#### A Glossary of CTO PCI Techniques and Skills

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### The CTO Conundrum...

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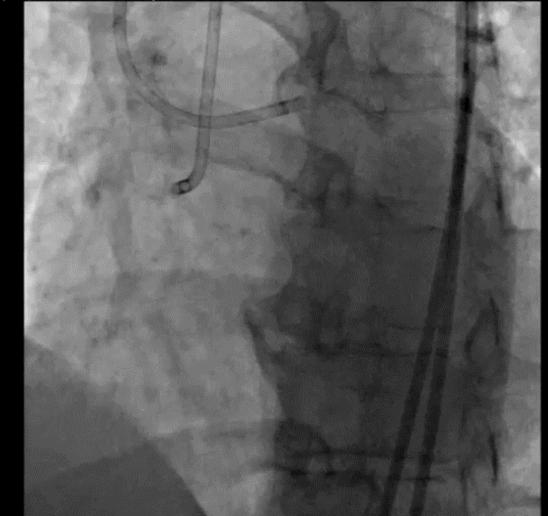
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## A Different Patient... His identical twin

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Why Do We Treat This So Differently? c/o D. Karmpaliotis

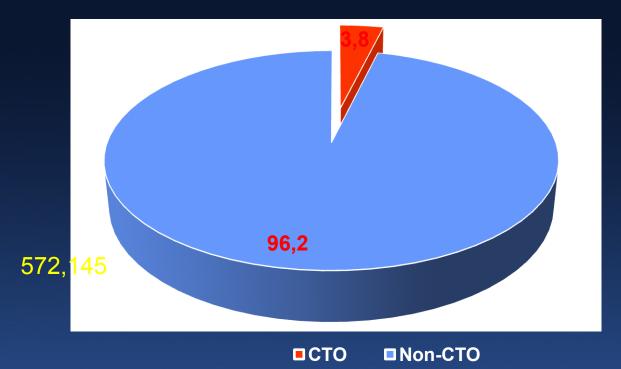






#### 594,510 procedures

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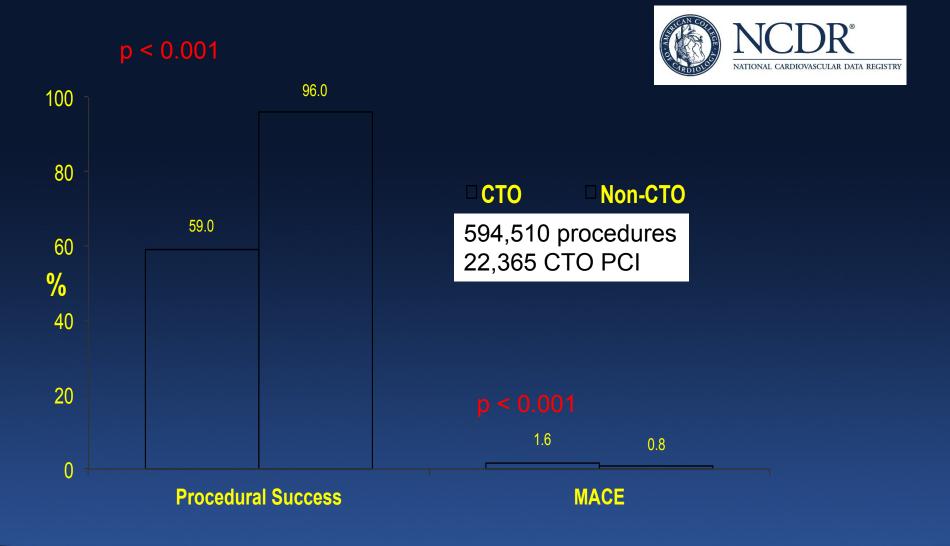


# 234 of 1,387 sites (17%) never performed CTO PCI Operators % CTO PCI IQR: 0.3% to 4.9%

Brilakis et al, JACC Cardiovasc Intv 2014 – in press

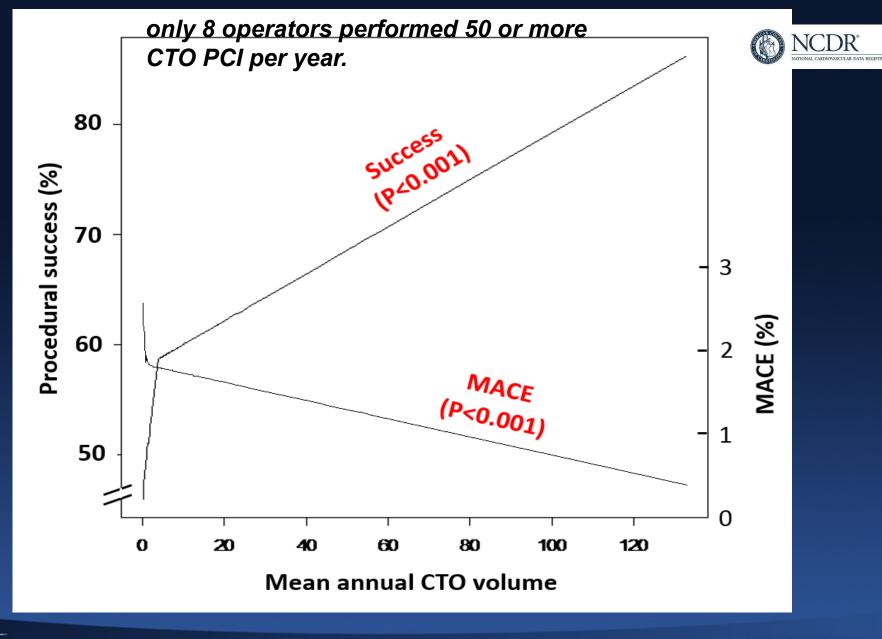


#### Procedural success and MACE





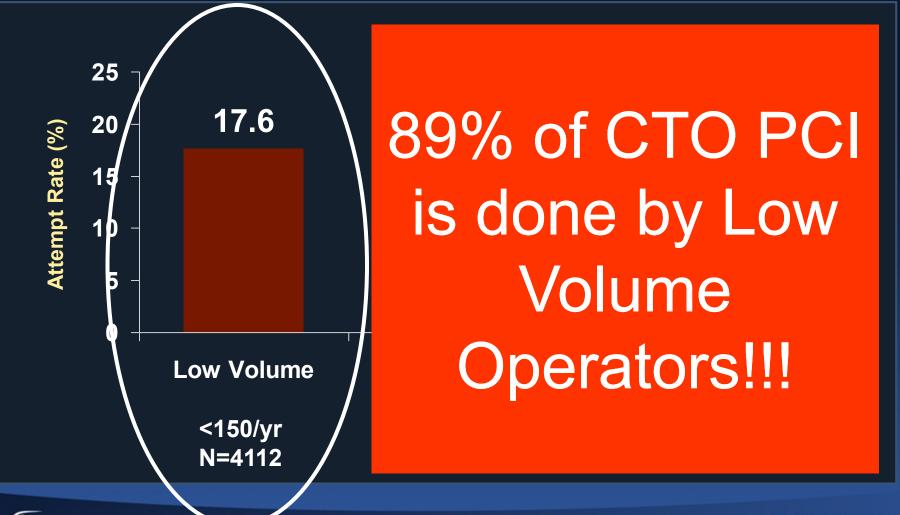






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#### Who Is Performing my CTO PCI? ACC/NCDR Database: 45,826 CTO Patients





Grantham et al, I2 Summit 2007



## Reasons Interventionalists Do Less CTO PCI Than We Should

- Complexity is greater and training is less
- Success rates of CTO procedures are lower
- Risks of CTO procedures are potentially higher
- Time/Costs

Many operators shun CTOs because they feel that CTO PCI is inherently more risky (and less successful than standard PCI), and the benefits are less clearly intuitive





## Fundamentals of CTO PCI in 2015

- The indications for the case do not change just because the lesion is "harder to treat"
  - The risk/benefit equation can be modified with CTO-specific training and techniques!





#### There is PCI and there is CTO PCI

**CTO PCI Vocabulary** Antegrade Retrograde Hybrid **Wire Escalation Dissection Re-Entry** CART **Reverse CART/Confluent Balloons** Dancing **Surfing/Tip Injection** Trap/Retrograde Trap Anchor Western Prep **Power Knuckle/Knuckle Management Knuckle Re-Direct/Pilot Re-Direct** 

