

# IVUS guided primary PCI to left main coronary artery

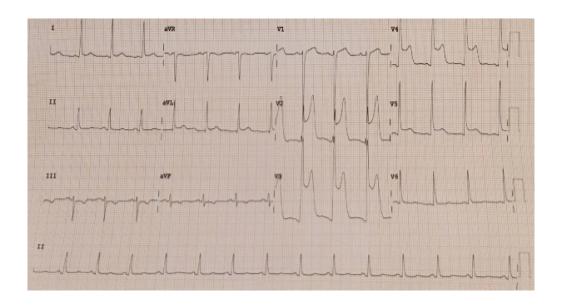
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# Case history

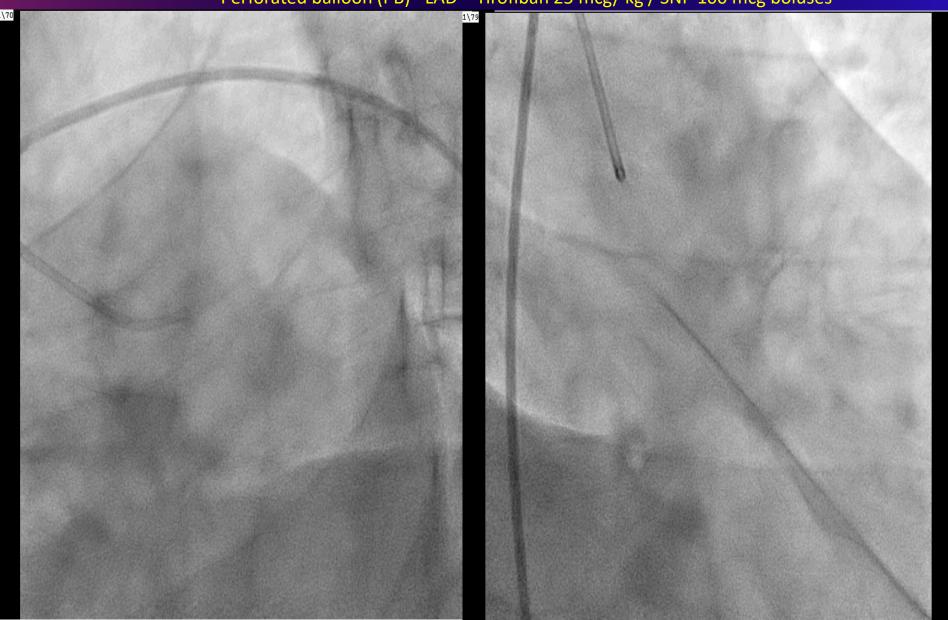
- 40 / M
- Hypertension 2 years
- AWMI window period 2 hours Primary PCI stable hemodynamics
- Echo apical, anterior and septal severe hypokinesia, LVEF 35 %





#### **Options**

- Balloon dilatation undersized small or 1:1 balloon dilatation
- Thrombus aspiration LAD / LCX
- Perforated balloon (PB) LAD Tirofiban 25 mcg/ kg / SNP 100 mcg boluses





# Large thrombus burden – greatest dimension > 2 vessel diameter Distal drug delivery

Proximal Intralesional Distal Intralesional and distal

#### Guide catheter

- Poor distal drug delivery•
- Systemic side effects

#### Clearway catheter

- targeted drug delivery •
- No longer available

#### Thrombectomy catheter Perforated 2x15 mm balloon

- Stiff and bulky
- Difficult to deliver distally •
- Dravimal / distal ambalism
- Proximal / distal embolism •
- Intralesional and distal drug deliver
  - Superior tracking
  - Maintains distal wire

