

STENTING WILL NOT EVENTUALLY REPLACE CEA

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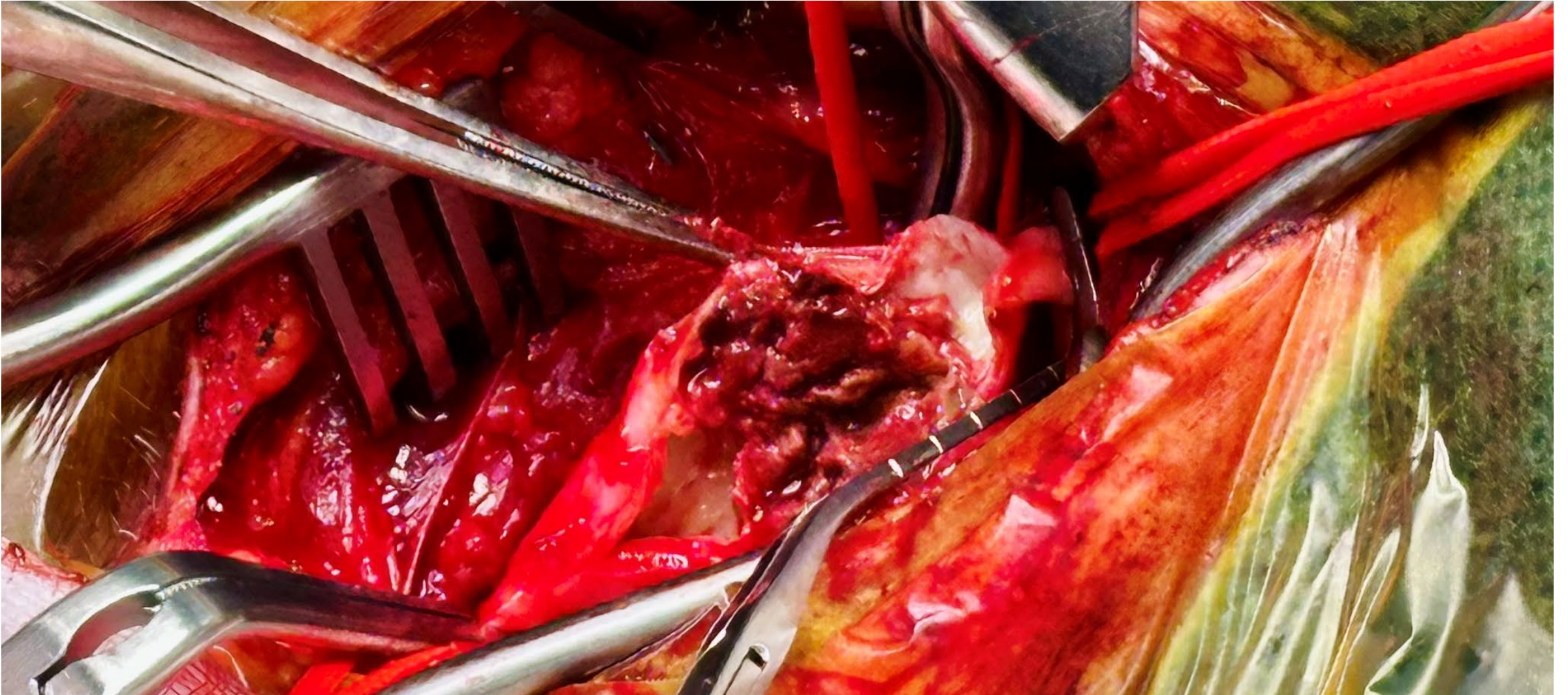
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CEA OR STENT?



