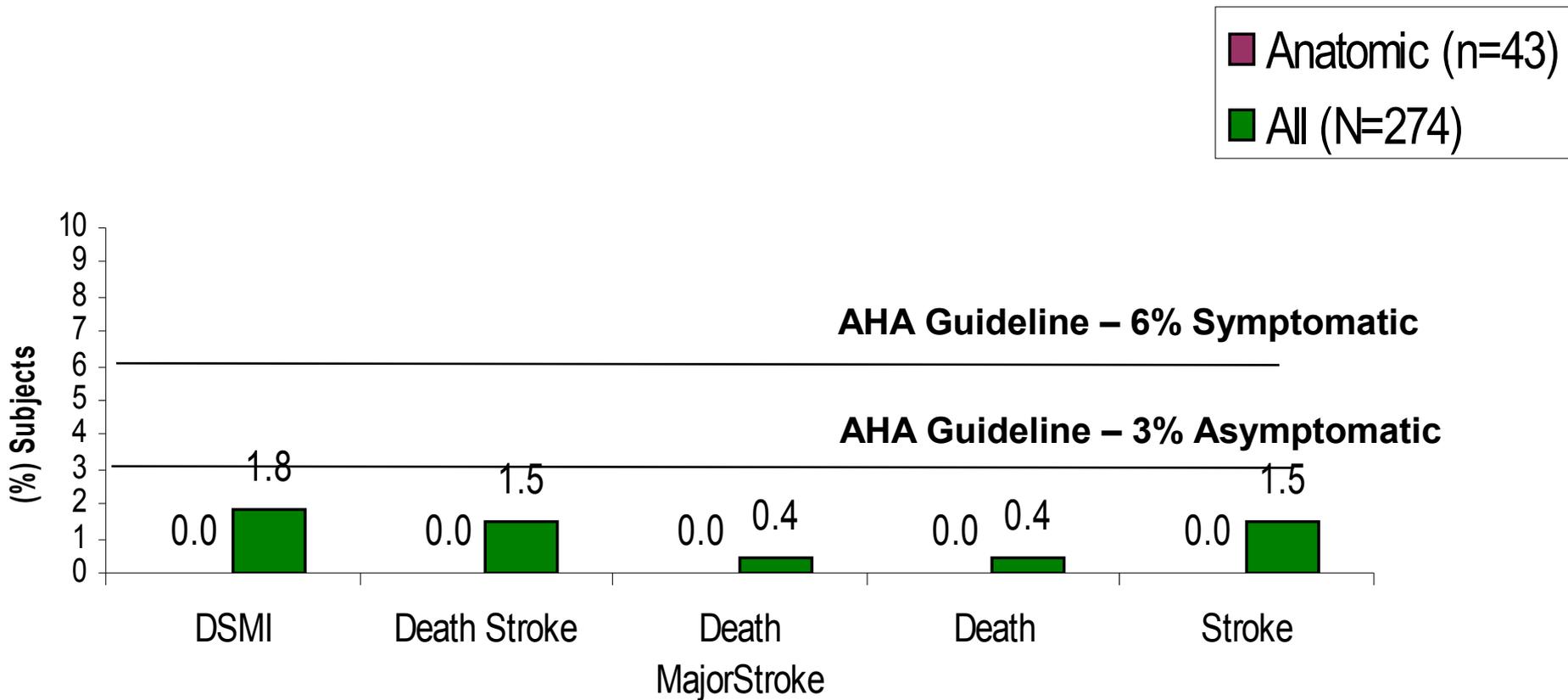
# PROTECT

Secondary endpoint: 30-day major adverse events

EVENT	PROTECT (N=274)	
Non-Hierarchical		
<b>TIA and Amaurosis Fugax<sup>#</sup></b>	<b>2.9%</b>	
	<b>TIA<sup>#</sup></b>	<b>2.9%</b>
	<b>Amaurosis Fugax<sup>#</sup></b>	<b>0.4%</b>

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# Total and anatomic subset vs. AHA guidelines for CEA

