

Approaches for Bicuspid Valve Disease

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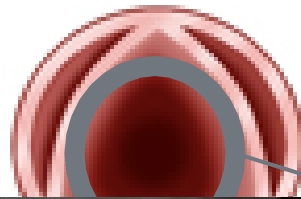
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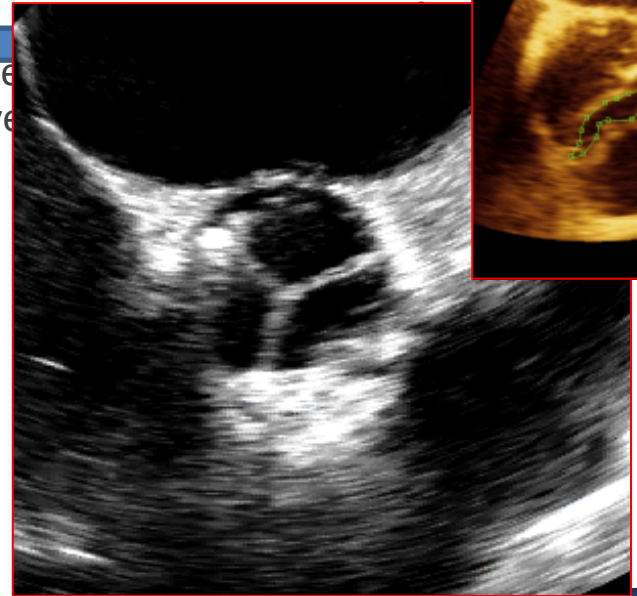
***TAVR devices designed to
treat a relatively circular
annulus***

General Concerns

- Large asymmetric annulus → PVL
- Heavily calcified ^{Tricuspid} annulus → Annular rupture
- Non-circular annulus → Durability

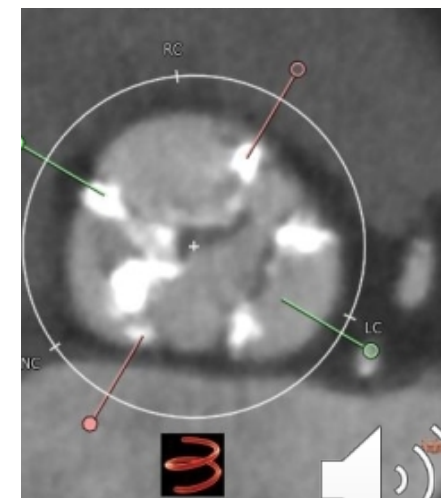
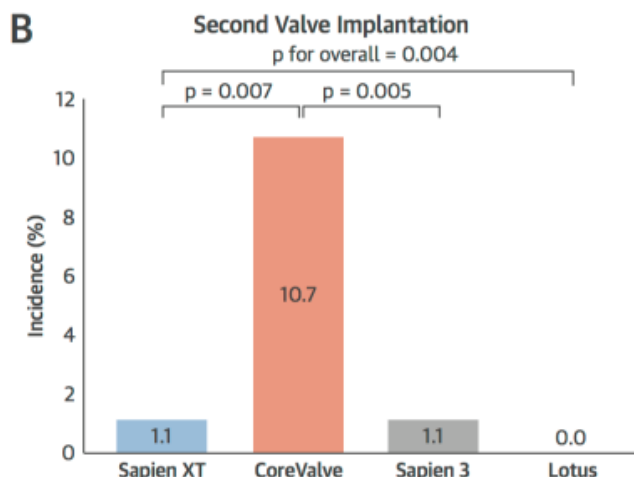
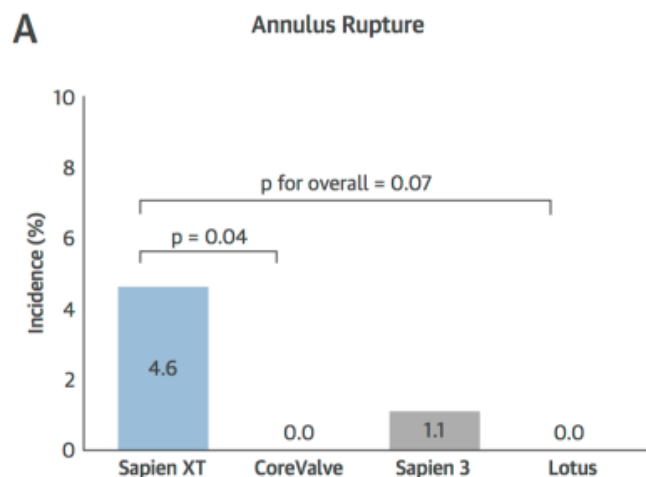
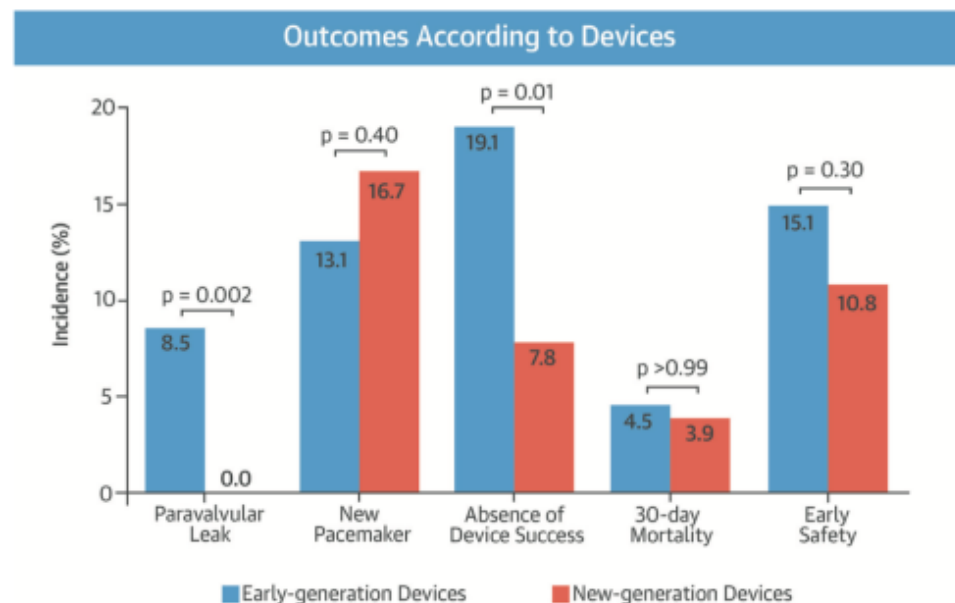


