

Debranching aortic arch branches: when, how to do it, technical tips and avoiding pitfalls

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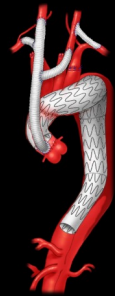
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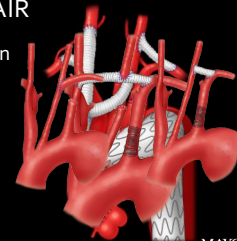
WHY HYBRID ARCH REPAIR?

- Patients who would not tolerate an open repair
- Inadequate anatomy for endovascular repair
- Lack of access to technology
 - No fenestrated/branched arch grafts
 - No experience with arch PMEGs
- Lack of technical expertise for complex open repair



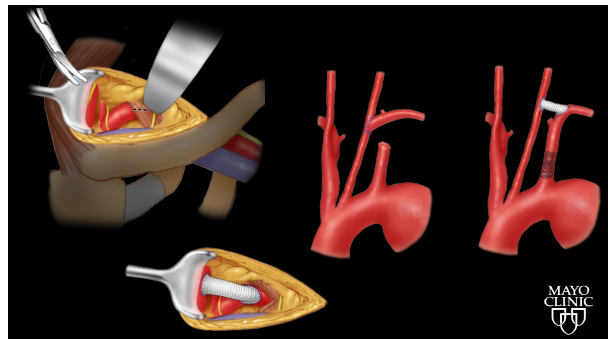
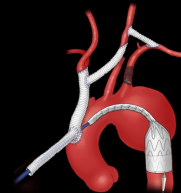
EXTENT OF HYBRID REPAIR

- Zone 1/2 TEVAR / carotid subclavian bypass/transposition
- Zone 0 TEVAR and total cervical debranching
- Total arch debranching



PREOPERATIVE CONSIDERATIONS

- Careful anatomy review
 - Carotid bulb occlusive disease
 - Vertebral artery origin variations
 - Significant ascending aortic calcifications
- Cerebral monitoring technique
- Appropriate access
 - Typically large devices needed
 - Possible antegrade deployment via debranching graft



MORBIDITY OF CAROTID-LSA BYPASS

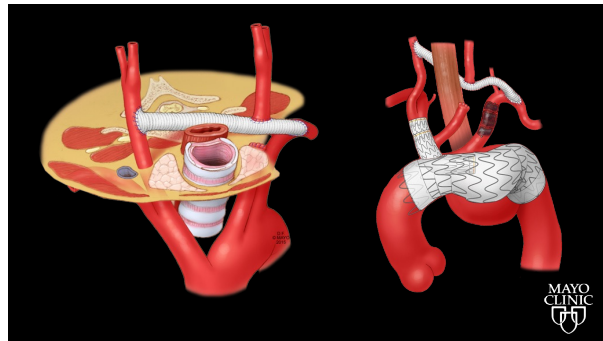
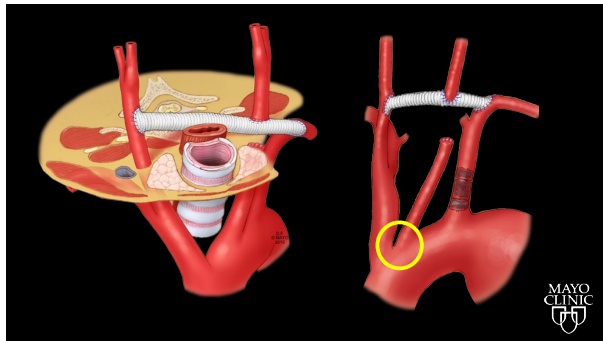
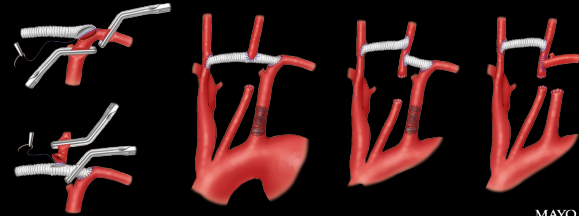
- 112 patients treated at single center
- Early complications in 29%
 - Phrenic nerve palsy in 25%
 - Recurrent laryngeal nerve in 5%
 - Axillary nerve in 2%
 - Neck hematoma requiring exploration in 2%
- Primary patency 97% at 5-years (3 occlusions)

From the Southern Association for Vascular Surgery
Outcomes of carotid-subclavian bypass performed in the setting of thoracic endovascular aortic repair
 Steven K. Voigt, MD, MSc; William S. Edwards, MD; David S. Warner, MD; Bradburdette Yankovic, MD; Richard L. McCann, MD; and G. Chad Hughes, MD, Durham, NC



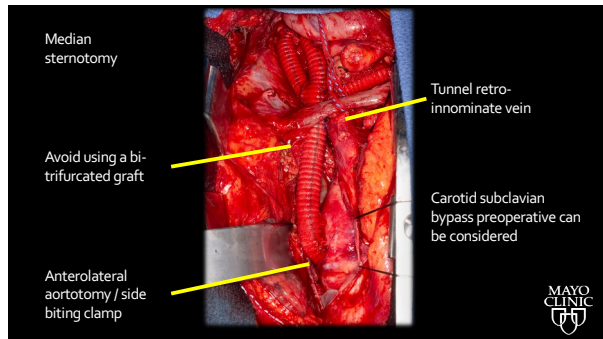
Voigt et al. J Vasc Surg 2019

CAROTID-CAROTID-SUBCLAVIAN BYPASS





TOTAL ARCH DEBRANCHING

- Collaboration with CV surgery
- Normal or replaced segment of ascending aorta
- At least 2 cm of PLZ
- Poor distal targets for total endovascular repair can prove challenging in hybrid repair



**Hybrid approaches in the treatment of aortic arch aneurysms:
Postoperative and midterm outcomes**

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- 47 patients, mean age 71yo
- Technical success 100%
- Redo sternotomy in 14%
- In-hospital mortality 8%
- Stroke 8%
- Follow-up: 30 months
 - No endoleaks
 - 1 aortic reintervention

J Thorac Cardiovasc Surg 2013



CONCLUSION

- Open aortic arch surgery remains the gold standard – but this status is being challenged
- Hybrid techniques for repair of aortic arch pathology have a role in select patients and circumstances
- As experience develops with novel endovascular arch devices, the indication for open and hybrid repair is likely to be progressively more limited


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