

IVUS with OCT

Case Studies

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OCT Basics and Artifacts

- Requires blood free environment so must flush with contrast during imaging run.
- Automated pull back run
- Catheter is easily delivered
- Not good for aorto ostial lesions
- Less tissue penetration

A; blood artifact

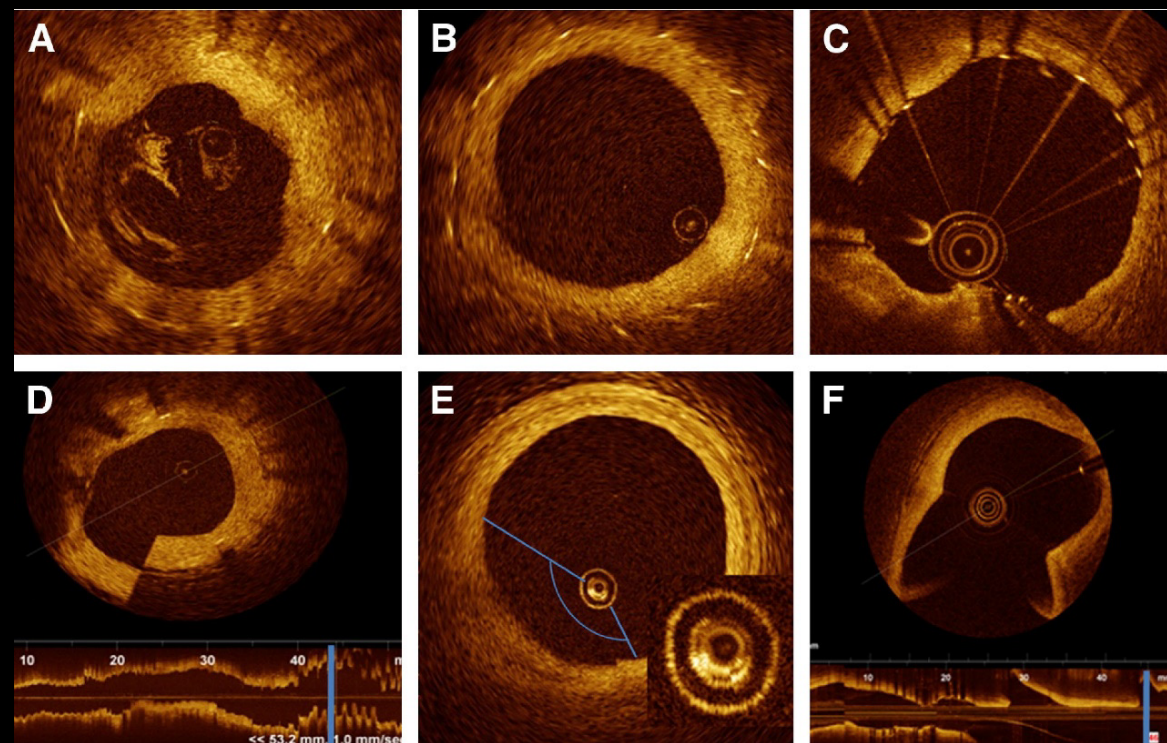
B; wire movement

C; oversaturation artifact (over reflection from stents)

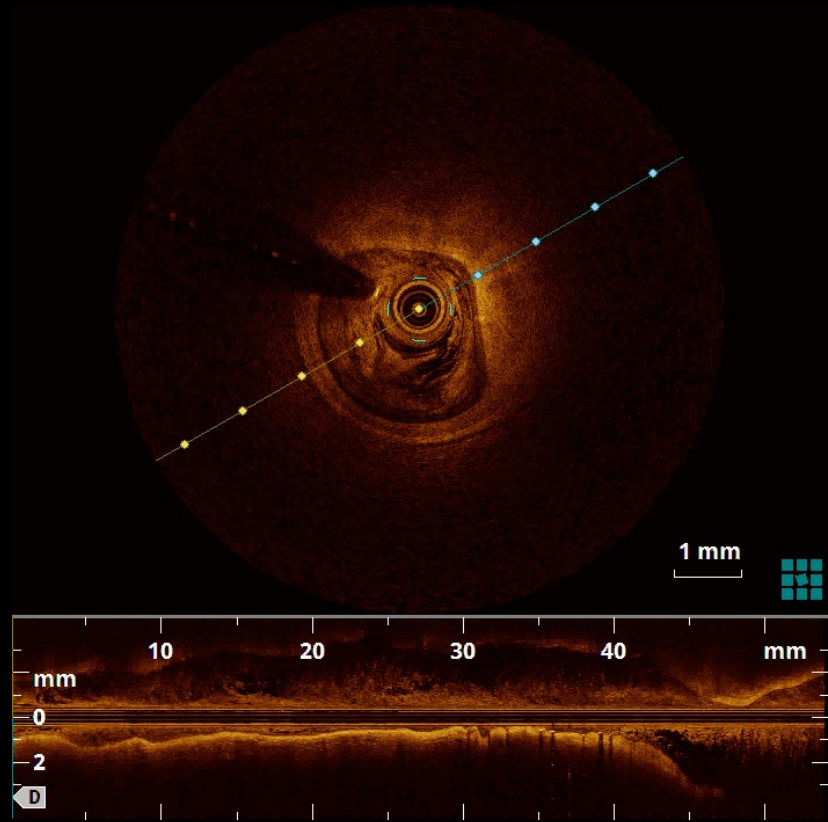
D; Sew up artifact (vessel motion)

E; Air bubble

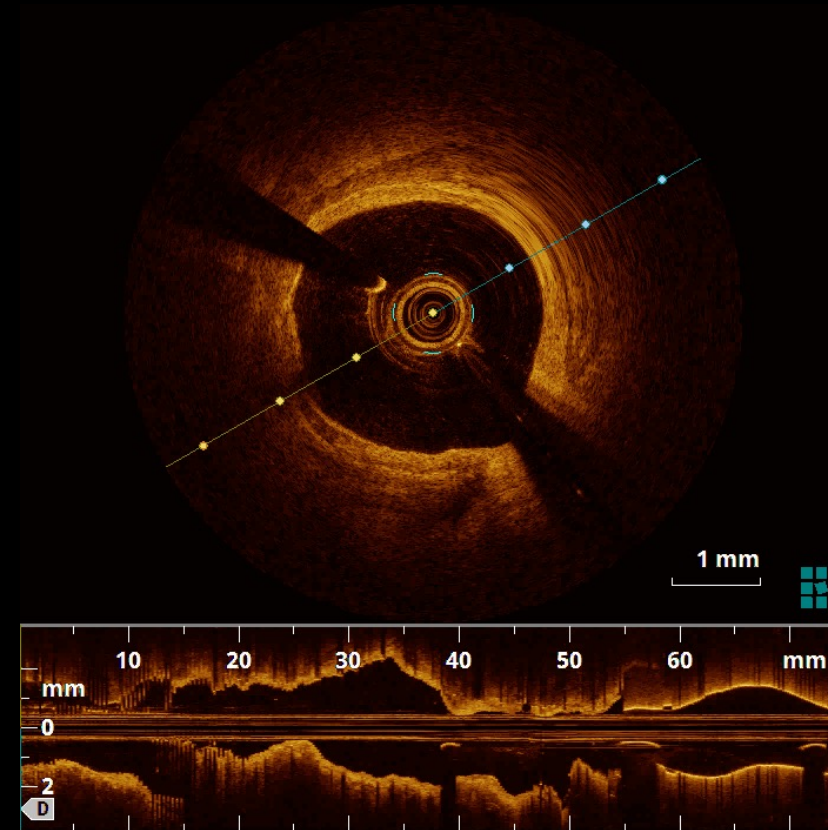
F; Fold over artifact (signal processing error)



OCT not always pretty



Poor Contrast

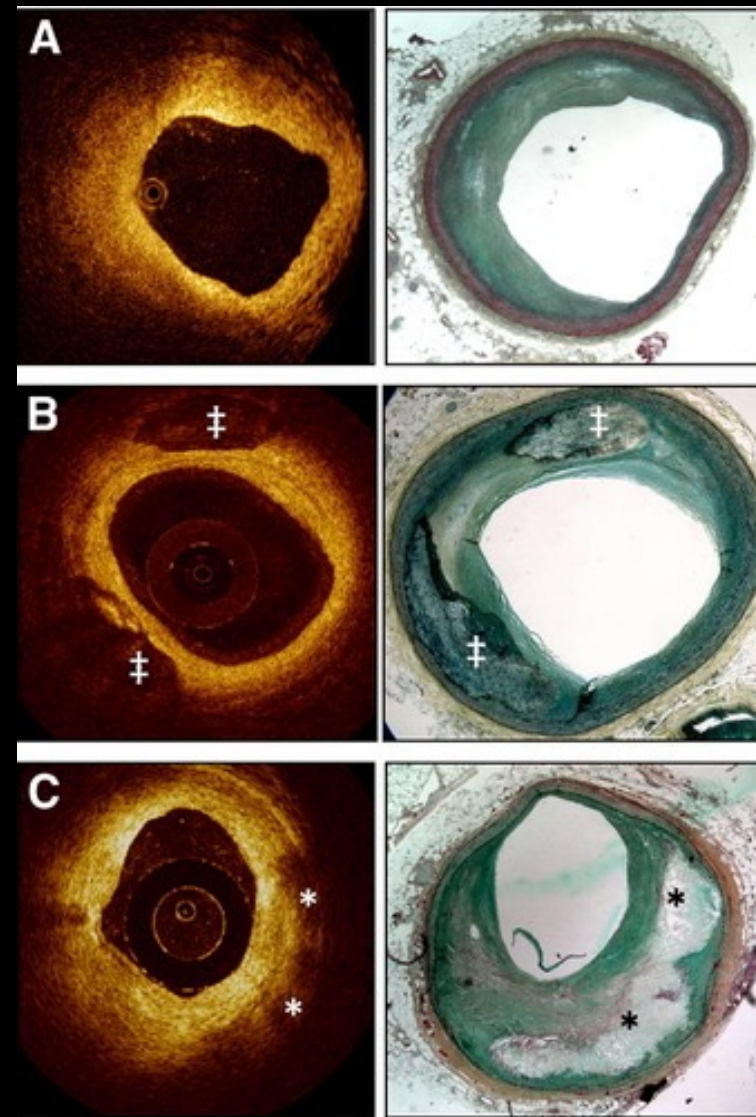


“Sew Up Artifact”

