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Deep Vein Thrombosis: Contemporary Endovascular Interventions



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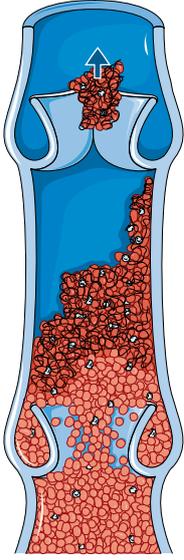
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Background of DVT

- Annual incidence of 1st episode of DVT
 - Western population ~ 50-100 per 100 000
 - Asian population¹ ~ 13.8-19.9 per 100 000
 - 2x increase per 10 year age increase
 - Slightly greater in females aged 20-45 years
 - Men have a higher incidence aged 45-60 years
- First-time DVT ~ 30-day mortality 4.6%
- First-time PE ~ 30 day mortality 9.7%

• Unprovoked vs Provoked DVT

- **Unprovoked (Idiopathic) Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT):**
A DVT that occurs **without any identifiable provoking factor.**



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ACQUIRED Risk factors for Provoked DVT

- Cancer
- Acute medical illness
- Surgery
 - 0.08 % (0-2.9 %)
- Trauma
- Immobility (often in hospital and lasting at least 3 days)
- Obesity
- Infection
- Hormone therapy (oestrogen containing)
- Pregnancy
- Long distance travel
- Primary varicose veins
- Prolonged computer related "seated immobility syndrome"
- Antiphospholipid antibodies

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HEREDITARY Risk factors for Provoked DVT

- Non-O blood type (2x risk)
- Heterozygous Factor V Leiden gene polymorphism
- Homozygous Factor V Leiden deficiency
- Antithrombin III deficiency
- Protein C deficiency
- Protein S deficiency

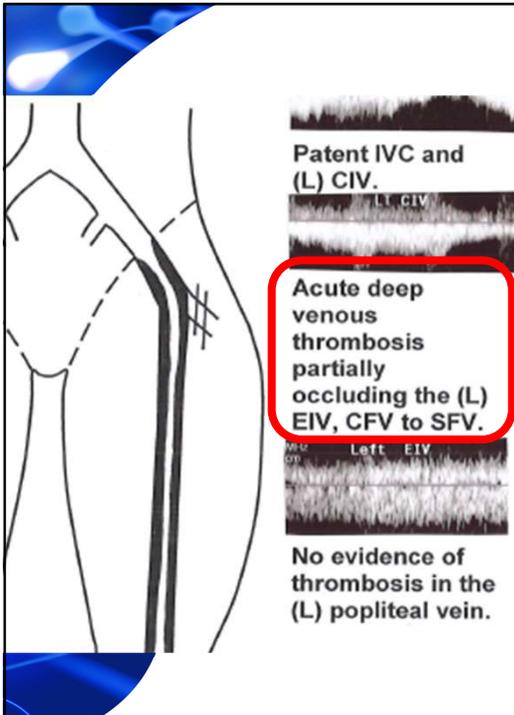
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Clinical Presentation

- More severe symptoms and signs as thrombosis extends more proximally due to worse outflow obstruction
 - Iliofemoral > femoropopliteal > Calf DVT
- Pain
- Swelling
- Phlegmasia cerulea alba
- Phlegmasia cerulea dolens

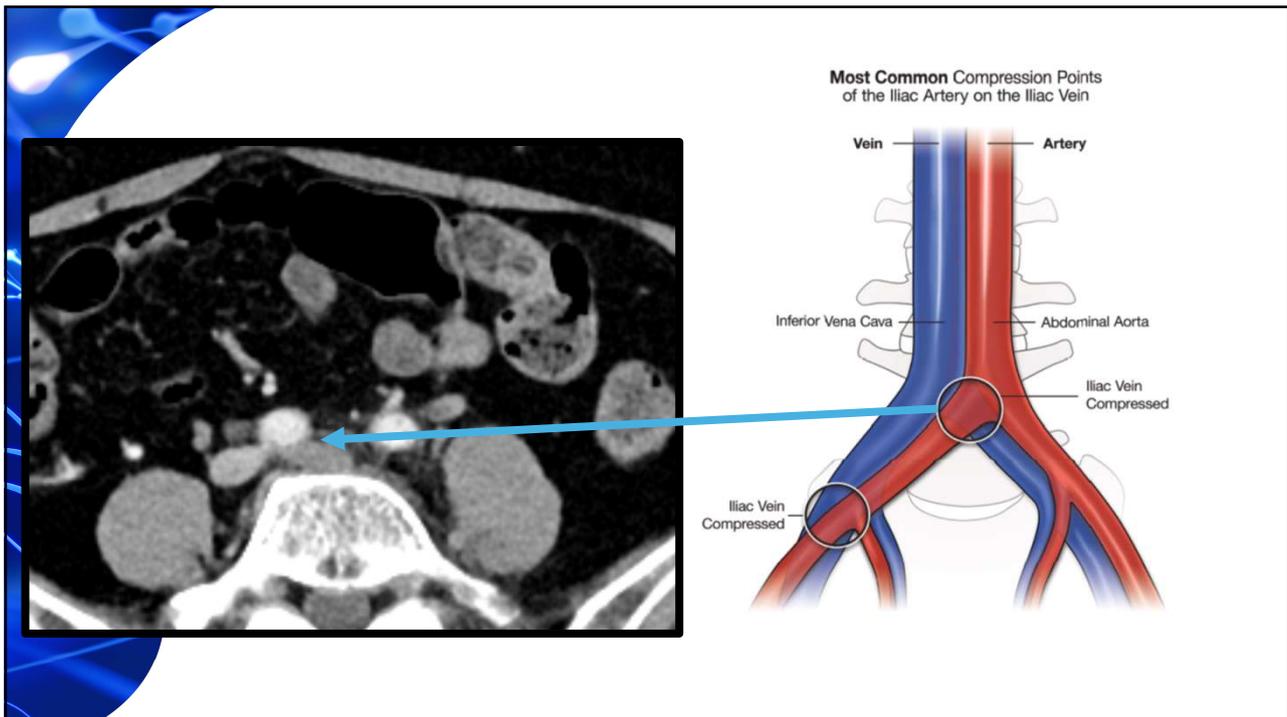
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Investigations

- Ultrasound venous duplex
- CT venogram
 - Evaluate iliac veins for May Thurner pathology
 - Look for CIV to IVC thrombus extension
 - Detect other conditions / abdomino-pelvic masses / occult malignancy
- CT pulmonary angiogram
 - 30-66% have silent PE especially in proximal DVT
 - Detect occult malignancy

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Indications for Acute Iliofemoral DVT Intervention

