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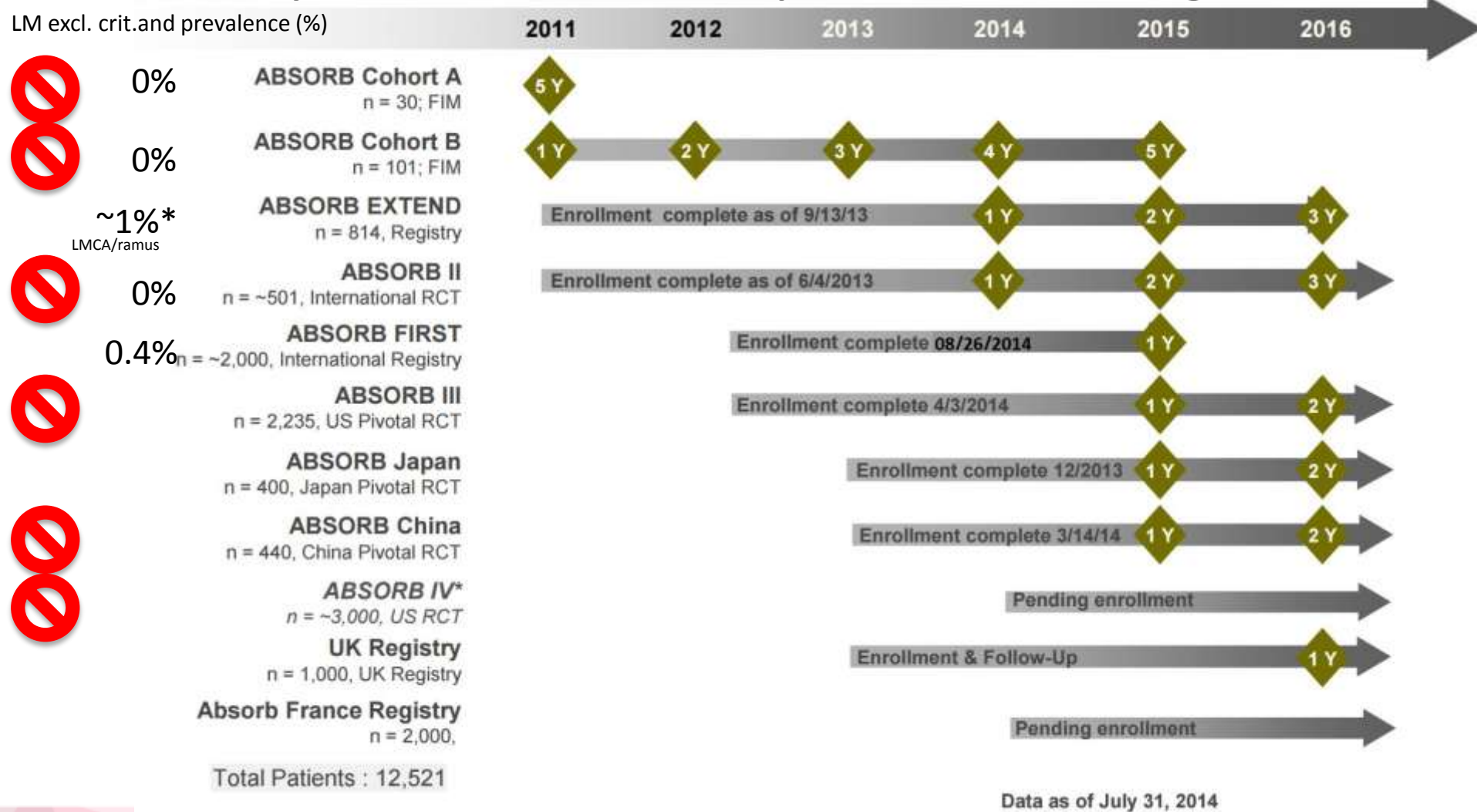
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Percutaneous coronary intervention with everolimus-eluting bioresorbable vascular scaffolds in routine clinical practice: early and midterm outcomes from the European multicentre GHOST-EU registry

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Variable	Patient-based	Lesion-based
Average of scaffolds implanted (n)	1.5±0.9 (1,189)	—
Target vessel		
LMCA	—	1.2% (17/1,427)
LAD	—	46.8% (668/1,426)
LCX	—	24.8% (353/1,426)
RCA	—	25.2% (359/1,425)

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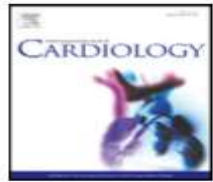
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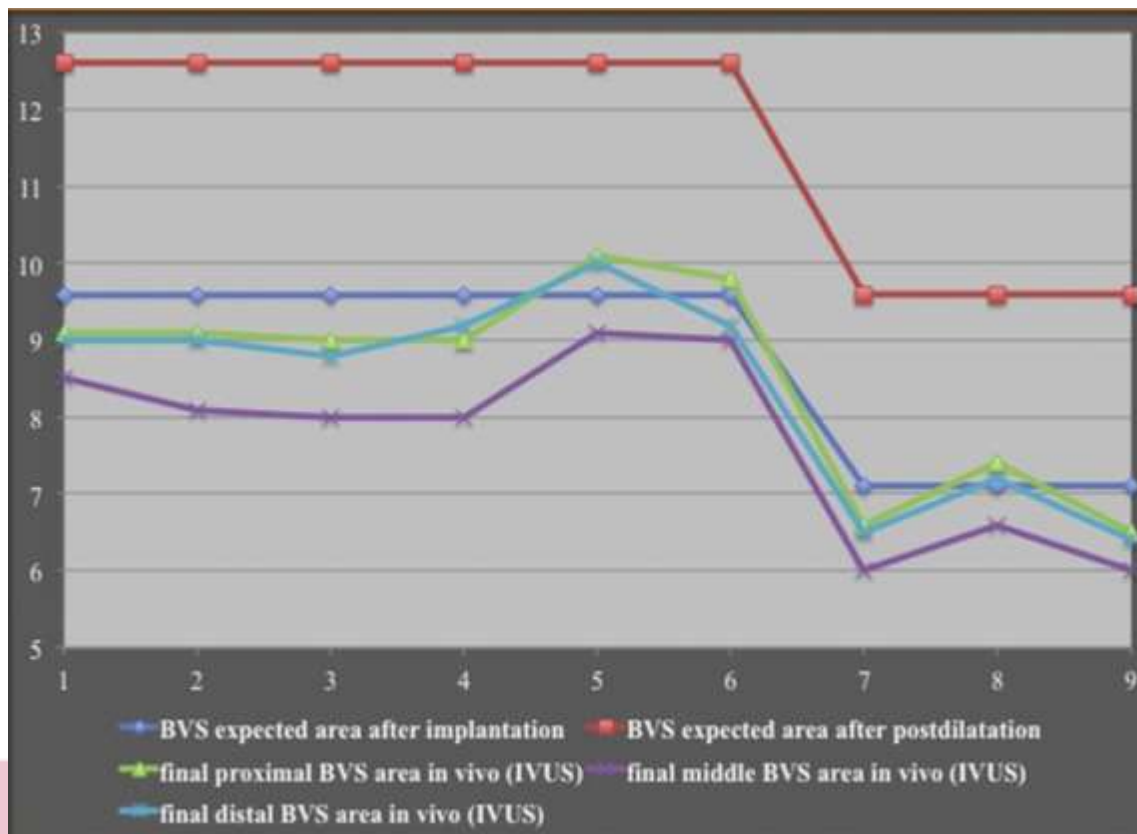


Letter to the Editor

Biovascular scaffolding of distal left main trunk Experience and follow up from the multicenter prospective RAI registry (Registro Italiano Absorb)



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Conclusion

Our study, despite the small sample size (n=9), describes the first experience with IVUS-guided BVS implantation at the distal LM with mid-term follow up. Our preliminary results show a high rate of device underexpansion/recoil, whose clinical meaning should be addressed in a dedicated and adequately powered study.



