



# Differenzierte interventionelle Therapie der AV-Klappeninsuffizienz – ab wann behandeln, edge-to-edge versus Transkatheter-Ersatz

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# Interessenskonflikte bezogen auf den Vortrag

## ***Firmenname***

*Abbott*

*Boston Scientific*

*Edwards Lifescience*

*Medtronic*

## ***Zusammenhang***

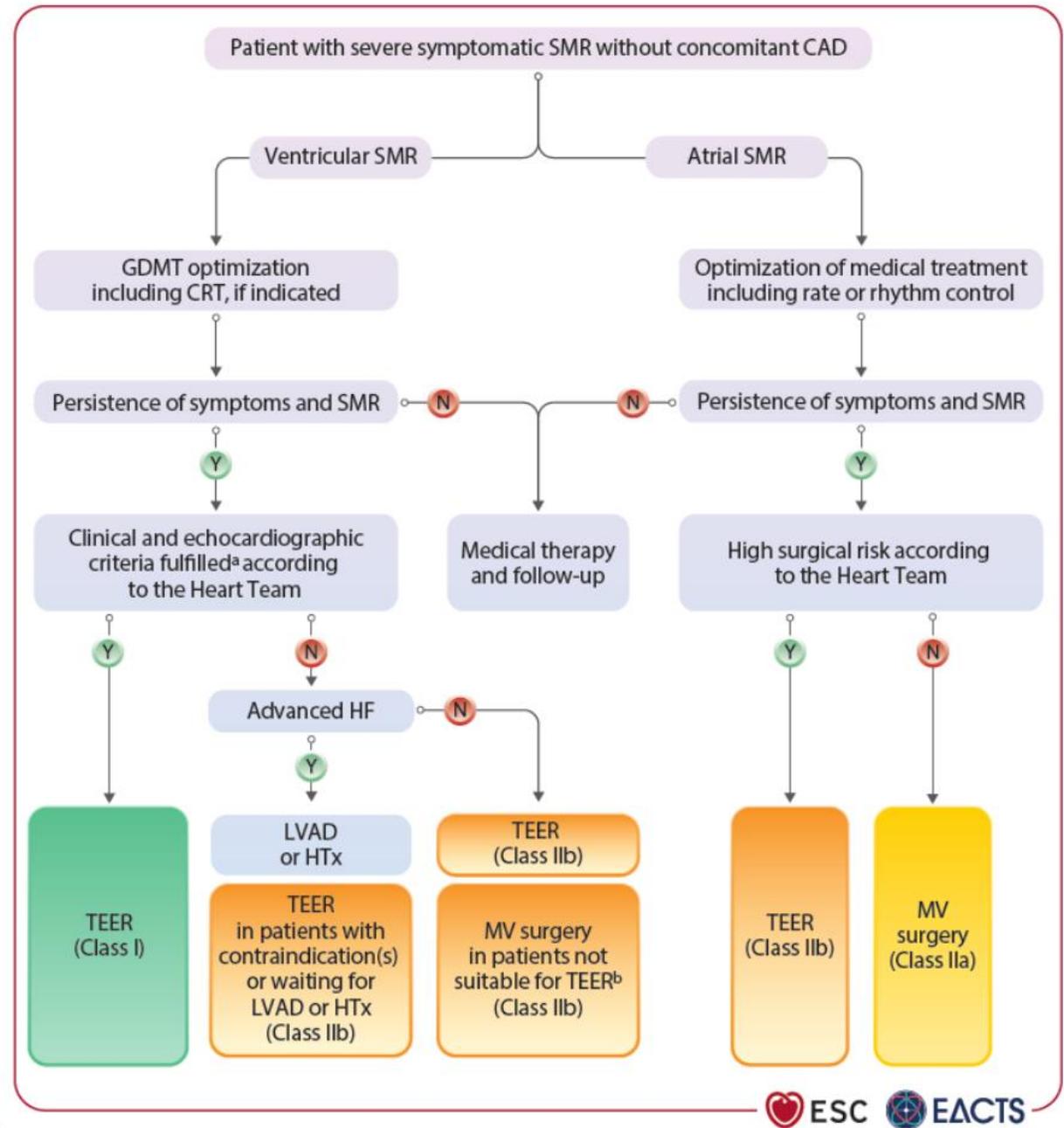
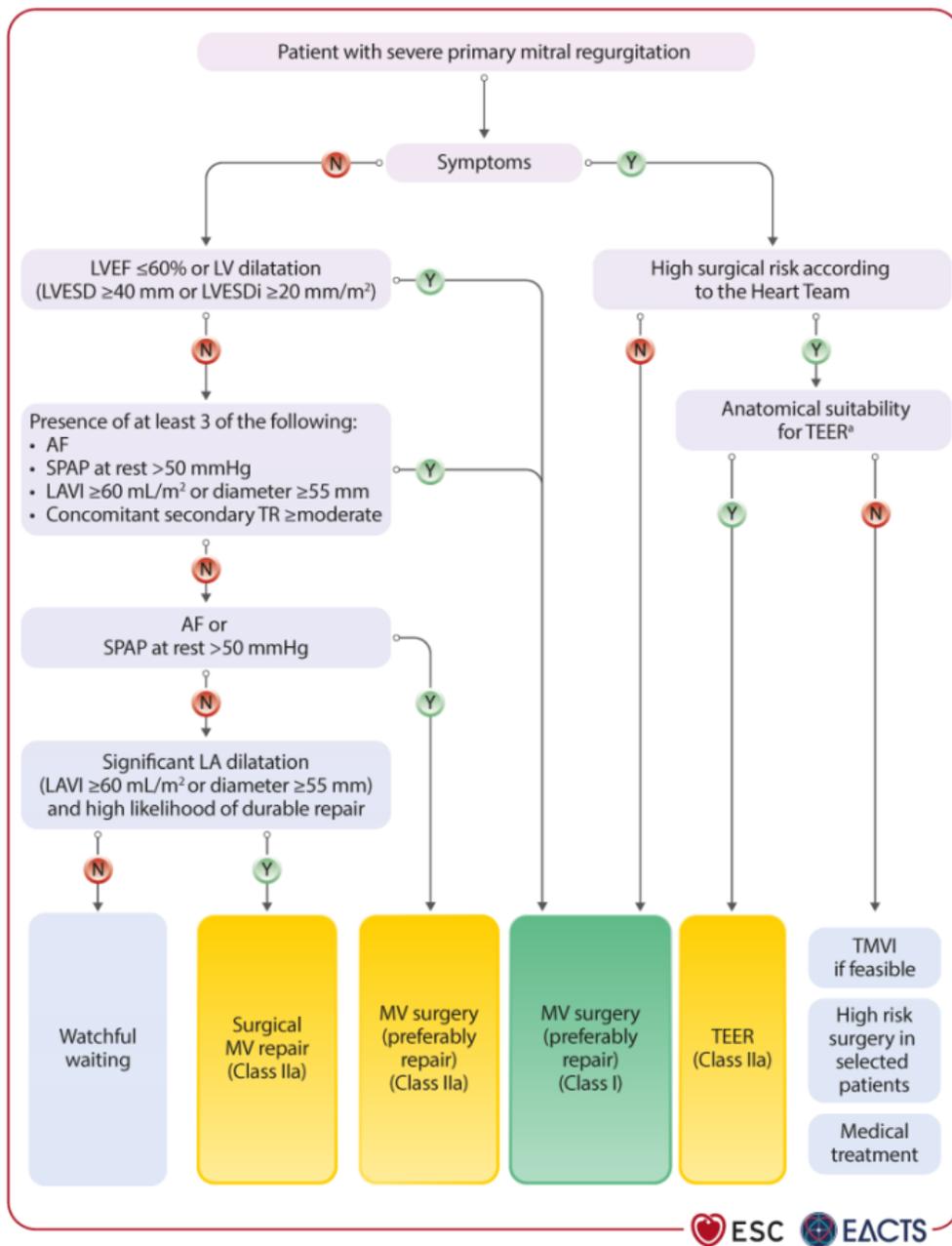
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Recommendations	Class	Level
<b>Severe ventricular secondary mitral regurgitation without concomitant coronary artery disease</b>		
TEER is recommended to reduce HF hospitalizations and improve quality of life in haemodynamically stable, symptomatic patients with impaired LVEF (<50%) and persistent severe ventricular SMR, despite optimized GDMT and CRT (if indicated), fulfilling specific clinical and echocardiographic criteria.	I	A
TEER may be considered for symptom improvement in selected symptomatic patients with severe ventricular SMR not fulfilling the specific clinical and echocardiographic criteria, after careful evaluation of LVAD or HTx.	IIb	B
MV surgery may be considered in symptomatic patients with severe ventricular SMR without advanced HF who are not suitable for TEER.	IIb	C



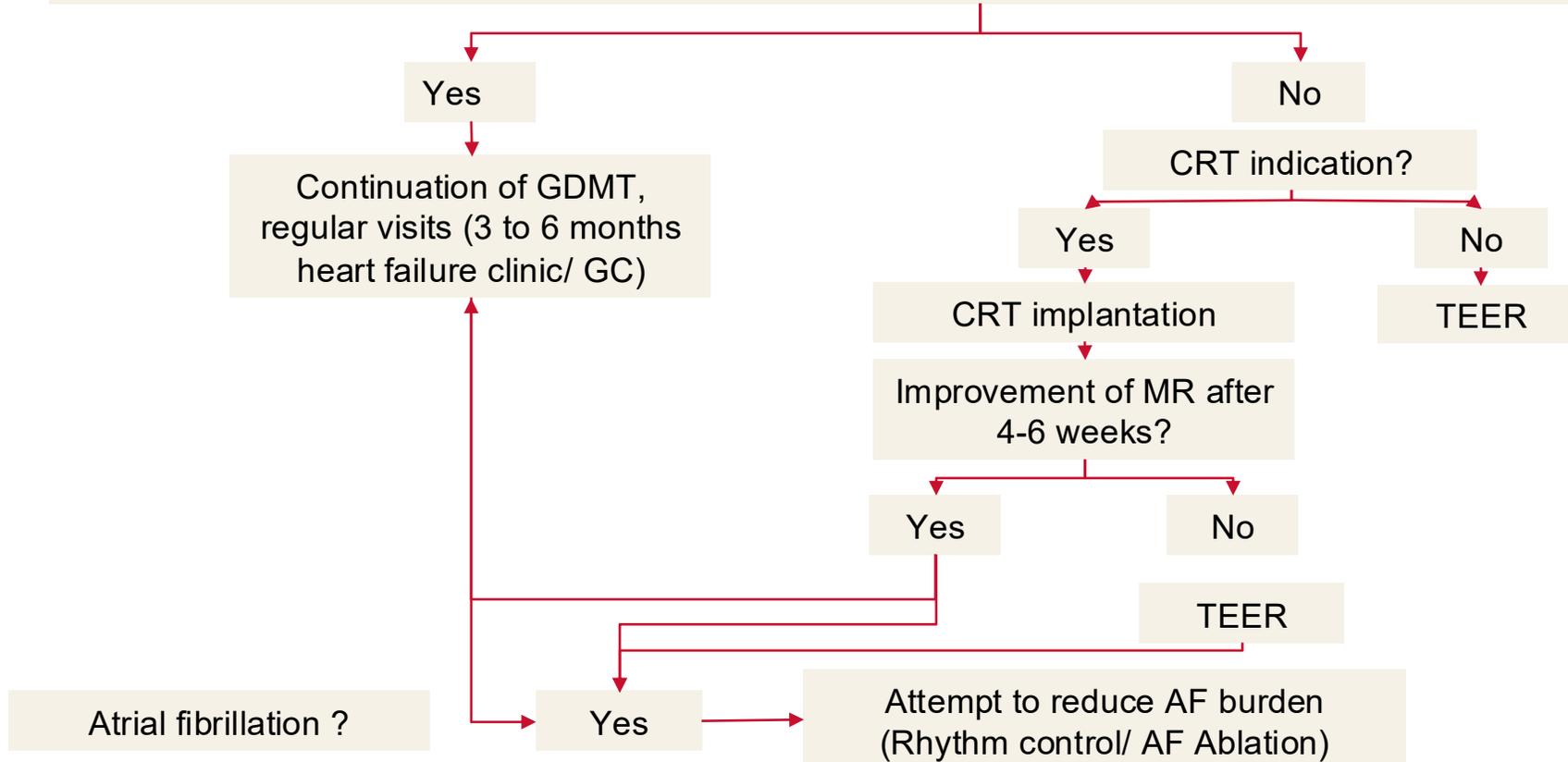
# Tübinger Algorithmus, sekundäre MI

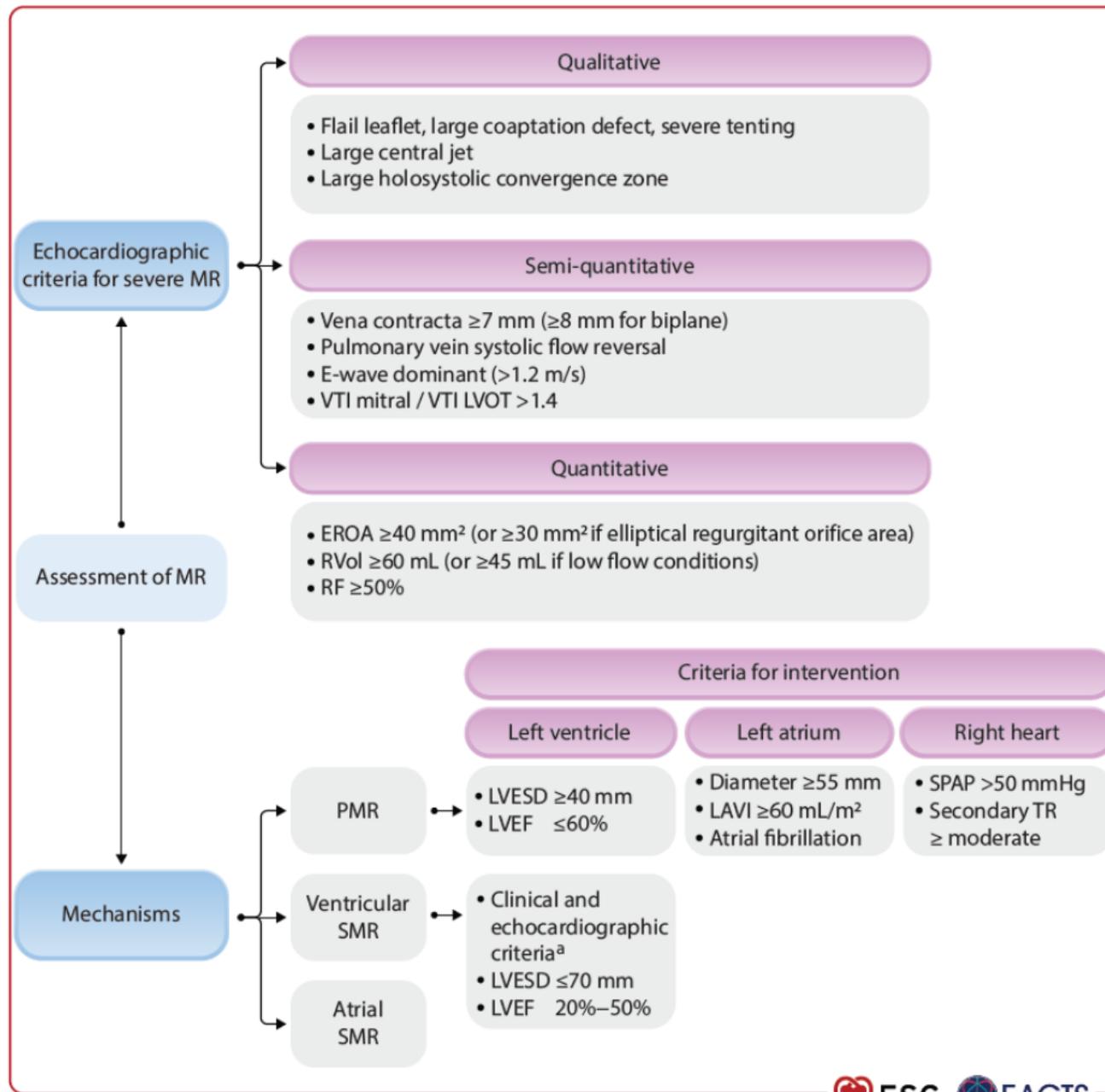
## Decompensation, HFrEF, Severe Secondary MR

Optimization of GDMT (SGLT2 inhibitor, Beta-Blocker, ARNI +/- MRA)

Follow-Up after 4 weeks, heart failure out patient clinic / heart failure nurse, uptitration of HF medication

Follow-Up after 2-4 weeks, up-titration successful and/or residual MR  $\leq 2$  ?





## Clinical and echocardiographic criteria predicting outcome improvement in patients with severe ventricular secondary mitral regurgitation undergoing mitral transcatheter edge-to-edge repair

Anatomy deemed suitable for M-TEER

NYHA class  $\geq$  II

LVEF 20%–50%

LVESD  $\leq$  70 mm

At least one HF hospitalization within the previous year or increased natriuretic peptide levels (BNP  $\geq$  300 pg/mL or NT-proBNP  $\geq$  1000 pg/mL)

SPAP  $\leq$  70 mmHg

No severe RV dysfunction

No Stage D or advanced HF

No CAD requiring revascularization

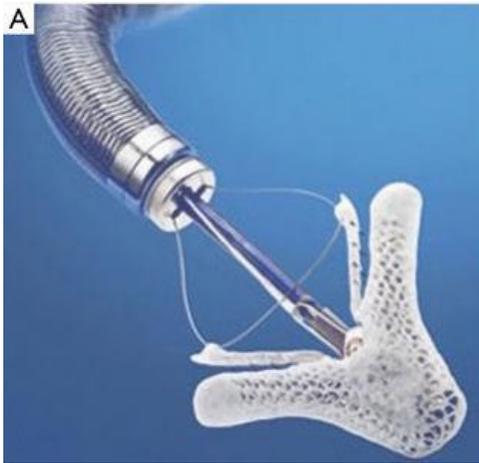
No severe AV and/or TV disease

No hypertrophic, restrictive, or infiltrative cardiomyopathies



# Perkutane Mitralklappenrekonstruktion – verschiedene Optionen

Edge-to-Edge MitraClip® (Abbot)

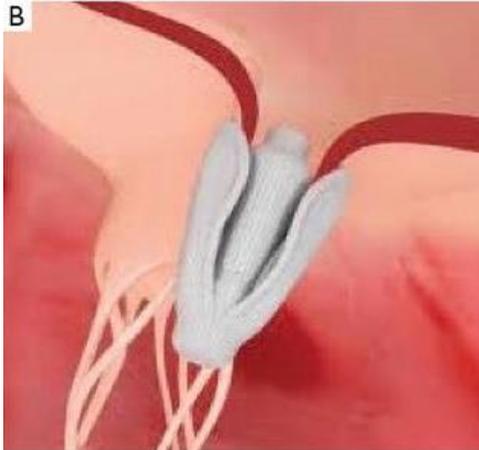
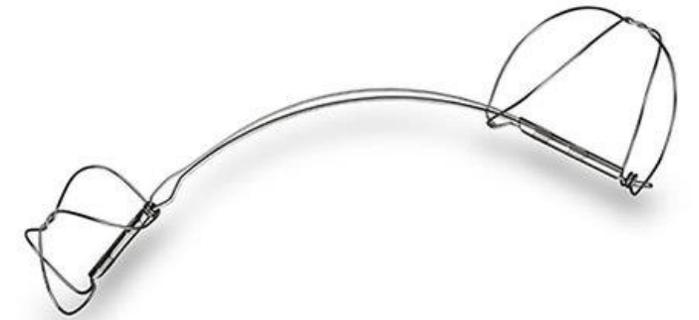


Edge-to-Spacer Pascal® (Edwards)

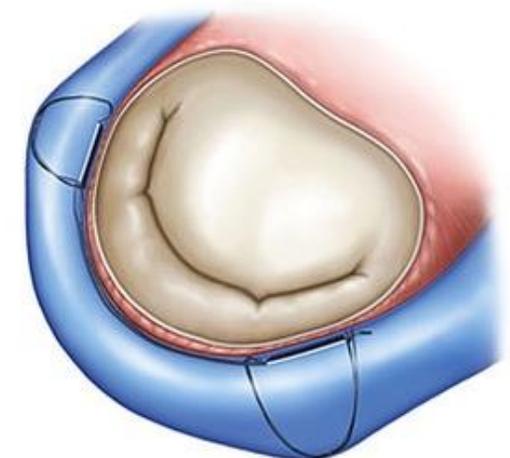


Interventionelle Mitralklappen-Annuloplastie (Carillon®, Cardiac Dimensions)

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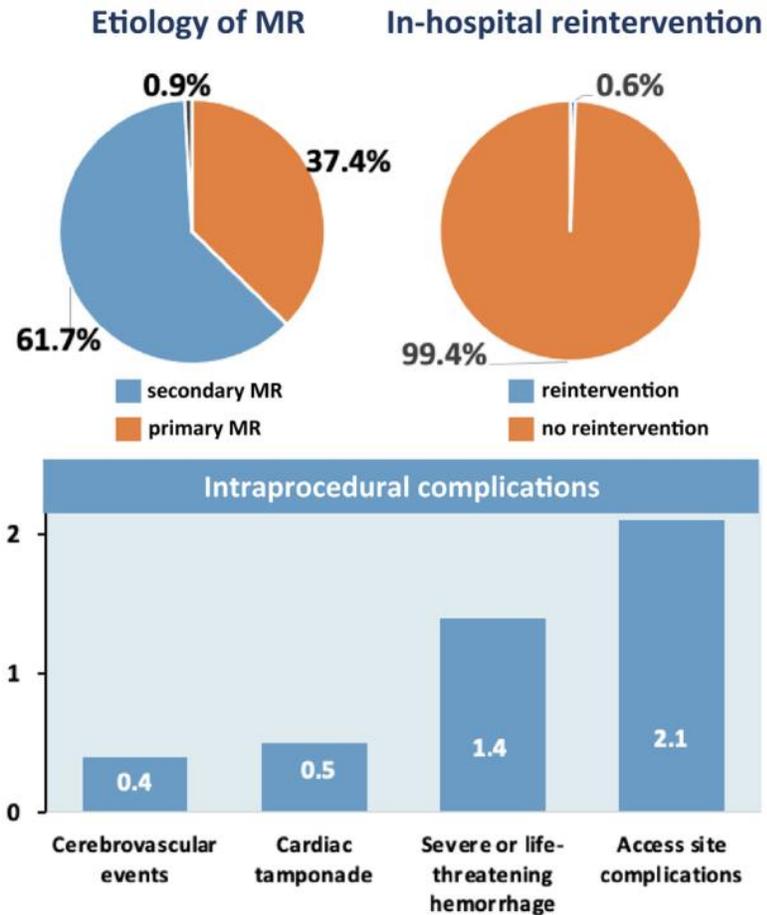


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# Contemporary Safety Outcomes of Mitral Edge-to-Edge Repair in Germany

IQTiG registry Germany  
legally mandated quality assurance registry  
2020 - 2021



8,454 patients  
184 hospitals  
Mitraclip™ approved in 2009  
PASCAL approved in 2019  
PASCAL Ace approved in 2020  
all approved for primary and secondary MR in high surgical risk patients

mean age 78.3 ± 7.9 years  
48% female patients  
Creatinine 1.4±1.1 mg/dL  
21% pulmonary disease  
25% previous cardiac surgery  
70% atrial fibrillation  
45% coronary artery disease

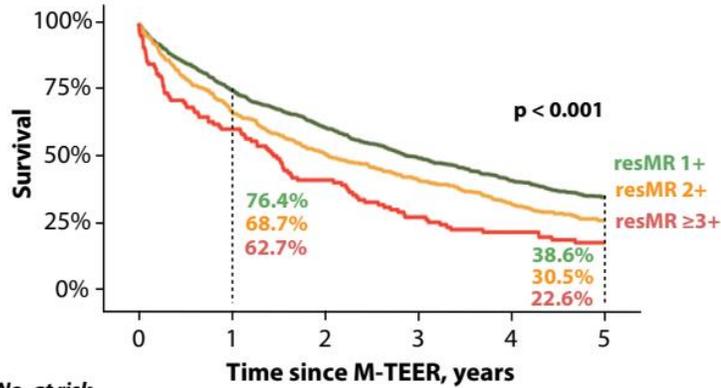
90.3% NYHA III/IV  
LVEF 45.3±13.7%  
sPAP 48.1±18.9 mmHg

IQTiG = Institute for Quality Assurance and Transparency in Healthcare; LVEF = left ventricular ejection fraction; MR = mitral regurgitation; sPAP = systolic pulmonary artery pressure.

