

Do you know the published stroke rate for VADs?

HeartMate II® has the lowest published stroke rate of any continuous-flow LVAD^{1,2,*}

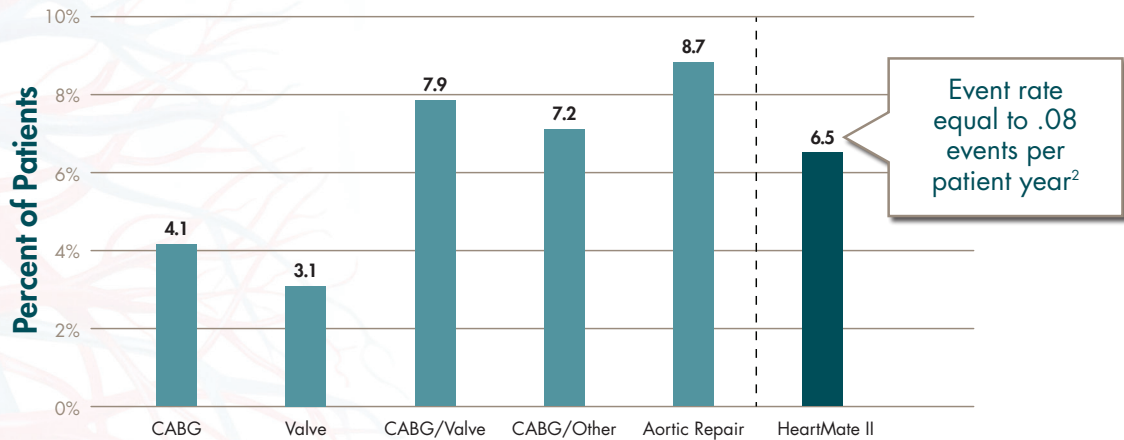
- More than **15,000** patients worldwide; ongoing patients now exceeding 8 years³
- The most widely used, extensively studied LVAD in the world

*Based on published data from multicenter experience and separate studies, which may involve different patient populations and other variables. Please refer to the HeartMate II Instructions for Use about indications, contraindications, adverse events, warnings, and precautions. <http://www.thoratec.com/medical-professionals/resource-library/ifus-manuals/heartmate-ii-lvad.aspx>.

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HeartMate II® stroke rates² are similar to other commonly accepted cardiac surgical procedures⁴



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