Safety and Efficacy of Transcatheter Edge-to-Edge Repair in Degenerative Mitral Regurgitation

An Analysis from the STS/ACC TVT Registry

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Background and Objective

• Transcatheter mitral-valve edge-to-edge repair (TEER) is currently FDA approved for degenerative mitral regurgitation (MR) in high surgical-risk patients.

• The contemporary outcomes of TEER in degenerative MR in the real-world setting are unknown.

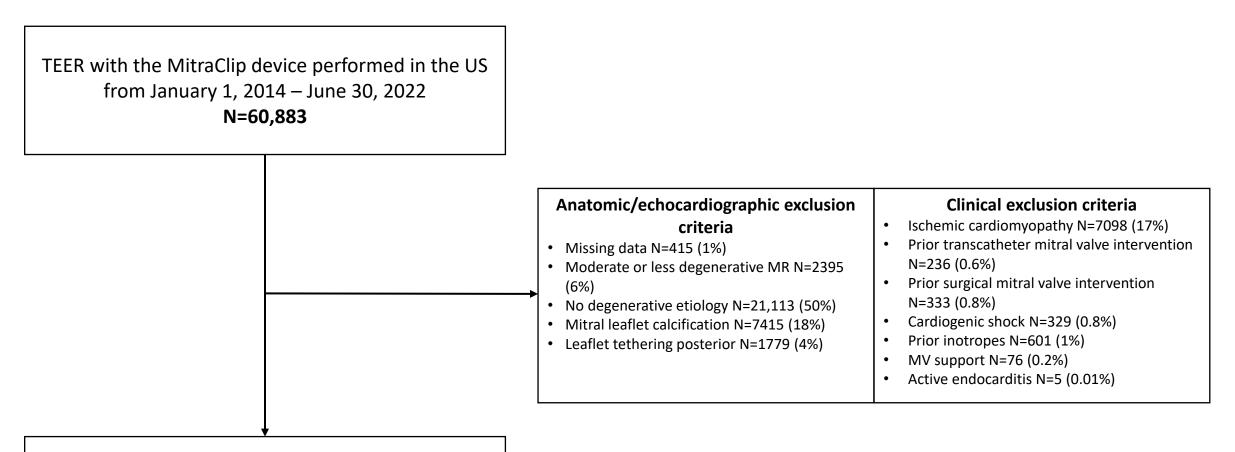
• We sought to evaluate the trends, procedural, and clinical outcomes of TEER for degenerative MR in the real-world STS/ACC TVT registry.

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Non-emergent TEER for moderate-severe or severe MR due to degenerative pathology N=19,088

Study Design and Participants

- Clinical data on etiology and severity of MR were site-reported*.
- Degenerative MR was defined as "MR secondary to abnormal leaflets and/or chordae. The leaflets may prolapse or flail into the left atrium".
- The severity of MR was graded as none/trace, mild (1+), moderate (2+), moderate-severe (3+) and severe (4+).
- All statistical analyses were conducted at the Duke Clinical Research Institute.

^{*} Data were entered in the registry according to the standardized definitions included in the TVT Registry data dictionary and according to American Society of Echocardiography guidelines

Outcomes

Primary end-point:

• MR success, defined as post-repair residual MR ≤ moderate and absence of severe stenosis (mean mitral gradient <10mmHg)

Secondary end-points:

- In-hospital, 30-day and 1-year clinical outcomes including death, heart failure readmission, and mitral valve reintervention
- Death and heart failure readmission, based on residual MR and mitral valve gradients

Baseline Characteristics

	Overall
	N=19,088
Age, median (IQR)	82 (76 - 86)
Female	9295 (49.0%)
STS score, median (IQR)	4.57% (2.8% - 7.4%)
Prior PCI	4506 (23.6%)
Prior CABG	3155 (16.6%)
Prior aortic valve procedure	1693 (8.9%)
Stroke	1875 (9.8%)
TIA	1267 (6.6%)
PAD	2596 (13.6%)
Current/recent smoker	904 (4.8%)
Hypertension	16183 (84.8%)
Diabetes mellitus	3934 (20.6%)

