

Frequency and Safety of Bioprosthetic Valve Fracture in Patients Undergoing Valve-in-Valve TAVR for Failed Surgical Valves using SAPIEN 3/Ultra Valves: Insights From Real-World Data

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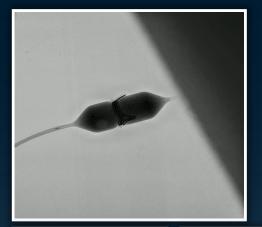
Increased Use of Bioprosthetic Valves and VIV-TAVR





Isaacs A.J. et al. J Thorac Cardiovasc Surg. 2015 May and Carroll et al. JACC 2022

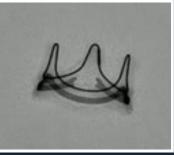
BVF Technique: How to do it?



- Intentional disruption of stent frame of the surgical heart valve
- To aid in THV expansion, improve mean gradients, increase effective orifice area



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TRU Balloon or Appearance Atlas Gold After Pressure Fracture

Not Fracturable

8 ATM

10 ATM



Not Fracturable

12 ATM

18 ATM

24 ATM



Allen et al. Ann Thoracic Surgery 2017

Gaps in Knowledge and Objective

Who Needs BVF?

- Patient selection
- All valves versus small surgical valves

How to define success?

- Gradients
- Outcomes
- Aortic valve area
- Long-term durability

When to perform BVF?

- Optimal timing
- Before versus after VIV-TAVR

Current experience is limited

- Small observational studies
- Limited and selected sites
- Lack of a control group

OBJECTIVE

To compare the safety and efficacy of VIV-TAVR with or without BVF



Methods

Study Population

Patients who underwent VIV-TAVR with SAPIEN 3 or SAPIEN 3 Ultra (S3/U) between December 2020 and March 2022 and included in the TVT Registry were identified

Analyses

BVF attempted vs BVF not attempted

BVF attempted *before* VIV-TAVR BVF attempted *after* VIV-TAVR

Outcomes

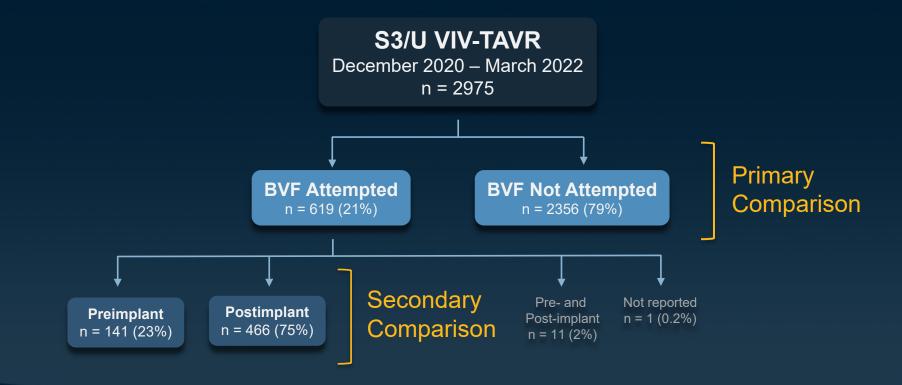
Safety All-cause in-hospital mortality

Hemodynamic

Echocardiographic aortic valve area and mean gradient



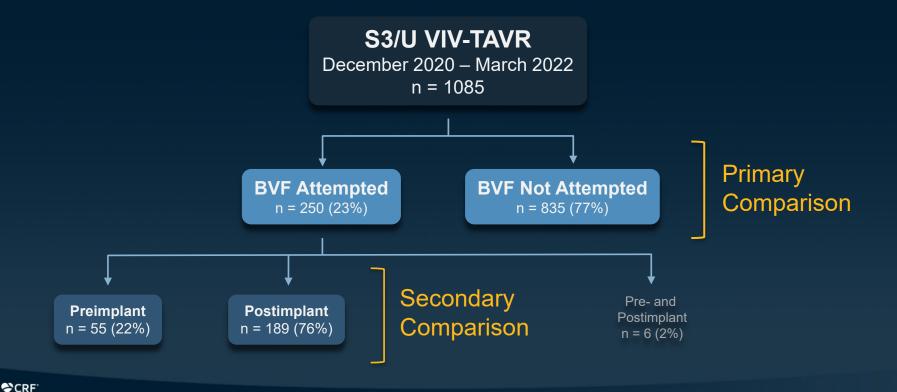
Study Flow: Safety Outcomes





Study Flow: Echocardiographic Outcomes

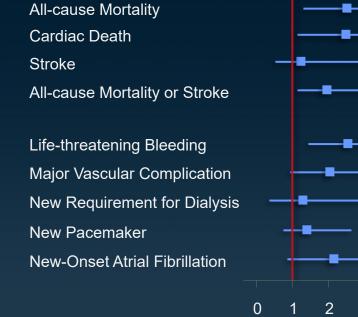
Includes only patients with known true internal diameter of surgical valve



