Meet Iwan van der Schoor – husband, father, expert skydiver and photographer. Following a hard water landing during a Fourth of July jump, Iwan was taken to a local hospital with five broken ribs and a life-threatening rupture in his aorta. Once stabilized, doctors rushed him by air ambulance to the level I trauma center at UC Davis – where the trauma team assembled to assist as vascular surgeons performed a minimally invasive aortic repair. Weeks later, with his doctor’s permission – and that of his wife – Iwan is raring to get back in the air.

See Iwan’s story at healthierworld.ucdavis.edu

Timing, teamwork, and technology saved my life.