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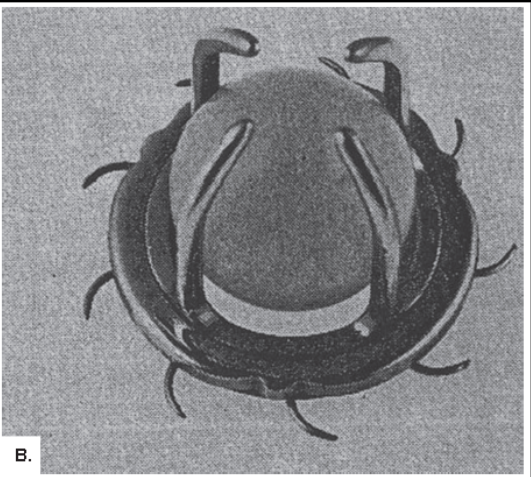
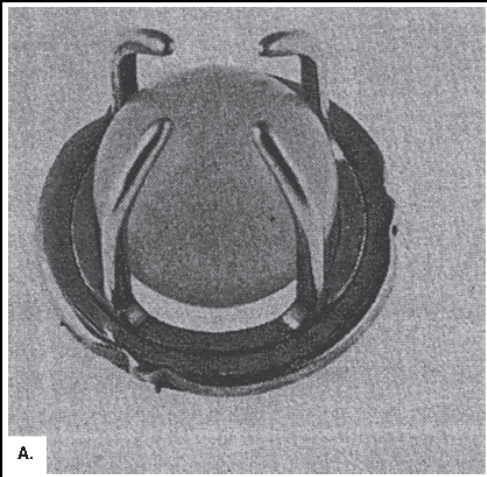
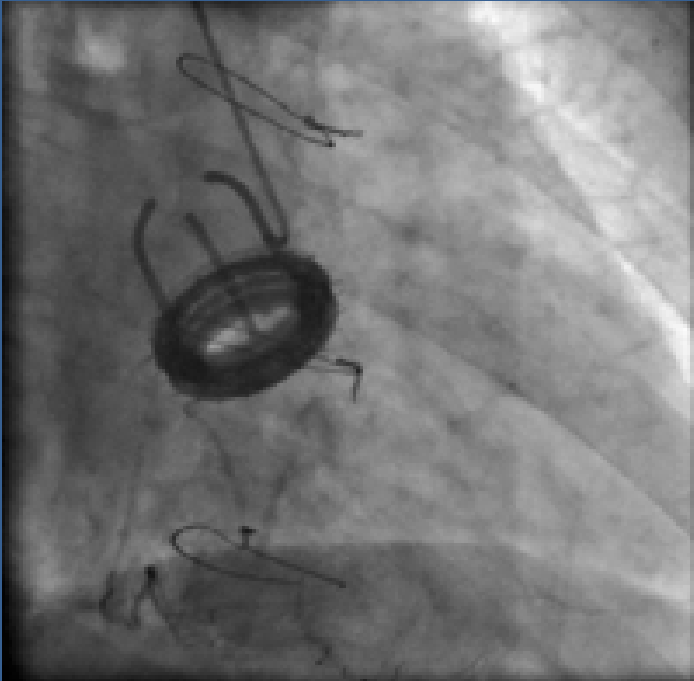
Sutureless aortic valve replacement:  
results with the Perceval bioprosthesis.

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# Sutureless aortic valves

Magovern-Cromie valve: 1962-1980



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## Magovern-Cromie valve: 1962-1980



- > 7.300 implants
- Reduced operative mortality
- Stopped in 1980
  - Thrombo-embolism
  - Ball/cage design
  - Paravalvular leaks

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**A Perfectly Functioning Magovern-Cromie Sutureless Prosthetic Aortic Valve 42 Years After Implantation**

