

FEVAR

**FIFTEEN YEARS
OF EFFICIENCY**

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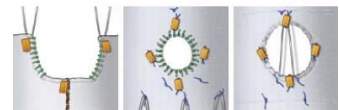
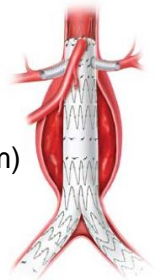
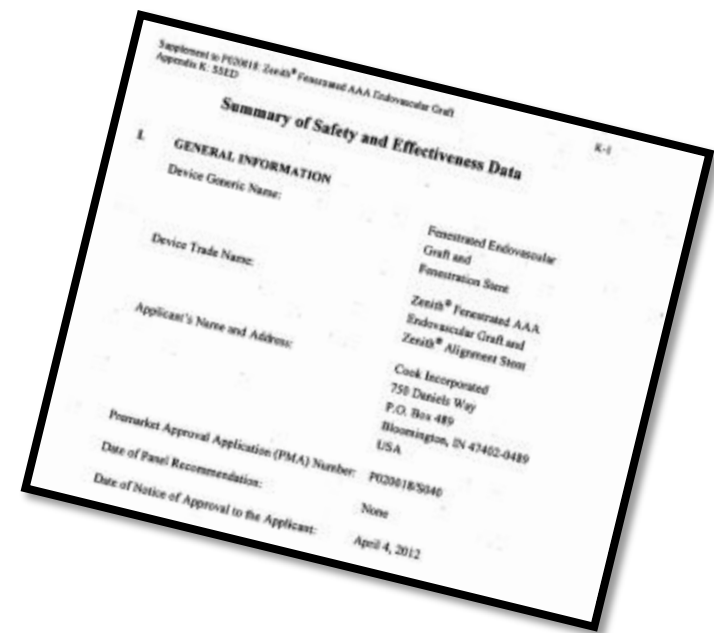
GETINGE * Symposium
Importance of durable ancillary products in complex endovascular procedures
Moderator: **Jean Paul de Vries**
FEVAR fifteen years of efficiency, **Eric Ducasse**
What are the latest findings after the PERICLES Registry about CHEVAR, **Konstantinos Donas**



CX Great Debate
"FEVAR is best for juxtarenal aneurysmal repair"
AGAINST the motion
co-speakers : **Eric Ducasse, Konstantinos Donas**

A BIT OF HISTORY

- **First use of F-EVAR : 1990s**
 - Park et al. J Vasc Interv Radiol. 1996;7:819-823.
 - Faruqi et al. J Endovasc Surg. 1999;6:354-358.
 - Browne et al. Eur J Vasc Endovasc Surg. 1999;18:445-449.
 - Kinney et al. J Endovasc Ther. 2000;7:192-197.
- **First series of patients from Australia : 2001**
 - Anderson et al. J Endovasc Ther. 2001;8:3-15.
- **Early experience in the US with physician-sponsored (PS)-IDE trials : 2005**
 - Much of procedural protocols, device enhancements, and understanding of device and repair durability have arisen from these assessments
 - **Roy Greenberg and the Cleveland Clinic**
 - First fenestrated endograft : 2001
 - more rudimentary than those employed in the US ZFEN clinical trial, as they lacked reinforced fenestrations
 - First report : 2004 (**22** patients)
 - Greenberg et al. J Vasc Surg. 2004;39:279-287.
 - Second report : 2006 (**119** patients, 302 renal and visceral vessels)
 - O'Neill et al. Eur J Vasc Endovasc Surg. 2006;32:115-123.
- **April 2012 : FDA approval of the ZFEN system (Cook Medical) in the US for short infrarenal necks (4–14 mm)**
 - **Long-term results : 2015 (607** patients with a mean follow-up of 8 years)
 - Mastracci et al. Twelve-year results. J Vasc Surg. 2015;61:355-364.



MAIN RESULTS : VS OSR

Eur J Vasc Endovasc Surg. 2009 Jul;38(1):35-41. doi: 10.1016/j.ejvs.2009.02.012. Epub 2009 Apr 5.

Modern treatment of juxtarenal abdominal aortic aneurysms with fenestrated endografting and open repair--a systematic review.

