

CCU aspects of post-TAVI management What not to be missed!

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- Proctor
 - Edwards Lifesciences
 - Medtronic
- Advisory Board
 - Sanofi
 - Lilly
 - AstraZeneca
 - Bayer Israel
 - Medtronic
 - Pfizer



Outline

- **Background**
- **Vascular complications leading to hemorrhagic shock**
- **Late tamponade**
- **AV blocks**



“High Risk” AS Patients

- **Octogenarians with multiple co-morbidities**
 - COPD
 - Diabetes
 - PVD
 - Reduced LVEF
 - Renal failure
 - Previous cardiac surgery
- **Euroscore >20% (~10% mortality @30 days)**
- **STS >10%**



Inoperable AS Patients

- Radiation chest wall / heart disease
- Severe chest wall deformities
- End-stage COPD
- Cirrhosis with portal hypertension
- Porcelain aorta
- Degenerative neurocognitive dysfunction
- High “frailty” index (qualitative assessment)
- >50% chance of mortality or never leaving a chronic care facility

Surgeons are gatekeepers !!!



Assess for frailty



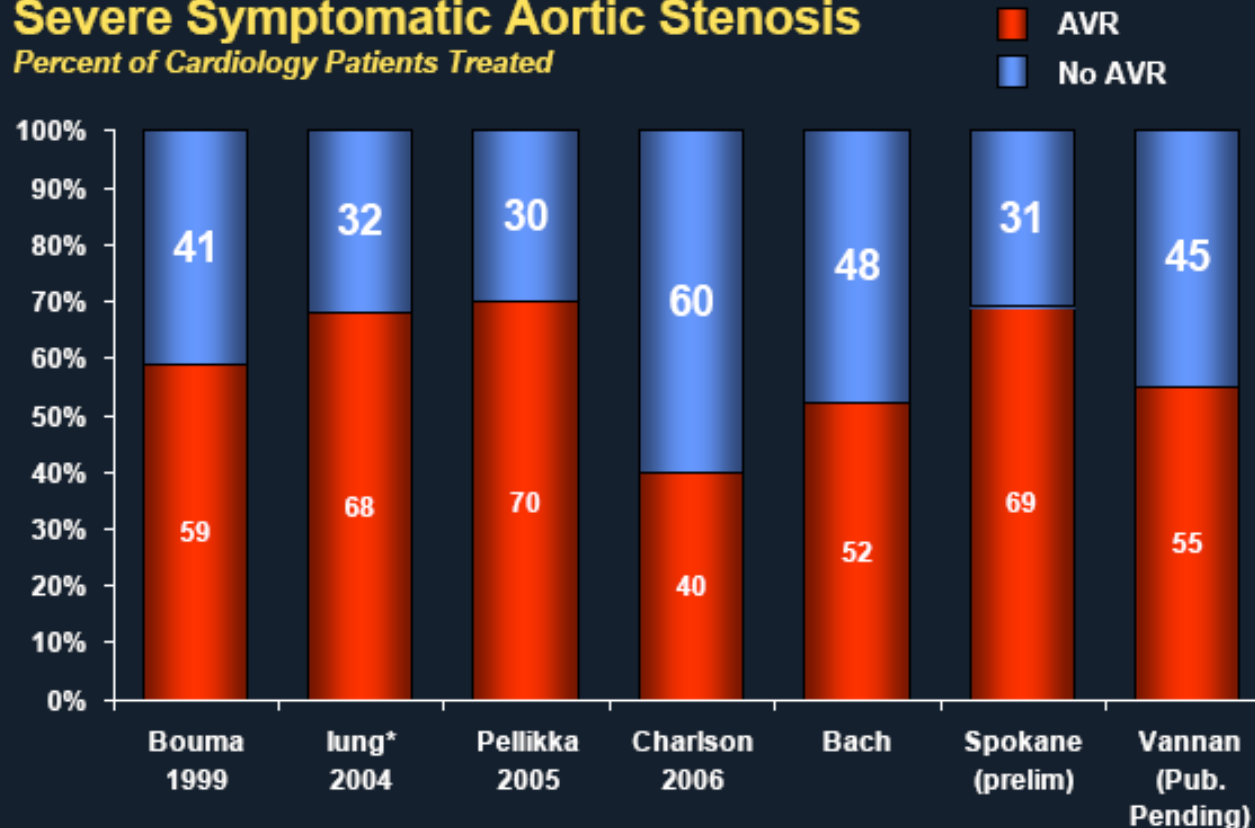
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At least 30% of severe AS pts. are untreated

Severe Symptomatic Aortic Stenosis

Percent of Cardiology Patients Treated



Under-treatment especially prevalent among patients managed by *Primary Care* physicians

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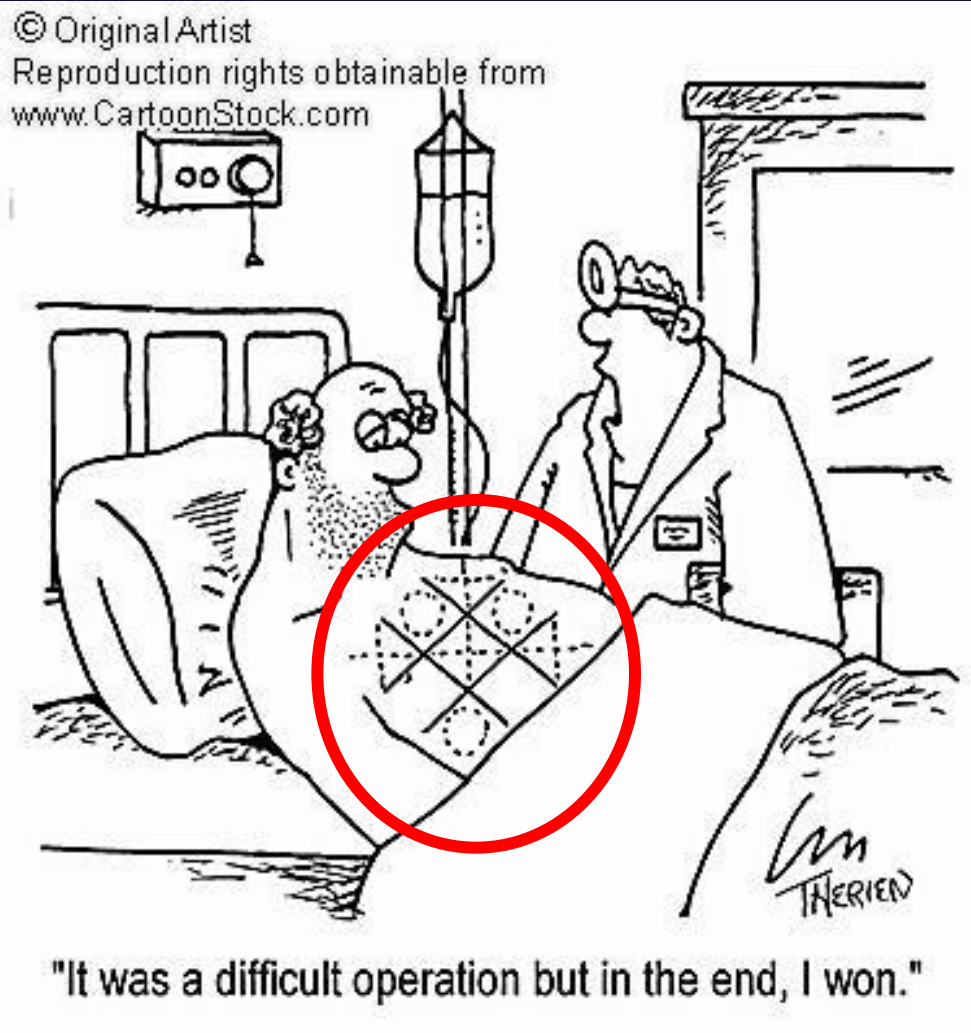


Vascular Access

- **Pre-procedural assessment**
 - CFA AND ILIACS >6mm
 - No severe calcifications
 - Trans-axillary /apical / aortic are good alternatives
- **Puncture – CFA above bifurcation**
 - Use pigtail technique
 - Prostar
- **Be prepared to be the best peripheral interventionalist!!!**



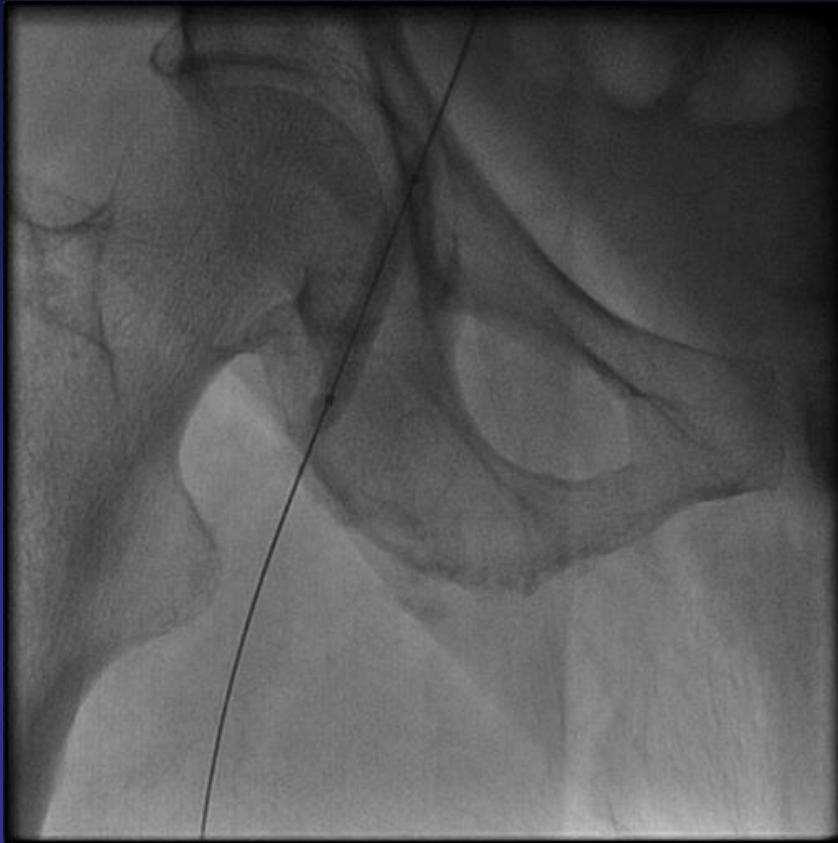
Be Prepared for Significant Vascular Complication!!!



Tight CFA Stenosis after ProStar



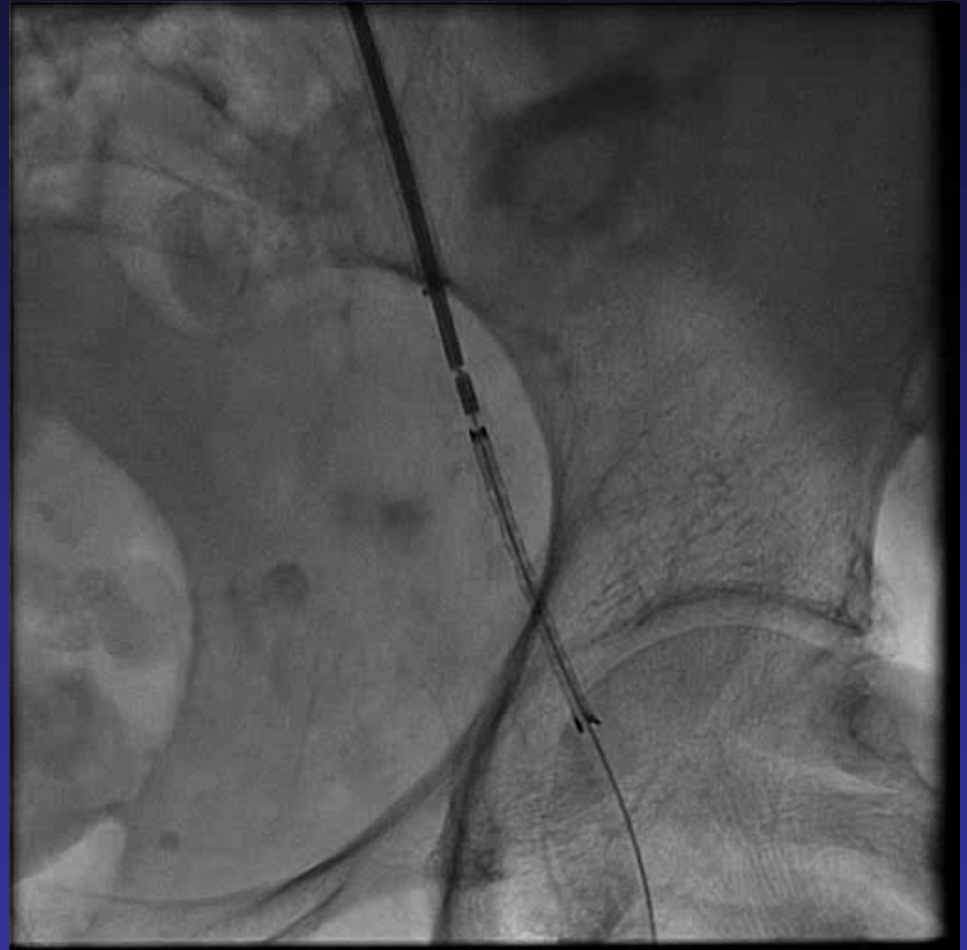
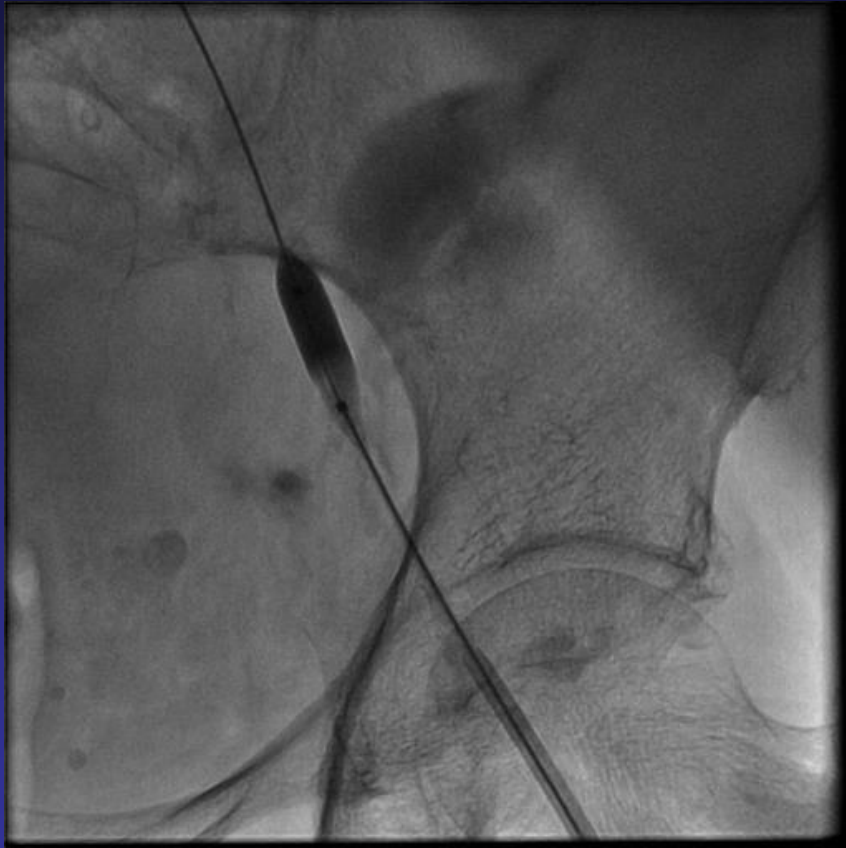
Repaired by Gentle Balloon Inflation



Iliac / Femoral Perforation Uncontrolled Bleeding!!!



