

Options for Atrial Fibrillation Management

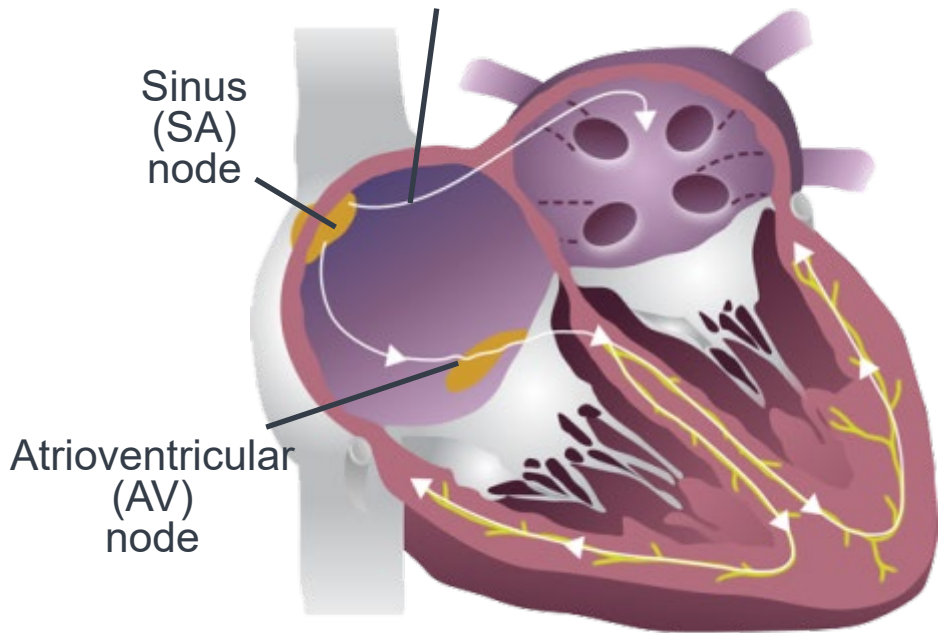
ABLATION AND LEFT ATRIAL APPENDAGE CLOSURE

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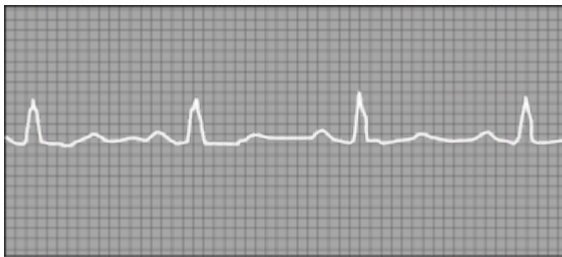
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Atrial Fibrillation

