

Radial Access, Angiography and Intervention

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Radial vs Femoral

- RADIALIST



- FEMORALIST





Interventionalist preferring RADIAL as the
default access

Overview

- Practical, interactive session
- Review of the basics
- Getting radial access – puncture to engagement
- Catheters
- Tips and tricks for coronary engagement and catheter manipulation
- PCI via radial access
- Complications and troubleshooting

Basics of radial access

Patient selection

- Radial pulse
- Dual circulation
- Previous procedures
- Elective vs ACS (STEMI vs NSTEMI)

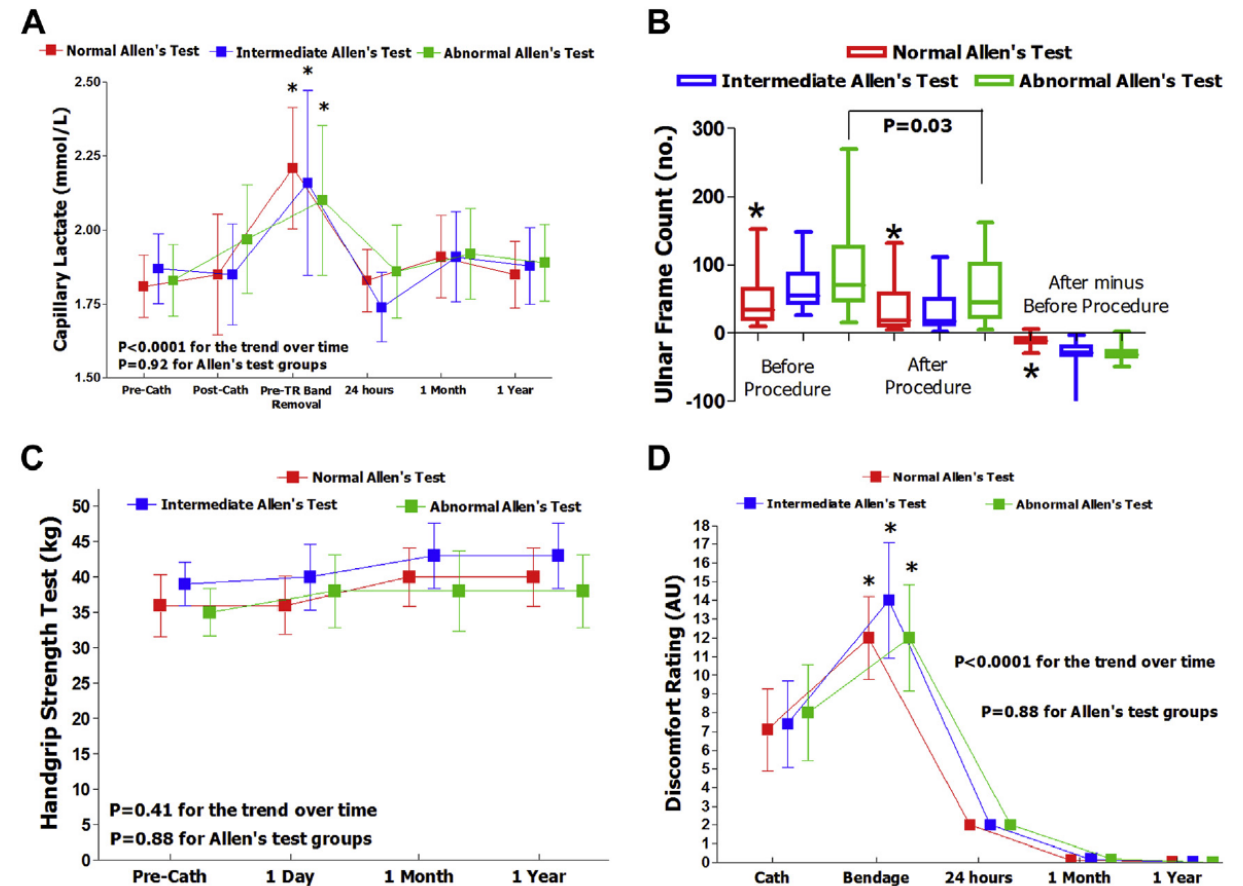


Figure 4

Thumb Capillary Lactate, Ulnar Frame Counts, Handgrip Stress Test, and Self-Reported Discomfort Rates Over Time Across AT Results

(A) The levels of thumb capillary lactate did not differ after compared with before catheterization (cath) irrespective of Allen test (AT) results obtained at baseline. Thumb capillary lactate peaked immediately before arterial bandage removal in all AT result groups. * $p < 0.002$ versus baseline values in post-hoc analysis. (B) Patients with normal AT results showed lower ulnar frame counts both before and after catheterization compared with patients with abnormal AT results. Ulnar frame count was significantly lower after compared with the value before catheterization in patients with abnormal AT results. * $p < 0.05$ versus patients with abnormal AT results in post-hoc analysis for the difference of ulnar frame counts after minus before catheterization. (C) Handgrip test at baseline and follow-up. (D) Self-reported hand discomfort rating after transradial catheterization.

Basics of radial access

Patient preparation and equipment selection

- Pre-med
- Local anaesthetic
- Cocktail for spasm
- Dedicated radial access sets



Basics of radial access

Puncture and wiring

- Seldinger vs. modified seldinger
- Fewer attempts = less spasm
- Gentle advancement of introducing wire
- Tips, Tricks, Pitfalls

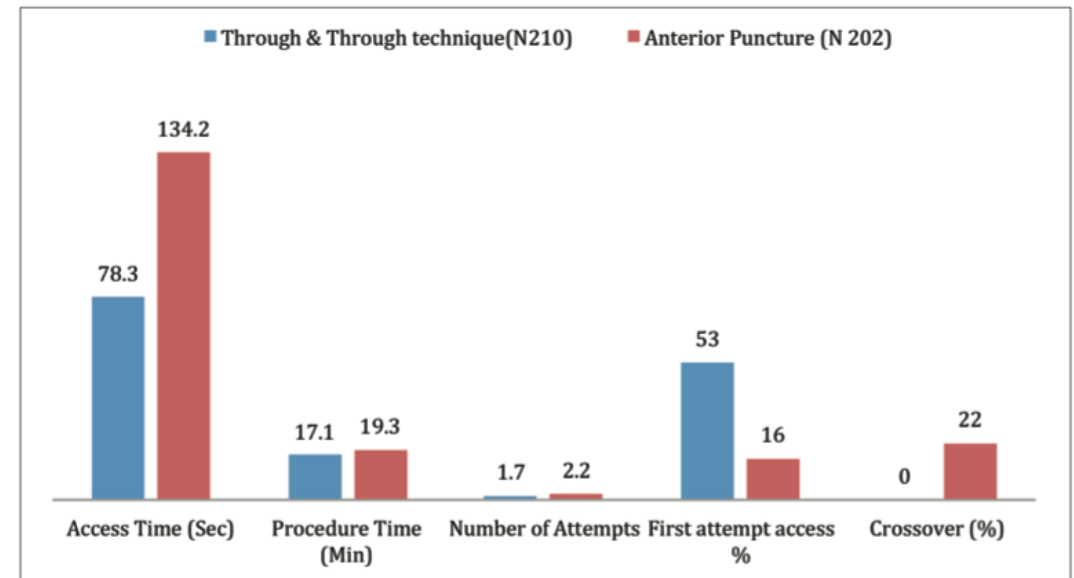


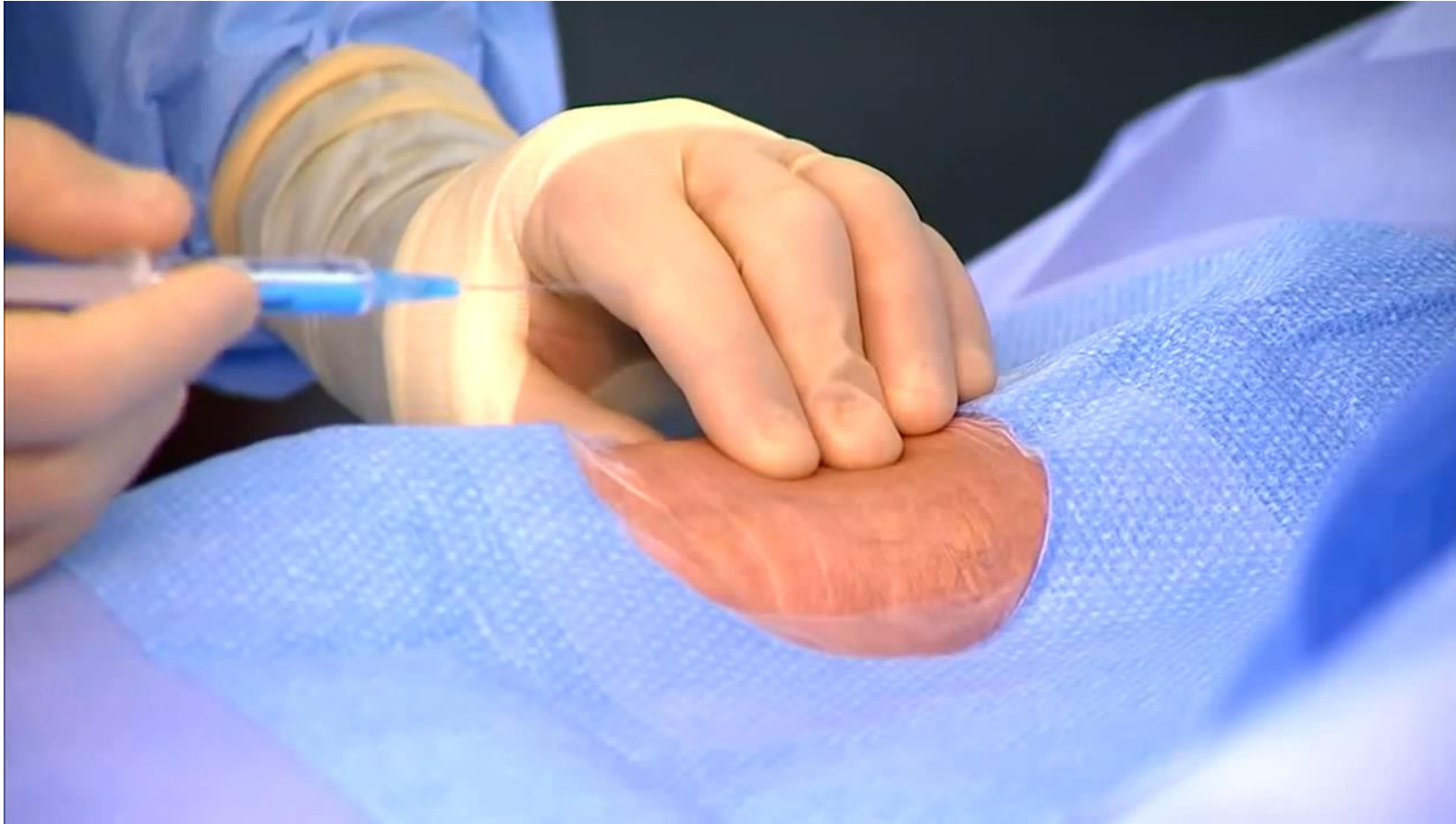
Figure 6. Radial Artery Access Technique Evaluation Trial.³

[Catheter Cardiovasc Interv.](#) 2012 Aug 1;80(2):288-91. doi: 10.1002/ccd.23445. Epub 2012 Mar 14.

