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COMBINED CAROTID STENTING AND CARDIAC SURGERY IN THE SAME OPERATING ROOM: PRELIMINARY RESULTS .

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Background

Severe Carotid stenosis in cardiac patients:

12-18%

Stroke incidence in patients with severe ICA stenosis undergoing cardiac surgery :

10-20%

Operative strategies

review 2003, Naylor et al

	OPERATIVE MORTALITY	IPSILATERAL STROKE	MIOCARDIAL INFARCTION	TOTAL
STAGED CEA→CABG	3.9%	2.5%	6.5%	12.9%
STAGED CABG→CEA	2.0%	5.8%	0.9%	8.7%
SYNCHRONOUS CEA+CABG	4.6%	3.0%	3.6%	11.2%



CAS?

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Aim of the study:

combining carotid stenting to cardiac surgery helps to improve clinical results?

~~CAS~~
~~CEA~~ + Heart Surgery → does it work?

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22 patients included

M: 13 (59%) F: 9 (41%)

Mean age: 70,3 (56-81)

Previous TIA/stroke: 5 (23%)

Bilateral carotid disease: 9 (41%)

EuroScore ≥ 6 : 85%

Stable angina pectoris: 12 (54%)

Unstable angina pectoris: 9 (41%)

Valve disease: 6 (27%)

Previous myocardial infarction: 11 (50%)

EF<40%: 5 (23%)

Our study: CAS & cardiac surgery

- Inclusion criteria:**
- coronary and/or cardiac valve disease
 - carotid stenosis > 80% (uni or bilateral)

- Exclusion criteria:**
- pre-occlusive ICA stenosis or endoluminal thrombus
 - ICA tortuosity precluding distal filter deployment

- (**Access: →cervical**)
- severe aortic and epiaortic vessel tortuosity
(type III arch, bovine arch, CCA coiling or kinking)
 - severe calcification of aortic arch or epiaortic vessels
 - severe aortoiliac occlusive arteriopathy
 - abdominal aortic aneurysm
 - aortobifemoral prosthesis

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Operative strategy

- **No preoperative anti-platelet drugs**
- **Systemic heparin bolus (70 UI/Kg) after placement of the introducer sheath**
- **Combined procedure in the same operating room**
- **General anesthesia and full invasive cardiac monitoring during CAS**
- **Double antiplatelet treatment in the early postoperative period (12 hours)**

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Interventions:

Filter-protected transfemoral CAS: 16 (73%)

Filter-protected transcervical CAS: 6 (27%)

AVR: 1 (4.5%)

CABG+AVR: 3 (13.5%)

CABG+MVR: 2 (9%)

CABG only 15 (68%)

{ On-pump 11 (73%)
Off-pump 4 (27%)

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Results:

Deaths:	0
Myocardial infarctions:	0
Ipsilateral strokes:	0
(Ipsilateral T.I.A.) :	1
Contralateral strokes:	1 (4.5%) (major)
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Total:	1 (4.5%)

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CEA vs CAS

	OPERATIVE MORTALITY	IPSILATERAL STROKE	MIOCARDIAL INFARCTION	TOTAL
SYNCHRONOUS CEA+CABG (litterature)	4.6%	3.0%	3.6%	11.2%
COMBINED CAS & Cardiac Surgery (our experience)	0	0	0	0

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Other CAS experiences

	N° Patients	OPERATIVE MORTALITY	STROKES	MIOCARDIAL INFARCTION	TOTAL
SYNCHRONOUS* CAS+Cardiac Surgery (Mendiz et al, 2006)	30	10%	0	0	10%
SYNCHRONOUS* CAS+CABG (Versaci et al, 2007)	37	5.4%	2.7%	0	8.1%
COMBINED CAS+Cardiac Surgery (Our experience)	22	0	4.5% (contralat.)	0	4.5%

*CAS in the angiographic suite and then transfer to the operating room for surgery

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Conclusions:

Combined CAS and cardiac surgery seems a safe procedure:

- low mortality and low incidence of MI
- no stent thrombosis with delayed double antiplatelet regimen
- no major postoperative bleedings
- acceptable incidence of strokes

...but still a small experience

...work in progress...

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Thank you!



Carotid artery stenting

Less invasive

↓ Mortality, Myocardial Infarctions

Needs double anti-platelet regimen

↑ Bleeding risk

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Other “synchronous” experiences (not combined)

- Mendiz et al, Catheter Cardiovasc Interv 2006 (30 patients):
3 deaths (10%), no strokes, no MI → total: 10%
- Versaci et al, Ann Thoracic Surg 2007 (37 patients):
2 deaths (5.4%), 1 stroke (2.7%), no MI → total: 8.1%