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Controversy: timing of TEVAR for uncomplicated acute type B dissection Early intervention is the best choice

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- Vascular and Endovascular Surgeon

Google: Matt Thompson and Dissection



There are many classifications of aortic dissection, but the most useful classification, which classifies those originating in the ascending aorta (Type A) and those in the descending aorta (Type B).

Type B aortic dissections require surgery when they are complicated by imminent rupture or malperfusion. Historically, Type B dissections were associated with a 30% mortality. Despite the relative infrequency of these procedures, they are now routinely used in the treatment of Type B dissections. Endovascular treatment of acute complicated Type B dissections has been shown to suggest a substantial early mortality advantage over open surgery.

A study from the US in patient sample has identified a considerable mortality advantage for surgical repair. Less certain is the place of endovascular therapy in lesions that may be classified as sub-acute (between two types of dissection). There is a relatively sparse literature reporting the experience in non-acute dissections.

Who will win?







Complications to acute descending aortic dissection

Rupture

Malperfusion

Renals

Spine

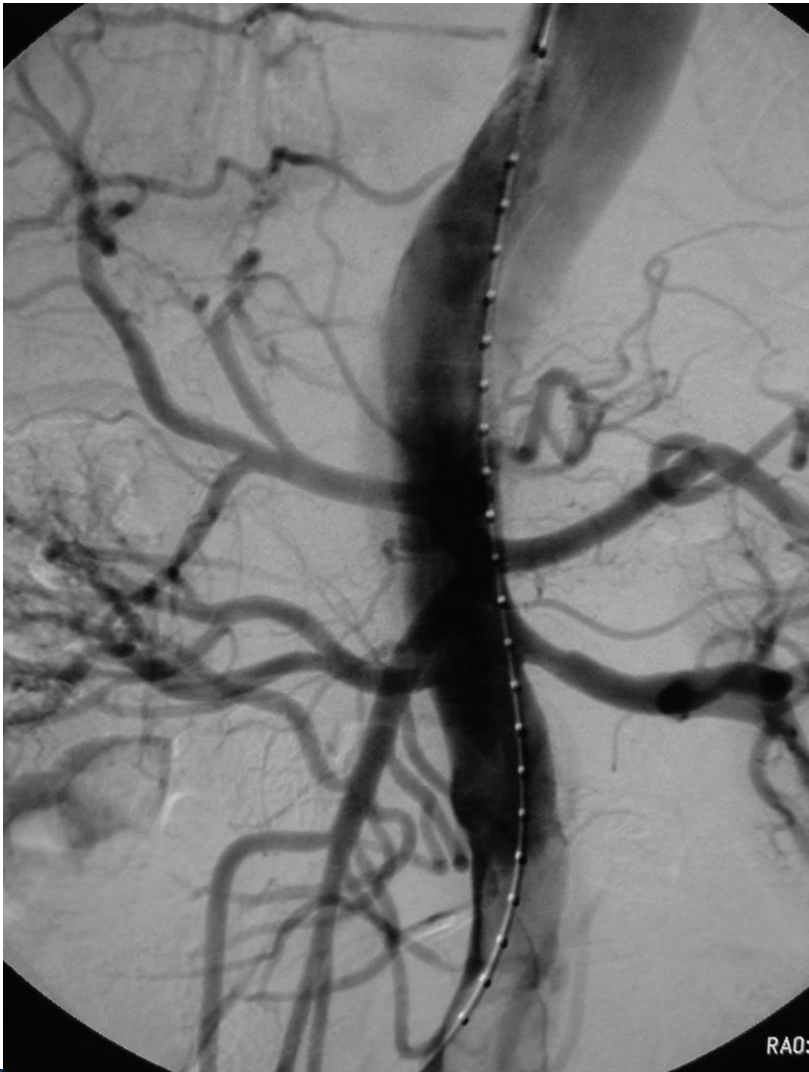
Intestines

Lower limbs

Hypertension

Aneurysm formation

Malperfusion drives mortality in AD

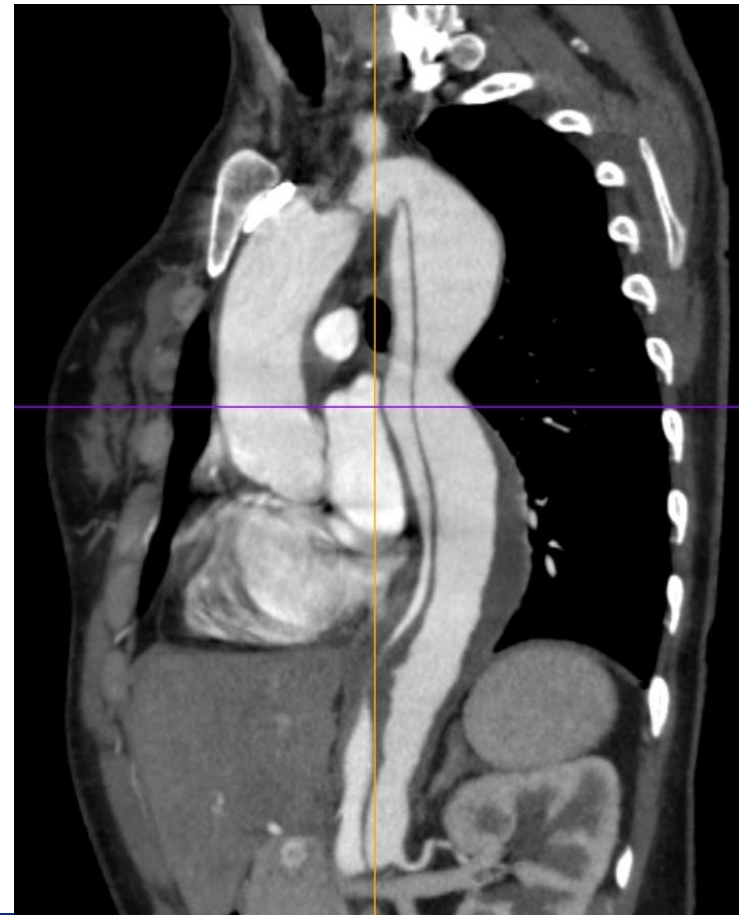


Complications to BMT in AD

Primary AD



One year later





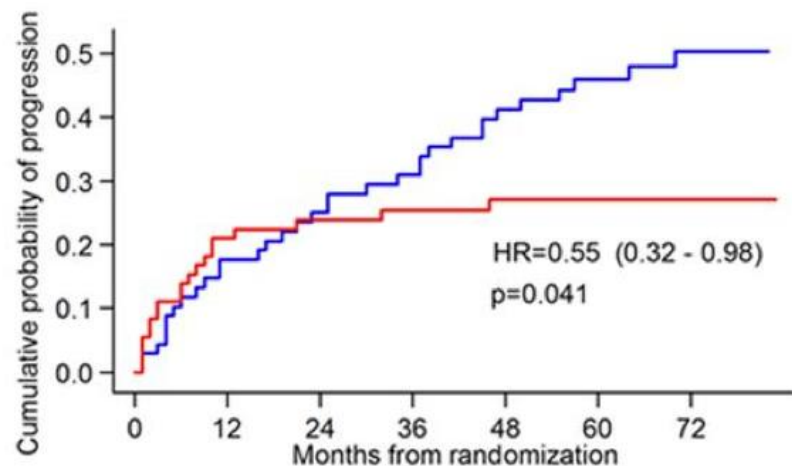
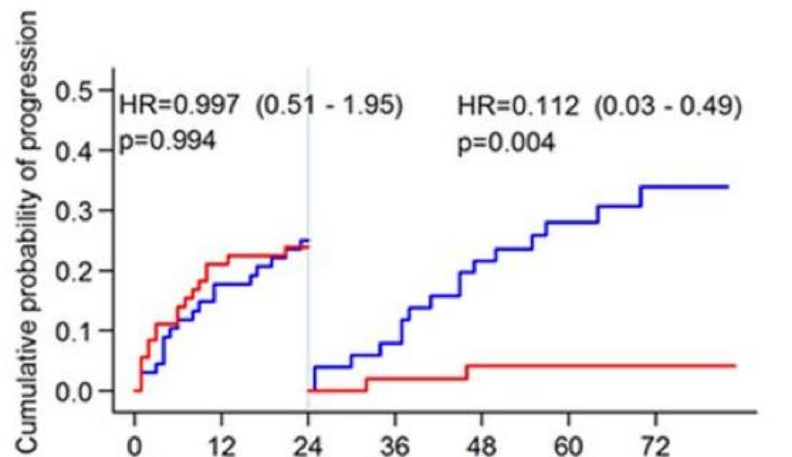
What do we achieve with TEVAR in TBAD?