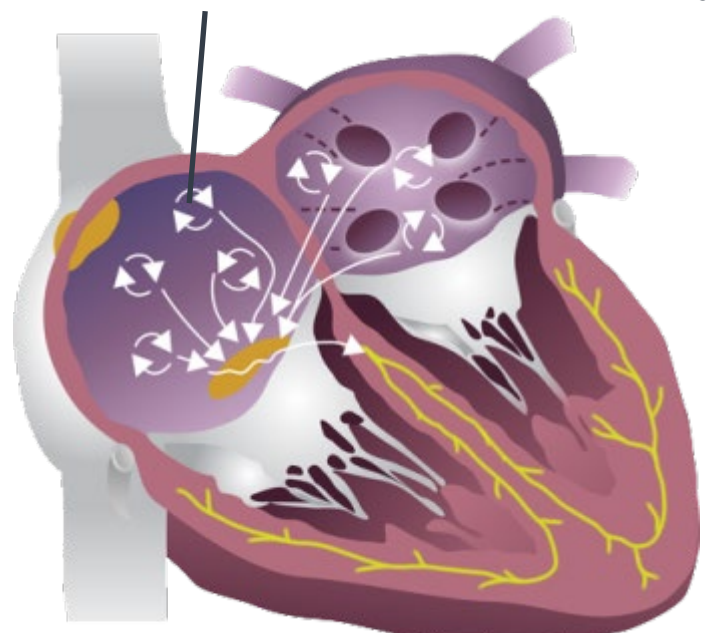
Normal electrical pathways



Normal sinus rhythm



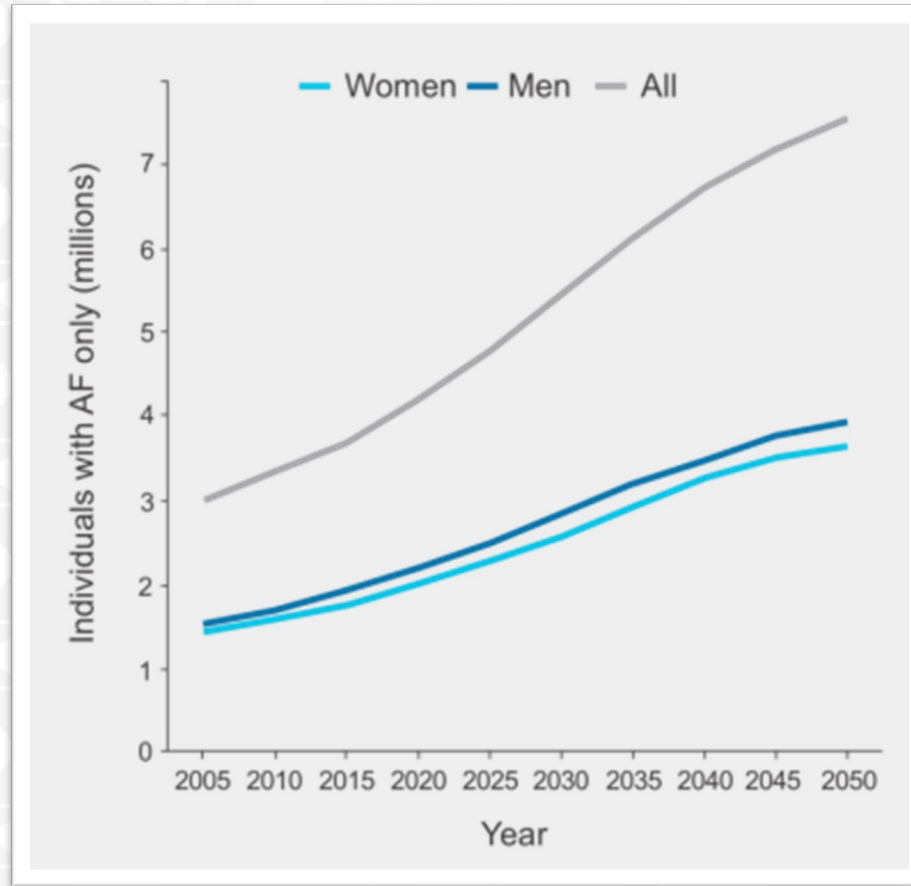
Abnormal electrical pathways



Atrial fibrillation



AF Prevalence Is Large and Growing



- US AF Prevalence is estimated at > 3.5¹ million people and is predicted to double by 2035¹
- Age-adjusted AF incidence is predicted to grow as a result of increased risk factors: obesity, hypertension, diabetes, and cardiovascular disease²

¹ Revised by DiCaccarelli, et al. Am J Cardiol. 2008;101:1000-1005.

² Miyasaka Y. Circulation. July 2006;114:2285-2292.

Atrial Fibrillation: Health Risks and Costs

- Negative impact on quality of life^{1,2}
- Leading cause of stroke: 5x increased risk³
- Increases risk of heart failure⁴ and dementia
- Increases US healthcare system costs:
\$12 billion estimated cost to treat AF⁵

¹ Singh SN, et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol.* 2006;48:721-730.

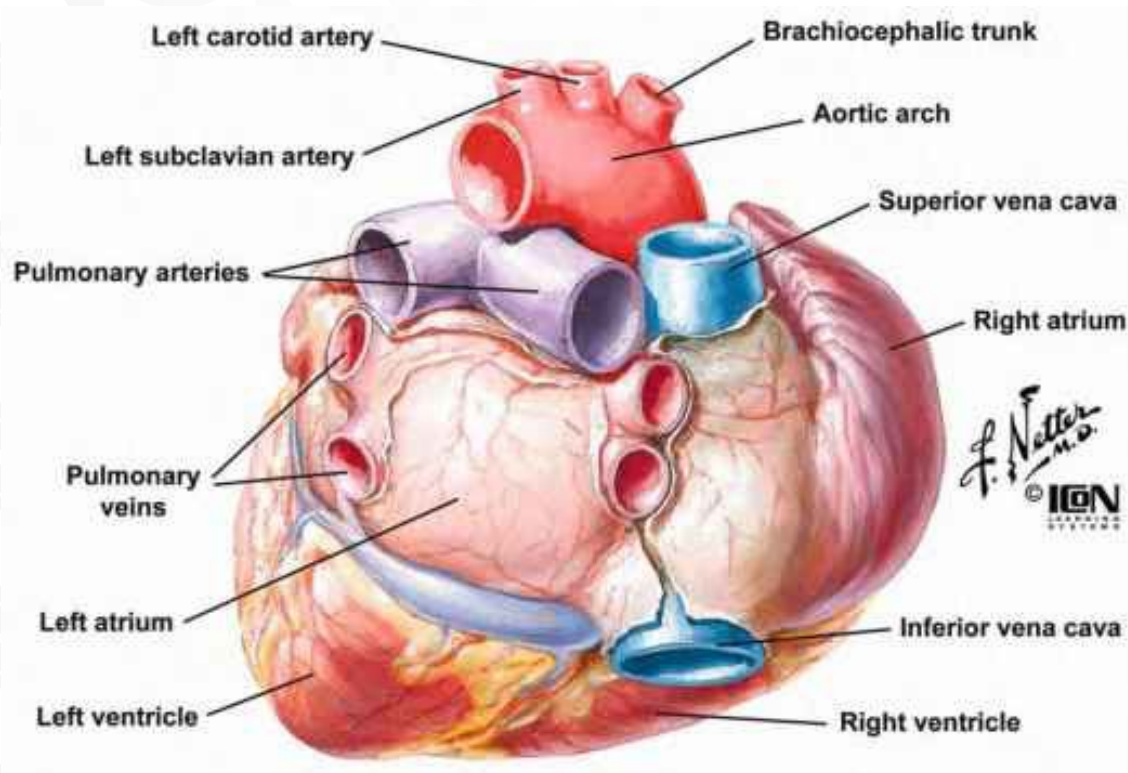
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³ Wolf PA, et al. *Stroke.* 1991;22:983-988.

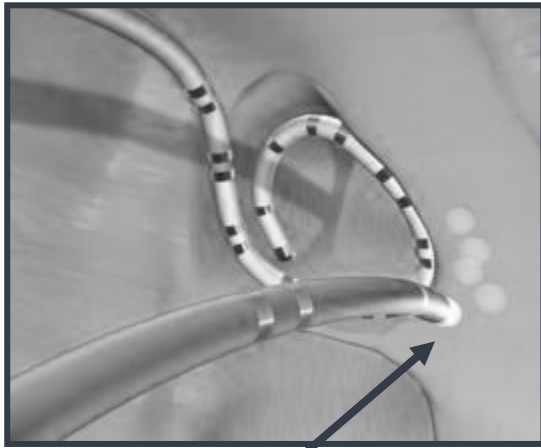
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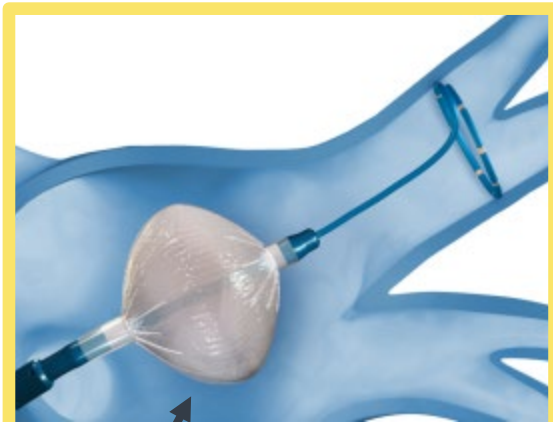
Pulmonary Vein Isolation