	Overall
	N=19088
Hemodialysis	470 (2.5%)
Chronic lung disease	6042 (31.9%)
Home oxygen	1963 (10.3%)
Prior MI	2828 (14.8%)
Heart failure within 2 weeks	14238 (77.0%)
Carotid stenosis	1659 (12.5%)
Atrial fibrillation/flutter	11460 (60.1%)
CAD	8483 (47.0%)
Number of diseased vessels	
1 Vessel	2875 (17.5%)
2 Vessels	1892 (11.5%)
3 Vessels	2619 (15.9%)

Baseline Echo

	Overall
	N=19,088
LVEF	58 (53 - 63)
LVISD	3.30 (2.9 - 3.9)
LVIDD	5.00 (4.4 - 5.5)
MR severity	
Moderate to severe	3391 (17.8%)
Severe	15697 (82.2%)
Mitral stenosis	805 (4.3%)
MV area	4.00 (2.8 - 5.0)
MV mean gradient	2.00 (2.0 - 4.0)

	Overall
Mitral valve anatomy	N=19,088
Leaflet prolapse	11754 (80.2%)
Leaflet prolapse location	
Anterior	2421 (16.5%)
Posterior	6740 (46.0%)
Bi-leaflet	2593 (17.7%)
Flail leaflet	7703 (62.7%)
Leaflet flail location	
Anterior	1365 (11.1%)
Posterior	6062 (49.3%)
Bi-leaflet	276 (2.3%)

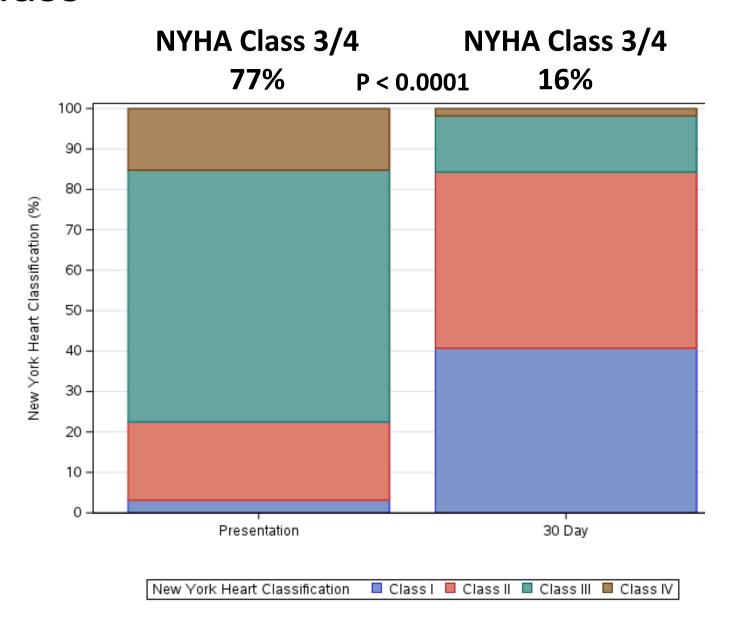
In-hospital outcomes

Variable	Overall			
	N=19,088			
Death	207 (1.1%)			
Death during the procedure	11 (0.06%)			
Unplanned cardiac surgery or intervention	207 (1.1%)			
Stroke	118 (0.62%)			
Ischemic stroke	108 (0.57%)			
Hemorrhagic stroke	11 (0.06%)			
Transient ischemic attack	20 (0.1%)			
Stroke or TIA	138 (0.72%)			
New requirement for dialysis	65 (0.34%)			
Cardiac arrest	115 (0.6%)			

