Aortic regurgitation remains off-limits for TAVI? CON

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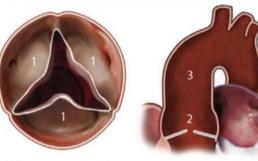
Challenges of TAVR in pure AR

Calcific Aortic Valve Stenosis

1- Nodular calcific deposits on aortic side

Aortic Valve Regurgitation

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



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 Franzone, JACC 2016

Permanent pacemaker

Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement in Pure Native Aortic Valve Regurgitation



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40 centres, 331 patients between 2007 and 2017

	Overall (N = 331)	Early-Generation Devices (n = 119)	New-Generation Devices (n = 212)
Device type			
Sapien XT	9 (2.7)	9 (7.6)	_
Sapien 3	41 (12.4)	_	41 (19.3)
CoreValve	110 (33.2)	110 (92.4)	_
Evolut R	50 (15.1)	-	50 (23.6)
JenaValve	64 (19.3)	-	64 (30.2)
Direct Flow	35 (10.6)	-	35 (16.5)
J-Valve	1 (0.3)	-	1 (0.5)
Engager	7 (2.1)	-	7 (3.3)
Portico	3 (0.9)	-	3 (1.4)
Acurate	5 (1.5)	-	5 (2.4)
Lotus	6 (1.8)	-	6 (2.8)

Early-Generation (n=119): CoreValve (92%) Sapien XT (8%)

New-Generation (n=212): JenaValve (30%) EvolutR (24%) Sapien 3 (19%) Direct Flow (17%) Lotus, Acurate, Portico

Baseline characterist	Early-Generation	New-Generation		
	Overall (N = 331)	Devices (n = 119)	Devices (n = 212)	p Value
Age, yrs	74.4 ± 12.2	74.2 ± 13.1	$\textbf{74.5} \pm \textbf{11.6}$	0.81
Female	159 (48.0)	51 (42.9)	108 (50.9)	0.16
NYHA functional class III or IV	293 (88.5)	107 (89.9)	186 (87.7)	0.55
STS score	$\textbf{6.7} \pm \textbf{6.7}$	$\textbf{7.6} \pm \textbf{6.7}$	$\textbf{6.2} \pm \textbf{6.7}$	0.08
Euro SCORE II	$\textbf{9.8} \pm \textbf{10.7}$	$\textbf{11.7} \pm \textbf{12.9}$	$\textbf{8.9} \pm \textbf{9.4}$	0.03
Creatinine, mg/dl	$\textbf{1.4} \pm \textbf{1.0}$	1.5 ± 1.1	$\textbf{1.4} \pm \textbf{1.0}$	0.48
Hypertension	255 (77.0)	88 (73.9)	167 (78.8)	0.32
Diabetes mellitus	43 (13.0)	22 (17.6)	22 (10.4)	0.06
Chronic pulmonary disease	98 (29.6)	28 (23.5)	70 (33.0)	0.07
Peripheral vascular disease	65 (19.6)	20 (16.8)	45 (21.2)	0.33
Prior cerebrovascular accident	33 (10.0)	8 (6.7)	25 (11.8)	0.14
Coronary artery disease	156 (47.1)	52 (43.7)	104 (49.1)	0.35
Prior myocardial infarction	72 (21.8)	23 (19.3)	49 (23.1)	0.42
Prior PCI	90 (27.2)	29 (24.4)	61 (28.8)	0.39
Prior CABG	49 (14.8)	20 (16.8)	29 (13.7)	0.44
Prior mitral valve surgery	29 (8.8)	7 (5.9)	22 (10.4)	0.17
Prior permanent pacemaker	51 (15.4)	22 (18.5)	29 (13.7)	0.25
Atrial fibrillation	115 (34.7)	36 (30.3)	79 (37.3)	0.20

Early-Generation: CoreValve, Sapien XT

New-Generation: JenaValve, EvolutR, Sapien 3, Direct Flow Lotus, Acurate, Portico

Procedural characteristics

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	Overall (N = 331)	Devices (n = 119)	Devices (n = 212)	p Value
	(1 = 551)	(11 – 113)	(11 – 212)	
General anesthesia	192 (58.0)	58 (48.7)	134 (63.2)	0.01
Local anesthesia	139 (42.0)	58 (51.3)	78 (36.8)	0.01
Access site				
Transfemoral access	233 (70.4)	104 (87.4)	129 (60.8)	<0.001
Non-transfemoral acces	s 98 (29.6)	15 (12.6)	83 (39.2)	< 0.001
Transapical access	80 (24.2)	4 (3.4)	76 (35.8)	< 0.001
Trans-subclavian acce	ess 10 (3.0)	4 (3.4)	6 (2.8)	0.79
Transaortic access	6 (1.8)	5 (4.2)	1 (0.5)	0.02
Transcarotid access	2 (0.6)	0 (0.0)	2 (1.7)	0.13
Procedure time, min	102.1 ± 65.6	$\textbf{89.8} \pm \textbf{50.2}$	$\textbf{109.1} \pm \textbf{72.1}$	0.047
Fluoroscopy time, min	$\textbf{22.2} \pm \textbf{17.8}$	$\textbf{29.1} \pm \textbf{23.2}$	$\textbf{18.4} \pm \textbf{12.5}$	< 0.001
Contrast agent, ml	$\textbf{162.2} \pm \textbf{88.7}$	$\textbf{180.1} \pm \textbf{95.2}$	$\textbf{150.9} \pm \textbf{82.7}$	0.01
Balloon pre-dilation	26 (7.9)	7 (5.9)	19 (9.0)	0.32
Balloon post-dilation	47 (14.2)	23 (19.3)	24 (11.3)	0.045

Early-Generation: CoreValve, Sapien XT

New-Generation: JenaValve, EvolutR, Sapien 3, Direct Flow Lotus, Acurate, Portico

