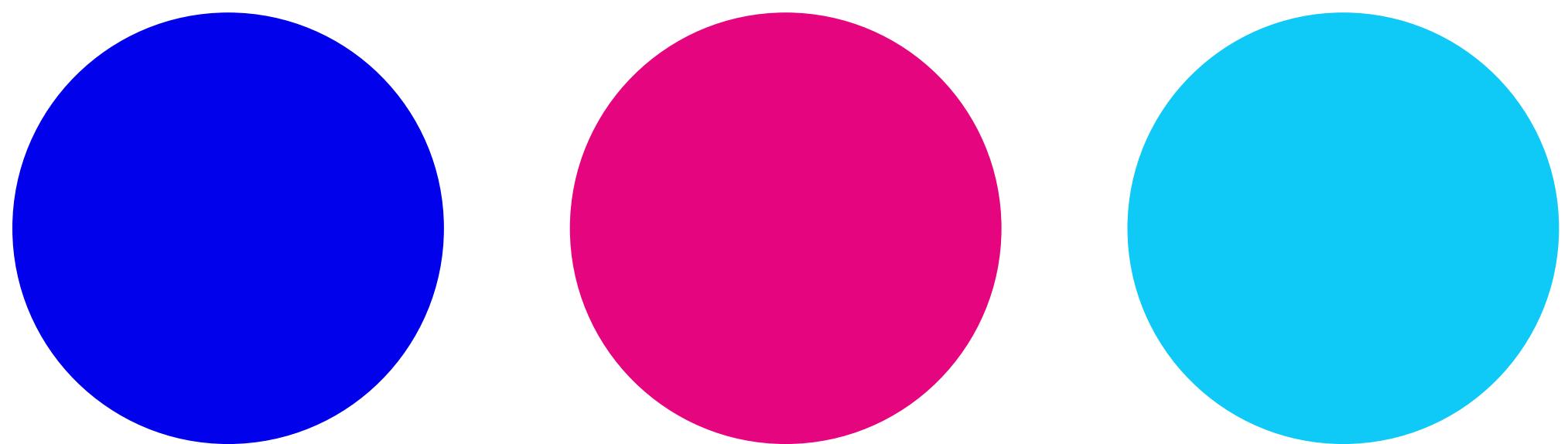


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Women can live with undiagnosed PeVD for many years

This could be because there are many conditions that PeVD can be mistaken for, due to several non-specific symptom



1. <https://thewhiteleyclinic.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/The-Impact-of-Pelvic-Congestion-Syndrome-Report>

Historical nomenclature failed to provide a unified and comprehensive framework to diagnose and characterize Pelvic Venous Disorders

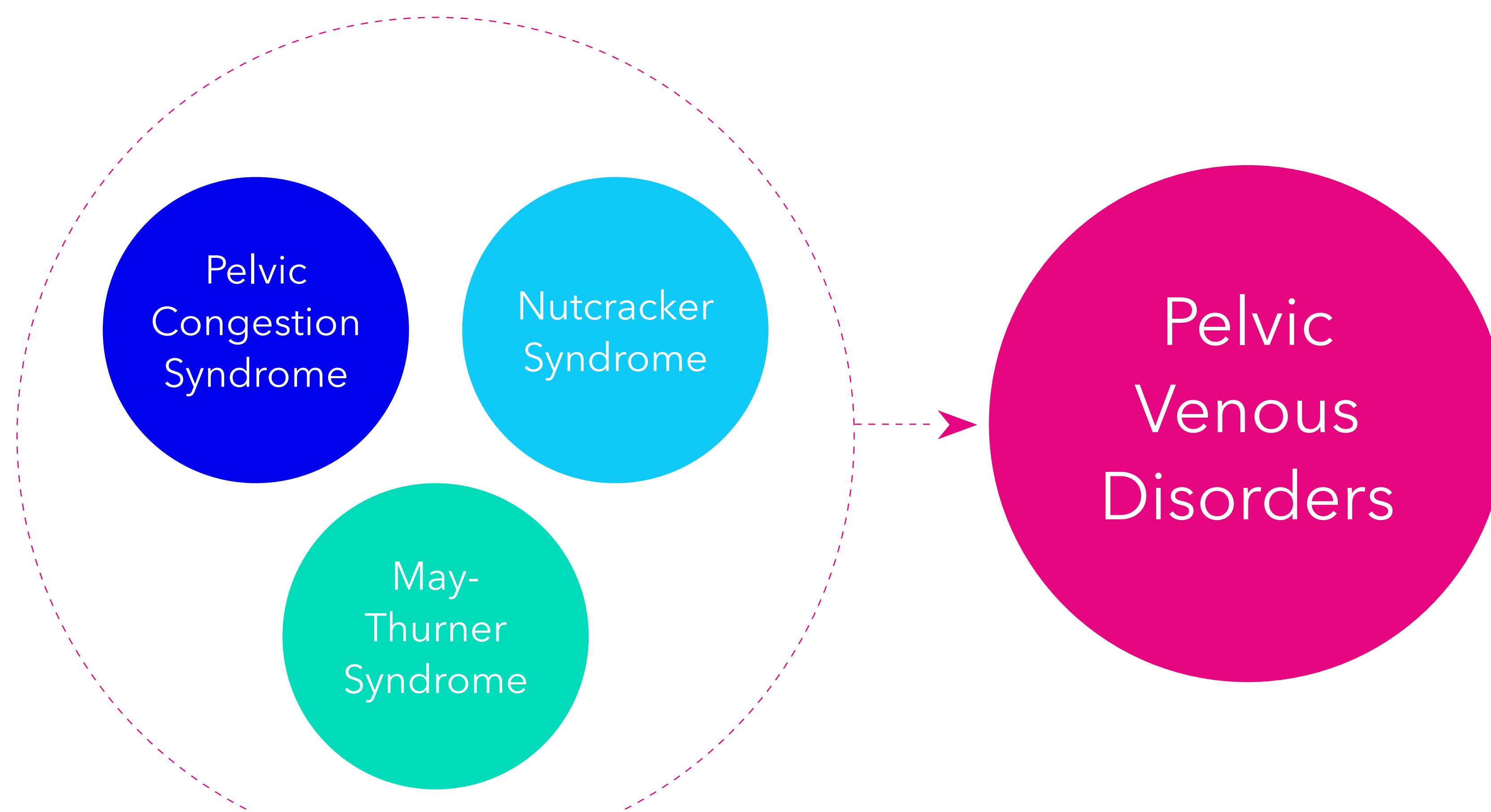
Misleading historical nomenclature, such as the **May-Thurner, pelvic congestion** and **nutcracker syndromes**, often fails to recognize the interrelationship of many pelvic symptoms and their underlying pathophysiology.

Historical nomenclature for pelvic venous disorders:

- Fails to recognize the **complex** and **interrelated pelvic venous circulation**
- Contributes to **misdiagnosis** and **poor treatment outcomes**
- Hinders **clinical research**

Source: Meissner MH, Khilnani NM, Labropoulos N, et al. The Symptoms-Varices-Pathophysiology classification of pelvic venous disorders: A report of the American Vein & Lymphatic Society International Working Group on Pelvic Venous Disorders. *Phlebology*. 2021;36(5):342-360. doi:10.1177/026835521999559

A new classification supports the identification and characterization of Pelvic Venous Disorders (PeVD)



New SVP Classification

S: Symptoms

V: Varices

P: Pathophysiology

A: Anatomy

H: Hemodynamics

E: Etiology

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The SVP classification was endorsed by vascular surgery and interventional radiology societies in both Europe and USA

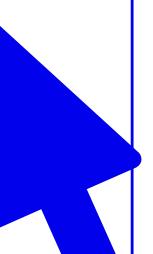


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“The Symptoms-Variety-Pathophysiology (SVP) Classification of Pelvic Venous Disorders”: A New Tool to Assess the Complex Scenario of Chronic Venous Diseases

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Pelvic venous disorders (PVDs) represent a broad spectrum of chronic venous disease with difficult and not standardized diagnostic and treatment paths, involving a wide range of pathophysiology. The typical overlapping of symptoms and signs between different PVDs and not fully understood pathophysiology, predicted the lack of validated definitions and imaging evidence as well as big research and clinical trials.

Since the birth of the PVDs, has been increasingly recognized, the American Vein and Lymphatic Society (AVLS) in 2003 promoted the formation of a multidisciplinary and international working group intending to fill the emerging and perceived need for a precise classification of PVDs [1]. After an extraordinary effort, we would like to congratulate the societies involved in this ambitious project (CIRSE participated) for the recently published article dealing with the first of their work: the new SVP classification of PVDs [2].

