

#### Severe Aortic Stenosis and TAVR: An Update for 2016

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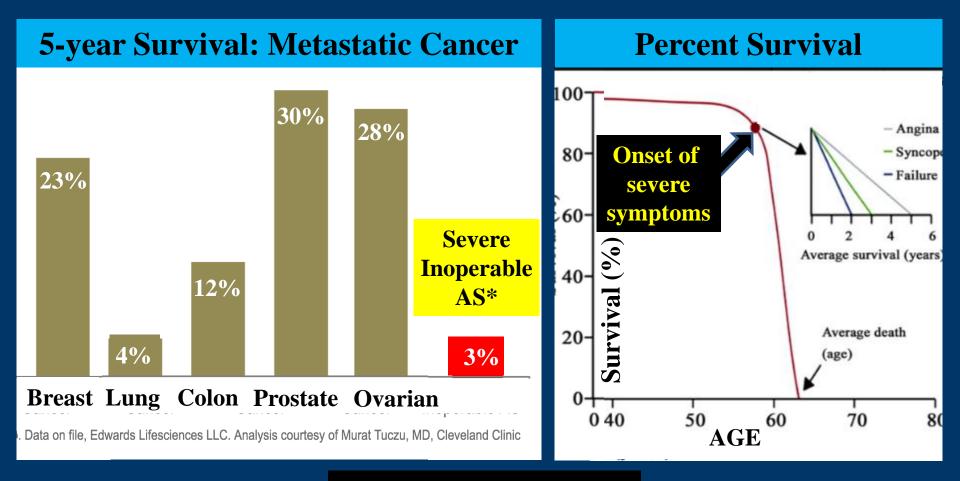
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#### Medtronic - speaker Edwards -TAVR education



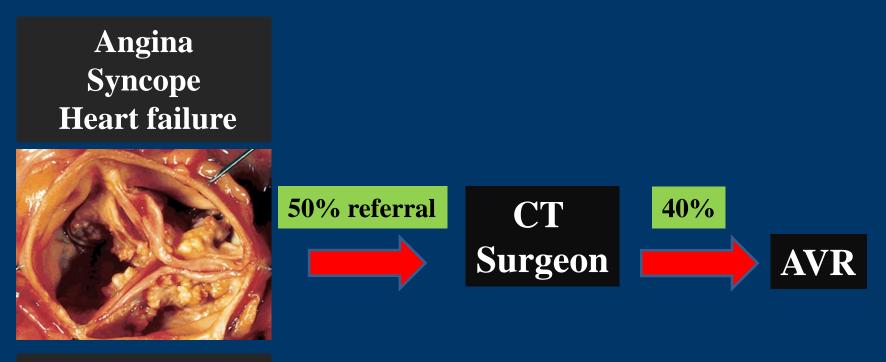
### **Symptomatic Severe Aortic Stenosis**



is a lethal disease

**Braunwald.** Circulation 1968.

#### Severe AS in the old days ...



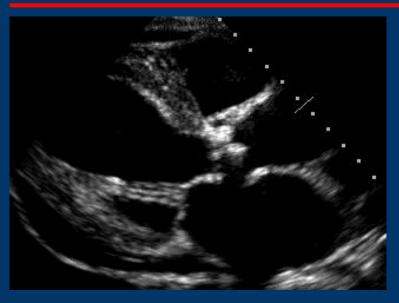
Peak vel >4 m/s Grad >40 mmHg Area <1.0 cm<sup>2</sup>

**Classic symptoms are late manifestations. Initial sx: DOE or** ↓**exercise tolerance.** 



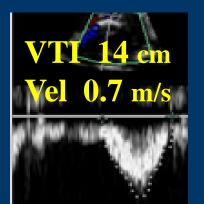
Heart Disease and Stroke Statistics – 2015 Update

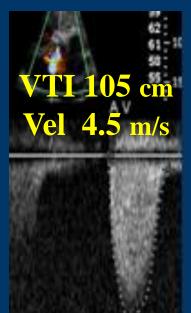
#### **Unusual Case - Easy Decision**





# **80** year old farmer with **HF**, syncope and angina.





Mean gradient - 43 mmHg AV Area - 0.4 cm<sup>2</sup>

## **Management of Aortic Stenosis**

Asymptomatic pts with AS have outcomes similar to agematched adults. But progression with symptoms is common.

AVR is based largely on the presence or absence of *symptoms* attributed to severe AS and not on absolute valve area or gradient. (*EF 30% HF I or III*)

Symptoms may be subtle like reduced exercise tolerance or dyspnea on exertion. Pts may reduce activity to below symptoms threshold. Risk of sudden death is high once any symptoms develop – even mild ones.

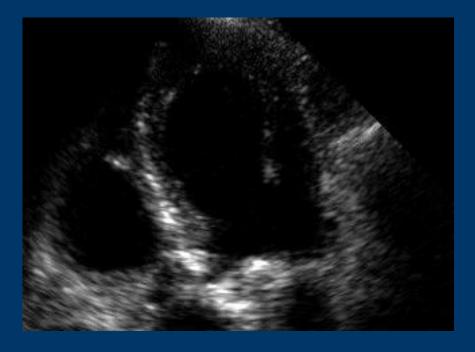


Exercise testing in asymptomatic severe AS is safe and underutilized. May help to unmask symptoms!

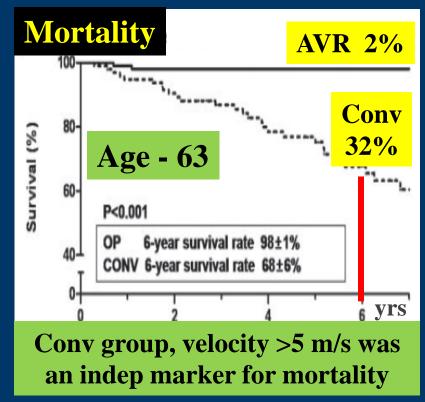
Bonow. ACC/AHA Valvular Heart Disease Guidelines. JACC 2008:52:e1-142

#### Walks 2 miles/day - no symptoms!

75 yr old wants a 2<sup>nd</sup> opinion



Peak velocity – 5.5 m/s Mean gradient - 75 mmHg AV Area - 0.5 cm<sup>2</sup> 197 pts, No sx, valve <0.75 cm<sup>2</sup> plus vel >4.5 m/s or >50mmHg (Excluded pts with CAD, EF <50%, significant AI or MR, age >85)



Kang. Circulation 2010;121:1502-9

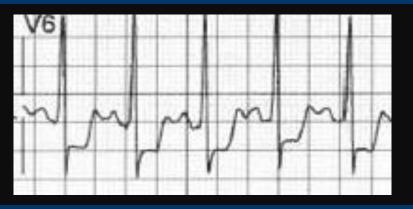
#### Is it Aortic Stenosis or Age?

