# **Pathology of TAVR and Mitral devices**

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# Pathology of TAVR

## **Surgically Implanted Bioprosthetic Valve: Summary**

<u>Disadvantages</u>: Limited durability beyond 10 years especially in younger patients: cusp degeneration or tears, Ca<sup>++</sup>, pannus formation and endocarditis (1–4% of patients during the 1st year, and in approximately 1% per year thereafter.)

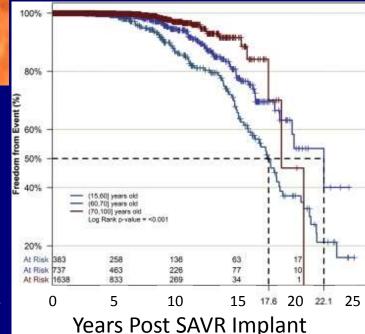
**Infective endocarditis** 

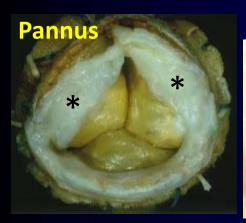
Tears

Calcification



### Freedom from Event (Severe AS/AR or Redo)



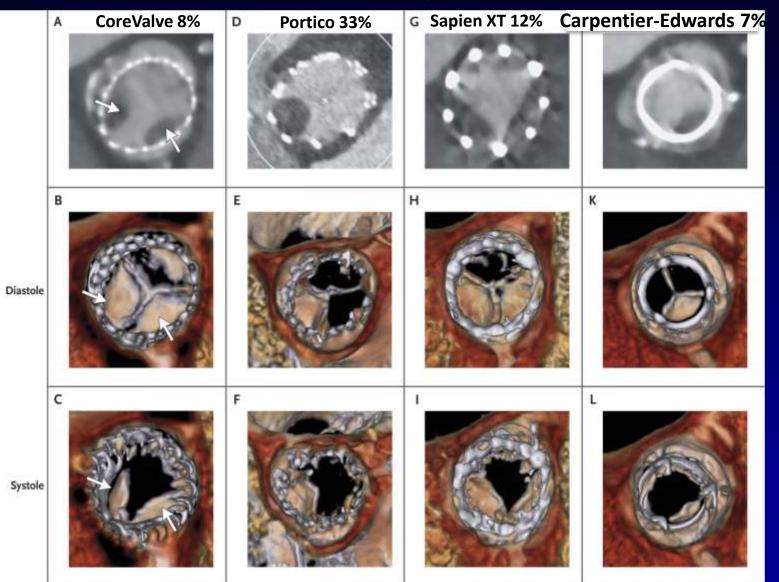


### Thrombus



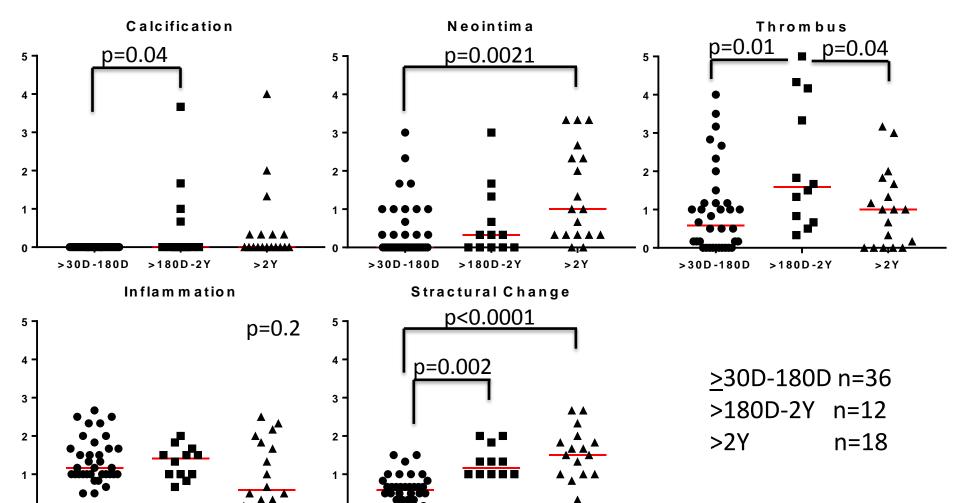
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### Evidence of Reduced Leaflet Motion in Multiple Prosthesis Types.

