# Role of Cardiothoracic Surgeon in Severe Multiple Trauma



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**Trauma CENTER**: hospital that meets certain requirements for the excellent care of trauma patients.

**Trauma SYSTEM**: regional system of care that includes all providers - prehospital, hospital and rehabilitation.

### Trauma systems

What makes effective a trauma system?

Effective pre-hospital providers and protocols

**Designated trauma centers** 

Trained and available trauma specialists and nurses

Rehabilitations

facilities

Communication and coordination

Trauma registry

Research program

# Ideal Trauma System

- Leadership
- System development
- Pre-hospital care
- Definitive hospital care
- Data collection
- Trauma system evaluation
- Public information
- Education and prevention
- Human resources
- Legislation and finances

## Trauma: The Genesis of a System

 1970s – Lessons from Viet Nam – Early transfer to surgery = improved outcomes

Translated to civilian environment

 Bypass Smaller Facilities With All Trauma – Exclusive Model

1966

NAS: Accidental Death and Disability - The Neglected Disease of Modern Society

National Highway Safety Act

- 1969
   MIEMSS
- 1971
   Illinois Trauma Program



- Exclusive System
  - Acts to centralize all injuries, regardless of type or severity, at tertiary centers
  - Excludes acute care facilities with unknown or variable capabilities
  - Favors over-triage to avoid any under-triage

- Problems with Exclusive System
  - Delayed transport → Delayed Care
  - Triage based on likelihood of admission rather than tiered resource utilization
  - Perpetuates non-participation of noncategorized facilities and places them outside the PI process.
  - Lack of experience during MCI

- 1973 Emergency Medical Services Act
- 1976: Optimal Hospital Resources for Care of the Injured Patient (ACS)
- 1979 Orange County Study
- 1992: The Model Trauma Care System Plan (HRSA, 2006))
  - Introduced "Inclusive System"

Inclusive System

 Assumes all acute care facilities are part of a larger integrated system

 Tiered approach built on known quantity of available & invariable resources

# Trauma System

# Inclusive vs. Exclusive

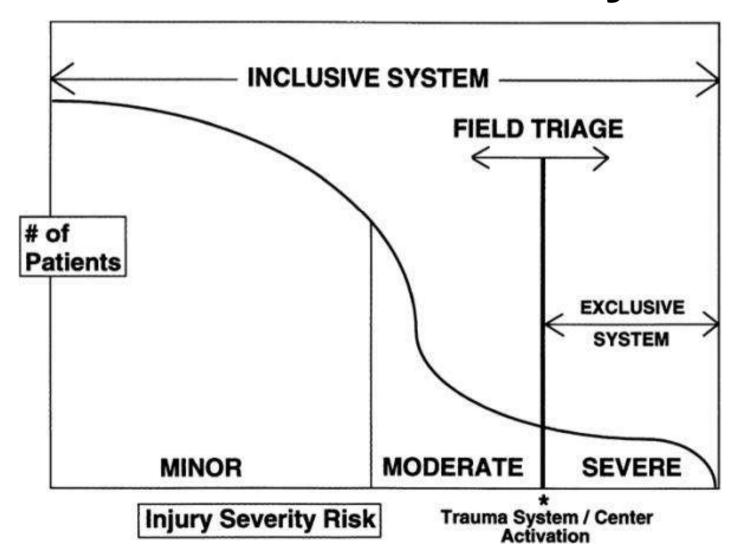
### **Exclusive Model**

- Improved Trauma Outcomes Penetrating Trauma
- Over-Triage and Selective Triage
- Patient Dumping
- Loss of Smaller Facility Utilization
- Unachievable in Rural Area

### **Inclusive Model**

- Developed in Washington and Oregon in 1990s
- Recognition That Most Injuries Don't Need Level I Trauma Care
- Increased Organizational Response at Smaller Facilities
- Less Over Triage and Selective Triage
- Role for All Facilities

# Innovative concept: Inclusive Trauma Care System



### **Inclusive system**

### **Exclusive system**

- All compassing approach,
   from <u>pre-hospital care</u>
   through <u>acute care</u> and <u>rehabilitation</u>
- Provide optimal care
   available resources for <u>all</u>
   <u>injured patients</u>
- less expensive
- more recent type

• Focuses only on the <u>major</u> <u>trauma patient</u> in the major trauma center cared for by the trauma team

- expensive
- traditional trauma system

# Trauma System

# Inclusive > Exclusive

# Inclusive Trauma System

- To match each trauma care facility's (or provider's) resources to the needs of injured patients
  - → every patient receives optimal care from the initial recognition of the injury through return to the community.
- To care for the most severely injured patients & for the majority of less severely injured.

### **Level I Trauma Center**

- Lead Hospital
- Designated as a regional resource leader within a service area
- Generally serves <u>large numbers of injured</u> <u>patients with a certain severity level of injury</u>
- Must be able to manage <u>large numbers of</u> <u>injured patients with a certain severity level of</u> <u>injury</u>
- Expected to conduct trauma research
- Be a leader in education, prevention and out reach activity

### Trauma Care Facilities

#### Level II

- Provides comprehensive trauma care in two environments
- population-dense area where this facility supplements the clinical activity and expertise of a Level I center
- A less population-dense area where the facility serves as the lead trauma facility for a geographic area when a Level I institution is not geographically close: Must have an outreach program that involves smaller institutions in its service area

### Trauma Care Facilities

#### Level III

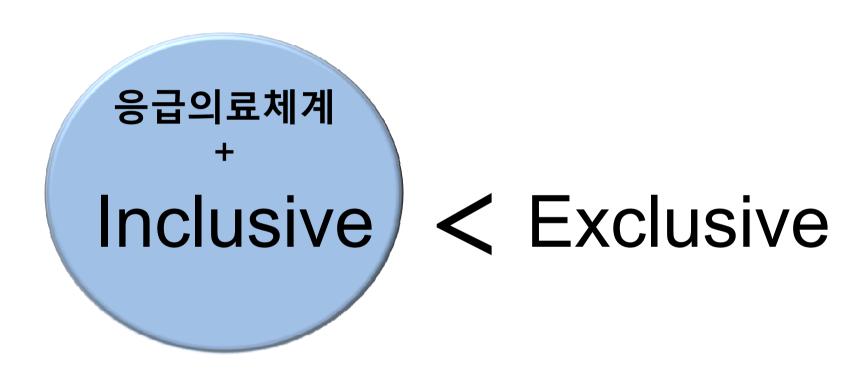
- Must have continuous general surgical coverage
- Must be capable of managing the initial care of the majority of injured
- Must have transfer agreements with other trauma hospitals for patients that exceed its patient care resources

#### **Level IV**

- Located in a rural area
- Usually supplements care within a larger trauma system
- Provide initial evaluation and assessment of injured patients, but most require transfer to higher level trauma centers

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# Trauma Center Type?

