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Type 2 Endoleak:
Is it really a problem?
Is there a solution?

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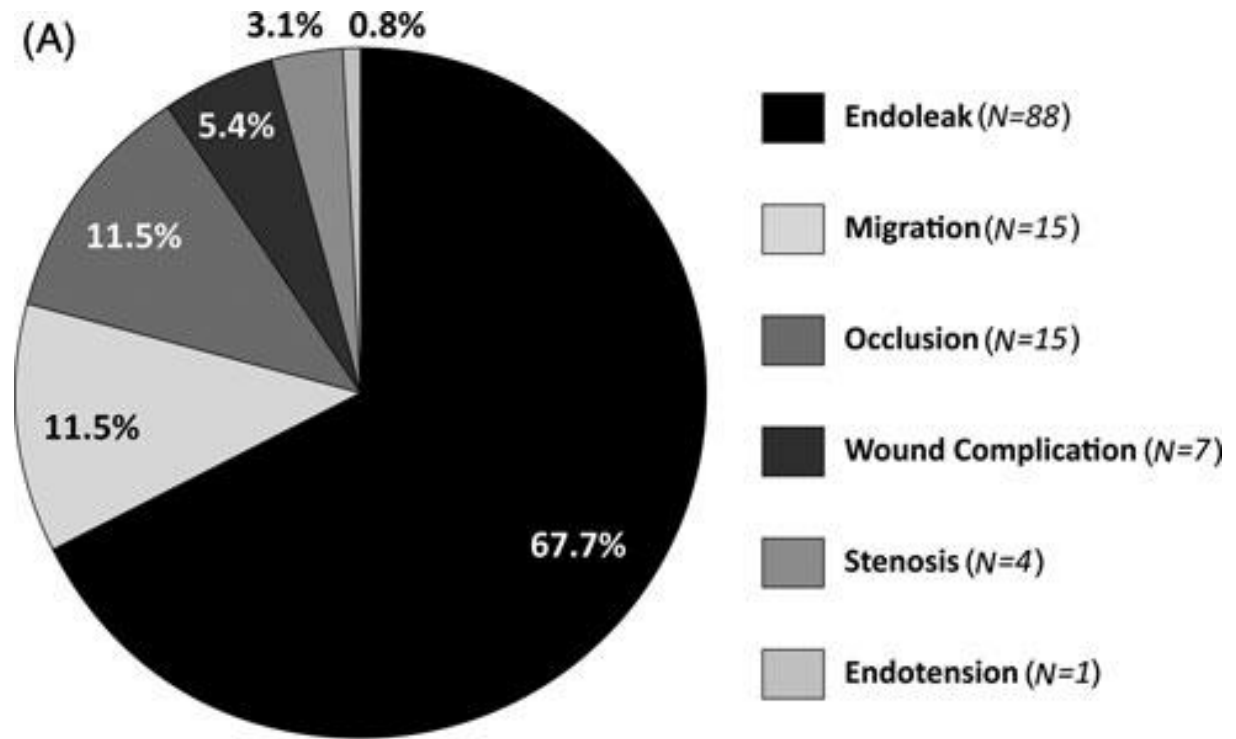
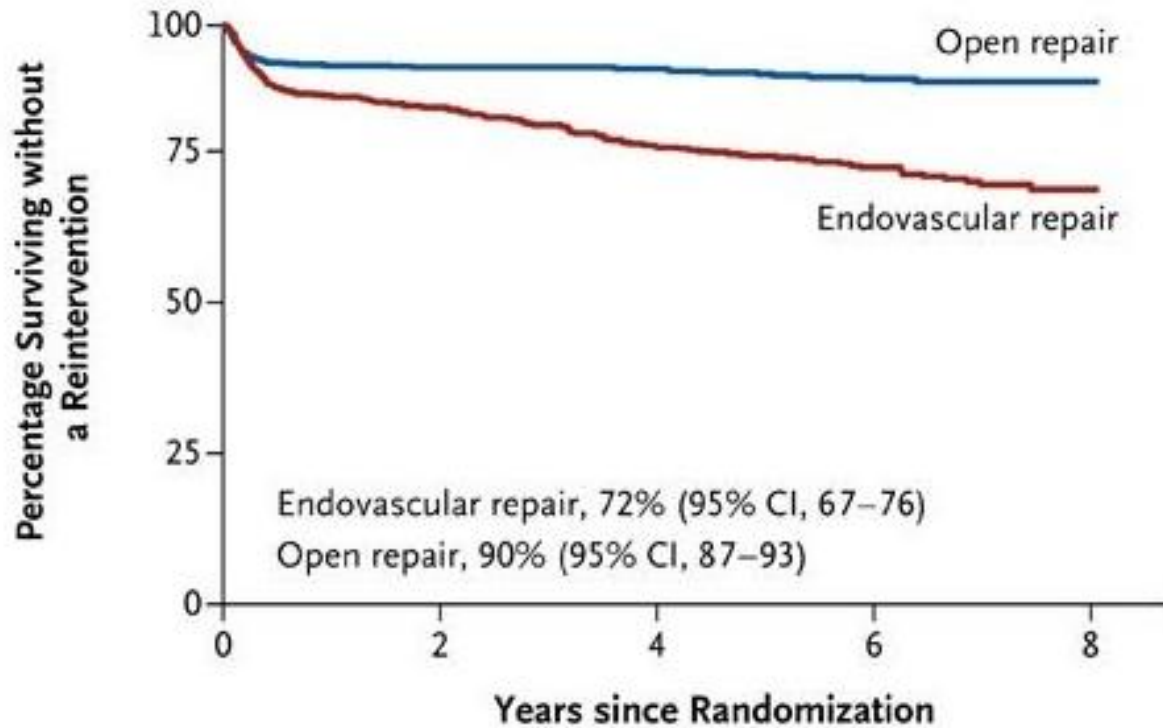
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EVAR has significant re-intervention rate