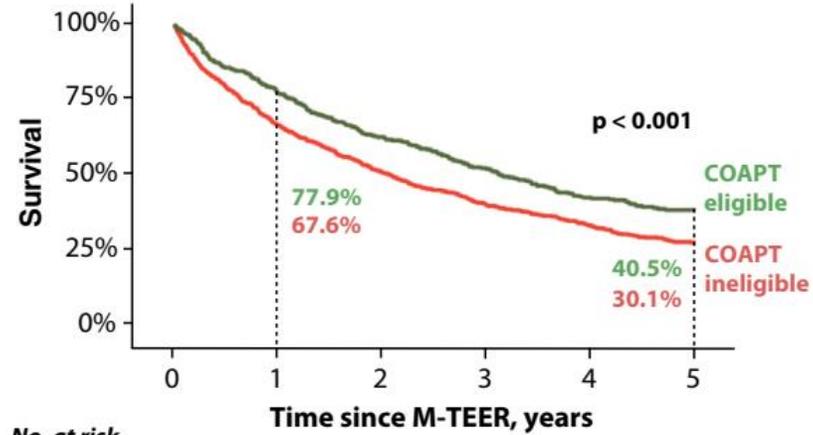


# Bedeutung des prozeduralen Ergebnisses und der Nachbehandlung nach M-TEER

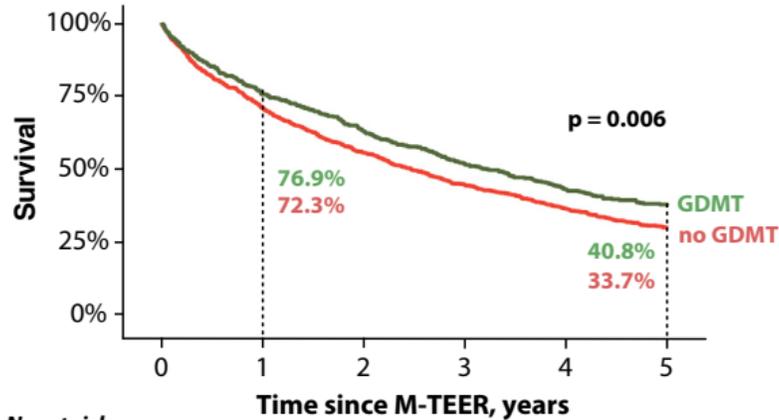
EuroSMR Register 1628 Patienten 5 Jahres Follow-Up



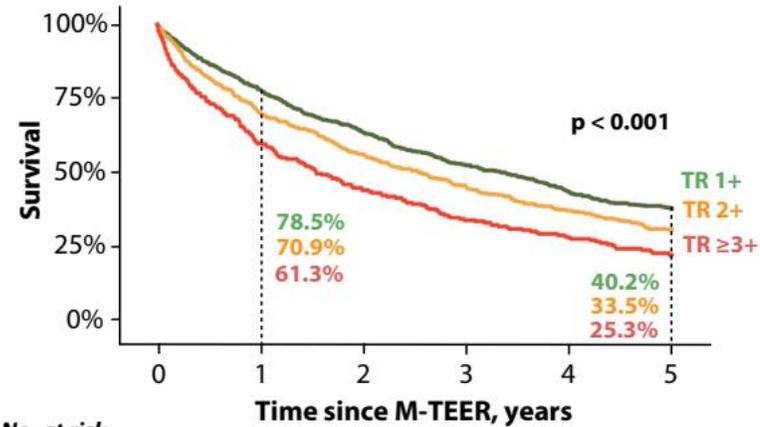
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resMR 1+	999	734	598	496	421	274
resMR 2+	492	328	250	204	166	105
resMR $\geq 3+$	125	73	52	36	30	20



No. at risk	0	1	2	3	4	5
COAPT eligible	217	158	133	112	92	60
COAPT ineligible	1044	775	616	505	434	279



No. at risk	0	1	2	3	4	5
GDMT	967	697	545	444	372	231
no GDMT	470	359	301	249	212	153



No. at risk	0	1	2	3	4	5
TR 1+	687	522	423	352	295	188
TR 2+	608	417	333	270	228	155
TR $\geq 3+$	277	159	117	91	77	46



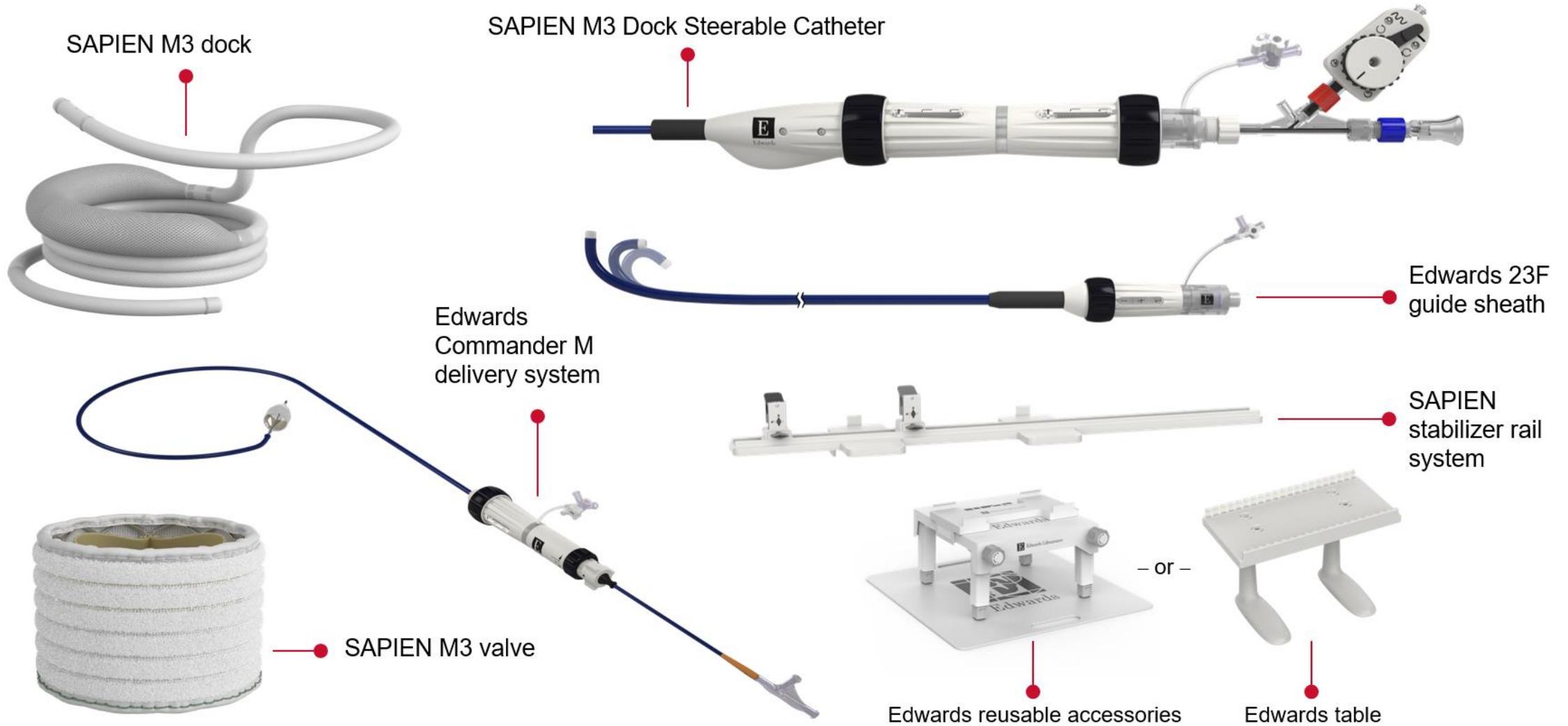
# Anatomische Eignung für TEER

Repair!			Red Zone Anatomy
Anatomical suitability for M-TEER			
Non-complex Ideal for M-TEER	Complex Suitable for M-TEER	Very complex Challenging for M-TEER	Replacement?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Central pathology</li> <li>- No calcification</li> <li>- MVA &gt;4.0 cm<sup>2</sup></li> <li>- Posterior leaflet &gt;10 mm</li> <li>- Tenting height &lt;10 mm</li> <li>- Flail gap &lt;10 mm</li> <li>- Flail width &lt;15 mm</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Isolated commissural lesion (A1/P1 or A3/P3)</li> <li>- Annular calcification without leaflet involvement</li> <li>- MVA 3.5-4.0 cm<sup>2</sup></li> <li>- Posterior leaflet length 7-10 mm</li> <li>- Tenting height &gt;10 mm</li> <li>- Asymmetric tethering<sup>26</sup></li> <li>- Coaptation reserve &lt;3 mm<sup>24</sup></li> <li>- Leaflet-to-anulus index &lt;1.2<sup>25</sup></li> <li>- Flail width &gt;15 mm</li> <li>- Flail gap &gt;10 mm</li> <li>- Two jets from leaflet indentations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Commissural lesion with multiple jets</li> <li>- Annular calcification with leaflet involvement</li> <li>- Fibrotic leaflets</li> <li>- Wide jet involving the whole coaptation</li> <li>- MVA 3.0-3.5 cm<sup>2</sup></li> <li>- Posterior leaflet length 5-7 mm</li> <li>- Barlow's disease</li> <li>- Cleft</li> <li>- Failed surgical annuloplasty</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Concentric MAC with stenosis</li> <li>- MVA &lt;3.0 cm<sup>2</sup></li> <li>- Relevant mitral valve stenosis (mean gradient &gt;5 mmHg)</li> <li>- Posterior leaflet &lt;5 mm</li> <li>- Calcification in the grasping zone</li> <li>- Deep regurgitant cleft</li> <li>- Leaflet perforation</li> <li>- Multiple/wide jets</li> <li>- Rheumatic mitral stenosis</li> </ul>

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# SAPIEN M3 System

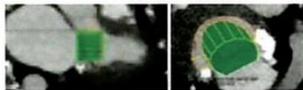


## Common Reasons for Screen Failure

### Anatomical suitability

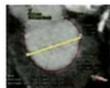
#### Significant risk of LVOT obstruction

- Neo-LVOT < 150 mm<sup>2</sup> measured in end-systole is an automatic screen fail



#### Large commissure-to-commissure diameters

- Com-to-com measurement ≥ 50 mm is an automatic screen fail



#### Small LV diameters 1 cm below the annulus

- < 30 mm is an automatic screen fail



#### Commissural pathology (i.e., calcification, jets, prolapse, flail)

- Flail located at medial commissure is an automatic screen fail
- Flail located at P3 is a screen fail if the com-to-com is ≥ 42 mm



### Exclusion criteria within the ENCIRCLE clinical trial



- MR < 3+
- EF < 25%
- LVEDD ≥ 75 mm
- Severe RV dysfunction

## Ideal First SAPIEN M3 Patient Selection



### Recommended **FIRST** cases for M3 implant patients



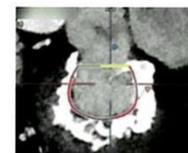
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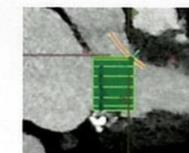
Annular size < 45 mm



1 cm below annulus dimensions ≥ 35 mm



No MAC/rings



Suitable Neo-LVOT

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The above parameters are considerations for initial SAPIEN M3 patient selection to allow for familiarization with the devices and implant techniques.



## Patient (70 Jahre)

- Rezidivierende kardiale Dekompensationen bei hochgradiger Mitralklappeninsuffizienz, sowie koronarer 3-Gefäßerkrankung mit leichtgradig eingeschränkter systolischer LV-Funktion
- Intravenöse Rekompensation
- PTCA/1xDES-Implantation der mittleren LCX im Bereich des R. marginalis ('culotte') am 11.06.2025
- Z. n. akutem Hinterwandinfarkt mit einem Akutverschluss der RCX sowie chronischem Verschluss 10/2019, PTCA /2 DES-RCX sowie Rekanalisation RIVA/ 2 DES Segment 6 - 8
- CVRF: Obstruktives Schlafapnoesyndrom, Adipositas, arterielle Hypertonie, Hypercholesterinämie
- Chronische Niereninsuffizienz, aktuell GFR 29 ml/min/1,73m<sup>2</sup>
- Z. n. ED Vorhofflimmern 06/25, Z.n. embolischen Schlaganfällen
- CHADS-VA-Score: 5, OAK mit Apixaban (red. Dosis) + Clopidogrel nach PCI



# Patientenreport

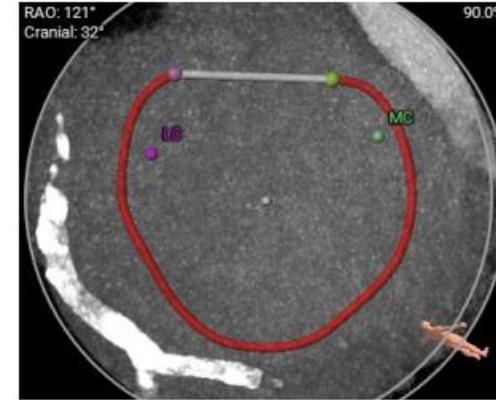


Screening Results: Suitable

Relevant Clinical Hx: MR Severity: Severe / 3+.  
No other info.

Parameter		Comments
C-C (ED)	44.7 mm	-No MC and no Mid P3 prolapse. -Cleft at Med P2 - Lat P3. -MR jet location extending from Med P1 to Lat P3. -?fibrinous strand at Lat P3.
Neo-LVOT (ES)	284.6 mm <sup>2</sup>	
1 cm Below (ES)	55.9 mm	
MAC Score	N/A	
MC Flail or Prolapse?	No	
Mid P3 Flail or Prolapse?	No	

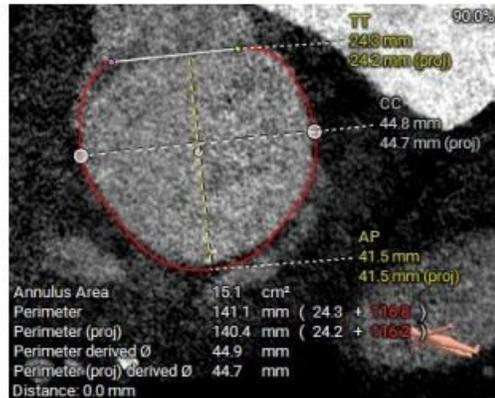
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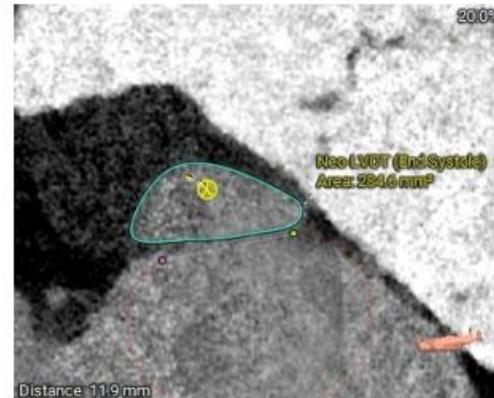
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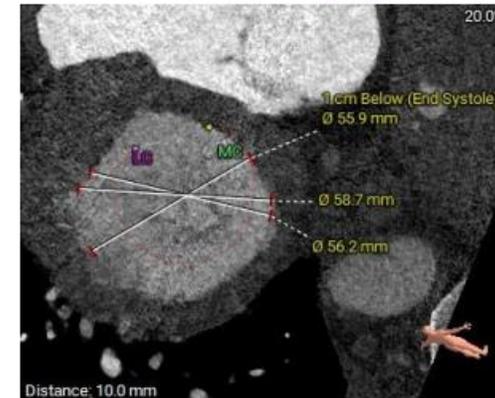
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Neo-LVOT (ES)

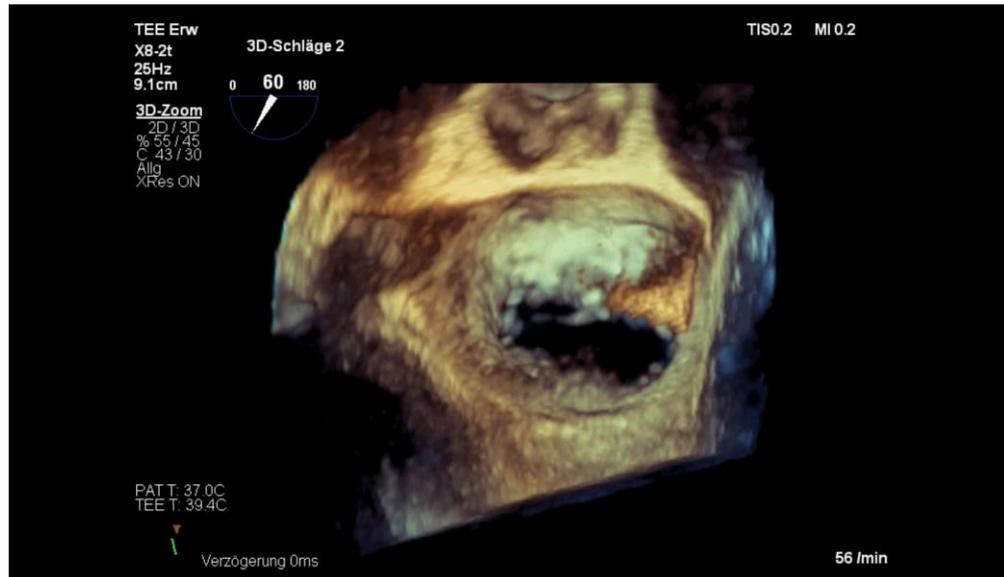
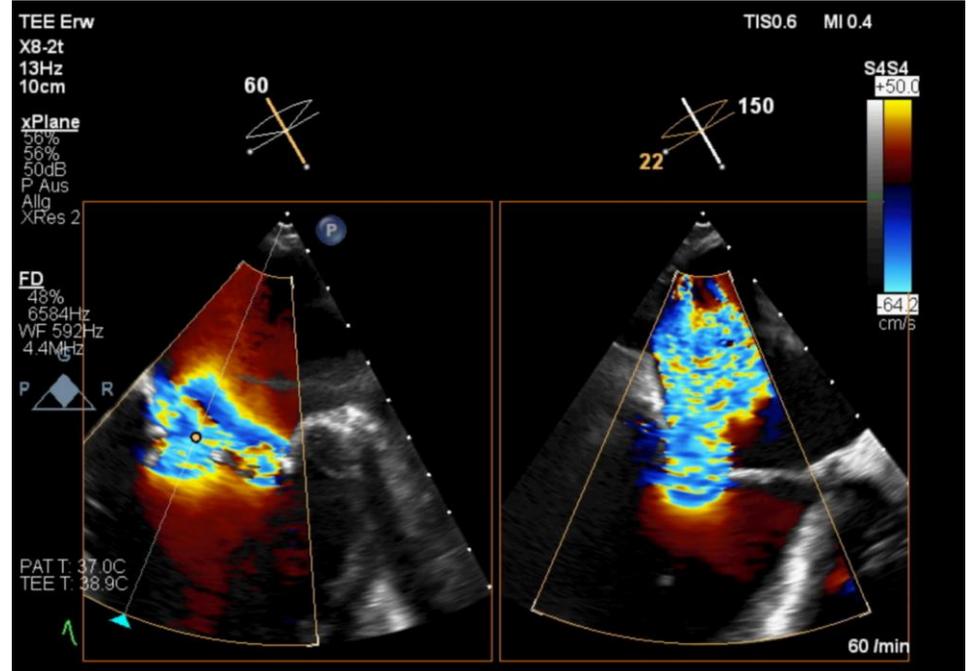
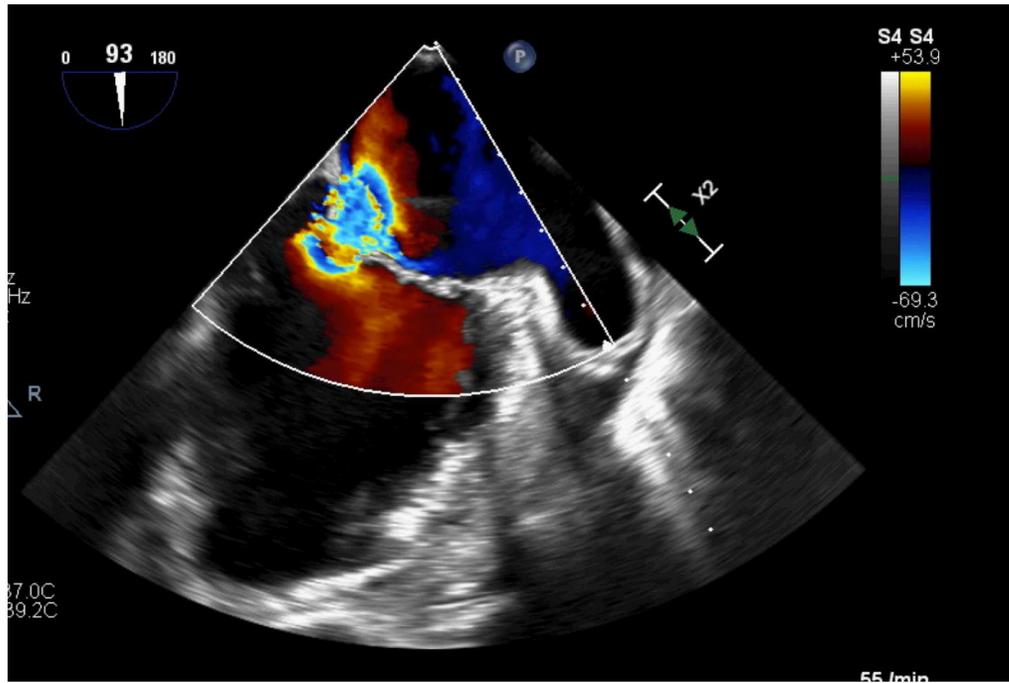


