

Who is the bad apple?

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63 y/o man with progressive
effort angina in the recent month

Patient Profile

- Progressive angina (CCS class III~IV) under optimal medical therapy.
- CAD risk factor: age, current smoker, Hyperlipidemia.
- Arrange stress test the next week.

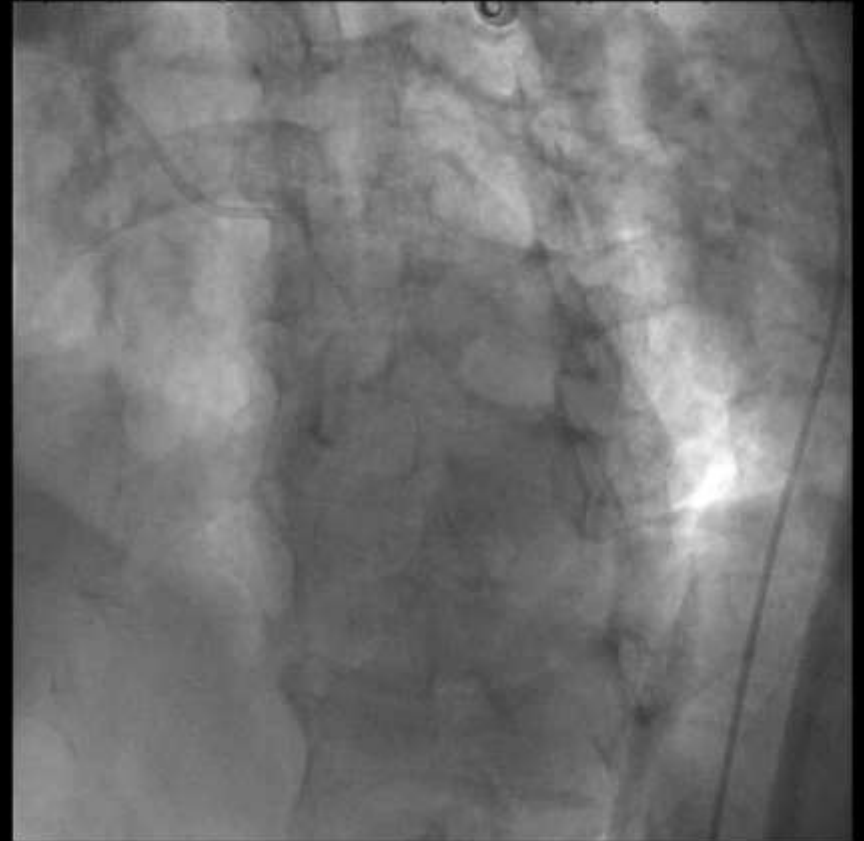
However, he cannot tolerate stress test due to severe angina !

CAG

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LM bifurcation lesion ?

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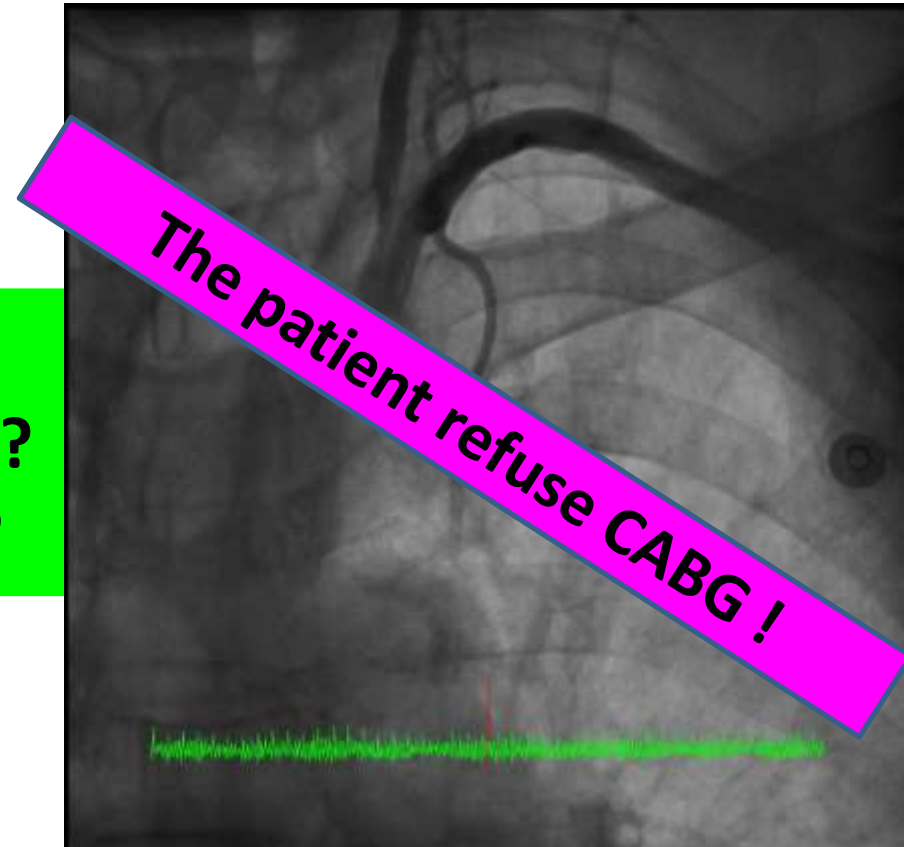
What would you do ?

Medical therapy already failed !

CABG ?

PCI? But How?

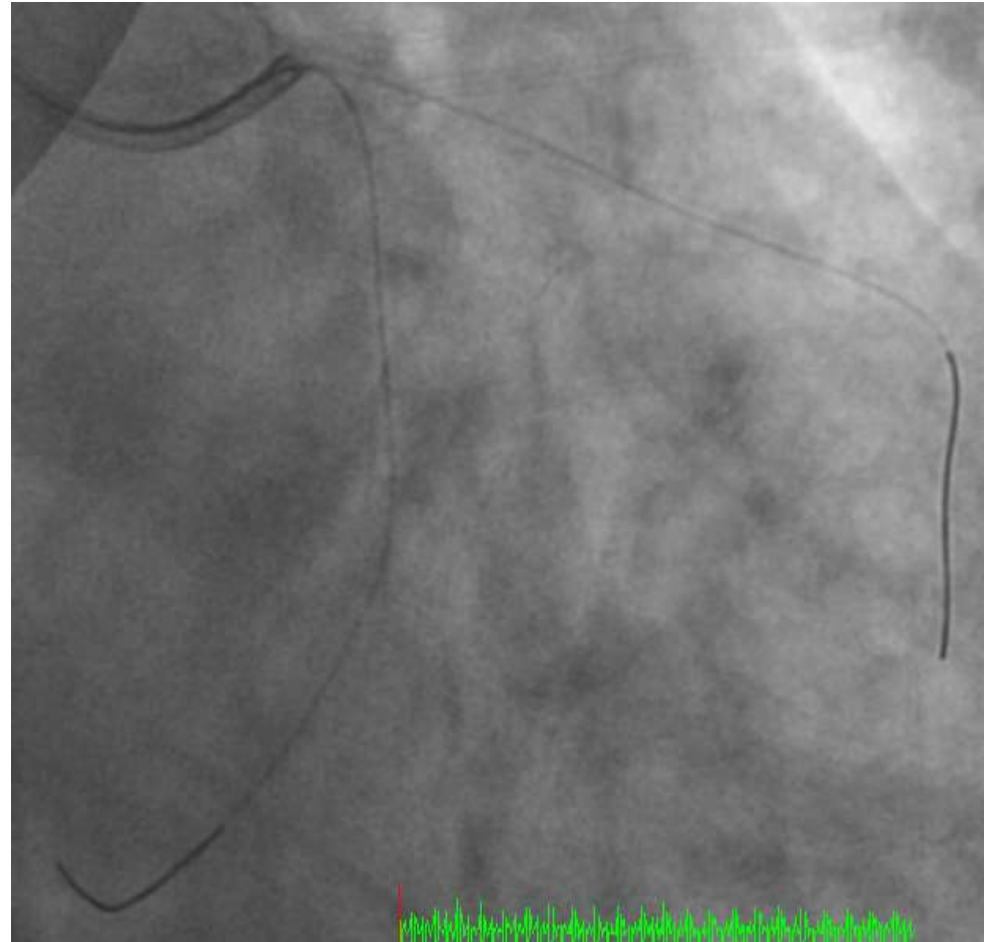
1. Only the 3 critical lesions?
2. To treat or not to treat the LM?
3. LM with or without LAD/LCX ?



