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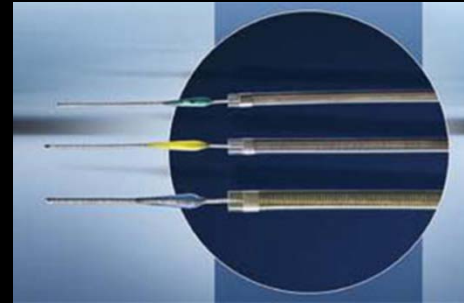
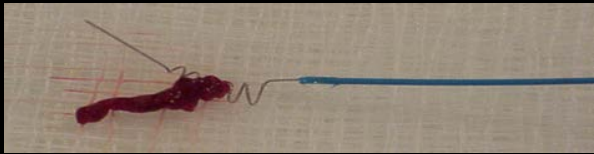
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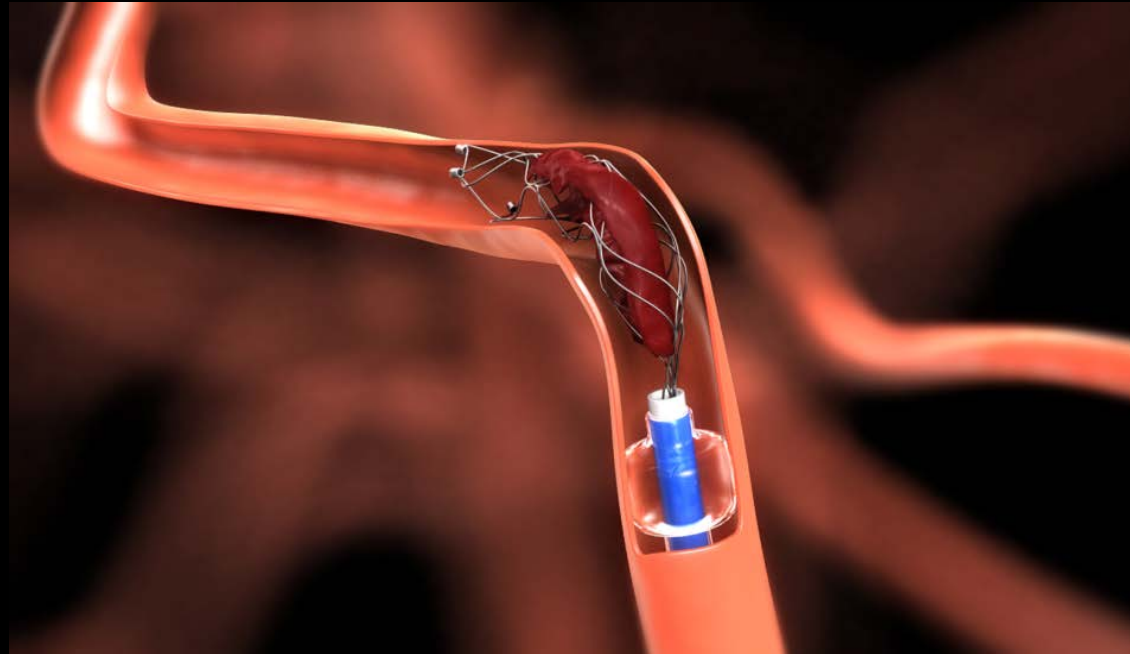
Steering Committee and Core Lab, SWIFT PRIME (Covidien)

THROMBECTOMY DEVICES

First generation



Second generation
(stent retrievers)



RECENT RANDOMIZED CLINICAL TRIALS OF ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY

- Stent-retriever + IV tPA vs. IV tPA alone
- Fast endovascular treatment (< 6 hrs)
- Large vessel occlusions (ICA / MCA M1)
- Moderate/Severe deficits (NIHSS 17)
- High rates of reperfusion (TICI 2b/3 of 59-88%)
- NEJM publications (all 5)

MR CLEAN REVASCAT ESCAPE SWIFT PRIME EXTEND-IA

New AHA Guidelines 2015

Endovascular therapy with a stent retriever is recommended (Class 1 Level A)

Proximal MCA or ICA occlusion

Within 6 hours of symptom onset

We have a New Standard of Care for Stroke!

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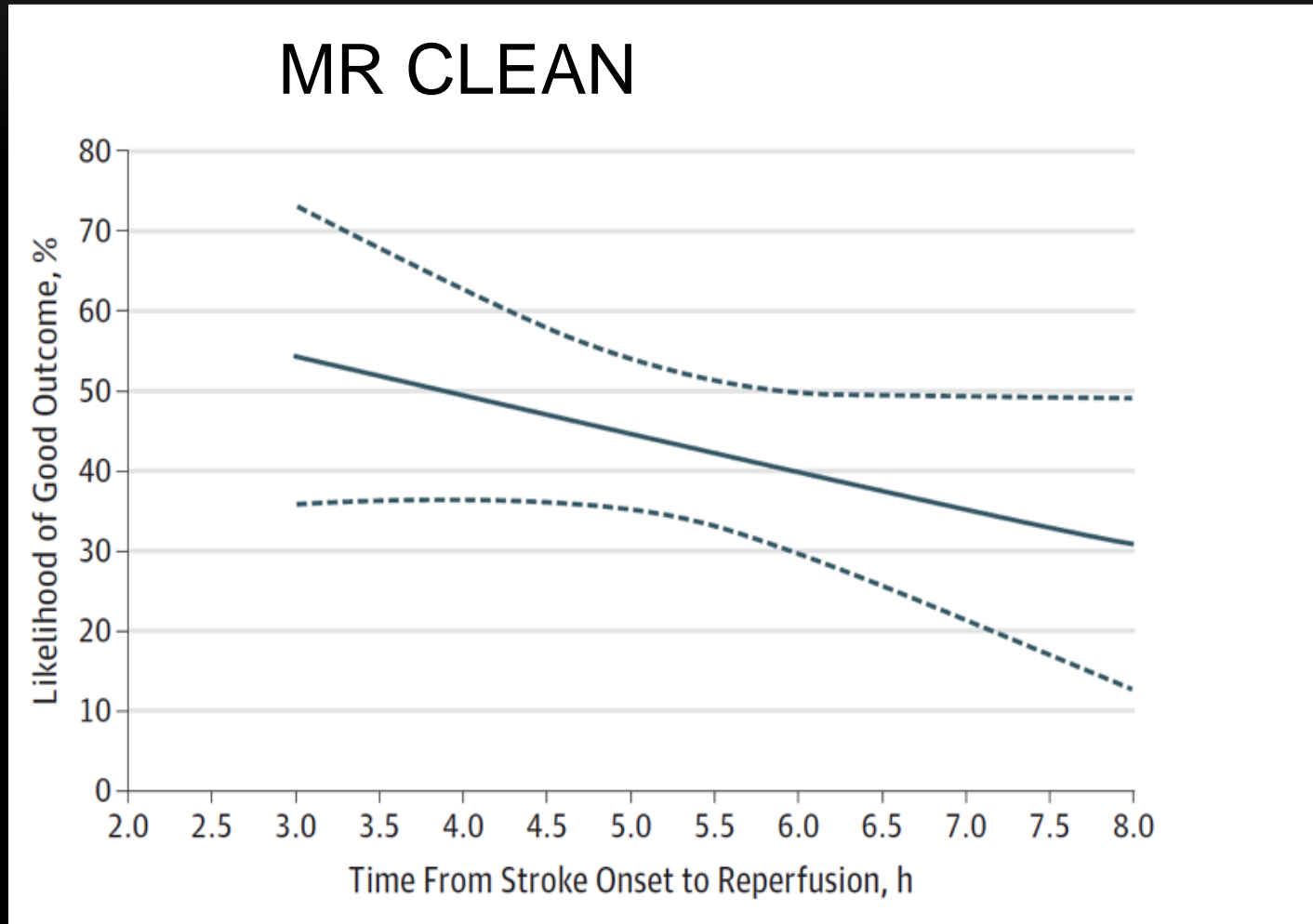
Endo-vascular

33%

Control

19%

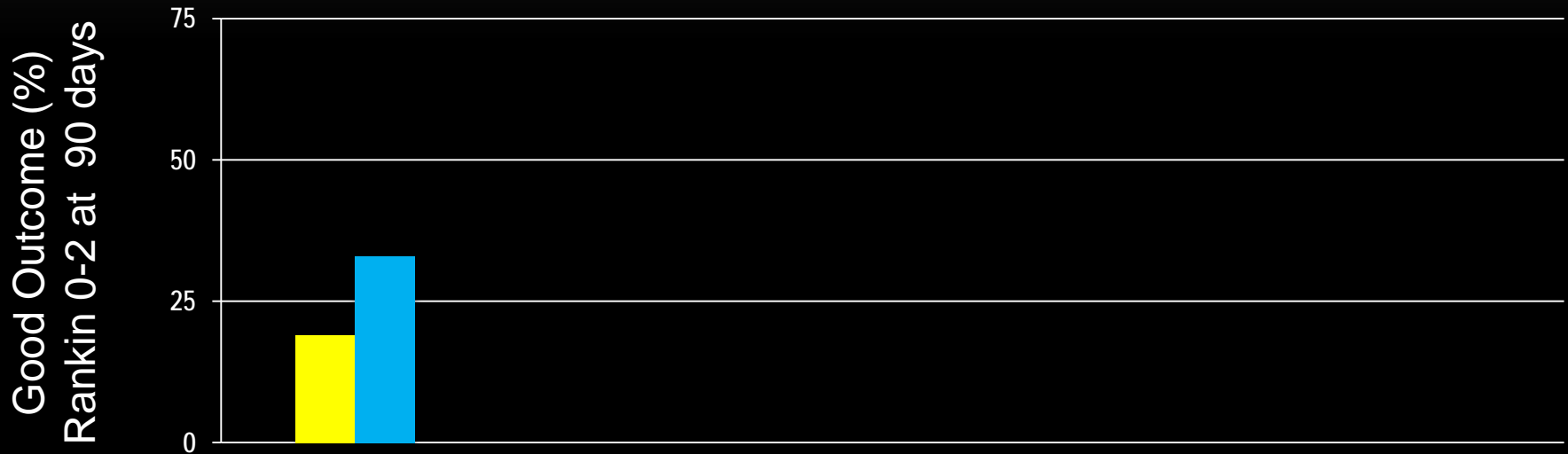
GOOD OUTCOME RATES FOLLOWING ENDOVASCULAR REPERFUSION



Non contrast CT scan



RECENT RANDOMIZED CLINICAL TRIALS OF ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY



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$P < 0.05$

CT

REVASCAT

ASPECTS ≥ 6

ESCAPE

SWIFT PRIME

EXTEND-IA

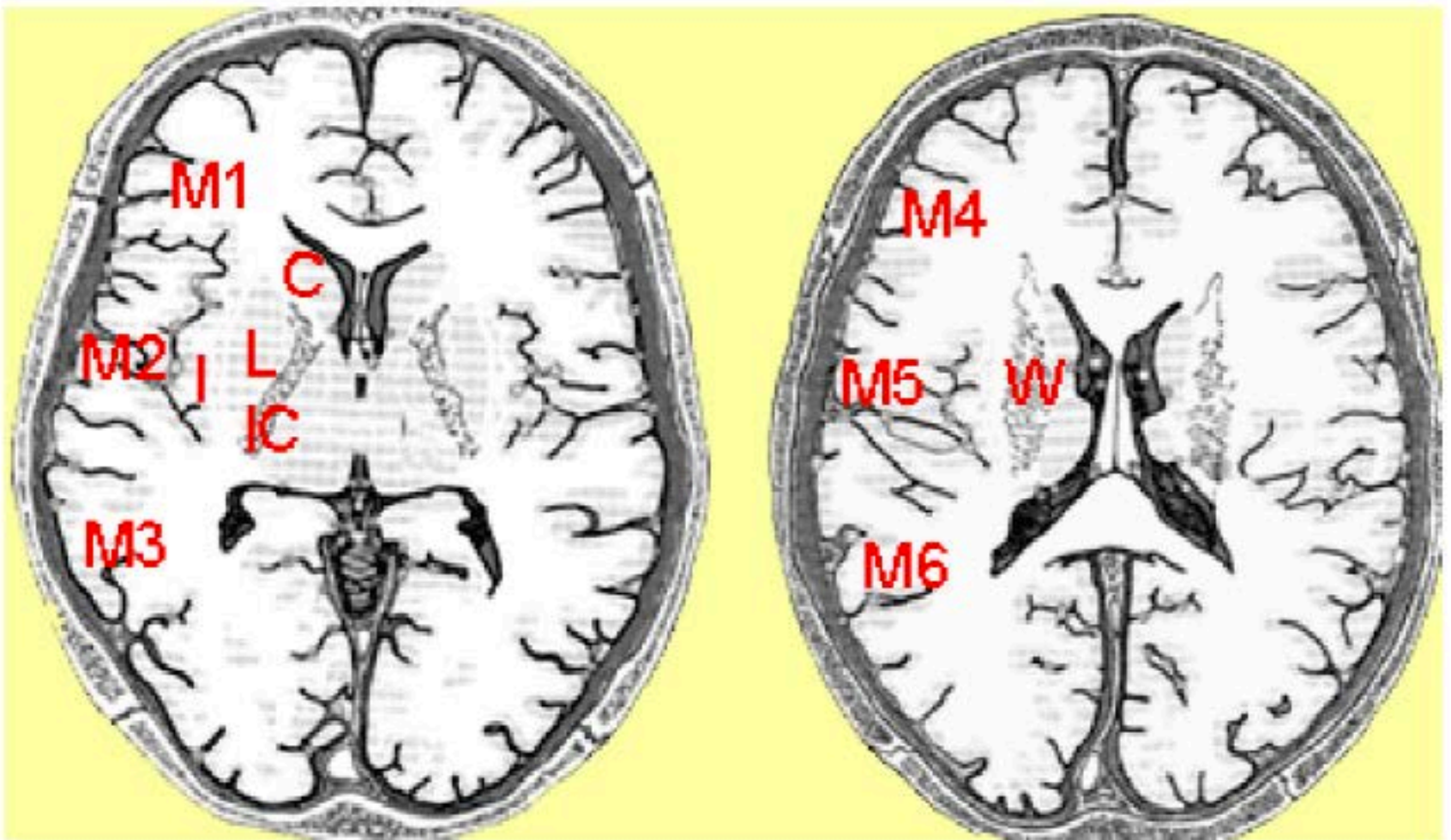
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ASPECT SCORE



