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# Future Perspective for TAVR-What is Remained?

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# TAVR Journey - 2019



## **TAVR Current State**

Clinical Trials with self-expanding and balloon-expandable TAVR devices have demonstrated excellent safety and device success in extreme, high, and intermediate surgical risk patients



# Early Success was Driven by Several Factors Focusing on Making the TAVR Procedure Safe with Comparable Results to SAVR

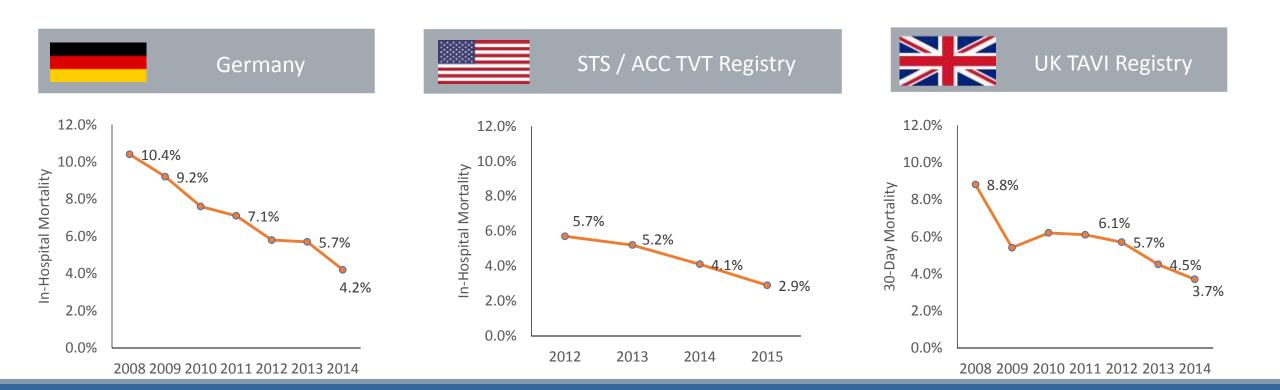
Standardized and Consistent Patient Selection

Procedural 'Best Practices' Developed and Used Globally

Use of CT Sizing for Better Valve Selection

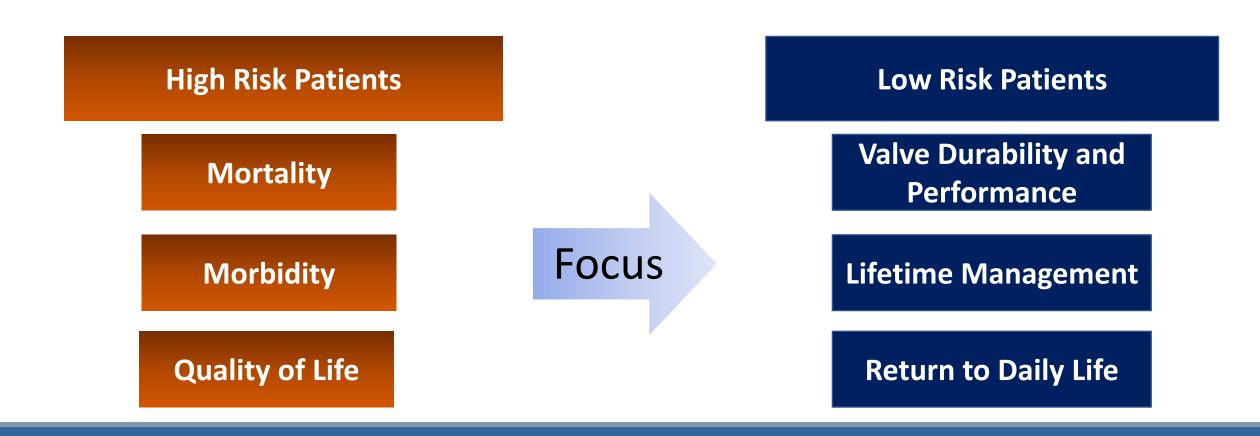
# Early Mortality Established TAVR Markets

- Within these established markets, rates of early mortality have steadily decreased with time. 30-day mortality is under 5% in contemporary practice.
- Each geography has also shown declining rates of complications which are known to impact mortality, such as a artic regurgitation, vascular injury, and severe acute complications such as annular rupture.





Device selection in younger patients will be driven by valve durability and performance of TAVI valves, lifetime management of patients, and getting patients back to their daily lives faster.



## What lies ahead of us?



#1:

TAVR will be the treatment of choice for all isolated AS patients and a reasonable treatment option for patients with asymptomatic and moderate AS



## **TAVR Next Steps**

Although TAVR has become the gold standard for extreme- and high-risk patients, there are underserved patient populations that may benefit from TAVR.

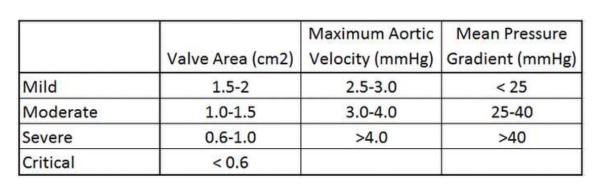
**Low Risk** 



Bicuspid AS



**Moderate AS** 



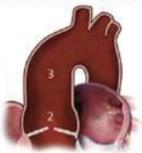
**Asymptomatic AS** 



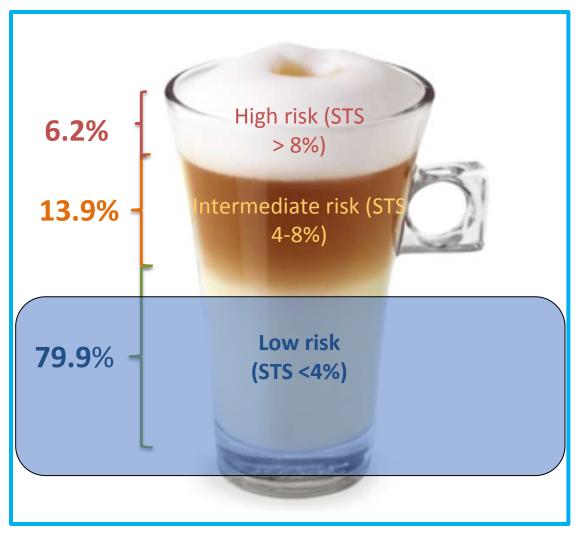
**Aortic Regurgitation** 

- 1- Minimal or absent cusp calcification
- 2- Dilated aortic root
- 3- Frequent coexistence of dilated ascending aorta





## STS database 2002-2010 (141,905 pts)



The 'holy grail' 80% low-risk AS patients!

