

When should we consider the percutaneous and/or hybrid deep venous arterialization for CLTI patients?

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Surgical wounds directly impact the outcome, length of hospital stay, costs, and quality of life



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Baseline



GSV in situ

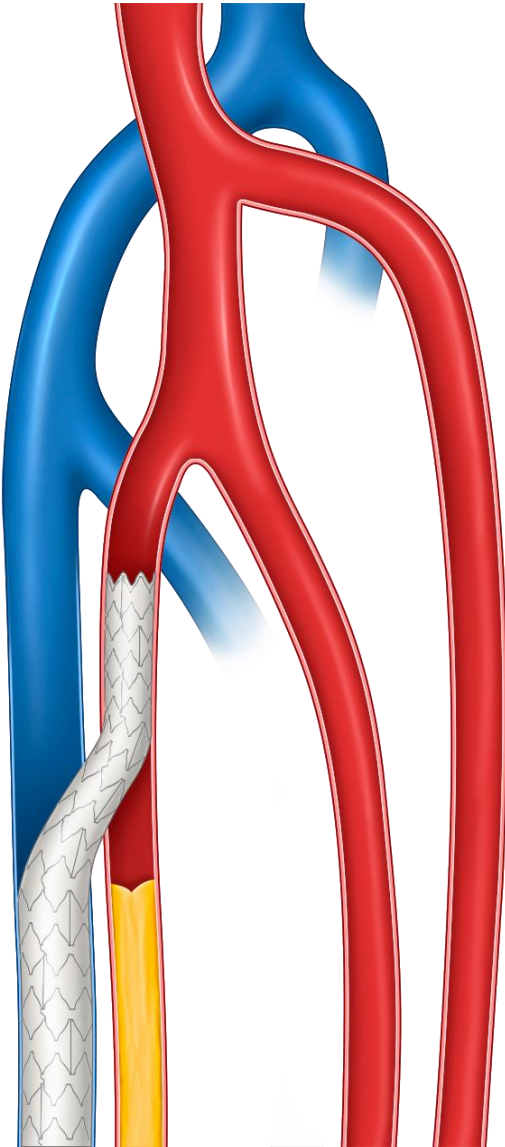


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Factors affecting the amount of shunting