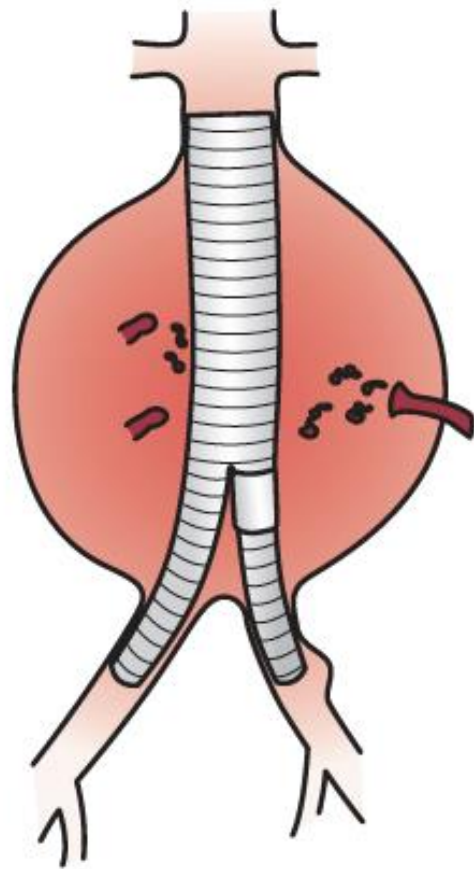
EVAR 1 midterm analysis, NEJM 2010



Causes of re-intervention after EVAR in a cohort of 558 patients



Type I



Type II



Type III

Type IV

Critical Issues around Type II Endoleaks

How common are they now?

Are they really a problem?

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Incidence of type II Endoleaks

*UK EVAR randomised controlled trials: long-term follow-up and cost-effectiveness analysis
Patel et al, HTA Assessment Jan 2018; Vol.22;No.5*

	No. of Type II Endoleaks (no of patients followed up)	%
EVAR - 1	146 (1252)	11.7
OVER	139 (881)	15.8
DREAM	73 (351)	20.8
ACE	77 (299)	25.8

Type II endoleak after endovascular aneurysm repair

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32 studies published between 1994 and 2012

1515 T2ELs in 14,794 patients = **10.2%**

35% resolve spontaneously

Editor's Choice — Type II Endoleak: Conservative Management Is a Safe Strategy **CME**

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Local series of consecutive EVARs

n = 904

1995 - 2013

Median follow-up 3.6 years (1.5-5.9)

Number of T2ELs = 175 (19%)

54% self-resolved within 6 months

Table 3. Type II endoleak distribution by device models.