Amnon Y. Zlotnick, MD; Avinoam Shiran, MD; Basil S. Lewis, MD; Dan Aravot, MD

# Sutureless aortic valves

## 2005: 3F Therapeutics 'Enable' (ATS)

- Equine pericardium
- 3 centers (Germany, Poland, Switzerland)
- First generation: significant paravalvular leakage
- Second generation: total n = 28
- X-clamp time: 39min
- Good early hemodynamic performance
- 1 early explant for severe paravalvular leakage
- Max follow-up: 18 months



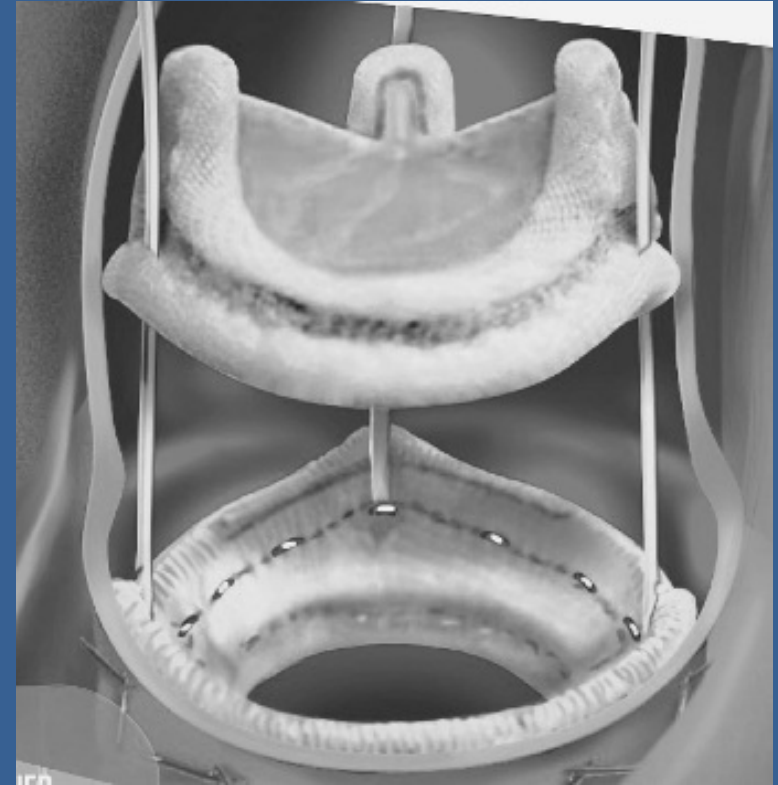
### **Clinical experience with the second-generation 3f Enable sutureless aortic valve prosthesis**

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# Sutureless aortic valves

## 2006: Trilogy valve (Arbor)

- Bovine pericardium
- 5 centers (Germany, Poland, Russia)
- Total n = 32
- X-clamp times: 70min
- Good early hemodynamic performance
- 1 early explant (endocarditis)
- Max follow-up: 2y



### **Sutureless aortic valve replacement with the Trilogy Aortic Valve System: Multicenter experience**

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# Sutureless aortic valves

2007: Perceval valve (Sorin)

