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## Aorta and LVAD: Where do we stand?

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#### ADVANCES IN MECHANICAL CIRCULATORY SUPPORT

### Living Without a Pulse

The Vascular Implications of Continuous-Flow Left Ventricular Assist Devices

- -SNA modulated by rythmic pulsatile distension
- -CF-LVAD have elevated levels of SNA
- -Hypertension may be driven by these high level of SNA
- -restoration of PF may reduce SNA
- -Down regulation of adrenergic receptors in non-PF
- -Alterations in the vascular smooth muscle
- -Increased shear stress on the Ao V
- -Increase the aortic root diameter
- -Aortopathy on the aortic wall: increase in aortic stiffness
- -Decrease aortic compliance

VAD and continuous flow: What are the problems?



Vascular Complications Observed in Patients Living without a Pulse



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**Pulse Patients** 

P<0.0001

LVAD No Pulse

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Aortic Strain (%) 1. 05

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**CONCLUSIONS** Aortic stiffness is markedly increased immediately post-OHT among patients bridged with CF-LVADs, with attenuation of this increased stiffness over the first year after transplant. These results suggest that aortic vascular properties are dynamic and may be influenced by alterations in flow pulsatility. As more patients are supported with

Pulsatile or non pulsatile flow: Myth or **reality**?



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# Arterial wall histology in chronic pulsatile-flow and continuous-flow device circulatory support

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In conclusion, long-term mechanical circulatory support with CF devices seems not to adversely influence arterial wall properties of the end-organ vasculature. Further

Pulsatile or non pulsatile flow: **Myth** or reality?





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#### Message 1

CF-LVAD= concomitant vascular changes

Variations in physiological blood flow = key factor to understand common complications Beneficial effects of pulsatility

Potential for dynamic remodeling within the aorta in alterations of blood flow patterns



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Numerical simulation of left ventricular assist device implantations: Comparing the ascending and the descending aorta cannulations

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0.25 0.5 0.75 Normalized heart beat time

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LVAD outflow-graft anastomosis location in Abdominal aorta Right common carotid

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54

40

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0.25 0.5 0.75 Normalized heart beat time



LVAD outflow-graft anastomosis location in the descending aorta



### Ventricular Assist Device Outflow-Graft Site: Effect on Myocardial Blood Flow

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□LVAsc ■LVDesc ■RVAsc ■RVDesc

#### Conclusion

Our data suggest that regional myocardial blood flow was not adversely affected by the location of the outflow-graft anastomosis (ascending *versus* descending aorta) in healthy calves implanted with



**ORIGINAL ARTICLE** 

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#### Left ventricular assist device implantation with left lateral thoracotomy with anastomosis to the descending aorta

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Table 1:         Propensity matching statistics						
Parameters	Thoracotomy	Sternotomy	P-value			
Patients	30	30				
Age (years), mean ± SD	57.2 ± 9.4	56.4 ± 6.7	0.7163			
BMI $(kg/m^2)$ , mean ± SD	26.0 ± 5.2	27.0 ± 4.3	0.4331			
RAP (mmHg), mean ± SD	16.3 ± 6.9	14.6 ± 6.4	0.3387			
BUN (mg/dl), mean ± SD	65.1 ± 28.8	63.6 ± 38.6	0.8622			
Creatinine (mg/dl), mean ± SD	1.37 ± 0.45	1.29 ± 0.78	0.6216			
Ischaemic (vs dilated), n (%)	25 (90.0)	25 (83.3)	0.7065			
INTERMACS Profile 3, n (%)	18 (60.0)	21 (70.0)	0.2728			

In this study, we could not show any statistically significant difference in outcomes between the standard sternotomy and lateral thoracotomy with outflow graft anastomosis to the descending aorta approach. In our single-centre experience, we found lateral

