## Hydrodynamic Assessment of a Small Intestinal Submucosa Tubular Mitral Valve

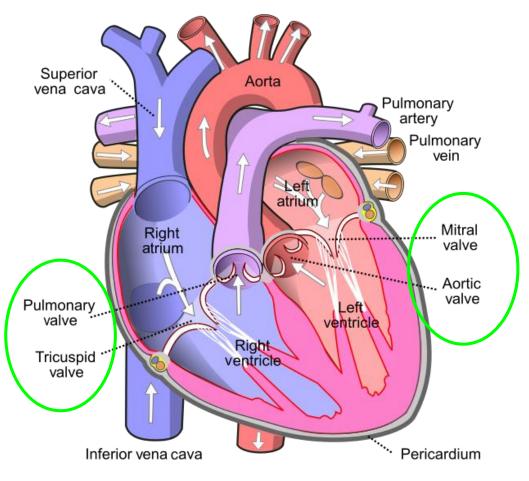
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#### Heart Valve Function

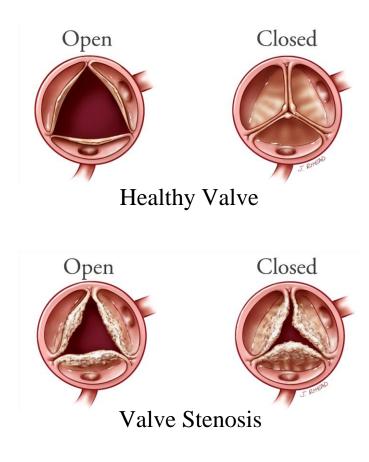
- Maintain proper **direction** of blood flow into and out of each heart chamber
- **4 valves**: consist of flaps that open and close during each heartbeat





#### Heart Valve Diseases

- **Cardiovascular diseases** is the #1 killer worldwide (World Health Organization)
- More than 25,000 people in the USA die from heart valve diseases every year<sup>1</sup>
- Heart valve diseases cost USA
  \$23.4 billion annually<sup>2</sup>

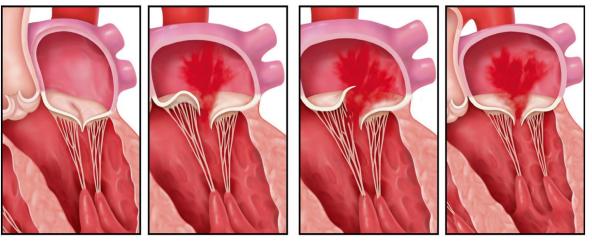




<sup>1</sup>The Silver Book: Valve Disease. (2018) <sup>2</sup>Moore M, *et al. Clinicoecon Outcomes Res.* (2016) 8:613–27 <sup>3</sup>Aortic Valve Stenosis. Intermountain Health Care

#### Causes of Heart Valve Diseases

- Congenital valve defects
- Calcification
- Tumor
- Valve degeneration



Normal

Prolapse

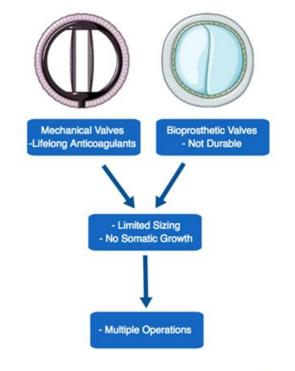
Flail

Functional Degeneration



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#### **Treatment Options: Tissue Engineered Scaffolds**





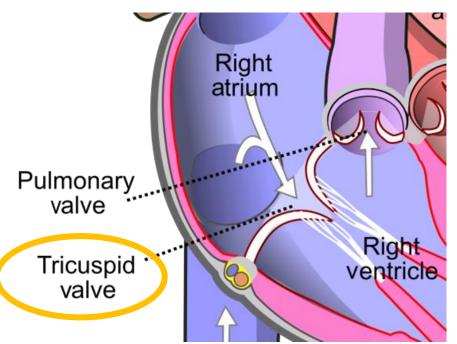
- Heart Valves with Regenerative Capacities:
  - Provide somatic growth
  - Self-repair
  - Infection resistance and permanent approach
- Porcine Small Intestinal Submucosa (PSIS):
  - FDA approved
  - Used for other cardiovascular applications
  - Evidence of host native cell infiltration and tissue remodeling<sup>1</sup>