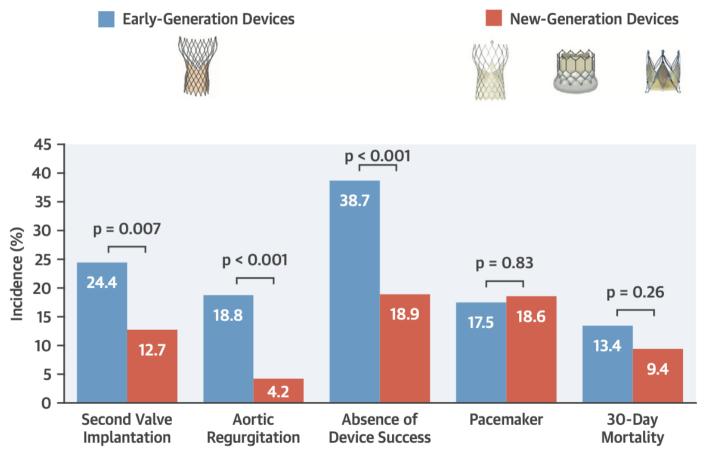
Outcomes at 30 days

Early-Generation: CoreValve, Sapien XT

		Early-Generation	New-Generation	1
	Overall	Devices	Devices	
	(N = 331)	(n = 119)	(n = 212)	p Value
All-cause mortality	36 (10.9)	16 (13.4)	20 (9.4)	0.26
Cardiovascular mortality	32 (9.7)	14 (11.8)	16 (8.5)	0.33
Stroke	14 (4.2)	2 (1.7)	12 (5.7)	0.08
Bleeding	39 (11.8)	18 (15.1)	21 (9.9)	0.16
Major	25 (7.6)	12 (10.1)	13 (6.1)	0.19
Life-threatening	14 (4.2)	6 (5.0)	8 (3.8)	0.58
Major vascular complication	14 (4.2)	7 (5.9)	7 (3.3)	0.26
Acute kidney injury (stage 2 or 3)	27 (8.2)	14 (11.8)	13 (6.1)	0.07

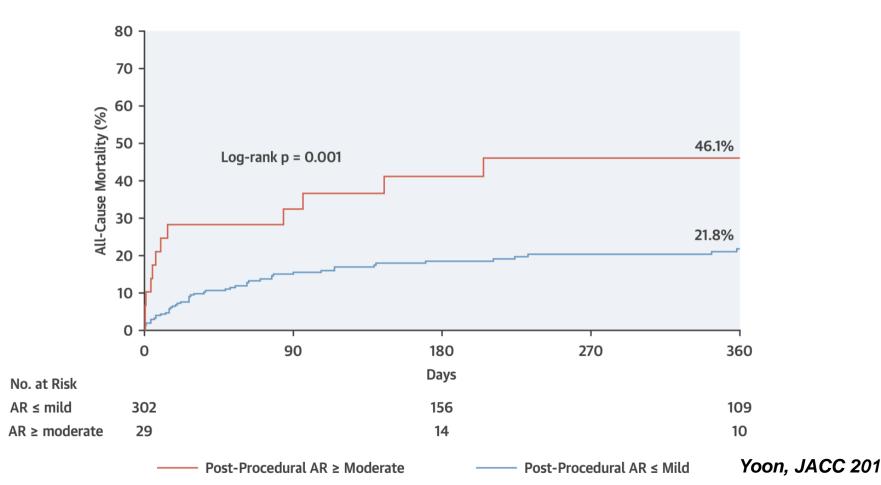
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Outcomes According to Devices

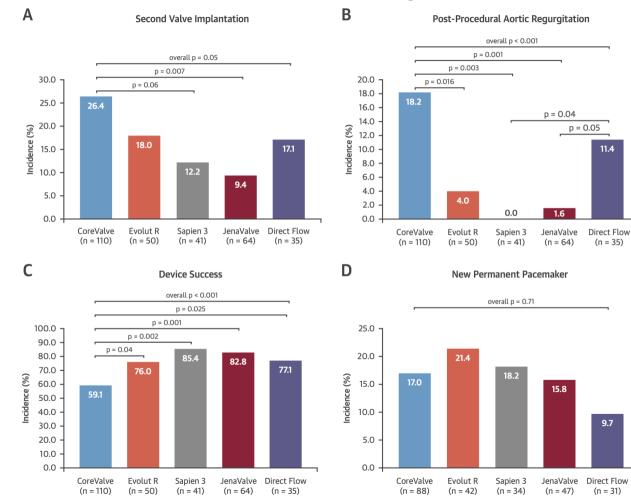


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Mortality and Post-Procedural Aortic Regurgitation



Outcomes according to device



Predictors of allcause mortality

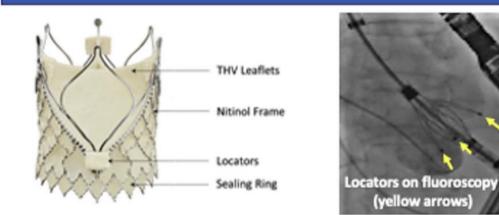
	Univariable M	odel	Multivariable Model		
	HR (95% CI)	p Value	HR (95% CI)	p Value	
Age, yrs	1.00 (0.98-1.02)	0.98			
Female	1.05 (0.65-1.72)	0.84			
NYHA functional class IV at baseline	1.33 (0.79-2.26)	0.29			
STS score	1.03 (1.01-1.06)	0.019	1.03 (1.00-1.06)	0.037	
Creatinine, mg/dl	1.00 (0.80-1.25)	0.99			
Peripheral vascular disease	1.42 (0.81-2.50)	0.23			
Chronic pulmonary disease	1.34 (0.80-2.25)	0.26			
Prior cerebrovascular accident	0.78 (0.31-1.94)	0.59			
Prior coronary artery bypass graft surgery	1.41 (0.84-2.37)	0.19			
LVEF ≤45%	1.89 (1.15-3.10)	0.012	1.78 (1.07-2.94)	0.026	
$\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Mitral regurgitation} \geq \mbox{moderate} \\ \mbox{at baseline} \end{array}$	1.99 (1.22-3.25)	0.006	2.11 (1.29-3.45)	0.003	
Pulmonary hypertension	1.41 (0.83-2.40)	0.20			
Transfemoral access	0.81 (0.48-1.34)	0.41			
New-generation devices	0.69 (0.42-1.12)	0.13			
Need for second valve implantation	1.69 (0.93-2.96)	0.087			
Post-procedural aortic regurgitation \geq moderate	2.72 (1.45-5.10)	0.002	2.85 (1.52-5.35)	0.001	
Late experience	0.83 (0.50-1.36)	0.46			

