

# Protected TAVR

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What do we know

At least 50% of stroke after TAVI are periprocedural

Disabling stroke impacts hospital stay, quality of life and survival

Risk creep related to the decrease of stroke rates

75-99% of debris captured in filter-based CEP post TAVI

Inconclusive data about the clinical impact of CEP

# SENTINEL Cerebral Embolic Protection Device



- Two independent filters capture & remove embolic material
- Polyurethane filter, pore size = 140  $\mu\text{m}$
- Standard right trans-radial sheath access (6F)
- One size accommodates most vessel sizes; fits ~90% of anatomies
- Deflectable compound-curve catheter facilitates cannulation of LCC
- Minimal profile in aortic arch (little interaction with other devices)



- 3 out of the 4 cerebral vessels are protected  
 (left vertebral artery circulation is unprotected)



ORIGINAL ARTICLE

## Cerebral Embolic Protection during Transcatheter Aortic-Valve Replacement

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# PROTECTED TAVR Study

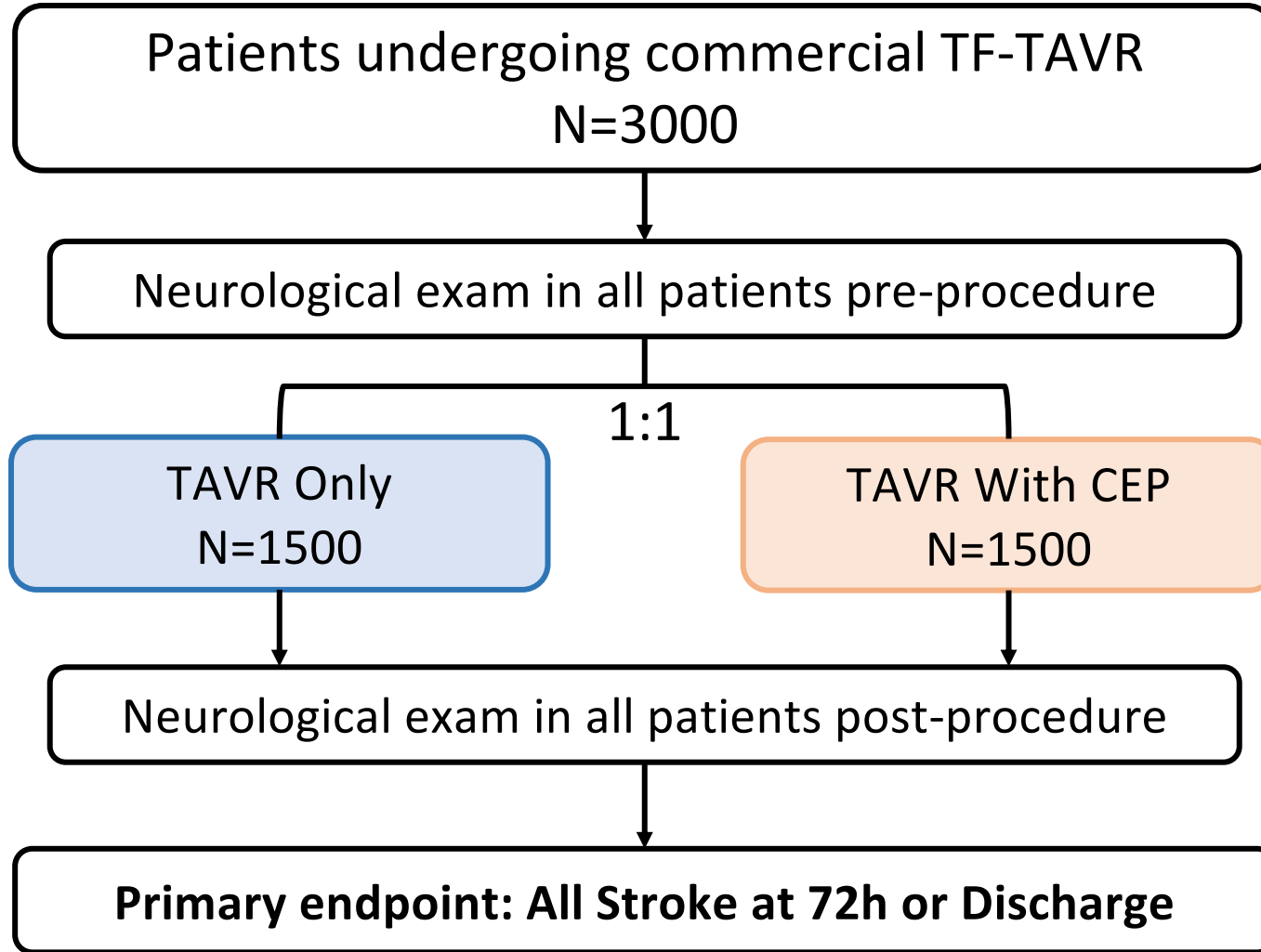
## OBJECTIVE

**To study whether clinical stroke in transfemoral TAVR is reduced with CEP, across all risk groups and all commercially available devices**

## DESIGN

**Prospective, post-market, multicenter randomized controlled trial at 51 centers in North America, Europe, and Australia**

# PROTECTED TAVR Study Design



- Patients of all risk categories eligible
- Any commercially available TAVR device