Arterial inflow pressure

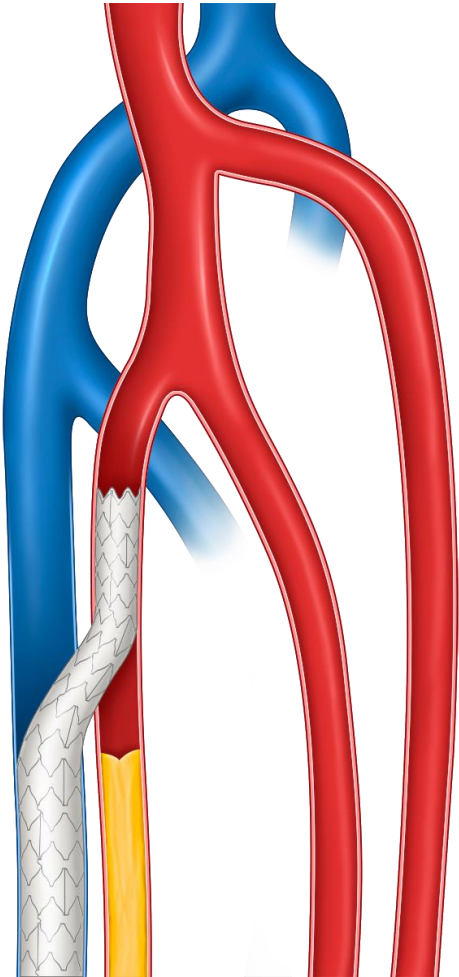
Arterial outflow resistance

Venous outflow resistance

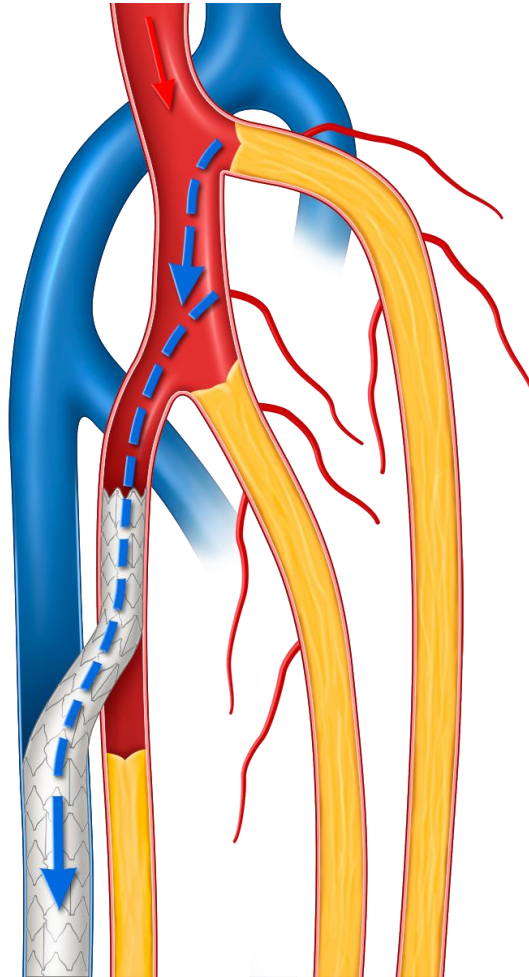
Diameter (size) of shunt

Distance between last arterial collateral and crossover point

Effect of different degree of disease (resistance)



Less disease
→ *less shunting*

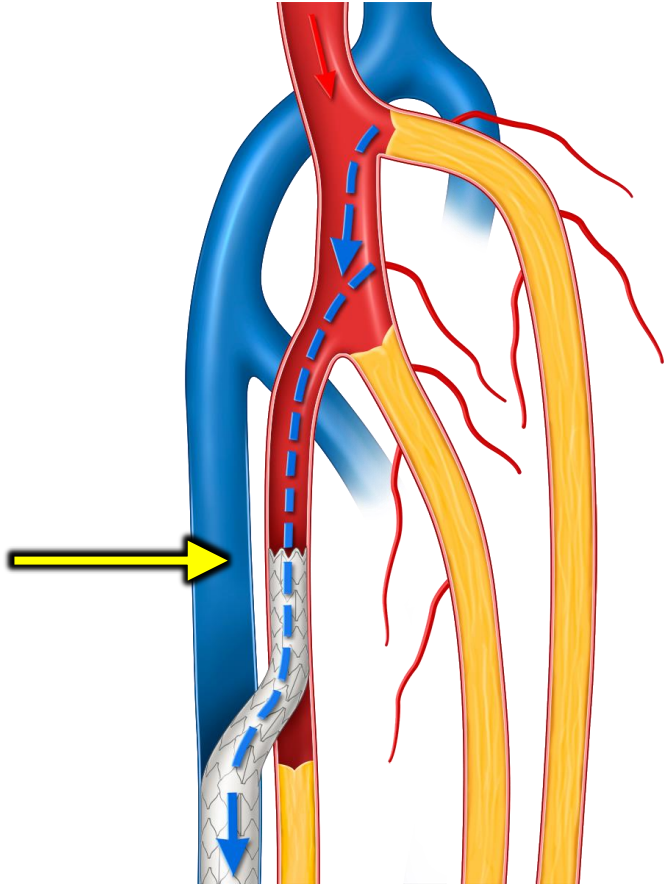


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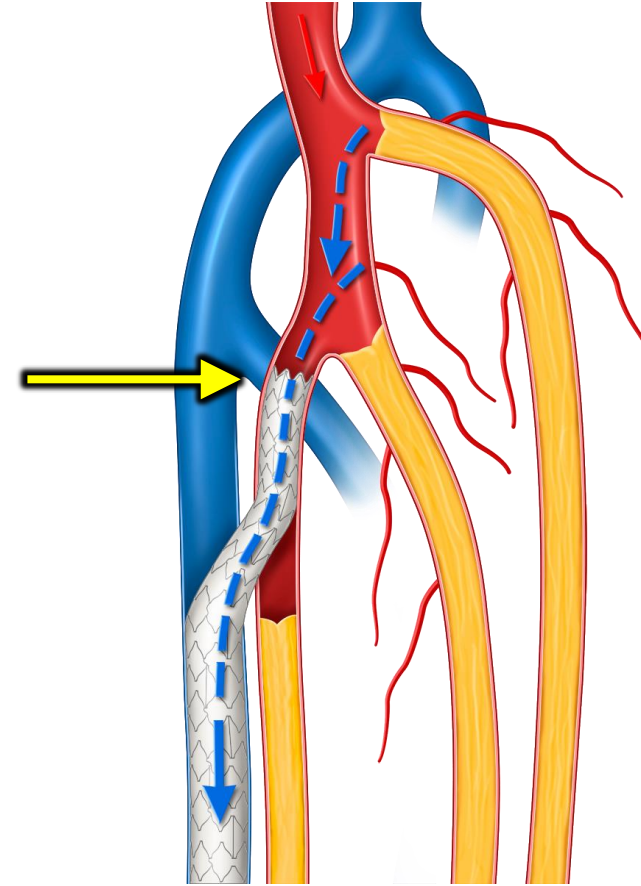
The poorer the residual tissue flow (= deeper ischemia!), the higher the risk of steal effect after FVA leading to sudden deterioration of pain and tissue lesion

