

# From Theory to Practice: Differences of ACURATE neo2 from Other Valves & Blending the Best for Superior Performance



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# Design features

## Open upper frame

Stabilization anchor & Provides unrestricted access for future coronary interventions<sup>1</sup>

## Supra-annular leaflets

Porcine pericardium leaflet (BioFix anti-calcification)  
Achieves large EOAs and single-digit gradients<sup>2</sup>

## ACTIVE PVseal™

Extended (60% larger\*) sealing skirt conforms to the native aortic annulus minimizing PVL<sup>3</sup>



## Accurate positioning

Top-down deployment with upper- and lower- crown anchoring provides precise procedures<sup>2</sup>

## Annulus treatment range

Treats 20 mm to 27 mm annulus diameters

\* ACURATE neo2 Valve vs. ACURATE neo™ Valve

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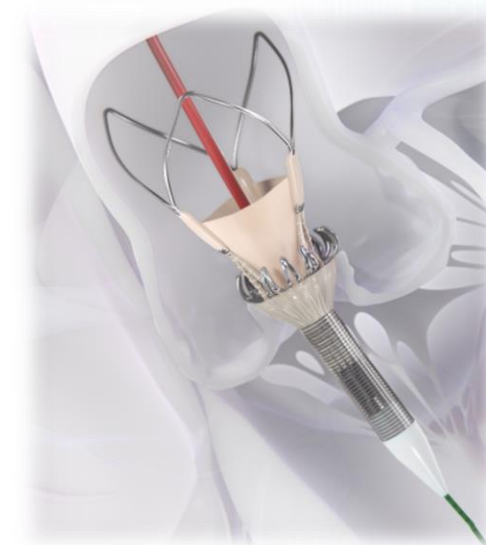


# Best-in-class PPI

## Lower patients' pacemaker risk

- Patients who receive PPI after TAVI experience higher mortality and rehospitalization risk<sup>1</sup>
- With top-down deployment and upper- and lower-crown anchoring, the ACURATE neo2™ Aortic Valve System minimizes LVOT protrusion

**6%**  
new permanent  
pacemaker rate\*<sup>2</sup>  
\*in hospital



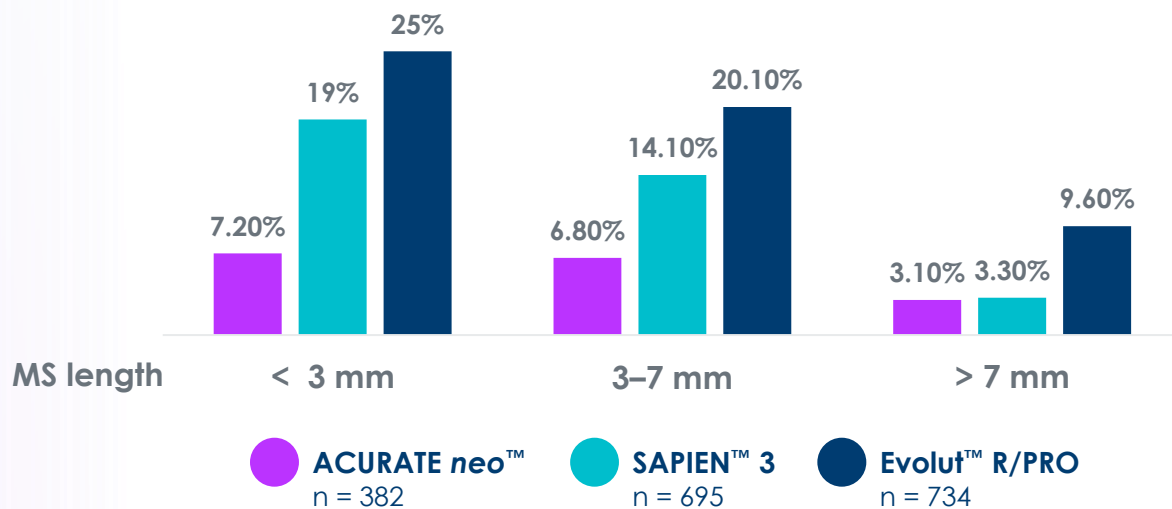
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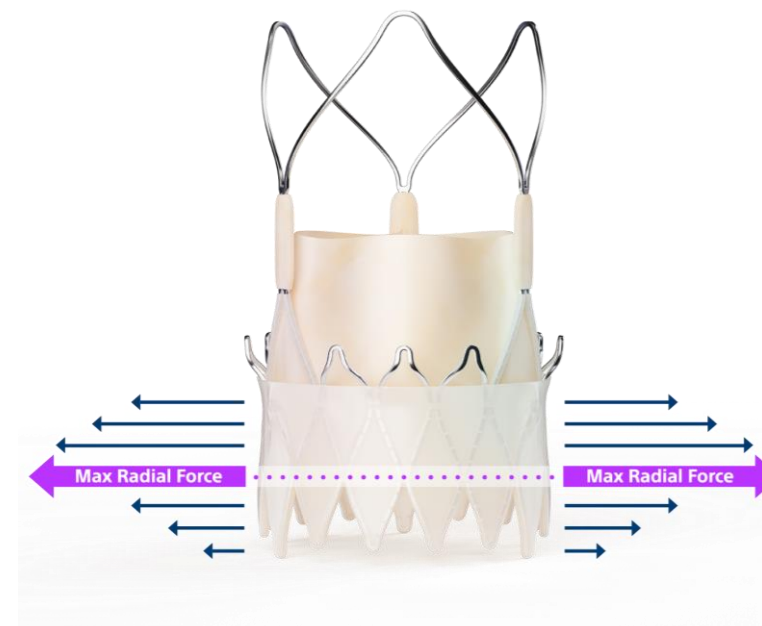
# Best-in-class PPI

ACURATE neo2™ Aortic Valve System demonstrates the lowest PPI rates for patients at the highest risk of conduction injury<sup>1</sup>

Post-TAVI pacemaker implantation rate by THV type and membranous-septum length (n = 1811)



Optimized radial outward force distribution minimizes conduction system injury<sup>1</sup>



**ACURATE neo2™**  
Aortic Valve System

1. Thijmen W. Hokken et al., The INTERSECT Registry 2022.



# Single-digit gradients

Supra-annular valve design maximizes leaflet opening for single-digit gradients and large EOAs<sup>1</sup>



Single-digit gradients<sup>2</sup>

**8.0** mmHg



Large EOAs<sup>1</sup>

**1.7** cm<sup>2</sup>



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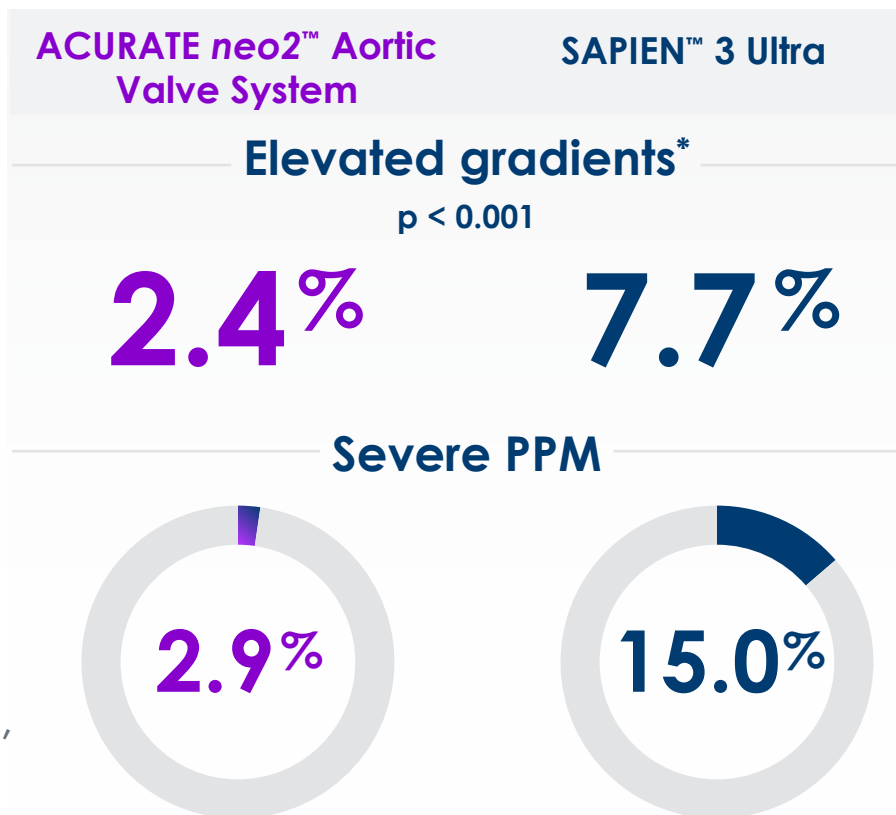
# Single-digit gradients



## Protect patients' futures<sup>1</sup>

- Severe PPM is associated with increased mortality post-TAVR<sup>2</sup>
- Minimize the risk of prosthesis-patient mismatch, even in patients with small annuli

Reduced rates of elevated gradients and severe PPM vs. SAPIEN™ 3 Ultra<sup>3</sup>



\*(>= 20mmHg)

1. Pibarot P, Dumesnil JG. Prosthesis-patient mismatch: Definition, clinical impact, and prevention. *Heart*. August 2006;92(8):1022-1029.

