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Lecture: Future of Cardiovascular and
Thoracic Surgery
Achievements, Innovation and Future Directions

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Future lies in....

Big Picture Procedurally

- Reparative valve surgery (especially minimally invasive & robotic approaches)
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 - TAVR ... (The big concept)
 - Transcatheter mitral valve replacement
 - Transcatheter pulmonic valve replacement



Minimally invasive approach provides at least equivalent results for surgical correction of mitral regurgitation: A propensity-matched comparison

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Objective: Minimally invasive approaches to mitral valve surgery are increasingly used, but the surgical approach must not compromise the clinical outcome for improved cosmesis. We examined the outcomes of mitral repair performed through right minithoracotomy or median sternotomy.

Methods: Between January 2002 and October 2011, 1011 isolated mitral valve repairs were performed in the University of Pennsylvania health system (455 sternotomies, 556 right minithoracotomies). To account for key differences in preoperative risk profiles, propensity scores identified 201 well-matched patient pairs with mitral regurgitation of any cause and 153 pairs with myxomatous disease.

Results: In-hospital mortality was similar between propensity-matched groups (0% vs 0% for the degenerative cohort; 0% vs 0.5%, $P = .5$ for the overall cohort; in minimally invasive and sternotomy groups, respectively). Incidence of stroke, infection, myocardial infarction, exploration for postoperative hemorrhage, renal failure, and atrial fibrillation also were comparable. Transfusion was less frequent in the minimally invasive groups (11.8% vs 20.3%, $P = .04$ for the degenerative cohort; 14.0% vs 22.9%, $P = .03$ for the overall cohort), but time to extubation and discharge was similar. A 99% repair rate was achieved in patients with myxomatous disease, and a minimally invasive approach did not significantly increase the likelihood of a failed repair resulting in mitral valve replacement. Patients undergoing minimally invasive mitral repair were more likely to have no residual post-repair mitral regurgitation (97.4% vs 92.1%, $P = .04$ for the degenerative cohort; 95.5% vs 89.6%, $P = .02$ for the overall cohort). In the overall matched cohort, early readmission rates were higher in patients undergoing sternotomies (12.6% vs 4.4%, $P = .01$). Over 9 years of follow-up, there was no significant difference in long-term survival between groups ($P = .8$).

Conclusions: In appropriate patients with isolated mitral valve disease of any cause, a right minithoracotomy approach may be used without compromising clinical outcome. (J Thorac Cardiovasc Surg 2013;145:748-56)

A Population-Based Analysis of Robotic-Assisted Mitral Valve Repair

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Background. Robotic-assisted mitral valve repair is becoming more frequently performed in cardiac surgery. However, little is known about its utilization and safety at a national level.

Methods. Patients undergoing mitral valve repair in the United States from 2008 to 2012 were identified in the National Inpatient Sample. Inhospital mortality, complications, length of stay, and cost for patients undergoing robotic-assisted mitral valve repair were compared with patients undergoing nonrobotic procedures.

Results. We identified 50,408 isolated mitral valve repair surgeries, of which 3,145 were done with robotic assistance. In a propensity score matched analysis of 631 pairs of patients, we found no difference between patients

undergoing robotic-assisted and nonrobotic-assisted mitral valve repair with respect to inhospital mortality, complications, or composite outcomes in unadjusted or multivariable analyses. Robotic-assisted mitral valve repair surgery was associated with a shorter median length of stay (4 versus 6 days, $p < 0.001$), and there was no difference in median total costs between the two procedures.

Conclusions. In our analysis of a large national database with its inherent limitations, robotic-assisted mitral valve repair was found to be safe, with an acceptable morbidity and mortality profile.

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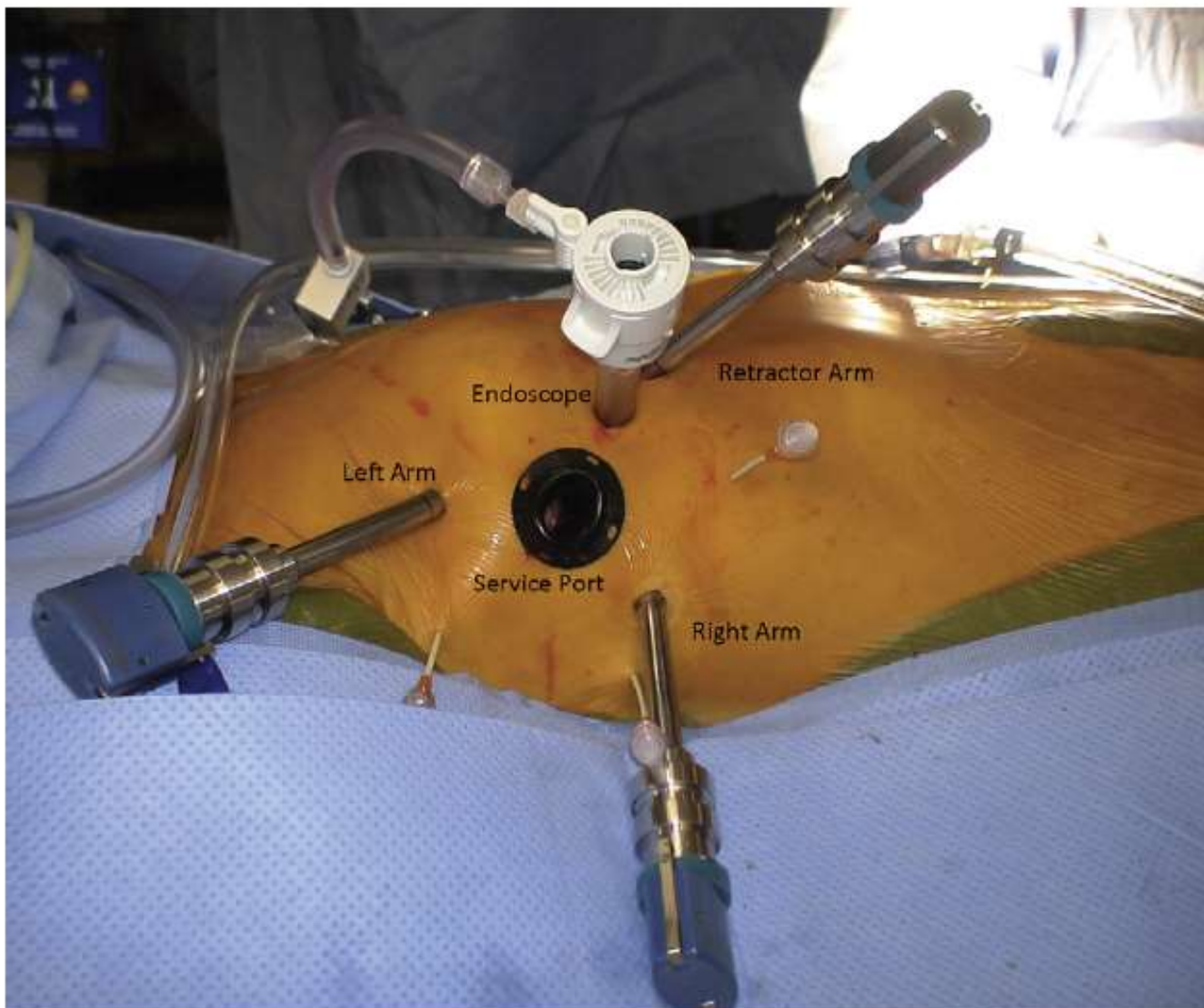


Fig 1. Port placement for lateral endoscopic approach using robotics (LEAR) surgery.

No Difference in Outcomes

Table 2. Inhospital Outcomes for National Sample and Propensity-Matched Cohort

Outcomes	Unmatched Cohort			Propensity Matched Cohort		
	Robotic MV Repair n = 3,145	MV Repair n = 47,263	p Value	Robotic MV Repair n = 631	MV Repair n = 631	p Value
Inhospital mortality ^a	40 (1.3)	1,039 (2.2)	0.048	*	*	0.78
Composite outcome ^b	141 (4.5)	2,863 (6.1)	0.07	27 (4.3)	20 (3.2)	0.31
Length of stay, days	4 (3–6)	7 (5–9)	0.004	4 (3–6)	6 (4–8)	<0.001
Morbidity						
Any complication	1,173 (37.3)	17,552 (37.1)	0.94	236 (37.4)	217 (34.4)	0.26
Cardiovascular complications	132 (4.2)	2,339 (4.9)	0.36	26 (4.1)	19 (3.0)	0.28
Stroke	112 (3.6)	1,926 (4.1)	0.51	22 (3.5)	15 (2.4)	0.25
Pulmonary complications	950 (30.2)	13,440 (28.4)	0.35	193 (30.6)	171 (27.1)	0.16
Infectious complications	115 (3.7)	2,818 (6.0)	0.004	22 (3.5)	21 (3.3)	0.88
Iatrogenic complications ^c	206 (6.5)	2,590 (5.5)	0.30	41 (6.5)	32 (5.1)	0.29
Discharge status ^a			<0.001			0.07
Routine	2,046 (65.1)	21,228 (44.9)		220 (34.9)	251 (39.8)	
Nonroutine ^d	1,097 (34.9)	26,013 (55.1)		411 (65.1)	380 (60.2)	
Cost ^e						
Total charges, USD	114,959 (92,036–161,358)	123,313 (85,840–186,758)	0.34	114,846 (92,036–161,358)	113,331 (81,237–166,835)	0.16
Estimated total costs, USD	33,720 (26,537–45,099)	34,509 (26,238–47,513)	0.44	33,638 (26,473–45,099)	31,756 (25,001–43,127)	0.06

* Less than 10. ^a Less than 1% missing data. ^b Composite outcome consists of death or stroke. ^c Accidental puncture or laceration complicating surgery, bleeding complicating procedure. ^d Including inhospital death. ^e Cost is estimated using National Inpatient Sample charge data, cost-to-charge ratio files, and a scaling factor by diagnosis-related group published by Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project in 2009; less than 10% missing cost/charge data.

Values are median (IQR) or n (%).

IQR = interquartile range; MV = mitral valve; USD = US dollars.



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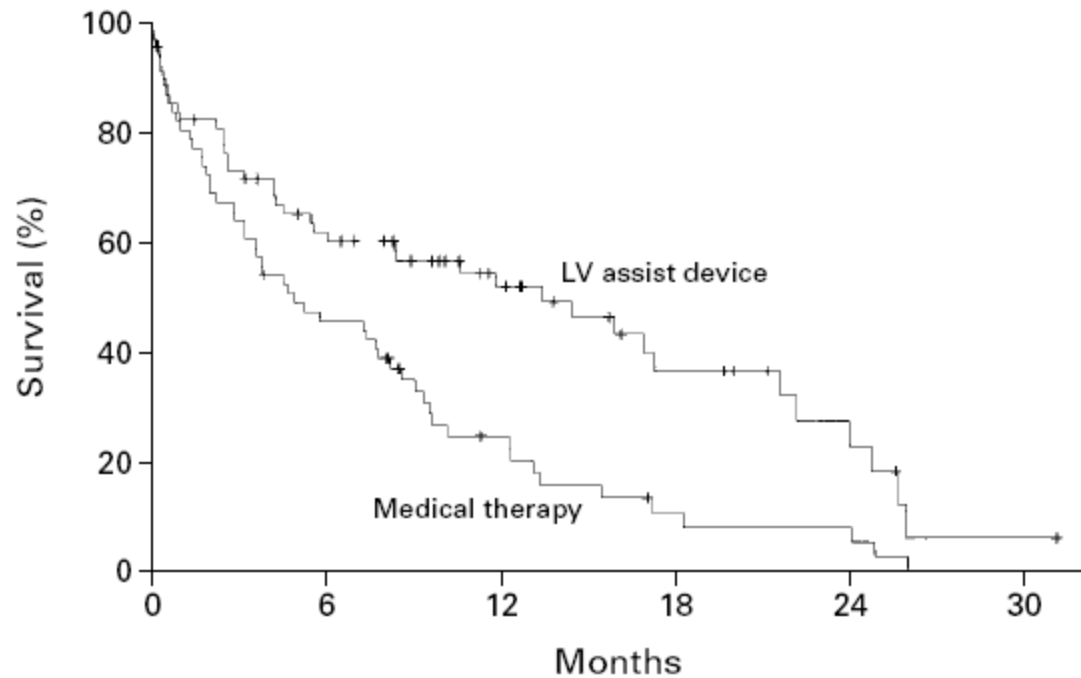
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LONG-TERM USE FOR

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FOR THE RANDOMIZED EVALUATION OF



No. AT RISK

LV assist device	68	38	22	11	5	1
Medical therapy	61	27	11	4	3	0

HeartMate XVE: Things we can fix

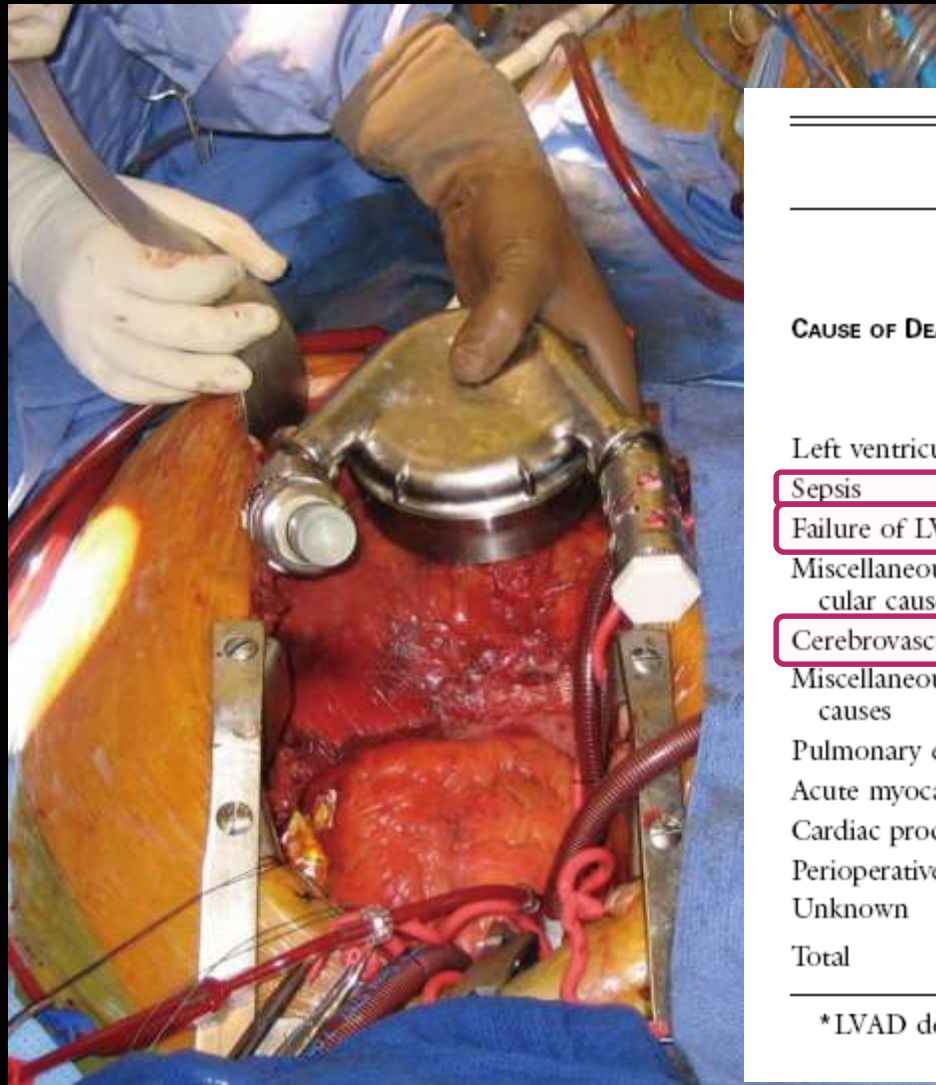


TABLE 2. CAUSES OF DEATH.*

CAUSE OF DEATH	MEDICAL- THERAPY GROUP	LVAD GROUP	TOTAL
	no. of patients		
Left ventricular dysfunction	50	1	51
Sepsis	1	17	18
Failure of LVAD	0	7	7
Miscellaneous noncardiovascular causes	0	5	5
Cerebrovascular disease	0	4	4
Miscellaneous cardiovascular causes	1	2	3
Pulmonary embolism	0	2	2
Acute myocardial infarction	1	0	1
Cardiac procedure	1	0	1
Perioperative bleeding	0	1	1
Unknown	0	2	2
Total	54	41	95

*LVAD denotes left ventricular assist device.

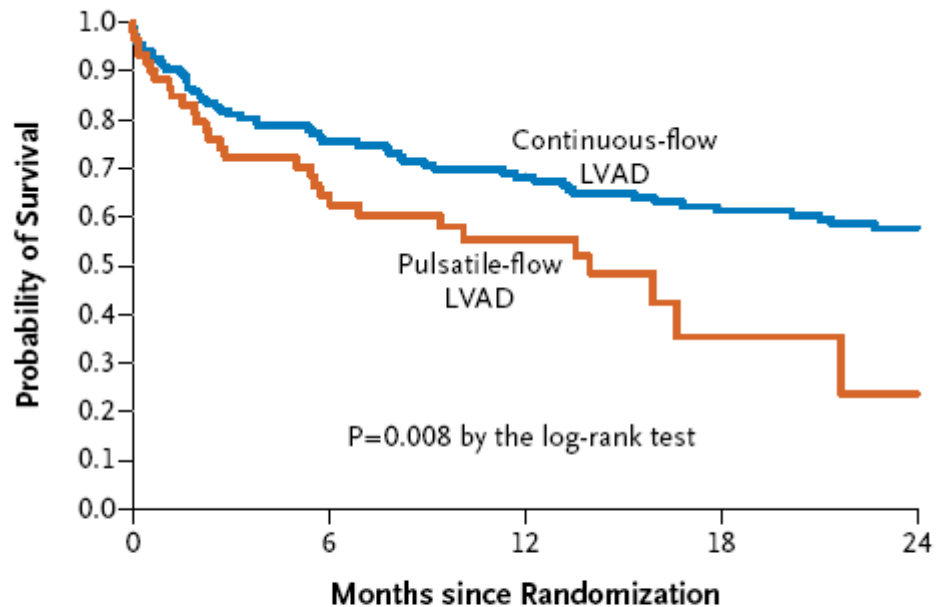
New ERA In VAD Therapy – CF LVAD

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Advanced Heart Failure Treatment with Continuous-Flow Left Ventricular Assist Device

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 for the



No. at Risk

Continuous-flow LVAD	133	95	82	69	62
Pulsatile-flow LVAD	59	32	19	5	2



INTERMACS ANNUAL FEATURE

Sixth INTERMACS annual report: A 10,000-patient database



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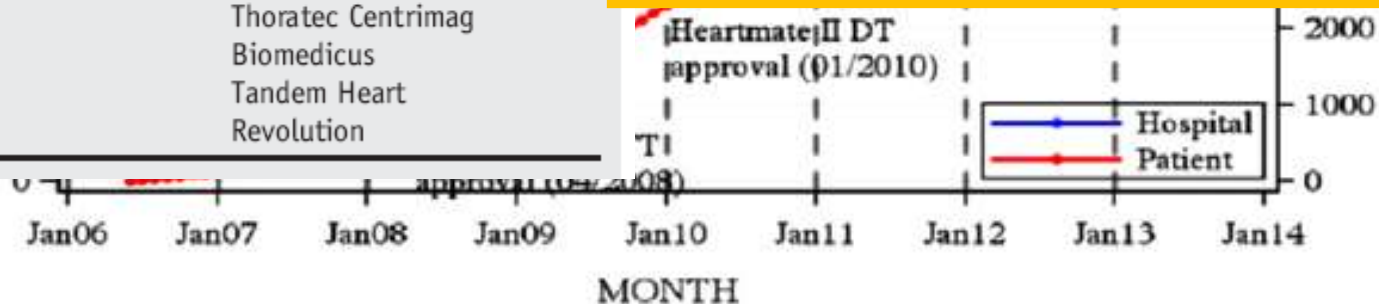
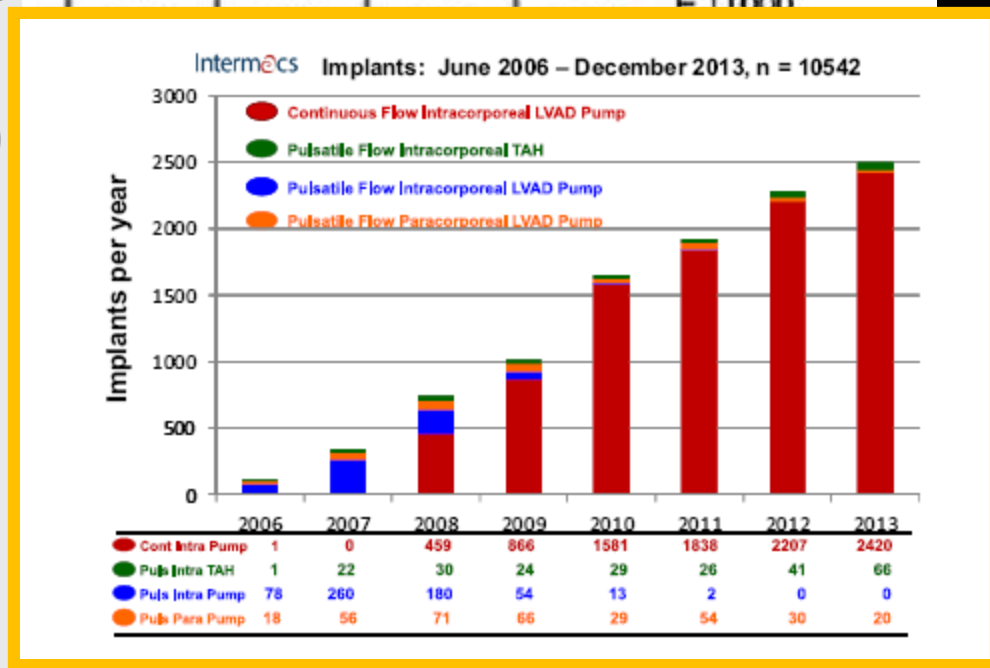
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Implants: June 2006 – December 2013

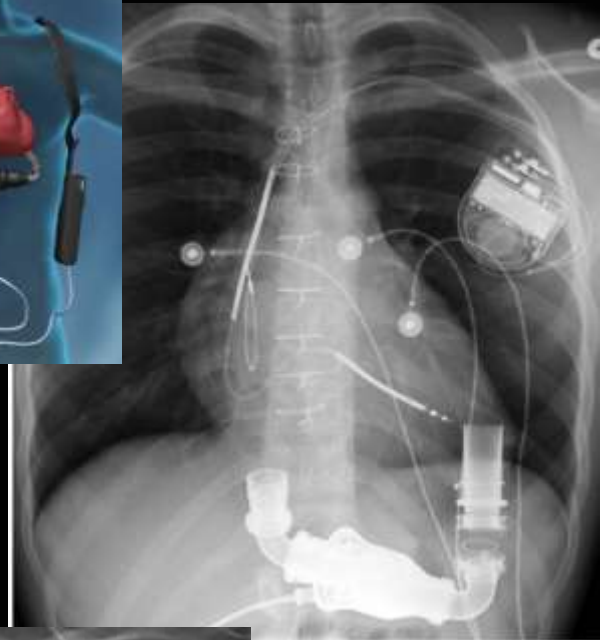
Table 1 FDA-approved Devices Adults

Type	Device
Durable devices Continuous flow	Thoratec HeartMate II
	HeartWare HVAD
	MicroMed DeBakey Child VAD
Pulsatile extracorporeal	Thoratec PVAD
	Berlin Heart EXCOR
Pulsatile intracorporeal	HeartMate IP
	HeartMate VE
	HeartMate XVE
	Thoratec IVAD
	Novacor PC
	Novacor PCq
Total artificial heart	SynCardia CardioWest
	AbioCor TAH
Temporary devices	
Short-term devices	Abiomed AB5000
	Abiomed BVS 5000
	Thoratec Centrimag
	Biomedicus
	Tandem Heart
	Revolution

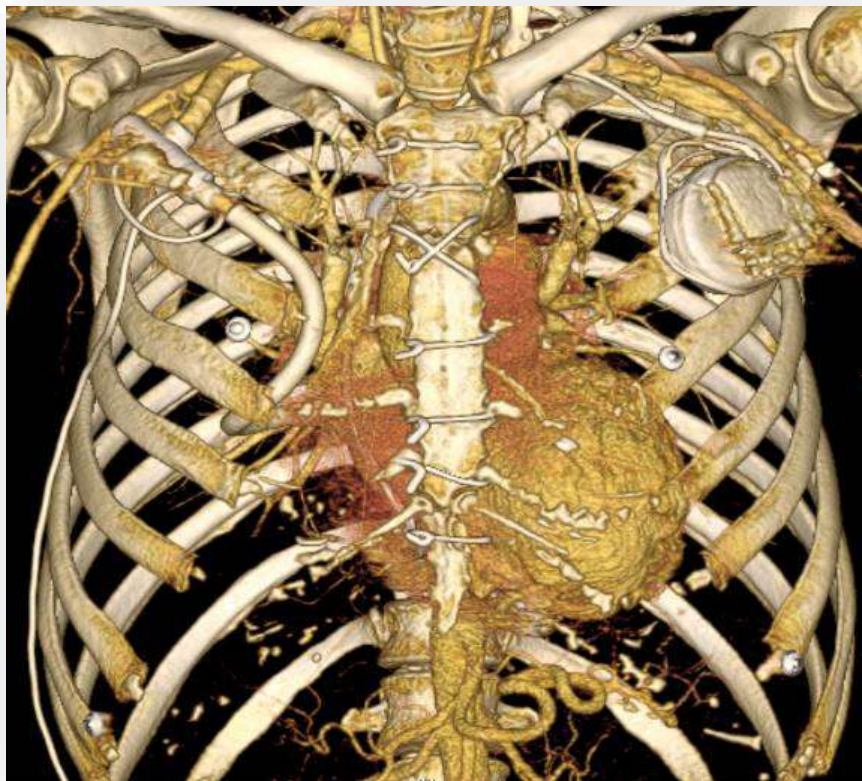
Activation and Patient Enrollment June 23, 2006 to December 31, 2013



Perpetual Miniaturization



CircuLite Surgical System

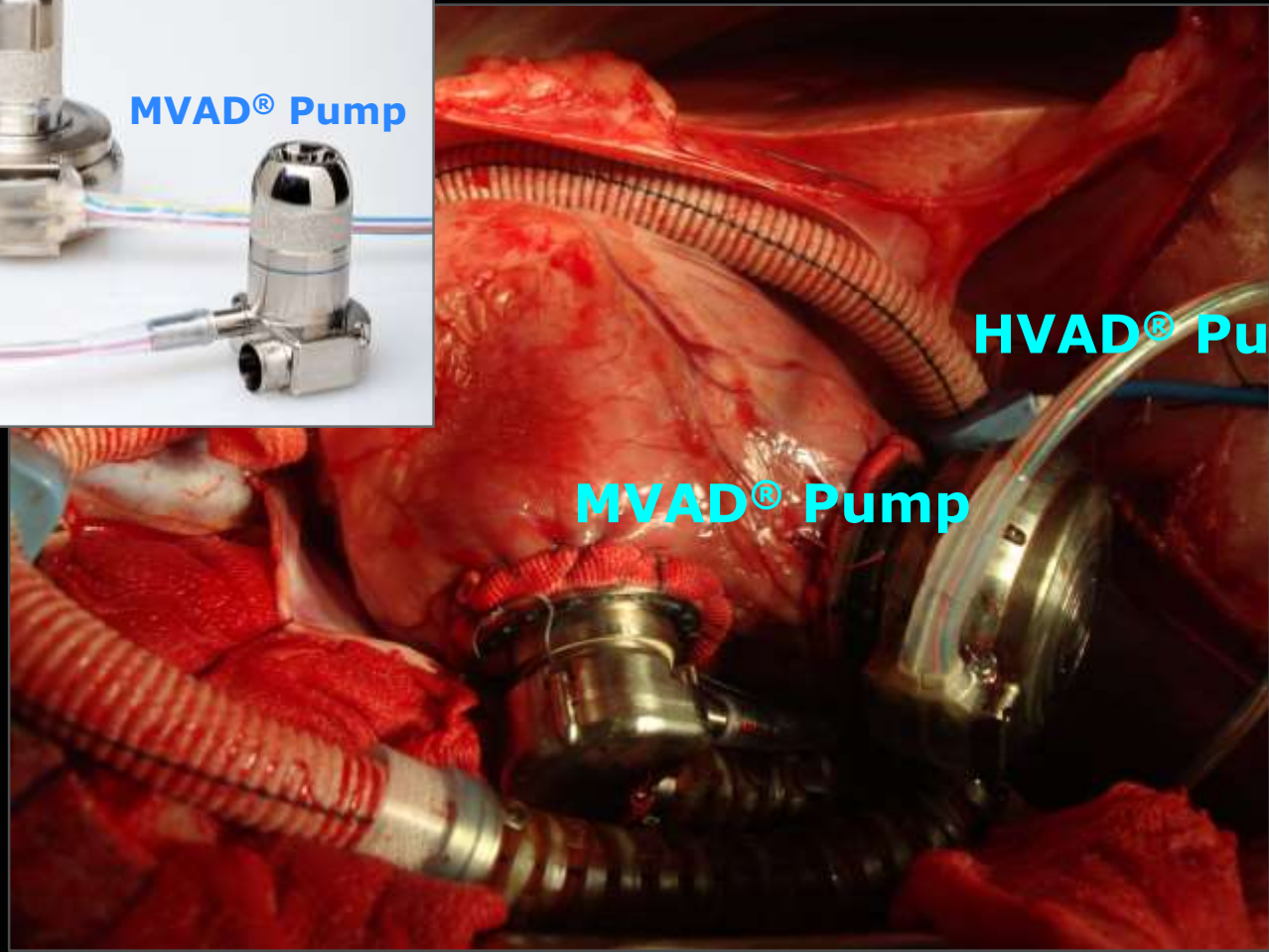


Pump in subcutaneous pacemaker pocket
Right sided mini-thoracotomy
Extubation in OR possible
Off pump procedure

Not available for sale

CAUTION: Investigational device. Limited by United States law to investigational use.

