

Clinical Need

Cardiac surgeons need an accurate method of testing for intraoperative, post-repair valvular regurgitation in order to prevent operative complications and repeat operations.

Background

Mitral Regurgitation

Mitral valve leakiness results in backflow of blood (regurgitation) which is treated through mitral valve repair with an open chest.

Residual mitral regurgitation is the primary driver for reoperation.





Current Assessment Methods To test the success of the valve repair, surgeons use a standard bulb syringe filled with saline to inflate the chamber distal to the valve, creating pressure and watching for leaks.

Occupies surgeon hand(s)

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