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NEW TECHNICAL TIPS TO MAKE MINIMAL INCISION CEA (MICE) EASIER AND BETTER: CAN SAME DAY DISCHARGE BE SAFE



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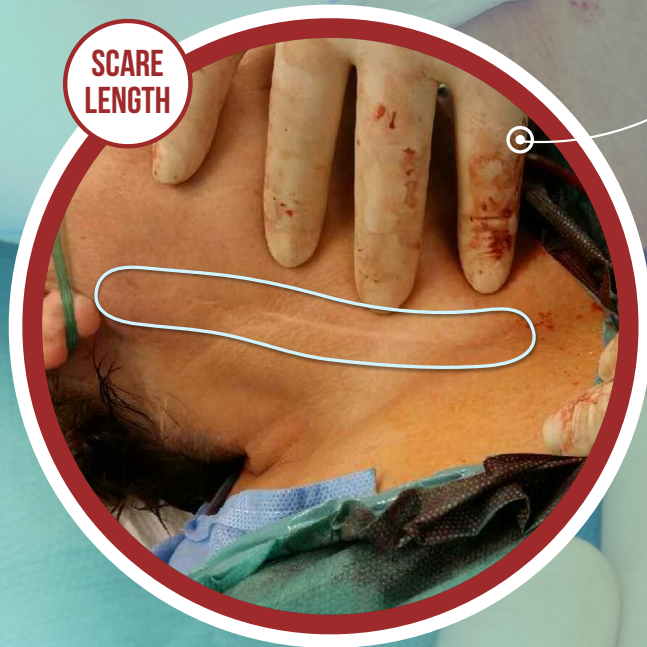
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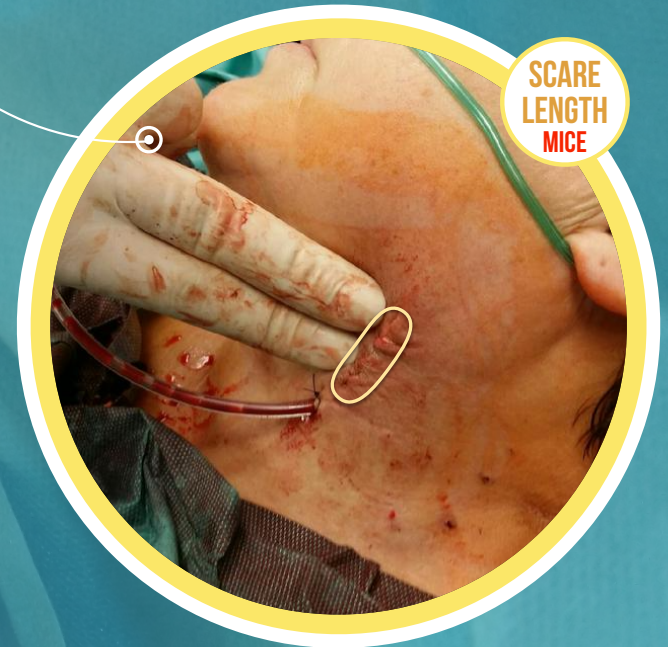
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SCARE
LENGTH



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MICE



Scare Length



**SAME
PATIENT**

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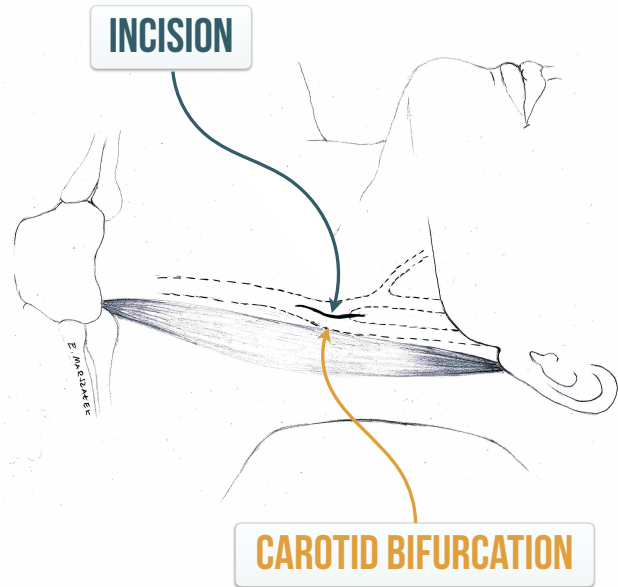
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IF ONE CAN SAFELY PERFORM CEA BY **MINIMAL INCISION**
— LET'S DO IT ROUTINELY !!!

OPERATION TECHNIQUE MICE

MICE – Minimal Incision Carotid Endarterectomy
Important aspects of the operation's technique



