

BVS for Non-LM Bifurcations

# How to Do: OCT- or IVUS-Guided Optimization

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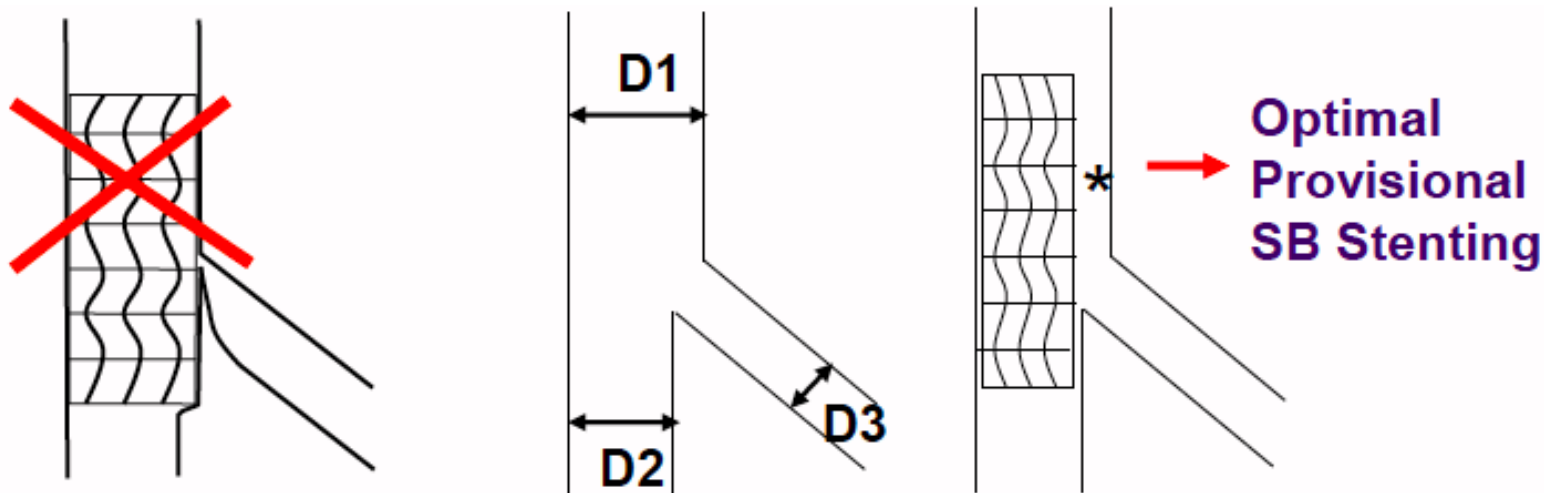


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# Relations between vessel diameters



$$D1 = 0.67 * (D2 + D3)$$

- In case of metallic DES, the MV stent should be sized according to the distal MV RVD, and should allow for expansion to the prox RVD.
- **In case of BVS, this latter could be sized according to the prox RVD and implanted at low pressure.**

# Relations between vessel diameters based on the Huo and Kassab relation

Diameter of smaller daughter vessel	Diameter of larger daughter vessel (in terms of the main stent sizes in use)							
(mm)	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.00	3.25	3.50	3.75	4.00
2.25	3.03	3.20	3.39	3.58	3.78	3.99	4.20	4.42
	$\Delta=0.78$	$\Delta=0.70$	$\Delta=0.64$	$\Delta=0.58$	$\Delta=0.53$	$\Delta=0.49$	$\Delta=0.45$	$\Delta=0.42$
2.50		3.36	3.54	3.72	3.91	4.11	4.32	4.53
		$\Delta=0.86$	$\Delta=0.79$	$\Delta=0.72$	$\Delta=0.66$	$\Delta=0.61$	$\Delta=0.57$	$\Delta=0.53$
2.75			3.70	3.87	4.06	4.25	4.44	4.64
			$\Delta=0.95$	$\Delta=0.87$	$\Delta=0.81$	$\Delta=0.75$	$\Delta=0.69$	$\Delta=0.64$
3.00				4.04	4.21	4.39	4.58	4.77
				$\Delta=1.04$	$\Delta=0.96$	$\Delta=0.89$	$\Delta=0.83$	$\Delta=0.77$
3.25					4.37	4.55	4.73	4.91
					$\Delta=1.12$	$\Delta=1.05$	$\Delta=0.98$	$\Delta=0.91$
3.50						4.71	4.88	5.06
						$\Delta=1.21$	$\Delta=1.13$	$\Delta=1.06$
3.75							5.05	5.22
							$\Delta=1.30$	$\Delta=1.22$
4.00								5.38
								$\Delta=1.38$

The red and blue colours represent the diameter of mother segment and stepwise difference, respectively.



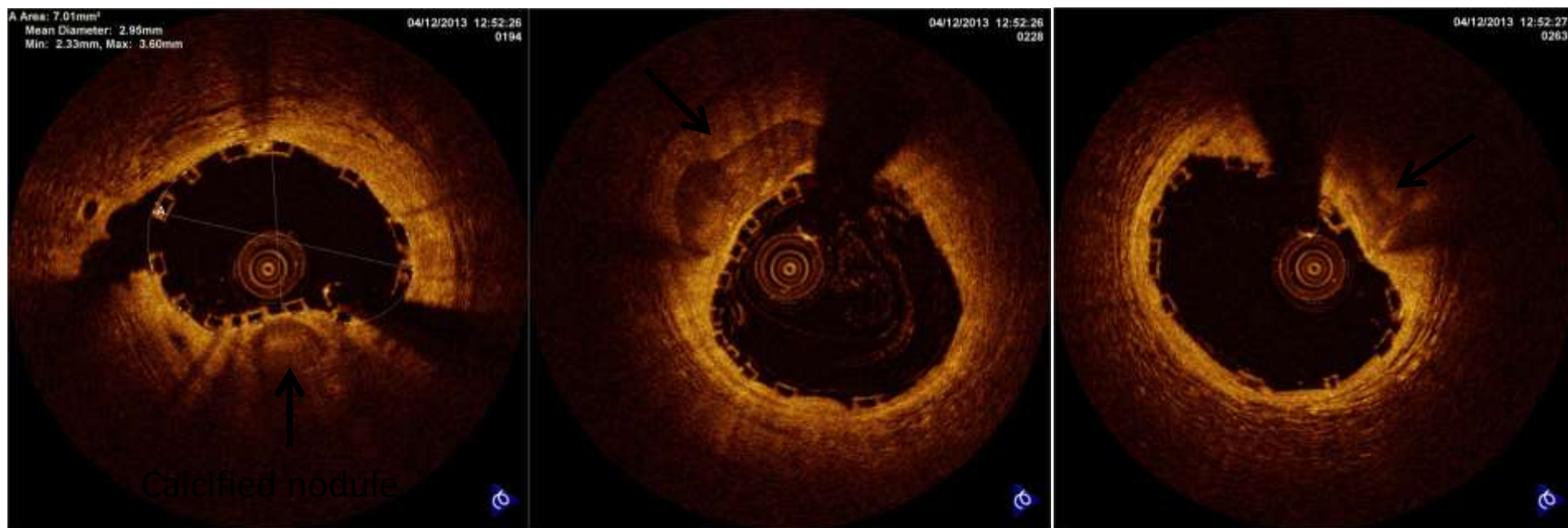
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# Despite high pressure of implantation and post-dilation, calcified plaques pose an obstacle to proper scaffold expansion

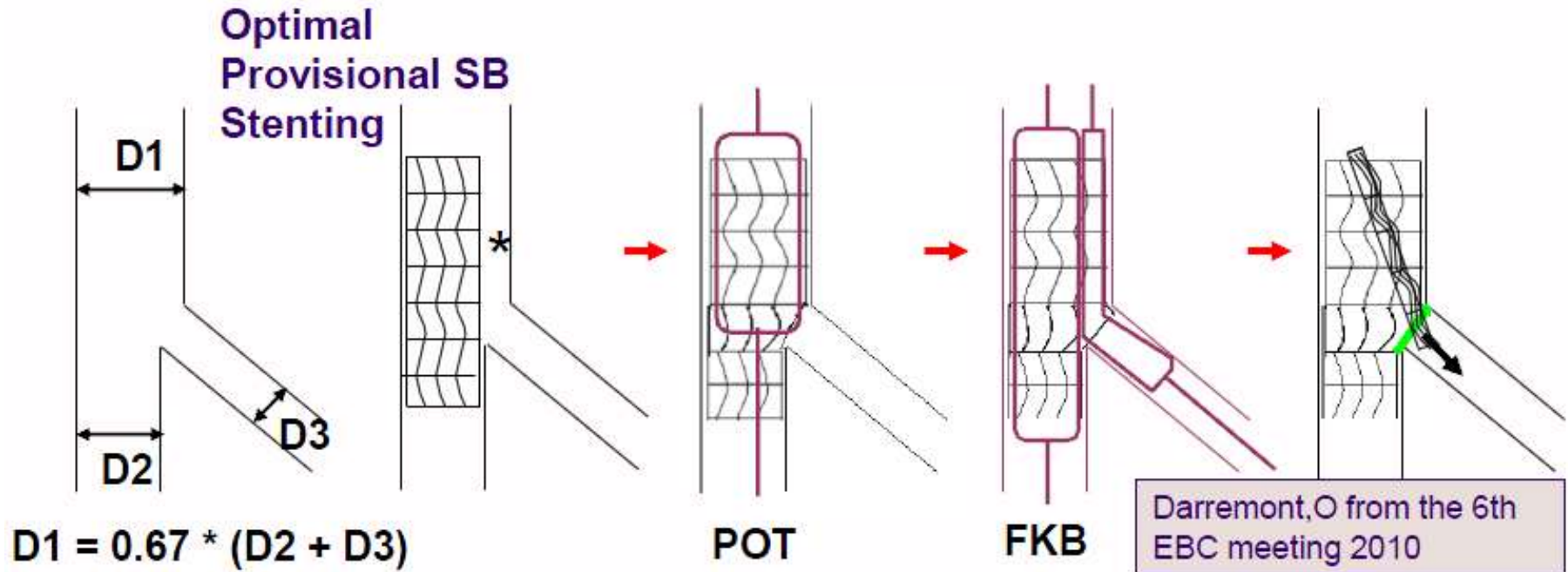


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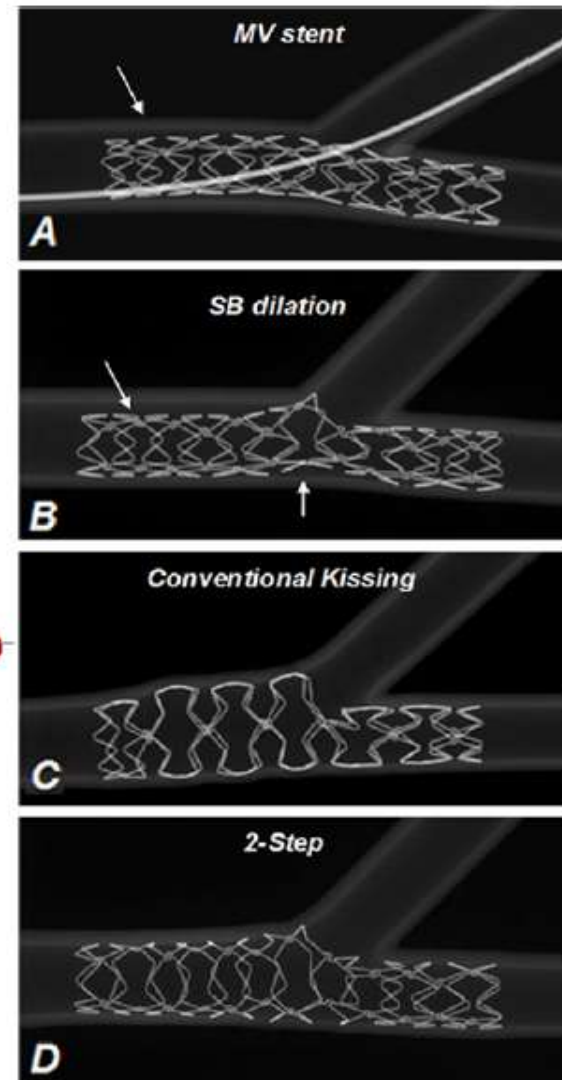
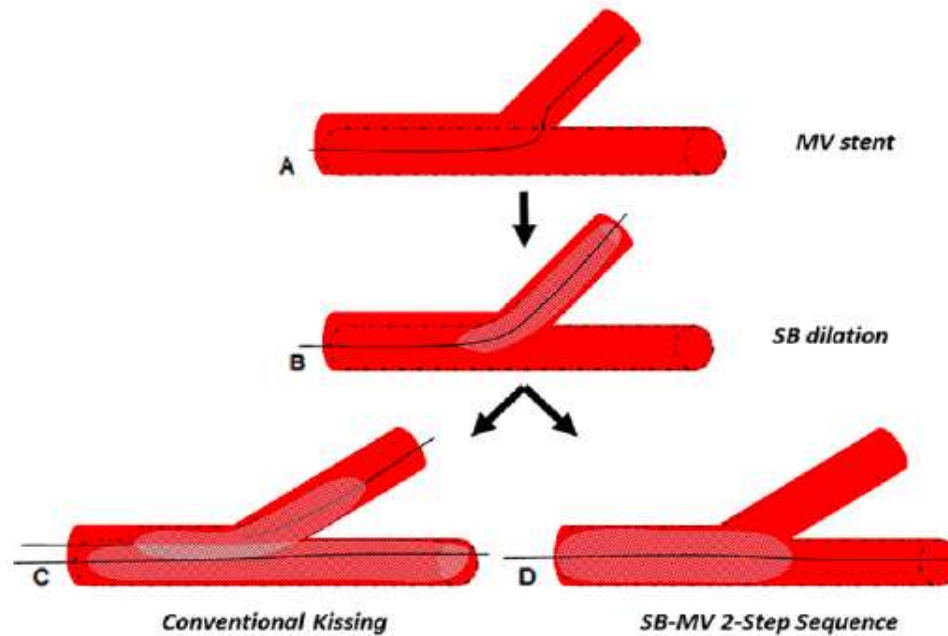


# Proximal optimisation technique (POT)



- Ensures **adequate stent apposition** in the proximal MV.
- Produces curved expansion of the stent at the carina and **facilitates recrossing**, distal recrossing, kissing inflations and **ostial stent coverage of the SB**.

# Alternatives to kissing balloon



This optimised sequence including POT showed favourable results compared to KBD in bench testing and modelling with metallic DES

# BVS post-dilatation sequential strategy proposed by the EBC

- POT restricted to non-compliant (NC) balloon 0.5 mm larger than the reference using the Absorb BRS
- SB opening if compromised after the POT
- Final POT



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# Ferrarotto Population Bifurcations subgroup

**68 patients treated with BVS in bifurcation up to June 2014**  
**6-months Follow-up available in 97.1%;**  
**1-year follow-up available in 86.8%;**



# Ferrarotto Population

## Lesions and procedural characteristics of the bifurcations subgroup

Variable	Lesions (N = 68)
True bifurcation	35 (51.5%)
2-BVS technique	12 (17.6%)
Mini-crush	7
V-stenting	3
T-stenting	1
Culotte	1
2-stent Hybrid	5 (7.4%)
Provisional stenting	51 (75%)

Variable	Lesions (N = 68)
Predilatation MB	61 (89.7%)
Predilatation SB	21 (30.9%)
Post-dilatation MB	45 (66.2%)
Post-dilatation SB	14 (20.6%)
Kissing balloon	22 (32.4%)
OCT use	20 (29.4%)
IVUS use	5 (7.4%)

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## Ferrarotto Population Outcomes the bifurcations subgroup

### Over 1 year:

- 1 (1.5%) acute (1h after PCI) thrombosis in a patient with no periprocedural DAPT (no OCT/IVUS performed).
- 2 (2.9%) TLRs presenting with silent ischemia.
- No events occurred in those treated with 2-BVS technique.