75 male – followed in clinic for severe AS. He may be "slowing some" although attributes it to his age. Denies CP, dyspnea, or syncope. Continues to work out twice a week for at >1 hour on each occasion – jogging, rapid walking, cycles with a high tension and lifts weights. No symptoms.

Treadmill - 7 METS. Stops due to leg weakness, fatigue.

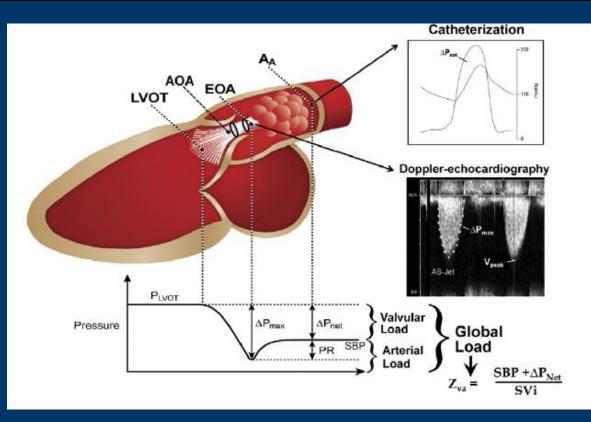
#### **BP** at rest - 167/62. **BP** with exercise - 130/60.





#### AS: Complex "systemic" disease

# Hypertension which adds to total afterload. CAD which can impact ventricular function.





Pibarot and Dumesnil (review). JACC 2012;60:169-80

### In 2016, it looks like this ...

Age > 80+ Tired / fatigue Heart failure (?) COPD / Renal

#### High gradient AS

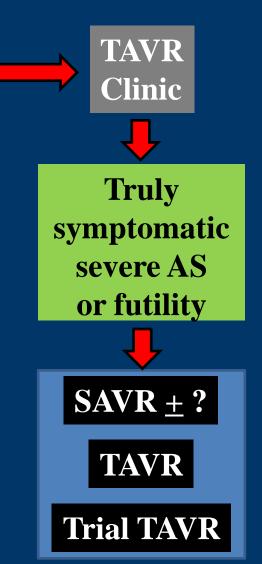
Low flow, low gradient

#### **Paradoxical low-flow**

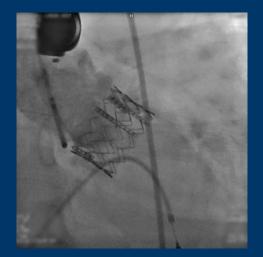
- Treadmill stress (IIa)
- Dobutamine echo (IIa) if EF <50%, AVA <1.0, and <4m/s or <40 mmHg



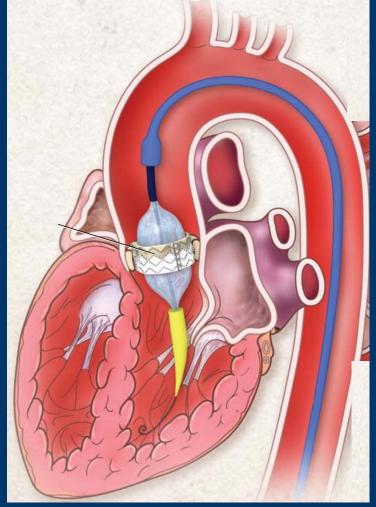




#### **Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement**





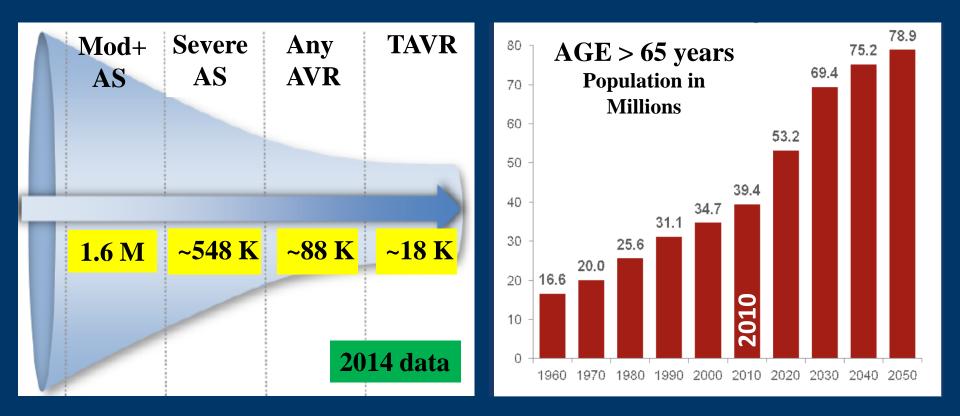








#### **Demographic Trends**



Nearly 3% of subjects >75 years have critical aortic stenosis.