01. Incision

Incision MUST be done over carotid bifurcation



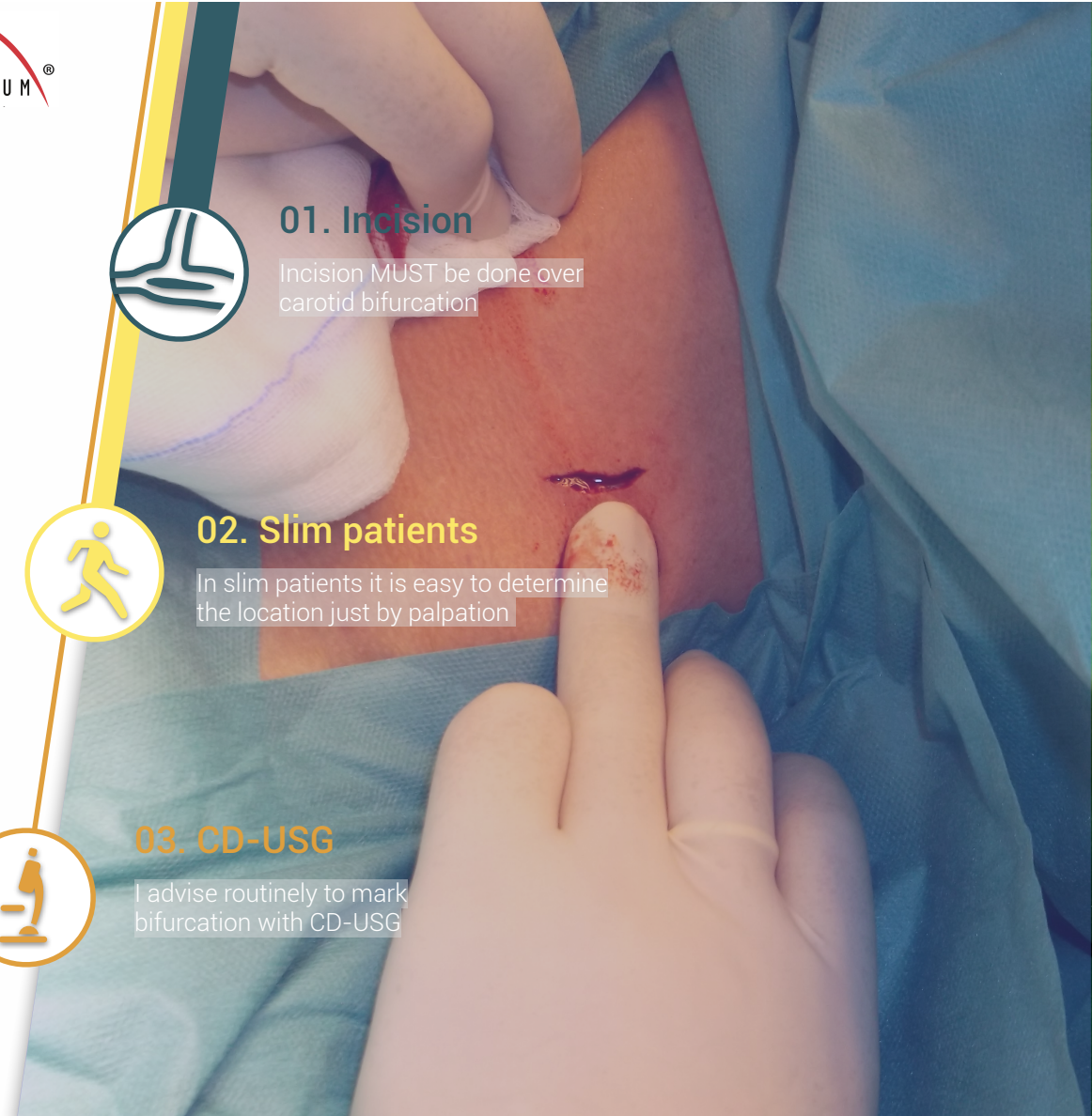
02. Slim patients

In slim patients it is easy to determine the location just by palpation



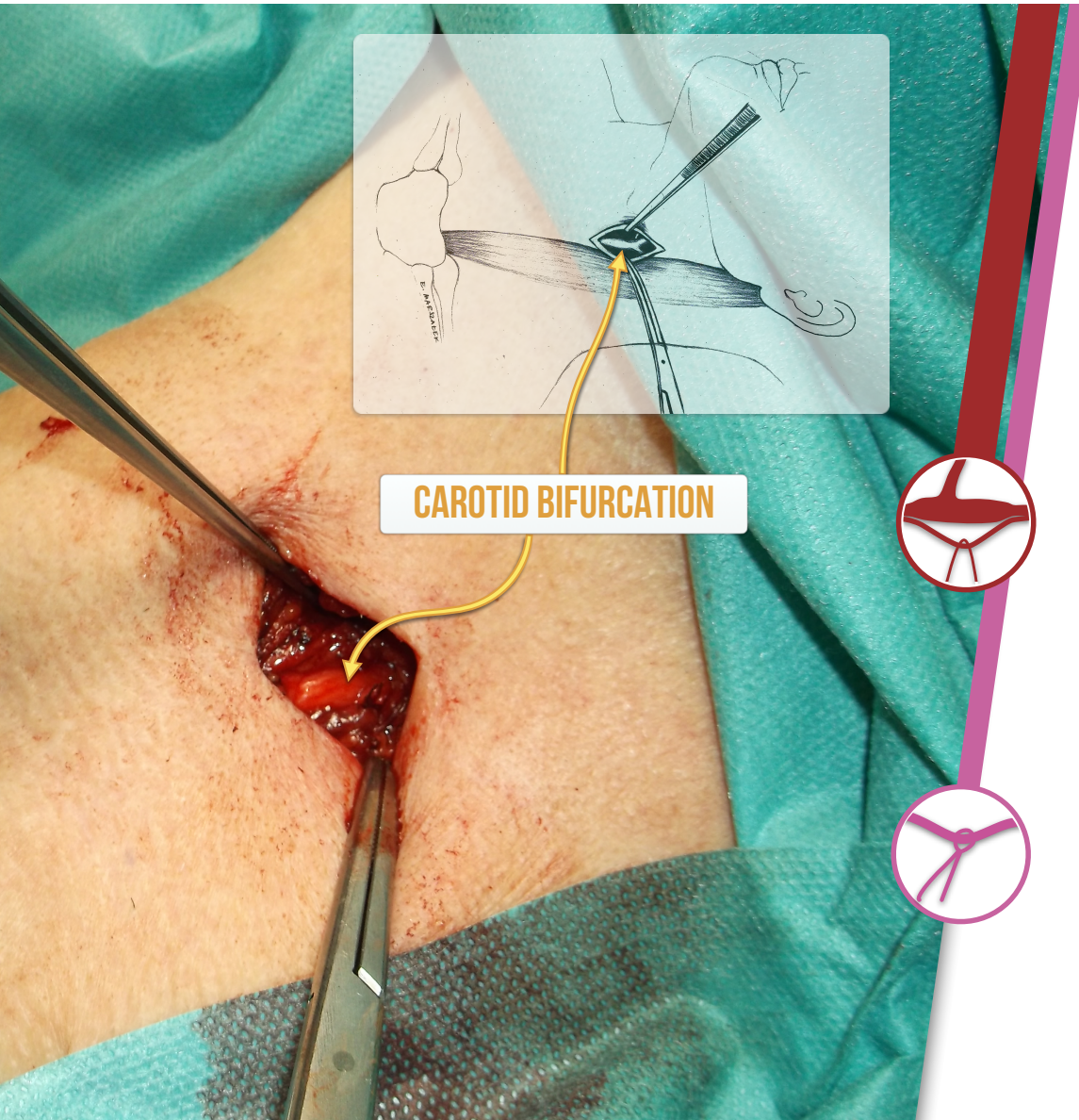
03. CD-USG

I advise routinely to mark bifurcation with CD-USG



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CAROTID BIFURCATION



04. Reaching the Artery

Reaching the artery by tissue separation along the border of SternoCleidoMastoid muscle



05. Vessel Loop

Once the artery is visualized apply the vessel loop on the ECA and Thyroid artery

