Cases of Rotablator Burr Entrapment

The NIGHTMARE of rotational atherectomy

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M/60 recurrent angina

- 3YA, LV systolic dysfunction → PCI to LM/LAD/LCX & RCA
- Recurrent angina + positive stress ECG

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Angioimmunoblastic T-cell lymphoma s/p autoPBSCT → NED state

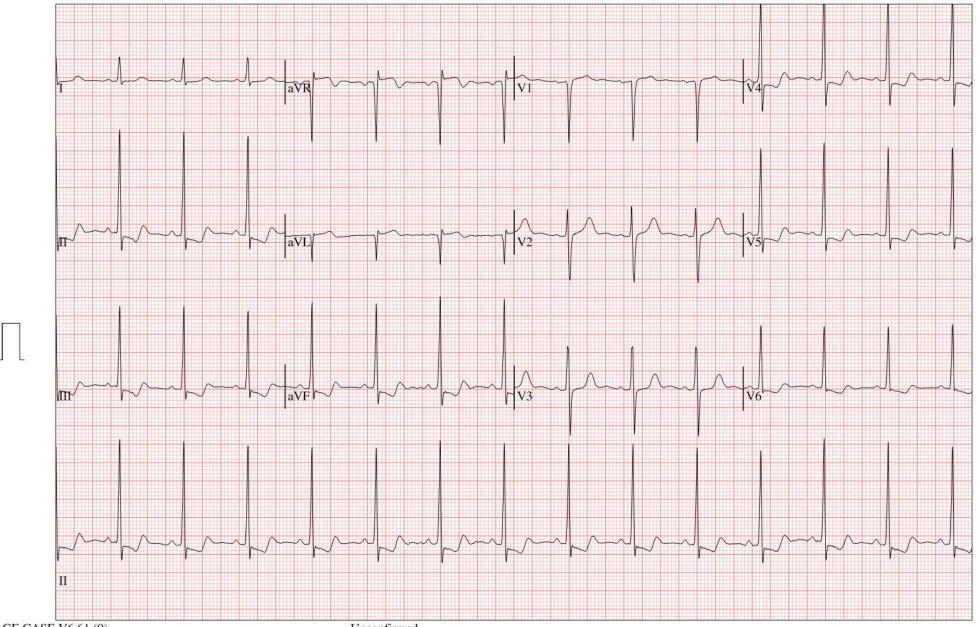
current smoker



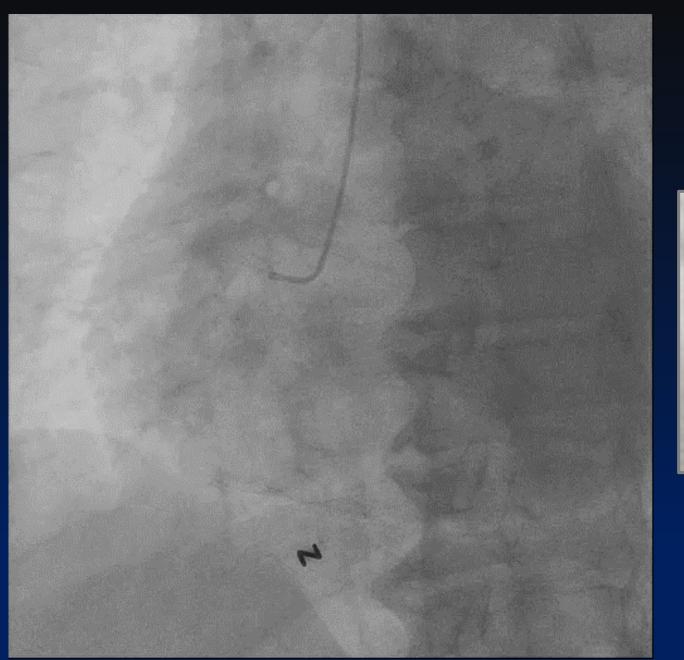


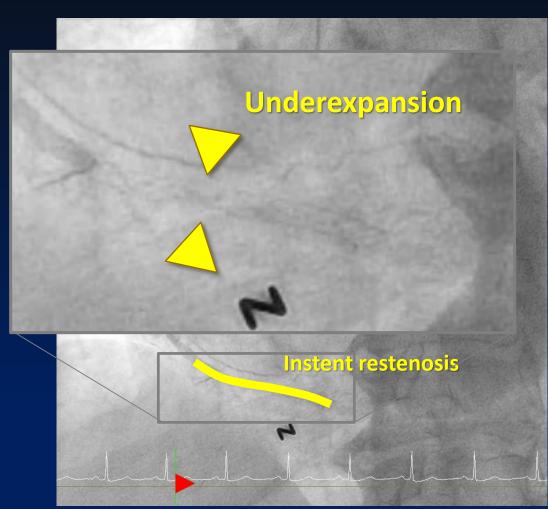


