

Strokes After TAVR

**Incidence (past and present)
Multi-factorial Origin**

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EDITORIALS



Transcatheter Aortic-Valve Implantation — At What Price?

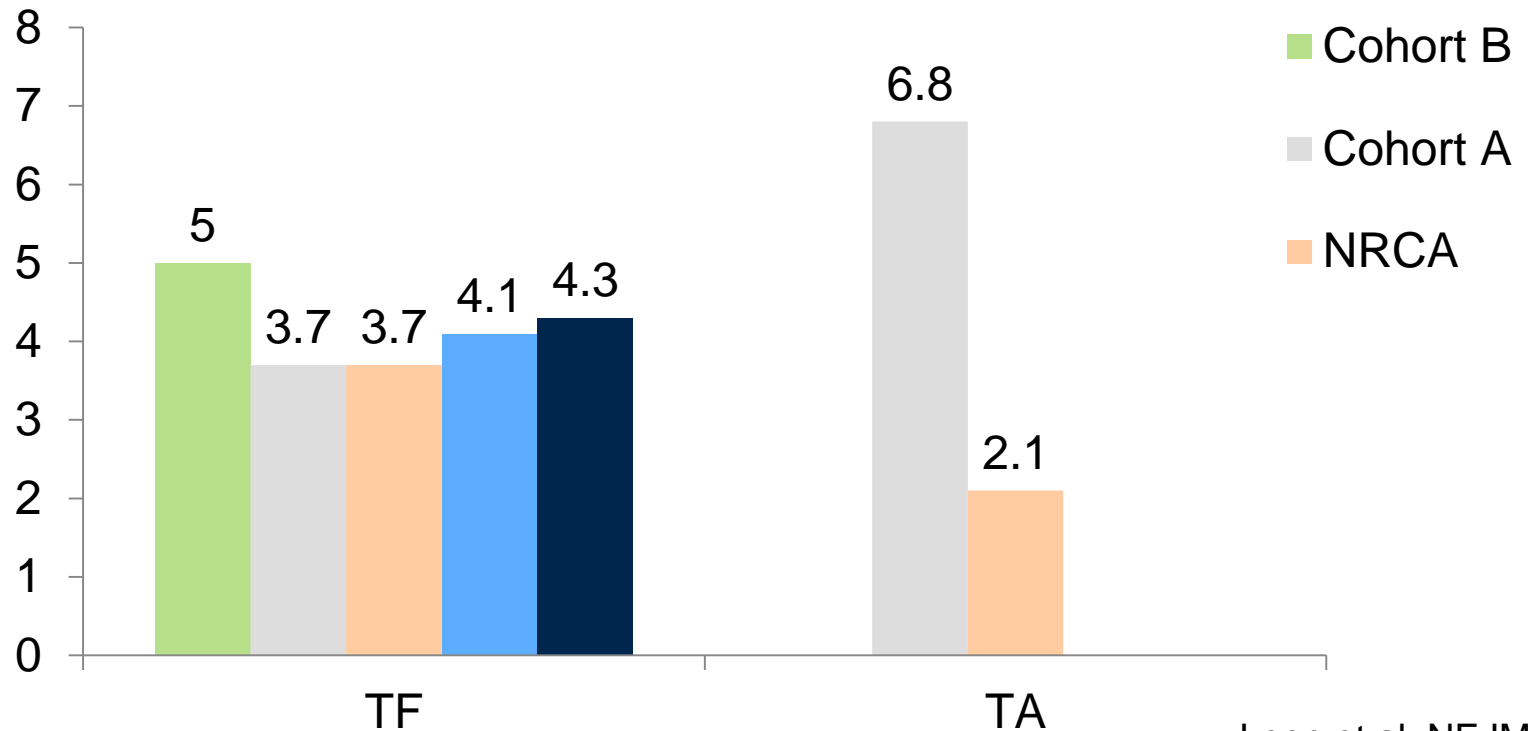
Hartzell V. Schaff, M.D.

In 2000, Bonhoeffer et al. described transvenous placement of a pulmonary-valve prosthesis and speculated that similar technology might be used in other cardiac valves, including the aortic position.¹ Two years later, the first transcatheter insertion of an aortic-valve prosthesis was performed by Cribier et al.² Transcatheter aortic-valve

patients who are eligible for transfemoral insertion and may decrease vascular injury.

But the increased risk of stroke associated with transcatheter replacement, as compared with surgical replacement, is a special concern. Smith and colleagues report a 5.5% risk of stroke or transient ischemic attack within 30 days after

30 Days - All Stroke from PARTNER Trials



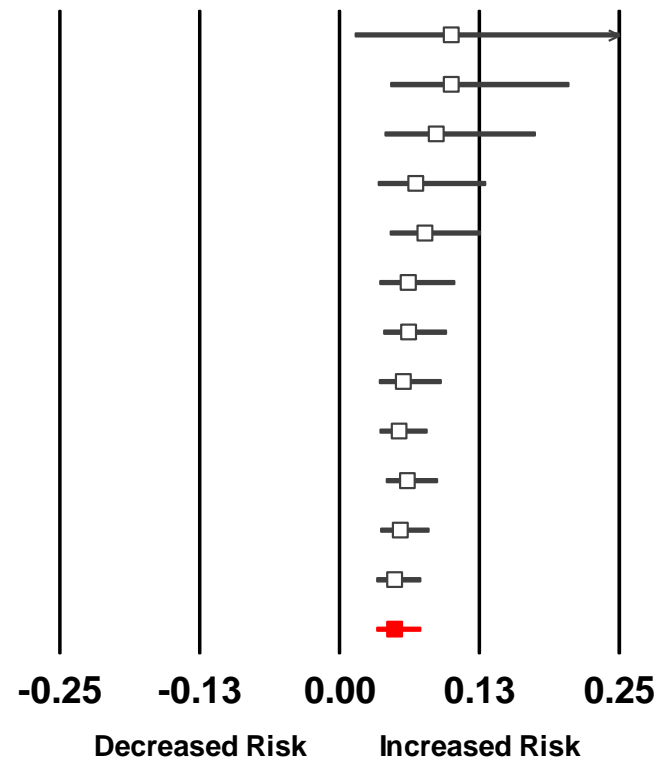
Leon et al, NEJM
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Dewey et al, STS 2012

Stroke : Feasibility Trials

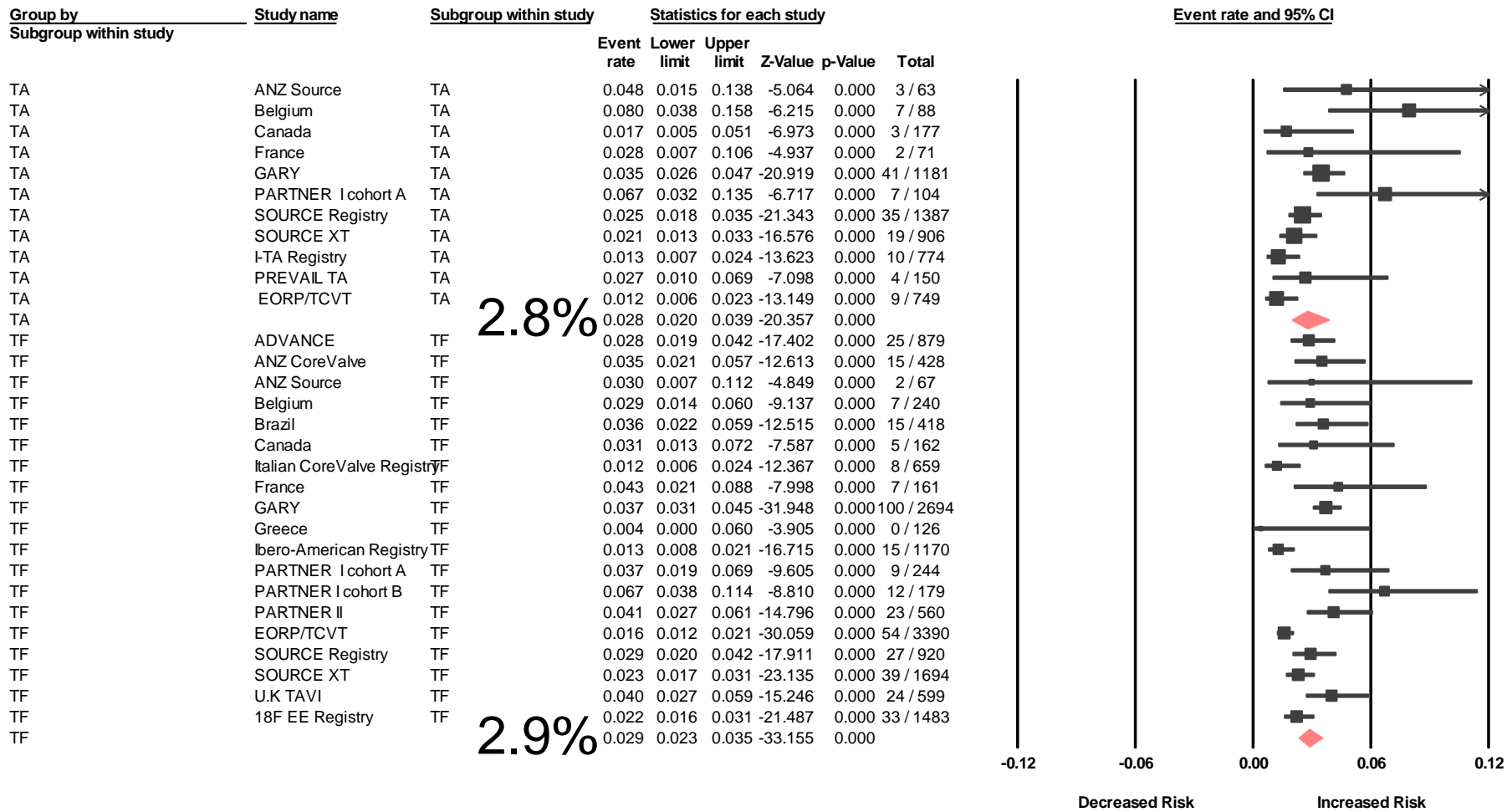
<u>Study name</u>	<u>Cumulative statistics</u>					
	Point	Lower limit	Upper limit	Z-Value	p-Value	Total
24 F	0.100	0.014	0.467	-2.084	0.037	1 / 10
21 F	0.100	0.046	0.205	-5.106	0.000	6 / 60
Walther***	0.087	0.041	0.175	-5.721	0.000	6 / 90
Walther **	0.068	0.034	0.131	-7.108	0.000	8 / 149
REVIVAL	0.076	0.045	0.126	-8.765	0.000	13 / 204
REVIVE 2	0.061	0.036	0.103	-9.466	0.000	16 / 310
REVIVAL 2	0.062	0.039	0.096	-11.244	0.000	18 / 350
Walther*	0.057	0.035	0.091	-10.909	0.000	18 / 400
Vancouver Exp	0.053	0.036	0.078	-13.662	0.000	25 / 568
18 F	0.061	0.042	0.088	-13.517	0.000	37 / 694
PARTNER EU	0.054	0.037	0.080	-13.533	0.000	40 / 824
Traverce	0.049	0.033	0.073	-13.969	0.000	44 / 992