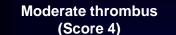


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	Medtronic and Edwards TAVR valve	<u>&gt;</u> 30 days, n=78
<b>Histologic changes of leaflets</b>	Age, years (Median [IQR; range])	81 (76-88)
	Male sex	65%
from TAVR valves	Following TAVR, days (Median [IQR; range])	252 (67-850 [30-1825])
by duration of implant	Medtronic / Edwards	61 (73%) / 22 (27%)
by defation of implant	CoreValve / Evolut R / Sapien / Sapien XT / Sapien 3	60 / 1 / 13 / 6 / 3
	IE, % (n) *excluded from the analysis	15% (12)

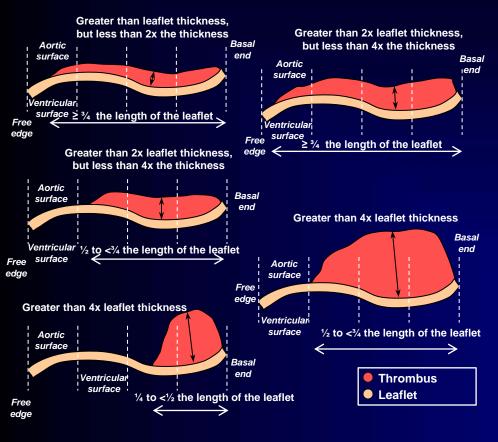


## **Assessment of Valve Thrombus on Pathology**



Severe thrombus

(Score 5)



	< ¼ the length of the leaflet	¼ to <½ the length of the leaflet	½ to <¾ the length of the leaflet	≥³⁄₄ the length of the leaflet
Absent	0	0	0	0
Less than leaflet thickness	0	1	2	3
Greater than leaflet thickness, but less than 2x the thickness	1	2	3	4
Greater than 2x leaflet thickness, but less than 4x the thickness	2	3	4	5
Greater than 4x the thickness	3	4	5	5

Score 4



Yahagi K, et al. Catheter Cardiovasc Interv. 2017 Sep 12.

≤30 days

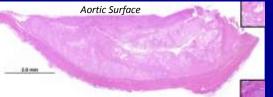
Score 0

Aortic Surface

2.2 mm

#### ≥3 years

Score 5

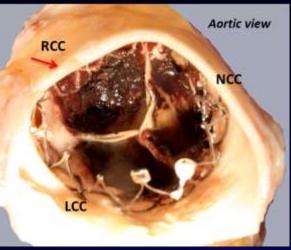


31 days – 1 year

## Transcatheter aortic valve failure: Severe Thrombosis (5%)

## CoreValve: 15 days

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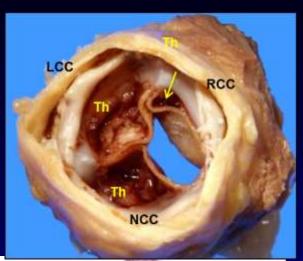


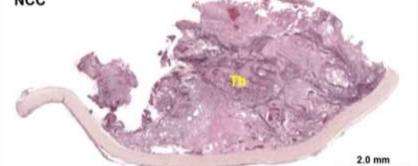
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## SAPIEN: 495 days

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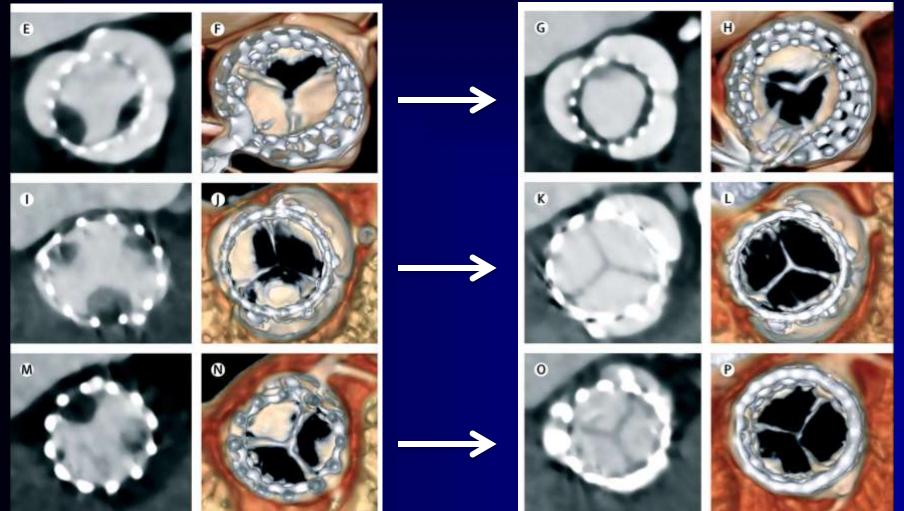