Stress ECG: positive, 9 min, 10.1 METs

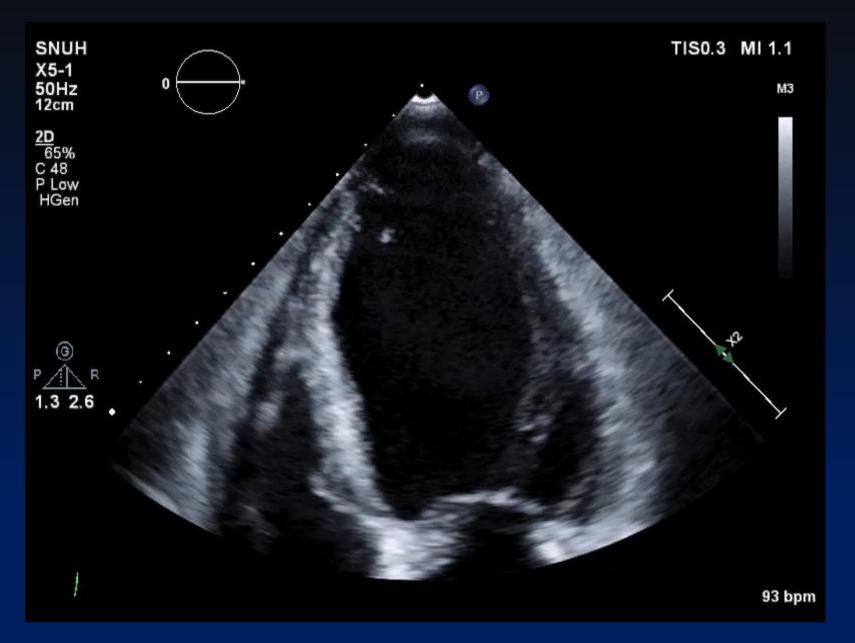


Attending MD:





Going back to 3 years ago..

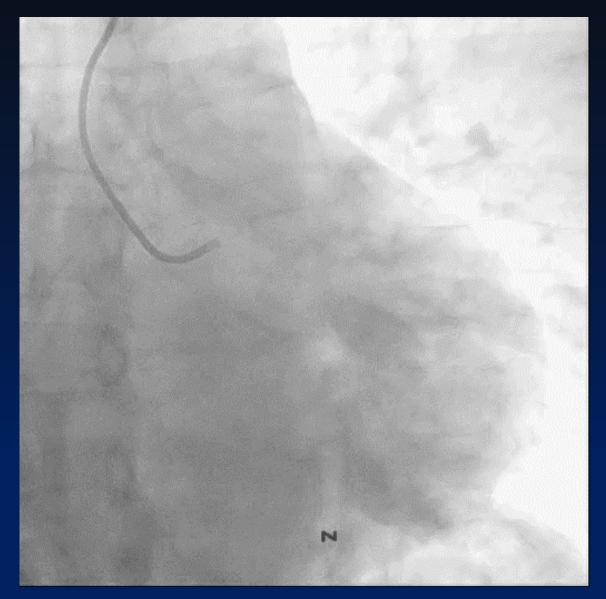


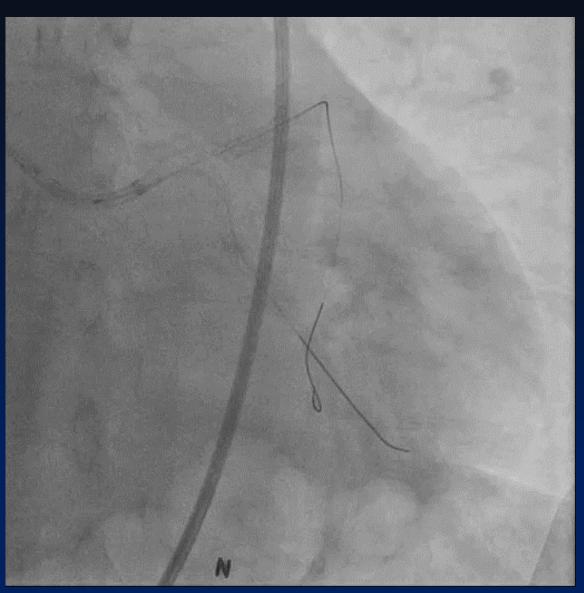
LVEF=35%
Suggesting ischemic insult

Dx'ed to have angioimmunoblastic T-cell lymphoma → Systemic chemotherapy was urgent

PCI to LM/LAD/LCX (3 years ago)

Pre-PCI Post-PCI

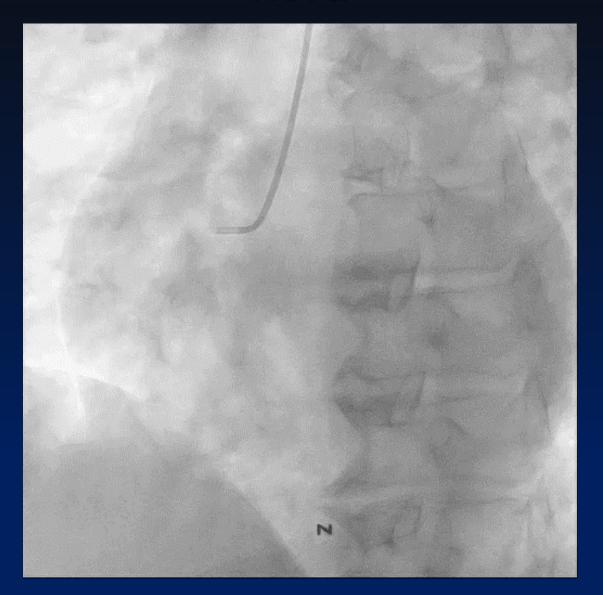


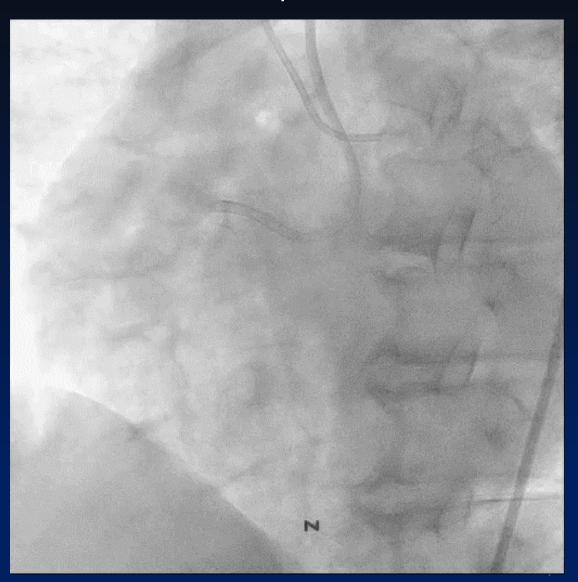


PCI to RCA (3 years ago)

