Transcatheter Renal Denervation

The 3 Stages of RND

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Renal Denervation Is It Magic Therapy??

Attitude for the RND

Just like The Five Stages of Grief

Denial -> Angry -> Bargaining -> Depression -> Acceptance

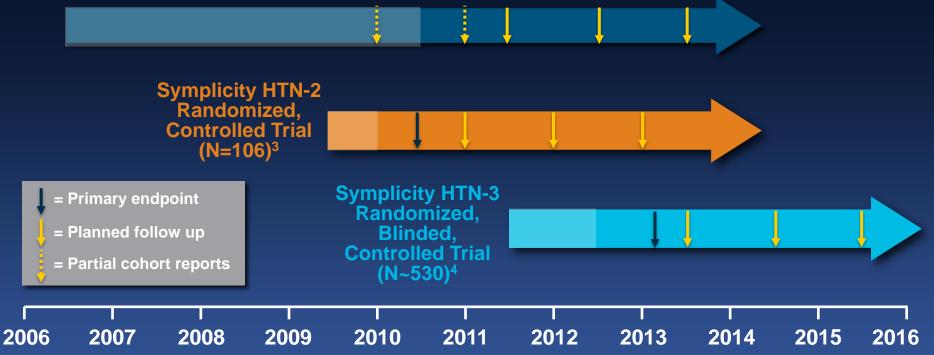






2008 ESH LBCT SYMPLICITY HTN 1 Trial

Symplicity HTN-1 First-in-Man, and Expanded Cohort (N=153)^{1,2}



Shading on bars indicates clinical trial enrollment periods. Enrollment period for HTN-3 is estimated.

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The First Impression

DENIAL

My Response : Can't Belive







AMC First Case with Dr. Sievert in TCT AP 2012

- 57/ F, 152cm, 76kg
- HTN, DM, breast cancer
- General edema after CCB (adalat oros 60)
- Lorsartan 100mg, bisoprolol 2.5mg, dichlozid 12.5mg
- Initial BP: 225/104
- Cr 1.0





Generator

- Energy maximum 8 Watt
- It automatically switches off if
 - temperature increases too fast or too slowly
 - temperature is higher than 75 °C
 - Impedance does not decrease sufficiently







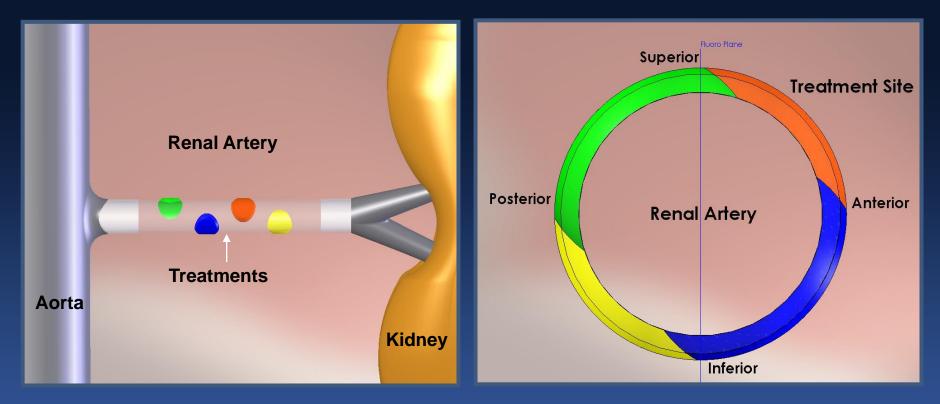


Simplicity[™] Catheter

- Radiofrequency electrode tip
- Handle allows bending of the tip and rotation
- Compatible with a 6 F guiding catheter



