My challenging CTO-PCI

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Retrograde approach

- Retrograde direct wire crossing: in short lesion length (a)
- Kissing wire technique : bidirectional wiring (b)
- Knuckle wire : long, calcific, tortuous, unknown course
- CART technique: rarely used currently (d)
- Reverse CART: for bidirectional wire connection (c) Conventional Contemporary Modified





77/F, Long RCA CTO









Retrograde wire with sion wire

Tip angiography











Tip angiography



Failed intraluminal wiring (Fielder XT, UB, Gaia 2, Conquest)

Knuckle wire with fielder XT







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Knuckle wiring with reverse CART



Final angiography







52/M, Failed LAD CTO

J CTO score 3







Medical Center



Consider stopping if >3 hours, 3.7 x eGFR ml contrast, Air Kerma > 5 Gy unless procedure well advanced

IVUS use for proximal cap and antegrade wiring (fielder XT)



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Retrograde tip angiography for channel selection



















Corsair did not advance. So antegrade balloon (2.5 mm) was done for reverse CART







Failed retrograde knuckle wire (sion)

Tip angiography









Septal wiring with sion black wire









Septal wiring with sion black wire









Direct wiring with conquest pro into another LAD guiding







Corsair advance with balloon anchoring









IVUS exam

Antegrade wiring with sion









Ballooning

Post-balloon















Final angiography









Final angiography



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Procedural summary

- Procedural time 3hr 40 min
- Fluoro time: 160 min
- Contrast media: 460 cc





ASAN CTO registry: role of retrograde approach The change of the technical success rate







Trends of J-CTO score and technical success rate







Results

Procedural and In-hospital outcomes

Overall	Retrograde approach	Antegrade-only	P value	
(1151 cases)	(243 cases)	(908 cases)		
Technical success	204 (84.0%)	799 (88.0%)	0.09	
Procedural success	197(81.2%)	784 (86.3%)	0.04	
In-hospital MACCE	11 (4.5%)	37 (4.1%)	0.75	
Death	0 (0.0%)	1 (0.1%)	1.00	
Periprocedural MI*	9 (3.7%)	25 (2.8)	0.44	
Urgent repeat revascularization	1 (0.4%)	10 (1.1%)	0.48	
Cardiac tamponade requiring intervention	1 (0.4%)	1 (0.1%)	>0.99	
Stroke	1 (0.4%)	1 (0.1%)	0.38	

*Postprocedural CK-MB elevation of ≥ 10 times the upper limit of normal. Abbreviation; MACCE, major adverse cardiac and cerebrovascular event; MI, myocardial infarction.





Study Flow Iong-term outcomes





Results Baseline characteristics

Overall (n=904)	Retrograde approach (N=202)	Antegrade-only (N=702)	P value
Age (year)	58.4 ± 9.9	60.7 ± 10.7	0.01
Men	188 (93.1%)	585 (82.0%)	< 0.001
Body mass index, (kg/m²)	25.5 ± 3.1	25.4 ± 3.1	0.46
Hypertension	119 (58.9%)	450 (63.1%)	0.32
Diabetes	58 (28.7%)	220 (30.9%)	0.62
Diabetes on insulin	11 (5.4%)	43 (6.0%)	0.89
Hyperlipidemia (%)	158 (78.2%)	497 (69.7%)	0.02
Current Smoker (%)	72 (35.6%)	174 (24.4%)	0.002
Congestive heart failure	27 (13.4%)	66 (9.3%)	0.12
History of myocardial infarction	31 (15.3%)	68 (9.5%)	0.03
Previous PCI	76 (37.6%)	168 (23.6%)	<0.001
Previous CABG	5 (2.5%)	24 (3.4%)	0.68
History of stroke	8 (4.0%)	56 (7.9%)	0.08
Peripheral artery disease	10 (5.0%)	22 (3.1%)	0.29
Renal dysfunction	1 (0.5%)	24 (3.4%)	0.05



