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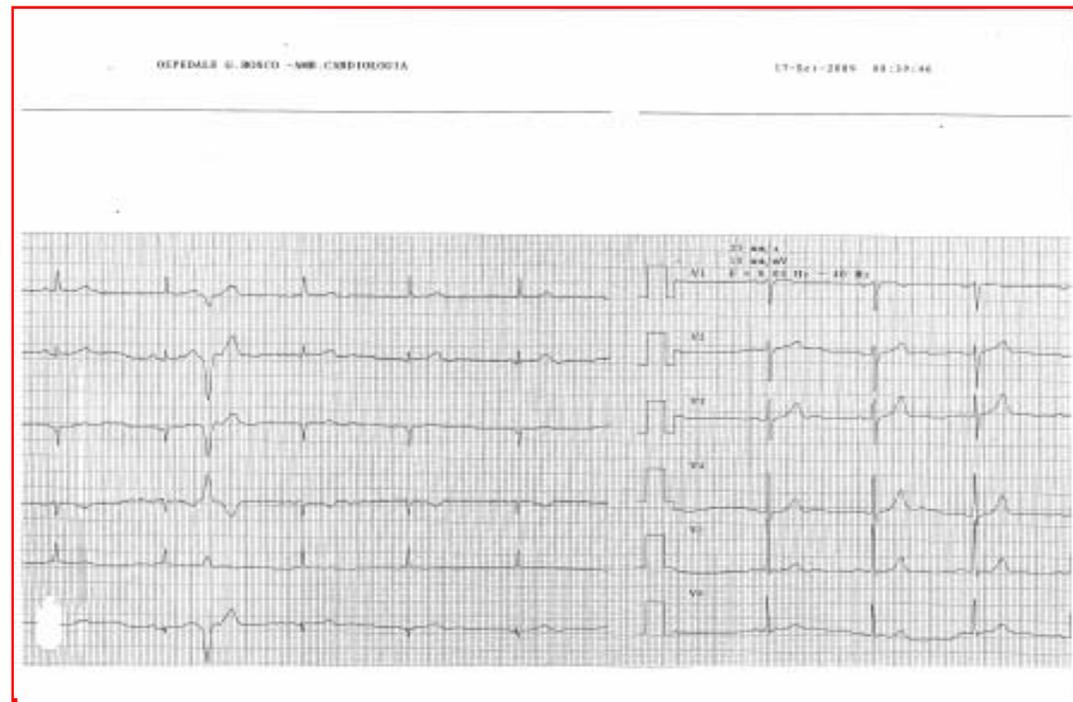
## 75-year-old man

22 september 2009. The patient was admitted for escalating effort angina (from CCS class I to CCS class III). No TpT and CPK elevation.

TTE showed: Normal left ventricular systolic function.

Inferior wall ipokinesia.

ECG: inferior q wave



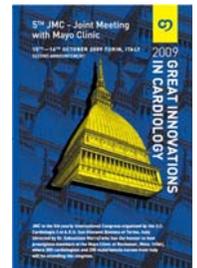
# History

**Risk factors:** arterial hypertension, hyperlipidemia, diabetes mellitus, moderate renal insufficiency (creatinine 2.0 mg/dl).

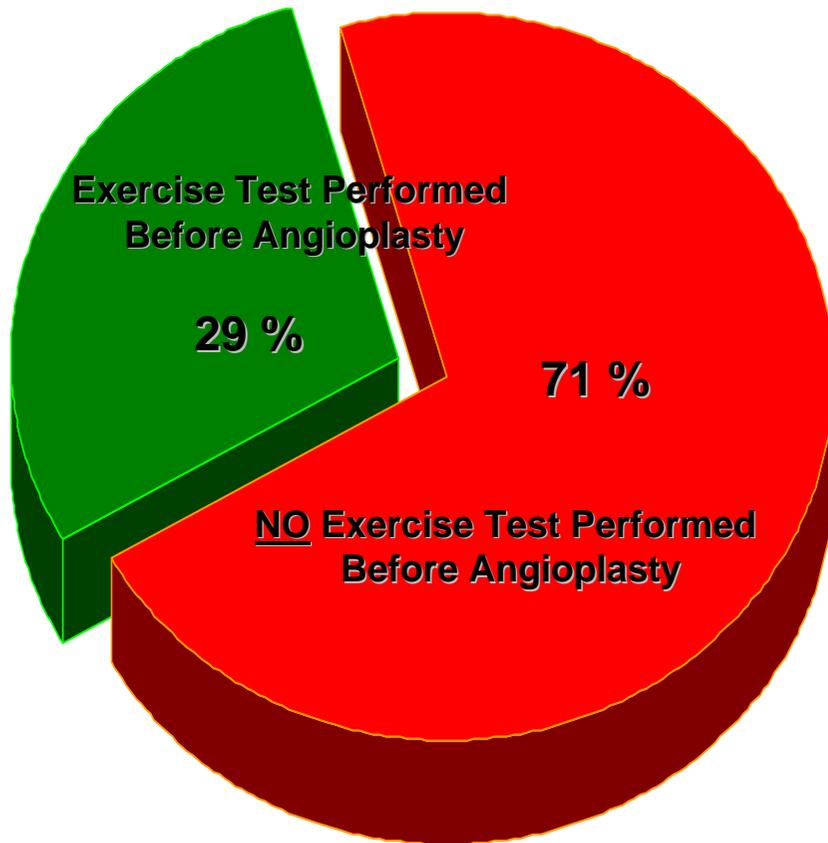
Previous duodenal ulcer Hp +

Intermittens claudicatio (a recent PTA of right iliac artery)

**1993:** acute inferior myocardial infarction treated with medical therapy. Coronary angiography showed a 2 vessel disease. Critical stenosis of ostial LAD and occlusion of RCA. The patient underwent bypass surgery. **LIMA on the LAD and venous graft on RCA**

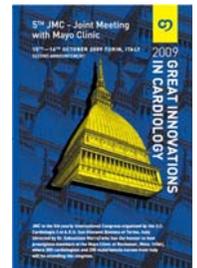


In the **ideal world** patients would be screened pre- (angiography/PCI) using a technique that assessed stress-induced myocardial ischemia (Myocardial perfusion imaging/ Echo dobutamine) **but**.....

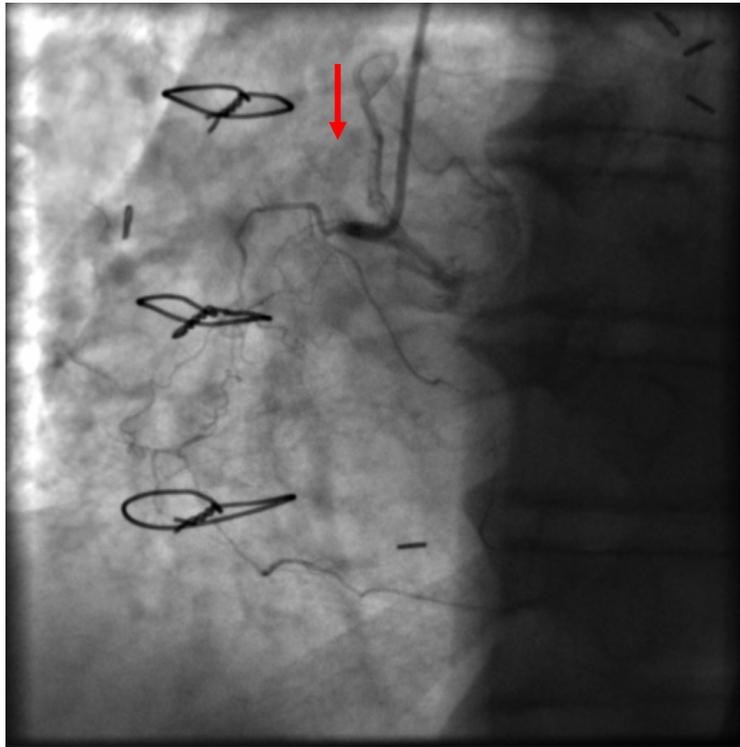


In **real practice** non invasive testing is performed in a **minority of cases** of patients

