

Unyielding Severely Calcified Undilatable Lesion After Rotablation & Orbital Atherectomy, What Next ?

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History

- 64 YRS/M
- CVRF: DM, HTN, Dyslipidaemia
- ESRD on maintenance haemodialysis (2016) awaiting Renal transplant
- CAD-CSA, Normal LV function, DVD, S/P PCI 3xDES –mRCA (23/7/2018)
MIBI Scan: Mild to moderate ischemia in distal to basal inferior wall
S/P PCI 1xDES-mRCA(10/10/2018)
NSTEMI-DVD, mild LV dysfunction, S/ P PCI 1xDES to proxRCA (23/4/19)
FFR –mid LAD was 0.74 (23/4/19)

Plan: Staged PCI to LAD with Rotablation

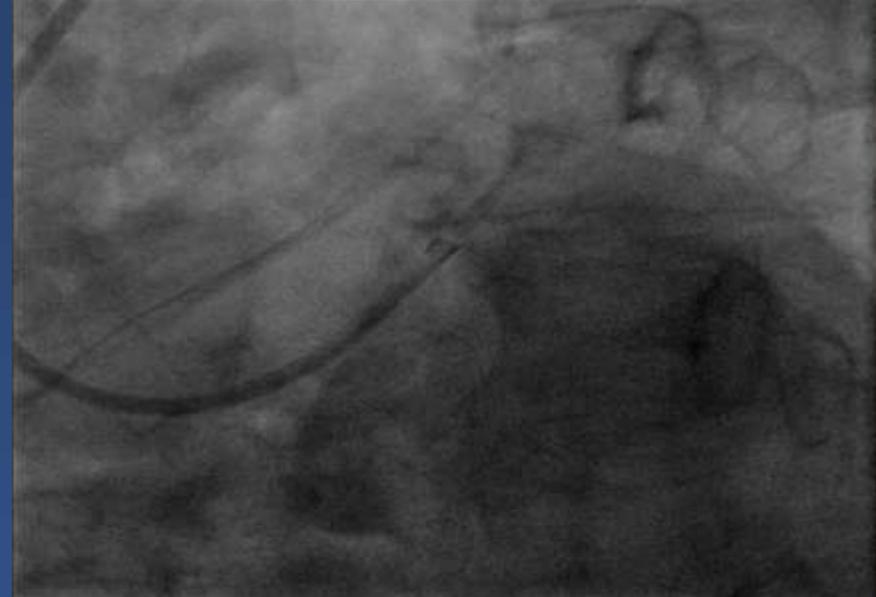
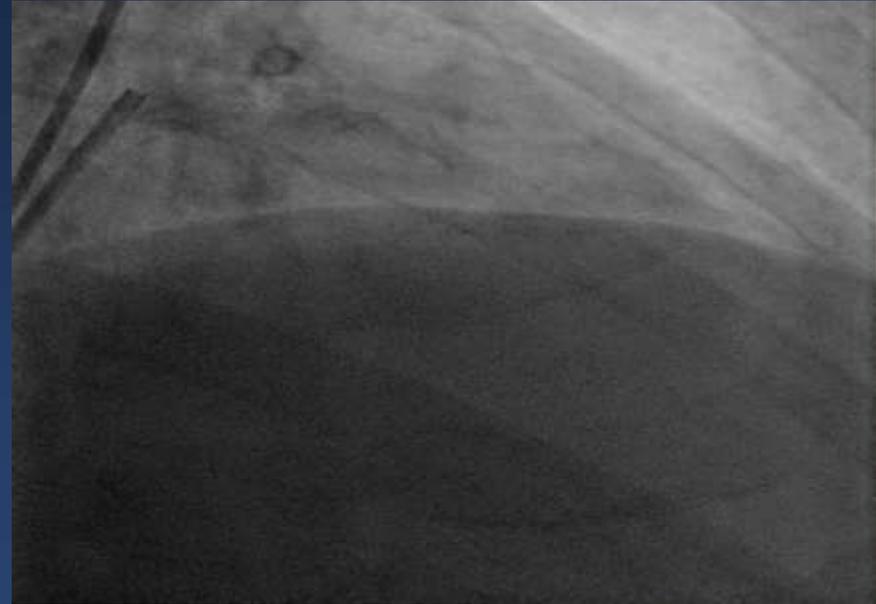
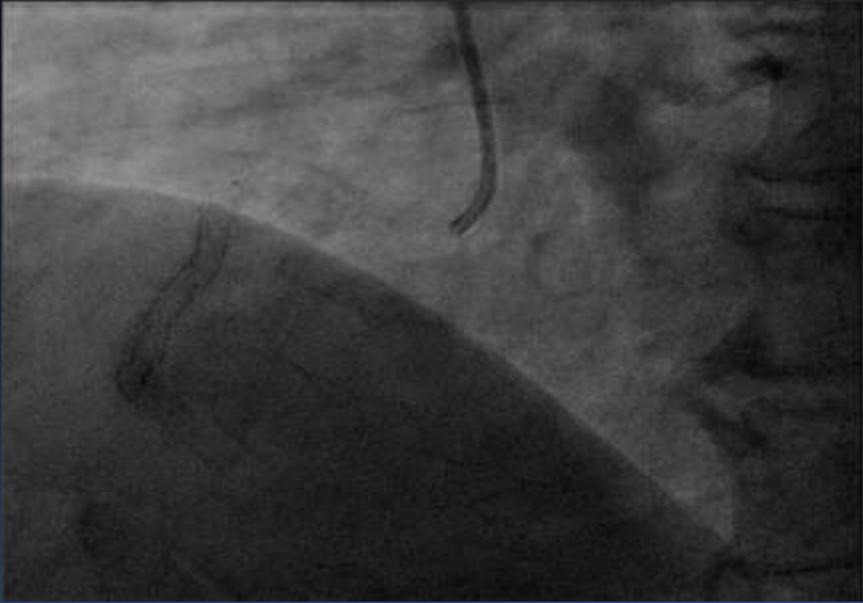
Baseline Investigations

