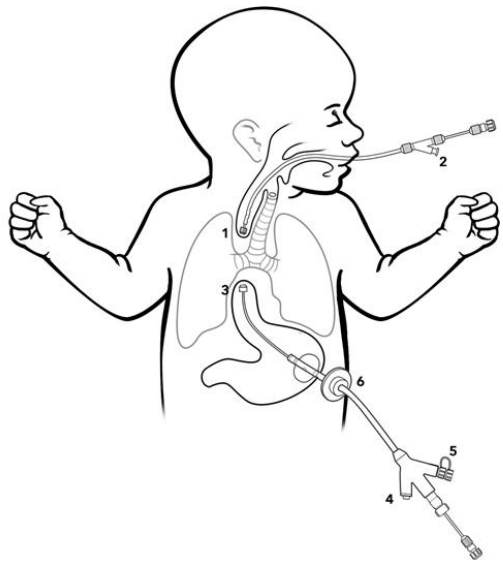


# Flourish<sup>®</sup> Pediatric Esophageal Atresia Device

Sponsor Presentation to  
the Pediatric Advisory  
Committee

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# Overview of Cook Medical

- Founded in 1963, Cook Medical is a family owned, multinational medical device manufacturer with world headquarters in Bloomington, Indiana.
- Our company employs over 12,000 employees worldwide, 8,000 of which are employed in North America.
- We manufacture over 10,000 different products and innovate minimally invasive diagnostic and therapeutic products for treatment of a wide variety of diseases.



# Long-term Commitment to Pediatric Patients

- Cook helped craft the enabling legislation for HDEs; and contributed to the implementing regulation
- Pioneered first HDE approval (Harrison Fetal Bladder Stent)
- Provided comments on all amendments of HDE regulations
- Submitted an accepted NEST project to evaluate collecting Real World Data (RWD) in support of a pediatric device approval
- Actively pursuing additional small-market pediatric products (e.g., within HBD for Children program)
- Approval of the Flourish Atresia Device—a minimally invasive option for select infants that avoids need for major surgery

## Humanitarian Device

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Authorized by federal law for use in the treatment of lengthening atretic esophageal ends and creating an anastomosis with a non-surgical procedure in pediatric patients, up to one year of age with esophageal atresia without a tracheoesophageal fistula (TEF), or in pediatric patients up to one year of age for whom a concurrent TEF has been closed as a result of a prior procedure. The effectiveness of this use has not been demonstrated.

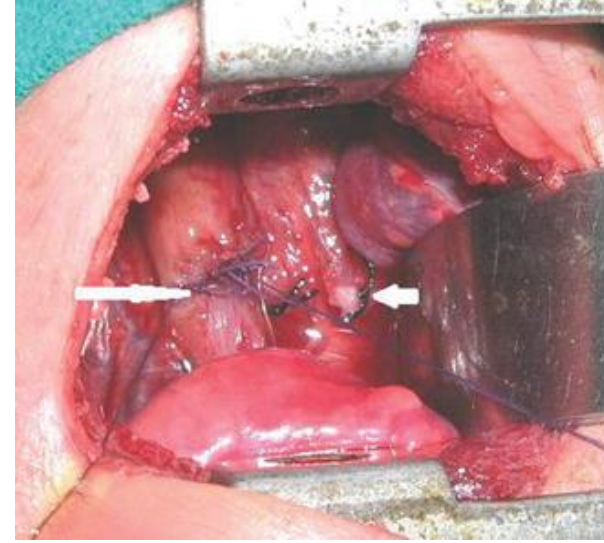
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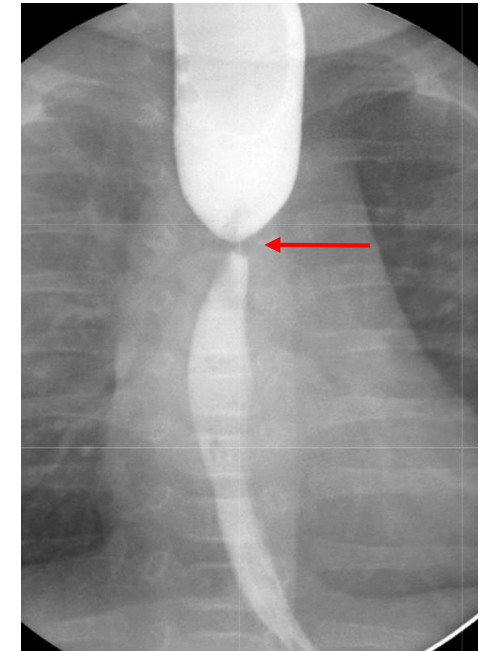
# Complications of Surgical Repair