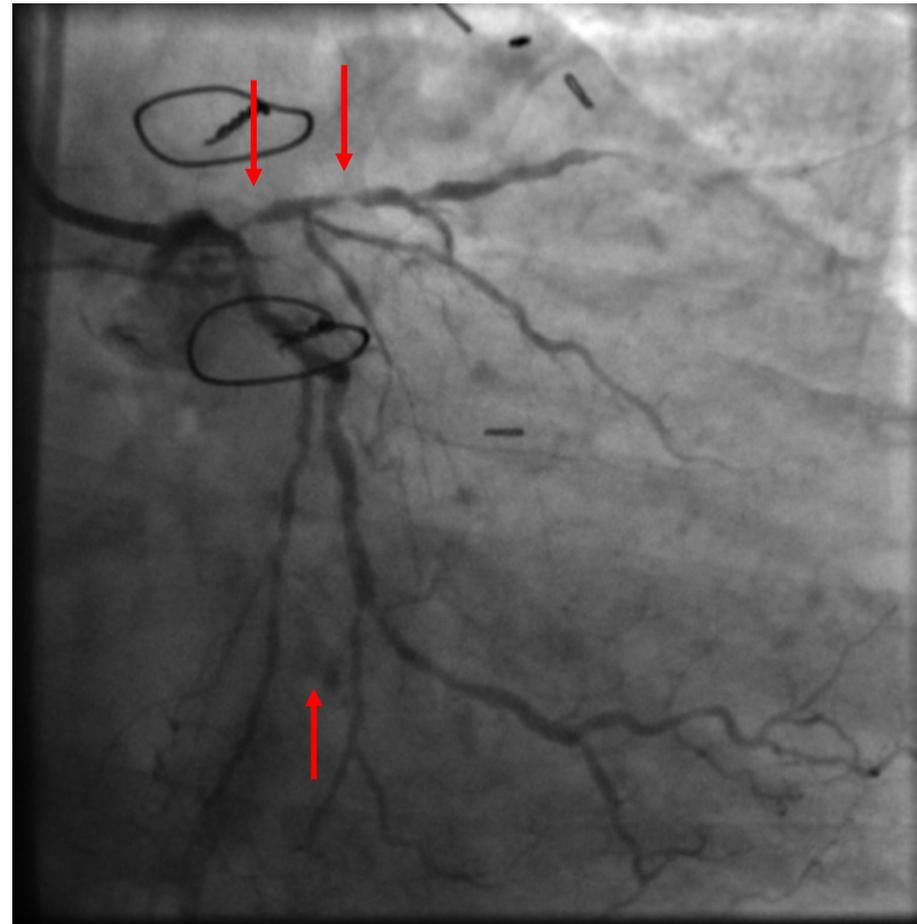
Topol et al. Circulation 1993



RCA proximal occlusion  
receive collateral from LAD  
and LCx



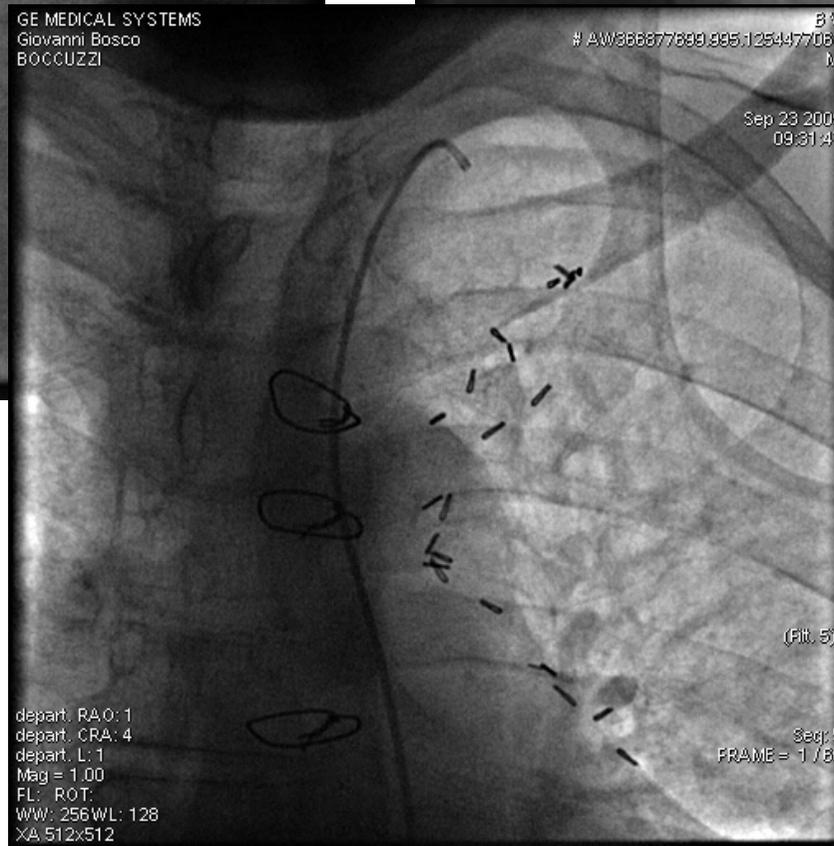
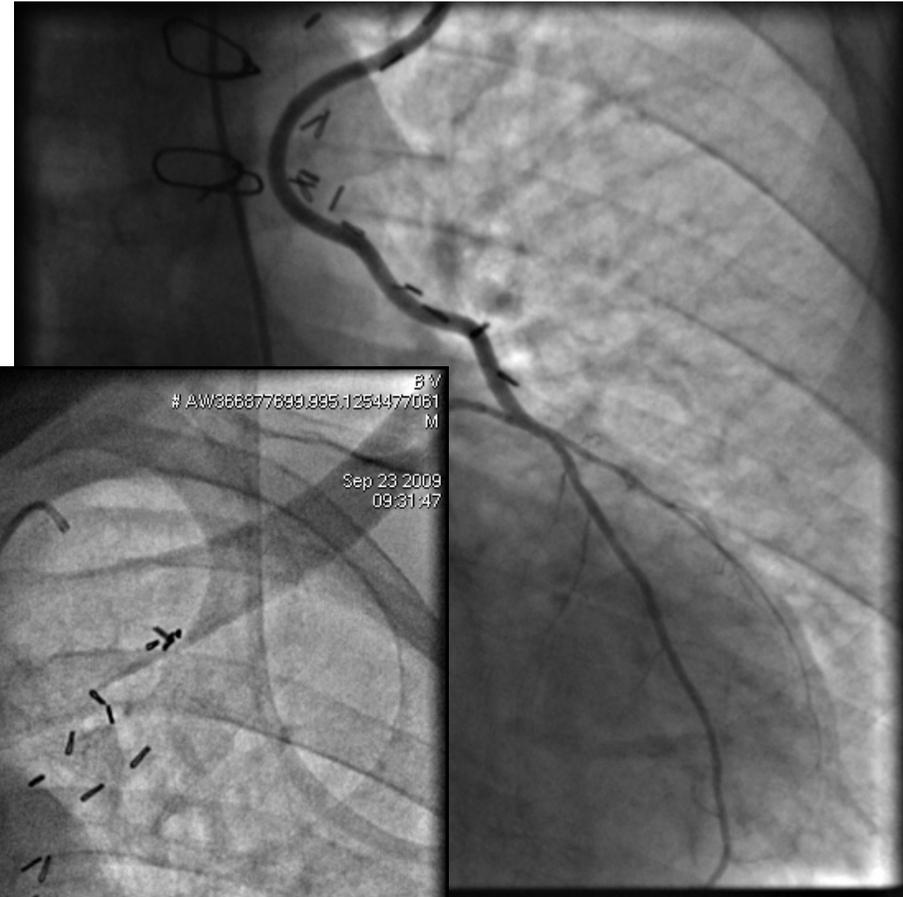
LAD ostial and proximal  
lesions.  
Diffuse disease of LCX