Possible Biventricular Support



Future lies in....

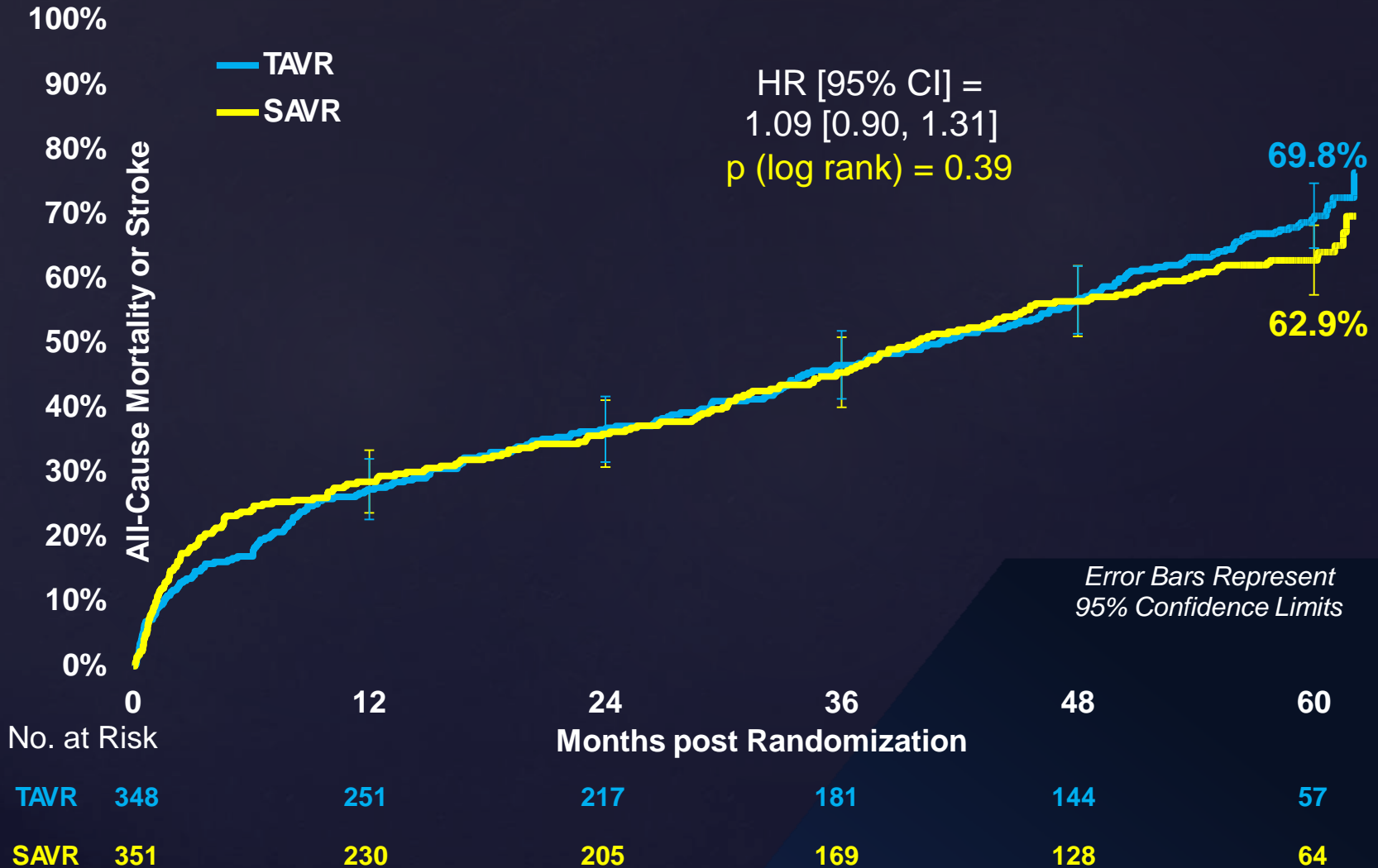
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All-Cause Mortality or Stroke (ITT)

All Patients

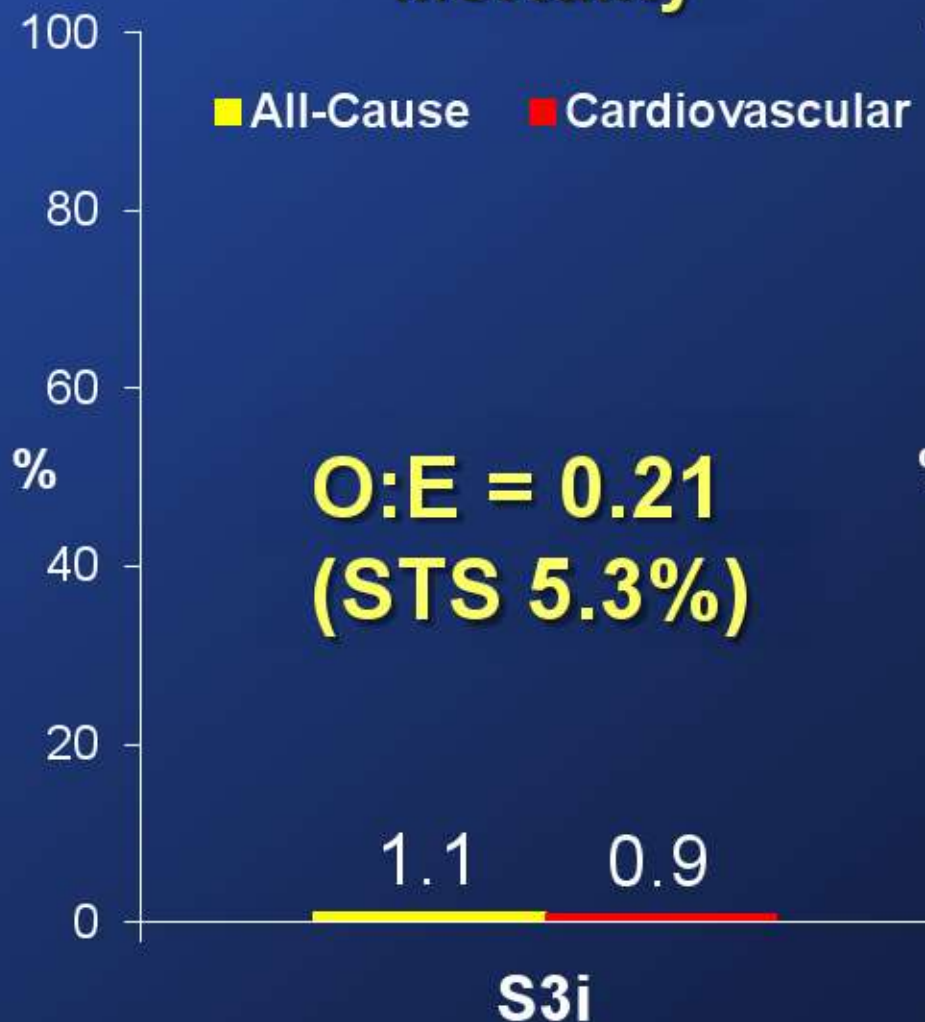


Mortality and Stroke: S3i

At 30 Days (As Treated Patients)



Mortality



Stroke



PARTNER Manuscripts in NEJM (October, 2010 – May, 2012) Very well studied/Data driven/RCT



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So the Real Question is
..... Why NOT a New TAVI
trial into LOW and
INTERMEDIATE RISK
patients??

The Future will still include....

Incremental improvements in:

- Improved Perfusion Concepts
 - “improvements” to CPB machine
 - Sensors
- All-Arterial CABG
- EP Surgery (?)
- Pain management



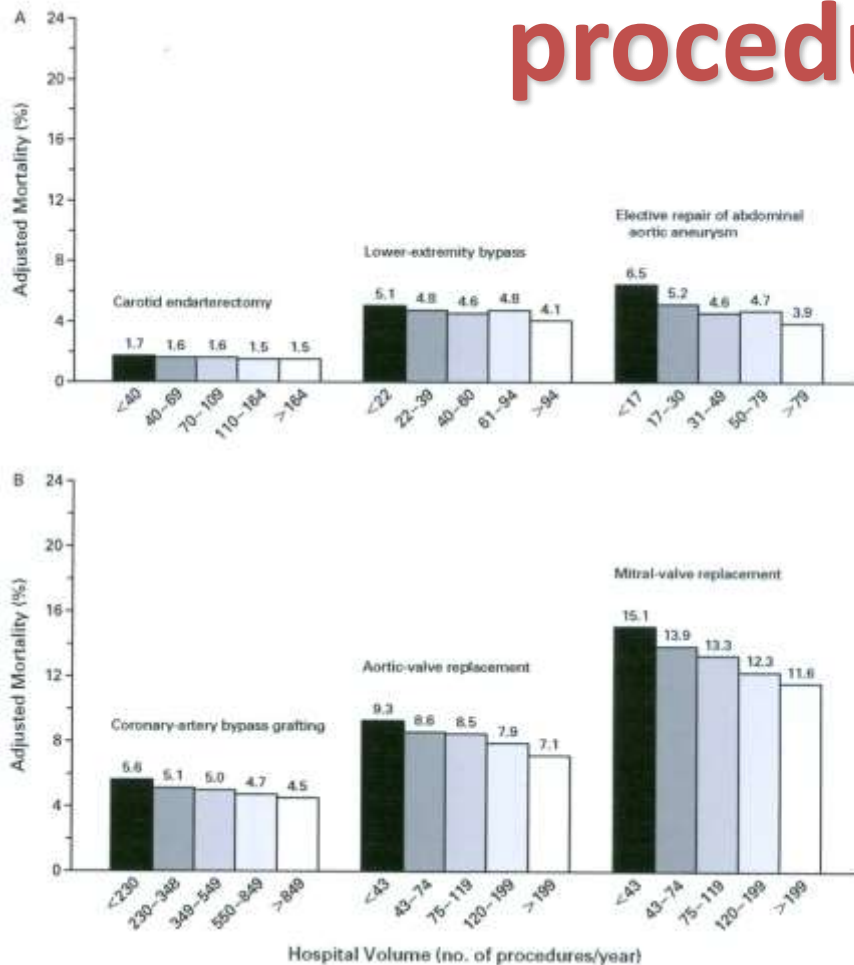
Additionally, Future lies in.....

- Greater transparency
- Quality initiatives
- Public reporting of outcomes

- Of course, some of the main components of present cardiac surgery will remain, but with decreased growth
 - Congenital, CABG, standard valve replacement, complex operations, niche areas



Hospital volume of 12 procedures

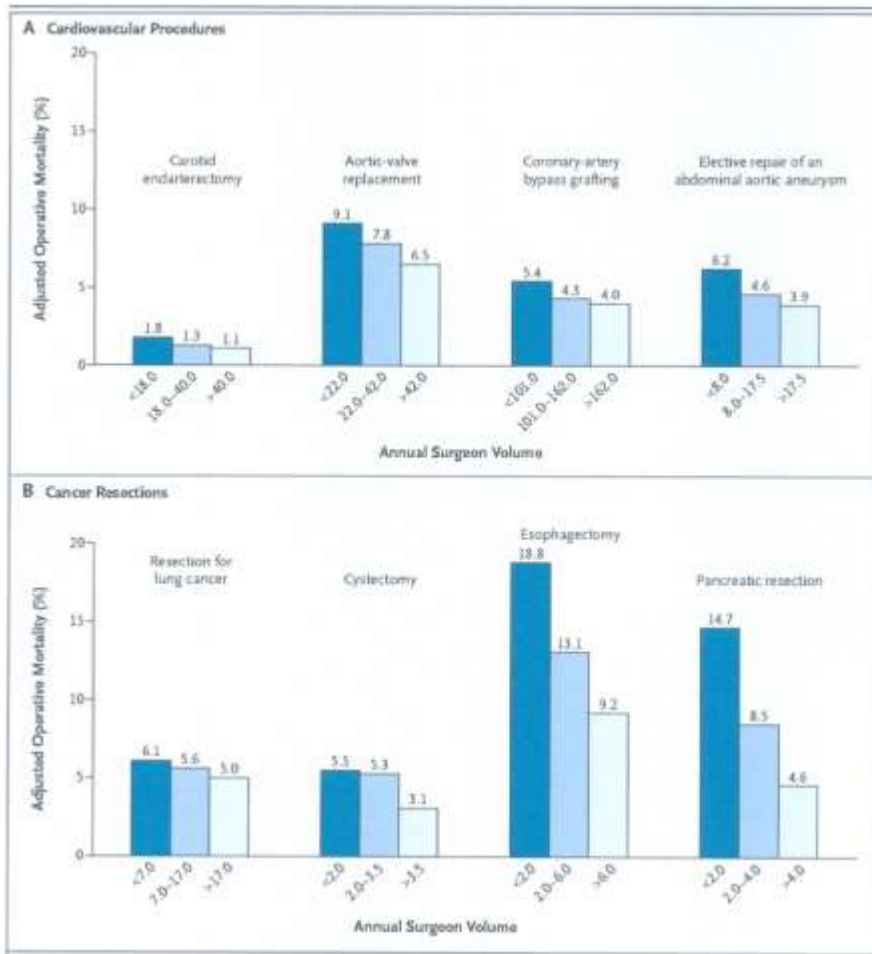


Medicare population:

- 1994-99
- > 65 yrs
- 2.5 mill pats
- 30 d mortality
- 11/12 inversely related
- Max diff. 16 vs 4 %
- pancreatic resection
- Min diff. 1.7 vs 1.5 %
- carotid TEA

Birkmeyer JD et al:
 Hospital volume and surgical mortality in the United States
 N Engl J Med 2002;346:346:1128-37

Surgeon volume of 8 procedures



Medicare population:

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- 474 000 pats
- 30 d mortality

Conclusion:

”Surgeon volume was inversely related to operative mortality for all eight procedures”

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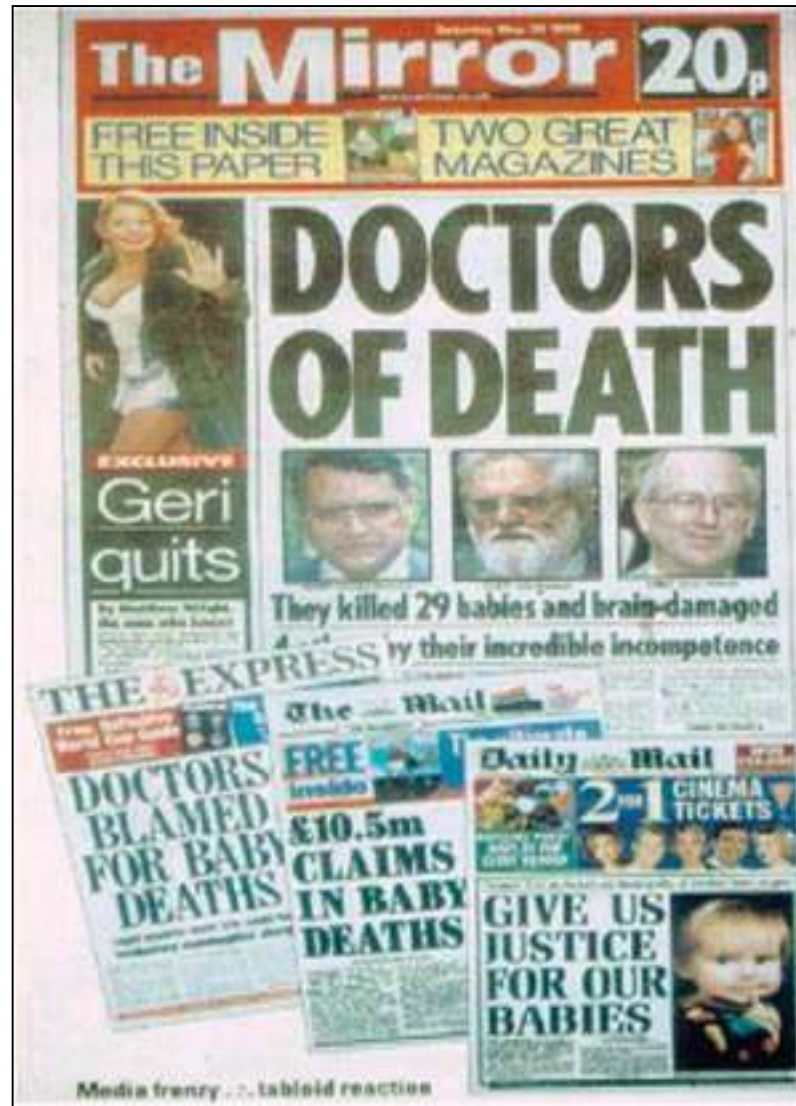
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National Policy OUS based on Volume-Outcome Relationship: The UK NHS



The Bristol (UK) scandal (1988-95)



Brief communication - Congenital Effects of 'Bristol' on surgical practice in the United Kingdom

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Abstract

In 1995 a child died following an arterial switch operation for complex transposition of the great arteries. There had been general concern regarding the outcomes for the arterial switch procedure in the unit in Bristol. A review, prompted by parents whose children had died, showed that 29 children had died and four others suffered from cerebral damage postoperatively. The General Medical Council (GMC) considered the conduct of three doctors from the unit. This hearing culminated in the suspension and subsequent removal from the Medical Register of the senior Cardiac Surgeon and the Chief Executive of the hospital. The second Cardiac Surgeon was banned from practising in the field of paediatric cardiac surgery for three years (his results in adult cardiac surgical practice were not called into question). Following this the Government set up a public Inquiry to investigate the causes behind the deaths. This inquiry, which took three years, made recommendations that have affected the way all doctors in the UK practice.

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- GMC inquiry: 15 millGBP and 600 page report
- 198 recommendations: Only 31 related to children; only 7 pediatric
- Aim: Fewer pediatric cardiac units, volume >300 and >3 surgeons**
- Effects on ALL cardiac surgical practice:
 - Communication
 - Competence
 - Performance monitoring
 - Release of mortality data (hospital and surgeon)

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Organizational Dynamics

- HVC Concept
 - How and Why it works. When it's virtual
 - Relationship with Interventional Cardiology
- ?? Reorganization of Medical Care
 - MACRA, etc
- STS perch

- Interesting Job Market is Robust!
 - Why? The "Shulkin" effect.?



HVC Background

**Is AVR (and the HVC)
Important (Financially) to the
Health System?**

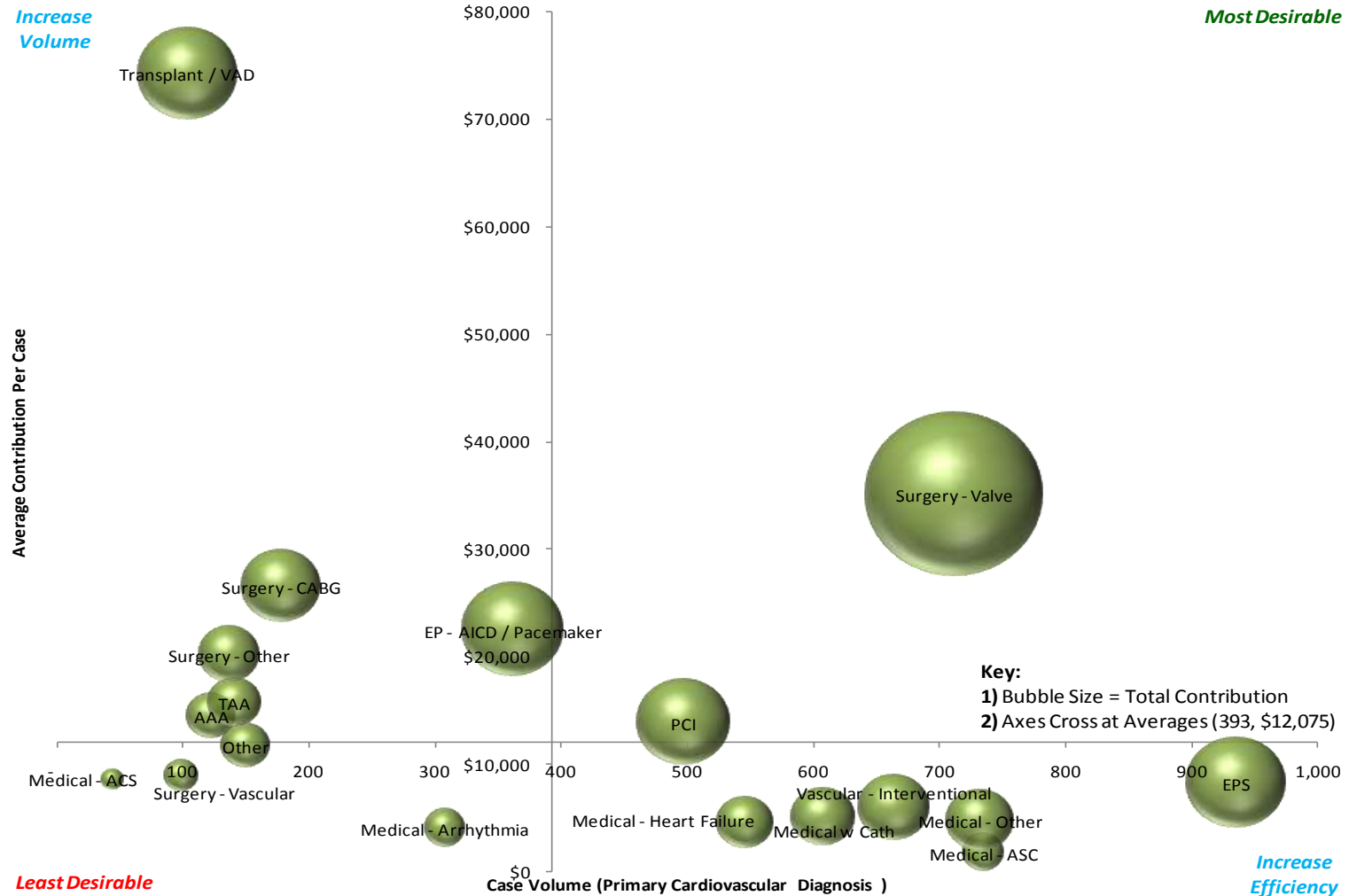
How Important?

Now?

Future?

Contribution Margin of Various Cardiac Treatments

Valve procedures are highly profitable; generating a healthy average contribution margin and per case gain

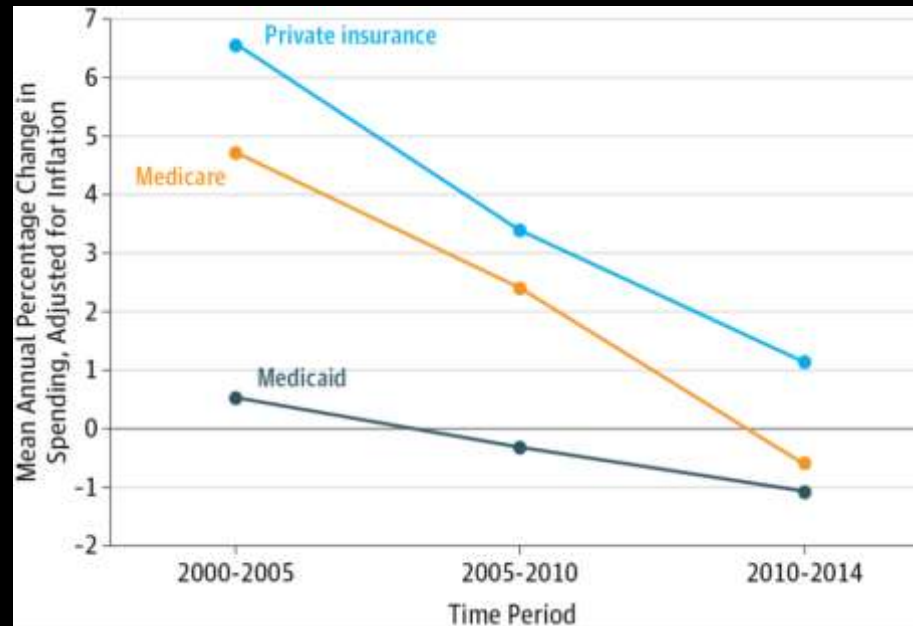




We're Actually doing quite well over 15 years!

From: **United States Health Care Reform: Progress to Date and Next Steps**

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Rate of Change in Real per-Enrollee Spending by PayerData are derived from the National Health Expenditure Accounts. Inflation adjustments use the Gross Domestic Product Price Index reported in the National Income and Product Accounts. The mean growth rate for Medicare spending reported for 2005 through 2010 omits growth from 2005 to 2006 to exclude the effect of the creation of Medicare Part D.

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\$2.5 Trillion total, \$765 Billion in Waste (>50% “Medical”)

→
overtreatment



← failures of delivery and coordination

← undertreatment

Source: The Institute of Medicine: The Healthcare Imperative: Lowering Costs and Improving Outcomes.