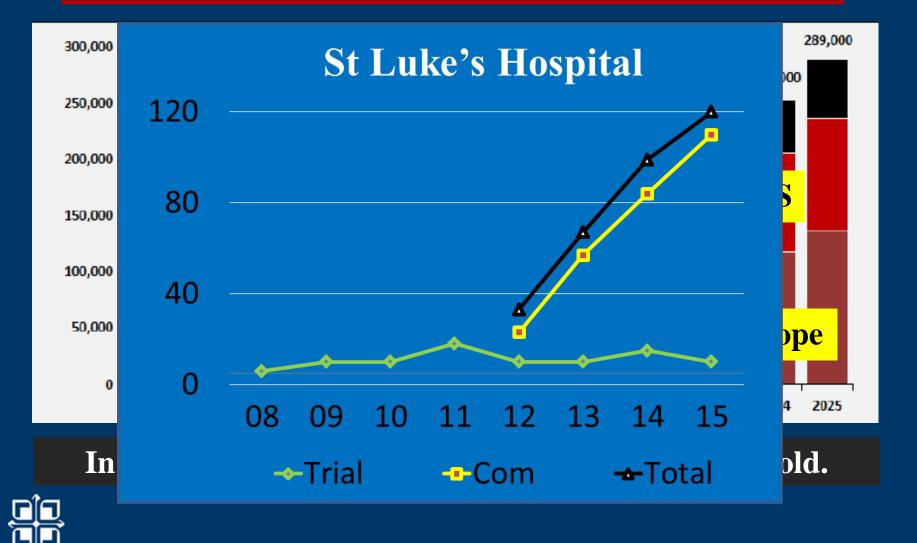


Am Heart J 2012;163:477-85.

**US Census Bureau 2010** 

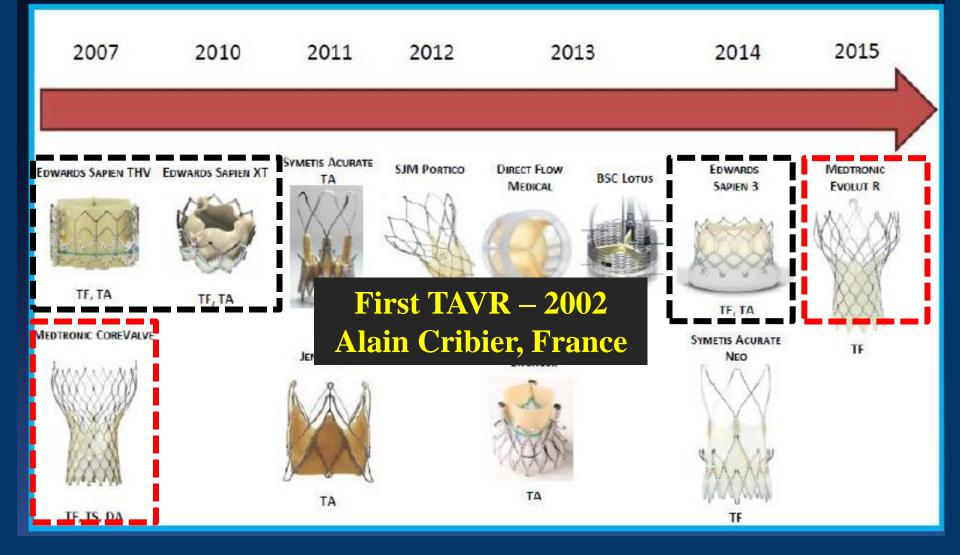
TVT 2015: Freed 2010; Bach. Unoperated pts with severe AS. J Heart Valve Dis May 2011

### **Estimated Global TAVR Growth**

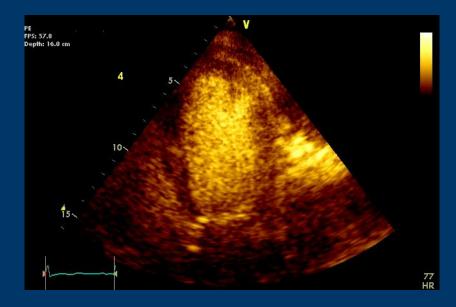


Lancet 2015;385:2439-41. TVT 2015 – Source: Credit Suisse TAVI Comment 1/8/15

## **CE-Approved TAVR Systems**



#### Low-Flow/Low-Gradient AS (\EF)



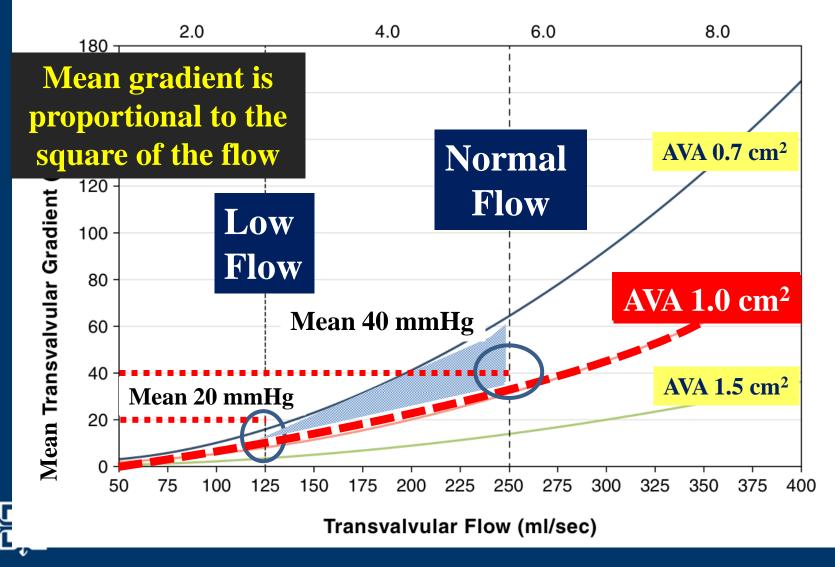
LVOT	Ao V
<b>17 cm</b>	62 cm
<b>0.8 m/s</b>	<b>3.0 m/s</b>
	23 mmHg



AV Area - 0.9 cm<sup>2</sup>

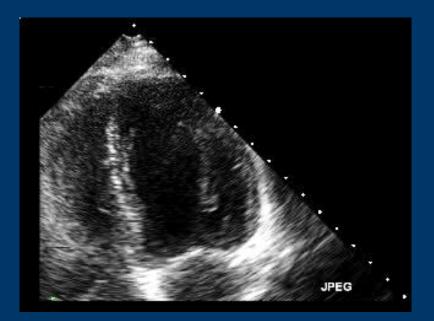
**April 2012** 

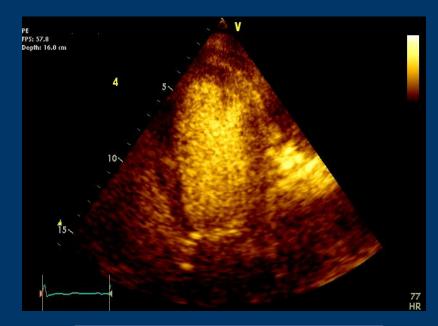
#### Cardiac Output (I/min, assumes HR 75 bpm, SEP 300 ms)



