

# **Tradeoffs of Embolic Protection and Sealing vs Restenosis: Utility of the Micronet MGuard Stent for MI, SVG, Aneurysms, and More**

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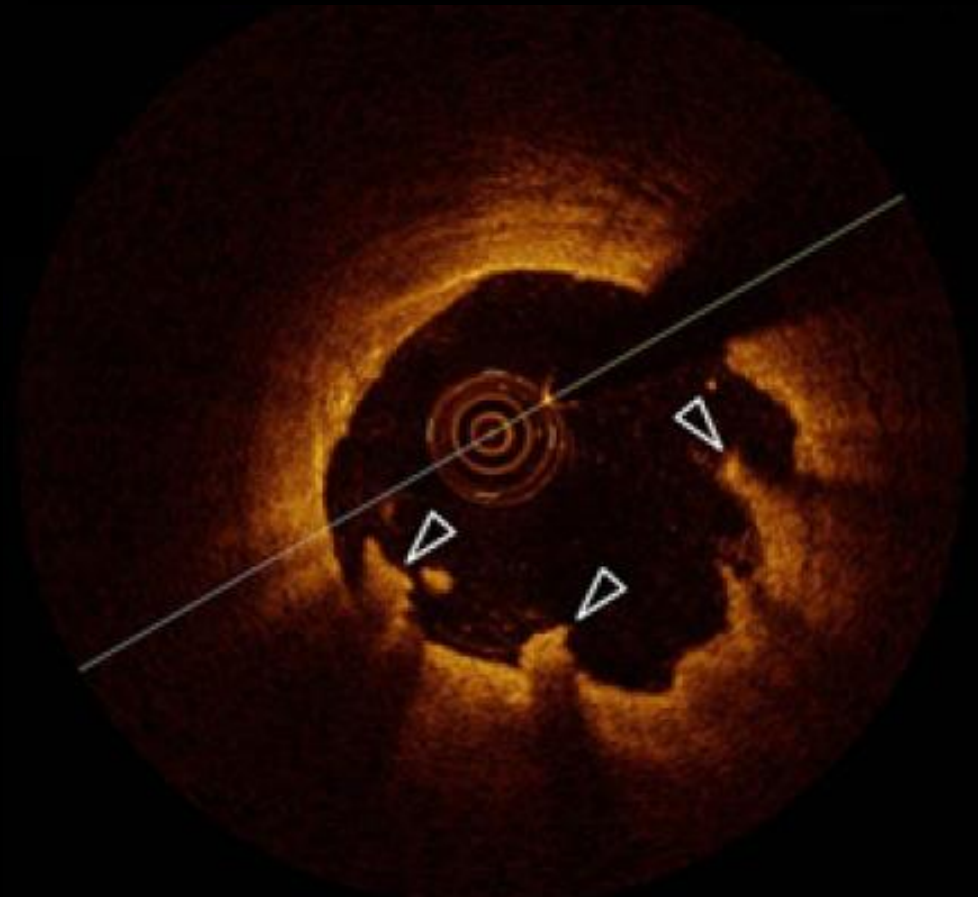
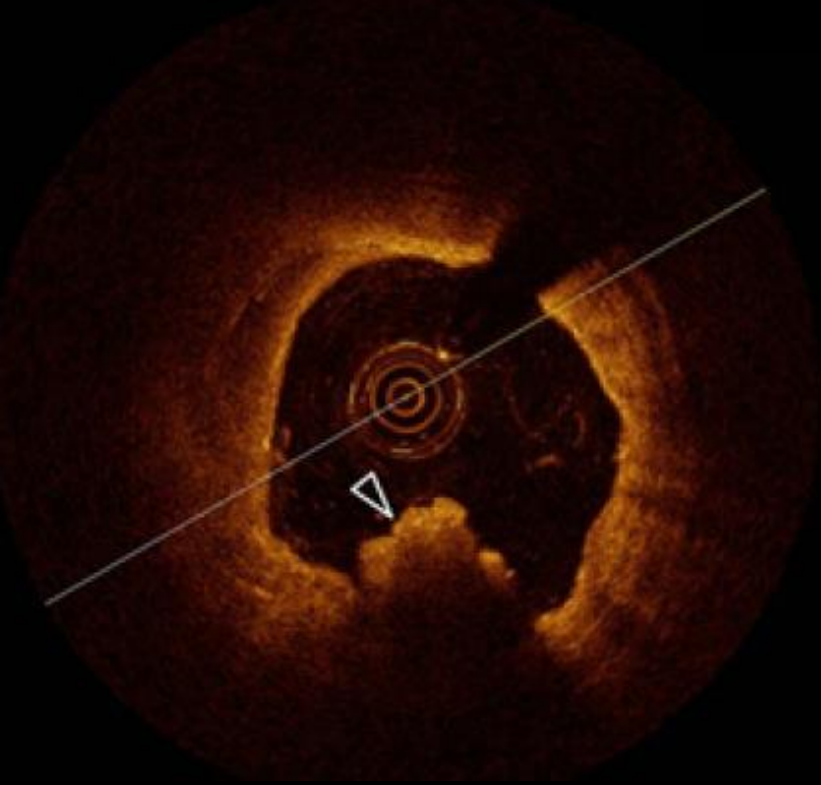
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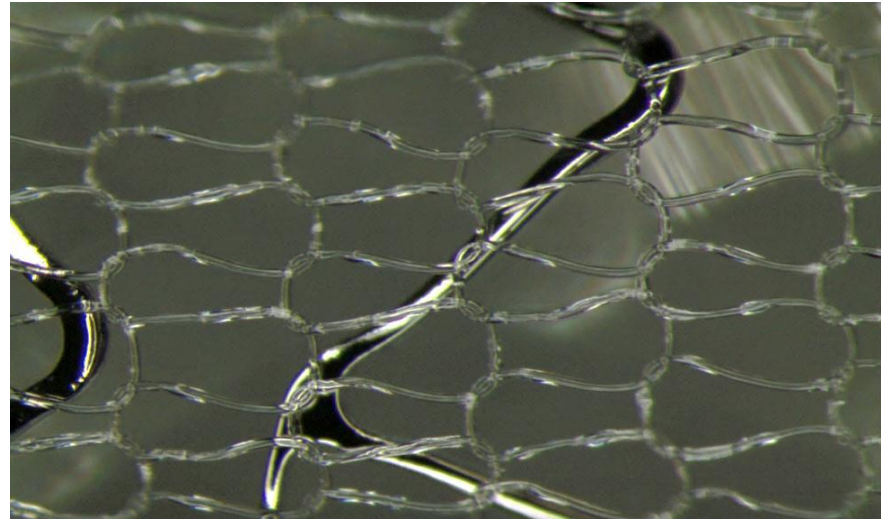
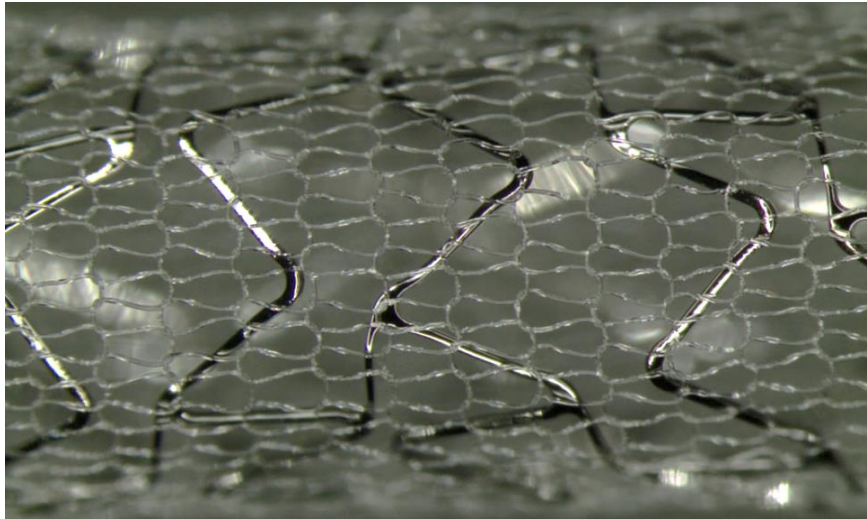
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# STEMI