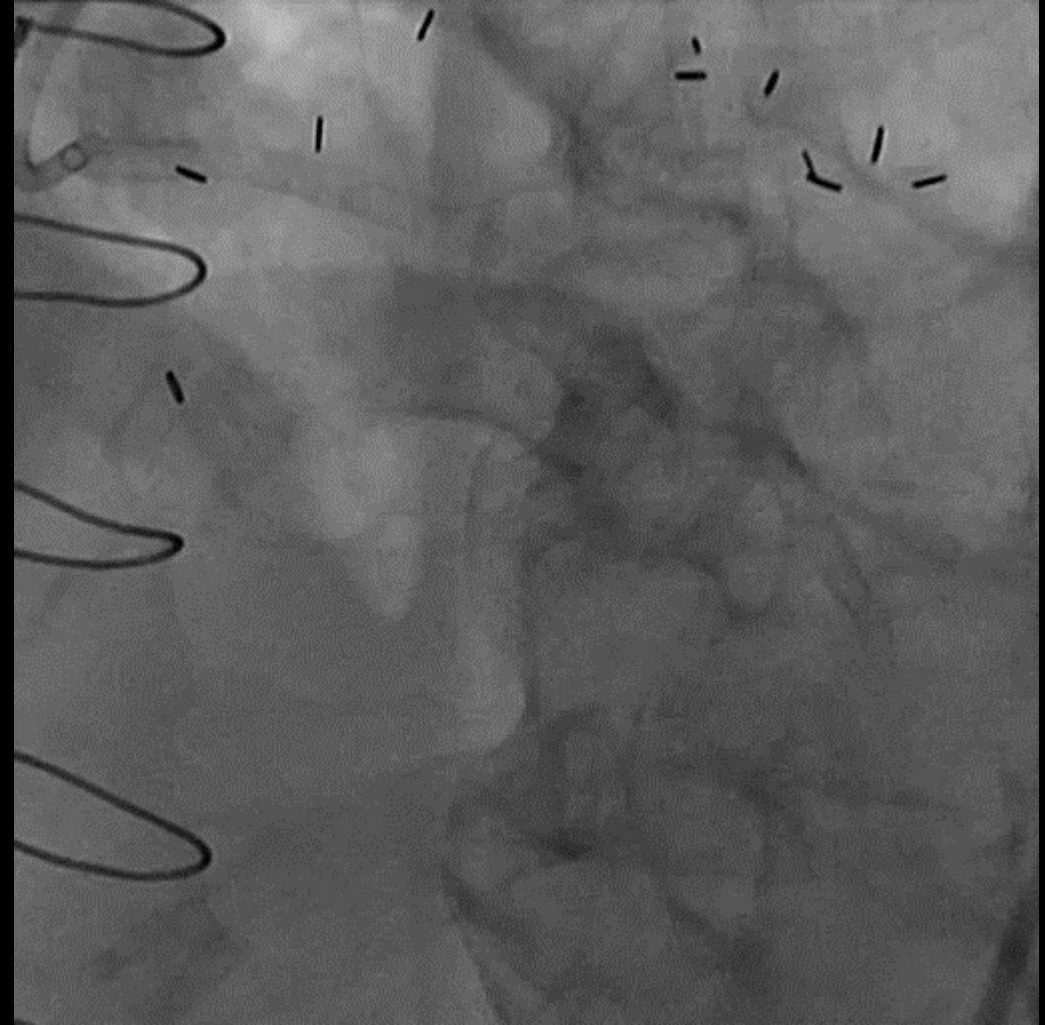
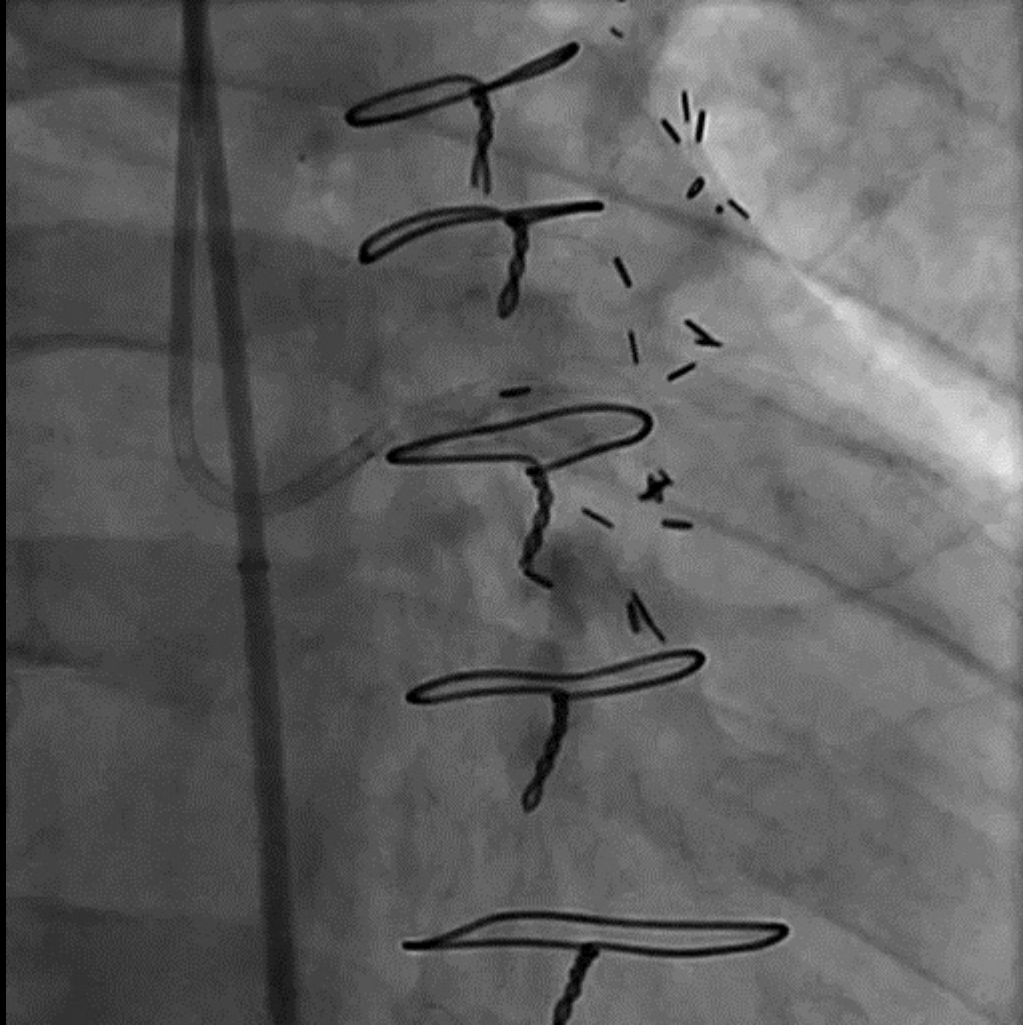
OCT Interpretation

General Characteristics of the Different Tissues by OCT			
Tissue	Backscattering	Attenuation	General Aspects
Calcium	+	+	Sharp borders, low signal with heterogeneous regions
Lipid	++	+++	Irregular borders, superficial high signal followed by very low signal
Fibrotic	++	+	Homogeneous bright tissue
Red thrombus	+++	+++	Superficial signal rich, low penetration, signal-free shadowing
White thrombus	+++	+	Signal rich, more penetration than for red thrombus
Media layer	+	+	Low signal region, limited by 2 signal-rich band (IEL/EEL)
IEL/EEL	+++	+	High signal band (~20 μm)

IEL/EEL = internal elastic lamina/external elastic lamina; OCT = optical coherence tomography; + = low; ++ = moderate; +++ = high



