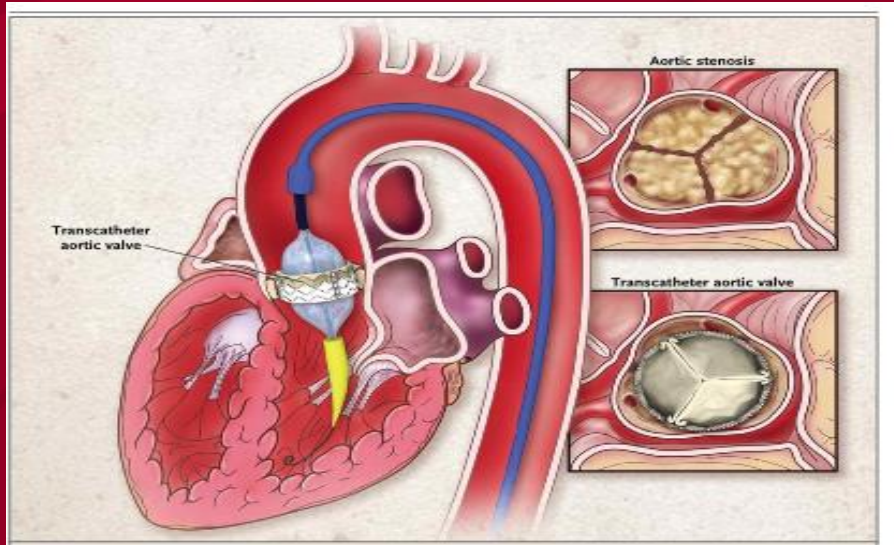


# Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement



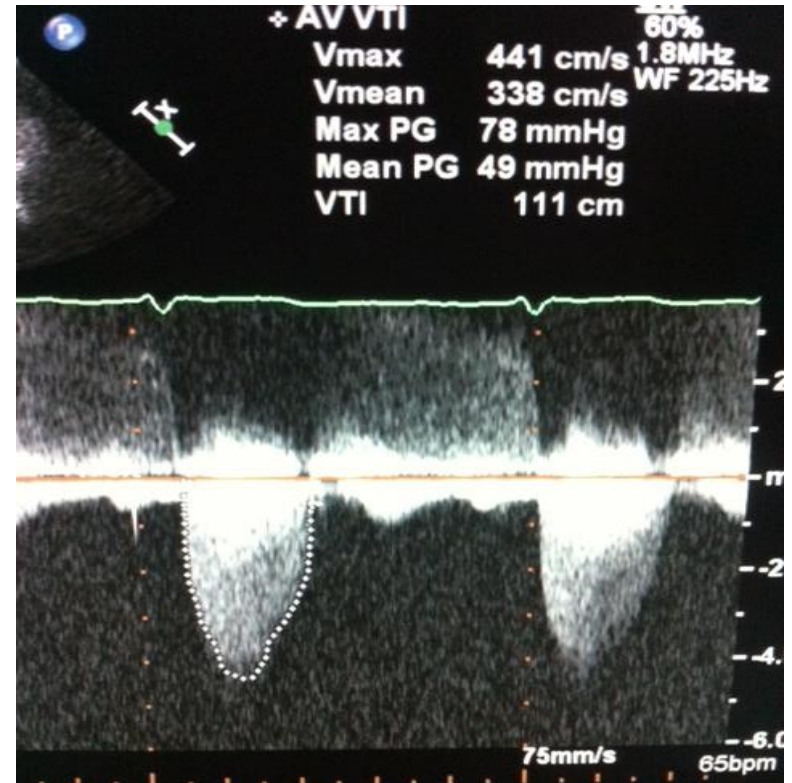
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# Patient Case

- 75 year old male with previous 3V CABG 2009
- Develops sx's of DOE over past 6 months
- On exam, diminished carotid upstroke
  - II/VI harsh late peaking systolic murmur; soft S2
  - Radiation of murmur to neck
  - Diminished carotid upstroke

# 2D echo

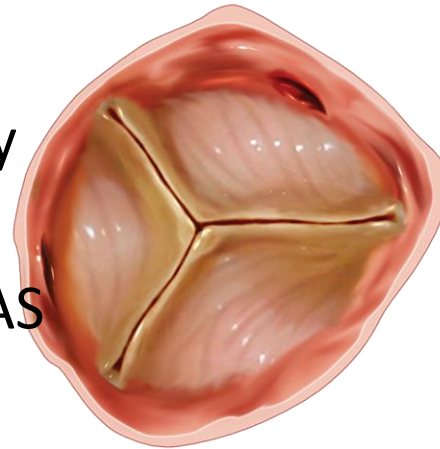


# Etiology: Calcific Aortic Stenosis (AS)

Mechanism of Stenosis is Similar to Atherosclerosis<sup>1</sup>

- Mainly solid calcium deposits within the valve cusps
- Similar risk factors to Coronary Artery Disease (CAD)
- High coincidence of CAD and AS in same individual<sup>2</sup>
- 6th, 7th, and 8th decades of life
- Calcific AS is leading cause of aortic valve replacement

Healthy Aortic Valve



Stenotic Aortic Valve

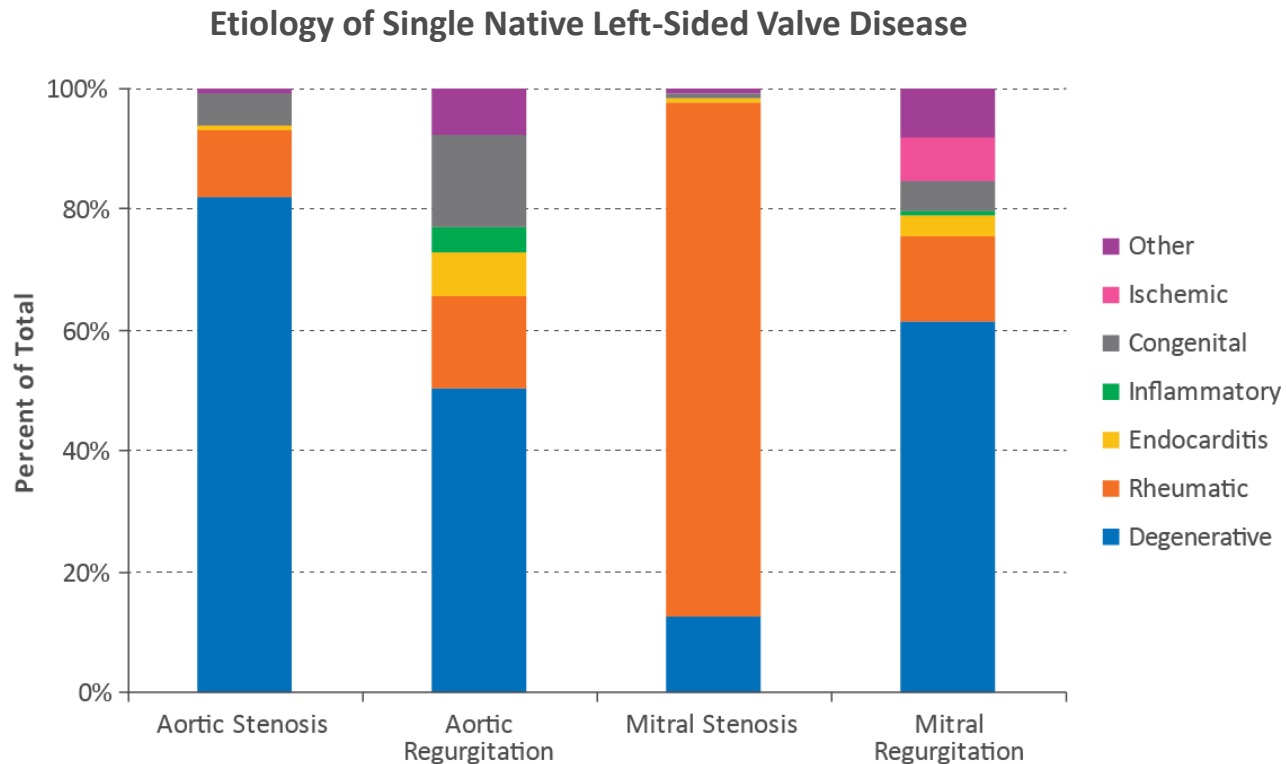


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# Disease Etiology

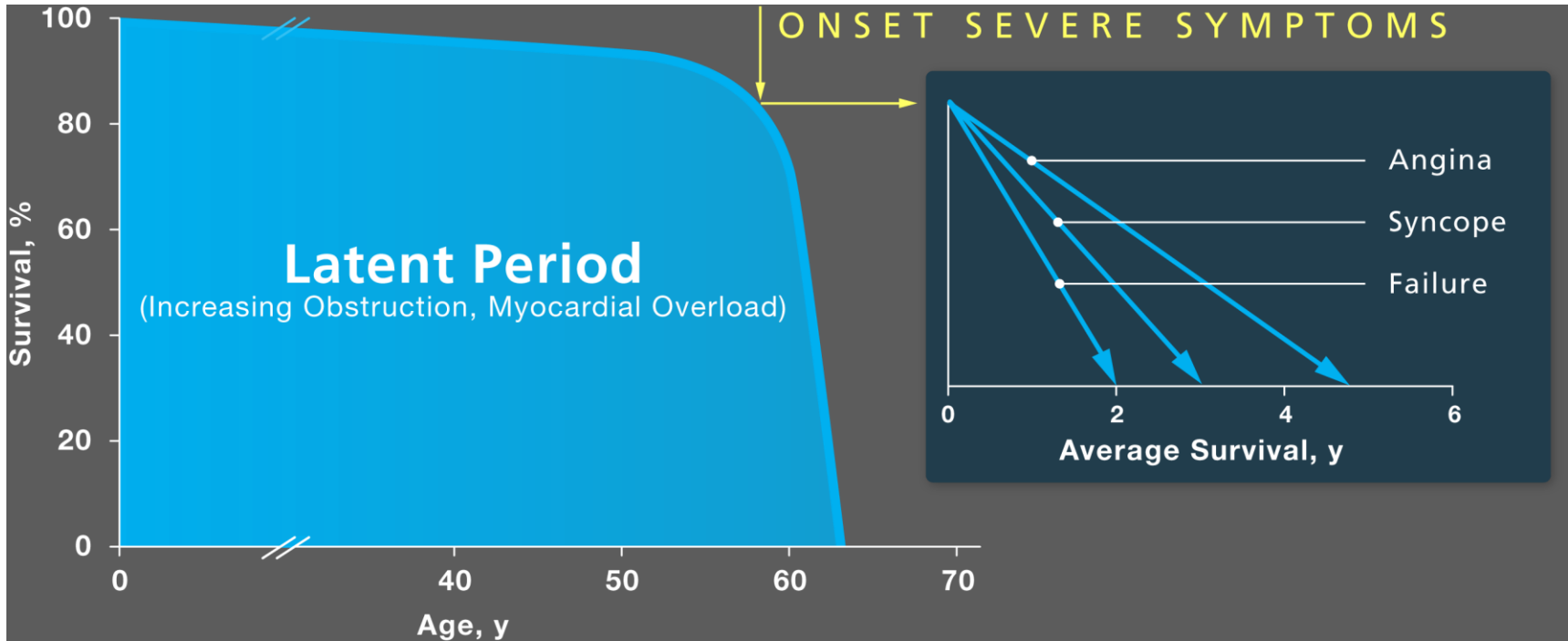
## Aortic Stenosis is Predominantly a Degenerative Disease