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CEA IS PROVEN, SAFE, AND EFFECTIVE - SYMPTOMATIC

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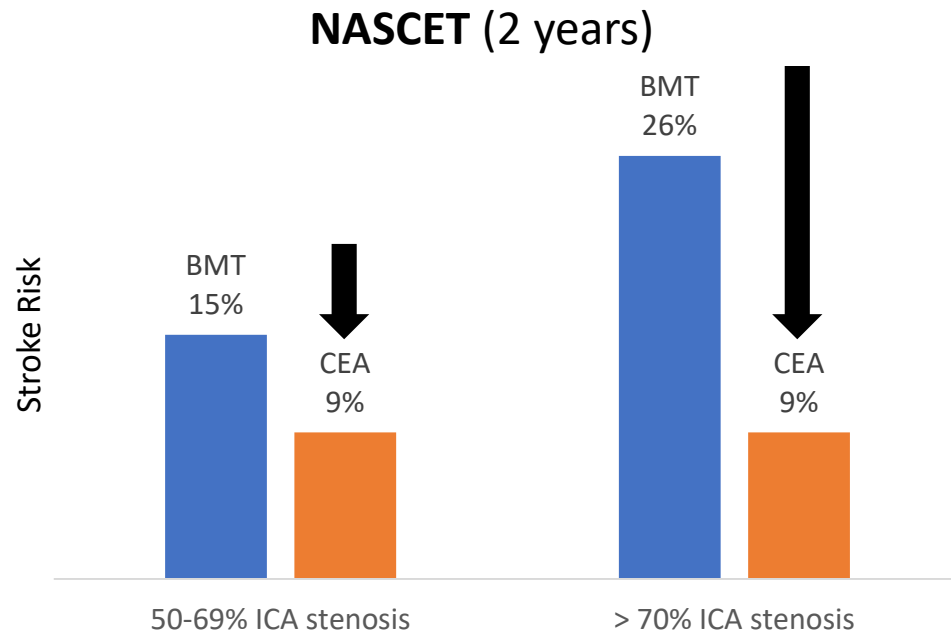
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BENEFICIAL EFFECT OF CAROTID ENDARTERECTOMY IN SYMPTOMATIC PATIENTS WITH HIGH-GRADE CAROTID STENOSIS

NORTH AMERICAN SYMPTOMATIC CAROTID ENDARTERECTOMY TRIAL COLLABORATORS*

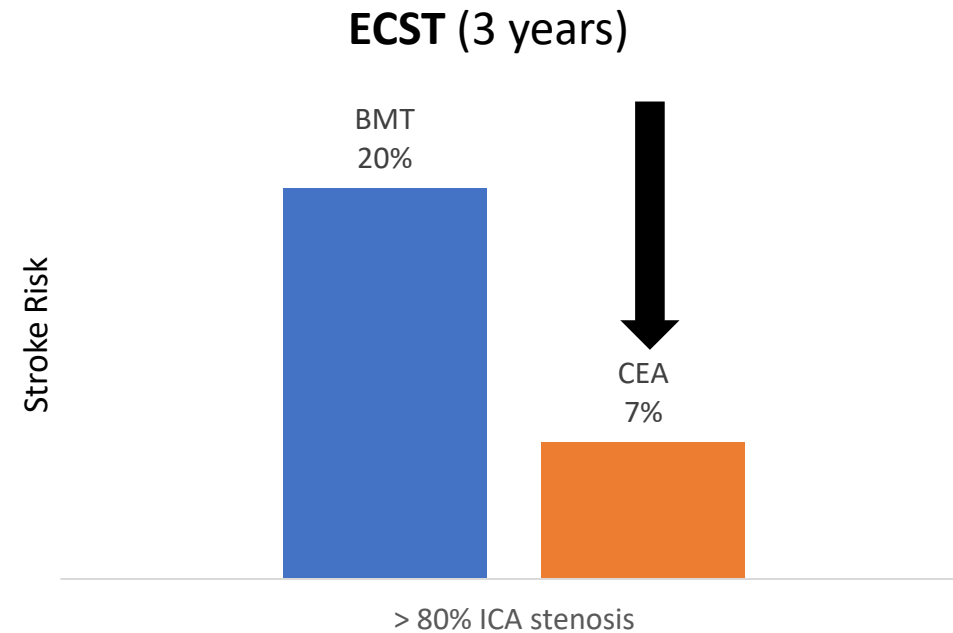


ARTICLES

Articles

Randomised trial of endarterectomy for recently symptomatic carotid stenosis: final results of the MRC European Carotid Surgery Trial (ECST)

European Carotid Surgery Trialists' Collaborative Group*



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2023 ESVS Carotid Guidelines ➡ Endorse CEA
Naylor et al

Especially...