Device	Type II endoleak (n = 175)	No type II endoleak (n = 598)	p
	No. (%)	No. (%)	
Cook Zenith	91 (52)	304 (51)	0.8
Cook Trifab	15 (8.6)	52 (8.7)	1.0
Medtronic endurant	18 (10)	54 (9)	0.6
Talent	18 (10)	57 (9.5)	0.6
Anaconda	2 (1)	14 (2.3)	0.5
Gore excluder	24 (14)	79 (13.2)	0.9
Edwards lifepath	2 (1)	2 (0.3)	0.2
Cook uni iliac	—	9 (>1)	—
Local device	—	5 (>1)	—

Multivariate analysis – No independent RFs for T2ELs

**T2EL is NOT a graft-related problem,
it is an inherent failure of the EVAR concept**

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Rate and Predictability of Graft Rupture After Endovascular and Open Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Repair

Data From the EVAR Trials

Wyss et al, Annals of Surgery 2010, 252(5), 805-812

EVAR 1 and EVAR 2 cases combined

n=848

Mean f/u – 4.8yrs

27 ruptures after EVAR

“Previous complications” on CT increased the risk of rupture

adjusted HR 8.83 (95% CI 3.76-20.76) P<0.0001

“Previous complications” = Cluster of:

- Type 1 EL
- **Type 2 + aneurysm expansion (≥5mm)**
- Type 3 EL
- Migration
- Kinking

Is a Type II Endoleak after EVAR a Harbinger of Risk? Causes and Outcome of Open Conversion and Aneurysm Rupture during Follow-up

C. J. van Marrewijk, G. Fransen, R. J. F. Laheij, P. L. Harris,² J. Buth^{*1} and for the EUROSTAR Collaborators

EJVES 2004; 24,128-137

EUROSTAR registry

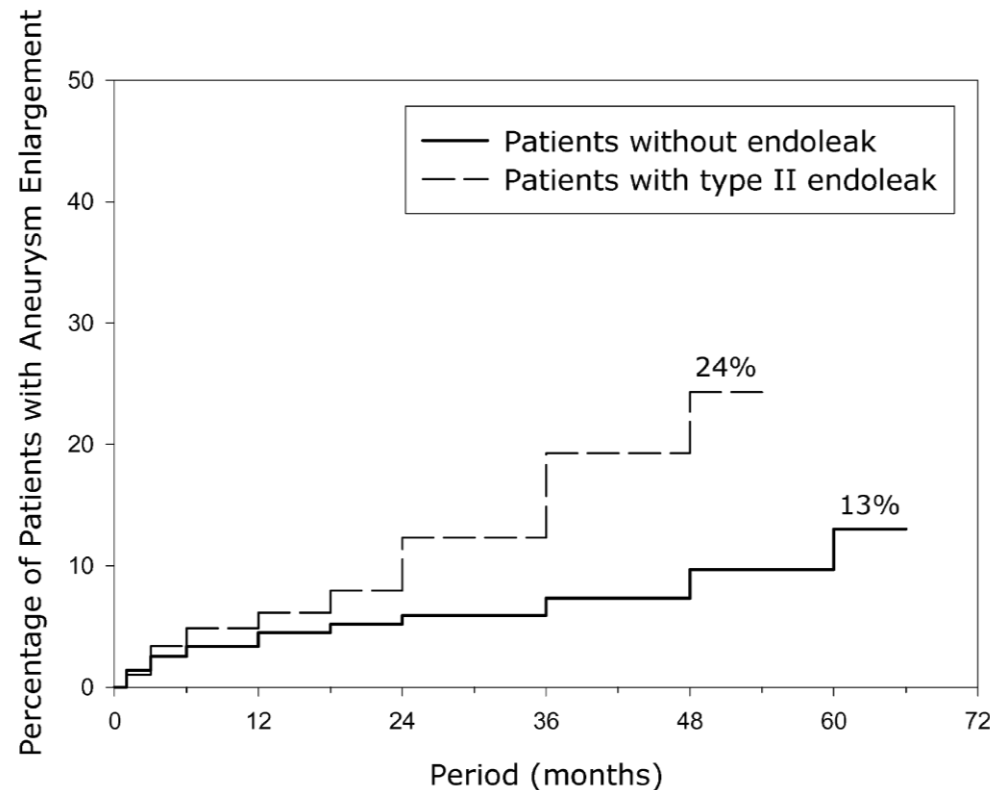
(114 European Institutions)

1996-2002

3595 EVARs

320 isolated T2EIs (9%)