In-Hospital Safety Outcomes: BVF vs No BVF

Primary Outcomes

Secondary Outcomes



	OR [95% CI]	p-value
-	2.51 [1.30, 4.84]	<0.01
	2.47 [1.13, 5.39]	0.02
	1.25 [0.52, 2.98]	0.62
	1.94 [1.13, 3.33]	0.02
	2.55 [1.44, 4.50]	<0.01
	2.06 [0.95, 4.44]	0.07
-	1.31 [0.35, 4.90]	0.69
	1.41 [0.76, 2.64]	0.28
_	2.17 [0.87, 5.43]	0.10

Favors BVF Favors No BVF

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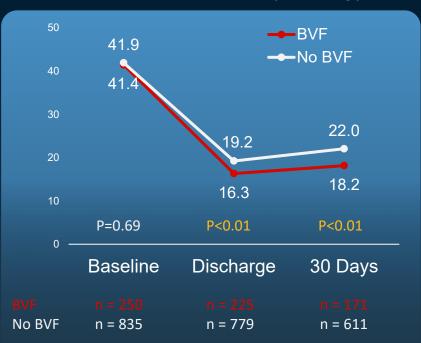
Echocardiographic Outcomes*: BVF vs No BVF

Aortic Valve Area (cm²)



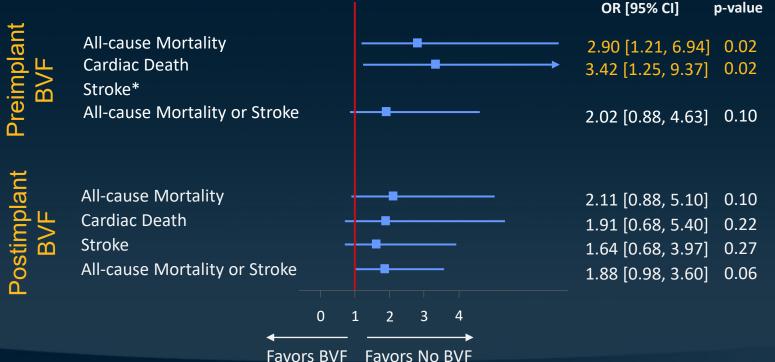
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Mean Valve Gradient (mm Hg)



IPTW Analysis; Hemodynamic outcomes are adjusted, patient n are unadjusted True ID was an additional covariate for adjusted hemodynamic outcomes

In-hospital Safety Outcomes: Preimplant and Postimplant BVF



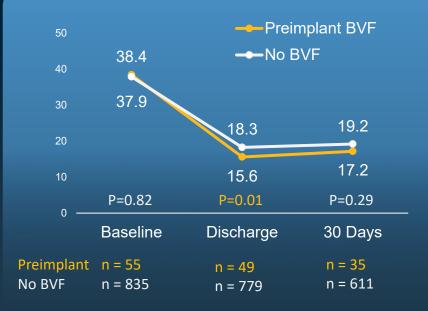
IPTW Adjusted, Significantly different *No stroke observed in the preimplant cohort

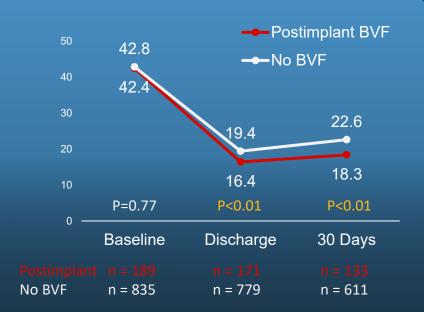


Mean Valve Gradient (mmHg): Preimplant and Postimplant BVF

Preimplant vs No BVF

Postimplant vs No BVF





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Conclusions

In contemporary U.S. experience with BVF as an adjunct to S3/U ViV-TAVR, BVF was associated with:

- Early hazard of in-hospital mortality
- Risk of mortality appears higher when BVF is performed prior to ViV-TAVR
- Modest differences in echocardiographic gradients and aortic valve area far less than previously reported
- Long-term risk/benefit of BVF needs to be further characterized
- Opportunity to standardize BVF indications, technique and post-procedural management





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