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# Explantation of different EVAR devices with infection



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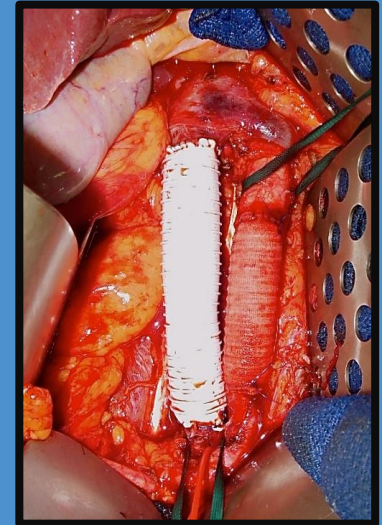
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- With Maquet-GETINGE
- BUT NO CONFLICTS WITH ALL EVAR COMPANIES

# Epidemiology

- Overall Graft infections : 1 to 6 % (except dialysis)
- Aortic graft infection : < 1 %
- Aorto bi-femoral graft infection: 2%
- infra-inguinal bypass > 6%
- Graft for dialysis access : 3 à 35%
- **EVAR 0.2 to 5%**



*Diagnosis and management of prosthetic vascular graft infections L. Legout et al. Med Mal Infect 2012*

*Surgical treatment of infected prosthetic dialysis arteriovenous grafts: total versus partial graft excision*

*P Warren et al. Am Journ of Surgery 2007*

*Treatment and outcomes of aortic endograft infection Smeds et al J Vasc Surg 2016*

# Risk Factors for Graft Infection

Patient	Operation	After intervention
Age	Angiography	Inflammation
Men	Groin incision	Serum
Obesity	Long intervention	
Heart failure	Redo Surgery	
Immunodeficiency	Emergency	
Diabetes		
Kidney failure		
COPD		
Leg ulcers		

**Undetermined for EVAR**



Local complications: graft infection. M.R. Back. Rutherford's vascular surgery (7th ed.)

Vascular graft infections. B Hasse et al. European Journal of Medical Sciences 2013

# Symptoms of EVAR infection

- From Smeds et al J Vasc Surg 2016
- 2004-2014 multicentric, USA
- 206 patients

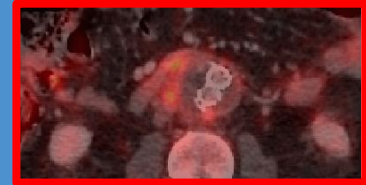
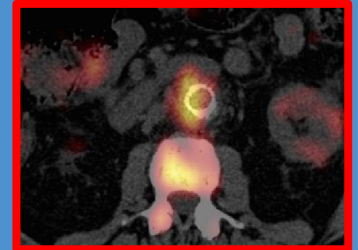
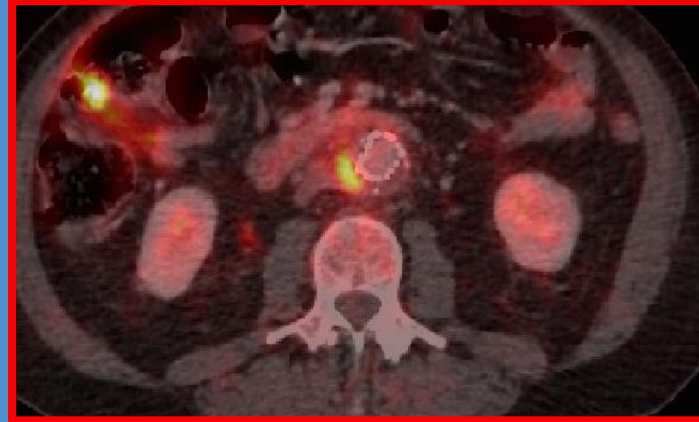
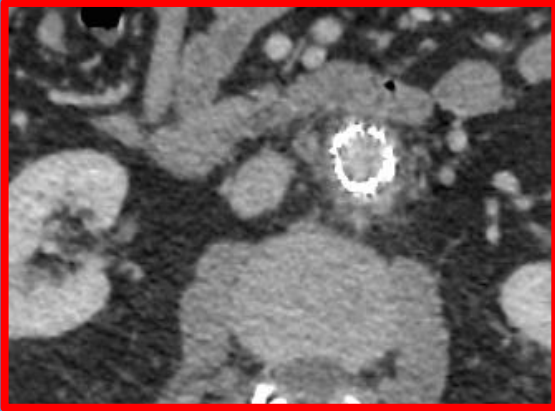
◆ 180 EVAR

◆ 26 TEVAR

<i>Presenting symptom</i>	<i>No. (%) (N = 206)</i>
Pain	137 (66)
Back	71 (52)
Abdominal	47 (34)
Groin	8 (6)
Chest	7 (5)
Flank	4 (3)
Fever/chills	137 (66)
Aortic fistula	55 (27)
Endoleak	50 (24)
Rupture	23 (11)
Asymptomatic	10 (5)

Smeds et al J Vasc Surg 2016

# Imaging a suspicion



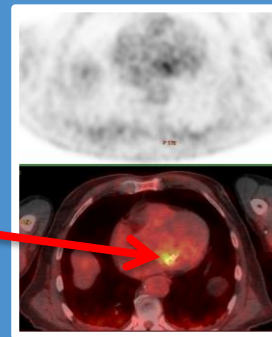
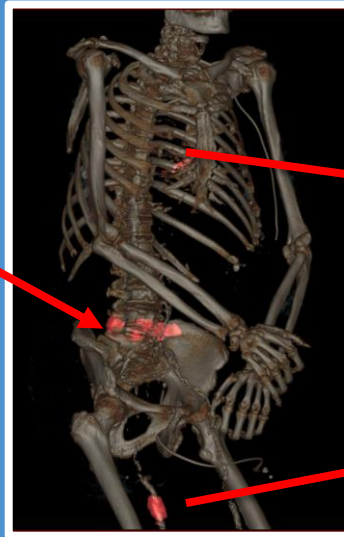
CTA with periaortic neck infiltration in contact with duodenum

A PET CTA with uptake in the neck (potential enteric fistula?)