CT scan: early signs of stroke

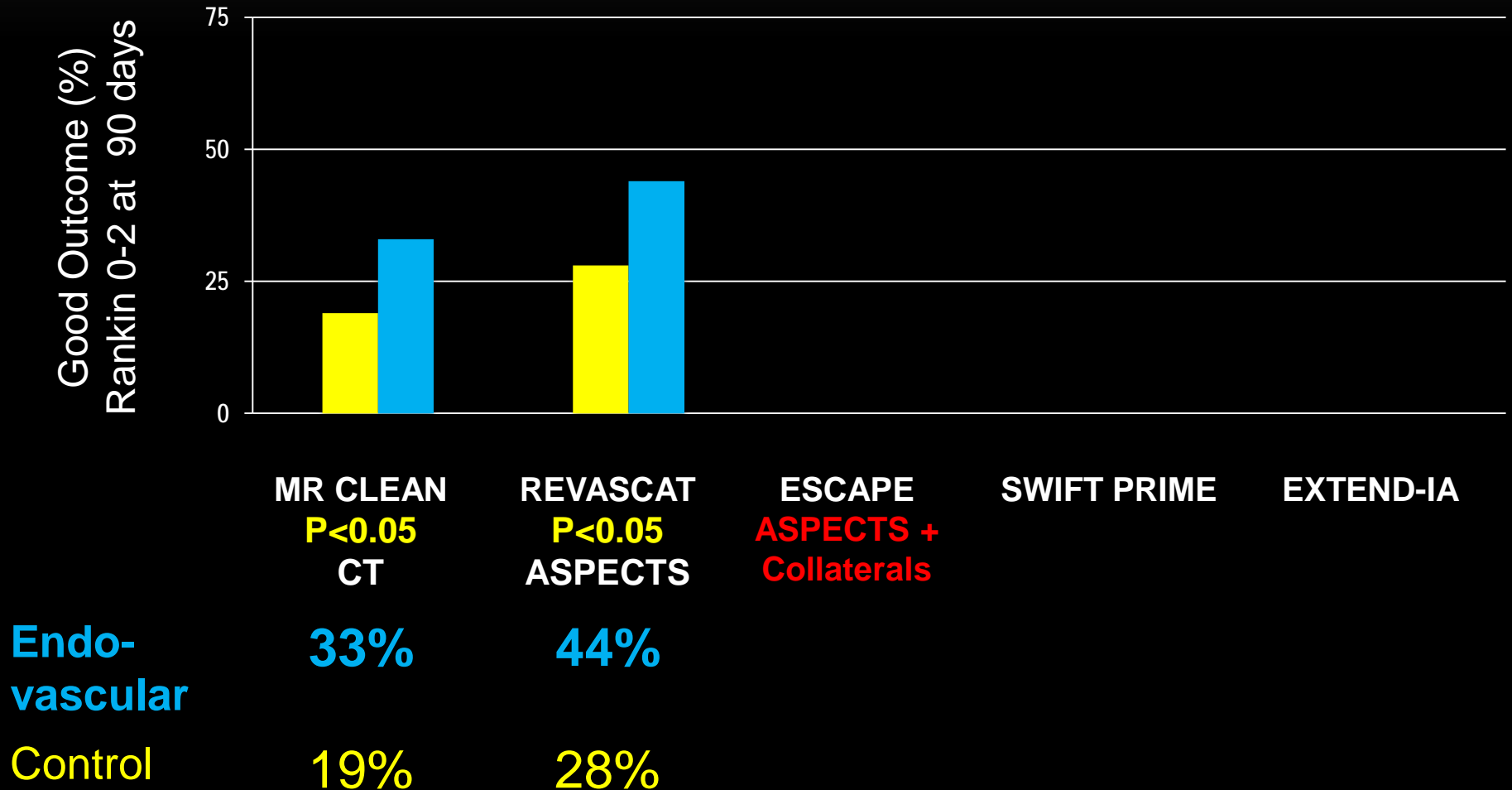
ASPECTS SCORE



M2 + 1

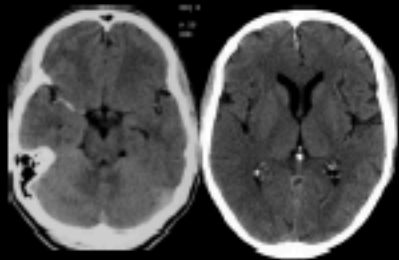
ASPECTS = 8

NEW RANDOMIZED CLINICAL TRIALS OF ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY

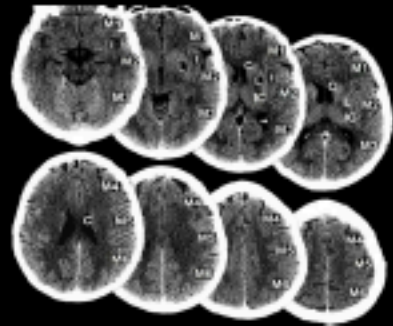


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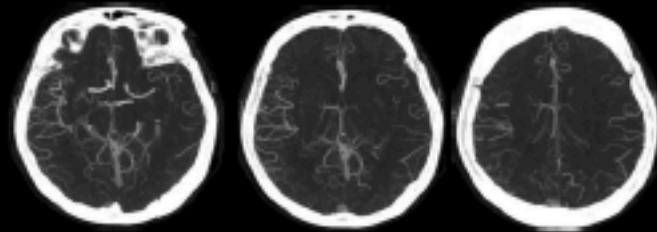
Good scan, proximal occlusion, mod/good collaterals



