

Comprehensive CT Evaluation of Valve & Vessels

Practical Issues and Clinical Outcomes

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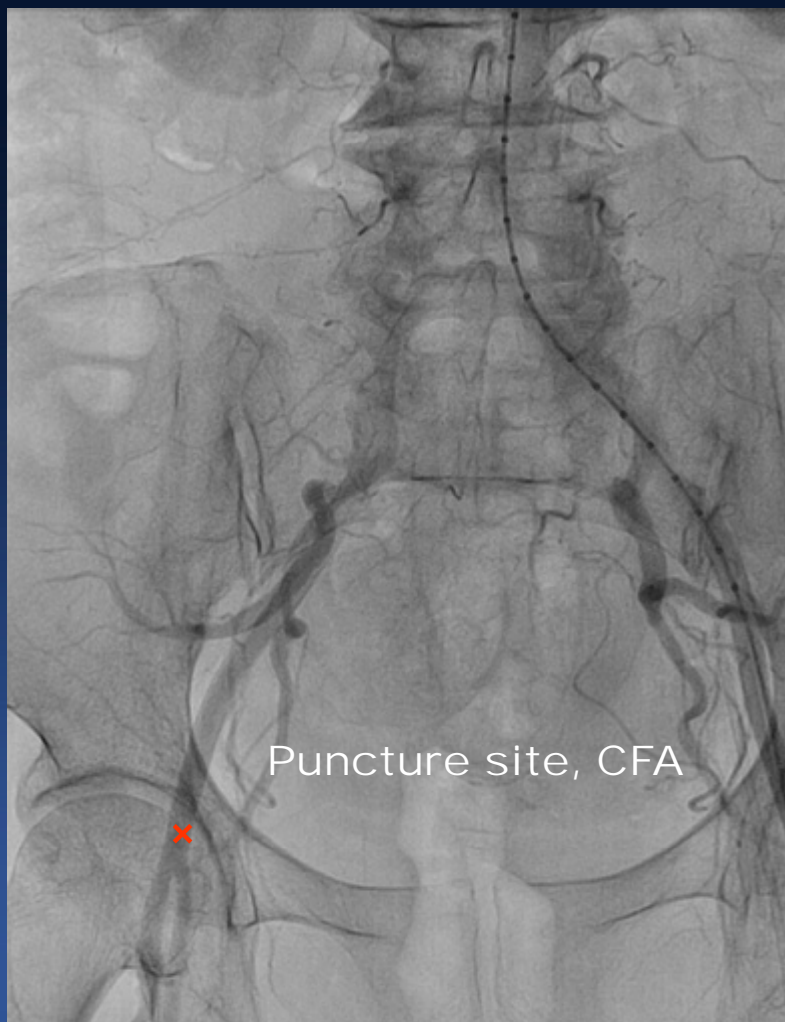
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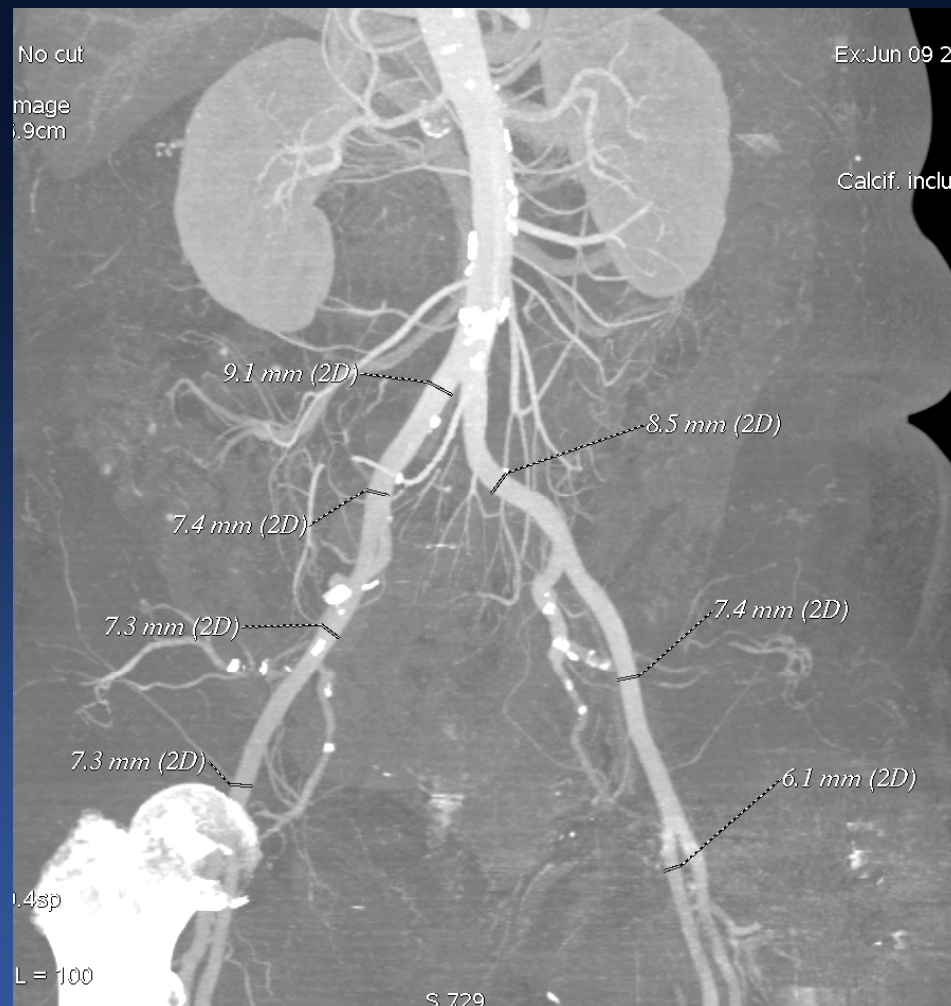
Evaluation of Access Routes

Reduce Vascular Injury

Femoral Artery Puncture under Fluoroscopic Guidance

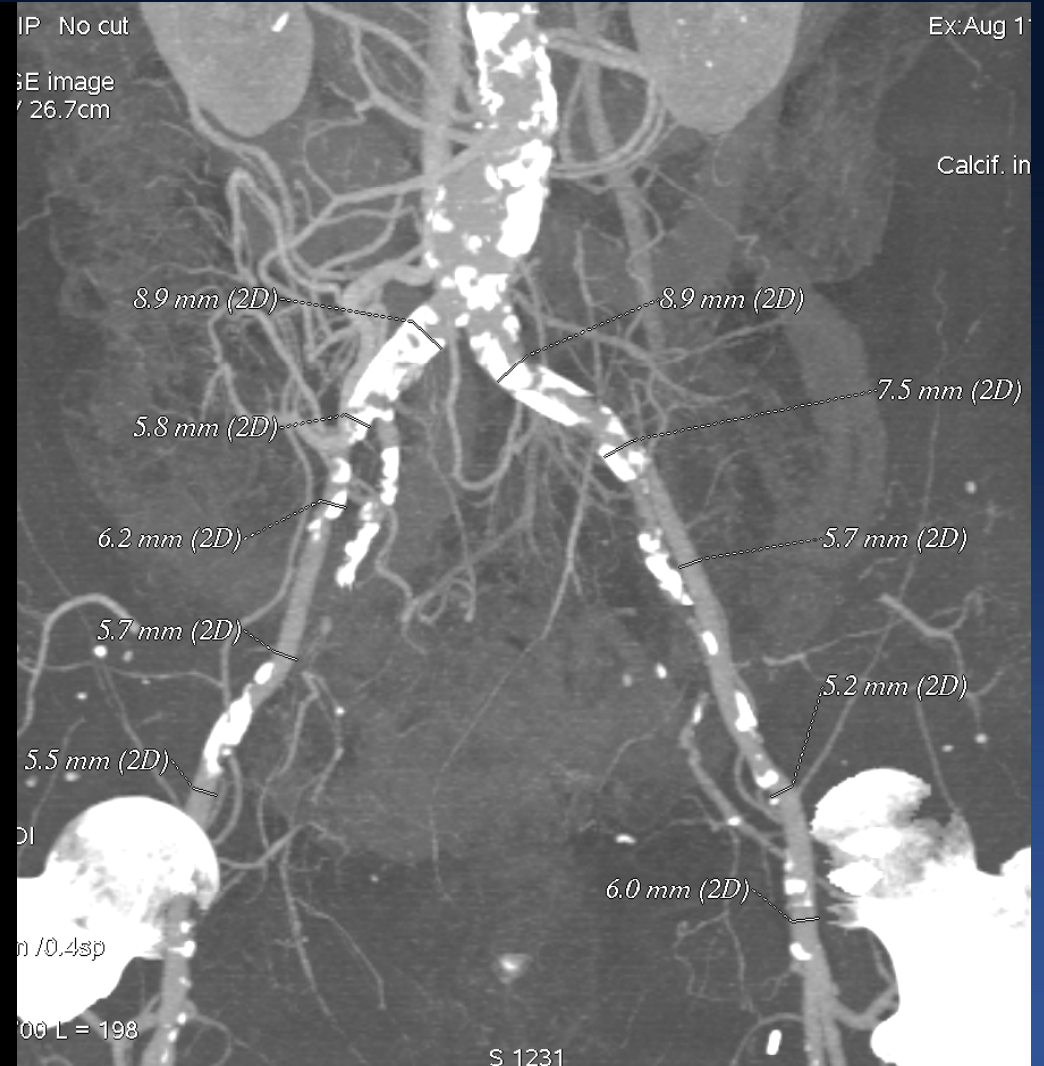


Initial Iliofemoral Aortography



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Baseline Angiography & CT



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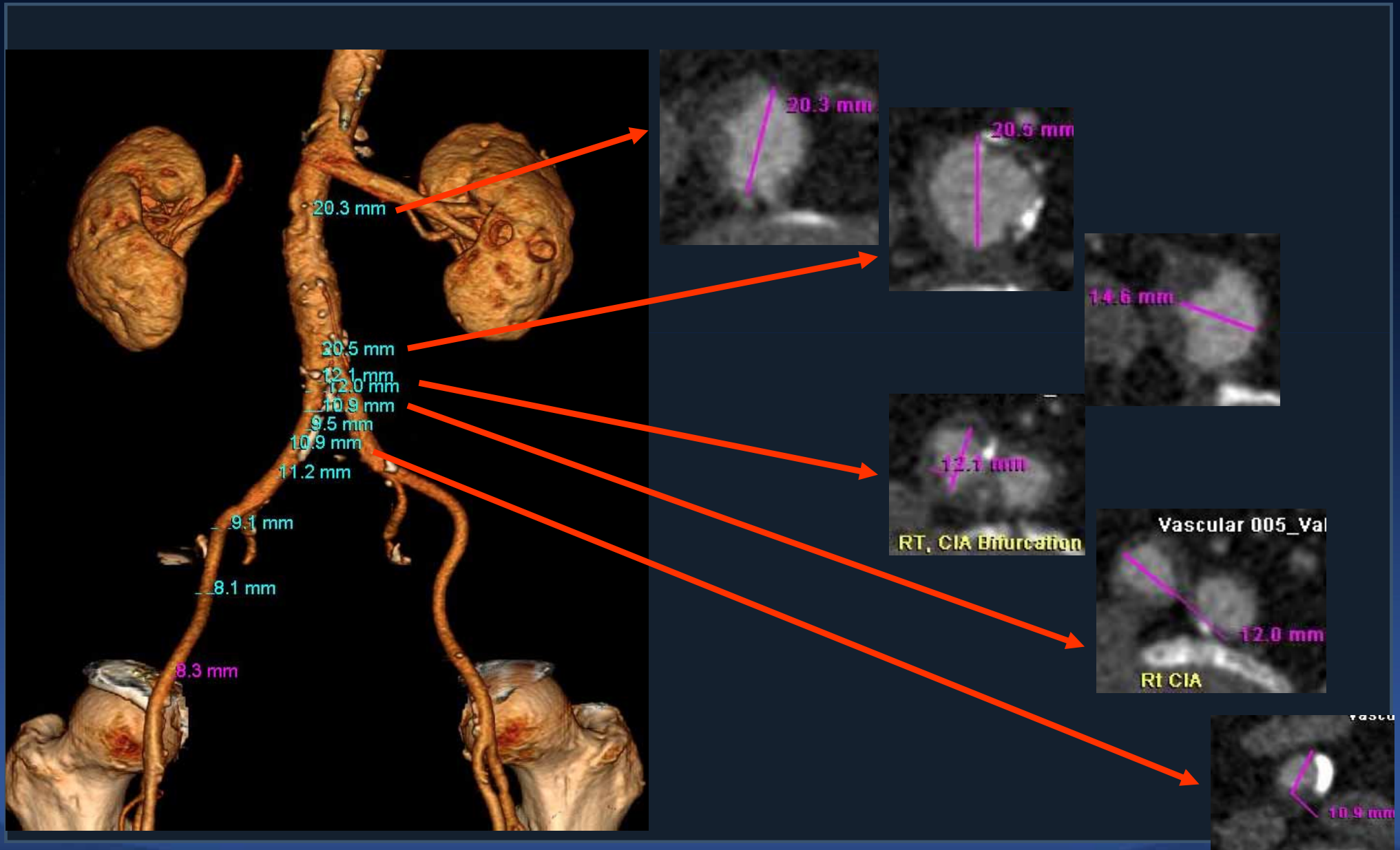
Difficulty in Advancement Severe calcific small vessel



Ileofemoral Artery Evaluation



Ileofemoral Artery Evaluation



Size Measure, Calcium distribution, Tortuosity,,,

CT Screening Can Help **Reduce** Vascular Injury Rates

Variables	2009	2010	P value
MDCT Screening	44%	69%	<0.01
Ultrasound-guided puncture	0	37%	<0.01
Sheath size >19F	40%	2%	<0.01
Expandable sheath	12%	18%	0.33
MLD < external sheath diameter	77%	30%	<0.01
All vascular complications	32%	9%	<0.01

Criteria to Predict Vascular Complications

Variables	SFAR		P Value
	≥ 1.05 (n=55)	< 1.05 (n=72)	
Any vascular complication	41.8%	16.7%	<0.001
VARC Major	30.9%	6.9%	0.001
VARC Minor	10.9%	9.7%	0.827
Femoral artery complication	27.3%	12.5%	0.035
Iliac artery complication	20.0%	2.8%	0.002
In-hospital mortality	20.0%	6.9%	0.033
30-day mortality	18.2%	4.2%	0.016