We decided to choose PCI

Check IVUS to help decision making

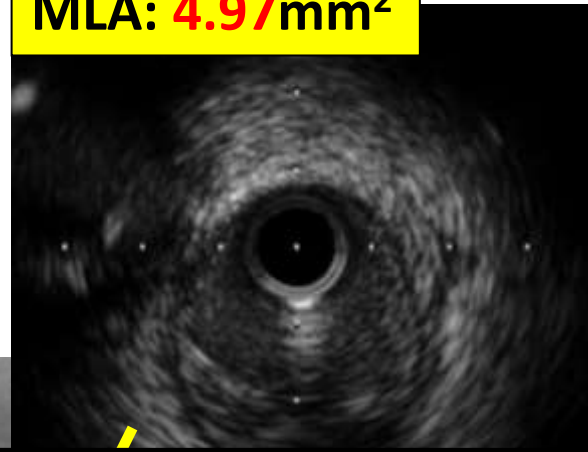
- 6Fr EBU 3.5
- Runthrough EF in LAD
- Sion blue in LCX



LM bifurcation

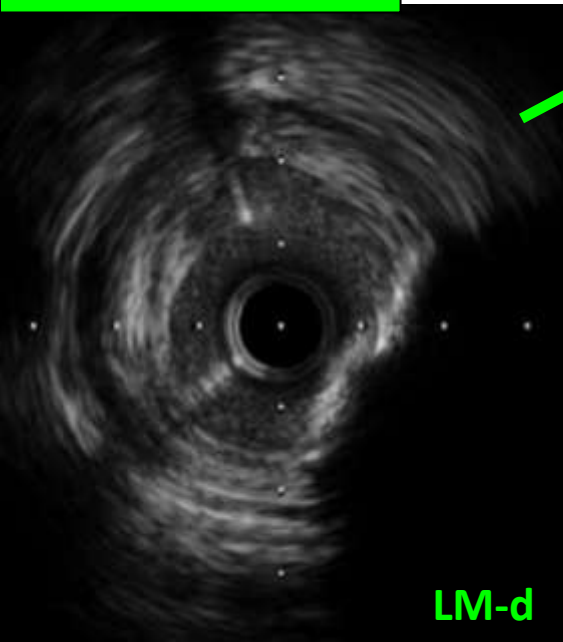
Medina 1,1,1 lesion

MLA: 4.97mm²



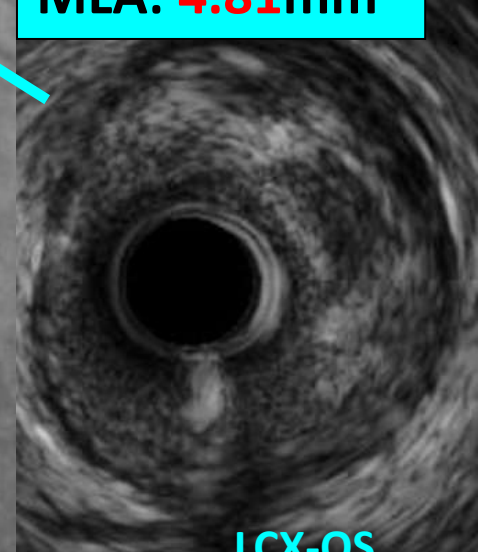
All of the MLA > 4.8 mm²!!!