- HB-10.4 gm%
- Platelets-173000
- S. Creatinine- 524 $\mu\text{mol/l}$ ↑
- Na- 138 mmol/l
- K- 4.4 mmol/l

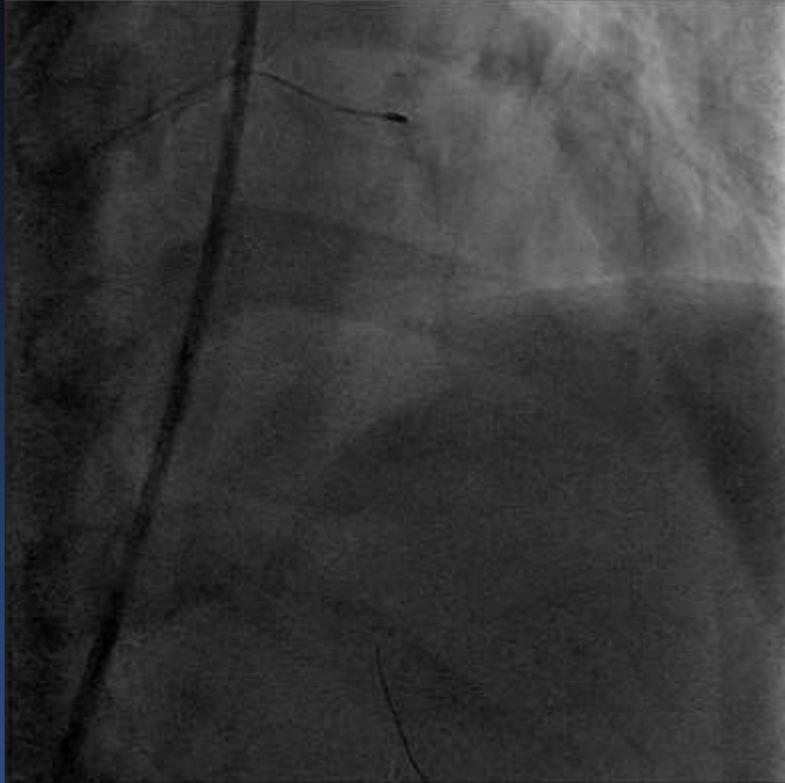
- ECG: SR, No ST-T changes

- Echo:
LVEF-50%
RWMA seen in Basal inferior, basal anteroseptal
Grade 1 LVDD, Normal valves, Trivial MR & TR
PASP-13mmhg