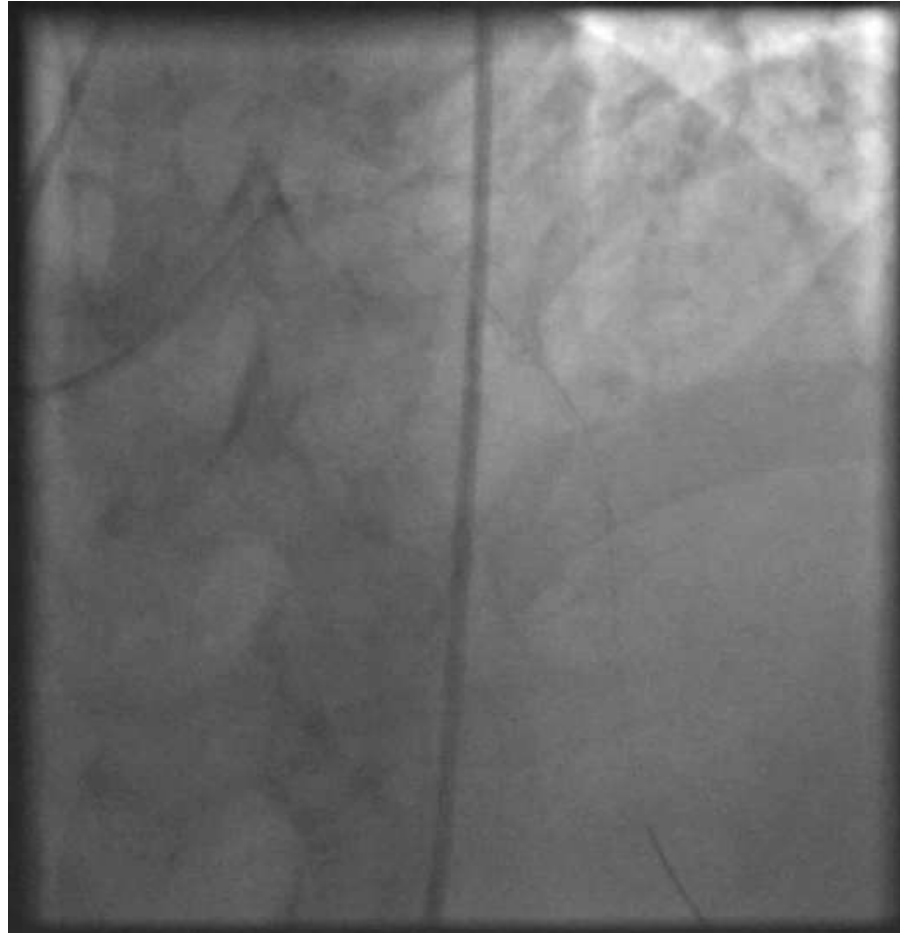


## Case #1

# Treatment of coronary bifurcation with provisional BVS technique



# Provisional stenting with BVS Baseline

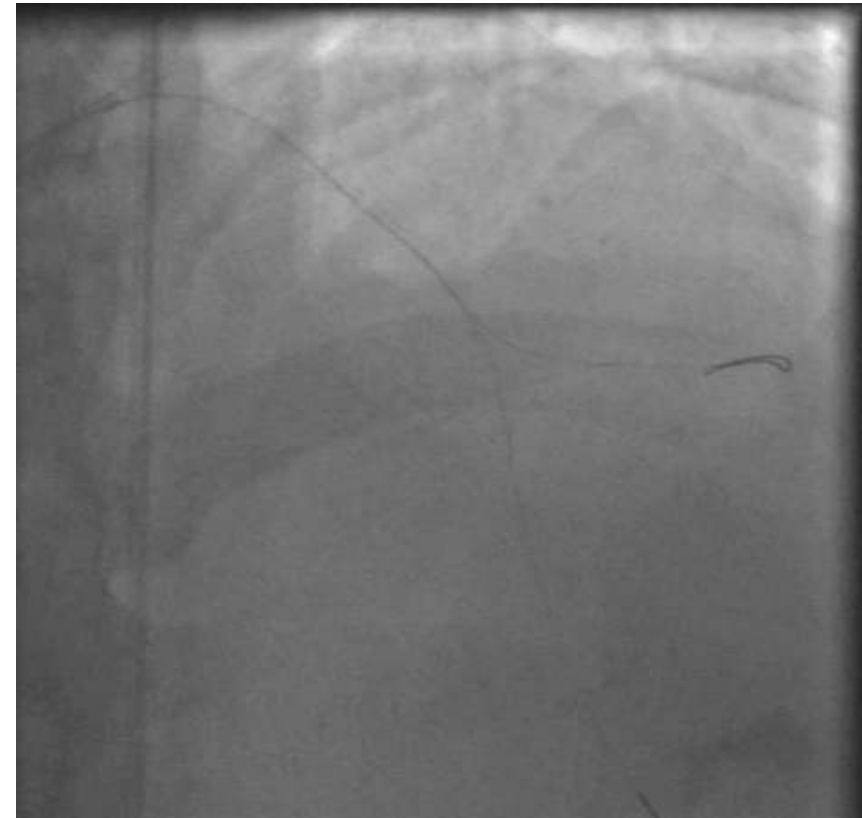


# Provisional stenting with BVS

## Result post-implantation

### Procedure steps:

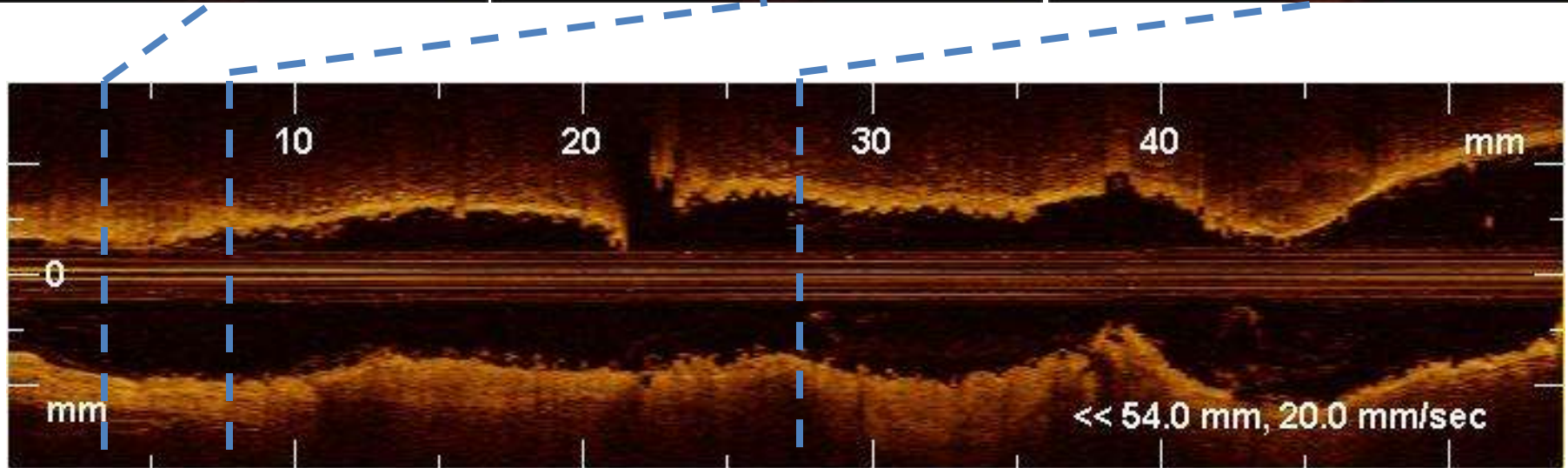
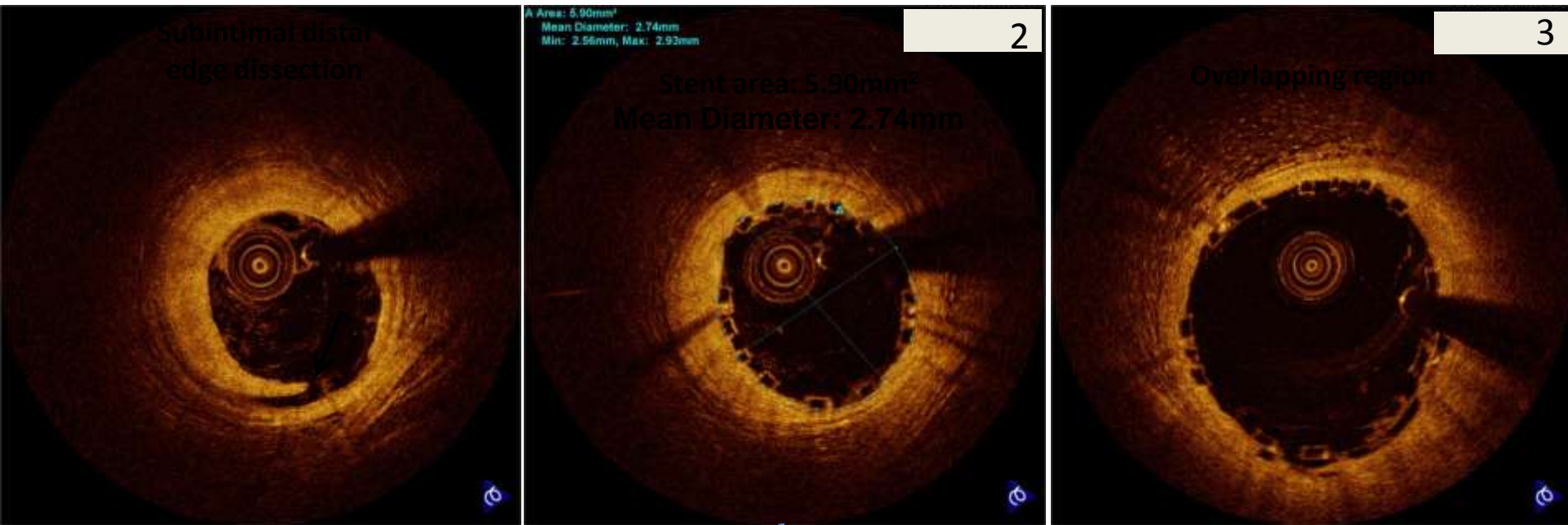
- Predilatation of MV and SB;
- Implantation of a MV 3.0/28 BVS at the bifurcation at 10 atm, and 3.5/18 mm more prox in OVL;
- **SB post-dilatation** with 2.0 balloon
- **POT** with 3.5 balloon
- **OCT to assess SB opening, BVS expansion in the distal MV and apposition in the prox MV**



Routine Kissing balloon not recommended

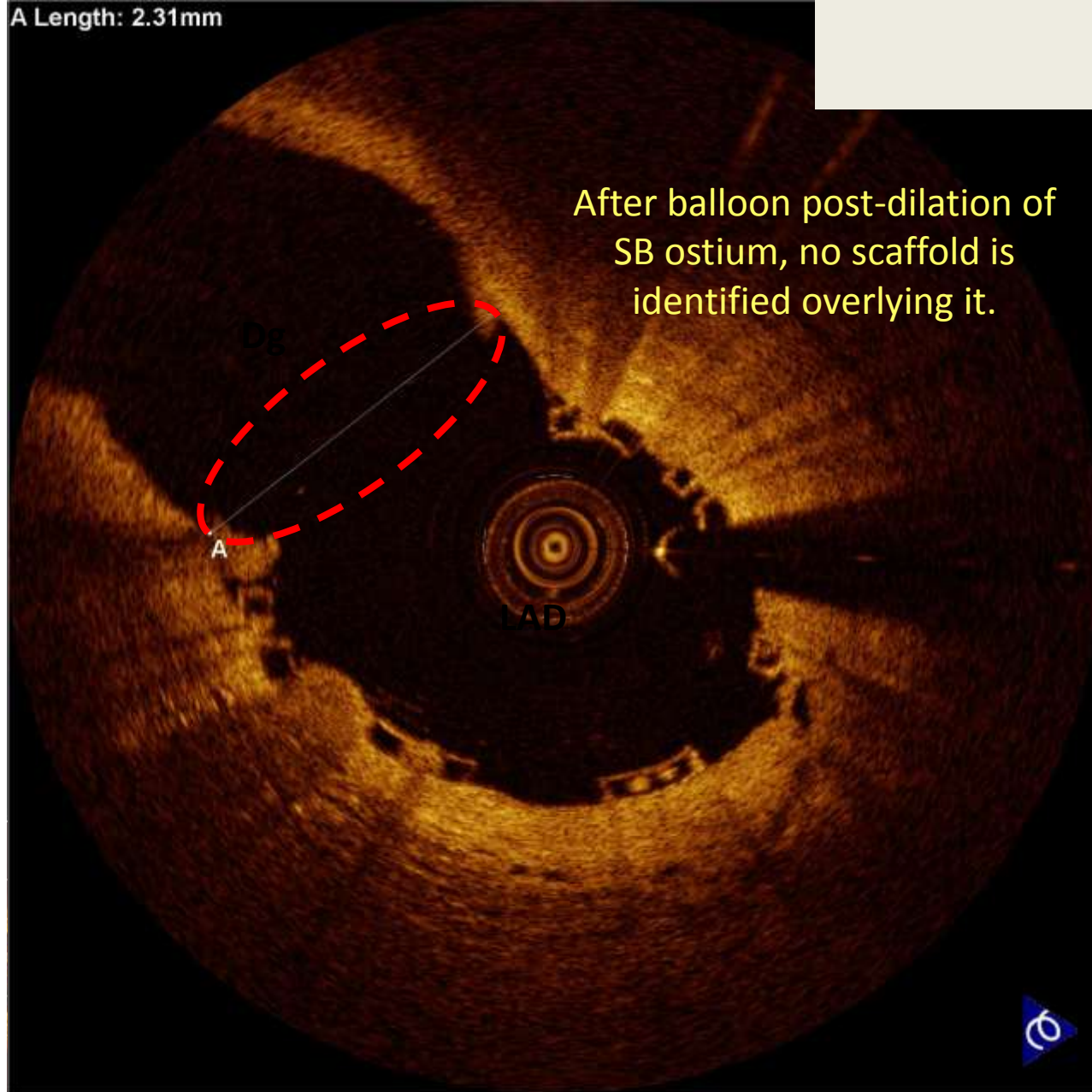


# Provisional stenting with BVS result post-implantation



A Length: 2.31mm

After balloon post-dilation of SB ostium, no scaffold is identified overlying it.

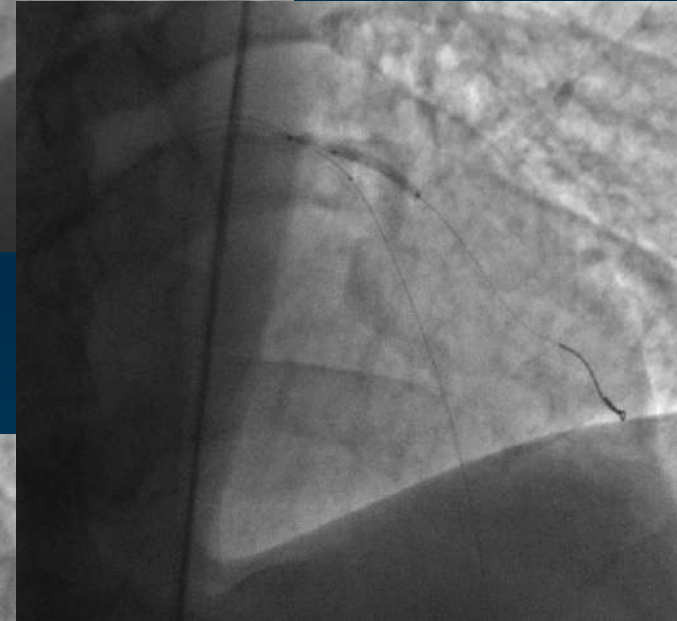
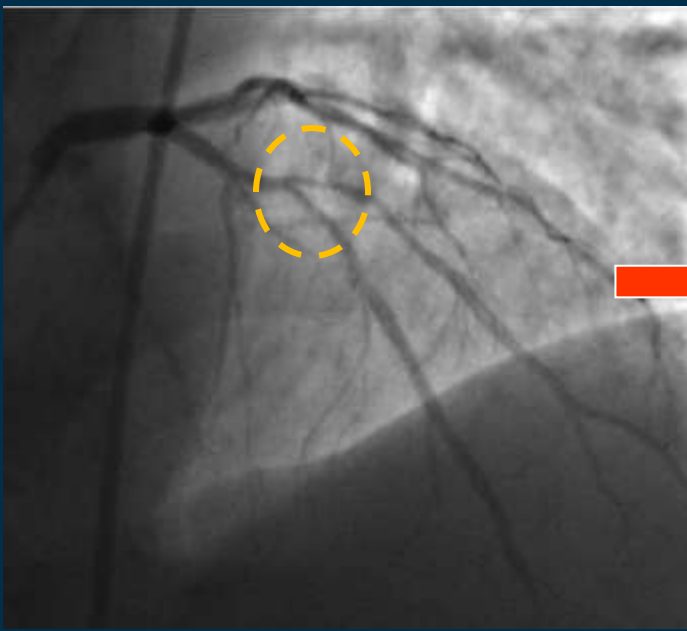