- Older patients
- Revasc <14-days

Recommendation 41		Unchanged
For patients reporting carotid territory symptoms within the preceding six months and who have a 50–69% carotid stenosis, carotid endarterectomy should be considered provided the documented 30 day risk of death/stroke rate is <6%.		
Class	Level	References ToE
Ila	A	Rothwell <i>et al.</i> (2003) ³⁵⁷ , Rothwell <i>et al.</i> (2004) ³⁵⁸ , Rothwell <i>et al.</i> (2004) ³⁵⁹

Recommendation 40		Unchanged
For patients reporting carotid territory symptoms within the preceding six months and who have a 70–99% carotid stenosis, carotid endarterectomy is recommended provided the 30 day risk of death/stroke rate is <6%.		
Class	Level	References ToE
I	A	Rothwell <i>et al.</i> (2003) ³⁵⁷ , Rothwell <i>et al.</i> (2004) ³⁵⁸ , Rothwell <i>et al.</i> (2004) ³⁵⁹

Recommendation 42		Unchanged
For patients aged ≥70 years who have experienced a carotid territory transient ischaemic attack or ischaemic stroke within the preceding 6 months in association with a 50–99% carotid stenosis, it is recommended that they should be treated by carotid endarterectomy, rather than carotid stenting.		
Class	Level	References ToE
I	A	Howard <i>et al.</i> (2016) ¹⁶⁹

Recommendation 45		Unchanged
For patients who are undergoing revascularisation within the first 14 days after onset of symptoms, it is recommended that they should undergo carotid endarterectomy, rather than carotid stenting.		
Class	Level	References ToE
I	A	Rantner <i>et al.</i> (2017) ¹⁷⁰ , Rantner <i>et al.</i> (2013) ³⁸⁴