Pre-PCI

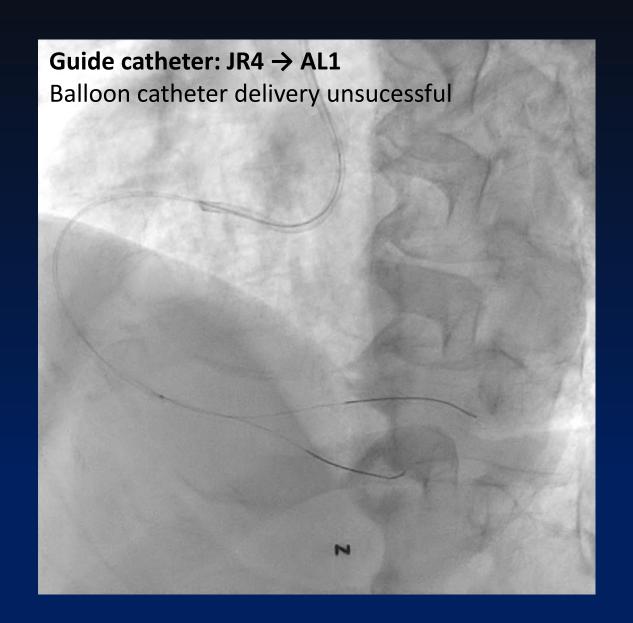
Post-PCI: suboptimal outcome





Suboptimal PCI to RCA (3 years ago)

Rotational atherectomy





Underexpansion

(2.5 x 15 mm semicompliant)

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(2.5 x 15 mm NC)

Underexpansion

(angiosculpt 2.5 x 10 mm NC)

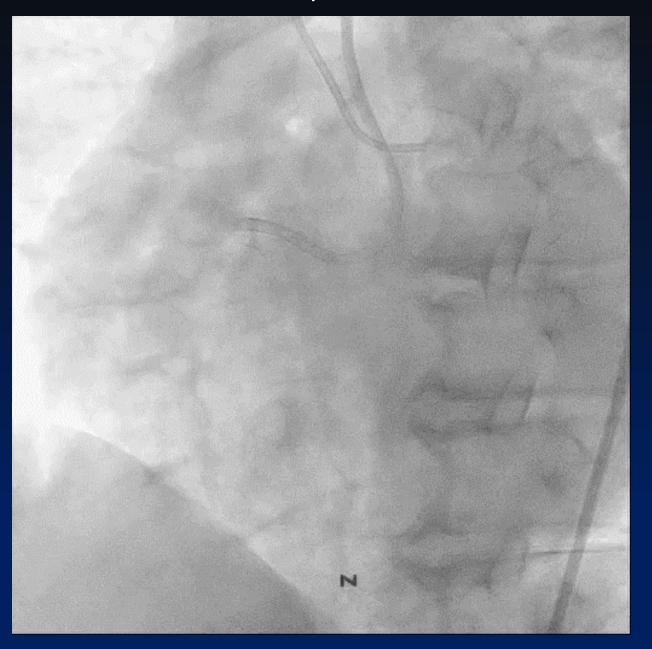
Stenting

(Biomatrix 2.5 x 36 mm)



RCA os stenting d/t os dissection (Biomatrix 2.5*36mm)

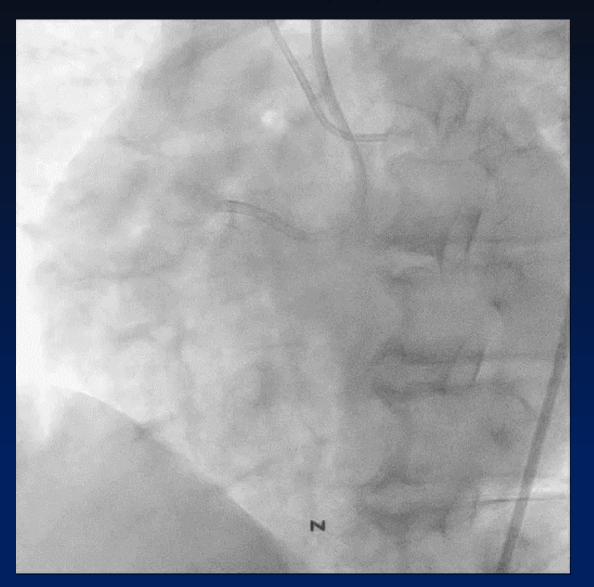
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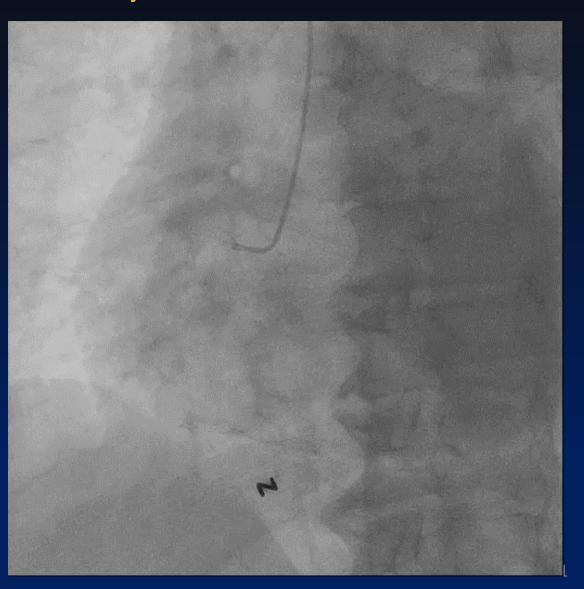