A Pause



Example Patient

Name for Scrolling CROUTHAMEL,PAUL; 000103917606
 DRG 219
 Entity (All)

	-1	0	1	2	3	Grand Total	
000103917606	\$1,345	\$39,552	\$1,912	\$1,100	\$193	\$44,101	
OR SUPPLIES		\$32,825				\$32,825	
01304336 CATHETER ANGIOPLASTY NON LA VALVE		\$325				\$325	
		\$32,500				\$32,500	
O.R. YELLOW	\$173	\$2,666				\$2,839	6%
01100346 OR 1ST HALF HR		\$369				\$369	
01100353 OR ADDTL HALF HR		\$1,552				\$1,552	
01100452 OR PROVIDER PER 1/2 HOUR		\$138				\$138	
01100460 CATH LAB PROVIDER PER 1/2 H		\$608				\$608	
06550008 ART. (THORAC. AORTA) S/I	\$173					\$173	
NUR-SILVERSTEIN 10	\$802		\$802	\$802		\$2,405	5%
NUR-SICU-CT/GS		\$1,606				\$1,606	4%
PHAR - IP CENTRAL ROBOT NARC	\$43	\$467	\$170	\$96	\$25	\$802	2%
BLOOD BANK	\$207		\$496	\$83		\$786	2%
PERFUSION SUPPLIES		\$667				\$667	2%
PERIOP ANES TECHS HUP		\$444				\$444	1%
AUTO LAB	\$71	\$213	\$126	\$11	\$14	\$434	1%
INTRAOPERATIVE MONITORING		\$400				\$400	1%
RESPIRATORY THERAPY-HUP		\$107	\$138			\$245	1%
BONE/CHEST/ER SUPP	\$36	\$26	\$26	\$26	\$62	\$176	0%
INPATIENT PT-HUP				\$69	\$84	\$153	0%
ECHO LAB			\$117			\$117	0%
PERFUSION HUP		\$95				\$95	0%
PHLEBOTOMY	\$4	\$17	\$21	\$4	\$4	\$51	0%
COAGULATION	\$7		\$7	\$7		\$22	0%
PREP & RECOVERY SC		\$16				\$16	0%
EKG LABORATORY	\$3	\$3	\$6		\$3	\$15	0%
CLINICAL LAB		\$1	\$2	\$0	\$0	\$3	0%
Grand Total	\$1,345	\$39,552	\$1,912	\$1,100	\$193	\$44,101	

**OR Supplies,
 driven by valve
 74% of direct cost**



Final Thought You're the Hospital CFO

- ◆ Cohort A (STS > 8; mean 10-11) shows clinical “equivalence” between TAVI and Open AVR, However, at \$32,500 per Valve The CM is reduced by \$20-25K PER CASE and throwing profitability to a LOSS, Basically showing massive financial superiority to open AVR. This is bad enough.
- ◆ BUT Intermediate Risk (STS 4-8) TAVI (P2A and SURTAVI), where there is even LESS equipoise than Cohort A, Is this Financial irresponsibility??
- ◆ Obviously I feel it is more complicated than that but



TAVR Experience at PENN

“Just the Facts Ma’am” Detective Joe Friday, Dragnet

“There is no Right or Wrong here, Just Decisions and Consequences

My CFO’s response is: Do what you want but the consequences are this means less RESOURCES for your team

Additionally, Future lies in.....

Organizational Dynamics

- HVC Concept
 - How and Why it works. When it's virtual
 - Relationship with Interventional Cardiology
- ?? Reorganization of Medical Care
 - MACRA, etc
 - STS perch
- Interesting Job Market is Robust!
 - Why? The "Shulkin" effect.?

I have no real idea !!!



However, The Real Future of our Specialty
Resides in Innovation

**The Future Lies
in**



The “Emerging” and Innovative Approach to Treatment ?



CT Surgery has

Achieved a lot!

**.....However, The
only Constant is
Change**



Circa 1993: Response of a Newly minted Cardiac Surgeon

301 CABG cases, Sir!

No Innovation here!!



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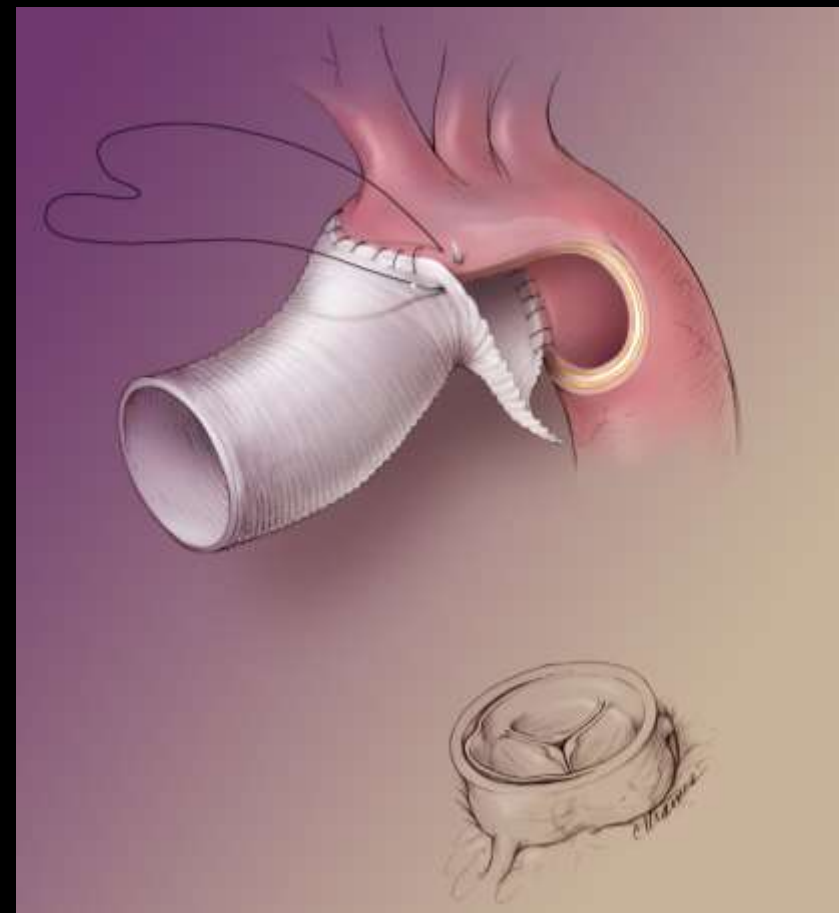


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Obliteration of False Lumen and Creation of "Neo-Media" and Distal Graft Anastomosis: "Aggressive" Hemi-Arch

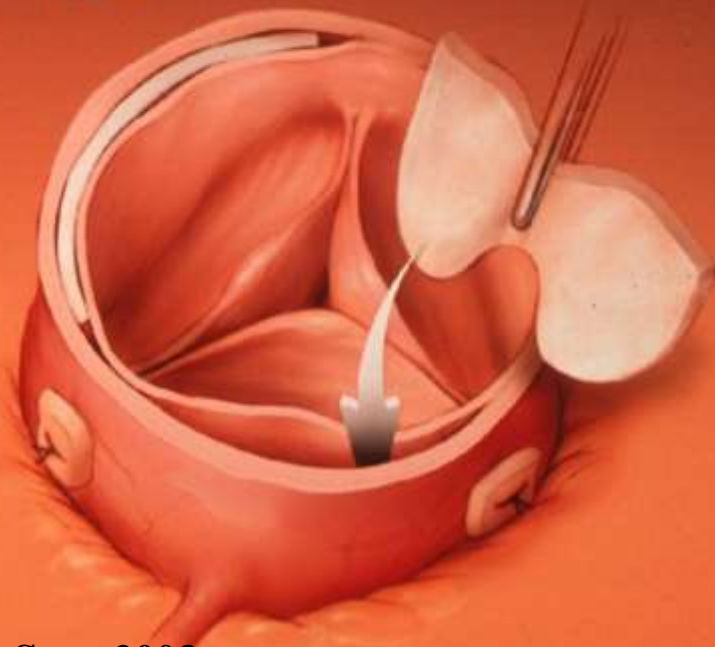


Aortic Root Reconstruction/Sinus of ValSalva Repair

Fig.1 Felt "neo-media" placed in non-coronary sinus



Fig.2

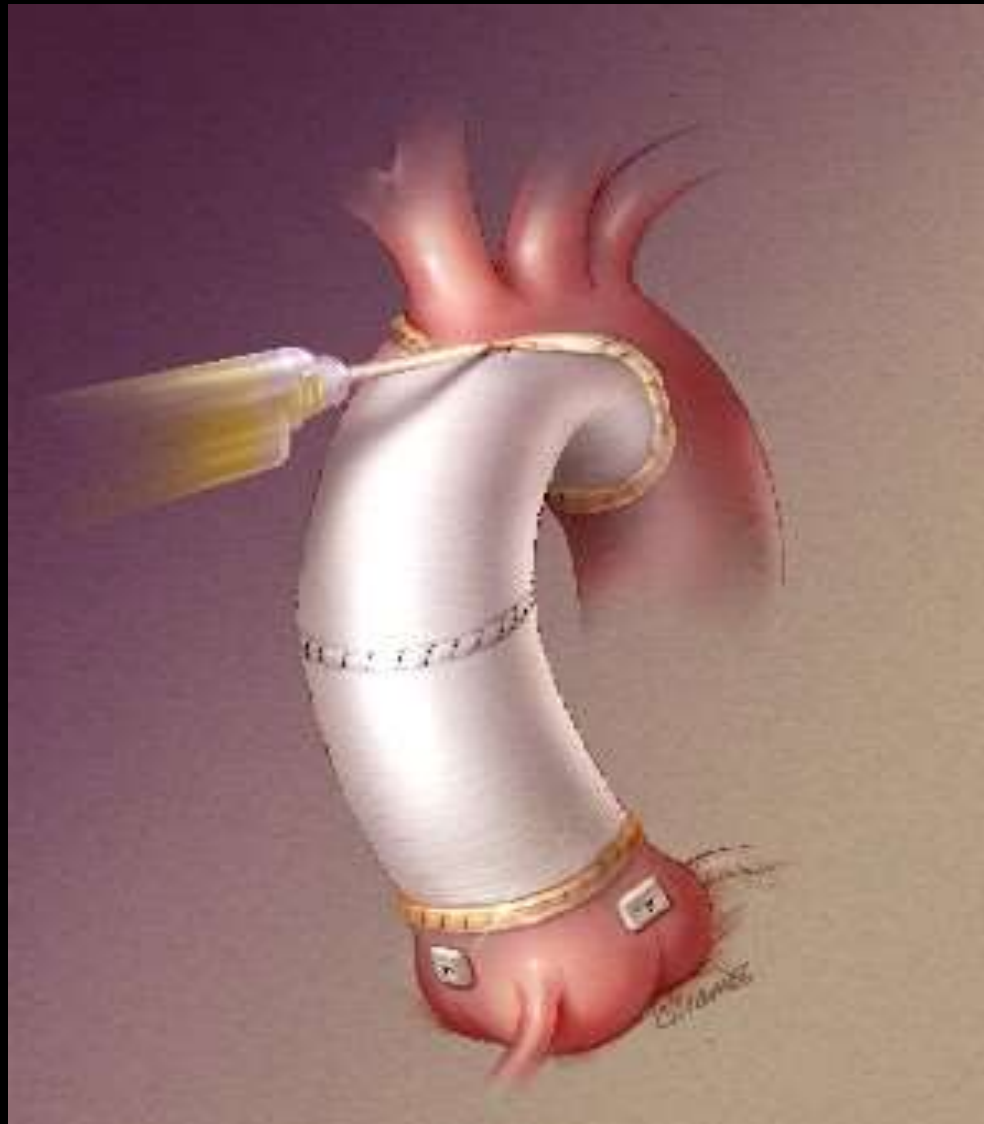


Bavaria, Pochettino, Gleason, et al; Ann Thor Surg 2003



Type A Dissection with Valve Resuspension and Ascending & Hemi-Arch (+/- Biogluue)

Note:
Efficient
Conduct of
operation



Acute Type A Dissection: Rational Design of an Operation (What is Missing?)

Cause of death

Acute CHF due to AI

Coronary malperfusion

Cerebral malperfusion

Free Ascending rupture

Treatment

Aortic valve resuspension

Aortic root repair

Arch replacement

Asc aortic replacement



Acute Type A Dissection: Design of an Operation (What is Missing?)

Cause of death

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Options

Valve resuspension

Root repair

Replacement

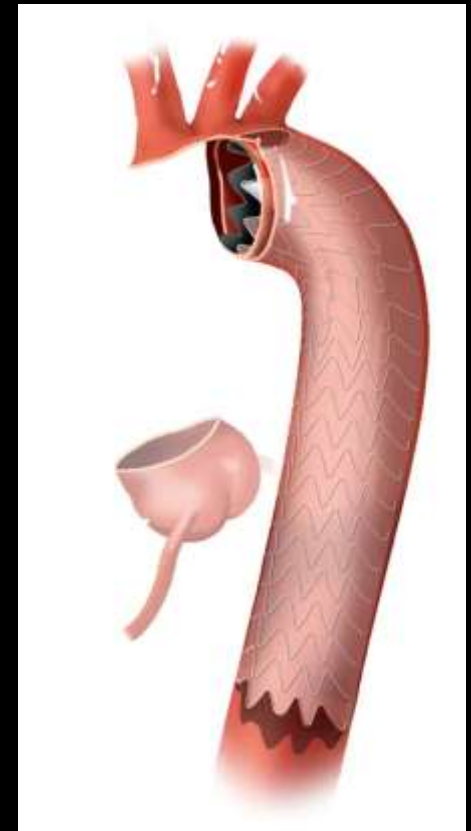
Ascending replacement

Fate of Distal Descending Aorta!

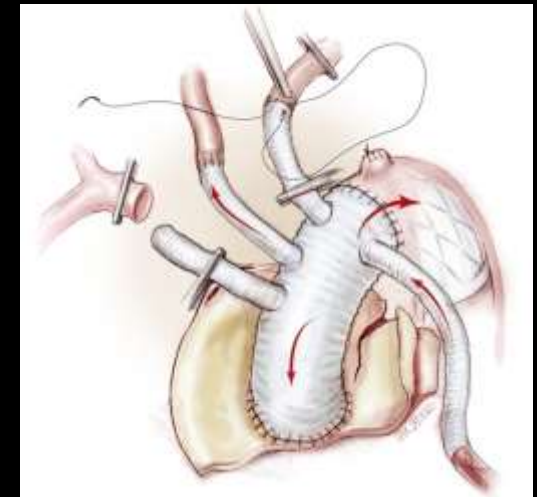
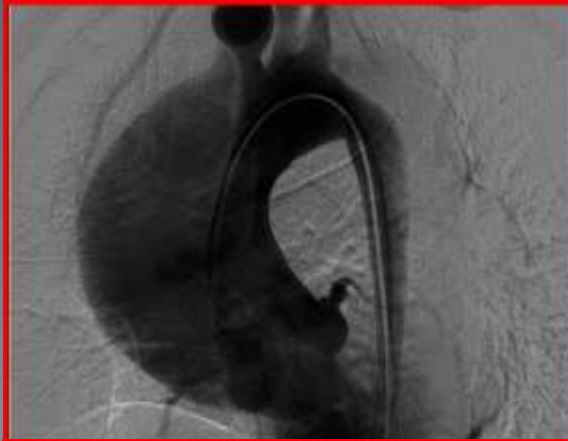


Solution (?): Surgical Innovation

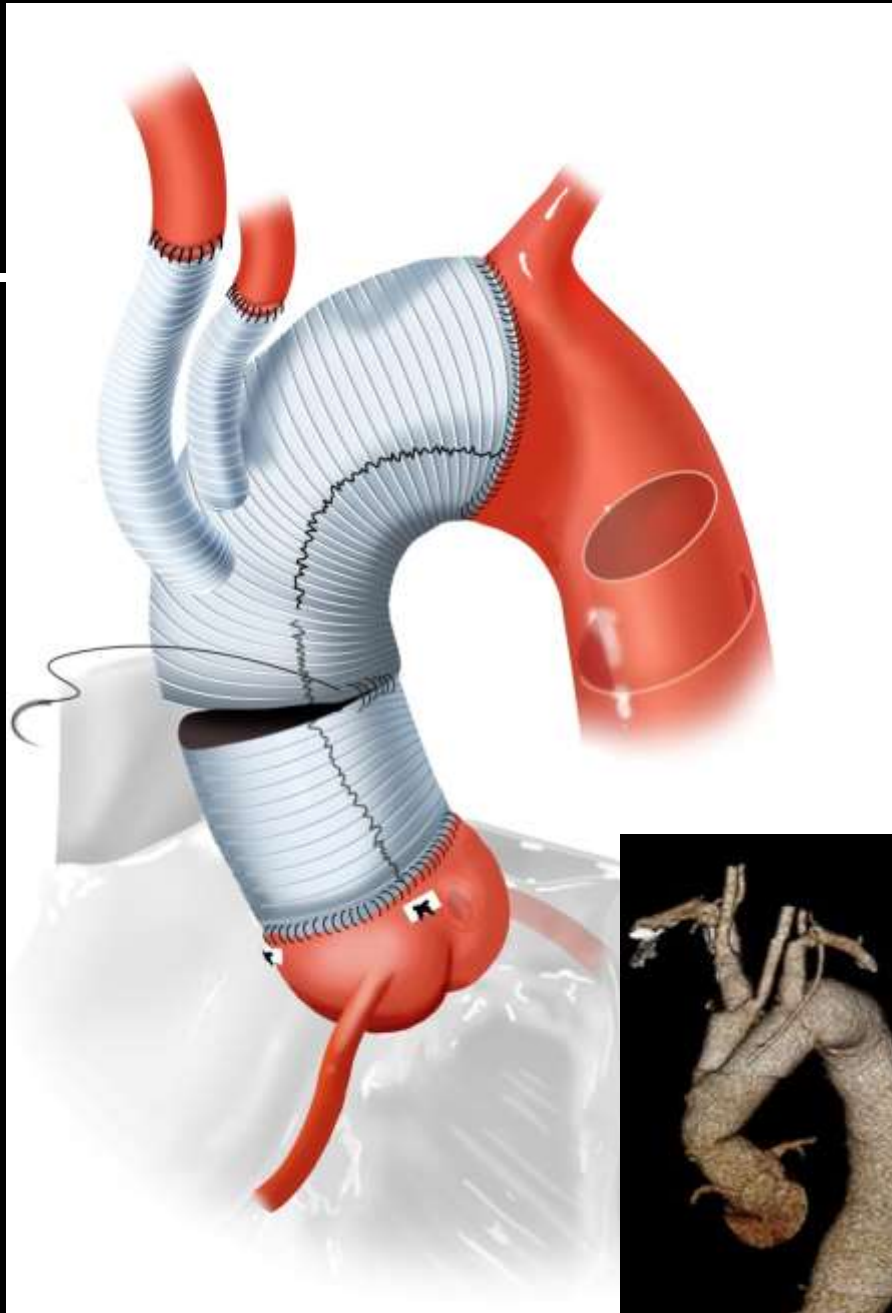
**Can We Build a Case for
the use of an Antegrade
delivered TEVAR in
Modifying the Descending
Aorta in Type A
Dissection?**



Technical: Conventional Total Arch with Frozen Elephant Trunk: Standard Zone 3 Arch FET



Distal LZ: Zone 2 Arch +/- Distal TEVAR Solution



Presently in Early FDA Feasibility trials in US;
J. Bavaria, PI

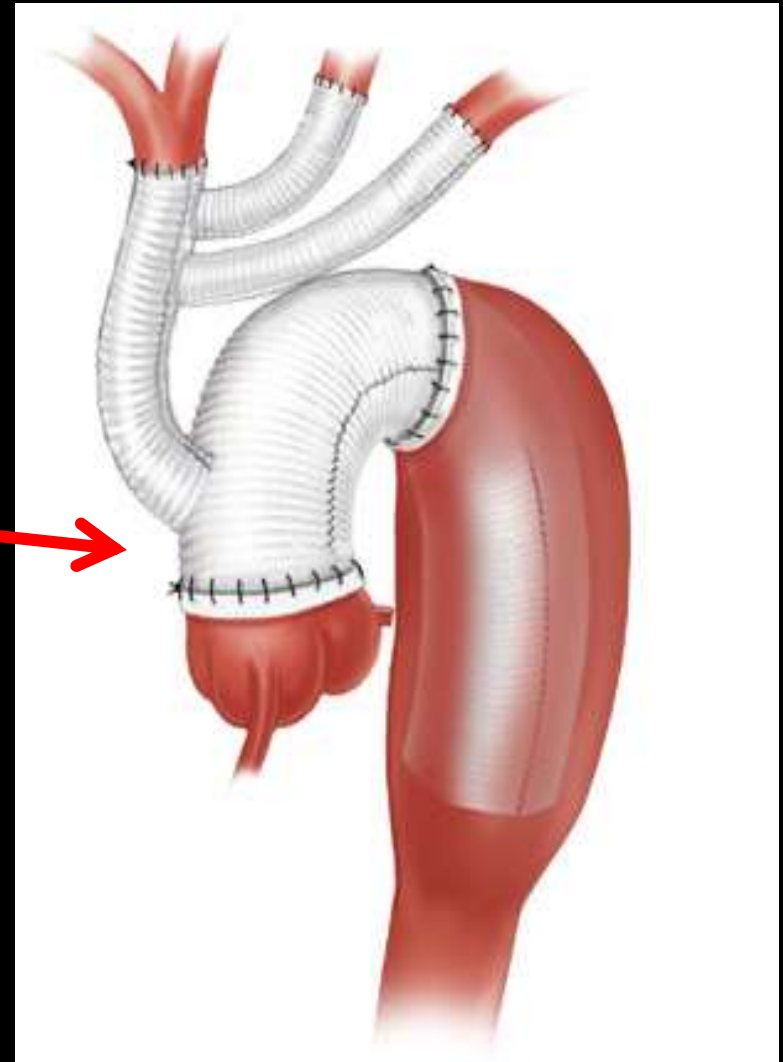
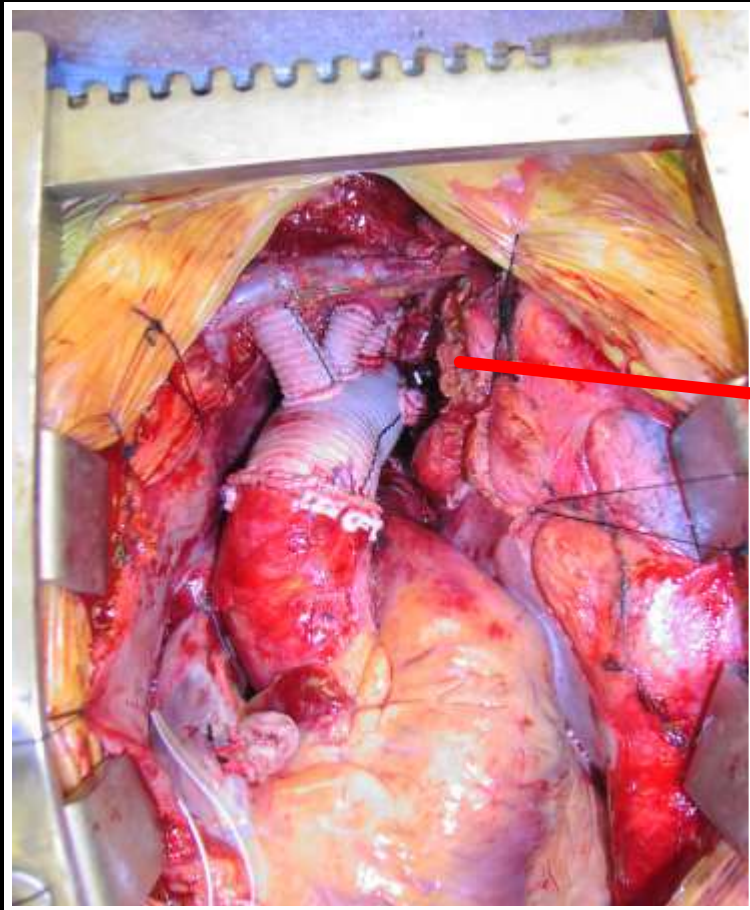


