

The Long TAVR Journey: A Chain of RCTs, Guideline Changes, and Future Directions

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OK, What Now?

April 16, 2002

TAVR - 2021

The “TAVR revolution” was not a random event!

It was the inevitable result of decades of bold progressive iteration in surgery, cardiac imaging and transcatheter therapies.

TAVR - 2021

No one could have predicted...

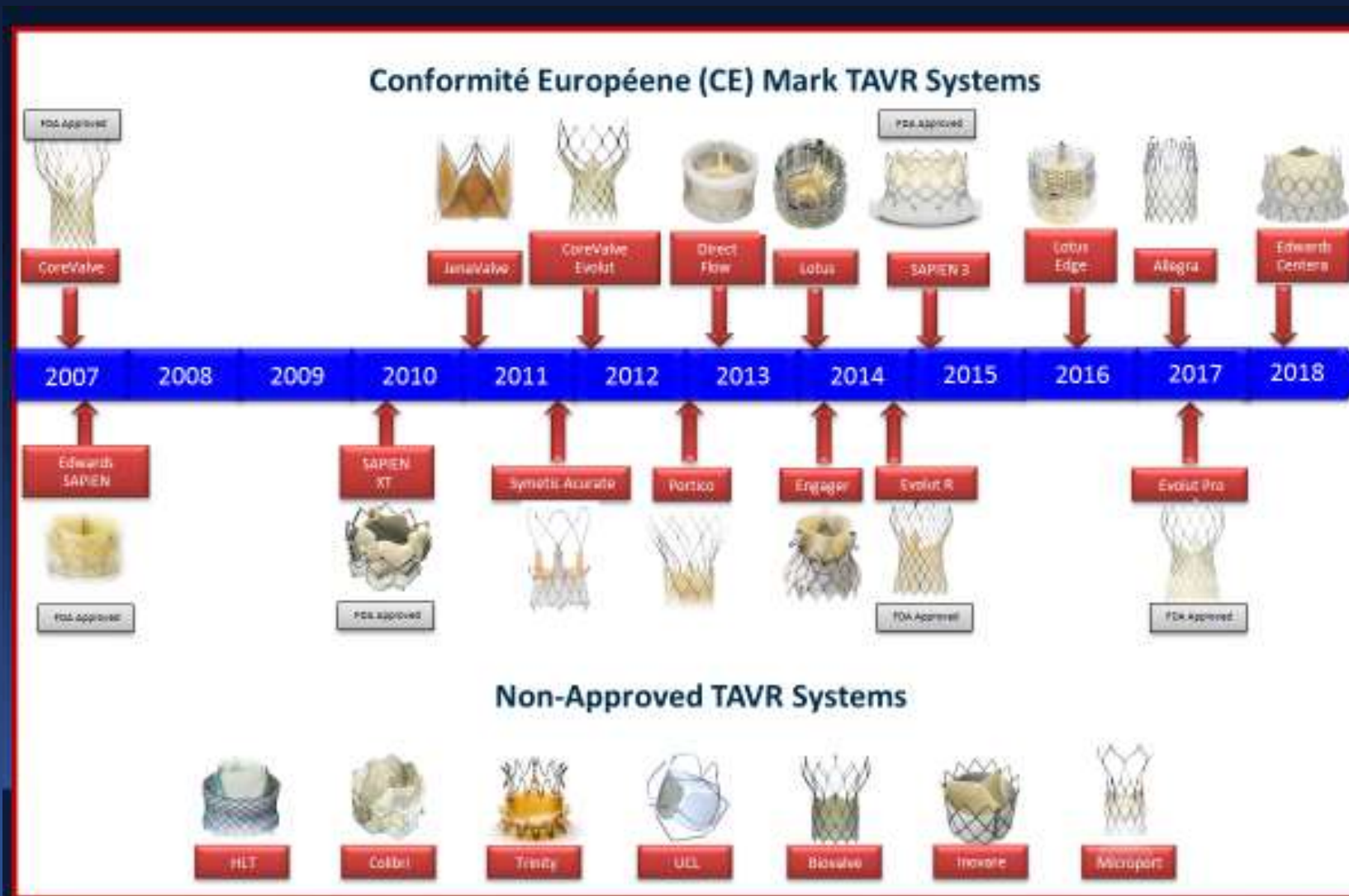
1. Rapid TAVR technology evolution
2. TAVR procedural refinements and simplification
3. Avalanche of TAVR clinical evidence
4. Heart valve team acceptance
5. Dramatic reduction in complications and improved outcomes

Current “Standards” for TAVR

MDT Evolut R (PRO+) **Edwards Sapien 3 (Ultra)**



TAVR Technology Evolution



TAVR - 2021

Accessory Technologies

- Cerebral embolic protection devices
- Dedicated pre-shaped guidewires
- Expandable and in-line sheaths
- Large hole closure devices
- Dedicated pacemaker catheters (and wires)
- Specialized balloons
- Aortic valve remodeling technologies
- Advanced imaging systems

TAVR Procedural Refinements

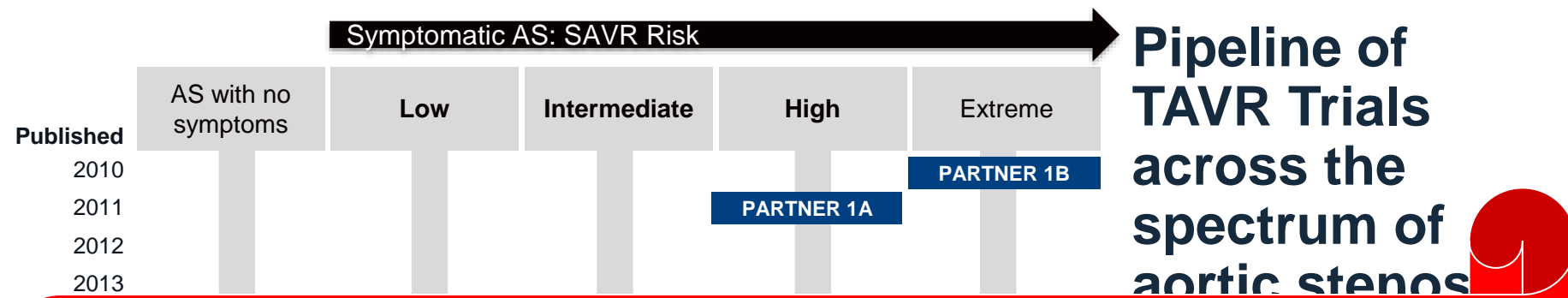
The minimalist strategy

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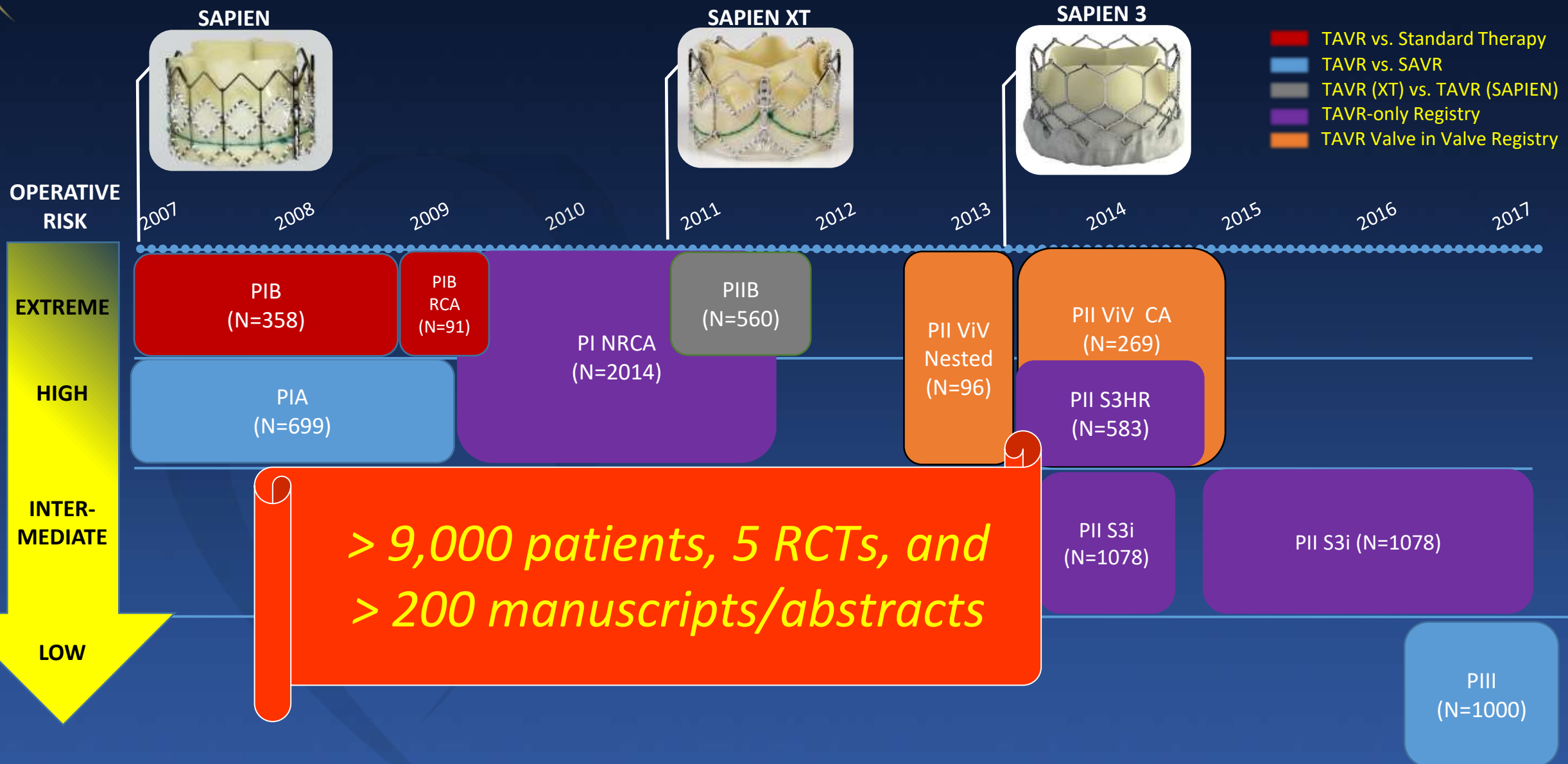
Almost all TAVR cases worldwide are now candidates for some version of “minimalist” procedural strategy!

Median LOS after TAVR is 1-2 days at Columbia-NYP Hospital!

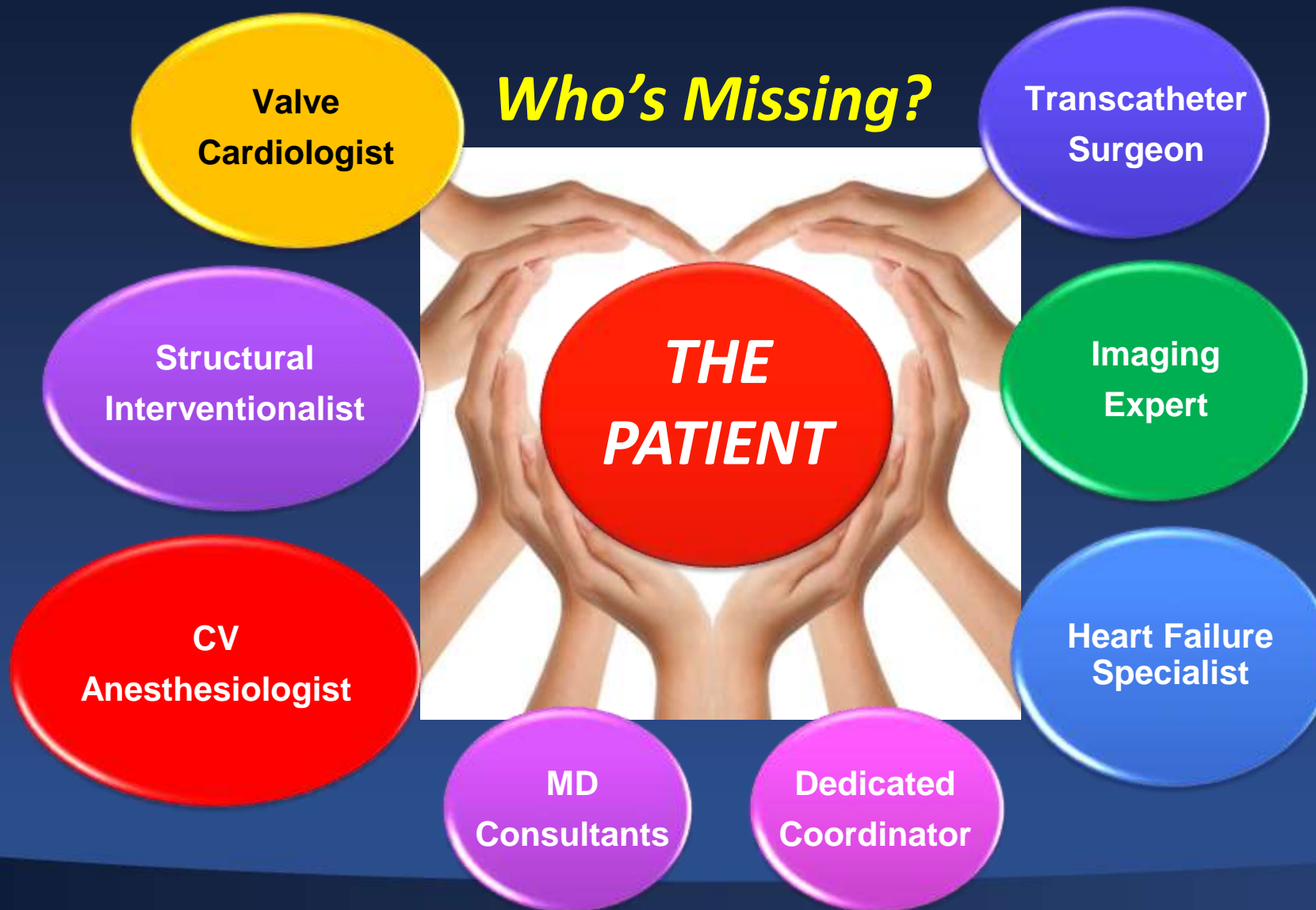
• **id ambulation and early discharge plans (1-2 days)**