Hayashida K et al. JACC

Decrease Complications with Experiences and Device Developments

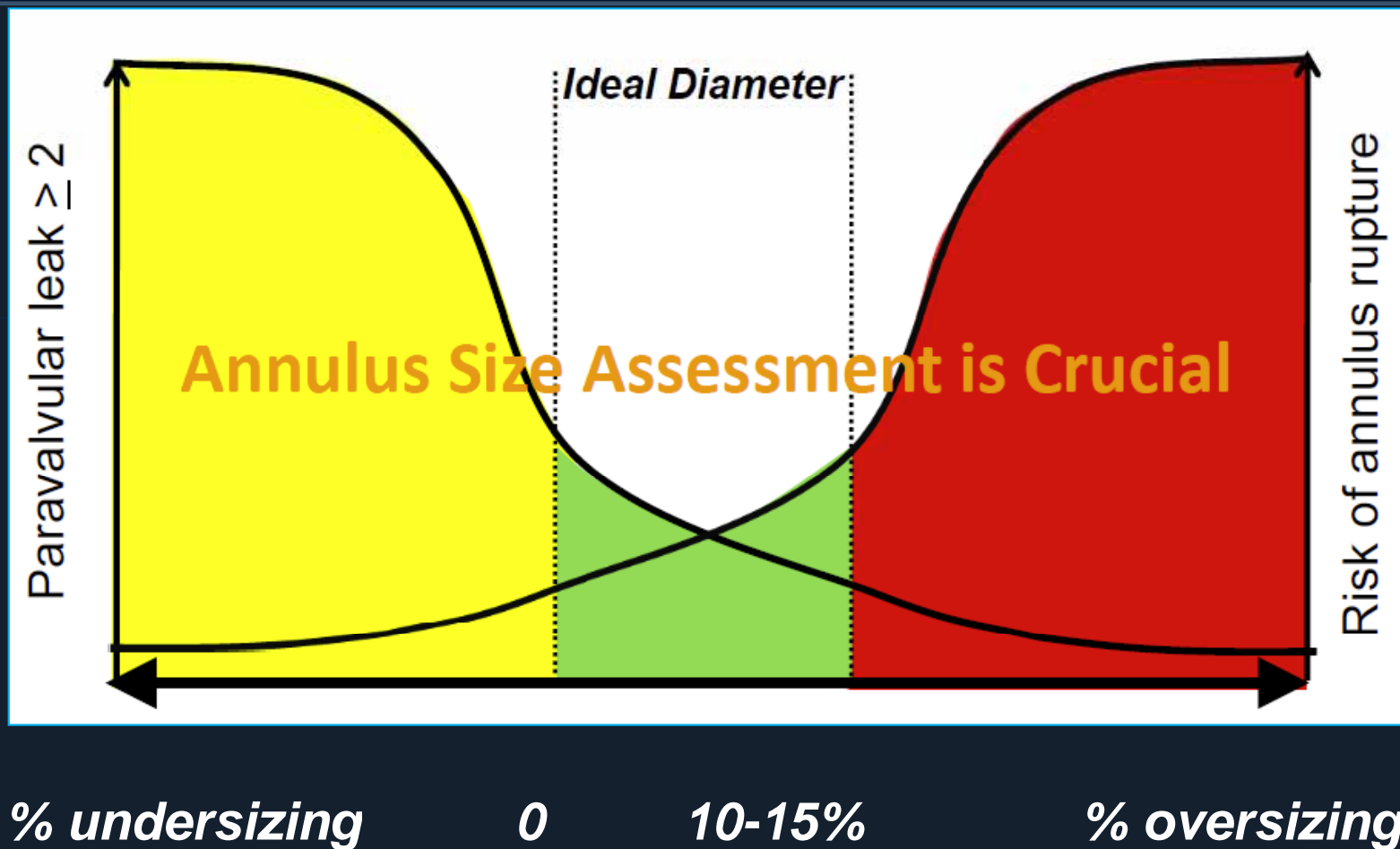
Edwards Cases	RF I or III N=9	NovaFlex N=21
Procedural success	8 (88.9%)	21 (100%)
Mortality	0	0
Stroke	0	1 (4.8%)
Permanent pacemaker	0	0
Vascular complication		
Access site	1 (11.1%)	0
Iliac artery perforation	1 (11.1%)	0
Device embolization	2 (22.2%)	1 (4.8%)

Annulus sizing

Cannot be emphasized enough...

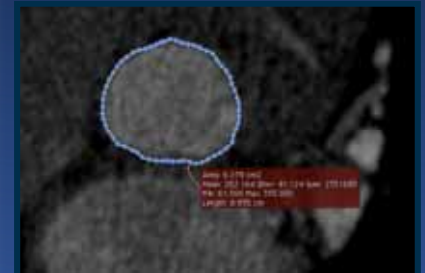
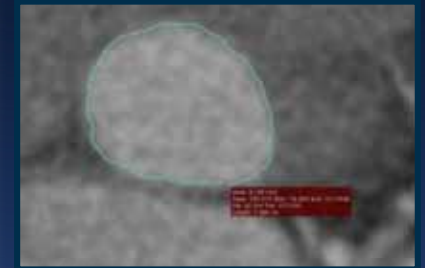
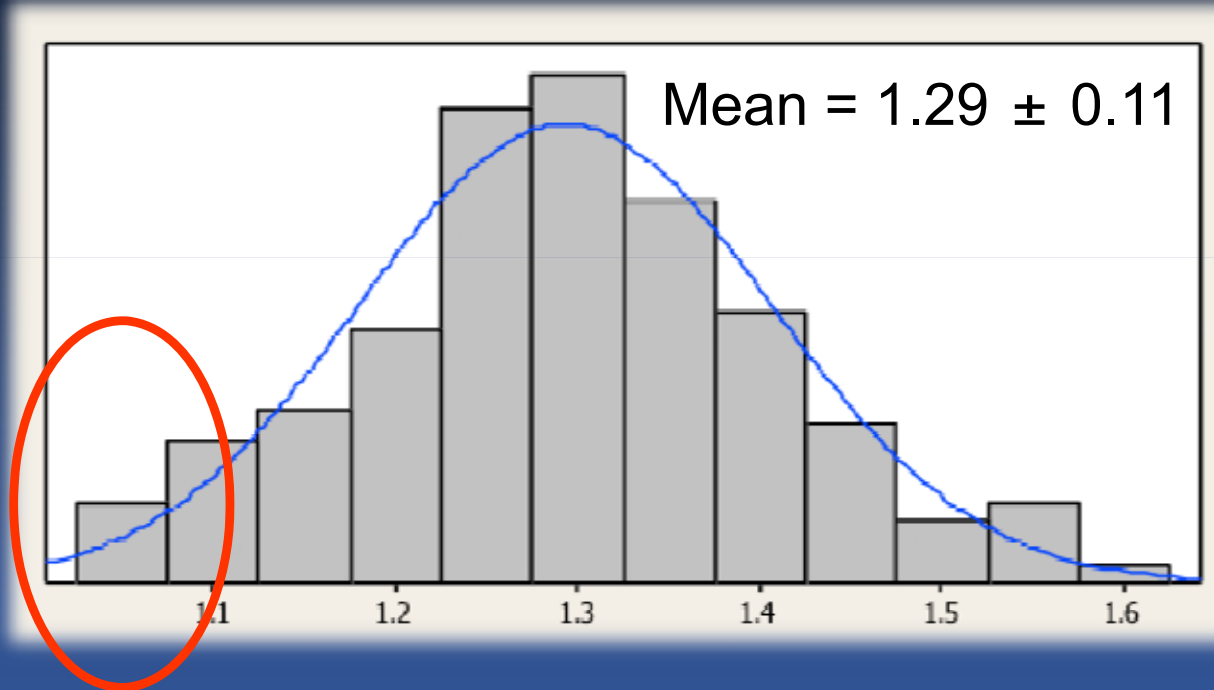
***For successful procedure
& reduce complications***

PPM or Rupture vs. PVL



Adapted from Thierry Lefevre; London Valves, 2012

Aortic Annulus on CT

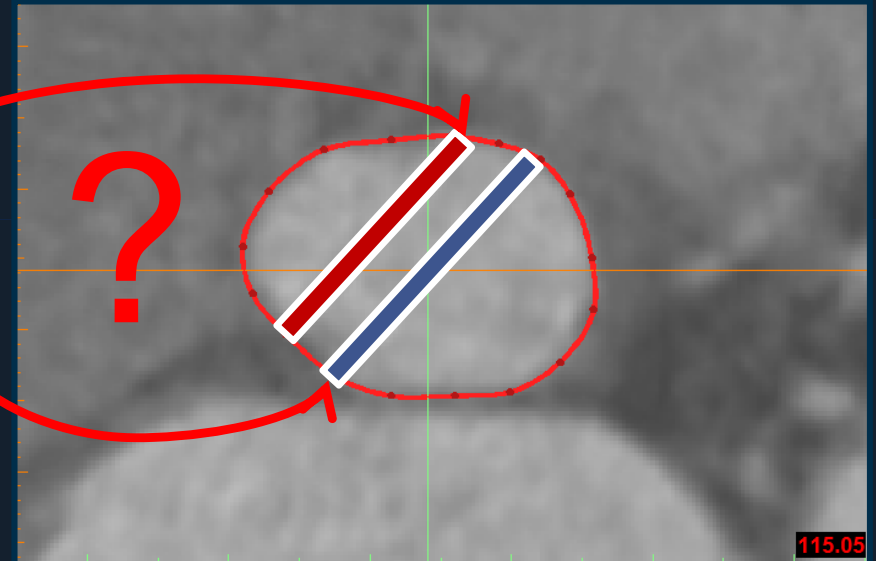
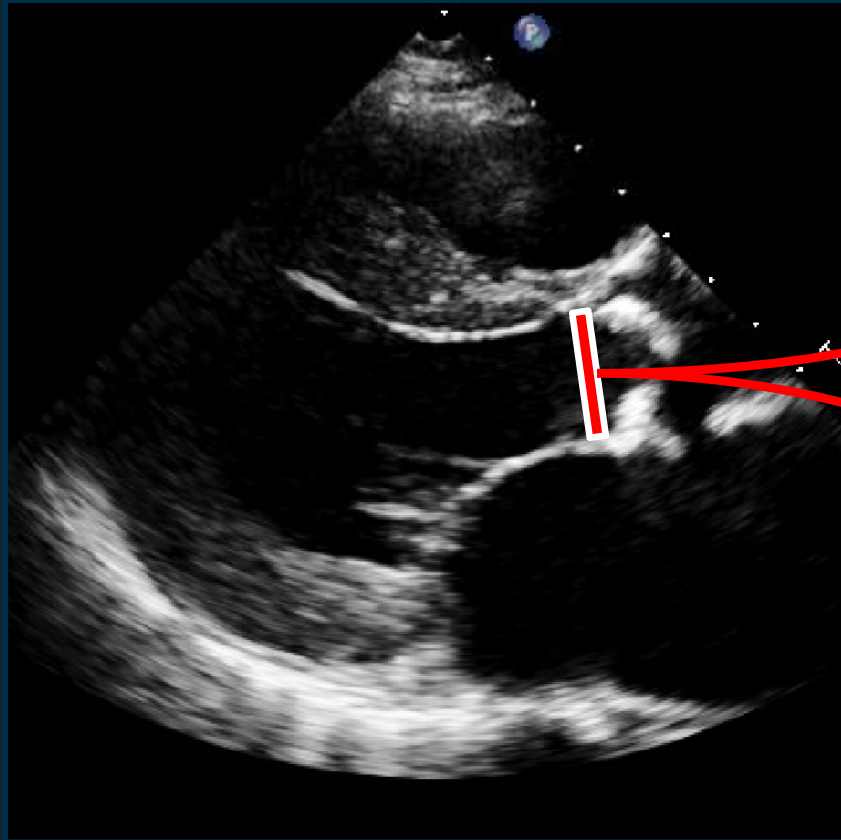


Circular Annulus is Very Small Proportion

Distribution of D_{max}/D_{min} from 164 TAVI patients

Courtesy of Dr. Piazza and Prof. Lange, German Heart Center, Munich Germany

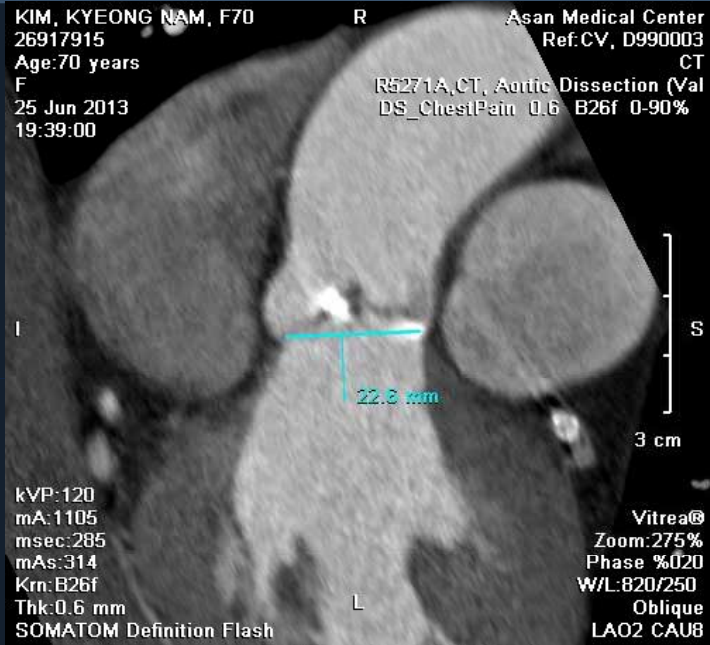
A Limitation of 2-D Image



It is possible a true diameter is not measured due to the imaging plane acquired

Piazza N, et al. *Circ Cardiovasc Intervent.* 2008;1:74.