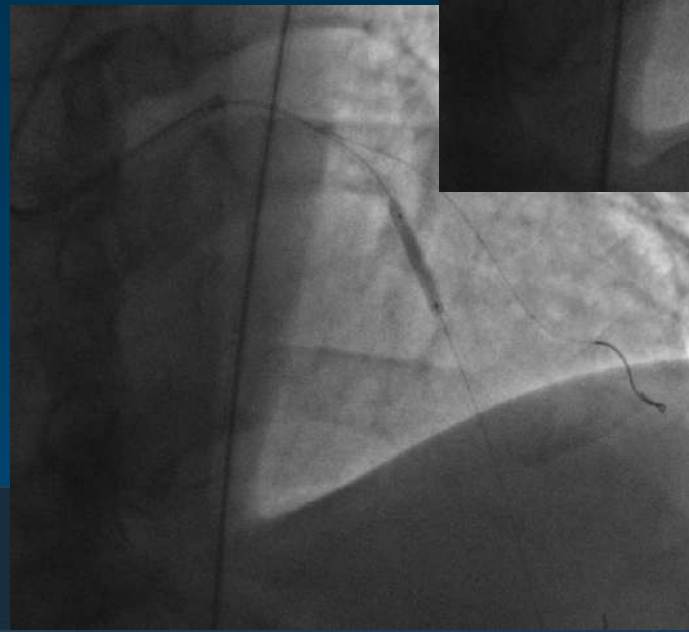
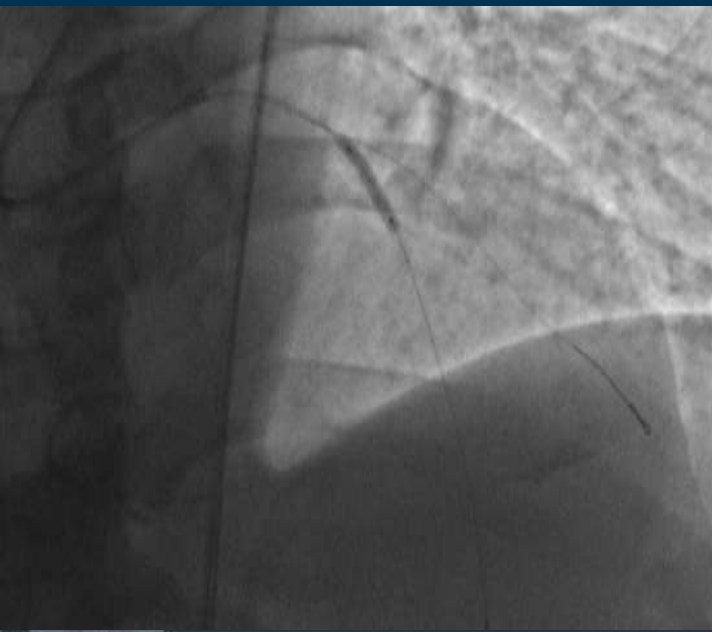
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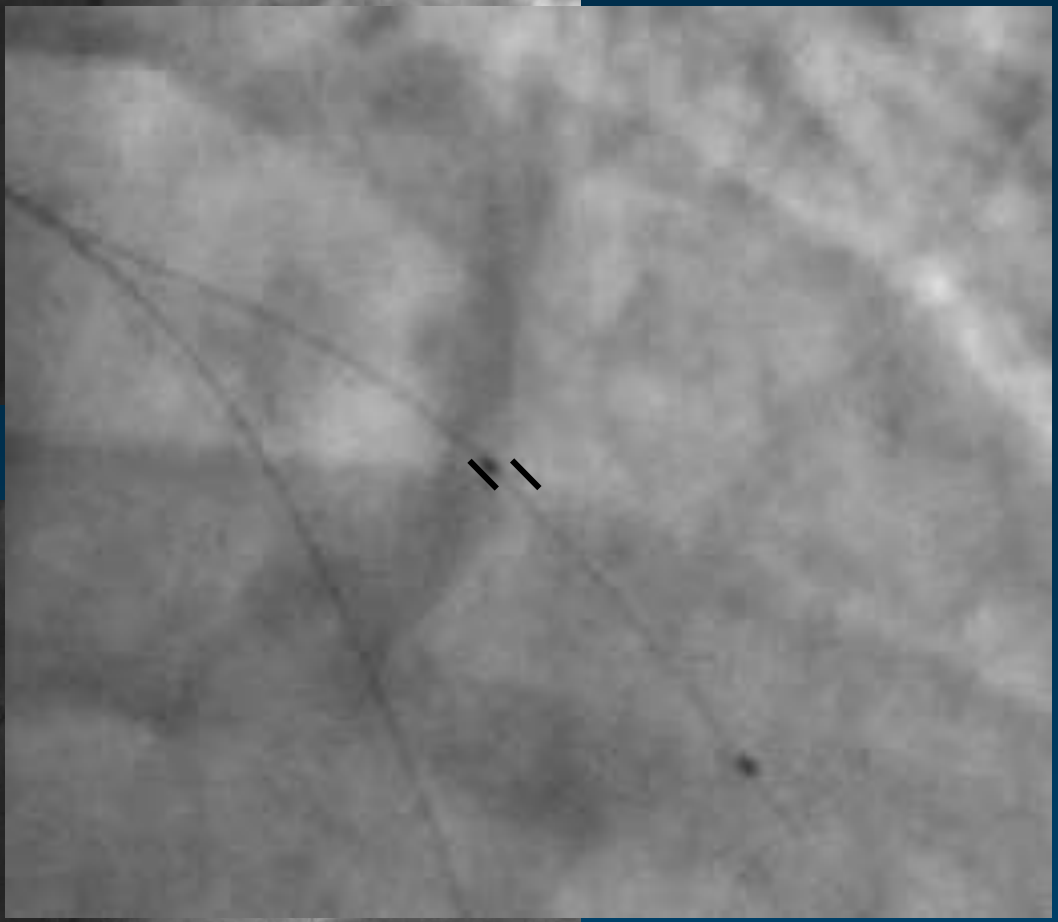
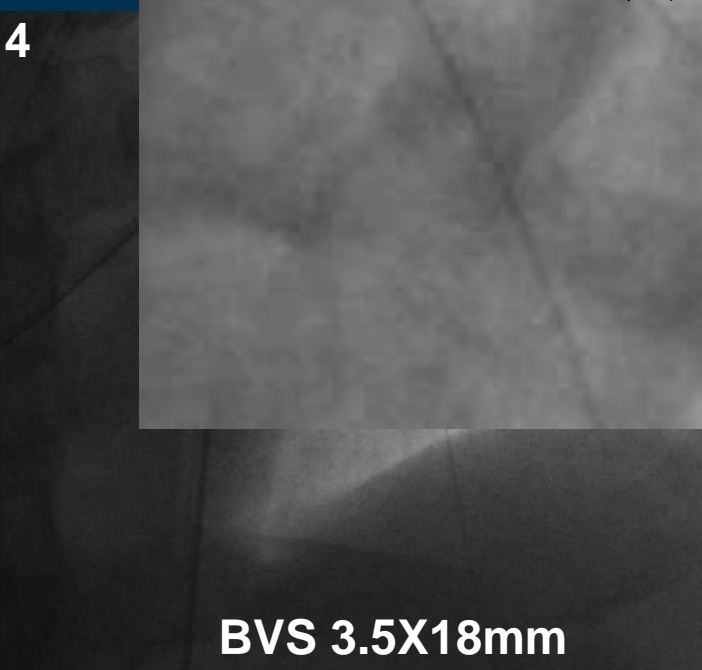
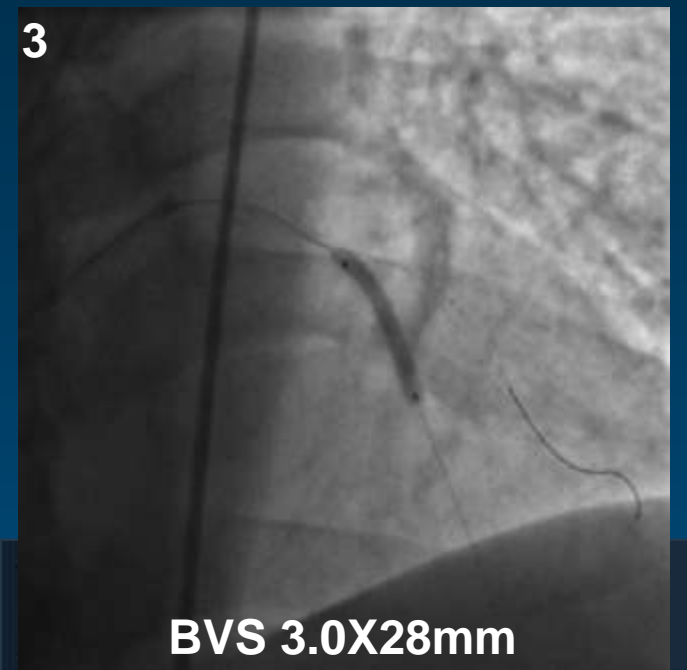
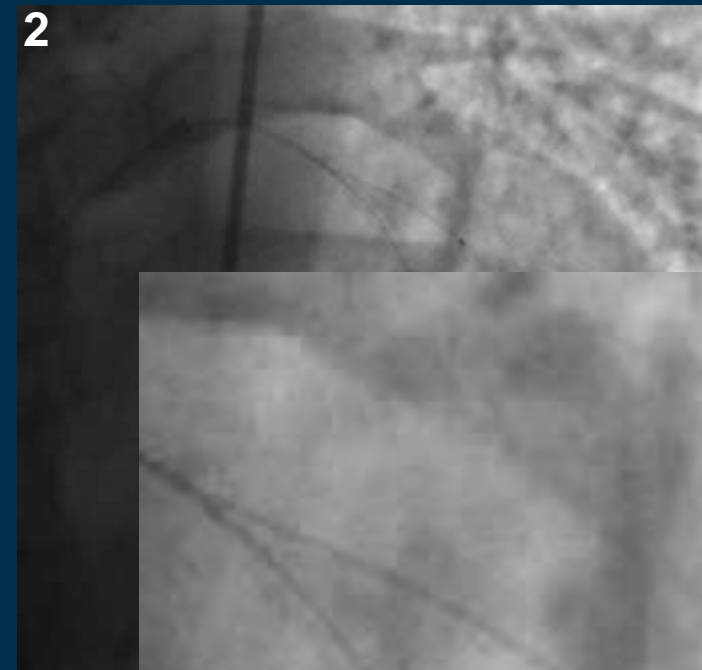
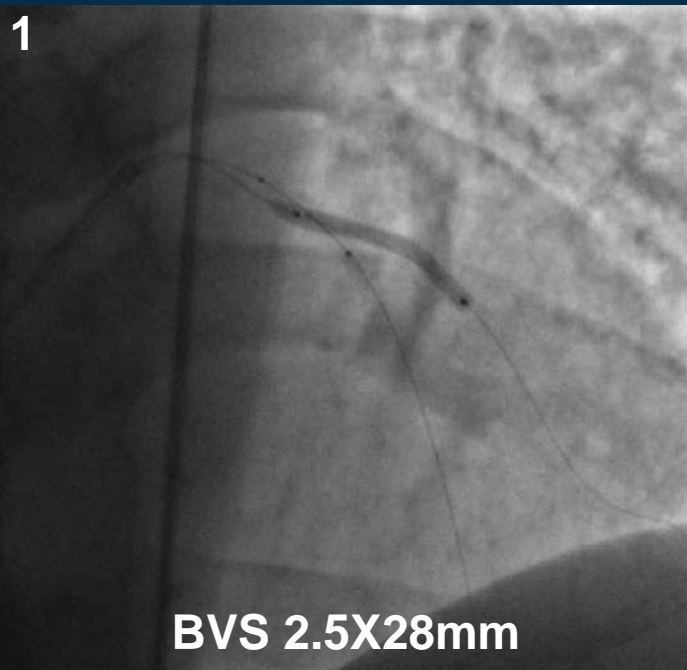
## Treatment of coronary bifurcation with mini-crush technique utilizing BVS.





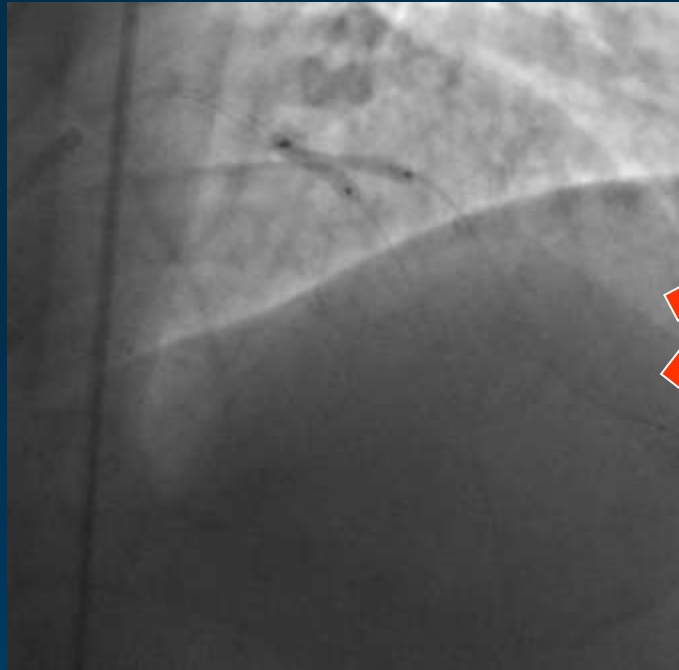
**Lesion Preparation: Sprinter SC  
2.5 and 3.0 x 20 mm**



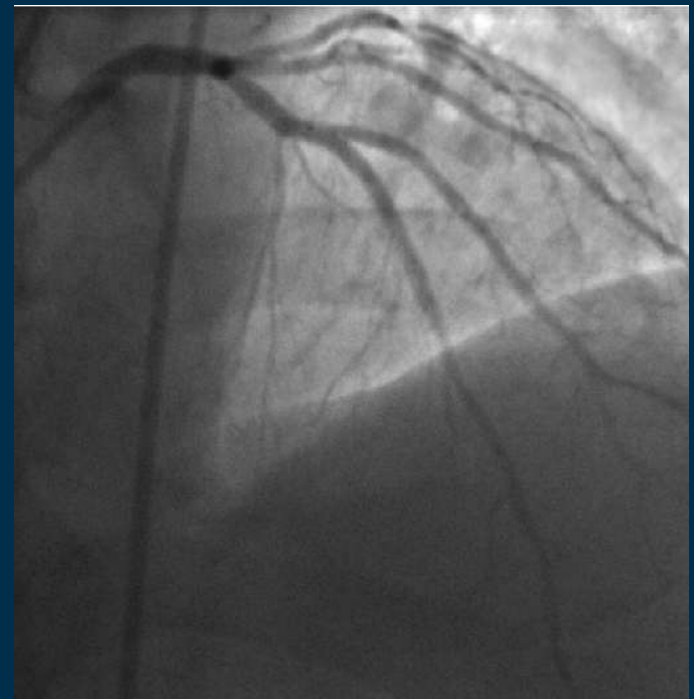




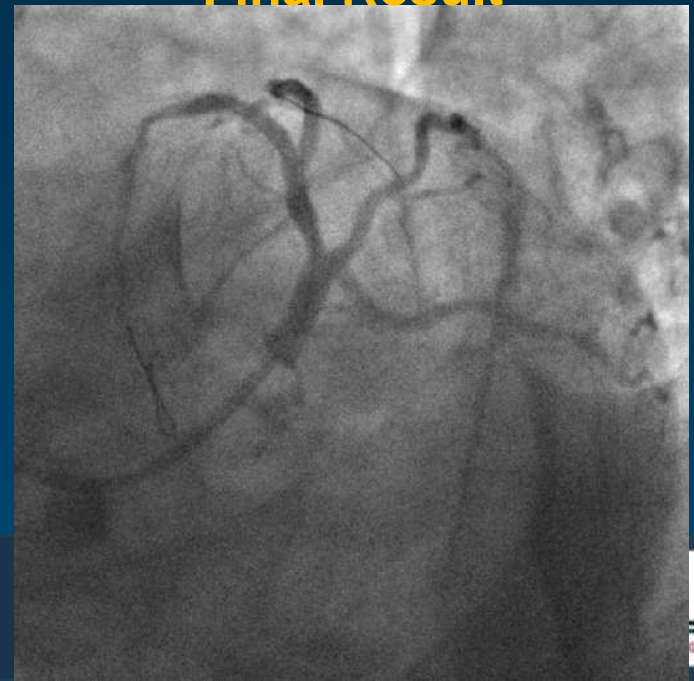
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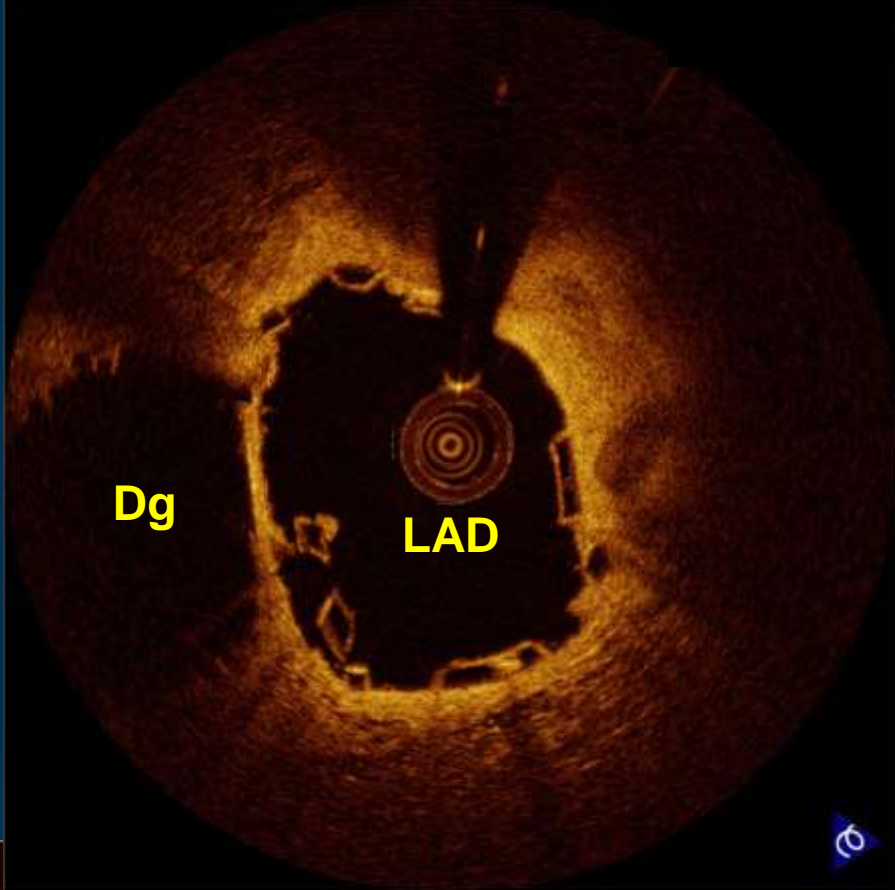