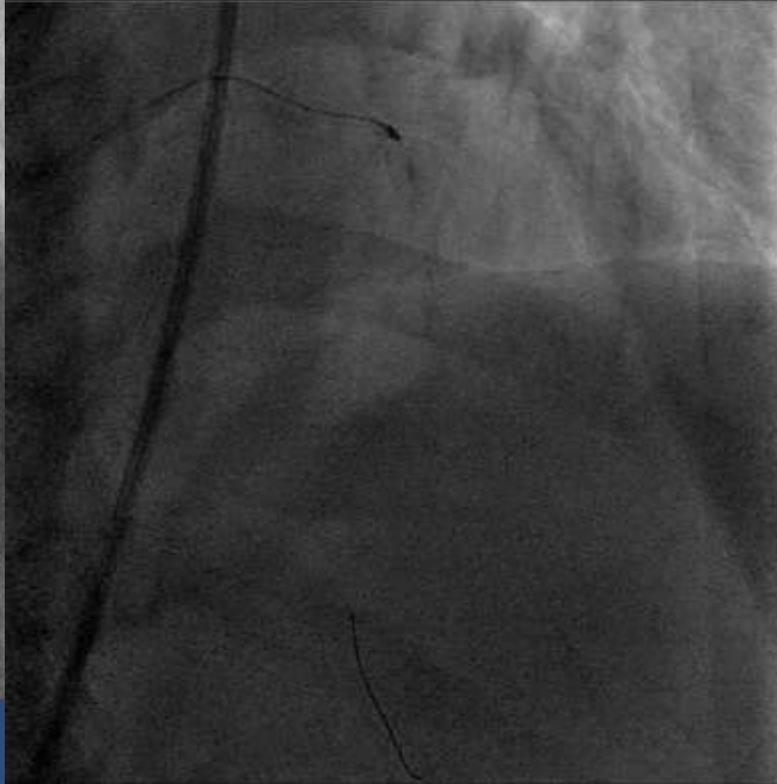
Baseline CAG



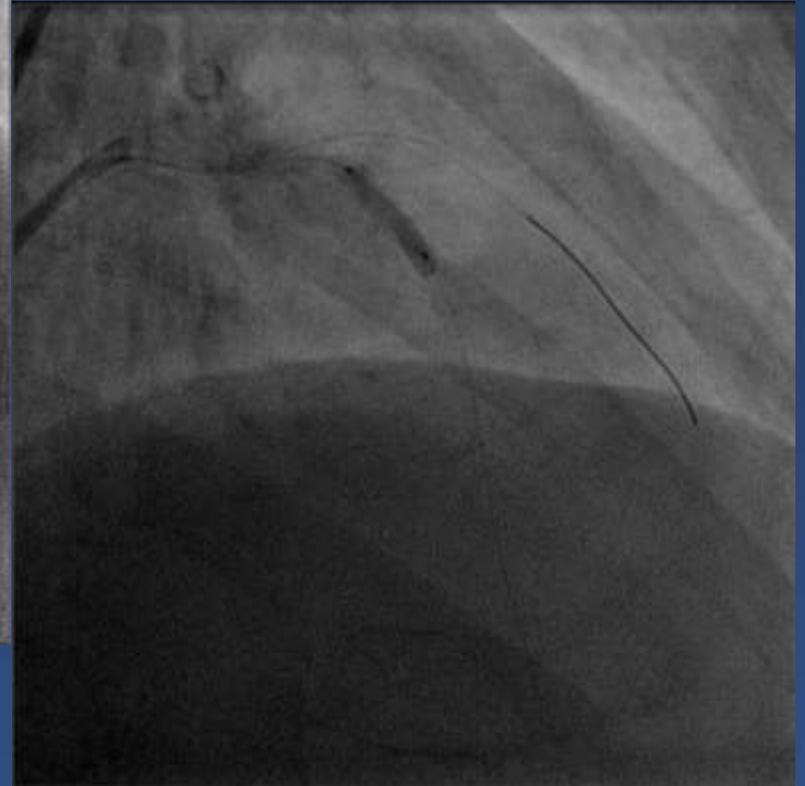
Rotablation with 1.25 mm Burr



Guide: XB-3.5 7 Fr
Rota wire extra support 330cm
150k RPM

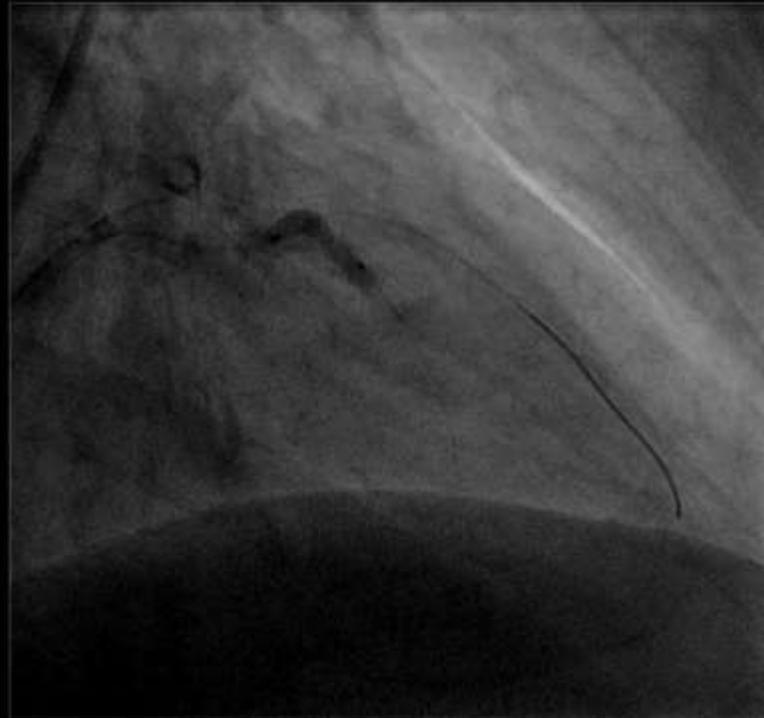


PREDILATION

