

# Medtronic: CoreValve Evolut R and Engager TAVI System

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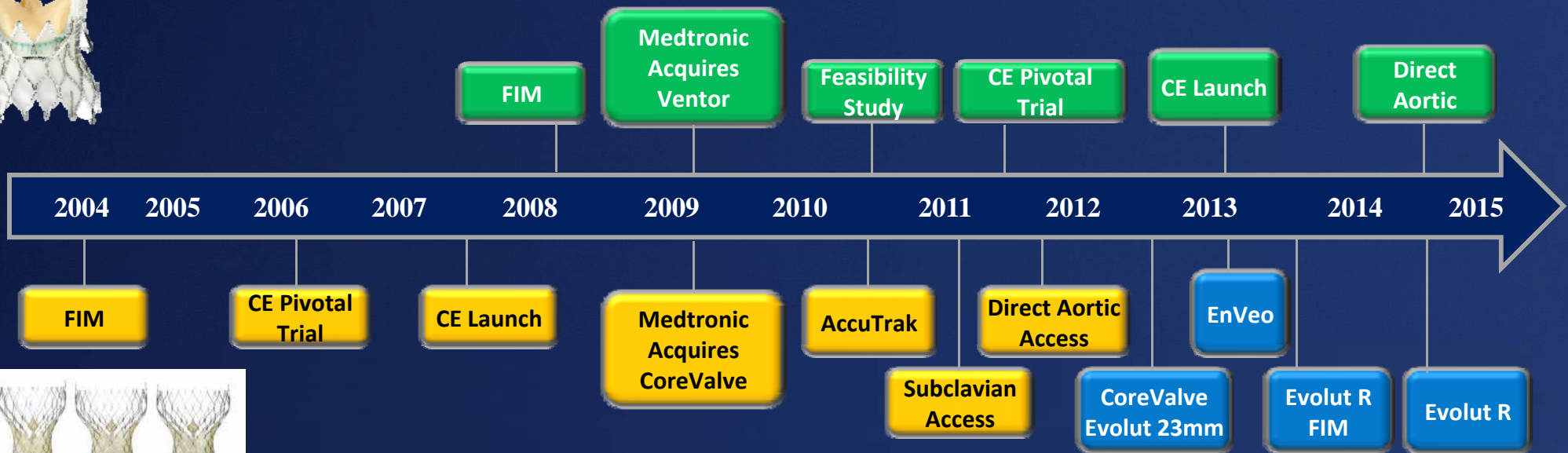
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# Medtronic's Approach to TAVI

- Strategic intent always to offer two complimentary valve platforms
- Multiple valves and multiple access routes needed in order to achieve the best outcome for every TAVI patient
- The right options – valve sizes, access routes – empower heart teams to achieve the best outcomes with every patient

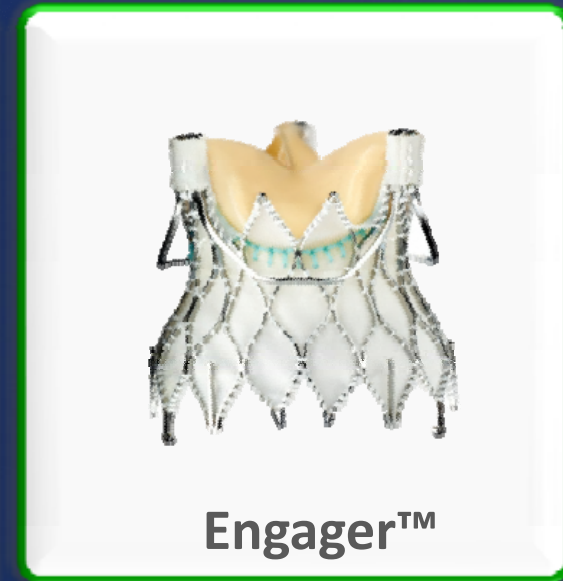
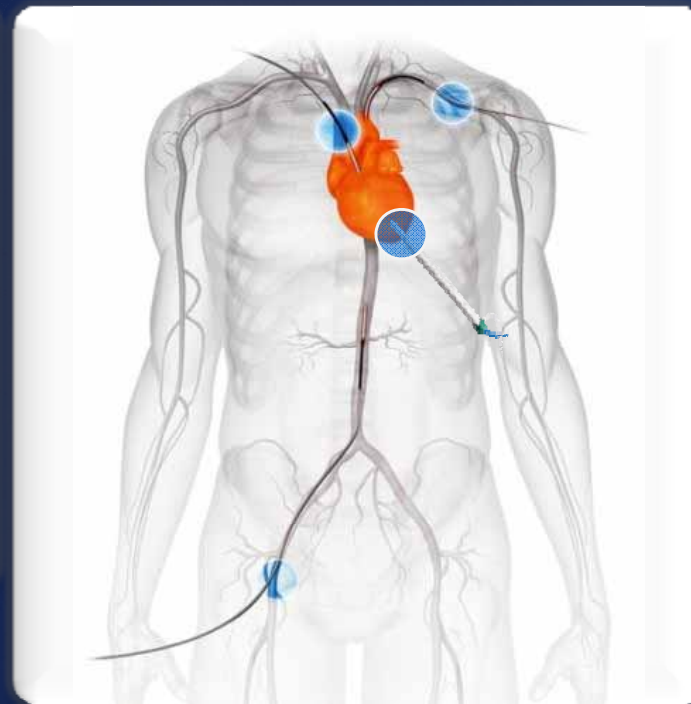


# Medtronic's TAVI Portfolio: Common Factors

- Self-expanding, supra-annular valves for every access route
  - Self-expanding frames conform and seal to varying annular shapes
  - Supra-annular valve function facilitates coaptation in non-circular anatomy
  - Repositionability and controlled deployment enable proper positioning