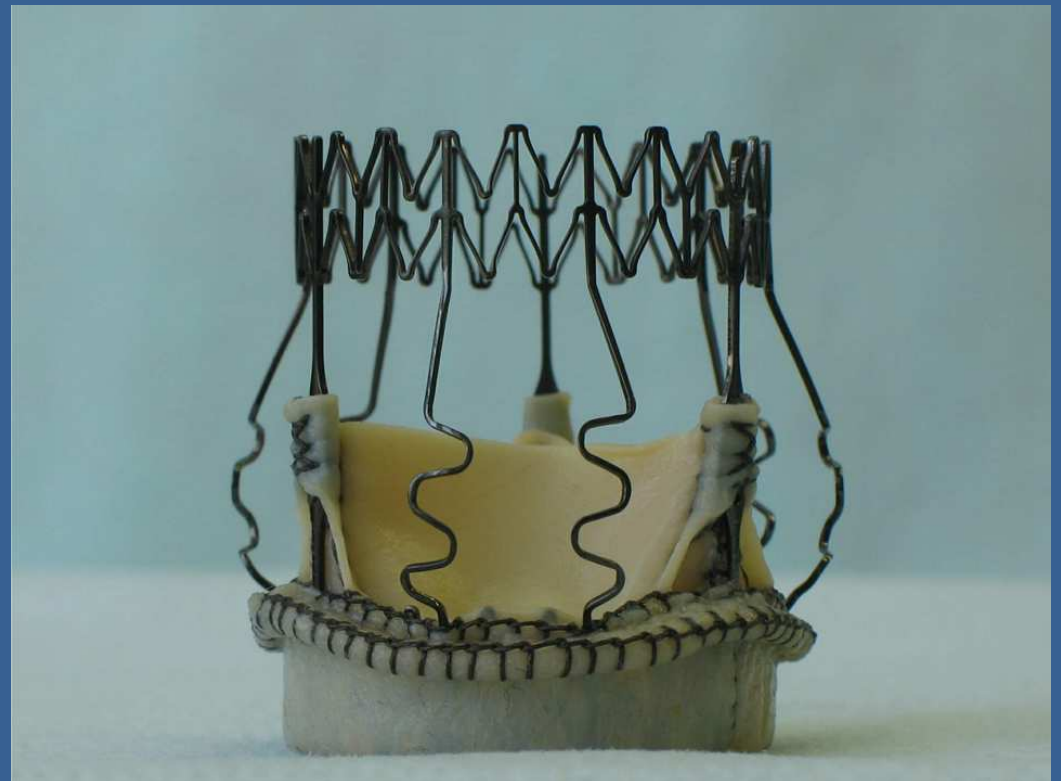




# Sutureless aortic valves

## 2007: Perceval valve (Sorin)

- Bovine pericardium
  - Glutaraldehyde-fixed
  - Detoxified (HA)
    - ≈ Sorin Freedom valve
  - No rinsing
  - Nitinol, self-expanding frame



# Sutureless aortic valves

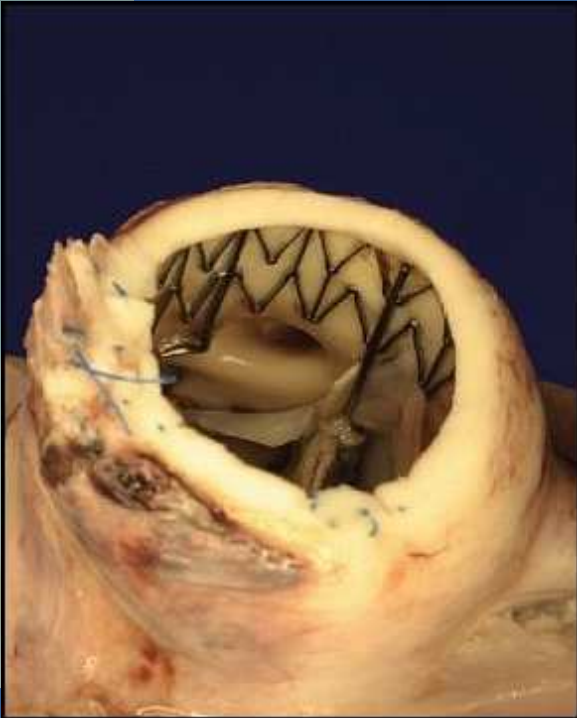
## 2007: Perceval valve (Sorin)

OUTFLOW RING  
(Sinotubular junction)