Repair of EA with or without TEF

- Anastomotic leak – 13-16%
- Stricture – 11% up to 80%
  - Need for repeated balloon dilatation not uncommon
- Recurrent fistula – 3-14%
- Long-term:
  - Gastroesophageal reflux
  - Tracheomalacia
  - Quality-of-life issues



Leak



Stricture



# Complications of Surgical Repair (Types A&B)

**Table 3**

Postoperative complications to the different surgical approaches.

Surgery related complications <sup>a</sup>	Total (n = 326)	DPA (n = 223)	GPU (n = 27)	GT (n = 26)	CI (n = 25)	Jl (n = 1)	Other <sup>e</sup> (n = 24)	p- value
Anastomotic leakage, n (%)	74 (22.7%)	50 (22.4%)	7 (25.9%)	7 (26.9%)	2 (8.0%)	0	8 (33.3%)	0.491
Anastomotic stricture, n (%)	175 (53.7%)	138 (61.9%)	8 (29.6%)	13 (50.0%)	2 (8.0%)	0	14 (58.3%)	<0.001
GER, n (%)	105 (32.2%)	91 (40.8%)	1 (3.7%)	0	4 (16.0%)	-	9 (37.5%)	<0.001

A systematic review of 10 years through 2016 showed:

- Mortality rate of nearly 5%
- Additional surgery required in 8.6% of cases

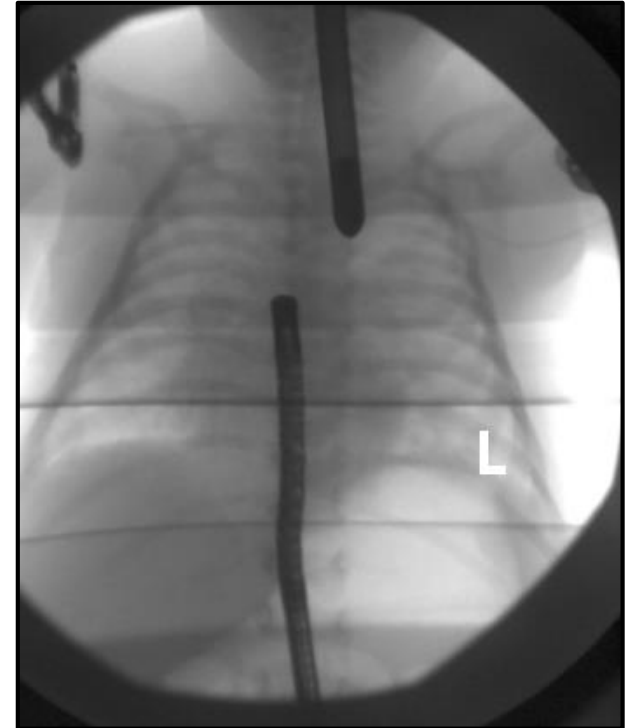
Total number of thoracotomies, mean ± SD	1.1 ± 1.1 (n = 125)	1.4 ± 1.3 (n = 77)	0.1 ± 0.3 (n = 15)	1 ± 0 (n = 7)	0.3 ± 0.5 (n = 6)	0 (n = 1)	0.9 ± 0.6 (n = 19)	<0.001
Mortality <sup>d</sup> , n (%)	15 (4.6%)	9 (4.0%)	1 (3.7%)	2 (7.7%)	3 (12.0%)	0	0	<0.001

<sup>a</sup>There are missing values. <sup>b</sup>Other complications were mainly pneumothorax, fistulation, infection and ischemia. <sup>c</sup>Fundoplication due to GER: Nissen fundoplication (n = 41), Thal fundoplication (n = 3) and Toupet fundoplication (n = 3). <sup>d</sup>Mortality within the first postoperative year. <sup>e</sup>Other interventions that were applied are listed in Table 1. A - in the table indicates no reporting of the specific issue.