The PARTNER Trial Phenomenon

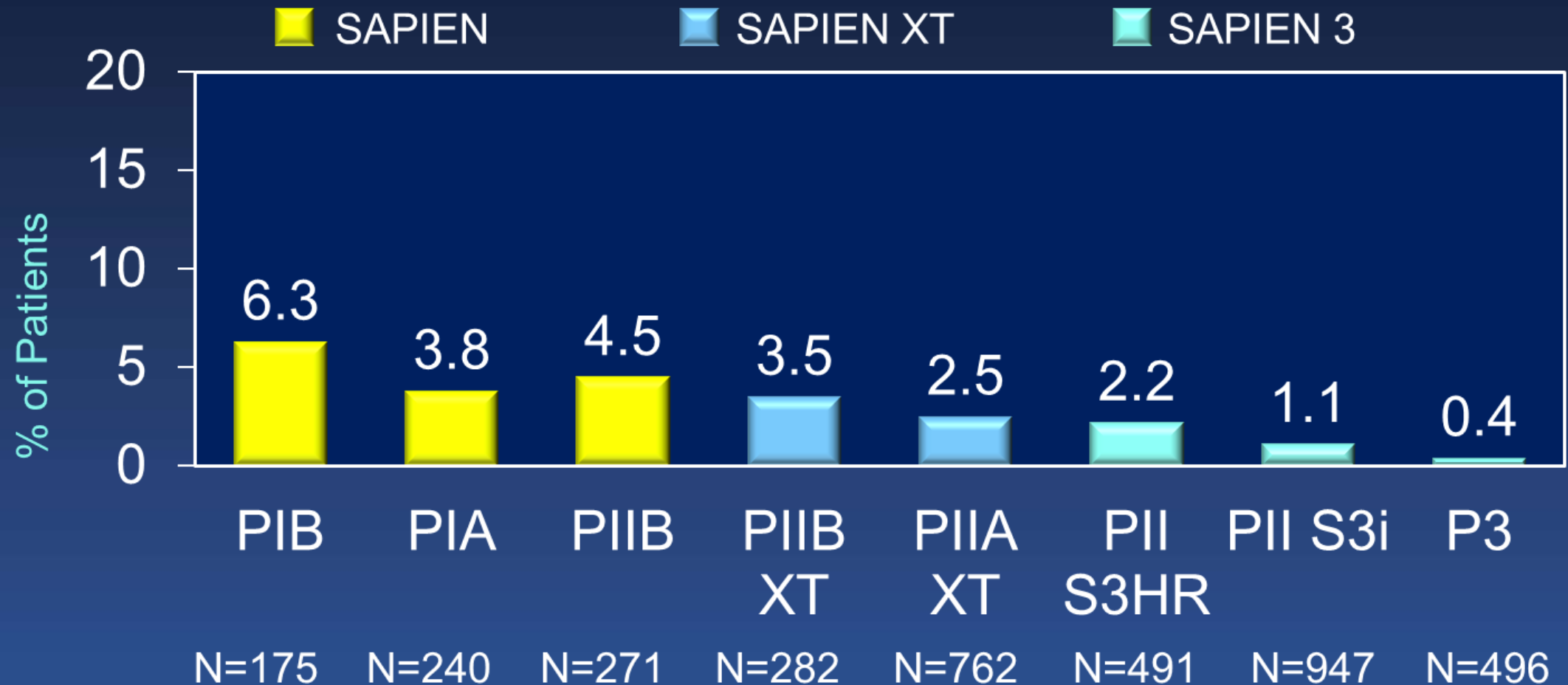


The HEART TEAM 3.0

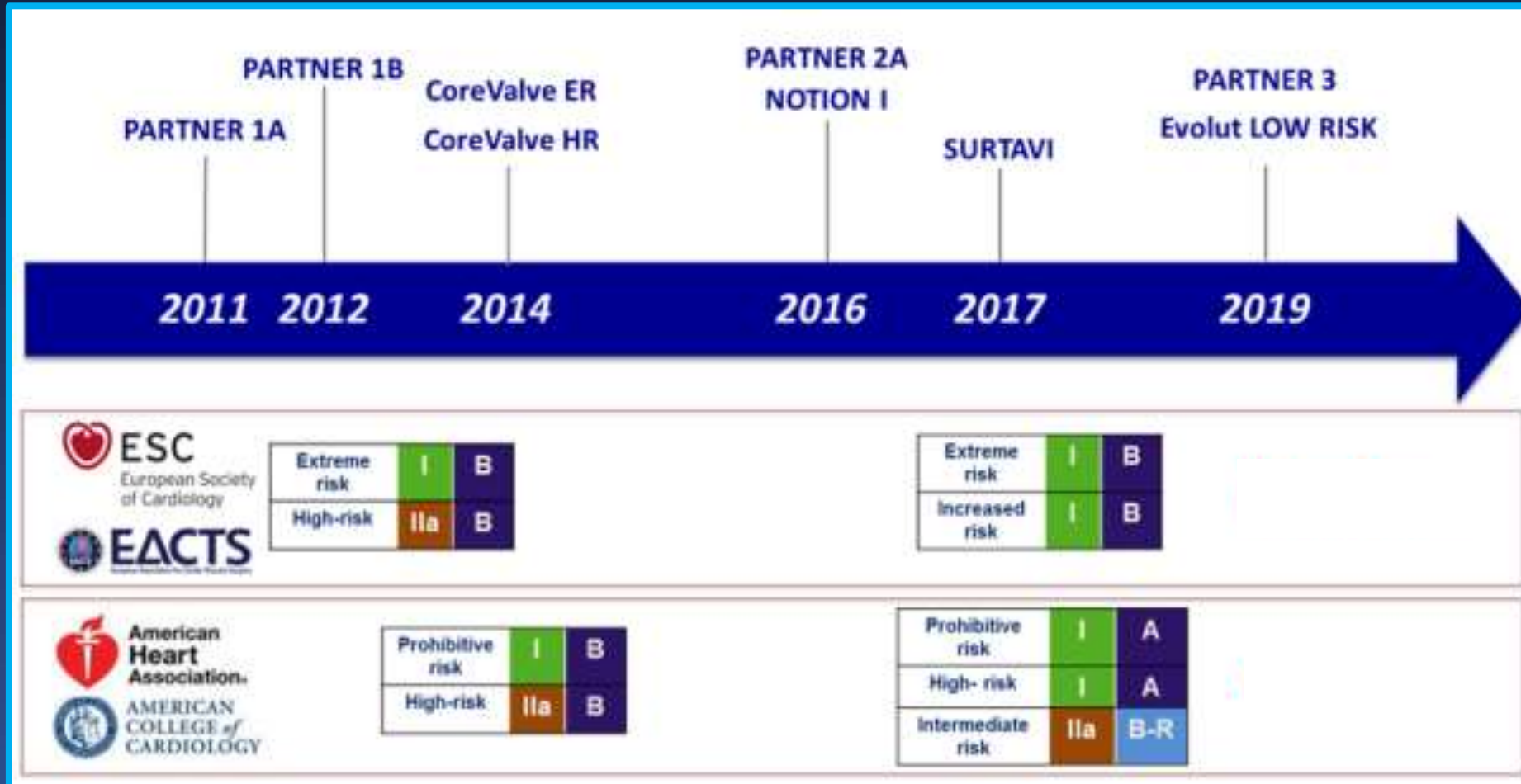


Improved TAVR Clinical Outcomes

TAVR 30-day Mortality (PARTNER trials)



TAVR Evidence and Guidelines



The Importance of Low-Risk Patients



STS Database (141,905 pts)

Contemporary Real-World Outcomes of Surgical Aortic Valve Replacement in 141,905 Low-Risk, Intermediate-Risk, and High-Risk Patients

Vinod H. Thourani, MD, Rakesh M. Suri, MD, DPhil, Rebecca L. Gunter, MD, Shubin Sheng, PhD, Sean M. O'Brien, PhD, Gorav Ailawadi, MD, Wilson Y. Szeto, MD, Todd M. Dewey, MD, Robert A. Guyton, MD, Joseph E. Bavaria, MD, Vasilis Babaliaros, MD, James S. Gammie, MD, Lars Svensson, MD, PhD, Mathew Williams, MD, Vinay Badhwar, MD, and Michael J. Mack, MD

Ann Thorac Surg 2015;99:55-61

The 'holy grail' is the 80% of aortic stenosis patients receiving surgery who are in the low-risk category!

TAVR Low-Risk RCTs

PARTNER 3 Trial

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Transcatheter Aortic-Valve Replacement with a Balloon-Expandable Valve in Low-Risk Patients

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EVOLUT Low Risk Trial

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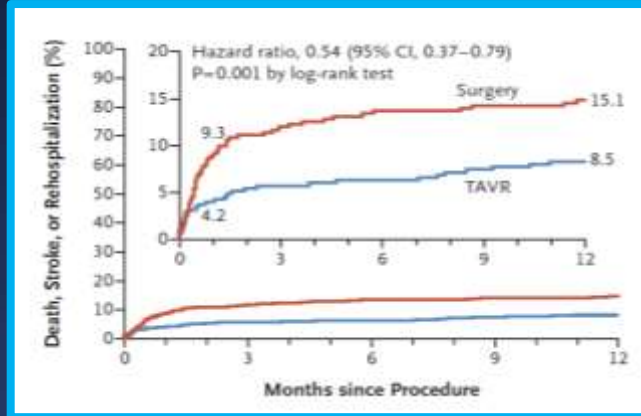


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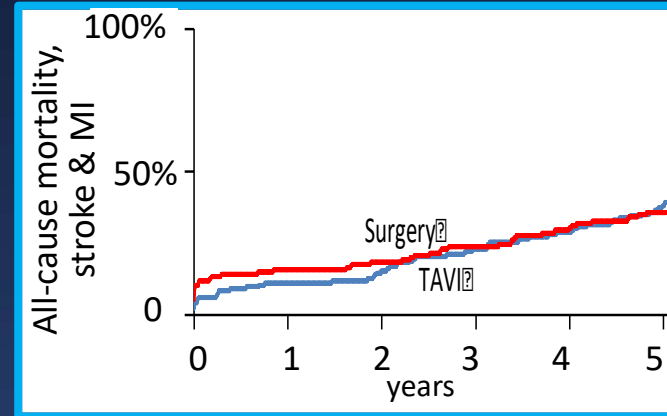
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TAVR Low-Risk Trials

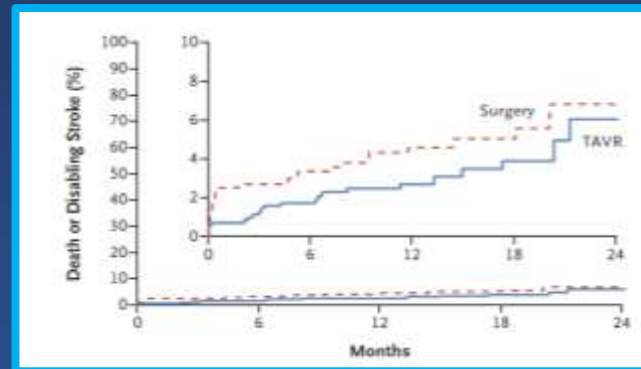
(4 RCTs - 3,661 patients)



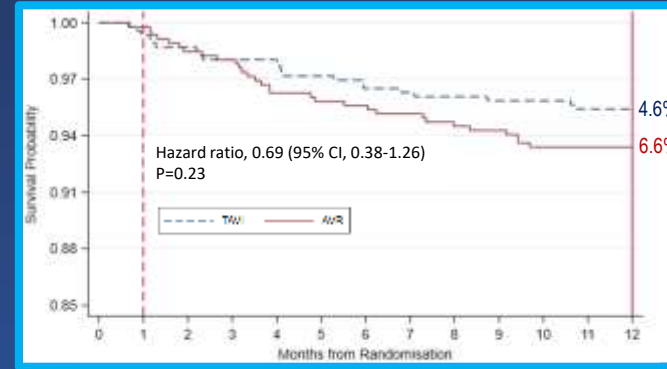
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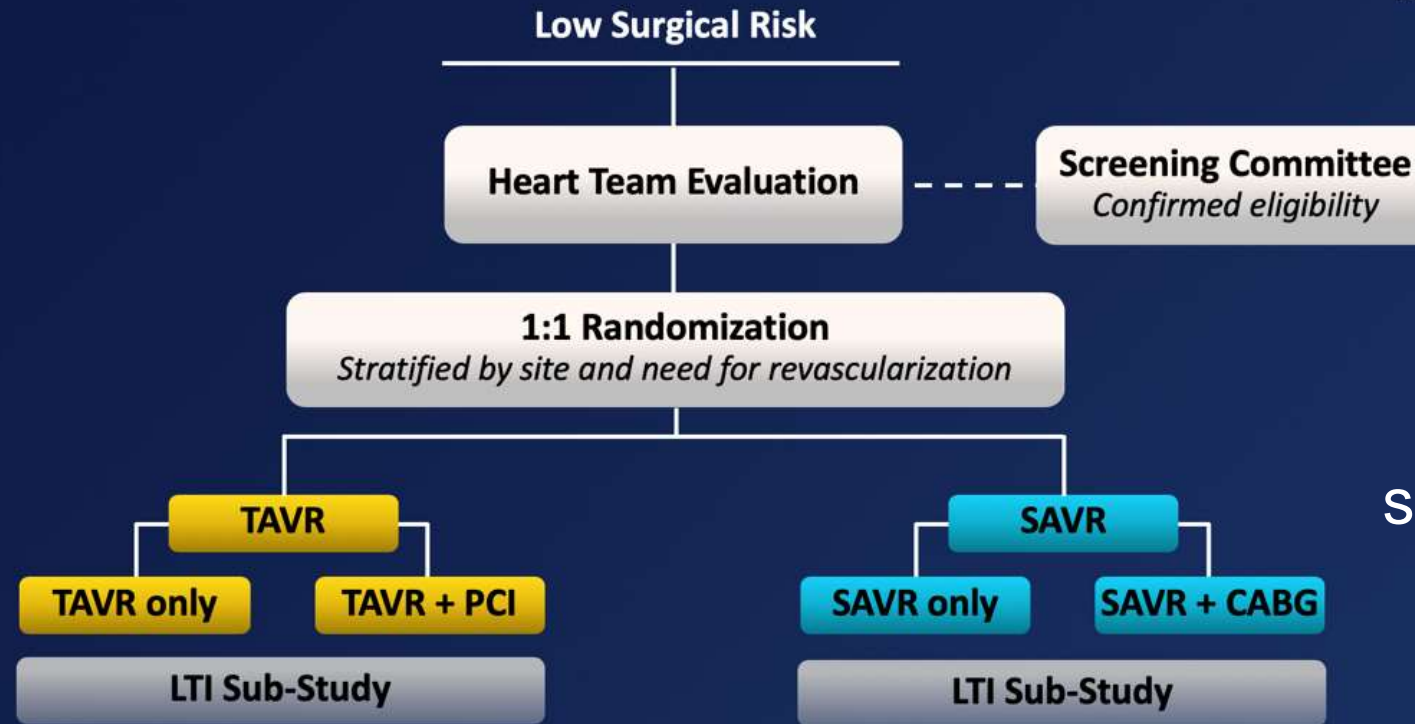


Evolut Low-Risk TAVR Trial

Study Design



Bayesian
Adaptive
Design

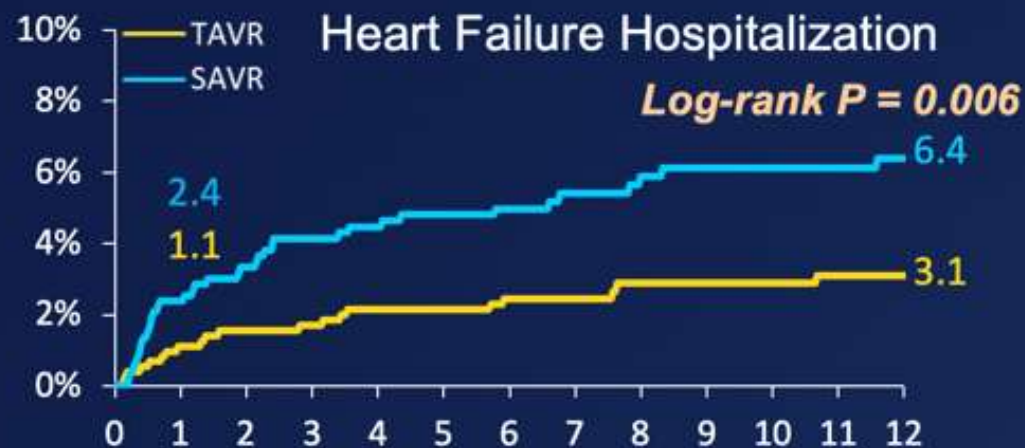
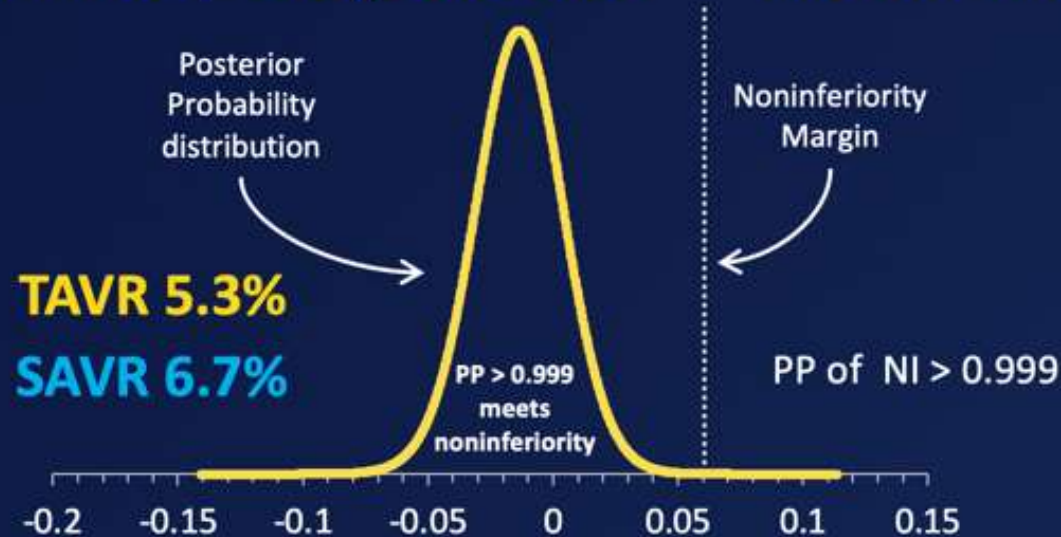


Heart Team
< 3% 30-day
surgical mortality

Primary End point: All-cause mortality of disabling stroke at 2 years

Primary Endpoint Met --- TAVR is noninferior to SAVR

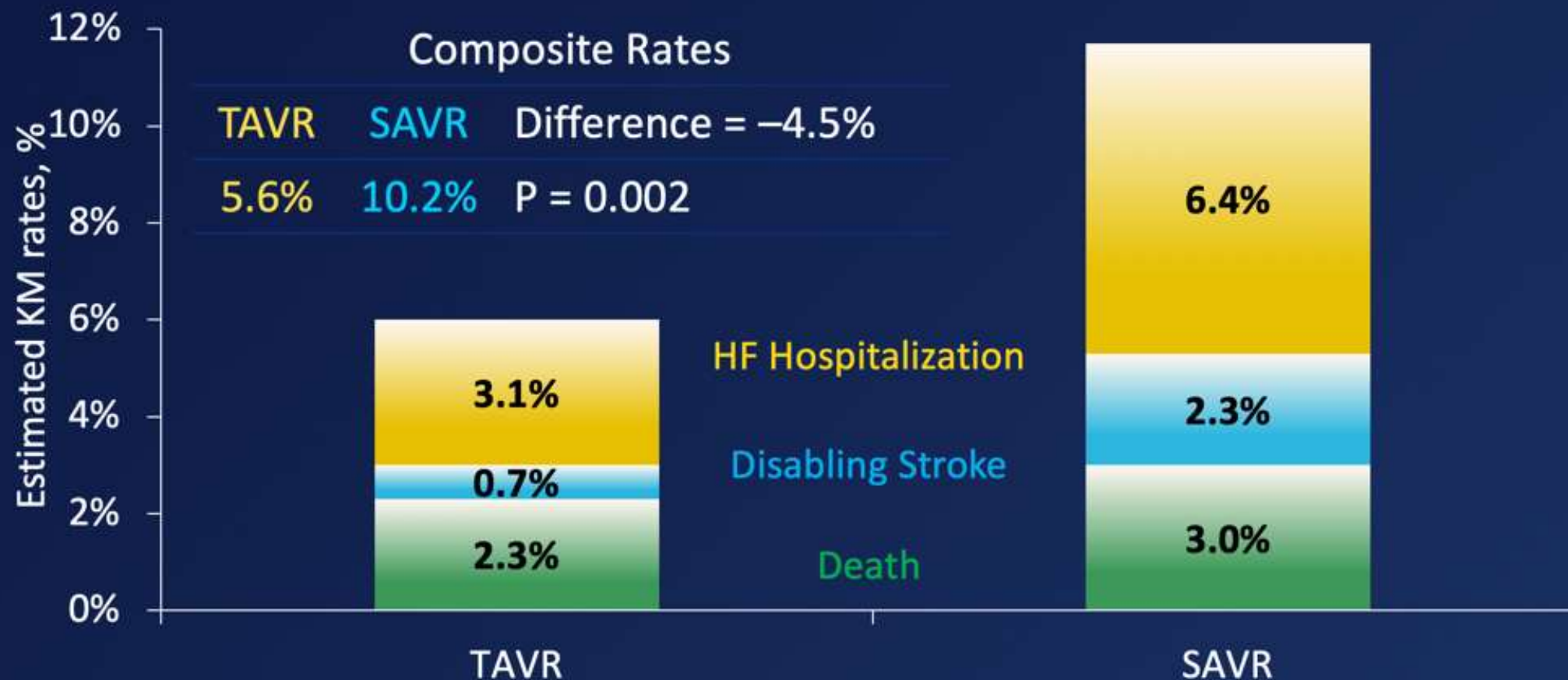
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Popma et al NEJM 2019 380:1706-1715