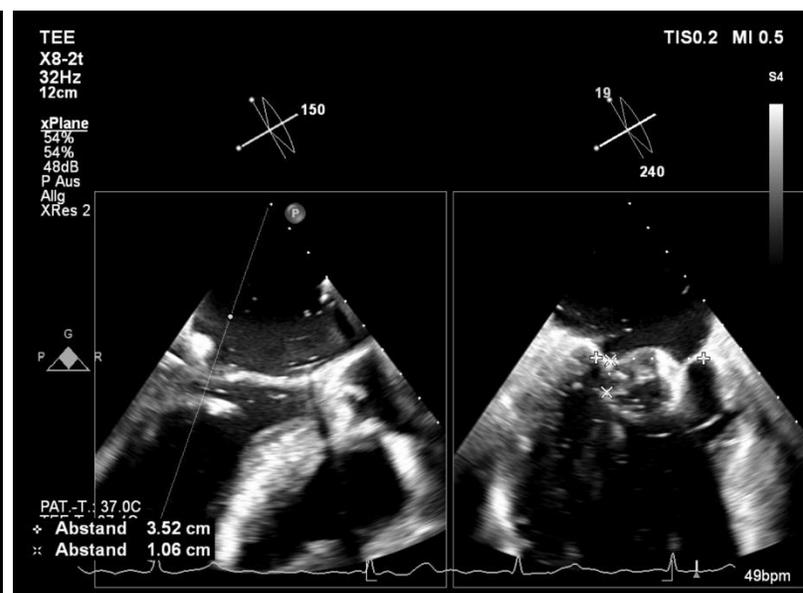
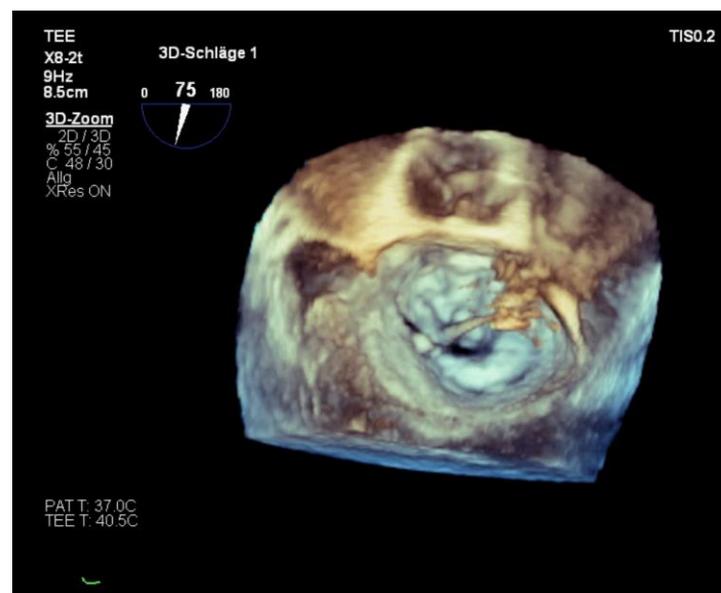
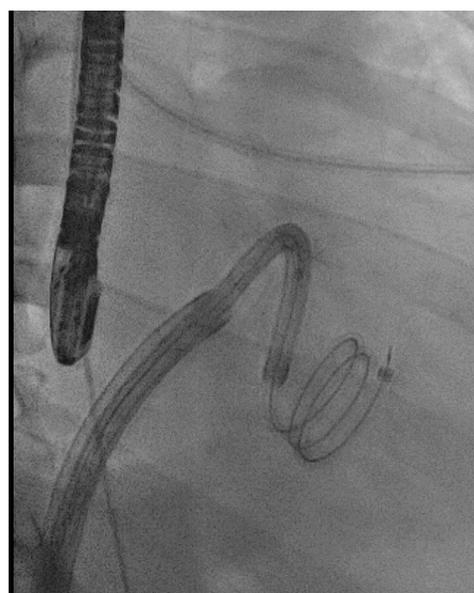
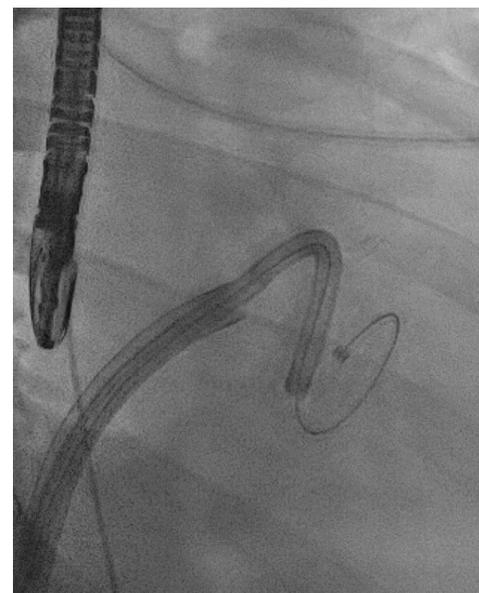
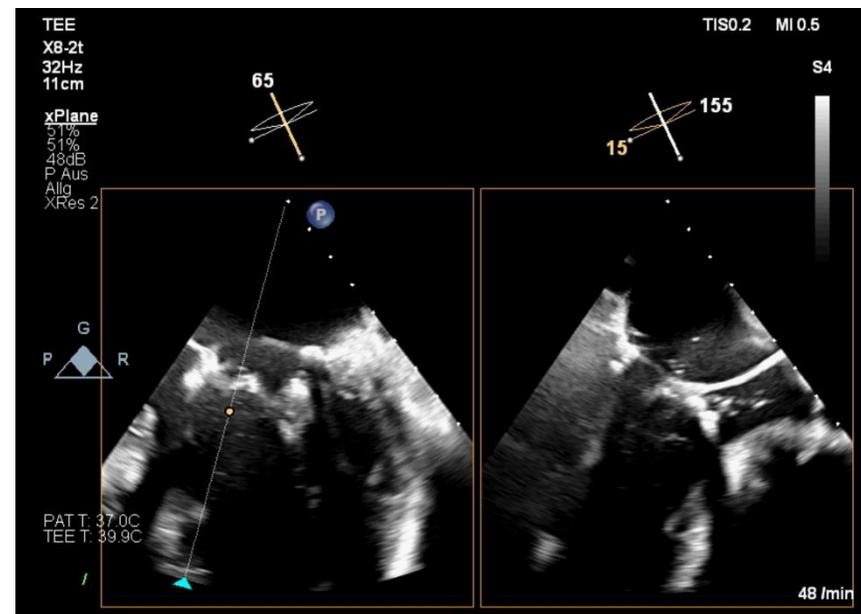
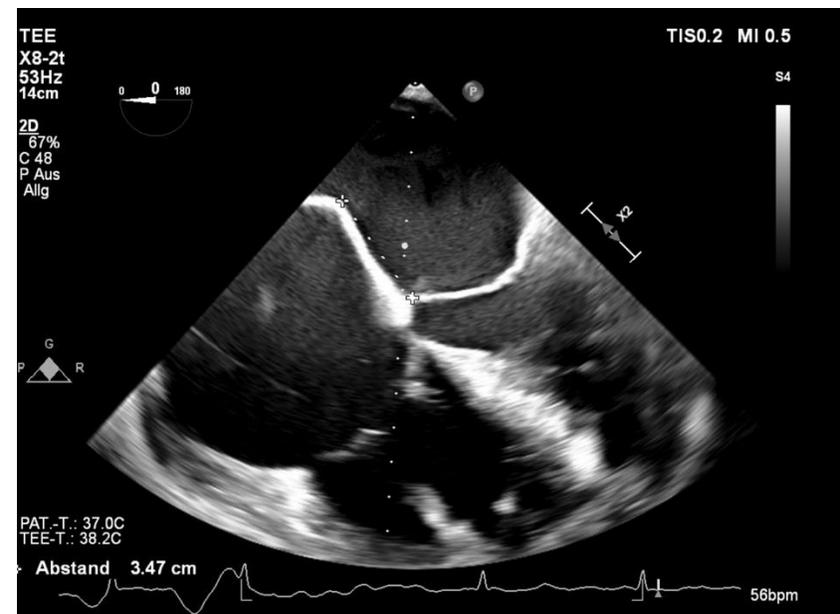
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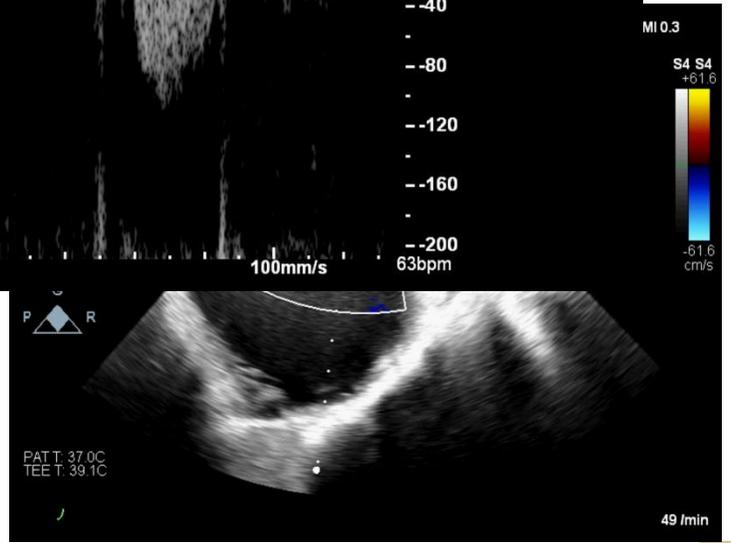
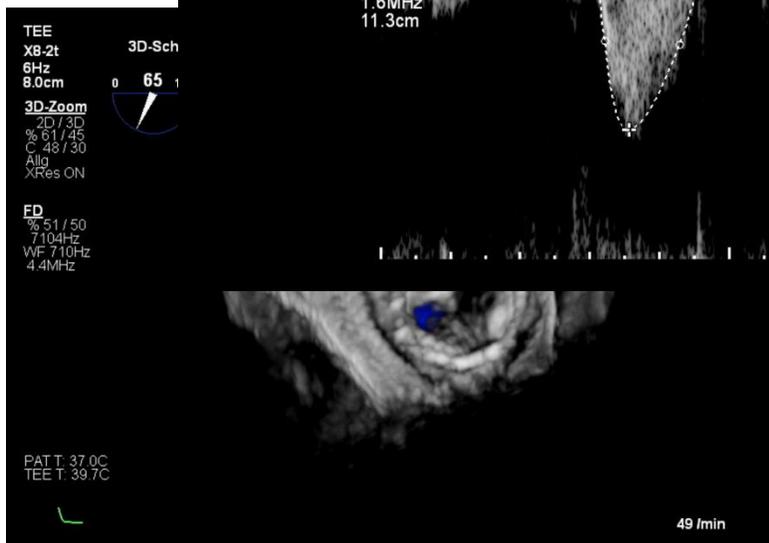
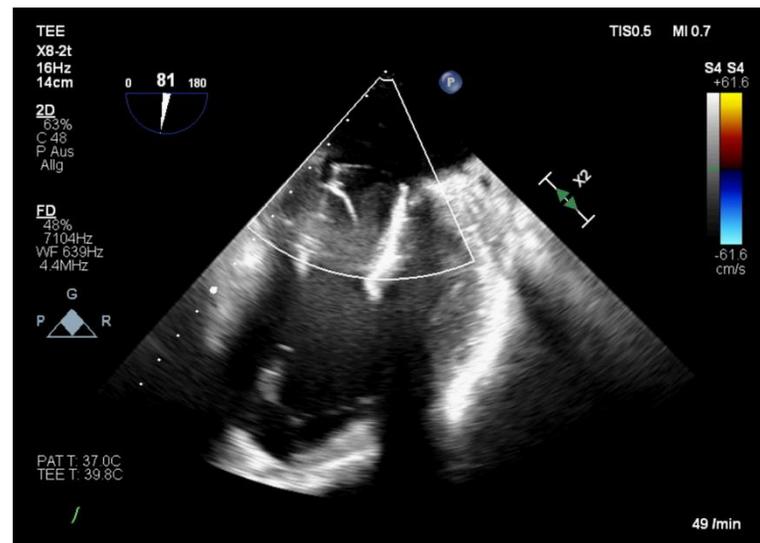
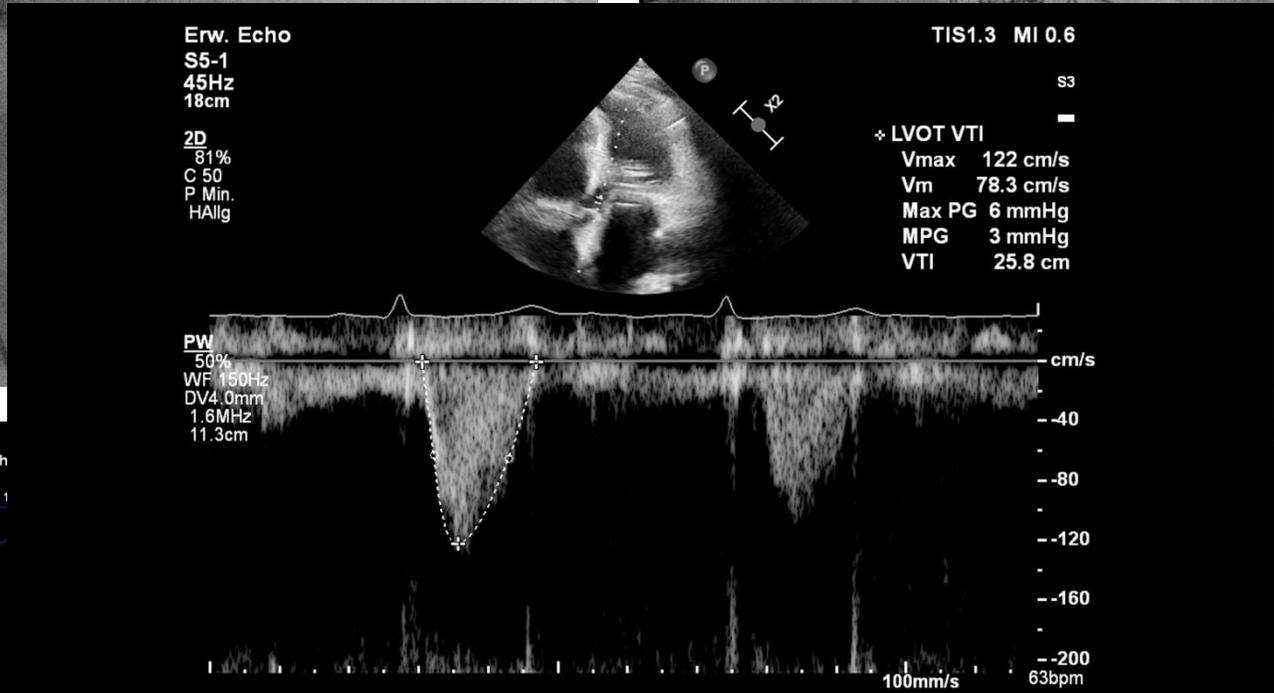
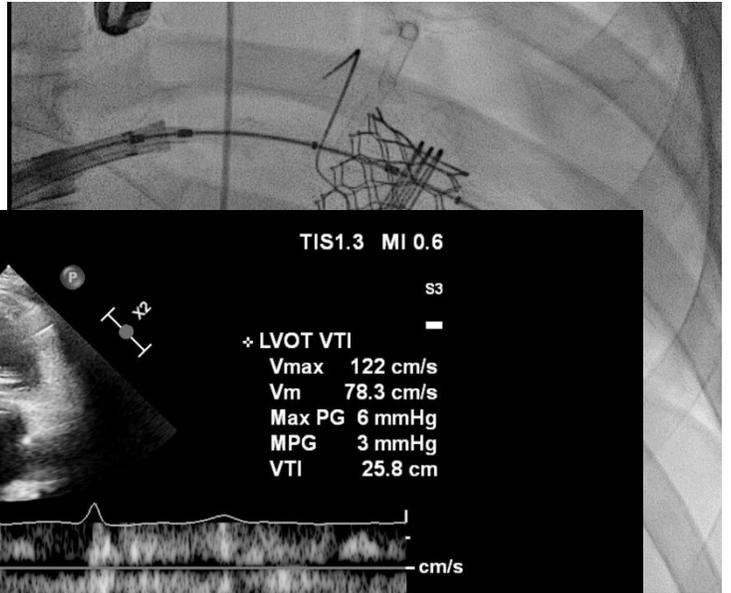
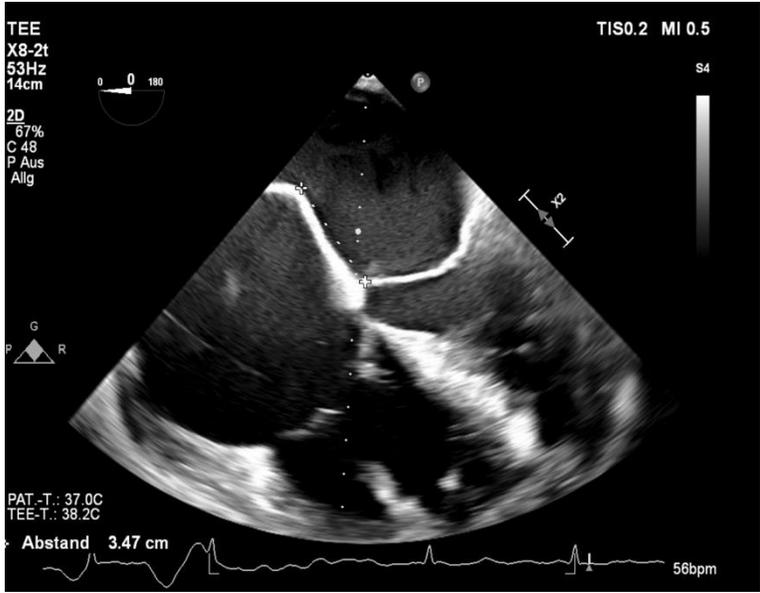


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# 71 jähriger Patient

1. Mitralklappeninsuffizienz III°
  - Z.n. frustranem Versuch der edge-to-edge Therapie (MitralClip NTW), Abbruch wegen hohem Gradienten sowohl zentral als auch lateral (mittlerer Gradient 16mmHg) am 11.03.2025
  - Z.n. Pleuraergüsse bds.
2. Koronare 2-Gefäßerkrankung (LAD; CX) mit normaler systolischer LV-Funktion
  - Z.n. 2-fache Aortokoronare Bypässe mit Anastomosierung der linken A. mammaria auf den R. interventricularis anterior und single Venen Bypass auf den R. marginalis
  - Linksschenkelblock
  - cvRF: arterielle Hypertonie
3. Vormalis hochgradige Aortenklappenstenose
  - Z.n. Biologischer Ersatz der Aortenklappe mit einer 23mm (Edwards Perimount) Prothese
4. intermittierendem AV-Block III° 04/23
  - Z.n. Zweikammerschrittmacher Implantation (Enitra 8 DR-T pro MRI)
5. Ektasie der Aorta ascendens (41 mm)
6. Asthma bronchiale
7. Schlaf-Apnoe-Syndrom mit CPAP-Gerät
8. Rheumatische Erkrankung



TEE Erw

X8-2t  
13Hz  
15cm

xPlane  
60%  
60%  
50dB  
P Aus  
Allg  
XRes 2

FD  
48%  
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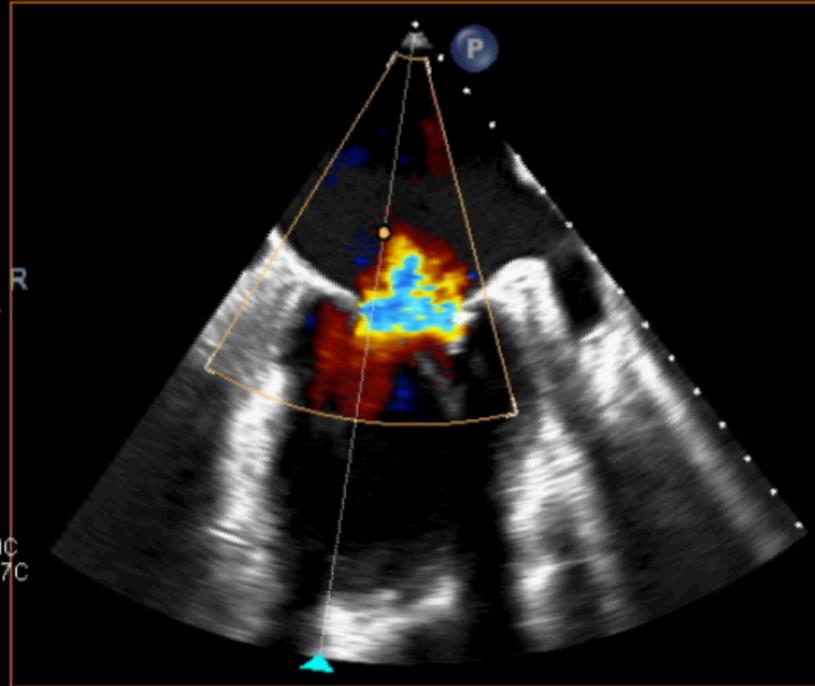


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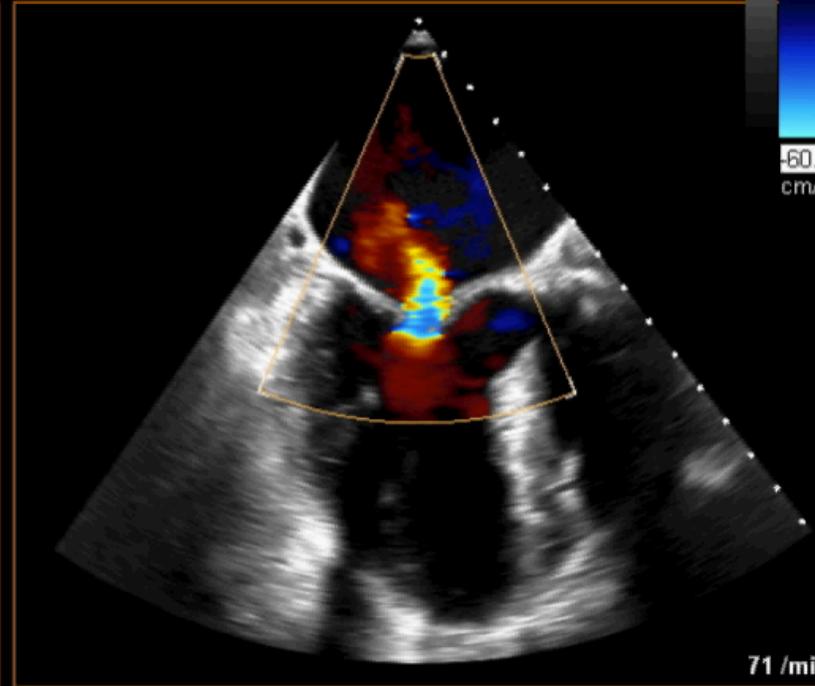
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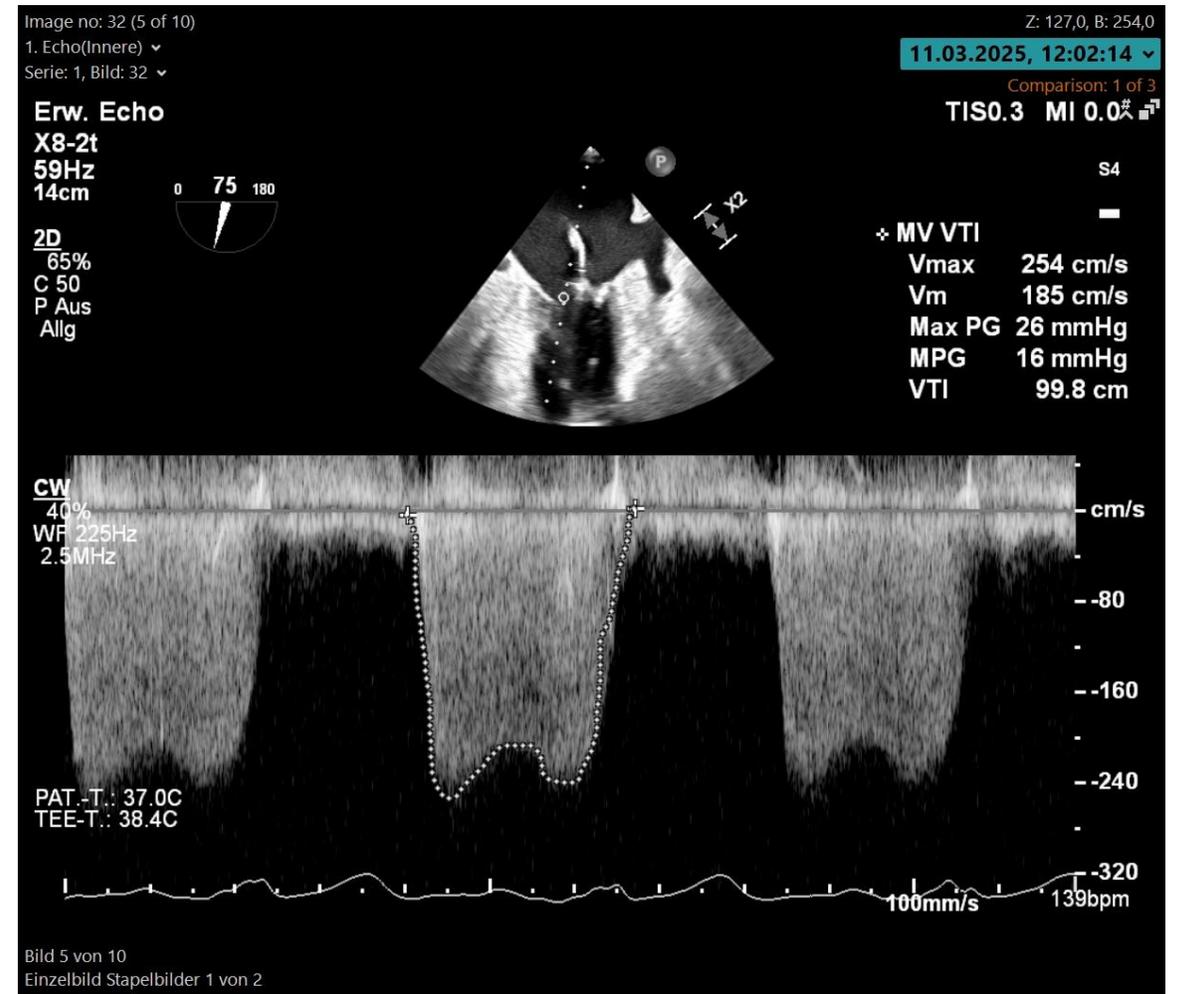
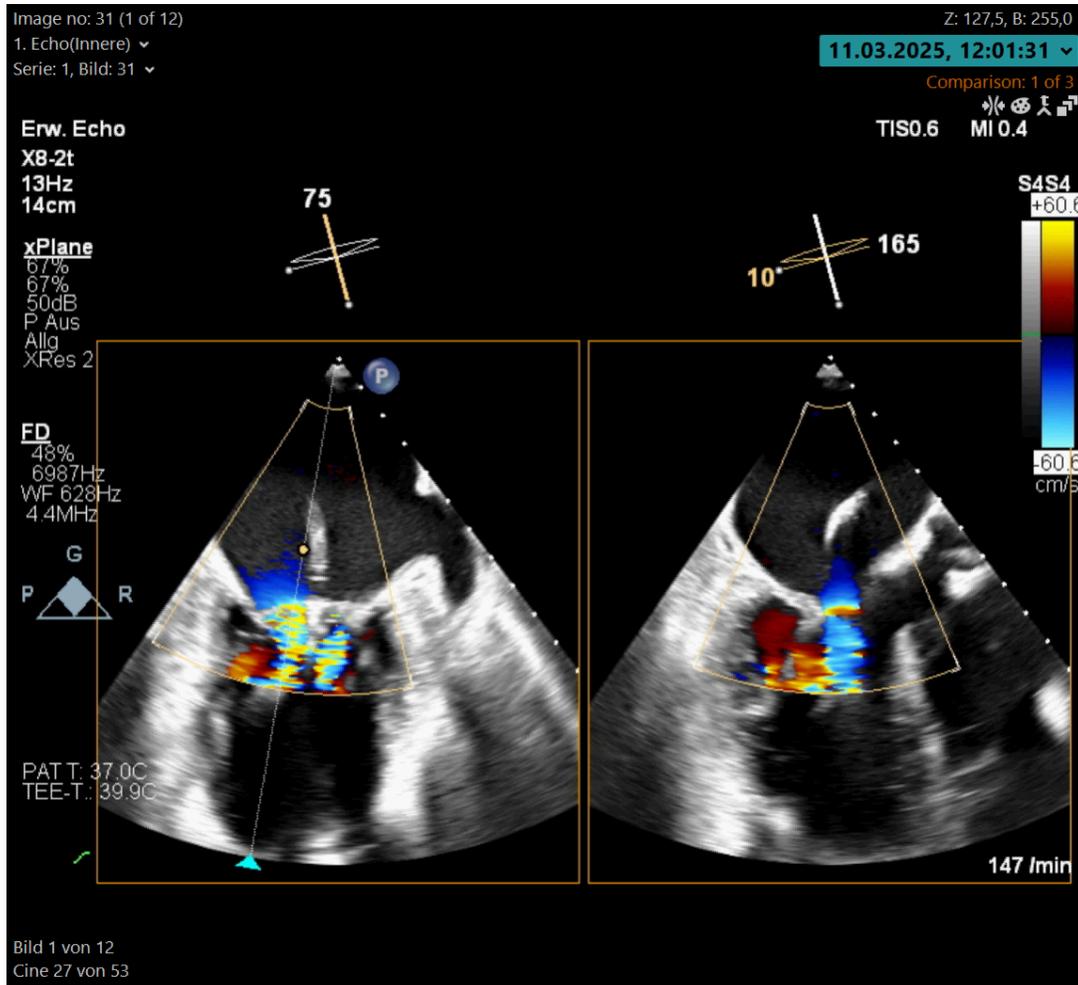
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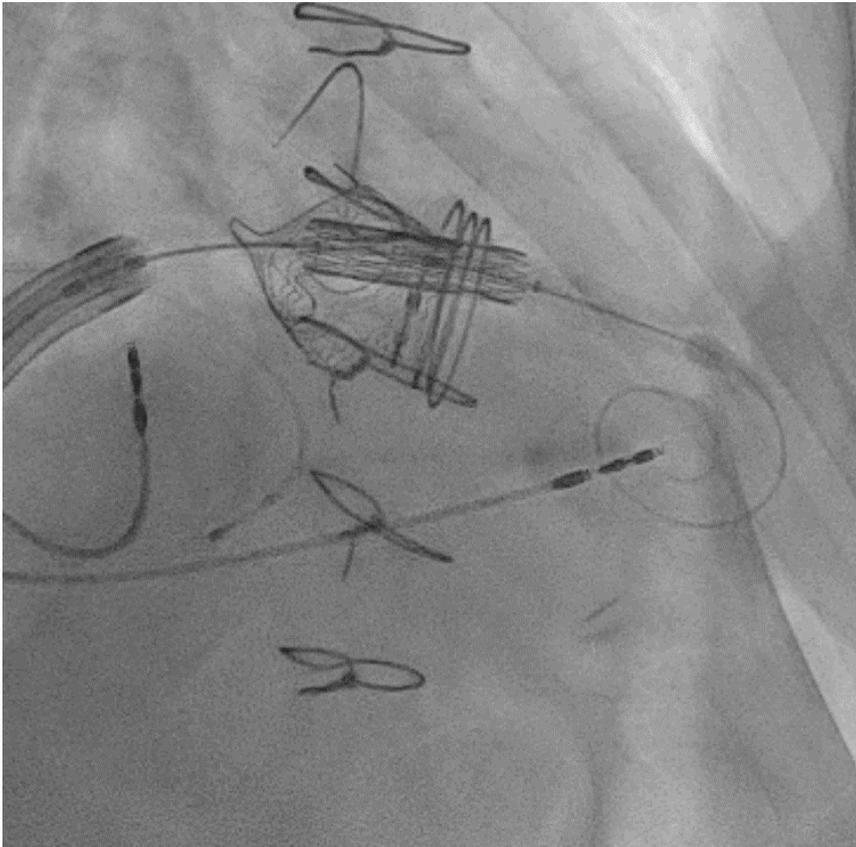


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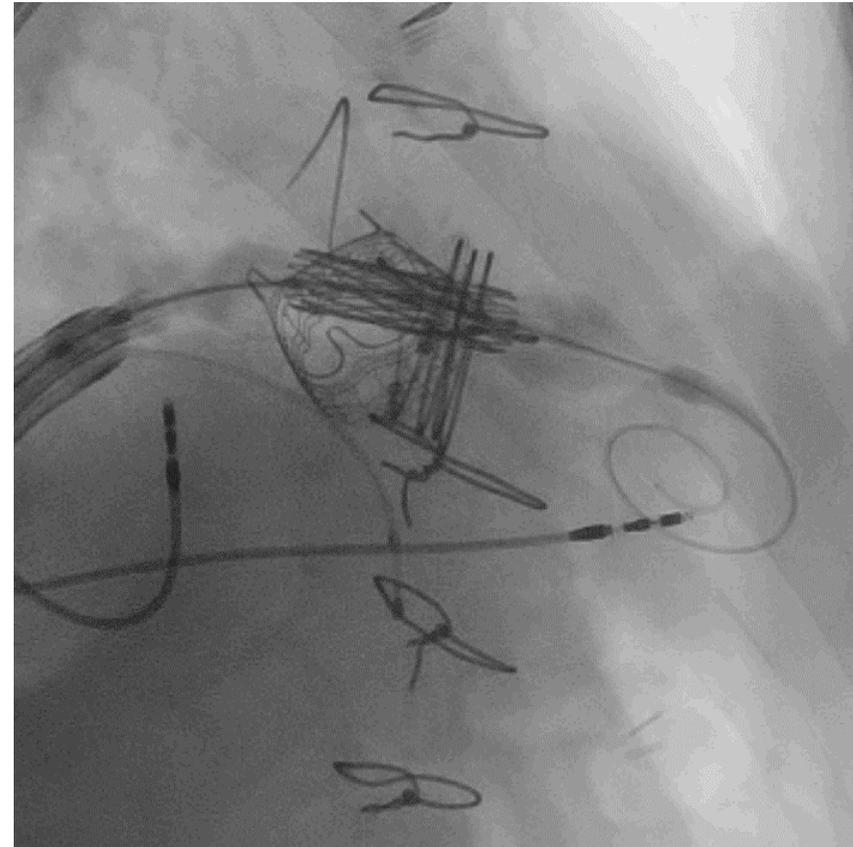