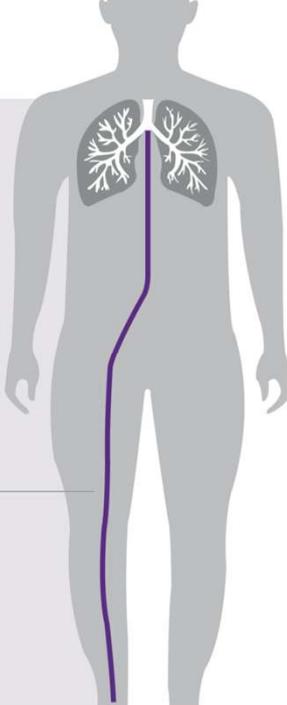
- Acute iliofemoral / ilio caval DVT \leq 2 weeks
- Low risk of bleeding
- Acute limb threatening circulatory compromise
 - (phlegmasia, venous gangrene)
- Moderate to severe symptoms of pain + swelling
- Good functional/ambulatory status
- No persistent provoked DVT risk factor



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Outcomes after Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT)

- Up to **50%** expected to develop **Post-thrombotic Syndrome (PTS)**¹
- ~90%** of PTS patients are unable to work 10 years after diagnosis²
- >10%** of PTS patients develop venous leg ulcers.³
Patients w/ severe PTS have QoL comparable to congestive heart failure or cancer⁴



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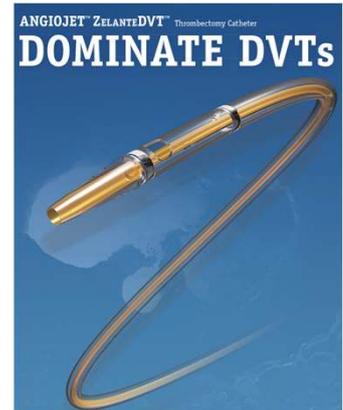
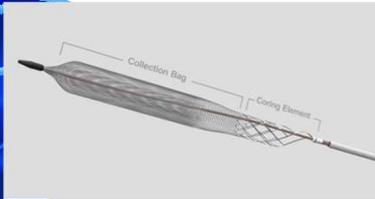
Goals of DVT intervention

- Physiological
 - Reduce swelling
 - Restore venous outflow
 - Remove thrombus
 - Address underlying compression
- Clinical Outcomes
 - Improve mortality (reduce risk of PE)
 - Improve quality of life
 - Faster recovery
 - Reduce adverse outcomes (PTS, Recurrence, PE, phlegmasia, CVI)

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Endovascular Interventions

- Pharmacomechanical thrombolysis/thrombectomy: Boston Scientific Angiojet Zelante DVT catheter
- Aspiration thrombectomy: Penumbra Indigo Lightning \pm Flash (Computer Assisted Vacuum Thrombectomy)
- Mechanical thrombectomy: Inari Medical ClotTriever
- Manage risk of pulmonary embolism
 - IVC filter?
- Intravascular Ultrasound to guide stent placement



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Case of ANGIOJET THROMBOLYSIS/THROMBECTOMY

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Clinical Case

- 70 Female
- PMH
 - IHD on clopidogrel
 - Hypertension
 - Hyperlipidaemia
- Stopped clopidogrel in preparation for colonoscopy
- Severe left hip to LL pain + swelling x 2 days

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Patent IVC and (L) CIV.

Acute deep venous thrombosis partially occluding the (L) EIV, CFV to SFV.

No evidence of thrombosis in the (L) popliteal vein.

No evidence of thrombosis in the (L) posterior tibial and peroneal veins.

Rheological stasis in the (L) lower limb.

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TEMS



Operative Steps

- GA Supine
- Left ankle PTV USG micropuncture
 - 5Fr sheath
 - 6Fr sheath if need to Angiojet Pop to PTV
- Cross from PTV to CIV lesion to IVC
 - 4Fr BER2 / CXI catheter
 - Terumo 0.035" glidewire
 - Amplatz/Supracore 0.035" wire

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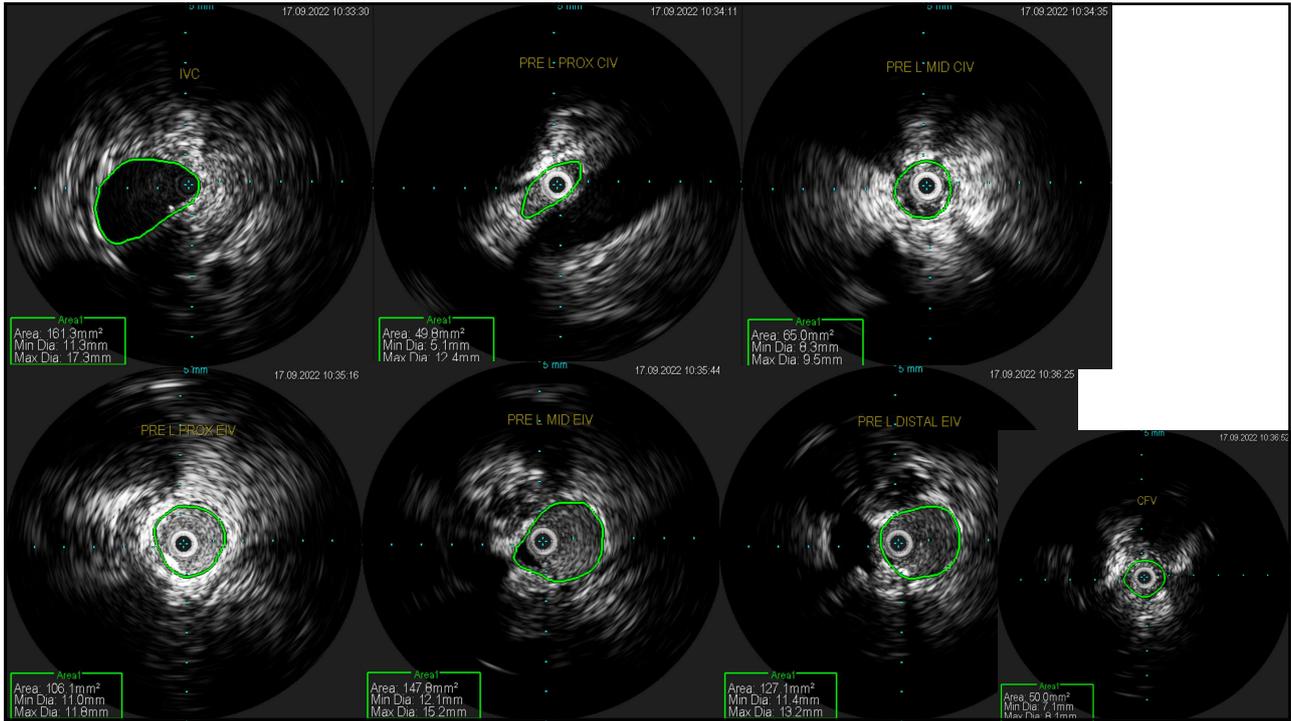
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Operative Steps

