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# Implantable Fabrics – Designing Textiles for the Medical Device Industry

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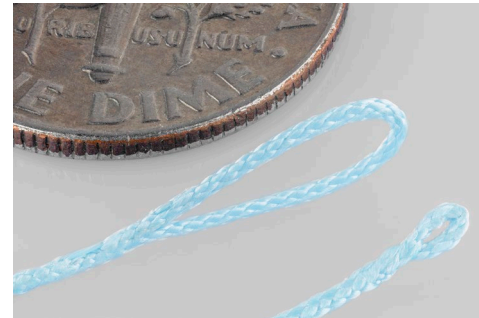
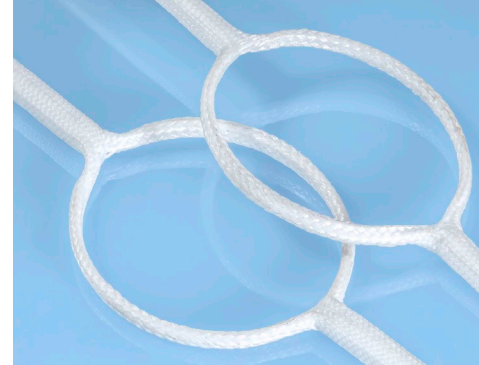
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# Today's Talk:

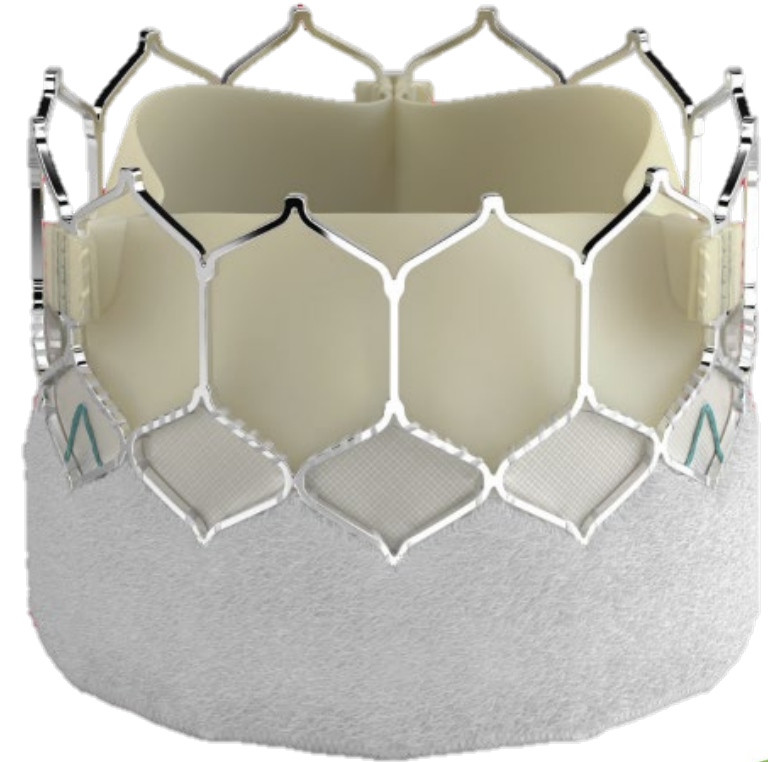
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