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My DVT Was Treated; Years Later I Still Have Pain and Swelling: What to Do With Post Thrombotic Syndrome

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# Why treat DVT surgically?

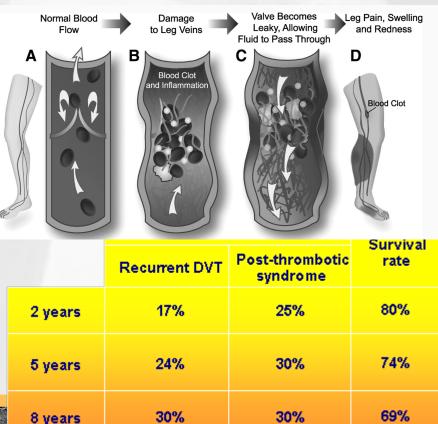
- Early return of vein patency
- Preserve valvular function to limit long term complication
- Prevent pulmonary embolism

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Circulation 2 Mar 2010. 2010;121:e217-e219

Sara R. Vazguez Susan R. Kahn Postthrombotic Syndrome

Limit Post-thrombotic syndrome



# Heparin vs. Thrombolysis Comparison of 13 studies

Outcome	Heparin	Thrombolysis	
	N=254	N=337	
Complete Lysis	4%	45%	
Partial Lysis	14%	18%	
No Change/Worse	82%	37%	



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### Greater thrombus removal gives lower PTS rate

Comerota et al. J Vasc Surg. 2012 Mar; 55(3): 768-73.

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Postthrombotic morbidity correlates with residual thrombus following catheter-directed thrombolysis for iliofemoral deep vein thrombosis

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Background: Iliofemoral deep vein thrombosis (DVT) is associated with severe postthrombotic morbidity when treated

#### Study to evaluate correlation between residual thrombus and post-thrombotic syndrome (PTS)

- 71 consecutive IFDVT patients treated with CDT
- Blinded comparison of pre- and post-treatment phlebograms and evaluation of CEAP/Villalta scores

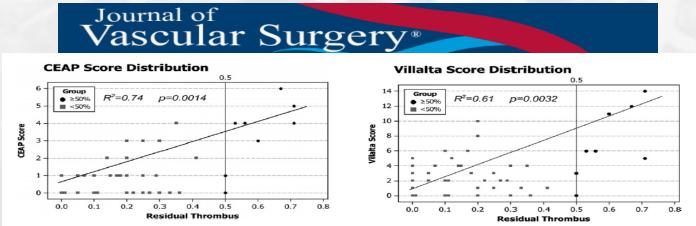
correlation of clinical class of CEAP with residual thrombus ( $R^2 = .74$ ; P = .004) and a direct linear correlation of Villalta score with residual thrombus ( $R^2 = .61$ ; P = .0014).

*Conclusion:* In patients with iliofemoral DVT treated with catheter-based techniques of thrombus removal, postthrombotic morbidity is related to residual thrombus. When thrombus clearance was complete, the postthrombotic syndrome was avoided. Residual thrombus is associated with an increasing risk of postthrombotic syndrome. (J Vasc Surg 2012;=:===.)



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#### First study to demonstrate:

- Direct and significant correlation of between PTS scores and thrombus clearance
- Conclusion: when thrombus clearance is complete, PTS can be avoided

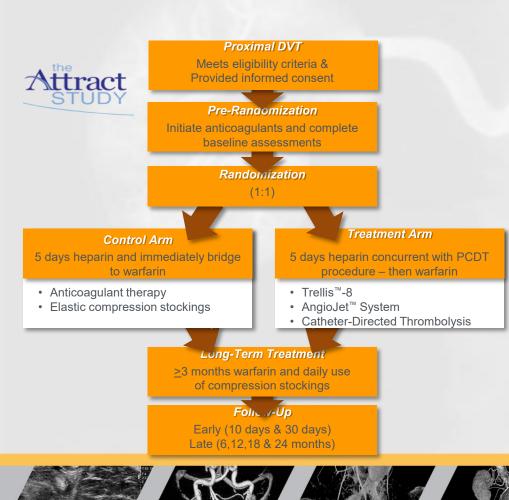
	CDT improves patency and reduces PTS compared to anticoagulation							
	Enden et al.; CaVenT Study Group. Lancet. 2012 Jan 7;379(9810):31-8. THE LANCET							
	Long-term outcome after additional catheter-directed thrombolysis versus standard treatment for acute iliofemoral deep vein thrombosis (the CaVenT study):							
	209 patients included       Inclusion criteria         209 patients included       • Age 18–75 years         • Onset of symptoms within the past 21 days							
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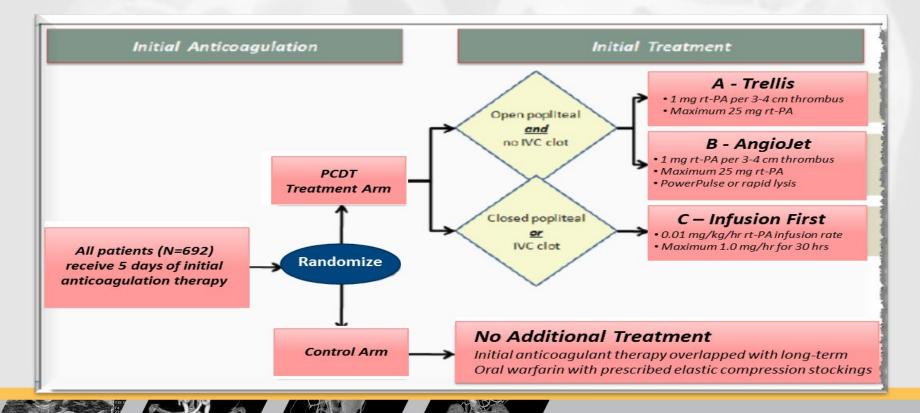
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- Higher patency at 6 months f/u
- Lower rate of PTS at 24 months f/u
- Further improvement in PTS rates likely if more adjunctive procedures had been performed following CDT
- 20 Bleeding Events 3 Major and 5 Clinically Relevant