Developments in 2021

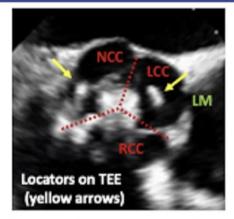
My personal experience

JenaValve Trilogy Valve orientation and commissural alignment (CA)

JenaValve Trilogy Locator Technology



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Three tissue covered locators are visible on fluoroscopy due to their radiopaque tantalum markers. The locators engage the native leaflets and assist with valve positioning, anchoring and sealing. Contrast injections confirm the correct position of the locators in each aortic cusp prior to valve deployment. TEE can be used to confirm locator is positioned mid-cusp.

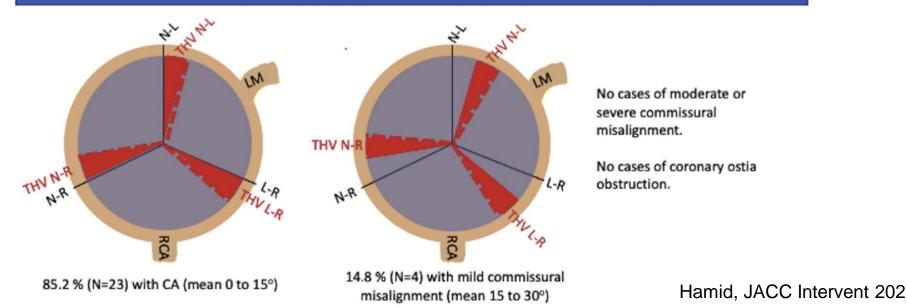
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JenaValve Trilogy

- 27 patients, 80.7±7.7 years (29.6% male), aortic regurgitation in 15 (56%) and aortic stenosis in 12 (44%)
- CA can reliably be achieved with TEE-guided transfemoral delivery of the JenaValve THV

Accuracy of Commissural Alignment with the JenaValve Trilogy

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JenaValve Trilogy

Assessment of Commissural Alignment

N-L

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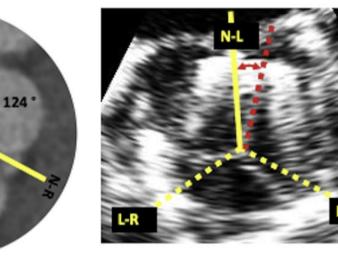
<u>Step 1:</u> The native N-L commissure was identified on 3D echo (yellow arrow).

<u>Step 2:</u> CCTA measurements were used to determine the location of the native commissures on 3D echo relative to the native N-L commissure (yellow dotted lines).

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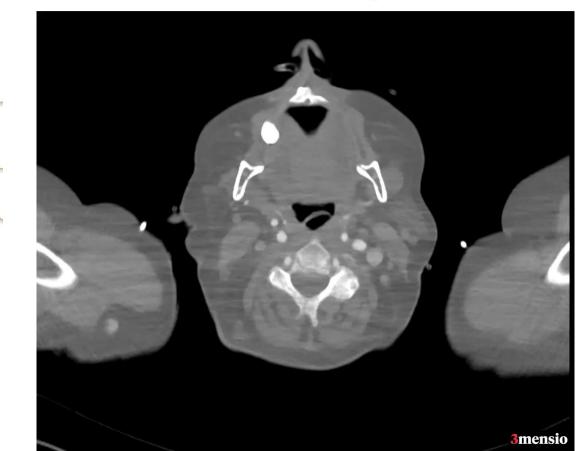
<u>Step 3:</u> The THV commissures (red dotted line) were identified on 3D echo and angles between THV commissures and native commissures were measured (red arrow).

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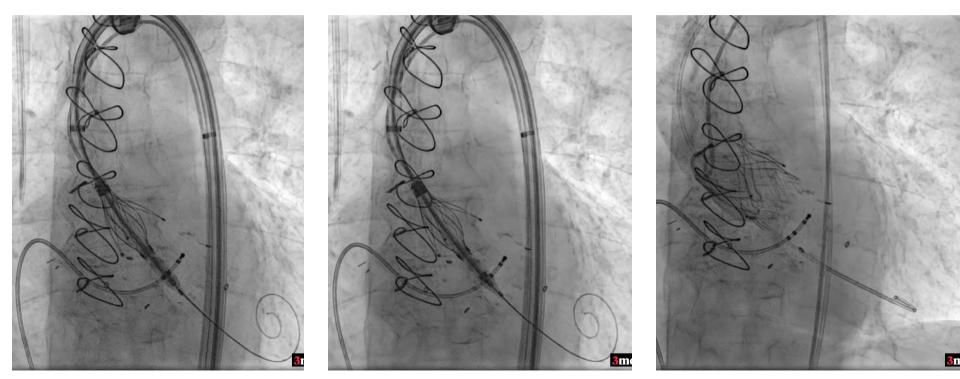
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JenaValve in pure AR



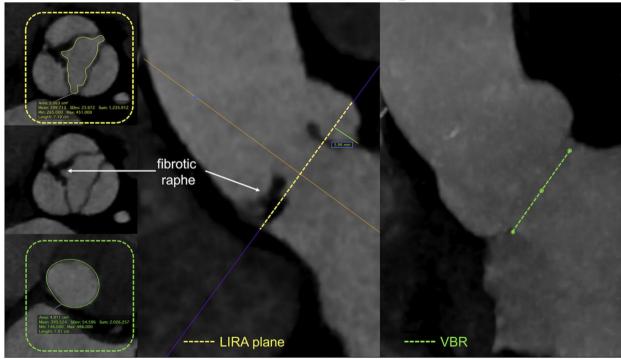
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JenaValve in pure AR