30-day Outcomes

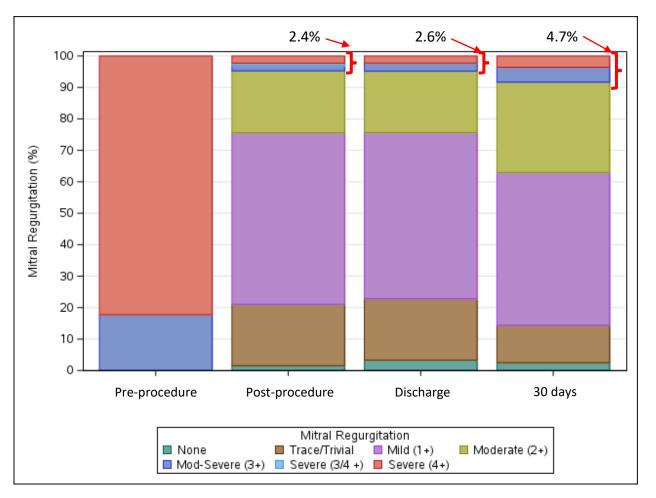
Variables	Overall			
	N=19,088			
Death	464 (2.66%)			
MV Reintervention	164 (0.97%)			
Heart failure readmission	437 (2.6%)			
Unplanned cardiac surgery or intervention	283 (1.7%)			
Unplanned vascular surgery or intervention	100 (0.59%)			
Stroke	195 (1.2%)			
Stroke or TIA	235 (1.4%)			
New requirement for dialysis	86 (0.51%)			

NYHA Class



Echocardiographic outcomes

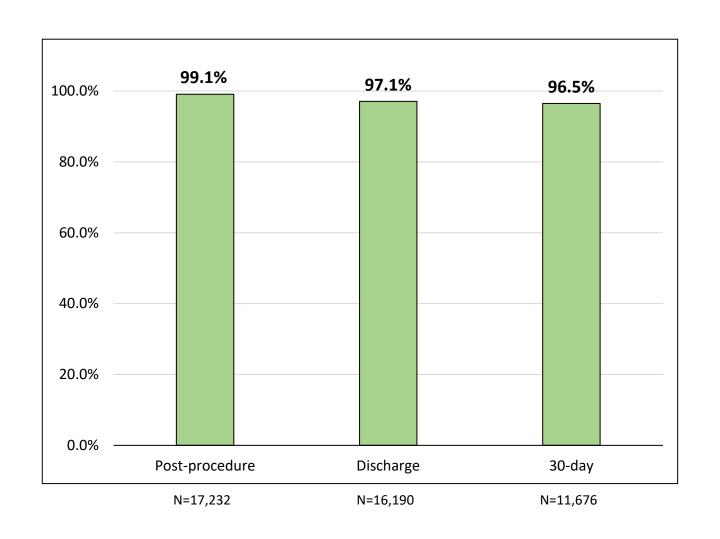
MR severity



MR severity ≤ 2+	
Post-procedure	17,292 (97.6%)
Discharge	16,325 (97.4%)
30 days	11,119 (95.3%)
MR severity ≤ 1+	
Post-procedure	13,725 (77.5%)
Discharge	12,969 (77.4%)
30 days	7,669 (65.7%)

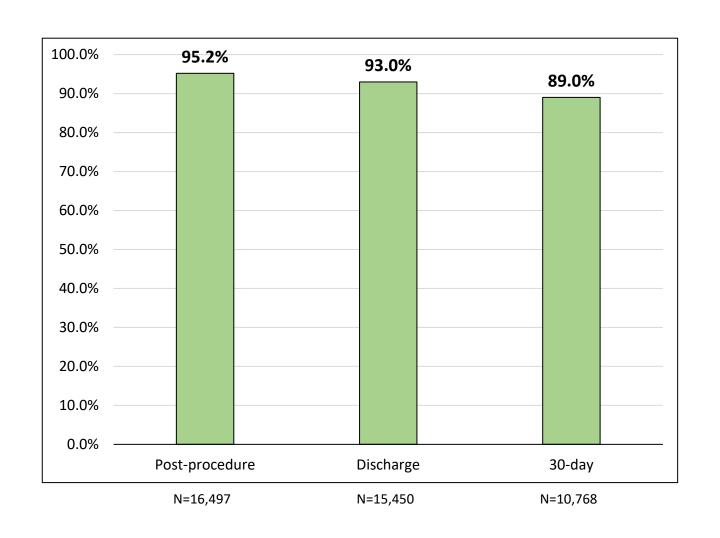
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Mean mitral valve gradient < 10mmHg