MLA: 5.48mm²



LM-d

MLA: 4.81mm²

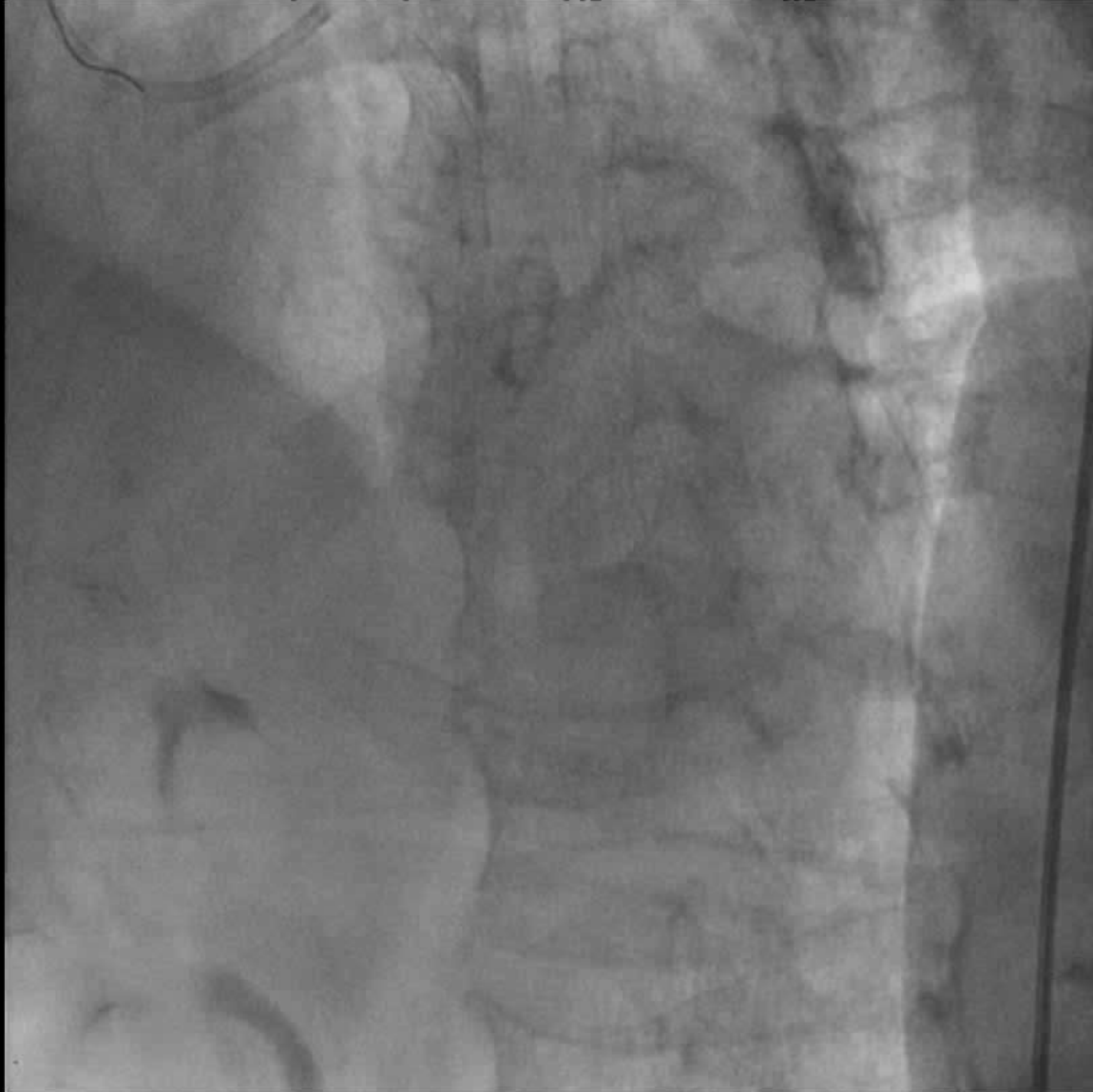


LCX-OS

DES 2.75x26 mm in LCX; 2DES 3.0x38, 3.5x30 mm in LAD

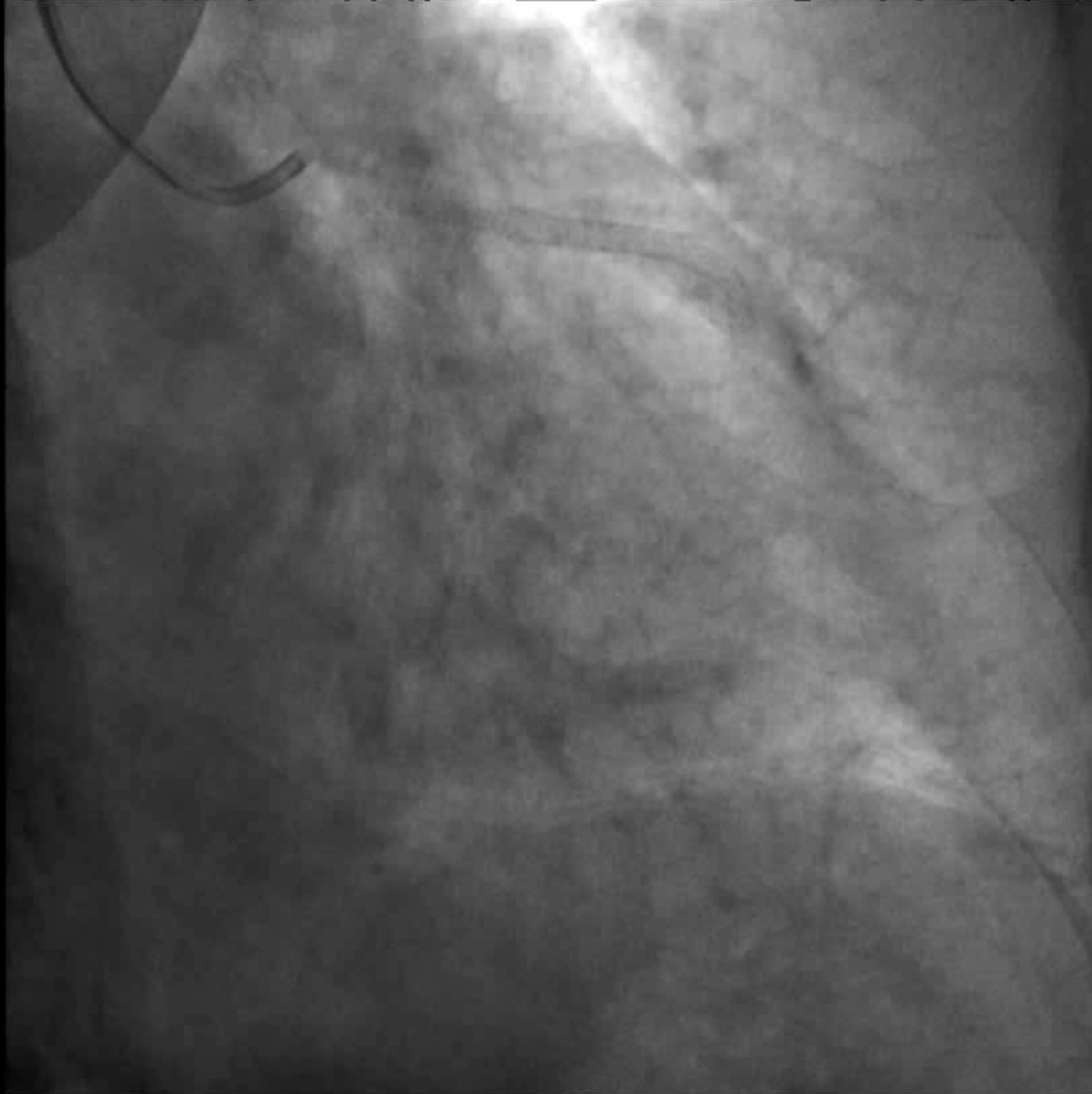
CAG after IVUS recheck

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Final CAG

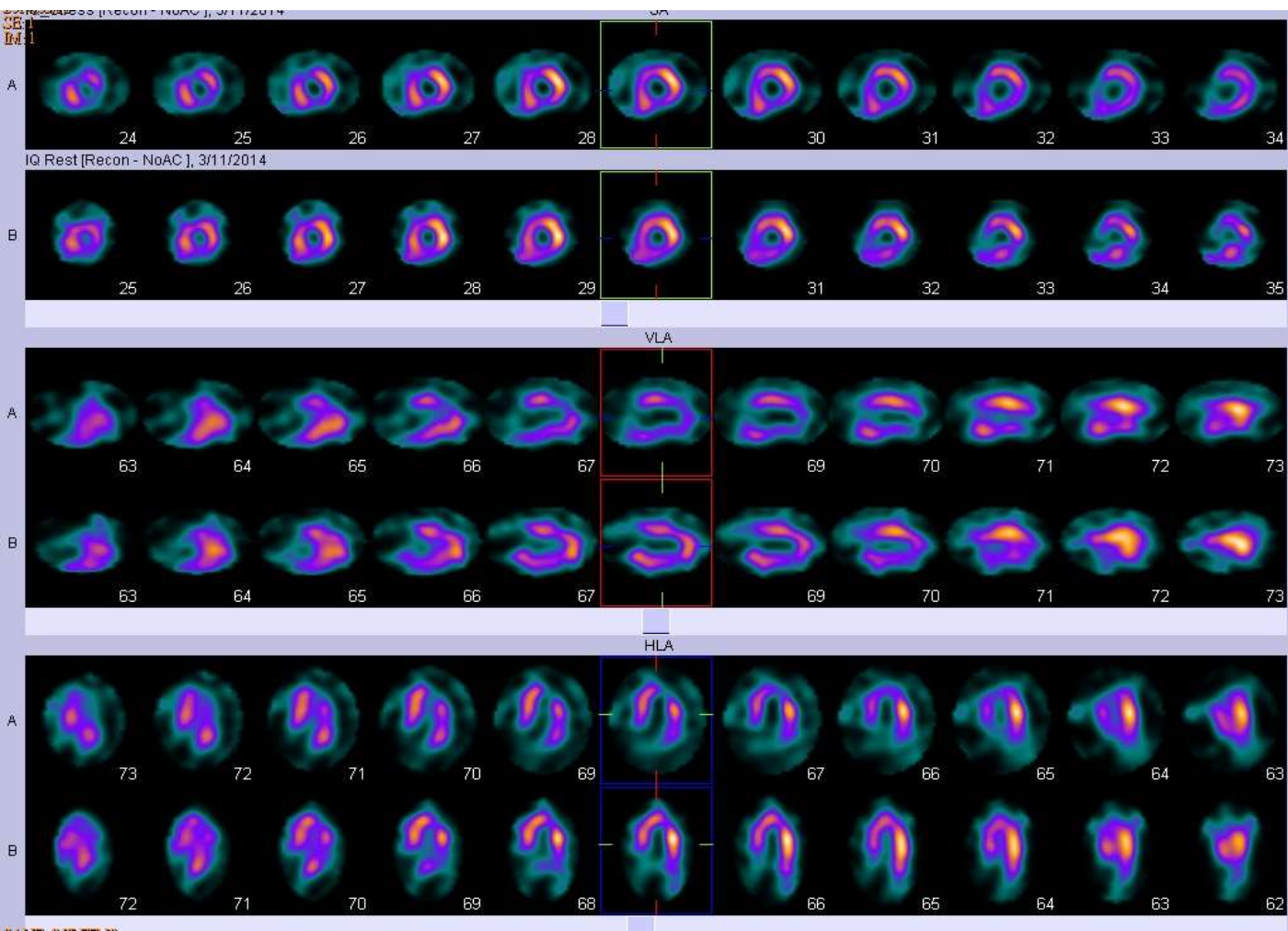
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3 months later...

Partial improvement of angina (CCS class II~III) ...

Perfusion scan (+) in apical, lateral & inferior wall



RCA & LCA were almost the same



LM Bifurcation lesion still remain

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LM to LAD ?