Courtesy of N. Piazza, V. Thourani

#### **Low Risk**

## Current Status | LRT Trial - Conclusions



The 1 year Results from the multicenter, investigator sponsored, Low-Risk TVR (LRT) Trial were recently reported. The study propensity matched low-risk TAVR patients to isolated SAVR patients from the STS database.

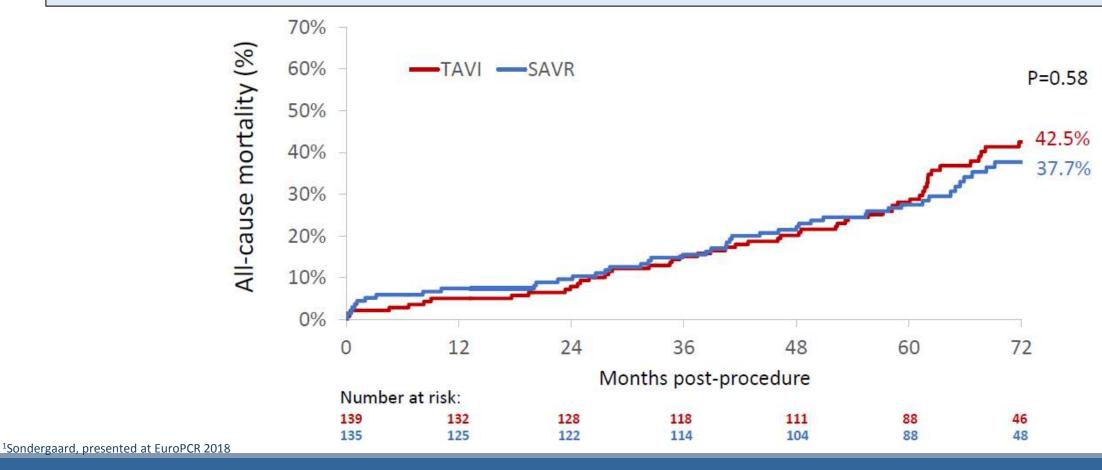
Early and 1 year outcomes were excellent with no/low mortality or disabling stroke out to 1 year.

 TAVR outcomes were similar or better than SAVR, including a near-significant (p=0.079) benefit in mortality

#### **Low Risk**

#### **Current Status | NOTION**

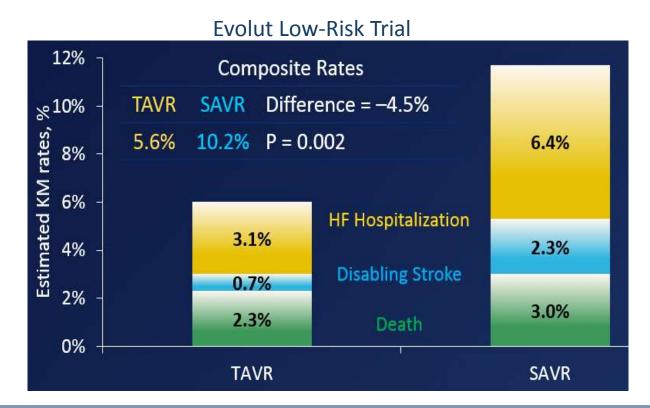
The NOTION clinical outcomes demonstrated *outstanding results with TAVR in lower risk patients*. Both death from any cause and cardiovascular death were similar to SAVR *out to 6 years.* 



#### **TAVR** Low Risk

Results from the randomized Evolut Low-Risk and PARTNER 3 Trials demonstrated success of the Evolut platform and SAPIEN 3 device in low surgical risk patients.

These data will drive an indication for low surgical risk patients in 2019. Age, rather than risk, will become key in selecting patients for TAVI.



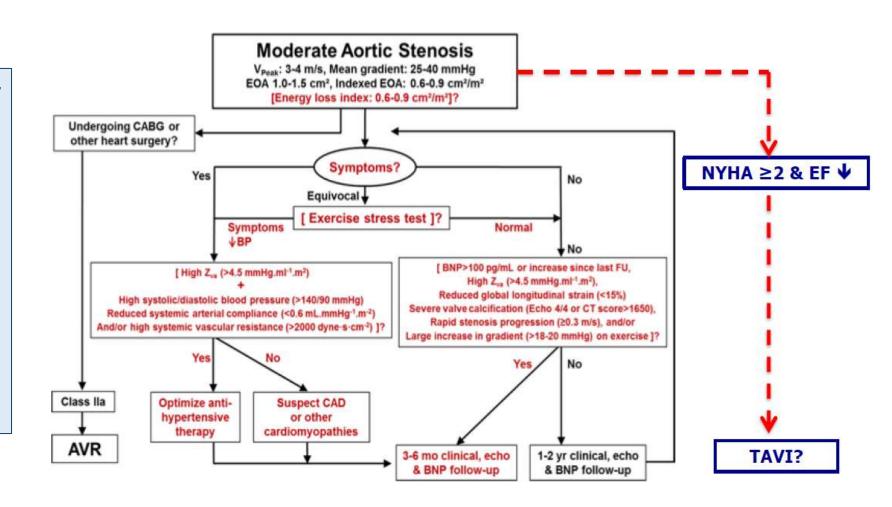


## **Moderate and Asymptomatic Aortic Stenosis**

**Current State** 

Guidelines, including recent updates from ESC/EACTS and ACC/AHA, are lacking evidence.