The international and multidisciplinary group has been able to accurately define a tool to facilitate clinical communication, individual clinical management and informed

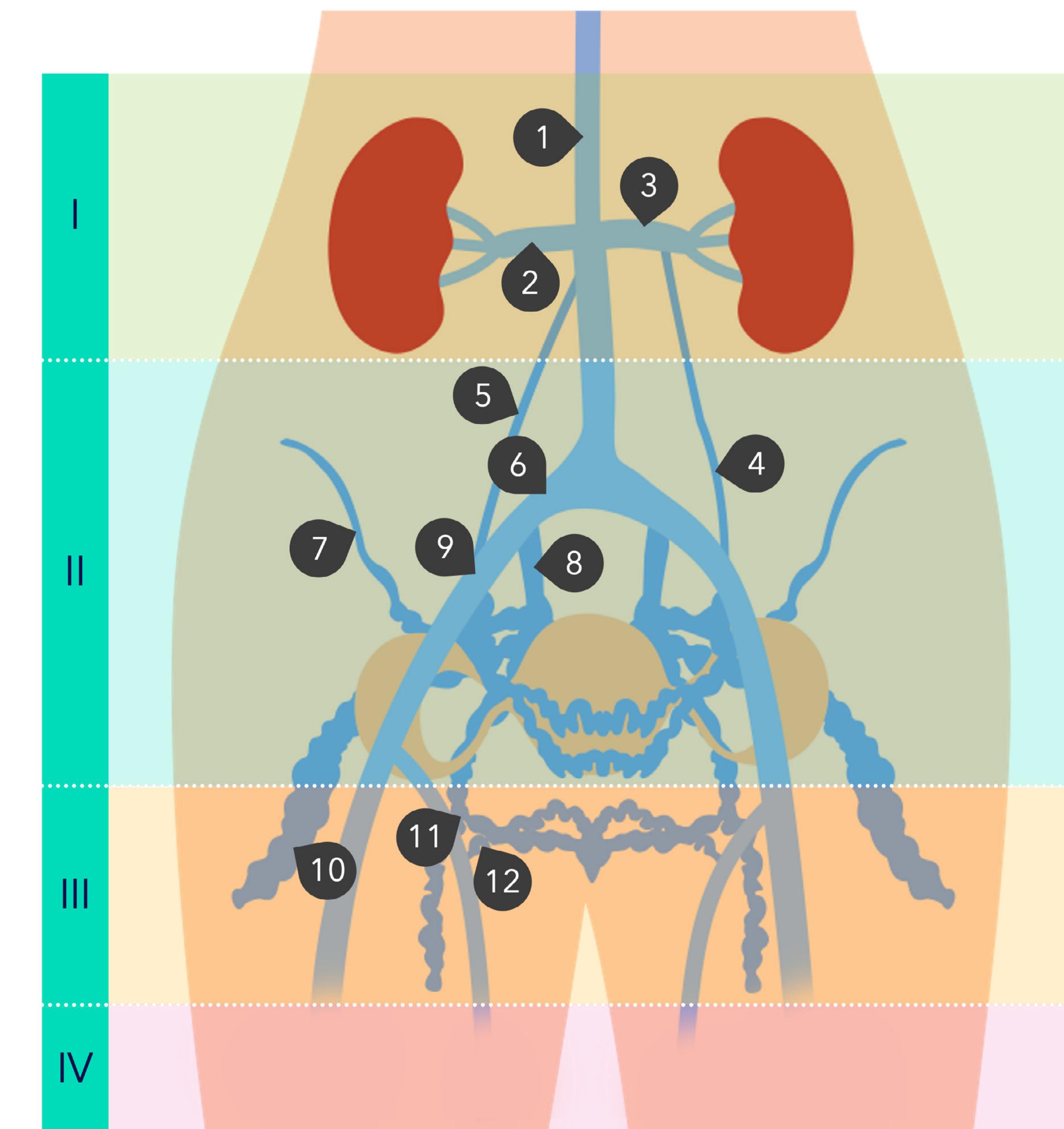
clinical research, developing a tool that may be considered patient-centric, with special attention to the description of the anatomy and pathophysiology of the disorders.

In the detail, the classification considers three main dimensions: Symptoms (S), Varieties (V) and the complex anatomical-pathophysiological aspect (P); this last one composed of three main anatomical and pathophysiological (A), hemodynamic (H) and etiology (E). The classification system recognizes 10 different syndromes. In order to avoid both general and clinical difficulties with pelvic venous phlebosclerosis, pelvic engorgement, pelvic veins, and lower extremities deep and venous occlusive pathology confusion with other classification systems in the field of phlebology, the working group wisely approached and preserved the experience offered by another classification system widely used worldwide to assess the “lower extremity deep and superficial veins” disease: the CEAP (Clinical-Etiology-Anatomy-Pathophysiology) classification [3]. In this way, as explicitly reported by the authors, the CEAP classification must be included for full characterization of lower extremities venous disorders when using the SVP classification, building a complementary relationship that strengthens the value of the tool.

By performing all the complexity of the venous disorder’s spectrum, published evidence that can give every condition and classify the disorders, so that also the common and unusual terms like “May-Thurner syndrome,” “Obtuse splanchnic syndrome” or “saturnine syndrome” may be substituted with an accurate nomenclature. Obviously, the complexity of the disorders reflects the complexity of the classification, and even if it is true that it could be considered a demerit factor for its complexity, it is obvious that it represents the great advantage of the tool in the development. The complexity the complexity

The SVP classification distinguishes between 4 anatomic zones

	Zone	Anatomical location	
Abdomen and pelvis	I Left renal vein	1	Inferior vena cava
		2	Right renal
		3	Left renal
		4	Left ovarian
	II Gonadal and internal iliac veins with pelvic venous plexuses	5	Right ovarian
		6	Common iliac
		7	Right superior gluteal
		8	Right internal iliac
		9	Right external iliac
	III Pelvic origin extra-pelvic veins	10	Right inferior gluteal
		11	Right internal pudendal
		12	Right external pudendal
	IV Lower extremity deep and superficial veins		



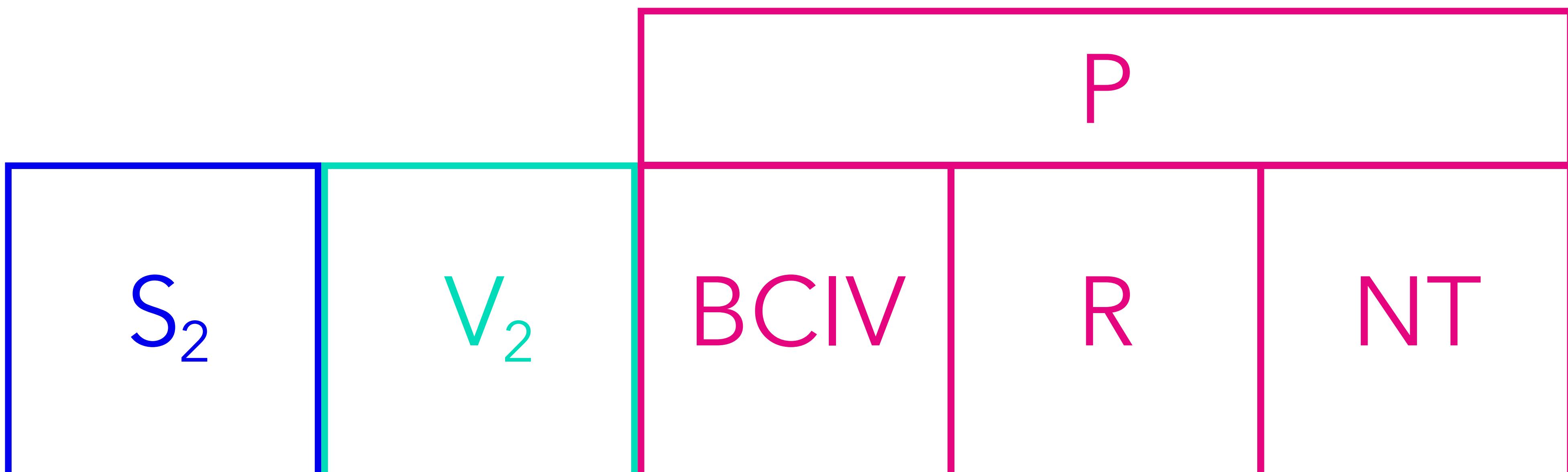
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The SVP classification precisely captures each aspect of PeVD by combining Symptoms, Varices and Pathophysiology related descriptors: Example

Symptoms (S)		Varices (S)	Pathophysiology (P)			
			Anatomy (A)		Hemodynamics (H)	Etiology (E)
S₁	No symptoms of a PeVD (no renal, pelvic or extrapelvic symptoms)	No abdominal, pelvic, or pelvic origin extrapelvic varices on clinical or imaging examination	Abbreviation	Expansions		
S₂	Renal symptoms of venous origin	Renal hilar varices	IVC	Inferior vena cava		
S₃	Chronic pelvic pain of venous origin	Pelvic varices	LRV	Left renal vein		
A	Localized symptoms associated with veins of the external genitalia	Pelvic origin extrapelvic varices	GV	Gonadal (testicular, ovarian) veins		
B	Localized symptoms associated with pelvic origin, nonsaphenous veins of the leg*	Genital varices (vulvar varices and varicocele)	LGV	Left gonadal vein		
C	Venous claudication*	Pelvic origin lower extremity varicose veins arising from the pelvic escape points and extending onto the thigh.*	RGV	Right gonadal vein		
			BGV	Bilateral gonadal veins		
			CIV	Common iliac veins		
			LCIV	Left common iliac vein		
			RCIV	Right common iliac vein		
			BCIV	Bilateral common iliac veins		
			EIV	External iliac veins		
			LEIV	Left external iliac vein		
			REIV	Right external iliac vein		
			BEIV	Bilateral external iliac veins		
			IIV	Internal iliac veins		
			LIIV	Left internal iliac vein		
			RIIV	Right internal iliac vein		
			BIIV	Bilateral internal iliac veins		
			PELV	Pelvic escape veins22 ("escape points"); inguinal, obturator, pudendal, and/or gluteal		
					Obstruction (O)	Thrombotic (T)
					Thrombotic or non-thrombotic (venous compression) venous obstruction	Non-thrombotic (NT)
						Reflux (R)
					Thrombotic or non-thrombotic reflux	Congenital (C)
						DVT
						Deep vein thrombosis

* Must include CEAP classification for full characterization of lower extremity varices.