2. Mompeu M. Impact of Prosthesis-patient mismatch after TAVR: *JACC CI* Sep 16, 2022.

3. Pellegrini C. ACURATE neo2 versus SAPIEN 3 Ultra. *Interventions for valvular disease and heart failure*.

# ACURATE *neo2*<sup>TM</sup> vs SAPIEN 3 Ultra<sup>TM</sup> Head-to-Head Comparison



## ACURATE *neo2* Aortic Valve System

Porcine Pericardium, Supra Annular Leaflets

Self-Expanding (Top-down) Nitinol frame

CE marked 2020

Not FDA Approved, Investigational Device in the US



## SAPIEN 3 Ultra Transcatheter Heart Valve

Bovine Pericardium, Intra-annular Leaflets

Balloon-Expanding Cobalt-Chromium Frame

CE marked 2018

FDA Approved 2018





# Study Design

## 1st head-to-head comparison of ACURATE neo2 & SAPIEN 3 Ultra

**Objective: To compare VARC-3 device and technical success (Primary Endpoint) and 30-day VARC-3 clinical endpoints (Secondary Endpoint) of ACURATE neo2 to SAPIEN 3 Ultra**

### Head-to-Head Transfemoral TAVR

n = 1356 Patients | 4 German Centers | Procedures performed: March 2019 – December 2021

**ACURATE neo2**  
n=608

**SAPIEN 3 Ultra**  
n=748

#### 1:1 nearest neighbour matching

Age  
Female gender  
EuroScore I  
NYHA III/IV  
Coronary artery disease

Previous PCI  
Mean transvalvular gradient  
LVEF < 35%  
Bicuspid aortic valve

Mean annulus diameter  
Severe calcification  
Asymmetric calcification  
Indexed Effective Orifice Area (IEOA)

**ACURATE neo2**  
n=472

**SAPIEN 3 Ultra**  
n=472

CAUTION: In Europe, ACURATE neo and neo2 Aortic Valve Systems are CE-marked. In the USA, ACURATE neo2 is an investigational device and restricted under federal law to investigational use only. Not available for sale.



# Baseline Characteristics ACURATE neo2 & SAPIEN 3 Ultra

Boston  
Scientific

	Entire population			Matched population		
	ACURATE neo2 n=608	SAPIEN 3 Ultra n=748	p-value	ACURATE neo2 n=472	SAPIEN 3 Ultra n=472	p-value
Age, years	82.0 [78.7 – 85.0]	81.4 [77.1 – 85.0]	<b>0.032</b>	82.0 [78.7 – 85.0]	81.6 [77.6 – 85.1]	0.584
Female gender	289 (47.5)	398 (53.2)	<b>0.038</b>	239 (50.6)	246 (52.1)	0.696
Logistic EuroScore, %	14.4 [8.1 – 23.4]	12.3 [7.7 - 21.3]	<b>0.008</b>	13.8 [7.9 – 23.0]	12.5 [7.9 - 21.9]	0.184
NYHA III/IV	420 (69.1)	429 (57.4)	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	305 (64.6)	297 (62.9)	0.636
Coronary artery disease	376 (61.8)	558 (74.6)	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	340 (72.0)	336 (71.2)	0.829
Previous myocardial infarction	58 (9.5)	87 (11.6)	0.251	50 (10.6)	54 (11.4)	0.755
Previous stroke	77 (12.7)	94 (12.6)	0.999	57 (12.1)	55 (11.7)	0.920
COPD	74 (12.2)	86 (11.5)	0.735	57 (12.1)	56 (11.9)	0.999
Peripheral artery disease	84 (13.8)	130 (17.4)	0.085	61 (12.9)	81 (17.2)	0.083
eGFR, ml/min	65.0 [47.0 – 83.0]	64.0 [48.5 – 79.5]	0.684	65.0 [47.0 – 84.3]	62.0 [47.7 – 79.0]	0.198
Previous pacemaker	75 (12.3)	71 (9.5)	0.095	57 (12.1)	46 (9.7)	0.296
Atrial fibrillation	256 (42.1)	291 (38.9)	0.243	190 (40.3)	191 (40.5)	0.999
Right bundle-branch block	56 (9.2)	85 (11.4)	0.211	50 (10.6)	60 (12.7)	0.361
LVEF <35%	17 (2.8)	42 (5.6)	<b>0.011</b>	17 (3.6)	13 (2.8)	0.579
Mean gradient, mmHg	42.0 [31.3 – 50.0]	44.0 [37.0 – 54.0]	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	43.0 [34.0 – 52.0]	42.5 [34.8 – 51.0]	0.940
Bicuspid aortic valve	20 (3.3)	97 (13.0)	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	20 (4.2)	25 (5.3)	0.542
Severe aortic valve calcification	126/606 (20.8)	206/747 (27.6)	<b>0.004</b>	114 (24.3)	115 (24.4)	0.954
Asymmetric calcification	123 (20.2)	336 (44.9)	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	120 (25.4)	135 (28.6)	0.305
Mean annulus diameter, mm	23.7 [22.4, 25.1]	24.9 [23.4, 26.2]	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	23.8 [22.4, 25.2]	24.9 [23.4, 26.2]	<b>&lt;0.001</b>

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# Essential Outcomes

## ACURATE neo2 & SAPIEN 3 Ultra

Boston  
Scientific

	ACURATE neo2 n=608	SAPIEN 3 Ultra n=748	p-value	ACURATE neo2 n=472	SAPIEN 3 Ultra n=472	p-value
Pre-dilatation, n (%)	534 (87.8)	268 (35.8)	<0.001	434 (91.9)	148 (31.4)	<0.001
Post-dilatation, n (%)	250 (41.4)	111 (14.8)	<0.001	211 (44.7)	69 (14.6)	<0.001
Procedural time, min	44.0 [35.0 – 59.0]	46.0 [35.0 – 58.0]	0.867	45.0 [36.0 – 59.0]	46.0 [35.0 – 57.0]	0.472
Fluoroscopy time, min	9.4 [7.0 - 13.3]	10.2 [7.1 - 14.6]	<b>0.033</b>	9.8 [7.3 - 13.8]	10.2 [6.9 - 14.1]	0.974
Technical success (VARC-3)	575 (94.6)	714 (95.5)	0.529	448 (94.9)	450 (95.3)	0.880
<b>Device success (VARC-3)</b>	557 (91.6)	626 (83.7)	<0.001	434 (91.9)	401 (85.0)	<b>0.001</b>
Contrast agent, ml	40.0 [20.0, 116.0]	115.0 [36.0, 160.0]	<0.001	40.0 [22.0, 130.0]	117.5 [37.8, 160.0]	<0.001
Pre-discharge moderate/severe PVL n (%)*	4 (0.7)	6 (0.8)	1.000	3 (0.6)	5 (1.1)	0.723
<b>Pre-discharge Mean gradient ≥ 20mmHg, n (%)</b>	11 (1.8)	69 (9.3)	<0.001	11 (2.4)	36 (7.7)	<0.001
<b>Indexed effective orifine area (cm<sup>2</sup>)**</b>	0.9 [0.8, 1.1] (n=453)	0.8 [0.7, 0.9] (n=261)	<0.001	0.9 [0.8, 1.1] (n=342)	0.8 [0.7, 0.9] (n=167)	<0.001
<b>Severe PPM, n (%)**</b>	10/453 (2.2)	39/261 (14.9)	<0.001	10/342 (2.9)	25/167 (15.0)	<0.001
Major vascular complication (VARC-3)	39 (6.4)	66 (8.8)	0.122	29 (6.1)	45 (9.5)	0.069
Coronary obstruction requiring PCI	1 (0.2)	3 (0.4)	0.768	1 (0.2)	2 (0.4)	0.999
Annular rupture, n (%)	1 (0.2)	2 (0.3)	1.000	1(0.2)	0 (0)	0.999
Acute kidney injury St 2-4, n (%)	18 (3.0)	23 (3.1)	0.999	15 (3.2)	15 (3.2)	0.999
<b>30-day All-stroke**</b>	18/598 (3.0)	23/734 (3.1)	0.999	16/464 (3.4)	11/465 (2.4)	0.435
<b>30-day Pacemaker implantation, n (%)**</b>	40/522 (7.7)	70/664 (10.5)	0.090	33/406 (8.1)	43/419 (10.3)	0.289
<b>30-day mortality, n (%)**</b>	11/598 (1.8)	18/734 (2.5)	0.566	8/464 (1.7)	11/465 (2.4)	0.646

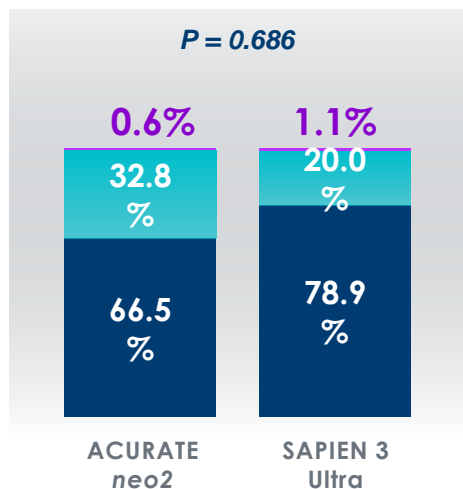
\* Pre-discharge echocardiogram assessed. 10/1356 assessed by angio \*\* Data not available for full population. Sample sizes as indicated.