4.9%

Cumulative event rate (95% CI)



In hospital or 30 day stroke TA versus TF (Major Registries)

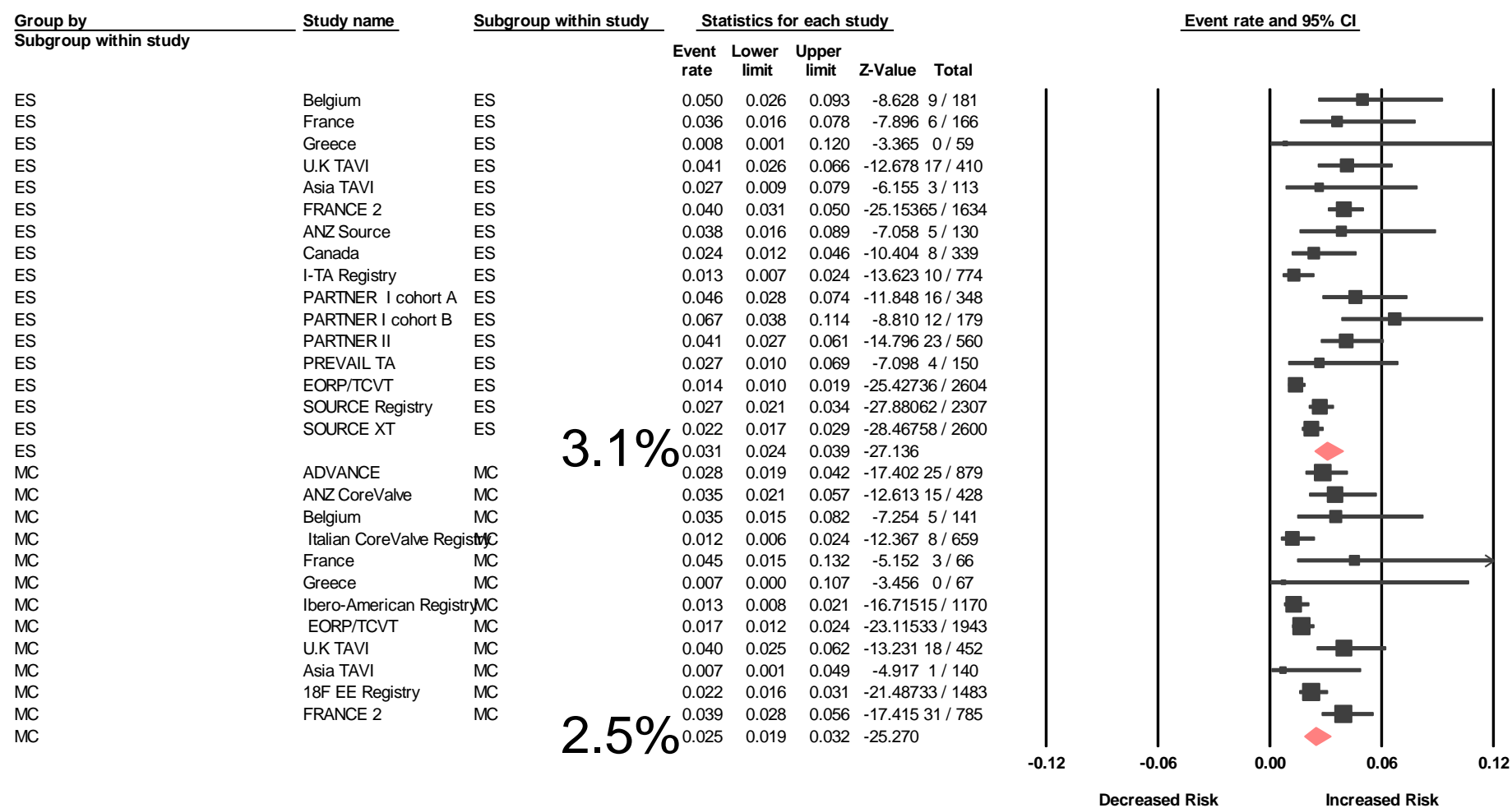


2.8%

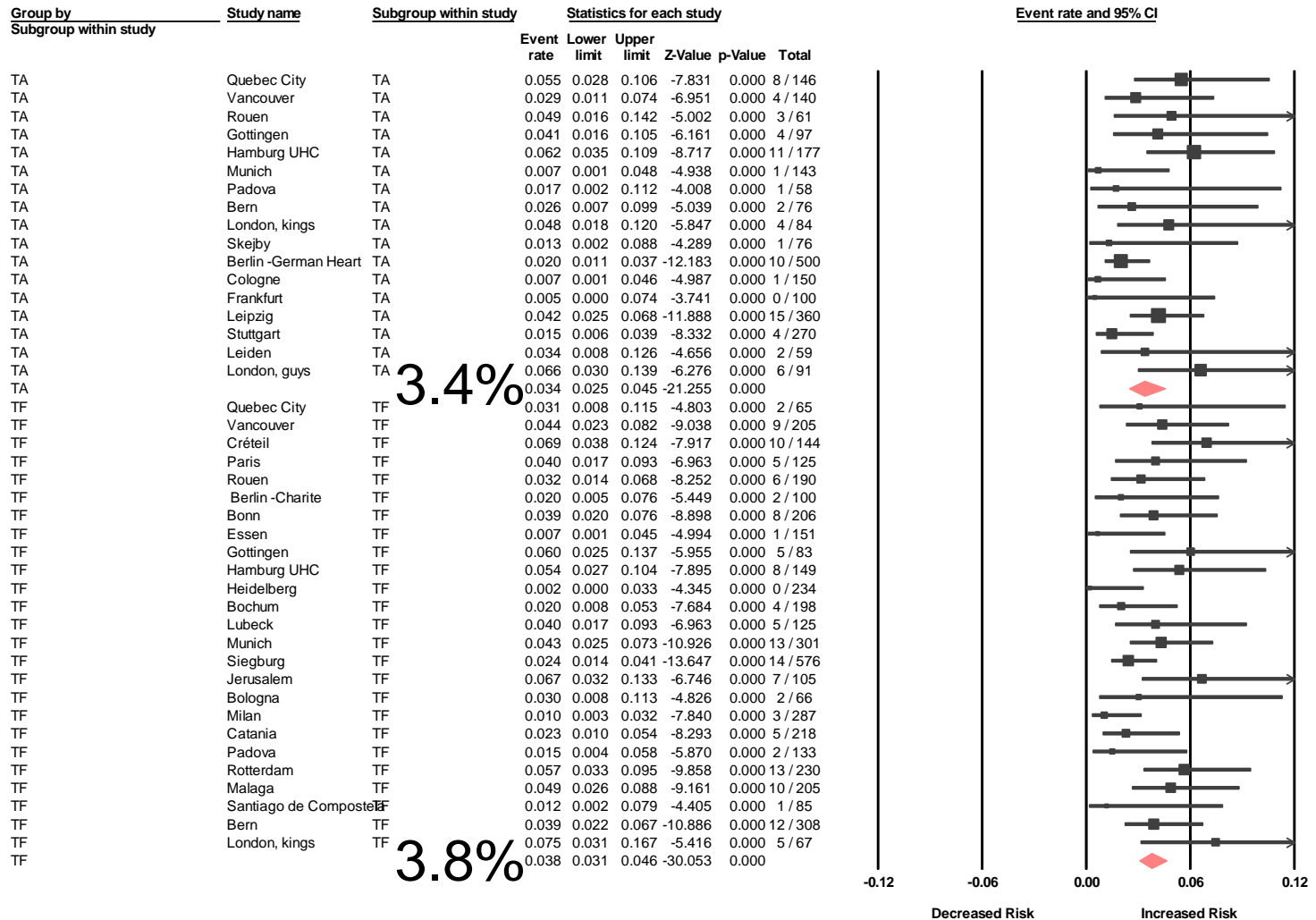
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-0.12 -0.06 0.00 0.06 0.12
Decreased Risk Increased Risk