Nordon IM¹, Hinchliffe RJ, Holt PJ, Loftus IM, Thompson MM.

No randomised studies were identified

F-EVAR

8 cohort studies
368 patients

OSR

12 cohort studies
1164 patients

OSR vs F-EVAR	P value	RR
30-day mortality ↗ 2%	0.02	1.03 (95%CI: 1.01-1.04)
Postoperative permanent dialysis	1	1.00 (95%CI: 0.99-1.01)
Transient renal failure ↗	0.03	1.06 (95%CI: 1.01-1.11)
Early reintervention ↘	0.0001	0.87 (95%CI: 0.81-0.93)

BUT

Table 1 Grouped preoperative demographics and comorbidities in open and f-EVR cohorts (where data available).

	f-EVR	Open	Sig
Gender (F/M)	51/300	200/881	0.09
Age (yr (±SD))	71.8(±2.4)	73.8(±1.9)	0.0001
Ischaemic heart disease	55%	58%	0.35
Renal disease	24%	22%	0.5

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Table I. Clinical and demographic features

Variable	Unmatched cohort		
	FEVAR (n = 55)	OSR (n = 319)	P
Age, mean ± SD, years	73 ± 9.3	74 ± 8.0	.8
Male sex, %	91	70	.001
History of aneurysm, %	7.3	5.3	.7
Hypertension, %	65	90	<.0001
MI, %	35	34	.9
CHF, %	24	7.5	.0002
CAD, %	56	23	<.0001
COPD, %	44	24	.003
CVA, %	11	7.9	.1
Diabetes, %	22	11	.02
Smoking, %	60	78	.005
CRI, %	24	19	.5
Clamp, %			
Suprarenal	53	76	.0003
Supravisceral	47	24	.0003

OSR and F-EVAR

are offered to **different population targets**

may be secondary to the selection bias of F-EVAR being offered to high-risk patients?

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	FEVAR (n = 55)	OSR (n = 319)	P	FEVAR (n = 42)	OSR (n = 147)	P
Age, mean ± SD, years	73 ± 9.3	74 ± 8.0	.8	73 ± 10	73 ± 7.8	.8
Male sex, %	91	70	.001	88	82	.4
History of aneurysm, %	7.3	5.3	.2	4.8	5.4	.3
Hypertension, %	65	90	<.0001	74	80	.4
MI, %	35	34	.9	26	36	.2
CHF, %	24	7.5	.0002	14	12	.6
CAD, %	56	23	<.0001	43	34	.3
COPD, %	44	24	.003	36	25	.2
CVA, %	11	7.9	.1	7.1	7.5	.3
Diabetes, %	22	11	.02	19	14	.5
Smoking, %	60	78	.005	67	71	.6
CRI, %	24	19	.5	26	20	.4
Clamp, %						
Suprarenal	53	76	.0003	57	63	.5
Supravisceral	47	24	.0003	43	37	.5

CAD, Coronary artery disease; CHF, congestive heart failure; COPD, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; CRI, chronic renal insufficiency; CVA, cerebrovascular accident; FEVAR, fenestrated endovascular aneurysm repair; MI, myocardial infarction; OSR, open surgical repair; SD, standard deviation.

Early results of fenestrated endovascular repair of juxtarenal aortic aneurysms in the United Kingdom.

British Society for Endovascular Therapy and the Global Collaborators on Advanced Stent-Graft Techniques for Aneurysm Repair (GLOBALSTAR) Registry¹.

**GLOBALSTAR
F-EVAR**

**UK Multicentric study (14)
Retrospective
January 2007-December 2010
318 patients**



Table 3. Target Vessels

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CA	
SMA	

Using V-POSSUM Scoring System and Predicted Risk of Open Repair
27 perioperative deaths (11%) were estimated for open repair
in the cohort that underwent F-EVAR