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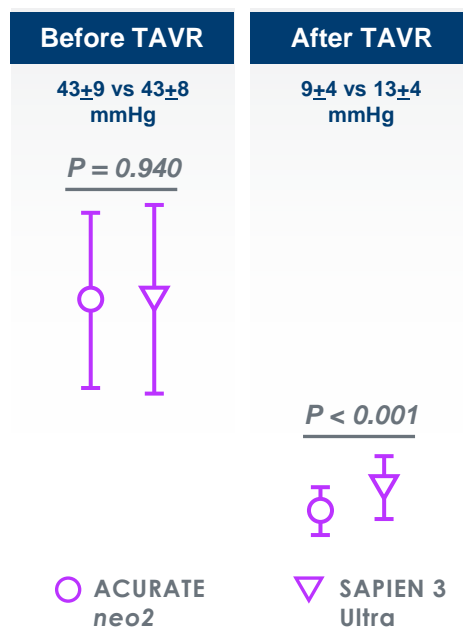
# Essential Matched Cohort Outcomes ACURATE neo2 & SAPIEN 3 Ultra

## Similar and low Rates of PVL

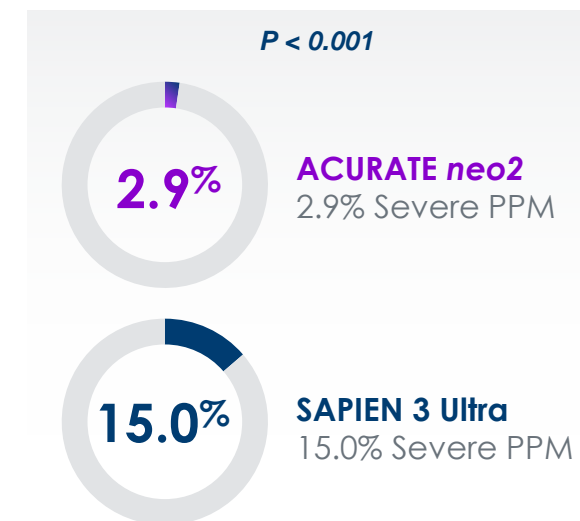


● None ● Mild ● Moderate or Severe

## Lower Mean Gradients



## Lower Severe Prosthesis-Patient Mismatch



**0.6%**  
**Moderate to Severe PVL**  
vs. 1.1% with SAPIEN 3 Ultra  
*p* = 0.723

**2.4%**  
**Elevated Gradients\***  
vs. 7.7% with SAPIEN 3 Ultra  
*p* < 0.001

\* (≥ 20mmHg)

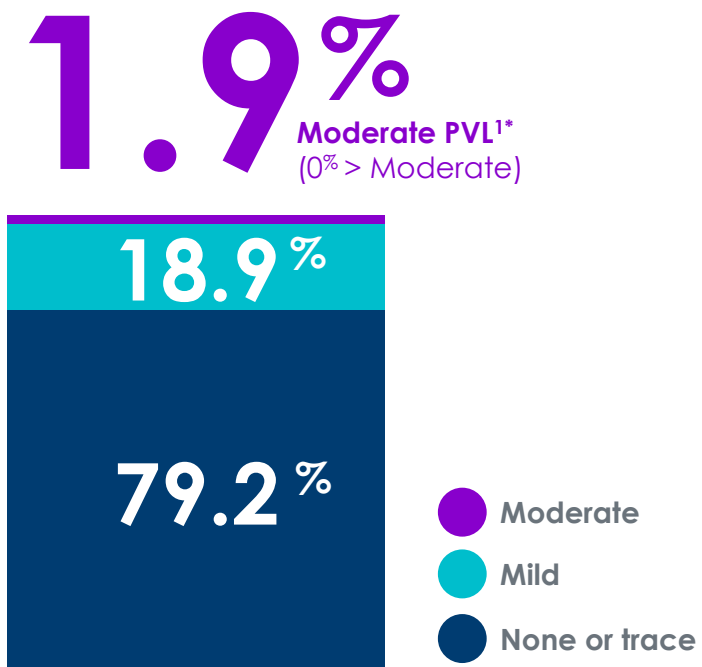
**91.9%**  
**Device success**  
vs. 85.0% with SAPIEN 3 Ultra  
*p* = 0.001

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# Advanced PVL performance

Protect against PVL with the ACURATE neo2™ Aortic Valve System's advanced sealing skirt.



Inner and outer ACTIVE PVseal™ extends the full waist of the ACURATE neo2 Valve, maximizing sealing efficacy

\* At 30-days, Echocardiographic and CT imaging Independently core lab adjudicated

1. Kim W., et al; Clinical outcomes of the ACURATE neo2 transcatheter heart valve: a prospective, multicenter, observational, post-market surveillance study, EuroIntervention 2022. DOI: 10.4244/EIJ-D-22-00914



# Unrestricted coronary access

Lower-risk TAVI requires preserved future access.<sup>1</sup> STEMI following TAVI resulted in<sup>2</sup>:

- 4x higher PCI failure rate
- 33% increased mortality rate

**100%**

**ACURATE neo™  
Valve platform**

100% successful  
coronary  
cannulation  
n = 72

**82%**

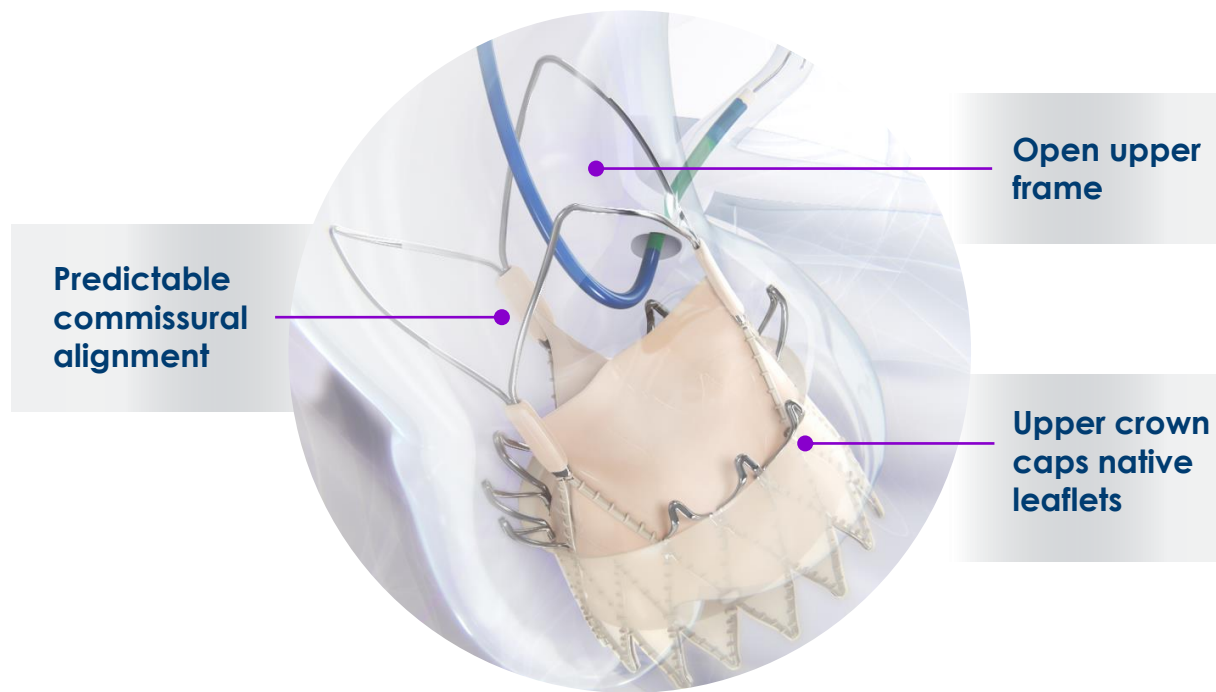
**Evolu™ R/PRO**

82% successful  
coronary  
cannulation  
n = 123

**99%**

**SAPIEN™**

99% successful  
coronary  
cannulation  
n = 96



**The ACURATE neo2 design is associated with favorable post-TAVI coronary access<sup>1</sup>**

1. Reobtain Coronary Ostia Cannulation Beyond Transcatheter Aortic Valve Stent (RE-ACCESS); NCT04026204. J Am Coll Cardiol Intv. 2020.  
2. Faroux L, et al. ST-Segment Elevation Myocardial Infarction Following Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement. "https://www.jacc.org/journal/jacc" J Am. Coll. Cardiol. 2021 May, 77 (17) 2187 -2199.