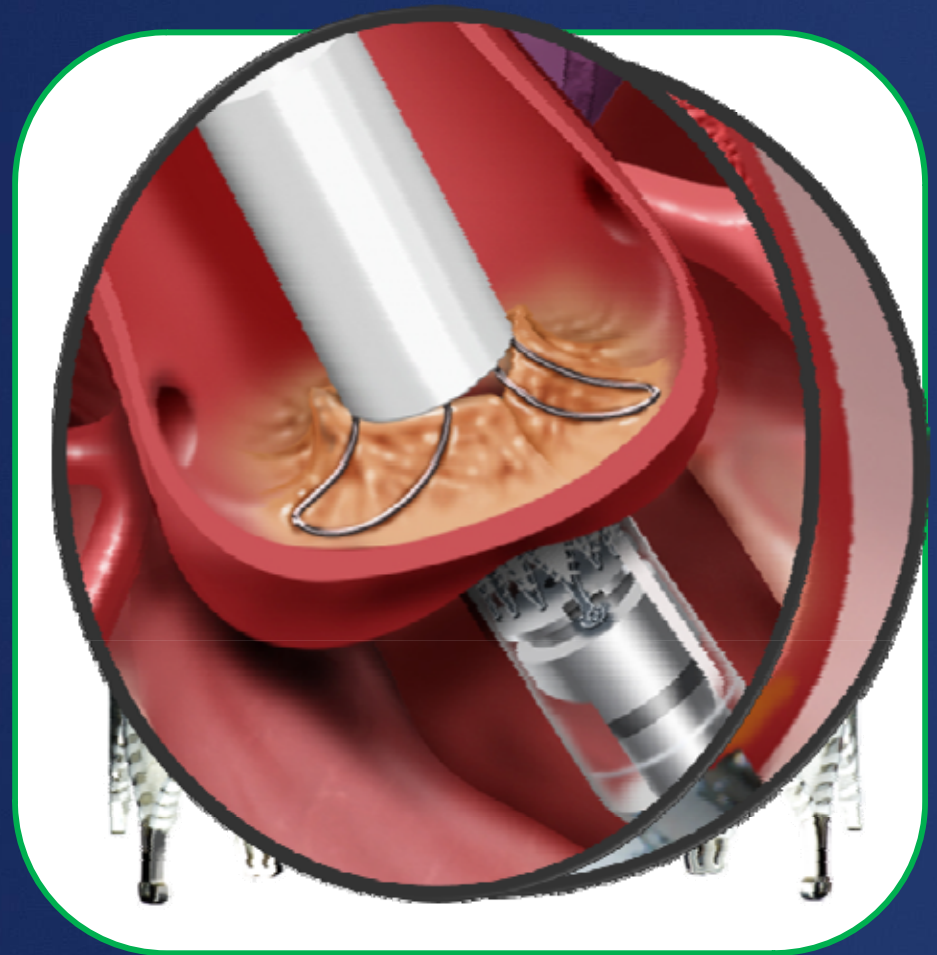
- Transfemoral
- Subclavian
- Direct Aortic



- Transapical
- Direct Aortic

# Engager Valve Design

- Control arms
- Self-expanding nitinol frame and polyester skirt
- Supra-annular valve function
- Bovine pericardial tissue

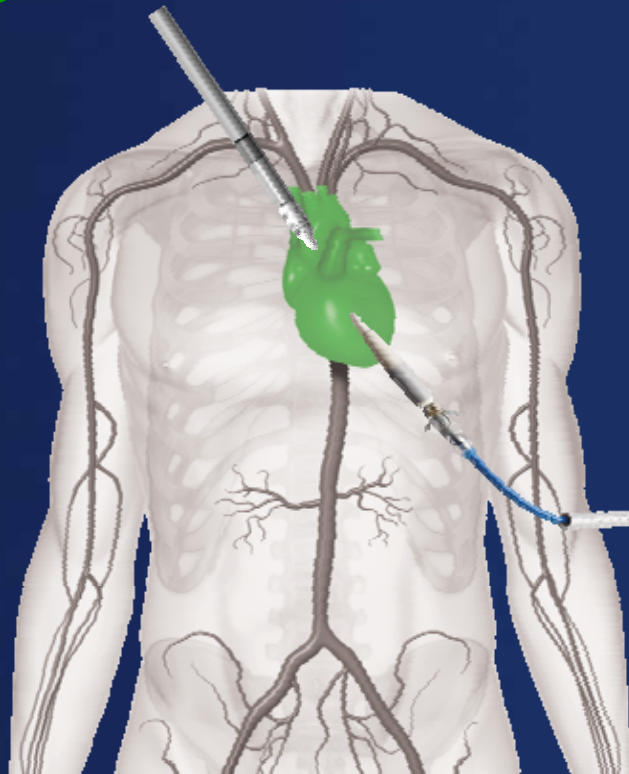


# Engager Access Routes

The Engager system is designed to offer both transapical and direct aortic access routes

## Direct Aortic

- Multi-center Engager DA Study underway
- Simple three step deployment
- Delivery catheter system with optional stability sheath



## Transapical

- CE-Mark approved
- Simple three step deployment
- Integrated introducer sheath

# CoreValve Design

## Outflow

Supports valve commissures and enables controlled deployment

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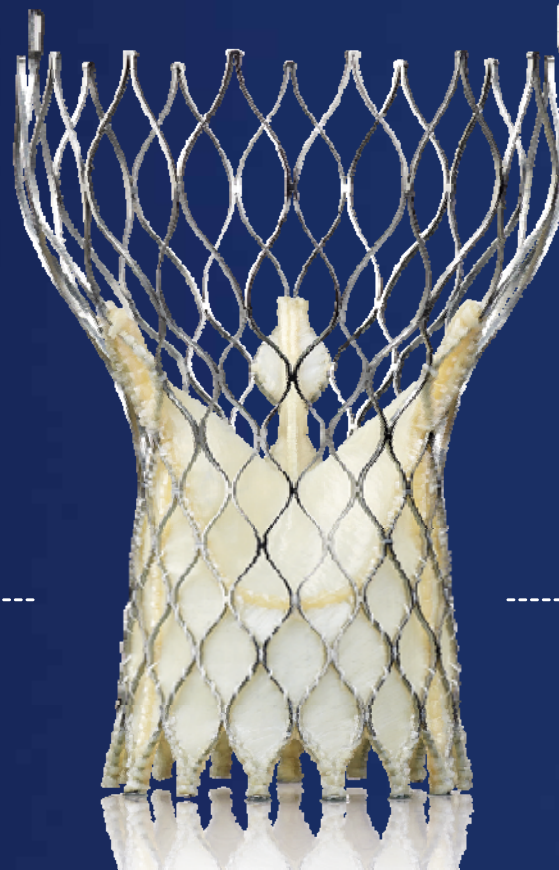
## Waist