CEA IS PROVEN, SAFE, AND EFFECTIVE - ASYMPTOMATICS

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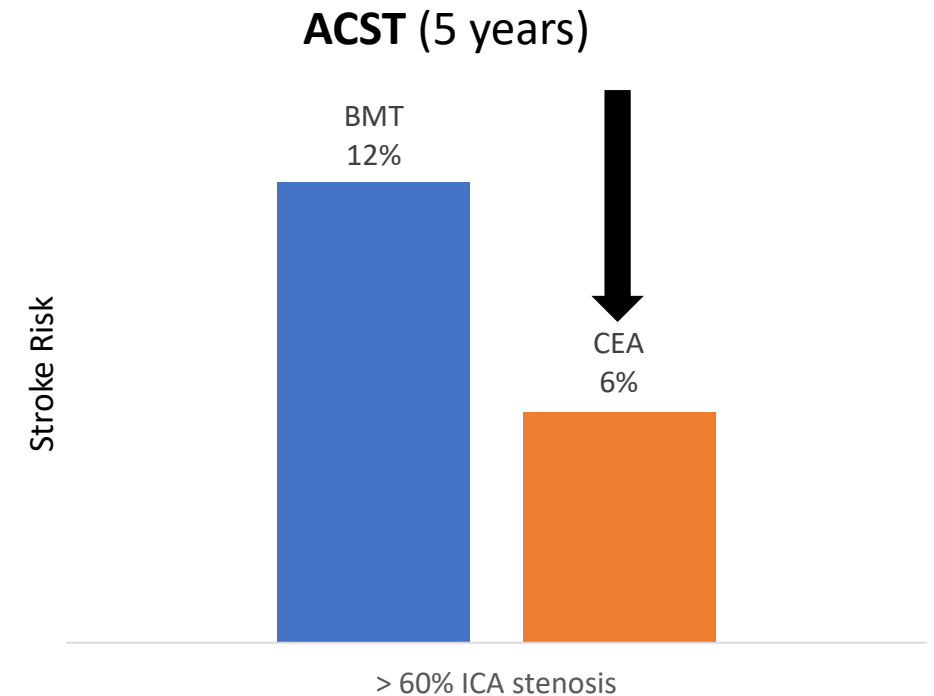
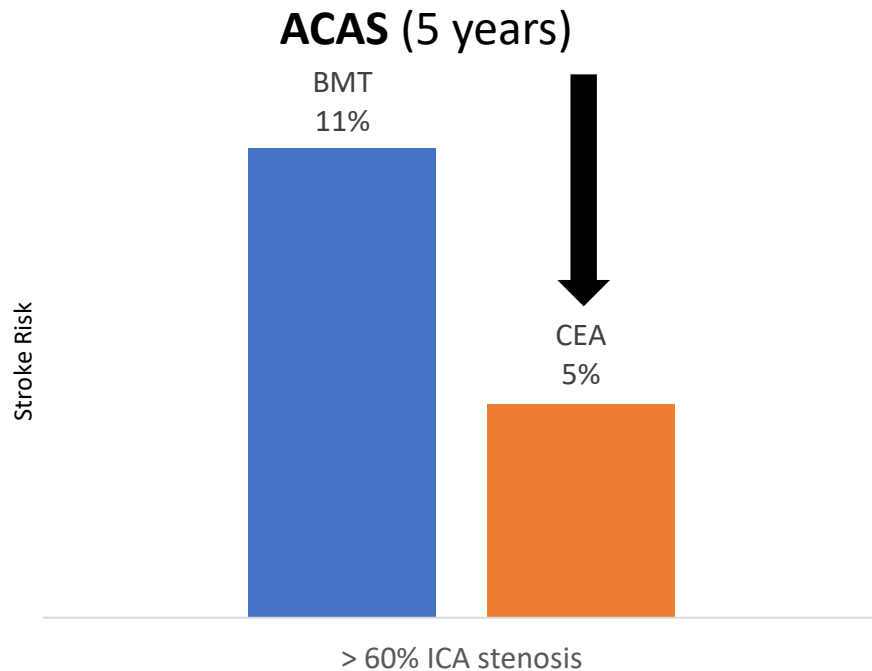
May 10, 1995

Endarterectomy for Asymptomatic Carotid Artery Stenosis

Michael D. Walker, MD; John R. Marler, MD; Murray Goldstein, DO; [et al](#)
JAMA. 1995;273(18):1421-1428. doi:10.1001/jama.1995.03520420037035

10-year stroke prevention after successful carotid endarterectomy for asymptomatic stenosis (ACST-1): a multicentre randomised trial

*Alison Halliday, Michael Harrison, Elizabeth Hayter, Xiangling Kong, Averil Mansfield, Joanna Marro, Hongchao Pan, Richard Peto, John Potter, Kazem Rahimi, Angela Rau, Steven Robertson, Jonathan Streifler, Dafydd Thomas, on behalf of the Asymptomatic Carotid Surgery Trial (ACST) Collaborative Group**



CEA = GOLD STANDARD



STENTING

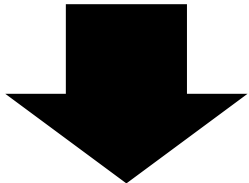
- Transfemoral carotid artery stenting (TF-CAS)

- For “high risk” CEA:

CHF class III or IV
LVEF < 30%
Unstable angina
Contralateral carotid occlusion
Recent MI
Recurrent stenosis of a prior CEA
Prior neck radiation

- Compared to CEA:

MI rates



30-day stroke



STENTING = “NON-INFERIOR”

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Stenting versus Endarterectomy for Treatment of Carotid-Artery Stenosis

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CREST

- No difference in 30d *composite* outcomes (death-MI-stroke) @ 4y
- CAS: Increased stroke (4.1 vs 2.3%), worse with age