- Right CFV USG puncture
 - 6Fr sheath
 - Preclose Proglide
 - IVC sheath + filter insertion e.g. Bard Denali
- Left thigh FV puncture
 - 5Fr sheath (look for Suprawire)
 - Preclose Proglide
 - 9-10Fr sheath
- IVUS

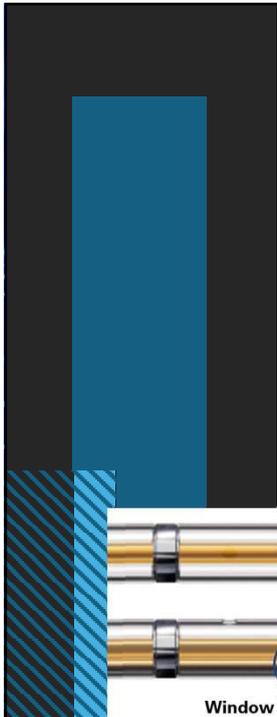
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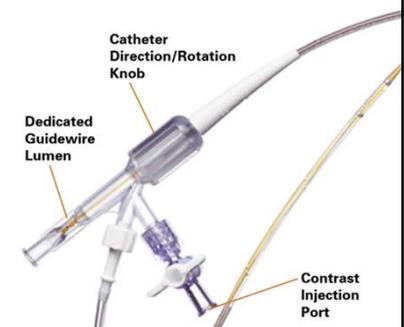
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Operative Steps

- PowerPulse Thrombolysis using Angiojet ZelanteDVT
 - 2 passes minimum – remember to change the catheter facing
 - Dwell time 15-20 minutes
- Rheolytic thrombectomy
 - 240 seconds run time with k
 - 480 total run time