BVS for left main: Major concerns



- Lack of evidence based data
- Sizing: The largest BVS available is 3.5mm with max postdilatation diameter 4.0mm - too small for some LM?
- Dilatation of struts into side-branch may result in scaffold disruption



Novel technique for left main:



Unprotected LM Intervention by IVUS-guided and OCT-Optimized Combined BVS and DES stents Implantation Using 2- Stent Technique

- Pilot, prospective, consecutive, one center registry analyzing feasibility of IVUS-guided and OCT-optimized two stent technique (Mini-crush or T-stent strategy) using everolimus-eluting platinum chromium coronary stent with bioabsorbable polymer coating (Synergy) in LM/LAD and bioresorbable vascular scaffold (Abbsorb) in Cx for the treatment of distal ULMCA true bifurcation stenosis
- Study population: Elective patients with distal ULMCA true bifurcation stenosis
- Hypothesis:
 - Treatment of distal ULMCA true bifurcation stenosis with everolimus-eluting platinum chromium coronary stent with bioabsorbable polymer coating (Synergy) in LM/LAD and bioresorbable vascular scaffold (Abbsorb) in Cx using two stent techniques (Mini-crush or T-stent strategies) is safe and feasible with similar performance (non-inferior) to historical control with two DES.
 - Acute and long-term outcomes of ULMCA true bifurcation stenosis treatment with combined BVS and DES will be better than two DES treatment in historical control.

Step-by-Step Approach



- $\geq 7F$ guiding catheter
- Wire both branches and predilate if needed
- FFR, Intravascular imaging (IVUS, OCT) for PCI guiding
- Plaque modification with cutting/scoring balloon
- Stenting: new generation DES LM to LAD and BVS LM to LCX
- Optimization:
 - Final kissing
 - Proximal optimisation technique (POT)
- Intravascular imaging (IVUS, OCT) for evaluation of stent expansion



First Results

1 year follow-up, N=25 (%)	
Death, n (%)	0 (0)
Cardiac death, n (%)	0 (0)
QMI, n (%)	0 (0)
TVR, n (%)	4 (16)
TLR, n (%)	3 (12)
ST, n (%)	0 (0)
MACE, n (%)	4 (16)

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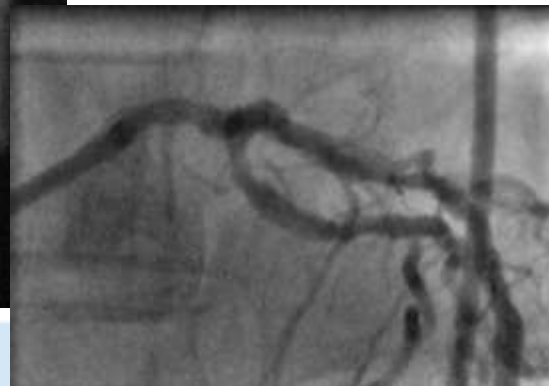
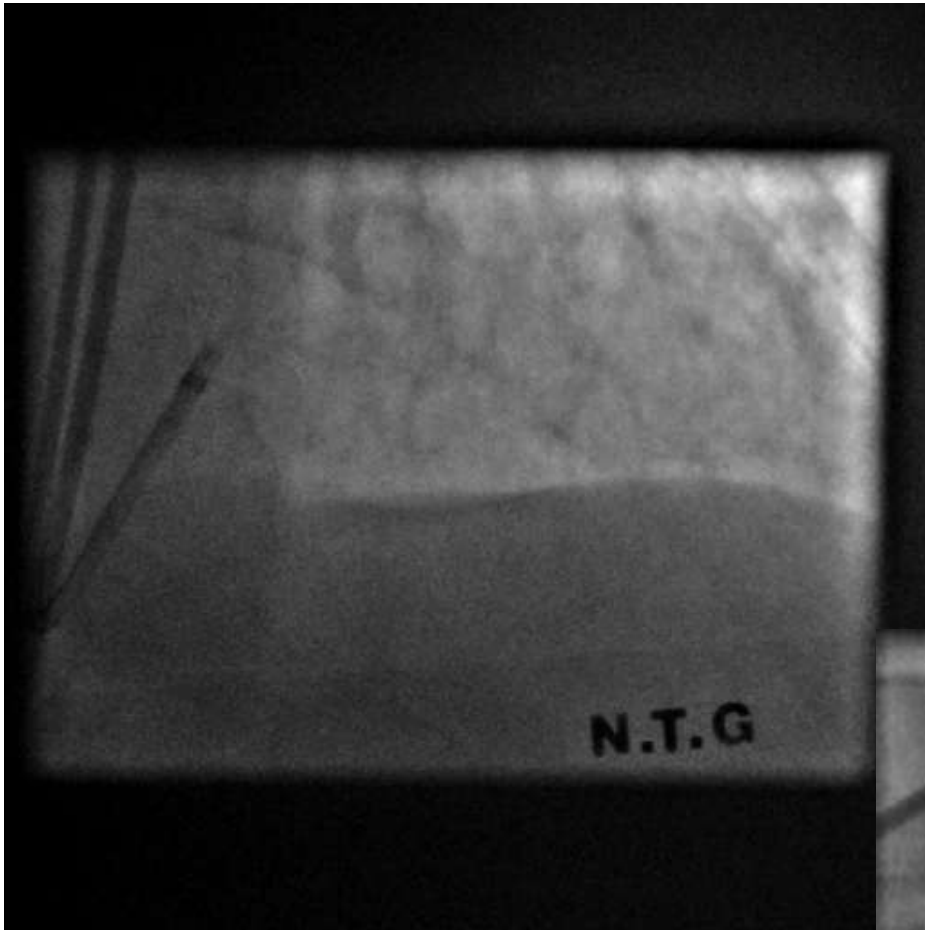
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LM distal bifurcation 75% stenosis to LAD and LCX.