- NIH-funded, Phase III, multicenter, randomized, open-label, assessor-blind, parallel two-arm, controlled clinical trial
- 692 patients at 30-60 centers
- Determining if the use of Pharmamechanical CDT (e.g. AngioJet) in acute DVT reduces occurrence of post thrombotic syndrome (PTS) over 24 months
- Includes both clinical and economic outcomes

# **ATTRACT Trial Overview**



# ATTRACT<sup>a</sup>: Long-Term Effects of PCDT

Outcome (24 months)	<b>PCDT</b> n=336	No PCDT n=355	P Value
Any PTS	46.7%	48.2%	.56
Recurrent VTE	12.5%	8.5%	.09
Generic QOL (SF-36 PCS)	11.8	10.1	.37
Venous QOL (VEINES)	27.7	23.5	.08
Moderate or Severe PTS	17.9%	23.7%	.035
MS-PTS IFDVT	18.4%	28.2%	-
MS-PTS FPDVT	17.1%	18.1%	-
PCDT likely to benefit	patients v	vith iliofemo	oral DVT

PCDT less effective in patients ≥65 years old (p= .038)

# Where does this put us?

- 1. Medical Therapy (anticoagulation) has a low rate of clearing clot
- 2. There appears to be a relationship between failure to remove DVT and PTS
- 3. Even in the setting of DVT treatment there is a high risk of progression of symptoms



## Sequelae of DVT

- Post-thrombotic syndrome may result in:
  - -Chronic pain
  - -Swelling
  - –Skin ulceration secondary to post-phlebitic syndrome
- Chronic condition in 30-75% of DVT patients within 2 years
  - 90% unable to work due to leg symptoms 10 years after iliofemoral DVT
- Irreversible damage to veins & valves
  - -Impact on quality of life

### **CEAP Score**

- The CEAP score was designed to score all chronic venous disease, categorizing patients' disease according to
- Clinical signs
- Etiology
- Anatomic distribution
- Pathophysiologic condition

Clinical cl	assification (C) <sup>a</sup>
C <sub>o</sub>	No visible sign of venous disease
C1	Telangiectases or reticular veins
C <sub>2</sub>	Varicose veins
C <sub>3</sub>	Edema
C <sub>4</sub>	Changes in skin and subcutaneous tissue <sup>b</sup>
	(A) Pigmentation or eczema
	(B) Lipodermatosclerosis or atrophie blanche
C <sub>5</sub>	Healed ulcer
C <sub>6</sub>	Active ulcer
Etiologic o	elassification (E)
E <sub>c</sub>	Congenital (e.g., Klippel-Trenaunay syndrome)
Ep	Primary
E <sub>s</sub>	Secondary (e.g., postthrombotic syndrome, trauma)
E <sub>n</sub>	No venous cause identified

Anatom	ic classification (A)					
A <sub>s</sub>	Superficial					
A <sub>d</sub>	Deep					
Ap	Perforator					
A <sub>n</sub>	No venous location identified					
Pathoph	ysiologic classification (P)					
Pr	Reflux					
Po	Obstruction, thrombosis					
P <sub>r,o</sub>	Reflux and obstruction					
P <sub>n</sub>	No venous pathophysiology identified					
CEAP, clinical, etiologic, anatomic, pathophysiological. <sup>a</sup> The descriptor A (asymptomatic) or S (symptomatic) is placed after the C clinical class. <sup>b</sup> C4 is subdivided into A and B, with B indicating higher severity of disease and having a higher risk for ulcer devel- opment.						
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### Villalta

 The Villalta score is a disease score specific for PTS It can be used to both diagnose and categorize the severity of the condition.