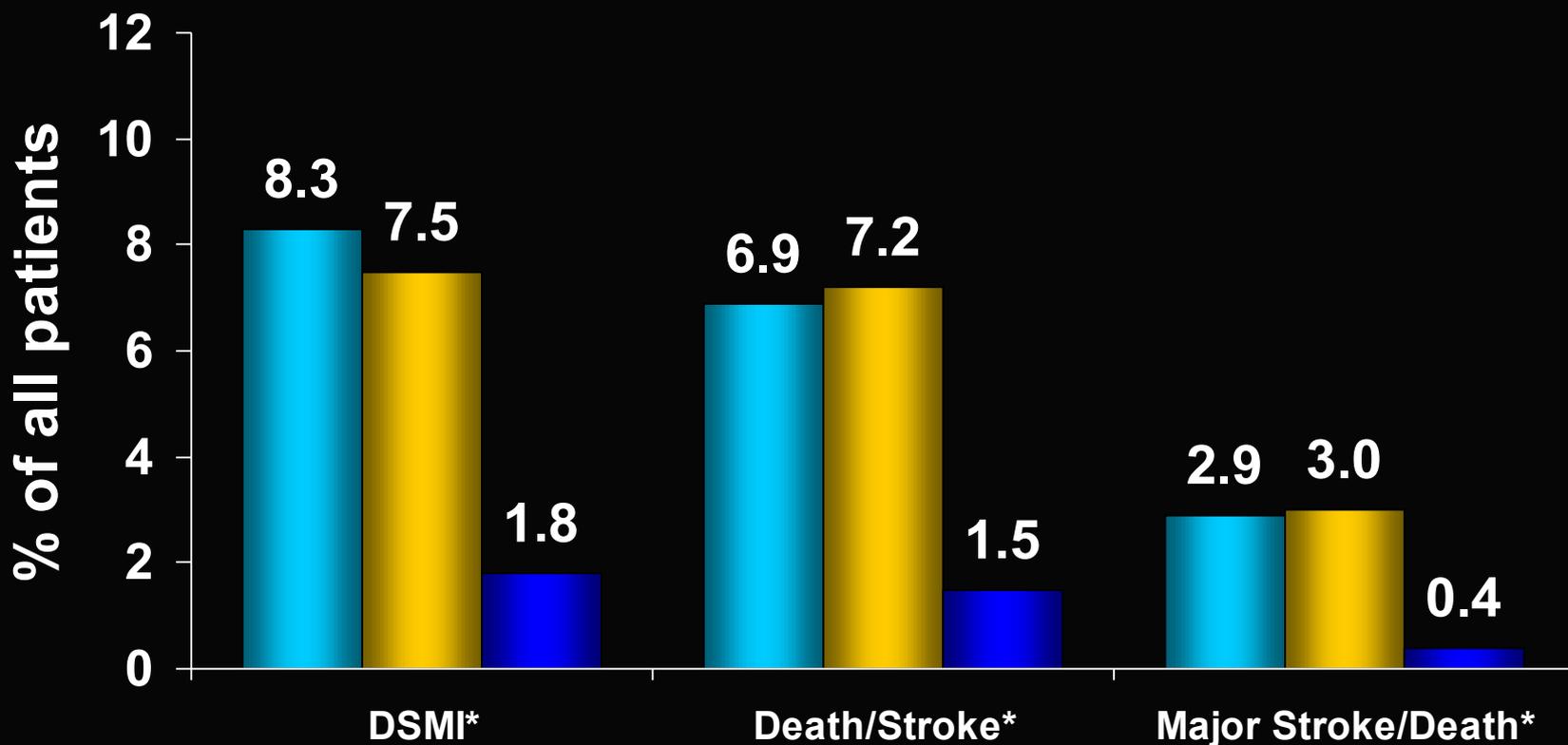


The anatomic subgroup does not include co-morbidities.

All age included.

