



12 months results from a prospective real-world multicenter clinical practice of CAS using the CGuard EPS: the **IRONGUARD 2** study

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#### A story started in 2015...

Physician-initiated prospective Italian Registry

the IRON-Guard registry. Rationale and design

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According to the World Health Organization, every According to the world fleatin organization, every year, 5 million peoples die for stroke and another million are permanently disabled. Although there are many causes of acute stroke, a common treatable cause of acute stroke is atheromatous narrowing at the carotid bifurcation. Carotid endarterectomy is still the standard of car, even if carotid artery stenting (CAS) has become an effective, less invasive alantive. Unfortunately, CAS procedure is not yet terantive: chaoronatery, tas processine is not yet perfect; regardless the use of an embolic protection device (EPD), percutaneous treatment has been cor-related with a risk of cerebral ischemic events related to distal embolization. The objective of the IRON-Guard Registry is to evaluate the clinical outcome of treatment by means of stenting with the Count of States and the leading cause of serious banytern of treatment by means of stenting with the Couaru (InspireMD, Boston, MA, USA) in subjects requiring CAS due to significant extracranial carotid artery stenosis with a physician-initiated, Italian, prospective, ulticenter, single-arm study. A total of 200 enrolled subjects divided over different centers are planned to be enrolled, CAS will performed by implanting of G-Guard stent. Procedure will be performed according to the physician's standard of care. Standard proce dures will be followed based on the Instructions for Use, for the C-Guard device of Inspire. The primary ndpoint of this study is the 30-day rate of major adverse events (MAE), defined as the cumulative incidence of any periprocedural (\$30 days postprocedure) death, stroke or myocardial infarction. Secondary endpoints are rate of late ipsilateral stroke (31 through 365 days), system technical success, device target lesion revascularization, and in-stent resteno-

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CLINICAL RESEARCH

Thirty-day results from prospective multi-specialty evaluation of carotid artery stenting using the CGuard MicroNet-covered Embolic Prevention System in real-world multicentre clinical practice: the IRON-Guard study



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## **The Registry**





The aim of the present study was to evaluate periprocedural (24h), post-procedural (up to 30-day), and 12-month outcomes in a large, prospective, multicenter series of patients submitted for protected CAS with CGuard EPS dual layer stent.

# 733 Patients

in 20 enrolling Italian Centers



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### Demographic & Clinical Presentation



Age: 73.03 ± 7.84yy (48-97)

Male Gender: 516 (70.39%)

Tobacco Abuse:	439 (58.52%)
Diabetes:	264 (36.01%)
Hypertension:	622 (84.85%)
Dyslipidemia:	429 (58.52%)
CAD:	278 (37.92%)

131/733 patients (17.87%) were symptomatic

96 TIA (73.28%)

23 Minor Stroke (17.55%)

**12** Major Stroke (9.17%)

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#### **Lesions Characteristics**

#### Stenosis 84.97±6.51% (50-99)





# >50% presented an high-risk carotid plaque

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#### **Arch Anatomies**



Type I 369 (50.3%) Type II 268 (36.6%) **Type III 39 (5.3%)** Bovine 57 (7.8%)

All aortic arch morphologies were enrolled in the study 1/3 of enrolled patients presented significant supraaortic vessels tortuosity



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#### **Procedural Details**

Transfemoral approach was chosen in 97.27% of cases, brachial (1.63%) and transcervical approaches (1.11%) are also reported

Embolic Protection Device was adopted in 99.72% of patients (Mo.Ma. in 14.62%)









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#### **Procedural Results**



#### Procedural success 100%

**Technical success** was obtained in all but one patient (**99.86%**) due to the impossibility to advance the CGuard EPS system: patient was consequently treated by Carotid WallStent

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## **@24 hours Results**

1 fatal haemorrhagic stroke (urgent Patient treated for cTIA) 2 Minor Strokes 6 TIAs 1 AMI

No Death



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### @30 days Results





No stent thrombosis/occlusions

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## @1 year Results

Data available on 726/733 treated patients

1 Minor Strokes

2 IMAs (fatal)

6 stent restenosis (2 stent-in-stent)

