

VALUE OF MULTILAYER BARE STENTS (MLFM – ALLAY FROM INTRESSA) IN THE TREATMENT OF TBAD PATIENTS WITH OR AT HIGH RISK OF END ORGAN MALPERFUSION: LONG-TERM RESULTS

PREDICTORS OF POSITIVE REMODELING IN DISSECTION PATIENTS UNDERGOING ENDOVASCULAR TREATMENT WITH MULTILAYER STENTS

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BACKGROUND

TEVAR with stent-grafts for Type B Aortic Dissection (TBAD) generally leads to:

- Positive aortic remodeling in the aortic segment covered by the stent graft
- Continued aortic growth in the abdominal segment^{1,2}, even when treated with bare metal stents³

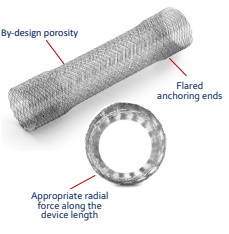
The continued aneurysmal degeneration of the dissection results in high re-intervention rates^{4,5}

1: Famularo, et al. 2017; 2: Li, et al., 2022; 3: Lombardi, et al. 2022; 4: Zhang, et al. 2016; 5: Kotsun et al. 2017

BACKGROUND

Due to their properties (radial force, 3D porosity), multilayer stents have been investigated as a possible treatment option for the extensive treatment of the dissected aorta in TBAD

Initial results indicate that multilayer stents may reduce such aortic growth and the need for reintervention^{6,7}



6: Sultan, et al. 2018; 7: Costache, et al. 2021


OBJECTIVE

Based on available data from both a prospective clinical study and retrospective real-world data collection in aortic dissection patients, identify predictors for positive aortic remodeling following multilayer stents implantation

METHODS - POPULATION

75 TBAD patients:

- treated with multilayer stents (MFM, Cardiatis, Belgium),
- either in the DRAGON prospective study (n=18) or in real-world off-label cases (n=57)
- followed-up for at least 30 days
- with CT-scans available pre- and post-procedure assessed by independent radiologists, and analyses performed by independent statisticians



METHODS - REGRESSION ANALYSES

Investigating the impact of relevant variables on the ENDPOINT:
CHANGE IN MAX TA DIAMETER

Demographic	Dissection	Treatment	Follow-up
Age (years)	Pre-op max TA diameter (mm)	True Lumen (TL) reopening (mm)	# of days since procedure
Gender (M/F)	Extension into iliac arteries (Y/N)	Extensive coverage (Y/N)	False Lumen status
Presence of graft or stent graft (Y/N)			# of abdominal vessels fed through FL

RESULTS - POPULATION

Demographic (N=75)	
Age (Years)	56.7 ± 12.0
Max TA diameter (mm)	52.7 ± 14.6
Gender (%)	
Male	78.7% (59/75)
Female	21.3% (16/75)
Previous aortic treatment	
None	52.0% (39/75)
Yes	48.0% (36/75)
Ascending aorta	34.7% (26/75)*
Stent graft	18.7% (14/75)*
Extension into iliac arteries	
No	37.3% (28/75)
Yes	61.3% (46/75)
Unknown	1.4% (1/75)

*: 4 patients with both a graft and a stent-graft

RESULTS - POPULATION

Treatment and follow-up (N=75)	
Follow-up duration (days)	835 ± 724 (31 – 2618)
True Lumen reopening at PMC (mm)	10.7 ± 6.4
Change in Max TA diameter (mm)	3.1 ± 11.7
Extensive treatment:	
Yes	84.0% (63/75)
No	14.7% (11/75)
Unknown	1.3% (1/75)
Number of abdominal branches covered:	
None	25.3% (19/75)
1	40.0% (30/75)
≥ 2	33.4% (25/75)
Unknown	1.3% (1/75)
False Lumen (FL) status:	
Patent	17.4% (13/75)
Partially thrombosed	80.0% (60/75)
Completely thrombosed	1.3% (1/75)
Unknown	1.3% (1/75)

RESULTS - REGRESSION ANALYSIS

In univariate analysis, new predictor of positive remodeling identified: extensive treatment coverage with multilayer stent

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p-values: p=0.010, p=0.002, p=0.013

No predictor was identified through multivariate analysis

RESULTS - PAIRWISE COMPARISONS

In pairwise comparisons, extensive treatment coverage was the only significant variable predicting lack of aortic growth

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p=0.009

EXTENSIVE TREATMENT PREVENTS AORTIC GROWTH

>70% long-term stabilization of pre-op max TA total diameter over 5 years

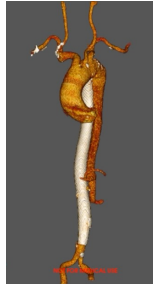
	STABLE II* At the level of dissection stent		Multilayer Stent Real World DRAGON	
	31	21	57	14
Nb of subjects	31	21	57	14
Follow-up duration (months) (mean ± sd)	24	60	21±21	54±14
Max TA Total diameter (mm) (mean ± sd)	Thoracic aorta: 39.6 ± 5.7 Abdominal aorta: 32.6 ± 4.9		55.5±14.9	43.3±9.2
% of subjects with TEVAR	100%	100%	18%	0%
% of subject with fully thrombosed FL	17% [‡]	33% [‡]	0%	7%
Remodelling - Change in max TA total diameter				
Increase:	45% ^{##}	62% ^{##}	30% [@]	21% [#]
Decrease:	7% [‡]	5% [‡]	35% [€]	29% [*]
No change:	48% [‡]	33% [‡]	35%	50%

* Lombardi et al. Five-year results of the STABLE II study for the endovascular treatment of complicated, acute type B aortic dissection with a composite device design. J Vasc Med 2022;26:1189-97.

CONCLUSIONS

When patients with TBAD have their dissected aorta treated extensively with multilayer stents:

- the FL status and its perfusion of aortic side branches did not impact aortic remodeling
- extensive treatment with multilayer stents appears to be a key parameter to promote positive aortic remodeling, stabilizing disease progression, and thus potentially reducing the need for aortic reintervention



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PERSPECTIVE

The ongoing prospective multicenter EXTENSO study is evaluating the effectiveness and safety of the Allay® Aortic Stent when used as an adjunctive endovascular treatment in patients with TBAD who are eligible for TEVAR with stent graft(s)

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