Symptoms/clinical signs	None	Mild	Moderate	Severe
Symptoms				
Pain	0 points	1 point	2 points	3 points
Cramps	0 points	1 point	2 points	3 points
Heaviness	0 points	1 point	2 points	3 points
Paresthesia	0 points	1 point	2 points	3 points
Pruritus	0 points	1 point	2 points	3 points
Clinical signs				÷.
Pretibial edema	0 points	1 point	2 points	3 points
Skin induration			2 points	3 points
Hyperpigmentation	0 points	1 point	2 points	3 points
Redness			2 points	3 points
Venous ectasia	0 points	1 point	2 points	3 points
Pain on calf compression	*	*	2 points	3 points
Venous ulcer	Absent			Present



### Venous Clinical Severity Score (VCSS).

- The VCSS includes 9 hallmarks of venous disease, each scored on a severity scale from 0 to 3.
- In order to generate a dynamic score, VCSS categories are scored individually, which adds emphasis to the most severe sequelae of venous disease that are likely to show the greatest response to therapy.
- These include skin changes and pigmentation, inflammation and induration, and ulcers (including number, size, and duration). The current version of the VCSS contains a category for compression, with higher scores representing greater compliance.
- The VCSS has been discussed extensively in research



Clinical descriptor	Absent (0)	Mild (1)	Moderate (2)	Severe (3)	
Pain	None	Occasional	Daily not limiting	Daily limiting	
Varicose veins	None	Few	Calf or thigh	Calf and thigh	
Venous oedema	None	Foot and ankle	Below knee	Knee and above	
Skin pigmentation	None	Limited perimalleolar	Diffuse lower 1/3 calf	Wider above lower 1/3 calf	
Inflammation	None	Limited perimalleolar	Diffuse lower 1/3 calf	Wider above lower 1/3 calf	
Induration	None	Limited perimalleolar	Diffuse lower 1/3 calf	Wider above lower 1/3 calf	
Number of active ulcers	None	1	2	≥ 3	
Ulcer duration	None	< 3 month	3-12 month	> 1 year	
Active ulcer size	None	< 2 cm	2-6 cm	> 6 cm	
Compression therapy	None	Intermittent	Most days	Fully comply	

### **Chronic Venous Insufficiency Questionnaire (CIVIQ)**

- The CIVIQ comprises 20 questions in four quality-of-life domains: physical, psychological, social, and pain.
- The first version of the CIVIQ instrument, the CIVIQ 1, was validated in a sample of 2001 patients, 50% of whom had been diagnosed with venous insufficiency and the remainder of whom presented to a general practitioner for other reasons
- CIVIQ-20 showed good internal consistency and reliability (above 0.80) through test-retest correlations in 3956 patients,.
- Both versions of the CIVIQ have been used in studies and proven to be valid quality-of-life measurements.



## **Post-Thrombotic Syndrome**

- PTS develops in 29% to 74% of patients following DVT
- Affects 5% of US population
- 400,000 to 500,000 individuals have venous stasis ulcers
- Annual direct cost of PTS in the US of \$200 million ۰
- 2 million workdays lost annually in the US ٠





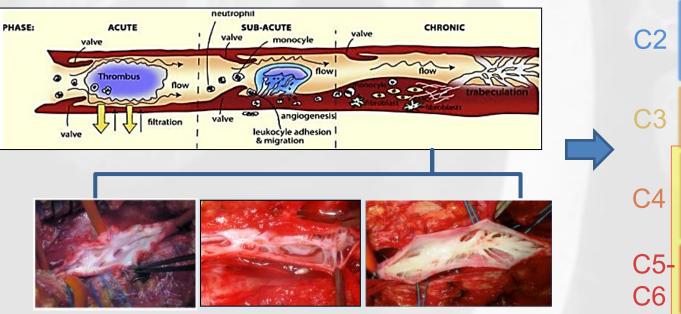
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### Post-Thrombotic Syndrome (PTS):Valve Destruction & Obstruction

#### The post thrombotic syndrome: Ignore it and it will come back to bite you

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### **CVI CEAP Score Progression**

Collagen scarring, trabeculae damage valves and cause obstruction







### Correlation of AVP (Column Pressure) and Ulceration is Well Established, DVR Prevents Normal Pressure Drop via Calf Pump

Reflux (& Outflow Obstruction) worsen impact by *preventing* normal pressure drop via calf pump function

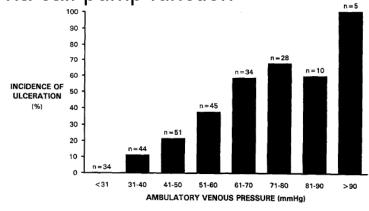


Fig. 1. Incidence of ulceration in relation to AVP.