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Taken from the European Society for Vascular Surgery (ESVS) 2022 Clinical Practice Guidelines on the Management of Chronic Venous Disease of the Lower Limbs

Recommendation 86				New
For patients with varicose veins of pelvic origin without pelvic symptoms requiring treatment, local procedures for varicose veins and related pelvic escape points should be considered, as initial therapeutic approach.				
Class	Level	References	ToE	
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Recommendation 87				New
For patients with varicose veins of pelvic origin without pelvic symptoms, pelvic vein embolization as initial treatment should not be performed.				
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		Hartung et al. (2015)	479	

Recommendation 88				New
For patients with varicose veins of pelvic origin with pelvic symptoms requiring treatment, pelvic vein embolization should be considered to reduce symptoms.				
Class	Level	References	ToE	
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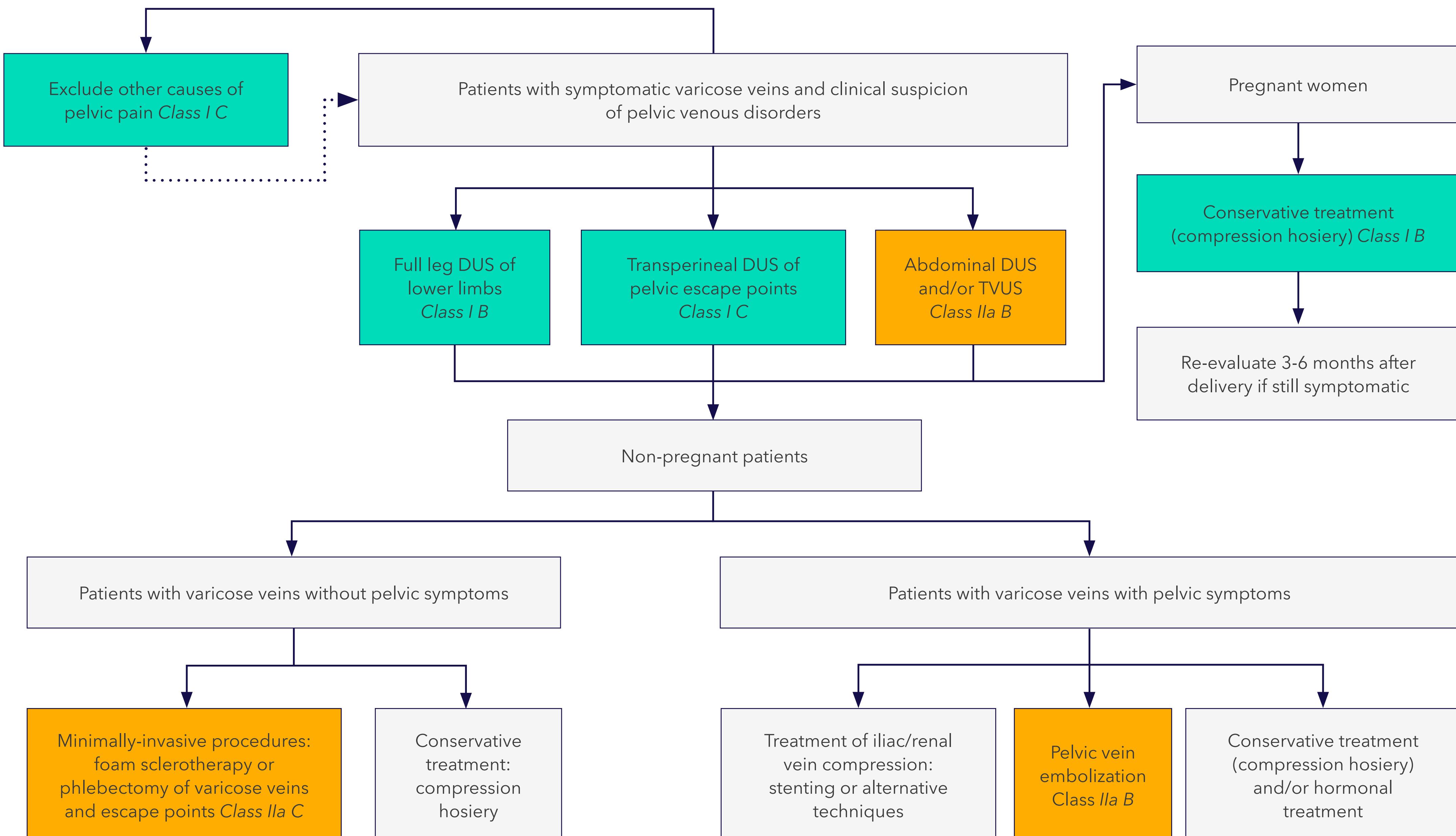


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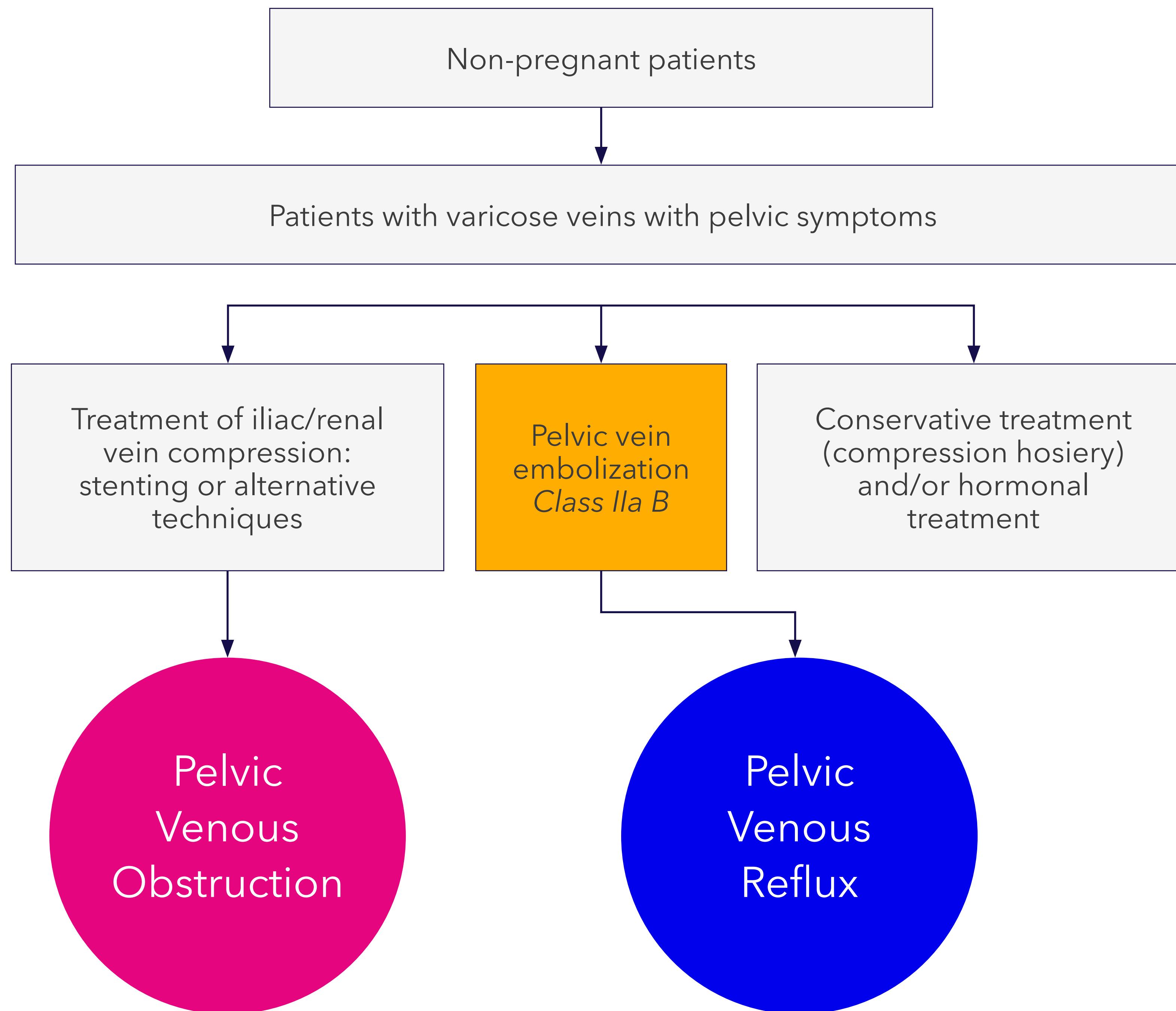