CTA: ICA T or M1 occl

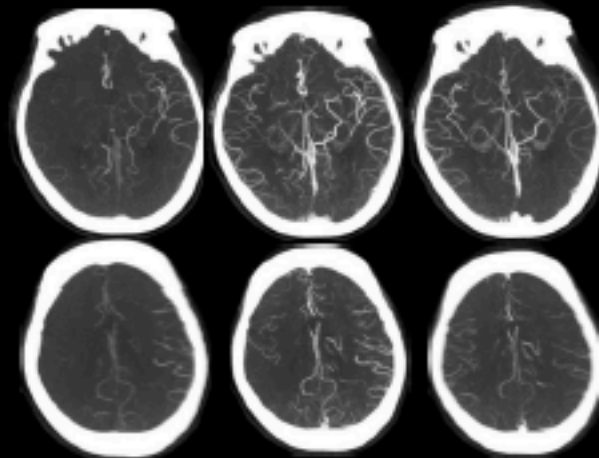


NCCT ASPECTS 6-10



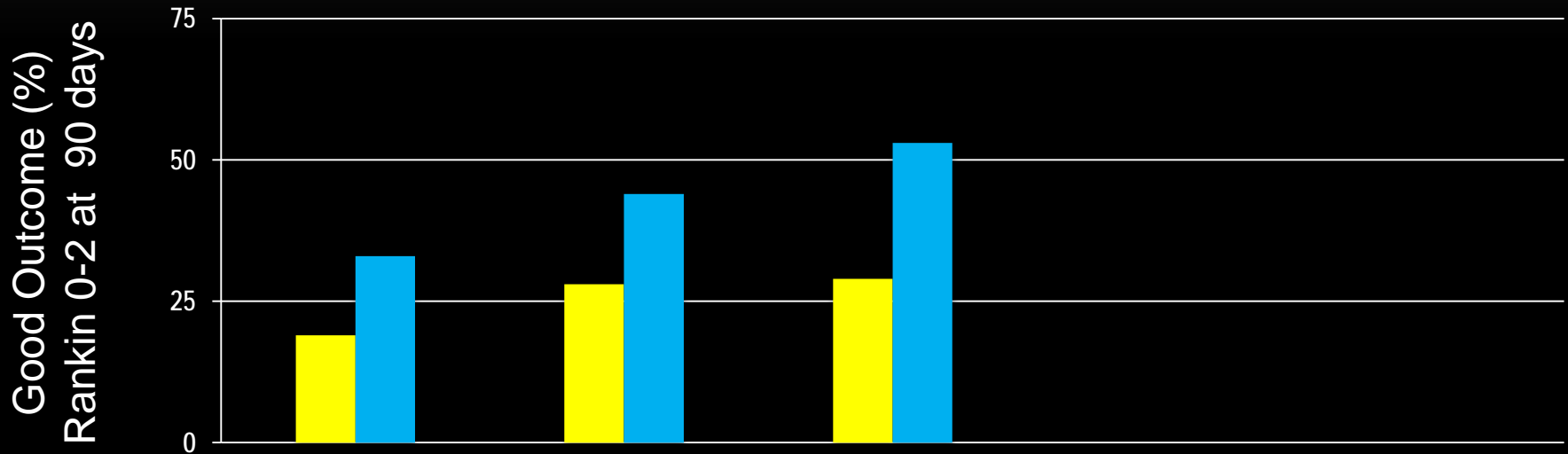
Single phase CTA: mod/good collaterals

1st or 2nd or 3rd phase



Multiphase CTA: mod/good collaterals

RECENT RANDOMIZED CLINICAL TRIALS OF ENDOVASCULAR THERAPY



MR CLEAN
P<0.05
 CT

REVASCAT
P<0.05
 ASPECTS

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P<0.001
 Collaterals

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CTP and MRI
Target mismatch

EXTEND-IA

Endo-vascular

33%

44%

53%

Control

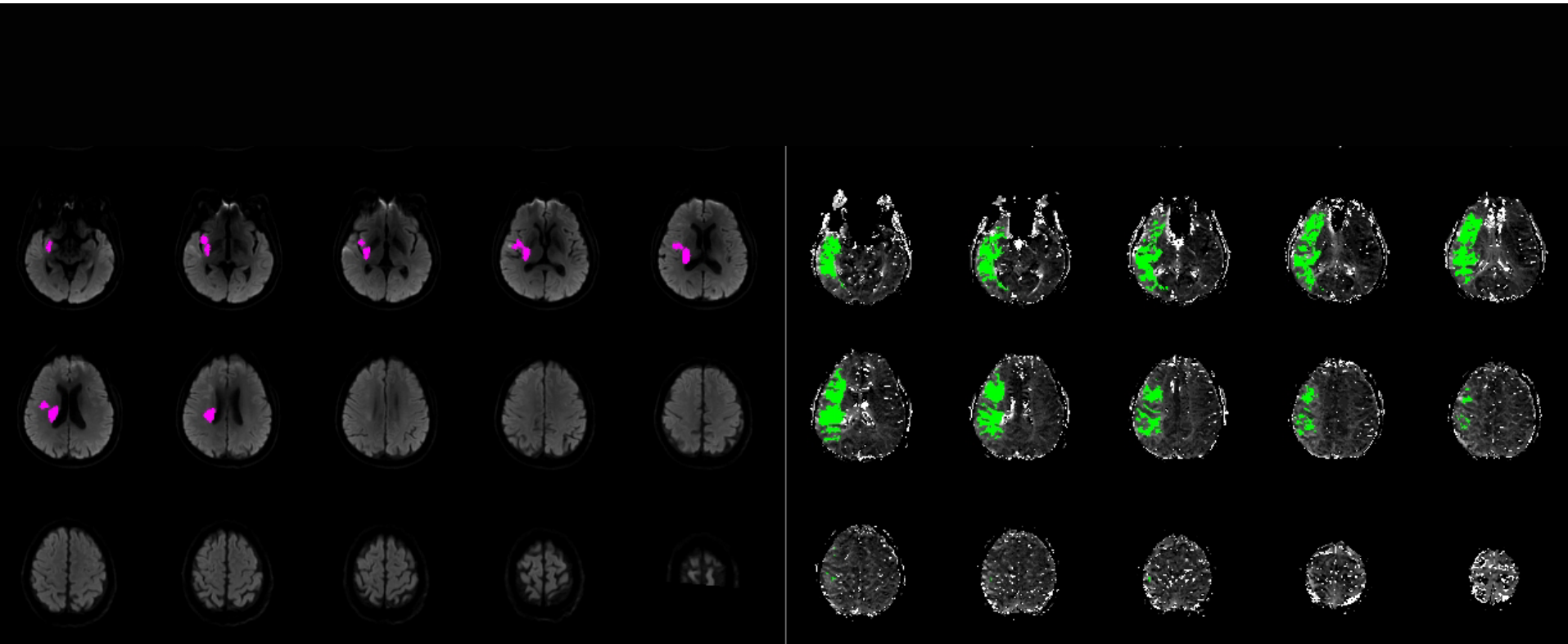
19%

28%

29%

RAPID MRI Target mismatch

Mismatch map: directly compare volumes of DWI and hypoperfusion



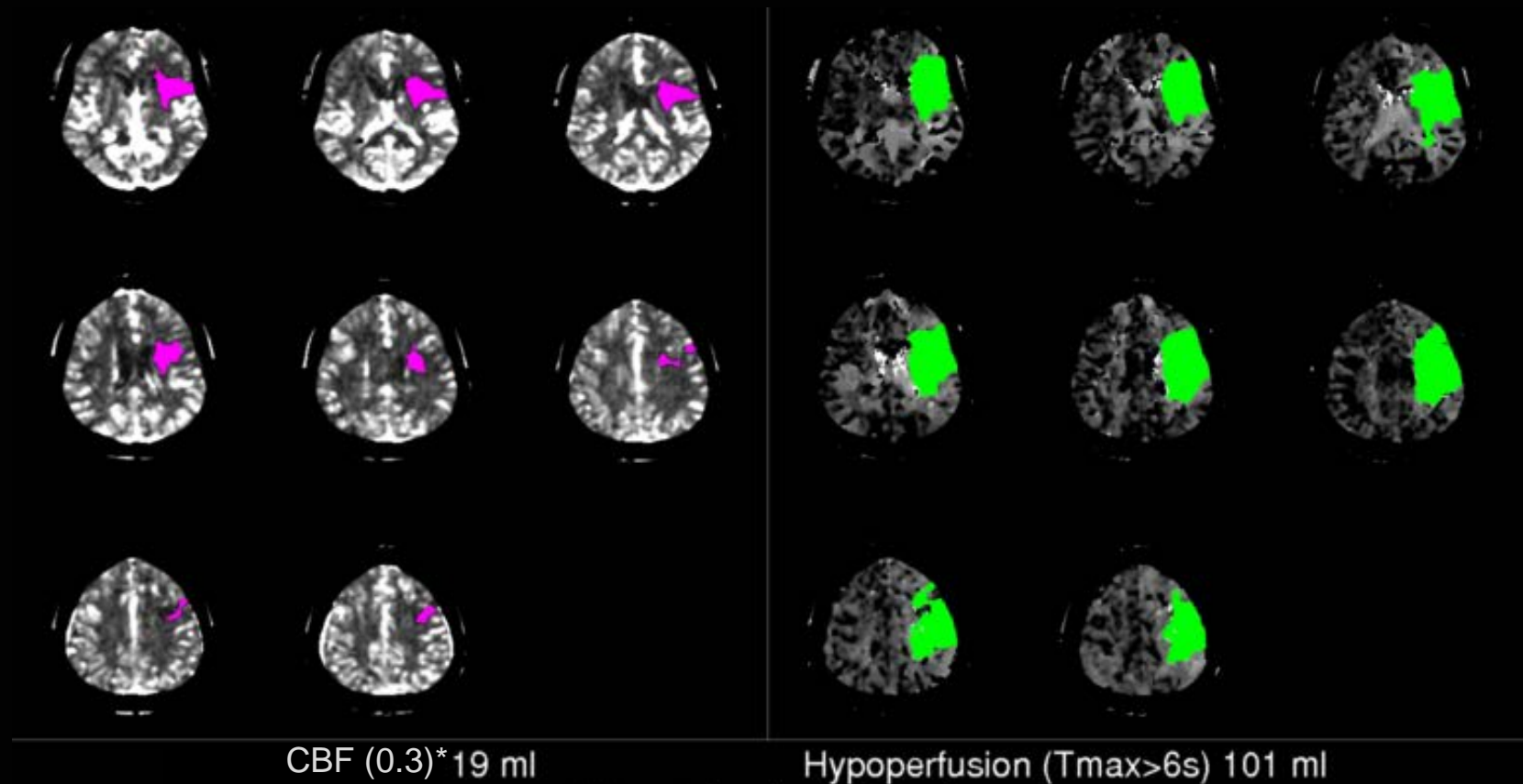
DWI (ADC<620) volume 10 ml

Perfusion (Tmax>6s) volume 76 ml

Mismatch volume: 66 ml
Mismatch ratio: 7.6

RAPID CTP Target mismatch

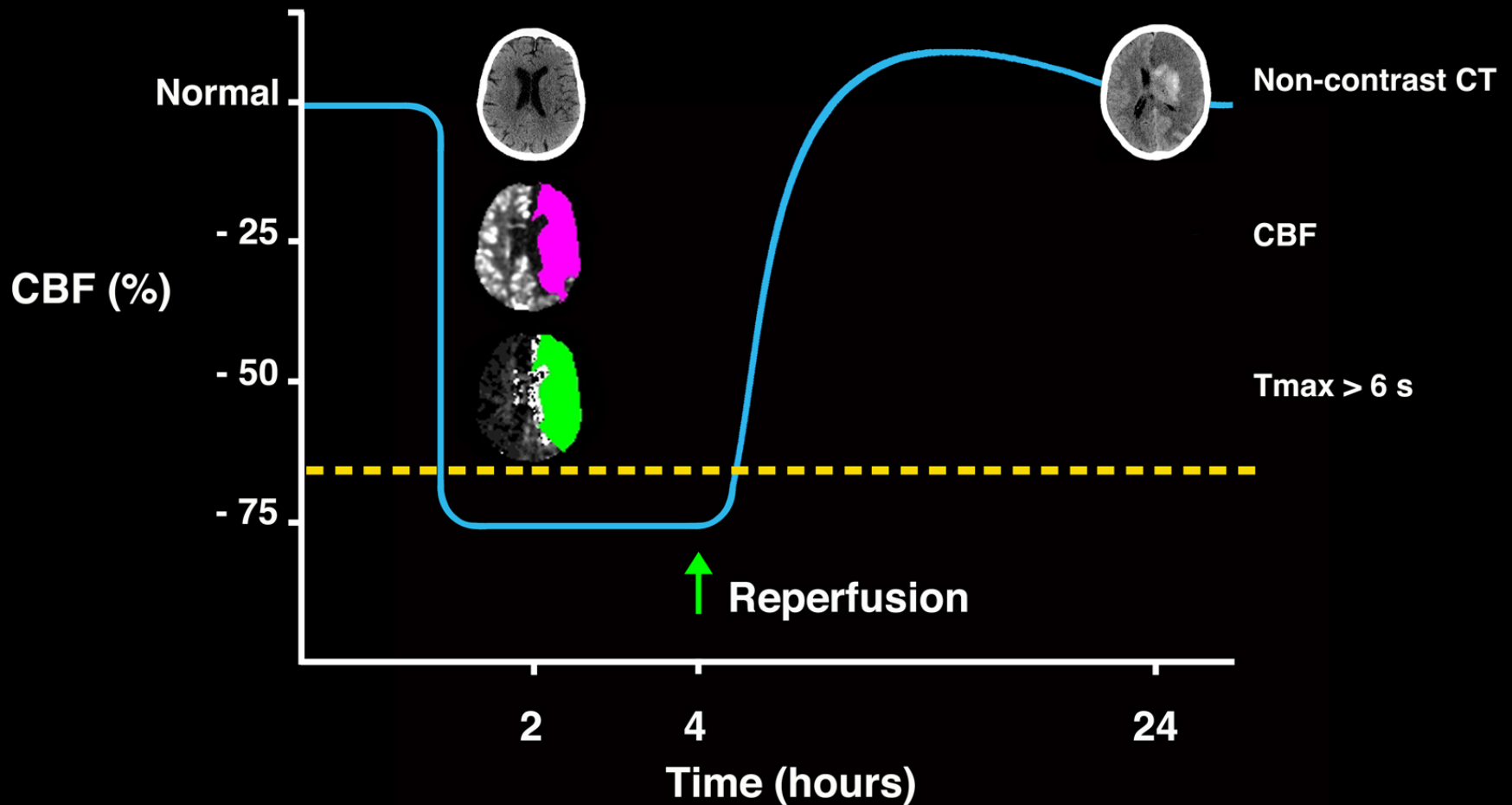
Mismatch map: directly compare volumes of ischemic core & critical hypoperfusion



*tissue with >70% reduction in CBF predicts DWI lesion volume; median absolute error, 9 ml