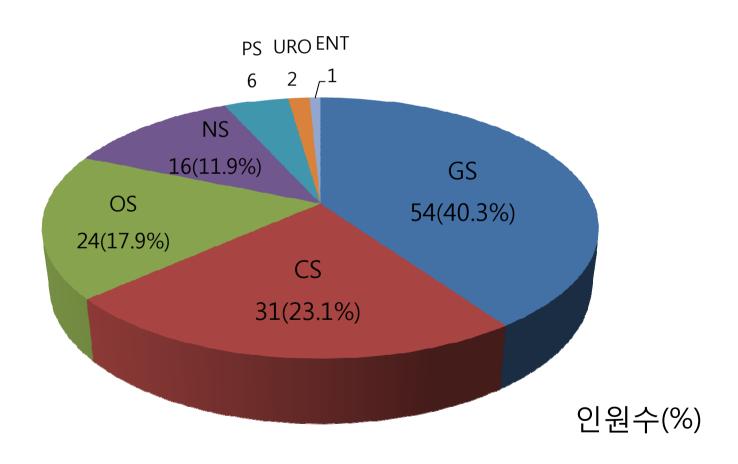






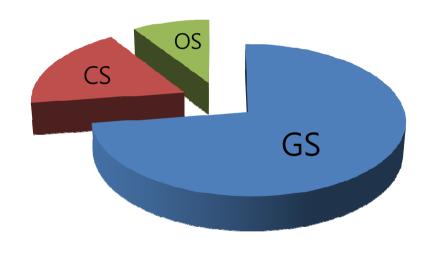


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# Lethal Injuries & Time to Death

Table 4. Cause of Death and Mechanism of Injury for Deaths Occurring Within the First Hour and 24 Hours After Arrival at the Hospital

Lethal injuries	All	Blunt	Penetrating
Central nervous system	165	92	73
Multiple*	63	56	7
Thoracic vascular	32	18	14
Abdominal vascular	18	0	18
Liver	6	4	2
Other	6	6	0
Total	290	176	114

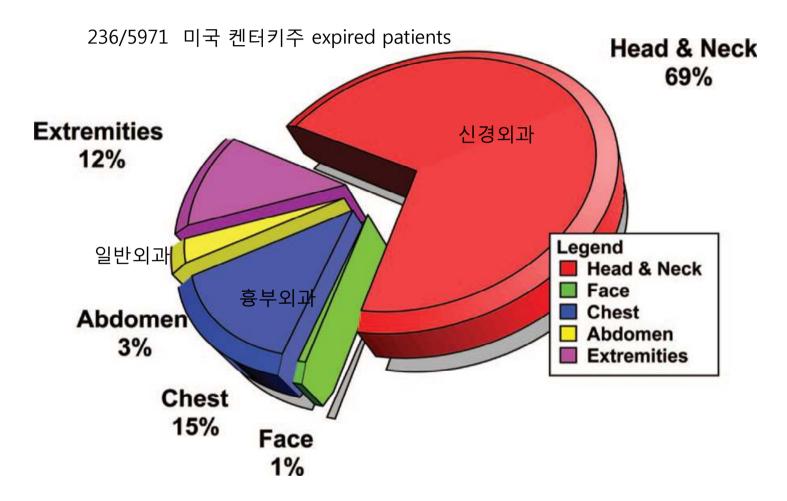
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# Lethal Injuries & Time to Death

Table 5. Cause of Death and Mechanism of Injury for Deaths Occurring After the First 24 Hours and Before 72 Hours After Arrival at the Hospital

Lethal injuries	All	Blunt	Penetrating
Central nervous system	77	59	18
Acute inflammatory process	7	6	1
Thoracic vascular	5	1	4
Multiple*	4	4	0
Abdominal vascular	1	0	1
Other	5	5	0
Total	99	75	24

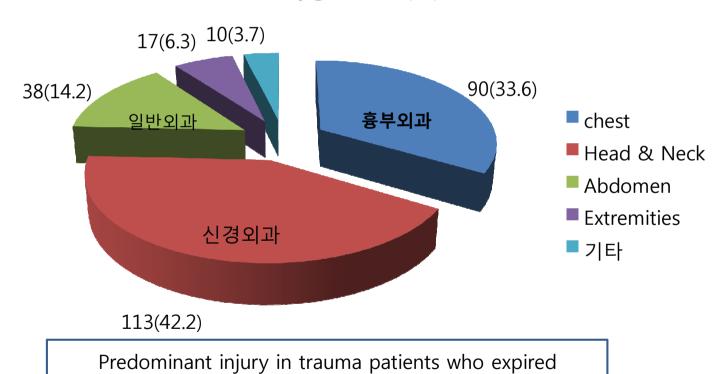
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### 국내사망환자 원인 분석(N=268/17001)

#### 사망원인 N(%)



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# Lethal Injuries & Time to Death

Table 2. Cause of Death and Mechanism of Injury for Deaths Occurring Within the First 15 Minutes After Arrival at the Hospital

Lethal injuries	All	Blunt	Penetrating
Thoracic vascular	103	33	73
Central nervous system	65	33	32
Multiple*	28	24	4
Pelvic fracture	1	1	0
Liver	3	2	1
Abdominal vascular	15	6	9
Other	4	4	0
Total	219	103	119

<sup>\*</sup>Multiple injuries are cause of death.

# Lethal Injuries & Time to Death

Table 3. Cause of Death and Mechanism of Injury for Deaths Occurring Within the First 16–60 Minutes After Arrival at the Hospital

Lethal injuries	All	Blunt	Penetrating
Thoracic vascular	49	6	43
Central nervous system	25	16	9
Multiple*	26	21	5
Liver	4	4	0
Abdominal vascular	11	1	10
Other	4	2	2
Total	119	50	69

<sup>\*</sup>Multiple injuries are cause of death.

