



A Tip for Direct Aortic Approach in TAVI with CoreValve®

An Useful Tool: A Rigid Table Mount System

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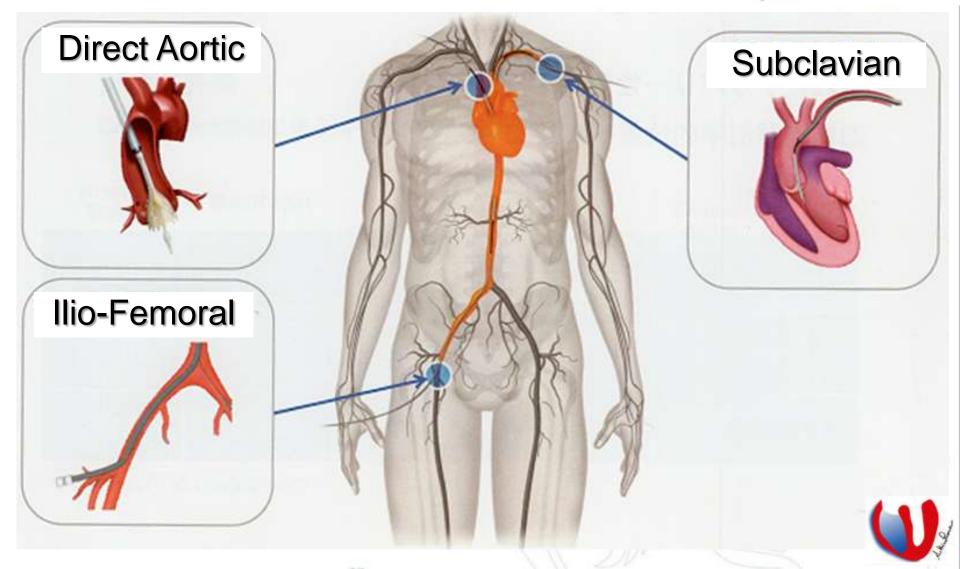
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Introduction

Alternative Access Sites for CoreValve® Implantation





Case

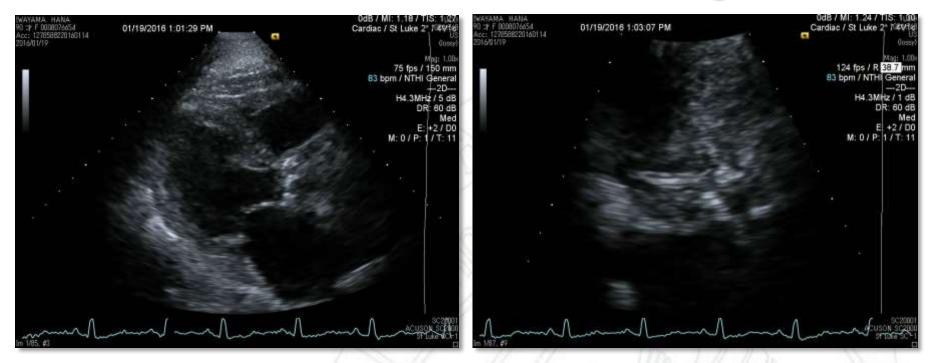
- An 90 year-old, female.
- She had suffered from severe aortic stenosis revealed when she was hospitalized due to heart failure and bronchopneumonia in March, 2014. Ten months later, she had syncope due to severe AS and then underwent emergent balloon aortic valvuloplasty.

In January, 2016, we planned to perform TAVI.

- Comorbidities: Hx of PCI in LAD, Hypertension, Type 2 diabetes, Transient atrial fibrillation, Post total mastectomy (right)
- STS score 7.3 %
- Frailty: CSHA clinical frailty scale 5



Transthoracic Echocardiograms



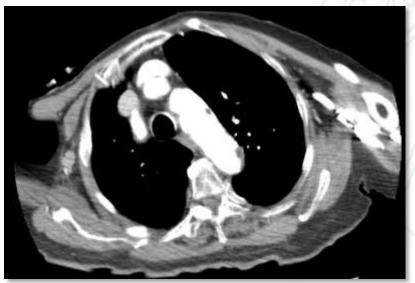
- Aortic valve area
 Mean pressure gradient
- Peak Velocity at AV

