Development of the Electroanatomical Mapping System

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- Initial human studies
- Development of mapping and ablation strategies for complex arrhythmias
- Ablation for atrial fibrillation
- Related technological developments (imaging, ablation technologies)

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Founds Biosense in Haifa, Israel in 1993

First clinical cases – November 1995

Johnson & Johnson buys Biosense, Inc. in 1997

Johnson & Johnson merges Biosense, Inc. and Cordis Webster in 1998

Innovation Requirements

Clinical problem/need
Market
Innovative idea/technology
Innovative environment
Funding/ business plan

Innovations in Israel





BioPharma patents/capita





Innovations in Israel

- Teva Industry
 - Copaxon, Azilect
- Stents
 - InStent, Nir, Many more
- Biosense
 - Revolutionized EP
- Given Imaging
 - Revolutionized GI diagnosis
- Ventor
 - Novel Transapical Valve







Cardiac Mapping

Mapping is a general term that relates to the assignment and display of encodedinformation according to its spatial coordinates.

Cardiac Mapping:

Spatial coordinates of the recording sites
Electrophysiological information
Beat-by-beat single site vs. multi-site recording







The Navistar Catheter





Locatable tip:

- Real-time
- Six degrees of freedom

The Location Pad

and allowed a

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•An External Ultra-Low Magnetic Field Emitter

Catheter Tip Location



Gepstein et al. Circulation 1997

Carto Locatable Catheter





- Magnetic Sensor, Real time
- 6 degrees of freedom; location and orientation







Ben-Haim SA, et al. Nature Medicine 1996 Gepstein L, et al. Circulation 1997





System records location through constant interrogation of the magnetic field generated from the location pad



Records location 2



Records location 3



• Superimposes point location and local activation times

Smooth Reconstruction

The initial phase :

matching an ellipsoid to the acquired points. Bounding all the points with an egg shell shape.

•The second phase: Stretching and bending the shell to fit the points.



Smooth Reconstruction

When each point is added, the shape of the reconstruction is updated.

The shape of the chamber is stretched and bent to intersect through the real points locations. 68 ms

--35 ms





Gepstein, L. et al. Circulation 1998

Location Reference

To compensate for patient X, Y, Z movements and respiration





Point Acquisition Each point has

- Each point has location and electrical information associated with it
- While adding points, each point is connected to neighboring points
- Electrical activation is interpolated between points
- A 3D color-coded map is created





Gepstein et al. Circulation 1997



Shpun, et al. Circulation 1998

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New Method for Nonfluoroscopic Endocardial Mapping in Humans

Accuracy Assessment and First Clinical Results

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Mapping in Humans



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Three-Dimensional Mapping Systems

Understanding the mechanism of the arrhythmia and the underlying substrate
Defining the anatomy
Designing an ablation strategy
Delivering the therapy (ablation)
Assessment of the lesion

Mapping Methods: Electrophysiological information

Activation mapping
Propagation maps - videos
Voltage mapping
Pace mapping
Entrainment
Fibrillation indices: FFT, Fragmentation index

Activation Mapping





Activation Mapping

Macro reentrant arrhythmias Mapping of the full cycle-length of the arrhythmias Head-meets-tail Focal Arrhythmias Total activation time < CL</p> Early (red) surrounded by later sites

Focal Arrhythmias



VT in Infant



VT in Infant





Macro Reentrant Arrhythmias



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Scar-related Atrial Tachycardias











Scar – Inferior Myocardial Infarction



ARVD- Voltage Mapping



Boulos, Gepstein. J Am Coll Cardiol 2001

Hemochromatosis



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Isthmus ablation for atrial flutter



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Real Time Imaging







CT/MR Imaging

 Three-dimensional volume/surface reconstruction of cardiac chambers and big vessels from 2D raw data CT/MR scan







CartoSound"

Module on the CARTO® XP System Software 2007





FAM vs. EA map done in Gated mode







GUI: Force Value and Direction continued.

Below Threshold **Within Threshold Above Threshold** Above the threshold Note the vector Within the threshold that is colored **Below the threshold** according to the force values defined by the thresholds

The Future

Better understanding of patient-specific arrhythmia mechanism (atrial fibrillation) Non-destructive treatments Gene therapy Cell therapy "Conducting cables" Molecular ablation"

Correlation with Pathology



Gepstein et al., Circulation (1998)

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