

Vascular access creation :

RADAR – a new technique for an old problem

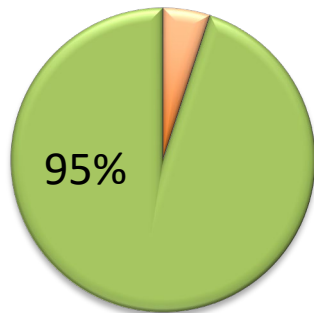


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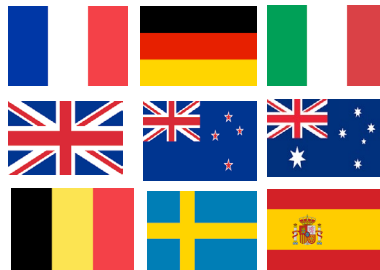
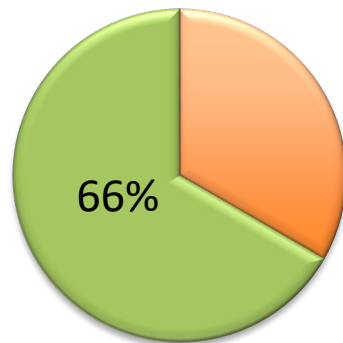
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When feasible, radial cephalic fistula is recommended as first-line access, but :

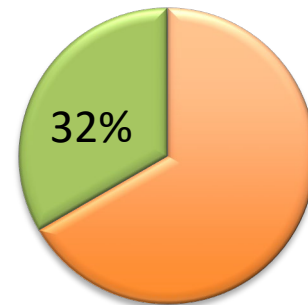
Upper arm Lower arm



Japan



Europe/ ANZ

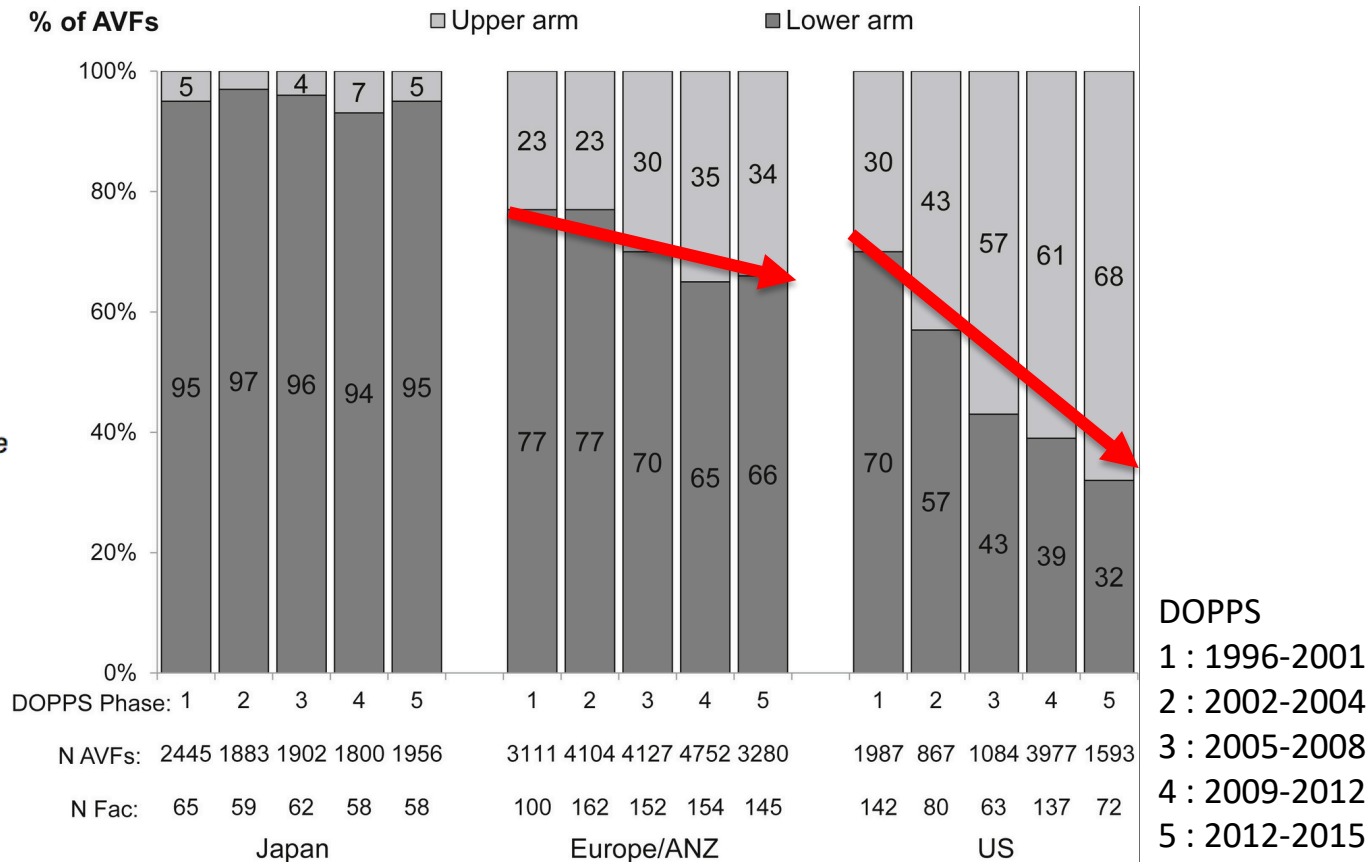


North America

And yet called into question, especially across the Atlantic.