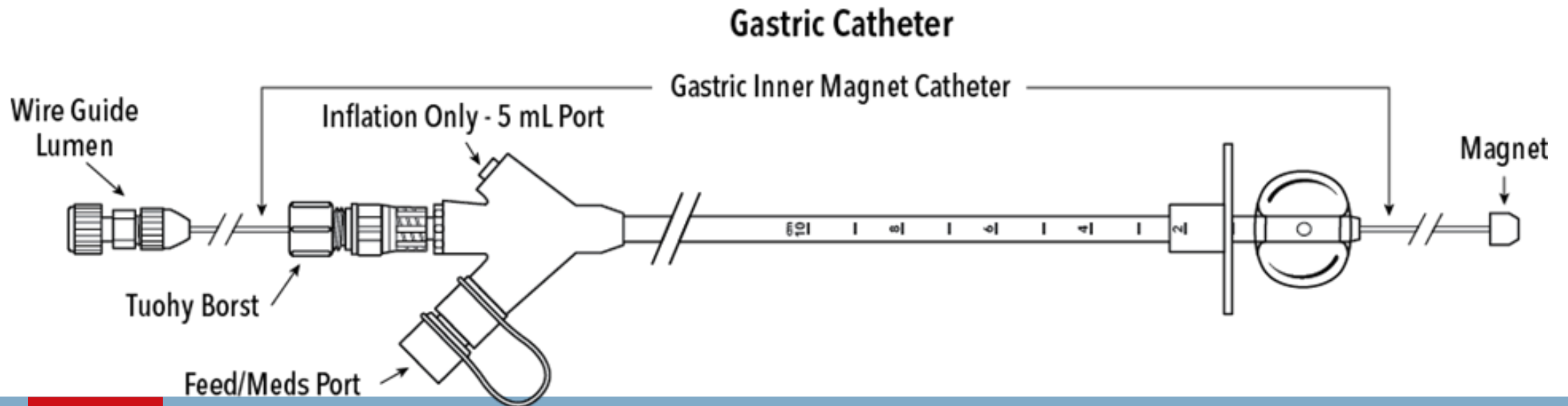
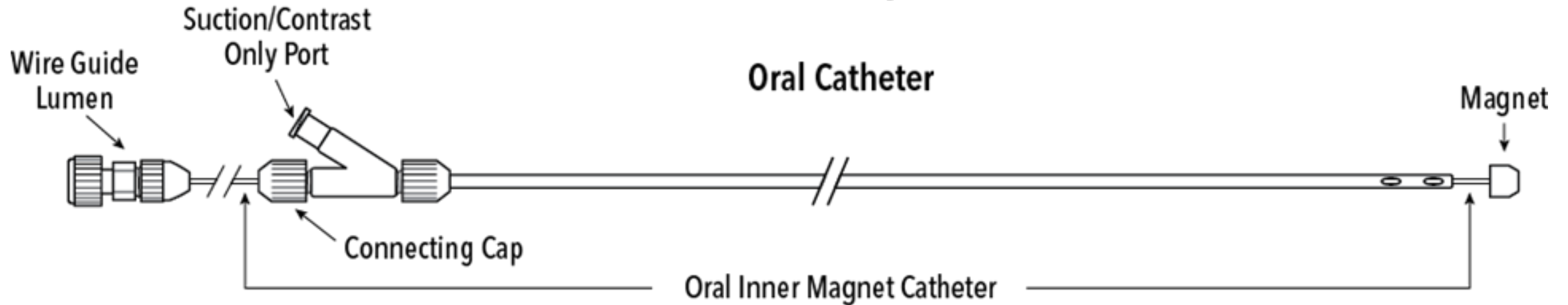