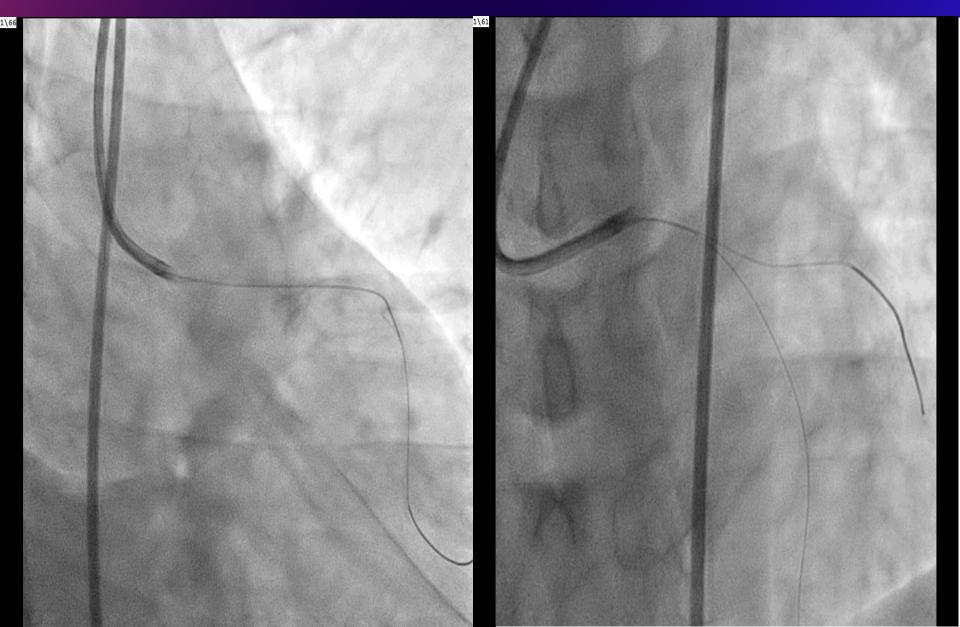


- Right femoral 7 F EBU 3.5 Sion Blue wire
- Perforated balloon (PB) Ostial LAD Tirofiban 25 mcg/ kg / SNP 100 mcg