### The relation of venous ulceration with ambulatory venous pressure measurements

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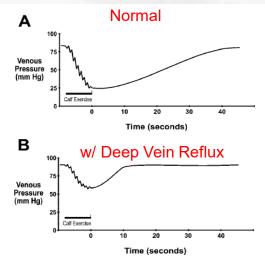


Figure 1. Illustrative ambulatory venous pressure measurements. (A) Normal venous pressure. The resting standing venous pressure is ~80 to 90 mm Hg. The pressure drops with calf exercise to ~20 to 30 mm Hg, or a >50% decrease. The return in pressure is more gradual, with refill taking >20 s. (B) Abnormal venous pressure with deep venous reflux. The drop in pressure with exercise is blunted (<50% decrease). The return in venous pressure to the resting level is rapid because of a short refill time (<20 s).

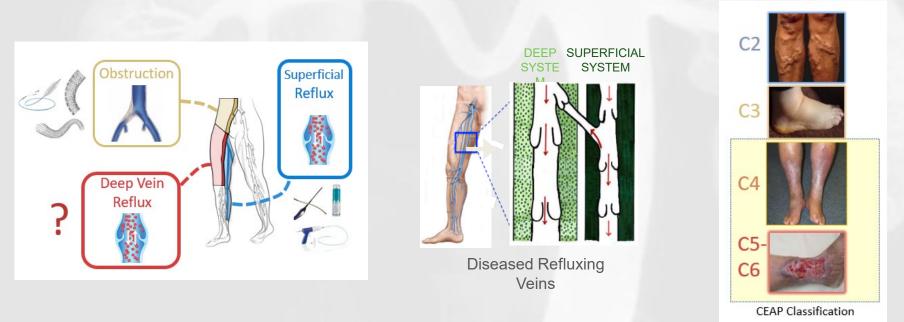
#### **Contemporary Reviews in Cardiovascular Medicine**

Chronic Venous Insufficiency

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### Three Major Underlying Causes of Symptoms of Post-Thrombic Syndrome

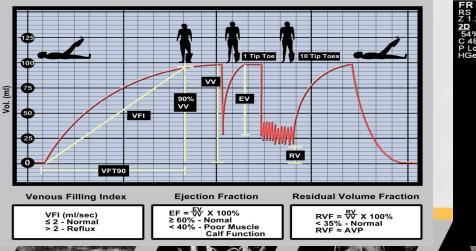


'CVI' refers to *severe* Venous Disease (CEAP 4-6), where mixed etiologies are common including Deep Vein Reflux (DVR), Superficial Reflux, and Venous Obstruction. The most prevalent and progressive is *postthrombotic* after DVT

## **Imaging Support**

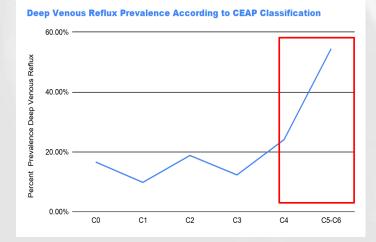
- Non-Invasive Vascular Lab

   Reflux Study
  - Central Duplex





### High Prevalence of Deep Venous Reflux (DVR), PTS, Obstruction among Severe CVI patients, DVR common with non-healing Ulcers



Distribution and prevalence of reflux in the superficial and deep venous system in the general population – results from the Bonn Vein Study, Germany

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From the American Venous Forum

Risk factors associated with the venous leg ulcer that fails to heal after 1 year of treatment



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### DVR (and PTS) results in the Most Severe Symptoms including Non-Healing Ulcers despite use of Current SVS Std of Care Tx

- Despite rigorous use of SVS Practice Guidelines at Venous Center of Excellence many ulcers could not be healed
- Deep venous disease, prior Hx of DVT and Depression were all shown to be significant risk factors for nonhealing

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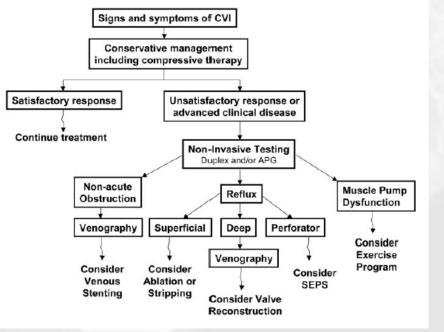
Today DVR Tx Options are Limited to Compression & Wound Care



Chronic Venous Insufficiency

(Circulation, 2005:111:2398-2409.)

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410 Active stockings.