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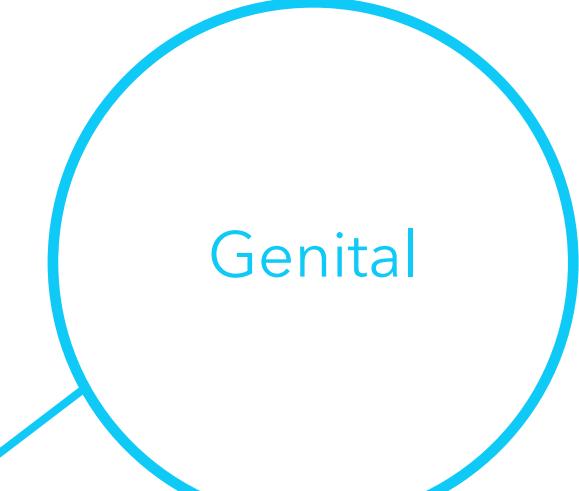
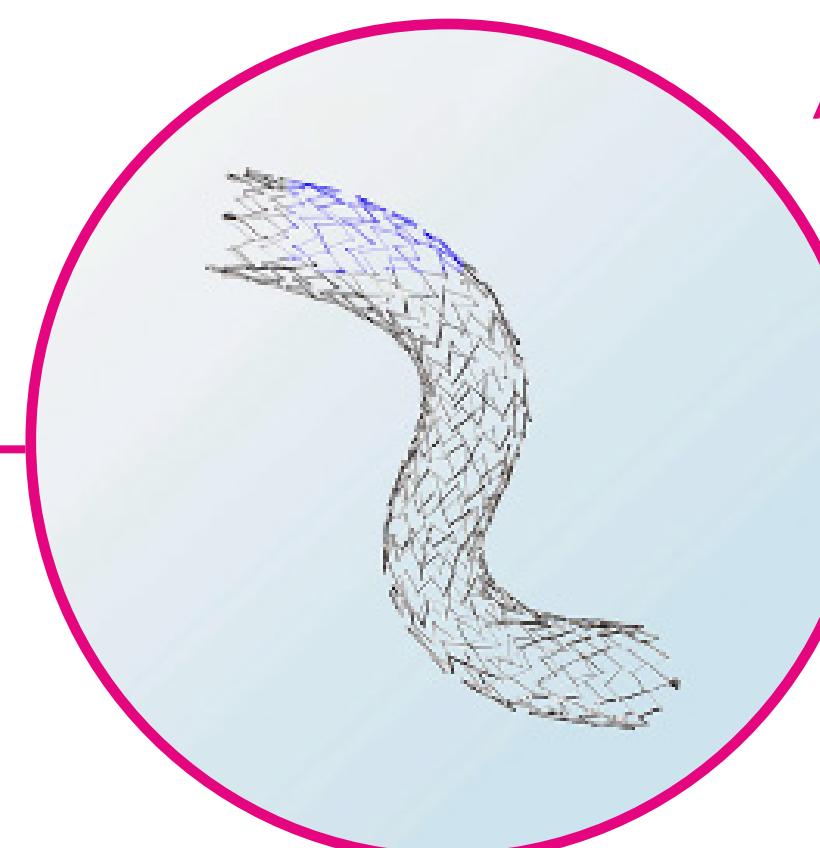
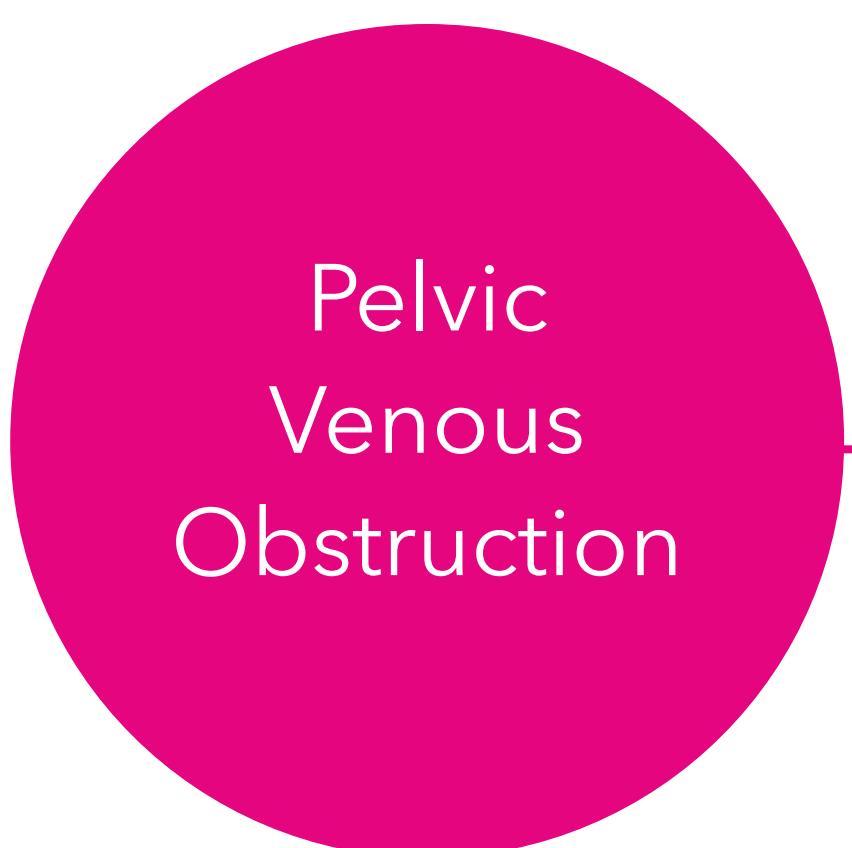
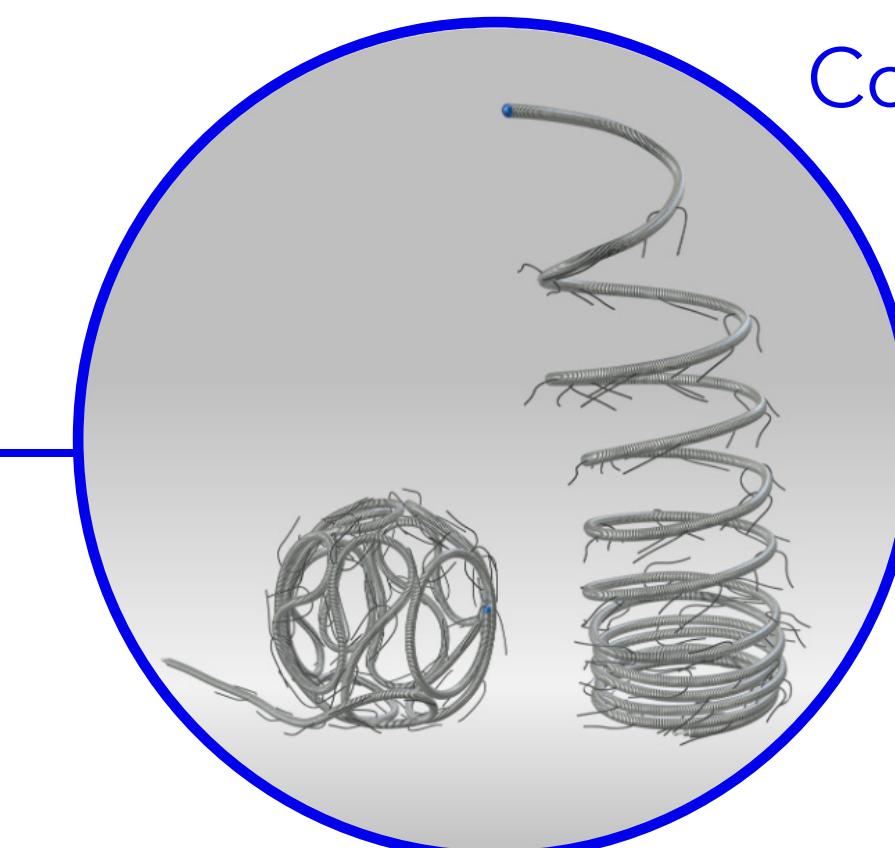
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Our solutions to treat each aspect of PeVD



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Embolization of Pelvic Venous Reflux

Onyx™ Liquid Embolic System

The advantage of time, the power of control

- The Onyx™ Liquid Embolic System is an ethylene vinyl alcohol (EVOH) copolymer that provides complete filling and distal penetration¹ of peripheral lesions
- Its non-adhesive properties permit more distal nidus embolization without significant risk of catheter entrapment, while higher viscosities allow for controlled deployment²



1 Jose Urbano, MD, PhD Selective Arterial Embolization with Ethylene-Vinyl Alcohol Copolymer for Control of Massive Lower Gastrointestinal Bleeding: Feasibility and Initial Experience. *J Vasc Interv Radiol.* 2014.