Case ISR

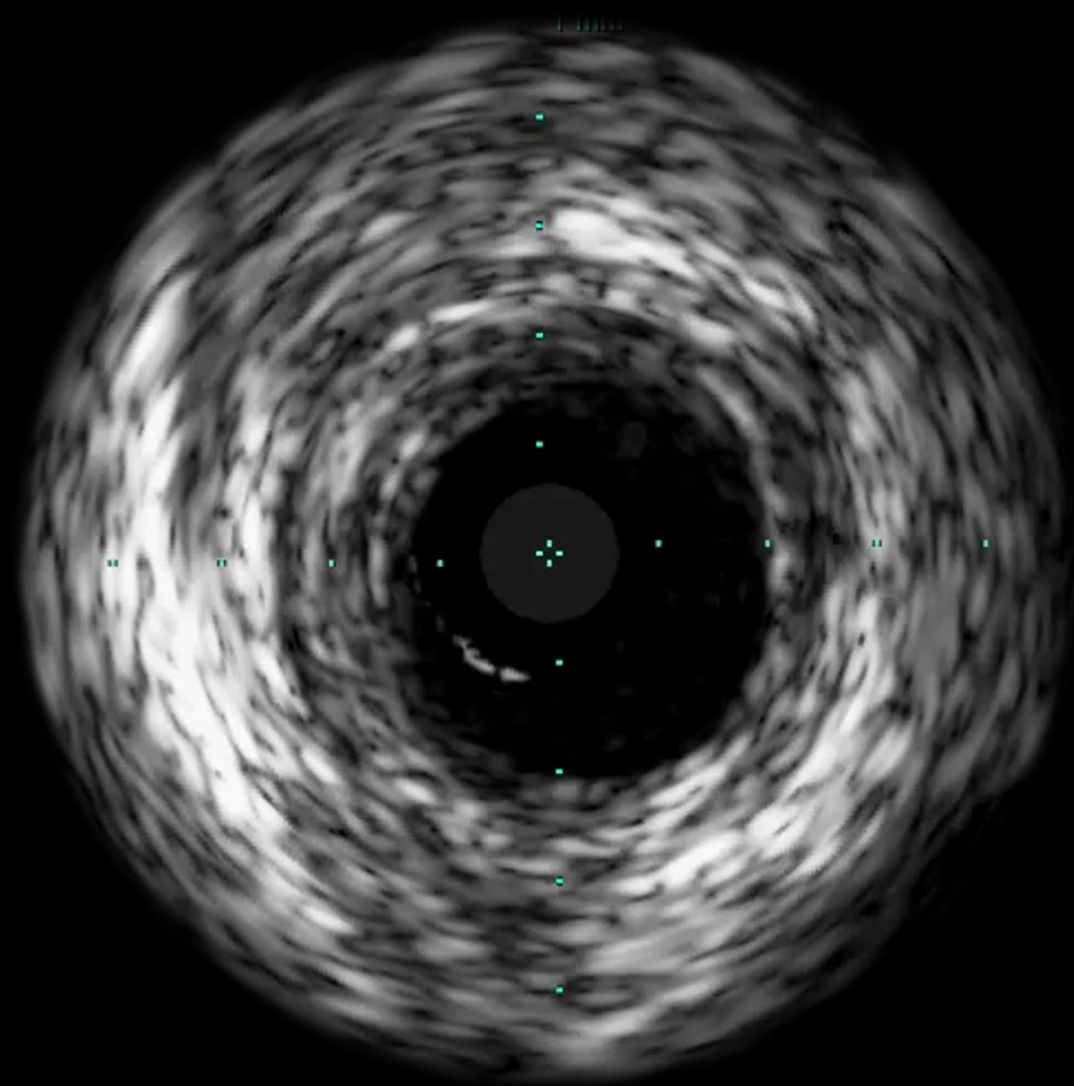


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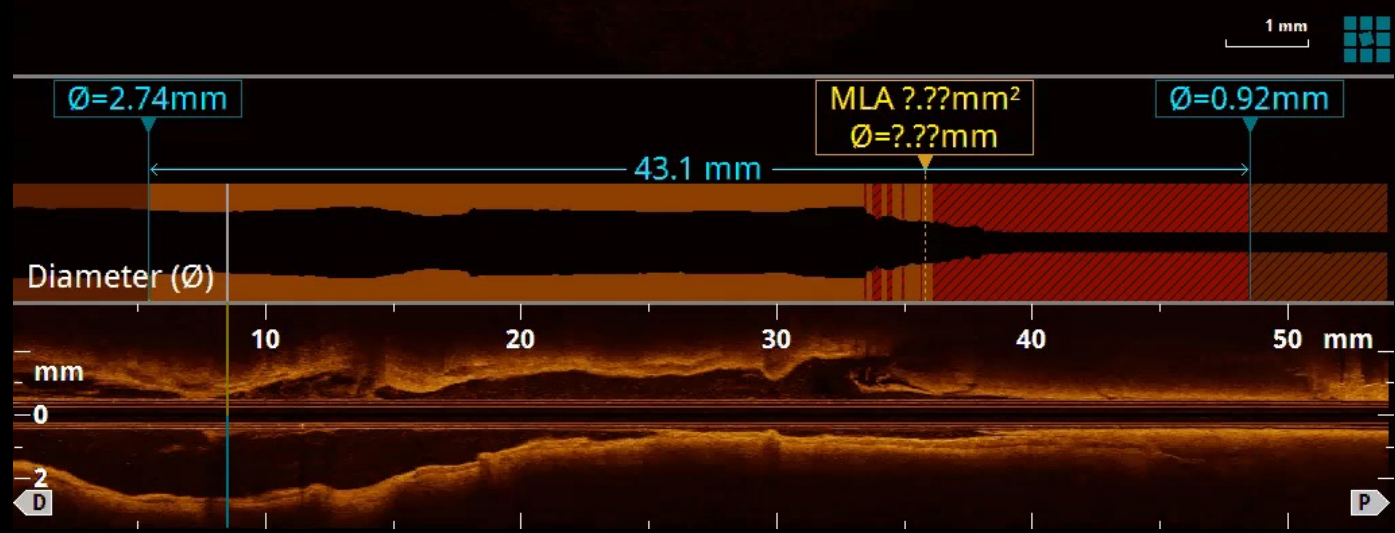
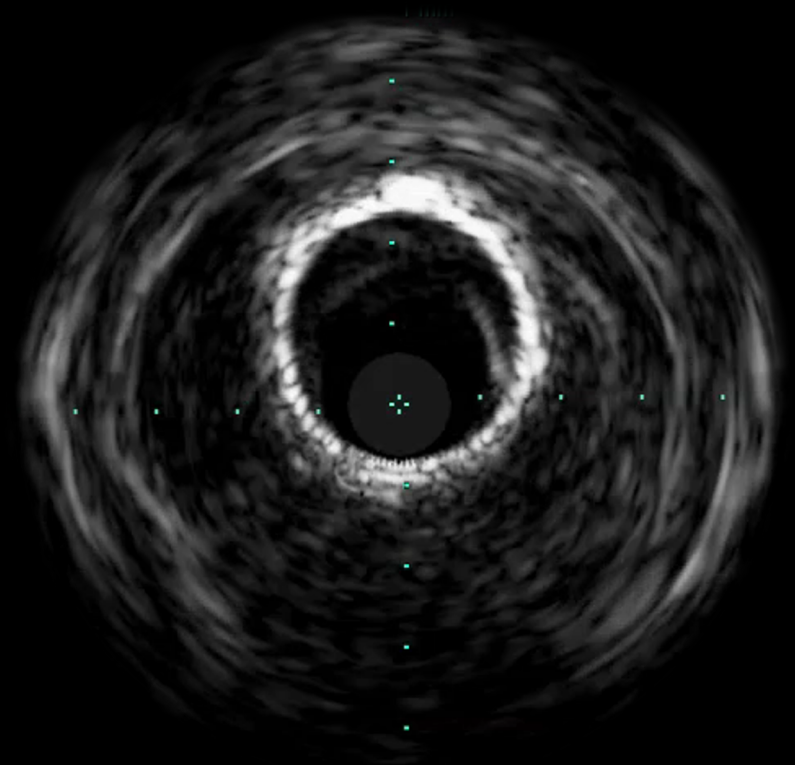
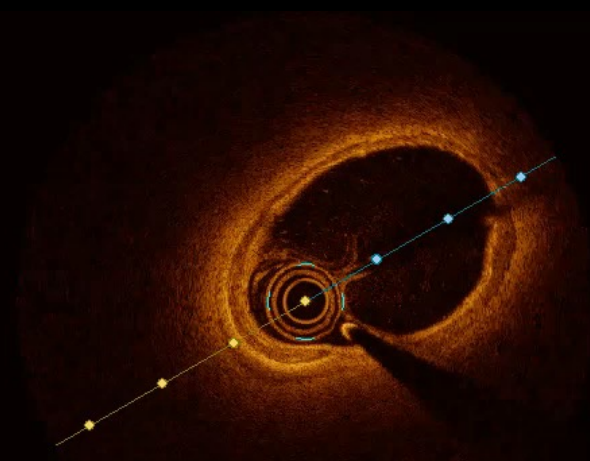


