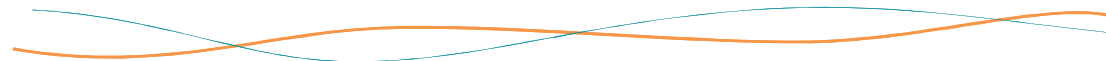




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# Alternatives/techniques chirurgicales pour la valve aortique



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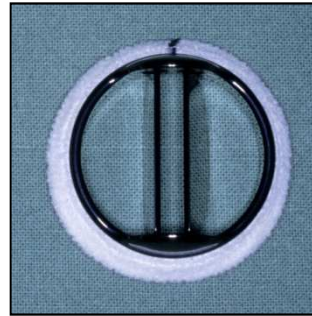


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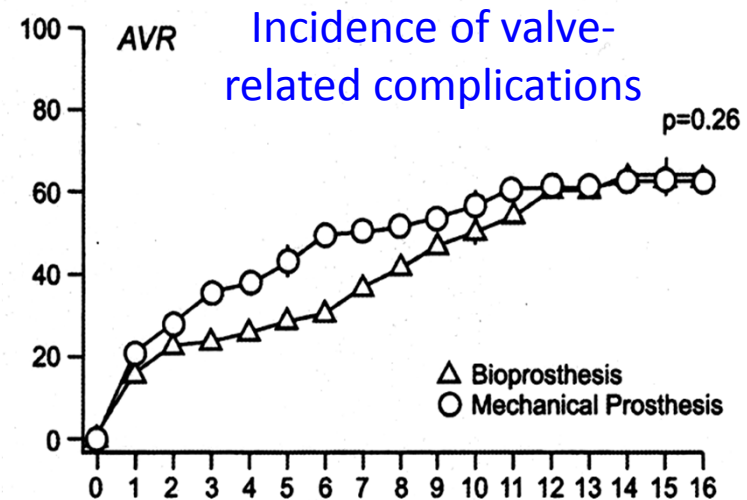
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# Aortic Valve Replacement



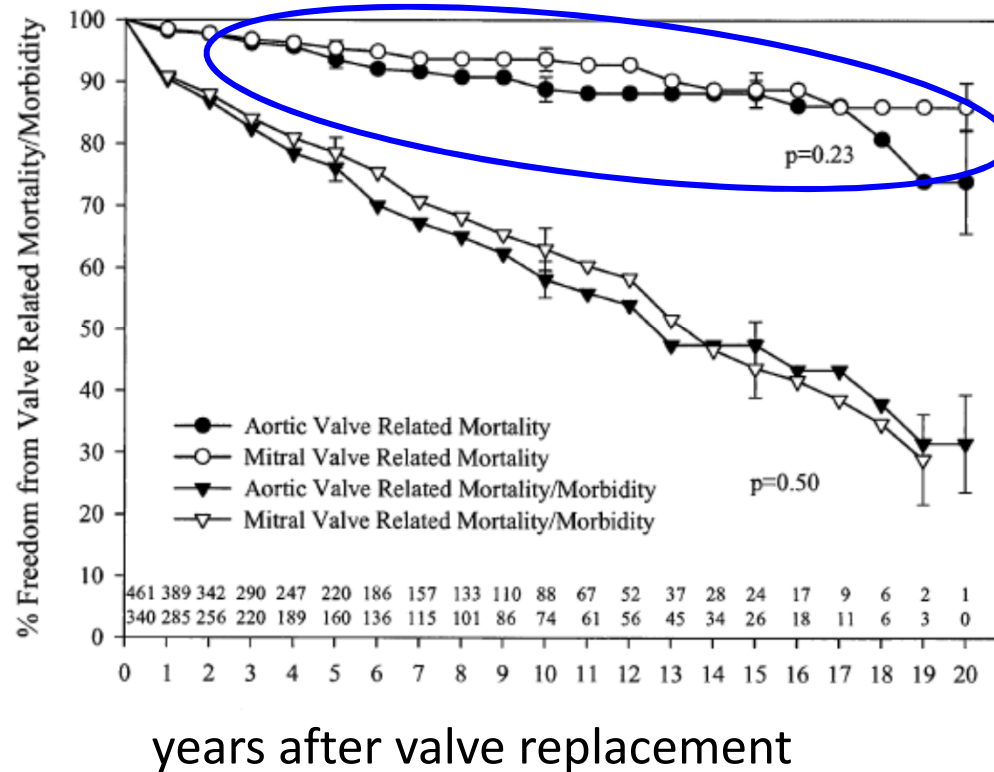
Thromboembolism  
Anticoagulation/Hemorrhage  
Structural failure  
PV endocarditis



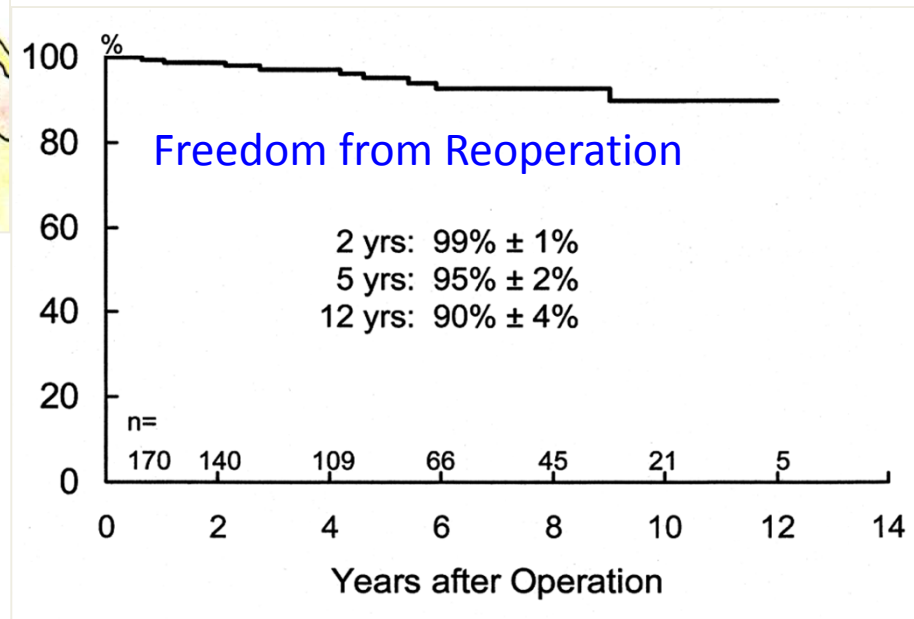
Hammermeister et al, JACC 2000

# AVR - Mechanical

## Prosthesis-related Mortality



# Aortic Valve Replacement Pulmonary Autograft



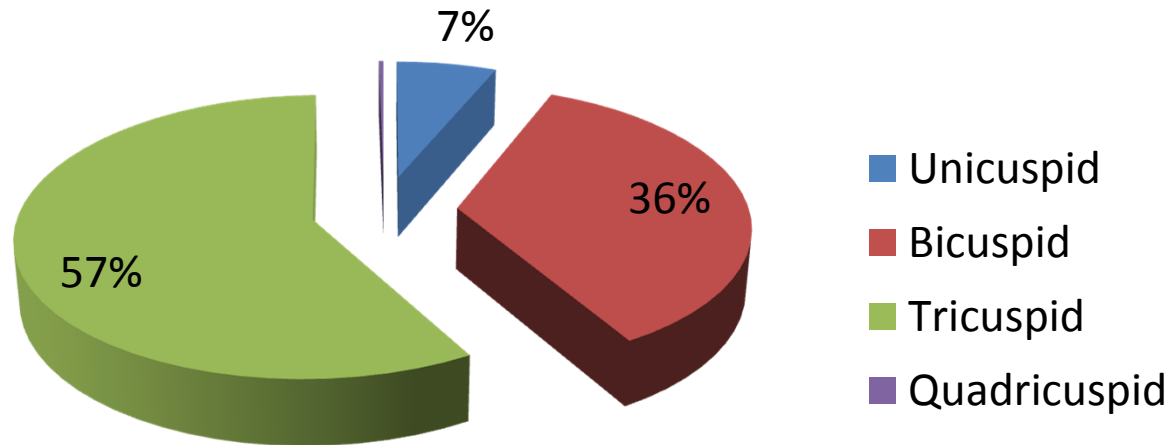


# Indications en congénital avec ou sans dilatation de l'aorte

- Bicuspidie aortique ,monocuspidie
- Marfan
- Syndrome de Loeyz Dietz
- Syndrome de Turner
- Post chirurgical
  - Post valvulotomie
  - Cono truncal (Fallot,VDDI,Truncus)
  - Switch
  - Norwood
  - Ross

# Valve Morphology (Schaeffers 2015)

## Surgical Treatment of AV Disease (n=2424)



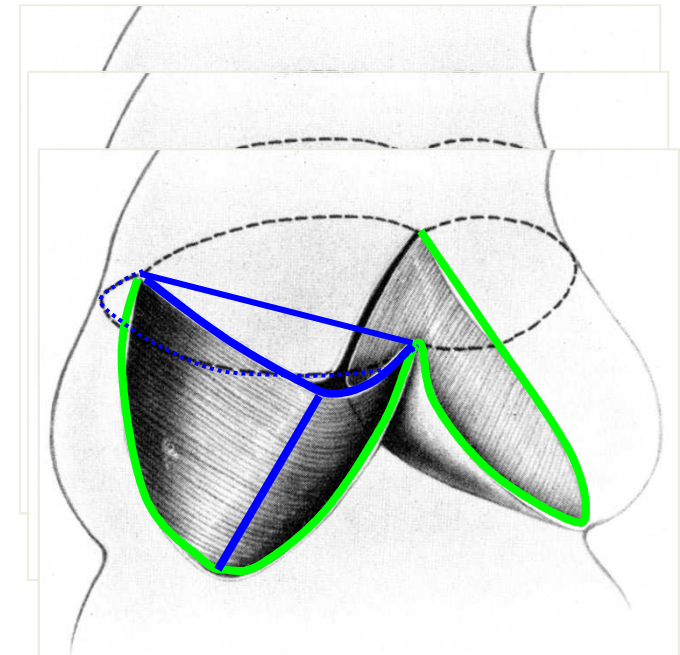
# Aortic Valve Repair - Assessment

## Difficulties

Dimensions- of aortic root/(ring)

Configuration/coaptation of cusps

Vision from outflow



Geometry altered by non-filled state!