Mechanism	n	Percent
MVC	187	43.0
Fall	61	14.0
Firearms	49	11.0
Motorcycle crash	20	5.0
Pedestrian struck	18	4.0
Hangings	17	4.0
ATV—bicycle	16	4.0
Industrial	14	3.0
Stab wounds	8	2.0
Horses	7	2.0
Aircraft	5	1.0
Other	32	7.0
Total	434	100

TABLE 5. Preventability Rates		
N 100	n	Percent
Preventability for all cases (N = 434)		
FP	3	0.7
PP	26	6.0
NP deaths	405	93.3
Preventability for cases surviving to care (N = 261)		
FP	3	1.0
PP	26	10.0
NP deaths	232	89.0

TABLE 6. Opportunities for Improvement of Care—by Phase of Care

Phase of Care (Patient Contacts)	Inappropriate Care Related to	Number of Occurrences*	Patient Contacts (%)
Prehospital	Airway management	58	45
(n = 254)	C-spine	10	8
	Documentation	13	10
	Fluid resuscitation	31	24
	Medication	18	14
Total prehospital		130	
ED (n = 248)	Airway management	28	17
	Documentation	24	15
	Fluid resuscitation	18	11
	Evaluation of abdomen or chest	14	8
	Inappropriate imaging/ diagnostics	16	10
	Management of chest injury	17	10
	Other	39	24
	Recognition of injury severity	9	5
Total ED		165	
Post-ED (n = 141)	Documentation	4	7
	Fluid resuscitation	2	4
	Inappropriate operation	17	30
	Management or monitoring of head injury	4	7
	Other	21	38
	Treatment of rebleeding	4	7
	Ventilator care	4	7
Total post-ED		56	
Total all phases		351	

<sup>\*</sup> Some patients were noted to have multiple errors in a single phase of care.

# Trauma surgery

- <u>surgical specialty</u> involved in the invasive treatment of physical injuries, typically in an emergency setting
- most injuries to the <u>neck</u>, <u>chest</u>, <u>abdomen</u>
   & <u>extremities</u>
- initial resuscitation & stabilization of the patient, as well as ongoing evaluation & management (surgical critical care)
- leads the trauma team

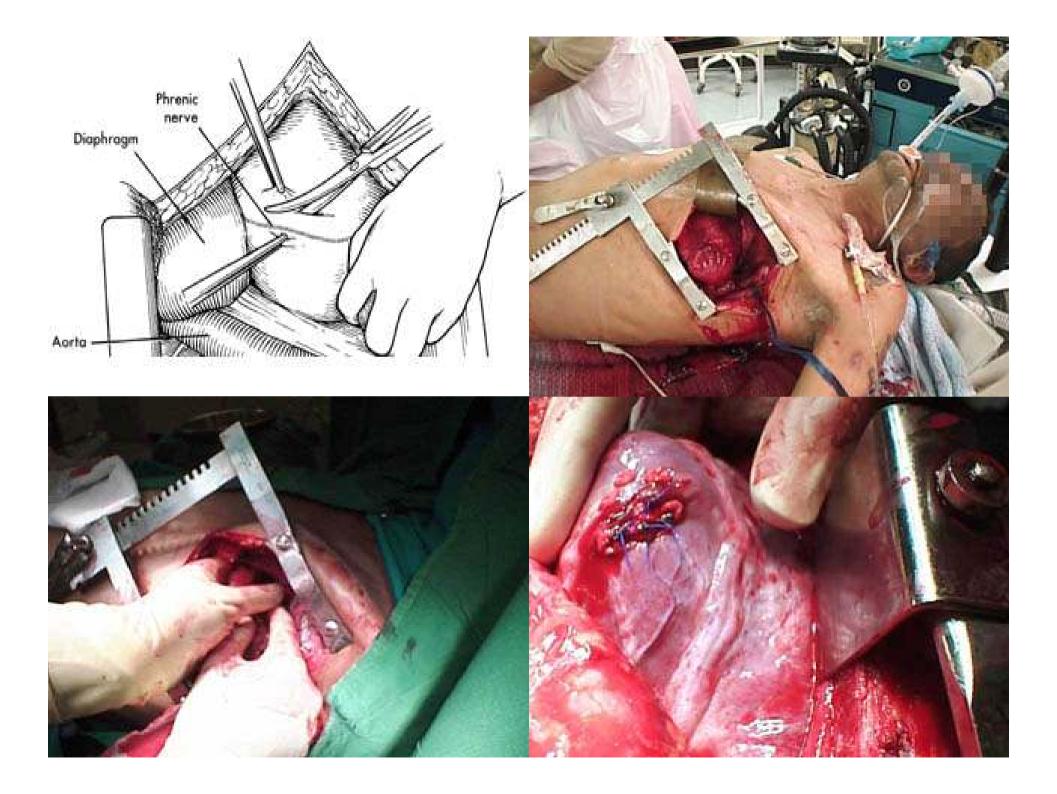
# **ER** thoracotomy

#### **Accepted Indications**; selected patients

- Penetrating thoracic injury
  - Traumatic arrest with previously witnessed cardiac activity
  - Unresponsive hypotension (BP < 70 mmHg)
- Blunt thoracic injury
  - Unresponsive hypotension (BP < 70 mmHg)
  - Rapid exsanguination from chest tube (> 1500 ml)

#### **Contraindications**; unnecessary thoracotomy

- Blunt injuries
  - Blunt thoracic injuries with no witnessed cardiac activity
  - Multiple blunt trauma
  - Severe head injury



# **Airway Management**

### Tracheostomy

### **PDT**

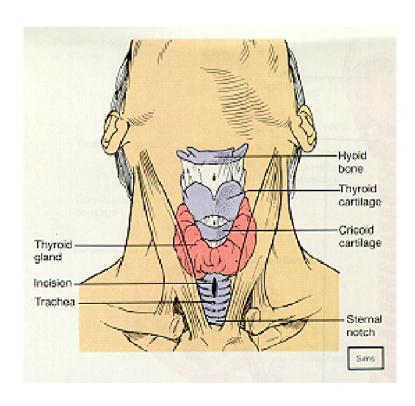


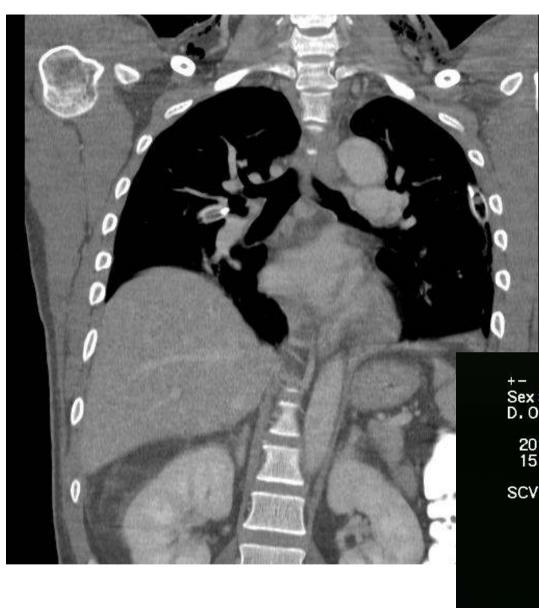


FIGURE 2. Percutaneous dilational tracheostomy (Ciaglia technique). From deBoisblanc BP. Percutaneous dilational tracheostomy techniques. Clin Chast Mag. 2003;24:399-407, with permission from Eleguer.