Randomized trial results are needed as outcomes of TAVR in moderate AS patients is mostly limited to case studies.



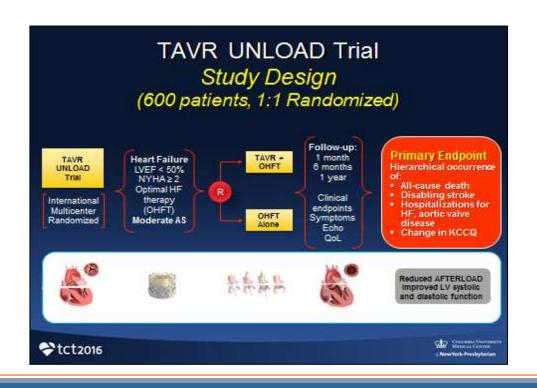
### **Moderate and Asymptomatic Aortic Stenosis**

#### **Current State**

Clinical Trials are currently underway and earlier intervention in these patients will be performed and will prevent myocardial damage and functional decline.

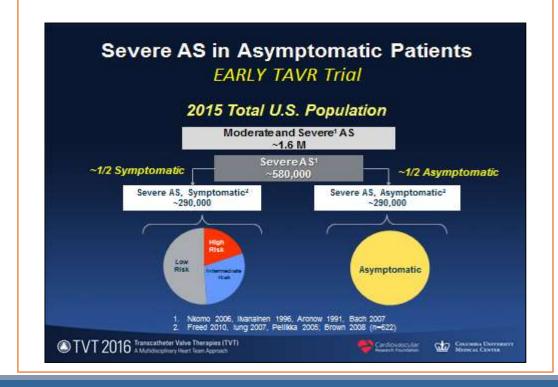
#### **TAVR UNLOAD**

TAVI will be compared to medical therapy in patients with moderate AS, symptoms of heart failure, and reduced EF



#### **EARLY TAVR**

TAVI will be applied to asymptomatic patients with severe AS



#### **TAVR**

## **Expanding Indications**

In addition to treating aortic stenosis, interventional cardiology will be used to treat patients with bicuspid aortic valves and patients with pure aortic regurgitation.

However, these patients present new challenges that are currently being studied

#### **Pure AR Challenges**

Morphological Features of Aortic Valve Stenosis or Regurgitation

Calcific Aortic Valve Stenosis

1- Nodular calcific deposits on aortic side

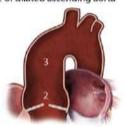




#### Aortic Valve Regurgitation

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## Technical Challenges of TAVR in Aortic Valve Regurgitation

Suboptimal Fluoroscopic Visualization of the Native Valve

Insufficient Anchoring and Sealing of the Transcatheter Device

Risk of Misplacement and Migration of the Device Risk of Residual Valvular Regurgitation

#### **Bicuspid Aortic Valve Challenges**

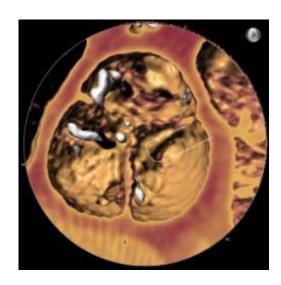
POTENTIAL ANATOMIC FEATURE	PROCEDURAL CONCERNS
Elliptical annulus	Impairs positioning and sealing
Large annulus	May be out of TAV size range
Assymetric leaflets and / or assymetric leaflet calcification	Impedes expansion, leads to gradients or PVL
Fused commissures (raphe)	Risk of rupture (during BAV or valve deployment)
Aortopathy	Risk of aortic dissection during the procedure, and as a late complication Difficulty anchoring

## **BAV** Classification (modified)

## **CTA Imaging**

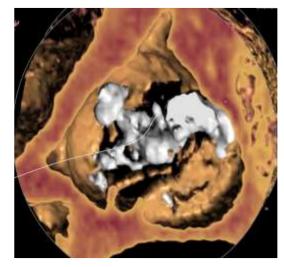
## (from 14 centers in North America, Europe and Asia)

**Tricommissural** 



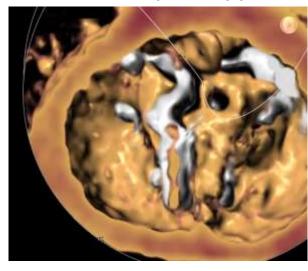
3 commissures V-like orifice "functional or acquired"

