'Treat-and-Repair 'vs. 'Repair-and-Treat' : What's the Evidence?



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Closure of septal defects in patients with severe PAH

Pros	Cons
May prevent Eisenmenger	May convert to iPAH
Advanced medical therapies	Perioperative risk

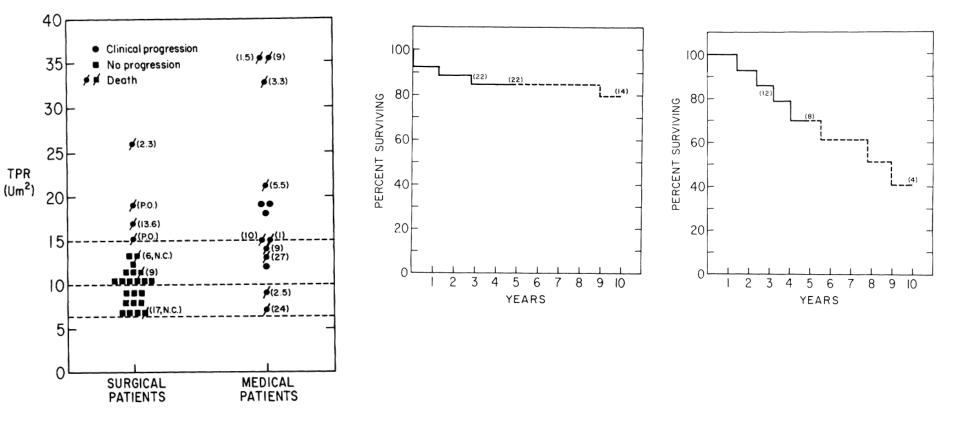
- Operable?
- Reversible? vs. Irreversible?
- Pulmonary vasoreactivity

Isolated atrial septal defect with pulmonary vascular obstructive disease — long-term follow-up and prediction of outcome after surgical correction

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• 40 pts > PVR 7U/m2 out of 702 ASD pts



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- For patients with an ASD and PVOD with a predominant L → R shunt,
 - All patients with a total pulmonary resistance less than 10 $\rm U/M^2$ should proceed to operation
 - if the total pulmonary resistance is 15 U/M² or greater than, operation is not advised
- In patients with borderline total pulmonary resistance, the systemic arterial oxygen saturation provides a good prediction of surgical outcome.

Atrial septal defects versus ventricular septal defects in BREATHE-5, a placebo-controlled study of pulmonary arterial hypertension related to Eisenmenger's syndrome: A subgroup analysis

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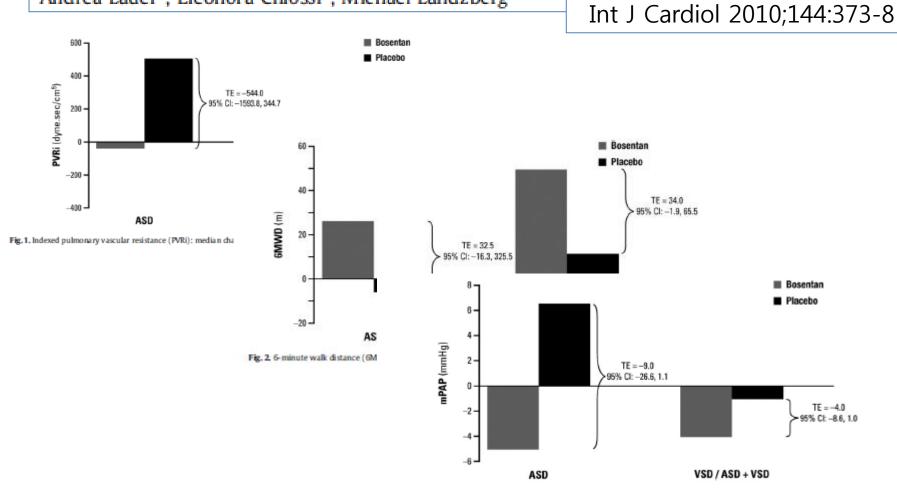


Fig. 3. Mean pulmonary artery pressure (mPAP): median change from baseline to week 16, (TE: treatment effect; CI: confidence interval).

ESC Guidelines for the Management of ACHD 2010

Indications for intervention in ASD	Class	Level
Patients with significant shunt (signs of RV volume overload) and PVR <5 WU should undergo ASD closure regardless of s ymptoms	Ι	В
All ASDs regardless of size in patients with suspicion of para doxical embolism (exclusion of other causes) should be consi dered for Intervention	IIa	С
Patients with PVR \geq 5 WU but <2/3 SVR or PAP <2/3 systemic pressure (baseline or when challenged with vasodilators, preferably nitric oxide, or after targeted PAH therapy) and evidence of net L–R shunt (Qp:Qs >1.5) may be considered for intervention	IIb	С
ASD closure must be avoided in patients with Eisenmenger physiology	III	С