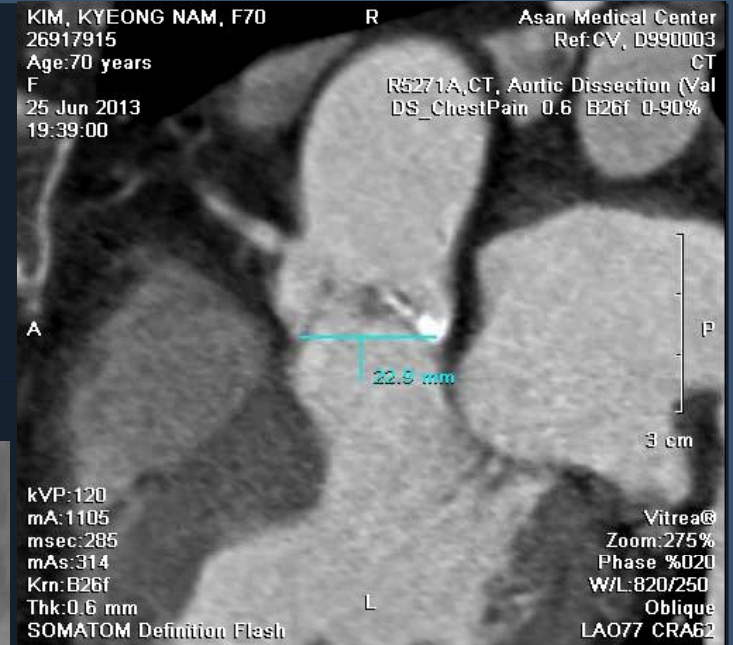
Aortic Annulus on MSCT



Coronal Image

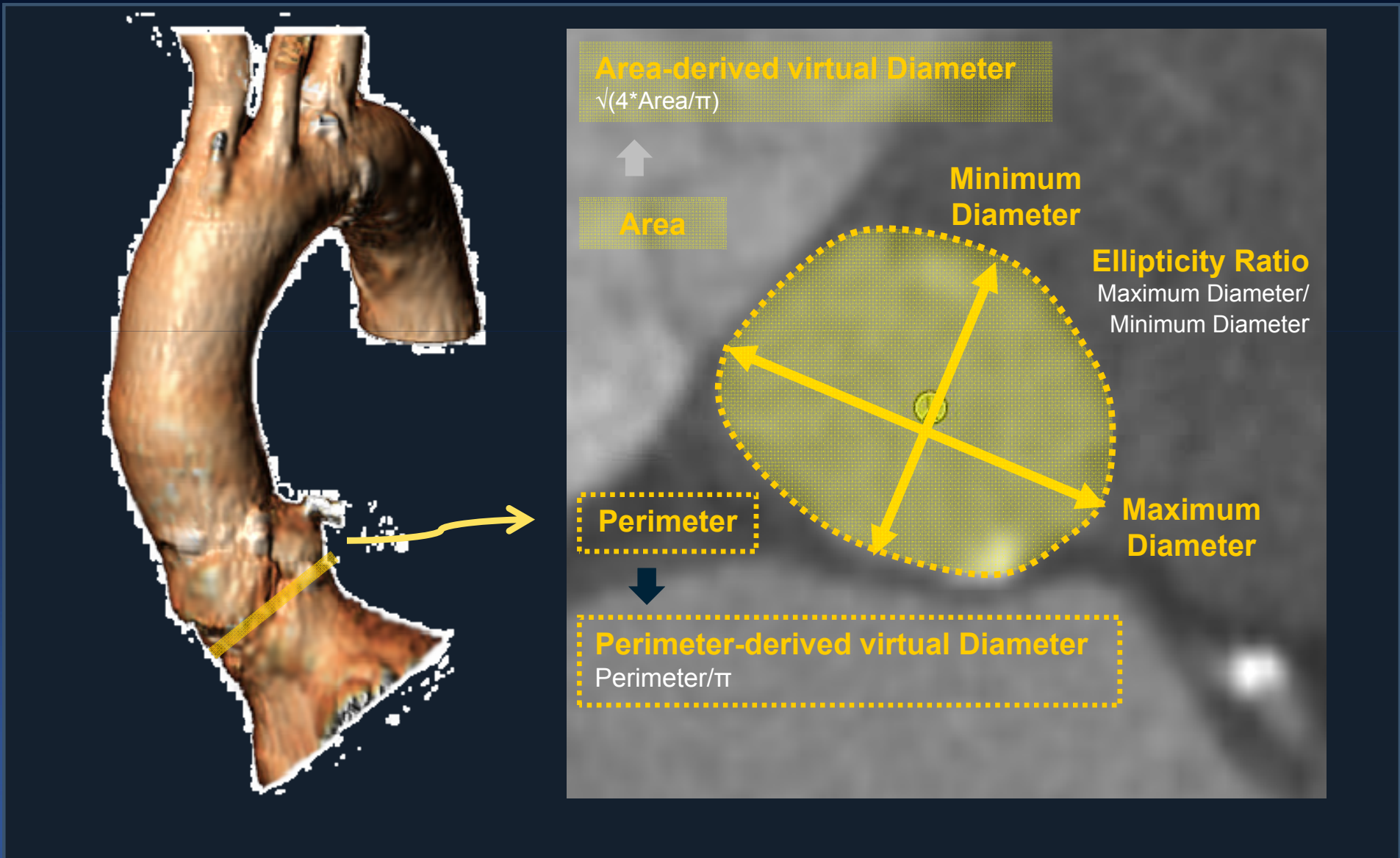


Basal Ring



Oblique Sagittal Image

New CT Parameters



Reliability Comparison

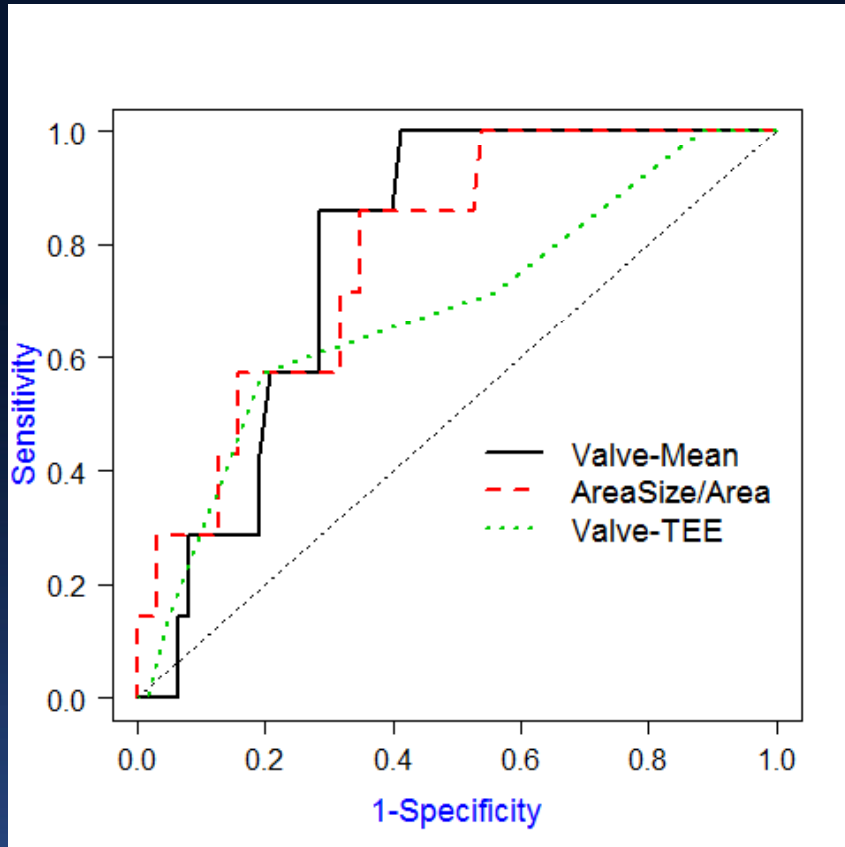
TEE vs. CT Variables (N=30, Preliminary AMC Data)

TEE

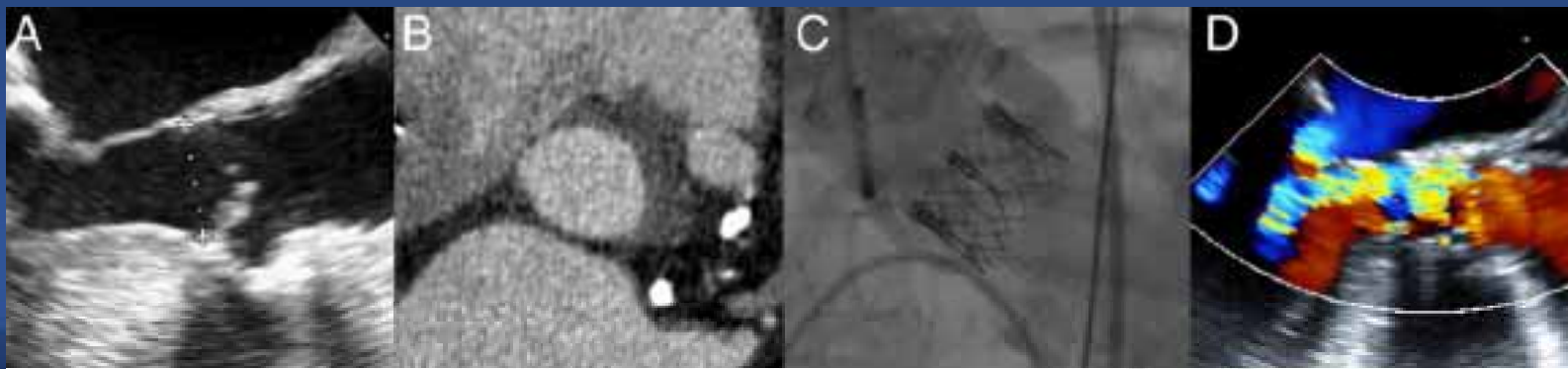
CT measurements for annulus are usually larger than TEE measurements. **CT perimeter & area measurements are most reproducible.**

by ICC (1)						
(2)	0.51 (0.40-0.62)	0.93 (0.84-0.97)	0.95 (0.88-0.97)	0.96 (0.89-0.99)	0.93 (0.83-0.96)	0.95 (0.86-0.98)

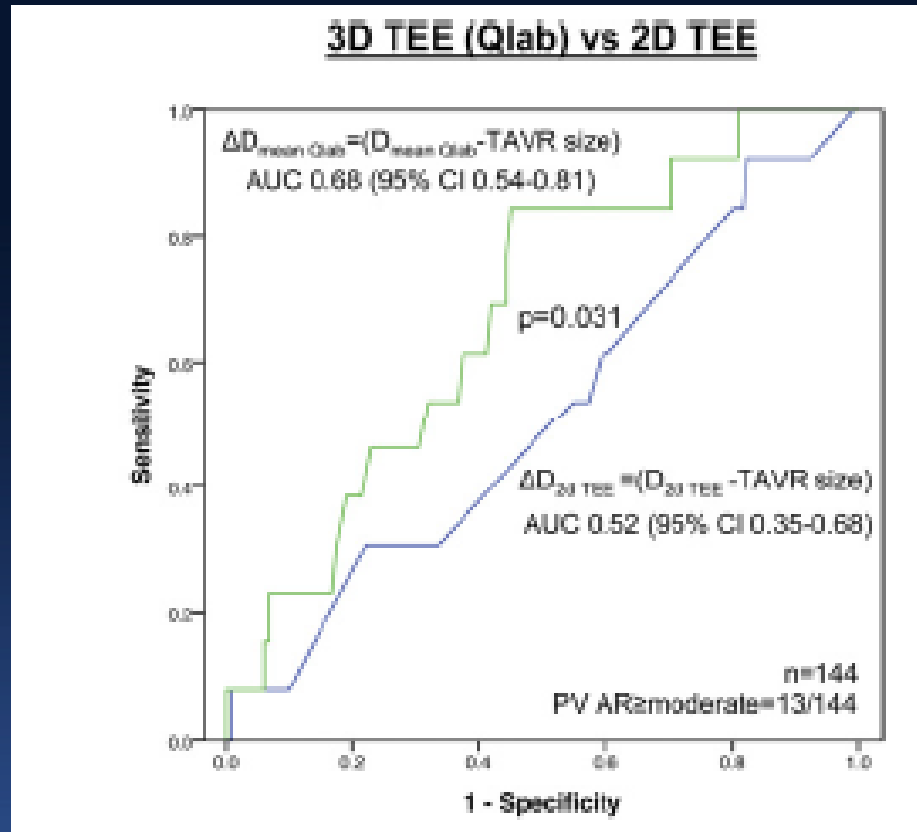
CT Measures Can Predict PVL



- Valve stent diameter – Mean annular diameter_{CT} = AUC 0.84
- Valve stent diameter – Area-derived annular diameter_{CT} = AUC 0.86
- Valve stent area/ Annular area_{CT} = AUC 0.87



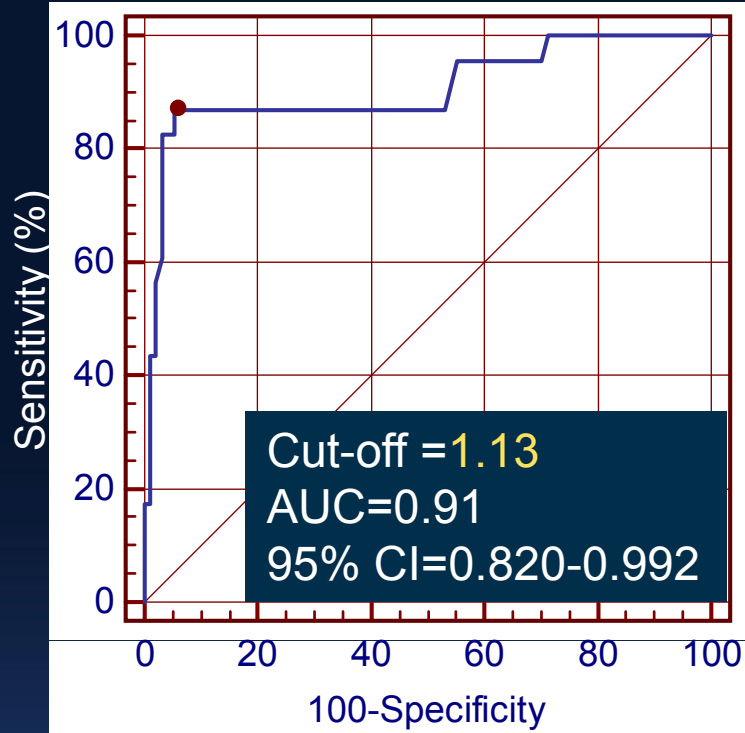
CT Annular Measures Appear more Predictive than 3-D Echo for PVL



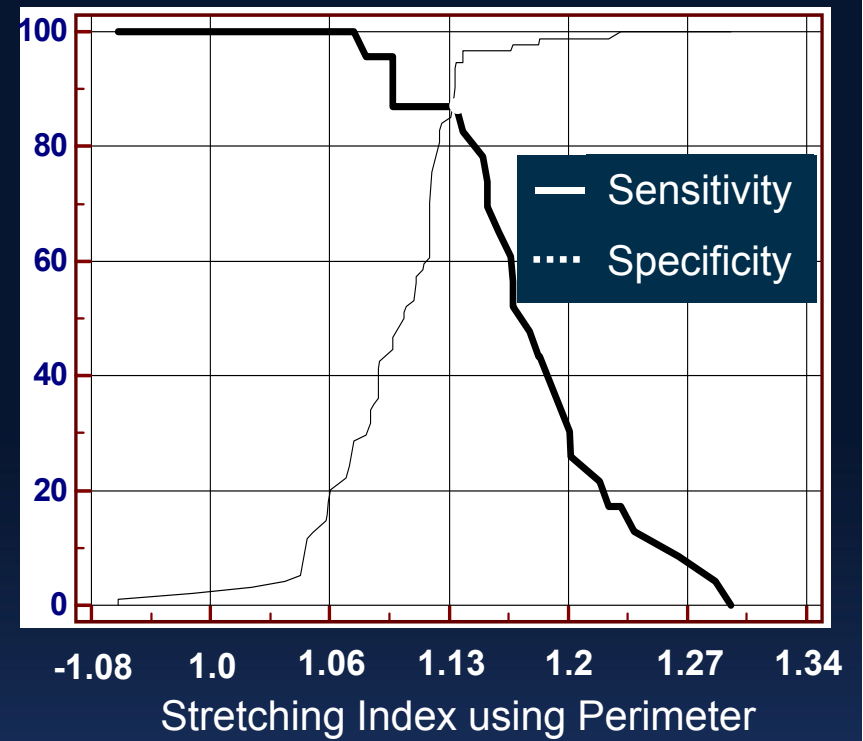
- CT Dmean – Annulus AUC = 0.82
- 3D TEE Mean – Annulus AUC = 0.68
- 2D TEE AUC = 0.52