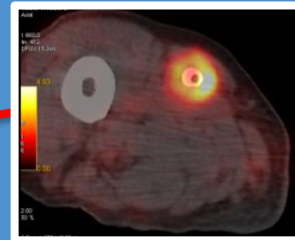


# Determine the infection scenario with PET-CT

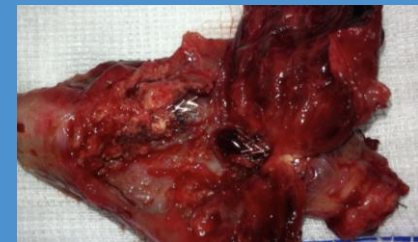
Spondylodiscitis



Endocarditis



Stent in femoral position infected



*Berard et al. Circulation 2014*

# Which approach?

- Trans-abdominal

- ◆ Need for bowel repair

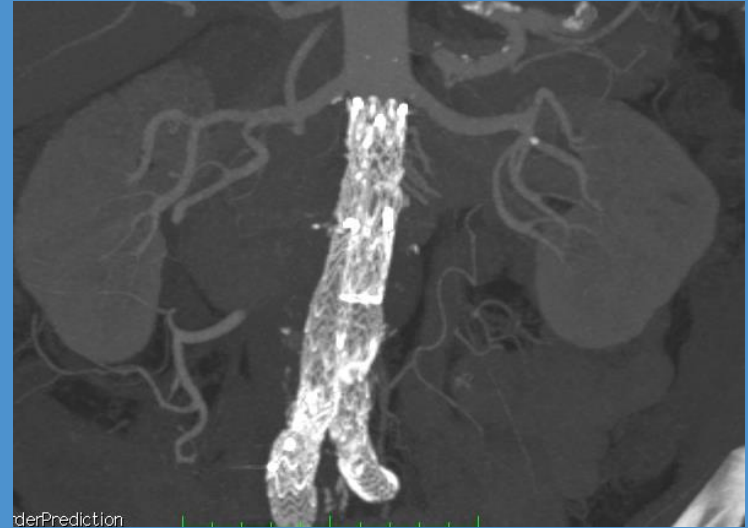
- ◆ Difficult right iliac limb extraction

- ◆ Okay for Simple aortic proximal fixation

- ◆ Gore C3

- ◆ SupraRenal stent not above SMA

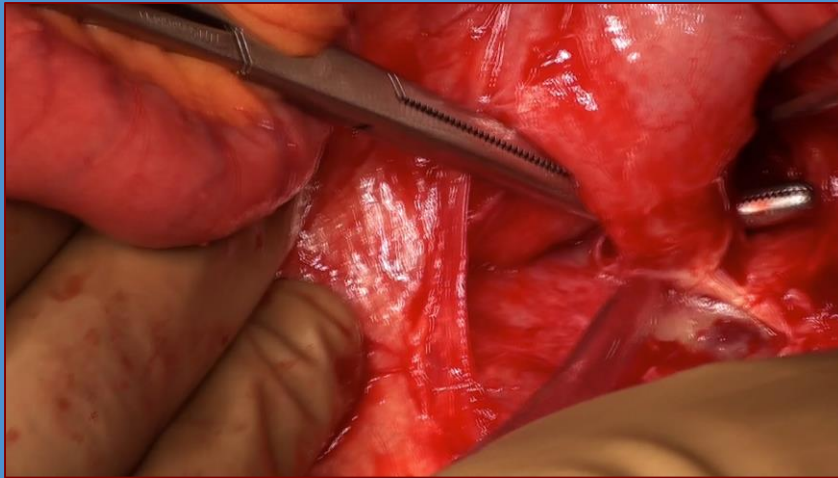
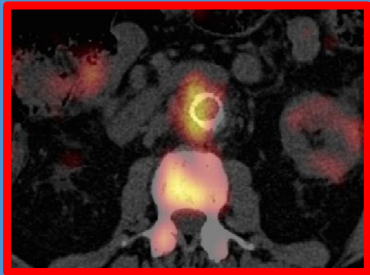
- ◆ Nice renal arteries