Promotes circularity, supports supra-annular valve

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## Inflow

Conforms and seals to the annulus



Low Radial Force

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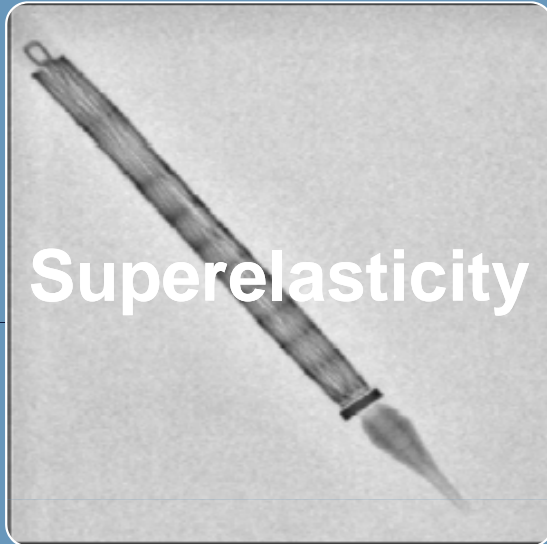
High Hoop Strength

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High Radial Force

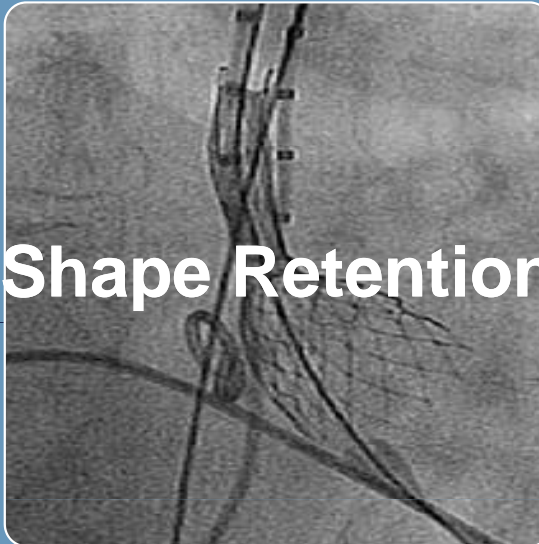
# Nitinol Ideally Suited for Future TAVI

Durable Performance in small package is critical



## Superelasticity

- Compact design for true low profile delivery



## Shape Retention

- Self-anchoring
- Controlled retraction for precise delivery and placement
- Maintain valve shape without recoil



## Proven Performance

- Corrosion resistance
- Low thrombogenicity
- Conformable to patient anatomy
- Fatigue performance



# Porcine Pericardium

## Optimal TAVI Tissue

### Thin

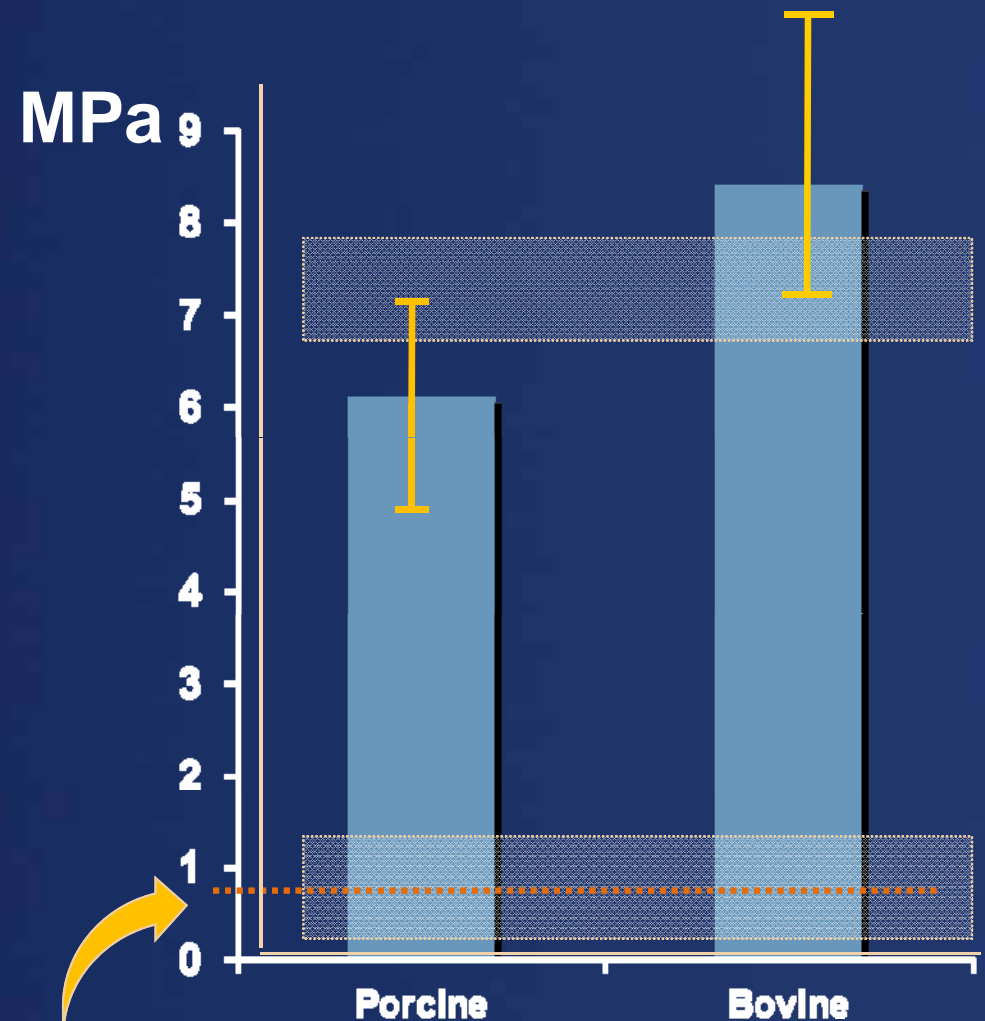
Half the thickness of bovine

Prevents tissue damage during crimping, tracking, and deployment, allowing for low-profile delivery across all valve sizes.<sup>1,2</sup>

### Strong

Far exceeds physiologic need

Ultimate tensile strength (UTS) and suture pullout force for porcine and bovine pericardium are not statistically different<sup>1,3</sup> and exceed peak physiologic stresses<sup>4</sup>