# Smooth deliverability

## Low-profile, highly flexible catheter

### Atraumatic nosecone

Optimized nosecone taper and guidewire transition for smooth atraumatic tracking

### 360° flexibility

Spineless delivery system for enhanced flexibility



**14F iSLEEVE  
compatible for all sizes**

### Intuitive handle design

Two-step implantation

### Extended stability layer

Stable, predictable valve deployment



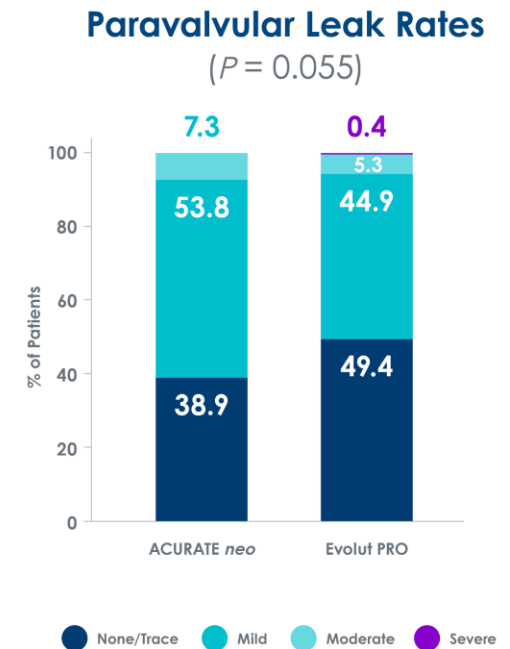
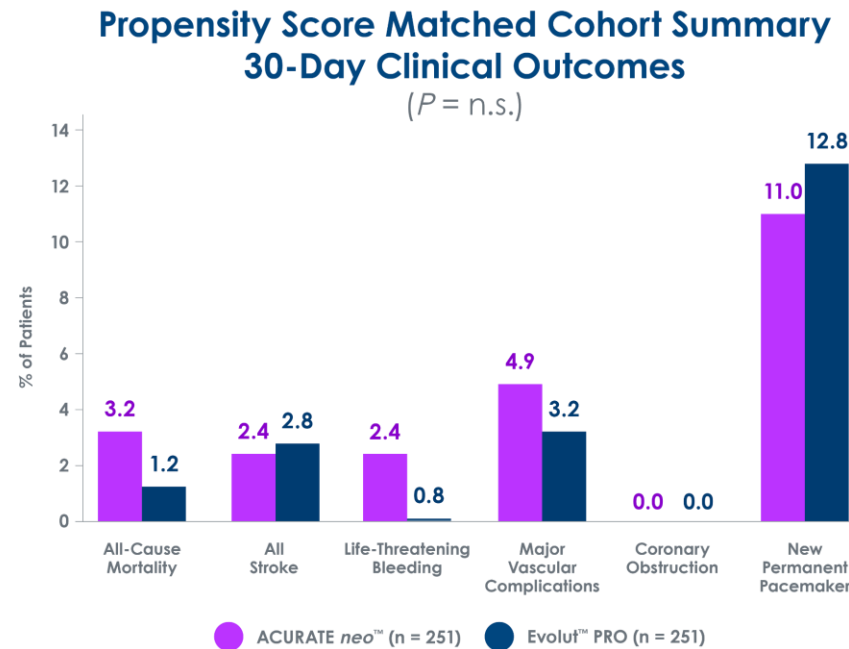
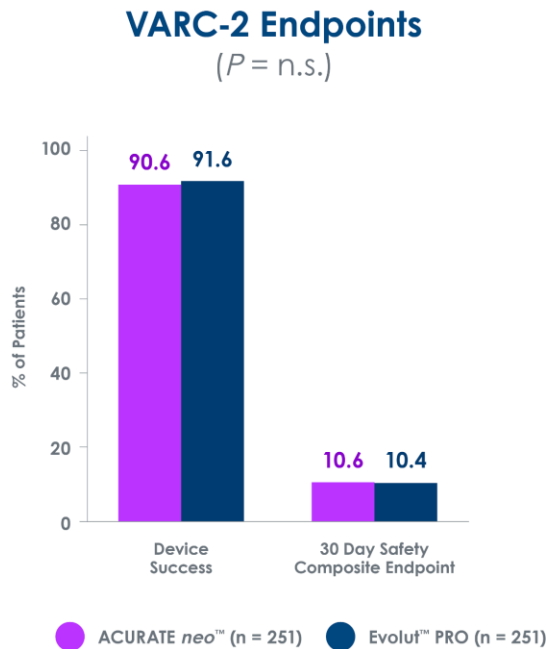
# NEOPRO Multicenter Comparison Registry<sup>1</sup>

## Outcomes of two next-generation self-expanding TAVI valves in real-world patients

**STUDY DESIGN:** 1:1 propensity score matched multicenter comparison of ACURATE neo (n = 251) and Evolut™ PRO (n = 251) from 24 international centers

### ACURATE neo demonstrated in PS-matched cohort

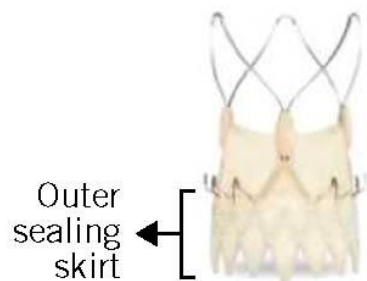
- Comparable VARC-2 device success and 30-day clinical outcomes
- Similar PVL rates with no PVL greater than moderate in ACURATE neo group



1. Pagnesi M, et al. Transcatheter aortic valve replacement with next-generation self-expanding devices: A multicenter, retrospective, propensity-matched comparison of Evolut PRO versus ACURATE neo transcatheter heart valves. *JACC: Cardiovascular Interventions*. Mar 2019, 12(5)433-443; doi:10.1016/j.jcin.2018.11.036.

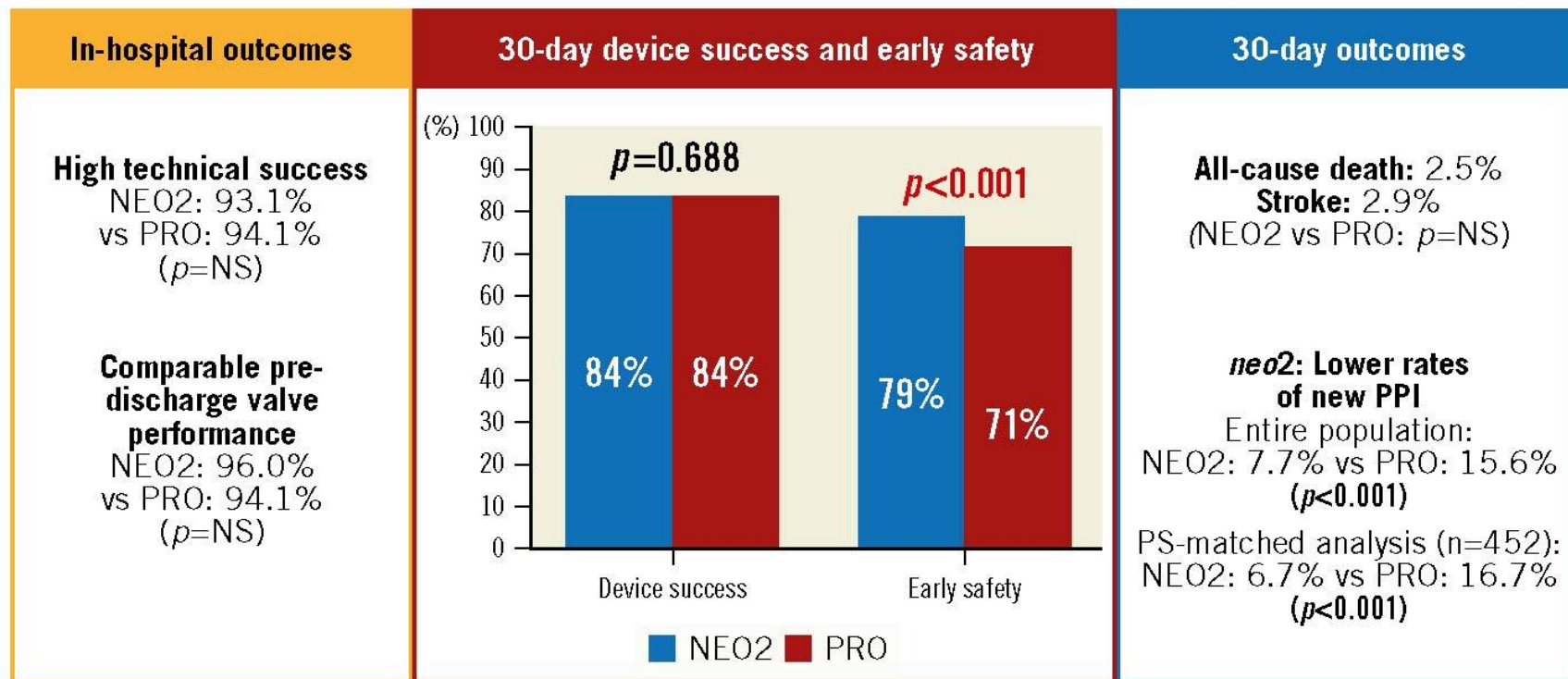
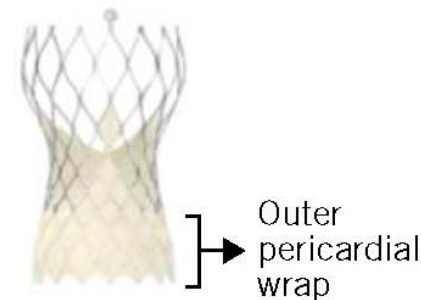


# Comparison of Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement with the ACURATE neo2 vs Evolut PRO/PRO+ devices



TAVR with  
ACURATE *neo2* vs Evolut PRO/PRO+  
Insights from the *NEOPRO-2* registry

N=2,175  
20 centres  
VARC-3-defined outcomes



# Case of TAVR

91 y/o Female

1. Very severe AS with moderate AR (AV area  $0.58\text{cm}^2$ )
2. Chronic AF, type 2 DM, HTN



transaortic PG 139/72 mmHg, AV Vmax 6.0 m/s

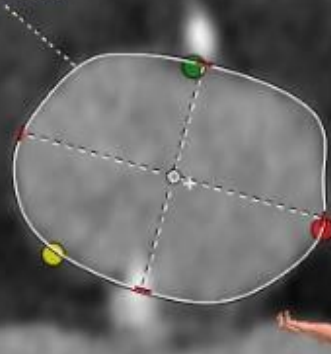
aortic valve area  $0.58\text{ cm}^2$

severe LV systolic dysfunction (EF 25 %),  
borderline LV dilatation (56/53 mm) with moderate AR