Bicommissural Raphe-type



2 commissures, 1 raphe Slit-like orifice

Bicommissural Non Raphe-type



2 commissures, no raphe Slit-like orifice

Jilaihawi H. JACC Imaging 2016

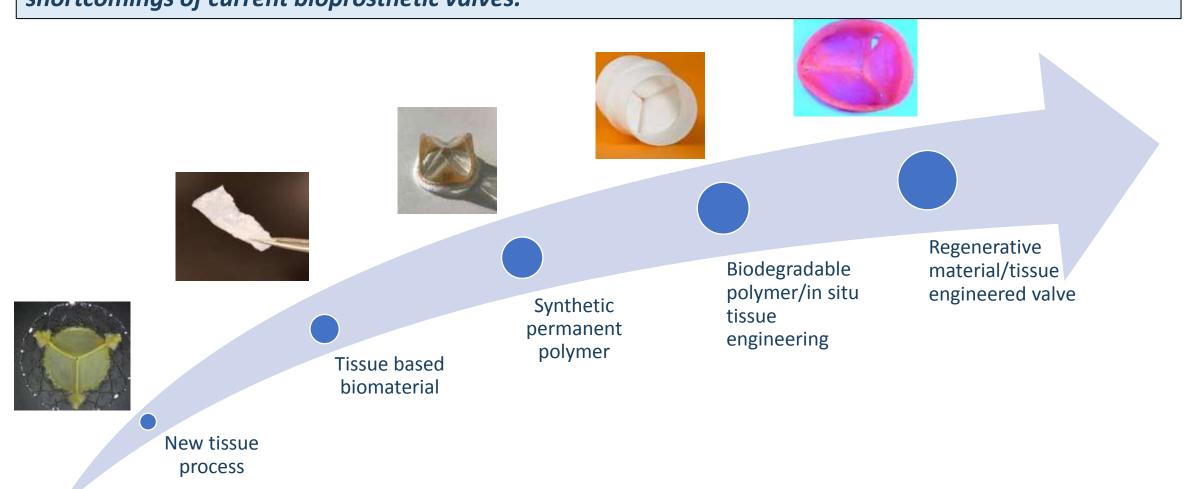
#2: New technologies will make TAVR safer and easier



## **Device Technology**

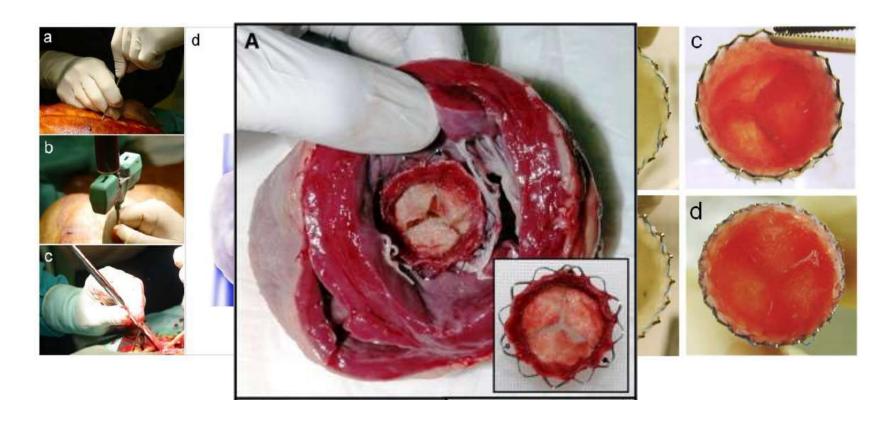
#### **Alternative Materials**

New tissue processes and novel materials are actively being researched, and this research may address shortcomings of current bioprosthetic valves.



## **Zurich Tissue Engineered Heart Valve**

A "Living" Aortic Valve



Courtesy of Simon P. Hoerstrup, MD, PhD

# Xeltis Endogenous Tissue Restoration (ETR)





Valve after bioabsorption

- Synthetic matrix made of novel biobsorbable supramolecular polymers using electrospinning techniques
- Polymer leaflets mounted on nitinol self-expanding frame
- Regrowth of endogenous tissue coincident with bioabsorption of polymer implant
- Natural self-healing antiinflammatory leaflets

## **Xeltis**

## Endogenous Tissue Restoration (ETR)









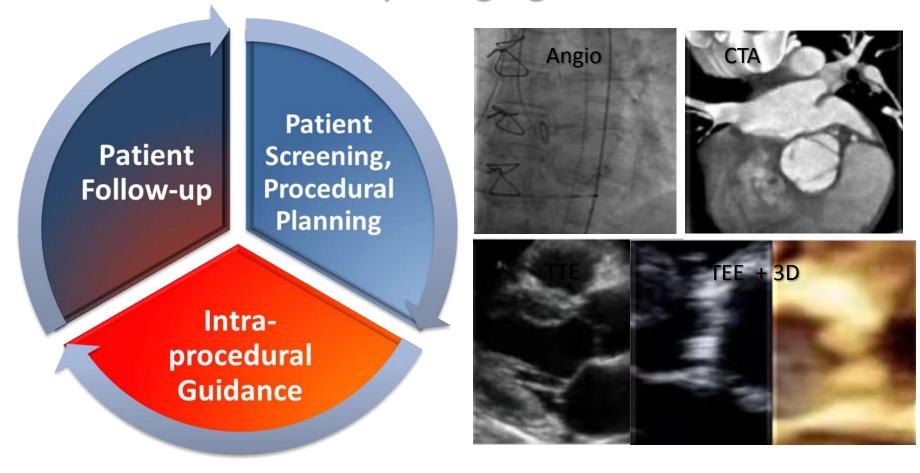
### **Aortic Valve**

- Safety demonstrated in >50 sheep
- 96% device success
- 3 and 6 months FU complete
- Preliminary 12 months data available and encouraging
- Hemodynamic performance stable over time

### **TAVR**

## Accessory Devices/Imaging Technologies

## Multi-modality Imaging is the RULE!



# **TAVR** Accessory Devices

Devices that will make the TAVI procedure safer are currently under development. Future TAVI procedures may include a number of these devices.