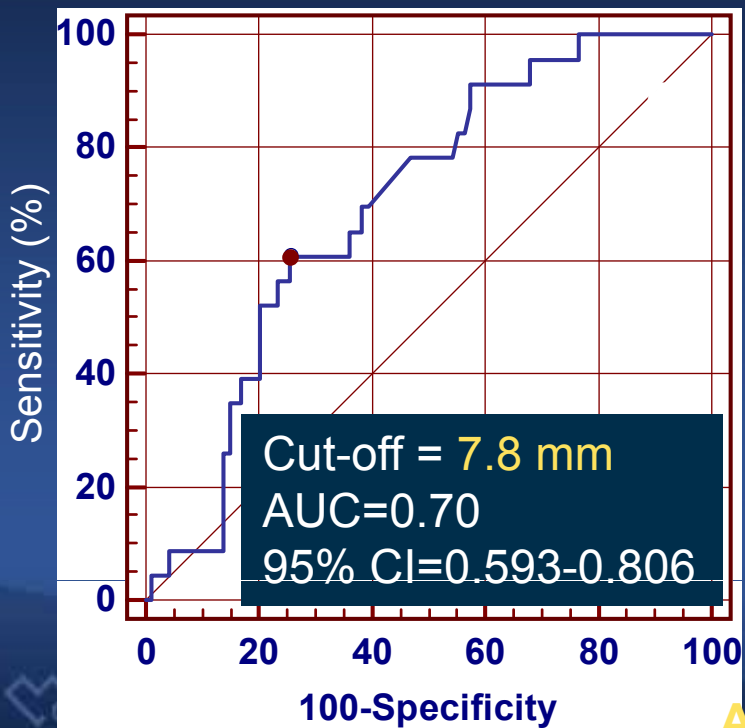
Stretching Index vs. PPM



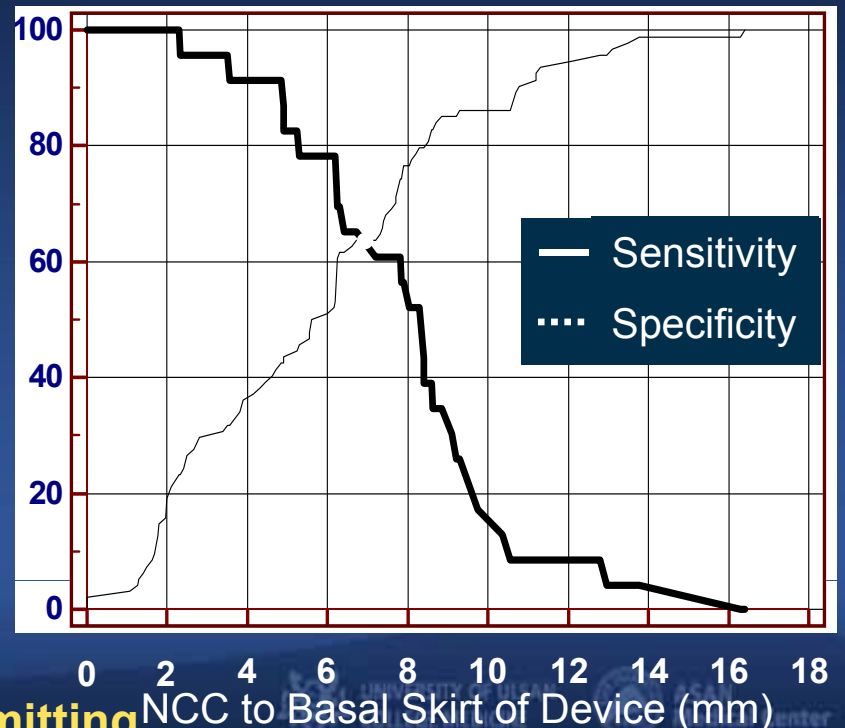
Sensitivity 86.96%
Specificity 94.68%
PPV 80%
NPV 96.74%
Accuracy 93.2%



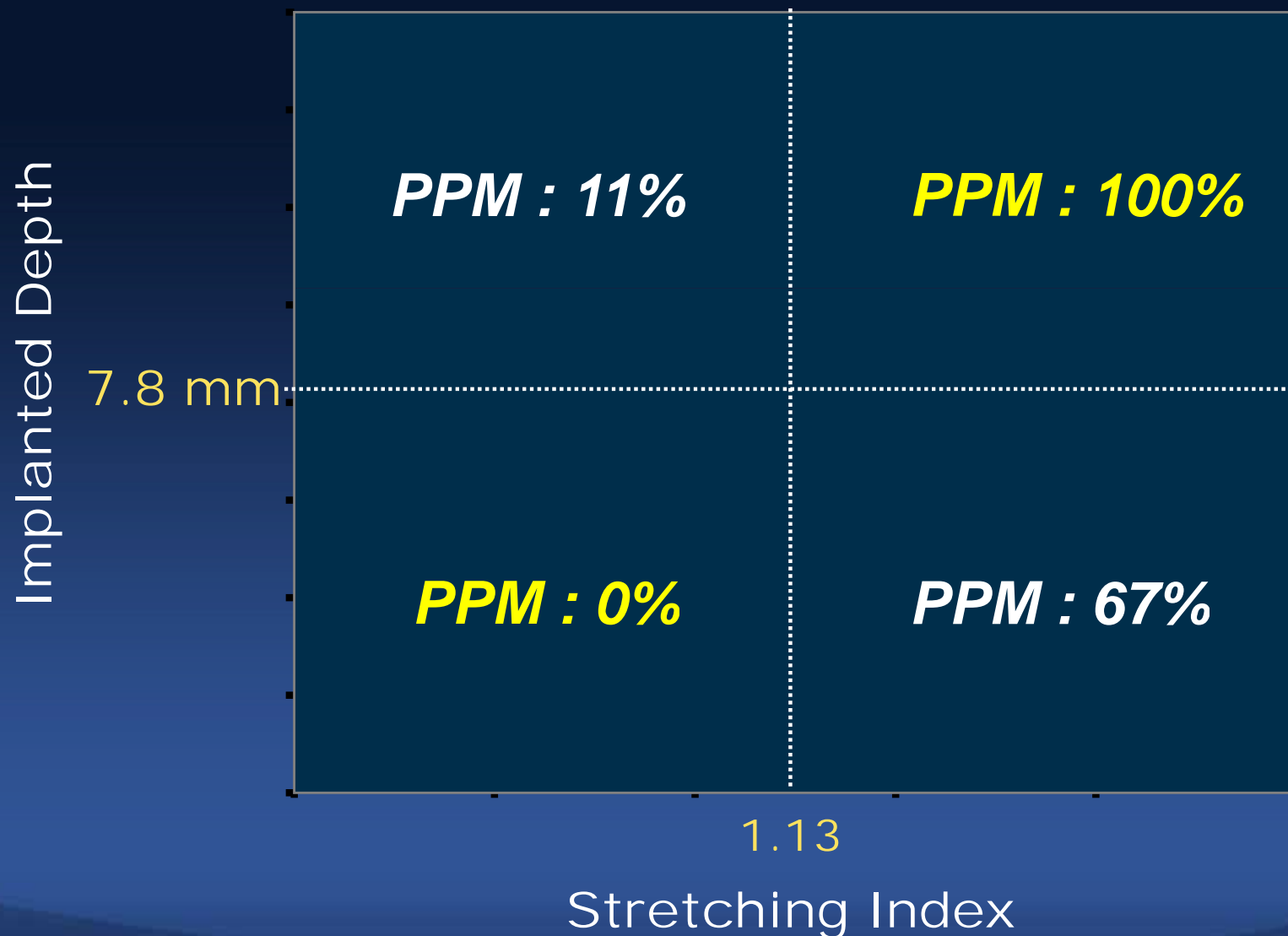
Depth vs. PPM



Sensitivity 60.87%
Specificity 74.47%
PPV 35.14%
NPV 87.5%
Accuracy 70.94%



Best Combination for Prevention of Permanent Pacemaker



Logistic regression $p < 0.0001$, AUC 0.97, 95% CI=0.94-0.99

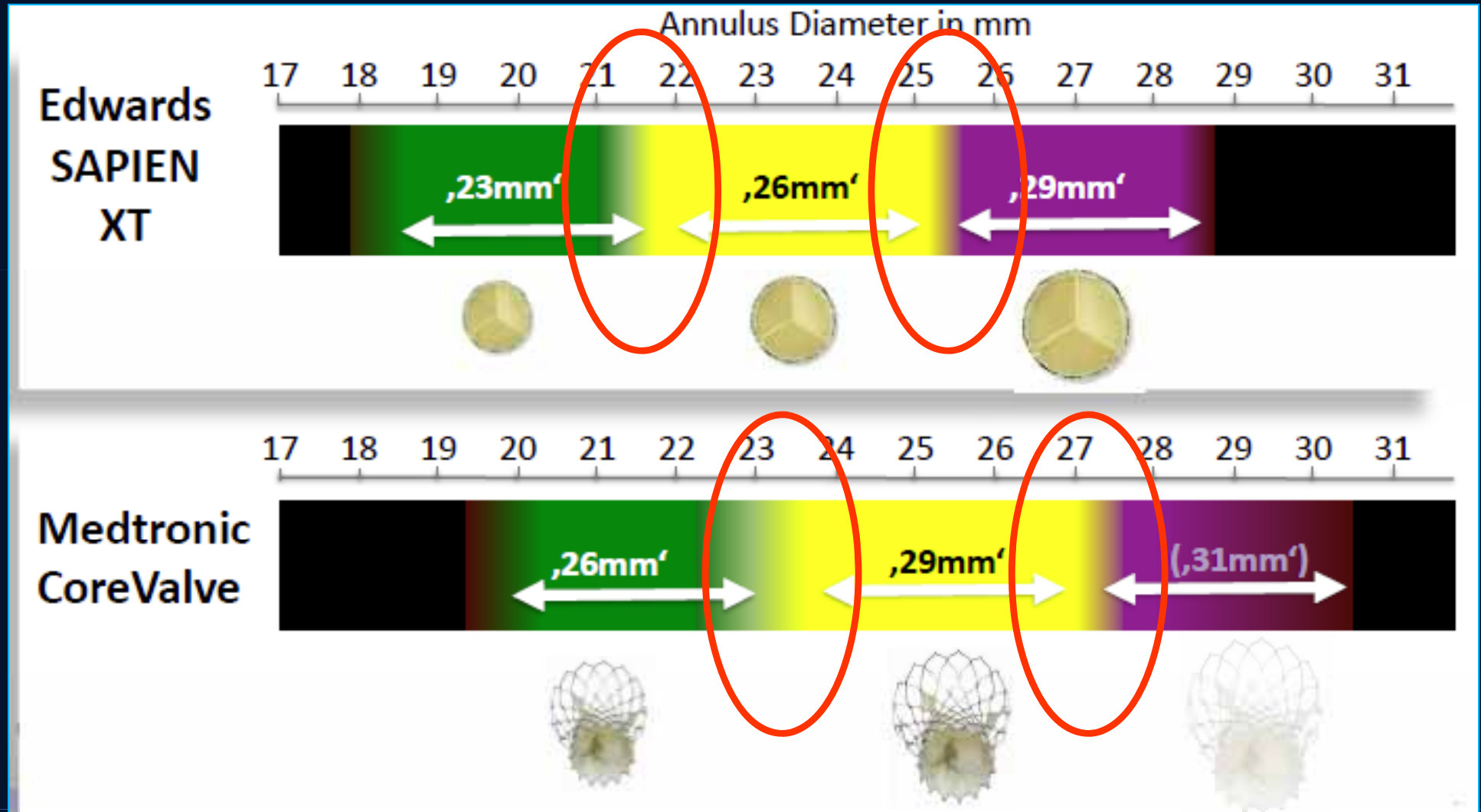
Predictors of aortic root rupture

	Univariate		Multivariable	
	Odds Ratio (95%CI)	P value	Odds Ratio (95%CI)	P value
LVOT calcifications moderate/severe	6.03 (2.35-15.45)	<0.001	12.45 (2.97-52.15)	0.001
Prosthesis oversizing \geq 20%	8.76 (3.19-24.09)	<0.001	23.17 (4.77- 45.71)	<0.001
Balloon post-dilation	9.00 (2.59-22.08)	0.001	10.40 (1.54-30.46)	0.016

Adjusted for gender, MDCT annular area, MDCT LVOT area, presence of MDCT LVOT moderate to severe calcification, presence of MDCT aortic valve moderate to severe calcification, presence of prosthesis oversizing \geq 20%, MDCT SV maximal diameter, and balloon post-dilation.

Annular Sizing for TAVR

Measurement of Annulus Dimensions



CT Sizing for CoreValve

Valve Size	Diameter	Perimeter	Cover Index
31mm	29mm	91.1	6.45%
31mm	28mm	88	10.30%
31mm	27mm	84.8	12.90%
31mm	26mm	81.7	16.13%
29mm	27mm	84.8	6.90%
29mm	26mm	81.7	10.30%
29mm	25mm	78.5	13.80%
29mm	24mm	75.4	17.20%
26mm	23mm	72.3	11.50%
26mm	22mm	69.1	15.40%
26mm	21mm	66	19.20%
26mm	20mm	62.8	23.10%

CT Sizing for Edwards Valve

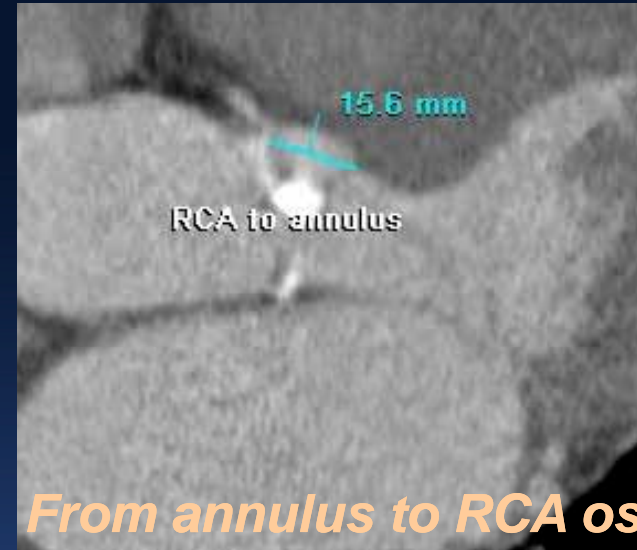
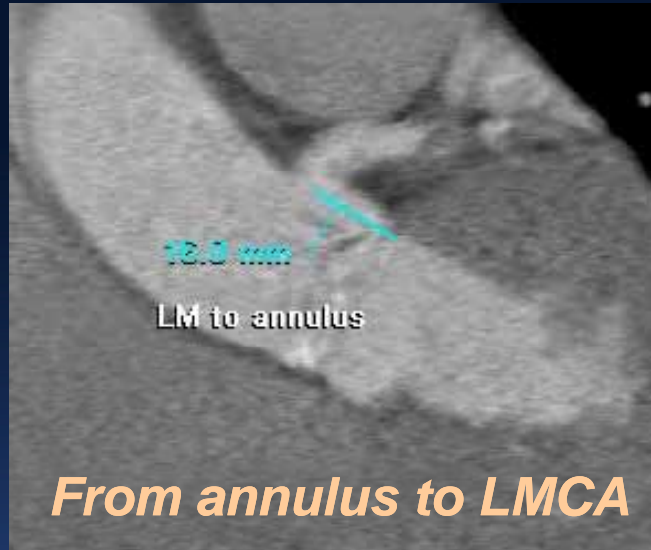
Annular Area (mm²)	Edwards valve size (mm)
230 - 300	20
310 - 320	20 or 23
330 - 400	23
410	23 or 26
420 - 510	26
520	26 or 29
530 - 660	29