# The Role of Surgeon

(airway management)

- †Tracheostomy outside OR(ICU)
- PDT > ST
- 7% of elective PDT : conversion to ST
- Contraindications of PDT
  - morbid obesity
  - repeated tracheostomy
  - high PEEP
  - severe coagulopathy
  - unusual neck anatomy
- Optimal technique & Timing

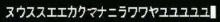


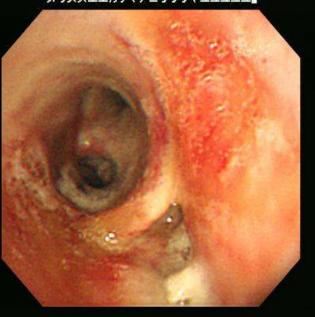
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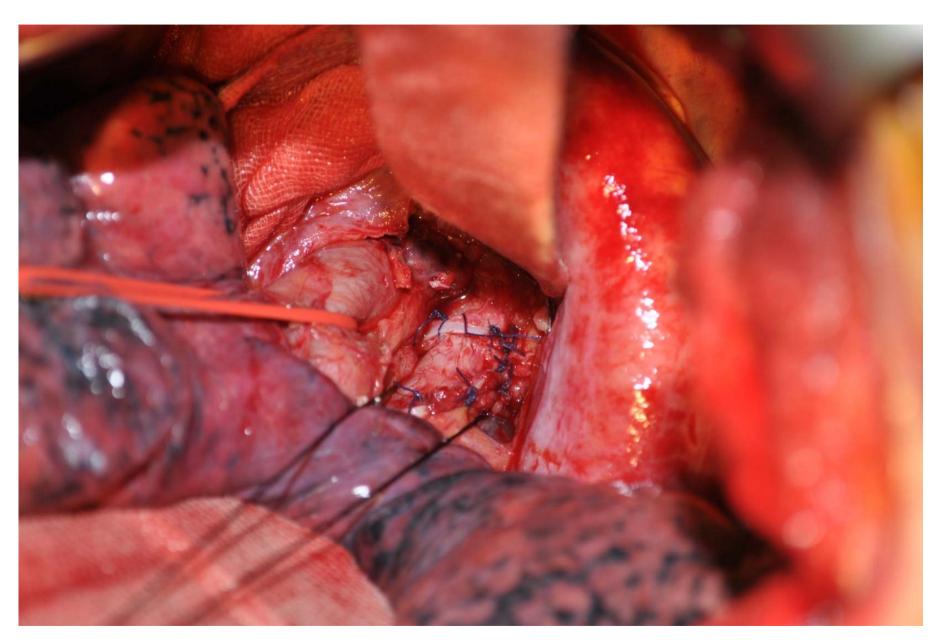
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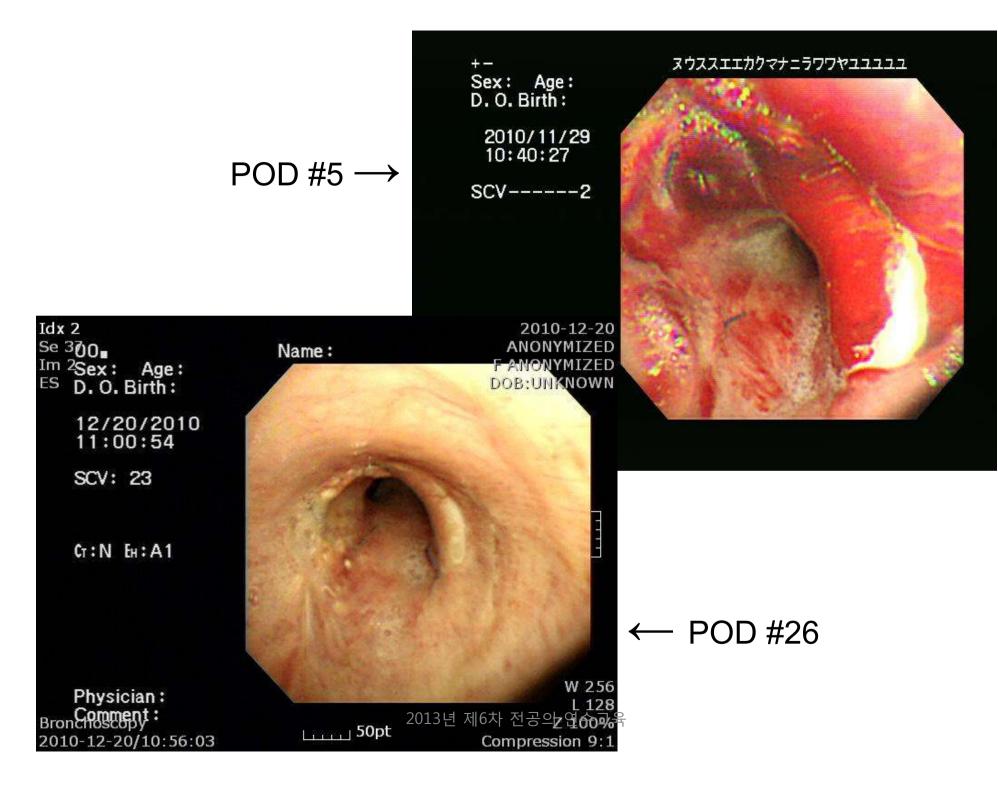




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Variables	<48hrs(n=17)	>48hrs(n=13)	p-value
Age	34.7	46.3	0.413
Gender(M:F)	14:3	9:4	
Op date	1.38	8.17	0.00
ISS	18.1	27.0	0.011
RTS	7.18	6.86	0.062
CT진단	12/14(87.5%)	5/11(45.5%)	0.011
Cause			
blunt	11	13	
penetrating	6	0	
Operation			
repair	12	6	
end-to end	1	2	
lung resection	0	4(pneu:1,lob:3)	
observation	4	1	
Symptoms			
subcutaneous emphysema	17	12	
pneumothorax	5	5	
bleeding	4	0	
intubation	2	6	
Diagnosis			
bronchoscopy	14	11	
no bronchoscopy	3	2	
Mortality	1(shock)	1(ARDS)	