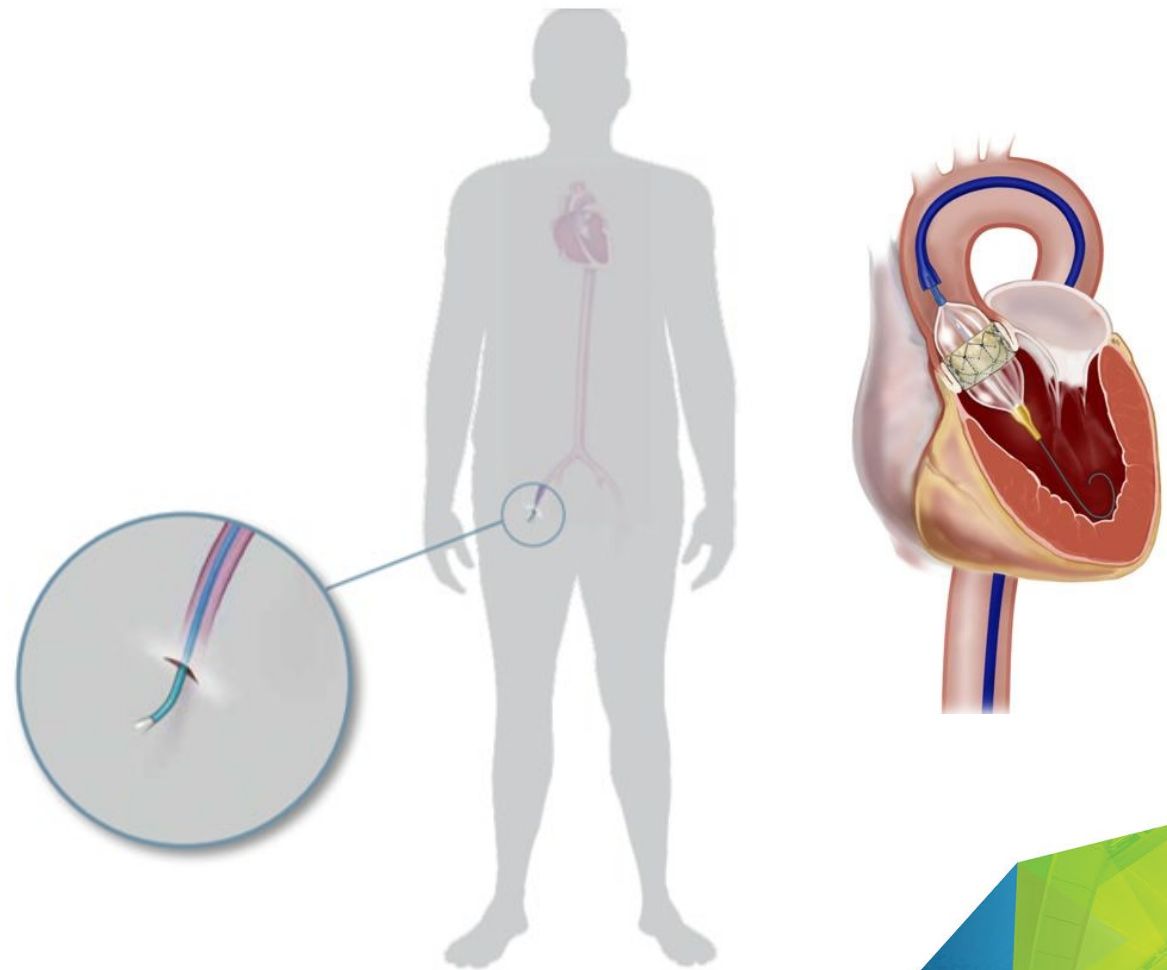
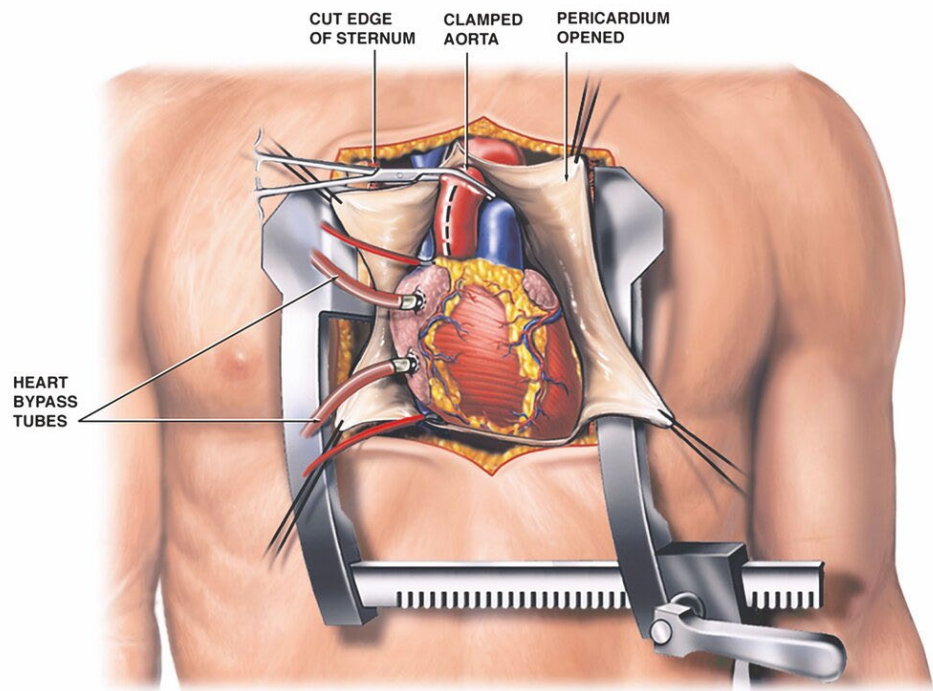


