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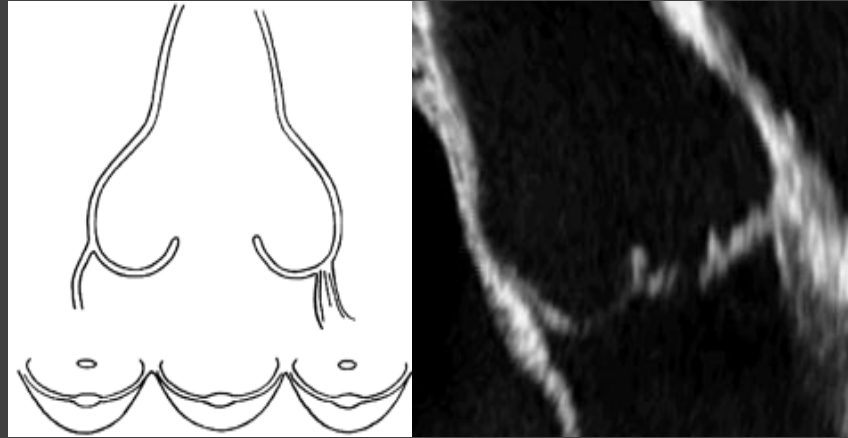
Aortic Valve Repair: State of the art

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AV repair: the origine of annuloplasty

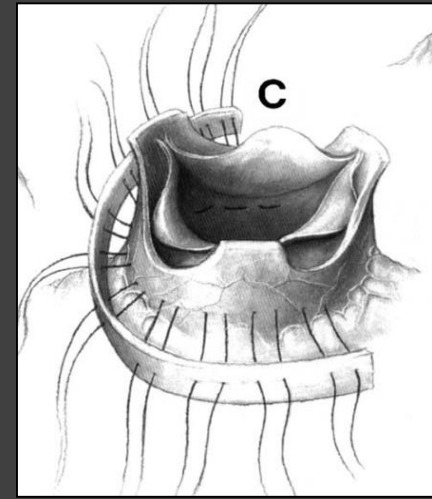
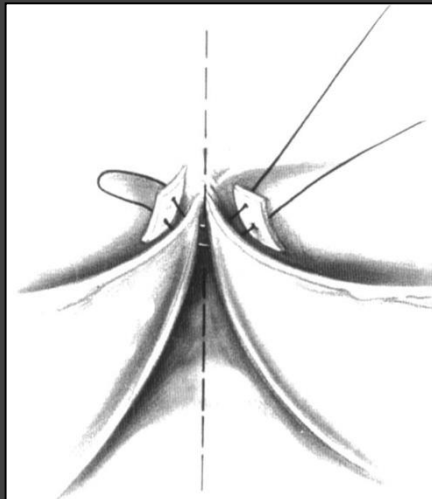
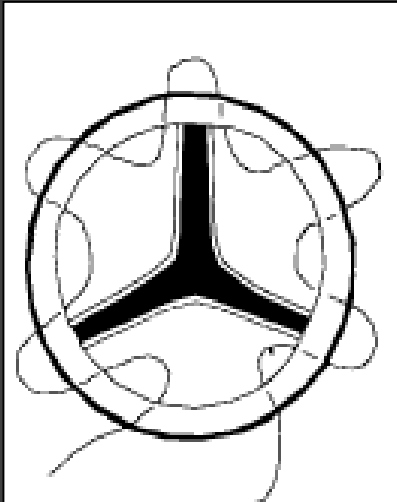


Circumclusion
Taylor 1958
Carpentier 1990

Commissural annoplasty
Cabrol 1966
Cosgrove 1991
Duran 1996

Reimplantation
T. David 1992

Partial external band
T. David 1996



AV repair: the origine of cusp repair

80ties_90ties:

Trusler, Duran, Cosgrove, Fraser, Tolan, Kadri

Commissurotomy



Fig. 1 - Debridement of cusps and aortic valve commissurotomy.

Commissural Cusp plication

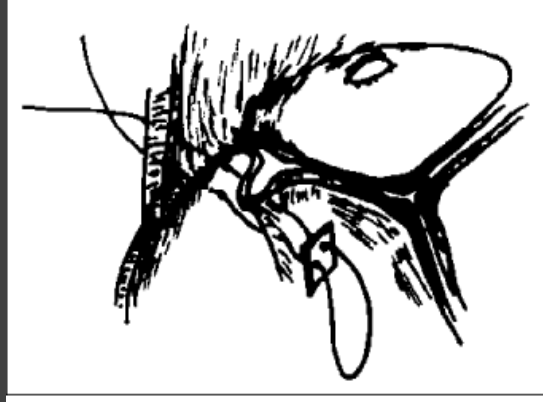
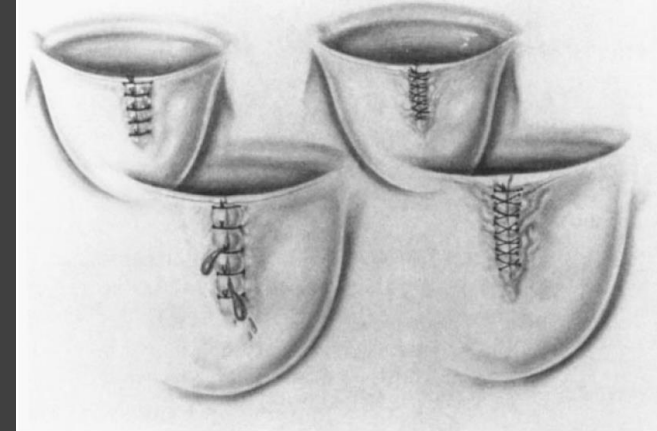
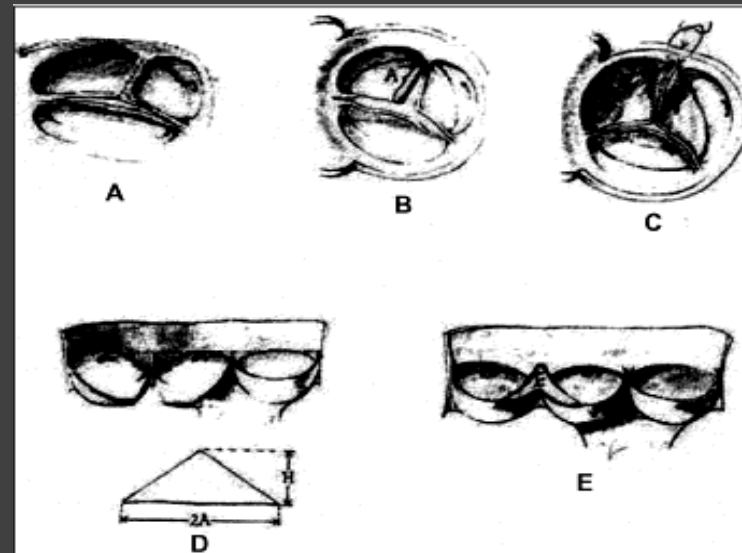


Fig. 3 - Resuspension of the redundant free edge of aortic cusp.

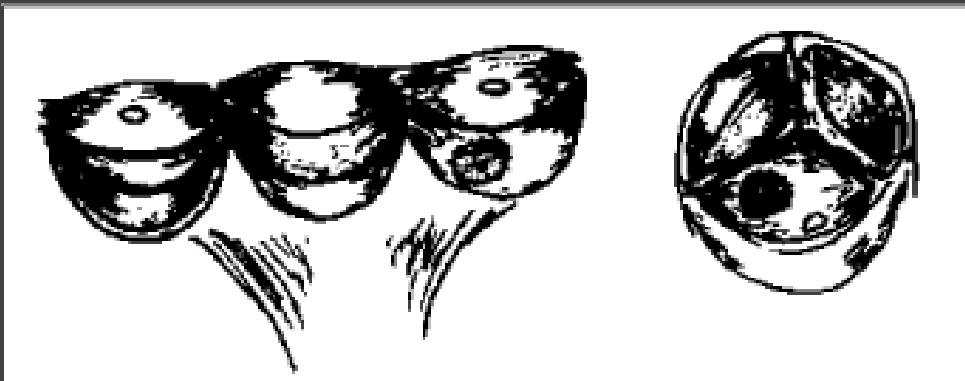
Central Cusp plication



Commissure restoration with patch



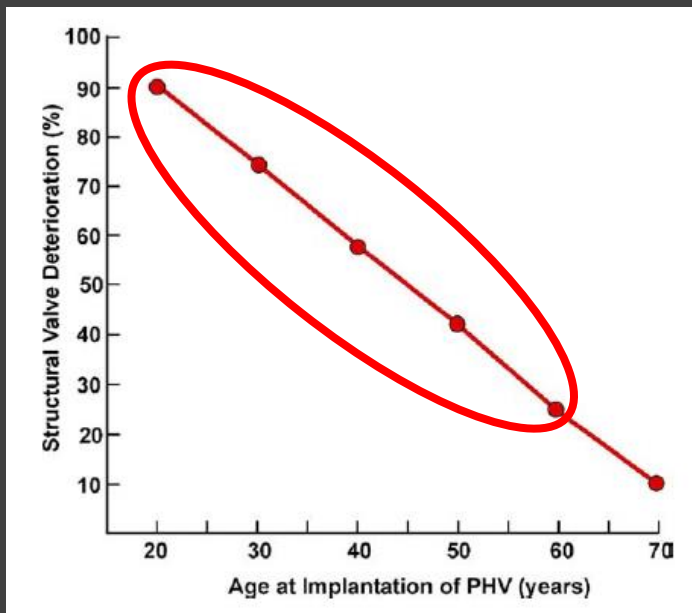
Perforation closure with patch



Patients selection for AV repair

- 1. Paediatric
- 2. Young adults

Main TARGET of AV repair



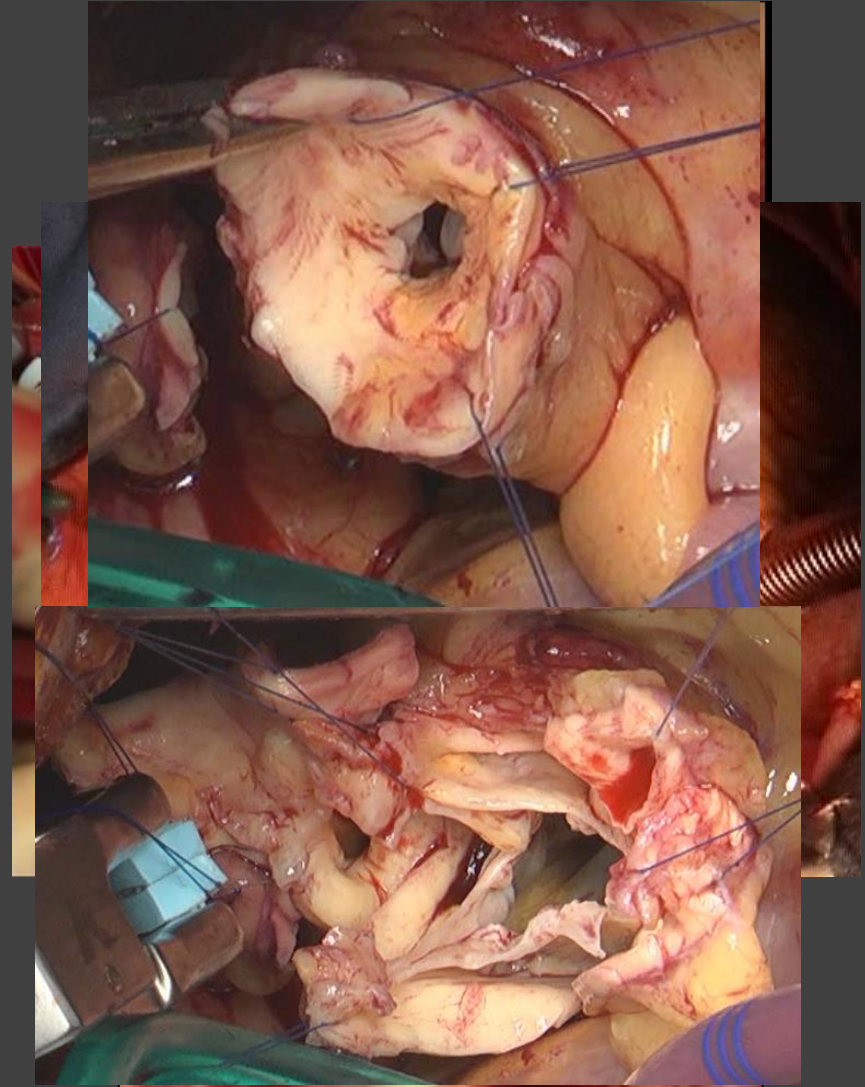
Pathologies treated by AV repair

1. Aortic insufficiency
2. Aortic root and ascending aorta dilatation
3. (Congenital stenosis)

AV repair

Congenital etiologies

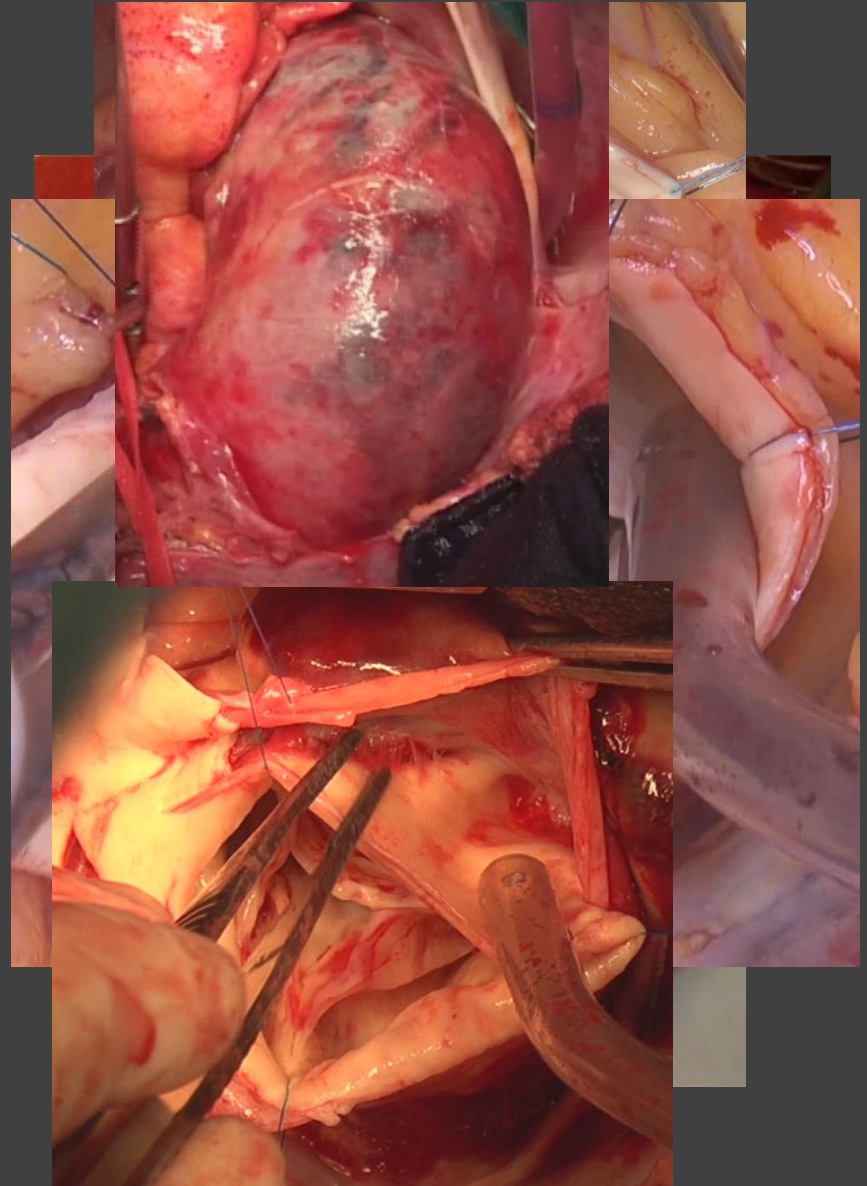
- Moncuspid
- Bicuspid
- Quadricuspid
- Connective tissue disorders
(Marfan, Loeys-Dietz, Ehler-Danlos, Familial Aneurysmal disease, ...)
- Supra-aortic stenosis



AV repair

Acquired pathologies

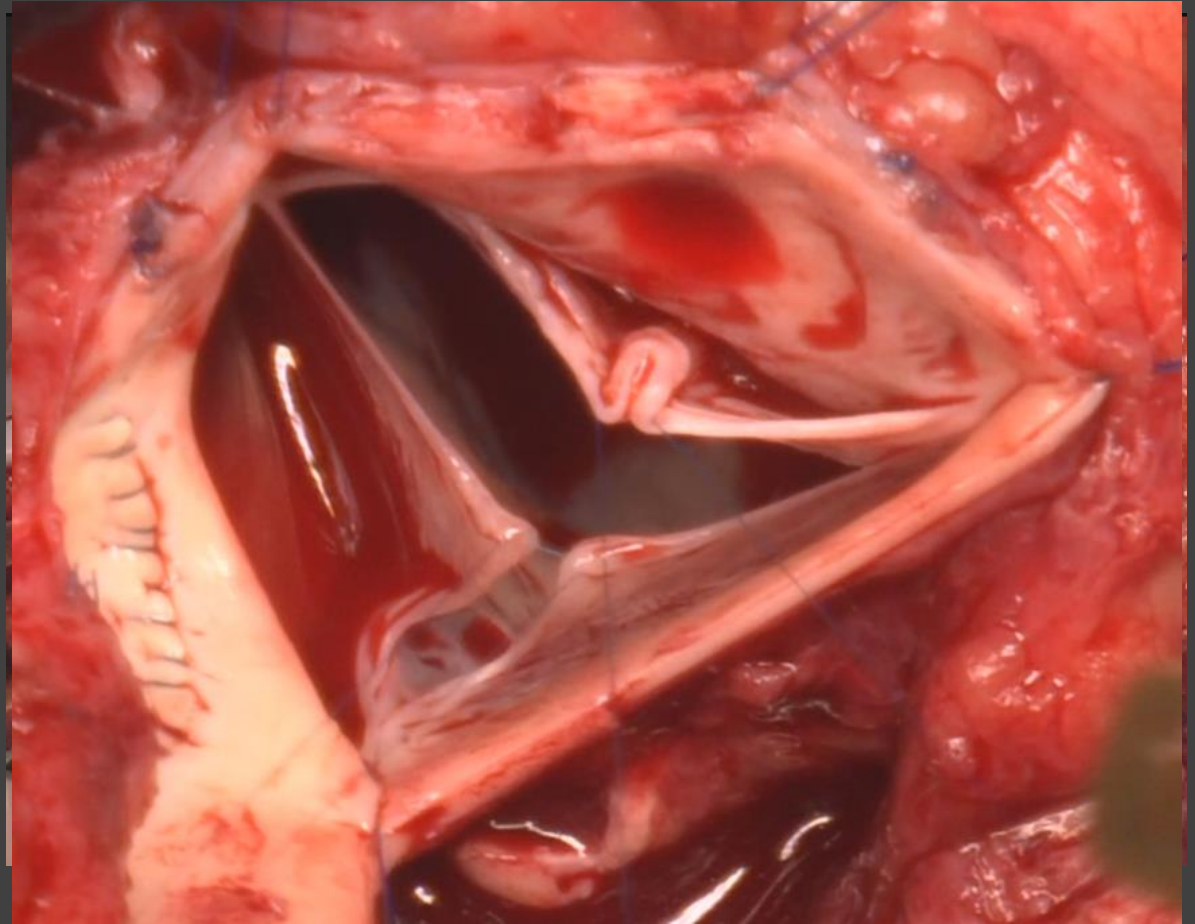
- Degenerative cusp
- Degenerative aortic aneurysm
(Atherosclerosis)
- Traumatic
- Infectious
- Acute aortic dissection



AV repair

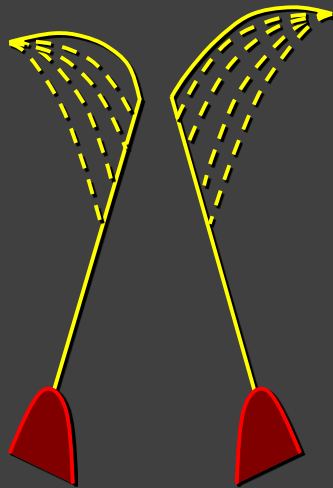
Redo

- Ross repair
- Re-repair



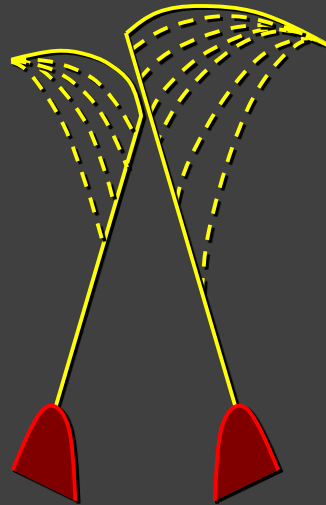
Classification of AV repair

Lesson from the mitral valve



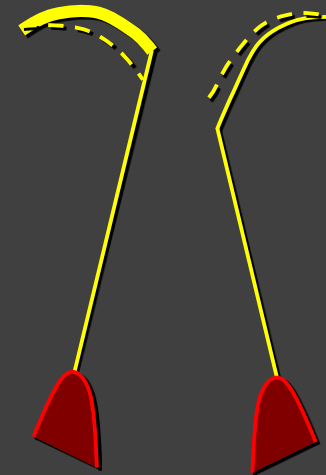
Type I

Annulus dilatation



Type II

Leaflet prolapse

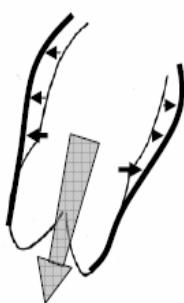
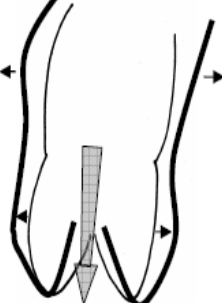
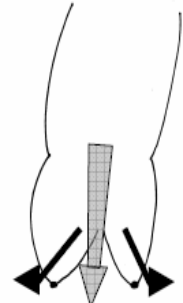
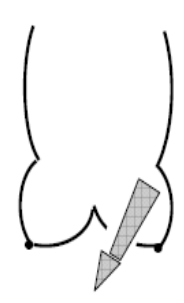
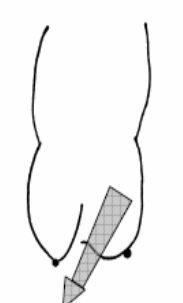
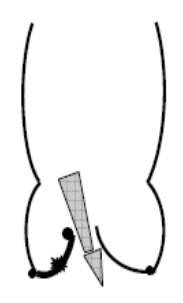


Type III a,b

Leaflet restrictive motion

A. Carpentier, 1983

Repair-oriented Functional Classification of AI

AI Class	Type I Normal cusp motion with FAA dilatation or cusp perforation				Type II Cusp Prolapse	Type III Cusp Restriction
	Ia	Ib	Ic	Id		
Mechanism						
Repair Techniques (Primary)	STJ remodeling <i>Ascending aortic graft</i>	Aortic Valve sparing: <i>Reimplantation or Remodeling with SCA</i>	SCA	Patch Repair <i>Autologous or bovine pericardium</i>	Prolapse Repair <i>Plication</i> <i>Triangular resection</i> <i>Free margin Resuspension</i> <i>Patch</i>	Leaflet Repair <i>Shaving</i> <i>Decalcification</i> <i>Patch</i>
(Secondary)	SCA		STJ Annuloplasty	SCA	SCA	SCA

Functional classification of aortic regurgitation

Mechanism of AV dysfunction

Type 1 AR

Type 1a

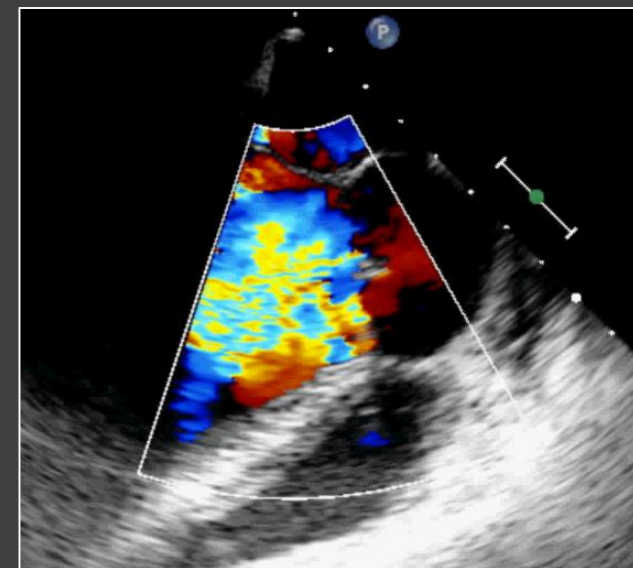
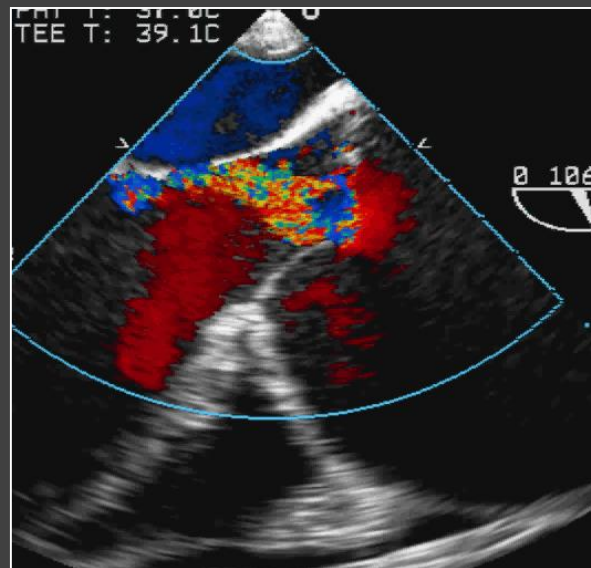
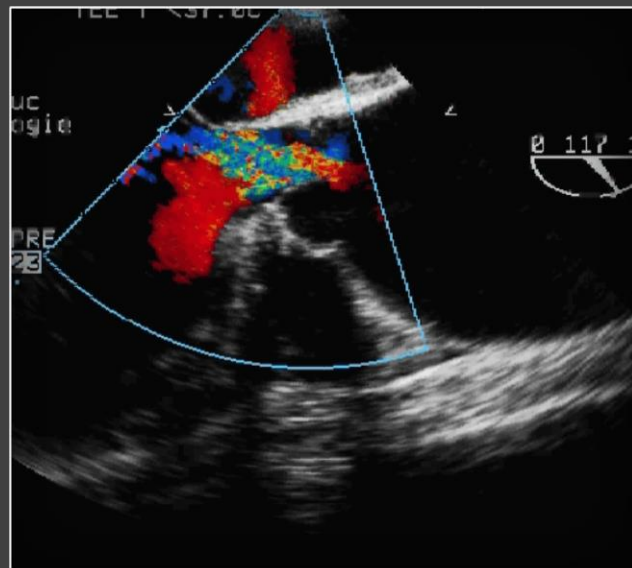
Asc Ao. (STJ)

Type 1b

Root (STJ + VAJ)

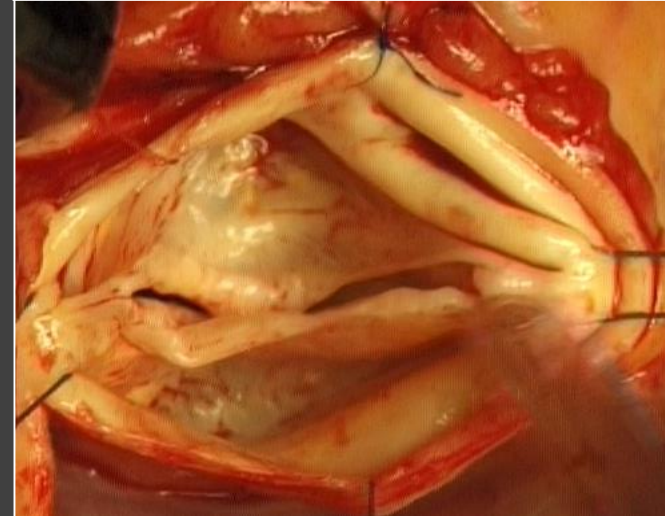
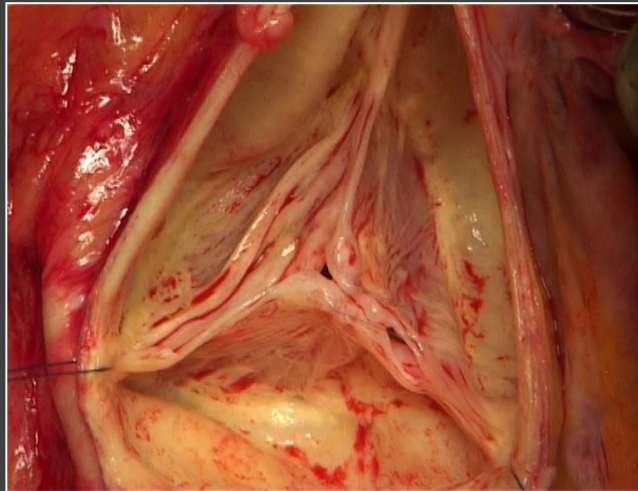
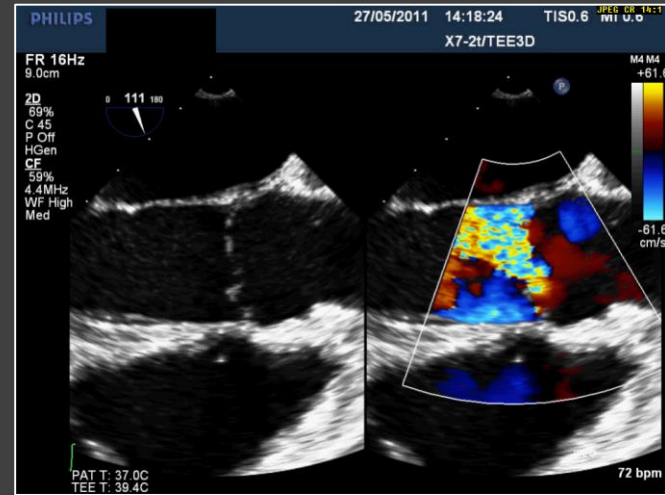
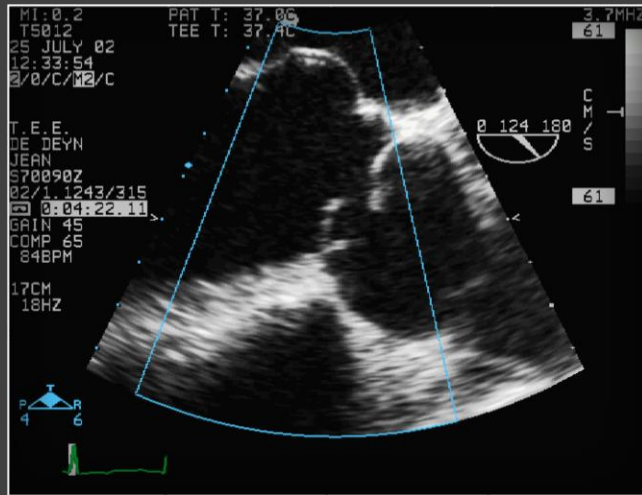
Type 1c

Annulus (VAJ)