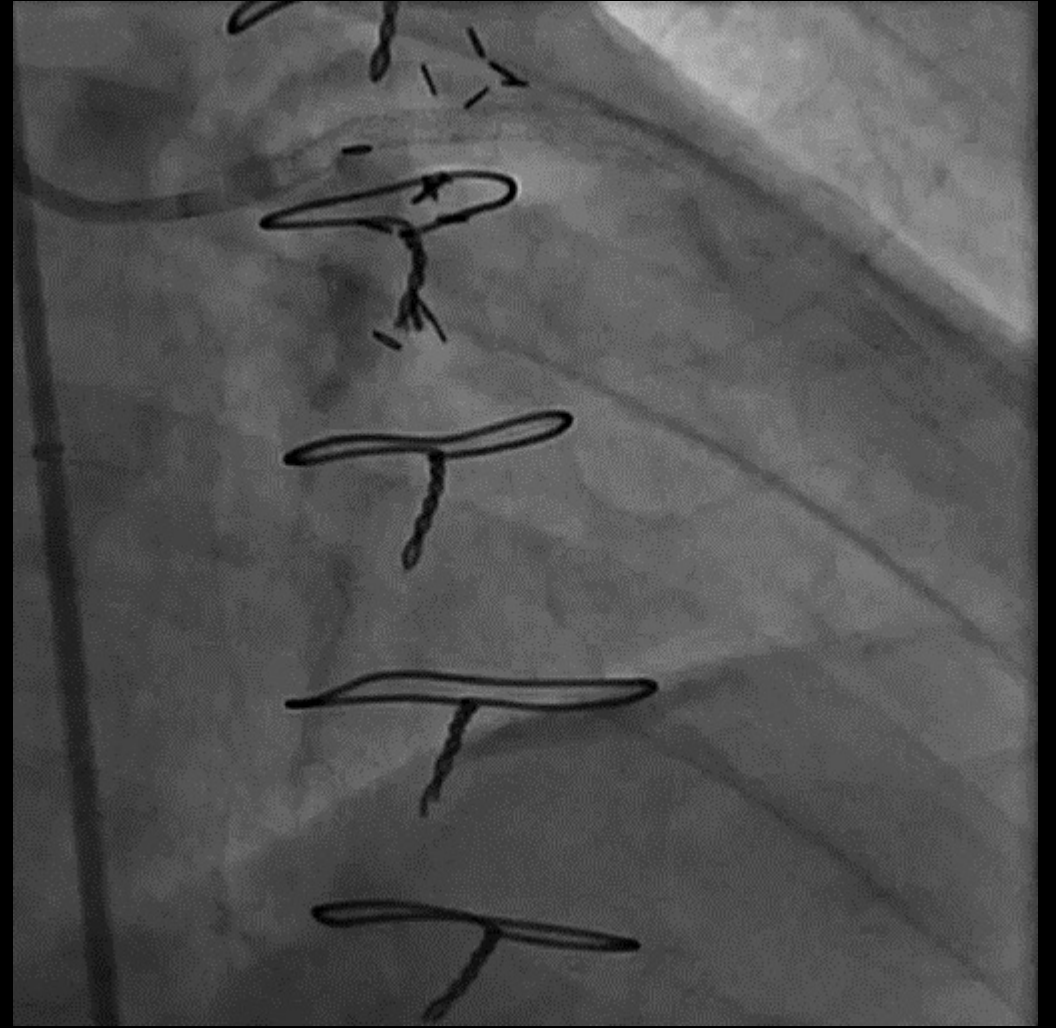
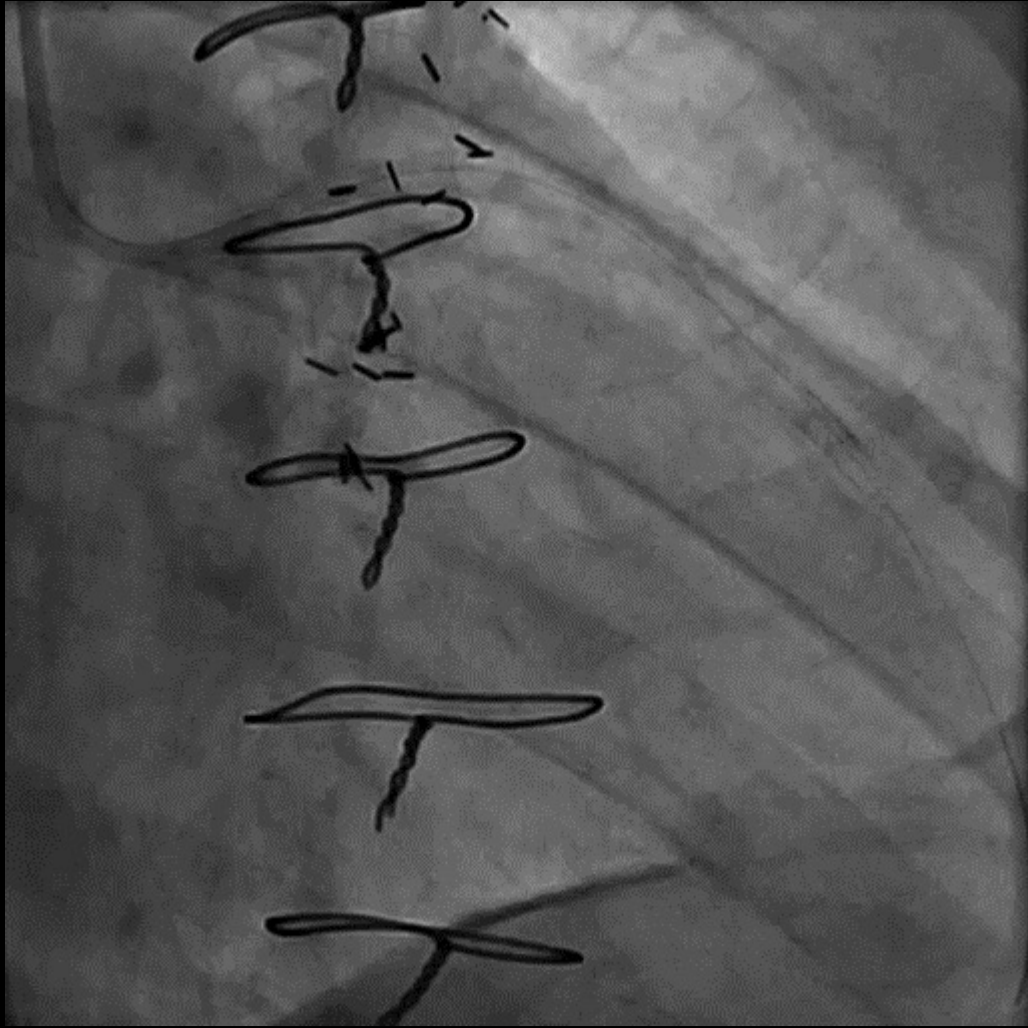
0.9mm Laser Catheter