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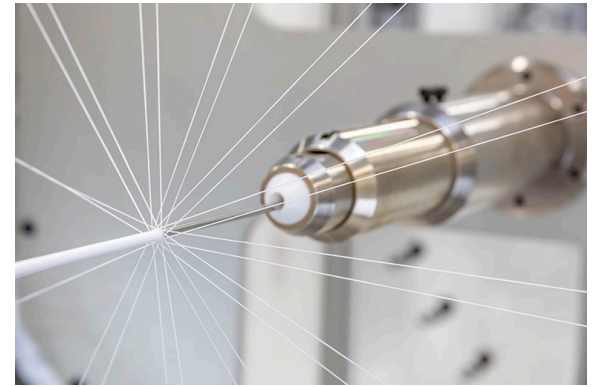




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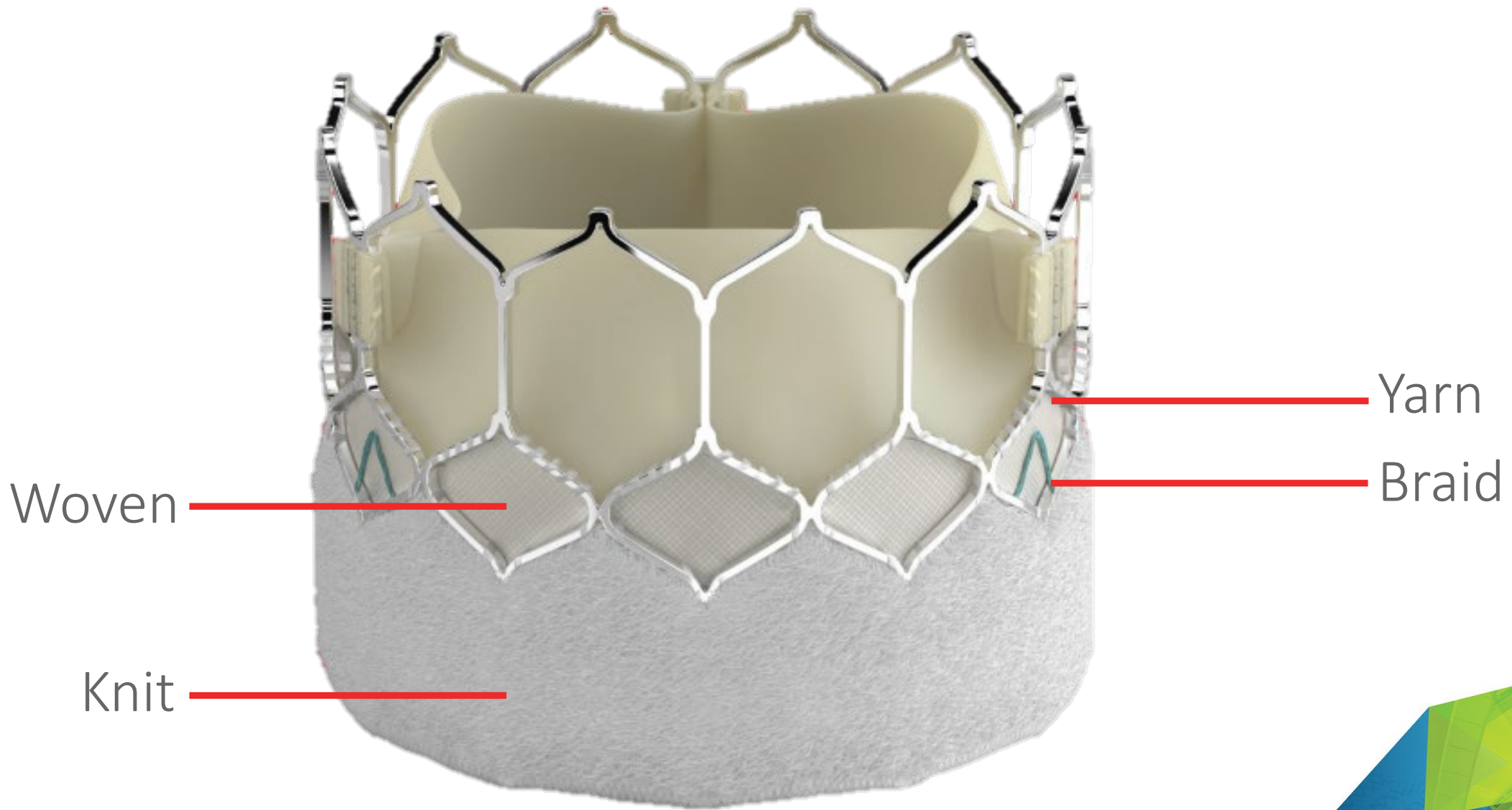
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- Complex Designs
- Equipment Advancements
- Material Size
- Delivery Systems



# Details..

- Polymer Knowledge
  - Medical Grade Yarns
- Complex Designs
  - Multi-Layer Structures, Bi-, Tri-, up to Oct-furcated Braids
- Equipment Advancements
  - Digitization of Machine Recipes, Variable Density Capabilities, Visualization Software
- Material Size
  - “Small” = ~10 denier, “Large” = 500 denier
- Delivery Systems
  - Collapsible Devices for Catheters & Cannulas







# Why Textiles?

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- Customizable
- Biocompatible
- Manufactured at Scale
- Wide Selection of Raw Materials
- Lower \$