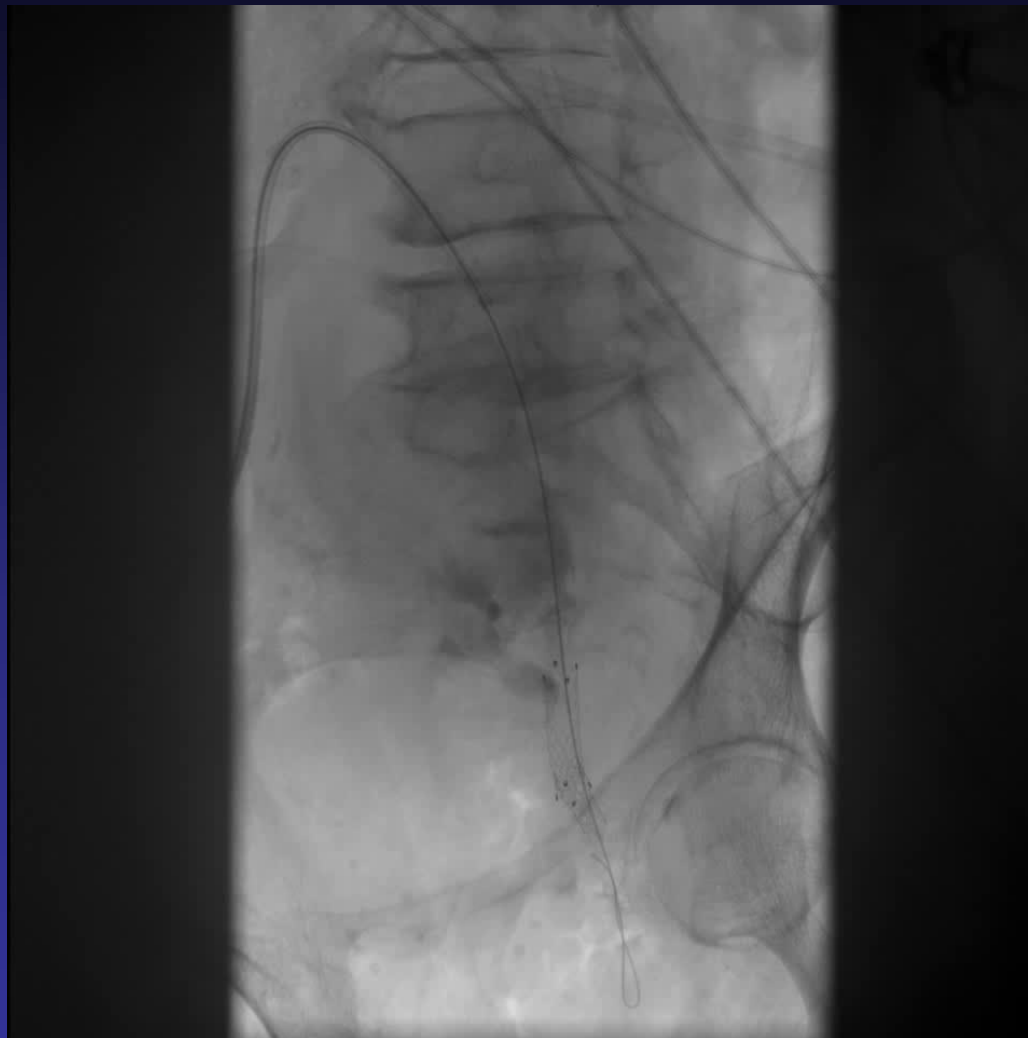
First block Iliac Artery by Balloon → Covered Stent



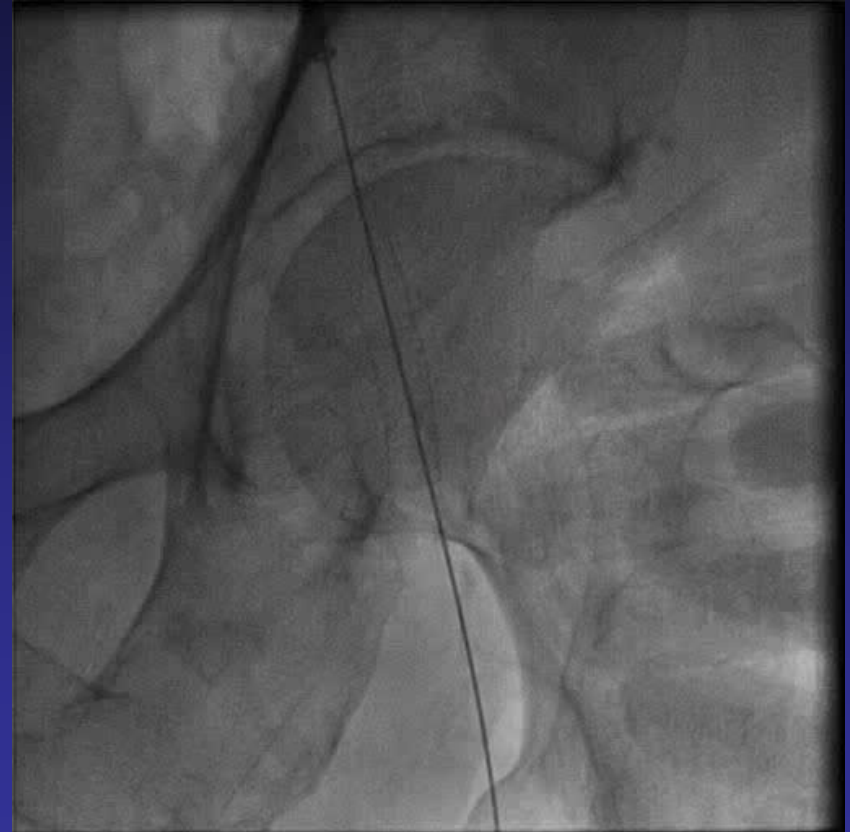
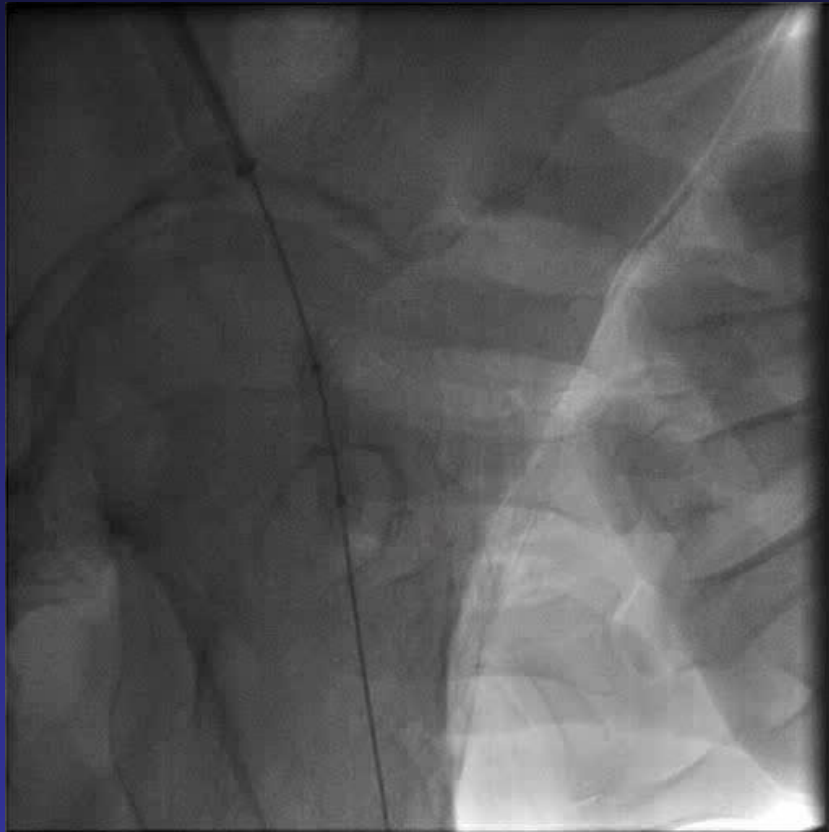
Residual Leakage from Artery!!



Repaired by Additional Stent



CFA Rupture due to Prostar Failure – Covered Stent



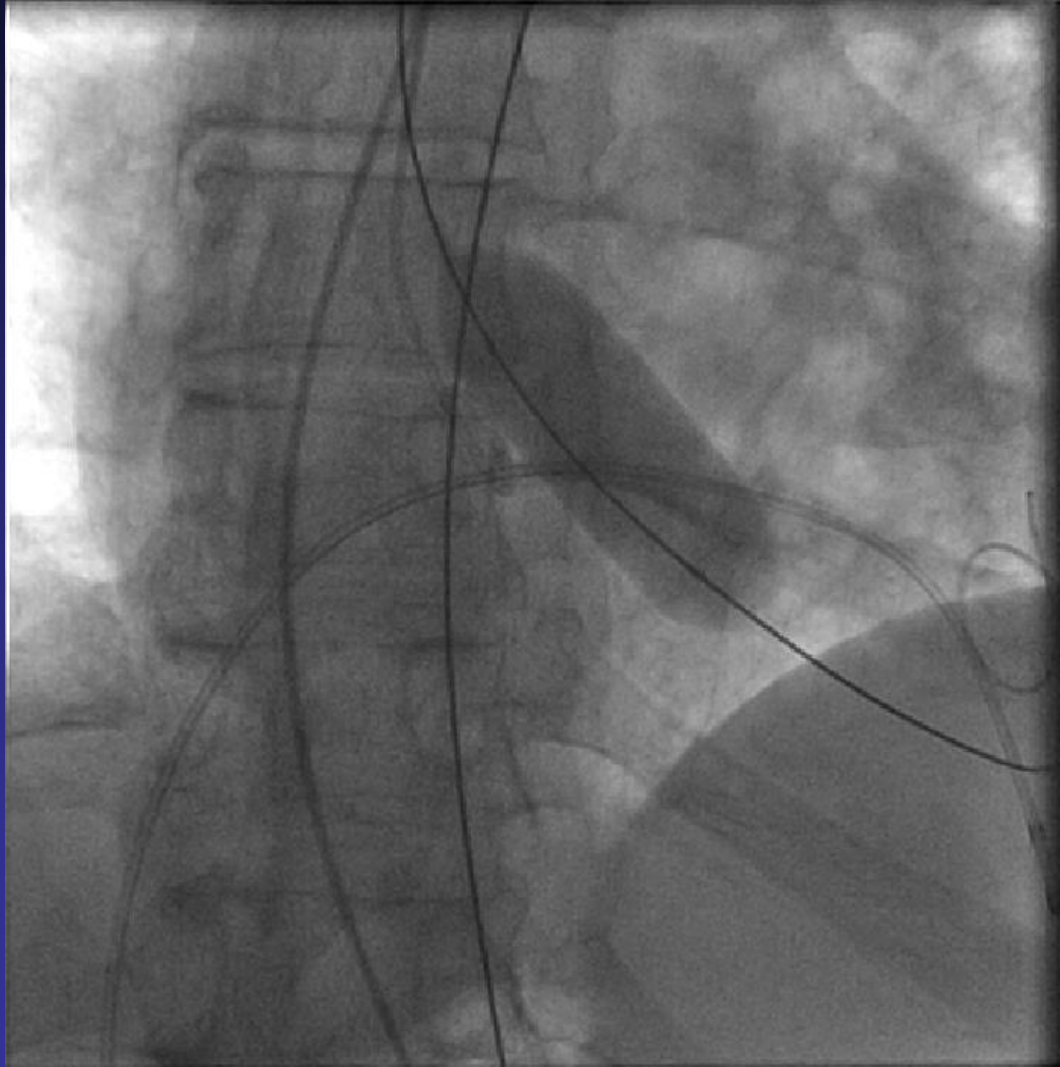
Case Presentation

Be Prepared to Repair Any Complication...