Treatment Strategy



Focal ablations spaced along vessel

Multiple focal ablations ↑ circumferential coverage



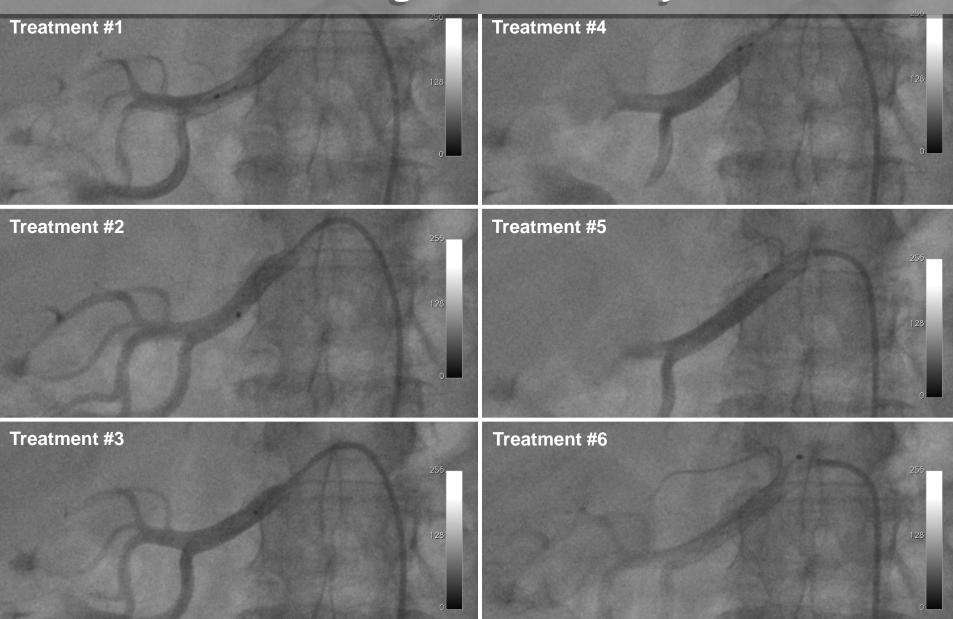


Procedural details

- Premedication
 - Aspirin 100 mg/day (to be continued for 1 week)
 - 10-20 mg morphin + sedatives
 - 5,000 U heparin
 - Nitro i.a.
- 6 F femoral sheath
- 6 F renal guiding catheter
- Angiography of all renal arteries
- Introduce radiofrequency catheter
- 8 ablations, 2 min each, total procedure time (1hr)
- Contrast : Visipaque, 100cc



Example Treatment Locations in a Right Renal Artery



AMC First Case with Dr. Sievert

- No procedure related complication
- Discharge 1 day later
- 1 month follow up : 172/93 mmHg, HR 119
- 3 months : 150/92 mmHg, HR97
- 6 months : 190/100 mmHg, HR 77
- Dose escalation with CCB
- 1 year : 142/79 mmHb, HR 71









BARGAINING

My Response : 50:50







AMC Cases

- 53/ M, 165cm, 88kg
- HTN, CAD, spinal stenosis, CVA
- CCB, BB, Diuretics, ARB, alpha blocker, vasodilator, etc (>10 drugs)
- Initial BP: 170/95
- Cr 0.65
- Procedure time; 70 min
- Contrast medium ; Visipaque, 50 cc
- 1 month FU ; 135/95 (exforge 5/80mg, concor 2.5mg)

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 - Aspirin 100 mg/day (to be continued for 1 week)
 - 10-20 mg morphin + sedatives
 - 5,000 U heparin
 - Nitro i.a.
- 6 F femoral sheath
- 6 F renal guiding catheter
- Angiography of all renal arteries
- Introduce radiofrequency catheter
- 12 ablations, 2 min each, total procedure time (1.5hr)
- Contrast : Visipaque, 60cc



AMC First Case with Dr. Sievert

- No procedure related complication
- Discharge 1 day later
- 1 month follow up : 135/95 mmHg, HR 70
- 3 months : 130/80 mmHg, HR68
- Reduction in medication (CCB, BB, ARB)
- 6 months : 125/75 mmHg, HR 77
- Reduction in medication (CCB, BB)