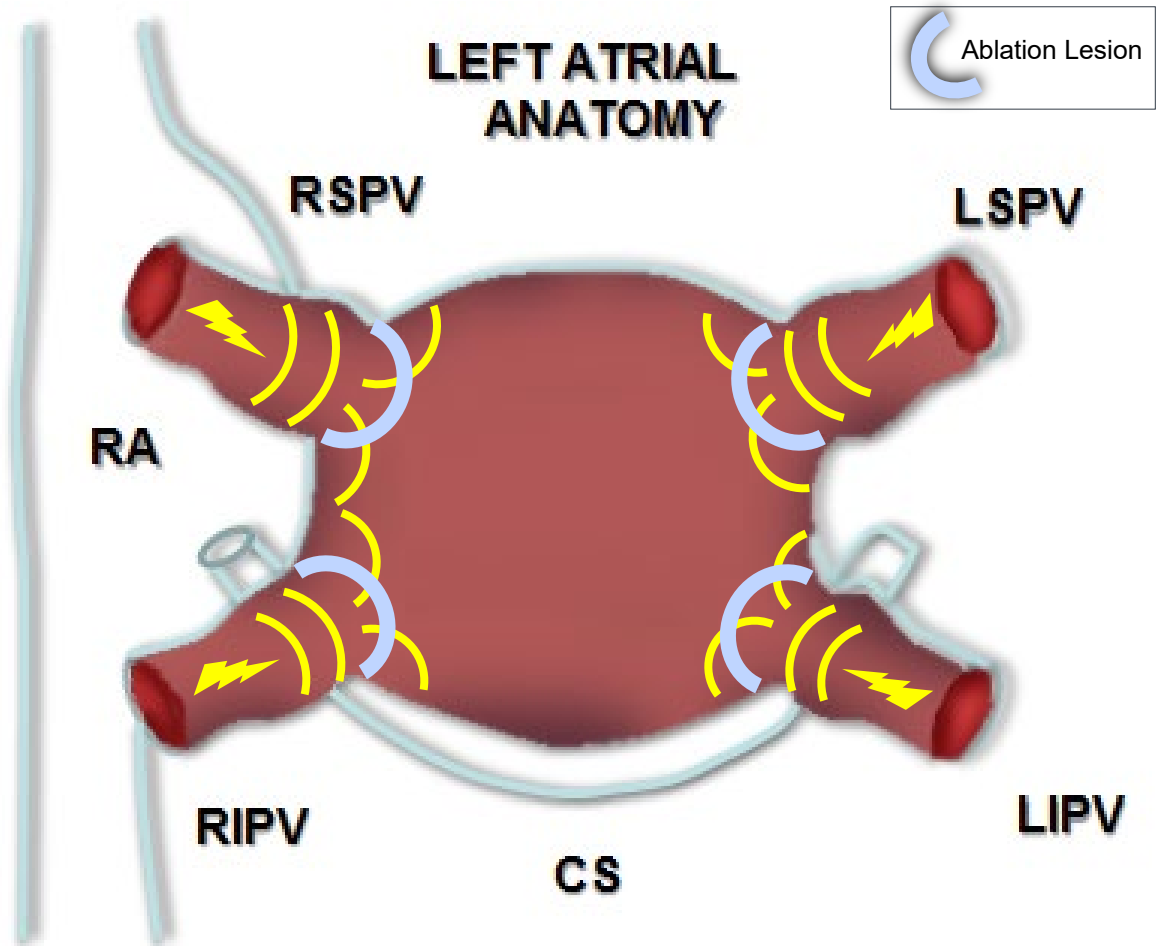
Ablation for Atrial Fibrillation: Pulmonary Vein Isolation