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06. ECA and CCA Vessel Loop

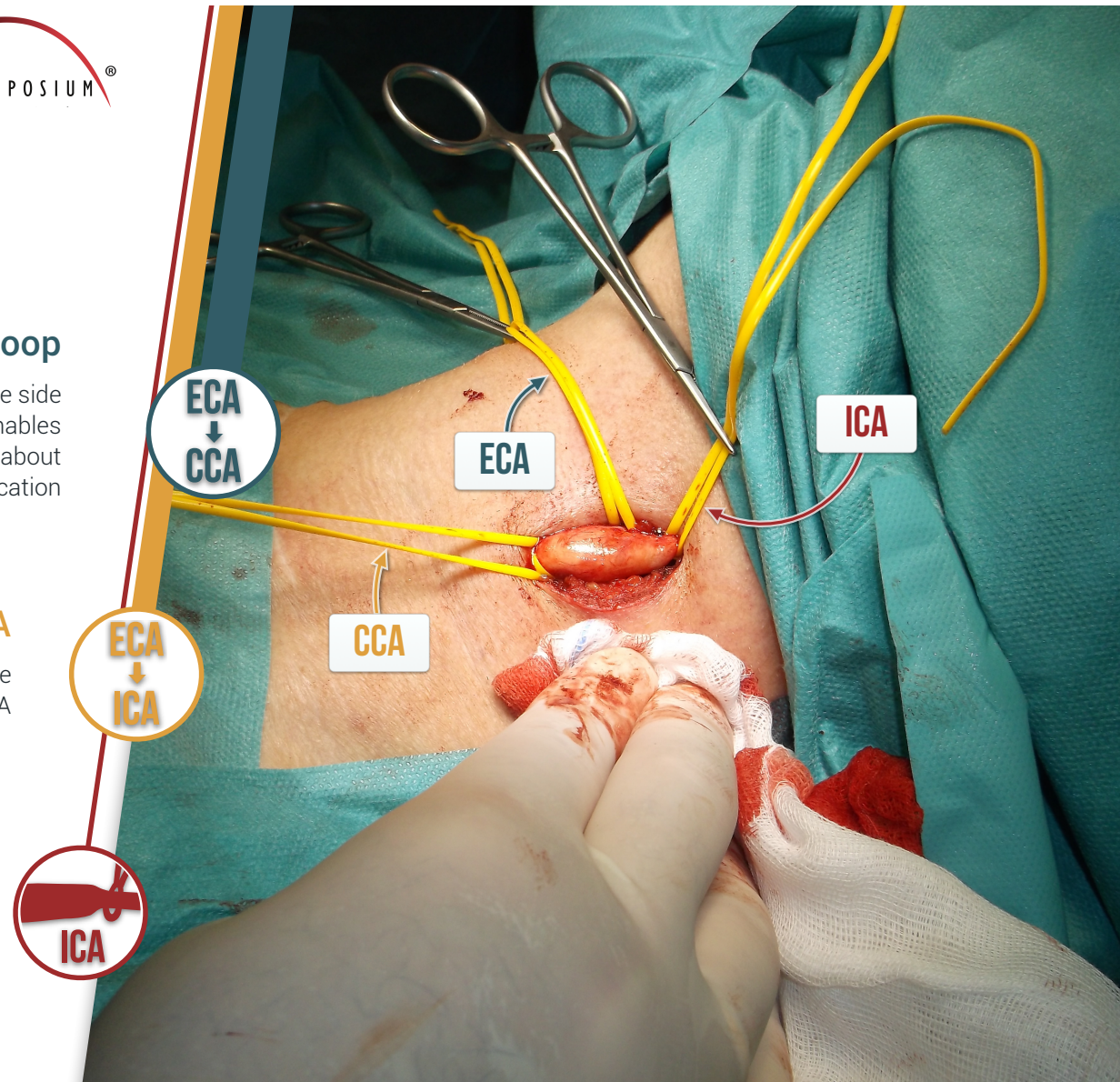
Pulling the ECA vessel loop up and to the opposite side (45° angle) and releasing posterior part of bifurcation enables visualization and applying a vessel loop on the CCA about 15mm down the bifurcation

07. Anterior and Posterior Portion of ICA

Pulling the ECA vessel loop down and to the opposite side (30° angle) reveals anterior and posterior portion of ICA

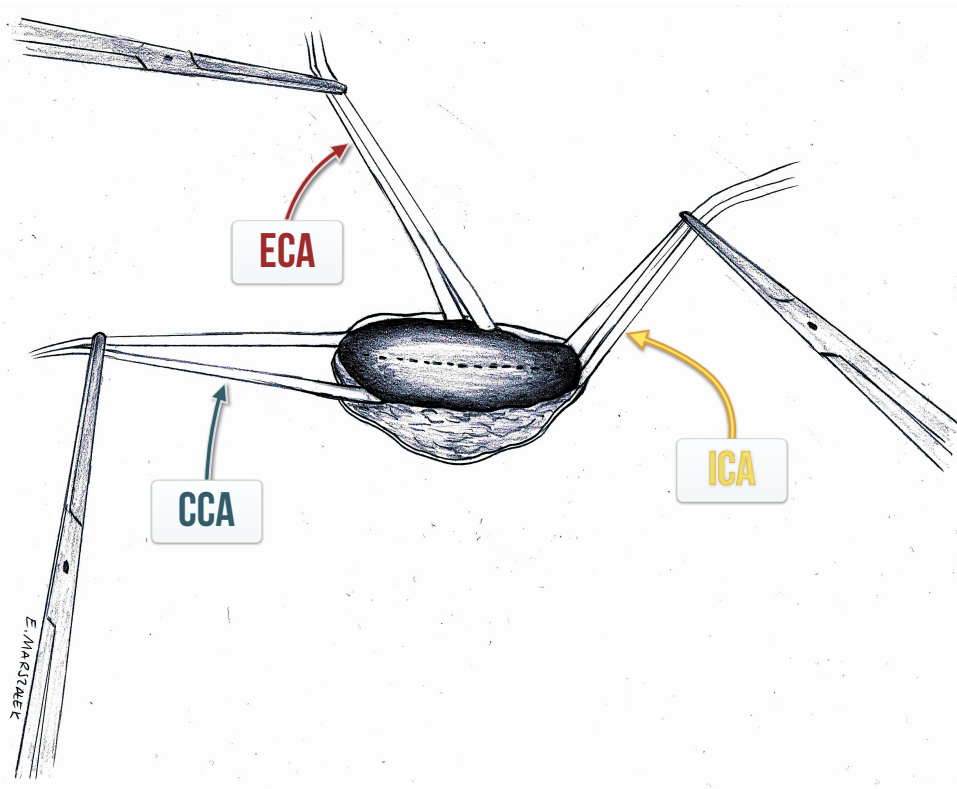
08. ICA Above Atherosclerotic Plaque

The vessel loop on ICA MUST be located above atherosclerotic plaque



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09. Clamp ICA for 30 seconds

Temporary clamping of ICA for 30 seconds should show if the shunt is needed



10. Continue Pulling if OK

If there is no neurological signs we continue pulling all vessel loops to elevate the artery to the level of the skin



