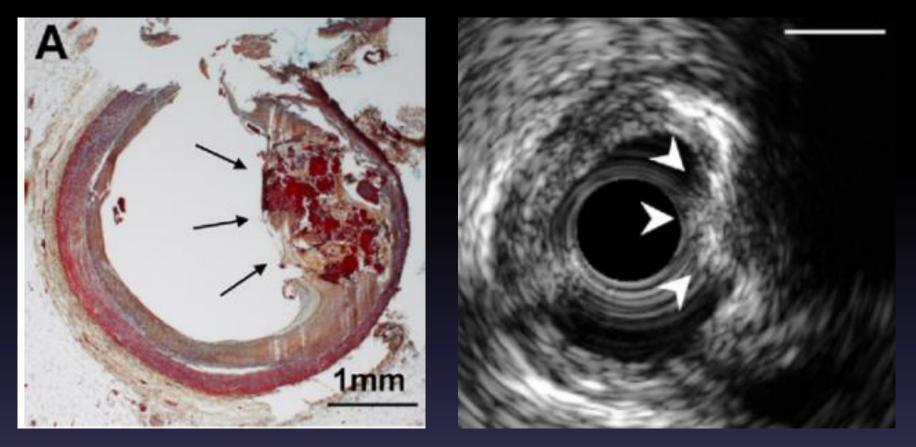
Where did the organized thrombus causing myocardial infarction come from?

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Calcified nodule



- ✓ IVUS-derived calcified nodule is characterized by intracoronary protruding calcification with <u>convex and irregular luminal surface</u>.
- Calcified nodule can lead to local thrombus formation and accounts for 2 to 7% of coronary events.

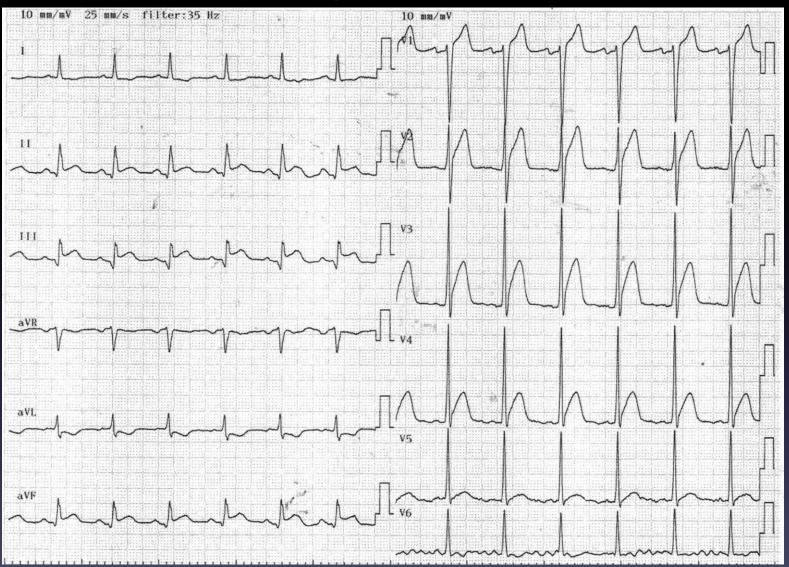
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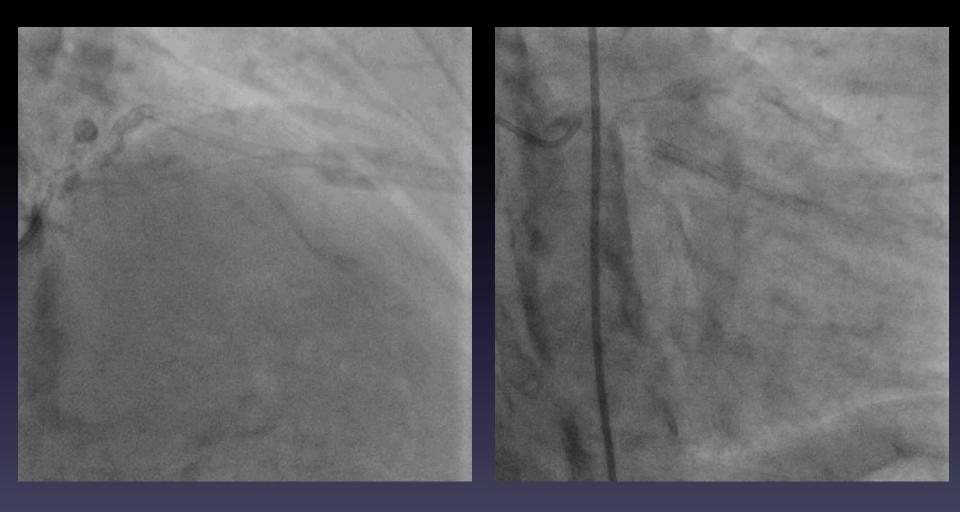
A 58-year old man with a history of inferior myocardial infarction managed by medical treatment was admitted to our hospital because of chest pain. He had been on hemodialysis for end-stage renal disease for 33 years.