# Pivotal (IDE) trial 30 day outcomes ARChER, SECuRITY, and PROTECT

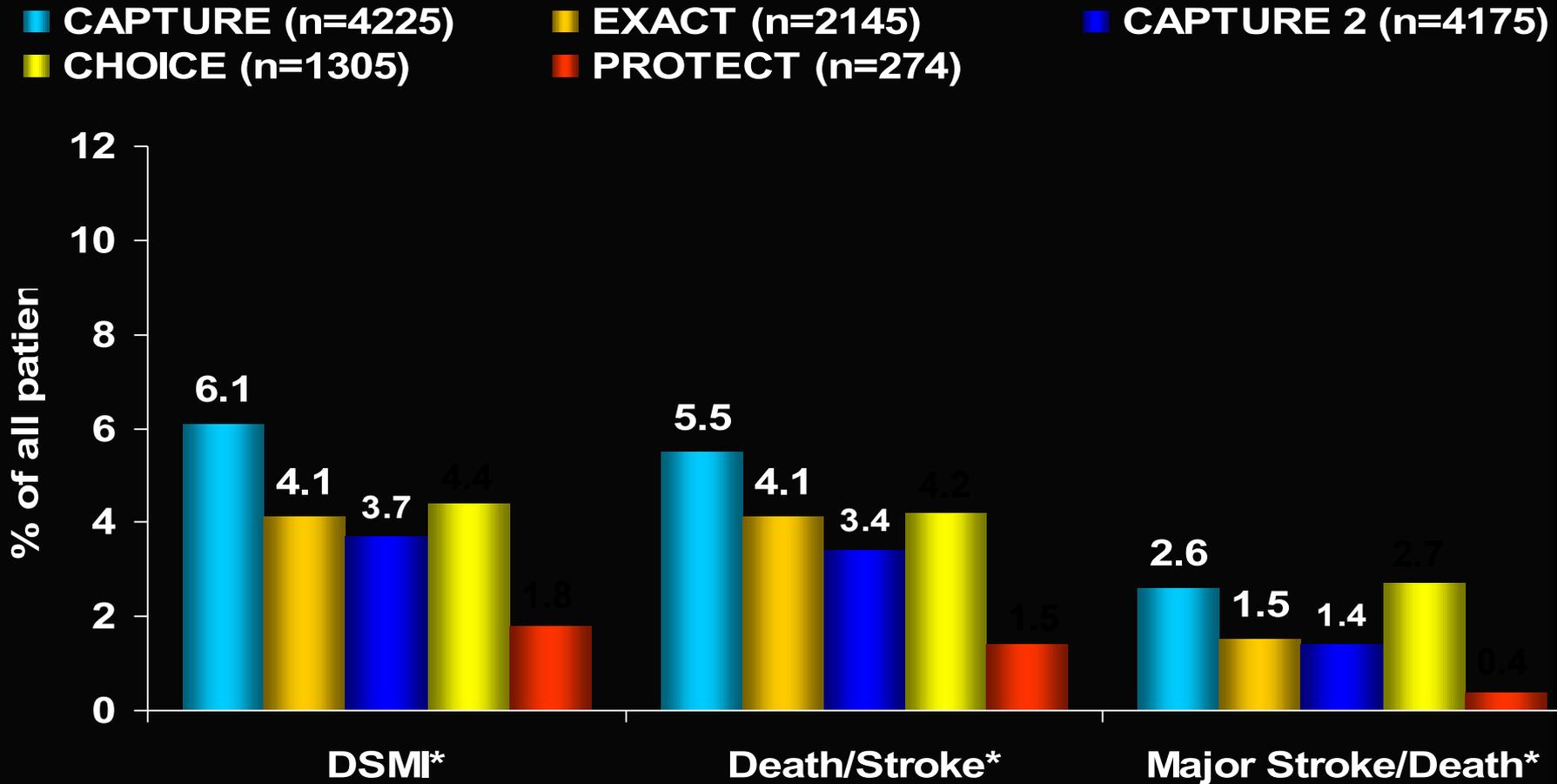
■ ARChER (n=581) ■ SECuRITY (n=305) ■ PROTECT (n=274)



Hierarchical Events – includes only the most serious event for each patient and includes only each patient's first occurrence of each event.



# Post-market approval studies vs. PROTECT: 30 day outcomes



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# PROTECT: Conclusions

- 30 day primary outcome for PROTECT demonstrate non-inferiority with pre-specified OPC comparator
  - Next generation embolic protection proven safe and effective in preventing periprocedural stroke
- PROTECT enrolled similar subjects compared to prior IDE studies, except with fewer symptomatic patients

# PROTECT: Conclusions

- Total, anatomic and physiologic subsets all achieved/exceeded AHA guidelines established for standard risk CEA
- Continuing improvement in outcomes for IDE studies is demonstrated
  - Improvement is also noted with more contemporary post-market studies