# Valve Delivery

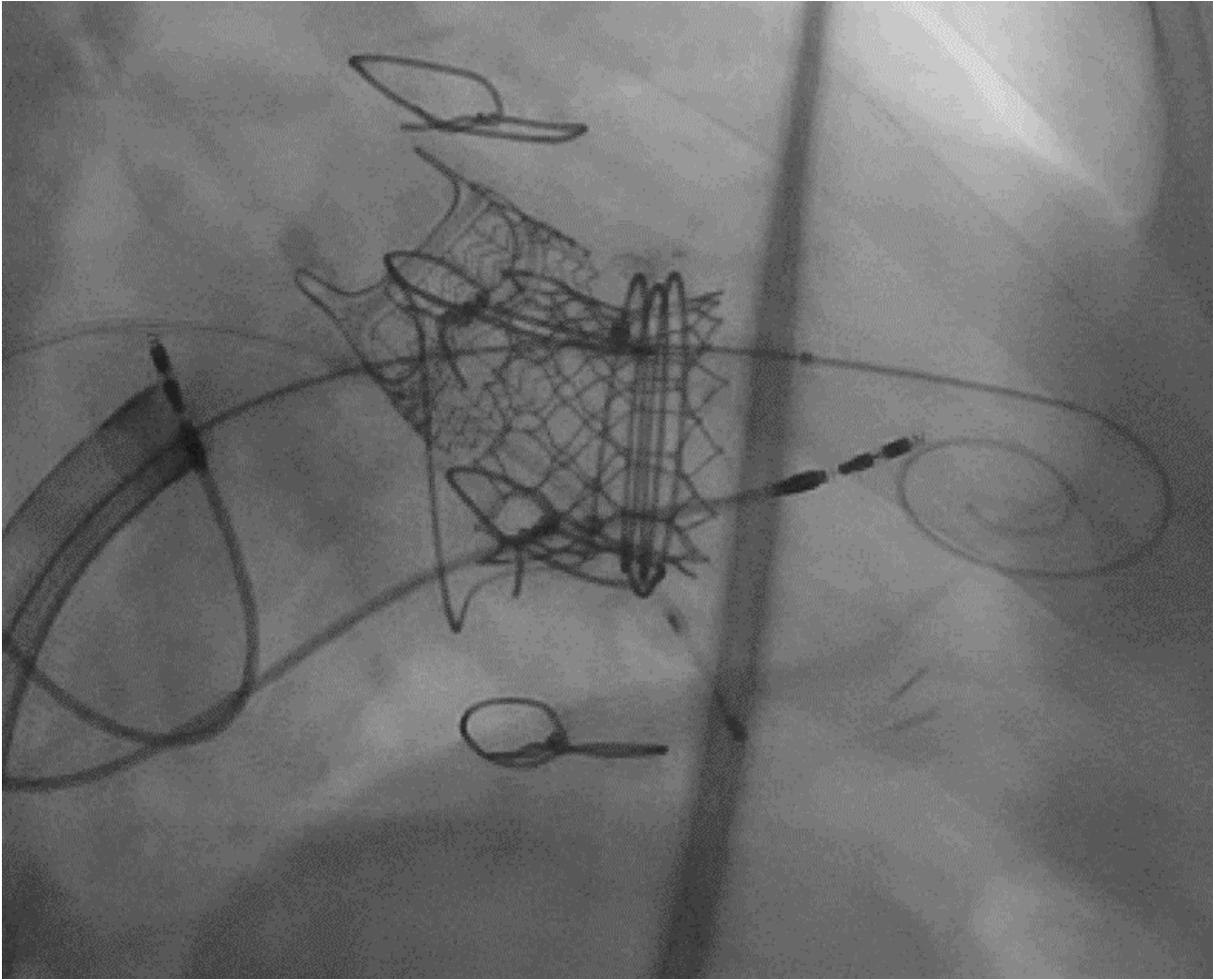
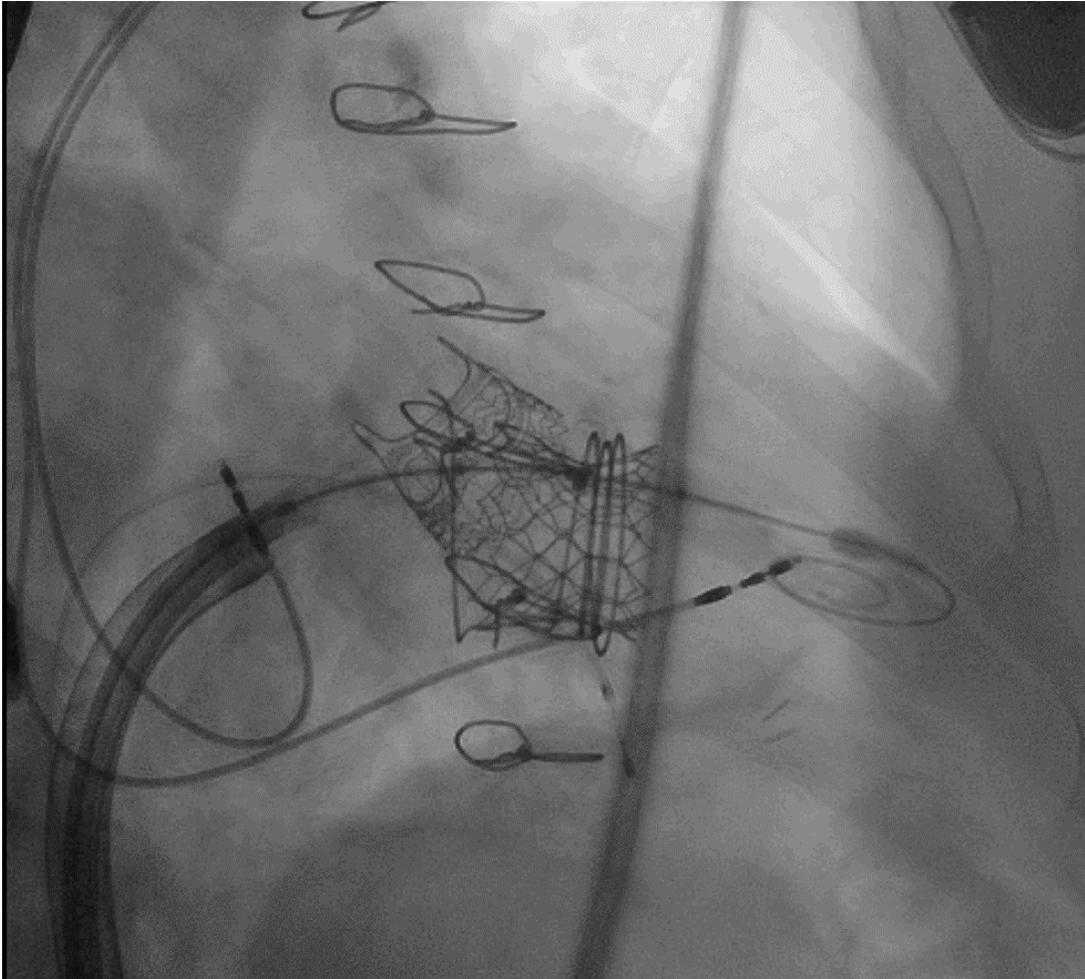
SM3 valve at least 3 mm more ventricular than ventricular most functional turn

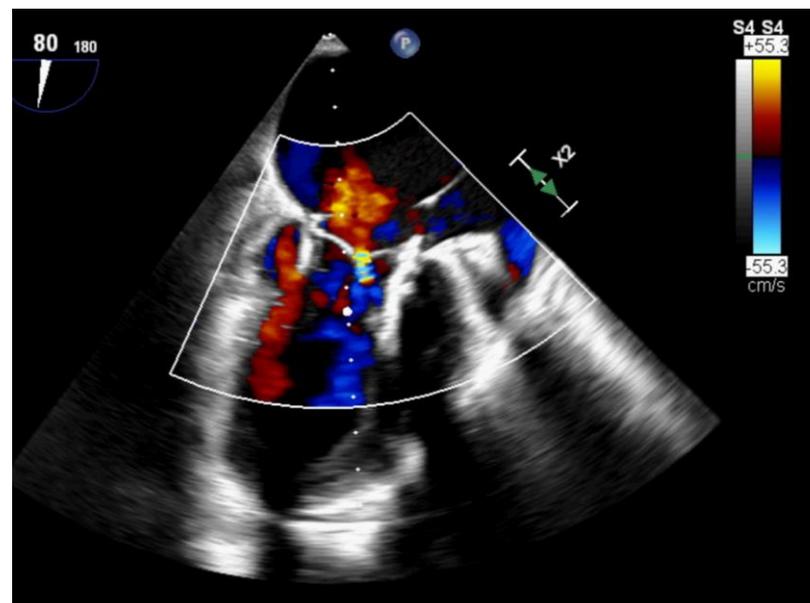
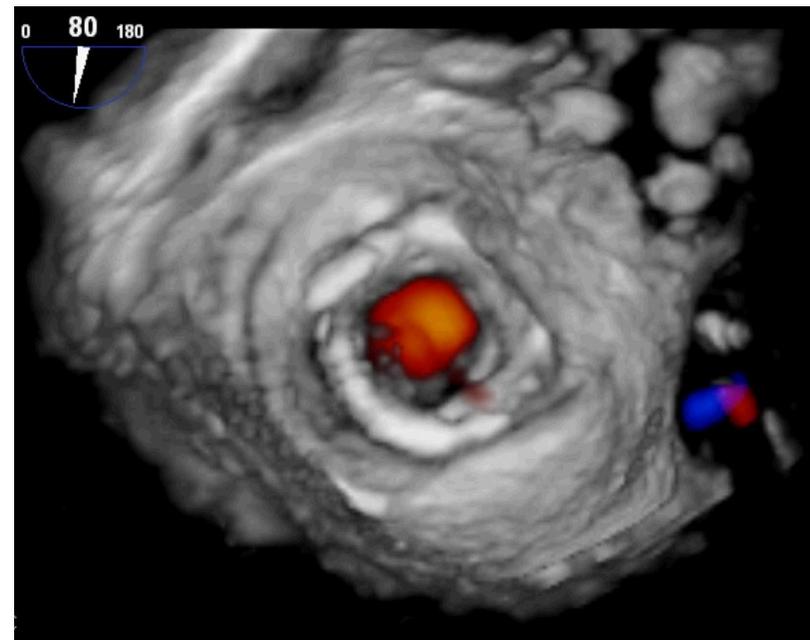
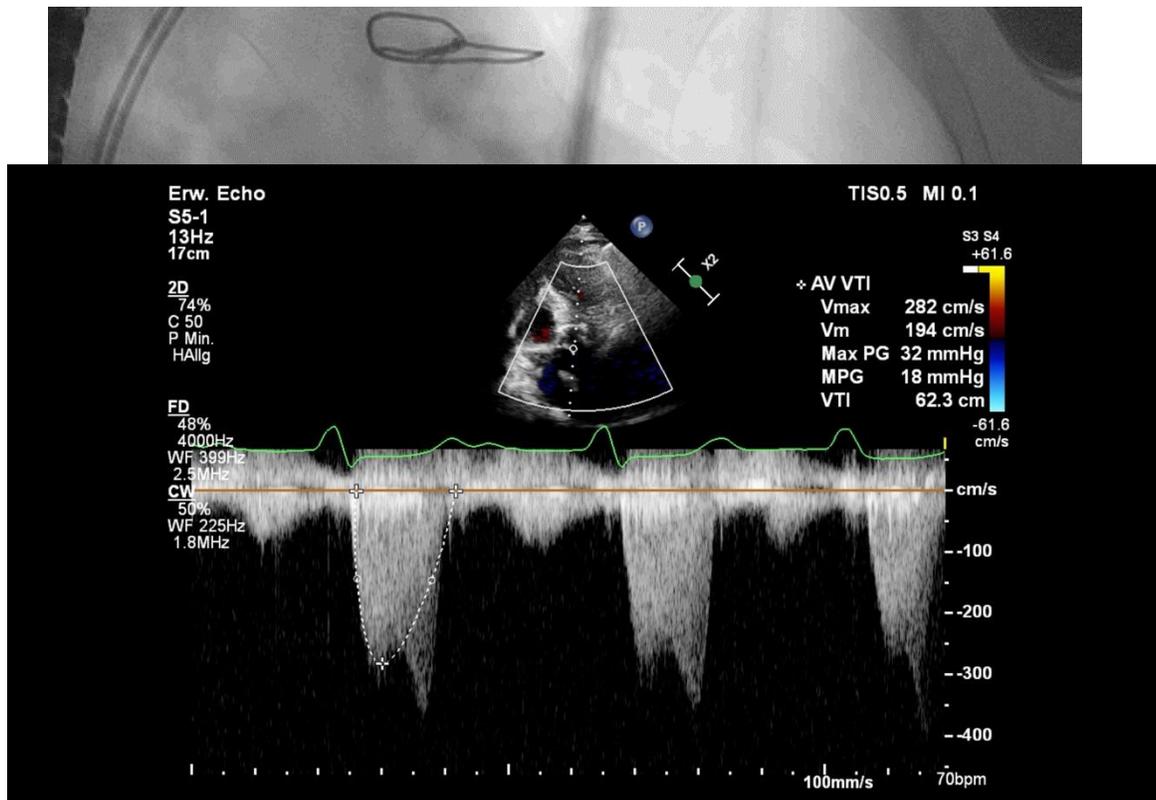


Target final position of 80% atrial / 20% ventricular

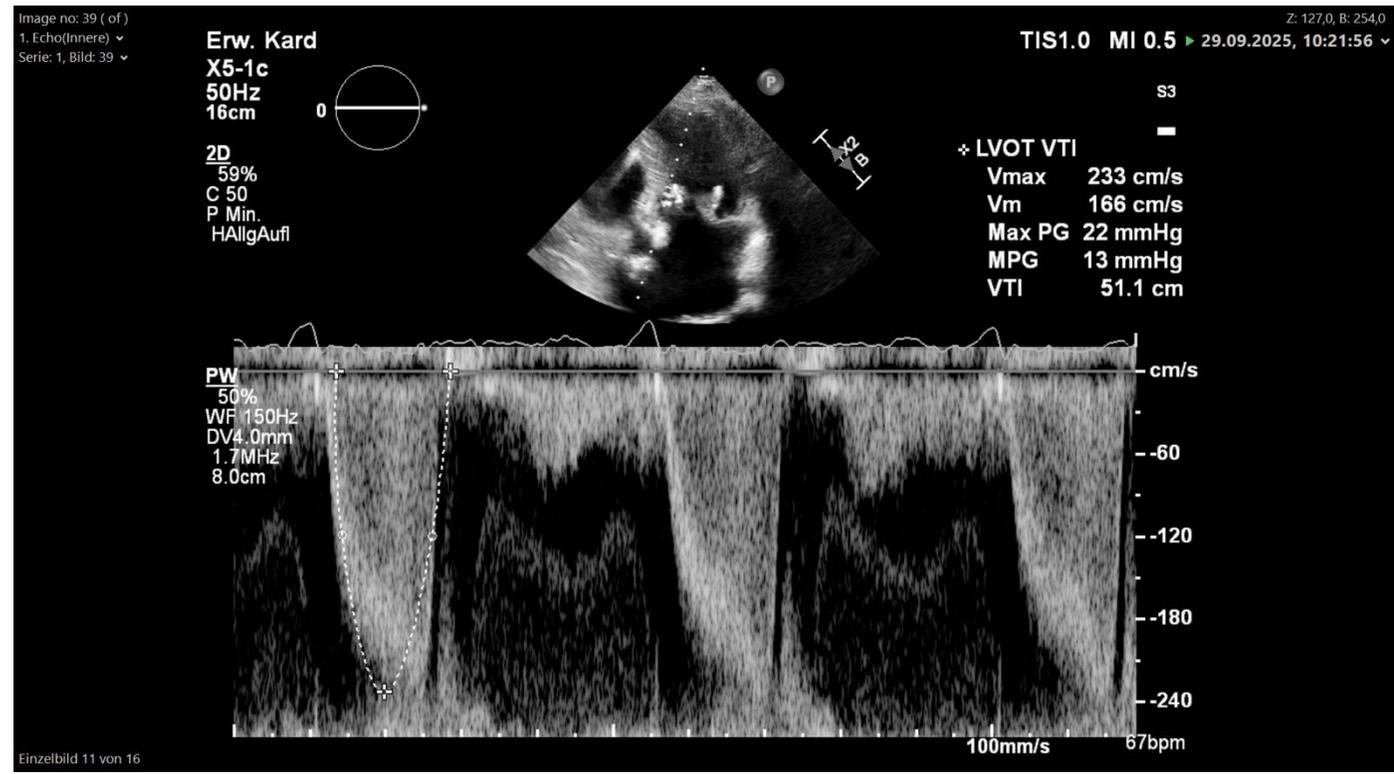
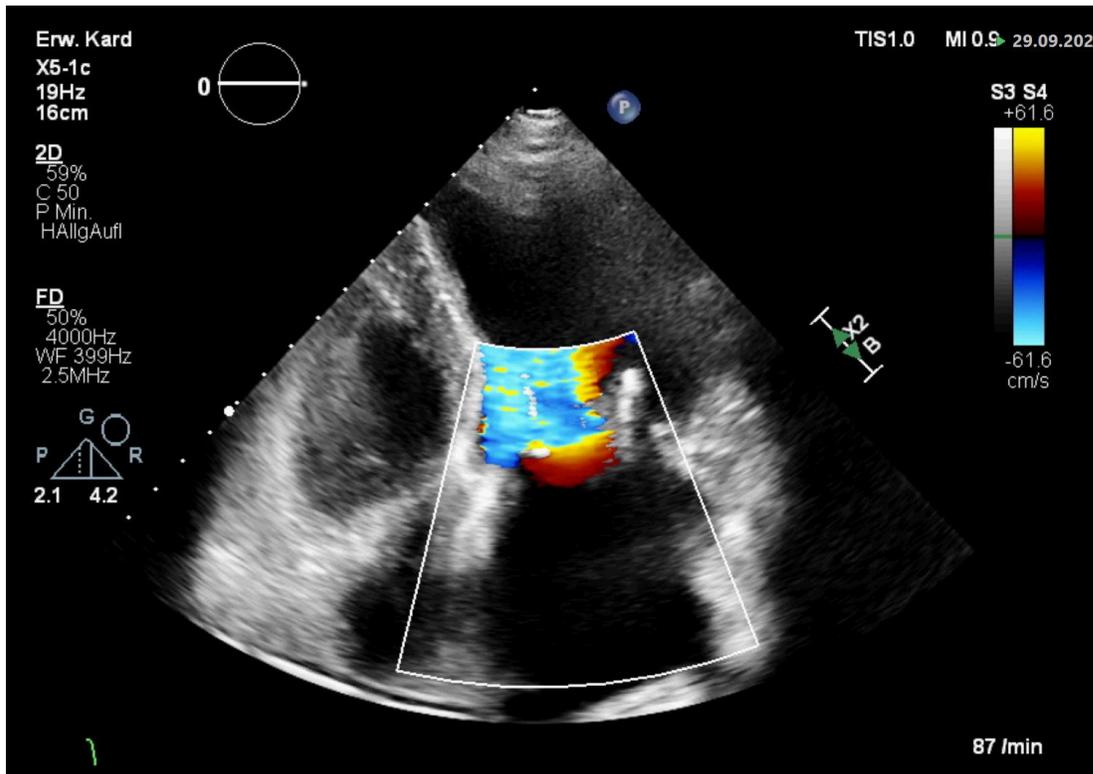


# Valve Delivery - Postdilatation





# Follow-Up 3 Monate



# The ENCIRCLE Trial

**Patients with MR  $\geq$  3+, NYHA Class  $\geq$  II, and  
Unsuitable for Commercial Options as Assessed by Heart Team**

**Commercial Unsuitable  
(n = 300)**

**MAC Registry\*  
(n = 100)**

**Failed TEER Registry  
(n = 100)**

**PRIMARY ENDPOINT:  
Death & HF Rehospitalization at 6 Months**

**Follow-up: 30 Days, 6 Months, 1 Year, and Annually Through 5 Years**

*\*Additional inclusion criteria for MAC registry: moderate MR and  $\geq$  moderate MS*



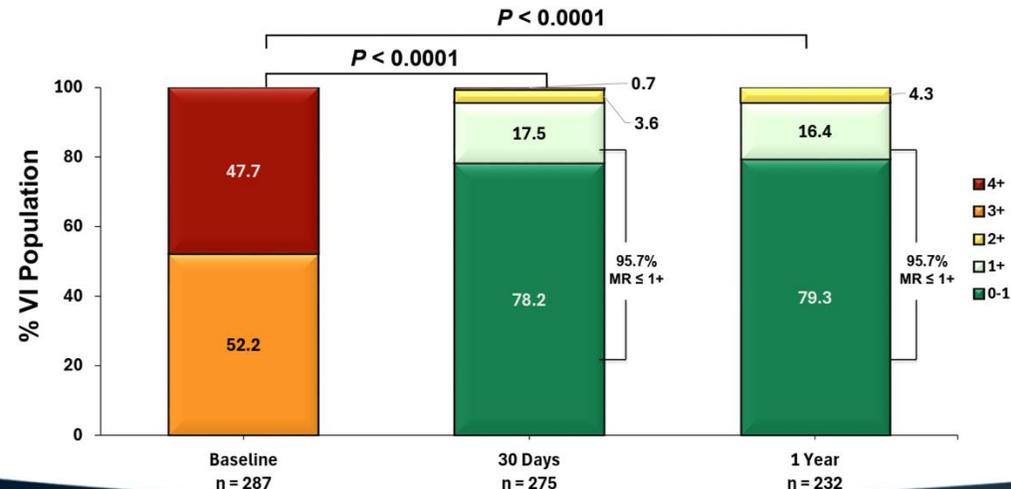
# Baseline Characteristics



Characteristic	N=299	Characteristic	N=299
Age, y	75.5 ± 9.35	Hypertension	84.3%
Male sex	50.8%	Peripheral Vascular Disease	15.1%
BMI, kg/m <sup>2</sup>	27.6 ± 6.08	<b>Congestive Heart Failure</b>	<b>75.3%</b>
<b>STS score for mitral valve replacement</b>	<b>6.6 ± 4.09</b>	<b>Atrial Fibrillation</b>	<b>69.9%</b>
<b>STS score ≥ 8</b>	<b>28.8%</b>	Prior Pacemaker or ICD	35.8%
KCCQ Score	57.0	Prior MI	30.1%
NYHA Class		<b>Prior Stroke or TIA</b>	<b>18.7%</b>
I/II	28.8%	Prior PCI	35.5%
III/IV	<b>71.2%</b>	Prior CABG	30.4%
Diabetes	34.4%	<b>Prior Mitral Repair*</b>	<b>8.7%</b>
eGFR, mL/min/1.73m <sup>2</sup>	58.2 ± 19.16	Prior Aortic Valve Replacement	15.7%
<b>NT-proBNP, pg/mL</b>	<b>2758.9 ± 2996.03</b>	Mitral Annular Calcification	24.4%

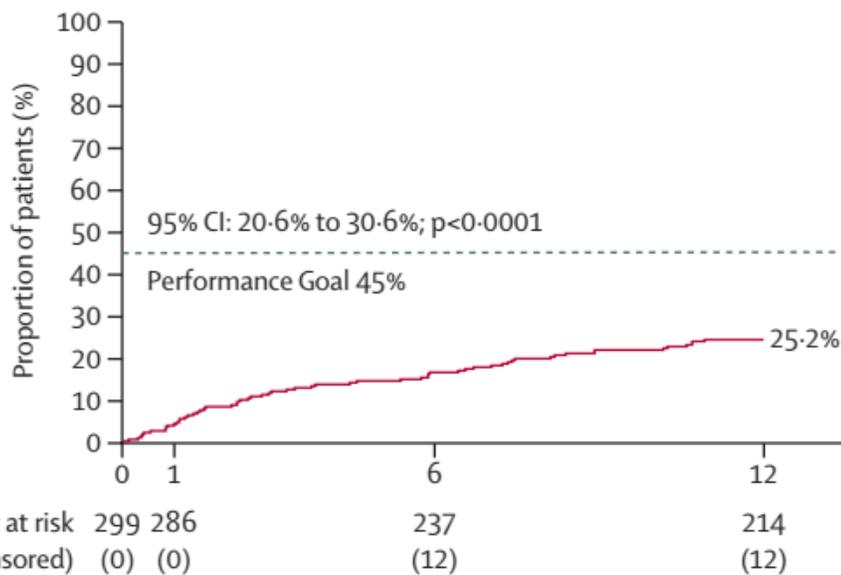
CRF+ TCT Values presented as %, mean ± SD  
\* Prior Mitral Repair included 12 prior rings, 11 prior bands, 2 repairs by Alfieri stitch, and 1 not-reported type of repair

# Mitral Regurgitation Severity



CRF+ TCT >95% patients had ≤1+ total MR at 30 days sustained to 1 year

## A Death or heart failure hospitalisation



# Procedural Characteristics



Characteristic	N=299	Characteristic	N=299
Procedure Time*, min	117.0 [50.0, 308.0]	<b>Valve Embolization</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Device Time, min</b>	<b>90.0 [39.0, 289.0]</b>	Multiple Valves Implanted	0.0%
Dock Deployment Time, min	57.0 [13.0, 227.0]	<b>Clinically significant LVOT obstruction</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
Valve Implant Time, min	9.0 [2.0, 158.0]	Pericardial Effusions leading to cardiac tamponade	0.7%
Total Fluoroscopy Time, min	46.0	Iatrogenic Ventricular Septal Defects	0.7%
<b>Intra-Procedural Death</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	Ventricular Perforation	0.3%
Intra-Procedural Stroke†	0.3%	<b>Percutaneous PVL closure</b>	<b>5.0%</b>
Procedure Aborted§	4.0%	ASD Closure¶	17.4%
<b>Conversion to Surgery</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	Routine	12.4%
		Clinically Significant	5.0%

\* Times shown as Median [min, max]  
† In a patient that received argatroban due to HIT  
‡ 12 aborted cases due to 5 encircling difficulties, 5 low dock, 1 mobile echodensity, 1 unable to gain medial commissure access  
§ Routine closures include all that were not clinically significant or were performed under standard clinical practice (i.e., preventative or planned based on patients' history). Clinically significant reasons include hemodynamic instability, multiple ASDs, significant left to right shunt, significant right to left shunt



# Additional Clinical Outcomes



Characteristic	30-Days	1 Year
Stroke	2.7%	9.3%
<b>Disabling</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>3.9%</b>
Non-Disabling	1.0%	5.5%
MV Reintervention*	2.3%	6.4%
Major Bleeding or above, MVARC	8.7%	18.5%
Clinically significant LVOT obstruction	0.0%	0.0%
MI requiring revascularization	0.0%	0.3%
Cardiac Structural Complications	2.3%	2.7%
Major Access Site Vascular Complications	3.0%	5.6%
<b>Clinically Significant Device Thrombosis</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>6.7%</b>
<b>Hemolysis requiring intervention†</b>	<b>4.3%</b>	<b>7.1%</b>
Atrial fibrillation, new onset	7.9%	11.5%
New Permanent Pacemaker	2.6%	5.5%
Endocarditis	0.0%	1.5%
AKI requiring renal replacement therapy	1.7%	---§



Values are shown as Kaplan Meier Estimates - %  
 \* Includes PVL Closure (12), Valve in Valve (3), and Surgical Mitral Valve Replacement (4)  
 † Required blood transfusion or mitral valve reintervention  
 § AKI adjudicated up to 30 days, therefore no value for 1-year reported

## Anticoagulation Status and Stroke Incidence



	Number of Subjects	Stroke Rate at 1 Year*		All
		Adequate Anticoagulation	Inadequate Anticoagulation†	
Direct oral anticoagulation	221	7.1%	13.4%	9.0%
Vitamin K antagonist	58	6.9%	10.3%	8.6%
No anticoagulation‡	8	---	12.5%	12.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>7.1%</b>	<b>12.5%</b>	<b>9.1%</b>

**Patients with inadequate anticoagulation, irrespective of type, had higher stroke risk**

## Anticoagulation Status and Clinically Significant Device Thrombosis Incidence



	Number of Subjects	Clinically Significant Device Thrombosis Rate at 1 Year*		All
		Adequate Anticoagulation	Inadequate Anticoagulation†	
Direct oral anticoagulation	223	6.1%	8.0%	6.7%
Vitamin K antagonist	54	0.0%	10.0%	5.6%
No anticoagulation	10	---	10.0%	10.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>5.2%</b>	<b>8.7%</b>	<b>6.6%</b>

**Patients with inadequate anticoagulation, irrespective of type, had higher rate of thrombosis**



\* Observed rate, %  
 † Inadequate anticoagulation is defined as a gap greater than 1 day in anticoagulation or subtherapeutic INR (<2.5) if taking Vit. K antagonist  
 ‡ Number of subjects with no anticoagulation at time of stroke identification or no anticoagulation within 30 days from index procedure

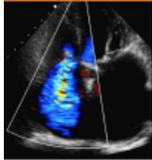


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# Differentiated Device Selection Transcatheter Mitral Therapy

Primary/ secondary MR + high surgical risk, HEART TEAM discussion



Edwards Lifesciences Sapien M3 Mitral Valve Replacement

Patient ID: TTUTB8270255 SCR-44477 Hospital: Universitätsklinikum Tübingen Creation Date: 2025/12/16 Created By: Ana Henriques

Pt Wt (kg): 93 Pt Gender: Female Pt Age: 70 Relevant Clinical Hx: None provided

Parameter	Within Parameters	Comments
C-C (ES)	37.5 mm	-Max Predicted TSP of 31.69 mm
Neo-LVOT (ES)	429.8 mm <sup>2</sup>	-Partial Medial Commissure Fusion
1 cm Below (ES)	42.5 mm	
MAC Score	N/A	
MC Flail or Prolapse?	No	
Mid P3 Flail or Prolapse?	No	

MIP View 3D TEE En Face

C-C (ES) Neo-LVOT (ES) 1 cm Below (ES) Other Relevant Image(s)

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TEER eligible ?