# CT of Severe AS

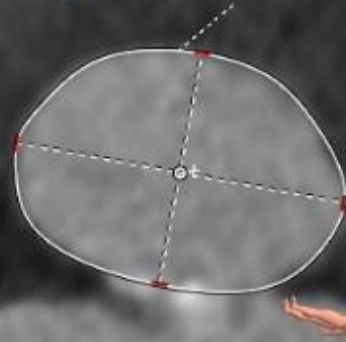
Annulus

Min. Ø: 18.3 mm  
 Max. Ø: 24.5 mm  
 Avg. Ø: 21.4 mm  
 Perimeter derived Ø: 22.2 mm  
 Perimeter: 69.8 mm



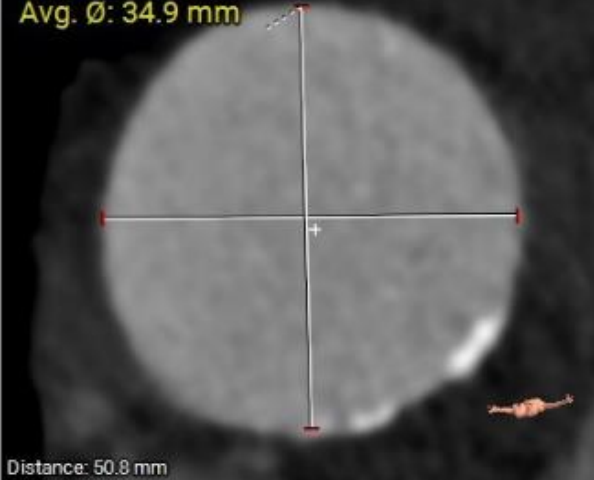
LVOT at -4mm

Min. Ø: 18.4 mm  
 Max. Ø: 26.0 mm  
 Avg. Ø: 22.2 mm  
 Perimeter derived Ø: 22.5 mm  
 Perimeter: 70.8 mm



Ascending Aorta

Min. Ø: 34.5 mm  
 Max. Ø: 35.2 mm  
 Avg. Ø: 34.9 mm



Implant View

Aortic Annulus Angle  
 64°

LAO: 12° Caudal: 10°



SOV at widest position

Sinus of Valsalva Right  
 Ø 26.1 mm

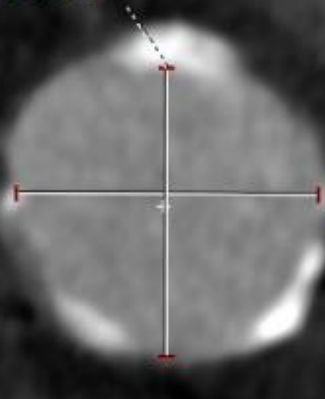


Sinus of Valsalva Non Sinus of Valsalva Left  
 Ø 28.3 mm Ø 27.8 mm

Distance: 8.7 mm

Sinotubular Junction

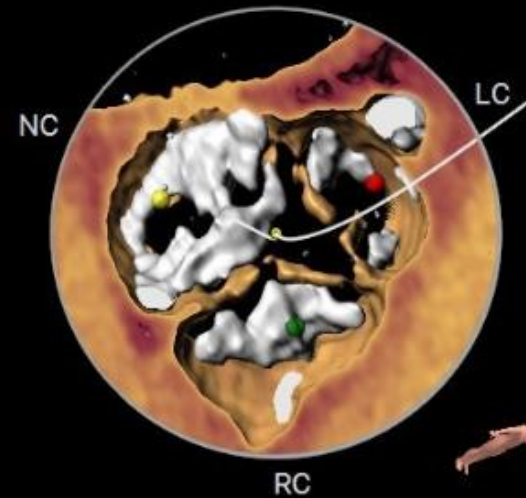
Min. Ø: 22.5 mm  
 Max. Ø: 23.5 mm  
 Avg. Ø: 23.0 mm



Distance: 17.9 mm

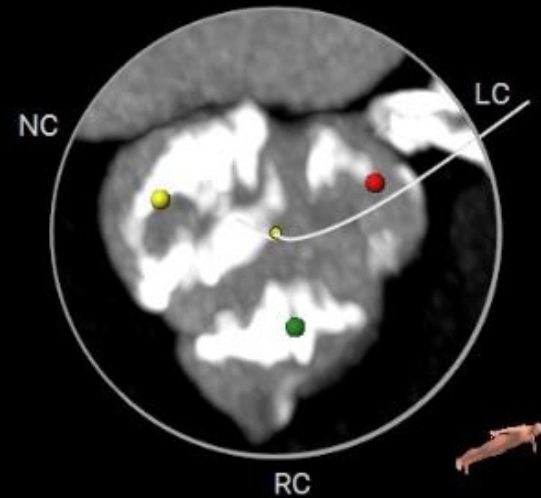
Calcification

RAO: 67°  
 Cranial: 24°



Hockey Puck (MIP)