Braids for Catheter Articulation



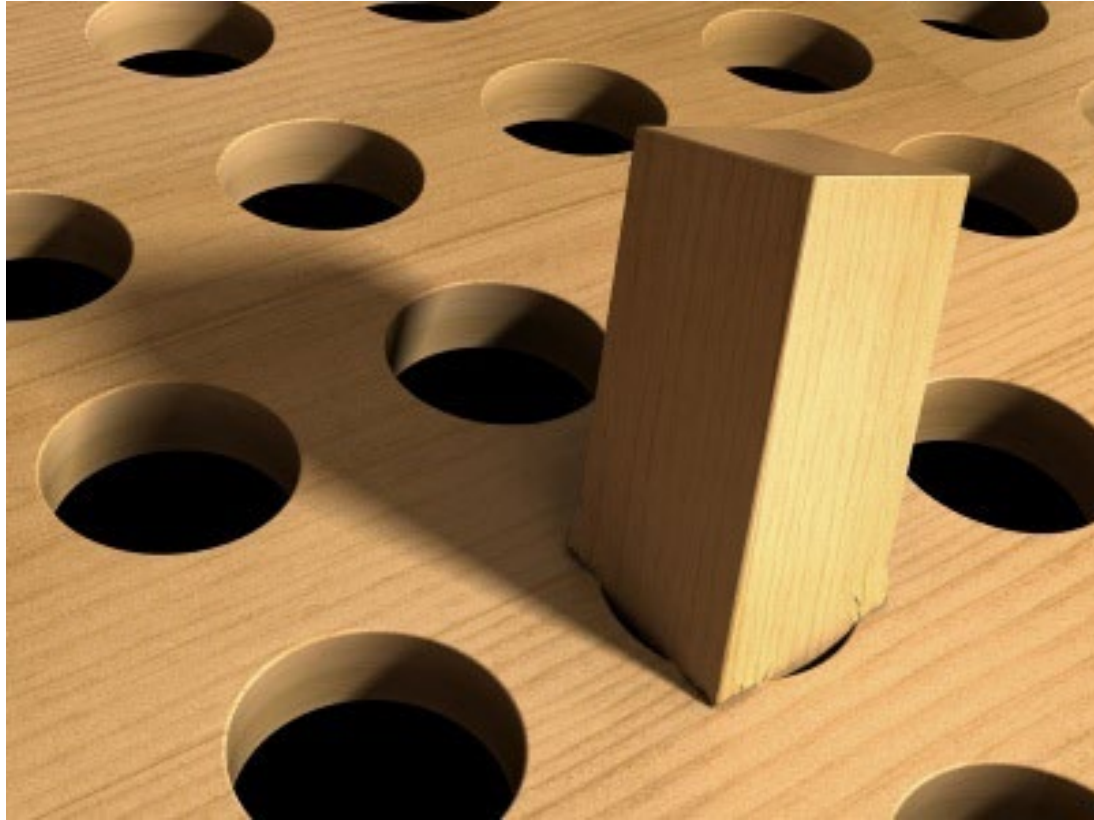
Braided Cord for Scoliosis Treatment

# Raw Material Selection

# Medical Grade Raw Materials

- Synthetic
  - Monofilament / Multifilament
  - PET, UHMWPE, LCP, PP, PTFE, PEEK
- Metallic
  - Various Diameters & Treatments
  - Nitinol, Stainless Steel, Platinum, Titanium, Cobalt-Chrome
- Resorbable
  - Various Mass & Strength Degradation Times
  - PGA, PLLA, PGLA
- **New Frontiers!!** Biologics (Collagen), Radiopaque Fibers





# Common Examples: Application + Polymer

Application	Polymer Selection	Why?
Heart Valve	PET	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Positive Cell/Tissue Response</li><li>• Compliant with Adjacent Anatomy</li><li>• Hydrophilic (*Relative..)</li></ul>
Robotic Pull Wire	LCP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bioinert</li><li>• Temperature + Chemical Resistance</li><li>• Strength</li></ul>
Orthopedic Repair Tape	UHMWPE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bioinert</li><li>• Strength</li><li>• Low Coefficient of Friction</li></ul>