On physical examination, the blood pressure 190/90 mmHg, the pulse 85bpm, and the oxygen saturation 95% while the patient was breathing ambient air.

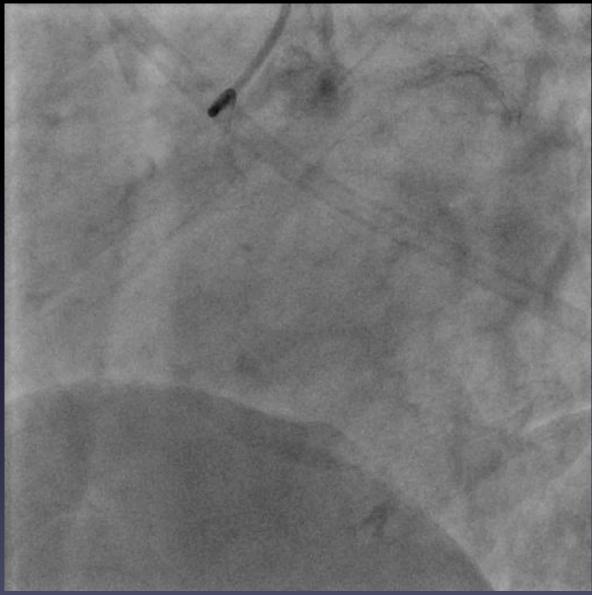
Electrocardiogram on admission



Coronary angiography: pre-intervention



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Manual thromboaspiration

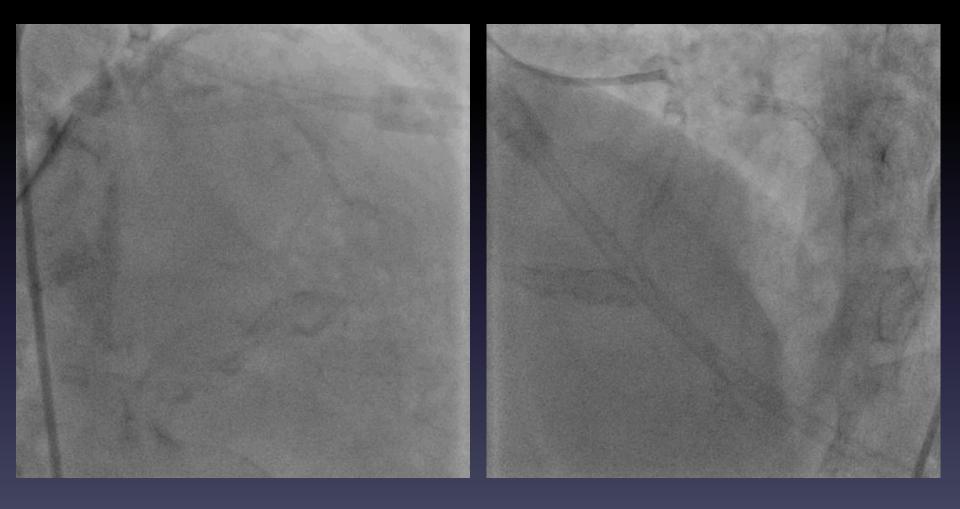


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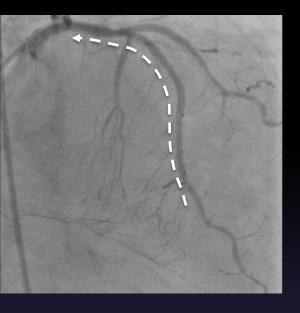
Captured organized thrombus