AV Repair: Leaflets lesions

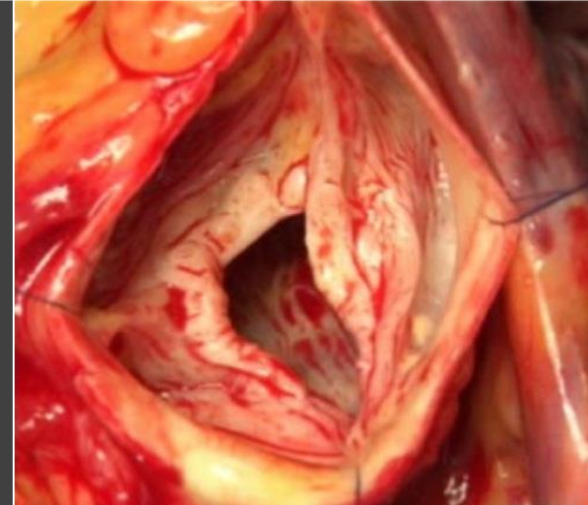
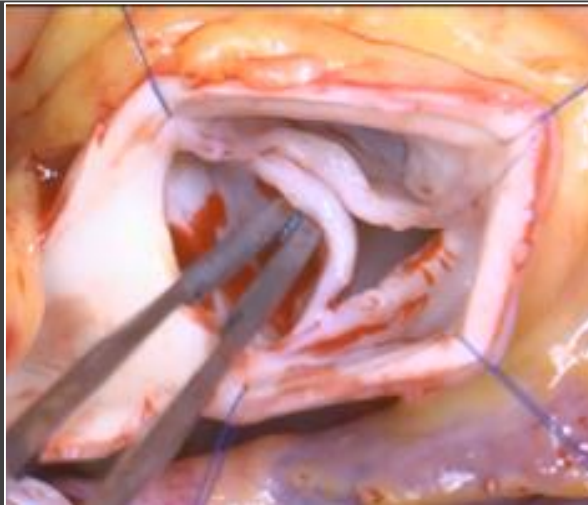
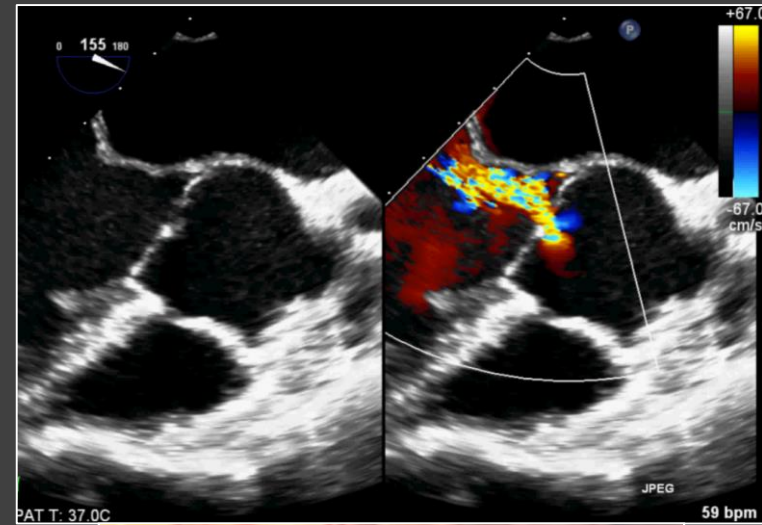
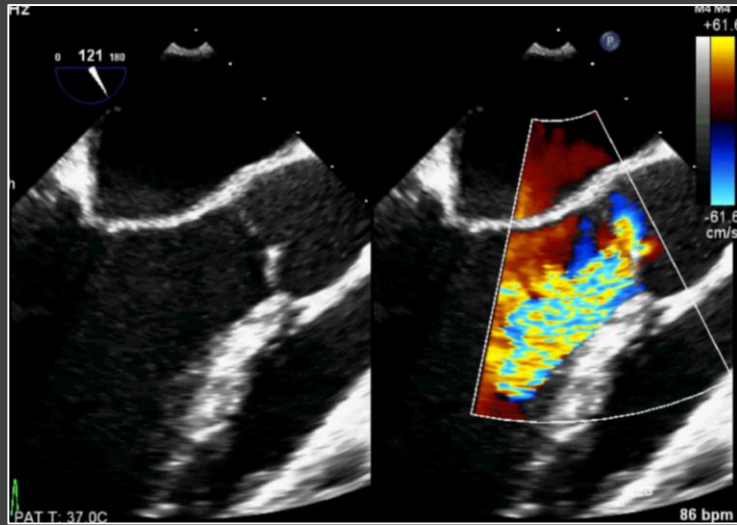
Type 2 AR: Cusp prolapse



Functional classification of aortic regurgitation

Mechanism of AV dysfunction

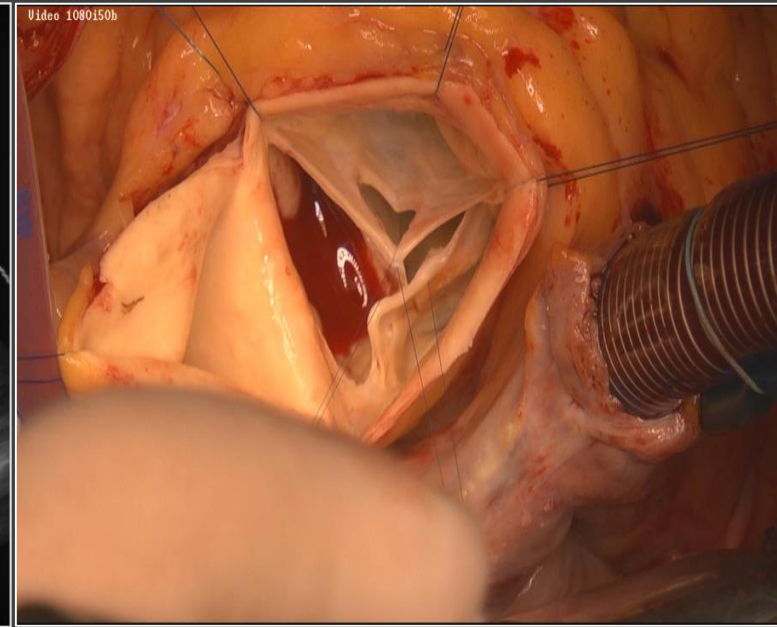
Type 3 AR: Restrictive cusp motion



Functional classification of aortic regurgitation

Mechanism of AV dysfunction

*Type 1d AR: Cusp perforation/defect
(no prolapse, no restriction)*



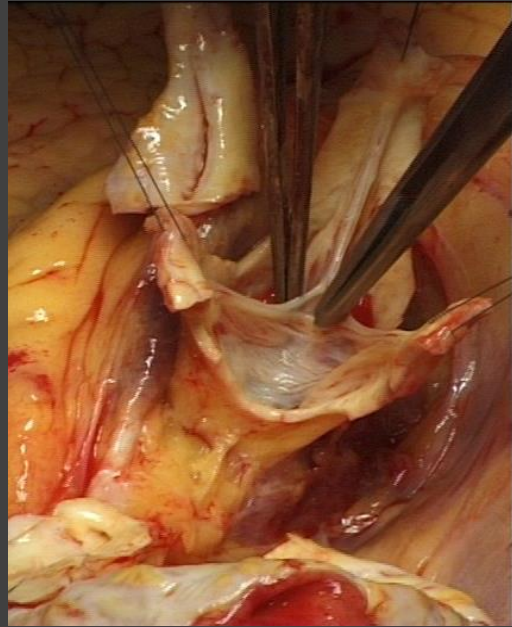
AV Repair: Techniques

- Type 1a → Asc ao replacement
- Type 1b → Valve Sparing Root Replacement
- Type 1c → Annuloplasty
- Type 2 & 3 → Cusp repair techniques

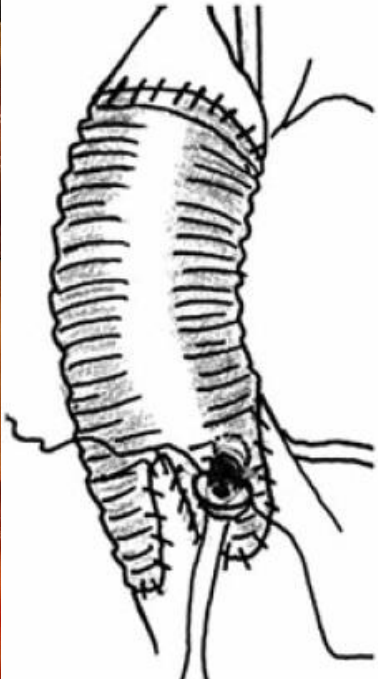
Aim of repair

- *To restore matching between cusp & AV orifice*
- *To create an optimal coaptation, stable over time*

AI Type 1b repair: Valve sparing root replacement



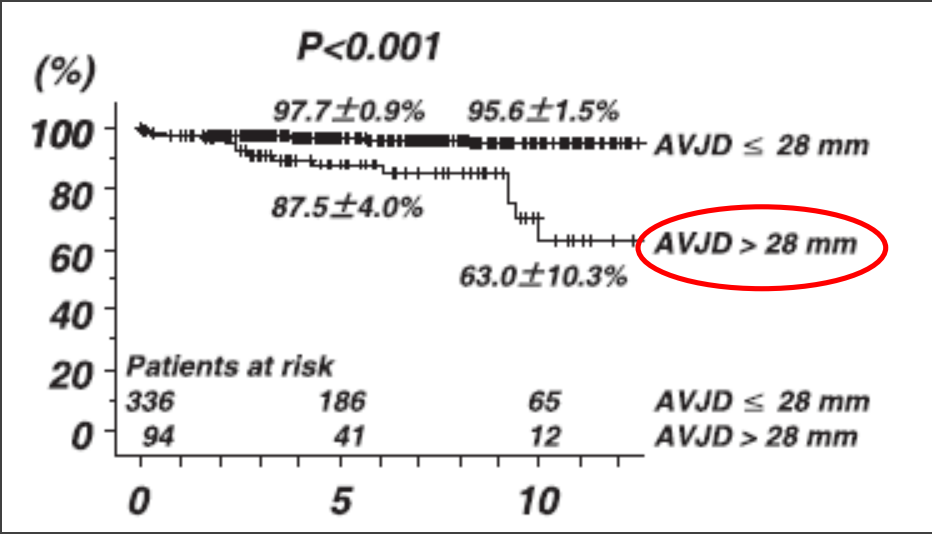
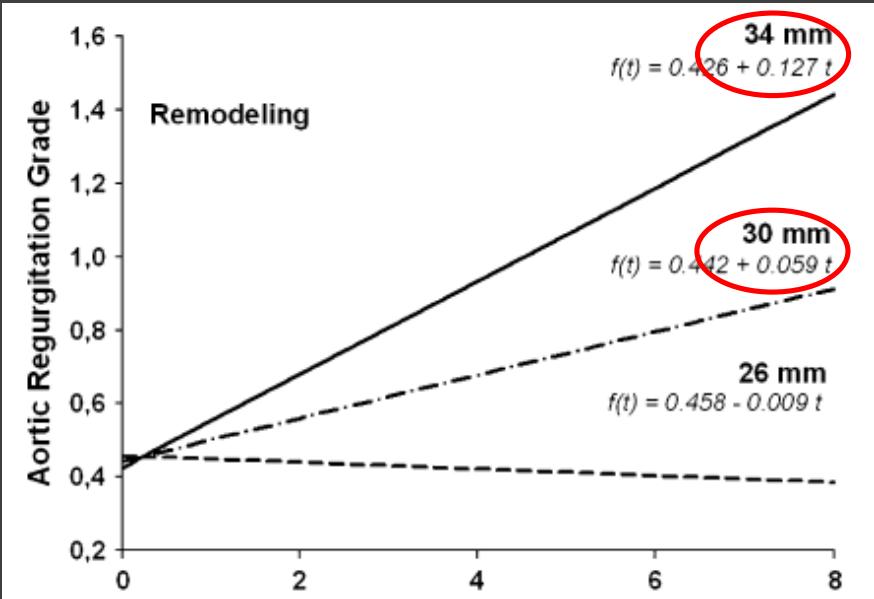
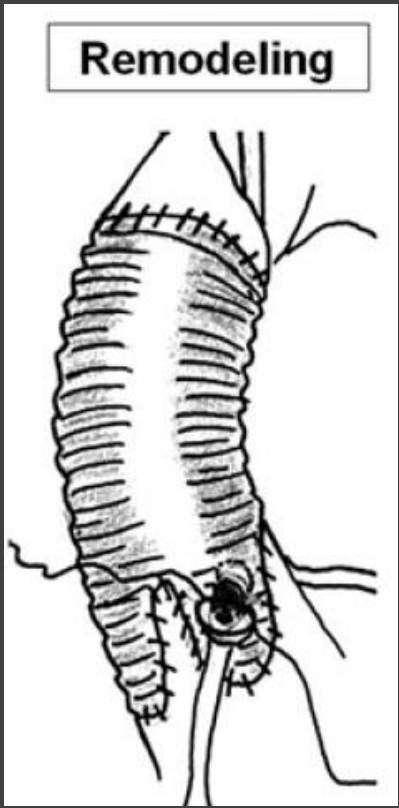
Remodeling



Reimplantation

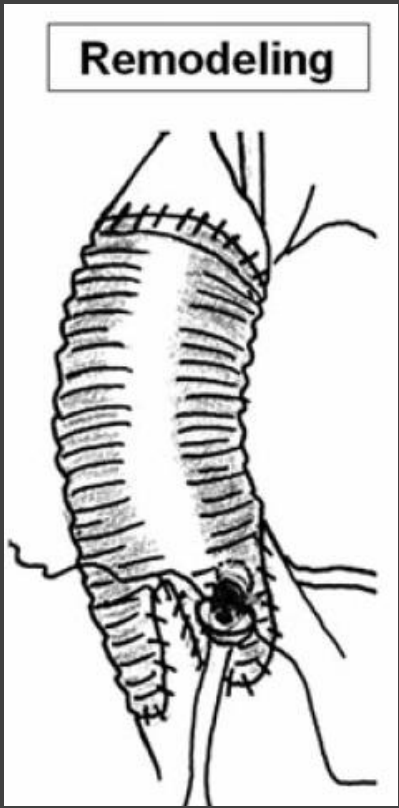


Evolution of the Remodeling technique



M. Yacoub

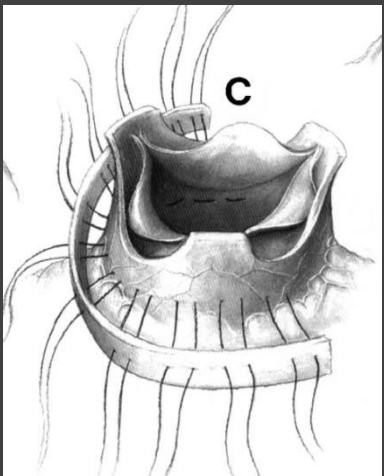
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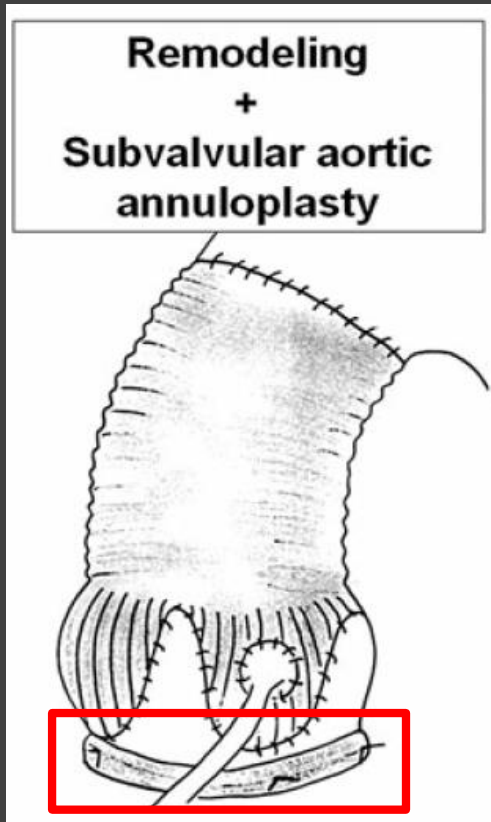
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Suture Anpl.



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Evolution of the Reimplantation technique

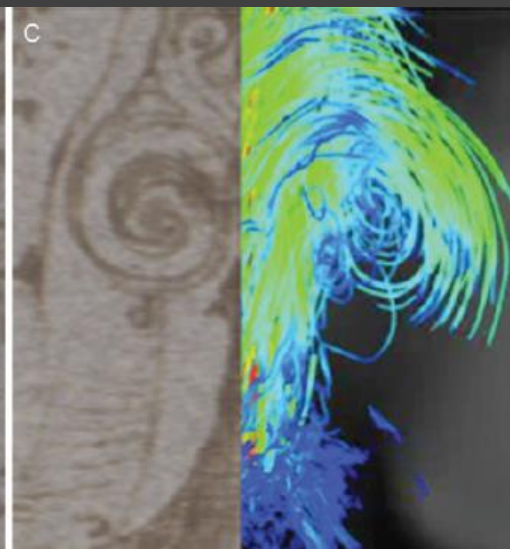
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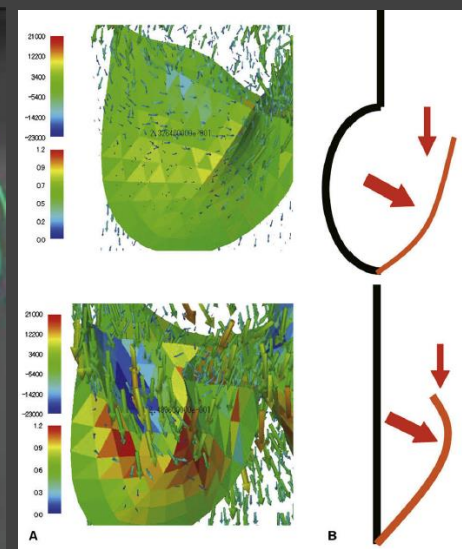
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L. da Vinci 1512



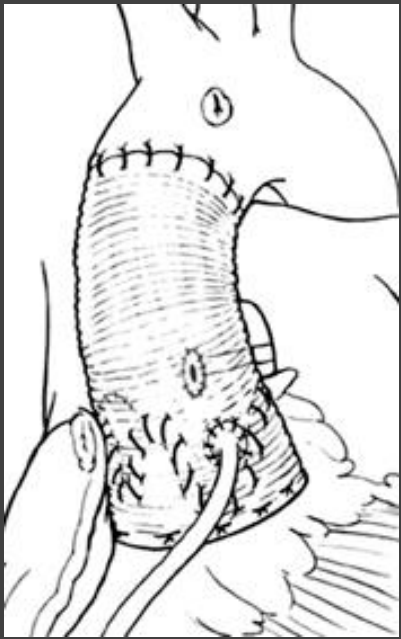
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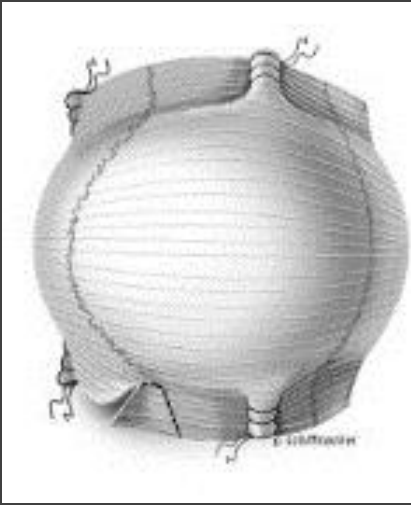
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Evolution of the Reimplantation technique

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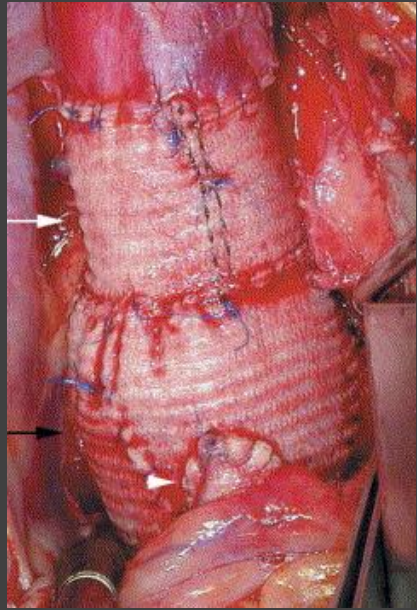


T. David 1992



T David "V"

Stanford Modification



C. Miller



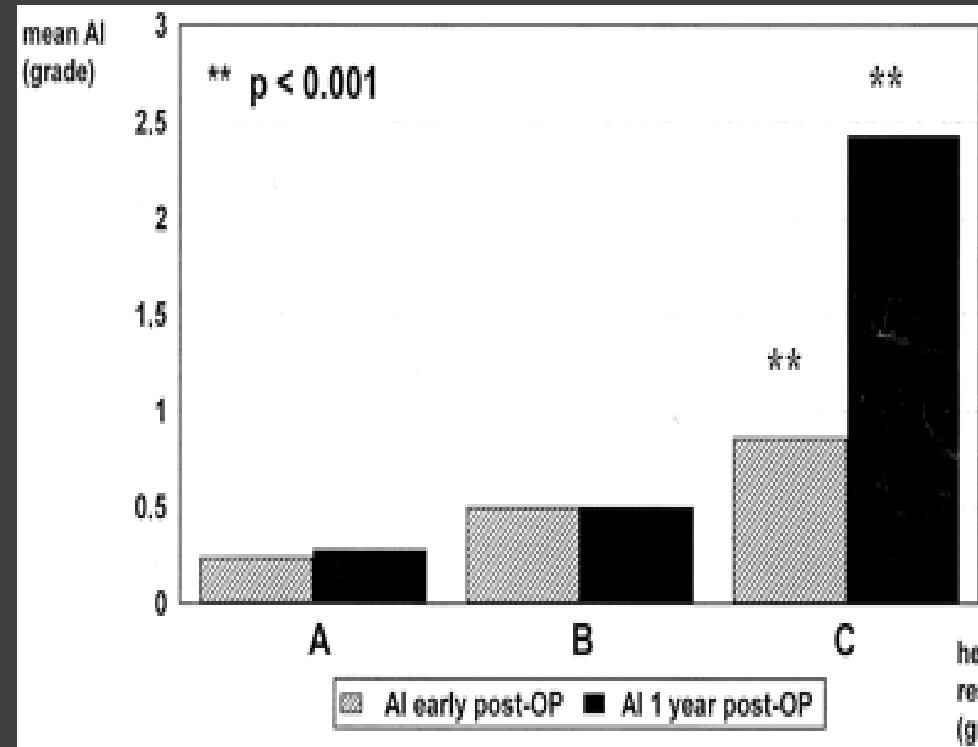
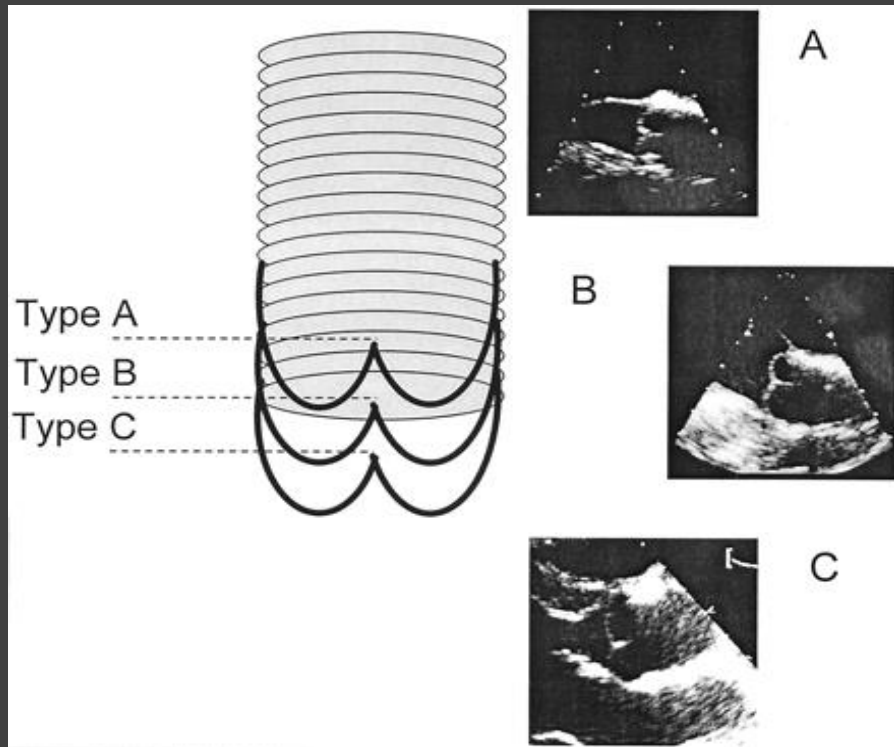
Cardiroot



Sinus prosthesis

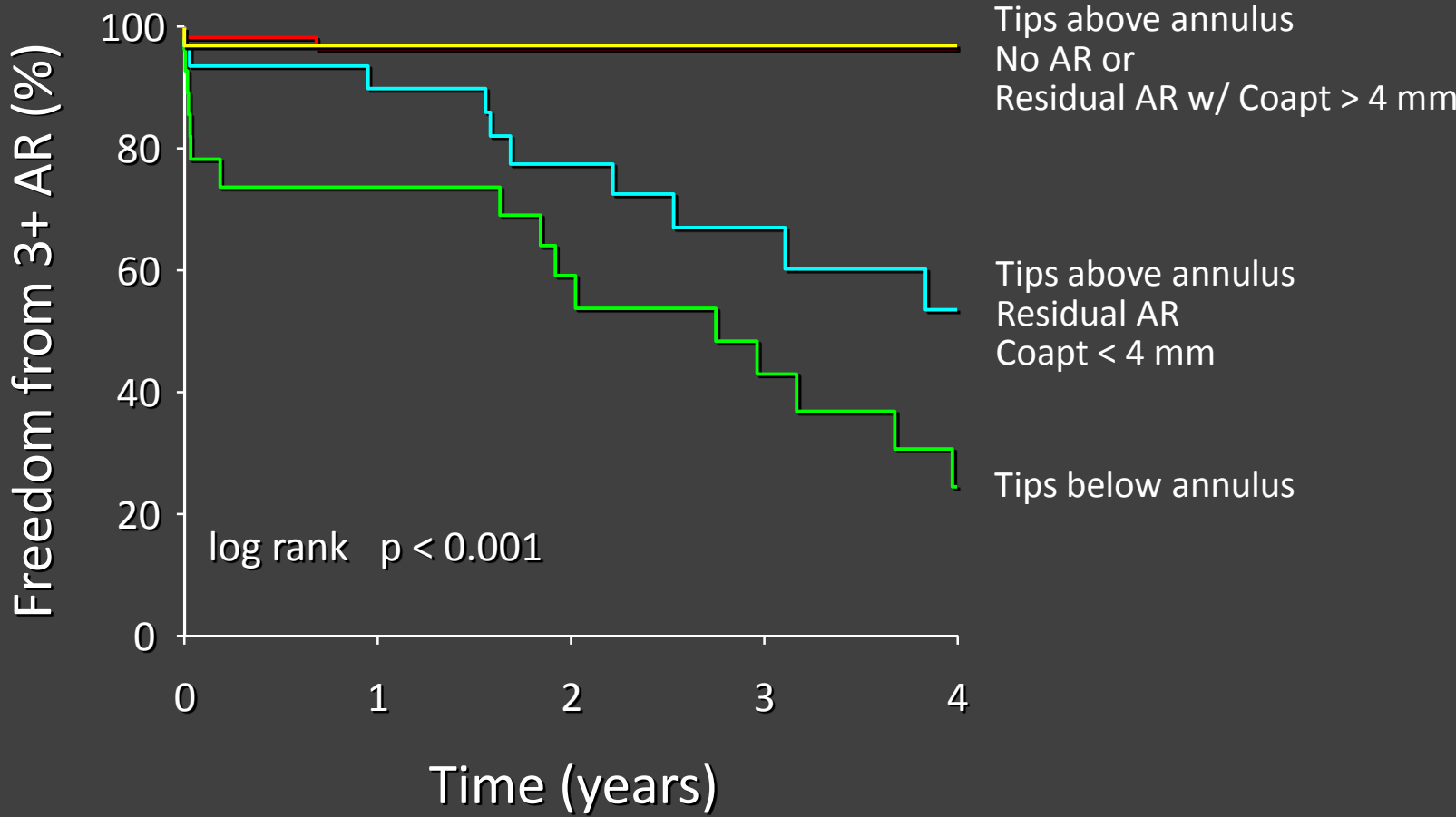
Predictors of recurrent AI

Coaptation height



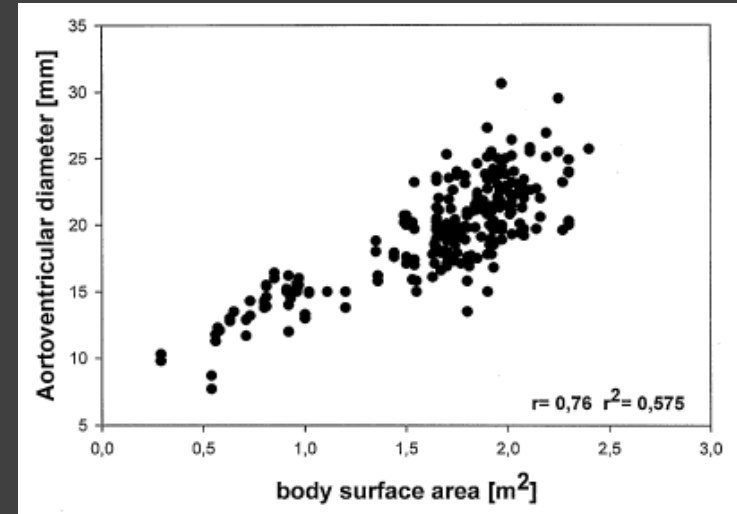
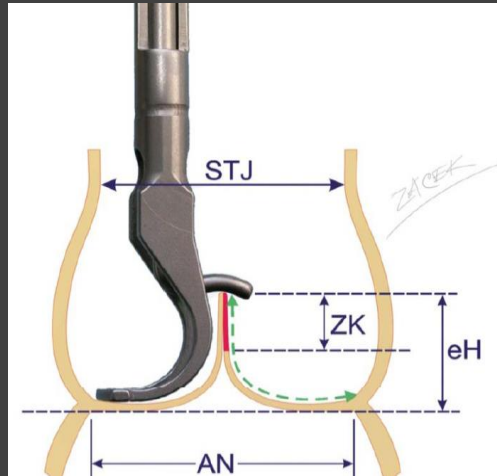
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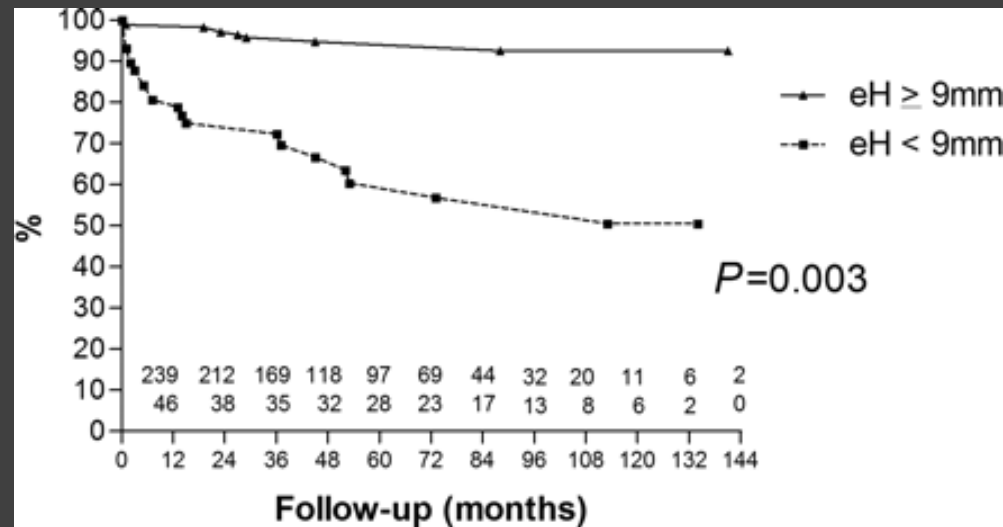


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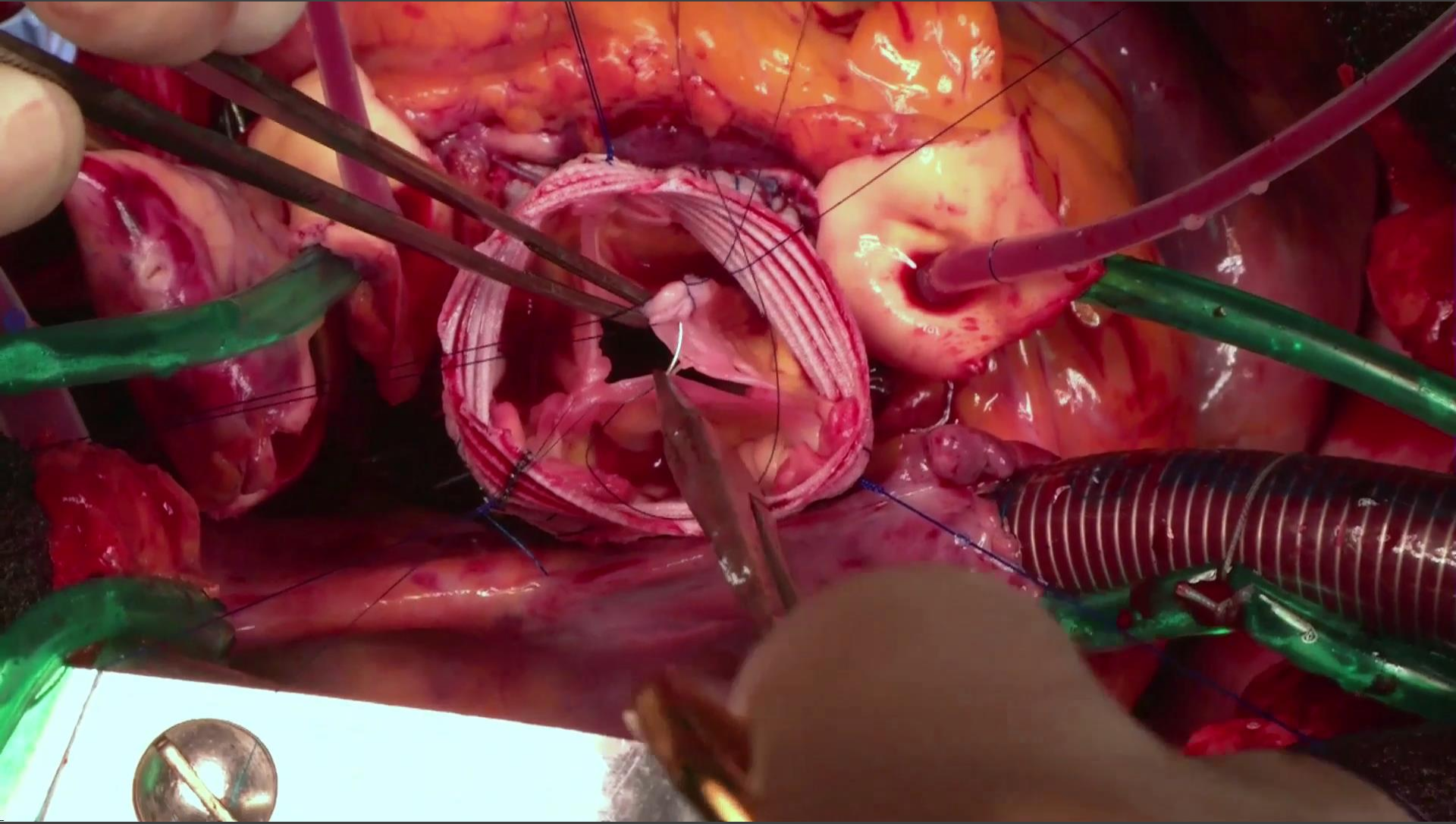