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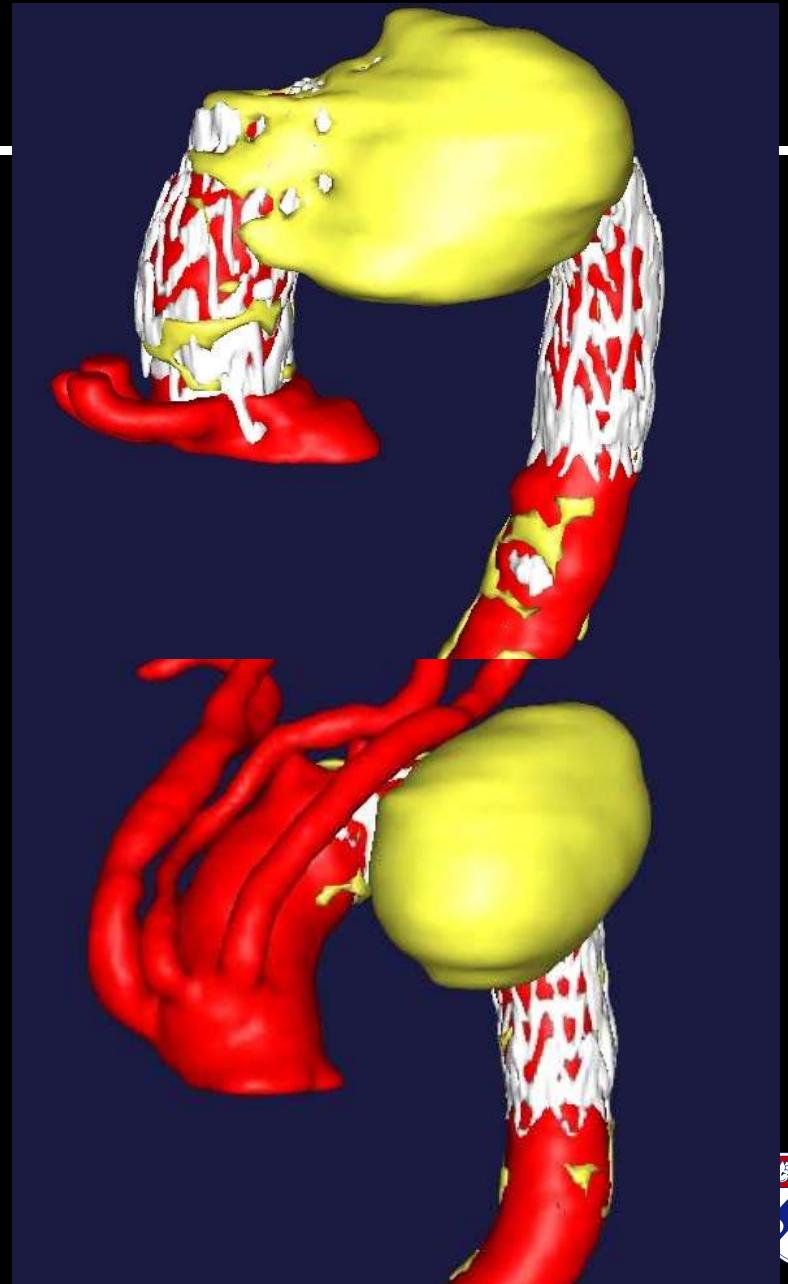
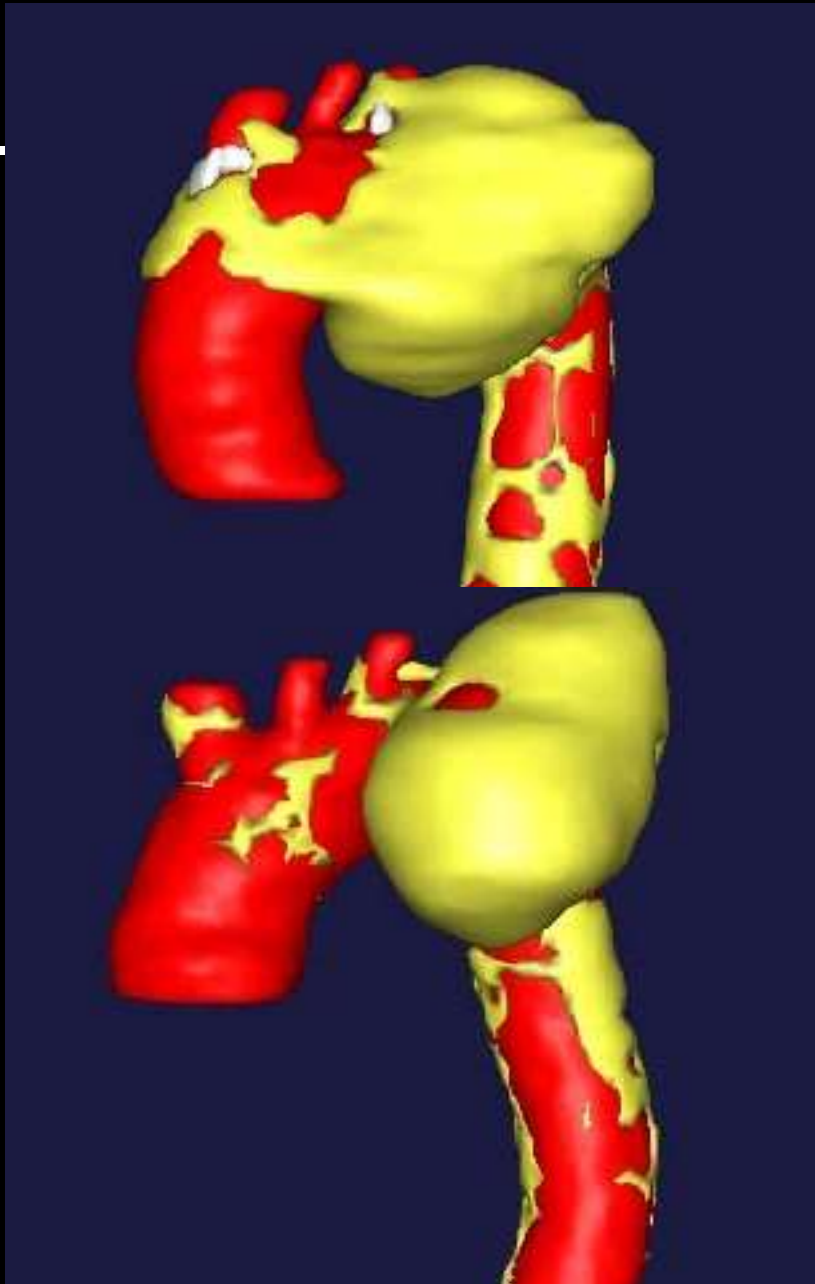
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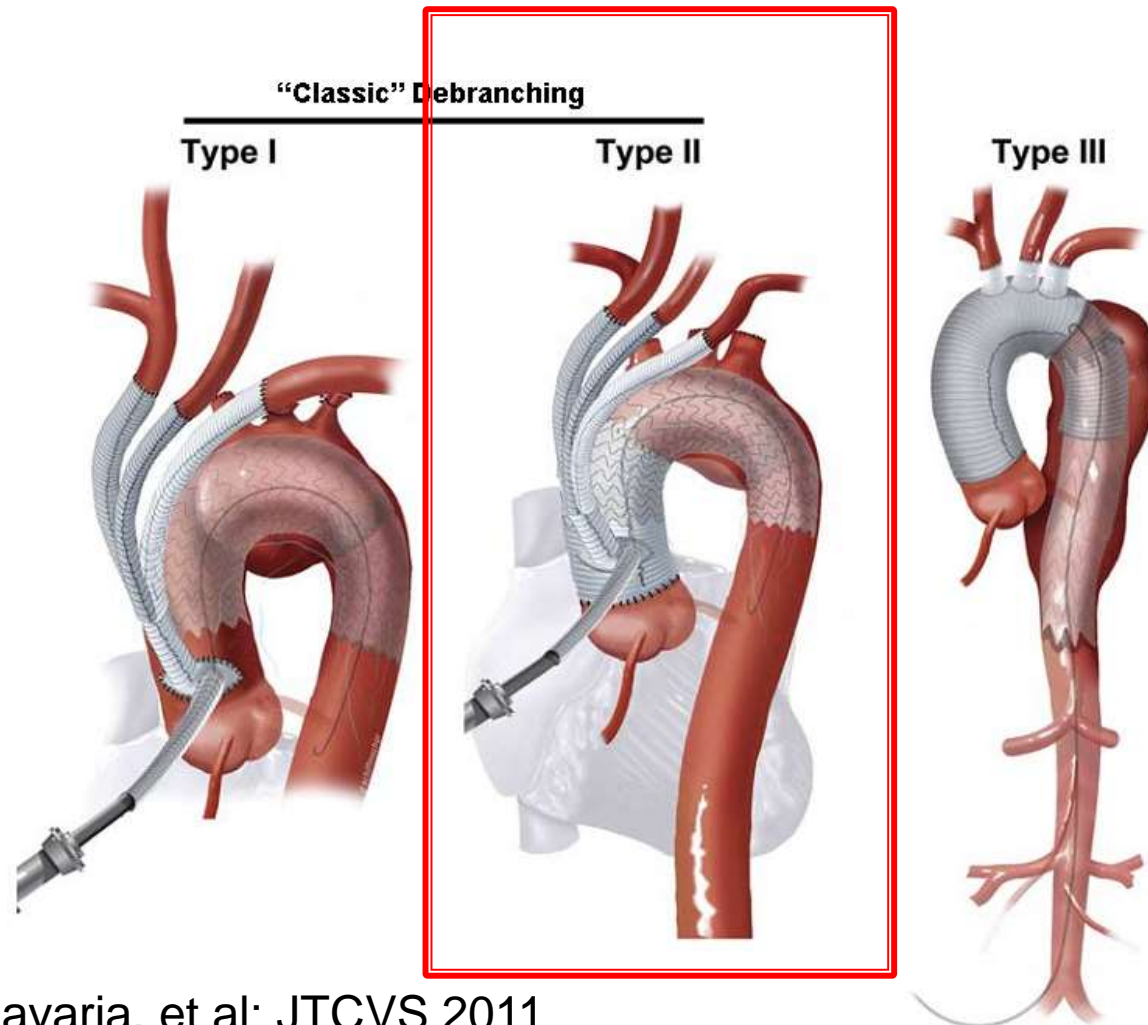
"More Proximal" Aortic Arch Surgery ENABLING later TEVAR if anatomy Suitable



Saccular Distal/Mid Arch Aneurysm Repair .. Difficult!!!



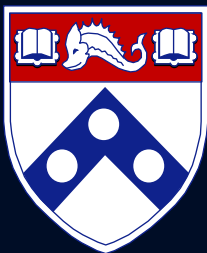
Hybrid Arch (Proximal Aortic) Procedure and Concept



J. Bavaria, et al; JTCVS 2011

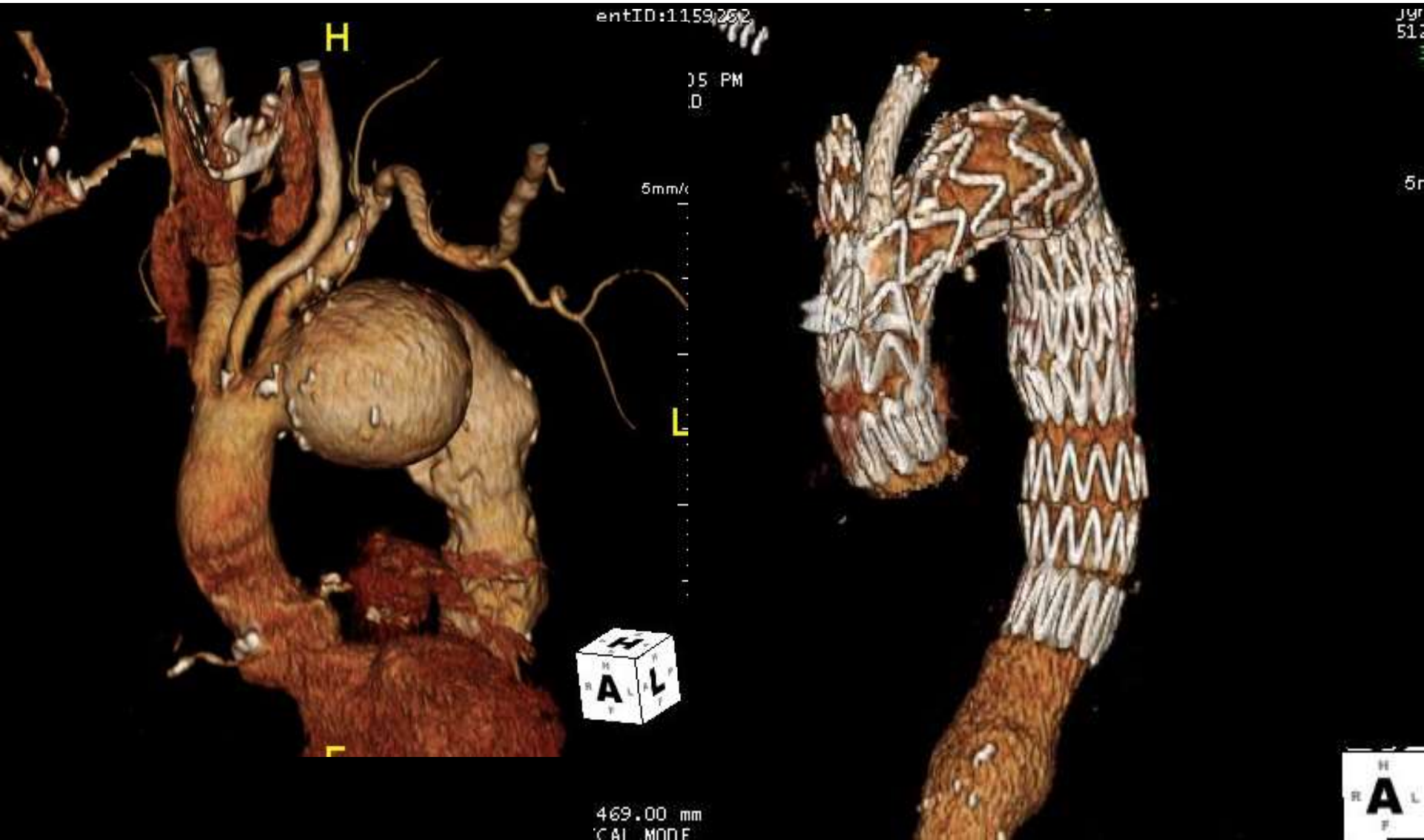


Water Hammer Pulse At Aneurysm: Crazy!!!! Ascending application?



Total EndoVascular Arch Procedure

Courtesy of Cherrie Abraham, MD, Montreal, Canada



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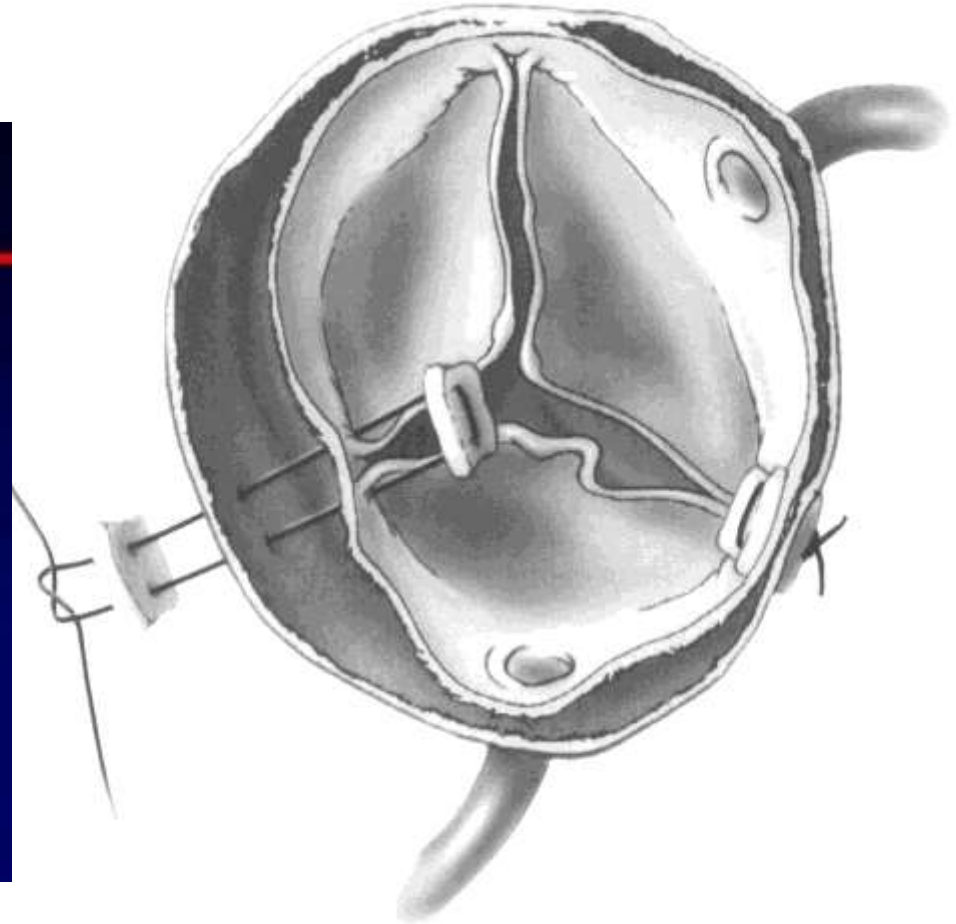
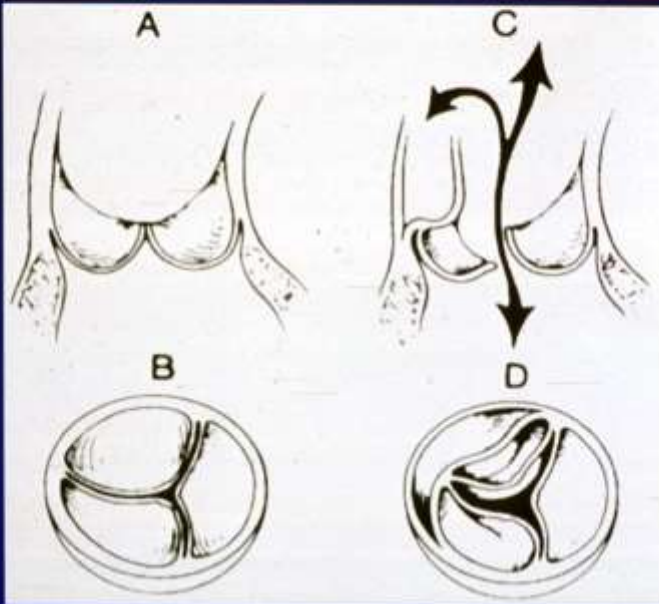
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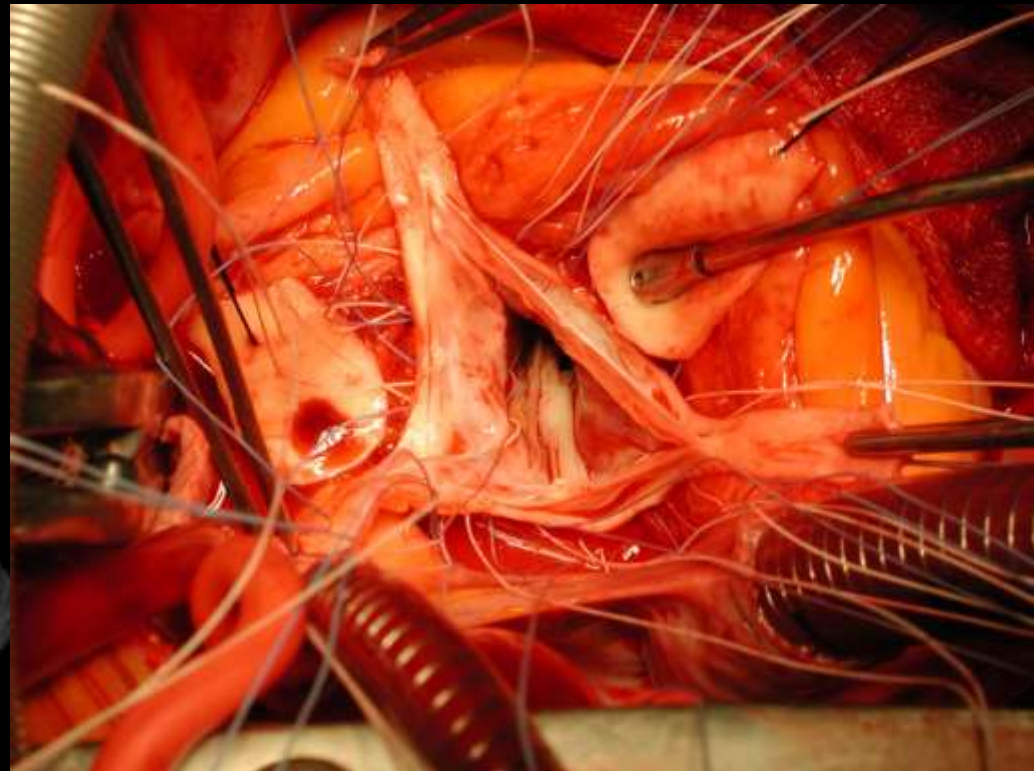
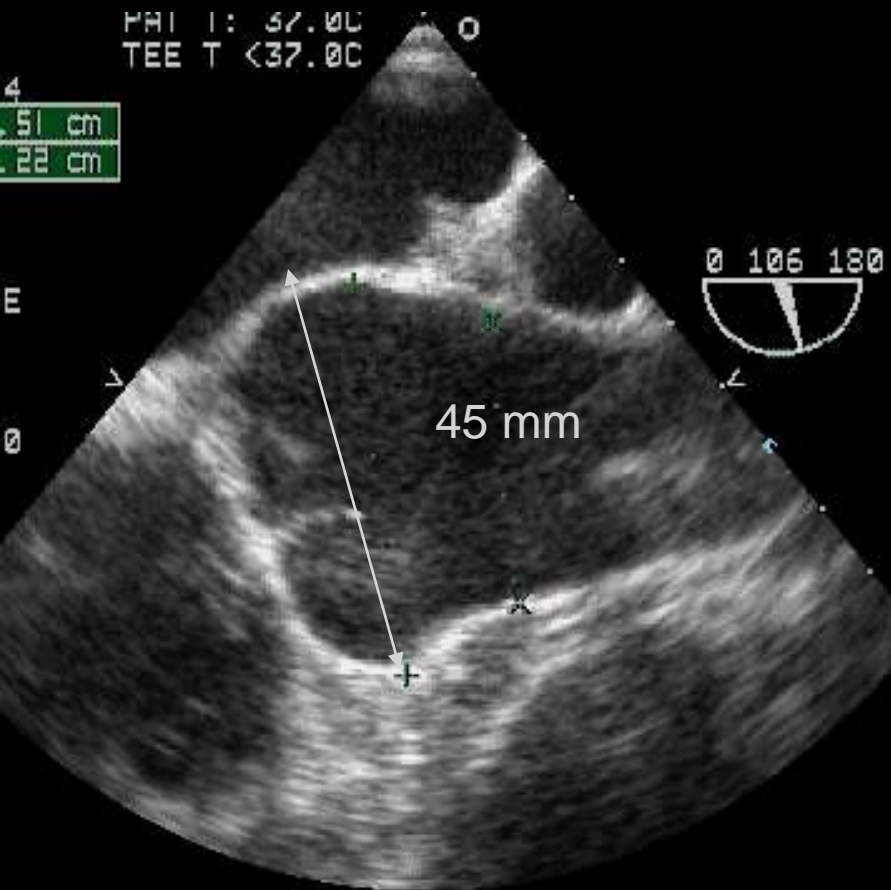
New Innovation: When do/can You Repair the Aortic Valve?

Aortic Valve Resuspension

Mechanism of Aortic Regurgitation in Type A Dissection



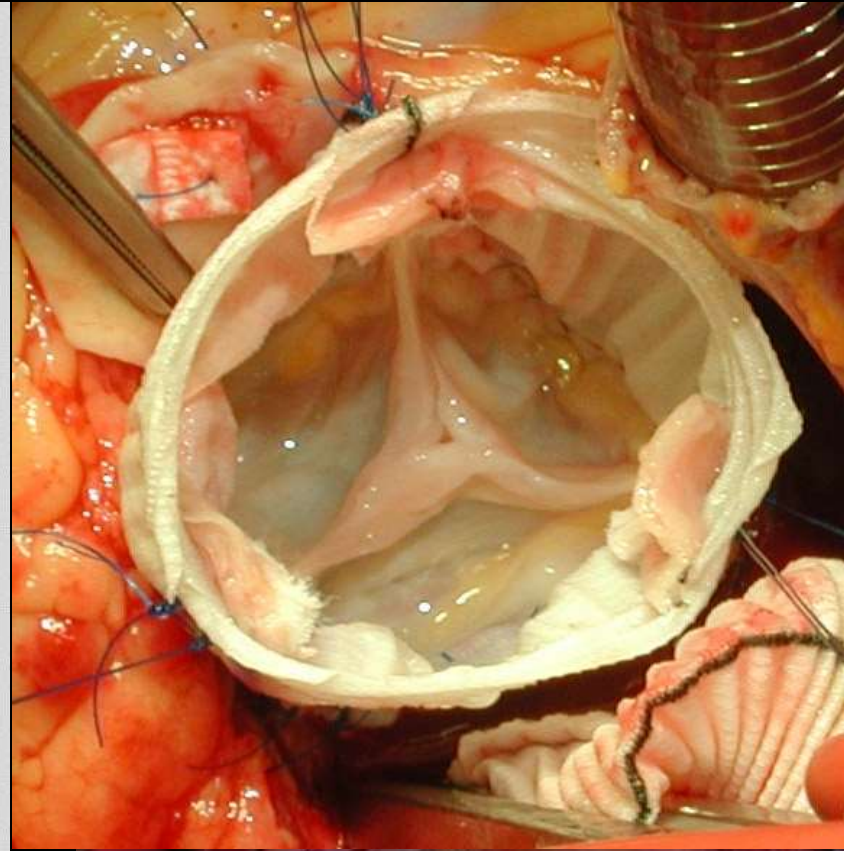
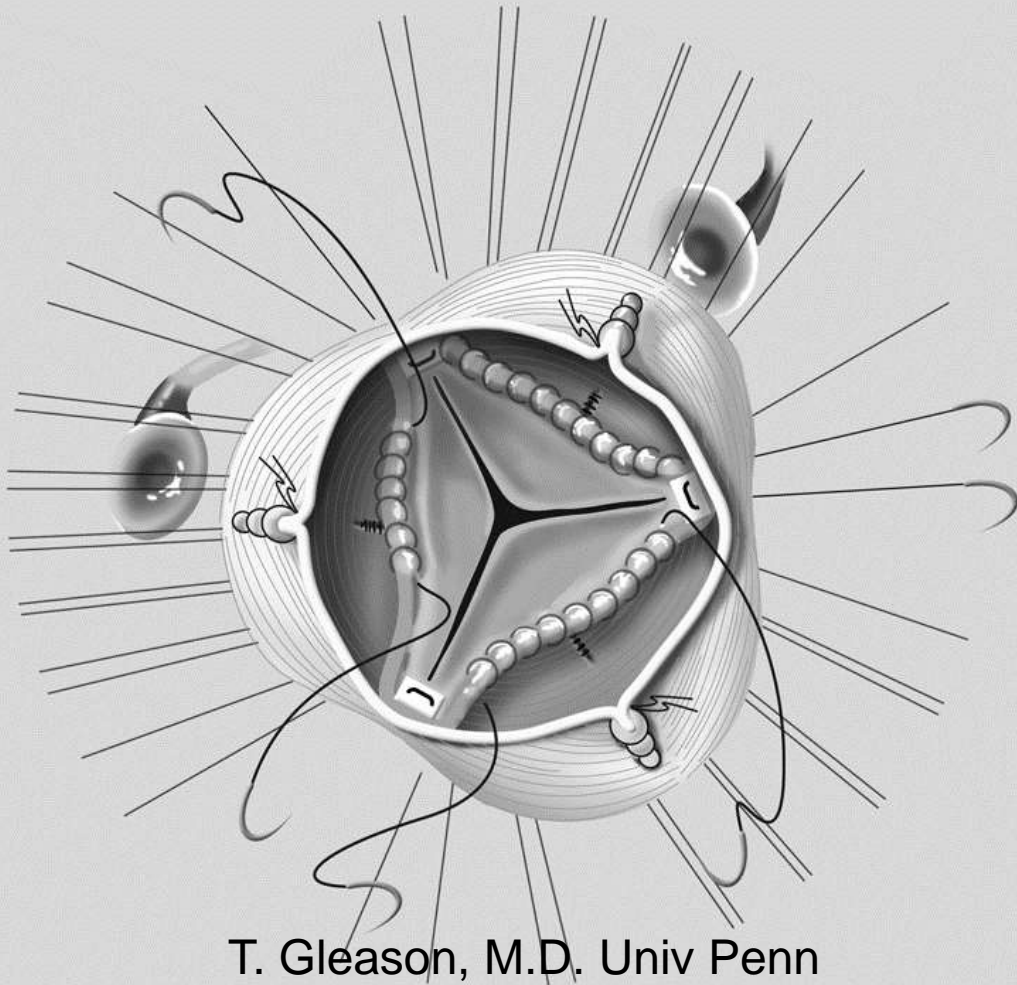
Marfan Root (41 yr. old Man) with 9 1st Order Relatives with either Dissection, Death from Rupture, or Replaced Roots !