RF Ablation Catheter

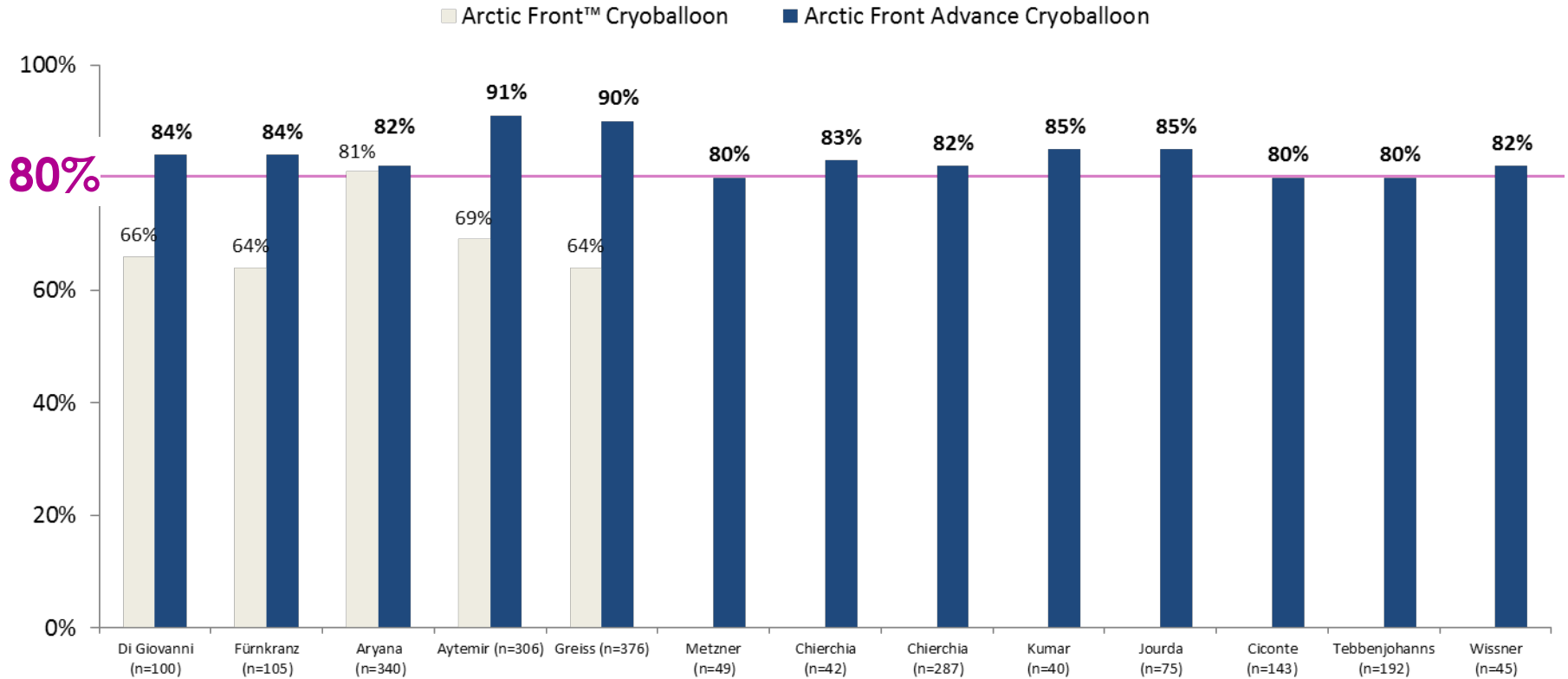


Cryoballoon Ablation Catheter



Single Procedure Freedom from Atrial Arrhythmia

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Arrhythmia monitoring methods and definition of procedure success (Freedom from AF Only or AF/AT/AFL) varied between studies.

Di Giovanni, et al. *J Cardiovasc Electrophysiol.* 2014; 25(8):834-9; Fürnkranz, et al. *Journal of Cardiovascular Electrophysiology.* 2014; 25(8):840-4; Aryana, et al. *J Interv Card Electrophysiol.* 2014; 41(2):177-186; Aytemir, et al. *Europace.* 2015; 17(3):379-87; Greiss, et al. *PACE.* 2015 Jul; 38(7):815-24; Metzner, et al. *Circ Arrhythm Electrophysiol.* 2014; 7(2):288-292; Chierchia, et al. *Europace.* 2014; Chierchia, et al. *J Cardiovasc Electrophysiol.* 2015; In Press; 16(5):639-644; Kumar et al. *J Interv Card Electrophysiol.* 2014; 41(1):91-7; Jourda, et al. *Europace.* 2015; 17(2):225-31; Ciconte, et al. *Heart Rhythm.* 2015; 12(4):673-80; Tebbenjohanns, et al. *Europace.* 2015; Wissner, et al. *Europace.* 2015 Aug; 17(8):1236-40

Factors Related to Treatment Success

PAROXYSMAL AF

Occurs for minutes or days at a time

PERSISTENT AF

Lasts for more than 7 days and will not correct on its own

PERMANENT AF

Is a consistently high, erratic heartbeat that cannot be

AF IS A PROGRESSIVE DISEASE¹



1. Left Atrial Size
2. Age
3. BMI
4. Structural Heart Disease
5. Sleep Apnea
6. ETOH

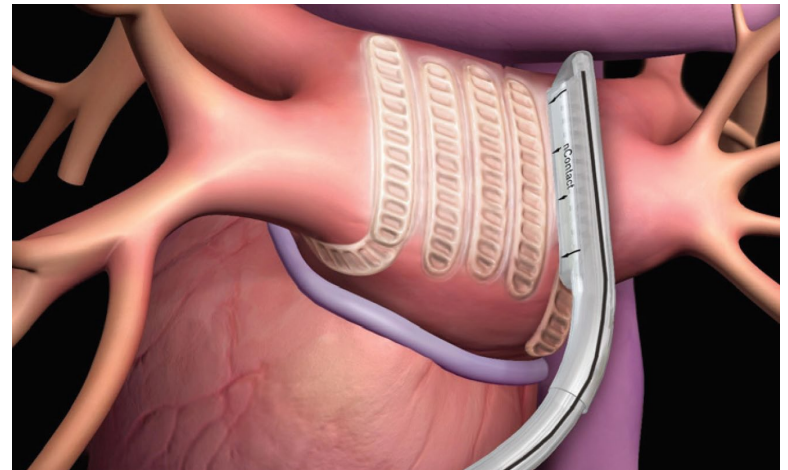
- The Convergent approach is a minimally invasive, comprehensive cardiac ablation that combines the expertise of cardiothoracic surgery AND electrophysiology

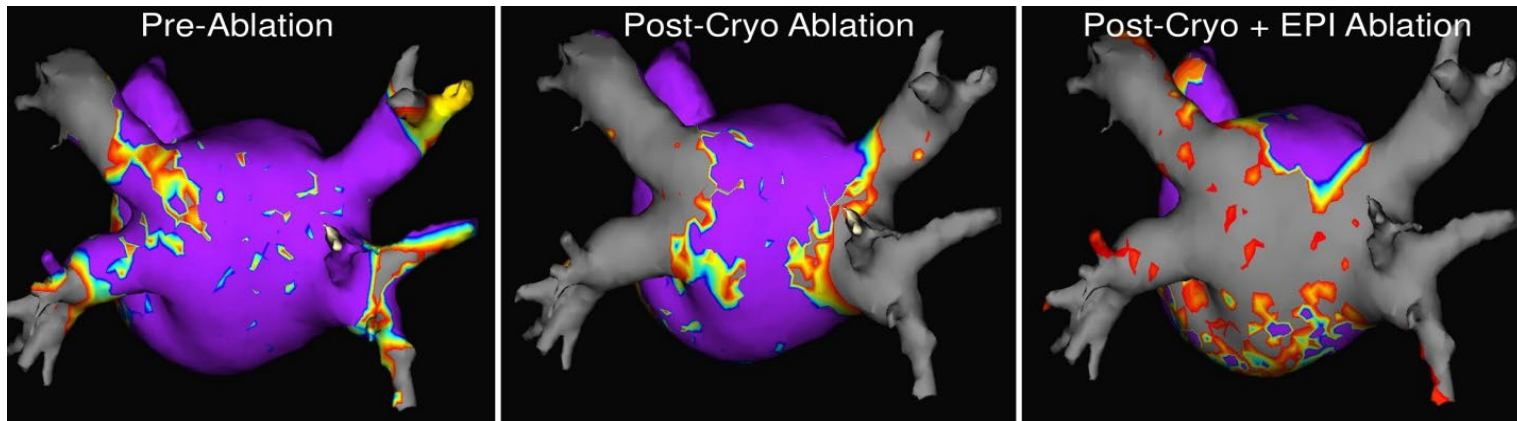
Who is the Ideal Candidate?