Persistent thrombus protruding into the lumen after aspiration thrombectomy



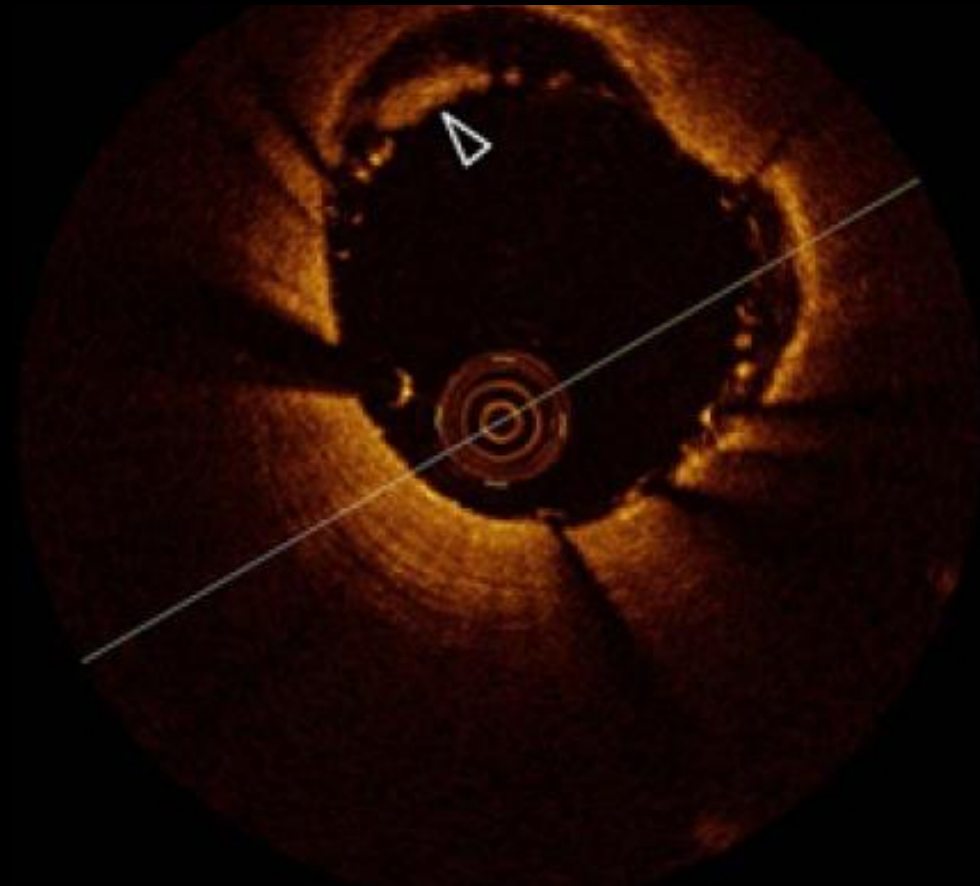
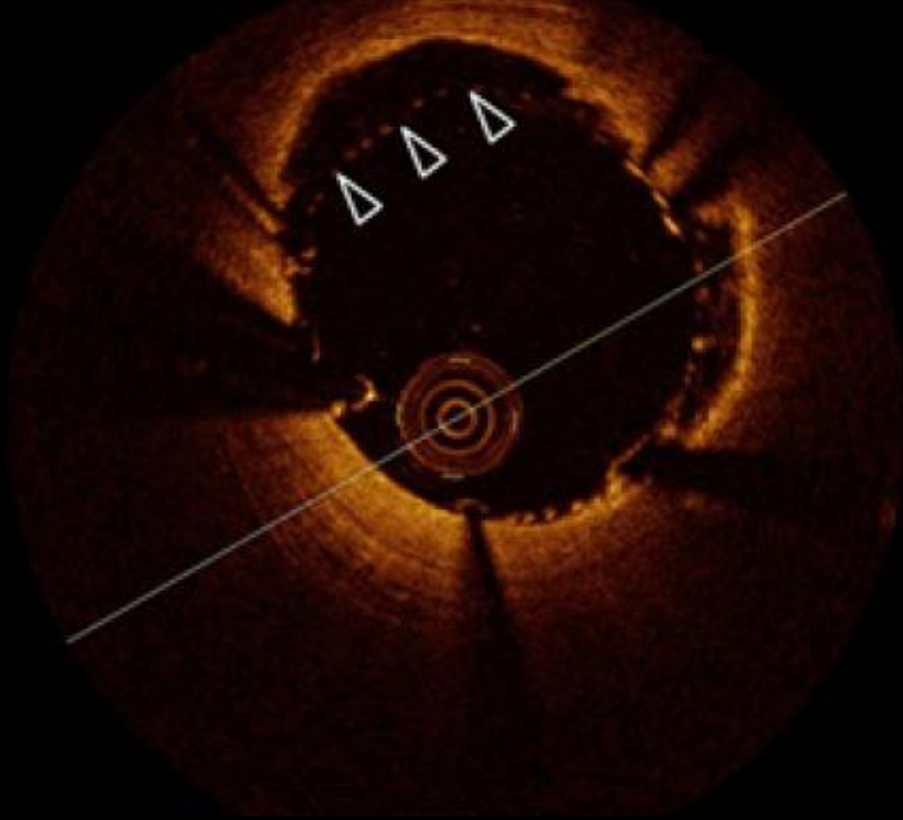
# The MGuard and MGuard Prime Embolic Protection Stent (EPS)



	MGuard	MGuard Prime
Metallic frame	316L stainless steel	L605 cobalt chromium
Strut width	100 $\mu$ m	80 $\mu$ m
Crossing profile	1.1 – 1.3 mm	1.0 – 1.2 mm
Shaft dimensions	0.65 – 0.86 mm	0.65 – 0.86 mm
Mesh sleeve	PET	PET
- Fiber width	20 $\mu$ m	20 $\mu$ m
- Net aperture size	150 - 180 $\mu$ m	150 - 180 $\mu$ m



The mesh covering of the stent and the presence of thrombus “trapped” behind the mesh



# Mesh covered stent in ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction

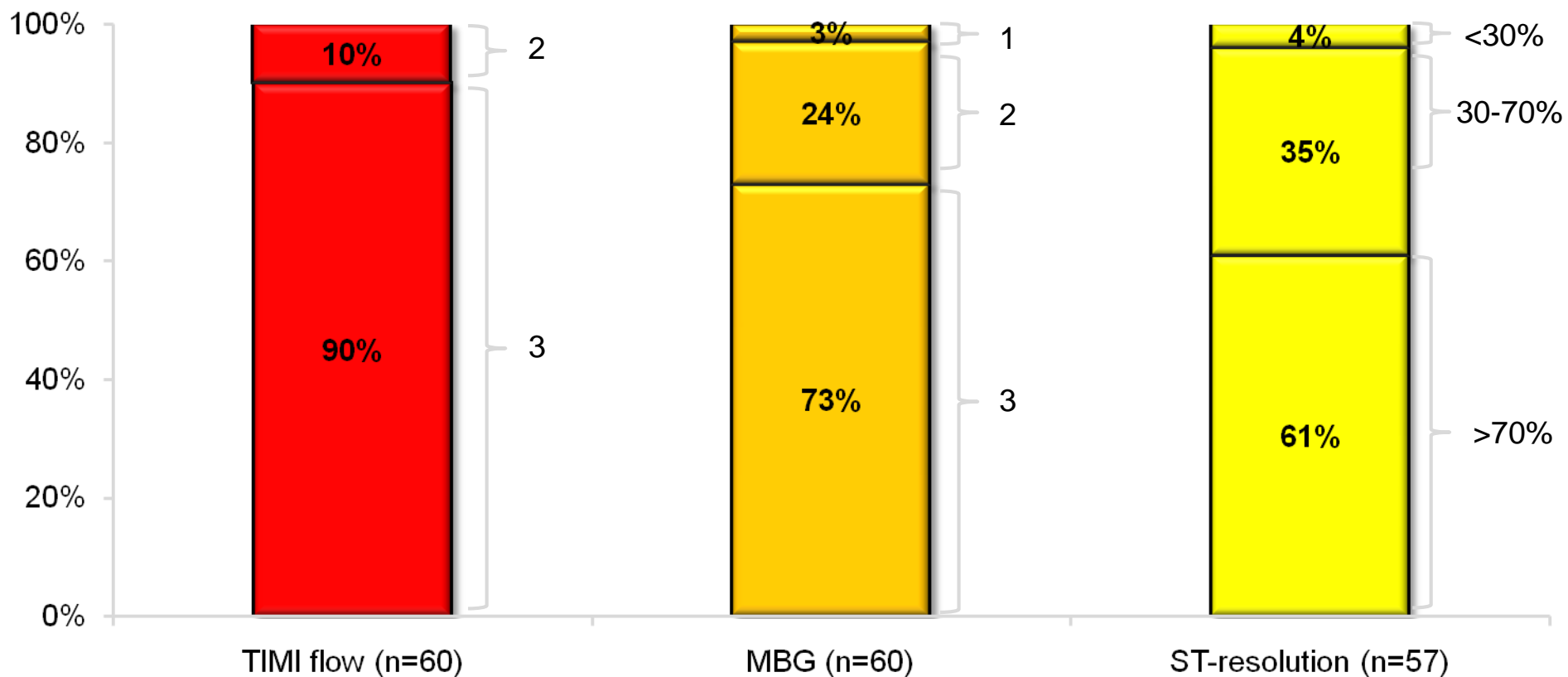
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# The MAGICAL Trial