Derived from UBC, Vancouver

Impact of Underfilling on Expansion In Vitro

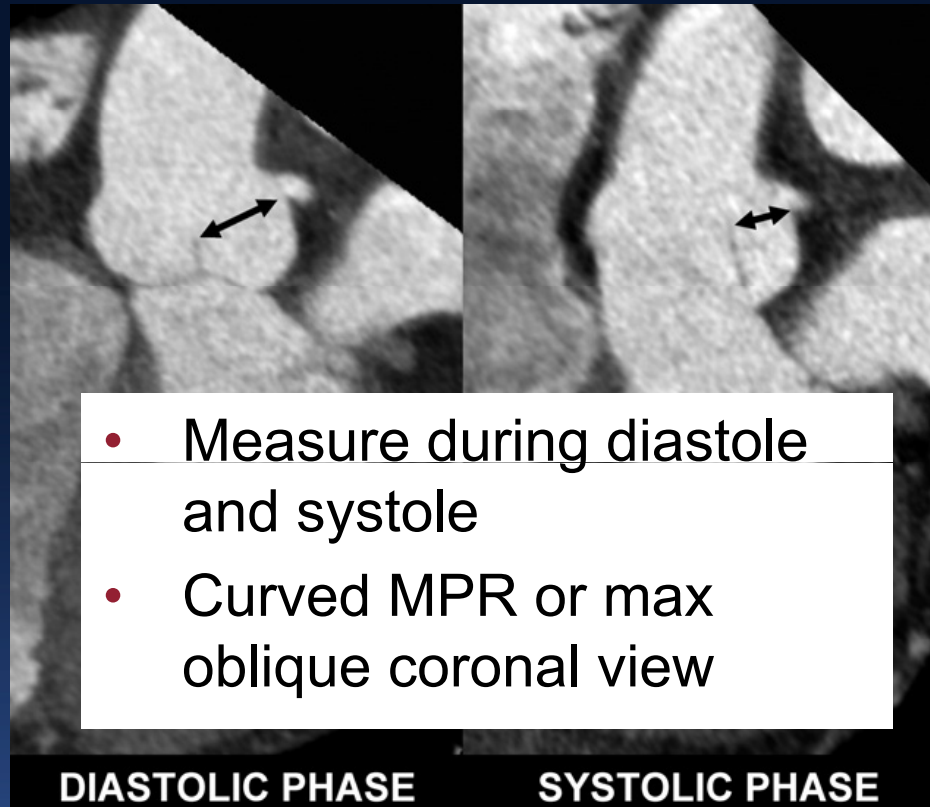
	Balloon	1 ml	2 ml	3 ml	4 ml
	volume	underfilled	underfilled	underfilled	underfilled
Novaflex					
20-mm THV	11 ml	-9.1%	-18.2%*	-27.3%*	-36.4%*
23-mm THV	17 ml	-5.9%	-11.8%	-17.6%*	-23.5%*
26-mm THV	22 ml	-4.5%	-9.0%	-13.6%	-18.2%*
29-mm THV	33 ml	-3.0%	-6.1%	-9.1%	-12.1%
Ascendra					
23-mm THV	16 ml	-6.3%	-12.5%	-18.8%*	-25.0%*
26-mm THV	20 ml	-5.0%	-10.0%	-15.0%	-20.0%*
29-mm THV	30 ml	-3.3%	-6.7%	-10.0%	-13.3%

Aortic Root Anatomy and Distances



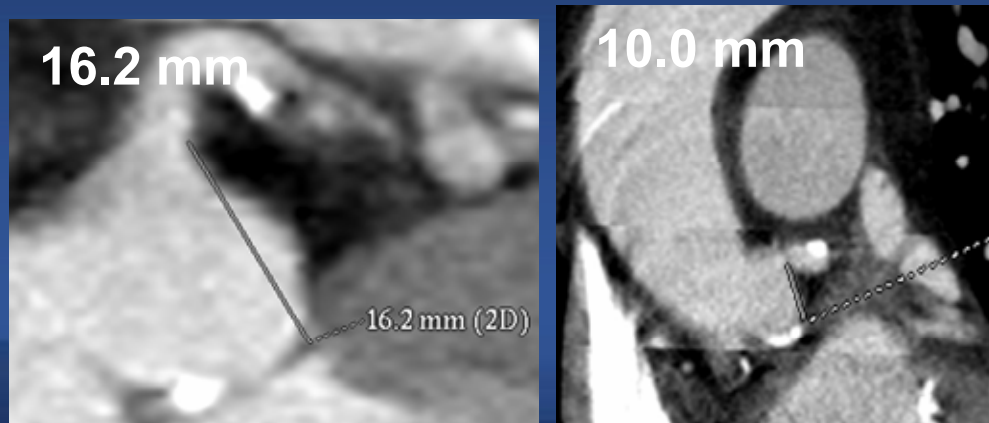
	Width	Height	For annulus diameter	Height of skirt
Edward SAPIEN XT™	23mm	14.3mm	18-22mm	10.1/7.74mm
	26mm	17.2mm	21-25mm	11.4/8.67mm
CoreValve Revalving™	26mm	53mm	20-23mm	12mm
	29mm	55mm	23-27mm	12mm

Left main height



Potential Mechanisms of Coronary Ostial Obstruction

- **Impingement** of ostia by THV support structure
- **High positioning** of sealing cuff
- **Embolization** of atheroma, calcium, thrombus, air or vegetation
- **Oversizing** of THV
- **Dissection** of aortic root
- **Displacement** of native aortic leaflets towards coronary ostia



Recommended annulus to ostial height: > 10 mm for Sapien 23 and > 11 mm for Sapien 26

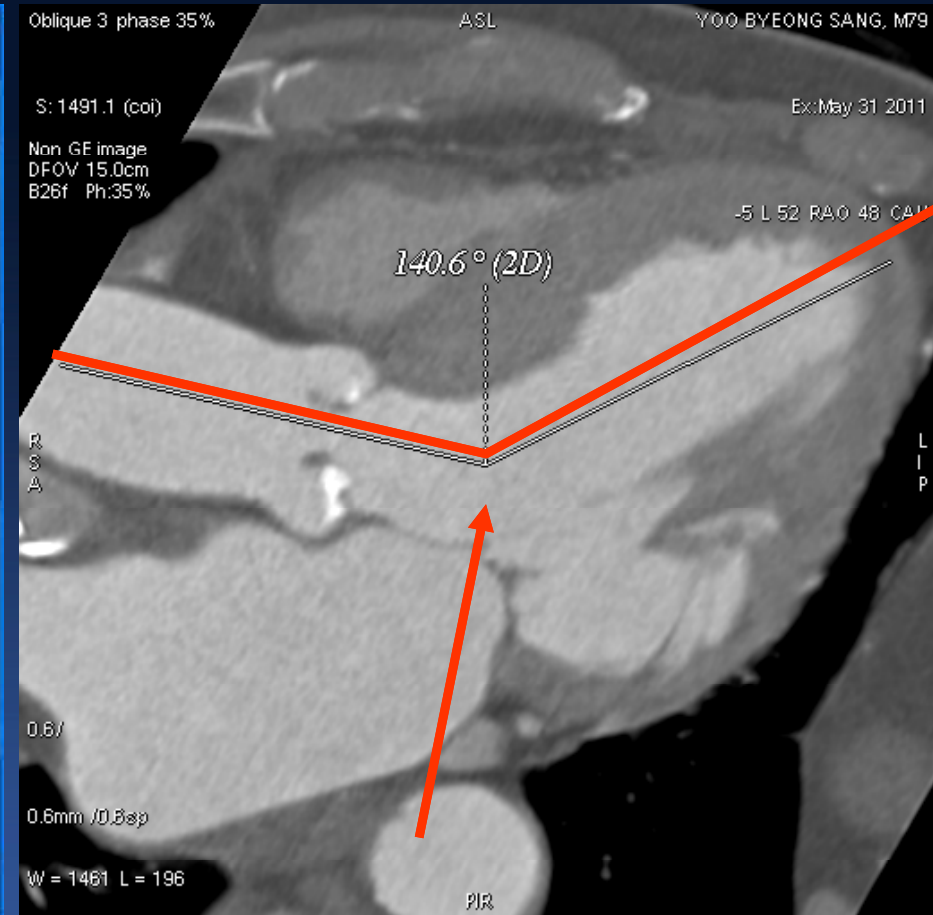
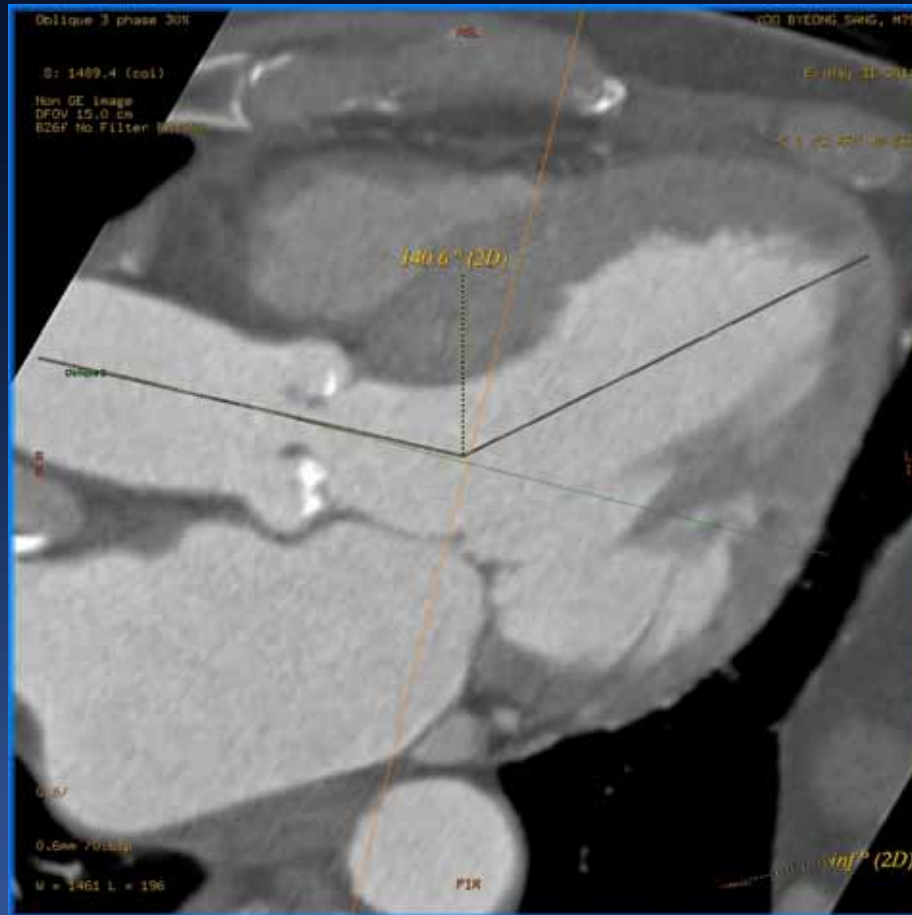
Coronary Height



Bicuspid AV



Navigator For Transapical Approach



Direction of Puncture or Wire

Aortic Valve Morphology & Amount of Calcium

Scanty calcium

Heavy eccentric calcium

Echocardiographic findings

Calcificated structure is enemy of Echo

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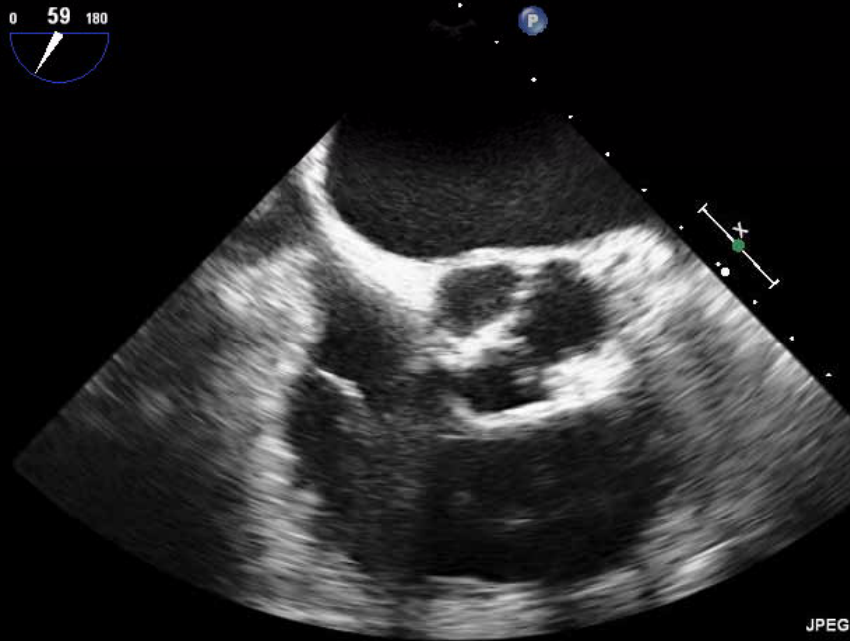
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2D
68%
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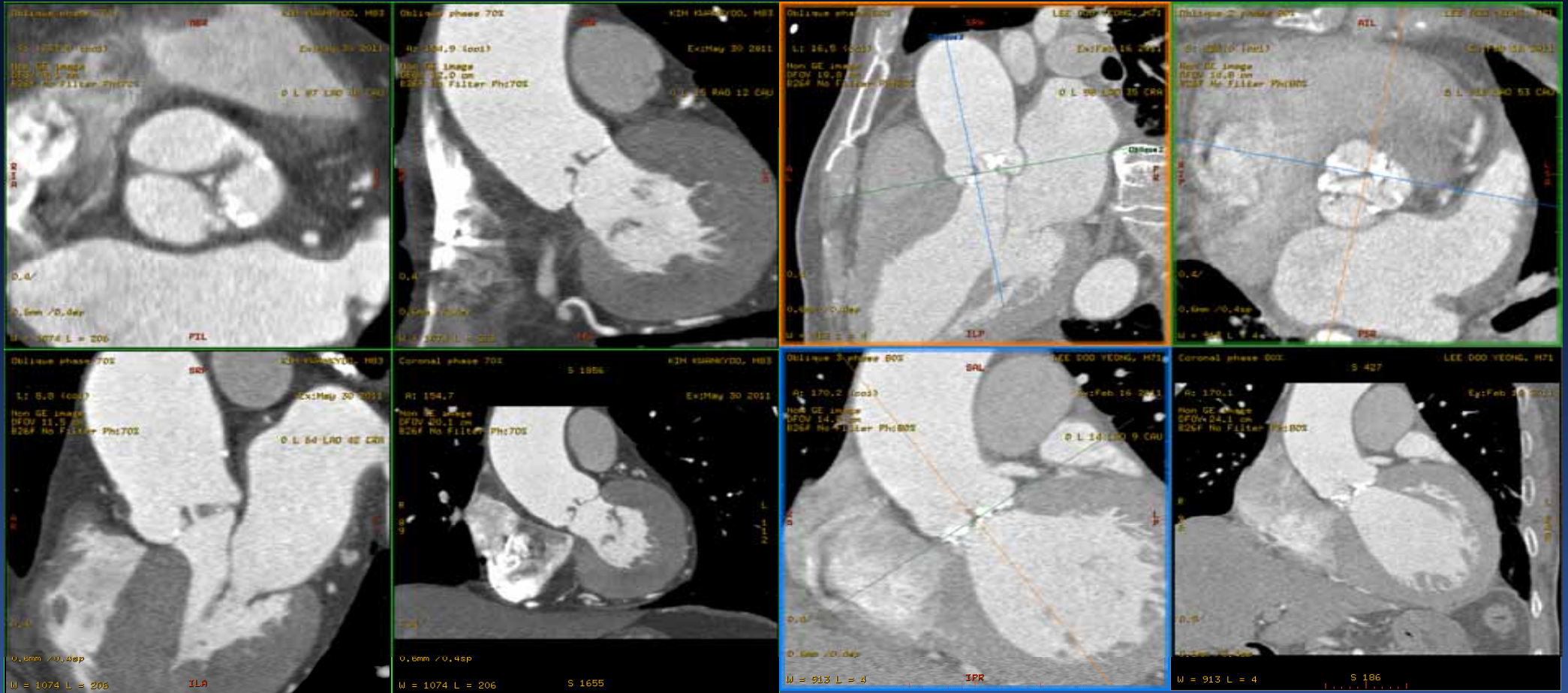


