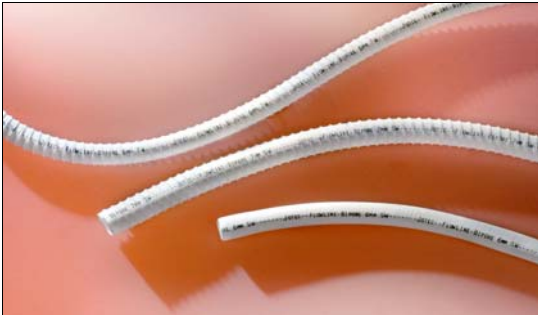


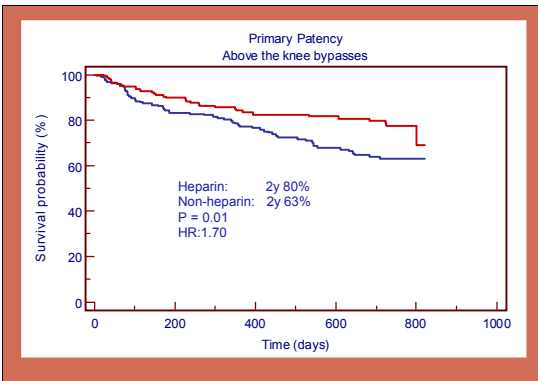
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FlowLine Bipore® HEPARIN ePTFE Trial Results Published



Prof. Frank Vermassen presented the two-year follow-up results of the FlowLine Bipore® Heparin ePTFE grafts trial during the Charing Cross Symposium 2009. The prospective, randomised, multi-centre study involved 537 patients and 23 centres. Heparin-bonded grafts were compared to similar non-heparin grafts. The two-year results show patency curves continuing to dissociate suggesting that less thrombogenicity in the early phase leads to less hyperplasia and less thrombosis in the later phase. In conclusion:

- The first randomised study on the value of heparin bonding in ePTFE grafts
- One of the largest prospective randomised studies on femoro-popliteal by-pass
- There is a clear trend towards improved patency in the whole group
- There is a significant difference in favour of heparin-bonded grafts in AK bypass

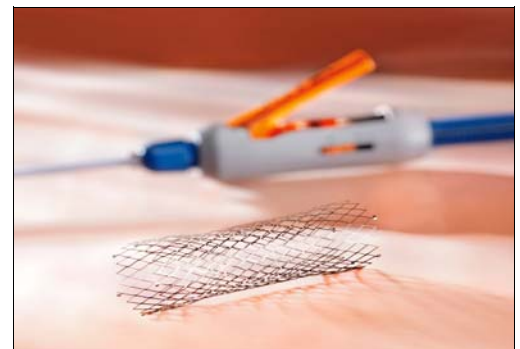


Manufactured by **JOTEC®** in Germany, FlowLine Bipore® Heparin grafts are available with an easily-removable spiral reinforcement and a thin, reinforcing layer of ePTFE provides enhanced suture retention. We believe that this combination of features and the outstanding quality make FlowLine Bipore® Heparin the best ePTFE graft available and yet despite the advanced specification pricing is extremely competitive.

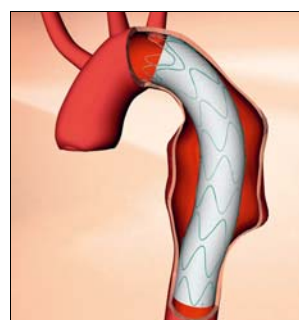
NEW E®-XL aortic stent

E®-XL is a new, self-expanding nitinol stent designed for the treatment of lesions of the thoracic aorta and vena cava. It is especially useful in the treatment of dissections or stenoses and for endograft repair.

E®-XL features flared ends in a closed cell design for maximum radial force, avoiding the need for oversizing. The central section of the stent is of an open cell design for maximum flexibility. Five Tantal markers at each end of the stent ensure excellent visibility and the 'Squeeze-to-Release®' deployment system provides controlled and precise positioning. Stents are available in diameters from 14 to 36mm and lengths up to 130mm. The delivery systems are compatible with 0.035" guide wires and are sized at 12, 14 or 16F depending upon stent size.



E®-vita thoracic stentgraft system



The innovative delivery system of E®-vita thoracic is highly controllable facilitating accurate positioning. It features a clever mechanism to retain the proximal stent ends during deployment until the clip is released and the button advanced. The comprehensive range provides a choice of proximal and distal end designs. Stentgraft diameters range from 24 to 44mm and lengths from 130 to 230mm. Delivery systems are from 20F to 24F depending upon stentgraft diameter