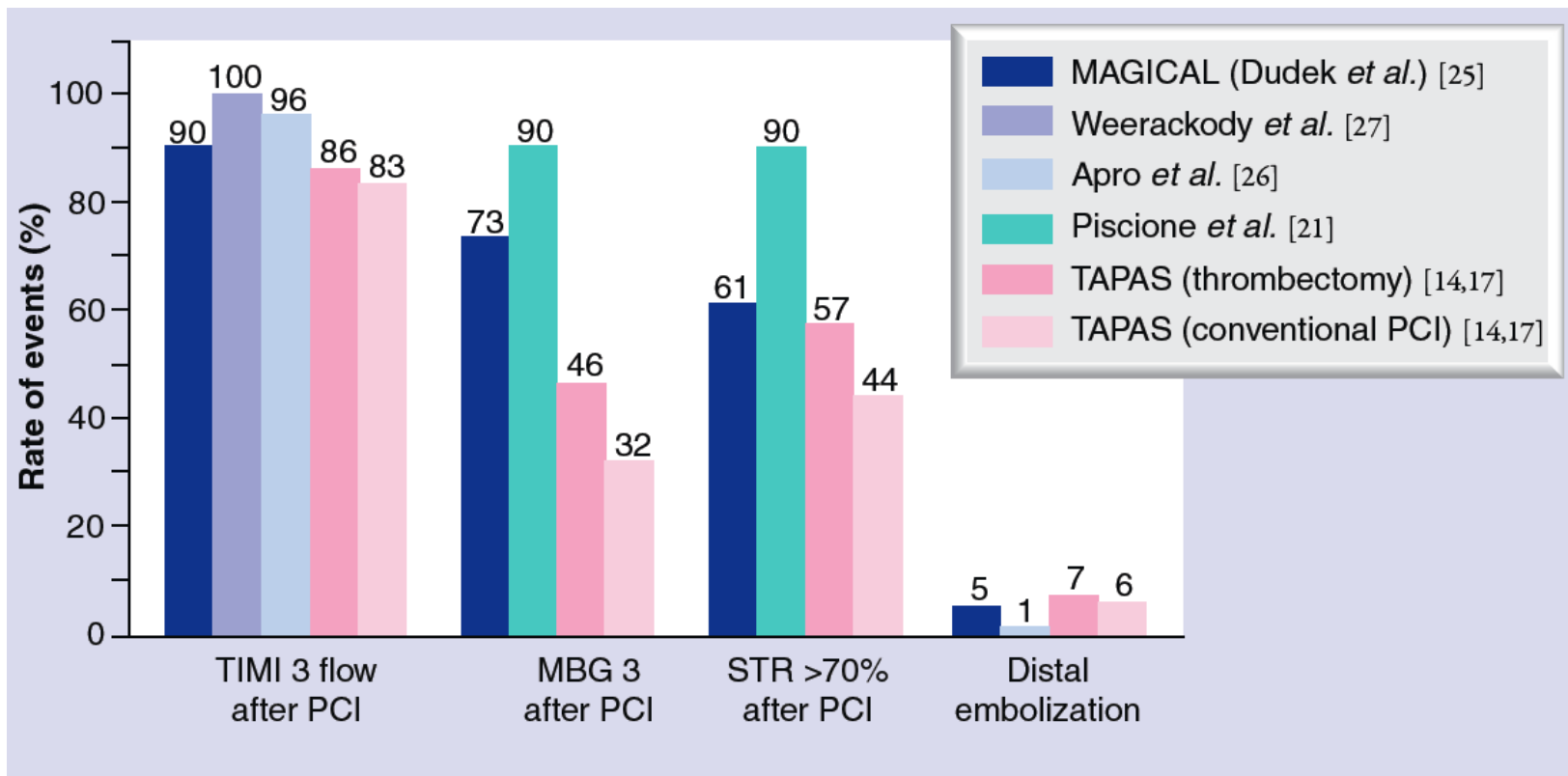
Detailed final angiographic perfusion and ST-segment resolution data\*



\* ST resolution obtained from 57 patients due to technical issues



# Evidence for mesh-covered stent implantation in STEMI

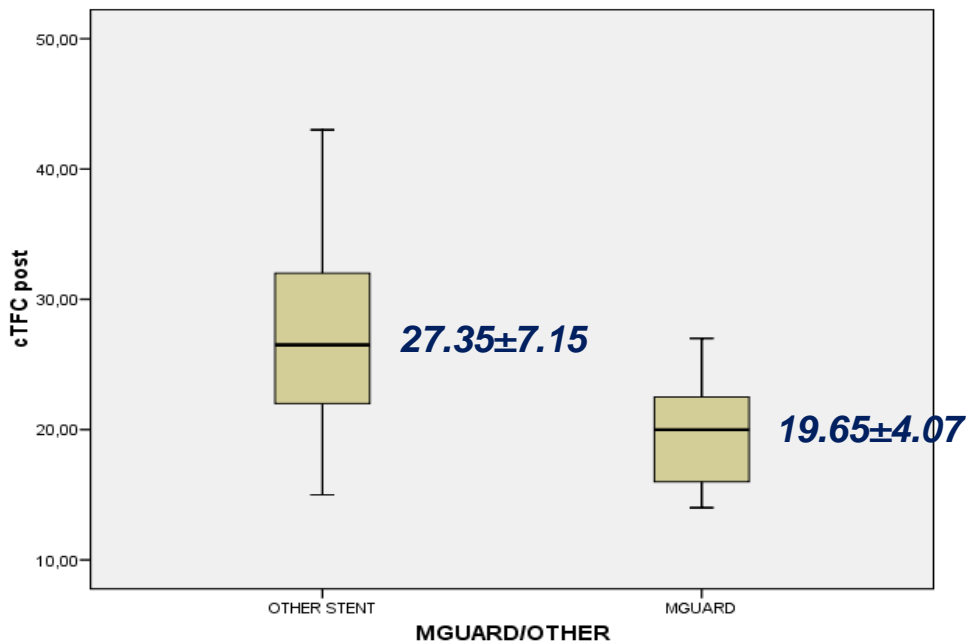


**Figure 2. Angiographic and electrocardiographic results of studies assessing the impact of MGuard stent implantation during primary angioplasty for ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction.** Data from the MAGICAL study represent independent core laboratory assessment. Results of TAPAS given as comparison.

# MICAMI: MGuard Randomized Trial

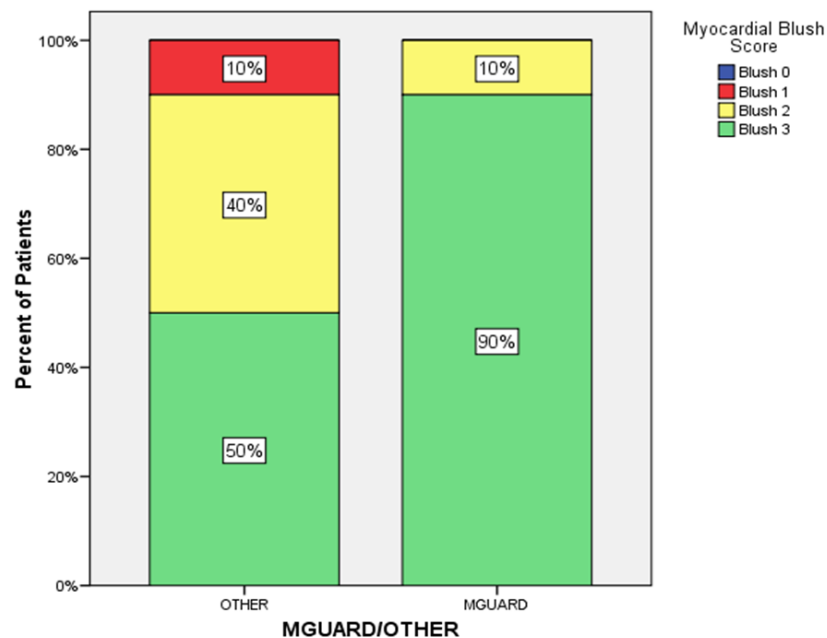
*Superior corrected TIMI frame count in MGuard group compared to BMS group*