# Triad of Symptoms

- Angina
  - - Increased oxygen demand due to LV hypertrophy
  - - Reduced coronary flow reserve
  - - Subendocardial ischemia
- Syncope
  - - Arrhythmias (AFIB, NSVT, transient AV block)
  - - Vasodepressor reflexes
- CHF
  - - Afterload mismatch; diastolic dysfunction

# Prognosis



- Survival after onset of symptoms is 50% at 2 years and 20% at 5 years<sup>2</sup>
- Intervention for severe aortic stenosis should be performed promptly once even minor symptoms occur<sup>2</sup>

# Aortic Stenosis Severity Classification

AHA/ACC Guidelines 2014  
Guidelines

Indicator	Stage A: At Risk	Stage B: Progressive (Mild)	Stage B: Progressive (Moderate)	Stage C: Asymptomatic (Severe)	Stage D: Symptomatic (Severe)
Jet Velocity (m/s)	< 2.0	2.0 - 2.9	3.0 – 3.9	≥ 4.0	≥ 4.0
Mean Gradient (mmHg)		< 20	20 – 39	≥ 40	≥ 40
Valve Area (cm <sup>2</sup> )				≤ 1.0	≤ 1.0
Valve Area Index (cm <sup>2</sup> /m <sup>2</sup> )				≤ 0.6	≤ 0.6



# Timing of Aortic Valve Replacement (AVR)

ACC/AHA 2014 Guidelines

Recommendations	COR	LOE	References
AVR is recommended with severe high-gradient AS who have symptoms by history or on exercise testing (stage D1)	I	B	(10, 57-59)
AVR is recommended for asymptomatic patients with severe AS (stage C2) and LVEF <50%	I	B	(61, 62)
AVR is indicated for patients with severe AS (stage C or D) when undergoing other cardiac surgery	I	B	(63, 64)
AVR is reasonable for asymptomatic patients with very severe AS (stage C1, aortic velocity $\geq$ 5.0 m/s) and low surgical risk	IIa	B	(65, 66)
AVR is reasonable in asymptomatic patients (stage C1) with severe AS and decreased exercise tolerance or an exercise fall in BP	IIa	B	(27, 38)
AVR is reasonable in symptomatic patients with low-flow/low-gradient severe AS with reduced LVEF (stage D2) with a low-dose dobutamine stress study that shows an aortic velocity $\geq$ 4.0 m/s (or mean pressure gradient $\geq$ 40 mm Hg) with a valve area $\leq$ 1.0 cm <sup>2</sup> at any dobutamine dose	IIa	B	(67-69)
AVR is reasonable in symptomatic patients who have low-flow/low-gradient severe AS (stage D3) who are normotensive and have an LVEF $\geq$ 50% if clinical, hemodynamic, and anatomic data support valve obstruction as the most likely cause of symptoms	IIa	C	N/A
AVR is reasonable for patients with moderate AS (stage B) (aortic velocity 3.0–3.9 m/s) who are undergoing other cardiac surgery	IIa	C	N/A
AVR may be considered for asymptomatic patients with severe AS (stage C1) and rapid disease progression and low surgical risk	IIb	C	N/A

AS=aortic stenosis; AVR=aortic valve replacement by either surgical or transcatheter approach; BP=blood pressure; COR= Class of Recommendation; LOE=Level of Evidence; LVEF=left ventricular ejection fraction; N/A=not applicable.

- Surgical aortic valve replacement has been the standard of care and treatment of choice in patients with severe AS.
- However, over 30% of patients are not candidates for surgical AVR due to comorbidities (LV dysfunction, advanced age, COPD, etc).

# Risk Stratification of Severe, Symptomatic Aortic Stenosis Patients

AHA/ACC 2014 Guidelines

	<b>Low Operative Risk</b> (Must Meet ALL Criteria in This Column)	<b>Intermediate Operative Risk</b> (Any 1 Criterion in This Column)	<b>High Operative Risk</b> (Any 1 Criterion in This Column)	<b>Prohibitive Operative Risk</b> (Any 1 Criterion in This Column)
STS PROM <sup>1</sup>	< 3% AND	3% to 8% OR	> 8% OR	Prohibited risk with surgery of death or major morbidity (all-cause) > 50% at 1 year OR
Frailty <sup>2</sup>	None AND	1 Index (mild) OR	≥ 2 Indices (moderate to severe) OR	
Major organ system compromise not to be improved postoperatively <sup>3</sup>	None AND	1 organ system OR	No more than 2 organ systems OR	
Procedure specific impediment <sup>4</sup>	None	Possible procedure-specific impediment	Possible procedure-specific impediment	Severe procedure-specific impediment

1. Use of the STS PROM to predict risk in a given institution with reasonable reliability is appropriate only if institutional outcomes are within 1 standard deviation of STS average observed/expected ratio for the procedure in question.
2. Seven frailty indices: Katz Activities of Daily Living (independence in feeding, bathing, dressing, transferring, toileting, and urinary continence) and independence in ambulation (no walking aid or assist required or 5-meter walk in <6 s). Other scoring systems can be applied to calculate no, mild-, or moderate-to-severe frailty.
3. Examples of major organ system compromise: Cardiac—severe LV systolic or diastolic dysfunction or RV dysfunction, fixed pulmonary hypertension; CKD stage 3 or worse; pulmonary dysfunction with FEV1 <50% or DLCO2 <50% of predicted; CNS dysfunction (dementia, Alzheimer’s disease, Parkinson’s disease, CVA with persistent physical limitation); GI dysfunction—Crohn’s disease, ulcerative colitis, nutritional impairment, or serum albumin <3.0; cancer—active malignancy; and liver—any history of cirrhosis, variceal bleeding, or elevated INR in the absence of VKA therapy.
4. Examples: tracheostomy present, heavily calcified ascending aorta, chest malformation, arterial coronary graft adherent to posterior chest wall, or radiation damage.

# The Eyeball Test

## TAVR Patient Selection *Includes Careful Frailty Assessment*

*Patient A*



vs.

*Patient B*

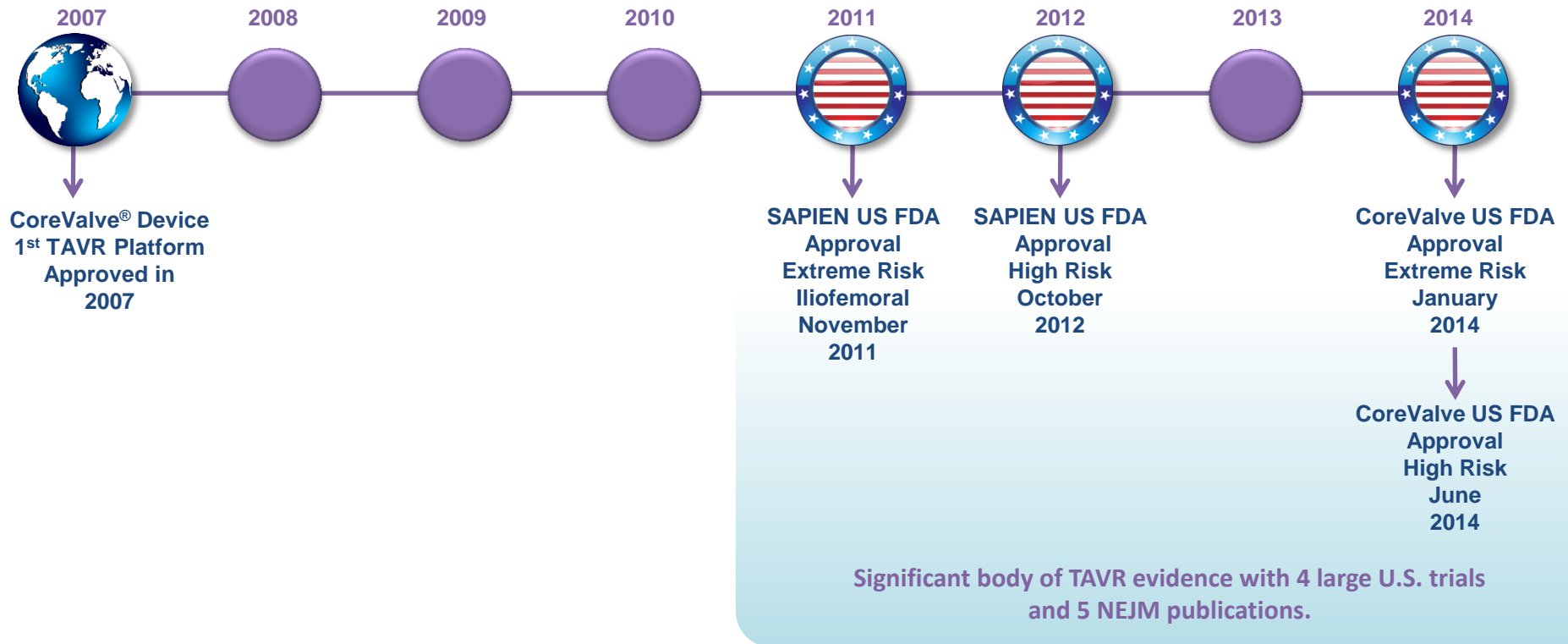


*Same age and predicted risk  
One passes the “eyeball test” – one does not*

*Frailty is being studied systematically as part of  
the PARTNER U.S. IDE study*

# Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement Global Timeline

- More than 100,000 TAVR implants globally since 1<sup>st</sup> introduced commercially in 2007
- More than 60 countries



# Edwards Sapien 3

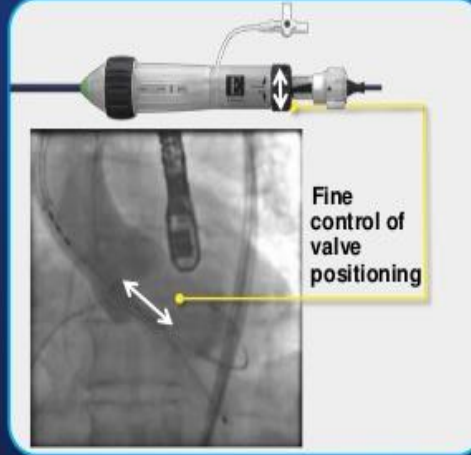
## SAPIEN 3 Commander Delivery System Distinguishing Features



- Improved coaxial alignment



- Accurate positioning

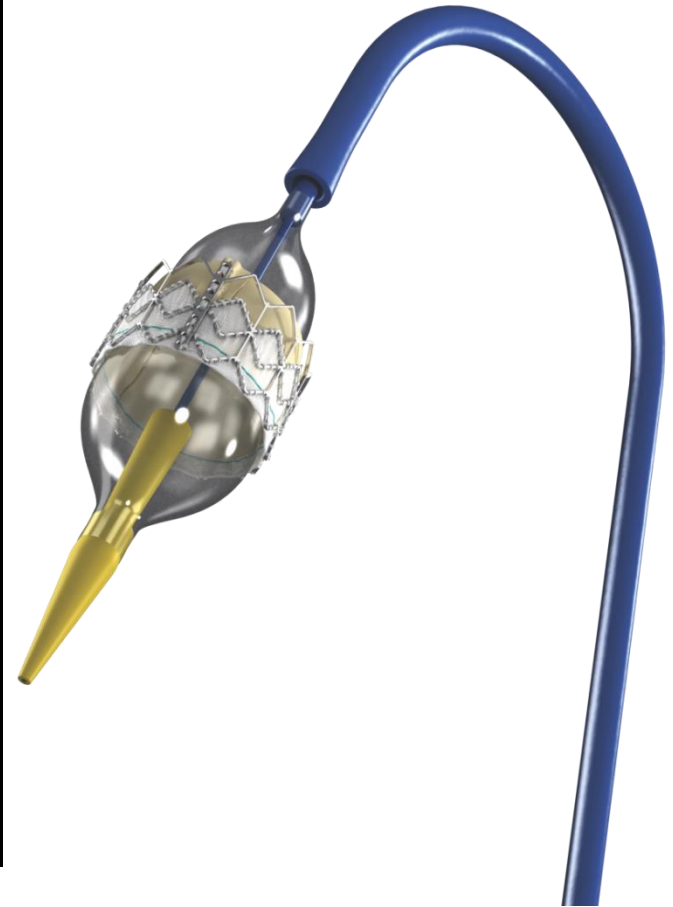
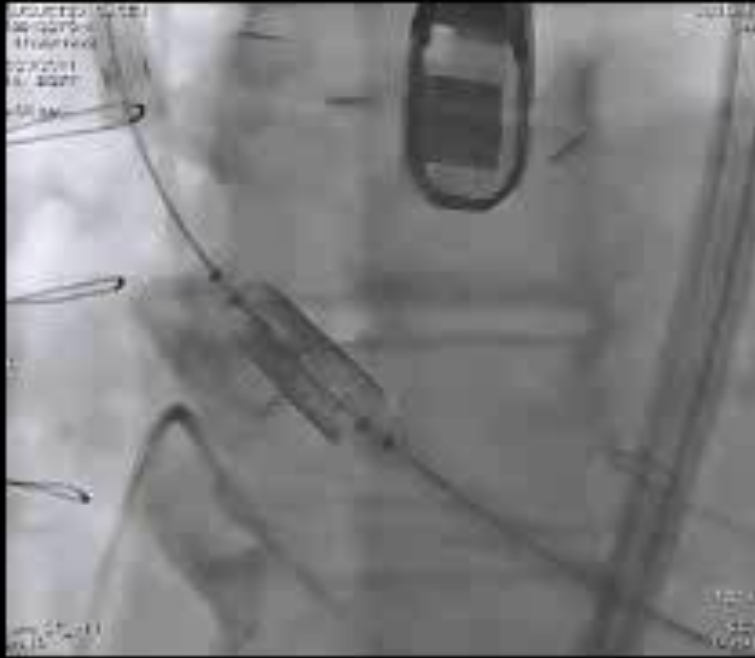


SAPIEN 3 Valve Size	20 mm	23 mm	26 mm	29 mm
Expandable Sheath	14F	14F	14F	16F
Minimum Access Vessel Diameter	5.5 mm	5.5 mm	5.5 mm	6.0 mm



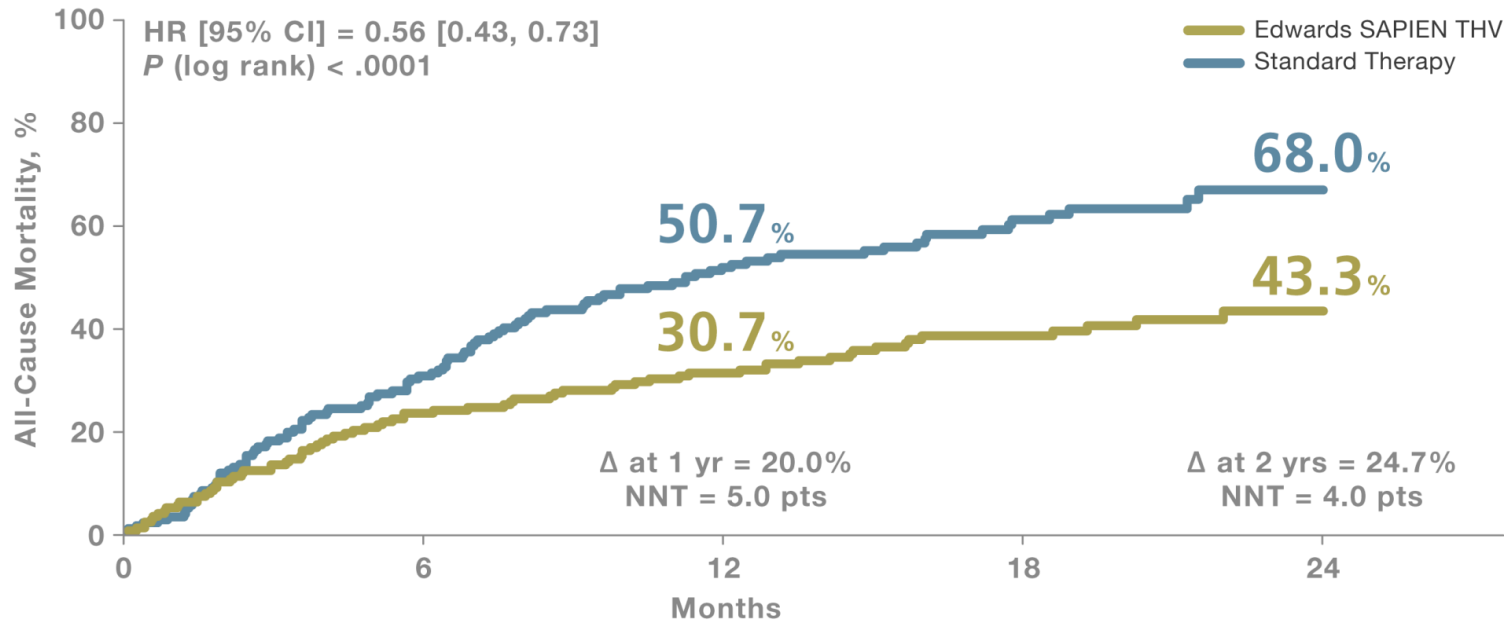
- Tri-leaflet bovine pericardial tissue
- Balloon expandable cobalt chromium frame
- Needs rapid pacing for deployment
- TF, TA, TAO deployment

# ■ Edwards SAPIEN Transcatheter Heart Valve Deployment



# PARTNER TRIAL: Cohort B

## ALL-CAUSE MORTALITY AT 1 YEAR AND 2 YEARS



### Numbers at Risk

	0	6	12	18	24
Edwards SAPIEN THV	179	138	124	110	83
Standard Therapy	179	121	85	62	42



# Medtronic Evolut R



ORMC first in Central Florida to deploy this valve  
14 French equivalent  
First recapturable and repositionable device  
on the market

- *self expanding nitinol frame*
- pacemaker requirement
- 23mm, 26, 29, 31mm devices



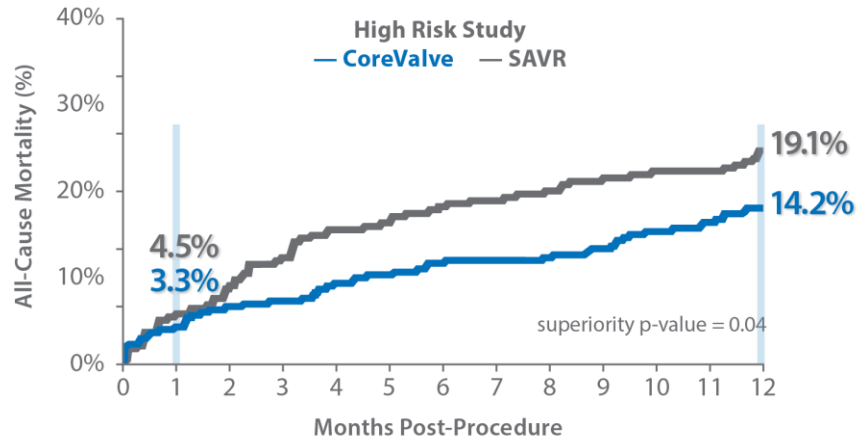
# CoreValve U.S. Pivotal Trial High Risk Study

## Optimal TAVR Outcomes

### The Proof:

#### High Survival

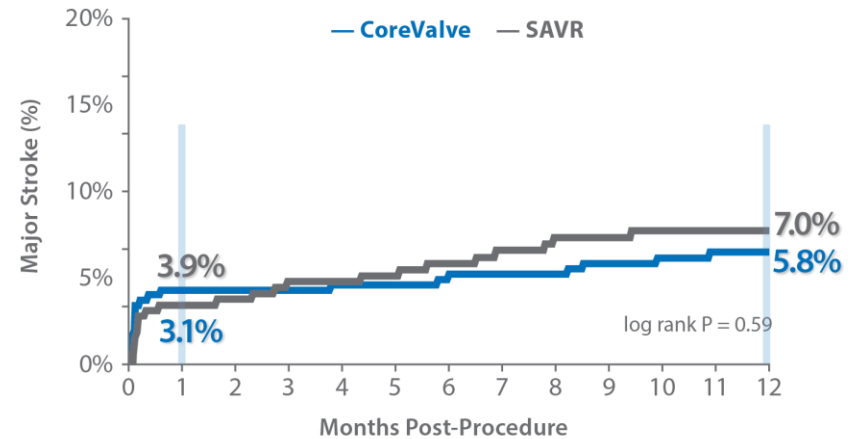
The CoreValve Platform demonstrates high survival rates that outperform the standard of care at one year.