## Neurological examination

- At baseline
- Discharge or 72 hours after TAVR (whichever comes first)
- Performed by a neurology professional
- mRS, NIHSS, MoCA, CAM-ICU

- Adaptive study design with interim analysis at 70% enrollment

# Baseline Demographics

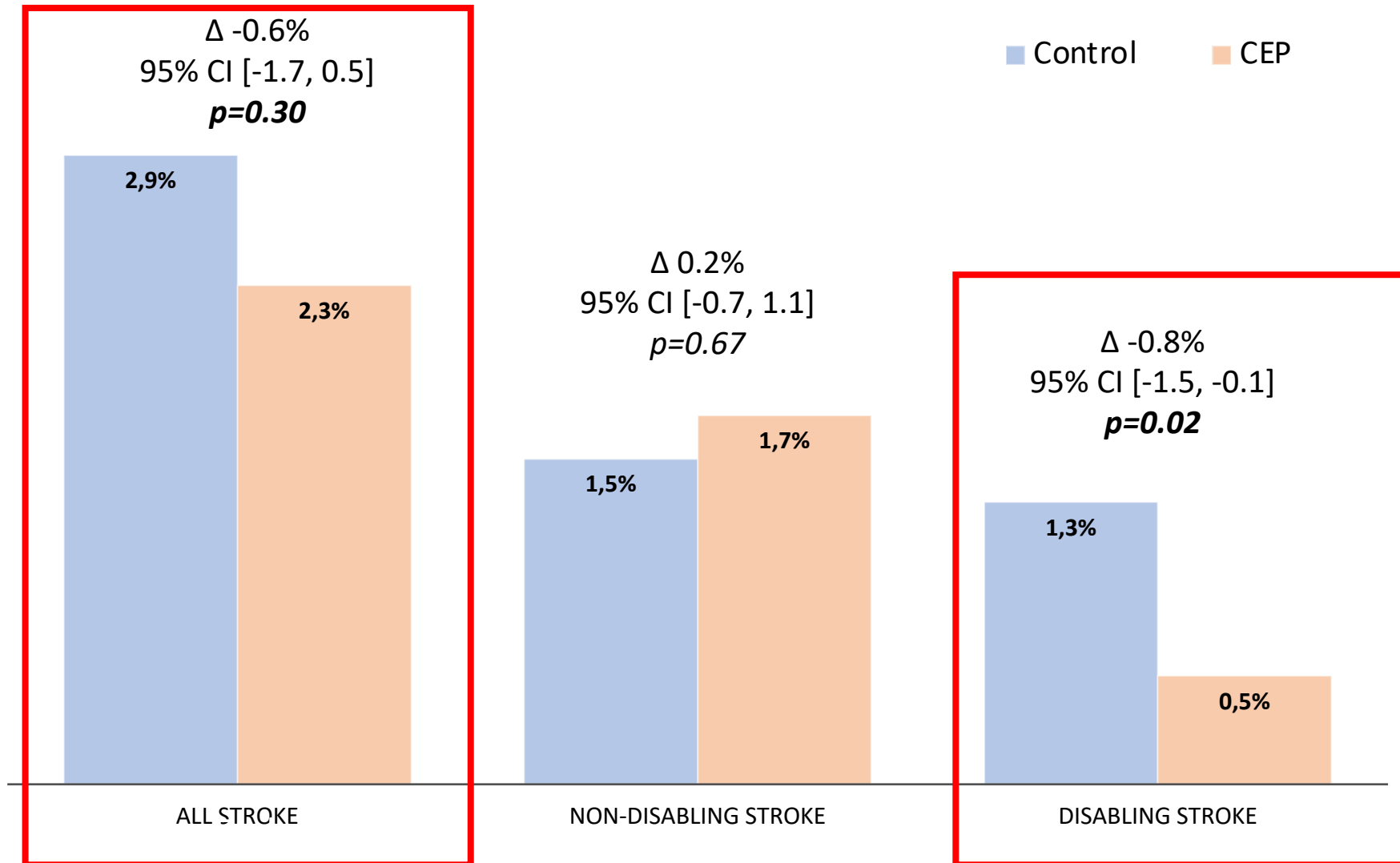
	Control (N=1499)	CEP (N=1501)
Age (years)	78.9±7.8	78.9±8.0
Female Sex	37.8%	42.0%
Society of Thoracic Surgeons score, %	3.4±2.8	3.3±2.7
STS score <3%	58.2%	55.6%
Surgical Risk (per Heart Team)		
Extreme/High Risk	30.4%	30.4%
Intermediate Risk	34.2%	33.2%
Low risk	35.4%	36.3%
Native Valve Calcification Severity (site-reported)		
None/Mild	15.2%	16.2%
Moderate	29.5%	29.4%
Severe/Extreme	55.3%	54.4%
CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASC score	4.2±1.3	4.2±1.3