Less later interventions

Less mortality after 5 years

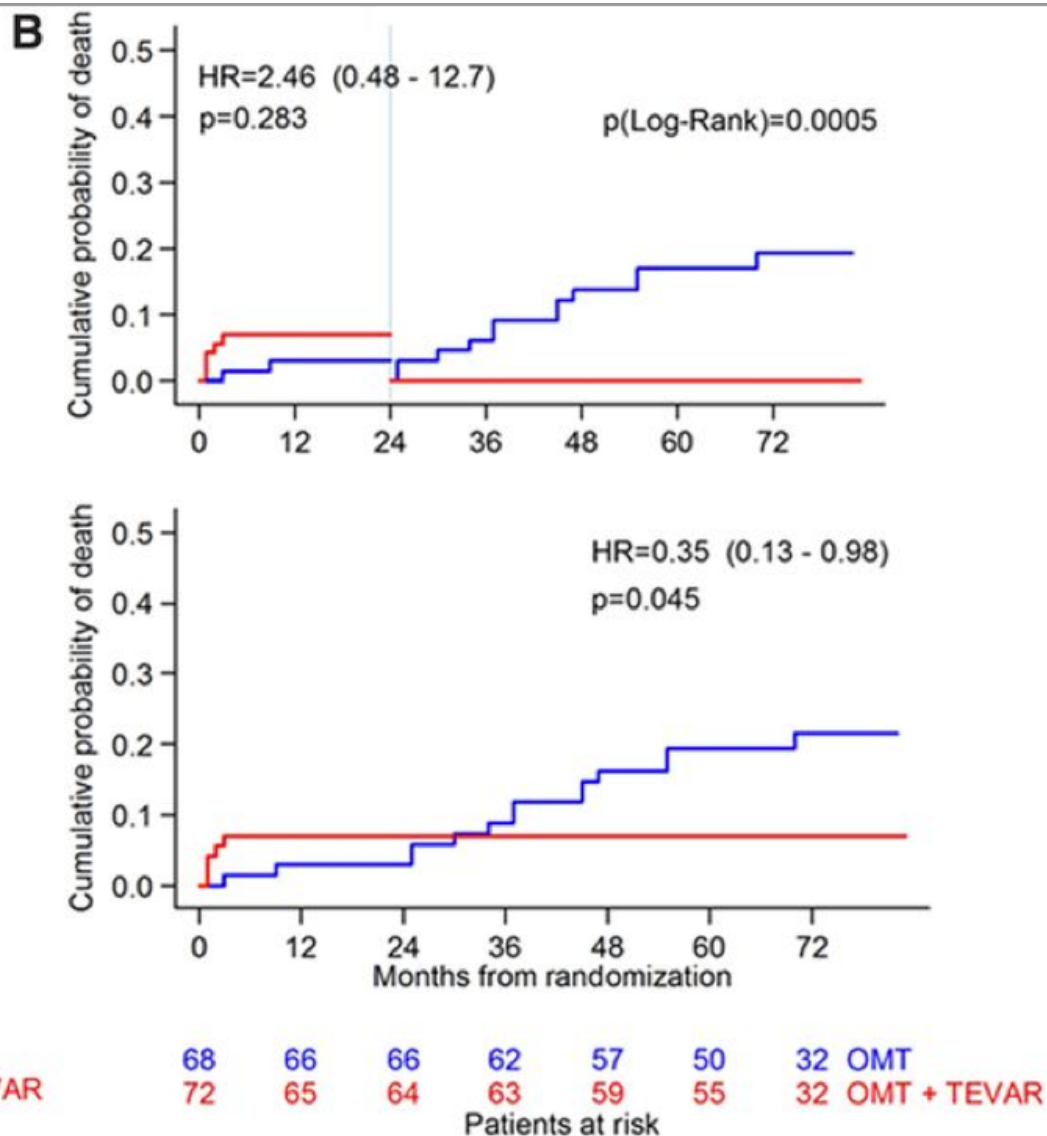
Remodeling with “Restitutio ad integrum”

