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# Chronic Aortic Dissection: How To Deal With The False Lumen

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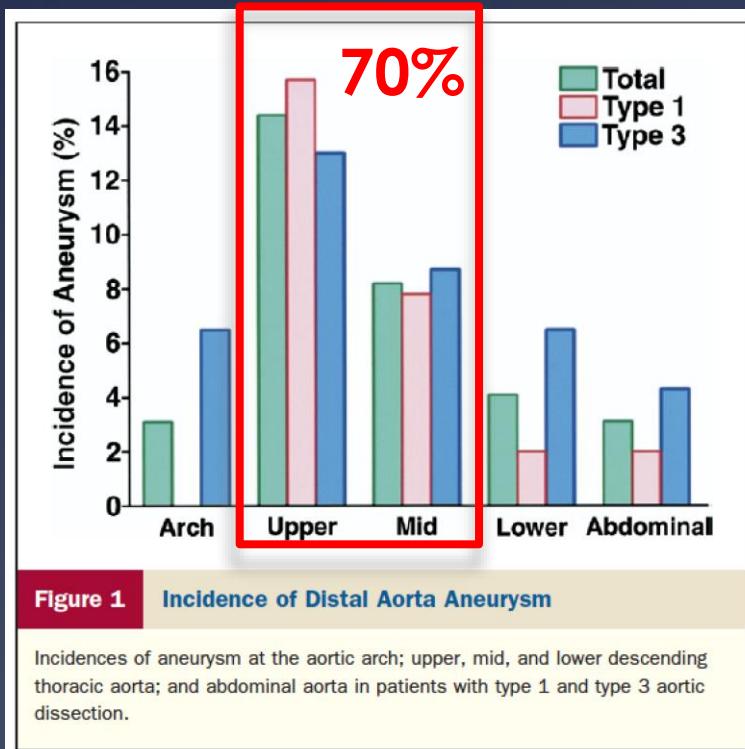
- \* Research-grants, travelling, proctoring speaking-fees, IP with Cook.
- \* Consulting with Philips

# FL-Aneurysm in Chronic AD



## Long-Term Predictors of Descending Aorta Aneurysm Change in Patients With Aort

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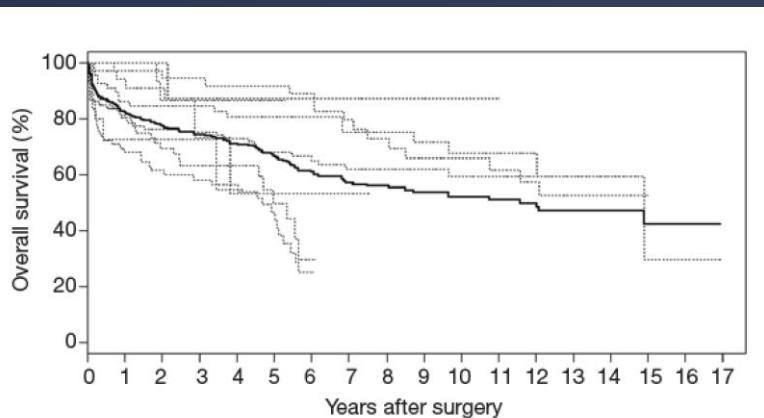
# Open Surgery for CTBAD



## Systematic Review

### Open surgical repair for chronic type B aortic dissection: a systematic review

David H. Tian<sup>1</sup>, Ramesh P. De Silva<sup>1</sup>, Tom Wang<sup>1</sup>, Tristan D. Yan<sup>1,2</sup>



**Figure 1** Overall survival based on reconstructed individual patient data. Data of 458 patients from seven studies were reconstructed and presented. Dotted lines represent Kaplan-Meier curves of individual studies, while the solid line represents aggregate reconstructed survival data of the entire cohort.

19 studies, n=970, 58y mean age

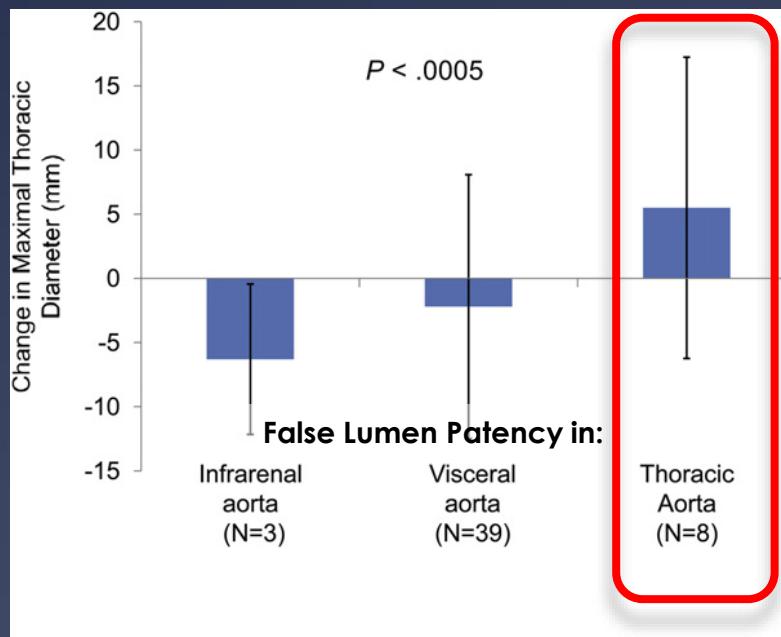
- \* 30d mortality: 11%
- \* Stroke: 6%, SCI: 5%, CNI: 8%
- \* 3/10y survival: 74/50%
- \* Conclusion:  
„poorer compared to TEVAR“

# TEVAR in Chronic Type B



Efficacy of thoracic endovascular stent repair for chronic type B aortic dissection with aneurysmal degeneration

Salvatore T. Scali, MD,<sup>a</sup> Robert J. Feezor, MD,<sup>a</sup> Catherine K. Chang, MD,<sup>a</sup> David H. Stone, MD,<sup>c</sup> Philip J. Hess, MD,<sup>b</sup> Tomas D. Martin, MD,<sup>b</sup> Thomas S. Huber, MD, PhD,<sup>a</sup> and Adam W. Beck, MD,<sup>a</sup>  
*Gainesville, Fla; and Lebanon, NH*



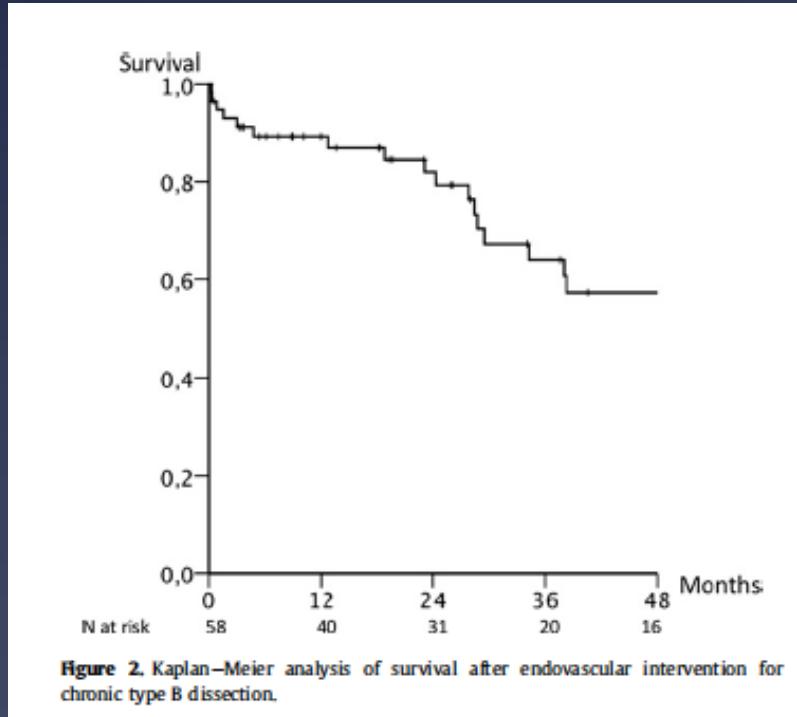
- \* 2004-2011
- \* n=80, 26 months FU
- \* TEVAR for type B and residual AD
- \* LSA-coverage 75%, 24% debranching
- \* Median 16 (1-74) months.
- \* 35% FL-expansion during FU (!)