#### CORTM TRICUSPID ECM®

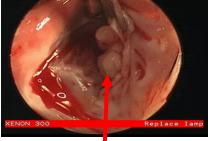


- Tubular valve made of PSIS material
- Acellular extracellular matrix (ECM)
- Stentless, seamless
- Currently being applied in the tricuspid position

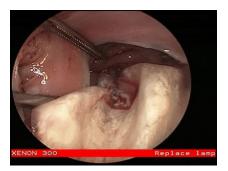




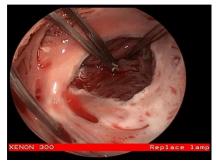
## Cor<sup>TM</sup> Tricuspid ECM in the Tricuspid Position Patient 1 Outcome



Metastatic Osteosarcoma

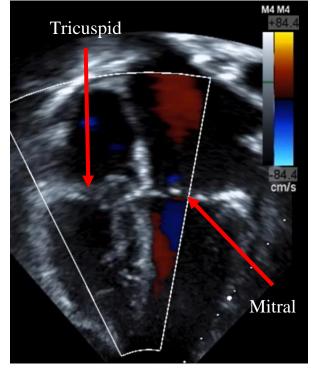


#### 11 year old boy



#### Currently 12 years old and disease free





Peak Ventricular Systole

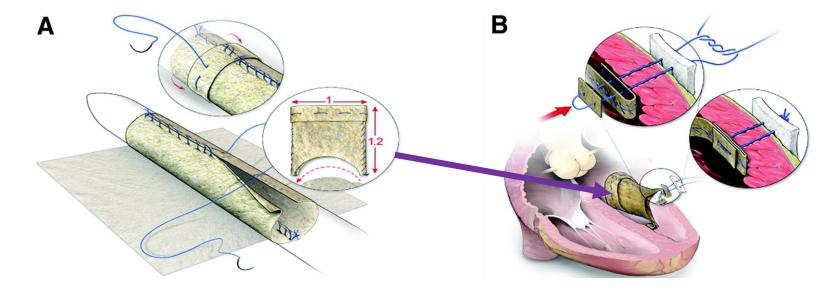
## Cor<sup>TM</sup> Tricuspid ECM in the Tricuspid Position Patient 2 Outcome

12-year-old Pediatric Patient 1 year post-op (Peak Ventricular Systole) Little to no regurgitation





#### PSIS in Mitral Position - Baboon Model Implantation



(A) Assembly of a hand-made tubular PSIS mitral valve

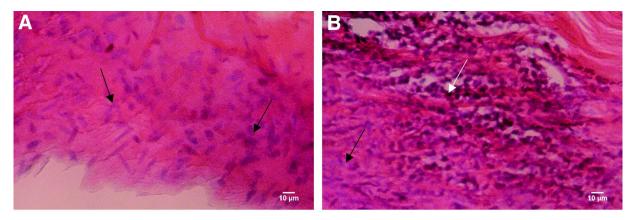
(B) Attachment of mitral valve to the papillary muscles with pledget strips

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Bibevski, S., Levy, A., and Scholl, FG. Mitral valve replacement using a handmade construct in an infant. Interact Cardiovasc Thorac Surg 24, 639, 2017.

#### In vivo Baboon PSIS Explant - Mitral Valve Remodeling



90 days post-implantation

A) Raw un-implanted decellularized PSIS

B) Explanted valve showing new native Baboon cells alongside remaining porcine cells



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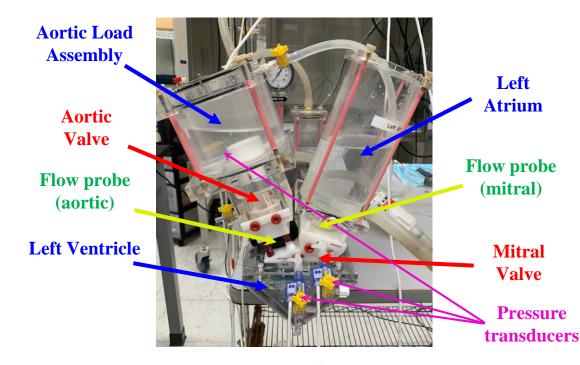
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#### **Objective and Problem Statement**