**Raw Material Selection is Critical!!!**





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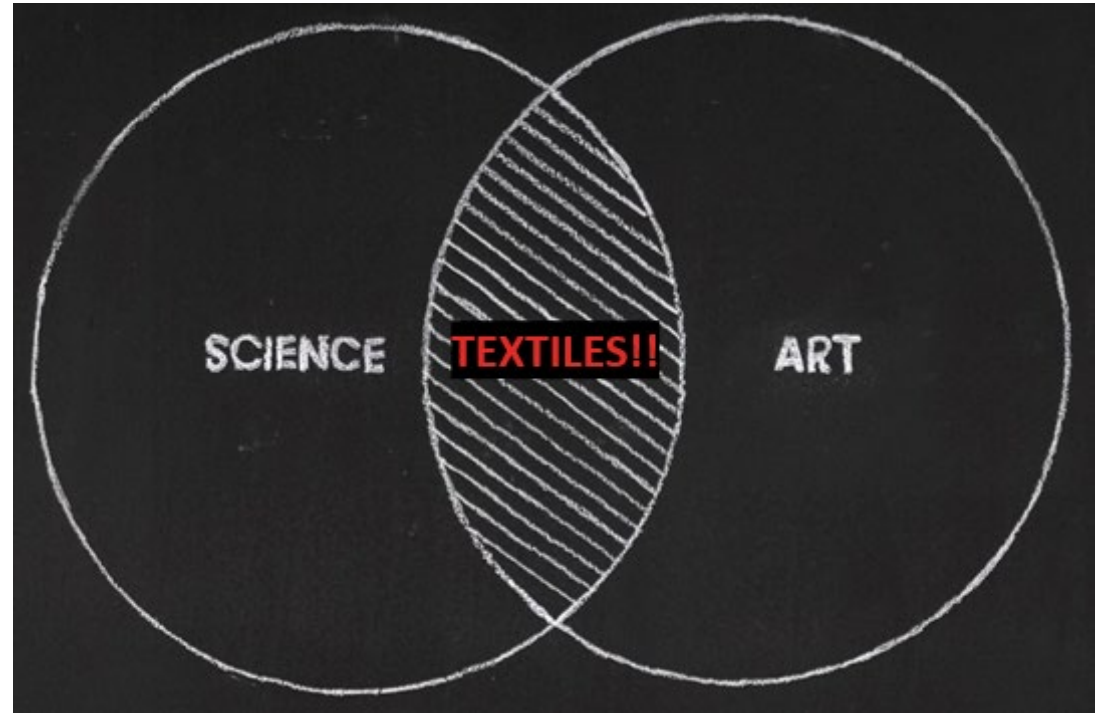
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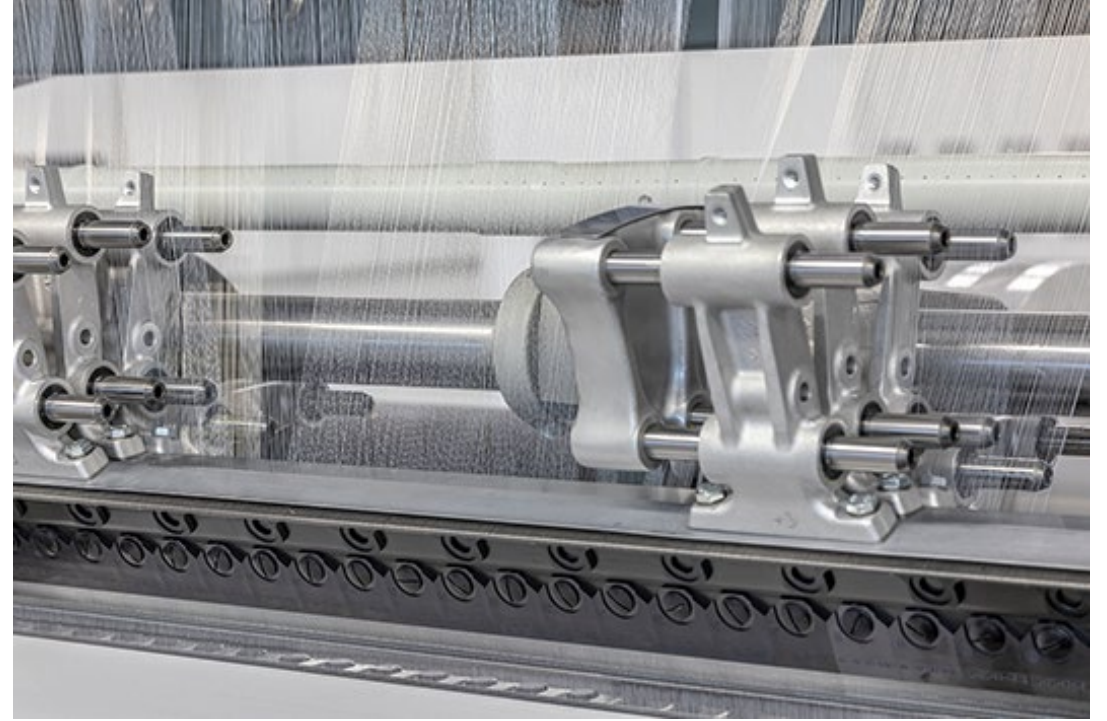