	Overall N=66	Cases with Severe thrombus N=12 (18%)	Cases without Severe thrombus N=54 (82%)	P value
Age	81 (76-88)	85 (76-89)	81 (76-88)	0.7
Sex (male), %	65%	50%	67%	0.3
Duration, days	252 (67-850)	257 (86-857)	104 (54-776)	0.3

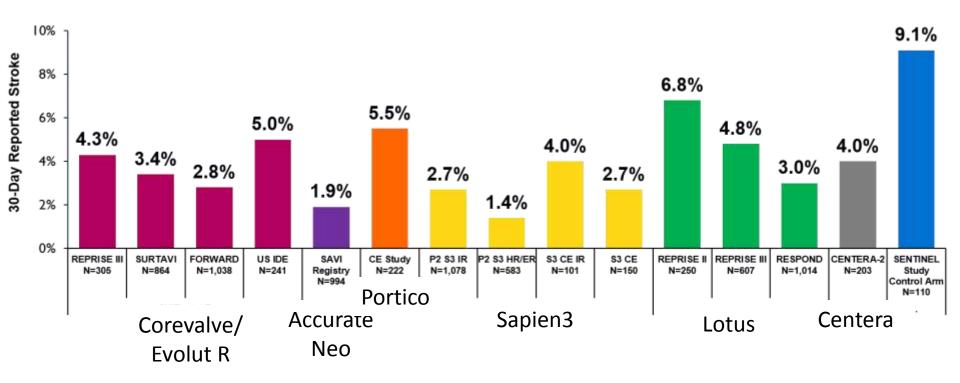
# Oral anticoagulation therapy (OAC), but not DAPT, was effective in prevention or treatment of subclinical leaflet thrombosis.

Reduced leaflet motion in a patient receiving DAPT after TAVR Resolution of reduced leaflet motion following 3 months of OAC



## **TAVR Stroke Rates with Contemporary Devices**

- Stroke remains an issue (~4.4% average rate) in contemporary TAVR studies.
- TAVR device trials tend to emphasize only the major/disabling stroke rates.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Feldman, et al., EuroPCR 2017; <sup>2</sup>Manoharan, et al., *J Am Coll Cardiol Intv* 2015; 8: 1359-67; <sup>3</sup>Moellman, et al., PCR London Valves 2015; <sup>4</sup>Grube, et al., EuroPCR 2017; <sup>5</sup>Kodali, et al., *Eur Heart J* 2016; <sup>6</sup>Vahanian, et al., EuroPCR 2015; <sup>7</sup>Webb, et. al. *J Am Coll Cardiol Intv* 2015; 8: 1797-806; <sup>8</sup>DeMarco, et al, TCT 2015; <sup>9</sup>Meredith, et al., PCR London Valves 2015; <sup>10</sup>Falk, et al. Eur Heart J 2017; <sup>11</sup>Kodali, TCT 2016; <sup>12</sup>Reardon, M *NEJM* 2017; <sup>13</sup>Reichenspurner H, et al., *JACC* 2017; <sup>14</sup>Popma et al, JACC:CVInt 2017;10(3):268-75