# Long-gap Operative Management – Technically Challenging

- Variety of techniques used
- Multiple operations
- Repeated anesthetics
- Prolonged operative times
- Significant physiologic stress to patient



# Flourish Pediatric Esophageal Atresia Device



# Expected Benefits of Flourish (Nonsurgical alternative for esophageal anastomosis)

- Avoid an invasive surgical procedure
- Avoid dissection on esophageal pouches
  - Potential for decreased dysmotility of esophagus
  - Decrease risk of injury to recurrent laryngeal nerve
  - No need for Azygos vein ligation, which prevents rare potential for hemorrhagic events
- May be particularly beneficial for patients with cardiac or other anomalies

# Overview of Post-Approval Experience

- Used in 33 infants from May 2017 through July 2021
  - Includes one compassionate use case prior to distribution
  - 3 patients have had two devices used
- Device has been used in 8 patients in 4 hospitals in Canada under Special Access provisions
- Device has been used in 25 patients in 16 hospitals in the U.S.
- The primary safety outcome (major adverse events)<sup>a</sup> and secondary endpoint for evaluation of probable benefit (successful anastomosis)<sup>b</sup> are known for all 33 patients

<sup>a</sup> Stricture at the anastomotic site leading to the need for intervention; peri-anastomotic leaks; and other adverse events and/or complications potentially related to the device or procedure (including, but not limited to: GERD, tracheomalacia, esophageal dysmotility, and/or recurrent asthma or pulmonary infections)

<sup>b</sup> Defined as creation of a lumen connecting the upper esophageal pouch to the lower esophageal pouch as demonstrated by union of the device magnets and an esophagram showing connected flow of contrast agent

# Total Post-Approval Experience: Outcomes

Reporting Period		Cases (% of total)	Success (% of cases)	Adverse Device Effects <sup>a</sup>
2018 – 2019	PAS	4 (57%)	1 (25%)	0 <sup>b</sup>
	U.S.	2	1 (50%)	0
	Can	1	1 (100%)	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3 (43%)</b>	<b>0</b>
2019 – May 2020	PAS	2 (14%)	1 (50%)	0
	U.S.	8	5 (62%)	0
	Can	4	2 (50%)	1 <sup>c</sup>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>8 (57%)</b>	<b>1</b>
Jun 2020 – May 2021	PAS	0 (0%)	N/A	0
	U.S.	6	5 (83%)	2 <sup>d</sup>
	Can	3	1 (33%)	1 <sup>e</sup>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6 (67%)</b>	<b>3</b>
2018 – May 2021 Totals	PAS	6 (20%)	2 (33%)	0
	U.S.	16	11 (69%)	2 <sup>d</sup>
	Can	8	4 (50%)	2 <sup>c,e</sup>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>31<sup>f</sup></b>	<b>18 (58%)</b>	<b>4 (13%)</b>

<sup>a</sup> Dilation of post-anastomotic strictures not included

<sup>b</sup> Subsequent death due to pre-existing underlying comorbidities (no MDR considered necessary)

<sup>c</sup> Esophageal pouch leak (MDR 1037905-2020-00115); unrecognized pre-existing TEF (MDR 1037905-2020-00187)

<sup>d</sup> Potential perforation (MDR 1037905-2020-00334); TEF (MDR 1037905-2021-00194)

<sup>e</sup> Perforation (MDR 1037905-2020-00407)

<sup>f</sup> Includes one compassionate use case prior to reporting periods and commercialization of approved device

# Considerations for Successful Anastomosis

- There are likely factors that influence success (e.g., prior thoracic surgery, patient anatomy, connective tissue tethering of pouches to adjacent structures)
  - More complete data to come from the PAS may be helpful in better understanding factors that affect success

**Importantly, infants without successful anastomosis remain surgical candidates (device use does not limit subsequent surgery)**