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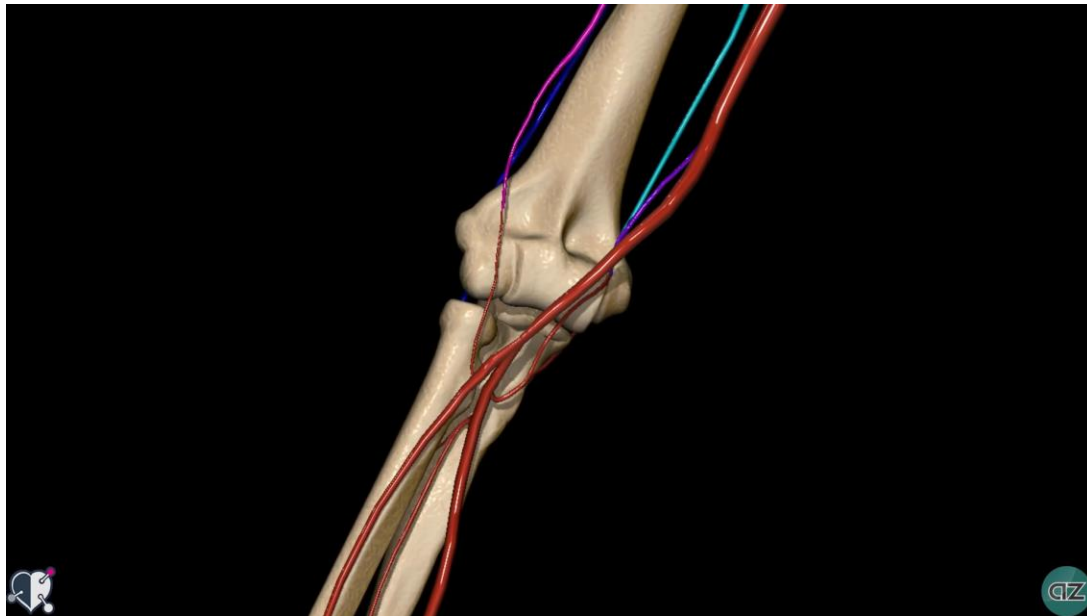
[Pancholy SB](#)¹, [Sanghvi KA](#), [Patel TM](#).

Puncture technique



Cocktails

Anatomy



Getting from puncture to engagement

Understanding anatomy

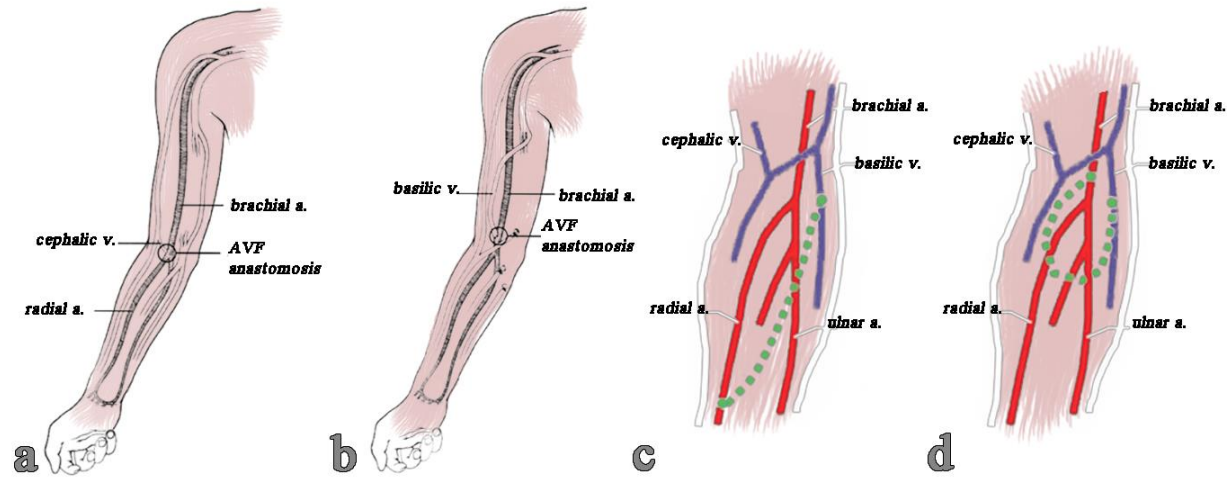


TABLE 3. Classification of the Radial Artery
Anatomical Anomalies in Our Patient Population*

	No. of cases (%)
1. Ectopic radial origin	22 (59%)
2. Radioulnar loop	6 (16%)
3. Radial tortuosity	4 (11%)
4. Radial bifurcation	3 (8%)
6. Radial hypoplasia	1 (3%)
7. Overdeveloped recurrent artery	1 (3%)

*Relative percentages of the total number of radial anatomical anomalies.

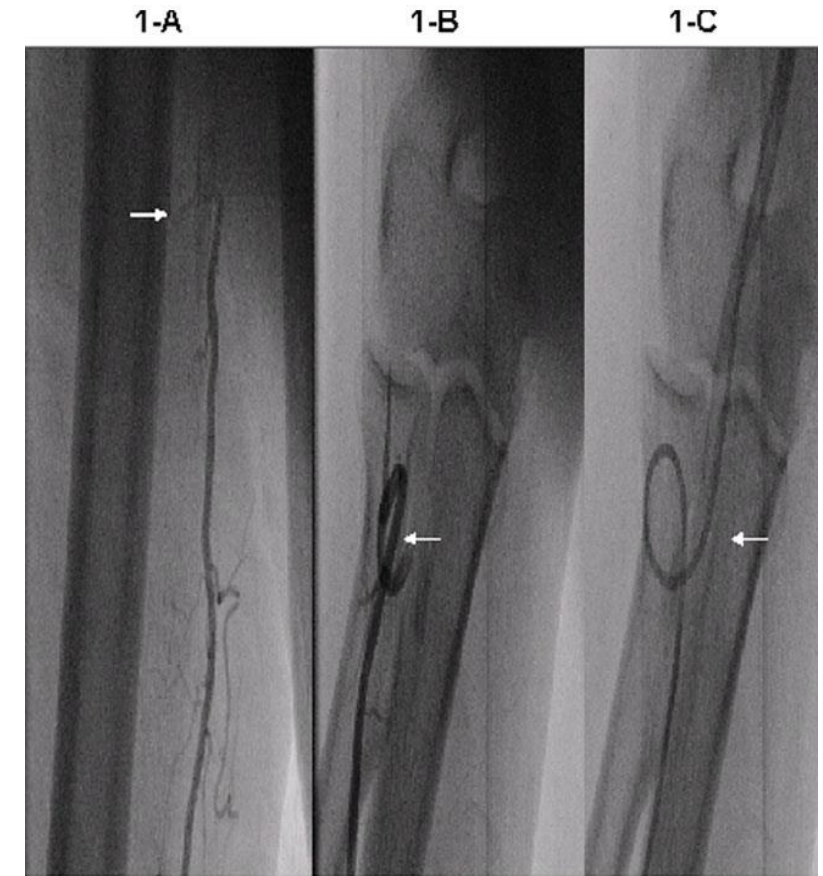


Figure (1-A). Large Accessory branch parallel to brachial artery, dye regurgance seen in brachial artery (arrow indicates); (1-B) Complete radio ulnar loop just distal to elbow joint; (1-C) Multi purpose catheter seen over the coronary wire into radio ulnar loop.