3 years later...

Post-PCI (3YA)

3 years later: ISR + de novo lesion







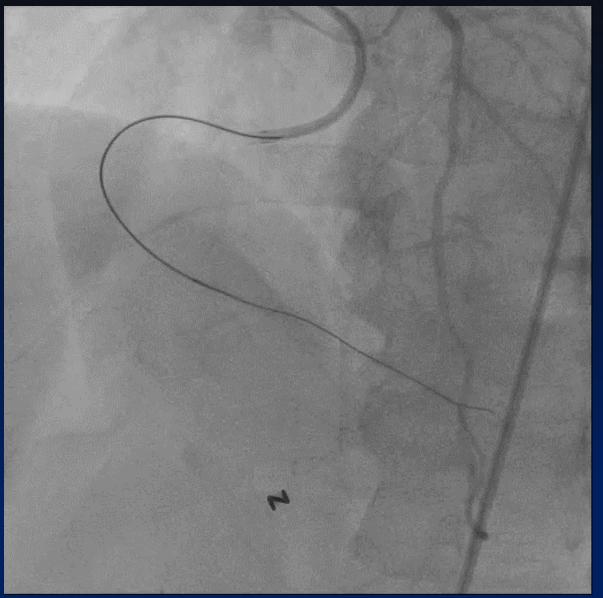
I was too tired at that time.

Now I have better experience with rotational atherectomy. Stepped burr approach would be more successful!

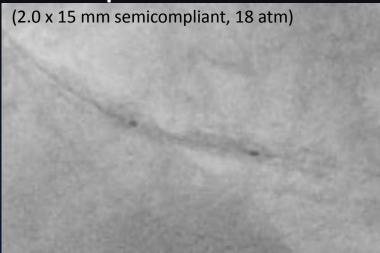


Successful wiring

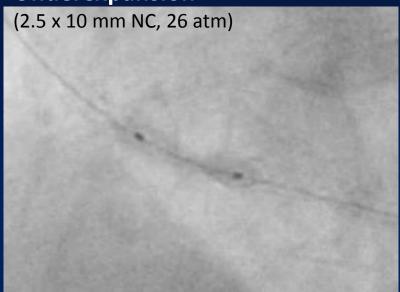
Sion → Gaia 1st (Corsair microcatheter support)