LR RCT: Death, Disabling Stroke, and Heart Failure Hospitalizations to 1 Year

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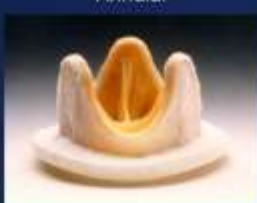
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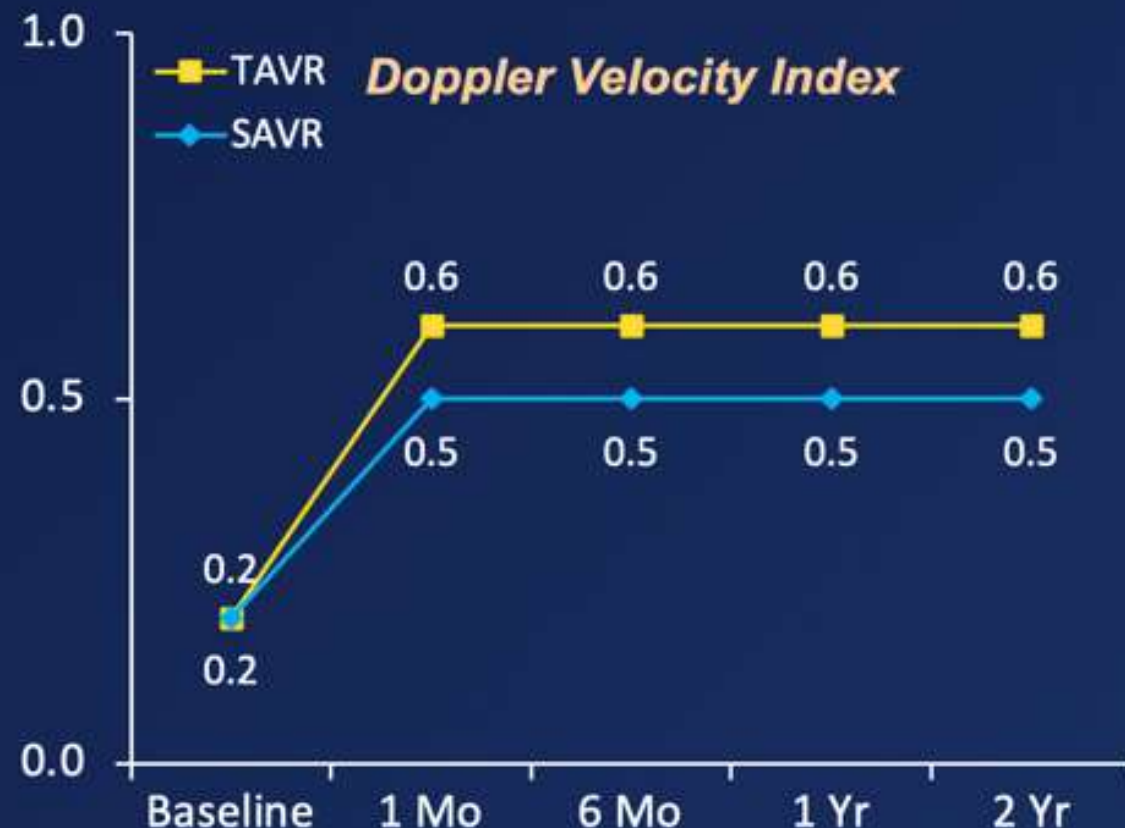
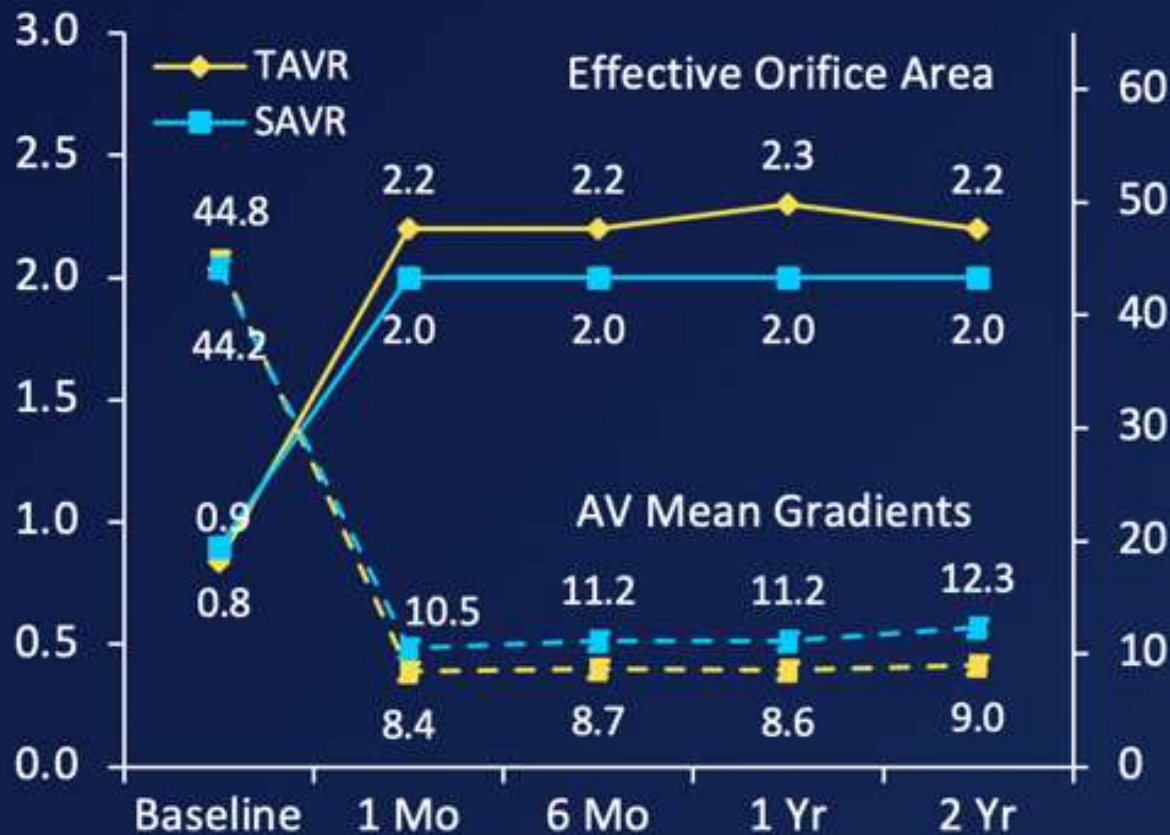


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Evolut Low-Risk TAVR Trial: Serial Echo Findings thru 2 yrs



PARTNER 3 Study Design

Symptomatic Severe Aortic Stenosis

**Low Risk/TF ASSESSMENT by Heart Team
(STS < 4%)**

**1:1 Randomization
1000 Patients**

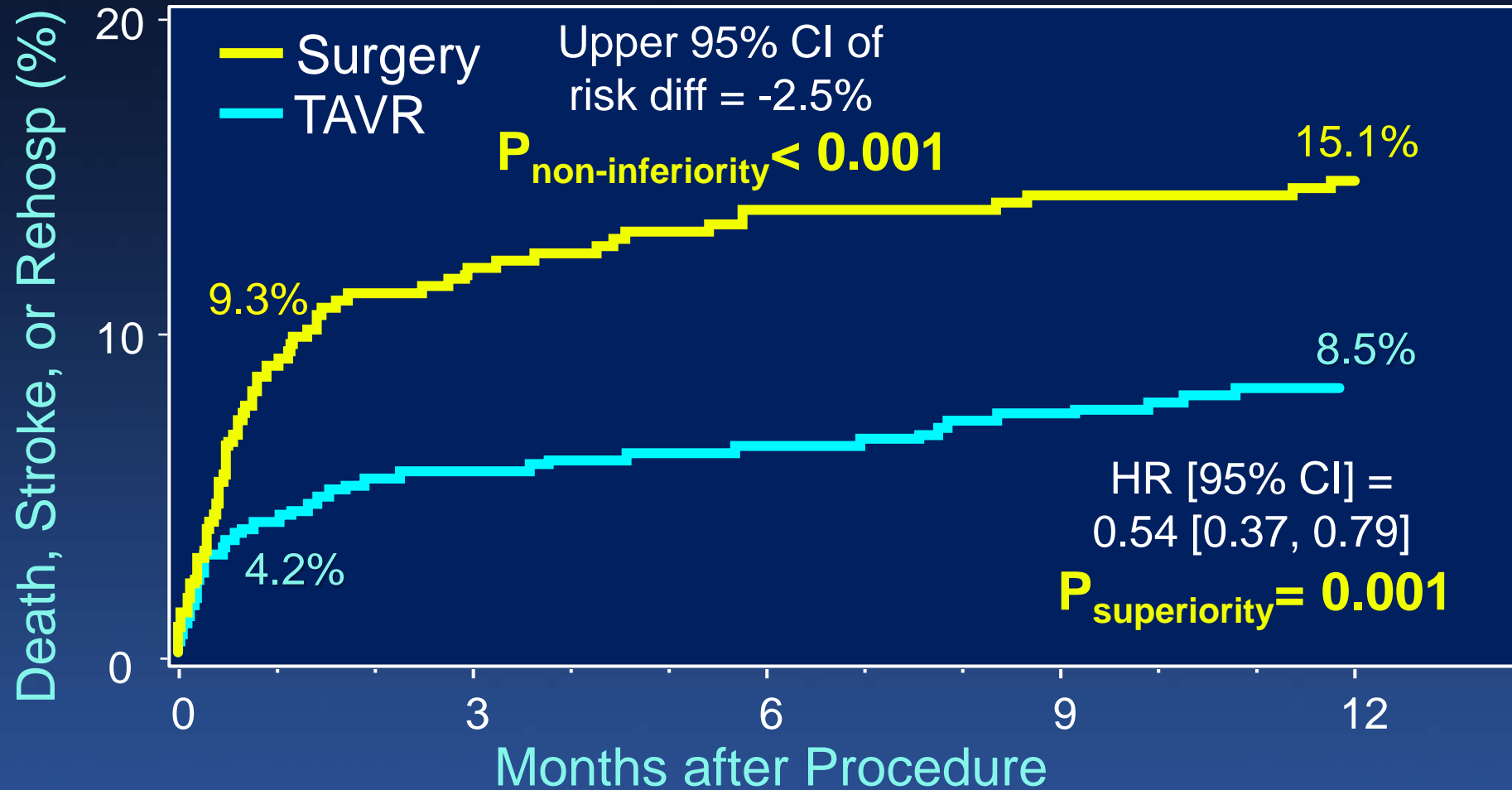
**TAVR
(SAPIEN 3 THV)**

**Surgery
(Surgical Bioprosthetic Valve)**

Follow-up: 30 days, 6 mos, and annually through 10 years

PRIMARY ENDPOINT:
**Composite of all-cause mortality, stroke, or CV re-hospitalization
at 1 year post-procedure**

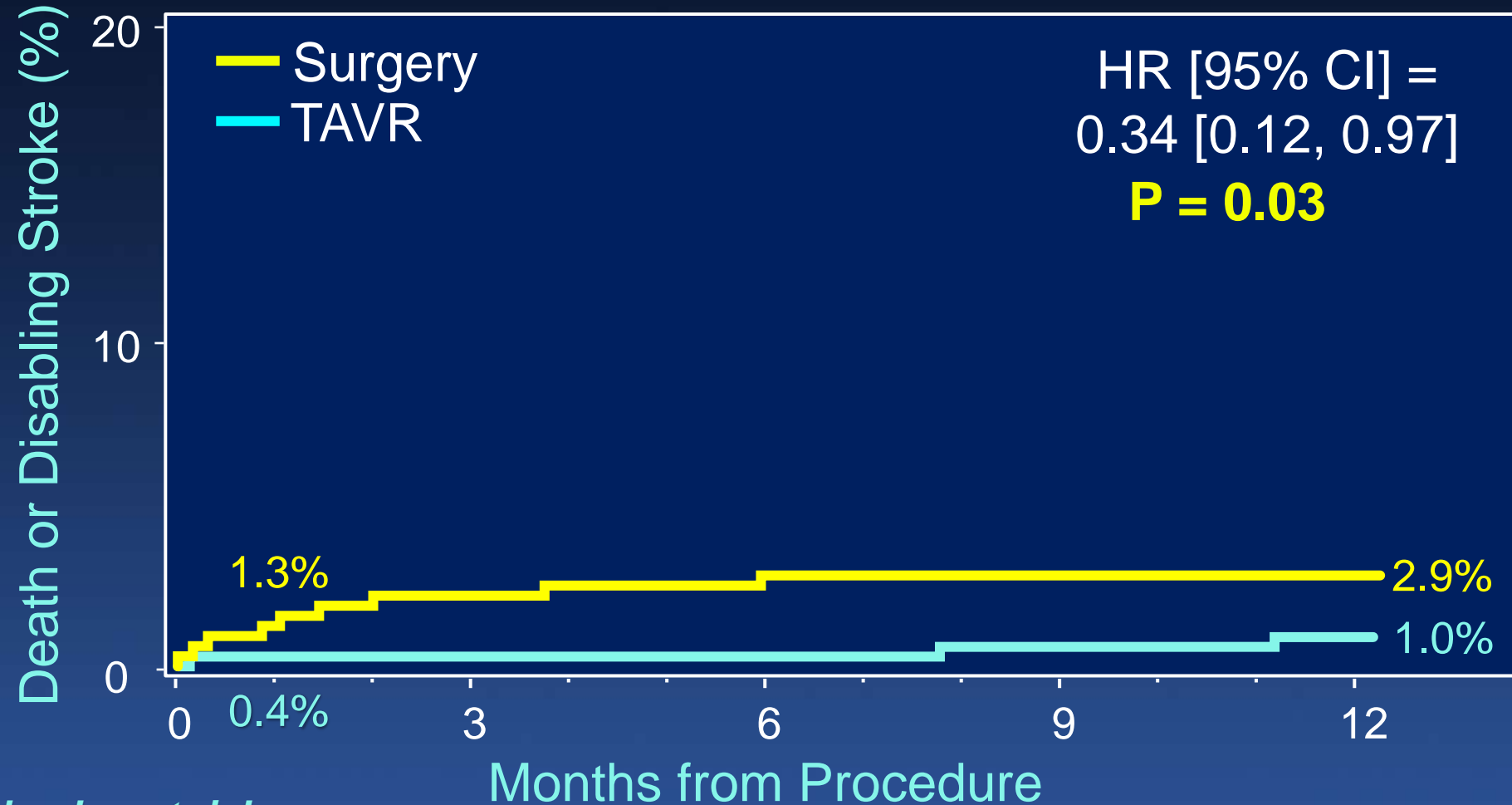
Primary Endpoint



Number at risk:

Surgery	454	408	390	381	377	374
TAVR	496	475	467	462	456	451

Death or Disabling Stroke



Number at risk:

Surgery	454	444	436	432	430	426
TAVR	496	494	494	493	491	488

The Low-Risk Patient TAVR Journey

Clinical Care Pathway

- Same-day admission
- 3/4 pts no general anesthesia (sedated, awake)
- Femoral artery puncture, no chest wall incision or CPB
- < 1 hour procedure
- 3/4 pts no ICU – Tx to floor
- Discharge in 1-2 days; 96% pts to home or self-care

Clinical Outcomes

- Rare procedural complications
- @ 30 days: mortality 0.4% and zero serious strokes!
- Less pain, bleeding, AKI and post-procedure arrhythmias
- Improved early recovery – QoL and increased activities
- @ 1 year: mortality 1% and serious strokes 0.2%

The Low-Risk TAVR Trials

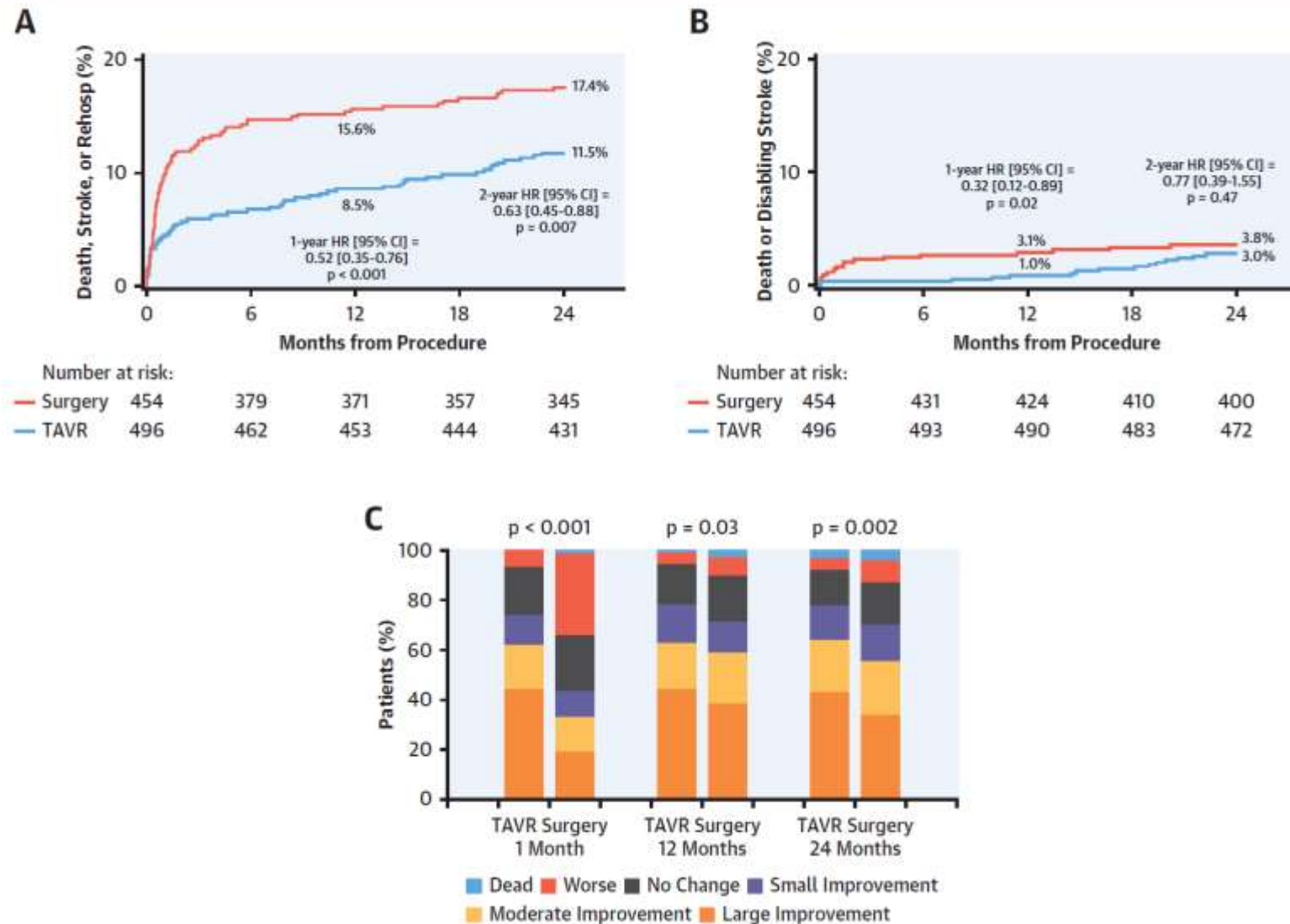
An AS Treatment Paradigm Shift



“This is an historic moment, and all of us here should remember it as such.”