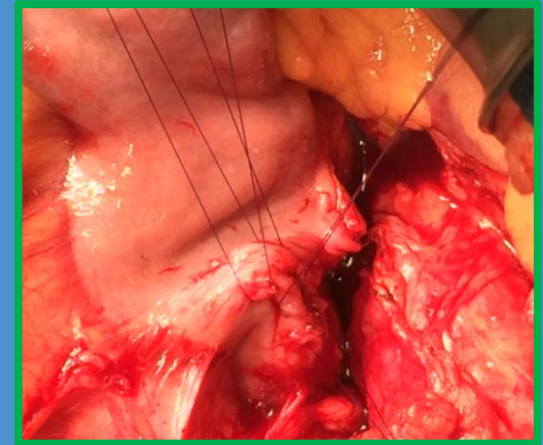


# Difficulties and Strategy

## Preference to transabdominal approach



Duodenal adherence to aortic neck  
During EVAR explantation

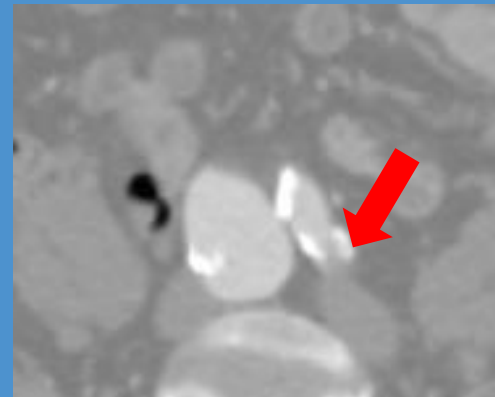


Duodenum direct suture  
for prosthetic enteric  
fistulae

# Identified difficulties and strategy



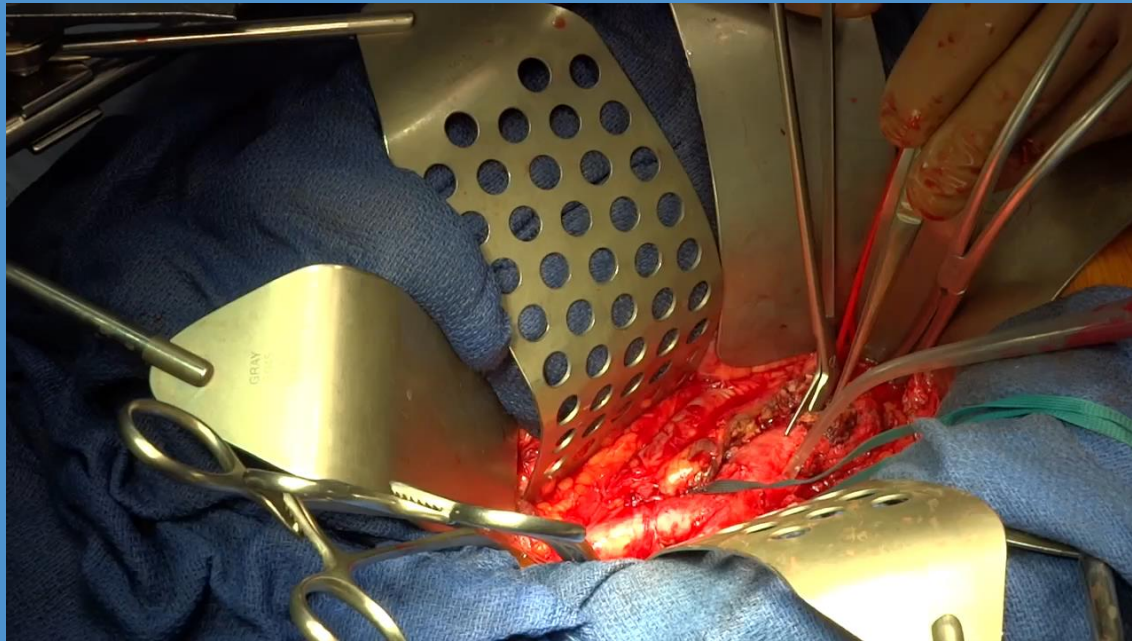
Gore C3 with right bell bottom  
Left iliac calcification  
Potential Aorto-bifemoral  
bypass



# Explant of a Bridge EVAR

- Bridge EVAR : temporary placement of EVAR to rescue:
  - ◆ Rupture of proximal pseudoaneurysms following aortic graft surgery
  - ◆ Aorto-enteric fistulae in native aortic infections

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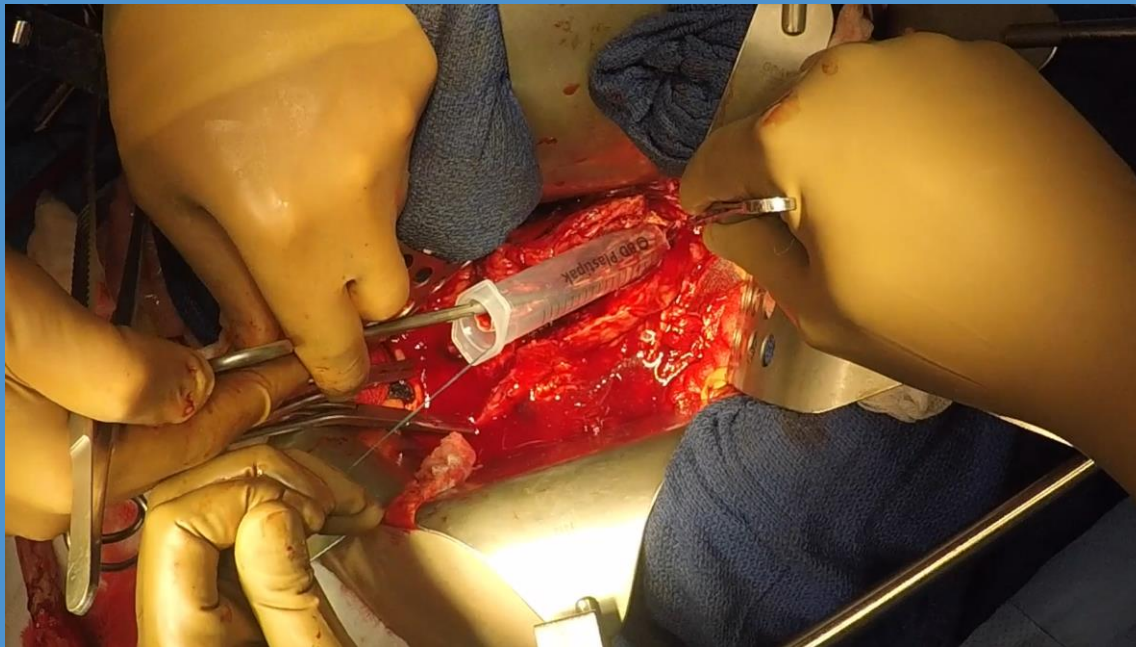


- Bridge for aorto-enteric fistula (Q fever aortitis) treated with Gore C3
- No difficulties in extraction at day 7
- No risk of iliac damage
- Tubed pericardium