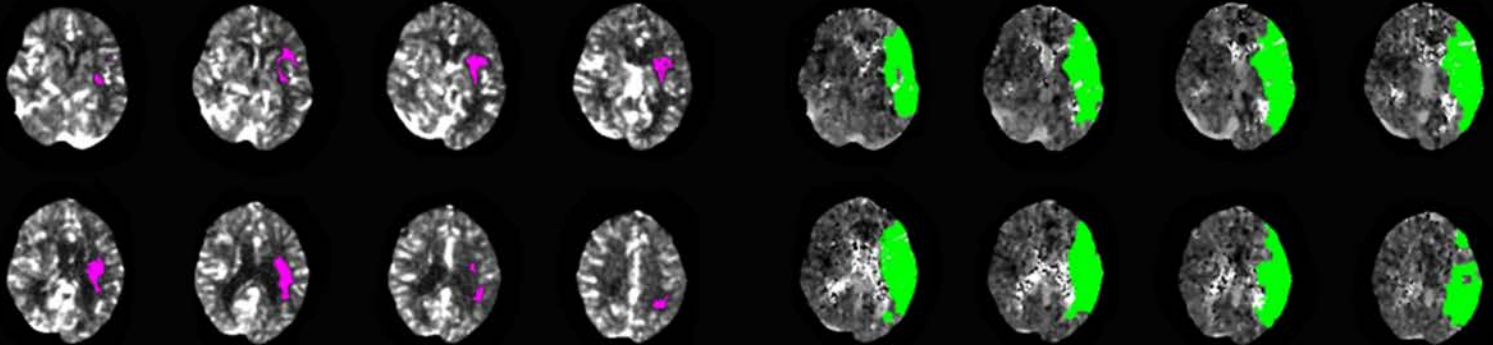
STROKE EVOLUTION

Large ischemic core



SWIFT PRIME CASE: SMALL CORE WITH COMPLETE REPERFUSION

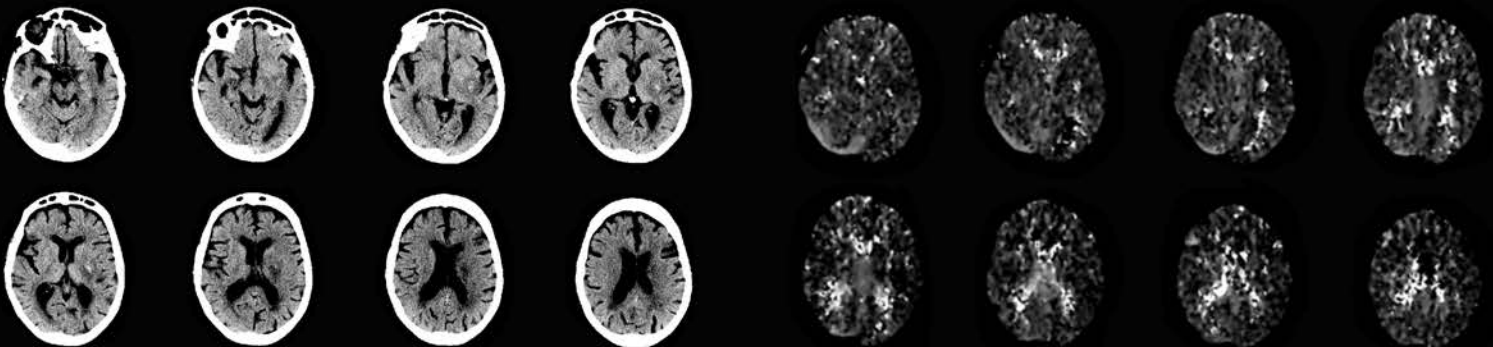
Baseline
CTP



CBF (< 30%): 11 ml

Perfusion (Tmax>6s) volume: 151 ml

24 h Follow Up
CT/CTP

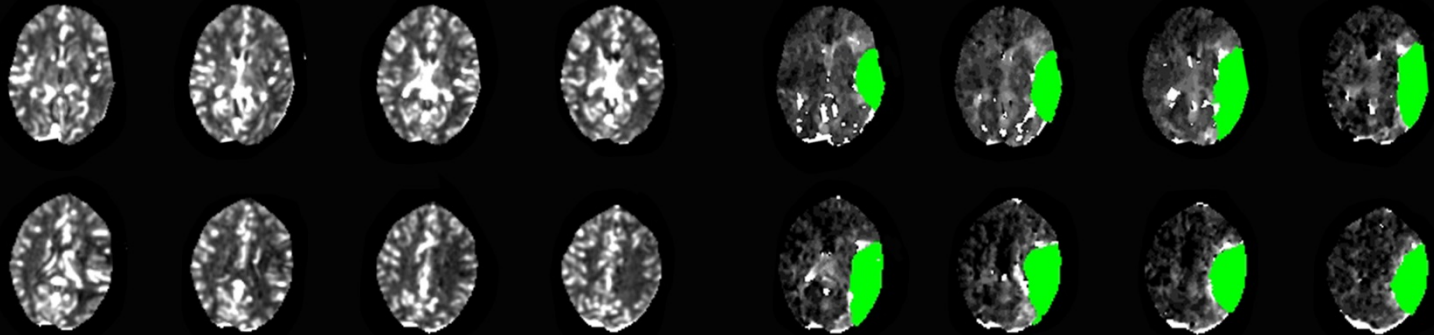


Infarct volume: 12 ml

100% Reperfusion

NO CORE WITH COMPLETE REPERFUSION

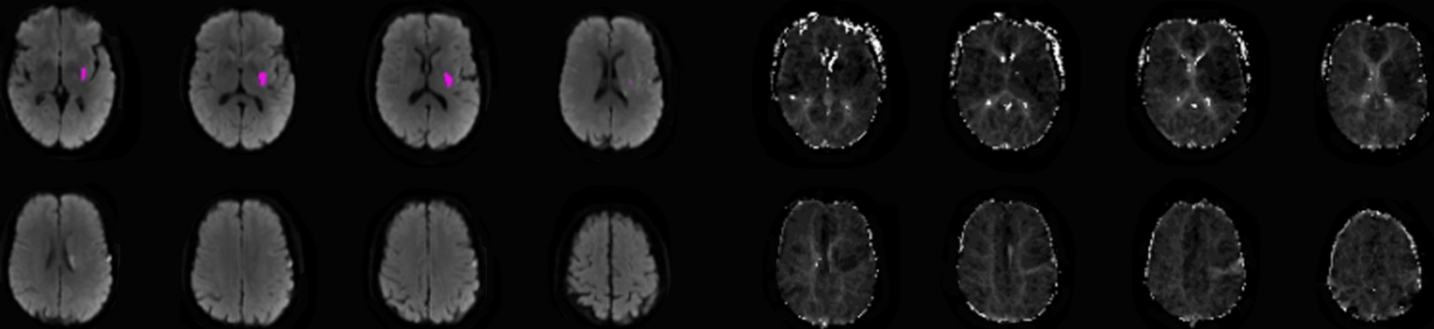
Baseline
CTP



CBF (0.3 threshold) 0 ml

Hypoperfusion (Tmax>6s) 135 ml

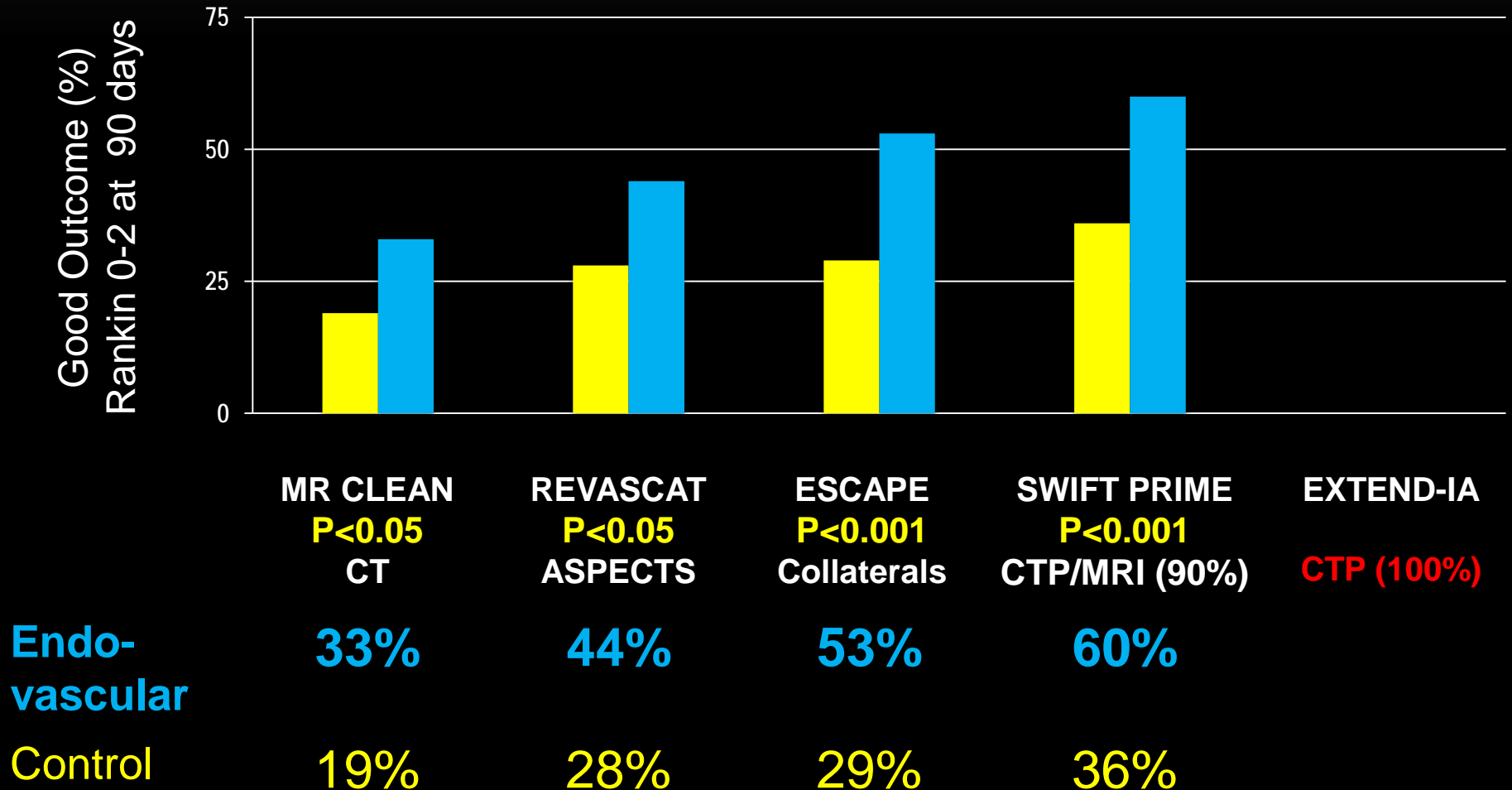
27 h Follow Up
MRI



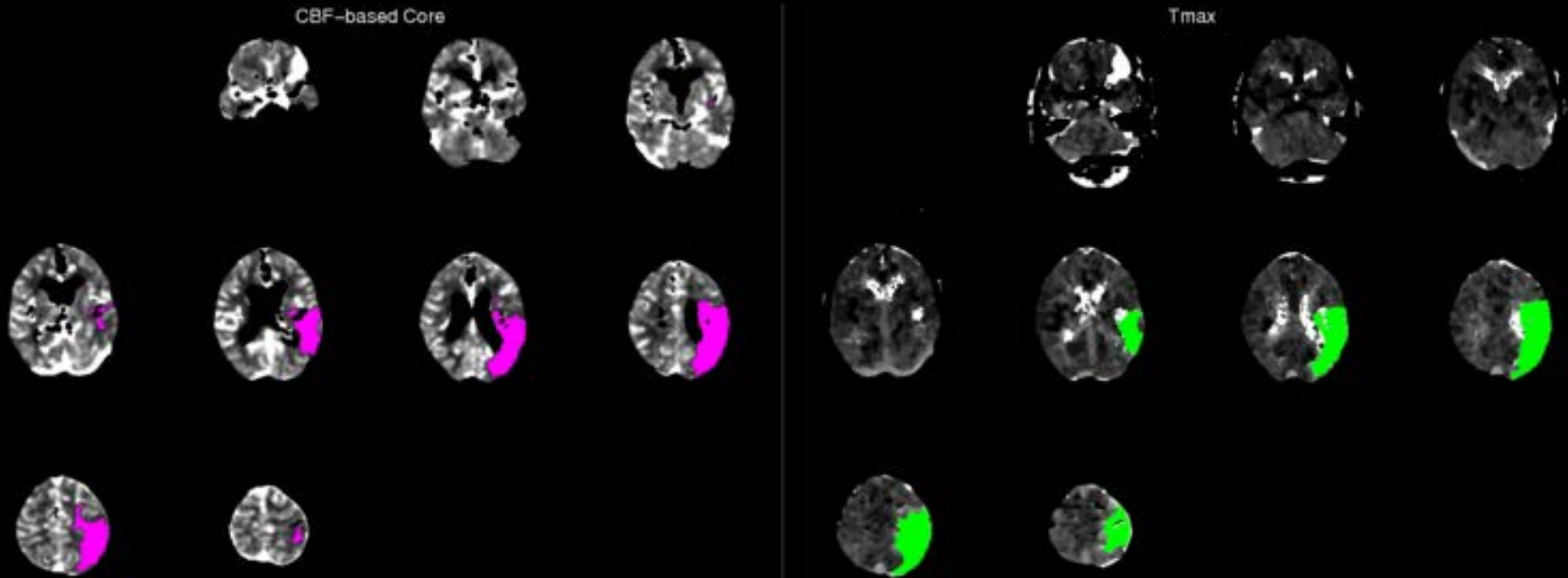
Infarct Volume 1 ml

100% Reperfusion

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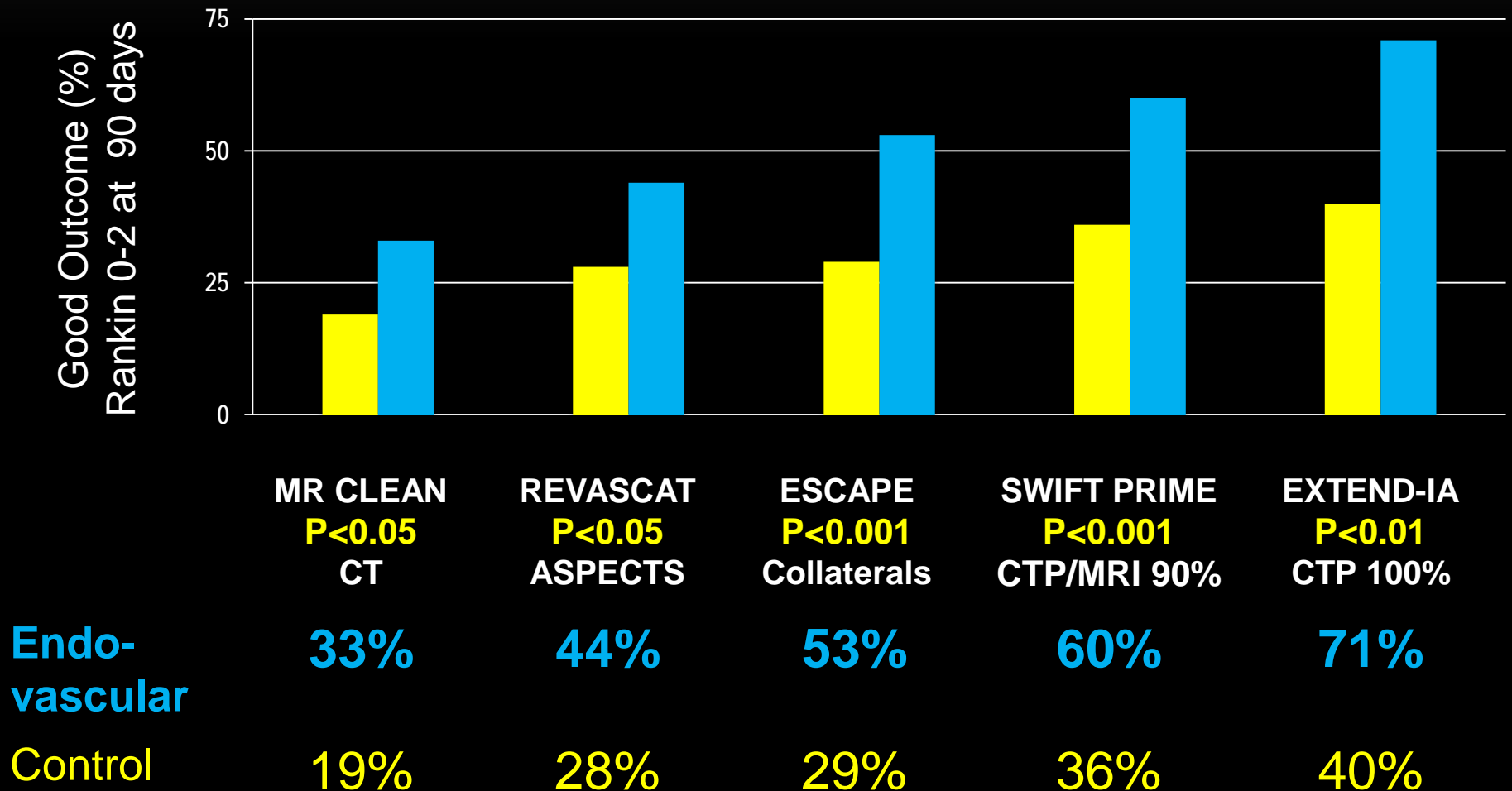


EXTEND-IA: Ischemic Core >70 ml



Ischemic Core: 73 ml Perfusion (Tmax>6s) lesion: 88 ml
Mismatch ratio: 1.2 Absolute Mismatch Difference: 16 ml
Mismatch > 1.2: YES
Absolute mismatch > 10 ml: YES
Ischemic Core < 70 ml: NO
Randomize patient: NO