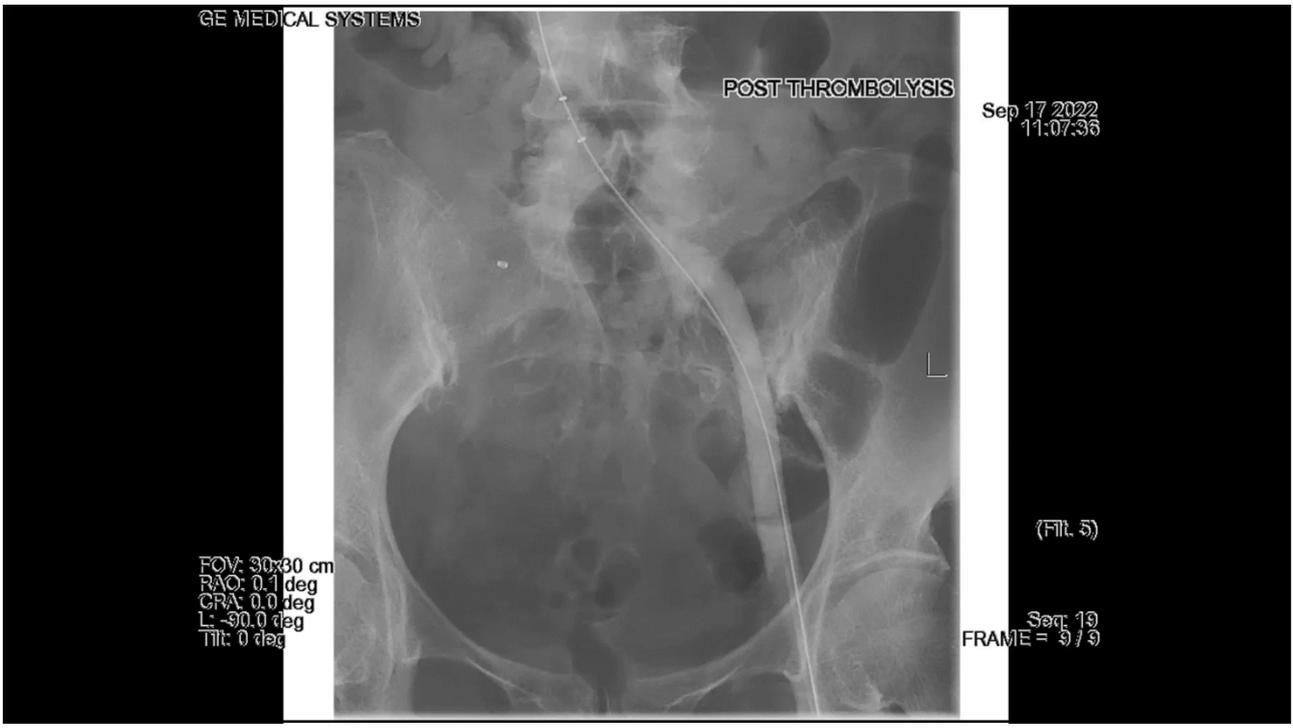
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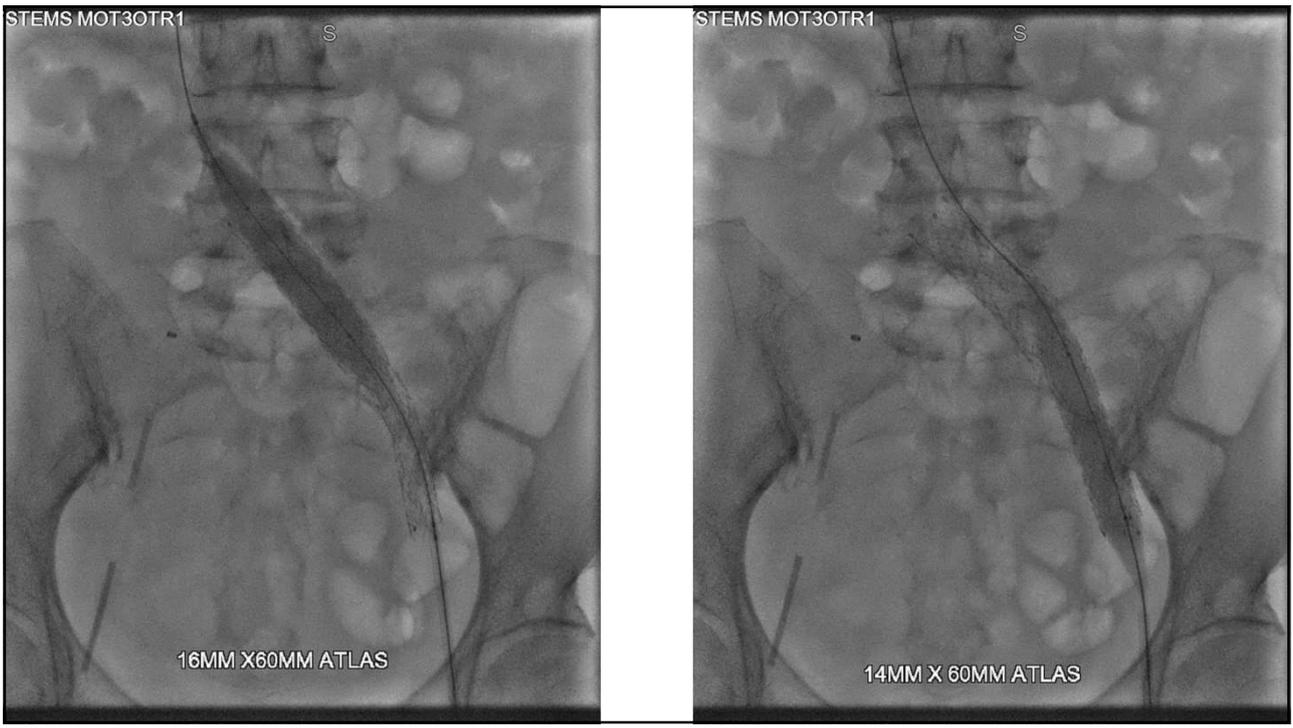
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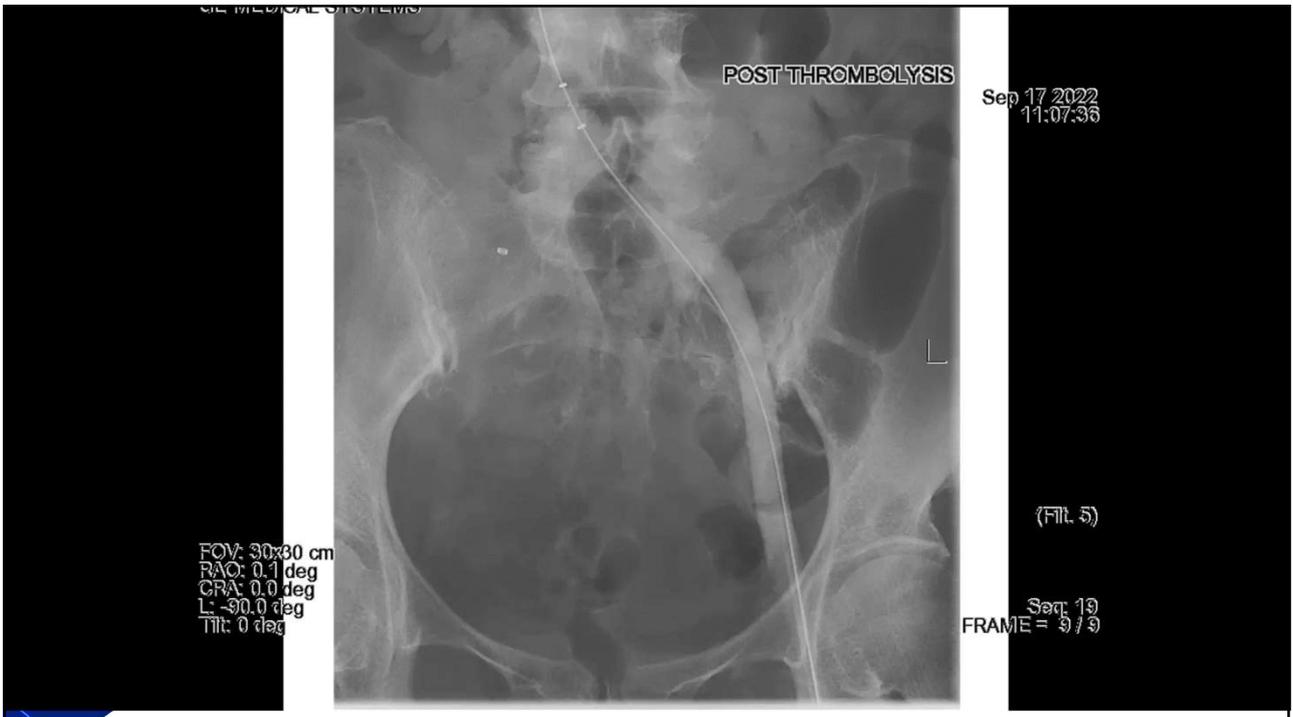
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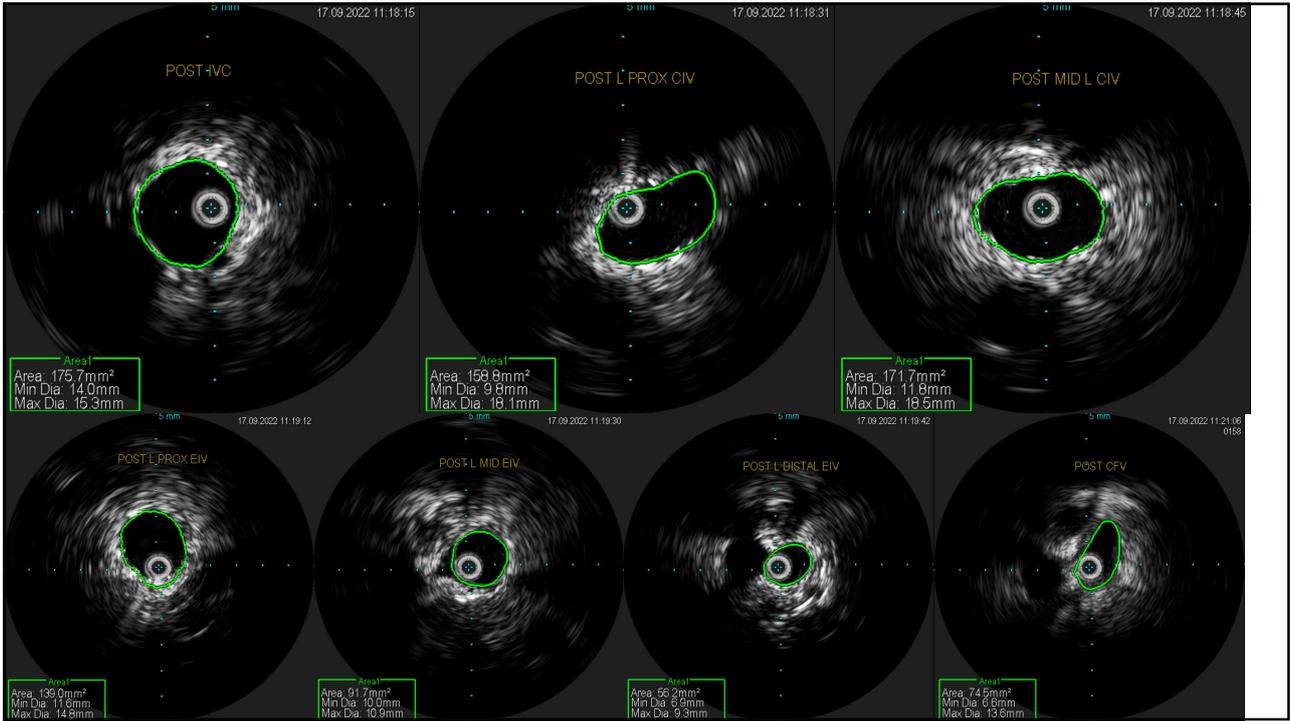