**FKB**



**Final Result**





Dg

LAD



10

20

30

40

mm

2

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2

mm

LAD

LAD

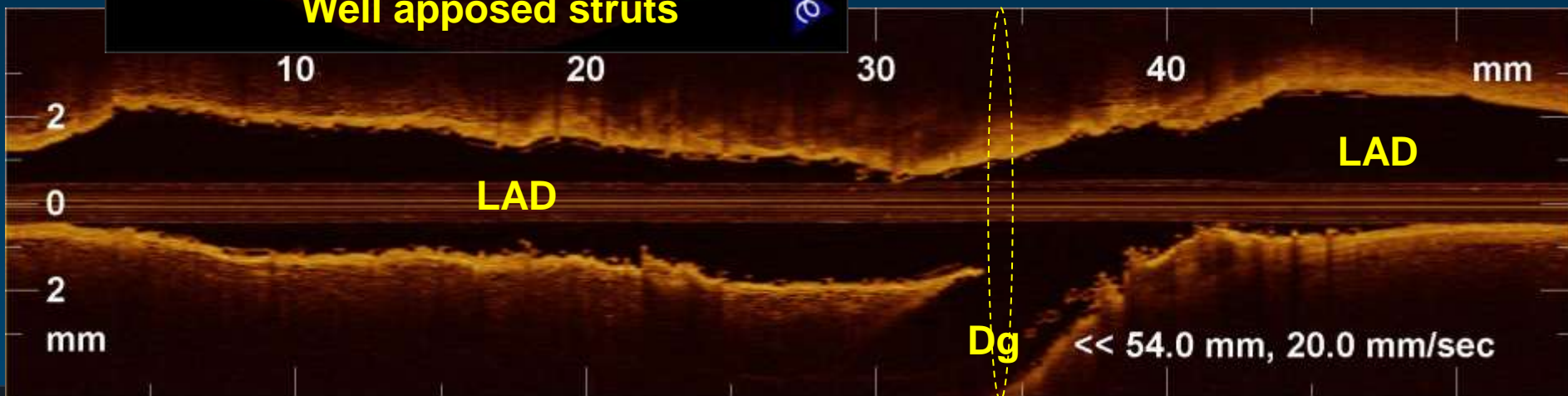
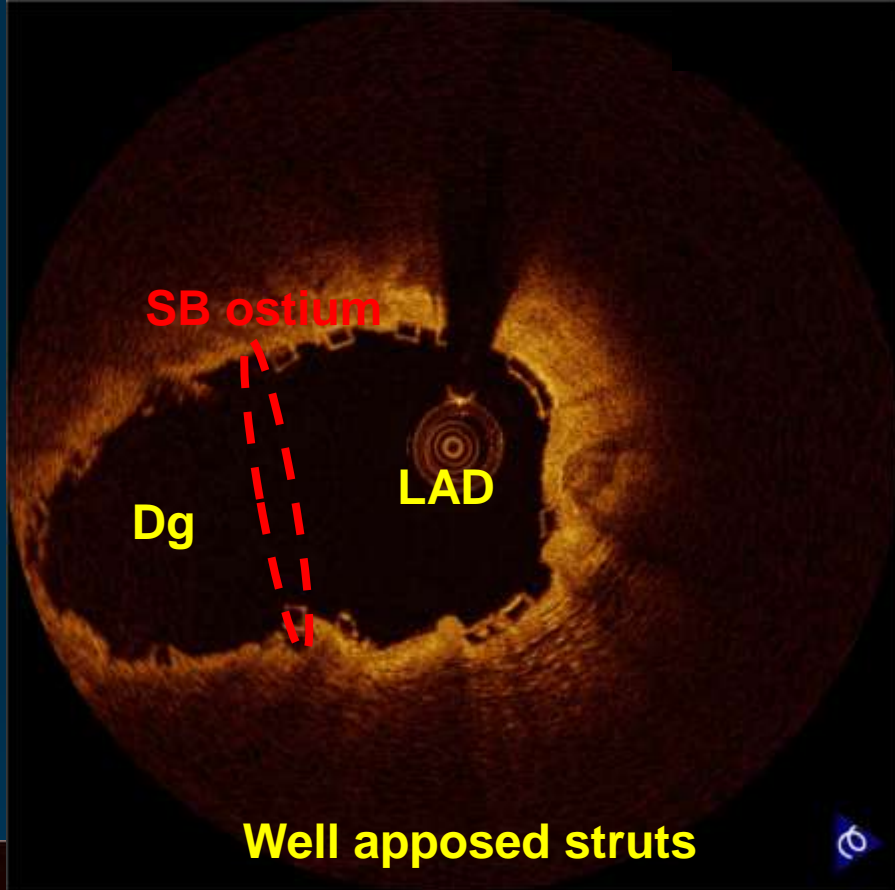
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<< 54.0 mm, 20.0 mm/sec

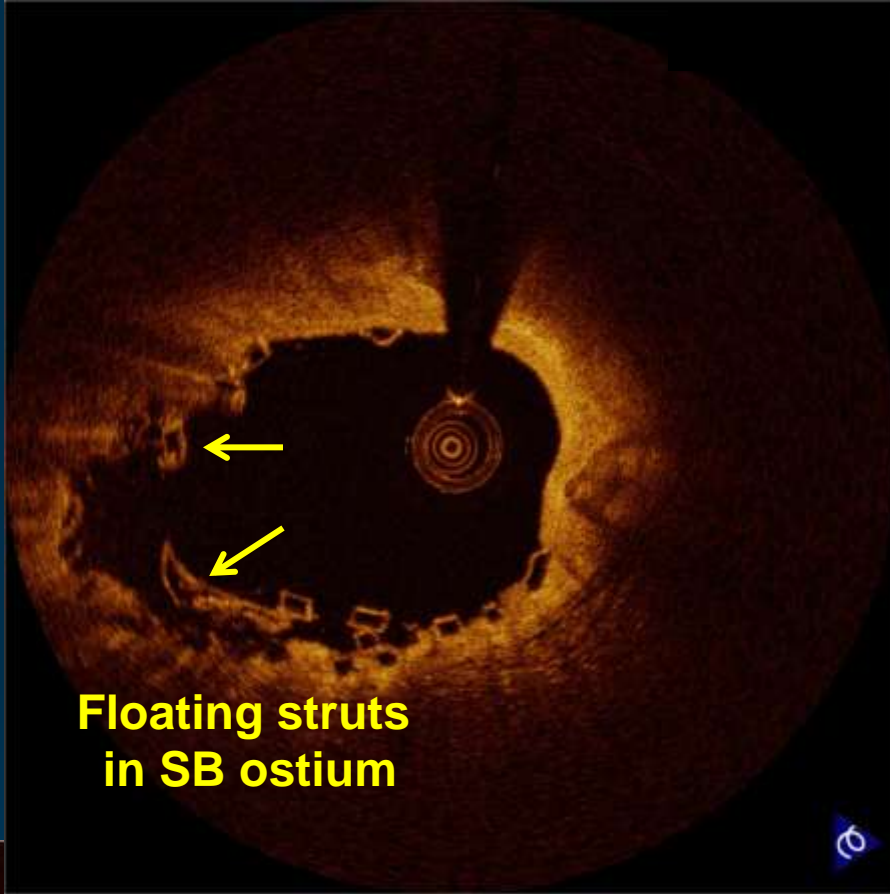


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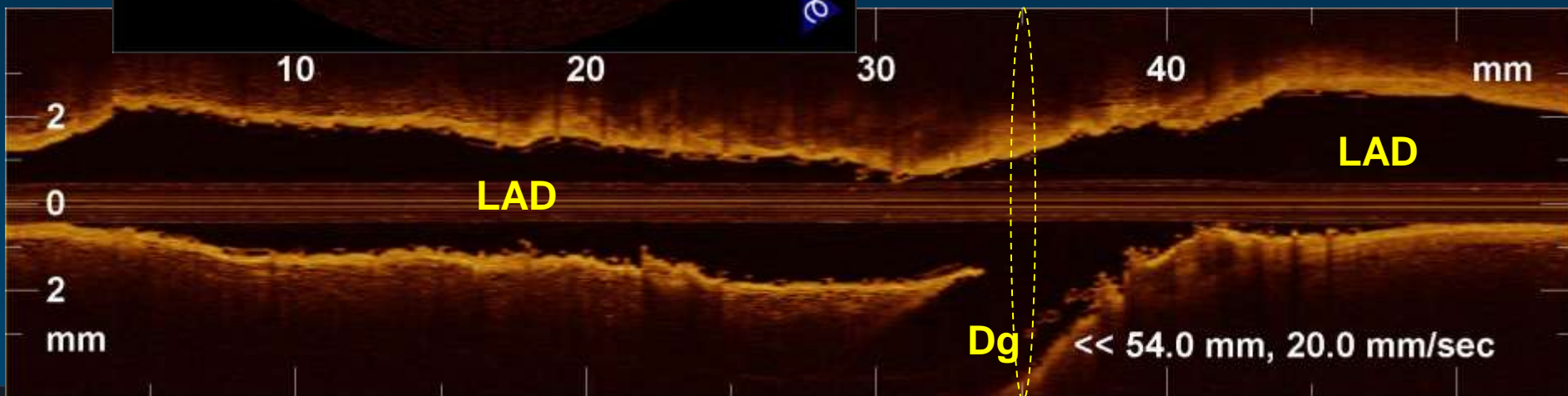


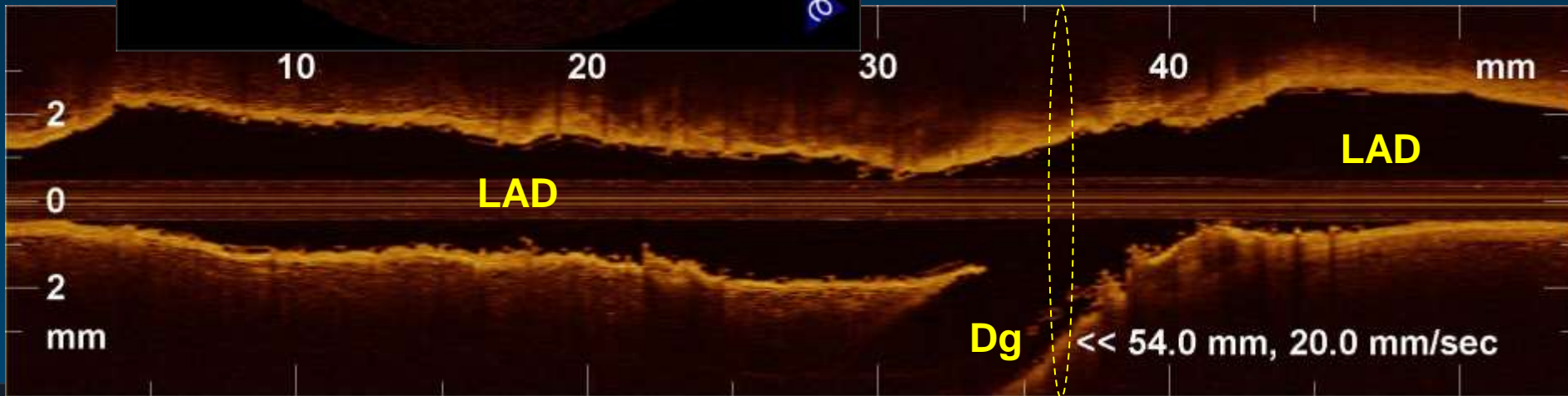
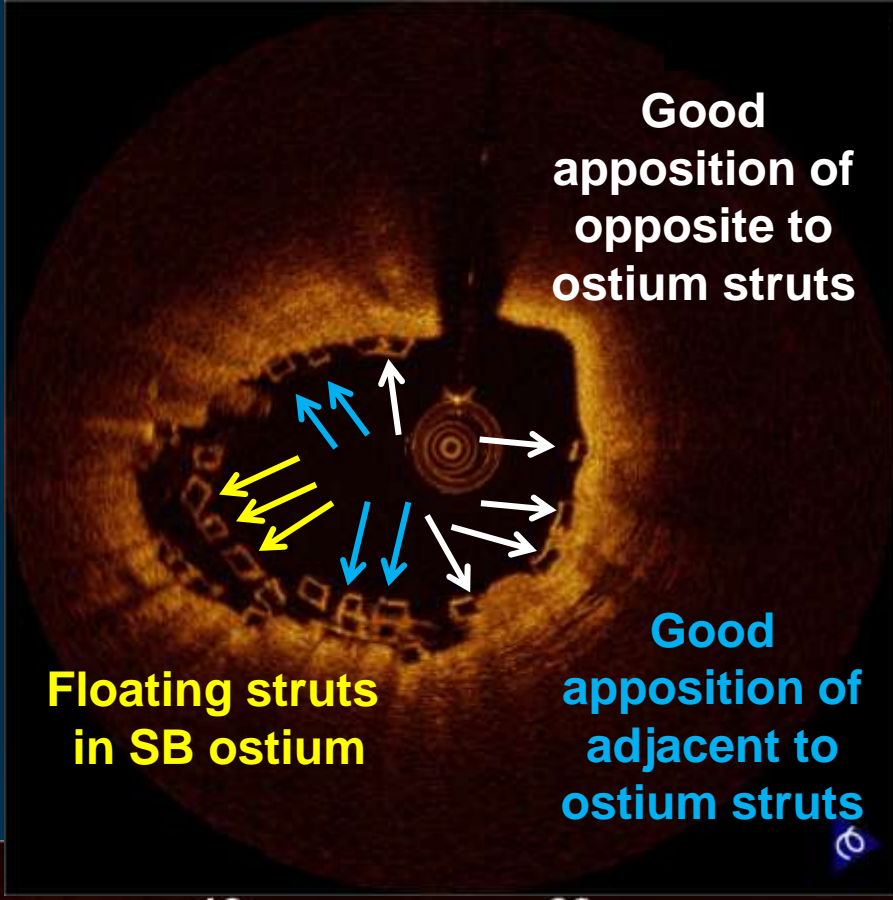