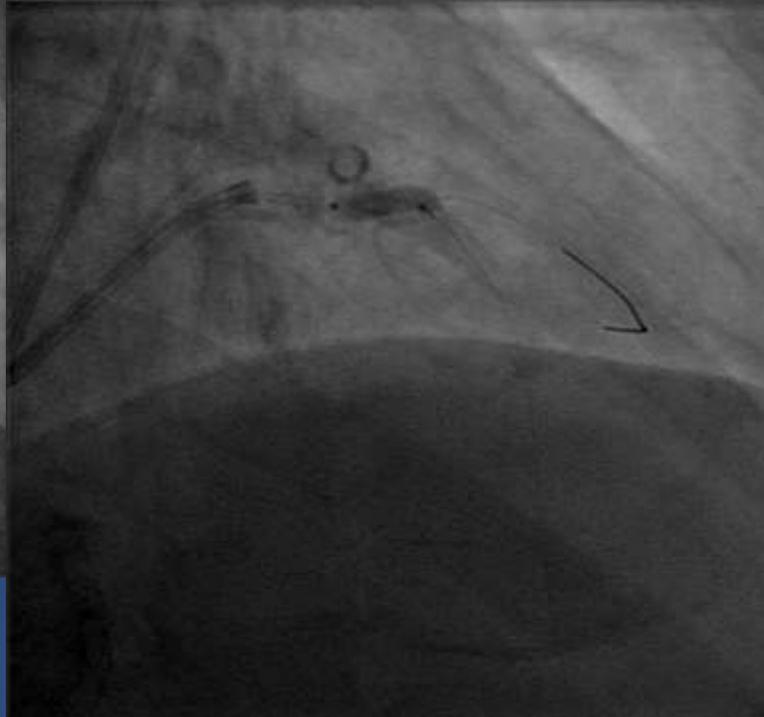


3x15mm SC Balloon@ 18 atm

Scoring Balloons



Dog bone effect



**Angiosculpt 3x10mm balloon
@ 20 atm**

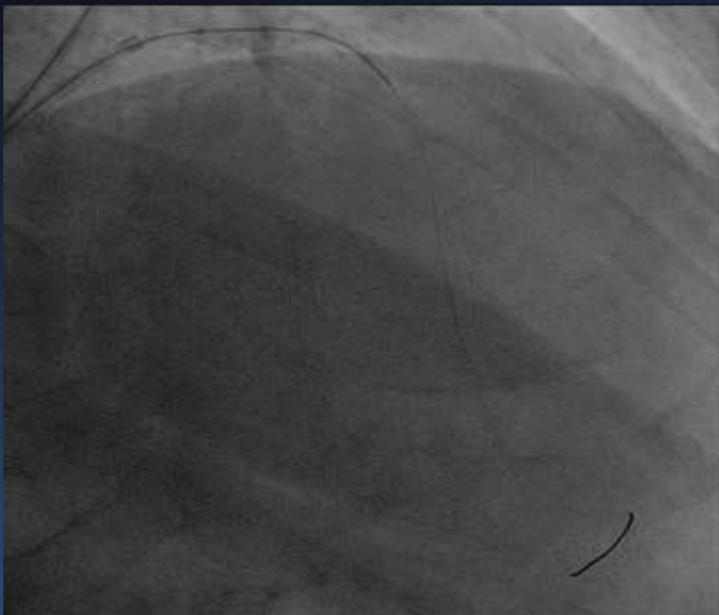


**NC Scoreflex 3.0x10mm
@ 20 atm**

Undilatable Calcified Lesion-Options?