OR LM to

OR B

FFR is the gold standard !
But we'll still need IVUS for PCI

perfusion scan?

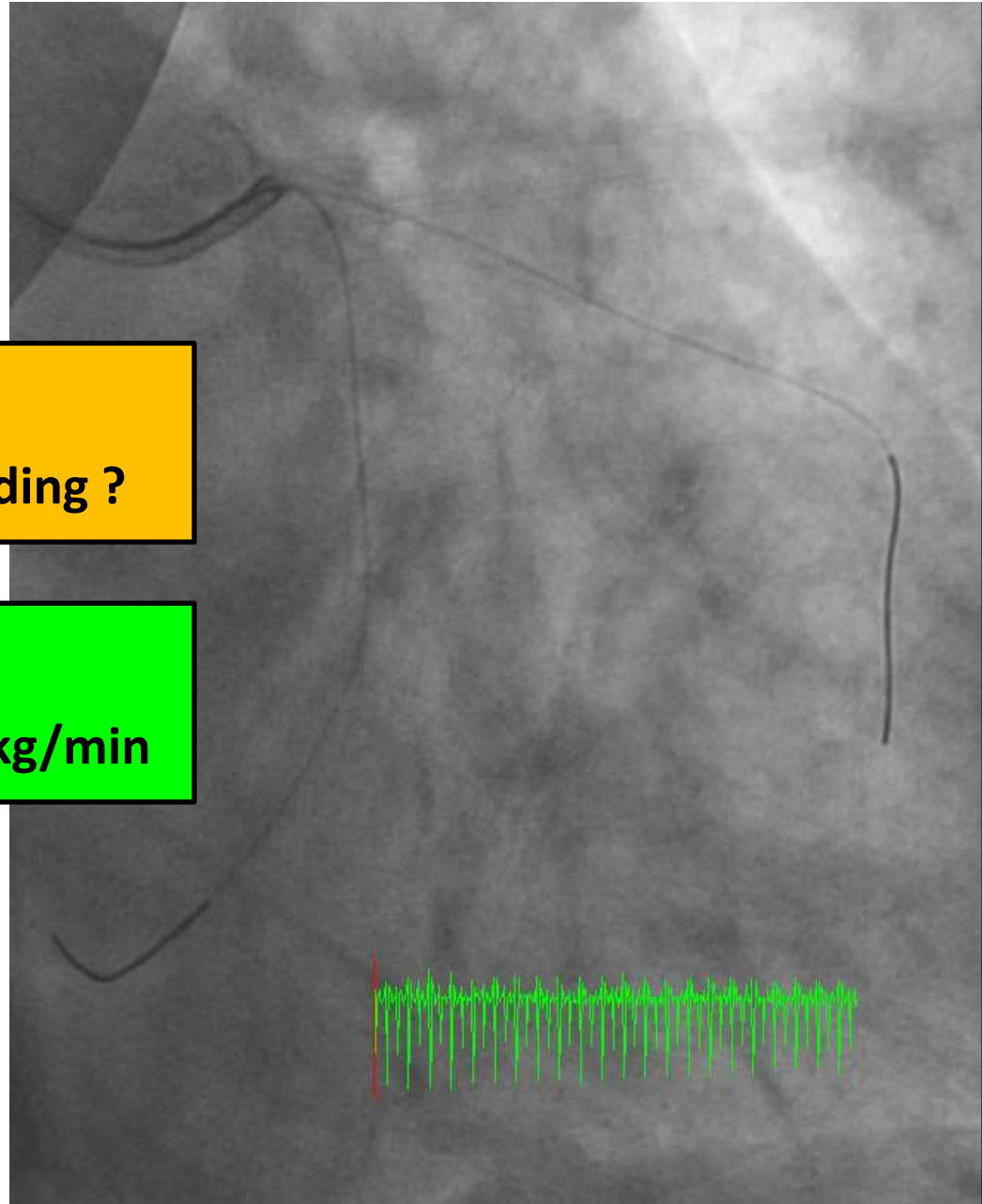
- 6Fr BL 3.5 with side hole
- Runthrough EF in LAD
- Sion blue in LCX

Check IVUS & MLA

Trauma due to previous PCI guiding ?