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Indications for intervention in VSD	Class	Level
Patients with symptoms that can be attributed to L–R shunti ng through the (residual) VSD and who have no severe pul monary vascular disease (see below) should undergo surgical VSD closure	Ι	С
Patients with VSD and PAH should be considered for surgery when there is still net L–R shunt (Qp:Qs >1.5) present and P AP or PVR are <2/3 of systemic values (baseline or when ch allenged with vasodilators, preferably nitric oxide, or after tar geted PAH therapy)	IIa	С
Surgery must be avoided in Eisenmenger VSD and when exercise-induced desaturation is present	III	С

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Indications for intervention in PDA	Class	Level
PDA should be closed in patients with PAH but PAP <2/3 of systemic pressure or PVR <2/3 of SVR	Ι	С
PDA closure should be considered in patients with PAH and PAP >2/3 of systemic pressure or PVR >2/3 of SVR but still n et L–R shunt (Qp:Qs >1.5) or when testing (preferably with ni tric oxide) or treatment demonstrates pulmonary vascular re activity	IIa	С
PDA closure must be avoided in PDA Eisenmenger and patients with exercise-induced lower limb desaturation	III	С

"Treat-and-Repair"

Reversal of Pulmonary Hypertension and Subsequent Repair of Atrial Septal Defect After Treatment With Continuous Intravenous Epoprostenol

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- 29 years old
- PAP 86/35 , systemic 110/70, SaO₂ 93%
- 4 year therapy of prostacyclin 90 mg/kg/min
- ASD closure , 8 years follow up
- Amlodipine, coumadin, and cessation of prostacyclin

J Heart Lung Transplant 2005;24:501-3

Continuous Epoprostenol Therapy and Septal Defect Closure in a Patient With Severe Pulmonary Hypertension

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A 31-year-old woman with exertional dyspnea diagnosed as having atrial septal defect (ASD) with severe pulmonary hypertension (PH). Intravenous epoprostenol therapy was started to improve PH. Although pulmonary arterial pressure decreased, her symptoms remained in class III of WHO functional class, probably because of exacerbation of the left-to-right shunt caused by the reduction of pulmonary vascular resistance (PVR). Transcatheter atrial septal closure was therefore performed. Soon after the procedure, additional reduction in pulmonary arterial pressure was achieved. Her symptoms improved and oxygen inhalation was discontinued. One year after the procedure, although intravenous epoprostenol was still required, her symptoms had improved to class I of WHO functional class without exacerbation of PH. Transcatheter atrial septal closure after lowering PVR by intravenous epoprostenol would be a novel therapy for patients with ASD accompanied by PH. © 2009 Wiley-Liss, Inc.

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Atrial septal defect repair after a 10-month treatment with bosentan in a patient with severe pulmonary arterial hypertension: A case report

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TABLE 1. Time course of clinical and hemodynamic parameters

	Before bos	sentan initiation		8 months after ASD	
Parameter	Baseline	NO (20 ppm)	Before ASD repair	repair	
mLAP (mm Hg)	17	17	11	13	
mRAP (mm Hg)	16	16	10	7	
mPAP (mm Hg)	54	42	30	35	
Pulmonary/systemic flow (L/min)	9.5/3.5	14.0/4.3	7.4/3.3	5.2/5.2	
Arterial saturation (%)	91	95	88	95	
Pulmonary arterial saturation (%)	75	84.5	77.7	62.0	
Total pulmonary resistance (dynes · s · cm ⁻⁵)	460	240	325	538	
B-type natriuretic peptide (pg/mL)	4675		1104	420	
6-min walking distance (m)	152.2		241.0	247.0	

ASD, Atrial septal defect; NO, nitric oxide; mLAP, mean left atrial pressure; mRAP, mean right atrial pressure; ND, not done; mPAP, mean pulmonary arterial pressure.

Repair of Atrial Septal Defect With Eisenmenger Syndrome After Long-Term Sildenafil Therapy

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Variable	Initia	al Study	2 Years of Sildenafil Therapy				
	Baseline	O ₂ (10 L/min)	Baseline	O ₂ (10 L/min)	Balloon Occlusion Test		
mRAP, mm Hg	1	2	10	8	8		
mLAP, mm Hg	1	2	10	8			
mPAP, mm Hg	87/20, 55	85/20, 55	128/32, 75	110/34, 65	99/26, 56		
mSAP, mm Hg	140/80, 100	140/83, 105	137/71, 98	131/75, 95	133/68, 95		
SvcO ₂ , %	69	74	76	68	79		
Pao ₂ , %	75	80	86	89			
Sao ₂ , %	89	92	94	99	99		
Qp (L/min/m ²)	2.16	2.24	5.15	4.7			
Qs (L/min/m ²)	2.49	2.72	2.98	1.75	2.83		
Qp/Qs ratio	0.87	0.82	1.73	2.68			
PVRI (WU · m ²)	25.0	23.7	12.63	12.1			
SVRI (WU · m ²)	39.8	37.8	29.53	49.7	30.73		
PVRI/SVRI	0.63	0.63	0.43	0.24			

Table 1. Hemodynamic Data

mLAP = mean left atrial pressure; mPAP = mean pulmonary arterial pressure; mRAP = mean right atrial pressure; mSAP = mean systemic arterial pressure; PVRI = body surface area indexed pulmonary vascular resistance; Pao₂ = partial pressure of arterial oxygen; Qp = body surface area indexed pulmonary blood flow; Qs = body surface area indexed systemic blood flow (cardiac index); Sao₂ = arterial oxygen saturation; Svco₂ = oxygen saturation in the superior vena cava; SVRI = body surface area indexed systemic vascular resistance; WU = Wood unit.