Recommendation 42

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For patients aged **≥70 years** who have experienced a **carotid territory transient ischaemic attack or ischaemic stroke within the preceding 6 months in association with a 50–99% carotid stenosis**, it is recommended that they **should be treated by carotid endarterectomy, rather than carotid stenting.**

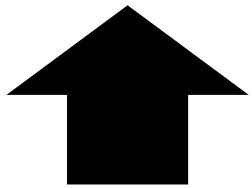
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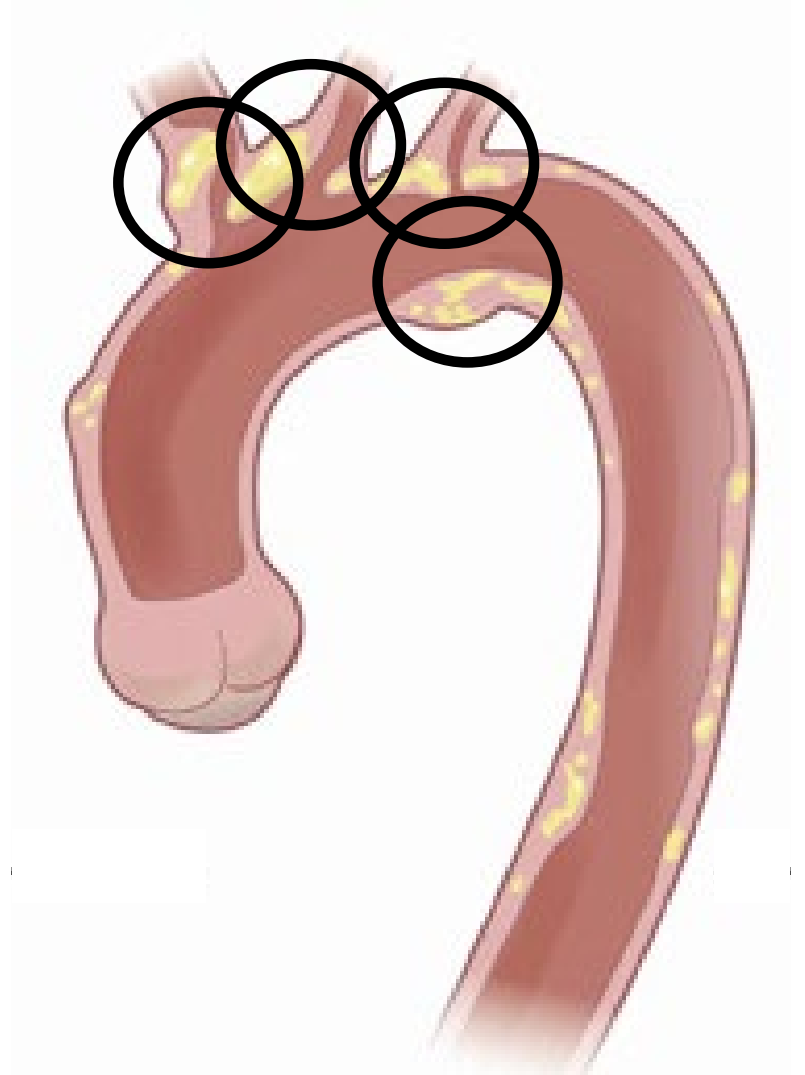
New ischaemic brain lesions on MRI after stenting or endarterectomy for symptomatic carotid stenosis: a substudy of the International Carotid Stenting Study (ICSS)

Leo H Bonati, Lisa M Jongen, Sven Haller, H Zwenneke Flach, Joanna Dobson, Paul J Nederkoorn, Sumaira Macdonald, Peter A Gaines, Annet Waaijer, Peter Stierli, H Rolf Jäger, Philippe A Lyrer, L Jaap Kappelle, Stephan G Wetzel, Aad van der Lugt, Willem P Mali, Martin M Brown, H Bart van der Worp, Stefan T Engelter, for the ICSS-MRI study group*

CAS with embolic protection device (EPD):



