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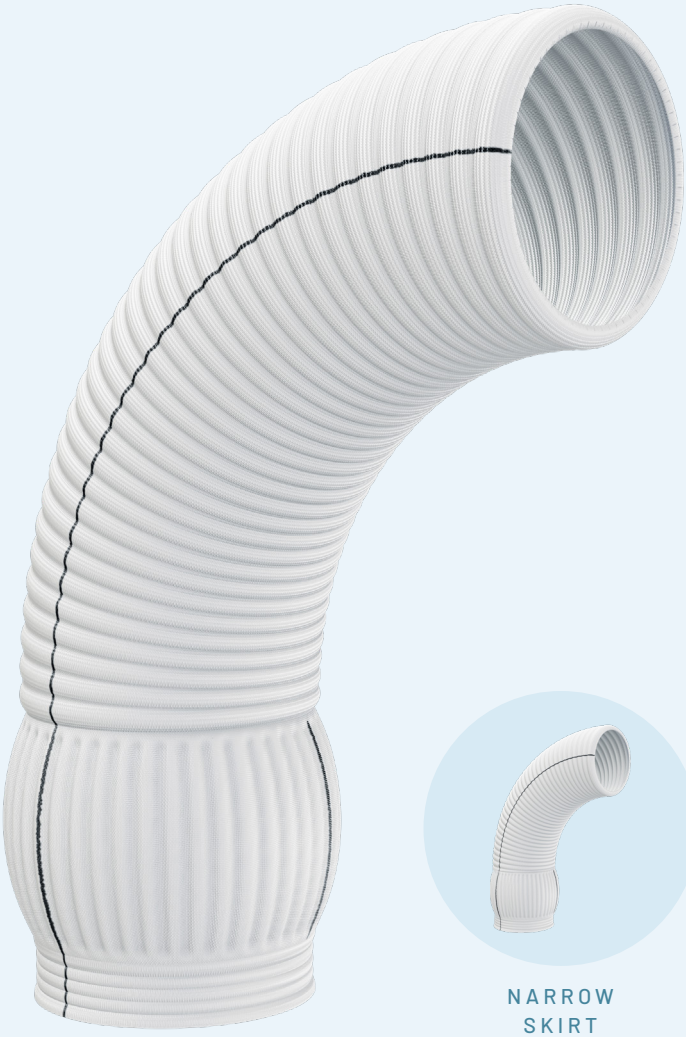

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Recreating the Space whilst Respecting the Anatomy.

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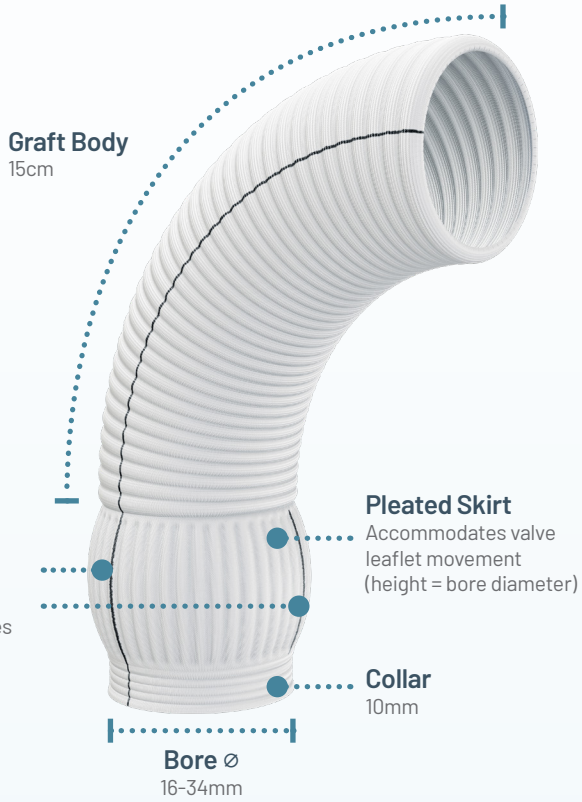
GELWEAVE™ VALSALVA

The world's **FIRST** anatomically designed aortic root graft [1]

Engineered for physiological valve leaflet movement and reduced tension on coronary ostia anastomoses.[1]

Why Choose Valsalva?



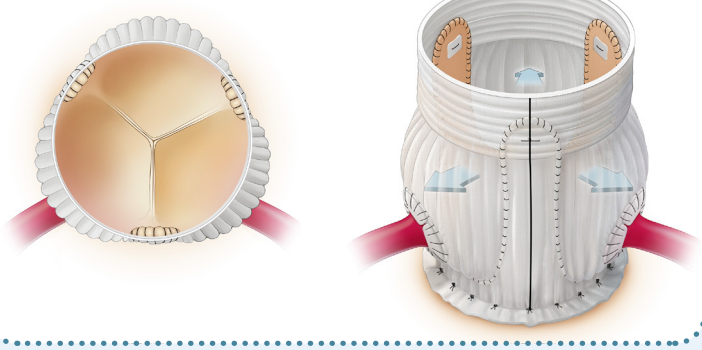
- 20 years clinical experience [2]
- 150,000+ Global Implants**
- Gelatin sealed woven Gelweave™ polyester
- Anatomically mimics the sinus of Valsalva
- Achieve optimal reconstruction of the Aortic Root[2]
- Reduced Aortic Wall Shear Stress[4]

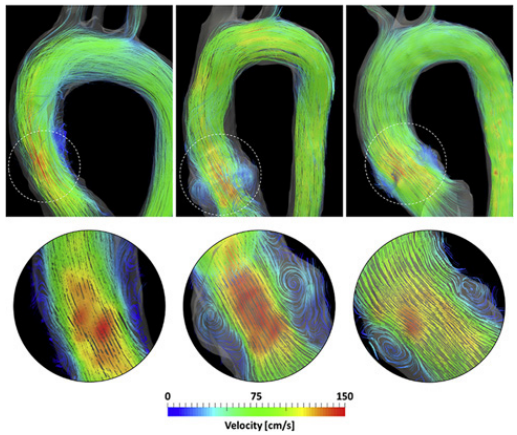
92.2%
+/- 2.1%
Estimated Freedom from recurrent AR*(≥3) @ 20 years [2]
(265 patients)

95.9%
+/- 1.6%
Estimated Freedom from reoperation @ 20 years [2]
(265 patients)

0%
Intraoperative Leakage [3]
(0/400 patients)

"The sinotubular junction and sinuses of Valsalva are crucial for the normal functioning of the valve" [1]





3D Visualisation of blood flow at peak systole [4]

* AR = Aortic Regurgitation
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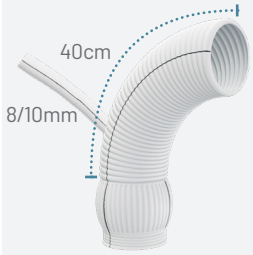
Made to Order* Options

Graft solutions to meet the evolving surgical needs.