JACCi 2013:6:184-95

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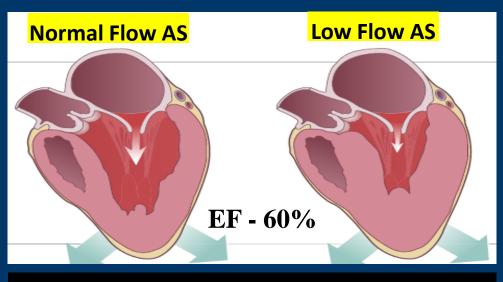


	LVOT	Ao V		LVOT	Ao V
	28 cm	<b>98 cm</b>		<b>17 cm</b>	62 cm
	<b>1.0 m/s</b>	<b>3.8 m/s</b>		<b>0.8 m/s</b>	<b>3.0 m/s</b>
_^_		38 mmHg			23 mmHg
	Sept 2011	AV A	cm <sup>2</sup>	April 2012	

### **Paradoxical low-flow severe AS**

Chronic exposure to high afterload may eventually lead to intrinsic impairment of myocardial function.

Myocardial function and stroke volume are reduced despite a normal LVEF.



Severe low-gradient AS

**JACC Img 2009;2:400-2** 

Pibarot and Dumesnil. JACC 2012;60:169-80

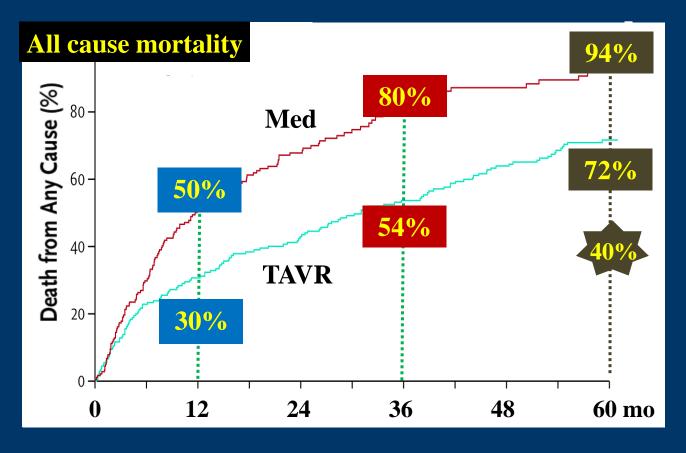
## **Predicting the Future**

	Low	Intermediate	High Risk	Inoperable				
STS PROM	<4% and	4 to 8% or	>8% or	major morbidity or death >50% at 1 year				
Frailty Index	Frailty Index None and		≥2 indices mod-severe					
Feed, bath, dress, transfer, toilet, urinary continence, walk independently								
Major organs compromised	None and	1 organ system or	$\leq$ 2 organ systems or	3 organ systems or				
Low EF, diastolic or RV dysfx, pulm HTN, CKD stage 3-5, FEV1 <50%, dementia, CVA, albumin <3.0, active malignancy, liver dz / cirrhosis.								
Anatomy	None	Possible	Possible	Severe				
Trach, porcelain	aorta, c	hest deformity,	grafts against	chest wall, radiation				

ACC/AHA Guidelines . Circulation. 2014;129.

#### **PARTNER IB - Inoperable**

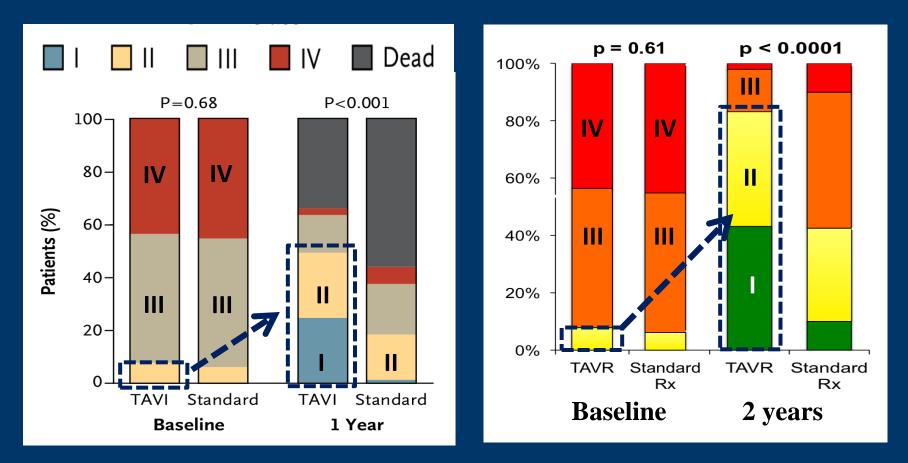
N - 358. Edwards 23mm or 26mm bioprosthetic valve Age 83, male 45%, HF III-IV 92%, AVA 0.6 cm2, EF 52%





Lancet 2015;385:2485-91 NEJM 2010;363:1597-1607

#### **PARTNER IB - HF Status**

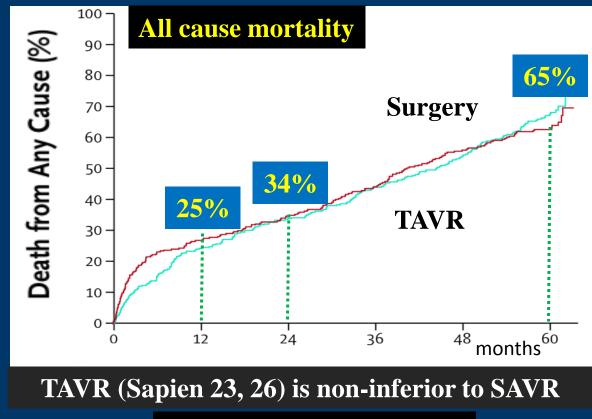




NEJM 2010;363:1597-1607 NEJM 2012;366:1696-1704

#### **PARTNER IA - High Risk**

N - 699. Randomized to TAVR (TF or TA) or SAVR Age 84, male 58%, HF III-IV 94%, EF 53%, Prior CABG 41%

