

CHIMPS AND REGULAR ARE STILL A VALUABLE OPTION FOR ARCH REPAIR

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DO THEY WORK?

Born as a rescue

..unintended coverage of aortic arch branch

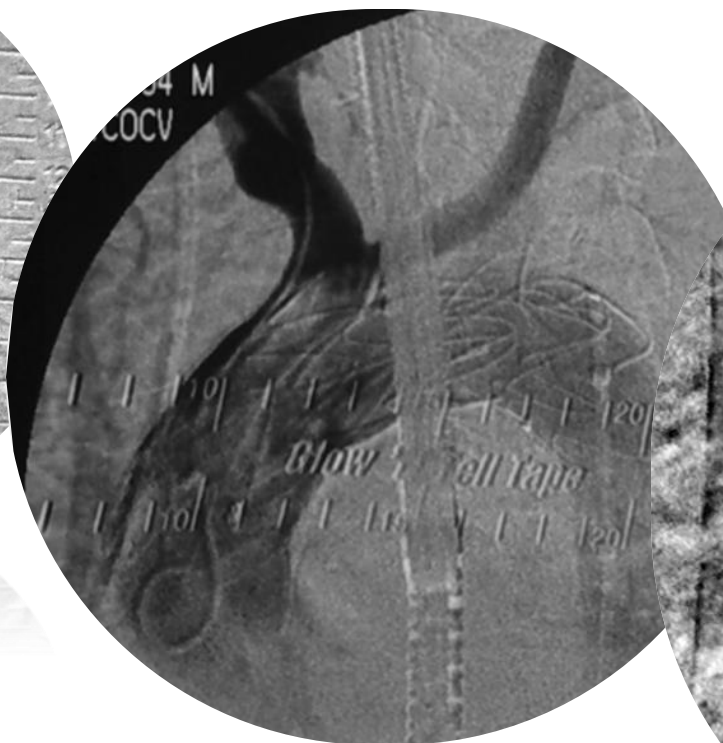
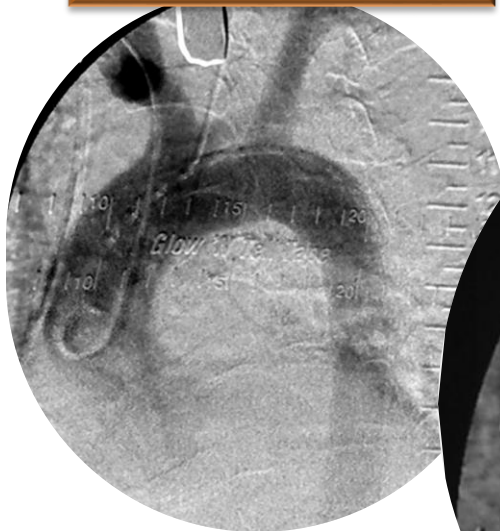
OUR EXPERIENCE

1. 06/2002 overstenting of the LCCA
2. 12/2002 overstenting of the IA

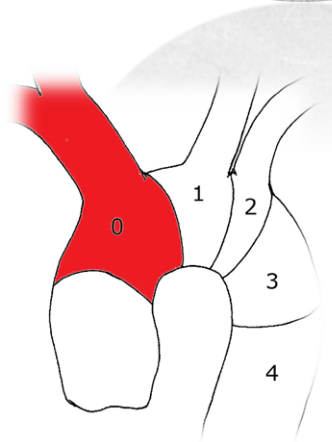


OVERTSENTING INNOMINATE ARTERY

IA coverage

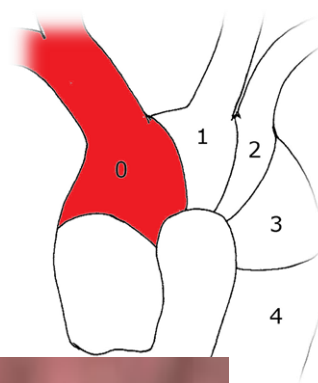


TRANS-BRACHIAL
WALLSTENT 11-70

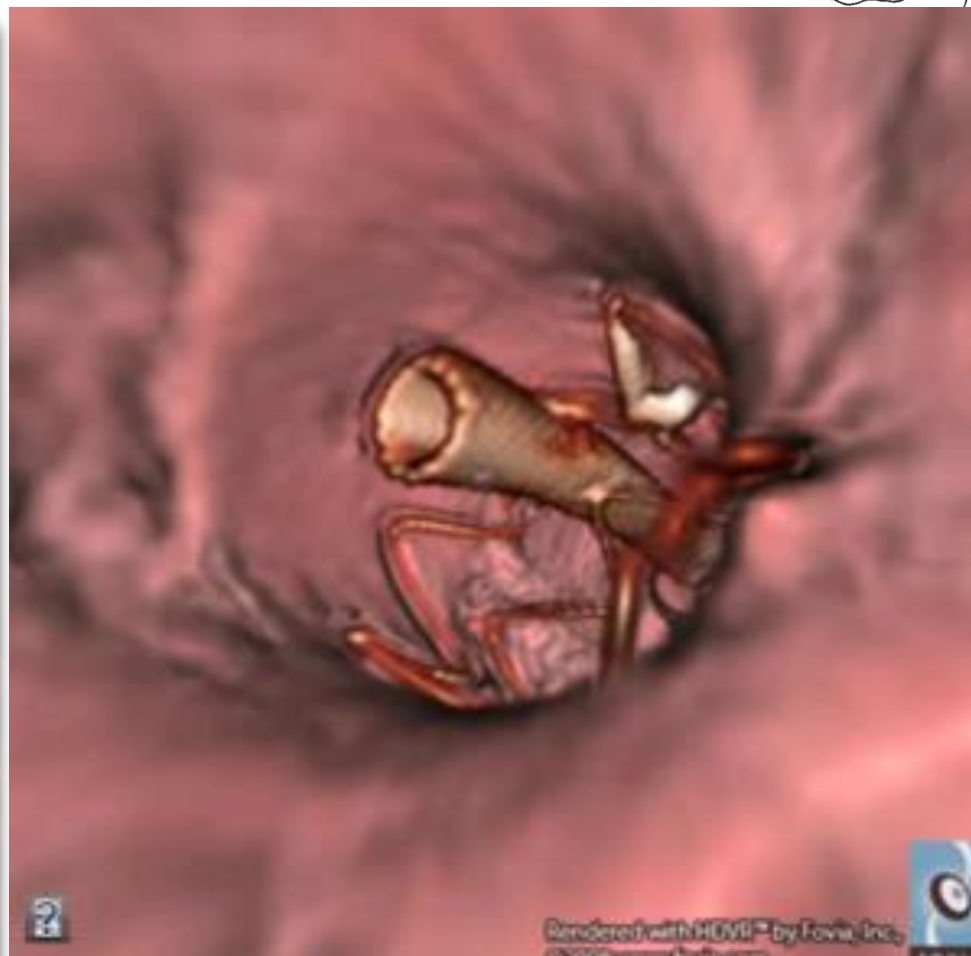




DEATH AT 12 YRS



AORTIC ARCH CHIMNEY: IA



DO THEY WORK?

Chimney Technique for Aortic Arch Pathologies: An 11-Year Single-Center Experience

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• TECHNICAL SUCCESS	36/36	100%
• MORTALITY	3	8.3%
• PROCEDURE REL COMPLICATIONS	4	11.1%
MINOR STROKE (2 RUPT-1 ELECT)	3	
PARAPARESIS	1	
EARLY TYPE I EL	0	

DO THEY WORK?

