

Valve in Valve TAVR

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A 68 year-old lady, with symptomatic aortic stenosis (mean gradient 56), comes for advice

Mechanical valve

Bioprosthetic surgical valve

TAVI

AHA/ACC 2020 suggest age 65

ESC 2021 suggest age 75

When surgical approach is preferable to transcatheter ViV

Young age

High risk of coronary obstruction which cannot be overcome with TAVR techniques

Endocarditis/Thrombosis

Severe Prosthesis-Patient mismatch

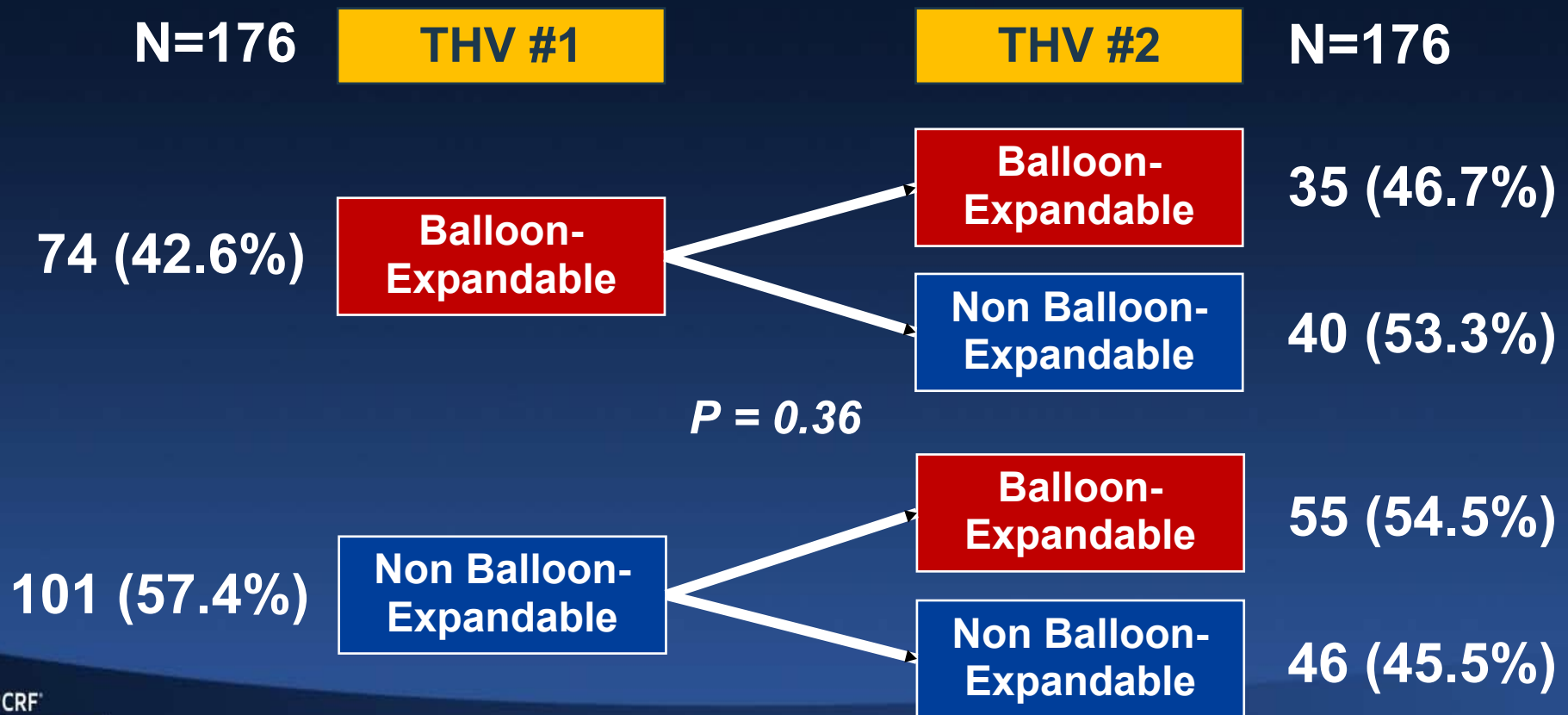
Paravalvular leak which cannot be corrected