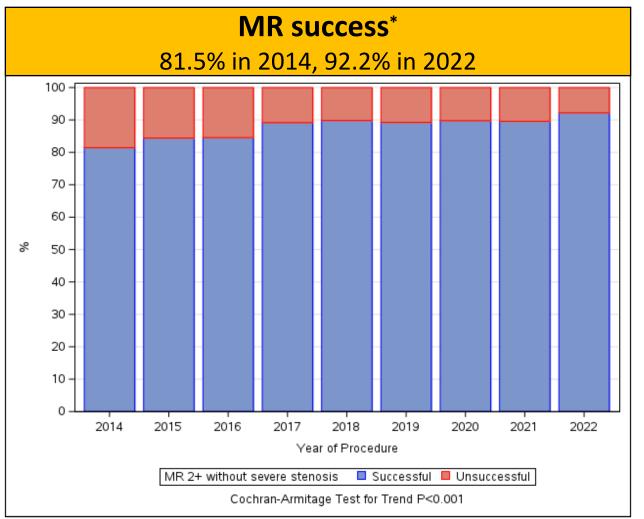


Primary end-point

MR success (MR ≤ 2+ and mean mitral gradient < 10mmHg)



Annualized MR success

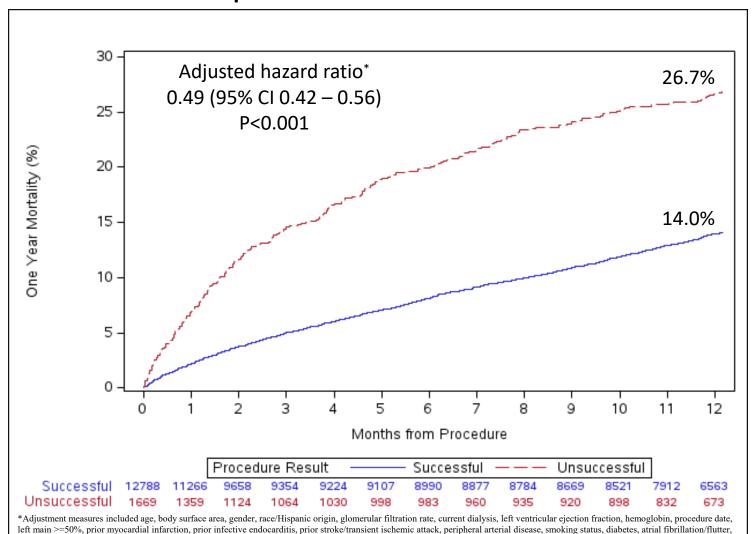


^{*} Overall MR success was calculated using reported 30-day measures; if 30-day measures were not reported, then the reported discharge measures were used; if discharge measures were missing, then post-procedure measures were used.

	Overall (N=18,766)				2015 (N=879)		2016 (N=1,443)		2017 (N=1,986)		2018 (N=2,321)		2019 (N=3,161)		2020 (N=3,062)		2021 (N=3,718)		2022 (N=1,781)	
MR success	16,699	89.0%	338	81.5%	742	84.4%	1,220	84.6%	1,771	89.2%	2,085	89.8%	2,821	89.2%	2,749	89.8%	3,331	89.6%	1,642	92.2%

Mortality at 1 year

MR success vs unsuccessful procedure

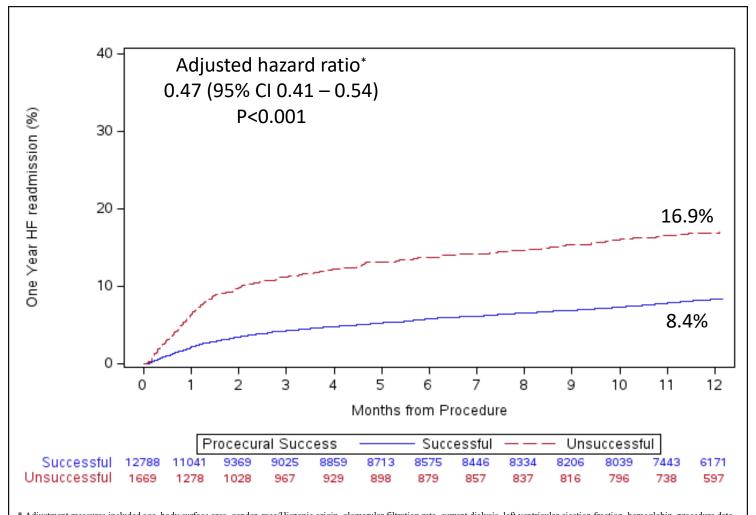


home oxygen use, hostile chest, porcelain aorta, prior permanent pacemaker, previous implantable cardioverter defibrillator, prior percutaneous coronary intervention, prior coronary artery