No

Conditionally feasible (yellow group)

YES

Screening for alternate approach (TMVR), Contraindications Bleeding risk/GA with TMVR?

TMVR

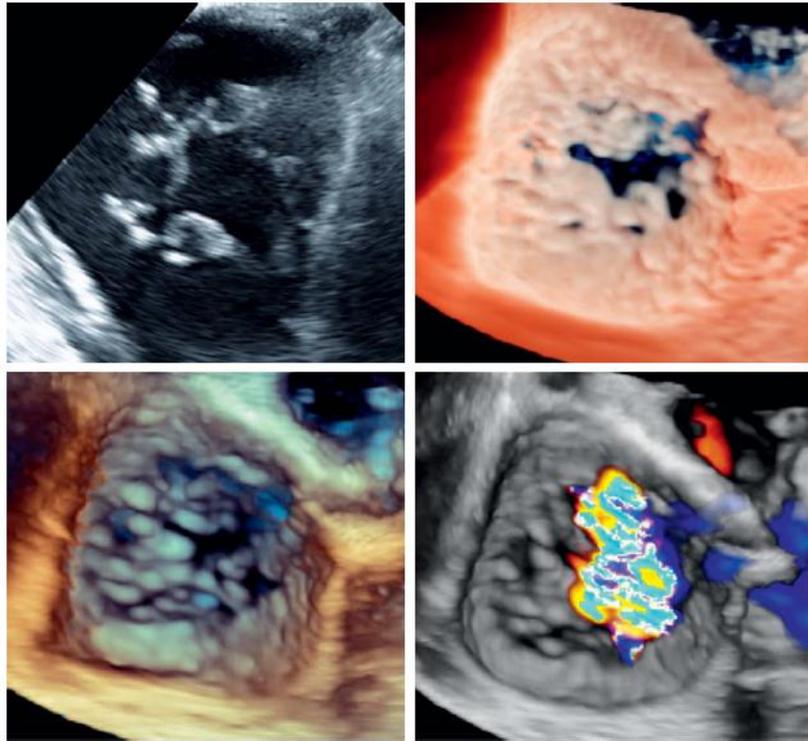
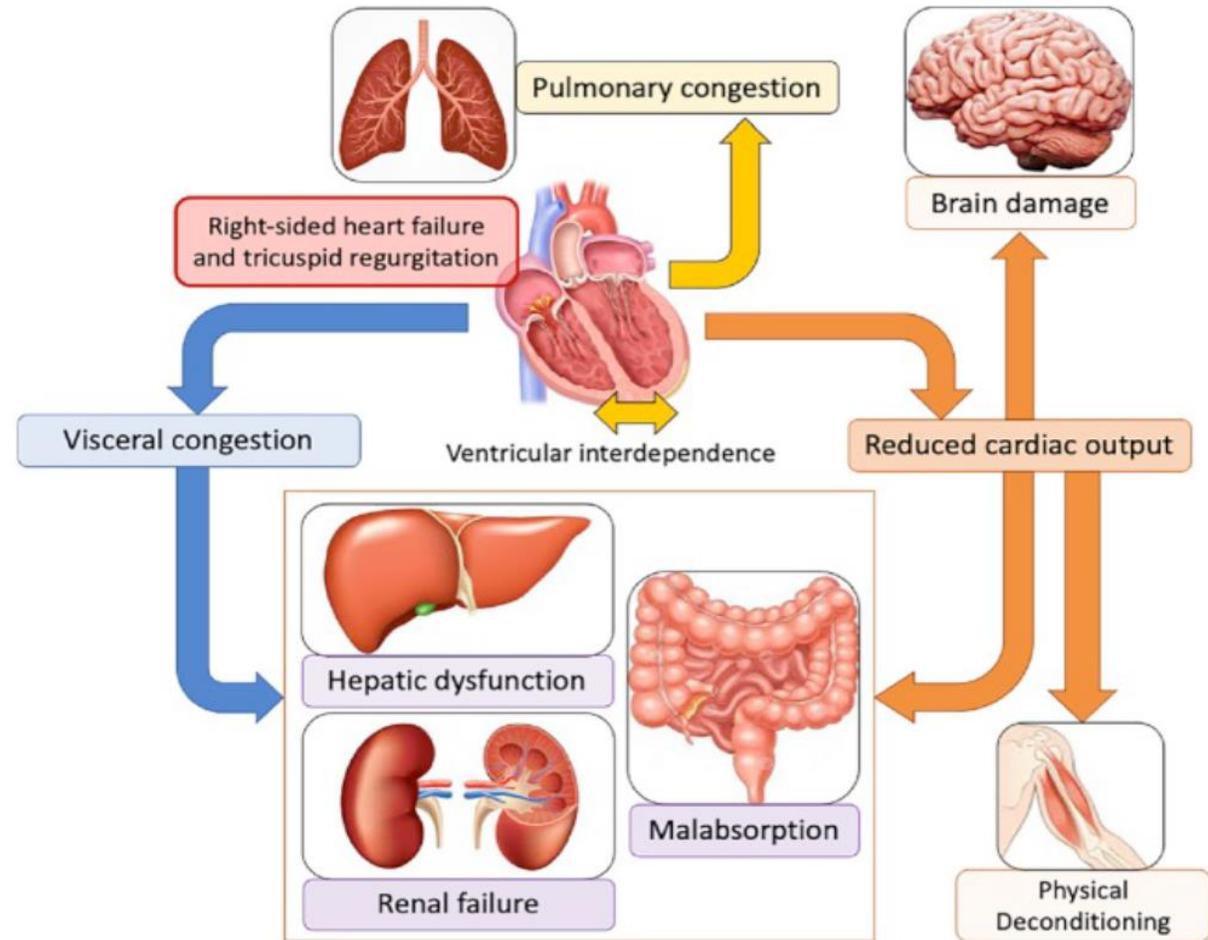
In case of insufficient reduction of MR, Conversion/two stage approach

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# Klinische Bedeutung der Trikuspidalklappeninsuffizienz



## TRIKUSPIDALINSUFFIZIENZ

# Die vernachlässigte Klappe

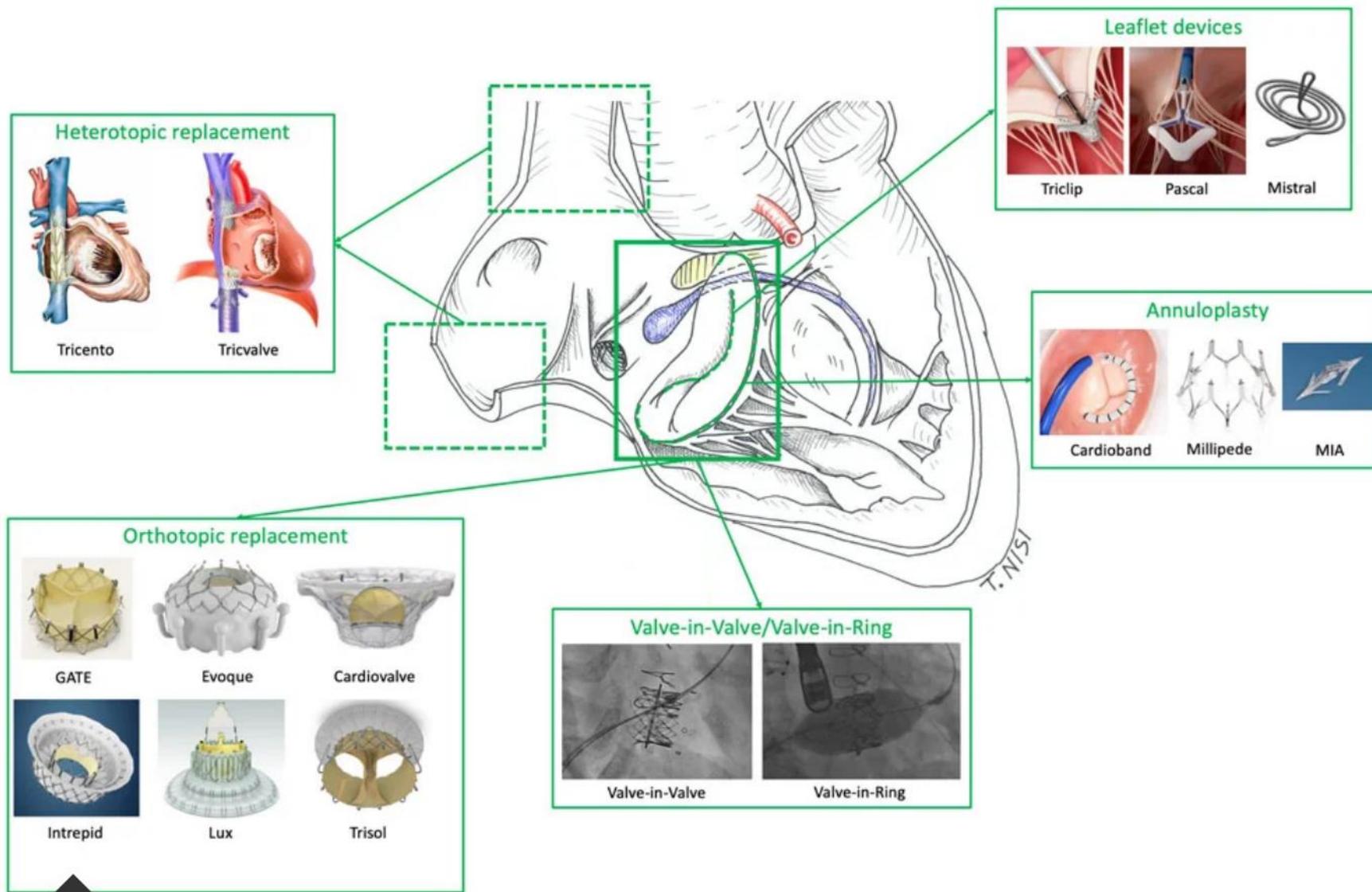
Angesichts der demografischen Entwicklung sind unterschiedliche minimalinvasive Verfahren zur interventionellen Therapie in Erprobung. Erste klinische Studien sind vielversprechend.

**Abbildung 1 (oben): Trikuspidalklappenansicht** in der transösophagealen und transgastralen Echokardiografie (2-D- und 3-D-Rekonstruktion +/- Farbdoppler)

**E**ine milde Trikuspidalklappeninsuffizienz (TI) wird in der klinischen Praxis häufig beobachtet – meist als Zufallsbefund im Rahmen einer Routine-Echokardiografie oder bei symptomatisch führender Linksherzerkrankung (sekundäre TI). Sie gilt als benigne und kann trotz Progress lange klinisch inapparent und kompensiert bleiben (1). Die Prävalenz einer klinisch relevanten, höhergradigen TI nimmt mit circa 5 % in der Population der

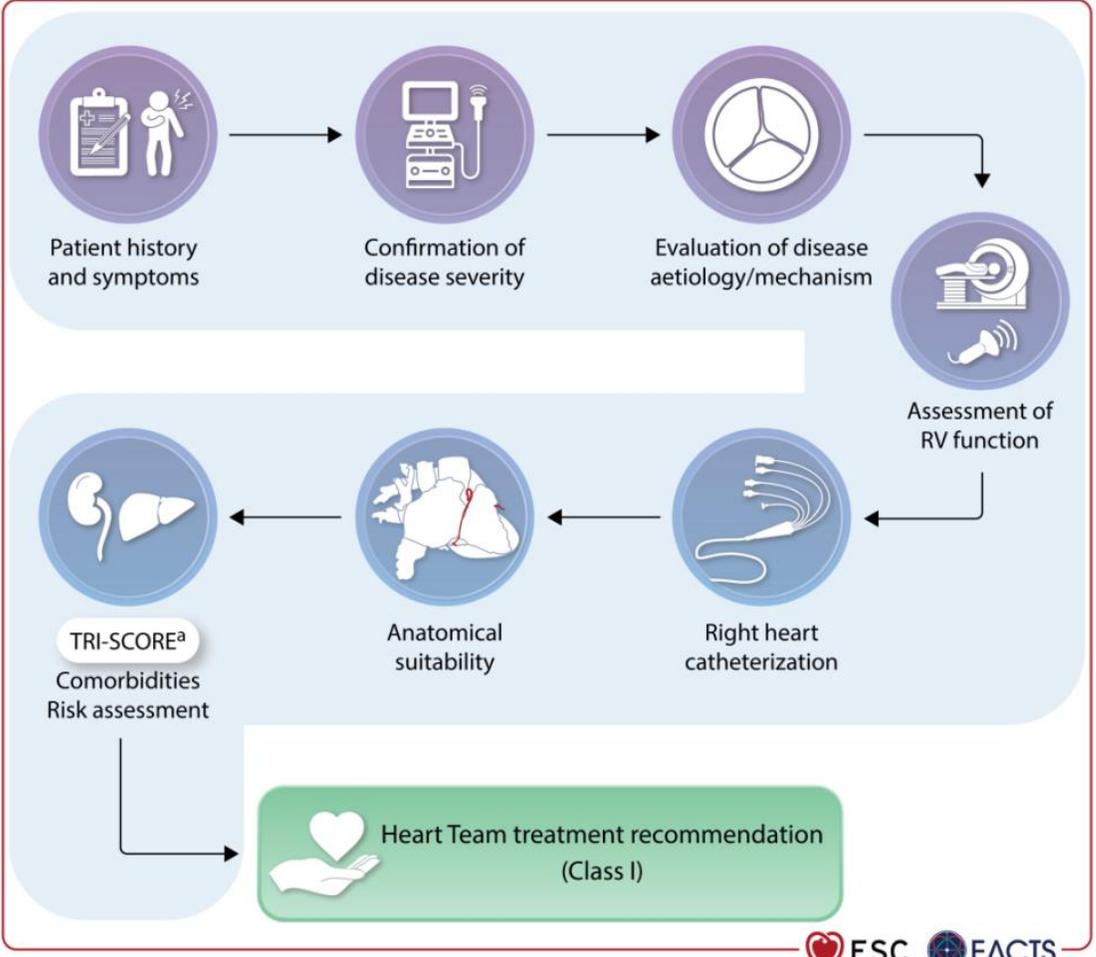
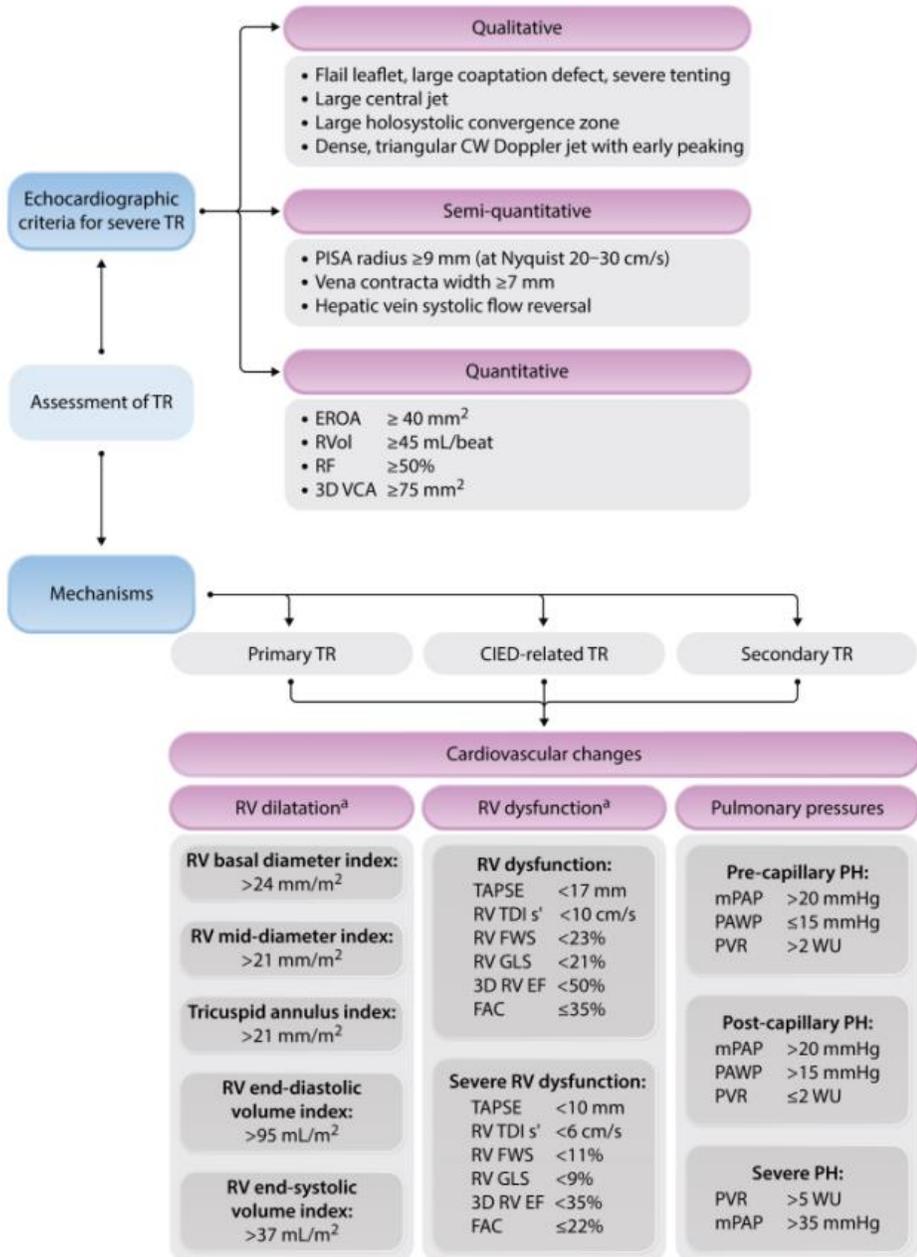
> 70-Jährigen (schätzungsweise 3 Mio. Menschen europaweit) zu und wird durch Alter und weibliches Geschlecht begünstigt (2–4). Bei der vergleichsweise selteneren primären TI (8–10 % der Fälle) liegt die Pathologie in der Trikuspidalklappe (TK) selbst, die Ursachen sind – auch aufgrund der komplexen Klappenanatomie – vielfältig (Grafik 1). Weitaus häufiger (> 90 % der Fälle) liegt eine sekundäre (funktionelle) TI vor; sie ist





*Landscape of currently most important transcatheter tricuspid devices.*





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Transcatheter TV treatment should be considered to improve quality of life and RV remodelling in high-risk patients with symptomatic severe TR despite optimal medical therapy in the absence of severe RV dysfunction or pre-capillary PH. [713,733,735,738,748–751](#)

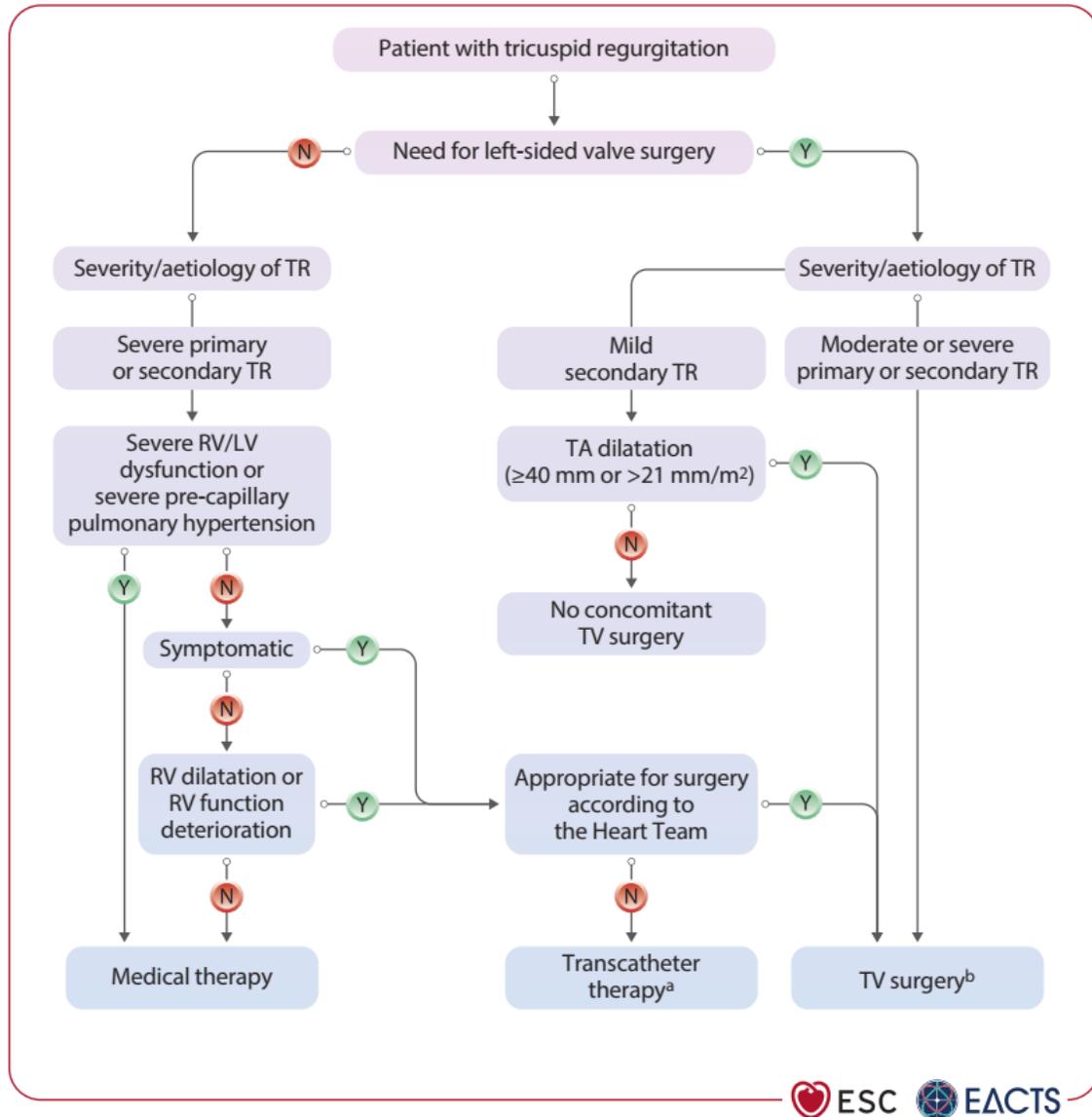
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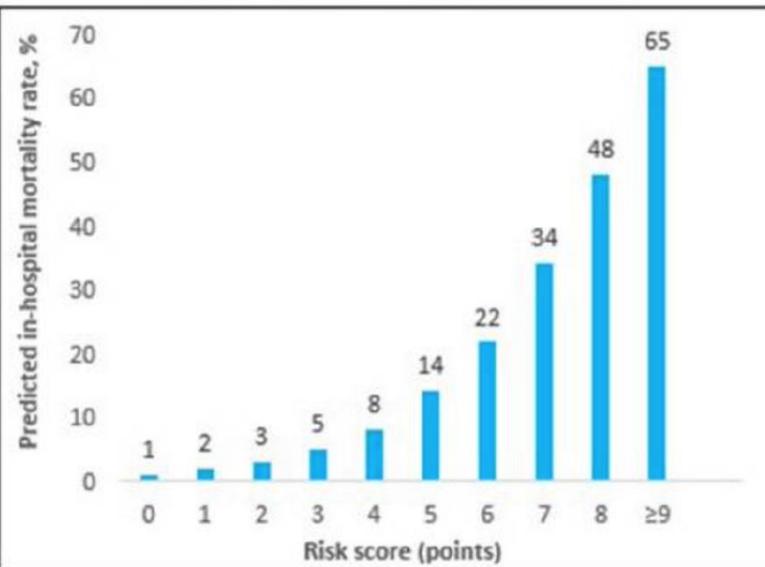
## TRISCORE

Risk factors and scoring system for in-hospital mortality after isolated tricuspid valve surgery

Risk factors (final model from multivariate analysis)	Scoring
Age ≥ 70 years	1
NYHA functional class III-IV	1
Right-sided heart failure signs	2
Daily dose of furosemide ≥ 125mg	2
Glomerular filtration rate < 30 ml/min	2
Elevated total bilirubin	2
Left ventricular ejection fraction < 60%	1
Moderate/severe right ventricular dysfunction	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>

Dreyfus J. et al, *Eur Heart J* 2023

### Predicted in-hospital mortality rate according to the final risk score model



## The 5-grade system

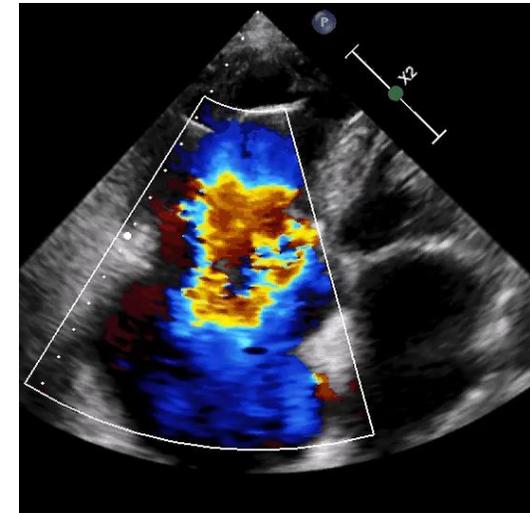
**Table 1** Proposed expansion of the 'Severe' grade

Variable	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Massive	Torrential
VC (biplane)	<3 mm	3-6.9 mm	7-13 mm	14-20 mm	≥21 mm
EROA (PISA)	<20 mm <sup>2</sup>	20-39 mm <sup>2</sup>	40-59 mm <sup>2</sup>	60-79 mm <sup>2</sup>	≥80 mm <sup>2</sup>
3D VCA or quantitative EROA <sup>a</sup>			75-94 mm <sup>2</sup>	95-114 mm <sup>2</sup>	≥115 mm <sup>2</sup>

VC, vena contracta; EROA, effective regurgitant orifice area; 3D VCA, three-dimensional vena contracta area.

<sup>a</sup>3D VCA and quantitative Doppler EROA cut-offs may be larger than PISA EROA.

Hahn R. and Zamorano JL., The need for a new tricuspid regurgitation grading scheme. Eur Heart J Cardiovasc Imaging. 2017 Dec 1;18(12):1342-1343.



From severe to torrential, when is time to refer a patient?