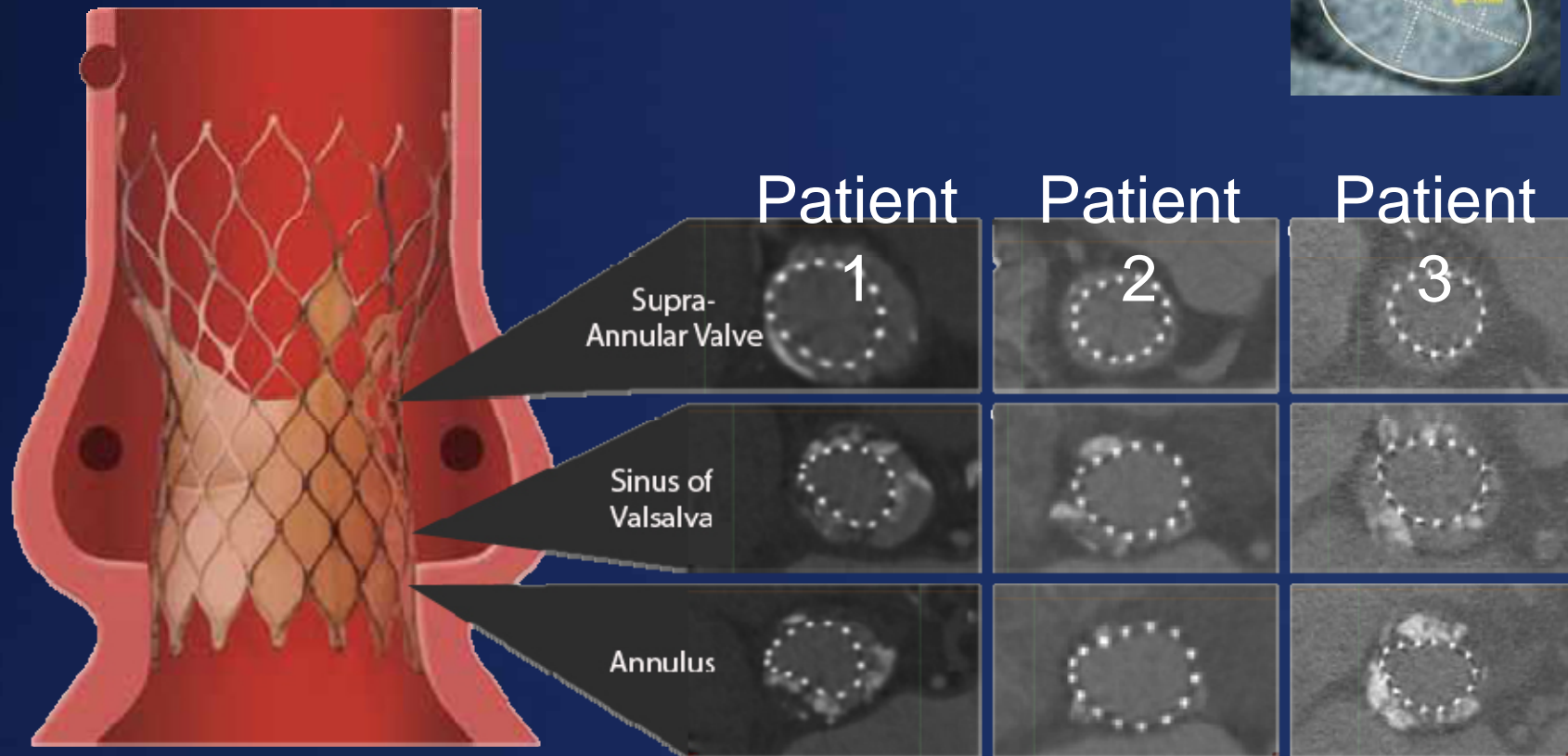
Peak Physiologic Stress

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# Supra-Annular Valve Design

Flexible frame conforms to native annulus shape while maintaining the bioprosthesis in a higher position

- This decoupling of the valve from native annulus shape minimizes the impact of ellipticity at the valve level post deployment<sup>1</sup>

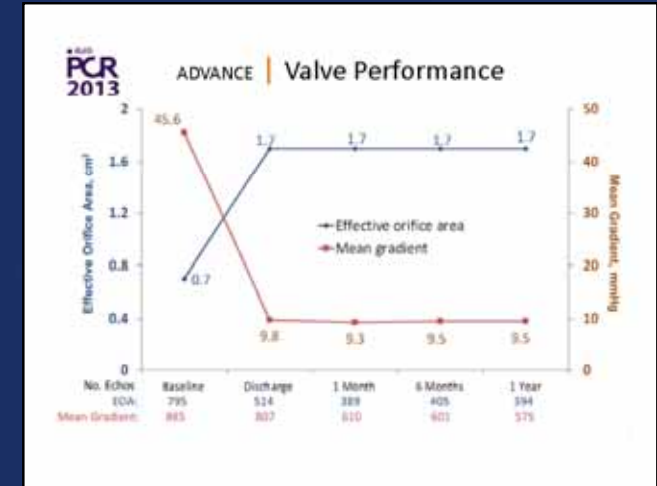
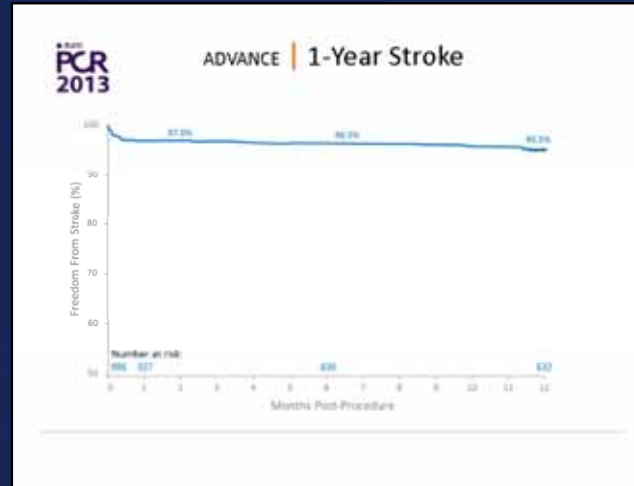
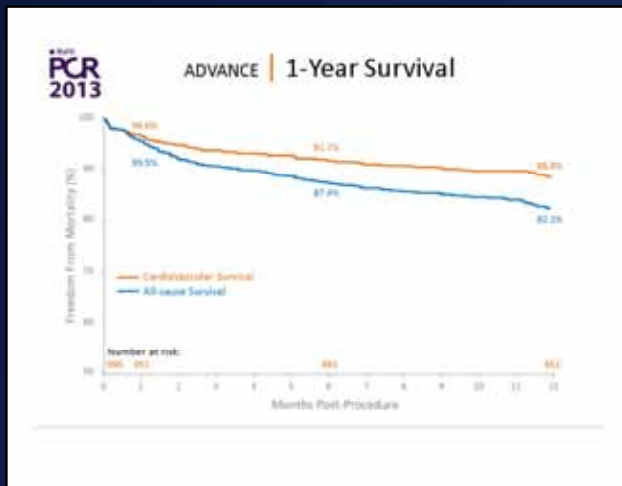


