Endovascular treatment for Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm





Natural History



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Definition of Abdominal aortic aneurysm

- Segmental, full-thickness dilatation of abdominal aorta exceeding the normal vessel diameter by 50%
- Aneurysm diameter of **3.0** cm regarded as threshold
- Distinct degenerative process involving all layers of vessel wall
- Most common site of aneurysm: infrarenal (85%)
 - Infrarenal Aorta ; 1.4 ~ 3.0 cm
 - Average Aorta ; 2.0 cm



Risk for Rupture

- Proportional to aneurysm size
- 1966, Szilagyi compared < 6 cm to > 6 cm
 - Follow up rupture rate: 43 % vs. 20%
 - 5-year survival: 6 % vs. 48%
- 1977, Darling analyzed AAA autopsy, pts., 25% ruptured
 - < 4 cm: 10%
 - 4-7 cm: 25%
 - 7-10 cm: 46%
 - >10 cm: 61%

473 consecutive AAA





Risk for Rupture

	Annual	5-year
< 4 cm	0%	
4-5 cm	0.5-5%	2.5-25%
5-6 cm	3-15%	15-75%
6-7 cm	10-20%	50-100%
7-8 cm	20-40%	100%
>8 cm	30-50%	100%





Risk for Rupture









Recommended intervals for Surveillance for small aneurysm

Country	Diameter, cm	Surveillance Interval, mo		
England	3.0-4.4	12		
	4.5-5.4	3		
United States	2.5-2.9	50		
	3.0-3.4	36		
	3.5-4.4	12		
	4.5-5.4	6		
Norway	3.0-3.9	24		
	4.0-4.5	12		
	4.5-5.5	3-6		





Guidelines for Repair of AAA

- Repair for males with AAA > 5.5 cm (IB)
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- Aneurysm growth exceeds 1 cm/year (IB)

- Large aneurysm suitable for EVAR, open or endovascular repair is recommended (IA)
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Surgical vs. Endovascular Repair

Open Repair Endovascular Repair







AAA Repair Options

OPEN REPAIR

First performed at 1951 Now involves placement of Dacron or PTFE graft 2-4% operative death rate 5-10% complication rate

ENDOVASCULAR

First performed at 1987 Less invasive, Through femoral vessels Only certain types of AAA can be repaired





Elective Open Repair AAA



JAMA. 2009;302(18):2015





Elective Open Repair AAA

- Major surgical procedure Mortality 2% to 5%
- Complications

 Pseudoaneurysm
 Erectile dysfunction
 Aortoenteric fistula
 Graft thrombosis
 Graft infection



• Recovery period 6 weeks to 4 months



Endovascular Repair



JAMA. 2009;302(18):2015





EVAR, as an Alternative to OSR



- \checkmark Avoidance of major abdominal surgery
- No cross-clamping of aorta
- Avoidance of surgery-specific complications (i.e. sexual dysfunction)
- ✓ Short LOS (1-3 days), no need for ICU
- Simple and Speedy recovery
- \checkmark Rx for surgical high-risk patients.





Annual Proportion of EVAR and Open Repairs in US



N Engl J Med 2014;371:2101-2108



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Proportion of EVAR

Intact AAA

Country	N patients	%EVAR (95% CI)
Hungary	849	27.8% (24.8%-30.8%)
Norway	2095	32.0% (30.0%-34.0%)
Denmark	2239	33.9% (31.9%-35.9%)
Finland	461	46.2% (41.7%-50.8%)
Switzerland	2174	50.3% (48.2%-52.4%)
New Zealand	1214	51.7% (48.9%-54.5%)
Iceland	76	53.9% (42.7%-65.2%)
Sweden	3893	56.8% (55.3%-58.4%)
Germany	12572	68.2% (67.4%-69.0%)
Australia	6306	73.7% (72.6%-74.8%)
United States	11819	79.4% (78.7%-80.2%)



Proportion of EVAR

Ruptured AAA

Country	N patients	%EVAR (95% CI)		
Denmark	748	5.1% (3.5%- 6.7%)		
Hungary	187	7.5%(3.7%-11.3%)		
Finland	192	9.9%(5.7%-14.1%)		
New Zealand	220	10.9%(6.8%-15.0%)		
Norway	334	11.7%(8.2%-15.1%)		
Iceland	21	19.0%(2.3%-35.8%)		
Switzerland	342	24.9% (20.3%-29.4%)		
Sweden	1038	29.3% (26.5%-32.1%)		
Germany	1444	31.2% (28.8%-33.6%)		
Australia	1444	39.8% (37.2%-42.3%)		
United States	1075	51.8% (48.8%-54.8%)		

Circulation 2016;134:1948-1958



Anatomic exclusion of EVAR

- Inadequate proximal landing zone too short, too wide, or too narrow neck severe angulation
- Inadequate distal landing zone
- Irregular calcification, plaque or thrombus

- Non-aneurysmal iliac length < 10mm
- Excessive tortuosity of vessel
- Too small, tortuous iliofemoral vessels.