- ? Upsize Burr to 1.5mm
- ? Orbital Atherectomy System(OAS)
- ? Intravascular Lithotripsy
- ? Super high pressure balloons

OAS – Diamondback 360



Viper wire 0.012" 325 cm



**1.25 mm coronary classic
crown @ 80k & 120k RPM**



Stent Deployment

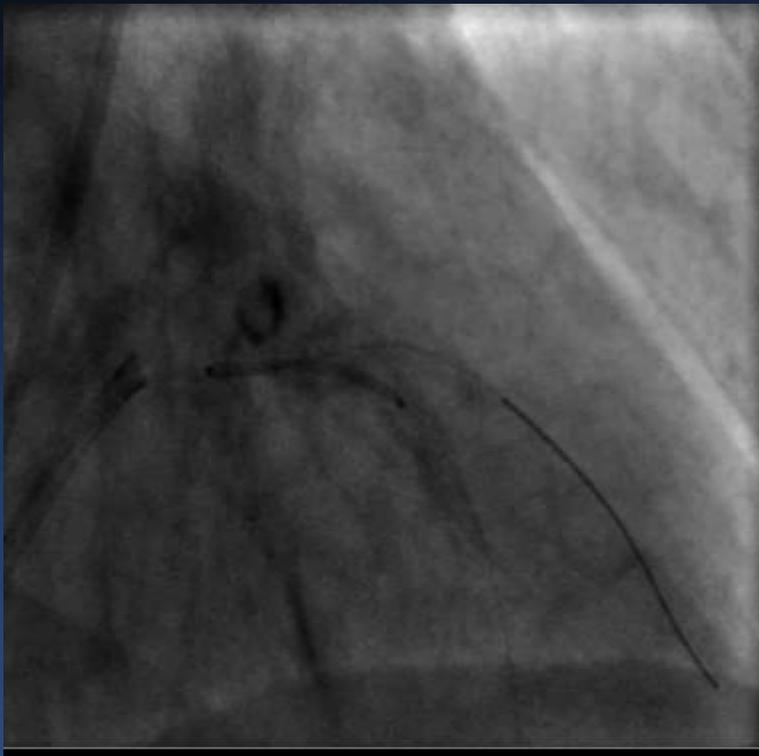


**3x8 mm Lacrosse Balloon @
20 atm**

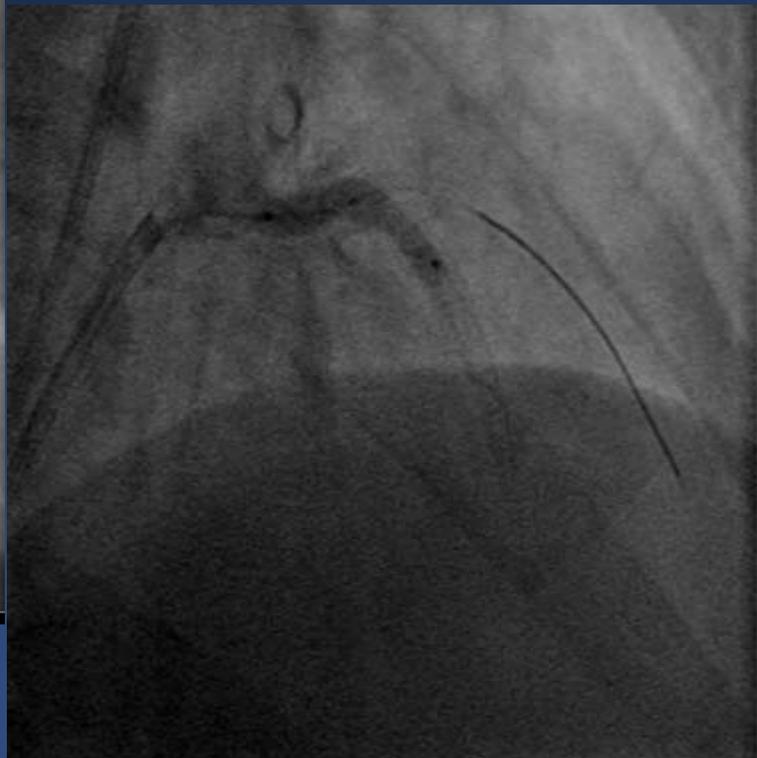


DES 3.0x16mm @ 16 atm

Stent Deployment

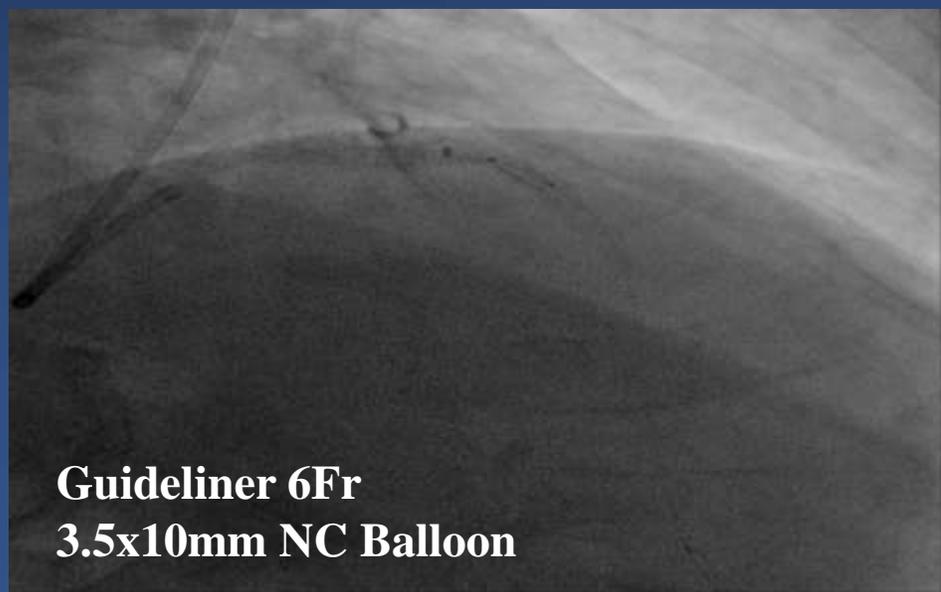
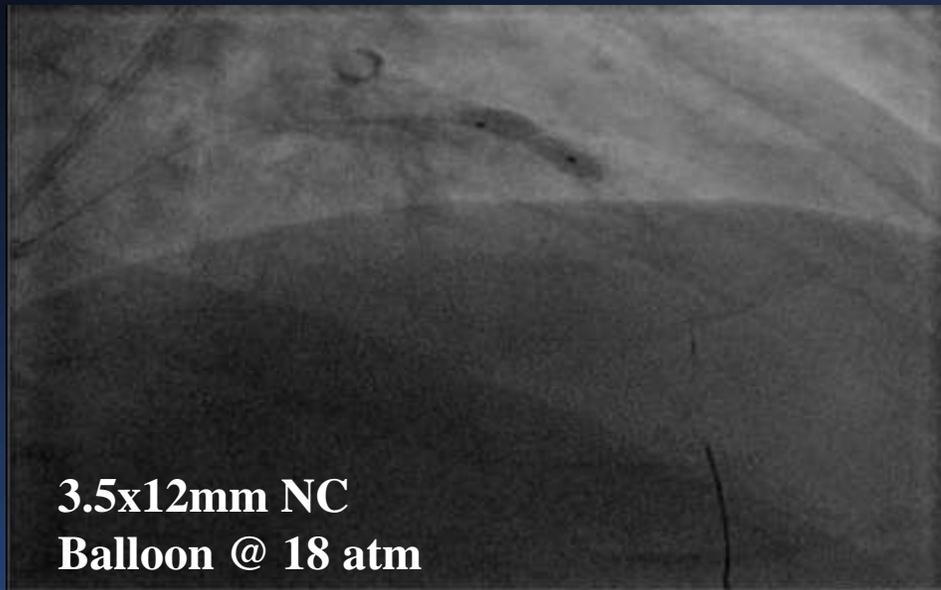