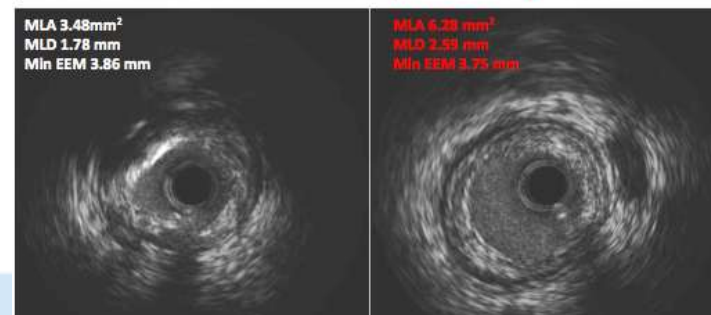
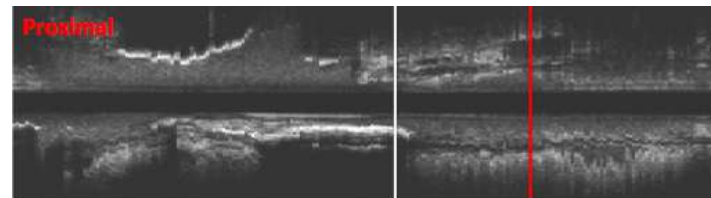
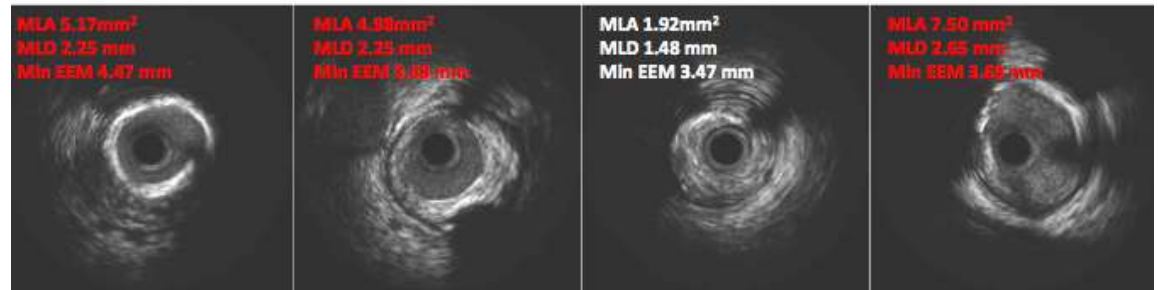
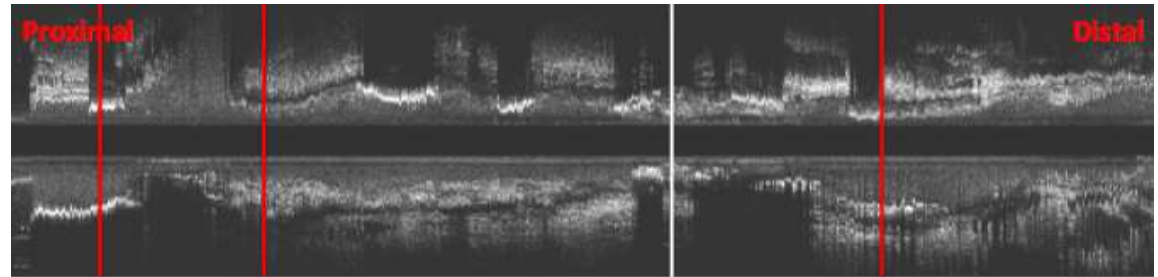
RCA chronic total occlusion



- Female 66 year old
- Clinical presentation: Stable angina class III, previous myocardial infarction, permanent atrial fibrillation
- Risk factors: Dyslipidemia, hypertension



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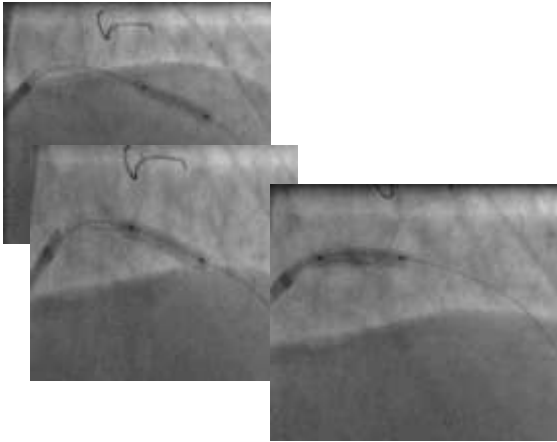


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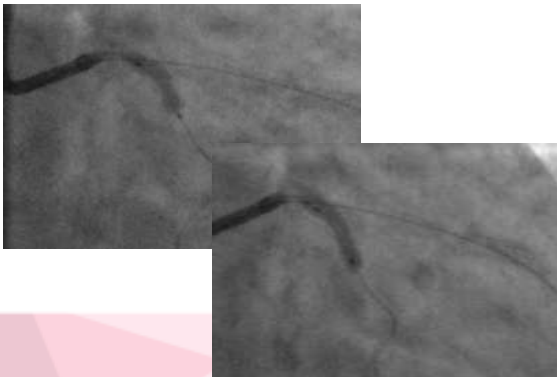


Pretreatment

Predilatation of LM/LAD with cutting balloon 3.5 x 15 mm 5, 6, 7 bar



Predilatation of LCX with Regular balloon 3.0 x 12 mm 6, 7 bar



Stenting

Synergy 3.5 x 28 mm,
9 bar (LAD)

Absorb 3.0 x 18 mm,
13 bar (LCX)

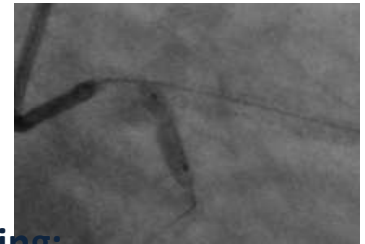
Synergy 4.0 x 20 mm,
11 bar (LM)

Postdilatation

LAD: NC Balloon 3.5 x 15 mm,
17 bar



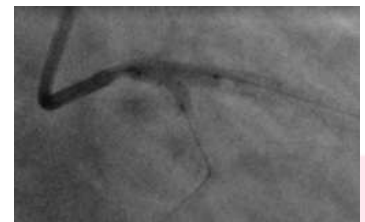
LCX: NC Balloon 3.5 x
15 mm, 15 bar



Kissing:

LAD 3.5 x 15 mm, 10 bar

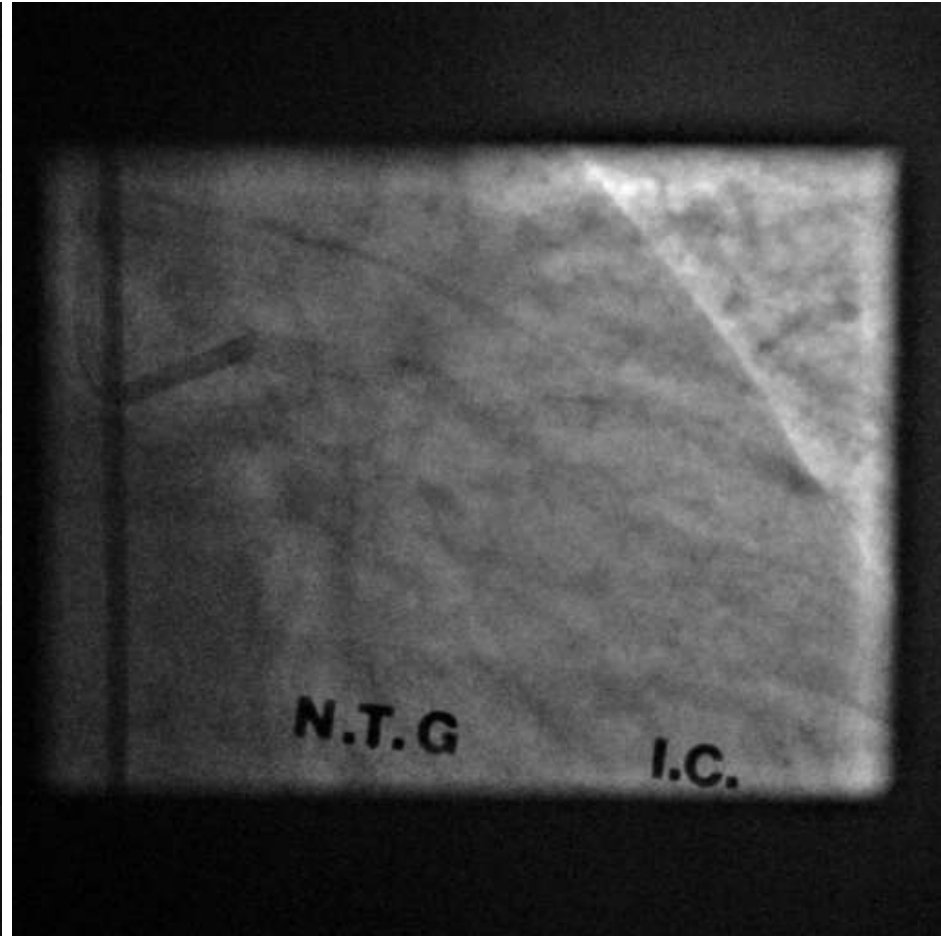
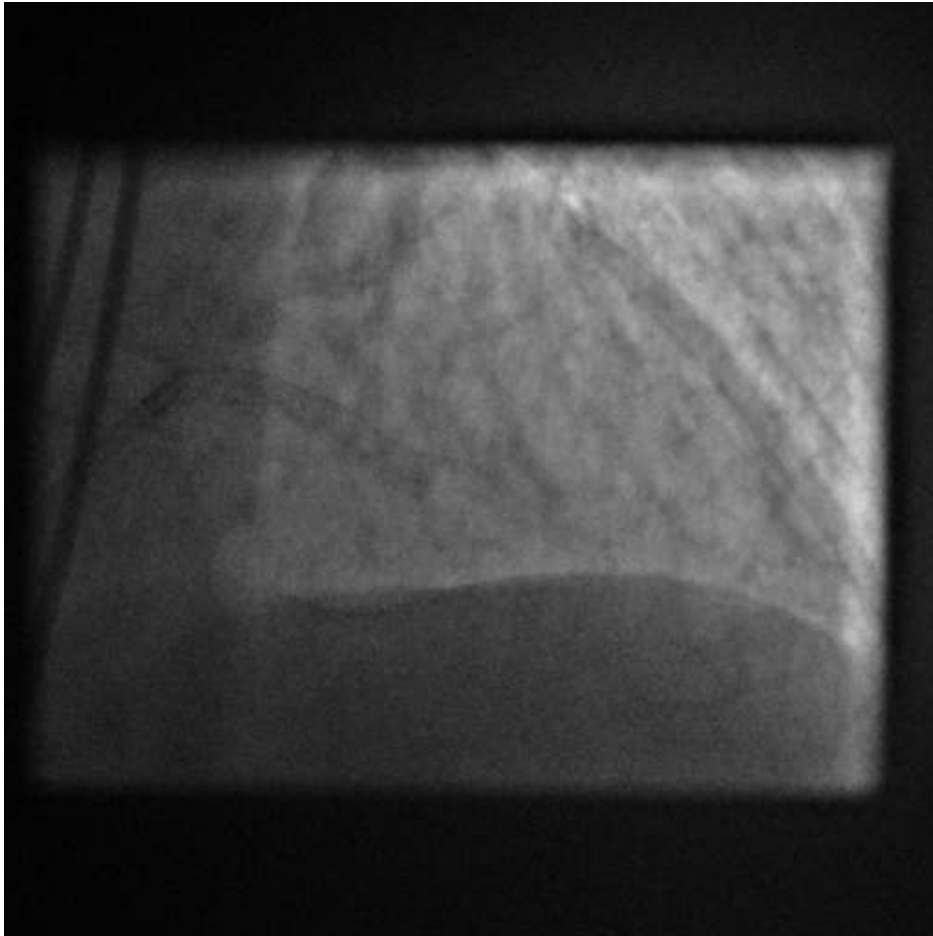
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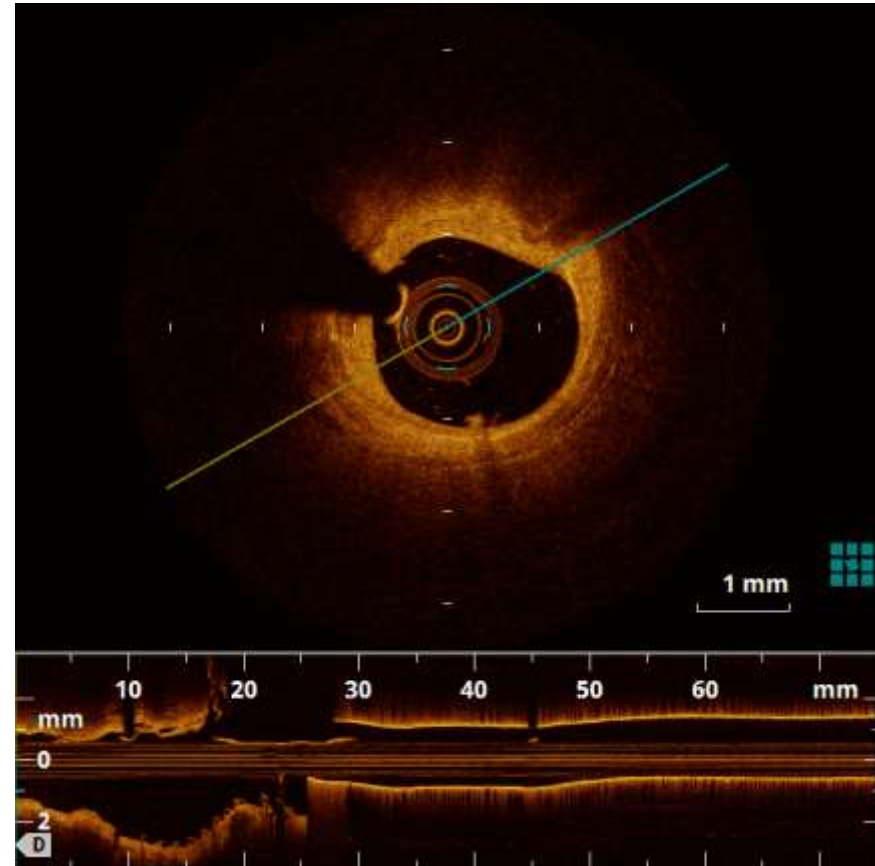
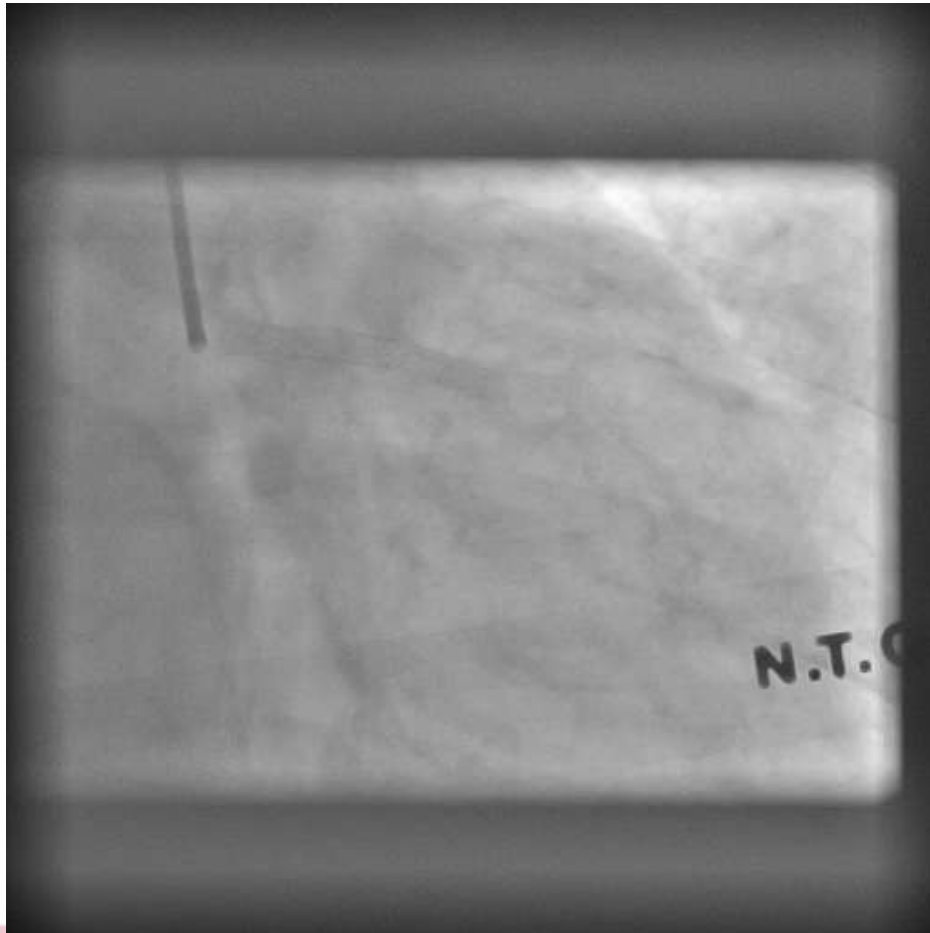
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Follow-up