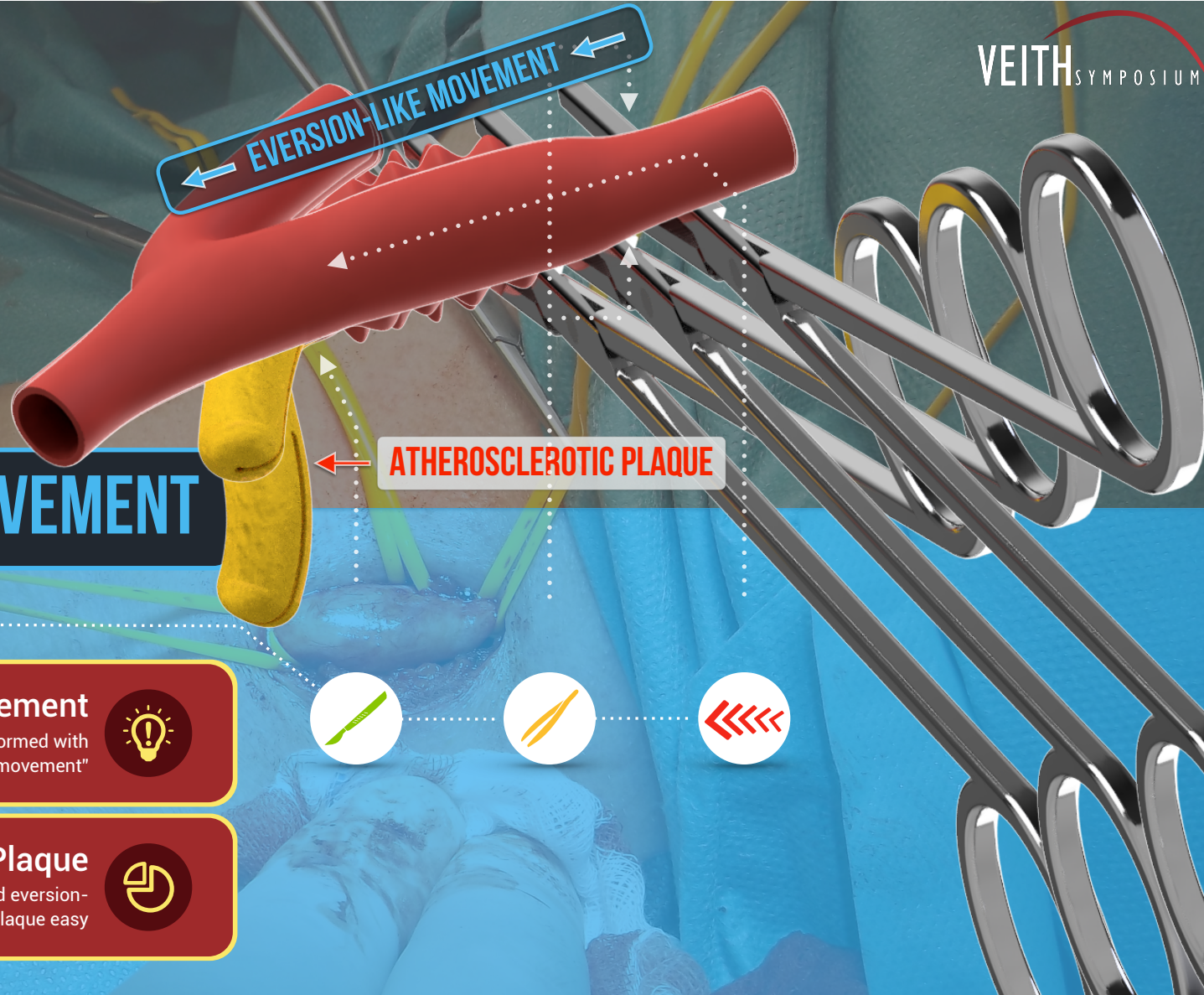
11. Direction of Incision

Typically, longitudinal incision from CCA to the ICA is performed

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EVERSION-LIKE MOVEMENT

12. Movement

Typical endarterectomy is performed with „eversion-like movement“



13. Dissection of the Plaque

Using forceps to hold ICA /above the narrowing/, we performed eversion-like movement that makes dissection of the atherosclerotic plaque easy



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1-2
SEC

14. Back Flow 1-2 Seconds

ALWAYS allow 1-2 seconds back flow from ICA to remove potential debris by the blood flow



15. Unclamp CCA short

Unclamp CCA for a short period of time to remove potential debris from the proximal part

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16. Shunt

Should a shunt be indicated, it is easy and quick to insert !!!



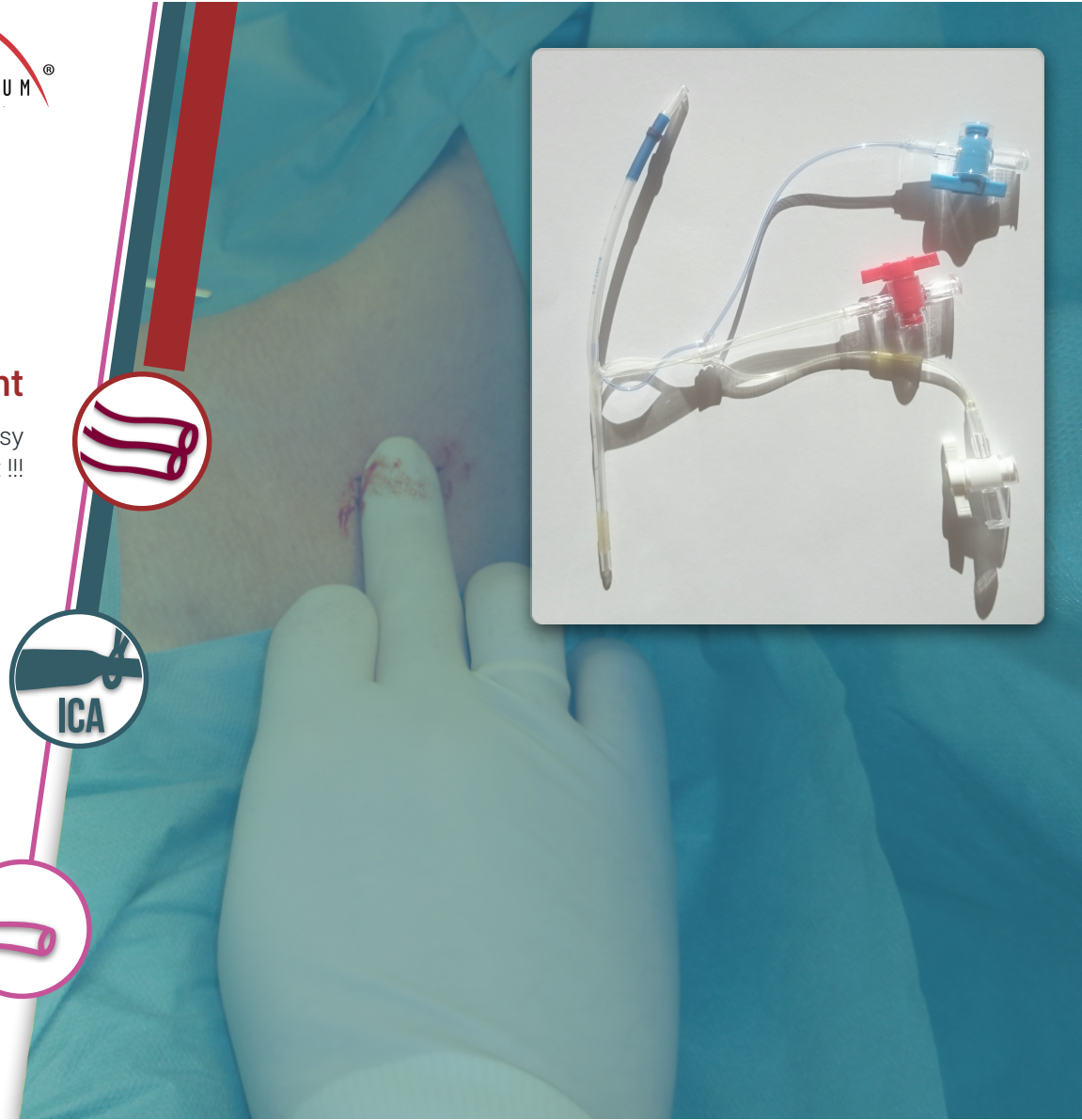
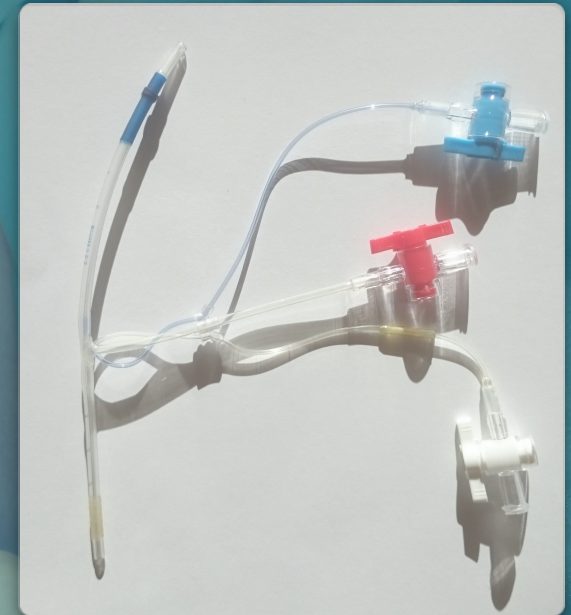
17. Loosen ICA Loop