DES 3x20mm @18atm

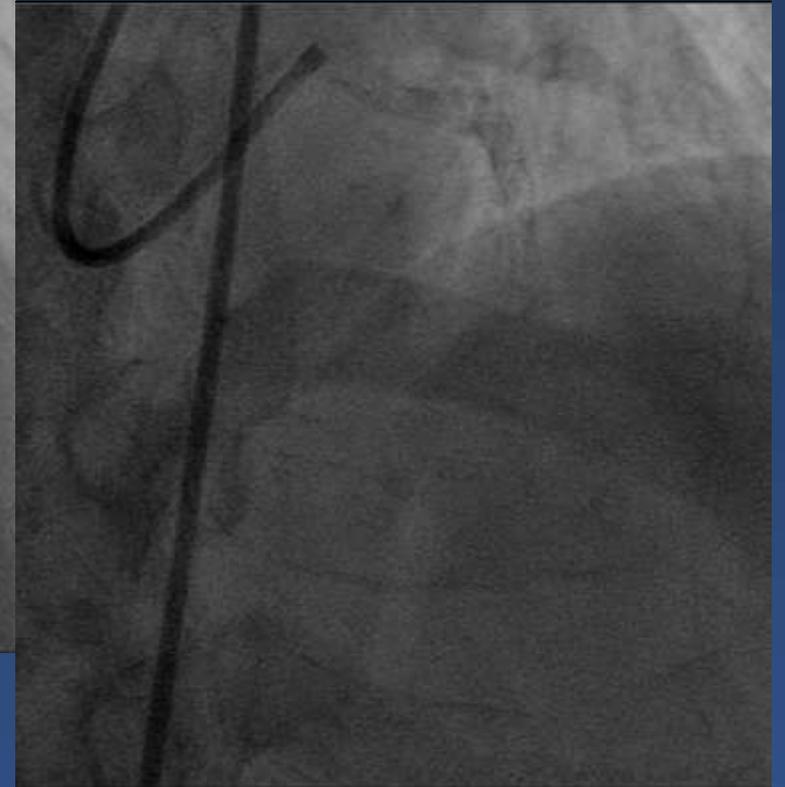
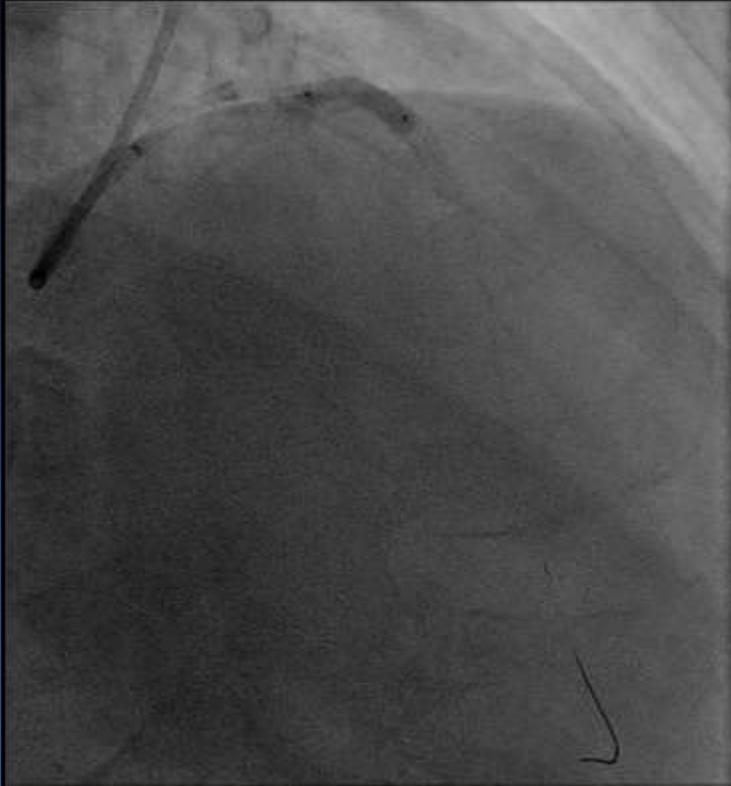