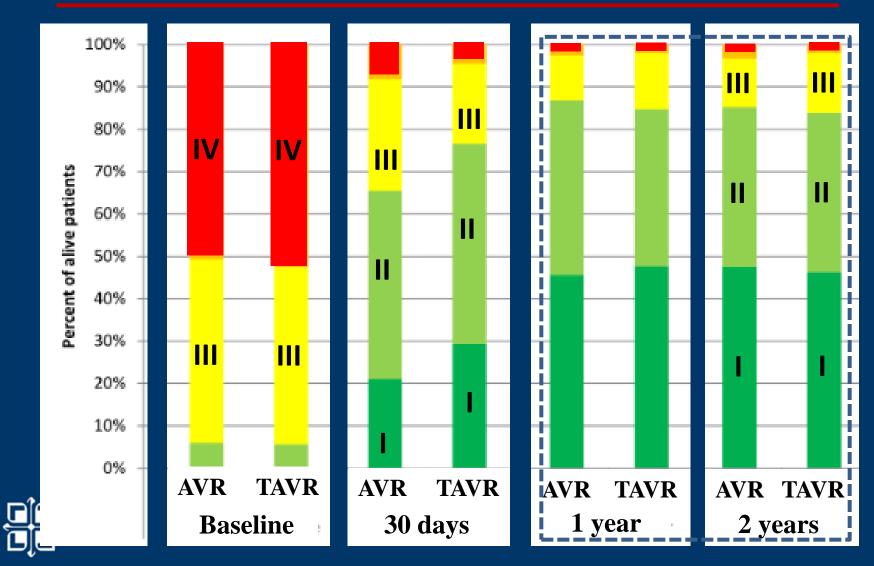


FDA approved - Sept 2012

NEJM 2011; 364:2187-98 Lancet 2015;385:2477-84

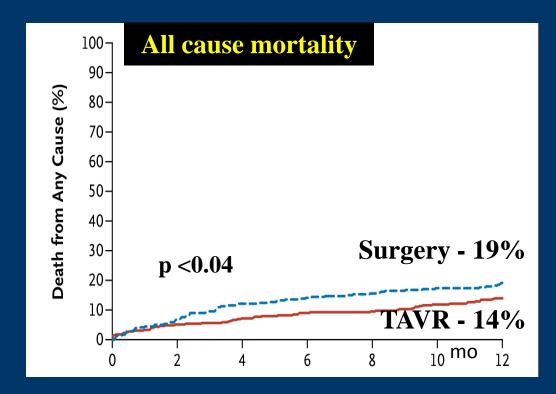


#### **PARTNER IA – HF Class**



### **CoreValve - High surgical risk**

Self-expanding system. N - 747. Randomized to TAVR (TF or TA) or SAVR Age 83, male 53%, HF III-IV 86%, Prior CABG 30%, DM 40%

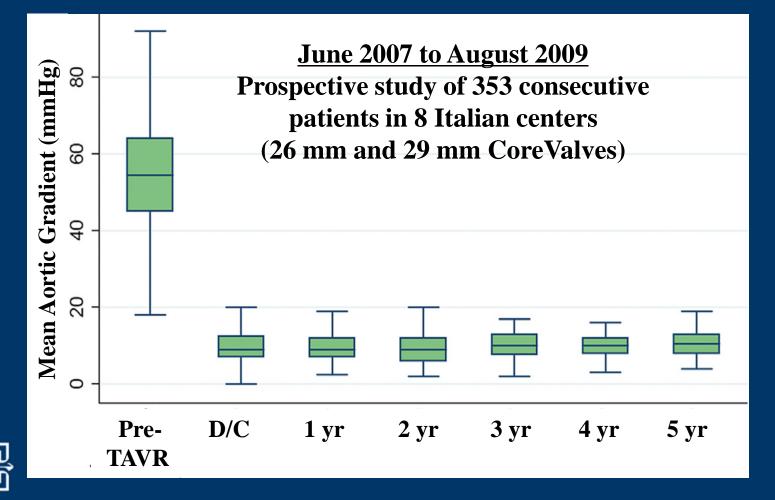




NEJM 2014;370:1790-8.

#### **5-Year Prosthesis Performance**

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> generation 18-F CoreValve device**



**JACC Intervention 2015;8;1084-91** 

## **30 day Outcomes**

Trial	Ν	STS	I	Death		CVA		≥2+ AR	Vasc Injury	P	acer
Partner IB	179	11.2		5.0	ſ	6.7	ſ	11.8	16.2	Π	3.4
Partner 1A	348	11.8		3.4		4.7		12.2	11.0		3.8
Partner IIB	284	10.3		3.5		4.3		24.0	9.6		6.4
SAPIEN 3	150	7.4		5.3		2.7		3.5	5.3		13.3
SAPIEN 3 TF	96	7.5	1	2.1	ſ	1.0		3.5	4.2	1	12.5
Core - Extreme	489	10.3		8.4		4.0		15.3	5.9		21.6
Core - Pivotal	390	7.3		3.3		4.9		10.0	5.3		19.8
Evolut R	60	7.0		0		0		3.4	8.3		11.7

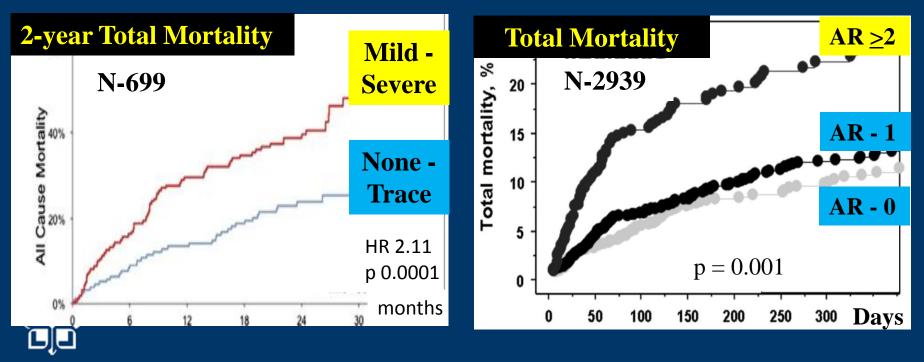
**Euro PCR 2015.** 

JACC 2014;64;2244-5

#### **Impact of Aortic Regurgitation**

Predictors: calcification, valve malposition within annulus, undersized valve, CoreValve vs Sapien (21% vs 13%)\*