RAO: 67°  
 Cranial: 24°



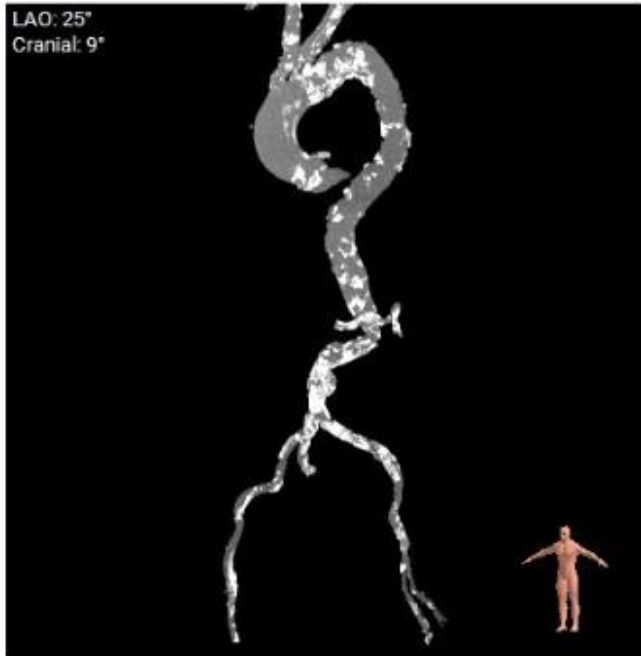
### Aorto Ilio Femoral tract

LAO: 25°  
Cranial: 9°



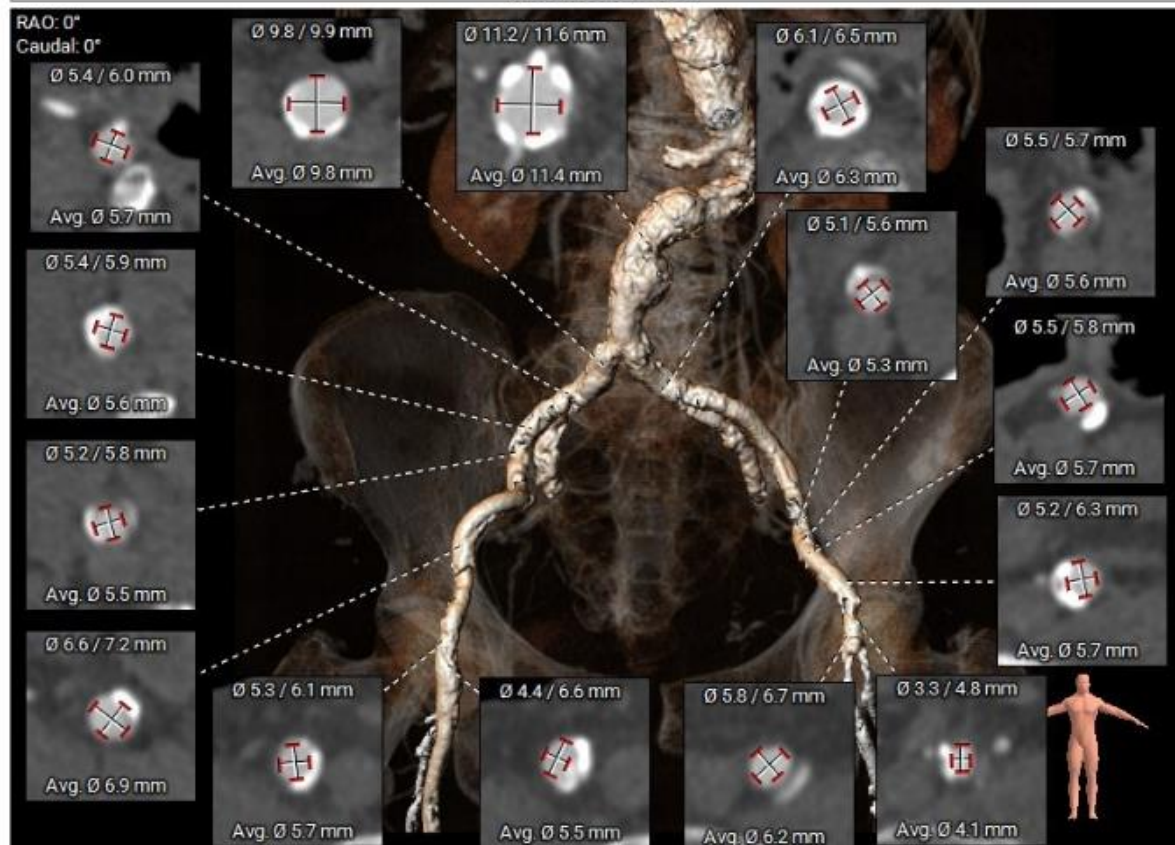
### Calcifications

LAO: 25°  
Cranial: 9°



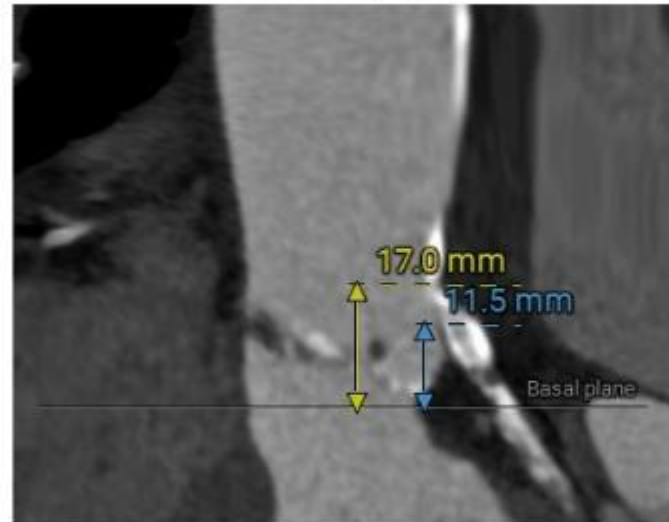
### Aorto Ilio Femoral tract

RAO: 0°  
Caudal: 0°

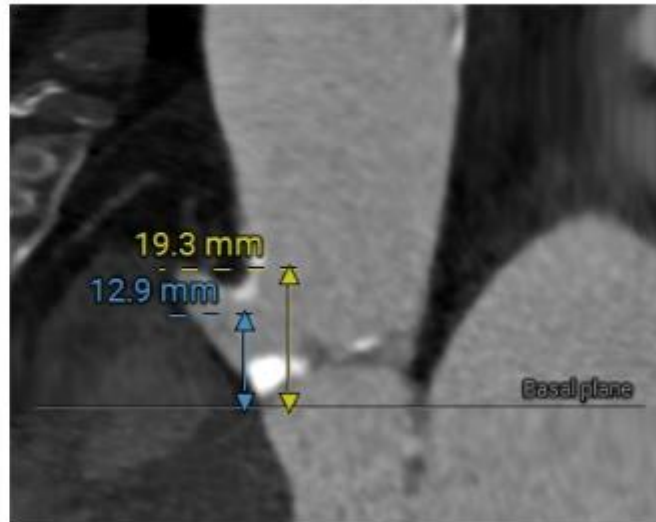


# CT of Severe AS

LCA base & STJ height



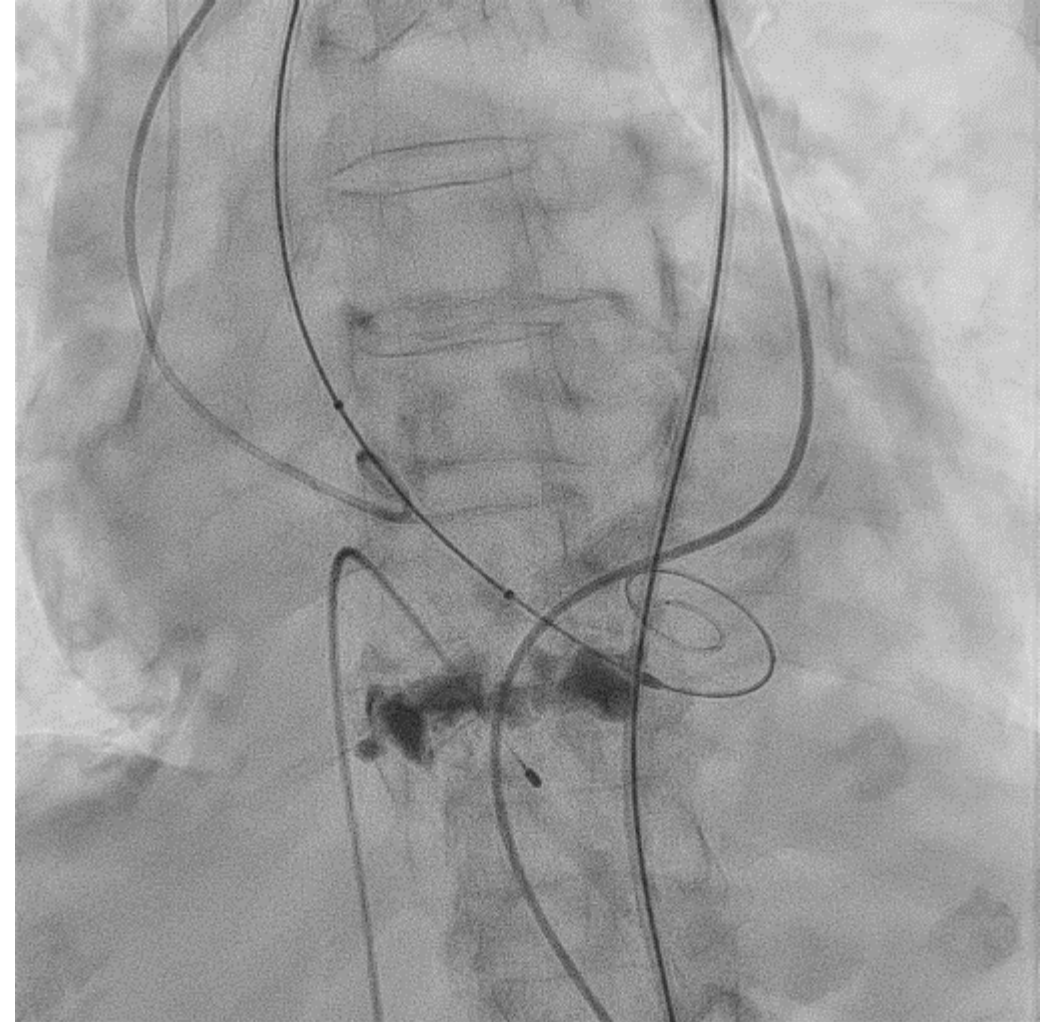
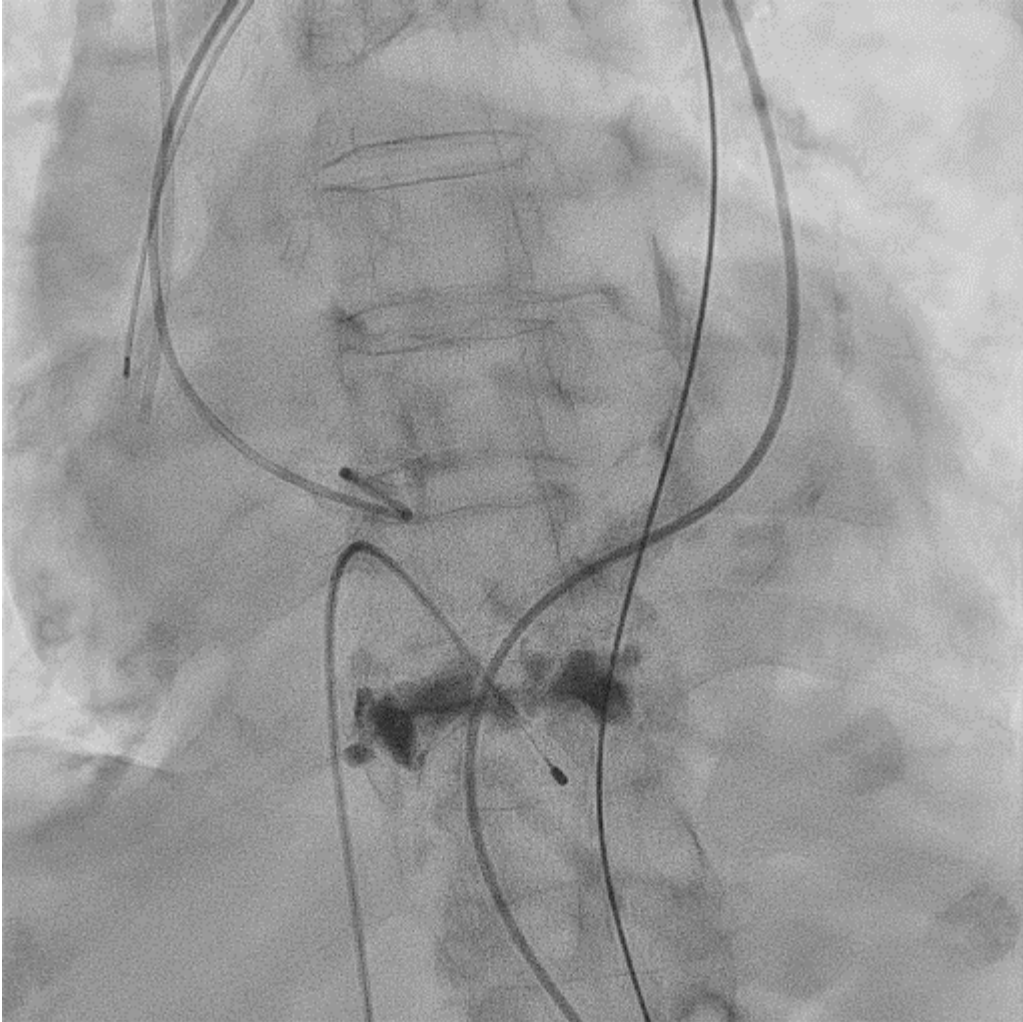
RCA base & STJ height