Underexpansion



Underexpansion



Repeated Rotablator runs

A 1.25 mm burr failed to cross the lesion

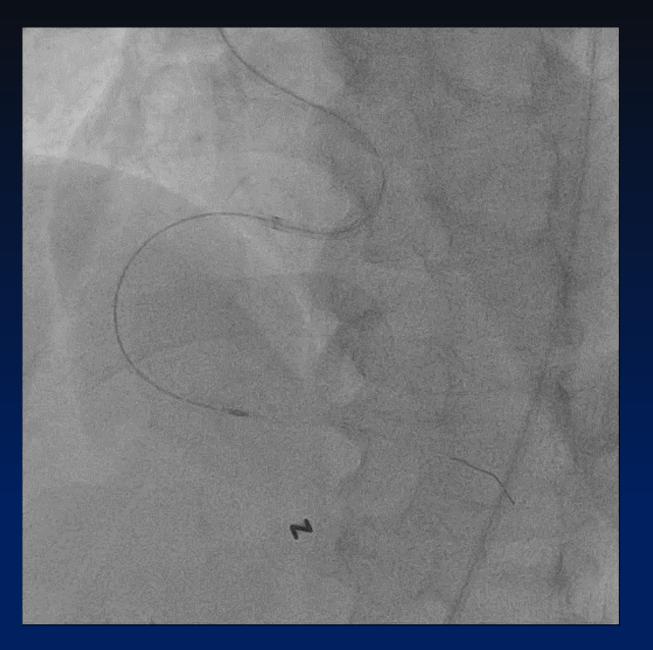


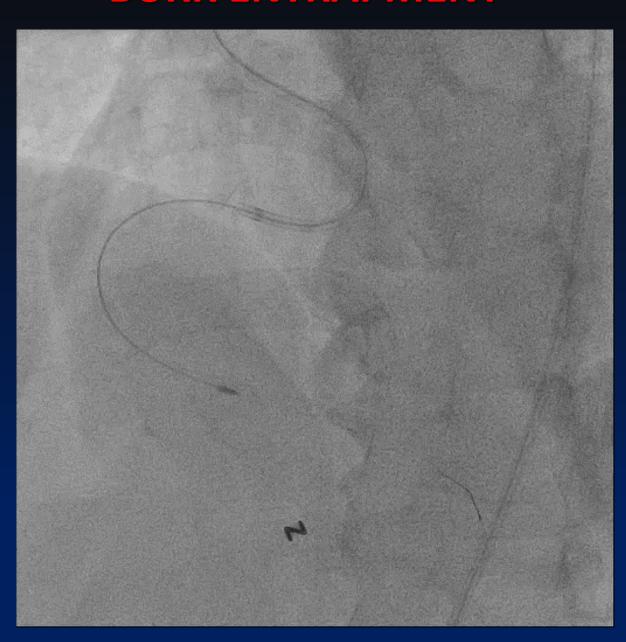
Not expanded yet



Next round of rotablator run

BURR ENTRAPMENT





Entrapped Burr removal

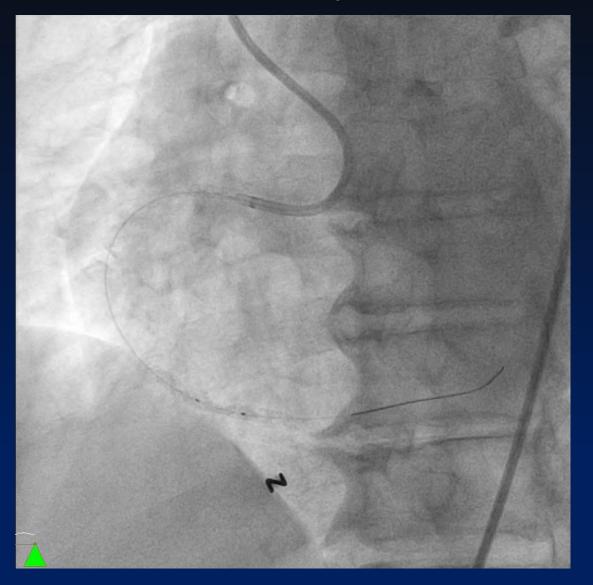
- Deep intubation of guide catheter
- Gentle manual pullback
- Sheath was not cut off
- Fortunately the trial was successful