# TEVAR in Chronic Type B



## Predictors of Outcome after Endovascular Repair for Chronic Type B Dissection

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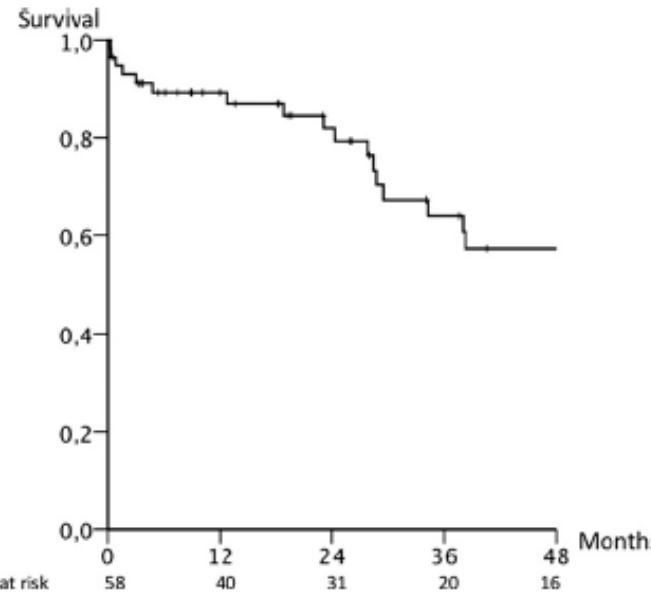
- \* 2000-2010
- \* N=58, 38 months FU
- \* TEVAR for chronic type B (>14days)
- \* Perioperative mortality 5.2%
- \* 3 year mortality 36%

# TEVAR in Chronic Type B



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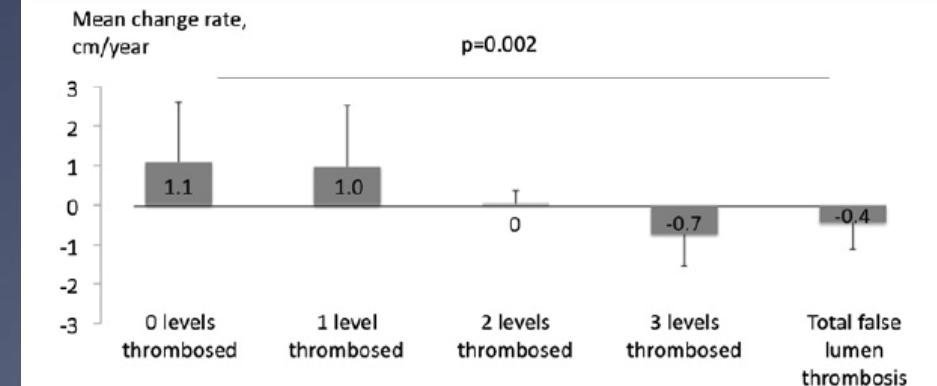
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**Figure 2.** Kaplan–Meier analysis of survival after endovascular intervention for chronic type B dissection.

Cox regression analysis of factors related to mortality in patients with mid-term followup.

Parameters	Odds ratio	P-value	95% CI
Age, per year	1.08	0.04	1.00 – 1.17
Female vs male	0.01	0.03	0.00 – 0.64
Urgent vs elective	0.59	0.60	0.08 – 4.33
Maximal aortic diameter pre-intervention, per cm	0.92	0.82	0.43 – 1.95
Increase in aortic size, per cm	2.70	0.01	1.23 – 5.96



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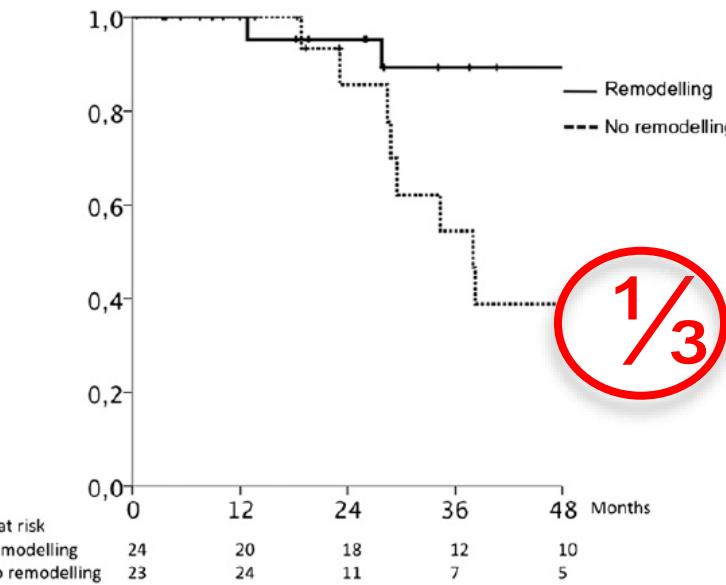


Figure 5. Kaplan-Meier analysis of survival based on remodelling of the aorta after endovascular intervention for chronic type B dissection.

False Lumen Perfusion



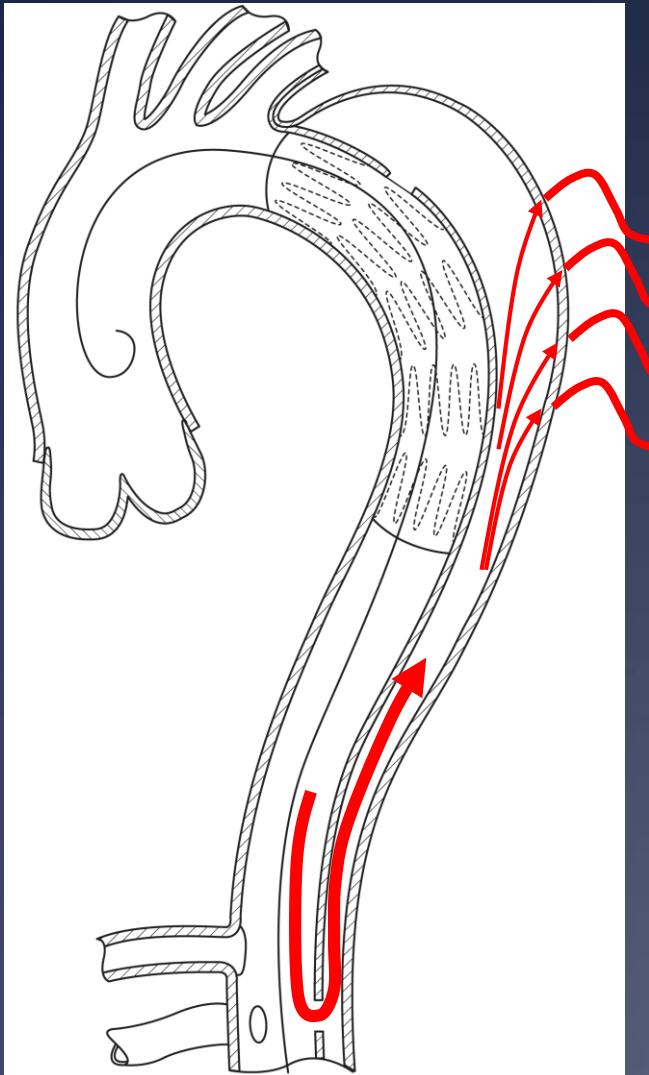
No Aortic Remodelling



Death



# Failure to Remodel in Chronic Dissection



- \* Perfusion and pressure unchanged in false lumen
- \* Presence of Intercostals originating from false lumen
- \* False lumen back flow to Intercostals
- \* FL-TAA in 1/3 of TEVAR-patients!