Annulus Perimeter : 69.8mm (ACURATE neo2 23mm)  
 Perimeter derived diameter = 22.2mm  
 LVOT Perimeter : 70.8mm (LVOT Diameter : 22.5mm)  
 SOV : 30.8mm, STJ : 23.0mm  
 Coronary height : Lt. = 11.5mm, Rt. = 12.9mm  
 3 Cusp view : LAO 12° CAU 10°  
 Ascending aorta : 35.2mm  
 Aorta angulation : 64°

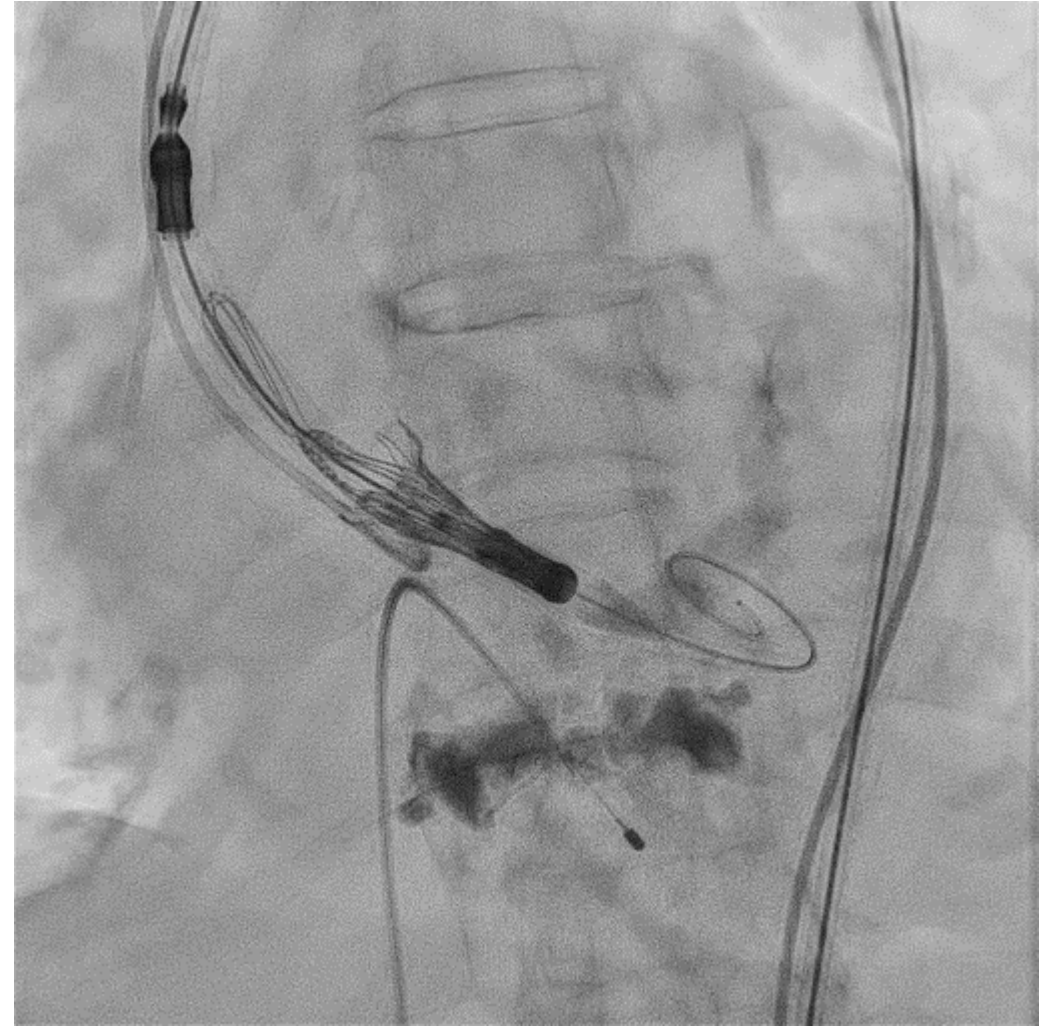
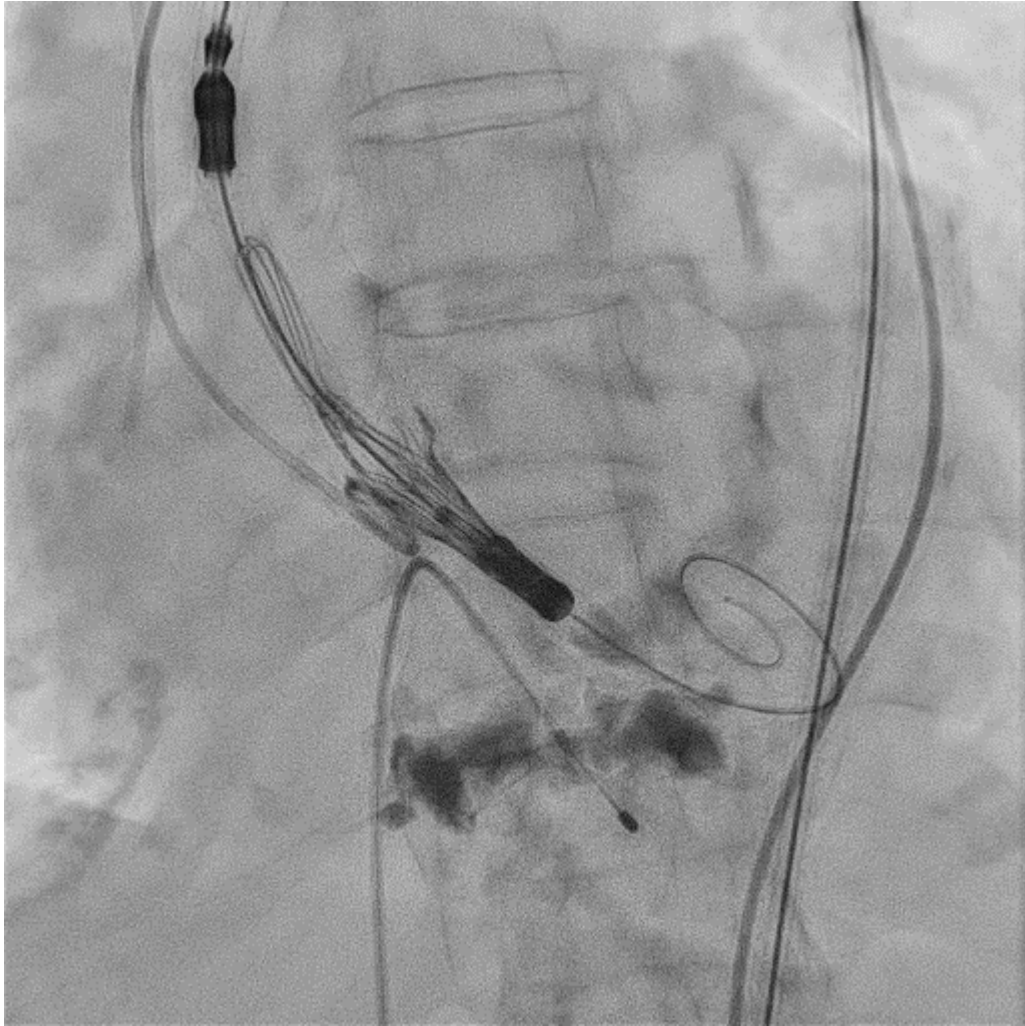
Valve Size	S – 23 mm	M – 25 mm	L – 27 mm
Aortic annulus diameter*	21 mm ≤ annulus ≤ 23 mm	23 mm < annulus ≤ 25 mm	25 mm < annulus ≤ 27 mm
Aortic annulus perimeter	66 mm ≤ annulus ≤ 72 mm	72 mm < annulus ≤ 79 mm	79 mm < annulus ≤ 85 mm