- PROBLEM: While clinical echocardiographic outcomes of Cor<sup>TM</sup> TRICUSPID ECM tubular valve in the <u>tricuspid position</u> are favorable and known, <u>functional</u> <u>assessments in the mitral position is not known</u>
- **OBJECTIVE:** Conduct hydrodynamic testing of Cor<sup>TM</sup> TRICUSPID ECM valves in the mitral position and compare their performance with a bi-leaflet mechanical valve



#### Vivitro Pulse Duplicator - Hydrodynamic Testing



Engineering

& Computing

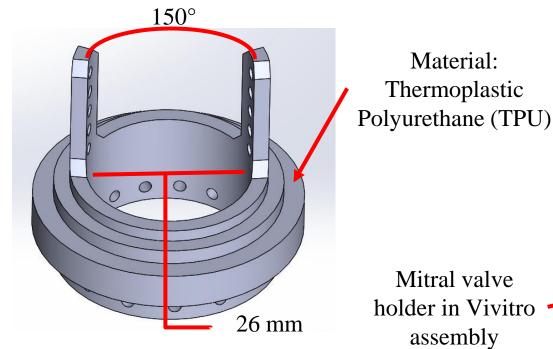
**Biomedical Engineering** 

CorMatrix

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- Pressure transducers
  - Aortic
  - Ventricular
  - Atrial
  - Flow Probe
    - Mitral or aortic
  - Nominal Test Conditions
    - 70 beats/min
    - Cardiac Output: 5 L/min
    - Mean Arterial Pressure: 100 mmHg
    - 35%-systolic 65%-diastolic

#### Custom Built Mitral Valve Holder

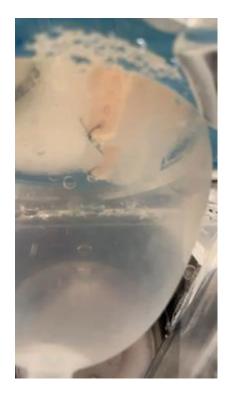




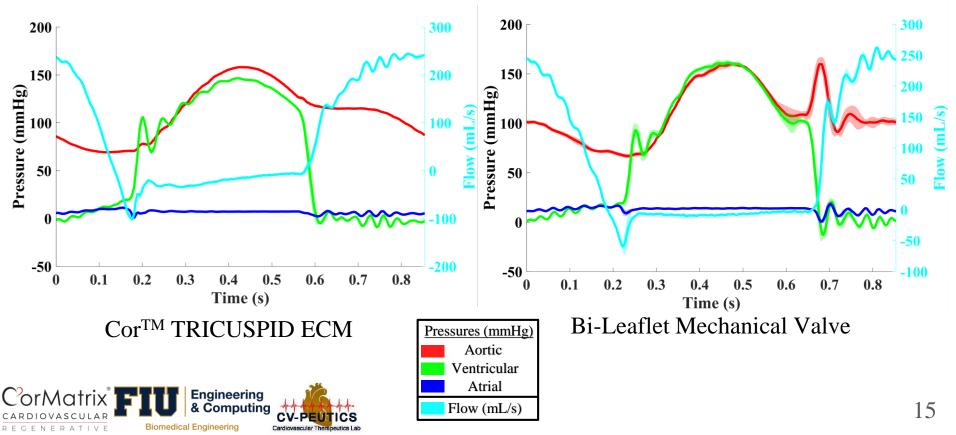
#### Videos of Mitral Valve in Vivitro







#### Vivitro System - Hydrodynamic Results



### Mitral Position - Hydrodynamics

Valve Type	Q <sub>RMS</sub> (ml/s)	EOA (cm <sup>2</sup> )	$\Delta P (mmHg)$	Regurge %
CorMatrix Tubular PSIS Valve (R = 5)	128.65 ± 1.60	$1.00 \pm 0.02$	6.17 ± 1.35	9.23 ± 0.61
Bi-leaflet Mechanical Valve (N = 2)	128.58 ± 4.33	$0.96 \pm 0.04$	6.84 ± 3.05	$2.31 \pm 0.87$