# Open Fenestration

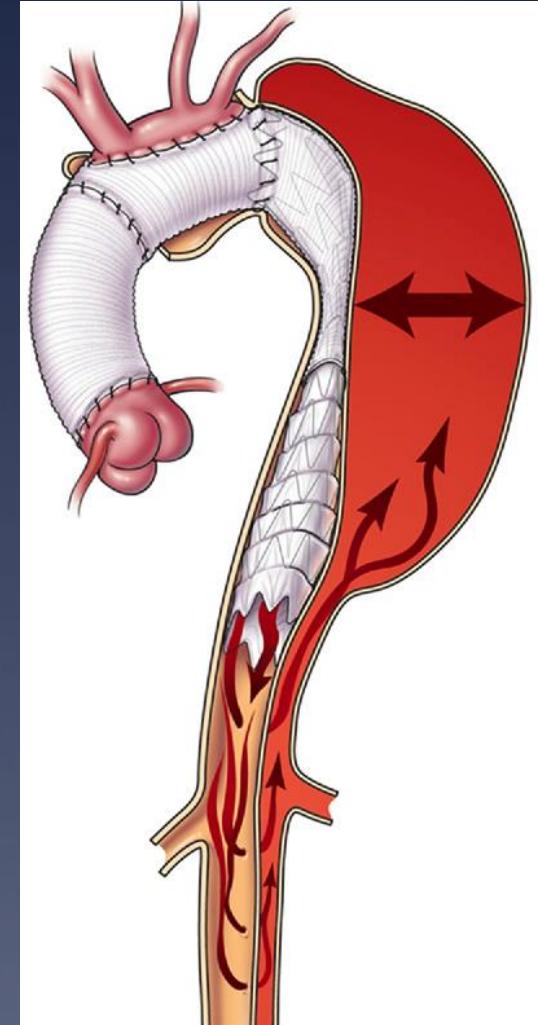


## Distal Landing Zone Open Fenestration Facilitates Endovascular Elephant Trunk Completion and False Lumen Thrombosis

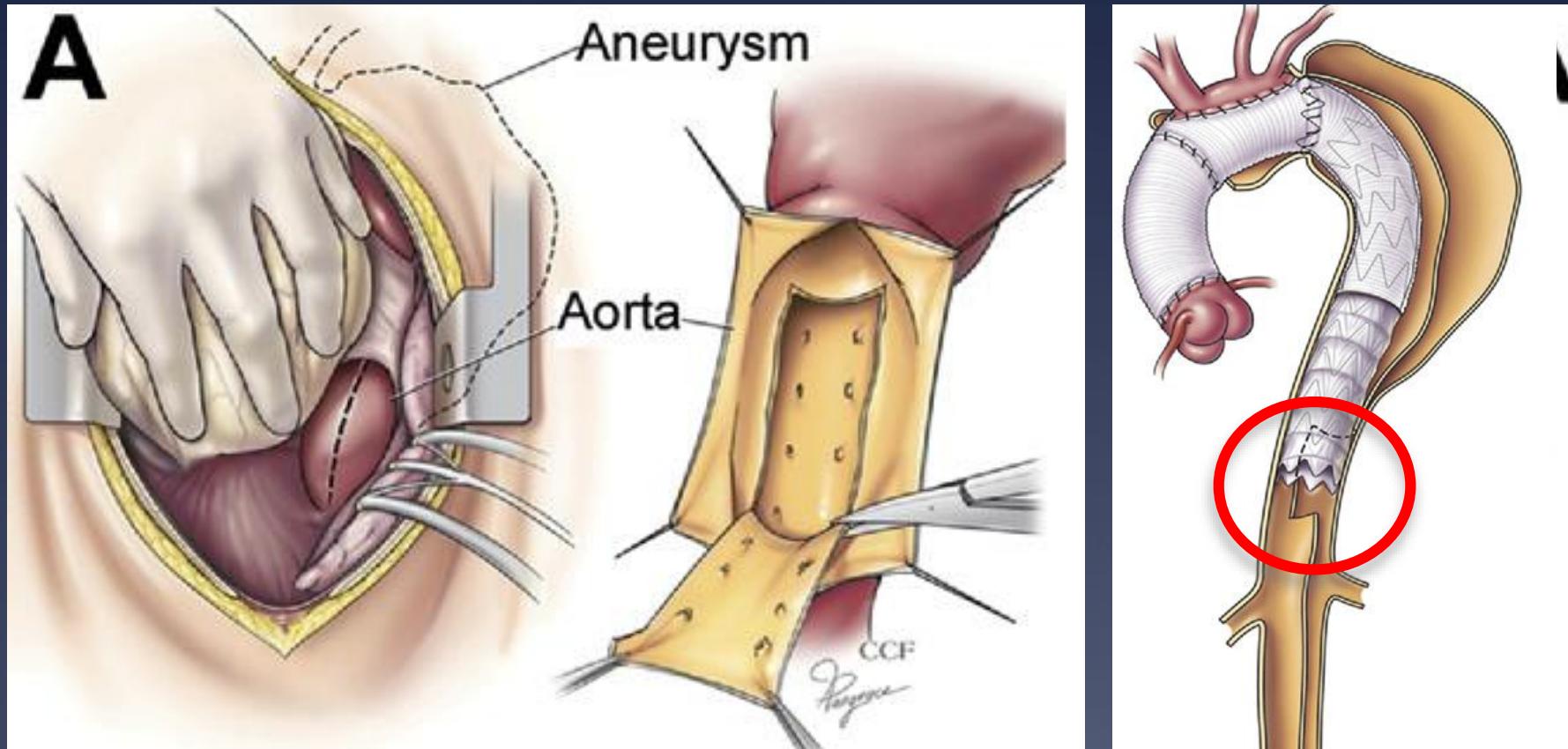
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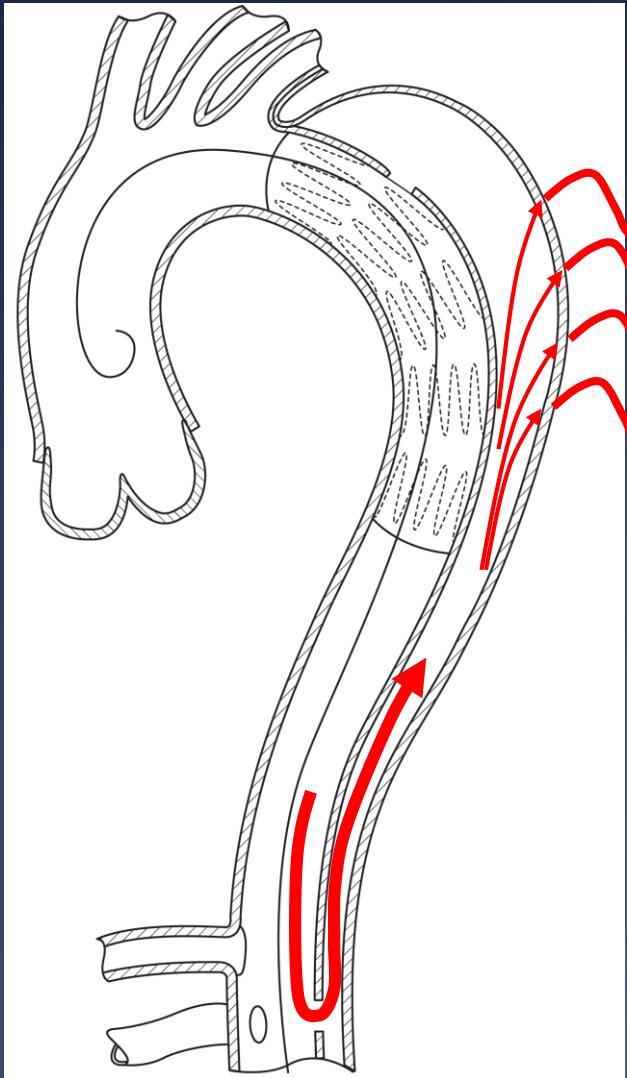
- \* 2007-2011; n=24
- \* Open first stage elefant trunc + fenestration of descending aorta
- \* Endovascular second stage completion
- \* Survival 92% @ 2years



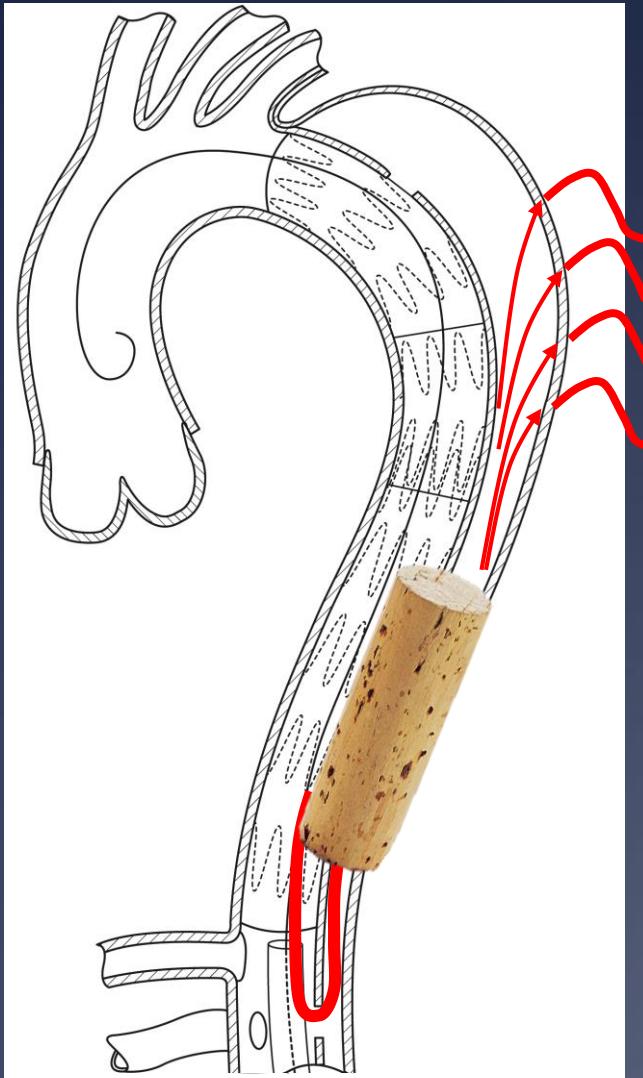
# Open Fenestration



# Direct False Lumen Occlusion



# Direct False Lumen Occlusion



- \* TEVAR-extension to CA
- \* Embolisation or Knickerbocker
- \* Separates aortic FL-compartments!
- \* Does not restrict further distal techniques like fenestrated EVAR

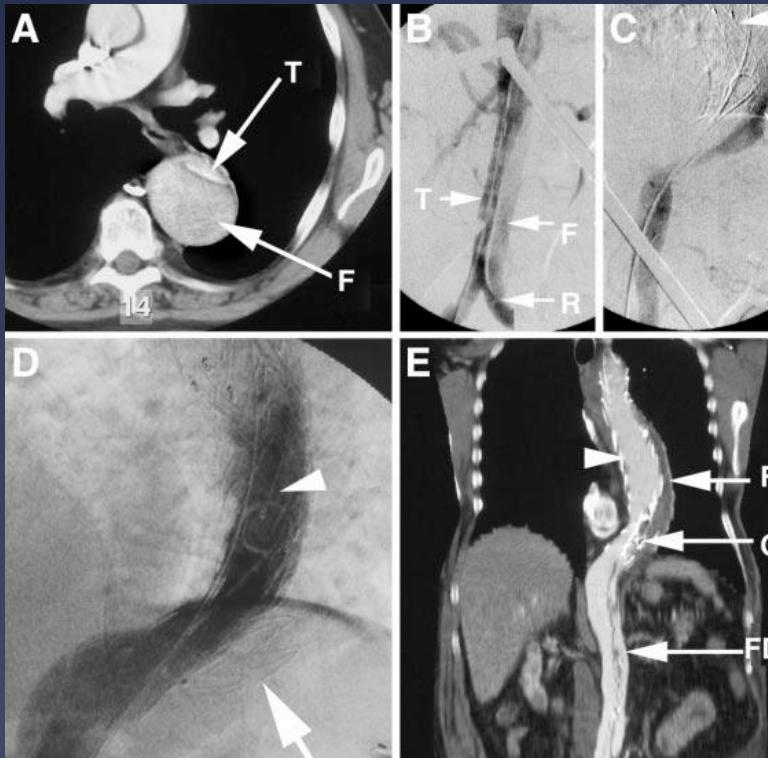


# Filters, Balloons, Thrombin



## How to Exclude the Dilated False Lumen in Patients After a Type B Aortic Dissection? The Cork in the Bottleneck

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Cees De Vries, MD<sup>3</sup>; Kees Bloemendaal, MD<sup>2</sup>; and Anco C. Vahl, MD, PhD<sup>1</sup>