Near Prophylactic Replacement

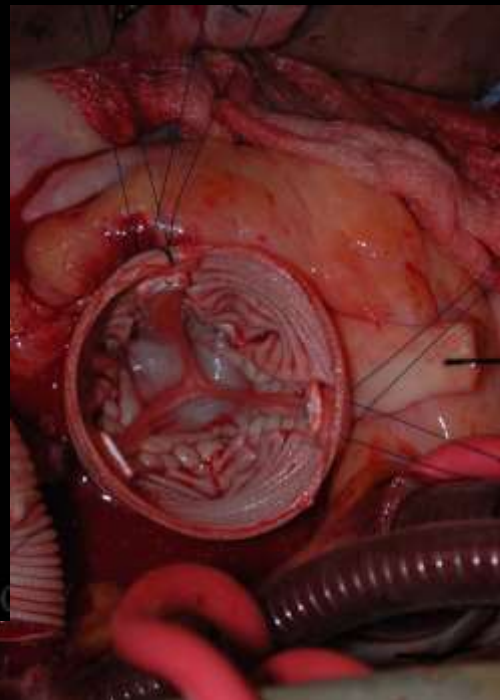
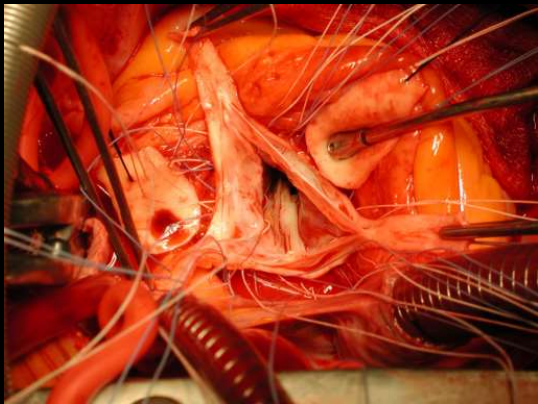
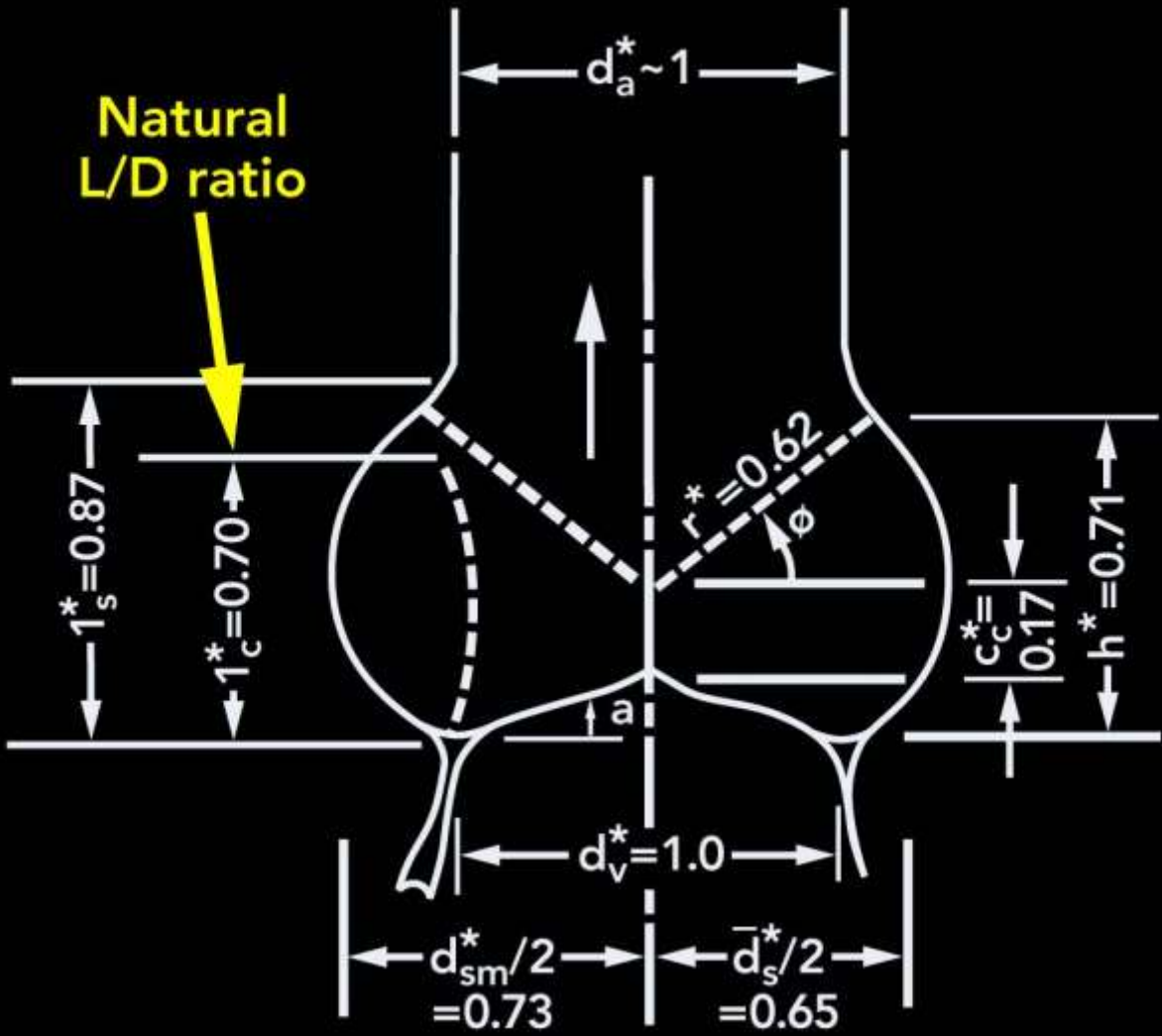
The Challenge for Thoracic Aortic Surgeons is to Spare RELATIVELY normal aortic valves, even if they are regurgitant, when the fundamental disease process is primarily an Aortic issue

Goal: Restore (even fix) Geometry and Reduce Stress for long lasting repair



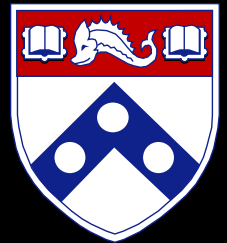
The Innovation is Conceptual and Improved Knowledge base

Dimensions of Native Aortic Valve



**Can We Spare more
Complicated Clinical Aortic
Valve Presentations?**

And Why is this so Important!



Bicuspid Valve and the Aorta: Effect of New guidelines?

1-2 Million people in USA !!!

MI: 0.3
T6H
05 JAN 06
A + DIST 2.57 cm
B X DIST 4.49 cm
C - DIST 5.09 cm

HUP TEE
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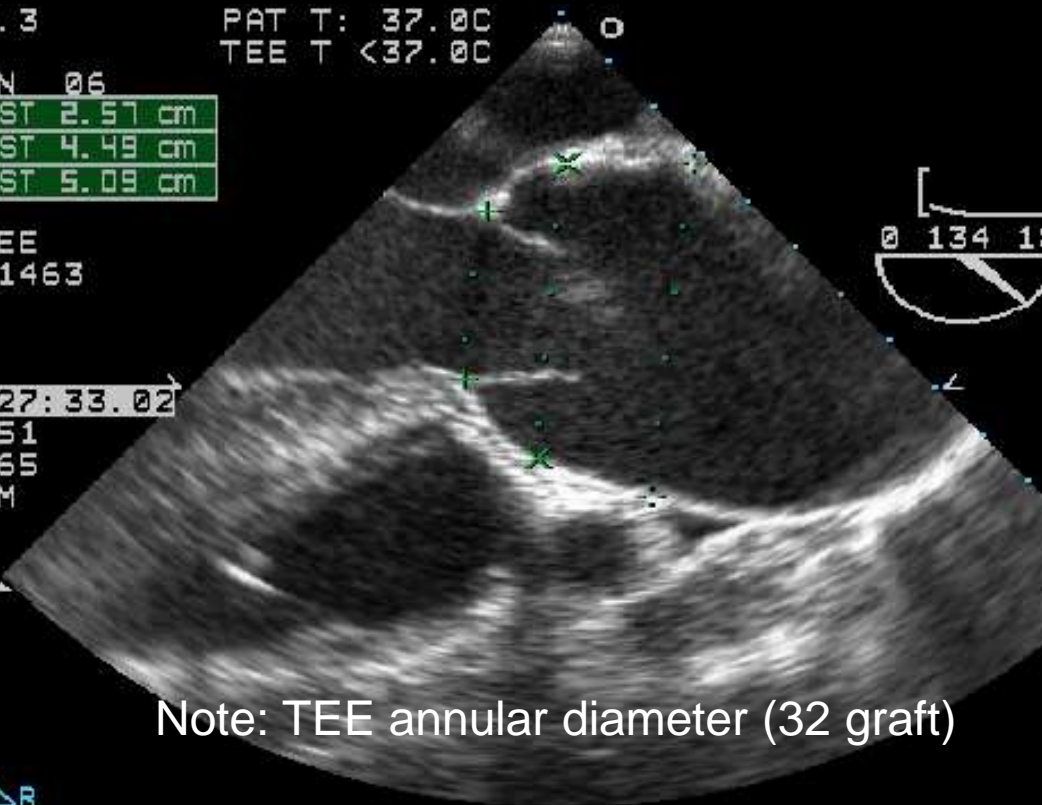
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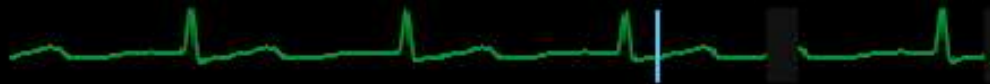
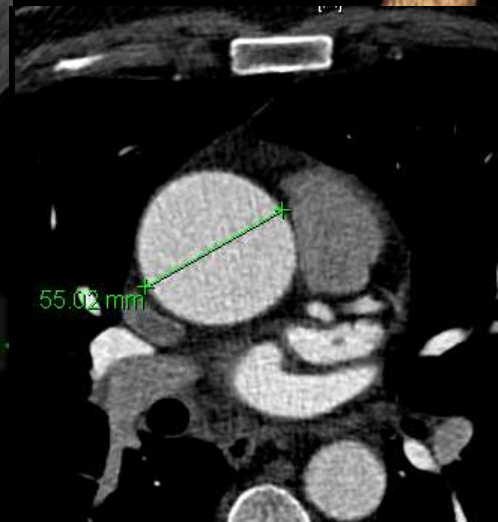
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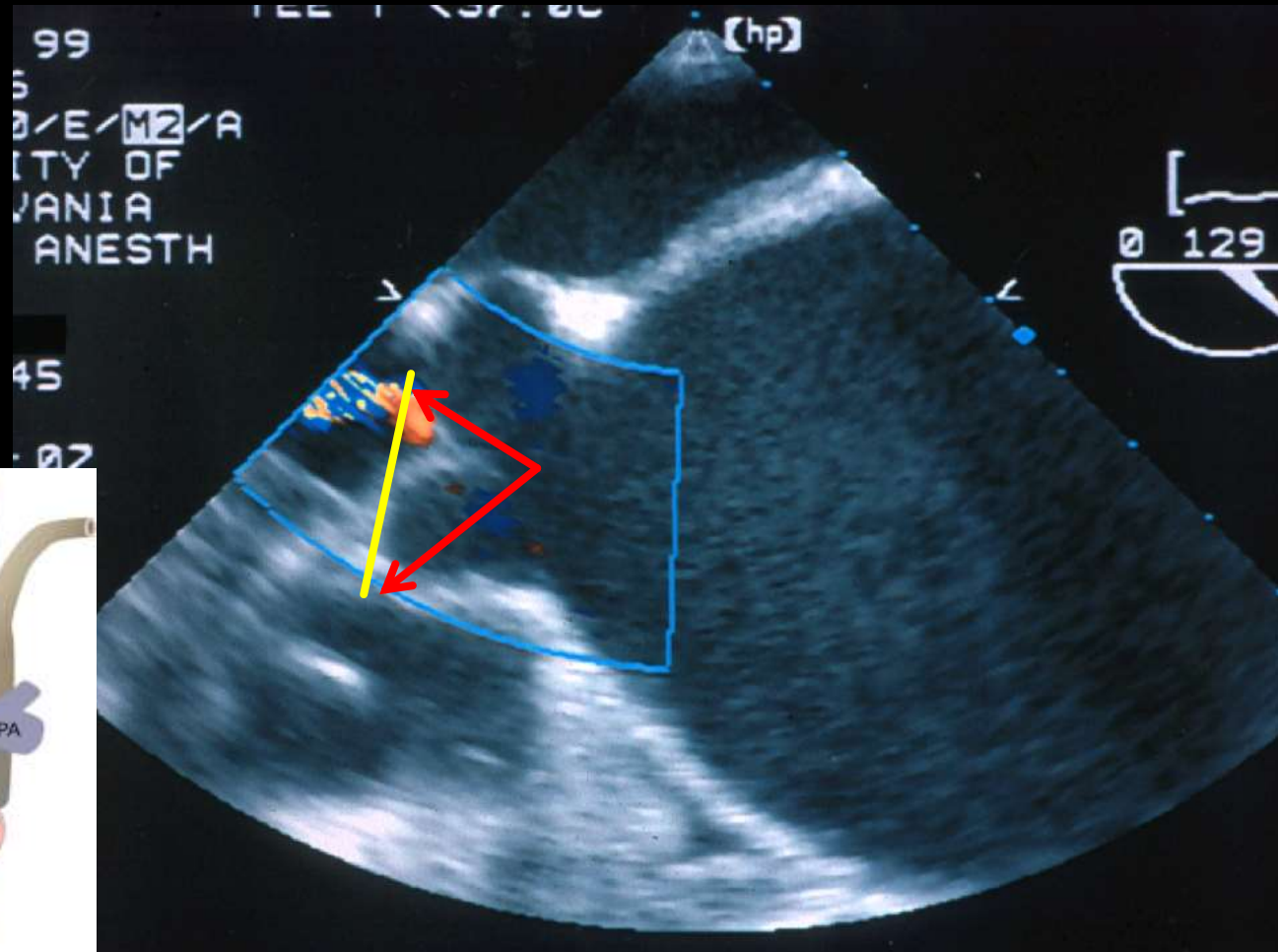
Note: TEE annular diameter (32 graft)



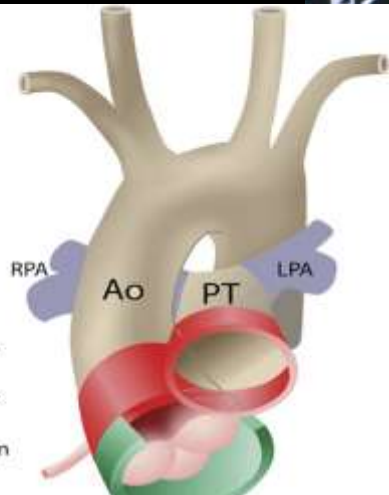
Young 32 yr. Woman with Bicuspid Aortic Valve with Mild-Moderate AI, Mild AS (leaflet restriction) and 8.0 cm Ascending Aneurysm

Concept of “Sino-Tubular Definition”

New Knowledge



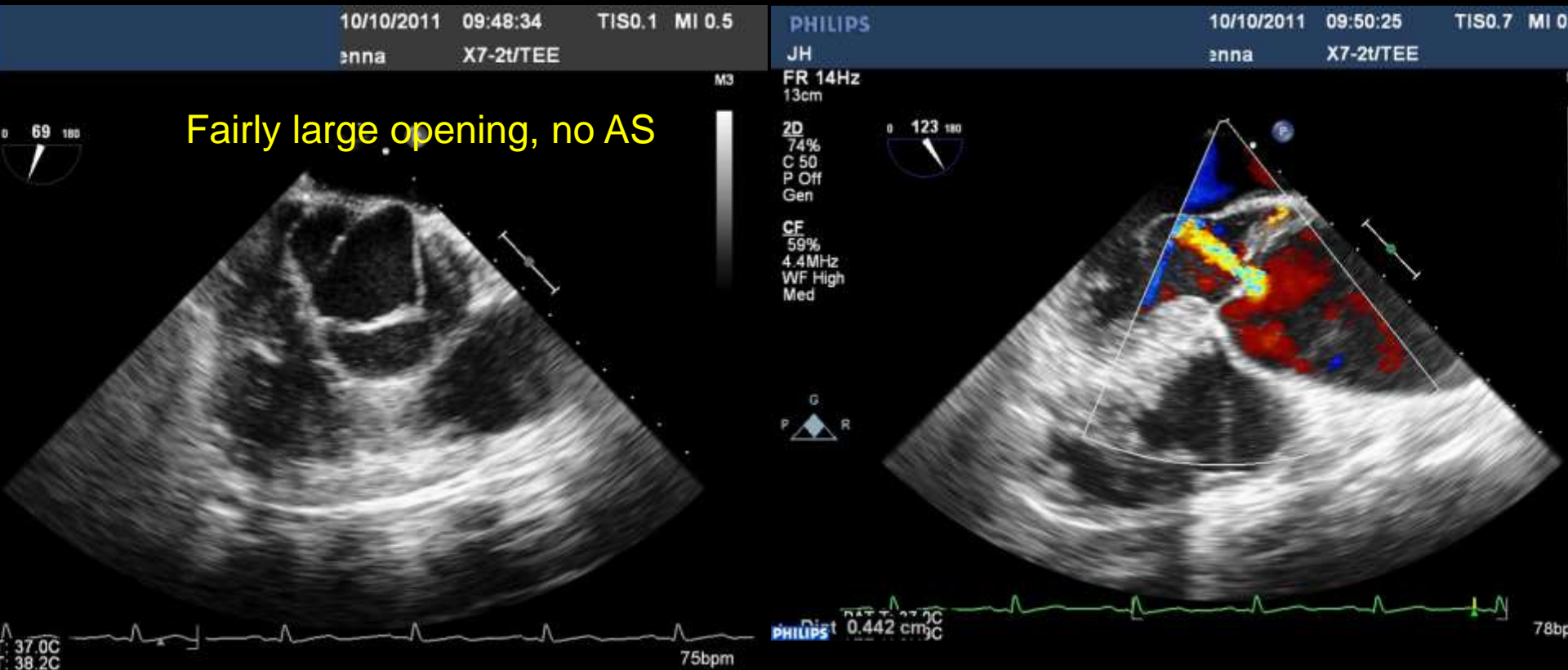
(B)



- Vascular smooth muscle CNC derived
- Vascular smooth muscle SHF derived
- SHF derived myocardium

The Pure AI BAV Patient with Dilated/Aneurysmal Proximal aorta

NOTE; Pure AI, No Calcified Leaflets

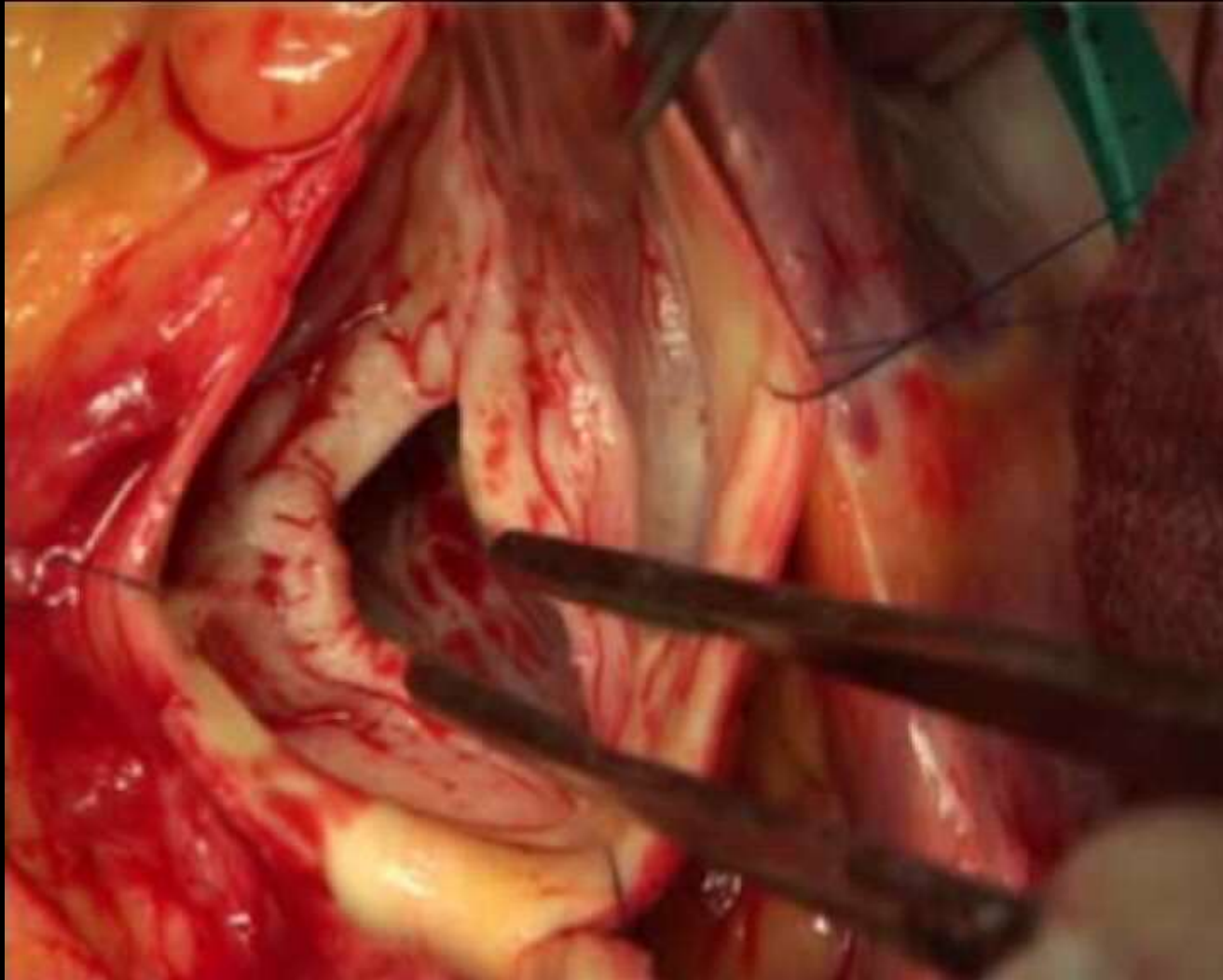


Still frames to depict anatomy



Can we really Repair something like this??

Bicuspid Valve Type 1? or 2?



Surgical Repair BAV AI Classification:

Fundamentally we are discussing Ib and c with II

Most Common combination

AI Class	Type I Normal cusp motion with FAA dilatation or cusp perforation				Type II Cusp Prolapse	Type III Cusp Restriction
	Ia	Ib	Ic	Id		
Mechanism						
Repair Techniques (Primary)	STJ remodeling <i>Ascending aortic graft</i>	Aortic Valve sparing: <i>Reimplantation or Remodeling with SCA</i>	SCA	Patch Repair <i>Autologous or bovine pericardium</i>	Prolapse Repair <i>Plication Triangular resection Free margin Resuspension Patch</i>	Leaflet Repair <i>Shaving Decalcificatio Patch</i>
(Secondary)	SCA		STJ Annuloplasty	SCA	SCA	SCA

BAV Ib + II usually associated with 15-25% larger annulus than standard for BSA



**Problem in the World
Wide Cardiac Surgery
Community Are we
Ready for “Prime Time”
..... No!**



Einstein: Make
everything as simple as
possible **But No
Simpler!!**

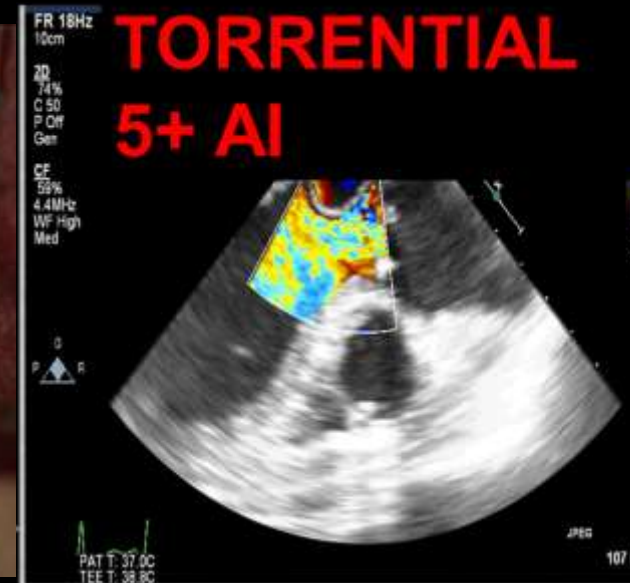
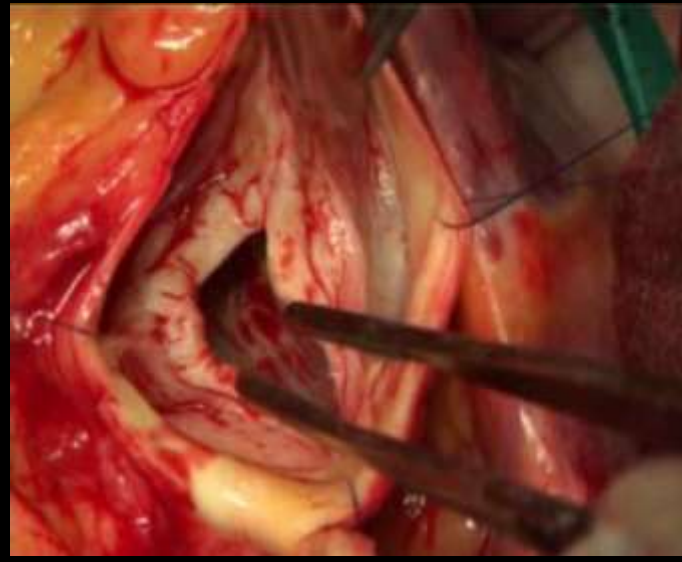
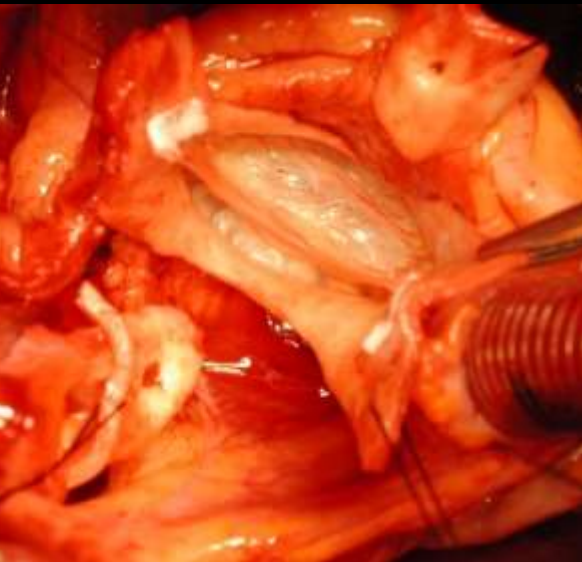


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What kind of Operation are we Talking about?

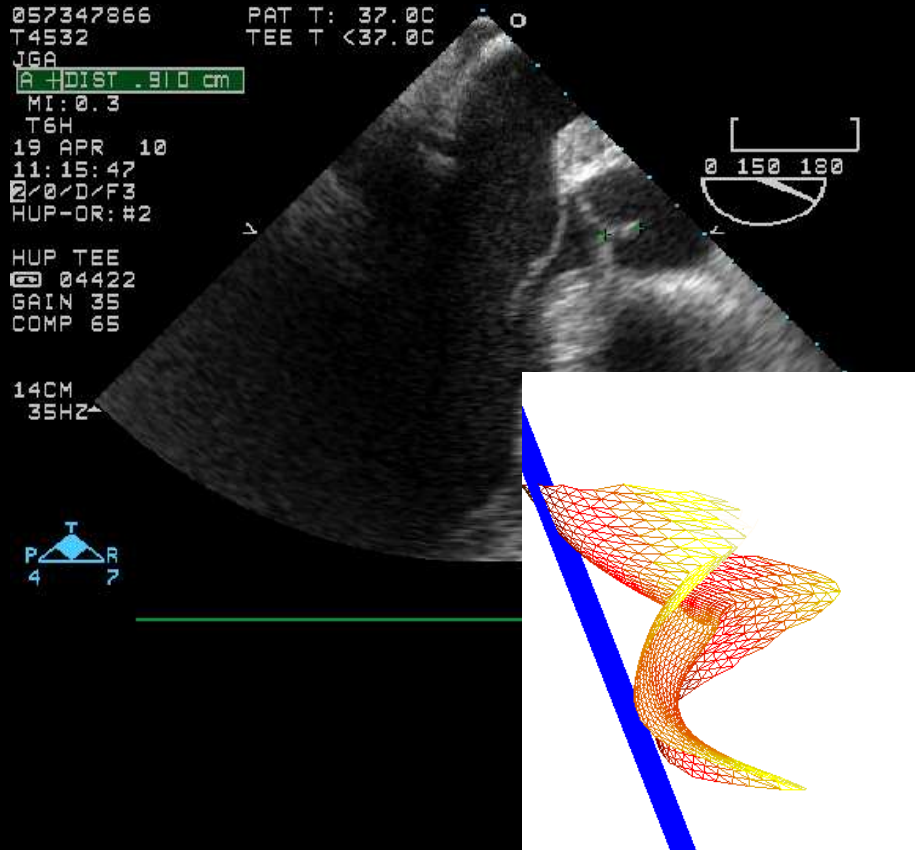


Bicuspid Aortic valve Repair Concepts (Direct Cusp or Leaflet)

- Even the free margin lengths: Plicate (or cut) the prolapsed cusp
- Annular Reduction (10-15%) and Stabilization with either Re-implantation (or Sub-Annular technique)
- Increase height (decrease length) of Free margin (gore-tex)if leaflet belly below annular plane.