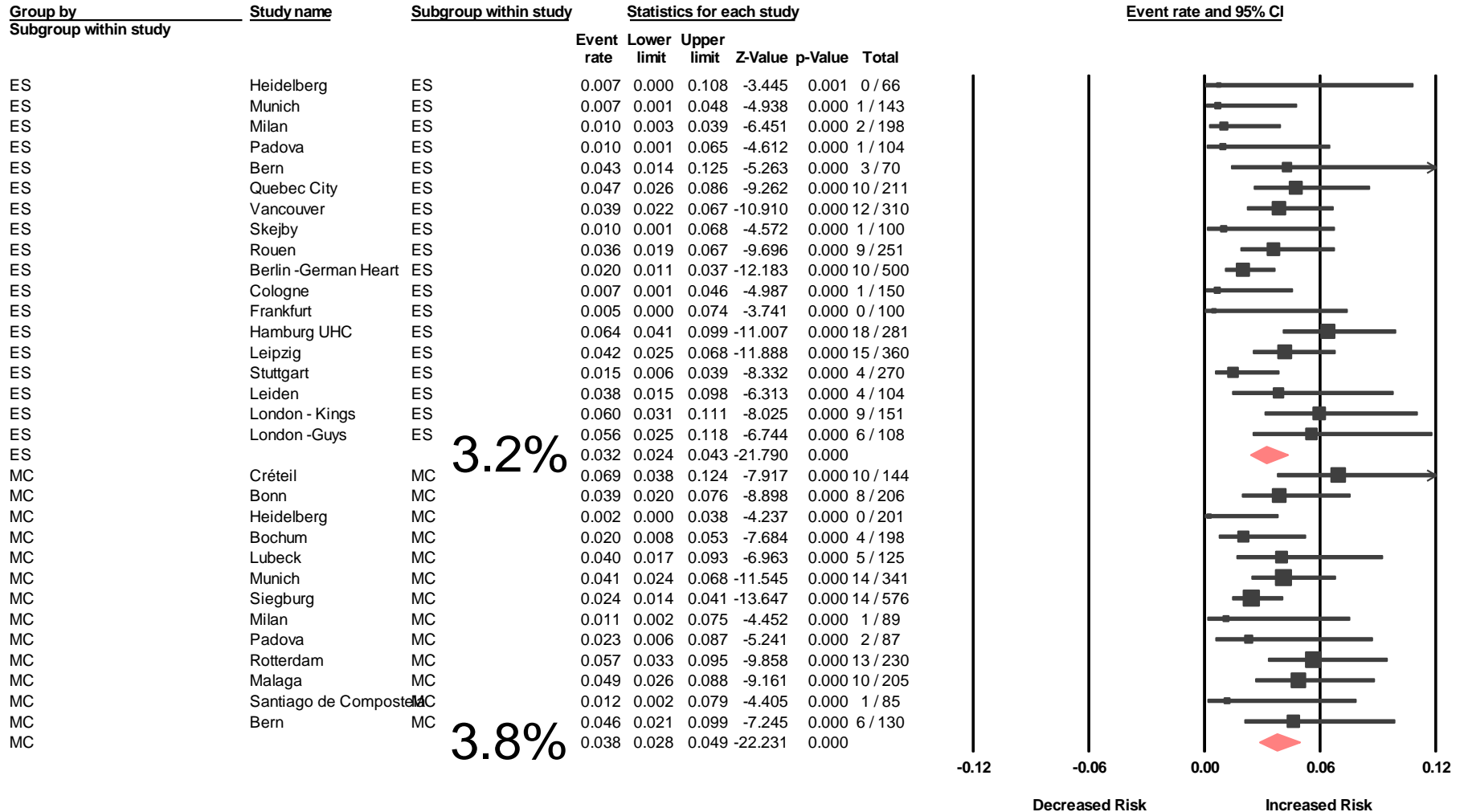
In Hospital or 30 Day Stroke ES versus MC – Major Registries



Single Center (TF versus TA)



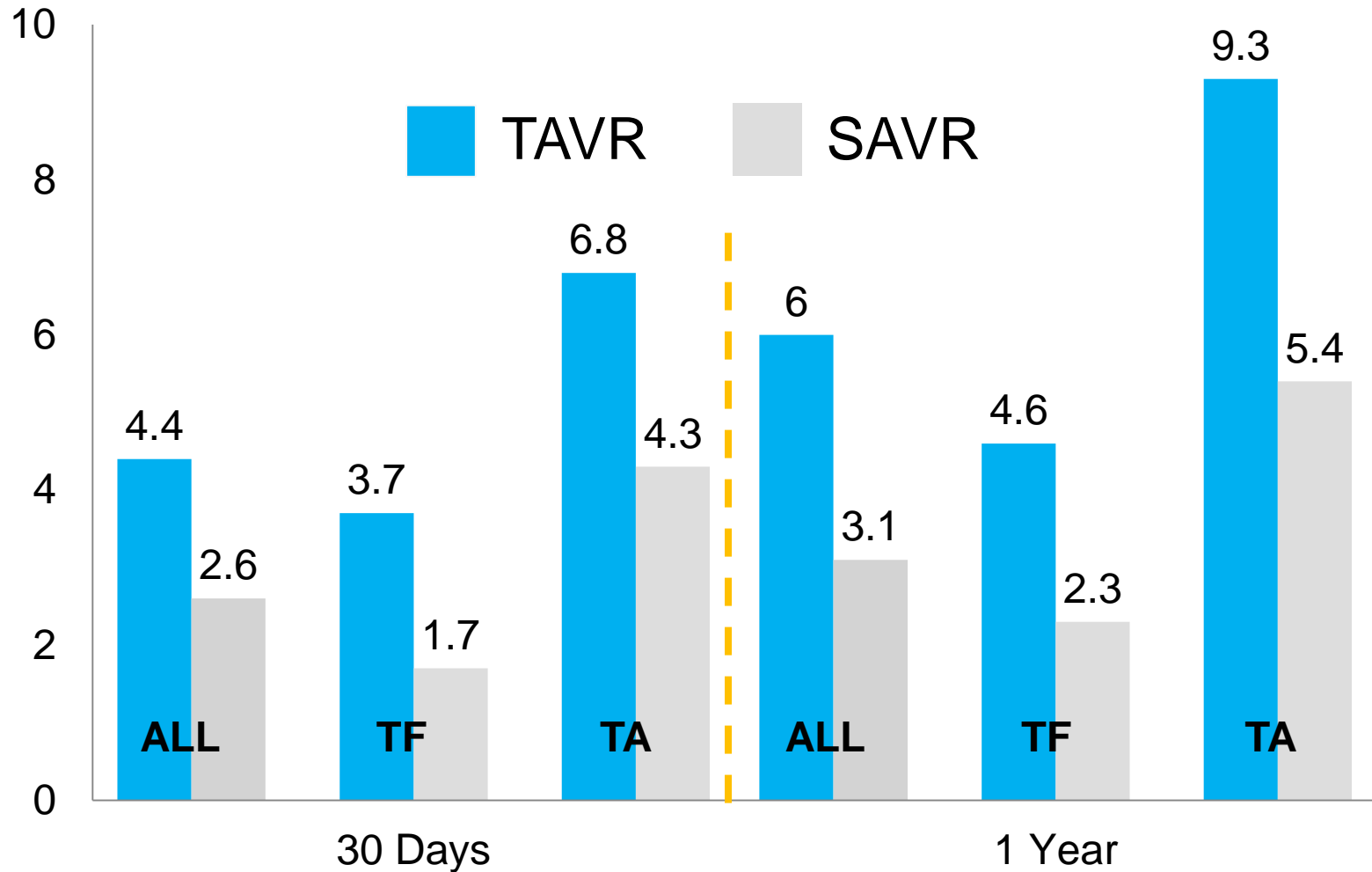
30 day or in hospital stroke MC versus ES – single center



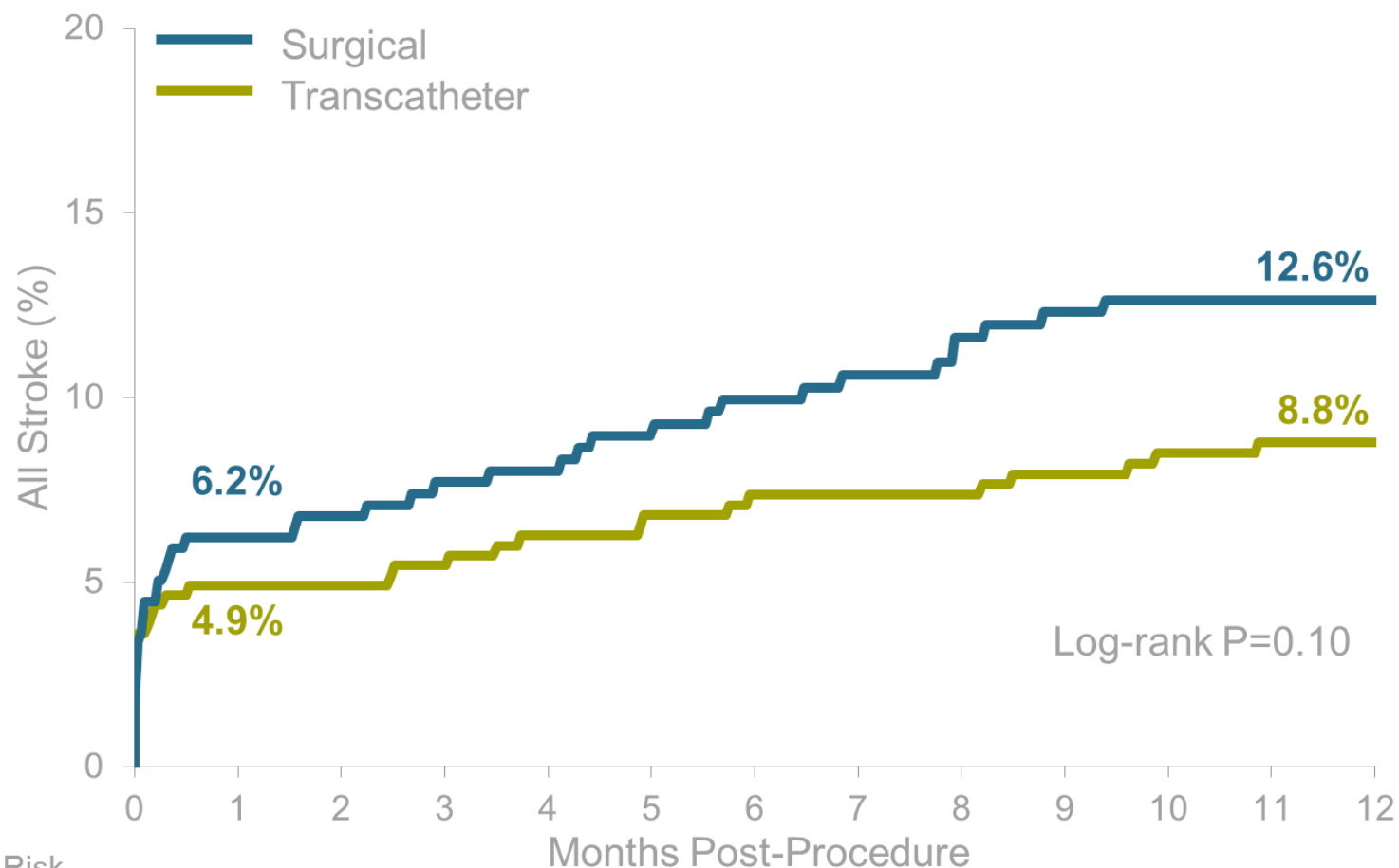
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All Stroke : PARTNER A (ITT)



CoreValve Trial : All Stroke



No. at Risk

Surgical	357	322	274	249	
Transcatheter	390	363	334	314	27

High Risk Surgical AVR and Stroke

Outcome	Patients (n=159)
Death (In-Hospital)	26 (16.4%)
Permanent Neurological Event	7 (4.4%)
Transient Neurological Event	4 (2.5%)

- Isolated AVR
- 2002-2007
- STS >10 at 4 academic institutions

Cardiovascular Surgery

Stroke After Aortic Valve Surgery Results From a Prospective Cohort

Steven R. Messé, MD; Michael A. Acker, MD; Scott E. Kasner, MD; Molly Fanning, BS;
Tania Giovannetti, PhD; Sarah J. Ratcliffe, PhD; Michel Bilello, MD, PhD;
Wilson Y. Szeto, MD; Joseph E. Bavaria, MD; W. Clark Hargrove, III, MD;
Emile R. Mohler III, MD; Thomas F. Floyd, MD;
for the Determining Neurologic Outcomes from Valve Operations (DeNOVO) Investigators

Conclusions—Clinical stroke after AVR was more common than reported previously, more than double for this same cohort in the Society for Thoracic Surgery database, and silent cerebral infarctions were detected in more than half of the patients undergoing AVR. Clinical stroke complicating AVR is associated with increased length of stay and mortality. (*Circulation*. 2014;129:2253-2261.)