Need for additional heart surgery

EXPLANT Registry, Syed Zaid:

304 pts 176 redo TAVR, 178 explant
1 month mortality in surgically explanted valves
12% vs. 3.5% when ViV

Index TAVR and Redo TAVR Valve Types



*Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement for
Degenerated Transcatheter Aortic Valves
The TRANSIT International Project*

Luca Testa et al. *Circ. Cardiovasc. Interv.* 2021

172 pts underwent a 2nd TAVR

79% rate of device success according to VARC-2 criteria

Having evaluated that in the specific case transcatheter VinV is the more appropriate option rather than surgical replacement

**When performing transcatheter
Valve in Valve consider**

Residual gradient

Risk of Coronary Occlusions and Access

V in V in surgical valves

V in V in Transcatheter Heart Valves

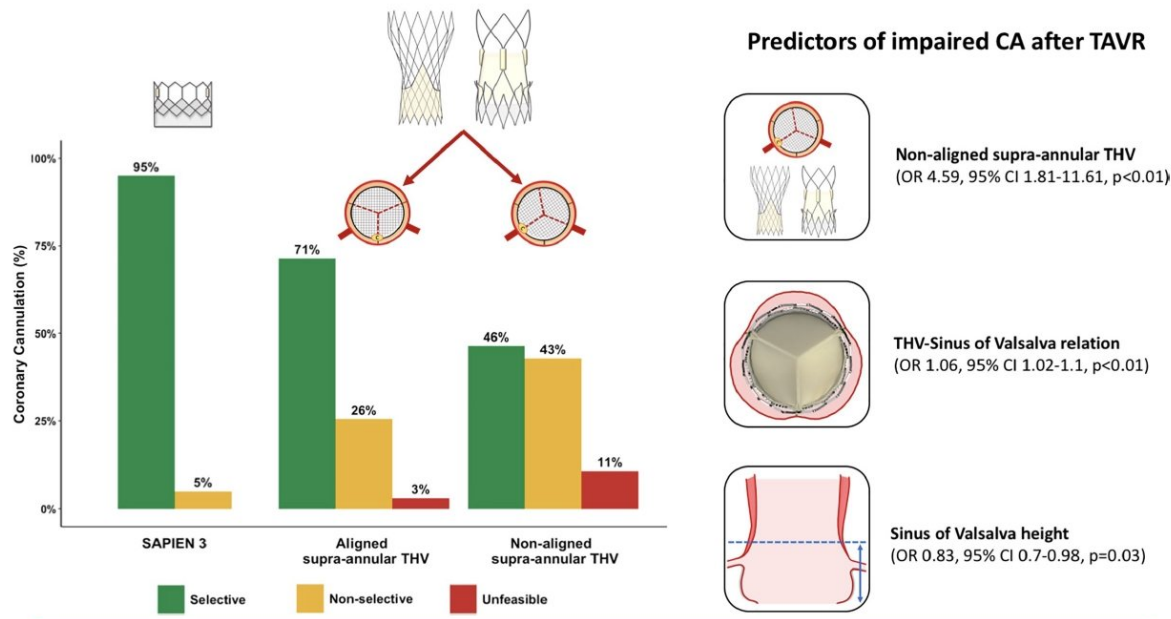
How to select the most appropriate VinV

Coronary obstruction versus
prosthesis-patient mismatch (PPM)