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Effect of different level of crossing



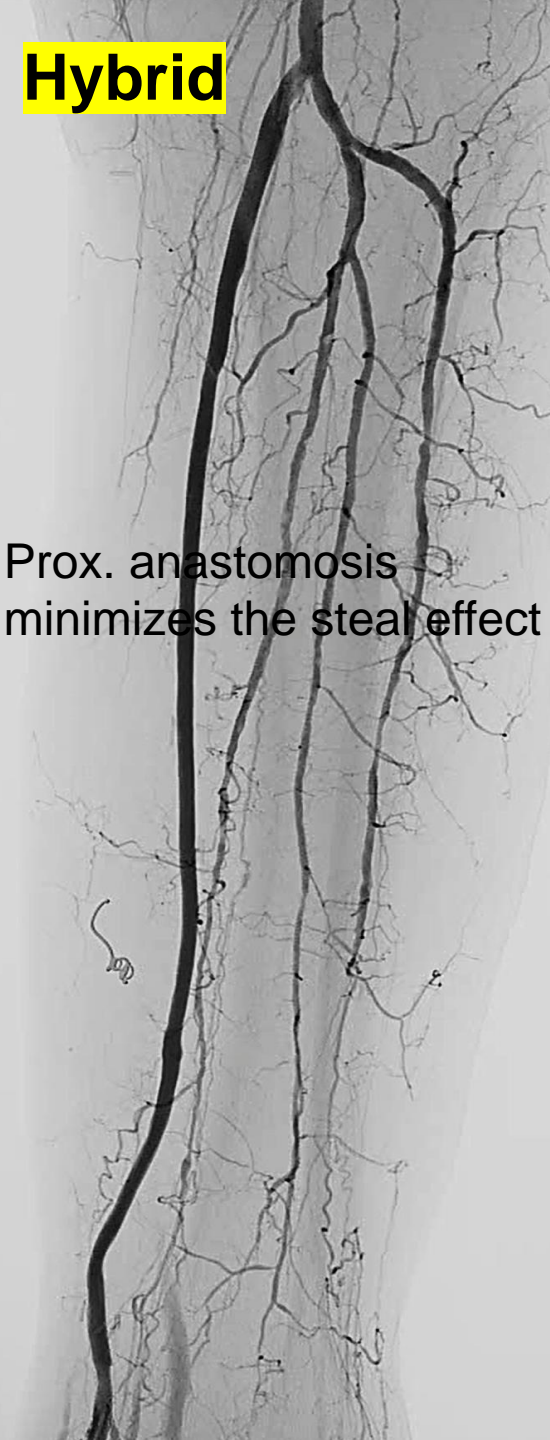
*Less shunting when
crossover point is more distal*