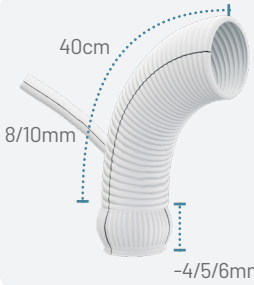
Global Availability

24-34mm bore diameter



Ante-Flo

- **8mm** or **10mm** side branch
- Facilitates antegrade perfusion
- **40cm** body length

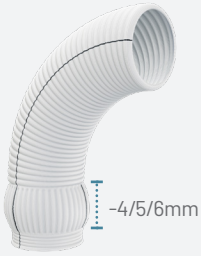


Ante-Flo – Short Skirt

- **8mm** or **10mm** side branch
- Facilitates antegrade perfusion
- **40cm** body length
- Skirt **4-6mm** shorter than bore diameter
- Accommodates shorter commissures

Narrow Skirt

- Skirt **+4mm** wider than bore diameter
  (standard Valsalva skirt is 5-10mm larger)
- Accommodates smaller valves



Short Skirt

- Skirt **4-6mm** shorter than bore diameter
- Accommodates shorter commissures

Florida Sleeve

- **Coronary Ostium** cut-out "keyhole"
- Allows skirt to position around the coronary artery
- Accommodates off-set coronary arteries

2000 (14th February) **First implant**

2002 Launched in the **USA**

2005 Launched in **Japan**

2009 Smaller diameters introduced

2010 **10 year data** (Scientific publication)[5]

2015 Global distribution in >70 countries

2019 Over **100,000** implants**

2020 Marked the **20th year**

2025

Celebrating 25 years of **Gelweave™ Valsalva**

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Biological Bentall Procedures

The Gelweave™ Valsalva Sinus Design:

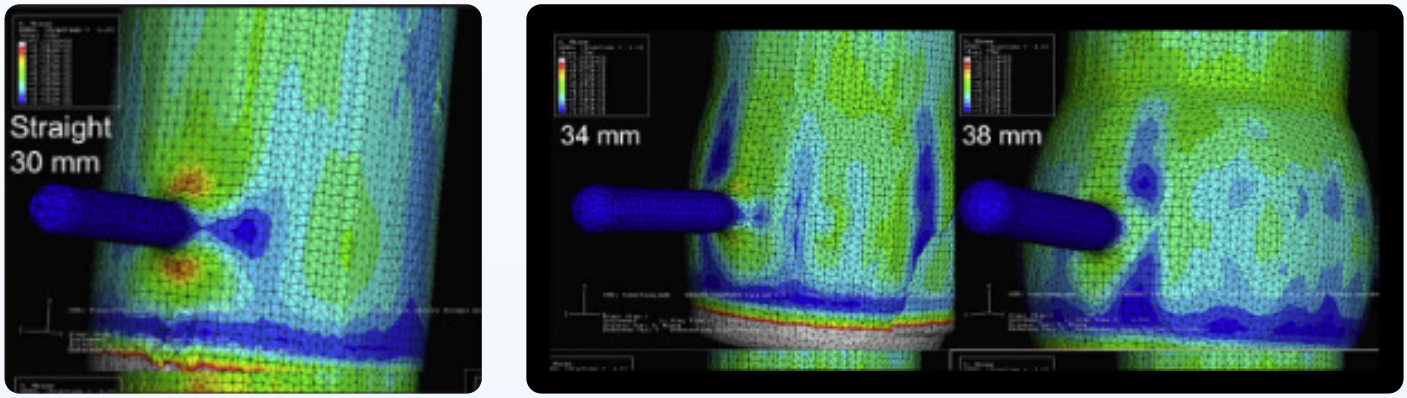
Recreate the Space

- Allows a **space** to be created between stented valve struts and the graft wall **minimising the potential of coronary button complications** [6]
- Enables stentless and stented biological **valve conduits** to be created [6,7] resulting in a **more physiologic flow pattern** [9]

Respect the Anatomy

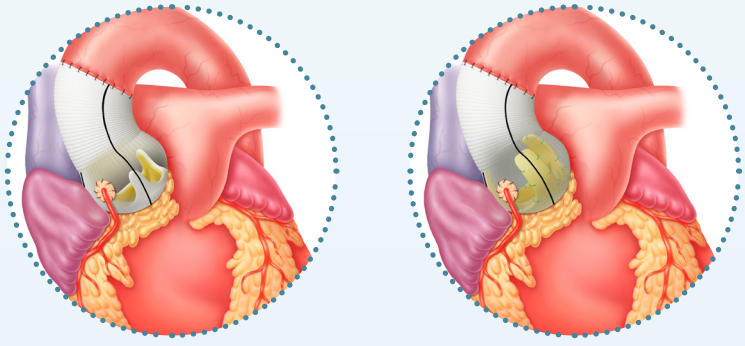
- Provides the potential to **reduce tension on the coronary buttons** [6,7]
- **Reduces the risk of leaflet contact** with the graft wall during systole [7]
- Potential for **increased valve longevity** [7]

Straight graft | *Gelweave™ Valsalva grafts*



Computer generated 3-D aortic root models showing changes in stress pattern on the annulus and reimplanted coronary arteries depending upon graft shape [8]

Implanted assembled biological valve conduits



Representative image of Gelweave™ Valsalva graft with stented valve added in situ

Representative image of Gelweave™ Valsalva graft with stentless valve added in situ

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Valve-Sparing Procedures

The Gelweave™ Valsalva Sinus Design:

Recreate the Space

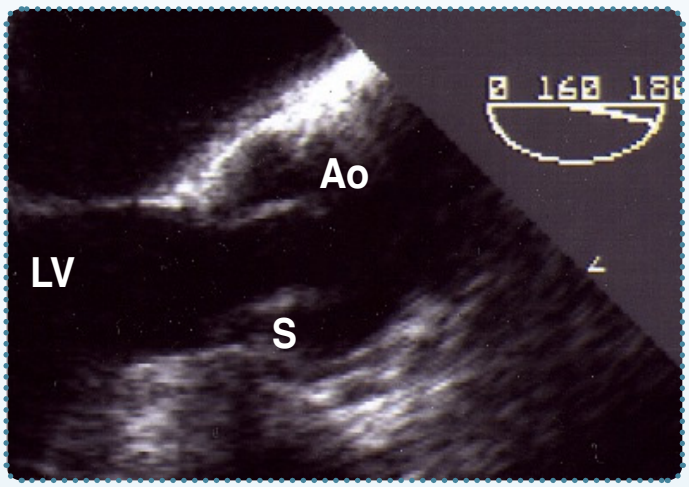
- Closely **matches aortic root anatomy** [1]
- Effectively mimics [9] and **generates the 3 independent sinuses of Valsalva** [5,9]

Respect the Anatomy

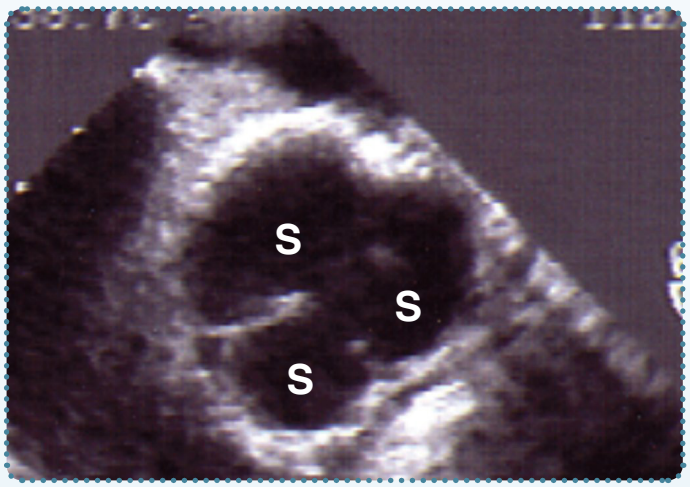
- More **physiologic valve motion** [10,11*] with **potential for increased valve longevity** [12]
- Provides the potential to **reduce tension on the coronary anastomoses** [10]
- Reimplantation with the **Gelweave Valsalva graft maintains annular stability** [13]

Valve-Sparing Reimplantation

Postoperative Gelweave™ Valsalva graft sinus geometry



Long axis view of the aortic root during systole showing sinus geometry and space between the valve leaflets and graft wall. (LV = left ventricle, S = sinus, Ao = aorta)



Short axis view of the sinus region during diastole illustrating the presence of 3 discrete sinuses (S).