Straight  
commissural  
struts

Sinusoidal struts

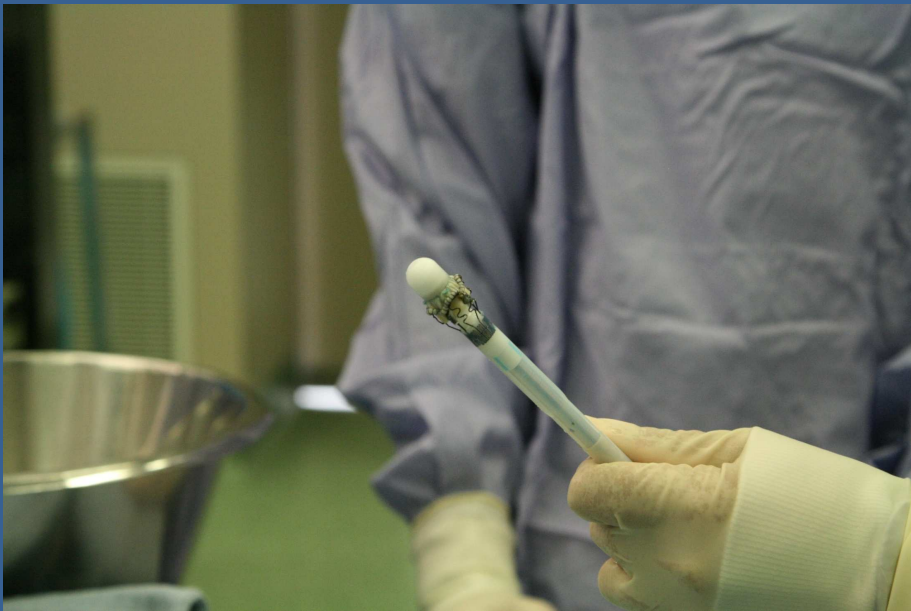
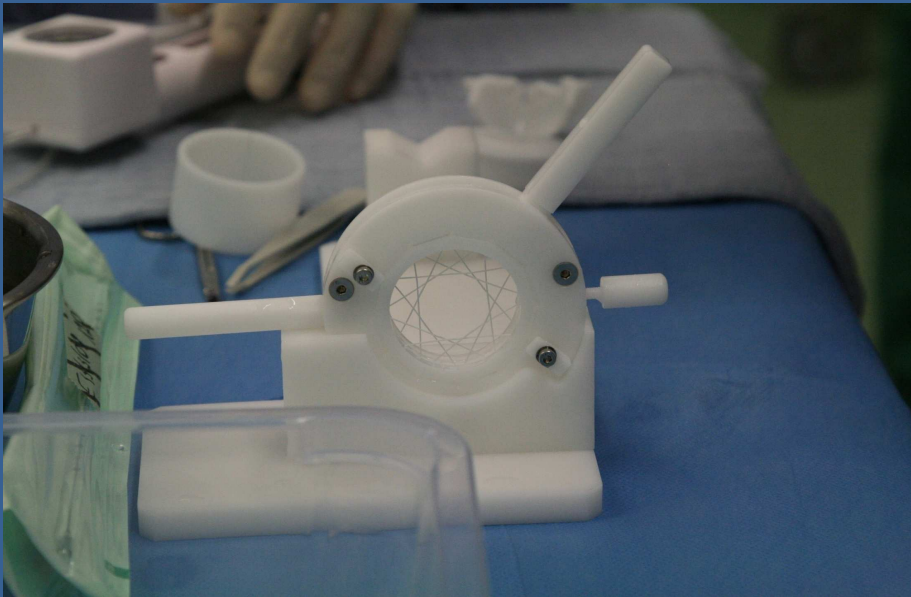
INFLOW RING  
(annulus level)