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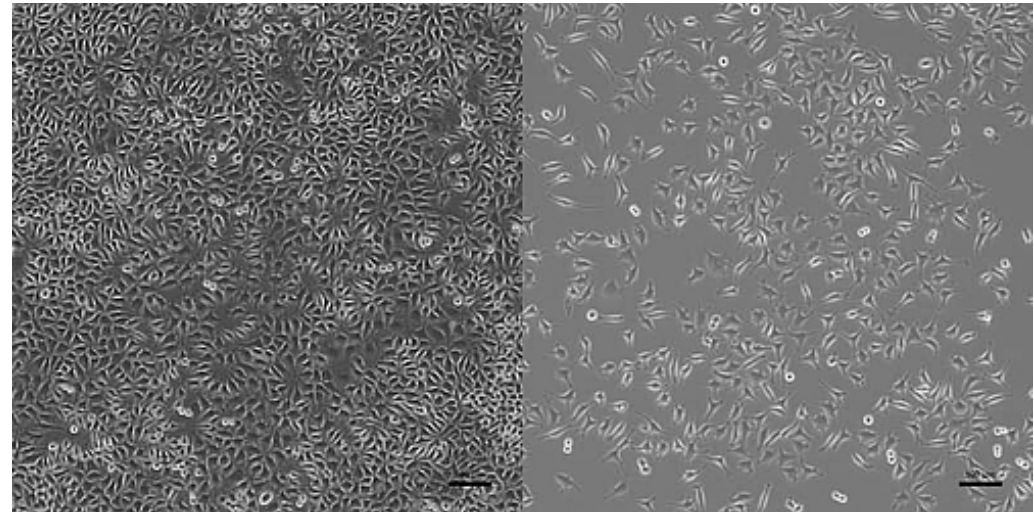