Median laparotomy  
Supra renal aortic clamping

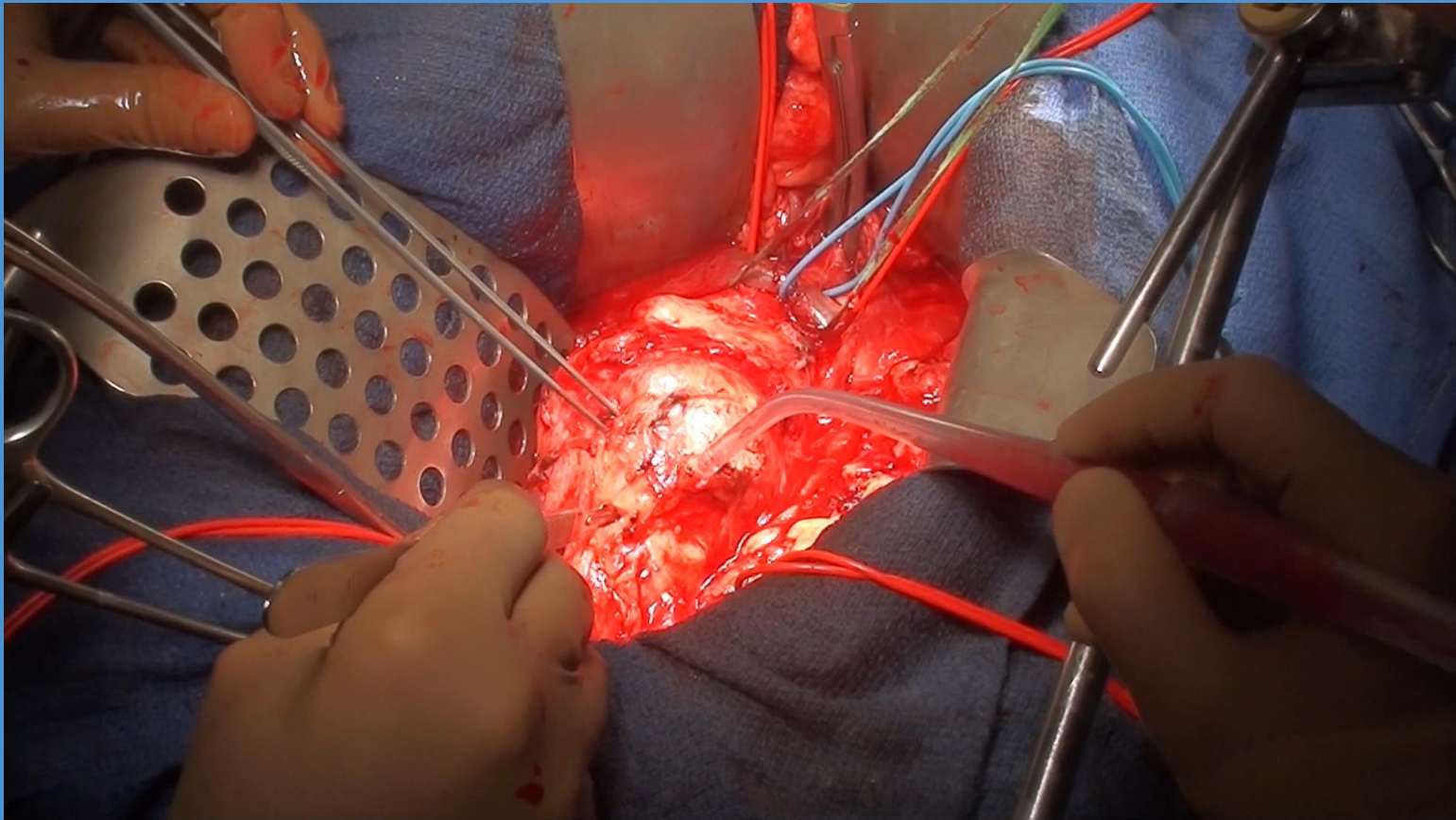


# COOK EVAR extraction through trans-abdominal incision



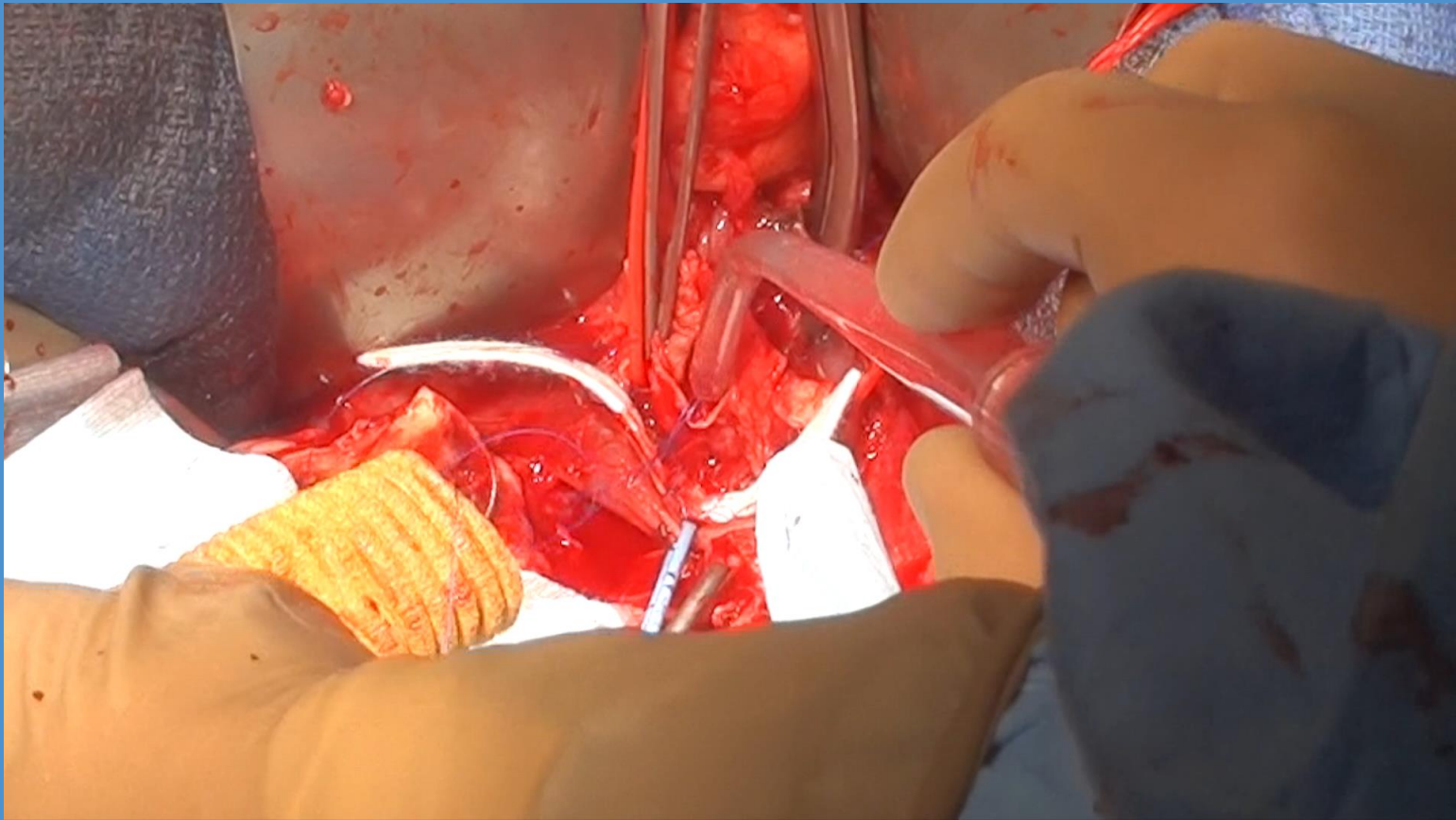
Cook suprarenal fixation  
Clamp planning : supraceliac