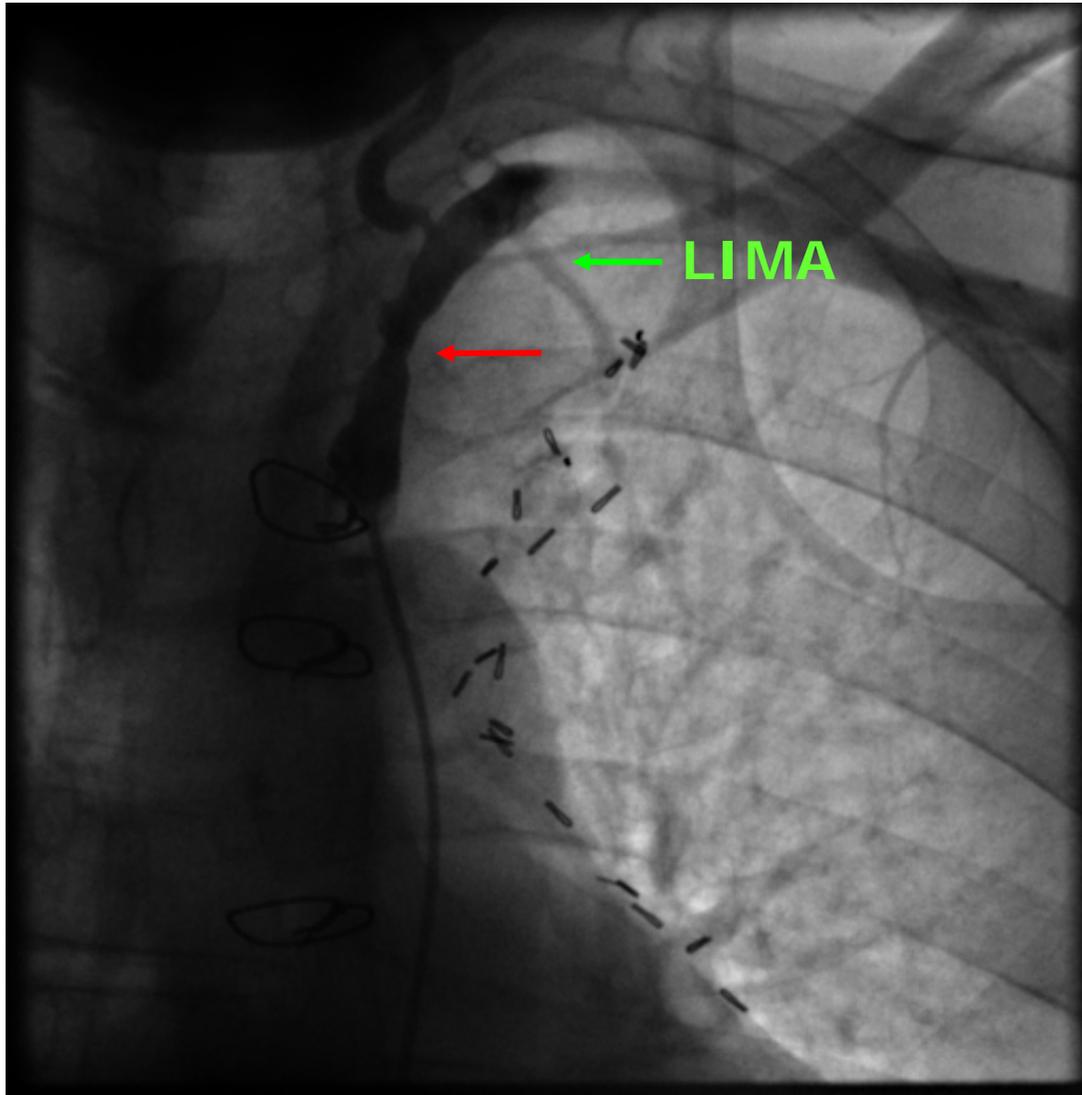
Venous graft occlusion



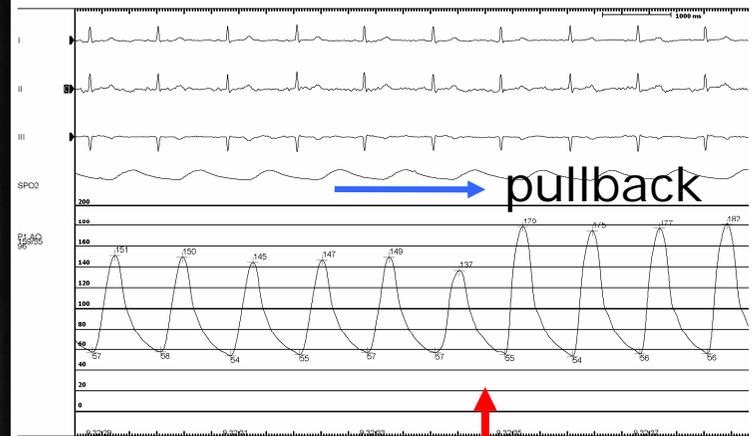
Patent LIMA graft



# Left subclavian artery



Transtenotic gradient: 30 mmHg



Stenosis

## Problem

**Which is the stenosis responsible for the complaints of the patient?**

1. Venous graft occlusion
2. Subclavian artery stenosis

# Problem

## What we can do?

~~1. Exercise test~~



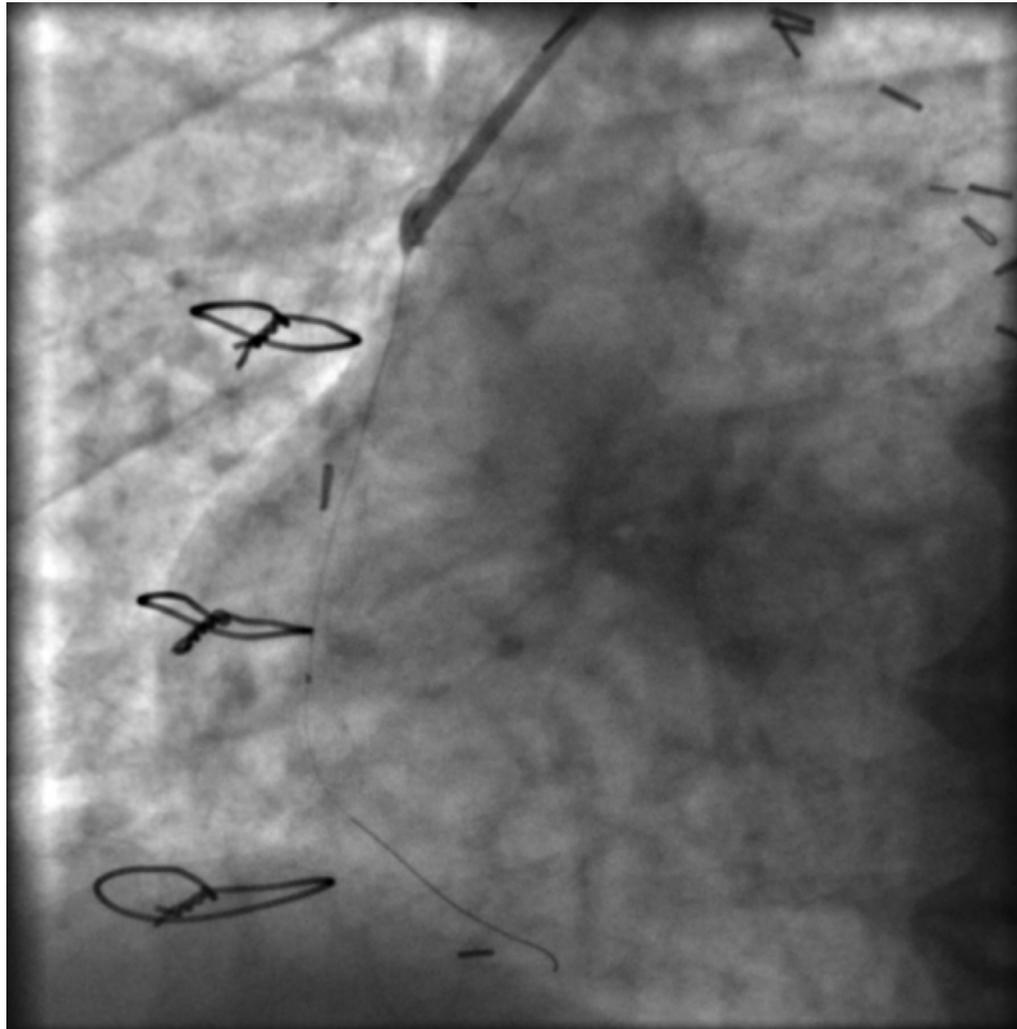
Intermittens  
claudicatio

2. ECO dobutamine

3. MIBI-SPECT



**We try to reopen the venous graft  
but  
was a CTO!**



# Problem

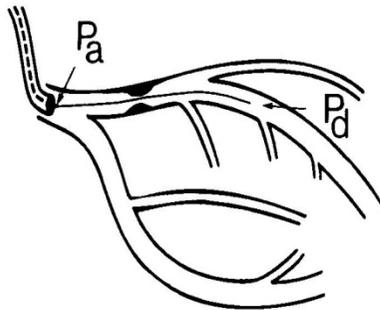
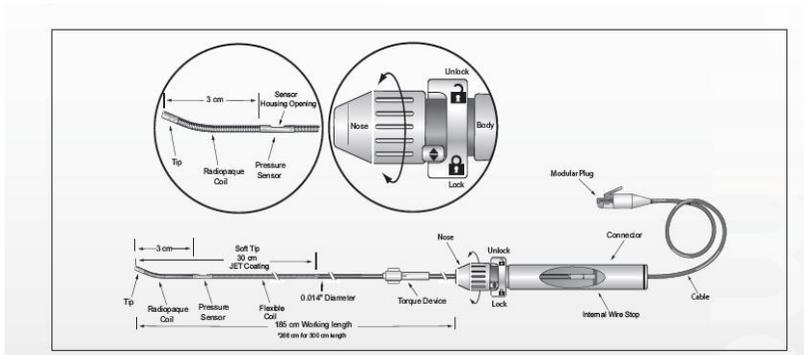
How can we confirm that the lesion of subclavian artery is the culprit lesion?

