

'Mother-in-child' catheter induced retrograde dissection during PCI

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Clinical scenario

55-years-Male, Ex-smoker, peripheral vascular disease, TASC D lesions of bilateral ilio-femoral and femoral-popliteal, tibio-peroneal system.

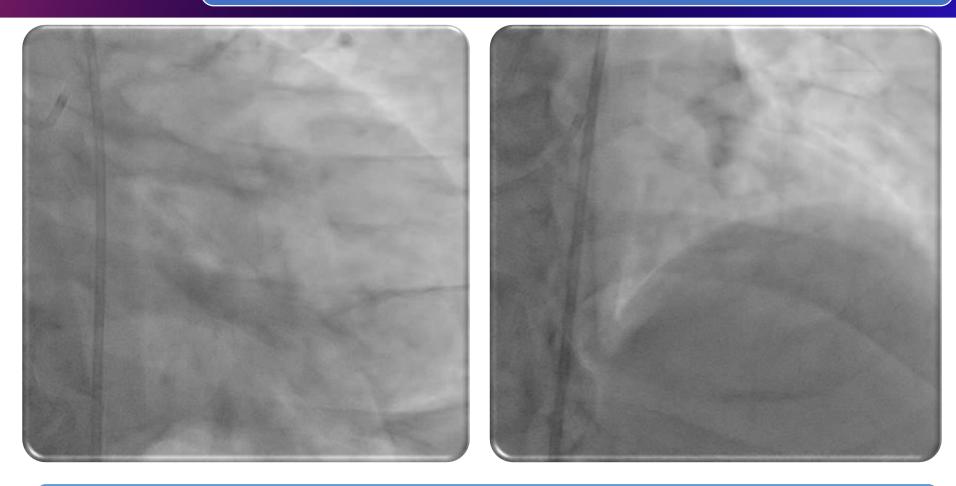
Recent onset exertional angina CCS class III despite optimal medical management.

Echocardiography – fair LV function [50%] with regional wall abnormality of antero-septal walls.

Coronary angiography - Calcified critical tandem stenoses of LAD; Significant stenosis of obtuse marginal and proximal RCA



Coronary Angiography

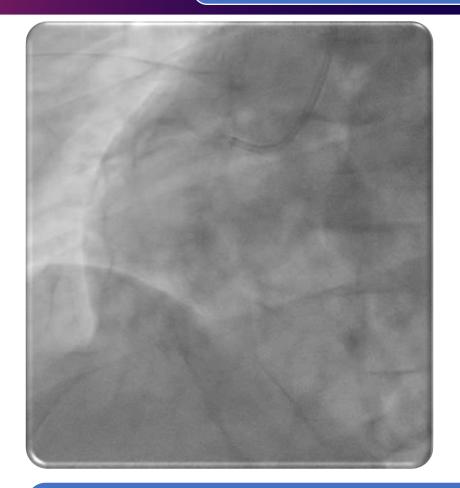


CT surgeon refused CABG in view of multiple comorbidities

Planned for PCI to LAD followed by staged PCI of OM and RCA



Coronary and Peripheral Angiography





High Syntax score – 33 and Euro SCORE – patient accepted for PCI



Percutaneous Coronary Intervention

High risk for CABG – COPD, Peripheral vascular disease refused by CT surgeon.



Transfemoral Approach, 7Fr.



Rota-ablation using 1.50 burr.



Post-dilatation using 'OPN' balloon.





PCR Management of complication

Still stents unable to cross



Mother in Child Catheter -**Guideliner – Stents** could cross



Two overlapping **DES** deployed





Management of complication

Angiography revealed dissection of distal LMCA and Osteal LAD.



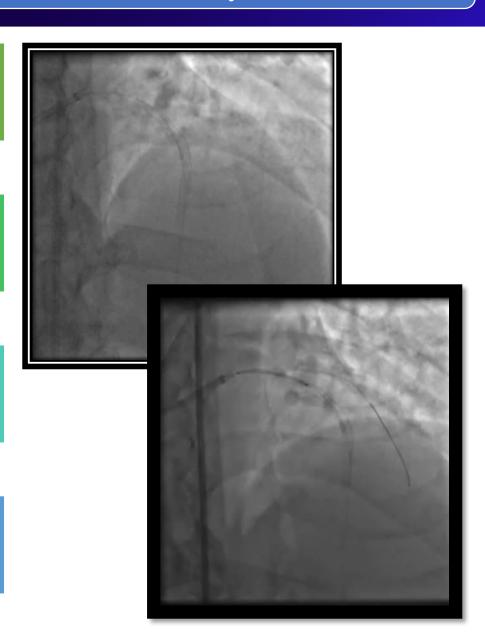
Across the distal LMCA-osteal LAD dissection stent deployed



Proximal optimization Technique

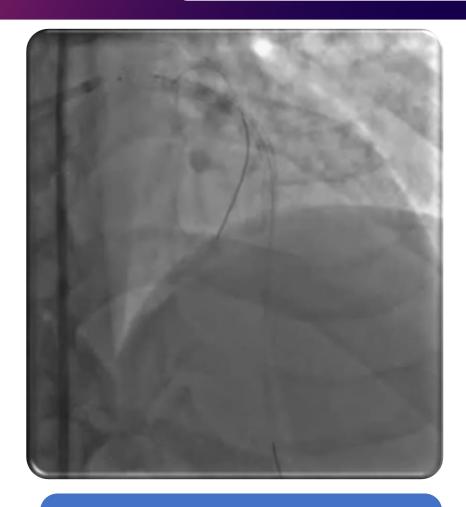


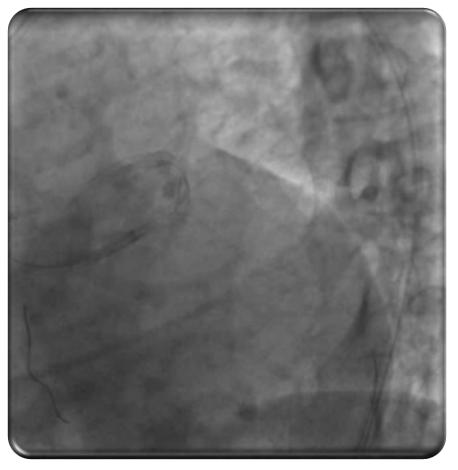
IVUS run to confirm the apposition of the stent struts.





Final Angiography





Proximal Optimization Technique

TIMI III flow in LAD with no residual dissection



Take Home Message

The soft tip of the Guide-Liner was not coaxial and likely abutted the vessel wall or plaque despite no warning of pressure damping before contrast injection.

Focal hydraulic pressure generated by short and forceful hand contrast injection could easily create a crack at a vulnerable plaque

Track into the injury point, resulting in coronary dissection.

Careful position of 'Mother-in-child' catheter is important.

OPN balloon is very useful hardware and should be in the cath-lab shelf – for pre/post dilatation for the lesion preparation