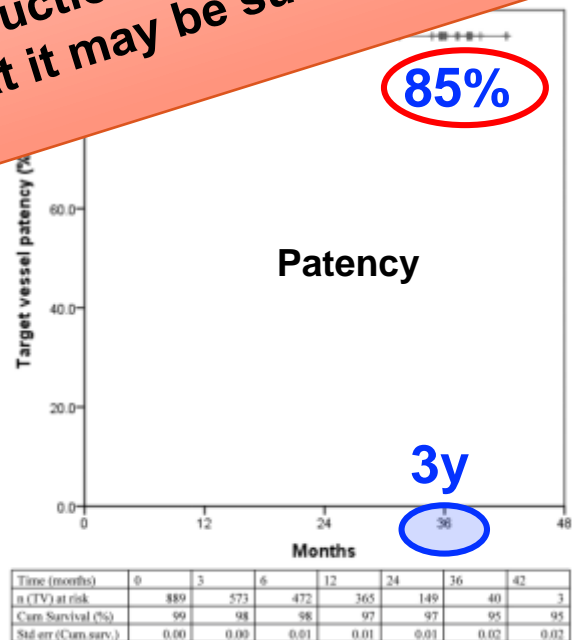
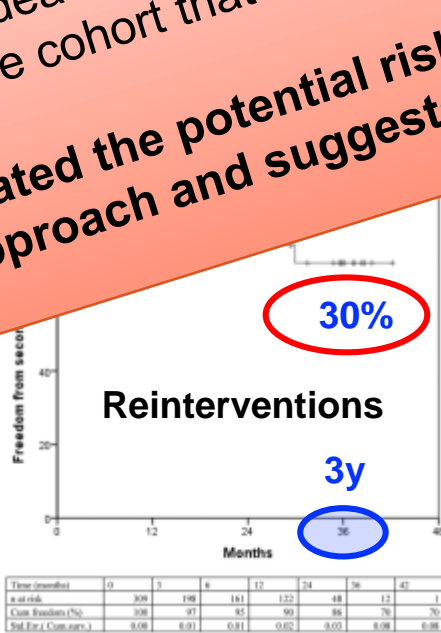
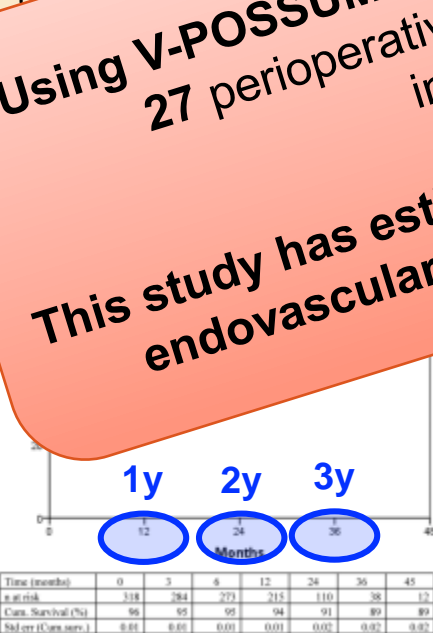
This study has estimated the potential risk reduction associated with an
endovascular approach and suggests that it may be substantial

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Median FU : 6 m

89 (670)

callop;
right;



Fenestrated endovascular grafting: the French multicentre experience.

Amiot S¹, Haulon S, Becquemin JP, Magnan PE, Lermusiaux P, Goueffic Y, Jean-Baptiste E, Cochenec F, Favre JP; Association Universitaire de Recherche en Chirurgie Vasculaire.

F-EVAR
French Multicenter Restrospective
May 2004-January 2009
134 patients

403 visceral vessels

Patency 97%

Target vessel occlusion during follow-up.

Vessel occluded	Preoperative stenosis	Stent fracture	Secondary procedure	Pre-occlusion GFR	Post-occlusion GFR
1 Right renal artery	Yes			57	
2 Left renal artery	No			59	
3 Left renal artery	No			62	

Median FU : 15 months	F-EVAR
1 intraoperative conversion to OSR	
30-day mortality	
Reintervention	
Transient Dialysis	3% (4)
Permanent Dialysis	1% (2)

F-EVAR is safe and effective in preventing rupture in the mid-term
 A predictable high mortality rate was depicted during FU in this high-risk cohort
Meticulous FU to assess sac behaviour and visceral ostia is critical to ensure optimal results

Table 4 Secondary interventions during follow-up.