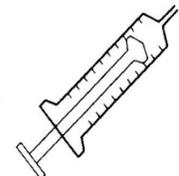
- ~~1. Exercise test~~ → Intermittens claudicatio
2. ECO dobutamine
3. MIBI-SPECT
4. Fractional Flow Reserve



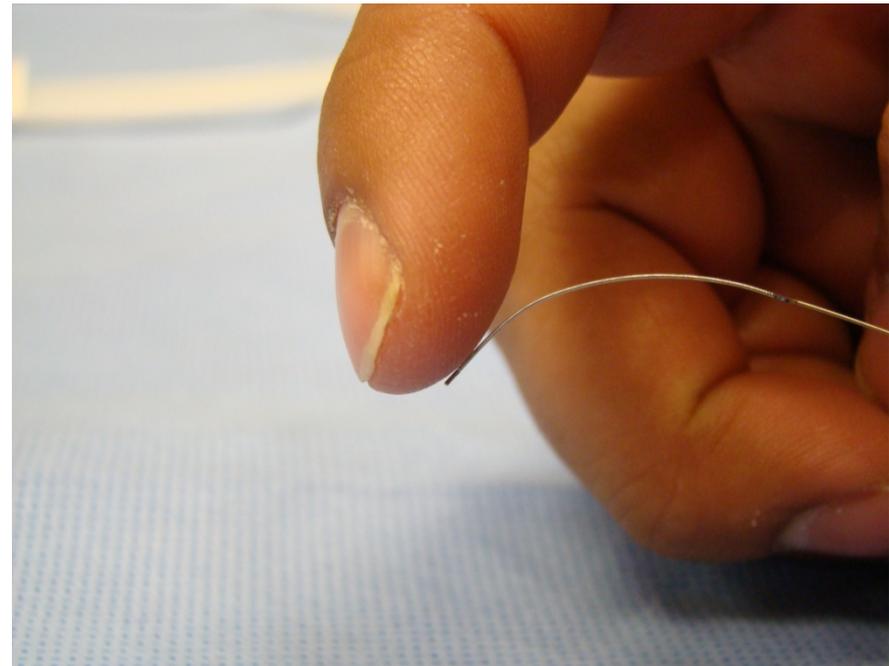
# What is FFR?

FFR: is defined as the ratio of maximal blood flow in a stenotic artery to normal maximal flow.



 +  = FFRmyo

pressure wire      papav./ adenosine



## AHA Scientific Statement

### Physiological Assessment of Coronary Artery Disease in the Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory

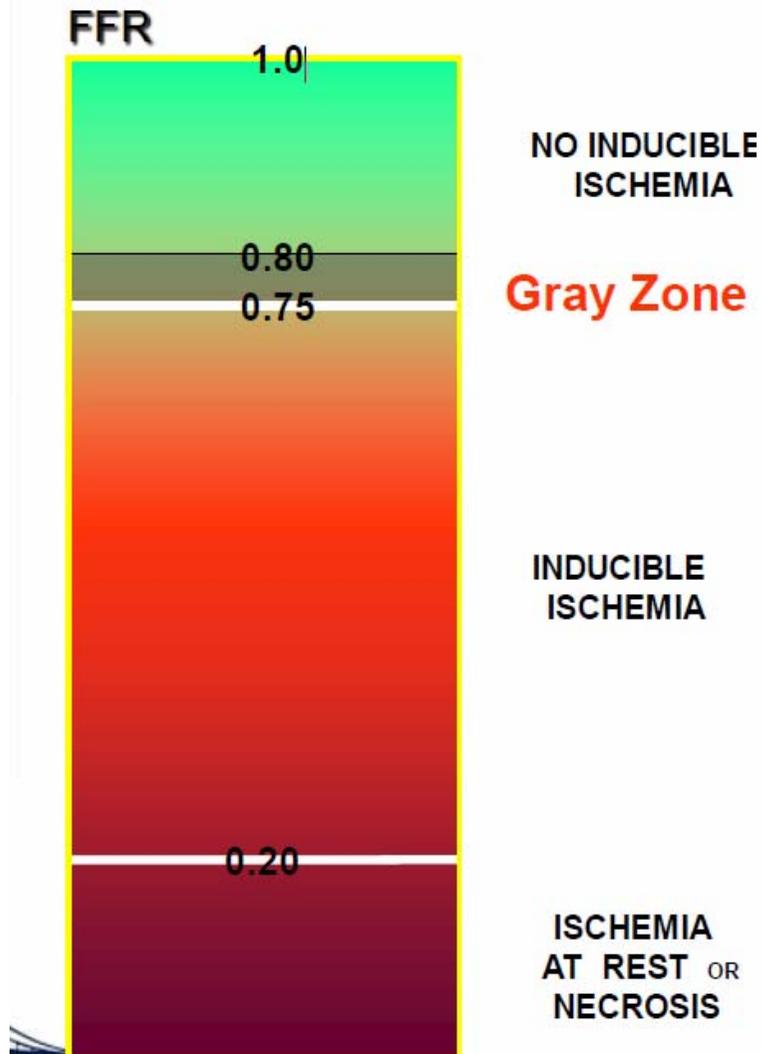
A Scientific Statement From the American Heart Association  
Committee on Diagnostic and Interventional Cardiac Catheterization,  
Council on Clinical Cardiology