'Repair-and-Treat'

- Advanced medical therapies without correction of the underlying anatomical defect may lead to further insult on the pulmonary circulation
 - $-\downarrow$ PVR \rightarrow \uparrow pulmonary flow, shear stress
 - Deterioration after the initial short-term improvement
 - Less advanced case \rightarrow further progression

Staged repair : PAB

Successful Reversal of Pulmonary Hypertension in **Eisenmenger Complex**

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Campina Grande do Sul, P Arq Bras Cardiol 1997; 68: 279-280

- 19 year old female, VSD + ASD with PAH
- Lung biopsy grade IV (HE)
- PA banding
- One year later, •
 - No cyanosis, lung biopsy regression of pulmonary vascular change
- VSD, ASD closure was done successfully

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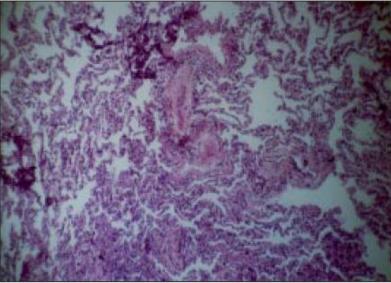


Fig. 1 - Lung biopsy showed grade IV pulmonary vascular changes.

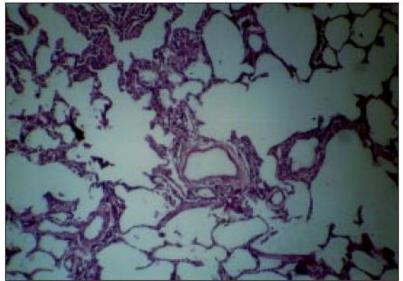


Fig. 2 - Lung biopsy showed total regression of previous lesions.

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- Lower PA saturation \rightarrow dilatation of the pulmonary vascular bed and a decrease in PVR \rightarrow regression of fixed pulmonary lesions
- High oxygen content \rightarrow increase PVR
- In the course of PA banding, systemic Sao2 was reduced from 97% to 60% or 75% and pulmonary Sao2 from 87% to about 20% in patients with right-to-left shunt without compromising the heart (norespiratory acidosis developed, per a personal communication with Dr. Randas Batista: Chanda. J Thorac Cardiovas Surg 1998;115;484-5)

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Staged repair : PAB

Evaluation of Pulmonary Artery Banding in the Setting of Ventricular Septal Defects and Severely Elevated Pulmonary Vascular Resistance

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		Mean Right Atrial Pressure (mm Hg)				Indexed PV (W.u.*m²)	ndexed PVR Systolic PAP W.u.*m²) (mm Hg)		P	Cardiac Index (L/min/m²)		Qp/Qs	
Patient	Status	Room Air	100% O2	Room Air	100% O2	Room Air	100% O2	Room Air	100% O2	Room Air	100% O2	Room Air	100% 02
1	Pre-PAB	1	1	5	8	14.3	9.7	84	100	24	4.7	1.7	1.5
	Post-PAB†	5	5	‡	#	24.4	21.4	72	80	27	2.1	0.67	0.84
				(LA = 7)	(LA = 7)								
2	Pre-PAB	2	4	8	14	17.8	5.5	100	90	3.9	4.7	1	2
	Post-PAB	4	4	5	7	3.9	2	24	24	4	5	0.8	1
3	Pre-PAB	1	2	6	8	10	62	84	84	4.4	5.1	1.3	1.8
	Post-PAB	2	3	2	3	11.1	8.1	59	58	3.6	4.1	0.84	0.92
4	Pre-PAB	12	14			10.5	3.1	106	68	2.6	1.9	2.3	6.2
	Post-PAB	10	6	(LA = 12) —§ (LA = 10)	(LA = 14) —§ (LA = 6)	0.83	2.2	55	63	21	1.9	16.5	9.4

Table 1. Hemodynamic Data Pre-PAB and Post-PAB for Study Patients

†,‡,§Unavailable data. Left atrial pressures listed as reference.

PAB indicates pulmonary artery band; PCW, pulmonary capillary wedge; PVR, pulmonary vascular resistance; PAP, pulmonary artery pressure; LA, left atrial pressure.