- 81 year old male
- HTN, DM, COPD
- Severe AS
- LVEF 55%, Grad 88/46, AVA 0.7, SPAP-65
- Aortic annulus 23mm by TEE
- Euro-score 22
- → Trans-femoral TAVI with Edwards 26mm



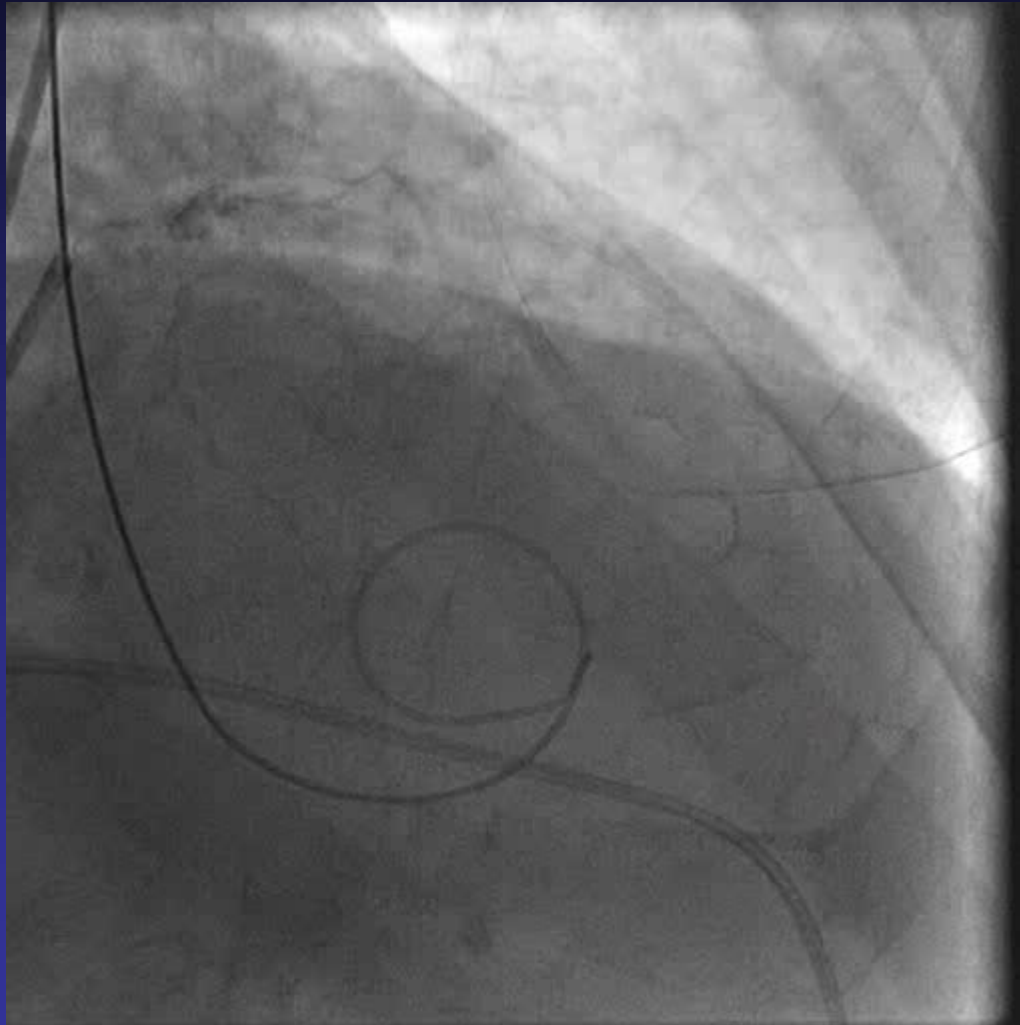
BAV



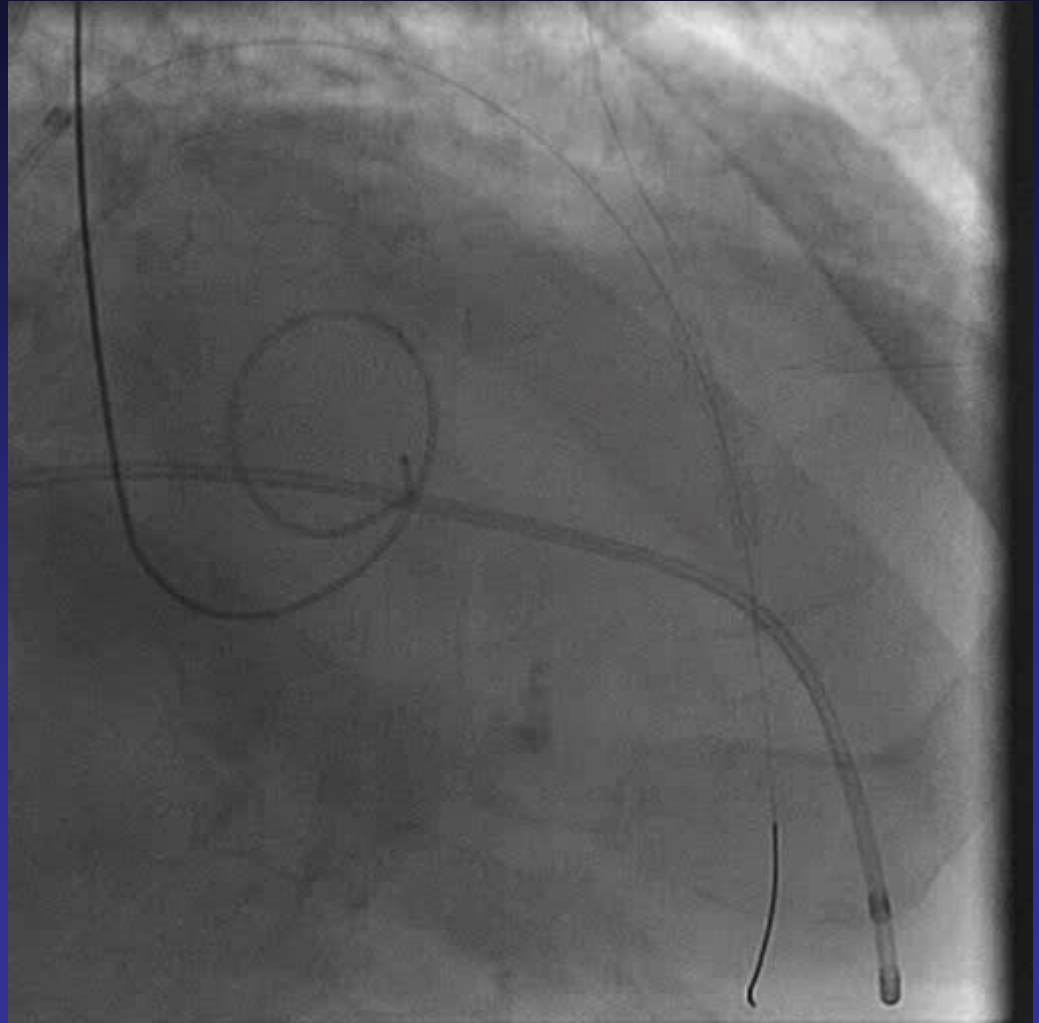
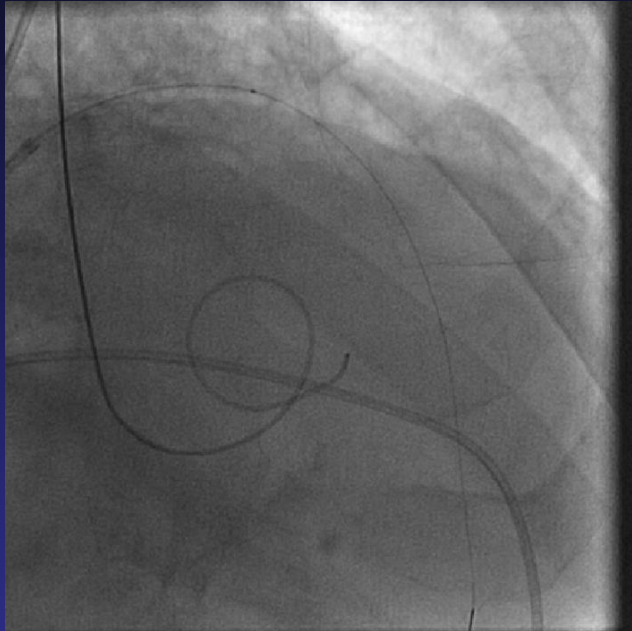
After BAV → Severe Chest Pain



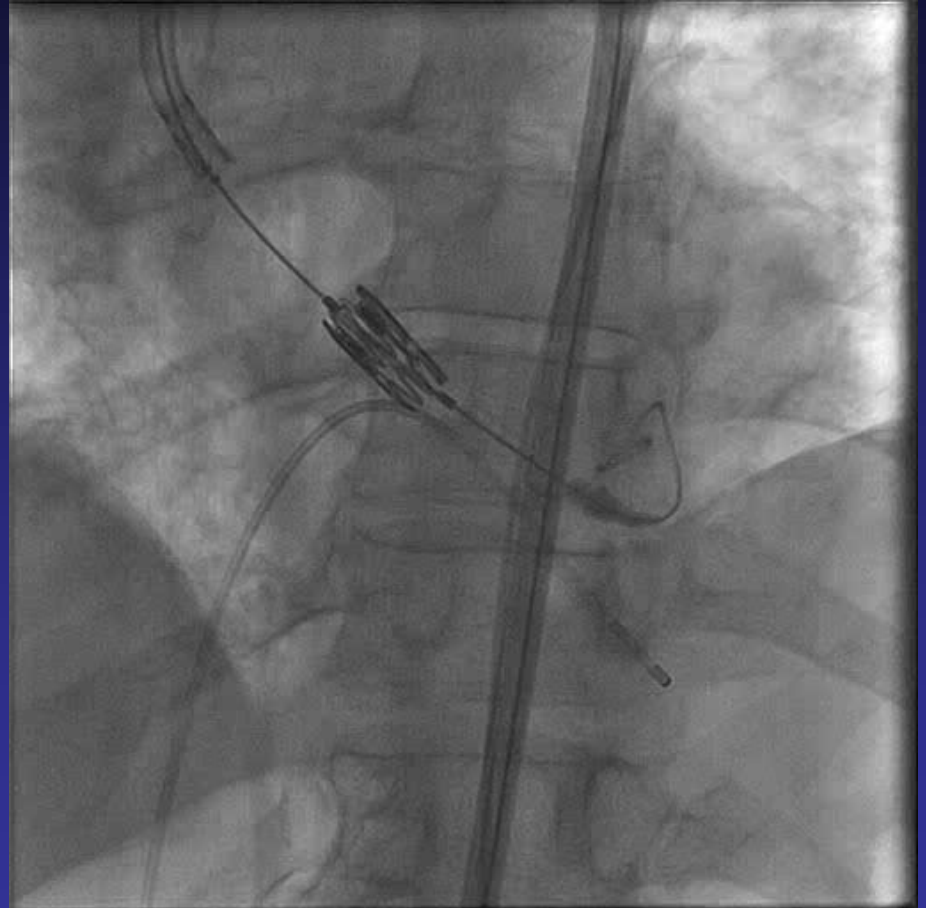
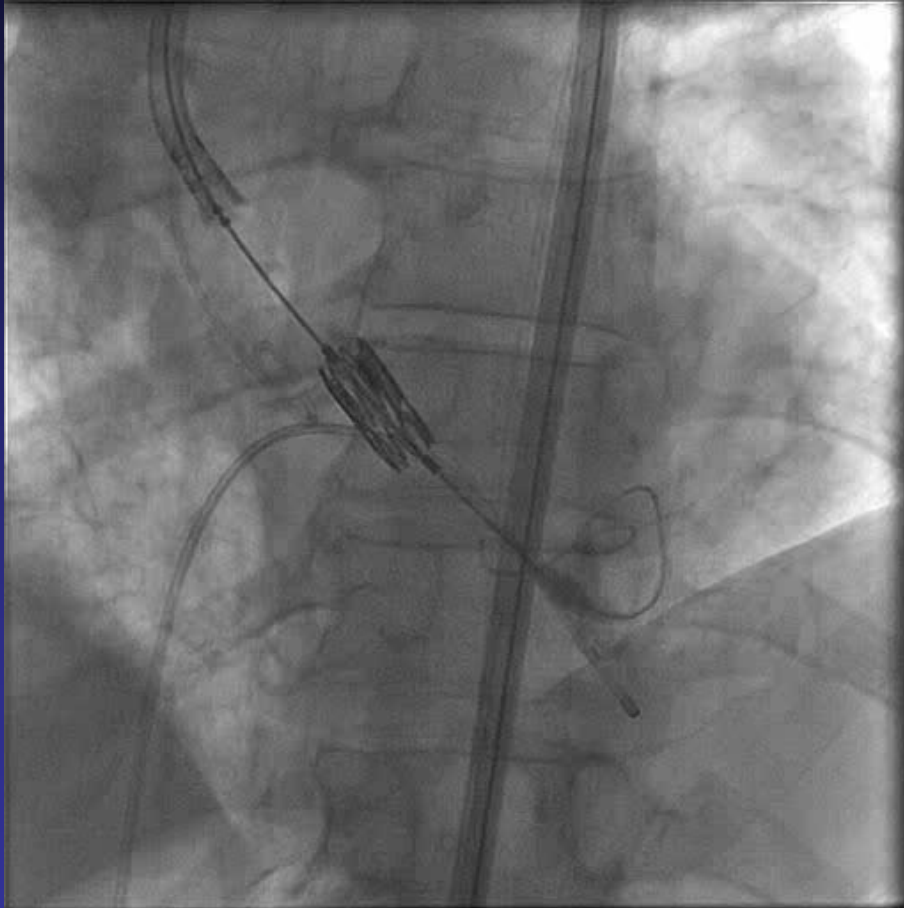
Coronary Angio.....