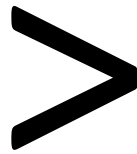
- 3x strokes post CAS
 - 1/3 being *multiple* lesions
 - ~ ½ contralateral lesions



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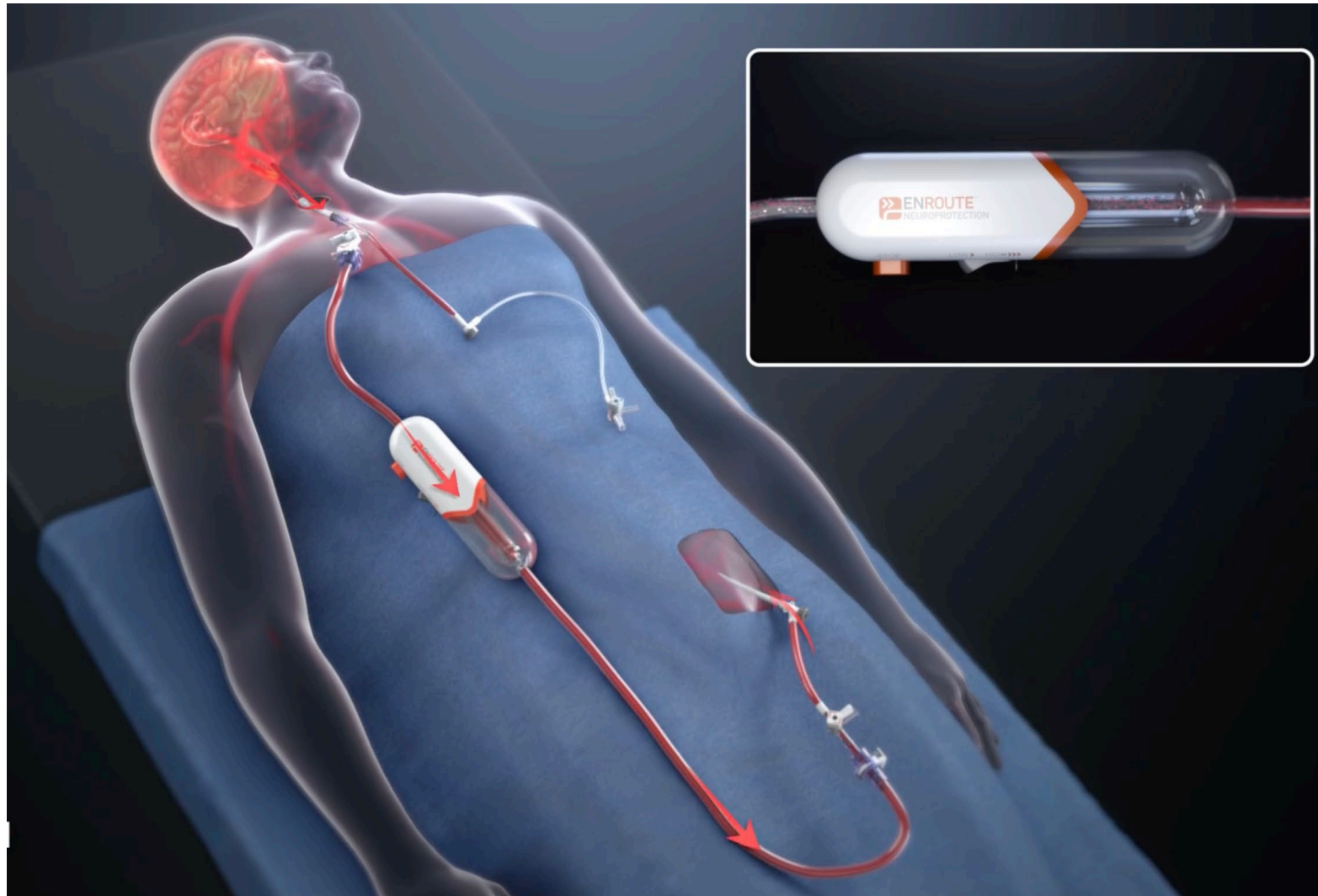