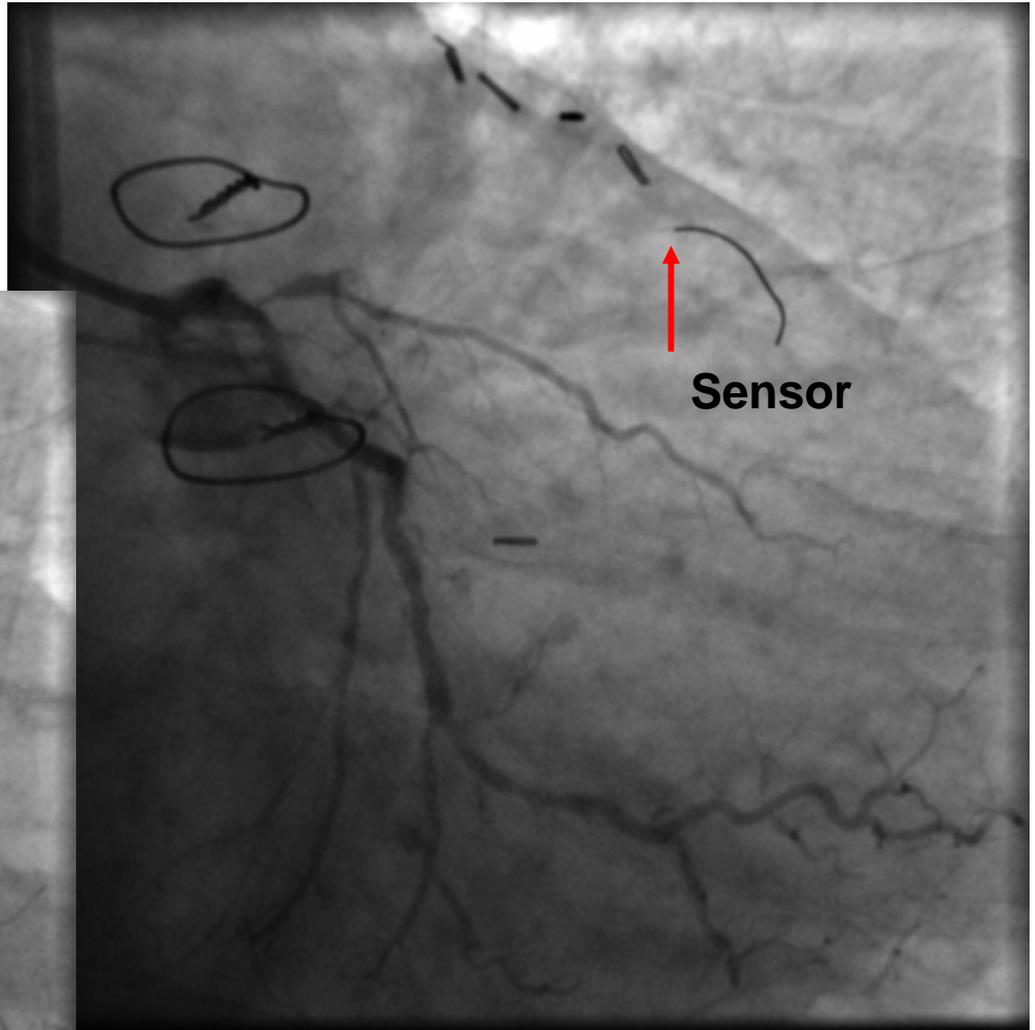
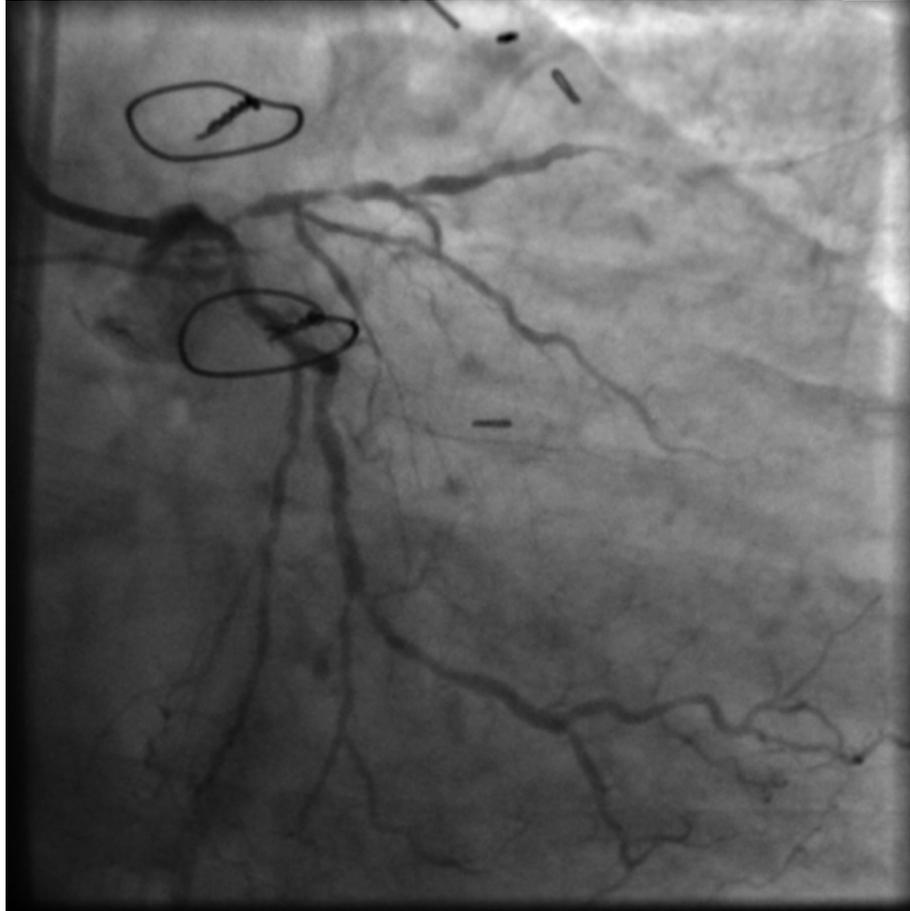
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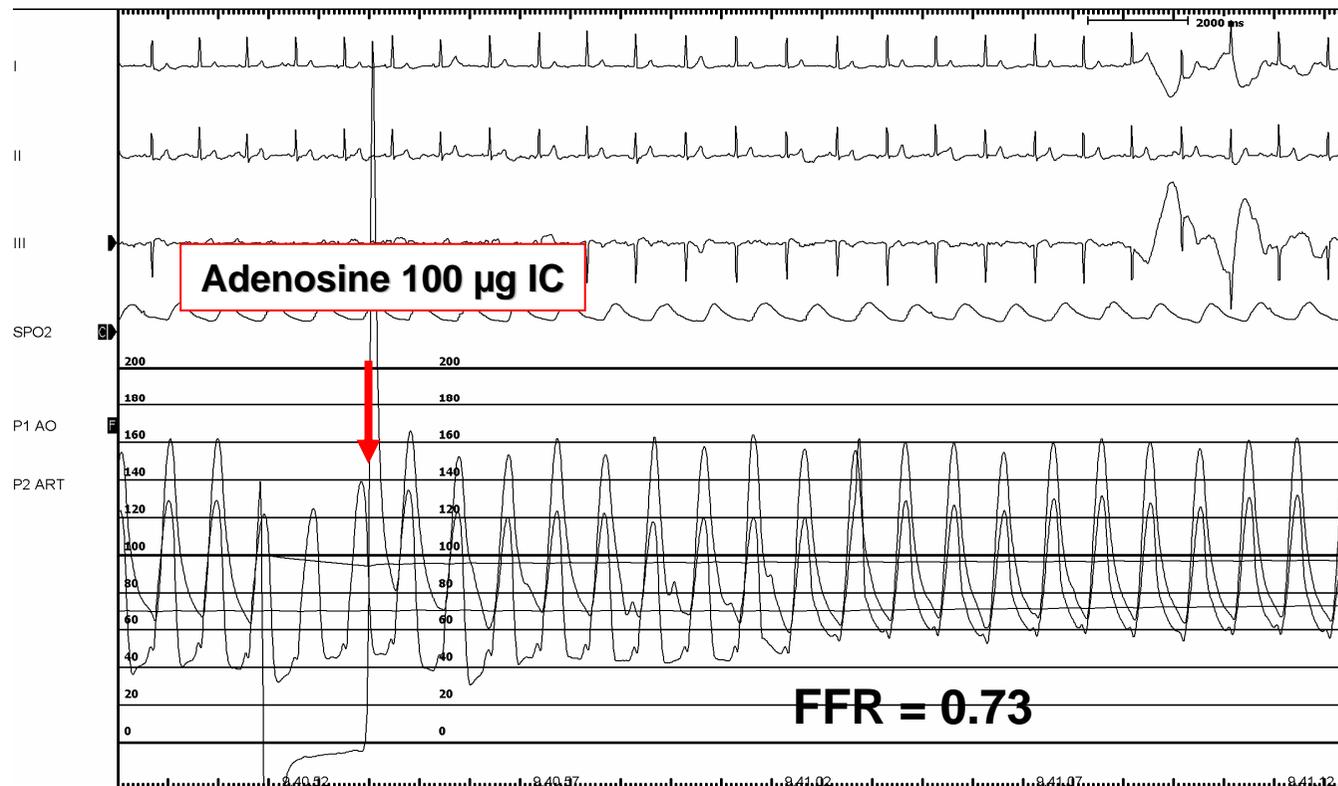
#### Fractional Flow Reserve versus Angiography for Guiding Percutaneous Coronary Intervention