Eugene Braunwald, ACC 2019

CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION Time-to-Event Curves and Disease-Specific Health Status in TAVR Versus Surgery Through 2 Years



After the Low-Risk Trials

An AS Treatment Paradigm Shift

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TAVR Low-Risk Trials

(4 RCTs - 3,661 patients)

Who's in?

- High-flow severe AS
- Low-risk patients (av STS \approx 2)
- Transfemoral only
- Mean age 74 years
 - <25% aged <70 years
- Predominantly male

Who's out?

- Low-flow severe AS
- Bicuspid morphology
- Some small/large annulus patients
- Multivalve disease
- Severe CAD, CKD and low EF
- “High-risk” TAVR anatomy

After the Low-Risk Trials

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- CAVEAT: many patients (~30%) were excluded from the low-risk RCTs
- *There will be a shift from a surgery-first to a TAVR-first strategy for most AS patients. The Heart Team will weigh clinical and anatomic characteristics to identify the best treatment option for individual patients with transfemoral TAVR replacing surgery as the default therapy in most cases!*

After the Low-Risk Trials

An AS Treatment Paradigm Shift



Who does **only TAVR?**
Who does **only surgery?**

2020 ACC/AHA Guidelines for VHD

CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINE: FULL TEXT

2020 ACC/AHA Guideline for the Management of Patients With Valvular Heart Disease

A Report of the American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association Joint Committee on Clinical Practice Guidelines

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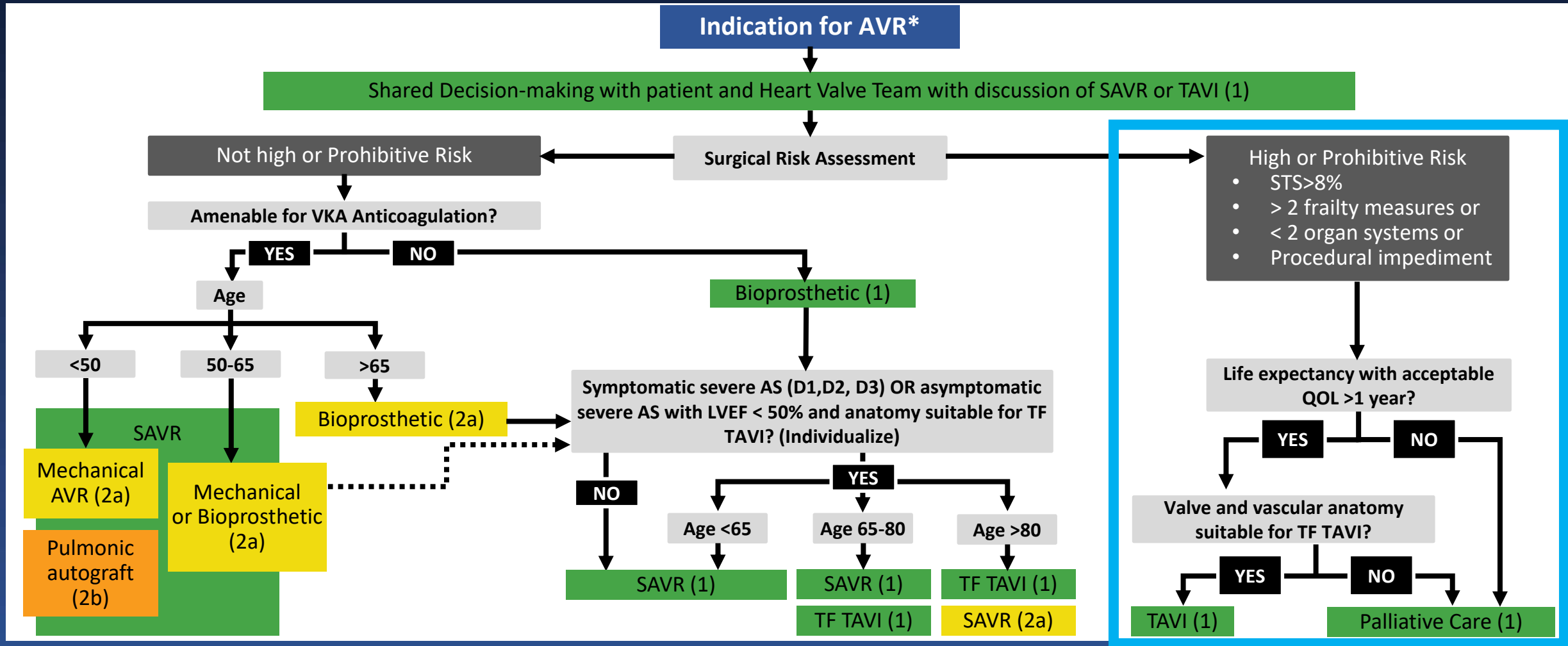
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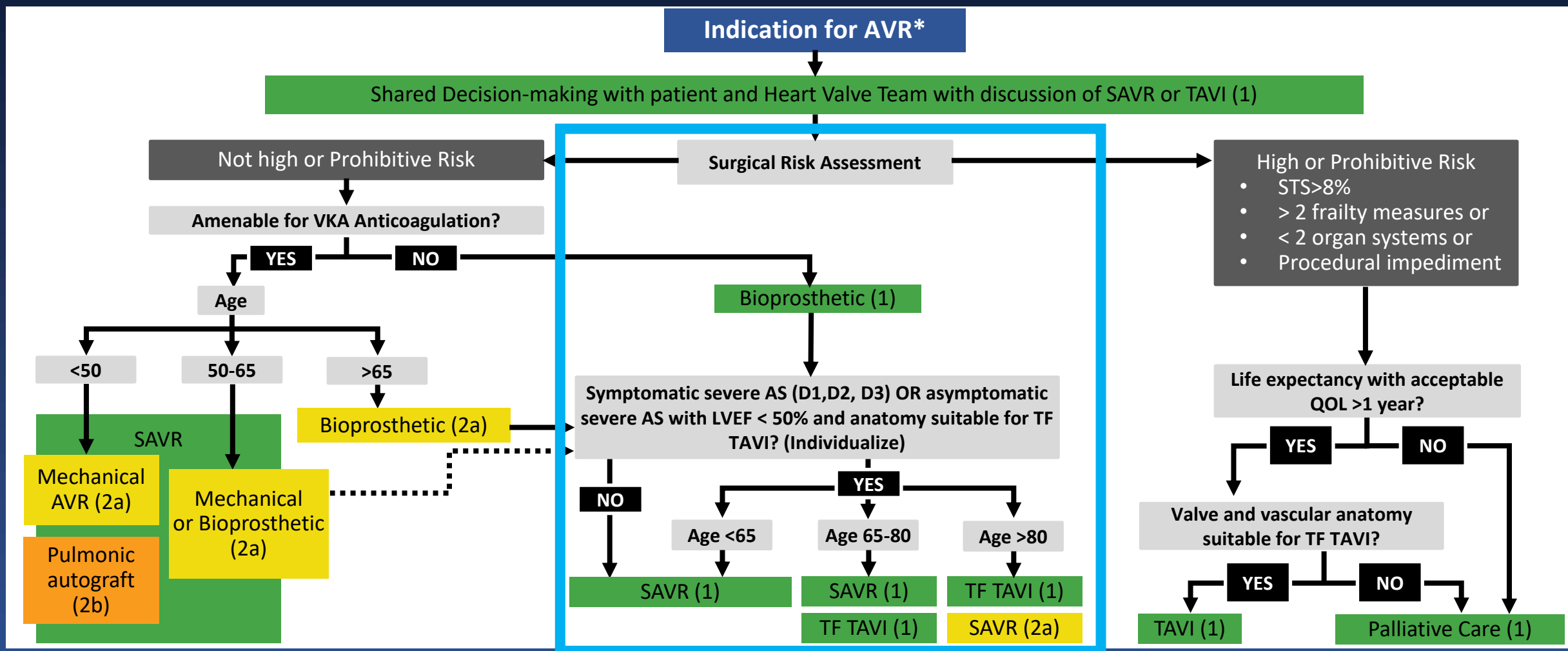
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Absolute Effect Estimates per 1000 Patients for Outcomes Comparing TF-TAVI to SAVR

Age Group	> 85 yrs		75-85 yrs		65-75 yrs		< 65 yrs	
Outcomes (RR < 1 favors TAVI)	SAVR	TAVI	SAVR	TAVI	SAVR	TAVI	SAVR	TAVI
Mortality (2 yrs) RR 3.25 (CI 95% 1.29 - 8.14)	242	197	152	122	92	73	72	57
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Permanent pacer RR 2.46 (CI 95% 1.17 - 5.15)	92	226	92	226	92	226	92	226
Life threatening bleeding 0.39 (CI 95% 0.29 - 0.54)	413	161	413	166	413	161	413	161
Atrial fibrillation RR 0.43 (CI 95% 0.35 - 0.52)	312	134	312	134	312	134	100	43
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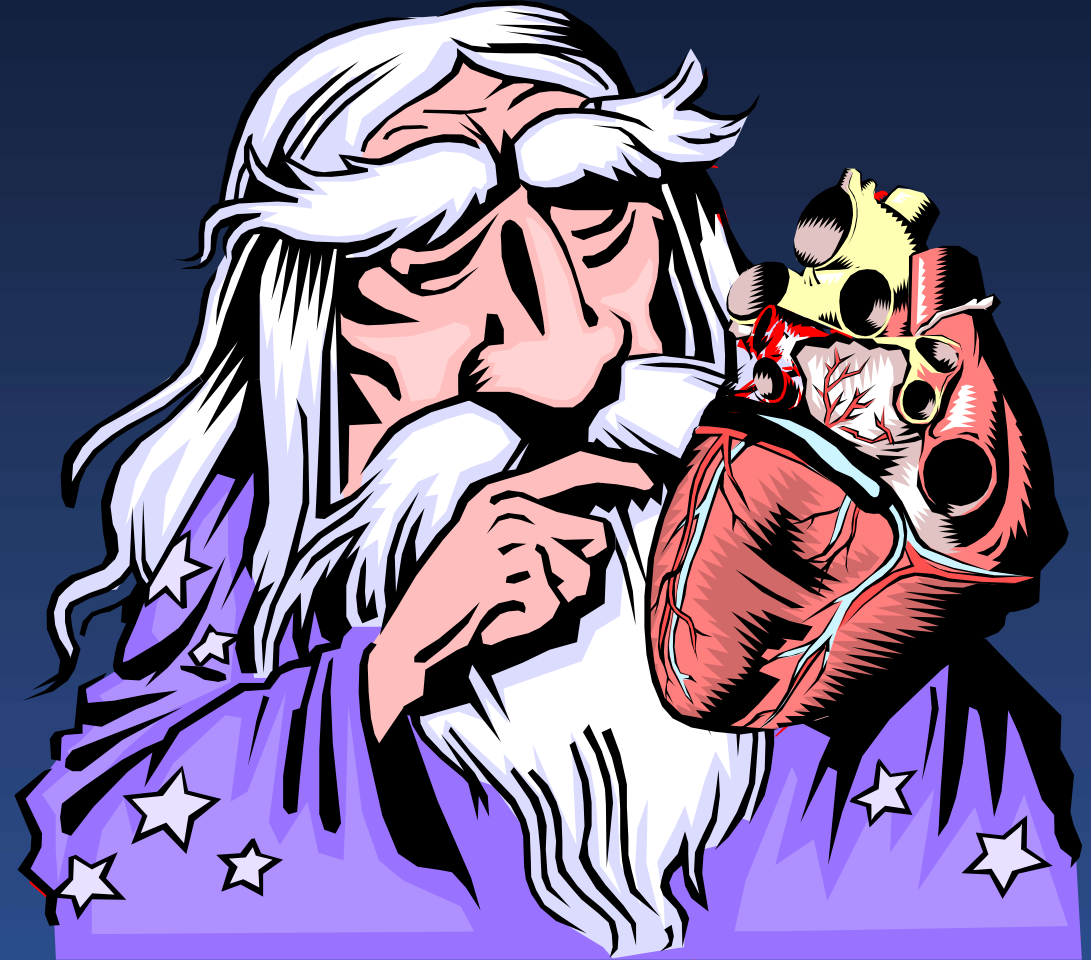
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TAVR – Future Directions

*What the future
will bring...*



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Still MANY Knowledge Gaps

- *Use of cerebral embolic protection to reduce strokes – systematic or selective use*

TAVR Accessory Devices

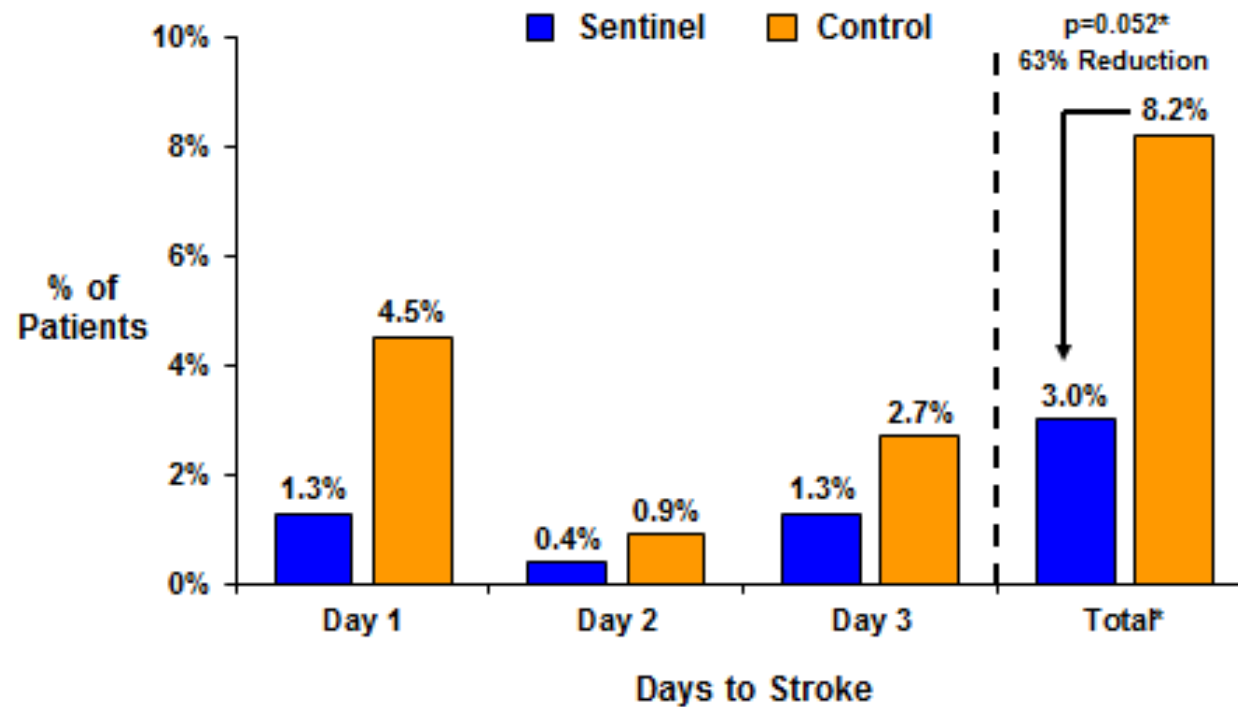
Cerebral Embolic Protection (CEP)