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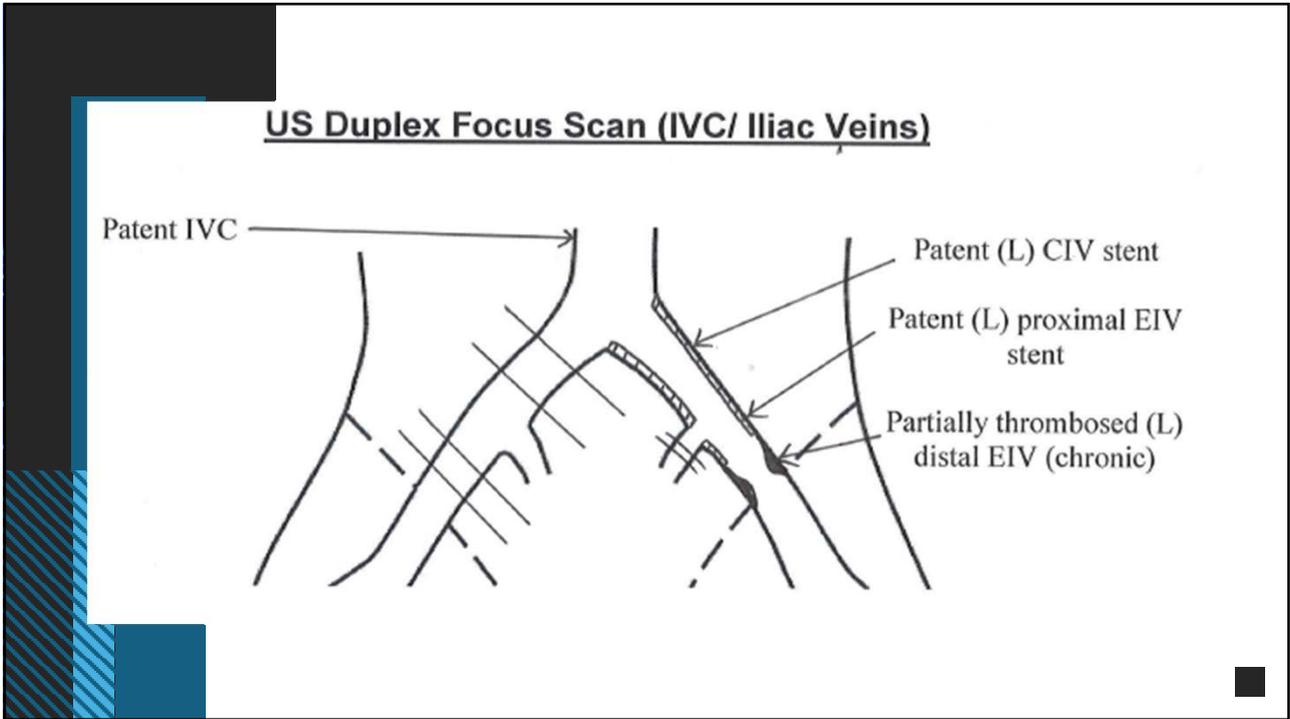
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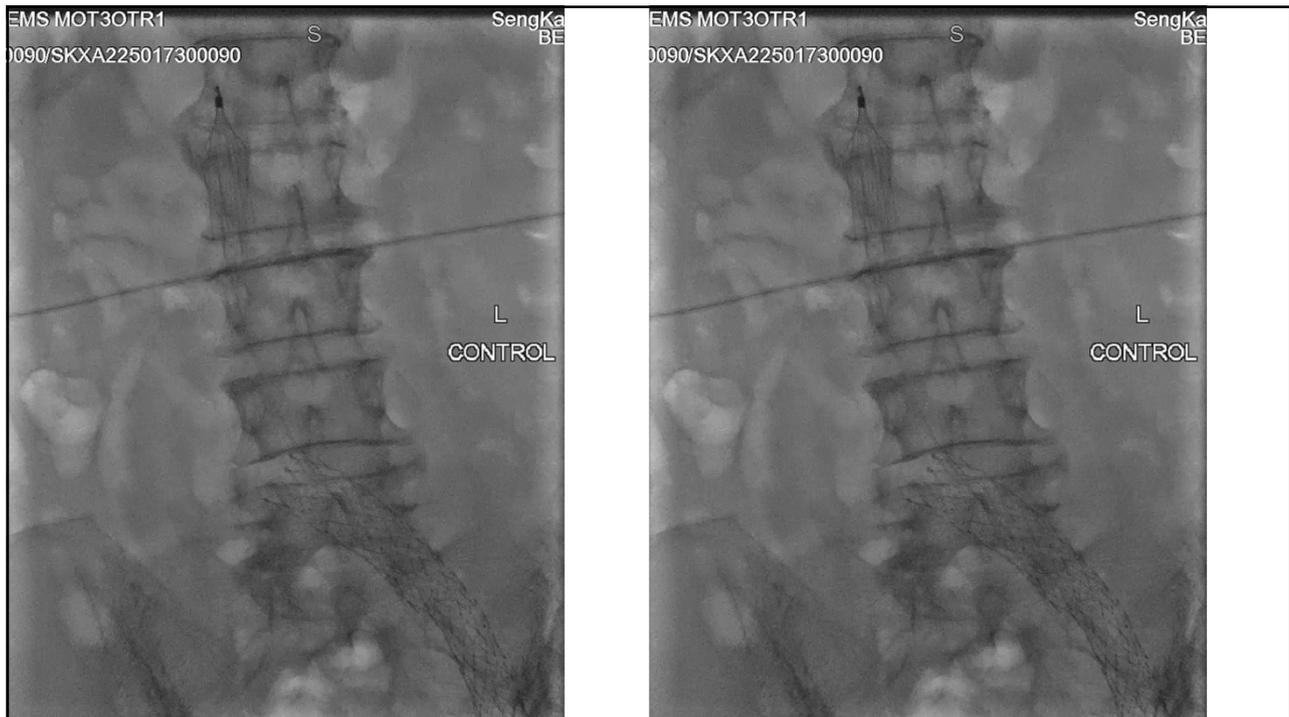
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Postoperative Day 0 + 1