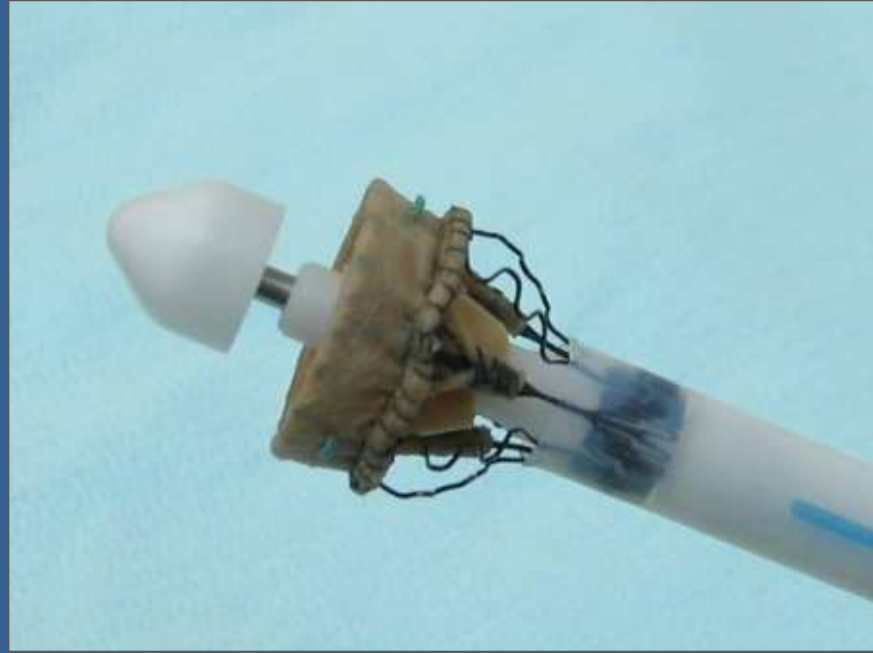
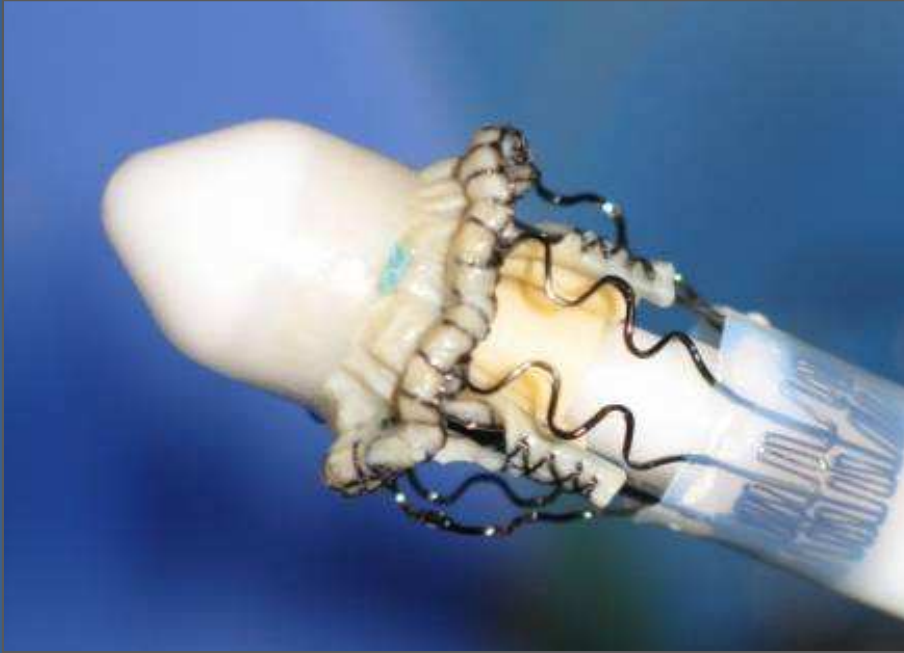
# Perceval valve