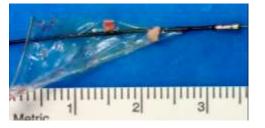
## Sources of Debris During TAVR



ASCENDING ARCH Arterial wall, calcific and atherosclerotic material



STENOTIC VALVE Leaflet tissue and calcific deposits





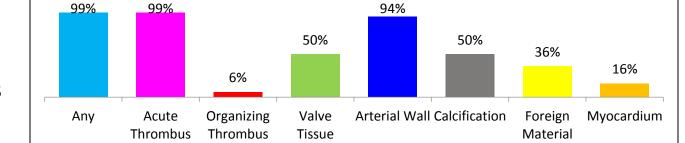
TRANSVERSE ARCH Arterial wall, calcific and atherosclerotic material

> TAVI DEVICES Foreign material

NATIVE HEART Myocardium





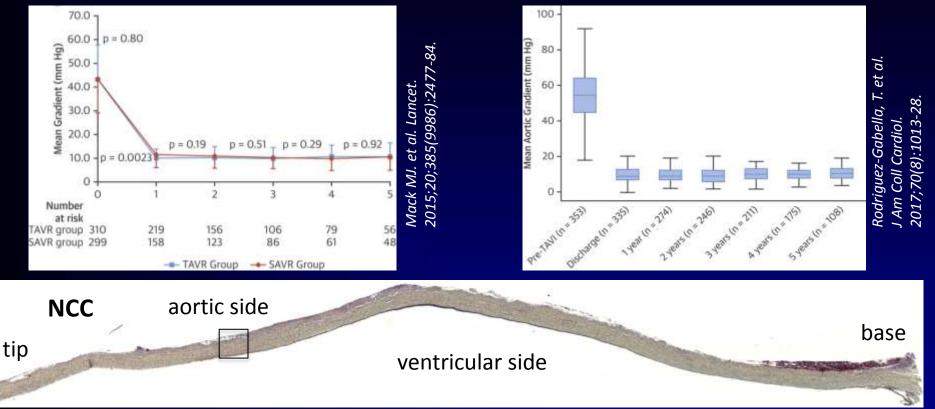


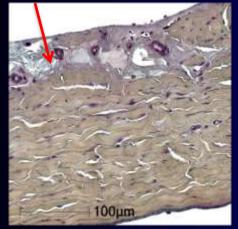
## Patients with captured debris

## **Transcatheter Valve Durability**

### PARTNER 5-year Echocardiographic performance (SAPIEN)

### CoreValve 5-year Follow-up (registry)





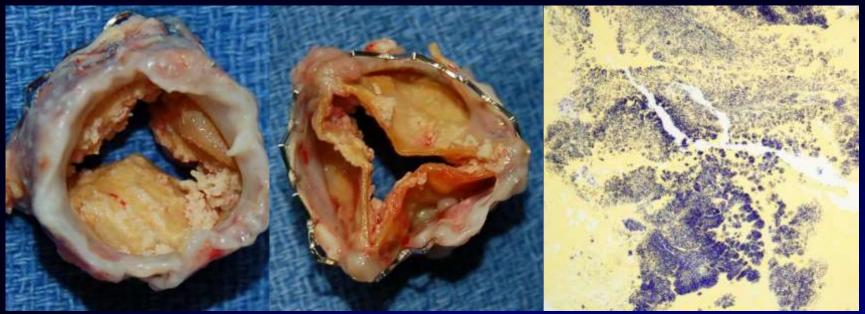
### A case with mild structural changes

89 y.o. female, with a history of AS, DM, HLP, HTN, and CHF Died due to congestive heart failure, **1477**days (**4** years) after TAVR implantation

# Transcatheter aortic valve failure: CalcificationCoreValve: 5 yearsEdwards SAPIEN: 5 years

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	Overall N=66	Cases with Leaflet calcification N=11 (17%)	Cases without Leaflet calcification N=55 (83%)	P value
Age	81 (76-88)	84 (77-89)	81 (74-88)	0.4
Sex (male), %	65%	54%	65%	0.5
Duration, days	252 (67-850)	877 (517-1470)	93 (49-499)	0.0002