Neuroprotection devices



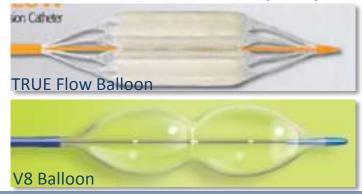
Large-hole closure devices



Expandable in-line sheath



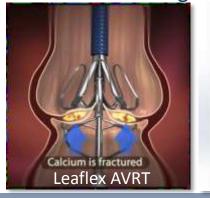
Balloon Aortic Valvuloplasty



Dedicated wires and pacing leads



Calcium Management Tools





#3:

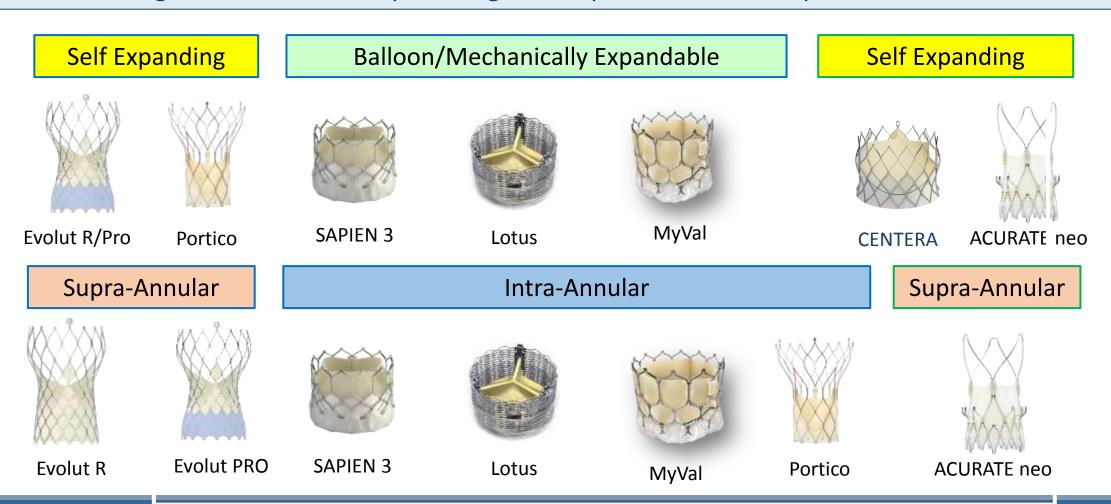
TAVR device performance will drive device selection and strategies for the lifetime management of TAVR and SAVR patients will be optimized



#### **TAVR Device Selection**

#### **Current Devices**

Valve designs vary drastically and the selection process can be complicated. Valve selection might be essential in optimizing device performance and patient outcomes.



# TAVR Newcomers Global Landscape (#25)

- Sapien 3
- Evolut R
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Current Leaders!

- Jena Valve
- Centera
- Venus A Valve

- J Valve Ausper
- VitaFlow (Microport)
- Taurus One
- Trj

Future Contenders?

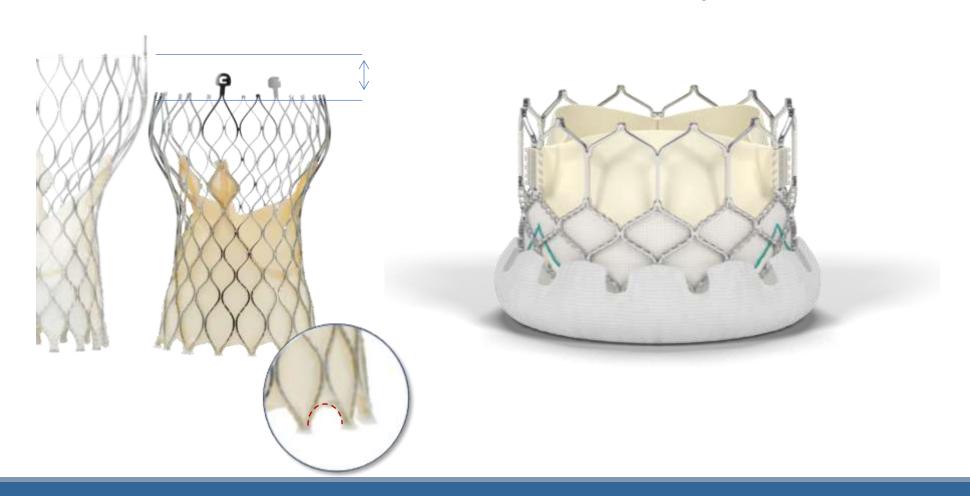
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Var Meril Lifescience)

- HLT Meridian
- NVT (Nautilus)
- Xeltis
- Zurich TEHV

## **Current "Standards" for TAVR**

MDT Evolut R (PRO) Edwards Sapien 3/Ultra



## "Next in Line" for TAVR

LOTUS (Edge) ACURATE neo PORTICO







## "Rebooting" or Increasing Momentum

JENA Valve

CENTERA VENUS A Valve







## **Lifetime Management**

TAV-in-SAV and TAV-in-TAV

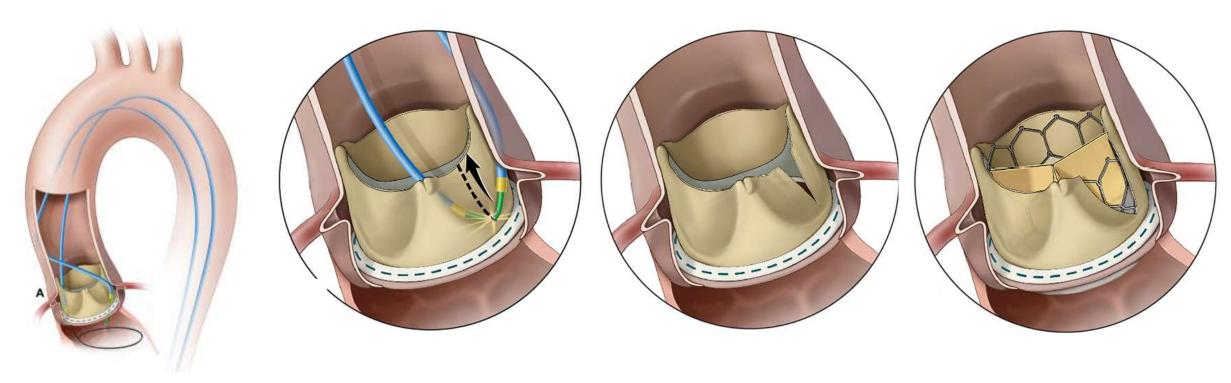
With both SAVR and TAVR bioprosthetic valves being implanted in younger patients, the need for transcatheter therapies to treat failing valves is well recognized.