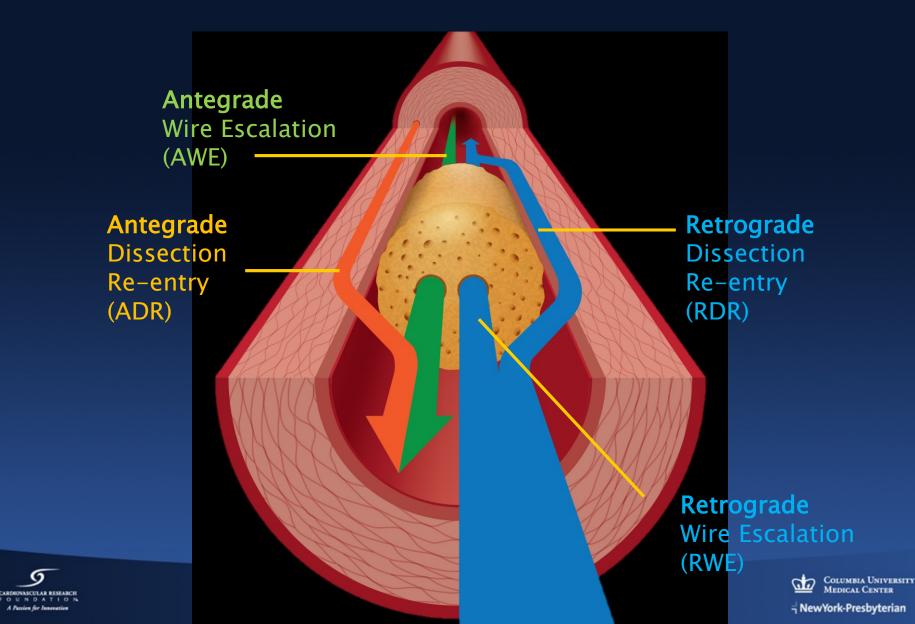


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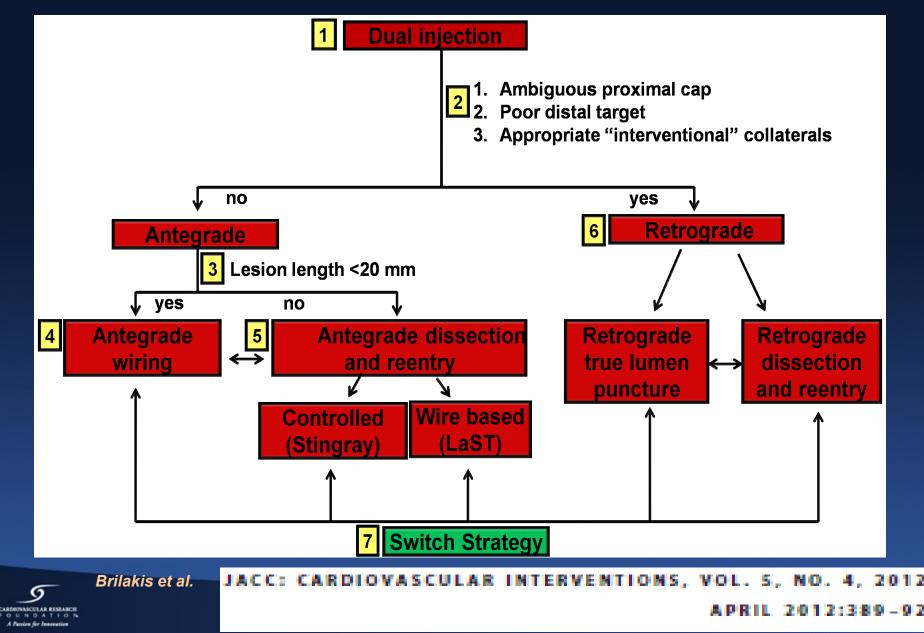


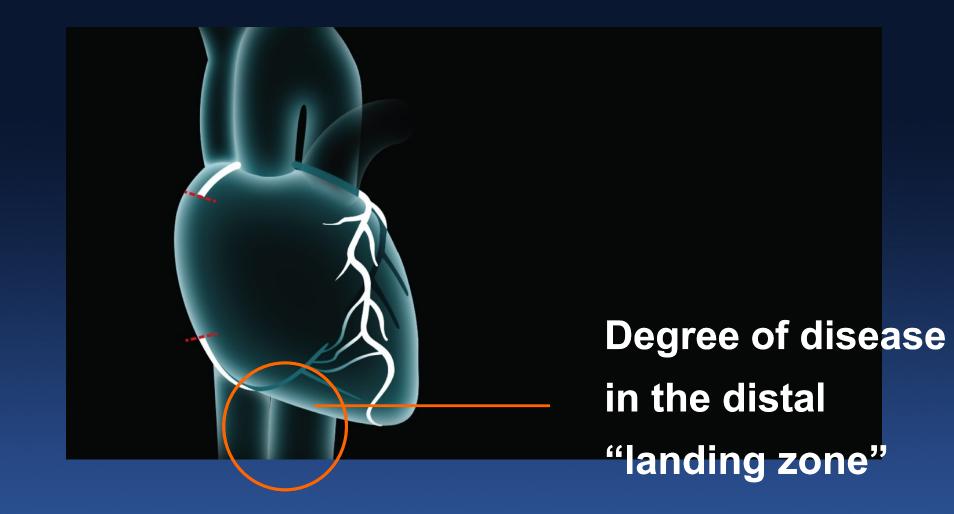
There is PCI and there is CTO PCI **Base of Operations STAR/Mini STAR** LAST **Guideliner Assisted Reverse CART/Contemproary R-CART/Laser Assisted R-CART/Stent Assisted R-CART Stick and Swap** Scratch and Go **Bob Sled** Straw/Modified Straw Tip In **Carlino/Retrograde Carlino** Cloud **Rendez Vous Grenedoplasty/BAM VDAR** SKRAT Landing Zone/Management of the Landing Zone/Management of the

#### 4 options to crossing CTOs



### **Hybrid Strategy Treatment Algorithm**



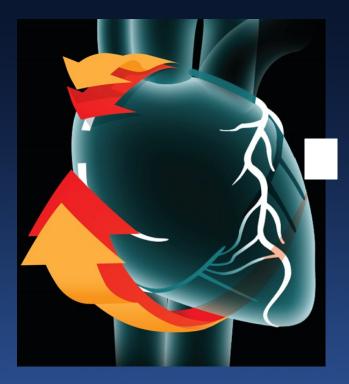






#### **Base of Operation**

- Term describing the location in the vessel at which the operator is trying to employ techniques to cross the CTO or utilize re-entry strategies to enter the true lumen

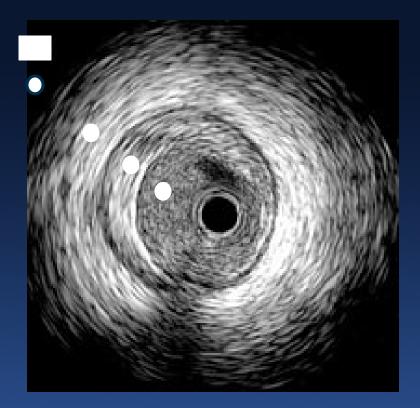






#### **Vessel Architecture**

 Term used in reference to the location of a guidewire in an effort to distinguish its binary location of either outside of the vessel (i.e. in the pericardial space) or anywhere within the three layers of the target vessel

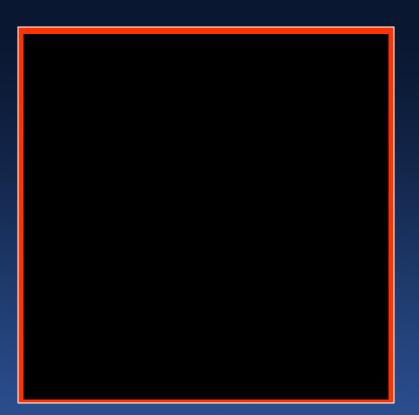






#### **Knuckle Wire**

 Creating a blunt dissection tool by forward advancing a polymerjacketed guidewire (Fielder XT or Pilot 200) until it prolapses on itself to form a tight loop which can be advanced past the occlusion in the suboptimal space



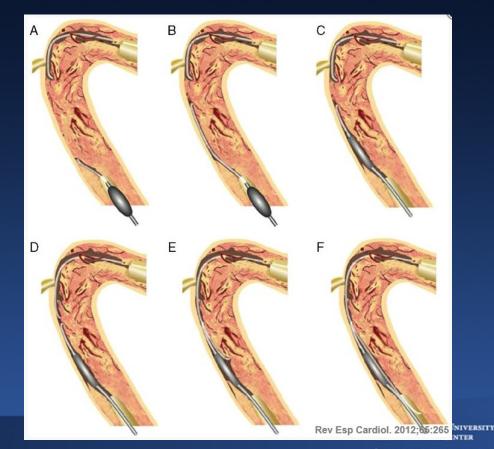




#### CART

#### **Controlled Antegrade and Retrograde Tracking**

Technique to facilitate reentry of the antegrade wire into the distal true lumen by balloon inflation over the retrograde guidewire creating a space for the antegrade guidewire to be advanced

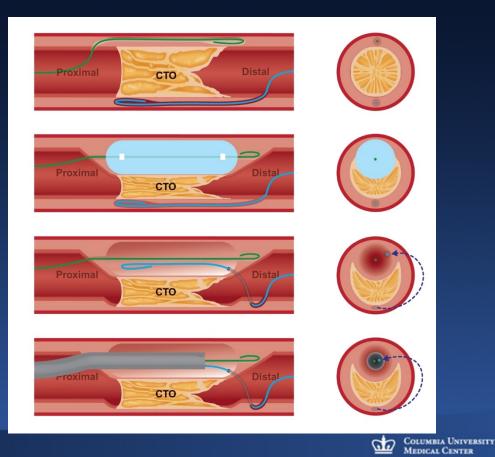




#### **Reverse CART**

#### **Reverse Controlled Antegrade and Retrograde Tracking**

- Technique to facilitate reentry of the retrograde wire into the antegrade true lumen by balloon inflation over the antegrade wire to create a potential space for the retrograde wire to be advanced
- Most common retrograde re-entry technique



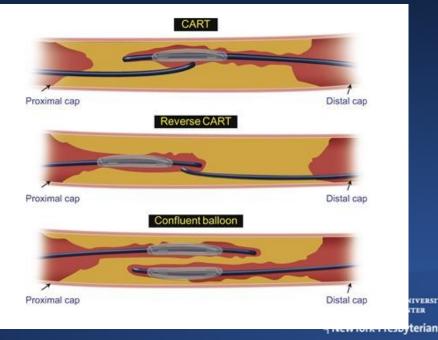
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#### **Confluent Balloon Technique**

Iteration of CART / Reverse CART in which a balloon is inflated on both the antegrade and retrograde wires in a kissing fashion to cause the subintimal space to become confluent, allowing wire advancement into the true lumen





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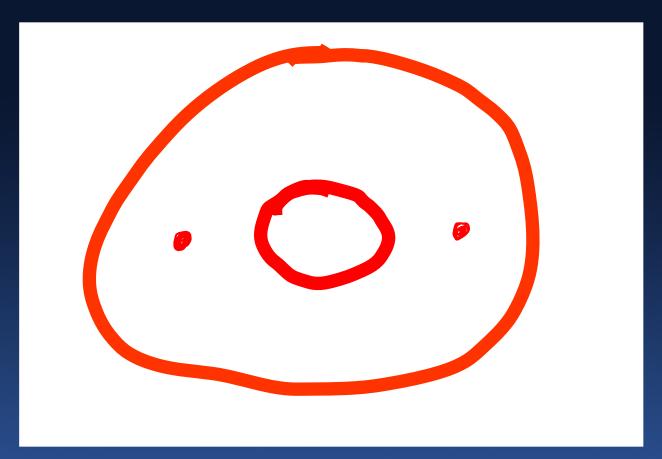








