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# DOENÇA TROMBOEMBÓLICA CRÓNICA

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# Classificação da Hipertensão Pulmonar

## 1. Hipertensão arterial pulmonar

- Idiopática
- Hereditária
- Drogas e toxinas
- Associada a  
doença do tecido conjuntivo  
HIV/SIDA  
hipertensão portal  
*shunt* sist-pulmon congénito  
schistosomíase  
anemia hemolítica crónica
- HP persistente do RN

## 1' DVO e/ou Hemangiomatose Capillar

## 2. HP por doença coração esquerdo

- Doença sistólica VE
- Doença diastólica VE
- Doença valvular

## 3. HP por doença pulmonar e/ou

- DPOC
- Doença pulmonar intersticial
- Outra doença pulmonar
- Patologia respiratória do sono
- Exposição crónica a elevada altitude

## 4. HP tromboembólica crónica

## 5. HP por mecanismo desconhecido ou multifactorial

- Doenças hematológicas
- Doenças sistémicas, sarcoidose
- Doenças metabólicas
- Outras

# AEIOU

Definição

Epidemiologia

Fisiopatologia

Diagnóstico

Tratamento



# Definição

≥ 3 meses anticoagulação oral

PAPm ≥ 25mmHg, PCWP <15 mmHg (HP pré-capilar)

+

1 ou mais defeitos de perfusão por múltiplos trombos organizados nas artérias pulmonares elásticas

# Epidemiologia

Incidência de TEP 20 por 100.000 habitantes

Doença tromboembólica crónica (DTEC) em 0.57-3.8% TEP

Incidência teórica anual 28 casos/milhão de habitantes?

1/3 doentes com DTEC sem episódio clínico agudo prévio de TEP → doença subdiagnosticada

Pengo V. Thromboembolic Pulmonary Hypertension Study Group.  
Incidence of chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension after pulmonary embolism. N Engl J Med 2004  
Becattini C. Incidence of chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension after a first episode of pulmonary embolism. Chest 2006

# Factores de risco

Esplenectomia

Neoplasia

Shunt ventriculo-auricular

Doença inflamatória intestinal

Terapêutica substituição tiroideia

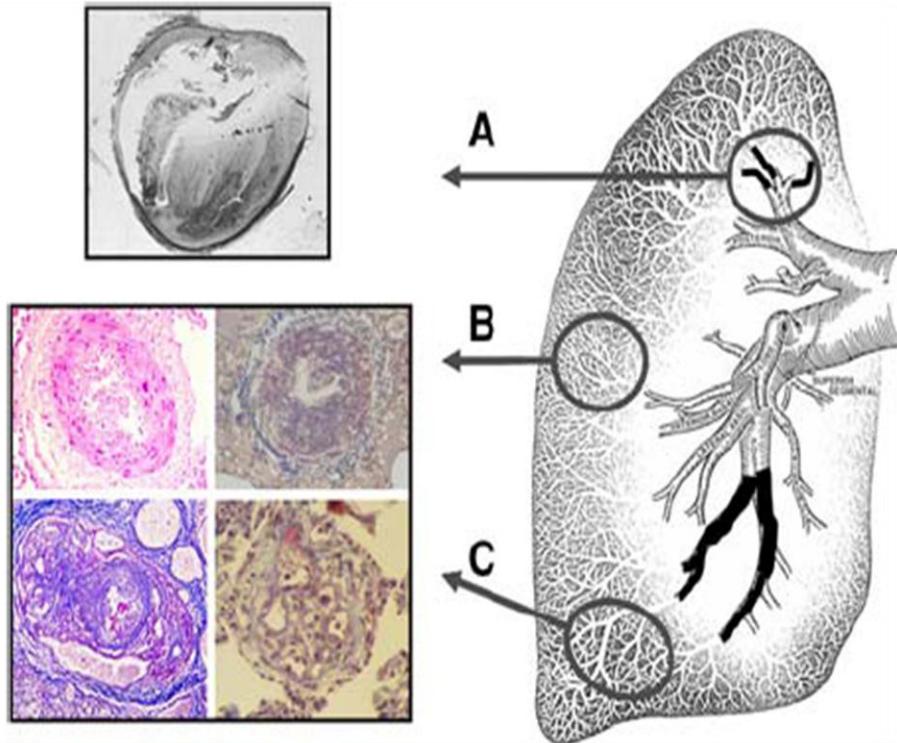
Síndroma Ac anti-fosfolípidico (20%)

Grupo sanguíneo não-O

PMD com infecção/ CVC implantado

Metha S, et al. Diagnostic evaluation and management of chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension: a clinical practice guideline. Can Resp J. 2010 Nov-Dec;17(6):301-34"

# Fisiopatologia



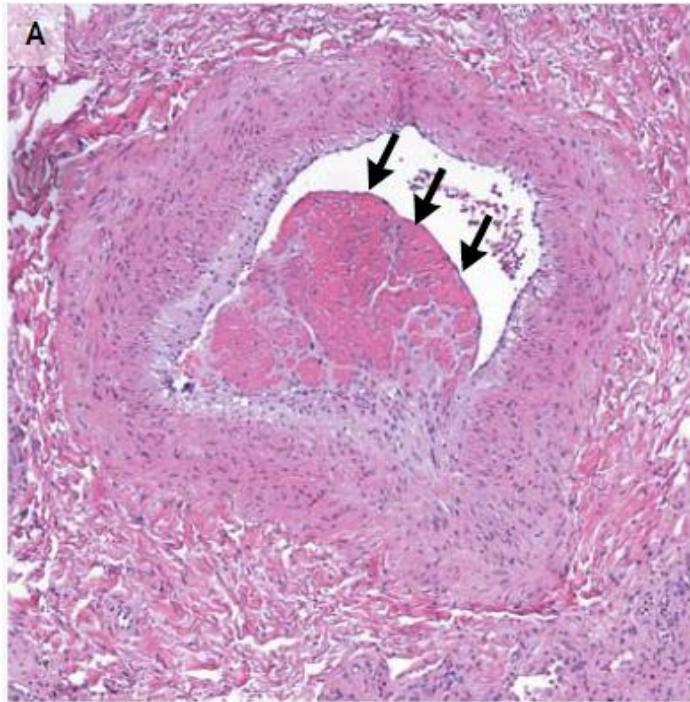
1. OBSTRUÇÃO EMBÓLICA DOS VASOS PULMONARES DE MAIOR CALIBRE  
Fibrinólise ineficaz (resolução trombótica incompleta e organização/endotelização do trombo)
  
2. ARTERIOPATIA DE PEQUENOS VASOS  
Trombose *in situ*  
Hipertrofia da média e hiperplasia da íntima  
Lesões plexiformes

Doença vascular pulmonar dupla

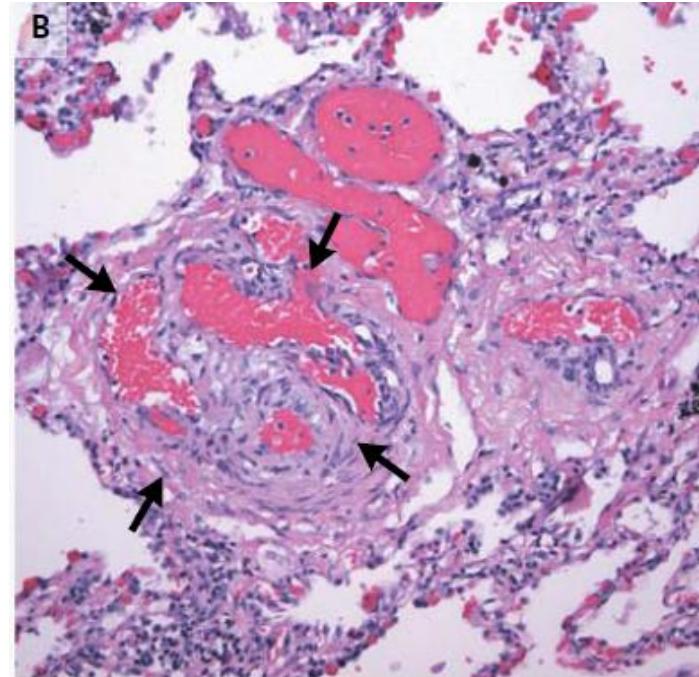
Piazza G, et al. CTEPH - Current Concepts. N Engl J Med 2011

Proc Am Thorac Soc 2006;3:564-7

# Histopatologia



Trombo organizado



Lesão plexiforme

# Diagnóstico

## 1. SUSPEITA

clínica

ecocardiográfica

imagingológica

## 2. CONFIRMAÇÃO

hemodinâmica

anatómica

### ALGORITMO SCAR

#### A. Suspect

- Echocardiogram
- VQ scan

#### B. Confirm

- Right heart catheterization
- Angiogram (or CTPA, MRA)

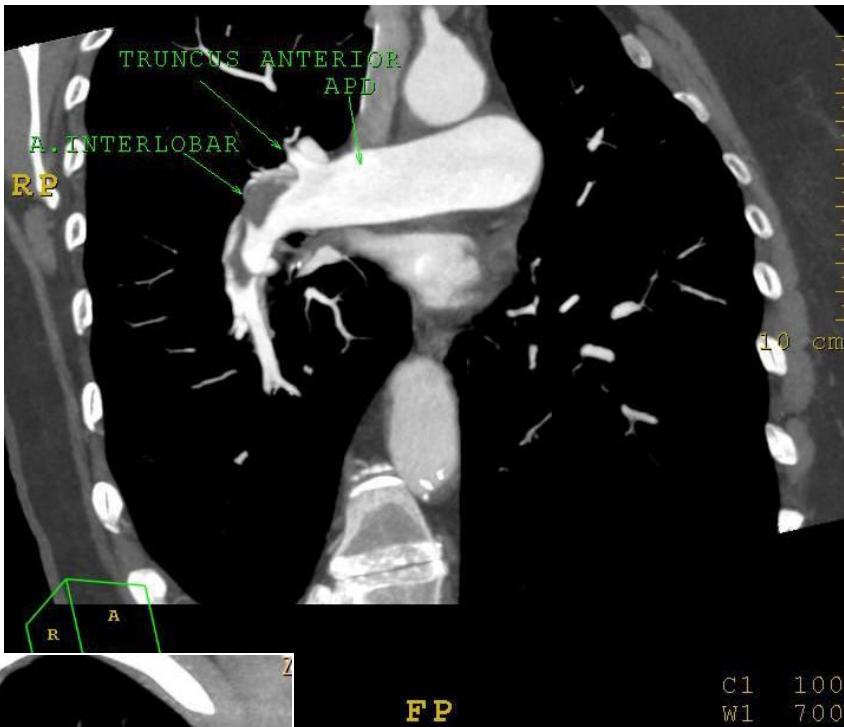
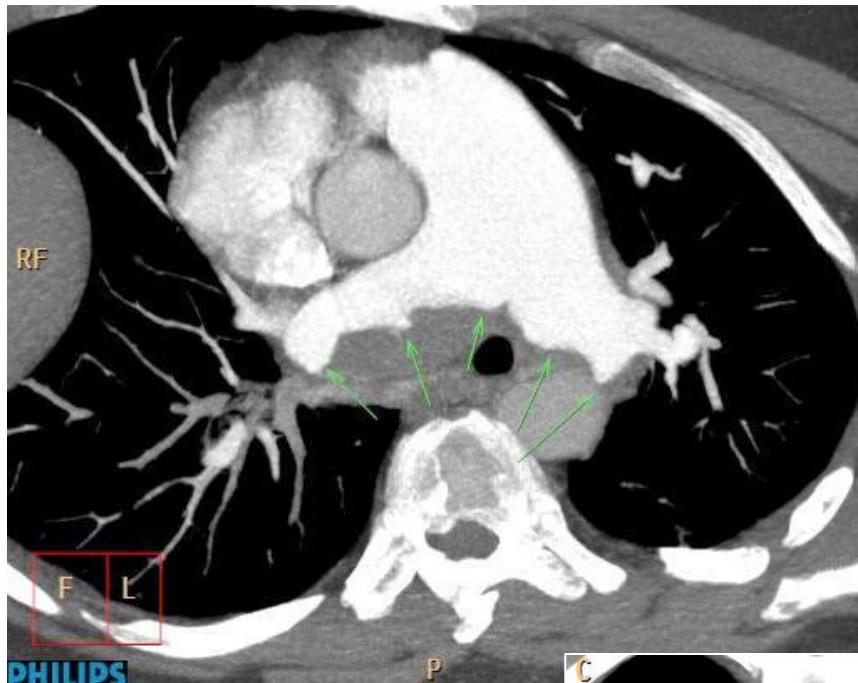
#### C. Assess Risk