ACCEPTANCE

My Response : 90:10







AMC Last Case

- 61/ F, 167cm, 78kg
- Drug adverse effect: rash, edema d/t CCB
- Dichlozid 25mg, tenormin 50mg, olmetec 40mg
- Initial BP: 200/120 with severe headache
- Cr 0.66
- Procedure time; 70min
- Contrast medium ; Visipaque, 50 cc
- 1 month FU ; 133/80 without medication





Challenging Cases







AMC Cases - RAS

- 65/ M, 170cm, 68kg
- HTN, variant angina
- Exforge 5/160mg, dilatrend 25mg, atacand plus 1T qd.
- Initial BP: 178/122, HR 87/min
- Cr 0.9
- Procedure time; 120 min
- Contrast medium ; Visipaque, 90 cc

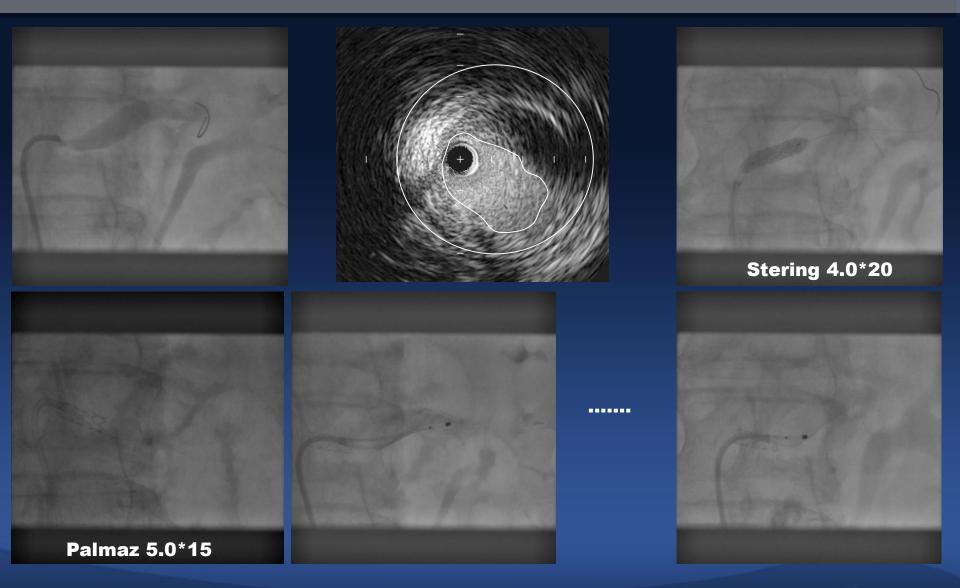
Successful Ablation in Right Renal Aretery







And Then, Left Renal Artery....



Additionally, 14 ablations were done in Left Renal Artery

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Follow Up

- No procedure related complication
- Discharge 1 day later
- 1 month follow up : 140/80 mmHg, HR 70
- 3 months : 139/89 mmHg, HR68