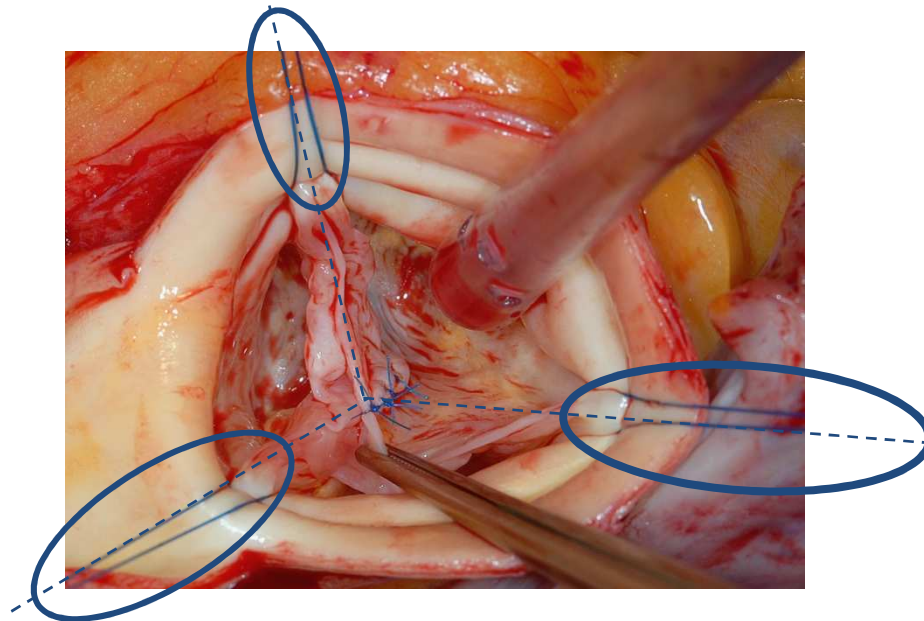
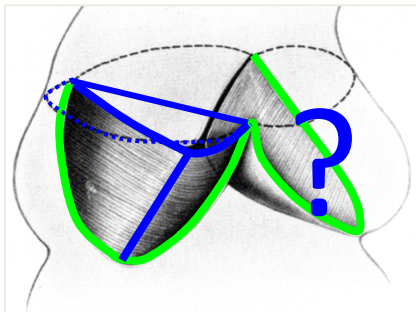


# Aortic Valve Repair - Assessment

## Solutions

Geometry altered by non-pressurized state!

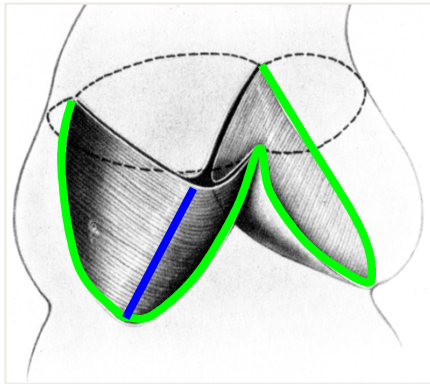
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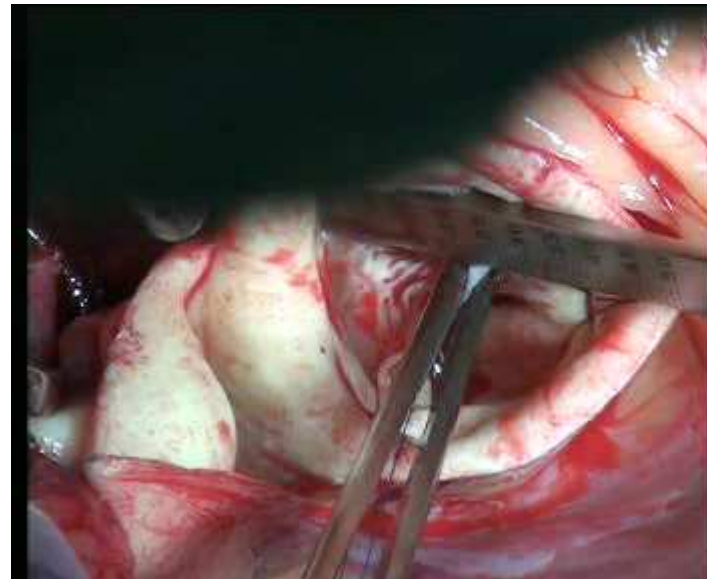
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## Solutions

Configuration/coaptation of cusps

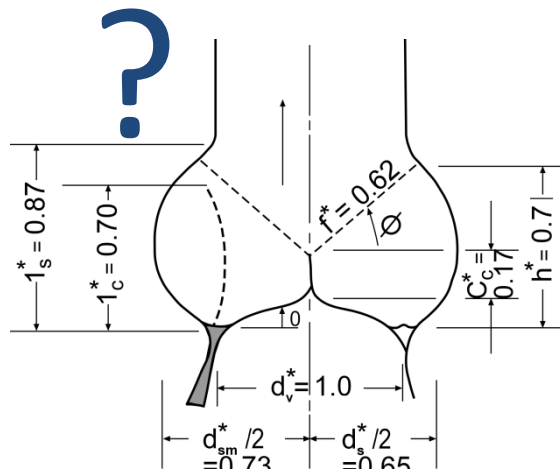


TAV: 17-22 mm  
BAV: 20-25 mm

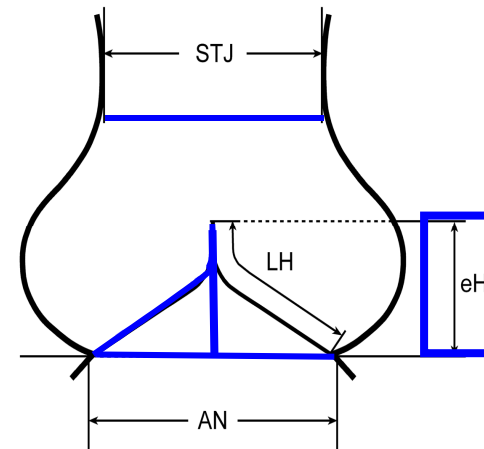


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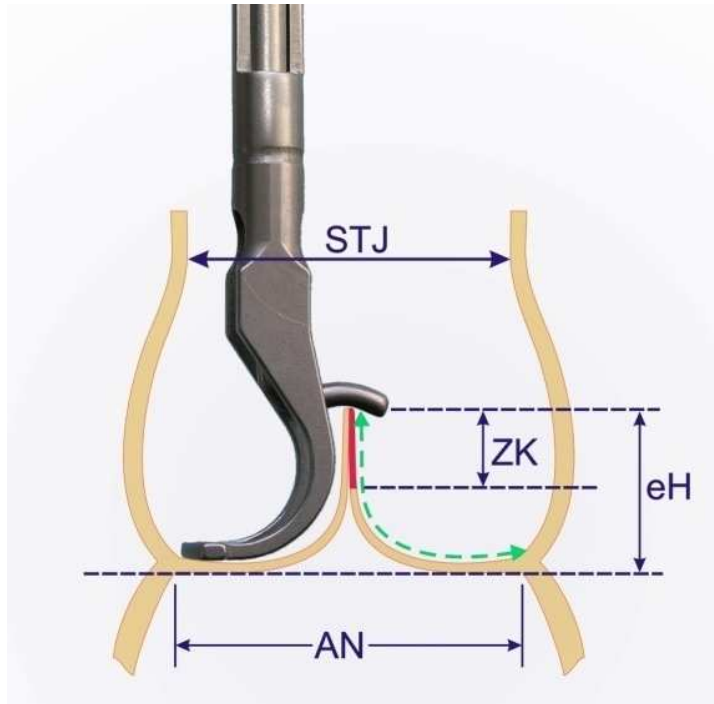
## Cusp Configuration



Swanson, Circ Res 1974

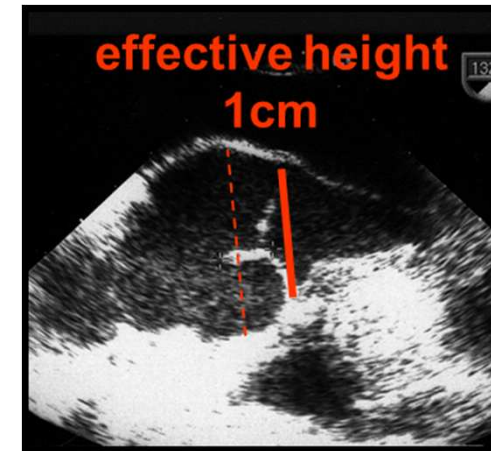


Schäfers JTCVS 2006



Control group.