# Flail chest & Pulmonary contusion

## V/Q mismatch

- PEEP/CPAP, extubation as early as possible

## Pulmonary toilet

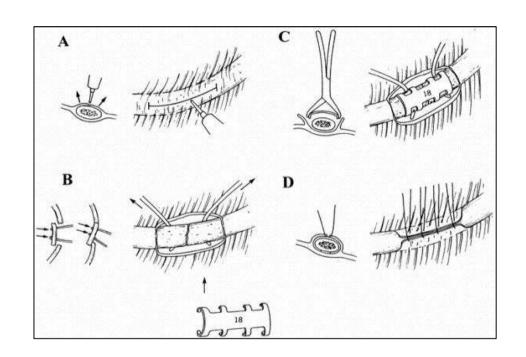
- Physiotherapy, NT suctioning
- Timely tracheostomy

## Fluid resuscitation

- Colloids? / Hypertonic saline?
- Pain management : epidural PCA / TPVB
- Surgical fixation : selected patients

# **Prospective Trial from Japan**

- 37 flail chest patients
   Randomization after
   5 days on ventilation
  - -18 rib fixation
  - -19 internal pneumatic

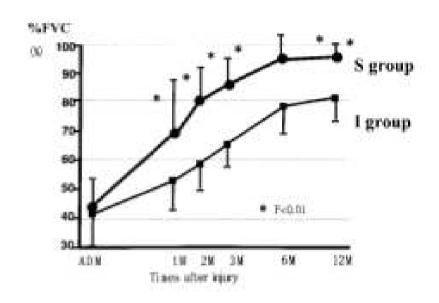


Group Sex (M/F) Age (yr)	Sex	1 (1922) 23(1)	100	No. of	Site of Flail Segment			Pao <sub>9</sub> /Fio <sub>9</sub> at	Tube
	Age (yr)	ISS	Fractures	AL.	PL.	Stove-In Chest	Admission	Thoracotomy	
Surgical (n = 18)	12/6	43 ± 12	33 ± 11	8.2 ± 3.3	11	4	3	223 ± 68	18/18
Internal (n = 19)	14/5	46 ± 9	30 ± 8	$8.2 \pm 2.6$	14	3	3.	256 ± 34	19/19
p Value	NS	NS	NS	NS.	NS	NS	NS	NS	NS

# **Immediate Results**

	Surgical (n=18)	"internal" (n=19)	
Pneumonia, day 7	5%	16%	NS
Pneumonia, day 21	22%	90%	<.05
Ventilator days, total (post-op)	10.8 (2.5)	18.3	<.05
Tracheostomy, day 7	0	5/19	NS
Tracheostomy, day 21	3/18	15/19	<.05
Total ICU stay (post-op)	16.5 (9.2)	26.8	<.05
Medical expense	\$13,455	\$23,423	<0.5

# **Long-term Results**

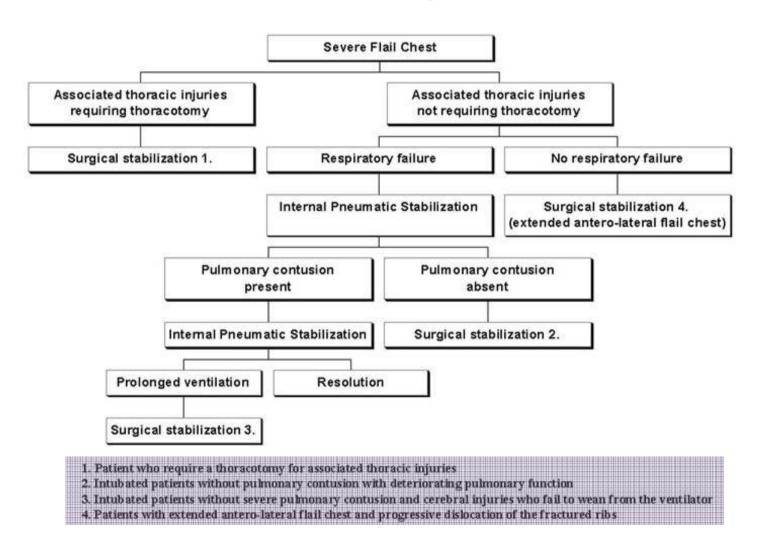


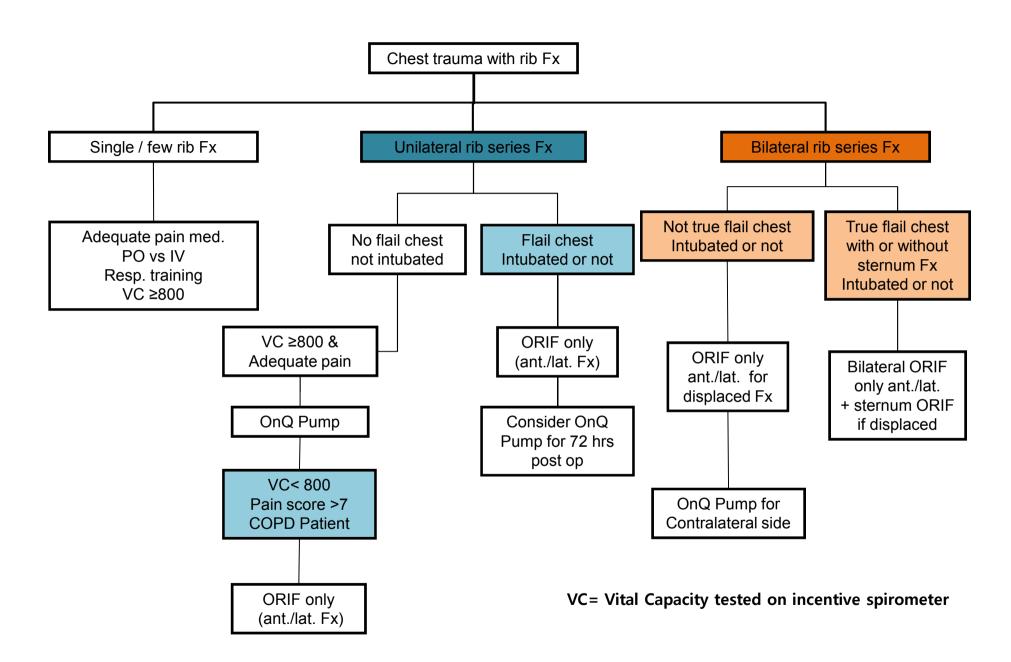
Forced expiratory functional capacity, 0-12 months