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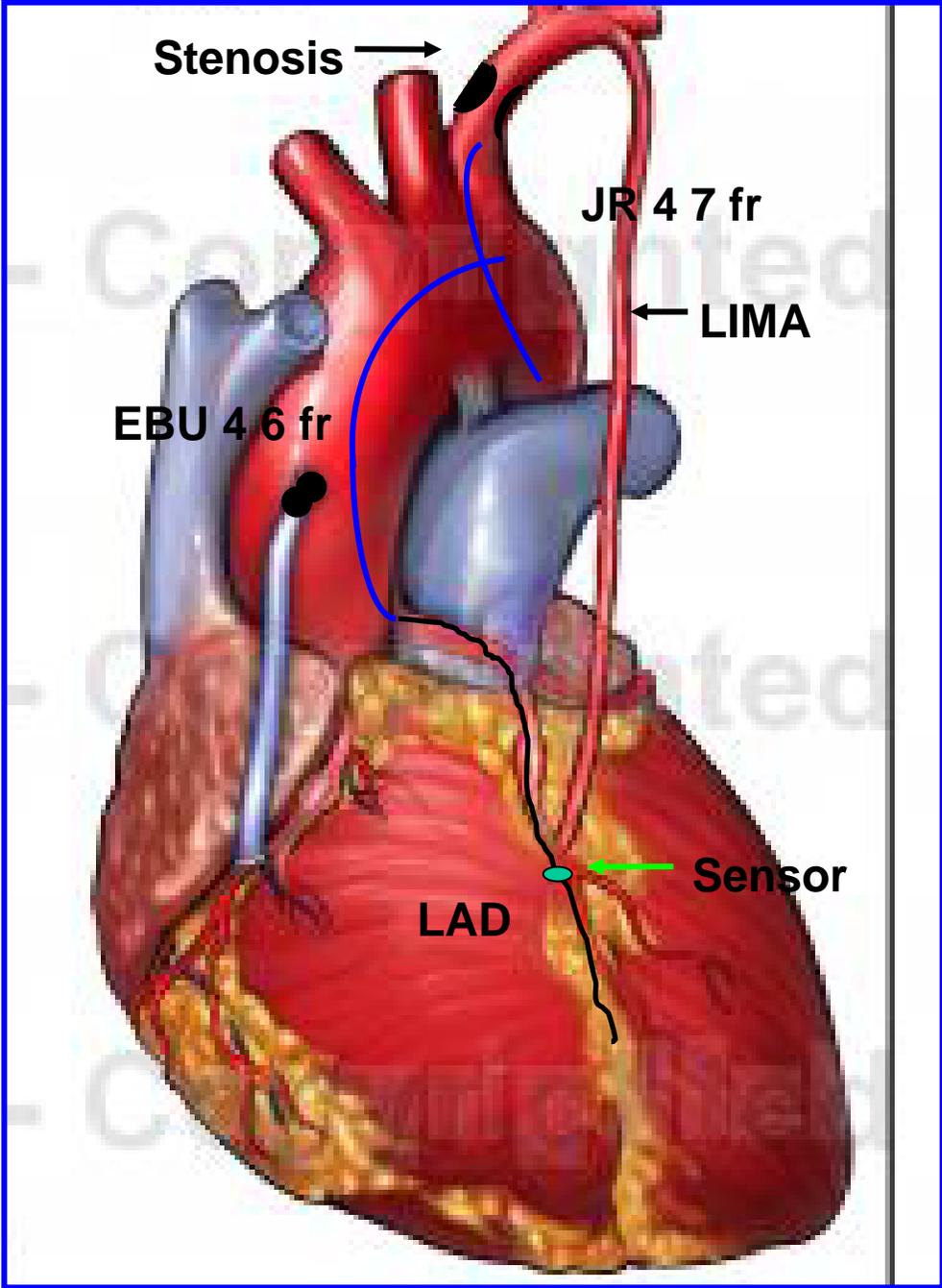


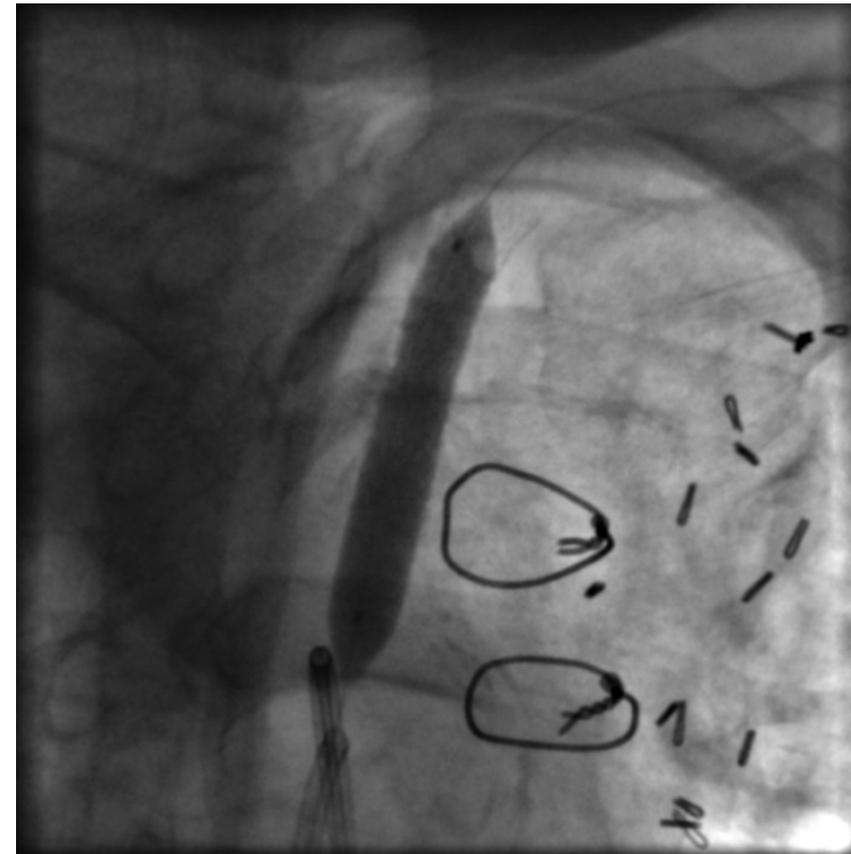
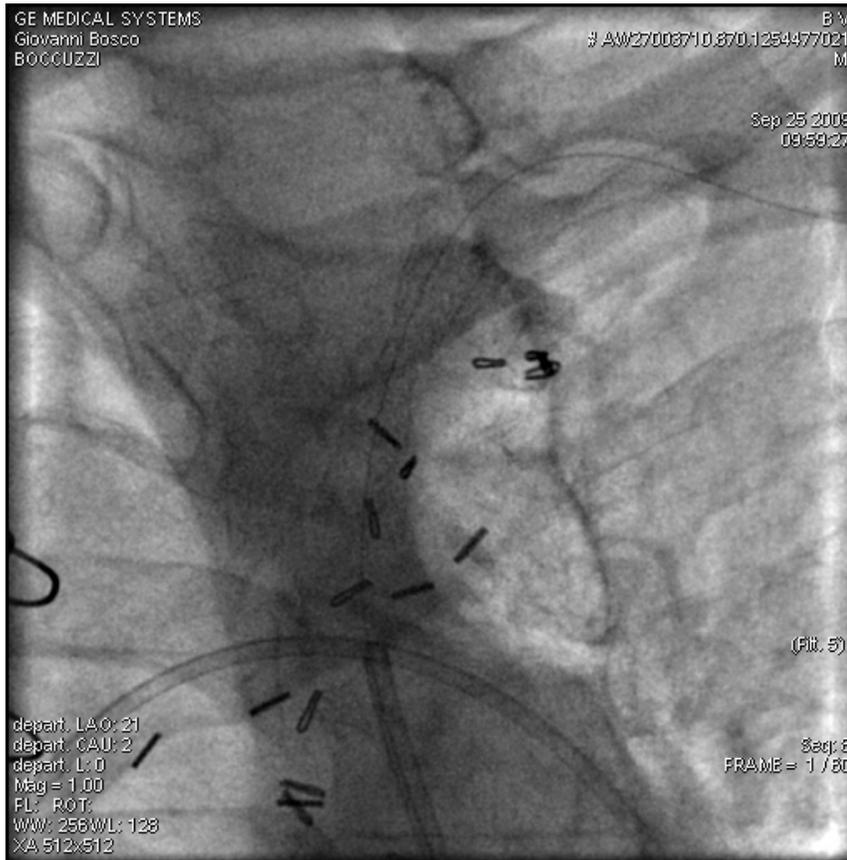
## PressureWire Sensor distal to the LIMA-LAD anastomosis



An FFR value of 0.80 or less identifies ischemia-causing coronary stenoses with an accuracy of more than 90%.