$p=0.001^*$



*Superior myocardial blush grade in MGuard group compared to BMS group*

$p=0.006^{**}$



# MASTER study

## MGuard vs conventional stent (BMS, DES) in STEMI

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### **Prospective, Randomized, Multicenter Evaluation of a Polyethylene Terephthalate Micronet Mesh–Covered Stent (MGuard) in ST-Segment Elevation Myocardial Infarction**

The MASTER Trial

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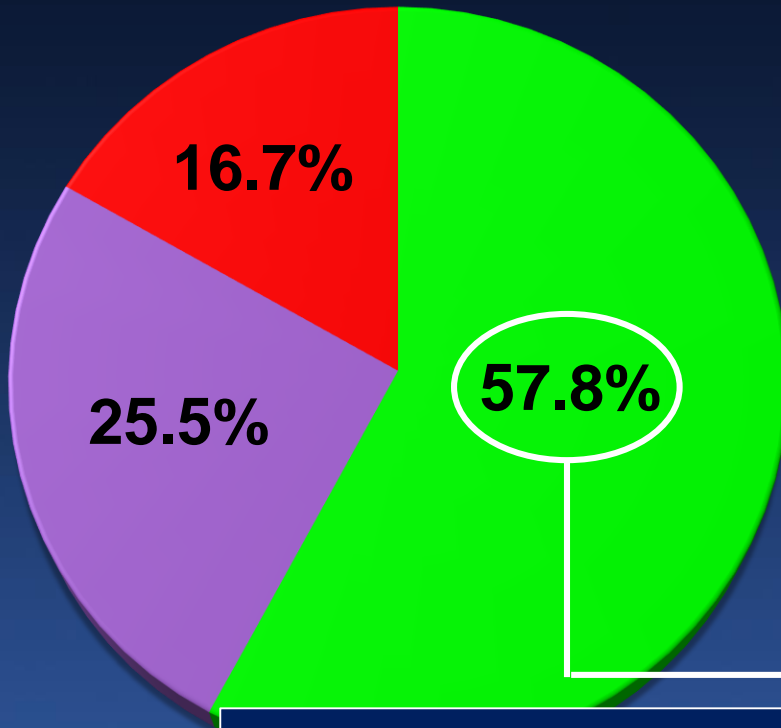


# Primary Endpoint:

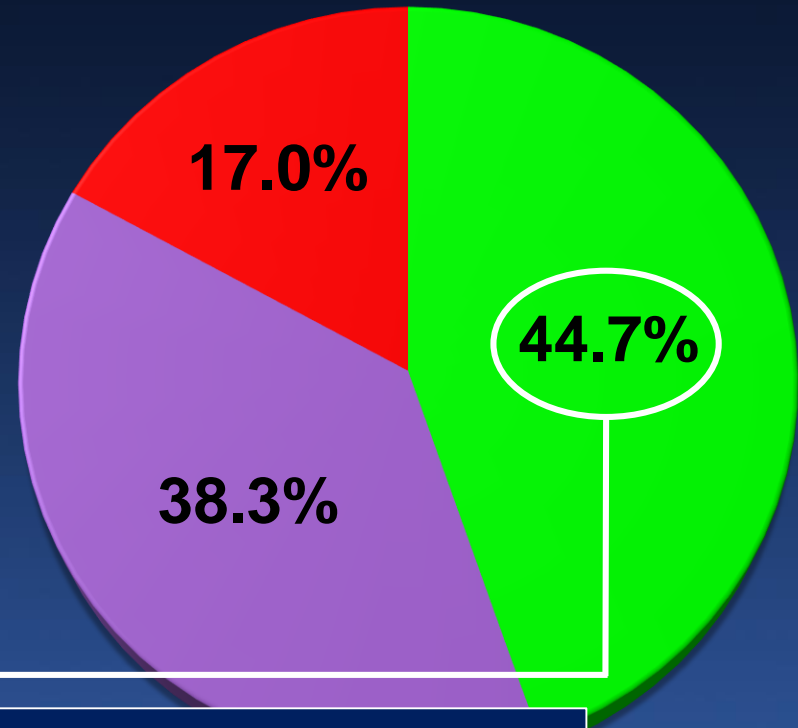
## Complete ST-segment resolution

■ Complete ( $\geq 70\%$ ) ■ Partial ( $>30\% - <70\%$ ) ■ Absent ( $\leq 30\%$ )

**MGuard (n=204)**



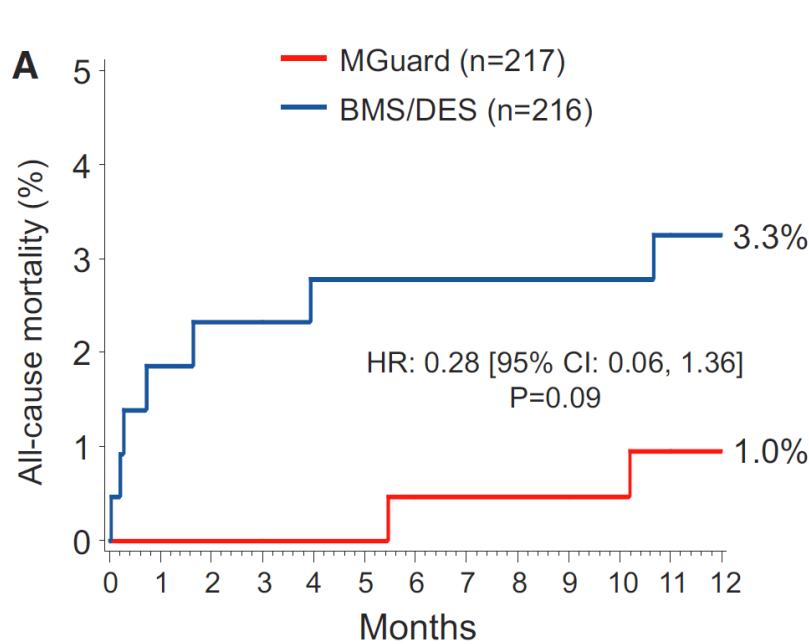
**Control (n=206)**



Difference [95%CI] = 13.2% [3.1, 23.3]

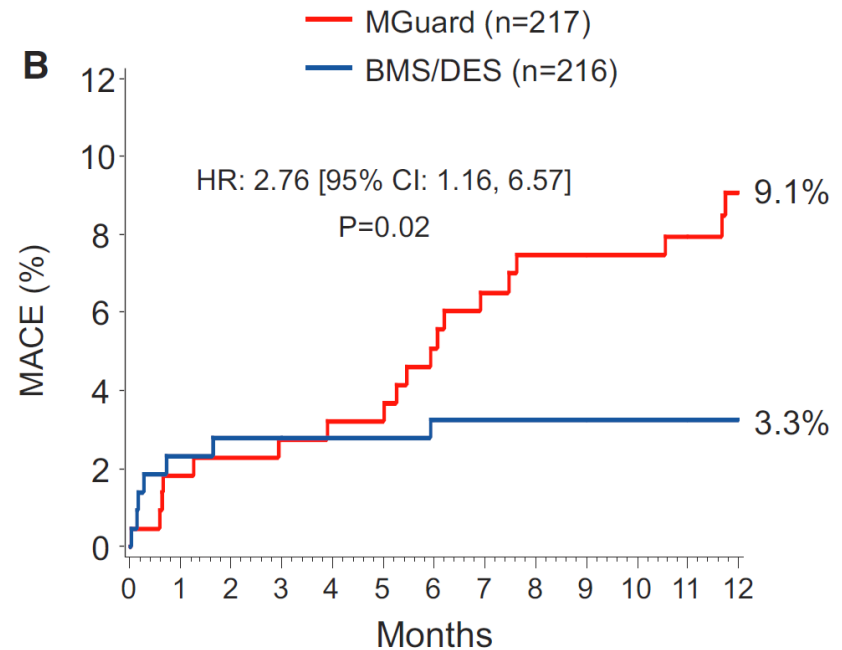
**P=0.008**

# MASTER study: 12 months



Number at risk:

MGuard	217	214	209	206	204	126
BMS/DES	216	210	209	207	206	123

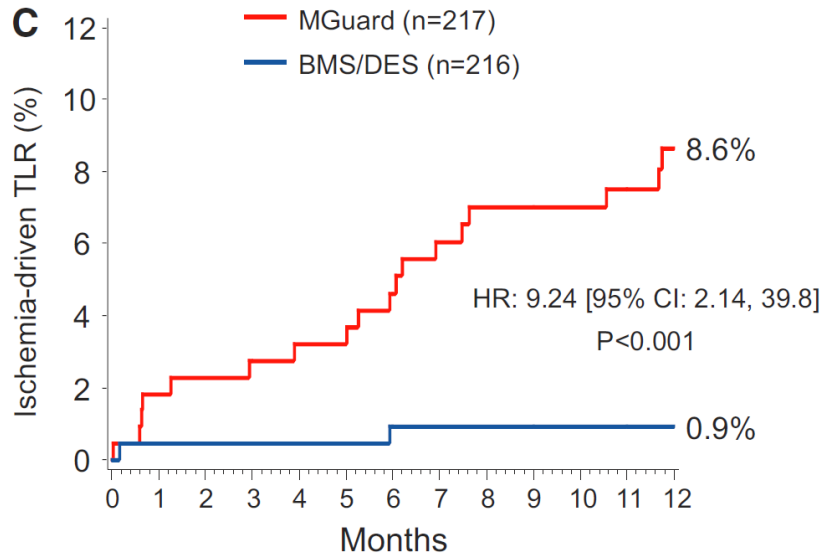


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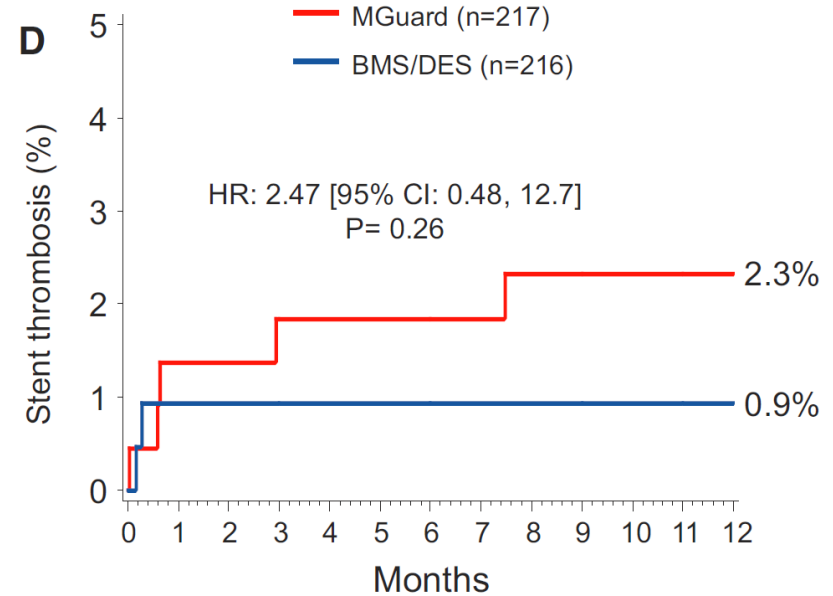
- In the MASTER trial of patients with STEMI undergoing primary PCI, patients treated with the MGuard stent had a trend toward reduced cardiac and all-cause mortality at 1 year.
- The 1-year rates of MACE in the MGuard group were higher than in the control stent group, driven by increased rate of ischemia-driven TLR, consistent with that expected from BMS.

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- Data from ongoing randomized clinical trials powered for clinical end points are needed to weigh the competing risks and benefits of the MGuard as an alternative to conventional metallic stents in patients with STEMI.



# The MGuard coronary stent: safety, efficacy, and clinical utility

**Table 1** Summary of studies with the MGuard stent in patients with STEMI

	n	Comparative treatment	Follow-up	ST-segment resolution	TIMI flow 3 achieved	Blush grade 3	Mortality 30 days/1 year	TLR 30 days/1 year	Stent thrombosis 30 days/1 year
<b>Randomized trials</b>									
MASTER I <sup>12</sup>	433	BMS/DES	1 year	57.8 vs 44.7 P (0.008)	91.7 vs 82.9 P (0.006)	74.2 vs 72.1 P (NS)	0 vs 1.9 P (NS)/ 1 vs 3.3 P (NS)	1.8 vs 0.5 P (NS)/8.6 vs 0.9 P (0.0003)	1.4 vs 0.9 P (NS)/2.3 vs 0.9 P (NS)
MICAMI-MGUARD <sup>33</sup>	40	BMS	6 months	–	90 vs 80 P (NS)	90 vs 50 P (0.006)	0 vs 0/NA	0 vs 0/NA	0 vs 0
MASTER III <sup>14</sup>	310	BMS/DES	30 days	56.9 vs 59.3 P (NS)	91.4 vs 89 P (NS)	–	0.6 vs 1.9 P (NS)/NA	2.6 vs 2.6 P (NS)/NA	2.6 vs 3.2 P (NS)/NA
MASTER I + III <sup>14</sup> (pooled analysis)	743	BMS/DES	30 days	57.5 vs 50.7 P (NS)	91.6 vs 85.4 P (0.008)	–	0.3 vs 1.9 P (0.04)/NA	2.2 vs 1.3 P (NS)/NA	1.9 vs 1.9 P (NS)/NA
<b>Nonrandomized</b>									
<sup>a</sup> Piscione et al <sup>15</sup>	100	–	24 months	90	2.85 (mean)	90	2.3/2.2 <sup>b</sup>	–/3.4 <sup>b</sup>	2.3/1.1 <sup>b</sup>
MAGICAL <sup>16</sup>	60	–	36 months	61.4	90	73	0/7 <sup>c</sup>	0/1.8 <sup>c</sup>	0/0 <sup>c</sup>
Romaguera et al <sup>13</sup>	56	–	9 months	58.7	82.3	55.4	0 <sup>d</sup>	1.8 <sup>d</sup>	1.8 <sup>d</sup>
REWARD-MI <sup>18</sup>	158 <sup>e</sup>	BMS	10 months	–	97.5 vs 94.9 P (NS)	–	NA/6.3 vs 6.3 P (NS)	NA/11.4 vs 1.3 P (0.009)	NA/2.4 vs 1.3 P (NS)
iMOS registry <sup>19</sup> (STEMI only)	268	–	12 months	86	94	74	–	–	–

**Notes:** Values expressed as %. <sup>a</sup>Excluding 16 cardiogenic shock patients, in whom five events of in-hospital deaths occurred; <sup>b</sup>at 24 months; <sup>c</sup>at 36 months; <sup>d</sup>at 9 months; <sup>e</sup>matched group.

**Abbreviations:** BMS, bare metal stent; DES, drug-eluting stent; NA, not available; NS, not significant; STEMI, ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction; TLR, target lesion revascularization; TIMI, thrombolysis in myocardial infarction.

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**Additional randomized clinical trials powered for clinical endpoints are needed to weigh the competing benefits (*potentially improved myocardial reperfusion, reduced infarct size and greater survival*) and risks (*potentially greater restenosis*) of the MGuard as an alternative to metallic stents in patients with STEMI.**

# SVG

# Coronary Stenting with MGuard: First-In-Man Trial

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Characteristic	
Age (years, mean $\pm$ SD)	68.1 $\pm$ 11.0
Female gender, n, (%)	5 (17.2%)
Previous myocardial infarction, n, (%)	12 (41.4%)
Congestive heart failure, n, (%)	4 (13.8%)
Left ventricular ejection fraction (mean $\pm$ SD)	56.9 $\pm$ 13.5%
Diabetes mellitus, n, (%)	10 (34.5%)
Hypertension, n, (%)	23 (79.3%)
Hyperlipidemia, n, (%)	23 (79.3%)
Former or current smokers, n, (%)	13 (44.8%)
Acute coronary syndromes, n, (%)	21 (72.4%)
Degenerated vein grafts, n, (%)	17 (58.6%)
Native coronaries (7 RCAs, 3 LADs, 2 LCXs), n, (%)	12 (41.4%)
Percent stenosis (% mean $\pm$ SD)	89 $\pm$ 9.7%
Mean reference diameter (mm, mean $\pm$ SD)	3.64 $\pm$ 0.63
Stents deployed (mean $\pm$ SD)	1.46 $\pm$ 0.63
Predilatation with undersized balloon (2–2.5 mm)	23 (78.3%)
Postdilatation, n, (%)	8 (27.6%)
Aspirin clopidogrel and UFH use, n, (%)	29 (100%)
Glycoprotein IIb/IIIa inhibitors use, n, (%)	0 (0%)
Emboic protection device use, n, (%)	0 (0%)
Preprocedural TIMI flow (mean $\pm$ SD)	2.4 $\pm$ 0.63

n=29 pts

Device and procedural success were 100% and 96.5%, respectively. One patient experienced a procedure-related CPK rise. No MACE were reported at 1 month.