	Adults, n = 100
Age (years)	33.8 ± 14 (19–76)
Body height (m)	1.75 ± 0.09 (1.5–2)
Body weight (kg)	71.9 ± 12.6 (42–105)
Body surface area (m <sup>2</sup> )	1.87 ± 0.2 (1.35–2.4)
Effective height (mm)	9.5 ± 1.4 (7–12)
Aortoventricular diameter (mm)	21 ± 2.8 (13.5–30.6)
Sinus Valsalva diameter (mm)	28.5 ± 3.5 (21.1–40)
Sinutubular junction (mm)	25 ± 3.7 (16–36.6)
Sinus height (mm)	22.4 ± 4.2 (33.9)



Schäfers JTCVS 2006

Bierbach et al. / Eur J Cardiothorac Surg 38 (2010) 400-406

## Anatomic Variants of bicuspid Valve Morphology

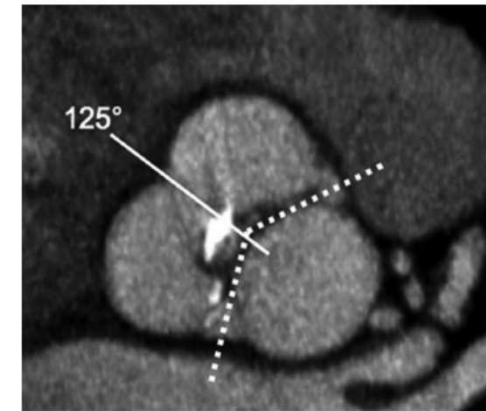
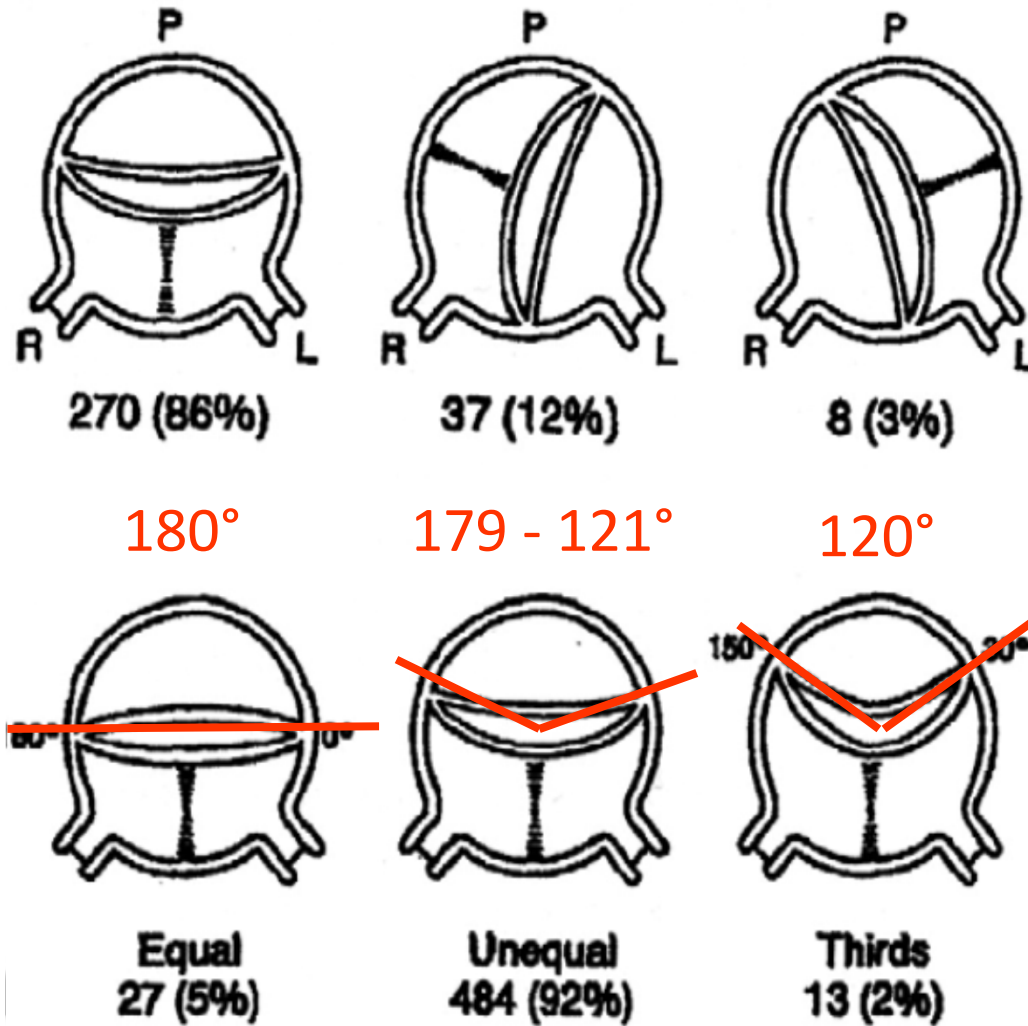
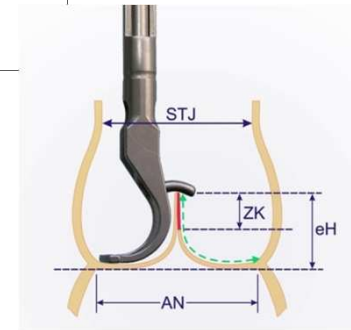


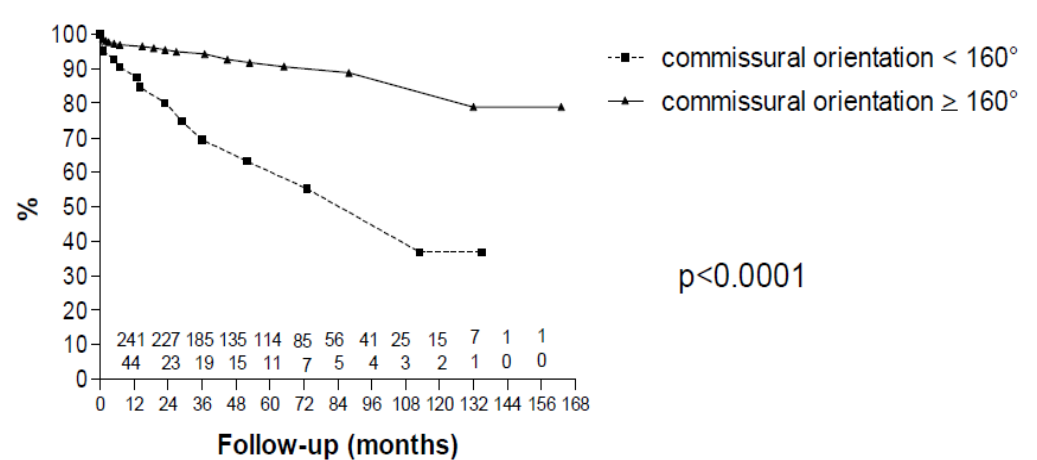
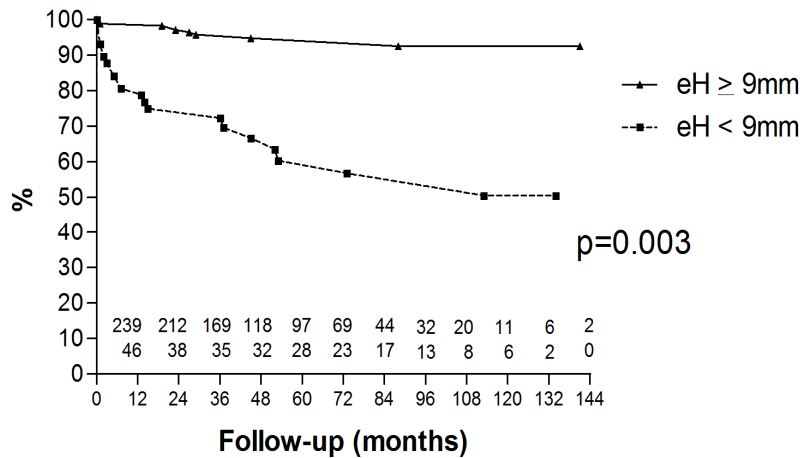
Figure 1. BAV with a commissural orientation of 125°.