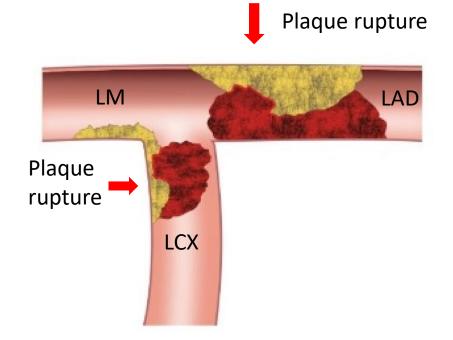
# TIMI II flow distal LAD



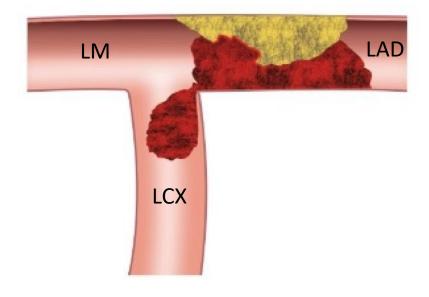


## Option 1

### Option 2



Plaque rupture

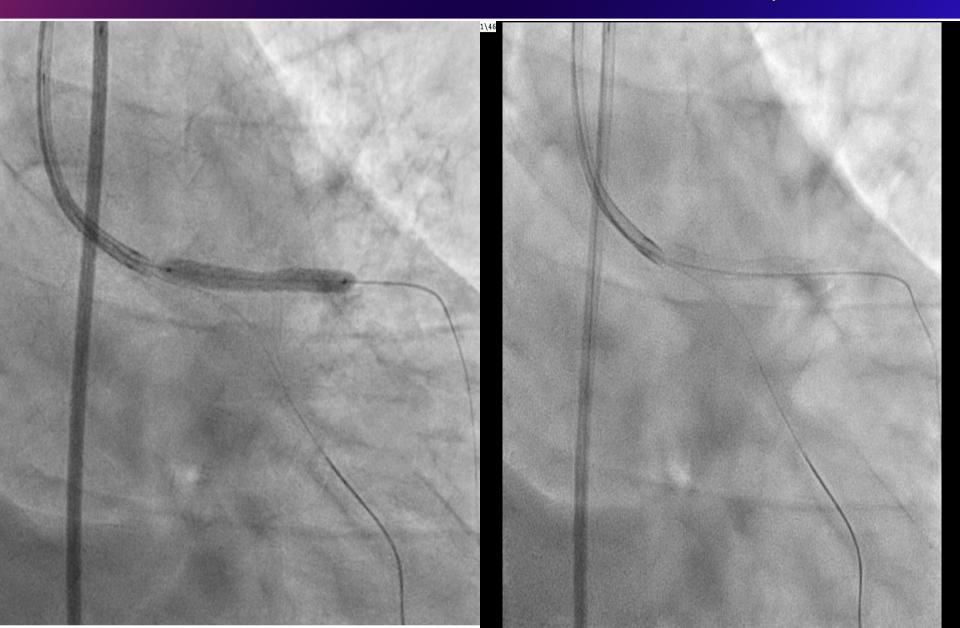


LMCA LAD /LCX - 2 stent DK crush/ TAP

Left main LAD crossover stent Provisional LCX

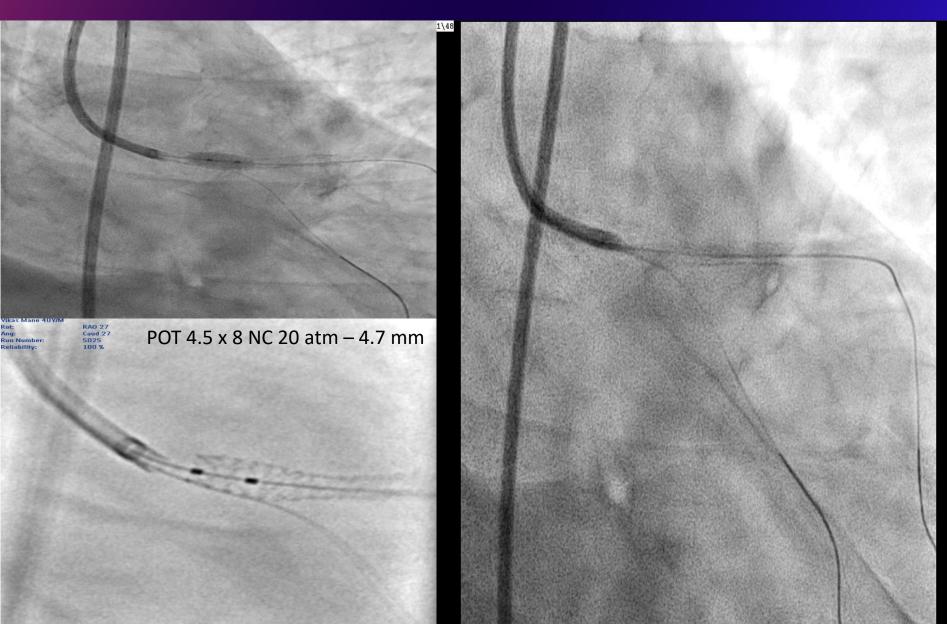


- Followed option 2
   Treat DES 3.5 x 29 nominal, LCX thrombus persistent



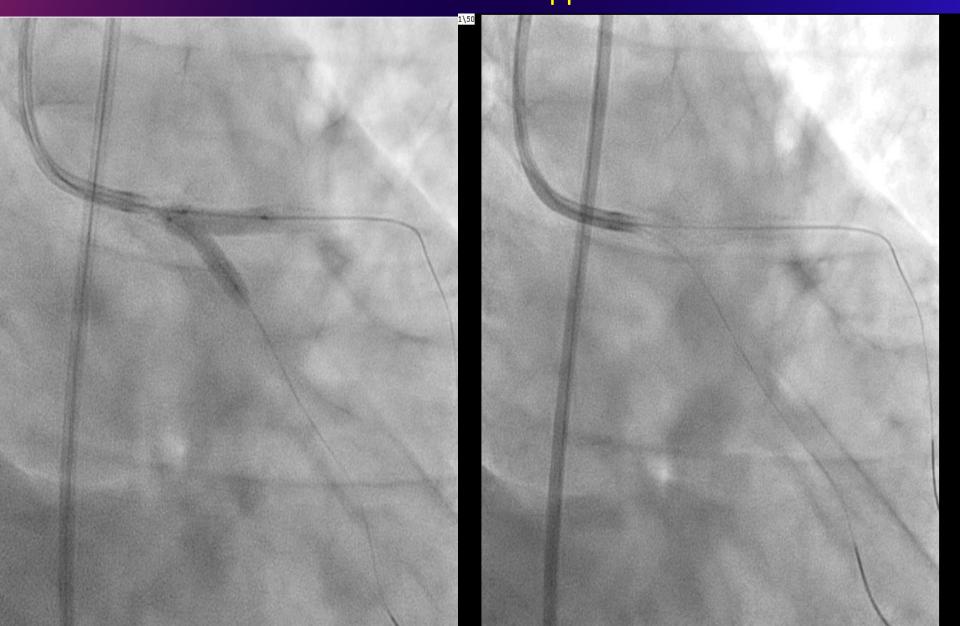


POT 4.5 x 8 NC, LCX thrombus persistent



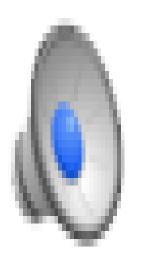


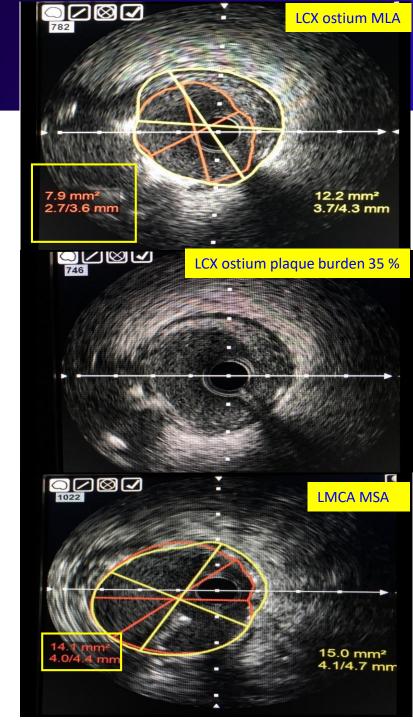
KBT – 2 - 3.5 x 15 NC – 2 step – 20/10/10, LCX thrombus disappeared

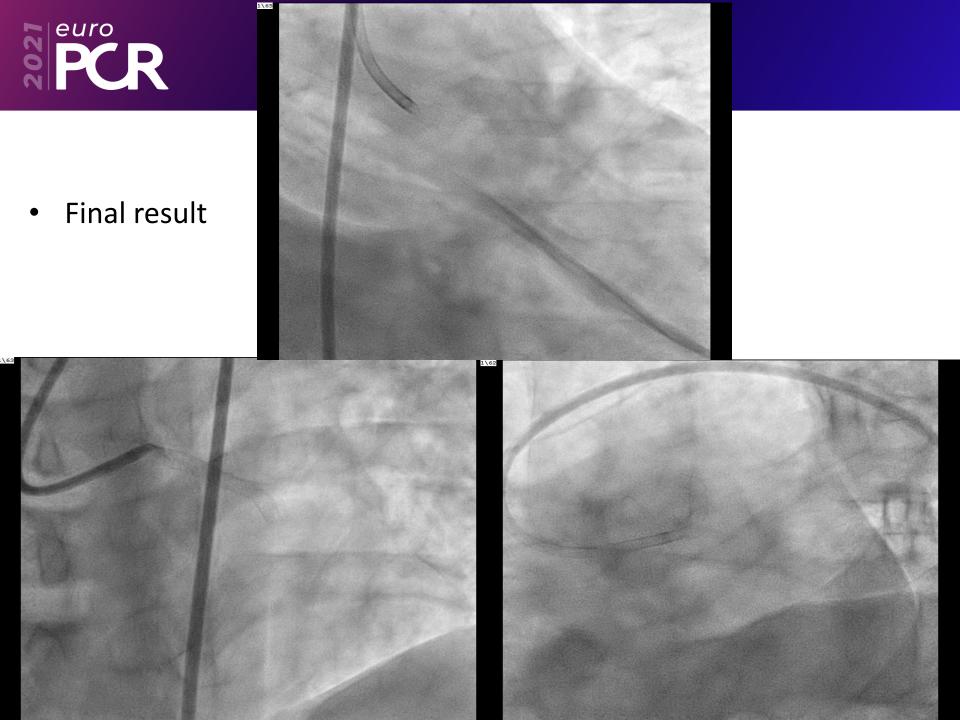




# LM – LCX pullback









# Conclusion

- LAD ostial occlusion and LCX ostial sub-total thrombus is scary situation. Even transient slow/ no flow in LCX would have been life threatening. In hemodynamically unstable no flow in PPCI intracoronary adrenaline is a life drug.
- Perforated balloon has smaller profile and better trackability as compared to thrombus aspiration catheter and has lesser chances of proximal and distal thrombus embolization.
- Rupture in single left main LAD plaque with thrombus extension to LCX ostium is most plausible explanation for this lesion subset.
- Provisional stenting with less metal in left main bifurcation (whenever feasible) is always a better strategy.
- Post procedure IVUS delineating plaque burden and minimal lumen area in non-stented vessel provides objective evidence of good result.