* Compared to a "standard" straight polyester graft

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(David "reimplantation" technique)

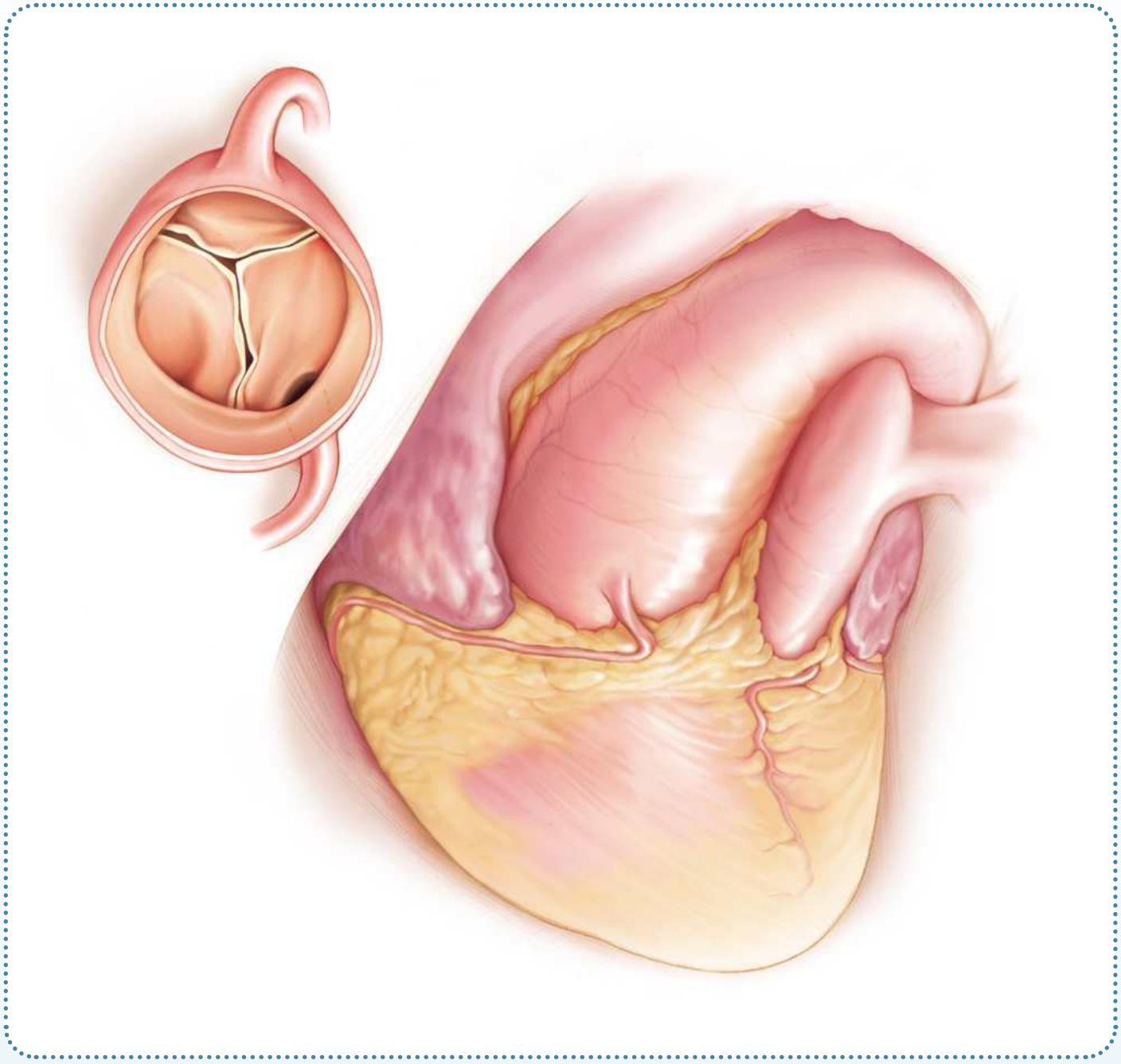

Figure 1: Exposure of the aortic root and valve.

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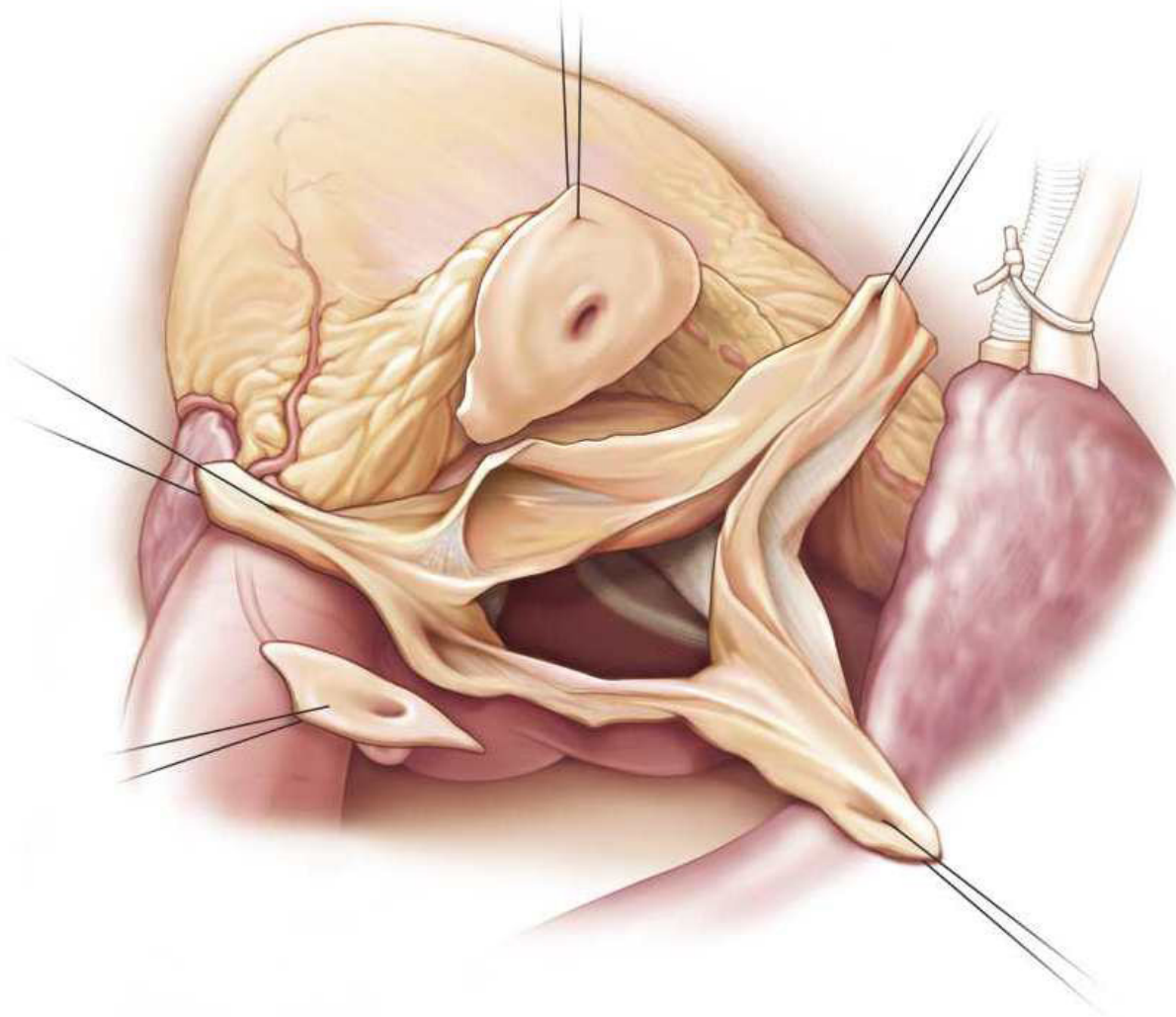