# Valve Configuration Determines Long-Term Results After Repair of the Bicuspid Aortic Valve

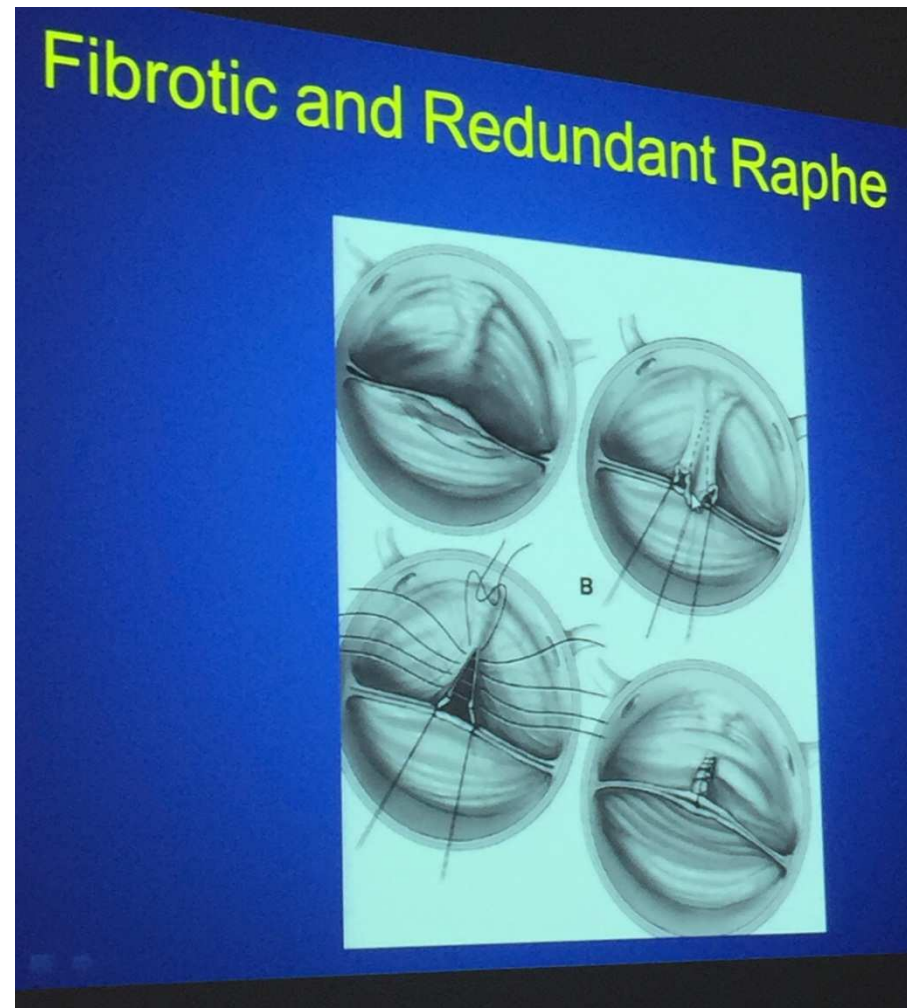
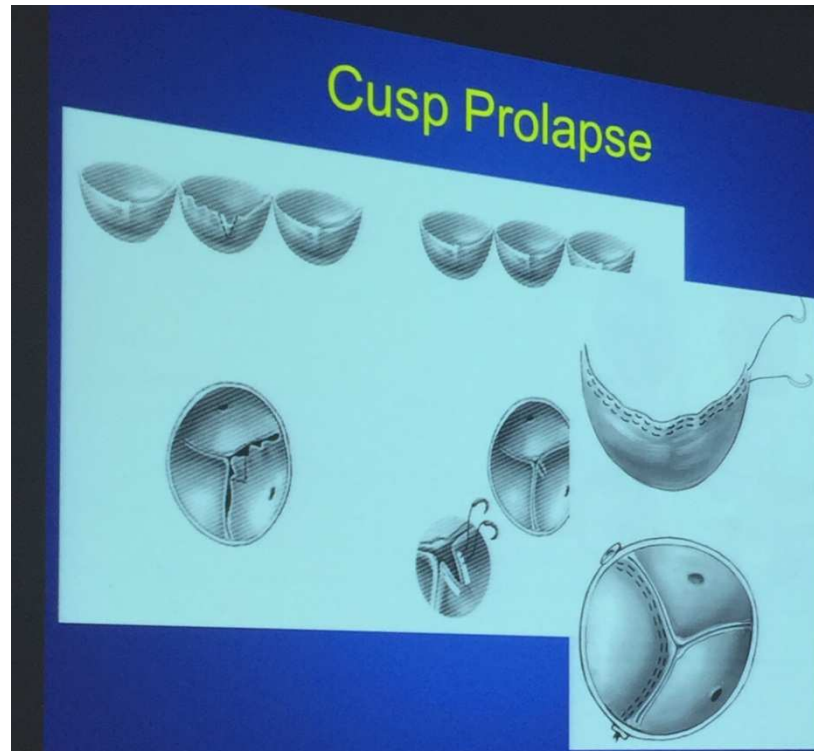
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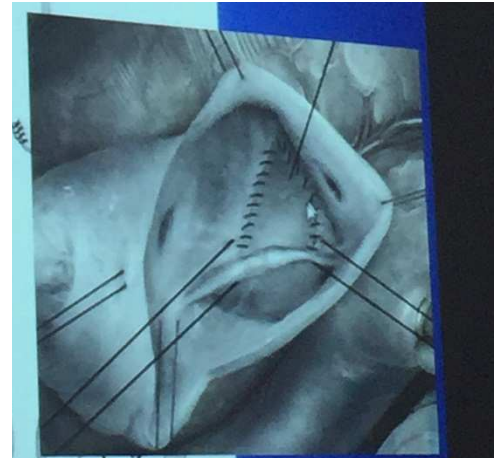
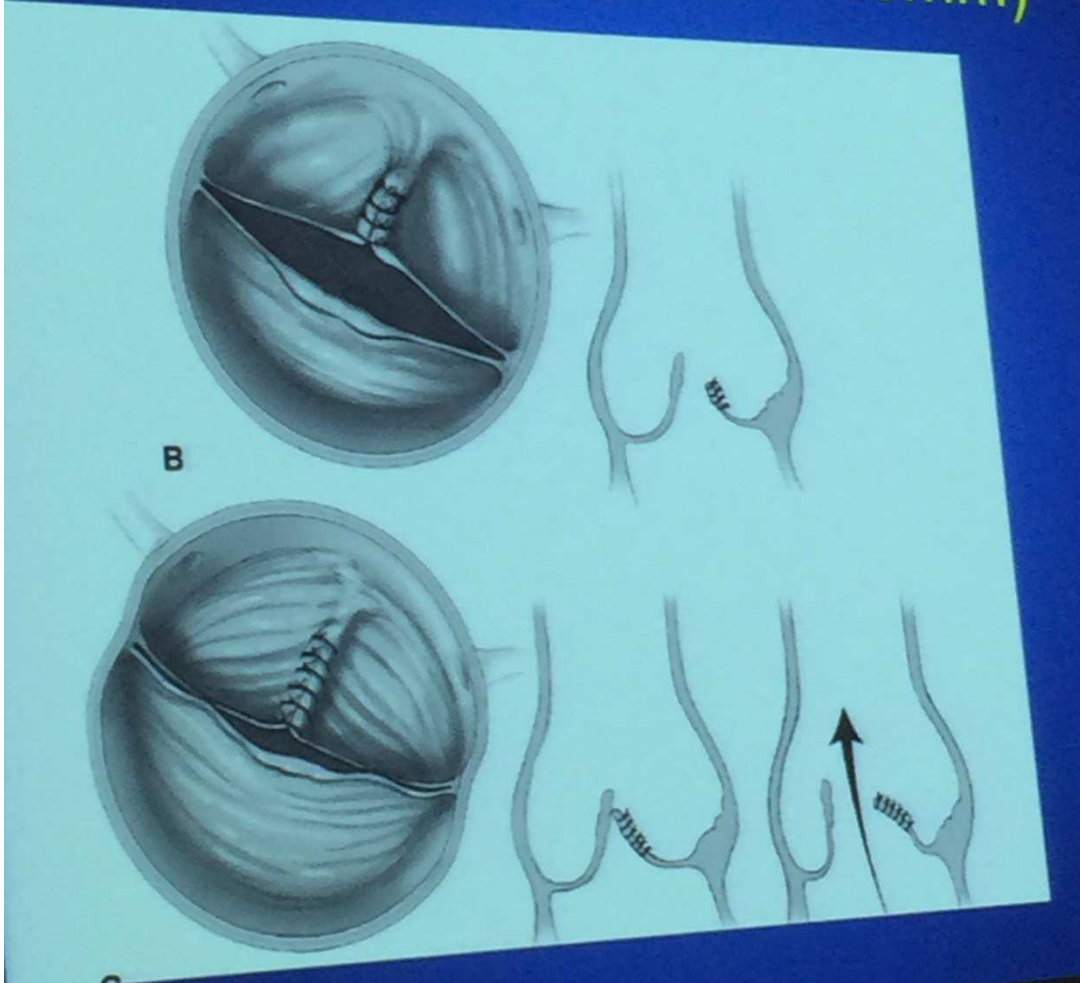
## Actuarial freedom from reoperation



# Techniques utilisées



# Tissue Deficiency (geometric height < 18-20mm)

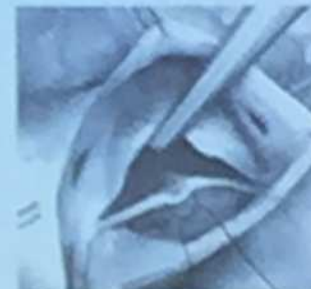
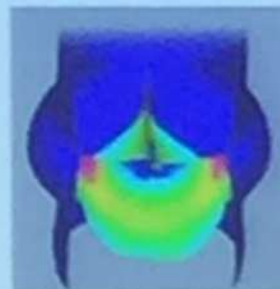