Doing it **S**afely, **E**ffectively, and **E**fficiently



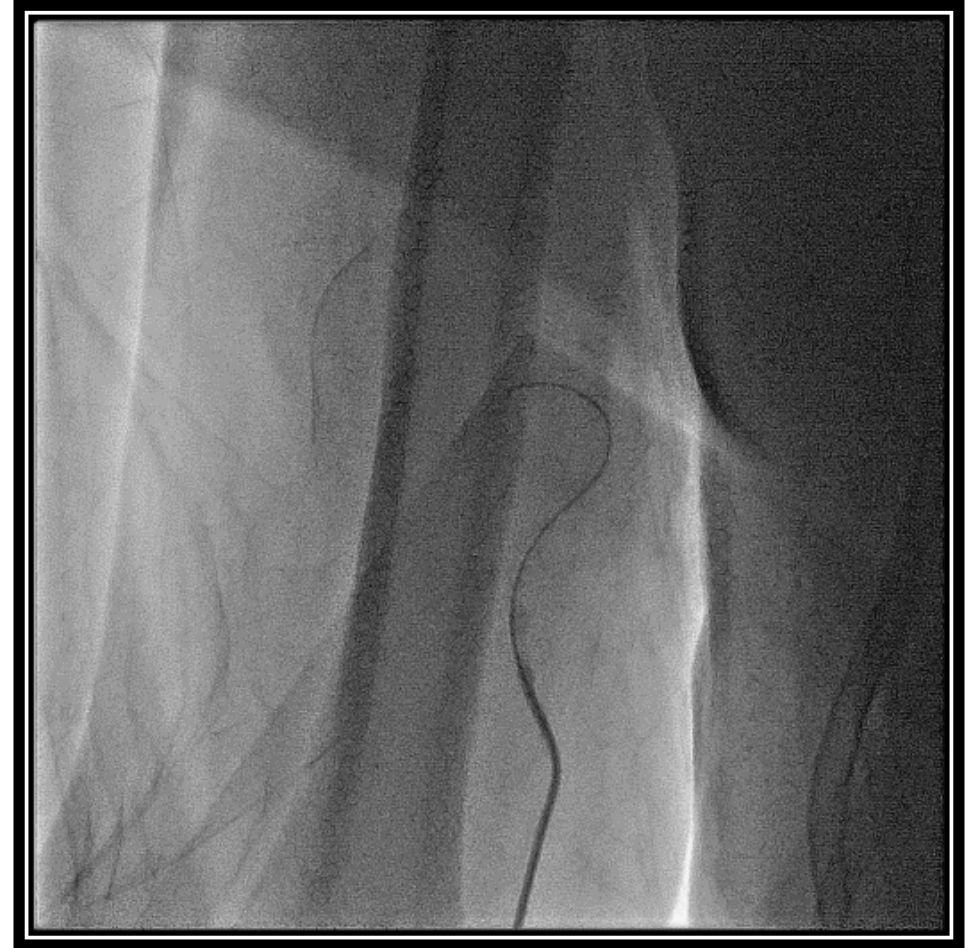
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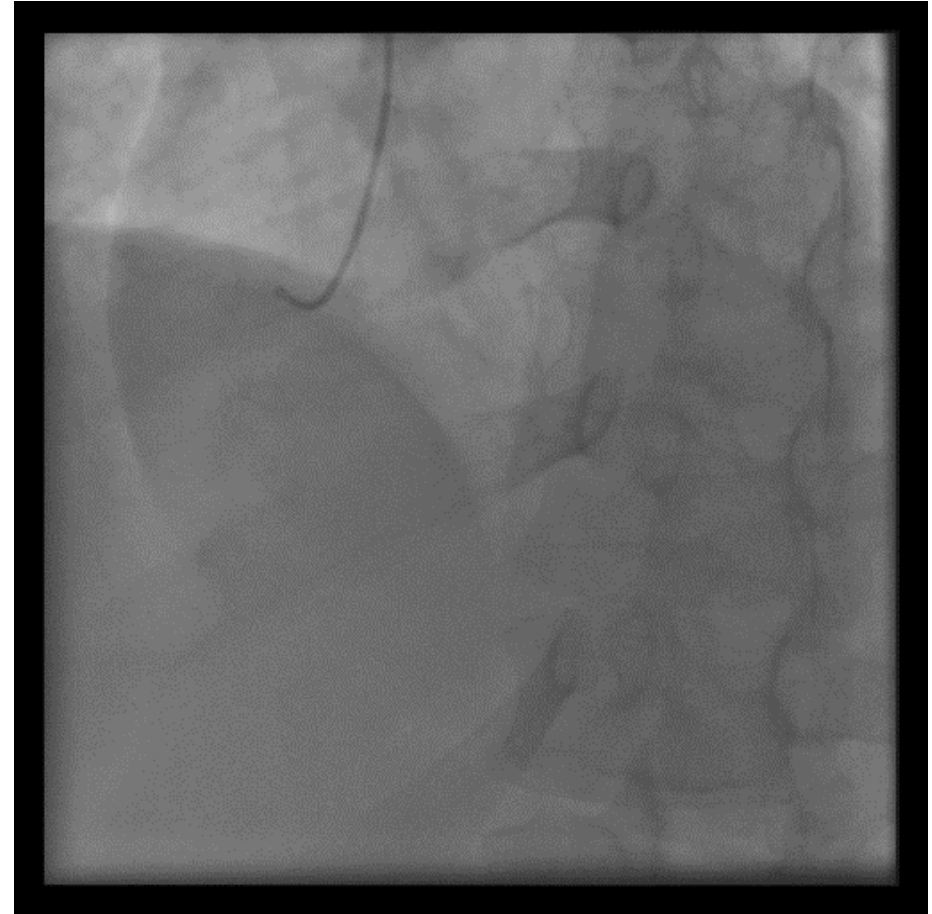
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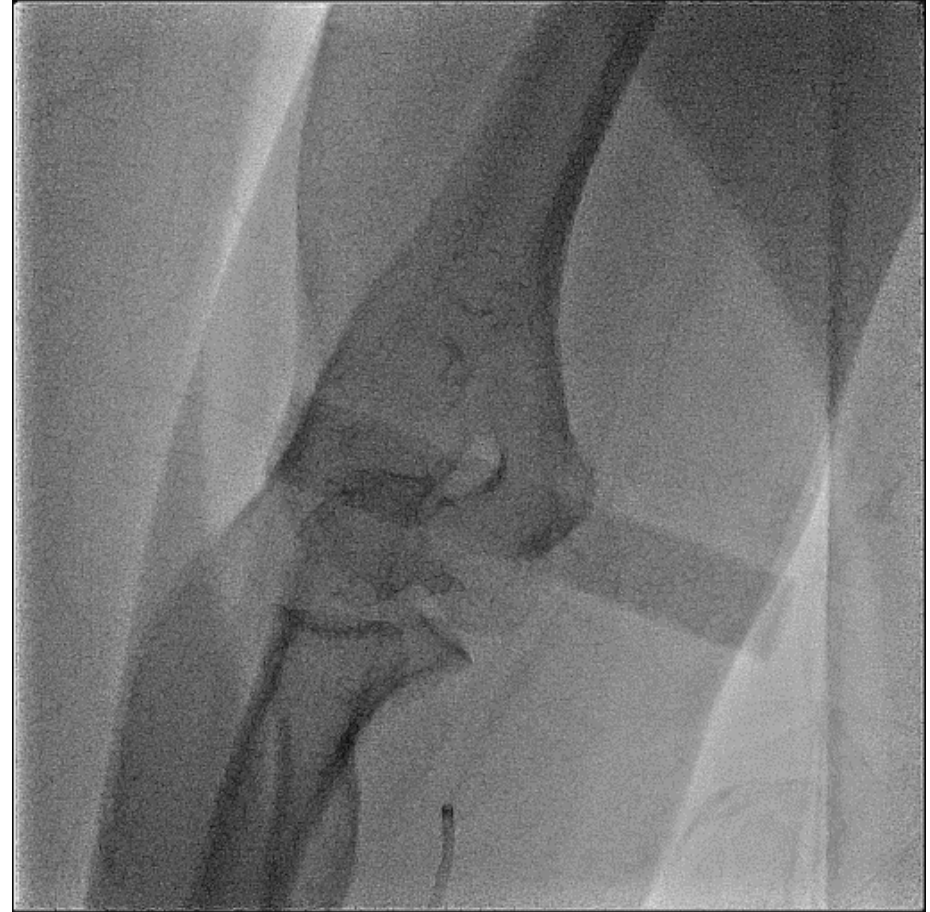
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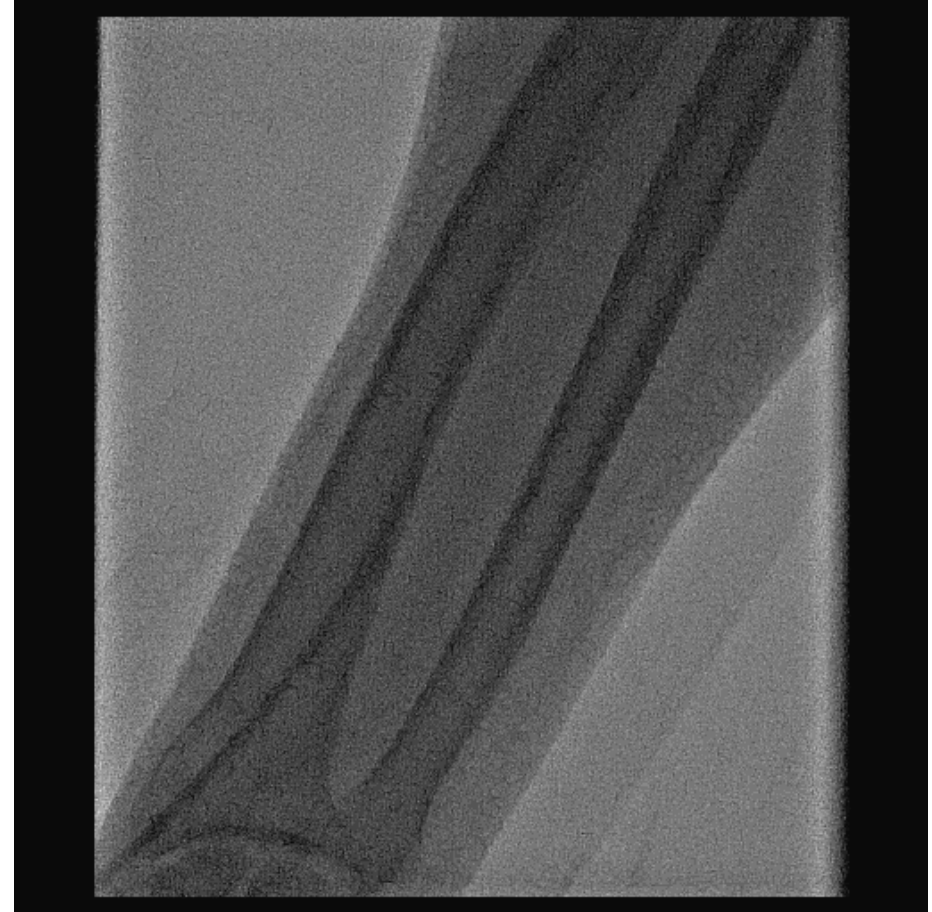
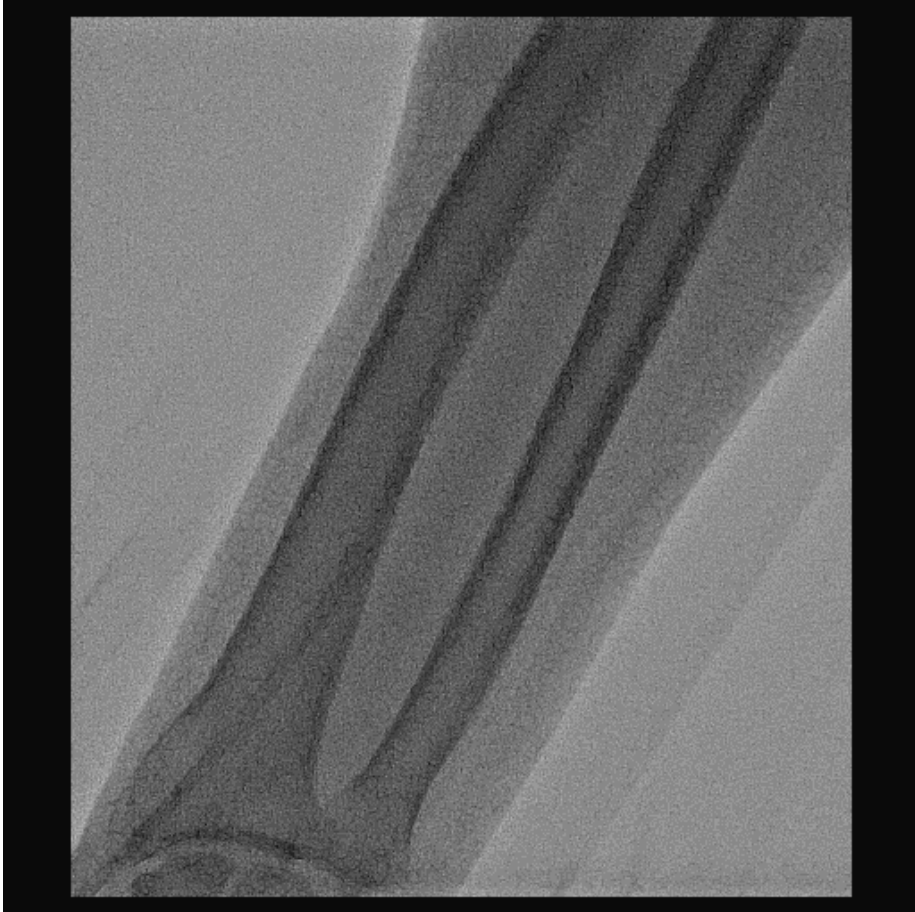
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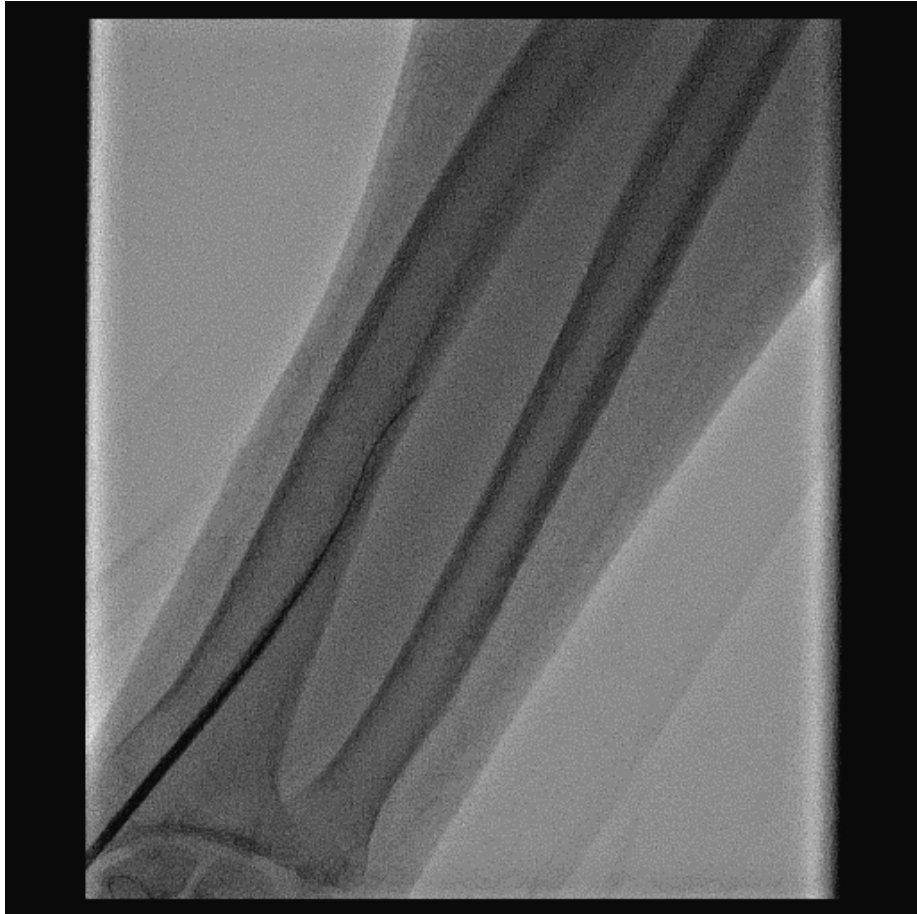
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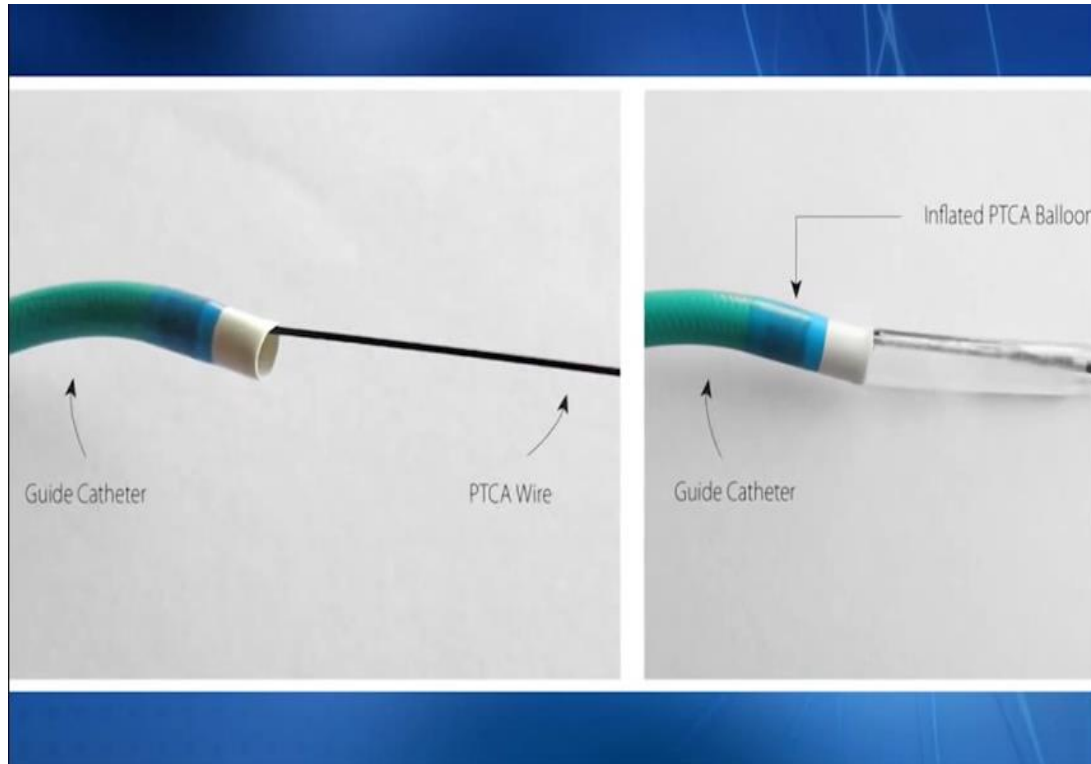
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Balloon Assisted Tracking