- Hemodynamics
- Comorbidities
- Surgeon/CTEPH team experience

# Diagnóstico

As diferentes técnicas de imagem são complementares:

- Cintigrafia de V/Q pulmonar recomendada para screening (sensibilidade superior a angio-TC) e se normal exclui DTEC
- Angiografia pulmonar “gold standard” (recurso mais importante para avaliação de operabilidade)
- AngioTC MS e angioRM podem vir a ser superiores às técnicas convencionais na avaliação da DTEC

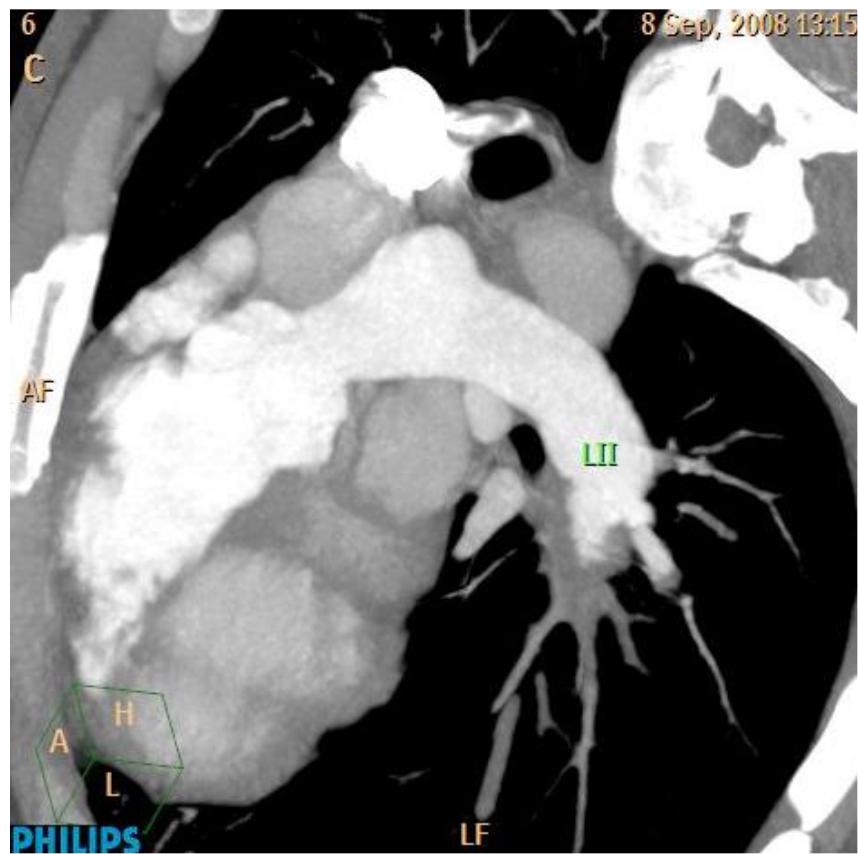
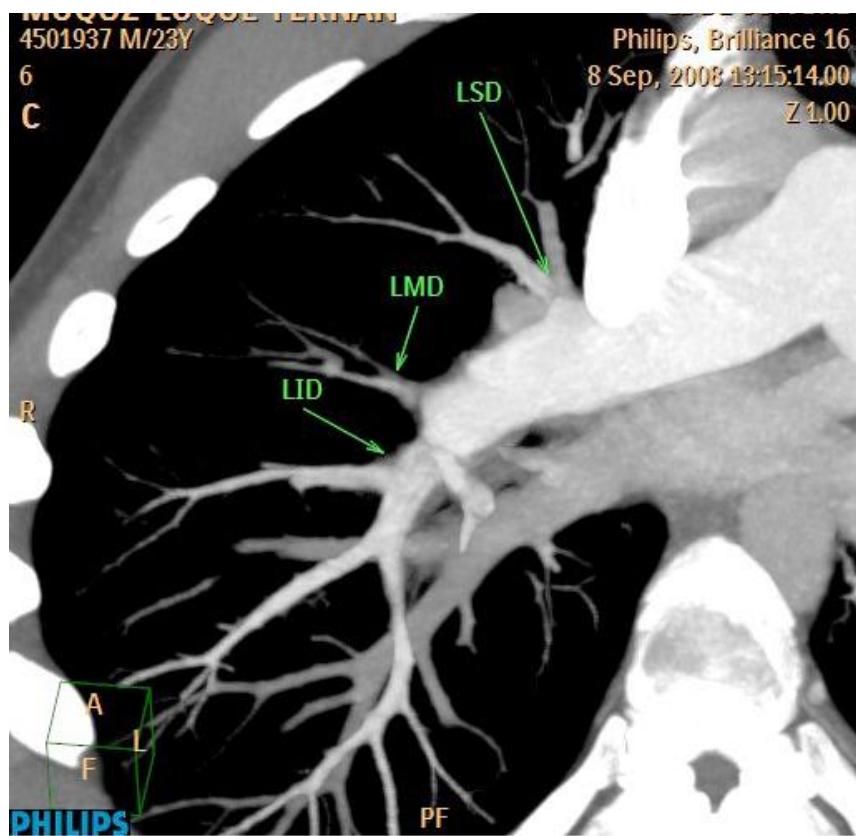


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# Tratamento

## MEDIDAS GERAIS

Correcção de hipoxémia

Anticoagulação oral

Diuréticos

Digoxina ?

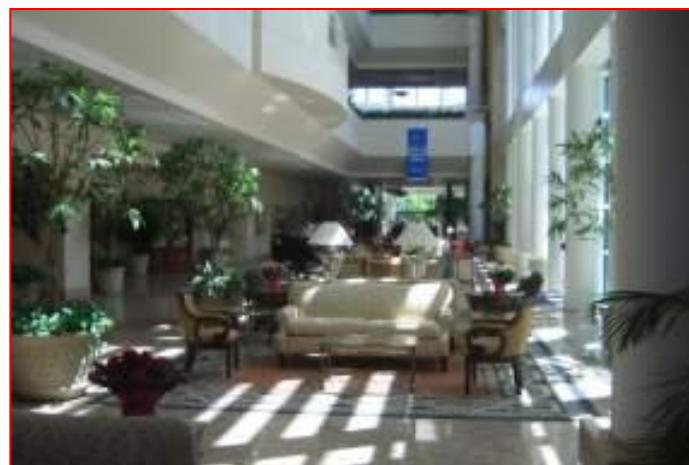
Filtro veia cava inferior ?

## TRATAMENTO DIRIGIDO

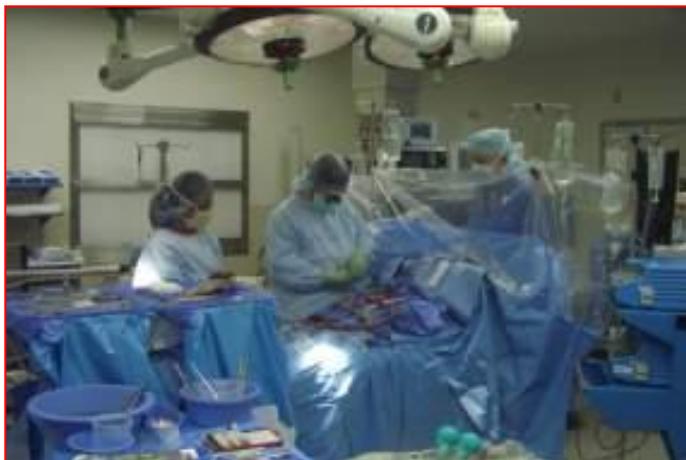
Curativo/ potencialmente curativo → normalização hemodinâmica e recuperação funcional

Paliativo/ vasodilatador específico → melhoria da qualidade de vida

# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY



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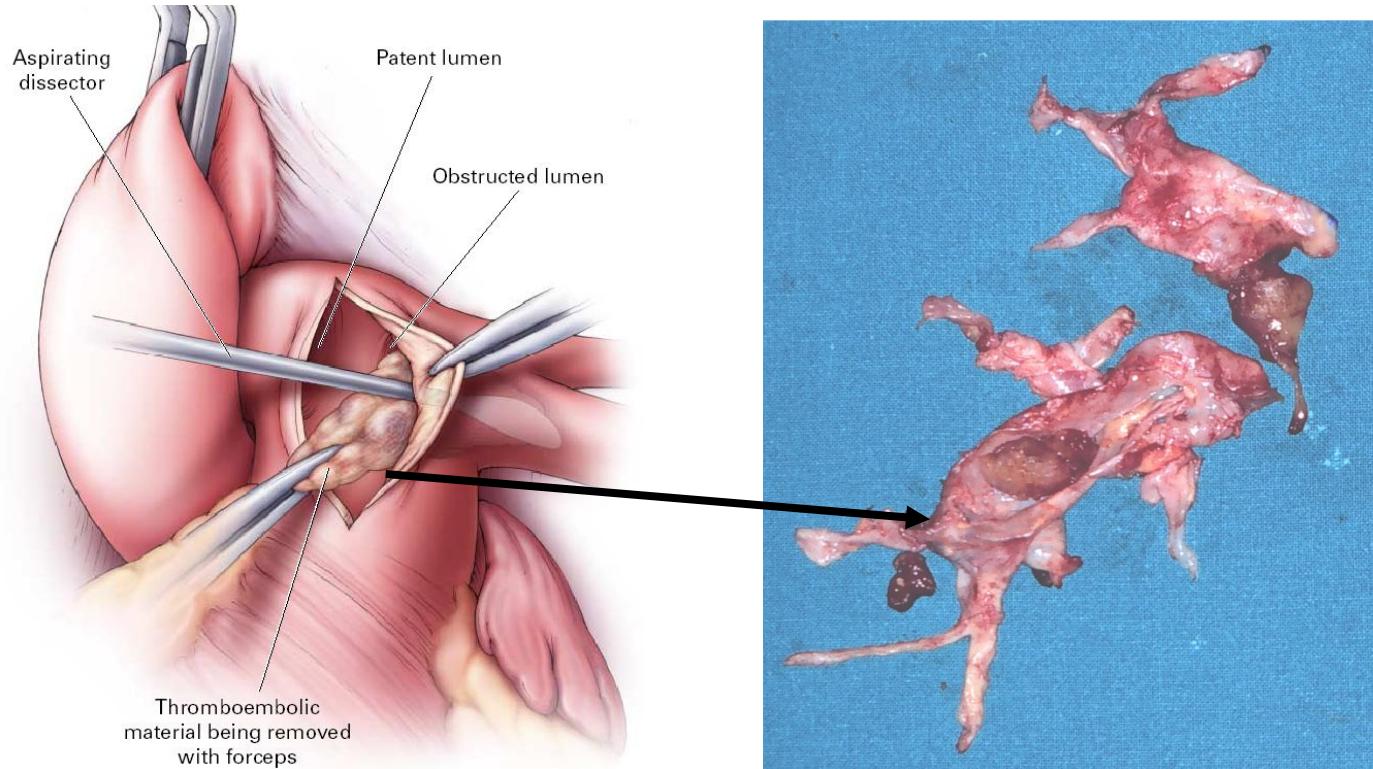
# Tromboendarterectomia Pulmonar

- Curativa/ potencialmente curativa → abordagem terapêutica ***gold standard***
- > 5000 procedimentos
- Mortalidade peri-operatória (30d) **4-7%**
- Melhoria clínica, ecocardiográfica e hemodinâmica imediata (redução 70% RVP)
- Normalização/ melhoria substancial das trocas gasosas, FVD, capacidade funcional e qualidade de vida
- HTP residual pós EAP (5-35%)

# Princípios Orientadores da EAP

- Doença bilateral → endarterectomia bilateral (esternotomia mediana)
- Paragem circulatória para visibilidade perfeita e endarterectomia completa bilateral
- Paragem circulatória limitada a períodos de 20 min, com restauração de fluxo entre cada paragem de 20min (cirurgião experiente – 20min/pulmão)
- Bypass cardiopulmonar e hipotermia profunda para permitir paragem circulatória
- Verdadeira endarterectomia → plano de dissecção ao nível da média desde tronco proximal até aos vasos distais