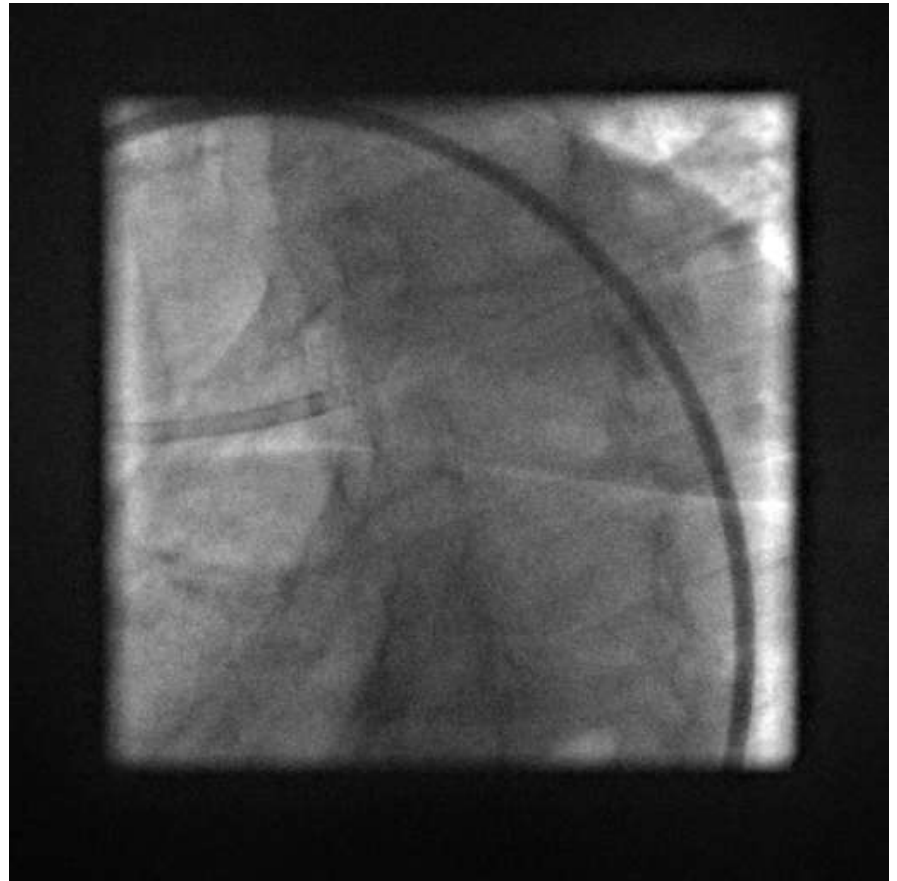
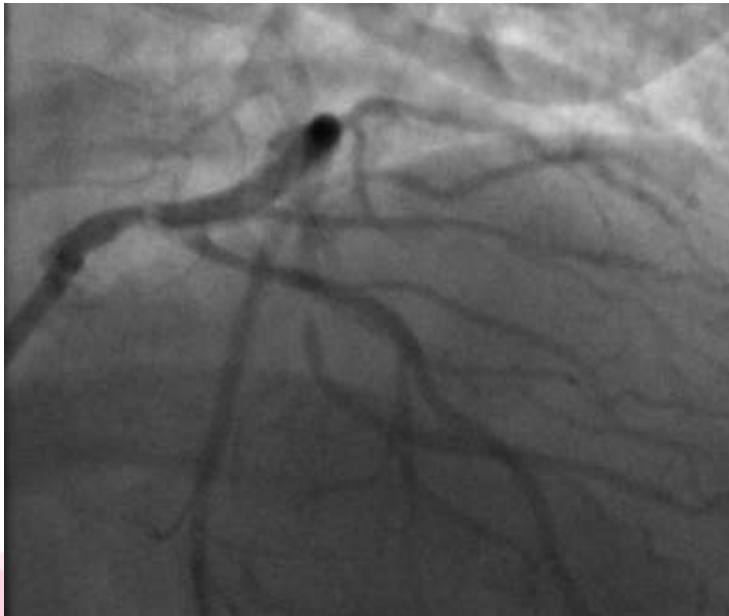
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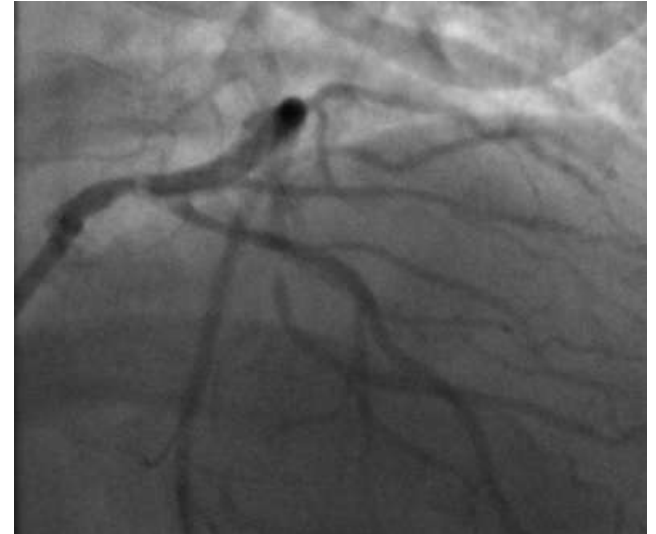
- 47 years old female
- Clinical diagnosis: Stable angina II, previous PCI RCA with DES
- Risk factors: smoker, hypertension, dyslipidemia, insulin dependent diabetes
- Echo: 60%