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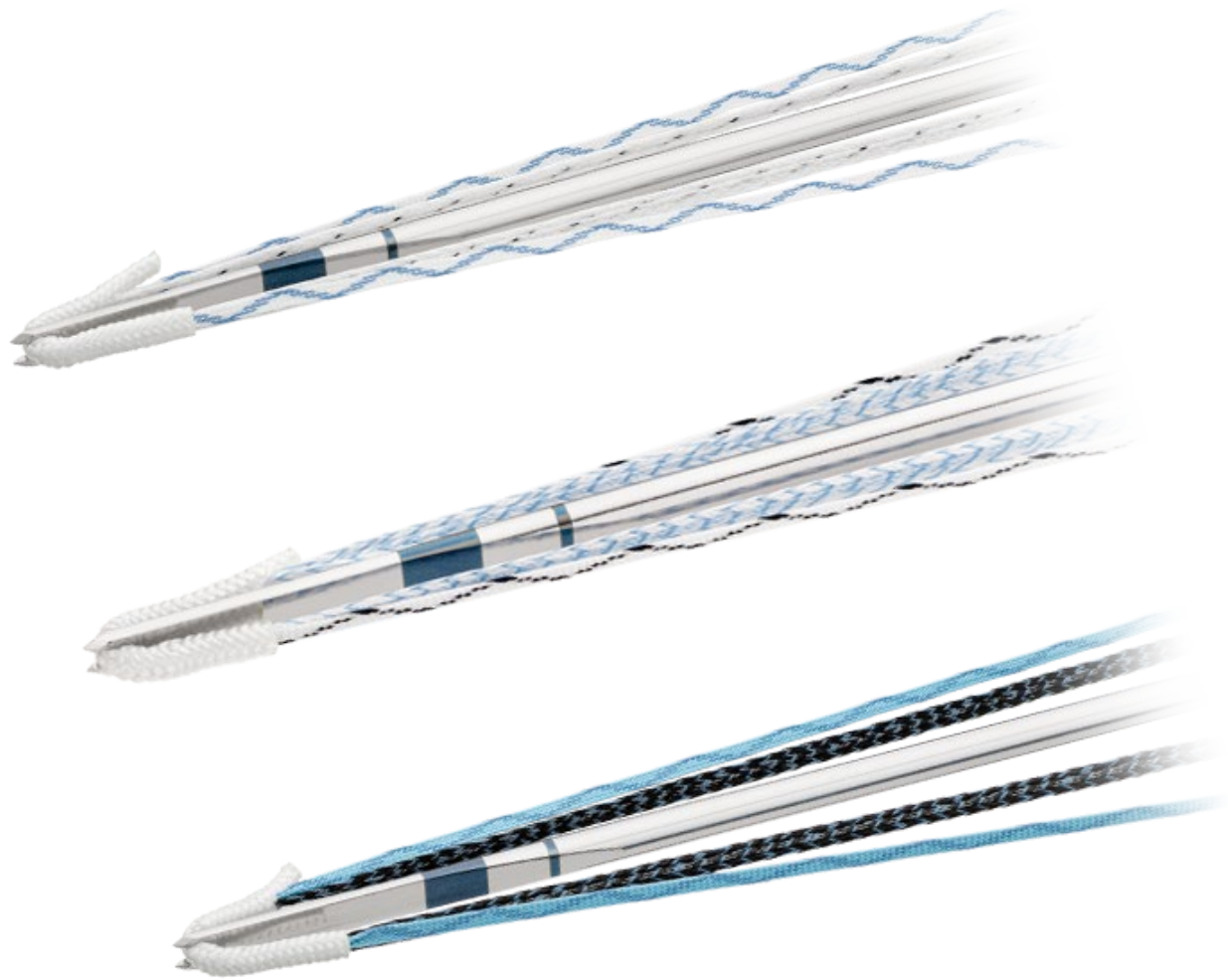




# Differences







# Similarities





Cardiovascular



Robotic Surgery



Sports Medicine



Orthopedics



Neurovascular



General Surgery

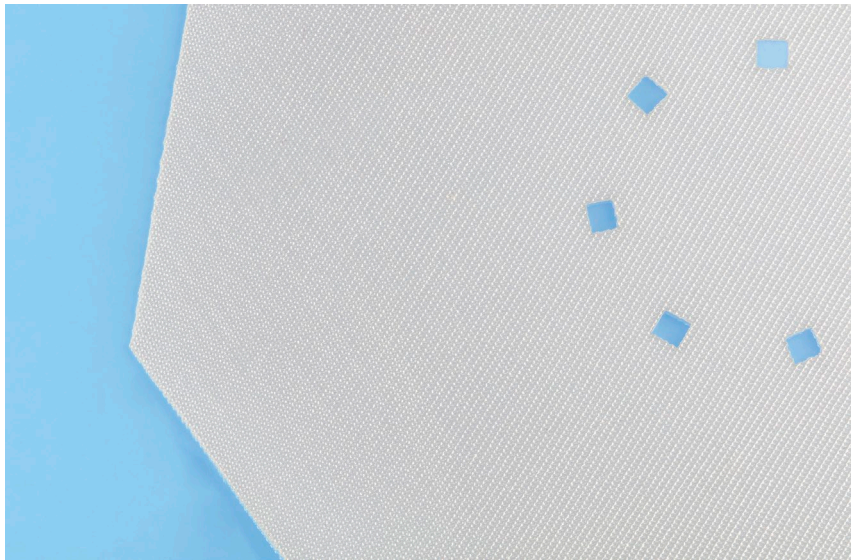


Endoscopy



Performance Sutures  
and Wound Closure

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