New techniques and technologies are currently being developed to facilitate TAV-in-SAV and TAV-in-TAV procedures.

## **Lifetime Management**

### New Technique for Valve-in-Valve | BASILICA

#### The BASILICA technique may help reduce coronary obstruction post valve-in-valve



Leaflet wire traversal and snaring

Leaflet slicing

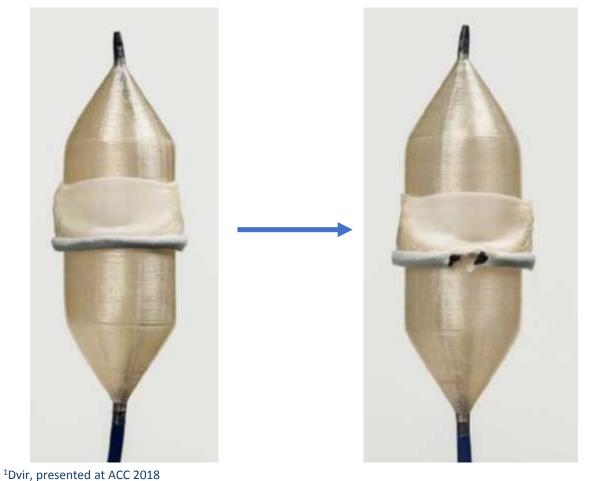
Sliced leaflet

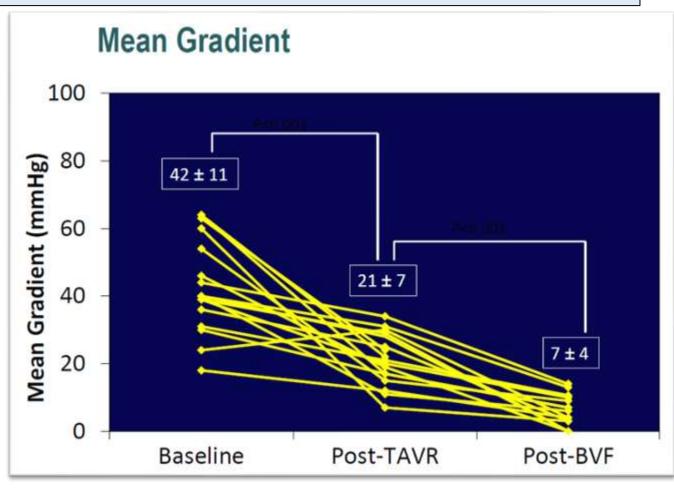
Valve-in-Valve

## **Lifetime Management**

New Technique for Valve-in-Valve | Valve Cracking

Using balloon dilation to fracture the ring of surgical valves may be a useful technique in patients with small valves to improve gradients post valve-in-valve procedure.





#### TAVR Device Selection

#### **Durability Current State**

In 2018, there were much needed advances in providing standard definitions of valve failure and valve surveillance.

The ESC/EATCS/EAPCI provided a consensus statement aiming to level the playing field between TAVR studies as well as with SAVR trials which will allow a better understanding of TAVR durability (as well as SAVR durability).

Standardized definitions of structural deterioration and valve failure in assessing long-term durability of transcatheter and surgical aortic bioprosthetic valves: a consensus statement from the European Association of Percutaneous Cardiovascular Interventions (EAPCI) endorsed by the European Society of Cardiology (ESC) and the European Association for Cardio-Thoracic Surgery (EACTS)

Davide Capodanno<sup>1</sup>\*, Anna S. Petronio<sup>2</sup>, Bernard Prendergast<sup>3</sup>, Helene Eltchaninoff<sup>4</sup>, Alec Vahanian<sup>5</sup>, Thomas Modine<sup>6</sup>, Patrizio Lancellotti<sup>7</sup>, Lars Sondergaard<sup>8</sup>, Peter F. Ludman<sup>9</sup>, Corrado Tamburino<sup>1</sup>, Nicolò Piazza<sup>10</sup>, Jane Hancock<sup>3</sup>, Julinda Mehilli<sup>11</sup>, Robert A. Byrne<sup>12</sup>, Andreas Baumbach<sup>13</sup>, Arie Pieter Kappetein<sup>14</sup>, Stephan Windecker<sup>15</sup>, Jeroen Bax<sup>16</sup>, and Michael Haude<sup>17</sup>

#### **TAVR Device Selection**

#### **Durability Current State**

The consensus statement made important distinctions of bioprosthetic valve dysfunction (BVD) between structural valve deterioration (SVD), non-structural valve deterioration (NSVD), thrombosis, and endocarditis

These definitions will be included into the upcoming VARC 3 Update

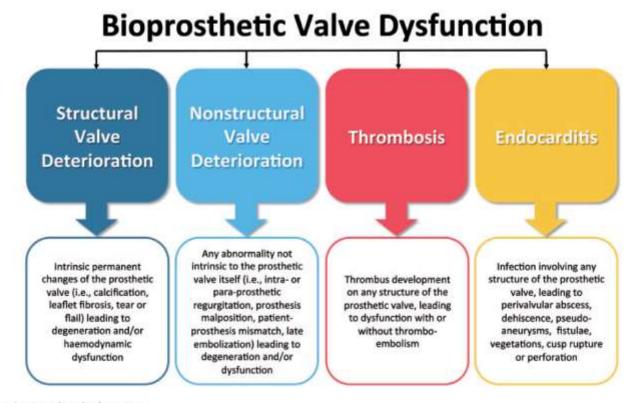


Figure 1: Causes of bioprosthetic valve dysfunction.