As a first step the shunt is inserted into ICA - it is necessary to slightly loosen ICA vessel loop



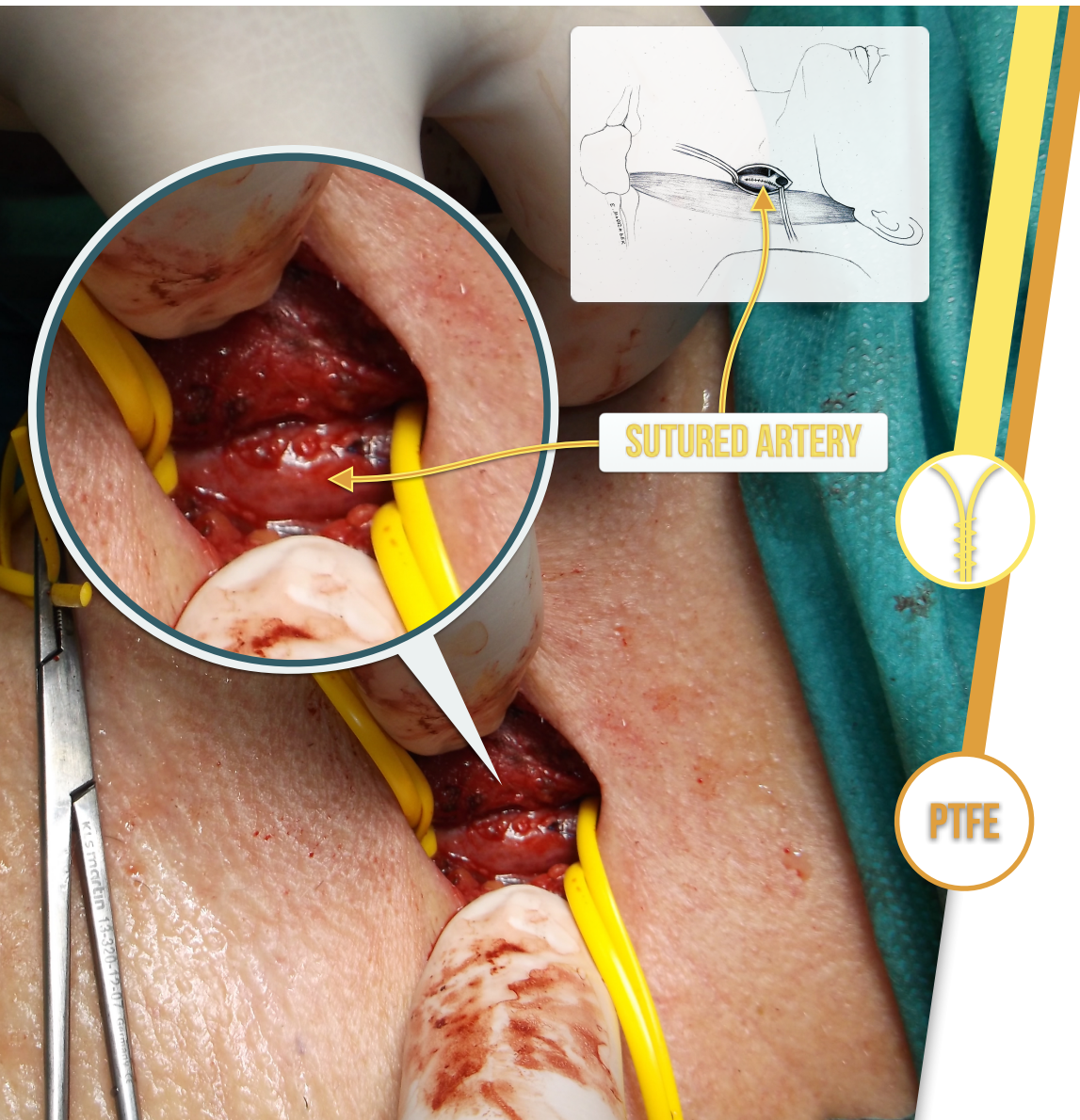
18. Same way

The shunt into CCA is than inserted in the same way



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SUTURED ARTERY



19. Suture

Continues suture /5.0 or 6.0/ is used to close the arteriotomy

PTFE

20. Artificial Patch Possible

If the ICA diameter is below 2 mm, artificial /PTFE/ patch can easily be used

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21. Redon Drainage

Redon drainage always used



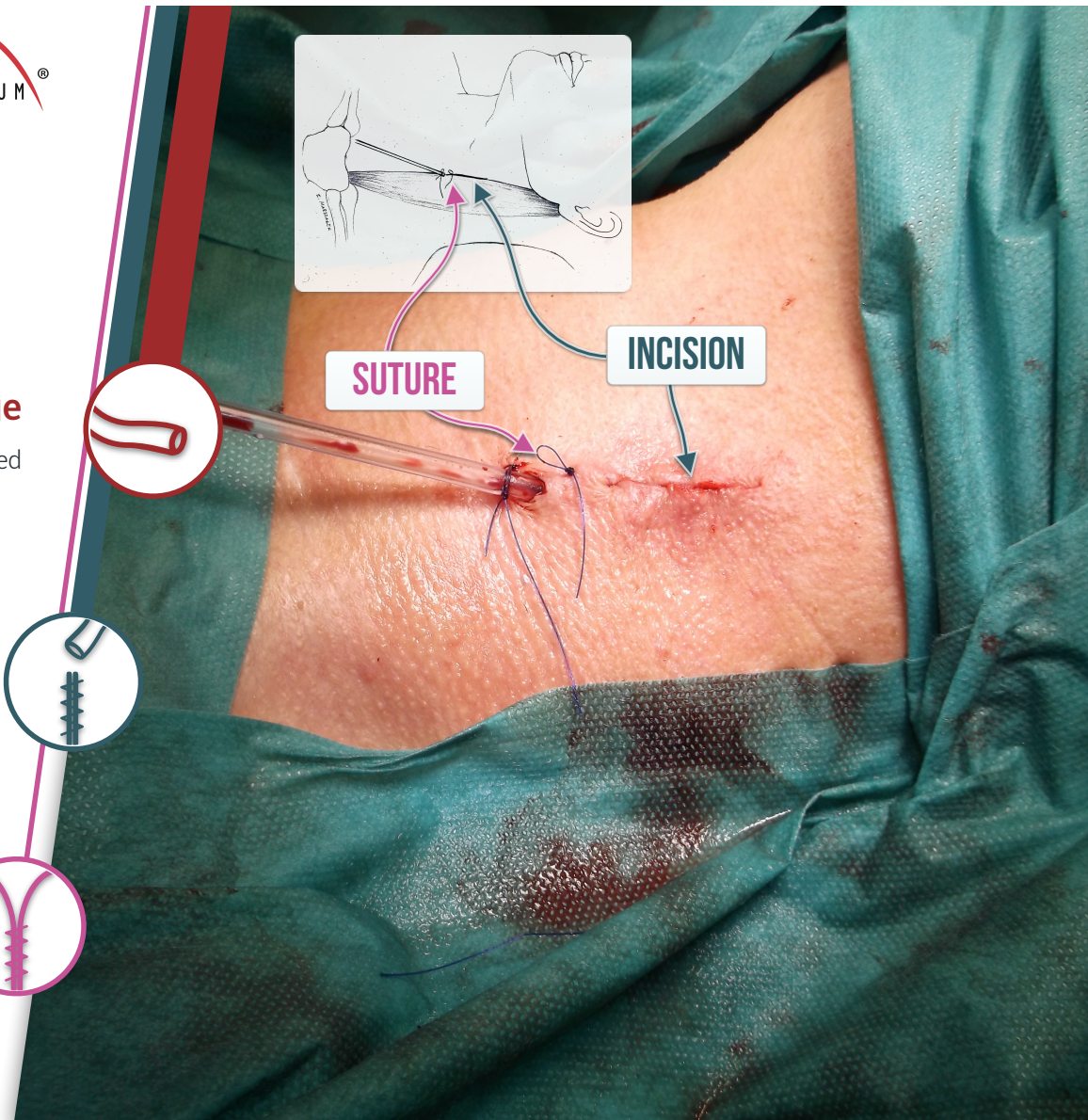
22. Incision for Redon drainage

Another incision for Redon drainage due to small incision for endarterectomy



23. Intradermal Suture

Intradermal suture usually closes the wound (good cosmetic effect)