2 Ricardo Yamada, Andre Uflacker, Austin Bourgeols, Joshua D. Adams, Marcelo Guimaraes. 'EVOH/DMSO In Peripheral Application' In Embolization Therapy: Principles and Clinical Applications, ed. Marcelo Guimaraes, Riccardo Lencioni, and Gary P. Siskin (Philadelphia, Wolters Kluwer, 2015), 582 pp

Embolization of Pelvic Venous Reflux

Concerto™ Detachable Coil System

Softness with smooth navigation

- Soft coils track easily through tortuous anatomy to access distal locations*
- Soft distal pusher reduces microcatheter kickback during deployment*

Enhanced thrombogenicity

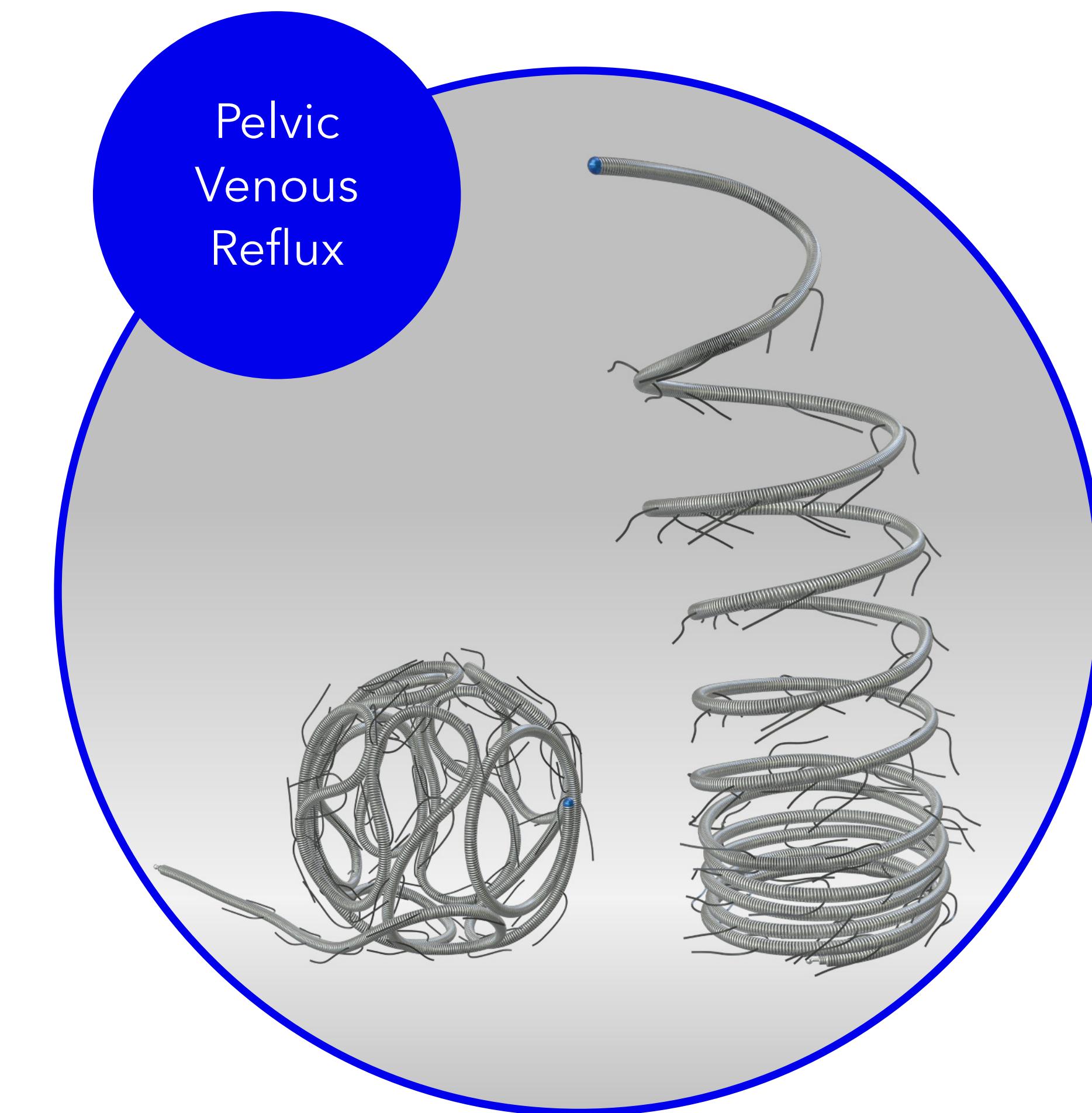
- Fibers increase thrombogenicity of the coil compared to bare metal equivalent¹
- Nylon and PGLA fibers system features the unique LatticeFX™ technology which promotes thrombotic response¹

Reliable deployment

- Fully re-sheathable, after complete or partial deployment, and is easily repositionable*
- Coil detaches instantaneously with proven reliability*

Optimal framing with a complex shape

- Conformable 3D shape with excellent stability*
- Designed to create a complex frame for filling*



* Medtronic internal reports: TR13-067 rev B / TR13-081 Rev A / TR12-054 REV A / TR14-061 Rev A / TR14-062 Rev A / TR14-065 Rev A.

1. Girdhar G. et al. In-vitro thrombogenicity assessment of polymer filament modified and native platinum embolic coils. Journal of the Neurological Sciences. 2014;339(1-2):97-101.

Embolization of Pelvic Venous Reflux with Onyx™ and Concerto™

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Case report

62-year-old woman with pelvic pain for 3-4 years

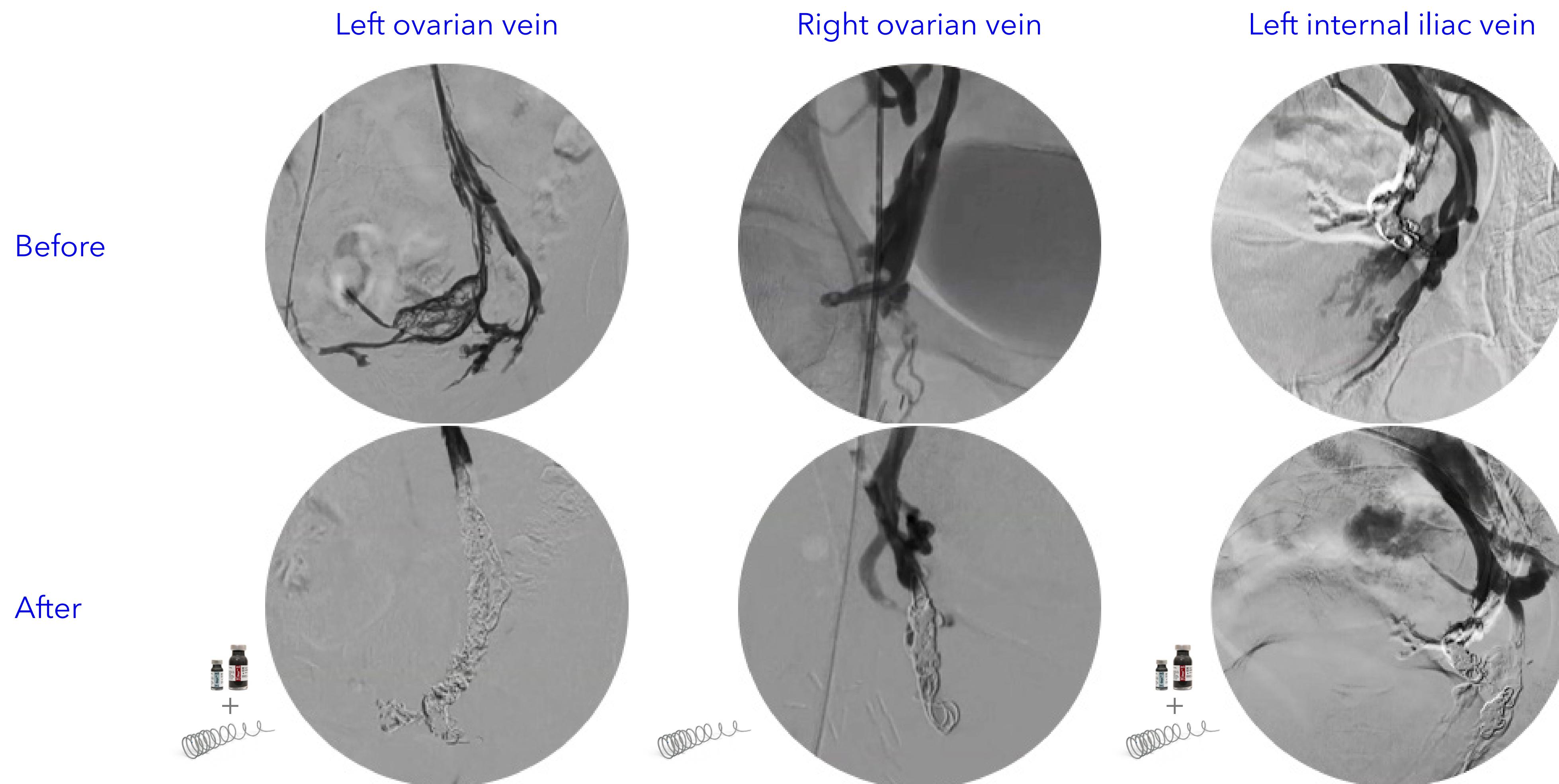
- Previous surgery for varicose veins in right leg
- Recurrence of pain in the groin
- A scan showed pelvic varices, mainly on the left
- Right femoral vein puncture performed
- Embolization performed with a combination of
 - **Onyx™** Liquid Embolic System
 - and
 - **Concerto™** Detachable Coil System
- Procedure carried out under
local anesthesia with same-day discharge