396 placebo stockings

Kahn et al 53

2014

- Recommendations for Compression to
   Prevent PTS
- The effectiveness of ECS for PTS prevention is uncertain, but application of ECS is reasonable to reduce symptomatic swelling in patients with a diagnosis of proximal DVT (*Class IIb*; *Level of Evidence A*).
- Recommendations for the Use of Graduated ECS and Intermittent Compression to Treat PTS
- A trial of ECS may be considered in patients with PTS who have no contraindications (eg, arterial insufficiency) (*Class IIb; Level of Evidence C*).
- For patients with moderate or severe PTS and significant edema, a trial of an intermittent compression device is reasonable (*Class IIb; Level of Evidence C*).

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5–6 d

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Daily pain

and swelling

Up to 2

Table 7, RCTs of Graduated Compression Stockings to Prevent PTS

CEAP indicates clinical, etiological, anatomic, pathophysiological; DVT, deep venous thrombosis; PTS, postthrombotic syndrome; and RCT, randomized, controlled trial.

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blinded

 Recommendations for
 Pharmacotherapy to Treat PTS

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The effectiveness and safety of rutosides, hidrosmin, and defibrotide to treat PTS are uncertain (Class IIb; Level of Evidence B).

	Study, Year	Design	Population	Intervention	Control	Follow-Up	Results
s s	de Jongste et al, <sup>111</sup> 1989	Parallel- group RCT	83 Patients with PTS of ≥6-mo duration, minimum 10-mm difference in calf/ankle circumference between PTS leg and other leg	HR 1200 mg daily (4 equal doses) for 8 wk	Placebo 4 times daily; use of GCS not allowed	8 wk (4- and 8- wk follow-up visits)	Greater improvement of symptoms" seen in HR group at 4 and 8 wk (only tiredness was statistically significant, P=0.02) Greater reduction in mean calf (-6.7 mm) and ankle (-3.4 mm) circumference at 8 wk in HR group.
	Monreal et al, <sup>113</sup> 1994	Crossover RCT	29 Patients with PTS of ≥12-mo duration, minimum 20-mm difference in calf/ankle circumference between PTS leg and other leg	Hidrosmin 600 mg daily (3 equal doses) for 6 mo; HR 900 mg daily (3 equal doses) for 6 mo	All subjects took both study drugs; all were encouraged to use GCS	18 mo; study period of 6 mo and then follow- up every 3 mo	Improvement of symptoms† with both drugs.Small reduction in calf/ankle circumference with hidrosmin.Ulcer healing with both drugs.
eat	Coccheri et al, <sup>112</sup> 2004	Parallel- group RCT	288 Patients with CEAP class C2- C4 venous disease; only 64% had history of DVT	Defibrotide, 800 mg daily (2 equal doses) for 12 mo	Placebo twice a day; GCS used by both groups	12 mo (follow-up visits every 2 mo)	Improvement in symptoms,‡ statistically significant for pain ( $P$ =0.01) and edema ( $P$ =0.03).Decreased mean ankle circumference over 12 mo in treatment group ( $P$ =0.0013)
IIb; e B).	Frulla et al, <sup>49</sup> 2005	Parallel- group RCT (3 arms)	120 Patients with PTS (defined by Villalta scale) and previous proximal DVT	HR 1,000 mg twice daily (soluble powder) alone or combined with GCS (30-40 mm Hg) for 12 mo	GCS (30-40 mm) for 12 mo	12 mo (follow-up visits at 3,6,12 mo)	1) PTS improvement§: 26/40 HR, 25/40 CGS + HR, 28/40 GCS alone2) PTS worsening: 9/40 HR, 9/40 GCS + HR, 6/40 GCS alone

#### Table 9. Pharmacotherapy for the Treatment of PTS

- Recommendations for Exercise Training to Treat PTS
- In patients with PTS, a supervised exercise training program consisting of leg strength training and aerobic activity for at least 6 months is reasonable for patients who are able to tolerate it (Class IIa; Level of Evidence B).



 Recommendations for Venous Ulcer Management

 Compression should be used to treat venous ulcers in preference to primary dressing alone, noncompression bandage, or no compression (*Class I; Level of Evidence A*).

- Recommendations for Endovascular and Surgical Treatment of PTS
- For the severely symptomatic patient with iliac vein or vena cava occlusion, surgery (eg, femoro-femoral or femoro-caval bypass) (*Class IIb; Level of Evidence C*) or percutaneous endovenous recanalization (eg, stent, balloon angioplasty) (*Class IIb; Level of Evidence B*) may be considered.
- For severely symptomatic patients with postthrombotic occlusion of their common femoral vein, iliac vein, and vena cava, combined operative and endovenous disobliteration may be considered (*Class IIb; Level of Evidence C*).
- For severely symptomatic patients with PTS, segmental vein valve transfer or venous transposition may be considered (*Class IIb; Level of Evidence C*).