STEP BY STEP

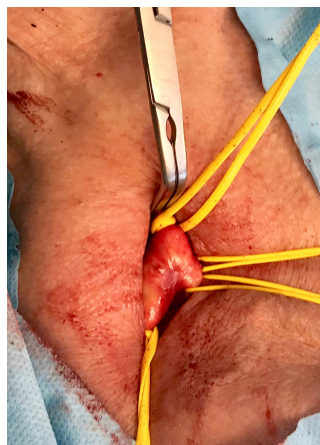
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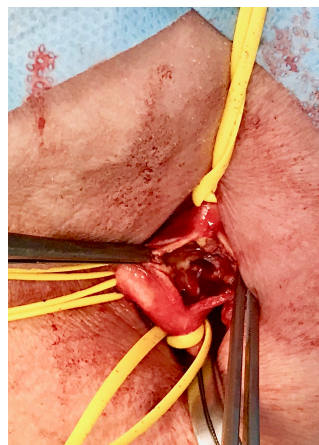
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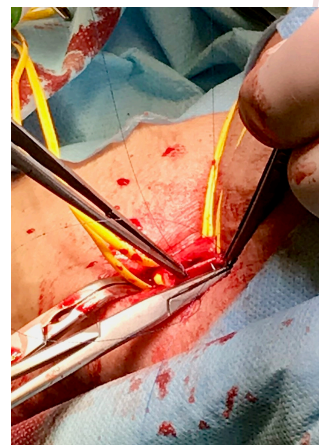
Step 02



Step 03



Step 04



Step 05



Step 06

TEAM EXPERIENCE

MICE – Minimal Incision Carotid Endarterectomy , 165 consecutive patients



Total 165 Patients:
165 patients allocated in two groups



122 Patients
Minimal Incision Carotid Endarterectomy /MICE/



43 Patients
Classic Endarterectomy /CE/

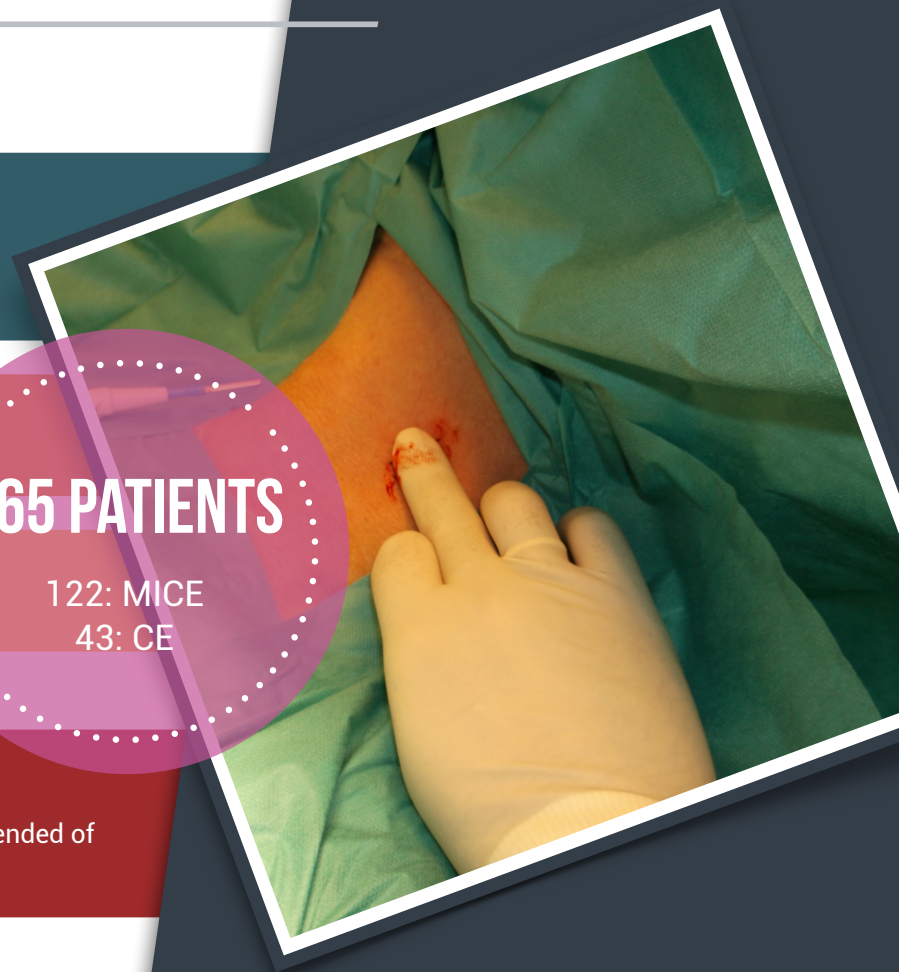


Patients randomly allocated

Patients were randomly allocated to each group. Surgical method depended of the operator - 3 surgeons in group MICE, 2 surgeons in group CE