Chimney Grafts in Aortic Stent Grafting: Hazardous or Useful Technique? Systematic Review of Current Data

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364 ARCH CHIMNEY

MORTALITY	4%
EARLY TYPE I EL	11%
(15 OBSERVED: 7 SELF SEALED – 17 TREATED: 14 EV+ 3 CONVERSION)	
PROCEDURE REL COMPLICATIONS	8%
CH-G PATENCY (17 MTHS)	97-99%
LATE TYPE I EL (>30 DAYS)	4%

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EARLY
(15 OBSERVATION)

CH-GRAFTING
LATE



4%
11%
VERSION)

7-99%
4%

“TECHNICAL RULES”

- GRAFT CHOICE (MAIN/PARALLEL)
- VESS TAKE-OFF →
CHIMNEY/PERISCOPES/SANDWICH
- AVOID GUTTERS
 - OVERSIZING
 - CHIMNEY LENGHT OVERLAPPING
- CHIMNEY PATENCY
 - CONFORME/REINFORCE
- SAFE LANDING ZONE (ANGLES/AORTIC WALL)
- FOLLOW UP

MAIN GRAFT CHOICE

THOR/ S-G radial force

				
Proximal sealing zone	100	30	40	38
Distal sealing zone	42	30	43	15
Body spring	41	31	9	23

CONFORMABILITY & MATERIAL FATIGUE



28

(9 TAG +18 c-TAG)



3



4



1

SURGICAL DEBRANCHING

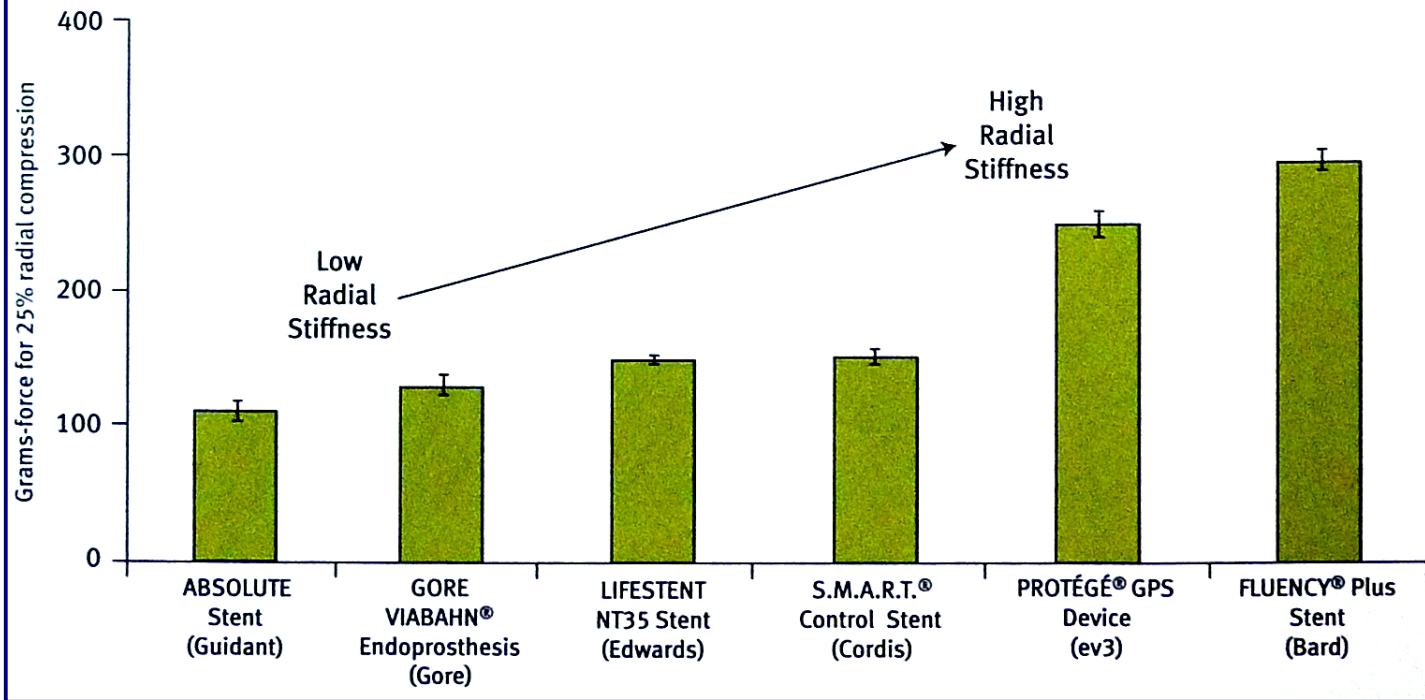
18 50%

- RCCA-LCCA-LSA 6
- RCCA-LCCA 2
- LCCA-LSA 10

PARALLEL GRAFT CHOICE

flexibility $\approx$ radial force

FIGURE 8. Force (grams-force) required to compress stent radially by 25%.



LENGTH/DIAMETER & MATERIAL FATIGUE

REINFORCE THE PARALLEL GRAFT!! ESPECIALLY IF LONG

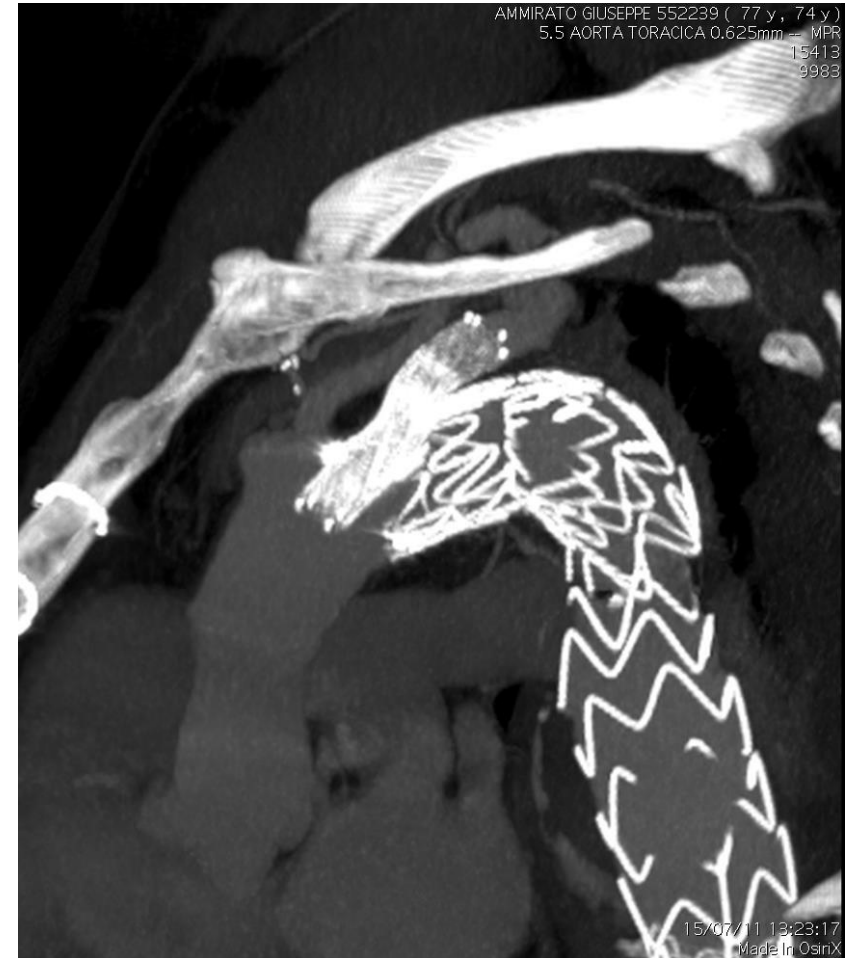
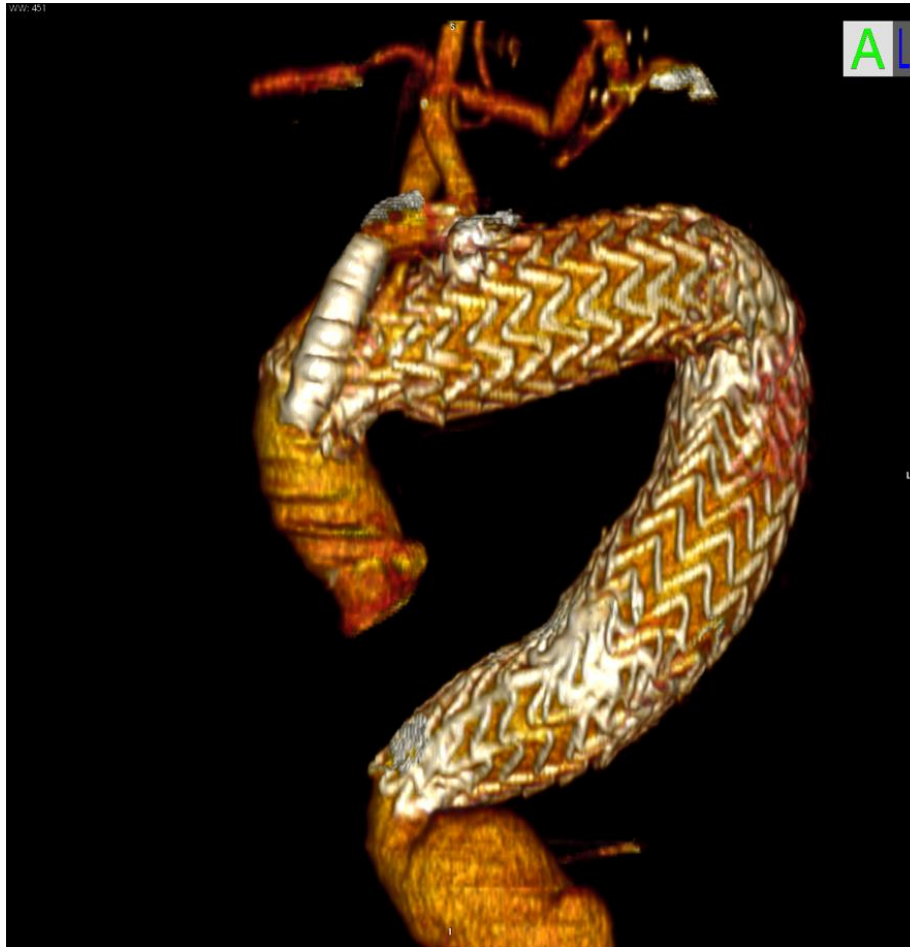