#### 8 deaths

(4 malignancies, 1 suicide, 1 undefined complication in Guillain-Barré Syndrome, and 2 AMIs)







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### **Cumulative @1 year Results**

	Incidence without the variable N (%)	Incidence with the variable N (%)	P (OR; 95% CI)
Hypertension	0 (0)	5 (0.80)	0.34 (NA)
Diabetes	2 (0.42)	3 (1.13)	0.26 (2.68; 0.44-16.16)
Dyslipidaemia	1 (0.55)	4 (0.72)	0.80 (1.31; 0.14-11.83)
Smoking History	3 (0.98)	2 (0.46)	0.41 (0.48; 0.08-2.91)
Coronary Artery Disease	3 (0.65)	2 (0.71)	0.92 (1.09; 0.18-6.57)
Octogenarians	3 (0.51)	2 (1.41)	0.23 (2.82; 0.46-17.06)
High clinical risk	2 (0.59)	2 (0.50)	0.49 (0.53; 0.08-3.25)
Symptomatic Stenosis	3 (0.49)	2 (1.52)	0.19 (3.09; 0.51-18.71)

At univariate analysis, none of the clinical, anatomical, or procedural characteristic was found to be statistically related to new stroke occurrence during the entire study period

	Hyperechoic	4 (0.70)	1 (0.61)	
	Isoechoic	3 (0.47)	2 (1.89)	
	Hypo-anechoic	4 (0.72)	1 (0.55)	1.00
Plaque	Disomogeneous	5 (0.89)	0 (0)	1.00
	Ulcerated	4 (0.57)	1 (2.5)	(INA)
	Thin fibrous cap	5 (0.71)	0 (0)	
	Post-CEA restenosis	5 (0.72)	0 (0)	
	Unstable	4 (0.60)	1 (1.44)	0.41 (2.42; 0.26-22.01)
	Type I	2 (0.54)	3 (0.81)	
ortic Arch	Type II	3 (0.64)	2 (0.74)	1.00
oruc Arch	Type III	5 (0.72)	0 (0)	(NA)
	Bovine	5 (0.73)	0 (0)	
	None	4 (0.74)	1 (0.51)	
	Low	2 (0.45)	3 (1.03)	1.00
ortuosity	Moderate	4 (0.73)	1 (0.52)	(NA)
ortuosity	Severe	5 (0.74)	0 (0)	
	Significant	4 (0.82)	1 (0.40)	0.50 (0.48; 0.05-4.32)
Seve	re Calcification	3 (0.56)	2 (1.00)	0.51 (1.79; 0.29 -10.83)
Seve	re Thrombosis	3 (0.51)	1 (0.68)	0.99 (0.99; 0.11-8.98)
Distal Protection		1 (0.71)	4 (0.67)	0.76 (0.70; 0.07-6.84)
P	redilatation	4 (0.70)	1 (0.59)	0.80 (0.83; 0.09-7.50)
Pc	ostdilatation	1 (0.80)	4 (0.65)	0.86

Unpublished data







## Cumulative @1 year Results

	24 hours	30 days	1-year
Stroke	3; 0.41%	4; 0.54%	5; (0.68%)
Death	1; 0.13%	1; 0.13%	9; (1.22%)
Stroke & Death	4; 0.54%	5; 0.68%	14; (1.90%)
AMI	1; 0.13%	4; 0.54%	6 ;(0.81%)

# Stroke rate 0.68%

#### (4 Minor Strokes, 1 haemorrhagic)



Unpublished data





#### Conclusions

In a real-world evaluation of CAS with DLS can be safely used for treatment of extracranial carotid artery stenosis, allowing a **low rate of of post procedural adverse events** by 12 months

**Duration of DAP** after DLS implantation could be **safely limited up to 30th postoperative day**, because no difference in terms of major adverse events neither of restenosis rates were found between patients submitted to a 30-day or a 90-day DAP protocol

One-year restenosis rate was not affected by the performance of intraprocedural post-dilatation after DLS implantation, and, consequently, stent post-dilatation should not be considered a mandatory phase of a CAS procedure using this new-generation device







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