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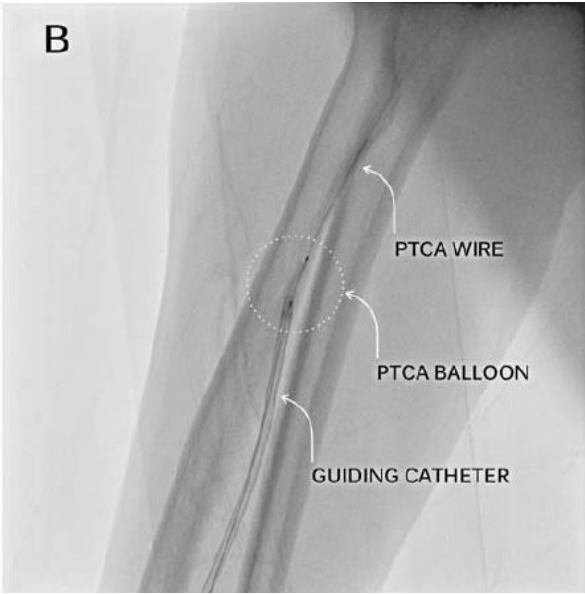
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Balloon-Assisted Tracking: A Must-Know Technique to Overcome Difficult Anatomy During Transradial Approach

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TABLE II. Break-Up of Difficult Vascular Anatomy During TRA

(1)	Small radial artery (RA diameter less than 1.5 mm)	25
(2)	Significant RA tortuosity	22
(3)	Complex RA loops	4
(4)	Severe and resistant RA spasm	6
(5)	Subclavian tortuosity and/or stenosis	6
Total		63



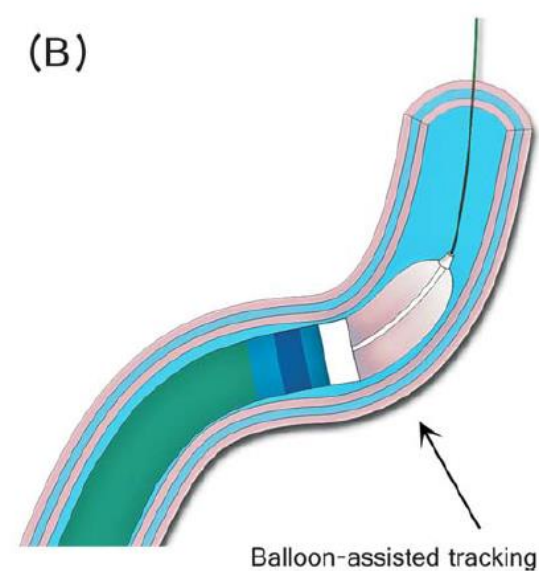
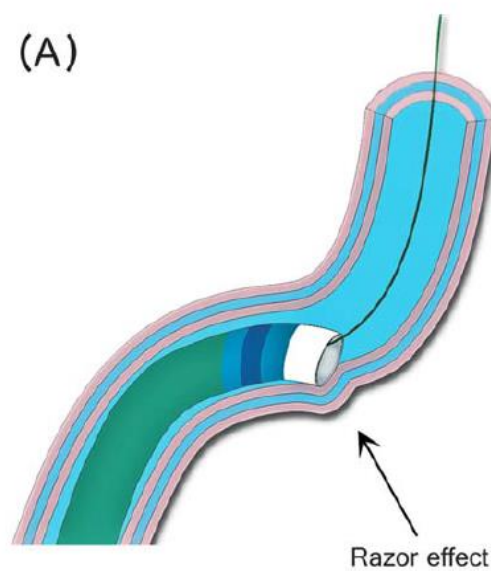
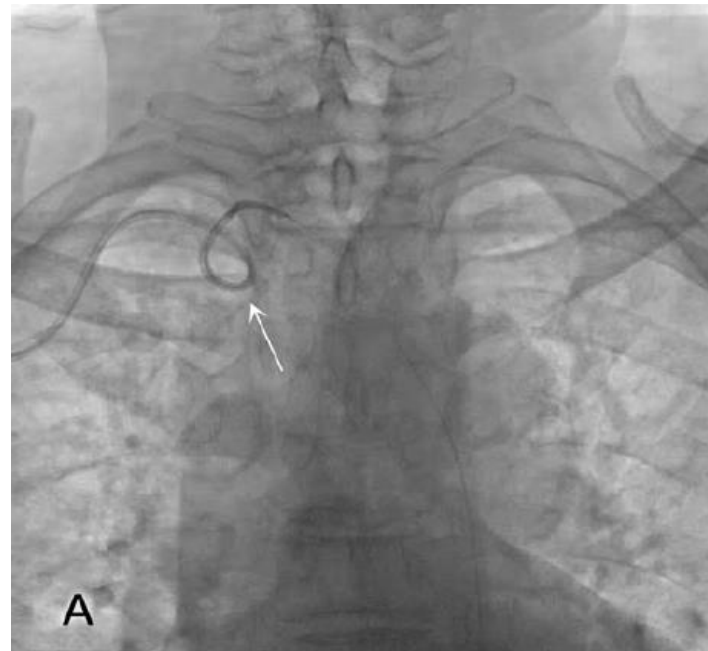
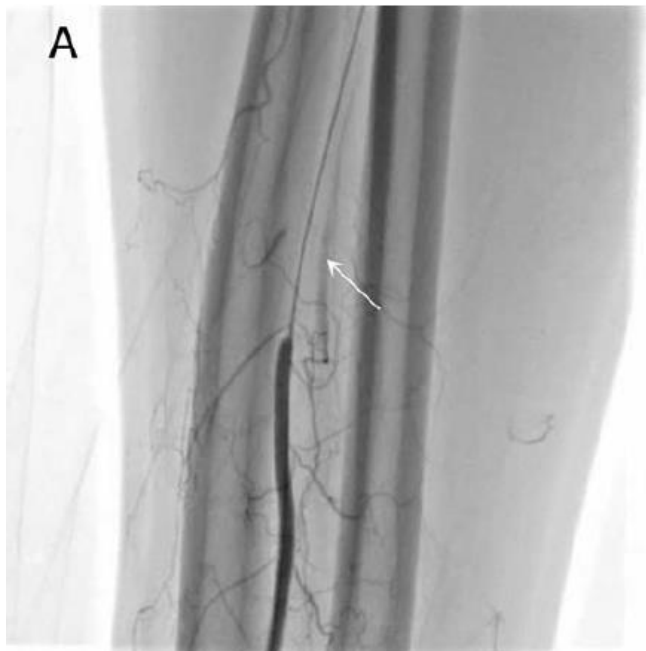
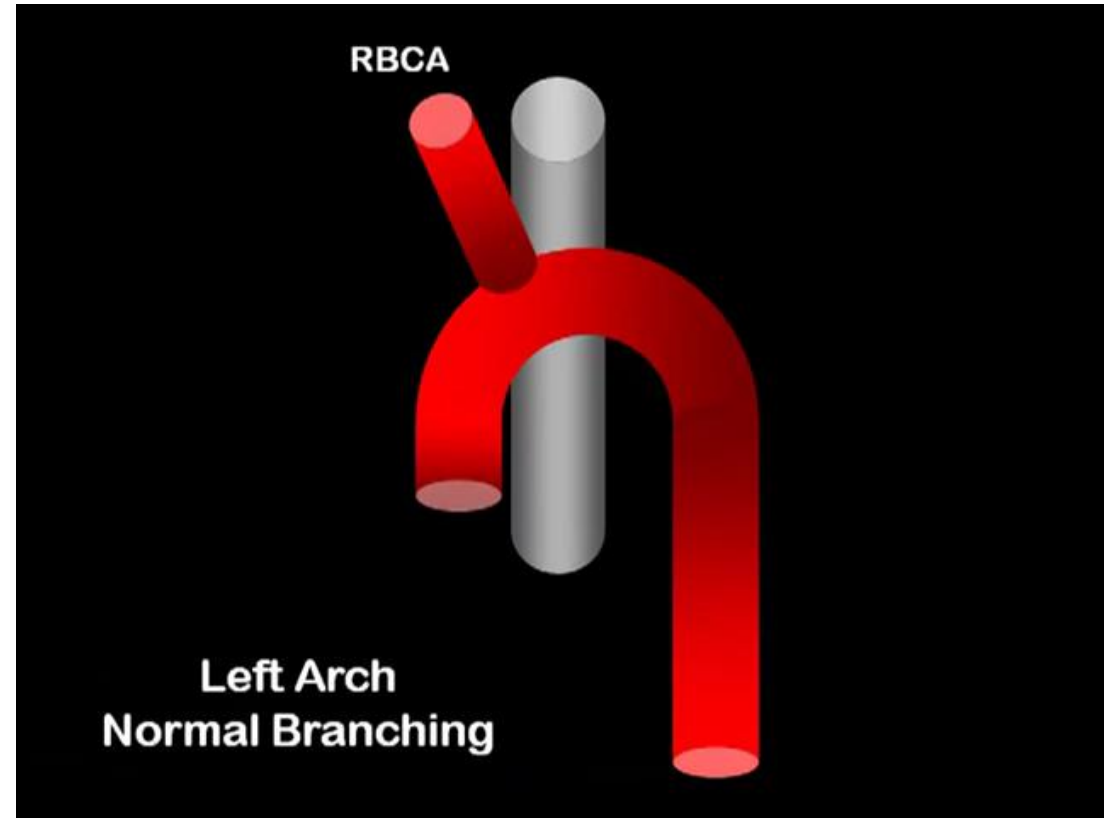
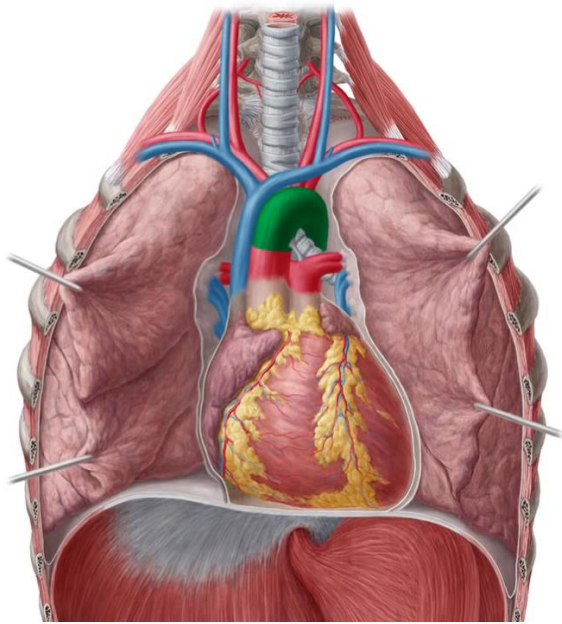


Fig. 7. Schematic representation of “razor effect” and balloon-assisted tracking. [Color figure can be viewed in the online issue, which is available at wileyonlinelibrary.com.]