Prosthetic Valve



Unanswered Questions with TAVR

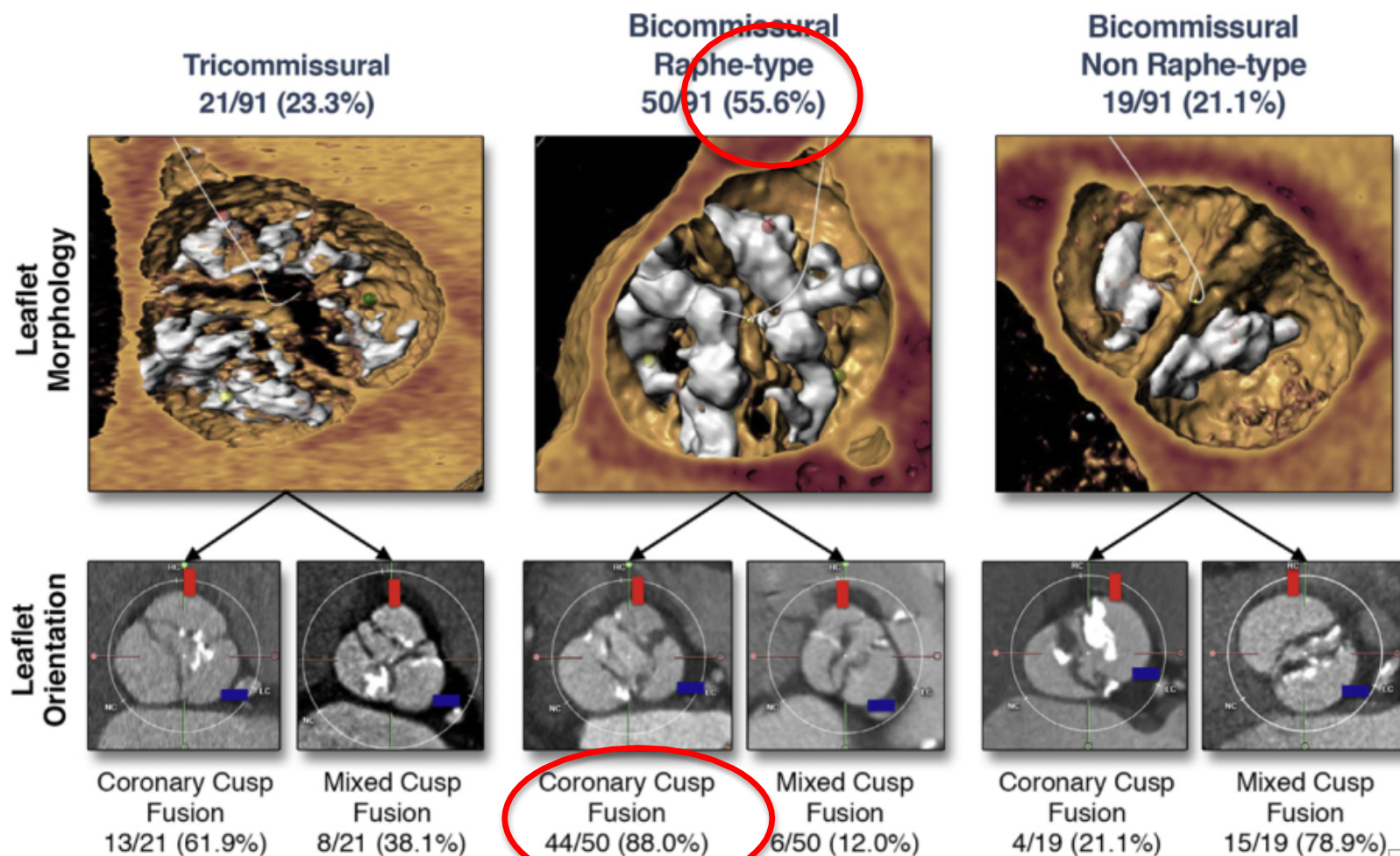
- Bicuspid valves
 - Does valve type matter?
 - Are procedural results comparable to tricuspid valves?
 - Is durability the same?
 - What about aortopathy?