AVR and Stroke

2008-2012 – 196 patients (U Penn)

Strokes = 34 patients (17%; 95% CI, 12-23%)

TIA = 4 patients (2%; 95% CI, 0 -4%)

NIHSS <5 = 22

NIHSS 5-9 = 4

NIHSS 10-15 = 3

NIHSS >15 = 5

POD 1 = 17 (58%)

POD 2-3 = 7 (21%)

POD 4-7 = 7 (21%)

>POD 7 = 3 (9%)

AVR and Stroke

- A meta-analysis of 48 observational studies including 13,216 subjects ≥ 80 years old who underwent **isolated AVR** reported that stroke occurred in **2.4%**.
- A separate meta-analysis of 40 studies evaluating outcome from combined **aortic valve and coronary artery bypass grafting (CABG)** found a higher stroke rate of **3.7%**.
- The STS national database reported a stroke rate of **1.5%** from $>67,000$ **isolated AVR** procedures and **2.7%** from $>66,000$ subjects who underwent **AVR plus CABG**.
- The highest risks of neurologic complications have been reported in subjects undergoing **multivalve procedures**, with stroke occurring in **$\leq 9.7\%$** of subjects.

Stroke Detection and Reporting

25 “strokes” were not included in STS database

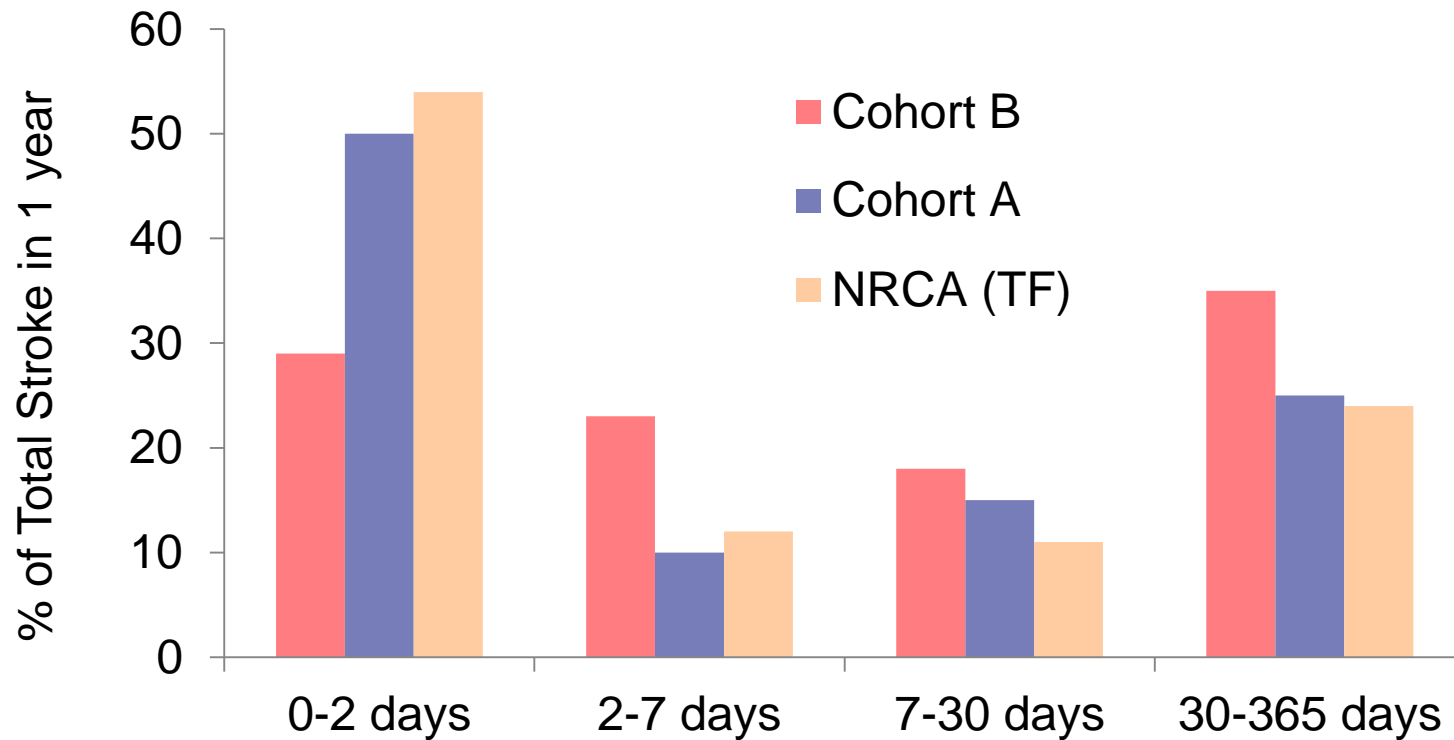


STS database reported 13 patients (6.6%) with stroke but 4 did not have stroke by DeNOVO (alcohol withdrawal, no deficit by day 7)

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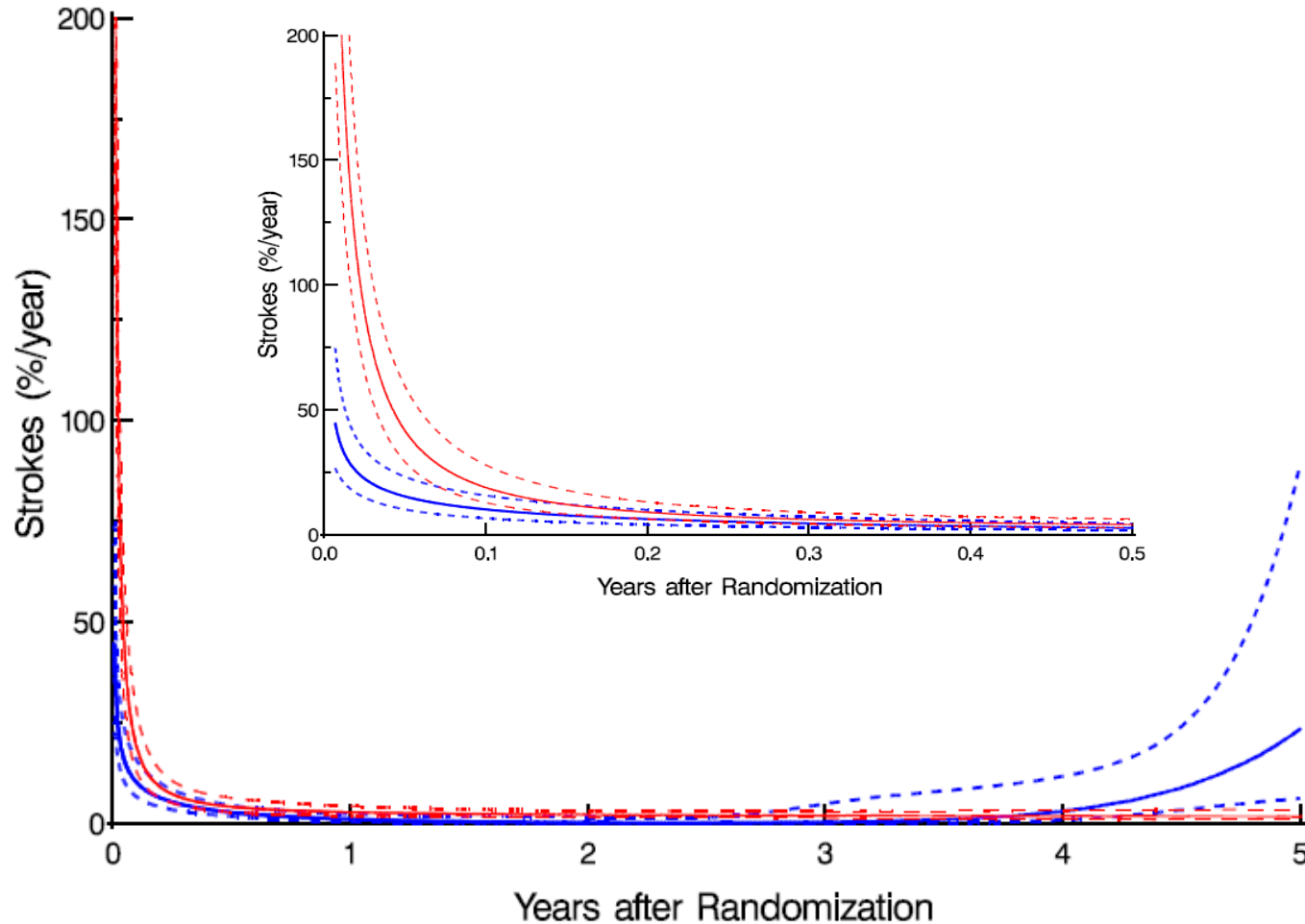
Stroke Timing within 1 year