SENTINEL CEP Randomized Trial

Clinical Outcomes

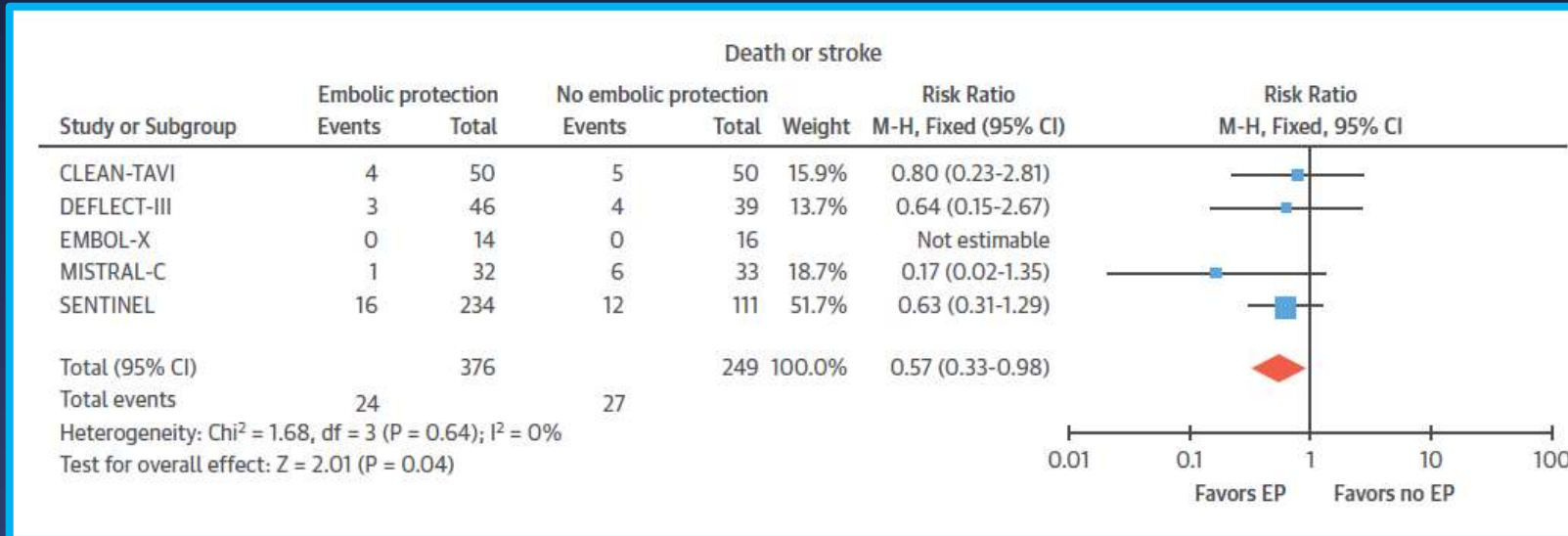
Stroke Diagnosis ≤ 72 hours (ITT)



*Fisher Exact Test

CEP Meta-analysis

Five Studies (n = 625 patients)



- Meta-analysis of 5 RCTS of CEP in TAVR (625 pts; 376 with CEP and 249 without CEP)
- > 40% reduction in risk of stroke or death (6.4% vs 10.8%; RR: 0.57; 95% CI: 0.33-0.98; $p=0.04$; $I^2 = 0\%$)
- ***NNT = 22 to reduce one stroke or death***

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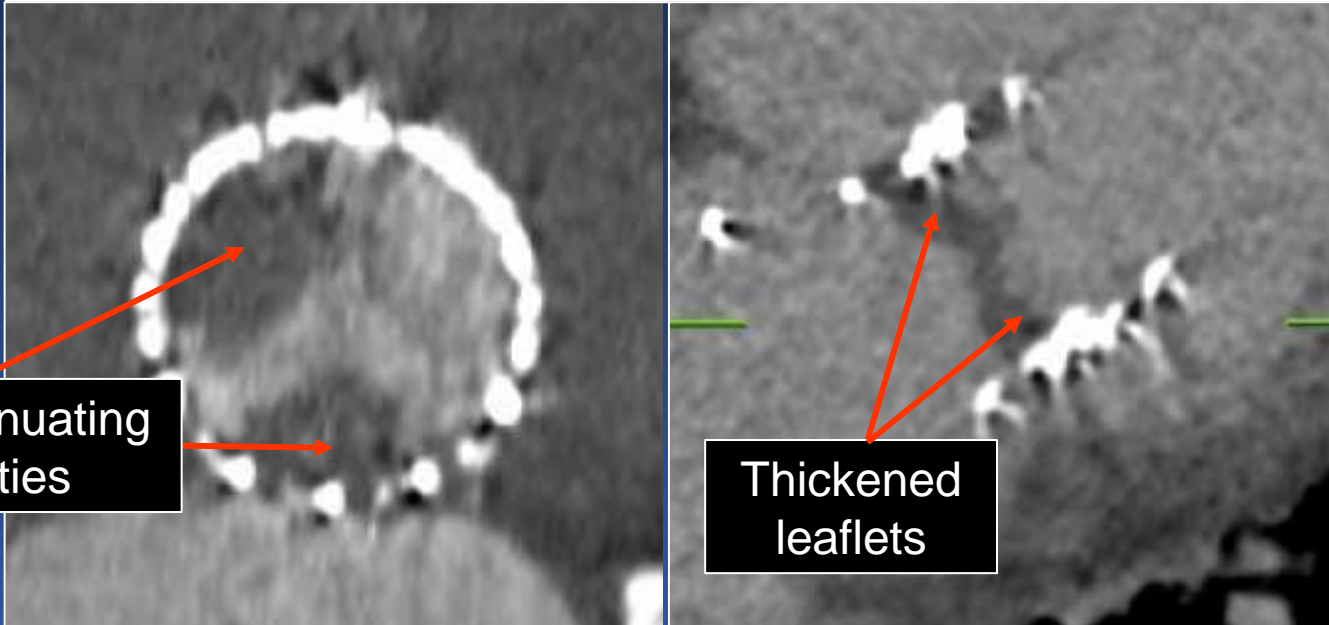
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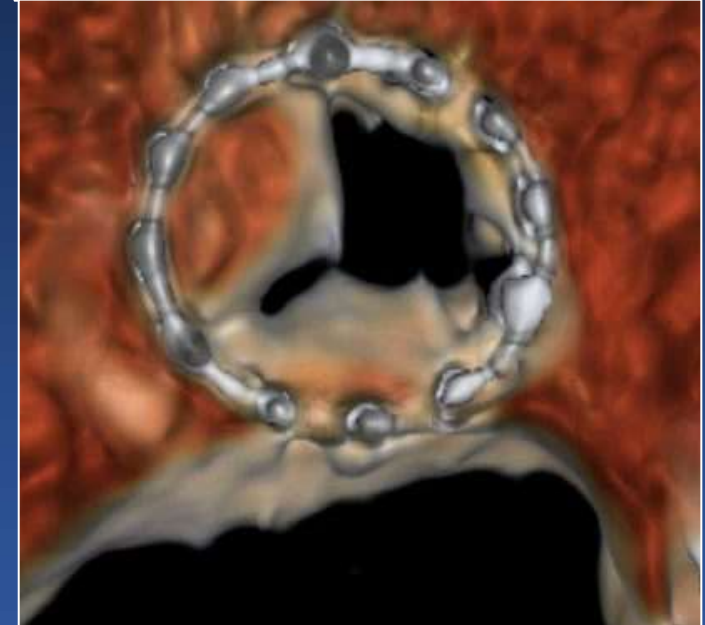
Background

Subclinical Leaflet Thrombosis characterized by hypoattenuated leaflet thickening (HALT) and reduced leaflet motion has been frequently observed in transcatheter and surgical aortic bioprosthetic valves.

Hypoattenuating leaflet thickening (HALT)

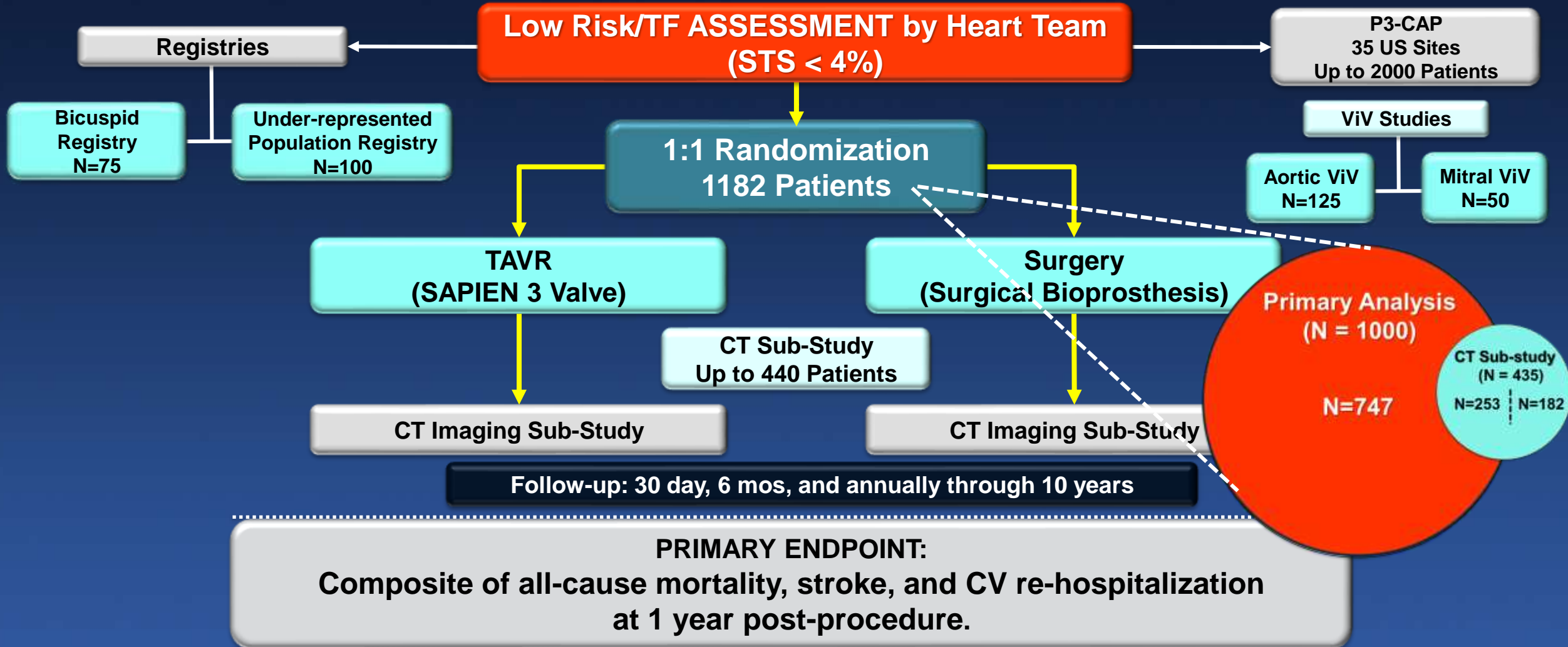


Reduced leaflet motion



PARTNER 3 Trial Study Design

Symptomatic Severe Aortic Stenosis



Incidence of HALT at 30 Days and 1 Year

TAVR vs SAVR

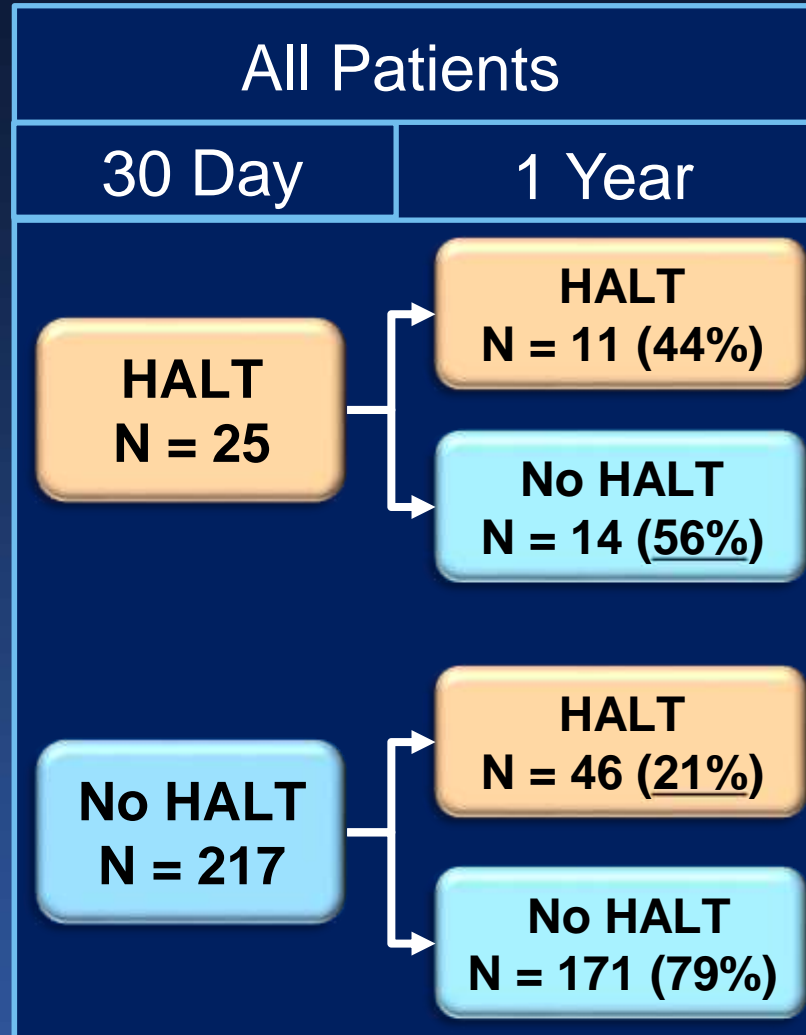
Per Protocol Population

Outcomes (%)	30 Days			1 Year		
	TAVR (N=165)	Surgery (N=119)	P-value	TAVR (N=153)	Surgery (N=109)	P-value
HALT	13.3	5.0	0.03	27.5	20.2	0.19
1 Leaflet	81.8	66.7		64.3	68.2	
2 Leaflets	9.1	33.3		23.8	31.8	
3 Leaflets	9.1	0		11.9	0	

Event rates are binary and p-value is based on Fisher's Exact test

HALT from 30D to 1Y

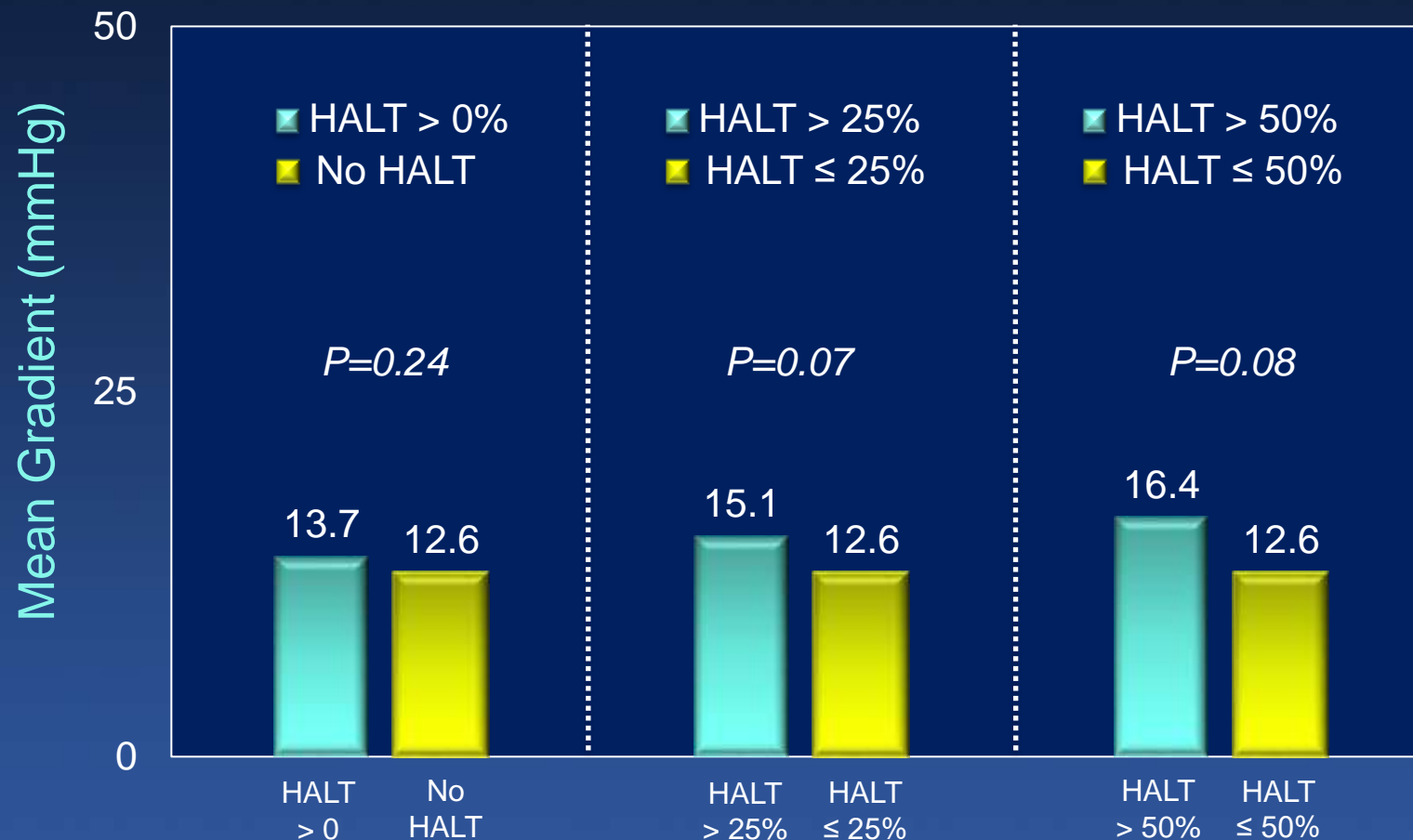
Per Protocol Population



0/14
received
anticoagulation

Mean Aortic Valve Gradient and Severity of HALT at 1 year

All Patients with Evaluable CTs – TAVR & SAVR



P-values are based on t-test

30-day HALT and Clinical Events

All Patients with Evaluable CTs – TAVR & SAVR

Clinical Events (n)	Day 7-30		Day 31-365	
	HALT at 30 Days (N=35)	No HALT at 30 Days (N=311)	HALT at 30 Days (N=35)	No HALT at 30 Days (N=311)
Death	0	0	0	4
Heart Failure	0	1	1	6
Angina	0	0	0	9
Myocardial Infarction	0	0	0	3
Clinical Valve Thrombosis*	0	0	3	1
Stroke	1	0	0	1
TIA	0	1	1	2
Retinal Artery Embolism	0	0	1	1