## Valve preparation



# Perceval valve

Valve deployment: 2 steps



# Perceval valve

## Current trials



'First-in-man' trial

2007- 2008

3 EU centers

- Leuven
- Hannover
- Paris

Completed

150 enrolled

2008 - 2009

9 EU centers

1y clinical + echo follow-up

Completed

Aim: 240 patients

Current status: 158 enrolled

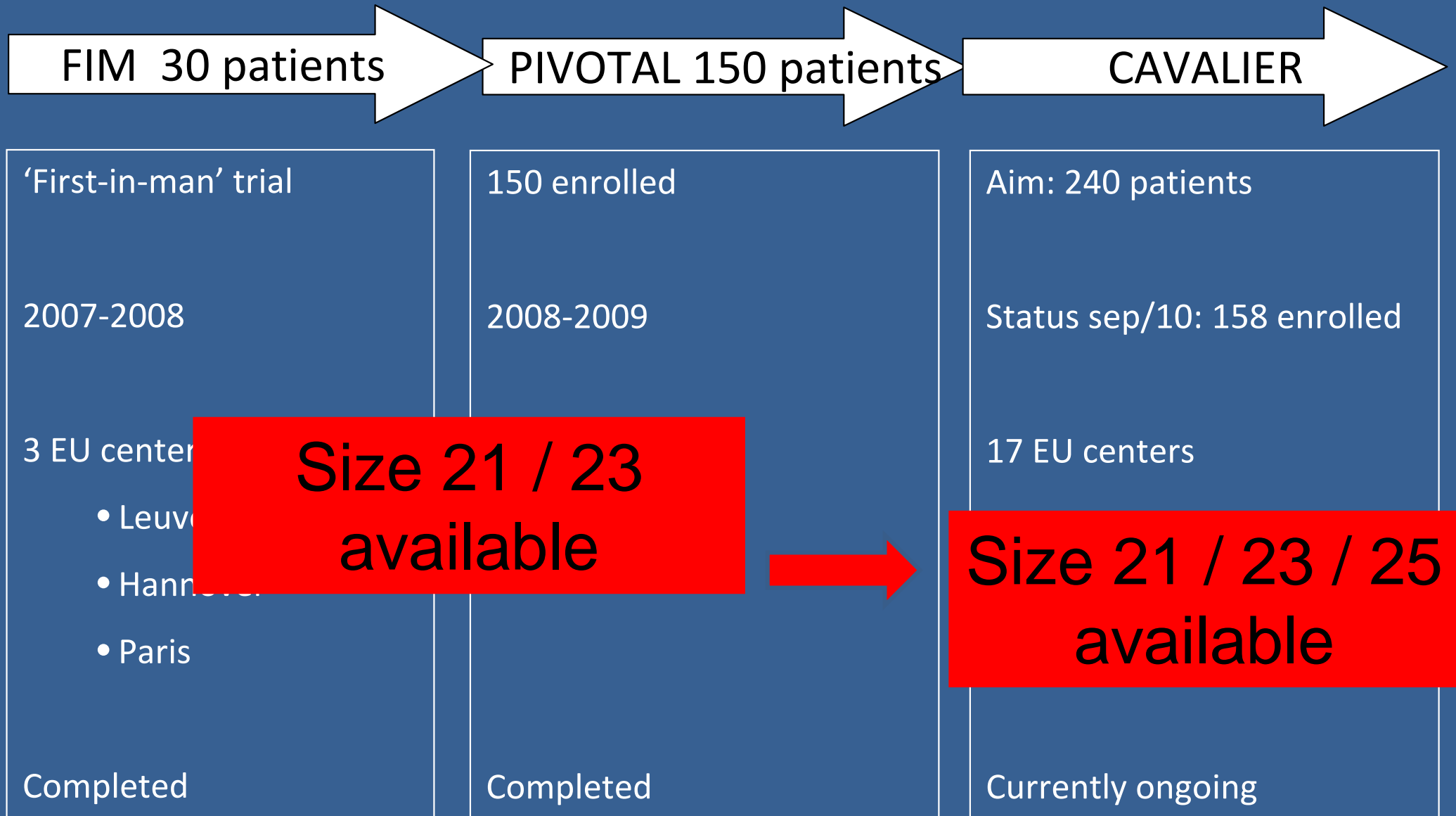
17 EU centers

5y clinical + echo follow-up

Currently ongoing

# Perceval valve

## Current trials



# Perceval valve

## First trials

### **Inclusion Criteria**

- age  $\geq 75$  years;
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# Perceval valve

## Leuven series (n=42)

Mean age: 79,3 ± 3,3 (range 75 – 87)

Mean logistic Euroscore: 12,3 (range 6,2 – 24,9)