- Those who have symptomatic persistent or long-standing atrial fibrillation
- Those who have failed previous catheter treatments
- Those who have been ineffectively managed with antiarrhythmic drugs or cardioversion

Who is NOT an Ideal Candidate?

- Anyone who has had a previous open heart surgery such as heart bypass or valve surgery





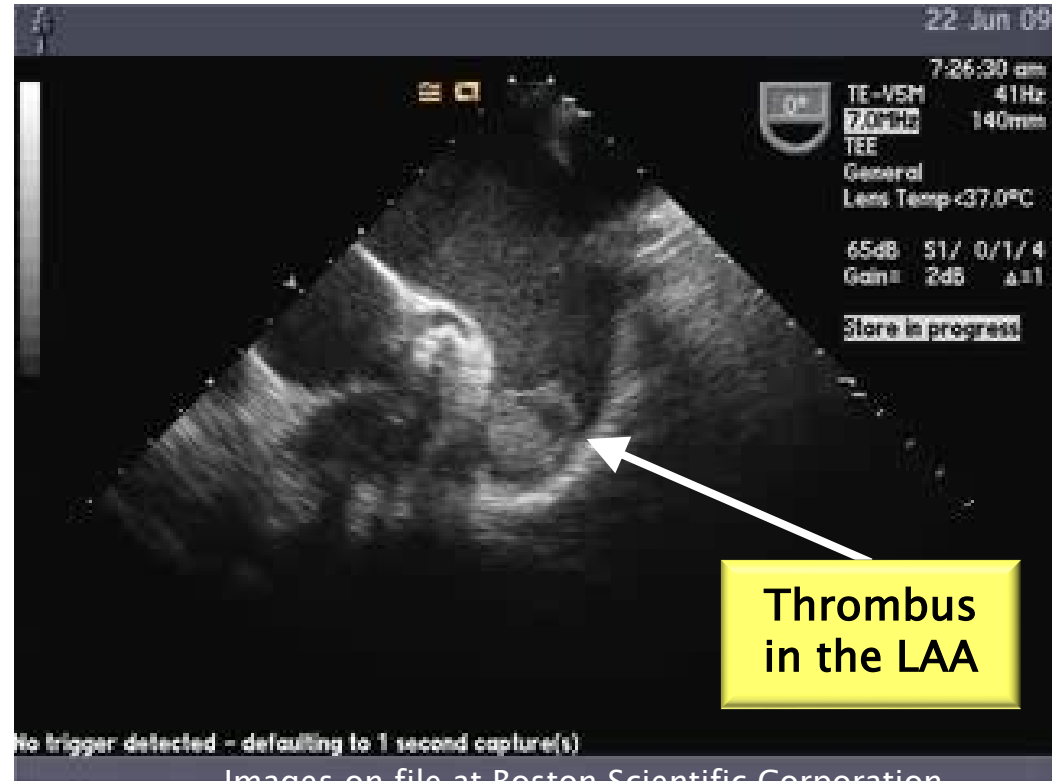
1 Makati, K. J., MD, Sherman, A., MD, Hogue, D., MS. Cryoballoon Ablation as the Endocardial Component in the Convergent Procedure: Single Center Outcomes: HRS 2015

2 Borut Gersak, MD, PhD, and Matevz Jan, MD. Long-Term Success for the Convergent Atrial Fibrillation Procedure: 4-Year Outcomes. Ann Thorac Surg 2016 by The Society of Thoracic Surgeons

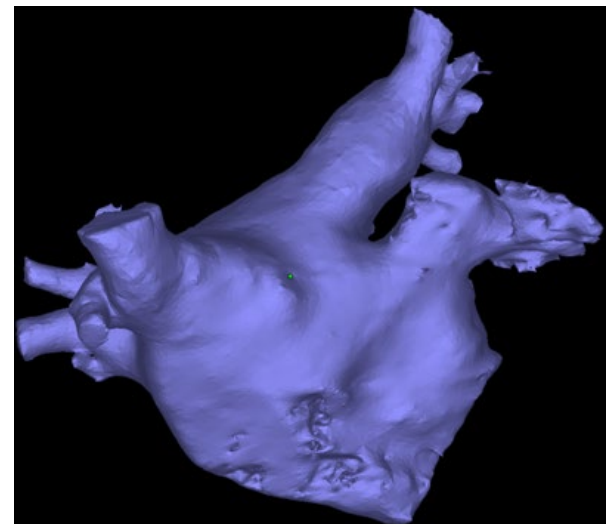
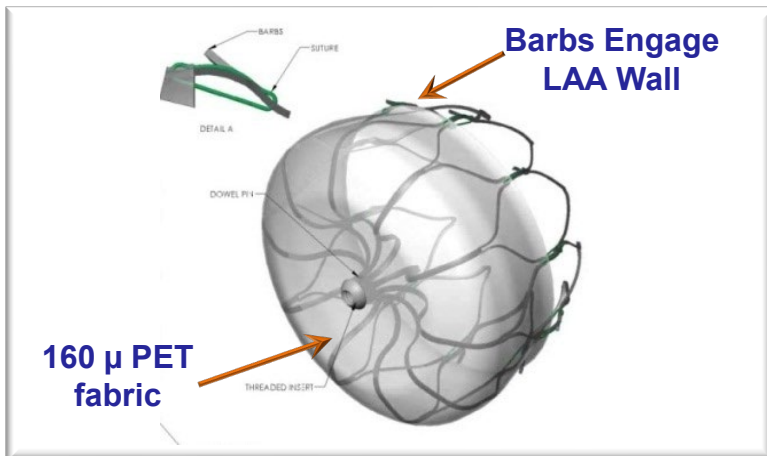
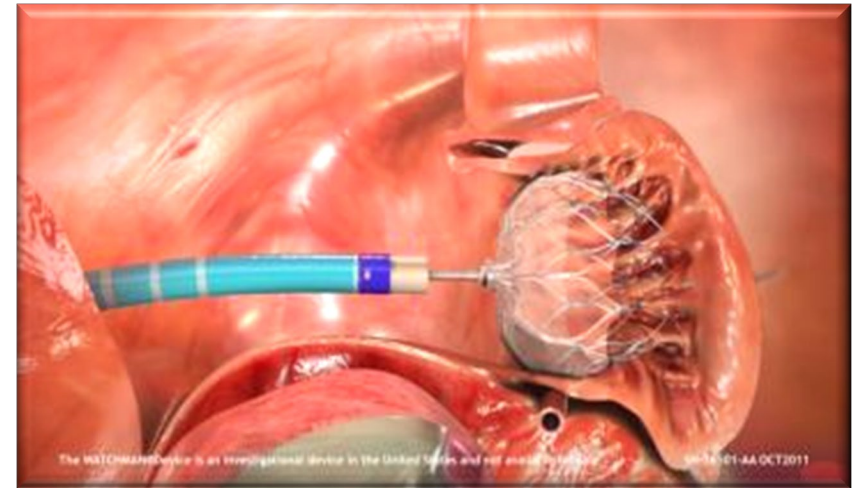
91% of stroke in AF is caused by blood clots that form in the left atrial appendage (LAA)¹