Vienna General Hospital

EvolutR in Bicuspid Valve With Pure Aortic Regurgitation Prosthesis Sizing According to the LIRA Method

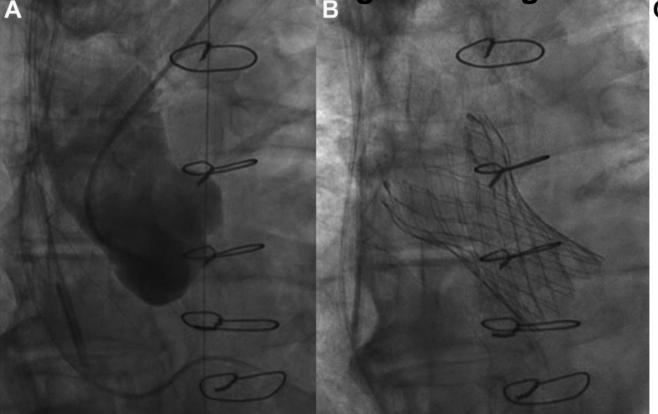


Annulus area: 491mm² Raphe area: 206mm²

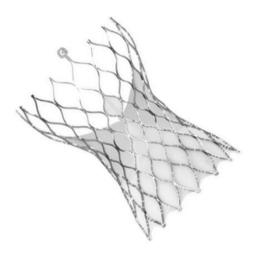
Level of implantation at the raphe (LIRA) plane, indicated by the yellow dashed line, with a right-noncoronary fibrotic raphe (left); virtual basal ring (VBR)

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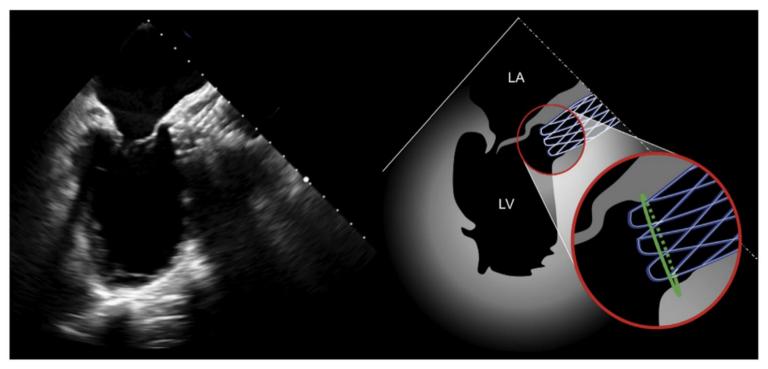


CoreValve Evolut R 34



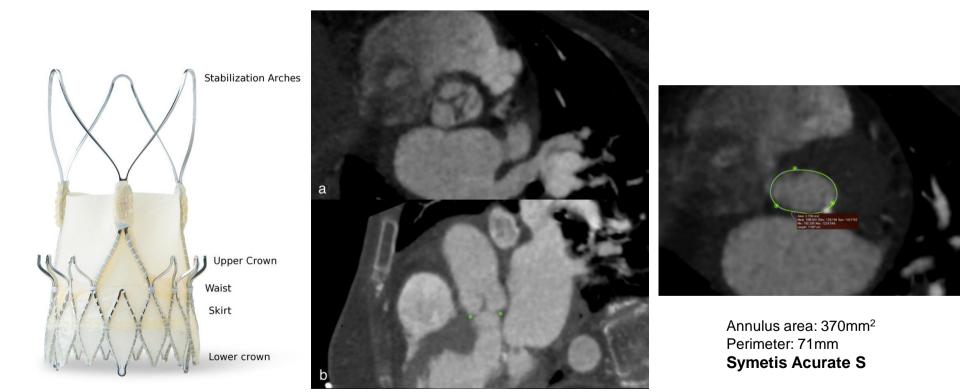
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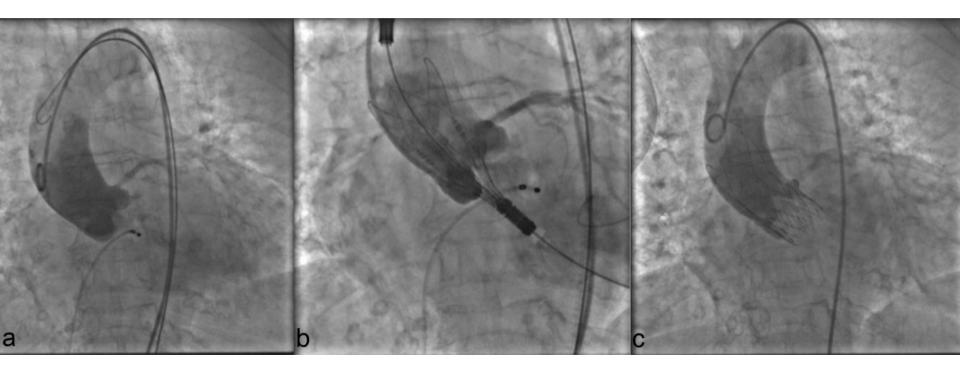
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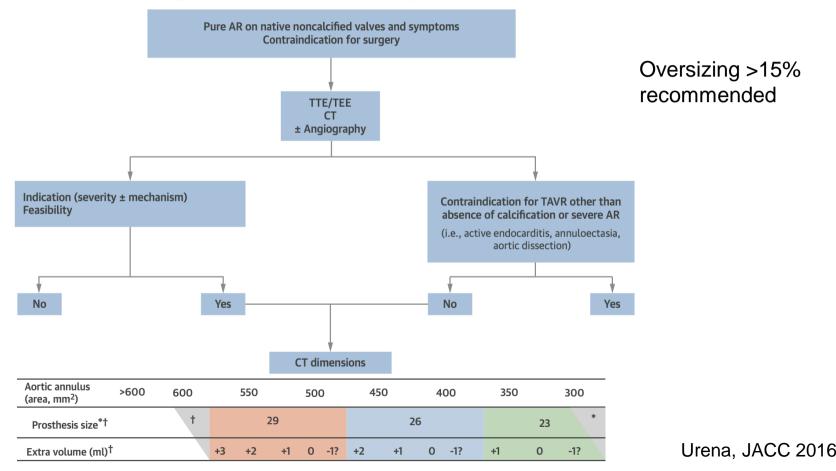
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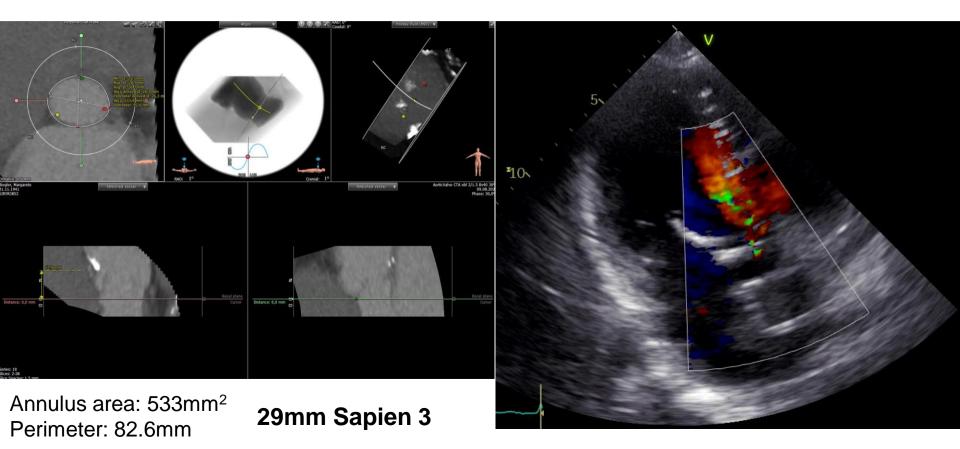