Results

Angiographic characteristics

Overall (N=904)	Retrograde approach	Antegrade-only	P value	
	(N=202)	(N=702)		
Collateral grade, Rentrop scale			<0.001	
0-1	15 (7.4%)	156 (21.5%)		
2	71 (35.1%)	244 (33.7%)		
3	116 (57.4%)	325 (44.8%)		
J-CTO score	2.5 ± 1.0	1.8 ± 1.0	<0.001	
Entry shape, Blunt	146 (72.6%)	422 (58.3%)	<0.001	
Moderate/severe calcification	104 (51.7%)	338 (46.7%)	0.20	
Bending > 45°	94 (46.8%)	252 (34.8%)	0.002	
Occlusion length ≥ 20 mm	96 (47.8%)	183 (25.3%)	<0.001	
Retry	63 (31.2%)	74 (10.2%)	<0.001	

Abbreviation: CTO, chronic total occlusion.



Results Procedure characteristics

Overall, (N=904)	Retrograde approach	Antegrade-only	P value
	(N=202)	(N=702)	
Total lesion length, mm	53.3 ± 21.2	37.3 ± 17.8	<0.001
Number of stents per lesion*	2.2 ± 0.8	1.7 ± 0.8	<0.001
Stent length per lesion*, mm	67.6 ± 25.4	49.7 ± 23.9	<0.001
Average stent diameter*†, mm	3.1 ± 0.3	3.2 ± 0.3	0.11
Smallest stent diameter*, mm	2.9 ± 0.4	3.0 ± 0.4	<0.001
IVUS use	184 (91.1%)	667 (92.0%)	0.68
Non-target vessel intervention	66 (32.7%)	245 (33.8%)	0.77
Contrast media amount, ml	532.5 ± 244.3	389.9 ± 182.1	<0.001
Total fluoroscopy time, min	74.9 ± 42.6	33.8 ± 42.5	<0.001

*Information associated with 916 target CTO vessels.

+Average stent diameter was calculated using individual stent diameter value weighted by stent length.

Abbreviation: BMS, bare-metal stent; CART, controlled antegrade and retrograde subintimal tracking; CTO, chronic total occlusion; DES, drug-eluting stent; IVUS, intravascular ultrasound.



Results

Kaplan-Meier curves of end points

Target-vessel failure







Results

Cox Proportional Hazards for TVF

	Unadjusted Hazard ratio (95% CI)	P value	Adjusted Hazard ratio (95% Cl)	P value
Age	1.01 (0.99-1.03)	0.48		
Diabetes Mellitus	0.85 (0.52-1.37)	0.50		
Renal dysfunction	3.23 (1.34-7.76)	0.009	3.33 (1.42-7.83)	0.006
Clinical presentation of ACS†	1.98 (1.24-3.14)	0.004	1.99 (1.26-3.14)	0.003
Left ventricular ejection fraction	0.99 (0.97-1.02)	0.81		
CTO located in the left anterior de scending artery	1.02 (0.65-1.58)	0.95		
J-CTO score	1.21 (0.98-1.49)	0.08	1.23 (1.00-1.51)	0.047
Stent number of the target vessel	1.16 (0.89-1.50)	0.27		
Smallest stent diameter of the target vessel	0.44 (0.22-0.86)	0.02	0.39 (0.21-0.74)	0.004

*Renal dysfunction was defined as serum creatinine ≥ 2.0 mg/dL or dialysis. †Hazard ratios are for patients with clinical presentation of ACS, compared with those with stable angina. ACS = acute coronary syndrome; CTO = chronic total occlusion; NA = not applicable





- Retrograde approach was observed to significantly contribute to the increased recanalization rates of more complex CTOs over time.
- The rates of in-hospital MACCE was low and long-term device oriented outcome after successful stenting via this technique was acceptable.
- Smaller final stent results associated with complex anatomy may be responsible for the future likelihood of TVF in this population.





Thank you very much !