1.2% rupture rate at 3 years



T2EIs associated with:
- Aneurysm expansion

T2ELs NOT associated with:
- Rupture
- Aneurysm-related mortality

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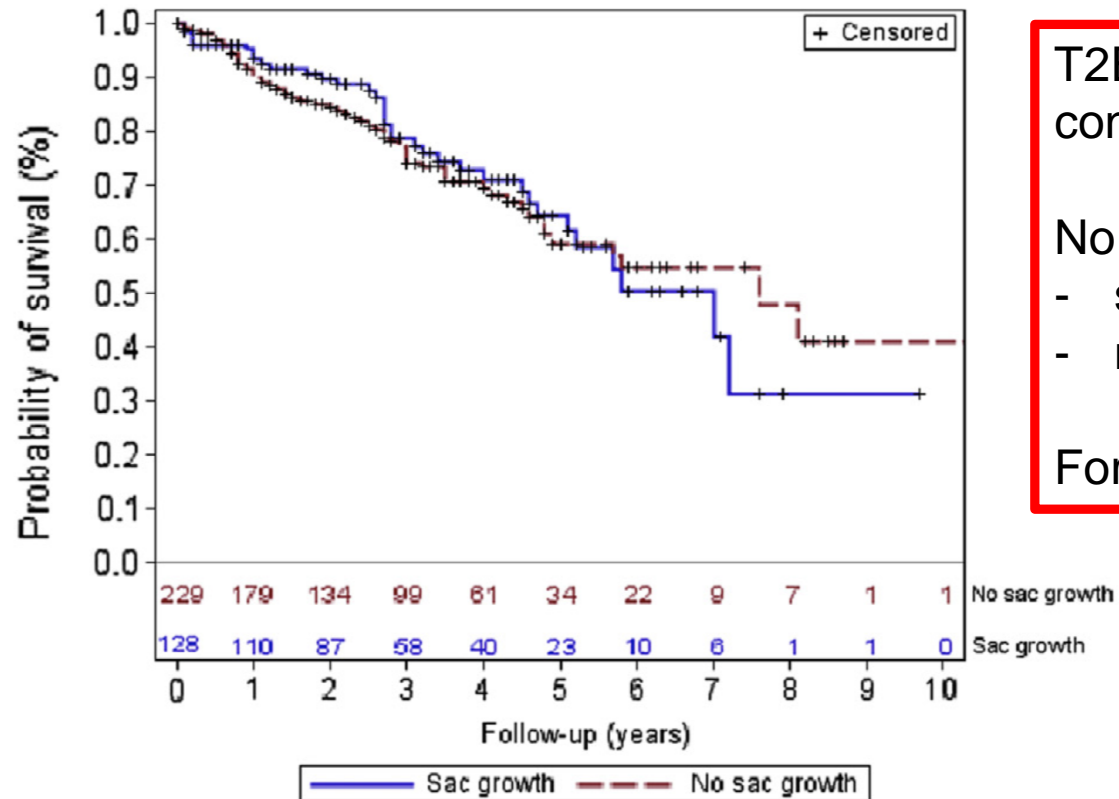
US Registry data

2000-2010

1736 patients, 3 yr f/u

474 T2ELs (27.3%)

0 ruptures with isolated T2EL



T2ELs treated conservatively:

No difference between:
- sac growth group
- no sac growth group

For overall survival

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1515 T2ELs in 14,794 patients = **10.2%**
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Rupture in cases of isolated type II EL
<1%
(57% of these T2EL cases were associated with aneurysm expansion)

Aneurysm expansion is a poor marker of risk with Type II EL

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Which interventions can we offer?

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embolization**

(coils/glue/thrombin)

Vessel ligation

Open or Lap

Open Conversion

Trans-Lumbar access (direct aneurysm puncture)