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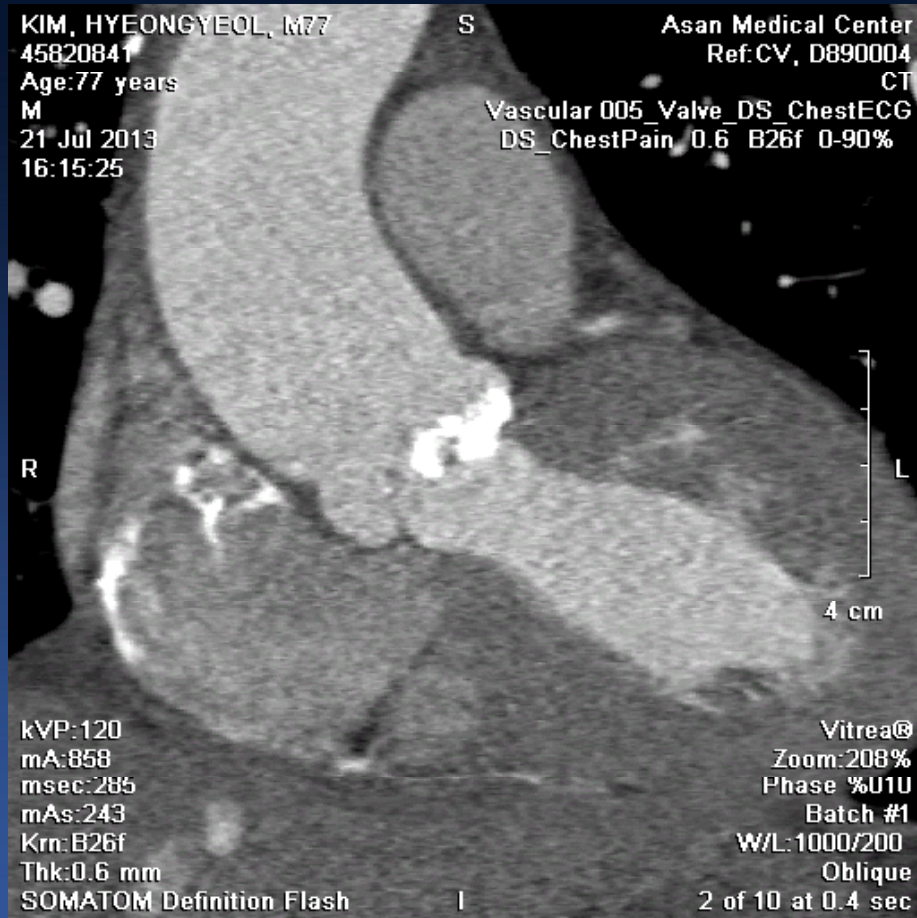
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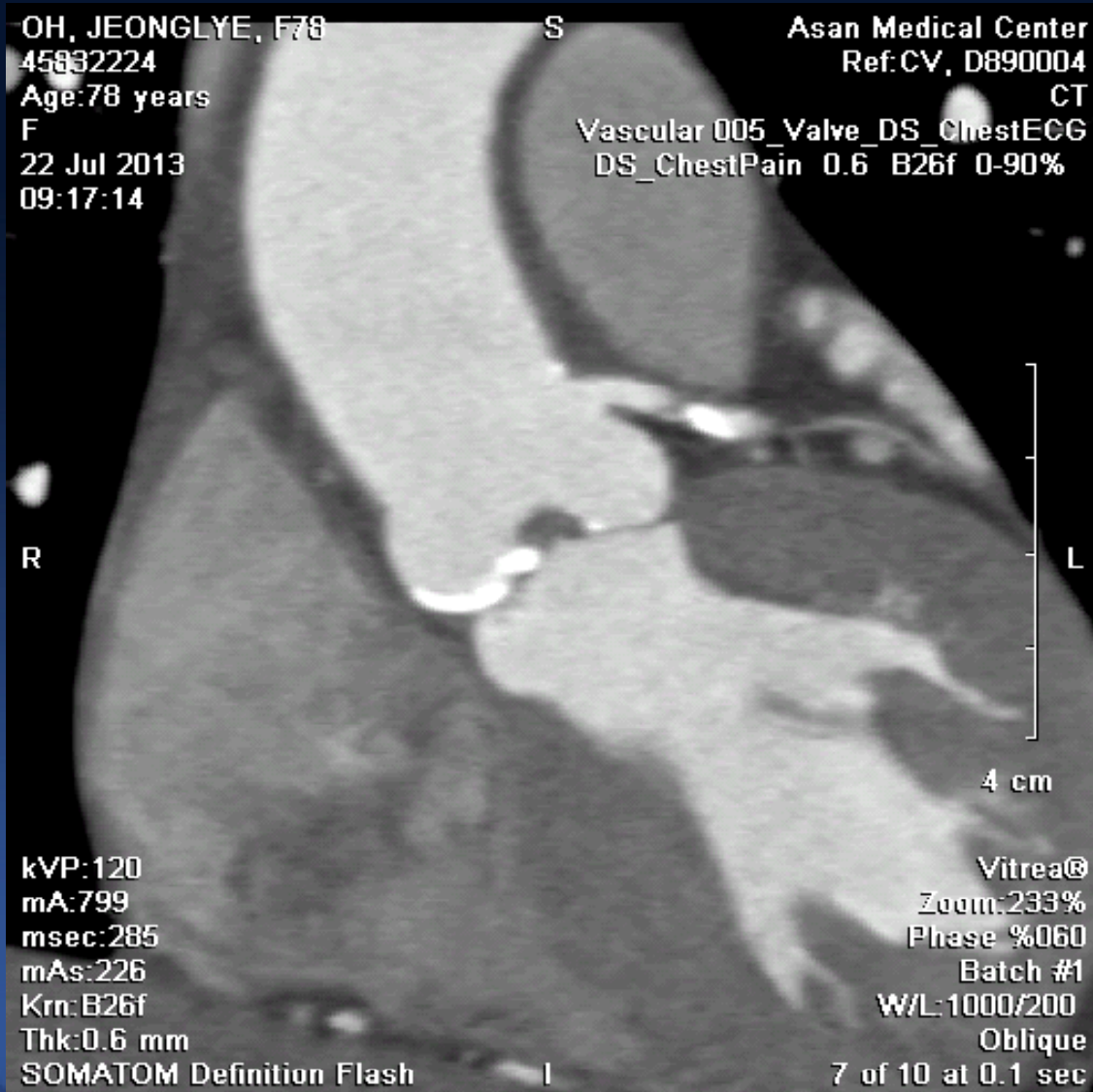
Scanty of Calcium

Heavy Eccentric Calcium

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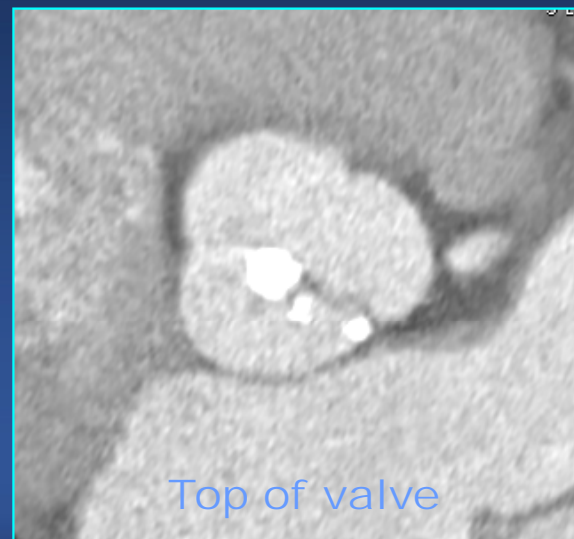
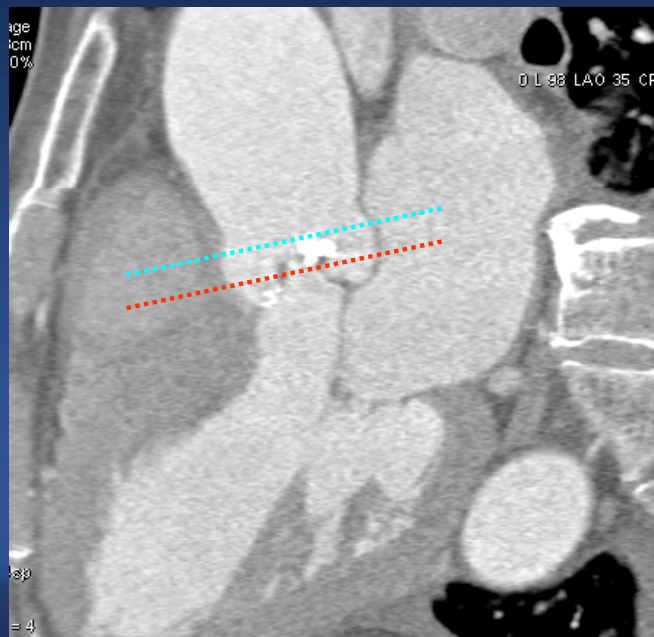
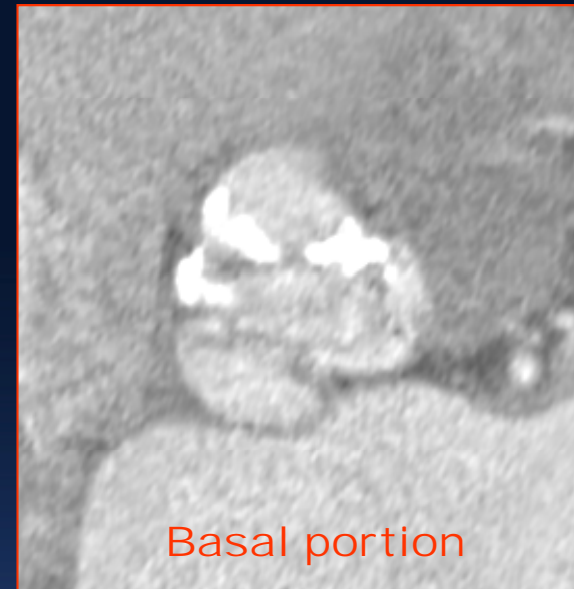
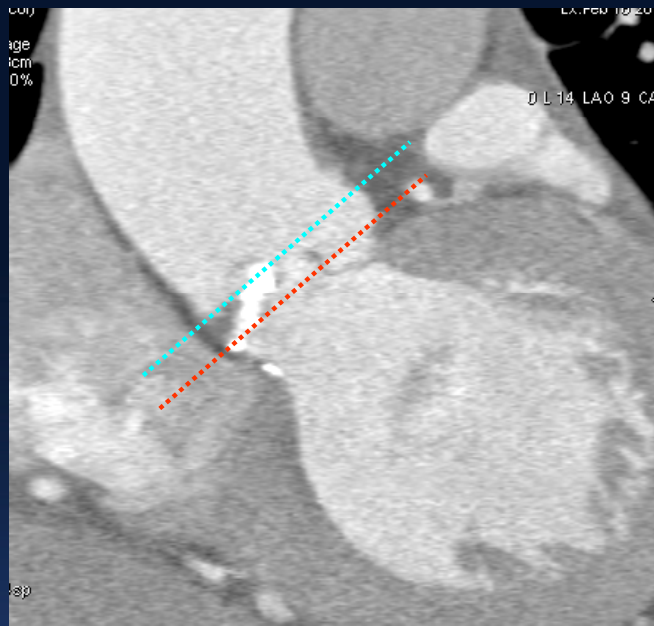