**Outcomes:** AI > 2+ is an independent predictor of shortand long-term mortality. The mechanism is still unclear.

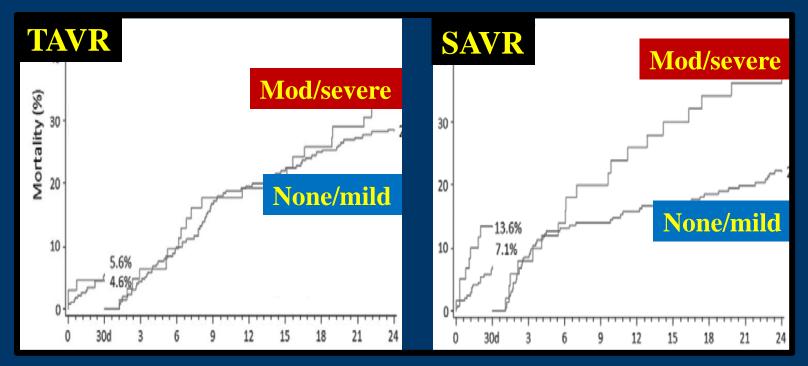


Partner IA. JACC 2013;61:1125-36

\*France 2 Registry. CIRC 2014; 129:1415-1427

#### **Role of Mitral Regurgitation**

**PARTNER 1A (high risk):** ~ 20% pts had mod or severe MR



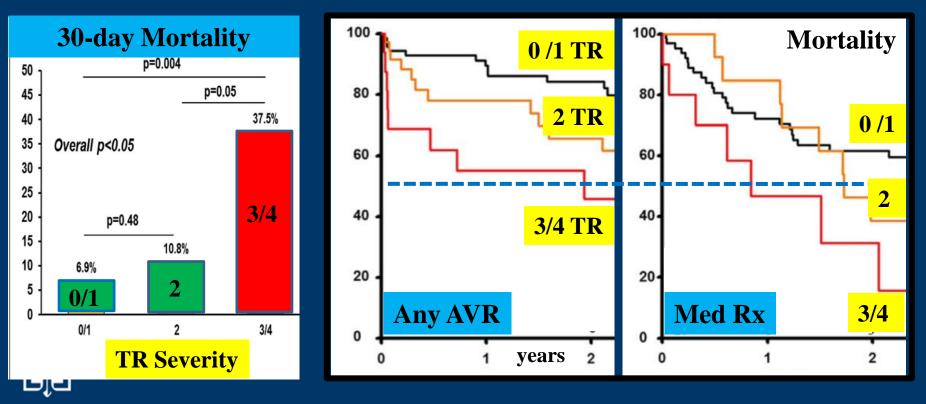
Moderate or severe MR was associated with a higher 2 year mortality with SAVR but not with TAVR. TAVR/SAVR: HF symptoms improved regardless of MR

Barbanti. Circ 2013;128:2776-84

### **Tricuspid Regurgitation**

#### **Mortality in Low Flow, Low Gradient, Low EFAS**

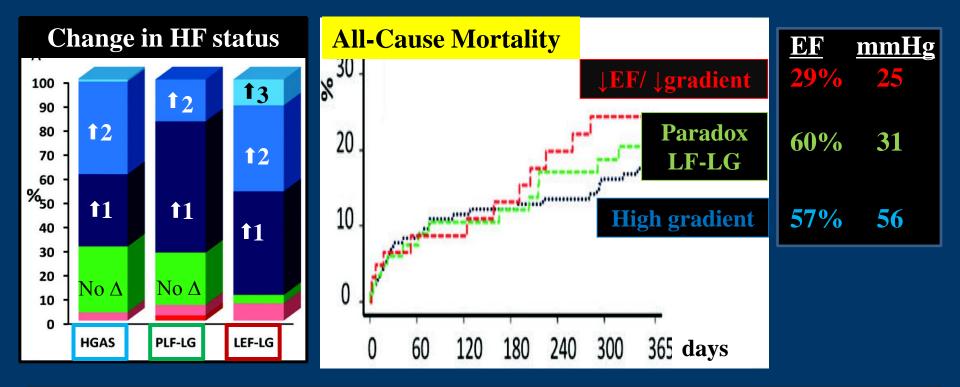
TOPAS study: 220 pts, age 73, HF III-IV 50% 60% underwent AVR (80% surg - 20% TAVR)



#### JACC Intervention 2015;8:588-96

### **TAVR - low flow, low gradient**

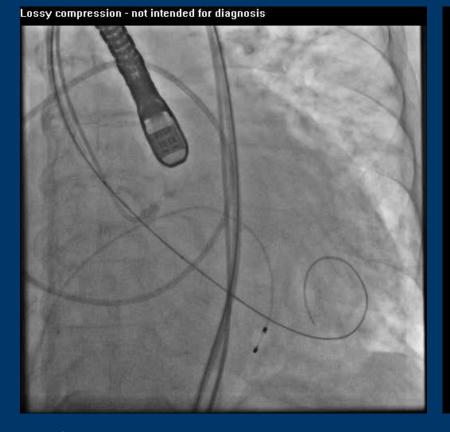
Retrospective analysis of 385 pts with inoperative or high risk symptomatic severe aortic stenosis.



Low EF-LG AS pts had more CAD, MI, MR. More likely to die of CV causes. Paradoxical LFLG pts - same benefit as HG. Typically 80 yr, 9, HTN, CAD.