LAD = left anterior descending artery; LCX = left circumflex artery; SD = standard deviation; TIMI = thrombolysis in myocardial infarction; UFH = unfractionated heparin



# Final Results of the INSPIRE Trial

**TABLE IV. Intravascular Ultrasound Main Findings at Postprocedure and 6-Month Follow-up**

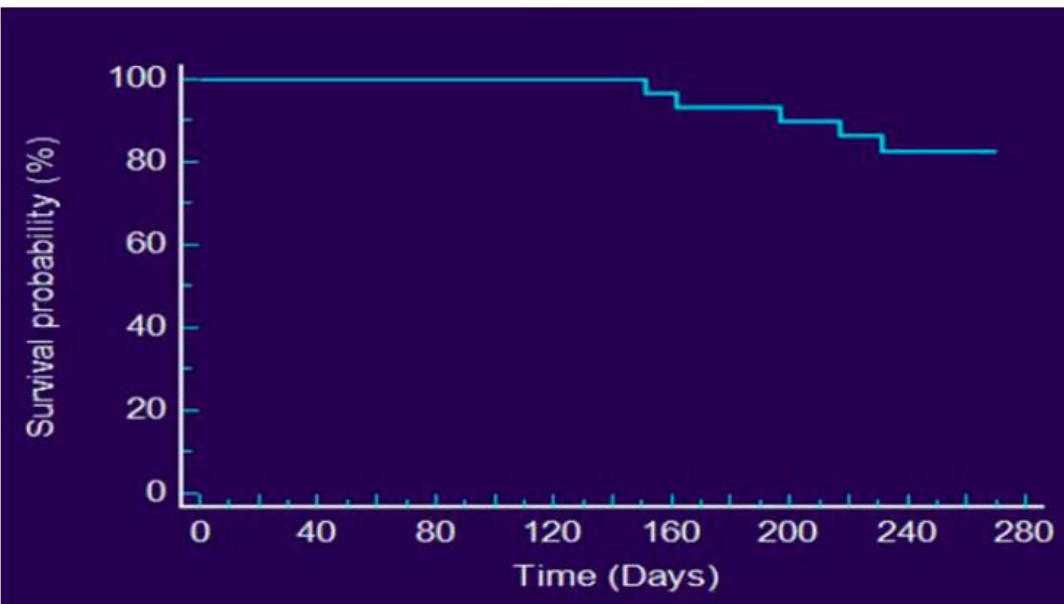
	Postprocedure	
	SVG ( <i>n</i> = 10)	Native coronary ( <i>n</i> = 10)
Mean reference CSA (mm <sup>2</sup> )	8.7 ± 3.7	10.2 ± 3.5
In-stent minimum CSA (mm <sup>2</sup> )	7.1 ± 2.8	7.8 ± 2.0
Stent expansion (%)	83.0 ± 13	77.9 ± 8.1
Plaque prolapsed (%)	0	0
Acute incomplete stent apposition (%)	0	0
Six-month follow-up		
	SVG ( <i>n</i> = 10)	Native coronary ( <i>n</i> = 10)
% of stent obstruction	28.8 ± 13.5	33.6 ± 13.5
Late acquired incomplete stent apposition (%)	0	10% (1)



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**TABLE V. One-Year MACE Rate and Stent Thrombosis**

	Total ( <i>n</i> = 30)	SVG ( <i>n</i> = 16)	Native coronary ( <i>n</i> = 14)
Cardiac death	0	0	0
Myocardial infarction (%)	6.7% (2)	0	6.7% (2)
Q-wave MI	3.35% (1)	0	3.35% (1)
Non-Q-wave MI	3.35% (1)	0	3.35% (1)
TLR	20% (6)	18.8% (3)	21.2% (3)
Total MACE	23.3% (7)	18.8% (3)	35.7% (3)
Stent thrombosis <sup>a</sup>	0	0	0





## Preliminary Experiences Using the MGuard Stent Platform in Saphenous Vein Graft Lesions

Seven patients

Eight SVGs (mean age 15 y) treated with 12 MGuard Stents

Clinical presentation of ACS: 6 pts; 86%

Diabetes melitus: 5 pts; 71%

Emboic protection device: 1 pt

No graft related embolization

Procedural success: 100%

NO MACE during 30-day follow up

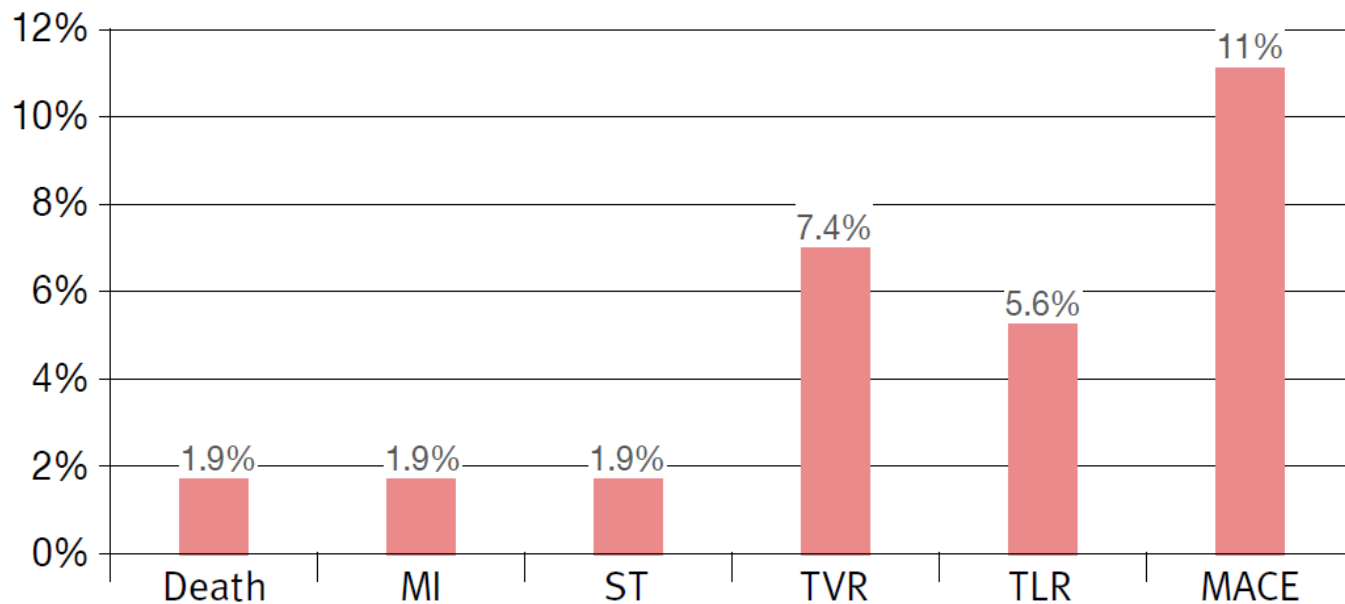
# MGuard Stent in SVGs and Native Coronary Arteries

	Native artery (n=54)	Vein grafts (n=109)
<b>Patient characteristics</b>		
Age (yrs)	61 ± 12	74 ± 10
Male	44 (82%)	92 (84%)
NIDDM	14 (26%)	62 (57%)
Hypertension	30 (57%)	91 (84%)
Dyslipidemia	39 (72%)	96 (88%)
Current smoker	30 (57%)	9 (8%)
Previous PCI	13 (24%)	50 (46%)
Previous CABG	2 (4%)	100%
Renal failure	5 (9%)	41 (38%)
<b>Clinical presentation</b>		
STEMI	45 (83%)	12 (11%)
ACS	9 (17%)	86 (79%)
Stable angina	0	11 (10%)
Silent ischemia	0	4 (4%)
LVEF < 40%	18 (33%)	37 (34%)
Double- and triple-vessel disease	32 (59%)	100%

- **163 consecutive patients who underwent MGuard stent deployment during the period 2009 to 2014 in a large tertiary cardiac center in central Israel.**