Check FFR

Continues IV adenosine 140 ug/kg/min



LCX

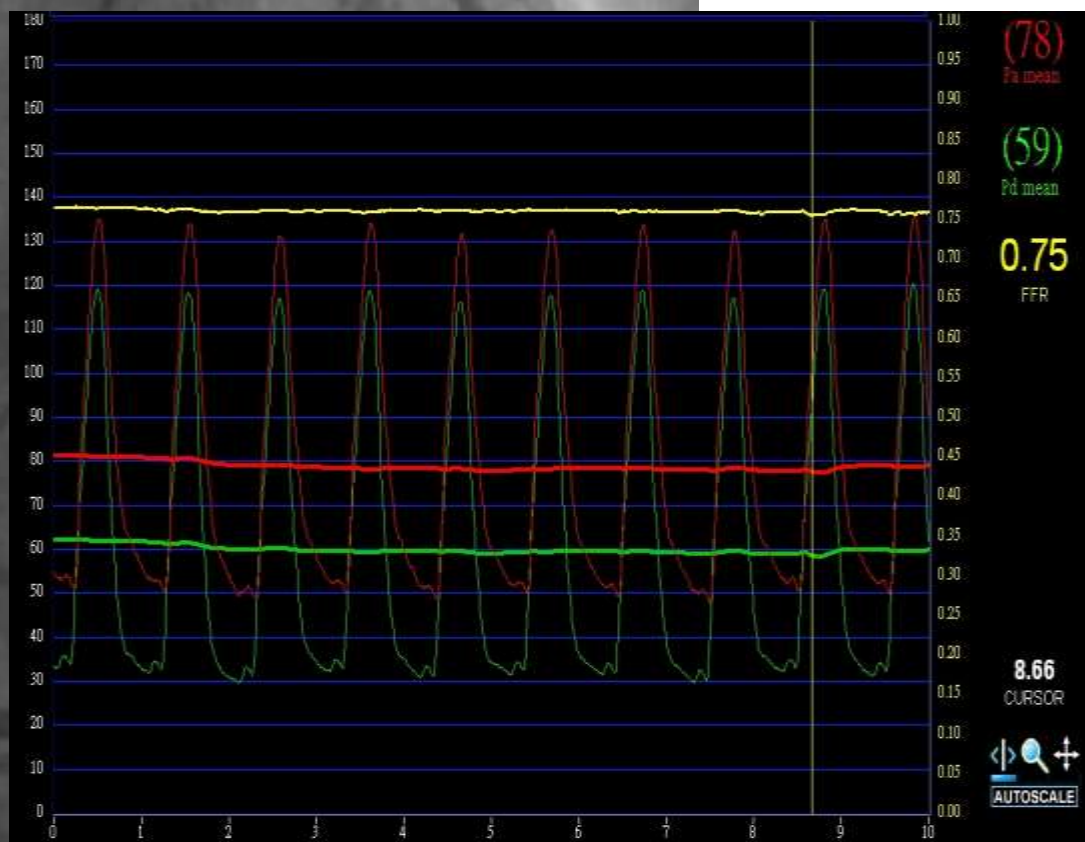
MLA: 5.46mm²

LM

MLA: 4.78mm²

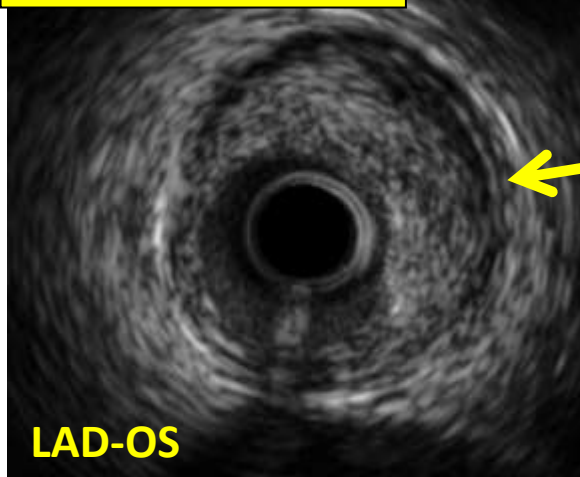
LCX-OS

LCX

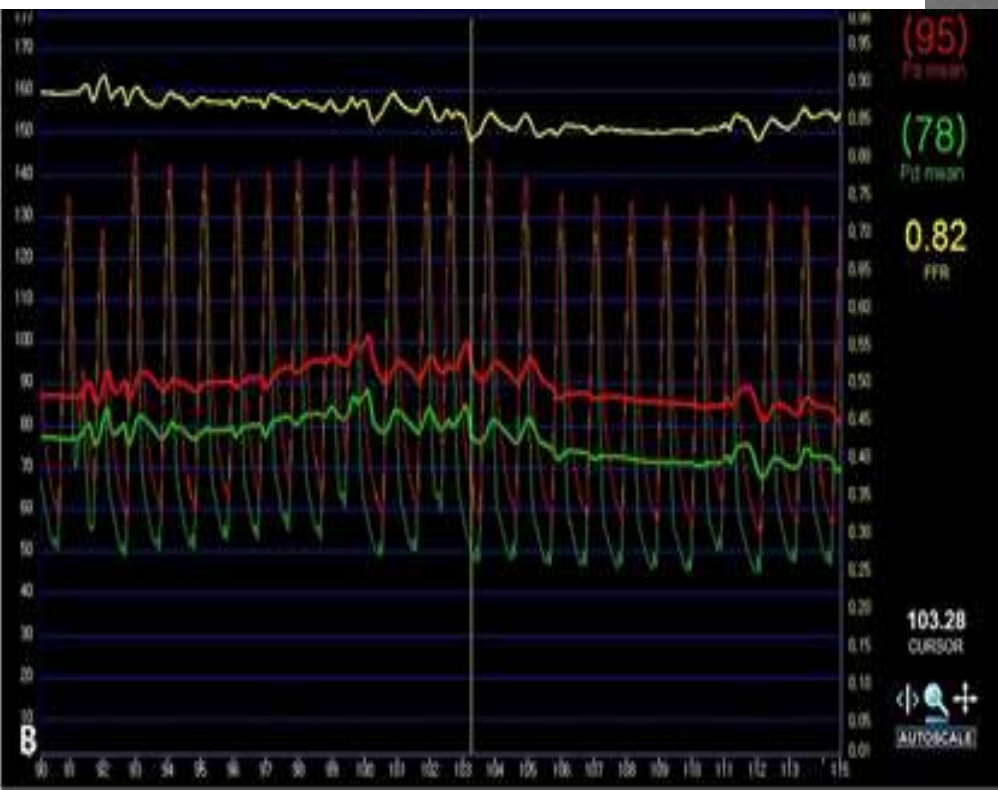
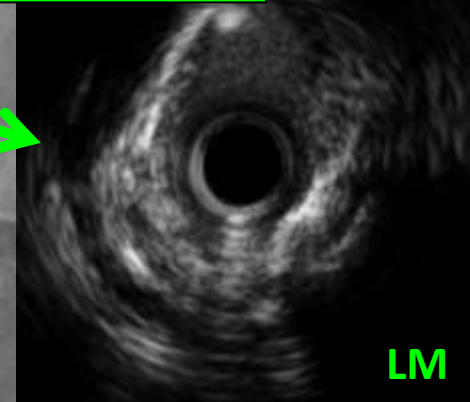


LAD

MLA: 4.95mm²



MLA: 5.46mm²



The IVUS told us...

- **Good news**
 - The LAD & LCX Stents still remains well.
- **Bad news**
 - Plaque extended from LM to LAD & LCX

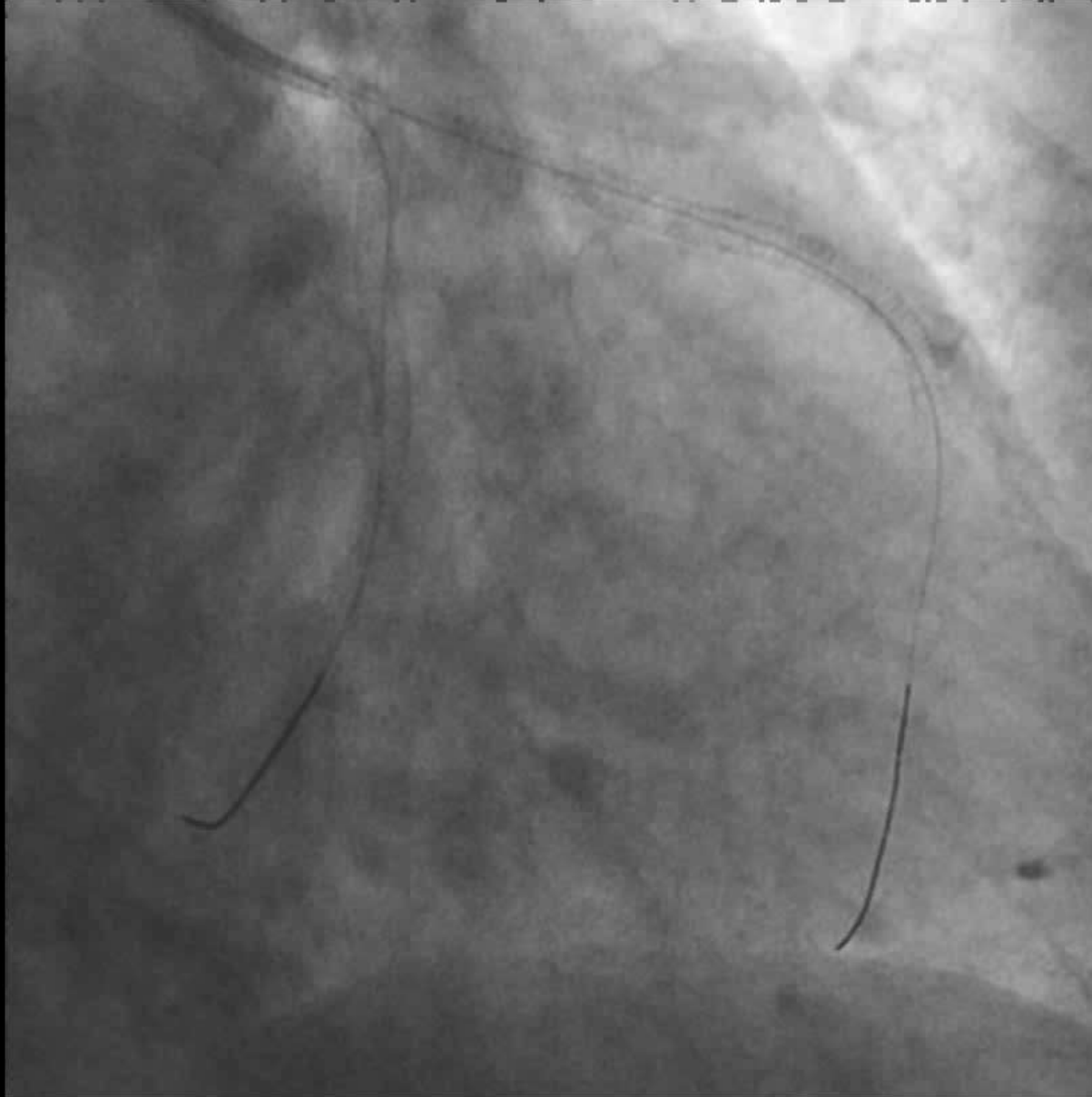
• The FFR told us...

LAD FFR > 0.8 → Observation first

LCX FFR < 0.8 → LCX might be the Bad apple !