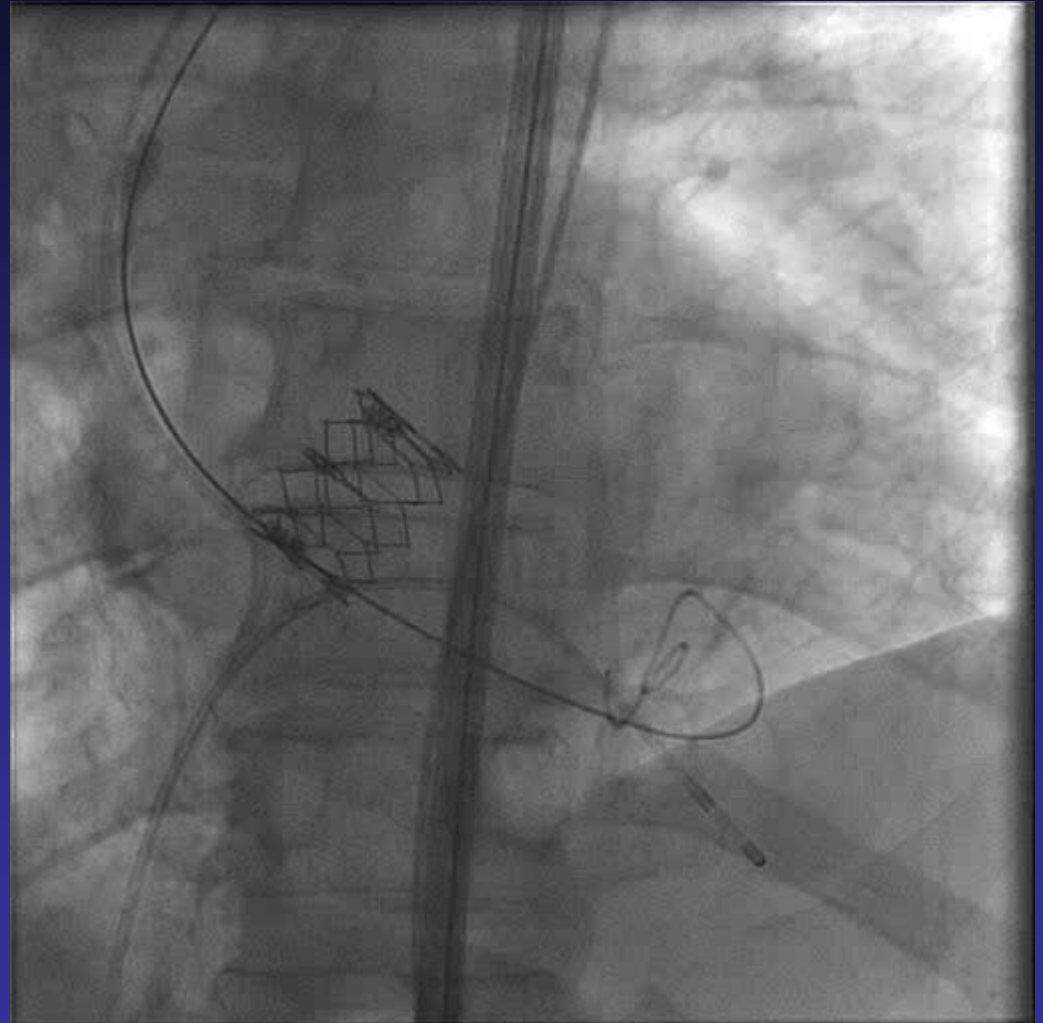
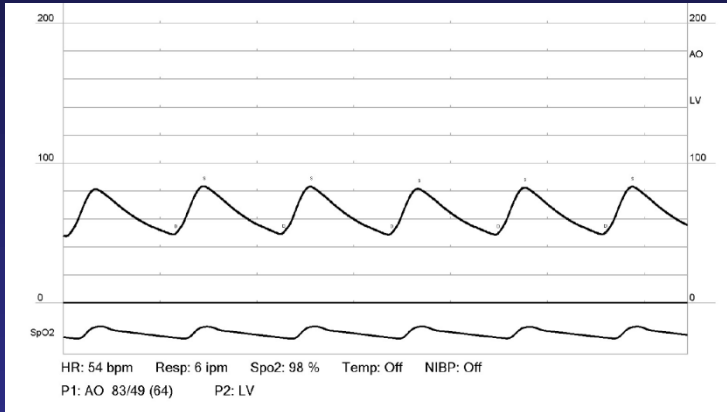
Immediate aspiration and stenting



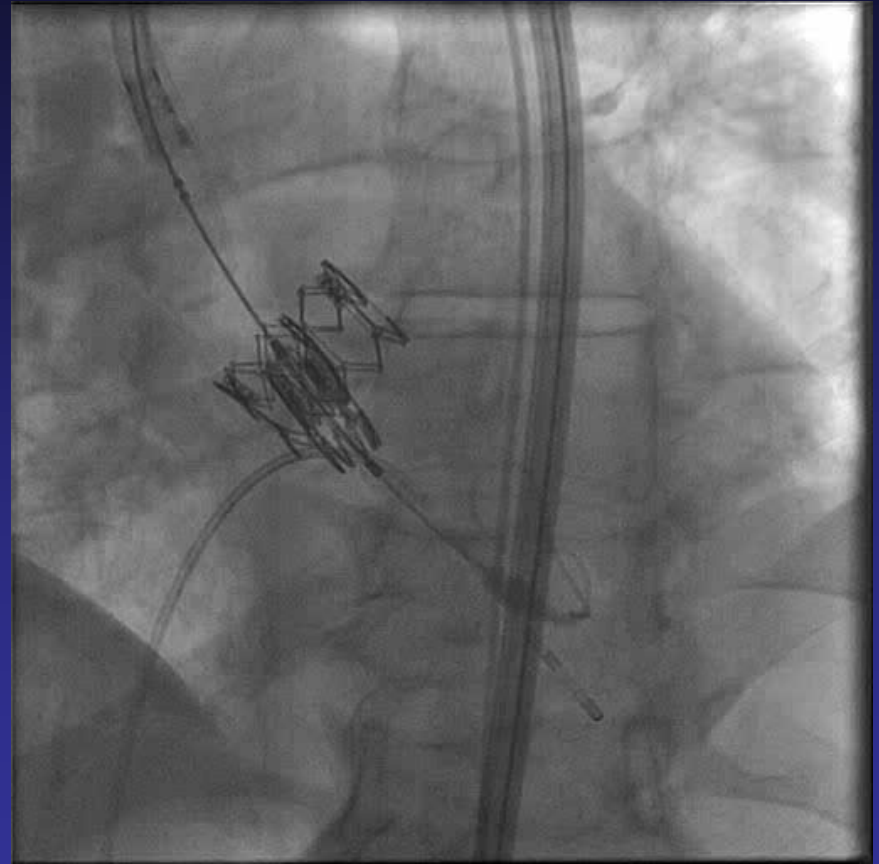
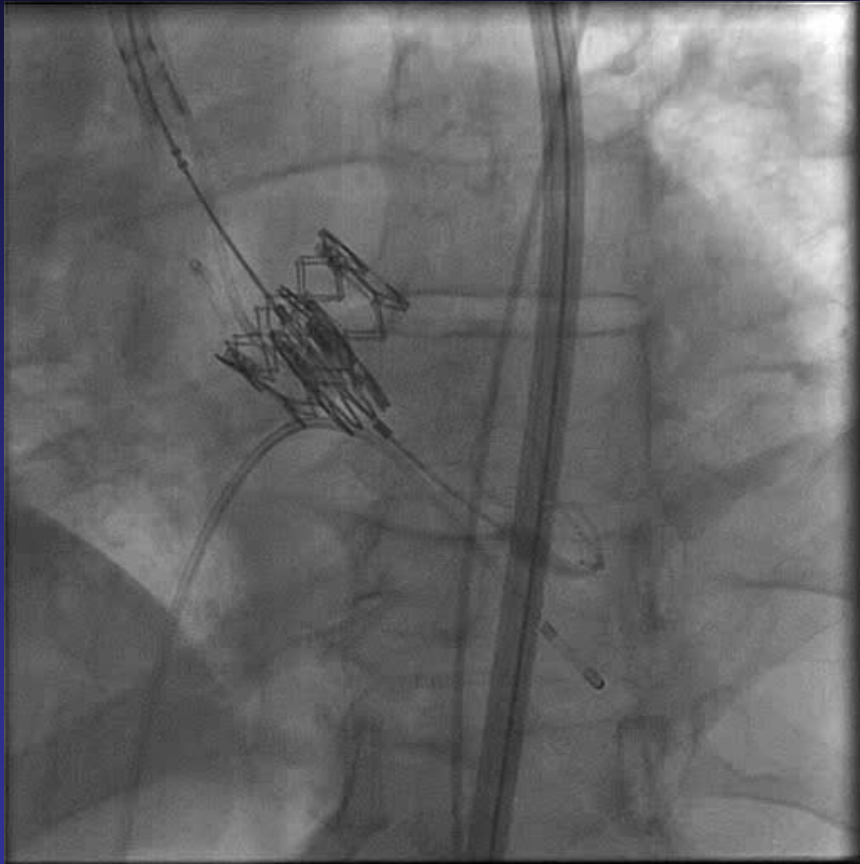
Valve Positioning & Implantation



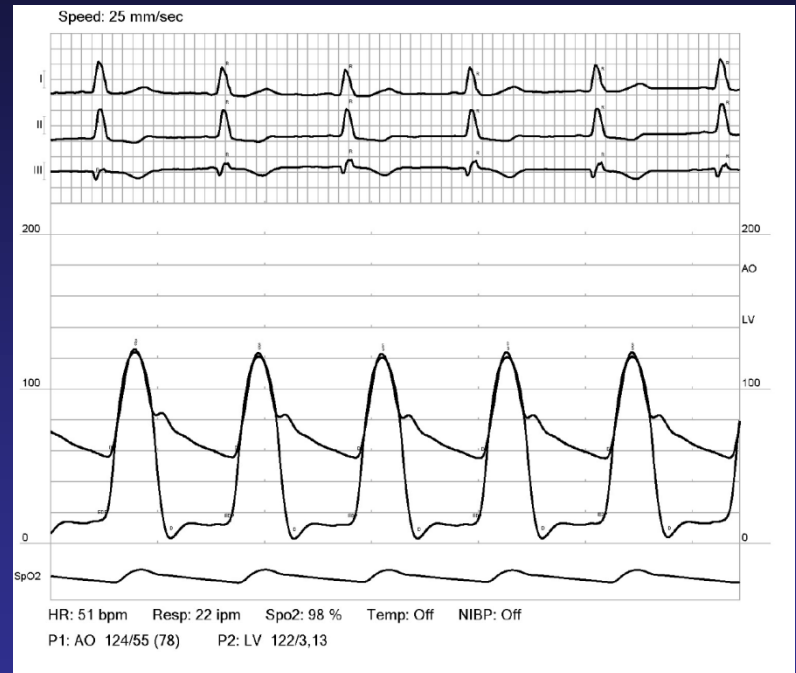
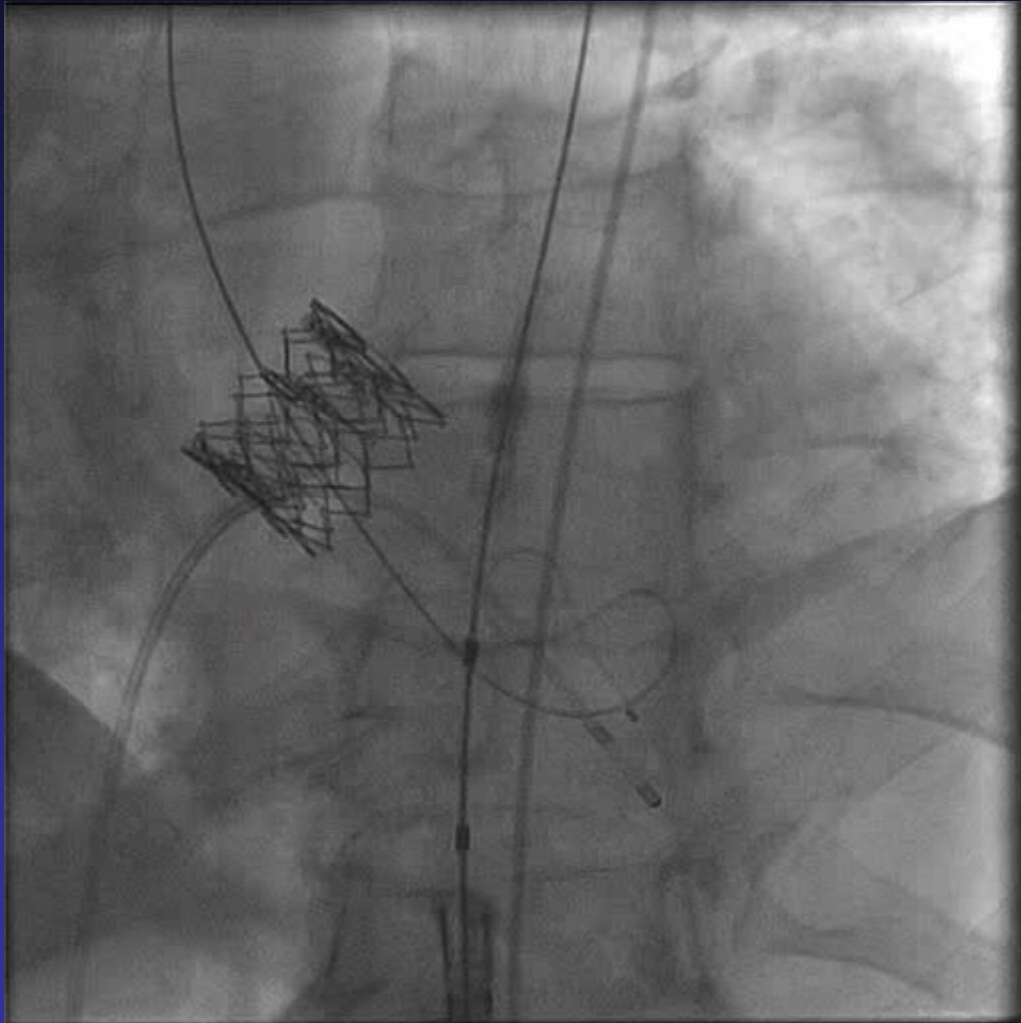
Supra-Annular Implantation with Severe AR