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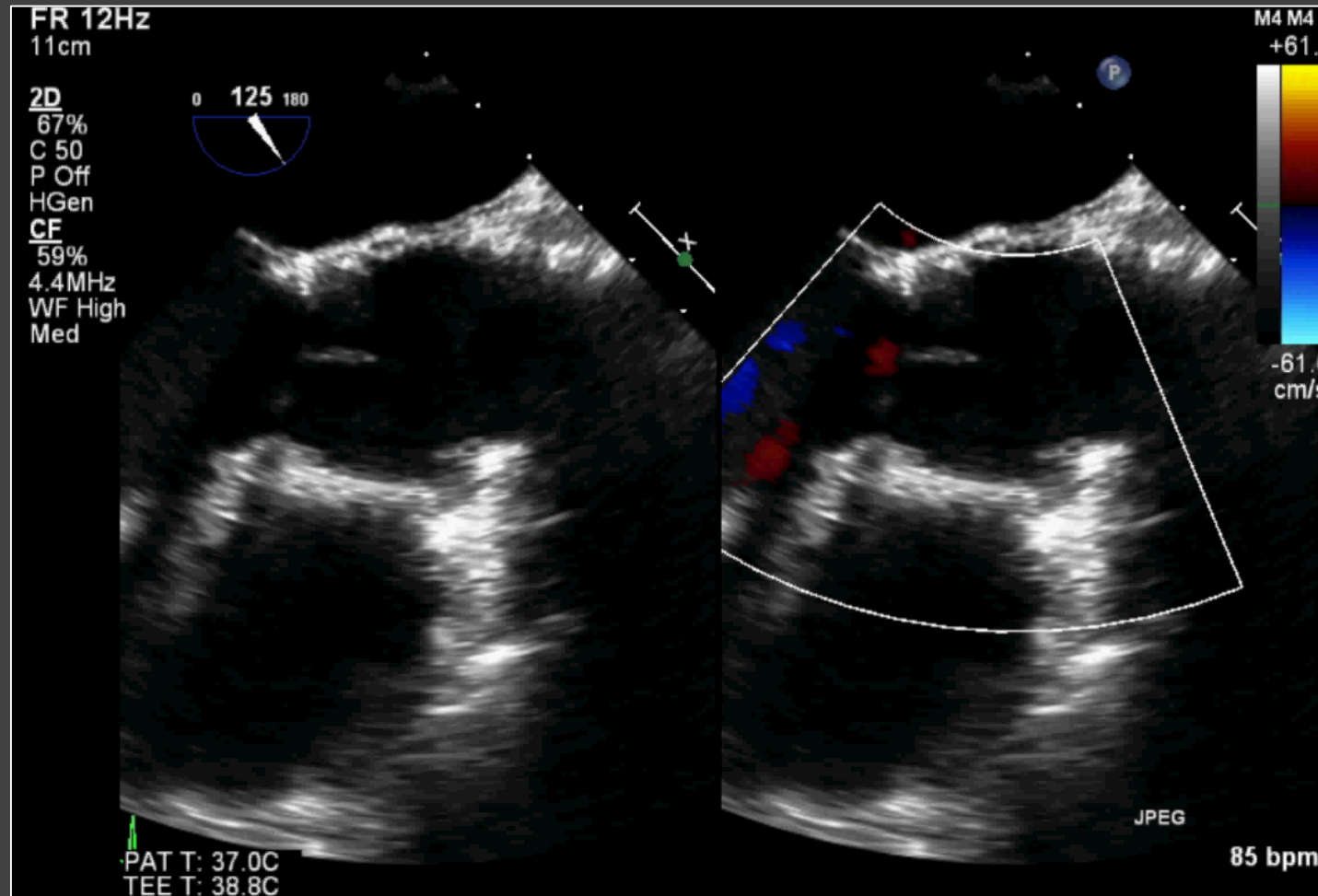
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Reimplantation Technique

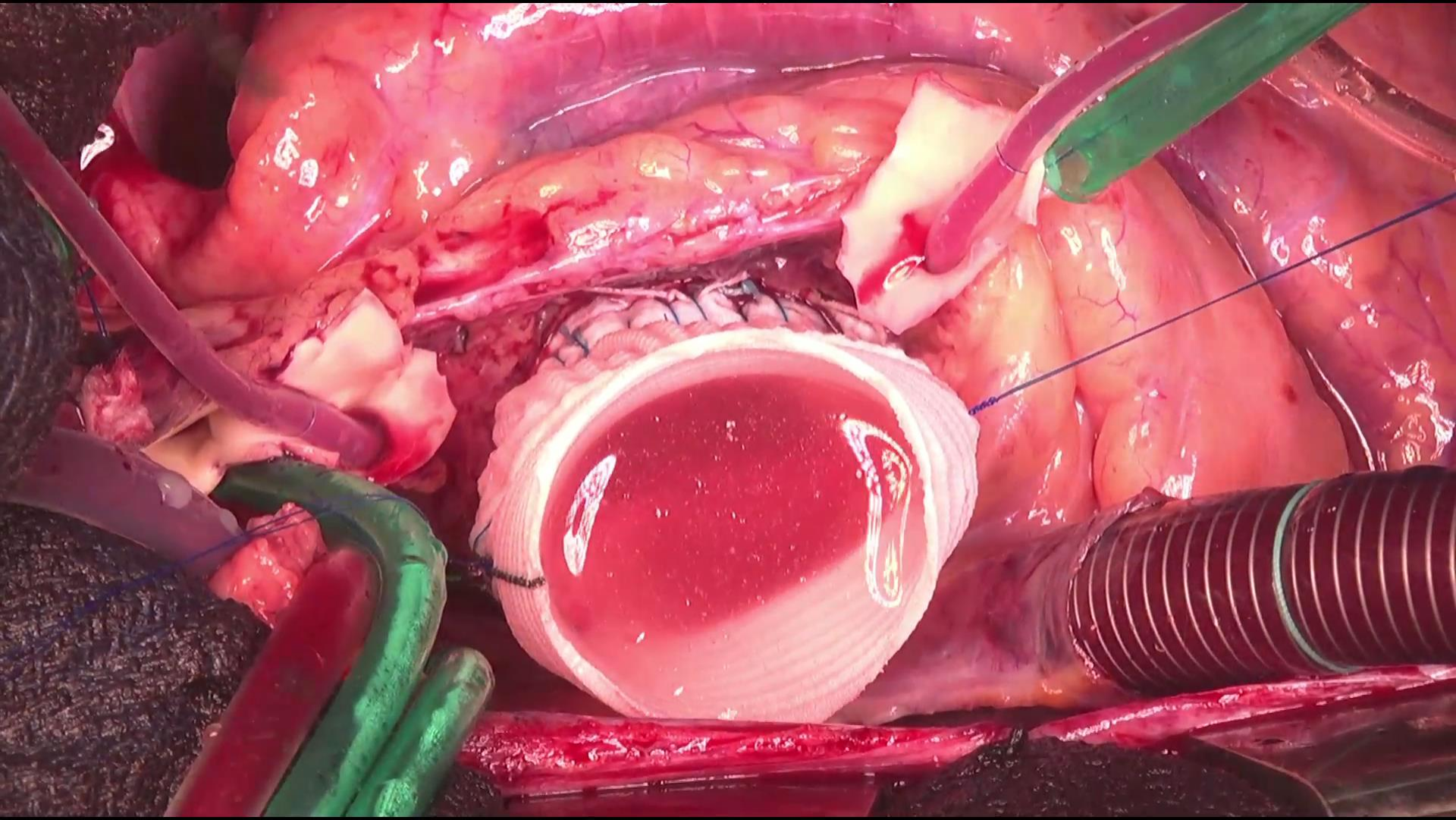


Reimplantation Technique

Post-repair TEE

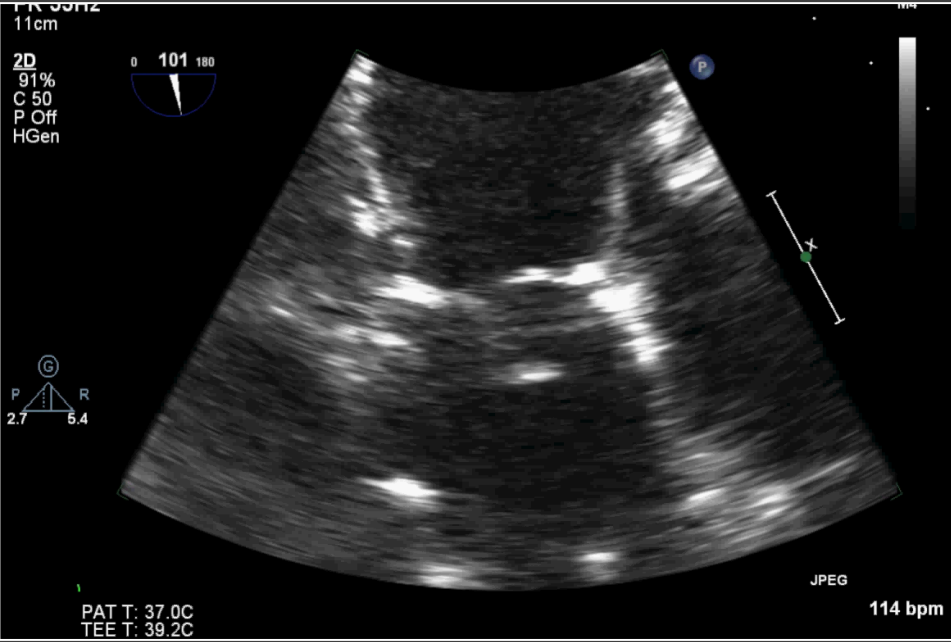
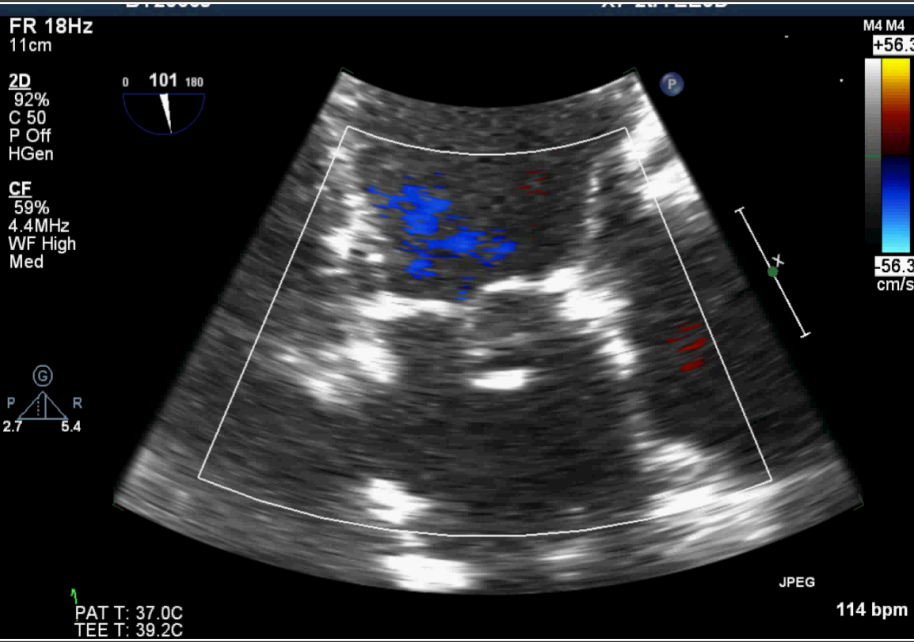


Reimplantation Technique



Reimplantation Technique

Post-repair TEE



Cusp repair techniques

Cusp lesions

- Prolapse (Type 2)

- Free margin elongation
- Fenestration (large/rutpured)
- Commissure disruption

- Restriction (Type 3)

- Raphe in BAV
- Unicuspid valve
- Calcification

- Perforation (Type 1d)

Repair techniques

→ Central plication / GTx resusp.

→ GTx resusp. / Patch

→ Trusler stitch

→ Resection/direct closure/patch

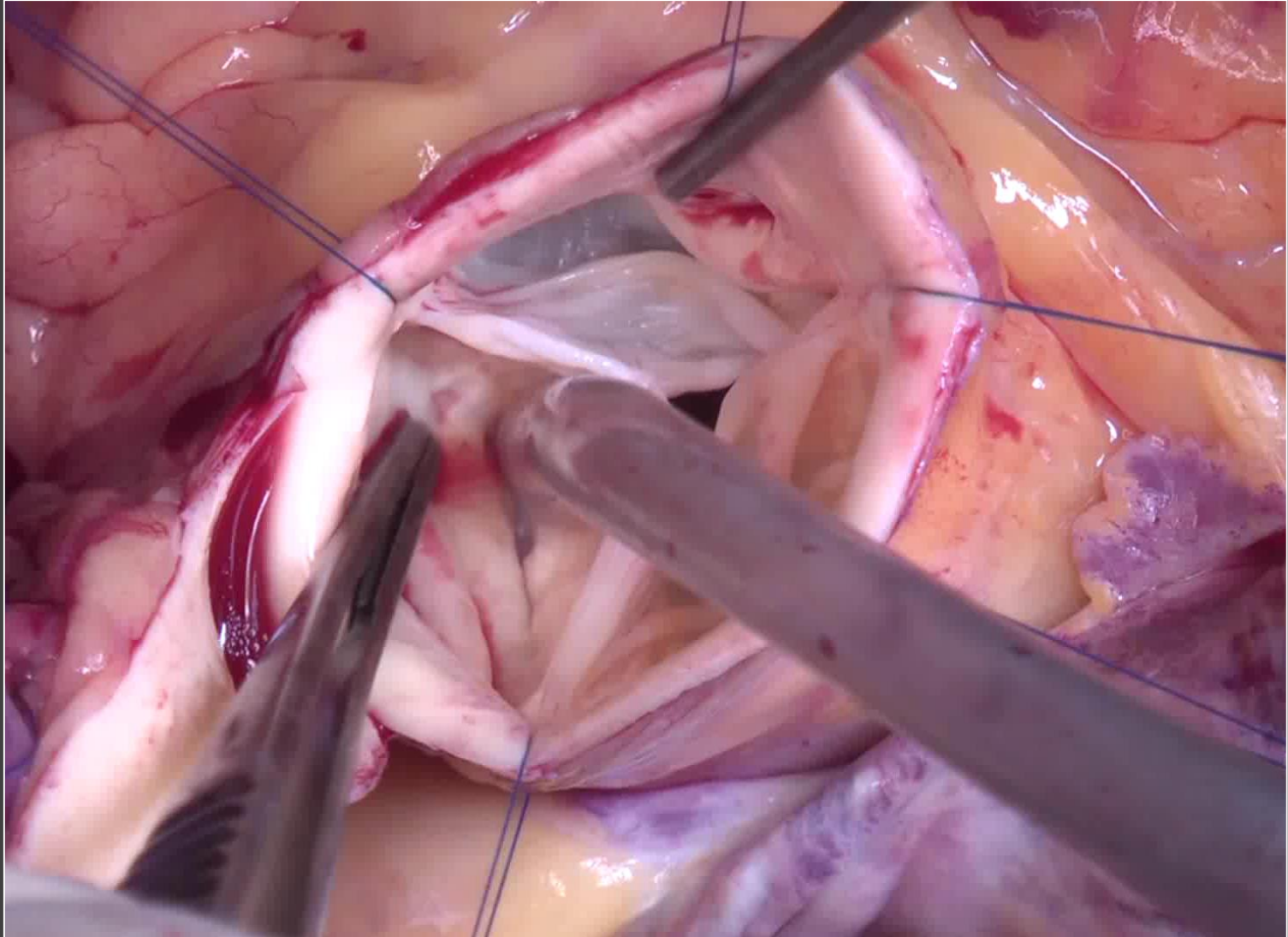
→ Patch

→ Leaflet replac. with patch

→ Patch

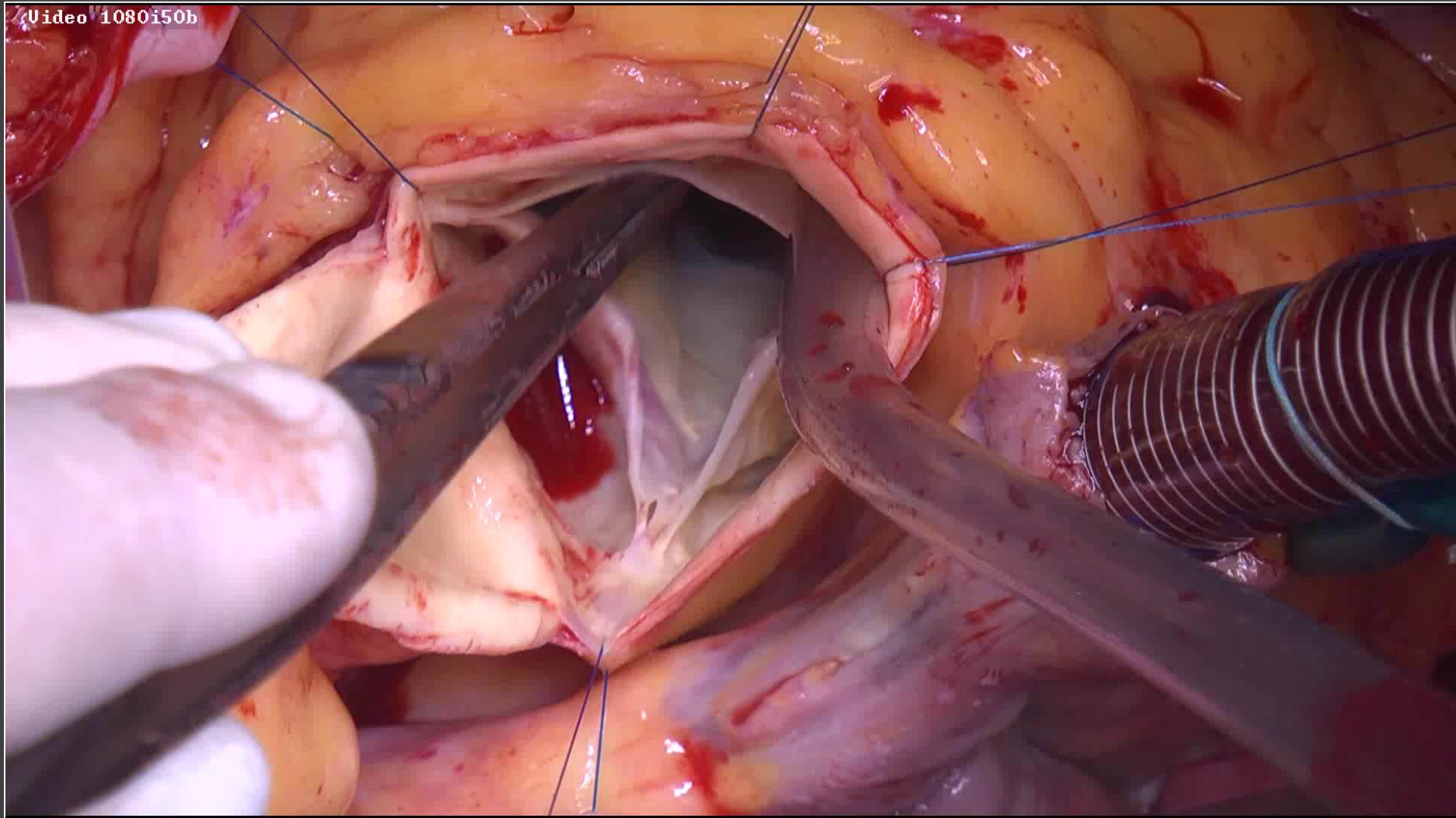
AV Repair

Central Plication

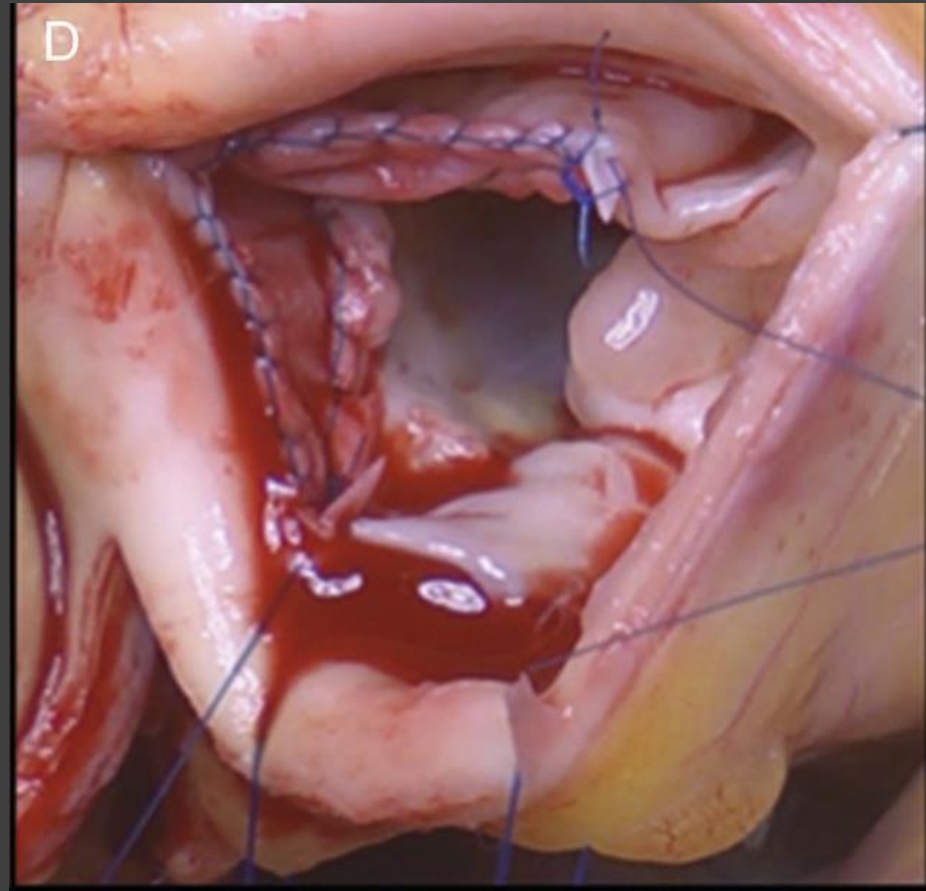
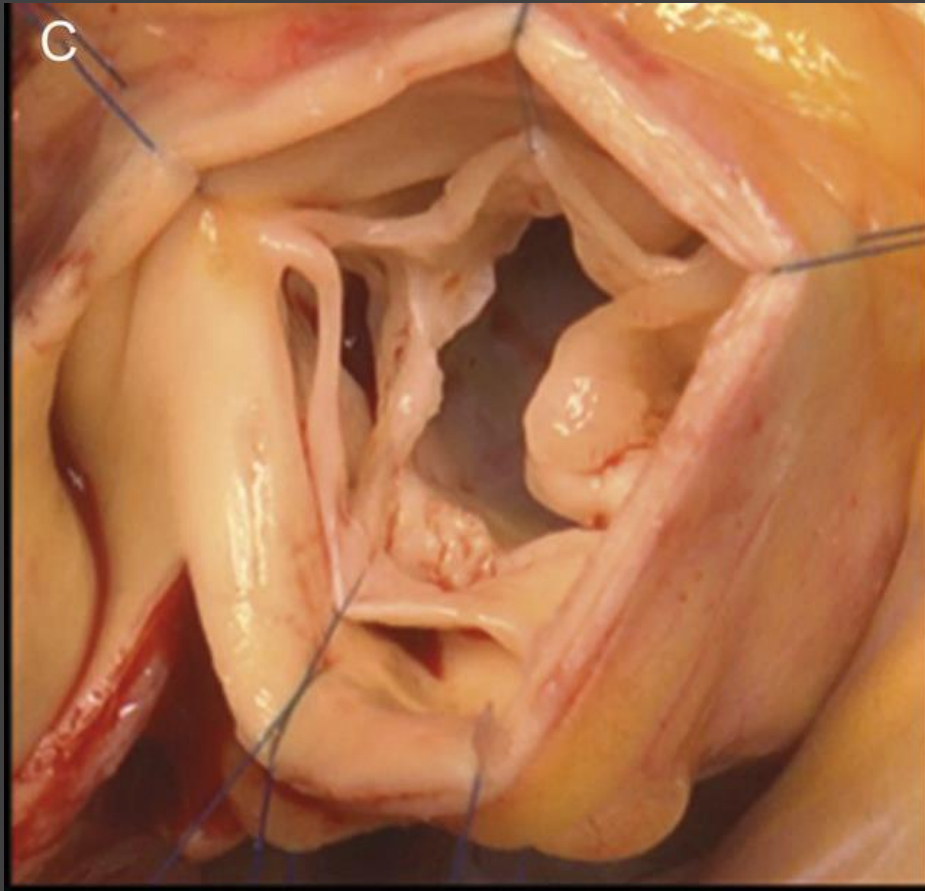


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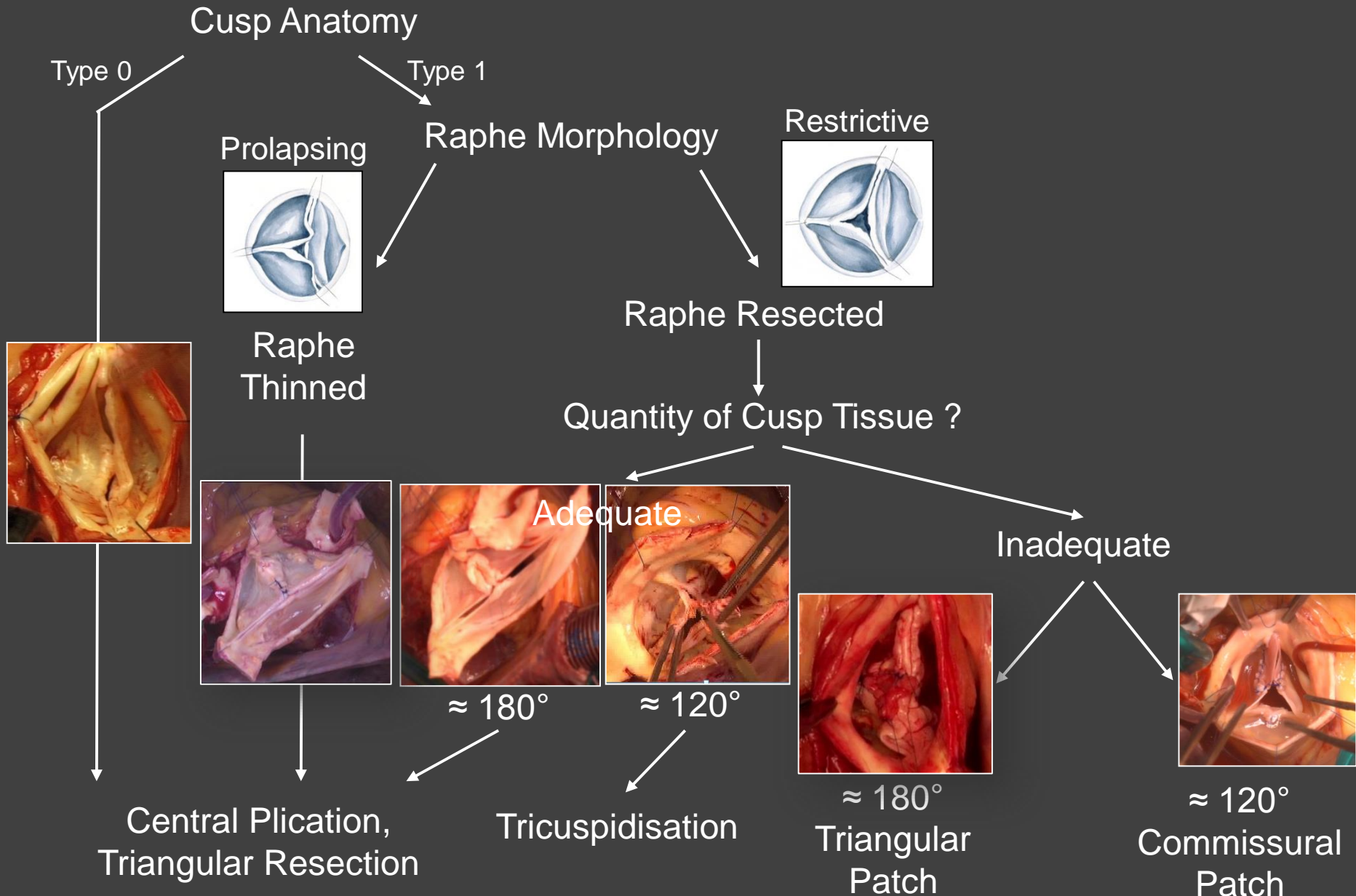
Patch: Perforation Closure



AV Leaflet Repair: Fenestration Patch

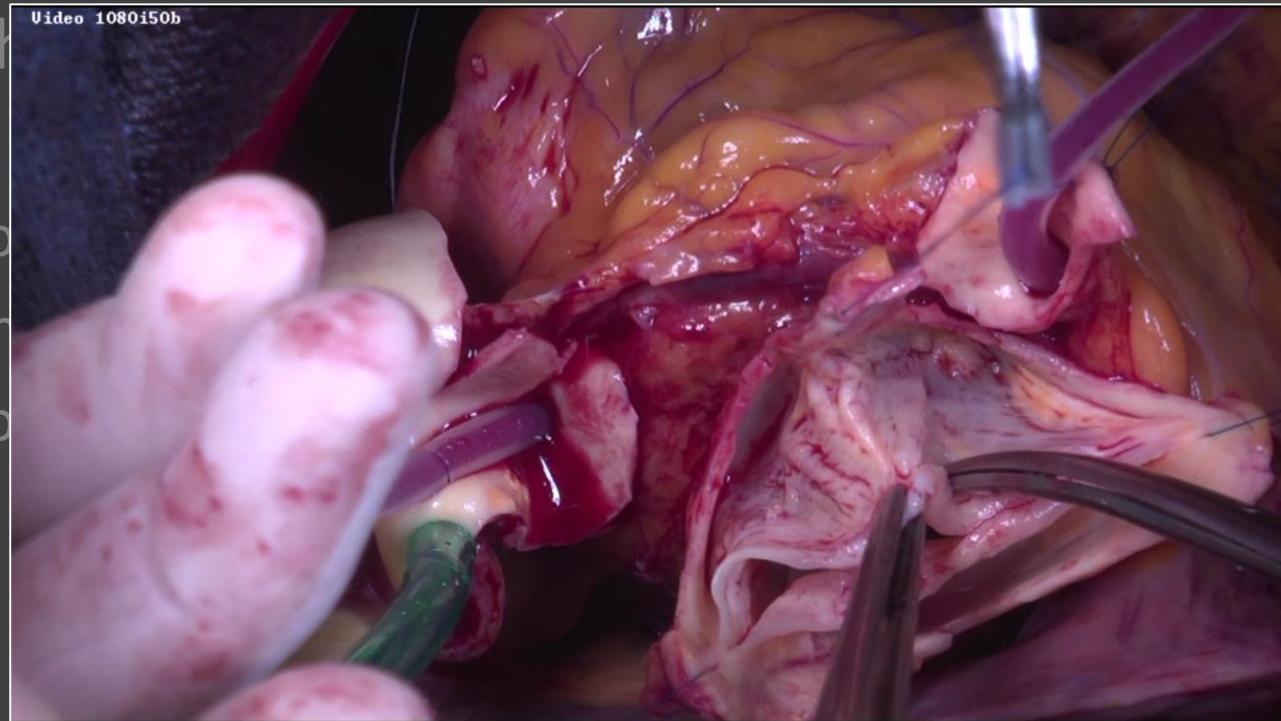


BAV Repair



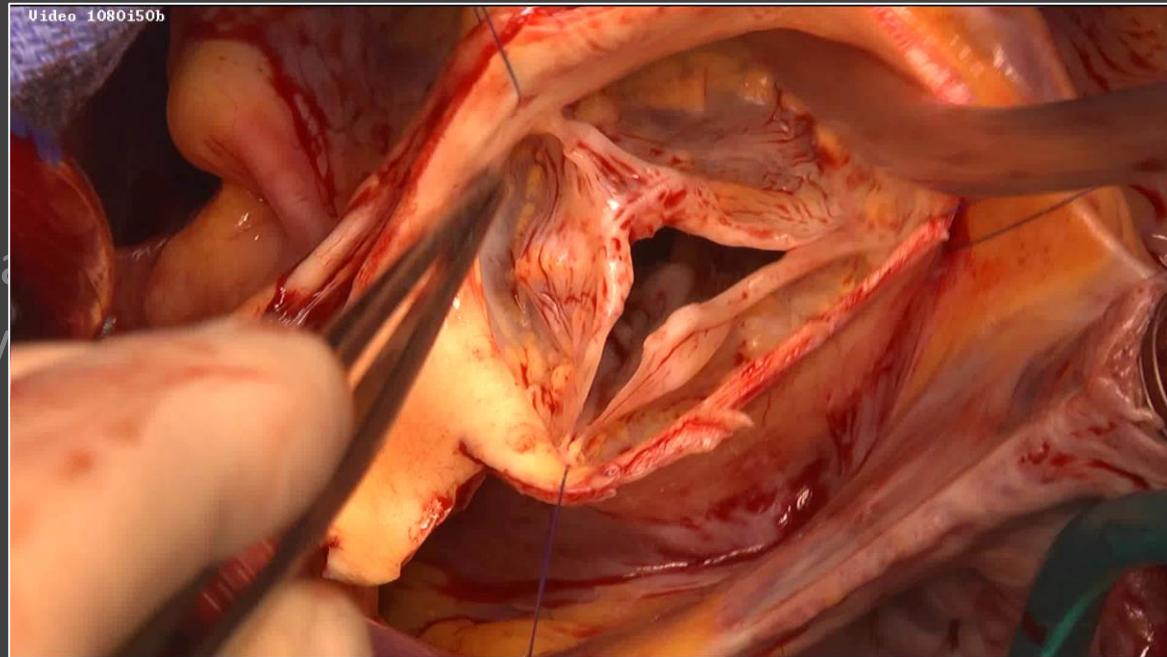
BAV Repair

- Type 0
- Type I:
 - Prolapsing raphe: plication
 - Restrictive raphe:
 - Direct closure
 - Tricuspidisation
 - Bicuspid patch
 - Tricuspidisation