Complications of EVAR

Early complication

- Graft thrombosis
- Acute limb ischemia
- Bowel ischemia
- Embolization of renal and mesenteric vessel
- Paraplegia

Late complication

- Late graft thrombosis
- Aneurysm
- Endograft wear
- Infection
- Distal migration





Pre-Stent Graft Measurement Guidelines



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Technical Considerations





Device Description

Three Essential Components of endograft

1. Delivery system

Introducer sheath, Trocar, Deployment capsule and retractable cover

2. Attachment system

Stainless steel, Elgiloy, Tantalum or nitinol

3. The graft conduit

Polyester, PTFE (Polytetrafluoroethylene)





Company	Device	Body diameter	Outer diameter	Fixation location	Graft material	prox. bare- springs
Cook	Zenith	22-36	18F,20F, 22F	suprarenal	woven polyester	Yes
Vascutek Terumo	Anaconda	19.5-34	20F,23F	infrarenal	na	No
Endologix	Powerlink	25-28	21F	infrarenal	ePTFE	No
Medtronic	Endurant	23-36	18F,20F	suprarenal	woven polyester	Yes
Lombard Medical	Aorfix	24-31	22F	infrarenal	na	No
Gore	Excluder	23-31	20F,23F	infrarenal	ePTFE	No



FDA Approved EVAR Devices







All Current Generation EVAR Devices Can Be Used Via Percutaneous Approach!





Endurant II Stent Graft Indication

Iliac/femoral access

Aneurysm size



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Endurant II Stent Graft Indication

- Proximal neck length
 ≥10 mm with non significant calcification,
 and/or non-significant
 thrombus
- ≤ 60° infrarenal angulation
 ≤ 45° suprarenal angulation
- Vessel diameter approximately 10-20% smaller than Endurant Stent Graft diameter

- Proximal necks length ≥15 mm with nonsignificant calcification, and/or non-significant thrombus
- ≤75° infrarenal angulation
 ≤60° suprarenal angulation
- Vessel diameter approximately 10-20% smaller than Endurant Stent Graft diameter





Design Features









The M-shaped proximal stent designed to enhance wall apposition, minimize the risk of in-folding and provide a 5mm sealing zone. The suprarenal stent anchoring pins provide secure fixation. Limb stent and stent spacing designed to prevent kinking.



Design Features









The tip sleeve covers the suprarenal pins to allow for positioning adjustments before tip release

Rotation of the back-end wheel provides slow and controlled release of the suprarenal stent with anchoring pins You are in control at every step !



Complications of Endovascular Repair

- Arterial injury Iliac, Suprarenal
- Embolization Microembolization and renal failure
- Post Implant syndrome Back pain, fever without infection POD 0-7 Unknown etiology Incidence up to 50%
- Graft Limb Thrombosis
 Artery dissection
 Endograft kinking in Iliac A.
 Endograft kinking in Aneurysm Sac





Endoleaks

 Leak around proximal or distal attachment sites *Coined by White, et al, 1996* Persistent flow in aneurysm sac Incomplete exclusion

Rates
 0 to 44%

Risks
 Expansion
 Rupture







• Type I: Leak at graft attachment site

la: proximal attachment site lb: distal attachment site

- Treatment failures
- Treatment to prevent the risk of rupture



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• Type II: Retrograde sac filling

IIa: single branch vessel IIb: multiple branch vessel

- Spontaneous seal in about 50% of cases
- Conservative management 'wait-and-watch'



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 Type III: Mechanical defect of stent

IIIa: separation of the modular componentsIIIb: fractures or holes in the endograft

- Regarded as treatment failures
- Treatment to prevent the risk of rupture







- Type IV: Leak through graft fabric
- Indirect and benign course
- Treatment required in cases of aneurysmal expansion



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- Type V: Continued expansion without demonstrable leak
- Indirect and benign course
- Treatment required in cases of aneurysmal expansion



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Independent Predictors of AAA Sac Enlargement After Repair

	HR	95% CI	<i>p</i> value
Endoleak	2.7	2.4-3.04	< 0.0001
Patient age ≥ 80	1.32	1.03-1.75	0.05
Aortic Neck Diameter > 32 mm	2.07	1.46-2.92	< 0.0001
Aortic neck angle > 60°	1.97	1.63-2.37	< 0.0001
Common iliac a diameter > 20 mm	1.46	1.21-1.76	< 0.0001

Circulation. 2011;123:2848



EVAR-1 Trial: Outcome

	EVAR	OPEN
30 Day Mortality	1.7 %	4.7 %
Secondary Interventions	9.8 %	5.8 %





EVAR 1 Trial: Mortality Results



* Mortality 4-year point estimates.