Heavy Eccentric Calcium



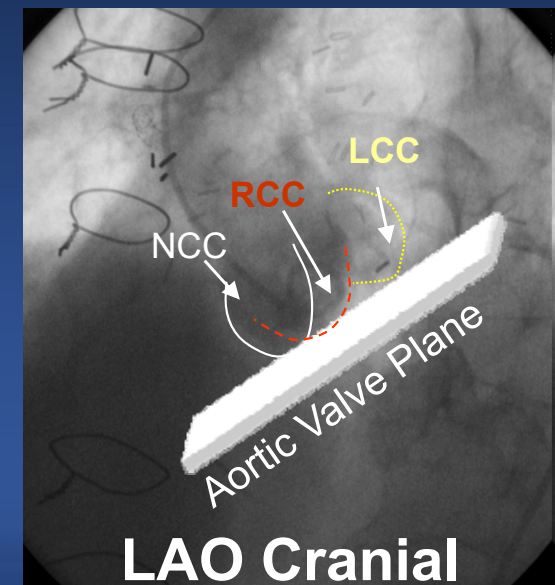
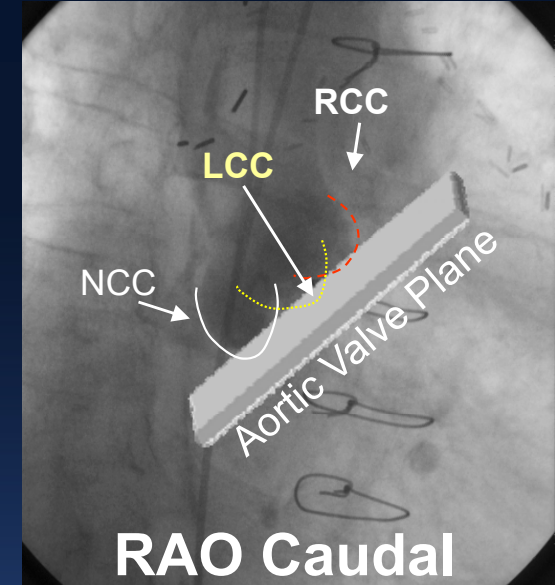
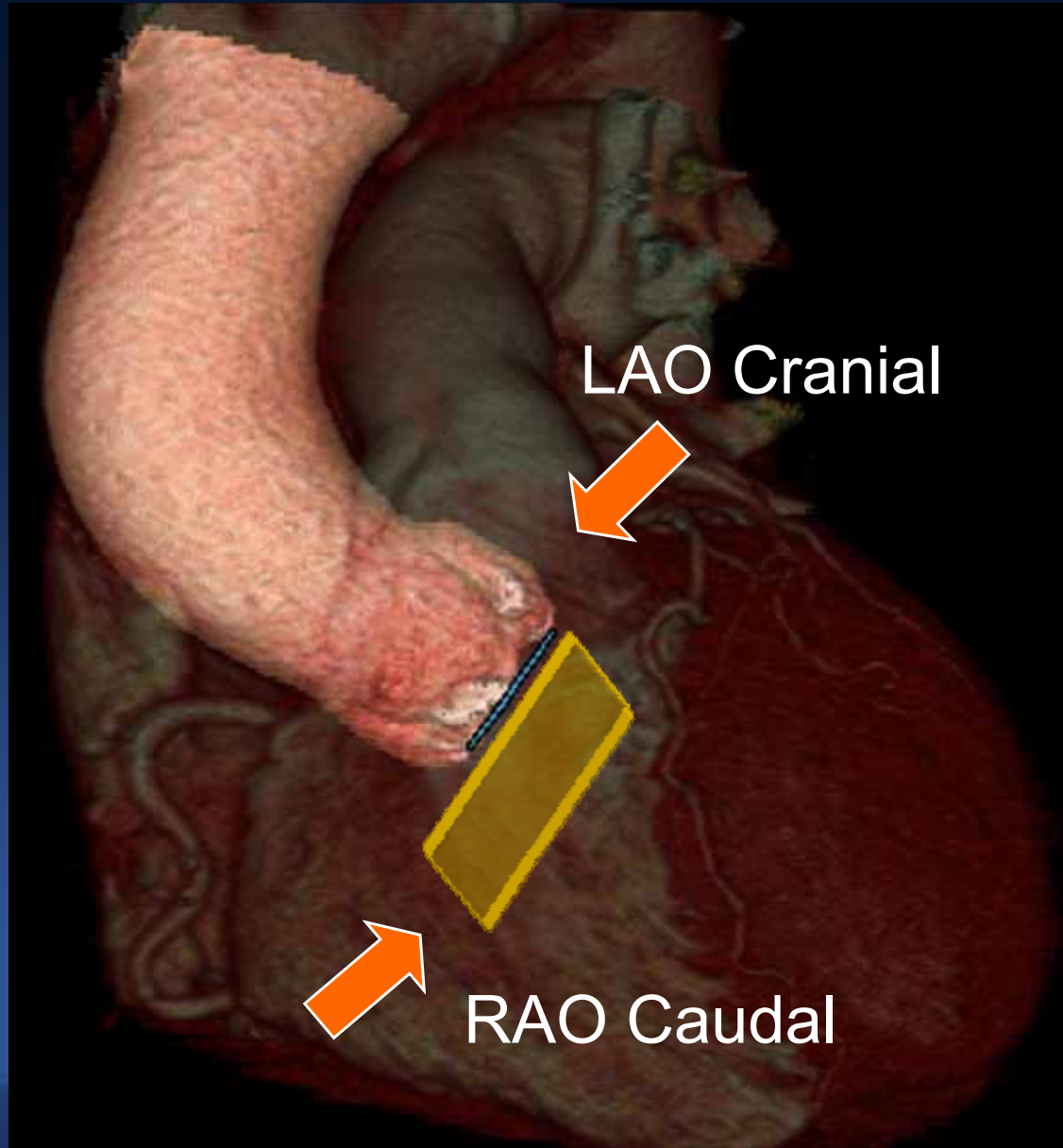
23 mm Edward Valve

Heavy Eccentric Calcium: Extent

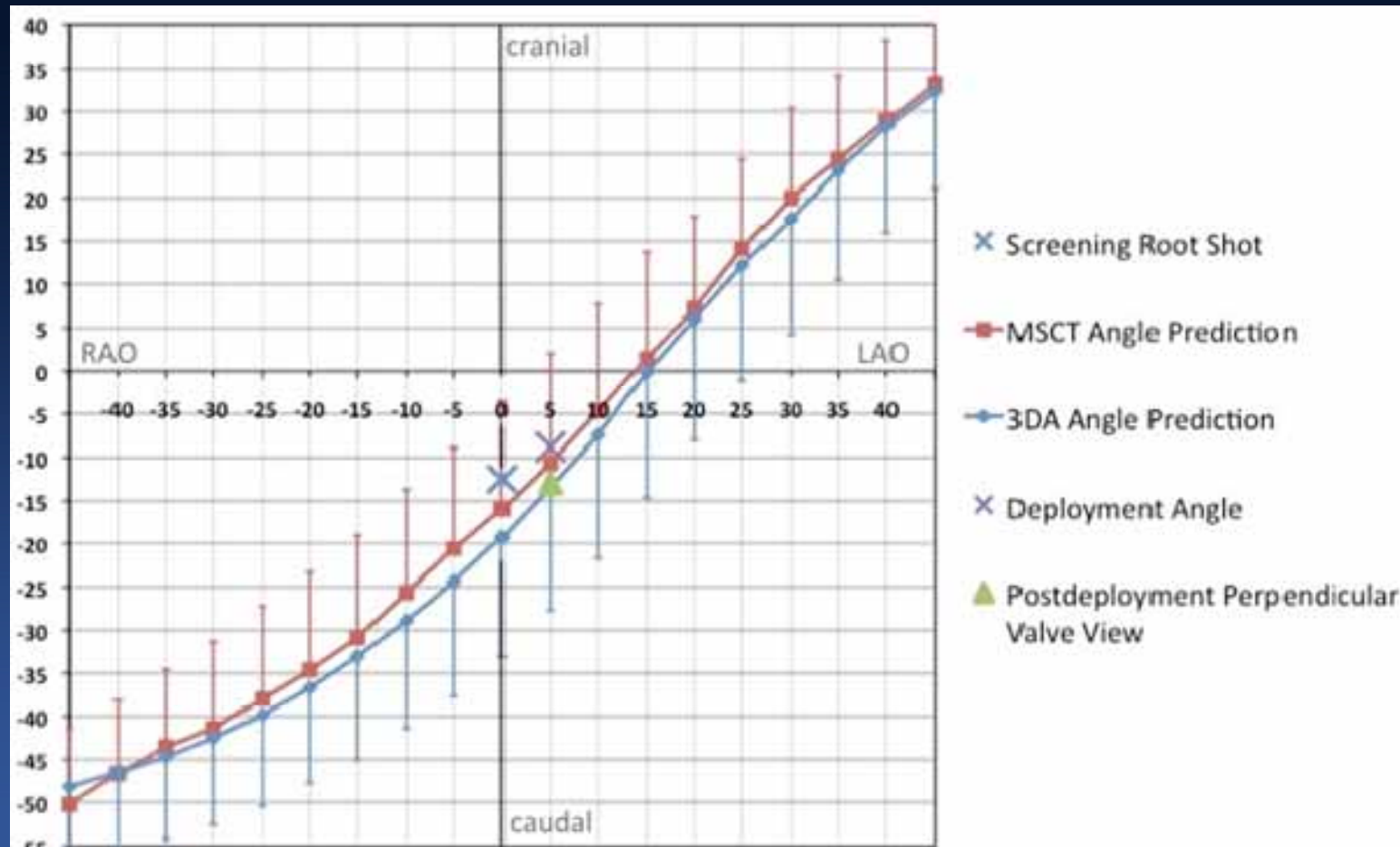


Valve positioning

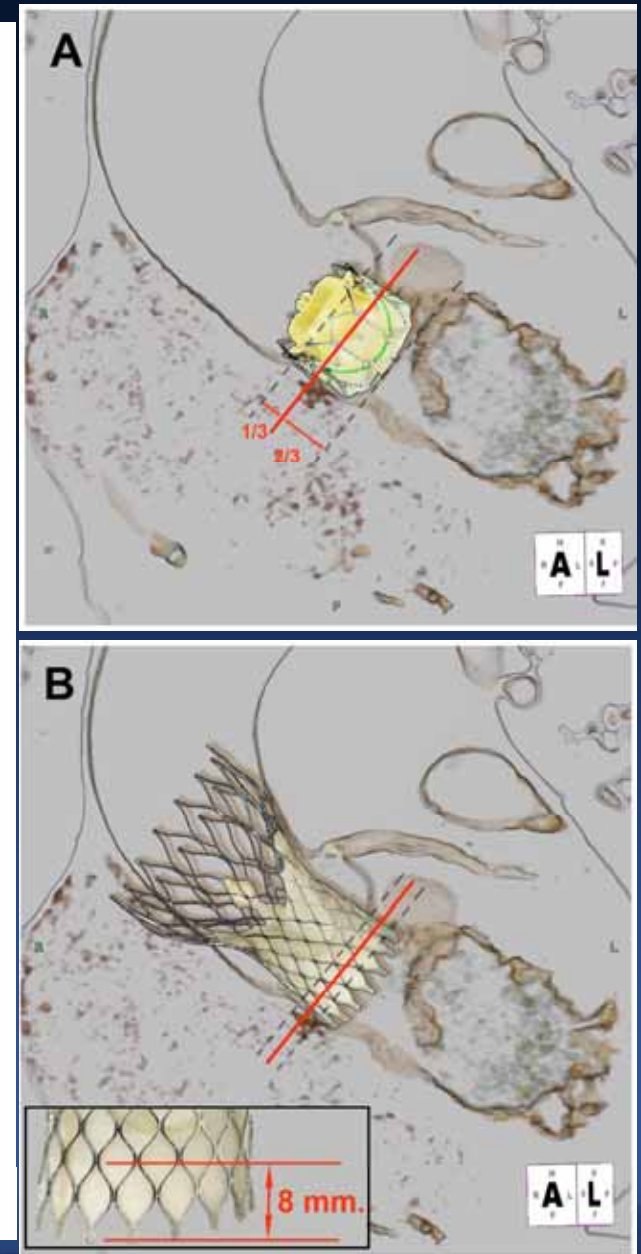
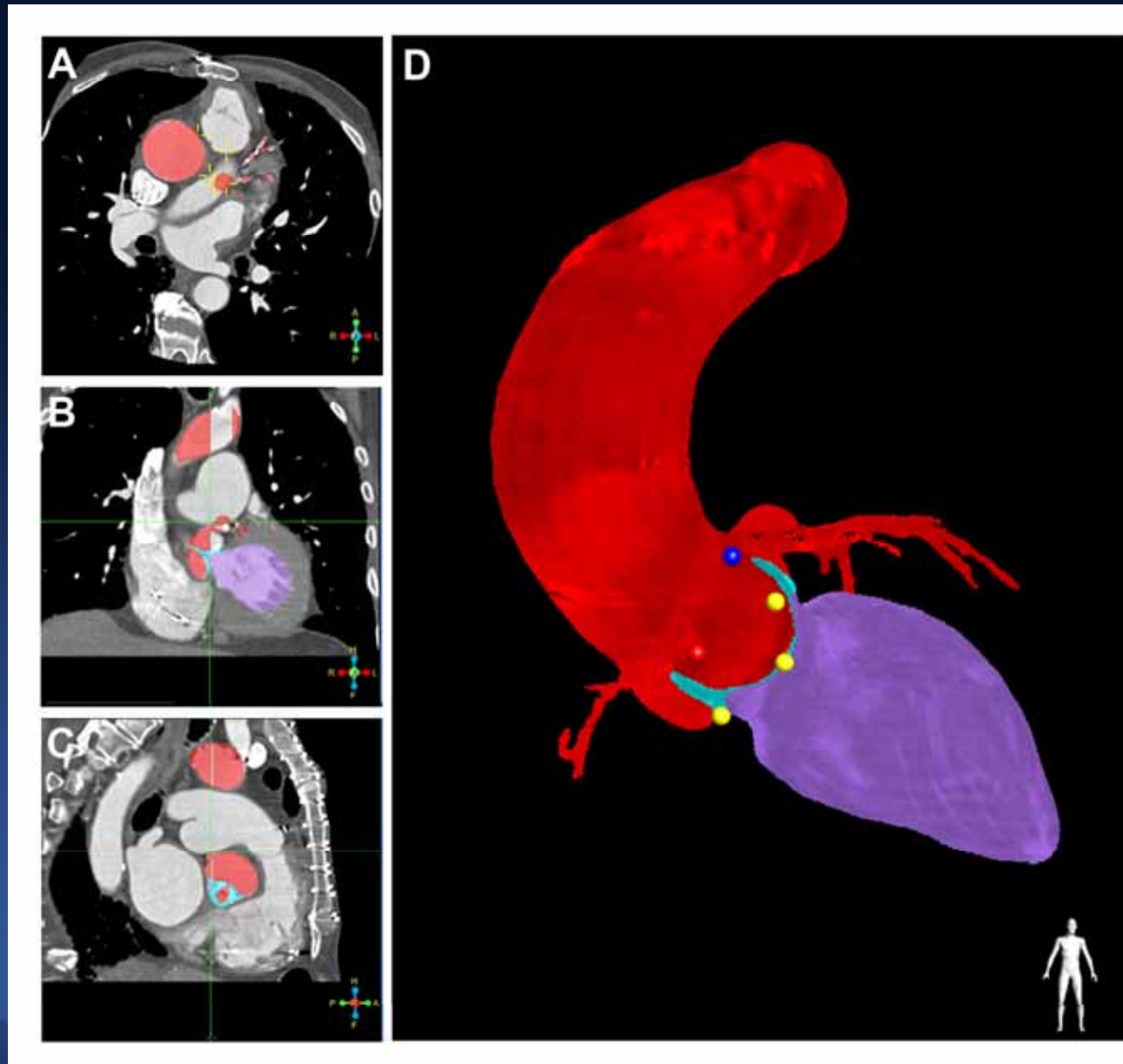
Aortic Valve Plane by CT Scan