CAS



SUPPLEMENTAL SLIDES

TRANSCAROTID ARTERY REVASCULARIZATION (TCAR)

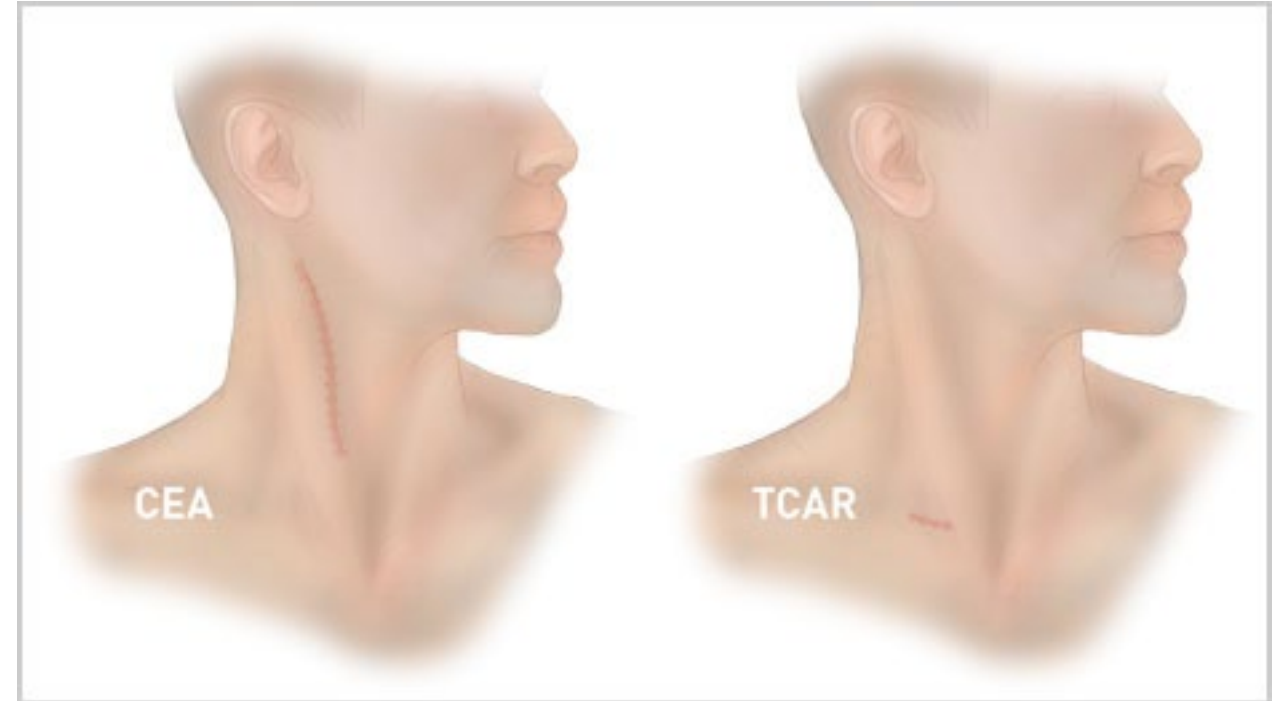


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TCAR

- High risk surgical patients

CHF class III or IV
LVEF < 30%
Unstable angina
Contralateral carotid occlusion
Recent MI
Recurrent stenosis of a prior CEA
Prior neck radiation



- No RCTs...yet (registries only)
- Risk reduction compared to BMT?