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# CoreValve Clinical Outcomes

More than 40,000 implants worldwide

- High procedural success
  - Low rates of annular rupture, coronary compromise, valve embolism
- High survival rates
- Significant and persistent hemodynamic improvement

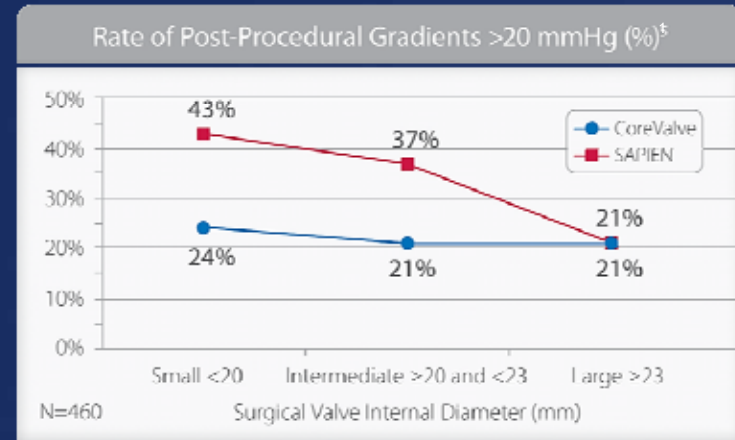
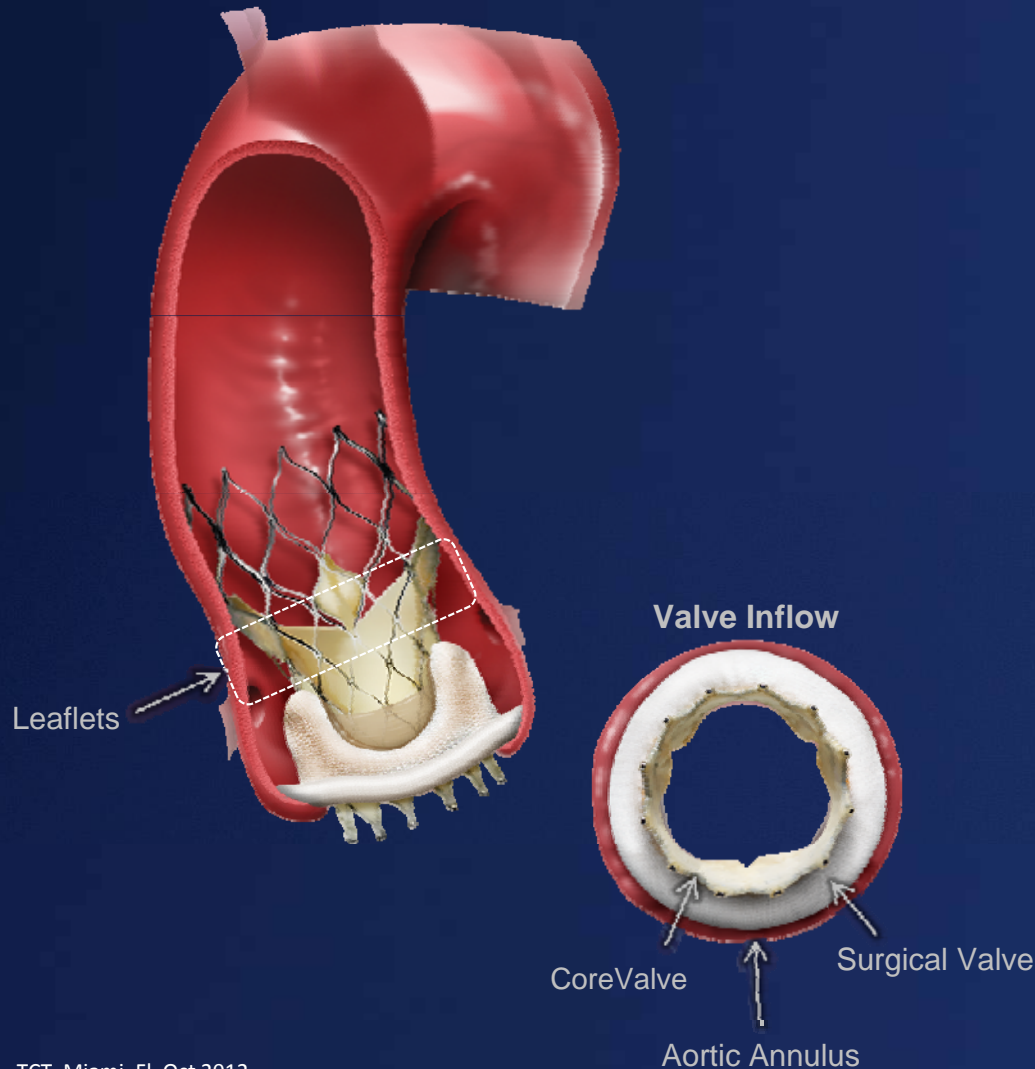


CoreValve ADVANCE, EuroPCR 2013

# Use of CoreValve in failed surgical bioprostheses

## Supra-annular valve function maximizes blood flow

### Low post-procedural gradients



### Large potential orifice area

Leaflets sit above the annulus where the frame is least constrained, opening up the valve for greater flow

