## Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (AAA)

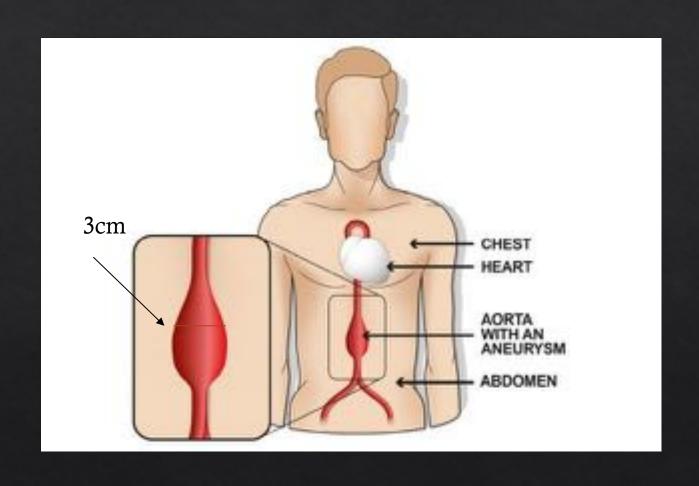
**EPIDEMIOLOGY** 

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CASE STUDIES

# AAA Introduction



## AAA Rupture

- $\Rightarrow$  <1% rupture risk for AAA baseline diameter 4.0 4.9cm at 12 months
- $\Rightarrow$  1-11% rupture risk for AAA baseline diameter  $5.0 \overline{5}.9$ cm at 12 months
- ♦ 10-22% rupture risk for AAA baseline diameter 6.0 6.9cm at 12 months
- ♦ 30-33% rupture risk for AAA baseline diameter >7.0cm at 12 months



♦For AAA baseline diameter >8.0cm

# AAA Mortality Rate

50-75% dead before they reach the hospital

50% of those who manage to reach the hospital will die before they reach the operating table

60% of those who manage to reach the operating table will die within 30 days of the operation

Early diagnosis and treatment critical before rupture



## AAA EPIDEMIOLOGY

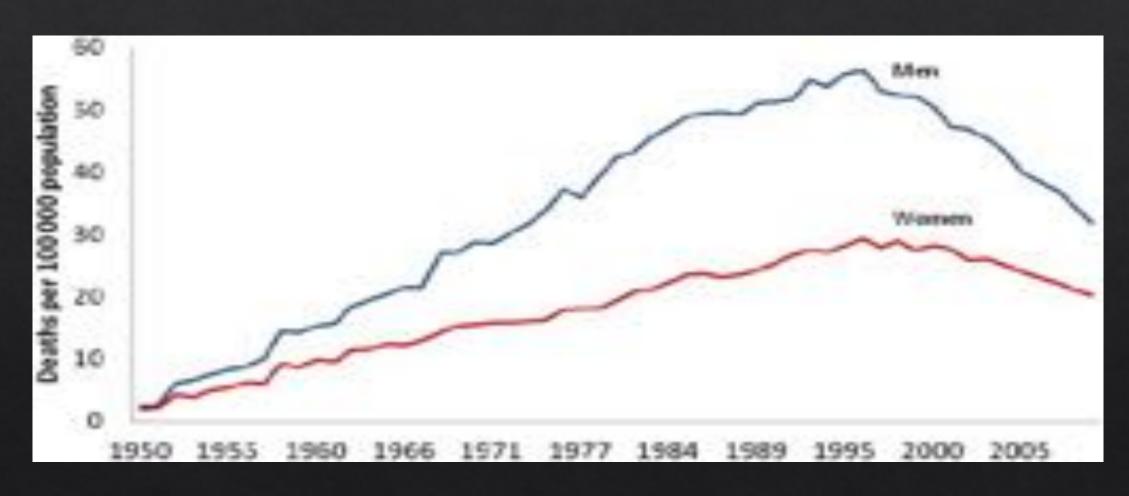
4 original screening studies

- Multicentre Aneurysm Screening Study (MASS)
- Good- quality Viborg Country, Denmark, screening trial
- Fair-quality Chichester, UK, screening trial
- Fair-quality Western Australia Screening Trial