0.8 cm² 40 mmHg 4.2 m/sec



"Shaggy" Aorta









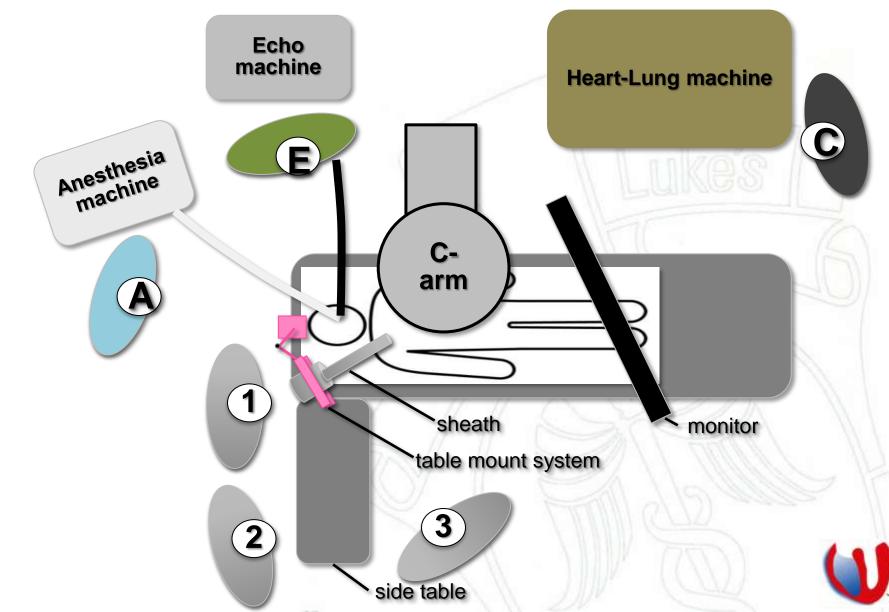


System of CoreValve[®] Implantation

- Direct aortic approach with partial upper sternotomy down to 2nd right intercostal space.
- Select 29 mm CoreValve[®] due to 78.0 mm in perimeter of aortic basal plane.
- Sheath: GORE[®] 18Fr DrySeal with hydrophilic coating.
- Guidewire: Boston Scientific Amplatz Super StiffTM
- A rigid table mount instrument holder (Atrial Lift System Table Mount (Rigid), by AtriCure (Estech[®]))⁻

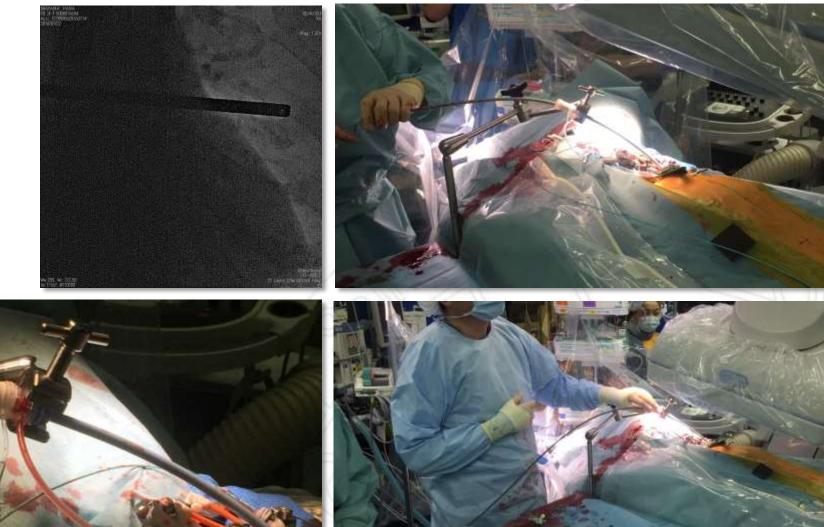


Diagram of Hybrid OR Settings



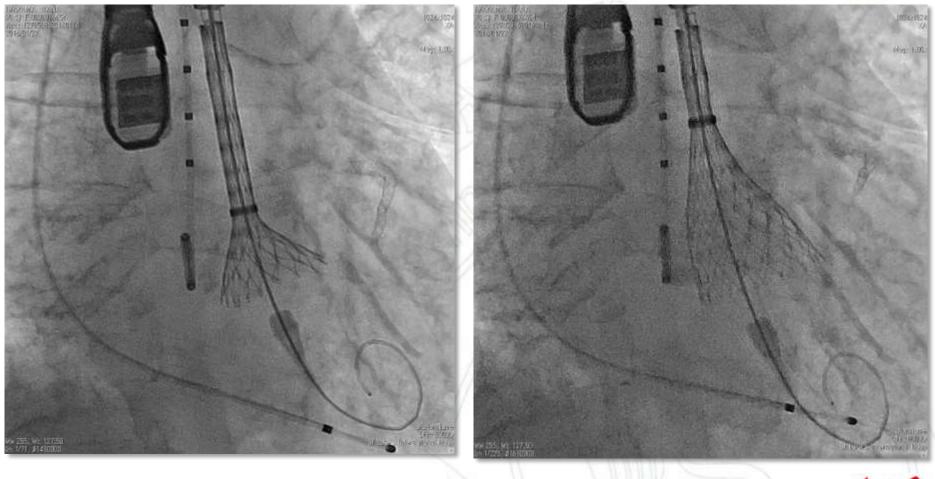


Inserted Sheath Holded by the Arm





Implantation of CoreValve®

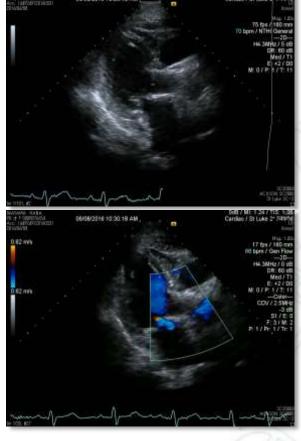






Transthoracic Echocardiograms





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- Aortic valve area
- Mean pressure gradient
- Peak Velocity at AV

2.1 cm² 4.6 mmHg 1.6 m/sec



Merits in Using a Rigid Table Mount Holder

- The 3rd person is not needed to hold a sheath and that can result in avoiding unnecessary exposure of radiation and keeping enough room around head of patient.
- The rigid holder can firmly keep a sheath during procedure of CoreValve[®] implantation, so operators can more concentrate to control position of the valve.