- Compression bandaging of affected leg
- Calf compressors over compression bandaging
- IV hydration 2-2.5L/day
- Warn staff of urine appearing dark reddish brown due to haemolysis / haemoglobinuria
- DOAC postop

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MECHANICAL THROMBECTOMY

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Postoperative

- Ultrasound surveillance of iliac vein stent (ESVS 2022 Guidelines)
 - POD1 as baseline
 - 2 weeks → 6 weeks → 3 month → 6 month → Yearly
- Schedule IVC filter retrieval at 1 month mark based

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Postoperative

- Anticoagulation
 - DOAC 6 months minimum
- Ultrasound surveillance of iliac vein stent (ESVS 2022 Guidelines)
 - POD1 as baseline
 - 2 weeks → 6 weeks → 3 month → 6 month → Yearly

Recommendation 75

Patients undergoing iliofemoral venous stenting for deep venous disease should be considered for an individualised antithrombotic regimen considering the risk of bleeding associated with more aggressive antithrombotic strategies.

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Question & Answer

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Clinical Case

- 59 Female
- Left LL DVT 15 years ago – warfarin anticoagulation
- Left lower limb chronic venous insufficiency C6
- S/P Left iliac vein bare metal stenting 3 years ago
- S/P Left lower limb Venaseal ablation 1 year ago

p/w
 Right LL pain, swelling, bluish discoloration x 3 days
 Left LL chronic venous ulcer x months

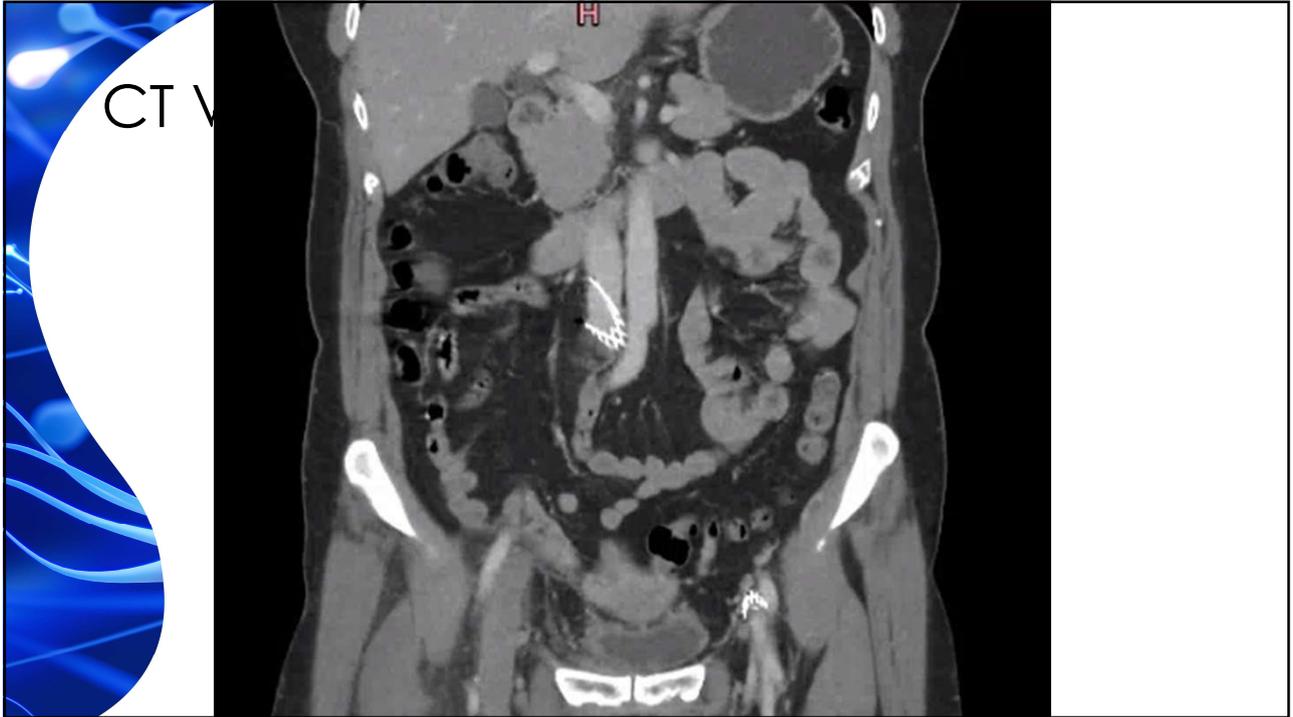
Diagnosis:

Right LL phlegmasia cerulea dolens due to acute on chronic iliofemoral DVT
 Left LL C6 chronic venous insufficiency due to in-stent restenosis (ISR) or in-stent occlusion (ISO)