Prevalence of AAA in males over 65 years of age: 4.0 - 7.6%

Prevalence of AAA in females over 65 years of age: 1.3%

## AAA Epidemiology



## AAA & Tobacco Use

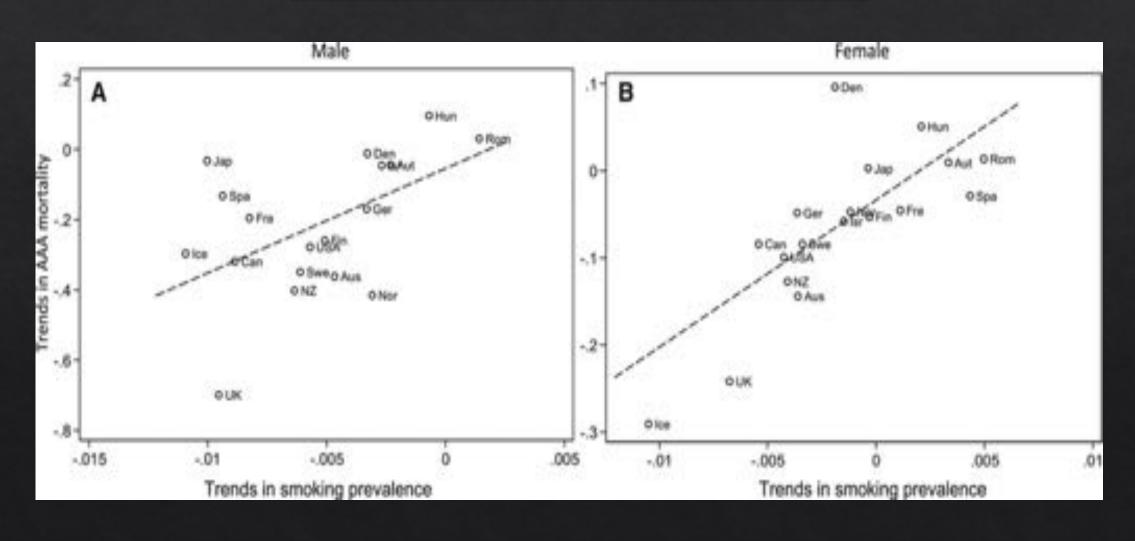
#### GLOBAL TOBACCO USE (WHO):

- ♦ 1.337 billion people used tobacco in 2018 compared to 1.397 billion people in 2000
- ♦ 60 million people reduction.

#### AUSTRALIAN TOBACCO USE (AIHW):

- $\Rightarrow$  1991 25% of adults smoked
- $\Rightarrow$  2016 12.8% of adults smoked
- ♦ 2019 11.6% of adults smoked