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Alternative approach for selected severe pulmonary hypertension of congenital heart defect without initial correction – Palliative surgical treatment $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\sim}$

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- 2000 2009
- 15 patients with severe pulmonary HT with defects One patients – HL transplantation – mortality 3 refuse operation, 3 observation
- 8 patients (age 26±9 years)- Pulmonary artery banding
- Additional PAB in 4
- 3 corrective surgery

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	Age	Dx	AA .	sPA	mPA	sPA/ sBP	mPA/ mBP	Estimated PVR (W)	Estimated Rp/Rs	SaO2
1	33	VSD		76	51	0.7	0.59	7.6	0.16	94
2	24	VSD		109	70	1.01	0.80	8.75	0.17	94
3	34	VSD		129	79	0.99	0.79	26.9	0.67	88
4	19	VSD		134	92	1.15	1.06	23.8	0.7	91
5	17	VSD		119	87	1.00	0.92	14.8	0.8	90
6	15	VSD	CoA*	117	68	1.00	0.89	11.7	N/A	93
7	37	VSD	IAA	121	83	1.19	1.10	37.7	N/A	87
8	33	VSD	TGA	115	71	1.15	0.86	16	0.38	75

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Staged repair : SMC experience

- F/38, VSD, severe PAH
 - NYHA class II, Chest pain after exercise
 - SaO2 90% at rest, SaO2 87% after exercise
- Op. (5Mo after PAB)
 - VSD closure, ASD creation (6mm)
 - PA debanding, TR repair

Cath data	Pre-PAB	After PAB (6 Mo)	After VSD closure (16Mo after PAB)	After VSD closure (6 yrs after PAB)
Pr PA/Ao	117/118 → 101/117 (O2)	•	44/138	33/118
mean PAP	96 → 65	57 → 48	26	18
Rp	6.9 →2.4	7.6 → 2.2	3.93	
Qp/Qs	2.9 → 5.7	2.6 → 5.7	1.93	1.2

Staged repair : SMC experience





Staged repair - two shunt lesions

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CASE REPORT

Successful Two-Stage Correction of Ventricular Septal Defect and Patent Ductus Arteriosus in a Patient with Fixed Pulmonary Hypertension

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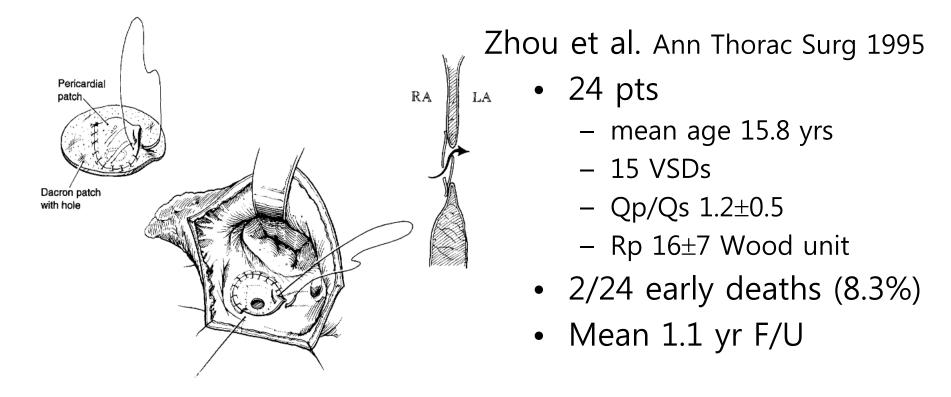
• 6 yrs-old boy with VSD, PDA, NYHA Fc III

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- Initial Cath
 - PAP 92/69 (77), Ao 94/62(80)
 - Qp/Qs 1.2
 - Rp 10.8 Wood units
- → 6Mo of inhaled prostacyclin → Rp 7.2
- → Percutaneous closure of PDA → Rp 5.4
 - 1 wk of iv prostacyclin
- → VSD closure → PAP 61mmHg
 - 4Mo of iv prostacyclin
 - NYHA Fc I at 1 yr F/U

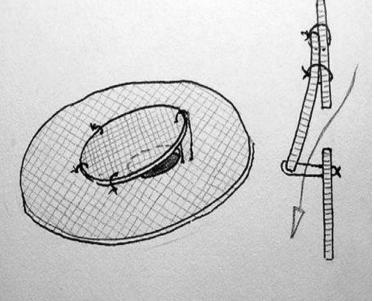
One-way flap valve patch

- Unloading of the RV during severe PAH
- Relief of left heart hypovolemia
- First reported in 1959 (Bailey)



One-way flap valve patch

- Novick et al. Ann Thorac Surg 2005
 - 91 pts
 - median age 4.0 yrs
 - PVR 10.5 ± 4.9 Wood unit
 - Fenestration (4~8 mm) : $\frac{1}{2}$ of the expected aortic annulus
 - Overall early mortality : 7.7%
 - Simple VSD : 3.6%



One-way flap valve patch

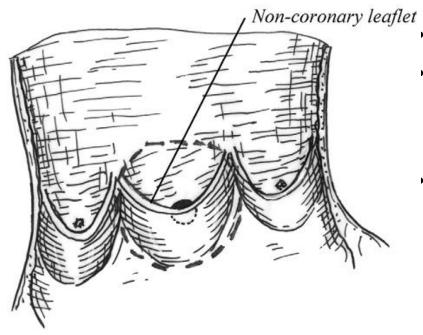


Table 2. The Standard	for the Diameter	of Fenestration
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BSA	Preoperative Sao ₂	Size of the Fenestration
<1 m ²	>91%	4 mm
<1 m ²	<91%	6 mm
>1 m ²	>91%	6 mm
>1 m ²	<91%	8 mm

BSA = body surface area; SaO₂ = arterial oxygen saturation.