Yoon et al, JACC 2016

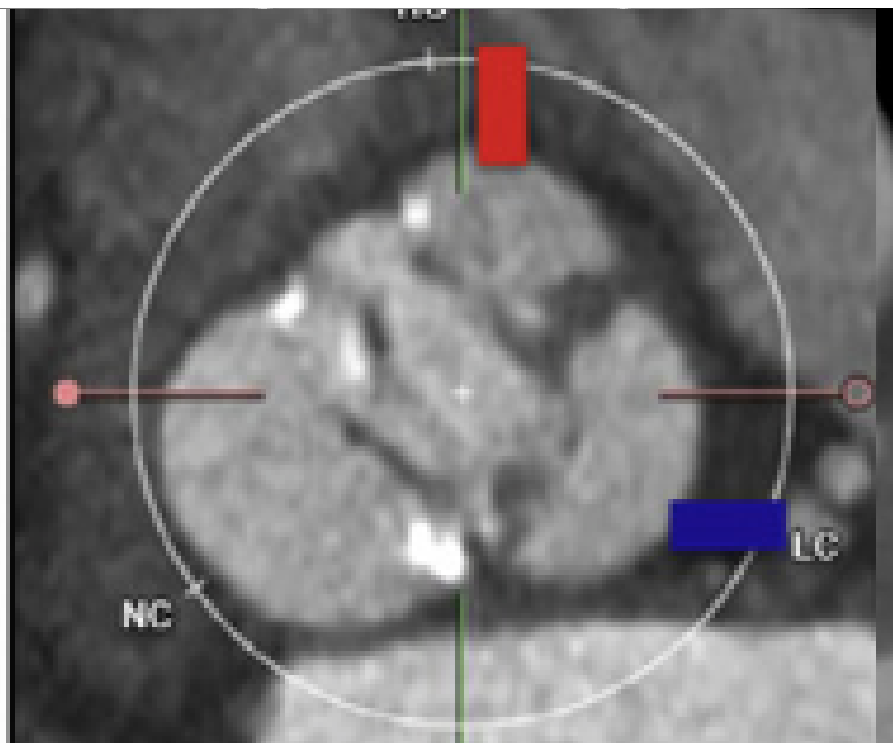
Bicuspid classification

FIGURE 1 Proposed TAVR-Specific BAV Classification

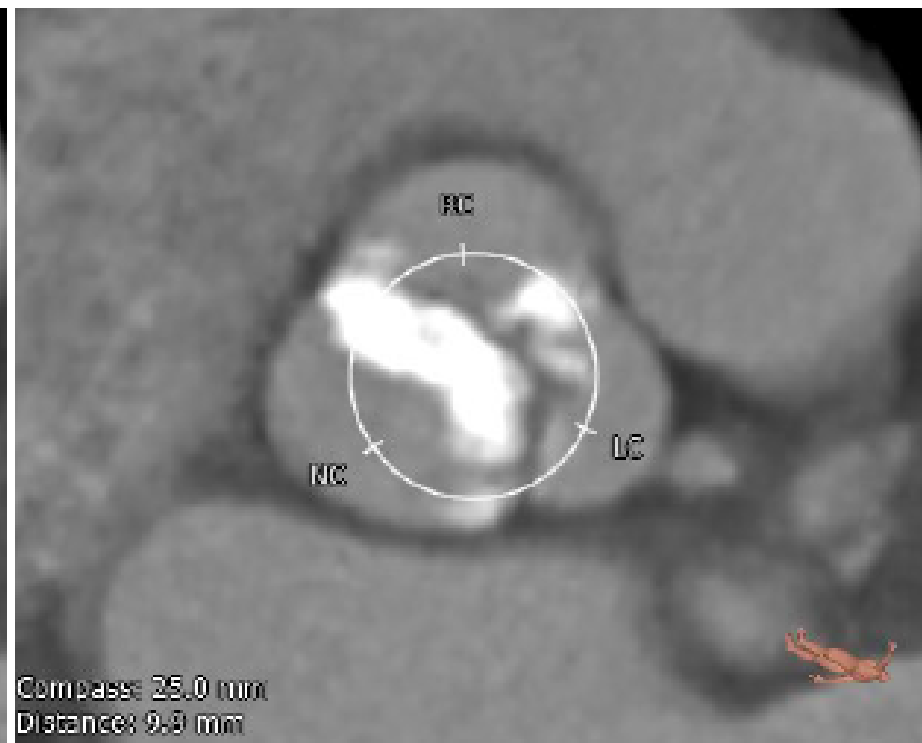


Mild vs Heavy calcifications

Perpendicular Plane



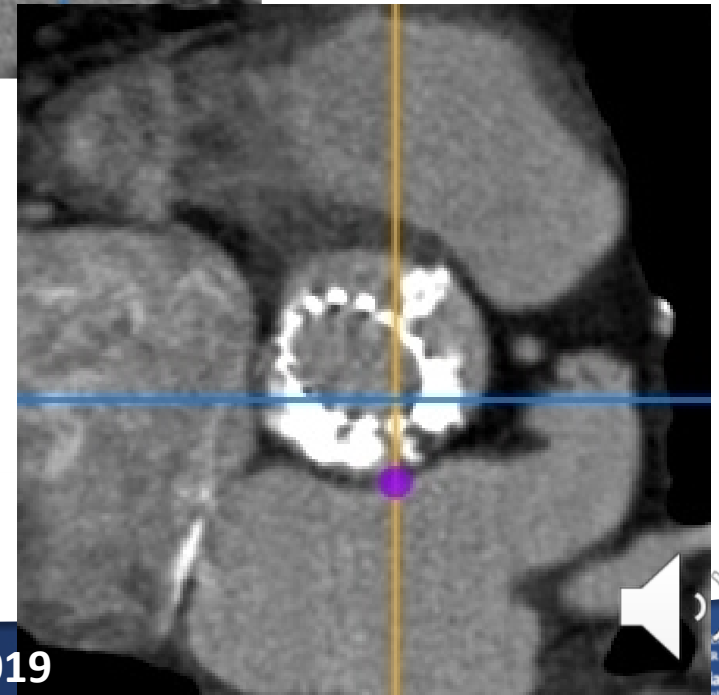
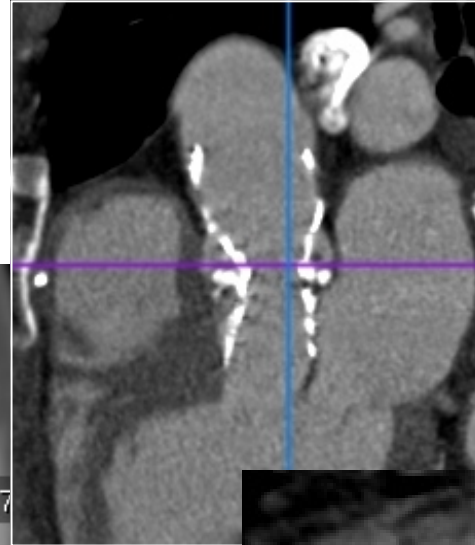
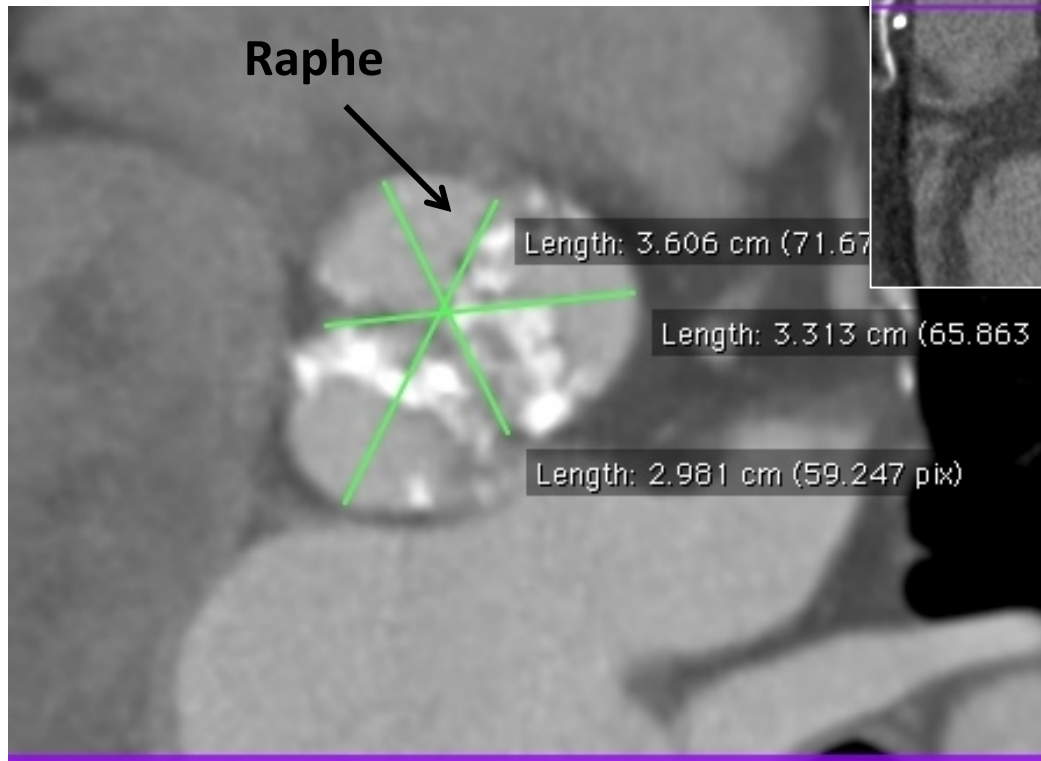
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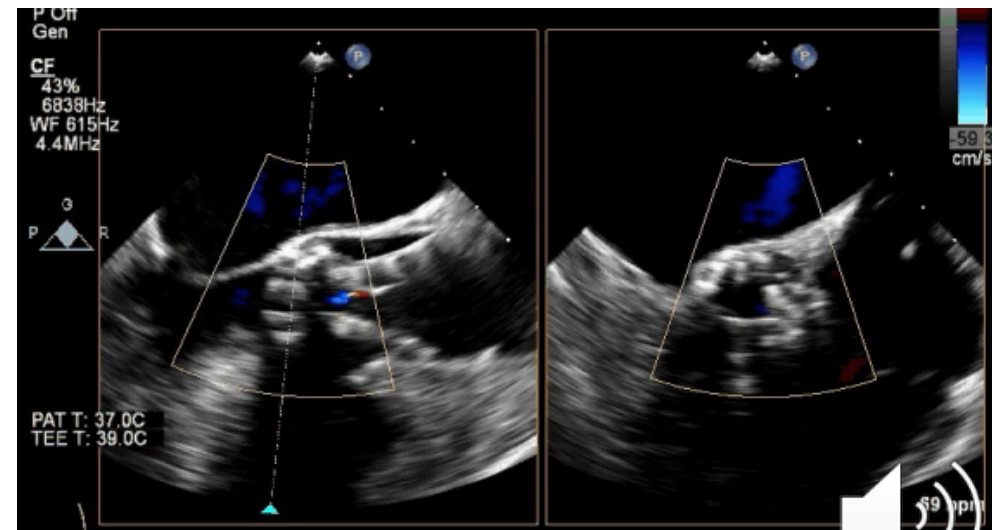
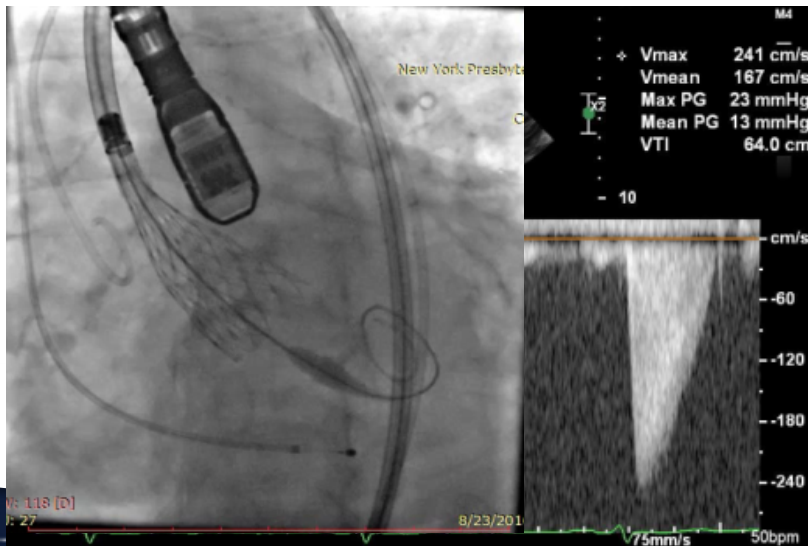
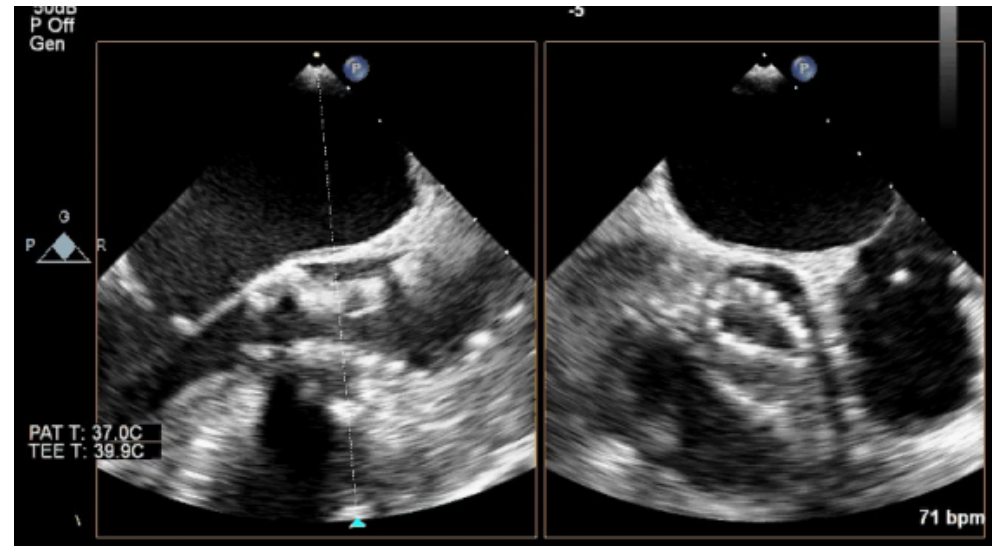
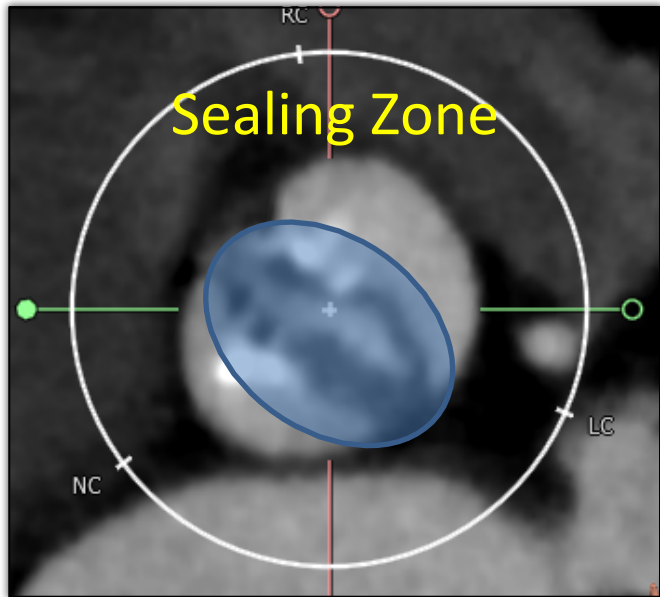
Why does extent and pattern of calcification matter?

