

GORE® PRECLUDE® PERICARDIAL MEMBRANE CAN FACILITATE REOPERATIONS IN LEFT VENTRICULAR ASSIST DEVICE (LVAD) PROCEDURES¹⁻⁴



Clinical studies/reports utilizing GORE® PRECLUDE® Pericardial Membrane in LVAD and total artificial heart (TAH) surgeries found

100% of patients were free of severe adhesion at reoperation.¹⁻⁵

Reoperation patients implanted with an LVAD or TAH and GORE® PRECLUDE® Pericardial Membrane ¹⁻⁵	N = 65
Patients with severe adhesions	0 (0.0%)

The quote was modified to include the current trademark of the GORE® PRECLUDE® Pericardial Membrane

“At reoperation, the polytetrafluoroethylene membrane [GORE® PRECLUDE® Pericardial Membrane] was . . . clearly separate from the sternum and resembled a sheet of plastic covering both the heart and the pump conduit, made of knitted polyester material; no problematic adhesions were observed between the membrane, the chest wall, the extracardiac conduit, and the underlying epicardium. The [GORE® PRECLUDE® Pericardial Membrane] sheet wrapping the outflow cannula is very useful to accomplish a safe dissection of this conduit from the right atrium to quickly perform bypass.”¹

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