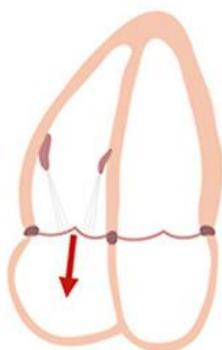


## Early to Timely Treatment

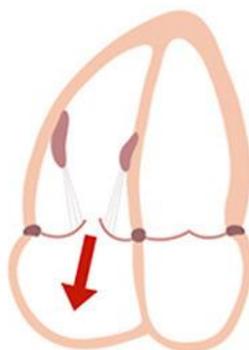
## Timely Treatment

## Late Presentation

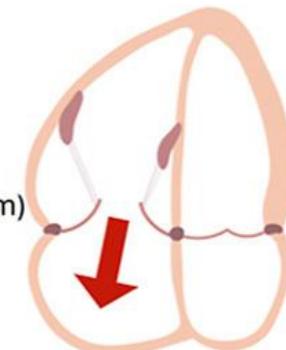
### Echocardiographic Characteristics



- I. RV function normal with absent or subtle RV/RA remodeling
- II. Absent or mild leaflet tethering and annular remodeling
- III. Moderate-to-severe/severe TR with absent or small coaptation gaps



- I. Mild/moderate RV dysfunction with RV/RA remodeling
- II. Varying degrees of leaflet tethering (<1.0 cm) and annular remodeling ( $\geq 40$  mm)
- III.  $\geq$ Severe TR with varying degrees of coaptation gaps (<0.8 cm)



- I. Severe RV dysfunction with progressive RV/RA remodeling
- II. Significant leaflet tethering ( $\geq 1.0$  cm) and annular remodeling ( $\geq 40$  mm)
- III. Massive/torrential TR with significant coaptation gaps ( $\geq 0.8$  cm)

### Clinical Characteristics



- I. Mild or absent symptoms (NYHA I/II)
- II. Normal renal/hepatic function
- III. Normal or mildly elevated pulmonary artery pressures
- IV. Absent or mild edema
- V. Normal mobility/ capability to fulfil daily routine

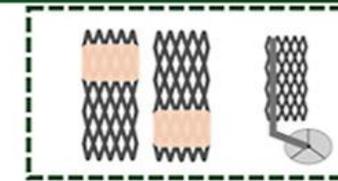
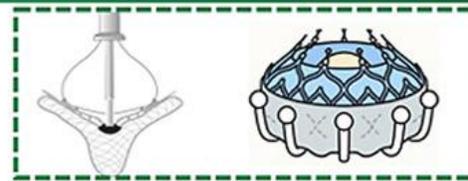
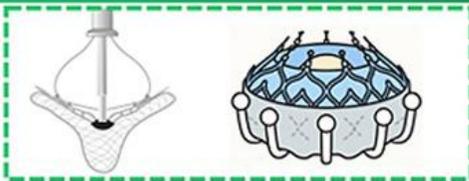


- I. Varying degrees of symptoms at exertion (NYHA II/III)
- II. Impaired renal/hepatic function
- III. Elevated pulmonary artery pressures
- IV. Presence of edema/ascites
- V. Impaired mobility/ impaired capability to fulfil daily routine



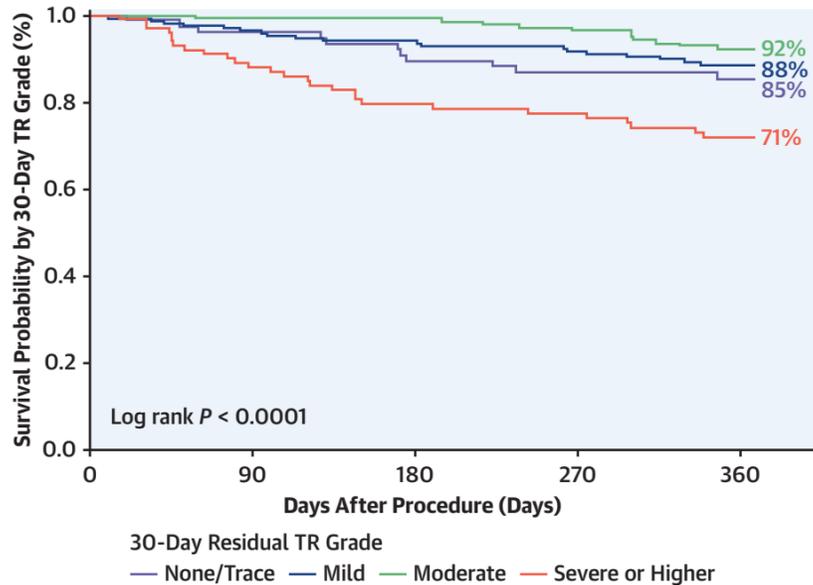
- I. Symptoms at rest (NYHA IV)
- II. Severely impaired renal/hepatic function
- III. Manifest pulmonary hypertension
- IV. Presence of edema/ascites
- V. Dependent on assistance for mobility and daily routine

### Potential Treatment Strategies + Optimal Medical Treatment



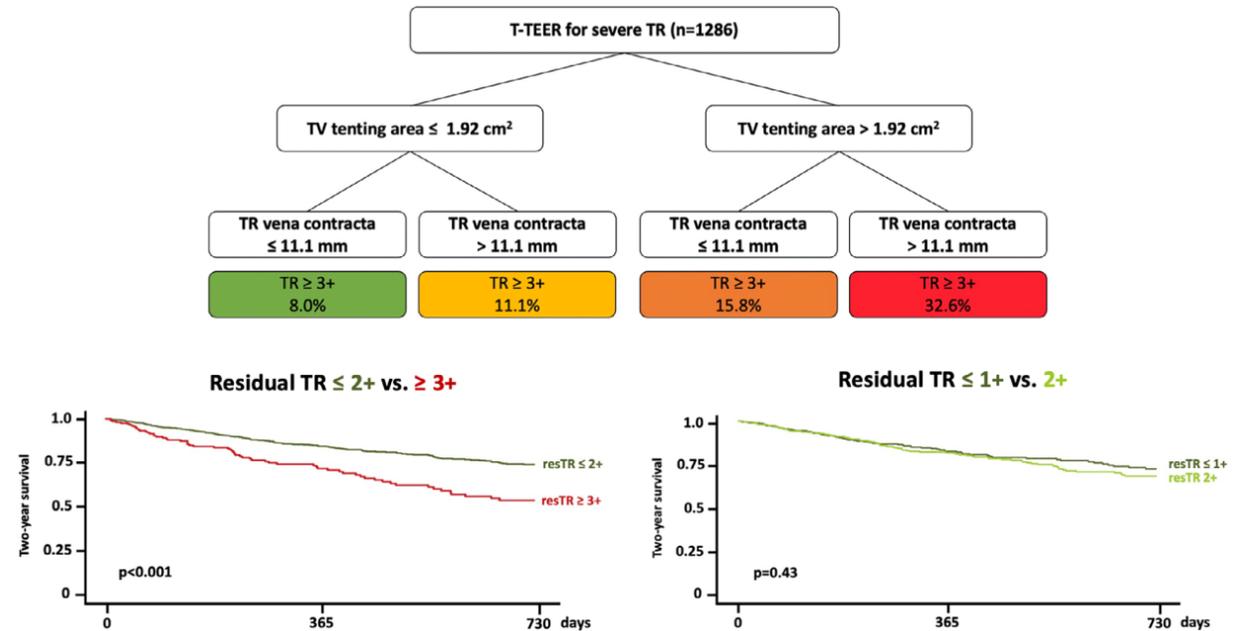
# Prognose einer residuellen TR $\geq 3+$ ist deutlich schlechter

bRIGHT Register



Lurz P, et al. J Am Coll Cardiol 2024;84:607–616

EuroTR Register



Stolz L, Geisler T, Hausleiter, et al, Eur J Heart Failure (2024) 26, 1850–1860

## Prävalenz einer residuellen TR $\geq 3+$

**Table 1** Tricuspid regurgitation rates at discharge or 30-day follow-up in currently available transcatheter tricuspid valve intervention studies and registries

TR at discharge or 30 days	TRILUMINATE <sup>3</sup>	Tri.Fr <sup>2</sup>	PASTE <sup>9</sup>	bRIGHT <sup>10</sup>	EuroTR <sup>11</sup>	TRISCEND II <sup>12</sup>
$\leq 1+$	52%	38% <sup>a</sup>	55%	53%	42.4%	98.1%
2+	38%	41% <sup>a</sup>	32%	32%	40.0%	1.9%
$\geq 3+$	10%	21% <sup>a</sup>	13%	15%	17.6%	0.0%

TR, tricuspid regurgitation.

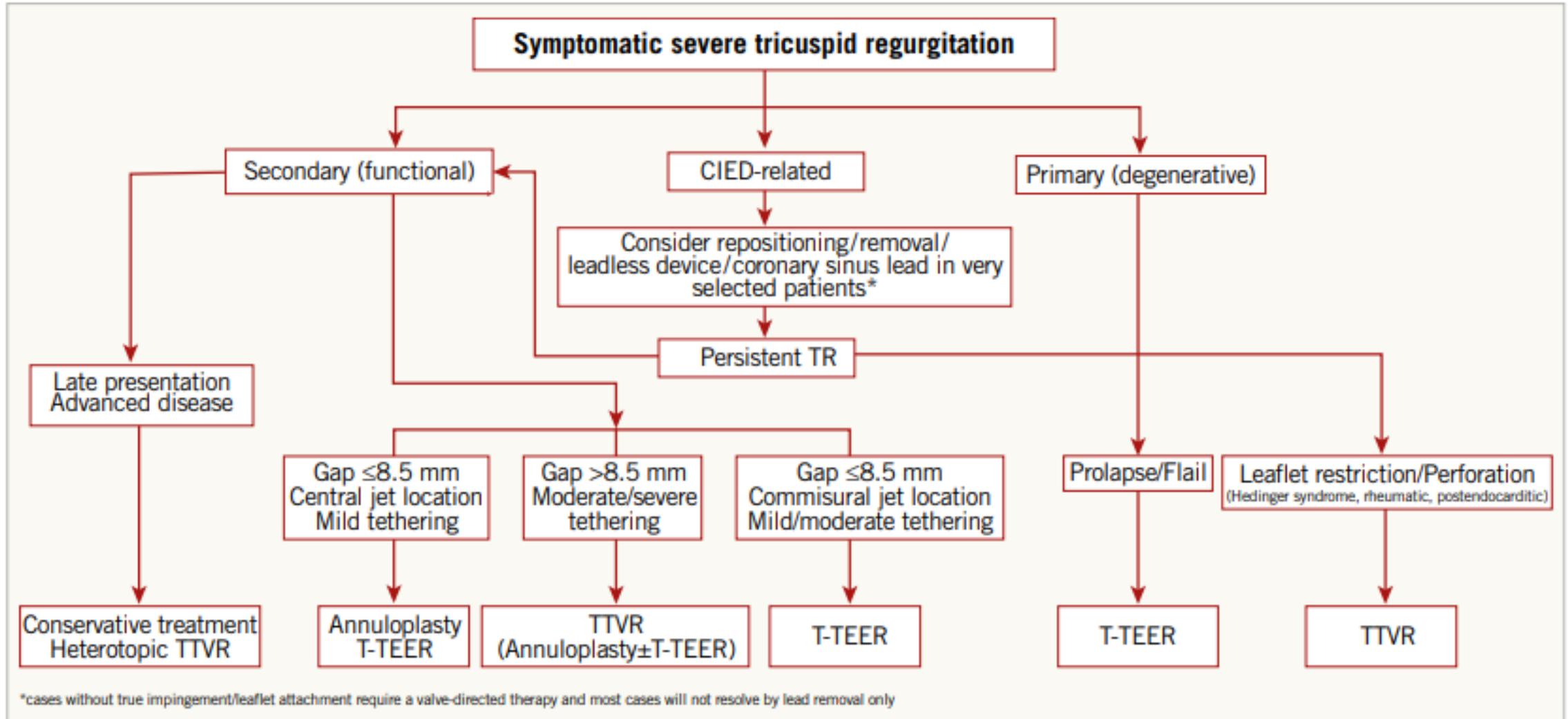
<sup>a</sup>Estimated values derived from supplemental charts of the Tri.Fr study.

T-TEER

TTVR



# Differentiated Device Selection Transcatheter Tricuspid Therapy



TR, tricuspid regurgitation; CIED, cardiac implantable electronic device; T-TEER, tricuspid transcatheter edge-to-edge repair; TTVR, tricuspid transcatheter valve replacement  
 Praz F, Muraru D, Kreidel F, et al. EuroIntervention 2021;17:791-808



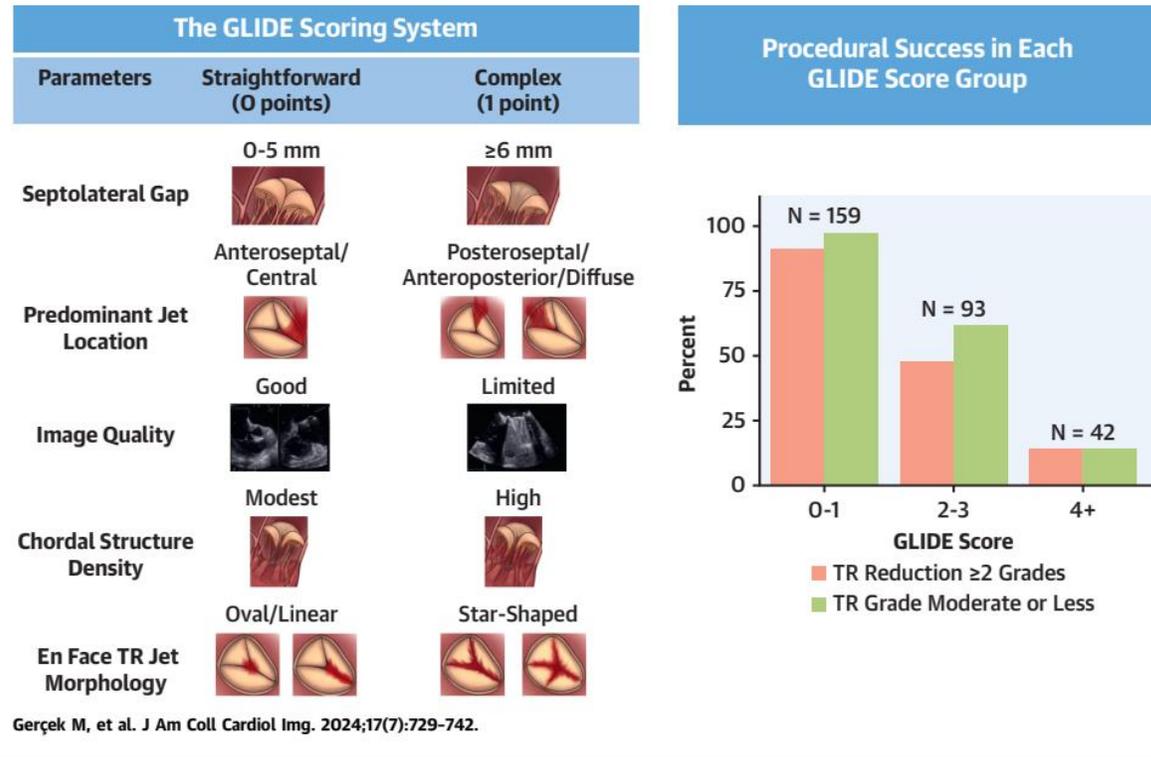
# GLIDE Score



## Scoring System for Prediction of Procedural Success in Tricuspid Valve Transcatheter Edge-to-Edge Repair

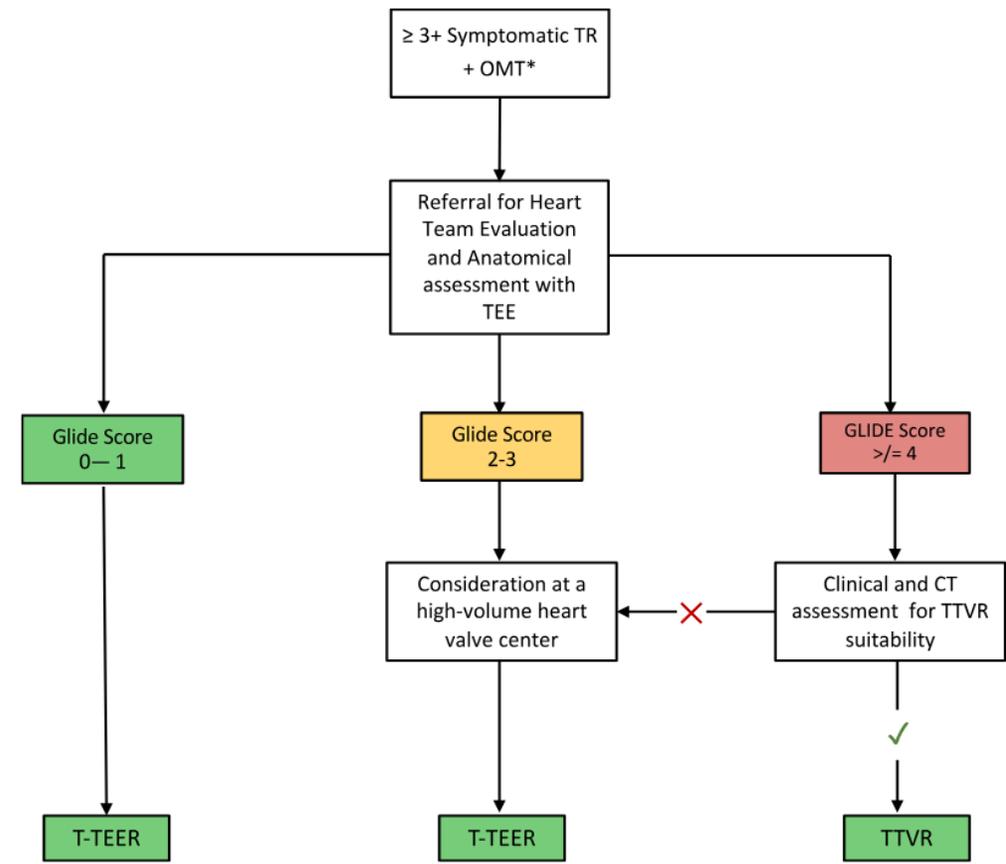
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### CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION The GLIDE Score



Gerçek M, et al. J Am Coll Cardiol Img. 2024;17(7):729-742.

The GLIDE (Gap, Location, Image quality, density, en-face TR morphology) score is a simple, 5-component score that is readily obtained during patient imaging and can predict successful T-TEER. T-TEER = tricuspid valve transcatheter edge-to-edge repair; TR = tricuspid regurgitation.



# Prädiktoren eines schlechten prozeduralen Erfolges nach T-TEER

	EuroTR <sup>11</sup>	PASTE <sup>9</sup>	bRIGHT <sup>10</sup>	GLIDE <sup>22</sup>	Sugiura <sup>20</sup>	Tanaka <sup>21</sup>	Besler <sup>23</sup>	n
	n=1286	n=1059	n=511	n=168	n=145	n=145	n=145	
Baseline TR severity								4
Gap size								3
Leaflet anatomy								2
Jet location								2
Tenting height								2
RV or RA size								2
CIED lead								1
Image quality								1
Chordal density								1
Leaflet-to-annulus Index								1



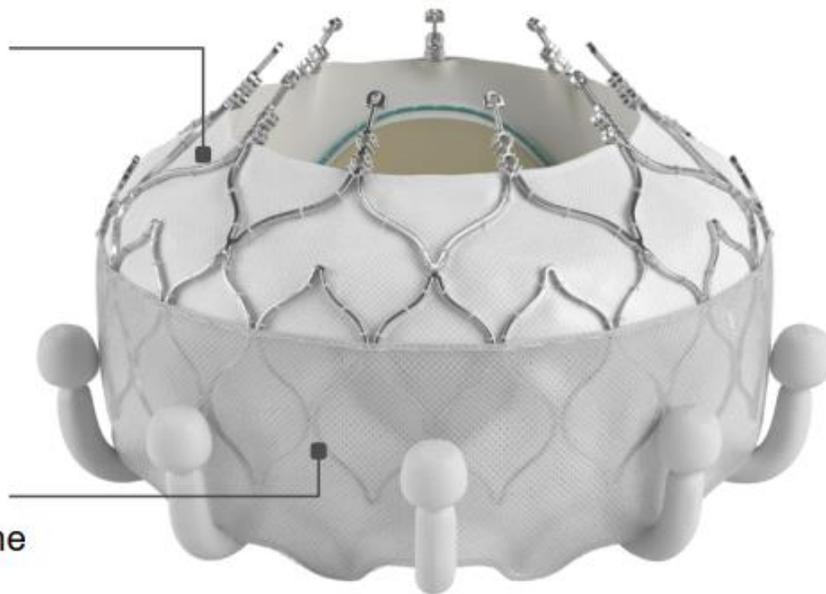
# EVOQUE Transcatheter Tricuspid Valve Replacement System

## Designed for anatomical compatibility

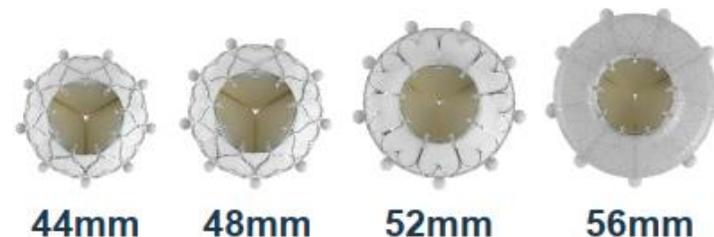
Self-expanding shape-memory nitinol frame designed to conform to native valve anatomy

## Designed to seal within native tricuspid annulus

Intra-annular sealing skirt and frame



## 4 sizes treat wide range of anatomies



Transfemoral

28 Fr outer diameter

3 planes of movement

Delivery System

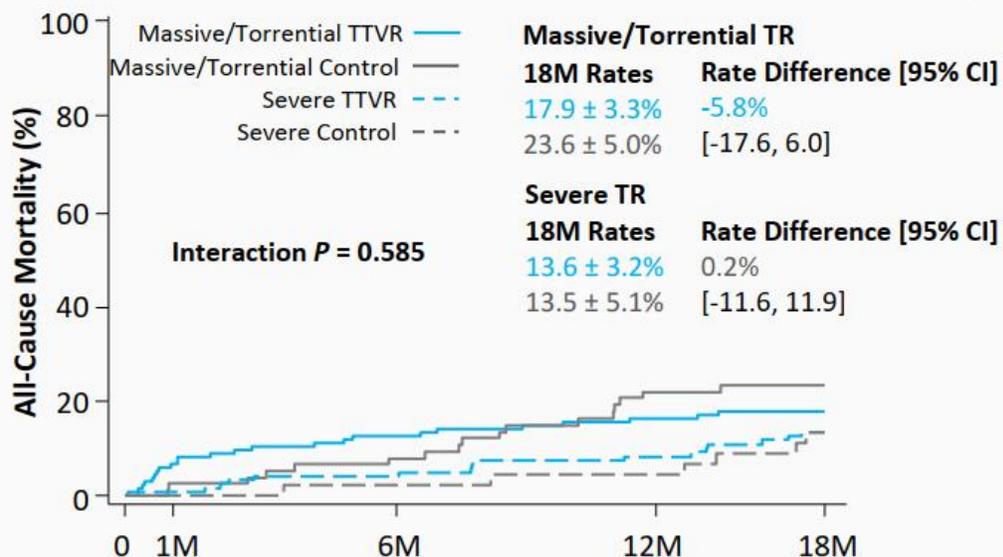


# TV replacement outcomes by baseline TR severity: subanalysis of TRISCEND II trial



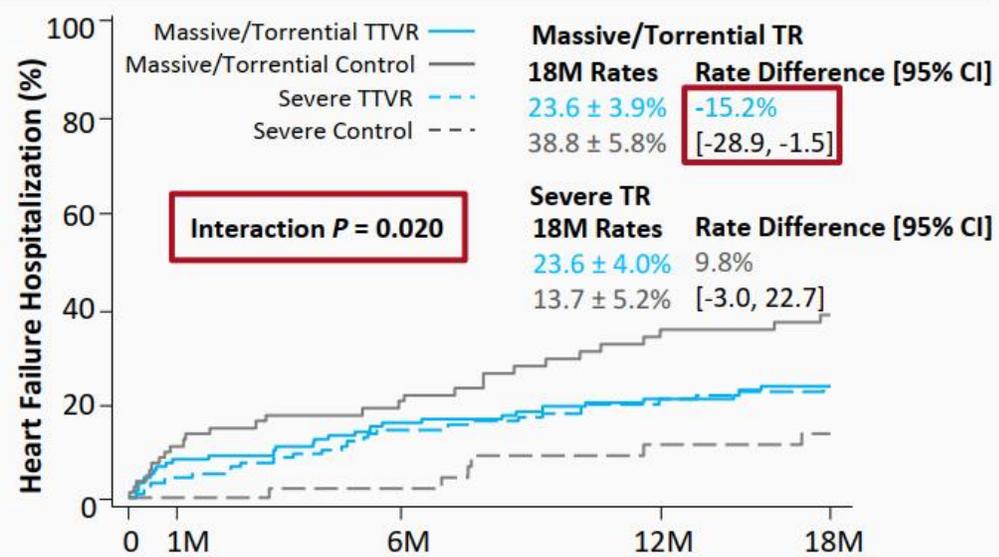
## CEC-adjudicated Kaplan-Meier estimates to 18 months

### All-Cause Mortality



At risk	0	1M	6M	12M	18M
<u>Mass/Torr</u>					
TTVR	137	125	117	111	108
Control	83	75	67	53	51
<u>Severe</u>					
TTVR	122	120	114	106	99
Control	50	48	45	43	38

### Heart Failure Hospitalization



At risk	0	1M	6M	12M	18M
<u>Mass/Torr</u>					
TTVR	137	114	99	92	86
Control	83	68	56	41	38
<u>Severe</u>					
TTVR	122	115	99	85	80
Control	50	48	44	38	33

Kaplan-Meier estimates include standard error. CEC, clinical events committee; TR, tricuspid regurgitation; TTVR, transcatheter tricuspid valve replacement. Crossover patients were included in the analysis.



ORIGINAL RESEARCH

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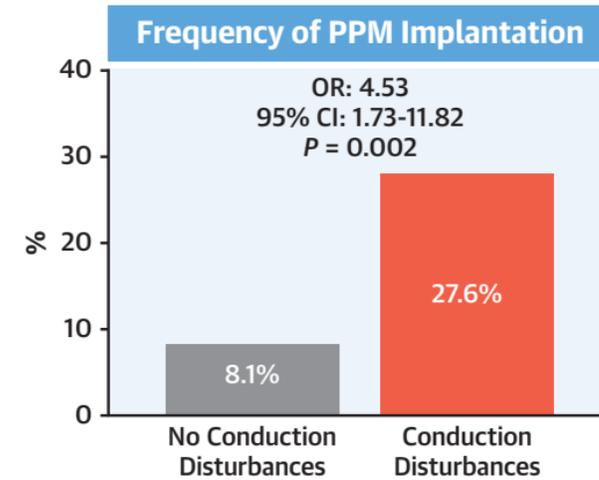
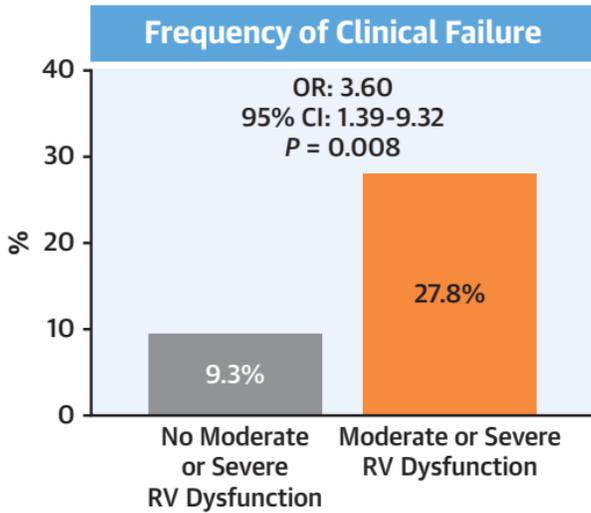
## Early Outcomes of Real-World Transcatheter Tricuspid Valve Replacement



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### 30-Day Outcomes of Real-World TTVR With Evoque System in Europe, N = 176

Patient Population	Outcomes at 30 Days
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mean age 77.8 years</li> <li>• 72% women</li> <li>• Median TRI-SCORE 5 (IQR 2)</li> <li>• Treated with the EVOQUE system October 2023 to February 2025</li> <li>• 12 Heart Valve Centers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• T-VARC clinical success: 86.9%</li> <li>• Improvement of <math>\geq 1</math> NYHA functional class: 71%</li> <li>• Improvement in renal function: eGFR mean difference +6.7 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>, <math>P &lt; 0.001</math></li> <li>• Reduction in bilirubin levels: mean difference -3.1 <math>\mu\text{mol/mL}</math>, <math>P &lt; 0.001</math></li> </ul>



- Successful TR reduction after TTVR was associated with significant improvements in functional status and hepato-renal function.
- Moderate or severe RV dysfunction at baseline (20.5%) predicted clinical failure.
- Conduction disturbances at baseline (32.4%) predicted PPM implantation.