A complaint<sup>a</sup> regarding magnet forces and questions from FDA prompted review of the magnet forces

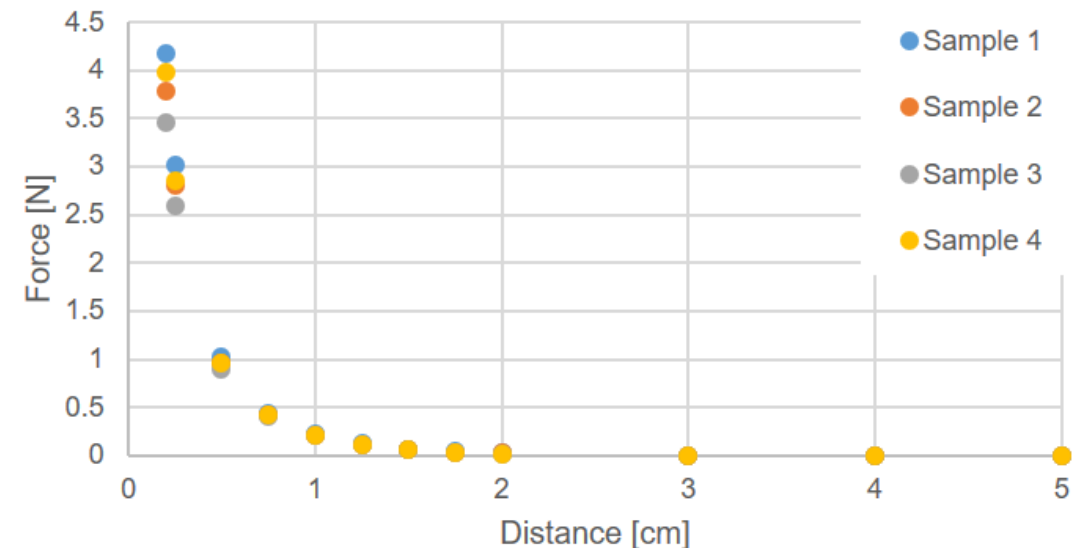
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# Considerations for Magnet Forces

- “*Compression pressure [at a distance of 2 mm] should not exceed 60 N/cm<sup>2</sup>”*<sup>1</sup>
  - Higher compressive pressure may increase risk of perforation and/or anastomotic leaks
- For the Flourish surface area (0.104 cm<sup>2</sup>) the force at 2 mm should be < 6.2 N
- Upper 99% confidence limit of measured Flourish magnet force at 2 mm is 4.8 N
  - Provides a reasonable safety margin
  - Force decreases exponentially with separation
- A meaningful increase in force at 4 cm separation would cause a potentially unsafe increase at 2 mm (i.e., >> 6 N)