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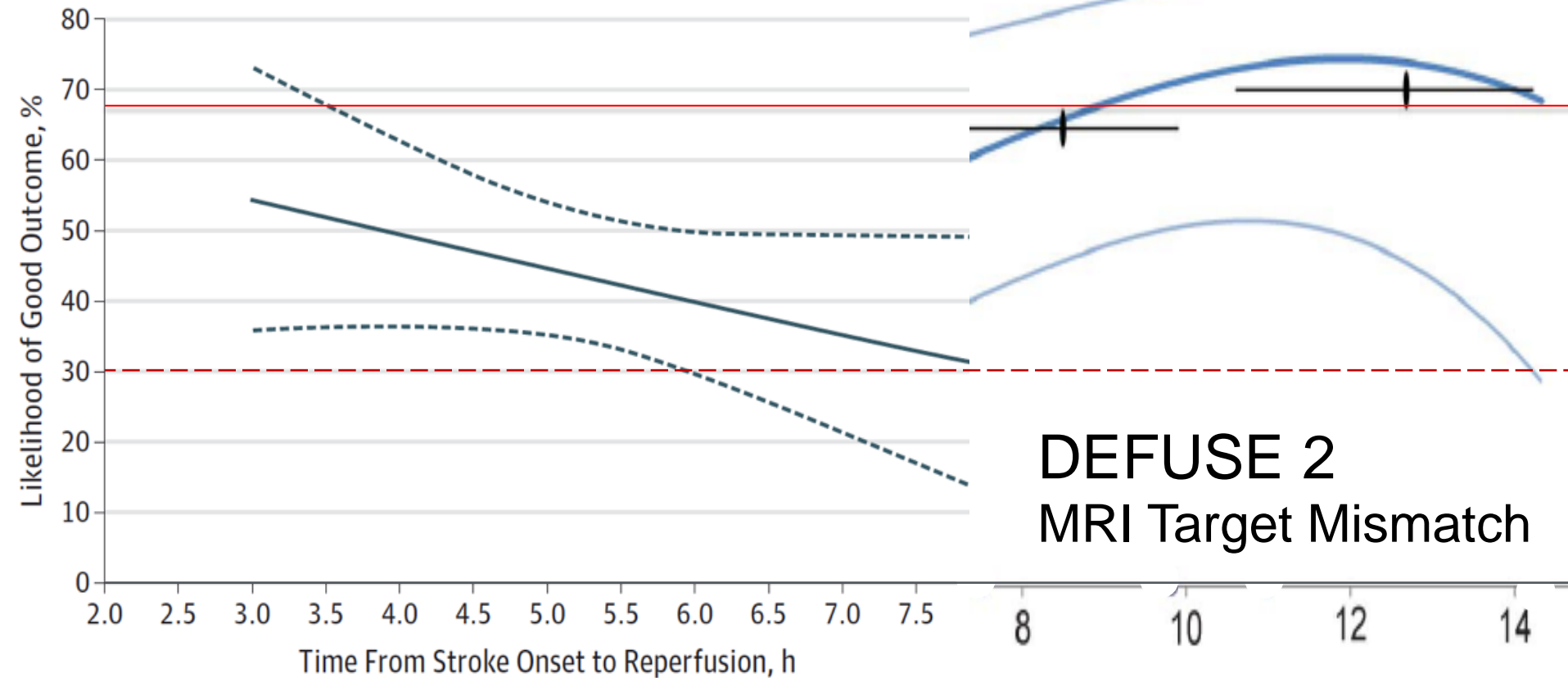
FUTURE DIRECTIONS

EXTENDING THE WINDOW FOR REPERFUSION THERAPY WITH ADVANCED IMAGING:

- Endovascular therapy
 - DEFUSE 3 (6-16 hours) CTP or MR (Target mismatch)
 - DAWN (6-24 hours) CTP or MR (small core)
 - POSITIVE (6-12 hours) CTP or MR (local criteria)
- Intravenous thrombolysis
 - EXTEND (4.5-9 hours) CTP or MR (Target mismatch)
 - ECASS 4 (4.5-9 hours) MRI (local mismatch criteria)

GOOD OUTCOME RATES FOLLOWING ENDOVASCULAR REPERFUSION

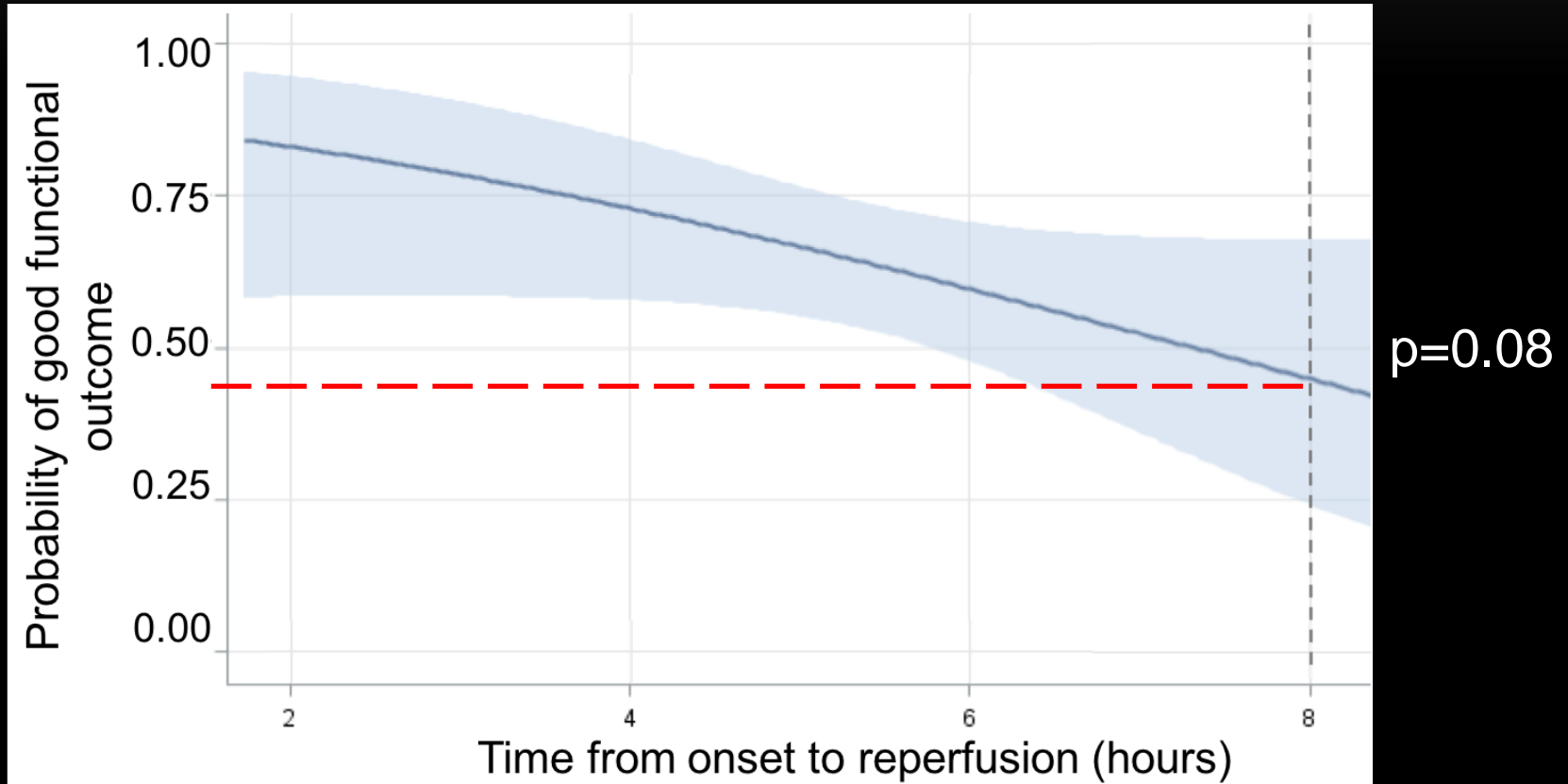
MR CLEAN



DEFUSE 2 MRI Target Mismatch

CRISP: CT PERFUSION STUDY

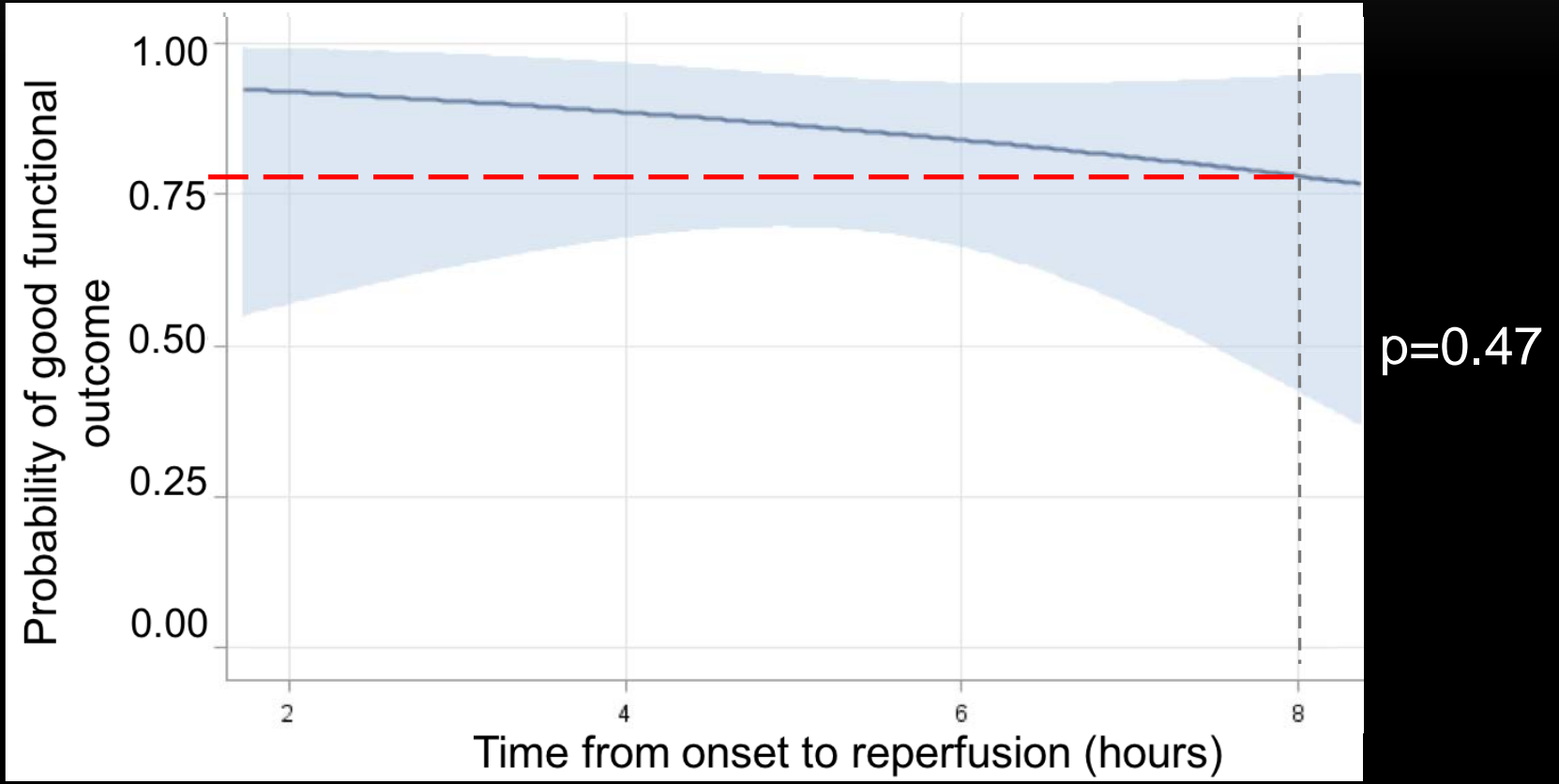
ALL REPERFUSED PATIENTS (N=164)



