OPEN-HEART SURGEY (1953)



The first open-heart surgery by Dr. John Gibbon marked a new era in cardiac care

Average global cost (PPP-adjusted)

United states

\$ 150,000

India

\$2000 - 10,000

PPP: Purchasing Power Parity – reflects cost differences across countries

BIOENGINEERED HEART (FUTURE PROJECTION)



Gene therapy, tissue engineering, and bio-printing - the frontier of cardiac regeneration

Estimated future cost (PPP-adjusted)

United states

5-20 M \$

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HEART TRANSPLANTATION (1967)



First human-to-human heart transplant by Dr. Christiaan Barnard

Average global cost (PPP-adjusted)

United states

\$ 1,500,000

India

\$70,000

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WHY SIMPLE, AFFORDABLE SOLUTIONS ARE BEING LEFT BEHIND



Despite their potential, lowcost scalable innovations are overshadowed by expensive high-tech treatments.