*Defined according to VARC2 definition

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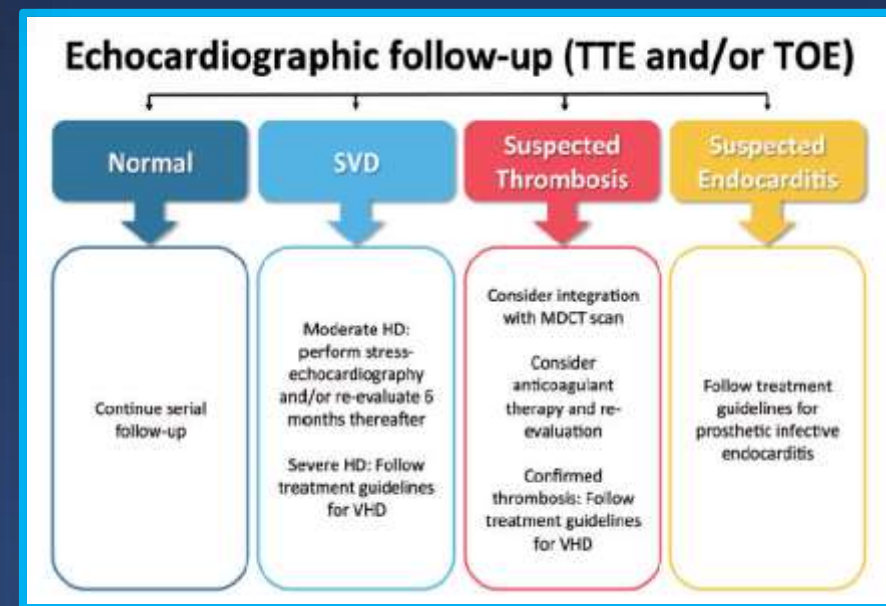
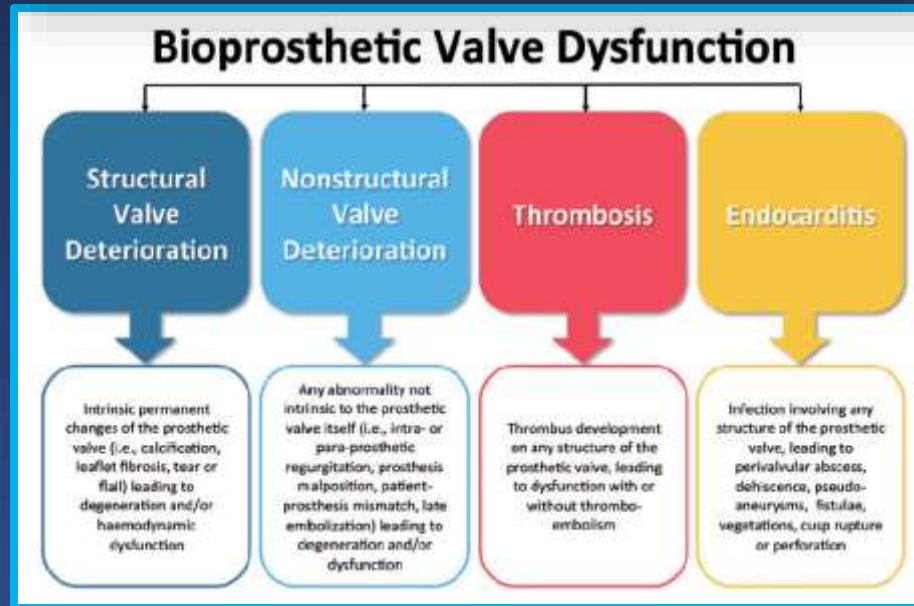
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- ***Bioprosthetic valve durability (SVD and BVF) – new definitions***

Standardized definitions of structural deterioration and valve failure in assessing long-term durability of transcatheter and surgical aortic bioprosthetic valves: a consensus statement from the European Association of Percutaneous Cardiovascular Interventions (EAPCI) endorsed by the European Society of Cardiology (ESC) and the European Association for Cardio-Thoracic Surgery (EACTS)

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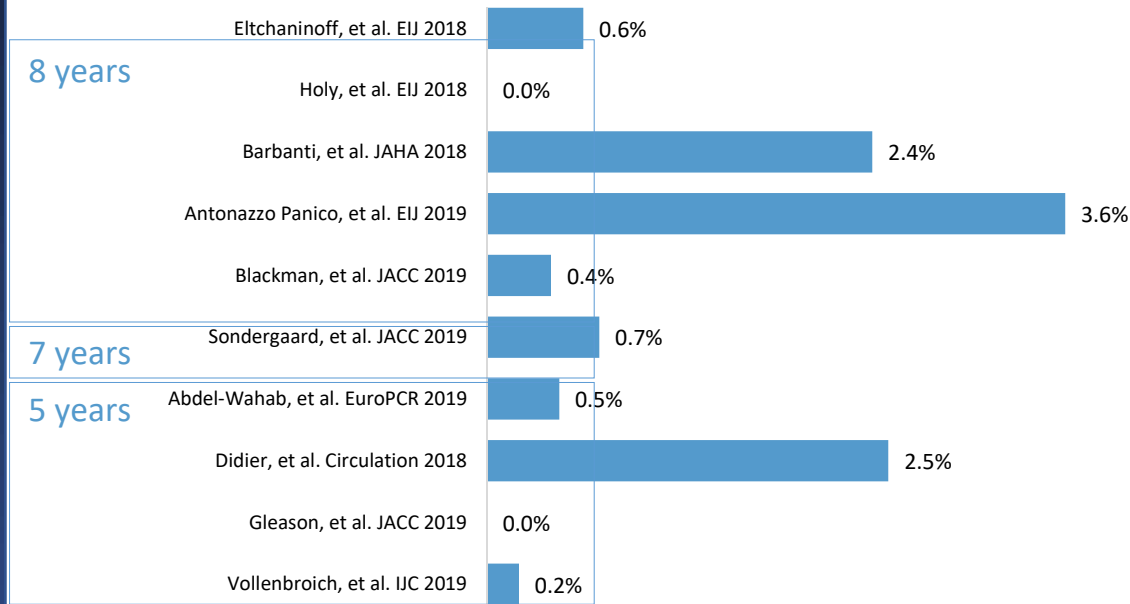
New EU guidance with standardized definitions and endpoints to assess bioprosthetic aortic valve deterioration and failure



Long-term Durability of TAVR

ESC/EACTS definitions

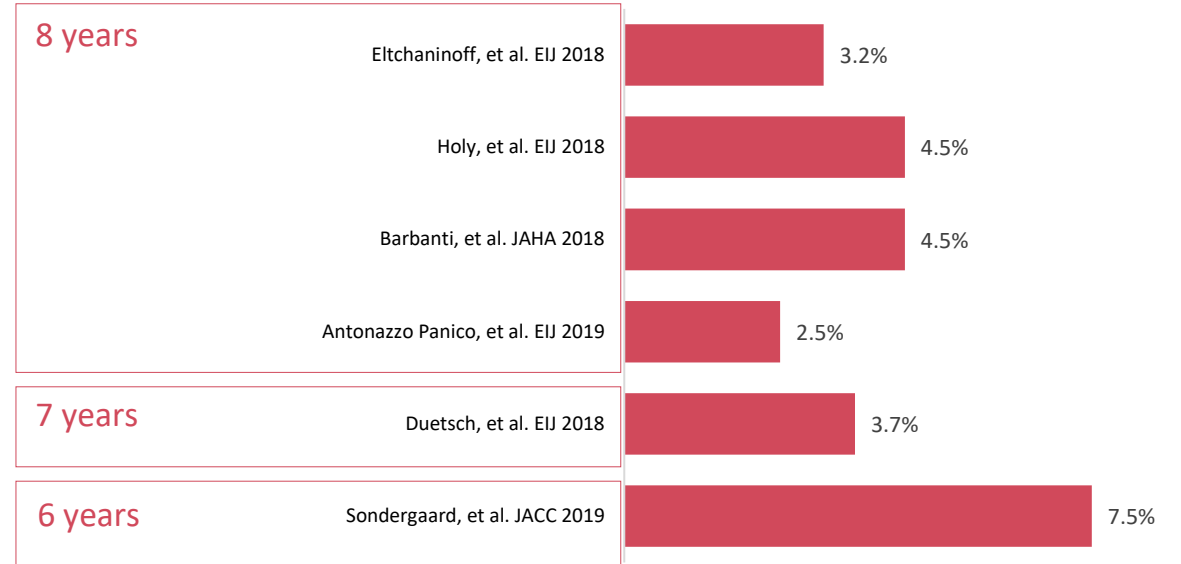
Severe SVD



SVD at 5 to 8 years
Weighted incidence

1.3%
(95% CI 0.7-1.9)

Bioprosthetic valve failure (BVF)



BVF at 6 to 8 years
Weighted incidence

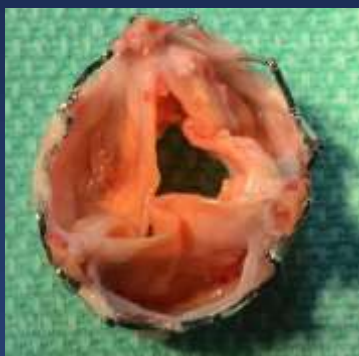
3.7%
(95% CI 2.7-4.6)

TAVR – Future Directions

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- ***Safety and durability of TAV-in-TAV procedures and safety of failed TAVR surgical explantation***

All TAVR systems will certainly demonstrate evidence of valve degeneration during long-term (> 5 years) assessments. Is TAV-in-TAV a viable option?



Surgically explanted Sapien and CorveValve THVs

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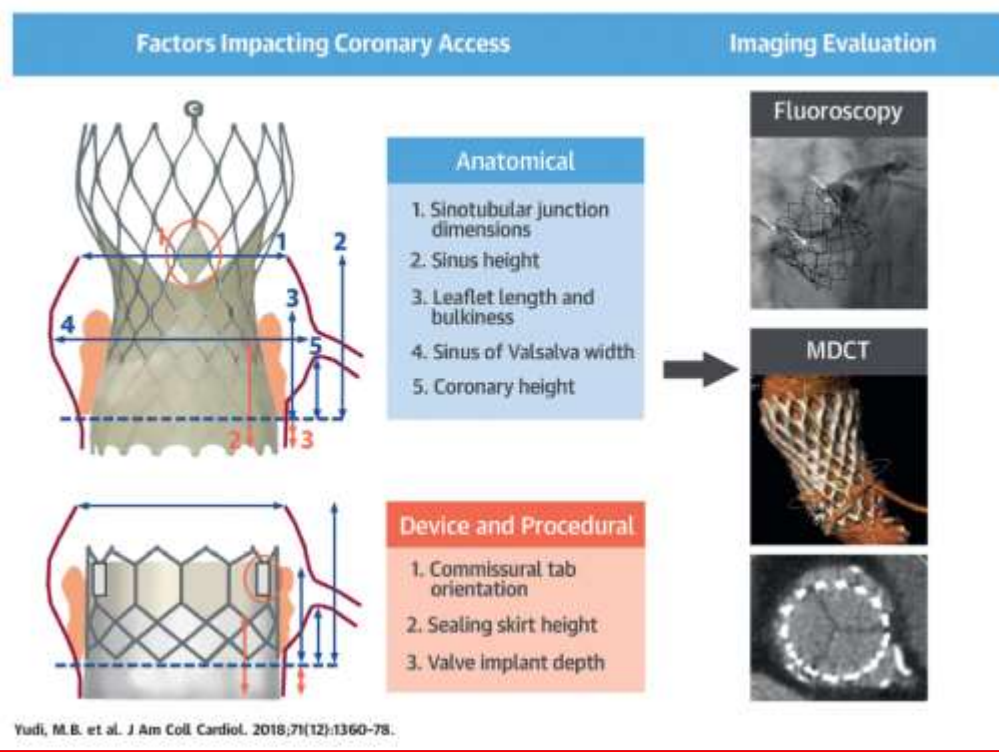
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Coronary Angiography and Percutaneous Coronary Intervention After Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement



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CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION Coronary Reaccess After TAVR



Esp. relevant in patients with known CAD, in young low-risk patients with probable future 'valve-in' procedures, and during ACS events

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Results (PARTNER 1 and 2)

30 Day to Two-Year Clinical Outcomes



Endpoint	LBBB (n = 215)	PPM (n = 315)	No PPM or LBBB (n = 2460)	P-value LBBB vs. None	P-value PPM vs. None	P-value PPM vs. LBBB
Death (all-cause)	24.0	18.0	16.0	0.003	0.32	0.12
CV Death	16.9	11.8	9.0	0.003	0.08	0.29
Rehospitalization	19.5	13.6	12.3	0.006	0.38	0.17
Death/Rehospitalization	34.4	28.6	24.9	0.003	0.08	0.16
LVEF	51.7	54.8	58.5	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.003

Event rates are Kaplan-Meier estimates landmarked at 30 days.

LVEF values reported are least-squares means from a linear mixed effects model

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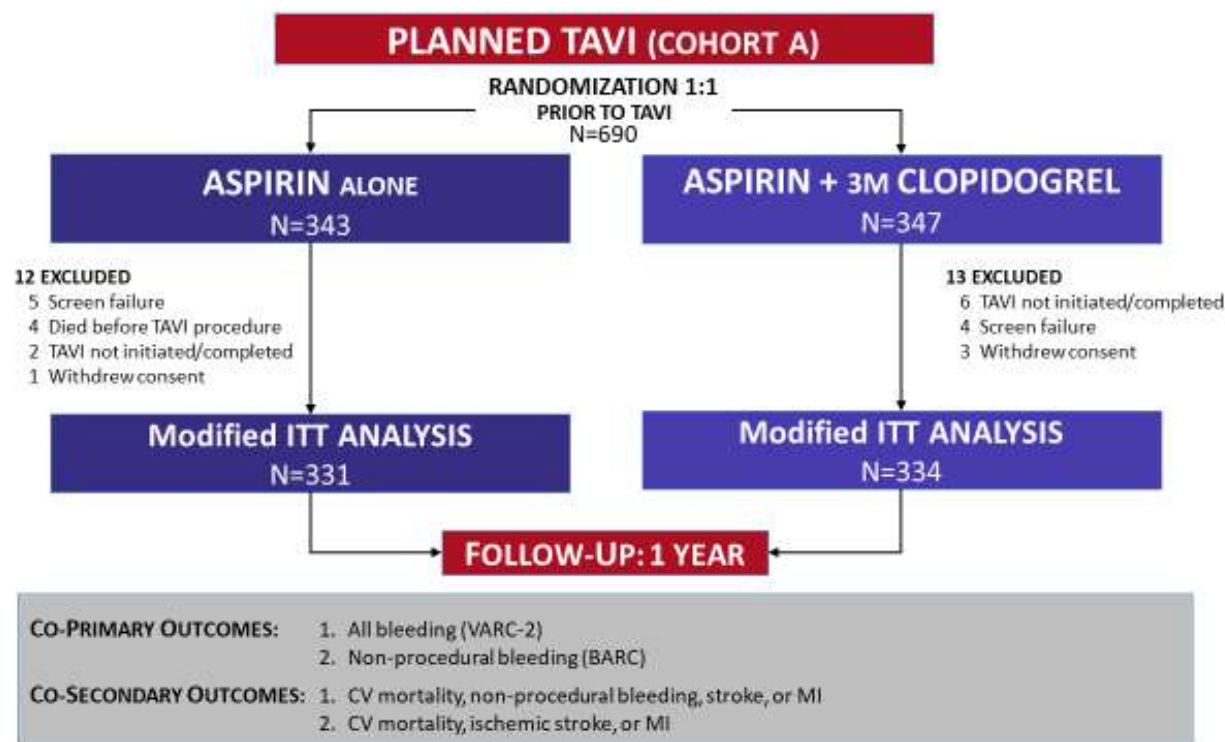
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The POPULAR TAVI Trial

SAPT vs. DAPT



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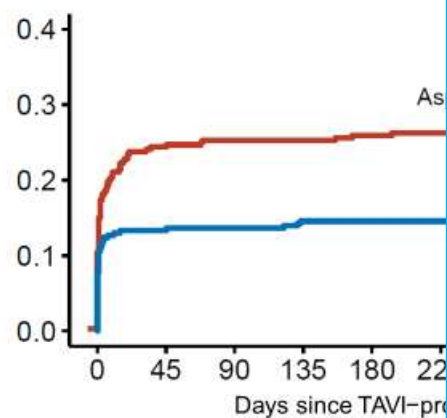
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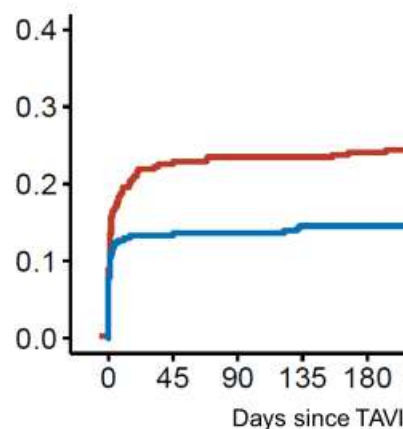
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All Bleeding



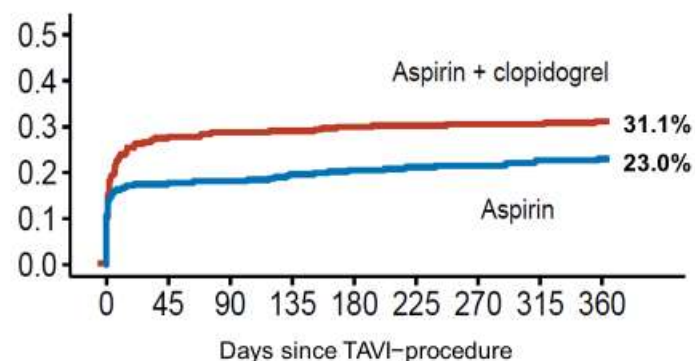
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Non-Procedural Bleeding