A fluoroscopic image showing a catheter-based procedure in the abdominal aorta. A green wire is visible, likely a guidewire, and a stent is being deployed. The image is framed by a black border. A green vertical line is on the left side of the image, and a green horizontal line is at the bottom. The text 'LCCA STENTING' and 'VIABAHN 9-15 PROTEGE 8-120' is overlaid on the bottom left of the image.

LCCA STENTING
VIABAHN 9-15 PROTEGE 8-120

Zoom: 136% Angle: 0
m: 191/384

REINFORCE THE PARALLEL GRAFT!! WHEN IS THE ONLY FEEDING VESSEL





CHIMNEY GRAFT

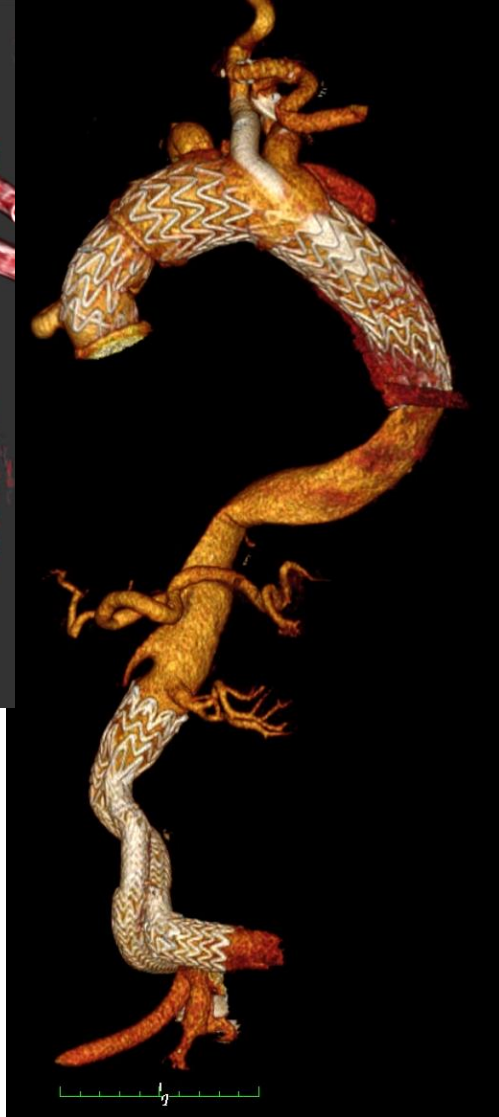
(OUR EXPERIENCE)

– VIABAHN	28 (15 REINF)
– GORE LEG	3 (1 REINF)
– ADVANTA	1 (REINF)
– WALLSTENT	2
– BIOTRONIK	2
– PROTEGE'	4
– VISI-PRO	1

CHIMNEY ORIENTATION



VESSELS
TAKE-OFF



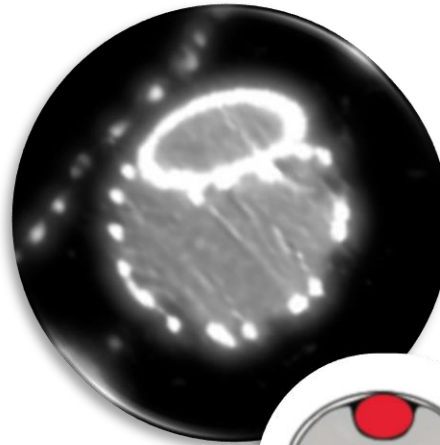
REDUCE INTERACTION
IN THE ASCENDING

GUTTERS

LATE TYPE I EL



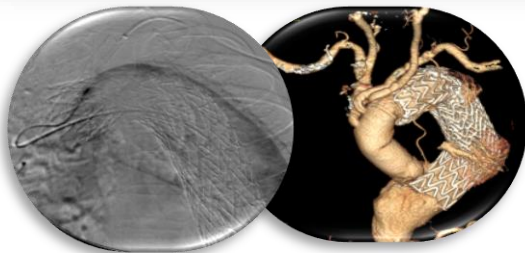
“GUTTERS”



minor



major



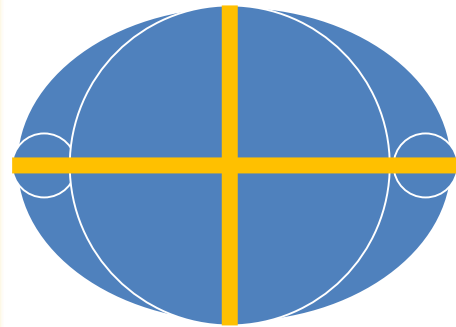
Aortic graft Oversizing options

1. 20%
2. 30%
3. 30% for 2 vessels
40% for 3 vessels
4. $0,72 \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$