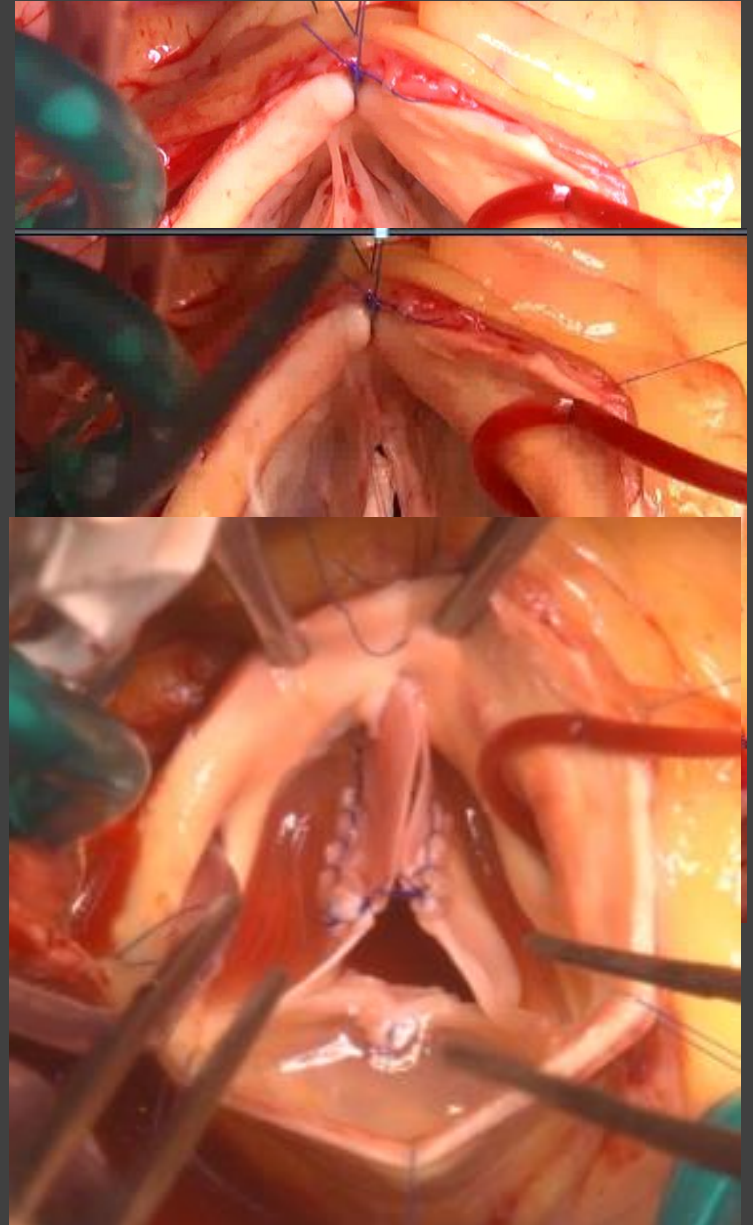
BAV Repair

- Type 0
- Type I:
 - Prolapsing raphe
 - Restrictive raphe
 - Direct closure
 - Tricuspidisation
 - Bicuspid patch repair
 - Tricuspidisation w/



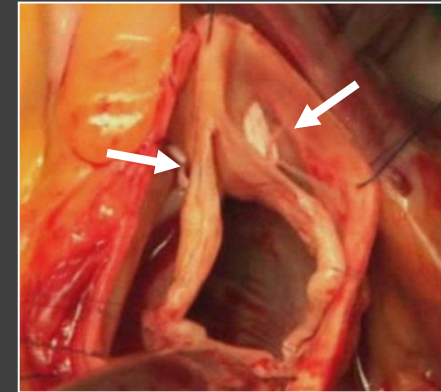
BAV Repair

- Type 0
- Type I:
 - Prolapsing raphe
 - Restrictive raphe
 - Direct closure
 - Tricuspidisation w/o patch
 - Bicuspid patch repair
 - Tricuspidisation w/ patch



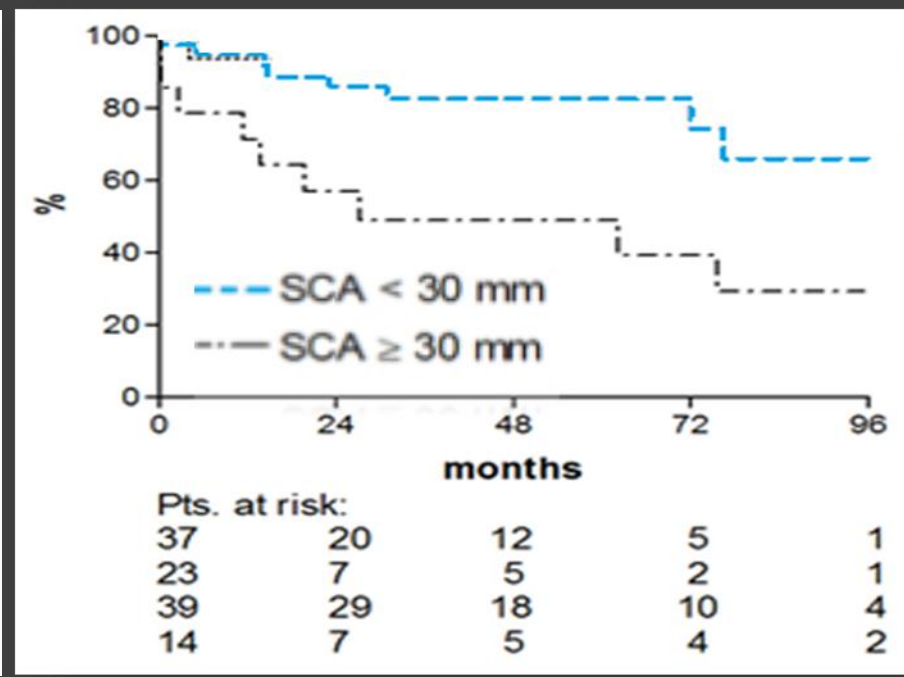
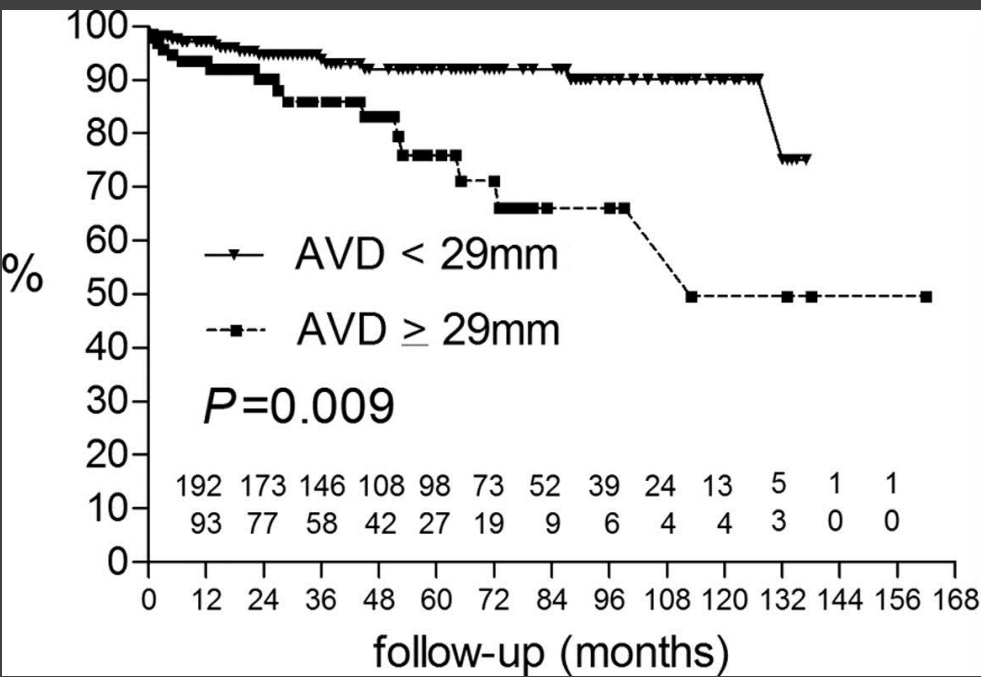
AV repair

VAJ dilatation (AI Type 1c)



No annuloplasty

SC annuloplasty

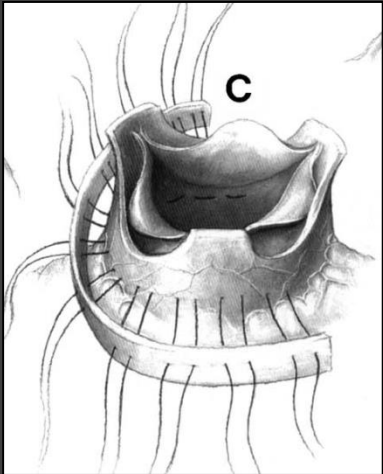


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Techniques of Circumferential Prosthetic Annuloplasty

Partial external band



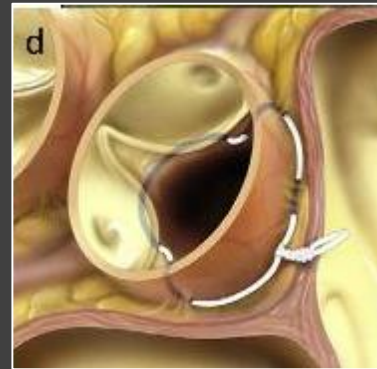
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External Ring



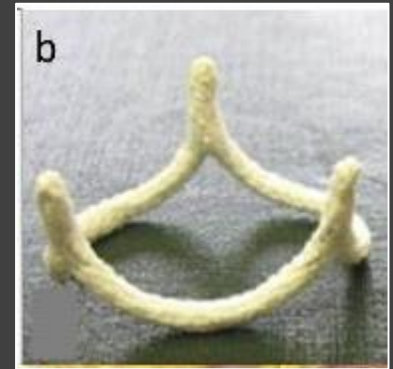
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Internal Ring



J.S. Rankin 2012

AV Repair: Ring annuloplasty



AV Repair: Hospital Mortality

- 0.6% V. Sharma, H. Schaff JTCVS 2014
- 0.8% J. Price, G. Elkhoury ATS 2013
- 0.8% D. Aicher, H-J Schafers EJCTS 2010
- 1% T. David JTCVS 2014

AV Repair: Valve related event

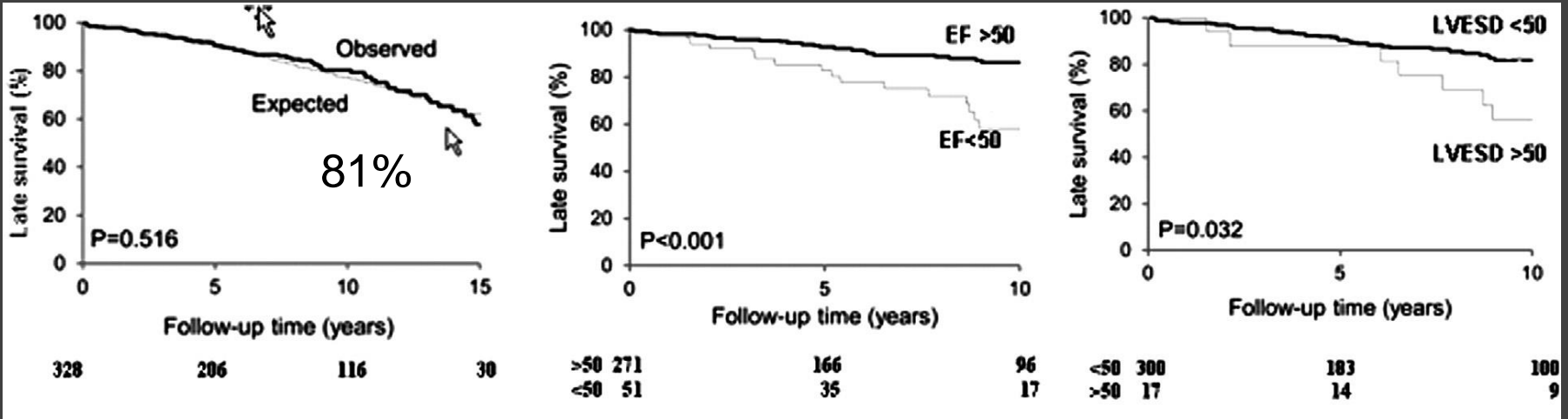
VSRR

Pooled Late Outcome Events	LOR + 95% CI
Late mortality	1.53 (1.19–1.96)
Reoperation on aortic valve	1.32 (1.0–1.74)
Hemorrhage	0.23 (0.13–0.42)
Thromboembolism	0.41 (0.22–0.77)
Endocarditis	0.23 (0.11–0.51)
MAVRE	1.66 (1.24–2.23)

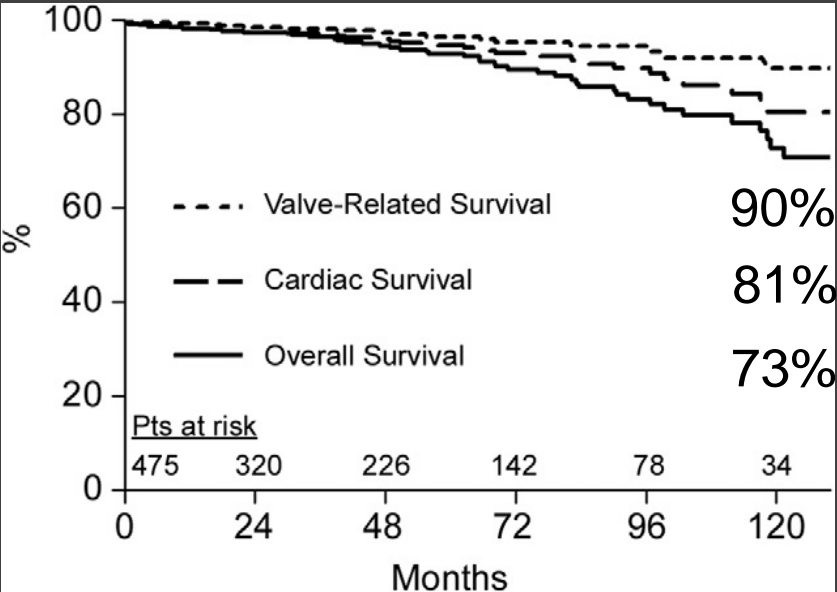
Bentall

Pooled Late Outcome Events	LOR + 95% CI
Late mortality ^a	2.02 (1.77–2.31)
Valve-related mortality	0.46 (0.36–0.59)
Root reoperation ^b	0.46 (0.36–0.59)
Valve reoperation	0.30 (0.22–0.41)
Hemorrhage	0.64 (0.47–0.87)
Thromboembolism	0.77 (0.60–1.00)
Endocarditis	0.39 (0.33–0.46)
MAVRE	2.66 (2.17–3.24)

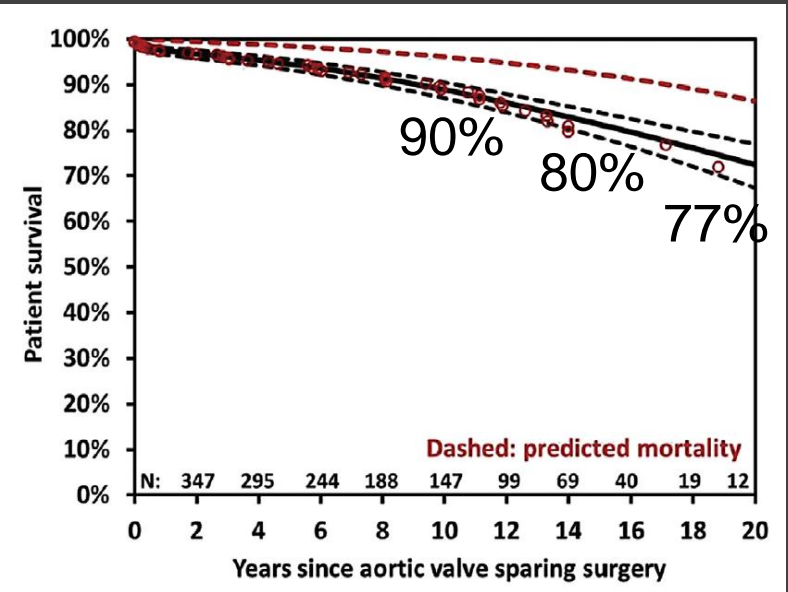
AV Repair: Long term Survival



V. Sharma, H. Schaff JTCVS 2014



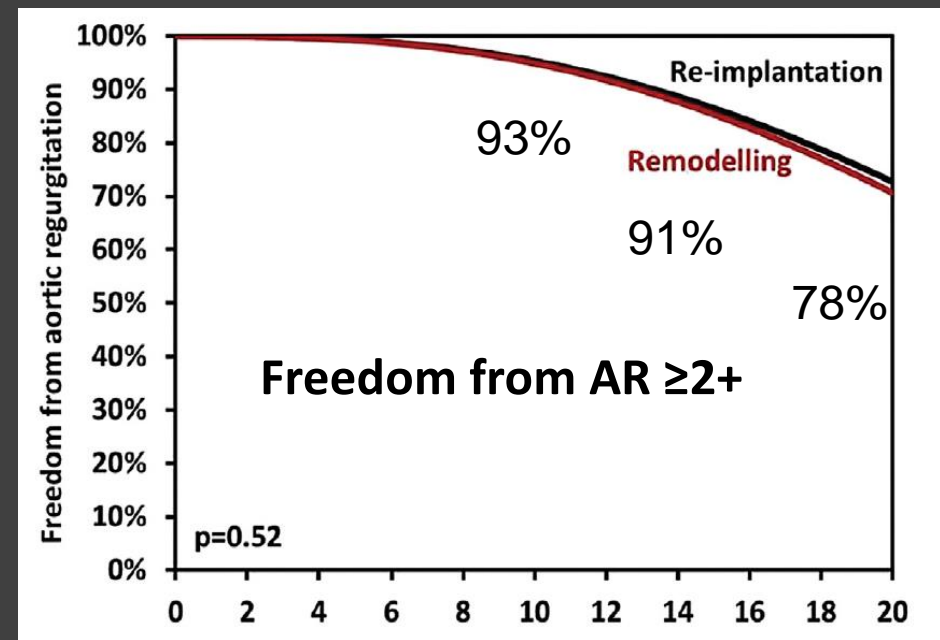
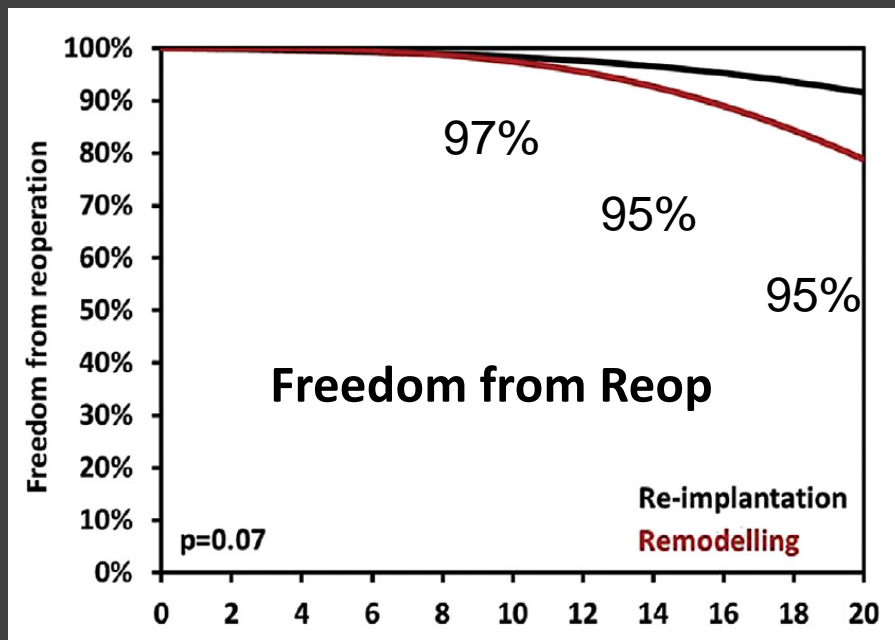
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T. David JTCVS 2014

AV repair for AI: Root dilatation (Type 1b)

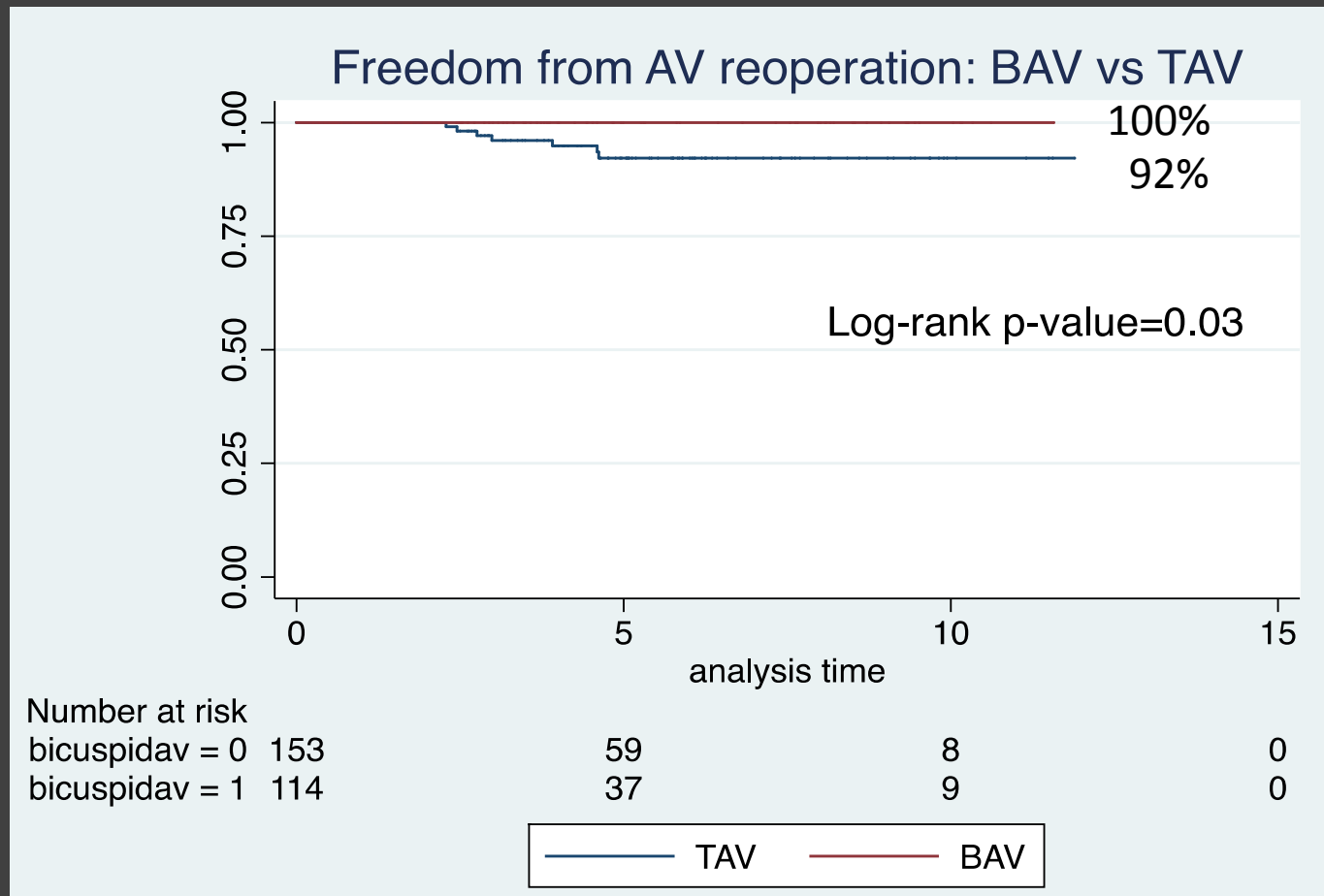
- Toronto: 1988 – 2010, 371 pts, 9% BAV, 50% cusp repair



No predictors of recurrent AR

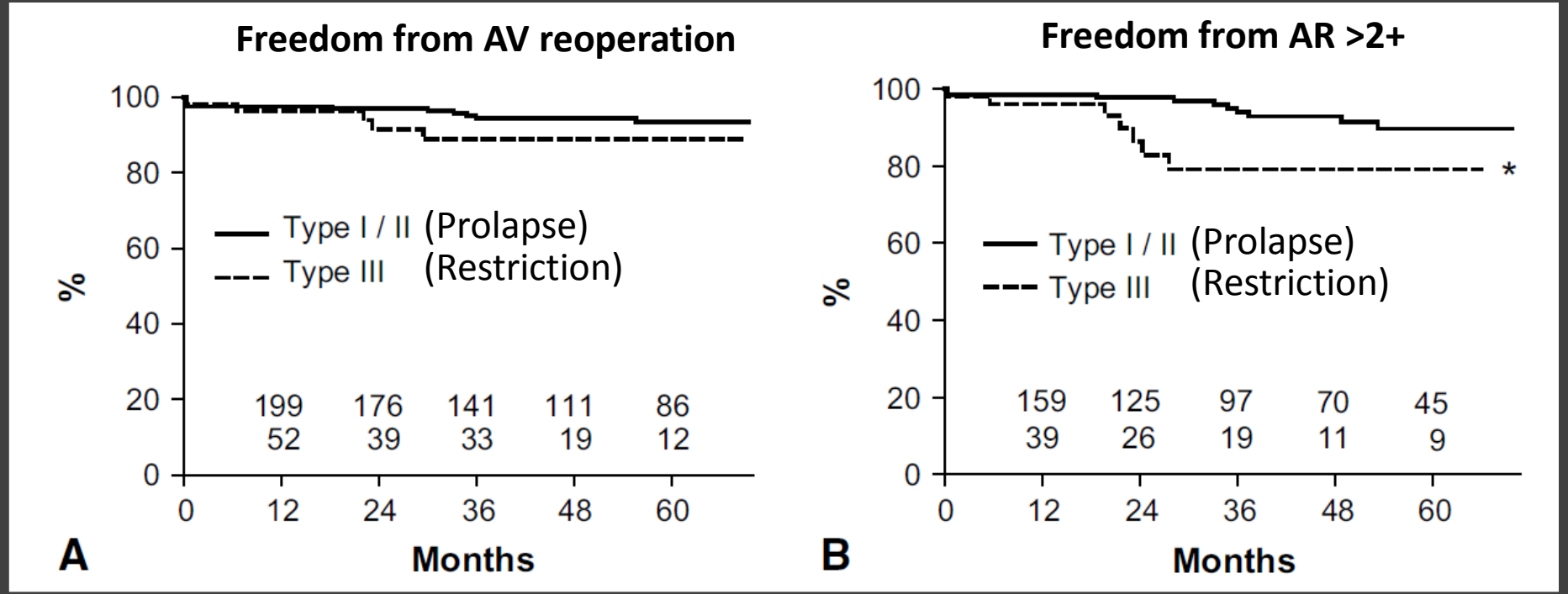
AV repair for AI: Root dilatation (Type 1b)

- Brussels: 1996 – 2014, 275 pts, 43% BAV, 70% cusp repair



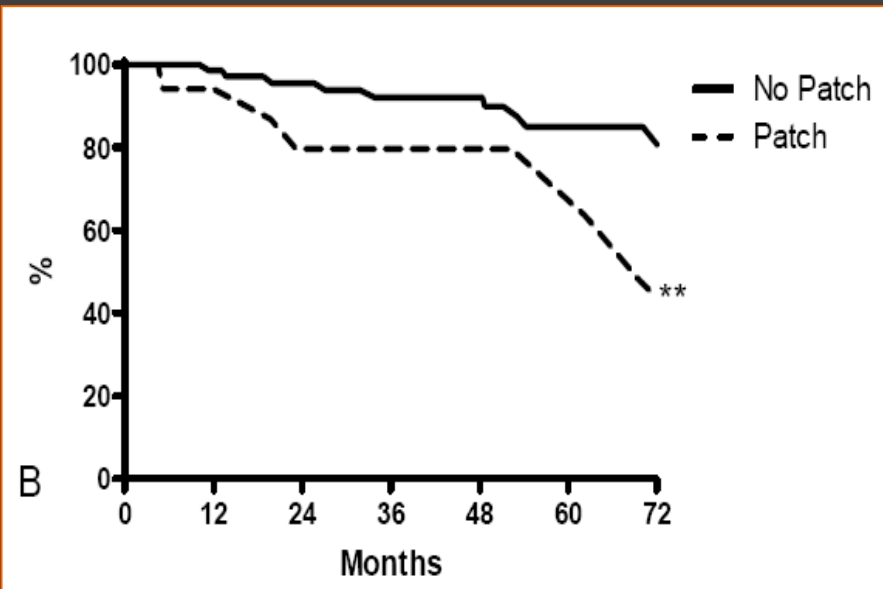
AV Repair:

Type of Aortic Regurgitation

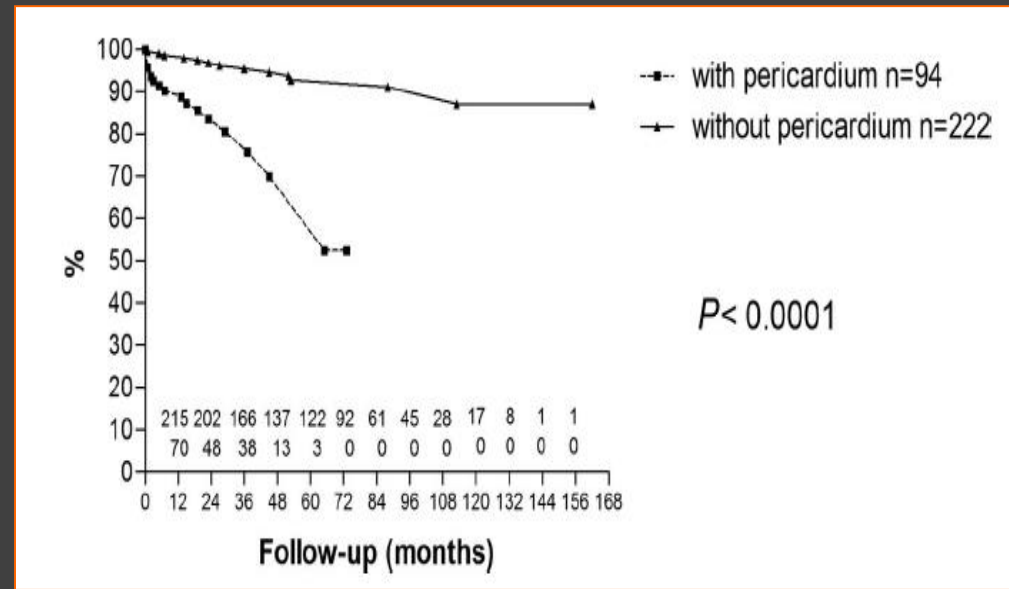


AV repair

Risk factor of repair failure: Patch repair



Boodhwani M. JTCVS 2010

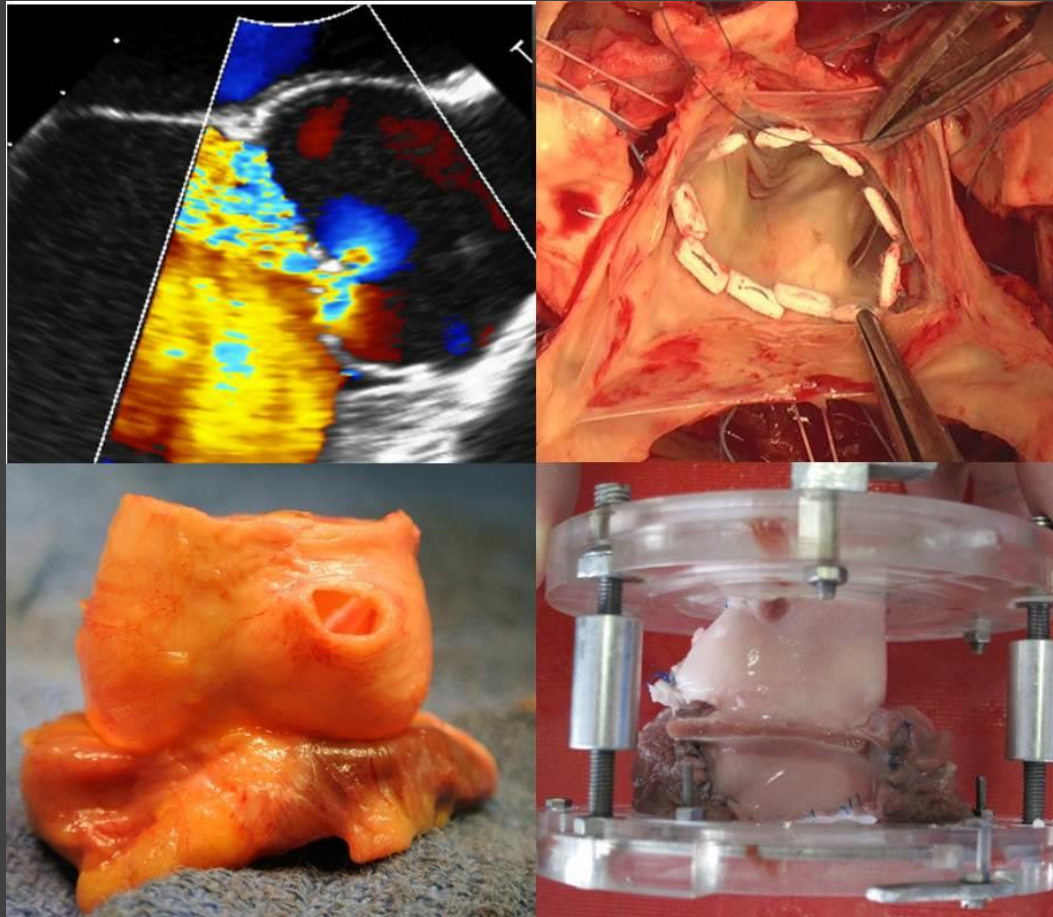


Aicher D. Circ. 2011

AV Leaflet Repair: Conclusions

- The **mechanism of AR** are actually well understood and the use of a **classification of AR** help to plan AV repair.
- Surgeon dispose of a **wide armamentarium** of repair techniques adapted to the variety of valve lesions.
- Durability of cusp repair depend on the **quality and quantity of tissues**. Long term results of AV repair are excellent for AI Type 1 & 2 repair and acceptable for AI Type 3 (restrictive cusp). **New patch material** will probably improve results of in this group.
- Next to cusp tissues quality, optimal valve **coaptation (eH)** and **circumf. annuloplasty** are other determinants of repair durability.
- **Longer follow-up** is necessary to investigate 2° and 3° decade after repair.