One year survival significantly outperforms surgical valve replacement in high risk patients

#### Low and Stable Major Stroke Rate

The CoreValve Platform demonstrates a low stroke rate out to one year.



Using a prospective assessment of stroke in high risk patients, the major stroke rate is comparable to surgical valve replacement.

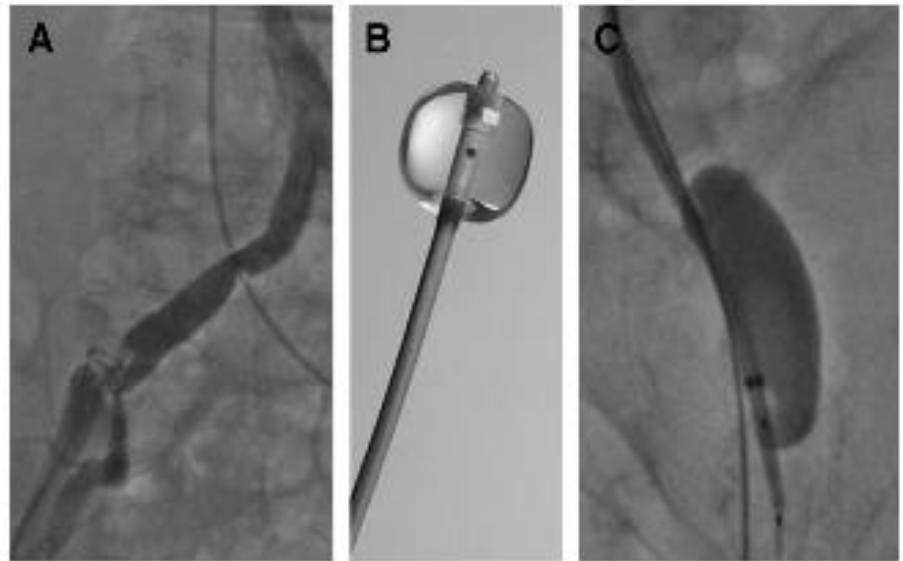
**~20-25% needed new pacemakers post-TAVR vs 10% with surgery**

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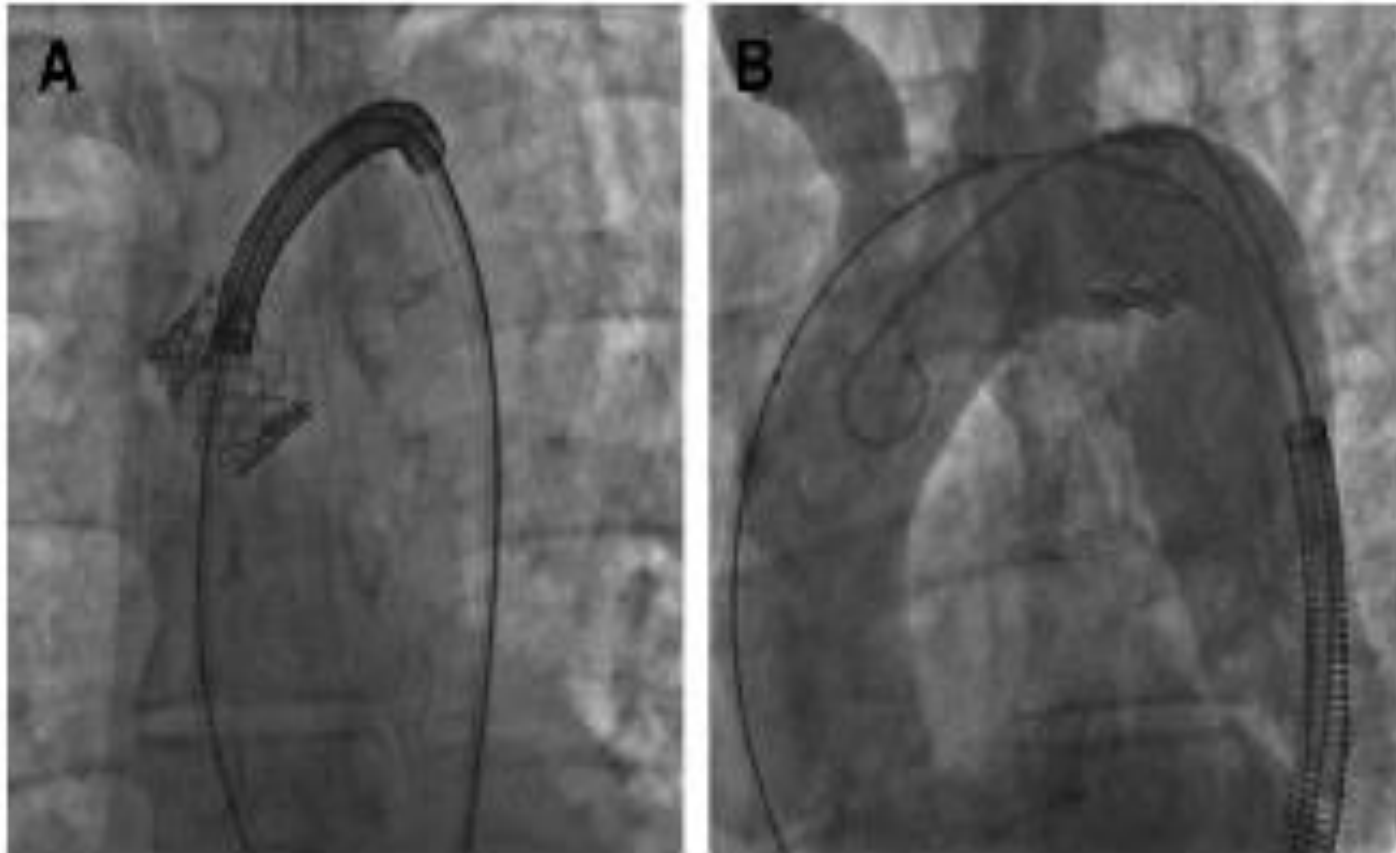
To view the complete CoreValve Instructions for Use visit: [manuals.medtronic.com](http://manuals.medtronic.com)

# TAVR Mayhem

- “Iliac on a stick”