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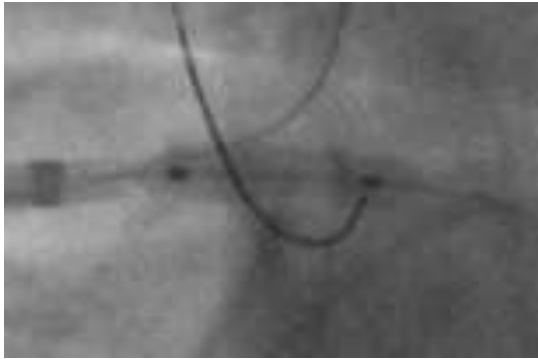
- Femoral approach
- 6F EBU 3.75guiding catheter
- Angiographic guidance
- Wire both branches
- Plaque modification with cutting balloon
- BVS from LM to LAD across LCX
- NC postdilatation



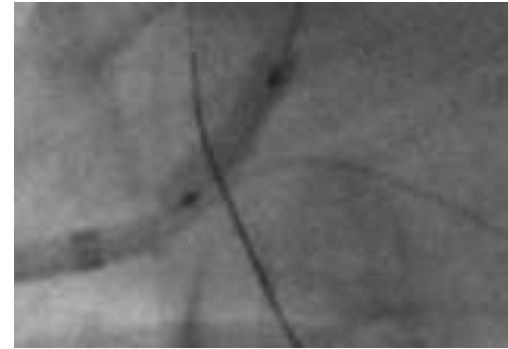
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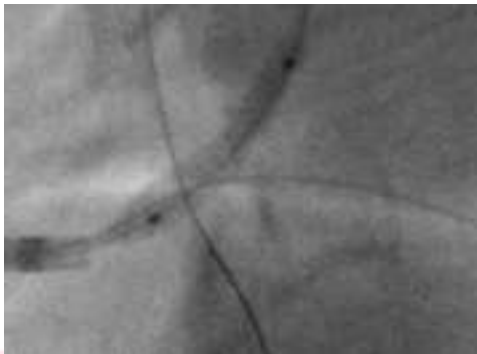
1. LM-LCX: Flextome Cutting balloon
3.5x10 mm 11 atm



2. LM-LAD: Flextome Cutting balloon
3.5x10 mm 11 atm



3. LM-LAD: BVS 3.5x18 mm 9 atm



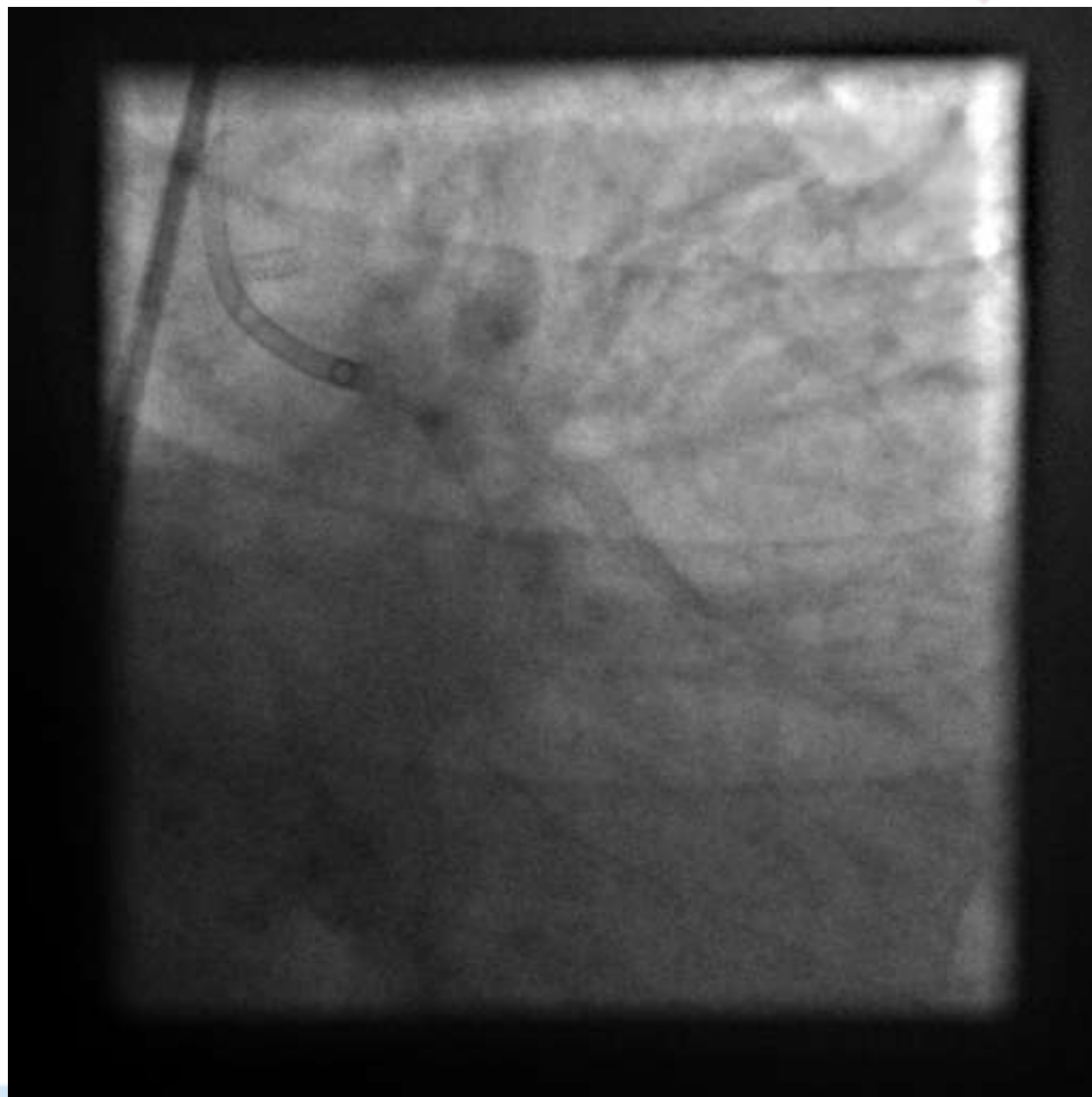
4. LM-LAD: NC Quantum balloon
4.0x8 mm 21 atm