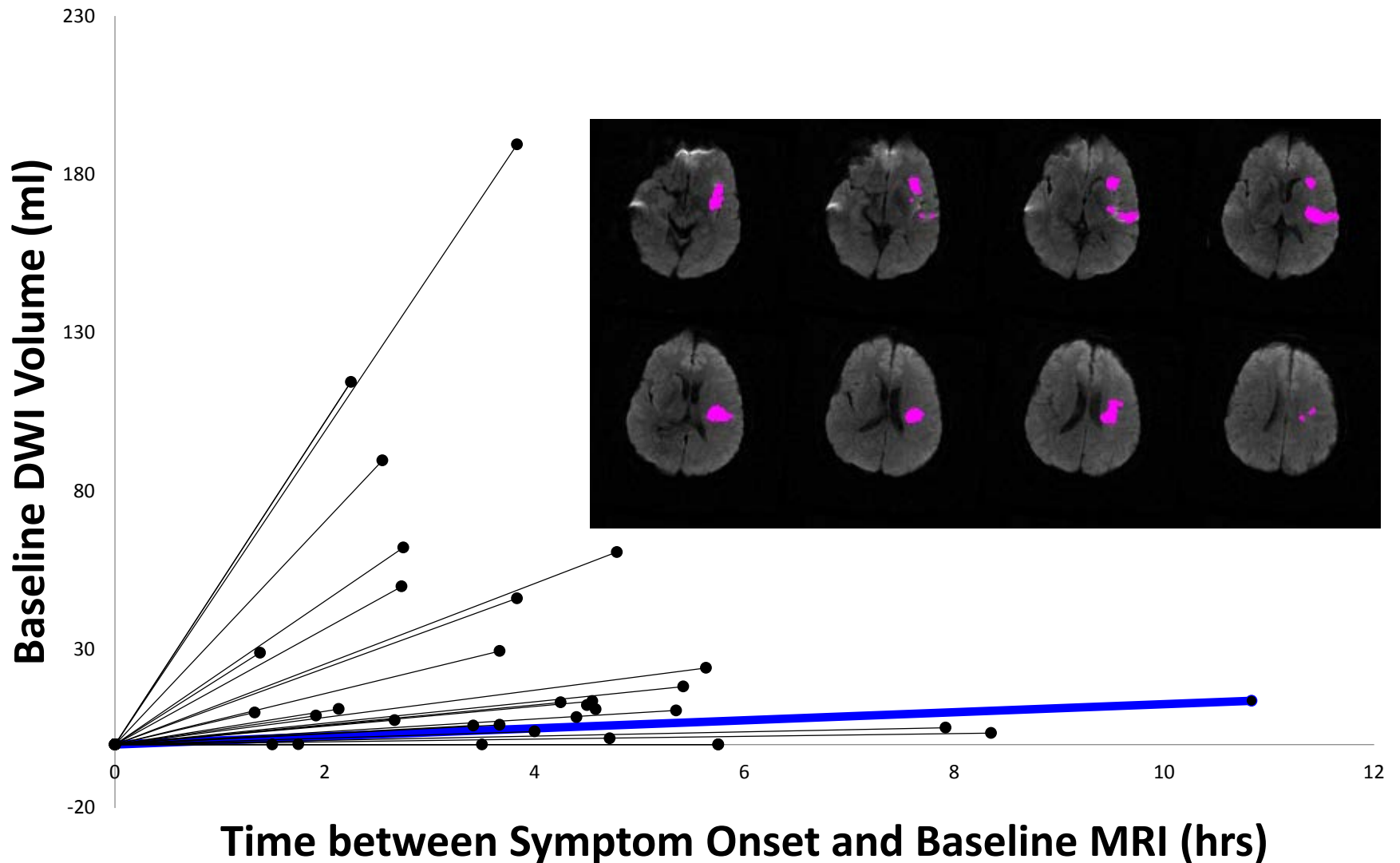
95% C.I.

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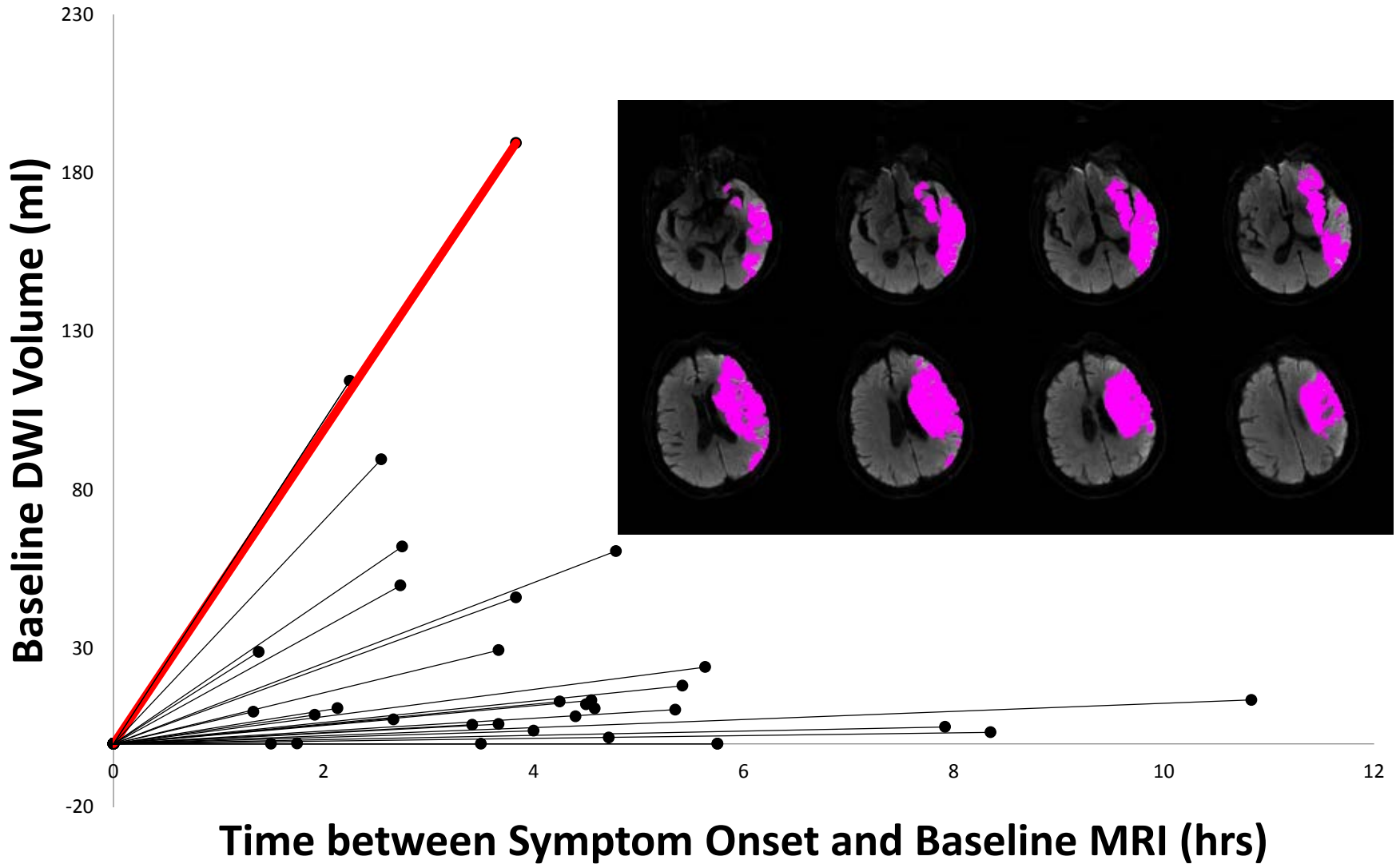
REPERFUSED CTP TARGET MISMATCH (N=111)



Initial Growth Rate: Known Onset & M1 Occlusion

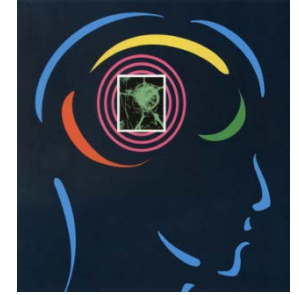


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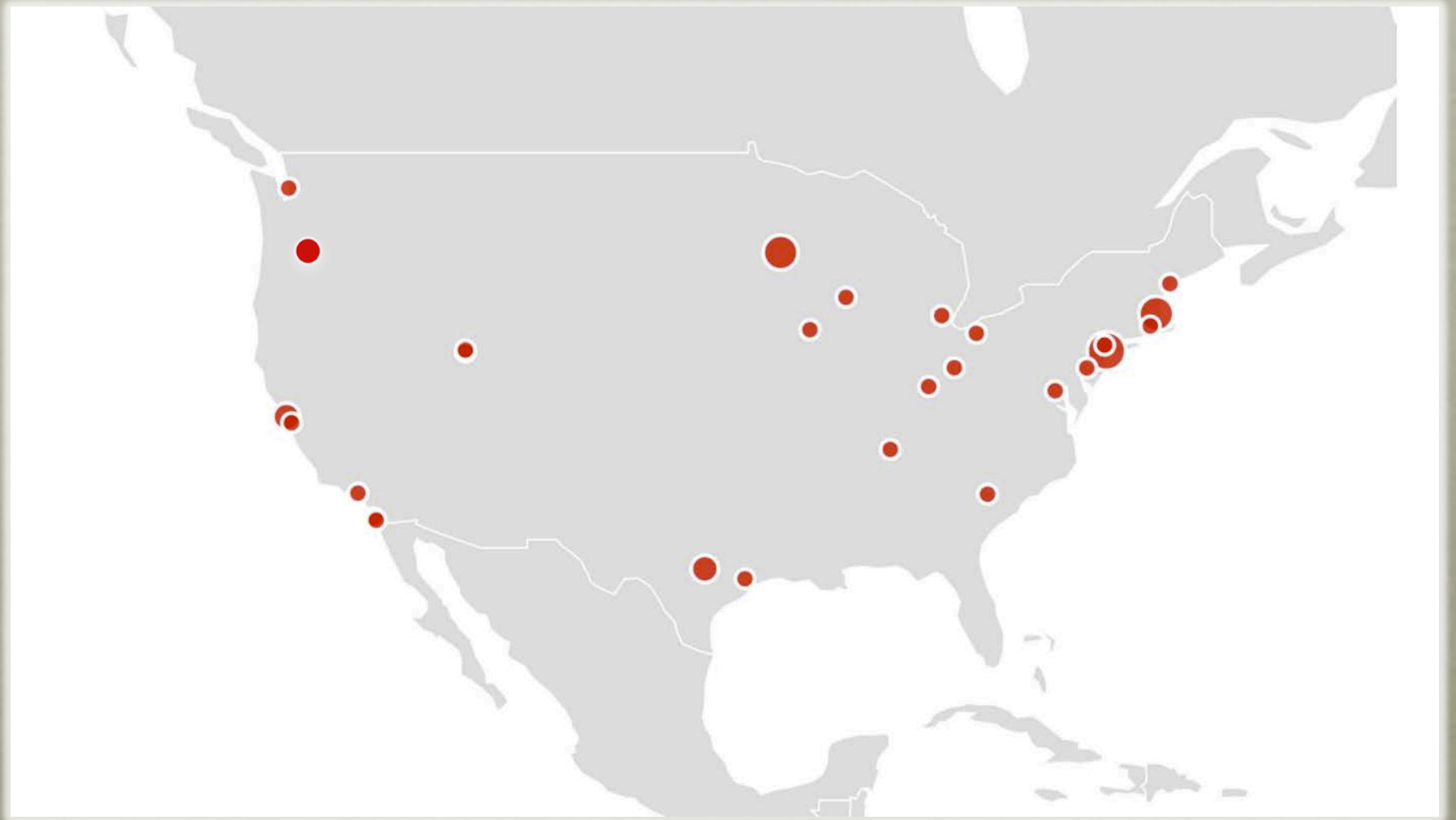


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DEFUSE 3: Study Design

- Prospective, Randomized, Open-treatment, Blinded Endpoint, Adaptive trial
- 476 patients at 45 sites
- 1:1 randomization: endovascular vs. medical therapy

6-16 hours after stroke onset

Clinical Inclusion Criteria

- Signs and symptoms consistent with an acute anterior circulation stroke
- Age 18-90 years
- Baseline NIHSS ≥ 6 immediately prior to randomization
- Endovascular treatment (femoral puncture) between 6-16 hours of stroke onset (onset is defined as time last known well)
- Pre-stroke mRS score 0-2 (= functionally fully independent for all ADLs)
- Patient or Legally Authorized Representative has signed Informed Consent

Clinical Exclusion Criteria

- Other serious, advanced, or terminal illness or life expectancy <6 months
- Pre-existing neurological /psychiatric disease that would confound evaluations
- Pregnancy
- Unable to undergo a contrast brain perfusion scan with either MRI or CT
- Known allergy to iodine that precludes an endovascular procedure
- Treated with tPA >4.5 hrs after last known well (ECASS III criteria apply if 3-4.5)
- Known hereditary or acquired hemorrhagic diathesis, coagulation factor deficiency; oral anticoagulant with INR > 3 (recent use of new oral anticoagulants ok if eGFR > 30 ml/min)

DEFUSE 3: Neuroimaging Criteria

1) MRA / CTA demonstrates

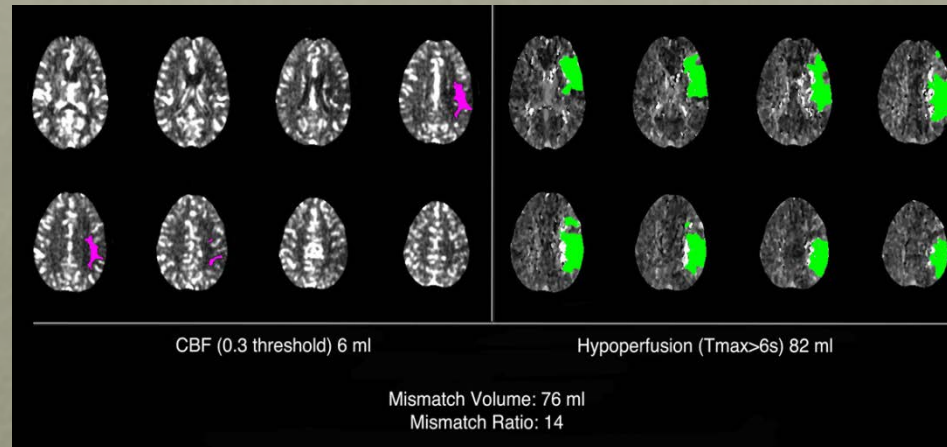
- M1 segment MCA occlusion, or
- ICA occlusion (cervical or intracranial; with or without tandem MCA lesions)