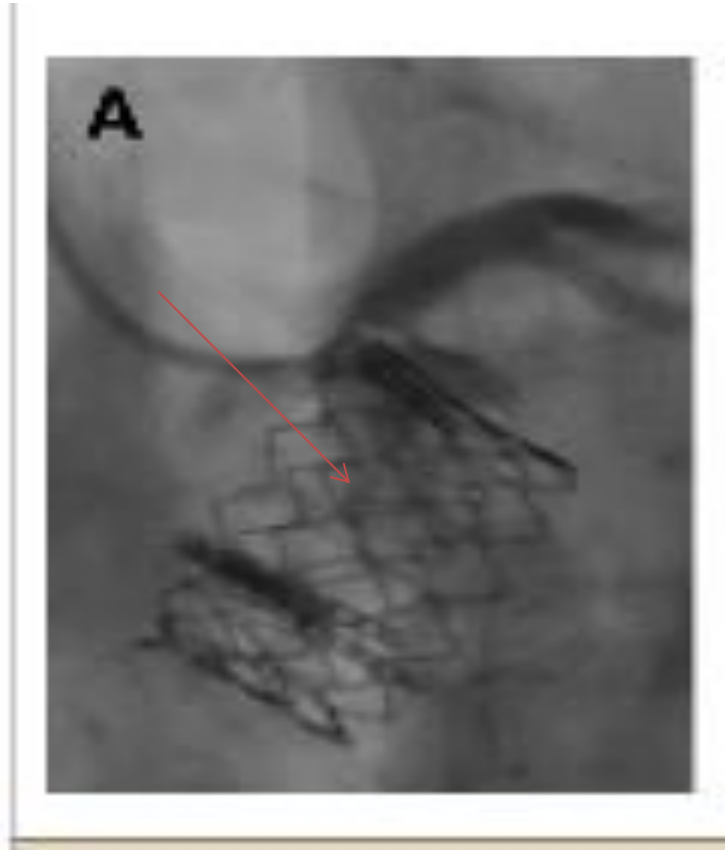
# Valve Embolization



# Valve Embolization



# Coronary occlusion



# Heart Valve Team





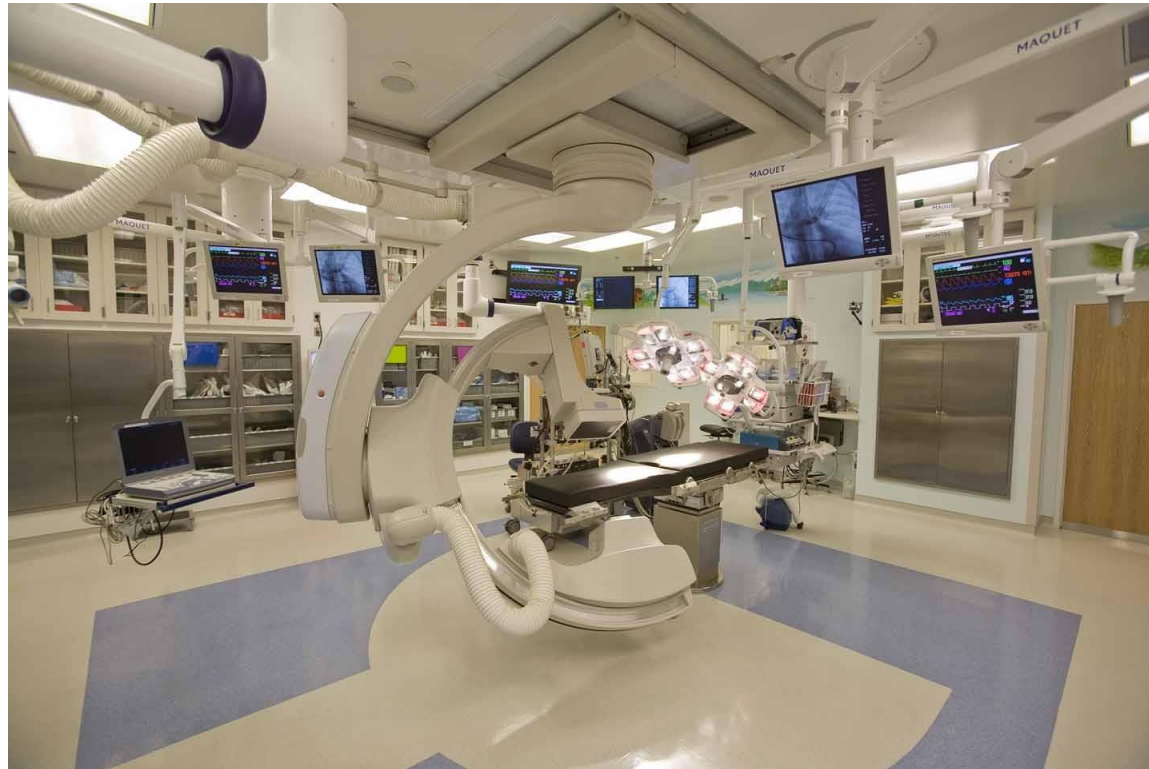
# ■ Patient Evaluation at Heart Valve Clinic

## Example of Testing Conducted at a Heart Valve Clinic

- CT Scan
- Echo
- Labs
- EKG
- Physical Exam
- STS Score
- Independent Living
- Gait Test/Grip Strength
- MMSE2
- NY Heart Failure Class
- Catheterization



# Hybrid Operating Room



# Growth of TAVR at ORMC

Fiscal Year	Number of TAVRs
2013	26
2014	31
2015	50
2016	73
2017	90 ( <i>and counting!</i> )

# Statistics (N = 270)

	ORMC (%)	National Average(%)
30 day/discharge mortality	1.85	7
One year mortality	12.6	23.7
Stroke	3	4.1
Permanent pacemaker	14	17
Vascular complications	4	8-15 (Meta)

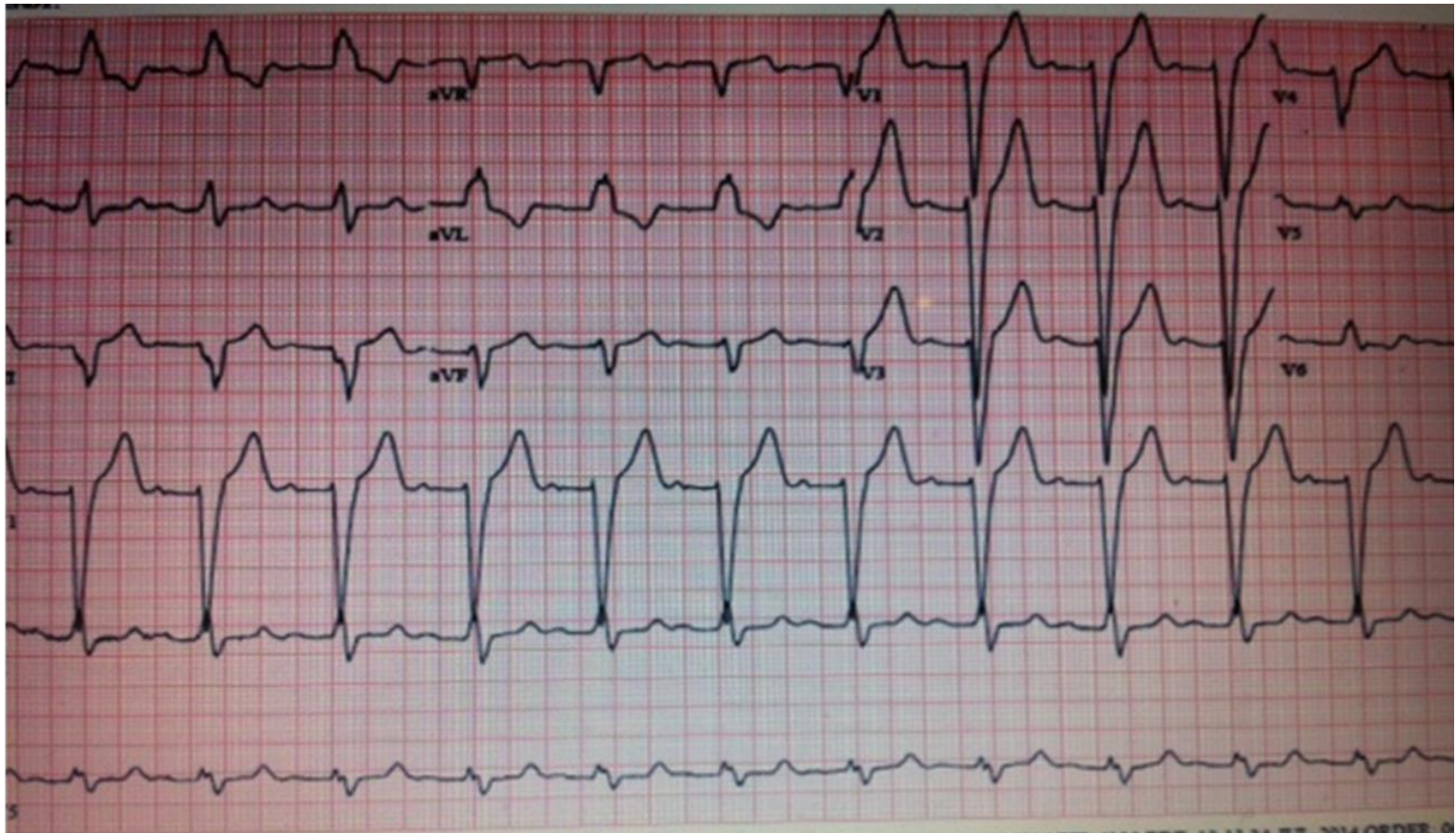
# Hospital Course

- Calculated STS score ~ 7.5
- Much debate on best approach
- Pt underwent successful TAVR with 29mm Corevalve from transfemoral approach.

# Post-operative Course

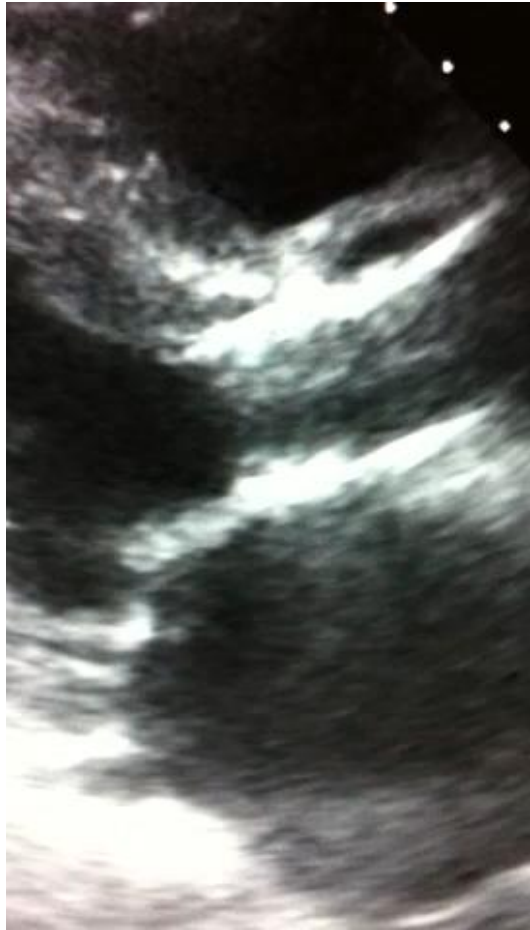
- Seen at 30-day follow-up. Echo gradients significantly improved. Mean gradient 7 mmHg. Trivial AI.
- Sxs of dyspnea on exertion significantly improved.