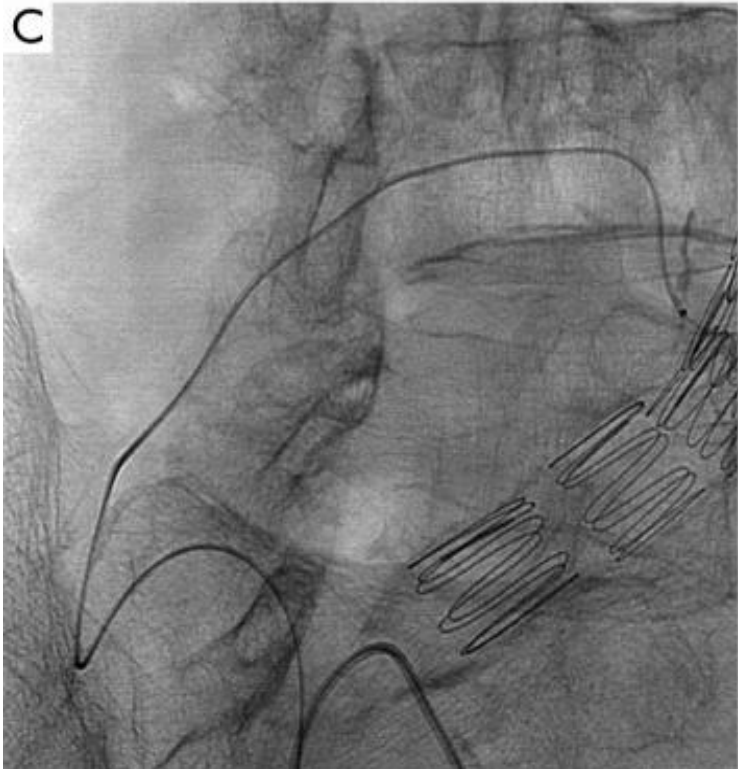


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Trans-arterial access (SMA/Internal Iliac)