**O'Sullivan. Europ Heart J 2013;34:3437-50** 

#### **Balloon Aortic Valvaloplasty**







#### **CoreValve Deployment**



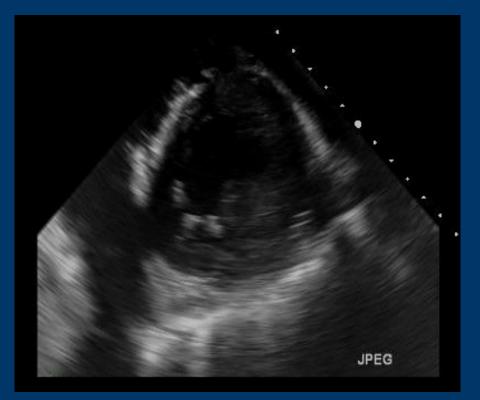
#### **Edwards Valve Deployment**

Lossy compression - not intended for diagnosis





## **LV Function During TAVR**



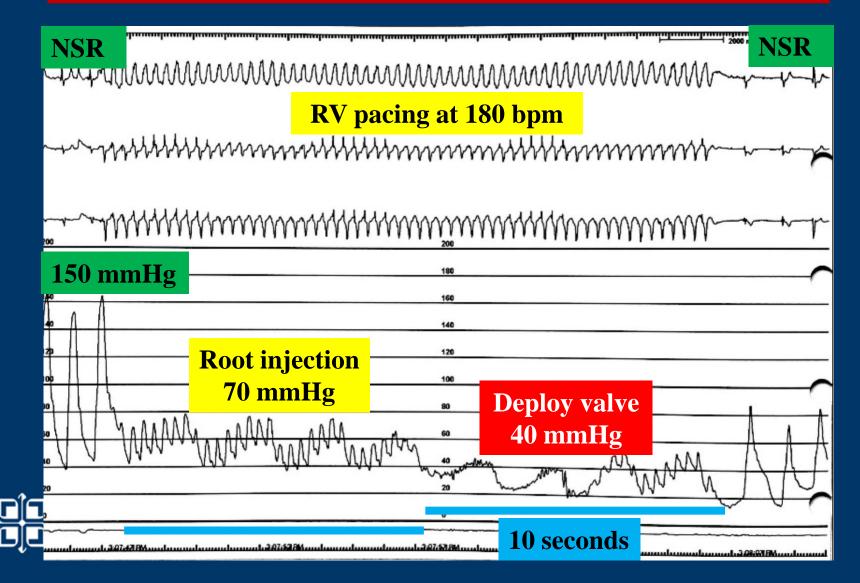


#### Baseline

#### **Rapid RV Pacing**



## **Rapid Pacing for TAVR**



#### **PARTNER IA at 5 Years**

**Balloon-expandable valves versus SAVR** 

For pts with no or trace paravalvular regurgitation, **5 year mortality reduction for TF-TAVR compared to SAVR was ~16%** (45% vs. 61%), emphasizing the need to eliminate paravalvular regurgitation post-procedure.

Better outcomes with TAVR: women, those with smaller annular size and low-flow, low gradient AS.

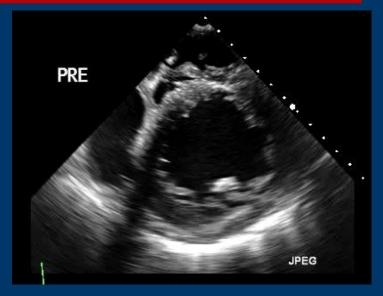


Waksman and Pichard. JACC 2015;66:122-4.

## **Typical TAVR Patient**

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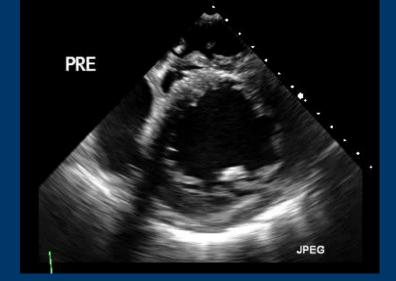




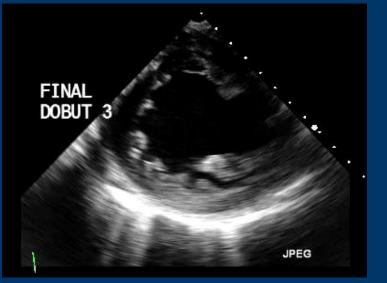
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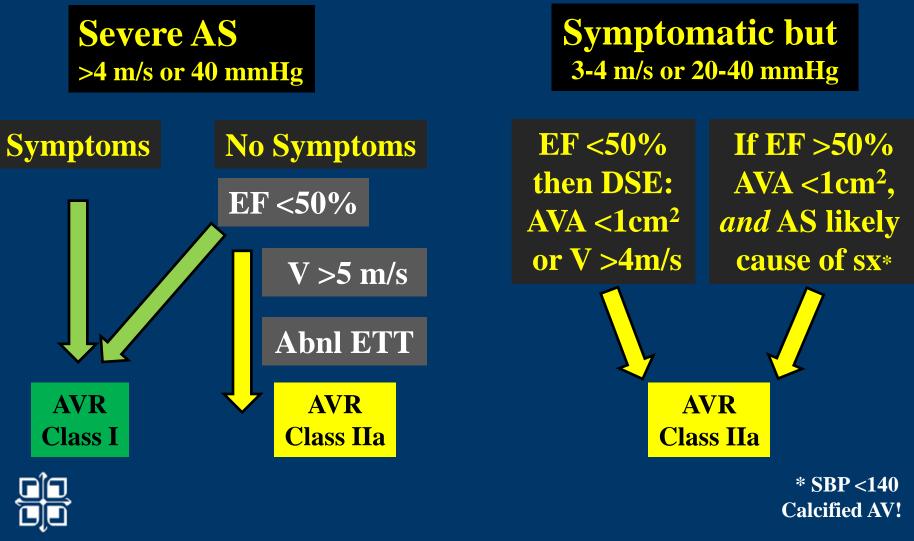


Cardiac output doubled and diastolic dysfunction improved.