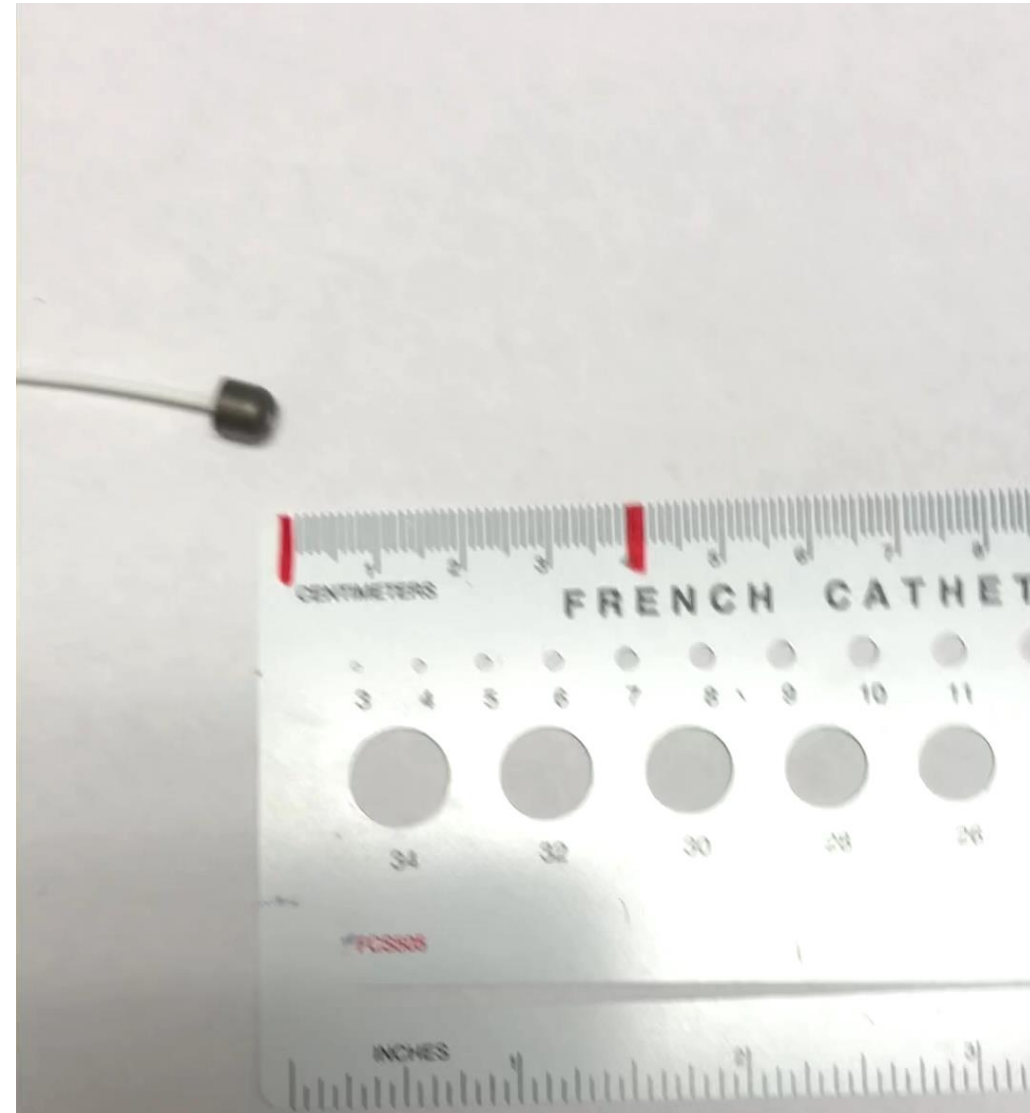
Attractive Forces Between Magnets at Various Gap Distances



<sup>1</sup> Lambe T., et al. Magnetic compression in gastrointestinal and bilioenteric anastomosis: How much force? (2014) Surgical Innovation, 21 (1), pp. 65-73.

# Attractive Forces at Greater Distances

- *Ex vivo*, the magnets visibly attract each other at distances greater than 4 cm. This confirms the magnetic fields are interacting
- Factors that could impact magnetic attraction:
  - Alignment of magnets
  - Proximity to metallic objects
- Importantly, in clinical use:
  - This same magnet design formed an esophageal anastomosis in the premarket patients<sup>2</sup>
  - Successful anastomoses have been achieved in infants with gap lengths up to 4 cm



<sup>2</sup> Zaritzky M., Ben R., Johnston K. Magnetic gastrointestinal anastomosis in pediatric patients (2014) Journal of Pediatric Surgery, 49 (7) pp. 1131-1137.