## **Bioprosthetic valve failure: Endocarditis**



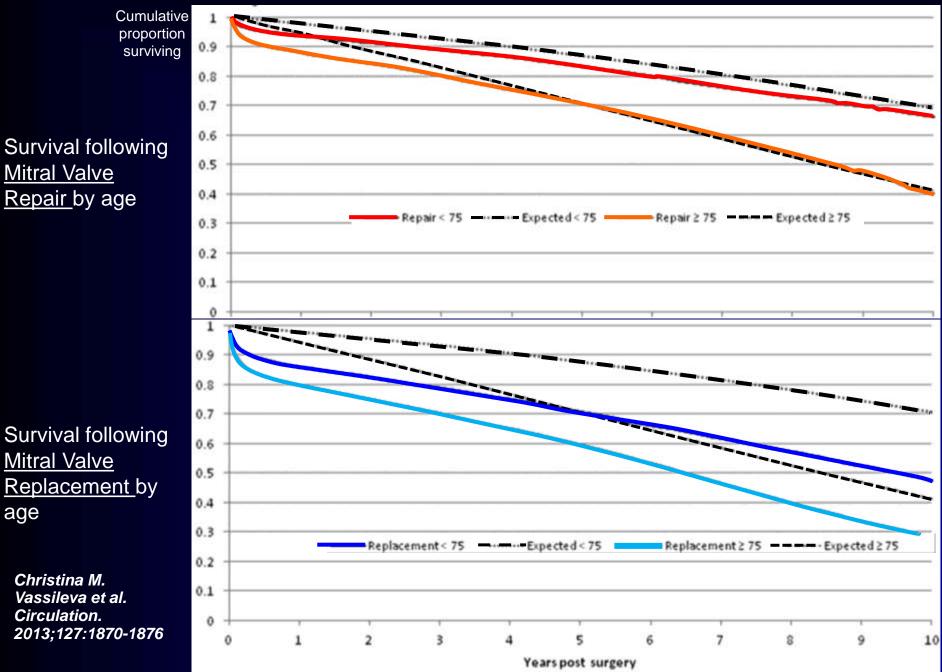
## Endocarditis: CVPath Registry

	Cases with Endocarditis N=12 (15%)				
Age	80 (74-87)				
Sex (male), %	67%				
Duration, days	340 (111-962)				

TAVR and subsequent Infective endocarditis incidence is 1.1%per person-year (age 80, 64% men)

# Pathology of mitral devices

## Mitral Valve repair vs. Replacement



age

# CE-marked Transcatheter Mitral Valve Repair Technologies

#### Table 1. CE-marked transcatheter mitral repair technologies.

Company	Abbott	NeoChord	Cardiac Dimensions	Valtech Cardio	Mitralign
Name	MitraClip	D\$1000	Carillon*	Cardioband	Bident
Description	Edge-to-edge technique	Implantation through TA access	Coronary sinus cinching	Transcatheter surgical- like annuloplasty	Plication device
Strengths	Versatility (DMR and FMR)	Solid surgical background	Simplicity	Solid surgical background	Simpler than other direct annuloplasty
Weaknesses	Lack of annuloplasty	TA access	Limited efficacy, unpredictable results	Complexity, advanced imaging	Limited efficacy
MR aetiology	DMR and FMR	DMR	FMR	FMR	FMR
Status	About 40,000 patients worldwide	About 300 patients	About 500 patients	About 100 patients	About 100 patients
DMR: degenera WA, USA	tive mitral regurgitation; FI	MR: functional mitral regurg	itation. * Carillon® Mitral Cor	ntour System®; Cardiac Dim	ensions Inc., Kirkland,