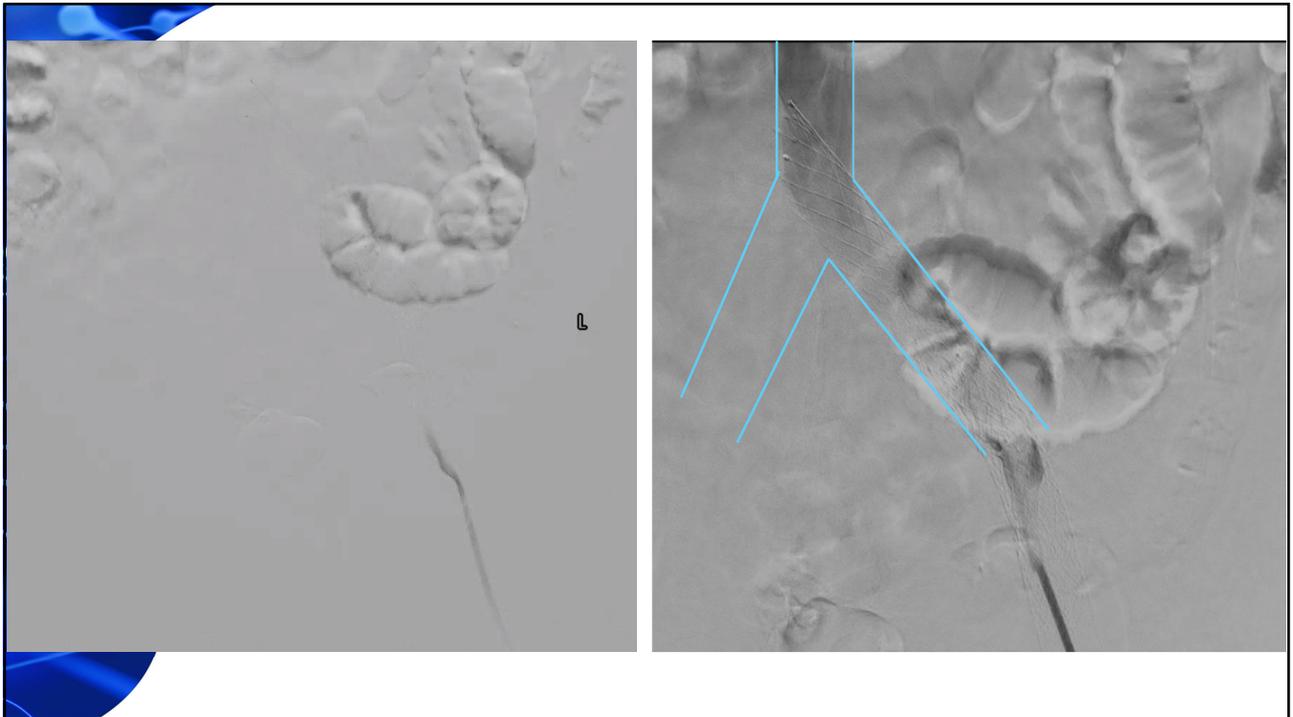
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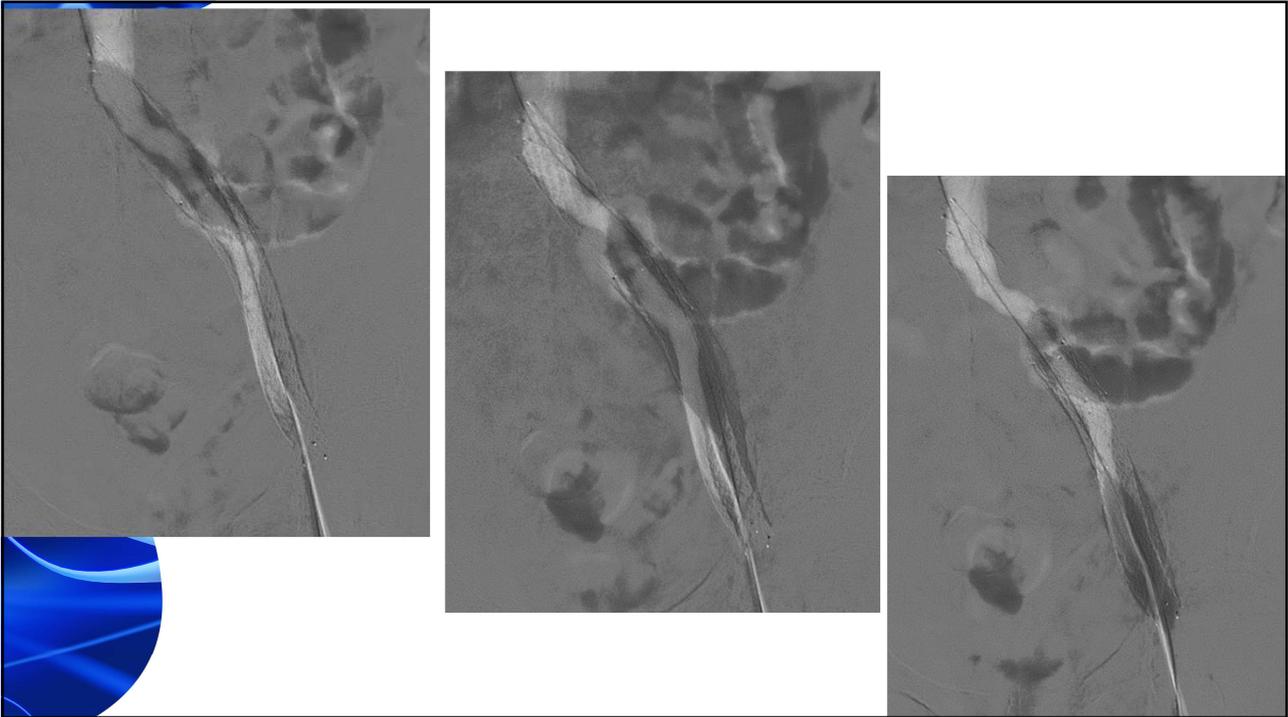
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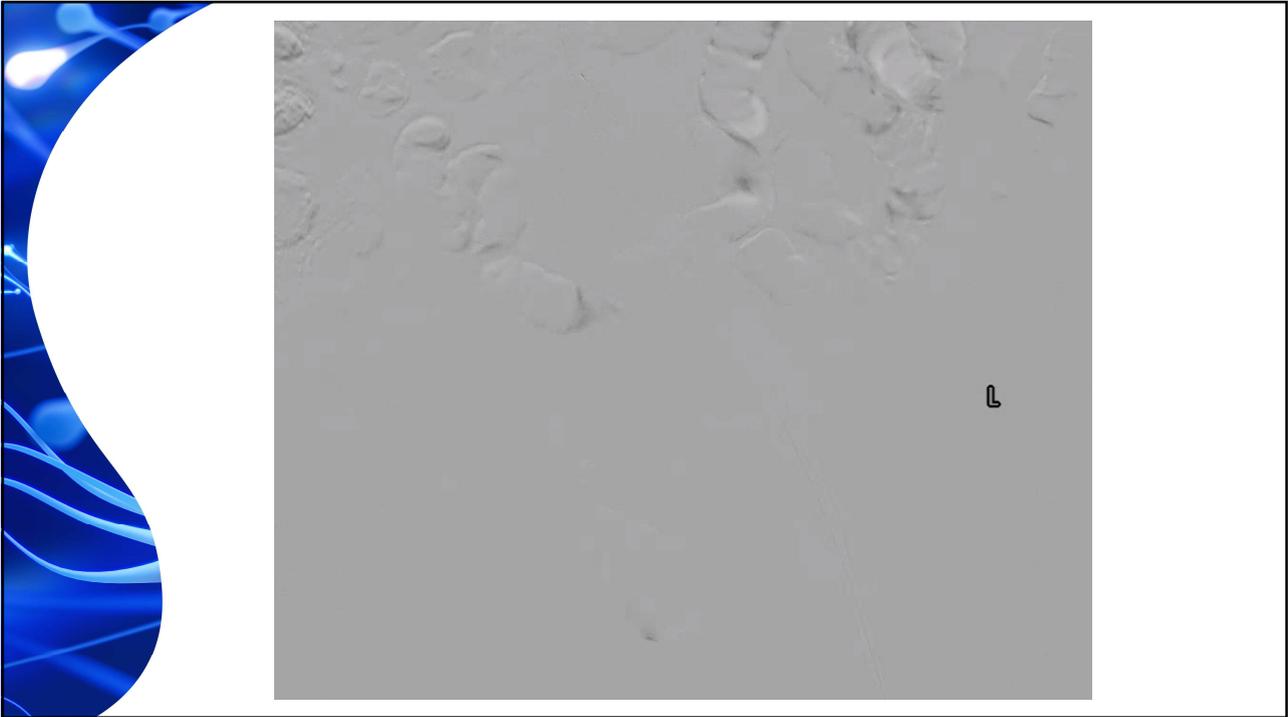