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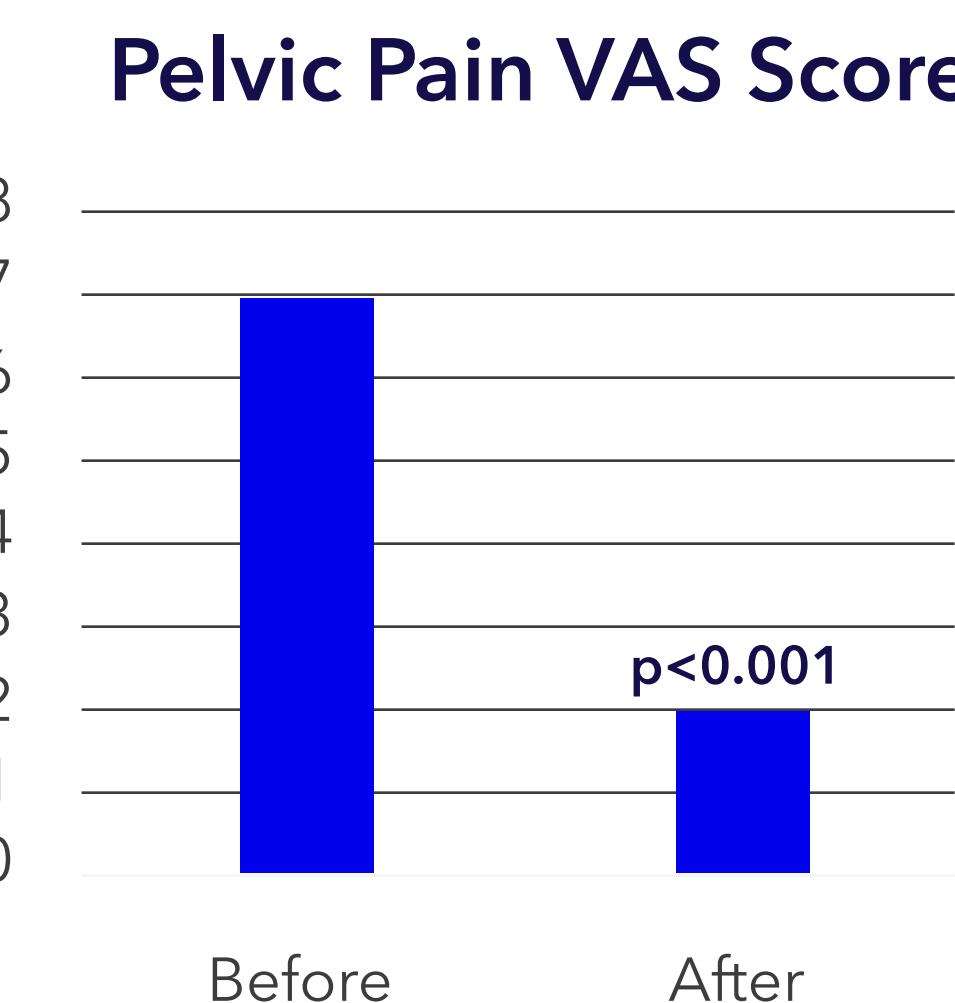
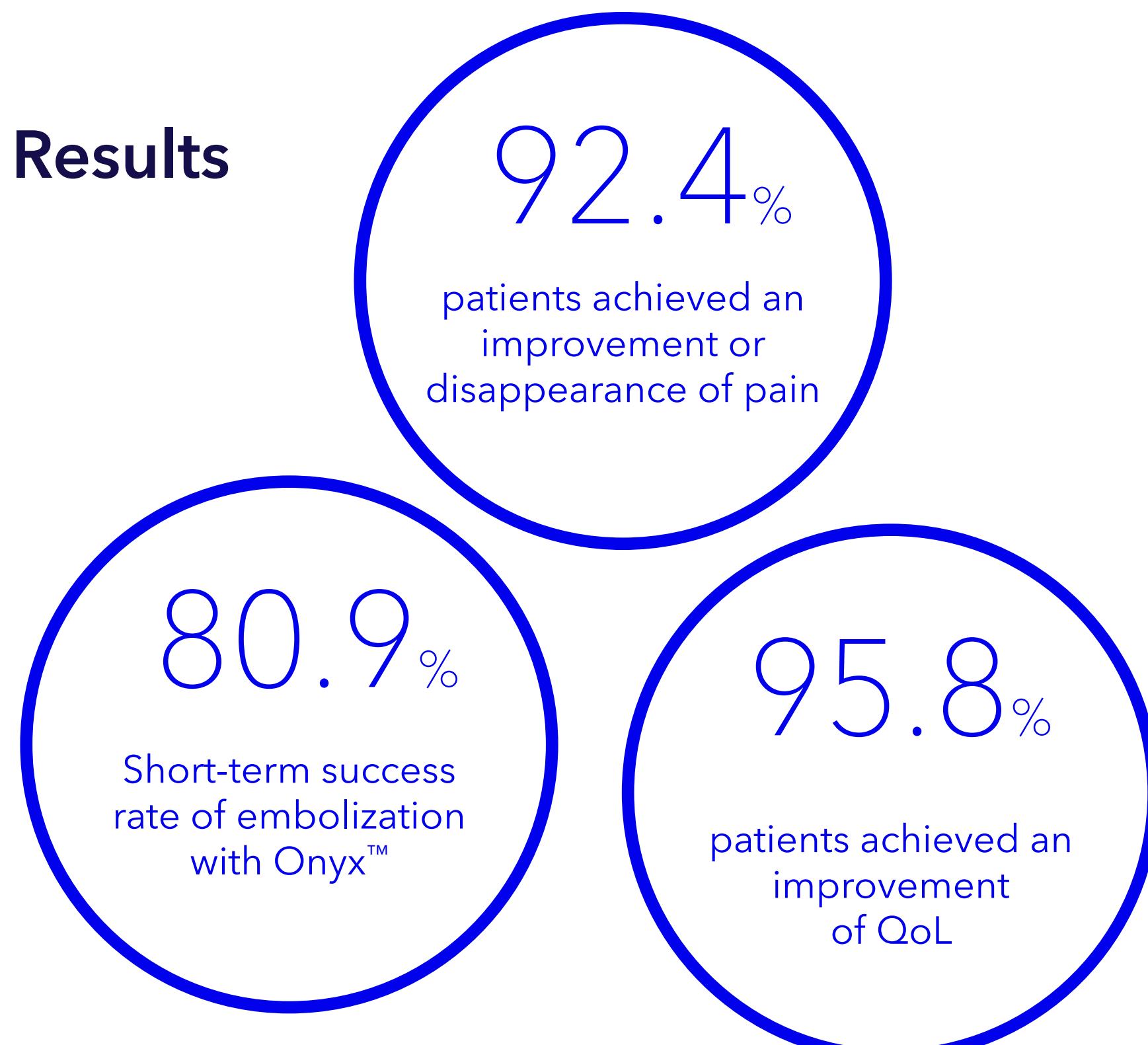


Latest evidence in the treatment of PeVD with Onyx™

Objective

To evaluate clinical mid-term outcome of transcatheter embolization with Onyx™ in women with PeVD.

Results



Single center, retrospective study



327 consecutively-recruited patients with PeVD suspected pelvic congestion syndrome (PCS) or lower leg varices (LLV) >6 months



All patients underwent embolization with the **Onyx™ Liquid Embolic System**



Follow-up at 1, 6, and 12 months, and then annually for 5 years. Additional clinical data (pain relief and QoL) were collected via phone

Conclusions

Embolization of pelvic veins by using the Onyx™ technique and stent placement has been shown to be an **effective and safe technique, resulting in relevant clinical success with an overall improvement of pain and QoL.**

Source: Sénéchal Q et al. "Endovascular Treatment of Pelvic Congestion Syndrome: Visual Analog Scale Follow-Up". Front. Cardiovasc. Med. 2021; 8 :751178

Venous Self-Expanding Stent System

Abre™

The Abre™ Venous Self-Expanding Stent system is designed for the unique challenges of venous disease. It offers easy deployment, to let physicians focus on their patient, and delivers demonstrated endurance, to give patients freedom of movement.^{1,2}

The ABRE clinical study demonstrates the safety and effectiveness of the Abre™ Venous Stent.¹

- 88% primary patency at 12 months*
- 98% freedom from MAEs at 30 days†
- 0% fracture rate at 50 years in bench testing²
- 0% fracture rate in clinical trial with 44% of stents extending below inguinal ligament into the CFV¹



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2. Test data on file at Medtronic. Report 10558227DOC_Rev A. Bench test results may not be indicative of clinical performance.

* Primary Patency was defined as meeting all of the following criteria at 12 months post-procedure: Freedom from occlusion or restenosis $\geq 50\%$ of the stented segment of the target lesion and freedom from clinically driven target lesion revascularization.

† MAEs included all-cause death, clinically significant pulmonary embolism, procedural major bleeding complication, stent thrombosis, and stent migration. MAEs were adjudicated by a Clinical Events Committee, except stent thrombosis and stent migration, which were assessed by an imaging core laboratory.