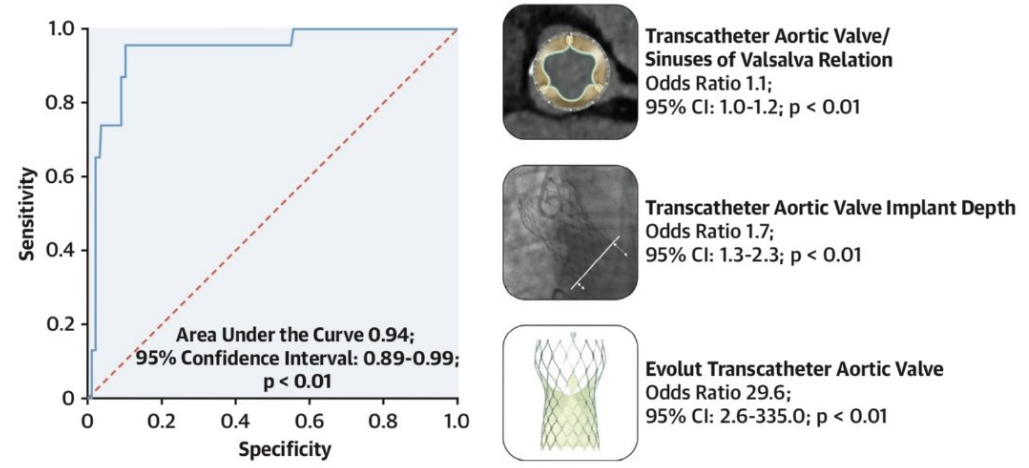
Issues when Transcatheter V in V

- Coronary occlusion
- Post-procedural high trans-valvular pressure gradients

Supra-annular valve = worse coronary access



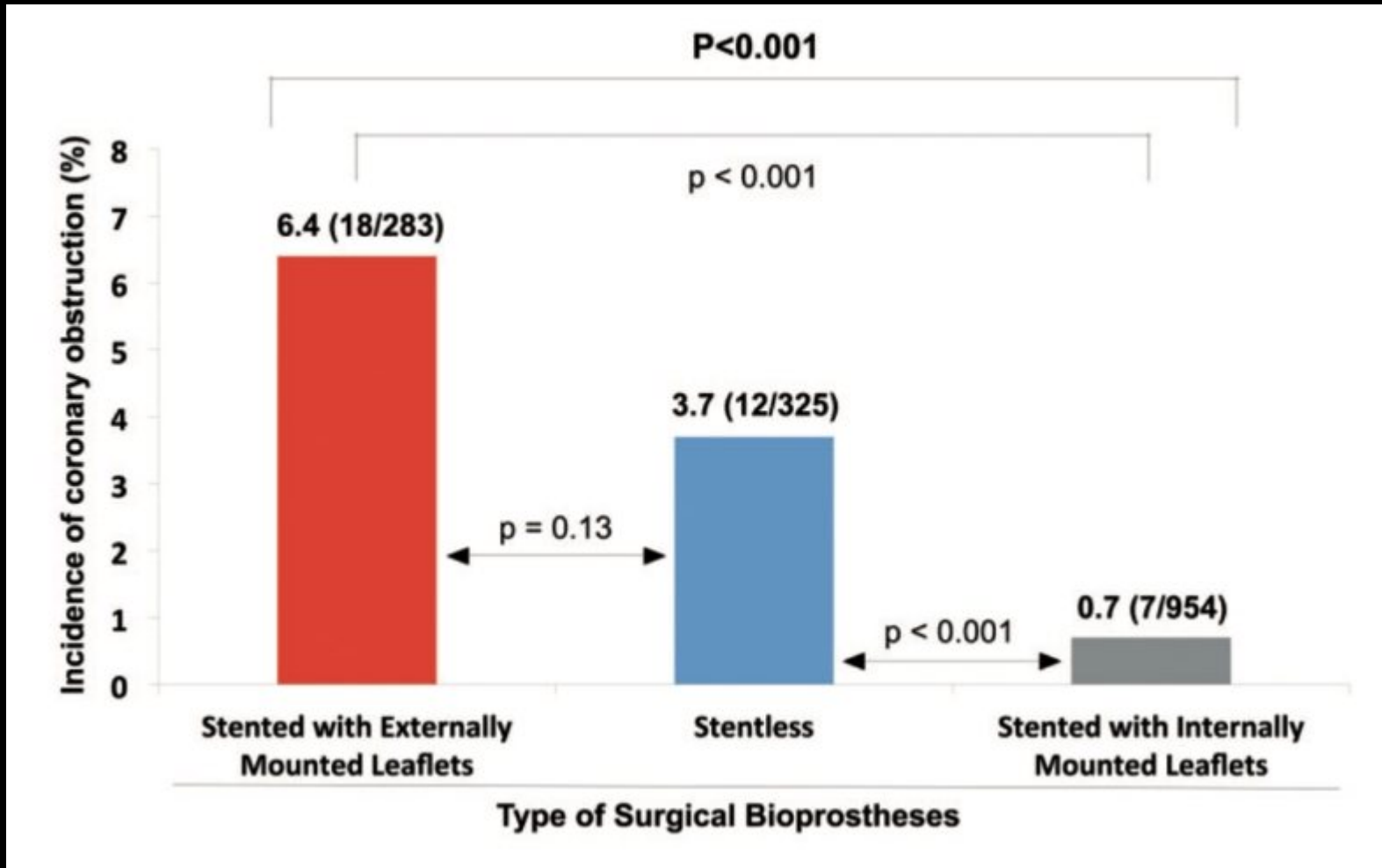
CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION Predictors of Unsuccessful Coronary Cannulation After Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement and Receiver-Operating Characteristic Curve Analysis Applied to Logistic Regression Model