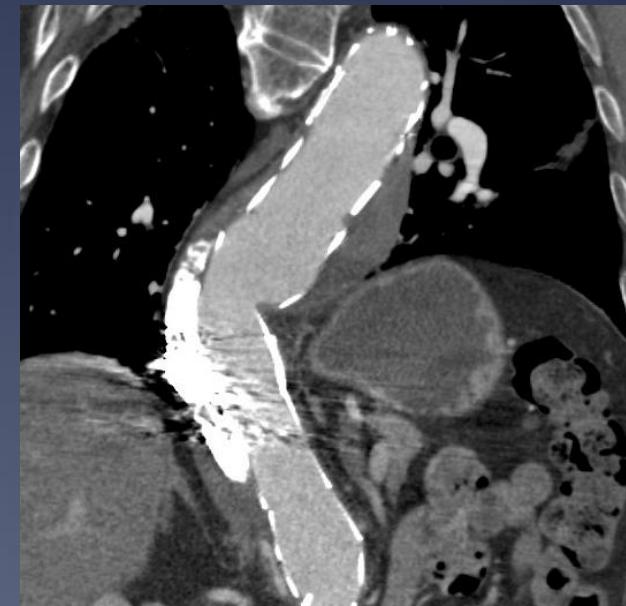
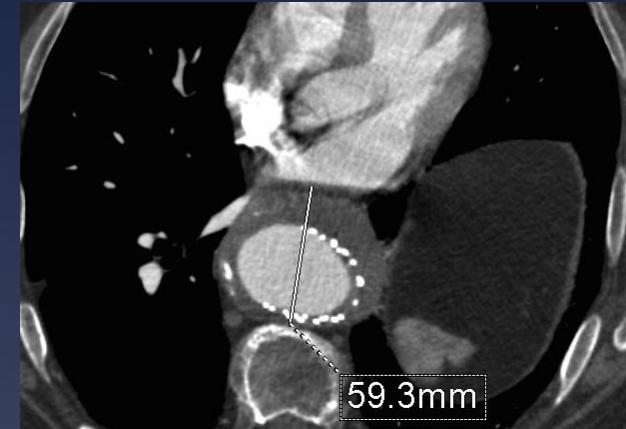


- \* 2 Cases
  - 1. FL-TAA-occlusion with:
    - \* 2 Greenfield filters
    - \* 6 detachable balloons
    - \* 5ml thrombin
  - 2. FL-TAA-occlusion with:
    - \* 24mm Talent occluder

# Coils, Plugs, Glue



Preop. CT



Postop. CT



# Iliac Occluder

## Outcomes after false lumen embolization with covered stent devices in chronic dissection

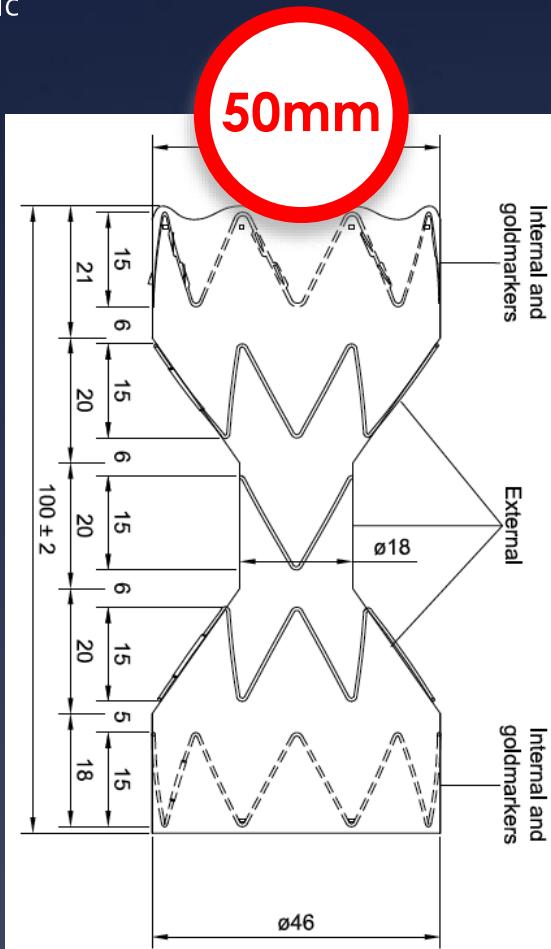
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Maximum Diameter: 24mm!



Outcome <sup>a</sup> (N = 21)	
30-day mortality	1 (4.7)
Follow-up, median months	26 (2-42)
Aortic rupture	0
Complete thrombosis after index embolization	15 (71)
Partial thrombosis	6 (29)
Endovascular reintervention (re-embolization)	4 (19)
Complete thrombosis after further embolization	19 (90)
Failure of thrombosis	0
Reduction in postoperative max descending diameter	13 (62)
Shrinkage, median mm	4.6 (0.2-27)

