## Lifetime Management Starts with First Valve Choice

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## **Lifetime Management of Low Risk Patients**

- Lifetime Management TAVR vs SAVR: What Else Matters
  - Mortality and Stroke: what is data telling us so far?
  - PVL: does mild leak matter?
  - LBBB or Pacemaker: benign?
  - Future Coronary Access (diagnostic, intervention for CAD): easy?
  - Other considerations:
    - What about bicuspid patients: do we have more data in TAVR
    - Reinterventions is it feasible? If not what about re-do surgery or explant of THV?

### • Novel data to be mindful of to avoid unnecessary re-interventions

- Echo-Cath Discordance
  - How does this translate to gradients, PPM and Durability?
- Evolution of Definitions in TAVR/SAVR
  - Need to be mindful of the differences

## Evolution of TAVR

# Outcomes from the PARTNER Trials have unlocked TAVI for patients with severe AS $^{\rm 1-5}$



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### Improved TAVR Clinical Outcomes



**30-day all-cause mortality** 

**30-day disabling stroke** 

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## PARTNER 3 Low Risk RCT

	30 days <sup>1</sup>		1 year <sup>1</sup>	1 year <sup>1</sup>	
	TAVR	Surgery	TAVR	Surgery	P-Value <sup>2</sup>
All-cause mortality	0.4%	1.1%	1.0%	2.5%	<0.085
All-stroke	0.6%	2.4%	1.2%	3.1%	0.041
Rehospitalization	3.4%	6.5%	7.3%	11.0%	0.046
Life- threatening/disabling or major bleeding*	3.6%	24.5%	7.7%	25.9%	<0.0001
New-onset AFIB*	5.0%	39.5%	7.0%	40.9%	<0.0001
AKI*	0.4%	1.8%	0.4%	1.8%	0.0001



Delivering outcomes better than surgery in your lowrisk patients:

- Mortality
- Stroke
- Rehospitalization

Bleeding

\*These endpoints were not subject to multiplicity adjustment.

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2. The PARTNER 3 Trial, low-risk patients (N=496 TAVR, N=454 SAVR). Edwards Lifesciences clinical report on file.

# TAVR Has Now Passed Isolated and All SAVRs in the US Market



Carroll J, et all. JACC 2020

### TAVR: Median Age



## **Considerations for the Young TAVR Patient**

- Risk of Heart Block / need for Pacemaker
- Coronary Artery (Re)Access
- Valve Durability
- Lifetime Management What is the next valve plan?
  - SAVR after TAVR
  - TAV-in-TAV
  - Valve-in-Valve TAVR



### AS Patient Journey – Lifetime Management of AS



### Sequence Planning: 1st Decision on AVR Impacts Others



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"[If] life expectancy exceeds the anticipated durability of valve... the Heart Team should envisage the impact of the first intervention on future therapeutic options"



Tarantini, G., Fovino, LN. (2021). Lifetime Strategy of Patients With Aortic Stenosis The First Cut Is the Deepest. JACC: Cardiovascular Interventions, 14(15), 1727-30

## THV Data in Low-Risk Patients Differs



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## Predictors of Mortality After TAVI: Perivalvular Regurgitation

### Only patients with at least moderate PVR had higher 1-year mortality (hazard ratio [HR], 2.40; 95% CI, 1.30-4.43; P = .005)



Univariable and Multivariable Analyses of the Association Between at Least Moderate PVR and 1-Year Outcomes

End Point	Univariable Analysis	Multivariable Analysis <sup>a</sup>		
	HR (95% CI) <sup>b</sup>	P Value	HR (95% CI)	P Value
All-cause mortality	2.40 (1.30-4.43)	.005	2.59 (1.39-4.85)	.003
Cardiovascular mortality	2.68 (1.24-5.81)	.01	2.87 (1.30-6.30)	.009
Rehospitalization	2.27 (1.34-3.83)	.002	2.27 (1.31-3.94)	.003
Composite of mortality and rehospitalization	2.35 (1.52-3.62)	.001	2.36 (1.50-3.69)	<.001
Aortic valve reintervention	13.14 (3.39-50.85)	<.001	NA	NA

"Given that patients with at least moderate PVR at 30 days harbor a 2.4-fold increase in 1-year mortality and that it is difficult to predict who among the survivors will exhibit a regression of PVR, it is essential to make every effort to avoid at least moderate PVR at the time of TAVR". P Pibarot