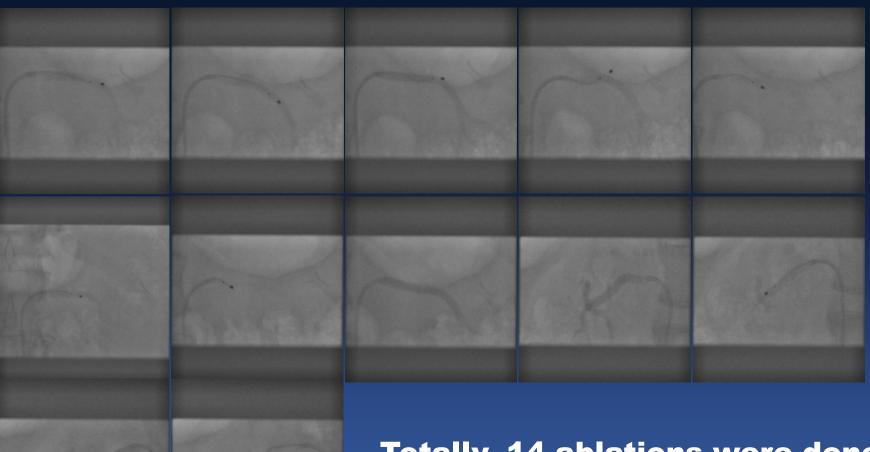




AMC Cases

- 53/ M, 171cm, 78kg
- HTN, DM
- Caduet 5/20mg, cadura XL 1T, dichlozid 25mg, exforge 5/160mg, tenormin 50mg qd
- Initial BP: 167/88
- Cr 0.97
- Procedure time; 80min
- Contrast medium ; Visipaque, 70 cc

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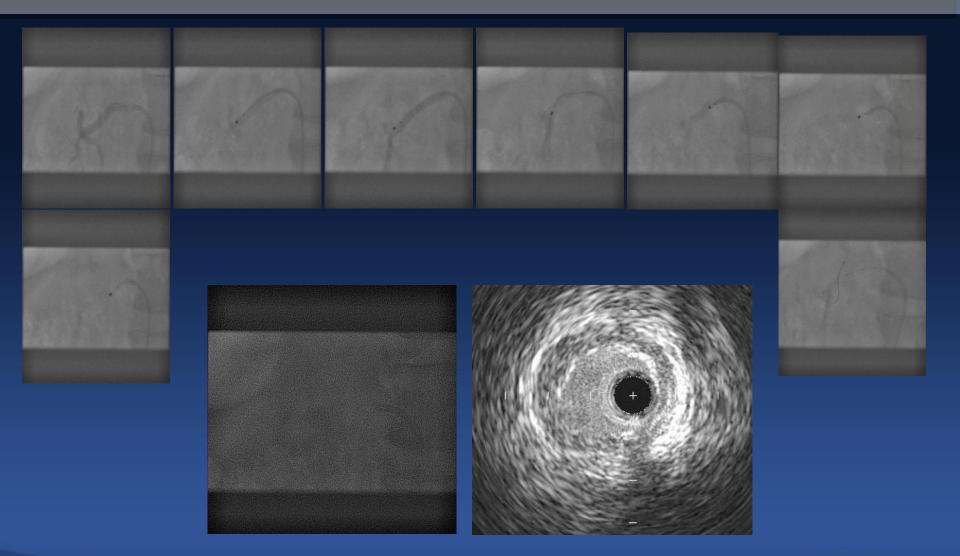
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Follow Up

- No procedure related complication
- Discharge 1 day later
- 1 month follow up : 155/85 mmHg, HR 78
- 3 months : 145/85 mmHg, HR 77
- 6 months : 135/78 mmHb, HR 65





Unmet Needs in RND?

- No Sham Control Group Symplicity HTN-3
- 24 ABPM was available in a small portion
- Long term effect during nerve regeneration
- Exclusion : dual renal artery, accessory artery, no data on unilateral RND
- Lack of preprocedural marker
- No clinical applicable technique
- No data ; less severe HTN, hard end points
- Cost-benefit studies
- Standardized certification of RND centers

ESH recommendation 2012

- 1st Exclude : 24 ABPM, 2nd HTN, sleep apnea, high salt diet, BP raising drugs, severe obesity
- 2nd Optimize anti-HTN drug with 3-4 (diuretics, anti-aldosterone drug)
- 3rd consider anatomic contraindications or eGFR
- Overall
 - very experienced hospital centers
 - use device which have demonstrate efficacy and safety in clinical studies

Conclusions

- Transcatheter Renal Denervation results in significant reductions in BP
- The procedure seems to be very safe
- The effect is sustained up to 3 years
- It may also be beneficial in patients with diabetes, sleep apnea, heart failure and other diseases
- However, we still need to be under the strict indication, such as true resistant hypertension