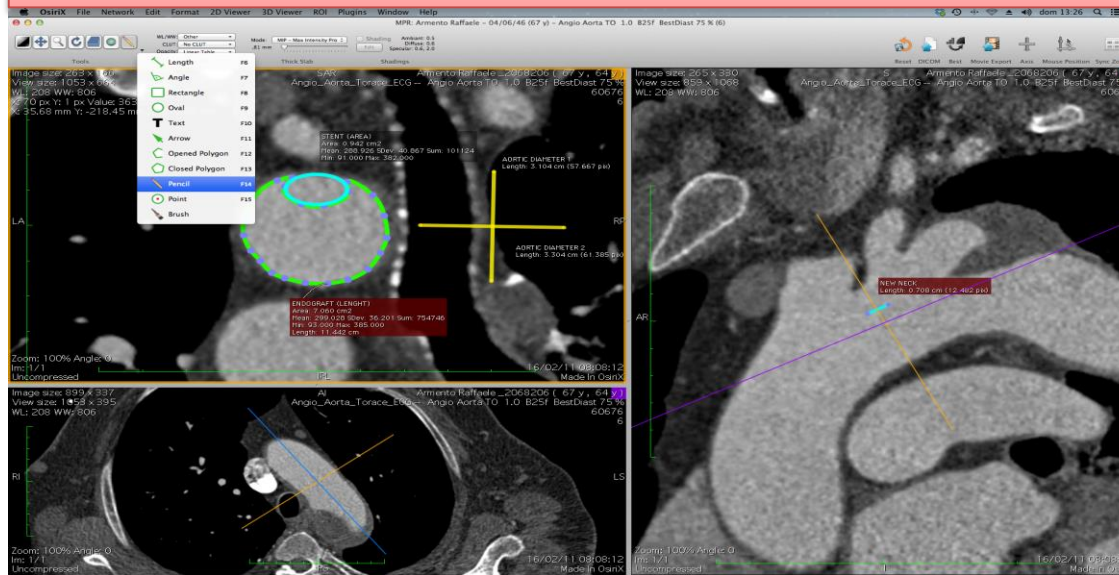
Aortic graft Oversizing options

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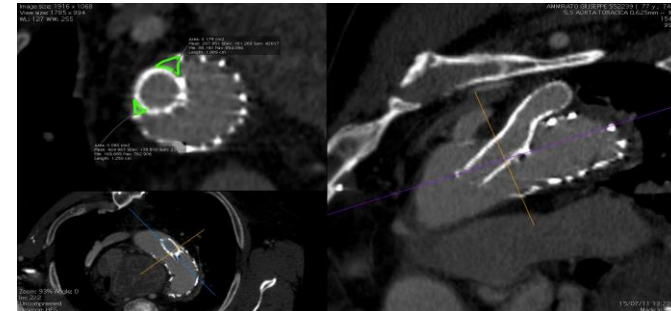
Oversizing 25-35%
for double chimney
Lower for larger diameter



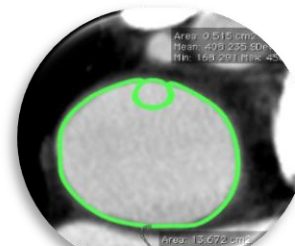
OSIRIX EVALUATION



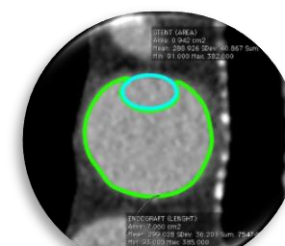
GUTTERS AREA



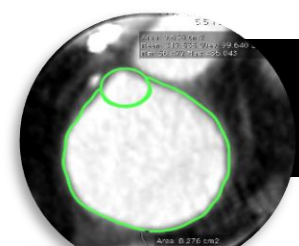
Oversizing & **OSIRIX**



A: STENT 8 mm



B: STENT 11 mm



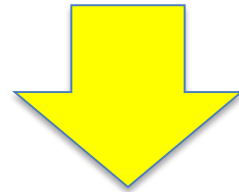
C: STENT 9 mm (ostio dei TSA)



GUTTERS

CHIMNEY OVERLAPPING → HOW LONG?

- Longer chimney → reduce EL (gutters)

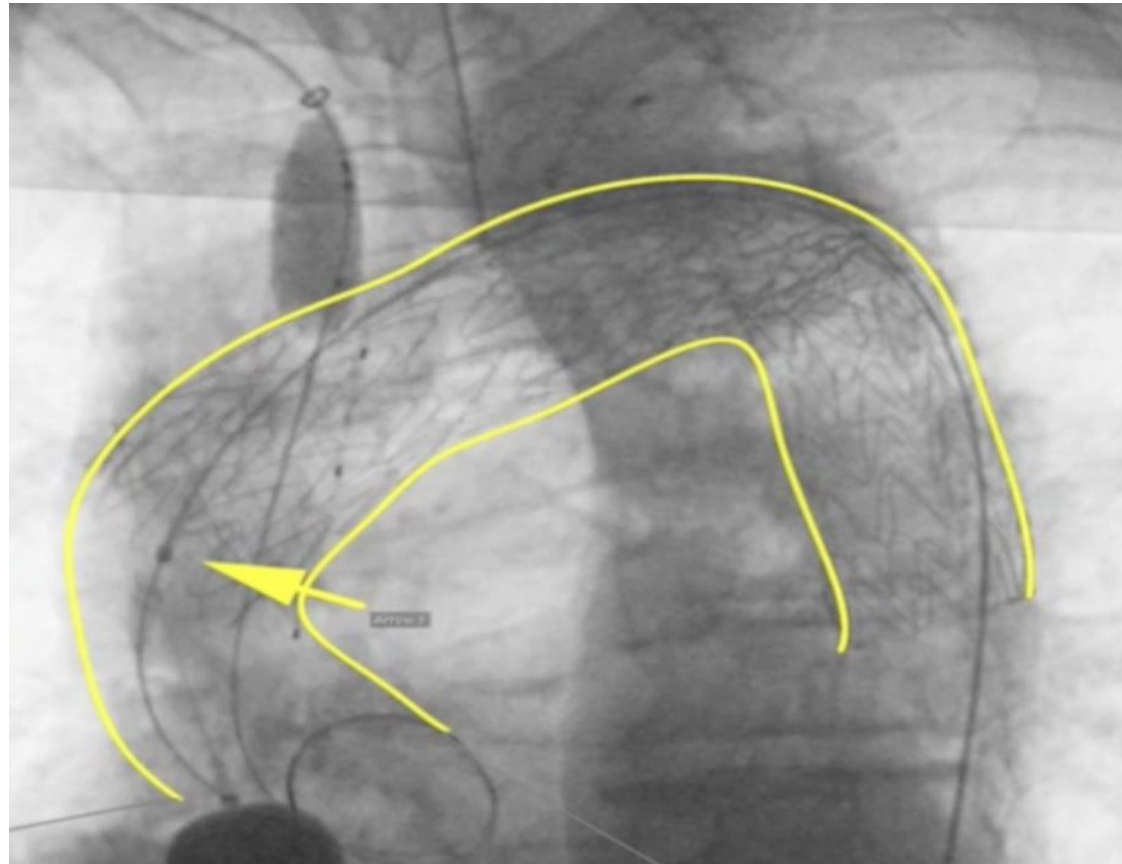
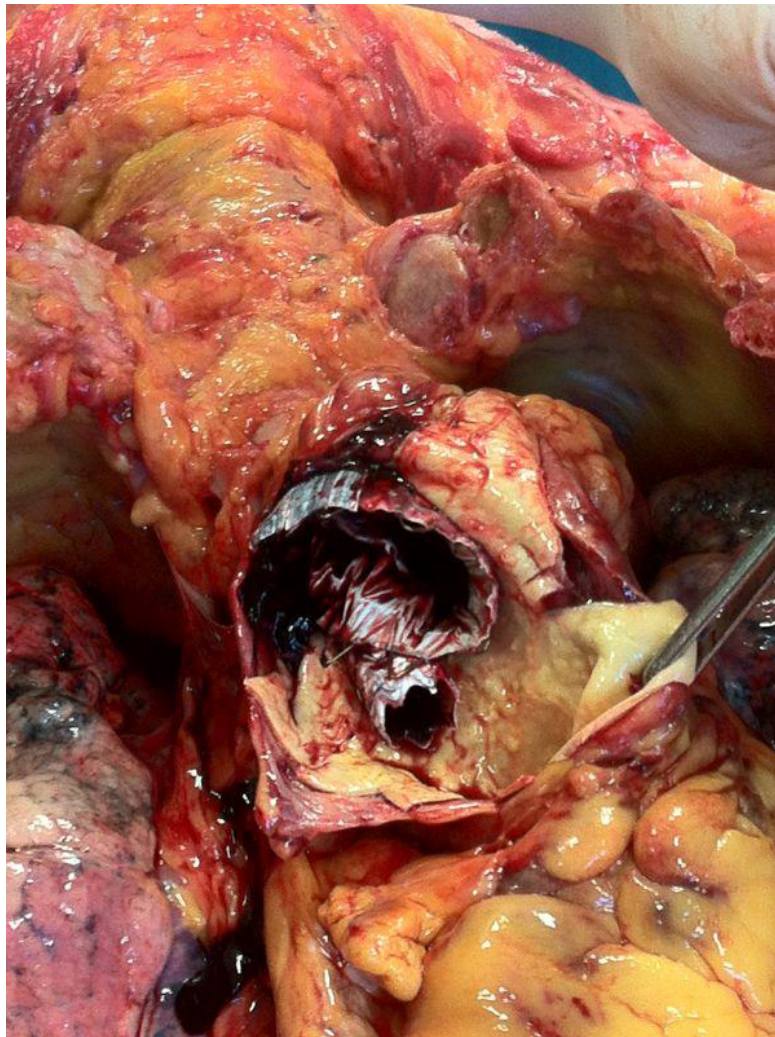