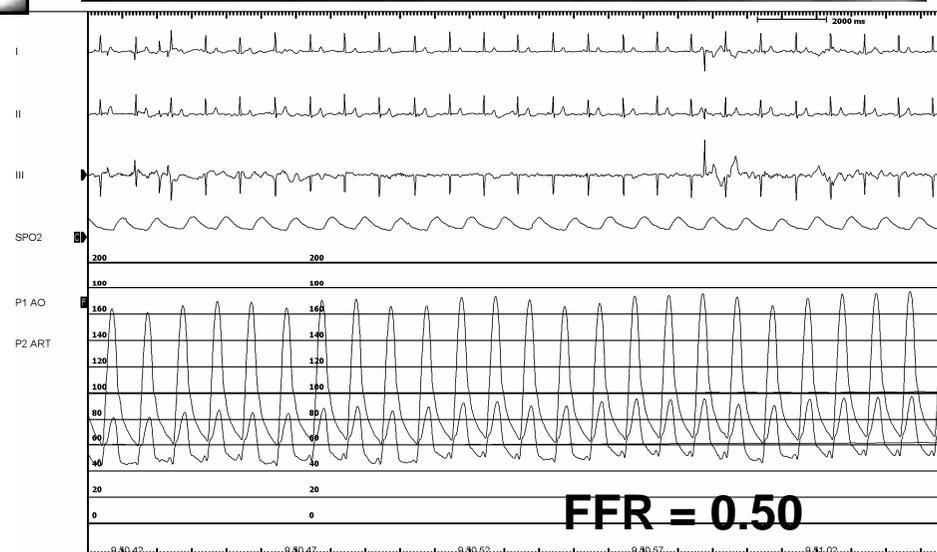






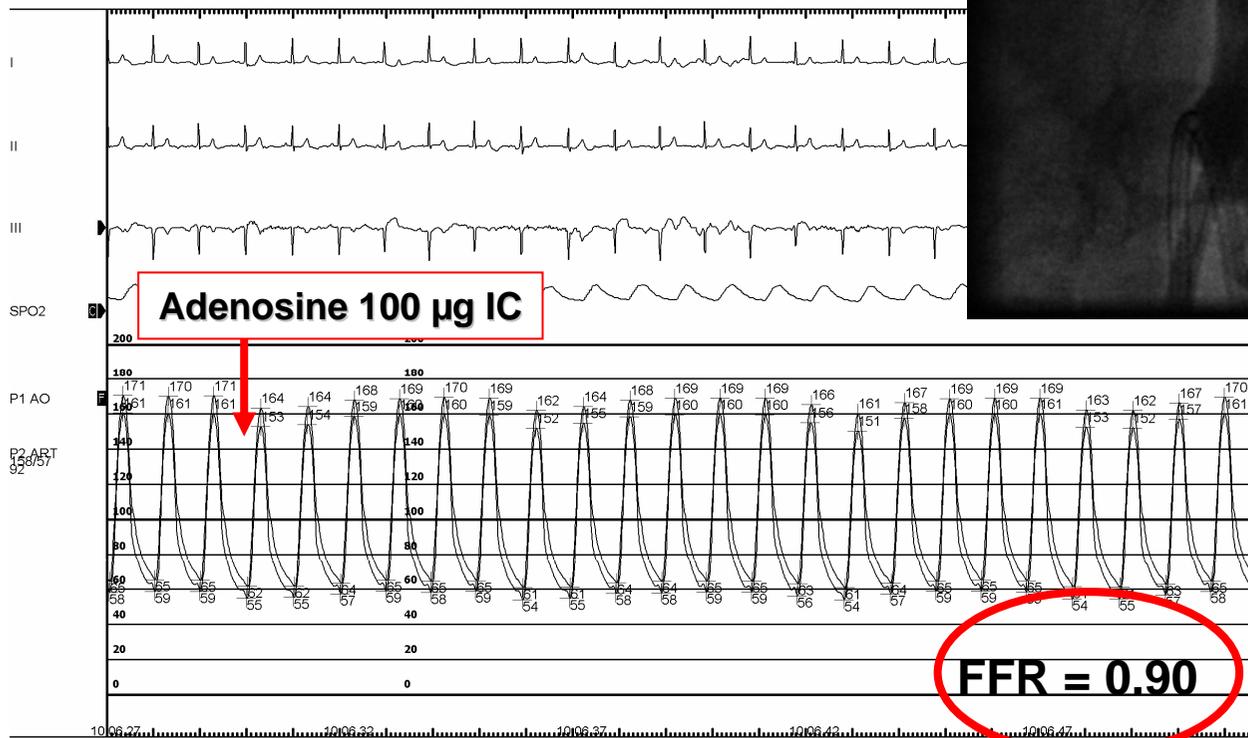
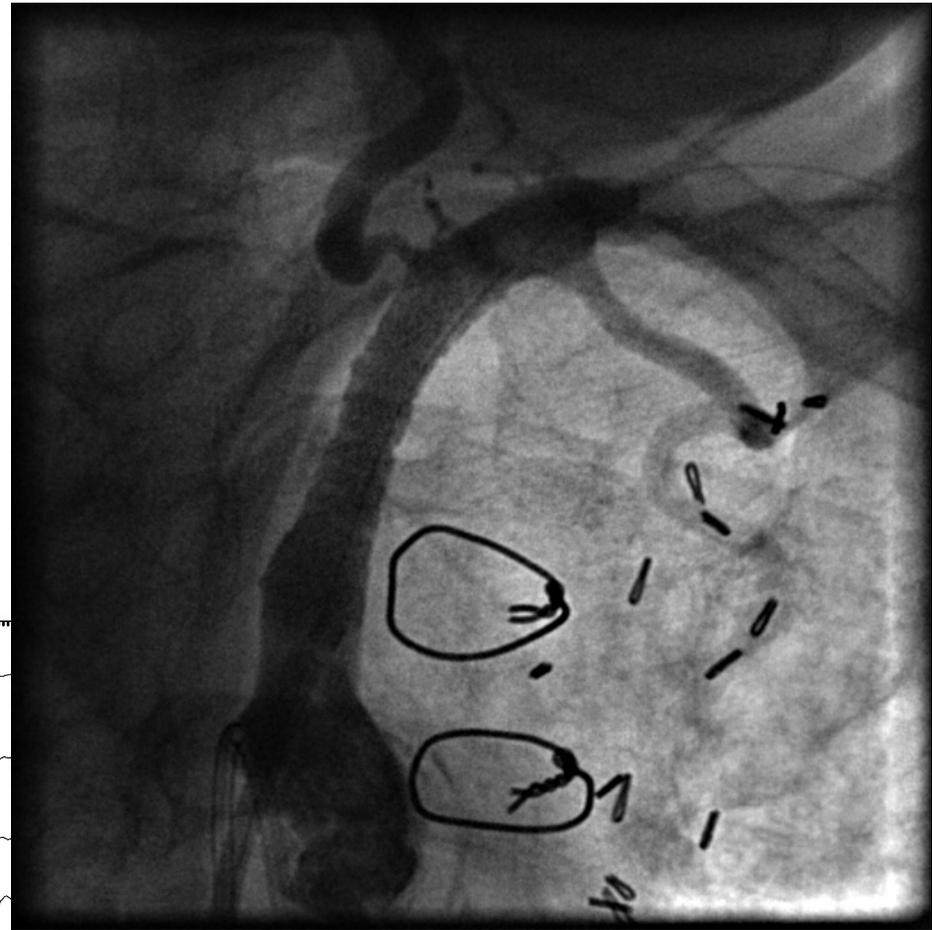
Precise 9.0 x 30 mm  
(self expandable stent)