# ACURATE neo2 23mm



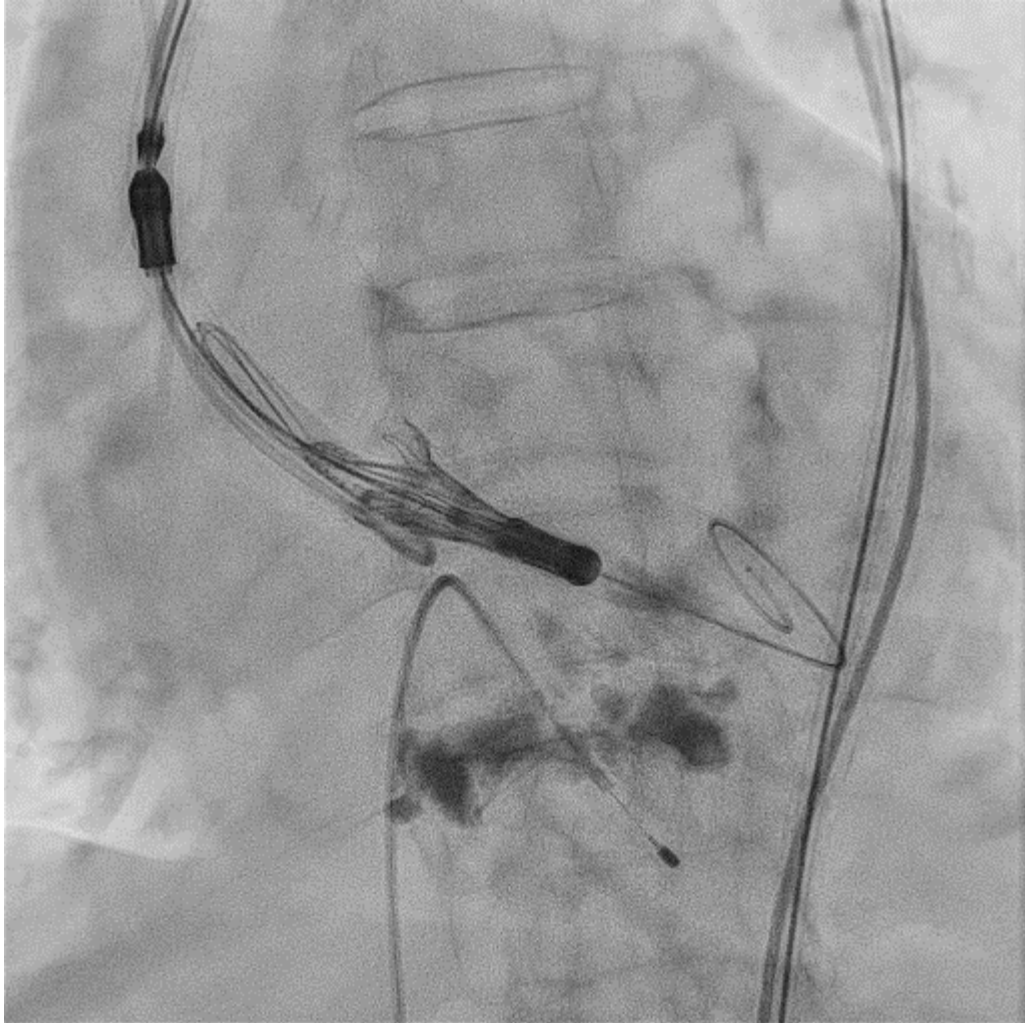
22(21)mm Atlas Gold balloon

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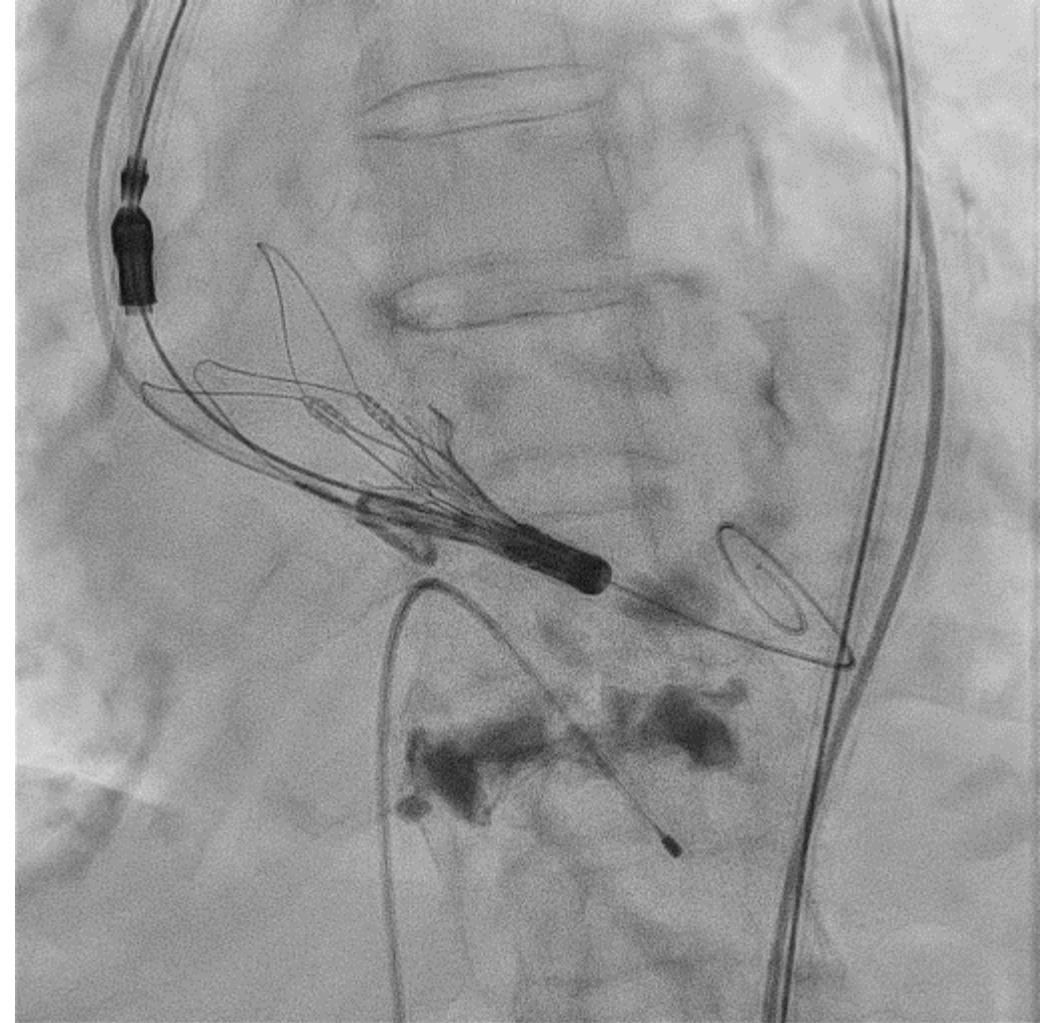


Upward movement

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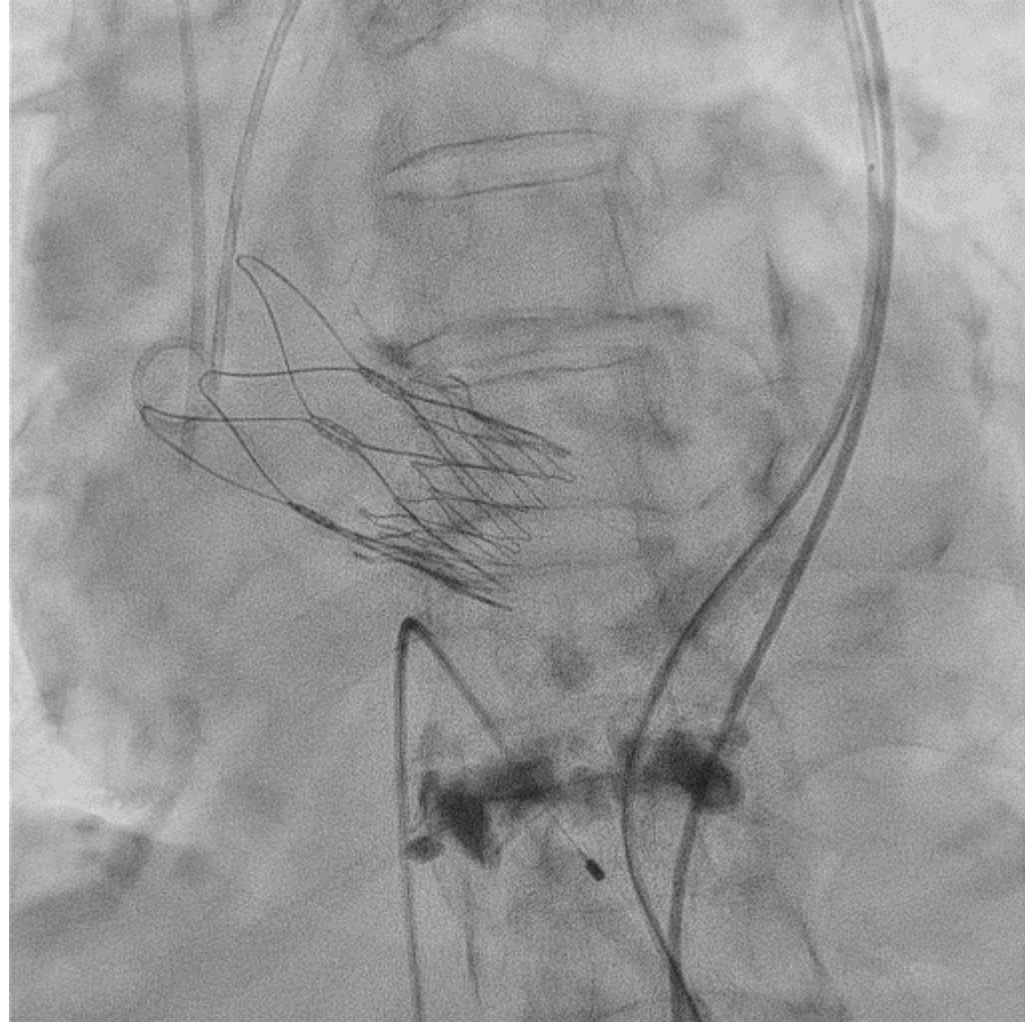
Push



Step2



# ACURATE neo2 23mm



# Conclusions

1. Lowest PPI rate Yes
2. Single digit gradients and Large EOAs Yes
3. Upgraded active PVseal technique to decrease PVL Yes  
(60% larger sealing skirt compared to previous generation)
4. Unrestricted coronary access Yes
5. Smooth deliverability even in severe angulated horizontal aorta