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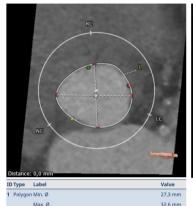
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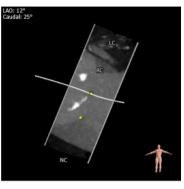
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Area

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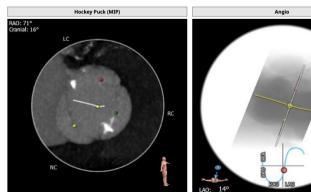
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Annulus area: 686mm² Perimeter: 93.8mm

Sapien 3 29mm+3ml

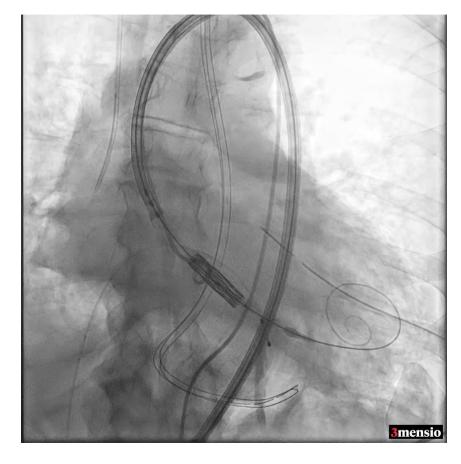


30,0 mm 29.6 mm

29.9 mm

685,9 mm²

93.8 mm



How to prepare for TAVR in pure AR

- Second valve ready
- Contrast during implantation
- Oversize by one size / at least 15%
- Evolut: Slower and deeper implant with rapid pacing
- After deployment.... wait 5-10 min (migration!)
- Ventricular migration: consider snaring or 2nd valve
- Pop-out: second valve with normal implant depth
- Consider cerebral protection

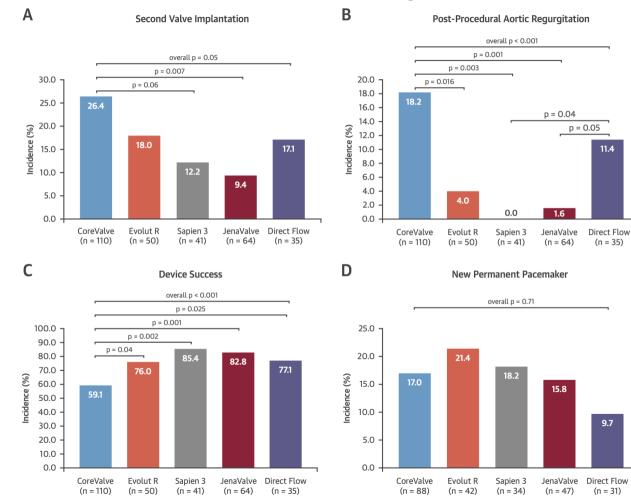
Proper preparation prevents poor performance

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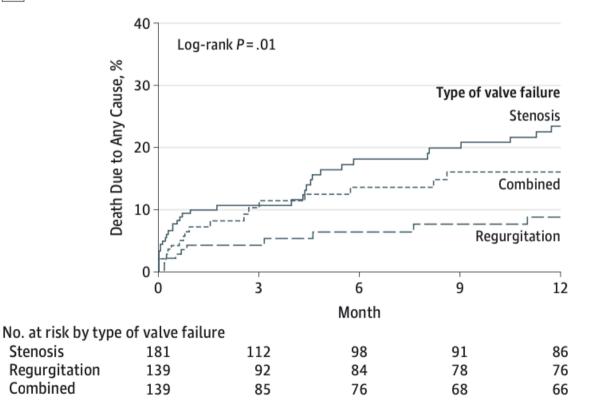
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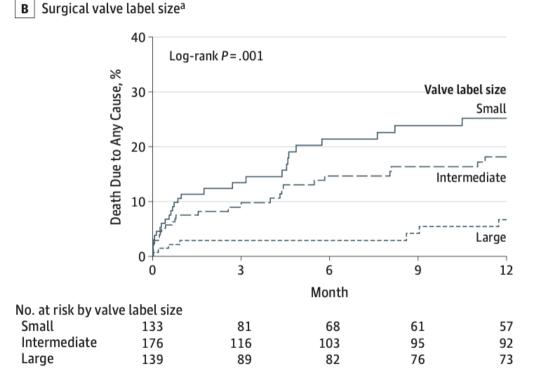
Outcomes according to device