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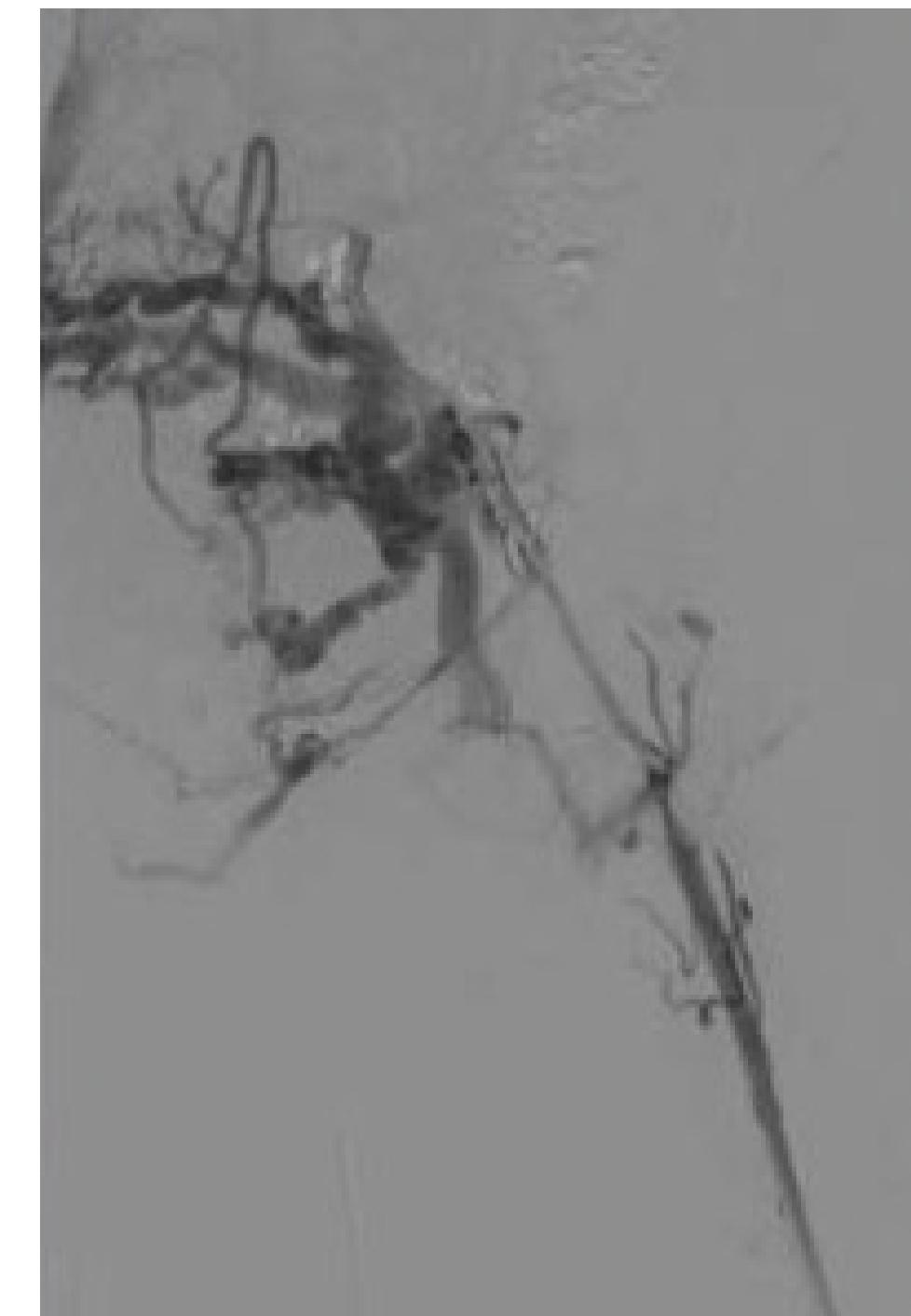
Recanalization of an ilio-femoral chronic venous obstruction

Abre™

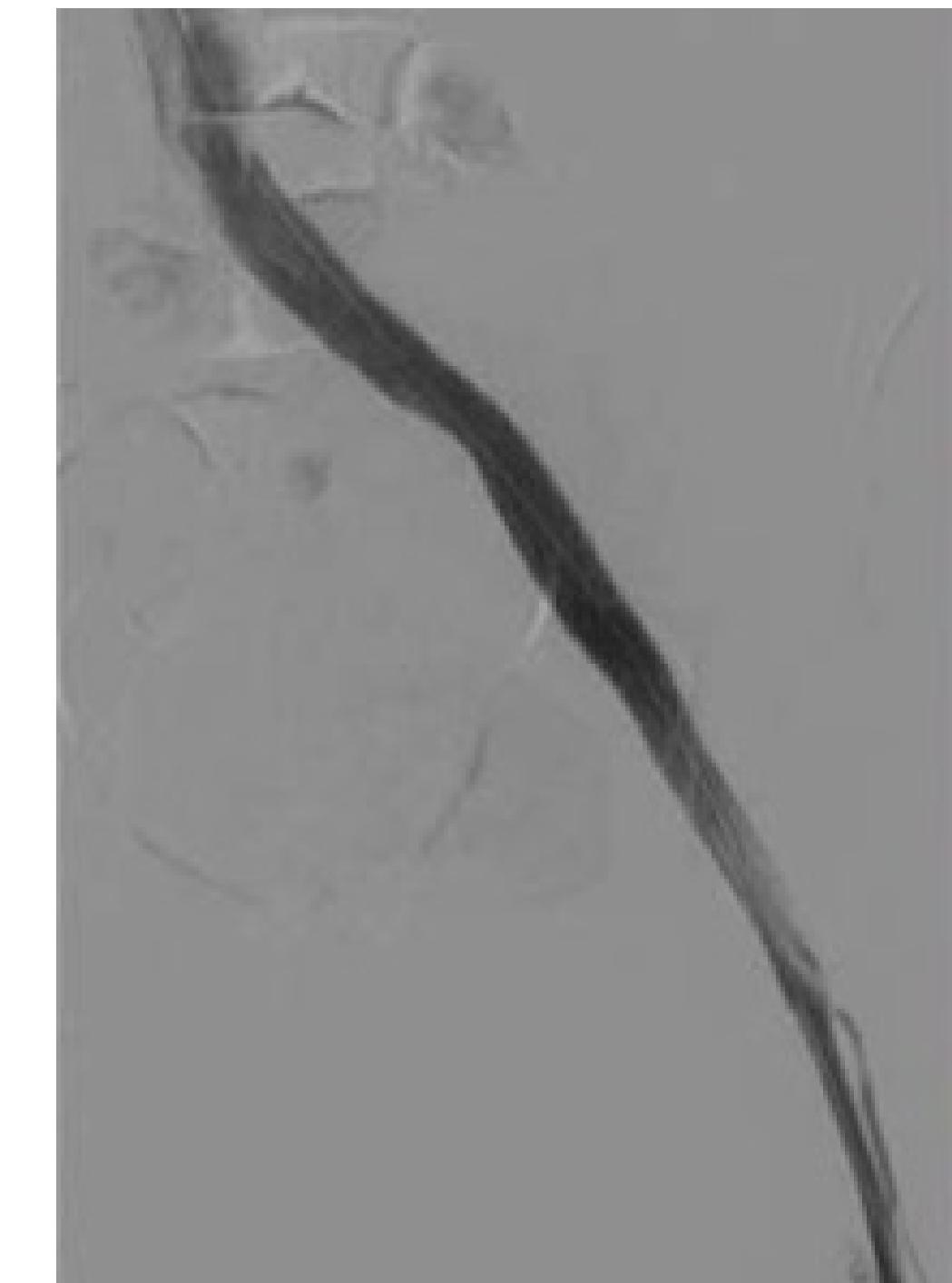
33-year-old woman with left ilio-femoral descending DVT for 2 years

- Pain, swelling, tension and venous claudication (Villalta score 14)
- Chronic obstruction of the left common iliac vein, external iliac vein
- Non obstructive synechiae at the common femoral vein
- No involvement of the femoral and deep femoral vein (good inflow)
- Abdominal collaterals
- Procedure performed under local anesthesia
- Two Abre™ Stents were deployed:
 - 14mm x 150mm
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Medtronic solutions for lower extremity varices