# So. What do we do?

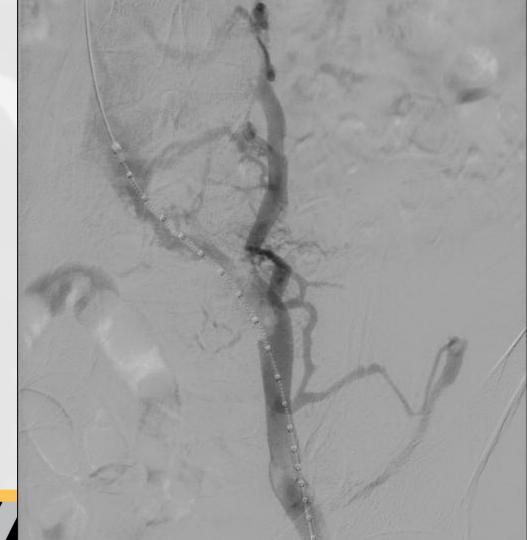
- Chronic DVT Treatment with Post Thrombotic Syndrome or Venous Ulcers
  - A-B-C
    - Activity
    - Blood Thinners
    - Compression

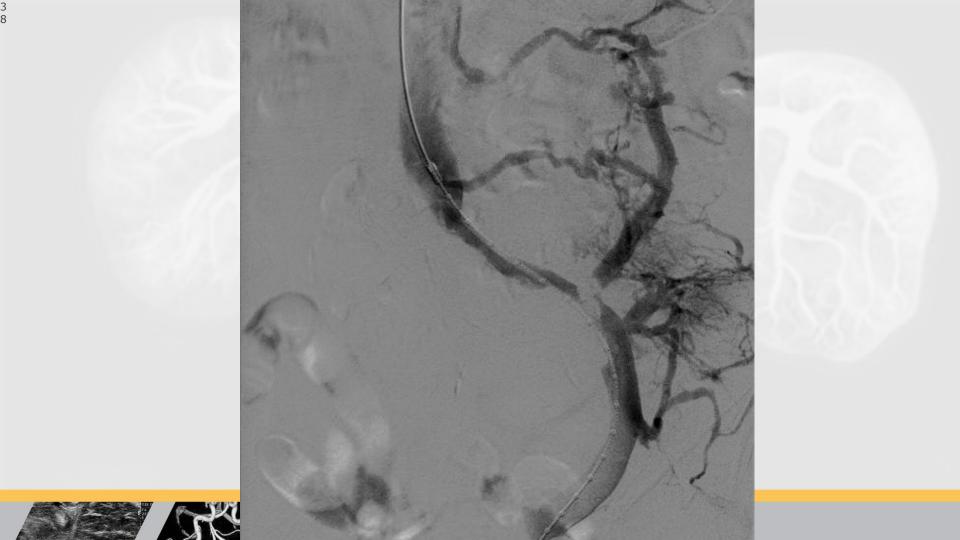
# Interventional Management of Chronic Obstruction

Popliteal Approach Supine (prone is an option) Femoral Vein was normal. Occlusion identified at the Common Iliac Vein

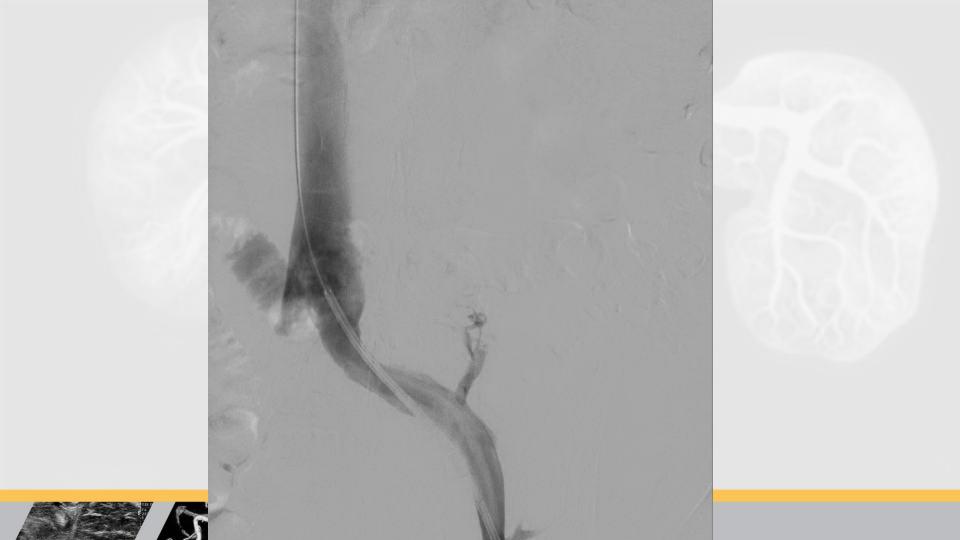


- Key Steps
- Identify a central obstruction
- Multiple views and imaging modalities