Barbanti, M. et al. J Am Coll Cardiol Intv. 2020;13(21):2542-55.

Concerns in aortic ViV

Coronary obstruction according to surgical prosthesis type [VIVID registry]



Factors affecting the risk of coronary obstruction

High of coronary ostia

Size of sinus of Valsalva and Sinotubular Junction
(sequestration of the sinus of Valsalva)

Type of second THV

Commissural alignment

Implant depth

Additional expansion of the initial THV

Techniques to overcome coronary artery obstructions

BASILICA

Balloon Assisted BASILICA

Leaflet destruction (unicorn procedure)

Chimney stenting (use high radial force DES)

236 pts undergoing coronary protection during TAVR,

143 had stents implanted

At 3-year follow-up, rates of cardiac death were 7.8% in patients receiving stents and 15.7% in those not receiving stents

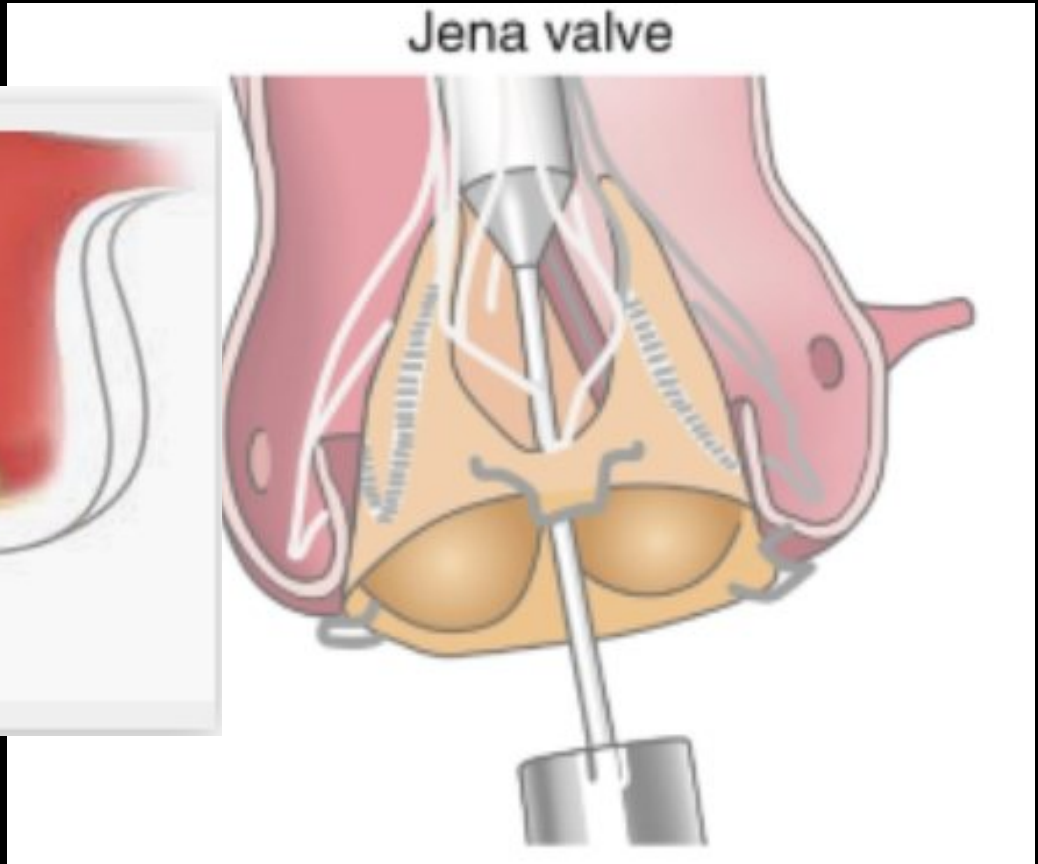
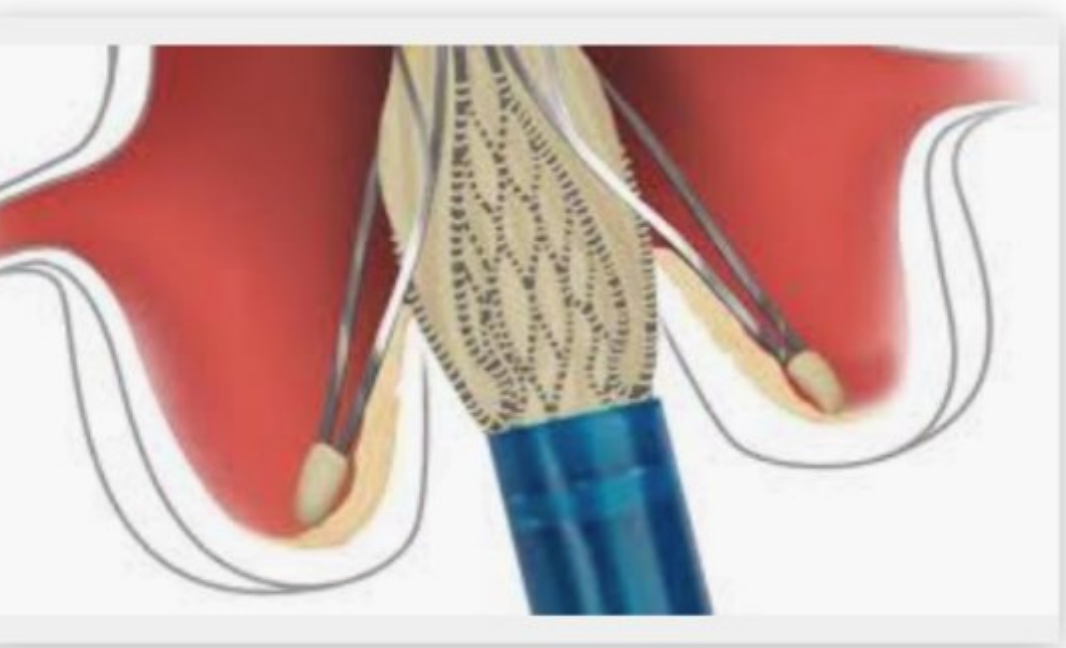
Palmerini et al. Coronary protection to prevent coronary obstruction during aortic valve replacement: a multicenter international registry. JACC Cardiovasc Interv 2020;13:739–47.

How to overcome prosthesis- patient mismatch

Supra-annular valve

Surgical valve fracture

An idea: using the Jena Valve to capture and stabilize the leaflets of the old valve



No risk of late coronary occlusion

How to optimize the performance of the new valve

Select the appropriate THV at the index procedure taking into account that the patient may need a new THV in the future