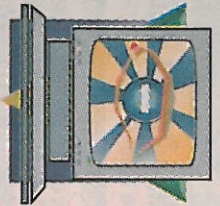




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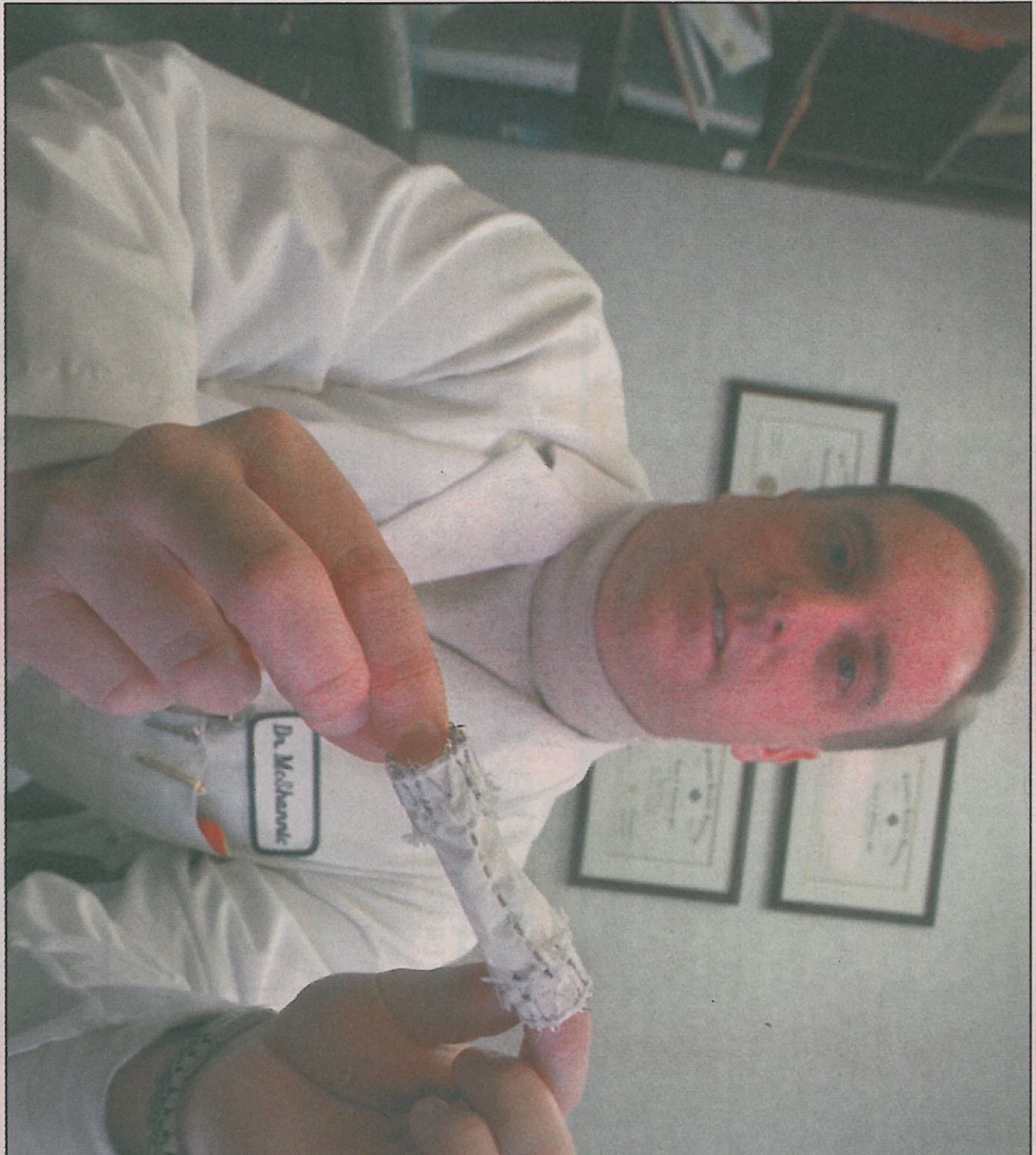
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■ **SECOND CHANCE.** A new method of performing a stent
graft to correct an abdominal aortic aneurysm gives hope
to those who previously were not candidates for surgery,
said Akron vascular surgeon Joseph R. McShannic. An aor-

tic aneurysm occurs in the abdominal area and often is
fatal. McShannic holds the Dacron graft and metal stent
used to reroute blood around the weakened area of the
artery.

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New procedure could save patients at risk

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McShannic calls asymptomatic abdominal aortic
aneurysms "somewhat of a
silent killer because when
they do rupture, 50 percent
of the cases result in mortal-
ity before the patient reaches the hos-
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What is an abdominal aortic
aneurysm? It is a bubble-like weaken-
ing of the aorta, the main blood vessel
traveling through the body's abdomi-
nal area. A ruptured aneurysm is the

procedures often identify them.

Treating abdominal aortic
aneurysms in the past has required
major surgery akin to coronary
bypass surgery. A 15-inch incision is
made in the abdomen to reach the
aorta. Then a Dacron tube graft
affixed by metal stents is positioned
in the weakened artery. This proce-
dure lands a patient in an intensive-
care unit for a period of time and
requires a hospital stay ranging from
five to seven days. Recovery could

Utilizing a spinal anesthetic, McShan-
nic will use the ANCUR® System
developed by Guidant Corp. and
approved by the U.S. Food and Drug
Administration last September.

Compared to the gaping incision
required in the traditional surgery,
the new procedure only requires two
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