# Candy-Plug



22mm Amplatzer plug II



22mm ZIP iliac-occluder

# Candy-Plug



October 2013

January 2014

January 2016

# Candy-Plug



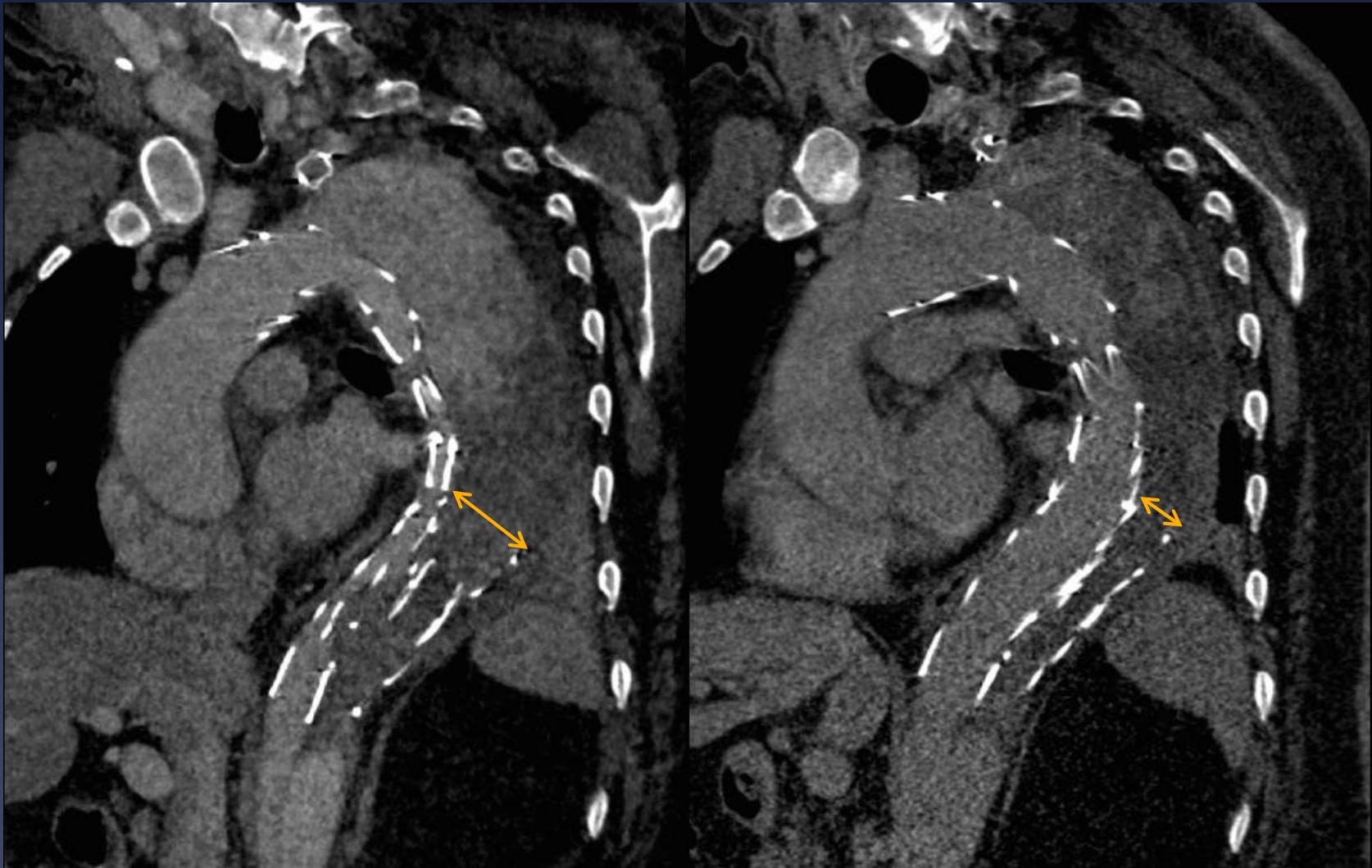
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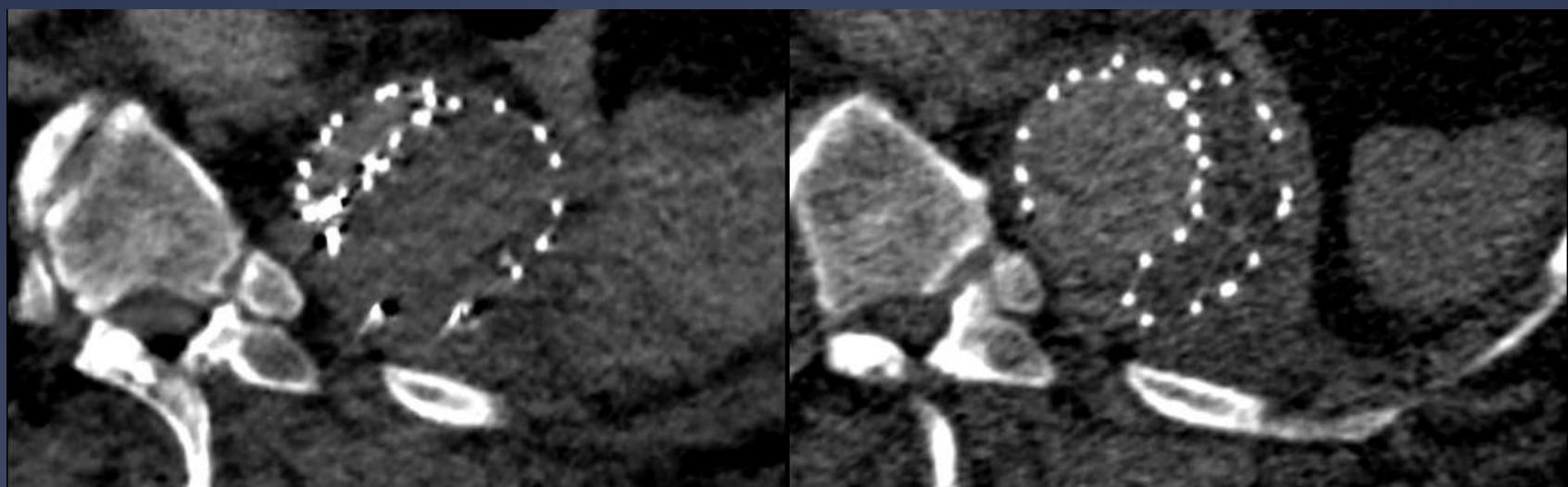
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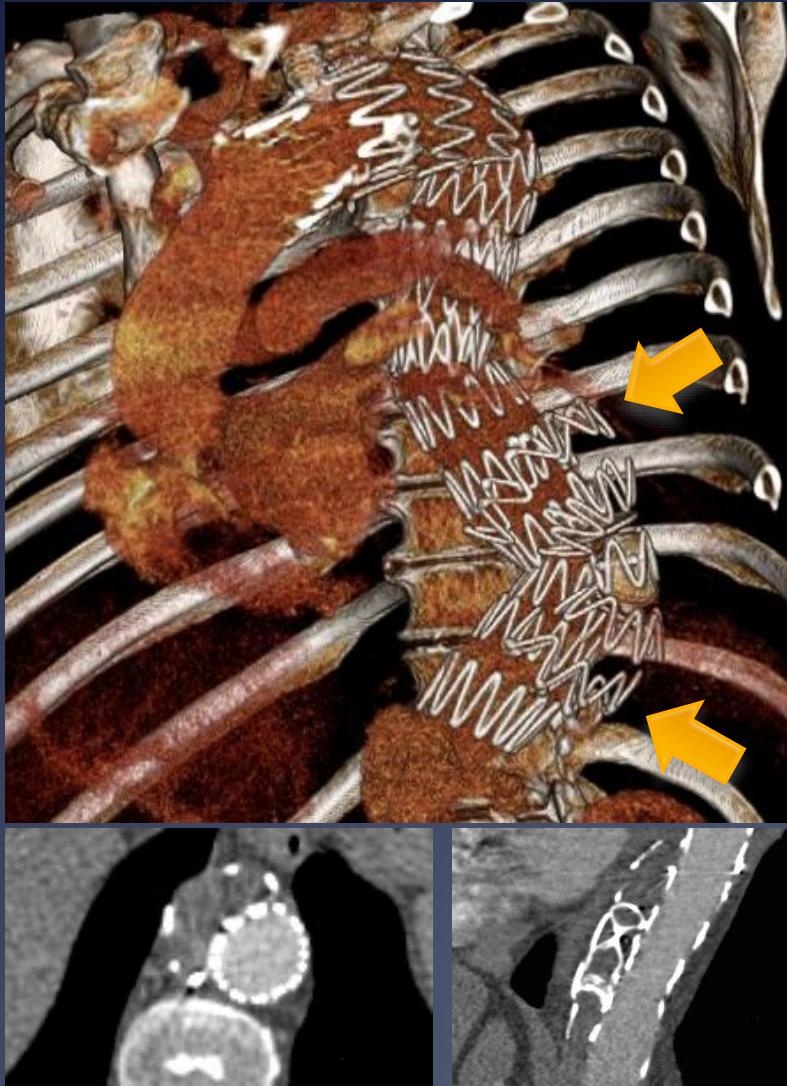
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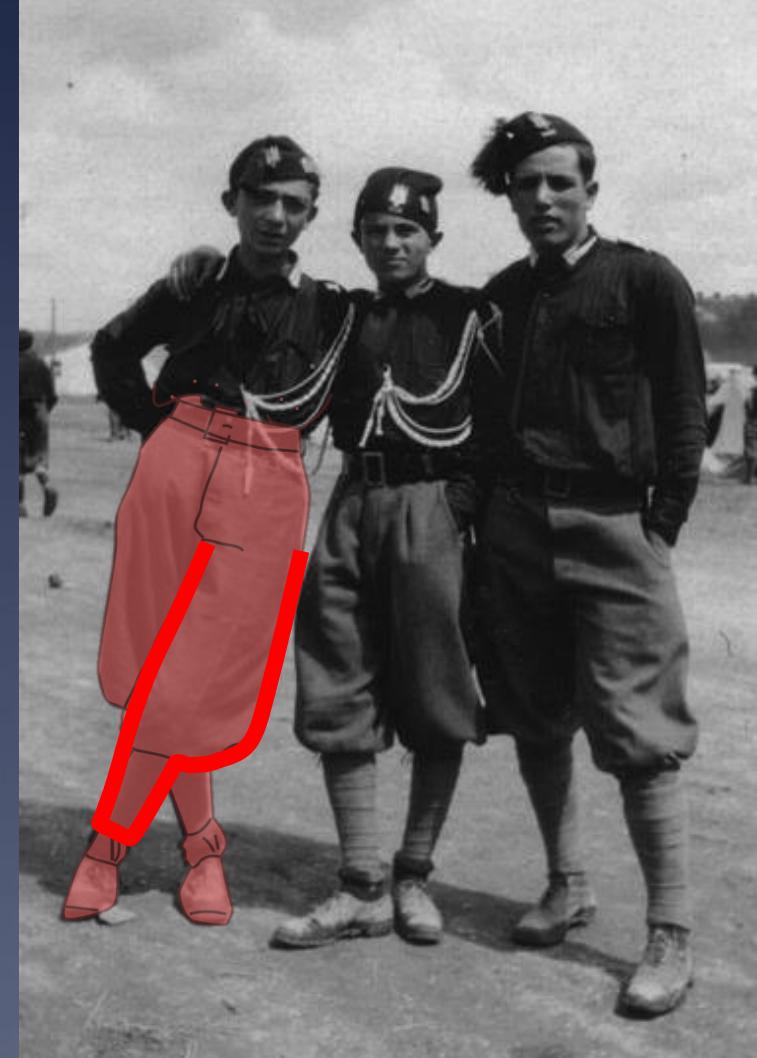
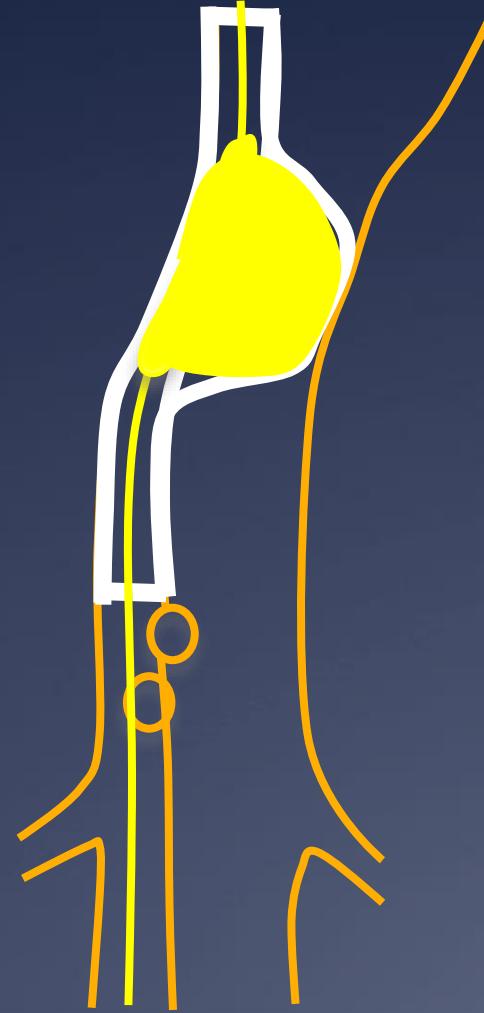
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# Candy-Plug Multicenter