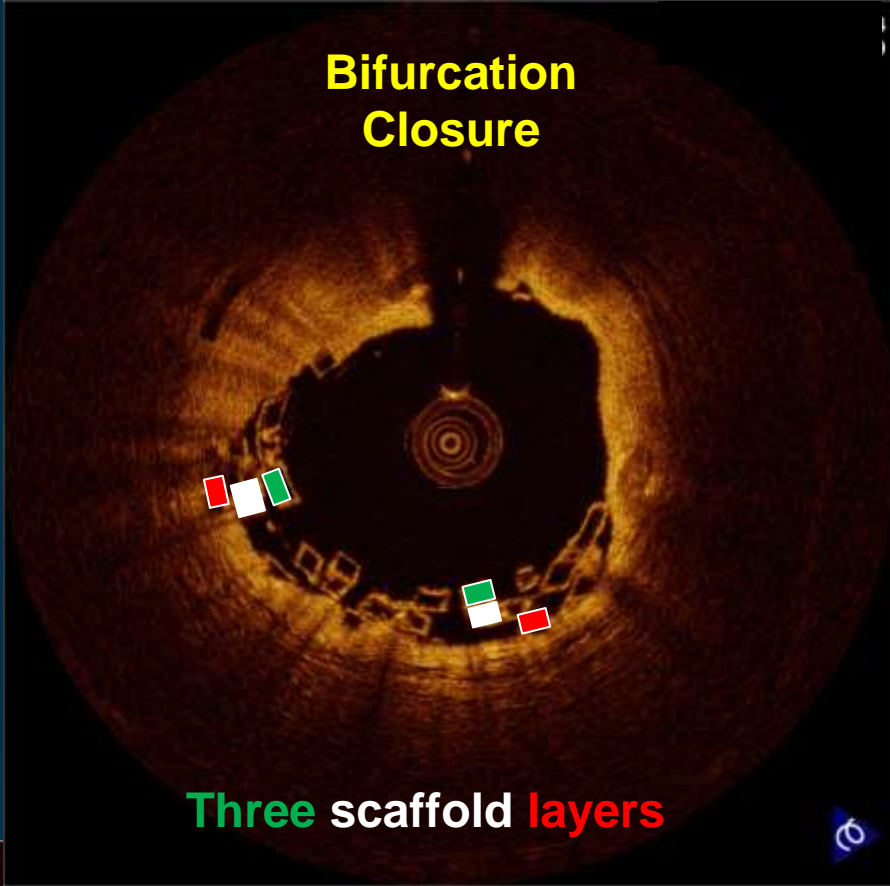


**Floating struts  
in SB ostium**

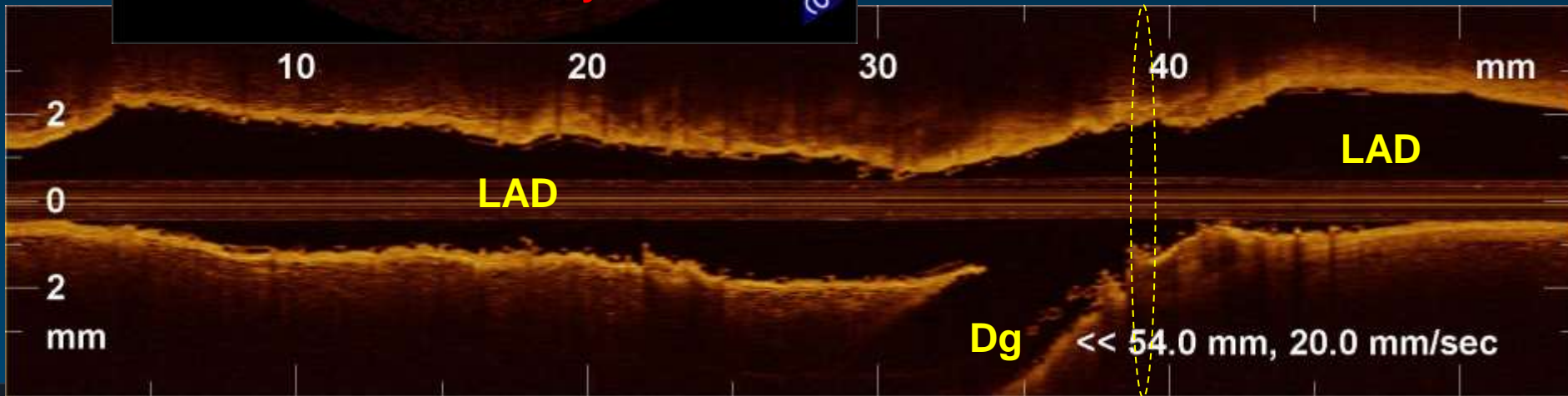




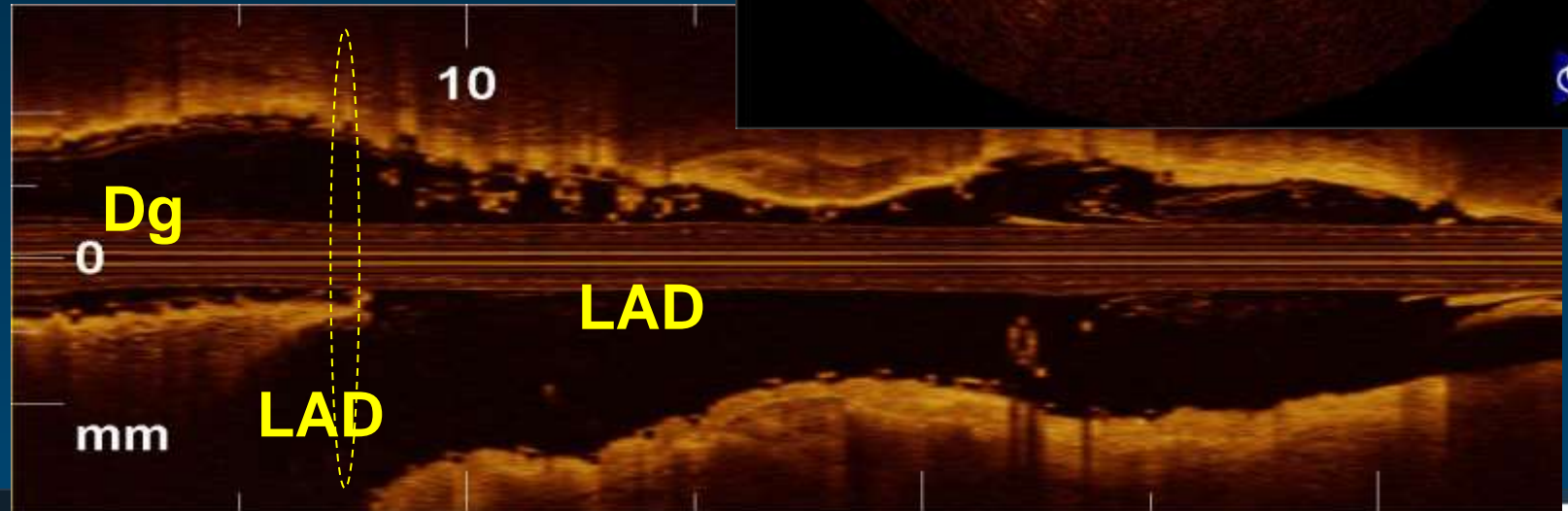
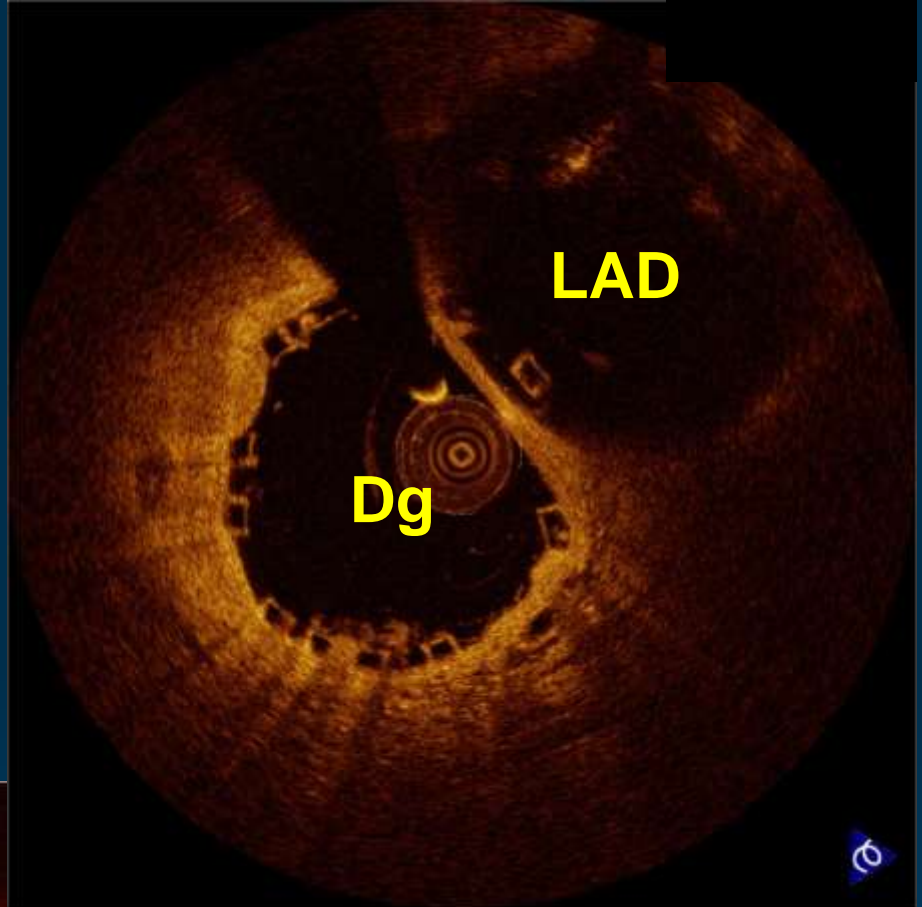
# Bifurcation Closure



Three scaffold layers

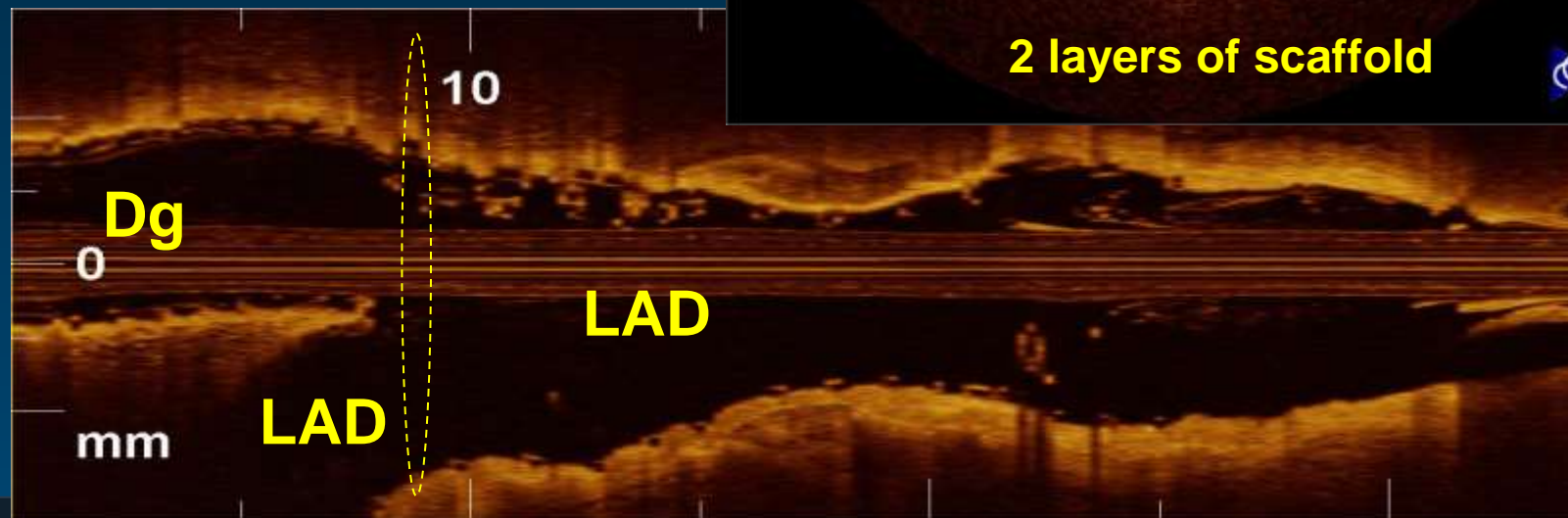
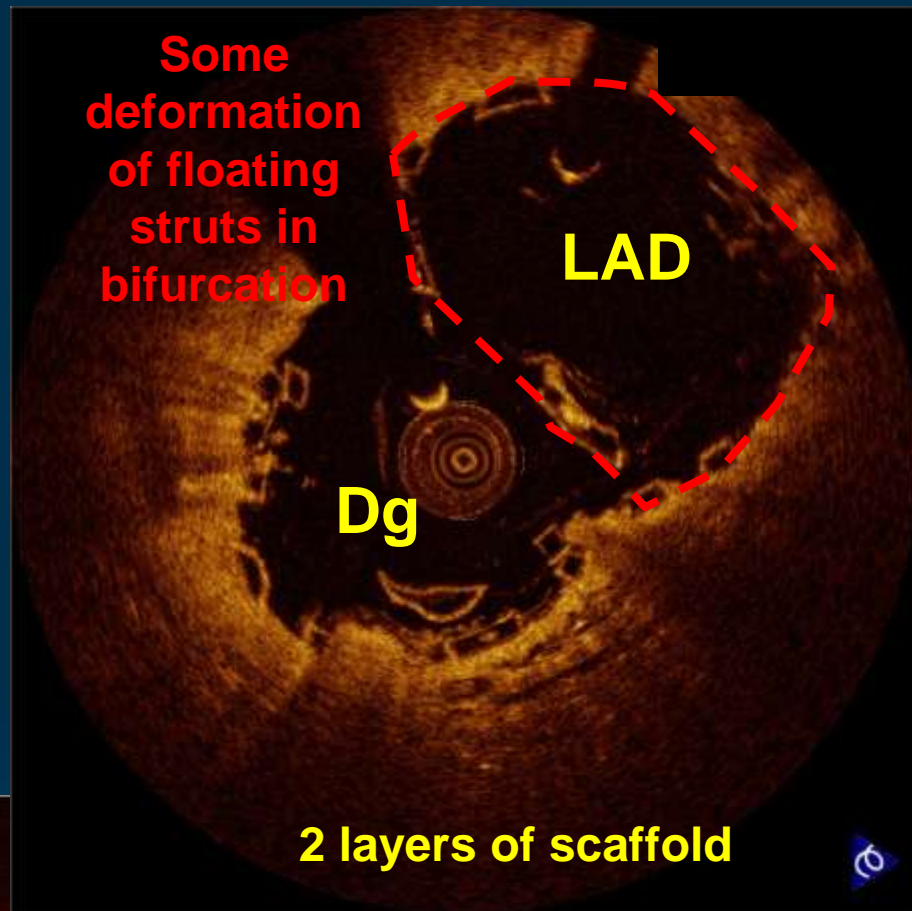




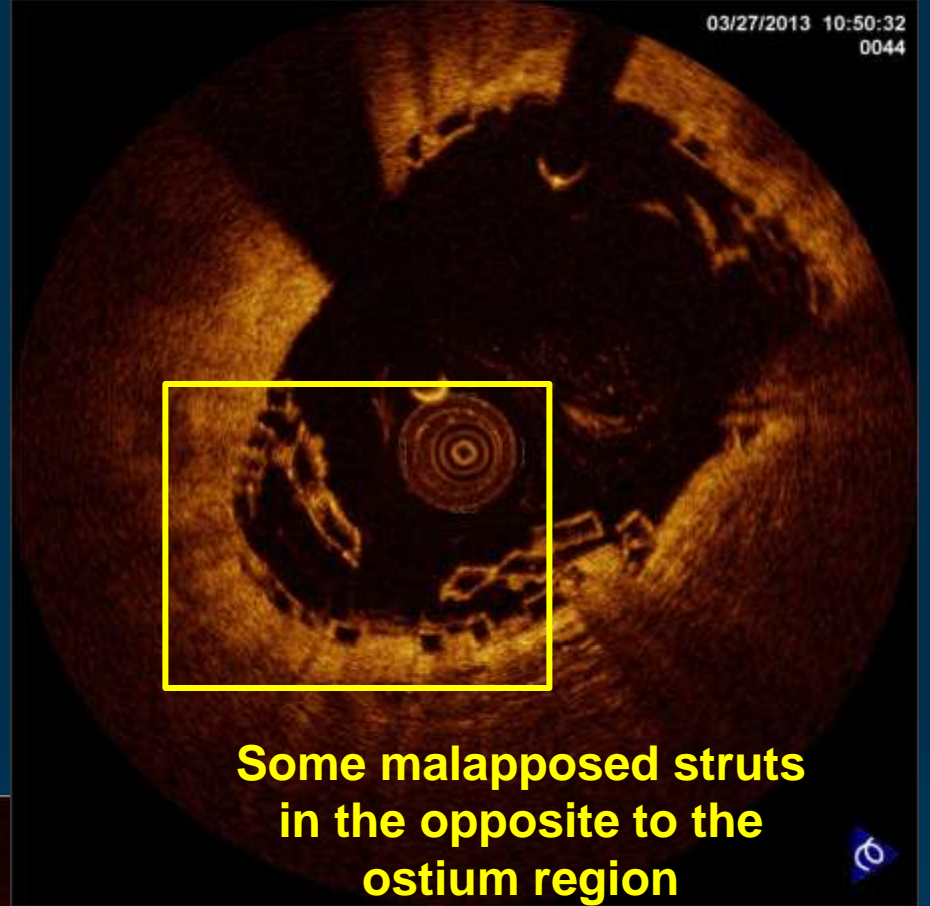


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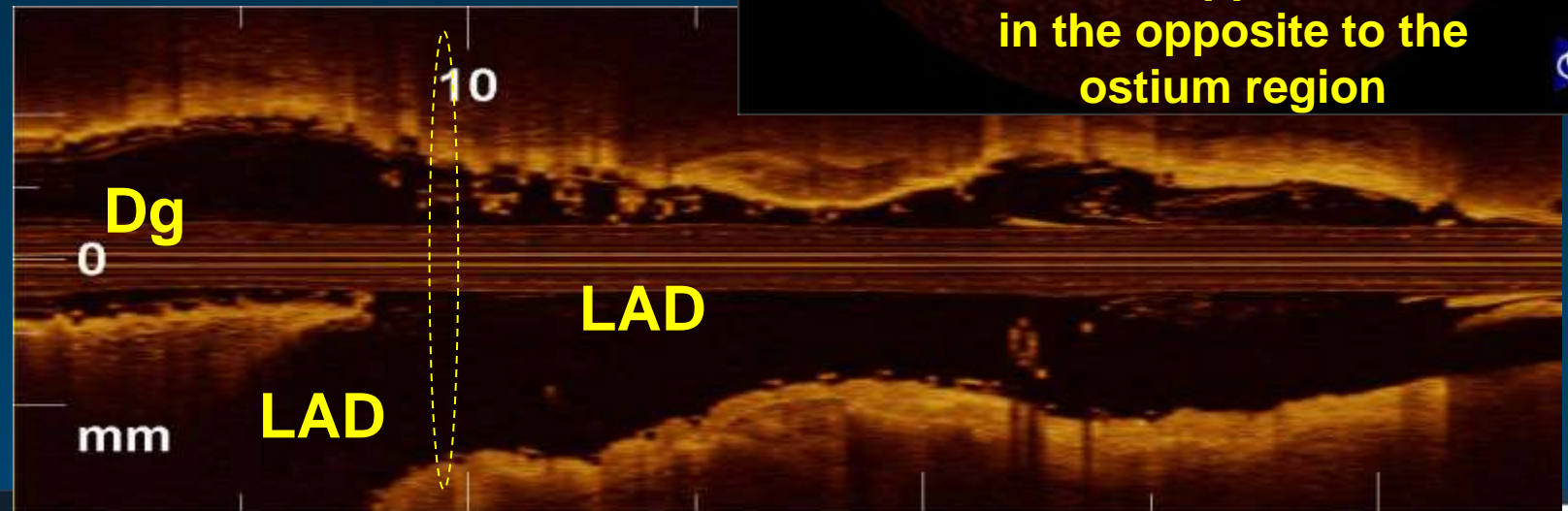








**Some malapposed struts  
in the opposite to the  
ostium region**



Patient asymptomatic at 700 days follow-up.

To date, BVS implantation in bifurcations, especially utilizing two-scaffold technique and post procedure kissing-balloon dilation is an off label indication.