Retrograde





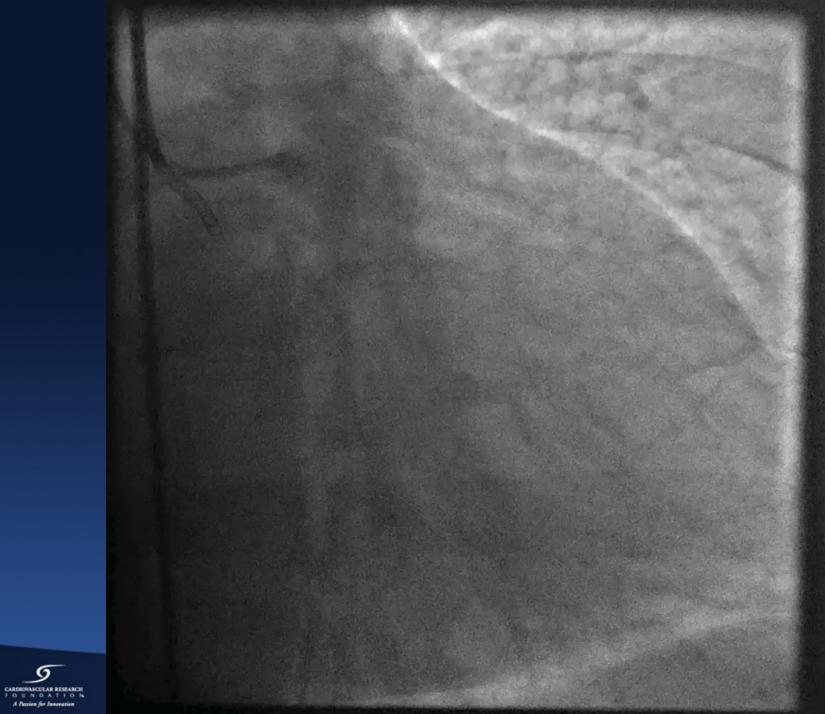




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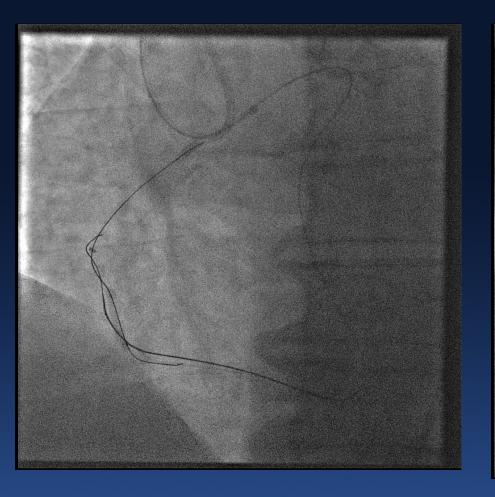
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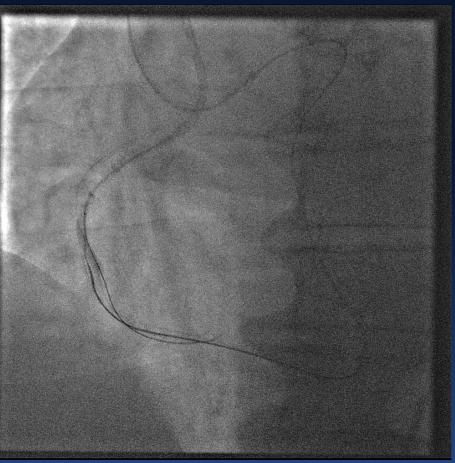


Antegrade: BMW Pilot 200 Miracle 6 Guideliner

Retrograde: Corsair (long) Miracle 6



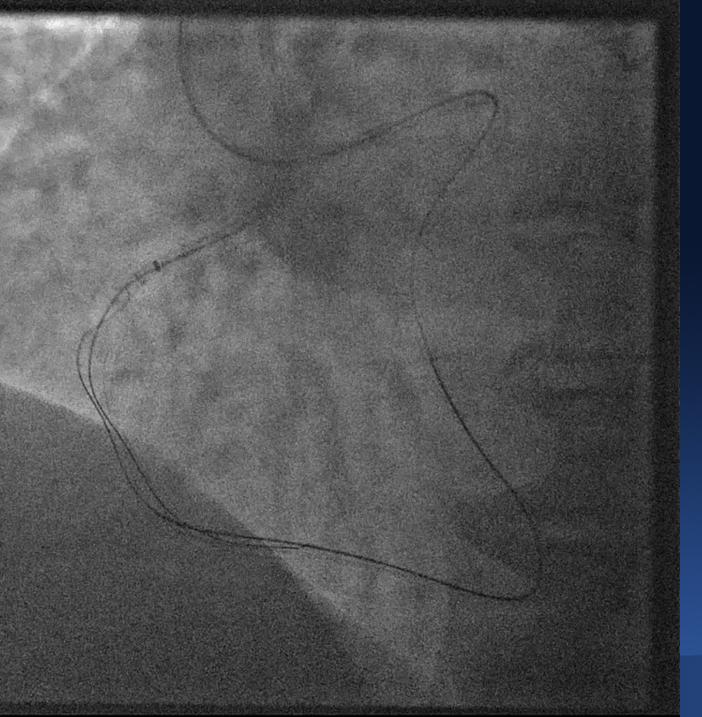




#### Emerge 3.0x20mm, 12atm



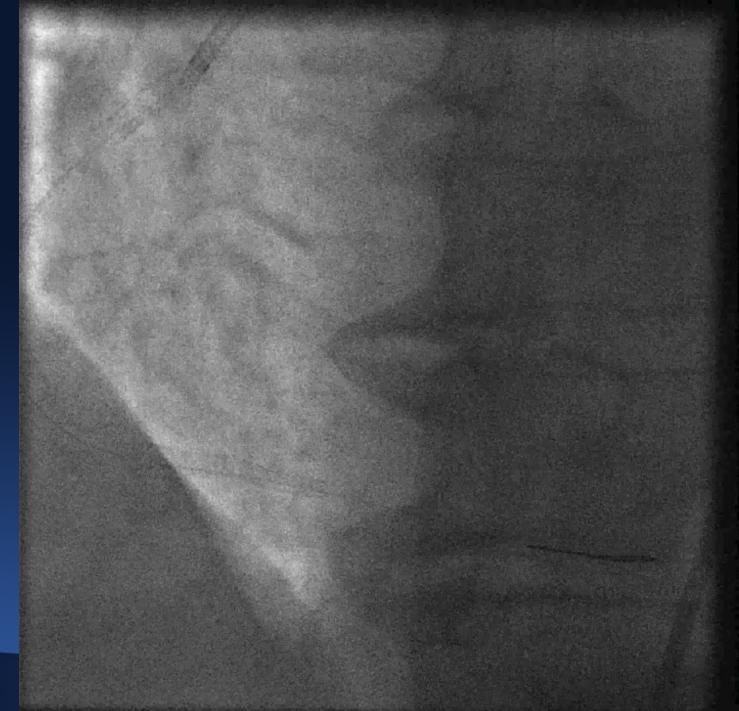




Retrograde: Corsair (long) Miracle 6 Confianza Pro 12

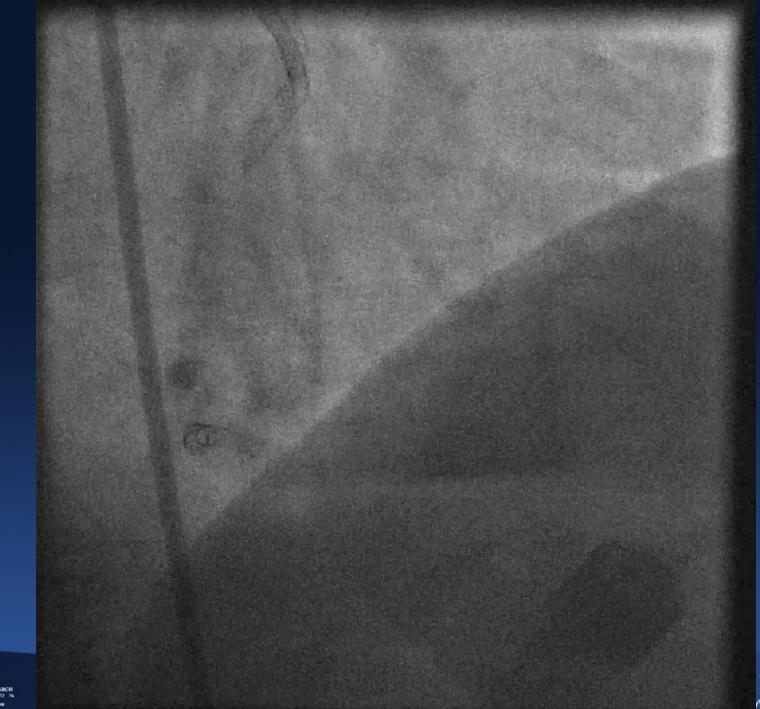
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#### **Antegrade Dissection Re-Entry (ADR)**