# Tromboendarterectomia Pulmonar

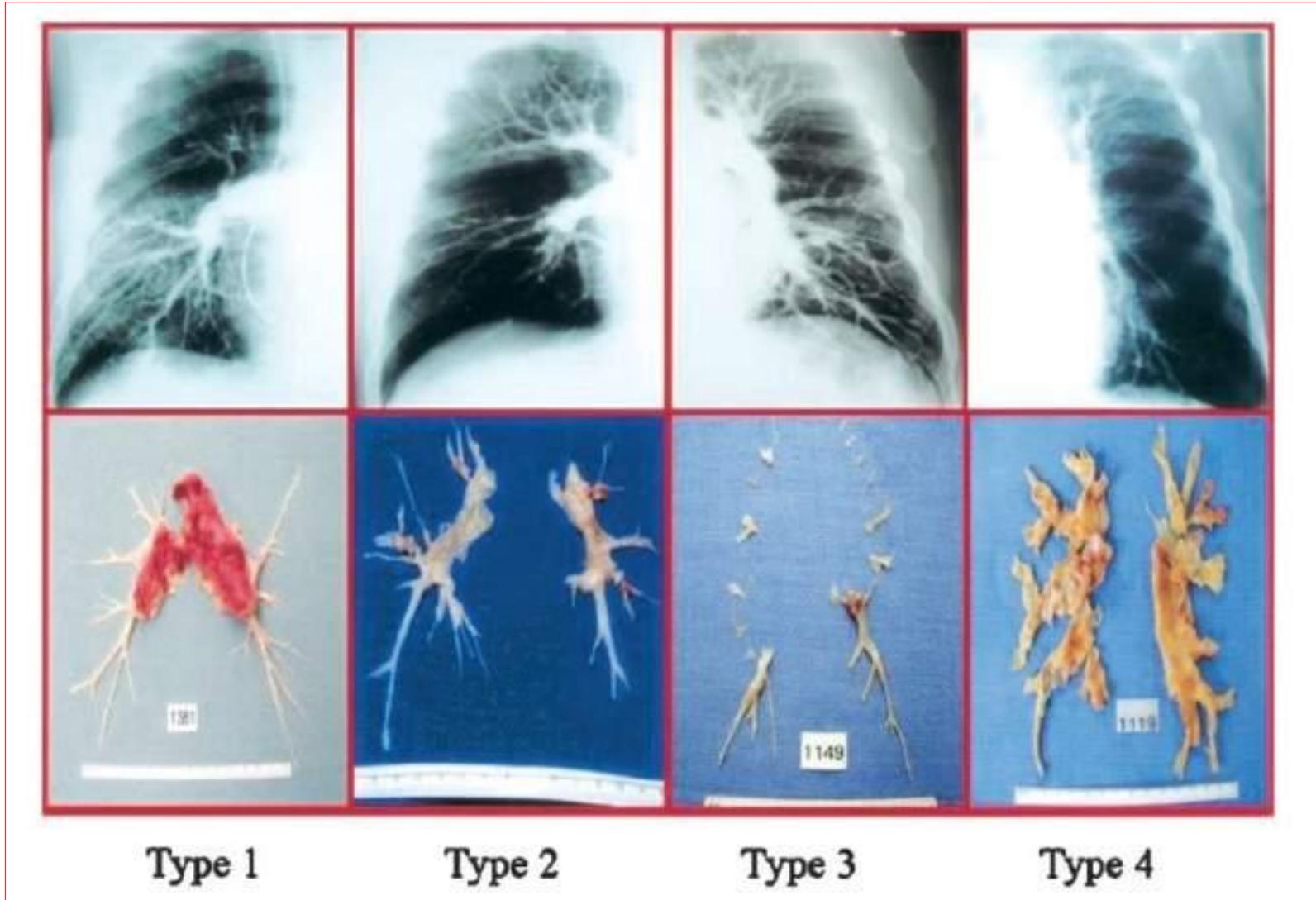


**Opção terapêutica de primeira linha na doença tromboembólica crónica**



# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY

## UCSD OPERATIVE CLASSIFICATION



# Tratamento

Tromboendarterectomia pulmonar

Critérios de selecção

Classe funcional II, III e IV

RVP pré operatória > 300 dyn-seg-cm<sup>5</sup>

Acessibilidade cirúrgica (artérias principais, lobares, segmentares proximais)

Ausência de comorbilidades significativas

Consentimento do doente

# Tratamento

Tromboendarterectomia pulmonar

Contraindicações

Doença de pequenos vasos (doença distal)

Redução pós-operatória esperada RVP < 50%

Risco operatório inaceitável

# Tratamento

Operável →  
tromboendarterectomia  
pulmonar

Não operável/ HP residual  
→ vasodilatador pulmonar  
específico

- Cirurgia contra-indicada/  
doente não operável  
(European CTEPH registry  
36.6%)
- HP persistente ou residual  
pós tromboendarterectomia  
(30%)
- Ponte optimização para  
cirurgia?

# Tratamento Médico HAP/DTEC

INITIAL THERAPY WITH PAH APPROVED DRUGS				
Recommendation	Evidence*	WHO-FC II	WHO-FC III	WHO-FC IV
I	A or B	Ambrisentan Bosentan <b>Macitentan†‡</b> Riociguat† Sildenafil Tadalafil	Ambrisentan Bosentan <b>Epoprostenol i.v.</b> Iloprost inhaled <b>Macitentan†‡</b> Riociguat† Sildenafil Tadalafil Treprostinil s.c., inhaled†	<b>Epoprostenol i.v.</b>
IIa	C		Iloprost i.v. † Treprostinil i.v.	Ambrisentan, Bosentan Iloprost inhaled and i.v.† <b>Macitentan†‡</b> Riociguat† Sildenafil, Tadalafil Treprostinil s.c., i.v., Inhaled†
IIb	B		<b>Beraprost†</b>	
	C		Initial Combination Therapy	Initial Combination Therapy

# Tratamento Médico DTEC

## Indicação terapêutica

- Riociguat (Adempas®) → 1º fármaco aprovado com esta indicação
- Potenciador da guanilato ciclase solúvel (mecanismo de acção independente da disponibilidade de NO)
- CHEST 1/CHEST 2 → Classe de recomendação I/ Nível de evidência A ou B

## *Off-label*

- Inibidores da fosfodiesterase-5 (sildenafil, tadalafil)
- Antagonistas do receptor da endotelina (bosentano, ambrisentano)
- Prostanóides (iloprost, treprostinal, epoprostenol)

# CHEST-1

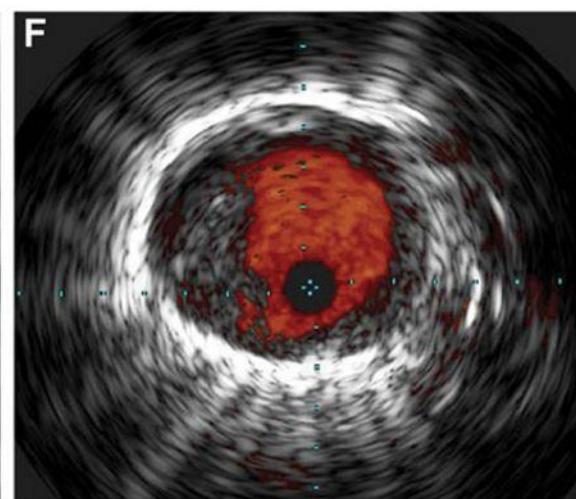
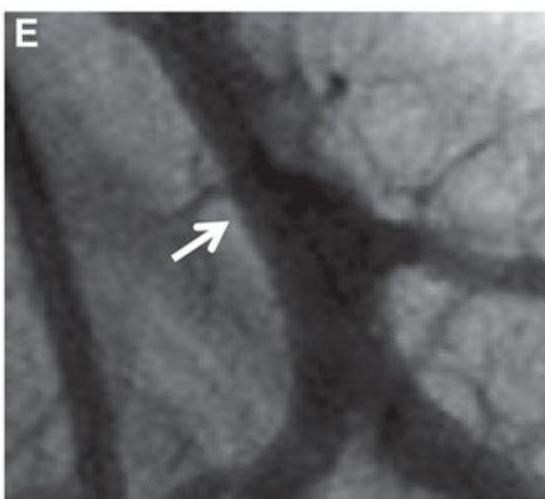
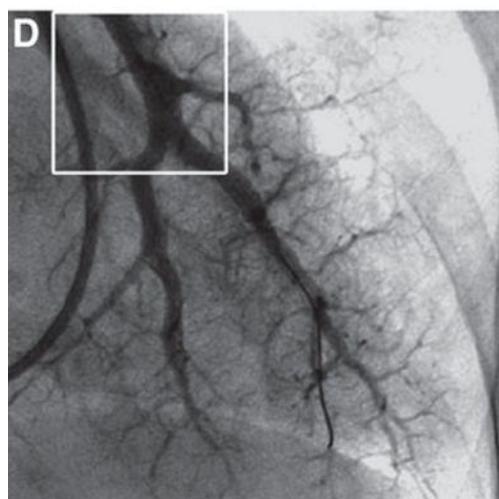
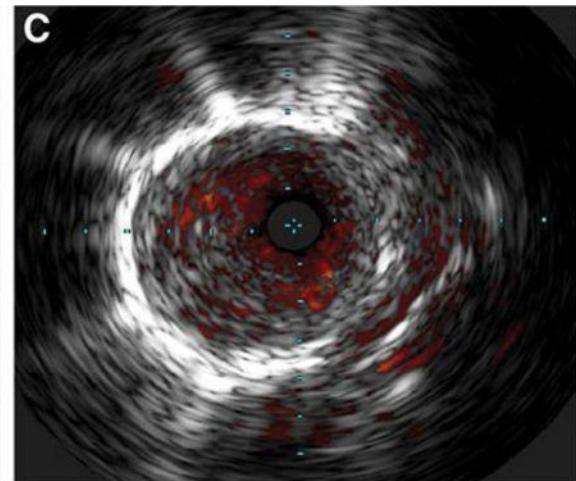
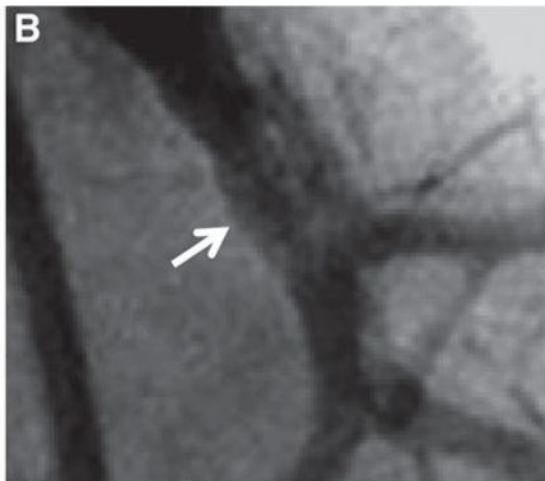
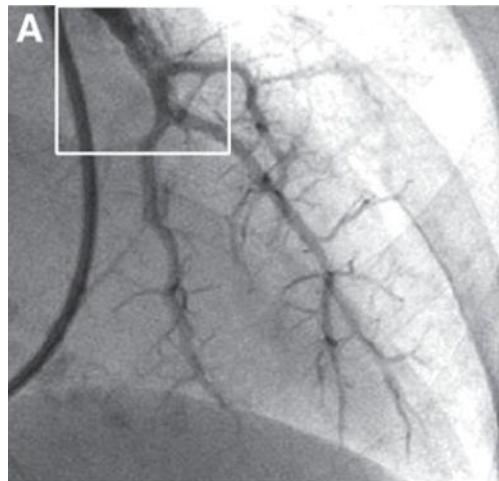
- Age 18–80 years
- Patients with inoperable CTEPH (WHO Group 4, independently assessed) or persistent/recurrent PH after PEA
- CTEPH was diagnosed using 2 or more of the following imaging methods: VQ scan, pulmonary angiogram, spiral CT, MRI
- 6MWD at baseline 150–450 m
- PVR >300 dyn·sec·cm<sup>-5</sup> and mPAP ≥25 mmHg
- Patients were excluded from the study if they had received treatment with ERAs, prostacyclin analogs, PDE5is, and/or
- NO donors within 3 months prior to study entry

# Angioplastia?

Não operável →  
angioplastia por balão?

