

RANDOMIZED CONTROLLED PATENT FORAMEN OVALE (PFO) CLOSURE TRIALS

Atrial fibrillation (AFib) and
atrial flutter clinical outcomes

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PFO closure and AFib: A clinical outcome review

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Randomized controlled PFO closure trials: AFib and atrial flutter clinical outcomes

The data presented below are from separate and independent clinical studies with different patient populations and interventions and thus not a direct head-to-head comparison.

	Gore REDUCE Clinical Study² Closure (N = 441) (median 5 years)
Any AFib	30 (6.8%)
Any atrial flutter	2 (0.5%) ^{a,4}
Serious AFib	10 (2.3%)
Serious atrial flutter	1 (0.2%) ⁴
Serious device- or procedure-related AFib	2 (0.5%) ⁴
Serious device- or procedure-related atrial flutter	0 (0%) ⁴

	RESPECT Clinical Study³ Closure (N = 499) (median 5.9 years)
Any AFib	22 (4.4%) ⁵
Any atrial flutter	2 (0.4%) ⁵
Serious AFib	6 (1.2%)
Serious atrial flutter	1 (0.2%)
Serious device or procedure related AFib	2 (0.4%)
Serious device or procedure related atrial flutter	1 (0.2%)

Both studies only had 1 patient with recurrent stroke and AFib

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	Gore REDUCE Clinical Study² Closure (N = 441) (median 5 years)
Subjects with post-implant AFib or atrial flutter who had a recurrent stroke	1 (0.2%)
	RESPECT Clinical Study³ Closure (N = 499) (median 5.9 years)
Subjects with post-implant AFib or atrial flutter who had a recurrent stroke	1 (0.2%)

a. Two subjects who experienced AFib also experienced atrial flutter.⁴

Understanding AFib and atrial flutter data in the REDUCE Study

The majority of the AFib and atrial flutter cases in the REDUCE Study were nonserious, early onset, and resolved.^{1,2,b}

67% of AFib or atrial flutter cases were considered nonserious (20/30)^{2,4}

AFib detected within 45 days after procedure ⁴	24/30 (80%)
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Cases that resolved within 2 weeks of onset ⁴	18/30 (60%)
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The REDUCE Study continues to show the largest reduction in recurrent ischemic stroke in all PFO shunt sizes over medical management alone.^{1,2,b}

Randomized controlled PFO closure trials: Relative stroke reduction

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	REDUCE Study ²
Ischemic stroke reduction relative to medical management intention to treat	69%
Number needed to treat to prevent 1 recurrent stroke at 5 years	25
	RESPECT Study ³
Ischemic stroke reduction relative to medical management intention to treat	45% ³
Number needed to treat to prevent 1 recurrent stroke at 5 years	42 ⁵

b. The REDUCE Study determined the safety and efficacy of PFO closure with the GORE® CARDIOFORM Septal Occluder or GORE® HELEX® Septal Occluder plus antiplatelet medical management compared to antiplatelet medical management alone in patients with a PFO and history of cryptogenic stroke. All PFO anatomies were incorporated into this study within the indicated sizing parameters of the *Instructions for Use*.

GORE® CARDIOFORM Septal Occluder



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