Long-term Outcomes of EVAR 1

Complication

Reintervention





Long-term Outcomes of EVAR 1

Survivals



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Long-term Outcomes of EVAR 1

Complication or Reintervention

	EVAR (n=626)	Open (n=626)	P value
Any death			
all patients	12.6(282)	2.5(78)	<0.001
Time since random 0-6 mo > 6 mo – 4yr > 4yr	48.7(132) 9.0(114) 5.1(36)	15.6(45) 1.1(18) 1.4(15)	<0.001 <0.001 <0.001
Aneurysm related death			
all patients	5.1(145)	1.7(55)	<0.001
Time since random 0-6 mo > 6 mo – 4yr > 4yr	22.9(66) 3.4(55) 2.4(24)	13.8(40) 0.3(6) 0.8(9)	0.007 <0.001 0.003





15 years follow-up of EVAR 1



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DREAM Trial

	EVAR	OPEN
30 Day Mortality	1.2 %	4.6 %
Combined Op Mortality & Complications	4.7 %	9.8 %

N Engl J Med 2004;351:1607





DREAM Trial: Mortality Results



N Engl J Med 2005;352:2398



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EVAR 2 Trial: Survival Curve



* Mortality 4-year point estimates.

Lancet 2005;365:2187



EVAR 2 Trial Complications and Reinterventions



* 4-year point estimates for patients with complications or reinterventions.





Small vs Large AAA

Clinical Outcomes following EVAR

	Small < 5.5 cm	Large > 5.5 cm
Type 1 Endoleak	1.4 %	6.4 %
Migration	4.4 %	13 %
Conversion	1.4 %	8.2 %
Aneurysm Related Death	1.5 %	6.1 %
Survival (24 months)	86 %	71 %

J Vasc Surg 2003;37:1206





Conclusions Regarding EVAR for Small vs Large AAA

- Outcomes of EVAR influenced by AAA size
- Differences important in choosing observation or repair
- It is important to balance risk for rupture with size dependent outcome: results of trials pending





Outcomes of OVER Trial

	EVAR (n=444)	Open Repair (n=437)	P value
All cause mortality	31(7.0)	43(9.8)	0.13
Before AAA repair Within 30d after repair Within 30d after repair or during hospitalization	2(0.5) 1(0.2) 2(0.5)	1(0.2) 10(2.3) 13(3.0)	>0.99 0.006 0.004
 AAA diameter < 5.5cm AAA diameter >5.5cm After 30d or hospitalization 	1(0.5) 1(0.4) 27(6.1)	5(2.6) <mark>8(3.2)</mark> 29(6.6)	0.10 <mark>0.02</mark> 0.74

JAMA. 2009;302(14):1535



Outcomes of OVER Trial

All-cause mortality at 2 years



hazard ratio,0.7;95% confidence interval, 0.4-1.1; log-rank P=0.13

JAMA. 2009;302(14):1535



Long-term Comparison of Endovascular and Open Repair of Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (OVER trial)

Mortality: Endovascular vs. Open Repair	HR	95% CI	<i>P</i> Value
At 2 Years	0.63	0.40-0.98	0.04
At 3 Years	0.72	0.51-1.00	0.05
At 8 Years ^a	0.97	0.77-1.22	0.81

^a Kaplan-Meier estimate.

EVAR, Lower mortality through 3 years, Long-term survival is similar

N Engl J Med. 2012;367:1988



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N Engl J Med. 2012;367:1988





Open vs. Endovascular Stent Graft Repair of AAA: A Meta-analysis of Randomized Trials

Pooled data from 6 trials including 2,899 AAA patients treated either with EVAR (n = 1,470) or open surgery (n = 1,429)

At 30 days, all-cause mortality Lower with EVAR (RR 0.35; 95% CI 0.19-0.64)

No difference at long-term follow-up (RR 0.99; 95% CI 0.85-1.15)

EVAR survival advantage, Early and Intermediate follow-up Similar mortality in the long term

JACC Intv. 2012;5:1071





A Randomized Controlled Trial of EVAR vs. Open Surgery for AAA in Low- to Moderate-Risk Patients

299 patients in the ACE trial

(Anévrysme de l'aorte abdominale: Chirurgie versus Endoprothèse) trial.

Median 3-Year Follow-up	Open Repair (n = 149)	EVAR (n = 150)	<i>p</i> Value
Death	8%	11.3%	NS
Major Adverse Events	4%	6.7%	NS
Reintervention	2.7%	16%	< 0.0001

Similar long-term mortality and complications. Higher reintervention with EVAR

J Vasc Surg 2011;53:1167.