# AAA & Tobacco Use



## Risk Factors – Development of AAA

Advanced age

Male sex

Caucasian race

Family history

Tobacco use

Atherosclerosis

The presence of other large vessel aneurysms

## AAA & Tobacco Use

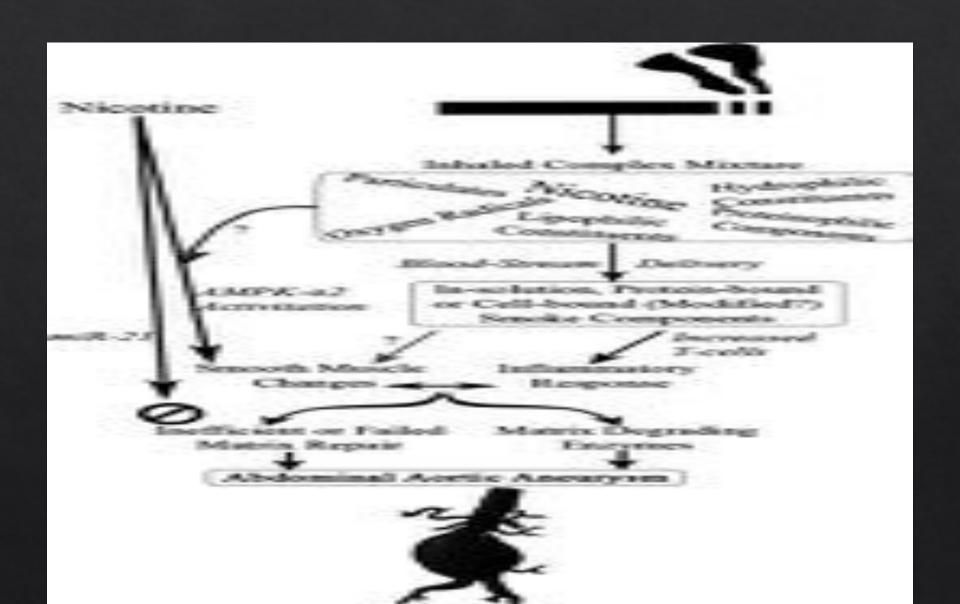
90% of all AAA patients have a history of tobacco use

Current male smokers have a 5-8 fold increased risk

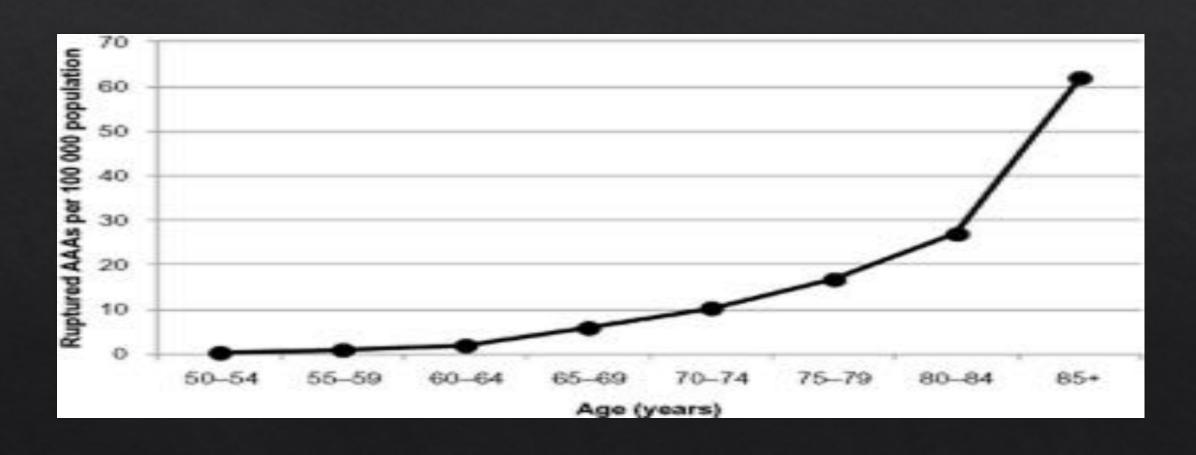
Current female smokers have a 15 fold increased risk

Males who smoke over 1 pack a day have a 15 fold increased risk

#### AAA & Tobacco Use



## AAA Risk Factors: Advancing Age



# AAA Risk Factors: Males

5 - 6 times more likely to develop a AAA

## AAA Risk Factors: Family History

Individuals with AAA	20% with family relative with AAA
Individuals with no AAA	2 – 10% with family relative with AAA

At least a 2 fold increased risk of developing a AAA with a positive family history

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6C2 / AORTO-ILIACS
General
2D 100%
THI / H6.00 MHz
6 dB / DR 70
ASC 5 / DTCE H
Map D / ST 3
E 1 / P 2
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⊹D=16.8 mm ∺D=21.8 mm



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+D=16.5 mm

## AAA Risk Factors: Race

#### Most common among;

- Caucasions of European descent &
- Non-Hispanic white Americans

10-fold lower in Asian populations.