## Cusp Repair: Prolapse – Homburg Techniques

Prolapse

Central Cusp  
Plication



Prolapse +  
Redundancy/  
Fibrosis

Triangular  
Resection

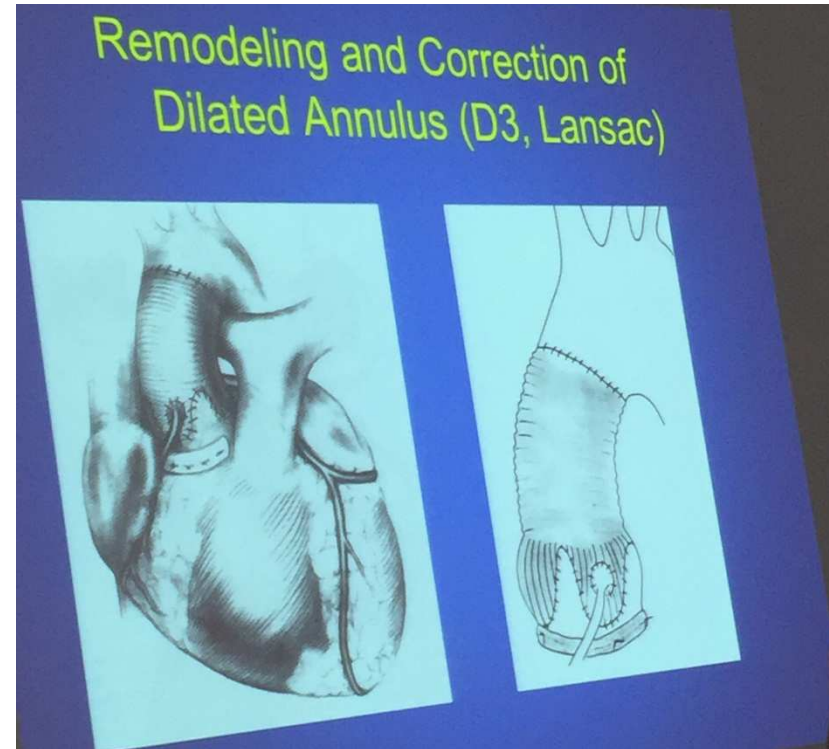
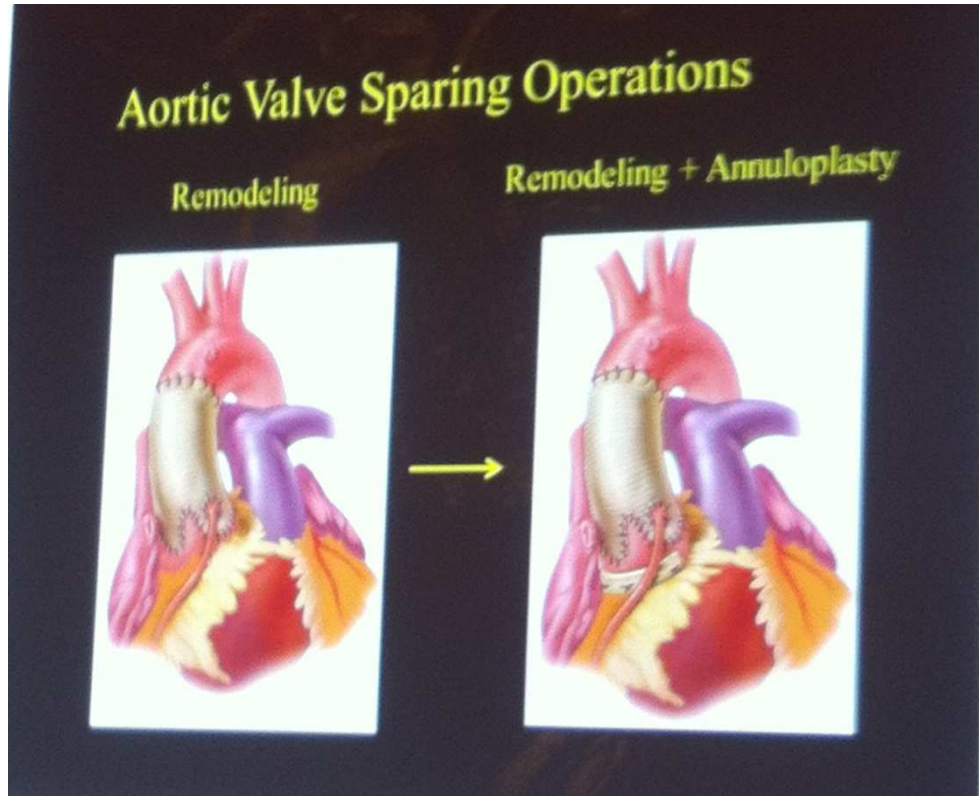


Prolapse +  
Calcium/  
Fenestrations

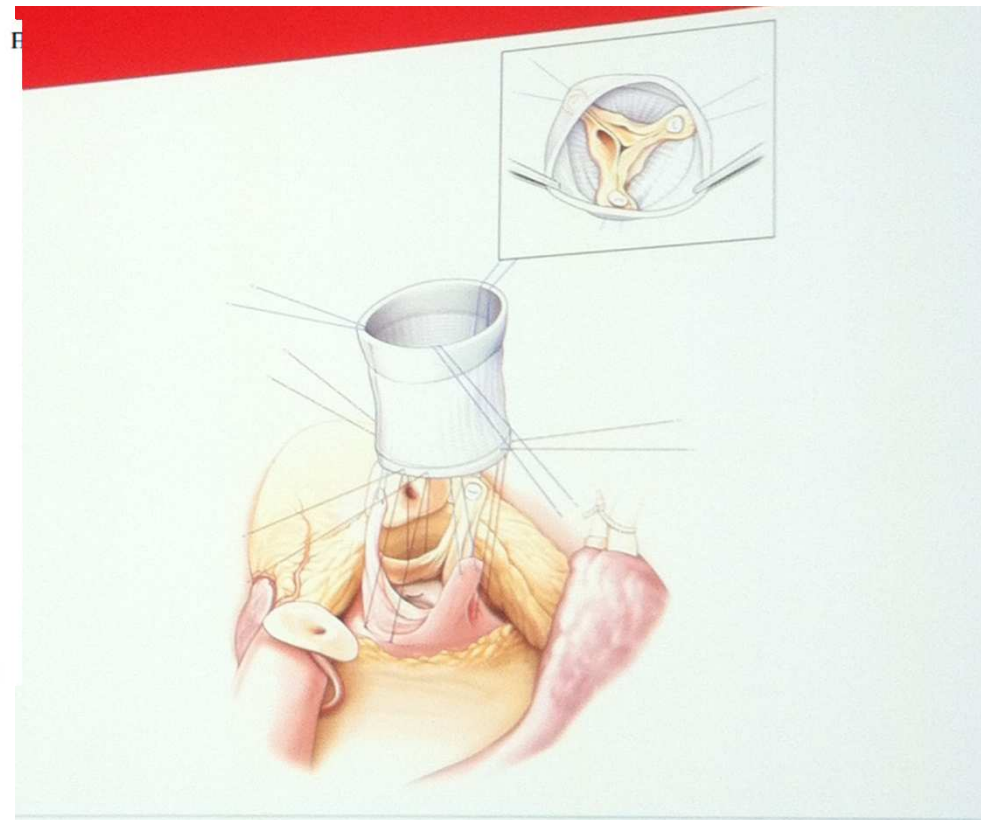
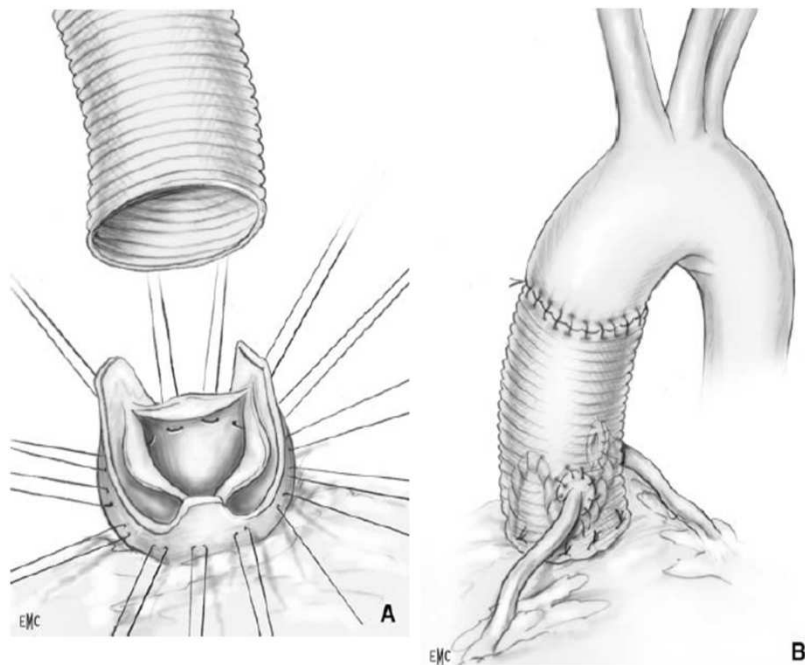
Pericardial  
Patch



