Effectiveness of Vessel Stretch by a Retrograde Wire to Advance an Antegrade wire

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Case : A Female in her early 70s Chief Complaint : chest pain Clinical Coarse :

A female in her early 70s, who was an outpatient for hypertension, claimed symptoms of effort angina. She had no particular medical history other than hypertension. The exercise clectrocardiogram showed ischemic change on exercise.

Past medical history : hypertention
Coronary risk : HTN(+), DLP(-), DM(-), past heavy smoker
Renal function : eGFR 94mL/min
Cardiac function : normal LV contraction, asynergy-

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Contralateral contrast revealed the tip of the Confienza pro12 out of the vessel at seg3.

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Rretrograde wiring with Gaia2nd was re-performed but they all went to the subintimal space.

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We could advance a Confienza pro12 antegradely to Seg3.

-by the landmark of the retro Ultimate bros3 located at the greater curvature -change of vessel morphorogy

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Case summary

- ✓ This is a case of stiff RCA CTO with a curvature just after the entry point.
- ✓ The stenosis of ostial LAD was much severer than we first expected, and an intervention to LMT-LAD was required beforehand.
- We needed to use a Reverse CART technique at Seg3 beyond the curvature point.
 - -puncture with retro wire very difficult
 - -to prevent subintimal stenting at the curvature
- In order to successfully cross the CTO, wires like Confienza Pro12, whose penetration force is higher, was necessary, but these kinds of wires usually cannot trace the intra plaque space.
- By retrogradely advancing a supportive ULTIMATEbros3 to the subintimal space at the curvature, we could streth the vessel structure and finally advanced a Confienza Pro12 to Seg3.

Thank you for your attention.