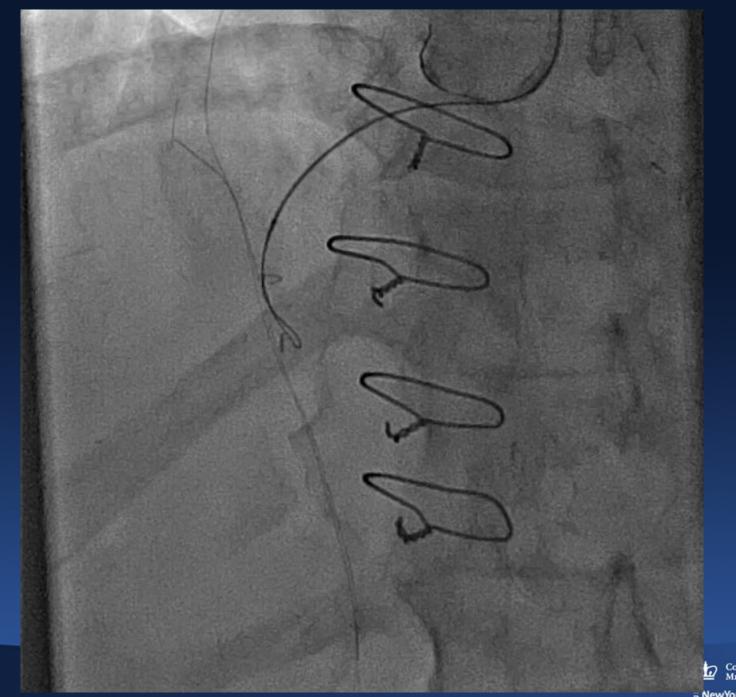






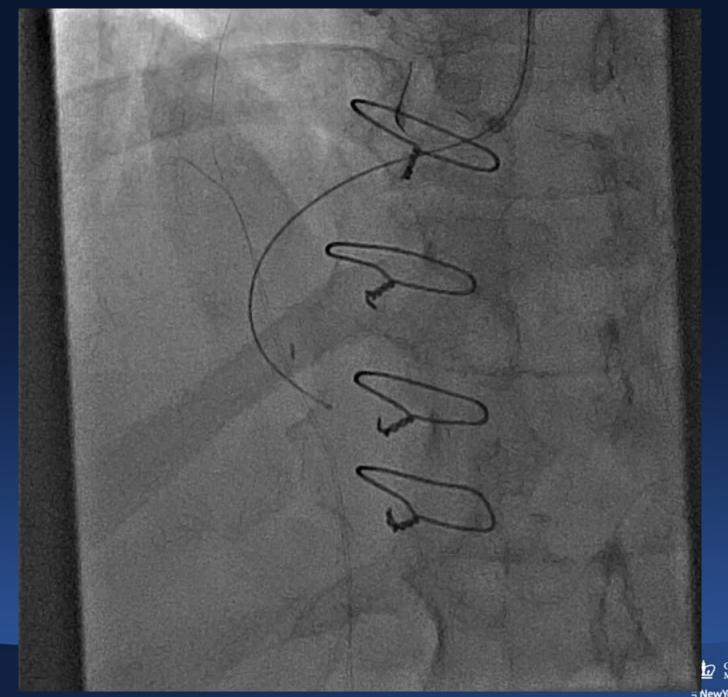








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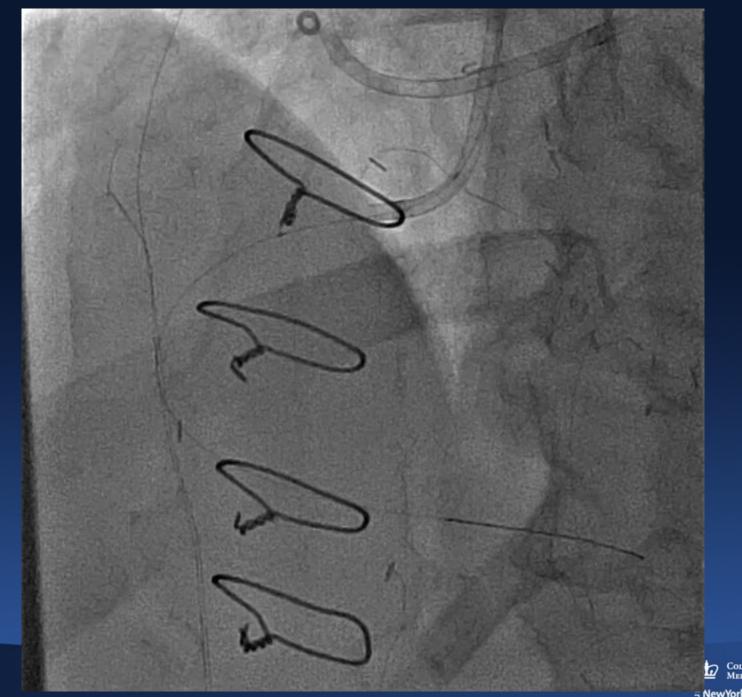


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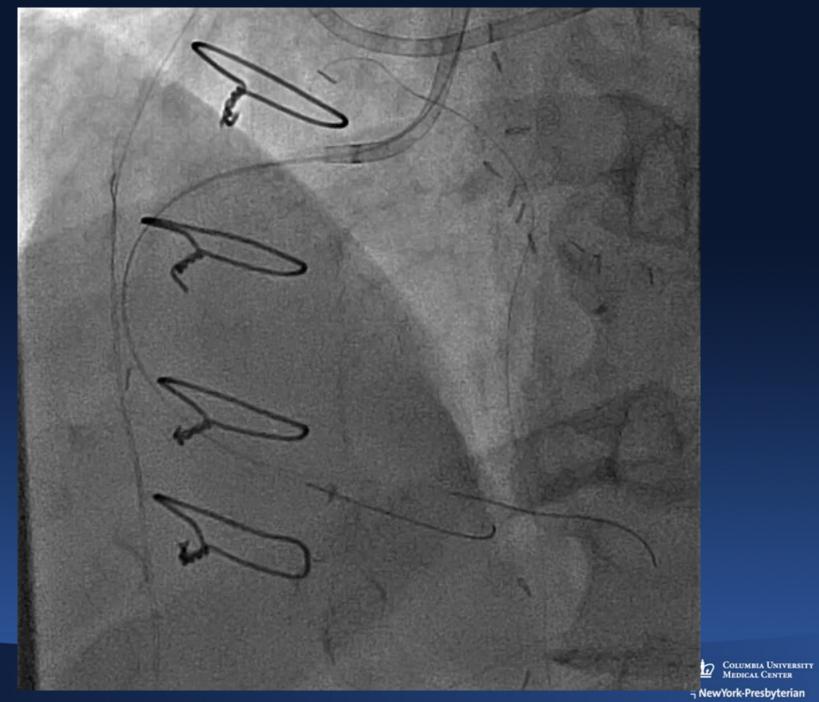
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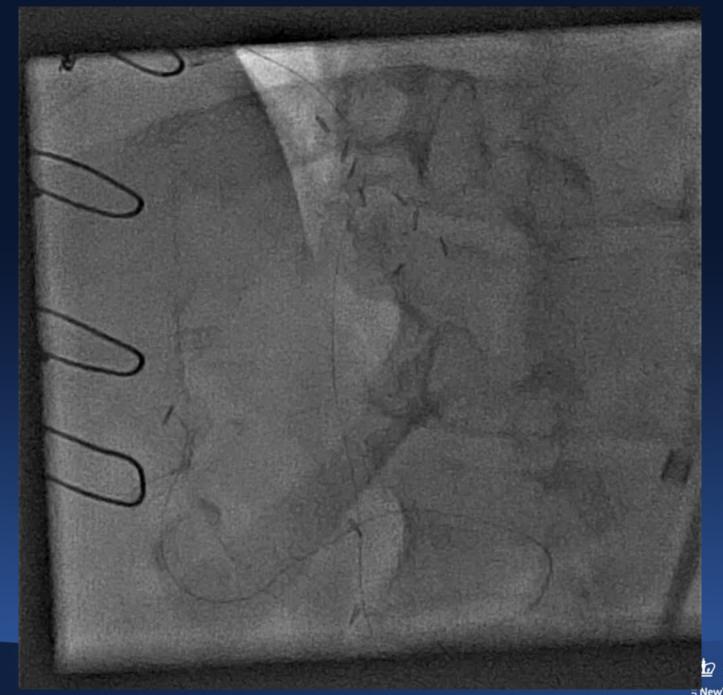


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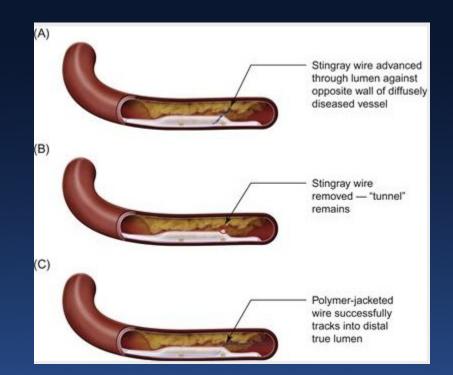






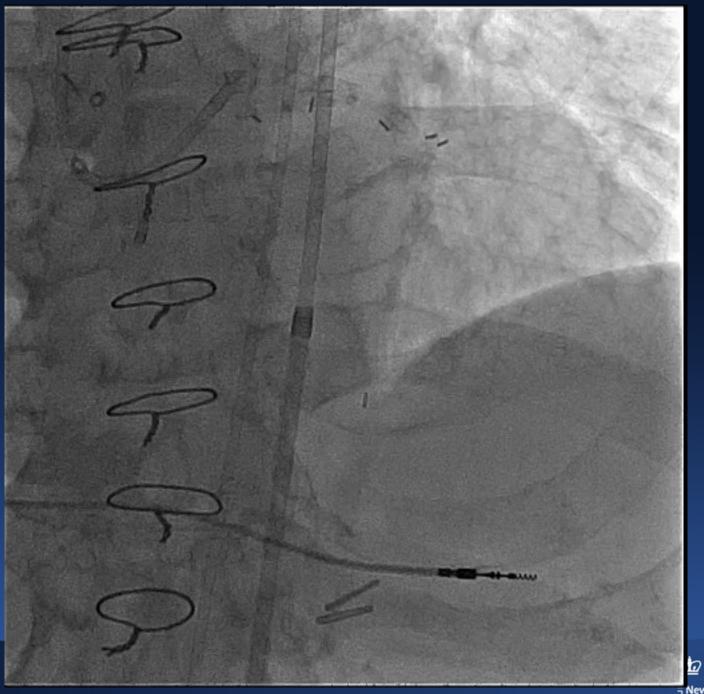
## Stick and Swap

 Method of reentry in which an initial puncture into the true lumen from the Stingray balloon sideport is performed with the Stingray wire. This wire is removed and a Pilot 200 guidewire is advanced through the same tunnel created by the Stingray wire into the distal true lumen.