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J Vasc Surg 2011;53:1167



Long-Term Outcomes of Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm in the Medicare Population



Similar long-term mortality rate, but higher risk of re-intervention or hospitalization for complication with **EVAR** NEJM 2015;373:328



Long-Term Outcomes of Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm in the Medicare Population



The outcomes of EVAR have been improving over time



NEJM 2015;373:328



Population based 10 year survival in Finland



Higher 10-year mortality in EVAR, BUT may have been exaggerated by patient selection *Circulation 2017;136:1726-1734*



Outcome for sex in EVAR

A	Repair date	30-day mortality (n/N)	Estimate (95% CI)	% weigł	ht
Women					
Lowry et al (2016) ³²	2006-15	57/2304	2.47 (1.91	-3·19) <u>33</u> ·8	89
Nevidomskyte et al (2016) ²⁵	2010-13	5/160	3.13 (1.31	7.29) 2.9	95
Chung et al (2015) ³¹	2003-12	2/121	• 1·65 (0·41	-6.37) 1.2	20
Lo et al (2013) ²⁷	2003-11	5/408	1.23 (0.51	-2.91) 3.0	01
Mani et al (2013) ²⁸	2006-10	10/329	3.04 (1.64	-5·56) 5·9	91
Mehta et al (2012) ²⁹	2002-09	11/344	→ 3·20 (1·78	-5.68) 6.4	49
Powell et al (2017) ⁵	2000-09	1/77	► 1·30 (0·18	-8·64) 0·6	60
Schermerhorn et al (2012) ³⁰	2008	77/3657	2.11 (1.69	-2.62) 45.9	95
Overall women (I ² =0.00%)			2.31 (1.99	-2.68) 100.0	00
Men					
Lowry et al (2016) ³²	2006-15	283/18215	· ◆ 1·55 (1·38	-1.74) 22.8	81
Nevidomskyte et al (2016) ²⁵	2010-13	4/696		-1·52) 3·6	67
Chung et al (2015) ³¹	2003-12	11/617	1.78 (0.99	-3.19) 7.9	95
Lo et al (2013) ²⁷	2003-11	15/1660	• 0·90 (0·55	-1·49) 9·7	75
Mani et al (2013) ²⁸	2006-10	39/1669	2·34 (1·71-	3.18) 15.4	45
Mehta et al (2012) ²⁹	2002-09	12/1248 —	• 0.96 (0.55	-1.69) 8.4	47
Powell et al (2017) ⁵	2000-09	15/1312 -		-1·89) 9·7	74
Schermerhorn et al (2012) ³⁰	2008	203/15590		-1·49) 22·1	16
Overall men (I²=69·59%)			1.37 (1.12	-1.68) 100.0	00
		0	2 4 6 8 30-day mortality (%)		

Higher 30-day mortality in women









Aortic Endografts Current Limitations



- Proximal neck diameters 18-32 mm
- Proximal neck lengths (supra and infra renal attachment)
 5-15 mm
- Iliac artery size for delivery 6-9 mm
- Iliac artery attachment site diameter 8-20 mm
- Angle of neck to aneurysm <60°





Limitations of Current EVAR Devices

Access vessel morphology remain a limiting factor for EVAR application despite device improvements



Current delivery system profiles (O. D.)

ENDURANT EXCLUDER® TALENT AAA ZENITH® 20Fr 20.4Fr 22Fr 24Fr

 \approx 7mm access vessel required

6-19% of EVAR candidates are excluded due to small, tortuous and/or calcified access vessels

Eur J Vascular Endovascular Surgery 1999; 17:507 J Vascular Surgery, 2001; 34:1050 J Endovascular Therapy, 2004; 11:33





Limitations of Current EVAR Devices





Deployment accuracy remains a problem despite major advancements in imaging techniques:

• Proximal placement accuracy indicators

Event	EUROSTAR	DREAM	EVAR1
Unintentional Renal Artery Coverage		1.8%	
Acute Proximal Extension Utilization Rate	3.9%		2.8%

• Distal placement accuracy indicators

Event	EUROSTAR	DREAM	EVAR1
Unintentional Internal Iliac Artery Coverage		5.7%	
Acute Distal Extension Utilization Rate	22.2%		16.6%

N Engl J Med, 2004; 351:1607 Lancet, 2005; 365:2179 J Vascular Surgery, 2007; 45:79



Long-term Survival After Open vs EVAR of Intact AAA Among Medicare Beneficiaries

Retrospective analysis of 703 patients who received EVAR vs 3,826 who received surgery between 2003 and 2007.

2.6-Year Mean Follow-up, Open Repair vs. EVAR	Adjusted HR (95% CI)	P Value
All-Cause Mortality	1.24 (1.05-1.47)	0.01
AAA-Specific Mortality	4.37 (2.51-7.66)	< 0.001

Early survival advantage for EVAR persisted

JAMA. 2012;307:1621





Results of EVAR with General, Regional and Local/Monitored Anesthesia Care

Analysis of 6,009 procedures from the National Surgical Quality Improvement Program database.

General anesthesia Increased pulmonary morbidity Increases in length of stay of 10% and 20% Does not increase 30-day mortality

Less-invasive anesthetic techniques may limit postoperative complications decrease the overall costs of EVAR

J Vasc Surg. 2011 Nov;54(5):1273



Ruptured AAA

✓ With a RAAA of which 116 could be randomized.