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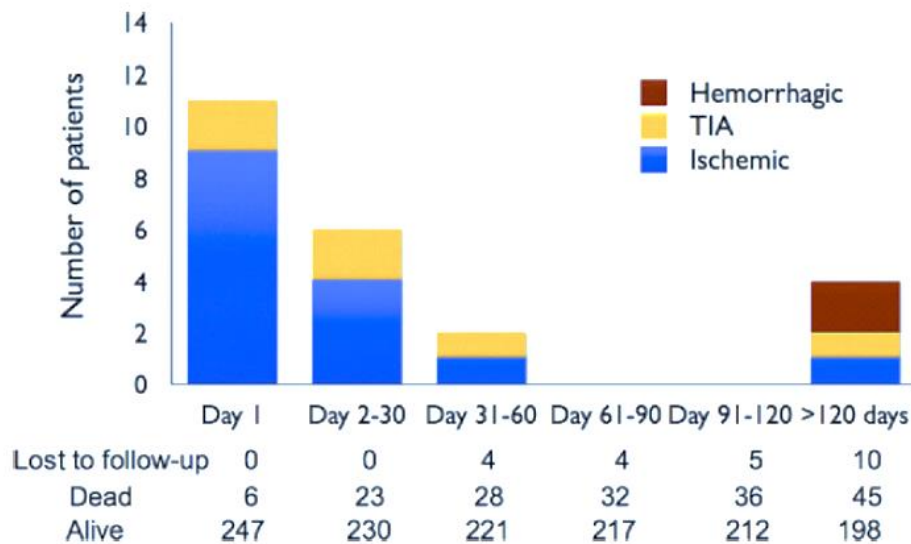
Stroke Analysis : Timing PARTNER 1B

Instantaneous Risk of Stroke

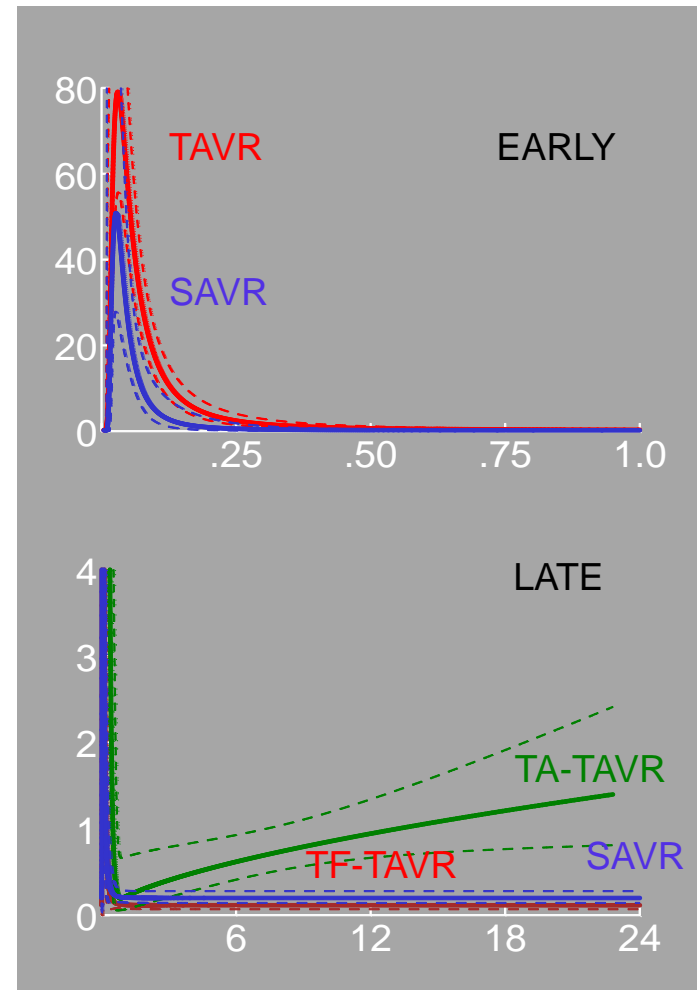


Timing of Neurological Event

Emboli Prevention versus Pharmacotherapy



Tay et al, J Am Coll Cardiol Intv 2011;4:1290 –7



Miller et al, 2012;143:832-43

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Risk factors for Neurologic Events

Multiphase, multivariable non-proportional hazard analysis

- *Early high peaking hazard phase*
- *Later constant hazard phase*

Risk Factor	Coefficient ± SD	P	R (%)
Early hazard phase			
TAVR	2.21±0.68	.001	59
Cerebrovascular disease	0.76±0.45	.09	44
(Smaller) indexed native aortic valve area in TAVR group	-11.8±5.1	.02	57
Constant hazard phase			
TAVR	0.40±0.43	0.4	22
(Higher) NYHA	0.95±0.40	.02	75
Stroke or TIA within 6-12 months	1.93±0.64	.002	60
Non-TF TAVR candidate	2.3±0.45	<.0001	96
History of PCI (less risk)	-1.60±0.63	.01	77
COPD (less risk)	-1.06±0.47	.03	79

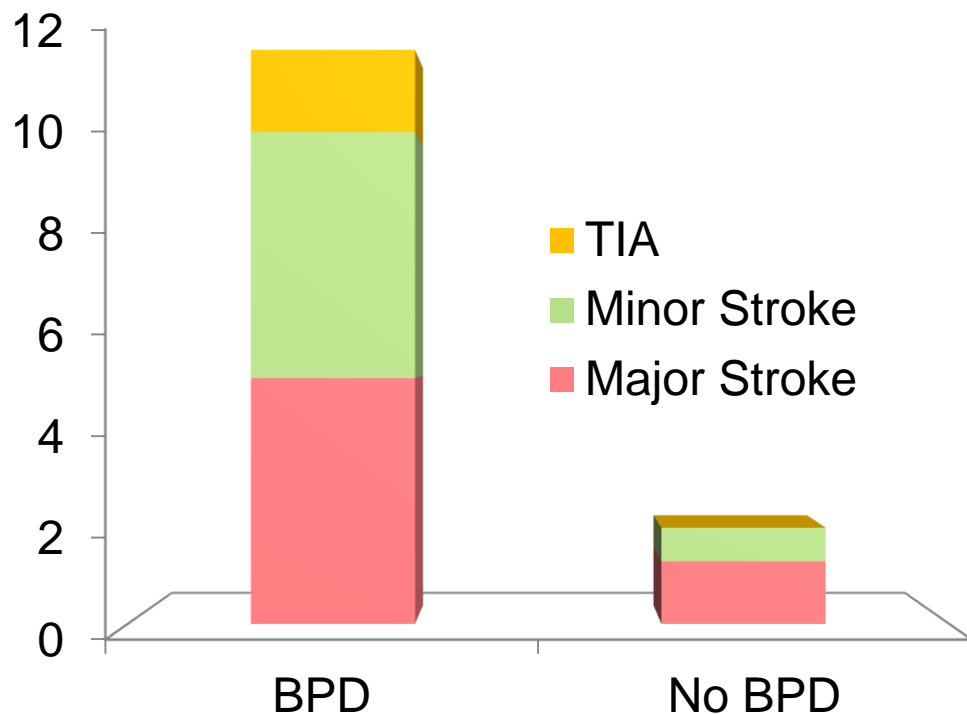
TAVR and Stroke : Registry Data

Registry	n	30 day	1 year	Prior stroke
FRANCE 2	3195	-	4.1	10
Canadian	339	2.3		22.7
PARTNER-EU	130	2.3	6.9	-
Australia NZ	118	1.7		-
UK-TAVI	870	4.1		-
Belgian	328	4.4		15
FRANCE	244	3.6		10.2
SOURCE	1038	2.6		-
European Registry	646	1.9		7.4
German	697	2.8		8.2
Italian	663	1.2	2.6	7.2

Predictors of Stroke, Neuro events or MRI findings

Author	N	Event rate	Approach	Clinical predictors	Anatomical predictors
Tay et al 2011	253	9%	TA/TF	H/O stroke/TIA	Carotid stenosis*
Nuis et al 2012	214	9%	TF	New onset AF	Baseline AR >3+
Amat Santos et al 2012	138	6.5%	TA/TF	New onset AF	None
Franco et al 2012	211	4.7%	TA/TF	None	Post-dilation
Miller et al 2012	344	9%	TA/TF	History of stroke Non TF-TAVR candidate	Smaller AVA
Cabau et al 2011	60	68% (MRI)	TA/TF	Male, History of CAD	Higher AVG
Fairbairn et al 2012	31	77% (MRI)	TF	Age	Aortic atheroma
Nombela-Franco et al 2012	1061	5.1%	TA/TF	Balloon postdilatation, valve dislodgement, New onset AF, PVD, Prior CVA	

Impact of Post-Dilatation



EDITORIAL COMMENT

Post-Dilating Transcatheter Heart Valves*

John G. Webb, MD, Ronald K. Binder, MD

Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

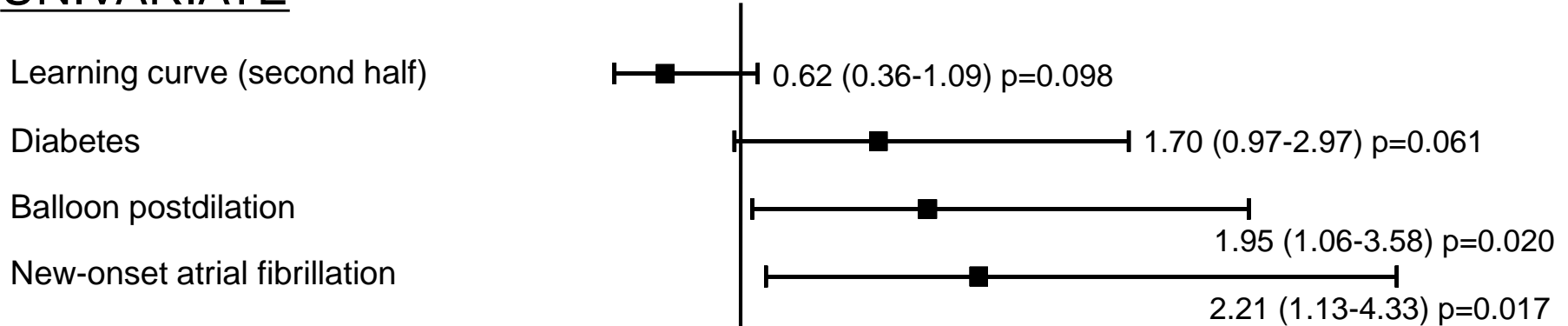
To what degree was post-dilatation just a marker of a more calcified valve intrinsically more likely to release embolic material at the time of valve positioning or expansion? We do not know.