Concomitant CABG: 55%

Size 21: n=6

Size 23: n=30

Size 25: n=6

# Perceval valve

## Leuven series (n=42)

X-clamp times: mean: 19min (range 12 – 35min)

CABG: mean number of distals: 2,1 (range 1 – 4)

→ intermittent X-clamp → total X-clamp: mean 27min

CPB times: range 42 – 64min

# Perceval valve

## Leuven series (n=42)

- No operative mortality
- Hospital discharge: median day 12 (range 4 – 104)
- Follow-up: mean  $23,1 \pm 8,4$  months (max 36 months, 100%)
- 3 late deaths (valve-unrelated)
- 1 explant (endocarditis)
- 1 postoperative pacemaker

# Perceval valve Leuven series (n=42)

	At discharge (n=42)	6 months (n=31)	12 months (n=25)
<b>Peak pressure gradient</b>	23.2 ± 8.9	21.3 ± 10.7	18.4 ± 7.4
<b>Mean pressure gradient</b>	12.1 ± 5.1	12.4 ± 6.2	10.3 ± 4.3
<b>Effective orifice area</b>	1.5 ± 0.4	1.3 ± 0.5	1.3 ± 0.9
<b>Valvular regurgitation</b>			
•0 - 1	78%	80%	86%
•1 +	22%	17%	13%
•2 +	0%	3% (*)	0%
•3 +	0%	0%	0%
<b>Paravalvular regurgitation</b>			
•0 - 1	87%	83%	92%
•1 +	13%	14%	9%
•2 +	0%	3% (*)	0%
•3 +	0%	0%	0%



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Aortic Valve Replacement with Perceval S

# Perceval valve

## Conclusion

- Safe surgical procedure
  - No significant paravalvular leakage
  - No migration or dislodgement
  - Over 330 valves implanted now, maximum FU > 3y
- Significantly reduced X-clamp times
  - Can be implanted in < 20min
  - Possible benefit in combined procedures, in elderly and high-risk patients
  - Little manipulation in aortic root (calcification, plaque,...)
- Good early hemodynamic performance