Complication diagnosed	Secondary intervention (n)
Type IA endoleak	Chimney SMA covered stent + aortic cuff (1)
Type IB endoleak	Palmaz stent implantation (1)
Type II endoleak	Embolisation (2)
Type III endoleak	Covered renal stent (1)
Type III endoleak	Aortic cuff (1)
Renal stent fracture	Renal artery stenting (4)
Renal stent fracture	Hepato-renal bypass (1)
Ilio-femoral bypass proximal stenosis	Angioplasty (1)



Fenestrated stent grafting for short-necked and juxtarenal abdominal aortic aneurysm: an 8-year single-centre experience.

Verhoeven EL¹, Vourliotakis G, Bos WT, Tielliu IF, Zeebregts CJ, Prins TR, Bracale UM, van den Dungen JJ.

F-EVAR IDE protocole
Retrospective study
In a tertiary referral centre

November 2001-April 2009
100 patients



Table 2 Distribution of vessels incorporated in the fenestrated stent graft and type of target vessel

Target vessel	Type
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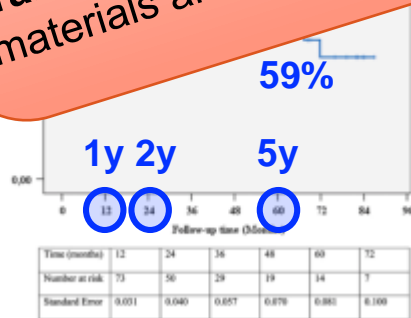
Median FU : 24 months

Technical

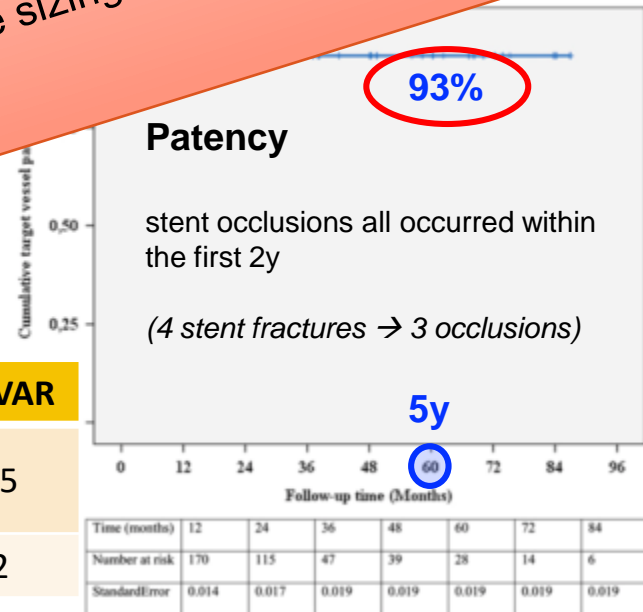
F-EVAR for short-necked and JRAs demonstrates promising results in the mid-term

Renal function deterioration is a concern in a substantial number of patients

To allow widespread application of the technique, continuous efforts must be placed in training new centres on patient selection, device sizing and the development of new materials and techniques



	F-EVAR
↗ serum creat. clear. >30%	25
Dialysis	2



Results of the United States multicenter prospective study evaluating the Zenith fenestrated endovascular graft for treatment of juxtarenal abdominal aortic aneurysms.

Oderich GS¹, Greenberg RK², Farber M³, Lyden S², Sanchez L⁴, Fairman R⁵, Jia F⁶, Bharadwaj P⁶; Zenith Fenestrated Study Investigators.