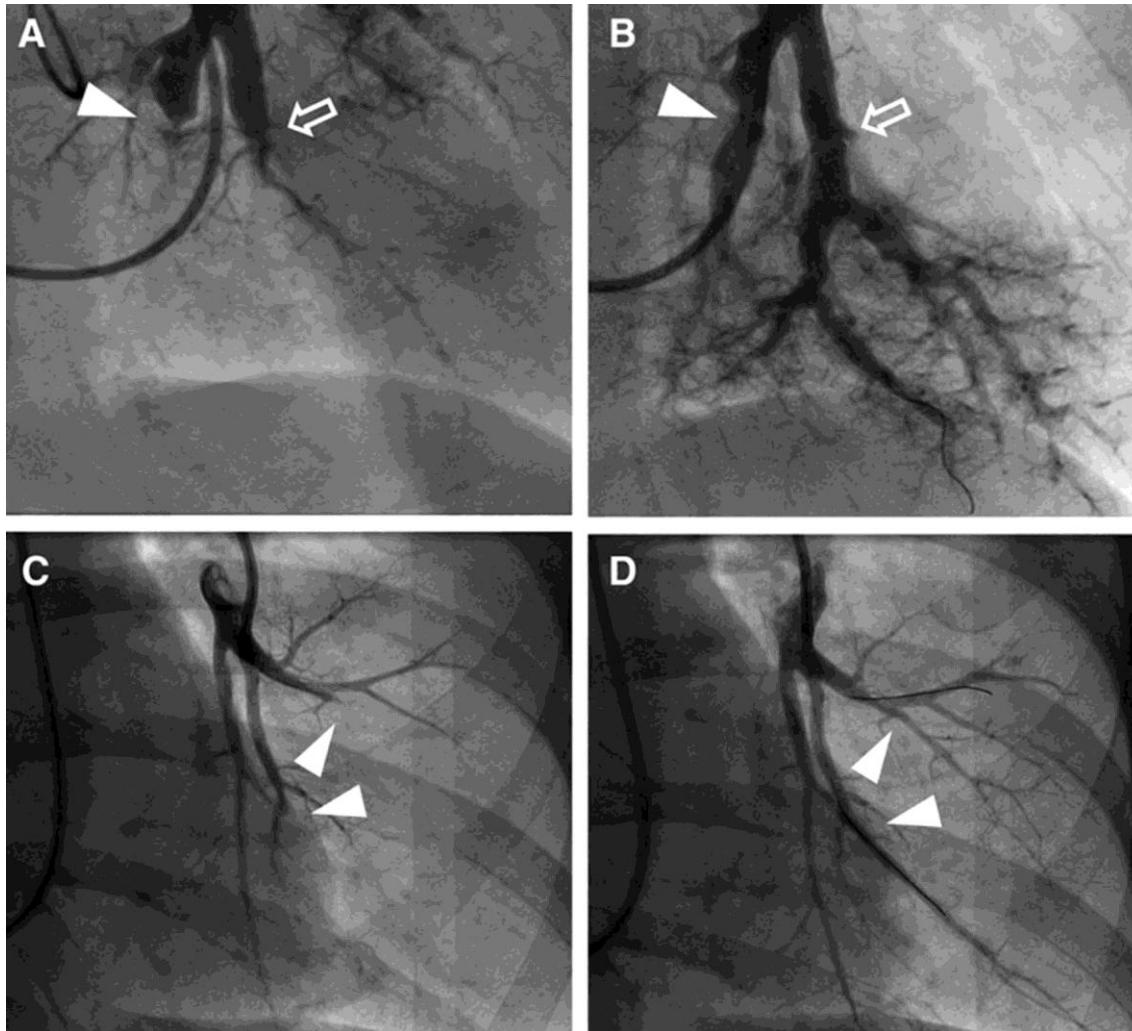
- Doença distal cirurgicamente inacessível
- HP persistente ou recorrente após EAP
- Experiência limitada

**Representative angiographic and intravascular ultrasound (IVUS) images of balloon pulmonary angioplasty (BPA).**



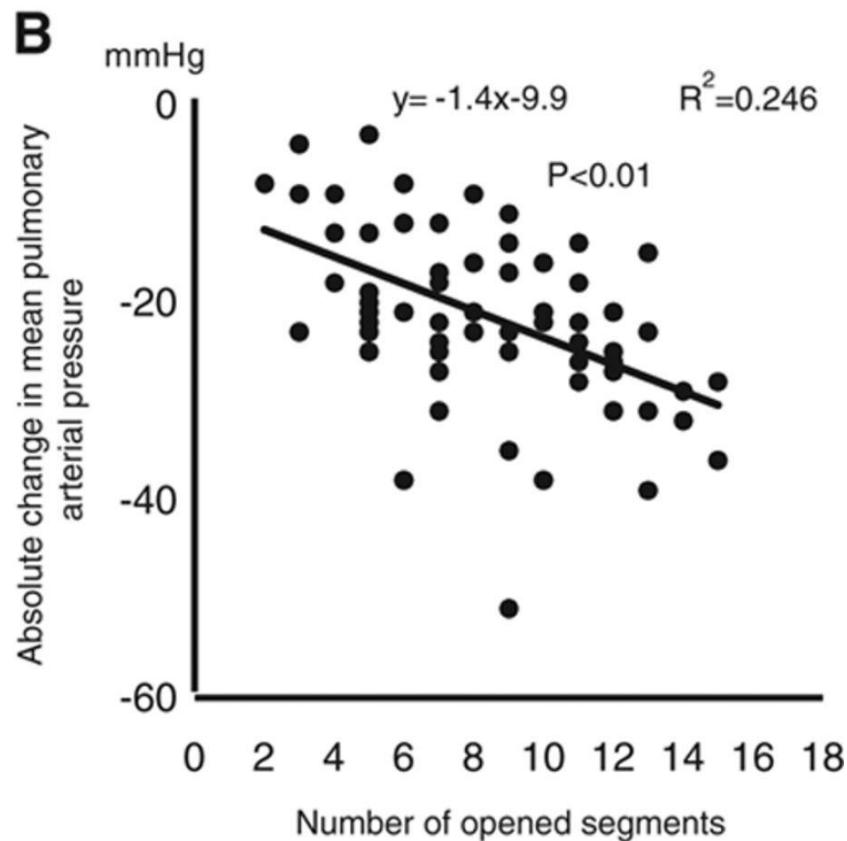
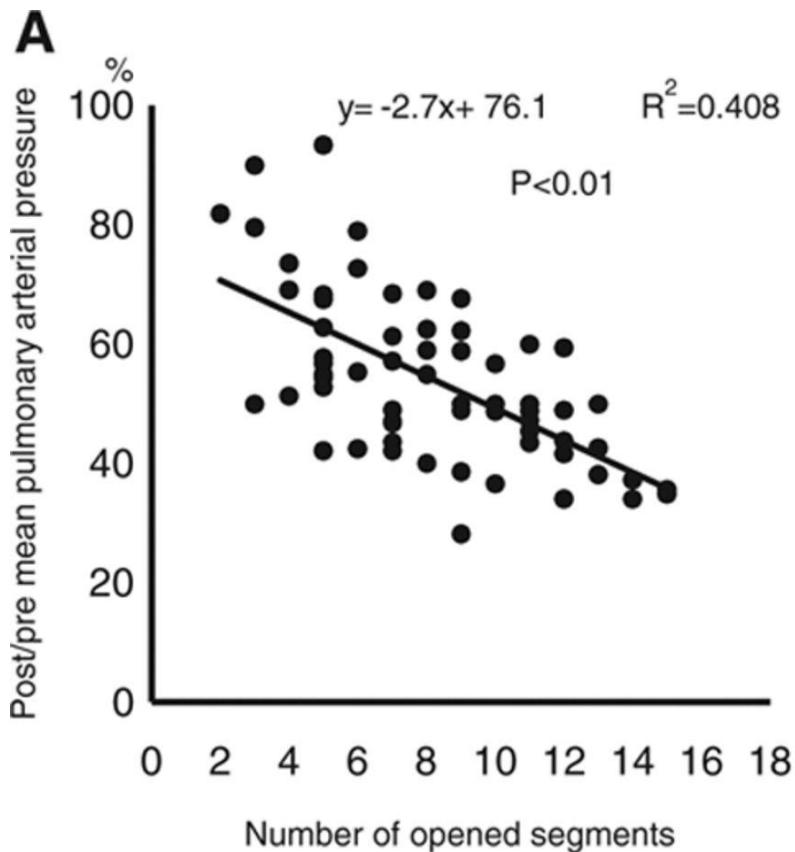
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## Representative pulmonary angiograms before and after balloon pulmonary angioplasty (BPA).



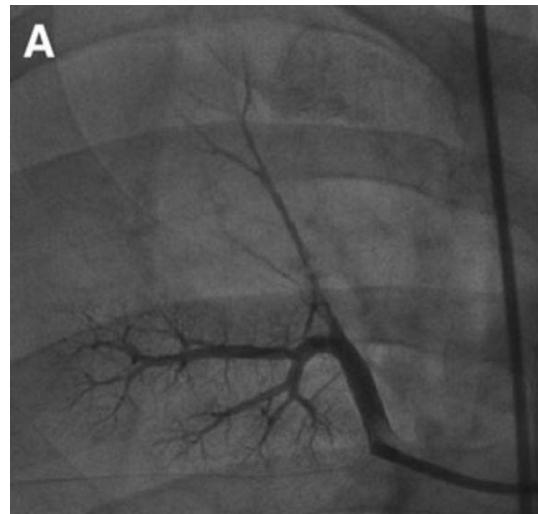
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## Correlation between the number of opened segments and the decrease in mean pulmonary arterial pressure.

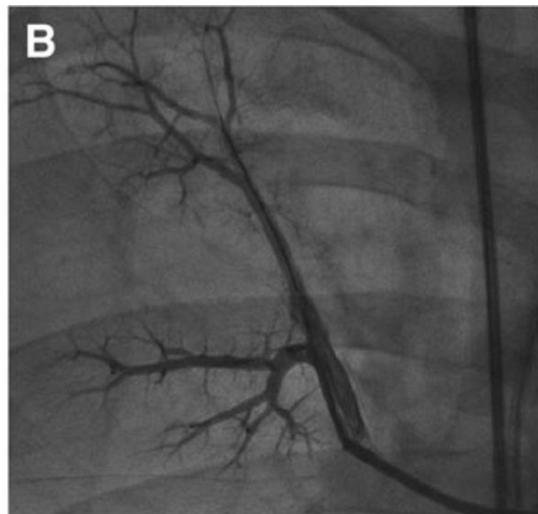


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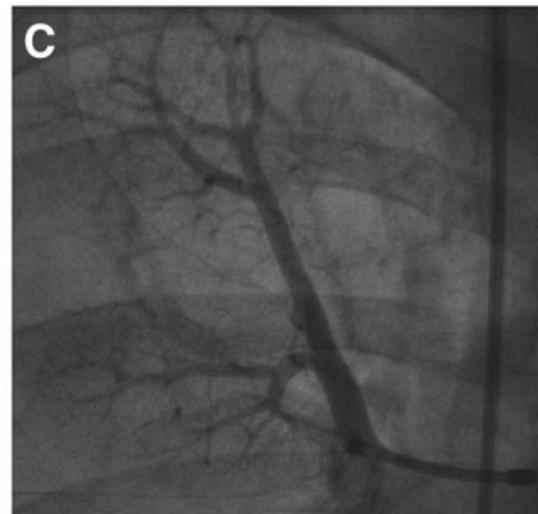
**Representative pulmonary angiograms before balloon pulmonary angioplasty (BPA), after BPA, and at follow-up.**



Before  
(epoprostenol 5 ng/kg/min)