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Heart failure readmission at 1 year

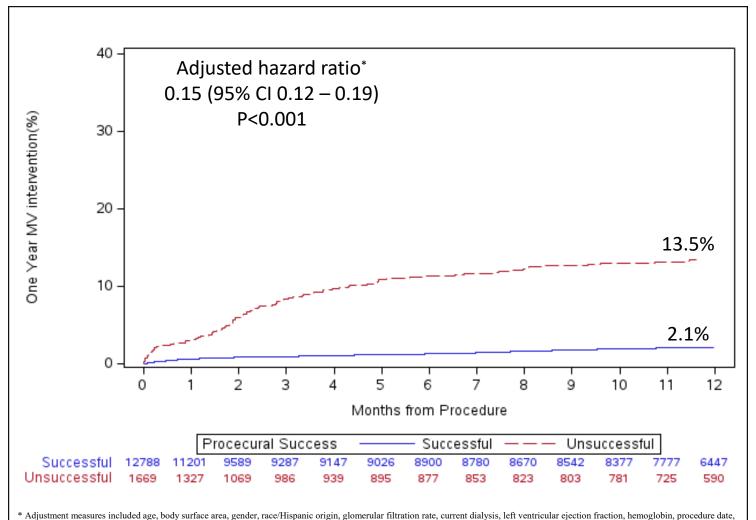
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Mitral valve reintervention at 1 year