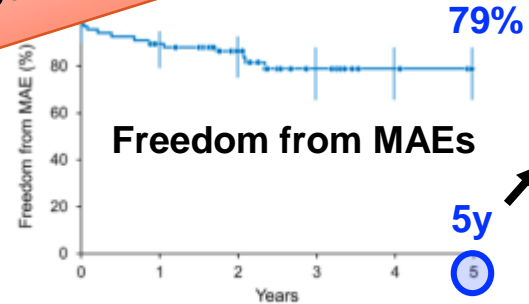
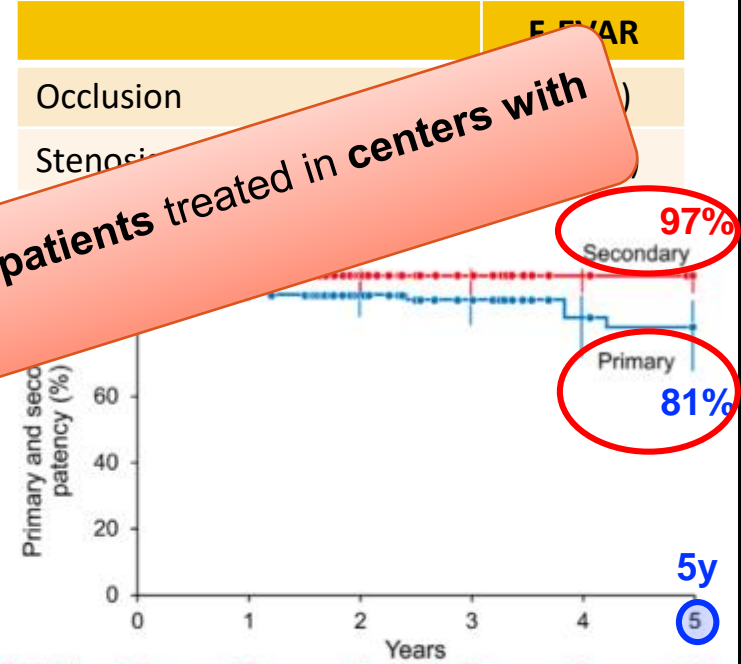
F-EVAR
US Multicenter (14) Prospective
2005-2012
67 patients



178 visceral vessels **Patency**

Mean FU : 37 months	F-EVAR
Technical success	100%
30-day mortality	
Migration >10mm	
Reintervention	22% (15)

Mortality and morbidity are low in properly selected patients treated in centers with experience in these procedures



Survival 91%
No rupture

	0	1	2	3	4	5
No. at risk (secondary)	129	121	91	55	35	26
Cumulative events	0	2	4	4	4	4
Cumulative censored	0	6	34	70	90	99
Kaplan-Meier estimate	1.000	0.984	0.968	0.968	0.968	0.968
Standard error	0.000	0.011	0.016	0.016	0.016	0.016
No. at risk (primary)	129	117	86	51	31	23
Cumulative events	0	6	11	12	14	15
Cumulative censored	0	6	32	66	84	91
Kaplan-Meier estimate	1.000	0.952	0.911	0.896	0.842	0.813
Standard error	0.000	0.019	0.026	0.029	0.046	0.053

Freedom from AKI 100%
 Despite **10%** of radiographic evidence of renal embolization

	0	1	2	3	4	5
No. at risk	67	58	44	24	17	13
Cumulative events	0	7	9	12	12	12
Cumulative censored	0	2	14	31	38	42
Kaplan-Meier estimate	1.000	0.896	0.862	0.791	0.791	0.791
Standard error	0.000	0.037	0.043	0.056	0.056	0.056

Twelve-year results of fenestrated endografts for juxtarenal and group IV thoracoabdominal aneurysms.

Mastracci TM¹, Eagleton MJ², Kuramochi Y², Bathurst S², Wolski K².