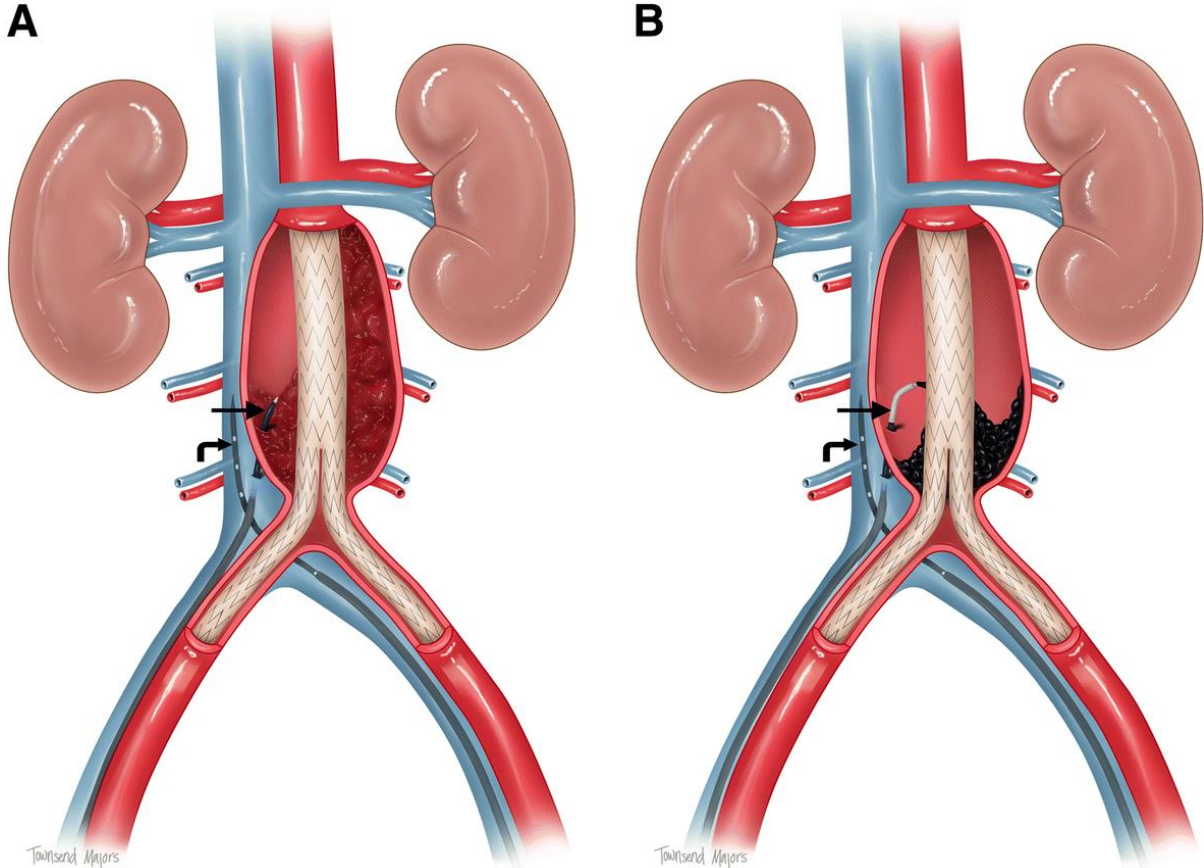


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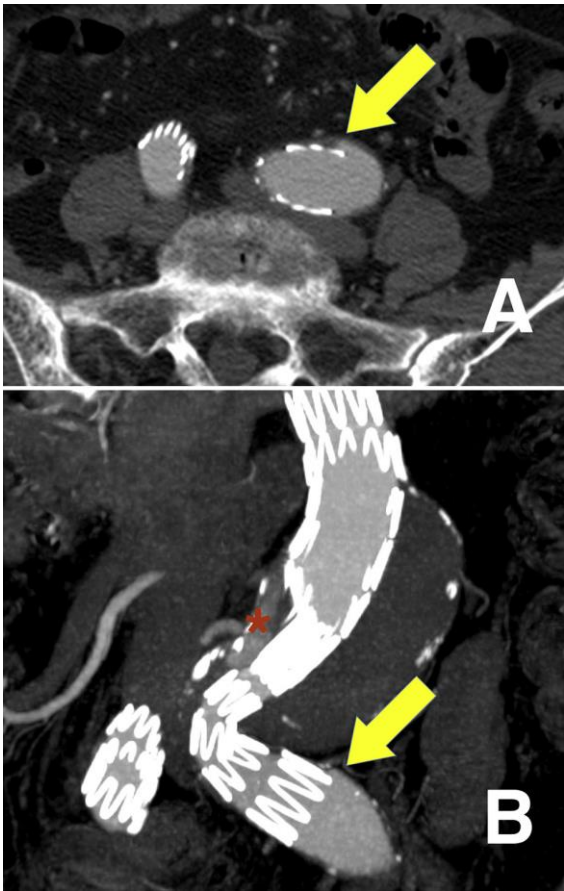
Trans-caval access