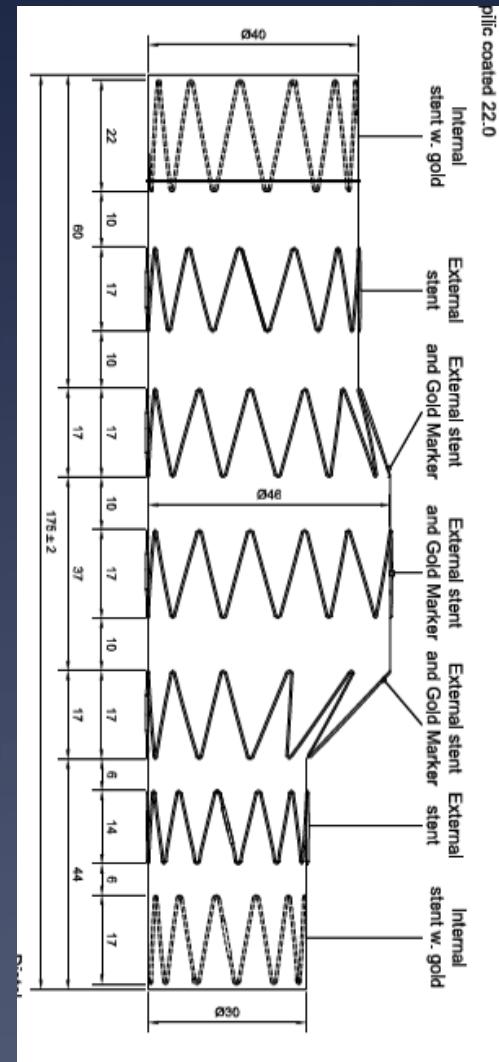
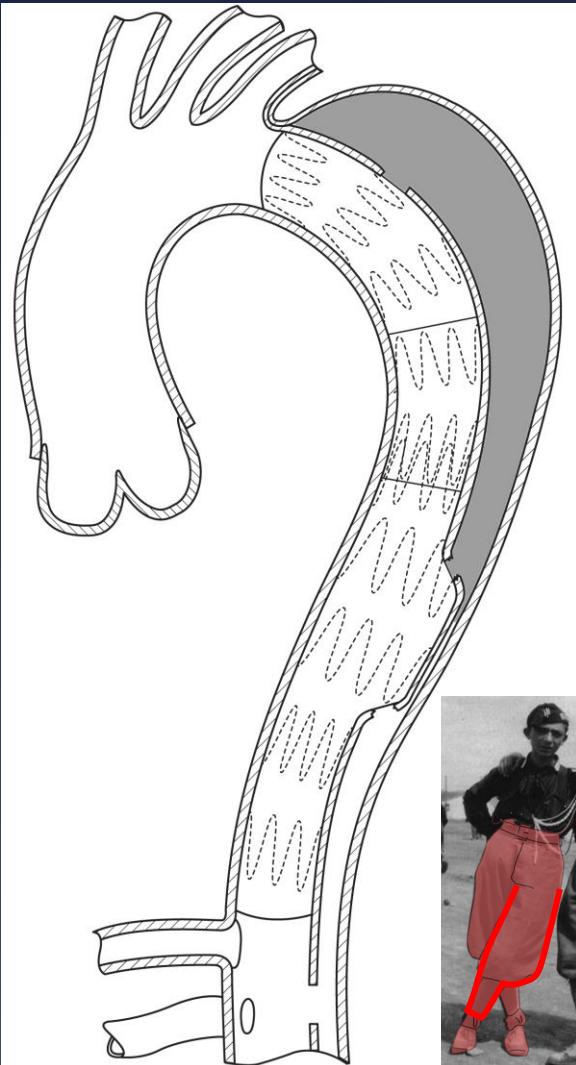


- \* 2013-2015; N=21
- \* Technical success 21/21
- \* No rupture
- \* No SCI
- \* No early mortality
- \* 3 reinterventions for continuous perfusion
- \* Secondary FL-thrombosis 20/21 patients

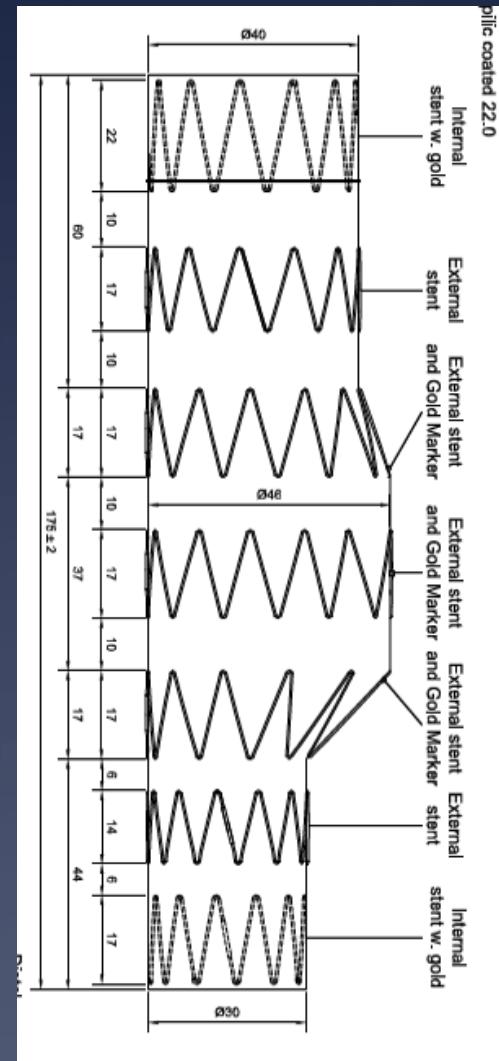
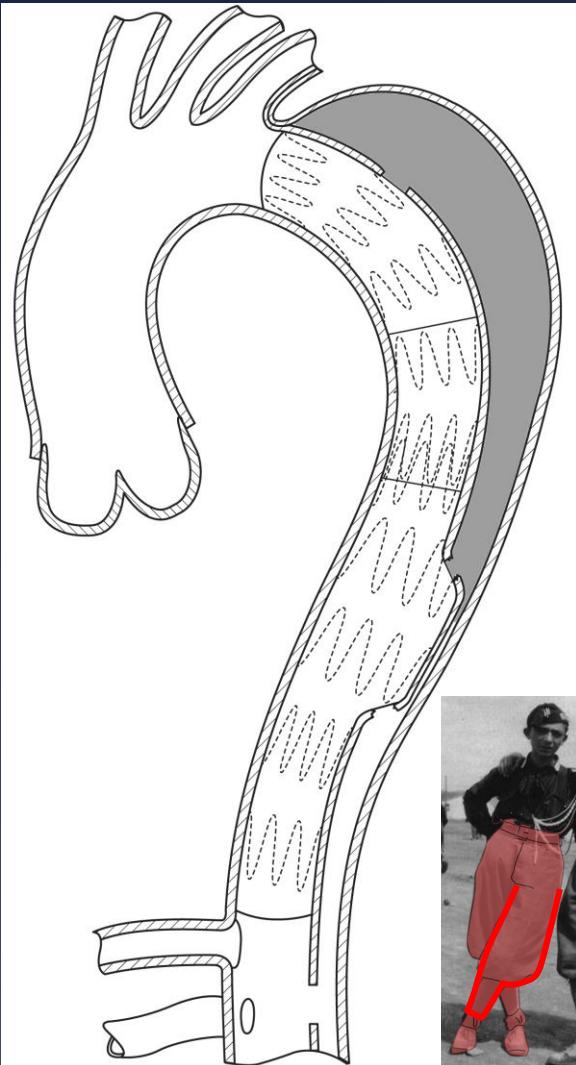
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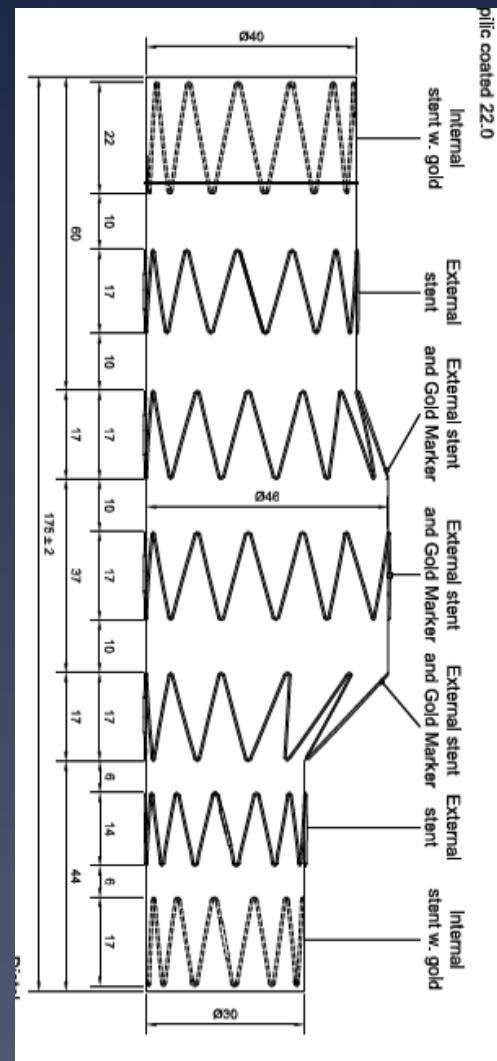
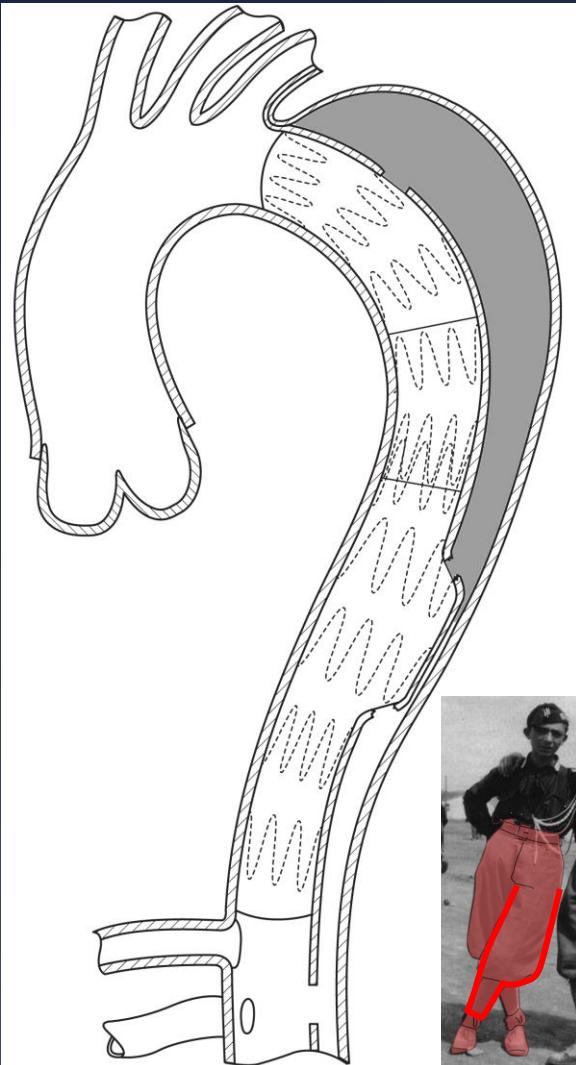
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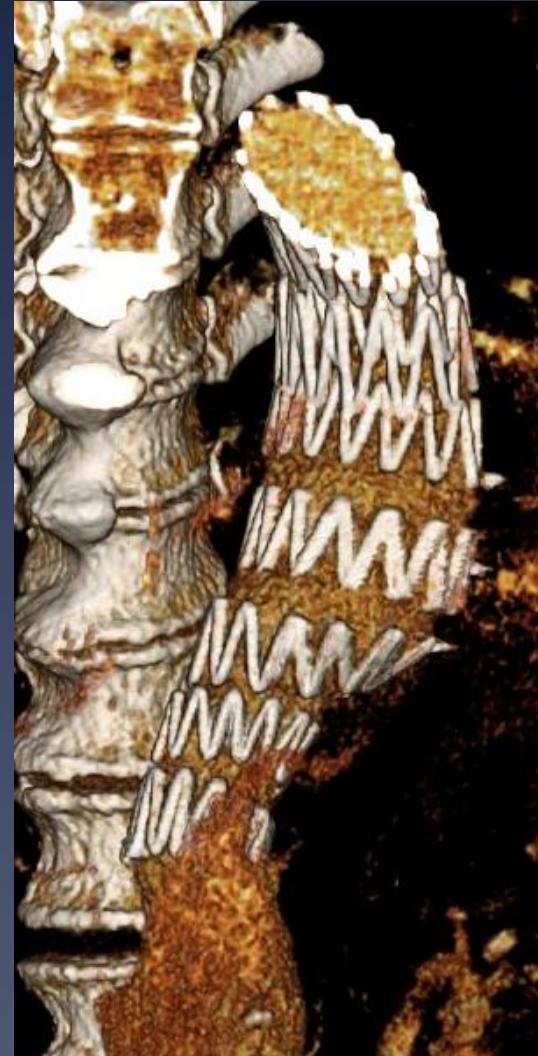
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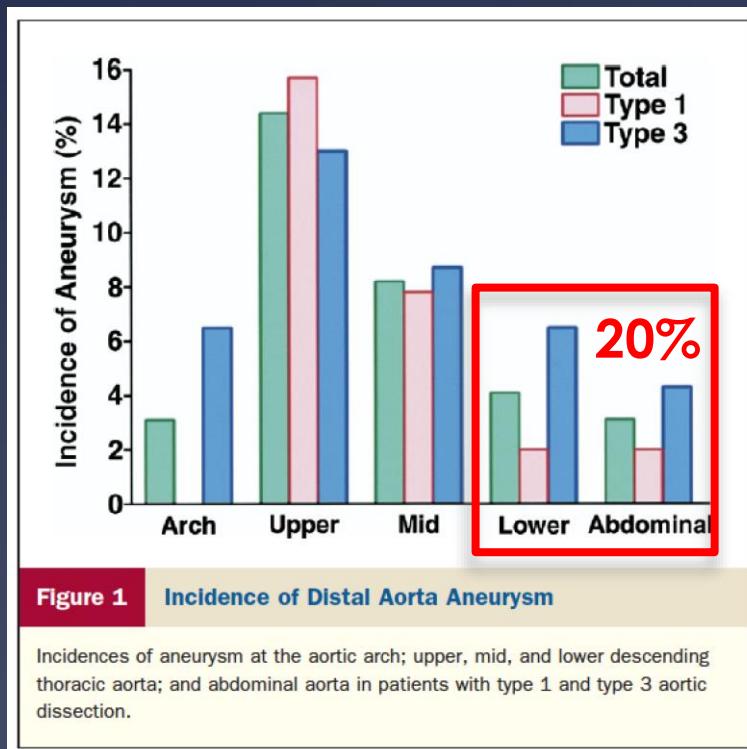
- \* 2013-2015; N=18
- \* Technical success 17/18
- \* 1 rupture
- \* No SCI
- \* No mortality
- \* 4 reinterventions for continuous perfusion
- \* Secondary FL-thrombosis all patients