- Multinational valve-in-valve registry 2007-2013, 55 centres
- 459 patients with degenerated bioprosthetic valves undergoing valve-invalve implantation
- Mean age 77.6 years; 56% men; median STS score 9.8%
- Surgical valves classified as small (<=21mm; 29.7%), intermediate (>21 and <25 mm; 39.3%), and large (>=25 mm; 31%)
- Modes of bioprosthesis failure were stenosis (40%), regurgitation(30%), and combined (30%)
- The stenosis group had a higher percentage of small valves (37% vs 20.9% and 26.6% in the regurgitation and combined groups

A Mechanism of surgical valve failure





^a Surgical valve sizes were as follows: small, label size ≤21 mm; intermediate,
>21 mm and <25 mm; and large, ≥25 mm. In 11 patients (2.4%), label size was unknown.

C Device used during valve-in-valve implantation

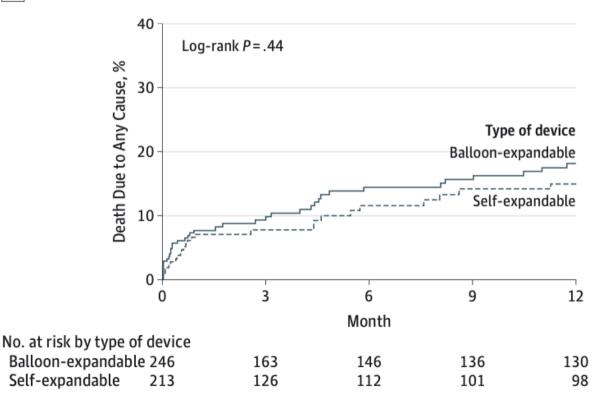


Figure 2. Results of Multivariable Analyses for Correlates for 1-Year Mortality After Valve-in-Valve Implantation

	No. of Events	Total	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)		P Value
Overall mortality					
Surgical valve label size					
≤21 mm	28	133			
>21 mm	34	315	2.04 (1.14-3.67)		.02
Type of valve failure					
Stenosis	34	181	2 07 (1 22 7 00)		
Regurgitation	12	139	3.07 (1.33-7.08)		.008
Transapical access					
Yes	34	171		_	
No	30	288	2.25 (1.26-4.02)		.006
STS score (per 1% increment) ^a	3		1.01 (1.00-1.01)		<.001
Early mortality, ≤30 d					
Surgical valve label size					
≤21 mm	15	133	2.25 (1.02.4.00)	_	0.45
>21 mm	17	315	2.25 (1.02-4.98)	-	.045
Type of valve failure					
Stenosis	18	181	2.07 (0.04.0.27)	_	.06
Regurgitation	6	139	2.97 (0.94-9.37)		
Transapical access					
Yes	19	171	2.25 (1.02. (.02)		
No	15	288	2.25 (1.03-4.93)		.04
STS score (per 1% increment) ^a	3		1.01 (1.00-1.01)		<.001
Late mortality, >30 d					
Surgical valve label size					
≤21 mm	13	133	1 (1 (0 (0) 0 0))	_	20
>21 mm	17	315	1.61 (0.68-3.80)		.28
Type of valve failure					
Stenosis	16	181	2 22 (1 00 11 21)	_	05
Regurgitation	6	139	3.33 (1.00-11.31)		.05
STS score (per 1% increment) ^a	1		1.01 (1.00-1.04)		.002
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					0
				Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	



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PORCINE PERICARDIAL
TISSUE LEAFLETS