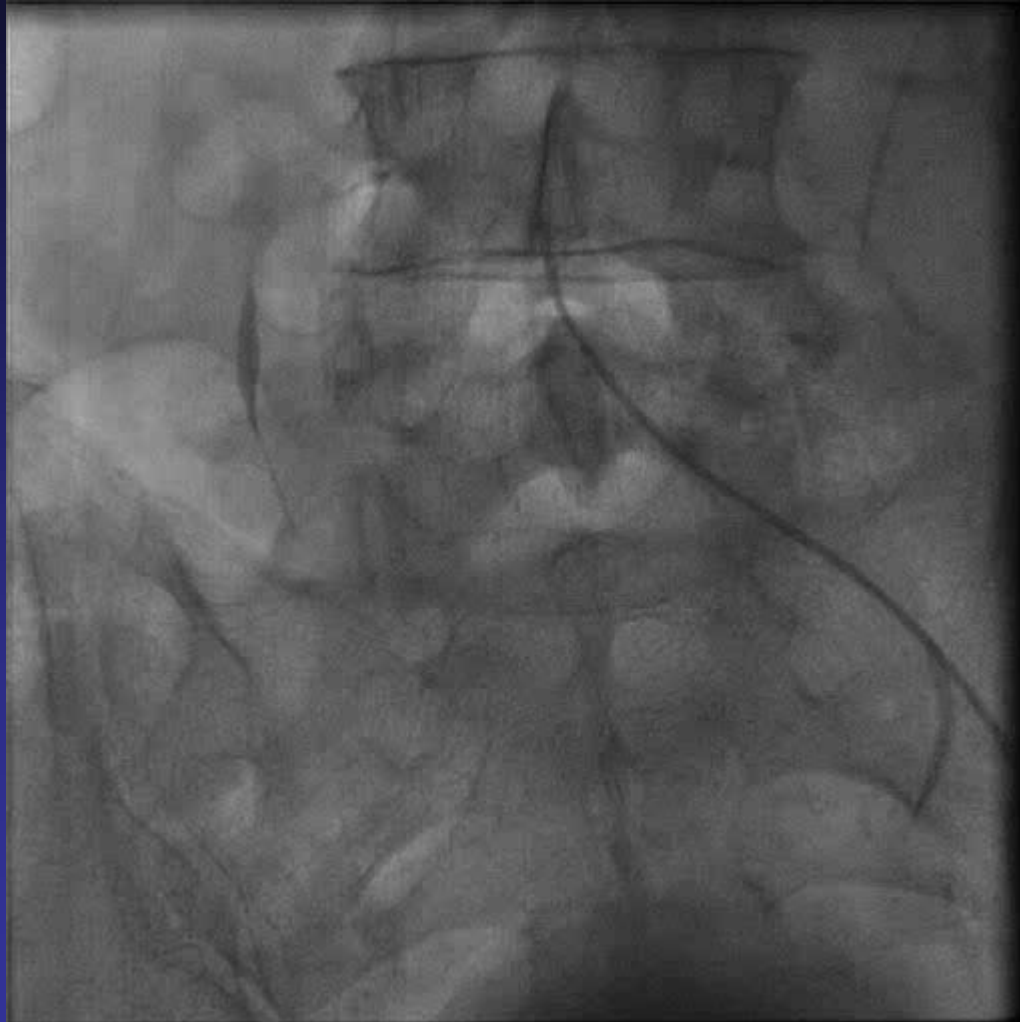
Valve-in-Valve



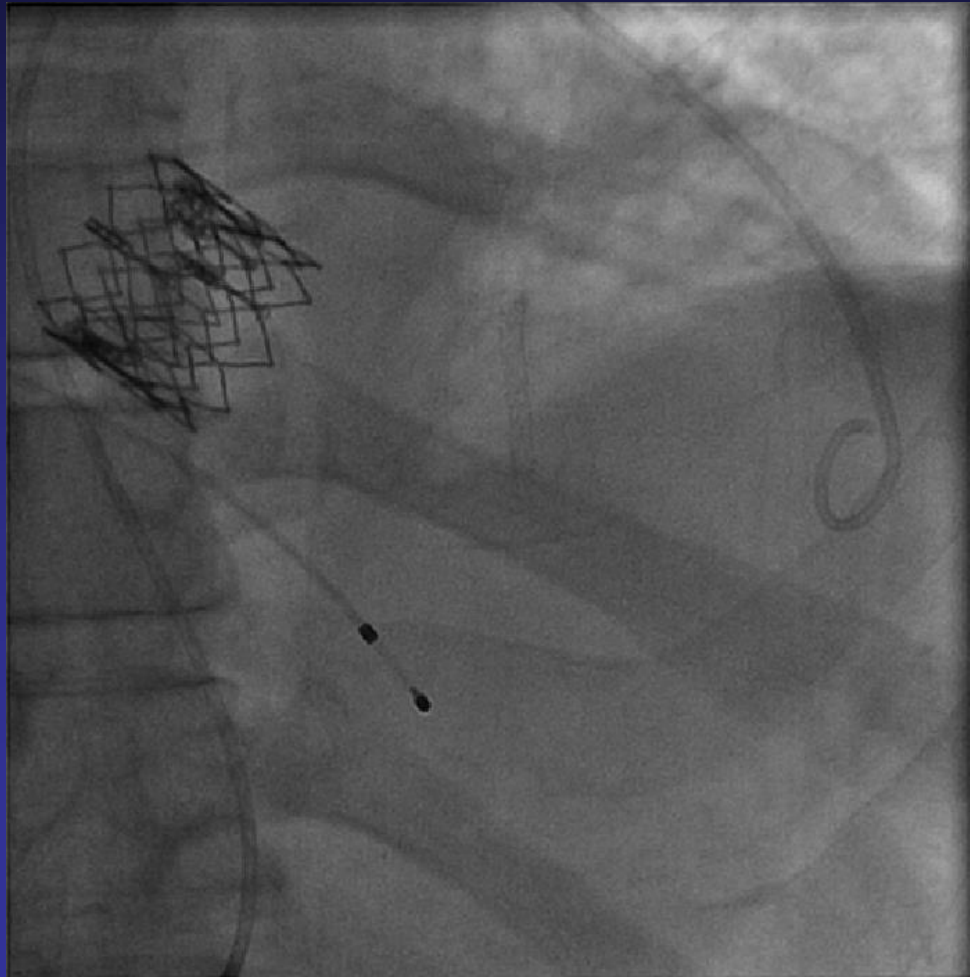
Final Results



Final Femoral Angio



Not the end of the story.....
10 min later – sudden hypotension
STAT echo → Tamponade

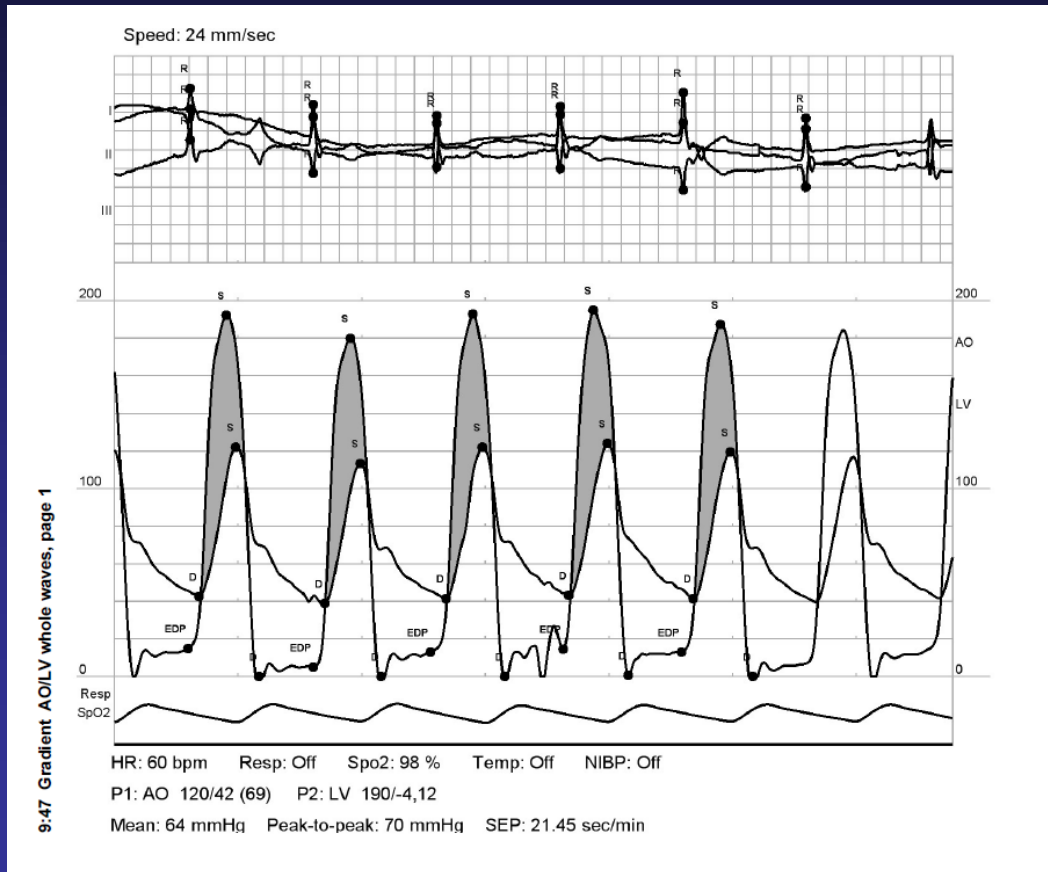


A case of late tamponade

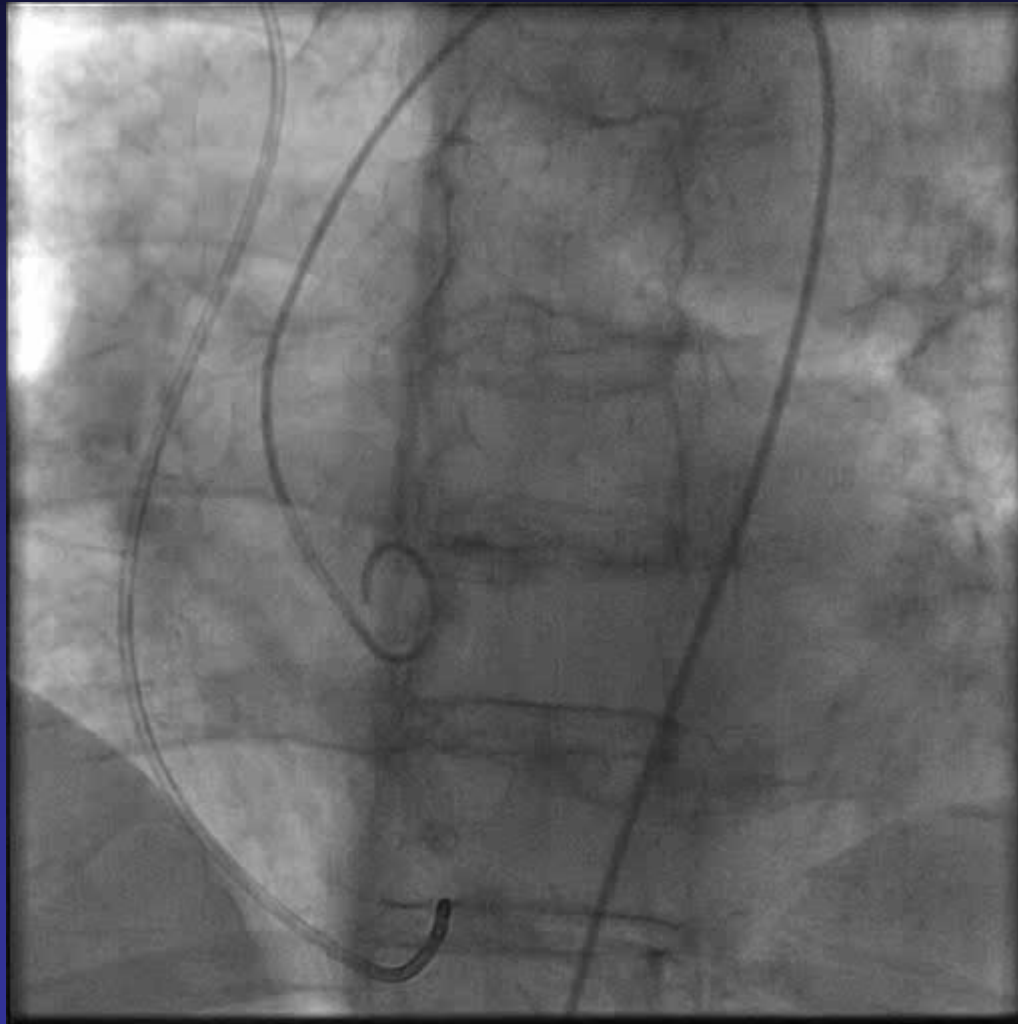
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 - Grad 80/60
 - AVA 0.64
 - SPAP 55