0.45% Asian men develop AAA over 65 years of age

### AAA Risk Factors: Atherosclerotic disease

Coronary artery disease is present in over 25% of individuals with a AAA

Peripheral arterial disease is present in over 12% of individuals with a AAA

Incidence of AAA as low as 0.6% in patients with no known cardiovascular disease

Diabetes is a negative risk factor

#### AAA Risk Factors: Other Large Vessel Aneurysms

Femoral artery aneurysm – concomitant AAA 85% of the time

Popliteal artery aneurysm – concomitant AAA 60% of the time

AAA also found to coexist with intracranial aneurysm

# AAA Expansion

Large aneurysm diameter

Smoking

Female sex

History of cardiac or renal transplant

Decreased forced expiratory volume

Hypertension

# AAA – Aneurysm Diameter

AAA size	AAA growth rate
3.0cm – 4.0cm	0.22cm/year
4.0cm – 6.0cm	0.37cm/year
>6.0cm	0.69cm/year

# AAA Expansion: Tobacco Use

Increased expansion rate of 15-20% per annum

2-fold increase risk of aneurysm rupture

# AAA Expansion – Female Sex

More rapid expansion

Higher tendency to rupture at smaller diameters

3 x higher mortality from rupture

## AAA Expansion: Cardiac or renal transplant

Increase in prevalence of AAA with transplant

AAA expansion rates were higher relative to pretransplantation rates

#### <u>AAA Expansion – Decreased Forced Expiratory Volume</u>

COPD

Emphysema

Asthma

# AAA Expansion: Hypertension

Increased risk of AAA rupture in hypertensive patients.

Risk of rupture from hypertension is considered 4 fold higher in woman then men

#### ANEURYSM CASE STUDY 1

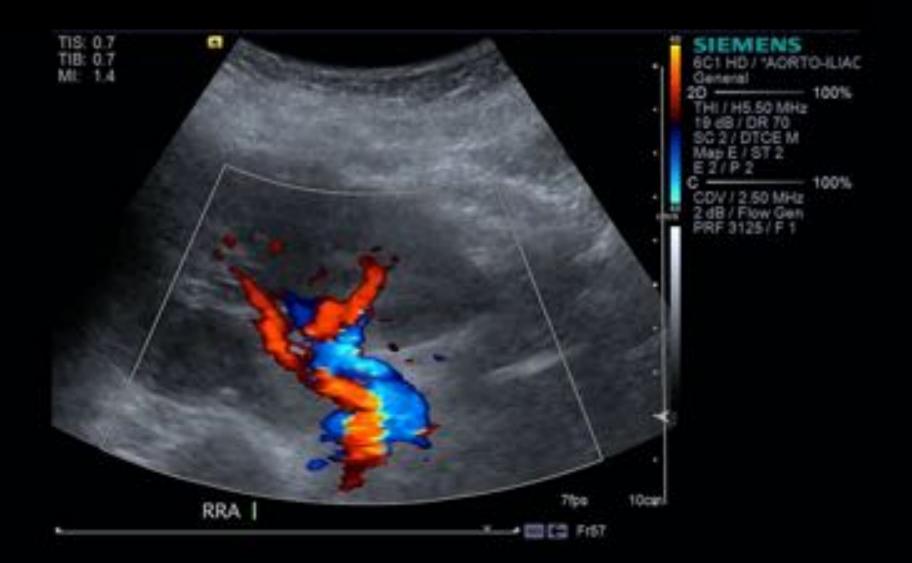
- ♦ Former Junior Australian Open Tennis Champion
- Competed in multiple grand slams
- Relatively young and healthy
- No known health problems
- Myocardial infarction
- Spontaneous coronary artery dissection
- Fibromuscular Dysplasia
- Renal Artery Aneurysm