Importance of calcium at the raphe: distortion of a “standardly sized” valve

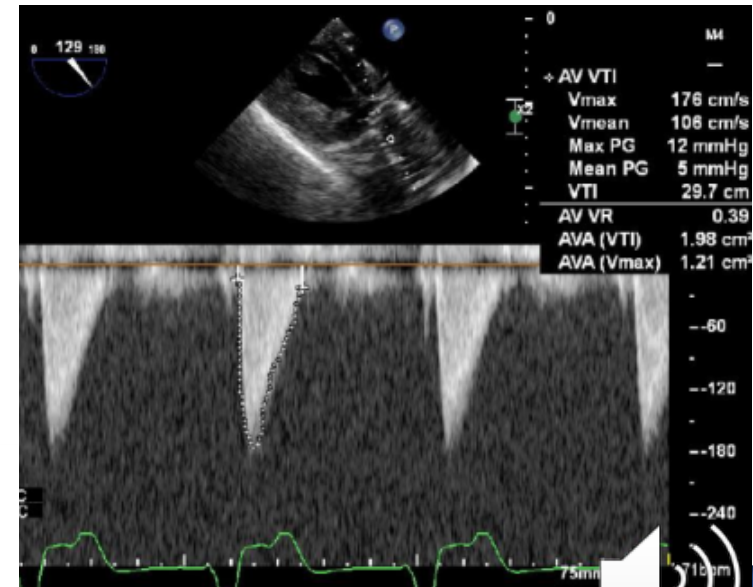
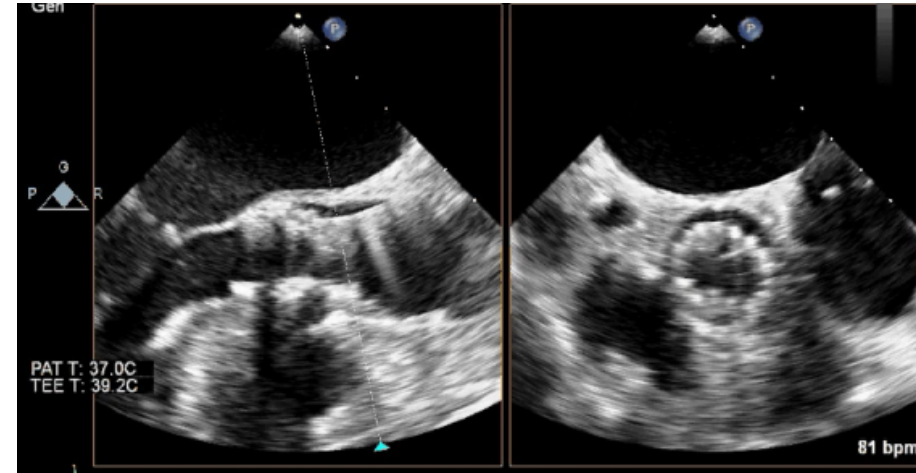
*Raphe prevents valve from
expanding in that direction*



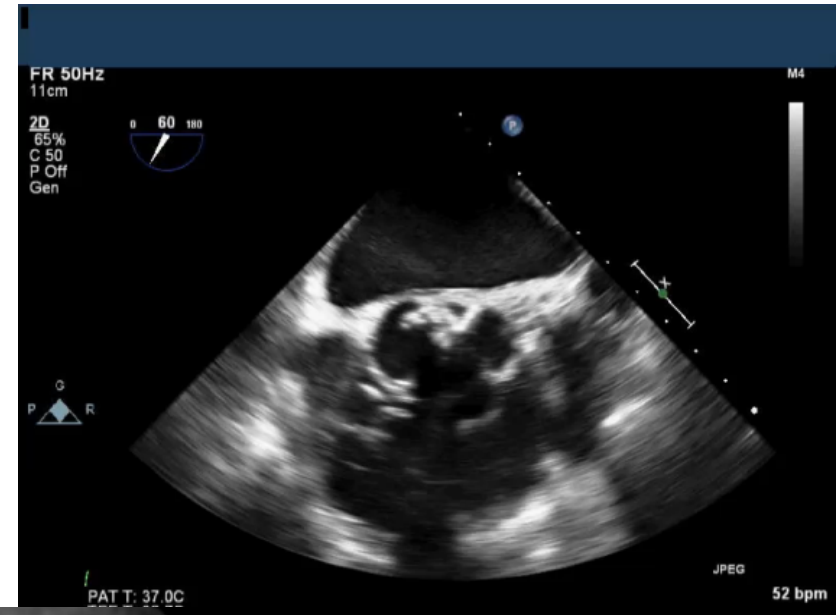
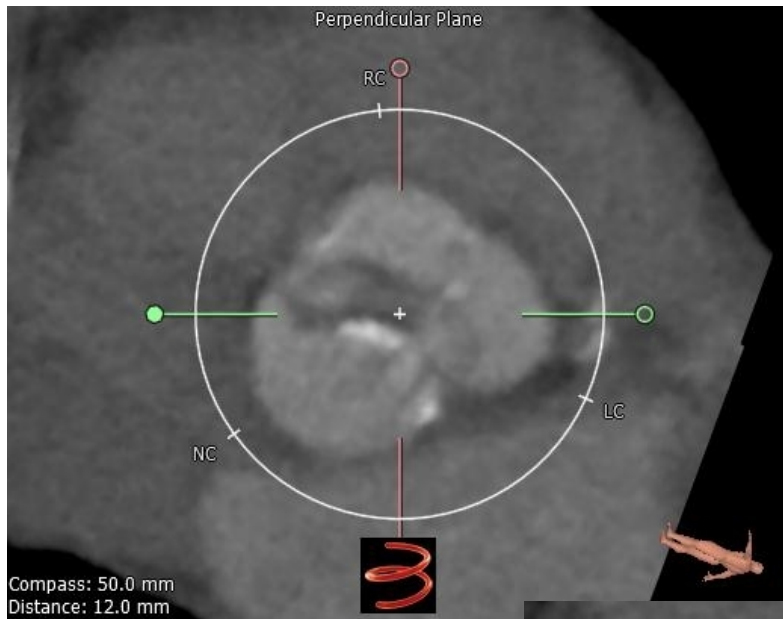
29 mm CoreValve EvolutR