■ Bottom line: “Any purely insufficient valve with enough leaflet surface area can be repaired”

Goal: Great Coaptation Zone

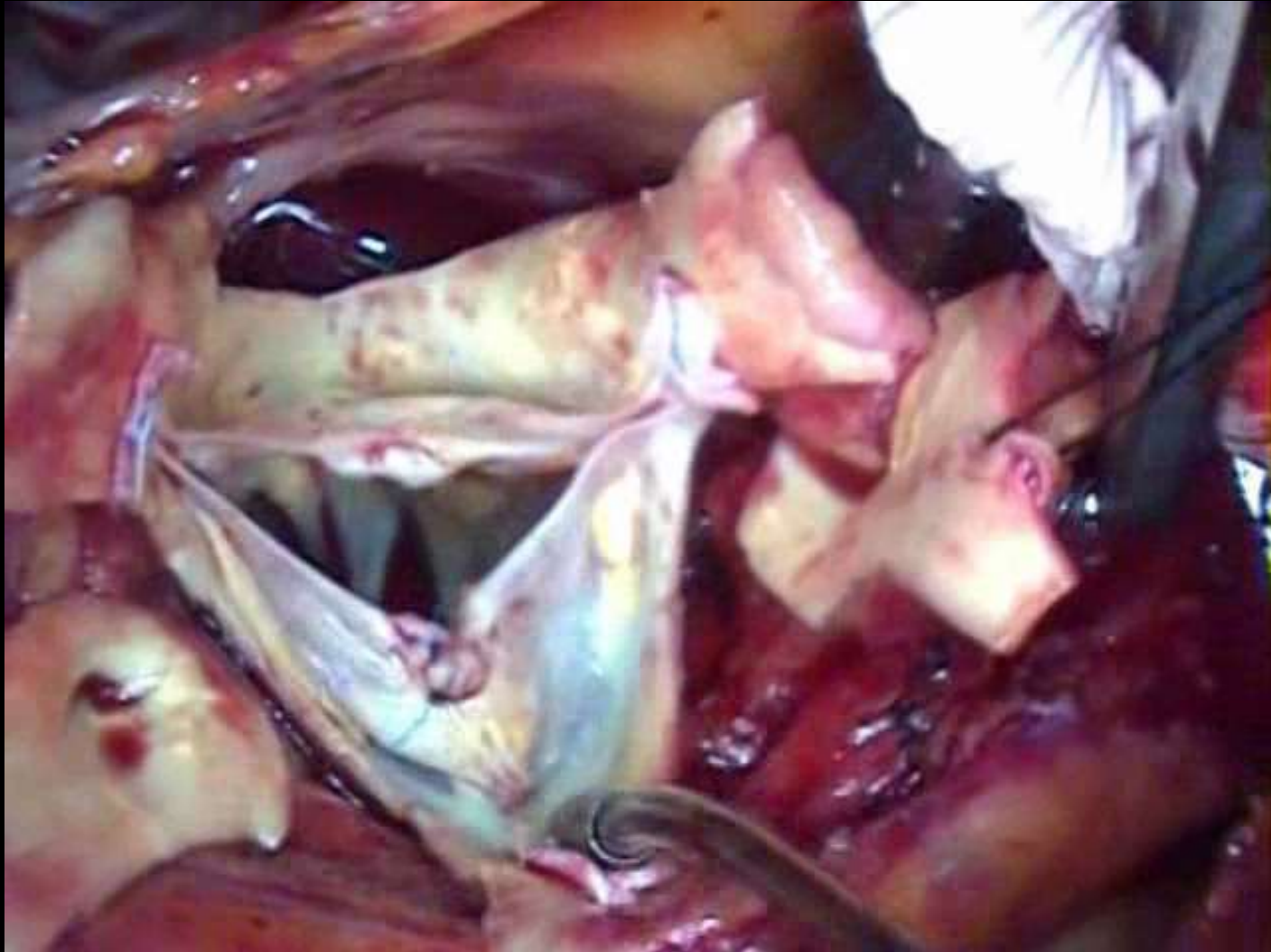


Measuring the Amount of excess leaflet to resect for Leaflet Free Margin Equality

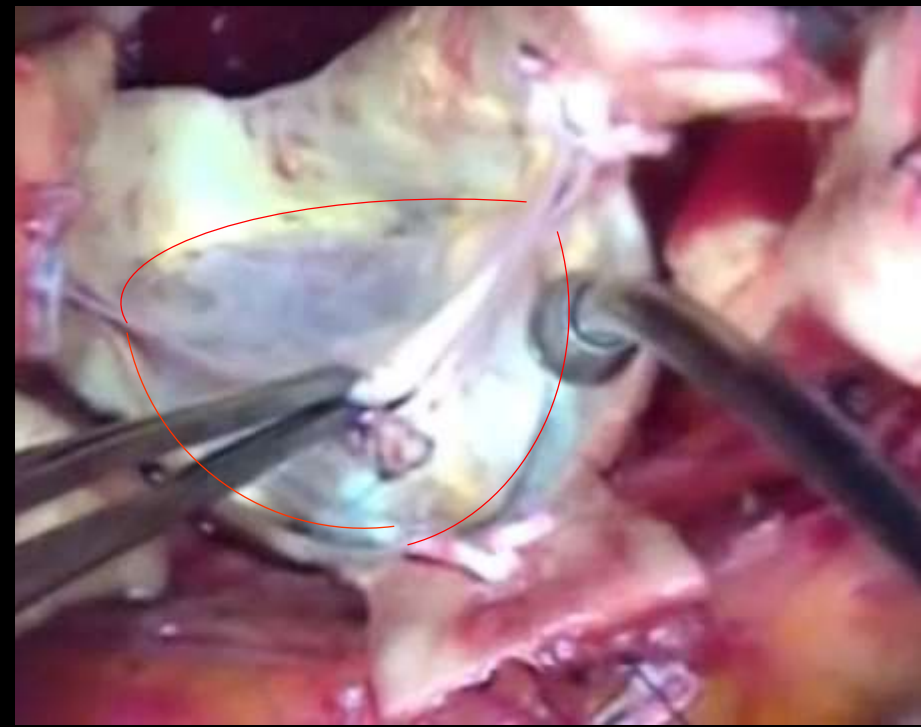
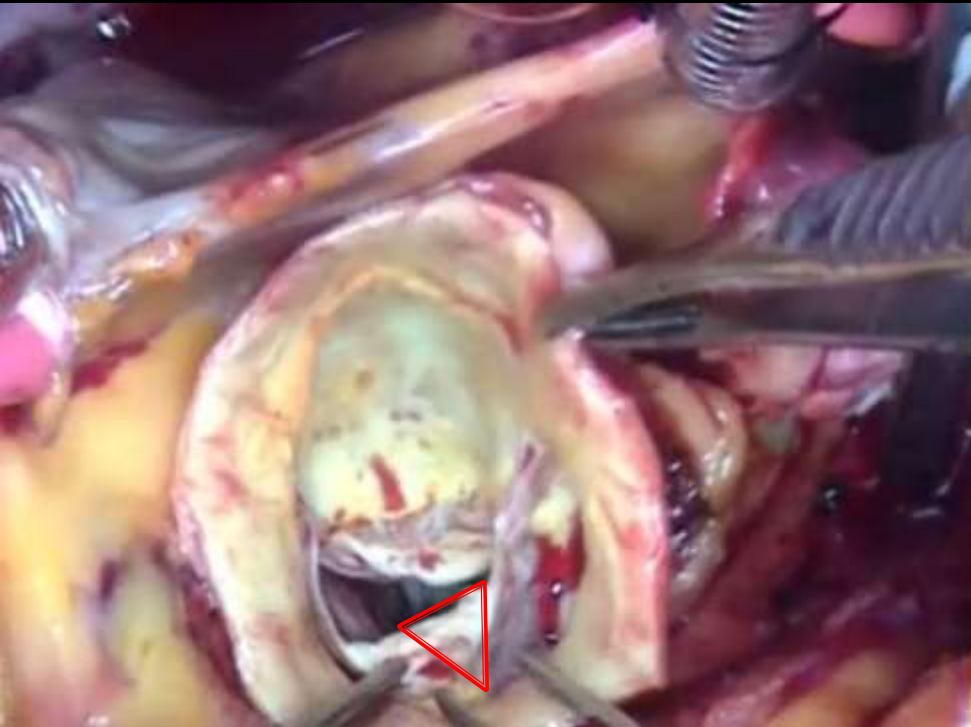
Treating the Prolapse



Post-Repair Evaluation: For Margin Equality, Perimeter assessment



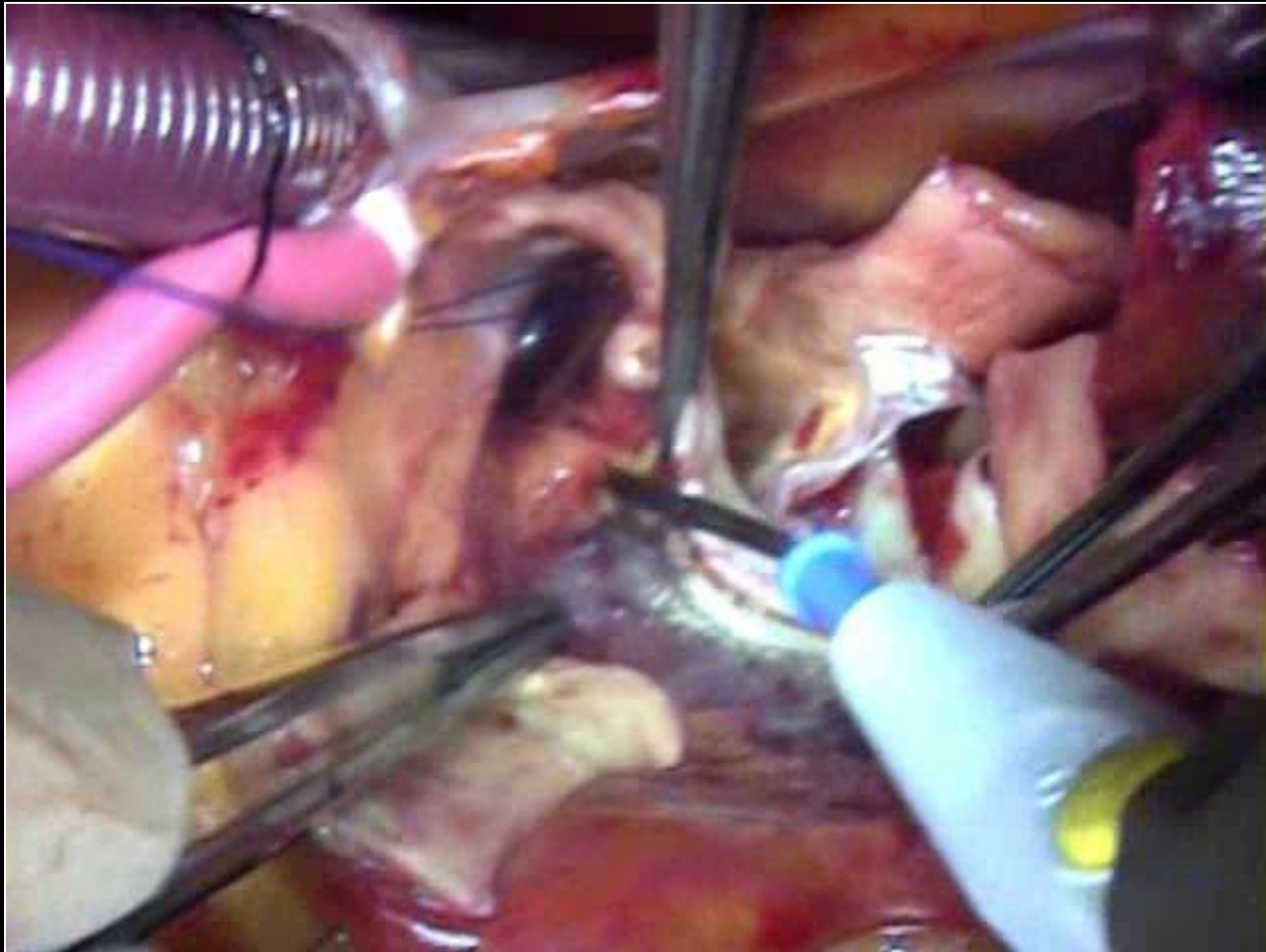
Raphe Release, Equalization of Free Margin, and Plication/Resection of Redundant leaflet



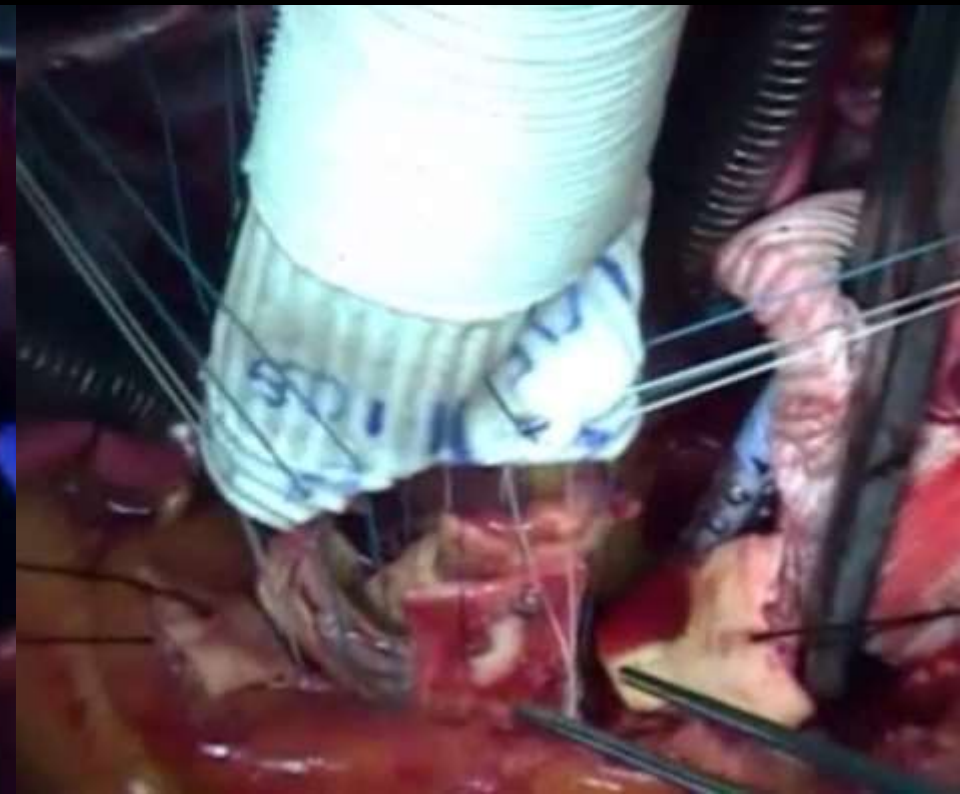
Coronary Buttons are cut.
210/150 perimeter and Leaflet
surface area ratios.



Preparation of the Root for Subannular Suture Placement and Re-Implanation Procedure



Construction of Stable (smaller) Annulus and Reimplantation of the "New Root" in 3 dimensions



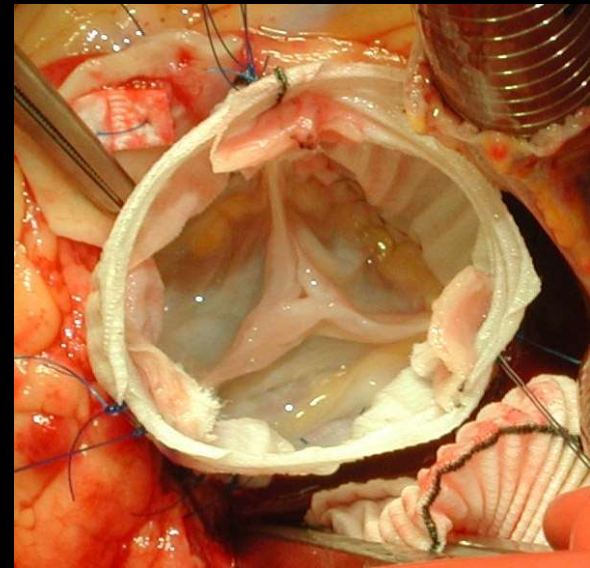
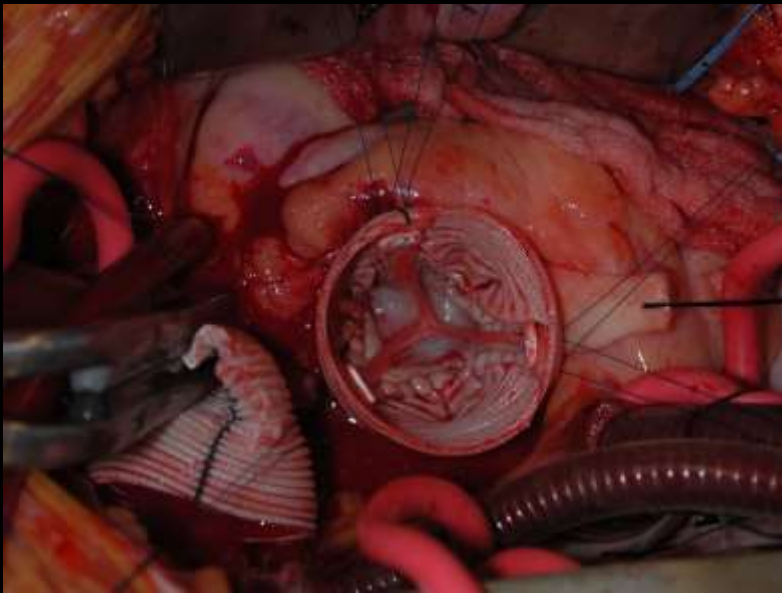
210/150 Neo ValSalva Root
(Raphed BAV)



***So What's the data on Bicuspid
Reimplantation Valve Sparing with
Aneurysm and repaired AI?***

Outcomes with BAV Repair + Root Reimplantation:

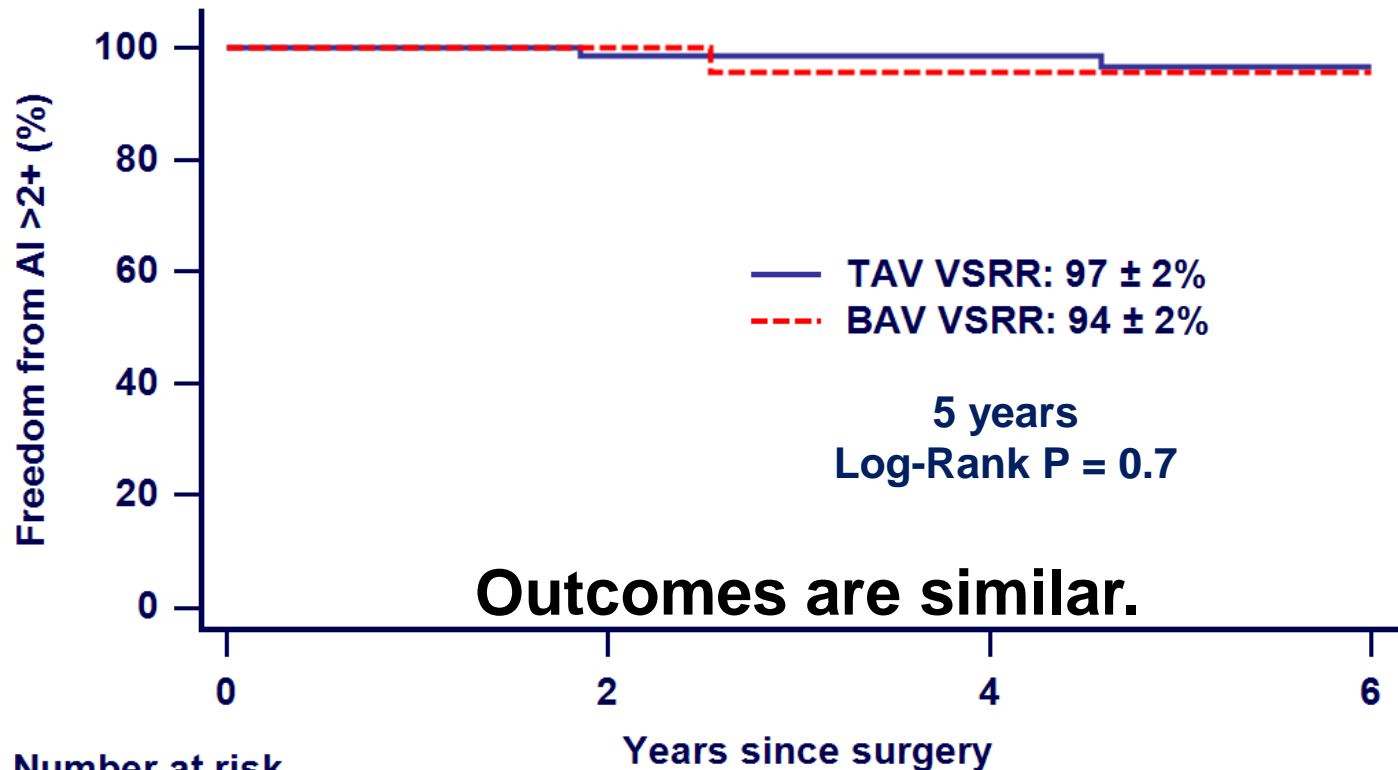
How do they compare to our institutional tricuspid aortic valve root reimplantation?





Freedom from AI >2+ (%)

100% of BAV VSRR had Leaflet Repair



Number at risk

TAV VSRR:

104

67

50

39

BAV VSRR:

44

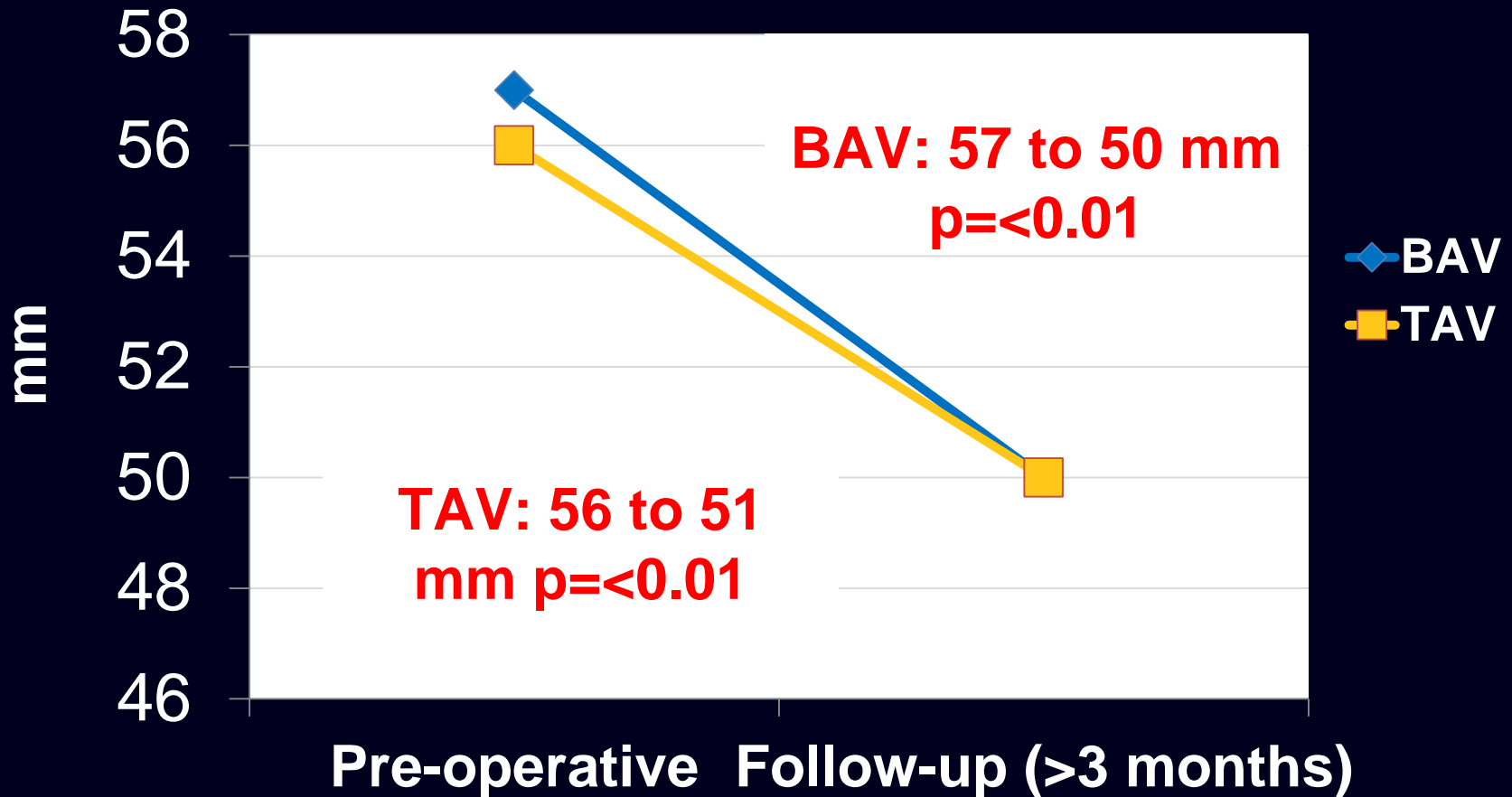
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LV Diastolic dimension change



VSRR achieved excellent left ventricular remodeling in both BAV and TAV patients over follow-up. (STS 2014)

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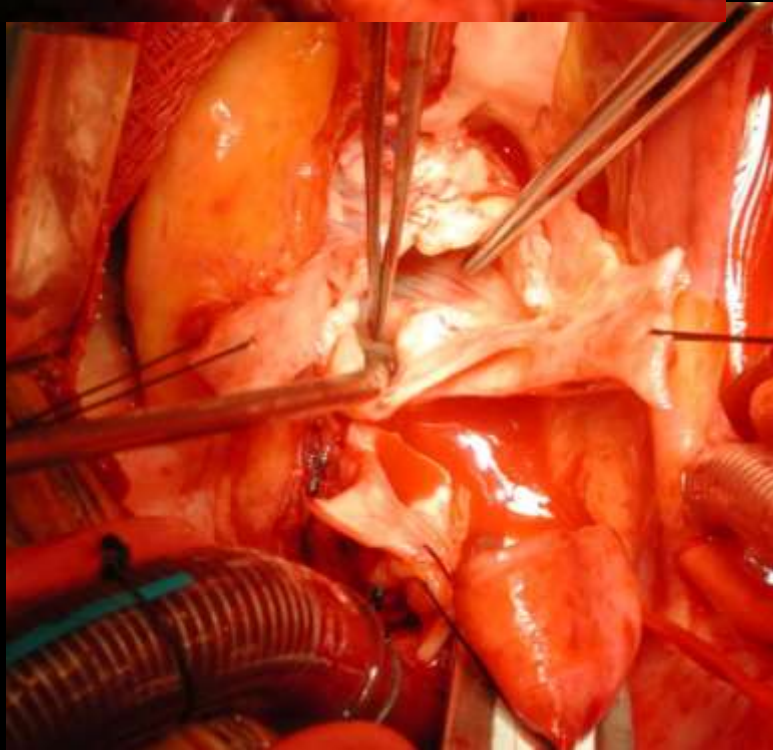
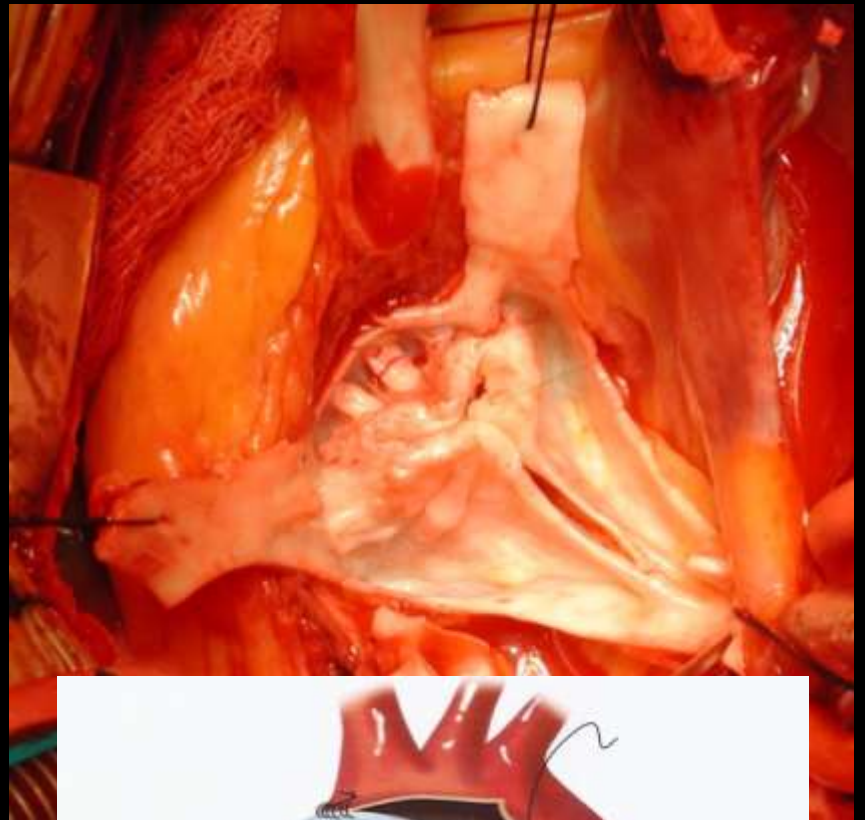
Why Audit?