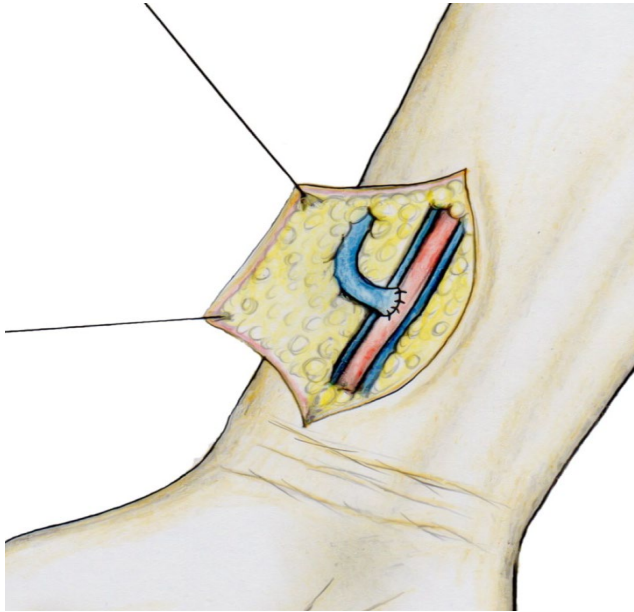


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Why ?

Radial-cephalic conventional fistula



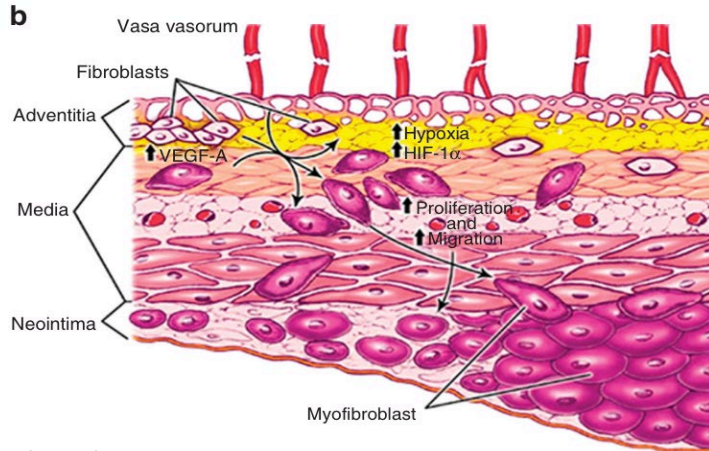
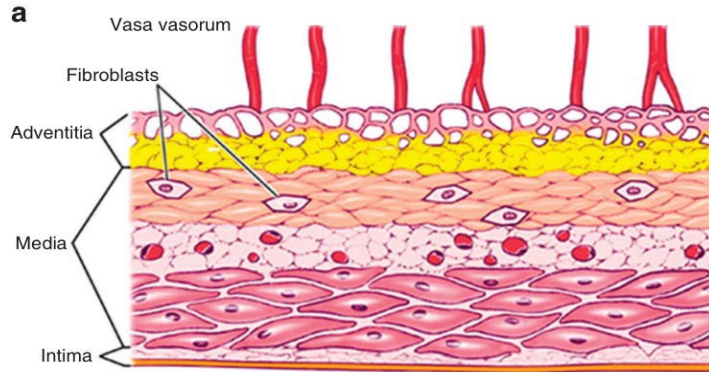
Juxta-anastomotic stenosis