607 patients

Table I. Outcome through the entire follow-up period according to device design

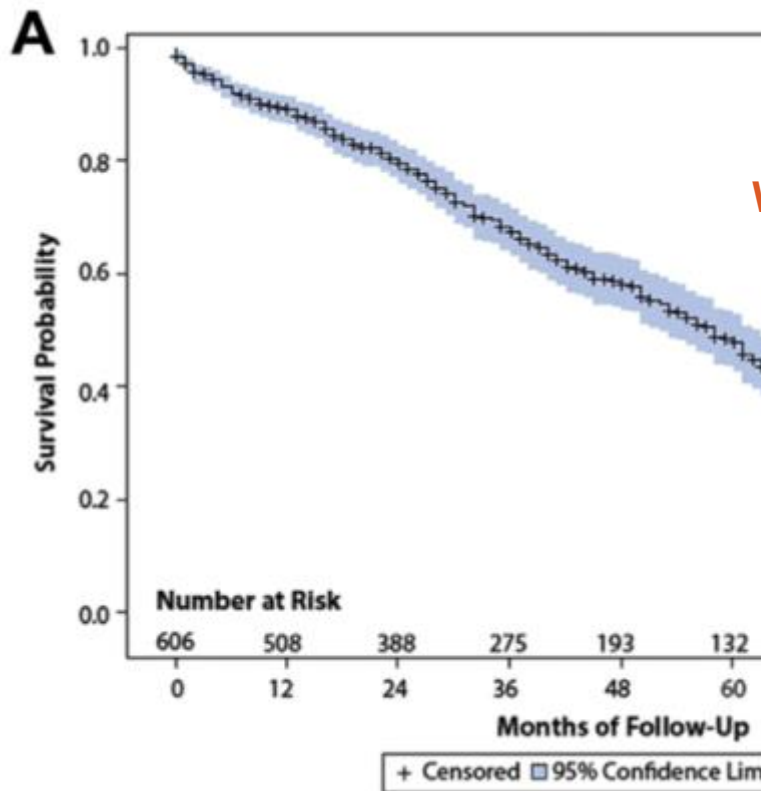
Variables	Supraceliac (n = 58), No. (%)	Celiac scallop (n = 190), No. (%)	SMA or lower (n = 282), No. (%)	Renal or lower (n = 77), No. (%)	P value
Classification					
Group IV	57 (98.3)	187 (98.4)	96 (34.0)	9 (11.7)	<.001
Juxtarenal	1 (1.7)	3 (1.6)	186 (66.0)	68 (88.3)	
Additional procedures	16 (27.6)	47 (24.7)	74 (26.2)	21 (27.3)	.96
Additional procedures					
None	42 (72.4)	143 (75.3)	208 (73.8)	56 (72.7)	
1	14 (24.1)	34 (17.9)	53 (18.8)	16 (20.8)	
2	0 (0.0)	10 (5.3)	18 (6.4)	2 (2.6)	
≥3	2 (3.4)	3 (1.6)	3 (1.1)	3 (3.9)	
Patients with endoleak					
Type I	2 (3.4)	2 (1.1)	6 (2.1)	8 (10.4)	.002
Type II	10 (20.0)	32 (18.5)	43 (16.4)	12 (16.0)	.88
Type III	5 (10.0)	9 (5.2)	7 (2.7)	7 (9.3)	.03
Type IV	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	2 (0.8)	1 (1.3)	.44
Unknown type	3 (6.0)	0 (0.0)	4 (1.5)	2 (2.7)	.02
Occlusion during follow-up	12 (23.5)	14 (8.0)	21 (7.9)	4 (5.3)	.002
Left renal	0 (0.0)	5 (2.9)	10 (3.9)	1 (1.4)	.56
Right renal	0 (0.0)	2 (1.2)	8 (3.0)	3 (4.2)	.29
SMA	0 (0.0)	3 (1.7)	3 (1.1)	0 (0.0)	.85
Celiac	2 (3.4)	3 (1.6)	0 (0)	0 (0)	.02
Stent fracture	0 (0.0)	3 (1.6)	8 (3.0)	3 (4.1)	.44
Component separation	1 (1.9)	1 (0.5)	2 (0.8)	3 (4.2)	.08
Aneurysm growth	3 (5.2)	4 (2.1)	13 (4.6)	2 (2.6)	.42
Stent migration	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	1 (1.3)	.22
Rupture	3 (5.2)	2 (1.1)	8 (2.8)	1 (1.3)	.22

SMA, Superior mesenteric artery.

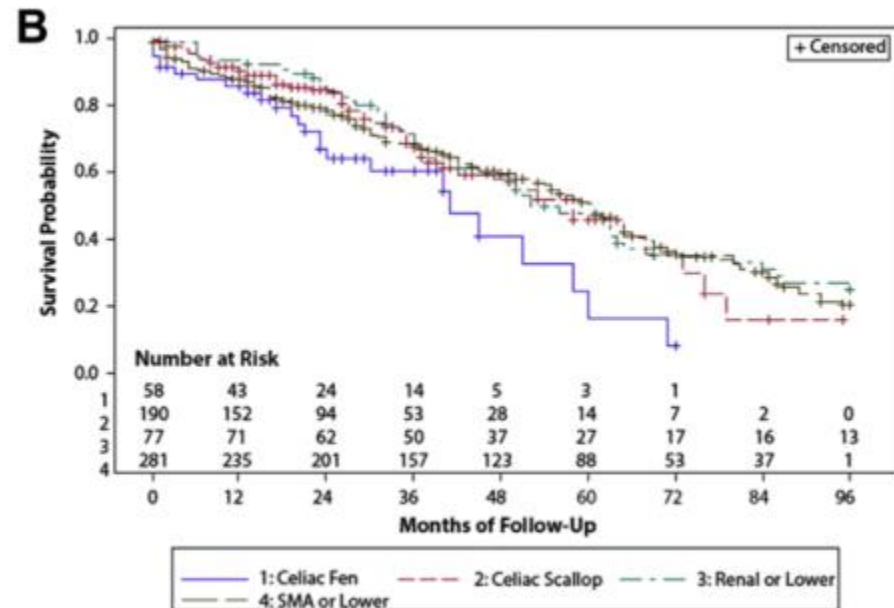
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20% Overall Survival rate @ 8 years
With 2% aortic-related mortality