# Opportunities for Future

**1 Annular sealing**  
Reduces paravalvular leak

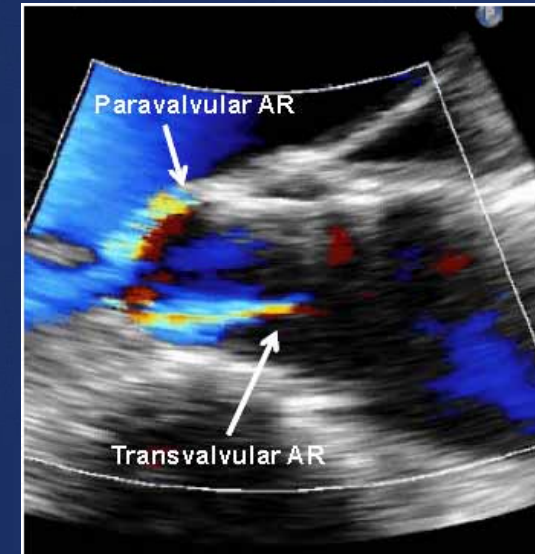
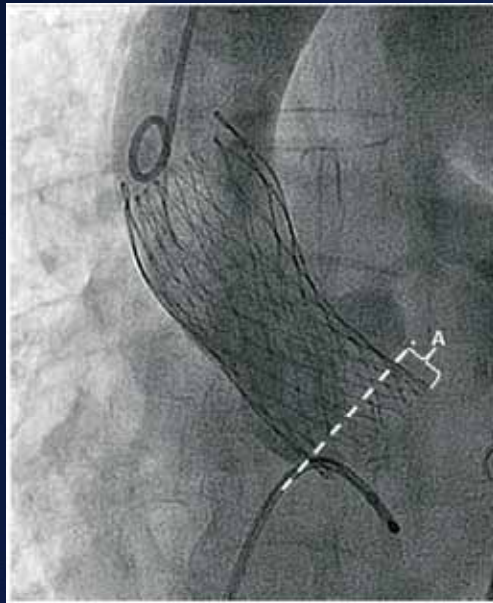


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**2 Proper positioning**  
Key to achieving superior clinical outcomes, including PVL performance and conduction disturbances



(TcheTche, et. al. – EuroIntervention 2012)

**3 Low OD sheath to femoral artery ratio (SFAR)**  
Reduces major vascular complications

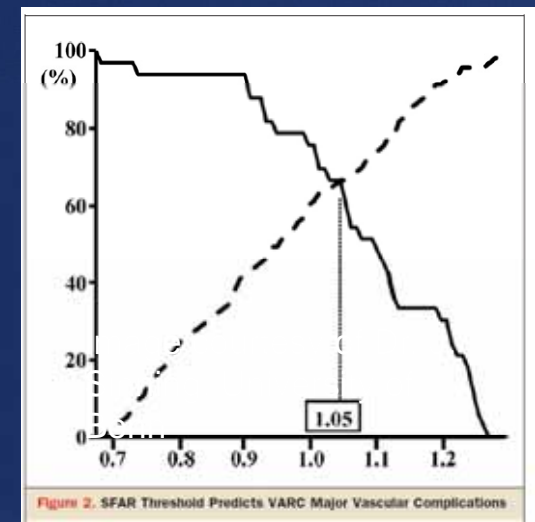
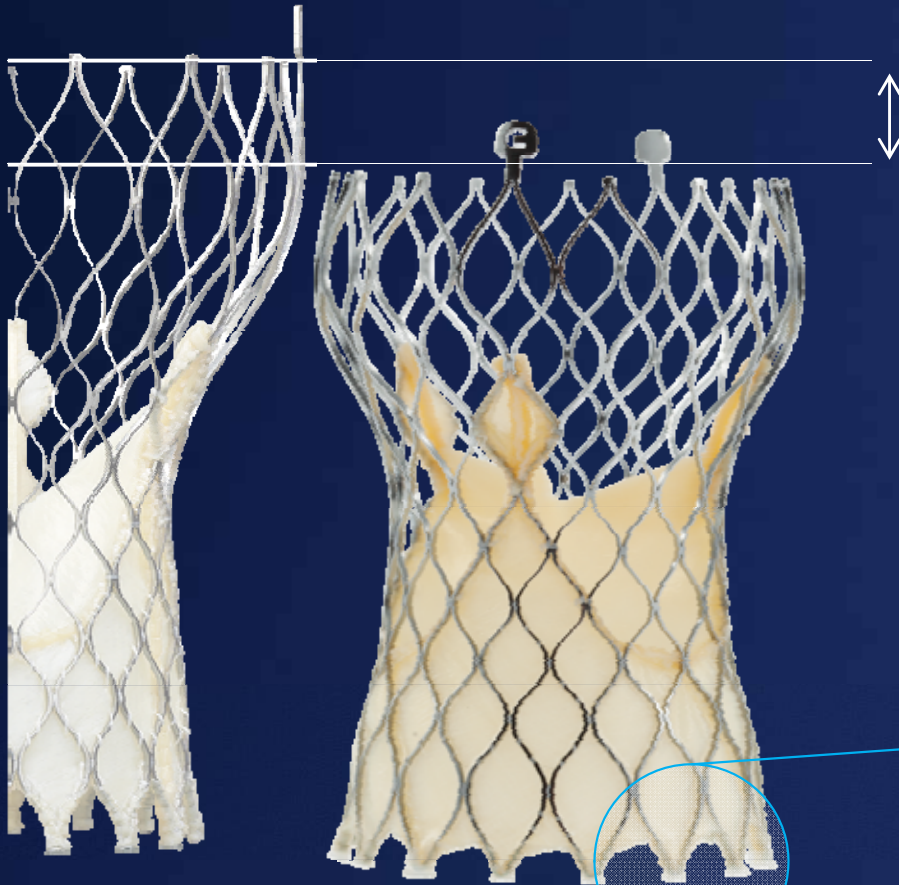


Figure 2. SFAR Threshold Predicts VARC Major Vascular Complications

# Annular Sealing | Valve Design

## Valve Height and Extended Skirt



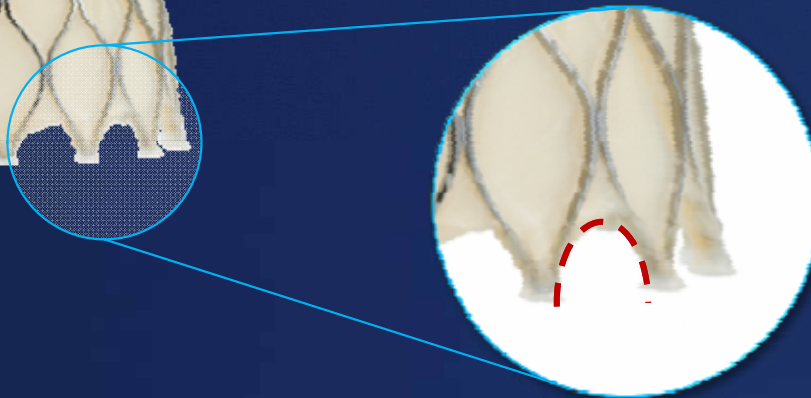
### Outflow design

Outflow height reduced by 10% and reshaped for improved fit, especially in angulated anatomy