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SELF EXPANDING

LOCATORS

- TISSUE COVERED
- RADIOPAQUE TANTALUM MARKER

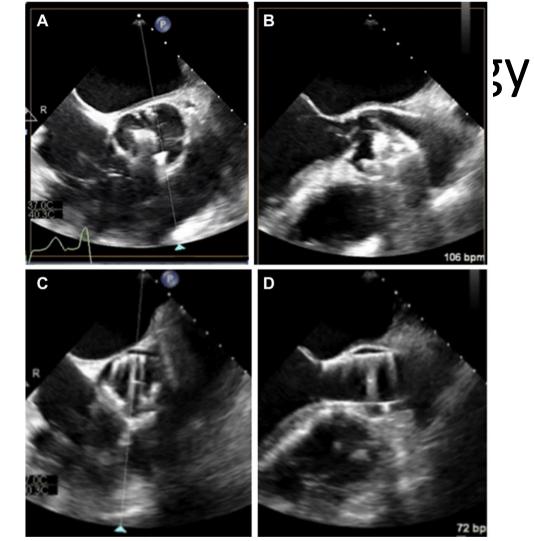


Table 1. Baseline Characteristics at the Time of Valve-in-Valve Procedure

		Mechanism of Surgical Valve Failure			Device Used			
Characteristics	All (n = 459)	Stenosis (n = 181)	Regurgitation (n = 139)	Combined (n = 139)	P Value	Self- Expandable (n = 213)	Balloon- Expandable (n = 246)	P Value
Age, mean (SD), y	77.6 (9.8)	78.8 (7.8)	77.1 (10.6)	76.6 (11.1)	.10	77.6 (10)	77.6 (9.7)	.95
Men, No. (%)	257 (56)	87 (48)	93 (66.9)	77 (55.4)	.002	113 (53.1)	144 (58.5)	.25
Height, mean (SD), cm	167.2 (9.8)	167.1 (9.9)	168.1 (9.7)	166.5 (9.8)	.20	166.9 (10)	167.4 (9.7)	.59
Weight, mean (SD), kg	73.9 (15.2)	77.6 (16.5)	72 (13.3)	70.8 (14.1)	<.001	73.7 (15)	74 (15.4)	.84
BMI, mean (SD) ^a	26.4 (4.8)	27.7 (4.8)	25.4 (3.9)	25.5 (4.2)	<.001	26.4 (4.6)	26.3 (4.4)	.78
BSA, mean (SD), m ²	1.85 (0.22)	1.89 (0.24)	1.83 (0.2)	1.8 (0.21)	.002	1.84 (0.22)	1.85 (0.23)	.76
LogEuroSCORE, median (IQR), % ^b	29 (19.1-42.3)	29.8 (20-39.9)	25.7 (16-41.9)	30.3 (22.3-44.7)	.18	29 (18.6-38.7)	29 (19.3-44.2)	.48
STS score, median (IQR), % ^b	10 (6.2-16.1)	9.9 (6.1-13.9)	9.9 (5.8-15.6)	10.8 (7.1-18.4)	.33	11 (6.2-17.3)	9.3 (6.1-14.1)	.13
Diabetes mellitus, No. (%)	125 (28.7)	69 (40.1)	28 (21.2)	28 (21.4)	.001	62 (31.1)	63 (26.5)	.29
Peripheral vascular disease, No. (%)	114 (26.1)	53 (30.6)	31 (23.5)	30 (22.9)	.22	37 (17.4)	77 (31.3)	<.001
Chronic renal failure, No. (%) ^c	224 (48.8)	80 (44.2)	71 (51.1)	72 (51.8)	.37	81 (38)	140 (56.9)	<.001
Previous stroke/TIA, No. (%)	51 (11.7)	23 (13.3)	17 (12.8)	12 (9.2)	.52	24 (12.2)	27 (11.3)	.76
>1 Previous SAVR, No. (%)	62 (13.5)	16 (8.8)	23 (16.5)	23 (16.5)	.06	27 (12.7)	35 (14.2)	.63
NYHA functional class, No. (%)								
II	35 (7.8)	14 (7.7)	10 (7.2)	11 (7.9)	.97	15 (7)	20 (8.1)	.66
III	283 (61.9)	130 (71.8)	78 (56.1)	75 (54)	.001	124 (58.2)	159 (64.6)	.16
IV	141 (30.3)	37 (26.2)	51 (36.7)	53 (38.1)	.001	74 (34.7)	67 (27.2)	.08
Left ventricular ejection fraction, mean (SD), %	50.3 (13.1)	51.7 (12.9)	49.0 (13.1)	49.7 (13.3)	.16	49.1 (13.4)	51.2 (12.8)	.08

Table 2. Surgical Valve Characteristics at the Time of Valve-in-Valve Procedure

	Mechanism of Surgical Valve Failure					Device Used			
Characteristics	All (n = 459)	Stenosis (n = 181)	Regurgitation (n = 139)	Combined (n = 139)	P Value	Self- Expandable (n = 213)	Balloon- Expandable (n = 246)	<i>P</i> Value	
Time since last SAVR, median (IQR), y ^a	9 (6-12)	8 (5-11)	10(7-14)	10 (7-14)	.04	9 (7-13)	9 (6-12)	.08	
Туре, No. (%)					<.001			<.001	
Stented	366 (79.7)	173 (95.6)	84 (60.4)	109 (78.4)		152 (71.4)	214 (87)		
Stentless	93 (20.3)	8 (4.4)	55 (29.6)	30 (21.6)		61 (28.6)	32 (13)		
Label size, No. (%)									
≤21 mm	133 (29)	67 (37)	29 (20.9)	37 (26.6)	.005	68 (31.9)	65 (26.4)	.19	
>21 mm and <25 mm	176 (38.3)	74 (40.9)	43 (30.9)	59 (42.4)	.09	83 (39)	93 (37.8)	.80	
≥25 mm	139 (30.3)	34 (18.8)	65 (46.8)	40 (28.8)	<.001	53 (24.9)	86 (35)	.02	
Unknown	11 (2.4)	6 (3.3)	2 (1.4)	3 (2.2)	.54	9 (4.2)	2 (0.8)	.02	
Internal diameter, No. (%)									
<20 mm	126 (27.5)	53 (29.3)	32 (23)	41 (41.7)	.37	66 (31)	60 (24.4)	.11	
≥20 mm and <23 mm	230 (50.1)	102 (56.4)	64 (34.5)	64 (46)	.10	100 (46.5)	130 (52.8)	.21	
≥23 mm	103 (22.4)	26 (14.4)	43 (30.9)	34 (24.5)	.002	46 (21.6)	57 (23.2)	.69	
AV area, mean (SD), cm ²	0.95 (0.48)	0.69 (0.21)	1.48 (0.6)	0.91 (0.31)	<.001	0.99 (0.49)	0.91 (0.46)	.04	
AV index, mean (SD), cm ² /m ^{2b}	0.51 (0.28)	0.38(0.13)	0.83 (0.37)	0.51(0.19)	<.001	0.55 (0.31)	0.49 (0.25)	.05	
AV maximum gradient, mean (SD), mm Hg	60.8 (27.4)	75.2 (23.1)	34.3 (17.7)	64.6 (22.8)	<.001	59.7 (27.2)	61.8 (27.6)	.44	
AV gradient, mean (SD), mm Hg	36.2 (18.4)	46.4 (16.1)	18.0 (10.1)	37.6 (14.9)	<.001	35 (18.5)	37.3 (18.3)	.21	
AV regurgitation of at least moderate degree, No. (%) ^c	296 (64.5)	22 (12.2)	139 (100)	135 (97.1)	<.001	143 (67.1)	153 (63)	.27	