Up to 77%¹

Badero et al. Am J Kidney Dis 2008

Hypothesis : surgical dissection damages the vein



Healthy vessel wall



**SURGICAL
DISSECTION**

Vasa Vasorum damaged
Wall ischemia

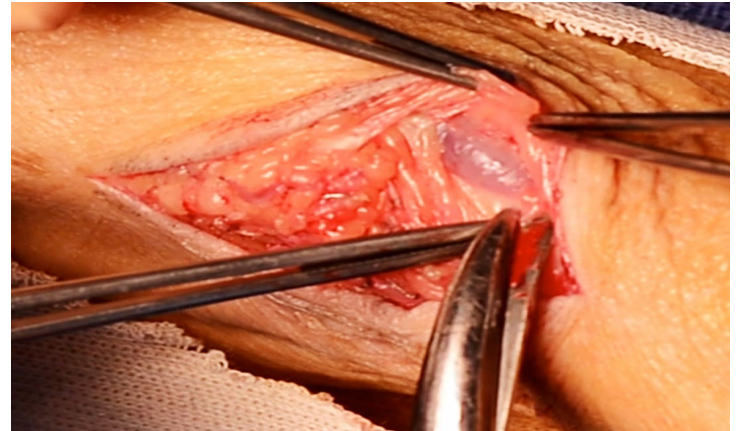
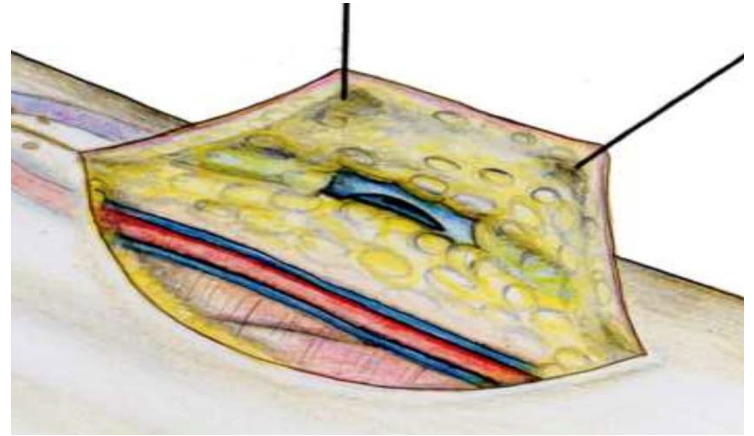
Migration
Differentiation
Proliferation

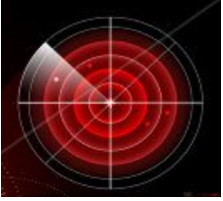


**STENOSIS
FAILURE**

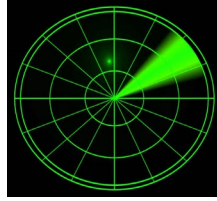
The minimal dissection concept

1. **No circumferential dissection** of the vein
2. Only **the anterior-medial aspect** of the vein
3. Only **the length needed** for the anastomosis
4. **NO CLAMPS, NO LOOPS** on the vein (tourniquet)





RADAR

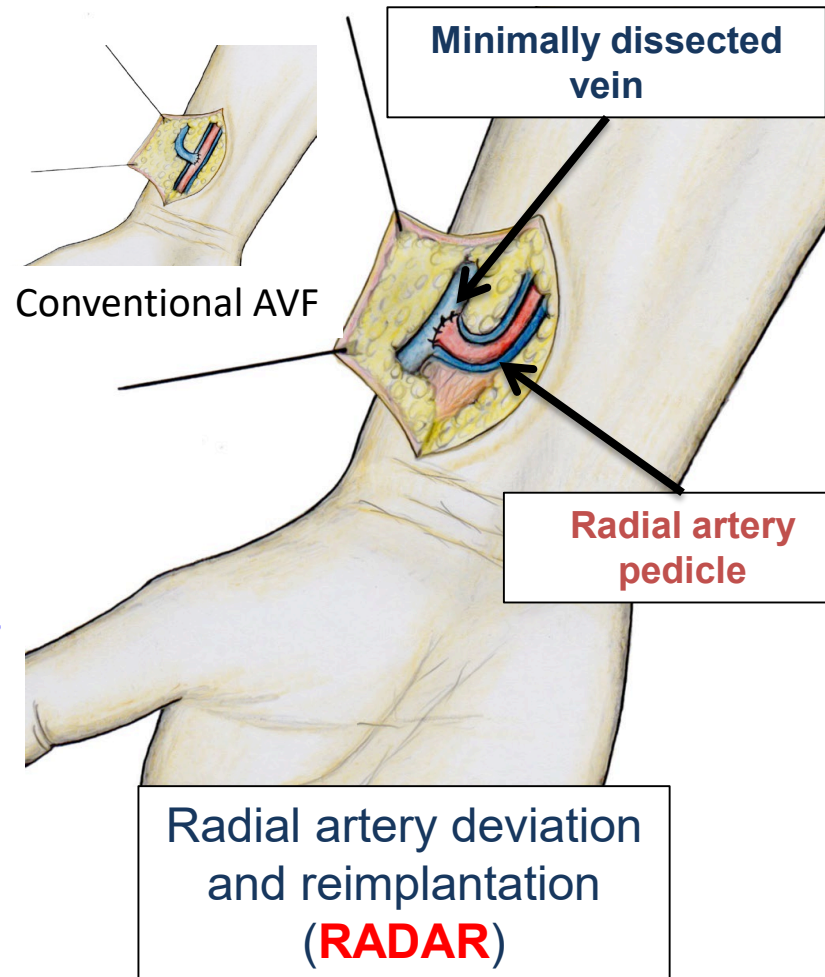


If the vein can't join the
artery...
... the artery joins the vein.

PURPOSE : to avoid juxta-anastomotic stenosis

Principles of RADAR surgery :

1. Minimal dissection of the vein
2. Form a harmonious loop with the arterial pedicle



THE RADAR TECHNIQUE

(Radial Artery Deviation and Reimplantation)

Radial artery deviation and reimplantation inhibits venous juxta-anastomotic stenosis and increases primary patency of radial-cephalic fistulas for hemodialysis

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50 RADAR vs. conventional AVFs

92% maturation at 3 months, vs. 71%

2% venous JAS, vs. 41%

10% reintervention, vs. 74%