# Remodeling: opération de Yacoub



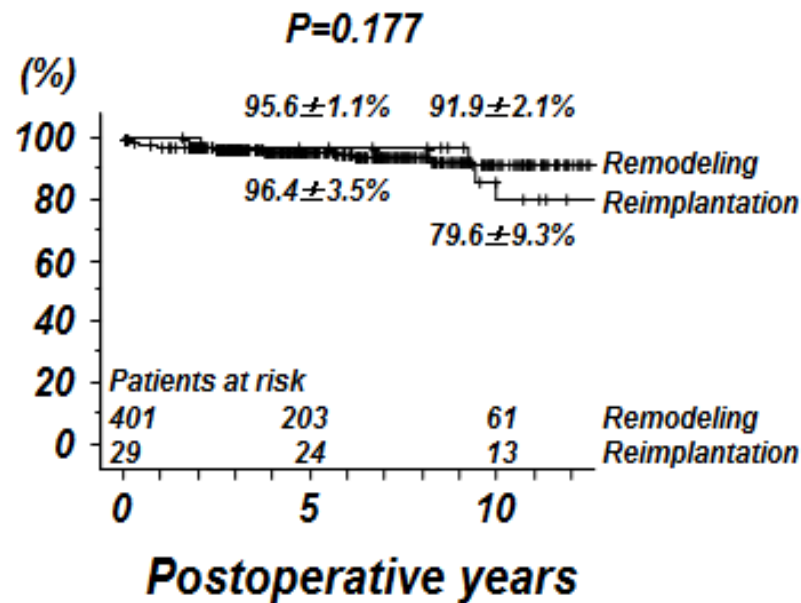
# Réimplantation /Tirone David



## Preoperative aortic root geometry and postoperative cusp configuration primarily determine long-term outcome after valve-preserving aortic root repair

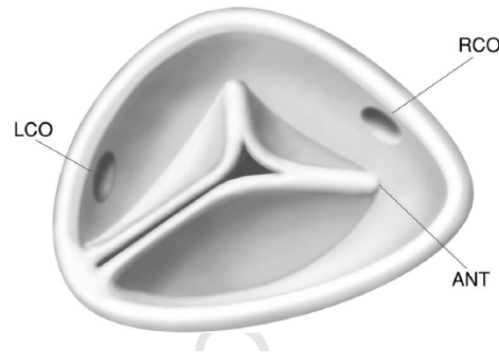
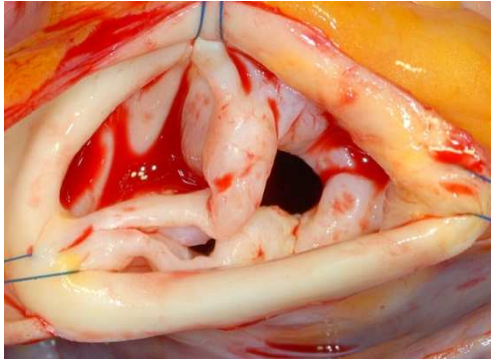
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### Freedom from Reoperation

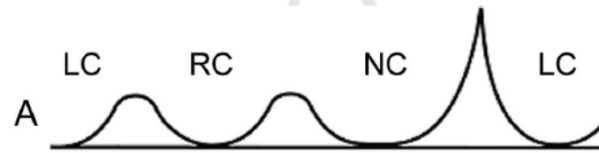


Reconstruction of the  
Unicuspid Aortic Valve:  
Pushing the limits?

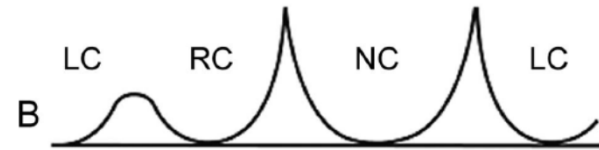
# Bicuspidization of the Unicuspid Aortic Valve



unicuspid



bicuspid



Prevalence 0.04% (?)  
AR / AS / ascending aorta aneurysm

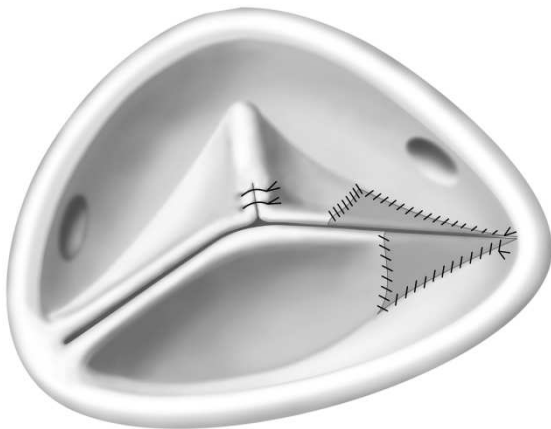
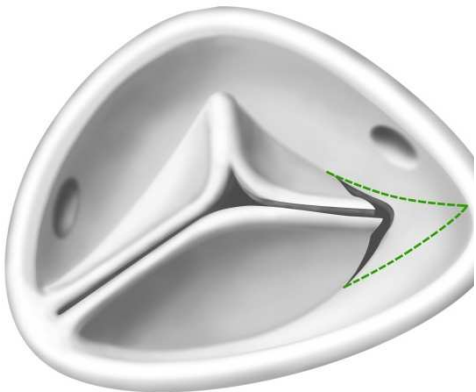
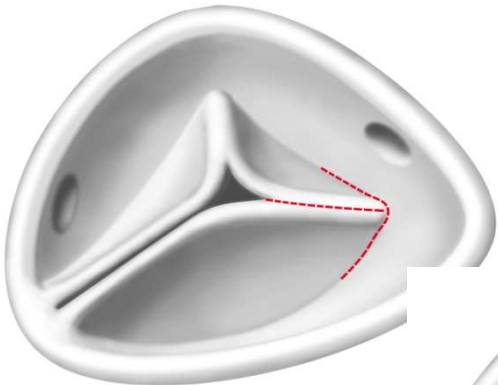
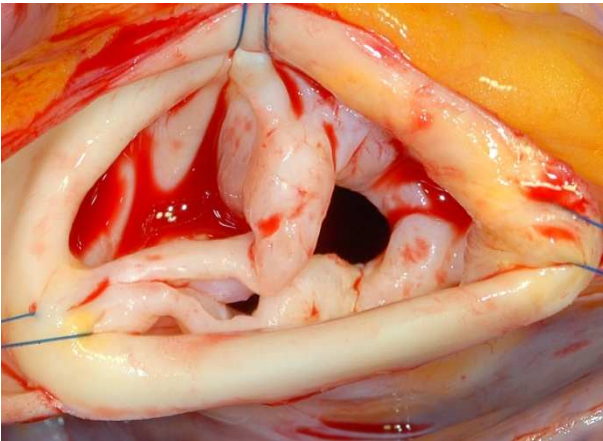
# Aortic Valve Repair - Design

## Aortic Valve Anatomy

Morphology	Incidence	Mean Age of Failure
Unicuspid	< 1%	20s (32.2)
Bicuspid	2%	60s (52.3)
Tricuspid	97 %(?)	? ( > 65)
Quadricuspid	< 1 %	40s (46.)

Roberts WC, Circulation 2005

# Bicuspidization of the Unicuspid Aortic Valve



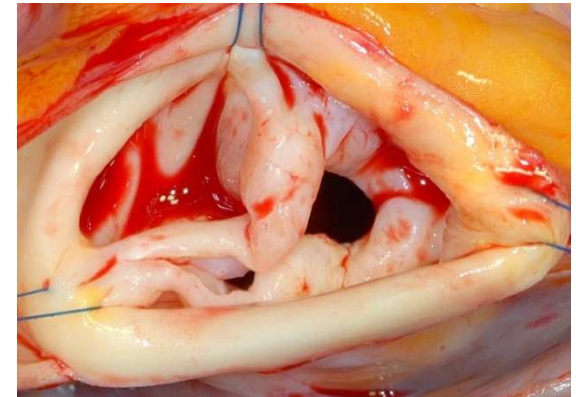
Schäfers HJ, ATS 2008



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# Bicuspidization of the Unicuspid Aortic Valve II



Aicher, Ann Thorac Surg 2013



## Bicuspidization of the UAV

### Aortic Valve Function After Bicuspidization of the Unicuspid Aortic Valve

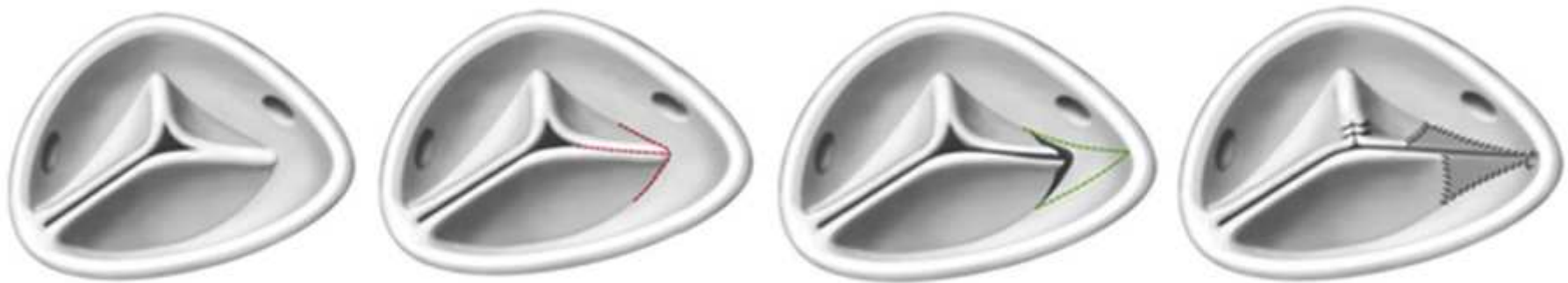


Fig 1. Bicuspidization of the unicuspid aortic valve: Design I.