# Perceval valve Publications

## T3. **Sutureless Perceval S Aortic Valve Replacement: Multicentric, Prospective, Pilot Trial**

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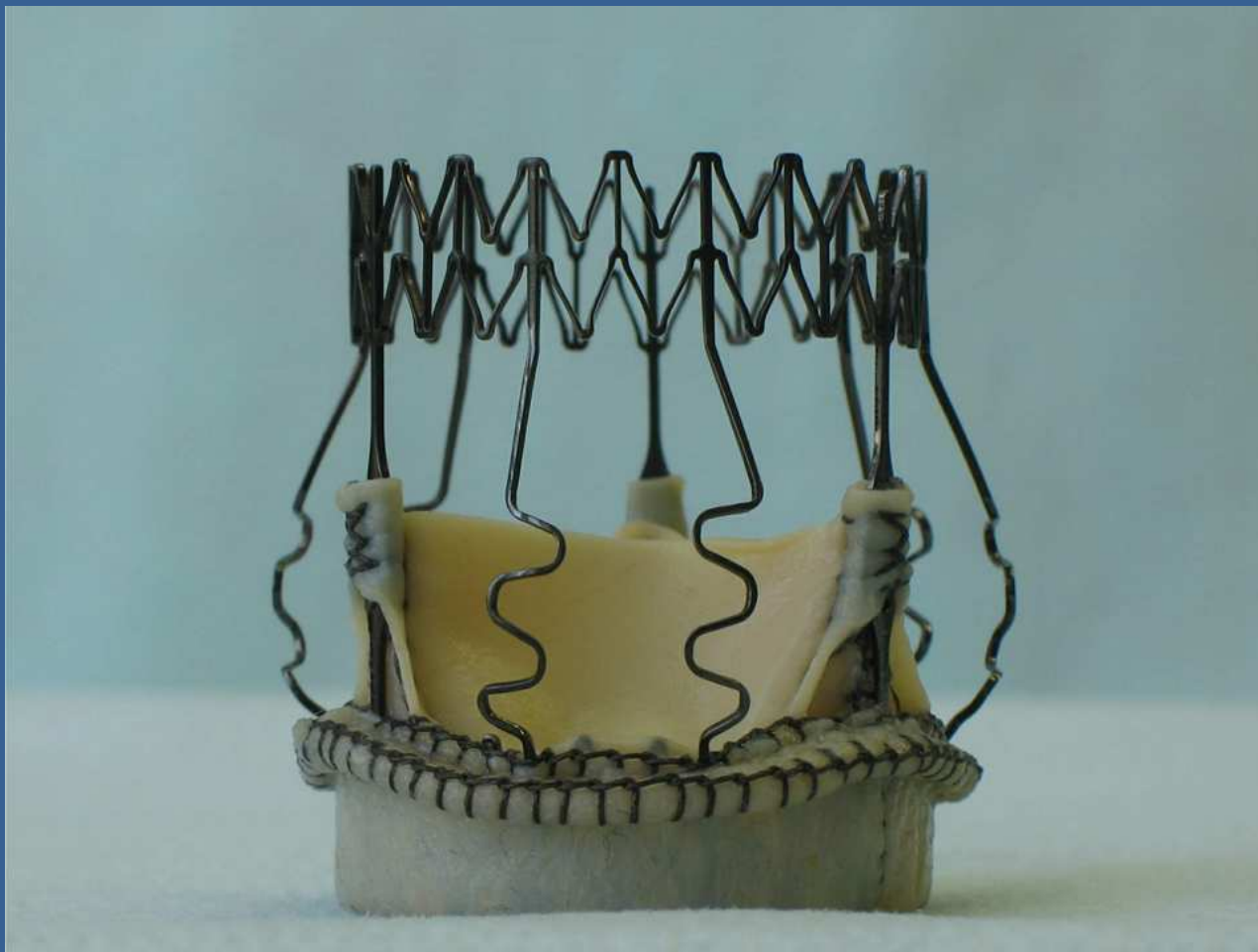
**Background and aim of the study:** A European, multicenter, prospective, non-randomized, clinical pilot trial was designed to evaluate the feasibility of the Perceval S sutureless aortic valve prosthesis. A clinical and echocardiographic follow up was performed at the time of hospital discharge and subsequently after one, three, six, and 12 months.

**Methods:** The valve was implanted following sternotomy, extracorporeal circulation (ECC), aortic cross-clamping, cardioplegic arrest, and removal of the native valve. Implantation suturing was not required. Optimal annular sealing was obtained with brief low-pressure balloon dilation. If coronary bypass was indicated, a distal anastomosis was performed first. Between April 2007 and February 2008, 30 patients (mean age: 81 ± 4 years) underwent aortic valve replacement. The prevalence of pure aortic stenosis was 76.7%, and that of mixed lesion 23.3%. The mean logistic EuroSCORE was 13.18%, and the NYHA class was III and IV in 93.3% and 6.7% of patients, respectively. The implanted valve size was 21 and 23 mm in 37% and 63% of patients, respectively,

and 14 (46.7%) underwent coronary artery bypass grafting (11 internal mammary artery, nine vein grafts).  
**Results:** The mean aortic cross-clamp and ECC times were 34 ± 15 min and 59 ± 21 min, respectively. There was one in-hospital death (3.3%), and three deaths occurred within 12 months of follow up (one death was valve-related, and two deaths were independent of the valve implantation). A total of 28 patients was assessed at one month post-implantation, and 23 after 12 months. No migration or dislodgement of the valve had occurred, but there were two mild paravalvular leakages and two mild intra-valvular insufficiencies.

**Conclusion:** The preliminary results of the trial confirmed the safety and efficacy of the Perceval S sutureless aortic valve. In this high-risk subset of patients, shortening the aortic cross-clamp and ECC times may help to reduce mortality and morbidity.

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*Thank you*