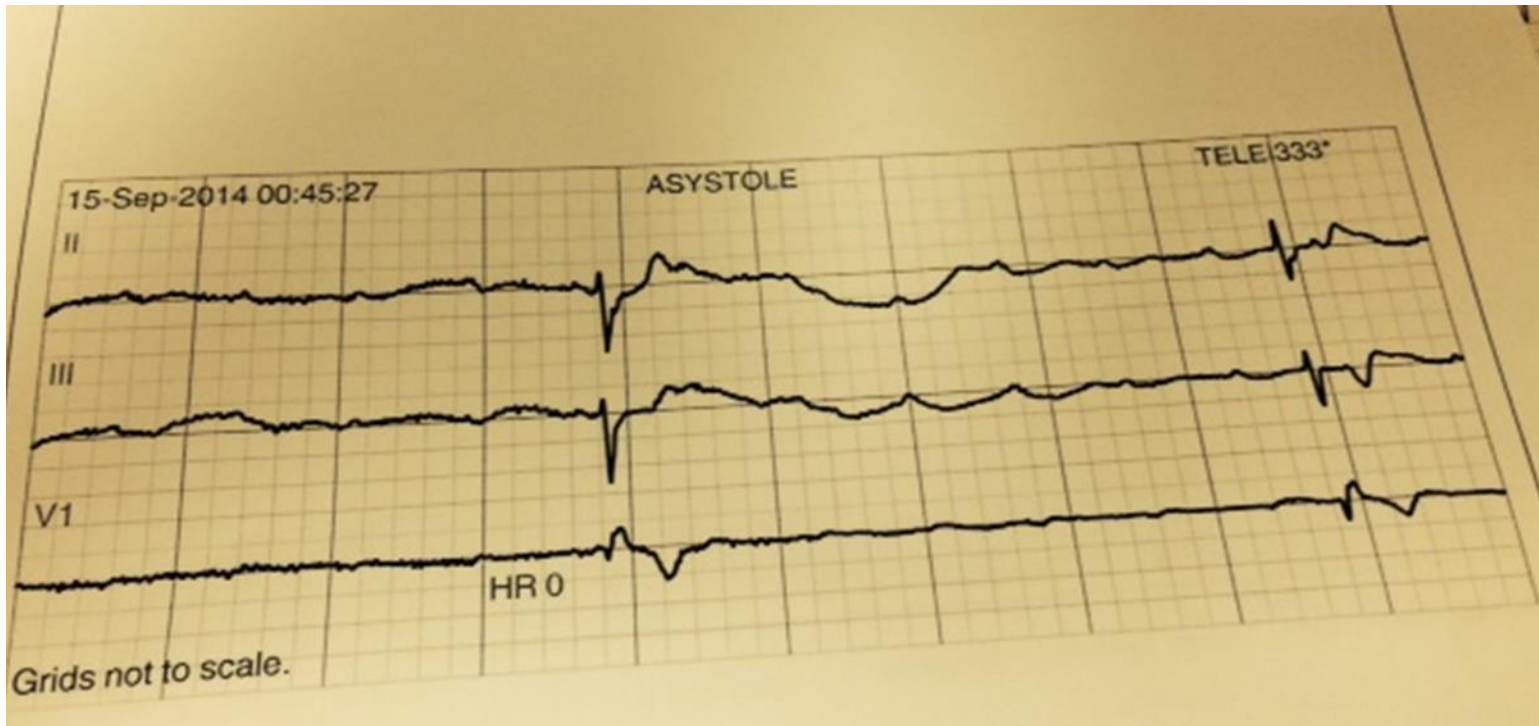






# Post-TAVR echo





## ■ Conclusions

- TAVR has become the standard of care in patients with severe AS who are deemed inoperable or high risk for standard AVR
- TAVR is now approved for use in intermediate risk patients (STS score 3 -8).
- Successful implementation of TAVR requires a cohesive team of cardiologists and surgeons, state-of-the-art infrastructure and a supportive hospital administration.

# Case Presentation

- 49 year old male with no previous cardiac history
- Presented with left sided weakness and aphasia
- non-smoker; non-drinker
- On no medications
- CT brain – no hemorrhage
- CTA showed R MCA clot; TPA initiated with subsequent right M1 embolectomy by interventional Neurosurgery

- Symptoms completely resolved
- 2D echo (no bubble study) – unremarkable
- MRV pelvic veins – unremarkable
- MRA carotid/brain – unremarkable
- Hypercoag workup unremarkable
- TCD – Grade V shunting
- Pt started on empiric Eliquis
- Cardiology consult obtained for TEE:

# TEE Findings:



- Normal LV/RV size and function
- Atrial septal aneurysm with patent foramen ovale (PFO) with positive bubble study
- What is the data for PFO closure in cryptogenic stroke?

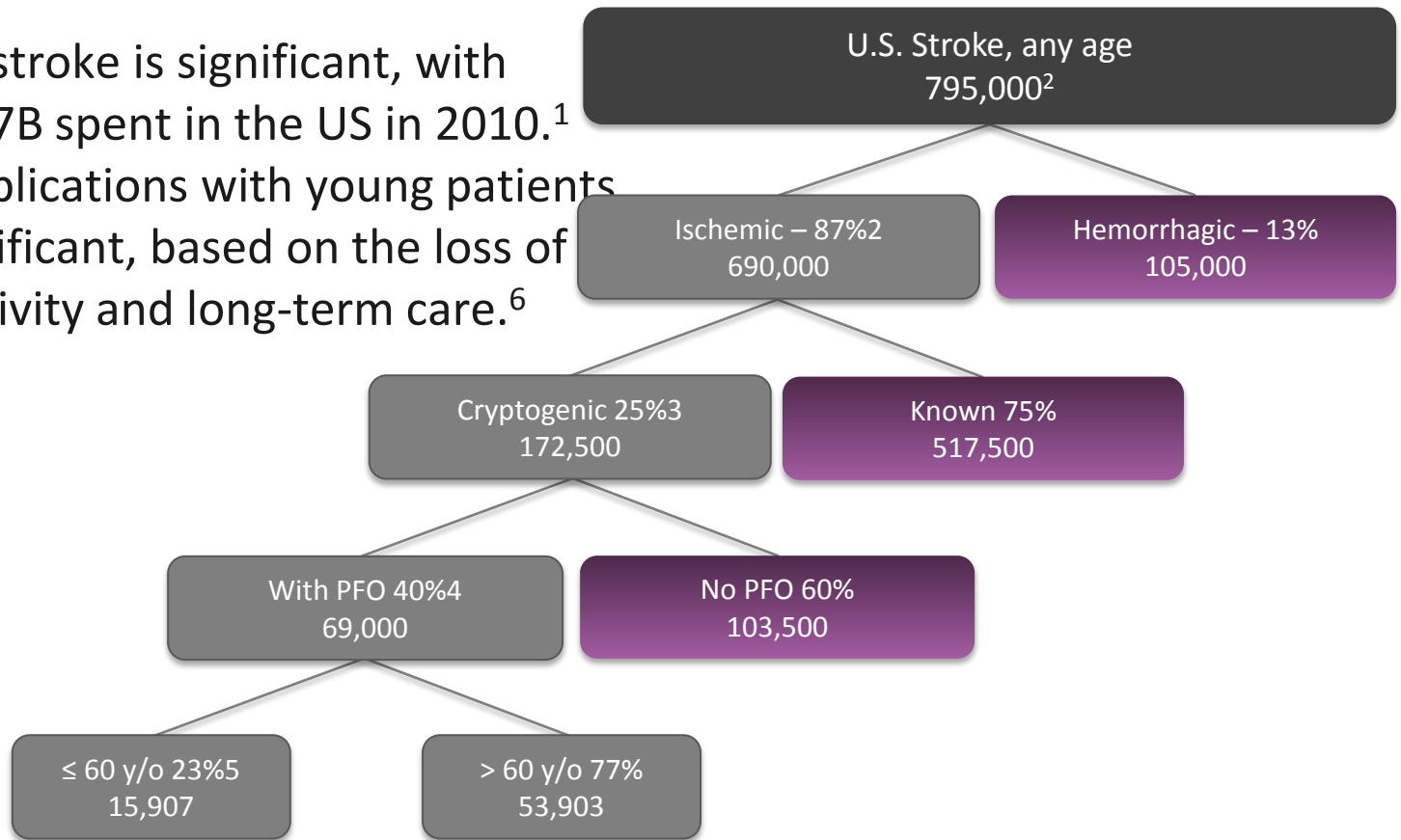
# Is the PFO an innocent bystander?





# U.S. PFO Incidence

- Cost of stroke is significant, with over \$37B spent in the US in 2010.<sup>1</sup> Cost implications with young patients are significant, based on the loss of productivity and long-term care.<sup>6</sup>



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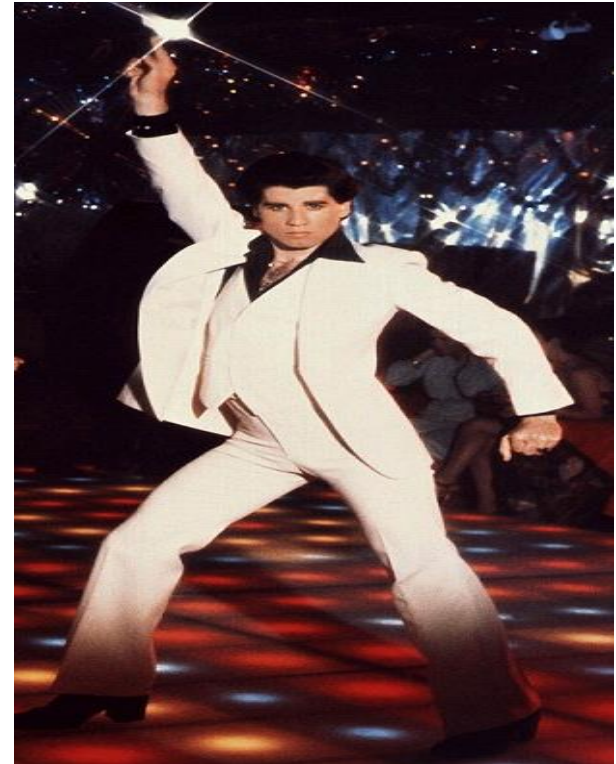
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# RESPECT Trial

- Randomized, event-driven, open-label trial with blinded endpoint adjudication
- Patients randomized 1:1 to AMPLATZER™ PFO Occluder (device) vs. guideline-directed medical management (MM)
- 980 subjects enrolled from 2003 to 2011
- 69 sites in U.S. and Canada