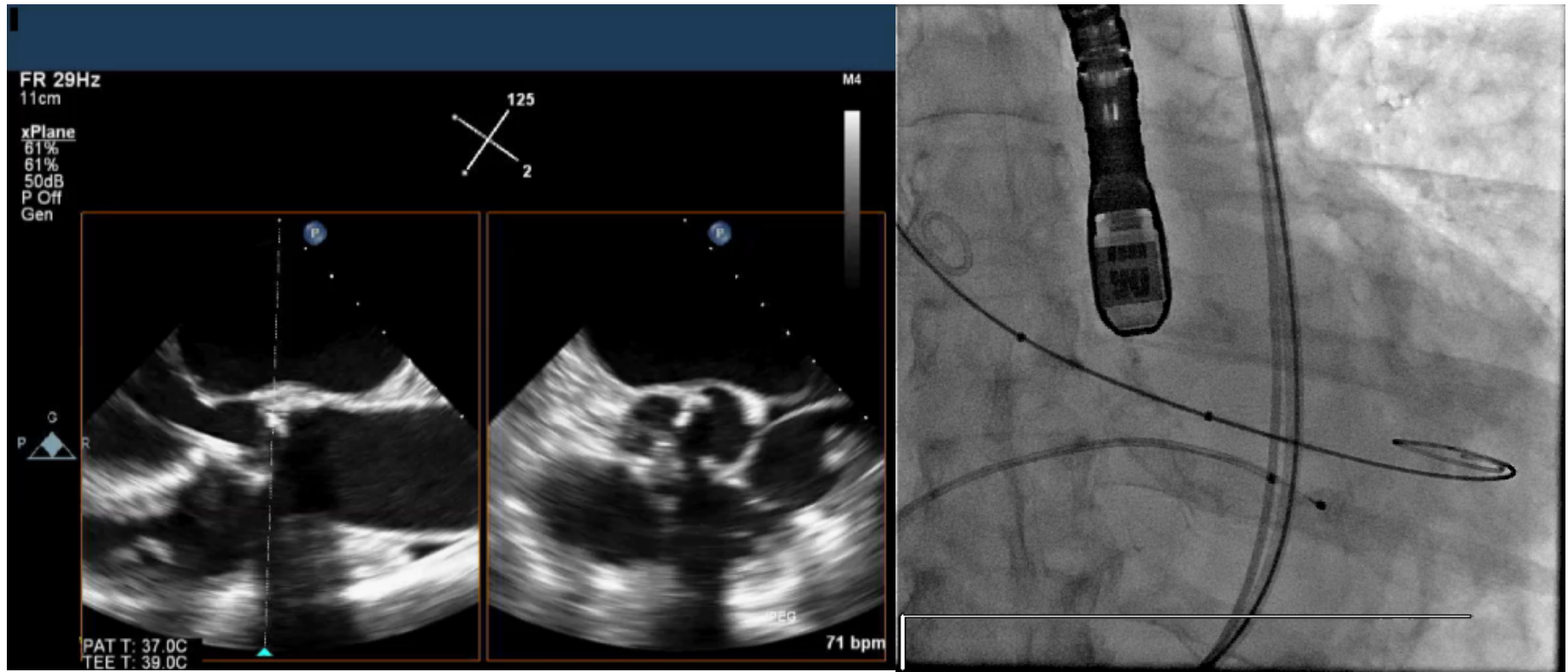
Post Dilatation Zmed 20 mm



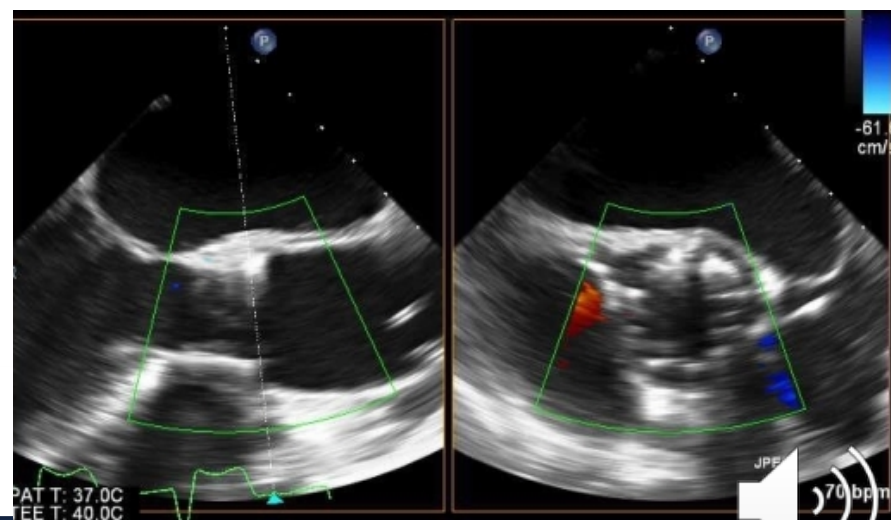
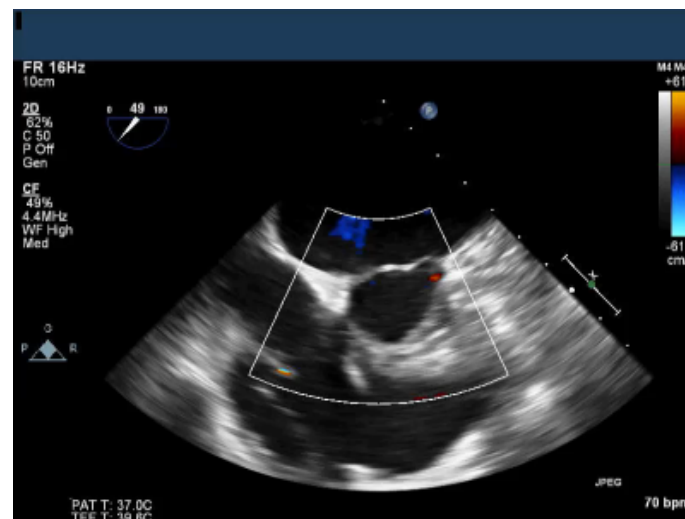
Bicuspid Valve: Minimal Calcium



