

# Catheter-Induced Spiral Dissection of the Left Main Coronary Artery

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## Background

- Catheter-induced coronary artery dissection is an uncommon complication of PCI, but when it occurs, the outcome can have devastating consequences
- The estimated occurrence is approximately o.oo8 to o.o2% of diagnostic catheterizations and o.o6 to o.o7% of percutaneous coronary interventions

Andrew j, Boyle et all J Invasive Cardiol, 2006



# Case Presentation

A 6o-years-old man

Dyslipidemia

Heavy smoker

Severe chest pain, CCS FC IV

ECG: Anterolateral ischemia

Troponin T increase 0,2 ng/ml

Echocardiography: Normal, EF: 65%,

Dx: ACS, NSTEMI



















- •The LCX was engaged with a 7 Fr BL 3.5 (BL 3.5)
- •6 Fr Judkin's Left 4 (JL 4)
- Wire Runthrough NS cross to LCX
- •predilatation with balloon sapphire 2,0 x 12 mm.





Guiding catheter was inadvertently deep seated into the LM,



severe chest pain

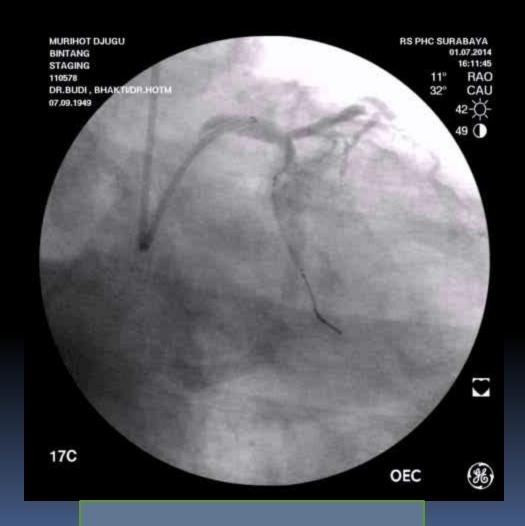


ventricle fibrillation



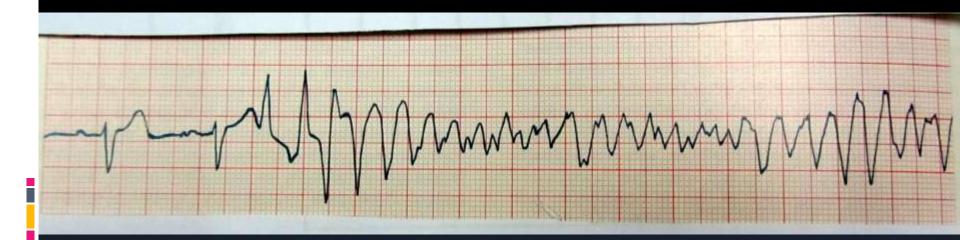
Defibrillation at 360 joules

**CPR** 



Stent Create 2.5 x 25 mm







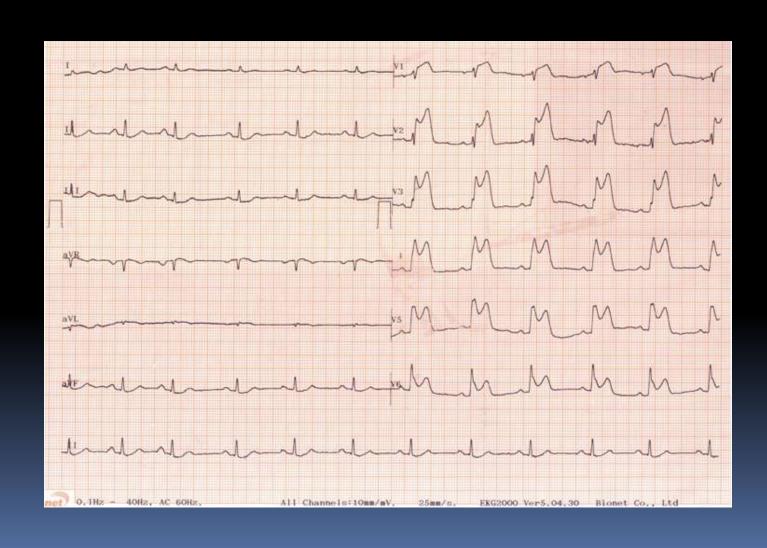
A 6 Fr, BL 3.0 (BL 3.0) guiding catheter we attempted to engage

Fluoroscopic test injection demonstrated a spiral dissection from the ostium left main to mid LAD.