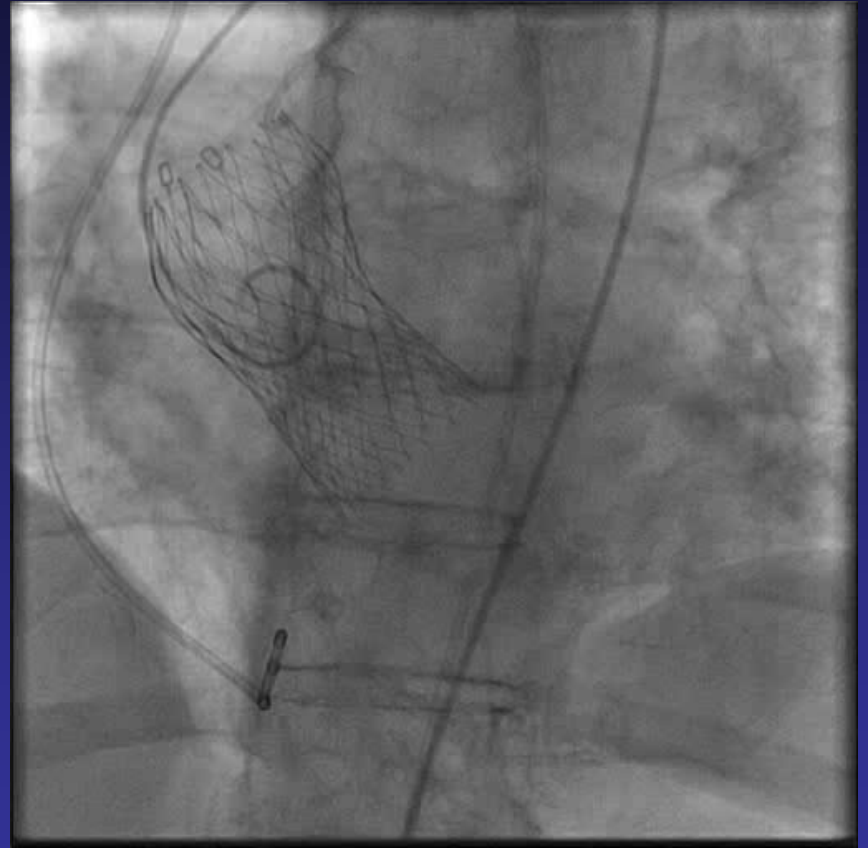
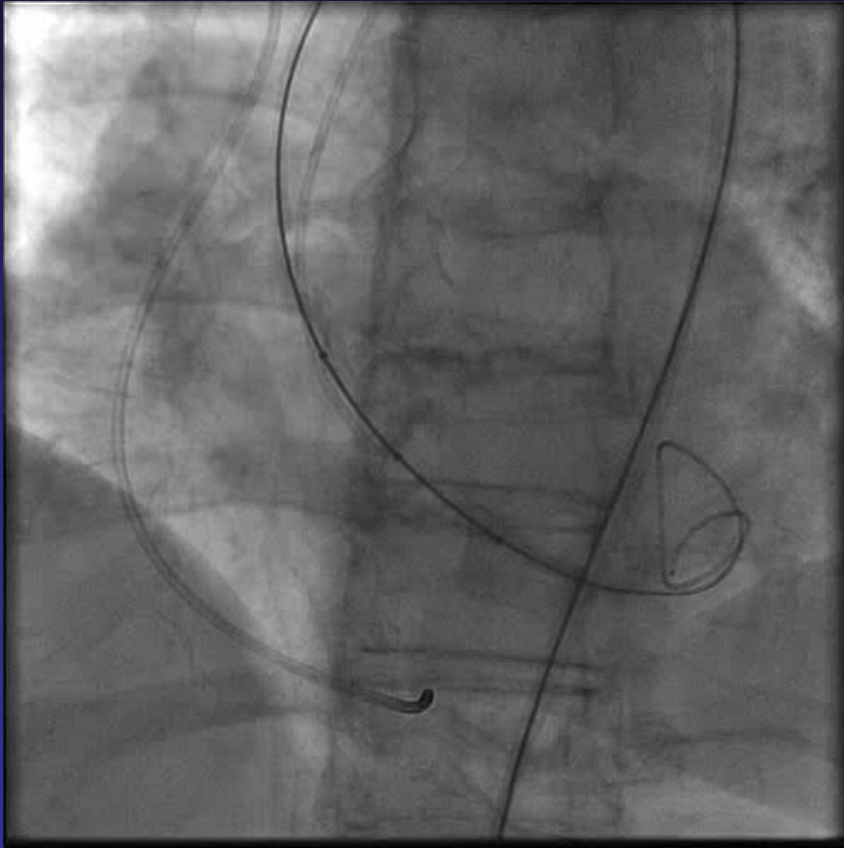


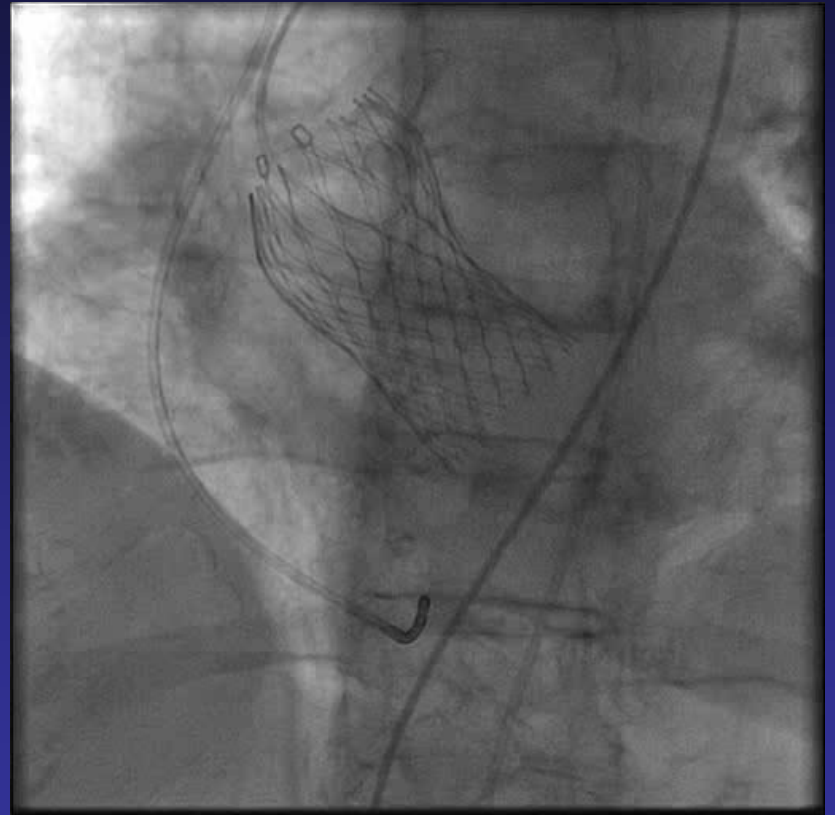
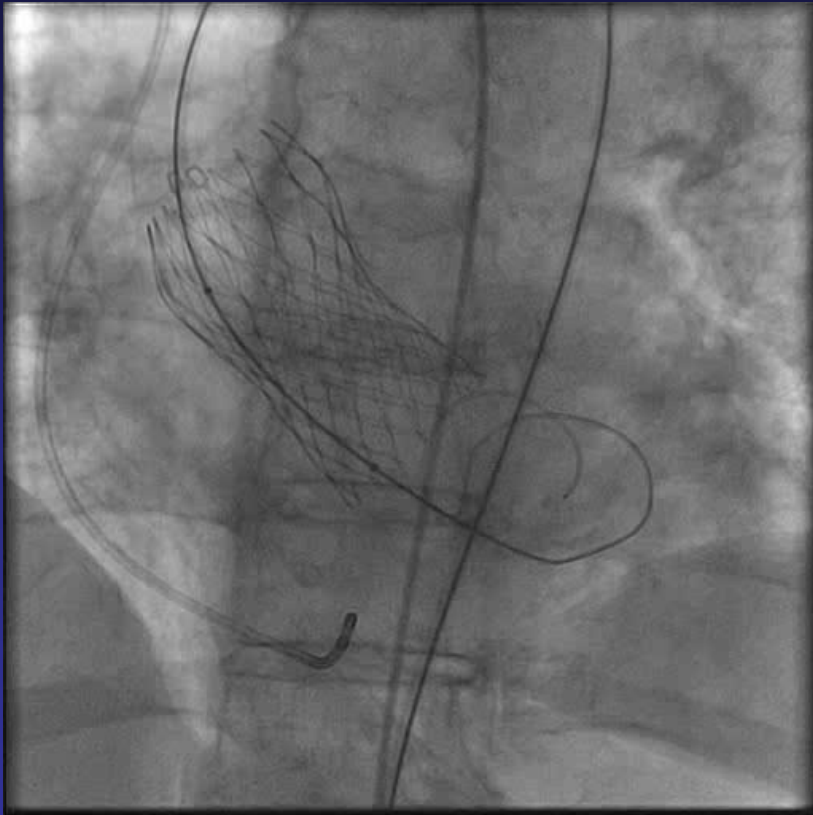
Severe AS