If done in the acute setting

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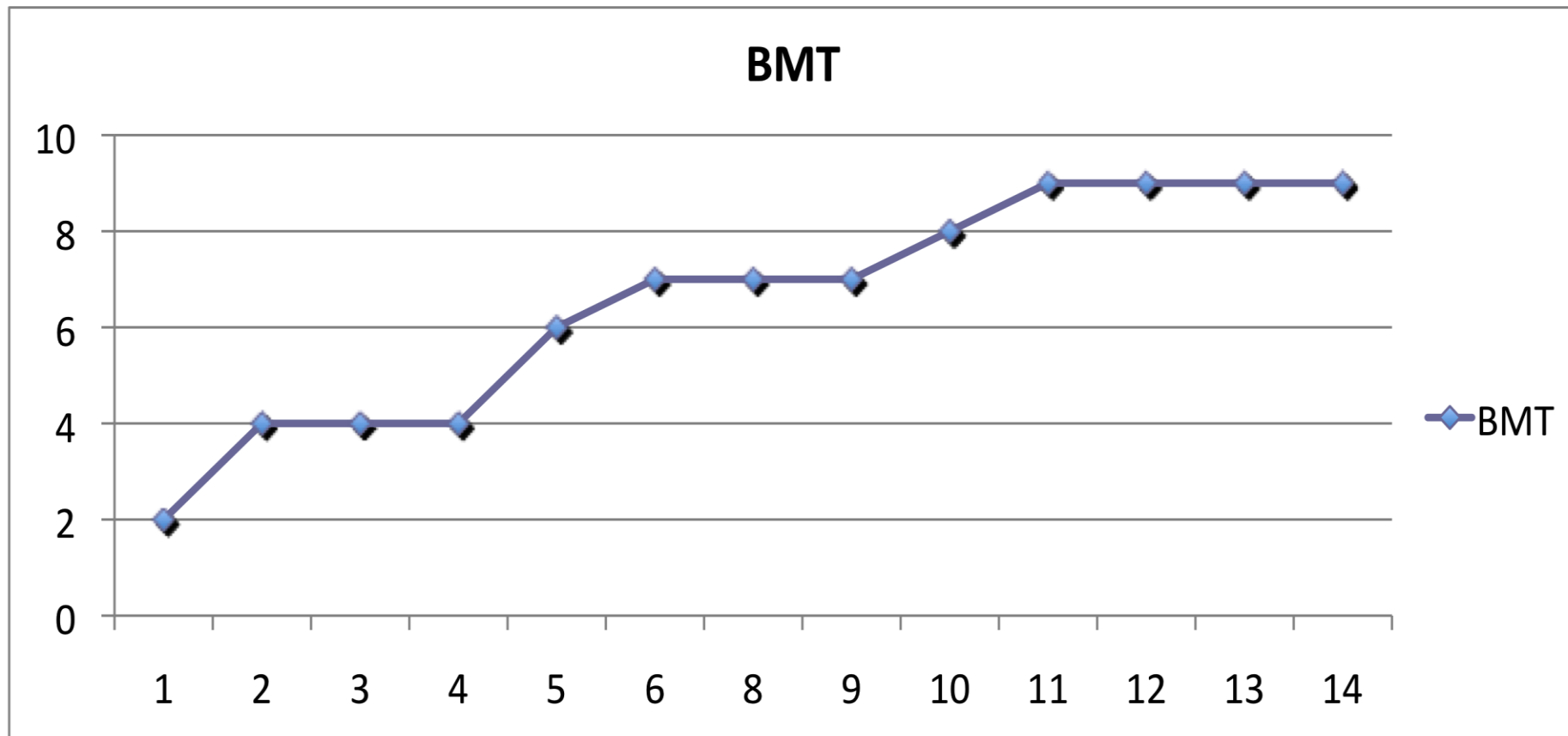
68	56	51	47	40	32	19	OMT
72	55	52	50	45	42	23	OMT+TEVAR