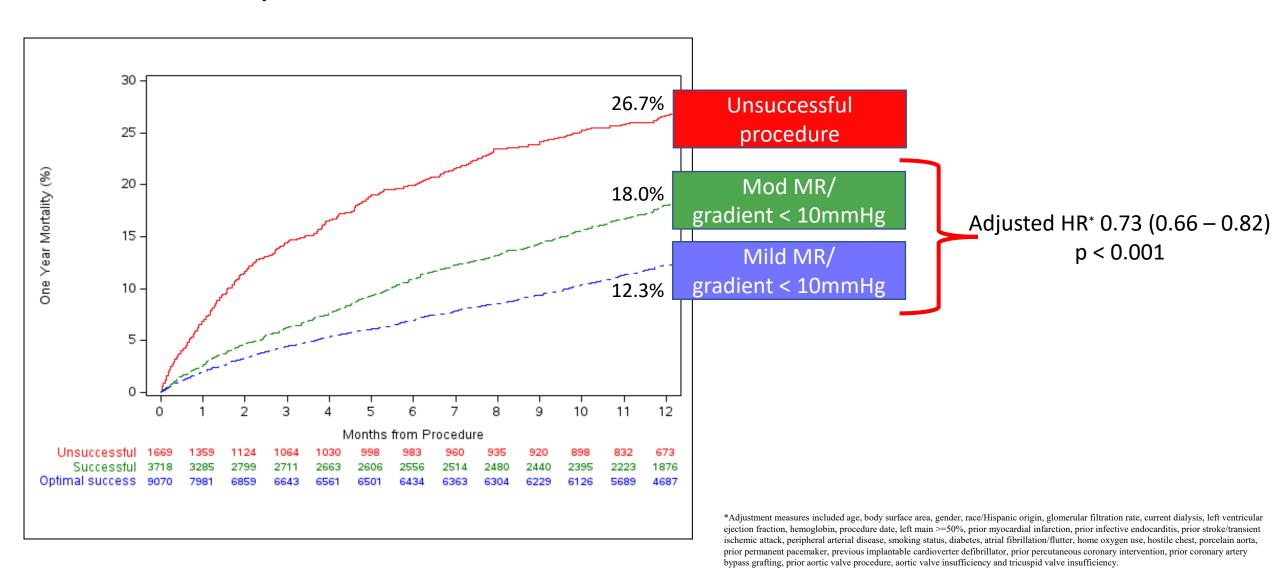
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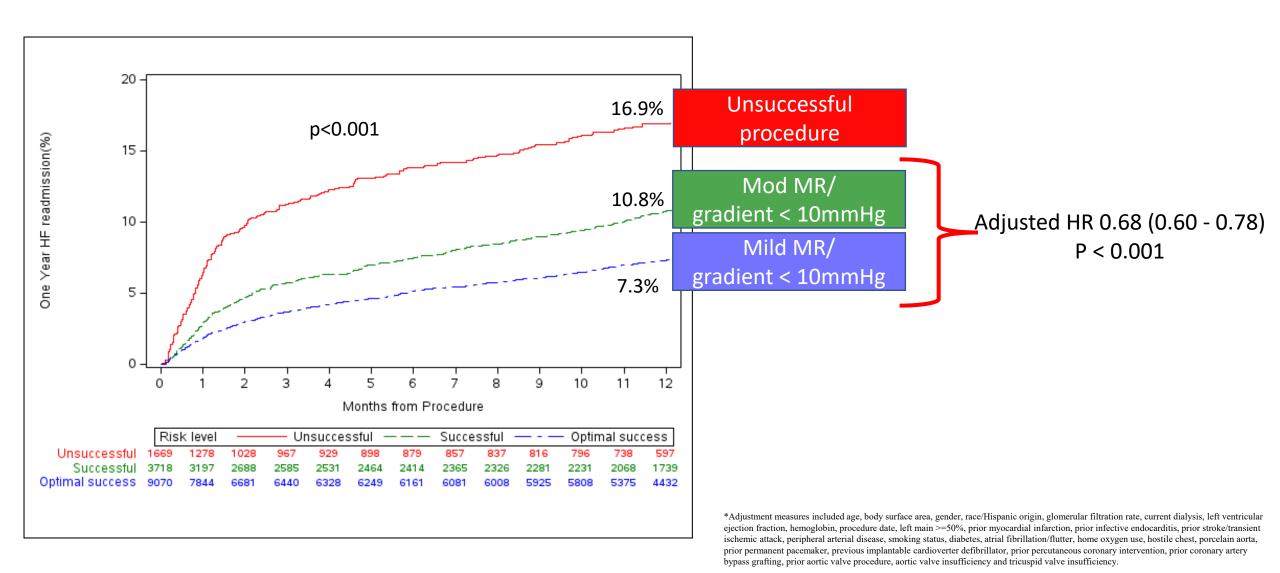
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Death at 1 year