### Extended Skirt

Scalloped skirt creates longer landing plane for better sealing



# Annular Sealing | Frame Characteristics

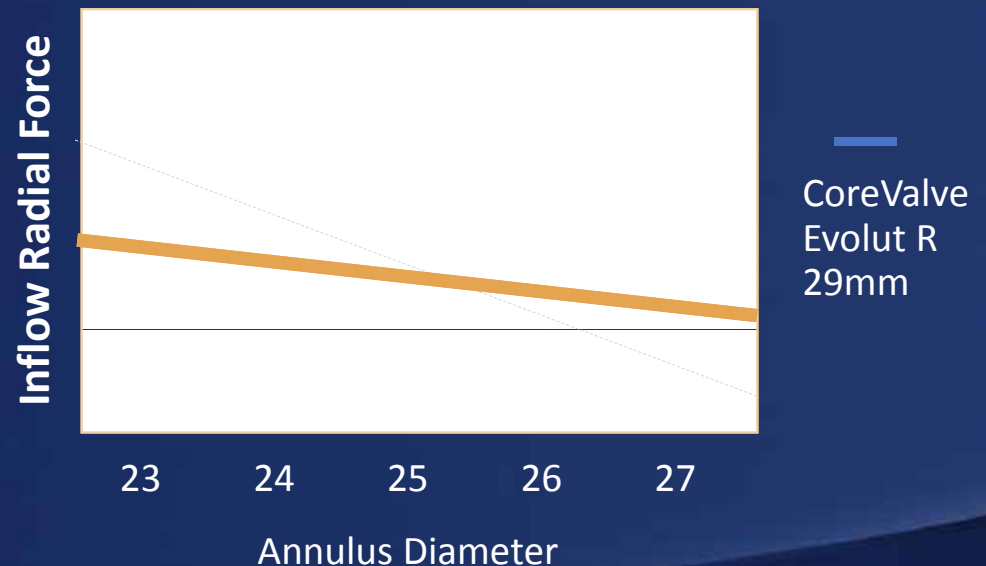
## Cell Geometry and Radial Force

### Modified cell geometry

Improves conformability in non-circular and calcified annulus while preserving anchoring

### Consistent radial force curve across operating zone

Contributes to improved sealing across indicated annulus range



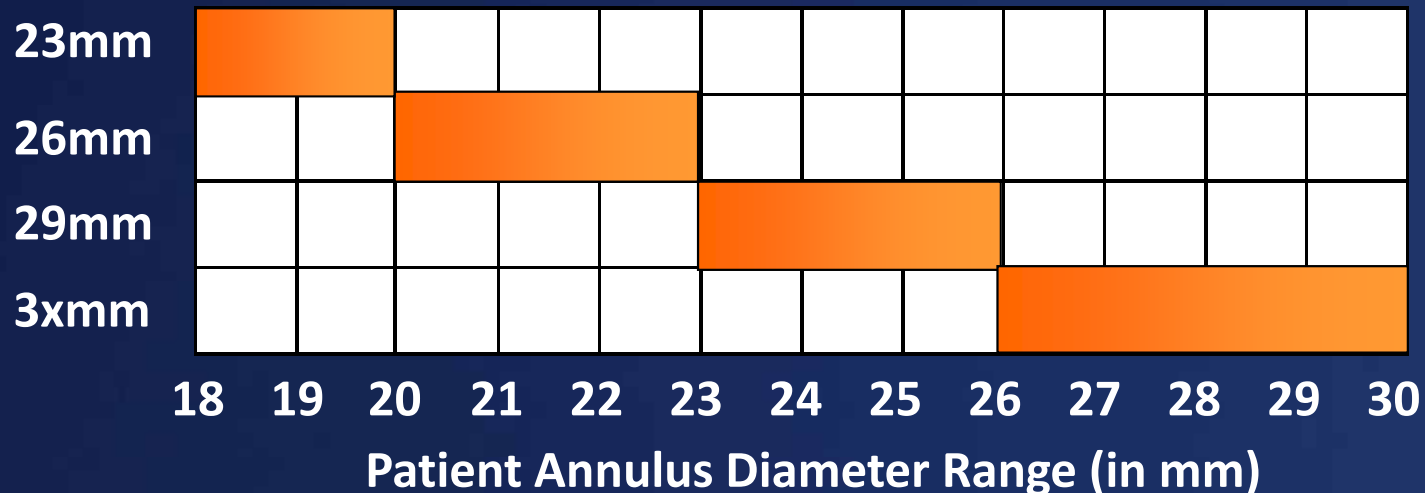
# Annular Sealing | Cover Index

## Full Range of Valve Sizes

Effect of Cover Index on PVL for CoreValve patients

Authors	# Patients	Cover Index (%)	
		PVL $\geq$ 2	PVL $<$ 2
Vasa-Nicotera et al. 2012	122	13.5 $\pm$ 3.6	16.0 $\pm$ 4.4
Gotzmann et al. 2012	198	13.7 $\pm$ 6	15.9 $\pm$ 6.2
Sinning et al. 2012	146	10.1 $\pm$ 6.3	16.0 $\pm$ 4.6

### Broad Range from 18–30 mm



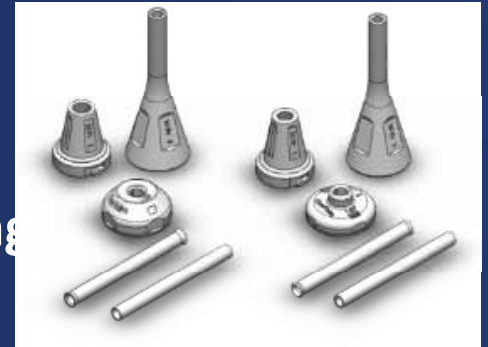


# First Time Deployment Accuracy

## EnVeo Delivery System

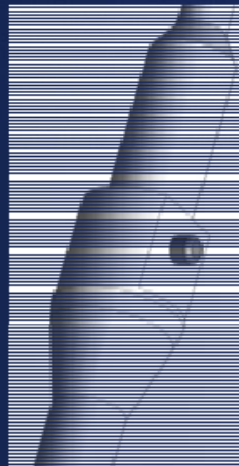
1 **Predictable deployment** through an intuitive handle with 1:1 response and improved valve release