Subclavian, innominate and aortic arch



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**Left Aortic Arch
With Anomalous RSCA**

**Right Aortic
Arches**

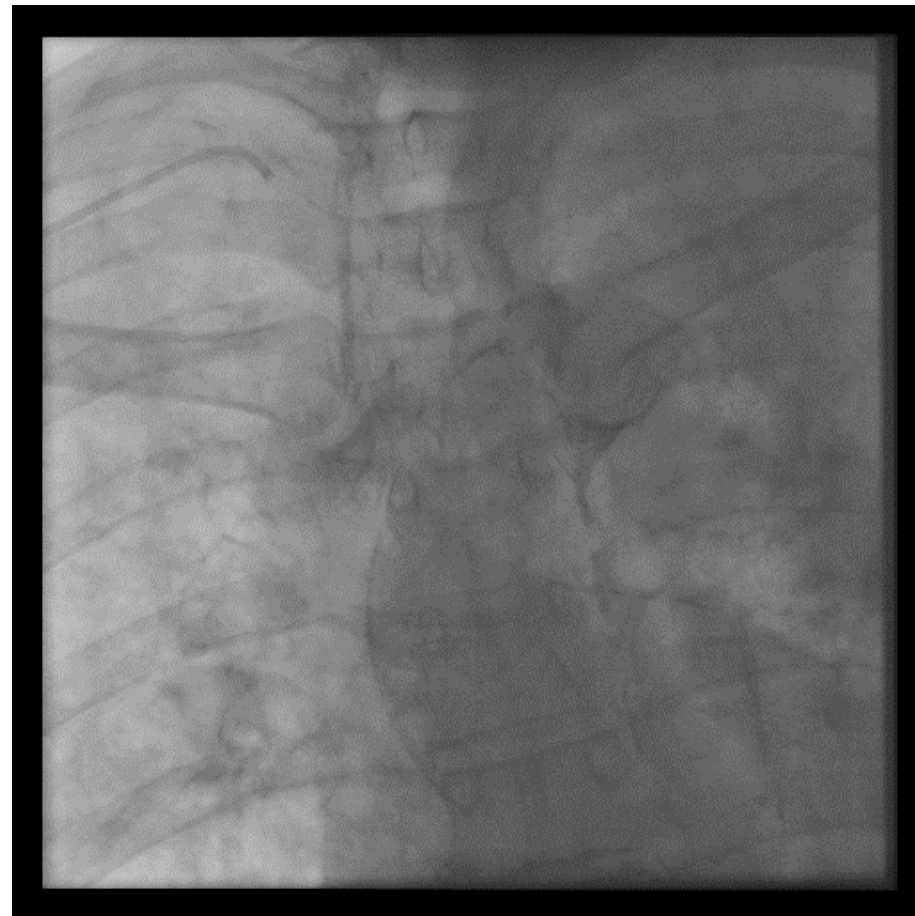
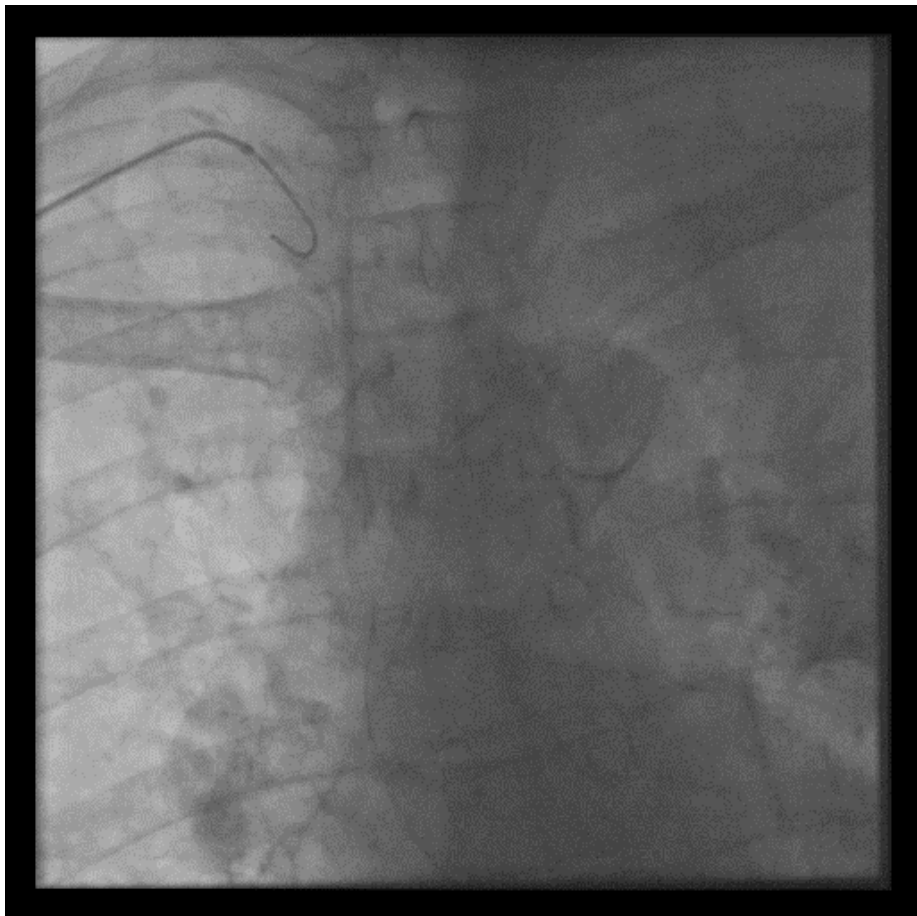
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**Right Arch with
Aberrant Left
Subclavian**



Double Aortic Arch

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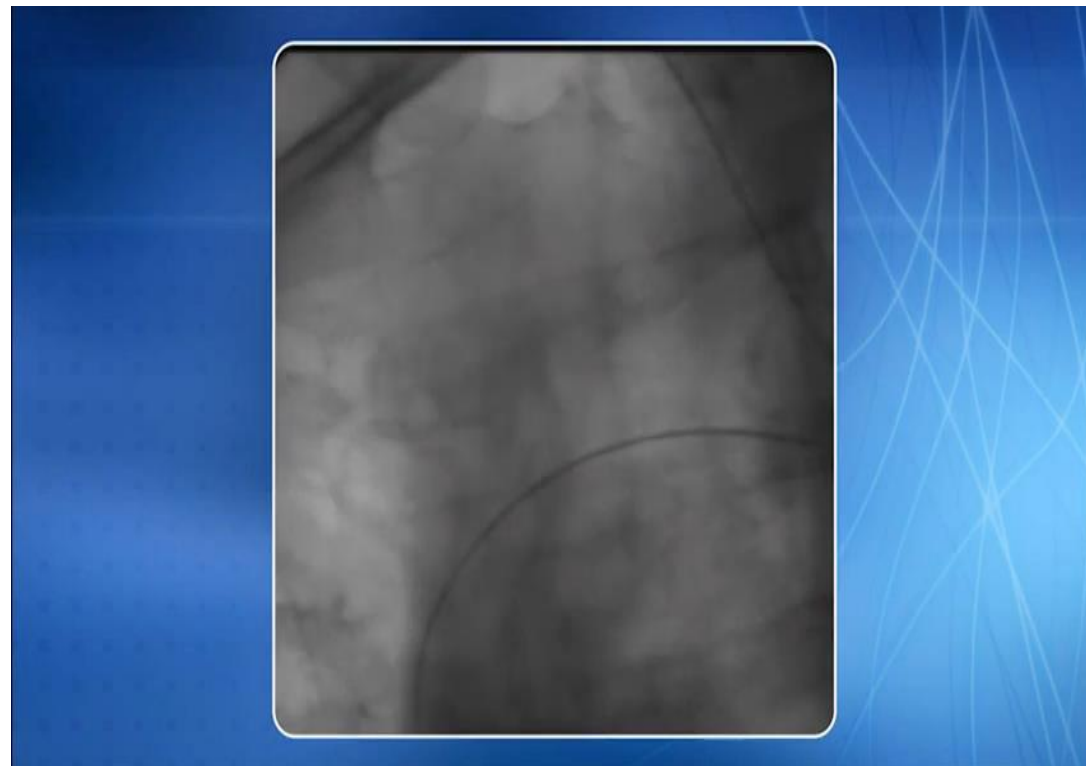
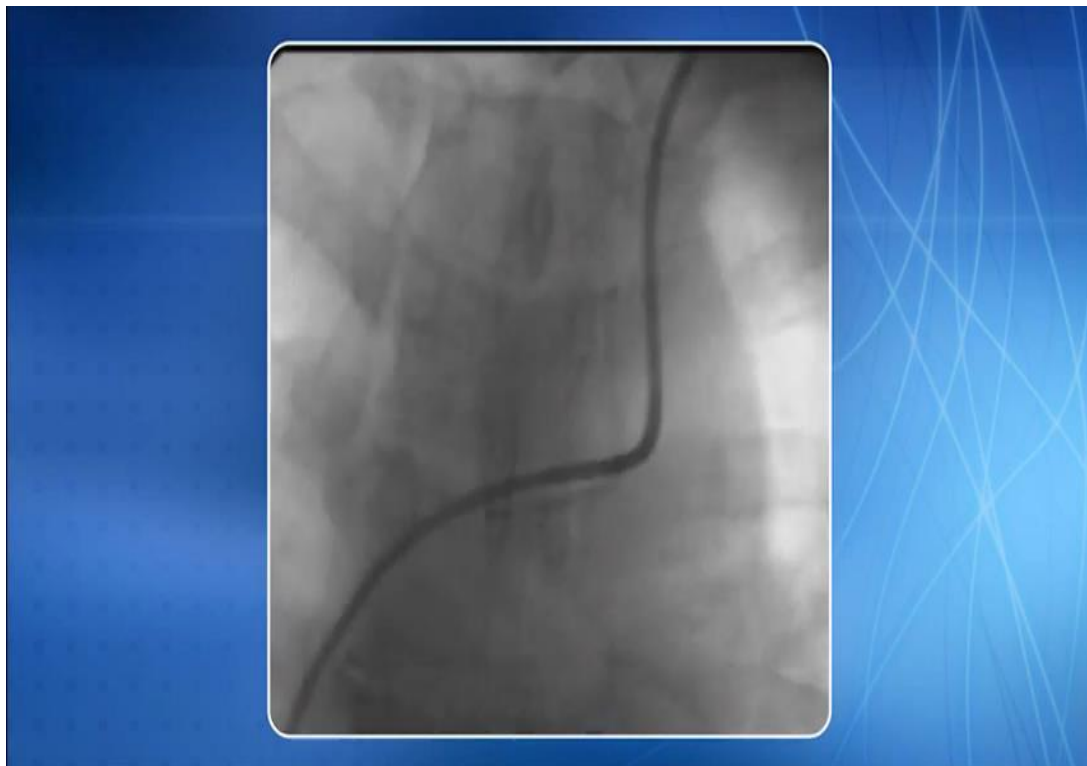
- Age
- Anatomical variations