BAV – observe behavior

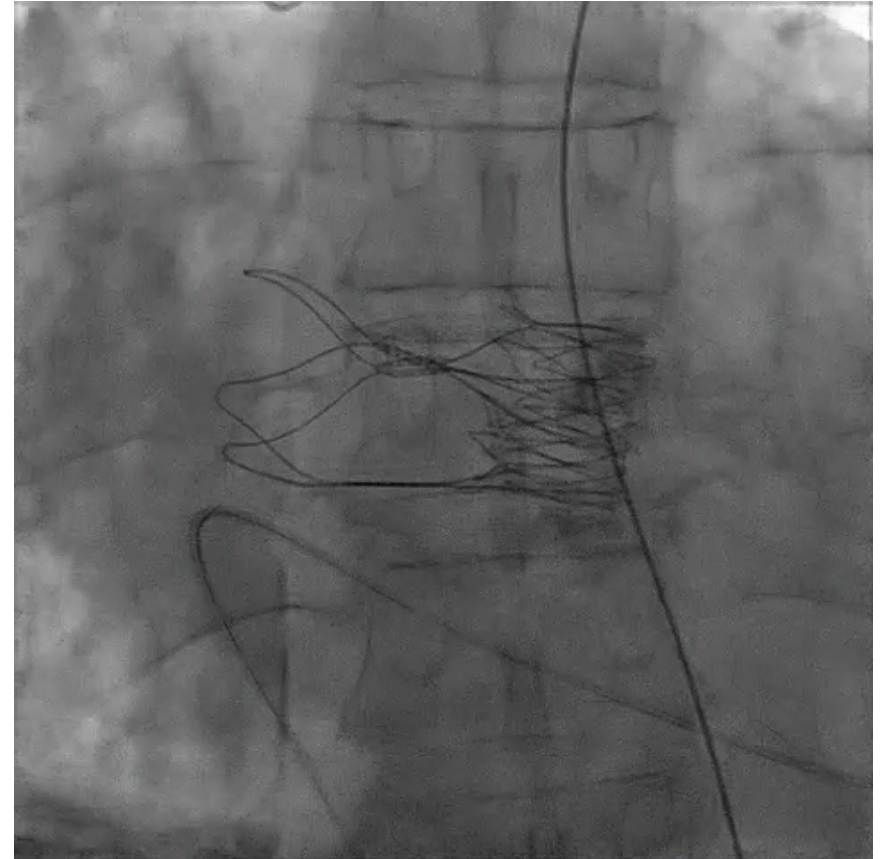
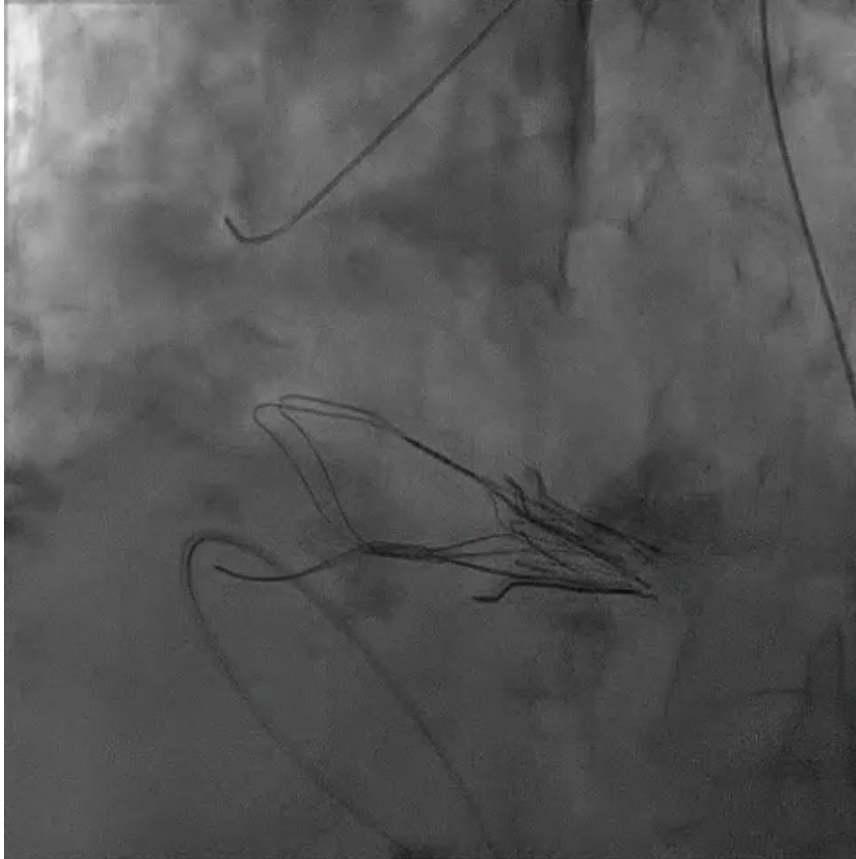


Final position and trace PVL

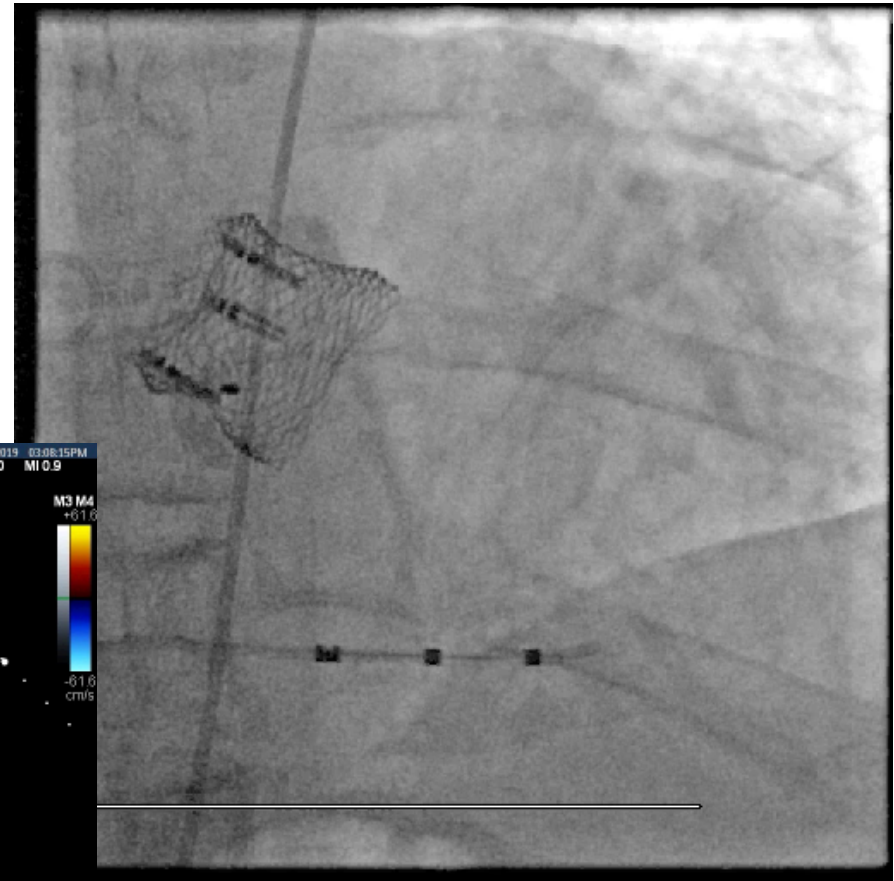
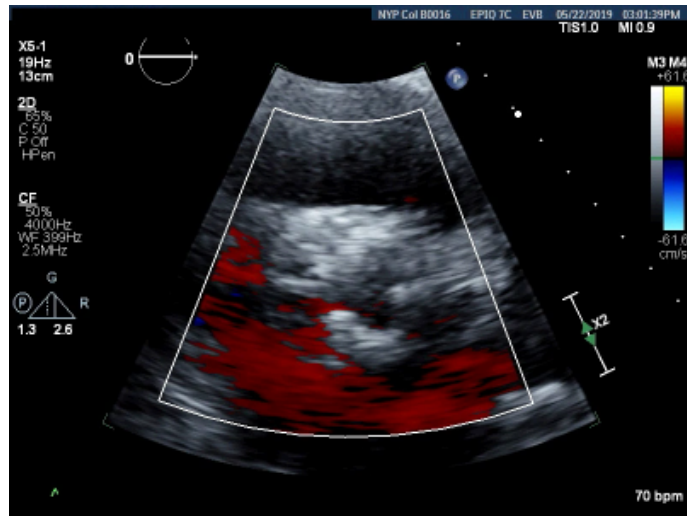