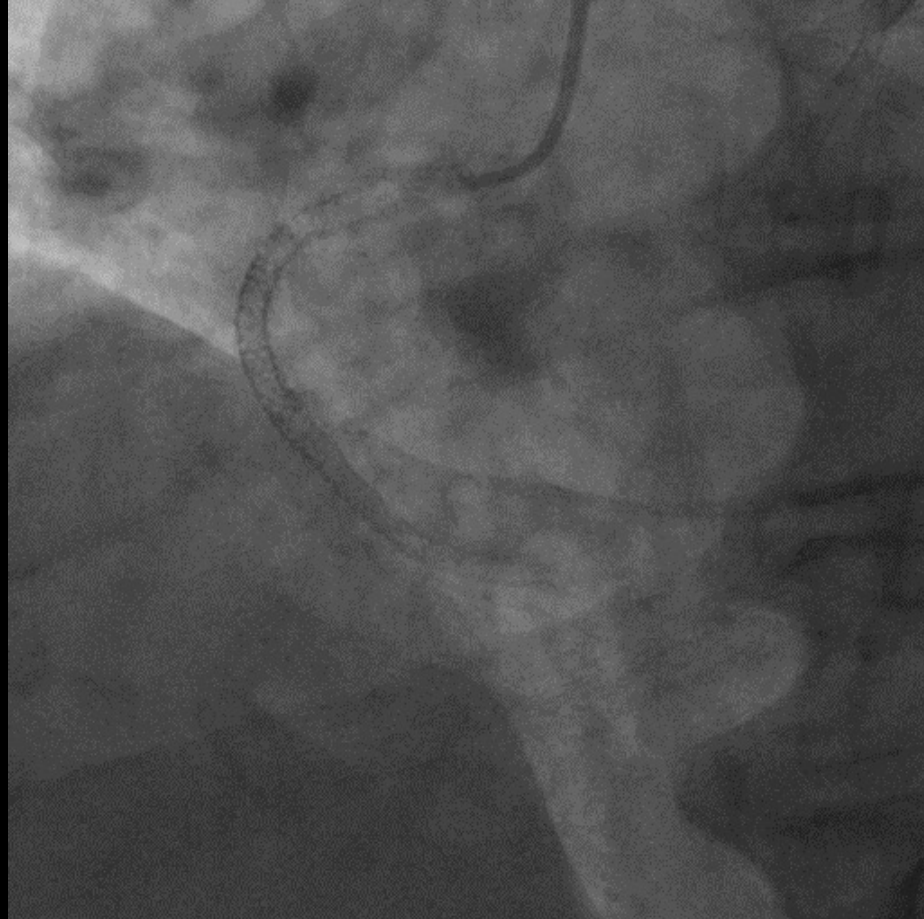
OCT vs. IVUS





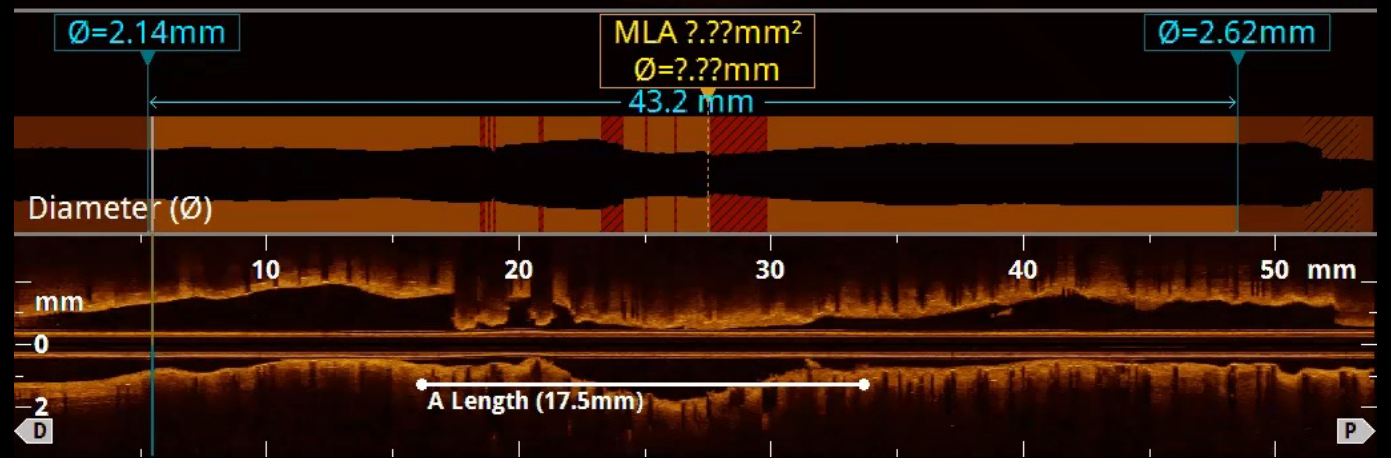
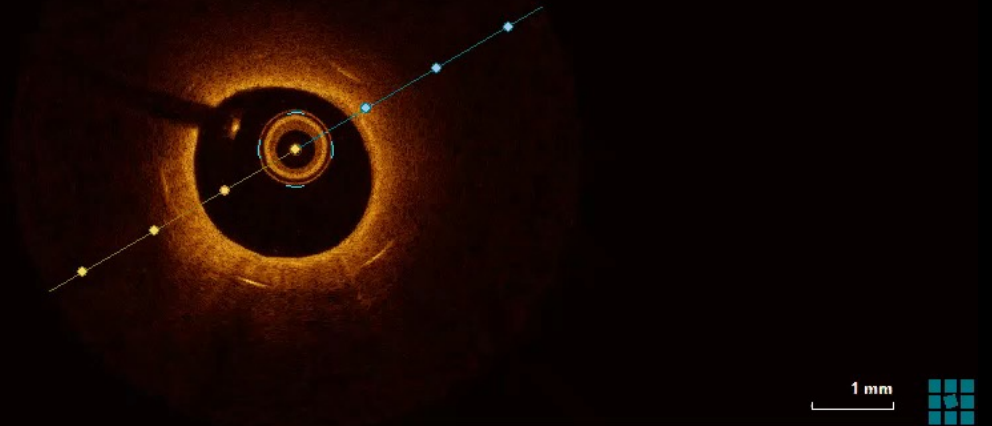
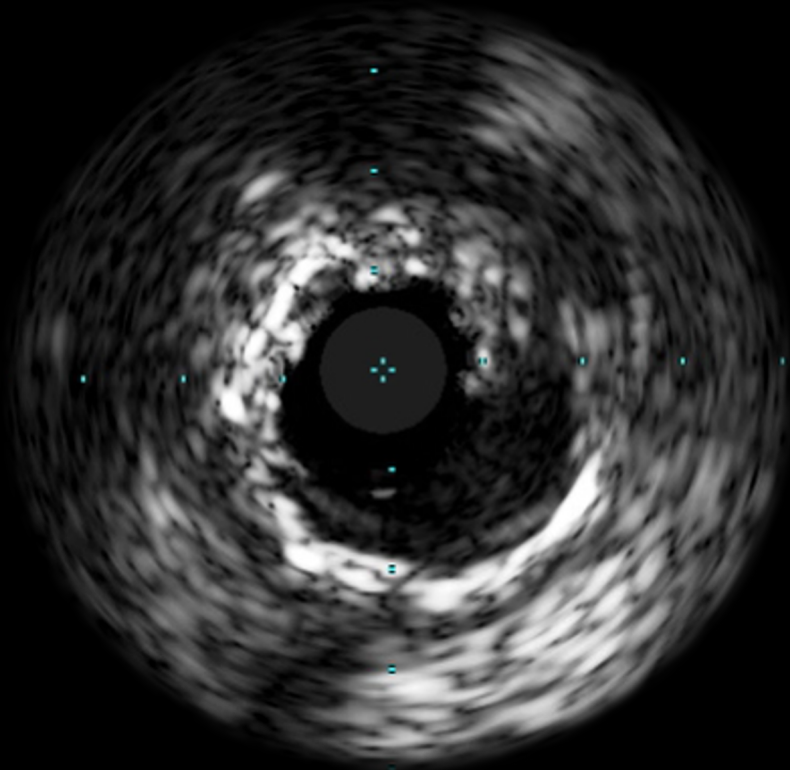
Final Result

Case Repeat Thrombosis

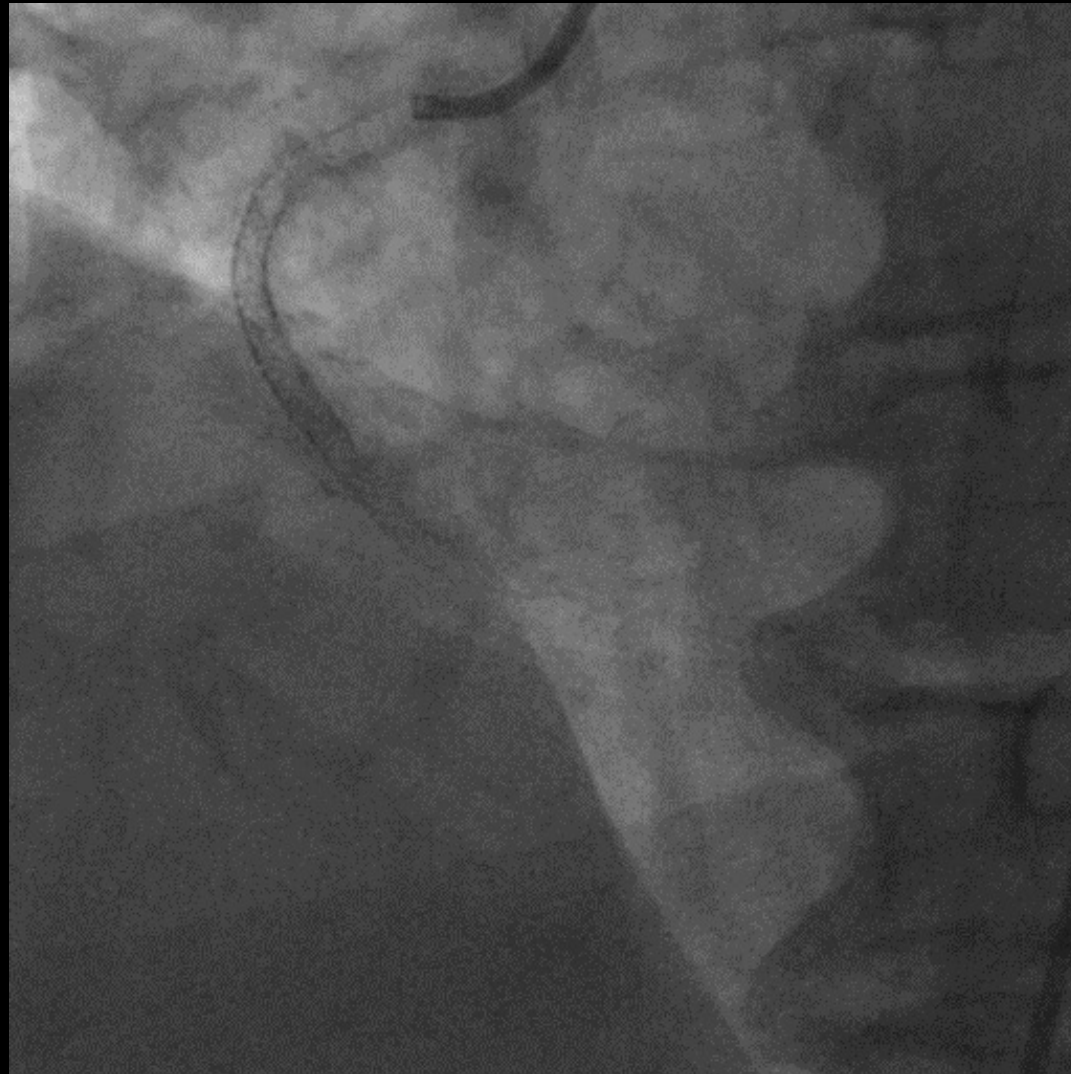


70 y/o with many previous PCI comes in for unstable angina after recent DES placement.
1 month prior to that PCI he had another episode with thrombosis noted in same area.