- Bad landing zone → curvature/graft LZ



RETROGRADE TYPE A

Day 4 sudden death



FOLLOW-UP

- TYPE I EL
- CHIMNEY GRAFT COMPLICATION



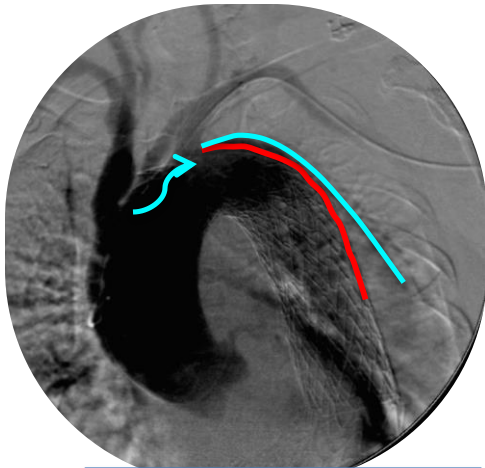
FOLLOW-UP

TYPE I ENDOLEAK 6 (18,2%)

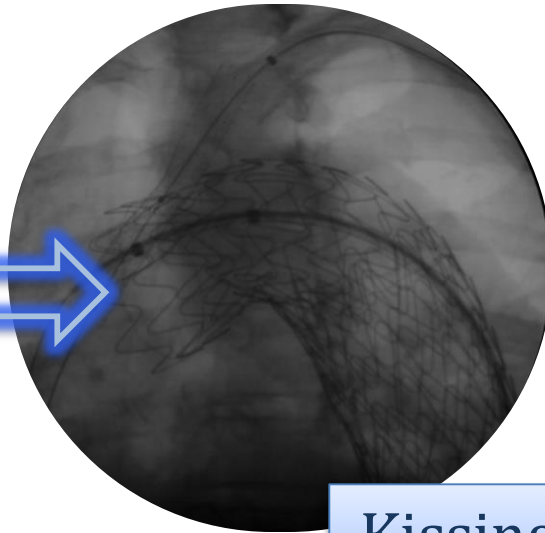
MEAN F-UP 39.6 MTHS (MIN 1-144)

- Ia 5
 - Sac enlargement 2 (IA 6 mths - LSA 10 mths)
(2 embolization + 1 ascending replacement)
 - w/out sac enlargement 3 (LCCA)(IA)(LCCA+LSA)
(91 yrs / lung K → death / COPD & tracheostomy)
- Ib 1 (47 mths)
(distal extension)

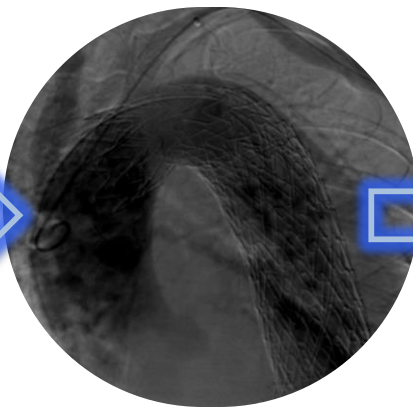
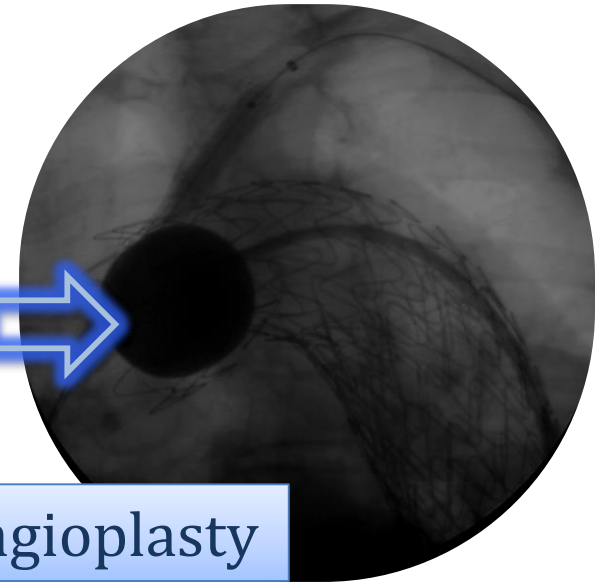
ENDOLEAK: GUTTERS EMB/



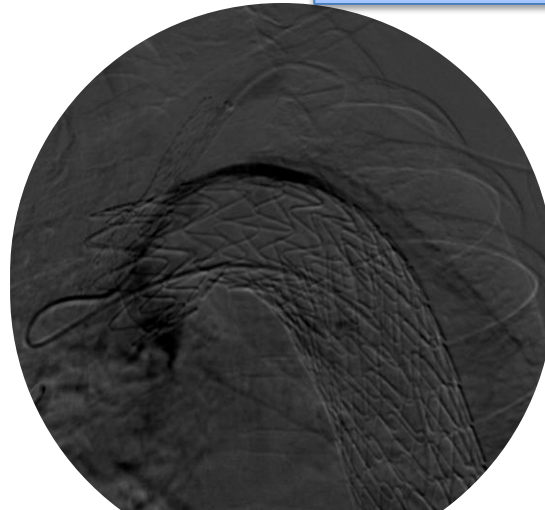
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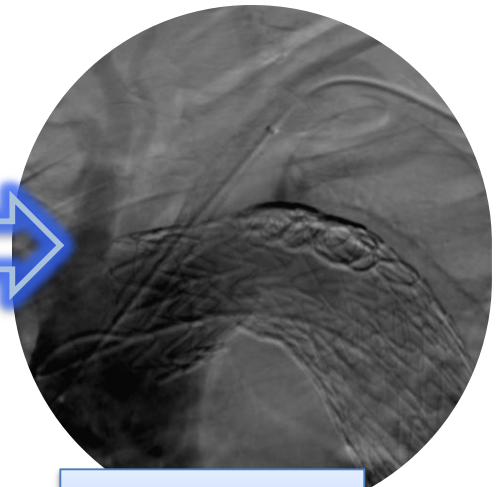
Kissing angioplasty



I Type EL



Gutter select cat



Coils

FOLLOW-UP

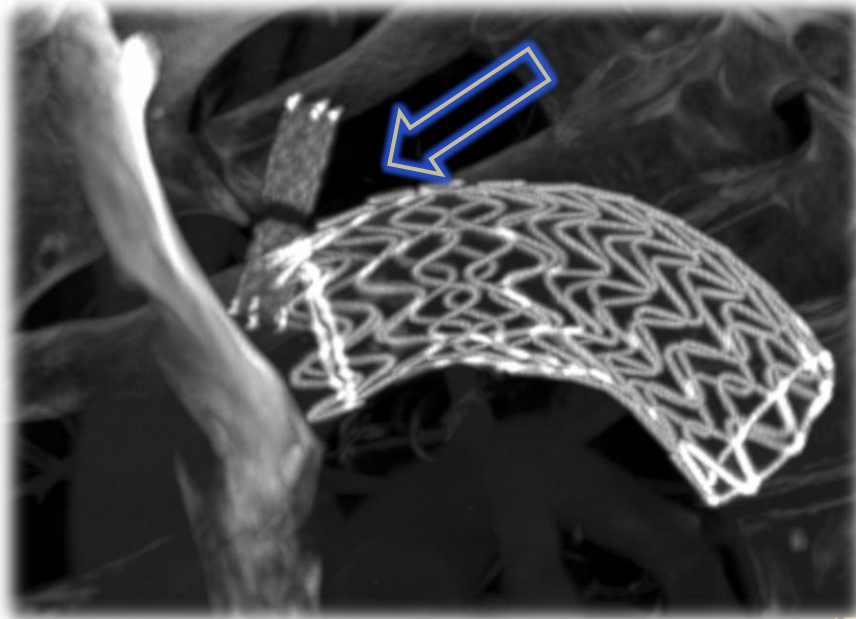
CHIMNEY GRAFT COMPLIC. 4 (12.1%)