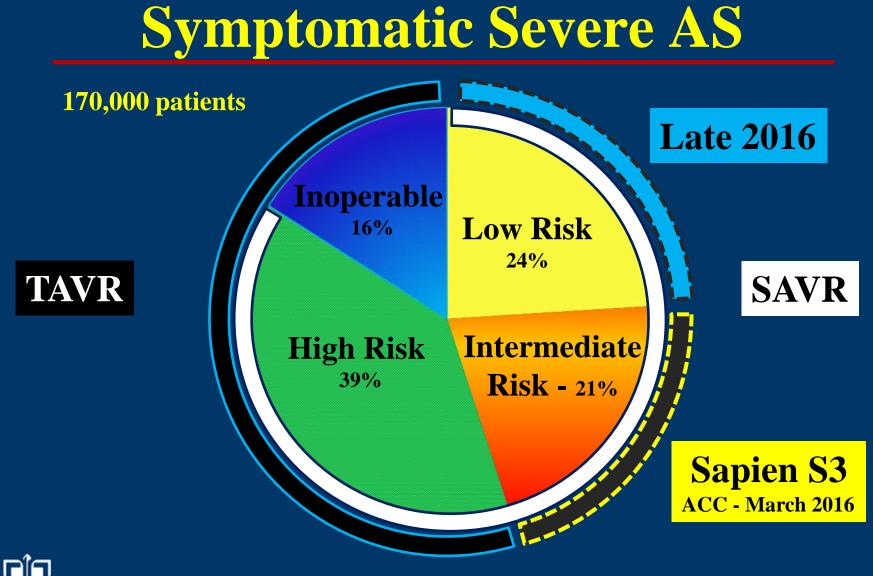




#### 2014 ACC/AHA: Guidelines

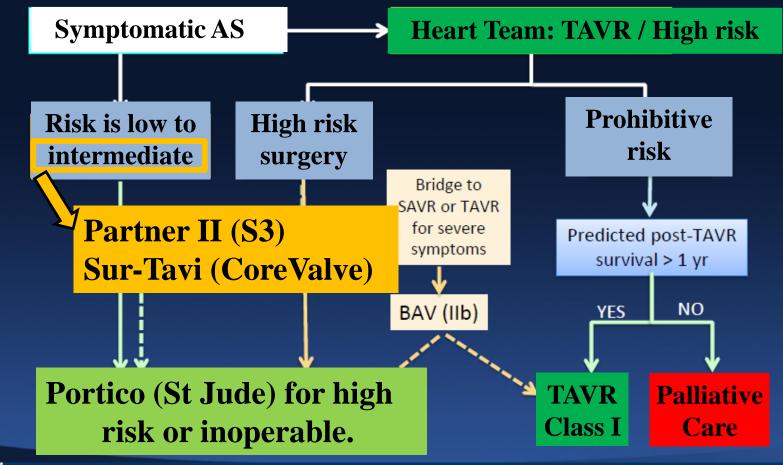


ACC/AHA Valvular Heart Disease Guidelines. JACC 2014;63:e57-185



1. STS Adult Cardiac Database - 2010 Harvest, Isolated AVR. 2. JACC. 2007;50(20):2018-19. 3. Europ Heart J. 2003;24:1231-43. 4. Circ. 2005;111:3290-5. 5. J of Heart Valve Dz. 2006;15:312-321. 6. Lancet. 2006;368:1005-11. 7. JACC. 1993;21(5):1220-25. 8. JAMA 2013;310(19):2069-2077. 9. Medtronic data

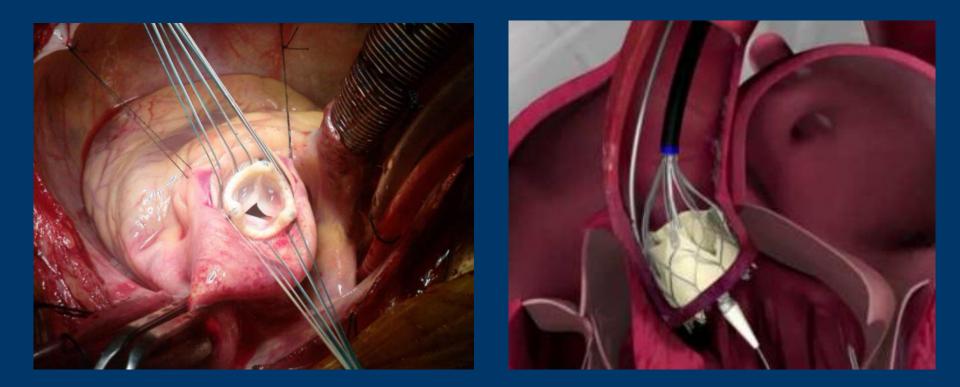
# **2014 ACC/AHA: Which Valve?**





ACC/AHA Valvular Heart Disease Guidelines. JACC 2014;63:e57-185

### **TAVR - Game Changer!**



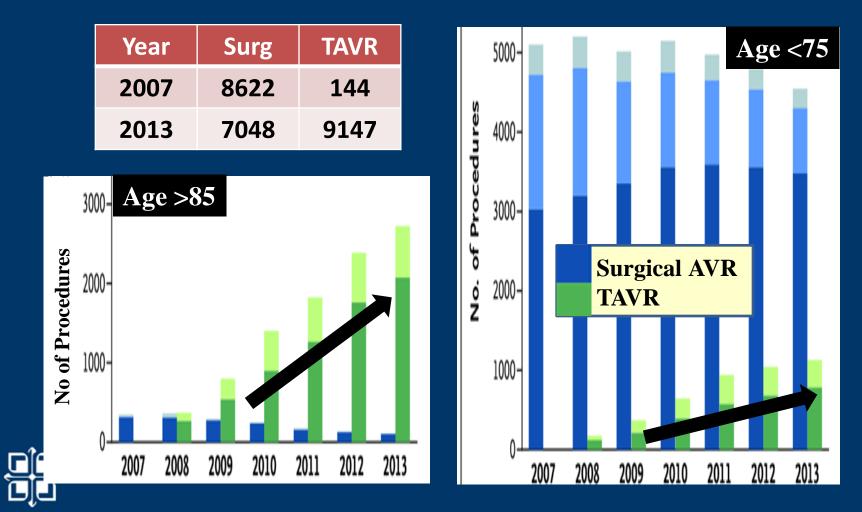
Trans-femoral TAVR should be considered as the first-line therapy for high risk patients with severe aortic stenosis.



Waksman and Pichard. JACC 2015;66:122-4.

#### **TAVR and Clinical Practice**

**In Germany** 



NEJM 2016;373:2438-47

#### **Aortic Stenosis in 2016**