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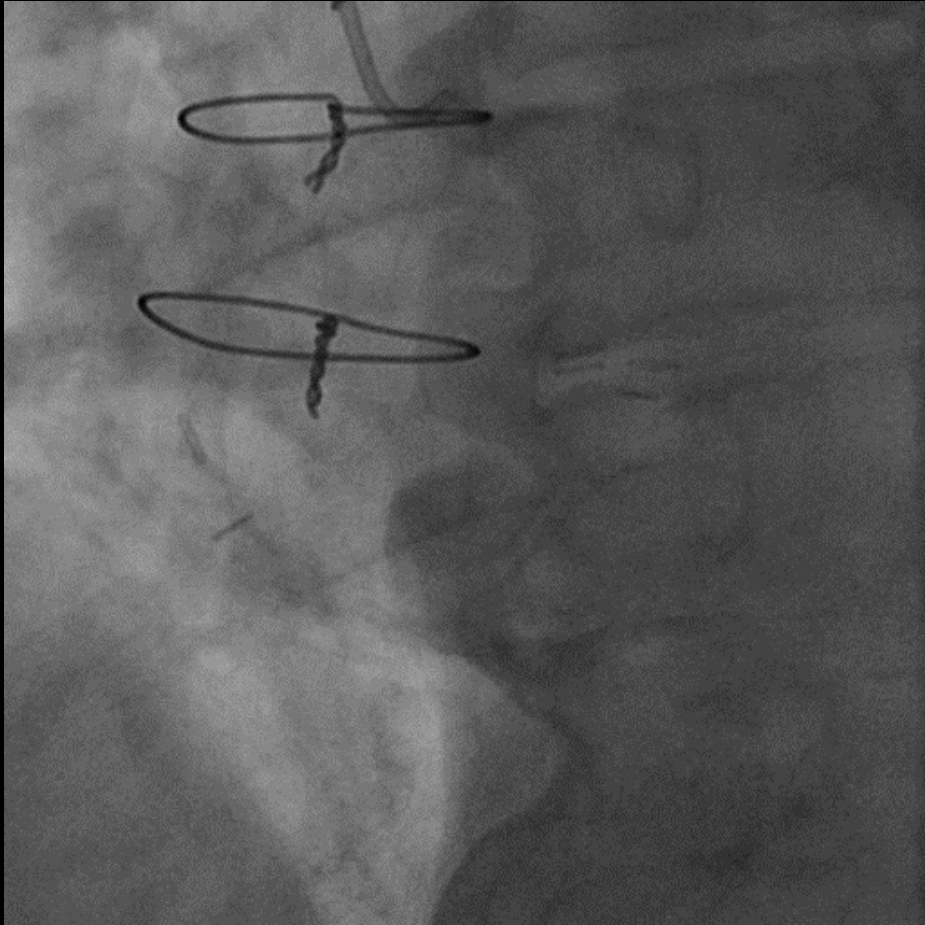


Mostly “red clot” or thrombin rich clot as opposed to platelet rich clot. So many layers of stent were present it was proposed that it was a nidus for thrombosis despite aggressive DAPT.

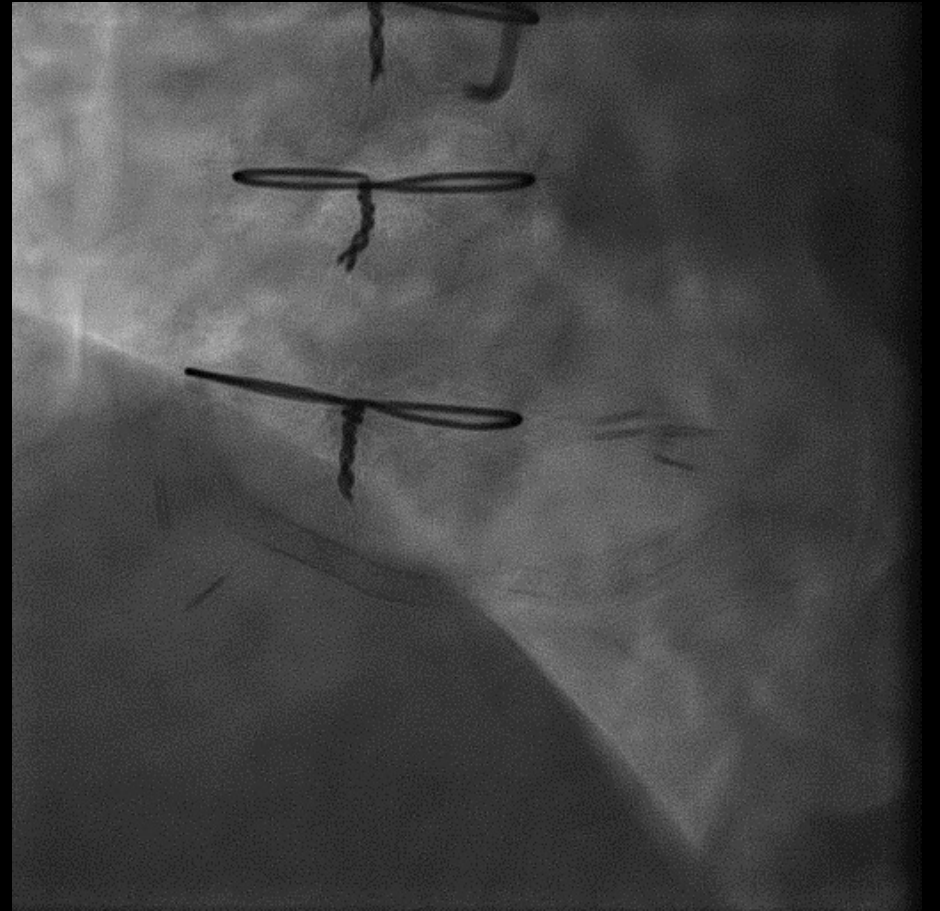


ECLA and resented the segment. Placed on Coumadin and has not had symptoms since.

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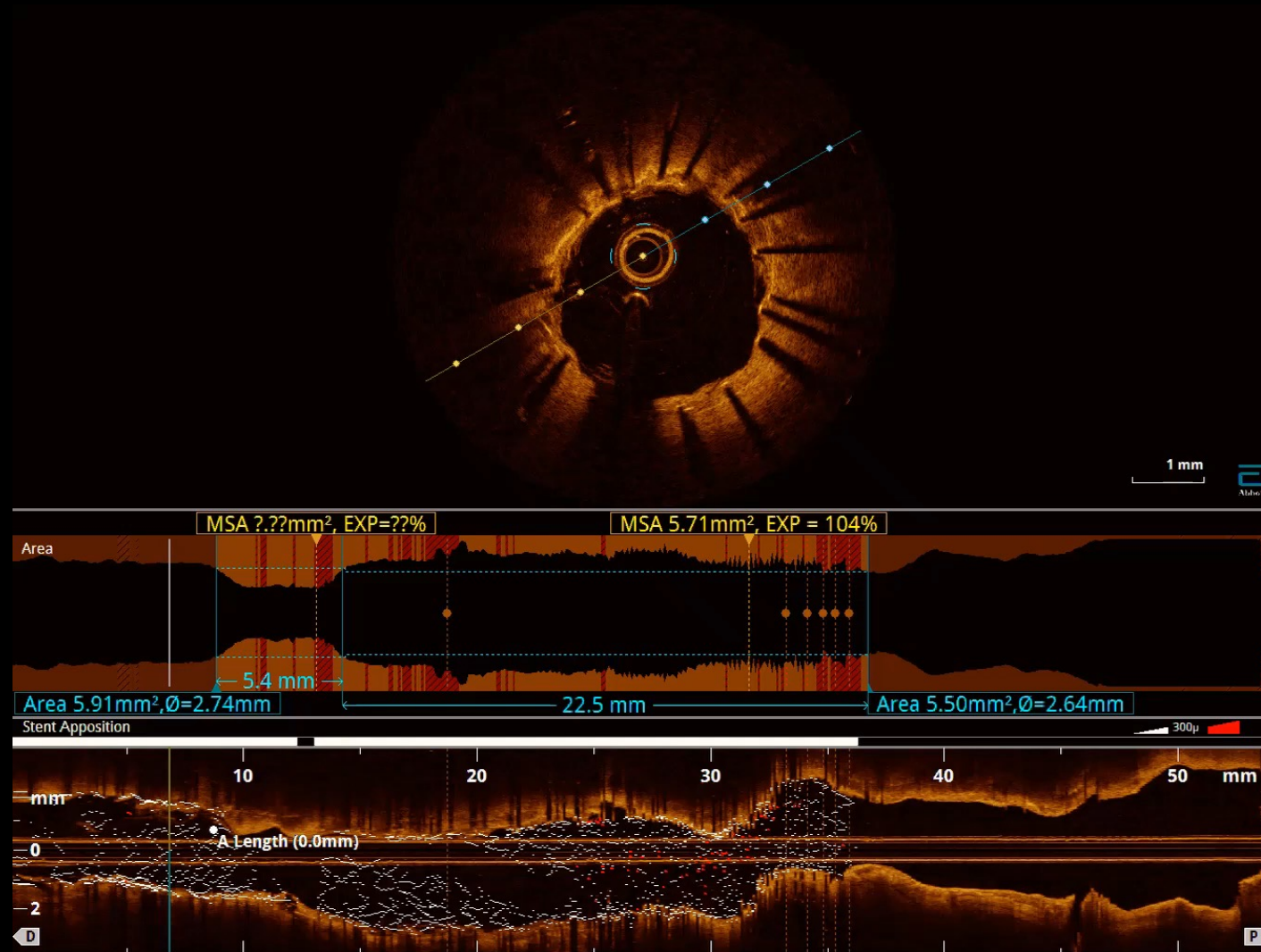