Thank you



AV Repair for AI: VSRR +/- Cusp repair

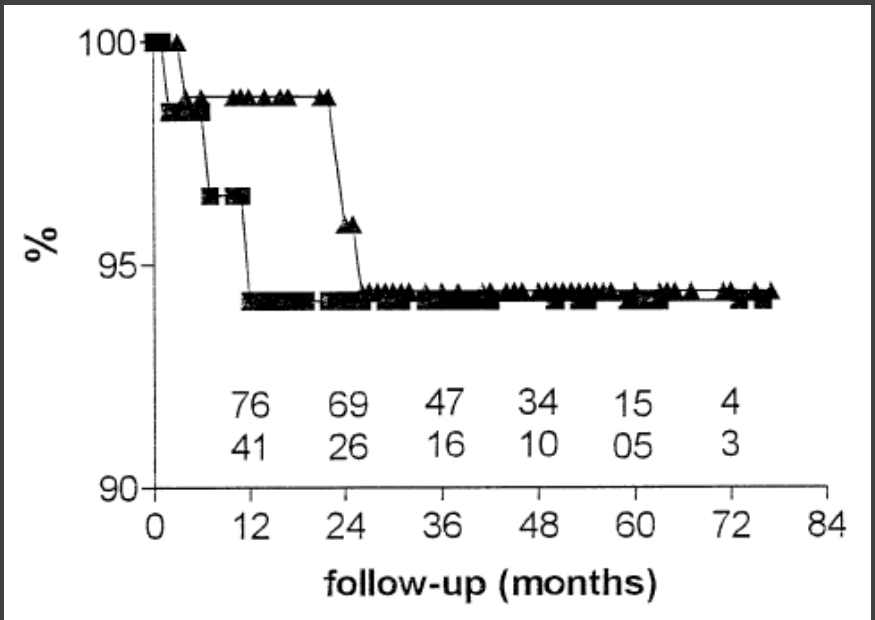
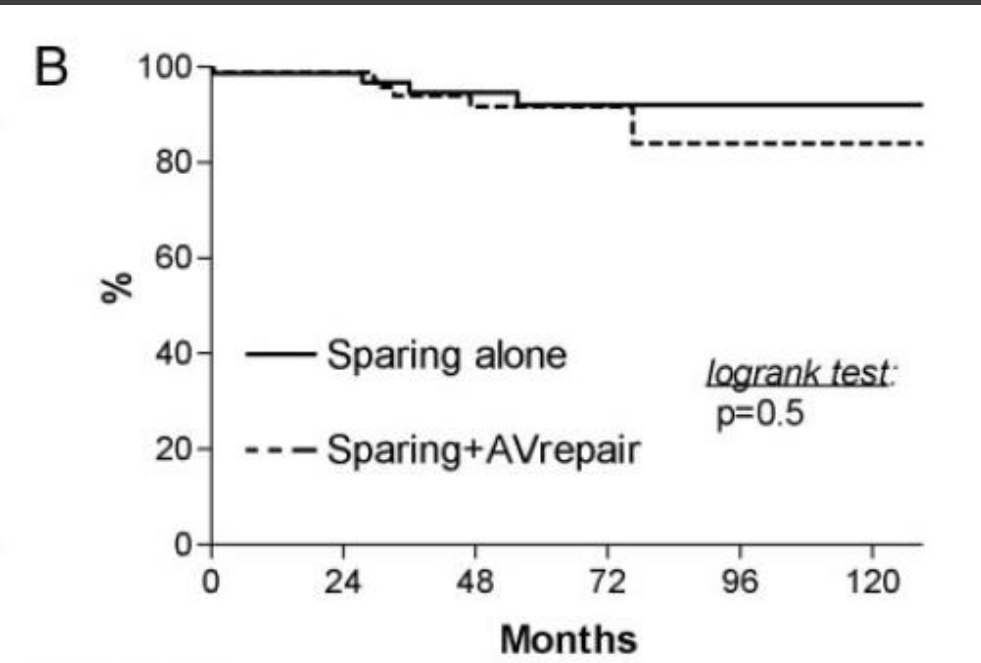


Fig 1. Actuarial freedom from aortic regurgitation greater than II after valve-preserving aortic replacement in patients with intact leaflets (triangles) or leaflet prolapse requiring correction (squares).

H.J. Schäfers Ann Thor Surg 2002

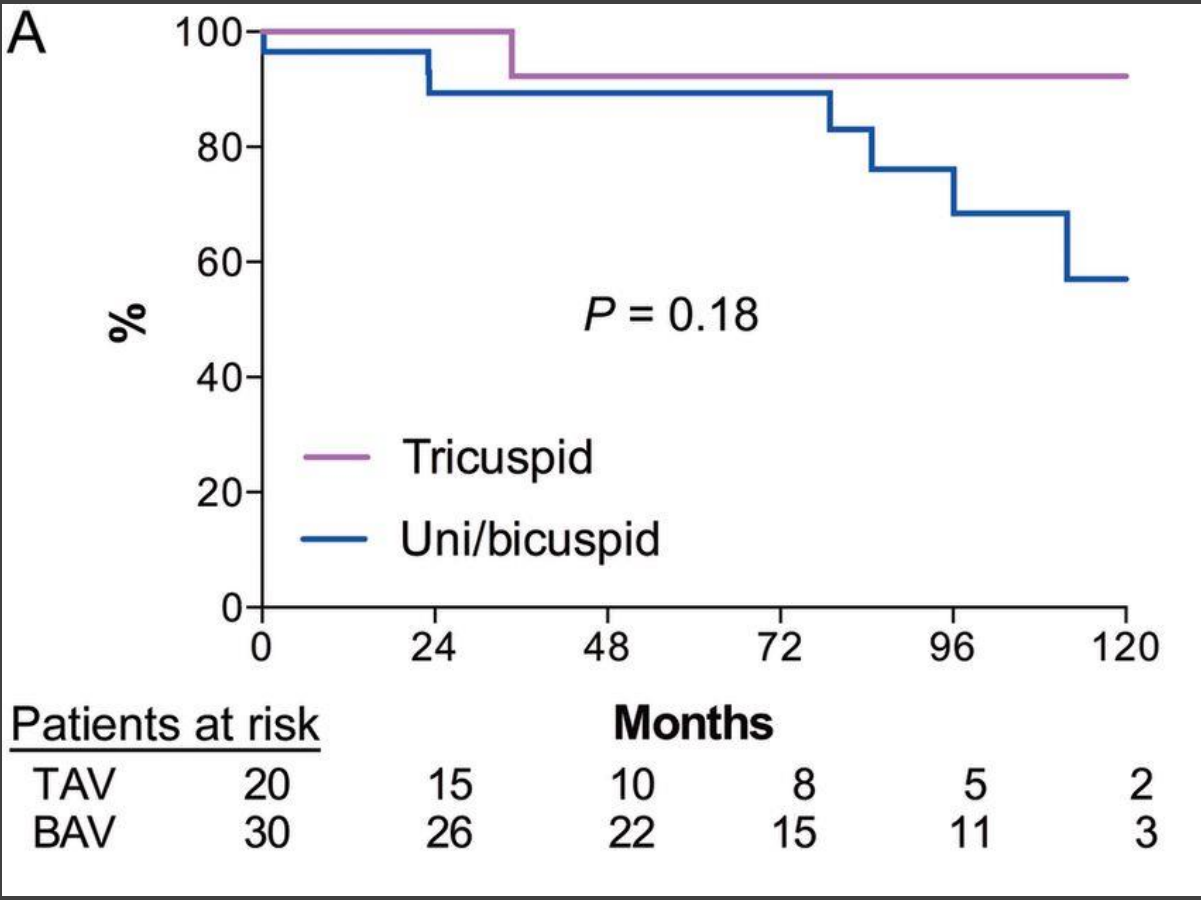


patients at risk:

Sparing alone	74	55	42	32	24	14
Sparing+Repair	90	65	38	15	5	3

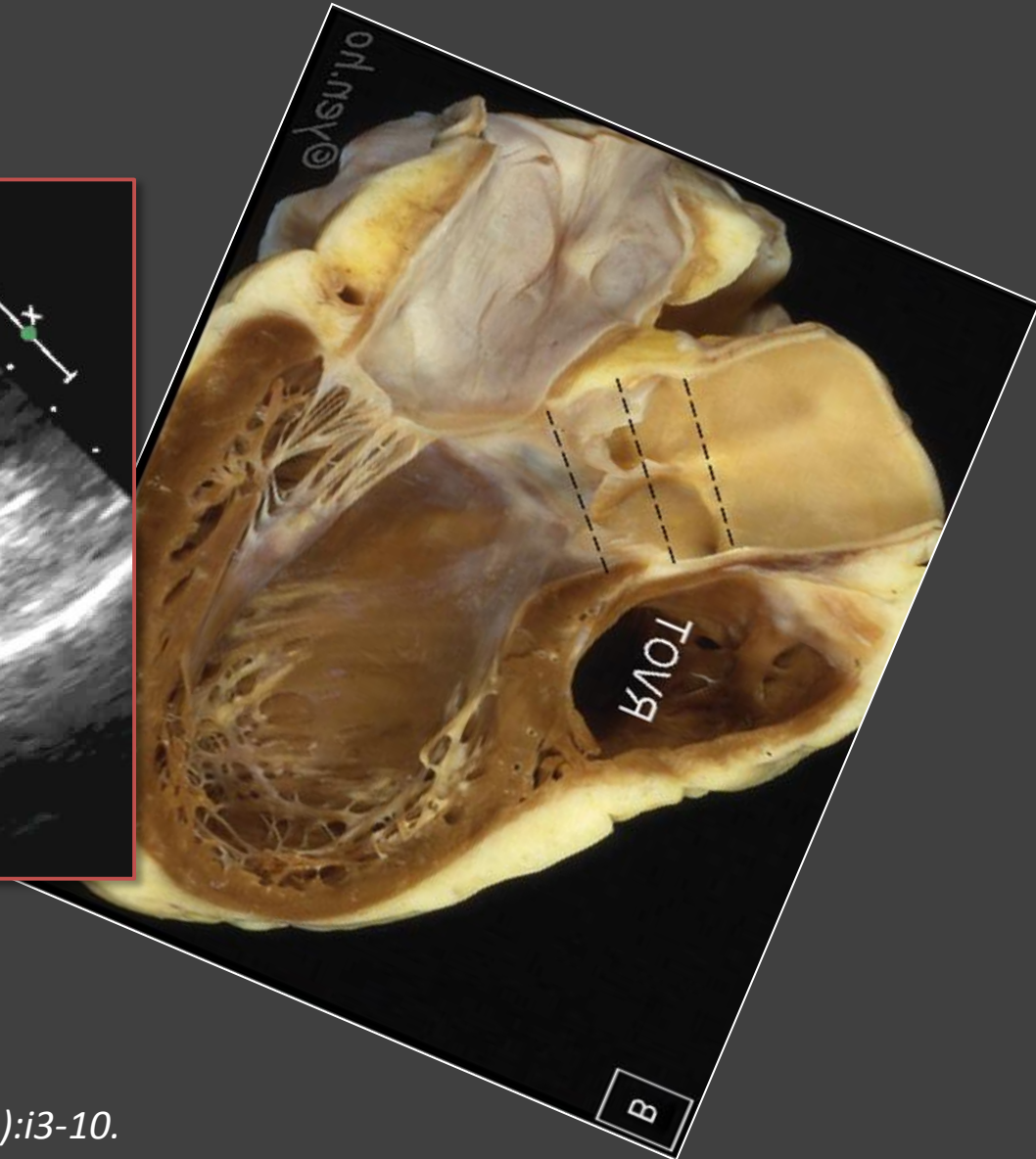
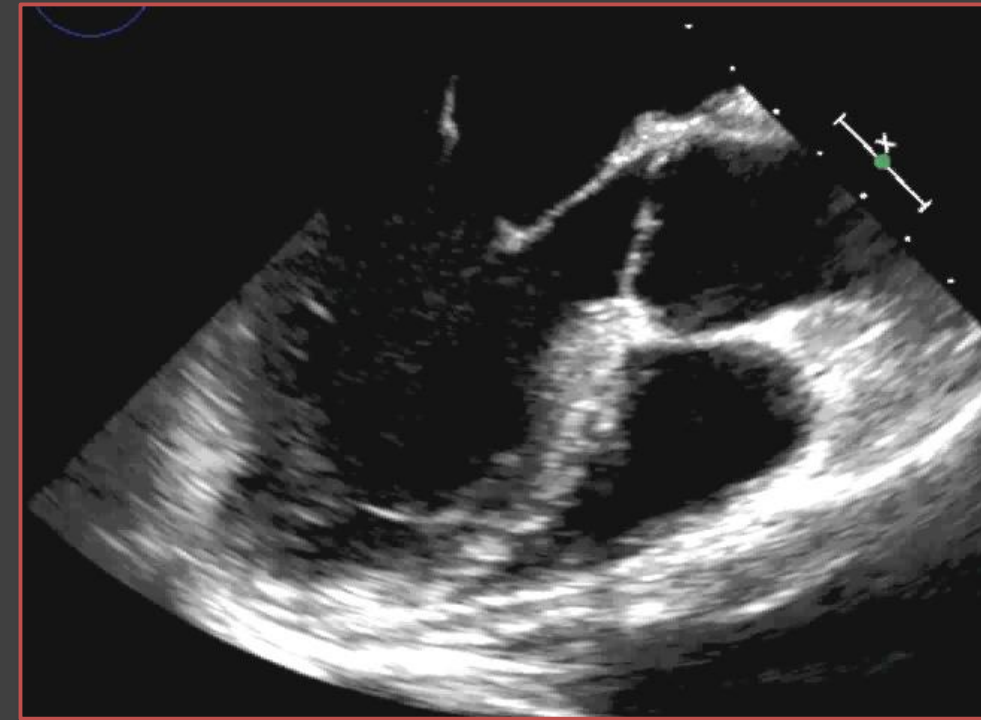
L. de Kerchove Circulation 2009

AV Repair: Leaflet repair with patch



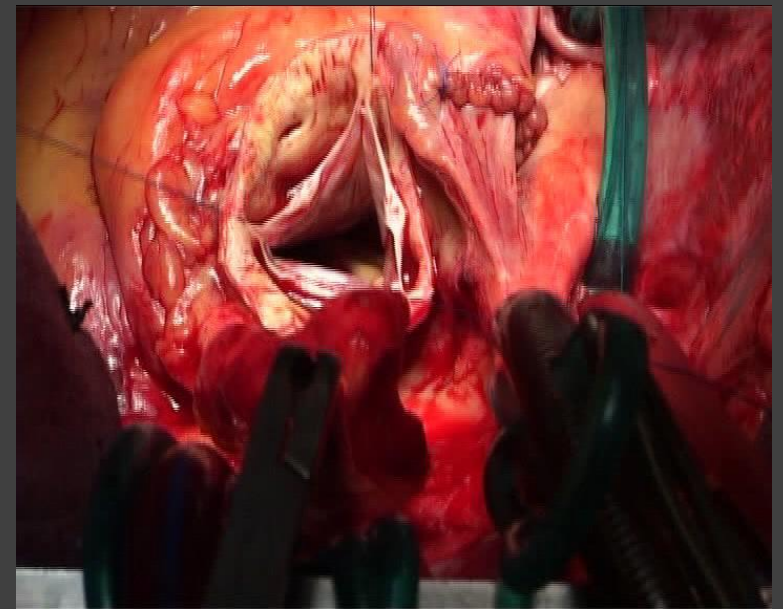
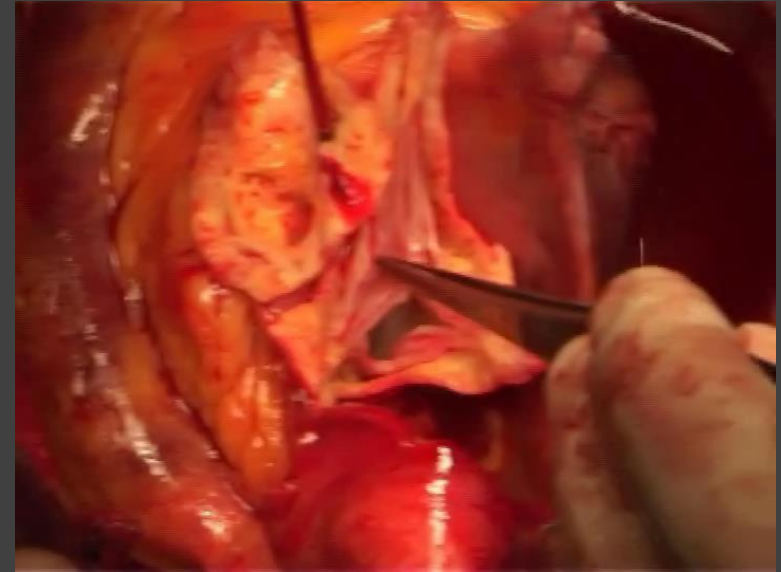
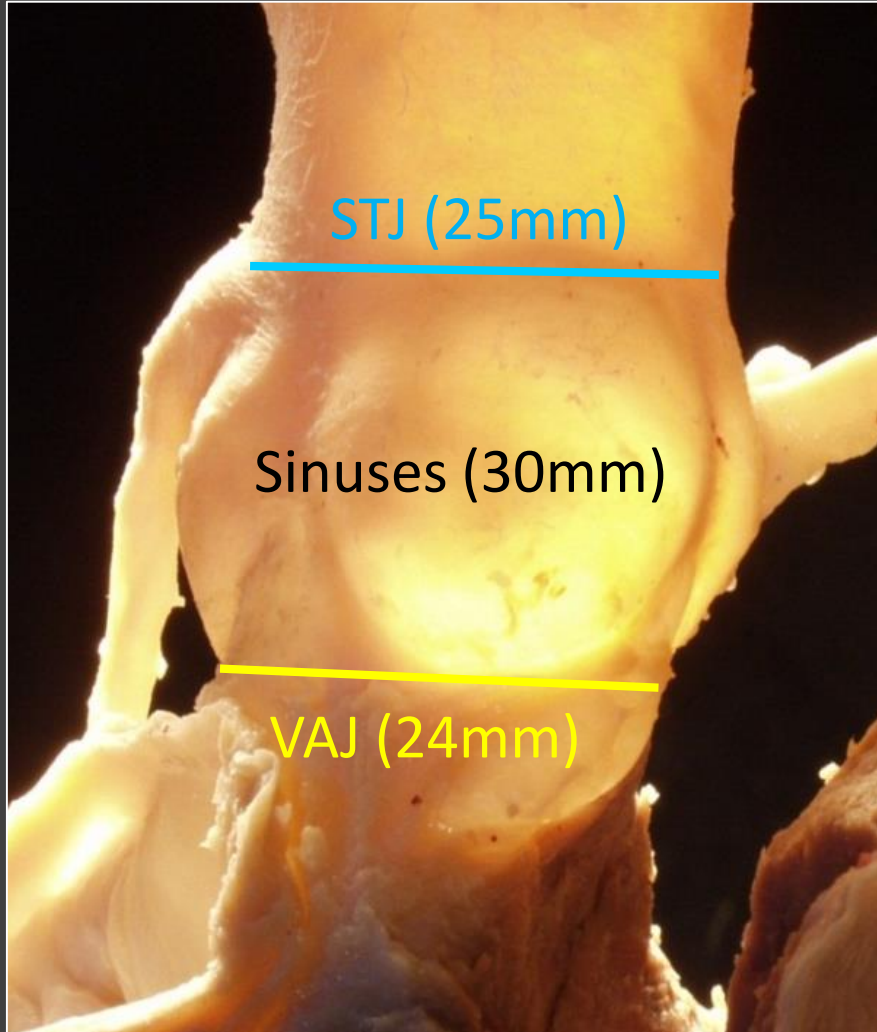
Surgical anatomy of the AV

Adjacent structures to the aortic root



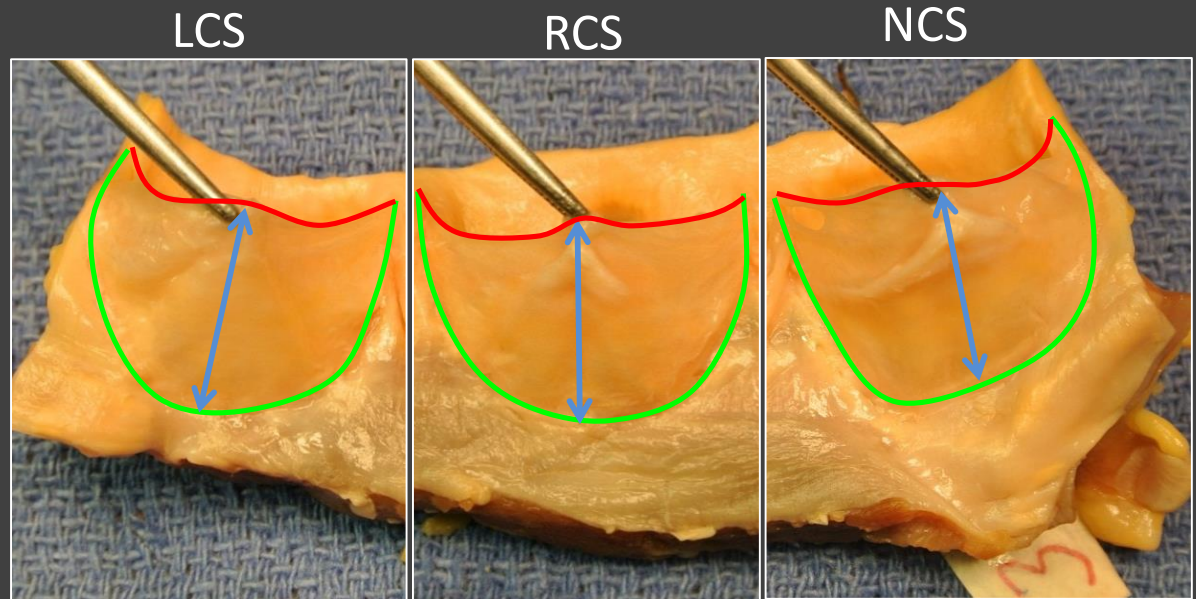
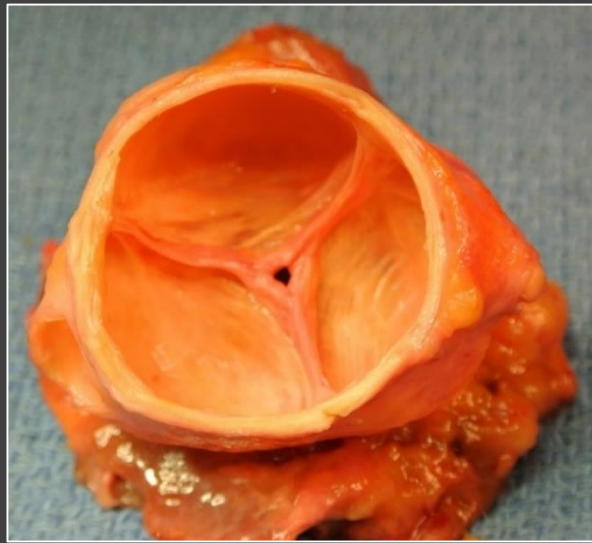
Surgical anatomy of the AV

Functional unit



Surgical anatomy of the AV

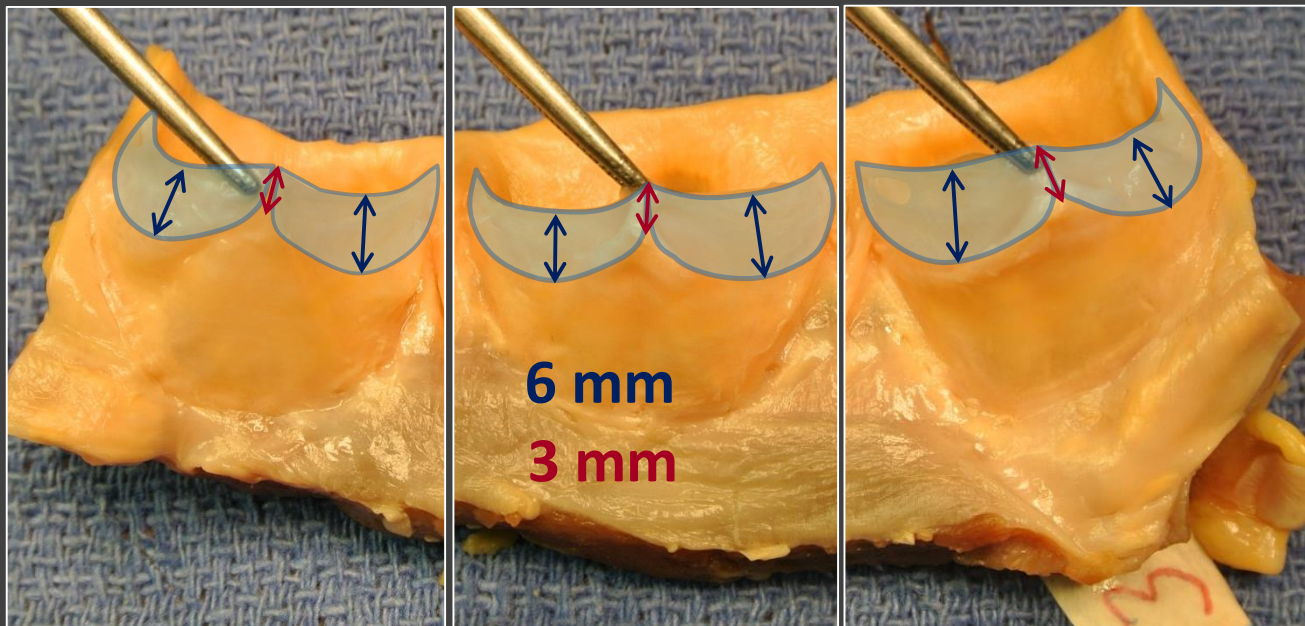
Cusp size



- Cusp height (geometric height): 19 – 20 mm (24 in BAV)
- Free margin length: 32 – 35 mm
- Cusp insertion length:
- Cusp area: 3 cm²

Surgical anatomy of the AV

Cusp coaptation



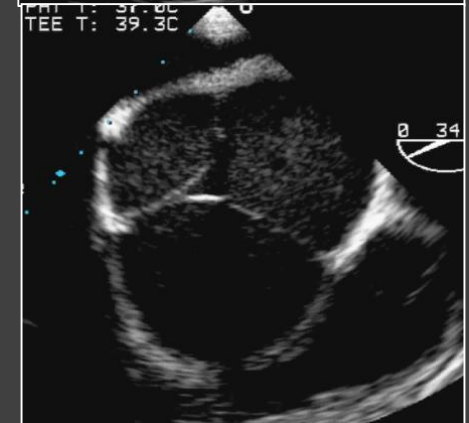
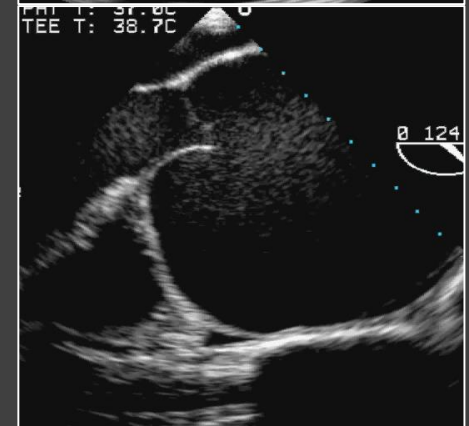
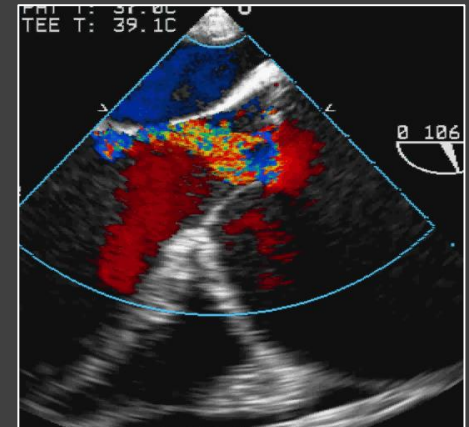
- Coapt area:
1 – 1.5 cm²
- Coapt area 40%
of cusp area

Functional classification of aortic regurgitation

Mechanism of AV dysfunction

Type 1 characteristics

- ✓ Central jet ⊥ to subvalvular plane
- ✓ all cusps have same coaptation height
- ✓ lack of central coaptation



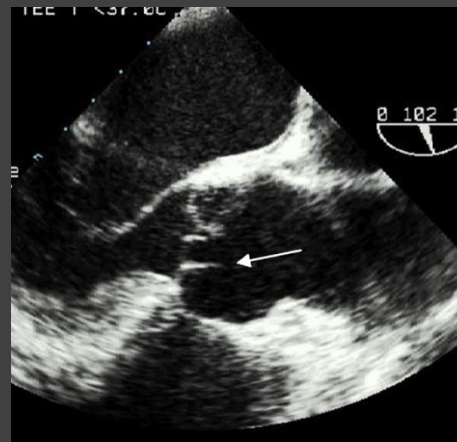
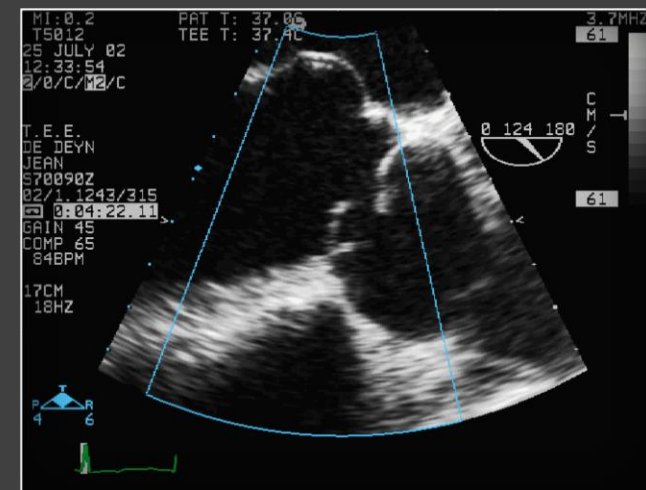
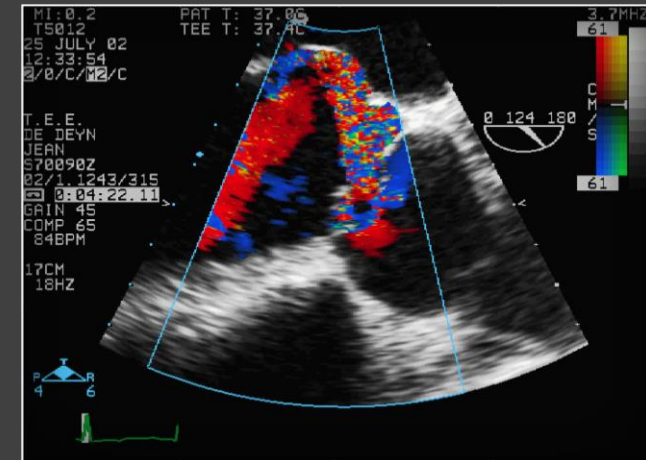
Functional classification of aortic regurgitation