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Final result



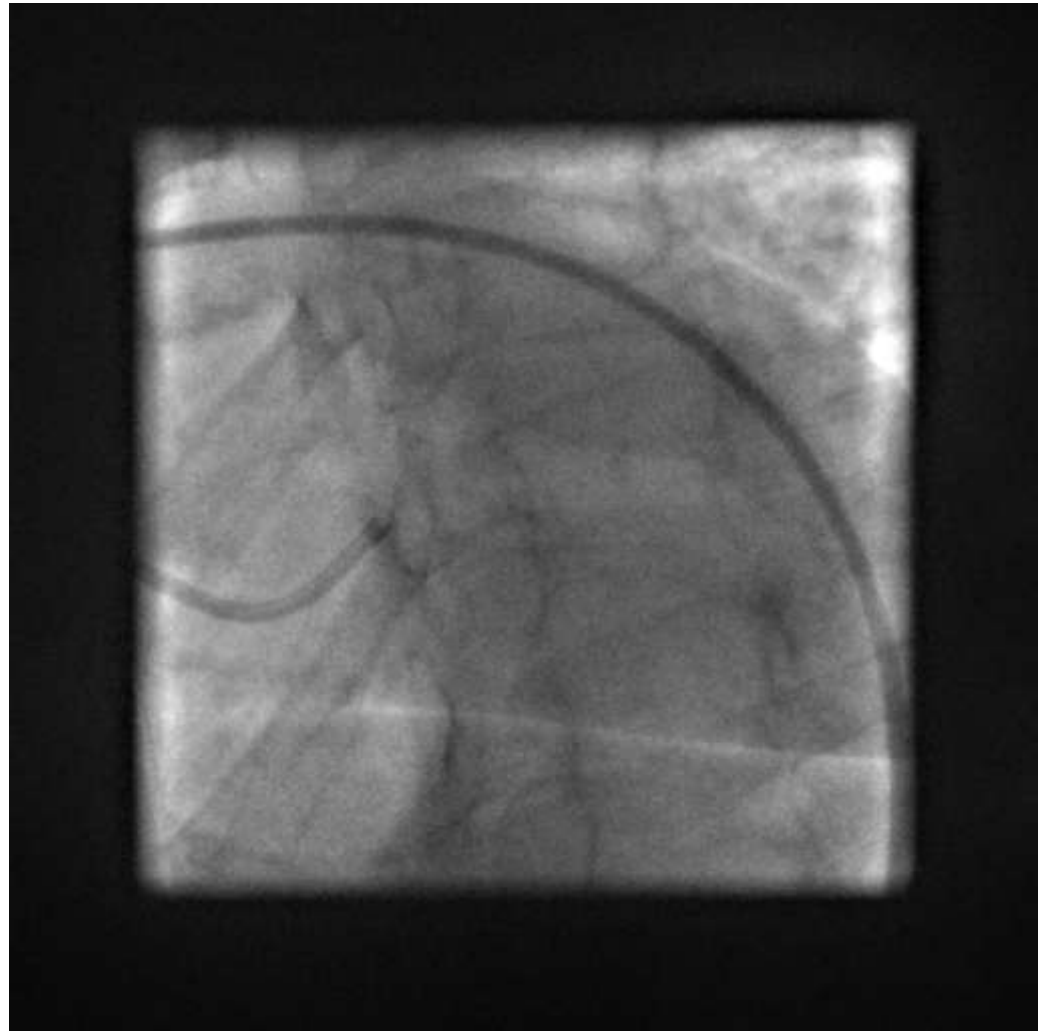
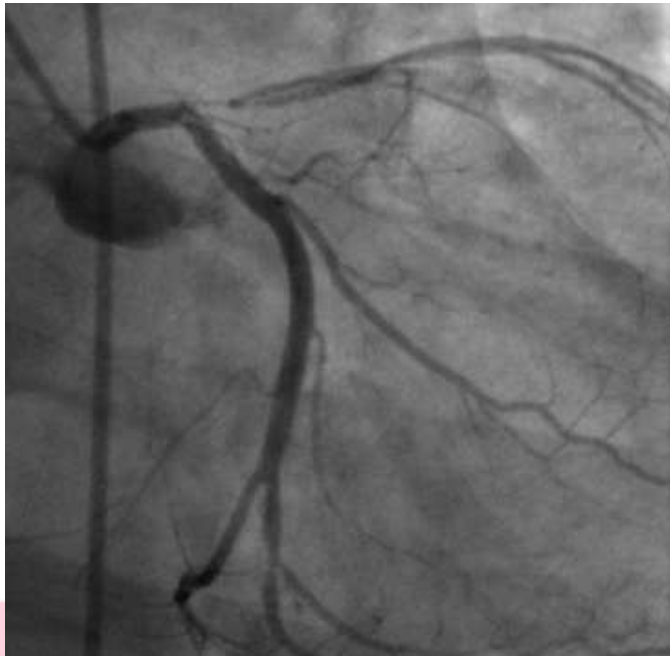
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1 Year follow-up

Clinical diagnosis:

**Stable angina, class III
(patient was symptom
free for 6 months after
PCI)**

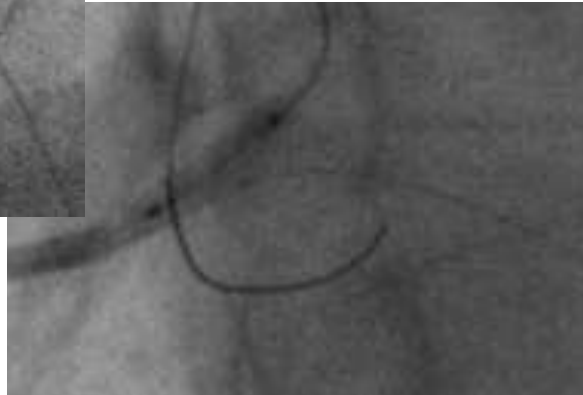
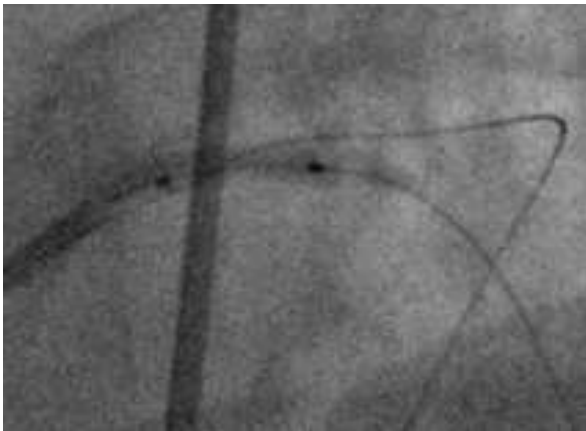


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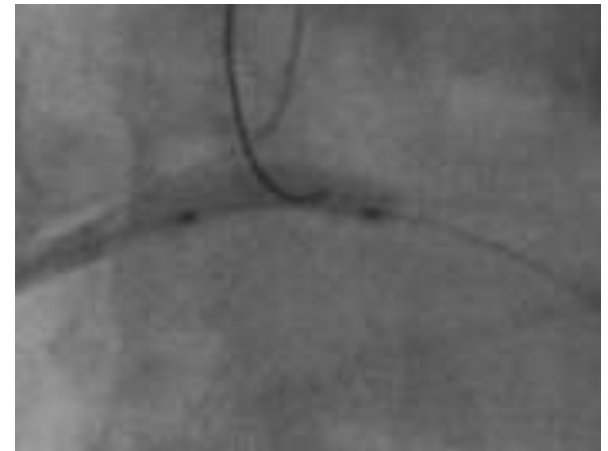