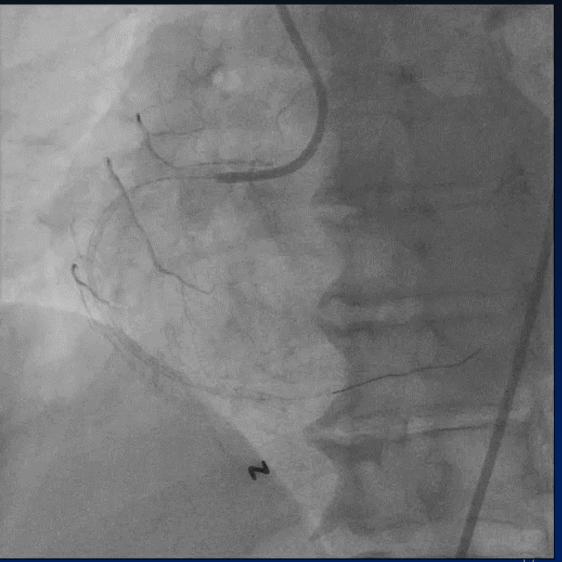


Final angiography

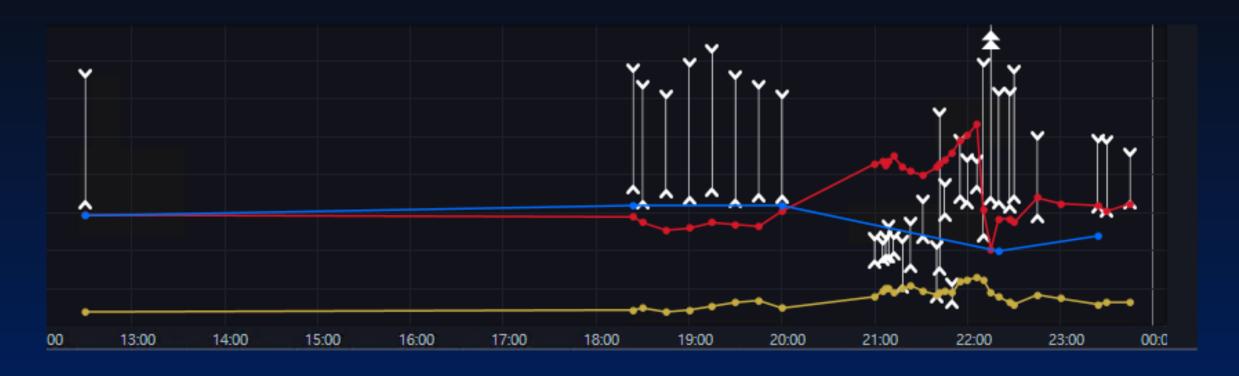
Failed lesion expansion

Final RCA angiography





Shock developed 3 hours after the procedure

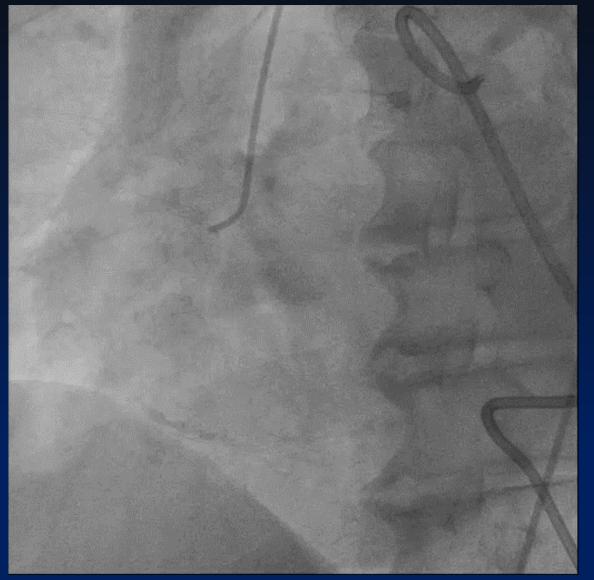


Echocardiography: Pericardial effusion with tamponade physiology

Emergency pericardiocentesis performed

Emergency CAG

no definite evidence of coronary artery rupture





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DISCHARED ALIVE

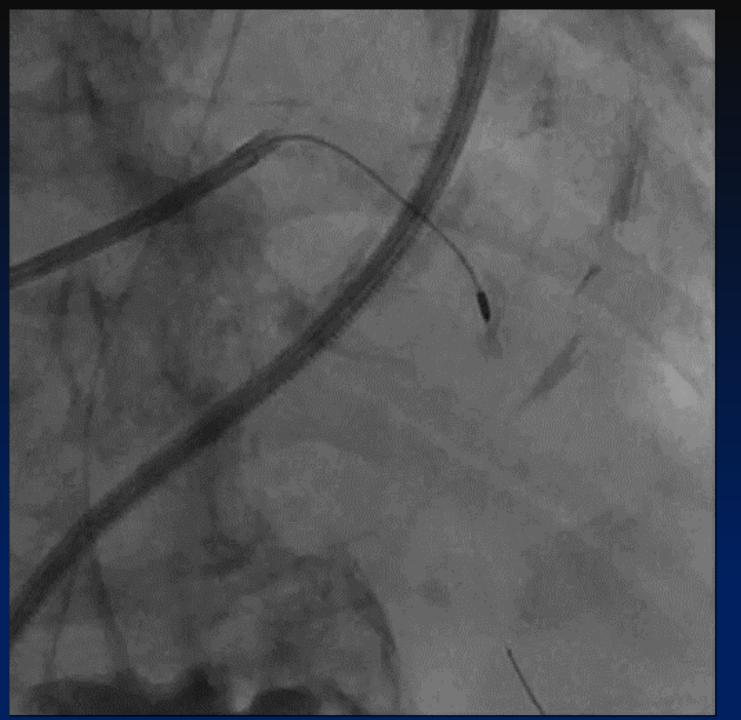
Hemodynamic stability recovered PCC removed 2 days later



F/91 NSTEMI

NSTEMI with Killip calss IV
Pulmonary edema, respiratory failure
Under mechanical ventilation and inotropic support





Rotablator Burr Entrapment

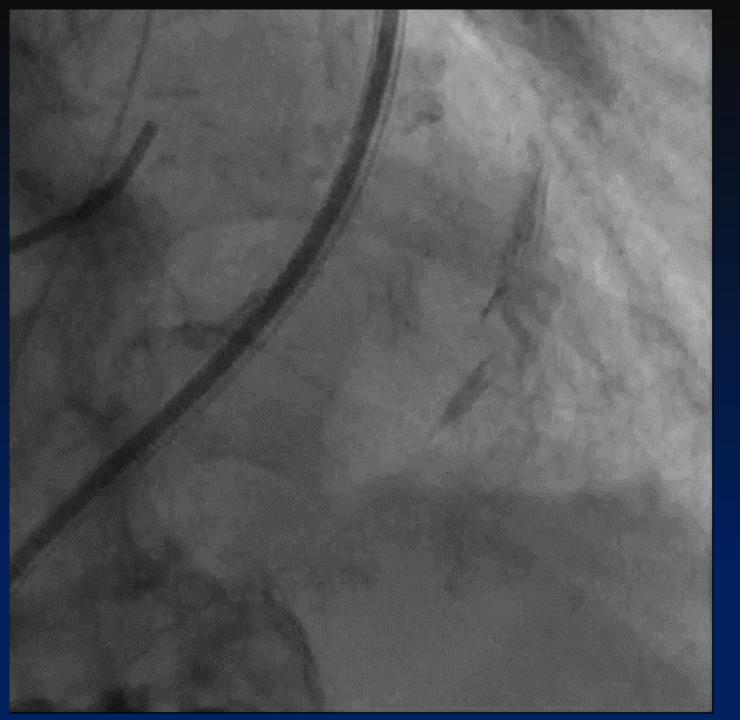
1.25-mm burr

Antegrade flow compromised

→ Bradycardia

 $\rightarrow \rightarrow$ Arrest

 $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$ CPR



Entrapped Burr released after CPR

EBS implemented

Emergency CABG performed

Unfortunately, the patient did not survive...

Rotablator Burr



- The distal part of the burr is covered with diamond crumbs.
 The proximal part is smooth without sputtering.
- Only the distal part can ablate the lesion during rotation, while the proximal part is not able to ablate while pulling back the burr.