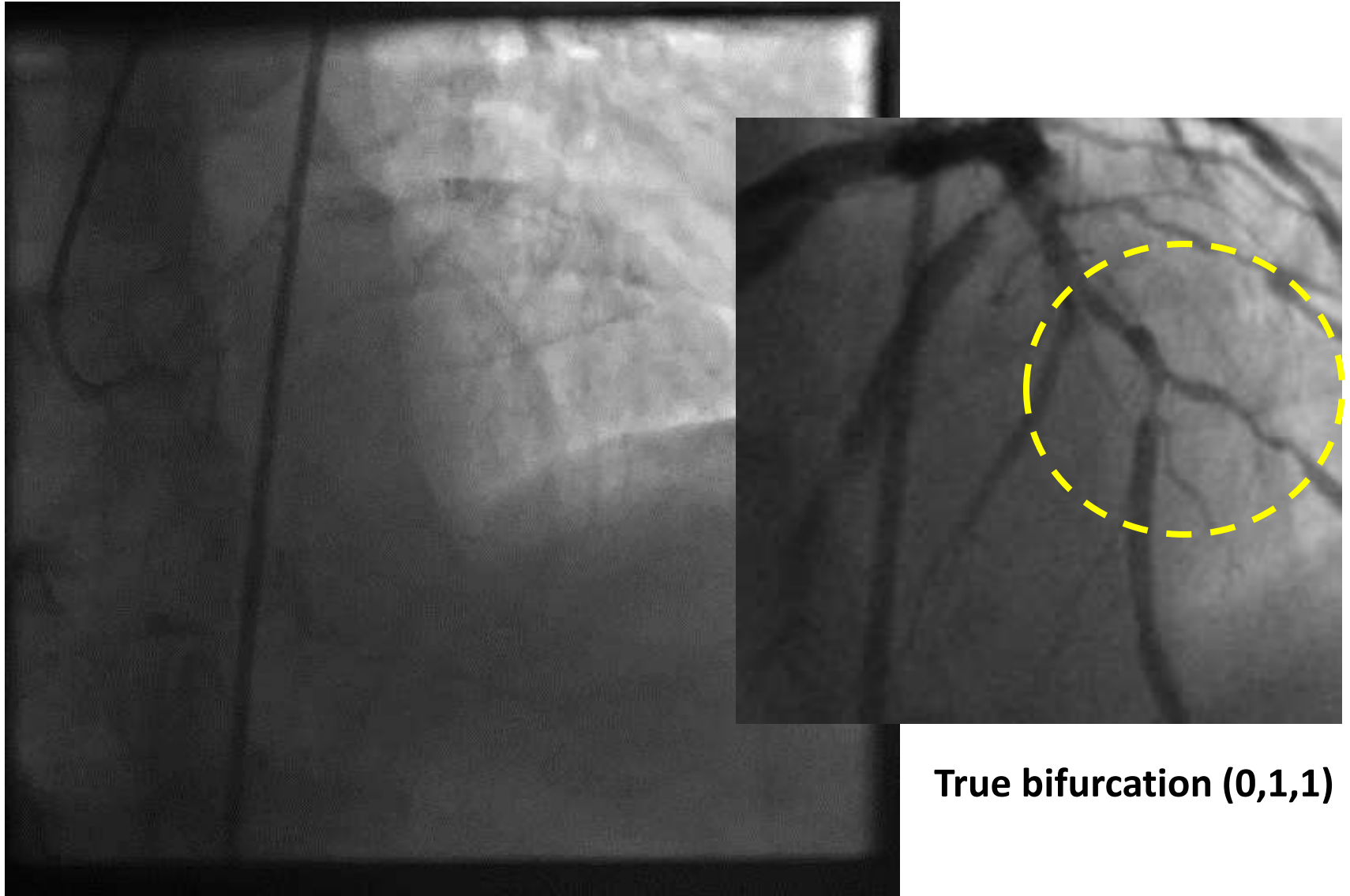


## Case #3

**Treatment of coronary bifurcation  
with mini-crush technique  
utilizing BVS.  
2y OCT F-U**



# Baseline Angiography

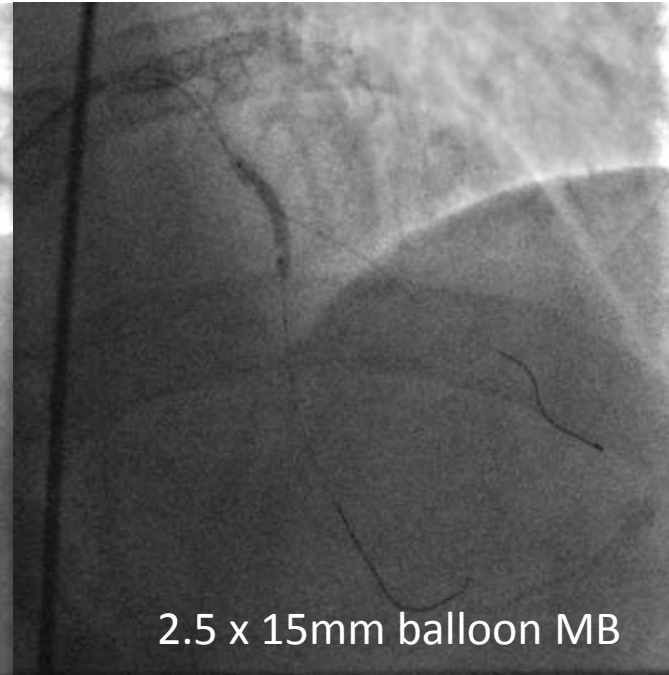
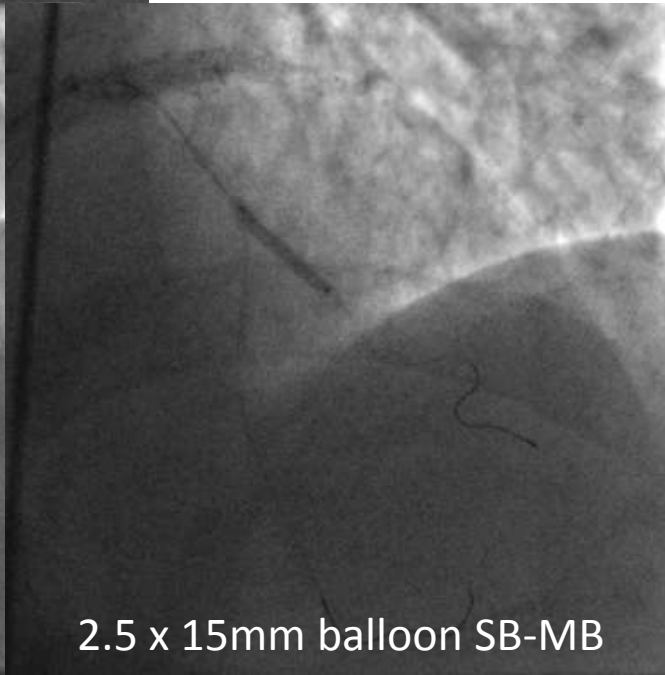
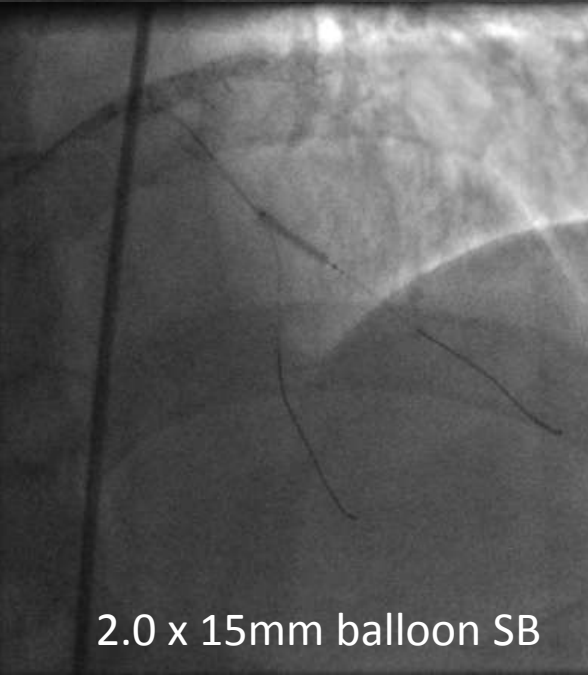
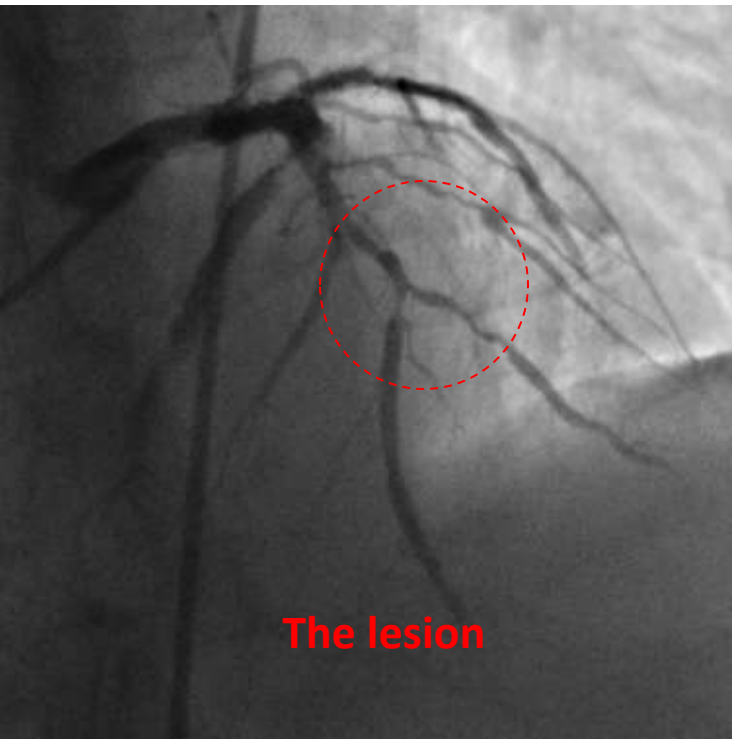


**True bifurcation (0,1,1)**



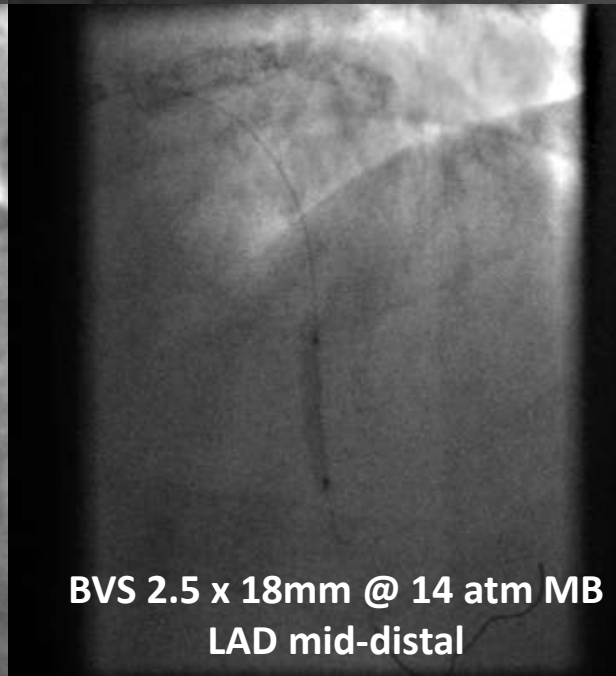
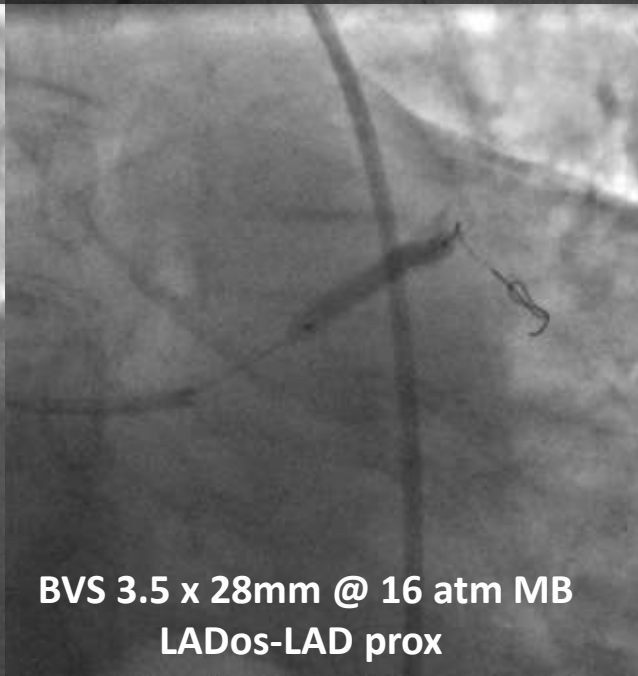
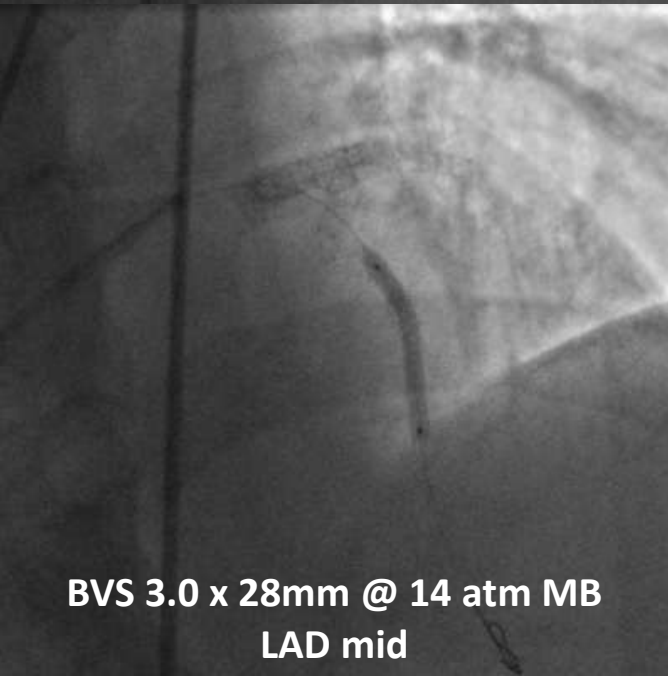
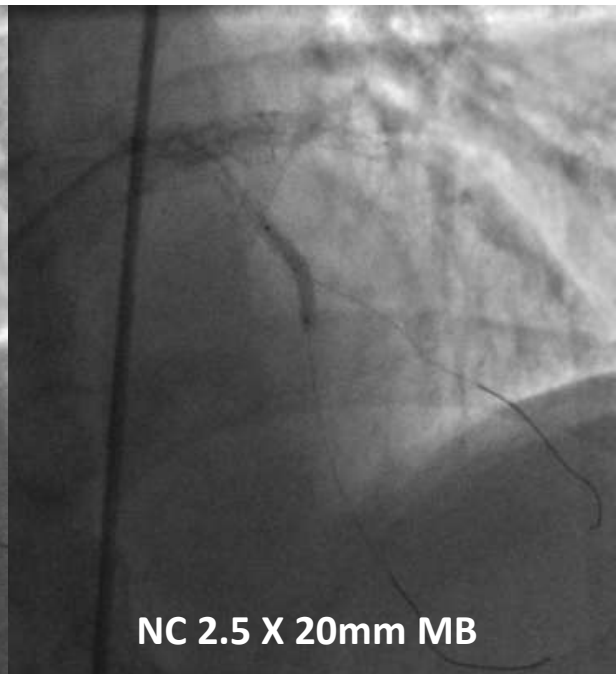
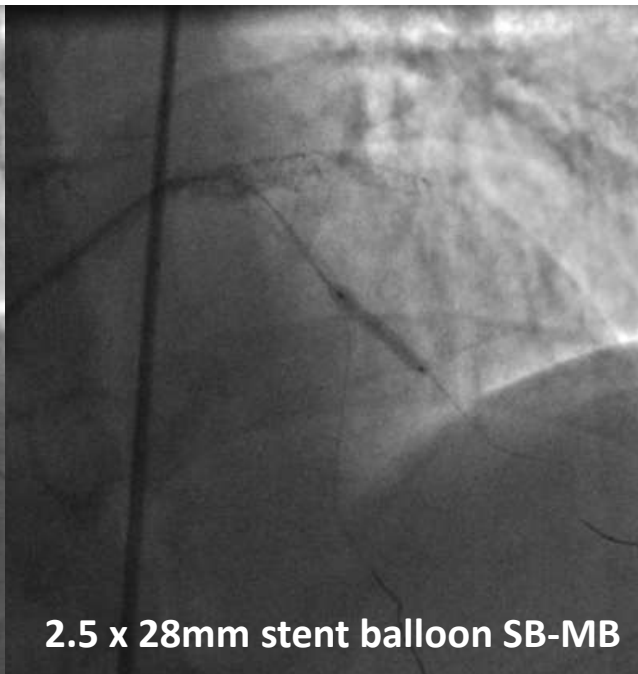
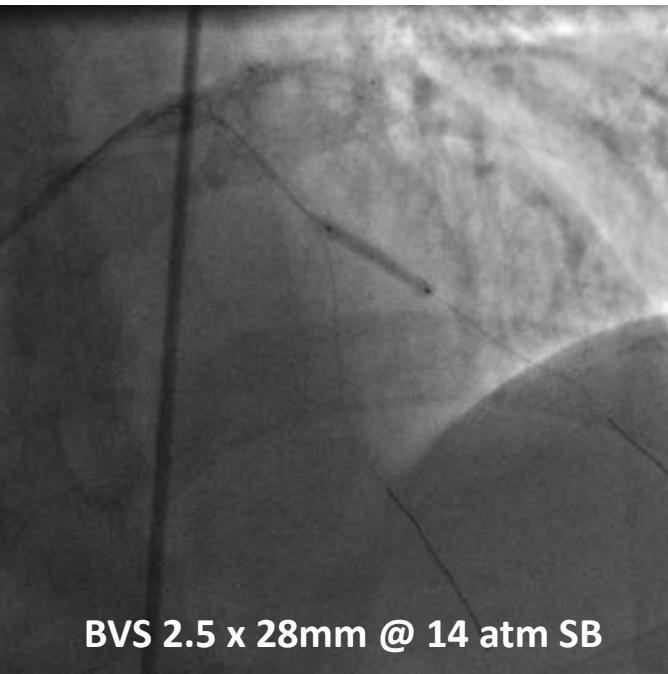
# Lesion preparation

A key step during BVS  
implantation





# BVS implantation



**BVS 2.5 x 28mm @ 14 atm SB**

**2.5 x 28mm stent balloon SB-MB**

**NC 2.5 X 20mm MB**

**BVS 3.0 x 28mm @ 14 atm MB  
LAD mid**

**BVS 3.5 x 28mm @ 16 atm MB  
LADos-LAD prox**

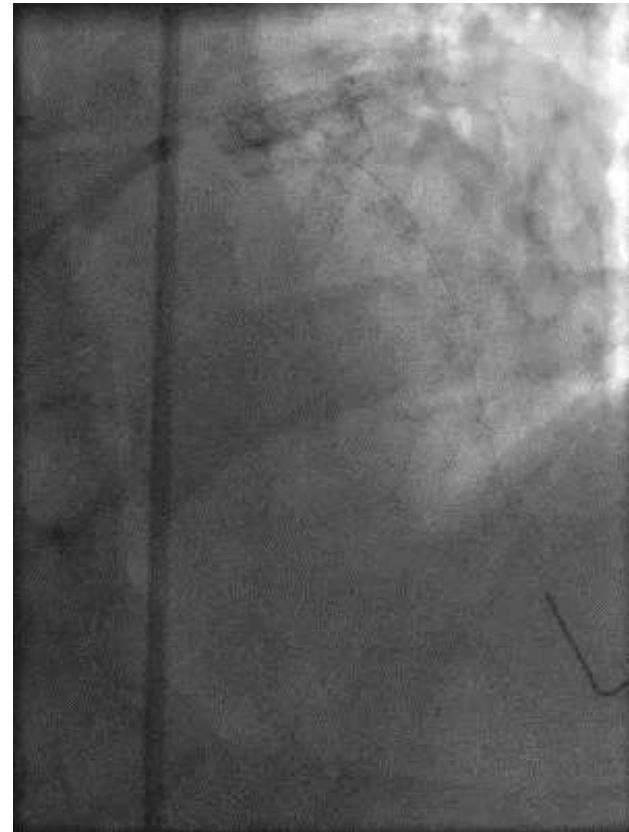
**BVS 2.5 x 18mm @ 14 atm MB  
LAD mid-distal**