# Medtronic EVAR extraction through trans-abdominal incision





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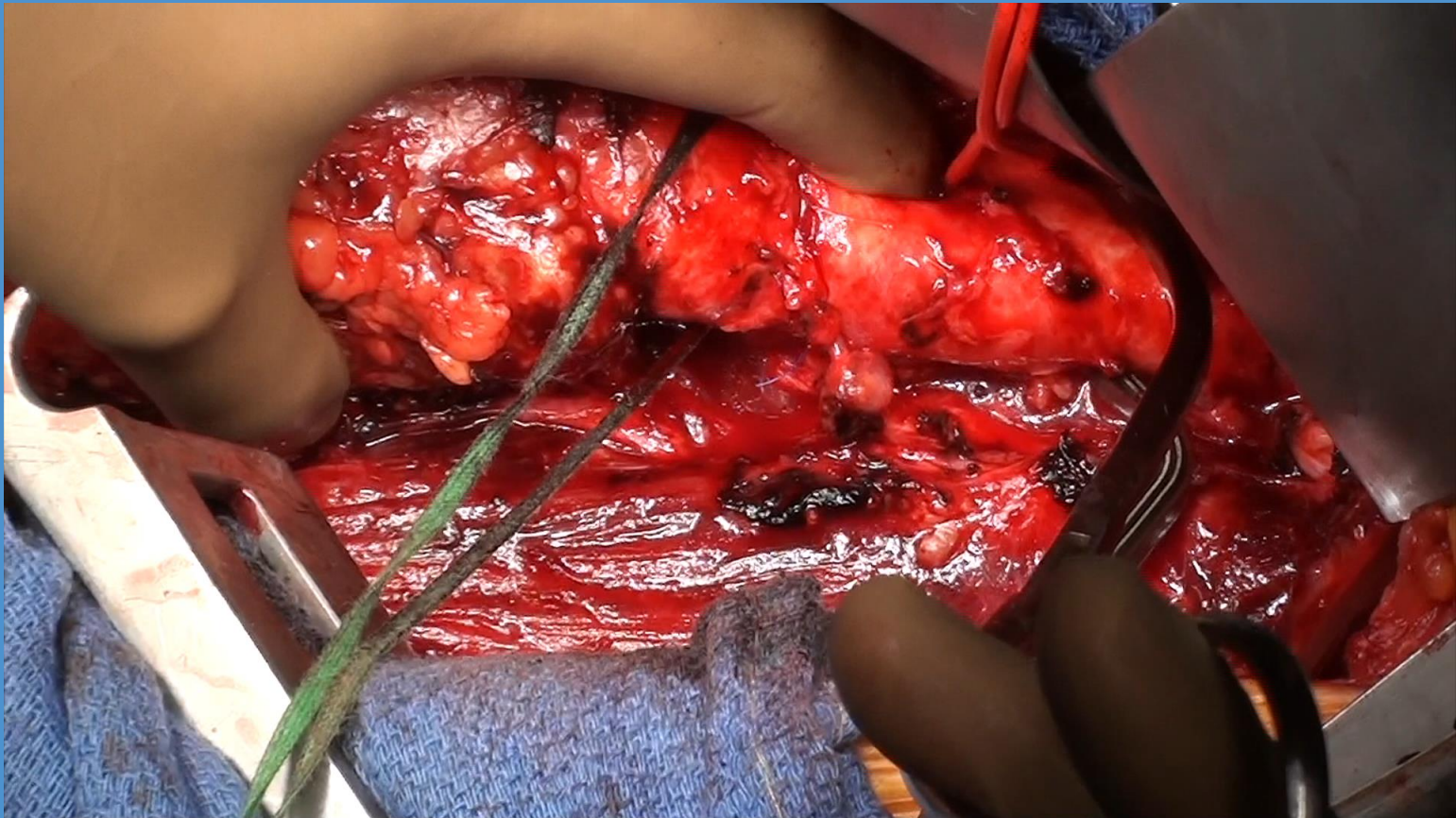


# Which approach?

- Retroperitoneal (Thoraco-abdominal)
  - ◆ No Need for bowel repair or limited to 4<sup>th</sup> portion of duodenum (direct suture)
  - ◆ Easy right iliac limb extraction
  - ◆ **Perfect for Difficult aortic proximal fixation**
    - ◆ **SupraRenal stent in front of or above SMA**
    - ◆ **FEVAR, Chimney extraction or post ostial diseased (left++) renal arteries**



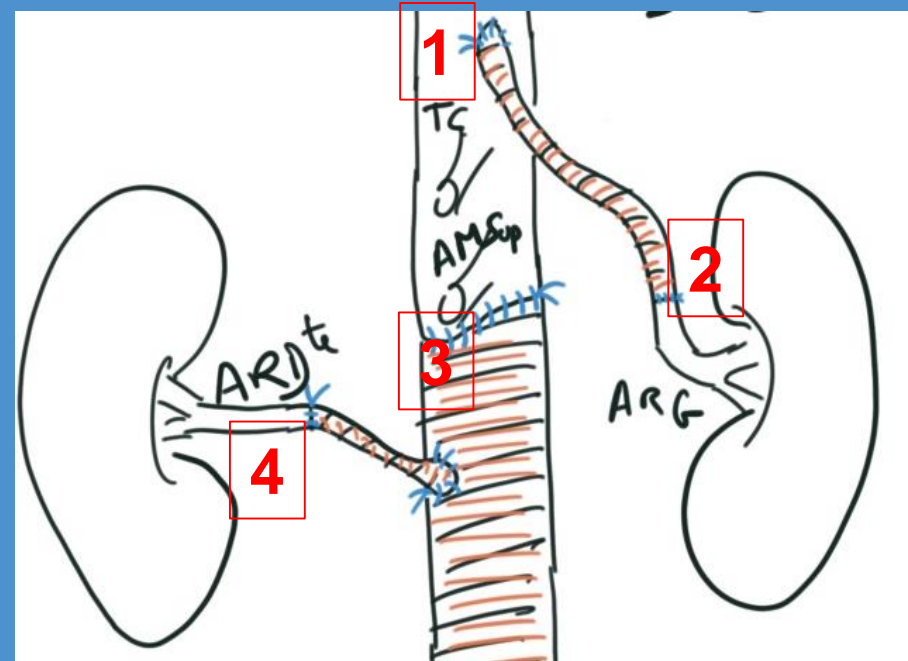
# Cook EVAR extraction through 9<sup>th</sup> rib thoraco-abdominal incision