### Questionnaire at 12 months after injury

	I group	S group	p value
Chest tightness	16/19(84%)	6/18(33%)	<0.05
Thoracic cage pain	17/19(89%)	7/18(39%)	<0.05
Dyspnea on effort	12/19(63%)	5/18(28%)	<0.05

# "Italian" Algorithm





# **Guidelines of severe MRF(KYUH)**

### Early Surgical Stabilization

- Combined thoracic injury emergency thoracotomy
- Flail chest with respiratory distress
   lung contusion / lung parenchymal injury
- Anterolateral severe dislocation

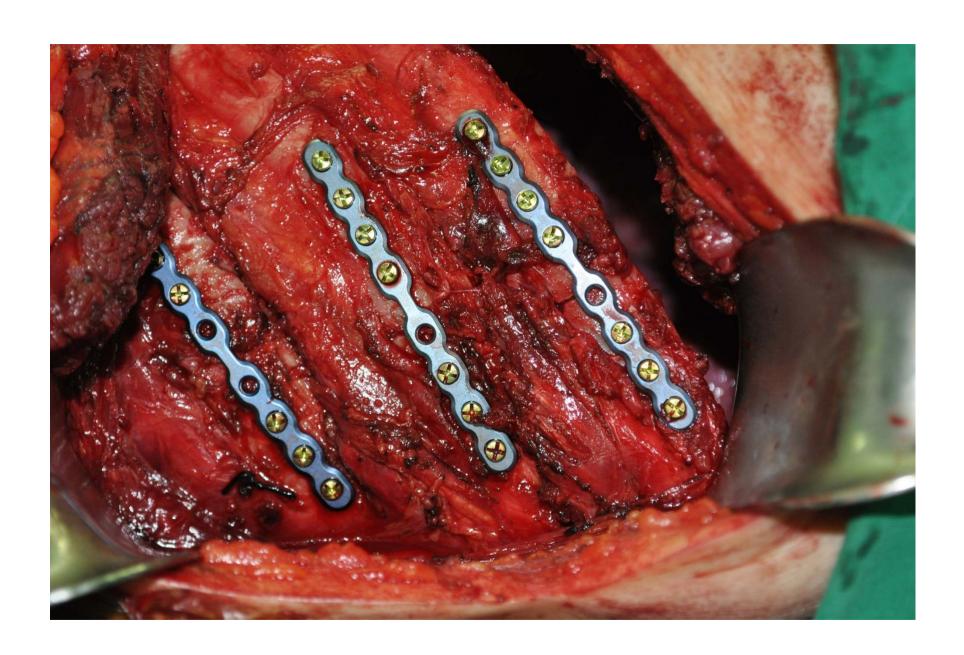
### Late Surgical Stabilization

- Associated injuries : head/abdomen
- Malalignment : nonunion/malunion
- Chronic pain : intercostal neuralgia

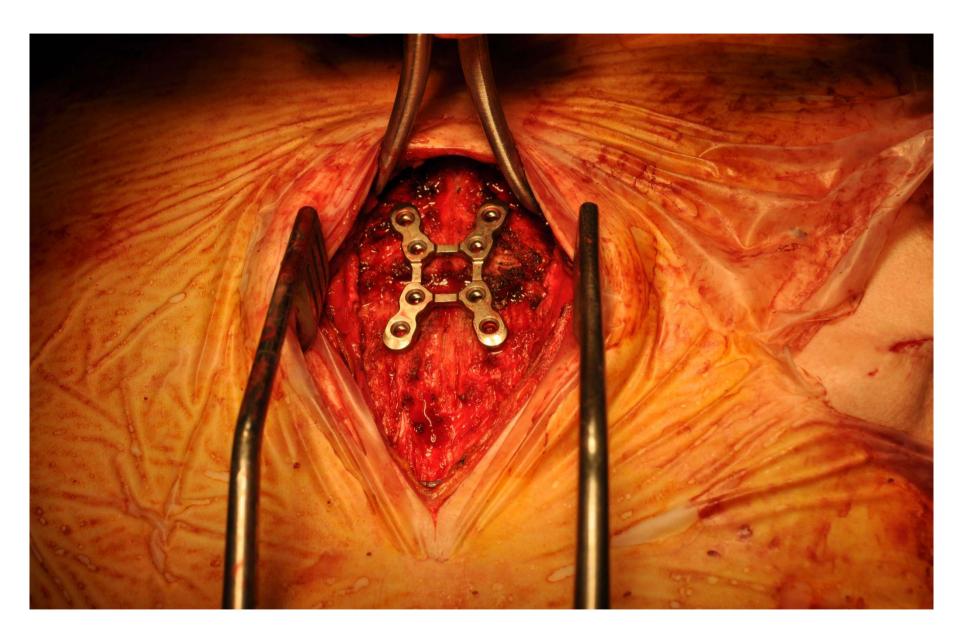
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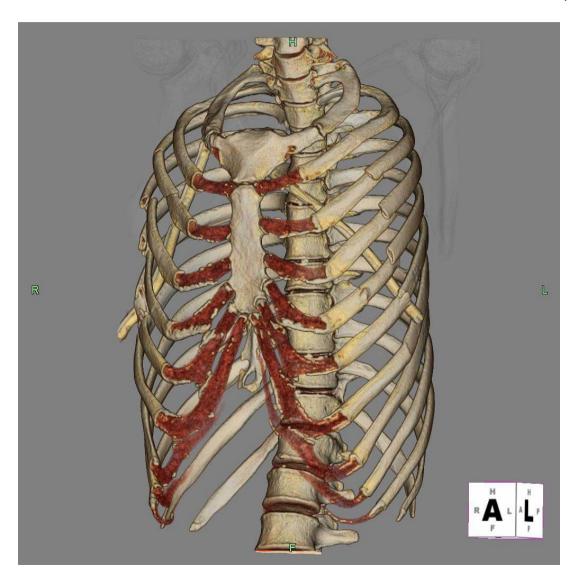