DES: LM - LCX 3.0*34mm

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Recheck FFR

LCX

What happened ?
We have to treat LAD !

ribution ?

shift

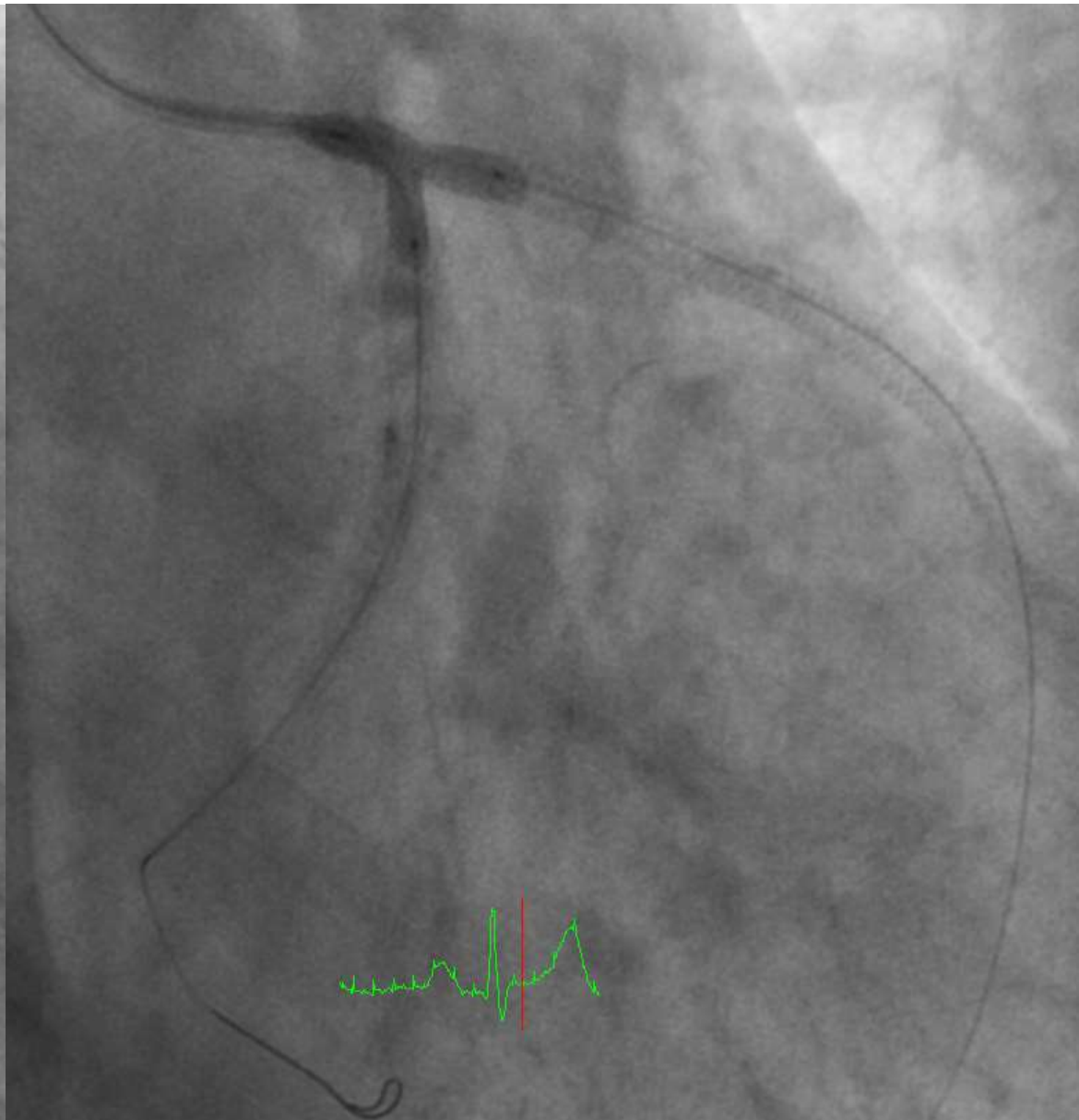
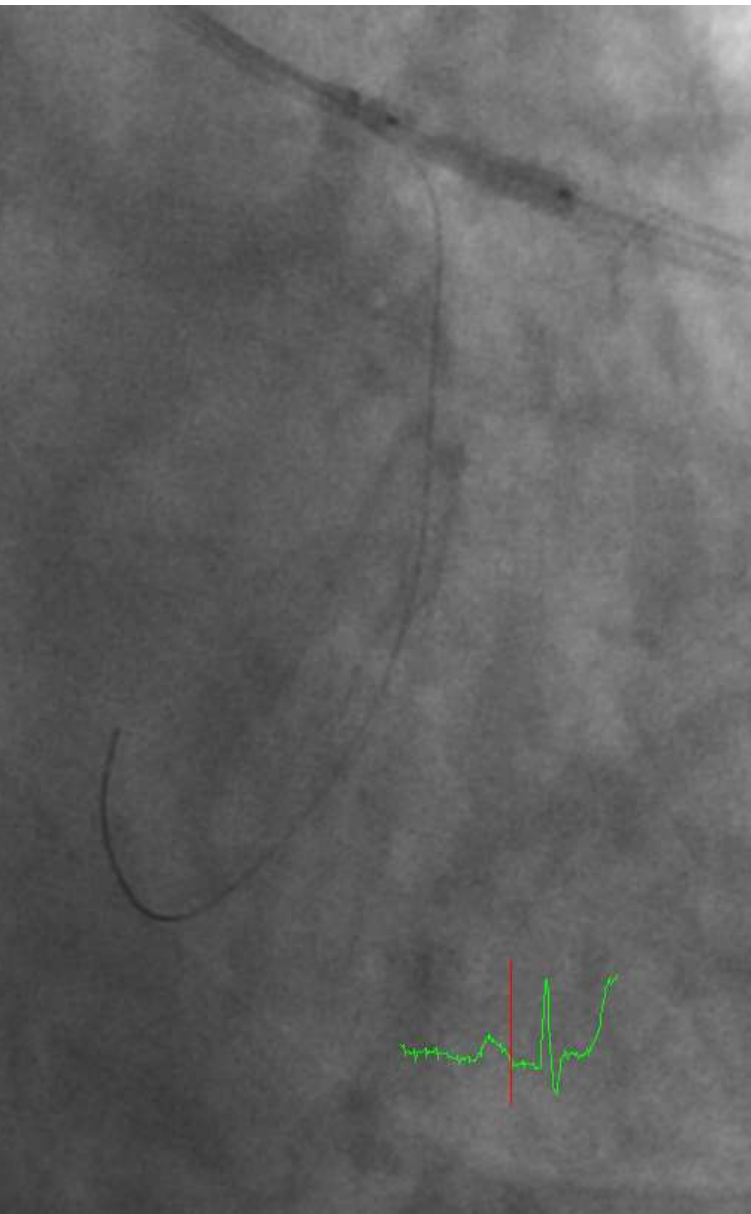
Ca