# Amplatzer PFO occluder



# Technology

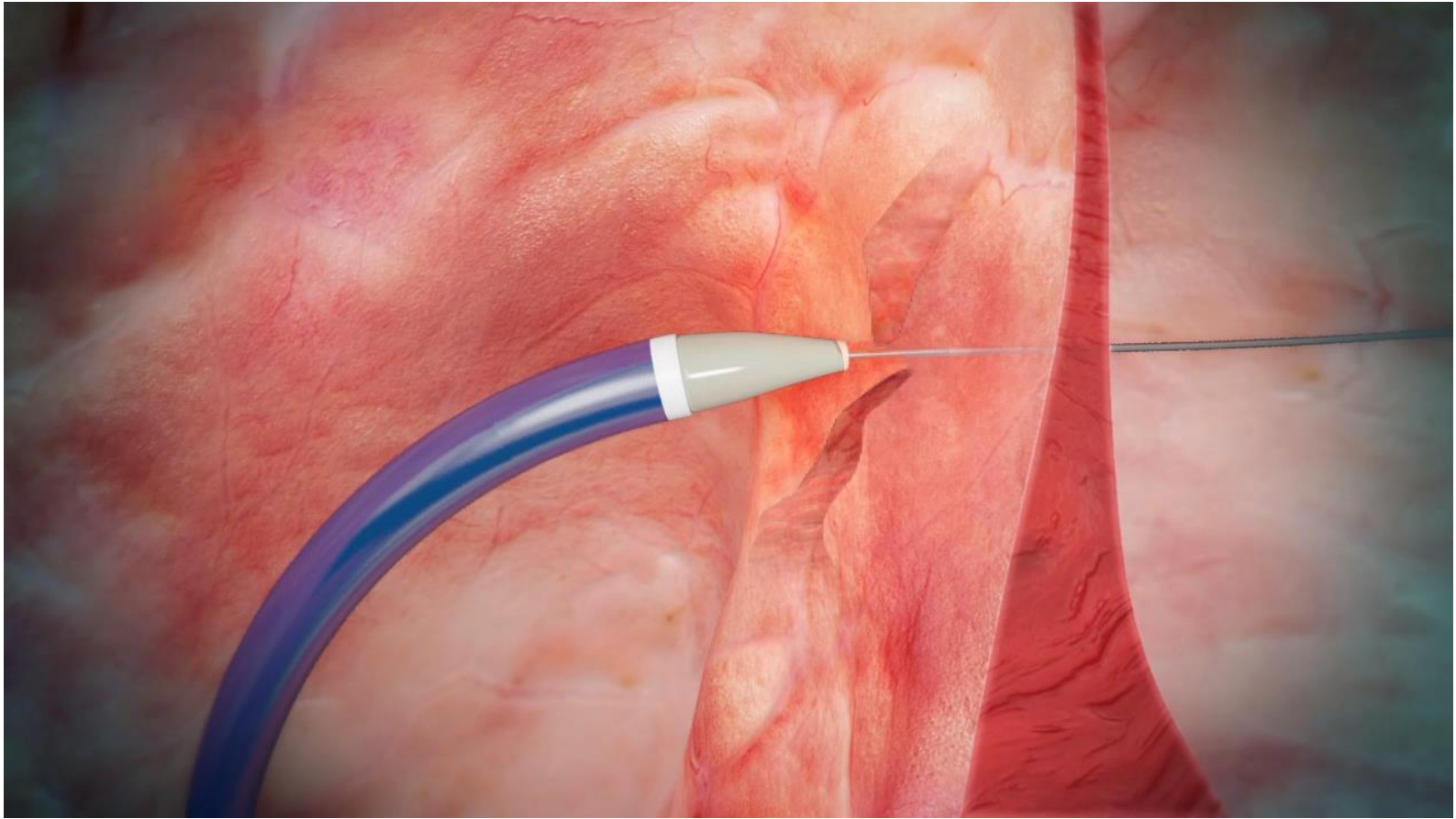
- **Self-expandable double disc device** lined with **thin polyester fabric** and linked together by a short connecting **waist**
- **Nitinol** wire mesh
- **Recapturable, repositionable**
- **Self-centering**
- Distal and proximal **radiopaque marker bands**
- **MR conditional**
- **End screw** to facilitate optimal handling

## Current status:

- Initial **CE-Mark in 1998**; currently available in > 80 countries worldwide
- **FDA Approval** October 2016



# Deployment



# Enrollment Criteria

## Key Inclusion Criteria

- Cryptogenic stroke within last 9 months
- TEE-confirmed PFO
- 18-60 years
  - Patients > 60 at higher risk of recurrent stroke from non-PFO mechanisms

## Key Exclusion Criteria

- Stroke due to identified cause such as:
  - Large vessel atherosclerosis (e.g., carotid stenosis)
  - Atrial fibrillation
  - Intrinsic small vessel disease (lacunar infarcts)
  - 11 other specific etiologies
- Inability to discontinue anticoagulation

# Baseline Characteristics Balanced Between Groups

Characteristic	AMPLATZER™ PFO Occluder (N=499)	Medical Management (N=481)
Age (yr), mean ± SD	48 ± 10	46 ± 10
Male	54%	56%
Hypercholesterolemia	39%	41%
Family h/o CAD	33%	33%
Hypertension	32%	32%
COPD	0.8%	1.5%
Congestive heart failure	0.6%	0%
History of DVT	4.0%	3.1%
Atrial septal aneurysm	36%	35%
Substantial shunt	50%	48%

# Procedural Results and Follow-up

- **Technical Success\***      **99.1%**
- **Procedural Success\*\***   **96.1%**
- **Mean Follow-up:**        **5.9 years (0-12 years)**
  - Device
    - Mean 6.3 years; Total 3141 patient-years
  - Medical Management
    - Mean 5.5 years; Total 2669 patient-years