Canadian Experience

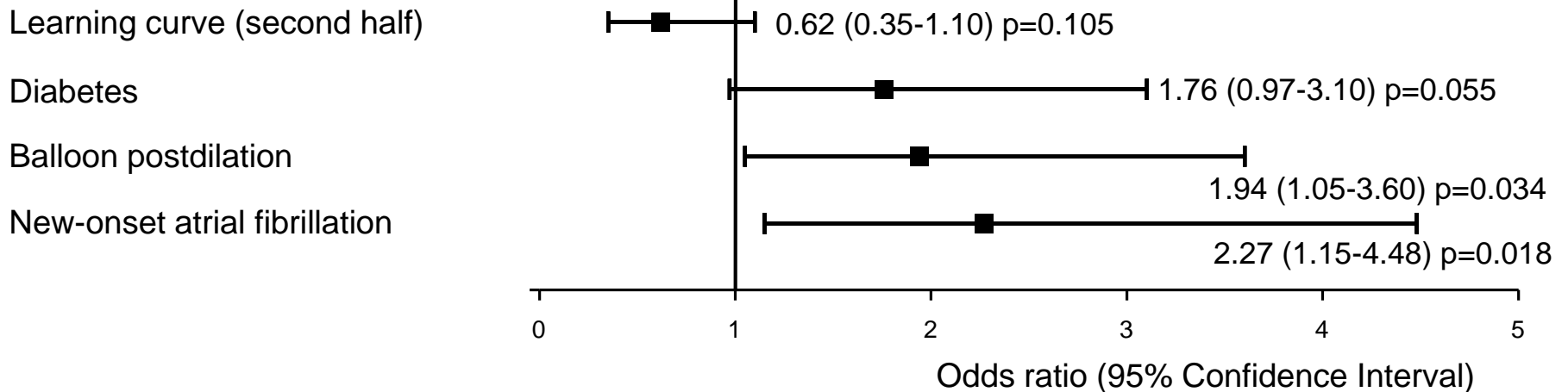
- **1061 Patients**
- **5 centers**
 - **679 (65%) Balloon expandable**
 - **361 (34%) Self expandable**
- **Analysis of events depending on timing of stroke**

Predictors of Early (30-Day) CVEs

UNIVARIATE



MULTIVARIATE



Predictors of Late CVEs (>30-day)

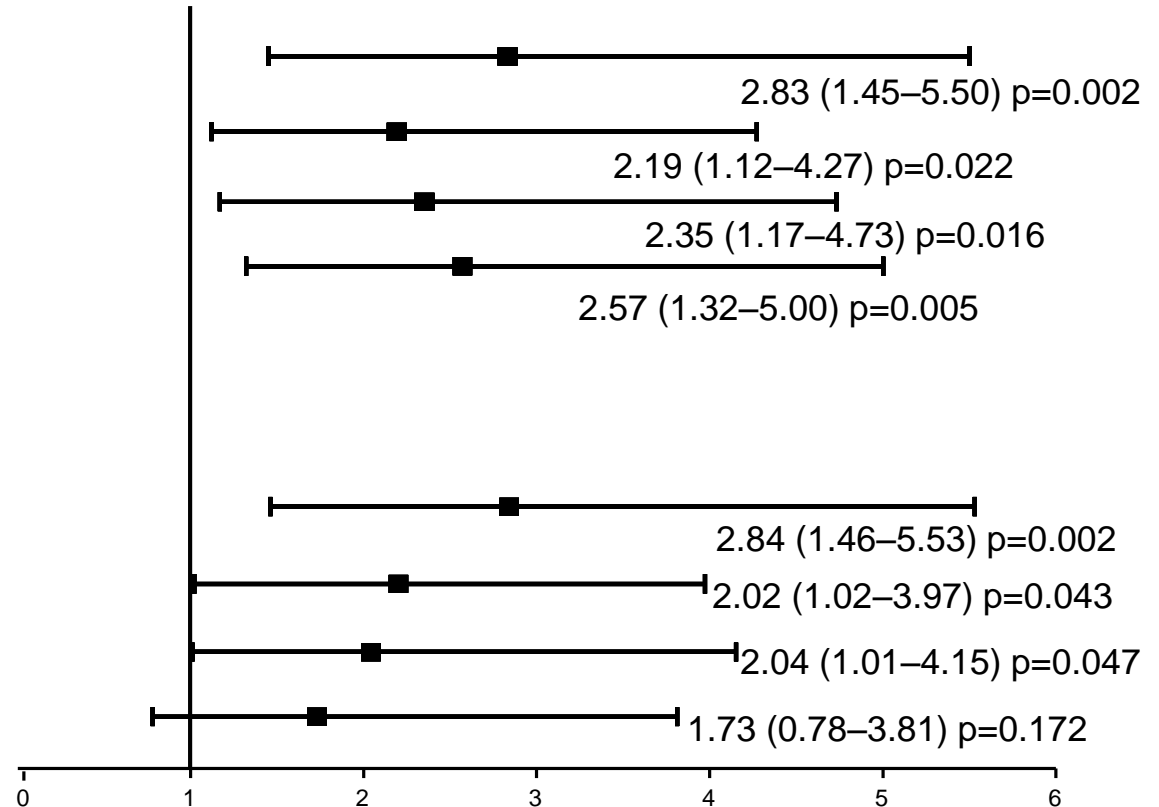
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Peripheral vascular disease

Cerebrovascular disease

Anticoagulation treatment at hospital discharge



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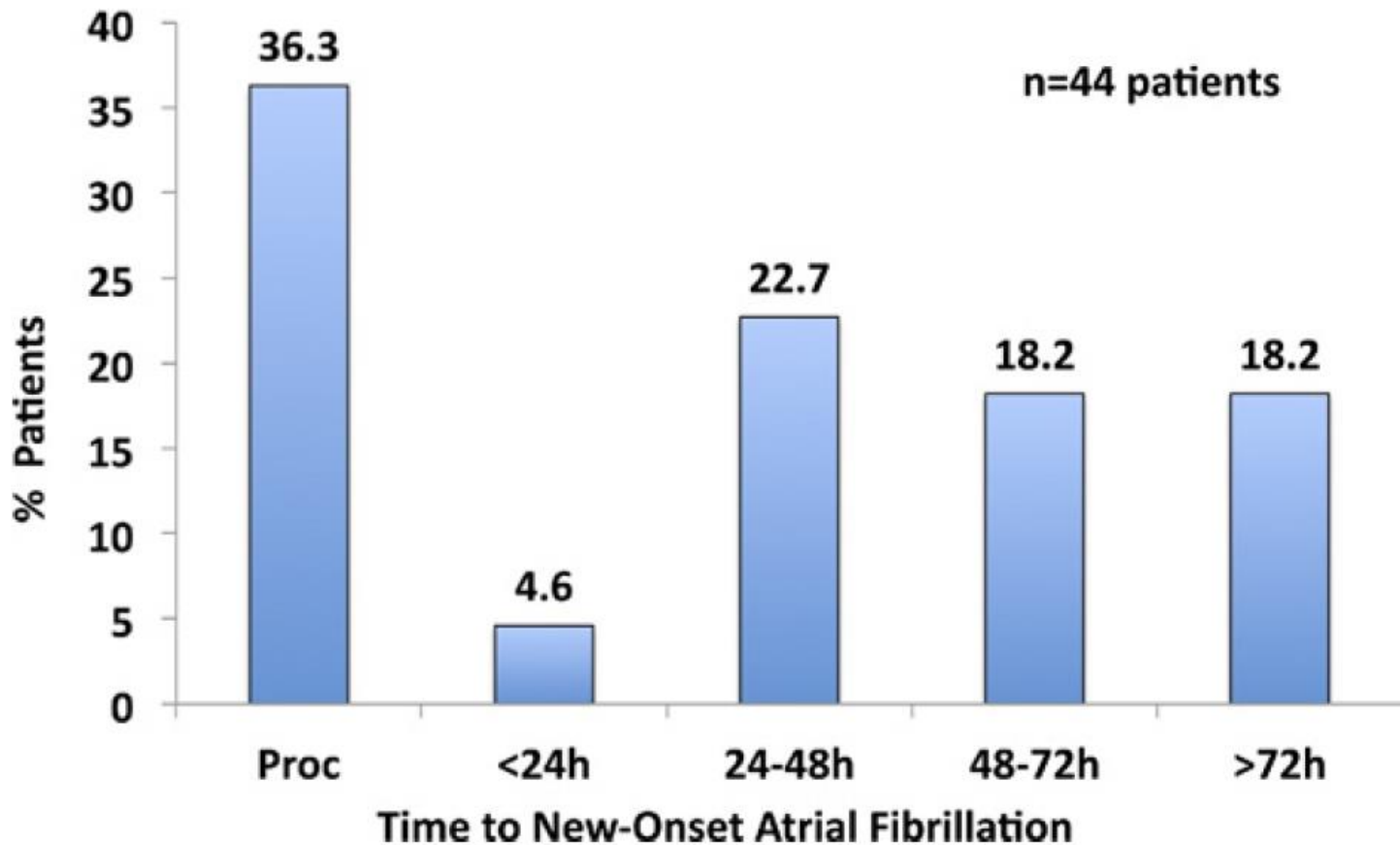
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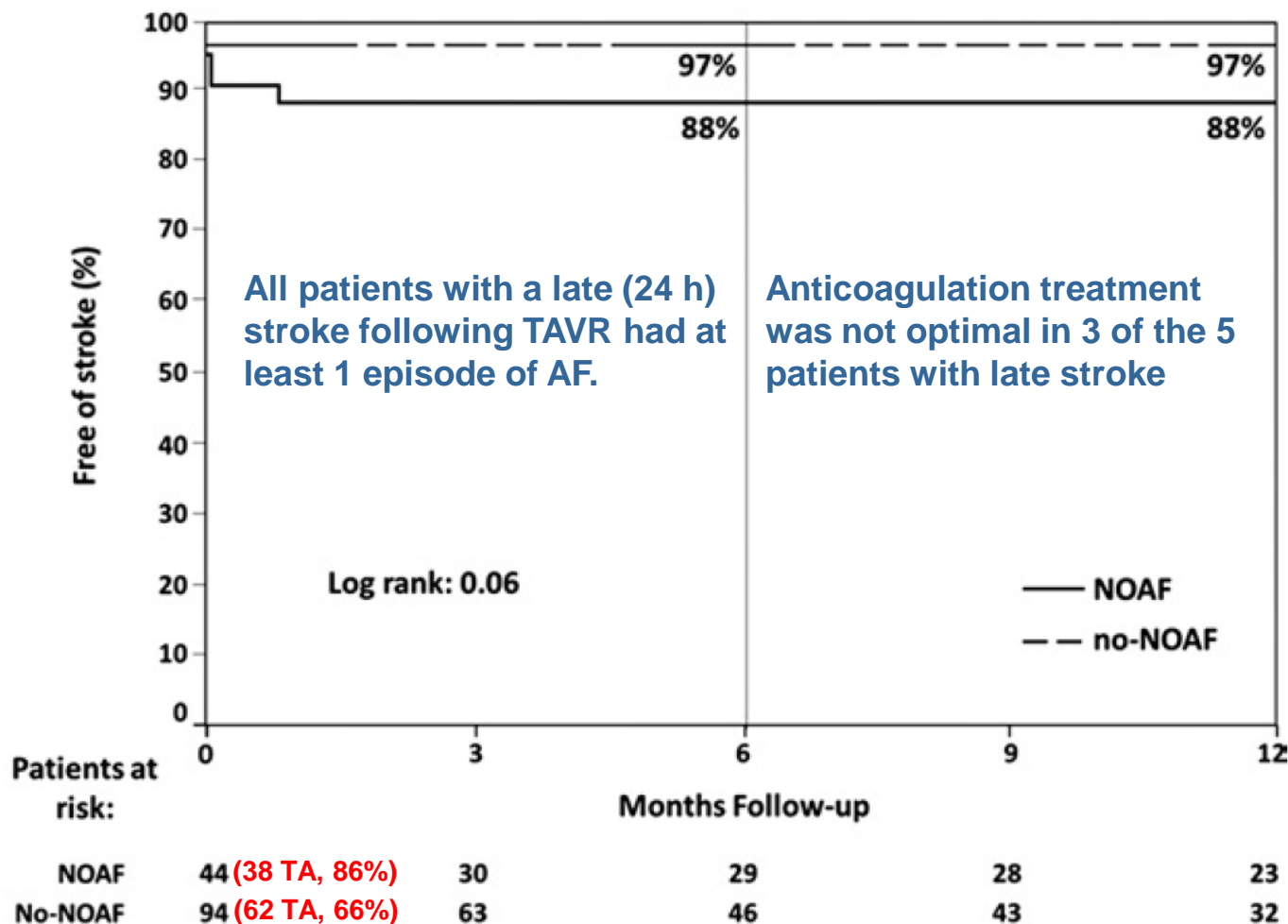
Hazard ratio (95% Confidence Interval)