		Thoracotomy (N = 30)	Sternotomy (N = 30)	P-value
Ľ	Perioperative outcomes (≤30 days), <i>n</i>			
R	<30-day mortality	2	2	>0.99
	Mechanical ventilation >48 h	7	6	>0.99
	6-Month safety outcomes, n			
	Gastrointestinal bleeding	3	6	0.47
	Cerebrovascular accident			
	Ischaemic	2	1	>0.99
	Haemorrhagic	1	2	>0.99
	TIA	2	4	0.67
	Reoperation for bleeding	3	3	>0.99
	Pump thrombus	3	1	0.61
	Driveline infection	1	4	0.35
	Right ventricular failure			
	Inotropes required >14 days	5	2	0.42
	Temporary RVAD placement	0	0	NE
	Late RHF	4	3	>0.99
	De novo severe aortic	2	2	>0.99
	regurgitation			
	Survival outcomes, n (%)			
	30-Day mortality	2 (6.7)	2 (6.7)	>0.99
	6-Month mortality	8 (26.7)	5 (16.7)	0.53
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#### First results of HeartWare left ventricular assist device implantation with tunnelling of the outflow graft through the transverse sinus

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	Transverse sinus (Group A)	Conventional (Group B)	P-value
Total cohort study	17	85	
Adverse events			
Death after LVAD implantation, <i>n</i> (%)	3 (17.7)	15 (17.64)	0.875
LVAD thrombosis, n (%)	2 (11)	4 (4.7)	0.570
Ischaemic stroke, n (%)	3 (17.65)	5 (5.88)	0.023
Blood product administration			
RBC received in OR, mean $\pm$ SD	1.4 ± 2.0	2.6 ± 3.6	0.171
FFP received in OR, mean ± SD	1.3 ± 1.7	2.6 ± 2.0	0.049
PC received in OR, mean ± SD	1.3 ± 1.0	1.5 ± 1.0	0.496
RBC postoperatively, mean ± SD	4.4 ± 5.0	4.4 ± 6.9	0.522
FFP postoperatively, mean ± SD	4.7 ± 4.5	2.4 ± 3.5	0.023
PC postoperatively, mean ± SD	0.5 ± 1.1	1.3 ± 5.0	0.860

#### CONCLUSION

LVAD implants with tunnelling of the outflow graft through the transverse sinus is practicable and associated with positive features providing equivalent results compared with standard outflow graft anastomosis via less invasive LVAD implants. Especially, the protection of the outflow graft in redo cases is the major advantage of this technique. Therefore, this procedure may be particularly suitable for younger patients who follow a bridge-totransplant strategy.







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### Message 2

### LVAD anastomosis to ascending or descending aorta No evident difference No robust data either...









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CASE REPORT



### Successful implantation of HeartWare HVAD left ventricular assist device with concomitant ascending and sinus of valsalva aneurysms repair





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### Message 3

## Multiple possibilities to perform the outflow anatomosis Aortic root associated procedures are feasible Which approach is the best ?

Keynote Lecture Series

#### Different surgical strategies for implantation of continuous-flow VADs—Experience from Deutsches Herzzentrum Berlin

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The hemodynamic effects of the LVAD outflow cannula location on the thrombi distribution in the aorta: A primary numerical study

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In brief, the LVAD outflow cannula location could significantly change the hemodynamic states and the distribution of thrombi in the aorta. In the anterior configuration, the thrombi have lower probability to cause stroke than that in the lateral configuration. Hence, besides improving the structure Computational fluid dynamic study of hemodynamic effects on aortic root blood flow of systematically varied left ventricular assist device graft anastomosis design

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#### Perspective

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A systematic haemodynamic study demonstrated that the design of LVAD anastomosis to the aortic wall will have significant influence to the blood flow in ascending aorta.

Not only the angle of the anastomosis...

## Fortuity or Causality in Minimally Invasive LVAD Implantation: Relation Between Outflow Graft Height of Implantation Along the Ascending Aorta and Cerebral Ischemic Events J. Bejko, T. Bottio, G. Bortolussi, M. Gallo, R. Bianco, V. Tarzia,

A. Guariento, G. Gerosa. Cardiac Surgery, Padova, Italy.



 INVITED COMMENTARY

 Strokes are the achilles heel of LVAD therapy

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**Conclusion:** The highest outflow vascular graft implantation along the ascending aorta, nearby the supra-aortic vessels, was the most common location associated to the ischemic stroke events.





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## Message 4

## LVAD implantation technique is important for outcome!



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#### **Conclusions**

CF-LVAD have an impact on sympathetic regulation of the cardiovascular system Vascular changes under CF-LVAD remain unclear Various techniques and sites to perform the outflow tract anastomosis Surgical technique may be important to consider to improve outcome! More randomized studies are needed!



Toward a specific patient LVAD implantation!





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## **Thank you! Questions?**