Temporary pacemaker

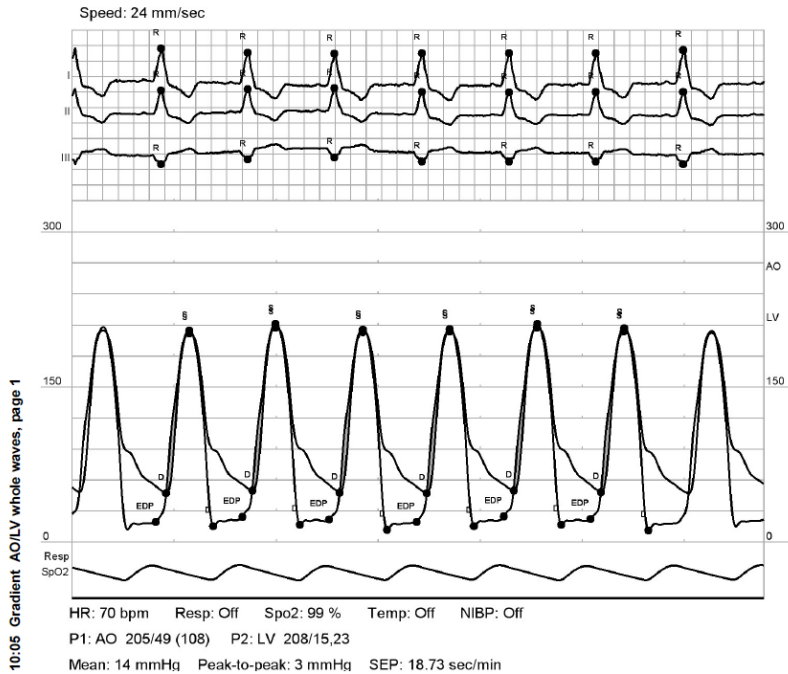




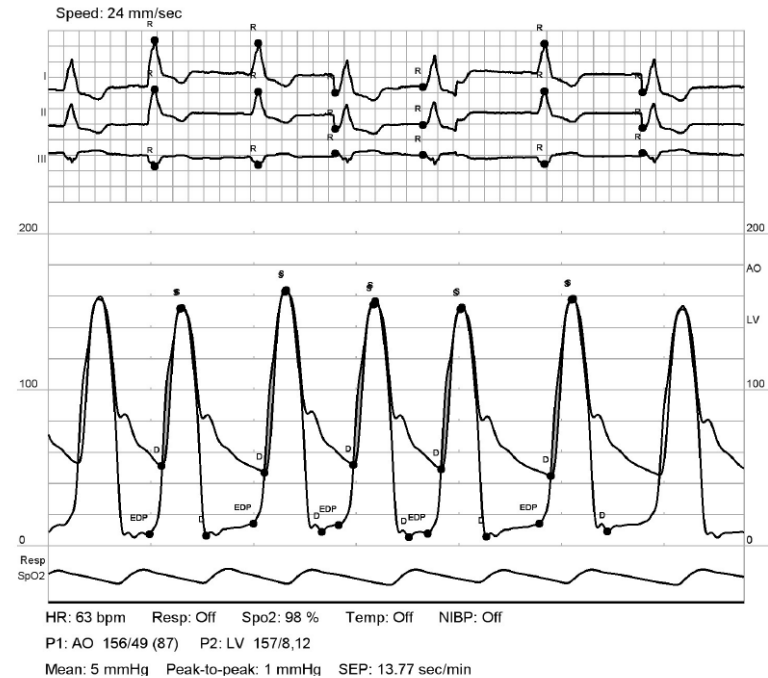


Hemodynamics pre and post dilation

Post Implantation



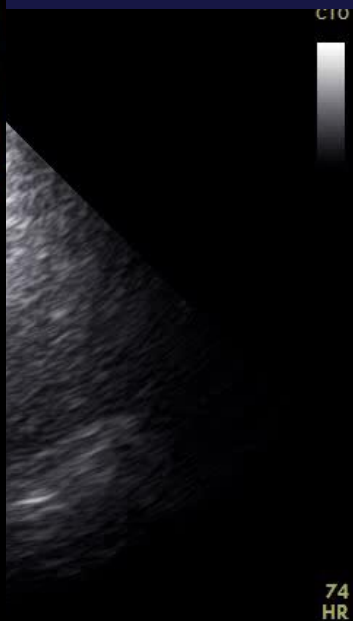
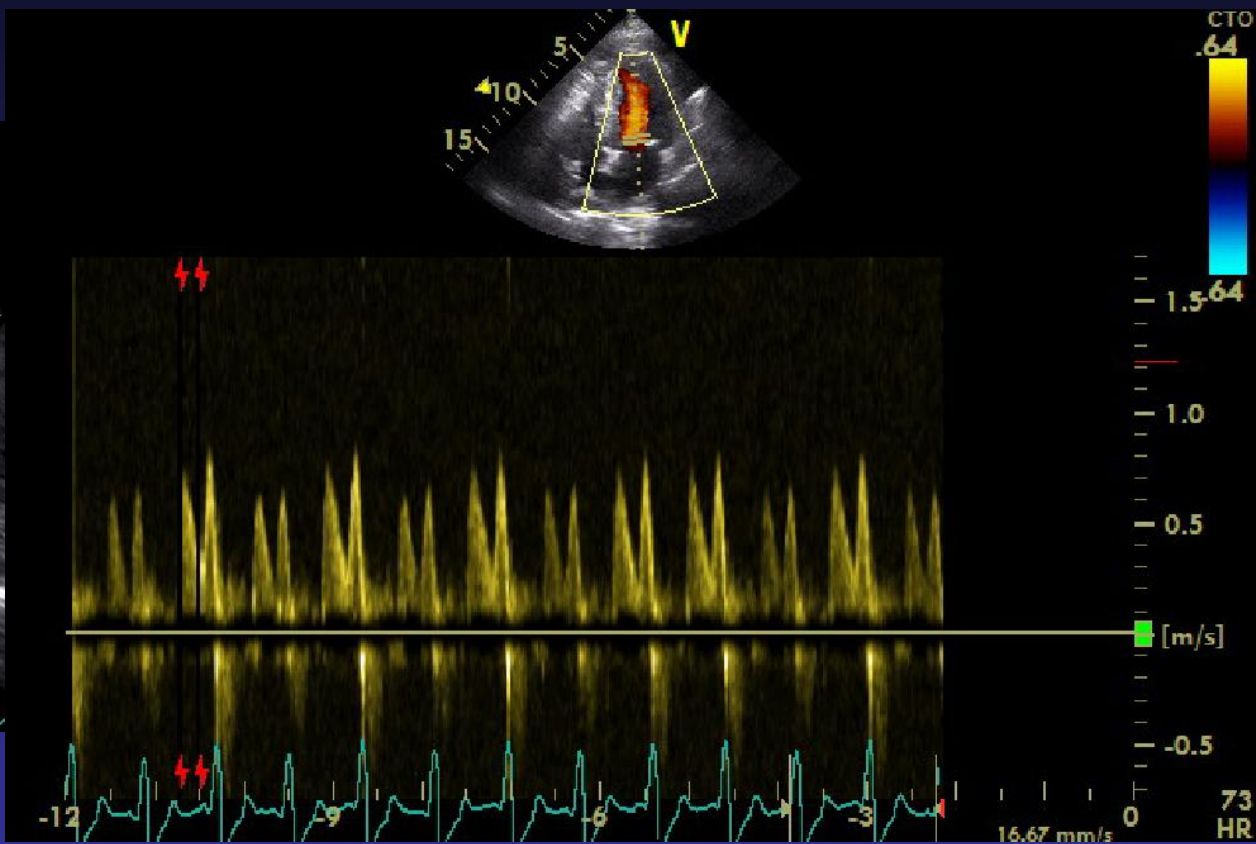
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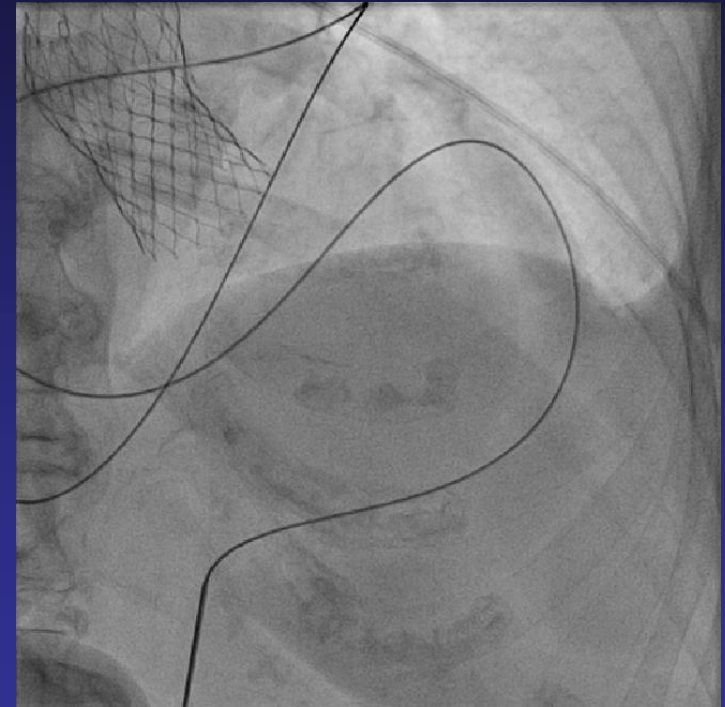
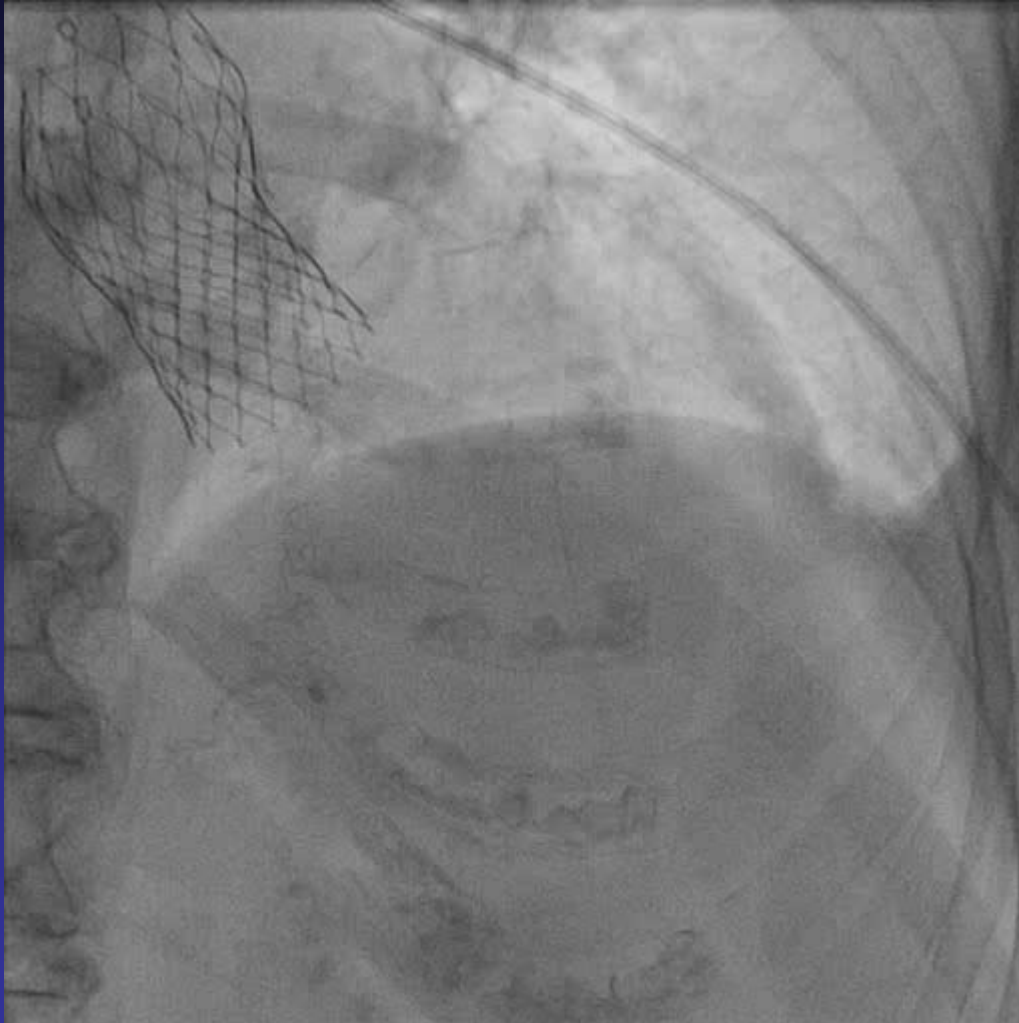
Follow-up CCU

- **Stable**
- **No heart blocks**
- **On day2 – removal of pacemaker**
- **1 hour later**
 - **Collapse**
 - **BP 40-50, tachycardia 140**
 - **STAT echo → tamponade**

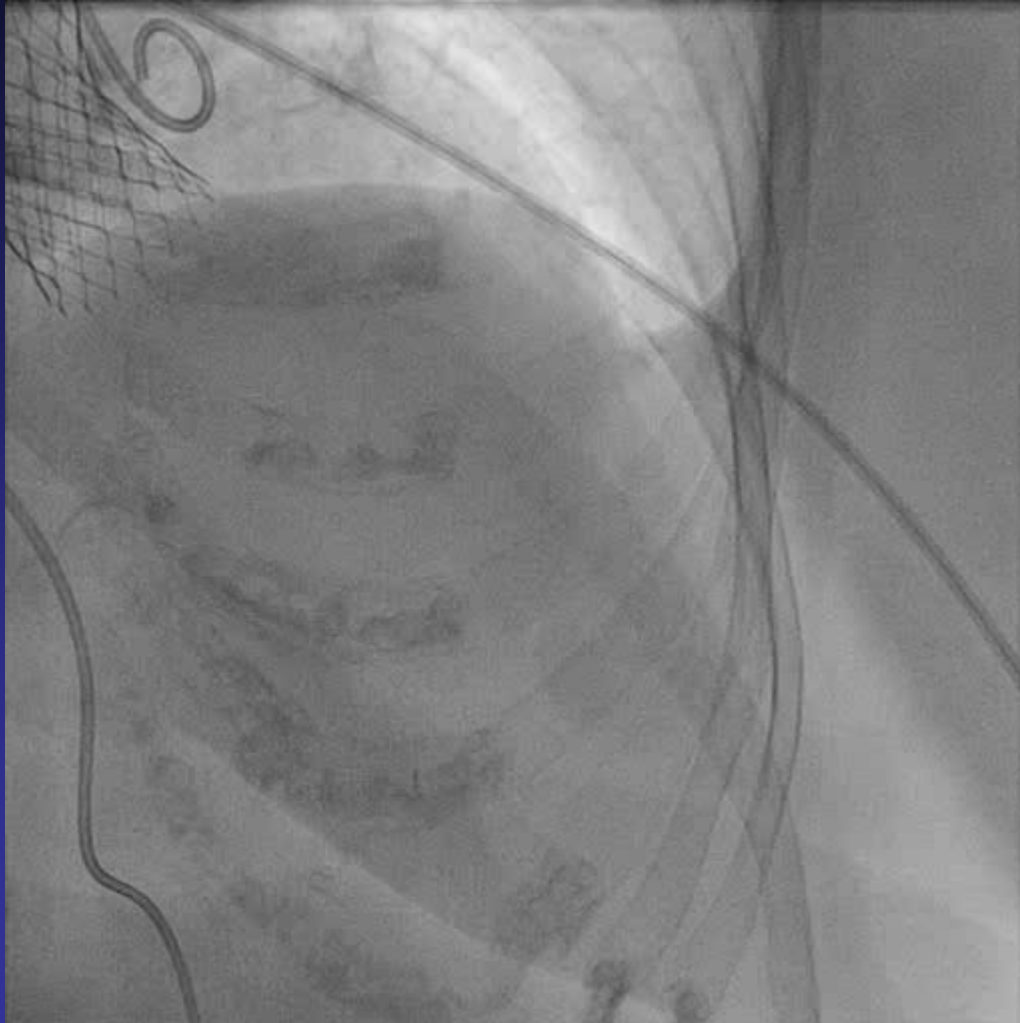




Cardiac tamponade on angio



Post tap



Discharged on day7

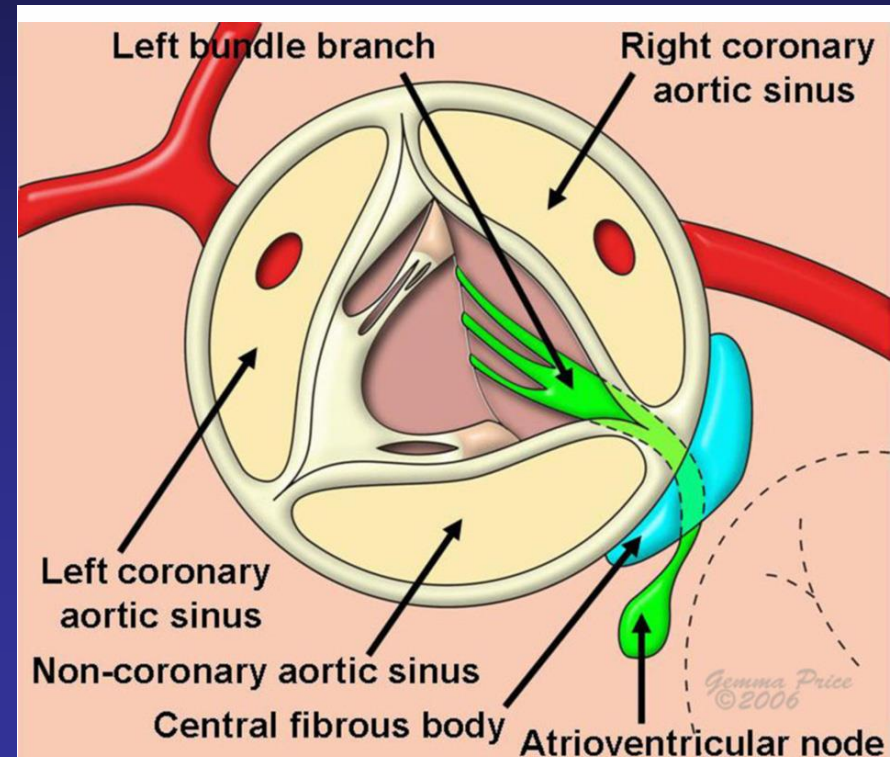
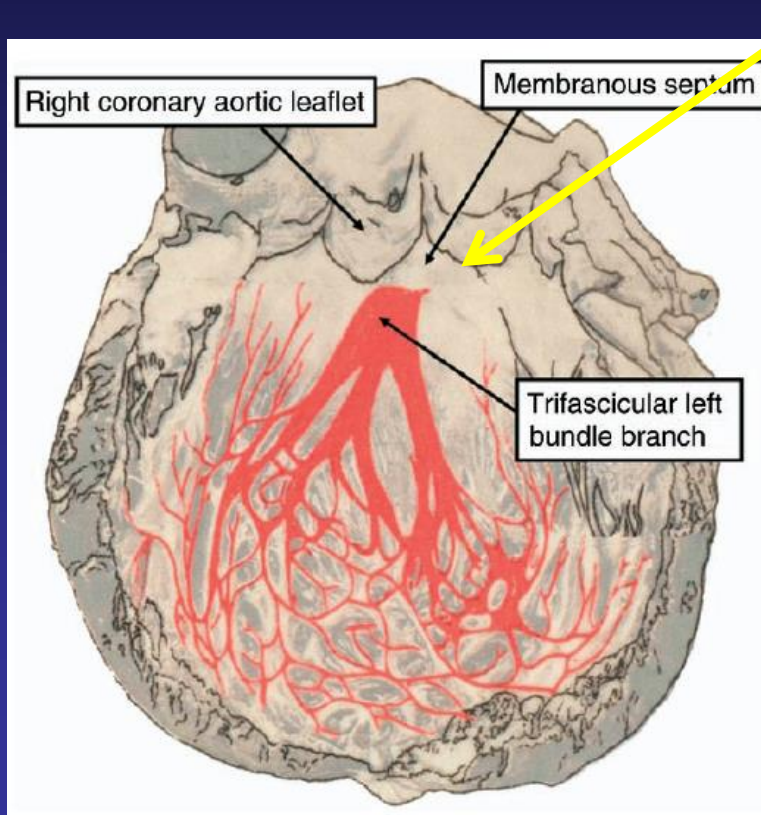


How to Avoid A-V Blocks?