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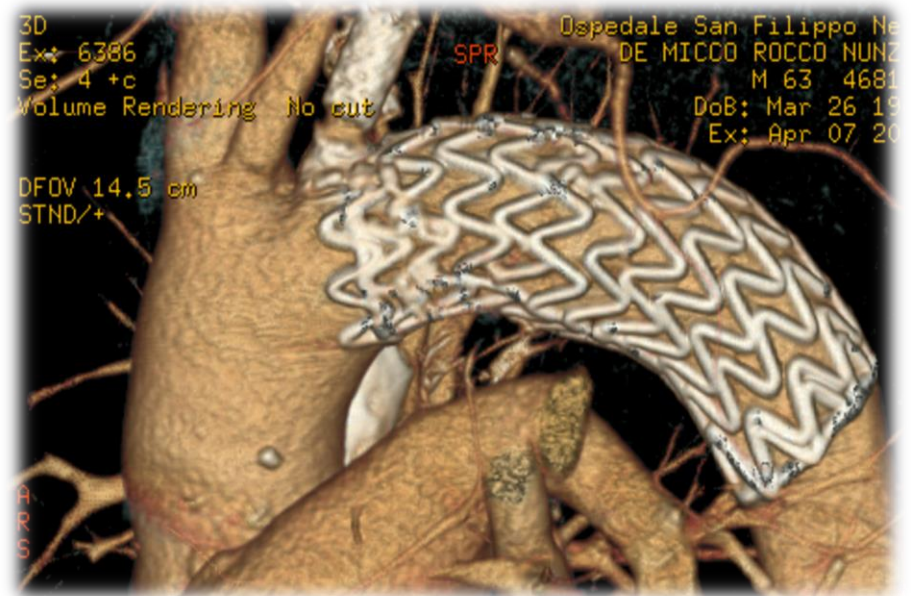
- LSA ASYMPT OCCL 1 (11 MTHS)
- LCCA ASYMPT OCCL 1 (22 MTHS)
(TREATED → BYPASS)
- STENT FRACTURE (ASYMPT) 1 (2 MTHS)
- VIABAHN STENOSIS 1 (24 MTHS)

STENT FRACTURE

LSA Stent Fracture
after 2 months

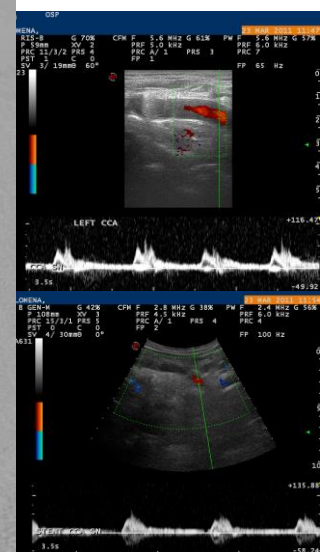
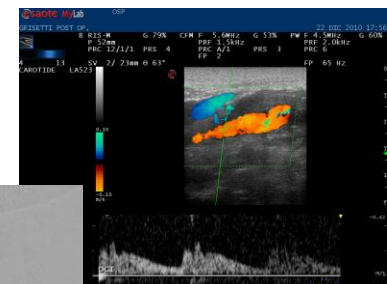
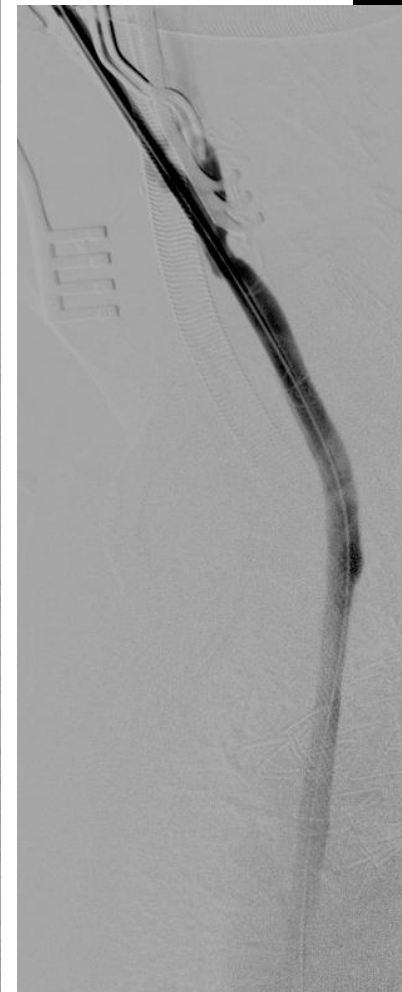
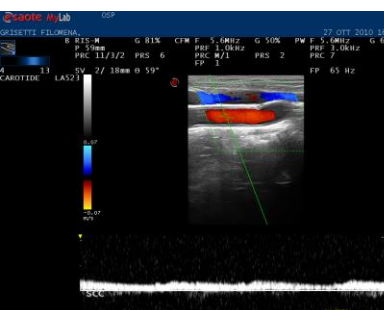
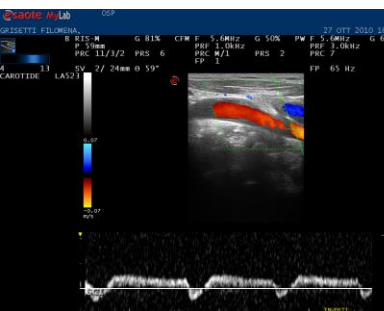