TLR – Angiographic guidance

1. **Flextome Cutting
balloon LM-LAD
2.75x10 mm 11 atm**

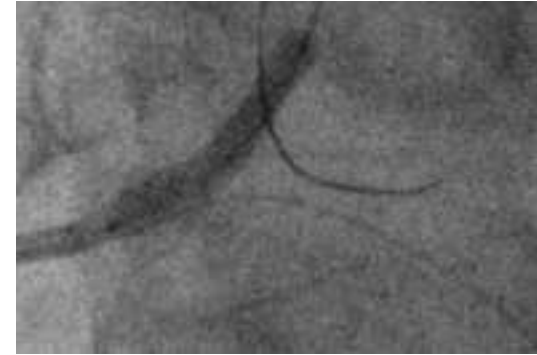


2. **SC balloon LM-LCX
2.5x12 mm 17 atm**

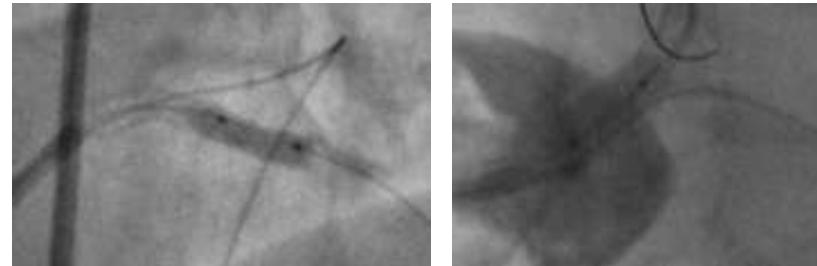


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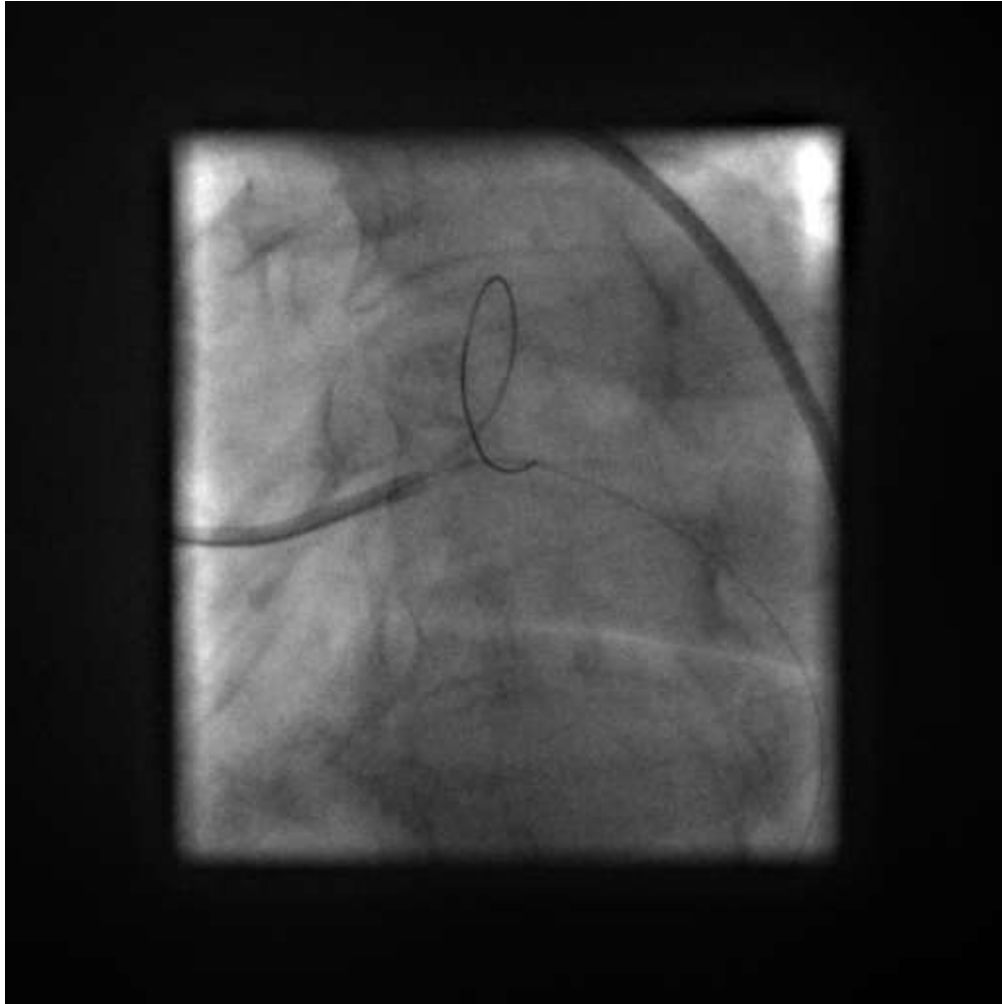
4. LM-LAD: EES 4.0x24 mm 10 atm



5. LM-LAD: NC balloon 4.5x8 mm 19 atm



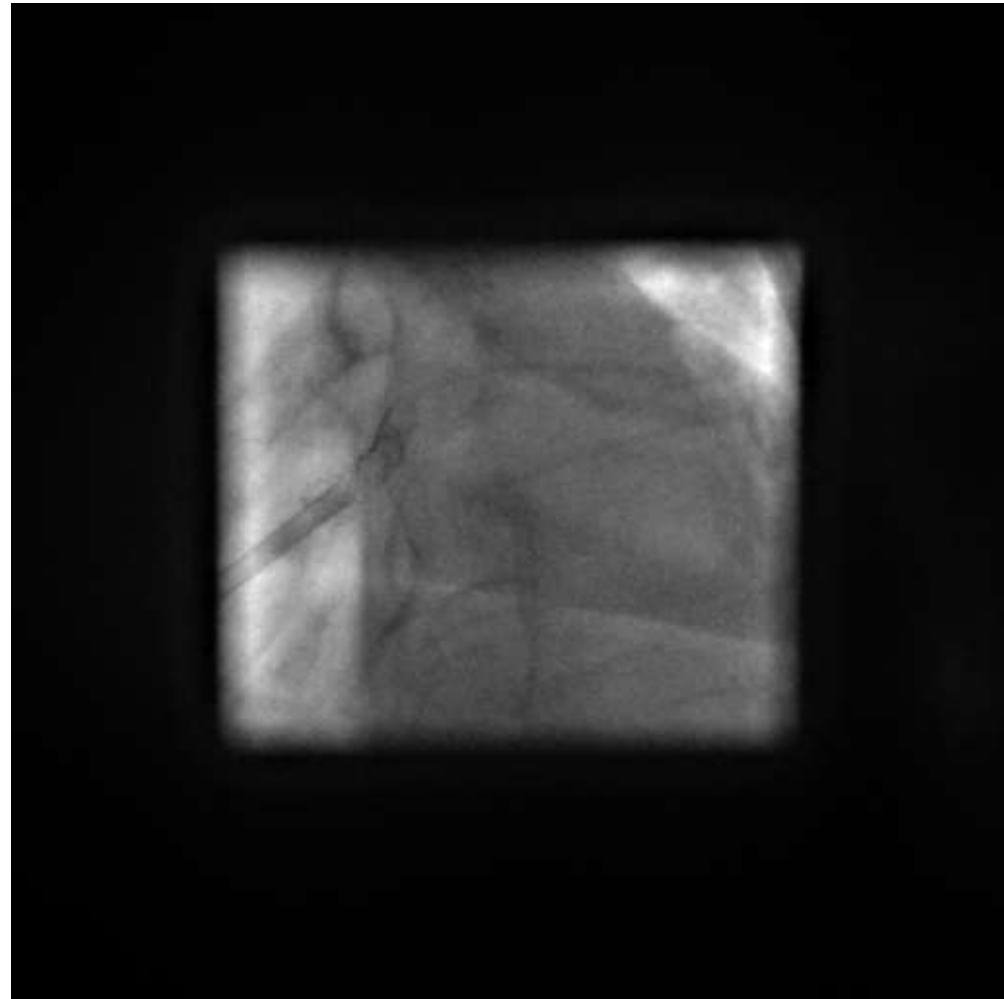
6. Open struts to LCX: SC balloon 3.0x12 mm 17 atm



Case Example #2: TLR



Final result after TLR





BVS for left main?



- No: Off-label indication
- Yes: It can be recommended after plaque pretreatment with intravascular guidance and optimization
- Maybe: Evidence based data is needed