Figure 2: Removal of the diseased tissue and isolation of the 3 commissures and 2 coronary buttons.

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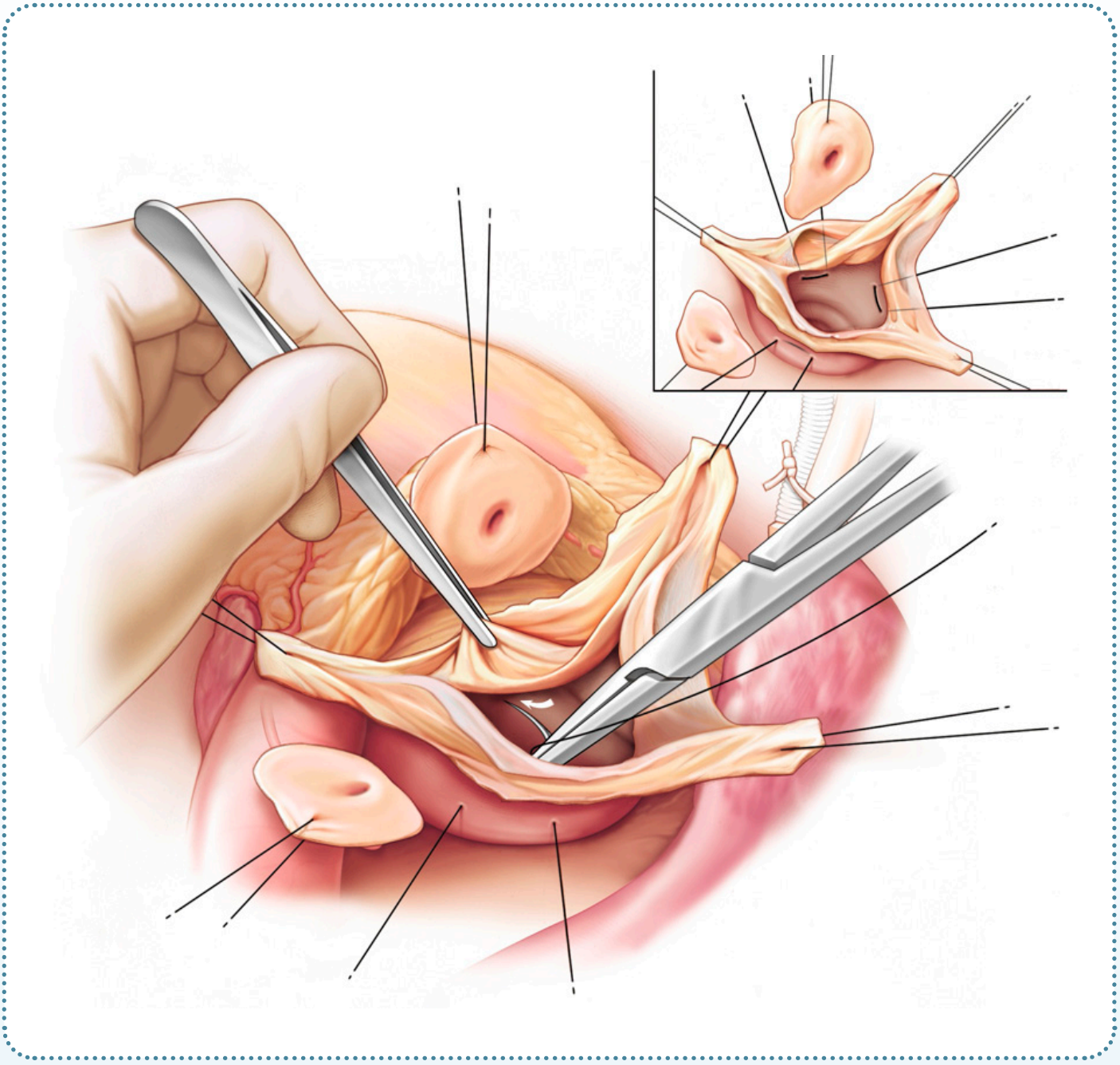

Figure 3: Placement of sub-annular interrupted sutures.