# Procedural Characteristics

	Control (N=1499)	CEP (N=1501)
<b>Anesthesia</b>		
General Anesthesia	26.4%	26.8%
Local or Conscious Sedation	73.6%	73.2%
<b>Valve Anatomy</b>		
Tricuspid Valve	89.5%	87.5%
Bicuspid Valve	8.1%	8.7%
Bio-prosthesis	2.5%	3.7%
<b>Prosthetic Valve Type</b>		
Balloon Expandable Valve	63.7%	64.3%
Non-Balloon Expandable Valve	36.3%	35.7%
<b>Balloon Dilatation</b>		
Pre-dilatation	41.9%	38.5%
Post-dilatation	25.7%	26.2%

# Primary Endpoint: All Stroke at 72h / Discharge

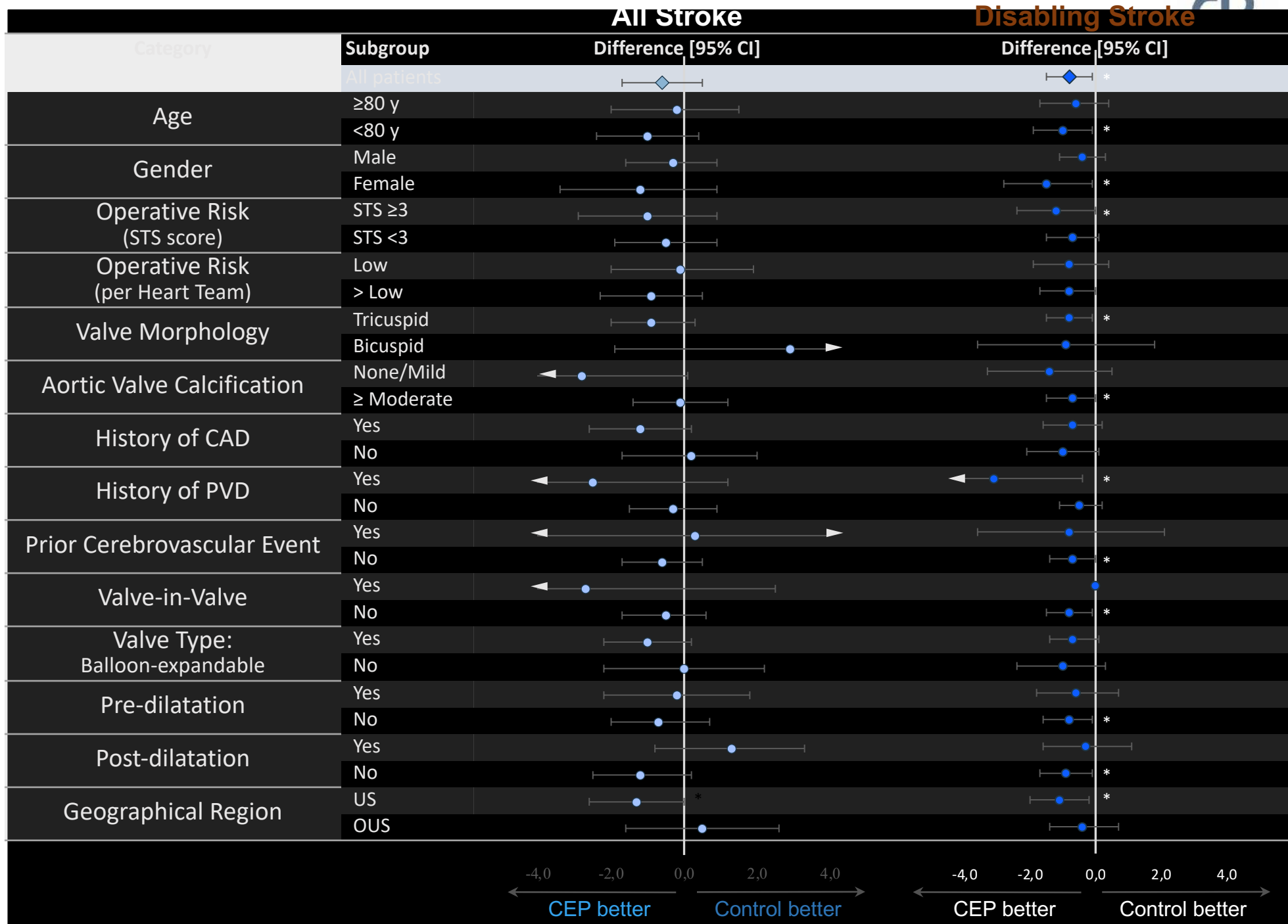


# Clinical Outcomes at 72h / Discharge

Event at $\leq 72h$ / Discharge ITT population	Control (N=1499)	CEP (N=1501)
All-cause Mortality	0.3% (4)	0.5% (8)
Cardiovascular Mortality	0.3% (4)	0.5% (8)
Safety composite (all-cause mortality and stroke)	3.0% (45)	2.7% (41)
CEP Access Site-related Vascular Complication (Major or Minor)	N/A	0.1% (1)
Acute Kidney Injury (stage 2 or 3)	0.5% (7)	0.5% (8)

Note: A per-protocol analysis for the primary endpoint and other outcomes yielded similar results to those in the ITT population.