6.38
CURSOR

AUTOSCALE

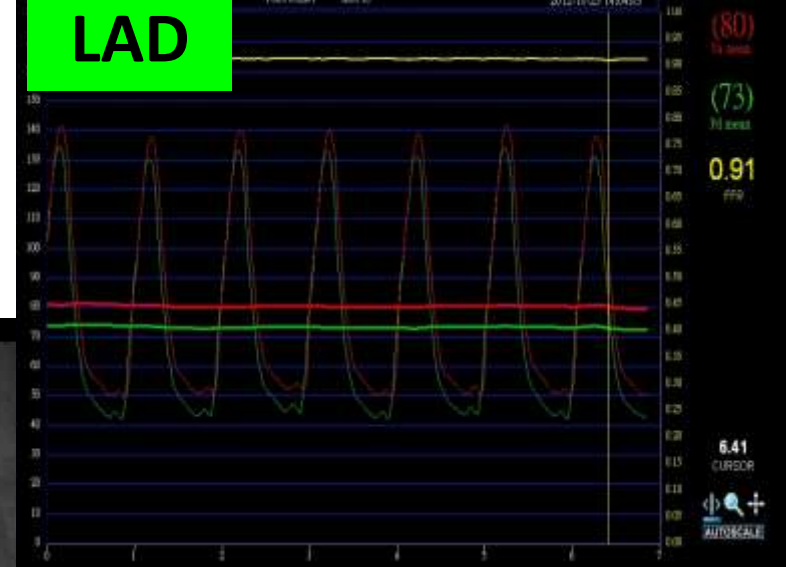
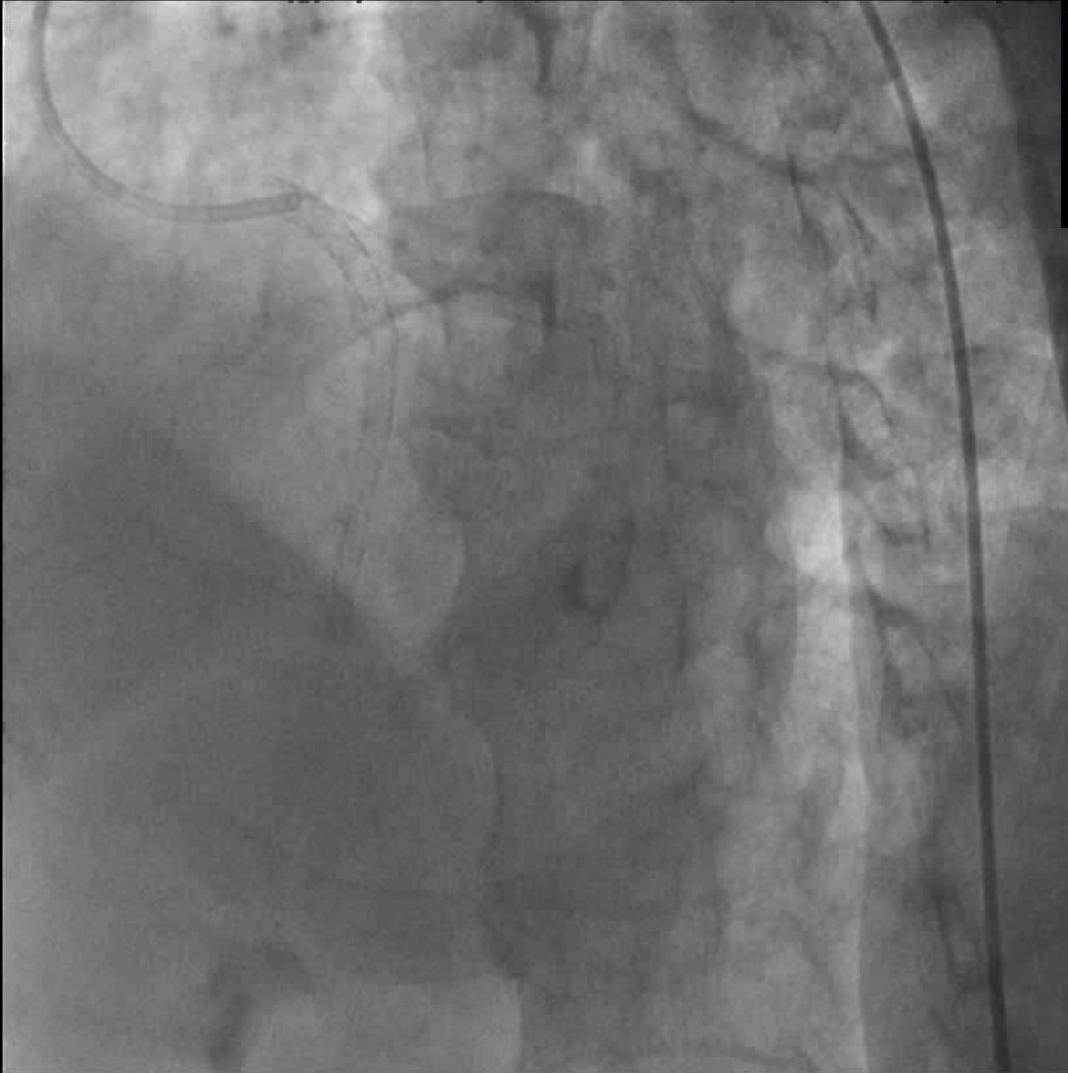
Culotte stenting + POT

LCX 3.0*34mm & LAD 3.5*18mm



Final

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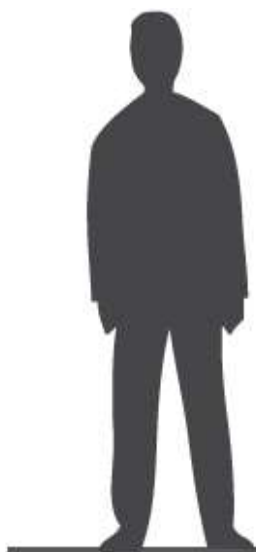
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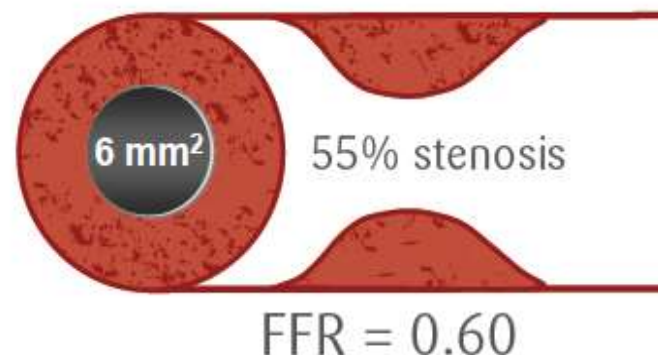


Lessons from this case

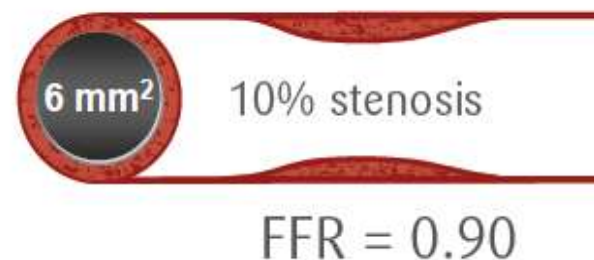
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- 2. Downstream cc FFR measurement
- 3. IVUS is still essential evaluation.