165 PATIENTS

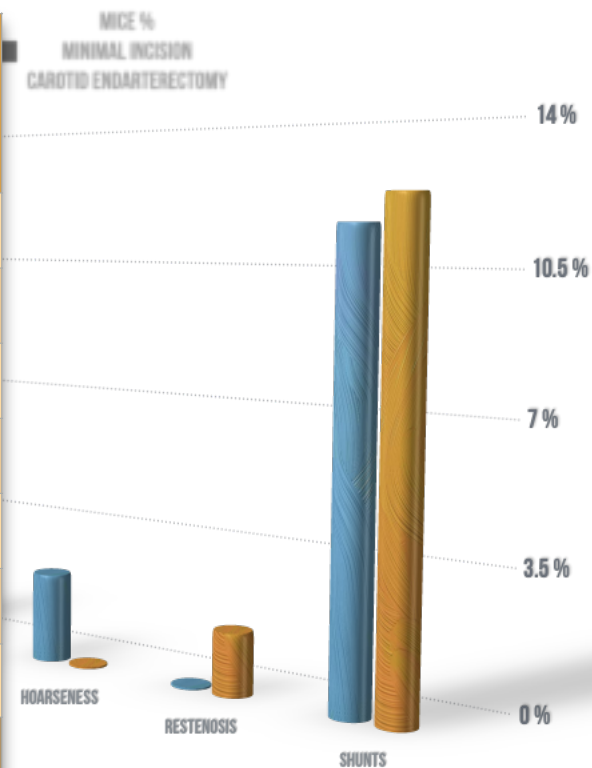
122: MICE
43: CE



RESULTS

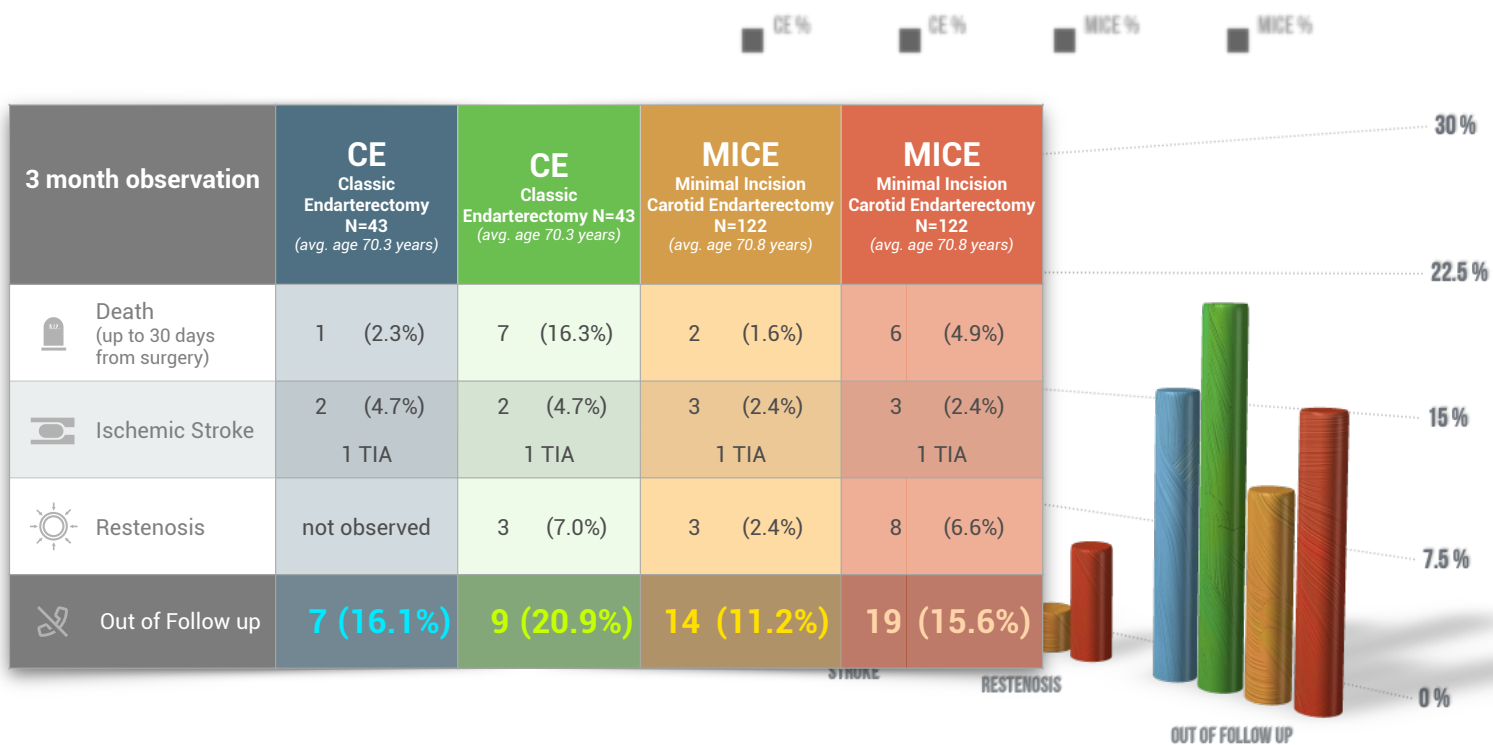
MICE – Minimal Incision Carotid Endarterectomy – data collected during 20 month of experience

3 month observation	CE Classic Endarterectomy N=43 <i>(avg. age 70.3 years)</i>	MICE Minimal Incision Carotid Endarterectomy N=122 <i>(avg. age 70.8 years)</i>
Death (up to 30 days from surgery)	1 (2.3%)	2 (1.6%)
Ischemic Stroke	2 (4.7%) 1 TIA	2 (1.6%) 1 TIA
Haemorrhagic Stroke	1 (2.3%)	0 (0%)
Bleeding	1 (2.3%)	1 (0.8%)
Nerve injury	2 (4.7%)	0 (0%)
Hoarseness	1 (2.3%) transient	0 (0%)
Restenosis	not observed	2 (1.6%)
Shunts	5 (11.6%)	15 (12.3%)



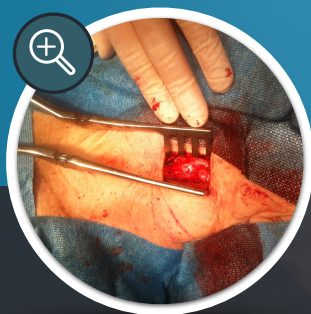
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SOME EXAMPLES 1

MICE – Minimal Incision Carotid Endarterectomy – automatic retractor not routinely used