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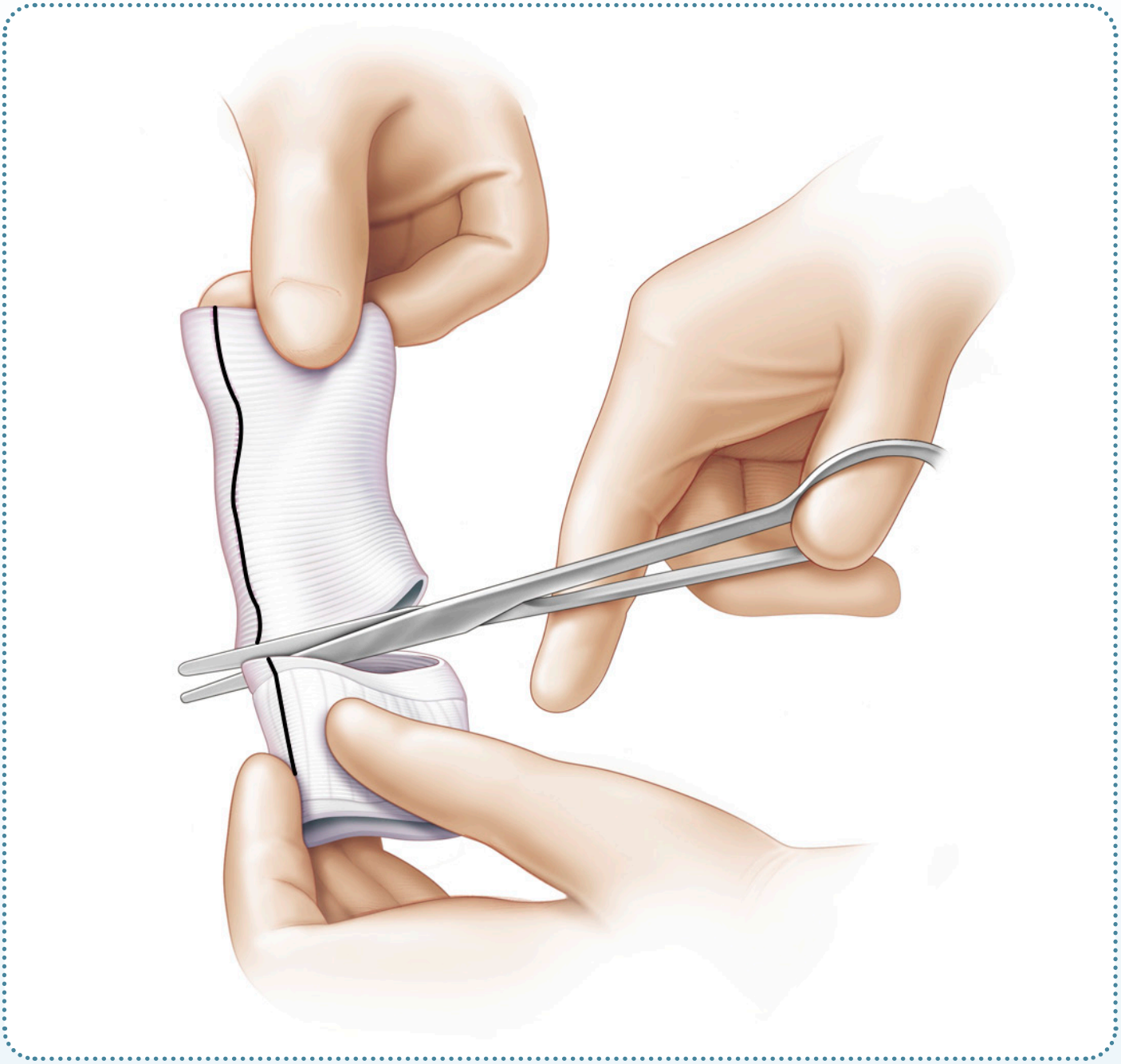

Figure 4: After selecting the required diameter of graft* the collar is trimmed ensuring that the commissures, when the graft is in position, reach the level of the new sinotubular junction. The graft distal to the skirt is then also trimmed.

** Size the graft according to optimal "sinotubular junction" ... usually 30mm.*
(Professor Duke Cameron, Surgery of the Thoracic Aorta, Bologna, Italy 2003)

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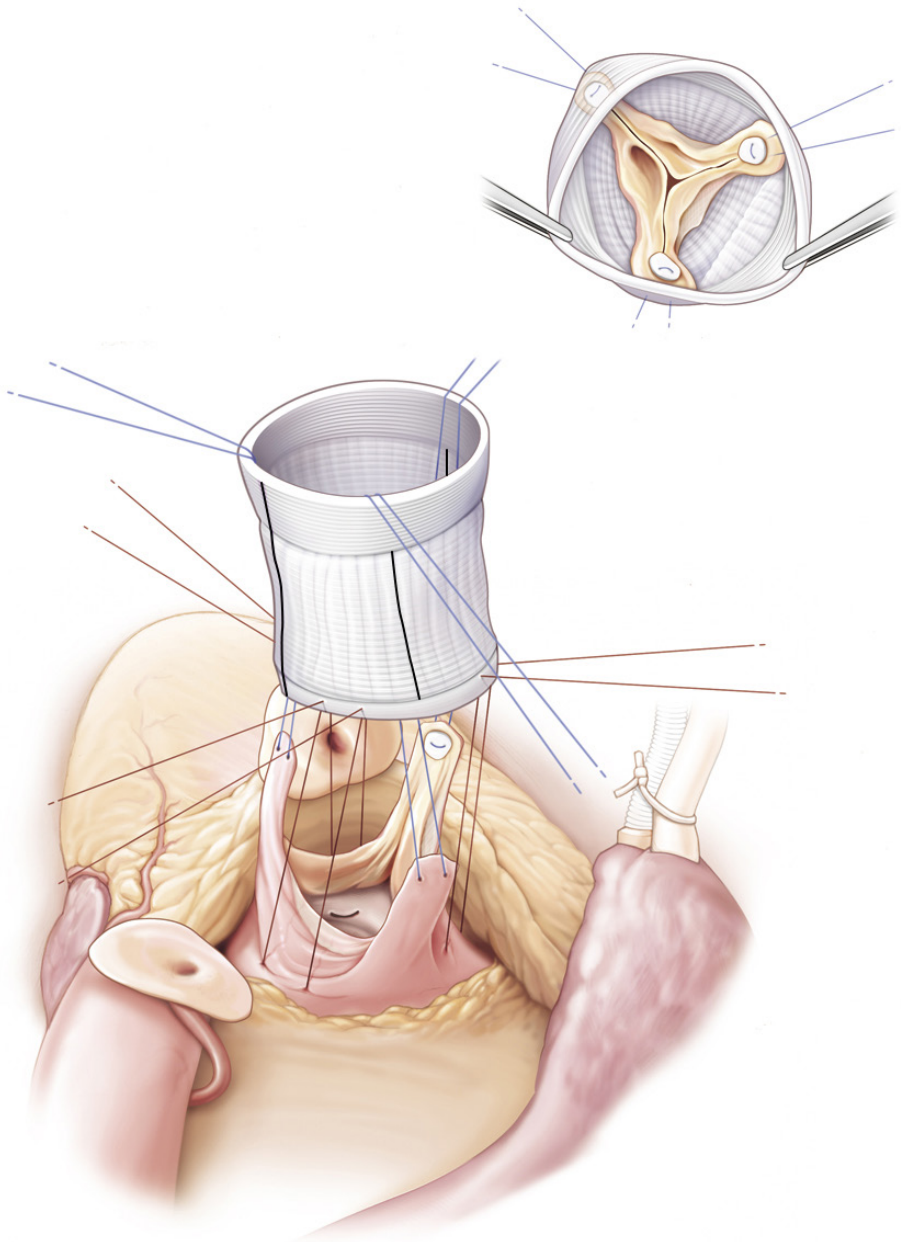

Figure 5: The sub-annular sutures are passed through the graft at the join between the collar and skirt. The graft is then parachuted into position.