Because we're human
and can make mistakes



Mike „Choogs“ Machuga
Professional bowler
10 years on tour
4 PBA titles



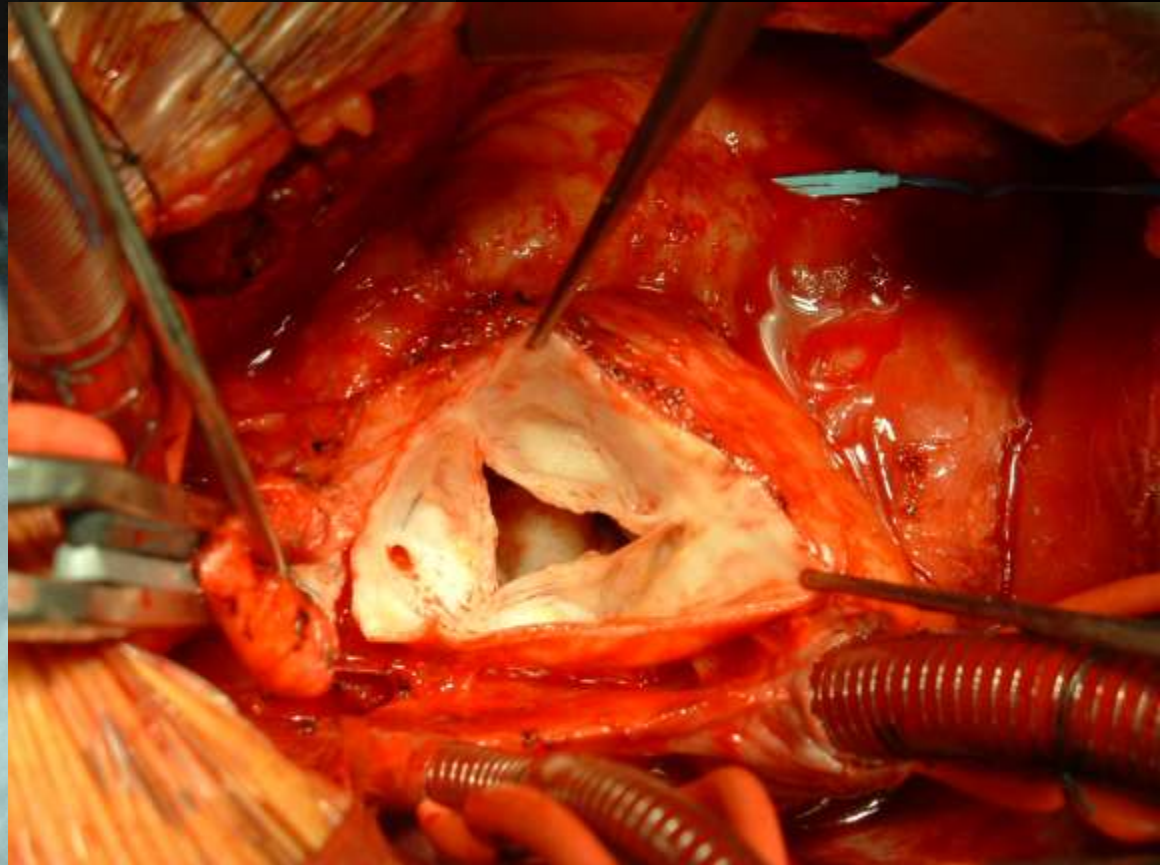
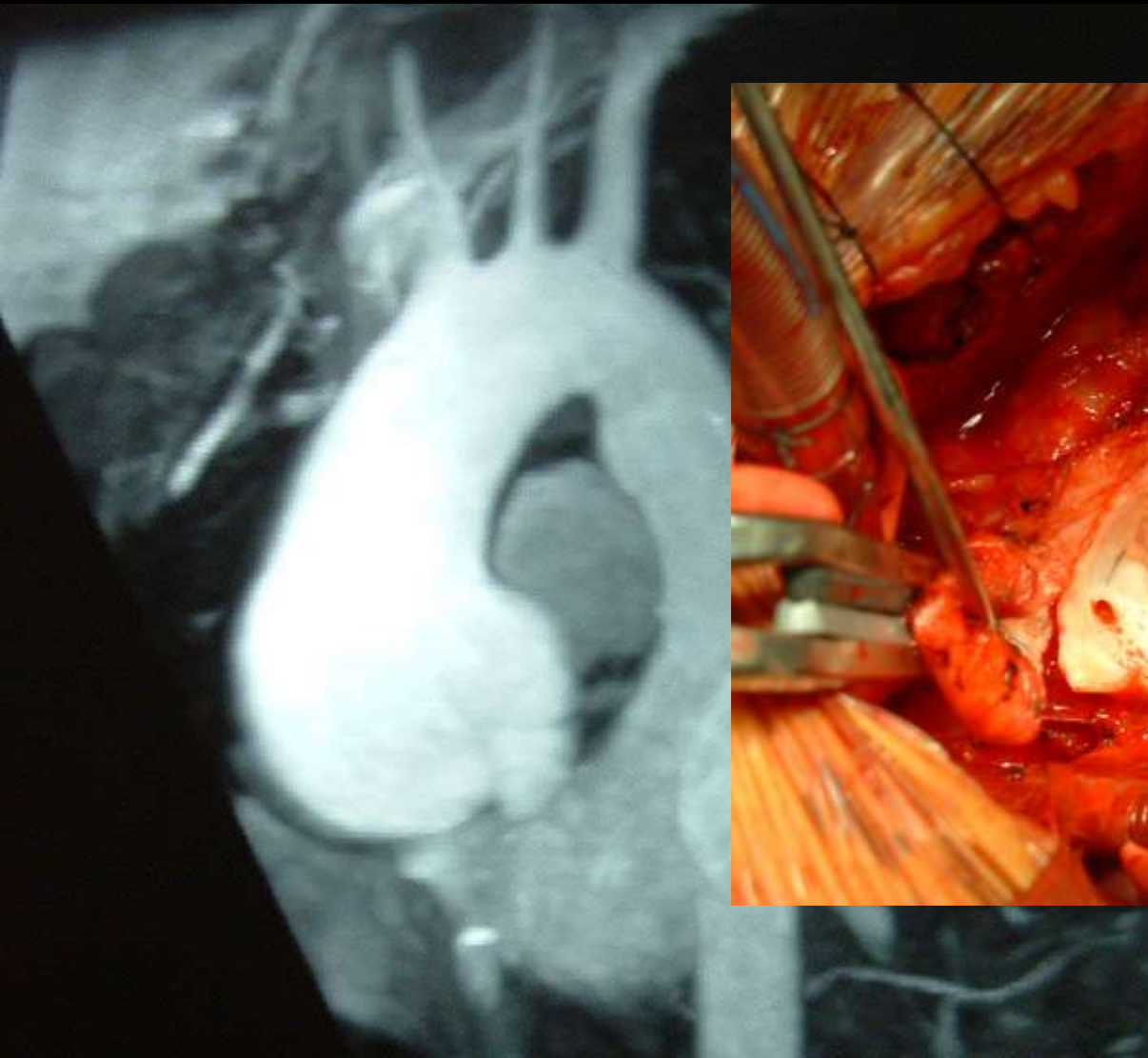


Marfan's Sinus of ValSalsa Aneurysm (7.0 cm.) with Severe (+4) AI



Valve Sparing ?? Too much AI, too much aneurysmal dilation, too much leaflet surface area,

Failed Ross in 30 Year Old Male (Redo Buttons): Concept of COMBINATION Root aneurysm and DECREASED Leaflet (Cusp) Surface Area



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Chronic Dissection: Either Residual Type B after Type A Repair or simple Chronic Type B

10 yrs out

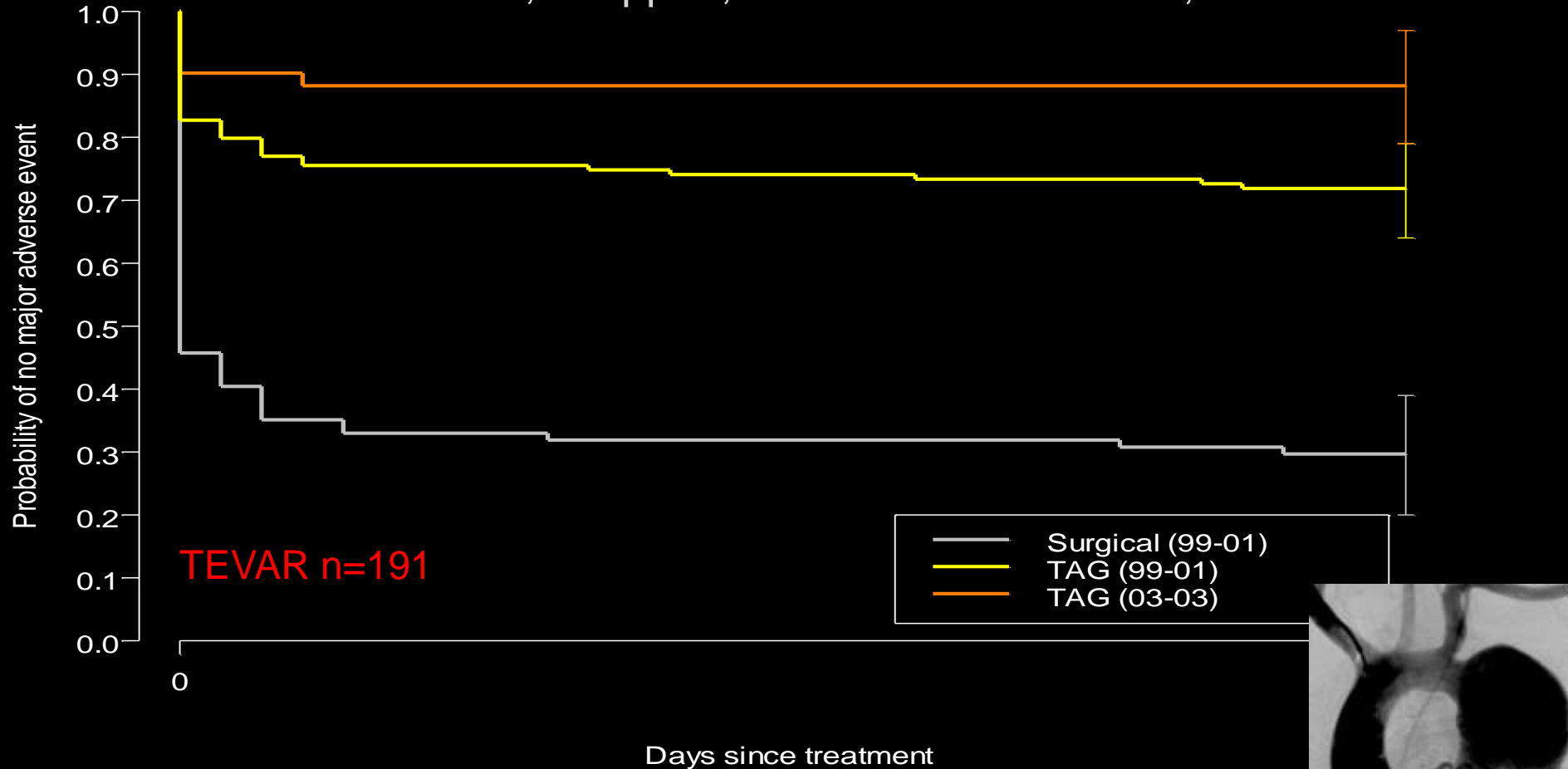


Thick chronic Membrane/Flap



Freedom from a Major Adverse Event Through 30 Days

J.Bavaria, J. Appoo, S.Mitchell: AATS 2005, JTCVS 2007



Chronic Distal Aortic Dissection after previous Type A: TEVAR



Chronic Type B aortic dissection: Again all 4 vessels off true lumen



Pre-stenting



Post-stenting



Operative Candidate? Must Be a Better Option!!!

84 yo



82 yo



Patient / Anatomy Selection



TEVAR

TEVAR



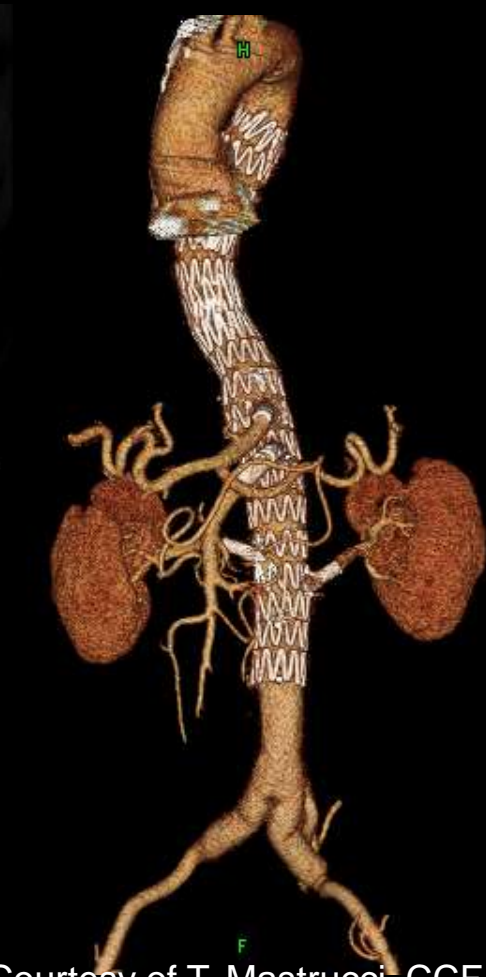
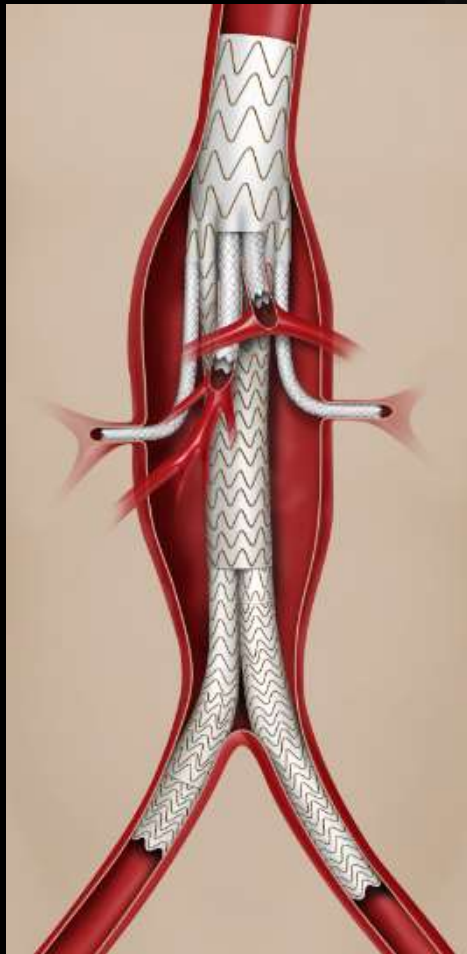
Most cases

Open

TEVAR vs
Medical??



EndoVascular TAAA: Especially for Atherosclerotic Aneurysm



Courtesy of T. Mastrucci, CCF

Chronic Dissecting TAAA further in the future





*How does a Division of
Cardiovascular Surgery (or a
Department of Surgery) CREATE an
environment of Innovation and Early
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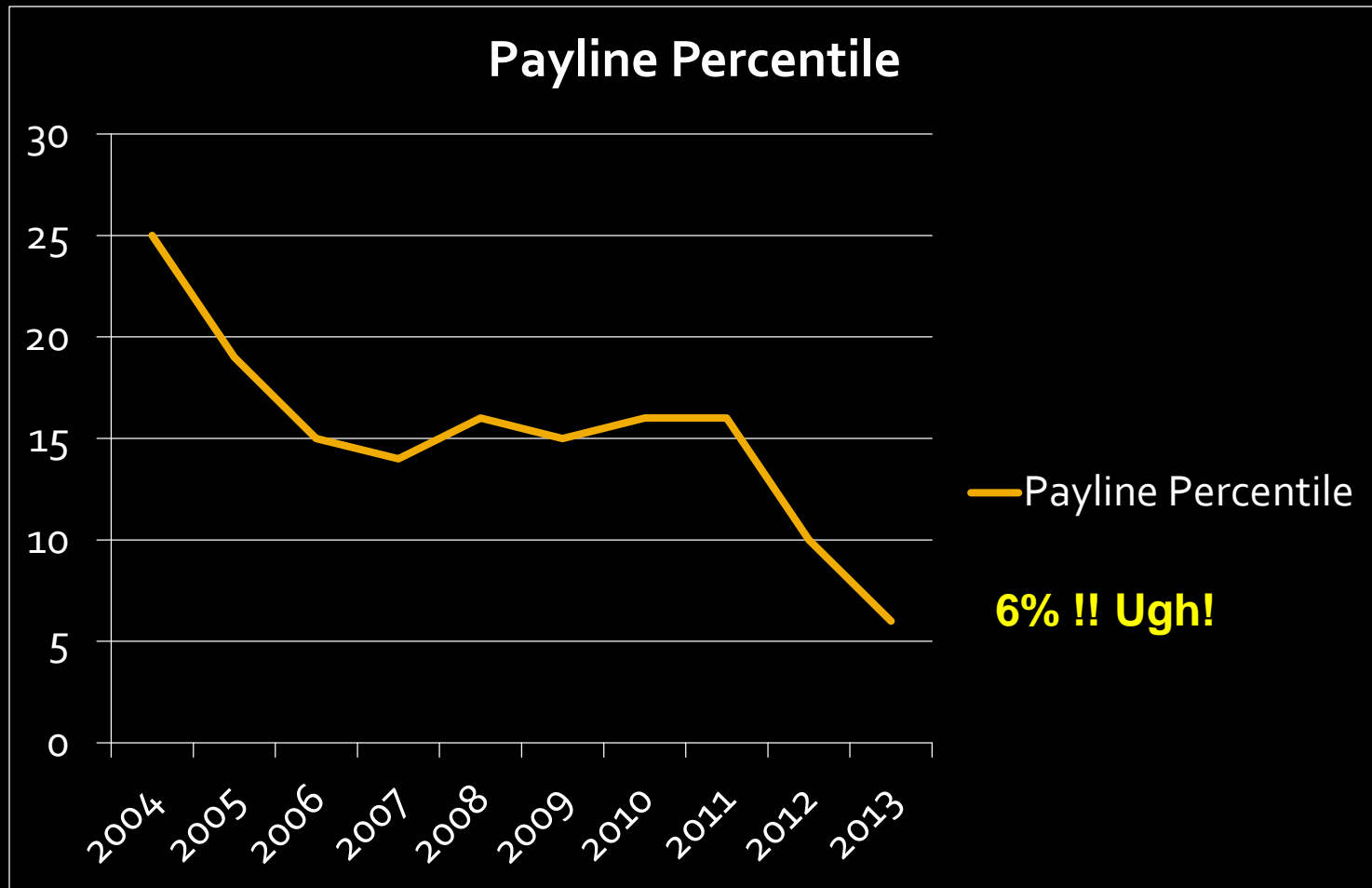
*None of the stuff we just talked about can happen in a
sclerotic surgical environment!*

Benefits of a Robust Clinical Research Program

- Trials:
 - New Technology early
 - Attracts the best residents to your program
 - Marketing Budget (New Stuff!)
 - Academic Papers, publications
- Outcomes:
 - Academic Papers, publications, presentations
 - Quality improvement
 - Tie in with marketing (own the data Superiority of clinical databases over administrative/billing databases.

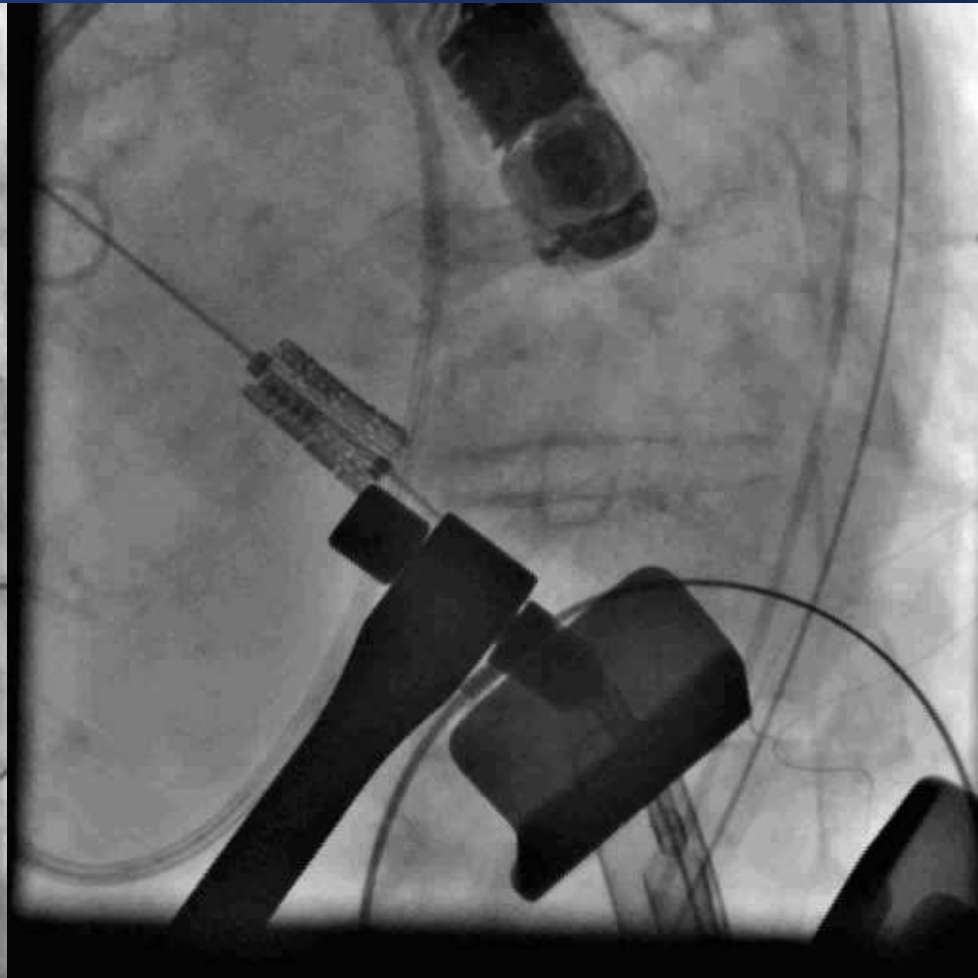
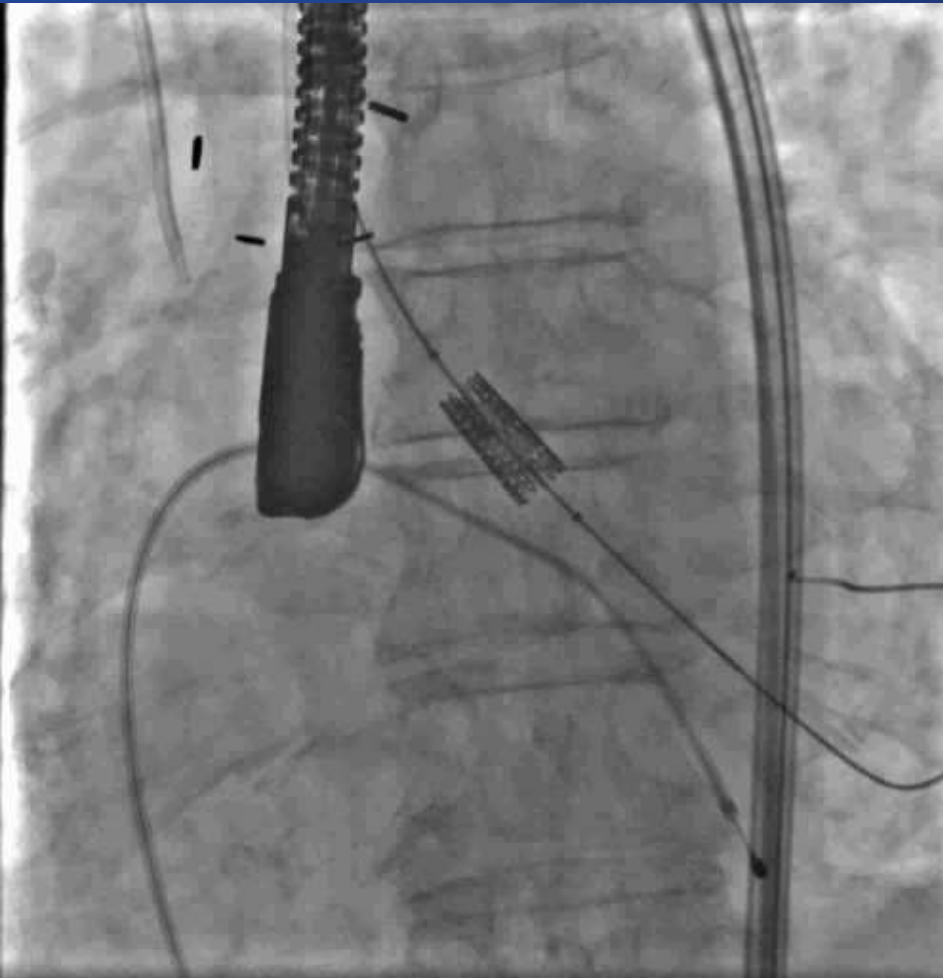