Worse survival for patients requiring Celiac Fen



OVERALL...

Fenestrated stent grafts for the treatment of complex aortic aneurysm disease: A mature treatment paradigm.

Georgiadis GS¹, van Herwaarden JA², Antoniou GA³, Giannoukas AD⁴, Lazarides MK⁵, Moll FL².

	Outcome measures after F-EVAR
Technical failure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • inadequate device design • suboptimal procedure planning 	1.1-2.1% in specialized centers
30-day mortality	1-3% in specialized centers
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Aneurysm related mortality	10% @ 10y
Target vessel occlusion	1.5% @ 10y
Reinterventions	29% EL related 26% target vessel 13% graft limb

Minimally invasive

- No laparotomy
- No suprarenal cross-clamping

Long-term Results are now reported


• 10-year survival with GAD in specialized centers

Importance

Covered bridging stent use was associated with a lower rate of renal artery stenosis compared to bare-metal stents

However, there was no difference in branch vessel occlusion rates

This has led to the primary use of covered stents when performing F-EVAR, regardless of the need to obtain a seal with the fenestration at that location



• Bare metal Stent can be catastrophic

• Renal artery stenosis deterioration

• Permanent dialysis

BUT Excellent

- Second EL device
- 0%
- 4%
- 6%
- 5%
- Freedom

Mastracci et al.

Migration ≥ 10%

in order to

failure

F-EVAR given the hemodynamic alterations induced by adding stiff stent systems

- ↑ PSV to >280 cm/sec to identify 60-99% renal artery stenosis
- improved Se (93%), Sp (100%) and PPV/NPV (99%)

Mohabbat et al. J Vasc Surg. 2009;49:827-837

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Postop renal impairment Need for hemodialysis	0-29% → 0-6%
Type I EL	3%
Type II EL	16%
Type III EL	4.6%
	20% @ 1y



- 16% of patients without preoperative renal insufficiency
- 39% of those with chronic renal disease
 - ↗ incidence of permanent dialysis
 - ↗ mortality.

eGFR stabilize within 6months of index surgery with a 14% ↘ @3y

Mastracci et al. J Vasc Surg. 2015;61:355-364.

One of the greatest concerns :

- Manipulation and stenting of the renal arteries
- Use of iodinated contrast during the procedure and repeated FU imaging

However, similar rates have been observed after OSR and EVAR

Martin-Gonzalez et al. J Vasc Surg. 2015;62:569-577.

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Longevity of the repair?

- F-EVAR requires more re-interventions in the long-term vs OSR
 - 12.7% vs 4.9%, $p < 0.0001$
- Poor patient selection
- Disease progression +++
 - 2-3% will develop a p...

O'Callaghan et al. J Vasc Surg. 201

↗ type I EL in patients receiving device configurations with only renal fenestrations

We first attempted to treat patients with the shortest amount of coverage possible (≈ 15 -mm)

→ We now search for Higher sealing zones

- Currently, we attempt to achieve a 2- to 3-cm landing zone when extending a repair into the visceral aortic segment while balancing the risks of developing other complications such as spinal cord ischemia

Reinterventions

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Most of these patients had < 2-stent overlap

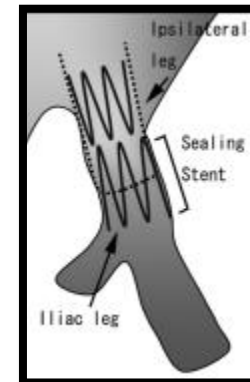
An algorithm was developed to assess the risk of potential component separation

- It predicted the maximum amount of possible intercomponent movement
- thereby deriving the minimum overlap required

A new baseline at attempting to achieve three- to four-stent overlap was determined

Dowdall et al. Eur J Vasc Endovasc Surg. 2008;36:2-9.