DES 3.5x12mm @ 12 atm

Super High Pressure Balloon Dilatation



Final Result

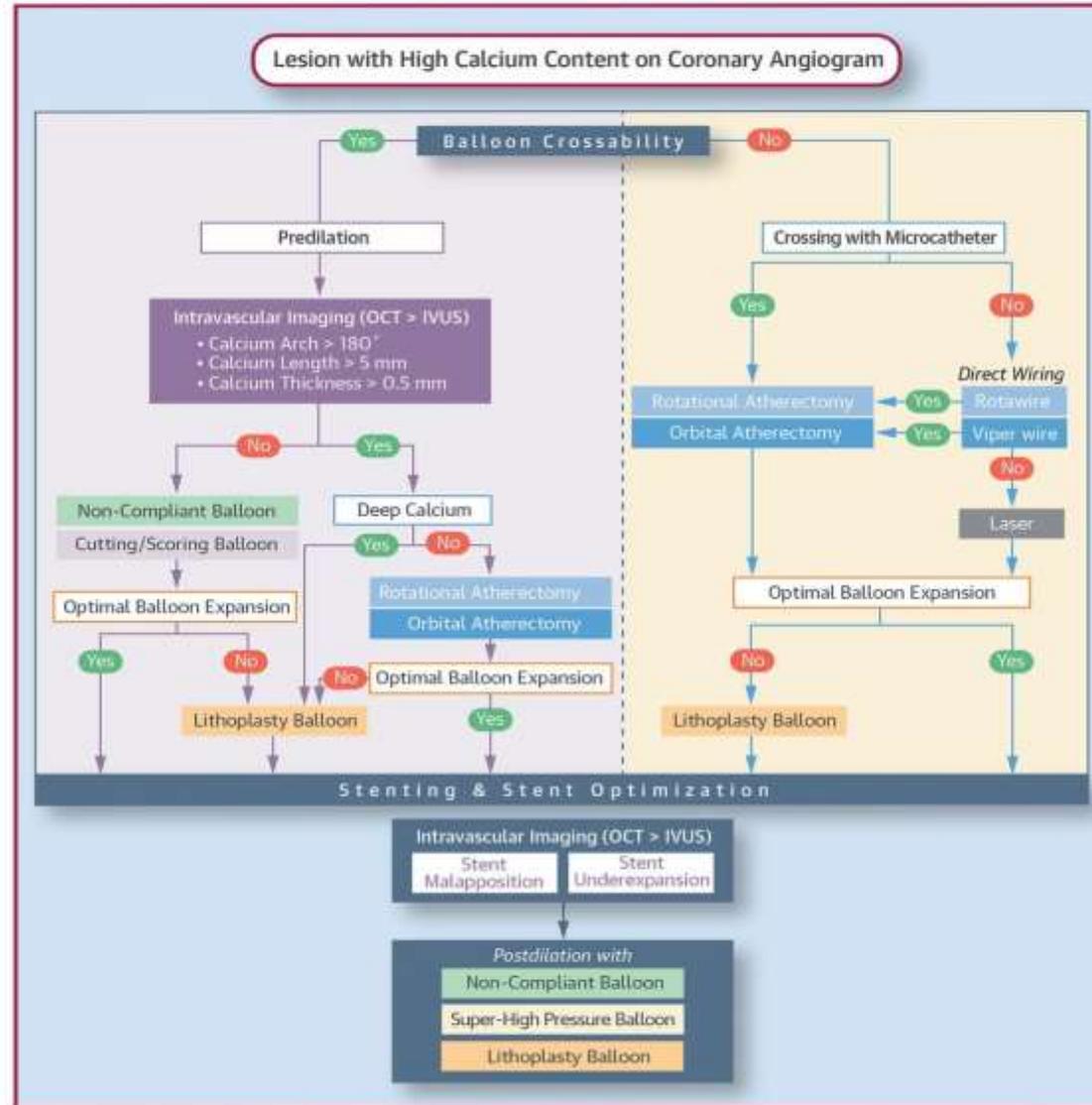


Good result with TIMI 3 Flow

Issues With Calcified Lesion

- Inadequate lesion preparation
- Difficult to deliver balloon / stent
- Damage to polymer of DES
- Stent under-expansion
 - stent thrombosis
 - in-stent restenosis , TLR, TVR
 - MACE
- ↑ Procedural complication – perforation; no reflow; dissection
- Overall ↑ clinical and procedural risks

CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION: Algorithm for Optimal Management of Coronary Calcified Lesions



De Maria, G.L. et al. J Am Coll Cardiol Intv. 2019;12(15):1465-78.

Discussion points

- Should we have used higher Burr size for Rotablation ?
- Upfront Super high pressure balloon ?
- Shock Wave balloon with imaging guidance ?

Conclusion

- Use debulking Strategy with Rotational Atherectomy, Orbital Atherectomy system & occasionally LASER for plaque modification in severely calcified stenotic lesions that are un-dilatable or non crossable
- Cutting & Scoring balloons can be used as a adjunctive therapy for plaque modification in fibrotic & mild-moderate calcific lesions
- OPN NC balloons can be used for predilating unyielding lesions, stent optimisation in unexpanded stents & ISR
- IVUS & OCT should be used to identify moderate to severe calcification to guide management
- Intravascular Lithotripsy is a newer technology in treating specific calcified lesions