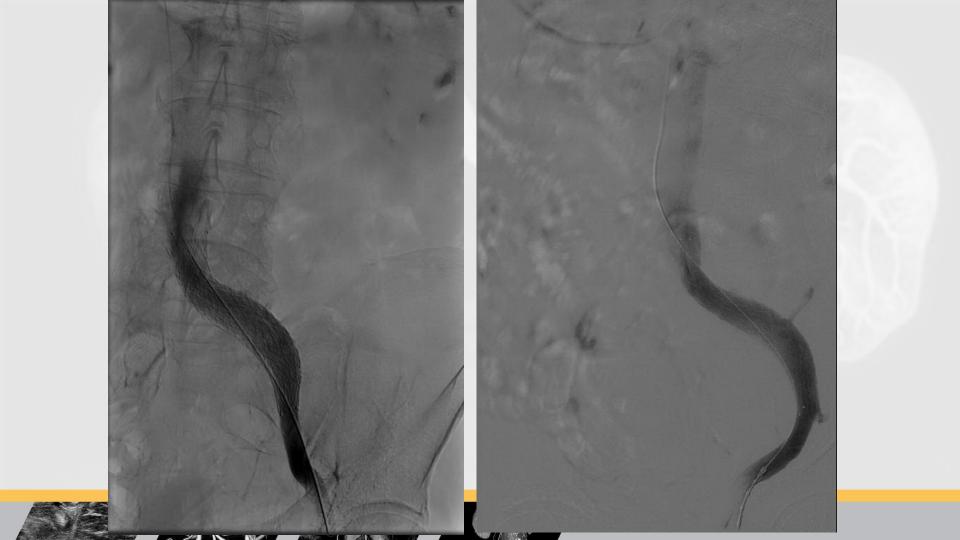










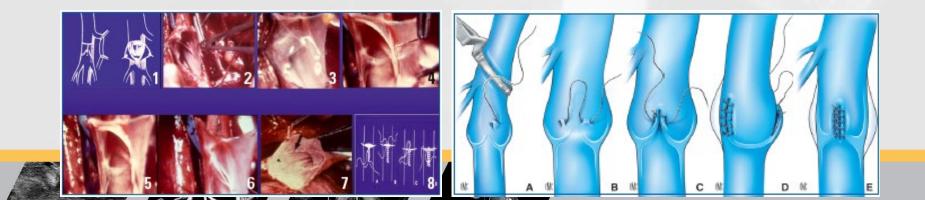


# Interventional Management of Deep Reflux



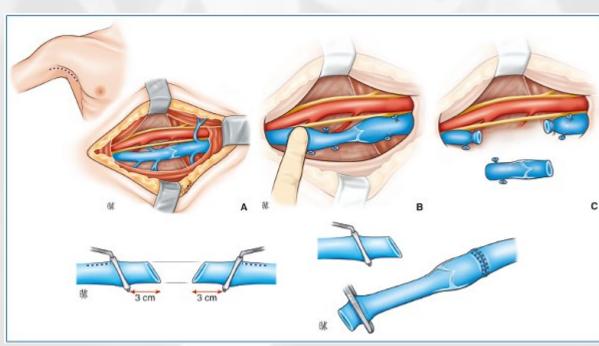
# Valvulplasty

- The valve can be primarily repaired
- Kistner 1968 performed the first valvuloplasty
- In internal valvuloplasty, the vein is opened and the valve is identified under direct visual control
- In external valvuloplasty, the vein is repaired without opening

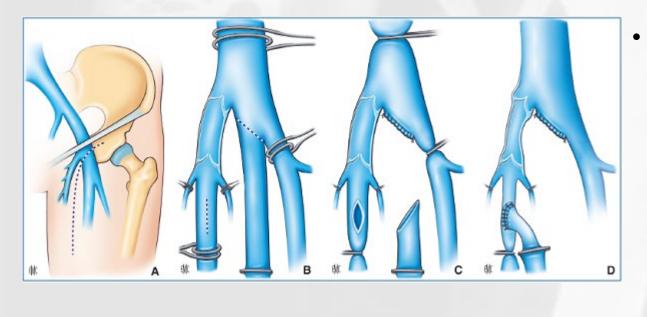


### **Venous Valvular Transplantation**

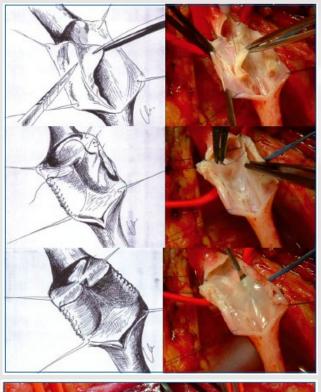
Transplantation of a venous valvular segment. In 1982, Taheri (USA) and Raju (USA) proposed using the humeral and axillary veins which have a functional valve and can be collected undamaged and transplanted into the lower limb



### **Venous Valve Transposition**



Transposition consists of transposing the vein that is the site of reflux onto another lower limb vein, below its competent valve). R. Kistner (USA) invented this technique in 1982.