 Primary endpoint Death and severe complications at 30 days.
 EVAR 42% vs OR 47% (ARR = 5.4%; 95% CI : -13% to +23%)

 The 30-day mortality EVAR 21% vs OR 25% (ARR = 4.4%; 95% CI:-11% to +20%)

Ann Surg 2013;258: 248





Ruptured AAA



Ann Surg 2013;258: 248





IMPROVE randomized trial

- ✓ Now ongoing
- ✓ Suspected ruptured AAA
- ✓ EVAR versus OR
- 613 eligible patients with clinical diagnosis of ruptured aneurysm
- 316 patients were randomized to EVAR (275 confirmed, 174 anatomically suitable)
- 297 patients were randomized to Open Repair (261 confirmed)

BMJ 2014;348:f7661





30 day mortality and subgroup analysis



BMJ 2014;348:f7661





EVAR for Mycotic AAA



	3-months	1-year	5-years	10-years
OR	72.8(65.9-80.5)	72.1(65.1-79.8)	63.4(55.5-72.5)	38.4(26.7-55.1)
EVAR	96.9(93.7-99.9)	85.8(79.4-92.6)	58.8(49.4-70.0)	42.7(31.8-57.2)
P-value	<0.001	0.110	0.687	0.782

EVAR, Lower mortality for 3-months, Long-term survival is similar

Circulation 2016;134:1822-1832





Procedure of EVAR





Match the proximal edge






Match the proximal edge



4 proximal radiopaque markers



Proximal edge of stent graft 1mm above proximal markers





Match the proximal edge







Deploy the stent









Deploy the ipsilateral limb stent



1 cm Flush space during recapturing





Release the suprarenal stent













Recapturing the spindle









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Recapturing the spindle







Deploy the ipsilateral limb stent









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Flower Divider Marker Contralateral gate marker

Overlap marker















Ballooning the stent







Updated Guidline EVAR

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Importance of AAA: Risk of Rupture



Aneurysm Size	1-yr Incidence of Rupture
	%
<5.5 cm	≤1.0
5.5–5.9 cm	9.4
6.0–6.9 cm	10.2
≥7.0 cm	32.5

* Data are from Powell et al.,³³ Lederle et al.,³⁴ and Lederle et al.³⁵ The overwhelming majority of study participants were men.



JAMA. RESCAN trial 2013;309(8):806 NEJM. 2014; 371:2101-8.



National screening policy

- England, Sweden: one-time screening of all men 65 years of age or older
- U.S Preventive Services Task Force:
 ①흡연경험이 있는 65~75세 남성에는 초음파 복부대동맥류 검사를 1회 받도 록 권고한다.

②흡연경험이 없는 65~75세 남성에는 전체가 아닌 임상의사가 선별한 남성에게만 복부대동맥류 검사를 실시한다. 검사 대상의 선택 기준은 득실을 따져서 평가하고, 환자 기왕력과 가족력, 다른 위험인자도 고려한다
③흡연경험이 있는 65~75세 여성에는 복부대동맥류 검사의 득실을 평가해야 할 근가 현재로서는 부족하다.

④흡연경험이 없는 여성에게는 정기 검사가 불필요하다.



Size to treat? Small Aneurysm RCTs

UKSAT (4 – 5.5cm) (USG surveillance)

- 1090 randomized (17% female)
- Operative mortality of 5.8% in immediate repair group

ADAM VA study (4 – 5.5cm) (CT scans)

- 1136 randomized (mean f/u 4.9 yrs)
- Operative mortality of 2.7% in immediate repair group

Treatment size should be **5.5cm for males** (<1% per year annual rupture rate for AAA <5.5cm in males) **Women rupture rate higher (4X) at same size**; perhaps treat at 5 or even 4.5cm diameter





NEJM 2002, 9;346 (19), B J Surg 2007, 94(6)

Surveillance

Class I

2. Patients with infrarenal or juxtarenal AAAs measuring 4.0 to 5.4 cm in diameter should be monitored by ultrasound or CT scans every 6 to 12 months to detect expansion. (Level of Evidence: A)

Class Ila

3. In patients with AAAs smaller than 4.0 cm in diameter, monitoring by ultrasound examination every 2 to 3 years is reasonable. *(Level of Evidence: B)*

Recommendations	Class ^a	Level ^b	Ref. ^c
In patients with abdominal aortic diameter of 25–29 mm, new ultrasound imaging should be considered 4 years later.	Ila	в	367
In patients with small (30–55 mm) AAAs, the following time interval for imaging should be considered: ^d every 3 years for AAA of 30–39 mm diameter. every 2 years for AAA of 40–44 mm diameter. every year for AAA >45 mm^e diameter. 	lla	в	365