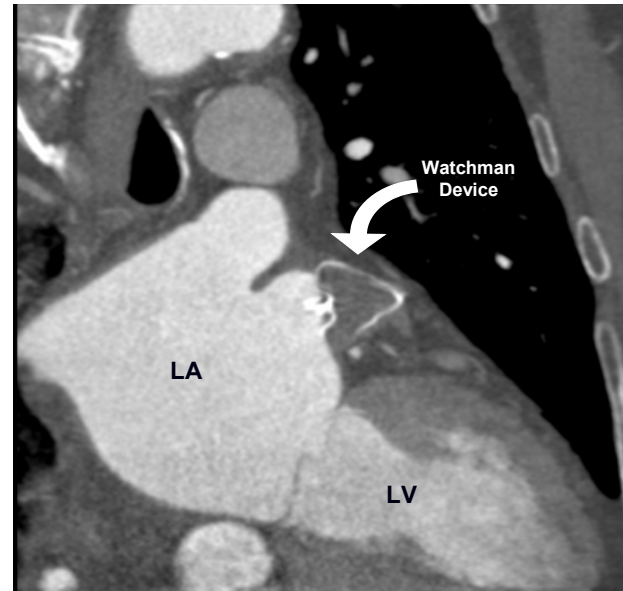
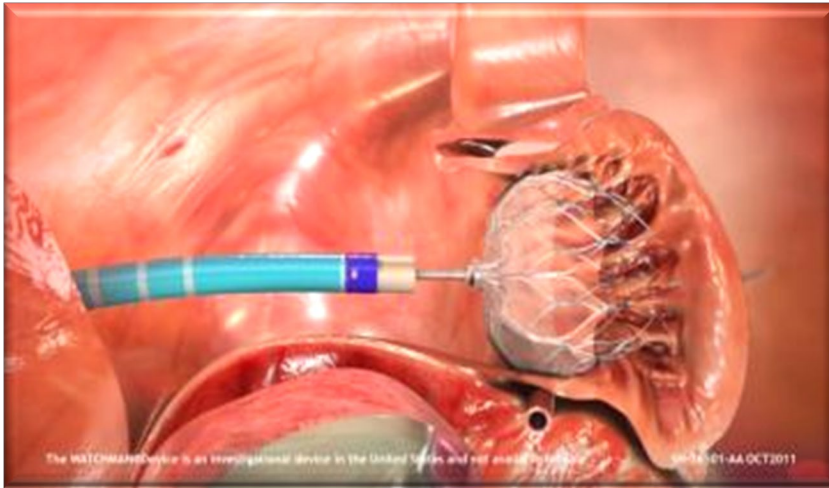
The stagnant blood becomes an ideal environment for a thrombus or blood clot to form

The blood clot, or portion of it, dislodges from the LAA and travels through arterial system



- Difficulties with Anticoagulant use
 - Frequent Monitoring
 - Difficulty in Compliance (TTR 48-63%)
 - Drug / Diet Interactions
 - Bleeding Risk (ICH)
 - Risks in Elderly (Falls, Poly-pharmacy)
- Autopsy & TEE data implicate LAA
- LAA Closure Devices