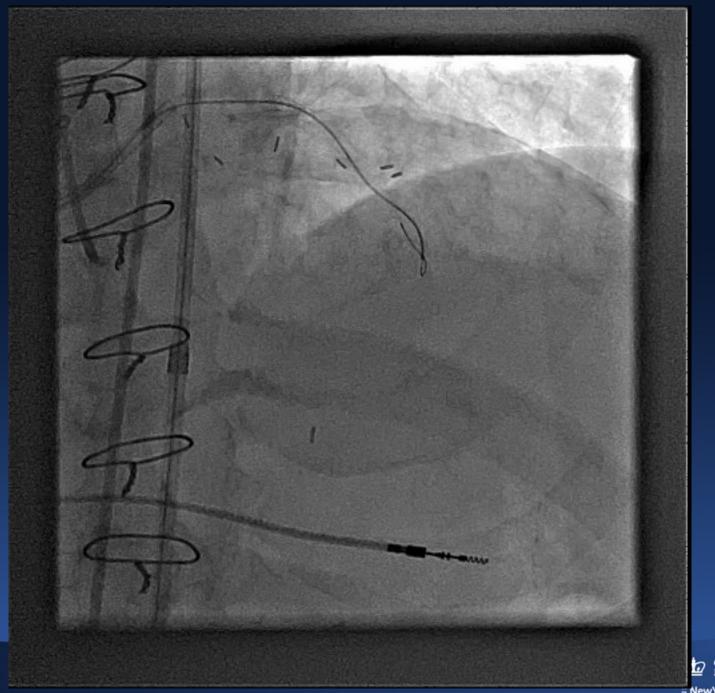










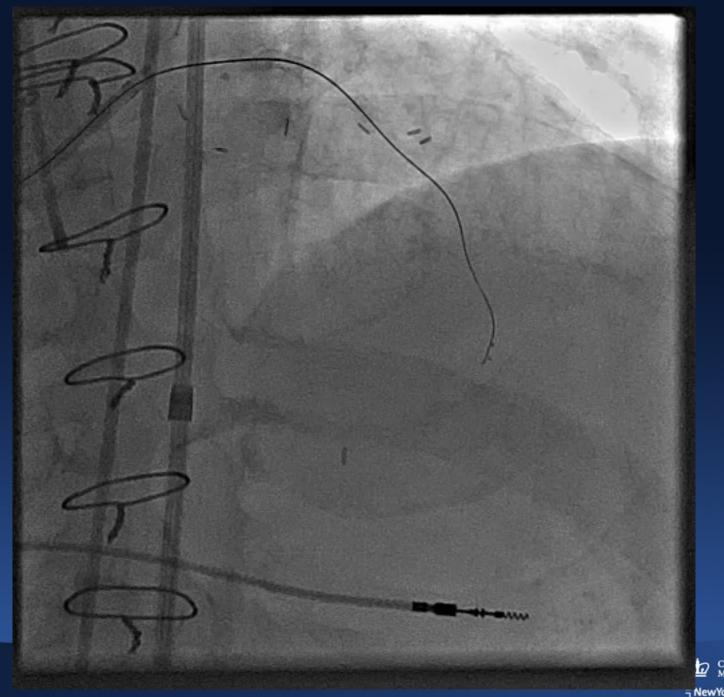








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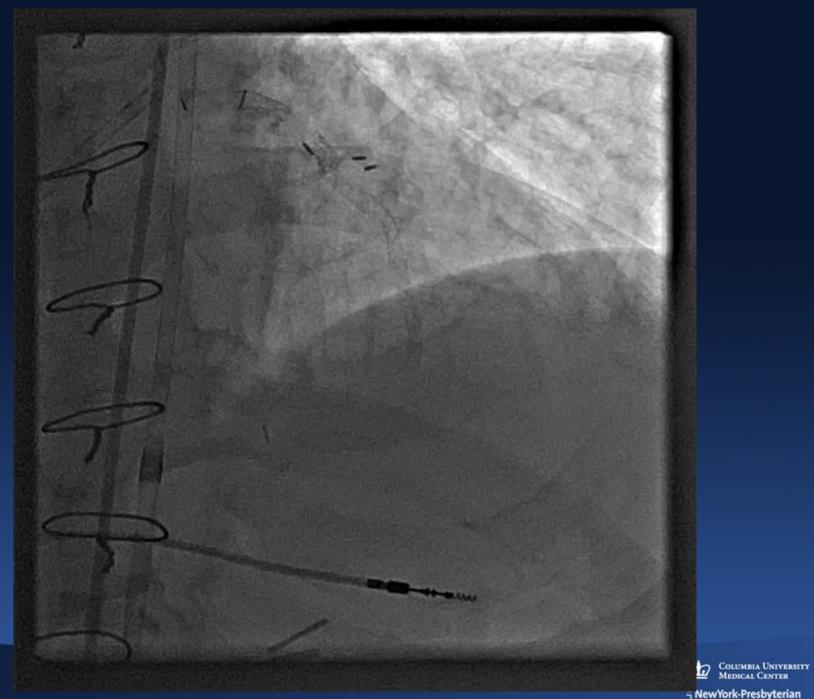






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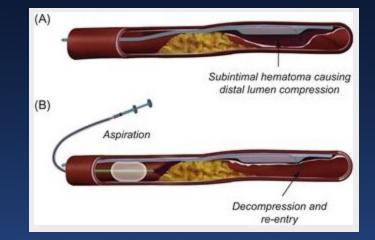


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### STRAW

#### Subintimal Transcatheter Withdrawal

 Method used to aspirate subintimal hematoma which may develop in the dissection plane by placing an over the wire balloon or microcatheter next to the Stingray balloon and aspirating.







### LAST

#### Limited Antegrade Subintimal Tracking

 Antegrade re-entry technique accomplished by entering the subintimal space and then using a stiff guidewire with 90 degree bend to "catch" tissue and puncture through the subintimal flap and re-enter the true lumen down stream from the occluded segment



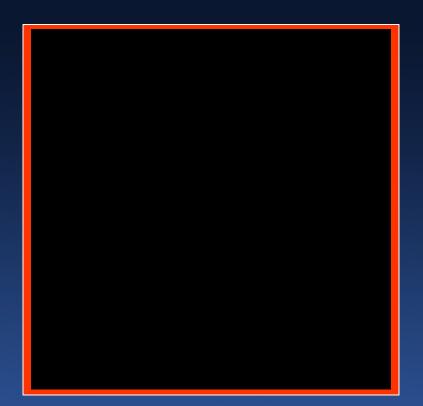




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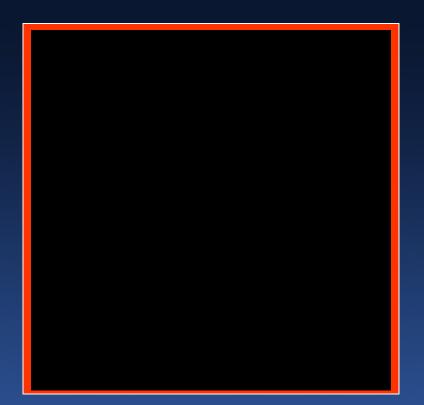




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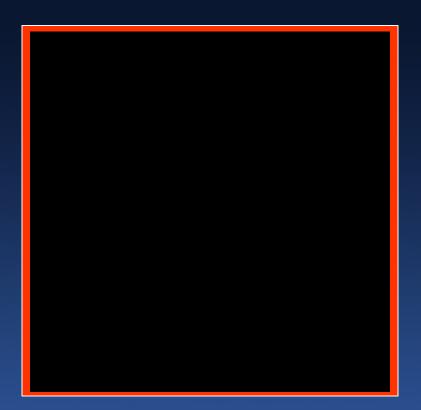




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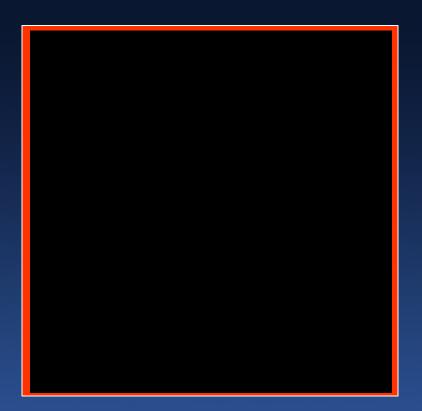




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## Carlino – Contrast-guided STAR

 Technique described by Mauro Carlino in which an antegrade dissection is created and a microcatheter is advanced into the false lumen and contrast is injected to create a visualized dissection plane to allow guidewire advancement





# **BAM or Grenadoplasty**

#### **Balloon Assisted Micro-dissection**

- Small (1.2-1.5 mm) balloon is advanced as far as possible into the proximal cap and is then inflated until the balloon ruptures resulting in cap fracture or small hydraulic dissection planes created around the cap to allow subintimal access to advance past the occluded segment or further advancement of a second balloon