# FL-Aneurysm in Chronic AD

## Long-Term Predictors of Descending Aorta Aneurysmal Change in Patients With Aortic Dissection

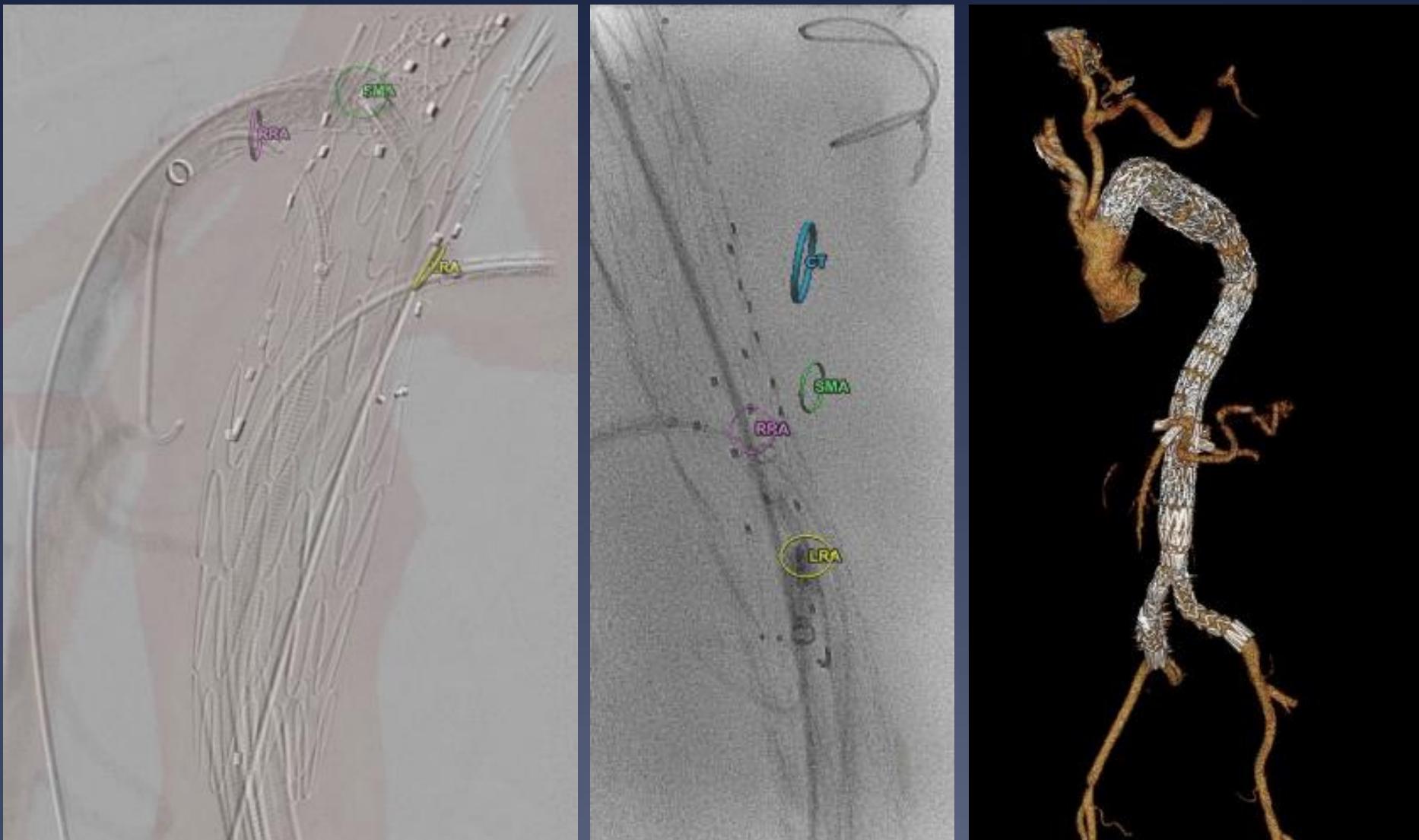
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- \* N=100: 51 post TAAD; 49 TBAD
- \* FU:  $53 \pm 26$  months: FL-Aneurysm
  - \* Aortic arch 3%
  - \* Upper desc. aorta 14%
  - \* Mid desc. aorta 8%
  - \* Lower desc. aorta 4%
  - \* Abdominal aorta 3%