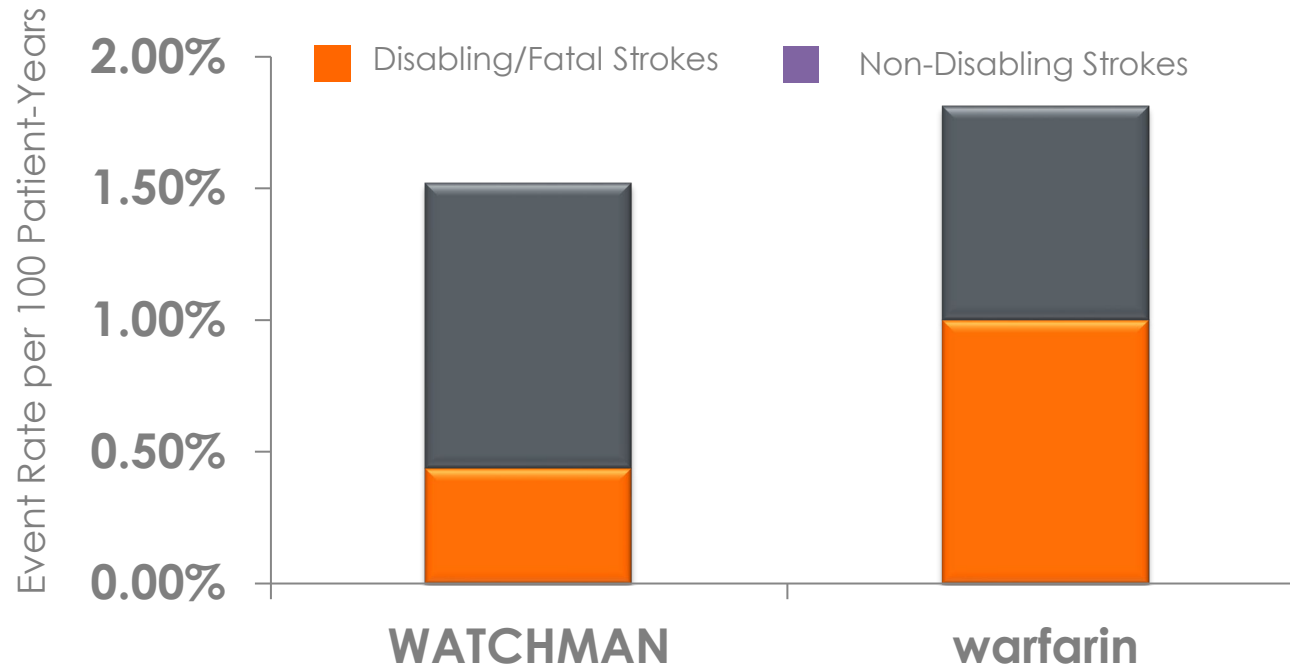




WATCHMAN is Proven to Reduce Disabling Strokes

At 5 years, WATCHMAN patients had a 55% lower relative risk of disabling or fatal strokes compared to patients treated with warfarin.