Pibarot P, Hahn RT, Weissman NJ, et al. Association of Paravalvular Regurgitation With 1-Year Outcomes After Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement With the SAPIEN 3 Valve. JAMA Cardiol. 2017;2(11):1208–1216. doi:10.1001/jamacardio.2017.3425

# Low pacemaker rates mean better outcomes for patients

New pacemaker after TAVR is associated with a **31% increase in mortality** in the first year<sup>1</sup> New pacemaker after TAVR is associated with a **42% increase in rehospitalization** at 4 years<sup>2</sup>



 Fadahunsi OO, Olowoyeye A, Ukaigwe A, et al. Incidence, predictors, and outcomes of permanent pacemaker implantation following transcatheter aortic valve replacement – Analysis from the U.S. Society of Thoracic Surgeons/American College of Cardiology TVT Registry. JACC: Cardiovasc Interv. 2016;9(21):2189-2199.

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# BEV Platform Demonstrates Single Digit Rates of new Pacemaker



#### 30-day outcomes

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# Coronary artery disease is very common in the TAVR population even among those at low surgical risk



# For TAVR patients with CAD, the need for coronary access will be up to 8% at 1 year, and <u>34% at 4.5 years</u>



Hermiller JB Jr, Gunnarsson CL, Ryan MP, Moore KA, Clancy SJ, Irish W. The need for future coronary access following surgical or transcatheter aortic valve replacement. *Catheter Cardiovasc Interv*. 2021;1–7. https://doi.org/10.1002/ccd.29841

## Coronary Cannulation After Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement

### The RE-ACCESS Study

Predictors of Unsuccessful Coronary Cannulation After Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement and Receiver-Operating Characteristic Curve Analysis Applied to Logistic Regression Model





Transcatheter Aortic Valve/ Sinuses of Valsalva Relation Odds Ratio 1.1; 95% CI: 1.0-1.2; p < 0.01



Transcatheter Aortic Valve Implant Depth Odds Ratio 1.7; 95% CI: 1.3-2.3; p < 0.01



Evolut Transcatheter Aortic Valve Odds Ratio 29.6; 95% CI: 2.6-335.0; p < 0.01

# Considerations for coronary re-access and future TAV-in-TAV



**Risk Plane** (RP)



**VTA** (Valve to Aorta distance) between RP and coronaries



**Sinus Sequestration** = if the first TAV commissure is above STJ and its stent frame is close to or directly contacting the STJ, coronary flow can be impaired after the second TAV implantation.<sup>1</sup>

## Use of a shorter frame offers the lowest risk of impaired coronary access in TAV-in-TAV and TAV-in-SAV



**47%** of patients that undergo TAVR have their PCI or angiogram performed at a different hospital



## Nearly all SAPIEN 3 patients had accessible coronary arteries

**RE-ACCESS** 



### Predictors of unsuccessful cannulation

	Odds Ratio	95% Confidence Interval
EVOLUT R/PRO	29.6	2.6–335.0 <i>P</i> <0.01
Transcatheter Aortic Valve implant depth	1.7	1.3–2.3 <i>P</i> <0.01
Transcatheter Aortic Valve/Sinuses of Valsalva relation	1.1	1.0–1.2 <i>P</i> <0.01

N=300

## SAPIEN 3 has low rates of CT-assessed unfavorable coronary access post-TAVR

### RESOLVE



Ochiai T, et al. JACC Cardiovasc Interv. 2020;13(6):693-705.

## SAPIEN 3 provided the highest predicted rate of coronary access post-TAV-in-TAV

University of Padua Medical School

Coronary angiography was performed prospectively in 137 consecutive patients post-TAVR

Unfeasible CA after TAV-in-TAV 23.6% for SAPIEN 3 38.5% for Evolut R/PRO 41.1% for ACURATE NEO

SAPIEN 3 (n=17/72) Evolut R/PRO (n=10/26) ACURATE *neo* (n=16/39)



### **Surgical Explantation After TAVR Failure**

### Mid-Term Outcomes From the EXPLANT-TAVR International Registry

#### 269 patients

- Mean age 72.7 <u>+</u> 10.4 years
- Mean time to failure 11.5 mo
- STS score 3.2% at TAVR
- STS score 5.0% at explant
- 11.9% in-hospital mortality



#### Short- and Mid-Term Outcomes After Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement Explantation (N = 269)

Follow-up (mo) post explantation	$14.6\pm20.7$
30 d	
Mortality	34 (13.1)
Stroke	18 (8.6)
Readmission	28 (13.7)
Follow-up complete	259 (97.7)
1 y	
Mortality	53 (28.5)
Stroke	23 (18.7)
Follow-up complete	المە (مە.1)

Bapat VN, et al. JACC Int 2021;14:1978-1991.