### Taramasso M, et al., EuroIntervention 2016

# Latest Transcatheter Mitral Valve Annuloplasty Devices

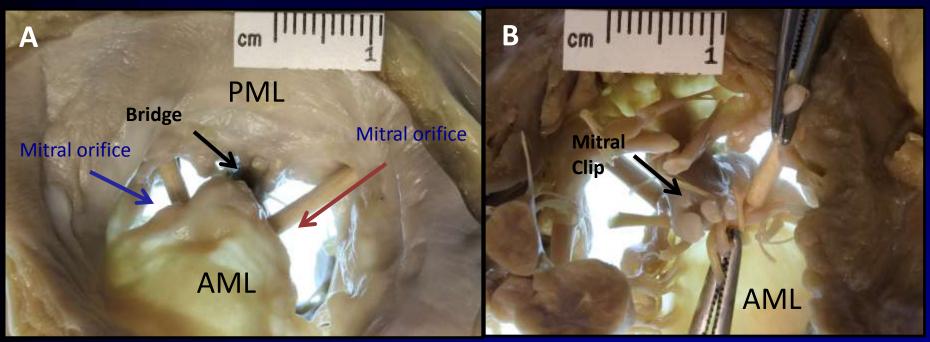
	Indirect annuloplasty	Direct annuloplasty					
Company	Cardiac dimensions, Kirkland, WA	Edwards Lifesciences, Irvine, CA	Mitralign Inc., Tewksbury, MA	Millipede Inc, Santa Rosa, CA	Guided Delivery Systems, Santa Clara, CA	Valcare Medical, Israel	MVRx, Inc., Belmont, CA
Valve Name	Carillon Mitral Countour System	Cardioband	Mitralign	Millipede	Accucinch	AMEND	ARTO
Device Image			T	XX	Darr		Ø
Description	Indirect coronary sinus annuloplasty	Adjustable cinching device	Leaflet plication using pledgets	Complete semi rigid ring	endovascular technique to reduce the sub- mitral LV dimensions	Complete D- shaped semi rigid ring	Direct A-P Diameter Shortening
Access	Transjugular	TF/transseptal	TF/transaortic	TF/transseptal	TF/transaortic	TA	Endovascular venous delivery

Presented by Maisano F @ TCT2017

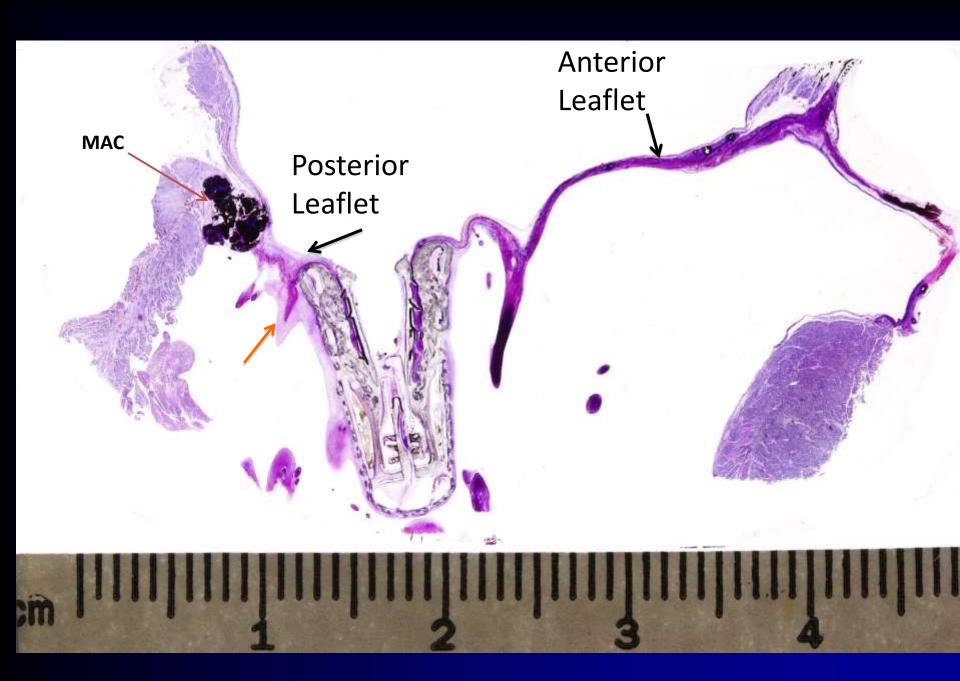
## **Mitral Clip implanted for Functional MR**

### **Atrial View**

### **Ventricular view**



### Implant duration 356 days



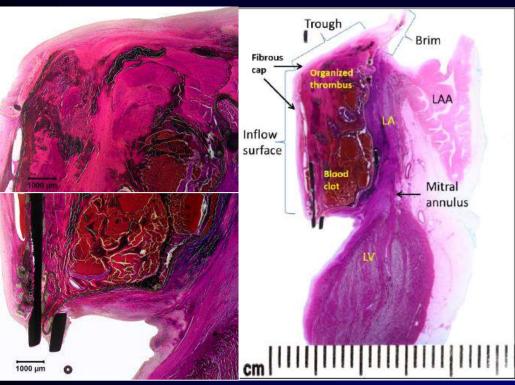
## **Transcatheter mitral valve replacement** technologies: early clinical experiences.