Table 3. Clinical Outcomes

		Mechanism of Surgical Valve Failure, No. (%)				Device Used, No. (%)		
Outcomes	All (n = 459)	Stenosis (n = 181)	Regurgitation (n = 139)	Combined (n = 139)	P Value	Self- Expandable (n = 213)	Balloon- Expandable (n = 246)	P Value
Duration of hospital stay, median (IQR), d	8 (5-12)	7 (5-11)	7 (5-12)	8 (6-13)	.21	7 (5-12)	8 (6-13)	.07
Thirty-day outcomes								
Death, No. (%)	35 (7.6)	19 (10.5)	6 (4.3)	10 (7.2)	.04	15 (7)	20 (8.1)	.66
Cardiovascular death, No. (%)	30 (6.5)	16 (8.8)	5 (3.6)	9 (6.5)	.06	12 (5.6)	18 (7.3)	.47
NYHA functional class, No. (%)								
1/11	313 (92.6)	126 (91.3)	100 (94.3)	87 (92.6)	.83	160 (93)	153 (93.3)	.94
III/IV	25 (7.4)	12 (8.7)	6 (5.7)	7 (7.4)	.83	12 (7)	13 (7.8)	.94
Major stroke, No. (%) ^a	8 (1.7)	1 (0.6)	3 (2.2)	4 (2.9)	.26	2 (0.9)	6 (2.4)	.22
Death or major stroke, No. (%)	42 (9.2)	19 (10.5)	9 (6.5)	14 (10.1)	.42	17 (8)	25 (10.2)	.22
Major vascular complication, No. (%) ^a	42 (9.2)	14 (7.7)	10 (7.2)	18 (12.9)	.11	16 (7.5)	26(10.6)	.26
Major/life-threatening bleeding, No. (%) ^a	37 (8.1)	20 (11)	5 (3.6)	12 (8.6)	.01	10 (4.7)	27 (11)	.01
Acute kidney injury type II/III, No. (%) ^a	34 (7.4)	16 (8.8)	10 (7.2)	8 (5.8)	.58	9 (4.2)	25 (10.2)	.02
Permanent pacemaker implantation, No. (%)	38 (8.3)	17 (9.4)	12 (8.6)	9 (6.5)	.63	26 (12.2)	12 (4.9)	.005
AV area, mean (SD), cm ²	1.47 (0.5)	1.37 (0.33)	1.56 (0.51)	1.56 (0.65)	.01	1.58 (0.41)	1.38 (0.54)	.001
AV index, mean (SD), cm ² /m ^{2b}	0.77 (0.25)	0.71 (0.15)	0.82 (0.23)	0.84 (0.35)	.004	0.83 (0.19)	0.74 (0.28)	.004
AV maximal gradient, mean (SD), mm Hg	28.3 (14.1)	32.2 (14.7)	22.4 (11.6)	29.1 (13.6)	<.001	26.2 (12.1)	30.3 (15.4)	.002
AV mean gradient, mean (SD), mm Hg	15.8 (8.9)	18.5 (9.8)	12 (6.7)	16.1 (8.3)	<.001	14.1 (7.3)	17.2 (9.7)	<.001
AV regurgitation of at least moderate degree, No. (%) ^c	25 (5.4)	5 (2.8)	13 (9.4)	7 (5)	.04	19 (8.9)	6 (2.4)	.002
Left ventricular ejection fraction, mean (SD), %	51.6 (11.5)	53.7 (9.9)	48.9 (11.6)	51.2 (12.9)	.002	51.2 (12.2)	51.7 (10.8)	.66
One-year outcomes								
Death, No. (%)	62 (16.8)	34 (23.4)	10 (8.8)	18 (16.1)	.01	25 (15)	37 (18.7)	.44
NYHA functional class, No. (%)								
1/11	163 (86.2)	62 (84.9)	46 (85.2)	55 (88.7)	.34	88 (81.6)	75 (82.4)	.89
III/IV	26 (13.8)	11 (15.1)	8 (14.8)	7 (11.3)	.34	10 (18.4)	16 (17.6)	.89
AV area, mean (SD), cm ²	1.38 (0.42)	1.28 (0.29)	1.51 (0.48)	1.36 (0.45)	.01	1.55 (0.41)	1.29 (0.39)	.006
AV maximal gradient, mean (SD), mm Hg	30 (14.7)	32.3 (14.9)	25.2 (15.4)	32.1 (12.5)	.005	25.3 (11.9)	33.3 (16)	<.001
AV mean gradient, mean (SD), mm Hg	16.9 (9.1)	18.3 (9.5)	13.8 (8.9)	18.4 (8)	.001	13.5 (7)	19.4 (9.6)	<.001

	Overall (N = 331)	Early-Generation Devices (n = 119)	New-Generation Devices (n = 212)	p Value
Procedural outcomes				
Procedure-related death	10 (3.0)	5 (4.2)	5 (2.4)	0.35
Conversion to conventional surgery	12 (3.6)	4 (3.4)	8 (3.8)	0.85
Coronary obstruction	4 (1.2)	0 (0.0)	4 (1.9)	0.30
Aortic root injury	5 (1.5)	2 (1.7)	3 (1.4)	>0.99
Need for second valve implantation	55 (16.6)	29 (24.4)	27 (12.7)	0.007
New permanent pacemaker*	51 (18.2)	17 (17.5)	34 (18.6)	0.83
Re-intervention	14 (4.2)	6 (5.0)	8 (3.8)	0.58
Echocardiographic findings at discha	rge			
Mean gradient, mm Hg	$\textbf{9.3} \pm \textbf{4.8}$	$\textbf{7.7} \pm \textbf{4.9}$	$\textbf{10.2} \pm \textbf{4.5}$	<0.001
LVEF, %	$\textbf{44.0} \pm \textbf{14.3}$	$\textbf{43.5} \pm \textbf{14.2}$	$\textbf{44.3} \pm \textbf{14.5}$	0.68
Aortic regurgitation \geq moderate	29 (9.6)	21 (18.8)	8 (4.2)	<0.001
Device success	246 (74.3)	73 (61.3)	172 (81.1)	<0.001

Early-Generation: CoreValve, Sapien XT

New-Generation: JenaValve, EvolutR, Sapien 3, Direct Flow Lotus, Acurate, Portico

Challenges of TAVR in pure AR

Anatomic

- Large aortic sinuses and annuli
- Concomitant aortic dilatation
- Insufficient anchoring due to lack of calcium

Procedural

- Lack of fluroscopic visualization of the valve
- Risk of THV migration / embolization
- Residual aortic regurgitation
- Permanent pacemaker rates
- Stroke rates