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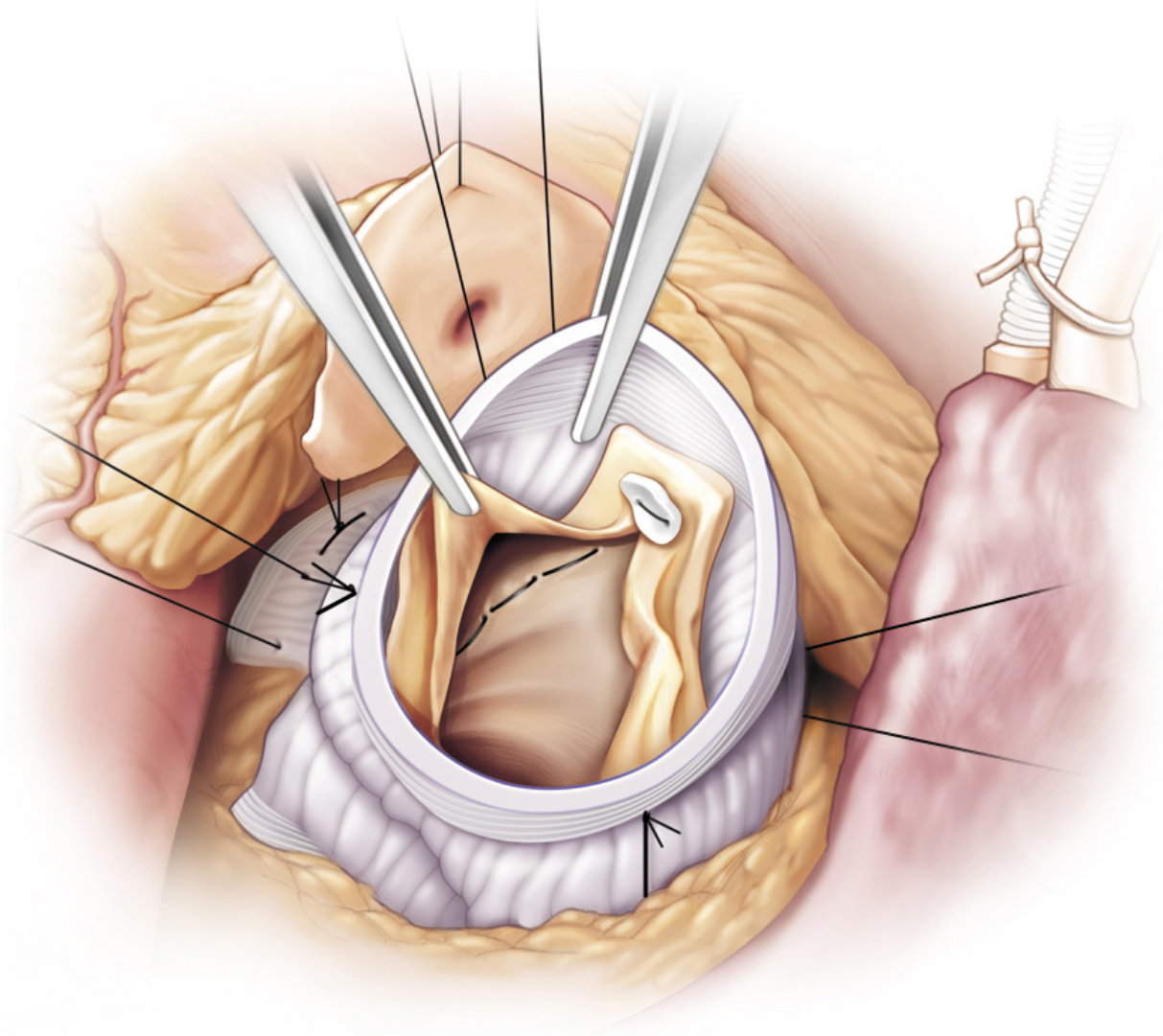

Figure 6: The sub-annular sutures are tied and the top of the commissures secured at the level of the new sinotubular junction.

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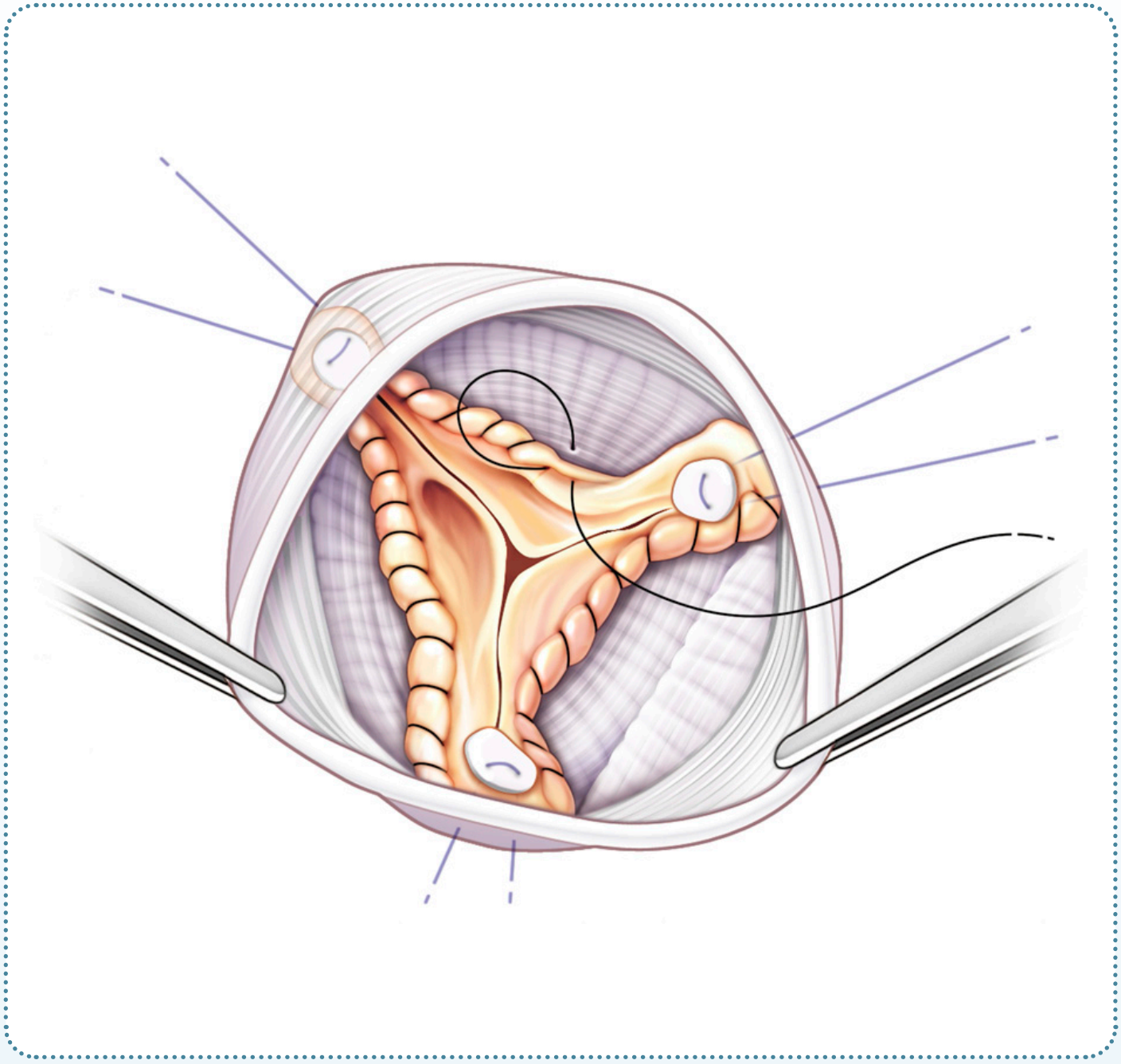

Figure 7: The edges of the commissures are anastomosed to the graft skirt.