# Subgroup Analyses



# Conclusions

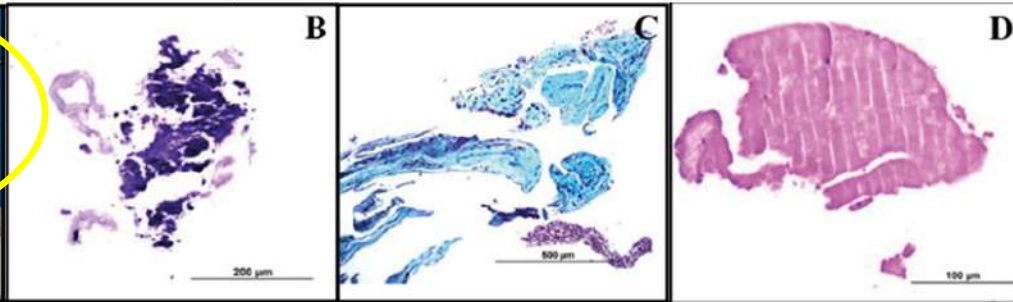
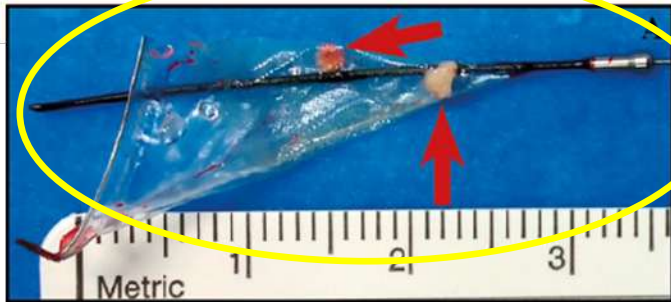
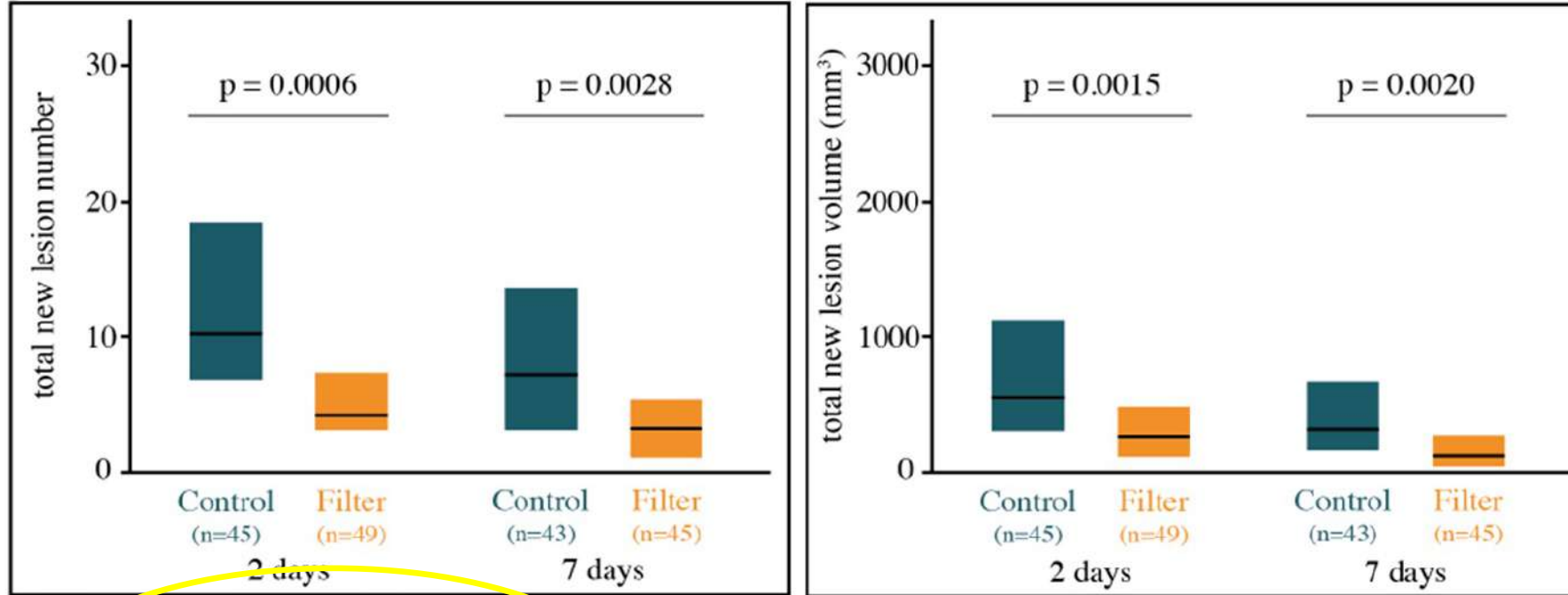
- Use of Sentinel CEP was feasible in 94.4% of attempted patients and was safe, with no major complications
- Use of CEP did not reduce overall periprocedural stroke
- Fewer disabling strokes were observed with CEP, but non-significant
- No specific subgroups were identified which strongly favored CEP use for overall stroke reduction

# Limitations

- Trial design was practical in order to facilitate enrollment and data collection
  - As a consequence, the study was restricted to **a small number of endpoints with only short-term follow-up**
- The study was **not powered to detect a treatment difference for disabling stroke**