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CV Mortality, Non-Procedural Bleeding, Stroke, MI



RR 0.74
95% CI 0.57 to 0.95
-8.2% (-14.9 to -1.5)
Non-inferiority margin +7.5%
P = <0.001 (noninferiority)
P = 0.04 (superiority)

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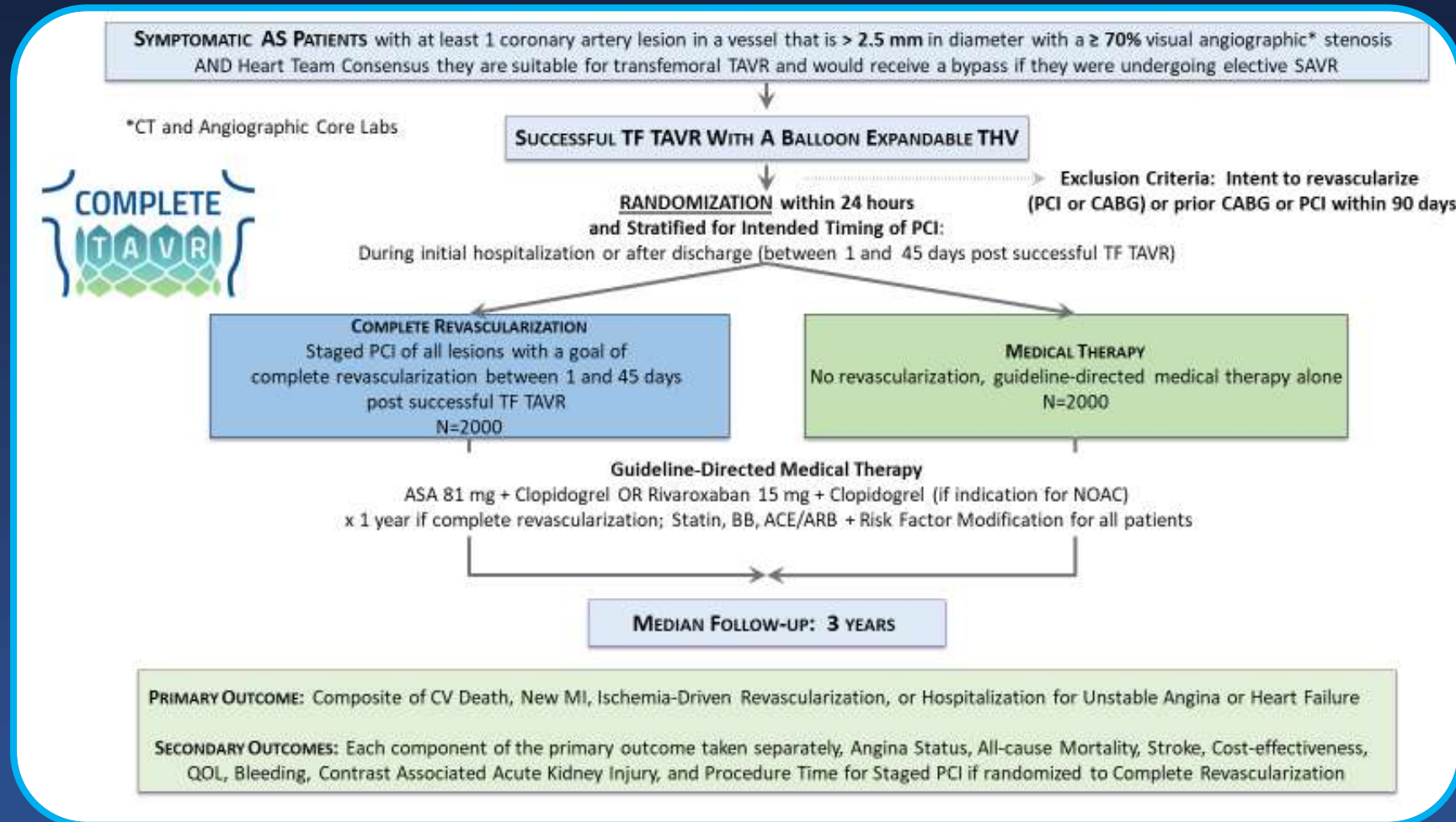
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AS and CAD

COMPLETE-TAVR

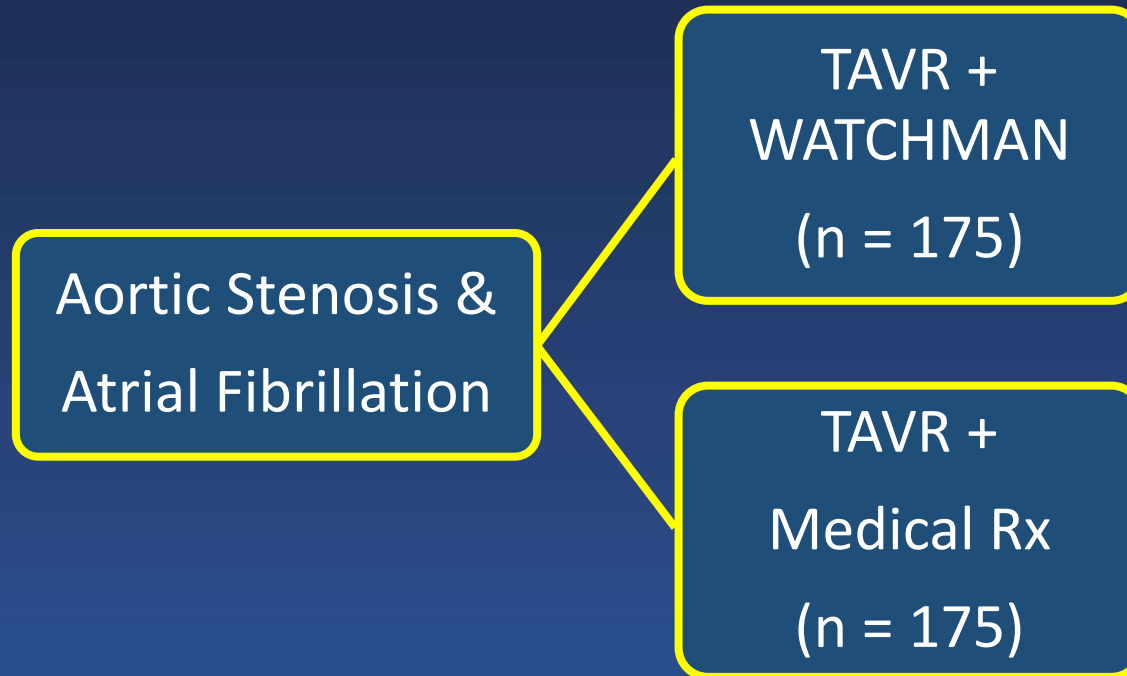


AS and Atrial Fibrillation

Watch-TAVR

National PIs: Samir Kapadia & Martin Leon

Grant support: Boston Scientific



1° Outcome:

- Death, stroke, bleeding @ 1 year

2° Outcome:

- Components of primary
- Any thromboembolism
- Cardiovascular death
- Re-hospitalization
- QoL (KCCQ-12)
- Procedural costs

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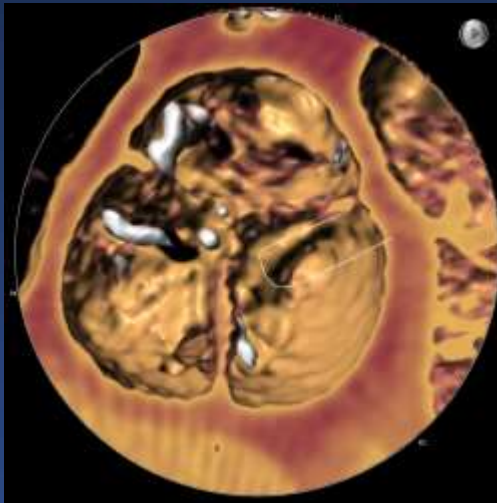
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Bicuspid Aortic Valve Classification

CTA System

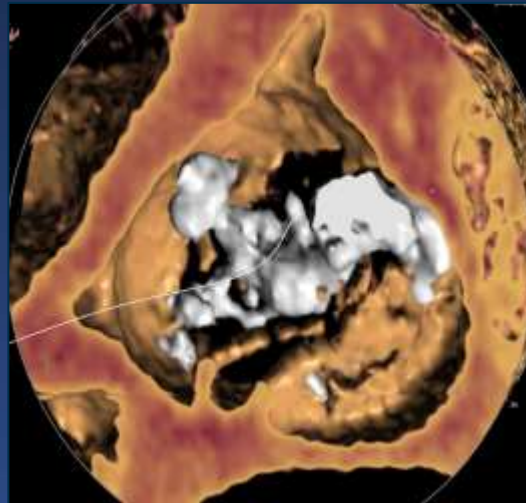
(from 14 centers in North America, Europe and Asia)

Tricommissural



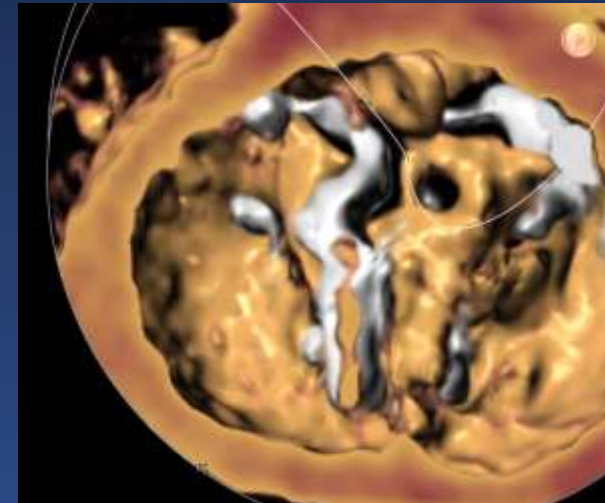
3 commissures
V-like orifice
“functional or acquired”

Bicommissural Raphe-type



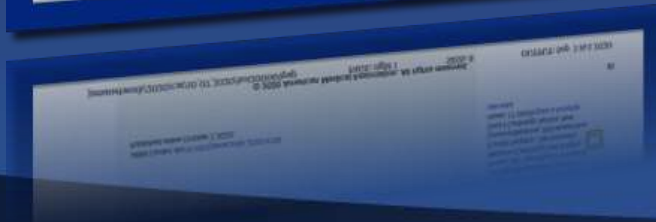
2 commissures, 1 raphe
Slit-like orifice

Bicommissural Non Raphe-type



2 commissures, no raphe
Slit-like orifice

Evolut LR BAV Registry

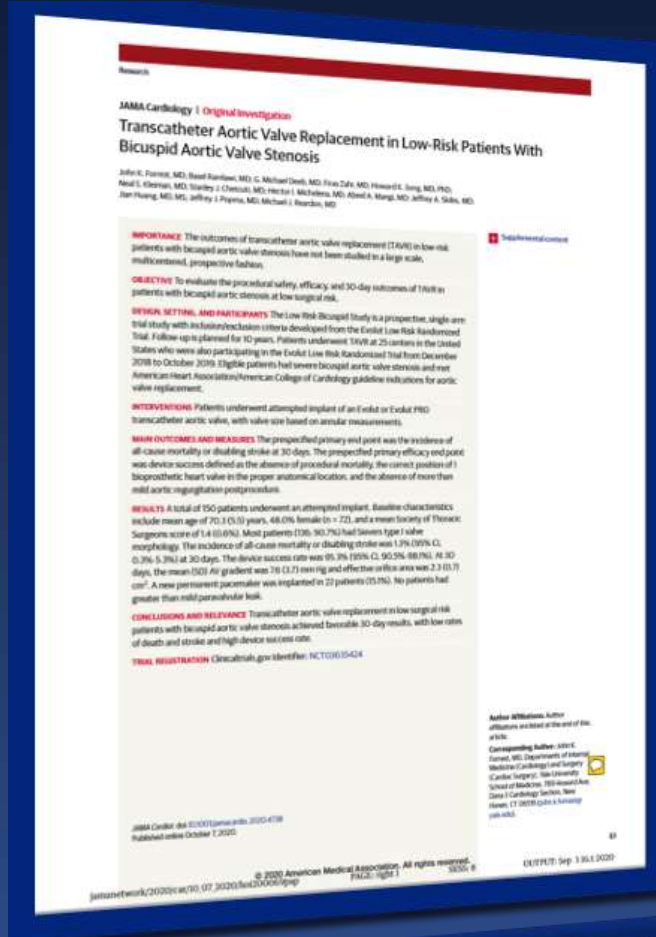


Outcomes at 30 Days

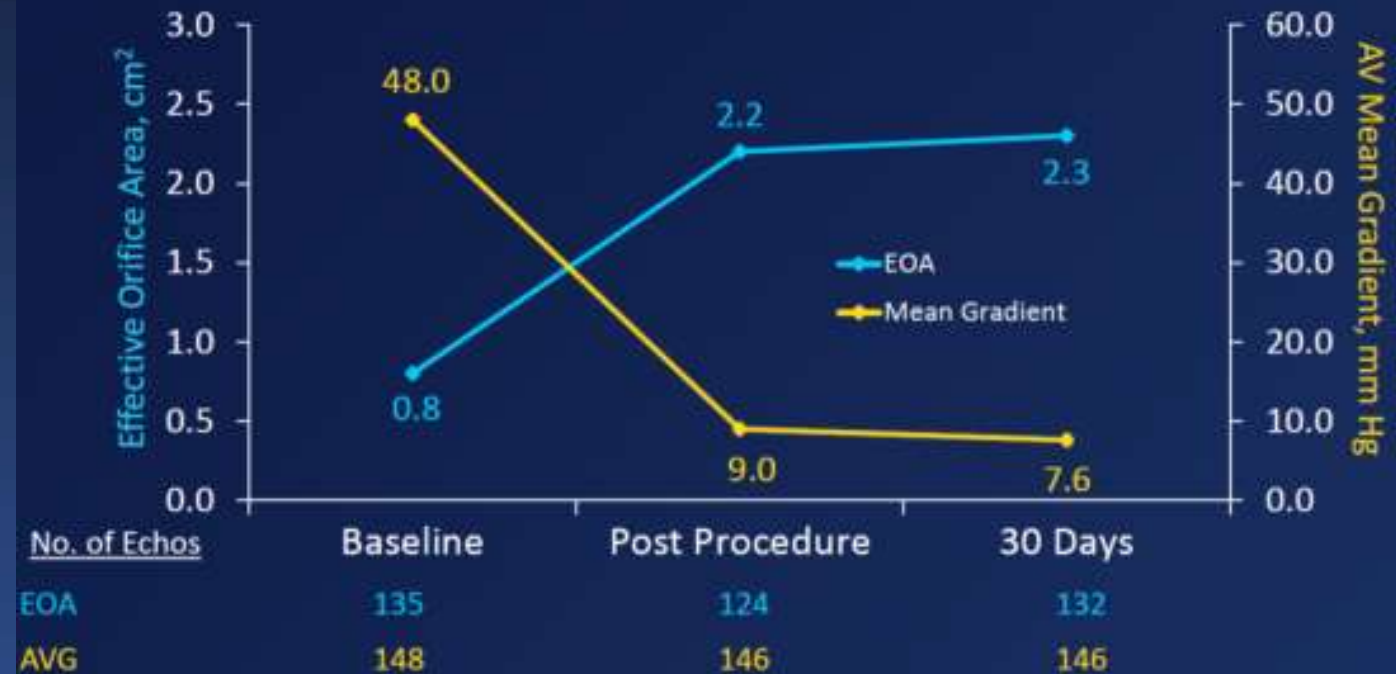
No. of patients (KM estimates as %)	N = 150
All-cause mortality or disabling stroke	2 (1.3)
All-cause mortality	1 (0.7)
Disabling stroke	1 (0.7)
Non-disabling stroke	5 (3.3)
Major vascular complication	2 (1.3)
Aortic dissection	0 (0.0)
Annular rupture	0 (0.0)
Permanent pacemaker*	22 (14.7)
Permanent pacemaker†	22 (15.1)
Coronary artery obstruction	1 (0.7)

*Includes patients with baseline permanent pacemaker. †Excludes patients with baseline permanent pacemaker.