PATENT AT 54 mths





VIABAHN STENOSIS

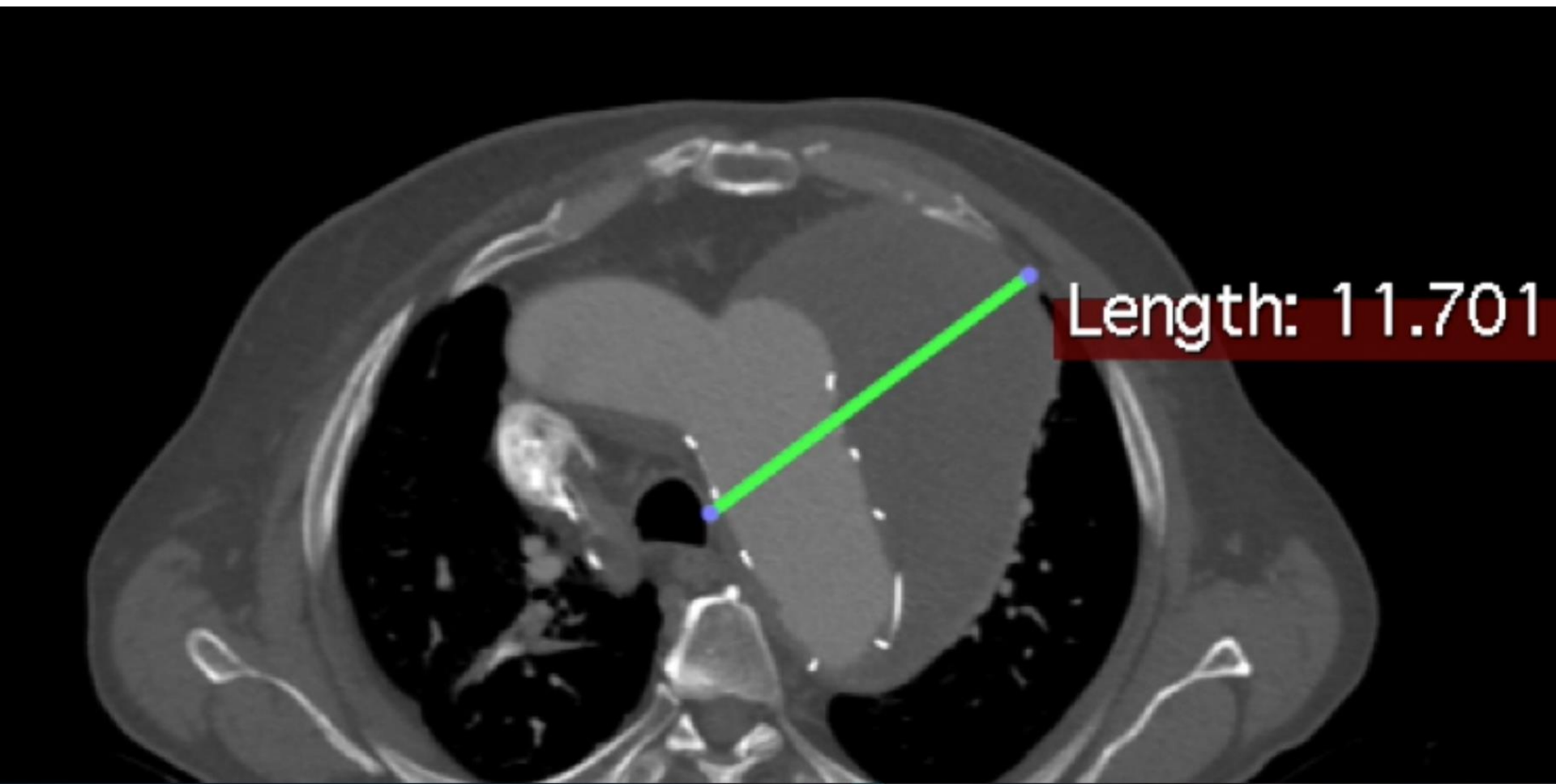


TAA – PREV TEVAR

WL: 300 WW: 1590

Zoom: 100% Ang: 0
m: 171





View size: 1096 x 919
WL: 104 WW: 386

S:14 ANGIO AORTA TORACICA

ASR

— ANGIO
10702

PERISCOPE LCC

TEVAR

CHIMNEY IA

Length: 5.622 cm (22.150 pix)

**OPPOSITE CONFIGURATION
TO REDUCE ASCENDING MATERIALS**

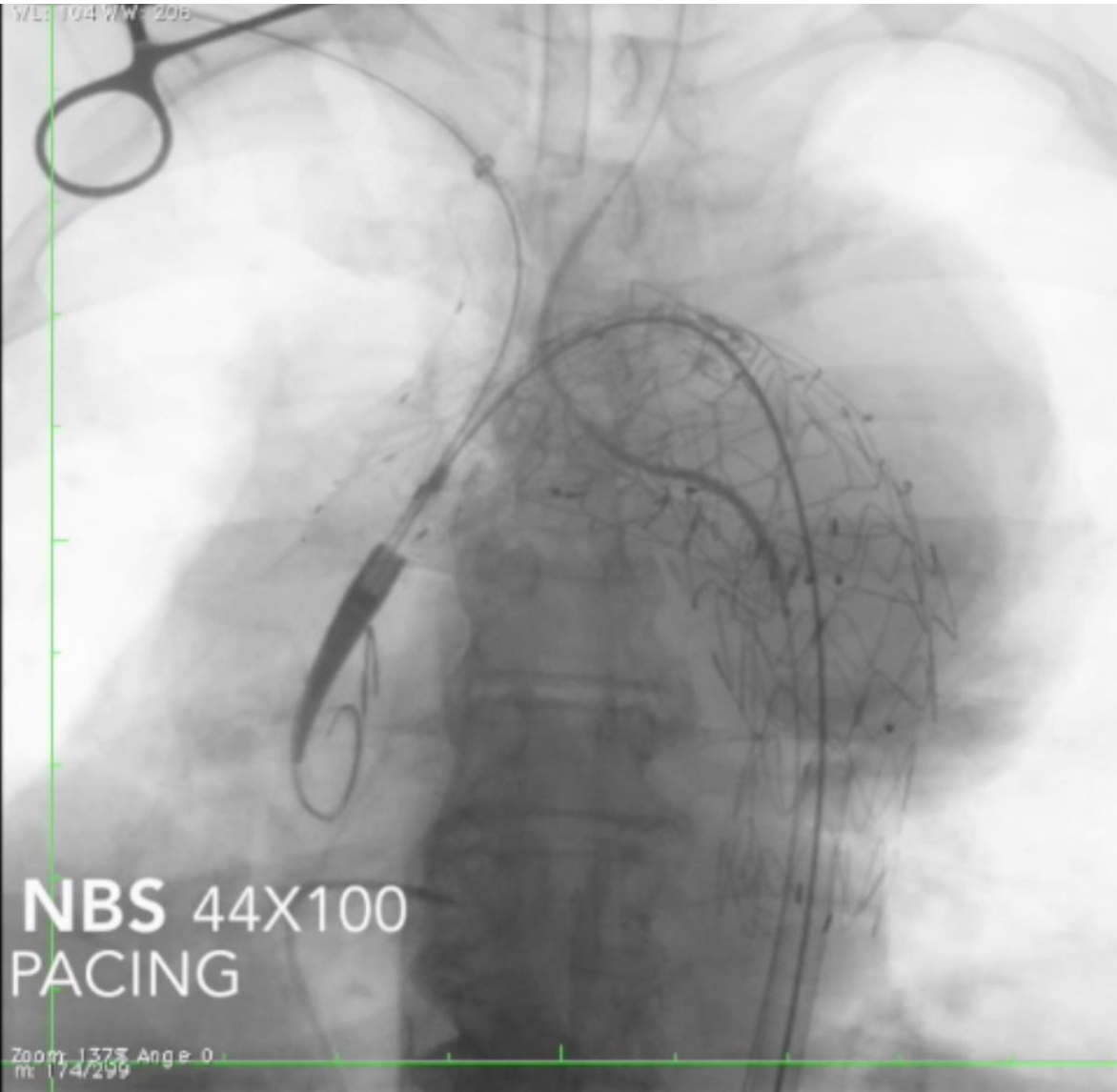
Area: 0.276 cm²
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Min: 156.816 Max: 296.650
Length: 5.622 cm

Area: 3.422 cm²
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Min: -60.844 Max: 304.460
Length: 5.455 cm