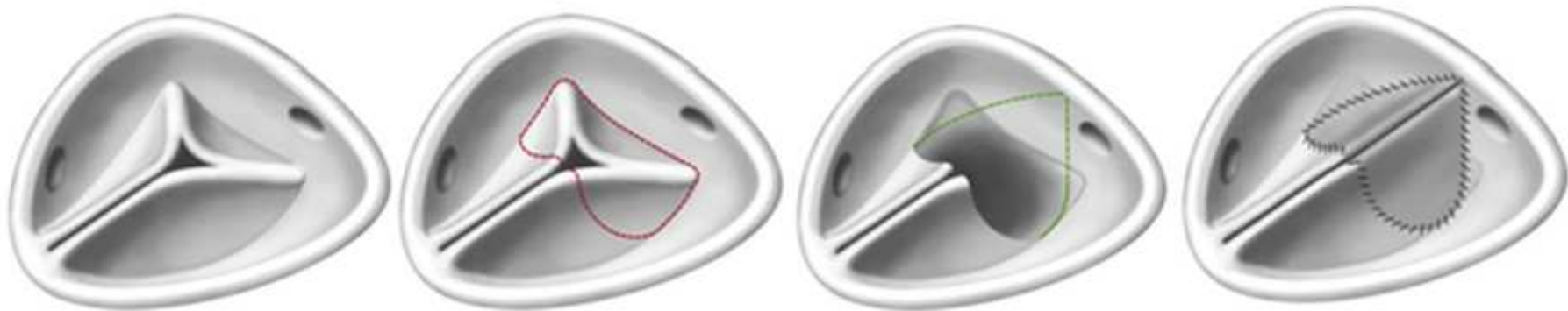
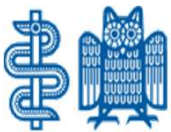


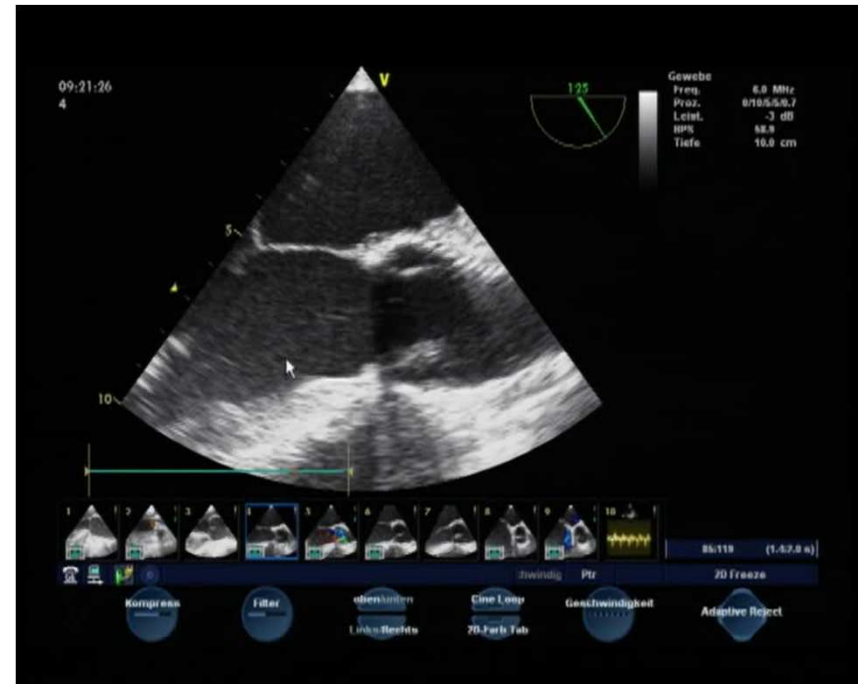
Fig 2. Bicuspidization of the unicuspid aortic valve: Design II.

# UAV - Design II



# Pré

# Post



Courtesy Pr.Schaeffers



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# Reconstruction of the UAV

- Repair: conversion to bicuspid design
  - Creation of 2nd (anterior) commissure
  - Add pericardial patches to augment cusps
  - Geometric height > 20 mm
  - Effective height > 9 mm
  - Annular stabilization

 = effective valve function

? Durability - optimal patch material  
- annular stabilization

 - probably patch  $\leq$  40% of final cusp size

# Aortic Valve Function After Bicuspidization of the Unicuspid Aortic Valve

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*Background.* Unicuspid aortic valve (UAV) anatomy leads to dysfunction of the valve in young individuals. We introduced a reconstructive technique of bicuspidizing the UAV. Initially we copied the typical asymmetry of a normal bicuspid aortic valve (BAV) (I), later we created a symmetric BAV (II). This study compared the hemodynamic function of the two designs of a bicuspidized UAV.

*Methods.* Aortic valve function was studied at rest and during exercise in 28 patients after repair of UAV (group I, n = 8; group II, n = 20). There were no differences among the groups I and II with respect to gender, age, body size, or weight. All patients were in New York Heart Association class I. Six healthy adults served as control individuals. All patients were studied with transthoracic echocardiography between 4 and 65 months postoperatively. Systolic gradients were assessed by continuous wave Doppler while patients were at rest and exercising on a bicycle ergometer.

*Results.* Aortic regurgitation was grade I or less in all patients. Resting gradients were significantly elevated in group I compared with group II and control individuals (group I, peak  $33.8 \pm 7.8$  mm Hg; mean  $19.1 \pm 5.4$  mm Hg; group II, peak  $15.8 \pm 5.4$ , mean  $8.2 \pm 2.8$  mm Hg; control individuals, peak  $6.0 \pm 1.6$ , mean  $3.2 \pm 0.8$  mm Hg;  $p < 0.001$ ). At 100 W peak gradients were highest in group I (group I,  $62.7 \pm 16.7$  mm Hg; group II,  $28.1 \pm 7.6$  mm Hg; control individuals,  $15.4 \pm 4.6$  mm Hg;  $p < 0.001$ ).

*Conclusions.* Converting a UAV into a symmetric bicuspid design results in adequate valve competence. A symmetric repair design leads to improved systolic aortic valve function at rest and during exercise.

(Ann Thorac Surg 2013;■:■-■)  
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## Results of Aortic Valve Repair (Homburg)

Patients 10/95- 1/2015: n=2073

• Hospital mortality	35 (1.7%)
• AV-Block	10 (0.5%)
• Neurologic events	
• early	15 (0.7%)
• late (thrombembolic)	17 (0.3%/pt year)
• Endocarditis	16 (0.25%/pt year)
• Reoperations	155 (7.5%)

Mean Follow-up: 5.7 ± 3.5 years [1-231 months]

## Aortic valve repair leads to a low incidence of valve-related complications

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### Abstract

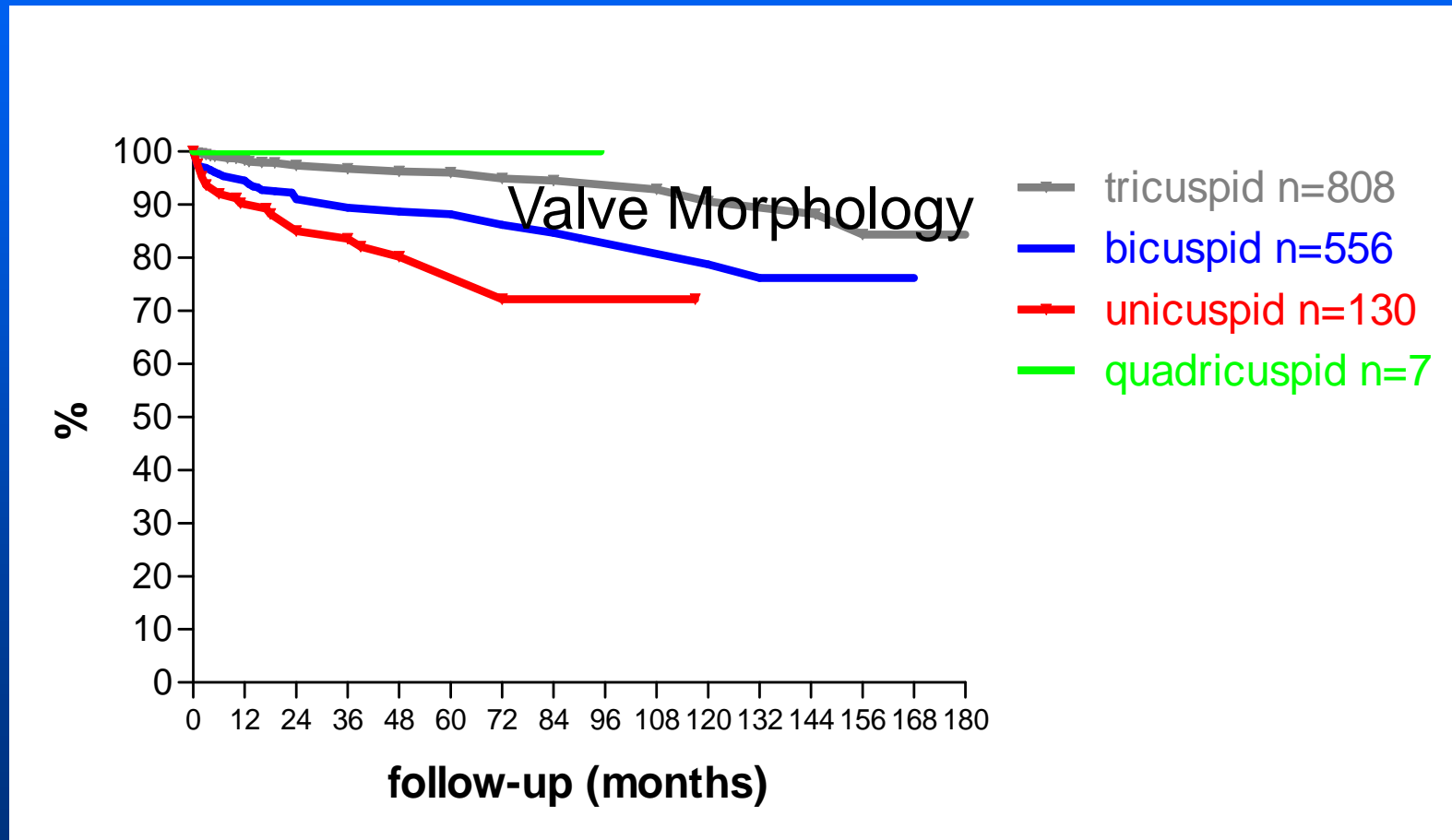
**Objective:** Aortic valve replacement for aortic regurgitation leads to a high incidence of valve-related complications. Aortic valve repair is an alternative approach. **Methods:** In a retrospective study over a 10-year period, 640 patients underwent aortic valve repair for regurgitation (n = 3) aortic valve. The mechanism of regurgitation included bicuspid aortic valve (n = 323) or combined pathologies. Treatment consisted of aortic valve repair. **Results:** Hospital mortality was 3.4% in the total patient population. Freedom from valve-related complications after valve repair was 88%. **Conclusions:** Reconstructive surgery of the aortic valve leads to a low incidence of valve-related complications. Freedom from valve-related complications after valve repair seems superior compared to available data on standard aortic valve replacement. © 2009 European Association for Cardio-Thoracic Surgery.