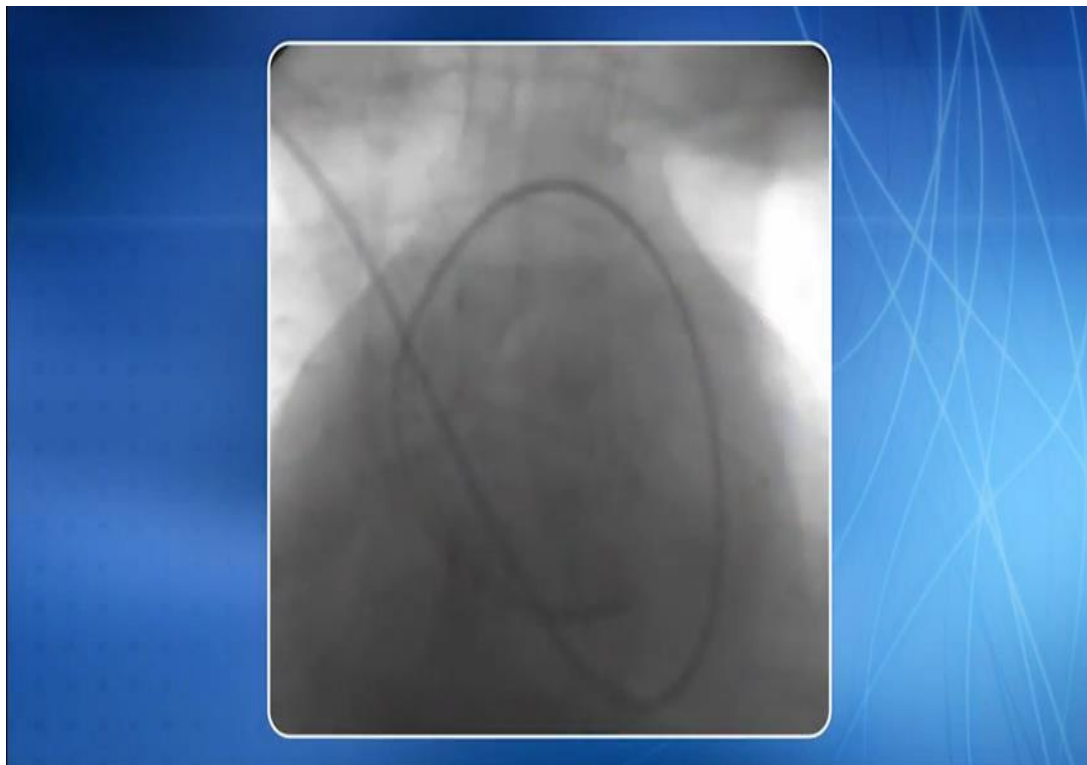
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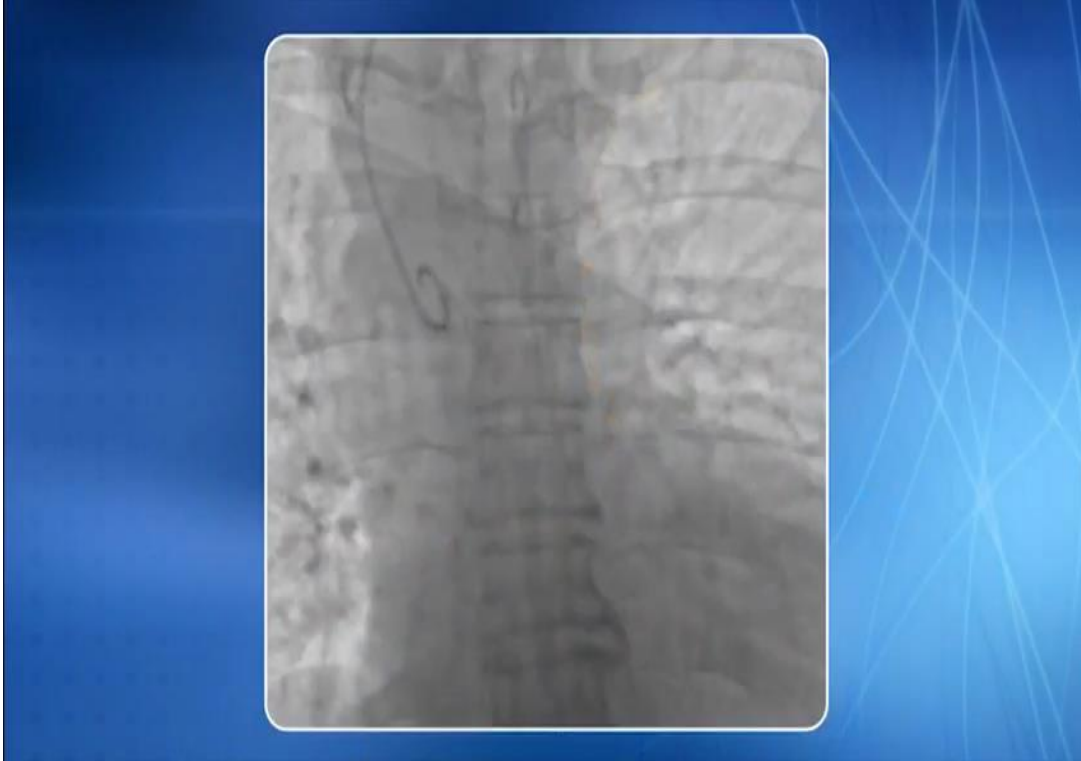
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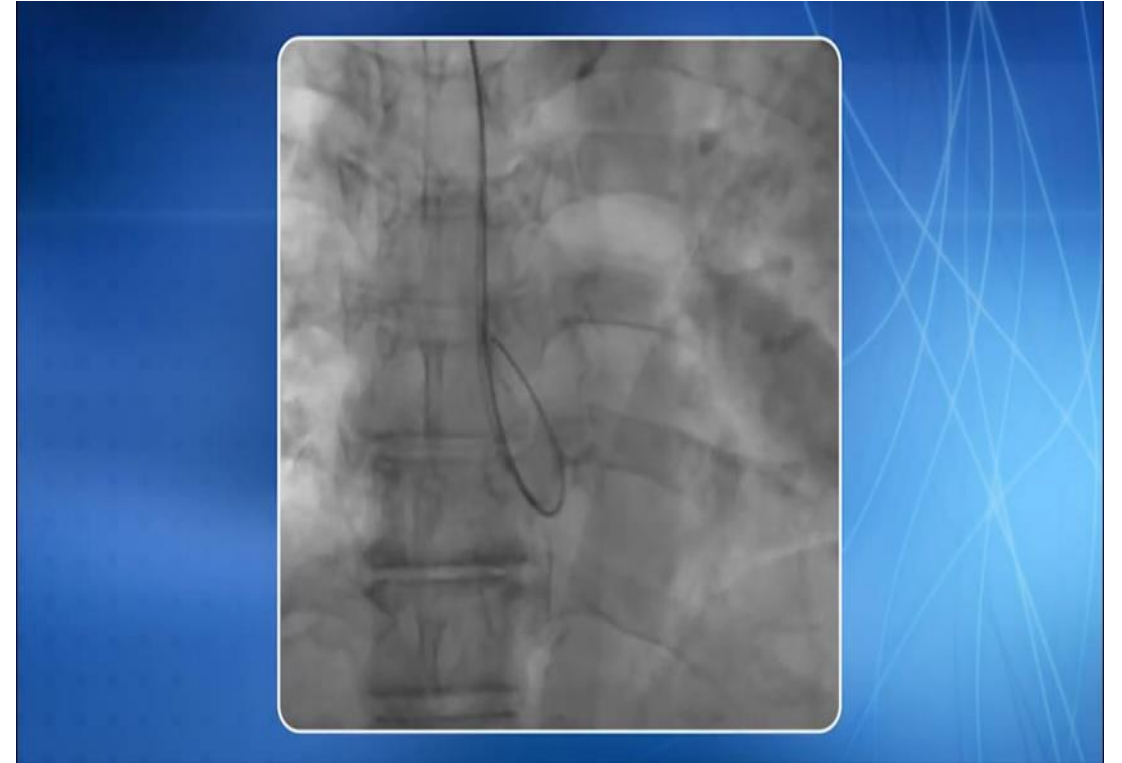
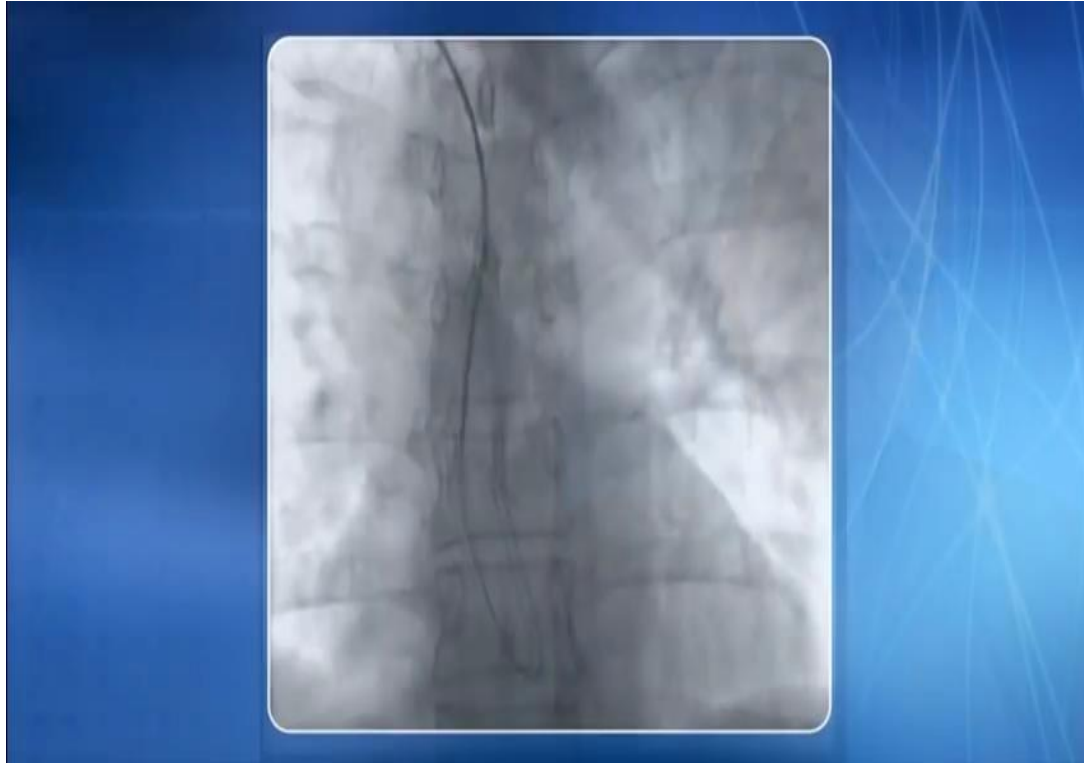