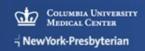




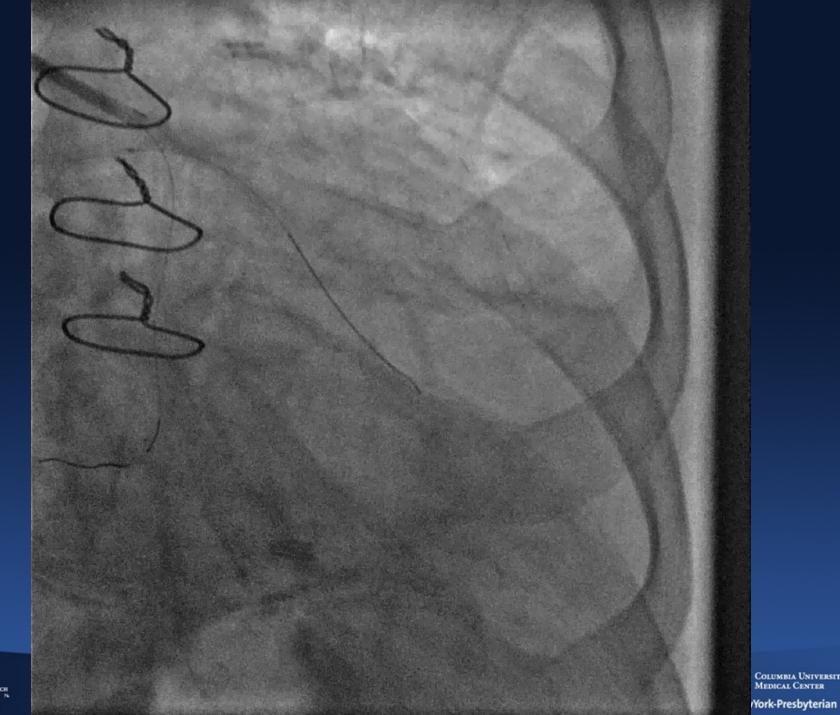


## **Skills/Skillsets**

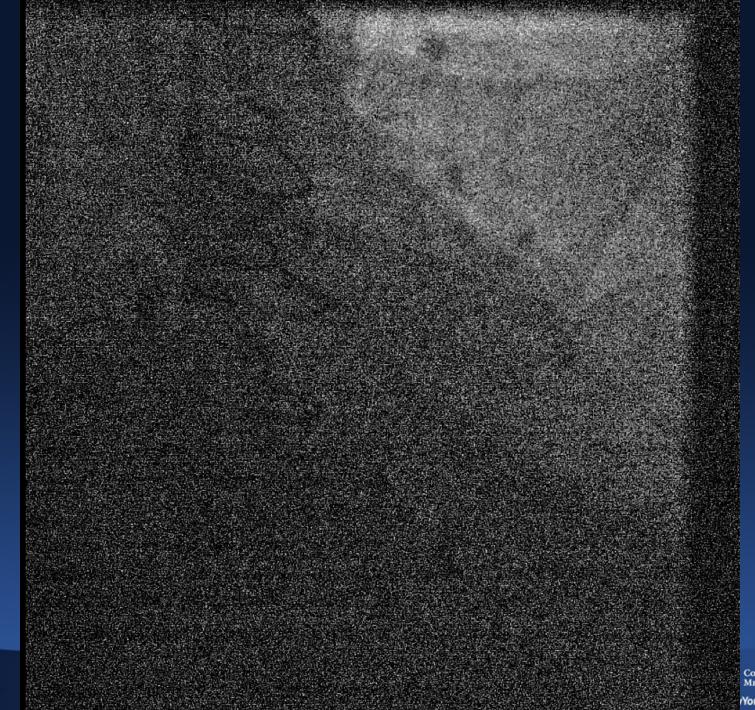




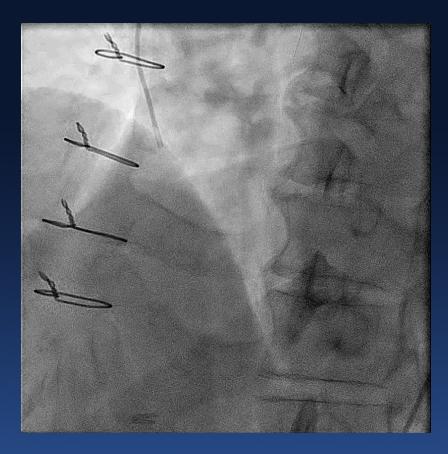




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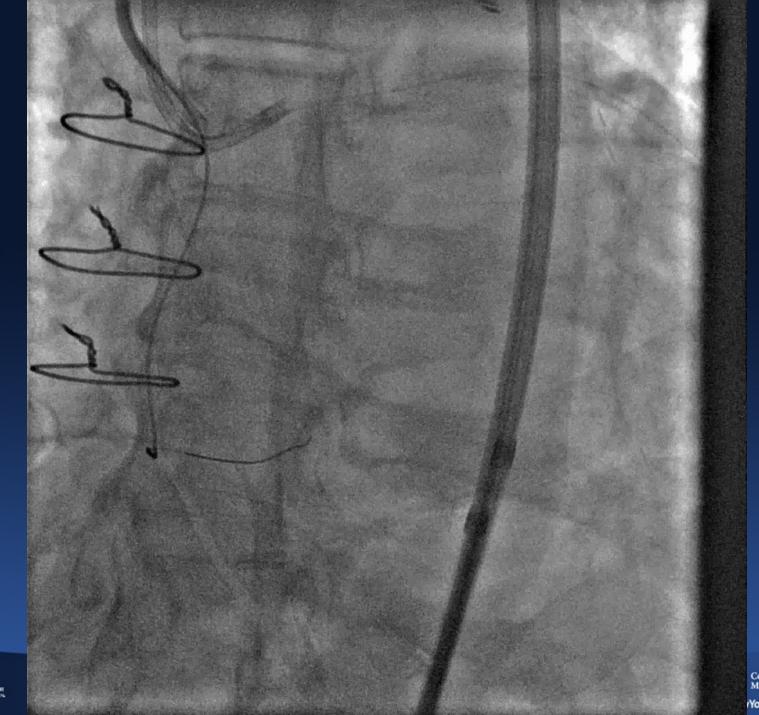


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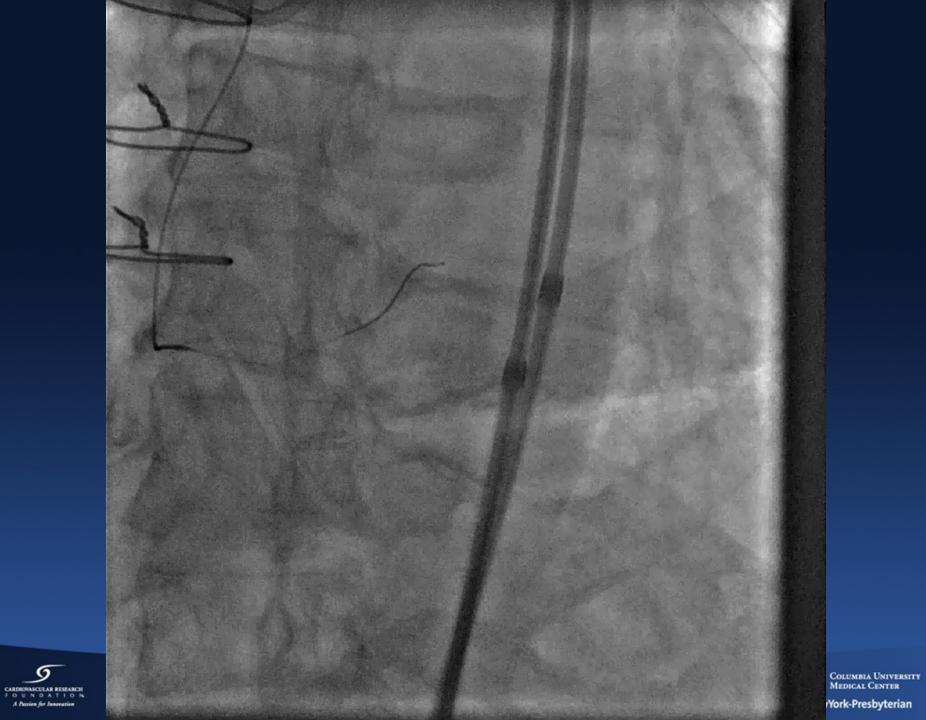