NIH Year Payline Percentile



Examples

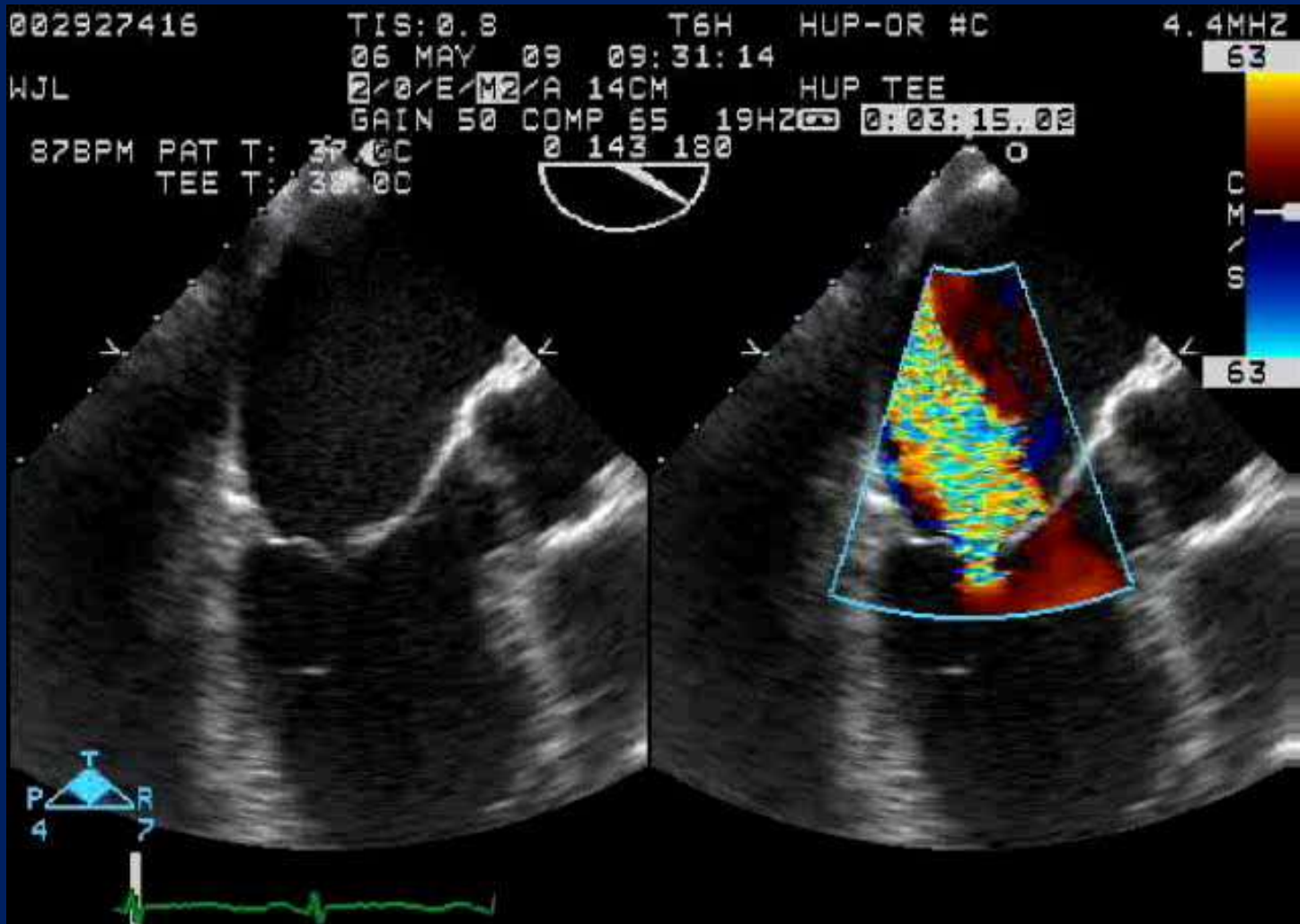
TAVI Deployment



It all started in US with Partner Trial (Penn Nov 2007)

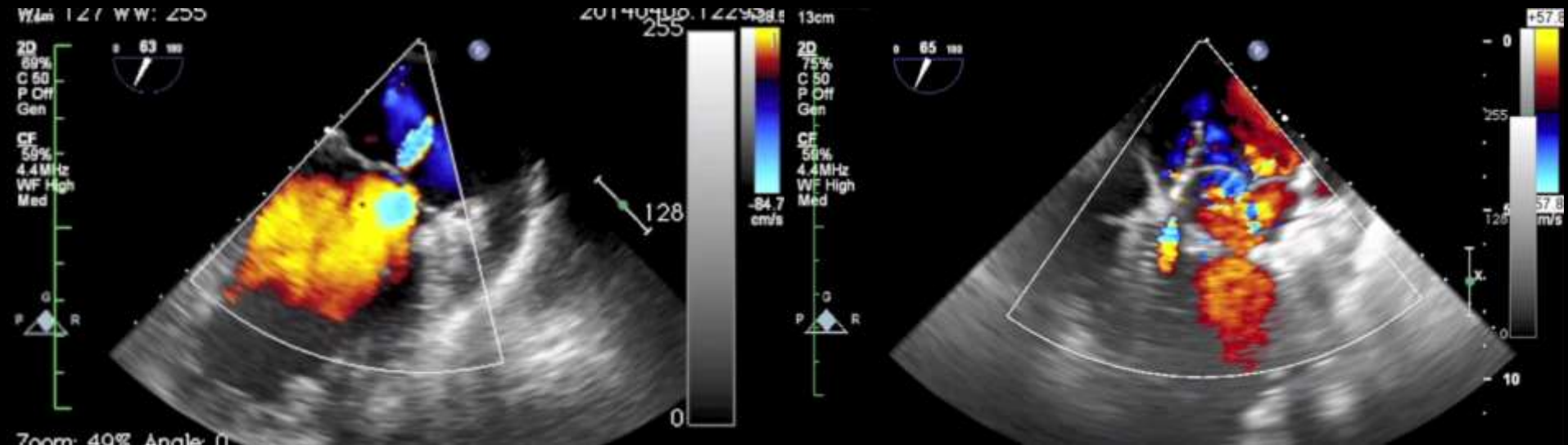
SoThe Four Key Criteria:

1. Delivery, 2. Fixation, 3. Residual MR,
4. No SAM



CardiAQ™ Gen2 TA FIH

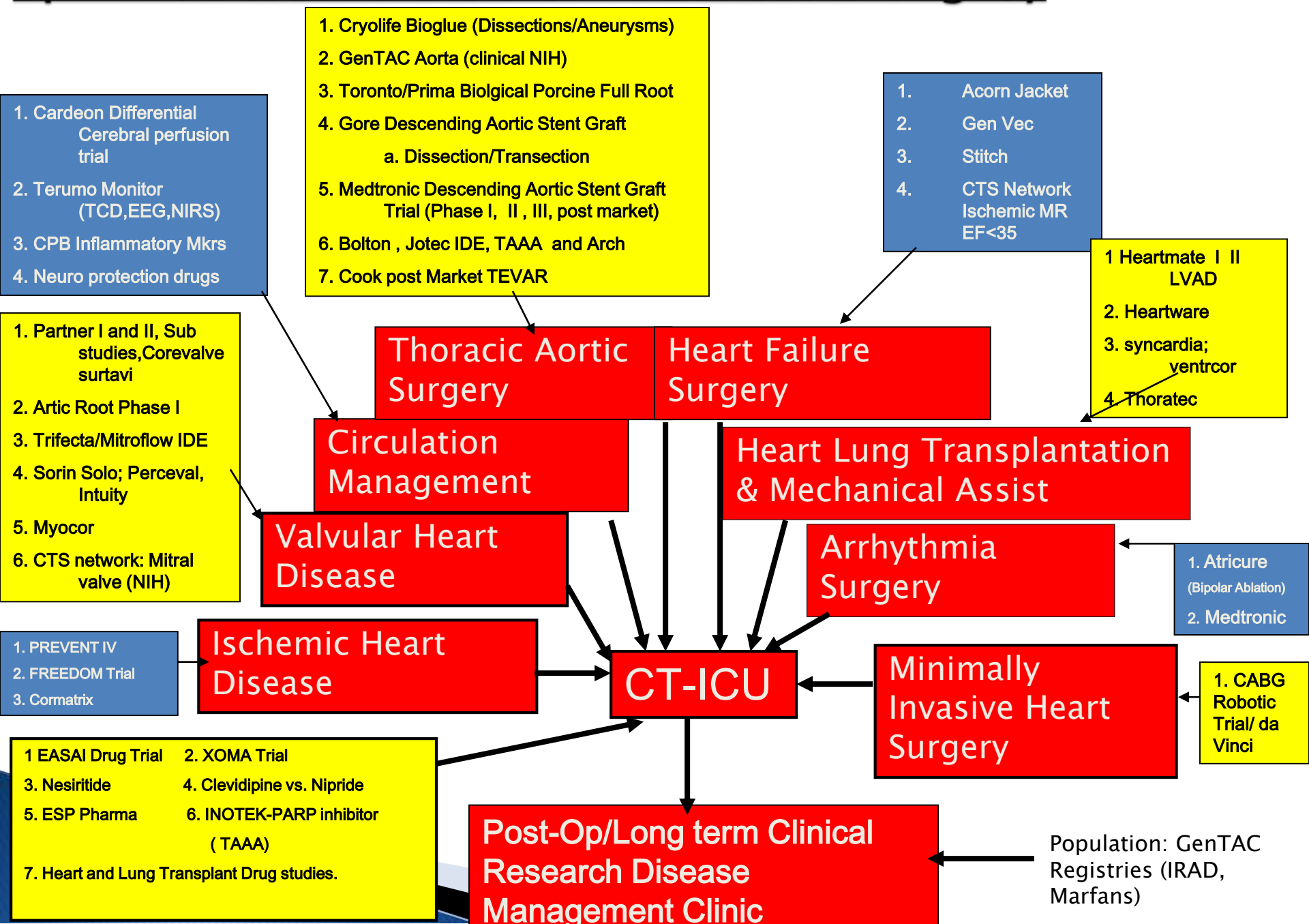
- Performed by Lars Sondergaard and team at Rigshospitalet in Copenhagen
- 88yr old Female, MR 4+, prior CABG, not a candidate for Surgery or MitraClip
- CardiAQ Gen2 Transcatheter Mitral Valve
- New *Trans-Apical* Delivery System



Pre-Procedural: MR 4+

Post-Procedural: Trace

Spectrum of Adult Cardiovascular Surgery



Innovation does need
some Vision



Disclosures/Conflicts

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- **W.L. Gore**: Primary Investigator TAG Trial; FDA PMA submission; PI Early Feasibility TBE, PI Dissection trial
- **St Jude Medical**: PI Trifecta FDA PMA trial; Portico Trial
- **Cook Medical**: Co-Primary Investigator TX2 Thoracic Aorta Trial, PI Post market TX2 trial
- **Bolton Relay**: sub-PI TEVAR trial
- **Sorin**: sub PI Perceval trial
- **Jotec**: Consultant; FDA E-Vita submission
- **Vascutek**: Aortic Symposium Director
- **Edwards**: PI, Partner Trial/ FDA PMA; PI Commence FDA Trial; PI Intuity FDA Trial
- **CardiAQ/Edwards**: Founding Team, Equity Holder



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- Etc, etc, etc.

This is Not a Bad Thing!!



Partner TAVI Trial High-Risk Enrollment by Site

NEJM 2010, NEJM 2011, NEJM 2012, etc, etc.....

Cedars-Sinai Medical Ctr 116
Los Angeles, CA
G. Fontana, R. Makkar

Columbia University 97
New York City, NY
M. Leon, C. Smith

Medical City Dallas 95
Dallas, TX
D. Brown, T. Dewey

Emory University 67
Atlanta, GA
P. Block, R. Guyton

University of Pennsylvania 52
Philadelphia, PA
J. Bavaria, H. Herrmann

Cleveland Clinic Found 47
Cleveland, OH
L. Svensson, M. Tuzcu

Washington Hospital Ctr 40
District of Columbia
P. Corso, A. Pichard

University of Miami 25
Miami, FL
W. O'Neill, D. Williams

Barnes-Jewish Hospital 24
St. Louis, MO
R. Damiano, J. Lasala

Stanford University 23
Palo Alto, CA
C. Miller, A. Yeung

Northwestern University 20
Chicago, IL
C. Davidson, P. McCarthy

St. Paul's Hospital 19
Vancouver, BC, Canada
A. Cheung, J. Webb

Non-University programs

Epiphany (Vision):

Eventually, Every Aortic
condition will be treated with
TEVAR and Every Valvular
Condition with Endo-Cardiac
treatment and every Bad heart
with a small pump !?!



However:

We will Need Surgeons
who can do BOTH Open
Surgery and TEVAR/TAVI

..... Lots of Complications and the necessity for
definitive treatment will remain And
Reconstruction always wins



“The Treatment is best provided by
specialists who are great open surgeons
AND great endovascular surgeons”

Juan Parodi, MD; STS 2006





Best Landscape for the Continuing Aortic, Valve and LVAD Treatment Revolution ?



Hybrid OR-Part of The Future



Thomas Eakins: Gross Clinic (1878@JEFF) and Agnew Clinic (1888@PENN)

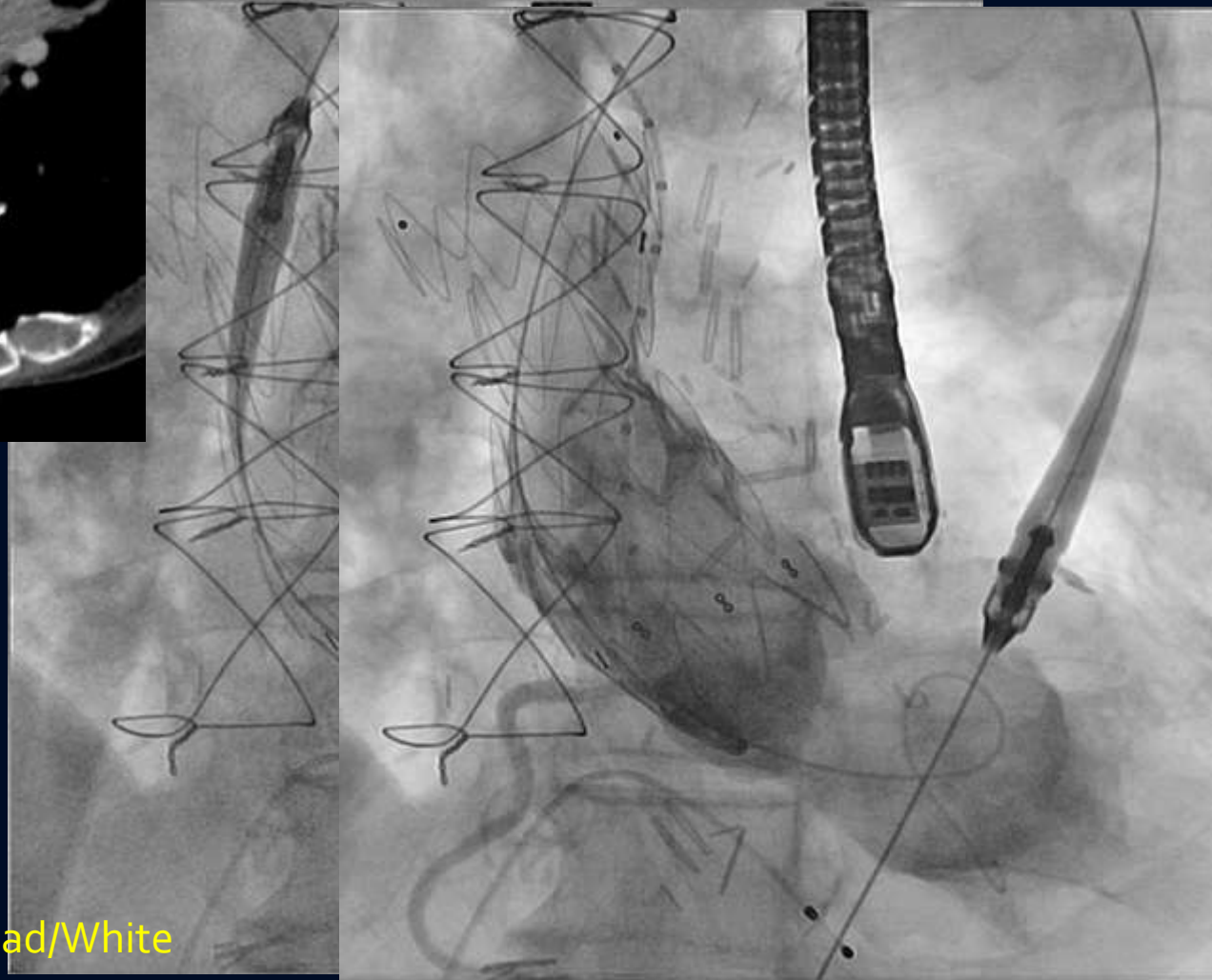
Great Progress in 10 years!

Thank You

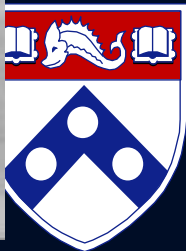


Medtronic Ascending Endograft

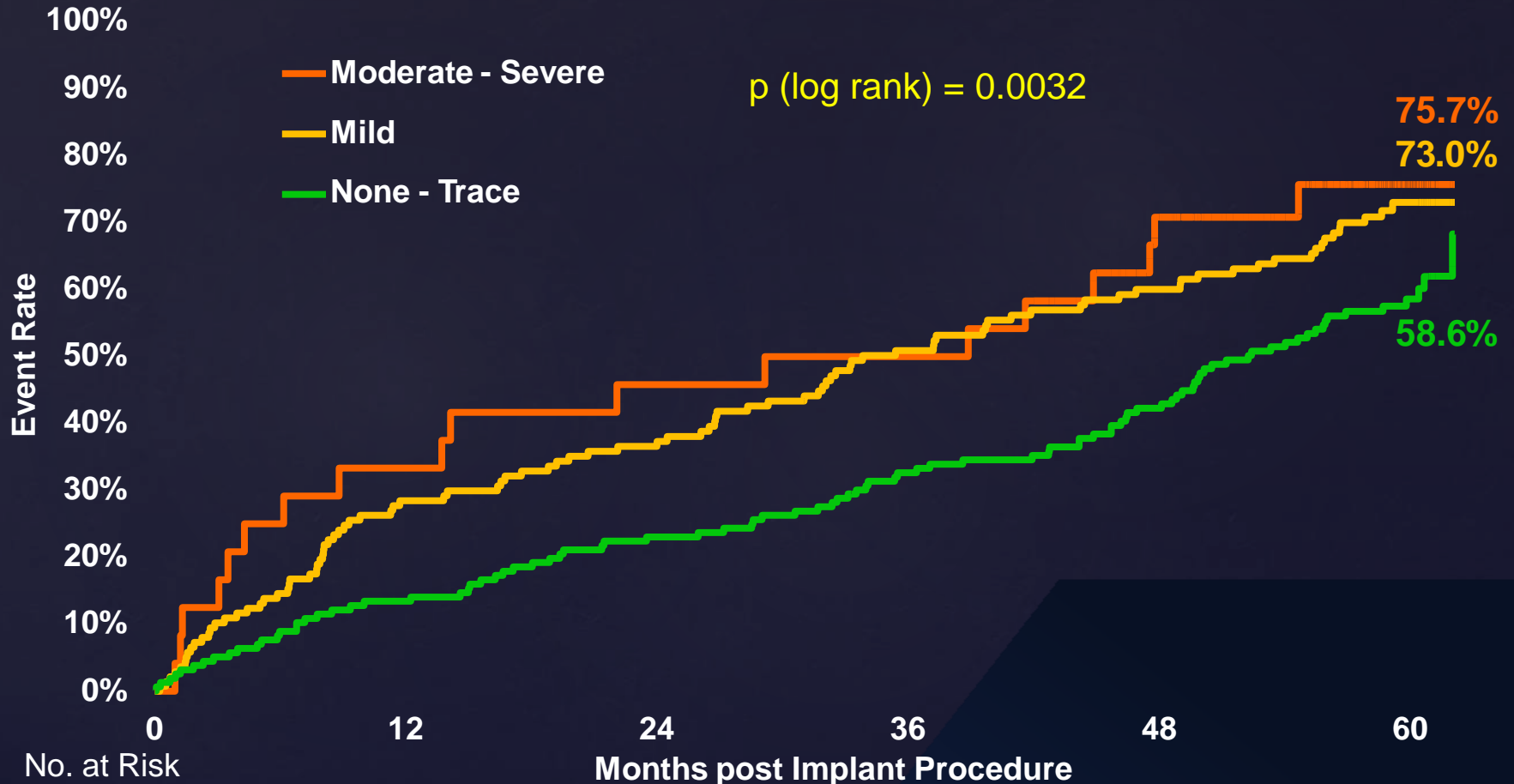
Valiant Captiva
46x46x80 mm



Courtesy of Khoynezhad/White



Mortality and Post Procedural PVL TAVR Patients



	0	12	24	36	48	60
M-S	24	16	13	12	7	2
Mild	137	98	84	65	52	11
N-T	158	135	120	105	88	34

Baseline Patient Characteristics

S3i Patients



Average STS =

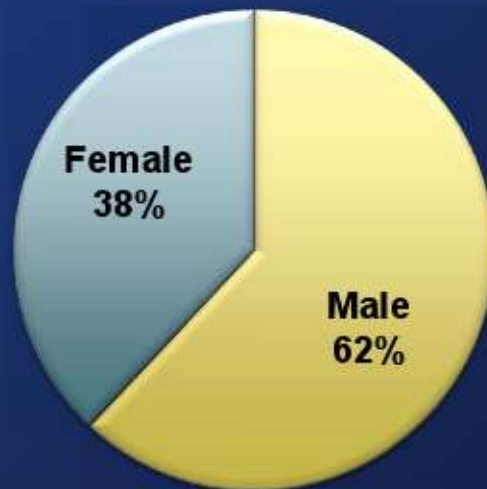
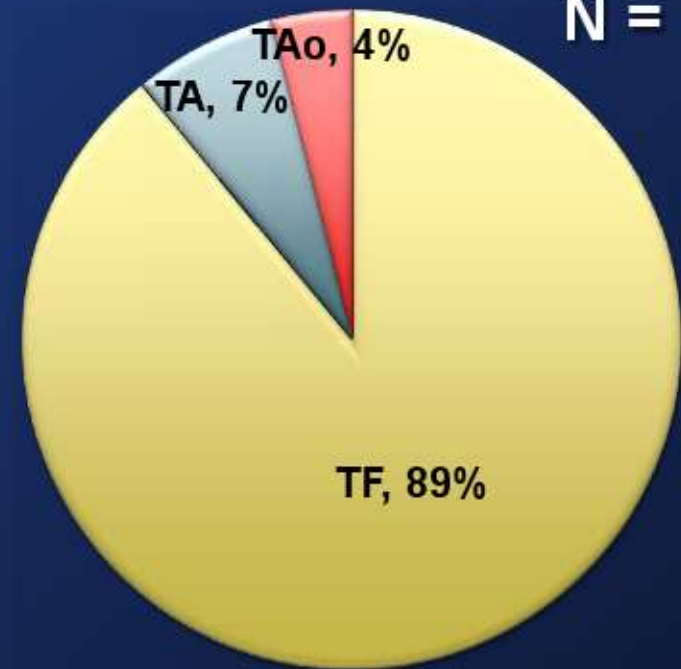
5.3%

(Median 5.2%)

Average Age =

81.9yrs

N = 1076



Example Commercial Patient

Name for Scrolling

DRG 219

Entity (All)

	-1	0	1	2	3	4	Grand Total	
	\$242	\$37,269	\$1,831	\$1,206	\$971	\$127	\$41,647	
OR SUPPLIES		\$32,500					\$32,500	78%
01305192 TAVIAORTIC VALVE		\$32,500					\$32,500	
NUR-SILVERSTEIN 10			\$802	\$802	\$802		\$2,405	6%
O.R. YELLOW		\$2,093					\$2,093	5%
01100346 OR 1ST HALF HR		\$369					\$369	
01100353 OR ADDTL HALF HR		\$1,552					\$1,552	
06550008 ART. (THORAC. AORTA) S/I		\$173					\$173	
NUR-SICU-CT/GS		\$1,606					\$1,606	4%
PHAR - IP CENTRAL ROBOT NARC		\$281	\$605	\$105	\$86	\$64	\$1,140	3%
PERIOP ANES TECHS HUP		\$444					\$444	1%
AUTO LAB		\$196	\$119	\$8	\$14	\$33	\$371	1%
BLOOD BANK	\$207		\$83				\$290	1%
RESPIRATORY THERAPY-HUP		\$94	\$164				\$258	1%
BONE/CHEST/ER SUPP		\$26	\$26	\$26	\$62	\$26	\$167	0%
ECHO LAB				\$117			\$117	0%
INPATIENT PT-HUP				\$69			\$69	0%
INPATIENT OT-HUP				\$67			\$67	0%
PHLEBOTOMY		\$9	\$21	\$4	\$4	\$4	\$43	0%
RAD DIAGNOSTIC CAM	\$33						\$33	0%
PREP & RECOVERY SC		\$16					\$16	0%
COAGULATION			\$7	\$7			\$14	0%
EKG LABORATORY	\$3	\$3	\$3		\$3		\$12	0%
CLINICAL LAB		\$0	\$1	\$0			\$1	0%
Grand Total	\$242	\$37,269	\$1,831	\$1,206	\$971	\$127	\$41,647	100%

OR Supplies,
driven by valve
78% of direct cost



Future Considerations and Conclusions

- Repairative Heart Valve surgery, Small Pumps, Aortic Endovascular, and Transcatheter “EndoCardiac” procedures will gain traction and grow along with other niche areas
- Traditional Cardiac Surgery will remain important and steady as will Congenital
- Cardiovascular Surgery may get a bit smaller (ABTS 135 vs 95) as a specialty
- Public Reporting of Outcomes and therefore the clinical STS National Database will become essential (also STS/ACC TVT database)



Present State of Thoracic Aortic Surgery: Achievements

1. Stunning Advances in Aortic Root Surgery
2. Extremely Low Morbidity/Mortality Ascending (Proximal Aortic) Treatment Outcomes
3. Advances in Aortic Arch Results
4. Acute Type A Dissection Series in High Volume Centers between 8-14% Mortality
5. Outstanding Descending Aortic Treatment Results
 1. Open and TEVAR (especially "on-Label")



Present State of Thoracic Aortic Surgery II

6. Improving Technical Advances in TAAA Surgery, especially Dissection TAAA Aneurysm.



From: **United States Health Care Reform: Progress to Date and Next Steps**

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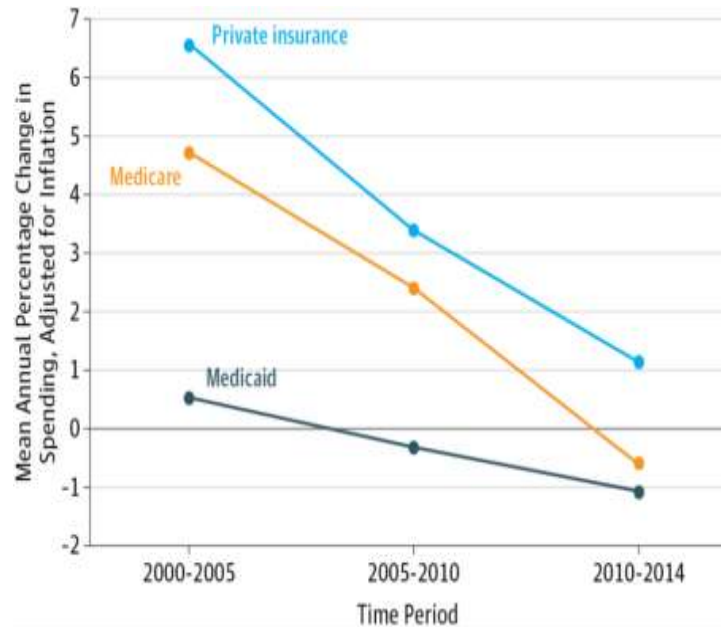


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