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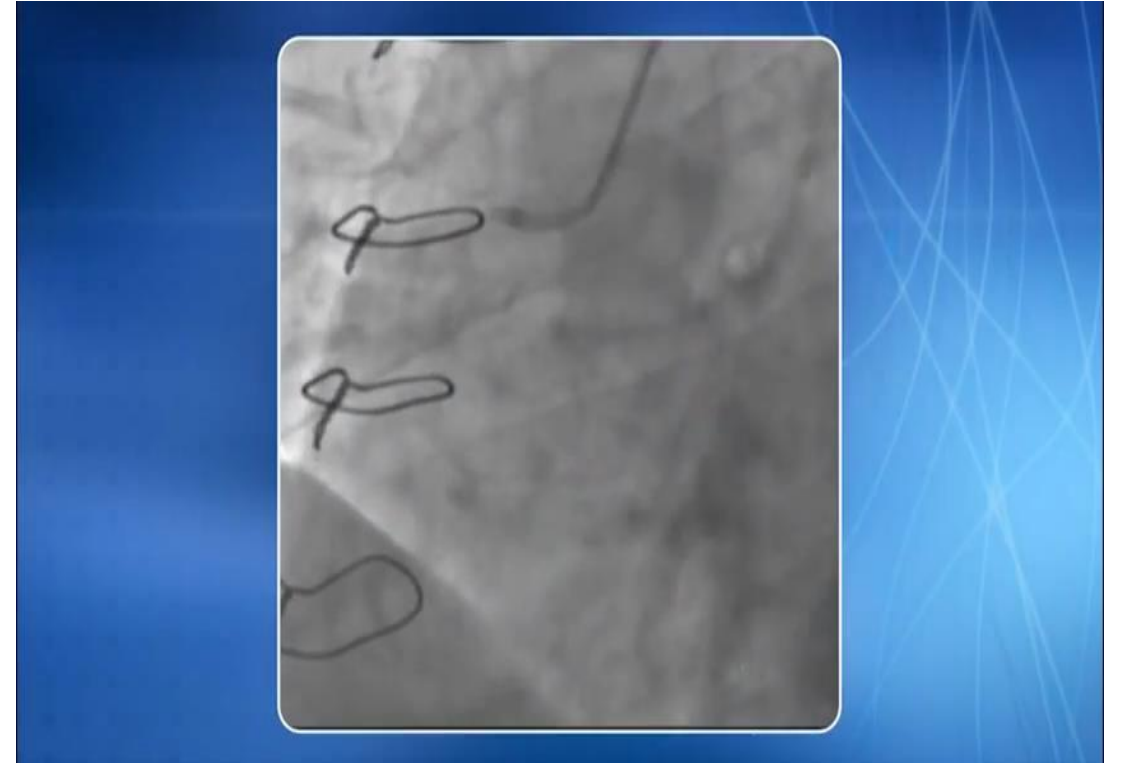
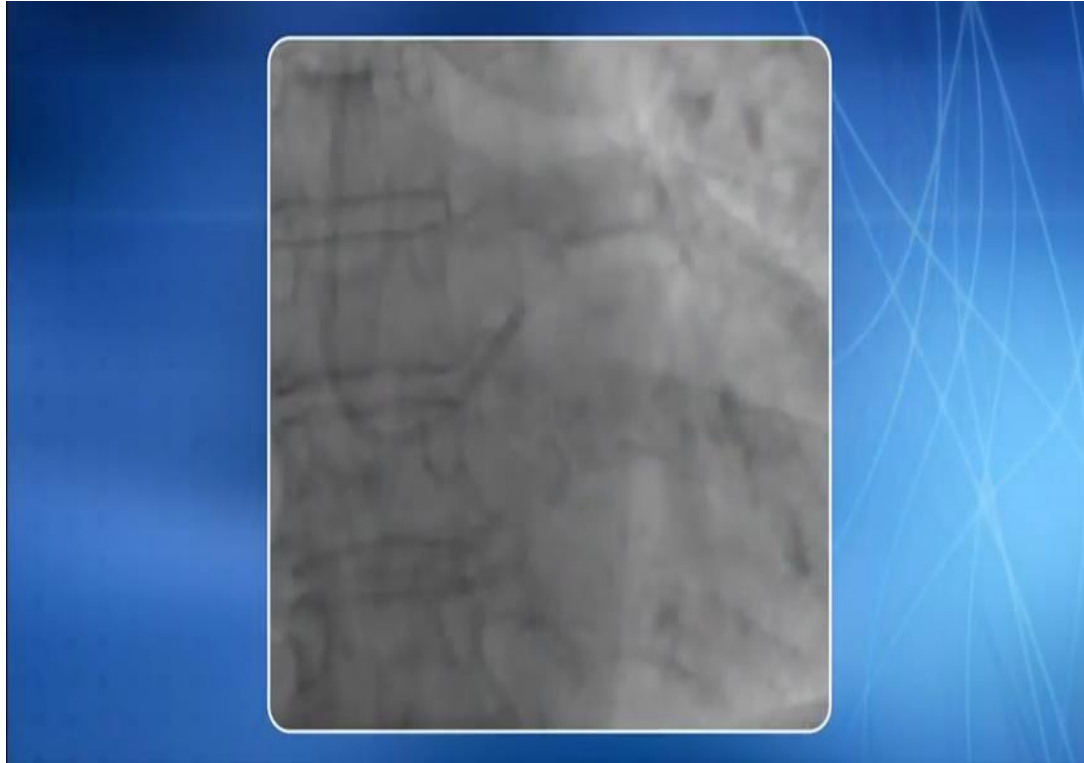


- Loops
- Anatomical variations
- Congenital anomalies

Cannulation of coronary ostia



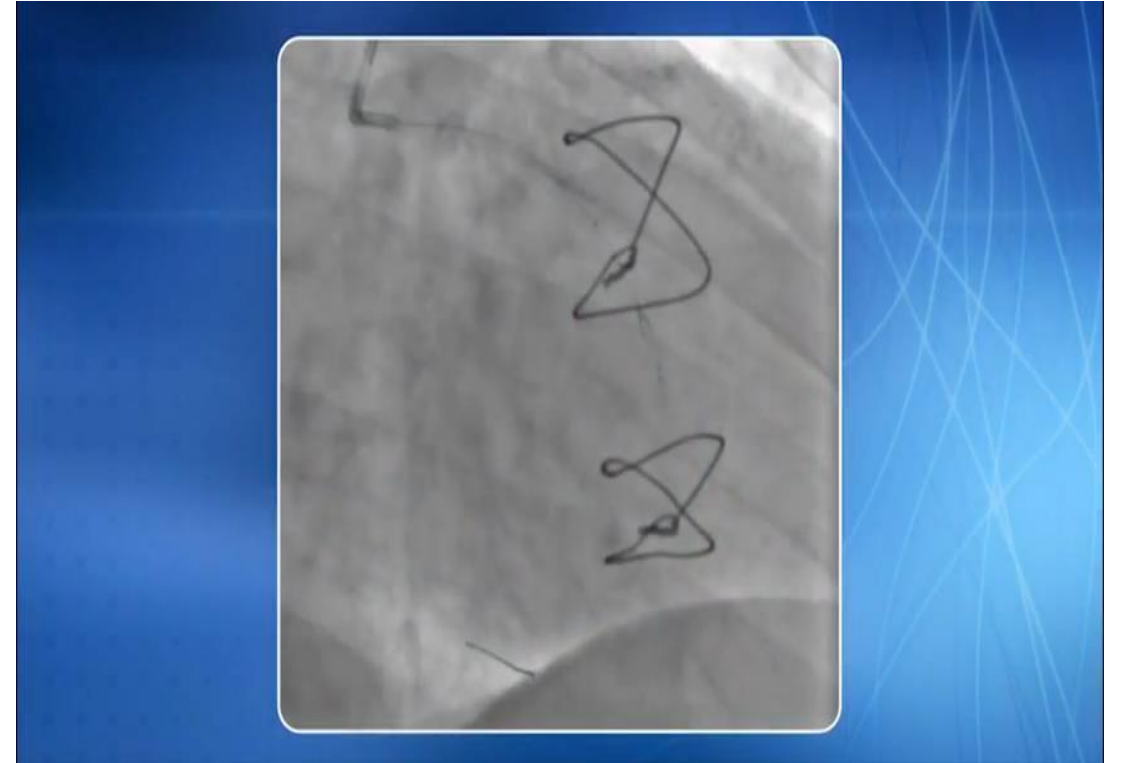
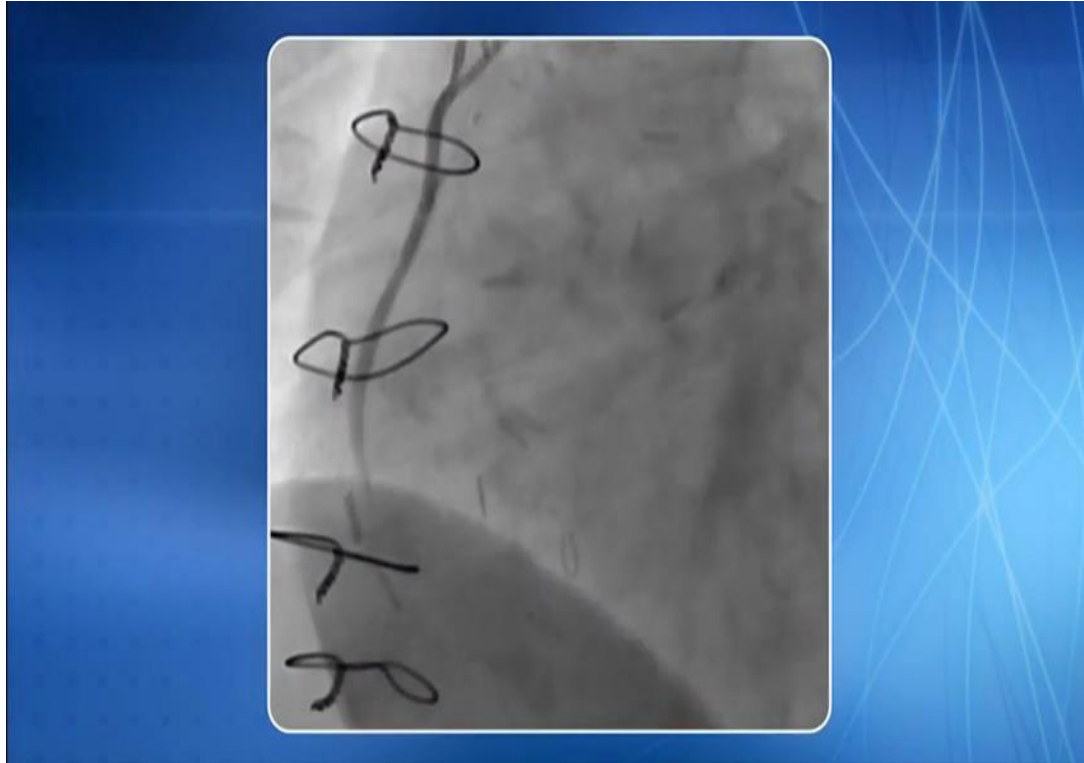
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Bypass grafts