Location of the Conduction System

6 mm from bottom of NCC to emergence of LBB



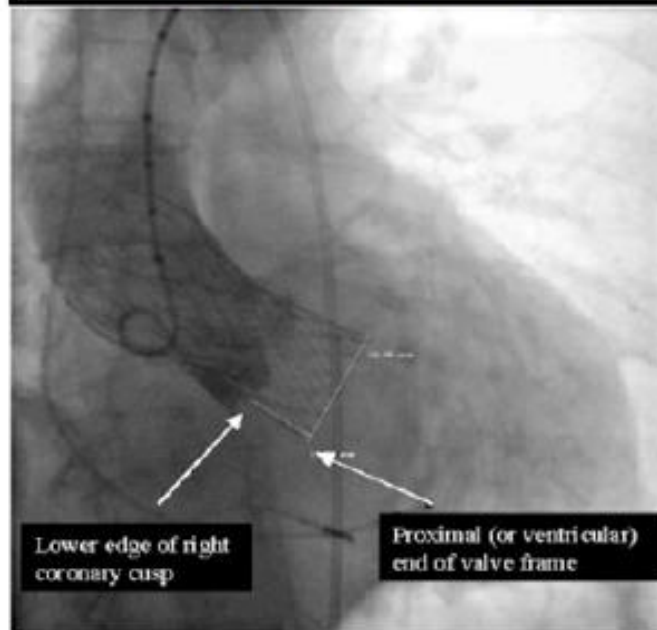
Depth of Implantation and LBBB

New-onset LBBB:

10.3 ± 2.7 mm

(range, 6.7 to 14.6 mm)

Related to depth of implantation



No LBBB:

5.5 ± 3.4 mm

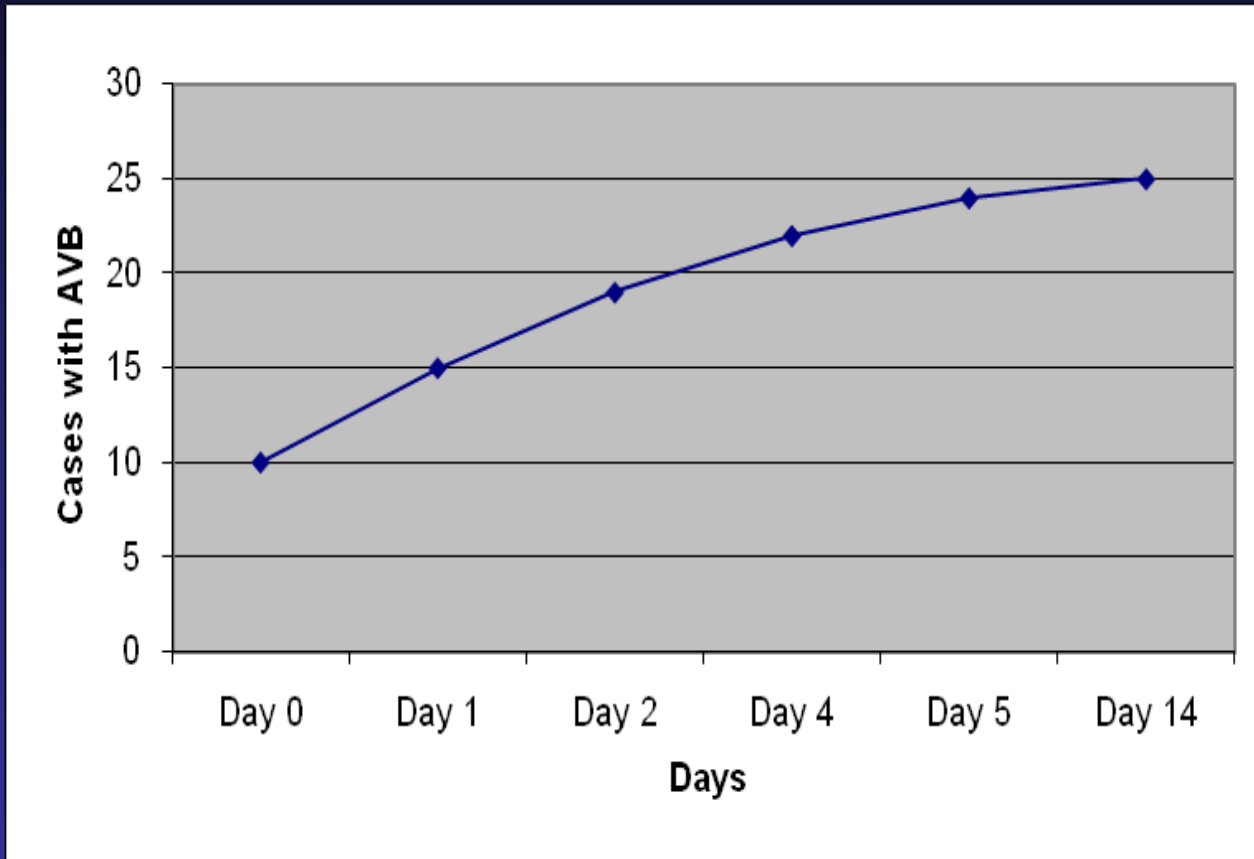
(range, 0.7 to 12.2 mm)

Early and Persistent Intraventricular Conduction

P = 0.005

Time to Development of High Degree AV Block

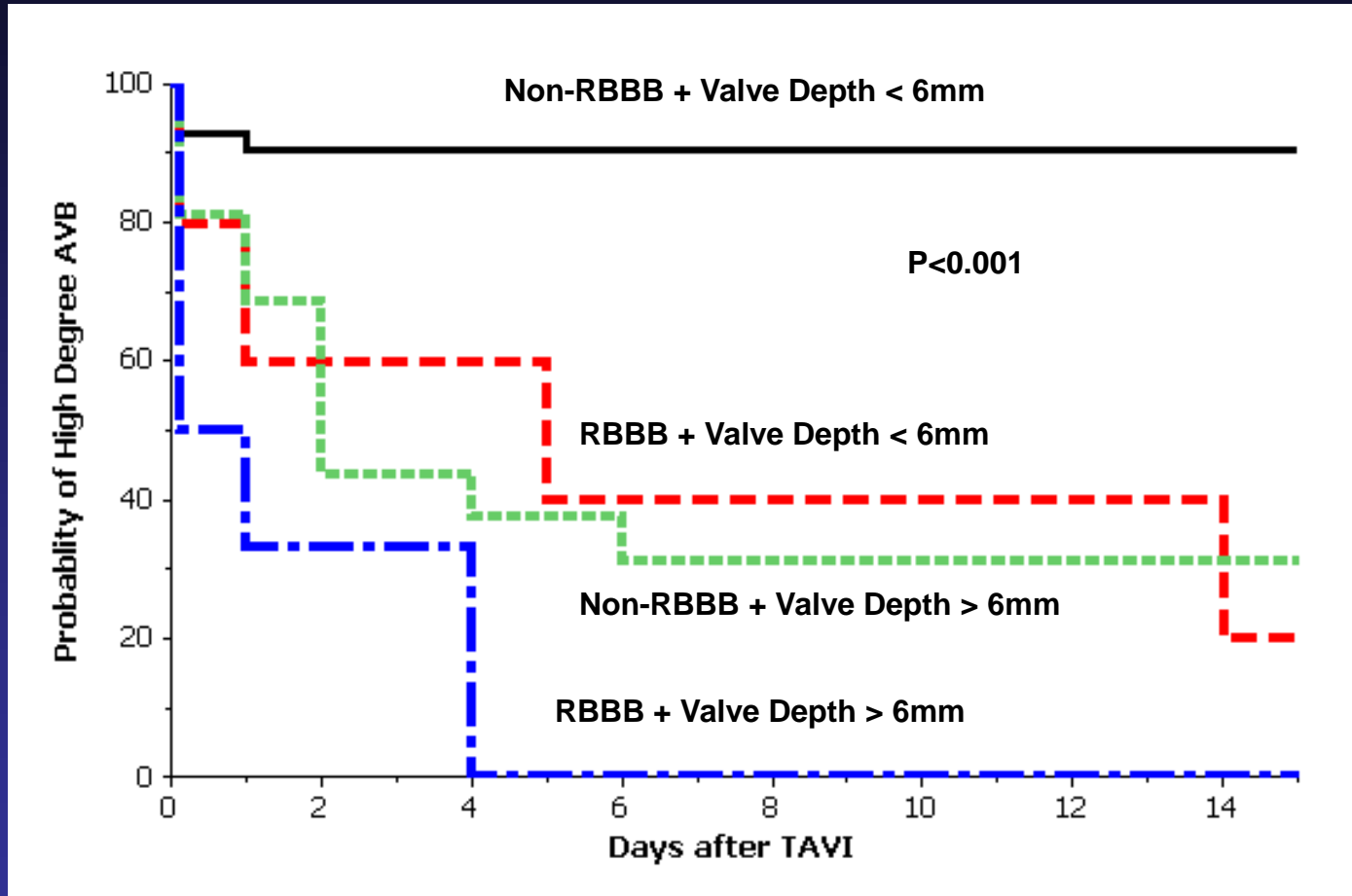
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Time to Development of High Degree AV Block Related to CRBBB and Depth of Valve Implantation



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Permanent Pacing After TAVI

- Absolute :
 - New high degree AV block of any duration (early or immediate implantation)
 - Alternating BBB
- Relative:
 - Preexisting LBBB+ 1st degree AVB with any change ?
 - Preexisting RBBB with any change ?
 - New LBBB + 1st degree AV block ? ?
- Role of EPS ?
 - Prophylactic pacing ?
 - Early decision after procedure ?



Monitoring After TAVI

- In-hospital monitoring for 5 days
- 3 days for “low risk” patients ?
- Holter before discharge in borderline cases
- Role of pre discharge EPS ?



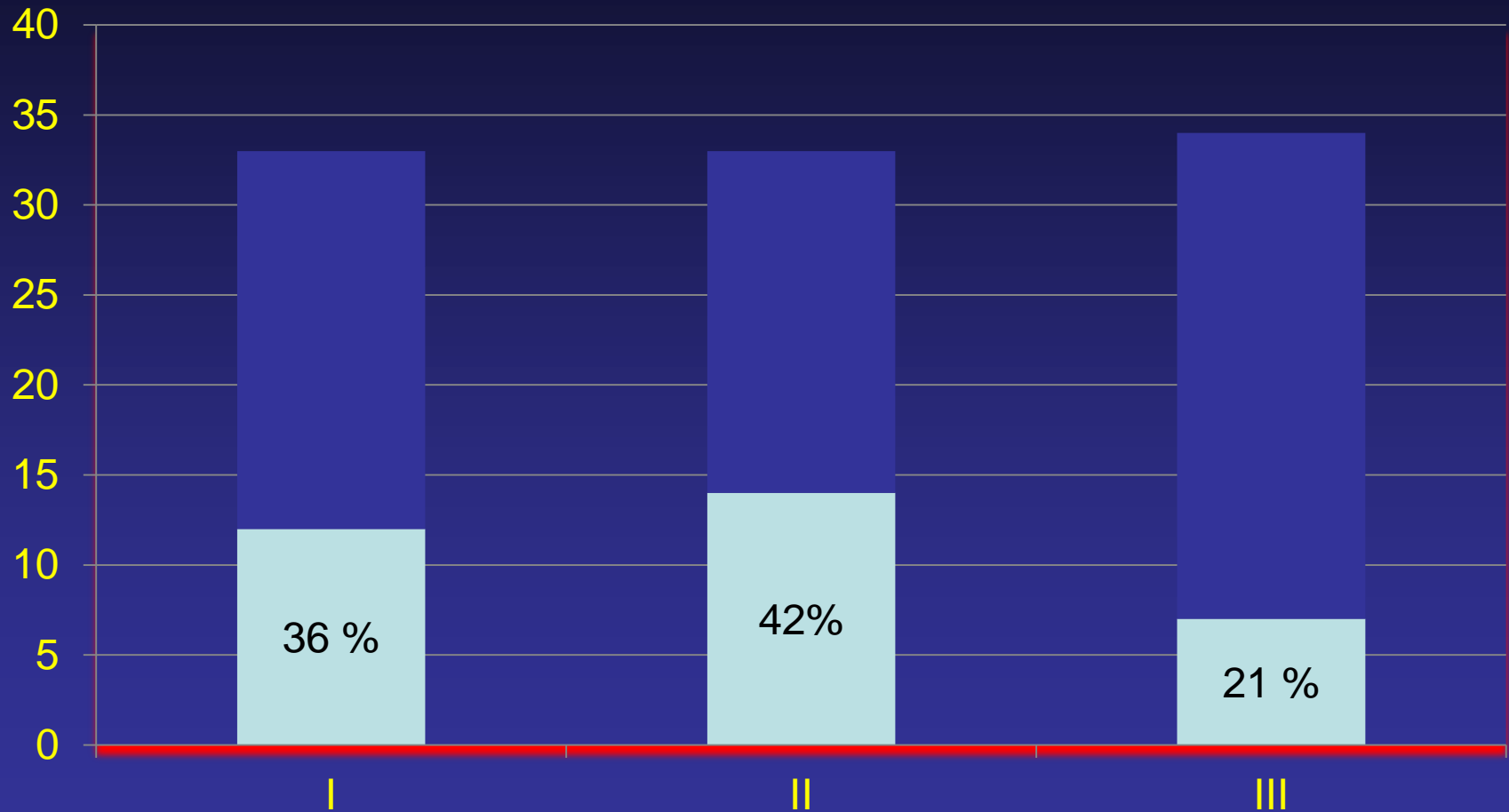
Preventive Measures

- Use Edwards Sapien in RBBB
- High position of Corevalve
- Preventive permanent pacing before TAVI:
 - Absolute :
 - Preexisting indications for PPM (History of syncope , holter !)
 - Relative :
 - All patients with RBBB undergoing CoreValve implantation ?
 - All patients with preexisting LBBB + 1st degree AV block undergoing CoreValve implantation??



PPM by Tertiles

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Conclusions

- Be prepared for severe vascular complications and treat hemorrhagic shock
- Cardiac tamponade may occur during and late after procedure
- Monitor for heart blocks



Thank You !