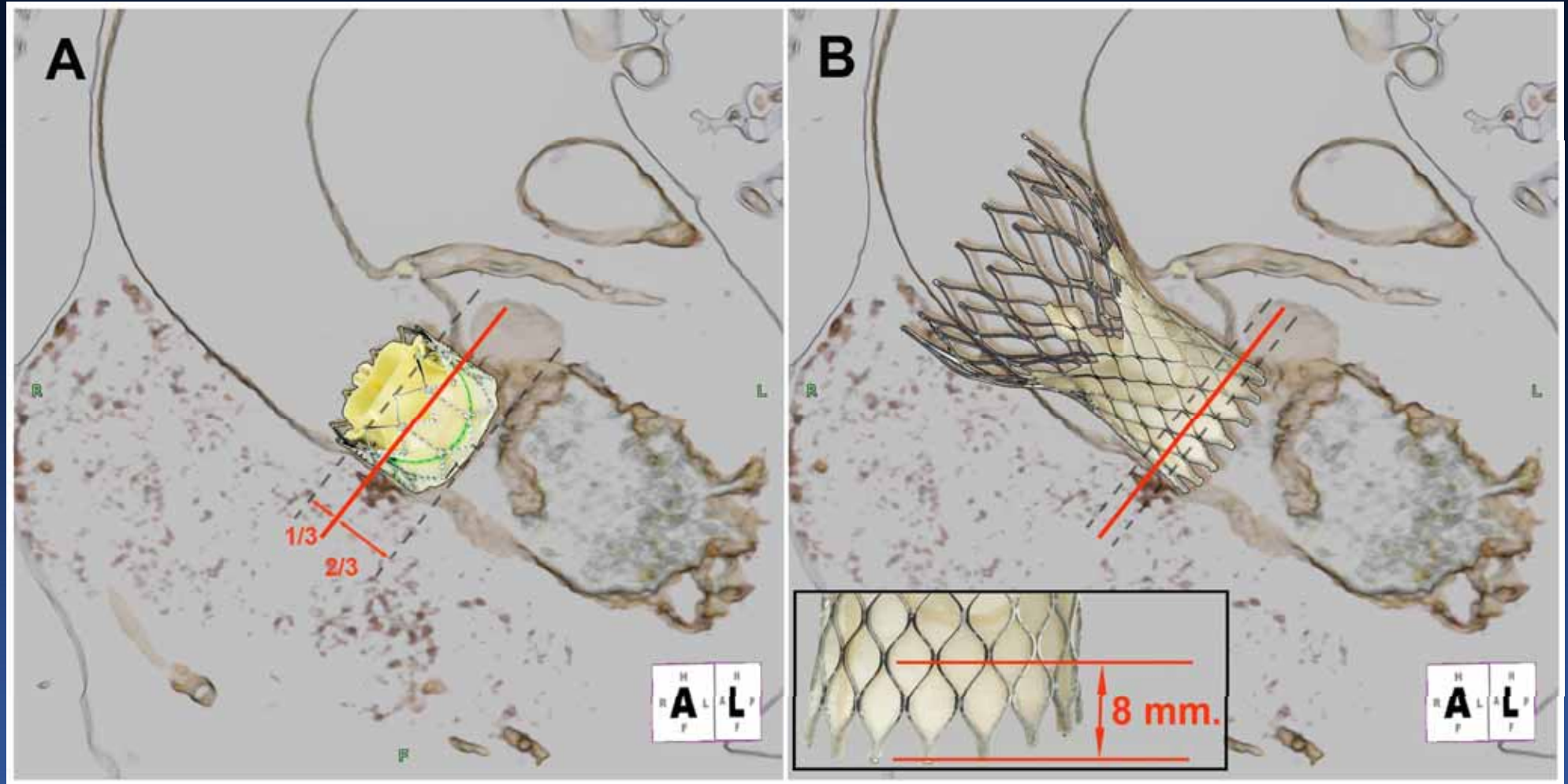
CT vs 3-D Angio CT for Angle Prediction



Valve Placement



Assisting with Valve Positioning

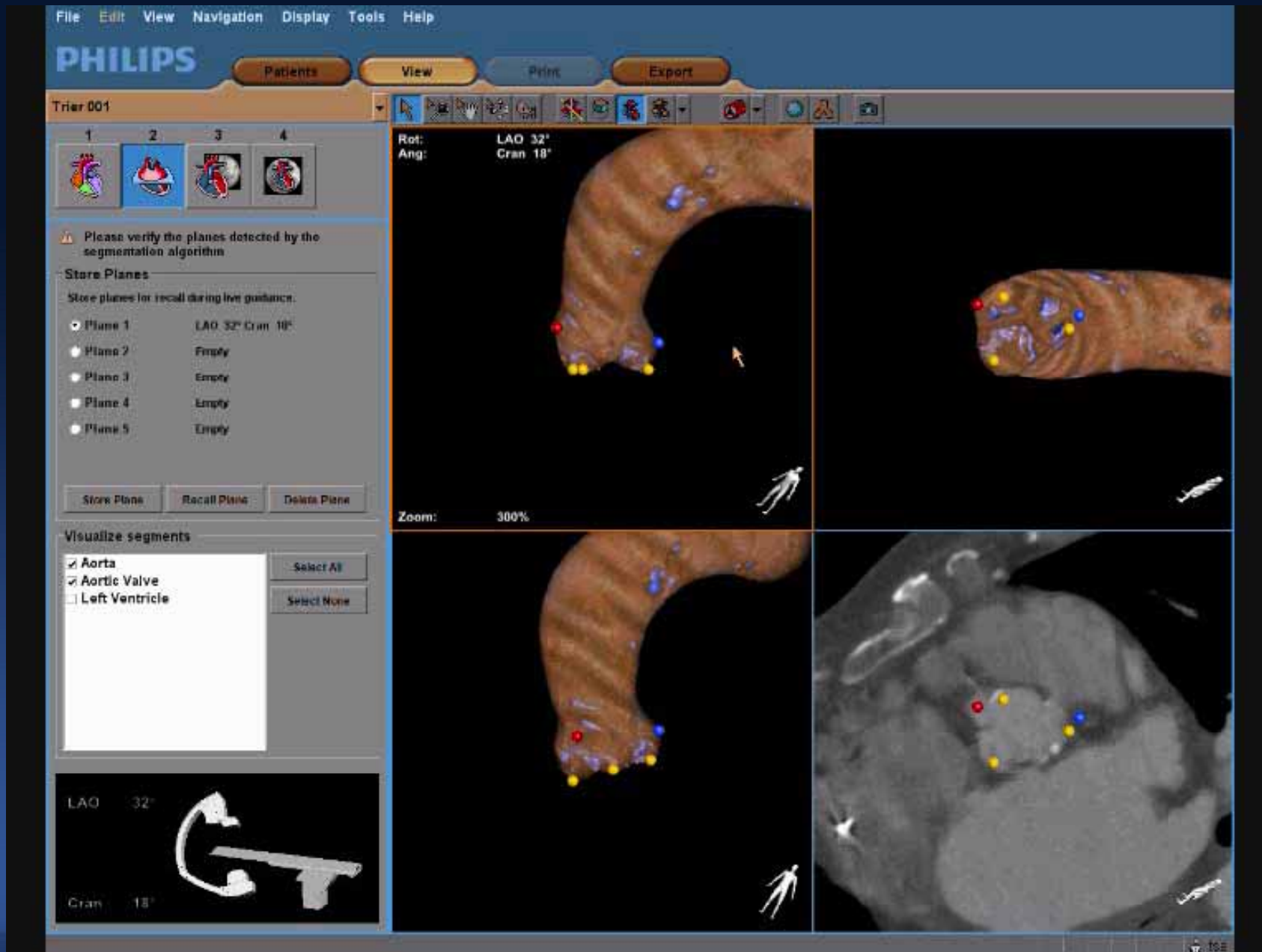


DynaCT Image Acquisition with rapid pacing



Courtesy Siemens Systems

Merged Imaging Tools



Courtesy by Philips

Valve deployment under DynaCT



Edwards SAPIEN



CoreValve

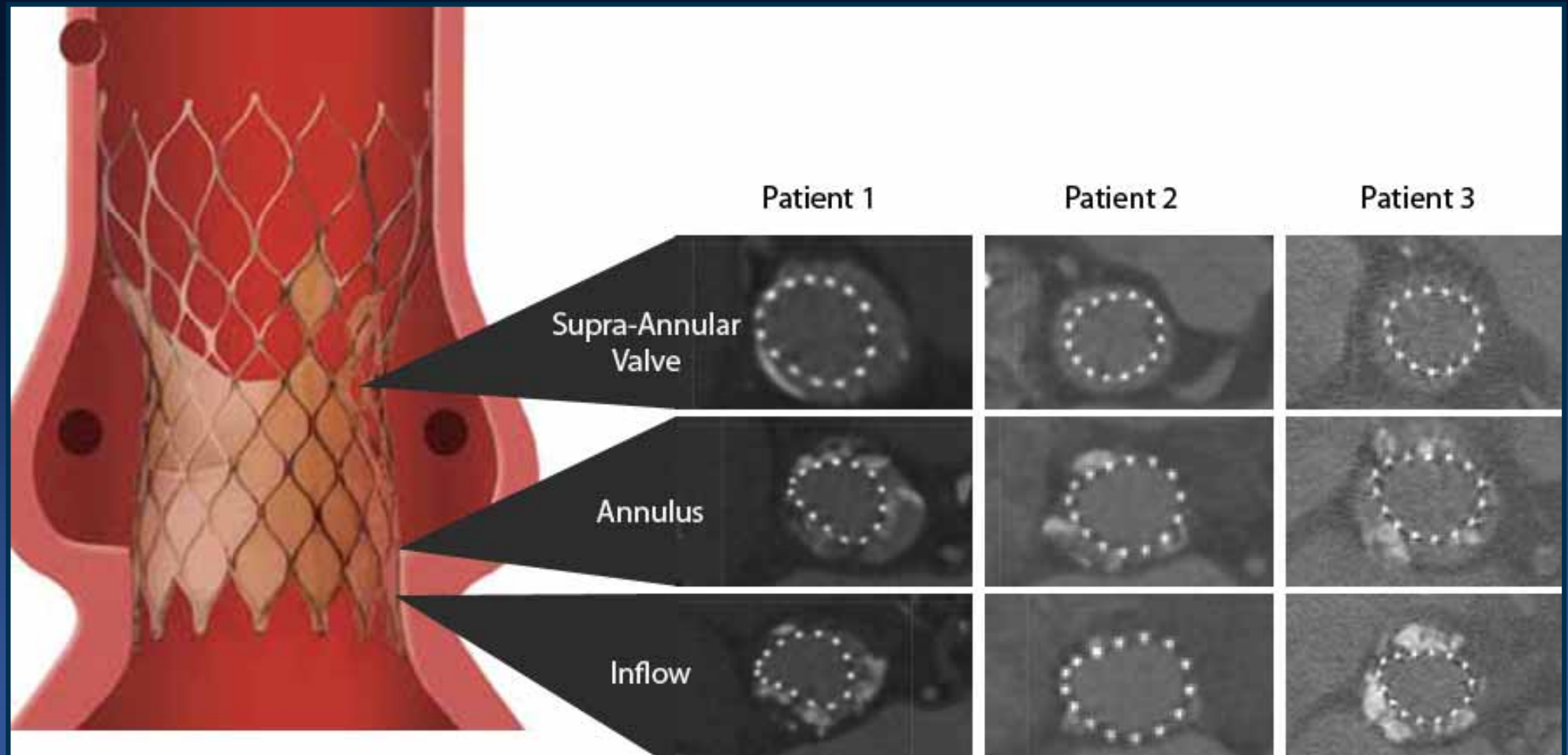
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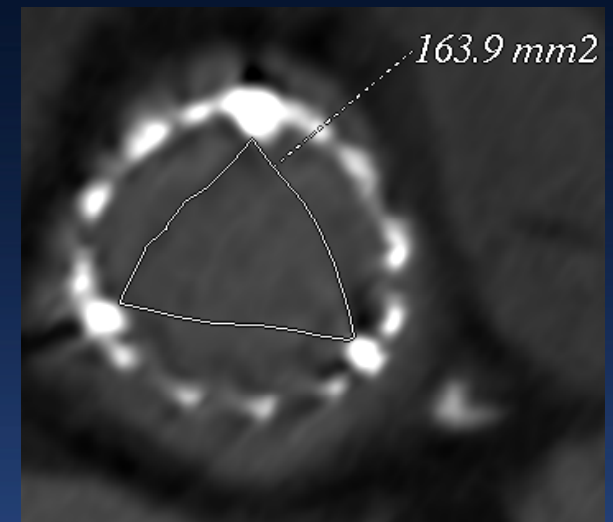
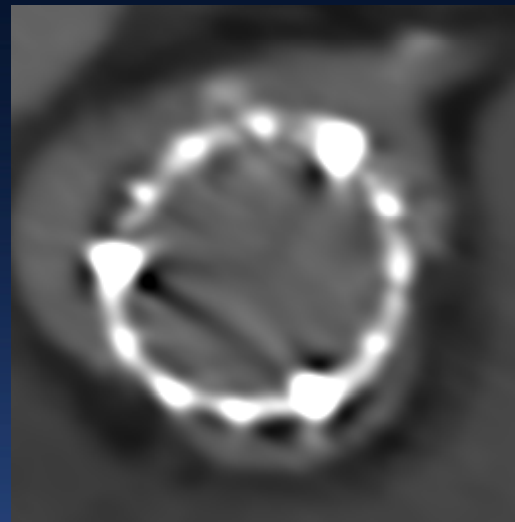
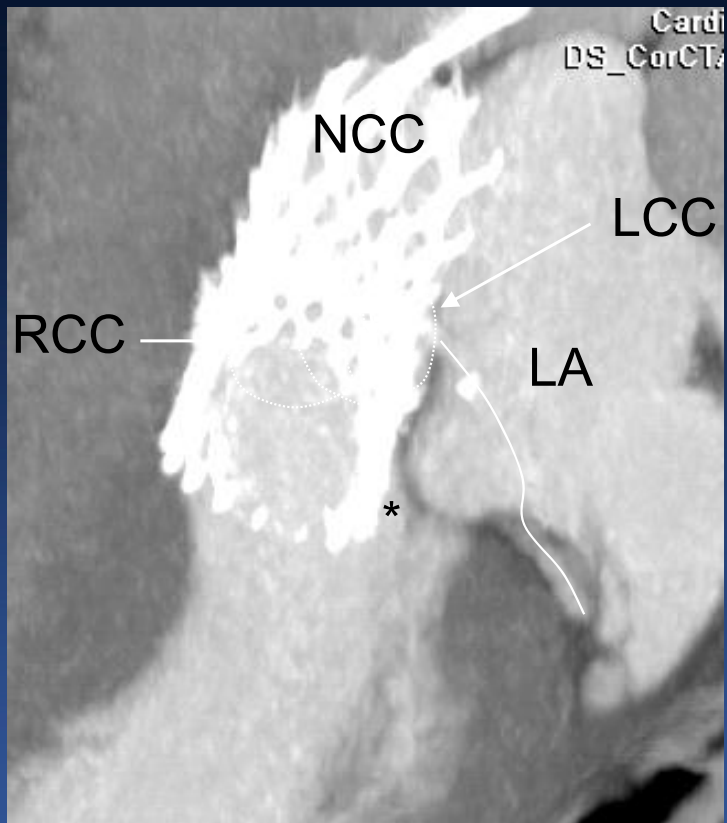
Follow up evaluation

Examples of Conformability

CoreValve Cases



Follow Up Image



No Valve Migration, Fracture,
Circumferentiality

Major Roles of CT in TAVI

- Iliofemoral Arterial System :
Size, Calcification, Tortuosity, Plaques
- Annulus size measurement
- 3D annular & root morphology & dimensions
- Relationship of annulus to both coronary ostia
- Amounts of calcium in valve
- Valve positioning during implantation
- Post TAVI assessment