Mechanism of AV dysfunction

Type 2 AI characteristics:

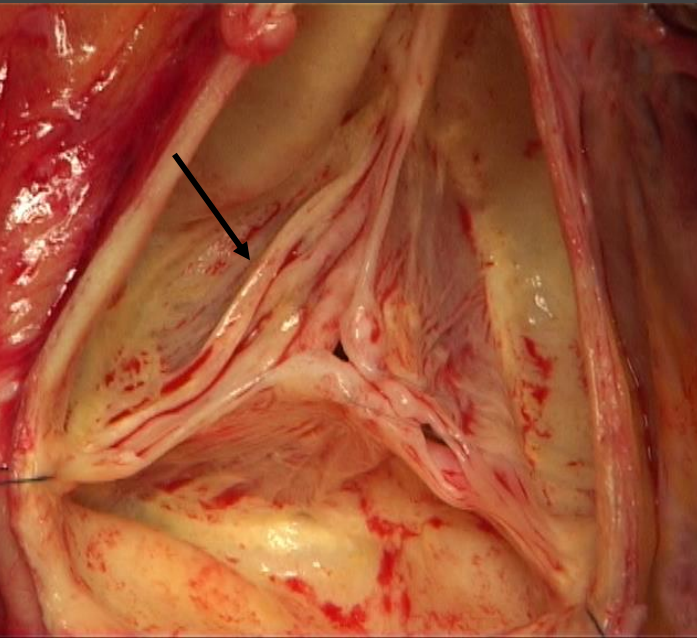
- ✓ Eccentric jet
Sens. 92%, spec. 96%
- ✓ Cusp \neq coaptation height
- ✓ Transverse fold in cusp curvature

Sens. 57%, spec. 92%



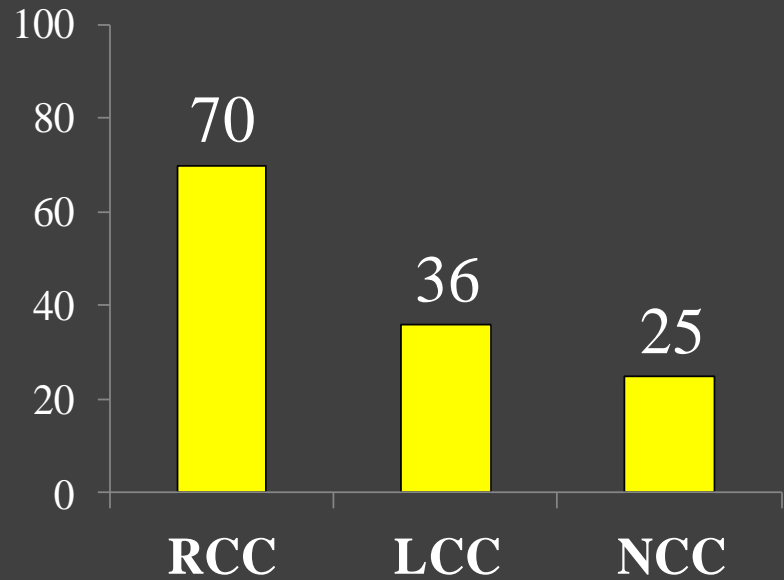
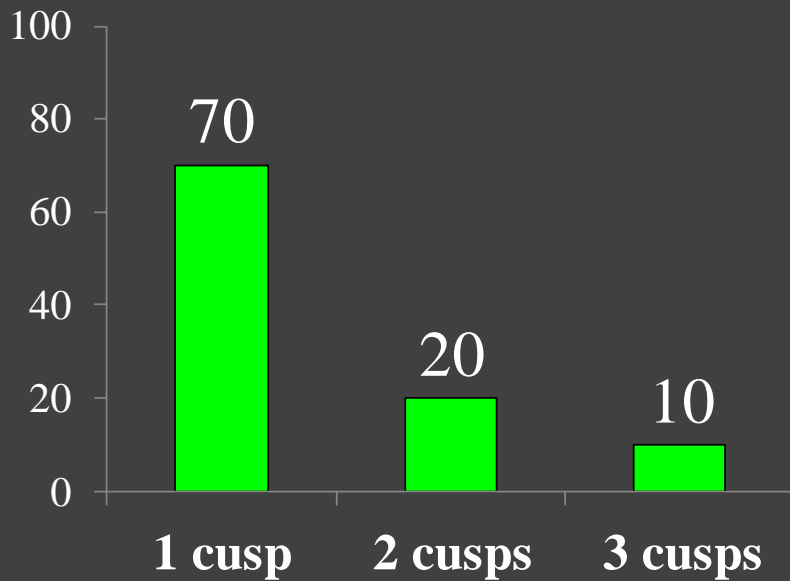
AV Repair: Cusp prolapse

Transverse fold in cusp curvature



Valve Sparing root replacement

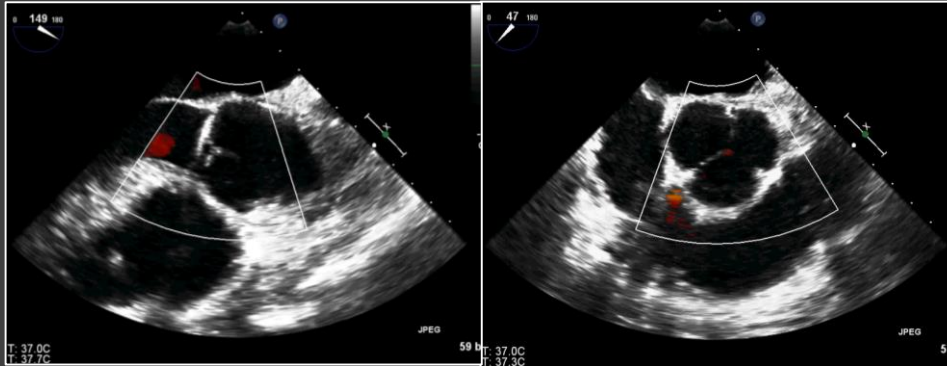
Probability of Cusp Repair



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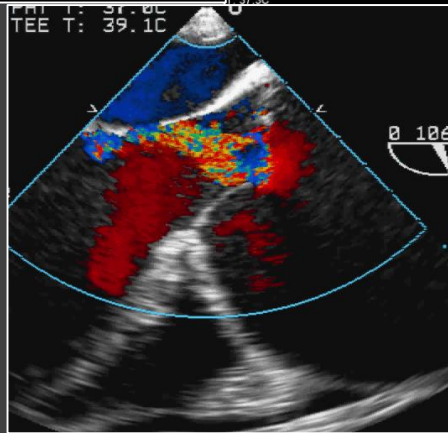
Probability of Cusp Repair

- No AR



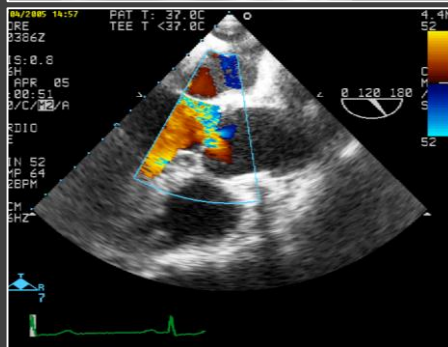
→ low 10 %

- AR, central jet



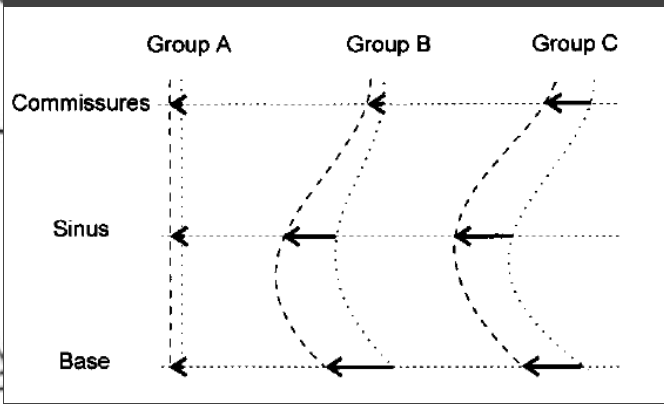
→ Moderate 50 %

- AR, eccentric jet

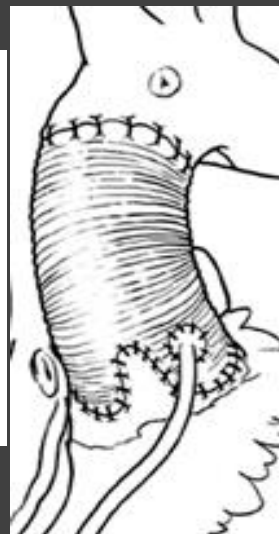


→ High \approx 100 %

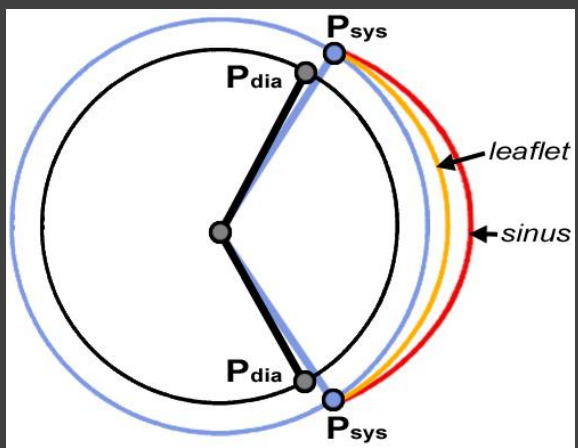
Role of the Sinus of Valsalva



R. Leyh Circ. 1999



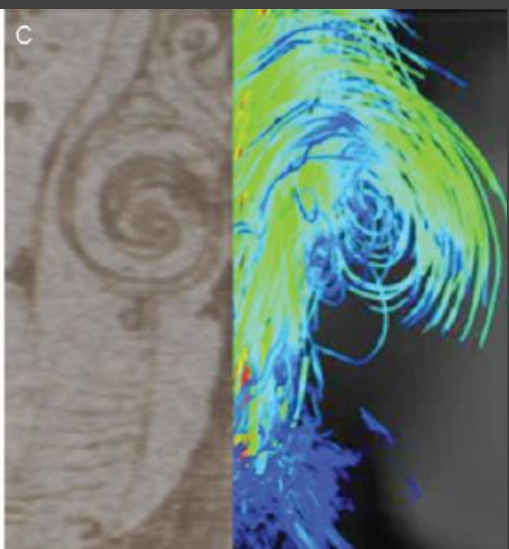
- Maximal opening
- Smooth & "Stress less" closure



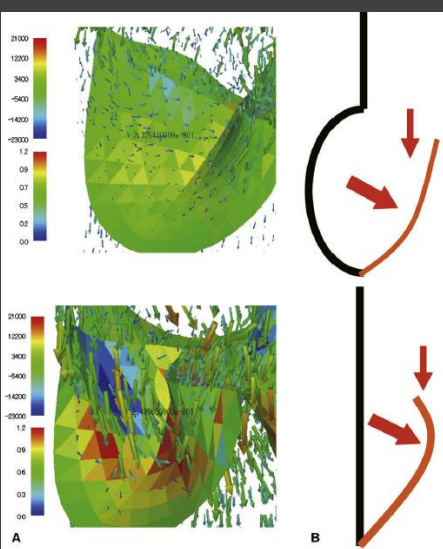
H. Sievers



L. da Vinci 1512



Bissell M. Eur Heart J. 2014



Katayama JTCVS 2008

AV Repair: Valve related event

- Thromboembolic event 0.2 % - 0.7% /y
92-95% @ 10 y; 87- 90% @ 15 y
- Endocarditis 0.2% /y
- All VRE (reop, thromb, bleed, endoc)
74 - 90% @ 10 y; 80% @ 18 y

V. Sharma, H. Schaff JTCVS 2014

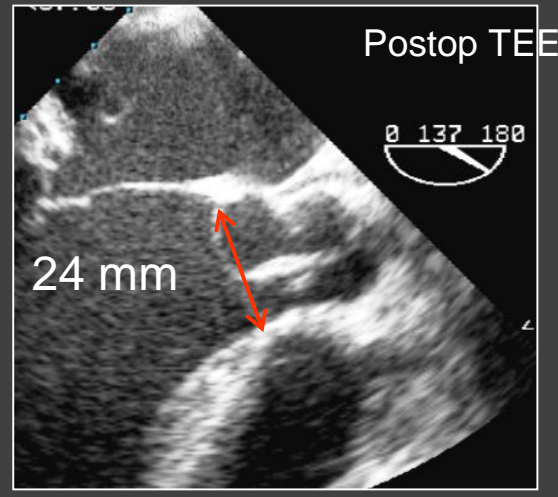
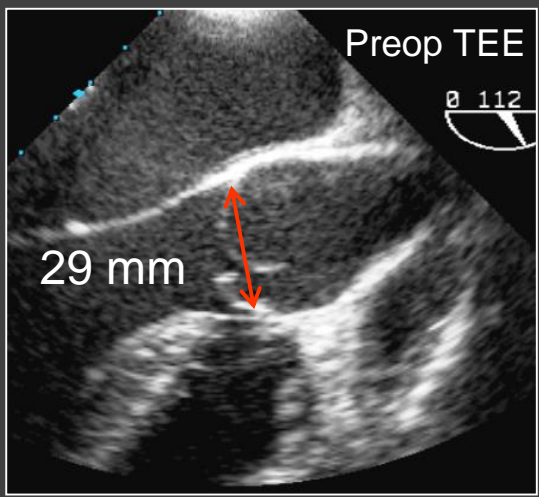
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T. David JTCVS 2014

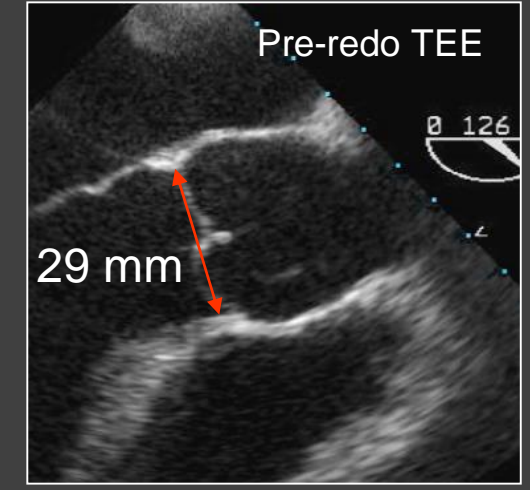
VAJ size after SCA

30 y ♂: **BAV**, raphe res+direct closure, cusps resusp (Gtx), SCA

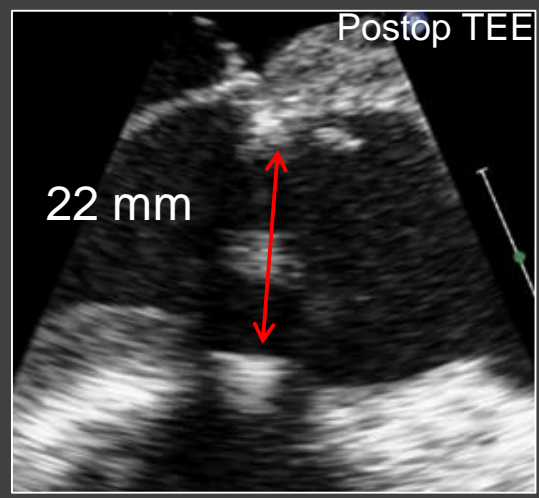
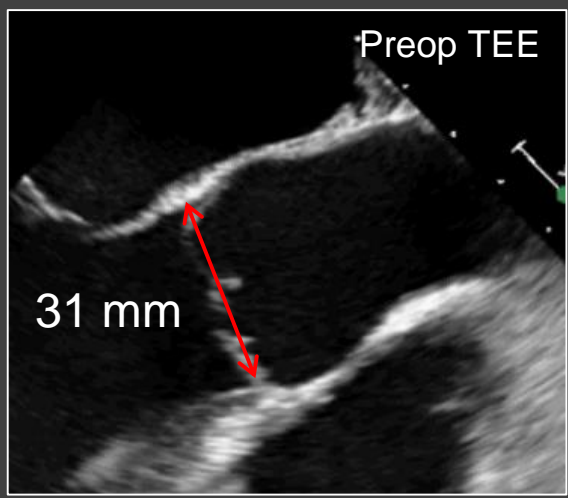


VAJ dilatation

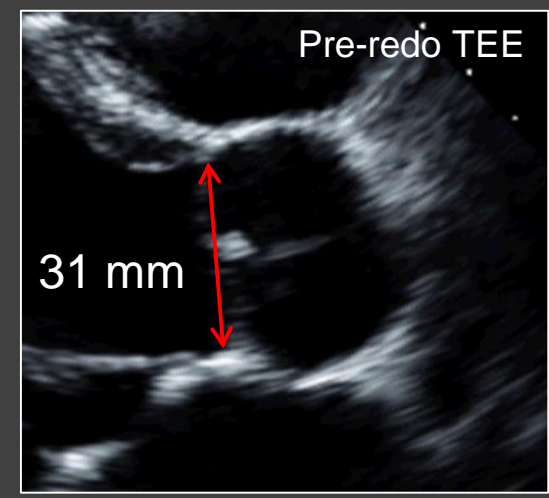
→ 6.5 y later: AI 3+



41 y ♂: **TAV**, RC plication and resuspension (Gtx), SCA



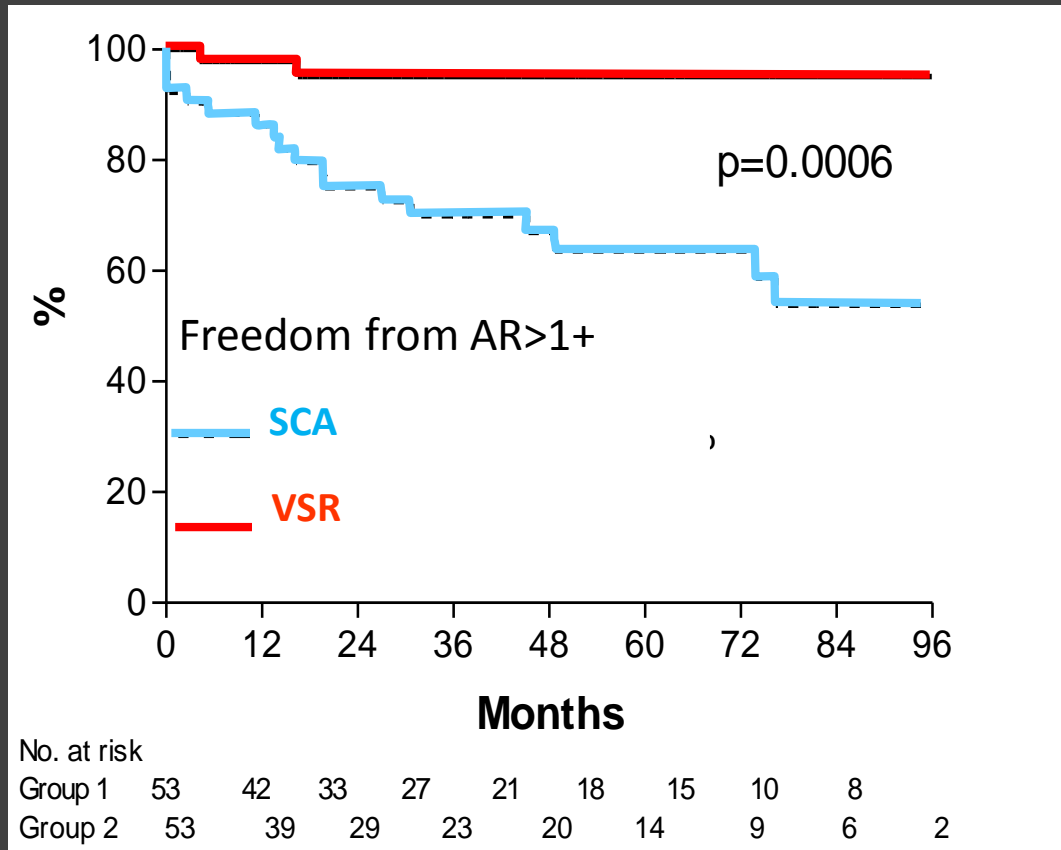
→ 2 y later : AI 3+



AV repair

VAJ dilatation (AI Type 1c)

Matched comparison VSR vs SCA in BAV repair



AV repair

Annuloplasty repair strategy

AV repair for AR

Normal Root (<45 mm)

Dilated Root (≥45 mm)

Normal VAJ (<26 mm)

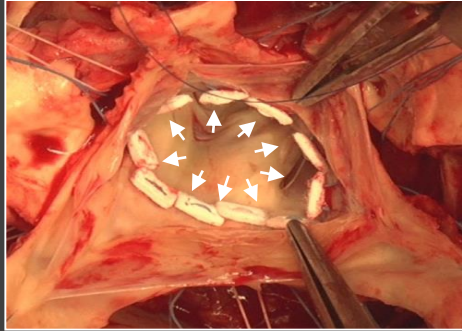
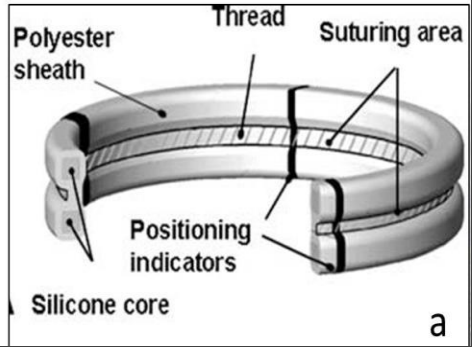
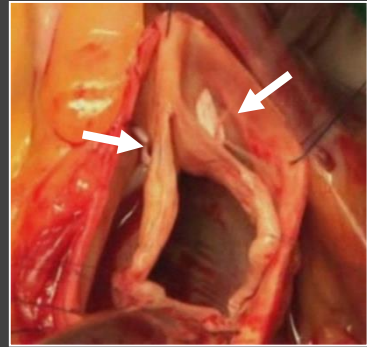
Large VAJ (>26 mm)

Large VAJ (>26 mm)
+ Modify valve geometry

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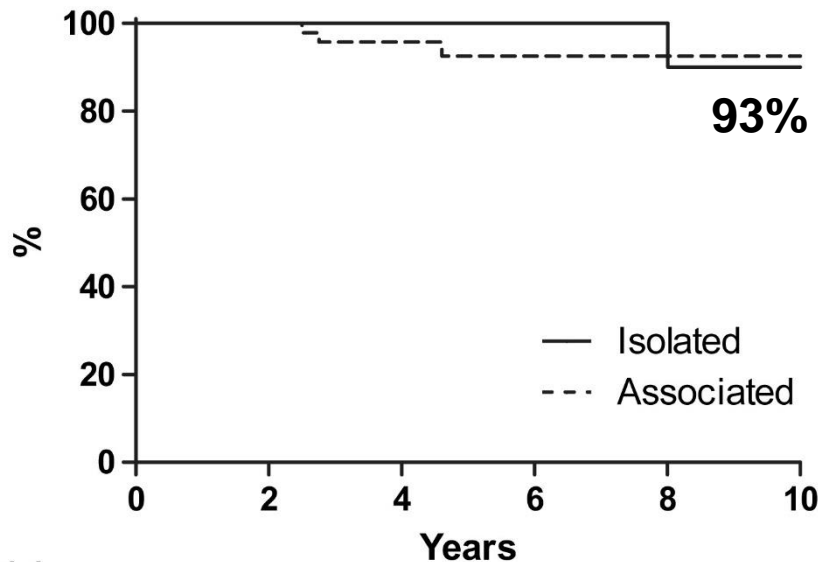
Ring Annuloplasty

VS Reimplantation



AV Repair: Prolapse repair (Type 2)

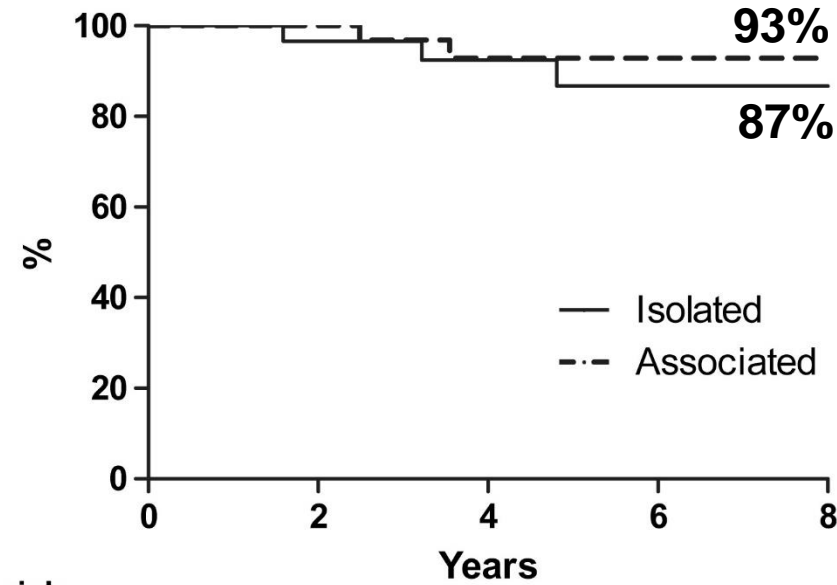
Freedom from AV Reoperation



No. at risk

Isolated	50	43	30	18	11	7
Associated	61	56	35	17	7	4

Freedom from Recurrent AI



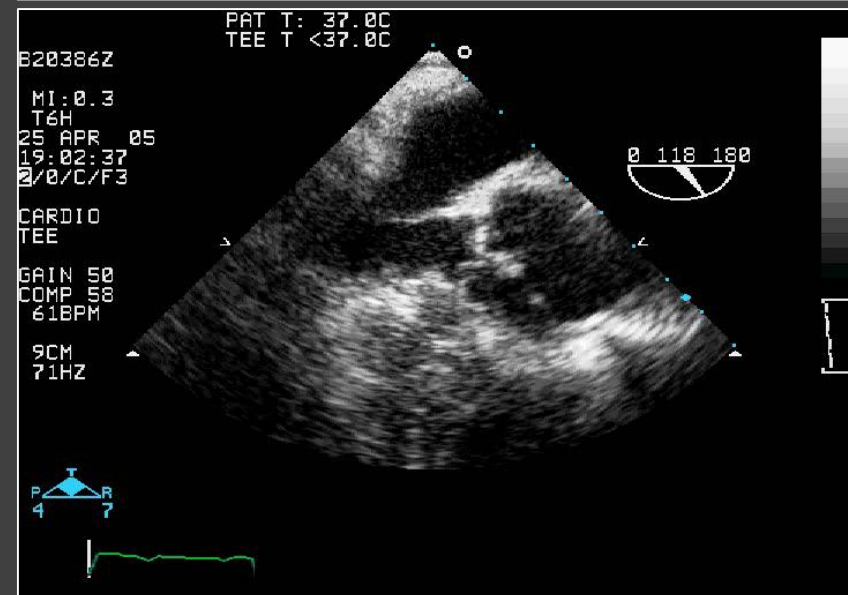
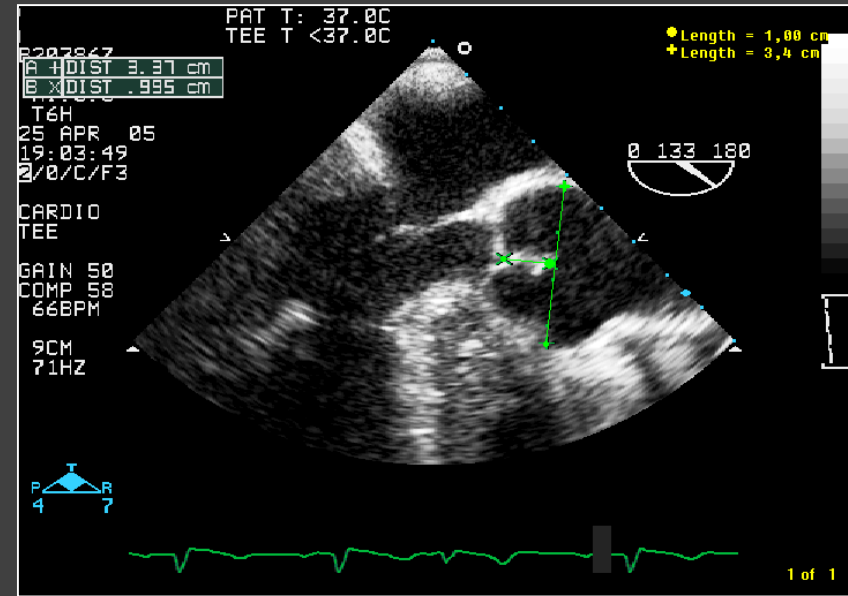
No. at risk

Isolated	50	30	18	9	6
Associated	61	40	22	7	5

Conclusions

Objective: Optimal coaptation + Stabilisation

- Effective height (eH) ≥ 9 mm
- Coaptation length ≥ 4 mm
- Circumferential annuloplasty
VAJ >26
- No residual AR



Pethig K. ATS 2002

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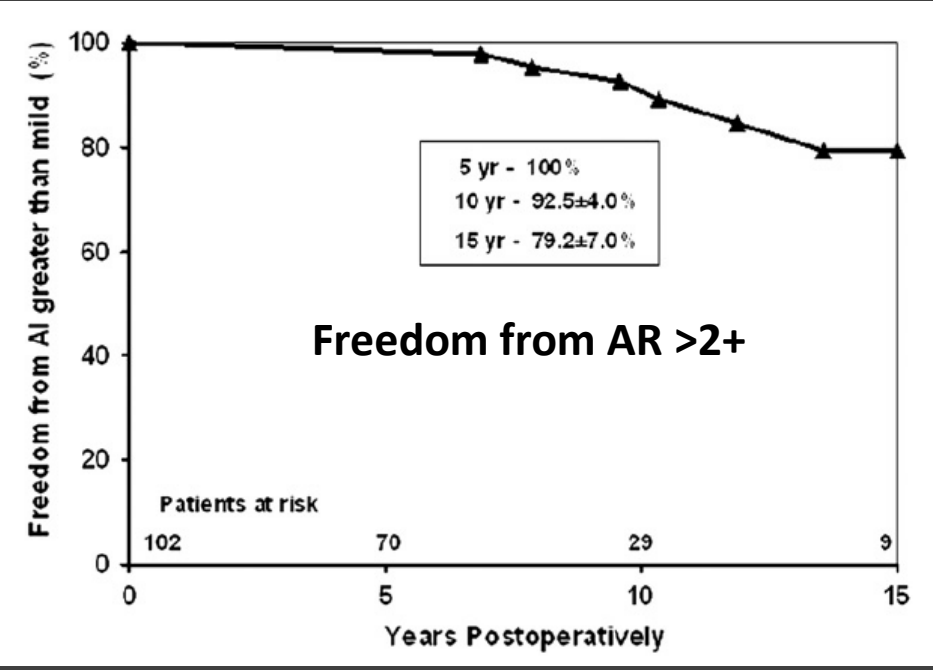
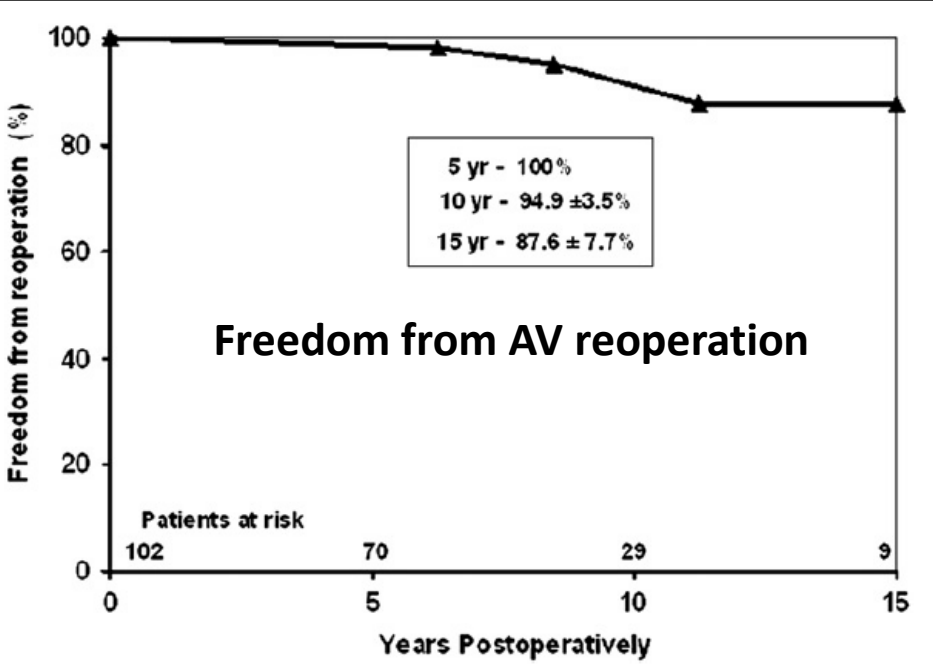
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De Kerchove L. JTCVS 2011

AV repair for AI: Root dilatation (Type 1b) in Marfan syndrome

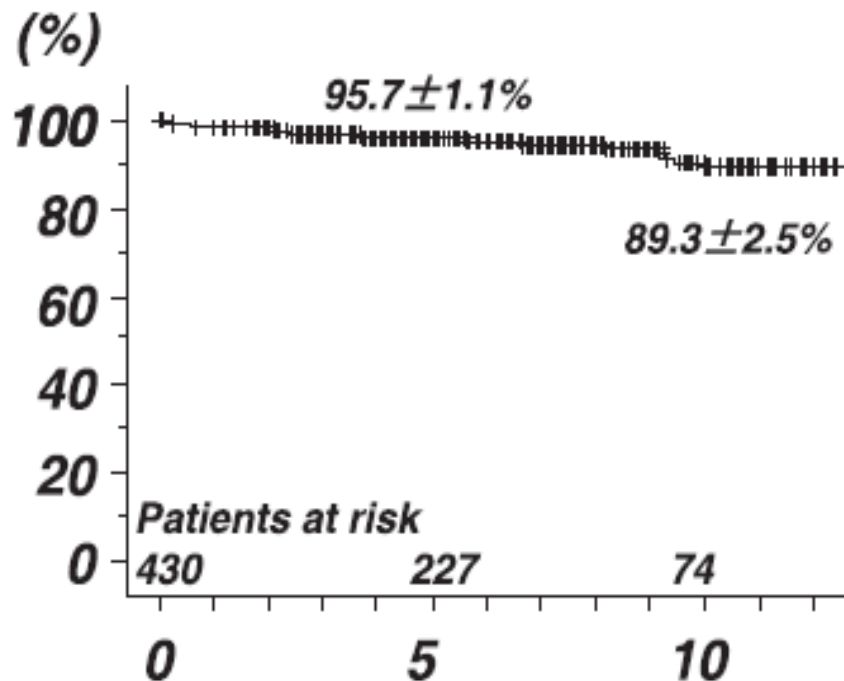
- Toronto: 1988 – 2006, 103 pts, mean age 37 y



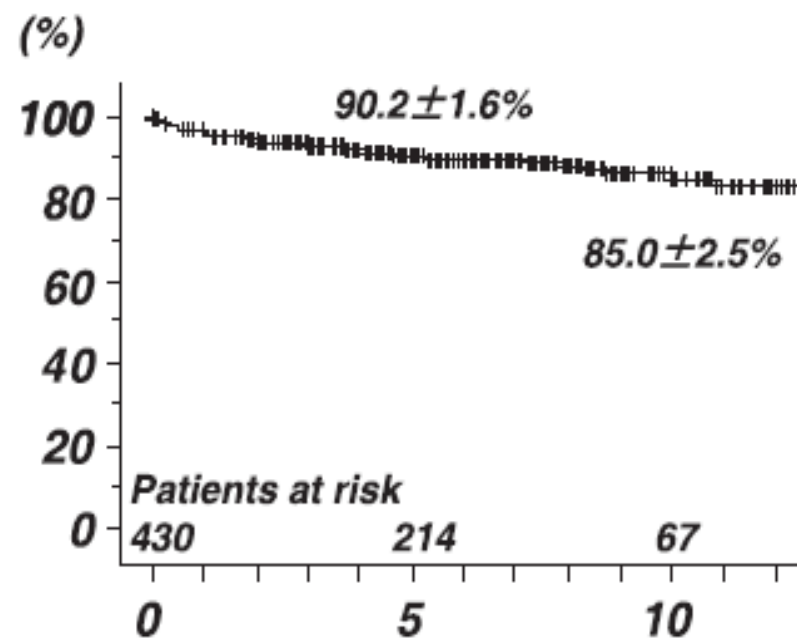
AV repair for AI: Root dilatation (Type 1b)

- Homburg: 1995 – 2009, 430 pts, 30% BAV, 73% cusp repair

Freedom from AV reop.