Freedom from all valve-related complications at 10 years was 88%.

Freedom from valve-related complications after valve repair seems superior compared to available data on standard aortic valve replacement.



# Freedom from Reoperation



## Valve Configuration Determines Long-Term Results After Repair of the Bicuspid Aortic Valve

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**Table 2. Results of Multivariable Analysis of Predictors for Reoperation**

	HR	95% Confidence Interval	<i>P</i>
Age	0.955	0.928–0.982	0.001
eH	0.740	0.612–0.894	0.002
AVD	1.302	1.076–1.575	0.007
Commissural orientation	0.961	0.938–0.985	0.002
Pericardial patch	5.175	2.100–12.753	0.000
Subcommissural plication	0.699	0.299–1.633	0.408
Root repair	2.354	0.770–7.192	0.133

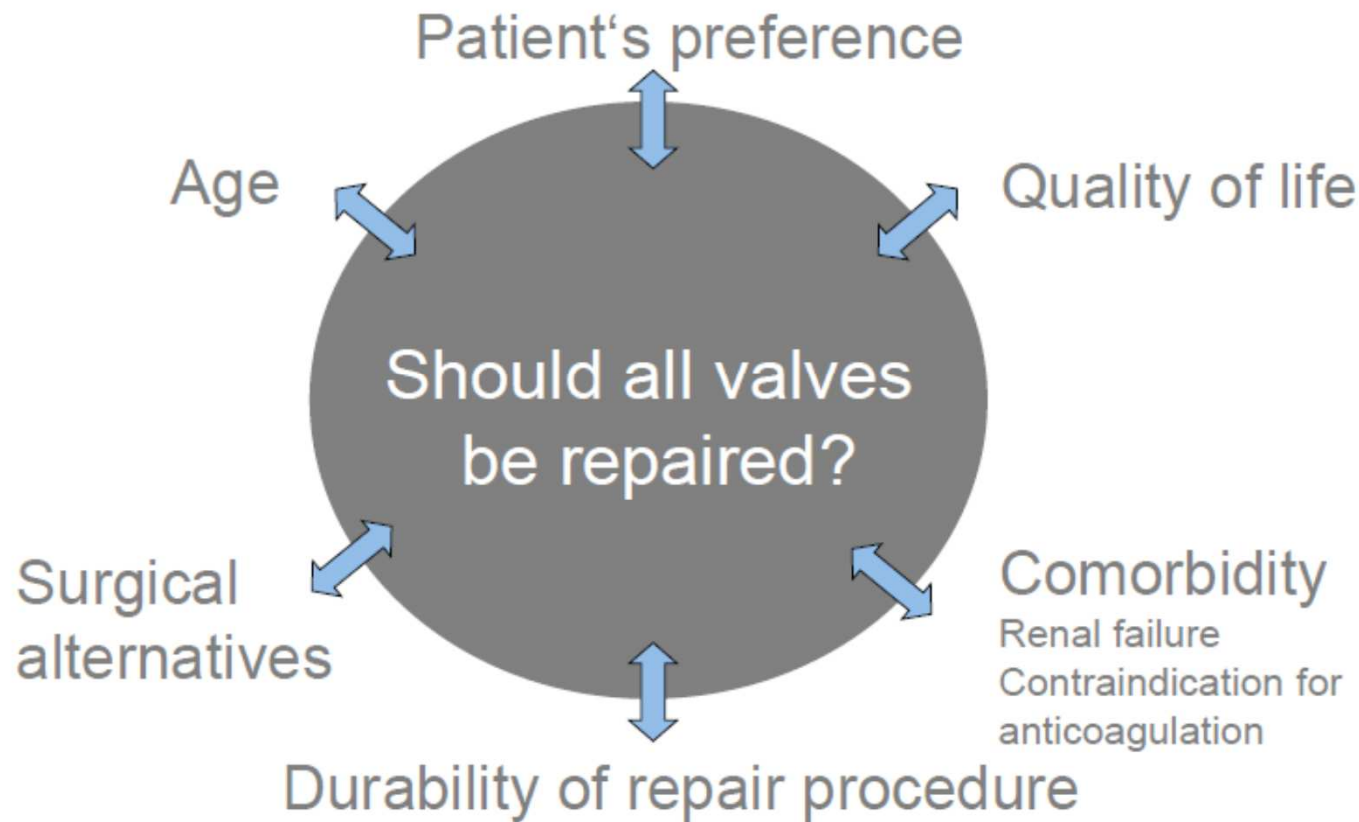
## Homburg approach



Comment développer le programme?

# Sélection des patients

## Patient selection



## Patient Selection

What valve pathology can be repaired?

- Bi- /tricuspid aortic valves with preservation of the natural design (Aicher JTCVS 2004; Schäfers ATS 2007)
- Unicuspid switched to bicuspid design (Schäfers ATS 2008)
- Quadricuspid switched to tricuspid design (Schmidt ATS 2008)

# Levels of Difficulty in Aortic Valve Repair

reasonable



uncertain

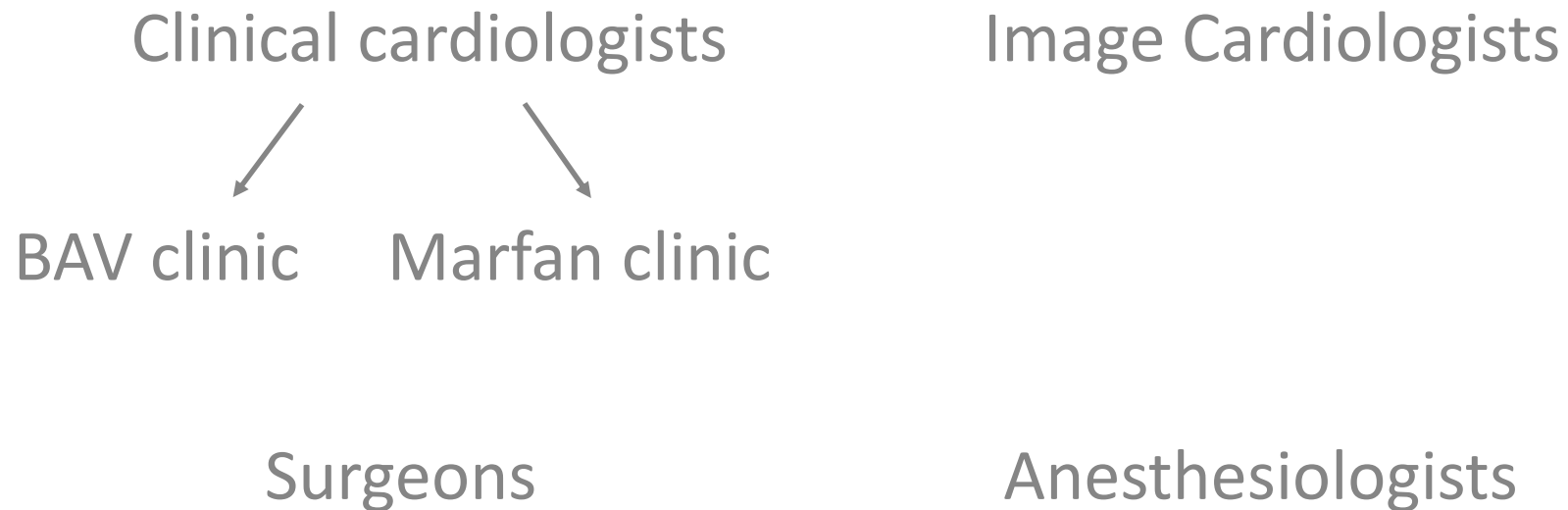
Root dilatation in tricuspid/bicuspid valves  
prolapse (1 -3 cusps)  
aortoventricular dilatation

fenestrations  
unicuspid aortic valve

retraction/calcium  
active endocarditis (size of the defect)

# Travail d'équipe

Team Play





# Conclusion

- Nécessité d'une bonne évaluation des indications et de la valve
- Amélioration des résultats avec l'expertise
- Heart team/réseau
- Moindre morbi - mortalité
- Ne coupe pas les ponts au Ross

# Merci!



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