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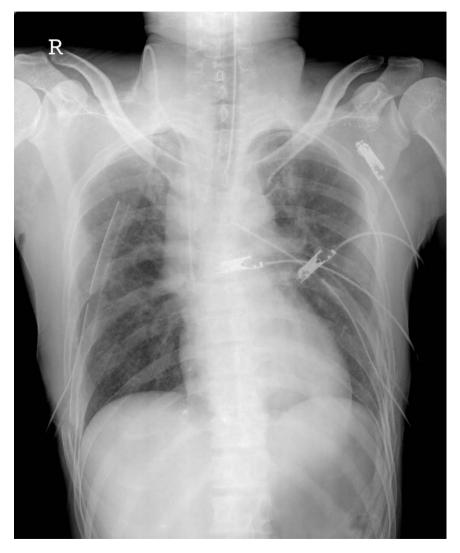
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# Flail chest: M/40, direct hit





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# Clinical Study in KYUH

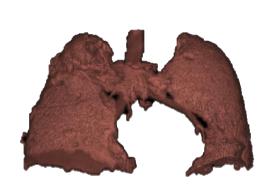
- Duration: 2008. 11 2010. 10
- M:F = 58:22, Age: 57.8±14.1years old
- Multiple Fx: 64(80.0%)
   hemo/pneumothorax: 59(73.8%)
   bilateral or sternal Fx: 19(23.8%)
- Rib fixation: 5.3±3.7/person
- Follow up: 7.4±2.4 months
- Lung Volume(3D-CT) / PFT / ABGA

# Integrity of Chest Wall

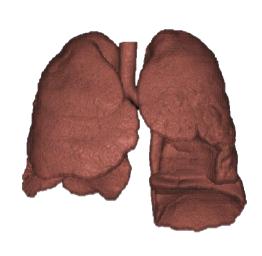




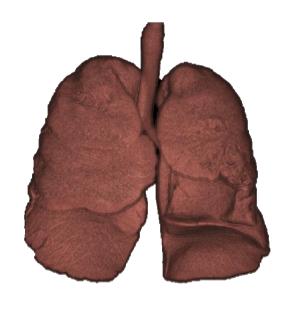
# **Quantitative CT**: Lung Volume



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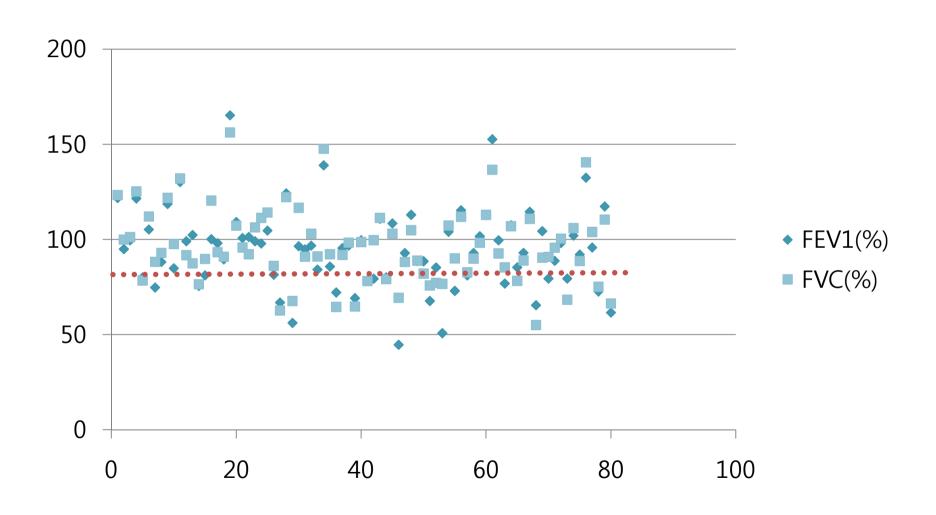


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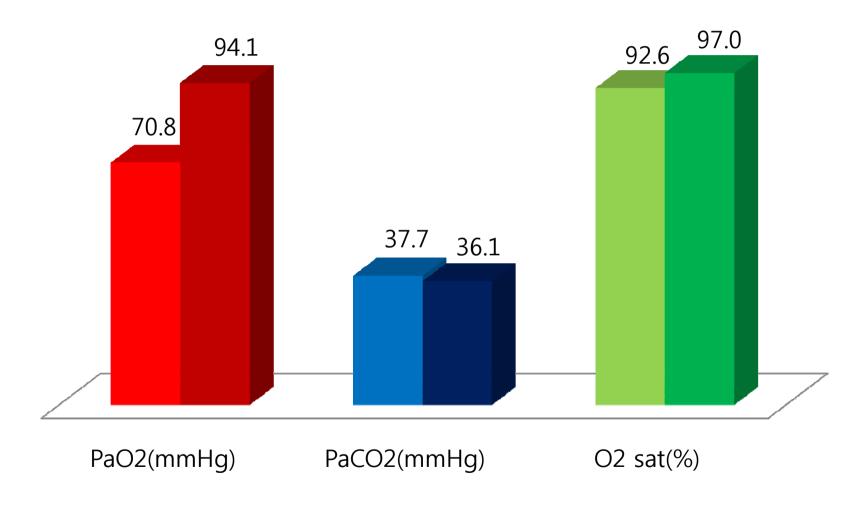
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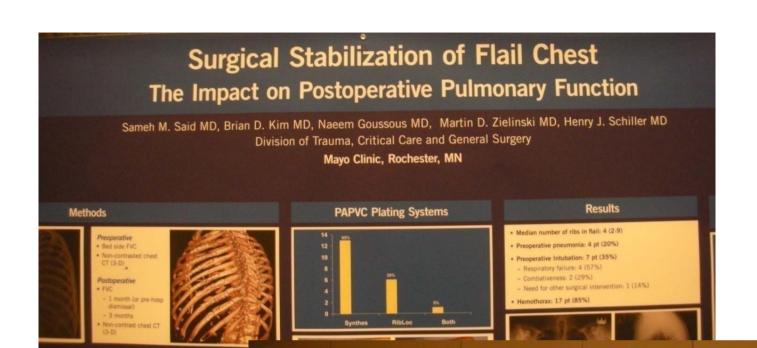
# PFT(postop 6mons)



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# ABGA(pre & post op)





Surgical Technique

EVALUATION OF PATIENT VITAL CAPACITY AND PAIN FOLLOWING
RIB OPEN REDUCTION INTERNAL FIXATION FOR FLAIL CHEST

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## **Blunt Thoracic Aorta Injury**

 85% of trauma victims dies before reaching the hospital: major cause of death in severe trauma