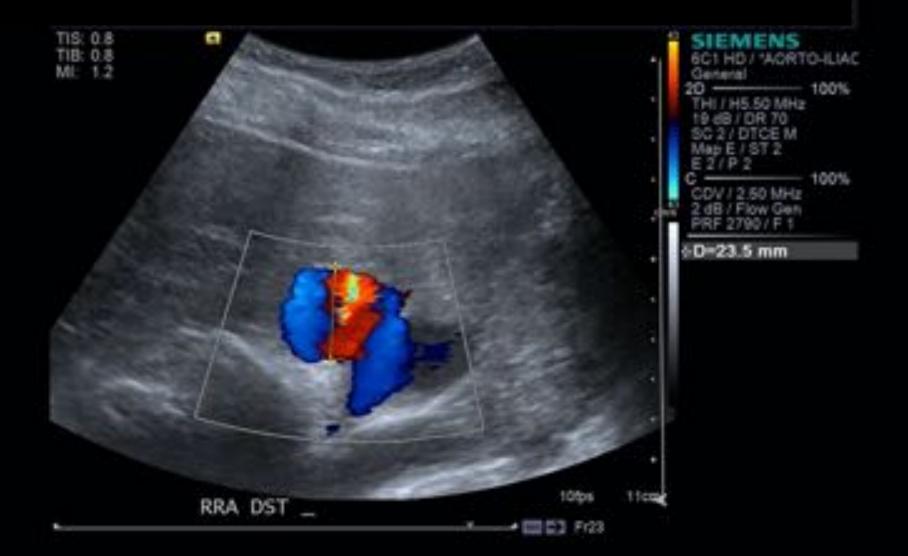
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#### ANEURYSM CASE STUDY 2

♦ Right below knee amputation

♦ Left diabetic foot ulcer

♦ Incidental finding of ?mycotic pseudoaneurysm of the suprarenal abdominal aorta

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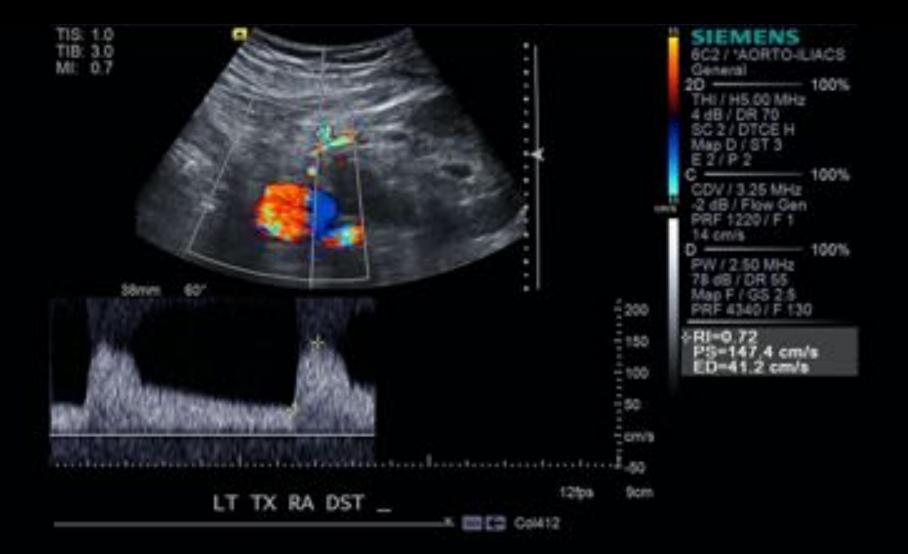
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#### ANEURYSM CASE STUDY 3

- ♦ Renal artery transplant
- ♦ Surveillance scan
- ♦ Recent imaging at a general radiology practice
- ♦ Renal artery anastomosis not seen











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