PCI in last 5months

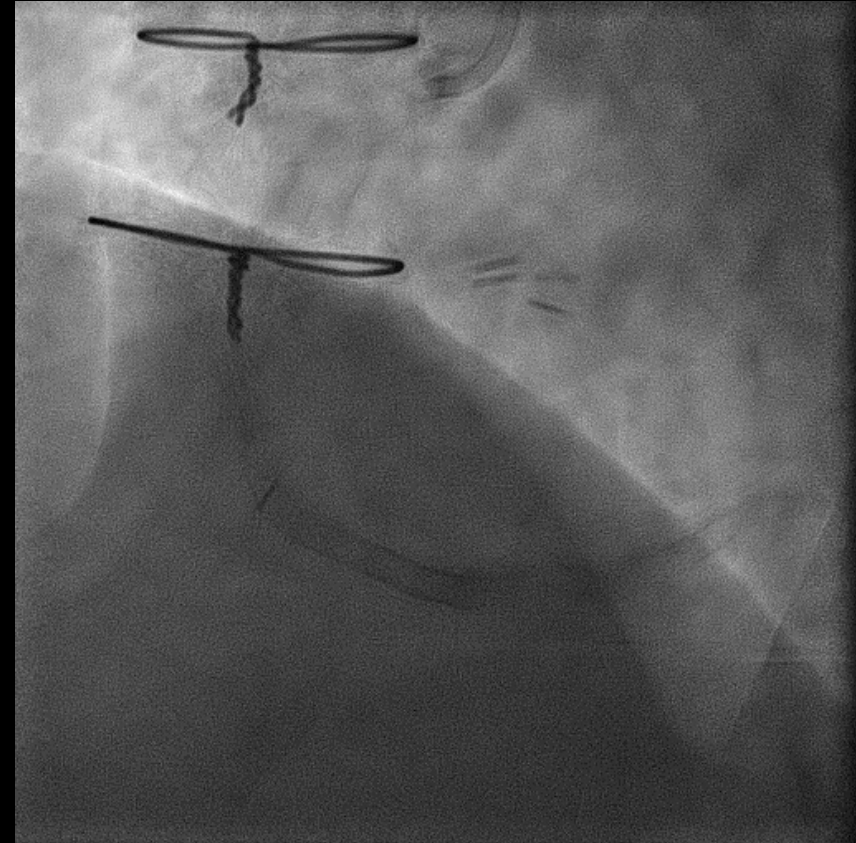
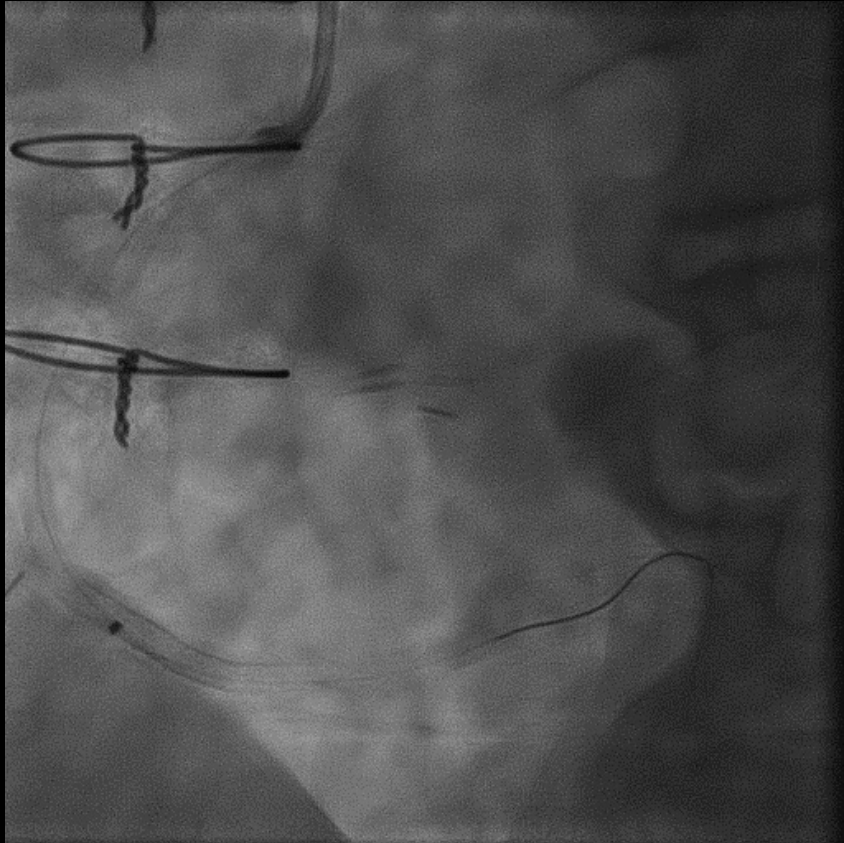


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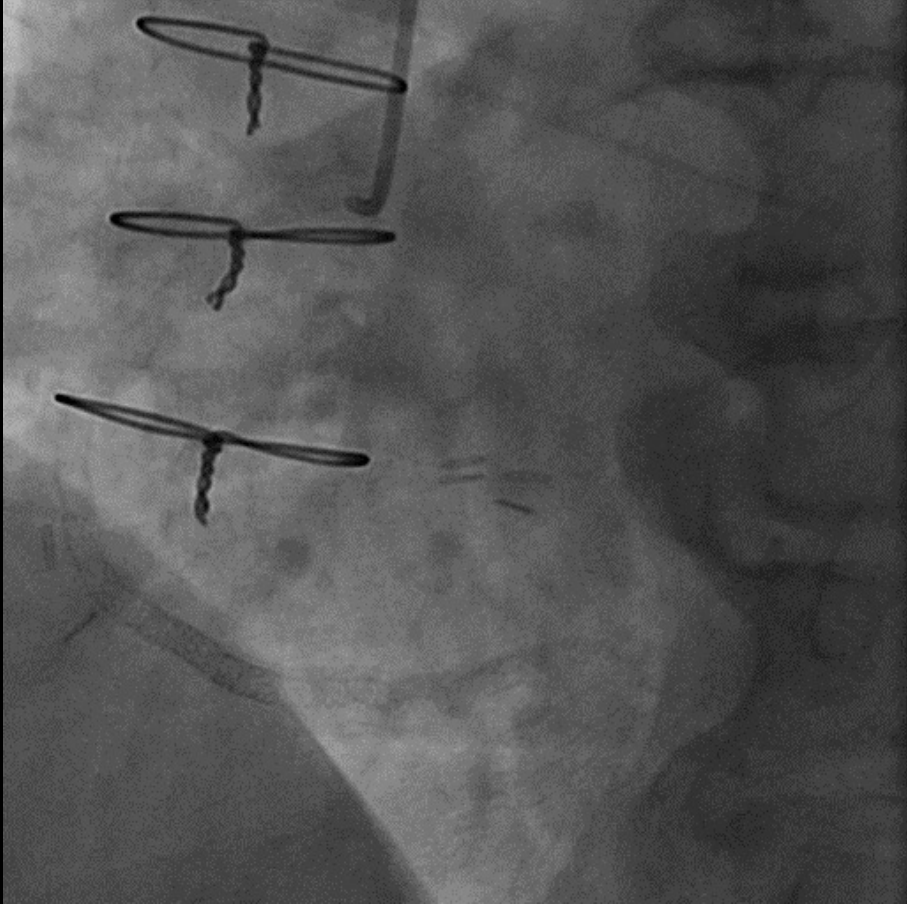


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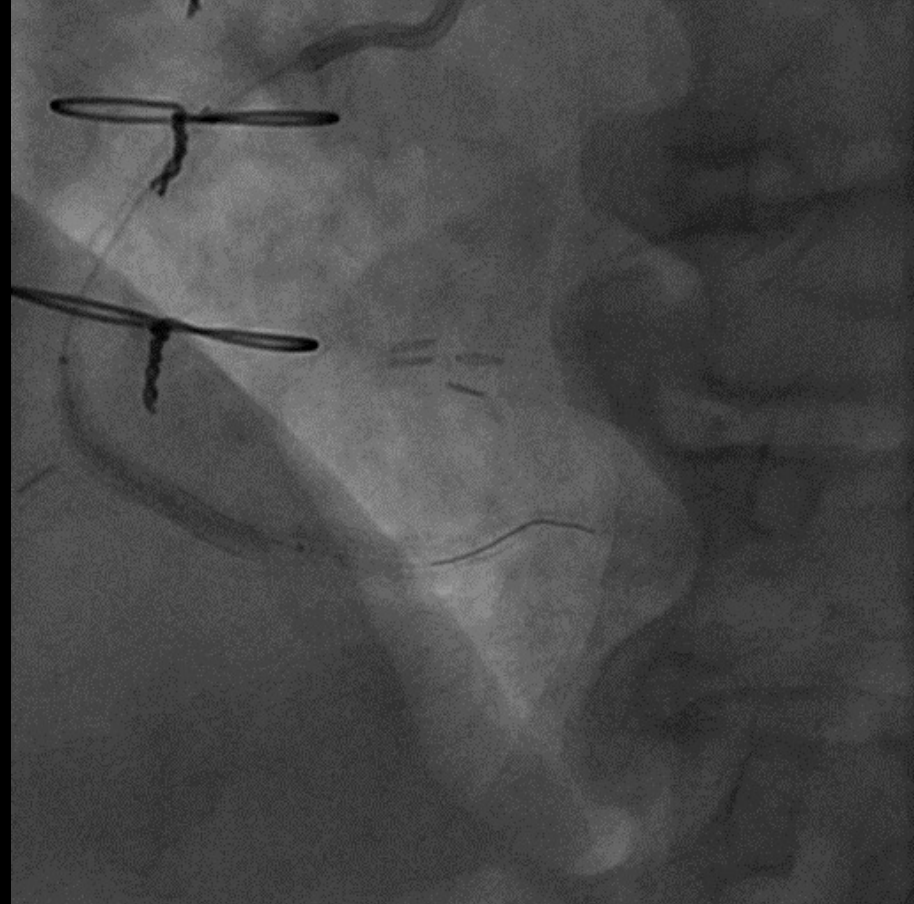