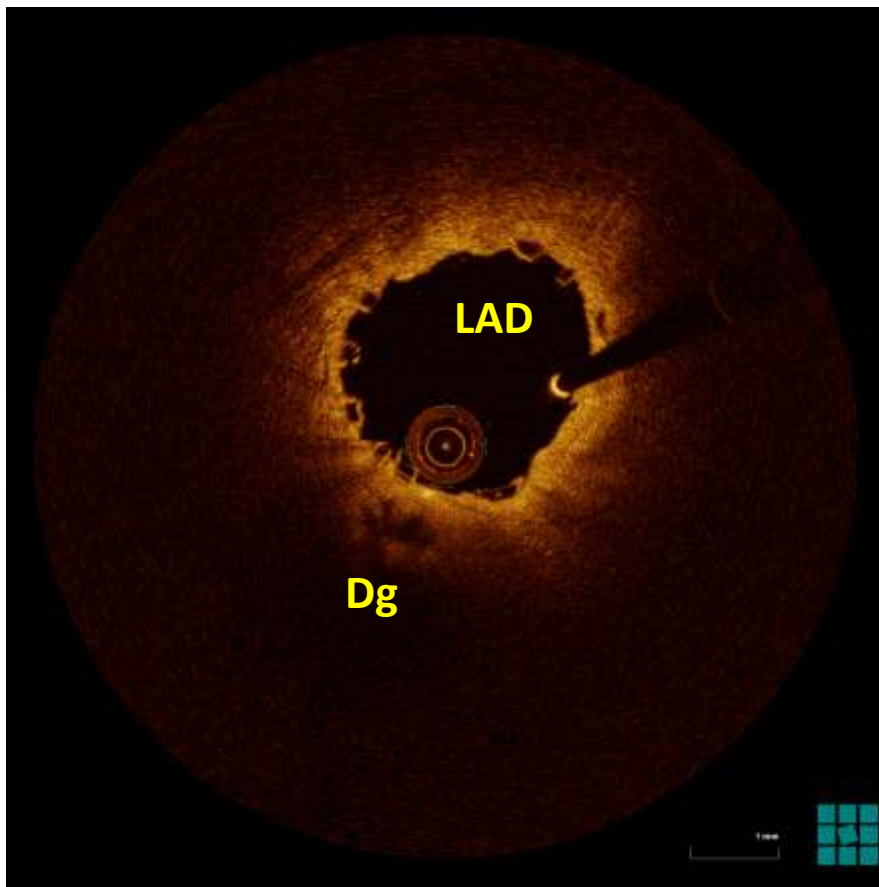
# 2-stent strategy with BVS

## Result post-implantation

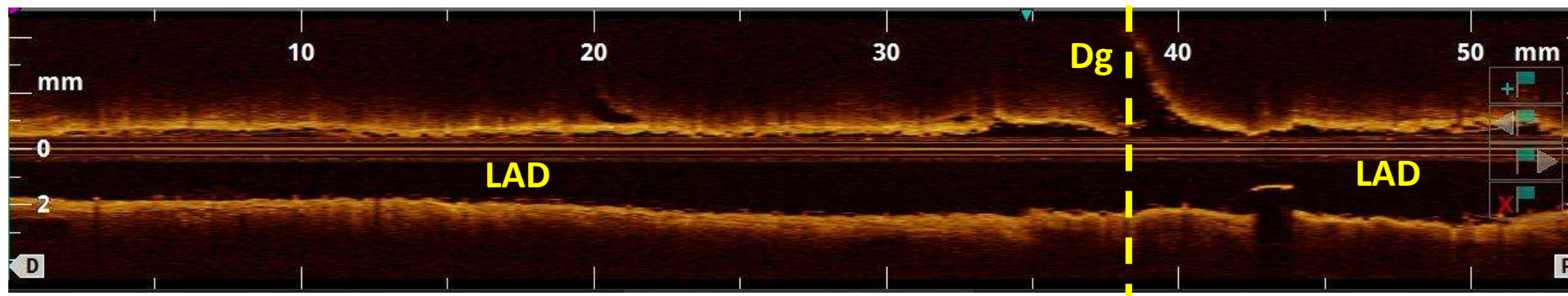
### Procedure steps:

- Minicrush 2.5/28 (D); 3.0/28 (LAD)
- SB opening 2.0 SCB
- Final POT on LAD 3.5 NCB
- OCT to assess results and guiding further steps

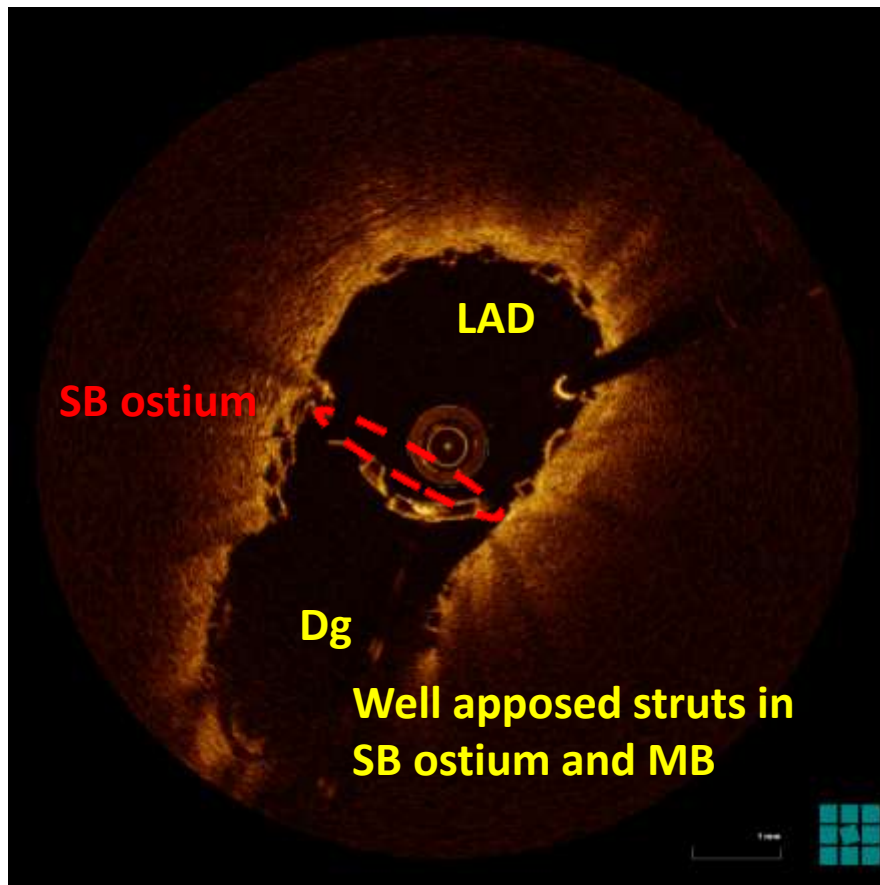




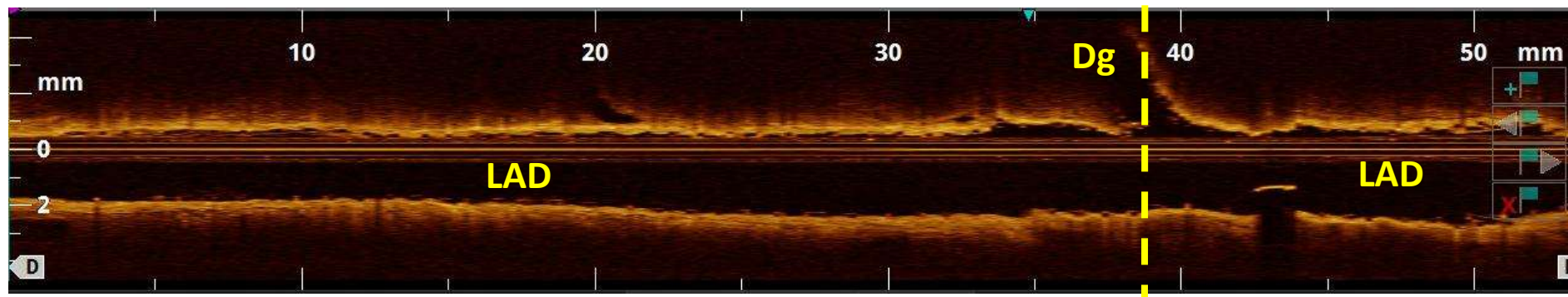
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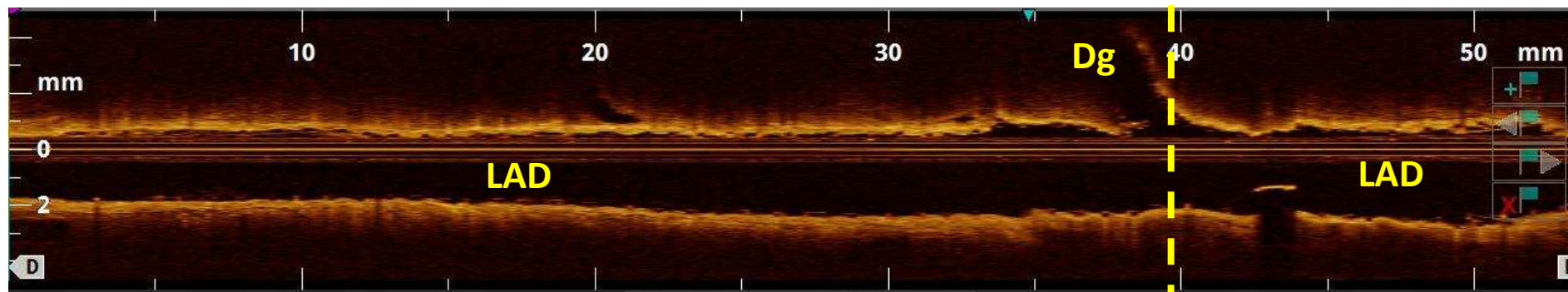
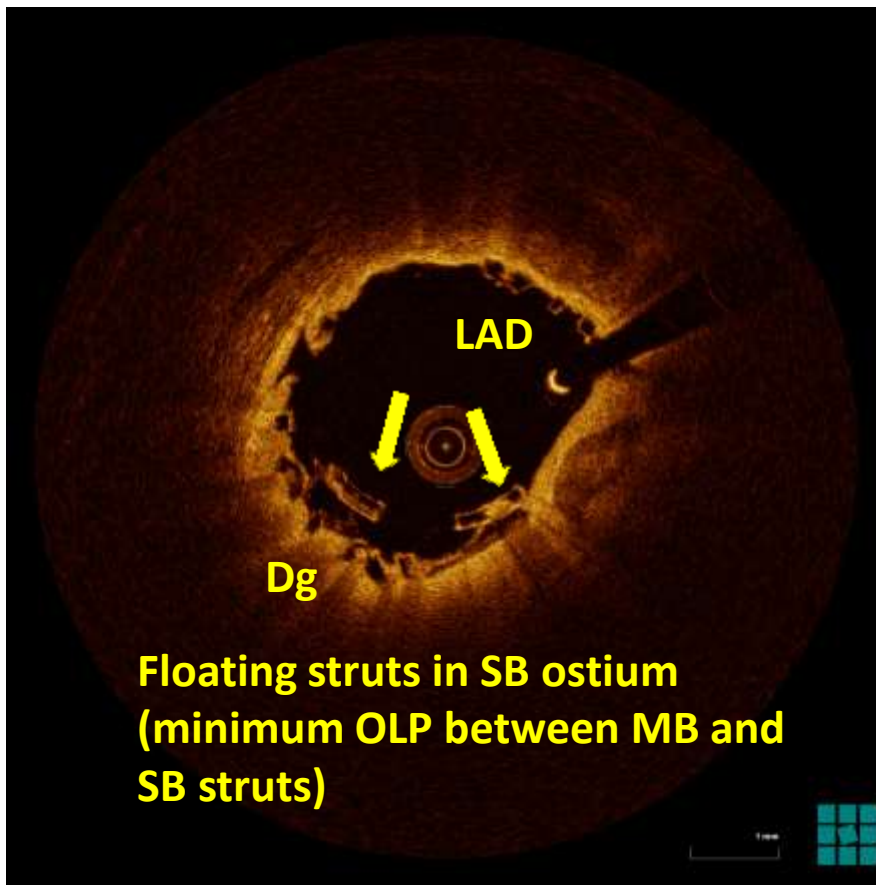




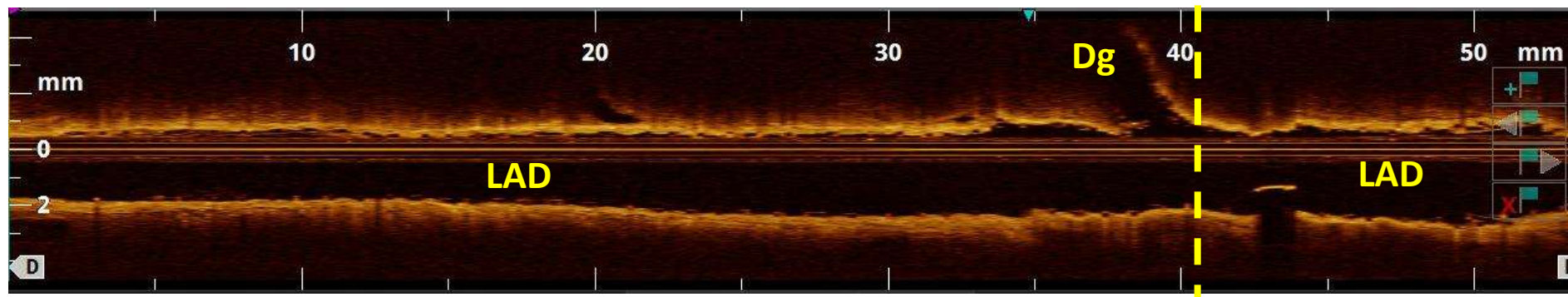
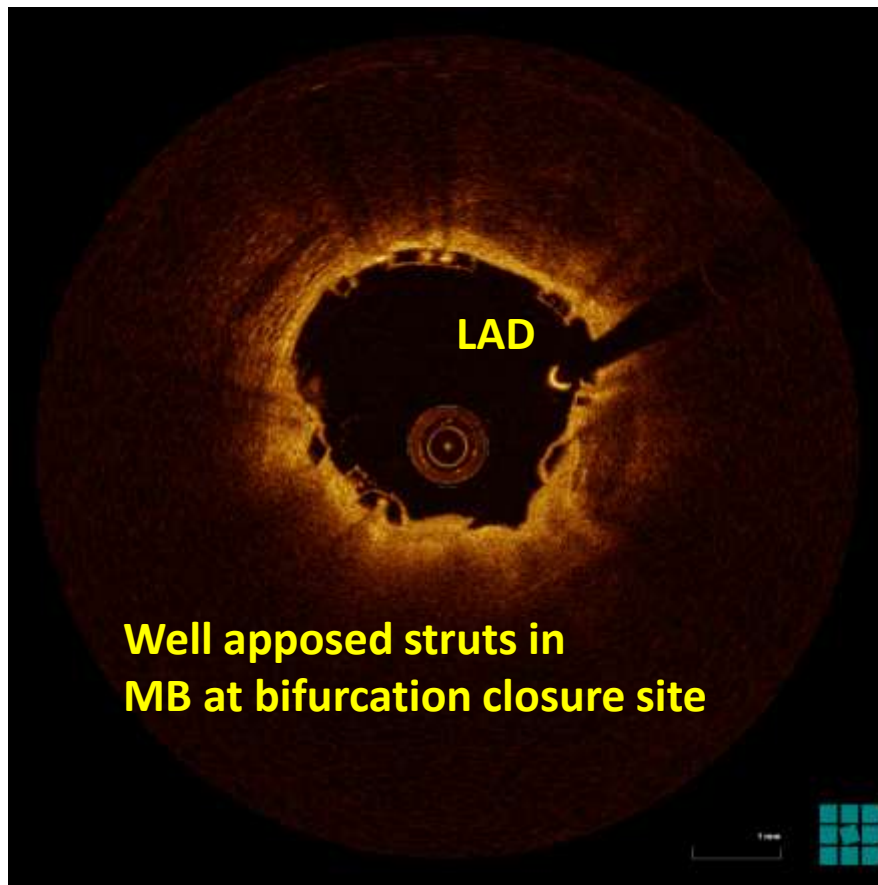
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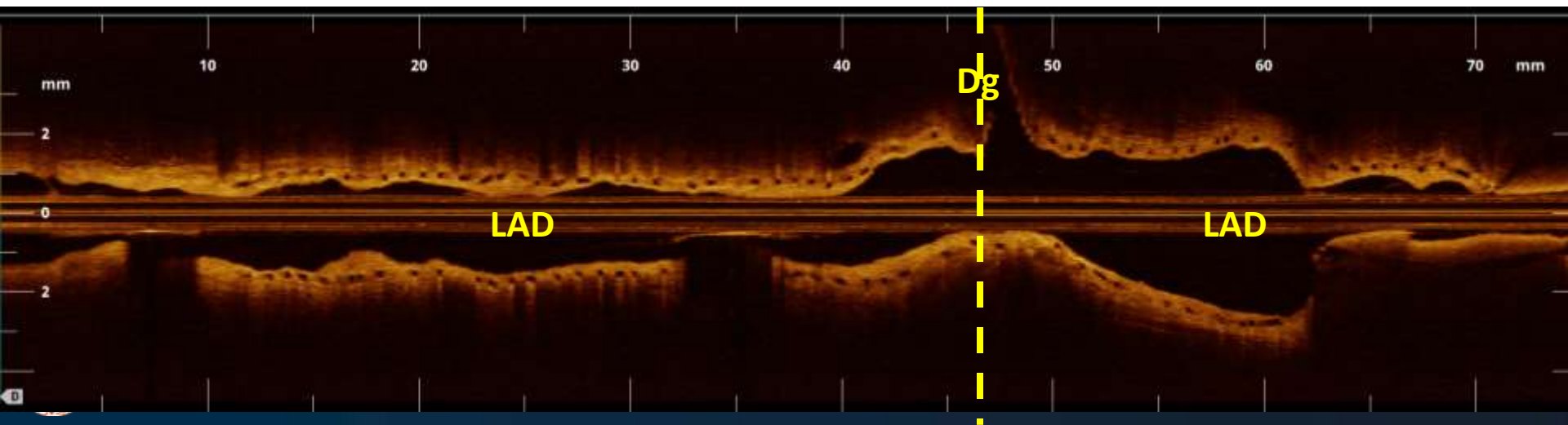
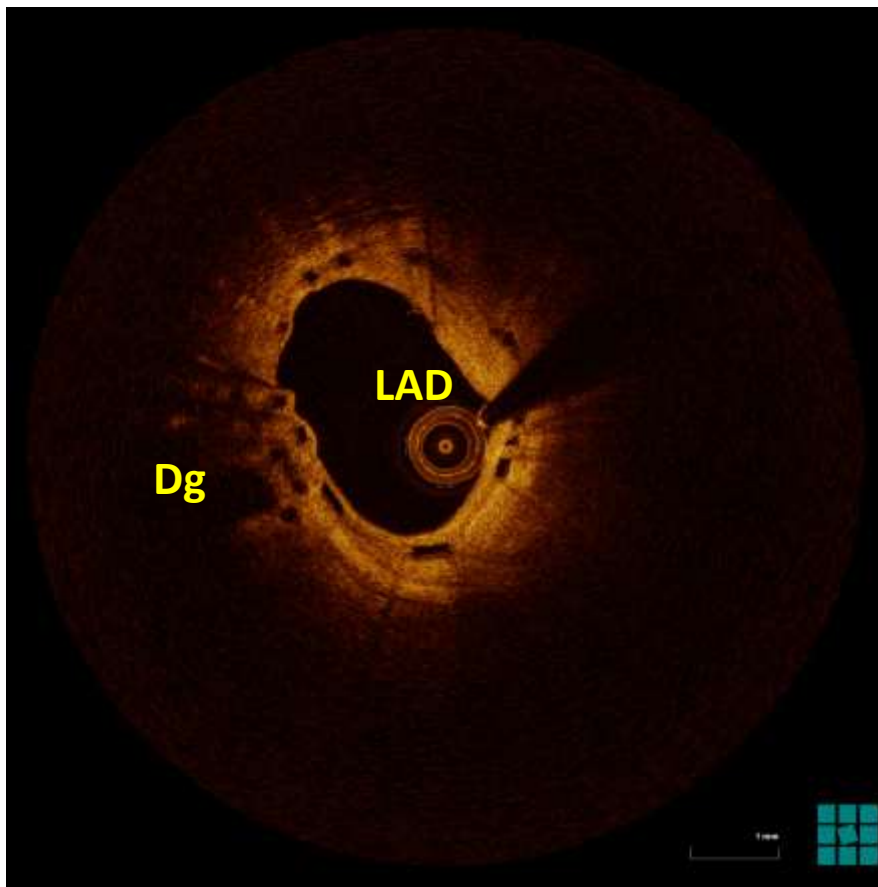
# Angiography at 2 years