#### **TAVR Device Selection**

### **Durability Evidence**

Durability definitions from the new consensus statement have been applied to six studies analyzing long-term data in a real-world setting, with more studies coming in 2019

TAVR durability in studies with the new definitions has been promising with low rates of both SVD and BVF

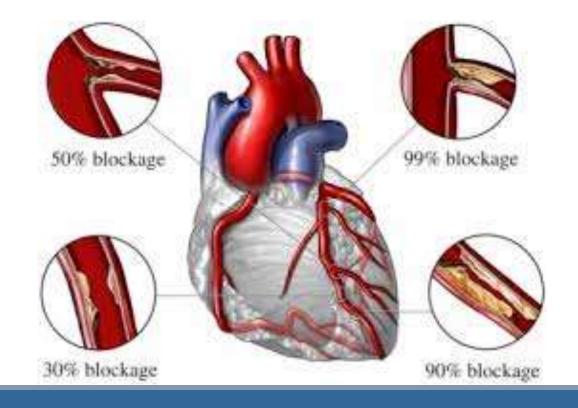
Study	N	Valve	Follow-up	Survival*	Severe SVD	BVF
Sondergaard et al.	280	CoreValve	6 years	57.5%	0.7%	7.5%***
Deutsch et al.	300	Various	7 years	23.2%	- **	3.7%
Eltchaninoff et al.	378	Various BE	8 years	9.6%	3.2%	0.6%***
Barbanti et al.	288	Various	8 years	29.8%	5.9%	4.5%***
Holy et al.	152	CoreValve	8 years	27.0%	0%	4.5%***
Sokoloff et al.	589	Various	10 years	8%	8.0%	3.4%***
*Actuarial analysis ** 14.3		~0-8%	~1-8%			

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Actual analysis (cumulative incidence function)

Abbreviations: BE, balloon-expandable

Coronary Artery Disease | PCI after TAVR

**Preserving options for interventions beyond TAVR** is critical for lifetime management of aortic stenosis patients especially as TAVR moves into younger patient populations.



### Coronary Artery Disease | PCI after TAVR

# Today, studies have shown coronary access post-TAVR is possible in the majority of cases

	Kerckhoff-Klinik	Segeberg Registry	UK Registry	TAVR-LM Registry
Incidence	35 / 1,000 (3.5%)	17 / 296 (5.7%)	18 / 2,588 (0.7%)	9 / 6,405 (0.1%)
ACS Indication	11.4%	37.5%	65%	78%
Time to Intervention Post- TAVI	233 ± 158 days	17.7 months (range: 1-72)	136 days (range: 1-1092)	368 days (IQR: 204-534)
Type of TAV Implanted			Not Reported	
CoreValve	29%	100%		44%
SAPIEN XT	54%			55%
JenaValve	3%			
Symetis	11%			
Portico	3%			
Procedural Success	74%	95.8%	Not Reported	100%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Blumenstein, et al., *Clin Res Cardiol* 2015; 104:632-39; <sup>2</sup>Allali, et al., *Cardiovasc Revasc Med* 2016; epub ahead of print; <sup>3</sup>Snow, et al., *Int J Cardiol* 2015; 199:253-60; <sup>4</sup>Chakravarty, et al., *J Am Coll Cardiol* 2016; 67:951-60

#4: TAVR pharmacology will be optimized



#### Anticoagulation | Valve Thrombosis

#### Valve thrombosis has come to the forefront with studies reporting

- Reduced leaflet motion in 22 of 55 (40%) patients analyzed from the PORTICO IDE Cohort (16 of 37 (40%) Portico patients, 6 of 14 (43%) Sapien XT patients, and 0 of 4 (0%) CoreValve patients).
- In the pooled RESOLVE and SAVORY registry patients, reduced leaflet motion in 14% of TAVR

patients and 7% of SAVR patients

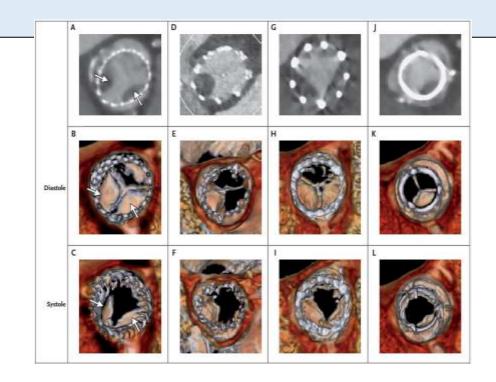
The NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL of MEDICINE

#### ORIGINAL ARTICLE

#### Possible Subclinical Leaflet Thrombosis in Bioprosthetic Aortic Valves

R.R. Makkar, G. Fontana, H. Jilaihawi, T. Chakravarty, K.F. Kofoed, O. De Backer, F.M. Asch, C.E. Ruiz, N.T. Olsen, A. Trento, J. Friedman, D. Berman, W. Cheng, M. Kashif, V. Jelnin, C.A. Kliger, H. Guo, A.D. Pichard, N.J. Weissman, S. Kapadia, E. Manasse, D.L. Bhatt, M.B. Leon, and L. Søndergaard

ABSTRACT



### Anticoagulation

Current clinical antithrombotic therapy post-TAVR is mostly empirical and practice variation is quite high. Clinical trials are currently underway and will bring clarity and guidance on this important topic.