WATCHMAN Significant Reduction in Disabling Strokes

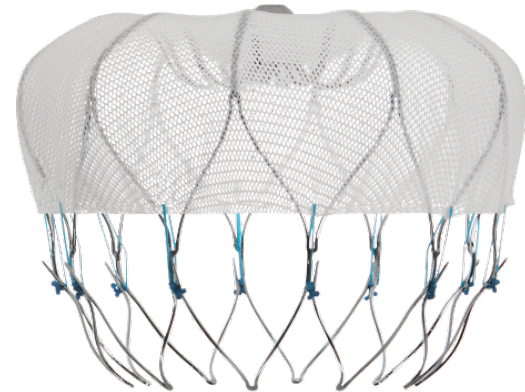


Improved Design

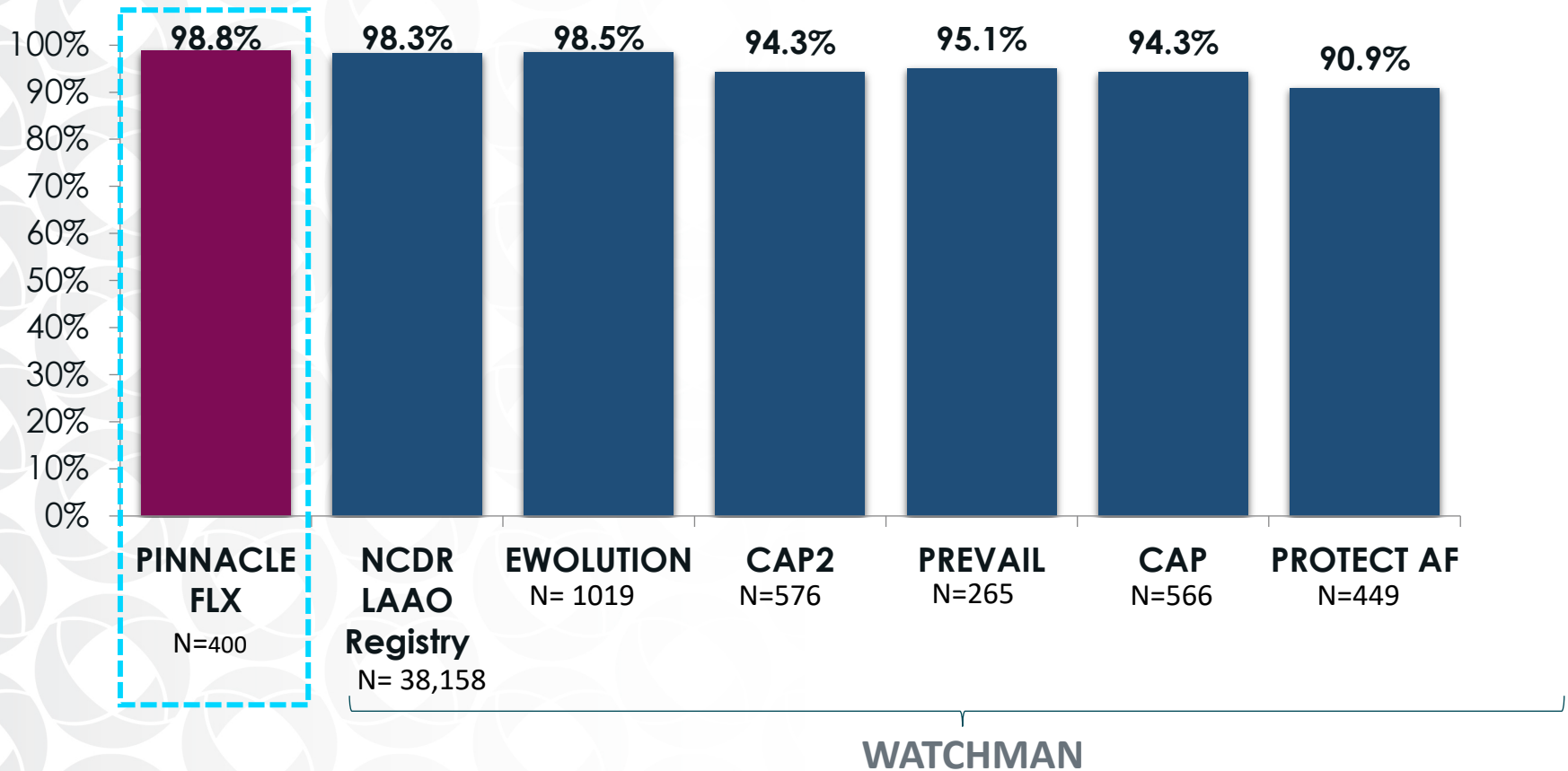
Watchman FLX



Watchman

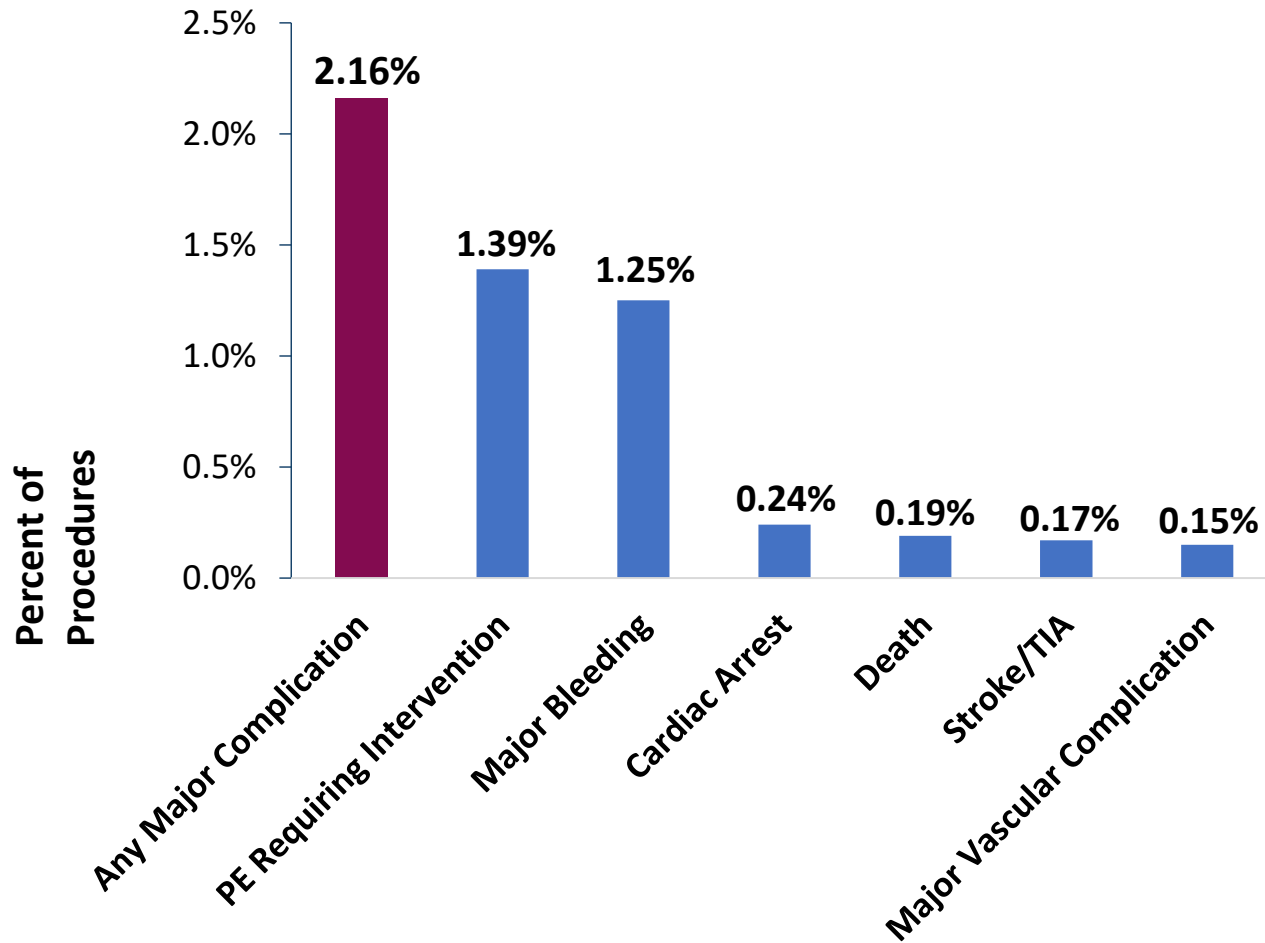


WATCHMAN has a High Procedural Success Rate



Major In-Hospital Adverse Events

NCDR LAAO Registry – A Review of the First Three Years



Despite the **high** risk patient profile, **safety** compared favorably with the pivotal trials

In-hospital major adverse event defined as death, cardiac arrest, stroke/TIA, ICH, SE, major bleeding, major vascular complication, myocardial infarction, PE requiring intervention, or device embolization

Roper St. Francis Watchman Safety

	Watchman 2.5 (n=311)		Watchman FLX (n=144)		Total (n=455)	
Within 7 days:						
Ischemic Stroke:	1	0.30%	0	0.00%	1	0.20%
Pericardial Effusion (Requiring Surgical Intervention)	1	0.30%	0	0.00%	1	0.20%
Pericardial Effusion (requiring percutaneous intervention)	3	0.96%	0	0%	3	0.66%
GI Bleed	2	0.60%	2	1.39%	4	0.88%
Device Related Thrombus	0		0		0	
Systemic thromboembolization (other than stroke)	0		0		0	
Intracranial Hemorrhage (other than hemorrhagic stroke)	0		0		0	
TIA	0		0		0	
Undetermined Stroke	0		0		0	
Hemorrhagic Stroke	0		0		0	
Hematoma	0		0		0	
Pulmonary Embolism	0		1	0.69%	1	0.20%
Composite of all-cause death, ischemic stroke, systemic embolism, or device/procedure-related events requiring open cardiac surgery or major endovascular intervention between device implantation and 7 days or hospital discharge (whichever is later)	2	0.60%	0	0%	2	0.40%

Broad Range of Patients Suitable for WATCHMAN

1. History of bleeding
2. Increased bleeding risk based on HAS-BLED score or other factors (e.g. thrombocytopenia, cancer, or risk of tumor associated bleeding in case of systemic anticoagulation)
3. History or risk of falls
4. Documented poor compliance with OAC therapy
5. Inability or difficulty maintaining therapeutic range
6. Occupation that puts patient at an increased bleeding risk
7. Lifestyle or hobby that puts patient at an increased bleeding risk
8. Severe renal failure – medical condition for which OAC inappropriate
9. Avoidance of triple therapy after PCI or TAVR
10. Other situations for which OAC is inappropriate
11. Drug or medication regiment not compatible with oral anticoagulant therapy

Questions?