Post Dilatation:  
Sterling 8.0 x 40 mm

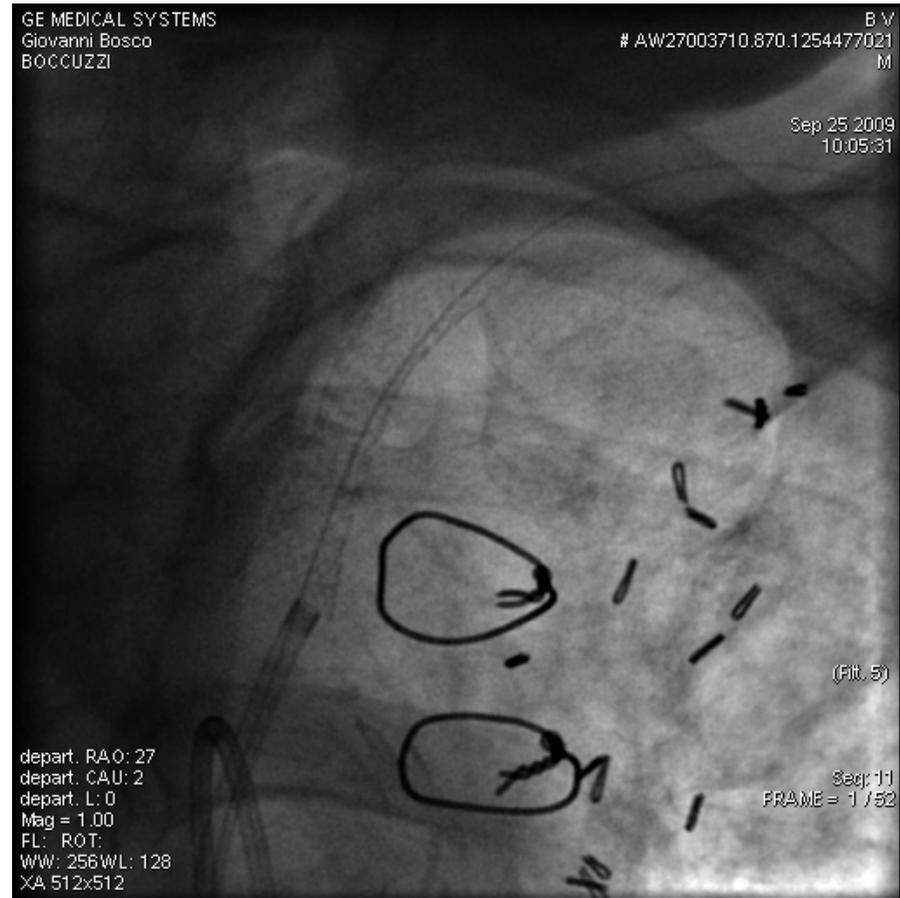
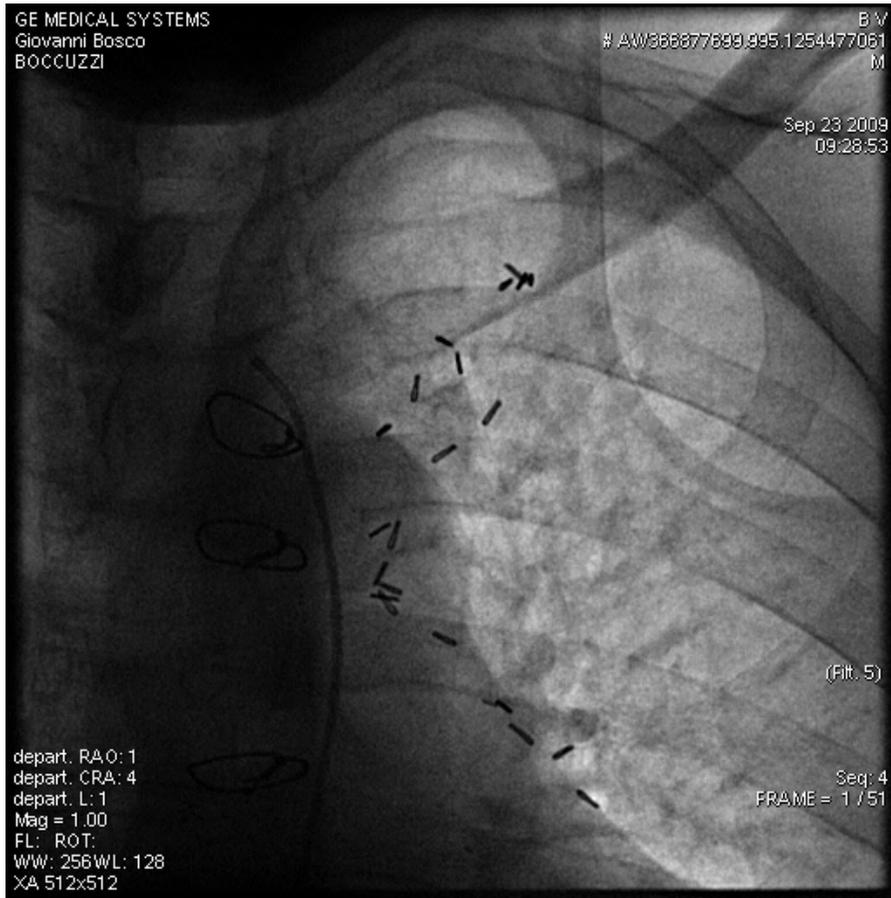


# Final result

## PressureWire Sensor in distal LAD



**FFR = 0.90**

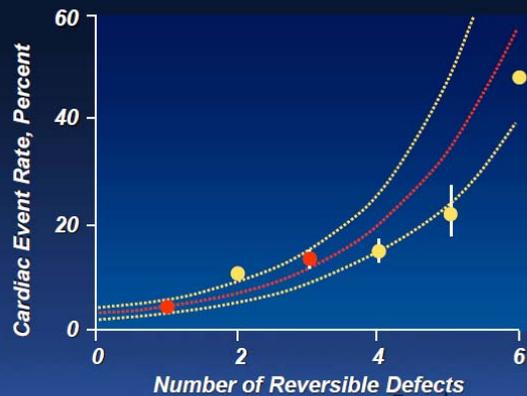


**Follow up**

The patient remains symptom-free at 1-month follow-up

# Conclusion

Relationship Between Extent of Ischemia and Cardiac Events (n=1689)

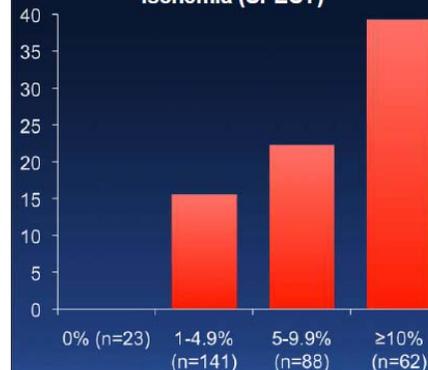


Ischemic-producing lesions cause symptoms and cardiac events

A primary goal of PCI is to relieve myocardial ischemia, resulting in fewer symptoms and cardiac events

COURAGE Nuclear Substudy (n=314)

Death/MI according the residual ischemia (SPECT)



- In the overall cohort  $\geq 5\%$  ischemia reduction was associated with reduced death/MI compared to no ischemia reduction: 13.4% vs 27.4%,  $p=0.037$
- In 105 pts with moderate/severe pre-treatment ischemia, a  $\geq 5\%$  ischemia reduction was associated with reduced death/MI compared to no ischemia reduction: 16.2% vs 32.4%,  $p=0.001$
- OCI+OMT was associated with greater ischemia reduction overall and in pts with moderate/severe pre-treatment ischemia

## Conclusion

1. Measuring FFR (or IVUS) can maximize the benefit of PCI by accurately **discriminating** the lesions for which revascularization will provide the most benefit from those for which PCI may only increase the risk
2. FFR /IVUS can help us to achieve a **“functionally” complete revascularization**



**Grazie per l'attenzione**



**THANK YOU**