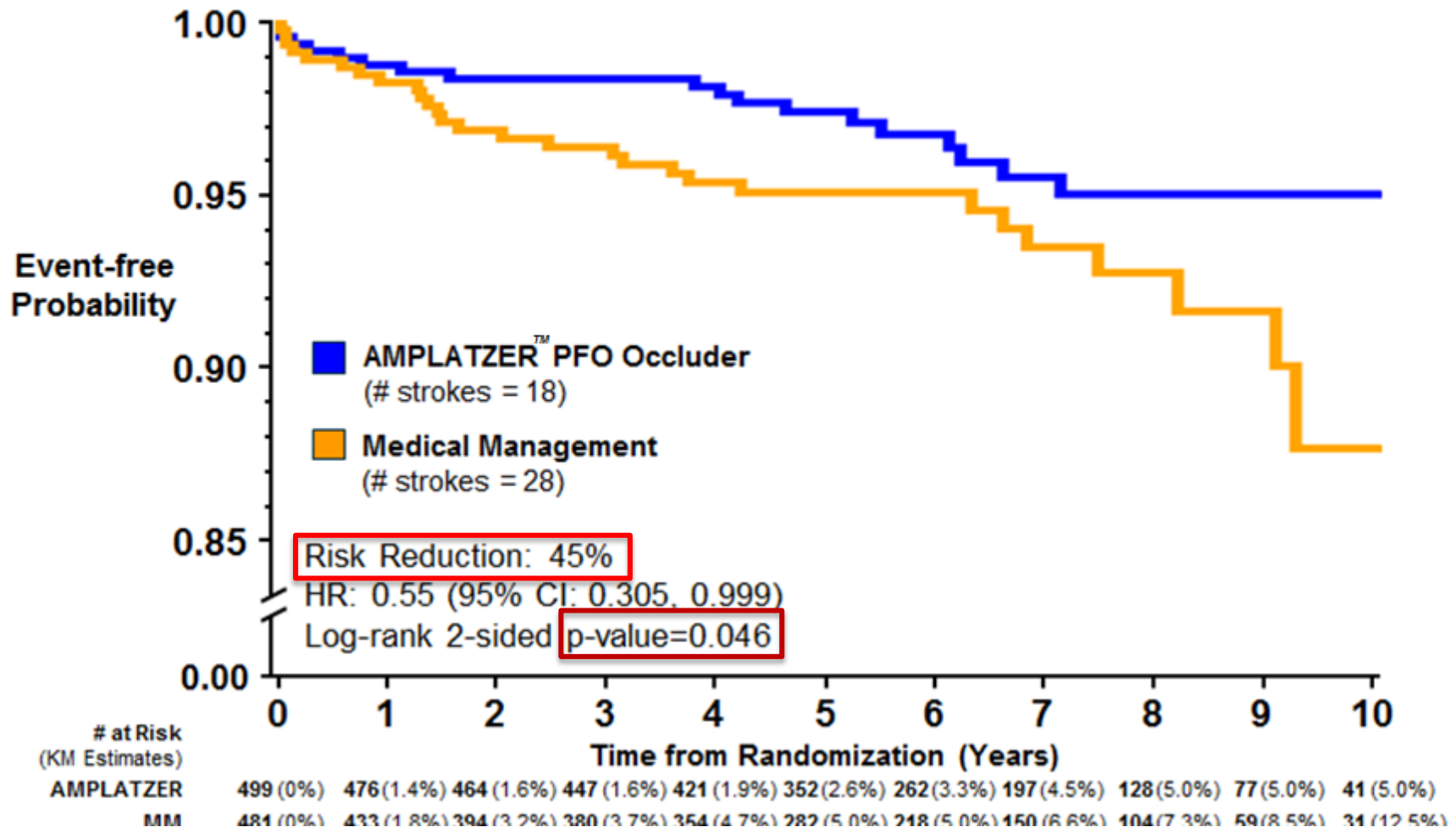
\*Delivery and release of the device

\*\*Implantation without in-hospital SAE



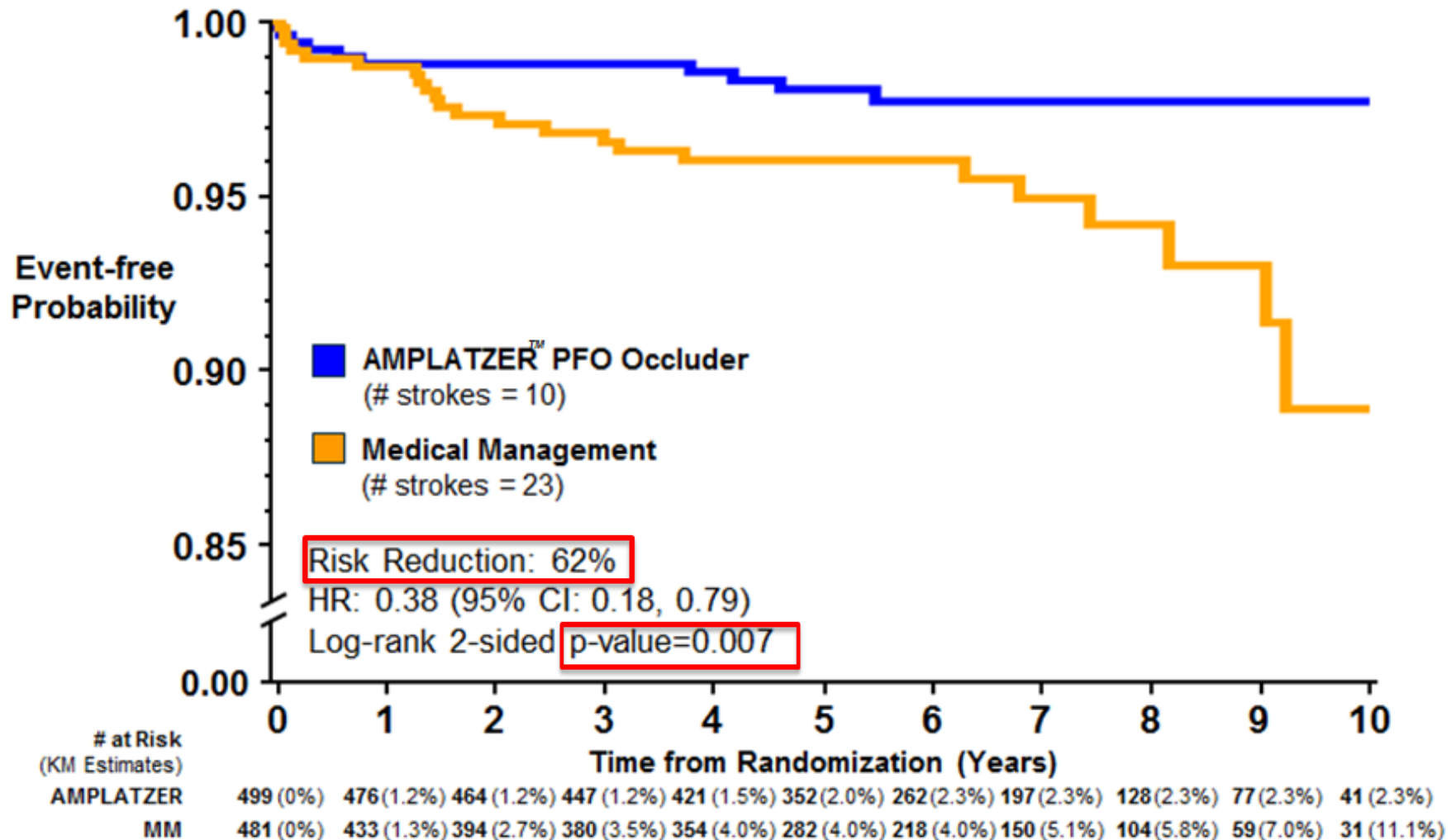
# RESPECT Final Results

## *Freedom from Recurrent Ischemic Stroke (Intention to Treat)*



# RESPECT Final Results

## Freedom from Recurrent Ischemic Stroke of Unknown Mechanism (Intention to Treat)



# DSMB Adjudicated Procedure or Device Related SAEs

- No intra-procedural strokes
- No device embolization
- No device thrombosis
- No device erosion
- Major vascular complications (0.9%) and device explants (0.4%)

# FDA Approval 10/28/16

The **AMPLATZER™ PFO Occluder** is indicated for percutaneous transcatheter closure of a patent foramen ovale (PFO) to reduce the risk of recurrent ischemic stroke in patients, predominantly between the ages of 18 and 60 years, who have had a cryptogenic stroke due to a presumed paradoxical embolism, as determined by a neurologist and cardiologist following an evaluation to exclude known causes of ischemic stroke.



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Re: P120021

Trade Device Name: AMPLATZER PFO Occluder

Filed: November 30, 2012

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Product Code: MLV

Dear Rashmi Bhatnagar:

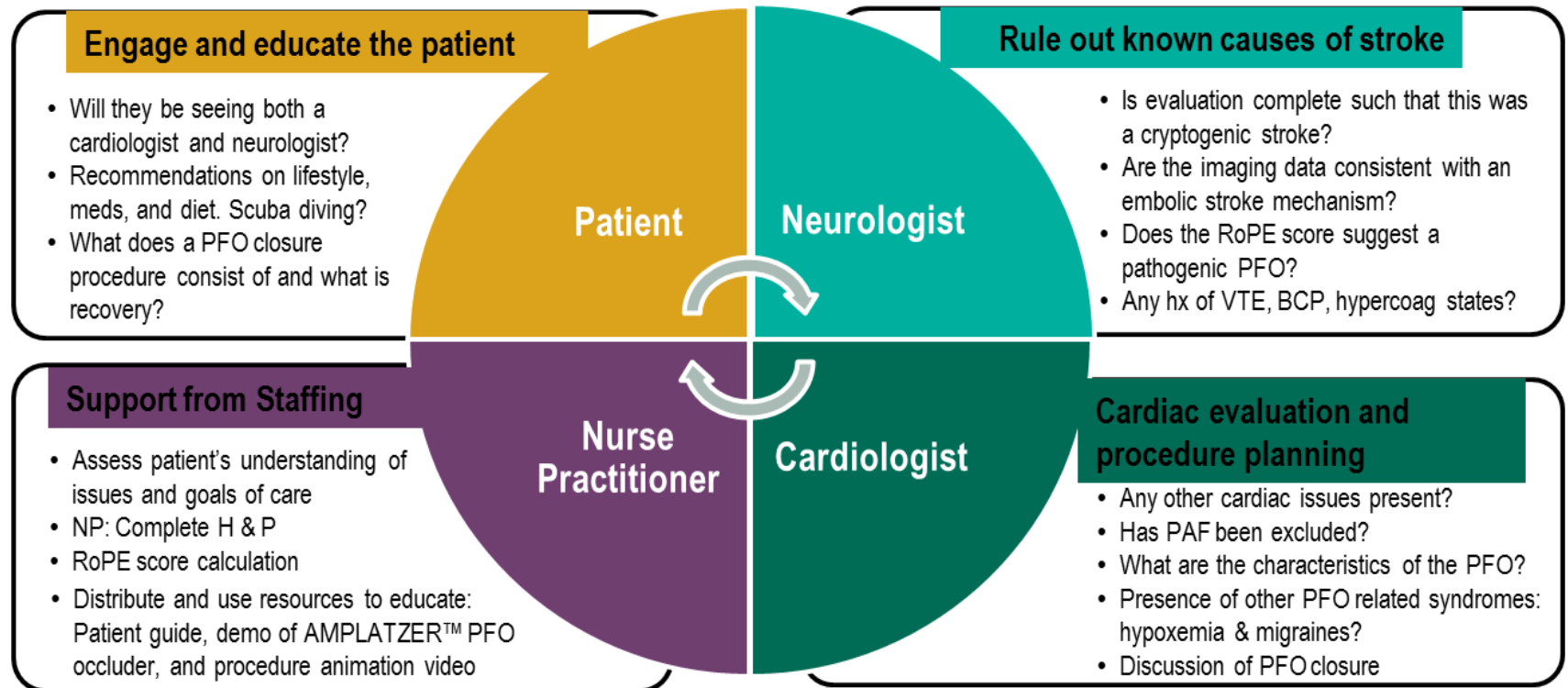
The Center for Devices and Radiological Health (CDRH) of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has completed its review of your premarket approval application (PMA) for the AMPLATZER PFO Occluder. This device is indicated for percutaneous transcatheter closure of a patent foramen ovale (PFO) to reduce the risk of recurrent ischemic stroke in patients, predominantly between the ages of 18 and 60 years, who have had a cryptogenic stroke due to a presumed paradoxical embolism, as determined by a neurologist and cardiologist following an evaluation to exclude known causes of ischemic stroke. We are pleased to inform you that the PMA is approved. You may begin commercial distribution of the device in accordance with the conditions of approval described below.

# Best Practice: A PFO Clinic\*

## Fulfilling the goal of shared decision-making

### Heart-Brain Team

- **Prior to seeing Patient:** Review brain imaging and TTE/TEE to share key findings with each other
- **Discussion with Patient and Family:** Provide a joint consultation as a multidisciplinary team with both clinicians providing their assessment, recommendations, and answering questions and concerns

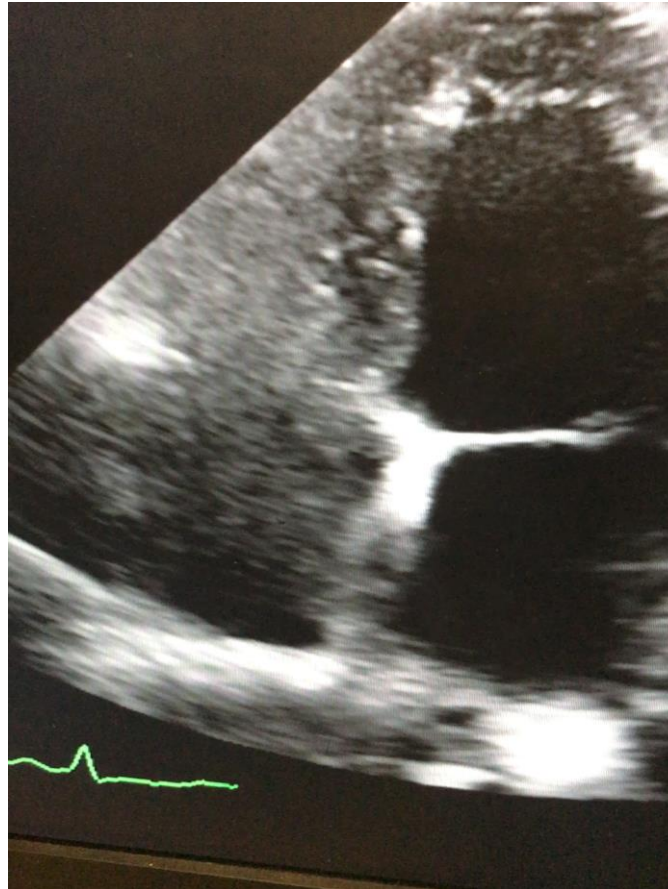


# RoPE Score

## (Risk of paradoxical embolism) Score

<b>TABLE 1. RoPE SCORE CALCULATOR</b>		
<b>Characteristic</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Score</b>
No history of hypertension	1	
No history of diabetes	1	
No history of stroke or TIA	1	
Nonsmoker	1	
Cortical infarct on imaging	1	
<b>Age (y)</b>		
18–29	5	
30–39	4	
40–49	3	
50–59	2	
60–69	1	
≥ 70	0	
<b>Total score (sum of individual points)</b>		
Maximum score (a patient < 30 y without vascular risk factors, no history of stroke or TIA, and cortical infarct)		10
Minimum score (a patient ≥ 70 y with vascular risk factors, prior stroke, and no cortical infarct)		0

# Post Closure Echo



- Pt treated with ASA and Plavix post-procedure. Eliquis discontinued.
- PFO closure is now FDA approved for the prevention of recurrent stroke in patients with cryptogenic stroke from presumed paradoxical embolism.
- Careful decision making by the heart brain team is necessary to achieve the most optimal results



**Thank you!**