Beware of Heavy Calcium

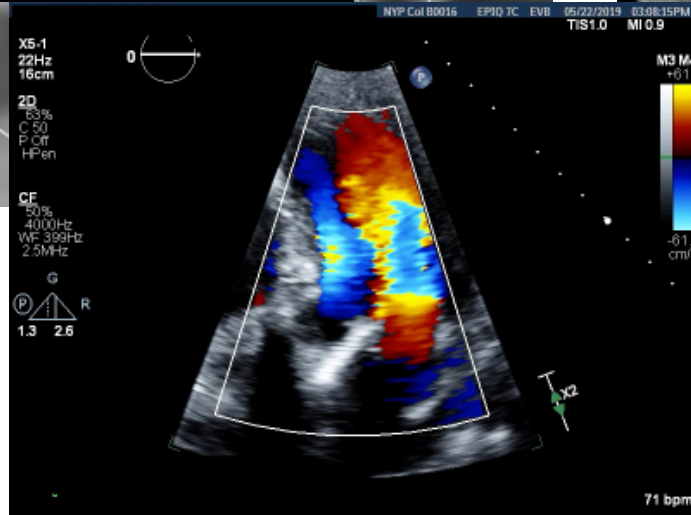
Radial Strength Matters



LOTUS Valve in Bicuspid Valve



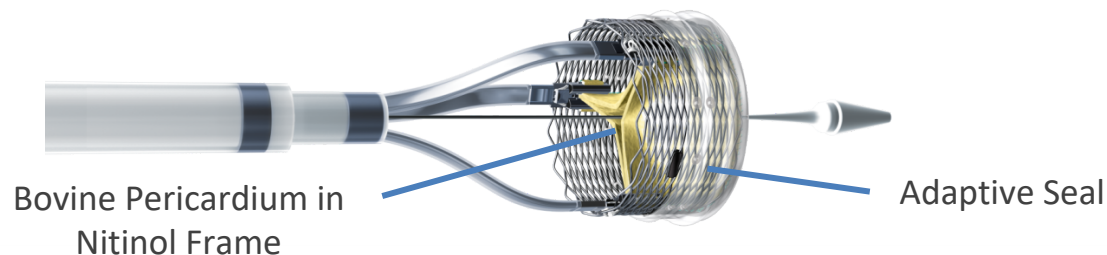
Trace PVL
MG 10 mmHg
AVA 2.0 cm²



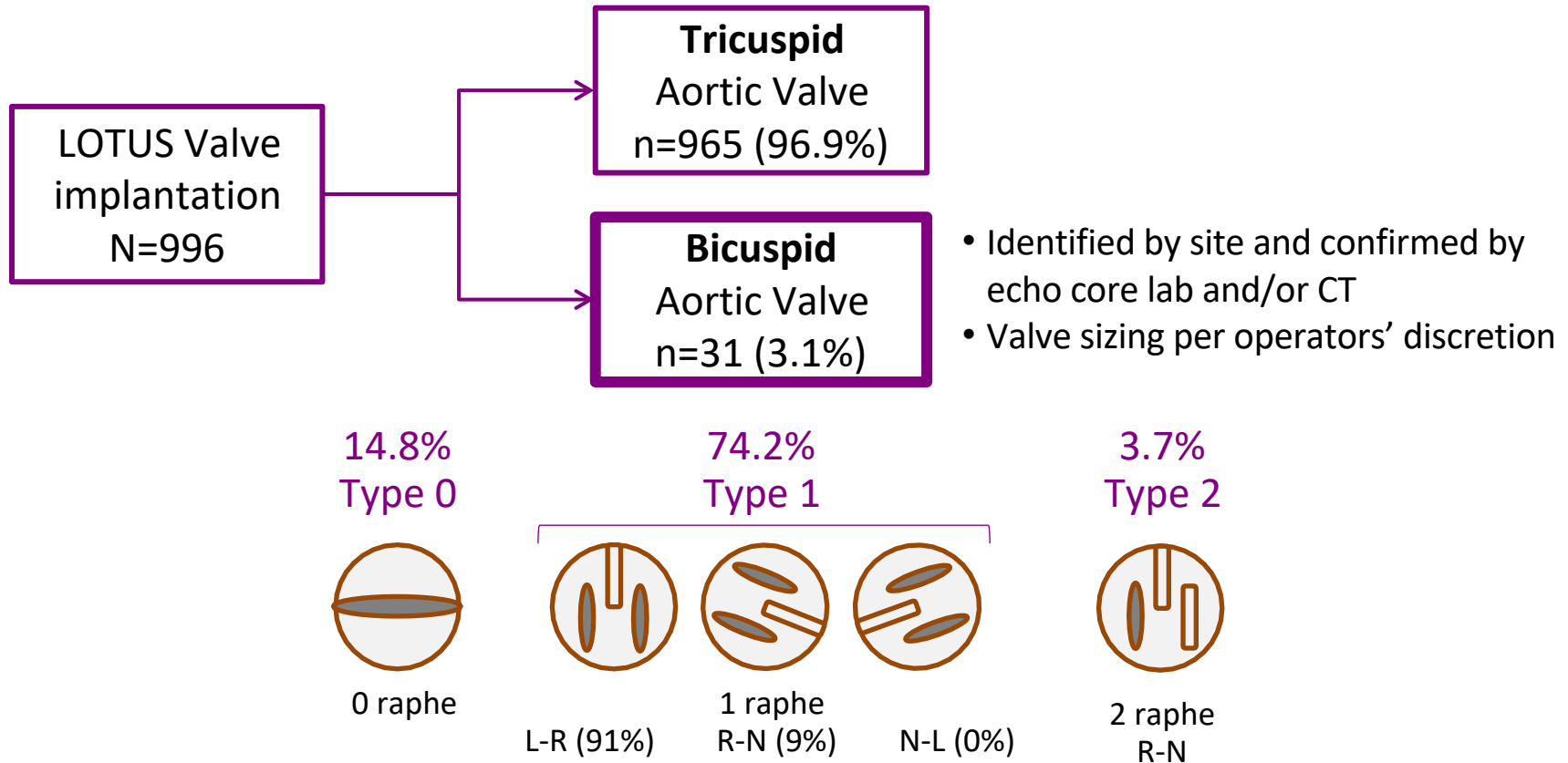
LOTUS Valve in Bicuspid Valve

Potential benefits in bicuspid anatomy:

- Fully retrievable and repositionable → Ensures optimal positioning with stable hemodynamics
- Deployment via gradual mechanical expansion → Low incidence of annular rupture
- Adaptive seal
 - Conforms to irregular anatomic surfaces
 - Designed to reduce PVL