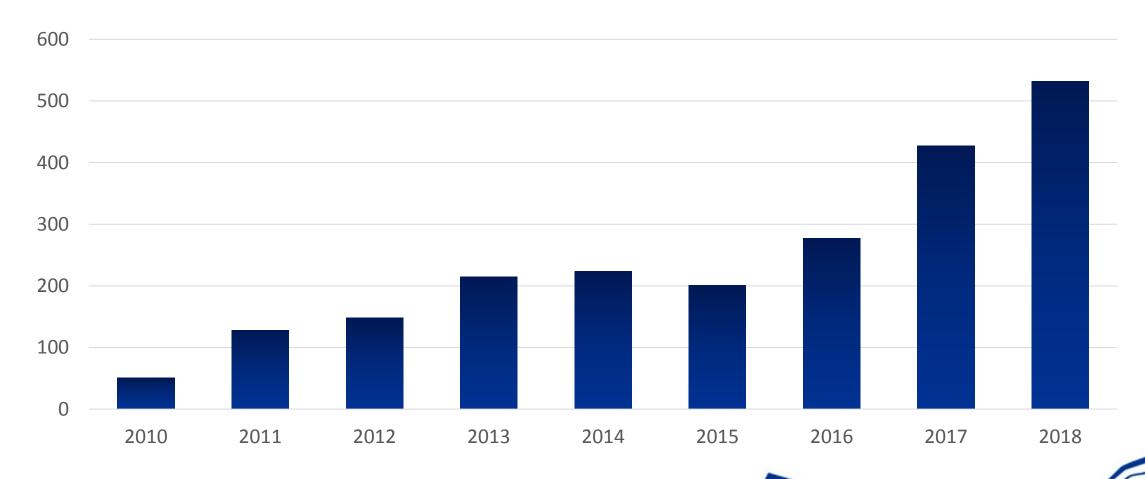






Rotational Atherectomy in Korea

Data from Health Insurance Review & Assessment Service







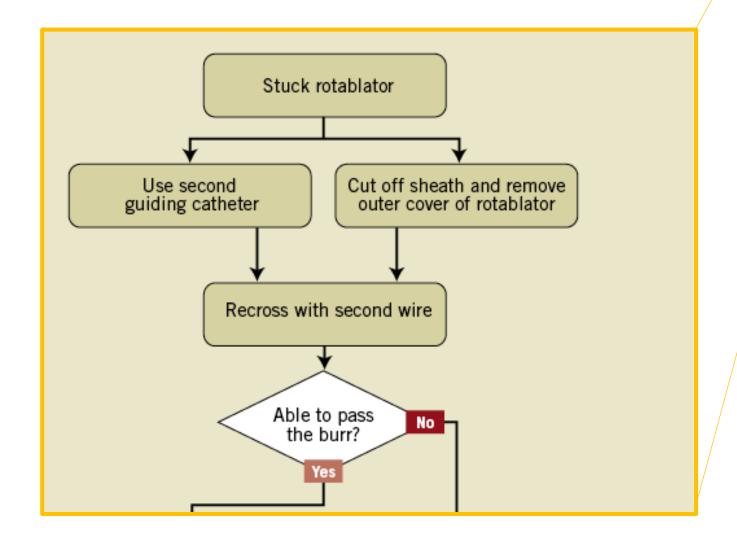


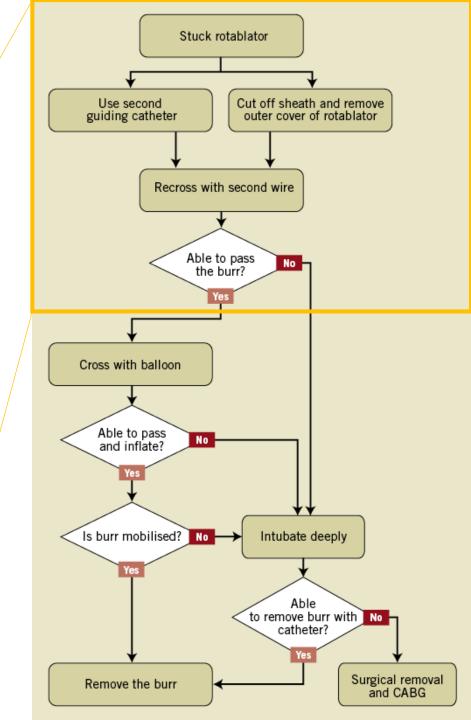
Prevention

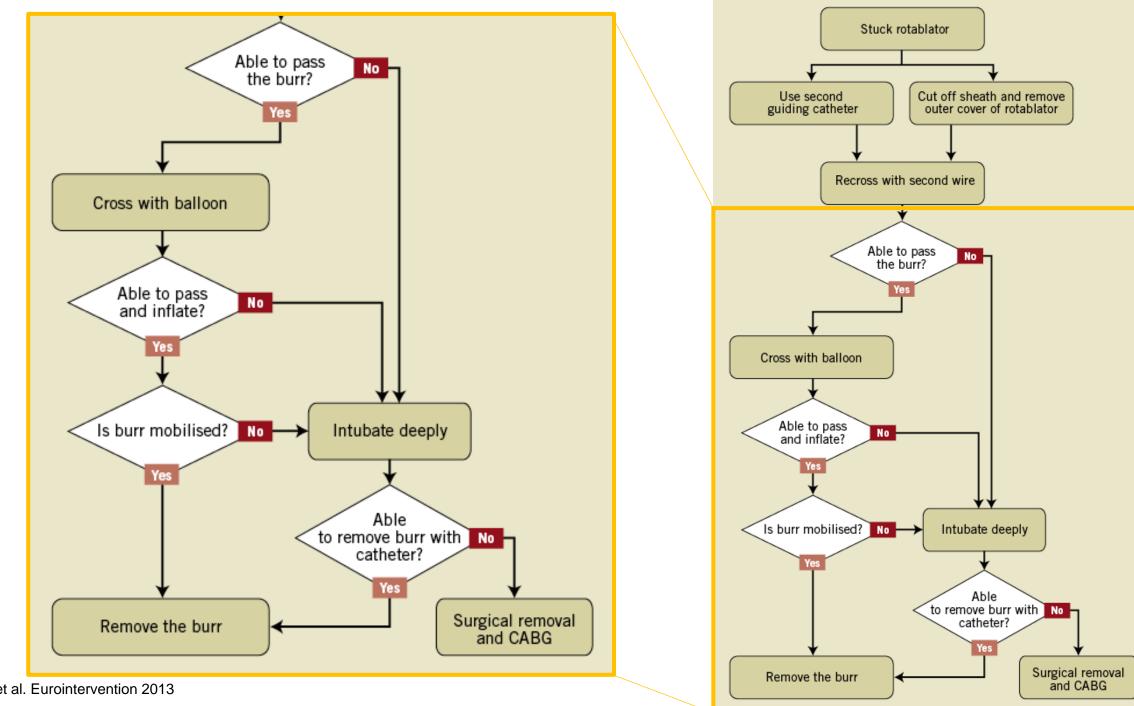
- Choice of relatively small burrs
- A higher speed of rotation
- Operators should not exert excessive forward force.
- Rotablation of metal stents must be performed very carefully:
 It results in early blunting of the diamonds and often several burrs of the same size will ultimately be necessary to ablate the stent.