Timing of NOAF after TAVR



Predictors of NOAF were LA size > 27 mm/m² and TA approach

New Onset AF after TAVR and Stroke

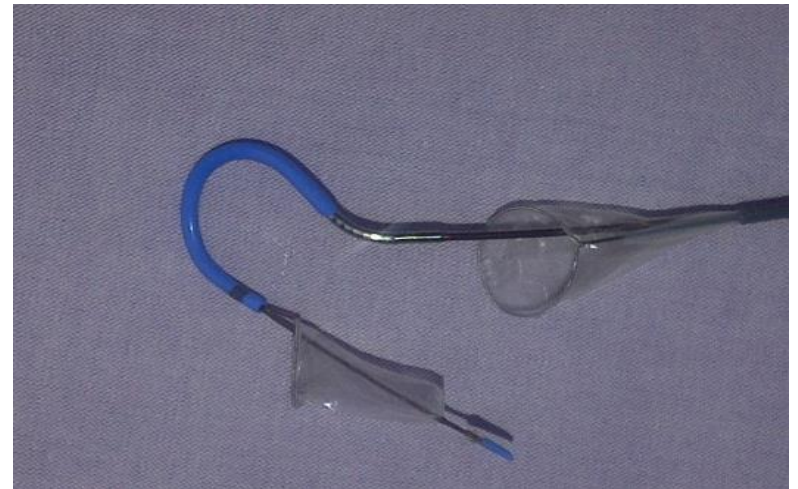


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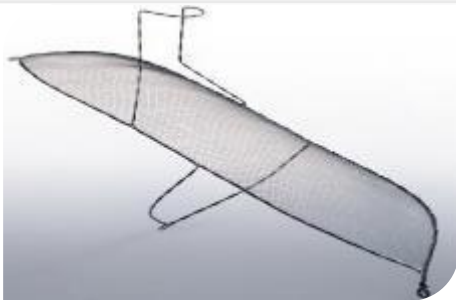
Stroke Prevention Measures

- **Emboli prevention devices**
 - **Claret device - Sentinel Trial**
-- CLEAN TAVI
 - **Embrella Device – ProTAVI**
 - **TriGaurd – DEFLECT 1**
- **Carotid pressure at the time of advancing the sheath**
- **Careful manipulations**
- **Minimize postdilations**
- **? Pretreat carotid disease**



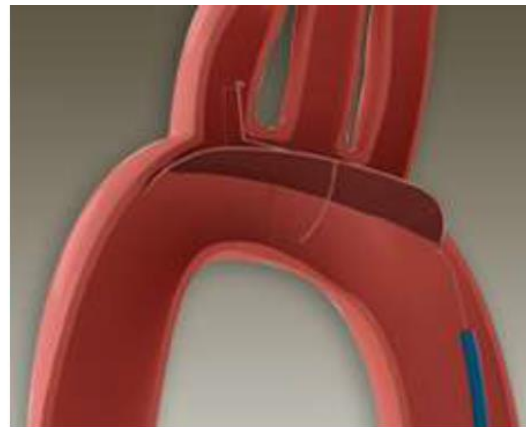
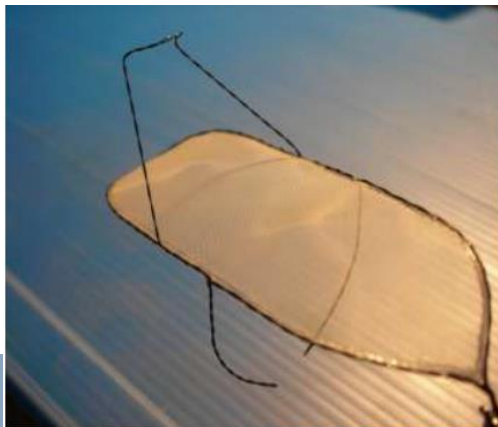
Emboli Protection Devices

TriGuard™ Cerebral Protection Device	Edwards Embrella™ Embolic Deflector	Claret Sentinel™ Cerebral Protection System
Deflector	Deflector	Filter capture
9F (femoral)	6F (radial)	6F (radial)
240 micron pore size	100 micron pore size	140 micron pore size
Aortic arch position	Aortic arch position	Brachiocephalic and LCC
CE Marked	CE Marked	CE Marked and Commercialized



TriGuard - DEFLECT 1

Parameter	DEFLECT-I N=20	Historical Data N=150
Proportion of Patients with New Lesions	70%	76%
Number of New Lesions	5.1 (0 - 28)	4.4 (0 - 39)
Average New Lesion Volume	0.12 (0 - 0.39) cm ³	0.34 cm ³
Max Single New Lesion Volume	0.39 cm ³	6.45 cm ³
Total New Lesion Volume	0.70 (0 - 3.94) cm ³	1.64 (0 - 70.3) cm ³