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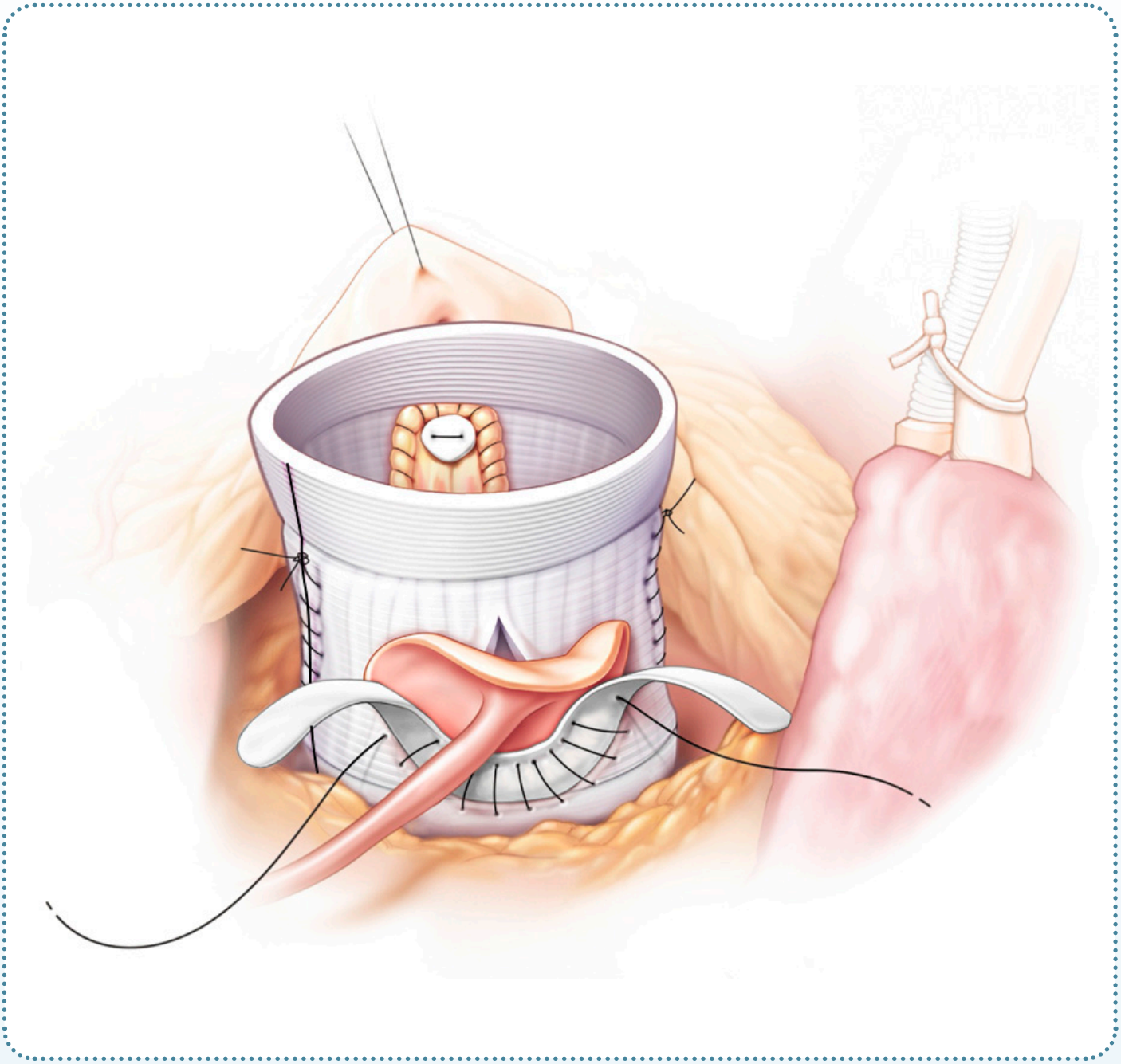

Figure 8: The first coronary button is anastomosed, in a central position, to the graft skirt using ePTFE as a "buttress".

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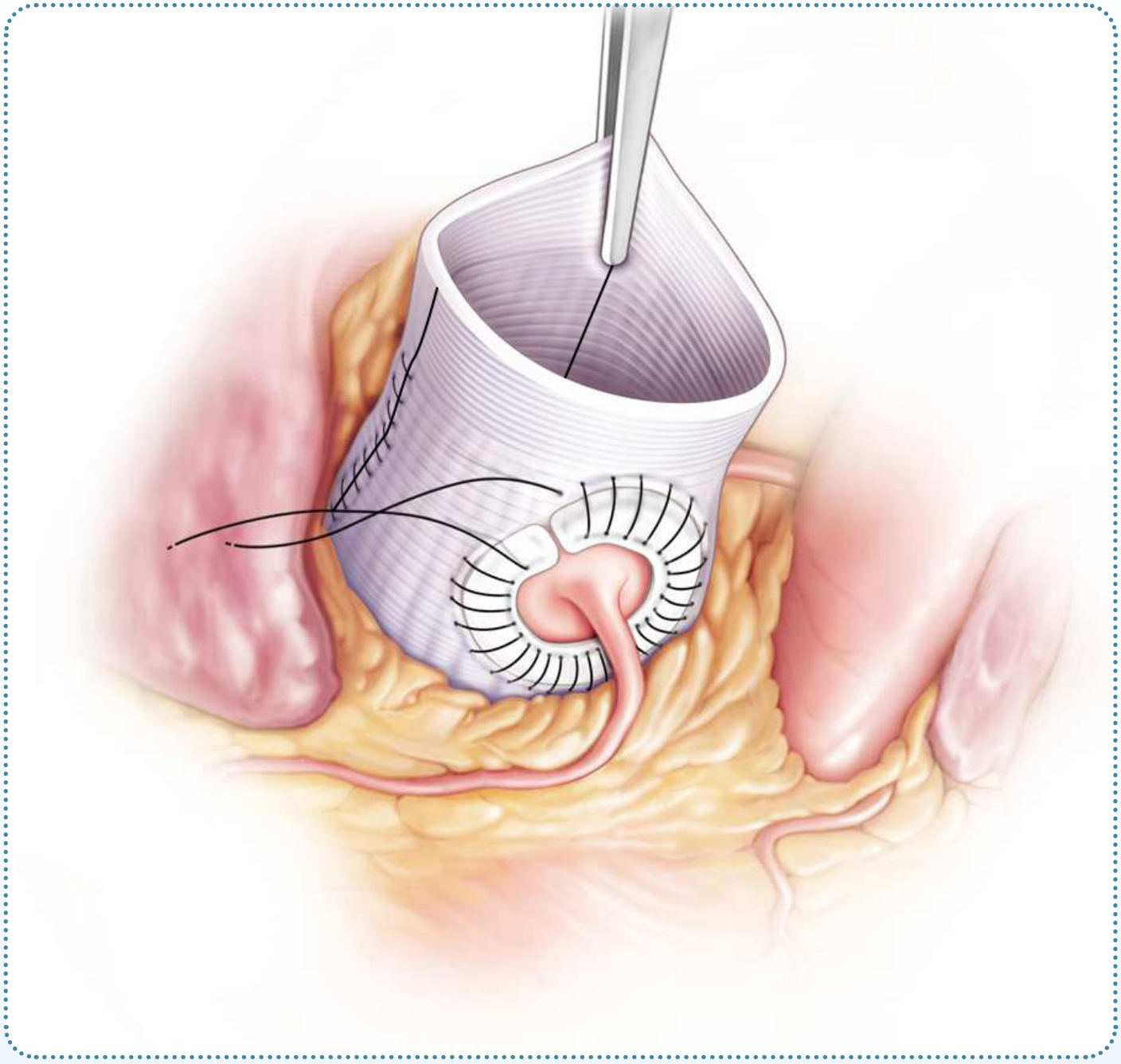

Figure 9: The second coronary button is anastomosed to the graft skirt.