AND



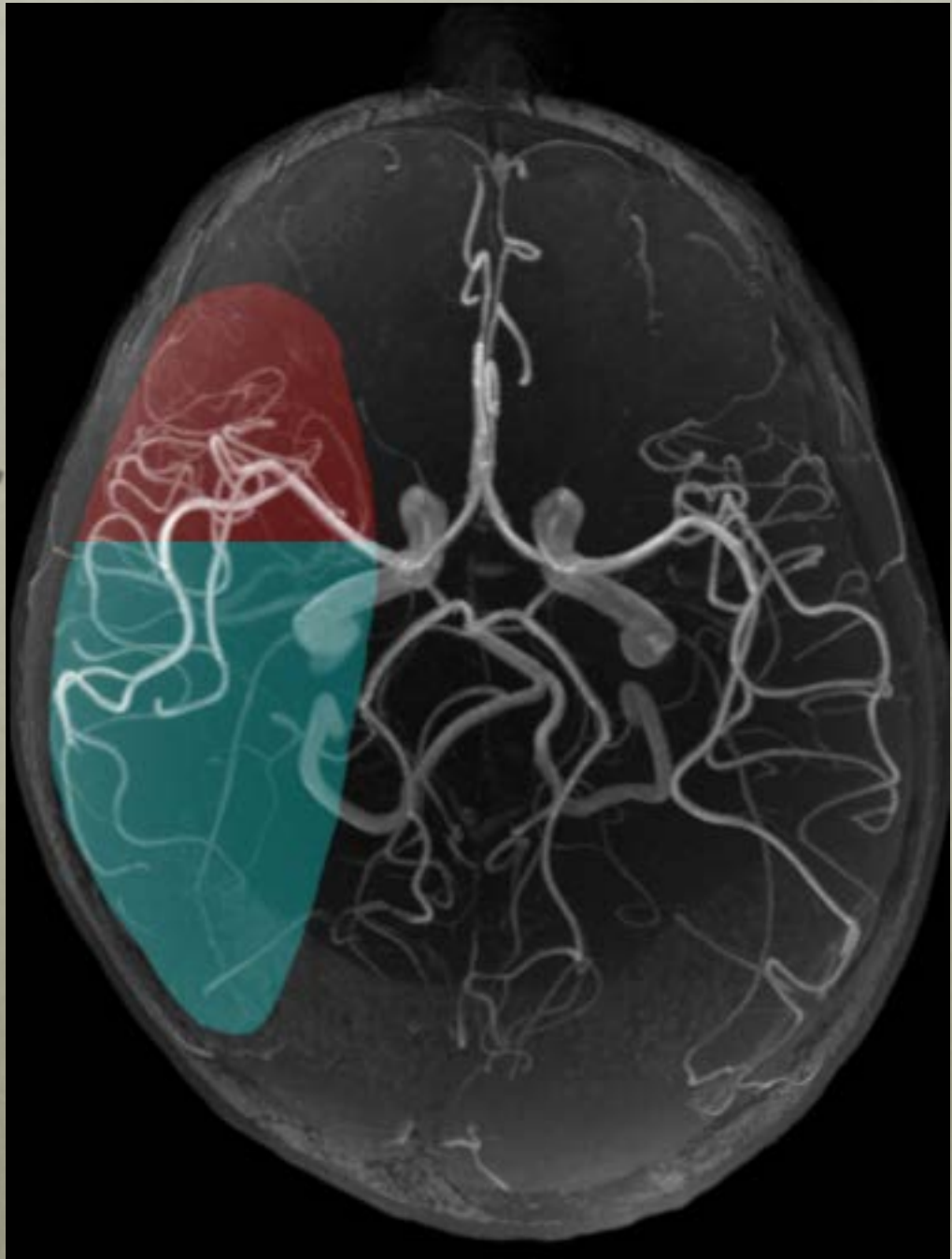
2) Target Mismatch Profile on CT perfusion or MRI (RAPID)

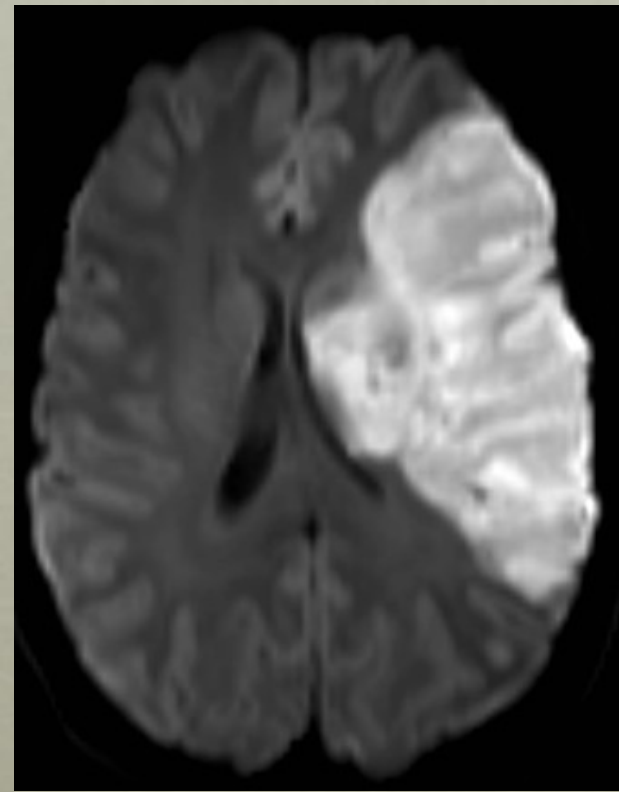
- Ischemic core < 70 mL
- Mismatch ratio ≥ 1.8
- Mismatch ≥ 15 mL



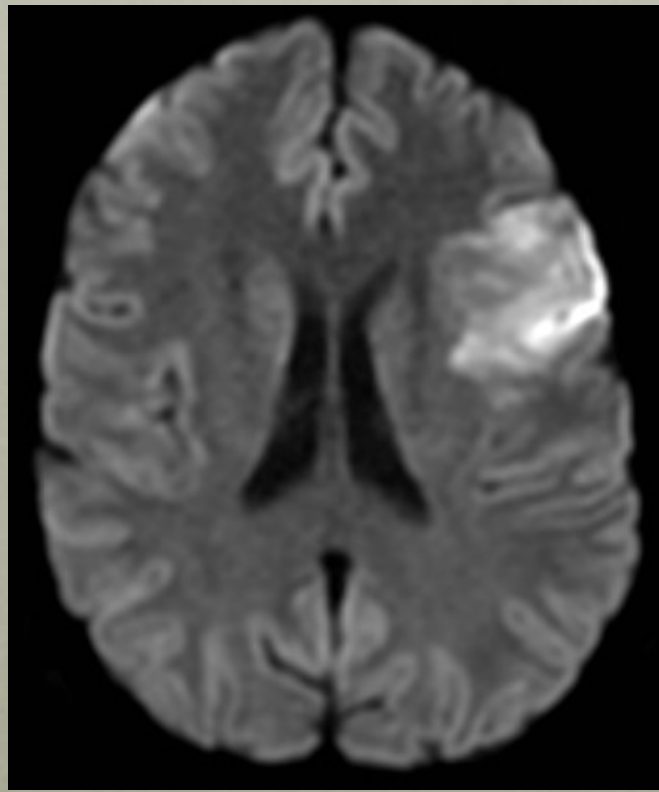
M2
Superior

M2
Inferior



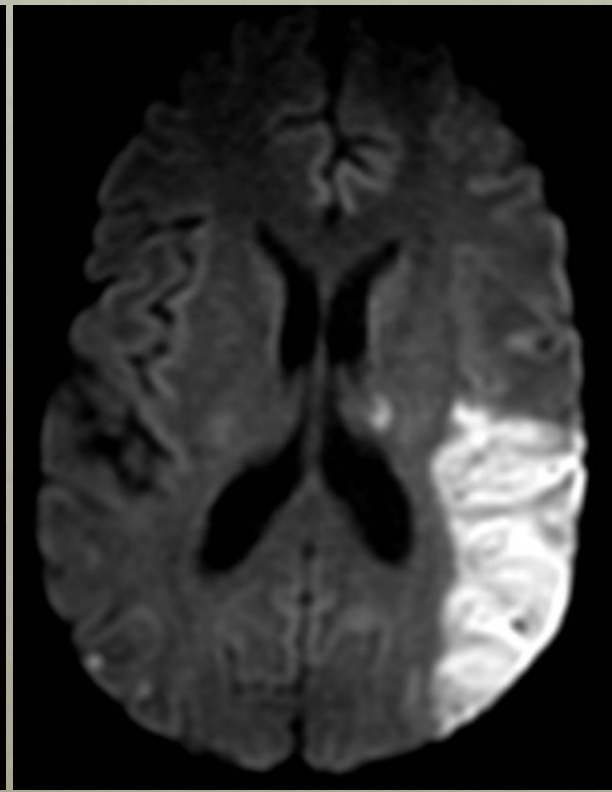


M1



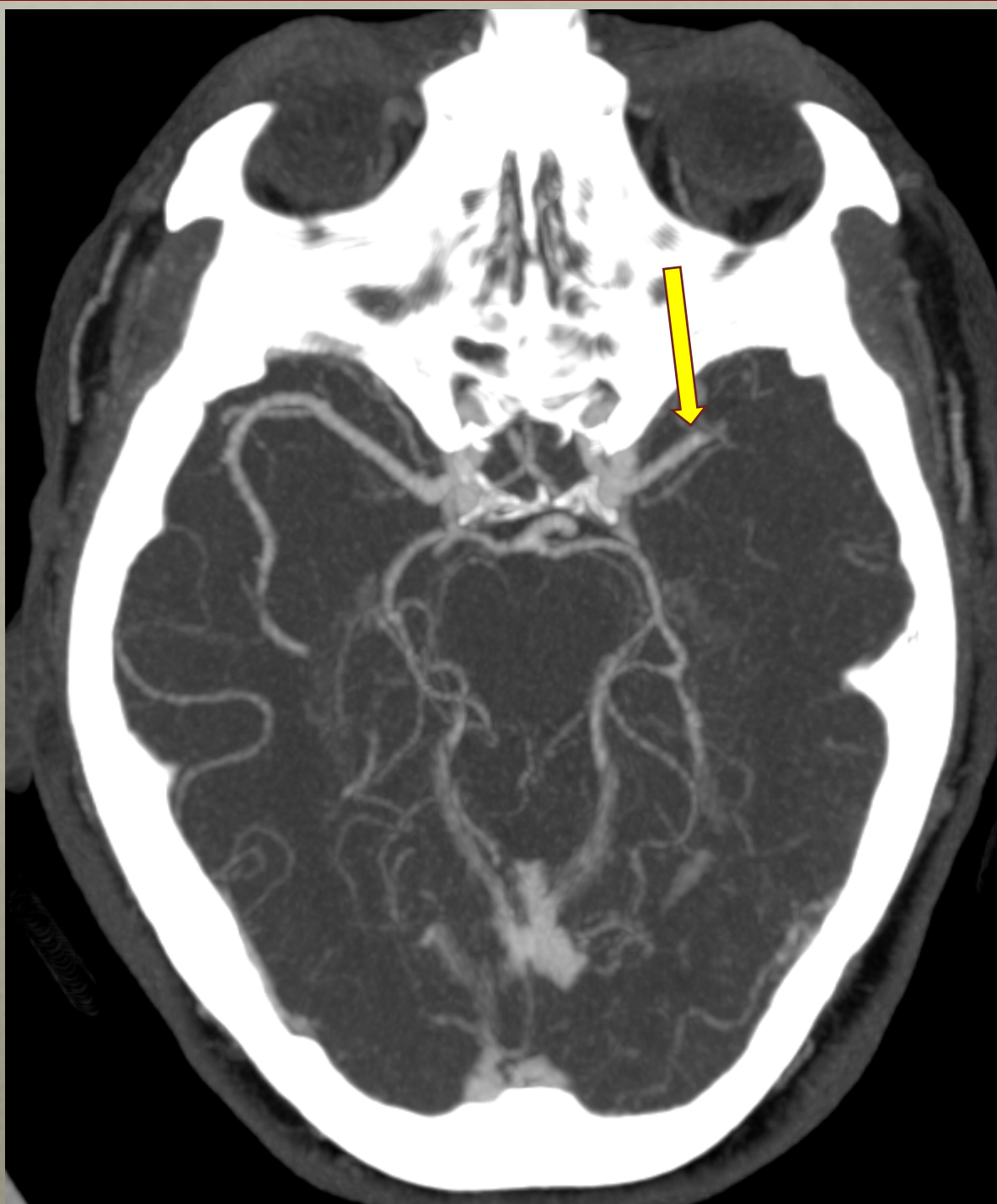
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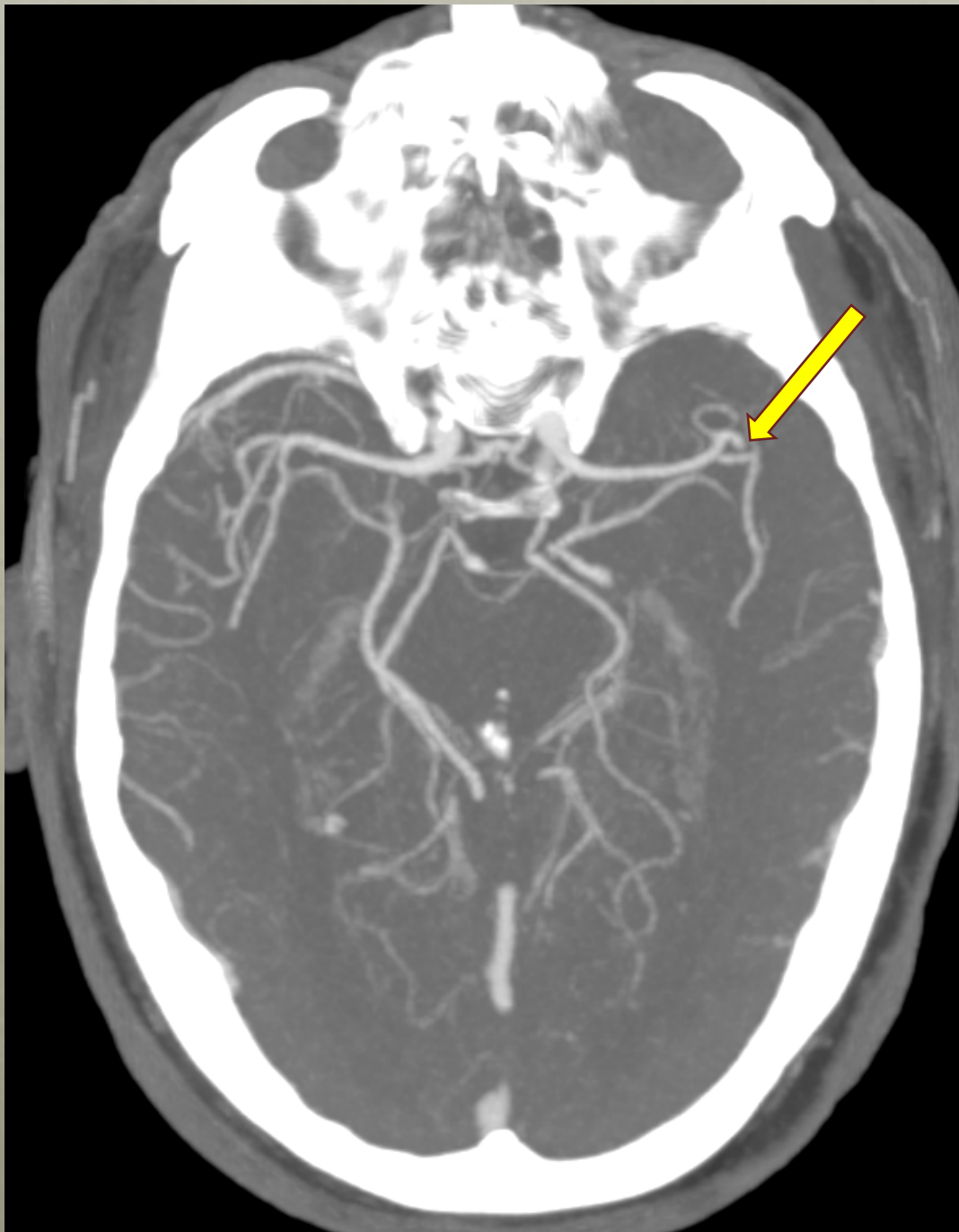