# fEVAR in Chronic Type B



# fEVAR in Chronic Type A/B



## Outcomes of Fenestrated/Branched Endografting in Post-dissection Thoracoabdominal Aortic Aneurysms

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<sup>b</sup> Department of Vascular and Endovascular Surgery, Paracelsus Medical University, Nürnberg, Germany



- \* 2010-2014
- \* N=31, 17 months FU
- \* 6 Type II EL; 6 type 1b EL
- \* 30d-mortality: 9.6%
- \* Technical success: 93.5%
- \* FL-thrombosis: 88%

# fEVAR in Chronic Type A/B



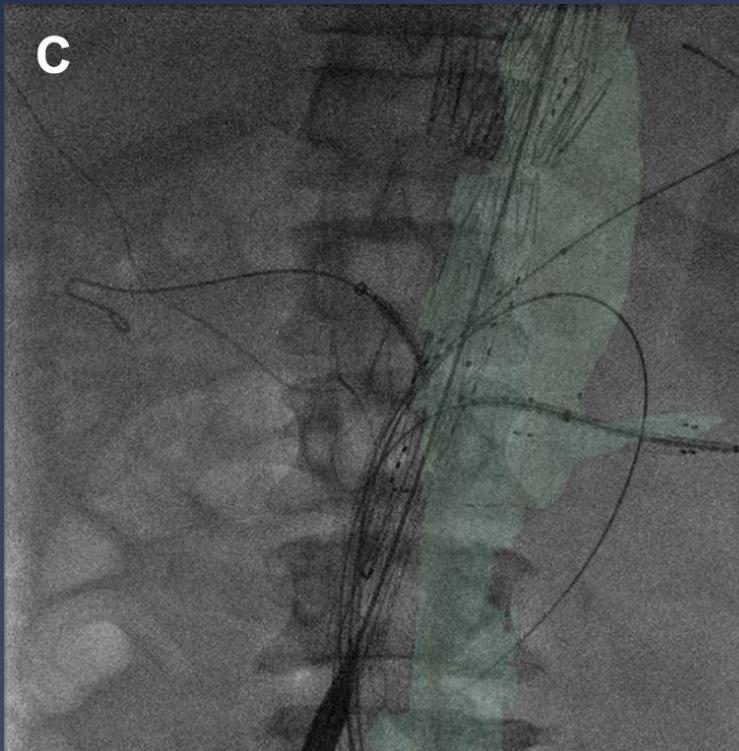
## Early Experience of Endovascular Repair of Post-dissection Aneurysms Involving the Thoraco-abdominal Aorta and the Arch

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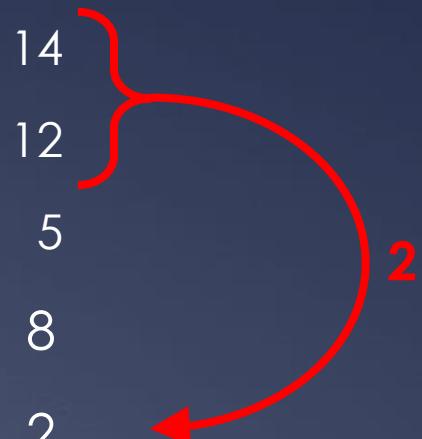
- \* 2011-2015
- \* N=16, 6 months mean FU
- \* Technical success: 100%
- \* 6 Type II EL; 1 type 3 EL
- \* In-hospital mortality: 6% (1/16)
- \* Paraplegia: 6% (1/16)
- \* FL-thrombosis: 56%

# Role of FL-Occlusion:

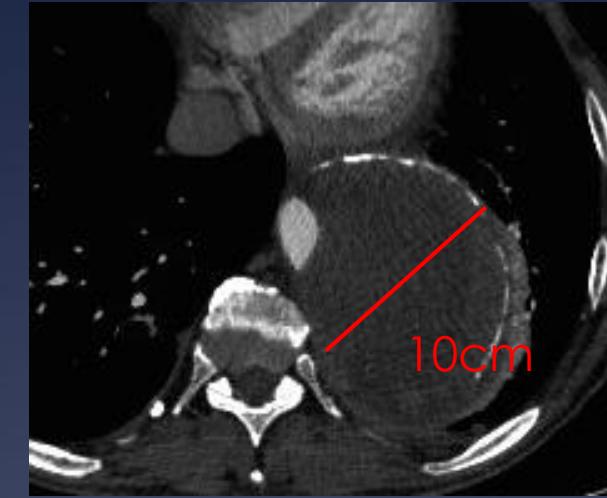
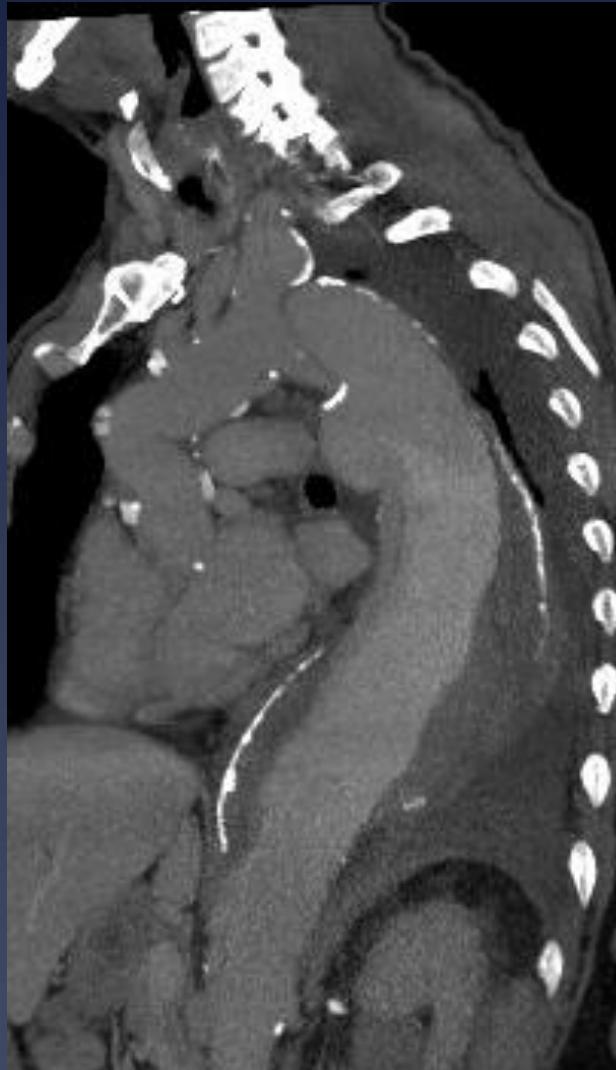


Hamburg 2013-2015:

- \* Chronic aortic dissection/failing TEVAR: 39
- \* False Lumen Occlusion techniques: 31
  - \* Candy-plug 14
  - \* Knickerbocker 12
  - \* Other (plugs, coils, glue) 5
- \* Primary F/B EVAR 8
- \* Secondary F/B EVAR 2



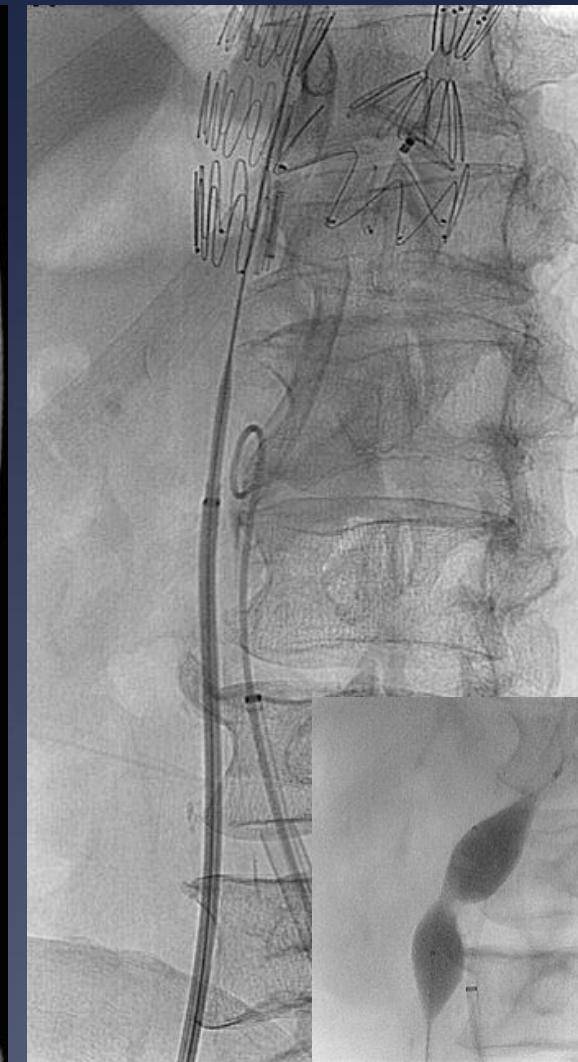
# Secondary F/B EVAR



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FET, TEVAR+Candyplug



+ Fenestration



F/B EVAR

# Iliac False Lumen Embolisation



Ballon-occlusion to prevent plug-embolisation



# Conclusion

- \* Tubular stent-graft sufficient in majority cases of TBAD.
- \* False lumen backflow limiting treatment success in chronic TBAD.
- \* Techniques for false-lumen embolisation:
  - \* Plugs, coils, glue
  - \* Candy-plug
  - \* Knickerbocker-technique
- \* Experience promising, but future role to be defined.
- \* F/B stentgrafts reserved for abdominal FL-aneurysm.