12/09/15 12:45:19
Machine: Gink

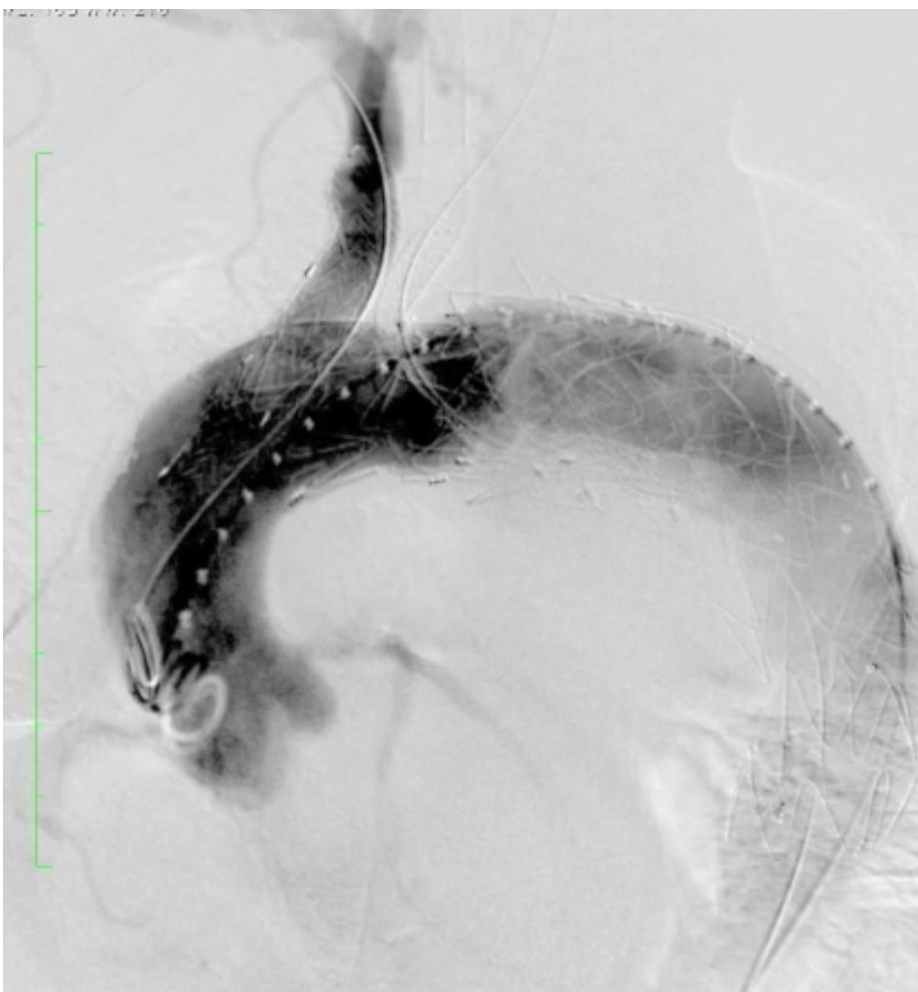


WL: 104 WW: 208



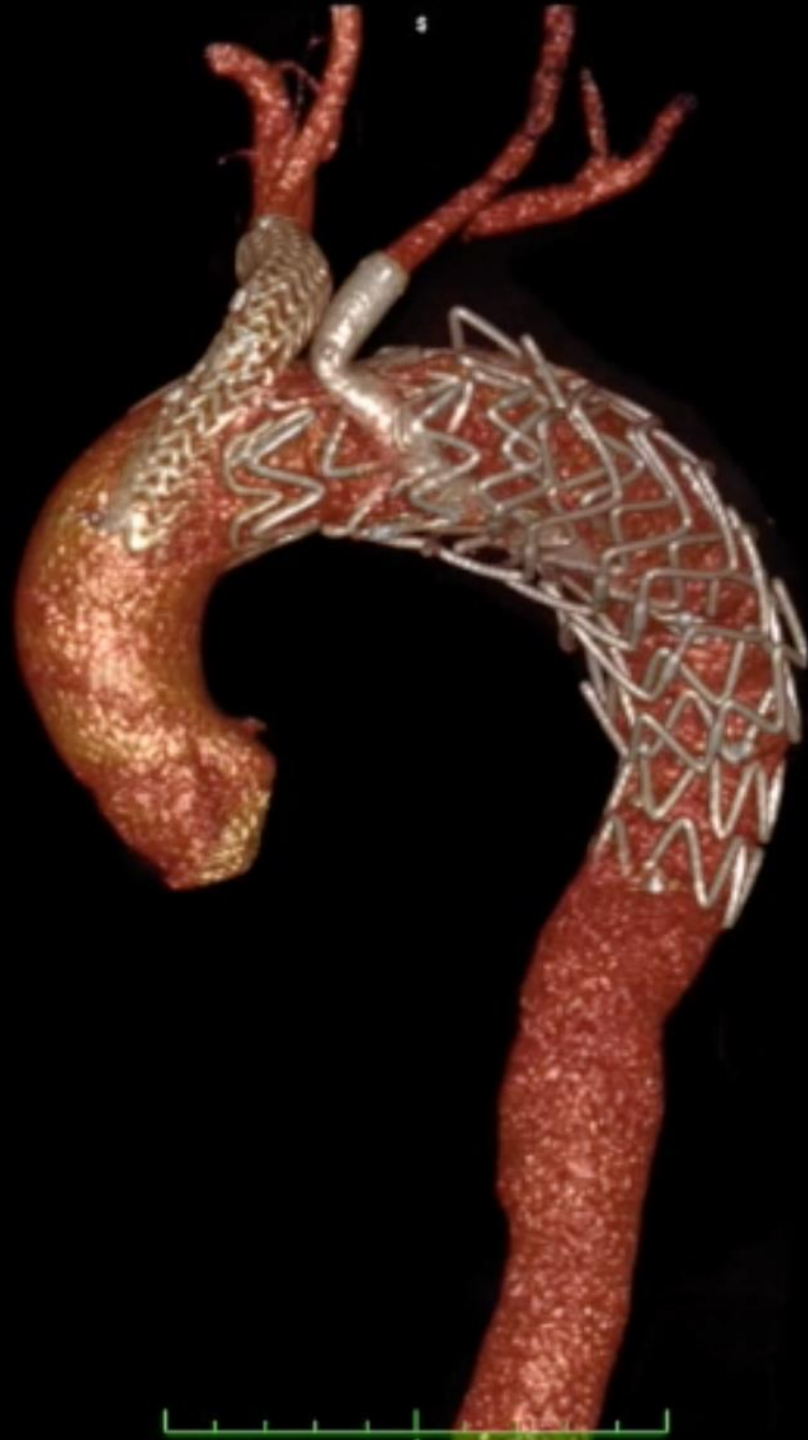
BOLTON NBS 44X100
CARDIAC PACING

Zoom: 137% Angle: 0
m: 174/299



WL: 127 WW: 255

A



Zoom: 67% Angle: 0
mm: 2740



CHIMNEYS

- OFF THE SHELF
- FEASIBLE
- SAFE
- DURABLE



CHIMNEY ROLE

✓ RESCUE

✓ EMERGENCY

✓ HIGH RISK PATIENTS

✓ CUSTOM SG LIMITATION

Value and limitations of chimney grafts to treat arch lesions

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Aim. The endovascular debranching with chimney stents provides a minimally invasive alternative to open surgery with readily available devices and has extended the option of endoluminal therapy into the realm of the aortic arch. But a critical observation at the use of this technique at the aortic arch is important and necessary because of the lack of long-term results and long term patency of the stents. Our study aims to review the results of chimney grafts to treat arch lesions.

Methods. A systematic health database search was performed in December 2014 according to the Prisma Guidelines. Papers were sought through a meticulous search of the MEDLINE database (National Library of Medicine, Bethesda, MA) using the Pubmed search engine.

Results. Twenty-two articles were eligible for detailed analysis and data extraction. A total of 182 patients underwent chimney techniques during TEVAR (Thoracic Endovascular Aneurysm Repair). A total of 217 chimney grafts were implanted: 36 to the IA, 1 to the RCCA, 91 to the LCCA and 89 to the LSA. The type of stent-graft used for TEVAR was described in 132 patients. The type and name of chimney graft was described in 126 patients. In 53 patients information was limited to the type. Primary technical success, defined as a complete chimney procedure was achieved in 171 patients (98%). In 8 patients it was not clearly reported. The overall stroke rate was 5.3%. The overall endoleak rate, in those papers where it was clearly reported, was 18.4% (31 patients); 23(13,6%) patients developed a type IA endoleak, 1 patient (0.6%) developed type IB endoleak and 7 patients (4.1%) developed a type II endoleak.

Conclusion. The total endovascular aortic arch debranching technique represent a good option to treat high-risk patients, because it dramatically reduces the

aggressiveness of the procedure in the arch. Many concerns are still present, mainly related to durability and material interaction during time. Long-term follow-up is exceptionally important in light of the interactions of the stents, the thoracic endograft, the aortic arch, and every variation in systolic and diastolic pressure. Actually this technique has acceptable short and mid-term results. Long term data are available just from a very small number of patients and more data from a wider number are needed in order to embrace this method as a safe one.

KEY WORDS: Aortic arch syndromes - Endovascular procedures - Surgical procedures, operative.

Thoracic endovascular aortic repair (TEVAR) has been established as the preferential therapeutic modality for the treatment of intact aneurysms of the descending thoracic aorta.^{1,2} Its application has also gained a wide acceptance for the treatment of acute thoracic aortic pathologies.^{3,4} Aortic arch repair is a challenge for cardiac and vascular surgeons. Open surgical arch replacement can be performed safely⁵ but it still represents a high-risk procedure with increased morbidity and mortality⁶ in fragile patients. The current choice of treatment is open graft replacement, but approximately 20% of patients are considered unfit for open surgery.⁷ In these patients, deemed to be at higher risk, other

CHIMNEY



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