Indications for Aneurysm Repair

Recommendations	Class ^a Level	Ref. ^c	2014 ESC guideline	
In patients with suspected rupture				
of AAA, immediate abdominal				
In case of rupture 46 ((경피적 혈관	관내 스텐트 -0	이식 설치술)의	시세부인정기준)	
	스텐트-이식 설	치술)의 세부 (인정기준은 다음과 같이함.	
In case of sympto - 다 음 -				
ruptured AAA, u indicated. 1. 적용증				
In case of sympto 가. 대동맥				
anatomically suita (1) 대동막	녂류			
either open or er ① 흉부대동맥류	루 직경 5.5~6.0d	:m, 복부대동맥	류 직경 5.0cm이상	
repair is recomm	1			
(2) 가성 등	동맥류 혹은 대동	등맥 파열		
AAA repair is india AAA dian (3) 대동만	! 박리증			
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If a large aneurysm unsuitable for EVAR, open aortic			الاستهاري والإرتبار المساق التسب	
repair is recommended. In patients with asymptomatic				
AAA who are unfit for open				
repair, EVAR, along with best	IIb B	388,399		
medical treatment, may be				
considered. ^g				



Repair; Open or EVAR?

2005 Recommendations	2011 Focused Update Recommendations	Comments
Class I		
Open repair of infrarenal AAA and/or common iliac aneurysms is indicated in patients who are good or average surgical candidates. (Level of Evidence: B)	 Open or endovascular repair of infrarenal AAAs and/or common iliac aneurysms is indicated in patients who are good surgical candidates (56,57). (Level of Evidence: A) 	Modified recommendation (endovascula repair incorporated from 2005 Class Ill recommendation [see below*]; level of evidence changed from B to A).
Periodic long-term surveillance imaging should be performed to monitor for an endoleak, to document shrinkage or stability of the excluded aneurysm sac, and to determine the need for further intervention in patients who have undergone endovascular repair of infrarenal aortic and/or iliac aneurysms. <i>(Level of Evidence: B)</i>	 Periodic long-term surveillance imaging should be performed to monitor for endoleak, confirm graft position, document shrinkage or stability of the excluded aneurysm sac, and determine the need for further intervention in patients who have undergone endovascular repair of infrarenal aortic and/or iliac aneurysms (56,58). (Level of Evidence: A) 	Modified recommendation (level of evidence changed from B to A).
Class IIa		
Endovascular repair of infrarenal aortic and/or common iliac aneurysms is reasonable in patients at high risk of complications from open operations because of cardiopulmonary or other associated diseases. (Level of Evidence: B)		Deleted recommendation (no longer current).
	 Open aneurysm repair is reasonable to perform in patients who are good surgical candidates but who cannot comply with the periodic long-term surveillance required after endovascular repair. (Level of Evidence: C) 	New recommendation
Class IIb		
Endovascular repair of infrarenal aortic and/or common iliac aneurysms may be considered in patients at low or average surgical risk. (Level of Evidence: B)		Deleted recommendation (endovascular repair incorporated into 2011 Class I, #1 [see above*]).
	 Endovascular repair of infrarenal aortic aneurysms in patients who are at high surgical or anesthetic risk as determined by the presence of coexisting severe cardiac, pulmonary, and/or renal disease is of uncertain effectiveness (59). (Level of Evidence: B) 	New recommendation

AAA indicates abdominal aortic aneurysm.



Same goal, completely different strategy



Open repair since 1950s 30-d mortality 4-5% for 20yrs Hospital stay; 9 days Full recovery weeks to months

Endovascular repair since 1987

30-d mortality ~1% Hospital stay; 3 days Full recovery days to weeks



Annual Proportion of EVAR and Open Repairs in US



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N Engl J Med 2014;371:2101-2108



RCTs; Elective Open Repair vs. EVAR

Endovascular aneurysm repair versus open repair in patients with abdominal aortic aneurysm (EVAR trial 1): randomised controlled trial

EVAR trial participants*



- 1999-2004, 37 centers in UK
 1252 patients aged ≥60, AAA
 ≥5.5cm, fit for open of EVAR
- Median FU 6 yrs
- EVAR significantly decreased perioperative
- No differences in all-cause and AAA-related mortality

Lancet 2004;364:843-48 Lancet 2005;365:2179-86 N Engl J Med 2010;362:1863-71



RCTs; Elective Open Repair vs. EVAR

Endovascular versus Open Repair of Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm

The United Kingdom EVAR Trial Investigators*

Graft-related Complication

Re-intervention



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15 years follow-up of EVAR 1



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RCTs; Elective Open Repair vs. EVAR

Trial	Short-term Death	Long-term Death
EVAR1 trial		
EVAR (n=626)	1.8% at 30d	23.1% at 4y
Open AAA (n=626)	4.3% at 30d	22.3% at 4y
DREAM trial		
EVAR (n=173)	1.2% at 30d	31.1% at 6y
Open AAA (n=178)	4.6% at 30d	30.1% at 6y
OVER trial		
EVAR (n=444)	0.5% at 30d	32.9% at 8y
Open AAA (n=437)	3.0% at 30d	33.4% at 8y

- (1) Perioperative morbidity and mortality rates are significantly lower after EVAR
- (2) Short-term survival advantage of EVAR diminishes during long-term FU, the long-term survival rates of patients are similar in both groups.
- (3) Although the re-intervention rate after EVAR is higher than after open repair, most of these re-interventions are performed with catheter-based techniques, albeit at overall higher cost





Real World

39,966 matched cohorts of Medicare beneficiaries From 2001 through 2008



Table 3. Eight-Year Outcomes after Endovascular and Open Repair of Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm.