Bicuspid Aortic Valves in RESPOND

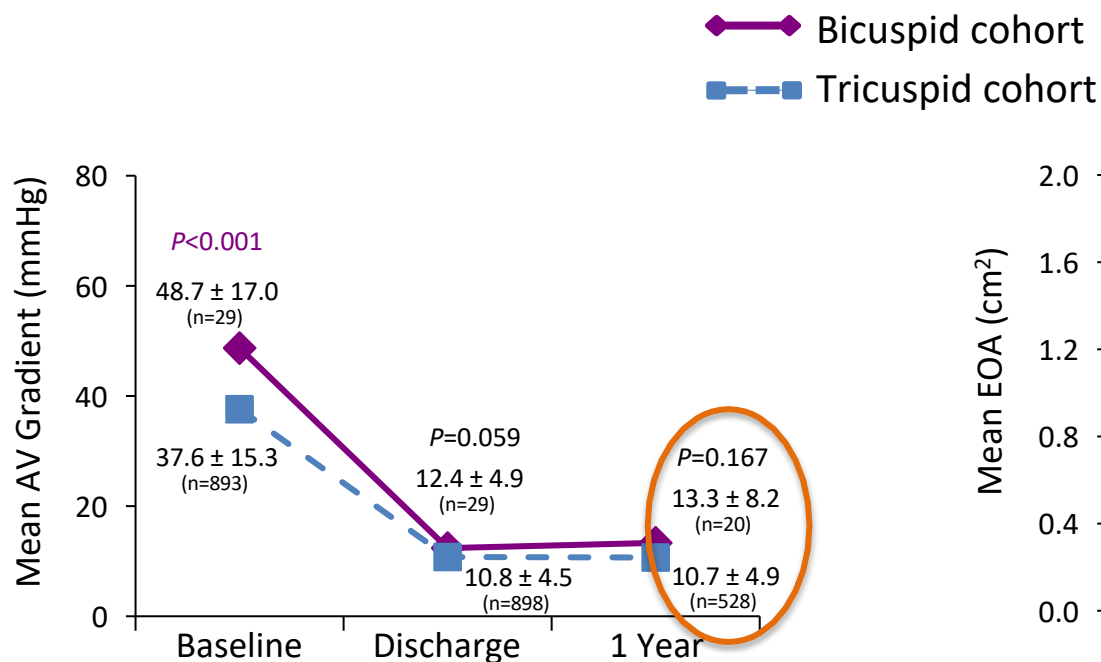


Valve classification schematic modified from: Sievers HH, Schnidtke C. *J Thorac Cardiovasc Surg* 2007;133:1226-33.

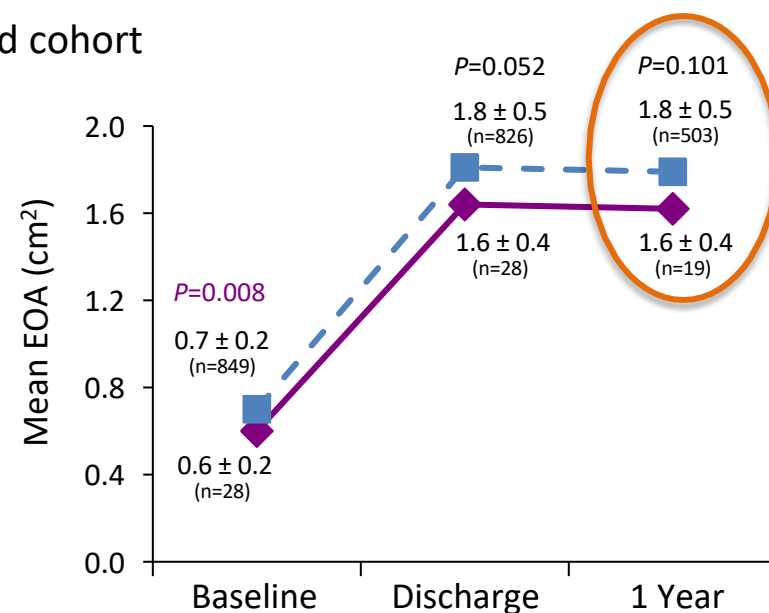
Hemodynamic Improvement

Both cohorts exhibited similar sustained improvements through 1 year

Aortic Valve Gradient



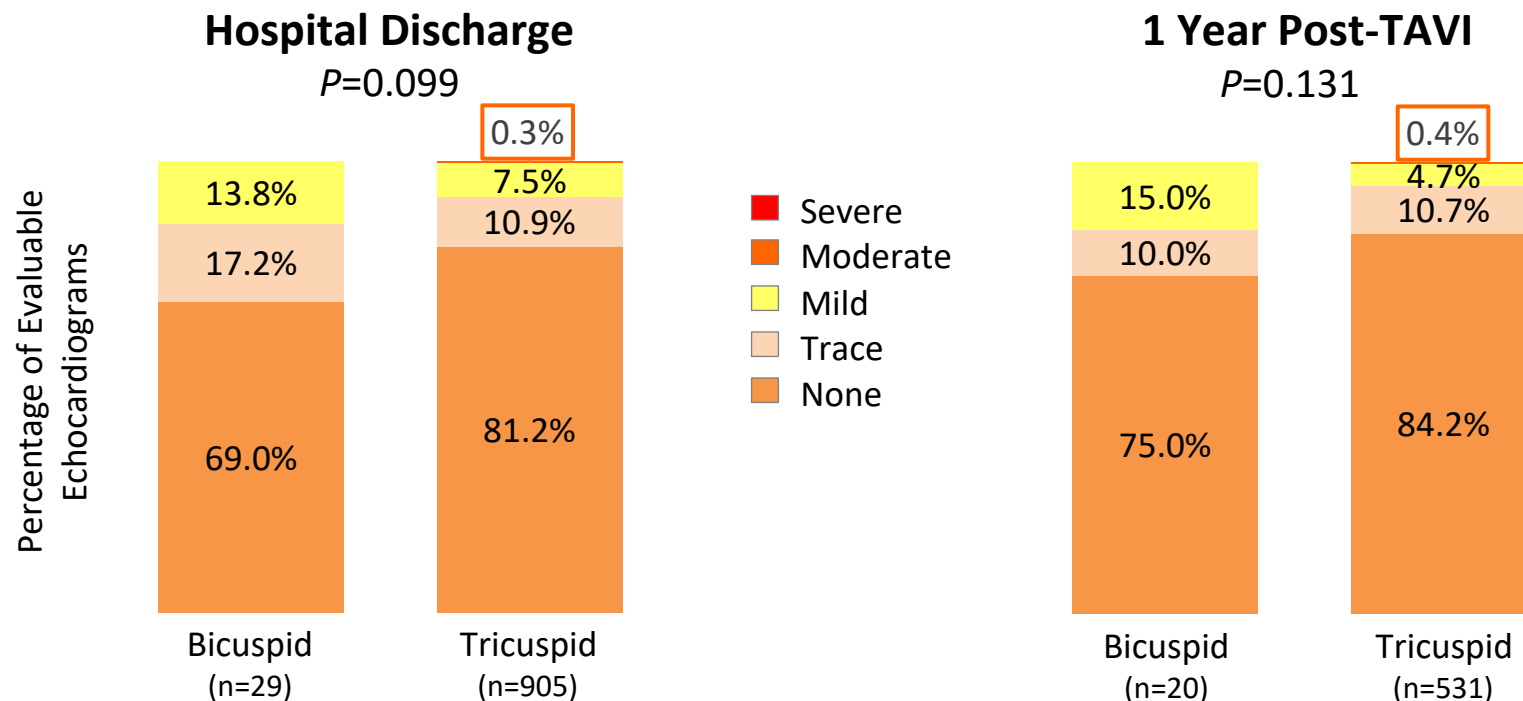
Effective Orifice Area



Core laboratory adjudicated data. Among patients with echocardiographic follow-up available for given time points.

Paravalvular Leak through 1 Year

PVL was low in both cohorts – No patients had severe PVL



Core laboratory adjudicated data. Among patients with echocardiographic follow-up available; data may not add to 100% due to rounding. All categorical comparisons between groups are non-significant.

Considerations in choosing THV in Bicuspid Valve Disease

- Annular size
- Presence of heavily calcified raphe
- Root size
- Type 1 vs Type 0

Bicuspid: Can they be done?

Yes... But with caution!