Angellotti D, et al. JACC Cardiovasc Interv. 2025;18(15):1896-1909.

One-month outcomes after transcatheter tricuspid valve replacement (TTVR). eGFR = estimated glomerular filtration rate; PPM = prosthesis-patient mismatch; RV = right ventricular; T-VARC = Tricuspid Valve Academic Research Consortium.



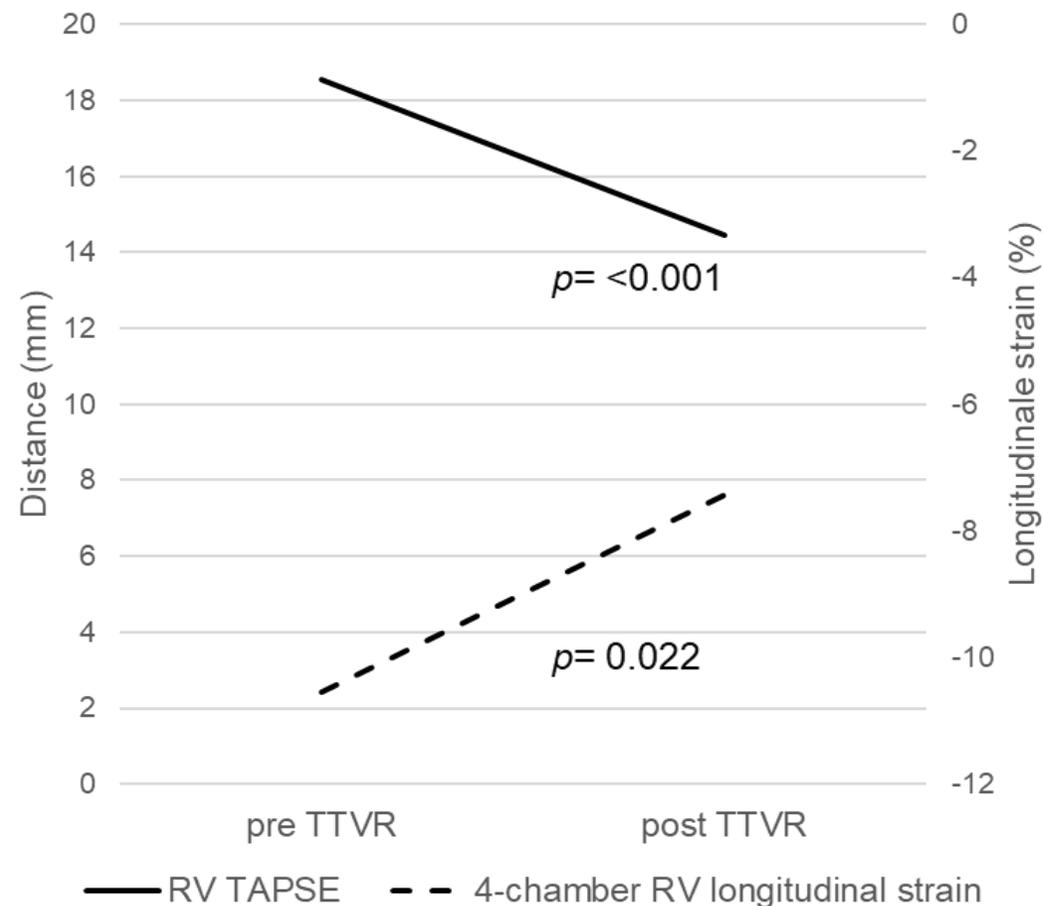
# RV contractility after TTVR (EVOQUE)

Hemodynamic and echocardiographic effects of TTVR in patients with severe tricuspid regurgitation

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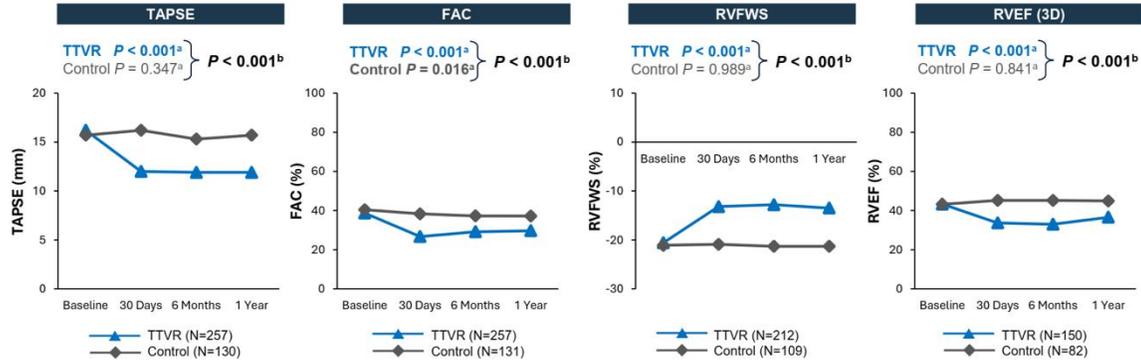
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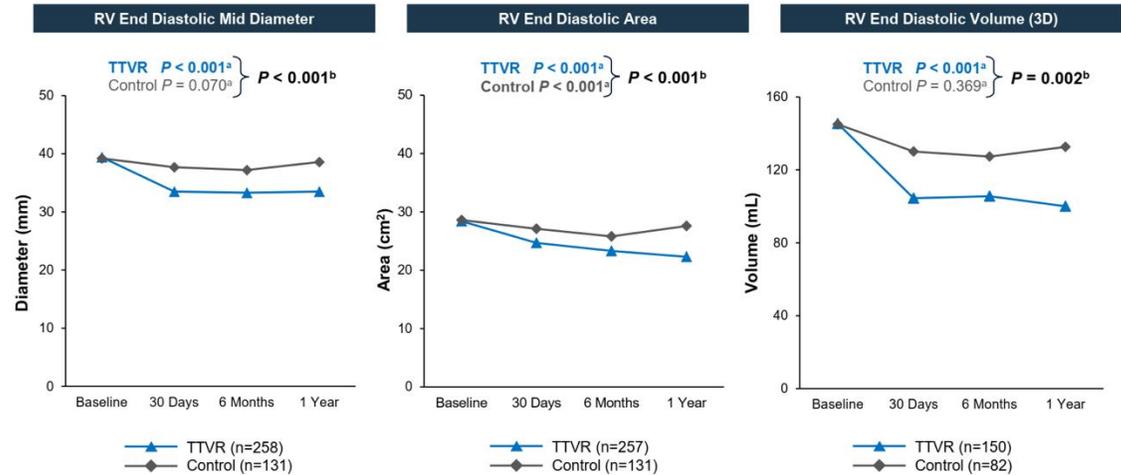


# Kurz- und langfristige Effekte auf die RV-Funktion und Remodelling nach orthotoper TTVR

## As Expected, Preload-dependent RV Systolic Performance Declines



## TR Reduction Leads to RV Reverse Remodeling

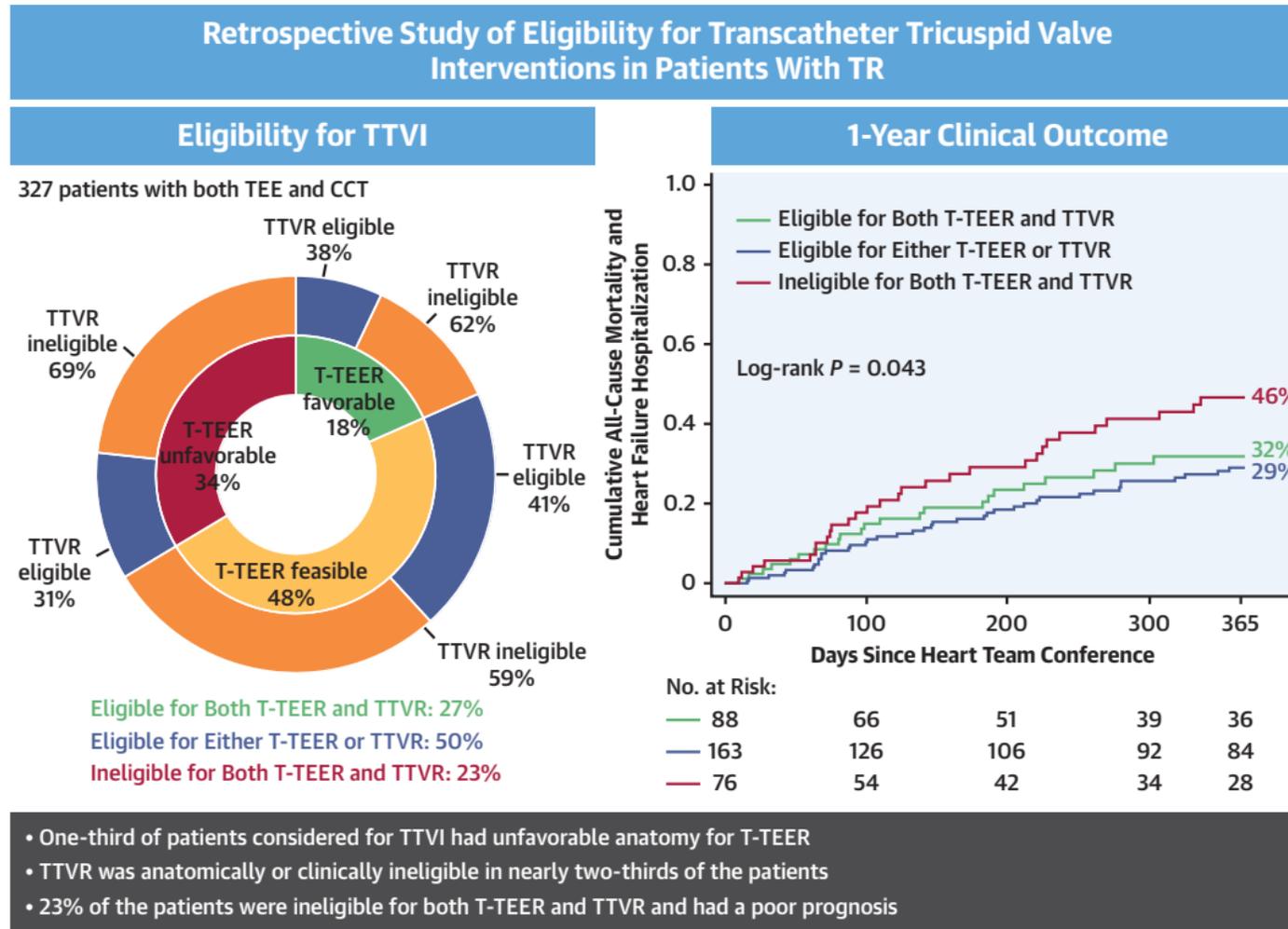


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Tanaka T, et al. *JACC Cardiovasc Interv.* 2024;17(23):2732-2744.

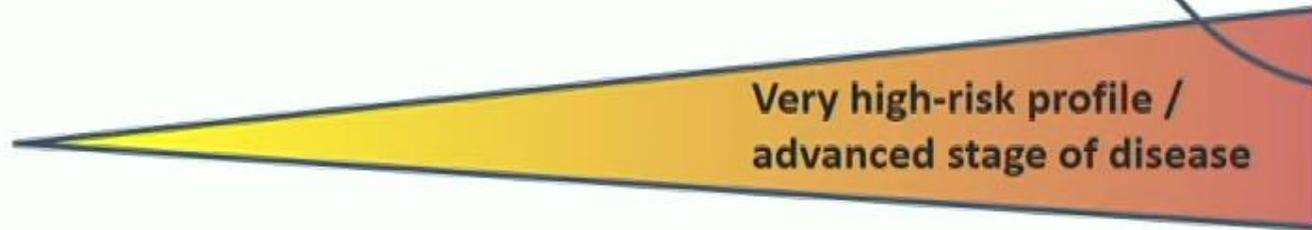
(Left) Prevalence of eligibility for tricuspid transcatheter edge-to-edge repair (T-TEER) and transcatheter tricuspid valve replacement (TTVR) in patients with tricuspid regurgitation (TR) with both transesophageal echocardiography (TEE) and cardiac computed tomography (CCT). (Right) Incidence of the composite outcome, consisting of mortality and heart failure hospitalization, according to eligibility for transcatheter tricuspid valve intervention (TTVI).



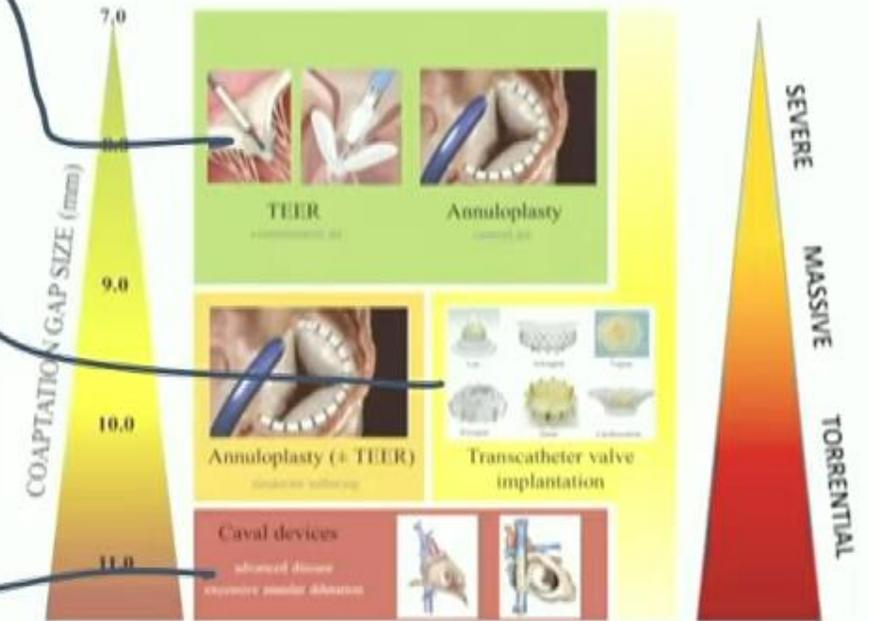
# What is the target population for CAVI ?

## Baseline characteristics

	TRILUMINATE	TRISCEND II	TRIC-BICAVAL REGISTRY
HF hospitalization (last year)	25.1%	34%	<b>60.8%</b>
Renal disease	35.4%	54%	<b>71.1%</b>
Massive or Torrential TR	72.3%	53%	<b>87.3%</b>
NT-proBNP (pg/ml)		1567	<b>3937</b>
NYHA III-IV	59.4%	75.4%	<b>82.4%</b>



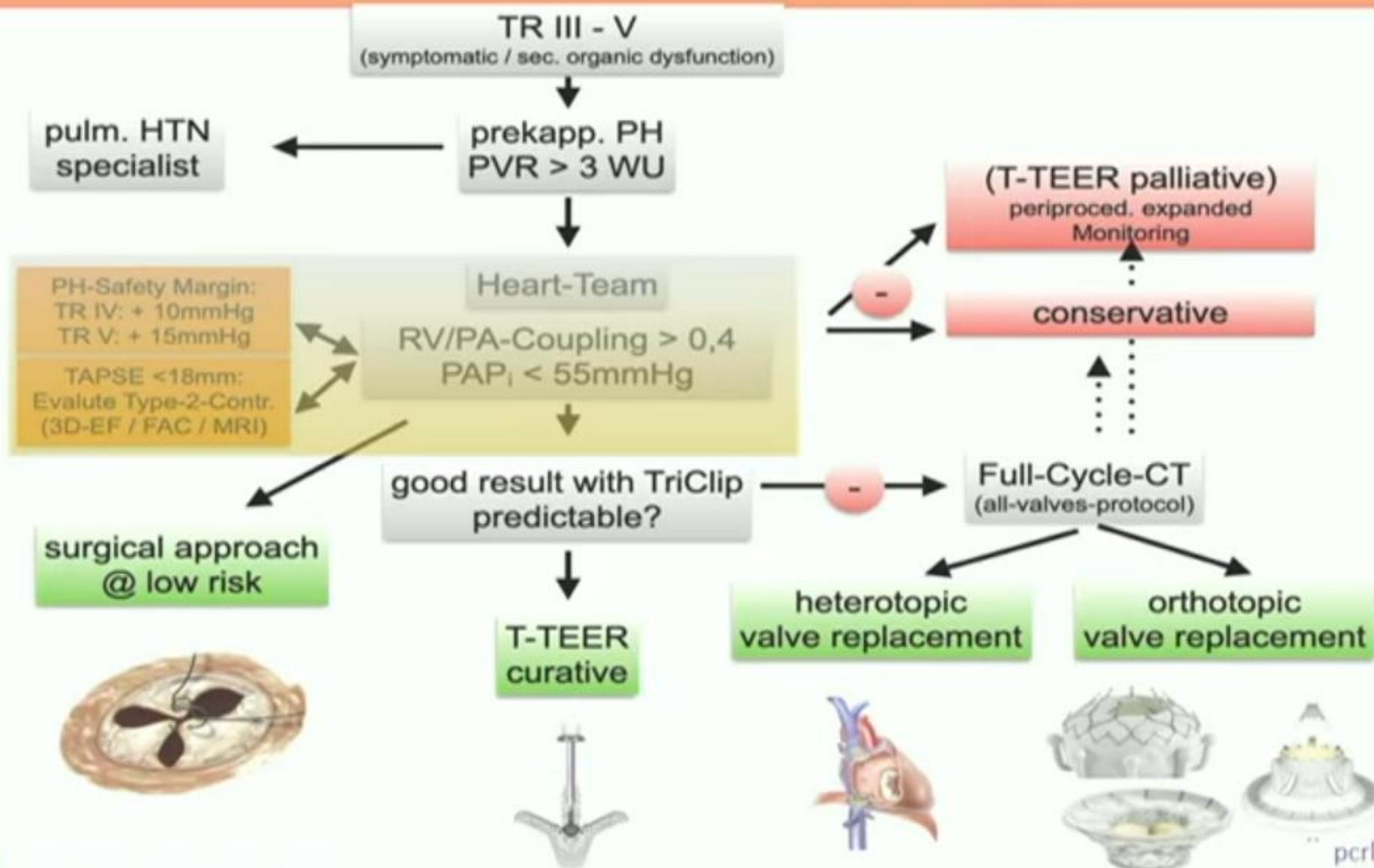
## Preclinical stage



## RHF // Organ failure

Will MG, Praz F, J Am Coll Cardiol Intv 2022;15:1378-81

# How to find the right patient



# Device selection

	TEER	TTVR	TricValve
Low RV/PA-Coupling	(+)	-	-
Bad imaging conditions	-	-	+
ICD-Leads	+ -	+ -	+
Pacemakers leads	+ -	+	+
Very large annuli (> 60mm)	-	-	+
Complex anatomical situations (GLIDE Score >2)	(+) -	+	+
Failed TEER (partail leaflet detachment)	(+) -	+ -	+

# Right atrial remodelling orthotopic versus heterotopic replacement

## RA Volumes after orthotopic TTVR (EVOQUE)

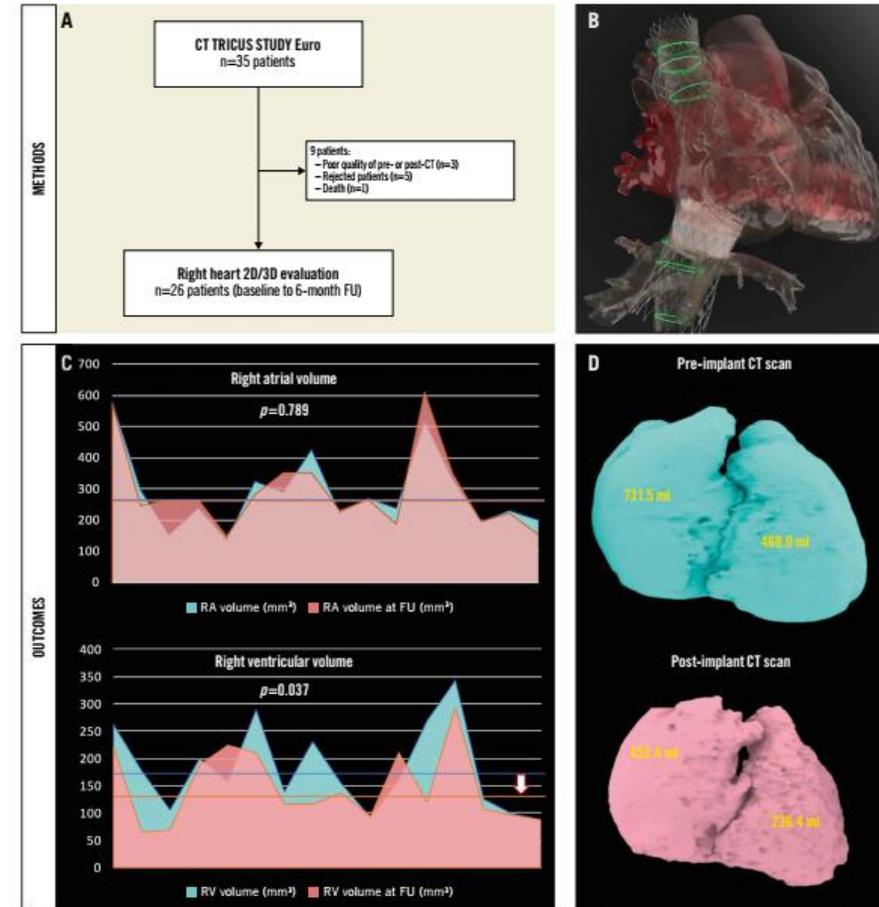
**TABLE 5 Paired Baseline and 30-Day Follow-Up Echocardiographic Parameters**

	n	Baseline	30 d	P Value <sup>a</sup>
PASP, mm Hg	31	40.1 ± 10.5	32.2 ± 10.2	0.002 <sup>b</sup>
RV end-diastolic area, cm <sup>2</sup>	45	33.1 ± 7.2	23.4 ± 7.1	<0.001 <sup>b</sup>
RV end-systolic area, cm <sup>2</sup>	45	20.5 ± 5.1	17.6 ± 5.8	0.001 <sup>b</sup>
RV FAC, %	45	37.6 ± 9.3	24.8 ± 9.9	<0.001 <sup>b</sup>
IVC diameter, expiration, mm	48	27.0 ± 7.1	21.3 ± 5.6	<0.001 <sup>b</sup>
RA volume systolic, mL	52	154.1 ± 66.1	138.2 ± 61.8	0.009 <sup>b</sup>
TAPSE, mm	24	14.9 ± 3.9	13.0 ± 3.2	0.035 <sup>b</sup>
TV mean gradient, mm Hg	49	1.8 ± 1.1	3.4 ± 1.5	<0.001 <sup>b</sup>
LVEF, %	47	53.4 ± 10.2	58.2 ± 10.4	0.014 <sup>b</sup>

Values are mean ± SD. <sup>a</sup>P values calculated by Student's *t*-test for paired analysis. <sup>b</sup>Statistically significant.  
 FAC = fractional area change; IVC = inferior vena cava; LVEF = left ventricular ejection fraction; PASP = pulmonary artery systolic pressure; RA = right atrial; RV = right ventricular; TAPSE = tricuspid annular plane systolic excursion; TV = tricuspid valve.

## RA Volumes after heterotopic TTVR (TRICVALVE)

CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION Right heart remodelling following TricValve implantation (CT analysis).