Patients at risk



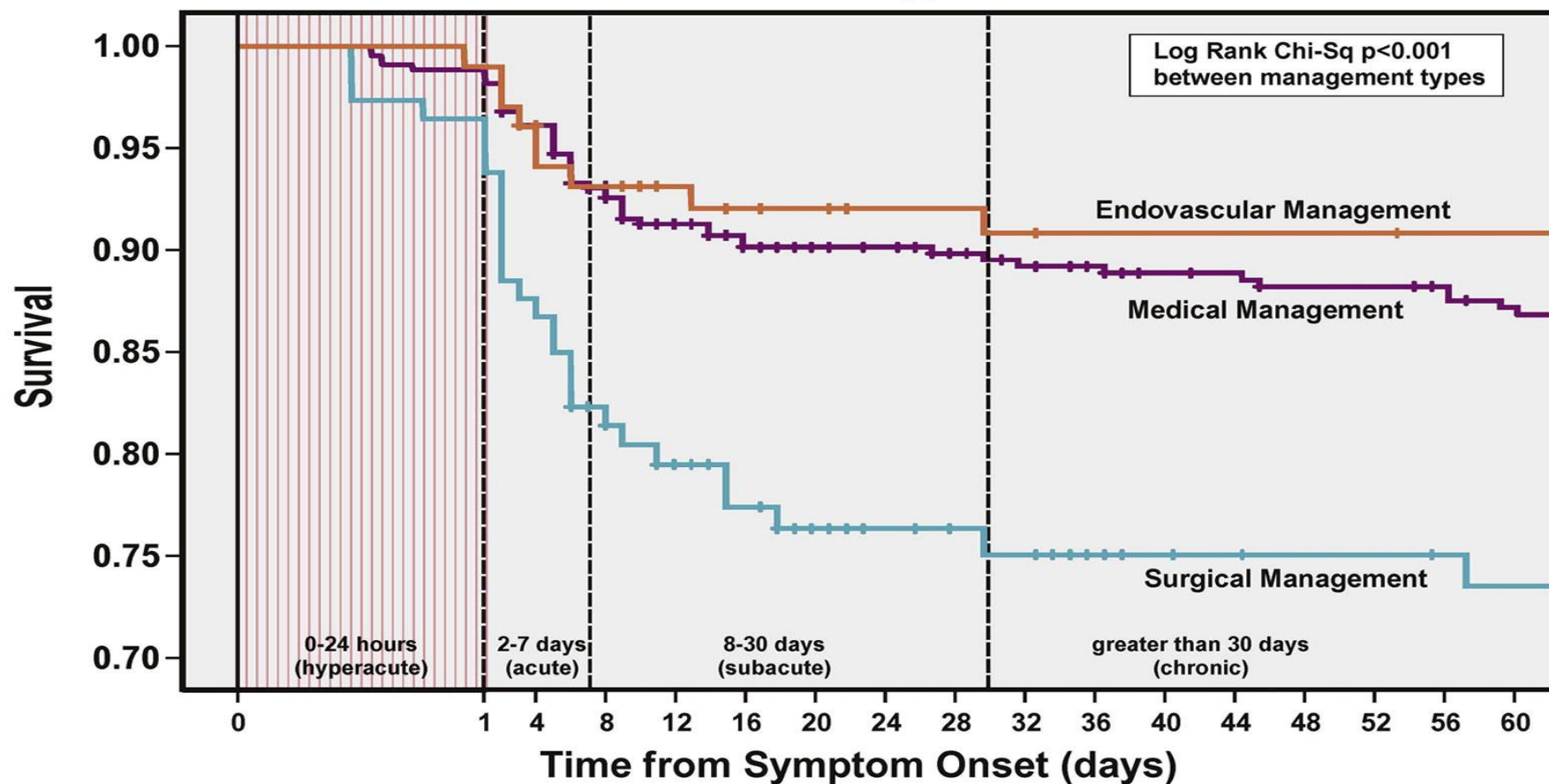


Mortality Acute Dissection (IRAD)



B

Kaplan-Meier Survival Curve Dissection Type: B





Is it not dangerous to place a stentgraft in the acute setting?

Risk for retrograde Type A dissection

Malperfusion distally

Stroke

Paraplegia

We cannot treat the whole dissection anyway

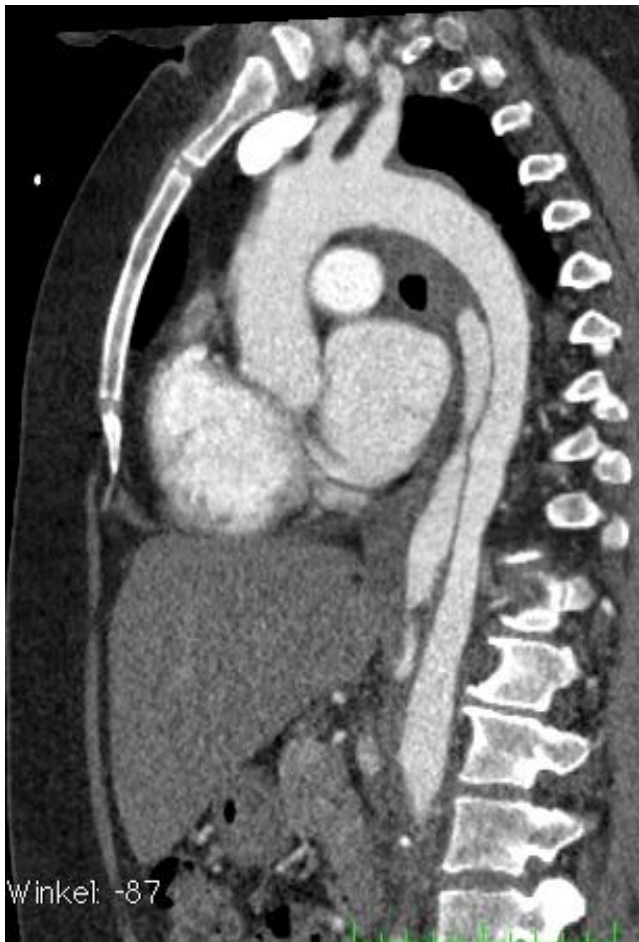


Mortality lower with TEVAR than BMT

	Group A	Group B		
	TEVAR	Open surgical repair	Medical management	<i>P</i> value*
Mortality and hospital stay				
Mortality at 30 d	2 (4%)	8 (40%)	4 (33%)	.006
Hospital stay (d, mean ± SD)	15.9 ± 11.4	16.6 ± 14.8	15.9 ± 10.2	.865
Postoperative complications				
Cardiac complications	3 (7%)	3 (15%)	2 (17%)	.265
Postoperative myocardial infarction	1 (2%)	1 (5%)	1 (8%)	.373
Acute renal failure	19 (42%)	4 (20%)	9 (75%)	.539
Requirement for dialysis	4 (9%)	3 (15%)	2 (17%)	.304
Gut ischemia	4 (9%)	1 (5%)	1 (8%)	.621
Respiratory failure	9 (20%)	2 (10%)	3 (25%)	.791
Paraplegia	6 (13%)	2 (10%)	1 (8%)	.728
Stroke	3 (7%)	0 (0%)	2 (17%)	.659