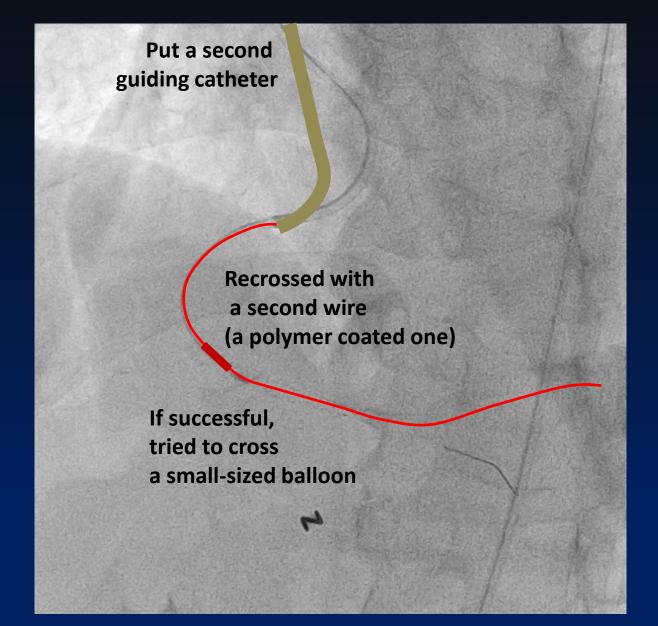
Management



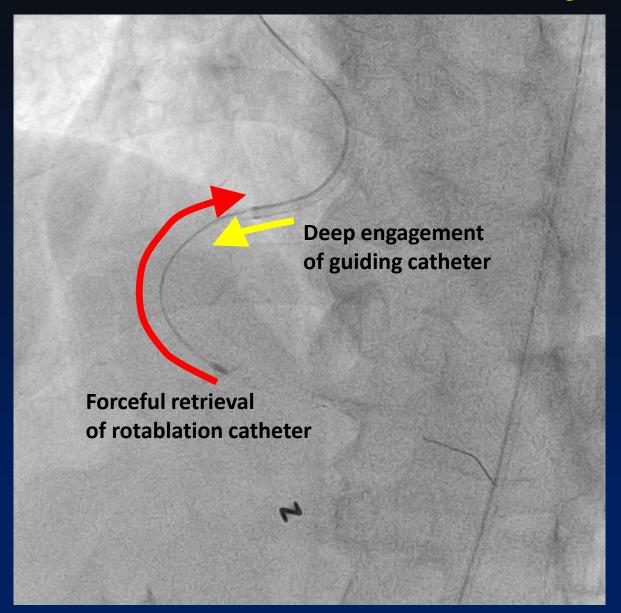




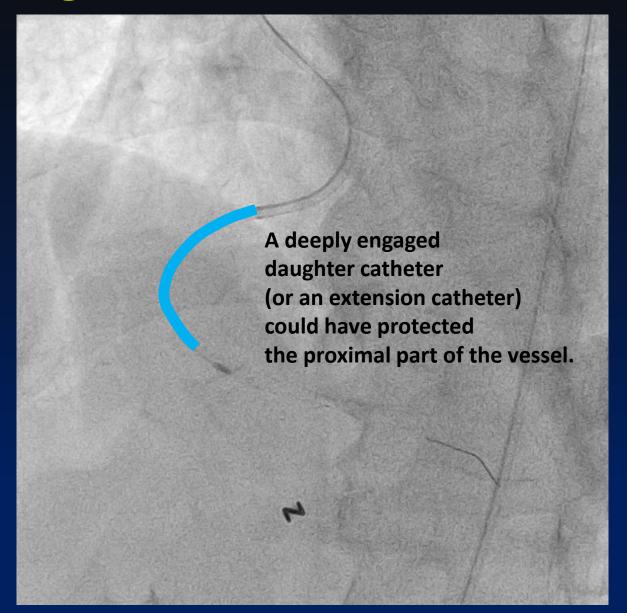
I should have done..



There could have been vessel injuries d/t..



A daughter catheter could have..



Summary

- O1 Rotablator burr entrapment is a rare but potentially life-threatening complication.
- "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." Benjamin Franklin : Gentle pecking motion, short runs of rotablation, small burrs, a higher speed
- O3 Rotablation of implanted metal stents must be performed very carefully.

04 Keep in mind the management strategies for a stuck rotablator.