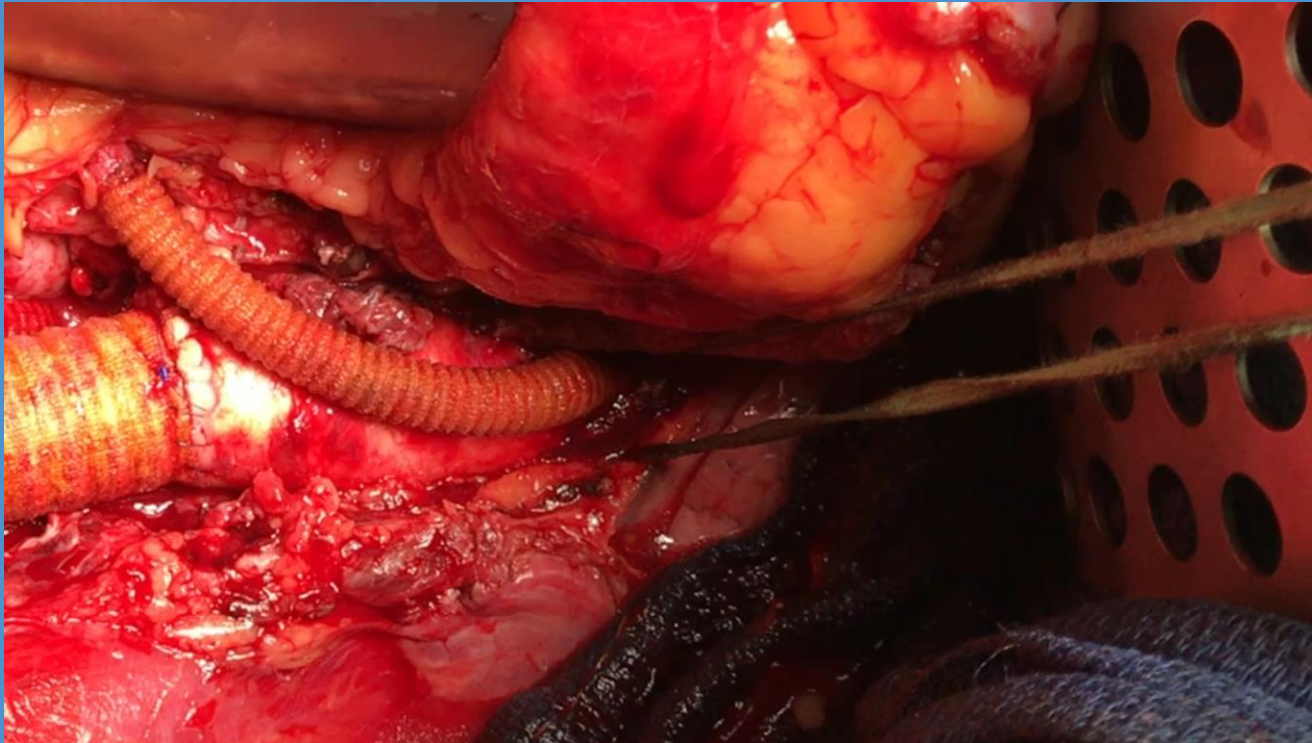


# ChimneyEVAR extraction through 9<sup>th</sup> rib thoraco-abdominal incision

- 1- Thoracic cross clamp (10 min) to suture laterally 8 mm dacron
- 2- Left Renal Art cross clamp (10 min) to connect distally the 8 mm graft
- 3- Supra SMA cross clamp (20 min) to suture aortic graft with presutured 8 mm dacron
- 4- Distal Right Renal Art sutured to 8 mm dacron (cold ischemia 50 minutes) then Cross clamp of aortic graft below right renal graft origin



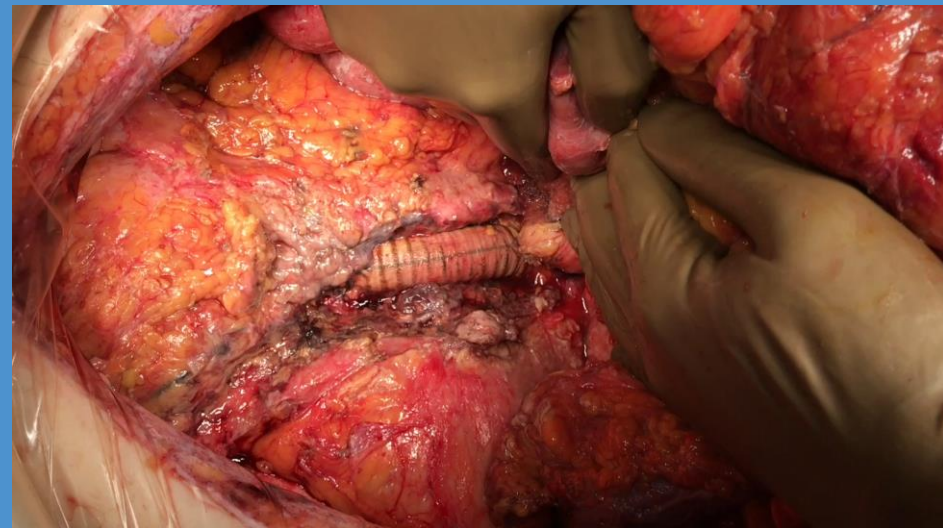
# ChimneyEVAR extraction through 9<sup>th</sup> rib thoraco-abdominal incision