TAG[®] in acute dissection

DeBakey IIIA



One year follow up



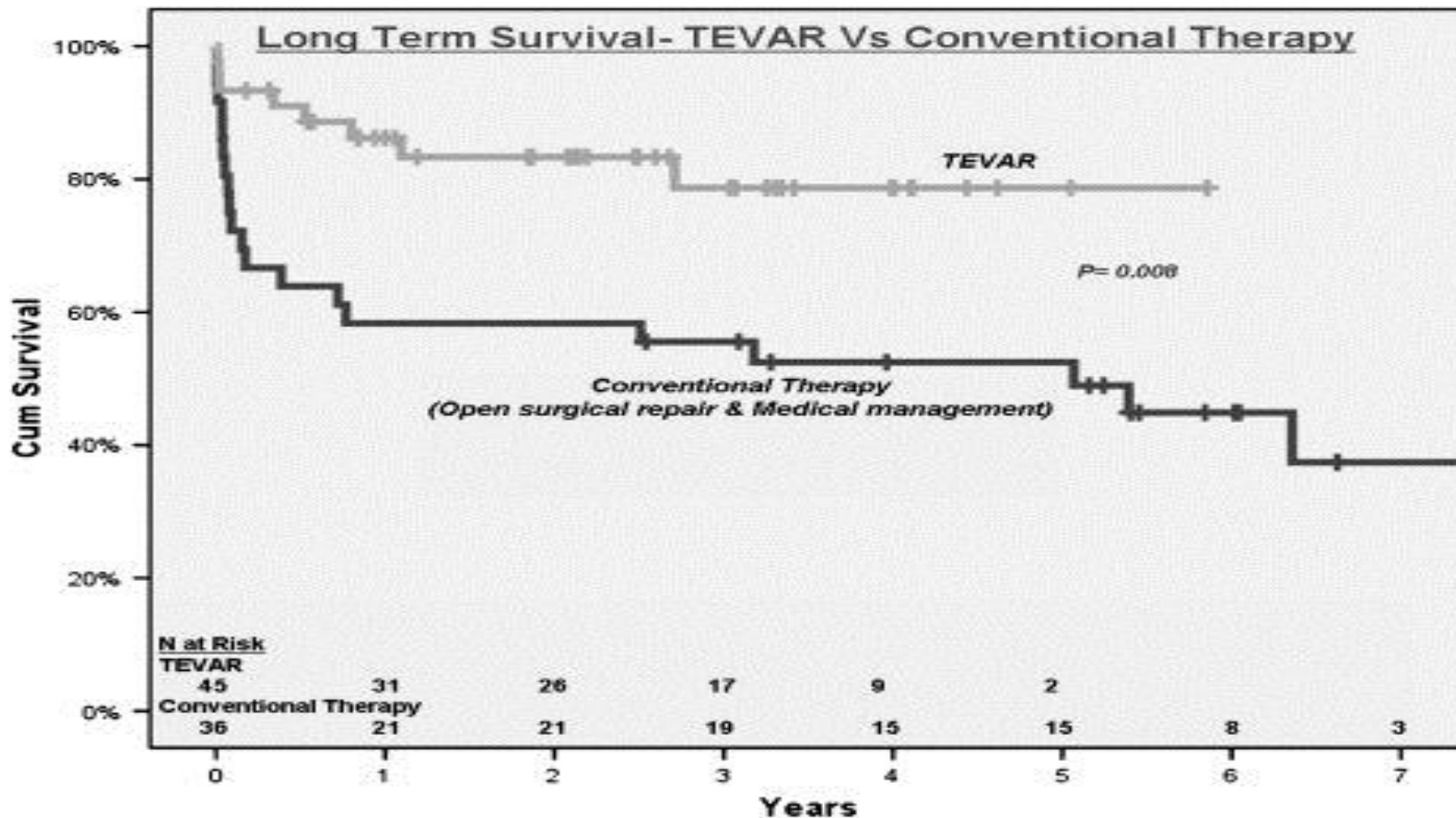


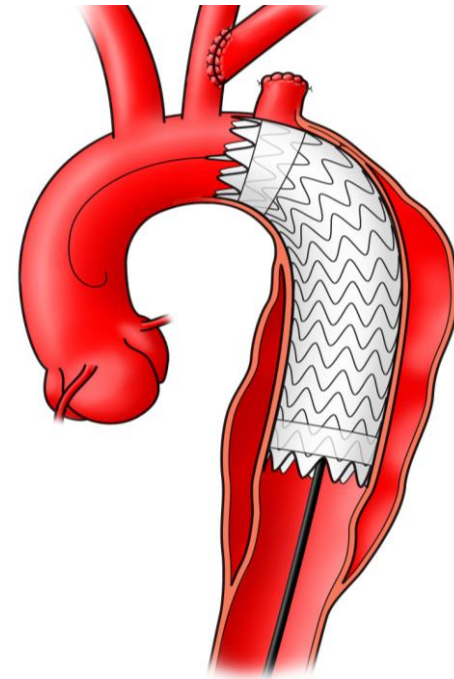
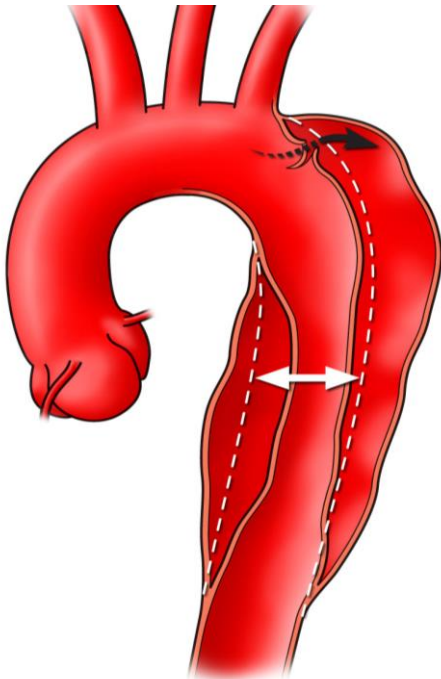
Figure 2 Kaplan–Meier survival curve demonstrating improved midterm survival with thoracic endovascular aortic repair (TEVAR) versus conventional open surgical and medical management (log-rank test, $P = .008$).

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Acute Dissection: Stent Graft OR Best Medical Therapy

Prospective Randomised trial





ADSORB trial

No deaths in neither group

No strokes

No paraplegia



BMT to TAG Crossovers <4days

Case 1.

Aortic Dilatation

Case 2.

Mesenteric Ischemia

Case 3.

Difficult blood pressure control → retrograde dissection



BMT Follow up

Case 4.

Expansion to over 6 cm

Case 5.

Fenestration (malperfusion)



What are the possible benefits of early intervention?

Fewer deaths

Less malperfusion

Less hypertensive medication

Earlier discharge



Summary

Acute Dissection is life threatening

The first 14 days are critical

Early treatment is not dangerous

It may save lives!



What Matt tells us publically

A recent report from the US in patient sample has identified a considerable mortality advantage over conventional surgical repair. Less certain is the place of endovascular therapy for chronic Type B dissections or in lesions that may be classified as sub-acute (between two and six weeks after the onset of dissection). There is a relatively sparse literature reporting the outcomes of endovascular therapy in non-acute dissections.



Let us listen to Matt!





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Thank you very much for your attention