Migration \geq 10 mm	1-13%
Reinterventions	29% EL related 26% target vessel related 13% graft limb related



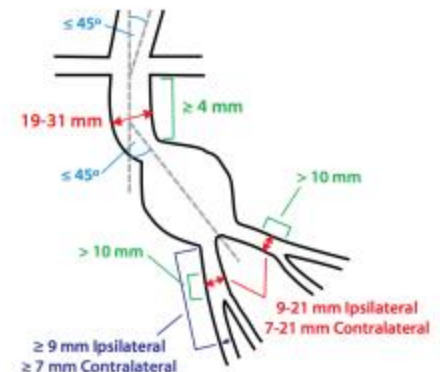
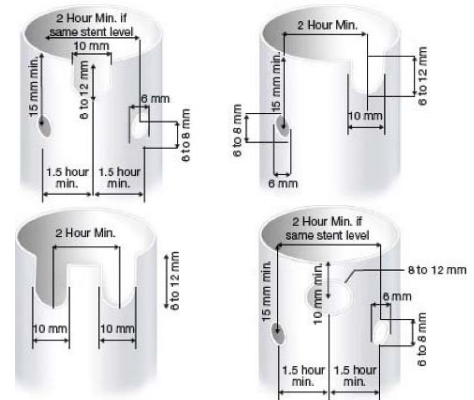
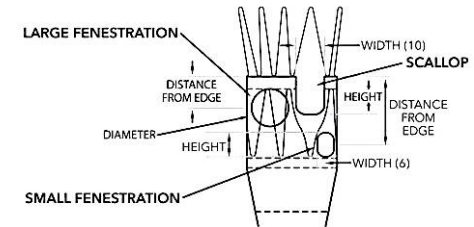
Risk of

- Target vessel/Limb stent crushing and occlusion
- Rupture

BUT....

A lot of Patient remain uneligible for CM F-EVAR :

- **Elective only (6-8 weeks delay)**
 - **NOT FOR Life threatening aneurysms :**
 - *Rapidly expanding*
 - *Symptomatic / Ruptured*
 - *Diameter $\geq 70\text{mm}$ **
- **Limited availability & Elevated cost**
 - **Requires Advanced endovascular skills**
 - *Learning curve during which deaths because of technical errors or intraoperative complications are not uncommon*
 - **Only available in expert centers**
- **REQUIRES Favorable anatomy, NOT FOR:**
 - 1/ Hostile iliac access
 - *20/22 Fr sheaths = minimum 7.7/8.5 mm outer diameter*
 - 2/ Caudal-directed renal arteries ($\leq -30^\circ$)
 - 3/ Target vessel small diameter ($\leq 5\text{mm}$)
 - 4/ Close proximity of SMA and highest renal ($\leq 15\text{mm}$)
 - 5/ Prior aortic reconstruction
 - *anastomotic pseudo-aneurysm or type Ia EL*
 - 6/ Tortuous aortic neck ($> 45^\circ$)
 - 7/ Outcomes strongly correlated to the level and proximal extension of aneurysm disease
 - *poorer long-term outcomes with a device that requires coverage above the celiac artery*



TAKE HOME MESSAGE

- **Available results in specialized centers clearly demonstrate successful use of F-EVAR**
 - More complex designs
 - *Lower rates of type I EL*
 - *98% freedom from aneurysm-related mortality*
 - *BUT higher rates of reintervention*
- **F-EVAR is still in its early phases even though it has the longest reported outcomes compared to other endovascular strategies in JRAs**
- **The current FDA-approved device has limitations and many patients still cannot be treated at this time**
- **There is the need for more advanced devices**
 - easier to use
 - allowing for the incorporation of more visceral vessels and more cephalad extension for improved durability with the same efficacy and safety of use
- **Failure modes are better understood, but in the light of recent findings related to the long-term outcome of infrarenal EVAR, defining the long-term outcome of F-EVAR should remain a priority**



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