Values reported as Mean ± SEM



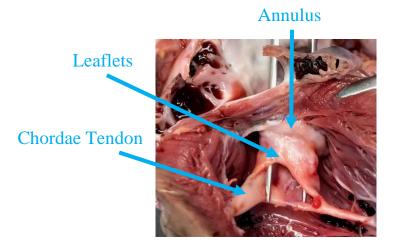
#### Pitfalls and Limitations

- Valve holder has no pledget strip anchorage
- Annulus is not completely sealed
- Only one anchorage point around the annulus  $\rightarrow$  over-estimation of regurgitation



#### **Discussions / Conclusions**

- Tubular PSIS valves appear to facilitate robust hydrodynamic valve function
  - Tricuspid based on clinical data
  - Mitral (potentially) based on preliminary hydrodynamic data
- Material may serve as scaffold for *de novo* valvular tissue growth<sup>1</sup>



11-Month Explant<sup>1</sup>

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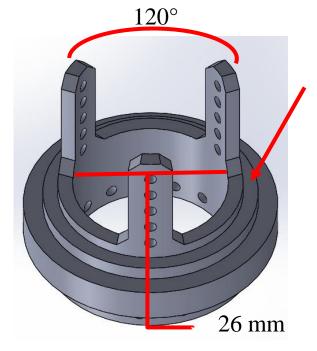
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#### Future Works

- Increase mitral position sample size
  - Anchorage points for suturing
  - Sealing the annulus
- Testing in tricuspid and aortic positions

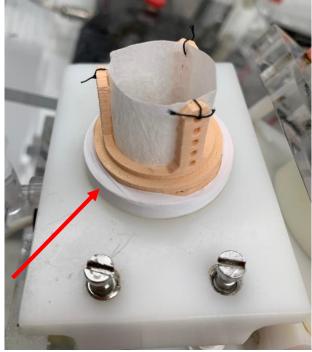


#### Future Works - Aortic Valve Application



Material: Thermoplastic Polyurethane (TPU)

> Aortic valve holder in Vivitro assembly





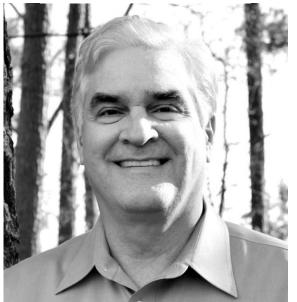
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# THANK YOU! Questions?



#### Equations

 $Q_{RMS}$ : Root mean square forward flow during positive differential pressure period Effective Orifice Area =  $(Q_{RMS} / (51.6*sqrt(\Delta P/\rho)))$  $\Delta P$ : pressure gradient during forward flow = mitral pressure - ventricular pressure

RF: Regurgitation factor [leakage volume/(stroke volume + leakage volume)]

Source: https://vivitrolabs.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/Pulse-Duplicator-Manual.pdf



#### **Tricuspid Test Conditions**

- 70 beats/minute
- SV: 55 mL/s
- Mean Pulmonary Pressure: 15 mmHg
- 35%-systolic 65%-diastolic



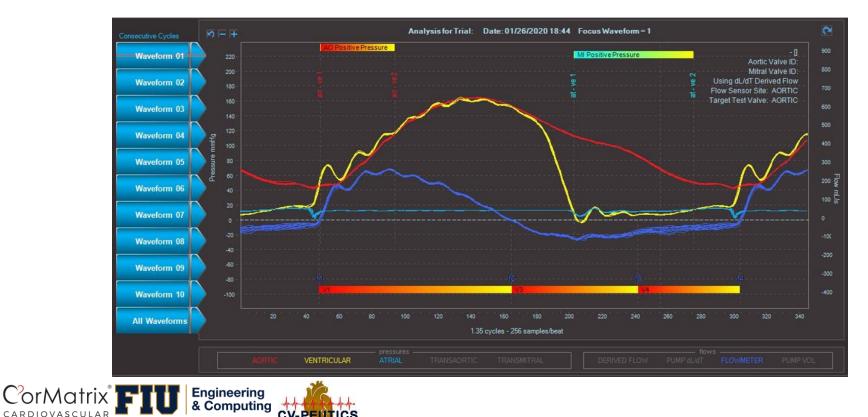
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#### Aortic Valve Preliminary Hydrodynamics Data