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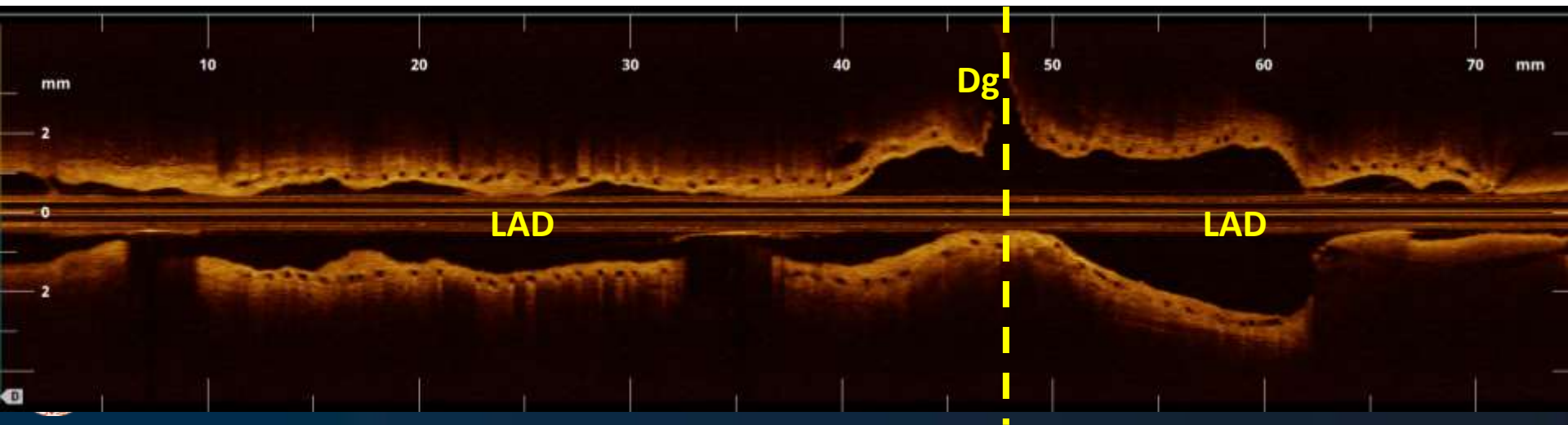
SB ostium

LAD

Dg

Struts are well covered by neointimal at SB ostium and MB

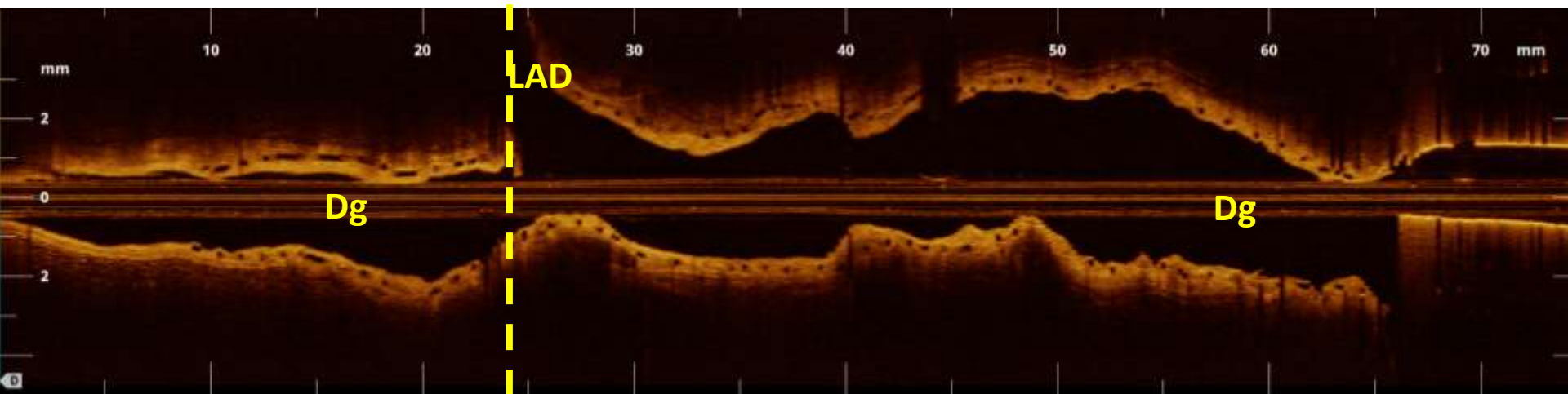
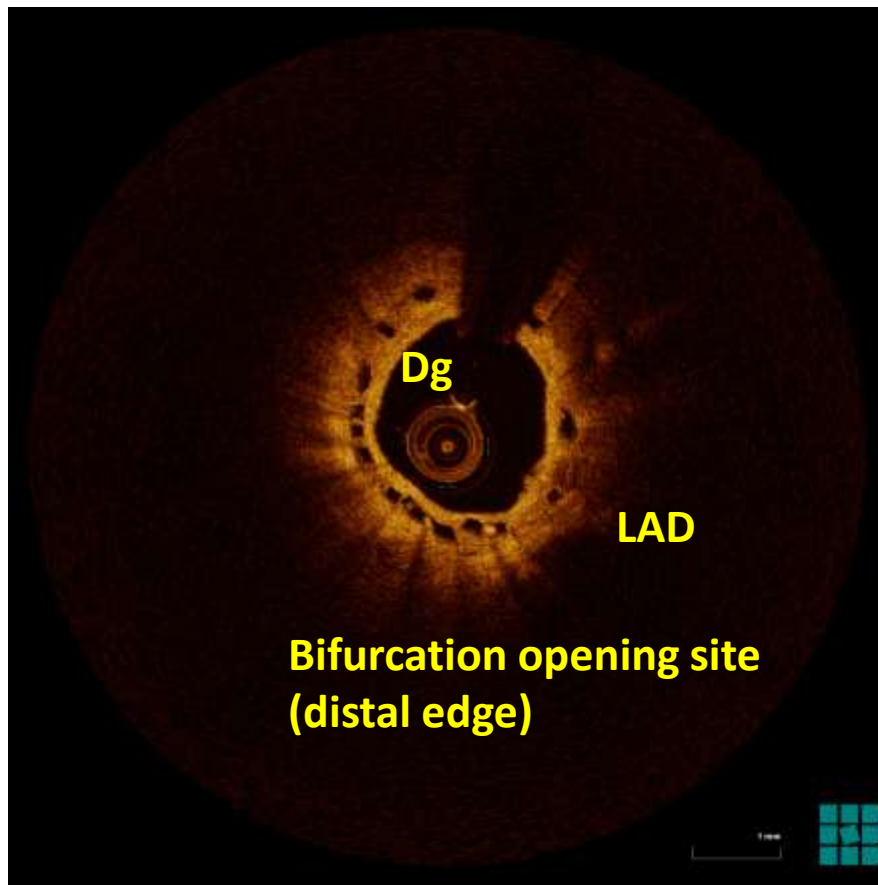
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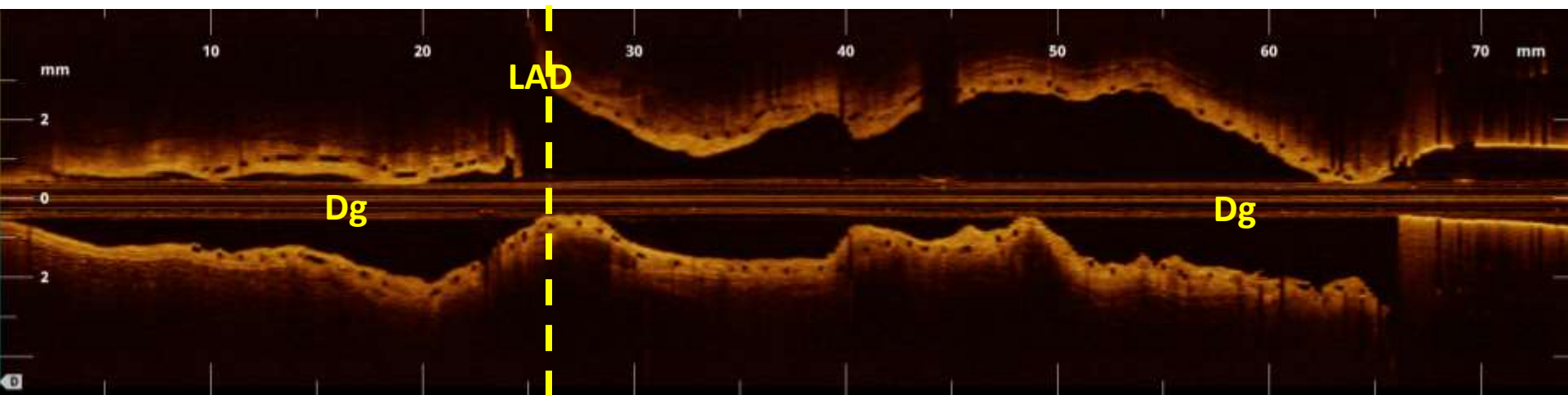
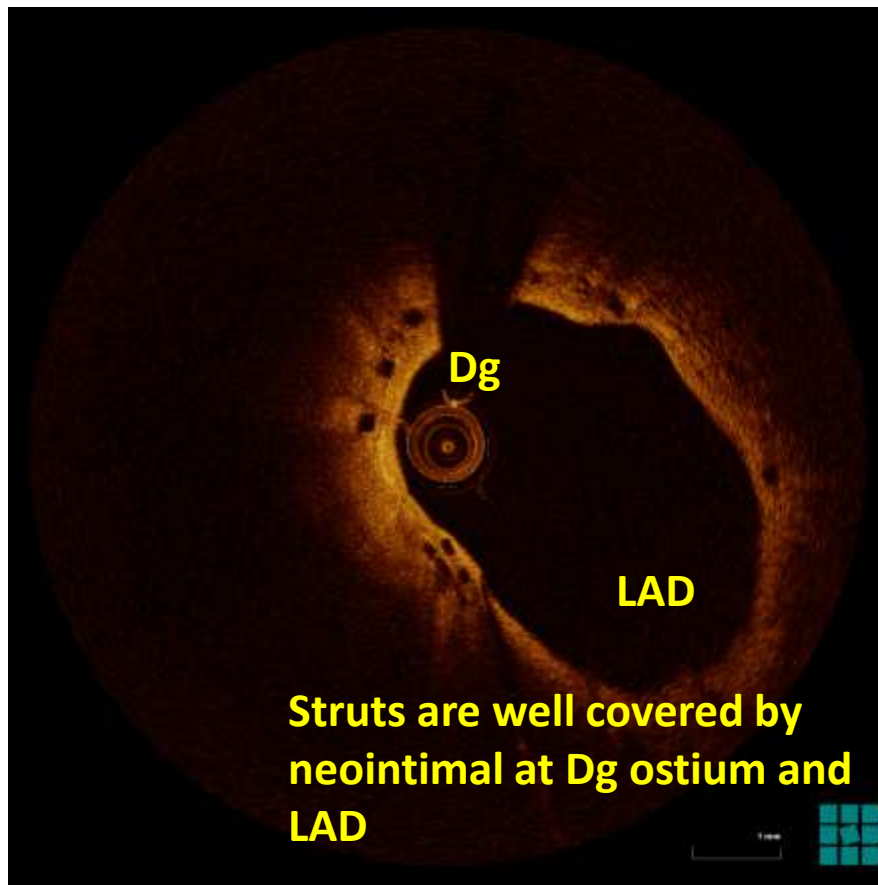
# Bifurcation Assessment by OCT (Pullback from Dg)





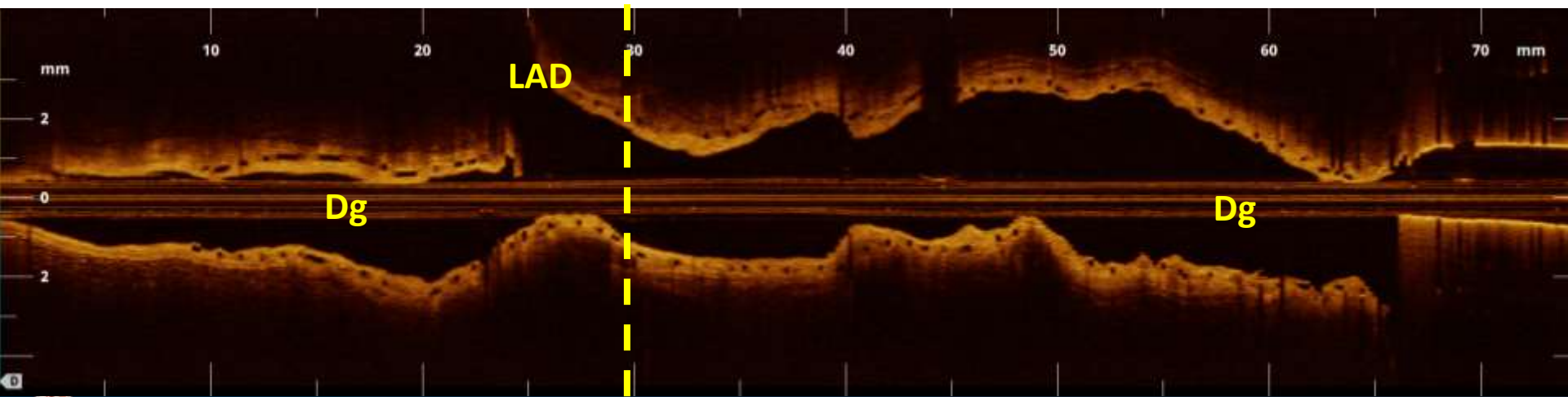
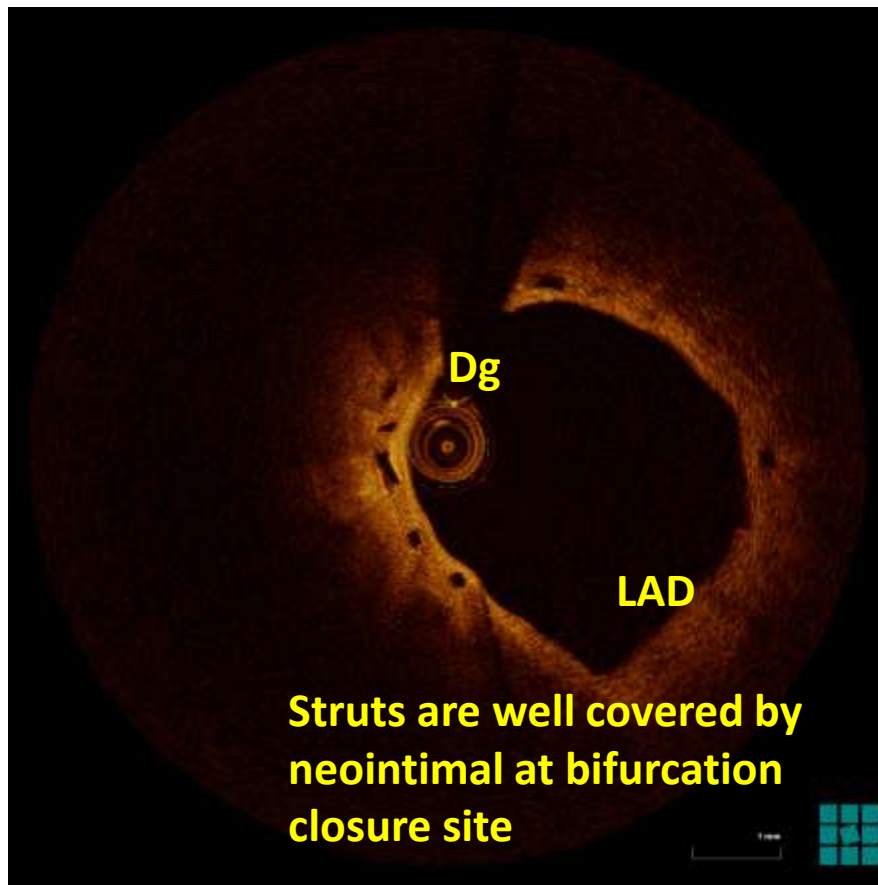
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# Closing remarks

1. Accurate sizing with BRS in bifurcation is needed; OCT/IVUS have a pivotal role in case of doubts or of diameters close to the expansion limits of available BRS size.
2. Calcium can impact on BRS performance. IVUS/OCT evaluation of plaque distribution can guide proper bifurcation PCI strategy.
3. POT is a mandatory step in BRS bifurcation PCI. OCT after POT can guide further necessary steps to optimize the procedure.