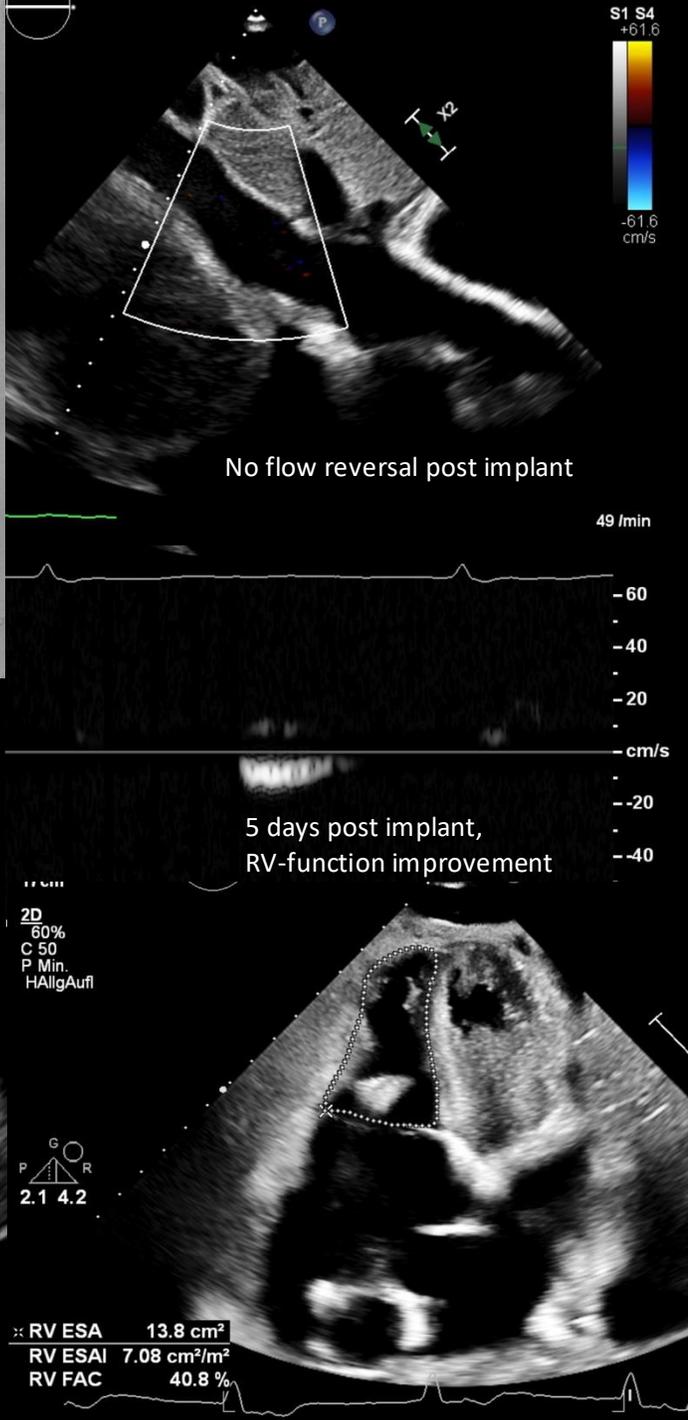
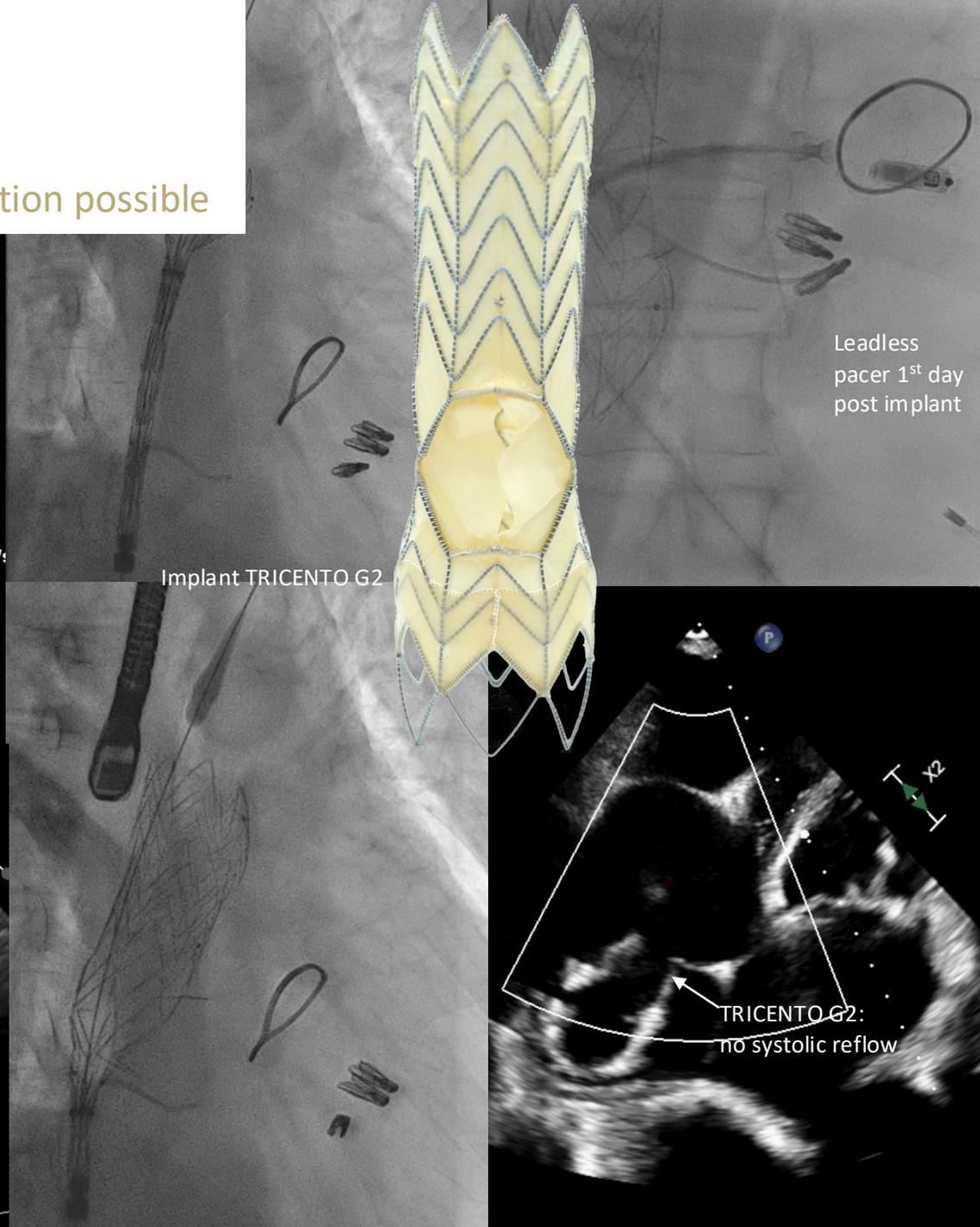
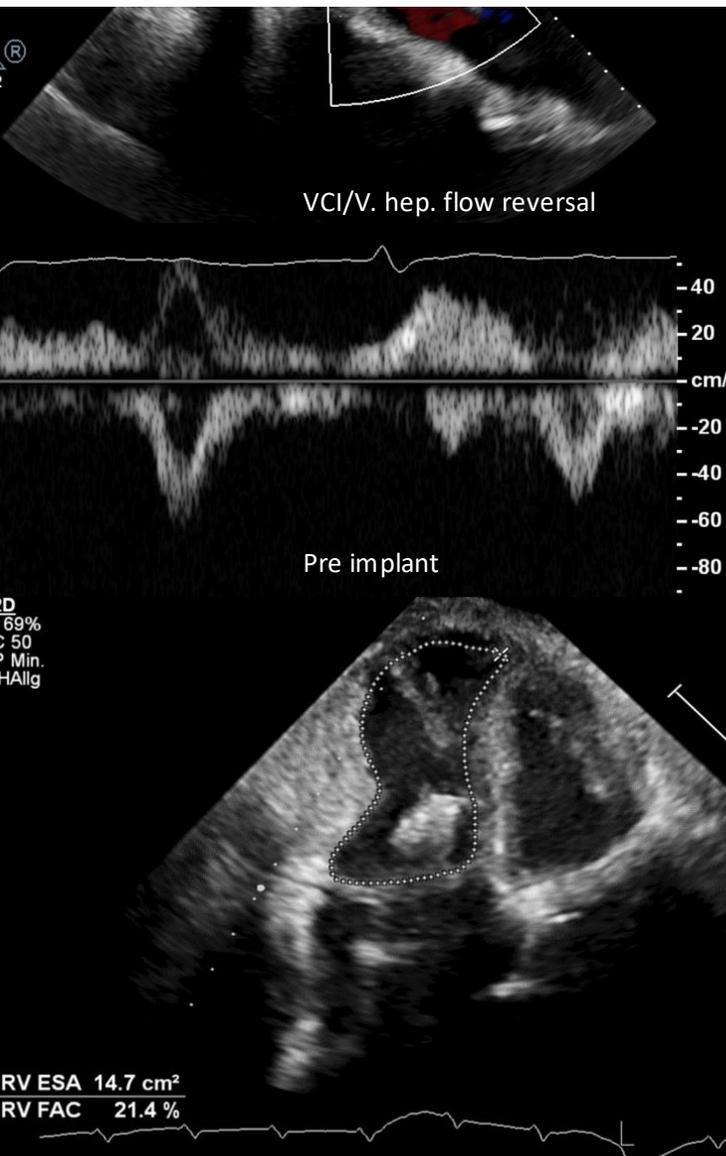
Study flowchart (A). TricValve implant simulation (B) and main changes in right heart volumes, reflected as a patient-level analysis of right atrial and ventricular volumes (C) after 3D reconstruction (the arrow reflects the decrease in mean right ventricular volume). Case example of significant decrease in right chamber volume (D). 2D/3D: two-/three-dimensional; CT: computed tomography; FU: follow-up; RA: right atrial; RV: right ventricular

Kodali, et al. J Am Coll Cardiol Intv 2022;15:471–480

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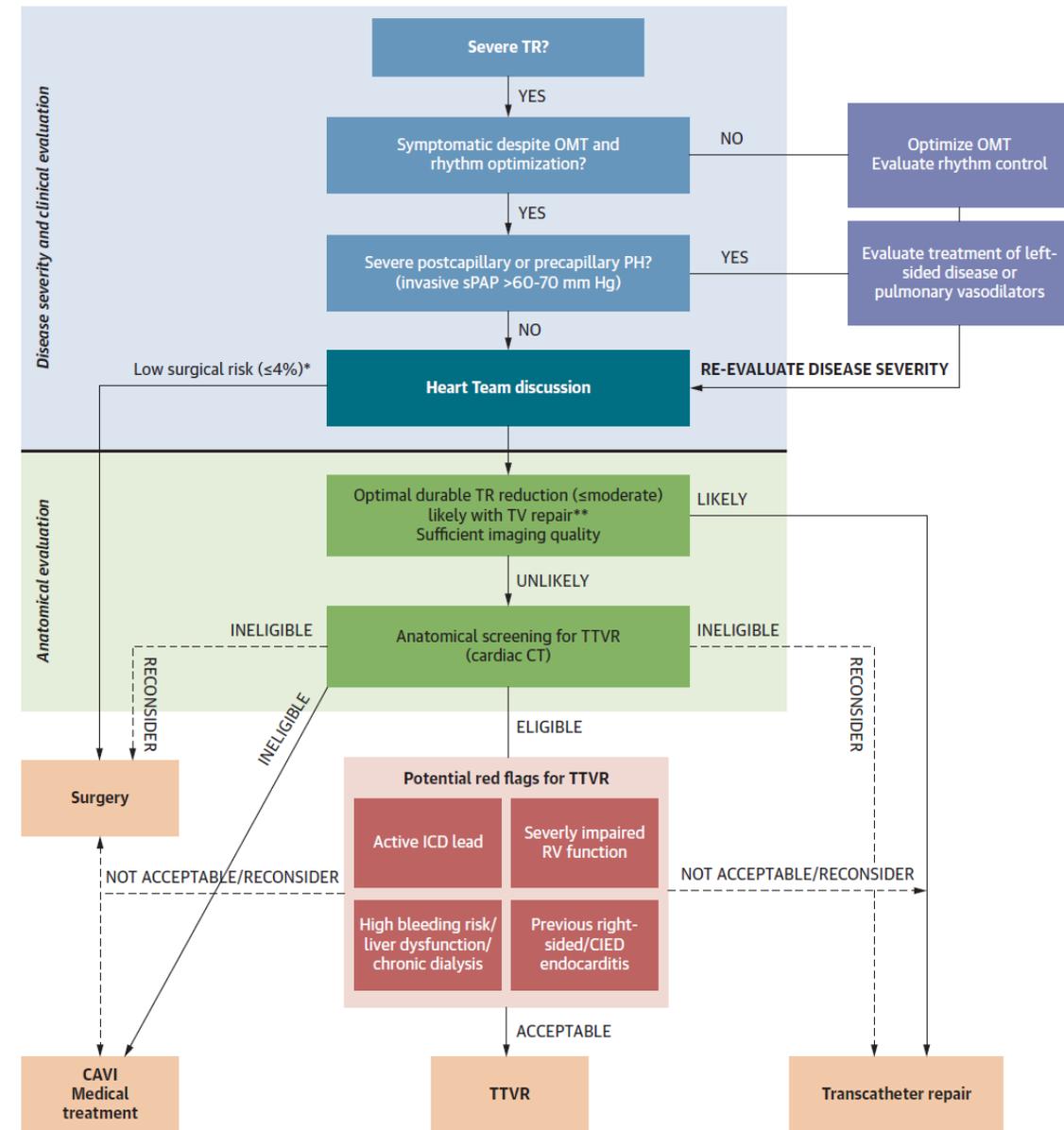
# Proposed treatment algorithm for patients with $\geq$ severe TR focusing on the implementation of TTVR

Device selection should be based on several considerations including:

- Clinical and anatomical factors
- Lifetime management

TTVR: transcatheter tricuspid valve replacement; TR: tricuspid regurgitation; TV: tricuspid valve; CIED: cardiac implantable electronic device; ICD: implantable cardioverter-defibrillator; OMT: optimal medical treatment; PH: pulmonary hypertension; sPAP: systolic pulmonary artery pressure; RV: right ventricle; CAVI: caval valve implantation; CT: computed tomography

Hausleiter J. et al., J Am Coll Cardiol. 2025 Jan 28;85(3):265-291.



# Zusammenfassung

- Patientenselektion und Timing spielen für die interventionelle AV-Klappentherapie eine entscheidende Rolle und beeinflussen das Verfahren
  - Ziel sollte immer ein optimales Ergebnis mit dem gewählten Verfahren sein (d.h.  $MI \leq 1+$  und  $TI \leq 2+$ )
  - In der Mehrheit der Fälle kommt nach wie vor die edge-to-edge Therapie aufgrund der Sicherheit und auch günstiger Langzeitdaten (bis zu 5 Jahren bzw. 2 Jahren für M-TEER und T-TEER)
  - Anatomische Besonderheiten/Bildgebungsqualität, die mit einem schlechten prozeduralen Outcome verbunden sind, sollten in die Entscheidung für das geeignete Verfahren mit einbezogen werden (GLIDE-Score)
  - Ein fortgeschrittener Verlauf und Begleiterkrankungen (LV-Dysfunktion/Dilatation, RV-Dysfunktion) bedürfen einer individuellen Risikoabwägung (erwartbarer Effekt auf die Lebensqualität, M-TEER als Bridging Option, ggf. heterotoper TK-Ersatz zur Symptomverbesserung bei mangelnden Alternativen)
- Zukünftig werden differenzierter Therapieansätze an Bedeutung gewinnen



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# Backup



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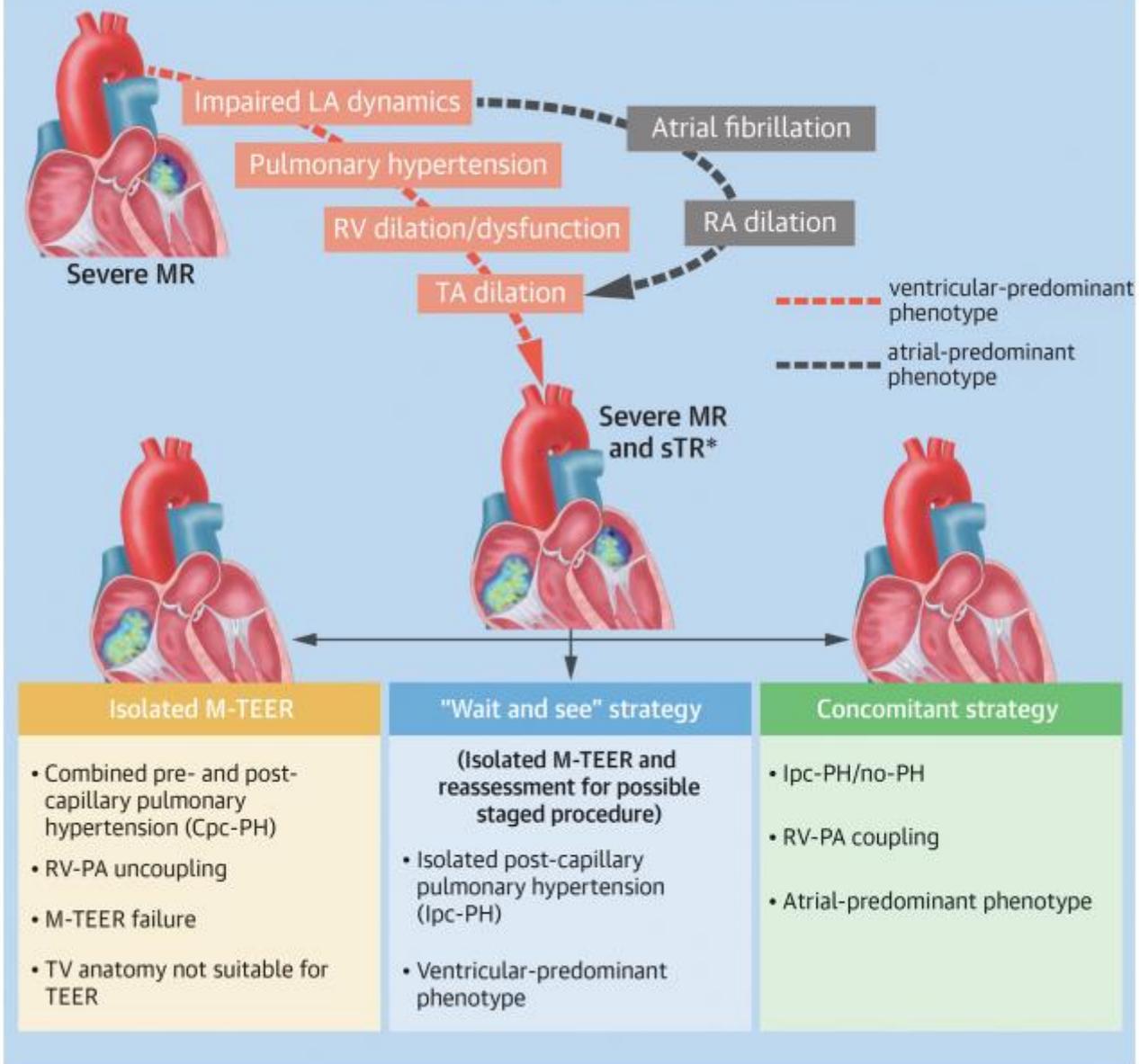
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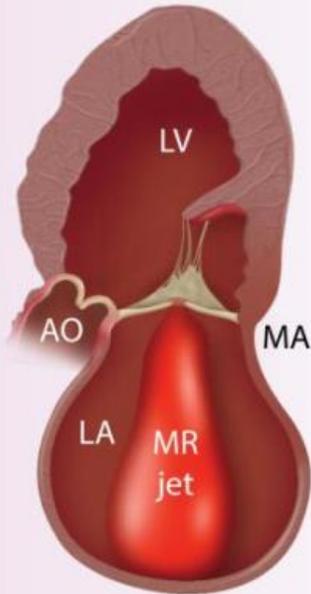
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## Pathogenesis and Treatment Strategies for Secondary Tricuspid Regurgitation (sTR)



### Atrial SMR



### Key criteria

LVEF  $\geq 50\%$  without regional wall motion abnormalities

No or mildly dilated LV cavity<sup>a</sup> without leaflet tethering

Mitral annulus dilatation (AP  $> 35$  mm)

Enlarged LA (LAVI  $> 34$  mL/m<sup>2</sup>)

LVEF  $< 50\%$  with or without regional wall abnormalities

Restrictive leaflet motion with tethering

Normal leaflet morphology

Central or eccentric jet

### Additional echocardiographic criteria<sup>b</sup>

Normal leaflet motion

Normal leaflet morphology

Usually central jet

Dilated LV

Dilated LA

Dilated MV annulus

### Additional clinical criteria

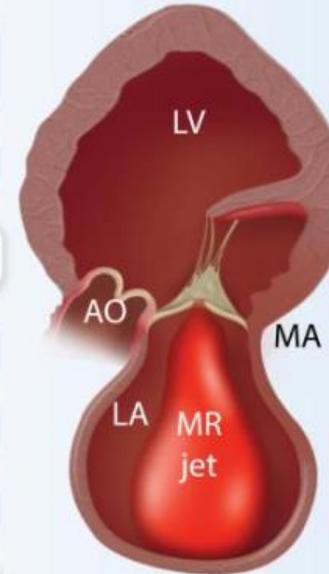
Atrial fibrillation

HFpEF

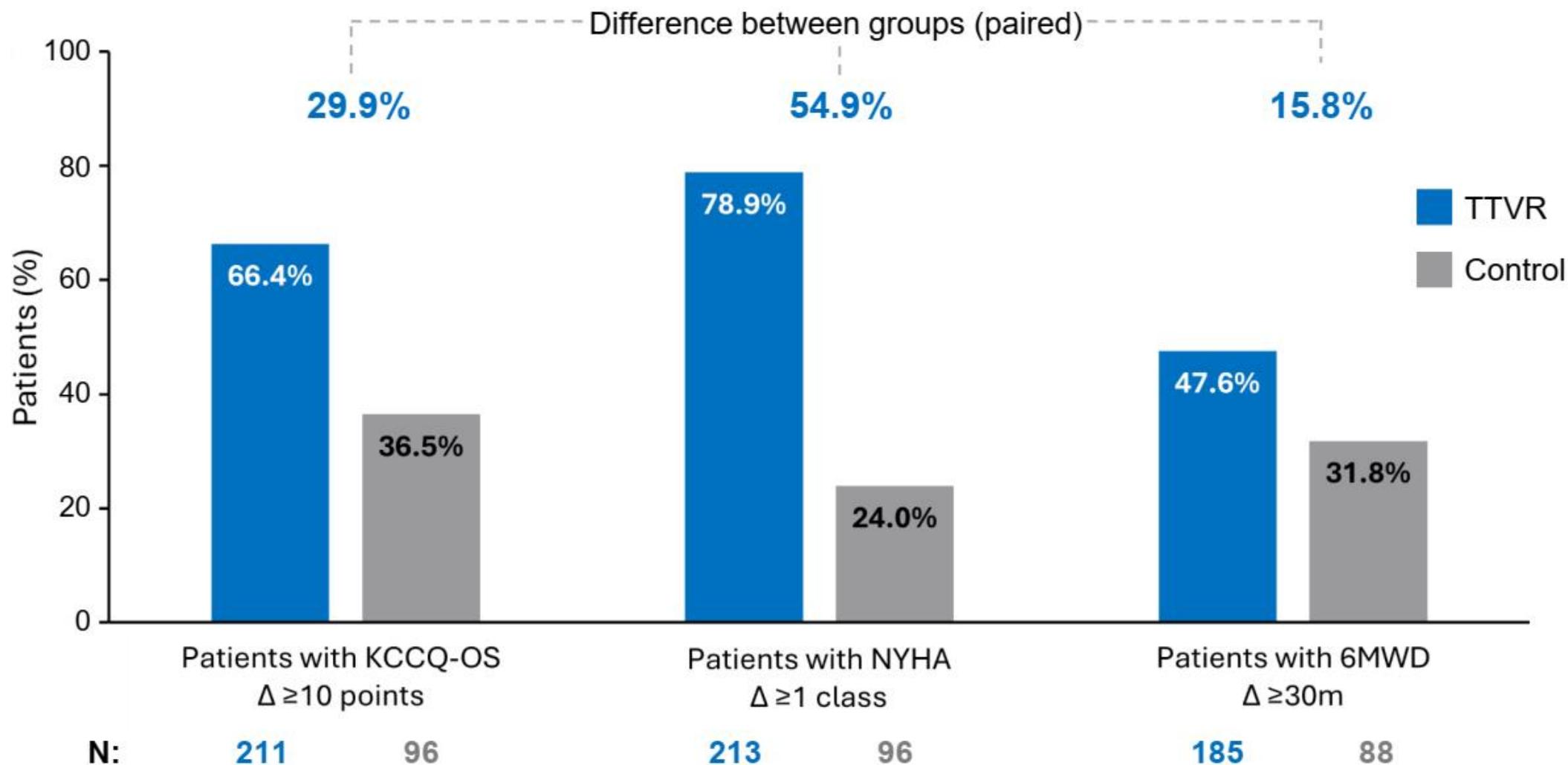
Ischaemic heart disease

Dilated cardiomyopathy

### Ventricular SMR



# Functional and Quality-of-Life Improvements at 1 Year

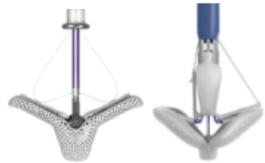


Primary MR

Red Zone Anatomy

Which treatment strategy should be preferred?

TEER



TMVR



# CHOICE-MI

Choice of Optimal transCatheter trEatment for  
Mitral Insufficiency

**TMVR with  
dedicated devices**

**N=436**

**40 centers**



# PRIME-MR

MITRAL VALVE EDGE-TO-EDGE REPAIR IN  
PRIMARY MITRAL REGURGITATION

**TEER for  
primary MR**

**N=3,083**

**25 centers**

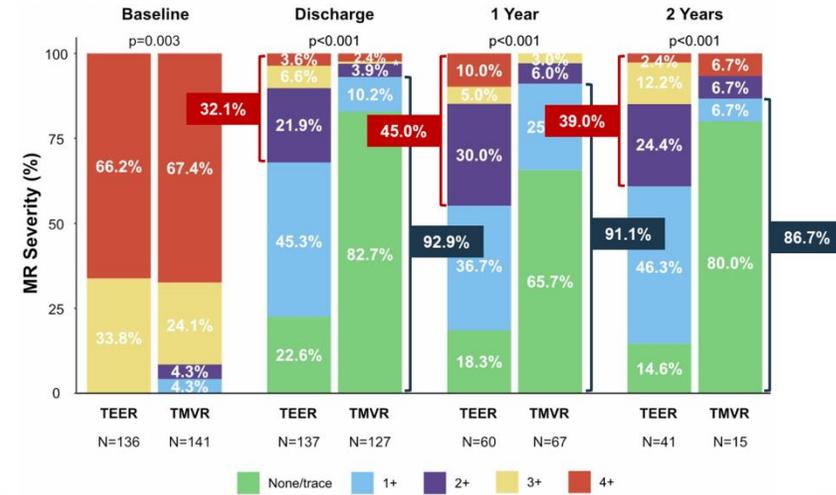
**2 investigator-initiated, international,  
retrospective, multi-center registries**



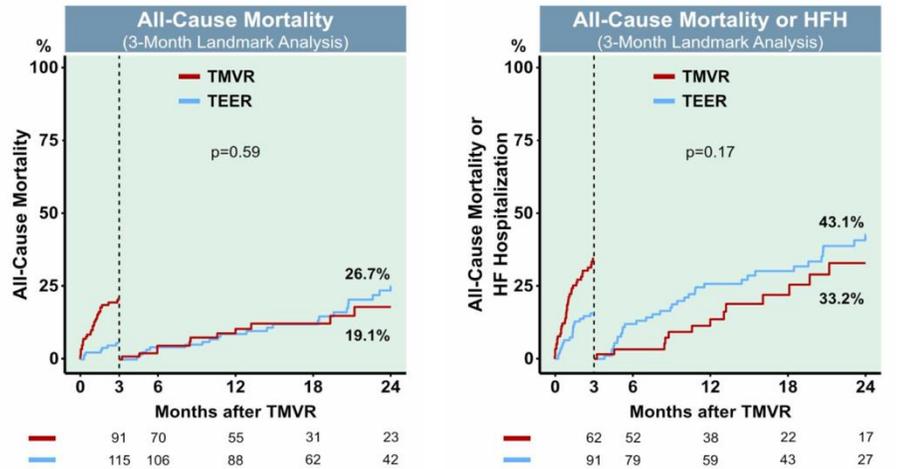
## Baseline characteristics

	TEER (N=141)	TMVR (N=141)	P value
Age (years)	80.0 (76.0, 83.0)	79.0 (76.0, 82.0)	0.27
Male sex, n (%)	78 (55.3)	82 (58.2)	0.72
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	25.4 (21.8, 28.1)	26.1 (22.7, 29.1)	0.15
EuroSCORE II (%)	4.8 (2.7, 9.5)	6.6 (3.8, 10.4)	0.11
STS PROM (MV repair) (%)	4.0 (2.4, 6.7)	4.0 (2.7, 6.1)	0.78
Atrial fibrillation, n (%)	107 (77.5)	95 (75.4)	0.79
COPD, n (%)	26 (20.5)	23 (16.3)	0.47
Diabetes, n (%)	35 (26.9)	42 (29.8)	0.70
CAD, n (%)	71 (53.0)	79 (62.7)	0.14
Prior myocardial infarction, n (%)	19 (16.4)	29 (21.0)	0.44
Prior CABG, n (%)	23 (18.5)	32 (22.7)	0.50
eGFR (mL/min/1.73m <sup>2</sup> )	49.1 (34.9, 59.6)	48.0 (36.9, 59.0)	0.76
HF hospitalization (prior 12 months), n (%)	56 (60.9)	88 (63.8)	0.76

## Mitral Regurgitation



## 3-Month Landmark Analysis



## 30-Day MVARC Outcomes