4 Redesigned valve **loading & packaging**

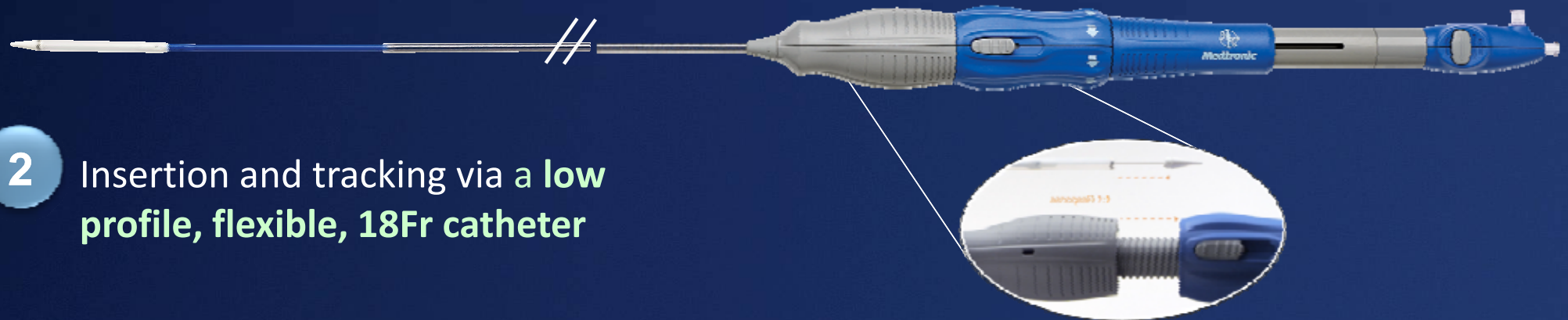


2 Insertion and tracking via a **low profile, flexible, 18Fr catheter**

3 Improved valve **release mechanism**

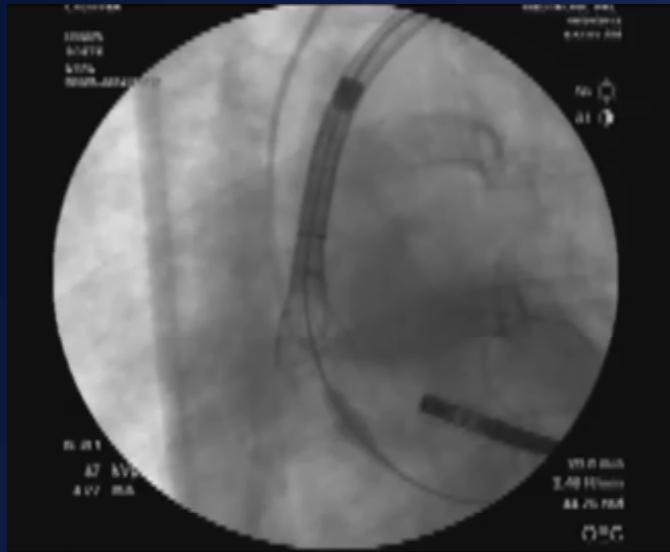


5 Facilitates delivery with an **optional shorter-length catheter** for subclavian and direct aortic access



# Resheathing, Repositioning and Deploying

Cadaver: 29mm CoreValve Evolut R



First Time Accuracy



Forced High Implant

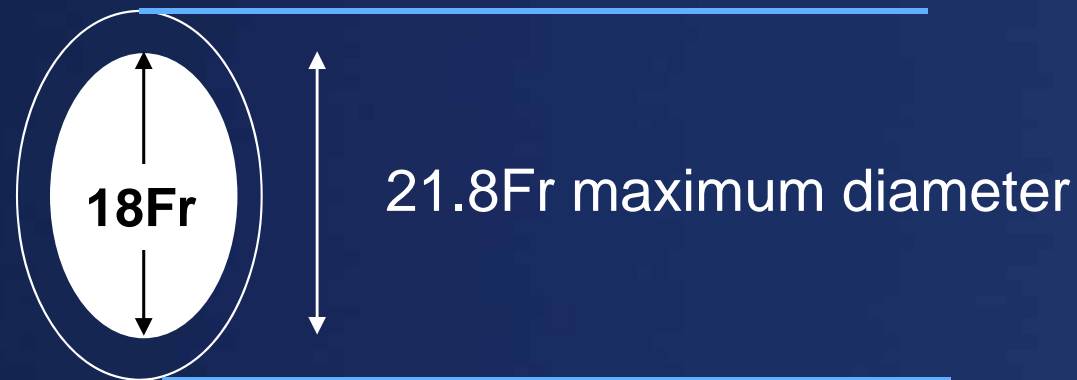


Deep Implant

# Introducer Sheath Sizing

Recognize inner diameter vs. outer (maximum) diameter measurements

18Fr Cook Introducer Sheath



# Reduce Vascular Complication Risk

EnVeo R Delivery System with InLine Sheath



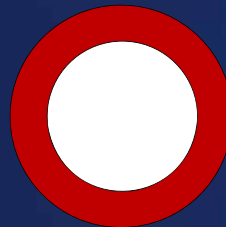
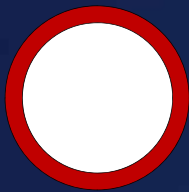
**Current**

**Future**

22 FR (OD)

26.7–29.7FR (OD)

**18 FR (OD)**  
14 FR Equivalent



*CoreValve w/ 18Fr  
Cook Sheath*

*Sapien XT w/  
Edwards e-Sheath*

*CoreValve Evolut R  
w/ InLine Sheath*

# Conclusions

- Reducing procedural complications can, ultimately, improve overall TAVI results
  - New technologies to further reduce delivery profile and avoid ventricular damage can contribute to improved TAVI outcomes
- Self-expanding technology provides platform for innovation
- Supra-annular valve provides optimal coaptation
- New delivery systems will enhance positioning necessary for improved TAVI performance
  - First time accuracy is goal, but recapture and repositionable technology provides back-up
- Continued advancement to downsize valve payload can address access challenges