# MGuard Stent in SVGs and Native Coronary Arteries

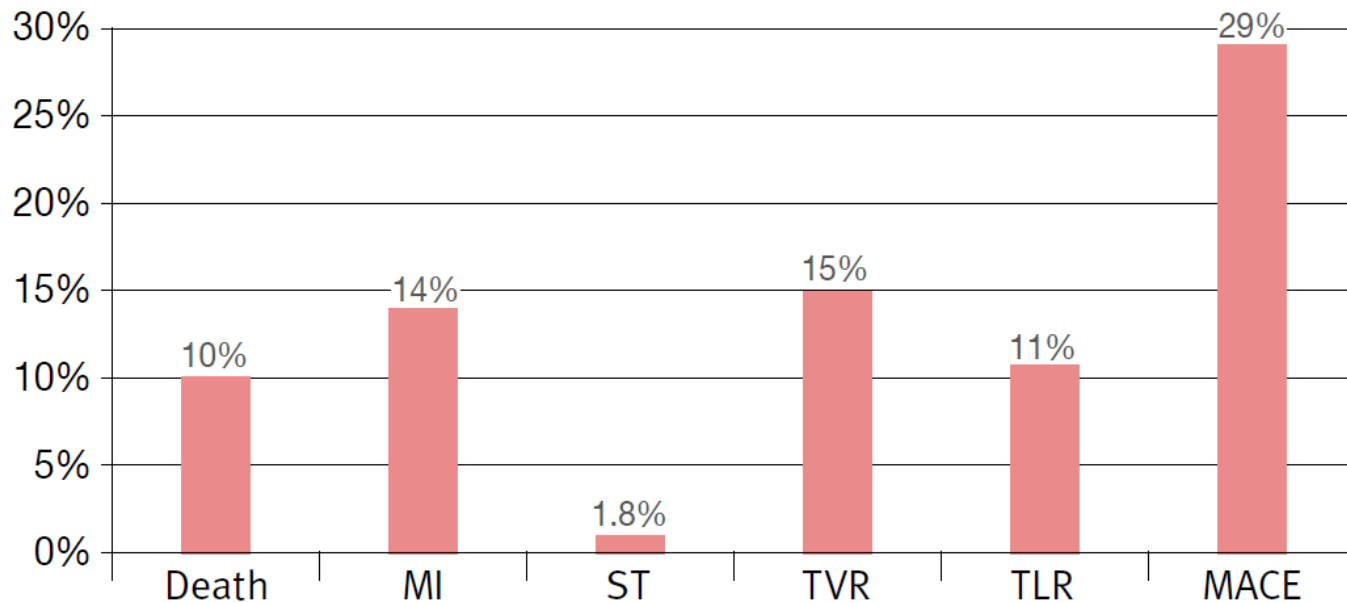
**Figure 1.** Patient outcomes at 1 year for native arteries



MI = myocardial infarction, ST = stent thrombosis, TVR = target vessel revascularization, TLR = target lesion revascularization, MACE = major adverse cardiac events

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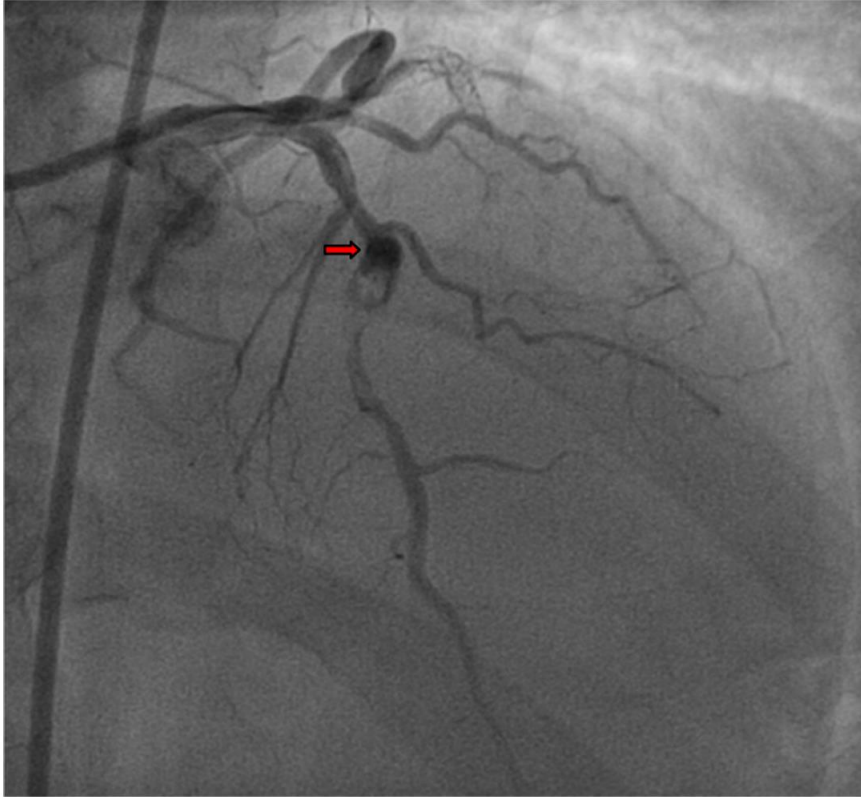
**Figure 2.** One year outcomes of saphenous vein grafts–percutaneous coronary interventions



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# Anurysms

# MGuard to Treat Coronary Aneurysms



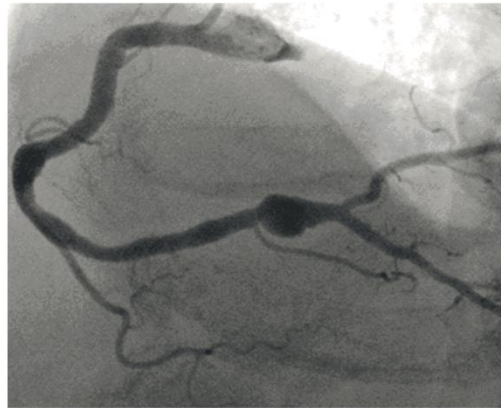
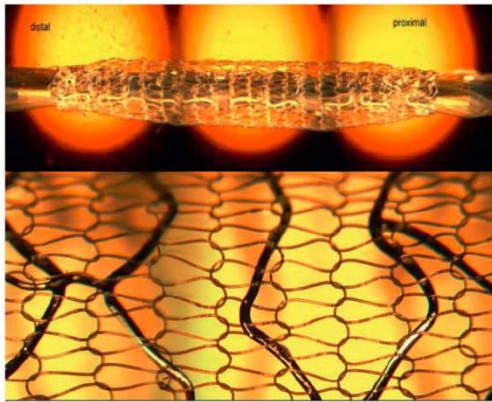
**Fig. 1 – Aneurysm at the proximal end of the stent and angiographically. Visible thrombus.**



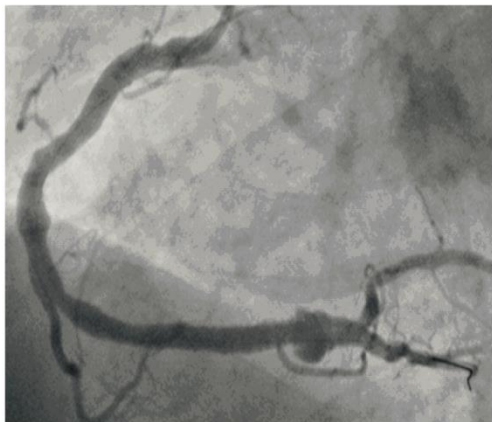
**Fig. 5 – Final picture after deploying MGuard stent with TIMI 3 flow.**



# MGuard to Treat Coronary Aneurysms



**B. Angiography of RCA with the presence of a large saccular aneurysm involving the distal part of the artery to the crux cordis.**

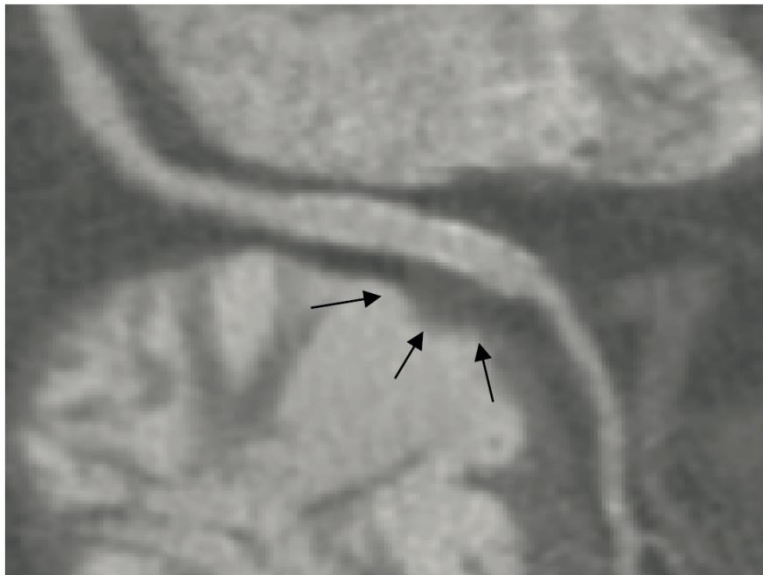


**C. Partial opacification of the aneurysmal sac through the holes of the mesh just after stent implantation.**

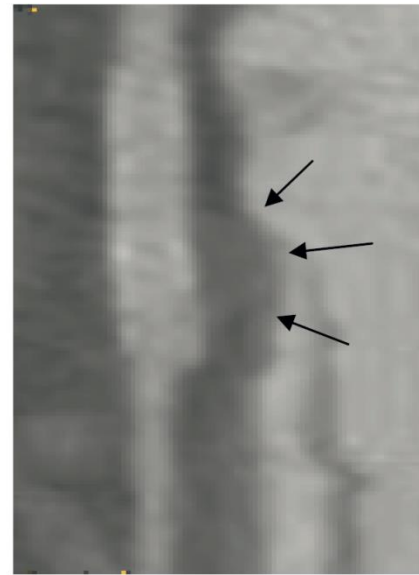
**D. Coronary angiography at one month follow-up showing the exclusion of the aneurysm.**