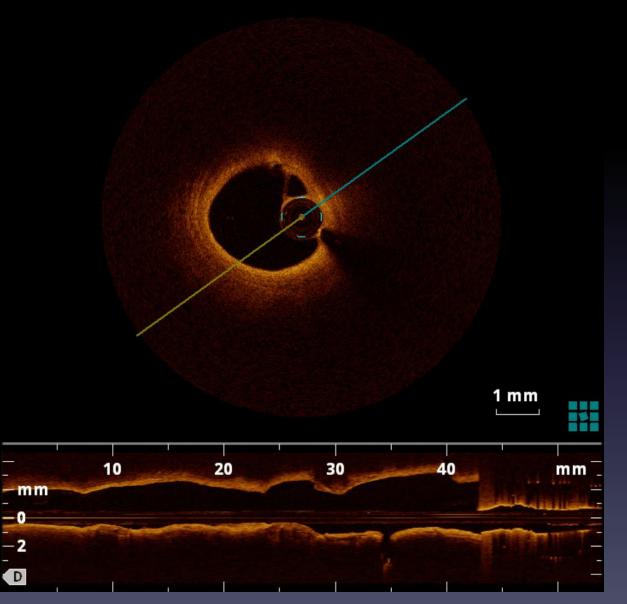


Coronary angiography post-thromboaspiration



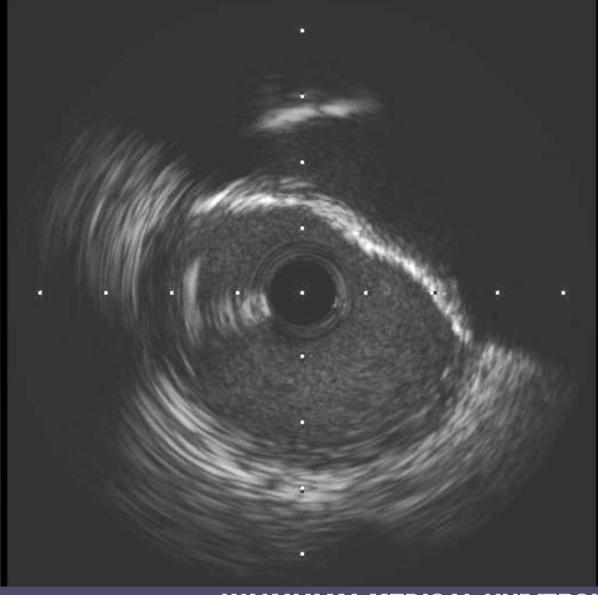
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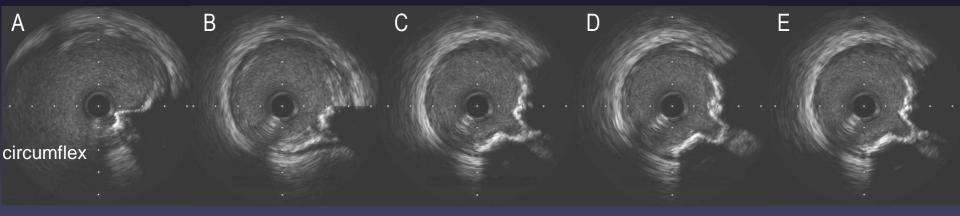
IVUS: post thromboaspiration