1.2mm ECLA Catheter and repeat PCI

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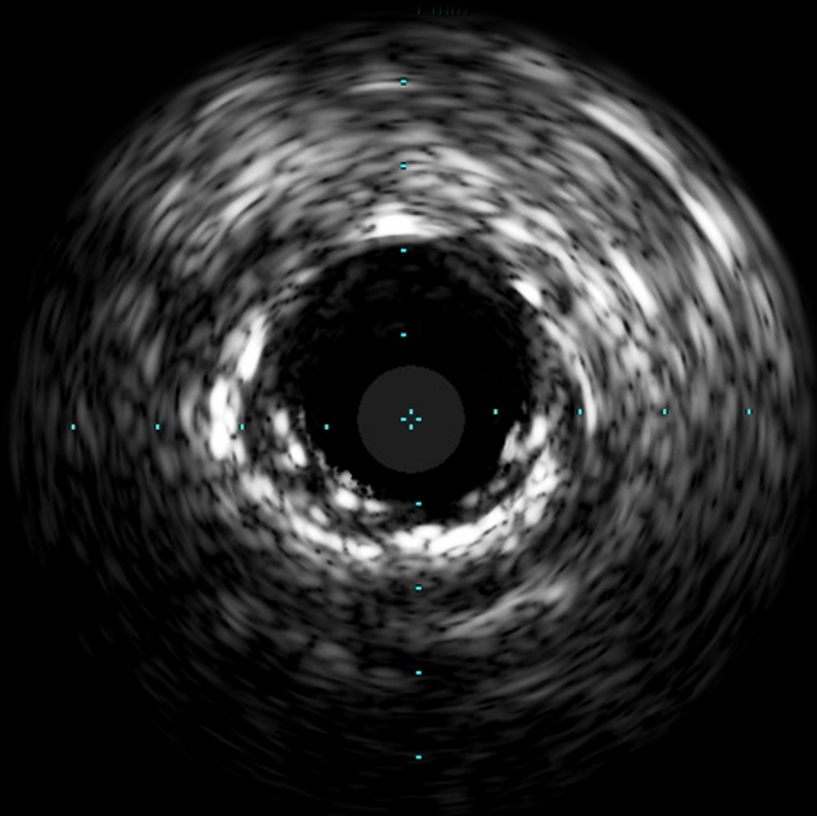


2 months later.



2.5 mm Shock Wave

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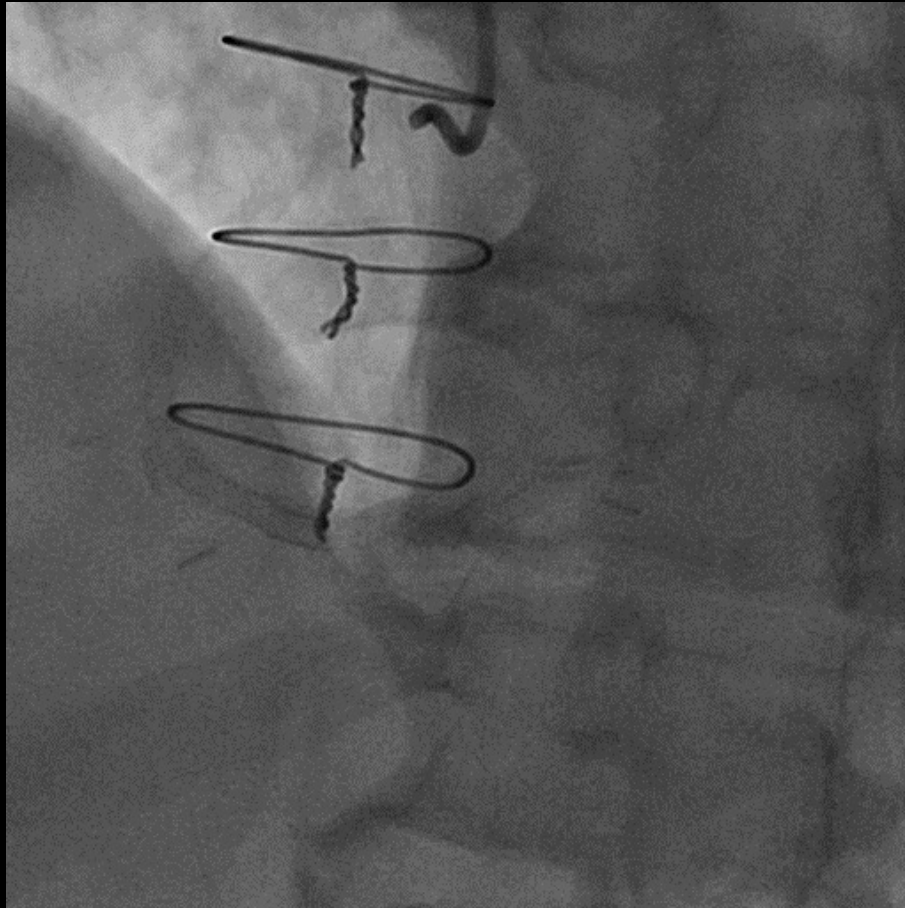


IVUS post POBA

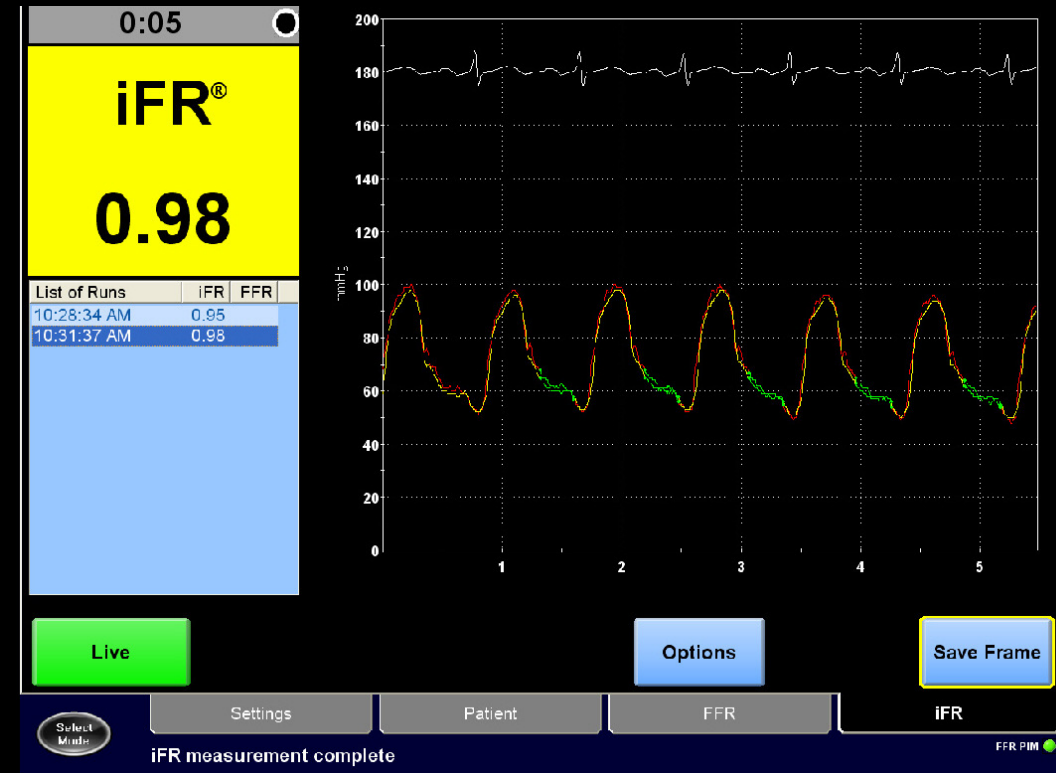


Final Angiogram

Case ISR #2



3 months later



iFR evaluation.

Conclusions

2017 marked the 40th anniversary for PCI, 30th anniversary for IVUS and 20th anniversary for OCT.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Intravascular Imaging, Stent Implantation, and the Elephant in the Room*

Gary S. Mintz, MD



Conclusions

What are the main excuses or explanations [for lack of use]?

- 1) no data [debunked]**
- 2) No RCT data [again debunked, IVUS XPL]**
- 3) Cost... IVUS is dominant and cost effective**
- 4) Safety...IVUS complications rare**
- 5) Angiography is sufficient...angiography has known limitations [FFR anyone?]**
- 6) Lack of guidelines...hopefully current data will convince guideline authors**
- 7) Education...52% of surveyed Interventional fellows reported no or rudimentary IVUS education and 68% reported no or rudimentary OCT education.**

Conclusions

“ A modern Interventionalist should be able (or be trained) to properly perform, interpret, and use at least 1 of these 2 technologies.”

-Gary Mintz, MD

OCT versus IVUS