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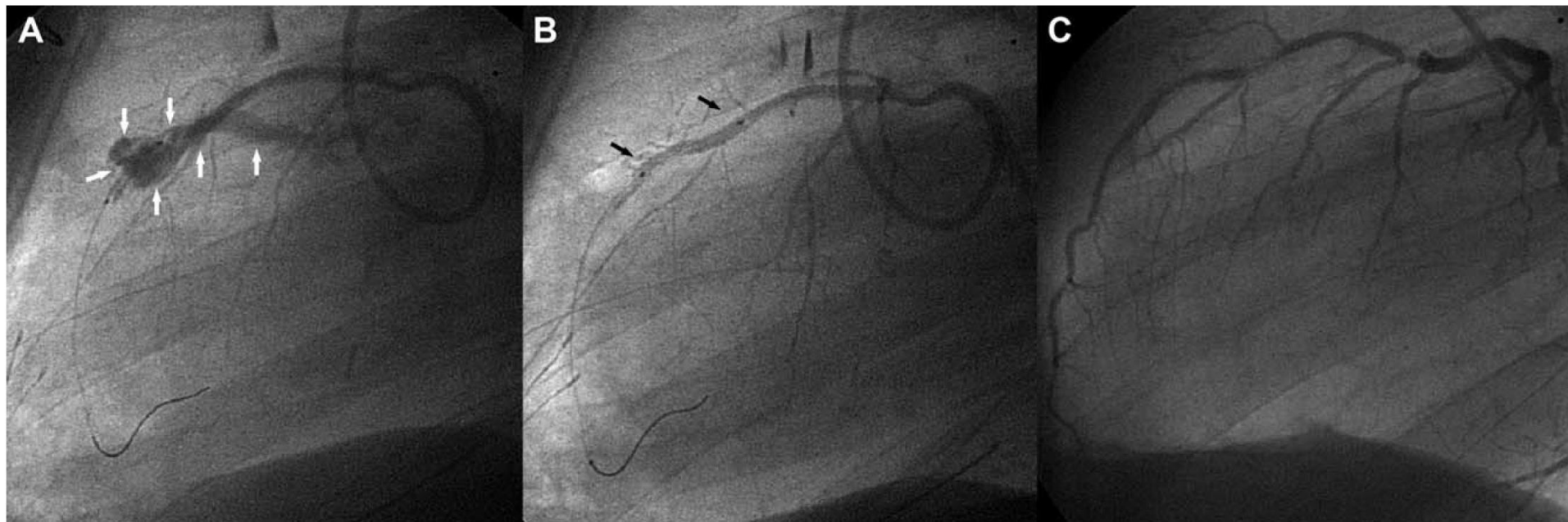
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- E. Coronary CT scan at one month: multiplanar reformation of RCA near the crux cordis; on the right ventricle side of the distal part of the stent, is clearly demonstrated the water density remnant of the treated aneurysm (arrows): low density fat is surrounding the proximal stent.**
- F. Coronary CT scan at one month: The magnified view of the stent allows for a better identification of the treated aneurysm (arrows).**

# Perforations

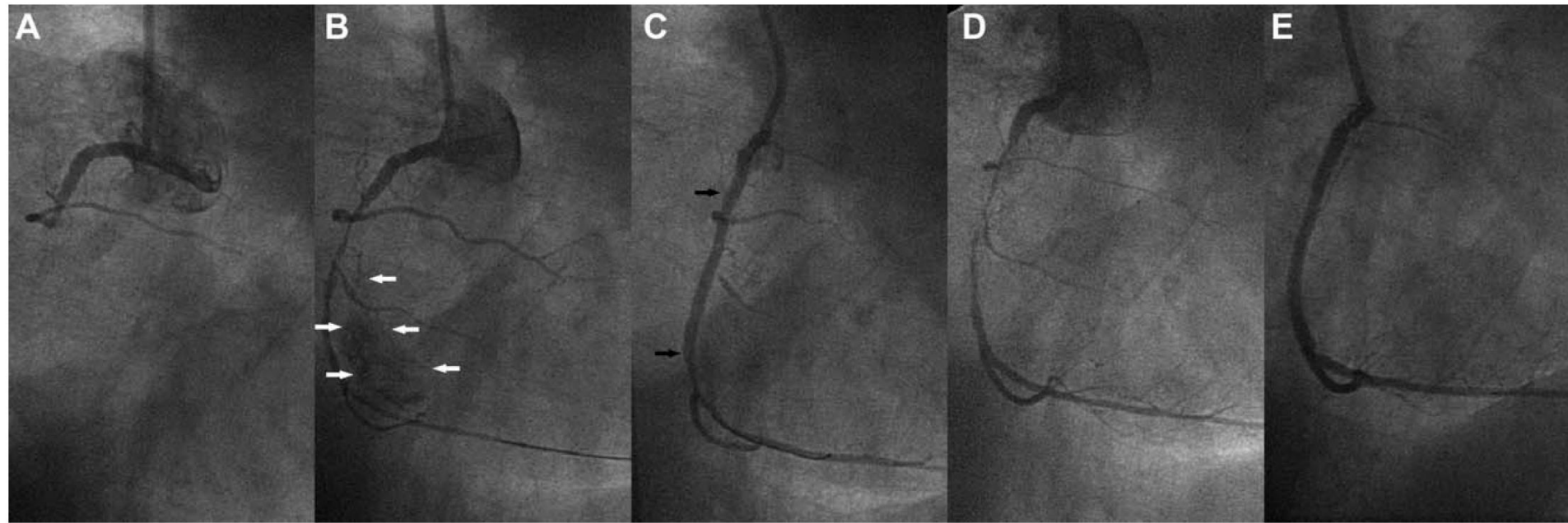
# MGuard to Treat Coronary Arterial Perforations



**Fig. 2. Case 1: Coronary angiogram (90° lateral projection) showing (A) vessel rupture with free contrast extravasation (white arrows) and (B) successful sealing of the perforation with no further contrast extravasation after implantation of the second mesh-covered stent (black arrows). The 12-months follow-up angiogram (C) demonstrated TIMI 3 flow, although significant in-stent restenosis was noted.**



# MGuard to Treat Coronary Arterial Perforations



**Fig. 3. Case 2: Coronary angiogram (30° right oblique projection) showing (A) preintervention total occlusion of the RCA; (B) free contrast extravasation (white arrows) after guidewire repositioning; (C) successful sealing of the perforation with no further contrast extravasation after implantation of the mesh-covered stent (black arrows); (D) 12-months follow-up angiogram with diffuse in-stent restenosis; (E) final result after everolimus-eluting stents implantation.**

# MGuard to Treat Coronary Arterial Perforations

- In conclusion, the MGuard mesh-covered stent can be successfully used to seal CPs. However, when they are used in this bailout situation, *higher rates of restenosis may be expected.*



## Guidelines on myocardial revascularization

The Task Force on Myocardial Revascularization of the European Society of Cardiology (ESC) and the European Association for Cardio-Thoracic Surgery (EACTS)

**„The use of mesh-based protection may be considered for PCI of highly thrombotic or coronary vein grafts lesions (IIb C)“**

# The use of MGuard stent is NOT recommended in:



- vessel with extreme tortuosity
- heavy calcifications
- lesions located distally to previously implanted coronary stents
- coronary bifurcation lesions with large side branch (branches can potentially be compromised by the presence of polymer mesh)

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**The greater restenosis of the MGuard may be limited with the introduction of sirolimus-eluting version of the stent, which is hopefully under development.**