

Low Profile Devices For TEVAR And B/EVAR
Disadvantages And Advantages Based On A
10-Year Experience With Matched Patients

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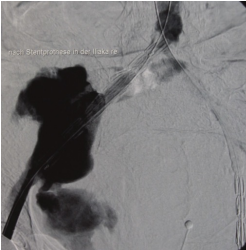
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Why Low-Profile Stent-Grafts in TEVAR?



- Access Complication Rates 9-12%
- More Female, Asian and young Pts
- Iliac occlusive disease in 15%

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Zenith Alpha Thoracic Stent-Graft
Comparison with the TX-2

Technical success:
93.9% Zenith Alpha vs. 91.2% Zenith TX-2

No case surgical death
No conversion to open repair

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Early experience with the Zenith Alpha

- Mean minimal iliac diameter: 5.8 mm
- 18% of the patients had a previous unsuccessful treatment attempt with a standard-profile device

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Will reduced profile affect durability?

- Will altered stent material lead to increased fracture rates?
- Will the rate of type III/IV endoleak increase during FU?
- Will the need for secondary procedures increase during FU?

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Long-term results

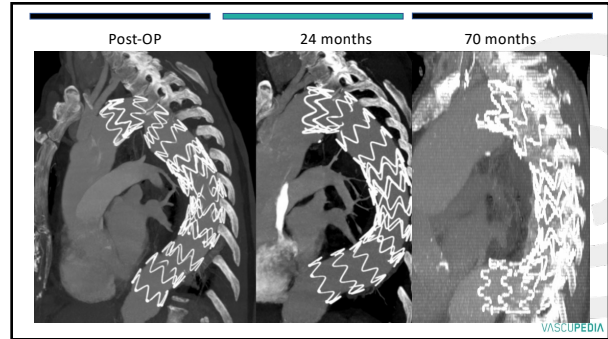
42 pts

Minimum follow-up: 60 m.

25% urgent/emergent

Complication	Frequency (%)
Conversion	0
Type Ia EL	2
Type Ib EL	0
Type III EL	1
Infection	0
Thrombosis	0
Rupture	0
Expansion	1
Reintervention	1
Migration	2
Fracture	0

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Aneurysm Shrinkage with Zenith Alpha

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Outcomes of low- and standard-profile F/BEVAR for TAAA (January 2016-January 2020; n: 225)

	LPSG (72)	SPSG (153)	p
Follow-up (months)	10.84	10.71	ns
Technical Success	69 (95.8%)	146 (95.4%)	ns
Early postoperative events			
30-day mortality	2 (2.7%)	10 (6.5%)	ns
Postop dialysis	0	4 (2.6%)	ns
Neurological complications	7 (9.7%)	12 (7.8%)	ns

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Low- and standard-profile f/branched stent grafts for TAAAs

Mid-term outcomes of **matched** patients

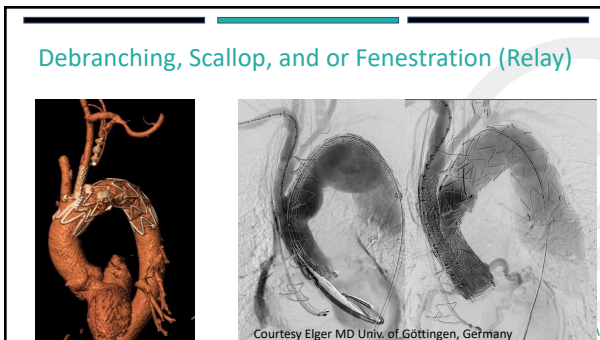
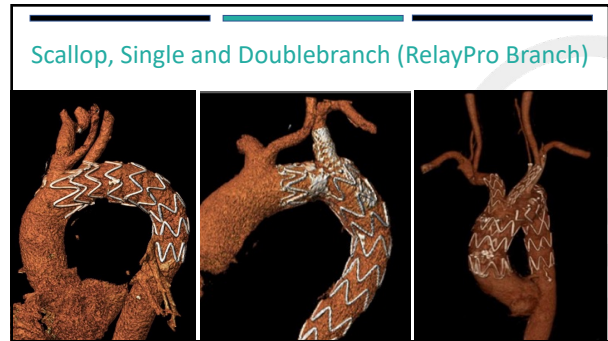
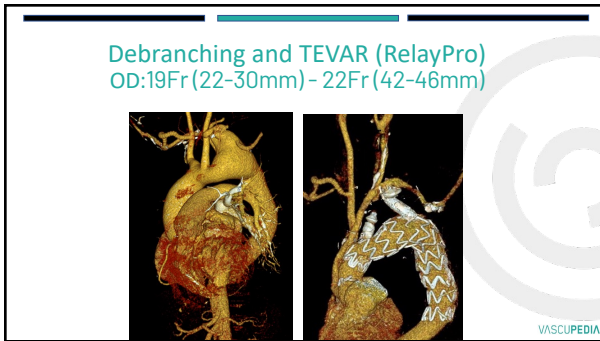
	SP	LP	p-value
Aortic-related reintervention	8.3%	4.2%	NS
Type 1a Endoleak	0	4.2%	NS
Type 1b Endoleak	4.2%	0	NS
Type 1c Endoleak	20.8%	12.5%	NS
Migration (mm)	3.40	4.5	NS
Scoliosis (°)	4.20	8.25	NS

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Low-profile versus standard-profile multibranched thoracoabdominal aortic stent grafts.

- Compared low-profile (18F; nitinol stents and thin-walled polyester fabric) and standard-profile stent grafts (22F-24F).
- Aneurysm-related death, rupture, migration, type I or III EL, aneurysm enlargement, branch vessel occlusion, and reintervention rates were similar between the two groups.
- However, LPSG lowered the number of patients who required conduit use, especially in women, thereby reducing an otherwise striking gender difference.

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Conclusions

- Low-Profile Devices for TEVAR and F/BEVAR are associated with fewer access vessel complications
- More patients can be treated with LP devices
- Reduced profile did not lead to reduced durability

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