PROTAVI-C

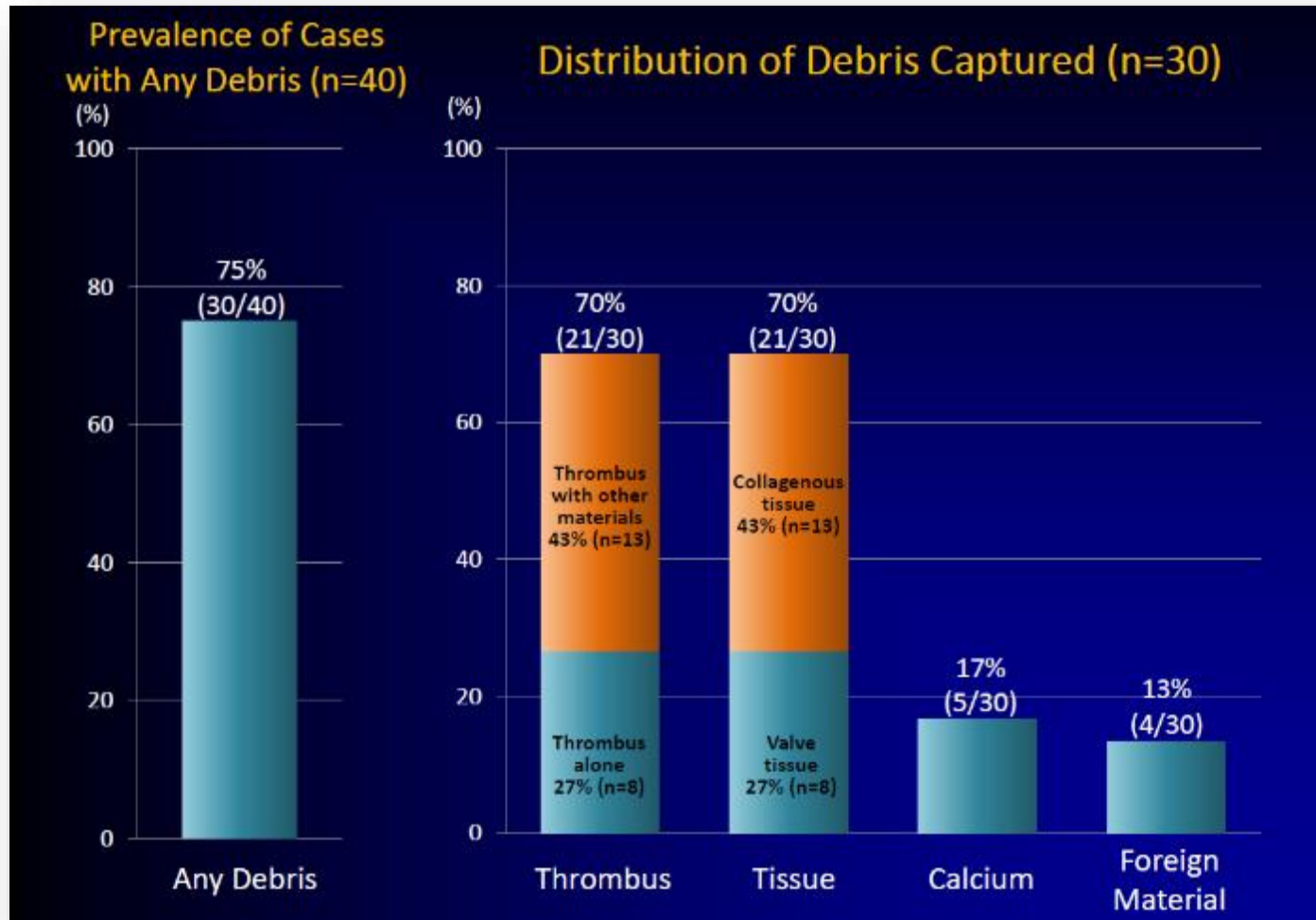


DW-MRI Data

	Roll-In (n=9)	Treatment TAVI + Embrella (n=24)	P Value
Time from TAVI procedure, days, median (min, max)	3 (1,7)	3 (1-7)	NA
Patients with new Lesions	9/9 (100%)	24/24 (100%)	NA
Total No. of lesions, n			
Anterior cerebral artery	1 (11%)	6 (25%)	0.642
Medial cerebral artery	9 (100%)	20 (83%)	0.555
Posterior cerebral artery	6 (67%)	16 (67%)	>.999
Cerebellum	8 (89%)	15 (63%)	0.217
Border zone	0	2 (8%)	>.999
Patients with single lesions	0	4 (17%)	>.999
Patients with multiple lesions	9 (100%)	20	0.555
Lesions per patient, median (min, max)	9 (2, 21)	7 (1, 70)	0.361
Lesion volume (mm ³), median (min, max)	69.4 (25.0, 210.6)	40.0 (10.8, 196.7)	0.897

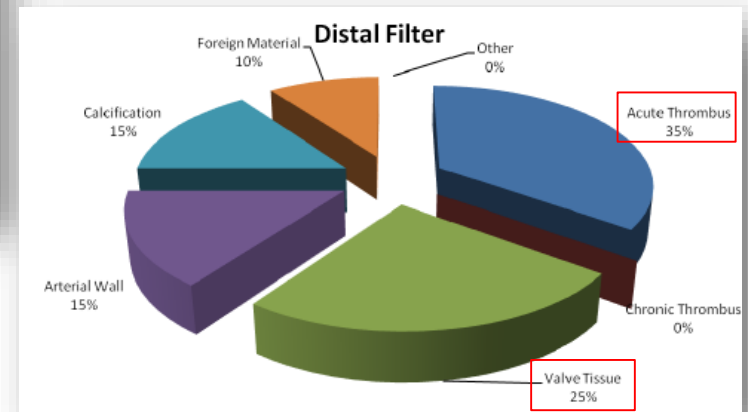
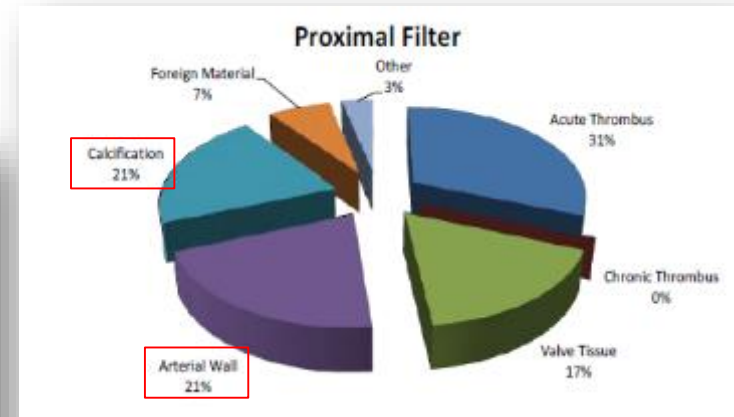
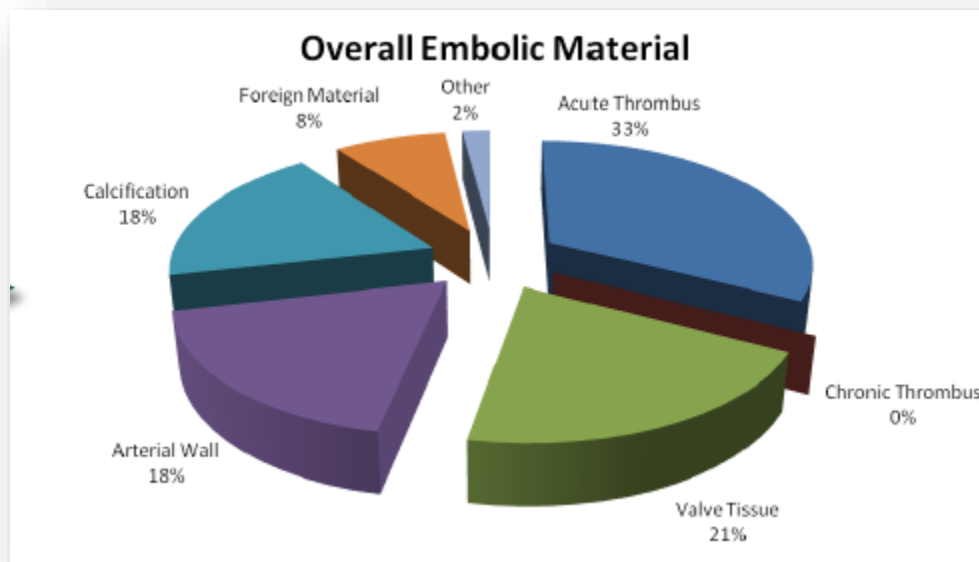


Histopathology - Claret Debris Capture



Distribution & Analysis of Captured Debris

St. Georg Klinik, Germany & CVPath Institute, USA



N= 10 Patients (20 Filters)

Clean-TAVI Study

CLEAN-TAVI Hypothesis

The use of the Claret Montage Device will reduce the number and volume of cerebral lesions as determined by MRI by up to 50 %.

power 0.9,
alpha 0.05,
drop-out 16%

sample size: 100 patients

Primary Endpoints

Serial volumetric reduction in positive post-procedure DW-MR perfused brain lesions relative to baseline

- **Statistically-powered: 100 patients randomized 1:1**
- **Serial 3 Tesla MRI: Baseline, 2-days, 7-days, 1-month & 1-year**
- **Medtronic CoreValve used exclusively**
- **Presented at TCT on Saturday 13th 11am LBCT session**
- **Data Showed decrease in volume, number of emboli with decrease in ataxia.**

Courtesy of Prof Axel Linke, MD

US IDE Sentinel Study Summary

- **Title**

- **Cerebral Protection in Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement The SENTINEL Study**

- **Study Objective**

- **Assess the safety and efficacy of the Claret Medical Sentinel Cerebral Protection System for embolic protection during Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement (TAVR) compared to TAVR standard of care (without embolic protection)**

- **Study Population**

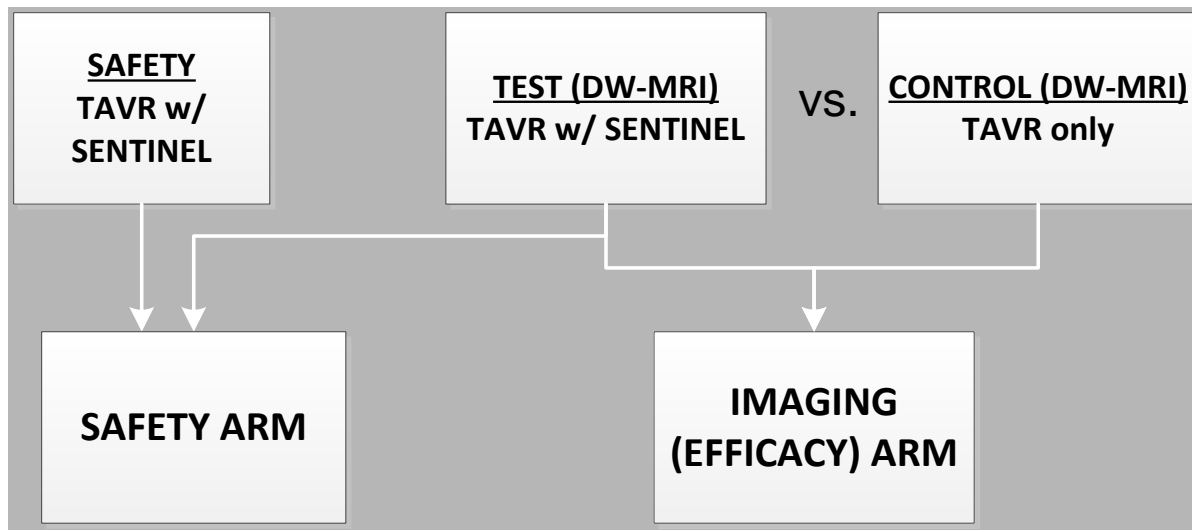
- **Subjects with severe symptomatic calcified native aortic valve stenosis who meet the commercially approved indications for TAVR with the Edwards SAPIEN THV or XT (if approved)**

- **Number of Centers**

- **Up to 15 clinical study centers**

IDE Study Design - Overview

- Prospective, multicenter, blinded, randomized controlled trial
- 284 subjects randomized into a three-arm study
- Enrollment at up to 15 centers in the United States



Implication

- Stroke prevention will help to move to lower risk patients
- It may be an advantage rather than disadvantage for TAVR compared to SAVR (similar to PCI compared to CABG)