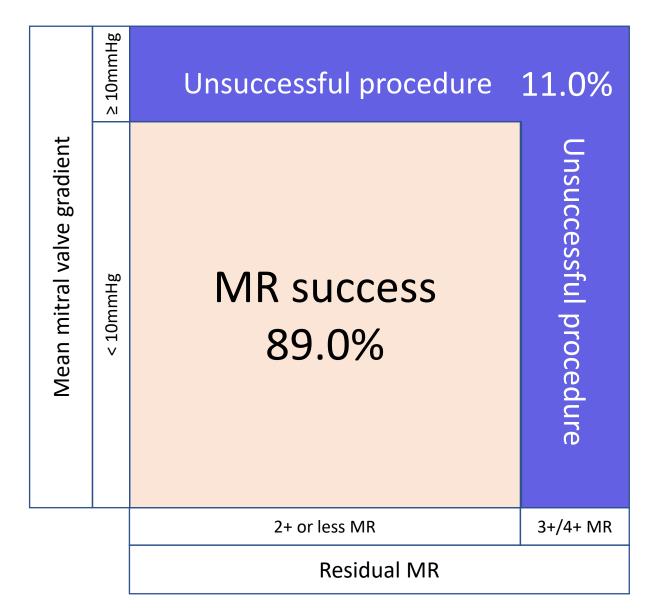


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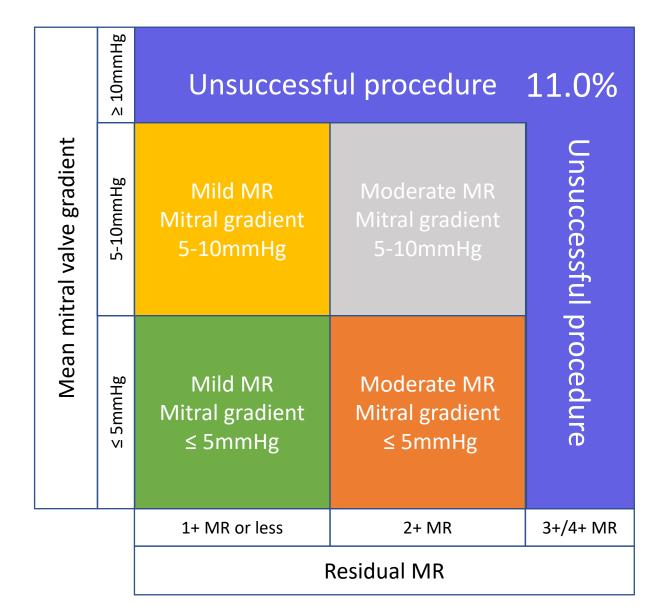
Heart failure readmission at 1 year