Freedom from AR $\geq 2+$



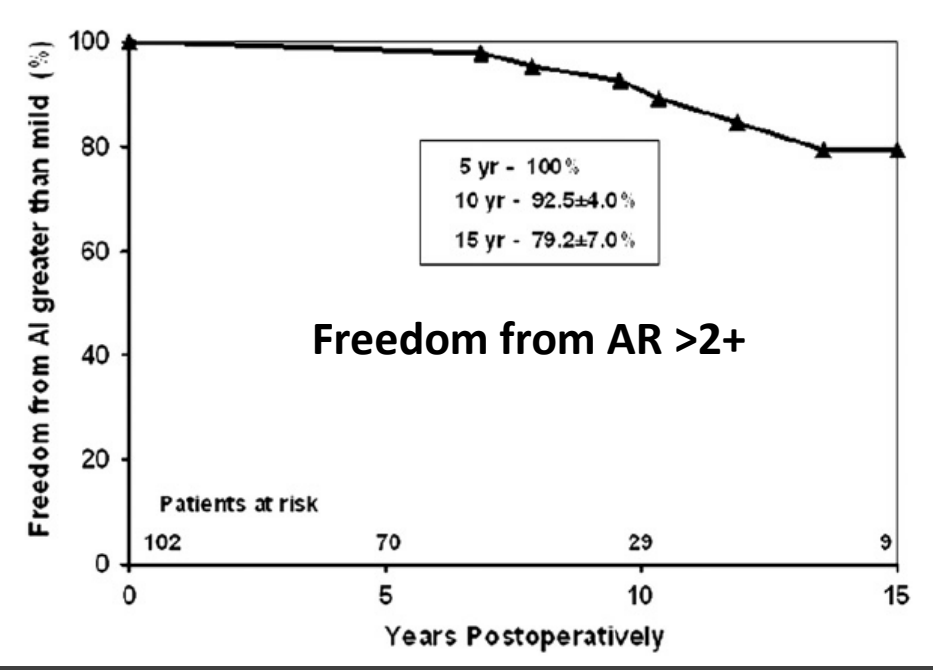
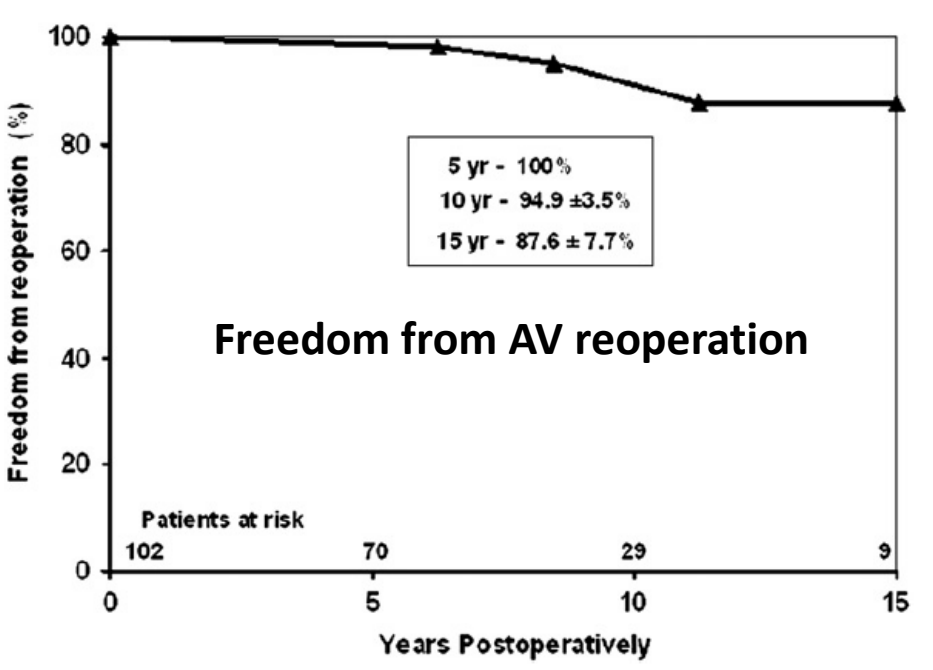
AV Repair: Freedom from Reoperation & AI

Authors	Period	Cohort	Technique	FF AV Reop	FF recurrent AR >2+
H. Schaff JTCVS 2014	1986- 2011	331	Cusp 100% Sparing 0%	10 y 80%	10 y 75%
T. Kuniyama JTCVS 2012	1995-2007	640	Cusp 80% Sparing 50%	10 y 88%	10 y 80%
J. Price ATS 2013	1995-2010	475	Cusp 68% Sparing 50%	10 y 86%	10 y 85%
T. David JTCVS 2014	1988- 2010	371	Cusp 50% Sparing 100%	10 y 97% 18 y 95%	10 y 93% 18 y 78%

Root pathology > Cusp pathology

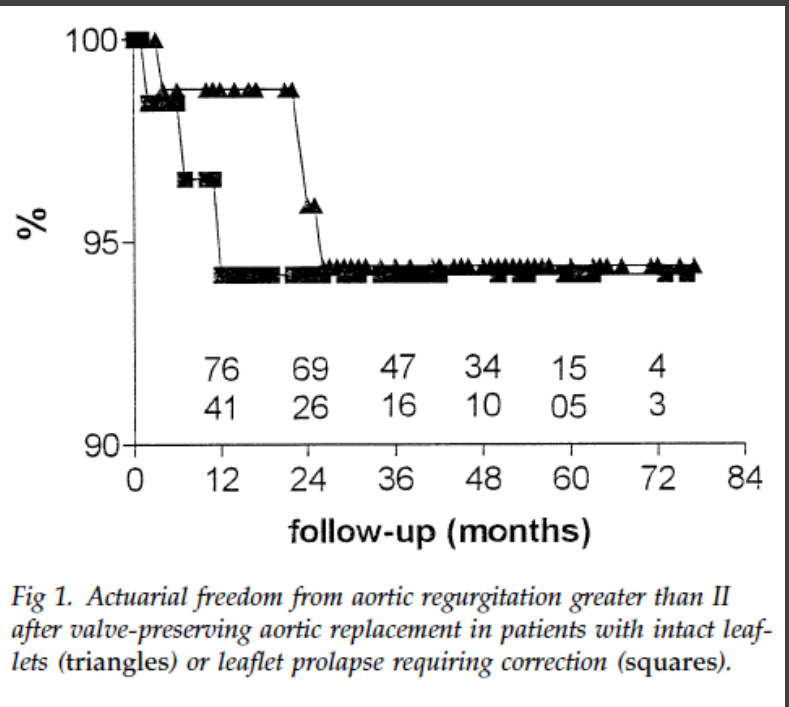
AV Repair:

Valve sparing in Marfan Syndrome

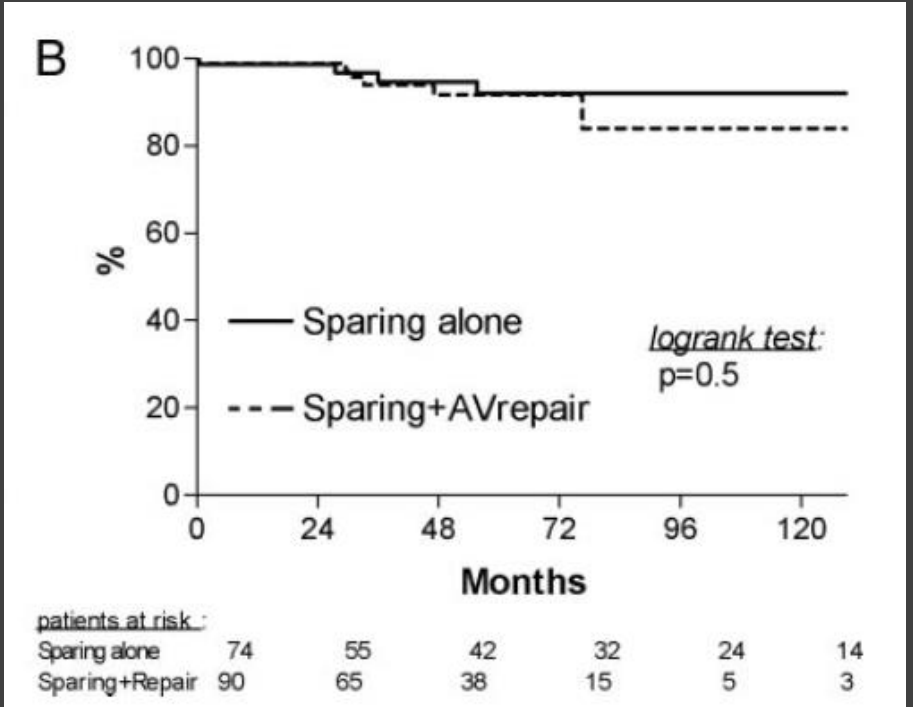


AV Repair:

Leaflet repair in valve sparing surgery



H.J. Schäfers ATS 2002



L. de Kerchove Circ. 2009

Cusp repair = risk factor of reoperation or recurrent AR

- E. Lansac EJCTS 2010 (negative impact of cusp repair decrease with experience)
- P.P. Urbanski EJCTS 2012

AV repair

TAV versus BAV

Freedom from reoperation

BAV

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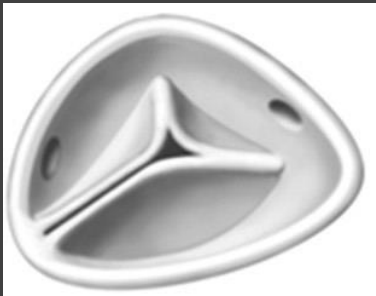
TAV

- 84% (7 y) *Casselman JTCVS 1999*
 - 81% (10 y) *Aicher EJCTS 2010*
 - 81% (10 y) *Price ATS 2013*
- 94% (12 y) *David JTCVS 2010*
 - 93% (10 y) *Aicher EJCTS 2010*
 - 89% (10 y) *Price ATS 2013*

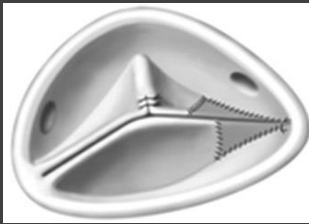
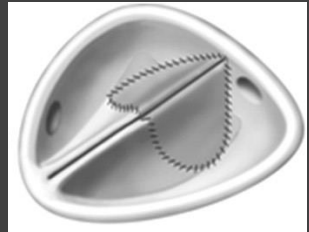
AV Leaflet Repair: Results

Unicuspid valve repair

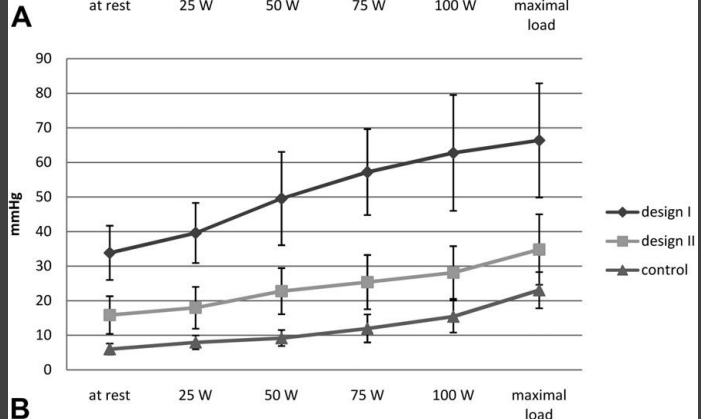
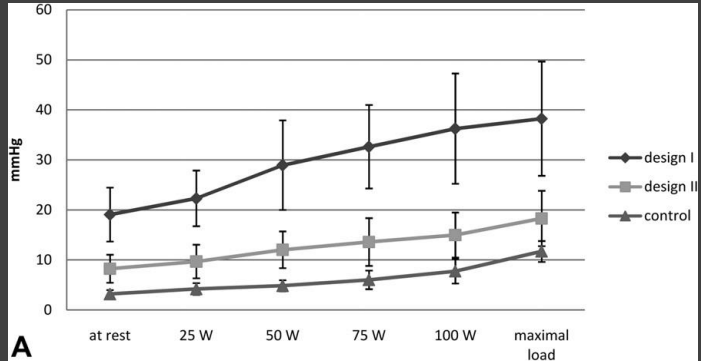
- 2001 – 2011: 118 pts
- mean age: 27 years
- FF reoperation @ 3 years: 80%



86 %



Design I



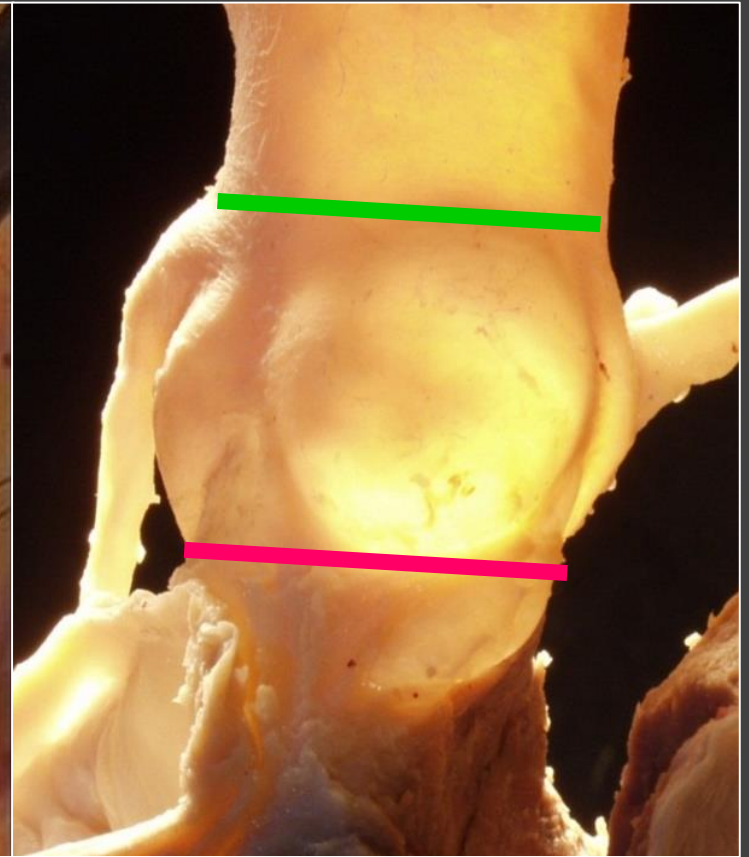
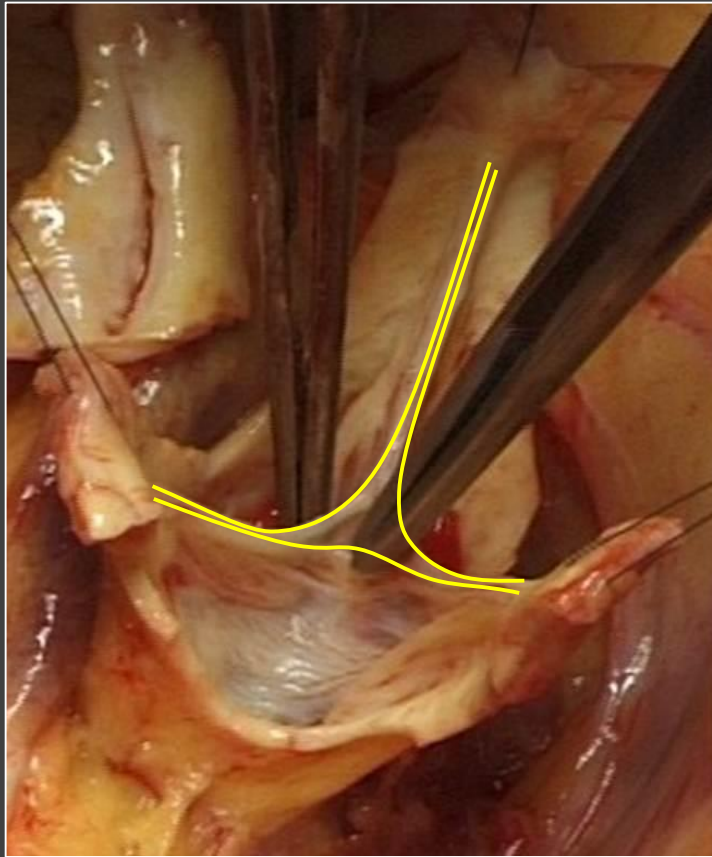
Functional classification of aortic regurgitation

The functional aortic valve unit

1. Cusp

2. STJ

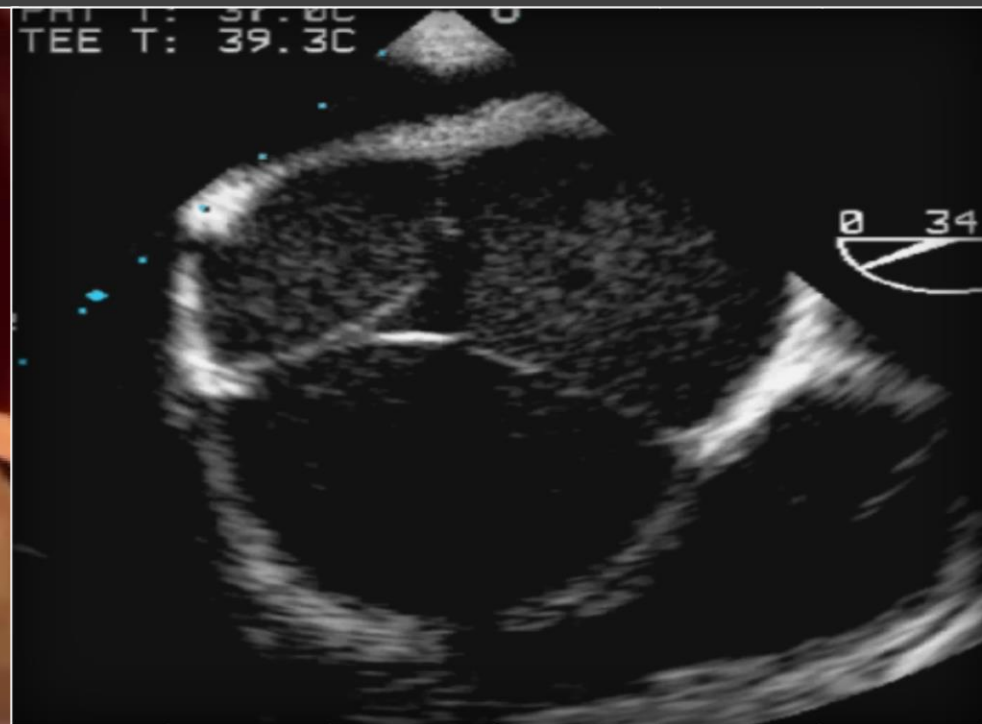
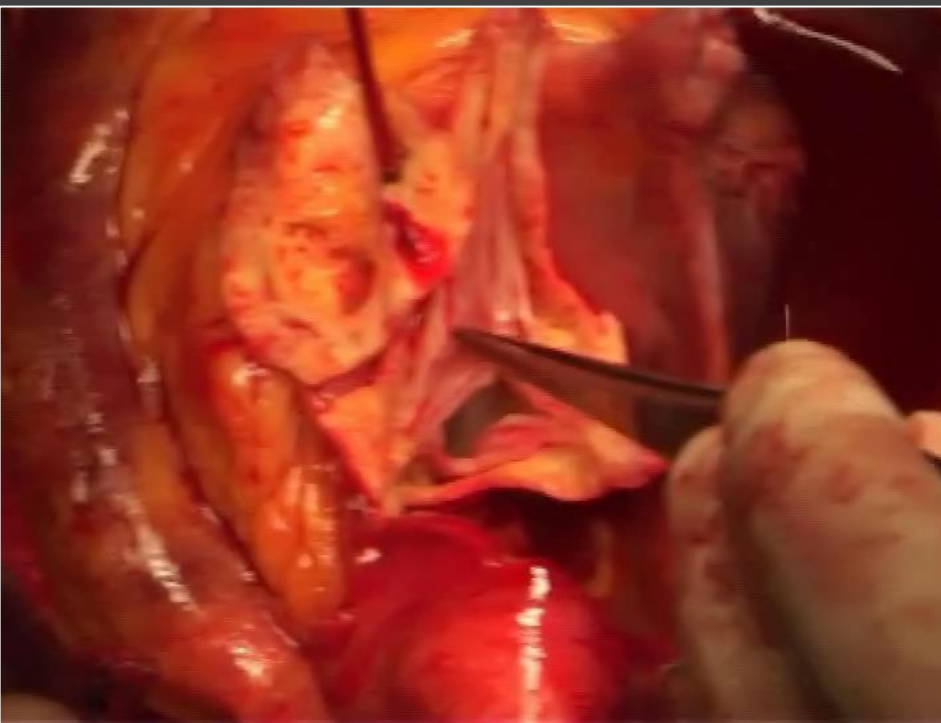
3. VAJ



Functional classification of aortic regurgitation

Mechanism of AV dysfunction

STJ dilatation



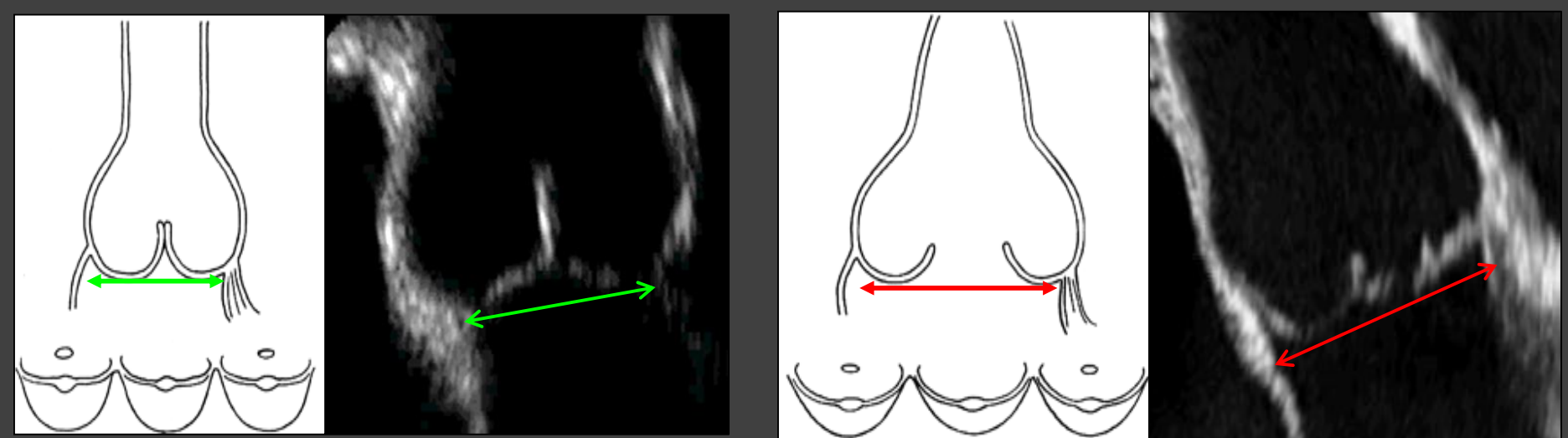
Functional classification of aortic regurgitation

Mechanism of AV dysfunction

VAJ dilatation, "Annuloectasia"

Normal

Dilated



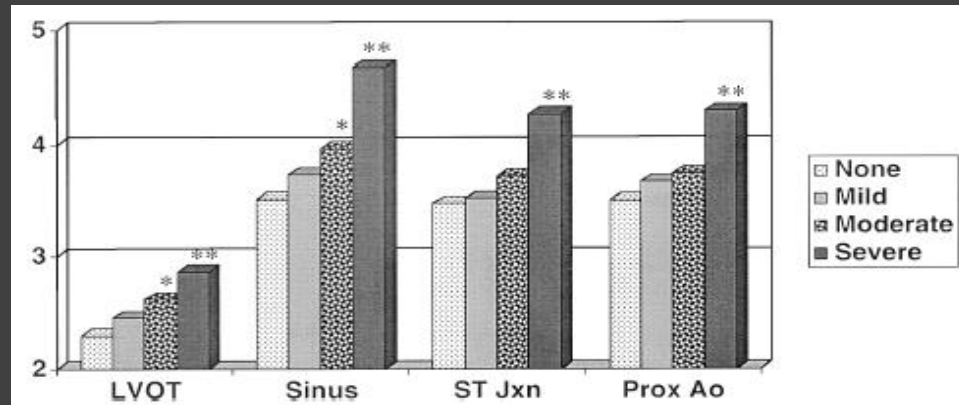
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Table II. Degree of AR and aortic root size indexed by body surface area at follow-up study

	Mild AR (cm/m ²) (n = 67)	Moderate AR (cm/m ²) (n = 45)	Severe AR (cm/m ²) (n = 15)	p Value*
Aortic annulus	1.29 ± 0.23	1.38 ± 0.23	1.39 ± 0.11	0.055
Valsalva sinuses	1.89 ± 0.34	2.04 ± 0.31	2.09 ± 0.32	0.025
Supraaortic ridge	1.49 ± 0.30	1.71 ± 0.35	1.76 ± 0.43	0.001
Ascending aorta	1.97 ± 0.42	2.16 ± 0.49	2.19 ± 0.47	0.049

Padial LR, Am Heart J. 1997



Keane MG, Circulation. 2000

*In patients with chronic AR, the severity of AR is correlated with the degree of **STJ** and **VAJ** dilatation*

AV Repair

Surgery for AI

- Symptomatic severe AI
- Assympt severe AI + EF <50%
or + LVED >65 (70) mm, LVES >50 mm

Surgery for Ao. Aneurism

- > 55 mm in TAV
- > 50 mm in Marfan, BAV at risk
- > 45 mm in Marfan at risk, if surgery for severe AI

AV Repair

Aorta lesions

- Type 1a: STJ (Asc Ao)
- Type 1b: STJ + VAJ (Root)
- Type 1c: VAJ

Repair techniques

- Supra cor. Asc Ao replac.
- AV sparing Reimpl./ Remodel.
- SCA / Ring annuloplasty

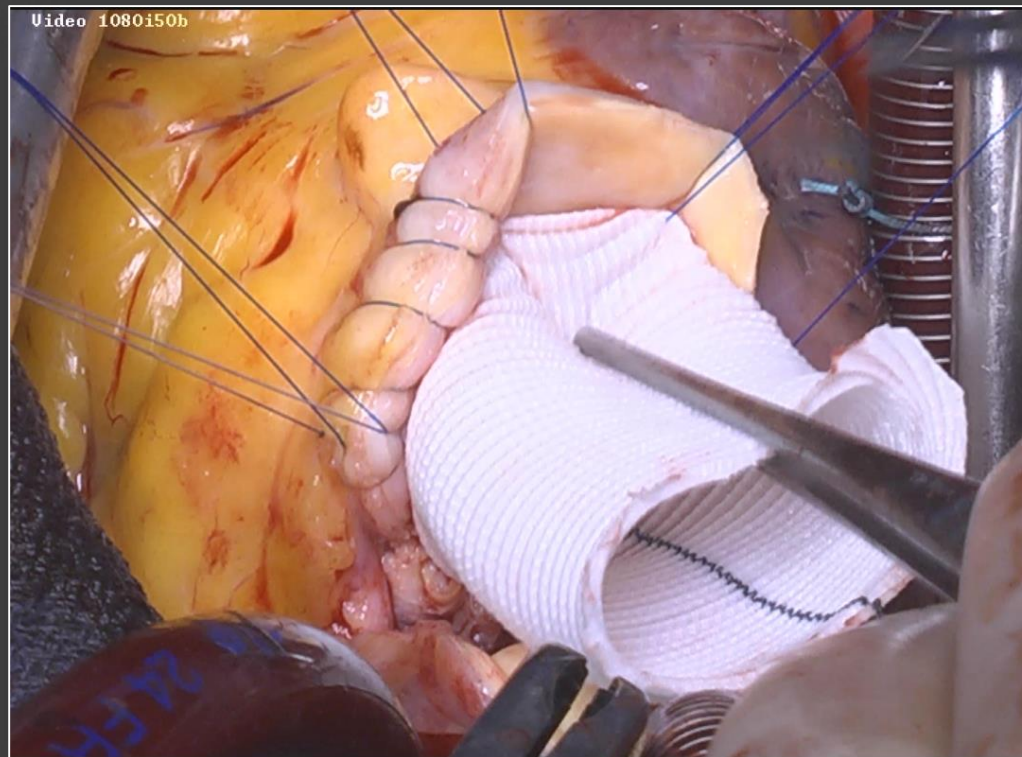
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Repair techniques

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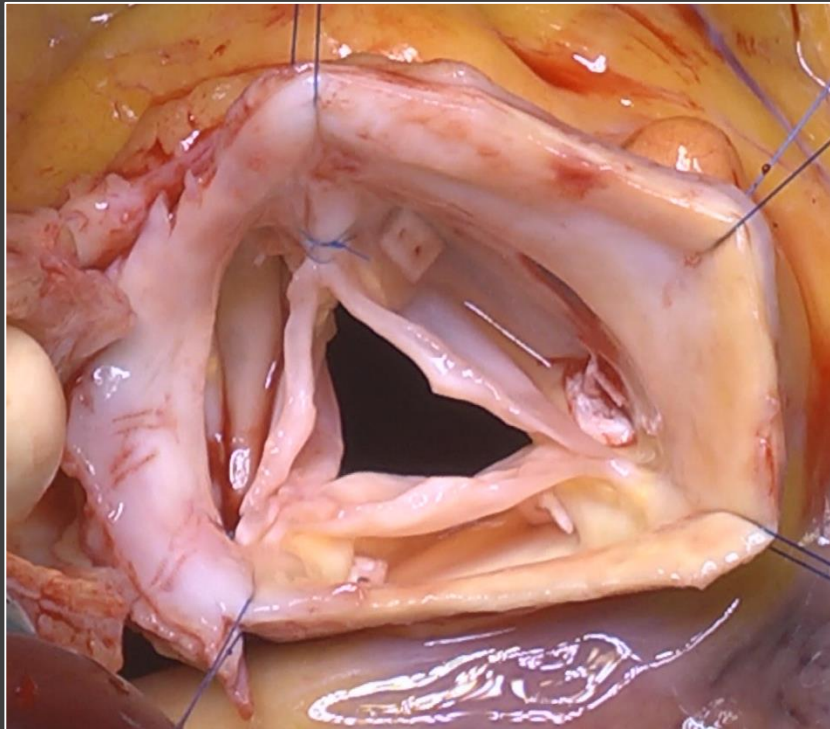
→ Supra cor. Asc Ao replac.