*More shunting when crossover
point is more proximal*

Hybrid

Prox. anastomosis
minimizes the steal effect

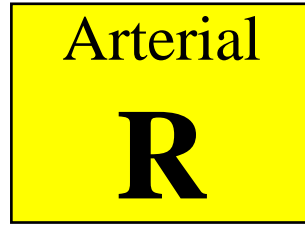


Percutaneous procedures

Arterial

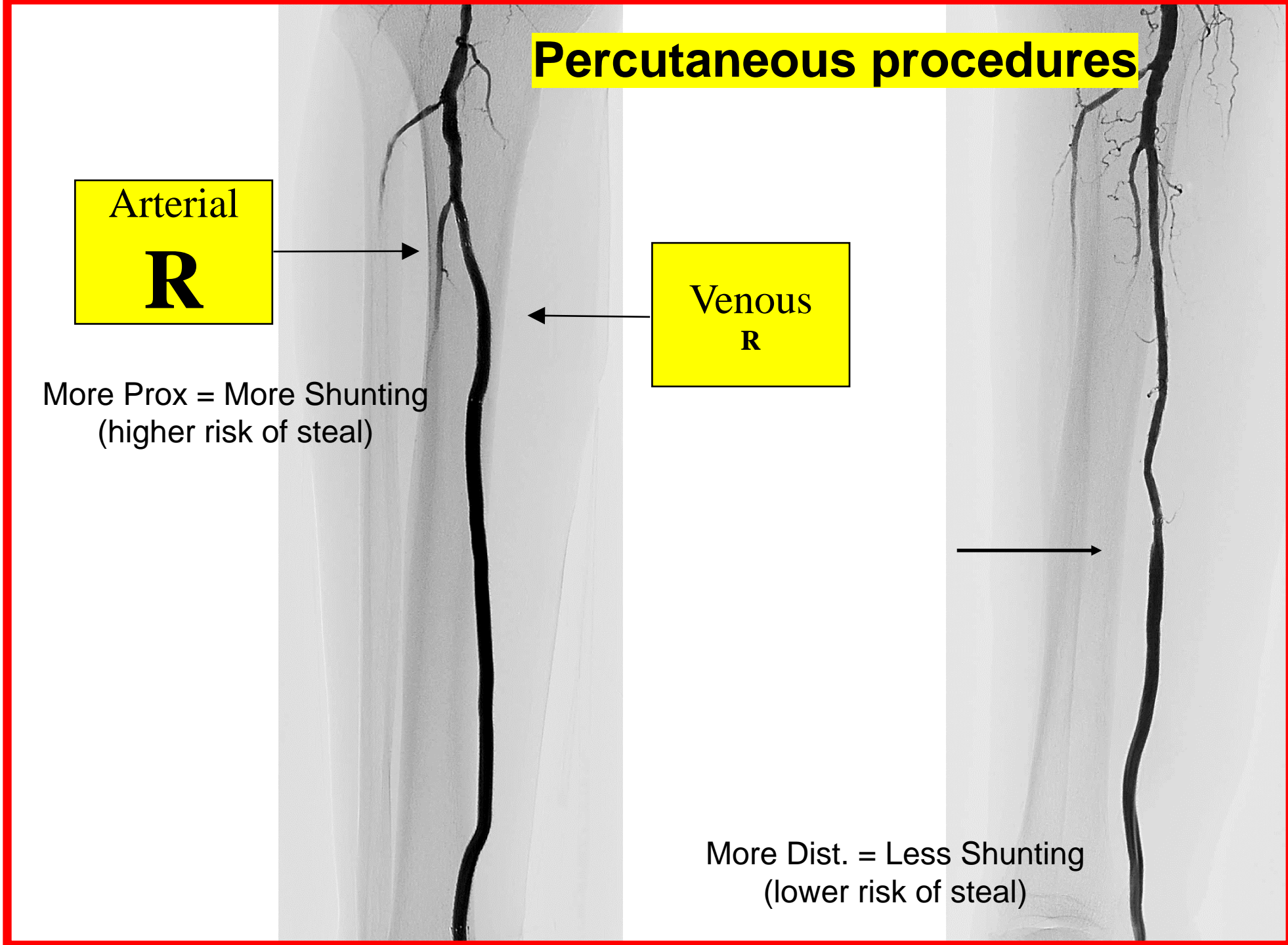
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More Prox = More Shunting
(higher risk of steal)



Venous
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More Dist. = Less Shunting
(lower risk of steal)



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Hybrid approach:

Prox. anastomosis better preserves the baseline foot perfusion



Residual circulation: PTA



Percutaneous approach

Crossing site must be chosen according to residual function of BTK vessels

- Male, 63yo
- T2DM
- CAD
- PAD: multiple BTK interventions (ATA, PTA)







Percutaneous Procedure



Baseline



day 1



day 2



day 4



day 5





The image consists of three panels of medical imaging, likely angiograms, showing the arterial system of a limb. The left panel shows a large artery with a red circle highlighting a specific area. The middle panel shows a similar view with a red arrow pointing to a specific point of occlusion. The right panel shows a more complex view of the arterial network, with a red arrow pointing to a specific point of occlusion. A red line connects the text box to the occlusion point in the right panel.

**occlusion of the last remaining
source of circulation to the foot**

**The arterialization process takes weeks to mature
During this time, foot perfusion relies on the baseline arterial circulation
The residual function of BTK vessels must be preserved!**

LimFlow procedure

Distal crossing Mid PTA-PTV

**Distal AV-crossing
Less shunting
can minimize steal effect**



Proximal crossing point:
More shunt, higher risk of steal
Increased risk of impairing the residual perfusion of the foot

Crossing point:

Communicating branch of fibular artery – PTV



Hybrid Vs Percutaneous approach for DVA in CLTI

Final Considerations

The hybrid approach is influenced by the availability and quality of veins.

Surgical wounds can lead to severe complications.

Endovascular procedures are limited by high direct costs.

The hybrid approach is unaffected by ATK disease since proximal anastomosis can be performed at various levels.

The degree of BTK disease and foot perfusion patterns must be carefully evaluated, particularly when choosing a percutaneous approach

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Conclusion

Promising results after FVA among a large population of no-option CLTI patients.

In high-risk patients, pFVA is a feasible option with favorable limb salvage and wound healing rates.

	Surgical FVA	Percutaneous FVA	Total FVA
N° studies	16	11	27
N° pts/limbs	463/503	290/290	753/793
Mean age yy	65	71	67
CKD-HD	19%	22%	20%
RTF 5-6	86%	98%	91%
6 mm limb salvage	78%	82%	77%
12 mm limb salvage	74%	79%	76%
12 mm survival	95%	87%	87%
6 mm wound healing	nr	48%	-
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