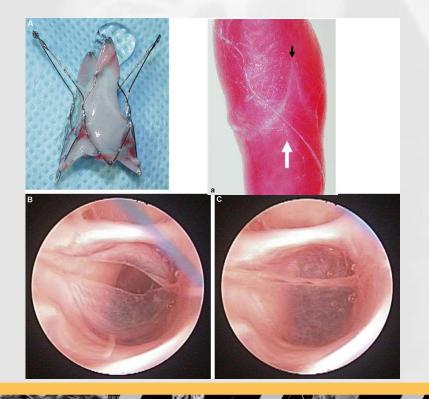




## **Neo-Valve Creation**

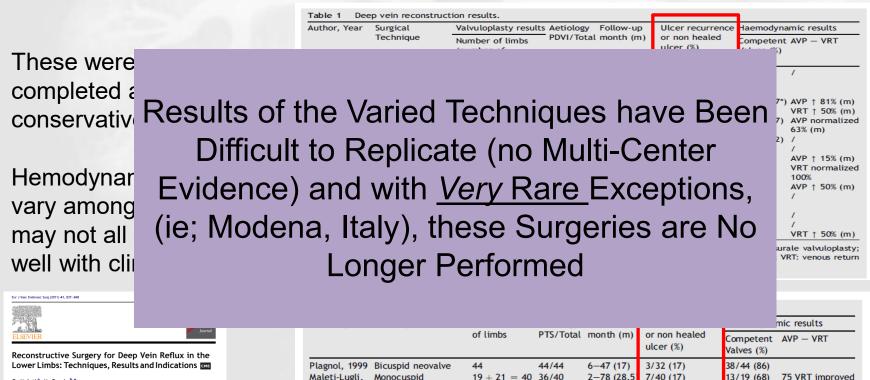
- The creation of a neovalve using venous tissue from the patient was proposed by P. Plagnol (France) in 1999 and by O. Maleti
  - After opening the vein a few centimeters along its axis, the operator divides its wall on one side into two layers.
  - This detachment stopped in the middle allows construction of a sac which corresponds to a valve in a normal subject.
  - -The same technique is performed on the other side thus creating a valve with 2 valvular cusps.(Italy) in 2002.

### **Percutaneous Autologous Valve Transplant**



Percutaneous autologous venous valve transplantation. (A) The harvested autologous venous valve attached to a stent valve template. (B) Venoscopy of the transplanted valve specimen at 3 months. Bicuspid valve inside a flow model demonstrates thin leaflets in the open position and (C) closed position.

### Historical Surgeries and Complex, Invasive and have varied Results with Ulcer Healing & Recurrence



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Monocuspid neovalve 14

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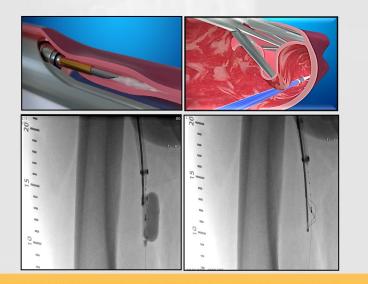
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#### Overview of BlueLeaf and EVF (Endovenous Valve Formation)

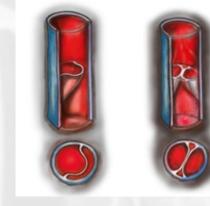


16 Fr Retrograde access, 1-3 autogenous valve pockets/stations with no implant in fem & pop vein





Cadaveric Monocuspid



Monocuspid & Bicuspid EVF Valves



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- Venous Valve Implantation
- FDA granted IDE approval to assess the safety and efficacy of the VenoValve for the treatment of patients with deep venous valvular insufficiency
- Prospective, non-blinded, single-arm, multicenter study
- 20 U.S. investigational sites
- 75 patient study
- CEAP Score: C4b C6 patients





# **Future Technology**





## Summary

- Post Thrombotic Syndrome can be caused by multiple etiologies including reflux in the deep system as well as by obstruction
- Deep Venous Insufficiency therapy is currently limited to wound care and compression
- Continued work on surgical repair, implantation and creation of valves will contribute to the treatment of this disease



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