6 MM² TOO SMALL?



6 MM² SUFFICIENT?

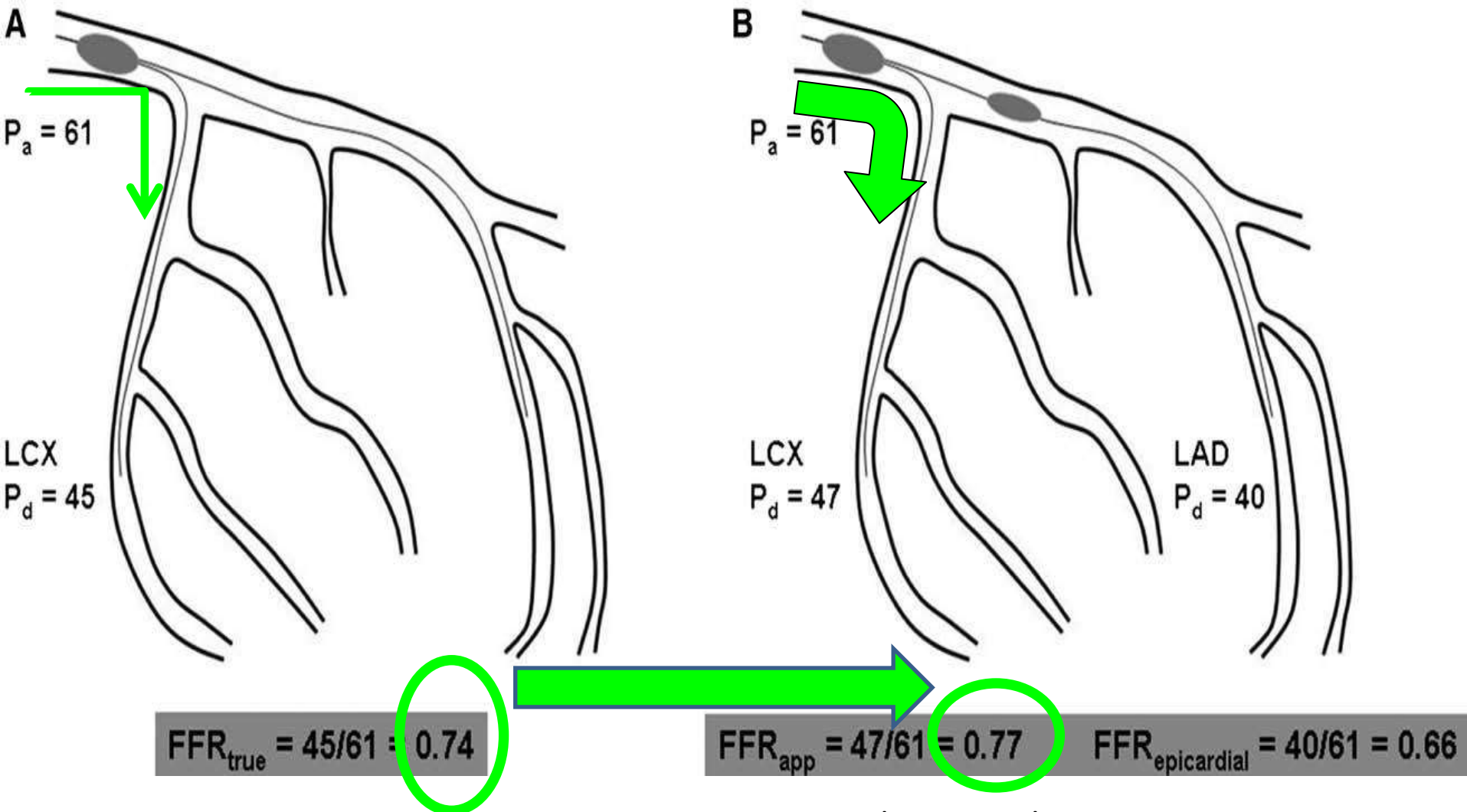


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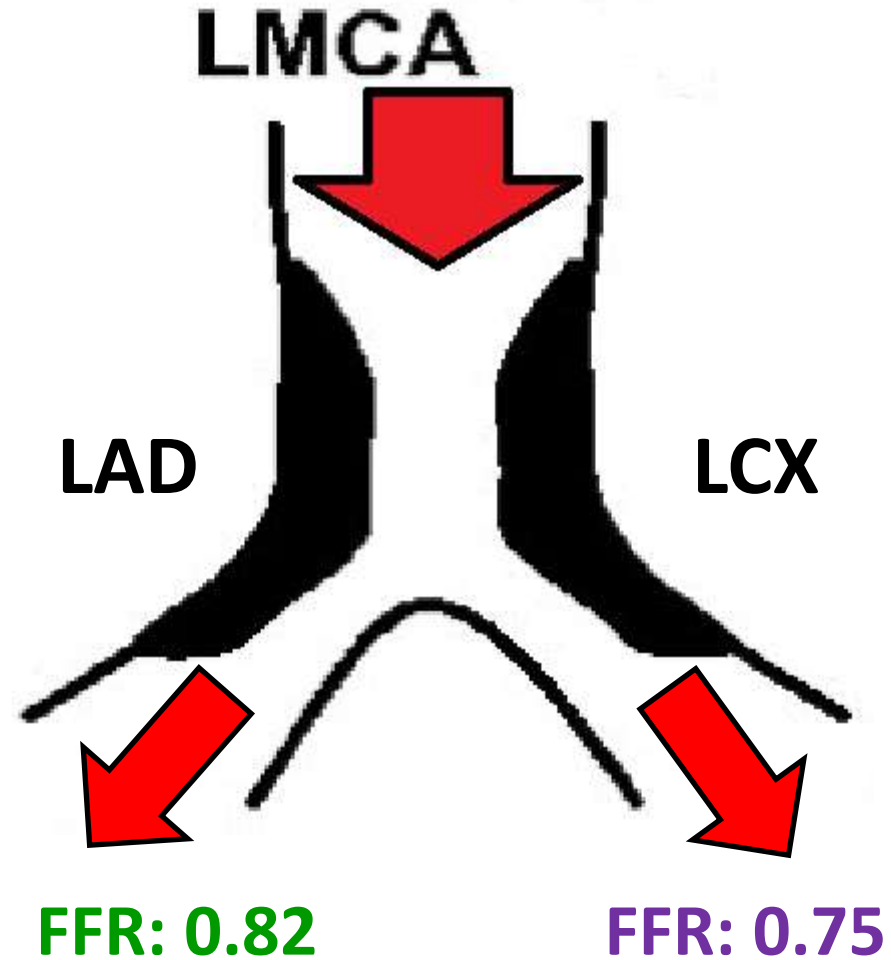
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Effect of Downstream Lesions on FFR Assessment

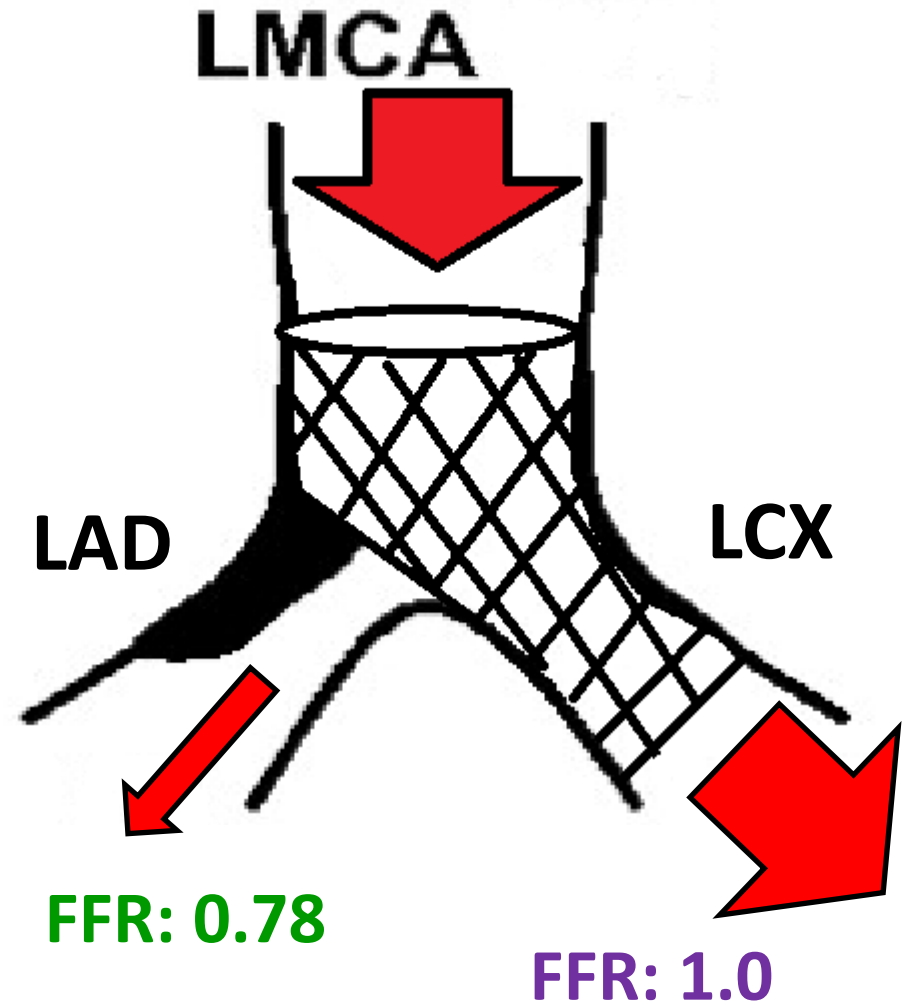
Animal Model



Before LCX stent



After LCX stent



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That is always a big problem !