# Post-approval Clinical Experience: Safety

- 4 MDRs filed in 2020 and 2021 related to esophageal pouch leak,<sup>a</sup> potential perforation,<sup>b</sup> perforation,<sup>c</sup> or possible perforation with tracheoesophageal fistula (TEF)<sup>d</sup>
  - In every case, the physician exceeded recommended device use by modifying device placement and maintenance (e.g., leaving G-tube advanced into lower esophageal pouch, applying added force/tension to the magnet catheters, locking the magnets)
  - It is unclear whether the TEF was an unappreciated pre-existing defect

<sup>a</sup> MDR 1037905-2020-00115 (filed in prior PAC reporting period)

<sup>b</sup> MDR 1037905-2020-00334

<sup>c</sup> MDR 1037905-2020-00407

<sup>d</sup> MDR 1037905-2021-00194

# Implemented Labeling Changes to IFU and Training Materials

- Changes to address potential esophageal leak/perforation and strengthen warnings against abnormal use were approved by FDA on December 10, 2020
  - Expanded the list of potential complications during device indwell to include perforation/leak of one or both esophageal pouches or anastomotic site, which could result in additional procedures and/or death
  - Added warnings to not advance and maintain the G-tube into the lower esophageal pouch and to not apply force onto the catheters to approximate them
  - Clarified the locking status of the oral and gastric catheters during indwell

# IFU Changes Proposed to FDA

- Cook has proposed to FDA additional labeling changes intended to further enhance safety, including:
  - Addition of new TEF as a potential complication
  - Additions to warnings to clarify that applying sustained force to the catheters in an attempt to advance the magnets may increase the risk of perforation or TEF
  - Clarifications to language regarding repositioning the magnets during indwell

# Summary of Post-Approval Experience

- The rate of successful anastomosis has increased from 43% → 57% → 67% year over year
  - Suggests that changes in labeling have improved case selection
- The device is safe when used as recommended:
  - Balloon dilatation, though not uncommon, is also often necessary for infants whose EA has been treated surgically
  - Several cases of esophageal leak or perforation were associated with use of device well outside of recommendations; none occurred when labeling was followed (vs. 13-16% rate following surgery)
  - No unanticipated adverse device effects
  - No patient deaths (vs. published 5% rate with surgery)
- Importantly, infants without successful anastomosis remain candidates for surgery—device use does not limit options.
- We conclude that the benefit:risk ratio remains favorable



# Condition of Approval Study (PAS)

- Required to collect additional data from 20 patients by December 31, 2022 for a final report due on March 31, 2023
- Patients were initially enrolled under a traditional, investigative study design
  - Enrollment challenges prompted a change to a more pragmatic study design
- The study was changed to a RWD collection
  - October 02, 2020: FDA approved the revised study plan
  - December 28, 2020: a Central IRB approved the revised study plan
  - February – April 2021: local IRBs at 5 hospitals approved the revised study plan

# PAS Progress

- 9 patients in the U.S. are included
  - 6 patients were enrolled under the traditional, investigative study design
  - 3 patients were enrolled under the RWD study design (all since end of 2021 reporting period)
  - This represents 45% of the required total of 20
- 7 patients have met a study exit point and 2 patients remain active study participants
- PAS progress should accelerate now that many HCPs have been contacted to participate and understand the new approach

# Projected Cases for PAS Data Collection

Hospital Location	Number of Potential Patients	Outstanding Prerequisite
US	1	Parental informed consent
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US	2	Parental informed consent or a waiver of consent
US	1	Local IRB approval
US	1	Budget and contract
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Canada ( <i>n</i> = 4)	8	Submission of Investigational Testing Authorization (ITA) and study approval by Health Canada <sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup> The Flourish device is not commercially available in Canada and has been used under Special Access provisions

- With the 9 cases already collected, we expect these cases will bring our total to the required 20
- The additional case data will inform improvements in future case selection and labeling

# Summary and Conclusions

- The Flourish device provides an important minimally invasive treatment option for appropriate infants, often avoiding the need for major surgery
- Clinical experience to date has been largely favorable
  - Rate of successful anastomosis appears to be improving
  - No unanticipated adverse device effects
  - Use according to recommendations has lower mortality and morbidity than surgery
- PAS is on track for data extraction to be completed by 31 December 2022
- Device is safe when used as designed and intended
  - Additional labeling changes to enhance safety are being pursued
  - Infants without successful anastomosis remain surgical candidates (device use does not limit subsequent surgery)
- The benefit:risk ratio remains favorable and we look forward to sharing results of full PAS data with the PAC to support your decision making

# Questions?