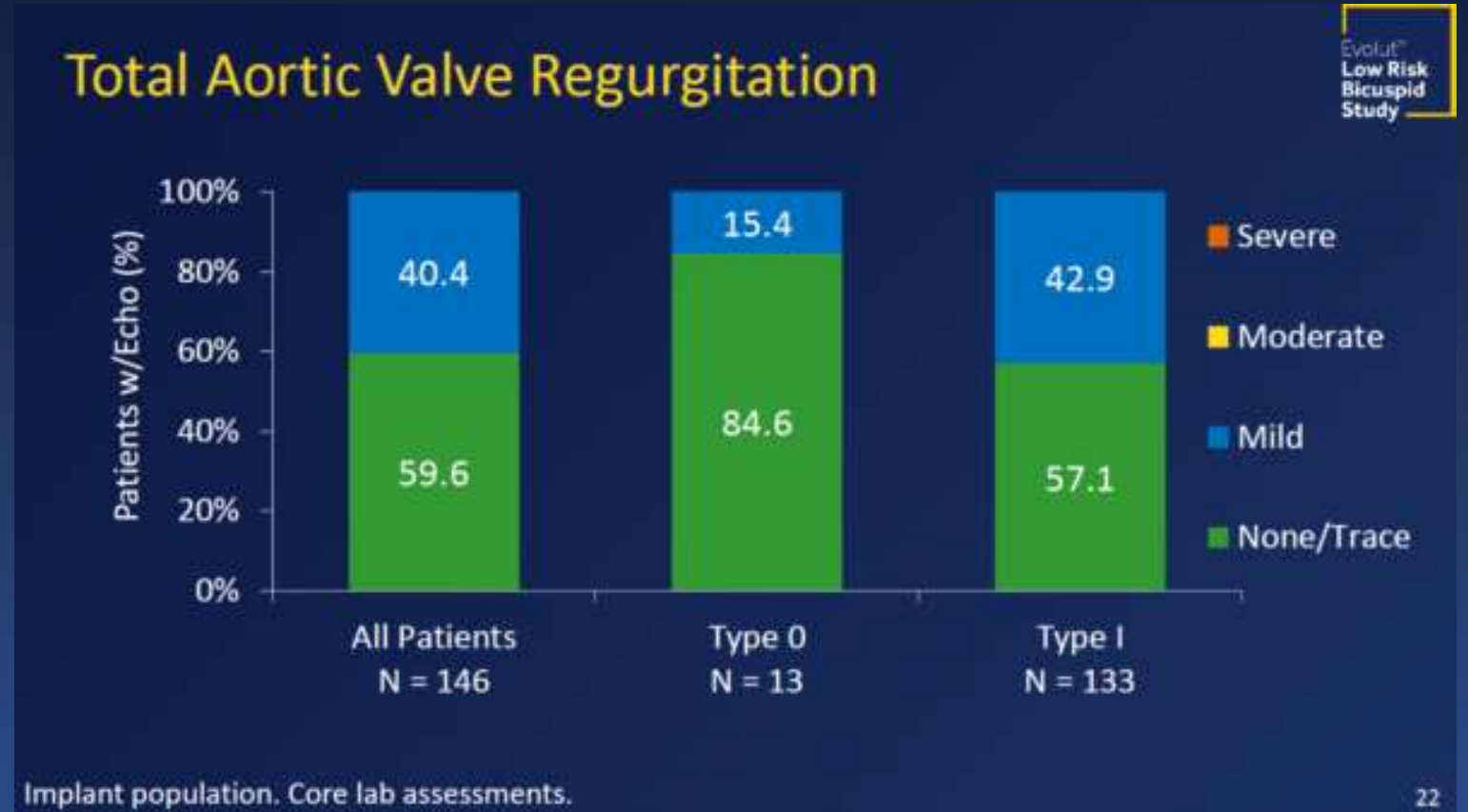
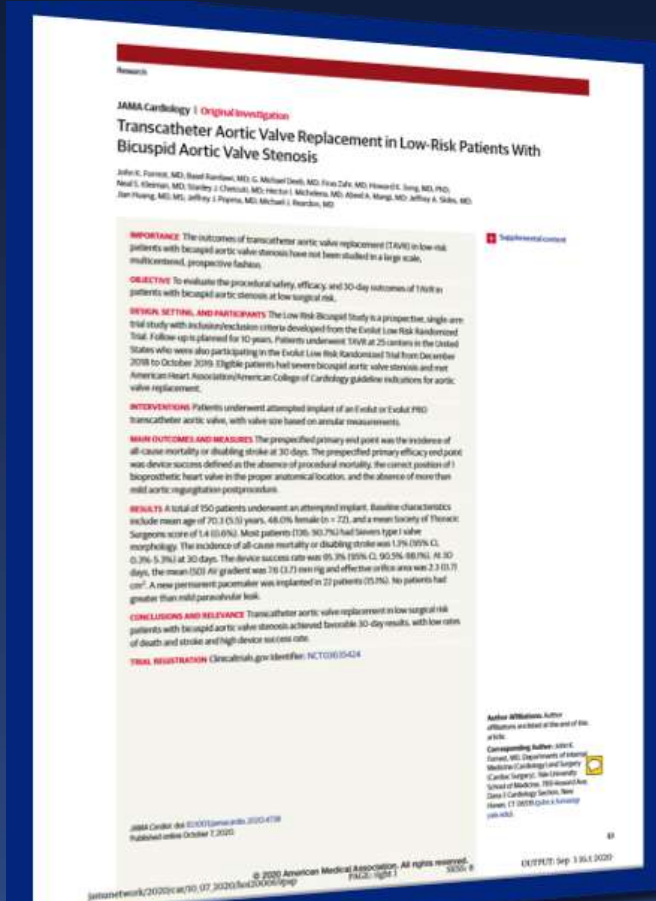
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Valve Hemodynamics



Evolut LR BAV Registry



The PARTNER 3 Bicuspid Registry for SAPIEN 3 TAVR in Low-risk Patients



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on behalf of the PARTNER 3 Trial Investigators

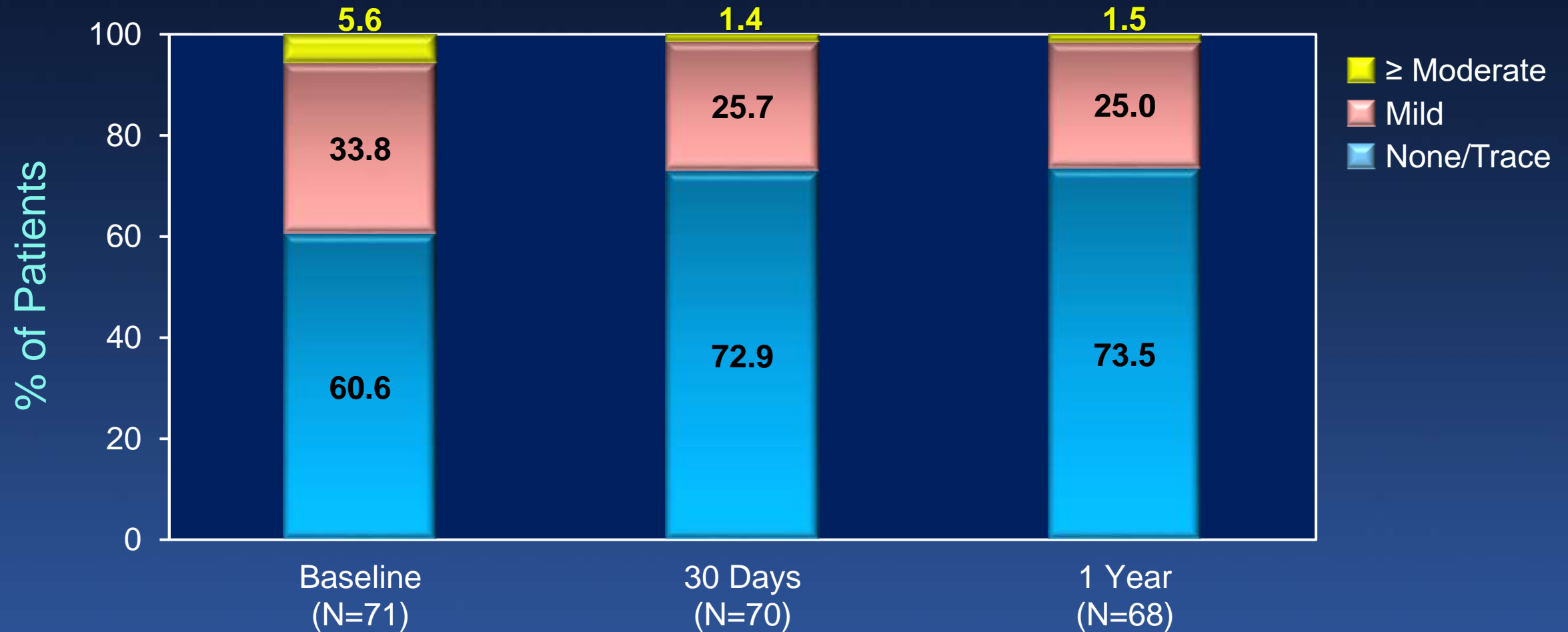
Primary Endpoint

Outcomes	30 Days		1 Year
	Registry (N=71)	CAP (N=98)	Registry (N=71)
Composite	7.0% (5)	6.0% (6)	8.5% (6)
All-cause death	0%	0%	1.4% (1)
All Stroke	2.8% (2)	0%	2.8% (2)
Disabling	0%	0%	0%
CV Rehospitalization	4.2% (3)	6.0% (6)	5.6% (4)

Event rates are KM estimates % (no. of patients)

Aortic Regurgitation

Bicuspid Registry



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The EARLY TAVR Trial

Asymptomatic Severe AS and 2D-TTE (PV $\geq 4\text{m/s}$ or AVA $\leq 1\text{ cm}^2$)
Exclusion if patient is symptomatic, age < 65 yo, EF $< 50\%$, concomitant surgical indications, or STS > 8

Treadmill Stress-Test

Stress-Test Normal

CTA and Angiography
TF- TAVR eligibility

Early-TAVR Randomized Trial

Randomization 1:1
Stratified by STS (< 3 vs ≥ 3)

TF-TAVR

**Clinical
Surveillance**

Stress-Test Abnormal

Early TAVR Registry

1109 pts, 75 US sites

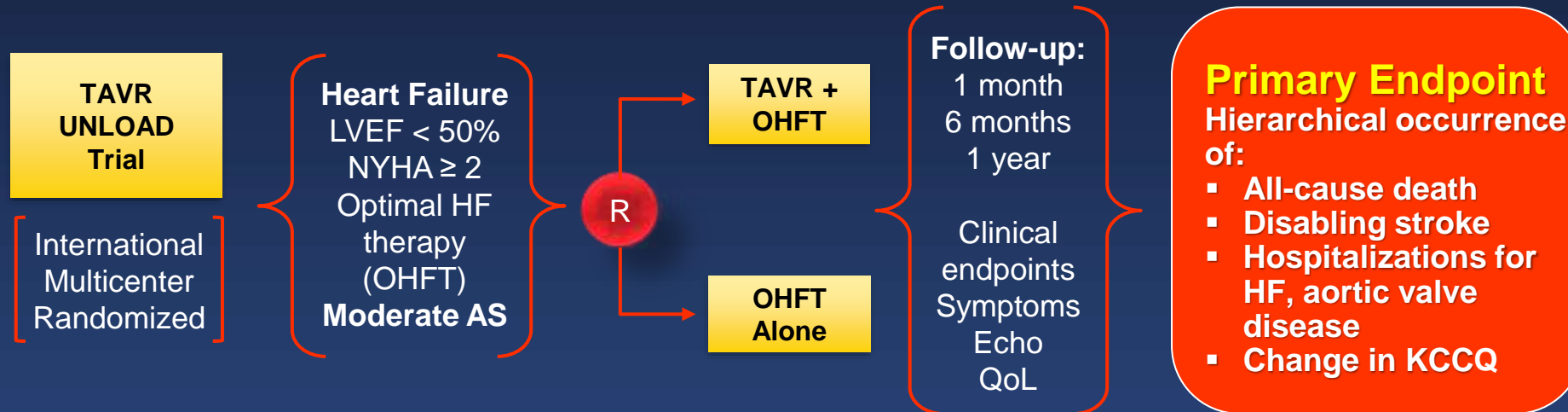
**Primary Endpoint (superiority): 2-year composite
of all-cause mortality, all strokes, and repeat
hospitalizations (CV)**

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Chair: Martin B. Leon**

TAVR UNLOAD Trial - Moderate AS + HF

(300 patients, 1:1 Randomized)

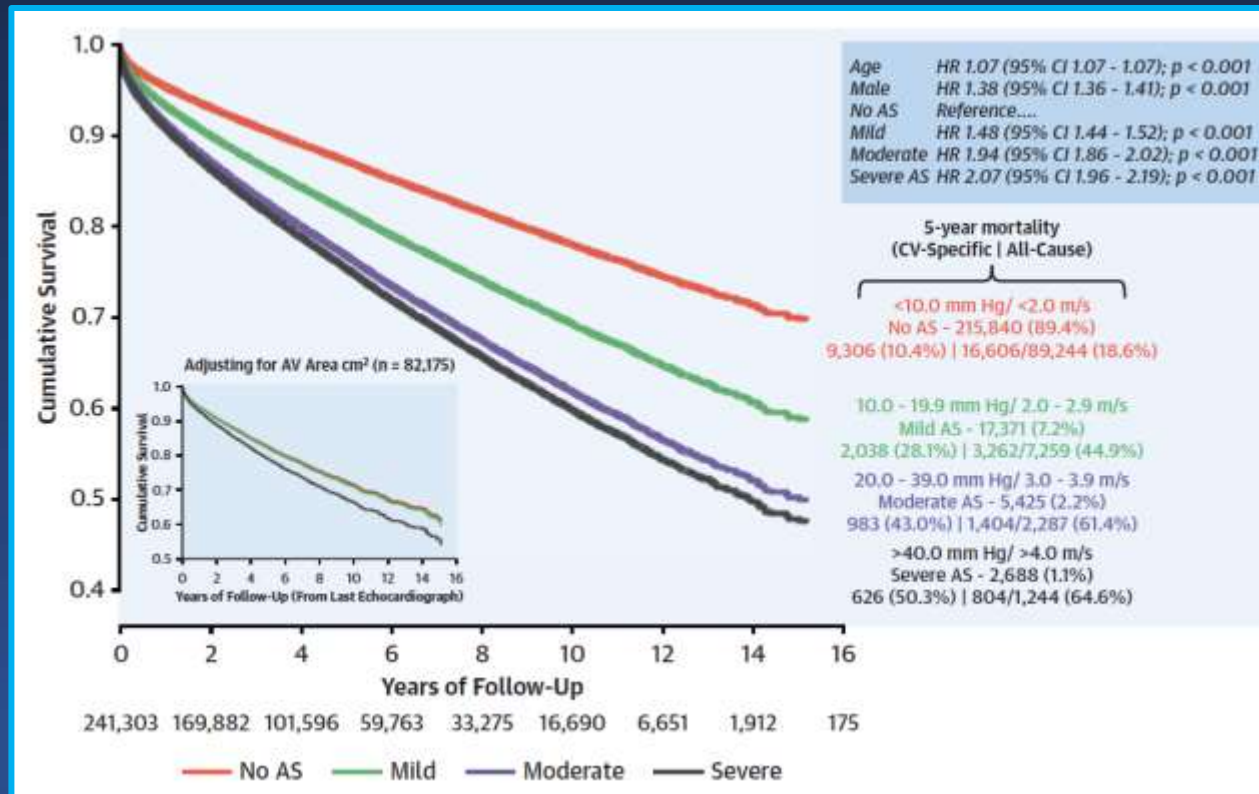
PIs: Nicolas M. Van Mieghem and Martin B. Leon



Reduced AFTERLOAD
Improved LV systolic
and diastolic function

Poor Long-Term Survival in Patients With Moderate Aortic Stenosis

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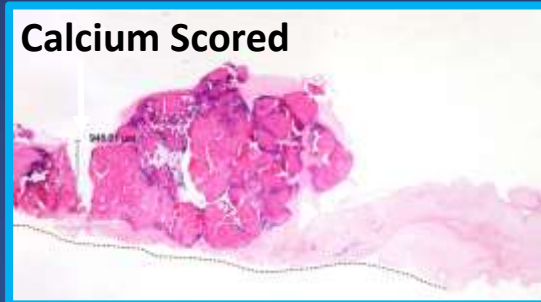
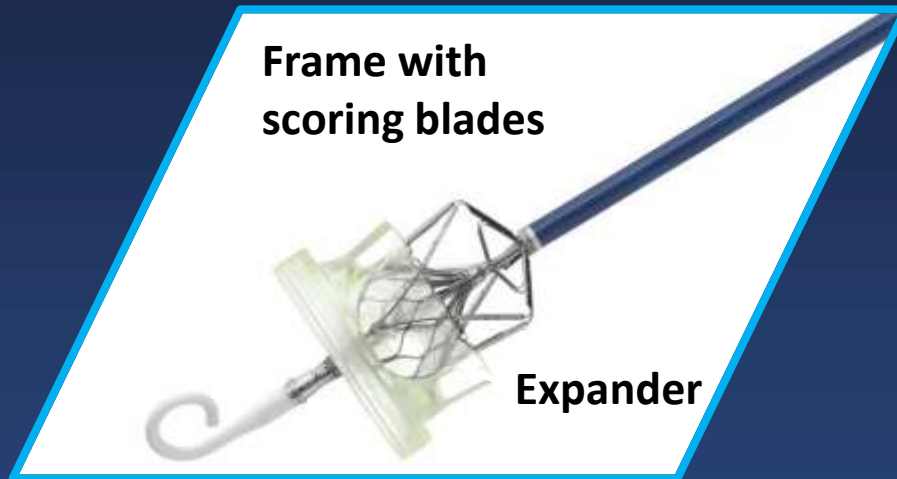
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- *Life journey w AS in younger patients (aortic valve remodeling, multiple procedures, which comes first = sequencing?)*

TAVR – Future Directions

Aortic Valve Remodeling

Leaflex AVRT



- Mechanical scoring blades fracture leaflet calcium and improve leaflet mobility
- 13 Fr catheter
- Non-occlusive (no PM)
- Can be used as (1) stand-alone, (2) bridge to TAVR/SAVR or (3) preparation for TAVR (heavily calcified valves)

Aortic Stenosis Lifelong Therapy Choices

Age matters (symptomatic severe AS)

< 50 yo

- SAVR
- MV>BV

MV= mechanical valve
BV= bioprosthetic valve

50-65 yo

- SAVR
- MV or BV
- TAVR only if SAVR adverse

Adverse= clinical or anatomic factors

65-75yo

- SAVR or TAVR
- TAVR ideal or SAVR adverse
- SDM

SDM= shared decisions

> 75 yo

- TAVR
- SAVR only if TAVR adverse

Think SEQUENCING...

The Patients are Simply AMAZING!



Patient #1

92 yo man with
critical AS...

TAVR at CUMC
on 2/8/06...

Playing golf in
Palm Springs on
3/8/06!!!

“Outpatient” Same-Day TAVR

Sacre-Coeur Hospital; Montreal, CN

Featured Case Reports

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Same Day Discharge after Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement: Are We There yet?

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Early discharge after transcatheter aortic valve replacement (TAVR) has been increasingly reported, and is now becoming routinely performed in experienced TAVR centers. However, to the best of our knowledge, no case has been described where a patient was safely discharged on the same day of the procedure. This report will present the case of a patient who underwent a successful transfemoral TAVR and was safely discharged home the same day. Specific requirements and criteria are proposed to ensure the safety of this approach. © 2015 Wiley Periodicals, Inc.

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