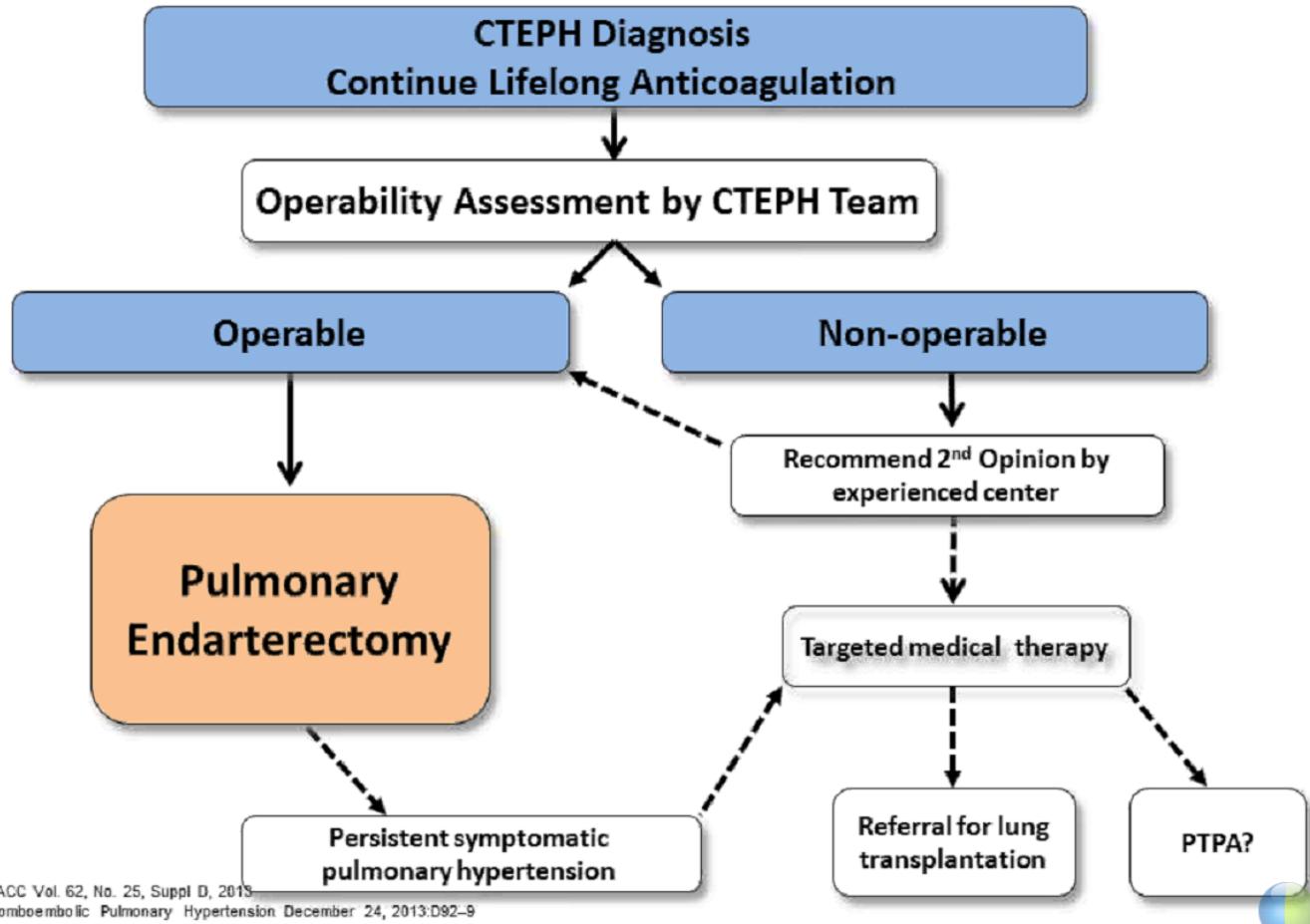
After  
(epoprostenol 5 ng/kg/min)



Follow  
(epoprostenol free)

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# ALGORITMO DE TRATAMENTO DTEC



Kim et al. JACC Vol. 62, No. 25, Suppl D, 2013  
Chronic Thromboembolic Pulmonary Hypertension December 24, 2013:D92–9



# Unidade de Hipertensão Pulmonar Hospital Garcia de Orta

10 doentes operados

- 7 doentes “curados”
- 3 doentes HP residual sob terapêutica

6 doentes recusados  
motivo de recusa

- 4 doentes anatomia desfavorável »  
doença distal
- 2 doentes risco > benefício

3 doentes elegíveis  
recusam EAP

- sob terapêutica vasodilatadora pulmonar



or-a P / PULMONARY ENDARTERECTOMY NUMBER 1040



PULMONARY ENDARTERECTOMY NUMBER 1074



Are P / PULMONARY ENDARTECTOMY NUMBER 1066

# Conclusões

Incidência de DTEC não negligenciável (rastreio em doentes sintomáticos pós TEP)

Mortalidade elevada sem tratamento

Tromboendarterectomia pulmonar curativa

Terapêutica vasodilatadora pulmonar

Angioplastia por balão?

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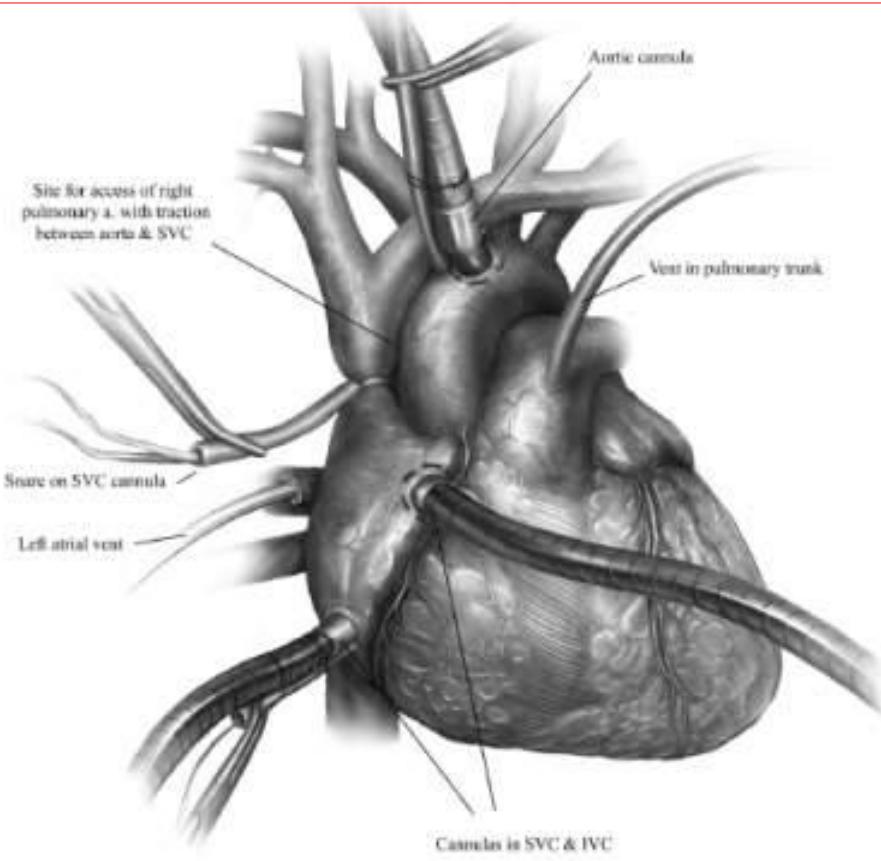
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# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY

## SURGICAL TECHNIQUE

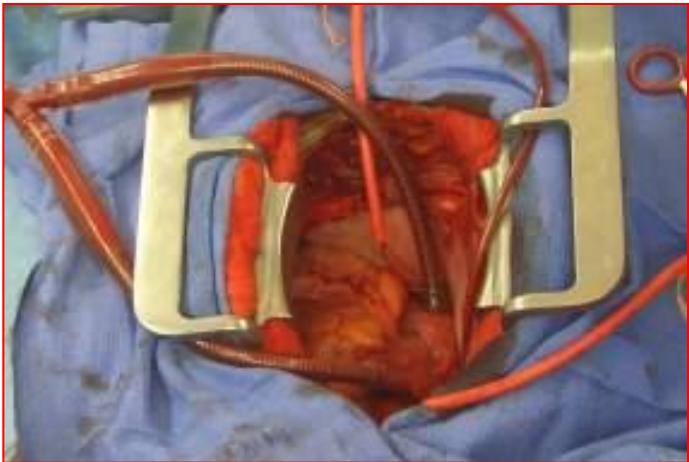


- AORTIC AND BICAVAL CANNULATION
- PULMONARY ARTERY VENT
- COOLING CORE TEMPERATURE 20 ° C
- LEFT VENTRICULAR VENT
- AORTIC CROSS CLAMP
- MYOCARDIAL PROTECTION
- SNARING IVC - SVC



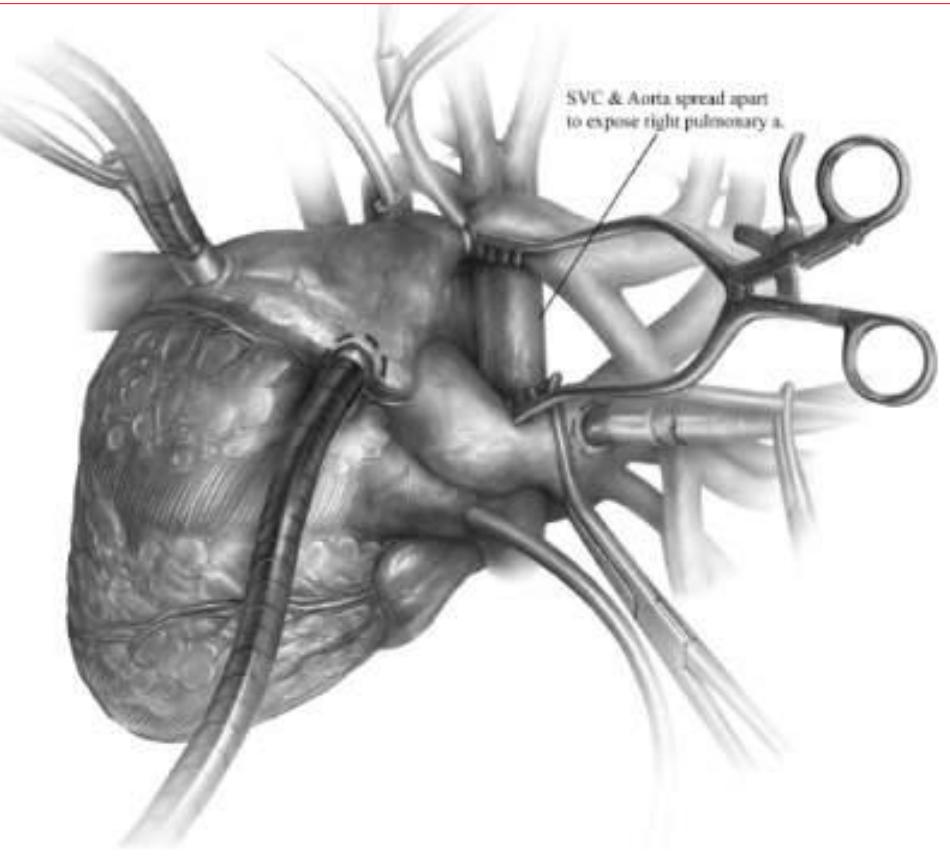
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## SURGICAL TECHNIQUE: SET-UP



# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY

## SURGICAL TECHNIQUE

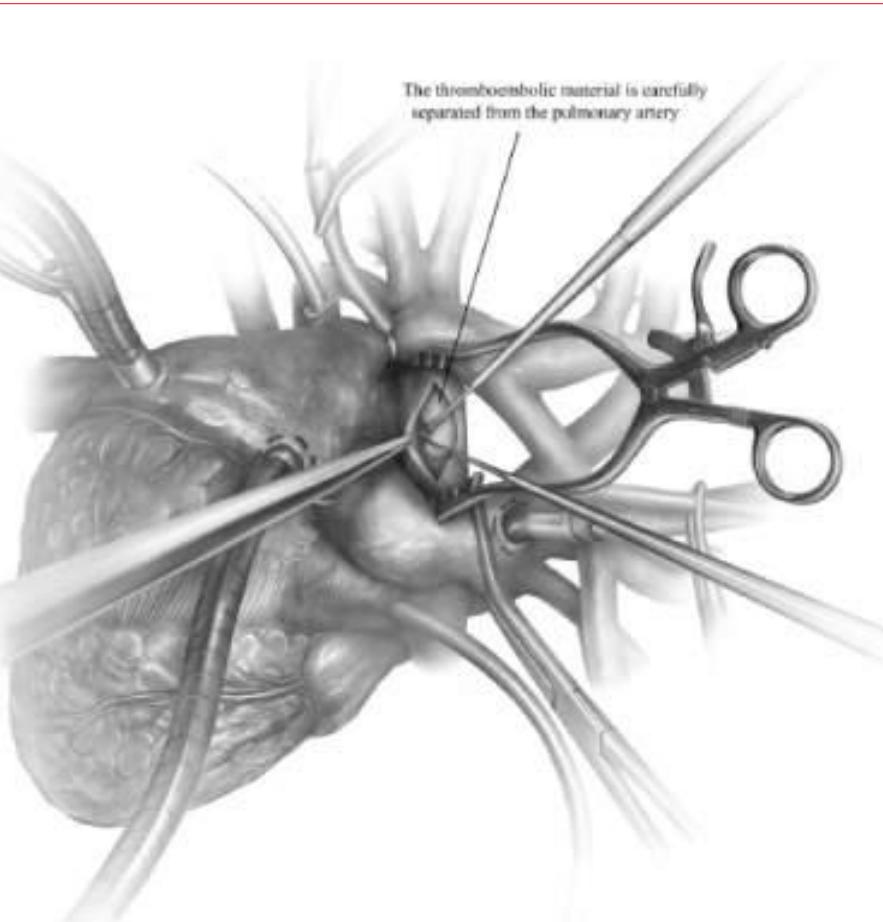


- START FIRST WITH THE RIGHT PULMONARY ARTERY THEN THE LEFT.
- FULLY MOBILIZATION OF SVC AND RIGHT PULMONARY ARTERY WITH MODIFIED CEREBRAL RETRCTOR
- DO NOT ENTER THE PLEURAL SPACE



# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY

## SURGICAL TECHNIQUE: RIGHT PULMONARY ARTERY (PA)



- INCISION OF THE RIGHT PULMONARY ARTERY



- EMBOLECTOMY (IN MOST PATIENTS NO OBVIOUS EMBOLIC MATERIAL)

- ENDARTERECTOMY(BETWEEN INTIMA AND MEDIA) WITH EVERSION TECHNIQUE



- AREA OF FULL THICKNESS NEXT TO INCISION FOR CLOSURE

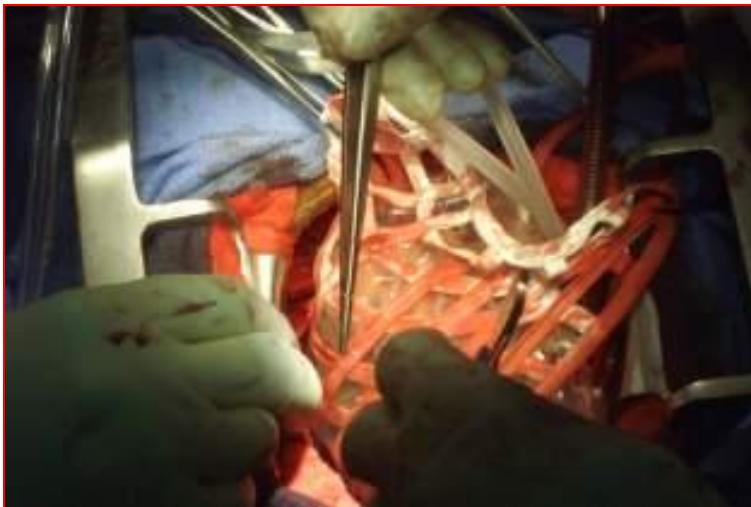


- PERFECT VISIBILITY WITH DEEP HYPOTHERMIC CIRCULATORY ARREST (15 min. FOR EACH SIDE)



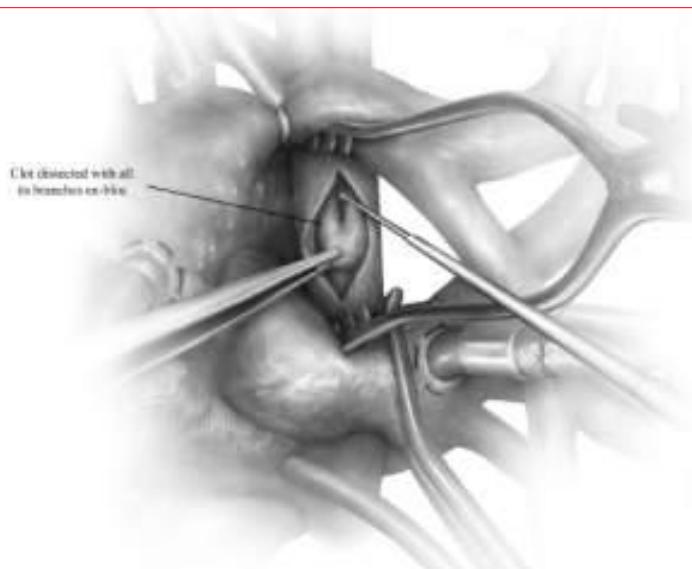
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## SURGICAL TECHNIQUE: INSTRUMENTS

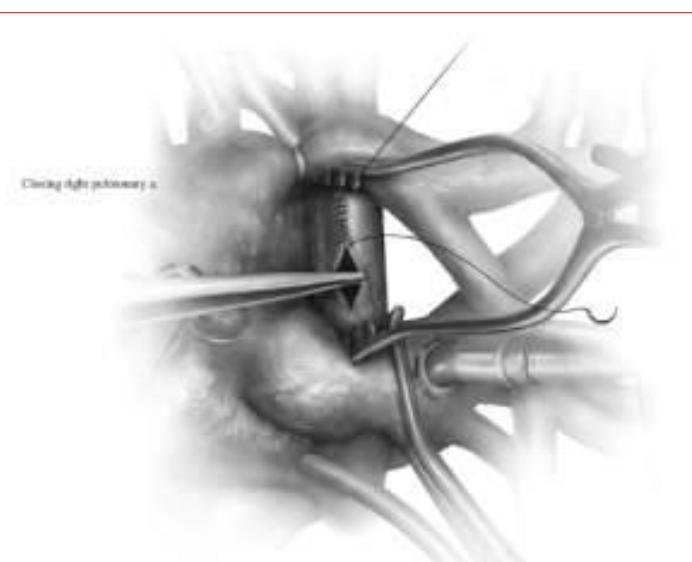


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## SURGICAL TECHNIQUE: RIGHT PA

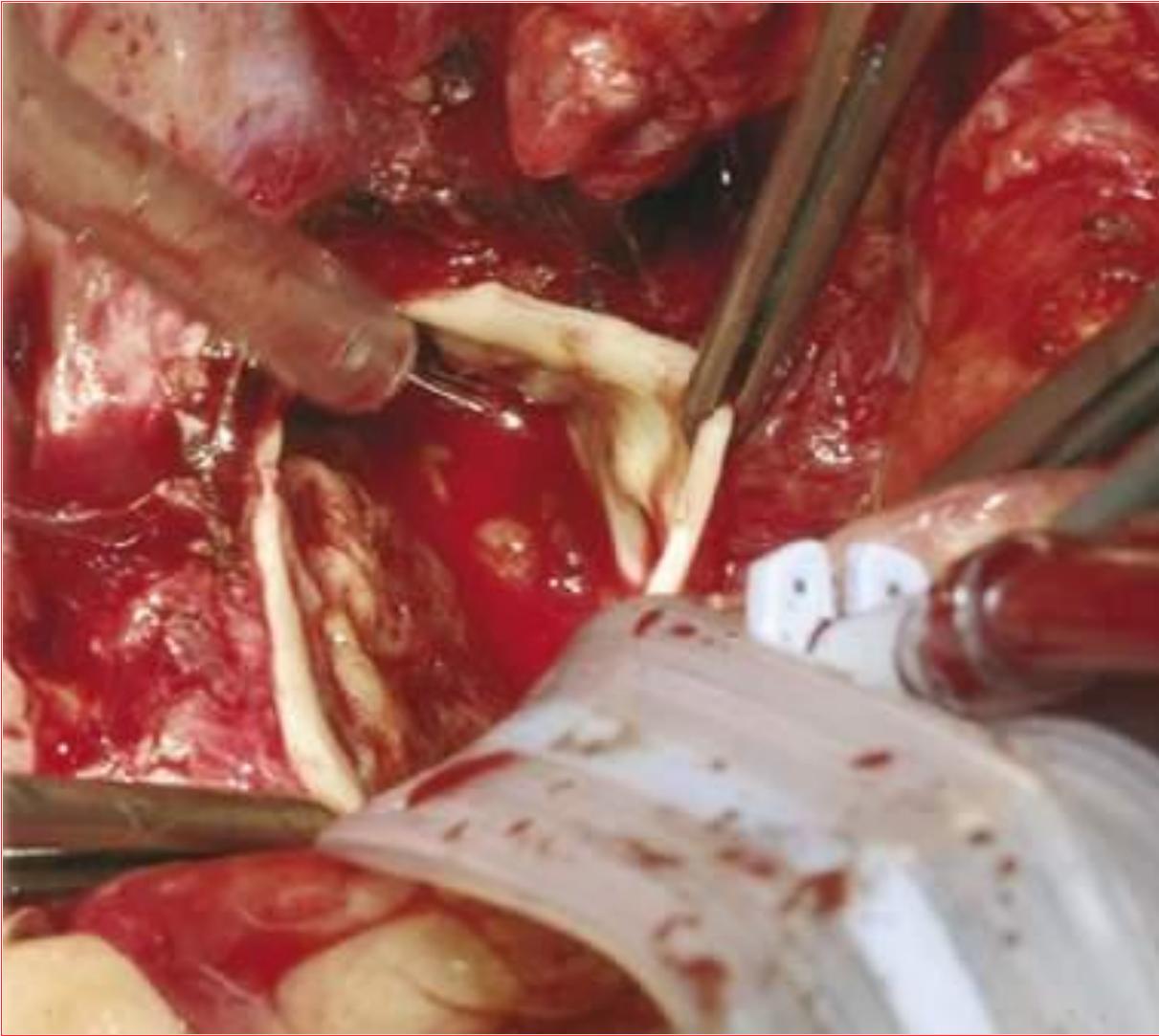


- PLANE FOLLOWED AND FREED UNTIL IT ENDS IN A “TAIL”  
↓
- A PERFORATION IN SUBSEGMENTAL BRANCHES BECOMES COMPLETELY INACCESSIBLE AND INVISIBLE LATER  
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- ARTERIOTOMY REPAIRED WITH A CONTINUOUS 6/0 POLYPROPYLENE SUTURE  
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- HEMOSTASIS  
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- CIRCULATION TEMPORARILY RESTARTED  
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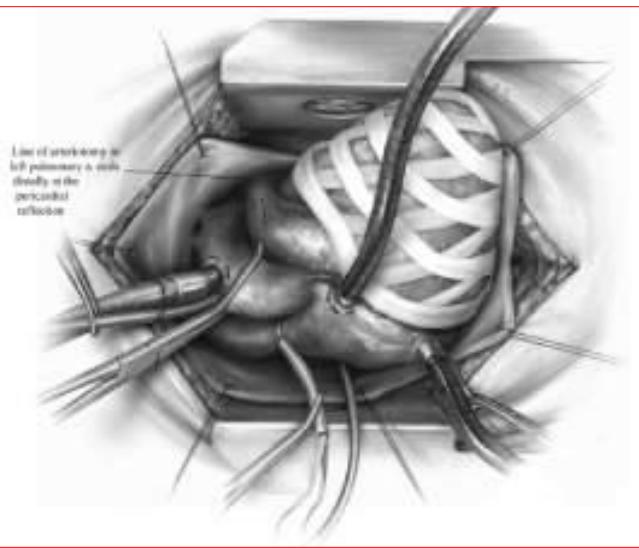
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## *SURGICAL TECHNIQUE: RIGHT PA*



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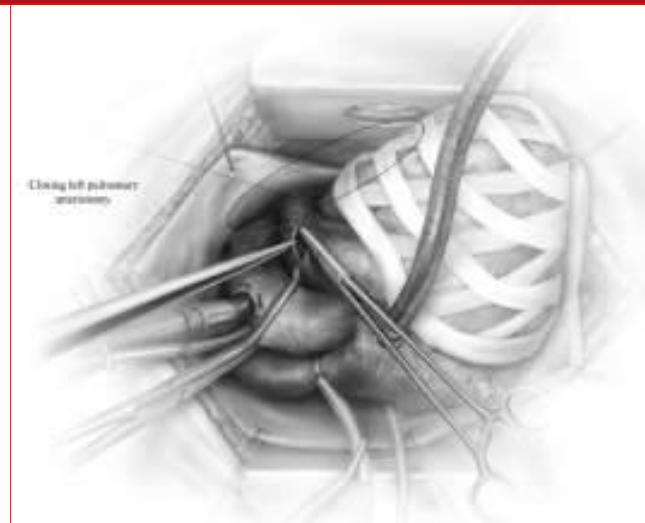
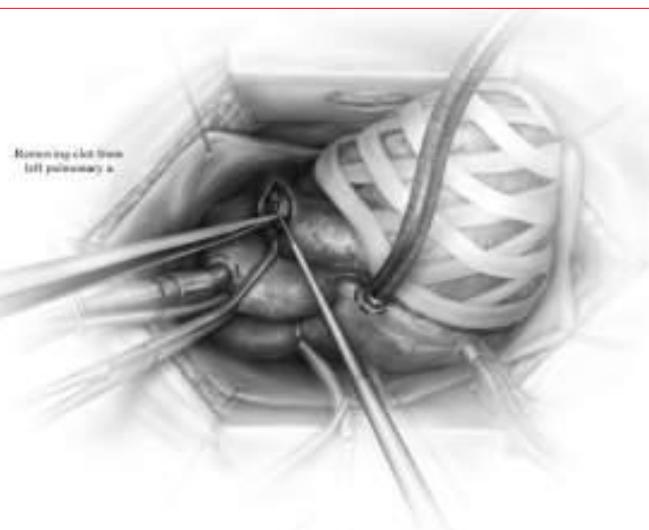