Zhang et al. Ann Thorac Surg 2007

- · 27 pts
 - mean age 15.0 ± 5.6
 - PVR 15.2±3.8 Wood unit
- · 2/27 early deaths

Table 3. Preoperative and Postoperative Hemodynamic Status

Characteristics	Before Repair	After Repair
Mean pulmonary artery pressure (mm Hg)	81 ± 12	$68\pm15^{\rm a}$
Pulmonary to systemic pressure ratio	1.05 ± 0.10	$0.78\pm0.20^{\rm a}$
Arterial oxygen saturation (%)	89 ± 1	95 ± 2^{n}

^a p < 0.01, versus preoperation.</p>

Table 4. Postoperative Echocardiographic Assessment

Time	No Right to Left Shunt (Cases)	Right to Left Shunt (Cases)
Day 1	17	10
Day 7	23	3
Month 3	23	2

The unidirectional valve patch provides no benefits to early and long-term survival in patients with ventricular septal defect and severe pulmonary artery hypertension

Hui-Li Gan, MD, PhD, Jian-Qun Zhang, MD, Zhao-Guang Zhang, MD, Yi Luo, MD, Qi-Wen Zhou, MD, and Ping Bo, MD

J Thorac Cardiovasc Surg 2009

- 876 pts underwent VSD closure with severe PH
- 195 Unidirectional valve patch vs. 681 NVP
- Indication
 - \downarrow 6.5 WU from baseline after O2 or NO
 - Unidirectional valve patch
 - Bidirectional shunt on EchoCG
 - PVR > 10 WU
 - PVRI > 6WU/m2
 - Qp/Qs < 1.5
 - Hb > 16.0
- Mean F/U period : 102.2 ±61.6 Mo

UVP vs. NVP

- No difference btw UVP and NVP with propensity score matching
 - Early deaths : 7(5.1%) vs. 9(6.5%)
 - sPAP : 49.7±29.6 vs. 52.2±28.1mmHg (P = 0.4724)
 - 6MWD, NYHA Fc
- Status of UVP
 - open and R-L shunt in all patients by intraoperative TEE
 - Closed in 118 patients by the 3rd POD
 - Closed in 121/125 survivors

 UVP provides no benefits to early and long-term survival when it is used to repair a VSD with severe PAH

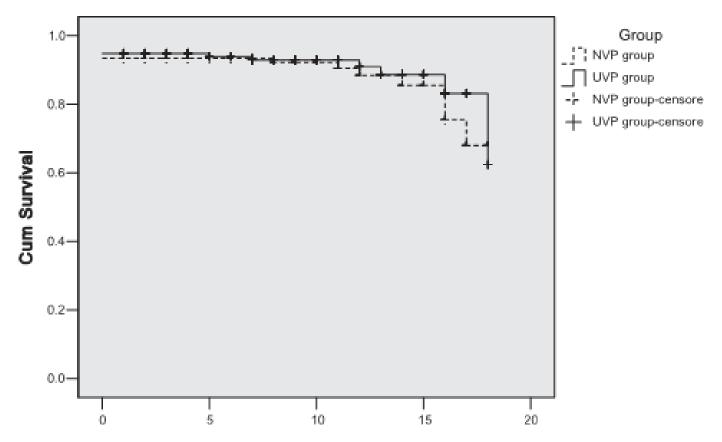
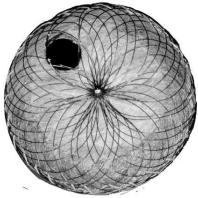


FIGURE 1. The Kaplan–Meier survival curve for the unidirectional valve patch (*UVP*) and nonvalve patch (*NVP*) groups (survival years).

Closure with a fenestration

- Bruch et al. J Interv Cardiol 2008
- Fenestration to allow for a minor to moderate shunt in both directions, depending on the compliance failure of the ventricles
- Entry Criteria.
 - ASD with L-R shunt of at least 50%
 - Mean PAP > 25mmHg
 or enlargement of the RV or ↑ RVEDP
- Exclusion Criteria
 - Hx of pulmonary or paradoxical embolism.
 - Fully developed Eisenmenger's syndrome with pressure equalization between right and left heart (Qp/Qs <1.2)



Closure with a fenestration

- 15 pts : mean age 66 (48-77)
- 5~8mm fenestration
- NYHA Fc improved
- All fenestrations stay open
- RVEDD \downarrow , sPAP \downarrow (55±13 to 43±12mmHg)
- LVEDD ↑
- Qp/Qs \downarrow (2.59±1.19 to 1.38±0.42)
- PVR unchanged

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Surgical Strategy in Patients with Atrial Septal Defect and Severe Pulmonary Hypertension

