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# BioMed Entrepreneurship in Taiwan: The Stanford Connection

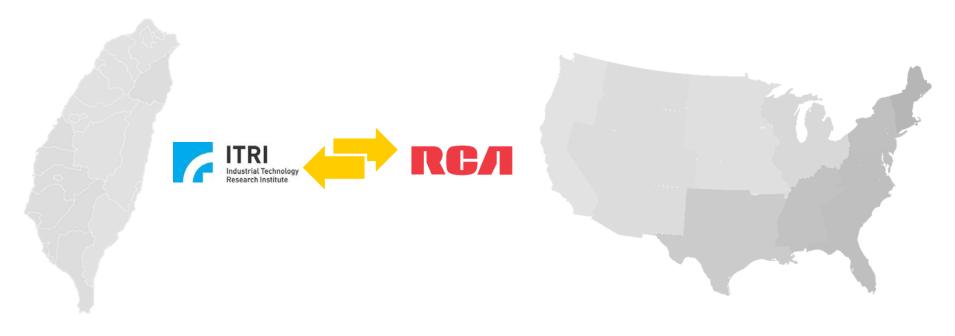






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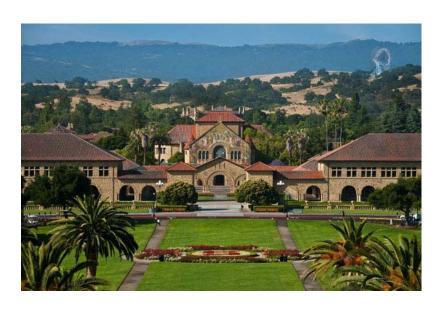
#### The RCA experience (1976)





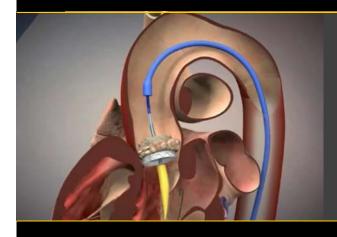
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#### The STB program



- Founded in 2008
- Mentored by Prof. Peter Fitzgerald and other Stanford faculty
- 11 engineers and 6 medical doctors have been trained to date

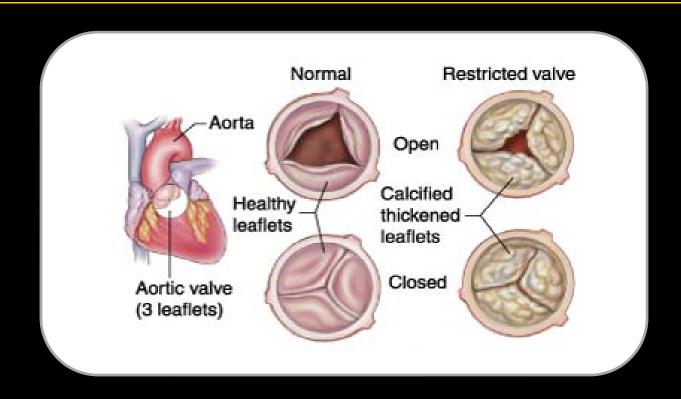




#### A Better Way to Facilitate Transcatheter Aortic Valve Implantation (TAVI)

Carson Chen

### Aortic Stenosis – A Critical Clinical Issue



- Without treatment, 50% patients die within 1 year
- 180K patients with aortic stenosis in US and 450k worldwide

#### **Treatment Options**

#### Medication



Survival rate: 1-year:60% 5-year: 32%

# Surgical Valve Replacement



Only 50% AS patients are surgical candidatesOperative mortality:

4-12%

# Transcatheter Valve Replacement

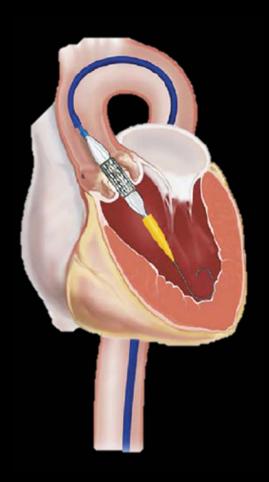


•Intraprocedural mortality: 1.2%

•1-year survival: 74%

•FDA just approved the first valve in Nov., 2011

#### **Transcatheter Valve Replacement**



- Currently, Edwards Lifescience and Medtronic contribute to most of the 50,000 valves implanted worldwide
- TAVI market: \$2 billions by 2014
- More companies are entering this booming market...



Edwards Lifescience



Medtronic



**DirectFlow** 



Lotus

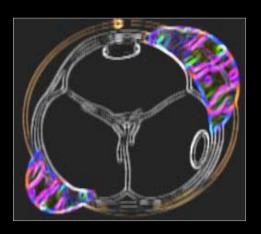
#### **New Challenges in the TAVI Era**

#### **Positioning**



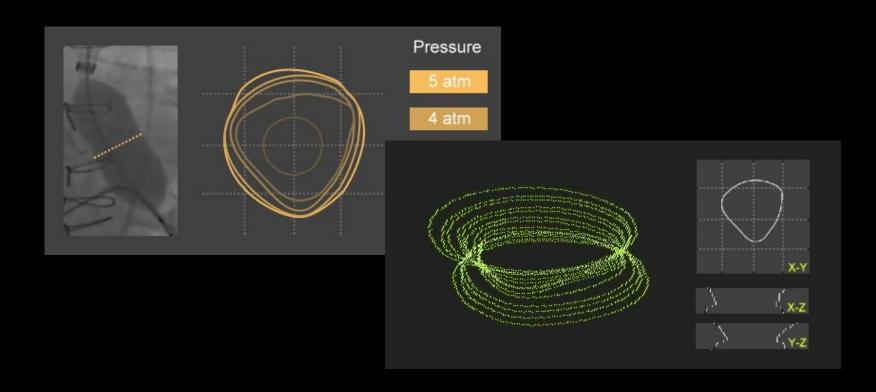
- Up to 25% of patients need pacemakers after TAVI
- Blocking main arteries could be life-threatening

#### **Aortic Regurgitation (AR)**



- 21-40% of TAVI patients have moderate-severe leakage
- Moderate-severe AR leads to 3X Mortality

#### **Solution for Optimal Deployment**



Smart Imaging technology to provide 3D information and guide the procedure

## **Milestones and Timeline**