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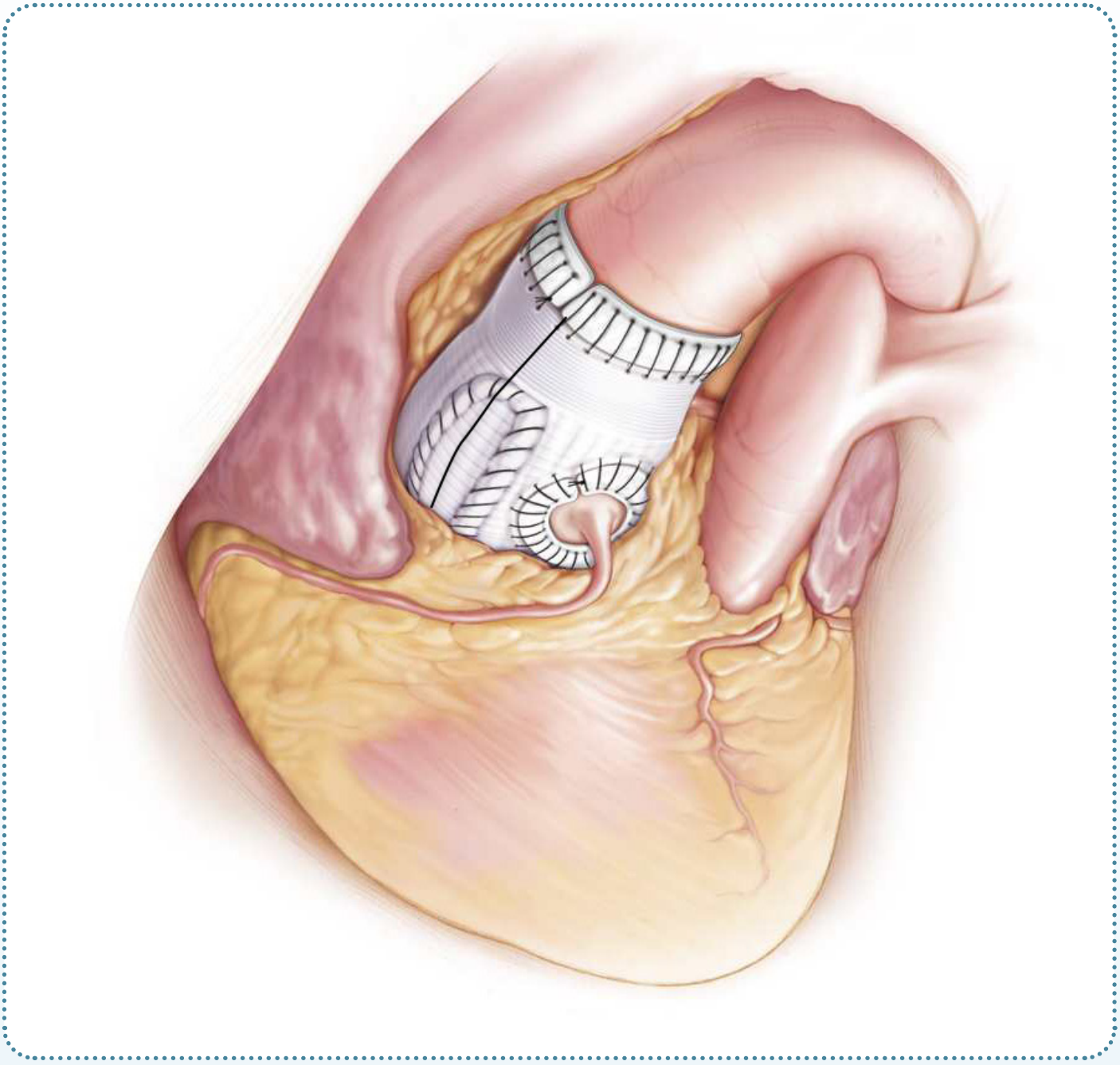

Figure 10: The distal portion of the graft is anastomosed to the ascending aorta.

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Product Ordering Codes

Valsalva graft

Bore Size (mm)	Max Skirt Diameter (mm)	Body Length (cm)	Skirt Length (mm)	Collar Length (mm)	Catalogue Number
16	21	15	16	10	730016ADPE
18	24	15	18	10	730018ADPE
20	26	15	20	10	730020ADPE
22	28	15	22	10	730022ADPE
24	32	15	24	10	730024ADPE
26	34	15	26	10	730026ADPE
28	36	15	28	10	730028ADPE
30	38	15	30	10	730030ADPE
32	42	15	32	10	730032ADPE
34	44	15	34	10	730034ADPE

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Valsalva graft with narrow skirt

Bore Size (mm)	Max Skirt Diameter (mm)	Body Length (cm)	Skirt Length (mm)	Collar Length (mm)	Catalogue Number
24	28	15	24	10	730024ADPSE
26	30	15	26	10	730026ADPSE
28	32	15	28	10	730028ADPSE
30	34	15	30	10	730030ADPSE
32	36	15	32	10	730032ADPSE
34	38	15	34	10	730034ADPSE

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Valsalva graft with short skirt

Bore Size (mm)	Max Skirt Diameter (mm)	Body Length (cm)	Skirt Length (mm)	Collar Length (mm)	Catalogue Number
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26	34	15	22	10	730026ADP22E
28	36	15	23	10	730028ADP23E
30	38	15	24	10	730030ADP24E
32	42	15	26	10	730032ADP26E
34	44	15	28	10	730034ADP28E

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Product Ordering Codes

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Valsalva Ante-Flo

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30	38	10	40	30	10	15	734030/10ADPE
32	42	10	40	32	10	15	734032/10ADPE
34	44	10	40	34	10	15	734034/10ADPE

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Valsalva Ante-Flo (short)

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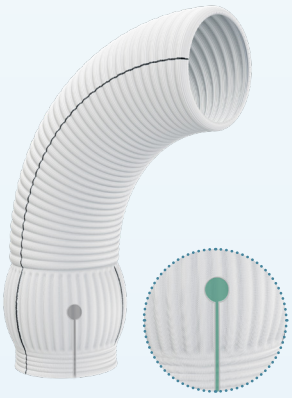

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Valsalva Florida sleeve

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30	38	15	30	10	730030ADPSLE
32	42	15	32	10	730032ADPSLE
34	44	15	34	10	730034ADPSLE

5mm diameter pre-cut coronary button hole with 1mm diameter slit.

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Gianfranco's Story

The first Valsalva Patient operated on for acute dissection in 2000.

What I can tell you is that the quality of my life has been fully preserved. After less than 20 days I was able to re-start working without any medical difficulty. After 1 month I was able to restart my workout, not so intense of course but I was able to recover that important piece of my life. After 6 months roughly, I was back to my normal life.

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In 2020, Gianfranco visited Terumo Aortic in Glasgow, 20 years after undergoing a life changing procedure. Accompanied by his surgeon, Professor Ruggero De Paulis, they reflected on the journey, toured the facility, and had the opportunity to meet some of the associates who contribute to the company's ongoing innovations.

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