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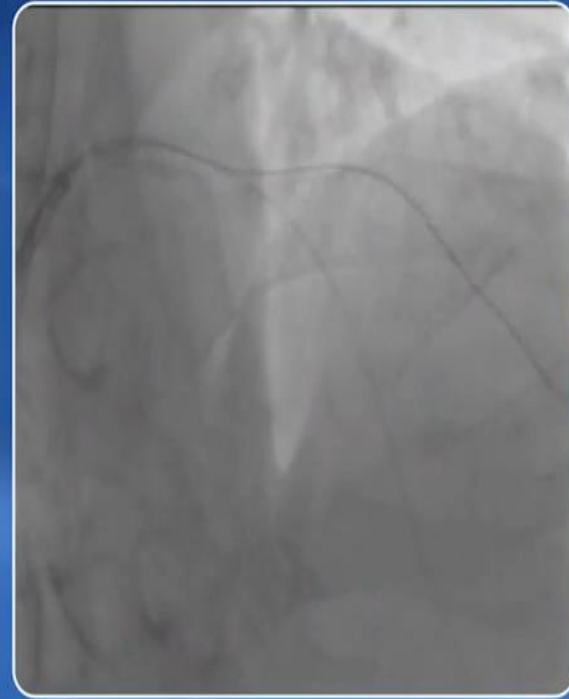
- Know your catheters
- Tips and tricks

Bifurcations

- Do you need more than 6F
- Do you have sheathless guides



Bifurcations



Bifurcations



Left main

- 7F guide
- Peripheral angio of radial
- Balloon assisted tracking is radial small

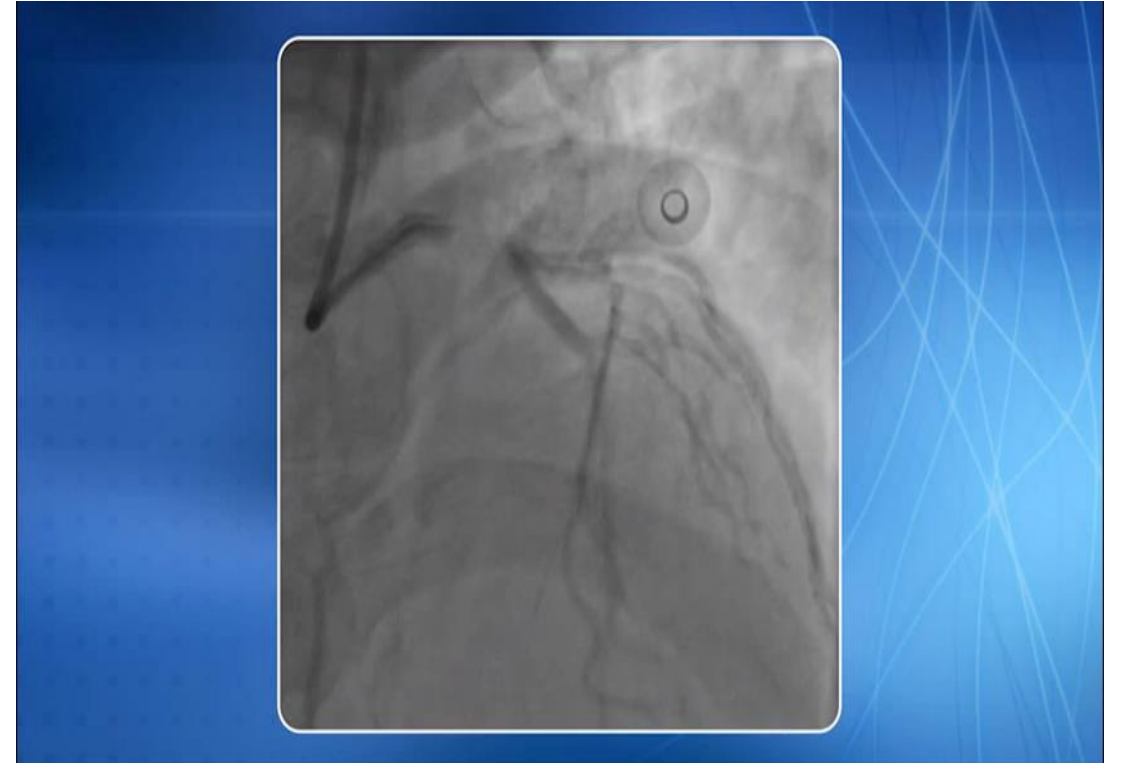


Acute myocardial infarctions

- PPCI via radial only once 100 elective PCI with RADIAL FIRST approach (crossover rate <4%)
- Left radial for PPCI if prior CABG with LIMA; or older than 75; or smaller than 165cm
- Bailout contralateral radial access or femoral access if radial access not obtained within 3 min; or if time to engage infarct artery >10 min; or >20 min to dilation of culprit lesion
- Femoral sites should be routinely prepared



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Left main



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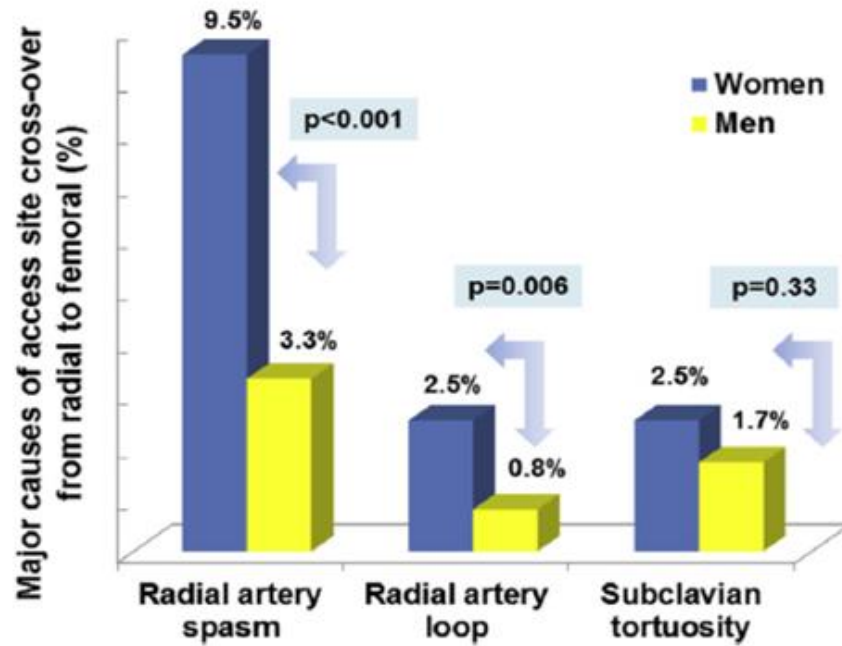


CTO's

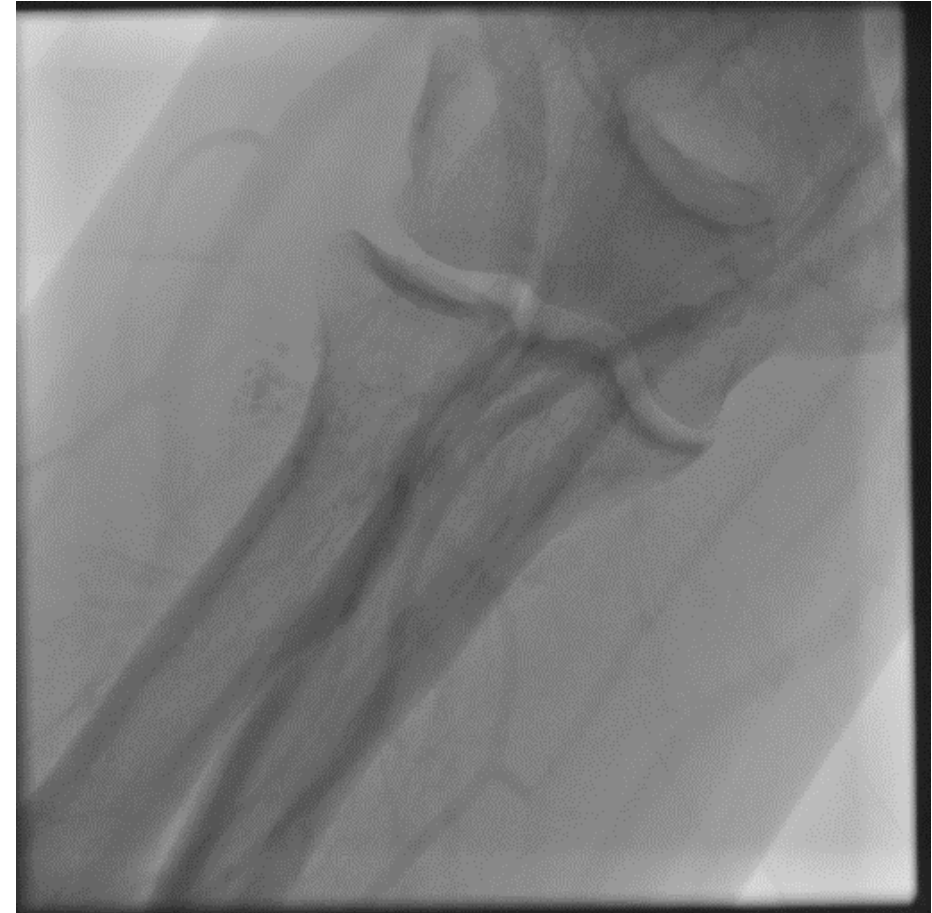


Crossover

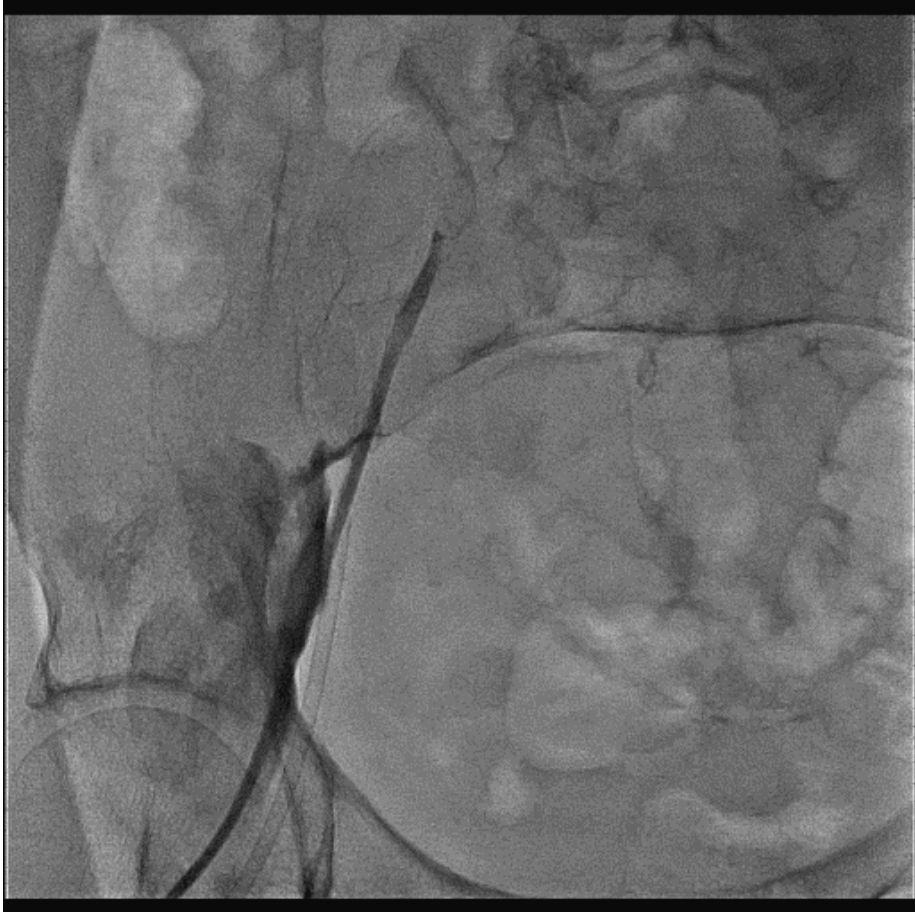
FIGURE 2 Major Reasons for Access Site Crossover From Radial to Femoral in Women and Men



There was a significant difference in the rates of crossover due to radial artery spasm (9.5% vs. 3.3%; $p < 0.001$) and radial artery loops (2.5% vs. 0.8%; $p = 0.006$) in women versus men.



Crossover



Patent haemostasis



Complications



Questions