- SAME PRINCIPLES AS FOR THE RIGHT PA

- ARTERIOTOMY FROM THE SITE OF VENT HOLE TO THE PERICARDIAL REFLECTION

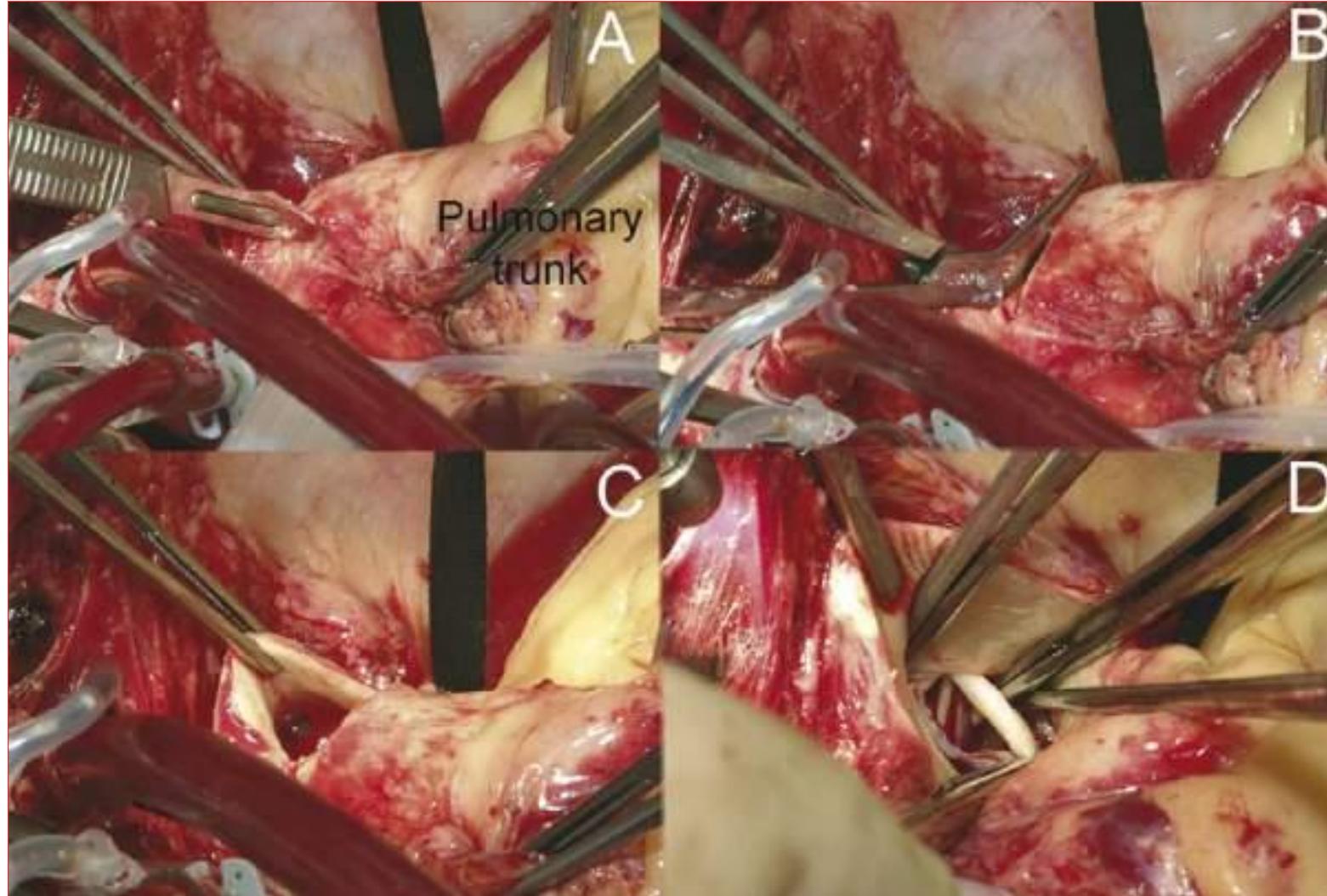
- HEART WRAPPED AND REFLECTED USING A MESH-LIKE BASKET RETRCTOR

- REWARMING (90-120 min.) AND WEANING FROM CPB



# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY

## SURGICAL TECHNIQUE: LEFT PA



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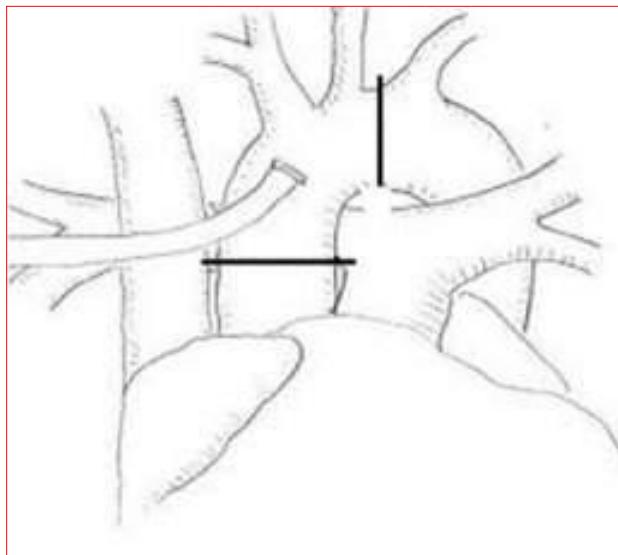
## ALTERNATIVE SURGICAL TECHNIQUES

- DOUBLE CLAMP TECHNIQUE
- MODERATE HYPOTHERMIA AND SHORT PERIOD OF CIRCULATORY ARREST WITHOUT THE NEED OF PROFOUND HYPOTHERMIA
- DOUBLE VENTING
- SIMULTANEOUS SELECTIVE ANTEGRADE CEREBRAL PERFUSION
- OCCLUSION OF THE BRONCHIAL ARTERIES WITH AN OCCLUSIVE BALLOON CATHETER INTO DESCENDING AORTA

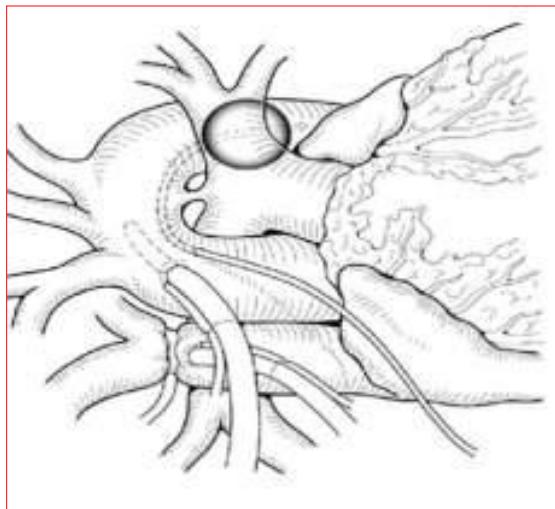


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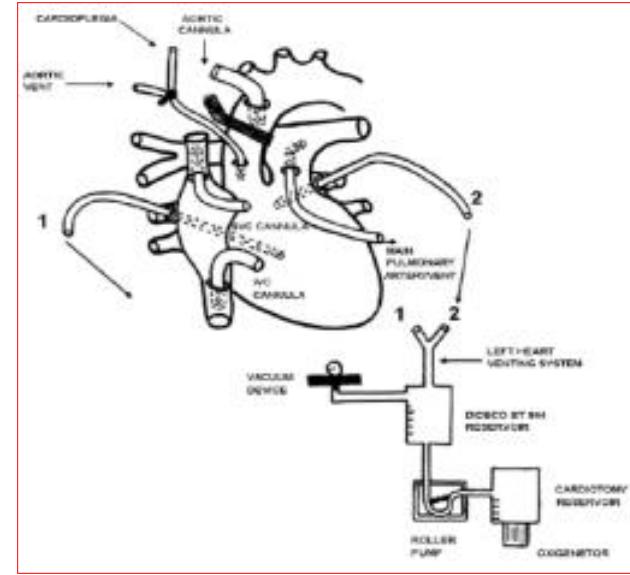
## ALTERNATIVE SURGICAL TECHNIQUES



DOUBLE CLAMP TECHNIQUE



OCCLUSIVE BALLOON CATHETER



DOUBLE VENT TECHNIQUE



# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY

## POSTOPERATIVE CARE

- DEMANDING POSTOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT

1. MECHANICALLY VENTILATION FOR AT LEAST 24 HOURS
2. EXTUBATION ON THE FIRST POSTOPERATIVE DAY WHENEVER POSSIBLE
3. HIGHER TIDAL VOLUMES MINUTE VENTILATION THAN AFTER CONVENTIONAL CARDIAC SURGERY
4. MAINTAINED DIURESIS (PATIENT PREOPERATIVE WEIGHT WITHIN 24 HOURS)
5. MINIMIZE FLUID ADMINISTRATION
6. HEMATOCRIT LEVEL ABOVE 30%

- POSTOPERATIVE VENOUS THROMBOSIS PROPHYLAXIS

1. INTERMITTENT PNEUMATIC COMPRESSION DEVICES
2. SUBCUTANEOUS HEPARIN ON THE EVENING OF SURGERY
3. ANTICOAGULATION WITH A TARGET INR OF 2,5 TO 3



# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY

## POSTOPERATIVE CARE: VENOUS THROMBOSIS PROPHYLAXIS



# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY

## COMPLICATIONS

- **PERSISTENT PULMONARY HYPERTENSION**

1. SODIUM NITROPRUSSIDE, EPOPROSTENOL OR INHALED NO ARE GENERALLY NOT EFFECTIVE
2. MECHANICAL CIRCULATORY SUPPORT OR EXTRACORPOREAL MEMBRANE OXIGENATOR (ECMO) USE NOT APPROPRIATE

- **REPERFUSION INJURY: LOCALIZED AND “DRAMATIC” FORM OF PULMONARY EDEMA**

1. CAREFUL MANAGEMENT OF VENTILATION
2. FLUID BALANCE (AGGRESSIVE DIURESIS OR ULTRAFILTRATION, HIGH HEMATOCRIT)
3. VENOVENOUS EXTRACORPOREAL LIFE SUPPORT (V-V ECLS)
4. MORTALITY 30 % (PULMONARY HEMORRHAGE)

- **DELIRIUM (CIRCULATORY ARREST TIME >55 min.)**

- **PERICARDIAL EFFUSION**

- **ATRIAL ARRHYTHMIAS IN 10 % OF PATIENTS**



# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY

## OUTCOMES: OPERATIVE MORTALITY

### Terapia chirurgica dell'ipertensione polmonare cronica tromboembolica mediante endoarteriectomia polmonare

Andrea Maria D'Armini (G Ital Cardiol 2006; 7 (7): 454-463)

Tabella 6. L'endoarteriectomia polmonare nel mondo.

	Anno	N. pazienti	PVR (dynes*s*cm <sup>-5</sup> )		Mortalità %
			Preoperatorie	Postoperatorie	
Mares et al. <sup>43</sup>	2000	14	1334 ± 135§	759 ± 99	21
Mares et al. <sup>43</sup>	2000	33	1478 ± 107§	975 ± 93	9
Rubens et al. <sup>44</sup>	2000	21	765 ± 372	208 ± 92	5
D'Armini et al. <sup>45</sup>	2000	33	1056 ± 344	196 ± 39	9
Masuda et al. <sup>46</sup>	2001	50	869 ± 299	344 ± 174	18
Tscholl et al. <sup>47</sup>	2001	69	988 ± 554	324 ± 188	10
Hagl et al. <sup>48</sup>	2002	30	873 ± 248	290 ± 117	10
Jamieson et al. <sup>16</sup>	2003	500	893 ± 444	285 ± 215	4.4§§
Dartevelle et al. <sup>22</sup>	2004	245	1206 ± 61	ND	10.9
D'Armini et al. <sup>49</sup>	2005	134	1149 ± 535	322 ± 229	9.8§§§

ND = Non disponibile; § resistenze vascolari polmonari indicizzate; §§ ultimi 500 casi; §§§ 4.5% nel 2004.



# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY

## OUTCOMES 1

### Outcomes of pulmonary endarterectomy for treatment of extreme thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension

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**TABLE 2. Comparison of perioperative hemodynamic parameters**

Variable	All patients (n = 743)	Group 1: PAS >100 mm Hg (n = 65)	Group 2: PAS <100 mm Hg (n = 678)	P value*
Mean decrease in PAS (mm Hg)	29.1 ± 19.7	50.5 ± 18.7	27.2 ± 18.6	.040
Mean decrease in PAD (mm Hg)	10.4 ± 10.3	19.3 ± 10.3	9.6 ± 9.9	.467
Mean decrease in PVR (dynes · sec · cm <sup>-5</sup> )	577.6 ± 393.8	926.7 ± 511.1	546.4 ± 365.1	.002
Mean increase in CO (L/min)	1.54 ± 1.57	1.53 ± 1.47	1.55 ± 1.58	.500
Mean decrease in tricuspid regurgitant velocity (M/s)	1.16 ± 0.80	1.86 ± 0.84	1.11 ± 0.78	.492

Data are shown as means ± standard deviation. *PAS*, Pulmonary artery systolic pressure; *PAD*, pulmonary artery diastolic pressure; *PVR*, pulmonary vascular resistance; *CO*, cardiac output. \*P value compares groups 1 and 2.

**Conclusions:** Pulmonary endarterectomy can be performed safely in patients with severe thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension. The magnitude of preoperative pulmonary artery systolic pressure or pulmonary vascular resistance is not a contraindication for surgical intervention. Indeed, patients with extreme pulmonary hypertension might benefit the most from this operation.

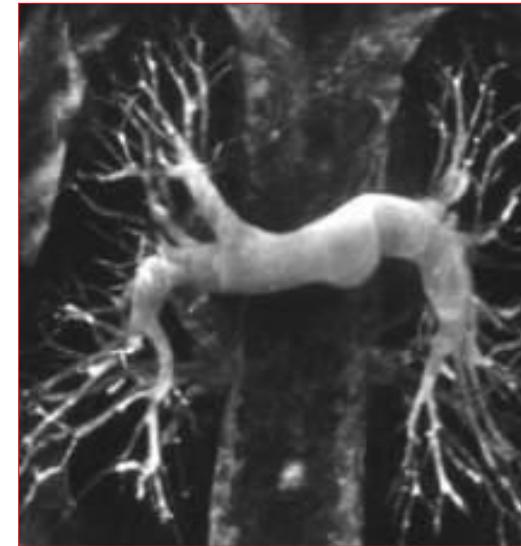


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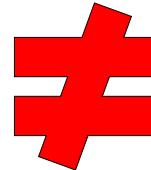
## UCSD OPERATIVE CLASSIFICATION



PREOPERATIVE PULMONARY ANGIOGRAM  
PVR 768 DYNE $\cdot$ S $\cdot$ CM $^{-5}$

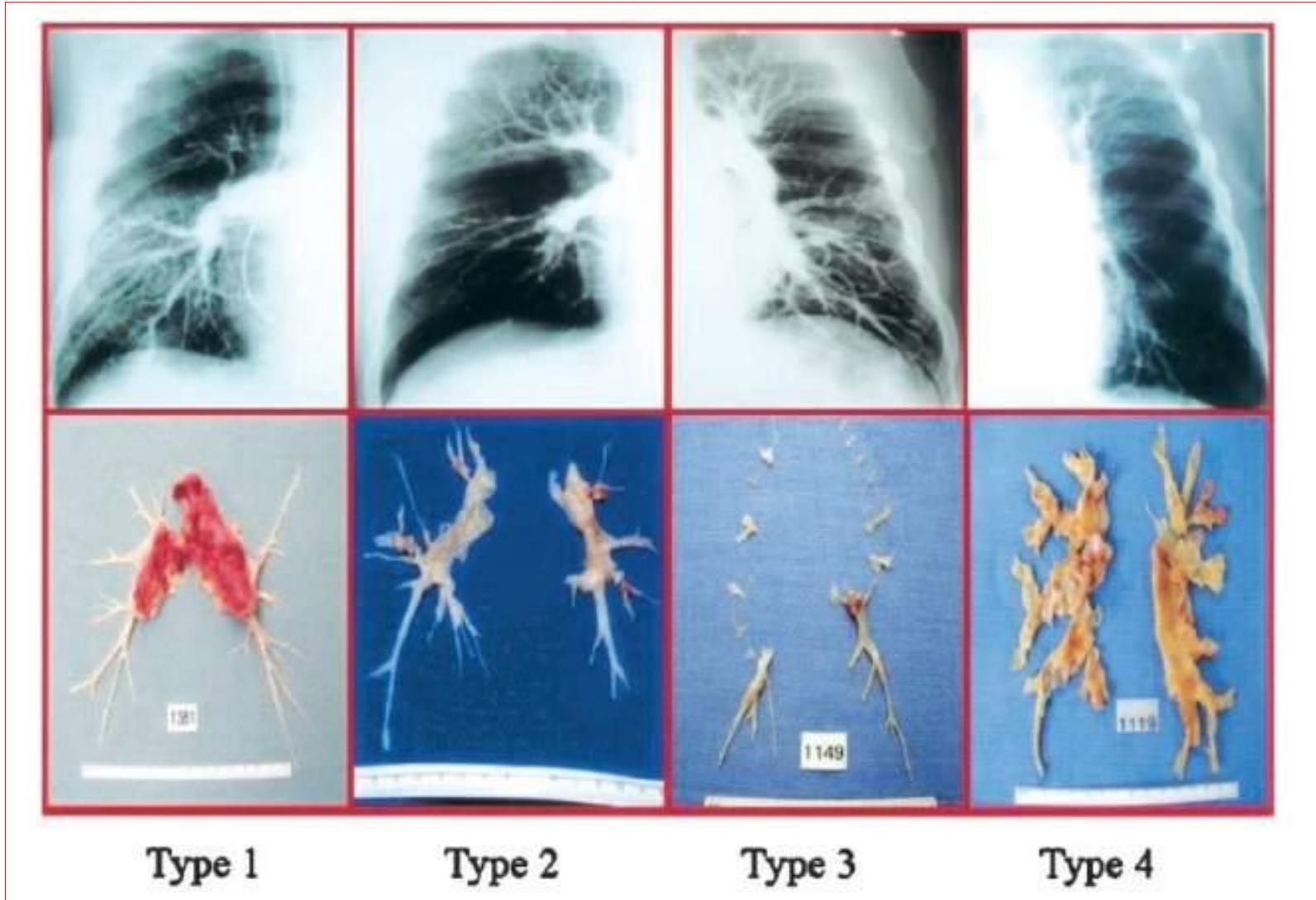


POSTOPERATIVE PULMONARY ANGIOGRAM (10 DAYS AS)  
PVR 196 DYNE $\cdot$ S $\cdot$ CM $^{-5}$



# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY

## UCSD OPERATIVE CLASSIFICATION



# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY

## *UCSD OPERATIVE CLASSIFICATION*

- **TYPE I:** FRESH (ACUTE) THROMBUS IN THE MAIN-LOBAR PULMONARY ARTERIES.
- **TYPE II:** INTIMAL THICKENING AND FIBROSIS WITH OR WITHOUT ORGANIZED THROMBUS PROXIMAL TO SEGMENTAL ARTERIES ONLY.
- **TYPE III:** FIBROSIS, INTIMAL WEBBING AND THICKENING WITH OR WITHOUT ORGANIZED THROMBUS WITHIN DISTAL SEGMENTAL ARTERIES ONLY.
- **TYPE IV:** MICROSCOPIC DISTAL ARTERIOLAR VASCULOPATHY WITHOUT VISIBLE THROMBOEMBOLIC DISEASE.



# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY

*OPERATIVE CLASSIFICATION: TYPE III and IV vs TYPE I and II*

- MORE RESIDUAL TRICUSPID REGURGITATION
- HIGHER POSTOPERATIVE (PO) PULMONARY ARTERY SYSTOLIC PRESSURE
- GREATER PO PULMONARY VASCULAR RESISTANCE
- HIGHER PO MORTALITY
- LONGER INOTROPIC SUPPORT
- LONGER HOSPITAL STAYS



# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY OUTCOMES

## Outcomes of Pulmonary Endarterectomy Surgery

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Table 4 Thromboembolic Classification—Hemodynamic Results

Variable	All Patients (n = 956, 100%)	Type 1 (n = 372, 38.0%)	Type 2 (n = 415, 43.4%)	Type 3 (n = 152, 15.9%)	Type 4 (n = 17, 1.8%)
PVR (dynes·sec·cm <sup>-5</sup> )	861.3 ± 439.1 288.9 ± 198.5	924.8 ± 443.9 271.1 ± 180.3	794.6 ± 417.4 273.1 ± 197.7	878.2 ± 463.9 344.3 ± 184.5	940.8 ± 424.7 604.6 ± 368.2
CO (L/min)	4.0 ± 1.4 5.5 ± 1.5	3.7 ± 1.4 5.5 ± 1.5	4.1 ± 1.3 5.5 ± 1.5	4.0 ± 1.5 5.3 ± 1.4	3.7 ± 1.1 4.7 ± 1.2
Systolic PA pressure (mm Hg)	76.1 ± 18.4 46.8 ± 16.7	76.9 ± 17.8 45.0 ± 15.4	75.4 ± 19.4 45.2 ± 15.3	76.0 ± 17.1 52.3 ± 16.8	78.8 ± 16.1 78.1 ± 34.1
Diastolic PA pressure (mm Hg)	29.0 ± 9.8 18.6 ± 7.4	30.1 ± 9.7 17.9 ± 6.8	27.9 ± 10.1 18.1 ± 6.9	28.8 ± 9.1 20.4 ± 8.0	33.3 ± 10.4 28.4 ± 13.5
Mean PA pressure (mm Hg)	46.4 ± 11.2 28.5 ± 9.7	47.0 ± 11.0 27.5 ± 9.0	45.4 ± 11.6 27.8 ± 9.3	46.7 ± 10.6 31.4 ± 9.9	50.6 ± 11.1 44.7 ± 15.1
Mortality	47 (4.9%)	14 (3.8%)	19 (4.6%)	10 (6.6%)	4 (23.5%)

Data are shown as means ± standard deviation or number (percentage). Top numbers are preoperative values and bottom numbers are postoperative values obtained just prior to removal of the Swan-Ganz catheter. PVR, pulmonary vascular resistance; CO, cardiac output; PA, pulmonary artery.

However, despite favorable results in our series of over 2000 pulmonary endarterectomies performed over the last 36 years (1849 operations in the last 15 years), we have come to realize that a small subset of patients do not benefit from this operation, as they manifest solely arteriolar-capillary vasculopathy similar to idiopathic pulmonary arterial hyperten-



# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY

- IN ALMOST EVERY CASE, THROMBOEMBOLIC PUMONARY HYPERTENSION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED A BILATERAL DISEASE.
- PATIENTS WITH TYPE I AND II THROMBOEMBOLIC DISEASE HAVE THE MOST FAVORABLE HEMODYNAMIC RESULT.
- PATIENTS WITH TYPE III THROMBOEMBOLIC DISEASE HAVE A WORSE POSTOPERATIVE OUTCOME.
- PATIENTS WITH TYPE IV THROMBOEMBOLIC DISEASE DO NOT HAVE SURGICAL CORRECTABLE DISEASE.



# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY

- PATIENT AGE , DEGREE OF PULMONARY HYPERTENSION, CIRCULATORY ARREST TIME ARE RISK FACTORS FOR EARLY MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY.
- PREOPERATIVE PVR > 1100 DYNE\*S\*CM-5 AND MEAN PAP > 50 MMHG: HIGHER OPERATIVE MORTALITY.
- FAILURE TO LOWER PULMONARY ARTERY PRESSURE IS MOST PREDICTIVE OF IN-HOSPITAL MORTALITY.
- PNEUMONIA AND GASTROINTESTINAL COMPLICATIONS ARE THE POSTOPERATIVE COMPLICATIONS MOST ASSOCIATED WITH PERIOPERATIVE DEATH.



# PULMONARY THROMBOENDOARTERECTOMY

## CONCLUSIONS

**THE THREE MOST IMPORTANT DETERMINANTS OF  
CARDIAC SURGICAL OUTCOMES  
("ESPECIALLY PTE") ARE:**

- 1. PATIENT SELECTION**
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## PREOPERATIVE IMAGING EVALUATION