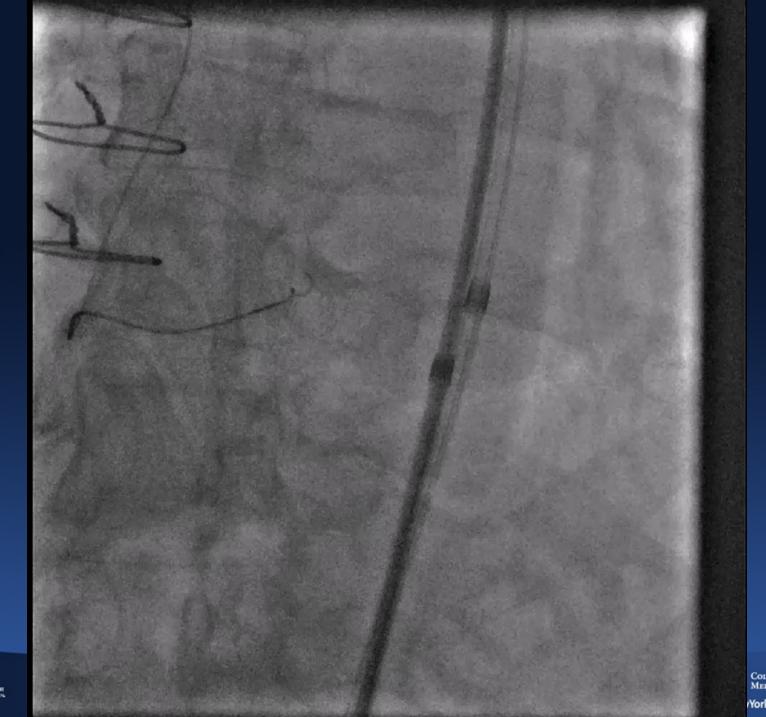




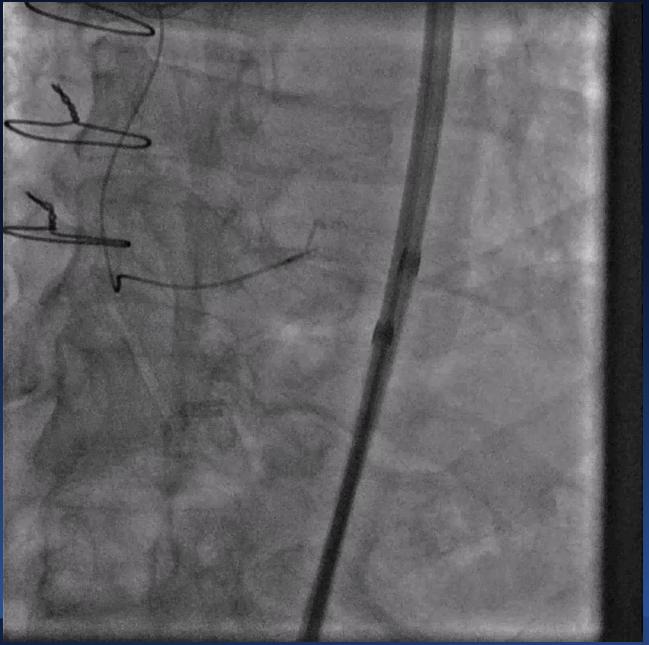
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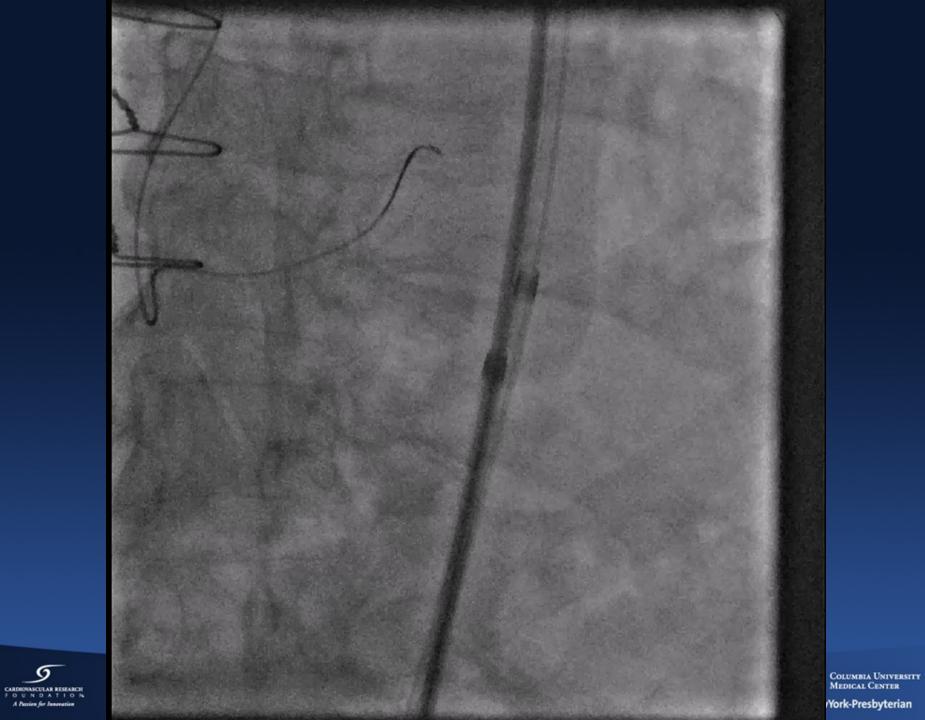


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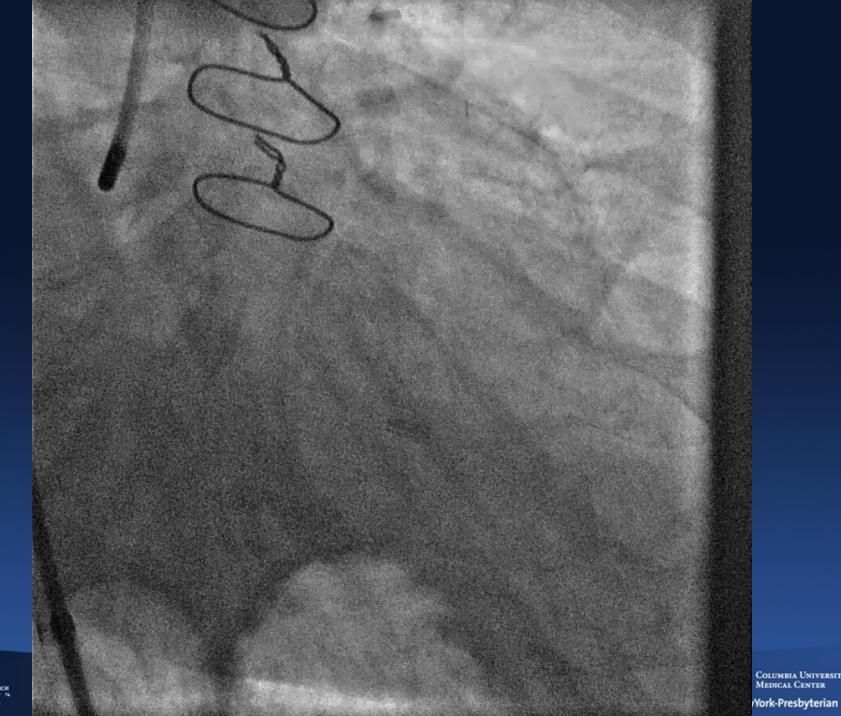
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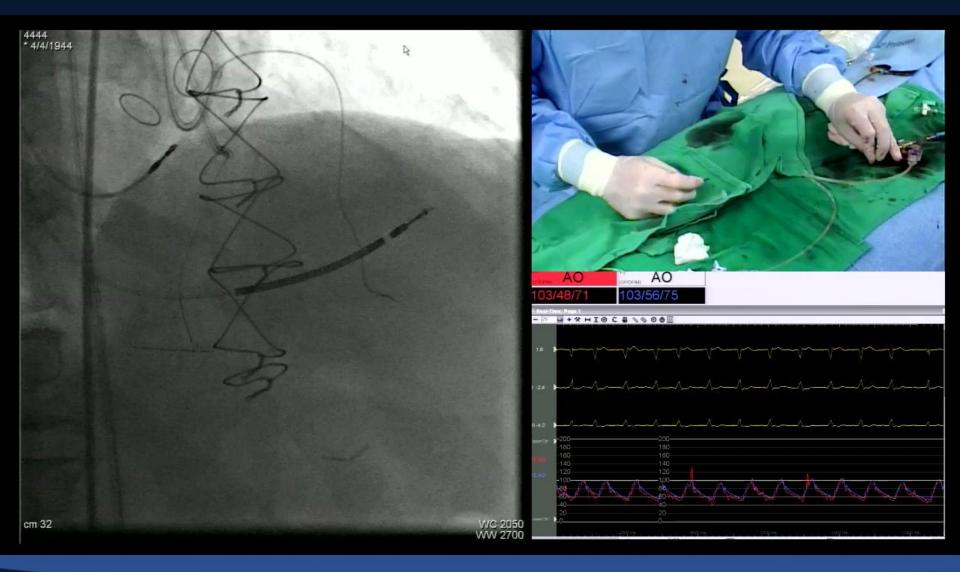




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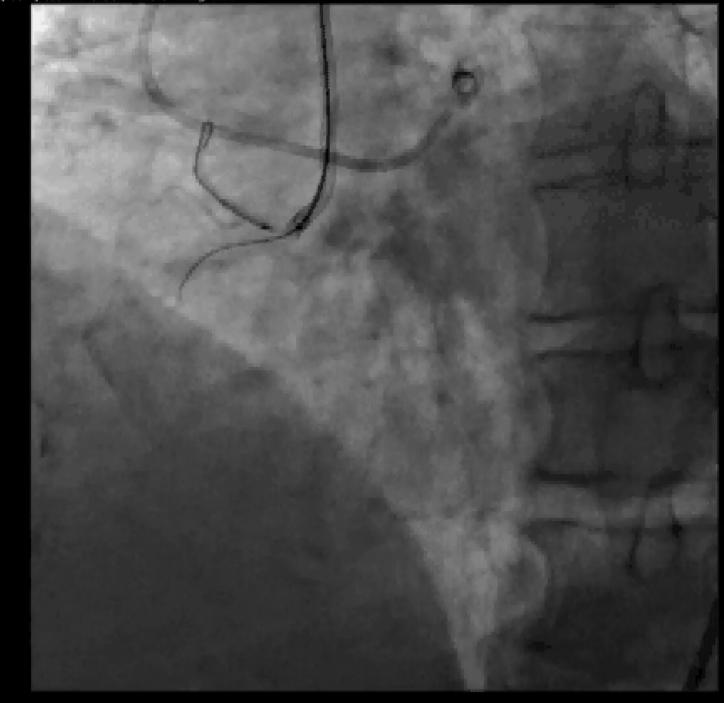
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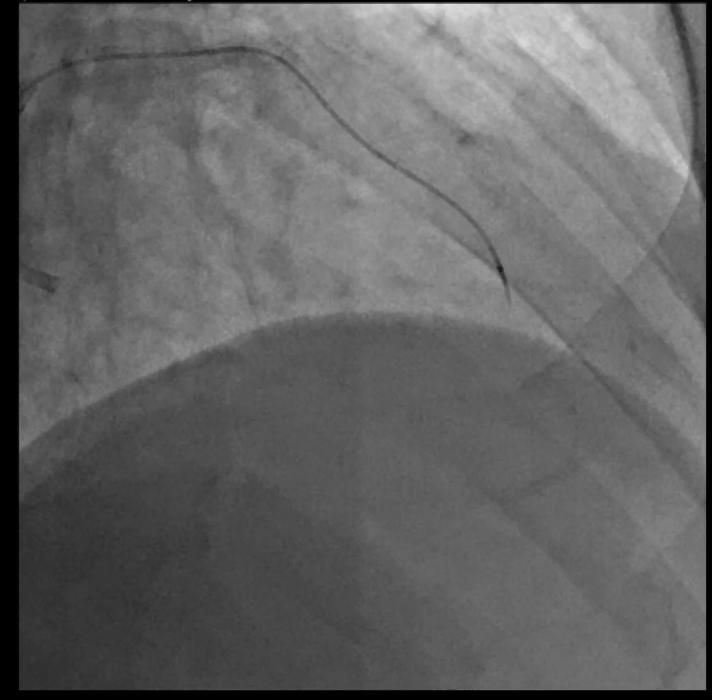