# How to isolate (recover) the new graft?



The Omentoplasty



And when great omentum is missing...Gerota plasty



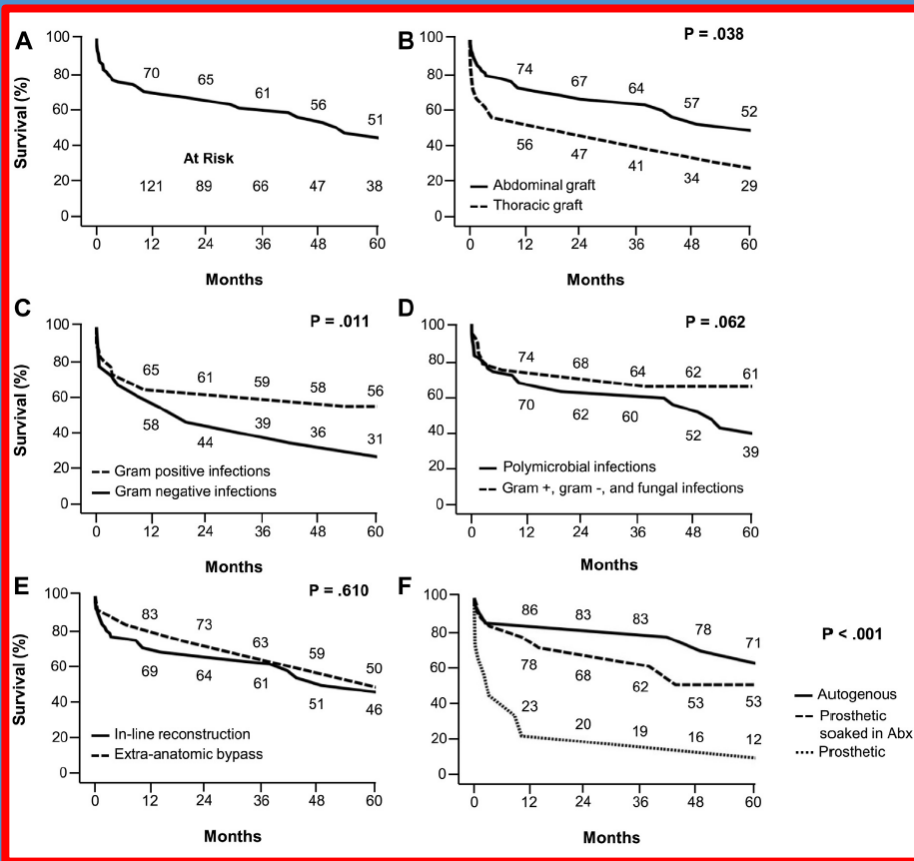
# Sometimes delay closure to perform 2<sup>nd</sup> look at day 2 or 3

- Delay the abdominal closure
  - ◆ Visceral oedema due to massive fluid administration and/or ischemia reperfusion
  - ◆ Doubt in bowel ischemia
  - ◆ Higher risk of bleeding :
    - ◆ Acidosis
    - ◆ Hypothermia



VAC closure

# Outcomes following EVAR extraction

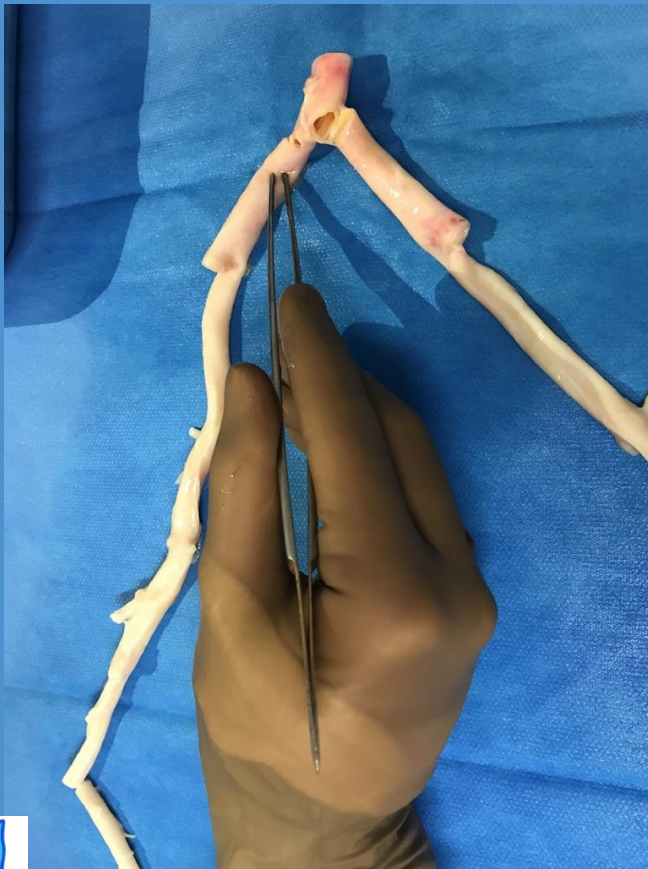


TEVAR are worse than EVAR

Polymicrobial and BGN are hard to treat

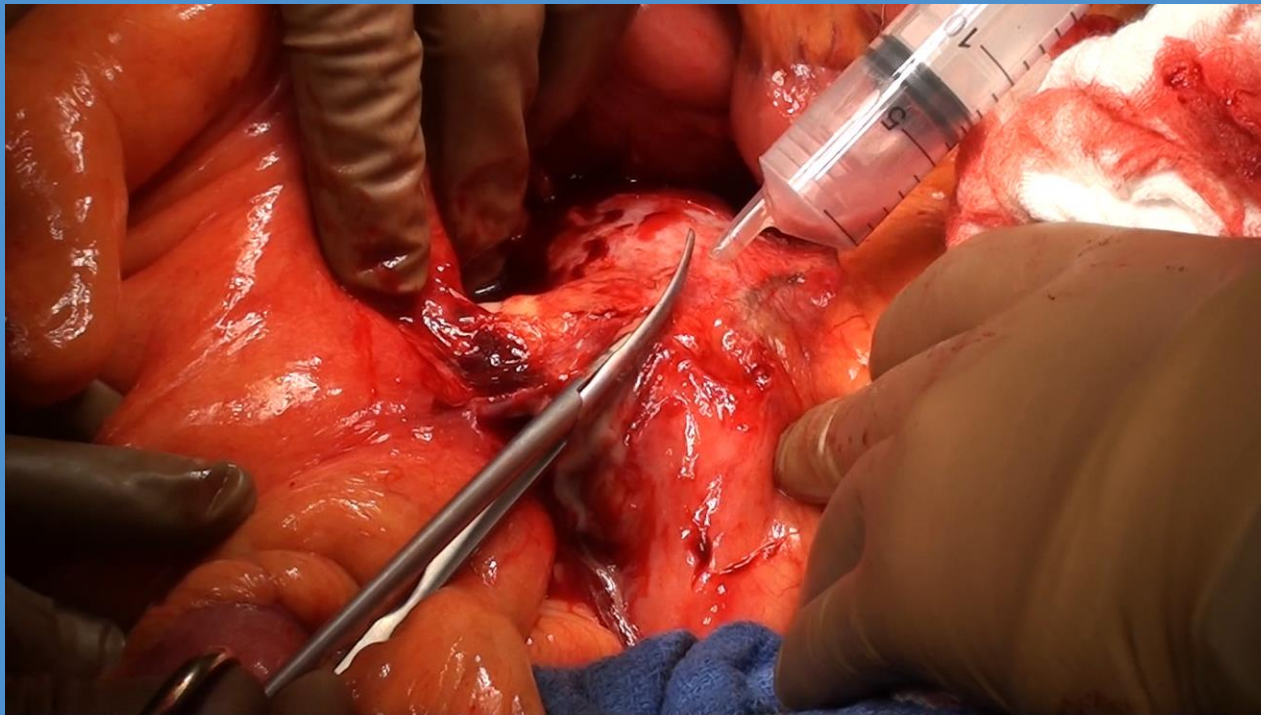
Autogenous and antimicrobial grafts do it better