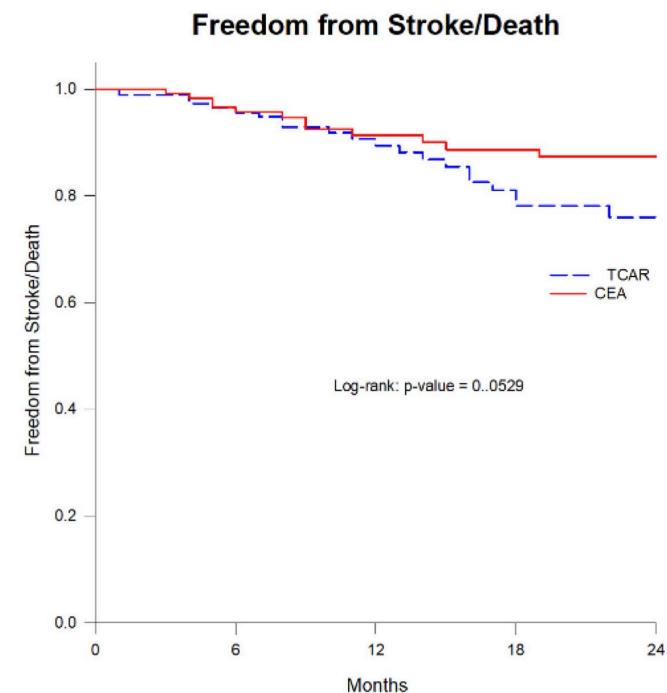
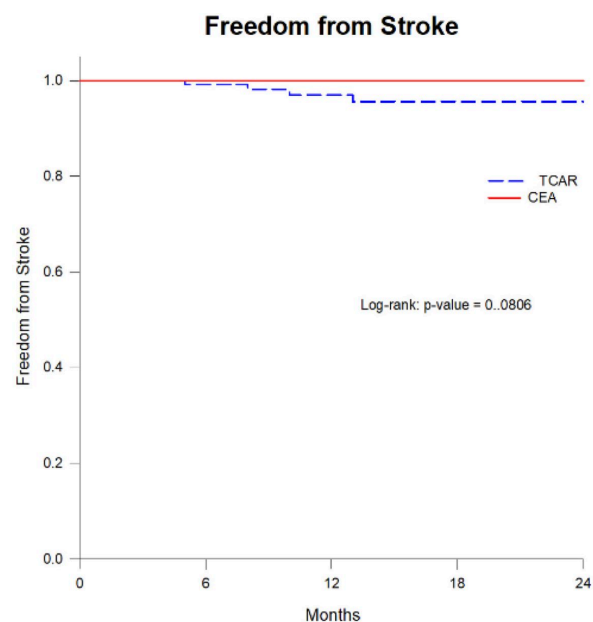
Anatomical concerns:

- Low bifurcation
- CCA disease
- ++ calcium
- Acute/mobile thrombus
- ICA diameter, tortuosity

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Clinical outcomes of transcarotid artery revascularization vs carotid endarterectomy from a large single-center experience

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Carotid Endarterectomy is Less Expensive than Transcarotid Artery Revascularization



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Table V: Results of Cost Analysis – Entire Cohort

	Total (n=187)	CEA (n=136)	TCAR (n=51)	P-Value
<i>Length of Stay, days (±SD)</i>				
Hospital	2.02 (2.18)	1.96 (1.87)	2.18 (2.85)	0.4
ICU*	2.42 (1.78)	2.88 (2.03)	1.50 (0.58)	0.2
<i>Estimated Stay Cost, dollars (±SD)</i>				
Regular Bed	\$4,487 (\$4,839)	\$4,324 (\$4,214)	\$4,920 (\$6,237)	0.082
ICU Bed	\$786 (\$3,725)	\$854 (\$4,155)	\$605 (\$2,226)	0.7
<i>Total Stay Cost (±SD)</i>	\$5,273 (\$7,204)	\$5,178 (\$7,178)	\$5,525 (\$7,340)	0.06
<i>Estimated Procedure Cost, dollars (±SD)</i>	\$3,509 (\$3,530)	\$1,412 (\$160)	\$9,100 (\$1,567)	<0.001
<i>Estimated Net Cost of Hospitalization (±SD)</i>	\$8,782 (\$8,086)	\$6,591 (\$7,206)	\$14,625 (\$7,426)	<0.001

* n= 12 patients had ICU stays

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CEA



TCAR

TF-CAS