Brescia BA, et al. Cirv CV Invt 2021;14:e009927.

### Transcatheter Replacement of Transcatheter Versus Surgically Implanted Aortic Valve Bioprostheses

Months



Landes U, et al. J Am Coll Cardiol 2021;77:1-14.

## Outcomes of Redo Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement According to the Initial and Subsequent Valve Type



## **Bicuspid Considerations**

Bicuspid anatomies can show an increased calcification burden and root calcification asymmetries

 Increased calcification burden<sup>1</sup>

 Asymmetric calcification<sup>2</sup>



1. Tchetche, D., de Biase C., et al. (2019). Bicuspid Aortic Valve Anatomy and Relationship With Devices: The BAVARD Multicenter Registry. Circulation: Cardiovascular Interventions, 12:e007107. doi: 10.1161/CIRCINTERVENTIONS.118.007107

2. Das R., Puri R. (2018). Transcatheter Treatment of Bicuspid Aortic Valve Disease: Imaging and Interventional Considerations. Front. Cardiovasc. Med. 5:91. doi: 10.3389/fcvm.2018.00091

### Bicuspid Aortic Valve Morphology and Outcomes After Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement



#### Paravalvular Aortic Regurgitation Stratified by Morphological Features



Yoon S-H, et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol*. 2020;76(9):1018-1030.

# Outcomes according to phenotype in low-risk patients by valve type







#### JAMA | Original Investigation

### Association Between Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement for Bicuspid vs Tricuspid Aortic Stenosis and Mortality or Stroke Among Patients at Low Surgical Risk



Makkar RR, et al. JAMA 2021; 326: 1034-1044.

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**JACC: Cardiovascular Interventions** 

The PARTNER 3 Bicuspid Registry for Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement in Low-Surgical-Risk Patients



169 patients enrolled (out of 320)

Mean age 71.0 years

45% Female

85.8% Sievers type I

STS score 1.4%

Williams MR, et al. JACC Intv. 2022;15:523-532.



**JACC: Cardiovascular Interventions** 

The PARTNER 3 Bicuspid Registry for Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement in Low-Surgical-Risk Patients



#### **30 Day Outcomes**

Death		0.0%	
Stroke		1.2%	
Pacemaker		6.5%	
Conversion		0.0%	
AI	None/Trace		71.8%
	Mild		26.3%
	>Mild		1.9%

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### **Simple CATH**

Gold standard cath measures directly the difference in **pressure** across the valve





### **Complex ECHO**

Highly complex and measures **velocity**, not pressure



Peak pressure gradient =  $4\sqrt{2}$ 

## Velocity – flow patterns matter

Laminar flow

An **efficient** design results in laminar flow and maintained velocity between the LV and the aorta.



Laminar flow = higher velocity



### **Turbulent flow**

An **inefficient** design results in turbulent flow and inconsistent velocity between LV and the aorta.



Turbulent flow = lower velocity

Lower echo derived gradient

Because laminar flow maintains velocity, **echo overestimates the pressure gradient in a valve with laminar flow** compared to a valve with turbulent flow perversely rewarding valve design with turbulent flow.

## Important to Understand Limitations of Echo-Derived **AV Gradients to Avoid Unnecessary Interventions**



Criteria for Evaluating Moderate or Severe Increases in Echo-derived Pressure Gradient Post-TAVR



If echo-derived gradients do not correlate to outcomes then choice of AVR should not be solely made on this information

If modality for monitoring patients has limitations, a caution needs to be applied in interpretation

Severe: Increase MG ≥ 20 mmHg resulting in MG ≥ 30 mmHg

Always consider echo discordance during follow-up when echo gradients are unexpectedly high, especially in smaller valves and VIV.

Courtesy: Dr. David Wood