**Biomedical Engineering** 

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#### Aortic Tubular PSIS Valve - Hydrodynamics

Tubular PSIS Valve (N = 1)

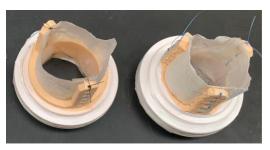
Q <sub>RMS</sub> (ml/s)	EOA (cm <sup>2</sup> )	ΔP (mmHg)	Regurge %
182 ± 5.65	$0.73 \pm 0.46$	10.47 ± 2.02	9.57 ± 1.12

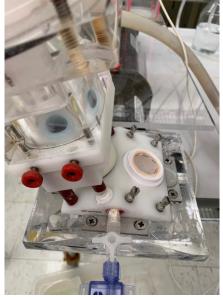


#### Vivitro Setup









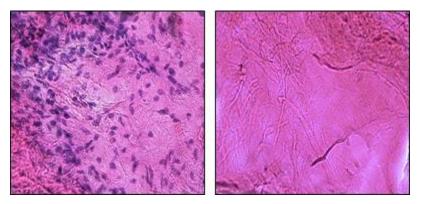
## Bringing the factors together

Recapitulating the embryologic environment

- Altered microenvironment
- Normalized acellular proliferative matrix
  - Architecture, functional proteins, exosomes
- Attraction of progenitor cells
  - Marrow and local origin
- Decreased inflammatory response
  - Immunomodulatory, no scar tissue formation
- Stimulate angiogenesis

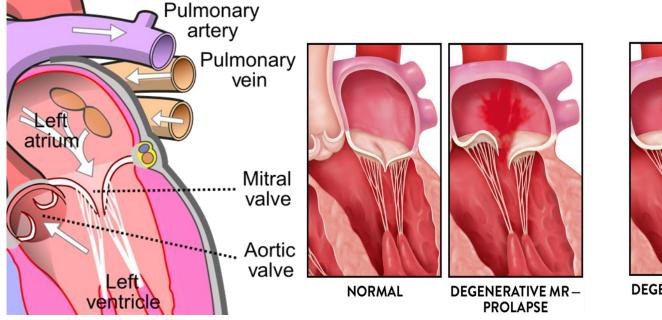


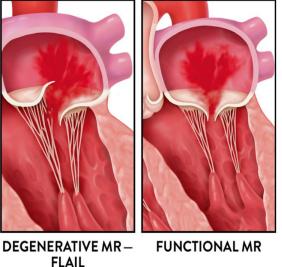
First Generation ECM Second Generation ECM



H&E from marketed first generation product. Numerous nuclei and cell membrane fragments remaining. Completely clear of nuclei and antigen fragments.

#### Valve Flow and Disease





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#### **REMOVED SLIDES**

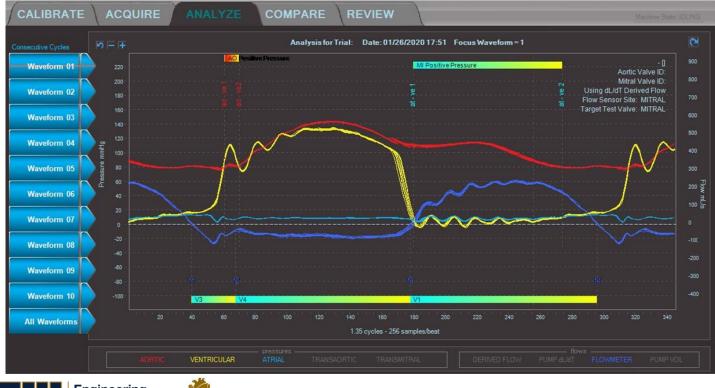


#### Vivitro System - Mechanical Mitral Valve Hydrodynamics





## Vivitro System - PSIS Mitral Valve Hydrodynamics





#### Videos of Mitral Valve in Vivitro





#### Video of Aortic Valve in Vivitro