AV Repair

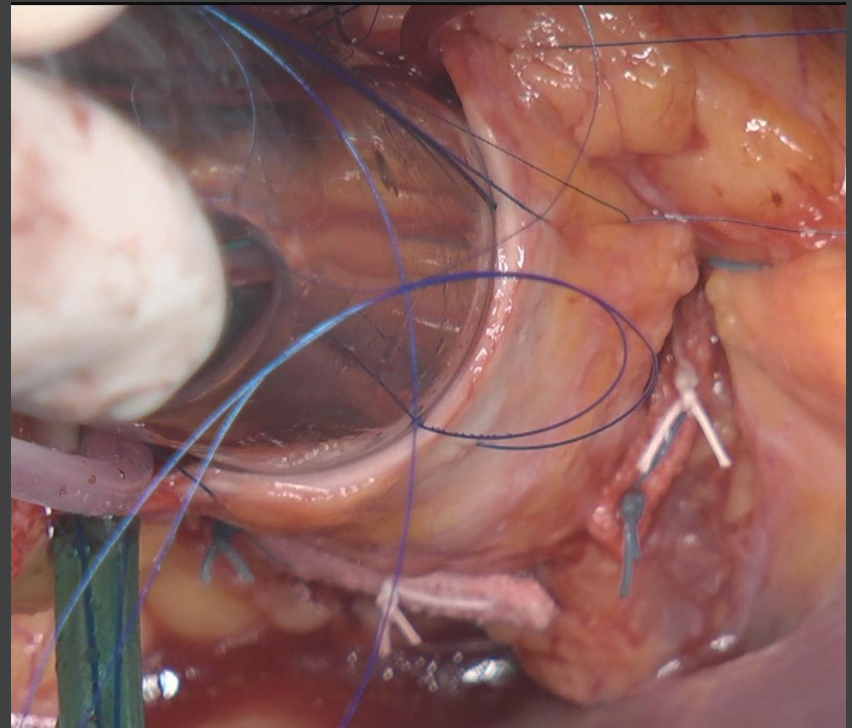
Aorta lesions

- Type 1c: VAJ



Repair techniques

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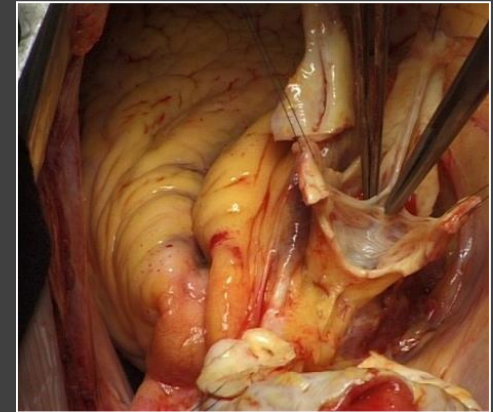
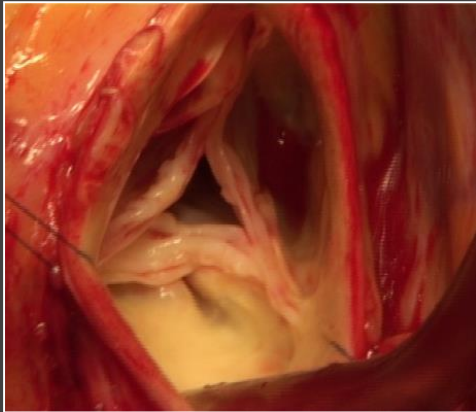


Principles of AV repair/sparing surgery

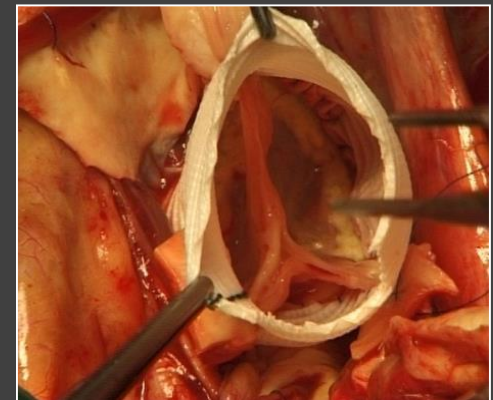
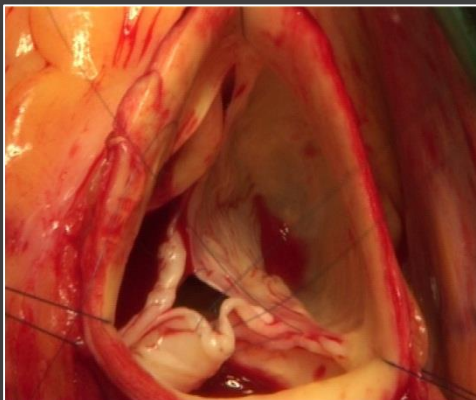
1. Repair and preserve cusp geometry and motion

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2. Remodel and stabilize the FAA

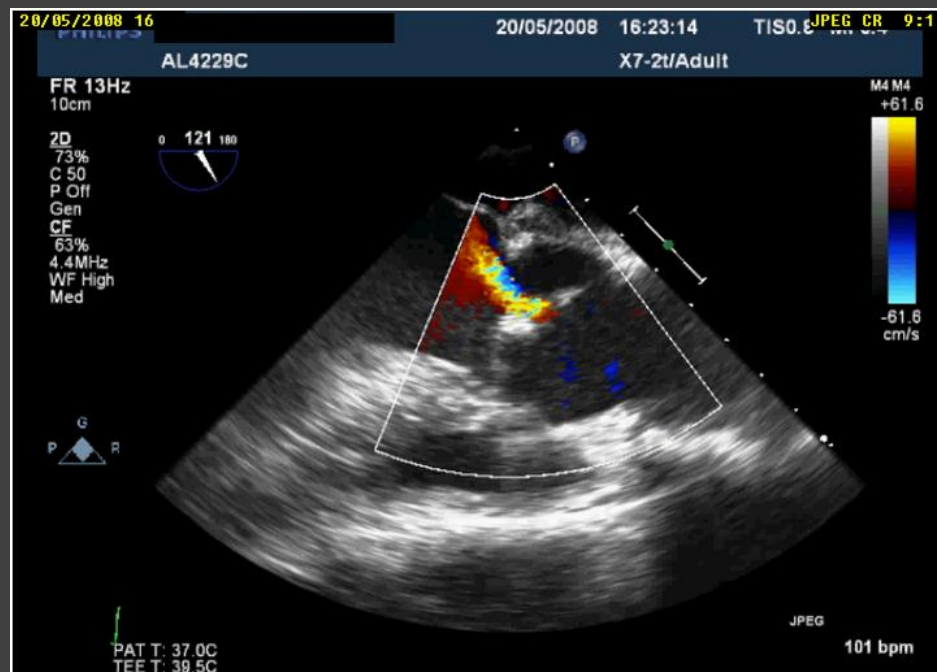
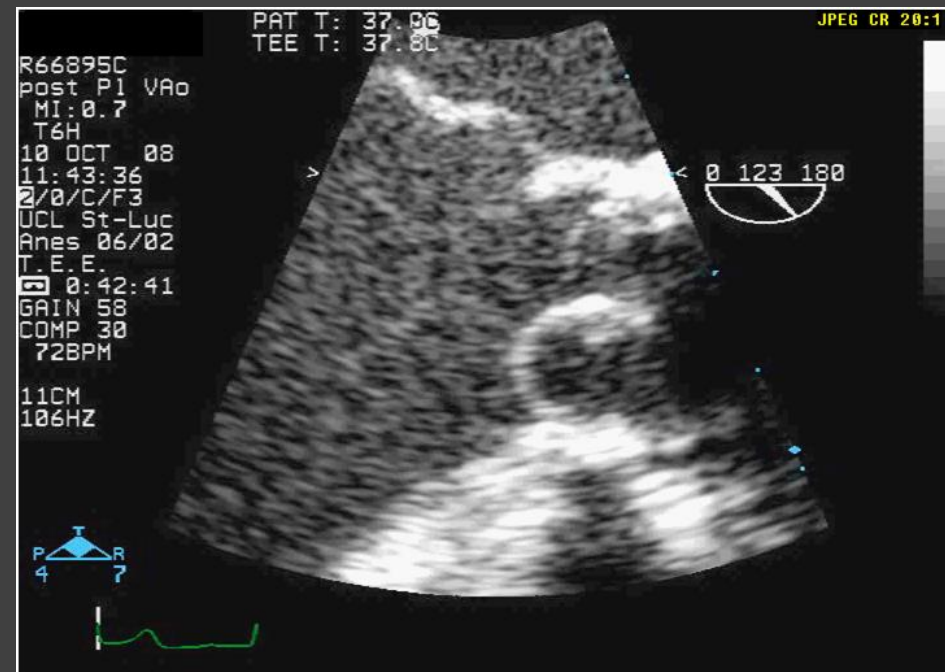


To create an optimal area of coaptation, stable over time



Principles of AV repair/sparing surgery

Optimal coaptation ?

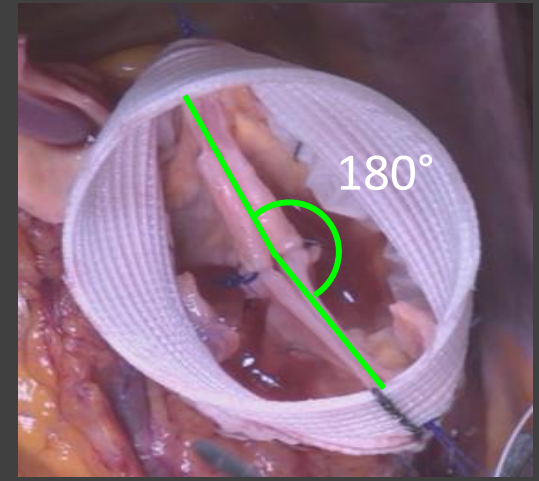
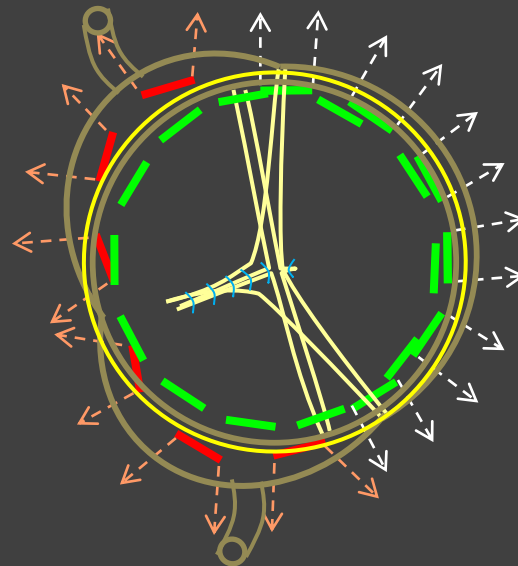
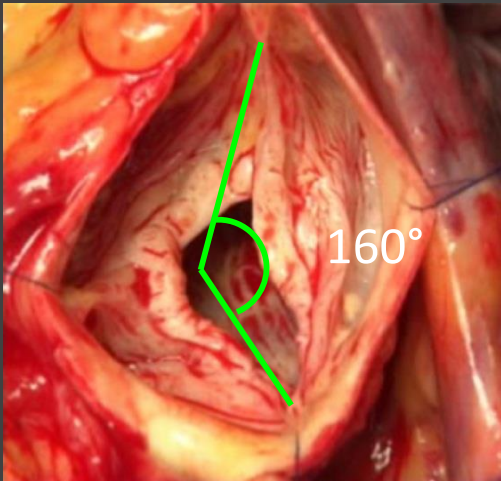


BAV repair

Valve sparing Reimplantation

1. Circumferential prosthetic based annuloplasty
2. Modify commissure orientation ($\approx 180^\circ$)
 - Improve durability
 - Reduce the need of patch repair

Type 1 BAV

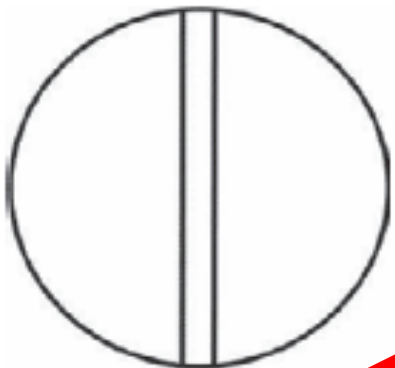
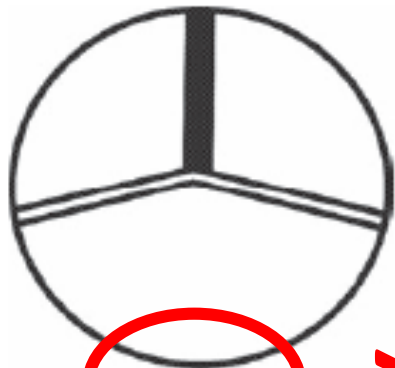


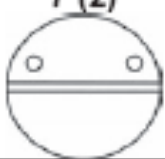






AV Repair

- Classification
- Techniques of repair
 - Cusp repair
 - Aortic repair/ annuloplasty
- Results of repair

BAV Repair

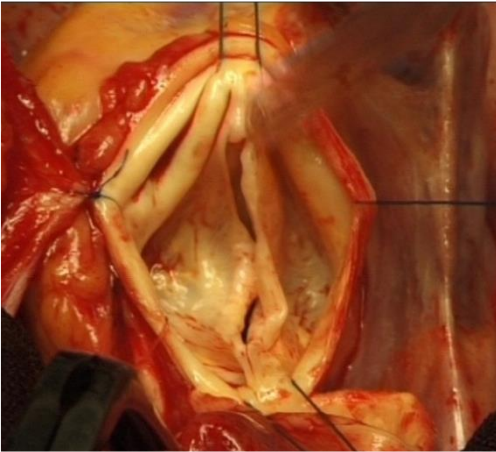
Classification of cusp phenotypes

<u>main category:</u> number of raphes	0 raphe - Type 0		1 raphe - Type 1			2 raphes - Type 2
	 21 (7)		 269 (88)			 14 (5)
<u>1. subcategory:</u> spatial position of cusps in Type 0 and raphes in Types 1 and 2	lat 13 (4) 	ap 7 (2) 	L - R 216 (71) 	R - N 45 (15) 	N - L 8 (3) 	L - R / R - N 14 (5) 
	<u>2. subcategory:</u> V A L V U L A R F U N C T I O N					
I	6 (2)	1 (0.3)	79 (26)	22 (7)	3 (1)	6 (2)
S	7 (2)	5 (2)	119 (39)	15 (5)	3 (1)	6 (2)
B (I + S)		1 (0.3)	15 (5)	7 (2)	2 (1)	2 (1)
No			3 (1)	1 (0.3)		

BAV repair

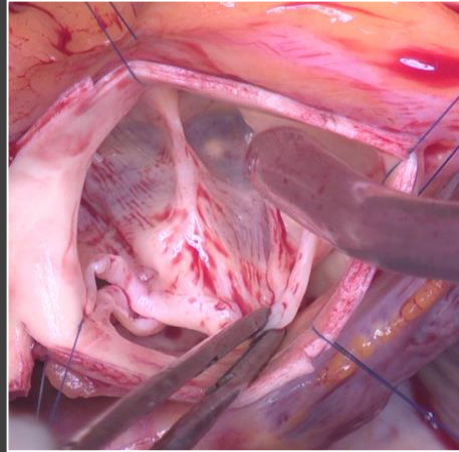
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Type 0 (*Sievers Classif.*)

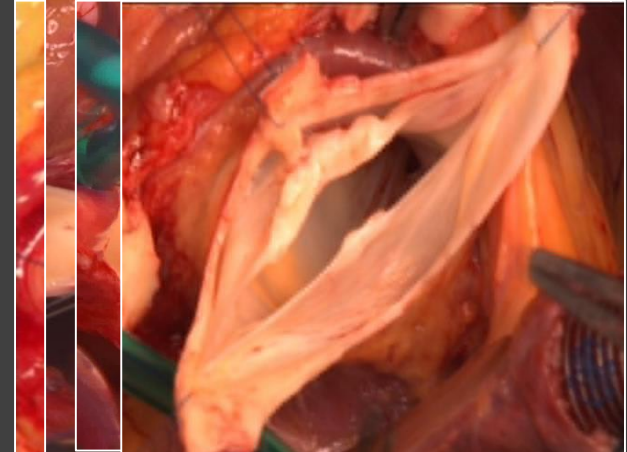


- $\approx 180^\circ$
- No raphe
- Prolapse

Type 1 (*Sievers classif.*)



- Raphe
- Complete fusion
- $160^\circ - 180^\circ$
- Prolapse

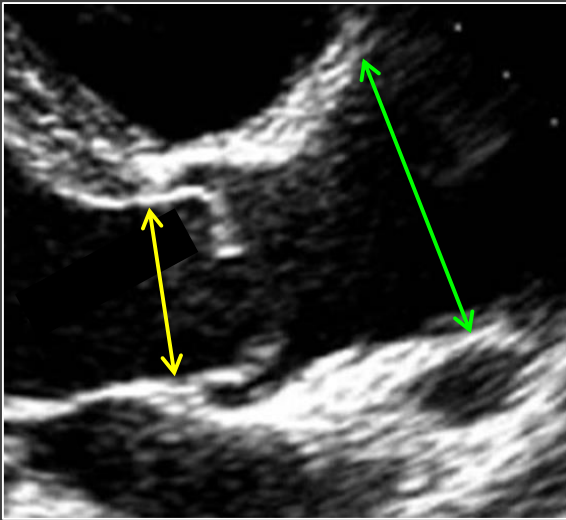


- Thick, calc. raphe
- Incomplete fusion
- $120^\circ - 160^\circ$
- Restrictive

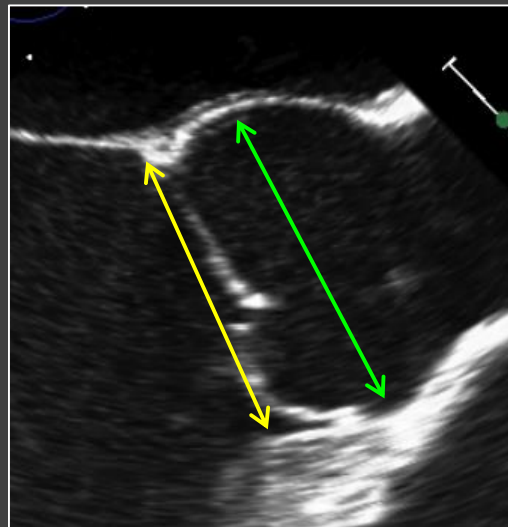
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Aortopathy

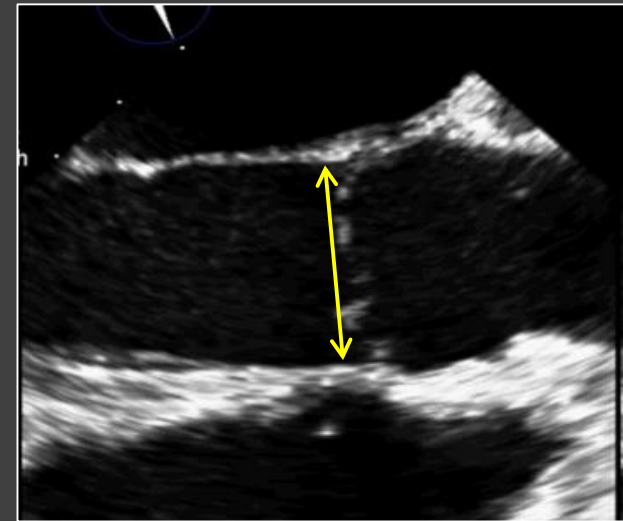
Dilated Asc. Aorta



Dilated Root



Normal Aorta

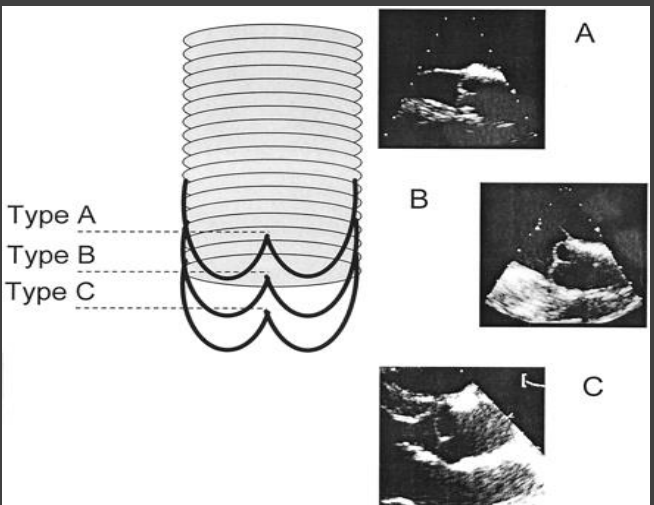


- Dilated ventriculo-aortic junction **28 – 30 mm**

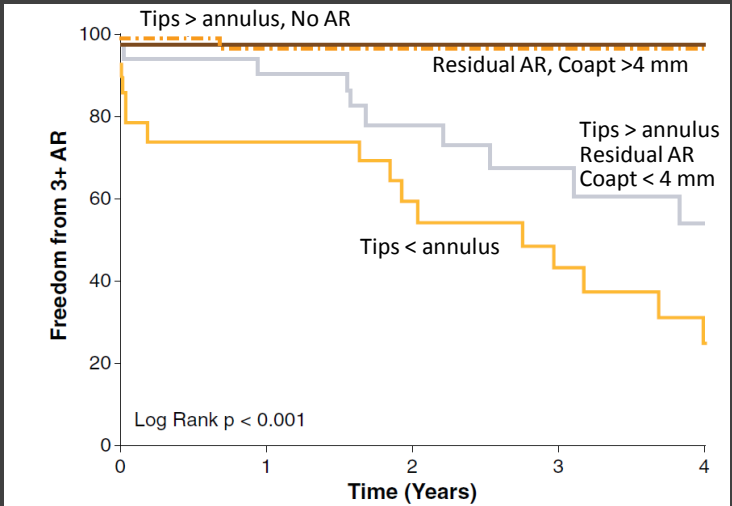
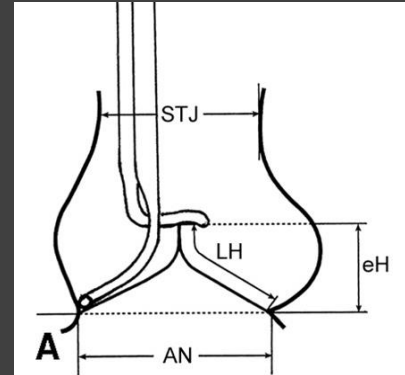
de Kerchove JTCVS 2010
Schäfers JTCVS 2013

AV repair

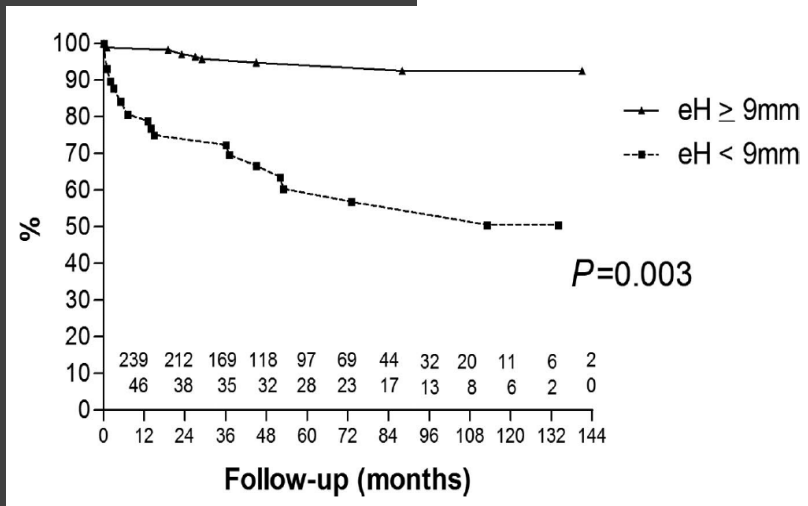
Risk factor of repair failure: Cusp coaptation



Pethig K. ATS 2002



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Aicher D. Circ. 2011

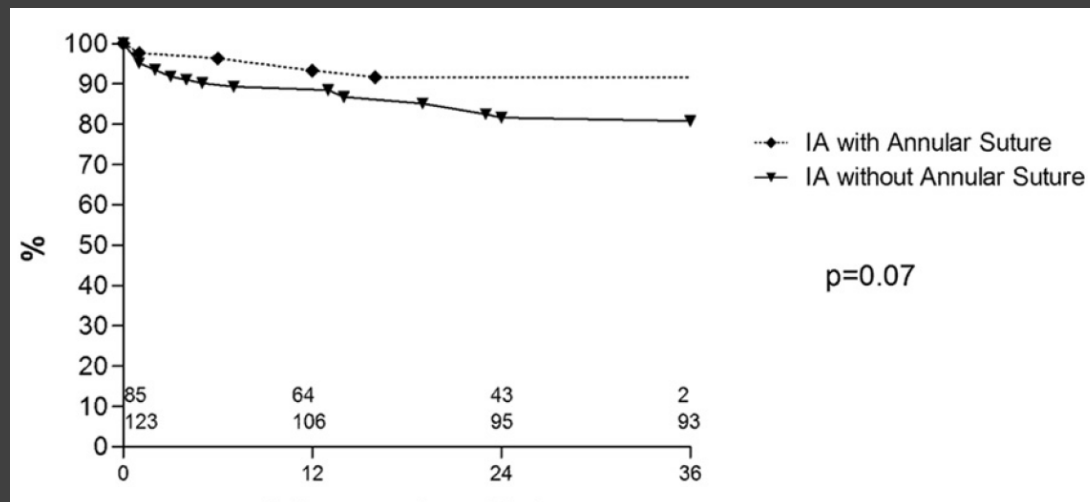
Effect of VAJ annuloplasty on repair durability

✓ *Lansac E., EJCTS 2006:*

- 87 pts, 95% TAV
- 100% Remodeling, 60% with ring annuloplasty
- Less early residual or recurrent AI in Remodeling + ring group

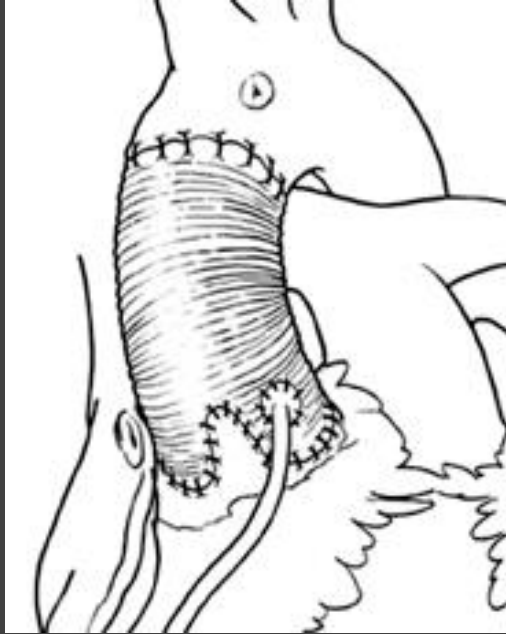
✓ *Aicher D., JTCS 20013:*

- 559 BAV repair
- 193 (34%) VAJ suture annuloplasty in patient VAJ >27 mm
- Less early residual or recurrent AI in annuloplasty group



VAJ and valve sparing root replacement

Remodeling



Reimplantation



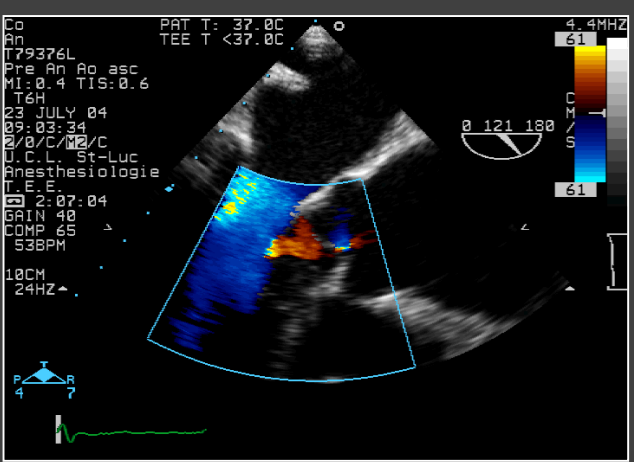
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Suggest better repair durability with the Reimplantation technique

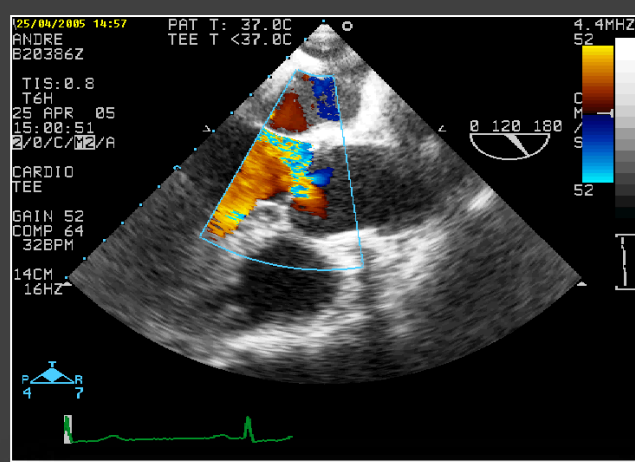
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Mechanism of dysfunction may coexist

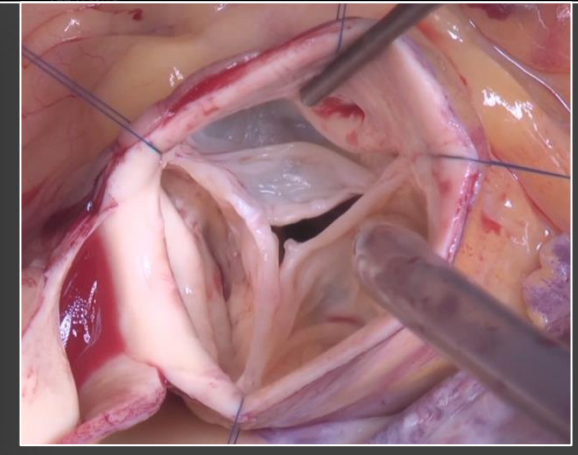
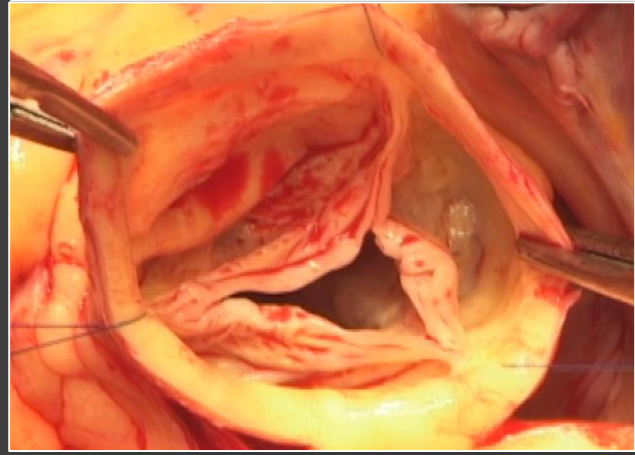
Type 1a+2



Type 1b+2



Type 1c+2



Valve Sparing root replacement

Probability of Cusp Repair

➤ AV morphology

- In tricuspid **52%**
T. David JTCS. 2006: ±58%
D. Aicher. JTCS 2007: ±53%
- In bicuspid **93%**
D. Aicher. JTCS 2007: ±86%