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- 2004 ~ 2013
- No. of pts : 20
 - -M:F=4:16
 - Age : median 34 (23 ~ 58) yrs
 - Hb 14.1 (8.0~22.9) g/dL, SaO₂ 95.4 (87.8~97.8) %
- Prior use of pulmonary vasodilator (n=6)
 - Sildenafil : 3
 - Bosentan
 - +Beraprost : 2
 - No preop. Medication (n=19)

- Hemodynamic data (baseline)
 - Systolic PAP : 82 (60~119) mmHg
 - P(PA/Ao) : 0.67 (0.46 ~ 0.94)

– Rp

- Qp/Qs : 2.1 (1.3 ~ 3.0)
 - : 9.3 (3.9 ~ 16.7) WU

Associated diseases	No. of Pts
A. fib	3
MR (mild to moderate)	2
Mild Ebstein anomaly	1
Anomalous origin of single coronary artery	1
PR (mild to moderate)	1

Criteria for fenestrated closure of ASD - SMC experiences -

- Severe pulmonary HT with
 - Response to O_2 , NO, test occlusion (\downarrow 20% of baseline)
 - Response to O_2 , NO, test occlusion (\downarrow 10% of baseline) AND < mean PAP 40mmHg
- Dimopoulos K, Peset A, Gatzoulis A (Int J Cardiol 2008)
 - \downarrow Mean PAP of > 10mmHg + resultant mean PAP \leq 40mmHg
 - No evidence of \downarrow cardiac output

- Operative findings
 - ASD size : 26 (20~46) mm
 - Fenestration size : 6 (5~8) mm

Concomitant procedures		No. of pts
TR repair	Ring annuloplasty	11
	DeVega	6
Maze op.		3
MAP (Wooler type)		2
PV commissuroplasty		1
MPA translocation		1

- Extubation at postop. 12 (6~45) hrs
 Postop. iNO use : 3 pts
- No early deaths
- Complication
 - Bleeding control : 2
 - Pericardiocentesis d/t PE : 1
- Discharge at postop. 10 (6~18) days
 - Medication on discharge
 - All patients had pulmonary vasodilator except 3
 - Sildenafil 17/+bosentan 4/+beraprost 1
 - All patients had anticoagulant
 - Warfarin 15 / ASA 9

- Follow up duration
 51 (7 ~ 98) Months
- No late death
- Long-term Cx
 - Pericardiectomy for constrictive pericarditis 1
 - Window formation for pericardial effusion 1
 - Device closure of fenestration btw Ao and RA 1

• Status of fenestration (by EchoCG)

Before discharge (# of pts)		Last F/U (# of pts)	
$L \rightarrow R$	15	$L \rightarrow R$	14
L ← R	1	L ← R	0
L ↔ R	3	$L \leftrightarrow R$	2
Invisible	1	Invisible*	4

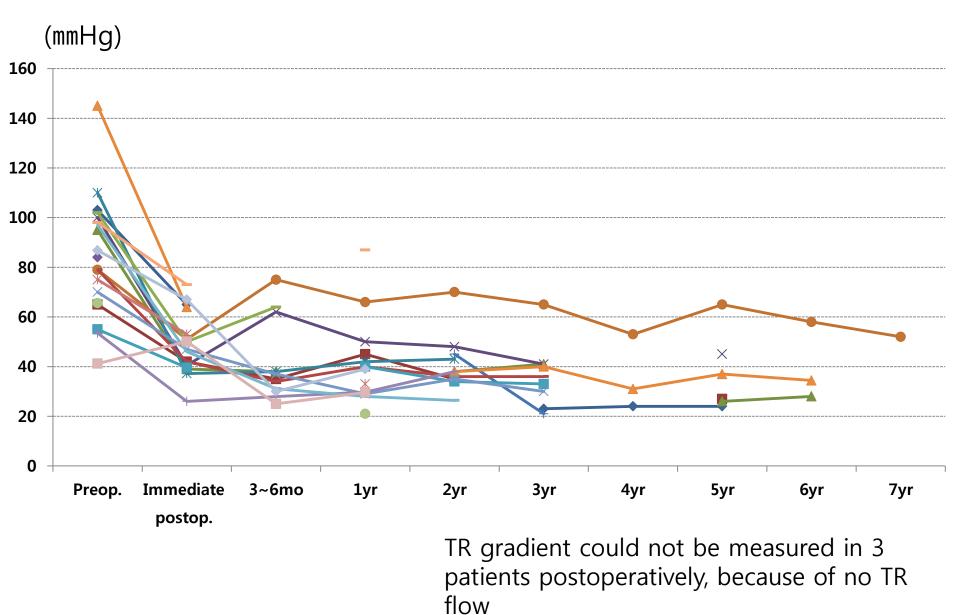
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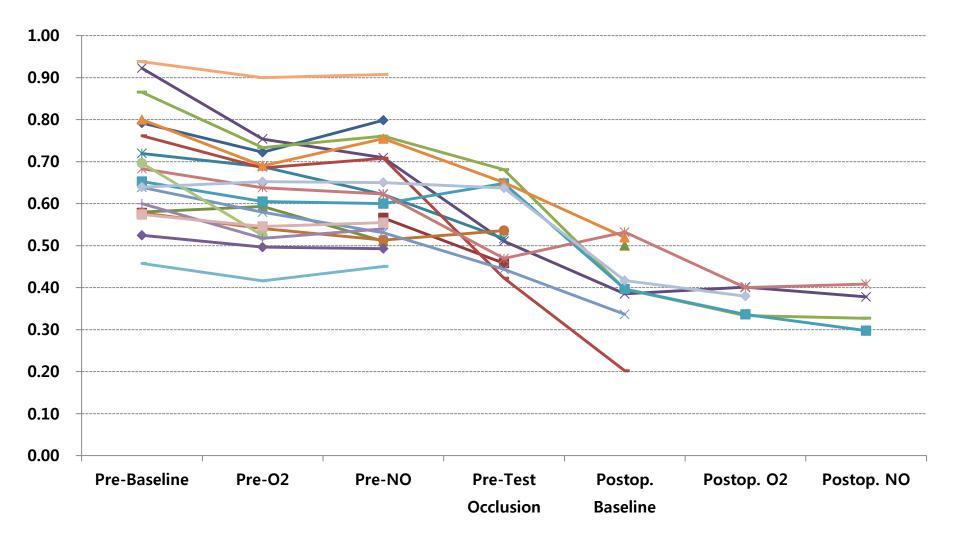
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- Current medication
 - Pulmonary vasodilator
 - Sildenafil 5
 - Beraprost
 - Bosentan
 - Sildenafil + Bosentan + beraprost 1
 - ASA 6/Warfarin 2