### **Survivors**

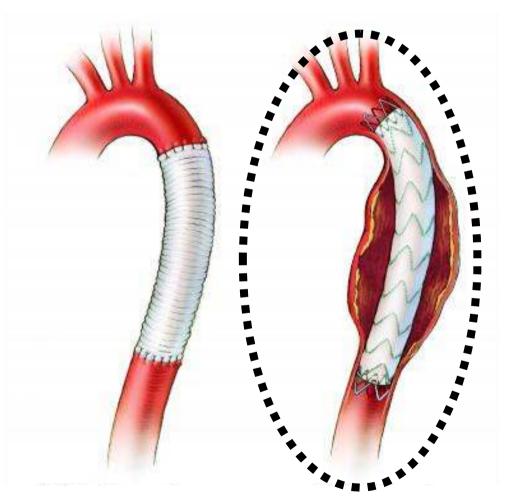
→ 30% mortality within the first 6 hours 50% mortality within the first 24 hours

Am J Surg 152:660-663, 1986

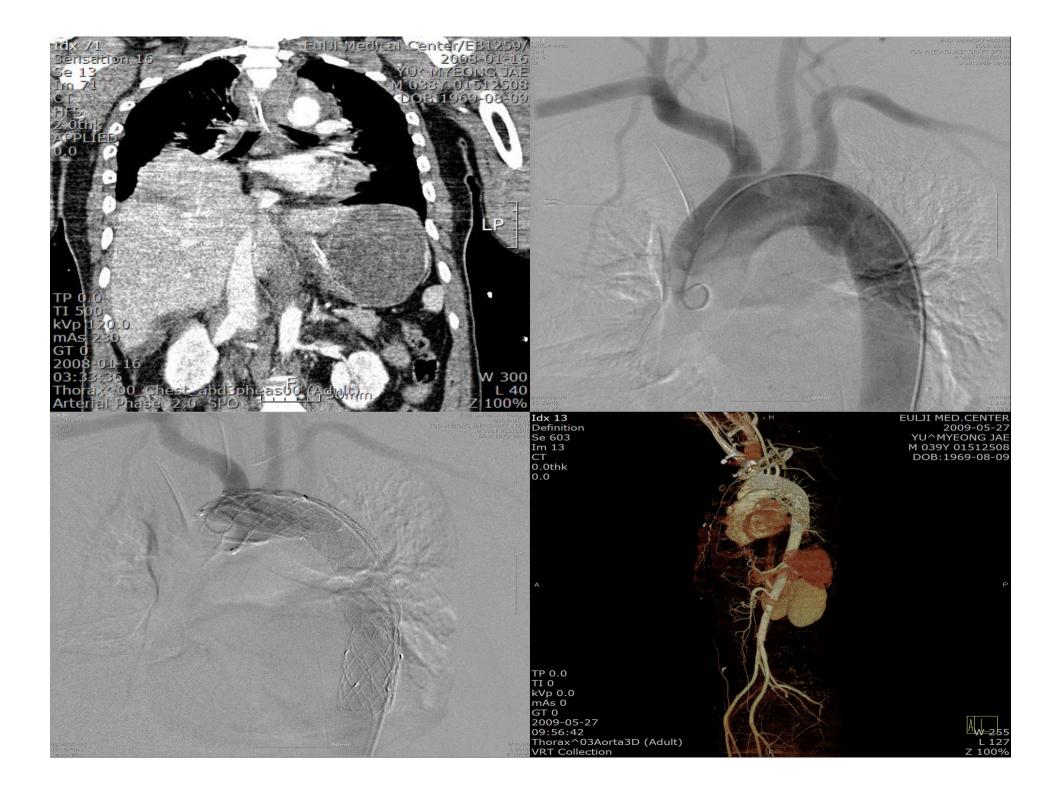
→ 2~5% of patients of survive without operation chronic false aneurysm(pseudoaneurysm)

# **Operation** versus

## **Stent graft**



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# **Table 4** Potential Advantages and Disadvantages of Thoracic Endovascular Grafting

### Potential Advantages

Less invasive

Hazards of anticoagulation (left heart bypass)

Avoidance of thoracotomy

No single-lung ventilation:

Respiratory failure/lung contusion

Avoidance of aortic cross-clamping:

Cerebral perfusion pressure in head-injured patients

#### Potential Disadvantages

No specific endograft for this clinical entity available

Requirement for endograft flexibility, conformability and alignment

Unknown long-term durability/issues of material fatigue

Definite therapy or bridging with EVAR

Effect of covering of the left subclavian artery in the

long-term

Requirement of guide-wire manipulation (cerebral embolization)

#### EVAR, endovascular repair.

# Emergency Operation(2009:KYUH)

Type of Injury	Number(%)
Blunt thoracic trauma	19(57.6)
Aortic rupture	1
LV rupture	1
Hemopericardium	2
Peripheral vascular rupture	6
Diaphragm rupture	1
Multiple rib fractures	3
Flail chest	1
Bronchus rupture	1
Esophageal rupture	1
Lung laceration	2

# Emergency Operation(2009:KYUH)

Type of Injury	Number(%)
Penetrating thoracic trauma	10(30.3)
RV rupture Hemopericardium Peripheral vascular rupture Laceration of chest wall Rib fractures Diaphragm rupture	1 1 3 1 3 1
Others	4(12.1)
Foreign body in esophagus Laceration of oropharynx	3 1

## CPB / DHCA in trauma-1

- Overall mortality: 44.4%
   selected series of CPB(trauma setting)
- 4/5 survivors : early institution of CPB first procedure in operative management
- 3/4 deaths: late institution of CPB
- Potential benefit in <u>noncardiac injuries</u>
   †outcomes in severely injured patients

## CPB / DHCA in trauma-2

- Descending aorta / Pulmonary contusion
   Femoral artery-aorta
   oxygenation & spinal perfusion
- Retrohepatic IVC / Liver
   RA-aorta, circulatory arrest
   rapid repair(8-12min) in a bloodless field
- Hypothermia(26-28℃)
   Femoral-femoral
   rapid rewarming & resuscitation

# **Education & Training**

- General care : resident program
   Fluid therapy / Nutrition / Surgical skill
- Cadiothoracic-specific : fellowship

Thoracic trauma

airway injury / flail chest

Cardiovascular trauma

TEVAR / embolization

vascular surgery

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## **Discussion**

- Care of trauma patients
   more appealing & sustainable alternative
   financially sustainable / professionally attractive
- Cardiothoracic-specific management
   Emergency thoracotomy; Airway management
   MRF/SF; Flail chest; Cardiovascular trauma
   ECMO; IABP; Hypothermia; CPB / DHCA