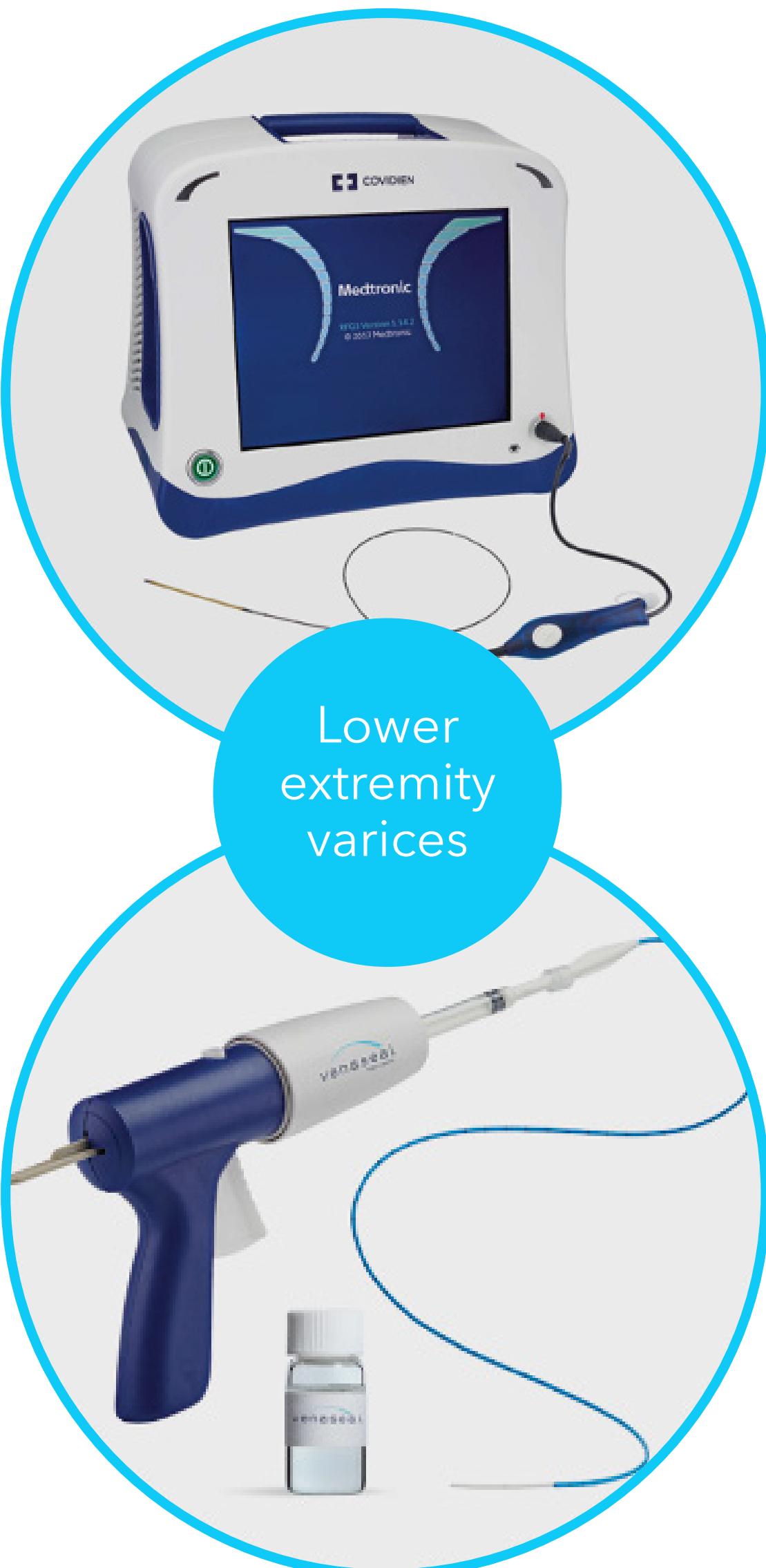
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The ClosureFast™ Procedure, with its patented overlap design, is the only RFA procedure with published long-term clinical data demonstrating safety and efficacy, with a 91.9% closure rate at 5 years.¹⁻²

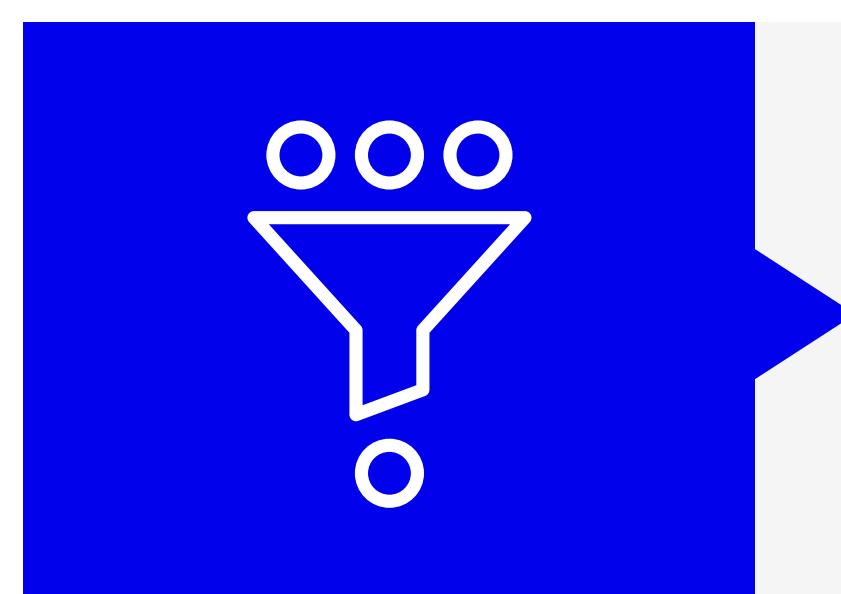
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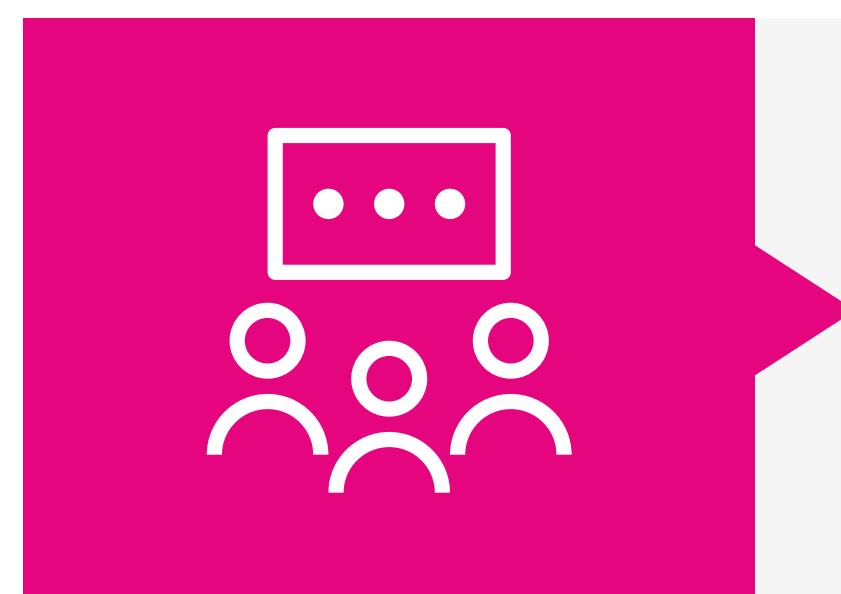
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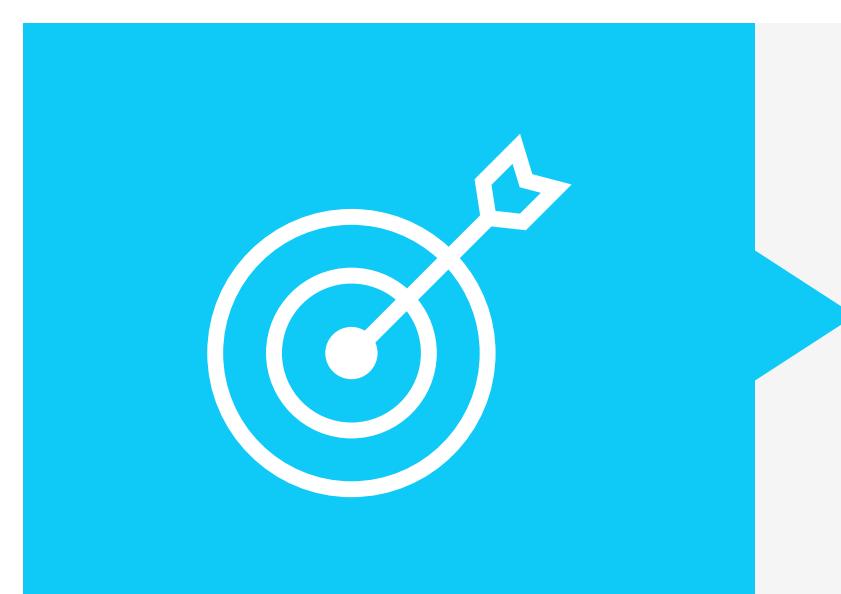
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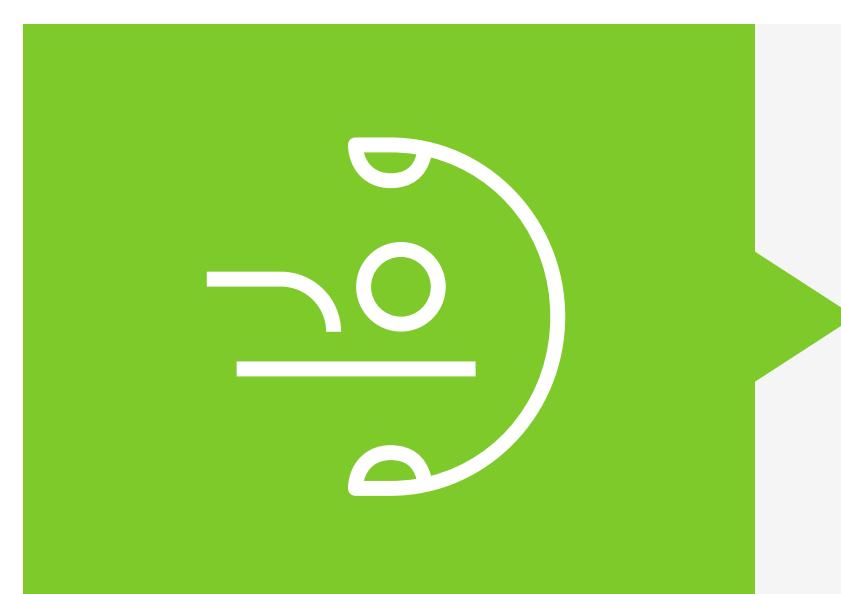
The new SVP classification encapsulates historical syndrome nomenclatures into one framework that supports the precise characterization of PeVD patients



The SVP classification was endorsed by the main Vascular Surgery and Interventional Radiology Societies and included in the 2022 CVI guidelines from EVS



It enables a better targeted and more holistic treatment approach that may include embolization, stenting, and superficial procedures



Our comprehensive set of proven solutions addresses the varied therapeutic needs of PeVD patients, including embolization and venous stenting

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