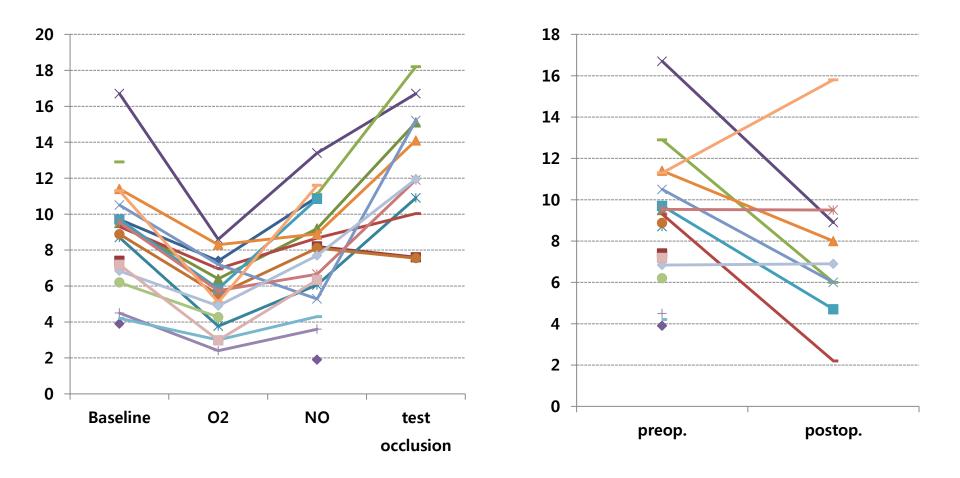
Change of peak TR gradient by EchoCG



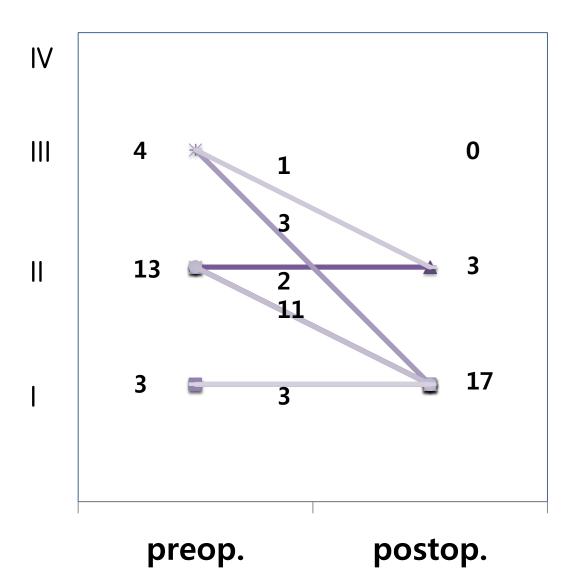
Change of Pressure ratio (PA/Ao)