	Outcome	Endovascular Repair (N=39,966)	Open Repair (N = 39,966)	P Value
-		no. of patients	; (%)*	
	Death	14,548 (54.9)	14,681 (54.7)	0.76
	Rupture of aneurysm	962 (5.4)	353 (1.4)	<0.001
	Any aneurysm-related intervention	4,165 (18.8)	754 (3.7)	< 0.001
	Major reintervention	392 (2.3)	186 (0.8)	<0.001
	Minor reintervention	3,924 (17.5)	597 (3.1)	< 0.001
	Minor reintervention for embolization	1,857 (8.0)	161 (1.0)	< 0.001
	Hospitalization for abdominal aortic aneurysm without reintervention	233 (1.2)	55 (0.3)	<0.001
1	Reintervention for complications related to laparotomy	1,695 (8.2)	4,427 (17.7)	< 0.001
1	Repair of a hernia of the abdominal wall	610 (2.7)	3,070 (11.2)	< 0.001
	Lysis of adhesions without bowel resection	238 (1.4)	654 (3.1)	<0.001
	Bowel resection	1,035 (5.2)	1,199 (6.0)	0.008
	Admission for bowel obstruction without surgery	3,510 (17.3)	4,805 (22.2)	<0.001
	Aneurysm-related intervention or intervention for compli- cations related to laparotomy	5,614 (25.1)	5,034 (20.6)	< 0.001
	Hospitalization related to aneurysm or for complications related to laparotomy, without intervention	3,710 (17.9)	4,846 (22.0)	<0.001
	Reintervention or hospitalization without intervention for rupture, aneurysm, or complications related to laparotomy	6,279 (27.8)	5,355 (21.8)	<0.001

N Engl J Med 2015;373:328-38

Maturation of EVAR













Now, EVAR is an ambulatory procedure





FDA approved Current Generation EVAR Devices





Planning is KEY Comprehensive aortic assessment





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Aortic Endografts Current Limitations



- Proximal neck diameters 18-32 mm
- Proximal neck lengths (supra and infra renal attachment)
 5-15 mm
- Iliac artery size for delivery 6-9 mm
- Iliac artery attachment site diameter 8-20 mm
- Angle of neck to aneurysm <60°





US FDA Approval of the INCRAFT AAA Stent

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Product Name: INCRAFT® AAA Stent Graft System PMA Applicant: Cordis Corp. (A Cardinal Health Company) Address: 1820 McCarthy Bird, Mipitas, CA, USA 95035 Approval Date: November 27, 2018 Approval Letter: Approval Crder



Approval Date : November 27, 2018



A Targeting Nanotherapy for Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms



Cheng J et al. J Am Coll Cardiol. 2018 Nov 27;72(21):2591-2605





Decision Making and Treatment Selection for Complex AAA

- Short necks and short seal zone...not a good long term solution (no real data)
- Fenestrated grafts provide an excellent seal...reinterventions necessary
- Long term follow up is imperative
- Low / Moderate risk patients should be considered for open repair at high volume centers
- Especially true for young patients given long term ARM with EVAR



The role of noncovered stents for the treatment of malperfusion syndrome in type A and B aortic dissection

Aortic stents for AD. 1 year follow up:	
Clinical:	
Aorta related mortality	0%
Mortality 0% Late neurological complications	0%
Normal and normalized kidney function	38/38 (100%)
Device related outcomes:	
Device related failure	0%
Aortic stent thrombosis	0%
Side branch stent thrombosis	0%
Preserved covered side branches flow 98% 1. One renal artery arising from false lumen thrombosed	
Additional late procedures (more than 3 months after)	4/38

Zoran Stankov, MD, TCT 2018



First-in-man experience with endovascular tre atment of type B aortic dissection in children





Ivo Petrov, MD, PhD, FESC, FACC, TCT 2018





Changing Paradigms in Aortic Dissection

- Paradigm shift in therapy for TBAD
- All CTBAD should undergo TEVAR as first line therapy
- UTBAD patients with high risk criteria (2/3 of the cohort): TAD >44, FLD>22, Age >60 are candidates for OMT+TEVAR
- UTBAD patients with no high risk criteria (1/3 of the cohort): should be counseled about the risk/benefits of OMT vs. OMT+TEVAR

Ali Azizzadeh, Presenation at Controversies and Advances 2018





TEAVR vs OSR Reintervention & Mortality



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Chiu, P. et al. J Am Coll Cardiol. 2019;73(6):643-51.