M2

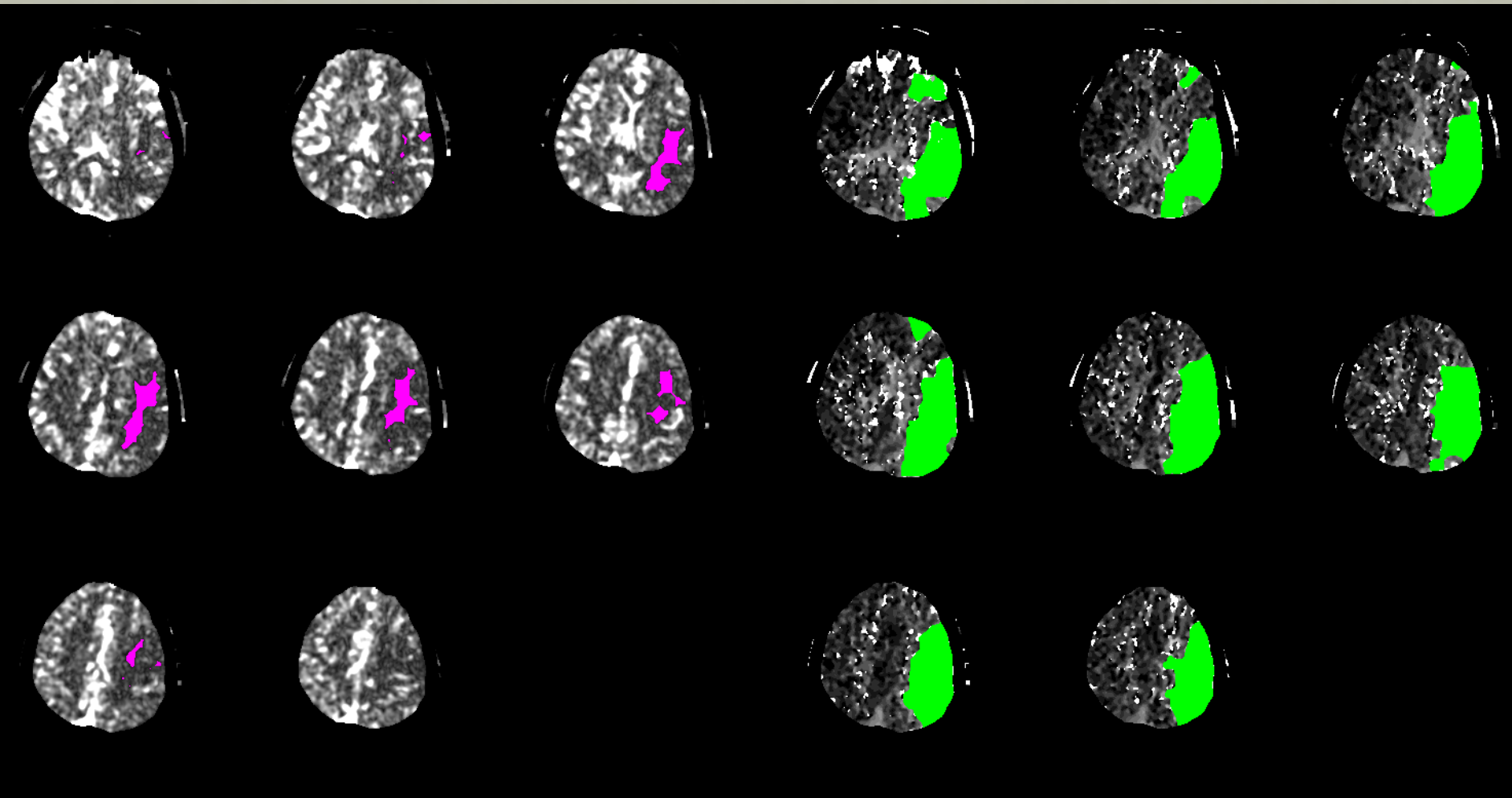
Inferior



Axial MIP from CTA- Left
MCA M1 Occlusion in the
horizontal segment of the
MCA, prior to the genu
**Qualifies for
randomization**

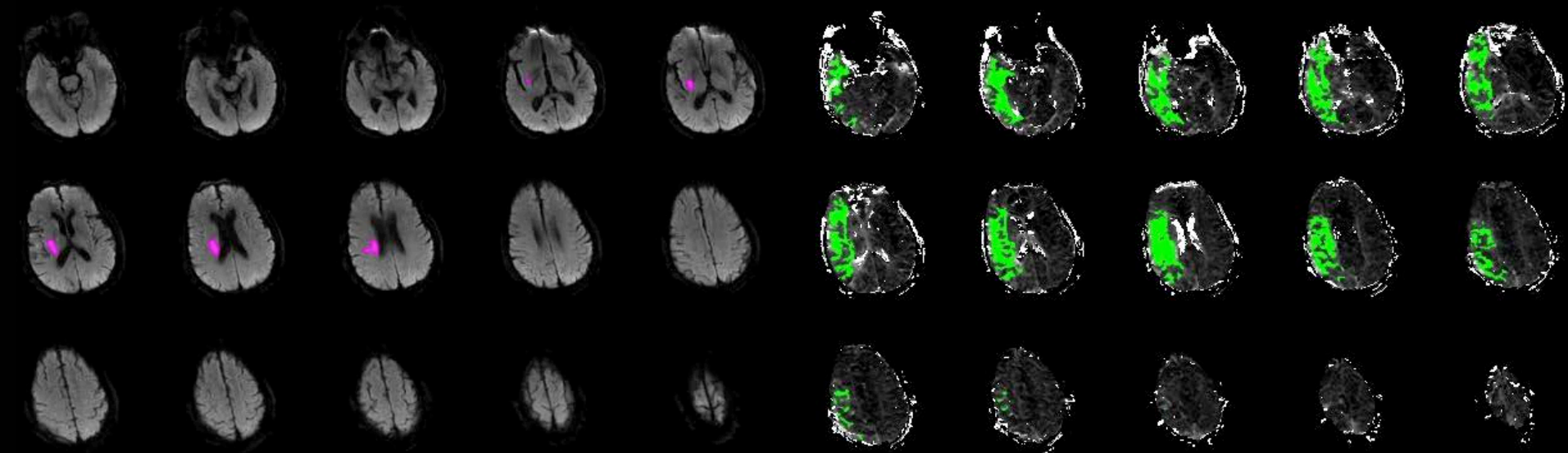


Axial MIP from CTA- Left MCA
M2 Occlusion just distal to the
genu
**Does not qualify for
randomization**



CBF (<30%) volume: 16.6 ml Perfusion (Tmax>6.0s) volume: 142.6 ml
Mismatch volume: 126.0 ml
Mismatch ratio: 8.6

May 6, 2016; Stanford site
64 yo with L sided paralysis
7.5 hours after onset



DWI (ADC<630) volume: 5.9 ml

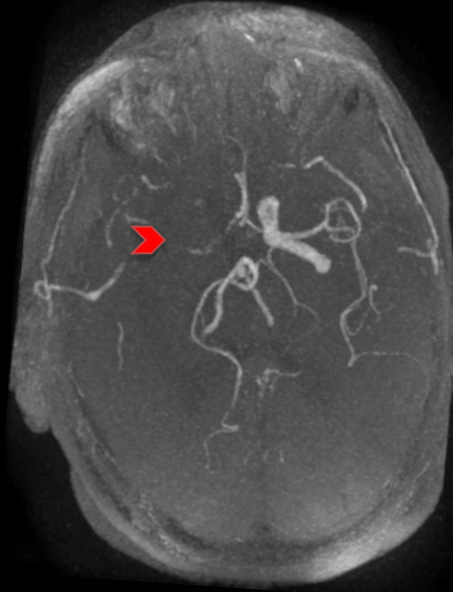
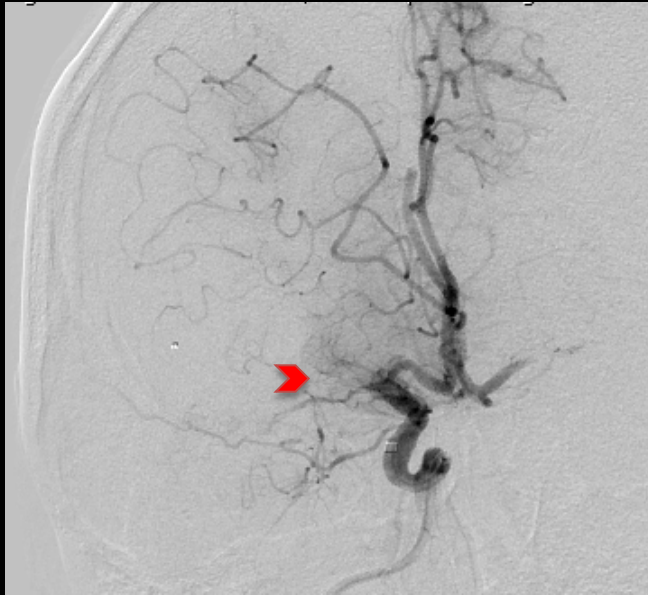
Perfusion (Tmax >6s) volume: 108.6 ml

Mismatch volume: 102.7 ml

Mismatch ratio: 18.4 ml

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7.5 hours after onset

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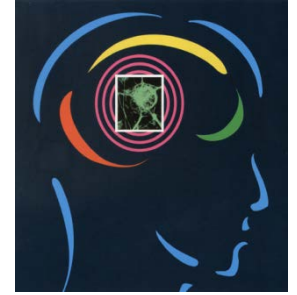
Conclusions

- Endovascular therapy within 6 hrs of onset for patients with MCA M1 or ICA occlusions is highly effective and safe using modern stent-retrievers
- Optimal patient selection and prompt triage to endovascular centers is essential
- Patients with small ischemic core lesions who achieve complete reperfusion have exceptional clinical outcomes
- Infarct growth rates are highly variable (tissue vs. time)
- Future studies will clarify the role of endovascular therapy in extended time windows

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