01

Small Wound

Low possibility to damage neck anatomical structures

02

Safe Operation

The aim is safe operation, small incision – additional advantage

03

Quick Recovery of the Patient

On the next day post surgery patient can be safely discharged from the hospital

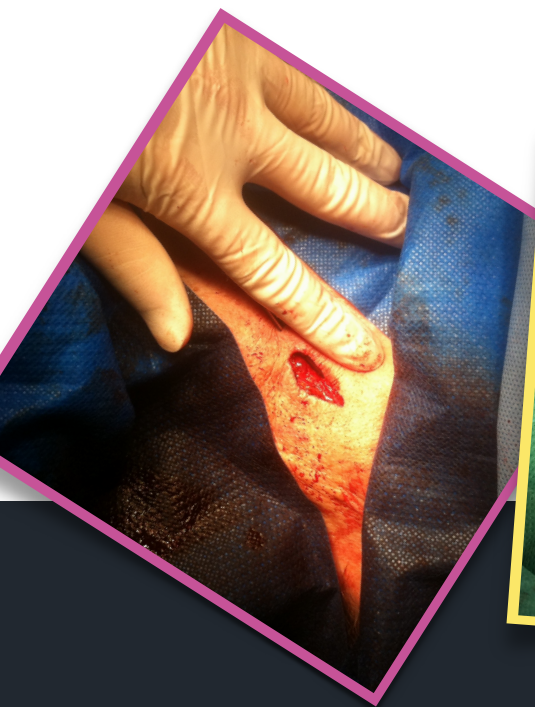
04

Easy to Reoperate

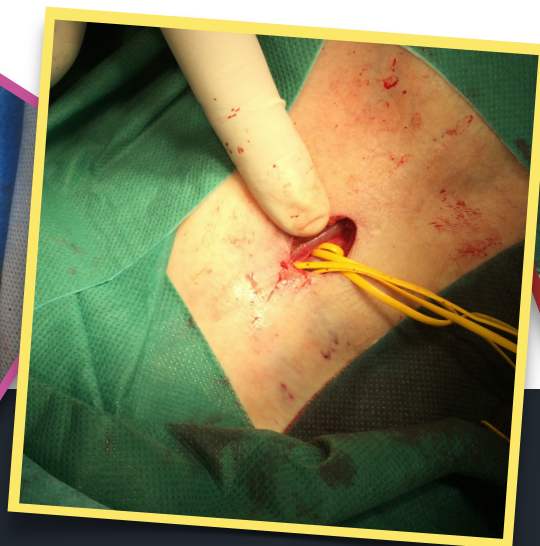
Small scar gives the benefit if reoperation is needed

SOME EXAMPLES 2

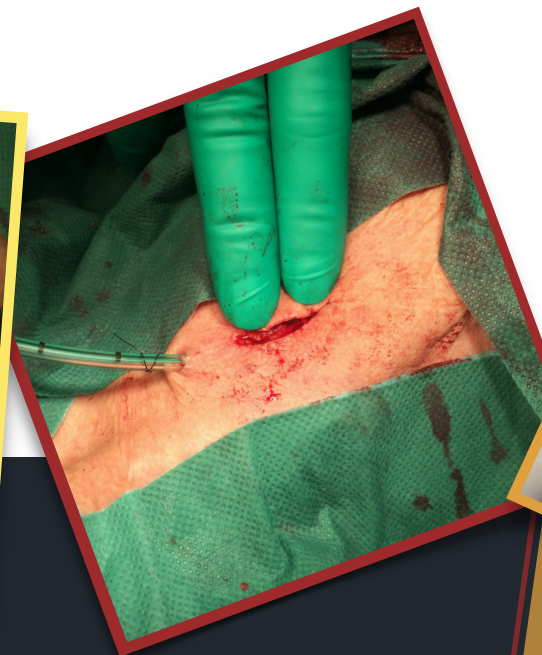
MICE – Minimal Incision Carotid Endarterectomy – pictures of the neck



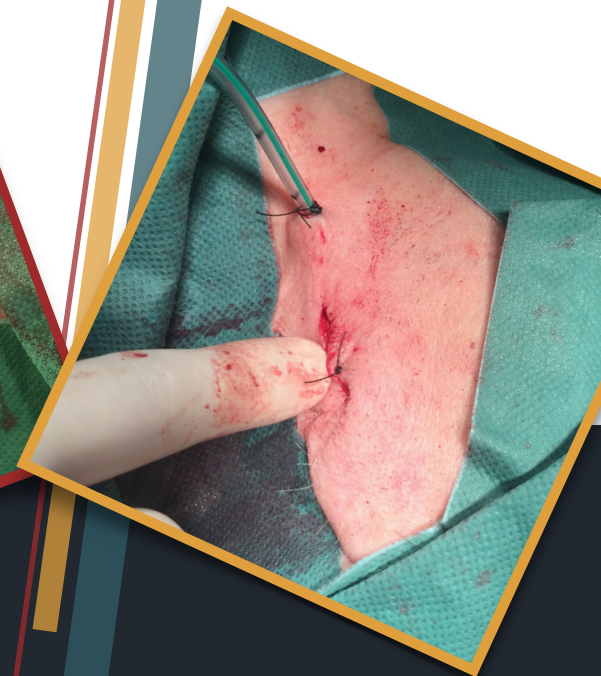
Small incision



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ECA
↓
CCA

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SOME EXAMPLES 3

Post MICE – Minimal Incision Carotid Endarterectomy



Scar Length – MICE Method

Example 1

Soon after Operation

Nearly no limitation in neck movement



Scar Length – MICE Method

Example 2

Long Term Effect

Quick wound healing

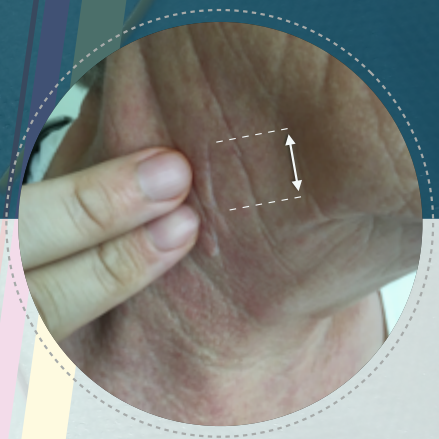


Scar Length – MICE Method

Example 3

Soon after Operation

Short hospital stay



Scar Length – MICE Method

Example 4

Long Term Effect

Perfect cosmetic effect

CONCLUSION

Conclusions after treating first series of patients with MICE – Minimal Incision Carotid Endarterectomy



MICE – less Ischemic stroke, less haemorrhagic stroke, less bleeding, less nerve injury, less hoarseness, lower risk, greater patient's comfort, better, more innovative approach.



LOW RISK OF MICE

Minimal Incision Carotid Endarterectomy is a safe procedure, with a small risk of complications .



QUICK RECOVERY AFTER SURGERY

Minimal incision reduces level of patients' discomfort and aids quick recovery after surgery



PRECAUTIONS AND CONTRAINDICATIONS

Patients discharged safely same day (asymptomatic, normotension) (no complication in this group)

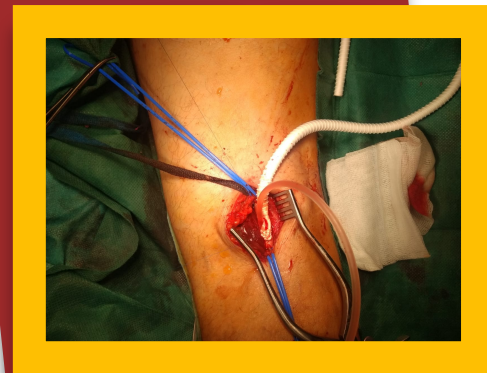


FURTHER STUDY REQUIRED

Further study are needed to assess safety of discharge on the day of the operation

OTHER MINIMAL INCISIONS

MICE – Minimal Incision can be used also in aorto–bifemoral grafting and femoro–popliteal grafting



Transverse Incision – 2 cm above umbilicus

Rectus abdominis not cut

End to Side Anastomosis

Remote movement of the leg of prosthesis

3 cm Incision on the Medial Side of the Leg

Automatic retractor to broaden the access to the artery

Hook–Like Manover to Elevate Popliteal Artery

Easy to do end-to-side anastomosis



THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME



Presented technique and data soon to be published

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