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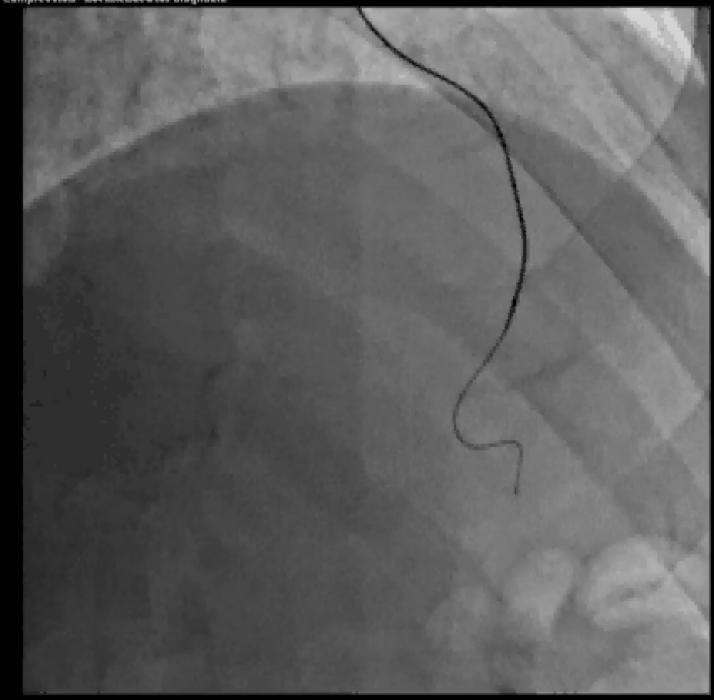




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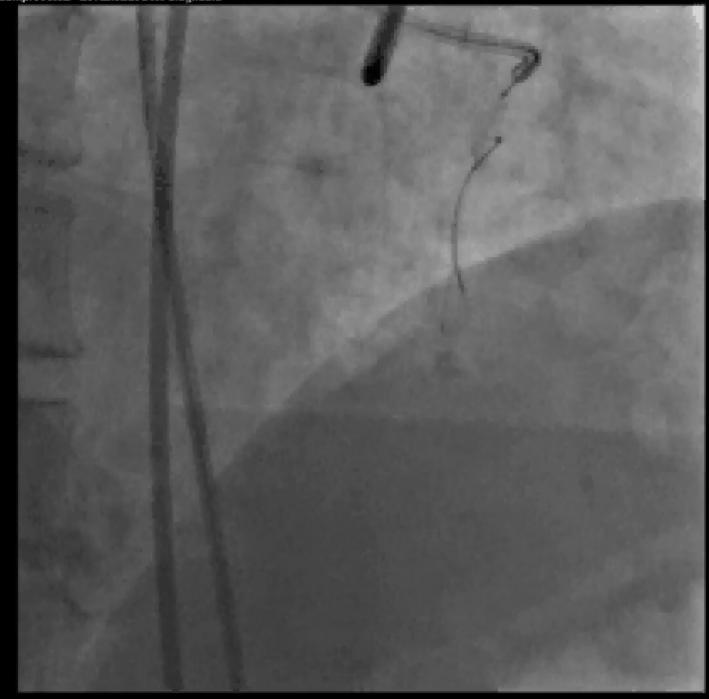
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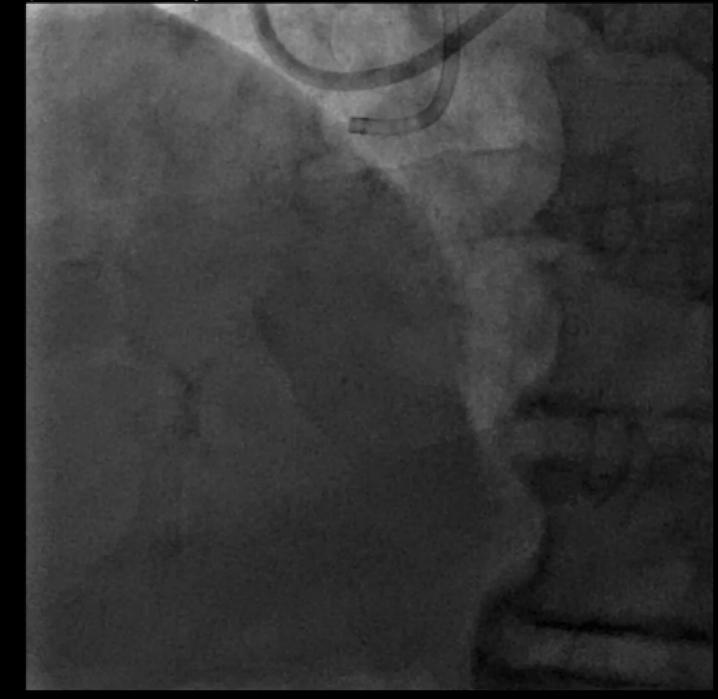
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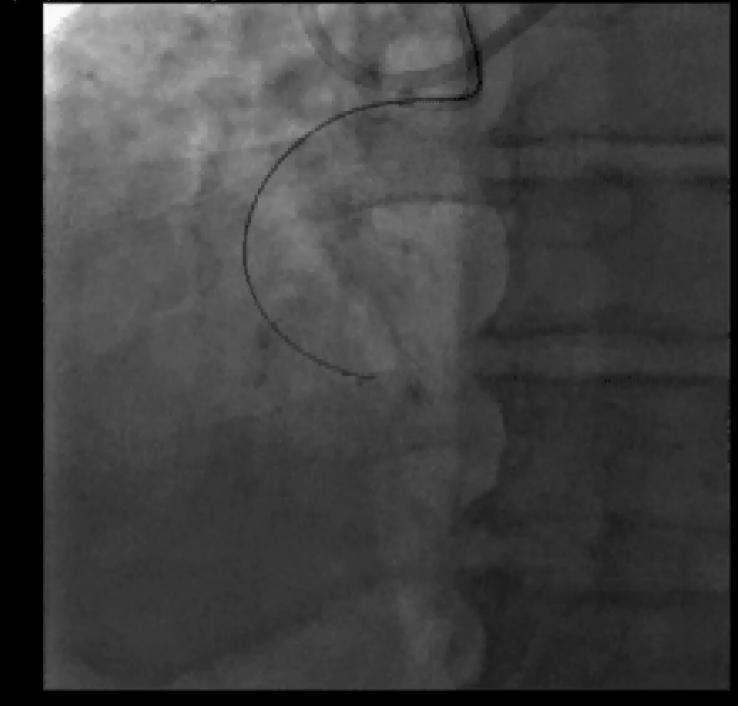
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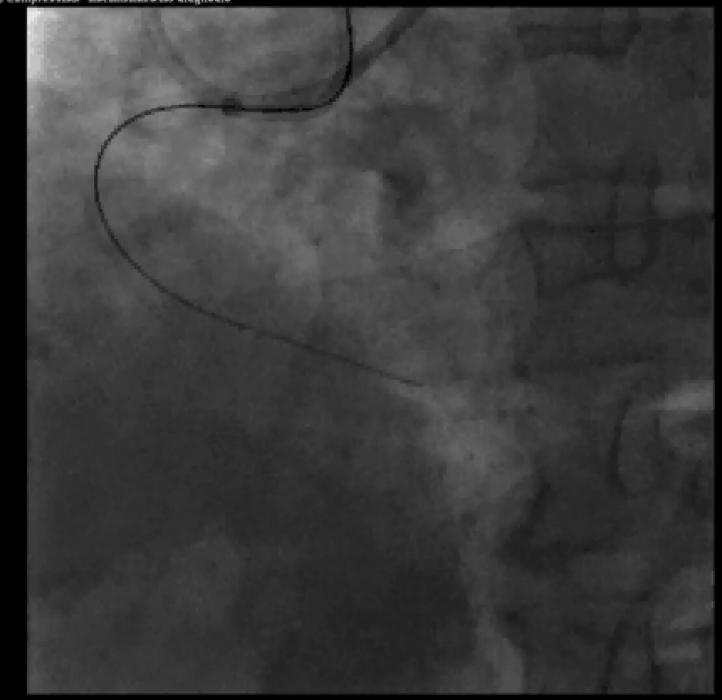
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**Two 8x45 Bright tip sheaths** 

**Start wiring Epicardial Collaterals** 

Intentionally dissect vessels

Inflating 3.5 and 4.0 balloons in the sub-intimal space

**Perform Reverse CART** 

**Externalize wires** 

Occupy the lab for 4 hours Give 6 Grays of radiation and 400 cc of contrast to your first PCI case Use 7 wires, 9 balloons and implant 4 stents

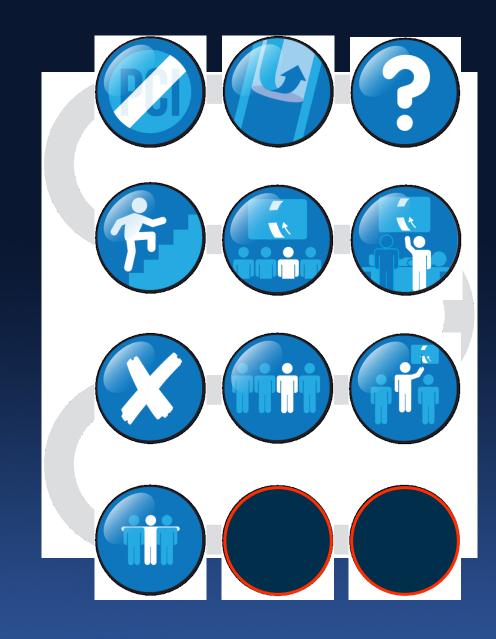














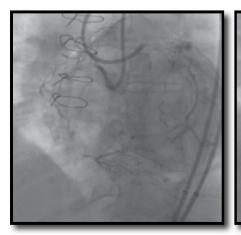






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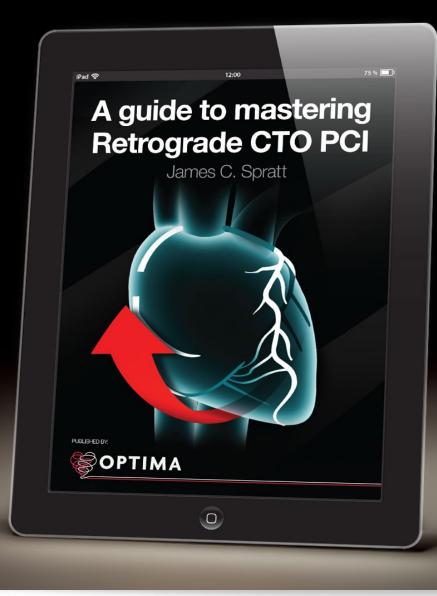


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