# CEP Reduce Lesion Number And Volume (by MRI)

## Total Lesion Number and Total Lesion Volume



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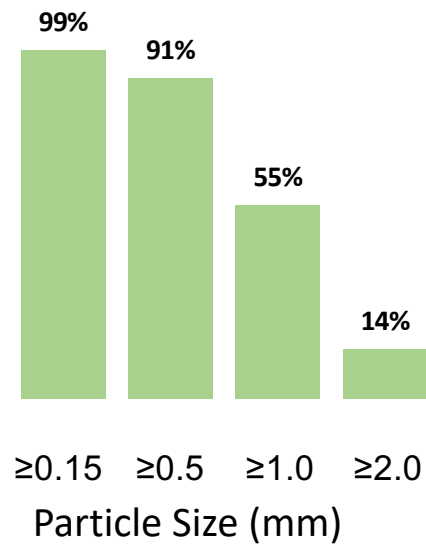
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# Sentinel Cerebral Protection System

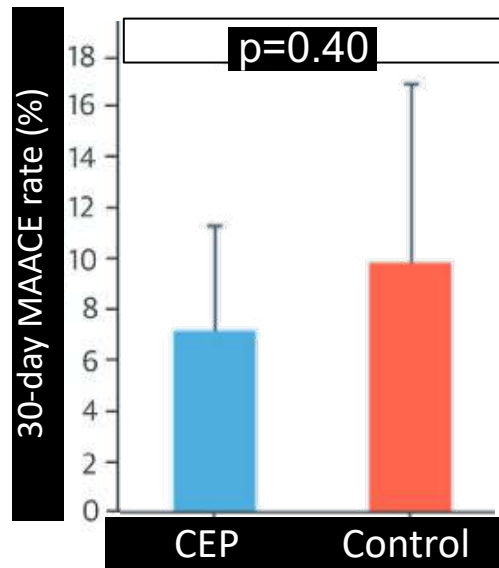
## Sentinel IDE Trial : 363 patients randomized 2:1 to TAVR with or without CEP

Captured debris in  
99% of patients

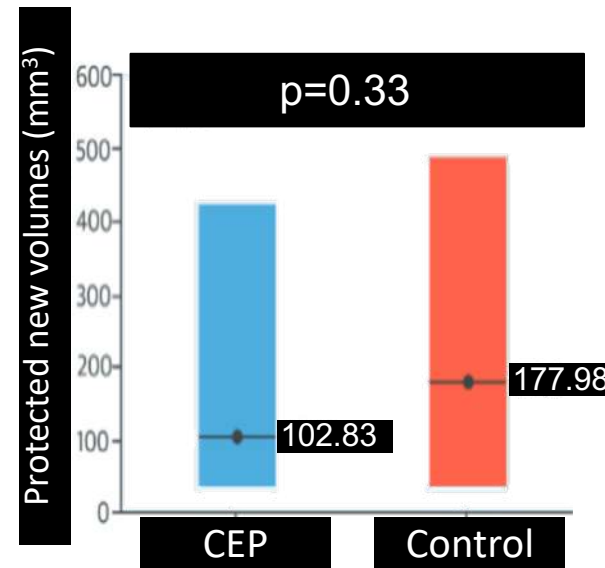
Patients with at least one  
particle of given size (%)



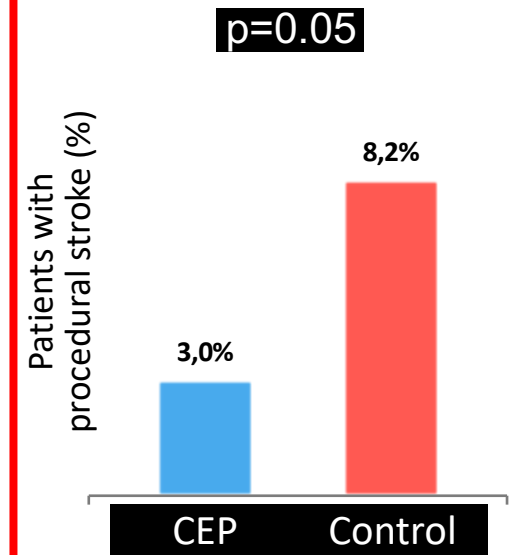
Device was safe  
(No increase in  
30-day MAACE)



New cerebral lesion  
volume reduction  
(No statistical difference)



Reduced stroke  
72 hours post-TAVR<sup>2</sup>  
(Post-hoc analysis)





# Is Protected-TAVR likely to change my practice?

- **No** systematic use
- CPDs are safe and might have the potential to reduce major strokes.
- Need for properly powered studies
- Use in highly selected patients
- Cost is an issue

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