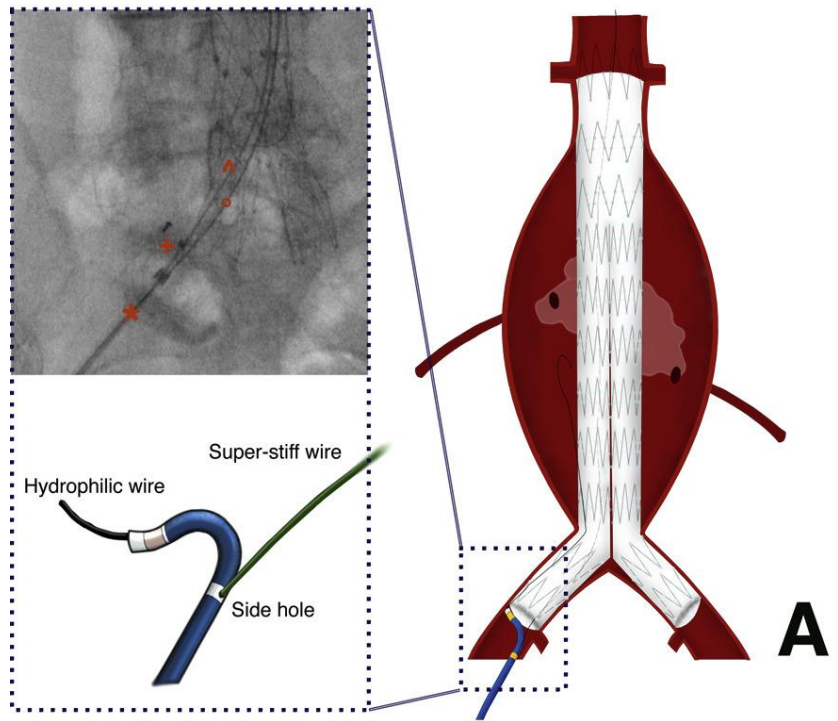
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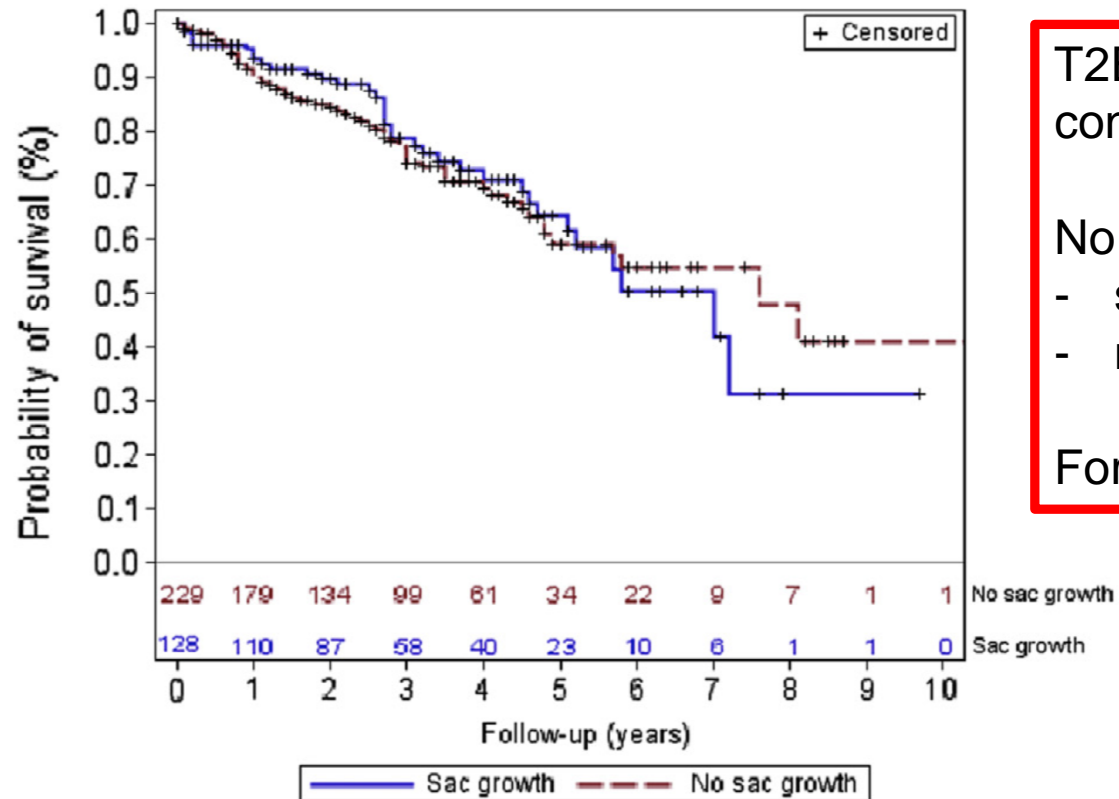
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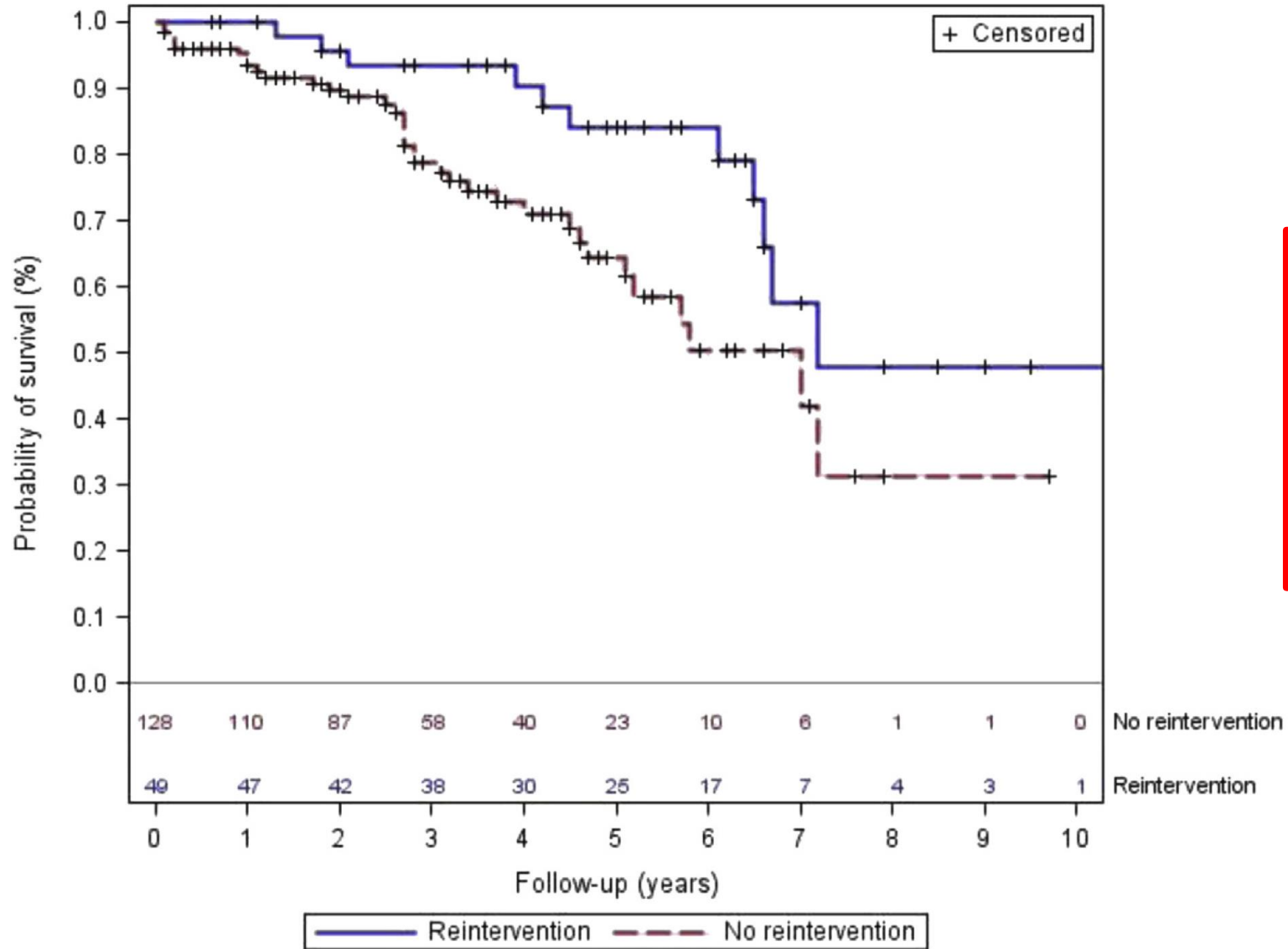
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In patients with isolated T2EL and aneurysm size increase:

Reintervention group versus No reintervention:

- Equivalent survival (p=0.57)

Current Evidence Is Insufficient to Define an Optimal Threshold for Intervention in Isolated Type II Endoleak After Endovascular Aneurysm Repair

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Meta analysis

10 studies and 231 isolated T2ELs

Grouped:

- 1) Conservative management, n=71
- 2) Selective treatment, n=104
(>5mm sac expansion, persistence beyond 6 months)
- 3) Aggressive n=56
(any T2EL)

No difference between groups for :

- Reducing sac expansion
- Increasing sac regression

Incidence of rupture 0%
(median f/u 30 months)

Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of the Outcome of Treatment for Type II Endoleak Following Endovascular Aneurysm Repair

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59 studies

1073 patients with persistent type II EL who underwent intervention

Majority (73.8%) of cases were for aneurysm expansion

Presented outcomes of different treatments individually

Intervention	Primary technical success (%)
Overall	87.9
Transarterial embolization	84.0
Translumbar embolization	98.7
Transcaval embolization	93.3
Ligation of vessels (Surgical)	98.1

Cases	Clinical success (%) – f/u range 6-46/12
Overall	68.4
As defined by decreasing/stable aneurysm size	78.4
As defined by no leak on scanning	67.5

Peri-procedural complication rate of 4%

AAA-related mortality after intervention for Type II Endoleak is 1.8%

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Not very well, although currently we're not using relevant measures of success and we don't have long-term data.

Editor's Choice — European Society for Vascular Surgery (ESVS) 2019 Clinical Practice Guidelines on the Management of Abdominal Aorto-iliac Artery Aneurysms

Wanhainen et al 2019 EJVES 57,8-93

Recommendation 88

Re-intervention for Type II endoleak after endovascular abdominal aortic aneurysm repair should be **considered** in the presence of significant aneurysm growth (see Recommendation 87), primarily by endovascular means

Class	Level	References
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THIS IS TOO AGGRESSIVE

Let's leave ALL isolated T2ELs with aneurysm expansion alone

(Closely monitor for Type I and III endoleaks)

Thank you