Company	Abbott	Edwards	Medtronic	Neovasc			
Name	Tendyne	CardiAQ	Intrepid	Tiara			
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Patients treated	31	12	15	15			
First implant	October 2014	June 2012	September 2014	January 2014			
Functional aetiology	86%	64%	73%	54%			
Successful deployment	21/23 (91%)	9/11 (82%)	14/15 (93%)	9/11 (82%)			
30-day mortality	1/23 (4%)	5/11 (45%)	2/15 (13%)	3/11 (27%)			
MR grade 0 at follow-up	19/19 (100%)	na	13/14 (93%)	na			
MR: mitral regurgitation; na: not available (adapted from Meredith I. Transcathtation: Early Clinical Outcomes. EuroPCR 2016).							

Several TMVR devices are currently under clinical evaluation and the early experience has demonstrated the feasibility of TMVR

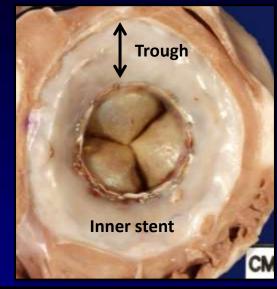
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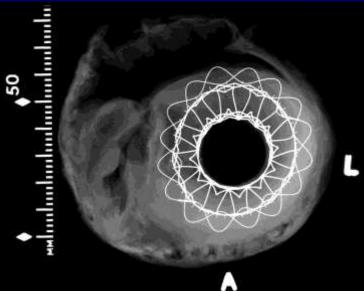
### Intrepid TMVR: Medtronic APOLLO Trial - pivotal trial designed to evaluate the Intrepid(TM) TMVR system



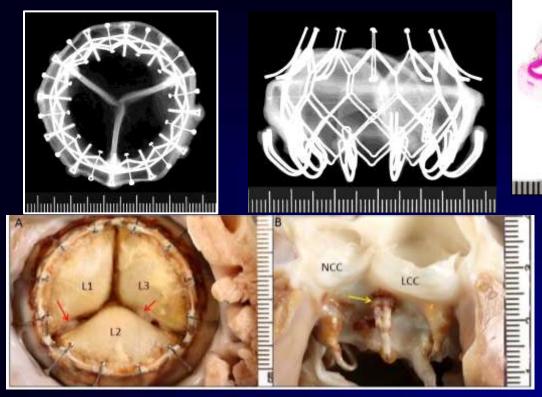
- Intra-annular, trileaflet bovine pericardial valve contained in a self-expanding nitinol frame.
- The inner stent houses the valve and the outer fixation ring accommodates the variability of the Mitral valve.
- Notice the trough completely covered by organized neoendocardial tissue.



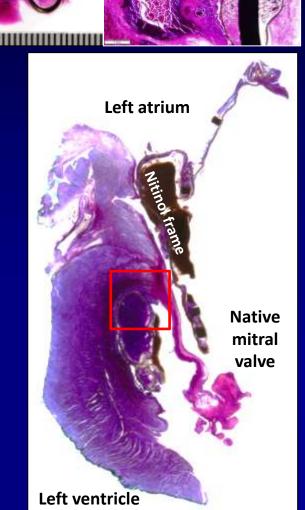




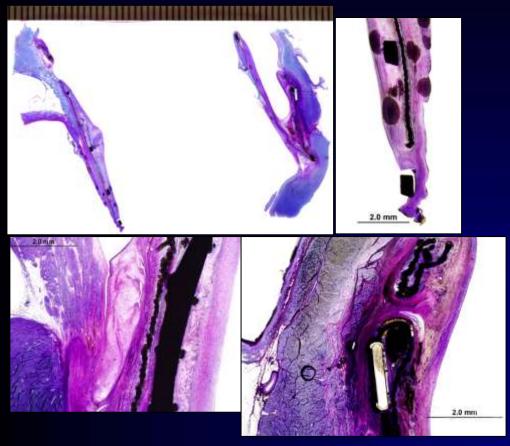
## CardiAQ (Edwards)