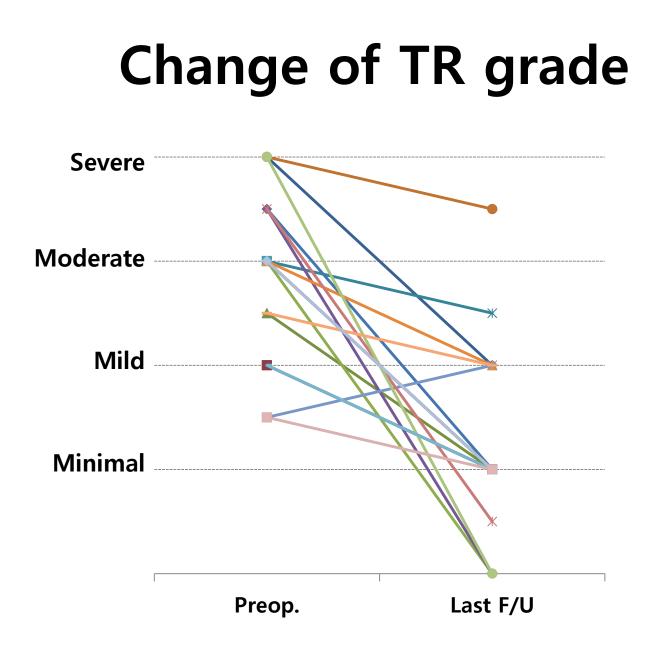


Change of PVR



Change of Functional Class (NYHA)

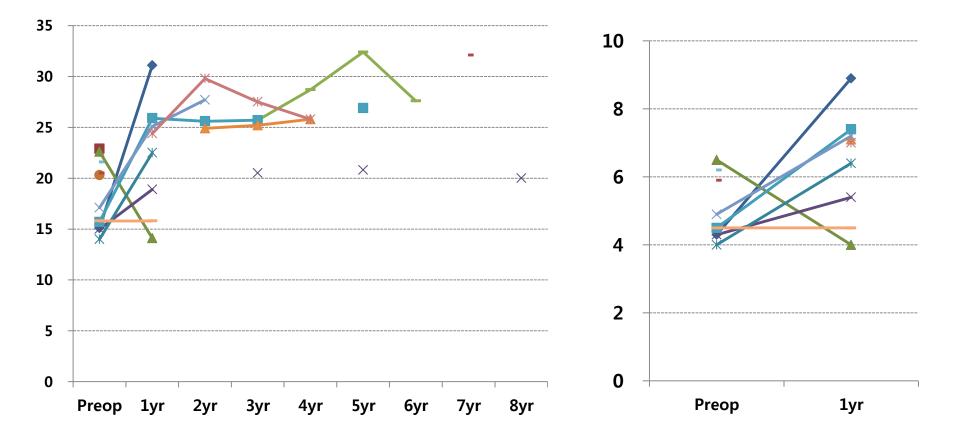


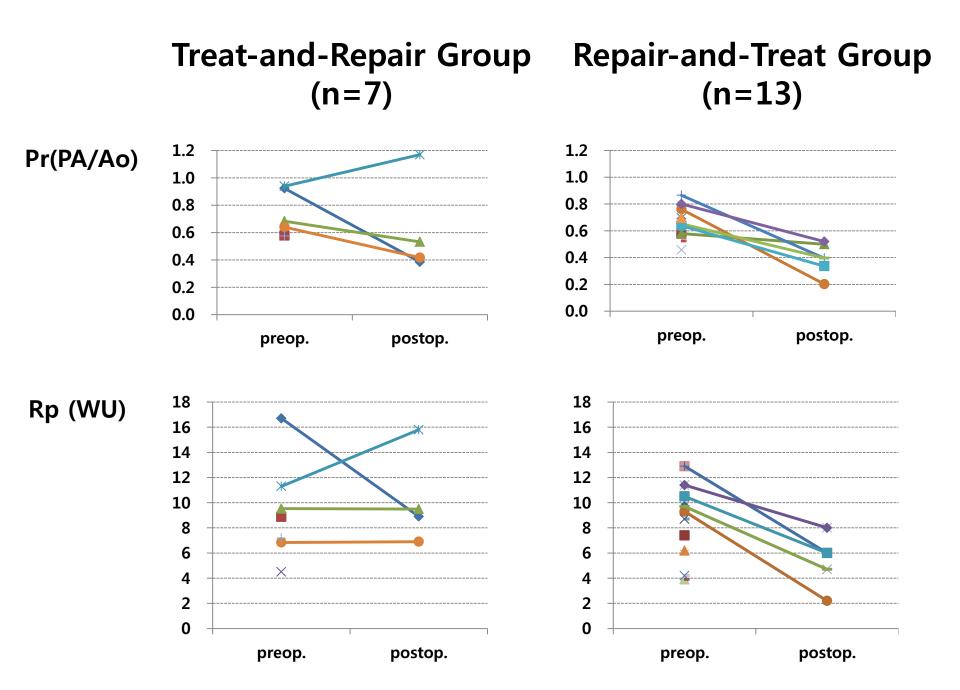


Change of Exercise Capacity

VO2 max (mL/kg/min)

METs





Summary

- No solid evidence of which one is better
 - T & R vs. R & T
- Indication of surgery in ACHD patients with severe PAH is still controversial
- Careful preop. evaluation is very important
- Indications for surgery can be extended with the aid of advanced medical therapies
- Fenestrated patch closure for ASD, one-way valve patch closure of VSD may be helpful in borderline patients, although longer term follow-up is needed