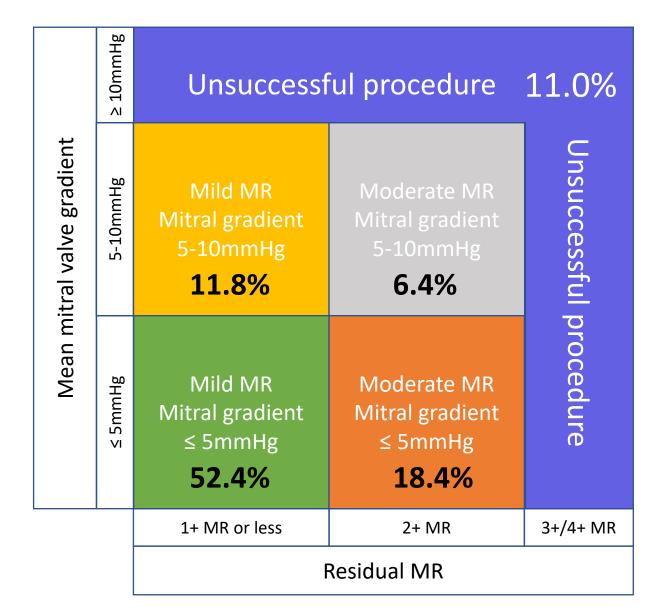
Categories of MR success



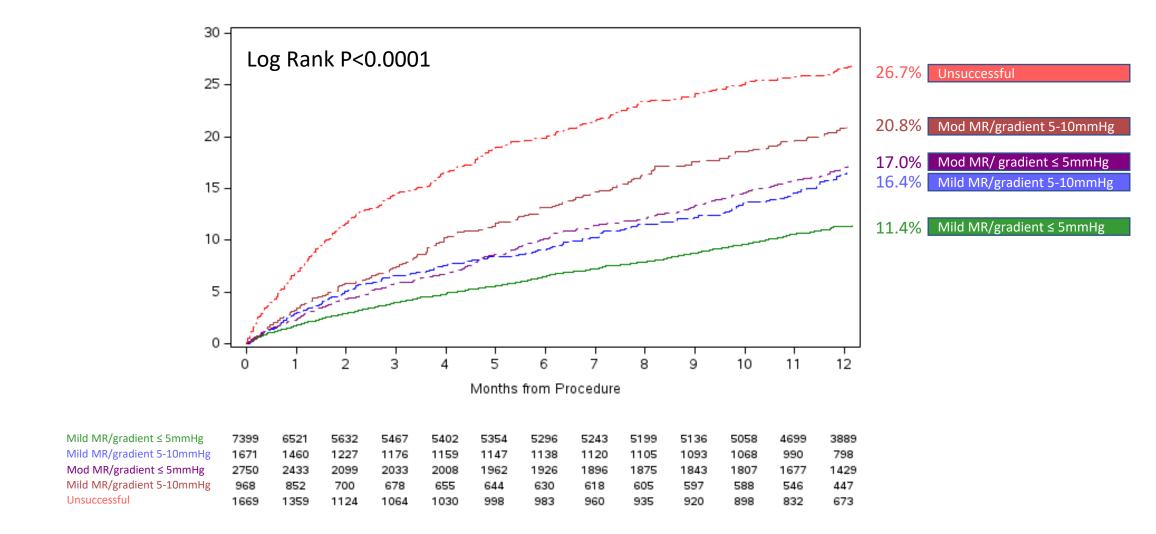
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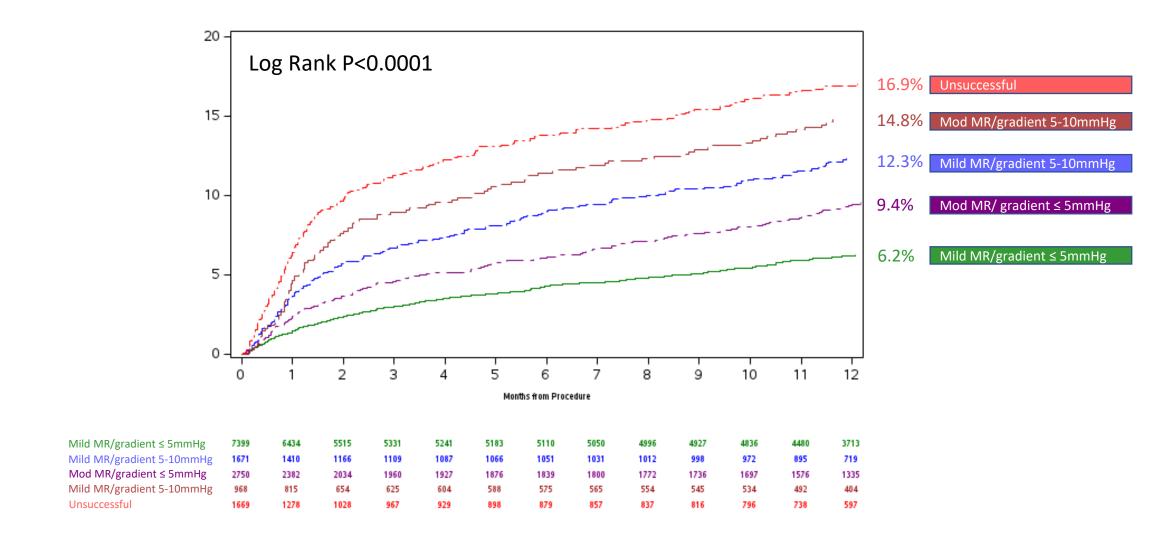
Categories of MR success



Mortality at 1 year, stratified according to categories of MR success



Heart failure readmission at 1 year, stratified according to categories of MR success



Study limitations

• Site-reported data with no echocardiographic core laboratory or independent adjudication of clinical events.

Incomplete echocardiographic and clinical follow-up.

Lack of a surgical or medically treated group as the comparator arm.

• Follow-up limited to 1-year.

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• The safety profile was excellent despite advanced age (82 years) and significant comorbidities (median STS 4.6).

In-hospital mortality 1.08%, stroke 0.62%, unplanned cardiac surgery or intervention 1.08% and new requirement for dialysis 0.34%.

- Successful repair, defined as reduction in MR severity to moderate or less and no severe stenosis, was achieved in 89% of the patients.
- Patients with successful repair, compared to those with unsuccessful repair, had lower mortality (14.0% vs 26.7%), heart failure readmission (8.4% vs 16.9%) and mitral valve reintervention (2.1% vs 13.5%) rates at 1 year.

Conclusions, cont'd.

- Both residual MR and mitral gradients were associated with death and heart failure readmission at 1 year, with the best clinical outcomes in patients with mild or less residual MR and no mitral stenosis.
- Over an 8-year time period during the study, the procedural volumes and success rates increased significantly.

Study implications

• Transcatheter mitral valve repair with the MitraClip device is a safe and effective treatment for degenerative MR patients who are at elevated risk for surgery.

 The goal of transcatheter mitral valve repair for degenerative MR should be to achieve mild or less residual MR without creating significant mitral stenosis.