# Cadaveric artery bad defrost





# UnBridge C3 with total biological conduit

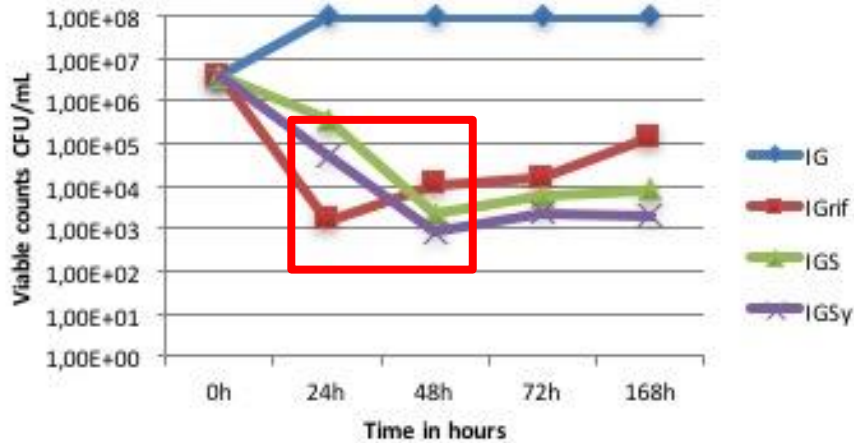


How to extend length and diameter by adding tubed pericardium to femoral veins?

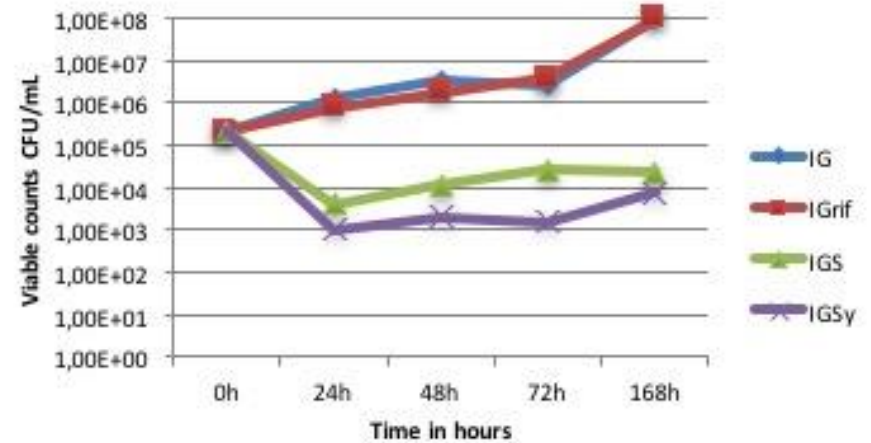
# Silver+Triclosan Vs Rifampicin soaking

## *Bactericidal activity up to 7 days*

### *E. coli* Clinical Strain



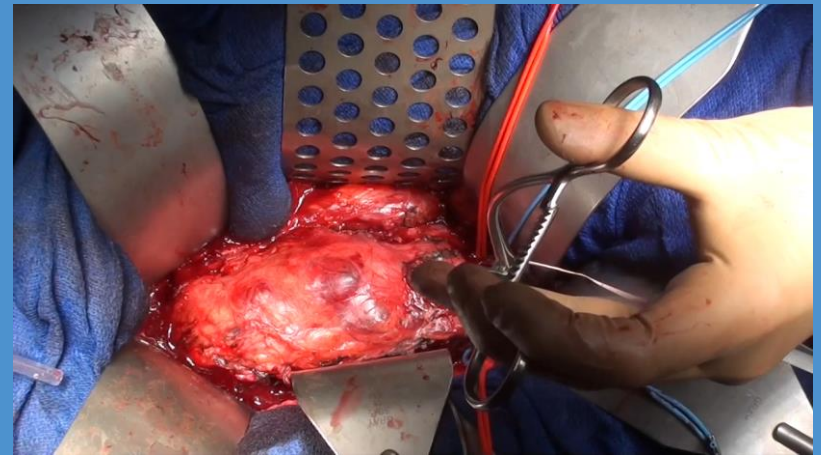
### *C. albicans* Clinical Strain



*X Berard et al* under review April 2018

# Conclusions

- **Planned strategy with dedicated approach**
- **Rapid Identification of microorganisms to target drug therapy**
  - ◆ Sonication of explanted material
  - ◆ PCR 16S
- **Multidisciplinary approach**
  - ◆ Adequate Imaging CT and PET-CT
  - ◆ Close surveillance
- **Find Solutions to reduce Reinfections**
  - ◆ Biological conduit
  - ◆ **Use of Synergy graft (silver + Triclosan) when prosthetic**
  - ◆ Adapted pre-operative antibiotic + anti-fungal drugs





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# Conservative treatment