Post TAVR Implant strategy will change and Anticoagulation will probably be recommended

No indication to OAT Indication to OAT **AVATAR (NCT02735902)** ARTE (NCT01559298) ASA+VKA vs. no VKA ASA vs. DAPT Studies of POPular TAVI (NCT02247128) POPular TAVI (NCT02247128) antiplatelet ASA vs. DAPT Clopidogrel+VKA vs. VKA strategies CLOE (Announced) CLOE (Announced) Clopidogref+VKA vs. VKA ASA vs. DAPT **AUREA (NCT01642134)** Studies of DAPT vs. VKA antiplatelet vs. **GALILEO (NCT02556203)** Rivaroxaban + ASA vs. DAPT anticoagulant ATLANTIS (NCT02664649) strategies Apixaban vs. Aspirin or DAPT ATLANTIS (NCT02664649) Studies of Apixaban vs. VKA anticoagulant **ENVISAGE TAVI (NCT02943785)** Edoxaban" vs. VKA\* strategies

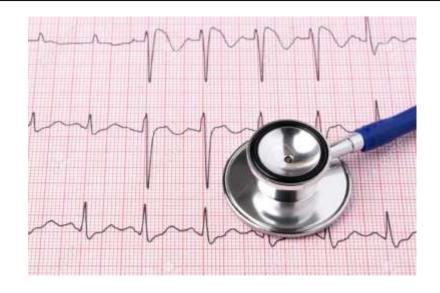
<sup>1</sup>Capodanno, et al., presented at London Valves 2017

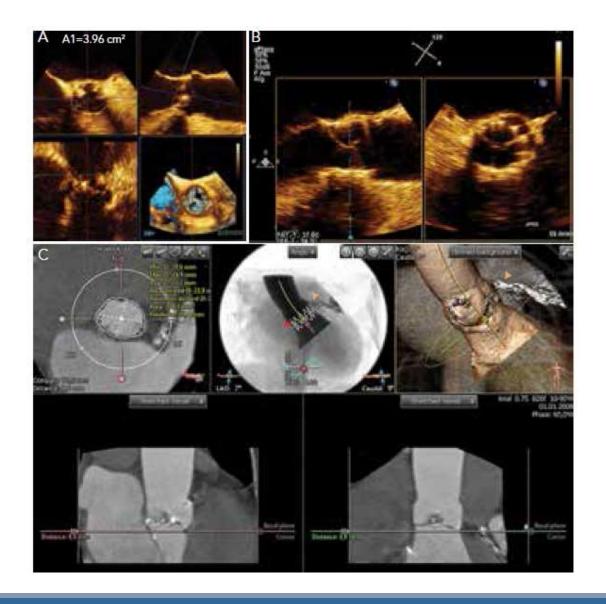
#5: A disease state continuum of care will emerge



# **Diagnosis**

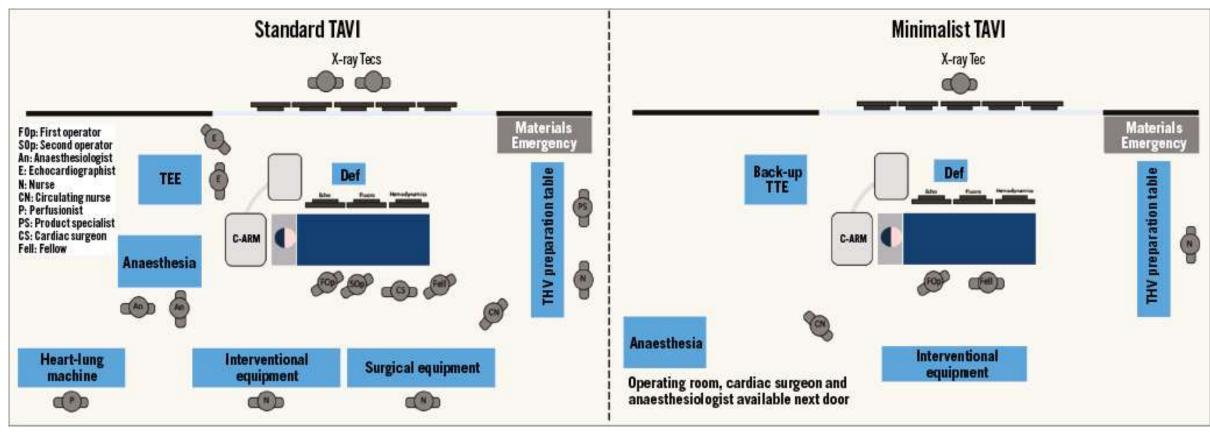
In the next decade, TAVR will see an improvement in diagnostic capabilities and an enhanced ability to identify preexisting conditions. This will allow for earlier diagnosis with a positive impact on prognosis.





#### **Procedure**

The next decade will see optimization of the TAVR procedure and lower resource utilization making the procedure more efficient and economical.



<sup>1</sup>Barbanti, et al. EuroIntervention 2017; 13: AA11-AA21

#### **Post-acute**

Innovations in monitoring of arrhythmic disorders and heart failure will lead to faster diagnoses and better post-care management

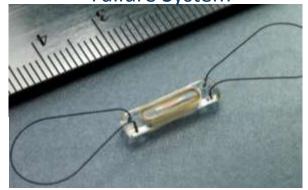


LifeWatch Mobile Telemetry





CardioMEMS Heart Failure System



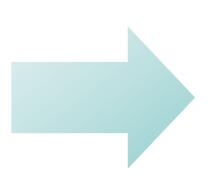
Grey Heart Failure Monitoring Device



# **Post-discharge**

Longer-term management of TAVR patients will improve with the ability to monitor patients from home with minimal disruption to their daily lives. This technology, along with improved home care pathways, will allow a greater number of patients to discharge to home.







# TAVR Journey - 2019



#### **TAVR Revolution - 2019**

The Future....

- There are still 'gaps' in TAVR knowledge which must be addressed (e.g. valve leaflet abnormalities, late TAVR SVD/durability, coronary access considerations, and optimal adjunctive pharmacotherapy).
- By all meaningful criteria however, TAVR has been a BREAKTHROUGH Technology in the management of patients with aortic stenosis!