ST-segment elevation in the anterior leads







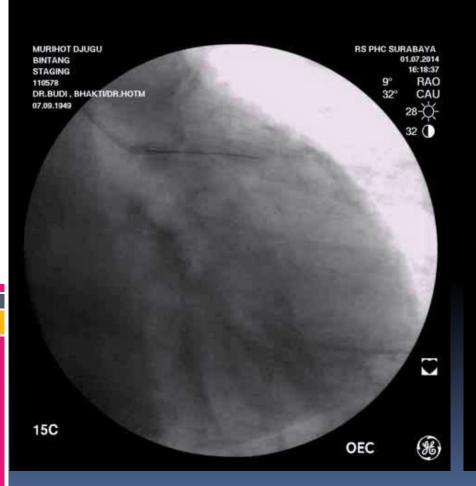


What should I do..?

Be calm

Make immediate decisions.









Stent Azule 4.0 x 28 mm from ostial LM to distal LM

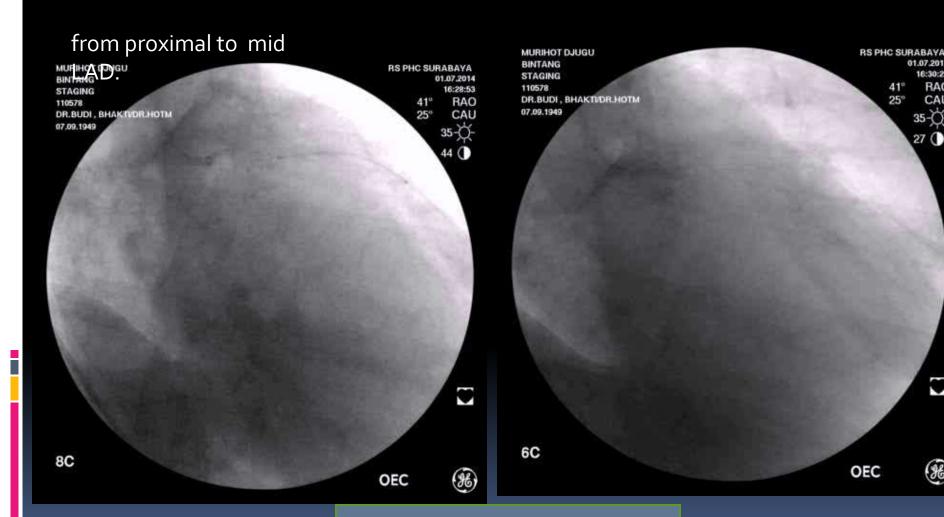






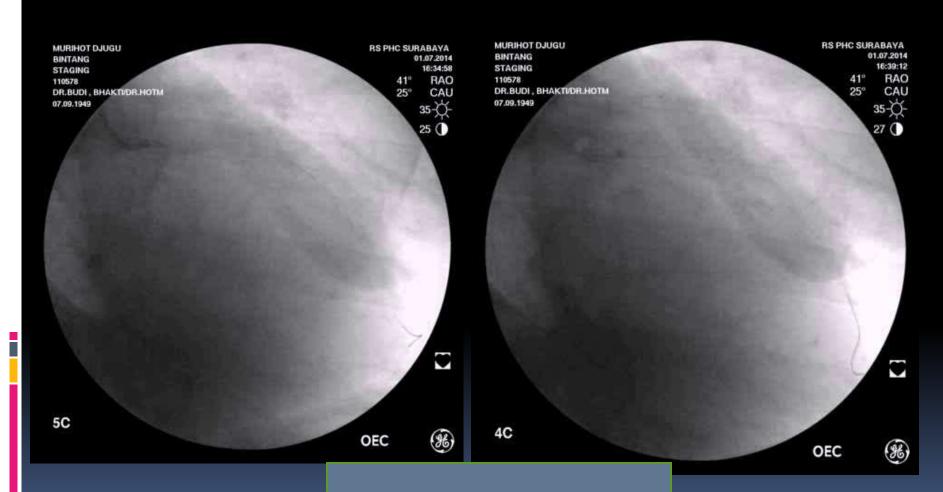
Stent Azule 4.0 x 28 mm





Stent prokinetik 3.5 x 35 mm





Stent prokinetik 3.0 x 25 mm



# Final Result







## **Discussion**

# More factors that have been suggested to increase the likelihood dissection include:

- 1. Catheter manipulations.
- 2. Vigorous contrast injections.
- 3. Deep intubations of the catheter within the coronary artery.
- 4. Variant anatomy of the coronary and ostia.
- 5. Vigorous, deep inspirations.

K.Onsea, Neth Heart J. 2011



#### TAKE HOME MESSAGES

- Left main dissection is a preventable complication with choice of apropriate guide catheter and handling techniques
- If a similar case happens, don't panic.
   Instead, be calm, and then make immediate and correct decisions.