Conclusions Percutaneous mitral valve repair with MitraClip device is a safe and viable management option in high-risk patients with cardiogenic shock or refractory pulmonary edema and concomitant moderate-severe MR. Prospective trials are required to confirm these findings, and definitively determine the value of MitraClip in hemodynamically unstable patients.

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SAFETY AND EFFICACY OF TRANSCATHETER AORTIC VALVE IMPLANTATION IN NONAGENARIANS WITH SEVERE SYMPTOMATIC AORTIC STENOSIS

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Background Transcatheter aortic valve implantation (TAVI) is the standard of treatment for high/prohibitive surgical risk patients with symptomatic severe aortic stenosis. Studies reported over the last 5 years have found TAVI to be non-inferior to surgery with respect to intermediate and lower risk patients. In the United Kingdom the number of people living beyond 90 years age continues to rise and this had led to an increasing number of nonagenarians undergoing TAVI for symptomatic aortic stenosis. Outcomes for this group patients are scarcely reported.

Purpose We aimed to report outcomes for all nonagenarians undergoing TAVI in Northern Ireland (NI).

Methods Baseline characteristics, procedural parameters and outcomes were collected using the NICOR database, NI Electronic Care Record and our in-hospital database. We compared all 73 nonagenarians with the remaining 1048 patients that underwent TAVI in NI.

Results Nonagenarians (mean age=91.6 years; female sex 55%) had a lower mean EuroSCORE2 (7.2% vs 8.5%, $p=0.03$) than the younger group (mean age=81 years; female sex 53%). COPD (4.1% vs. 20.3%, $p<0.005$), diabetes mellitus (11% vs. 22.3%, $p=0.02$), prior cardiac surgery (6.8% vs. 19.8%, $p=0.01$) were all significantly lower in the nonagenarian patients. Nonagenarians had significantly more progressive renal dysfunction (mean creatinine clearance 36.4 ml/min vs. 48.3 ml/min, $p<0.005$).

Left ventricular dysfunction (LVEF<50%) was less prevalent in the nonagenarians (14% vs 28%, $p=0.01$). TAVI was performed under local anaesthetic (LA) in 97% of nonagenarians, compared to 95.5% younger patients, for which 93% vascular access was percutaneous femoral (pTF) (non-nagenarians LA 98%, pTF 92.2%). Surgical femoral and axillary/subclavian made up the remainder of the access for nonagenarians.

Procedural complications for nonagenarians vs the remaining group included stroke (4.3% vs 2.82%, $p=0.22$), tamponade (1.4% vs 1%, $p=0.61$) and major vascular injury (1.4% vs 3.4%, $p=0.62$). 30d new pacemaker implantation was similar between the nonagenarian and younger patients (12 vs. 13%, $p=0.78$). Peri-procedural mortality trended higher in nonagenarians at 4% vs 2%, $p=0.20$ but, overall, 30d (4% vs. 3%, $p=0.47$) and 1y (16% vs. 10%, $p=0.10$) mortality did not significantly differ when compared with the younger patient group. The median survival estimate (figure 1) for nonagenarians was 4.9y (IQR 2.3–7.4y) compared to 6.1y (IQR 3.1–9.1y) for the younger patient group ($p=0.10$). Readmission for

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heart failure within 1-year was non-significantly lower for nonagenarians (6% vs 10%, $p=0.23$).

Conclusions In selected nonagenarians we severe symptomatic aortic stenosis, TAVI is both safe and efficacious achieving acceptable short- and long-term outcomes that are comparable with younger patients undergoing TAVI.

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SYNTAX SCORE- A SIMPLE WAY TO STRATIFY COMPLEX CORONARY DISEASE?

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Background The Syntax Score (SS) is an angiographic risk stratification tool to grade coronary disease complexity and aid revascularisation strategy decision making. Calculated scores are divided into tertiles (0–22, 23–32, >32) and guidelines advocate that decisions should be based on this tertile (1). Syntax Score calculation is dependent on the subjective interpretation of coronary angiograms by Interventional Cardiologists (ICs) and is therefore prone to variability. Our institution consists of 13 ICs performing on average >5000 coronary procedures per year. We sought to compare syntax scoring amongst ICs.

Methods 10 patients with multi-vessel coronary artery disease who had previously been discussed by a Multi-Disciplinary team (MDT) were retrospectively identified. Eight ICs were asked to interpret the coronary angiograms and calculate a SS for each patient. Scoring was performed independently, with no knowledge of the score that had been used at the MDT discussion. Interobserver variability between raters for the raw syntax score was assessed using intraclass correlation coefficient. Interobserver variability between raters with respect to tertile was assessed using Fleiss kappa.

Results All 8 ICs completed scores for each patient. Mean calculated SS was 30.2 (± 6.7 SD). 21.3% of scores were 1st tertile (0–22), 45.0% were 2nd tertile (23–32) and 33.7% were 3rd tertile (>33). Mean range of calculated SS between raters was 18.5 (range 9.5 – 29). 40.0% of scores were divided across all 3 tertiles with the remaining 60.0% divided across 2 tertiles. Intraclass correlation coefficient of raw SS was 0.55 suggesting only fair agreement. The interobserver strength of agreement with regard to tertiles was also only fair (Fleiss Kappa=0.25; 95% CI [0.07, 0.43]). The interobserver strength of agreement improved to moderate when comparing tertile 1 vs tertile 2 or 3 together (Fleiss