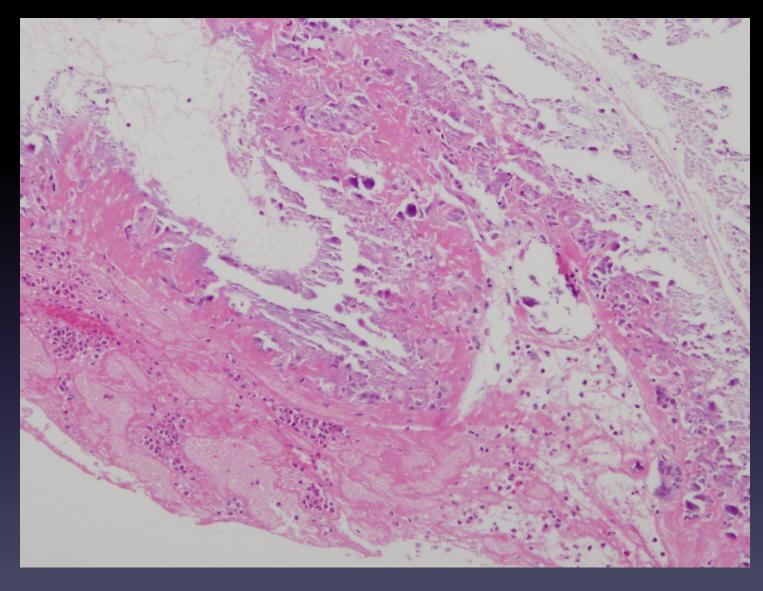
Calcified nodule detected by IVUS



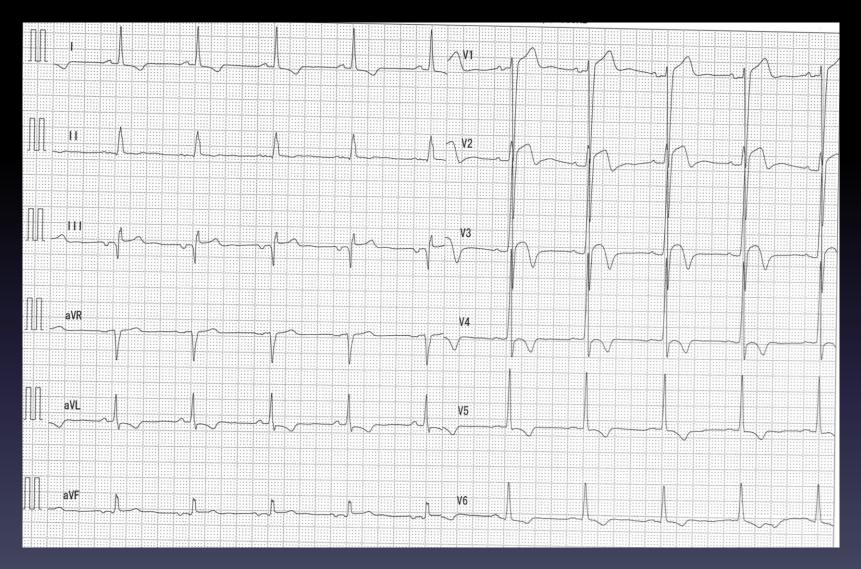


Histopathology of organized thrombus

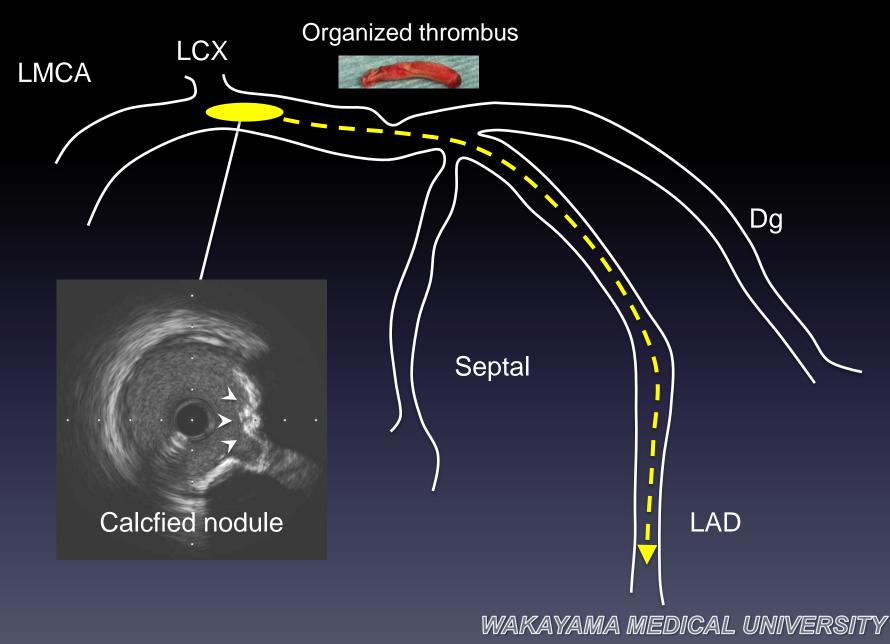




Electrocardiography at discharge



Cause of organized thrombus



Conclusion

We had a STEMI patient, which was caused by embolization of organized thrombus.

Calcified nodule located in the proximal LAD was suspected as the origin of the organized thrombus.