Meta-analysis of long-term survival (3 years)

Reference	Hazard ratio	Hazard ratio	Weight (%)
RCTs			
EVAR ³	- • -	1-00 (0-88, 1-13)	6-89
DREAM ¹⁷		0.96 (0.77, 1.21)	4.34
ACE ¹⁸		0.93 (0.67, 1.30)	2.76
OVER ¹⁹		1-06 (0-92, 1-23)	6.32
Subtotal (I ² =0%, P=0.835)	+	1.01 (0.93, 1.10)	20.32
Administrative registry studies			
Behrendt et al.4	•	1-17 (1-07, 1-28)	7.79
Schermerhorn et al.20	Li hara	1-20 (1-18, 1-22)	8-99
Wahlgren et al.21		1-08 (0.98, 1-19)	7-51
Siracuse et al.26		0.99 (0.99, 1.15)	8-11
Chang et al.32	•	1.00 (0.96, 1.04)	8-82
Subtotal (P=95.9%, P<0.001)	-	1-08 (0.98, 1.20)	41.23
Cohort studies			
García-Madrid et al.37		→ 1.22 (0.50, 2.98)	0.51
Diehm et al.38		1.00 (0.57, 1.76)	1-19
Lee et al.46	•	0.94 (0.64, 1.37)	2.27
Chahwan et al.48		0.88 (0.75, 1.03)	5.96
Sugimoto et al.50		0.99 (0.74, 1.33)	3.23
Mazzaccaro et al.53	- • -	0.99 (0.86, 1.14)	6.34
Huang et al.54	- • F	0.94 (0.82, 1.08)	6-56
Lee et al.55	- • -	0.90 (0.77, 1.05)	5-95
Majd et al.56		0.99 (0.74, 1.32)	3-33
Arko et al.57		1.05 (0.54, 2.06)	0-88
Majd et al. ⁶⁶		0.91 (0.62, 1.34)	2.23
Subtotal (I ² =0%, P=0.995)	•	0.94 (0.88, 1.00)	38-45
Overall (I ² =86.5%, P<0.001)	+	1.01 (0.95, 1.08)	100-00
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Bulder RMA et al. Br J Surg. 2019 Apr;106(5):523-533



Meta-analysis of long-term survival (5 years)

Reference	Hazard ratio	Hazard ratio	Weight (%
RCTs			
EVAR ³		1.00 (0.88, 1.14)	2.03
DREAM ¹⁷		0.94 (0.74, 1.19)	0.61
OVER ¹⁹		1.03 (0.87, 1.22)	1.23
Subtotal (l ² =0%, P=0.830)	+	1.00 (0.91, 1.10)	3.88
Administrative registry studies			
Behrendt et al.4		0.97 (0.83, 1.14)	1.41
Schermerhorn et al.20	•	1.00 (0.98, 1.02)	70.36
Wahlgren et al.21	• • • •	0.91 (0.79, 1.05)	1.81
Siracuse et al.26		1.01 (0.84, 1.22)	0.99
Chang et al.32	•	1.03 (0.98, 1.08)	15.77
Subtotal ($l^2 = 0\%$, $P = 0.507$)		1.00 (0.98, 1.02)	90-33
Cohort studies			
Diehm et al.38	· · · ·		0.08
Lee et al.46		0.98 (0.62, 1.55)	0.17
Chahwan et al.48		0.98 (0.80, 1.19)	0.93
Sugimoto et al.50	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	0.93 (0.61, 1.42)	0.20
Mazzaccaro et al.53		1.05 (0.89, 1.24)	1.30
Huang et al.54		0.95 (0.81, 1.12)	1.40
Lee et al.55		0.88 (0.74, 1.05)	1.18
Majd et al. ⁵⁶	•	1.05 (0.77, 1.44)	0.37
Majd et al.66		0.76 (0.46, 1.25)	0.15
Subtotal (I ² =0%, P=0.894)	•	0.96 (0.89, 1.04)	5.78
Overall (/2=0%, P=0.947)	•	1.00 (0.98, 1.02)	100-00
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Meta-analysis of long-term survival (10 years)

Hazard ratio	Hazard ratio	Weight (%
	1.05 (0.88, 1.25)	33.33
	1.02 (0.75, 1.38)	15.01
-	1.04 (0.90, 1.21)	48.34
	1.08 (0.57, 2.06)	3.93
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		1.75
	0.72 (0.30, 1.73)	2.21
	1.18 (0.89, 1.57)	16.89
	0.67 (0.48, 0.94)	12.91
	0.80 (0.54, 1.19)	9.71
	- 1.23 (0.73, 2.52)	4.26
-	0.91 (0.71, 1.17)	47.72
+	0.98 (0.86, 1.12)	100.00
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Meta-analysis of long-term survival after EVAR or OSR

	F	Relative survival ratio	
	3 years	5 years	10 years
EVAR	0.94 (0.92, 0.96)	0.91 (0.87, 0.94)	0.76 (0.67, 0.86)
OSR	0.96 (0.95, 0.98)	0-91 (0-88, 0-94)	0.76 (0.69, 0.85)

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