WRAP-IT: Antibacterial Envelope to Prevent Cardiac Implantable Device Infection



multicenter, randomized, controlled, prospective, single-blind trial

Objective: To assess the safety and efficacy of an absorbable, antibiotic-eluting envelope in reducing the incidence of infection associated with cardiac implantable electronic devices (CIED) implantations.





6,983 patients undergoing CIED generator replacement or a system upgrade with or without new leads, those undergoing CIED pocket or lead revision, and those undergoing an initial CRT-D procedure.



CIED envelope (n=3,495)



Control group (n=3,488)

6.9%

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Primary Outcome



6.0%

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Infection, long-term antibiotic therapy with 0.7% infection recurrence, or death, within 12 months 1.2%HR 0.60; 95% CI, 0.36 to 0.98; P=0.04

Secondary Outcome

Procedure-related or system-related complications within 12 months HR 0.87; 95% CI, 0.72 to 1.06; P<0.001 for noninferiority

Major CIED-related infections (n)

HR 0.63; 95% Cl, 0.40 to 0.98

Adjunctive use of an antibacterial envelope significantly lowers incidence of major CIED infections versus standard-of-care infection prevention strategies alone, without a higher incidence of complications.

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