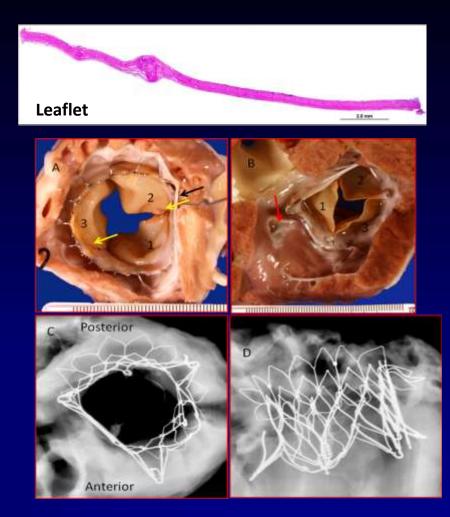


- Self-expanding supra-annular trialeaflet valve composed of bovine pericardial tissue.
- The nitinol frame has 2 sets of opposing anchors which secure the device to the mitral apparatus.
- The ventricular anchors rest behind the mitral leaflets and subvalvular apparatus preserving the chords and using native leaflets as support.
- Currently, Cardia-Q is undergoing design evaluation so we can expect to see this device soon in a clinical trial .



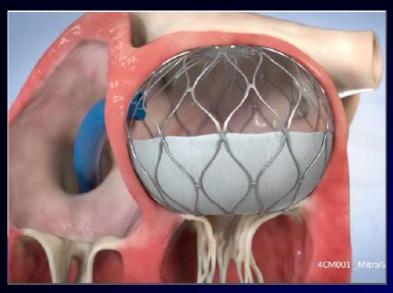
## **Tiara CE marked**

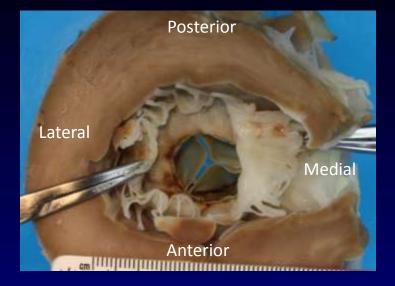




- Neovasc Tiara TMVR it is the only valve with a D-shape design.
- It is a self –expanding trialeaflet valve made of bovine pericardium and a nitinol frame.

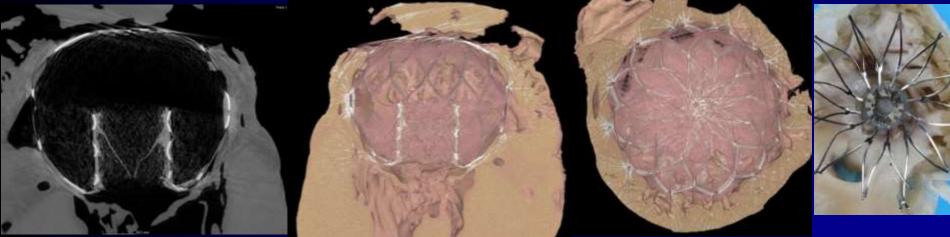
## **4C Medical**





MicroCT





- The first transcatheter MR treatment that preserves the native mitral valve and left ventricle using a supra-annular, atrial-only fixation technology.
- The device is placed and anchored entirely in the left atrium.

# Summary

### TAVR

- Pathological severe thrombosis, that may cause reduced leaflet motion; was seen in 12% in CVPath TAVR registry.
- Oral anticoagulation therapy, but not DAPT, is effective in prevention or treatment of subclinical leaflet thrombosis.
- Structural changes of the leaflet are likely the main causation of late (>5 year) bioprosthetic valve failure.

### **Mitral devices**

- Transcatheter valve repair in patients with high operative surgical risk are an extremely relevant clinical group for percutaneous repair than replacement.
- It is likely that combinations of percutaneous repair or valve replacement will be needed to achieve optimal results.
  - Percutaneous repair may be the preferred alternative.

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