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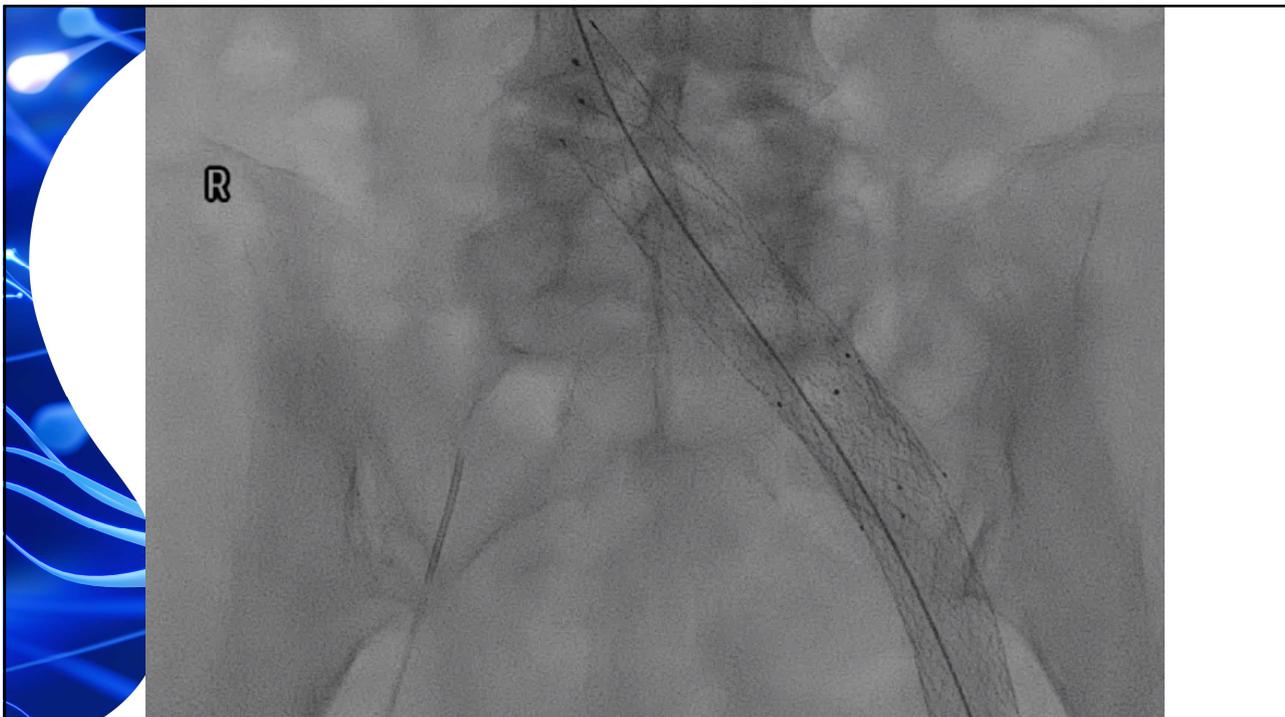
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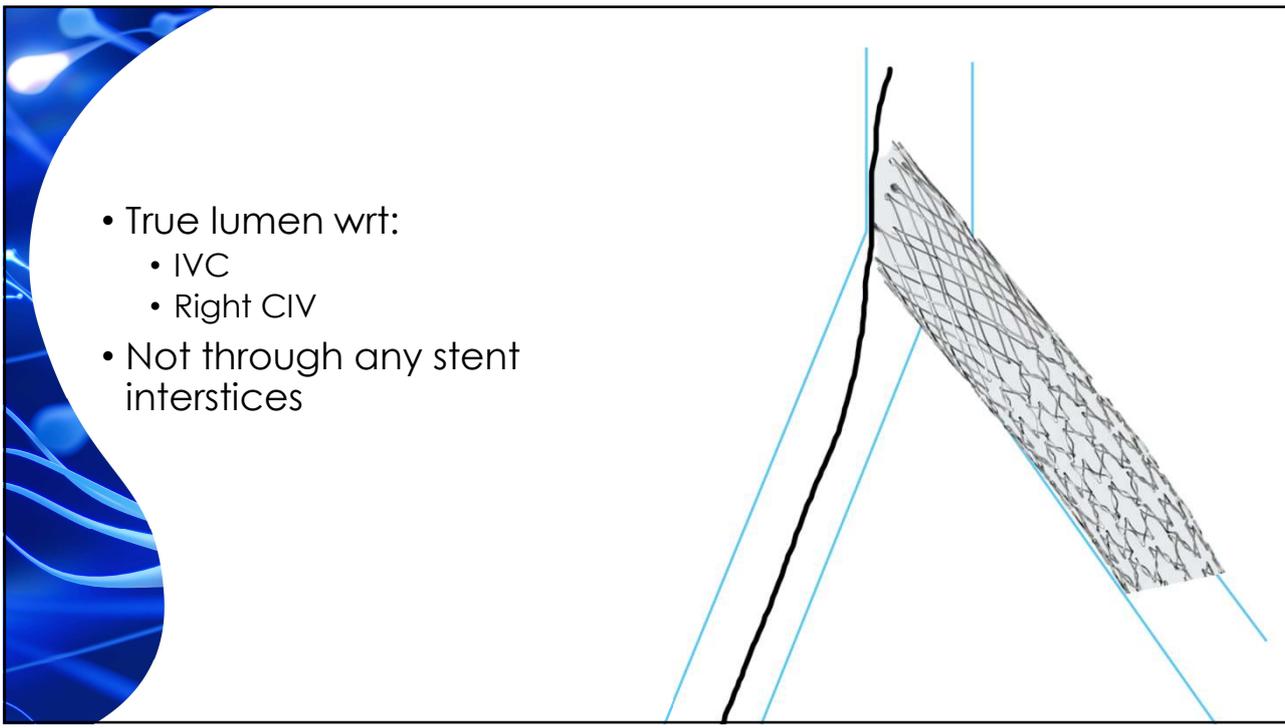
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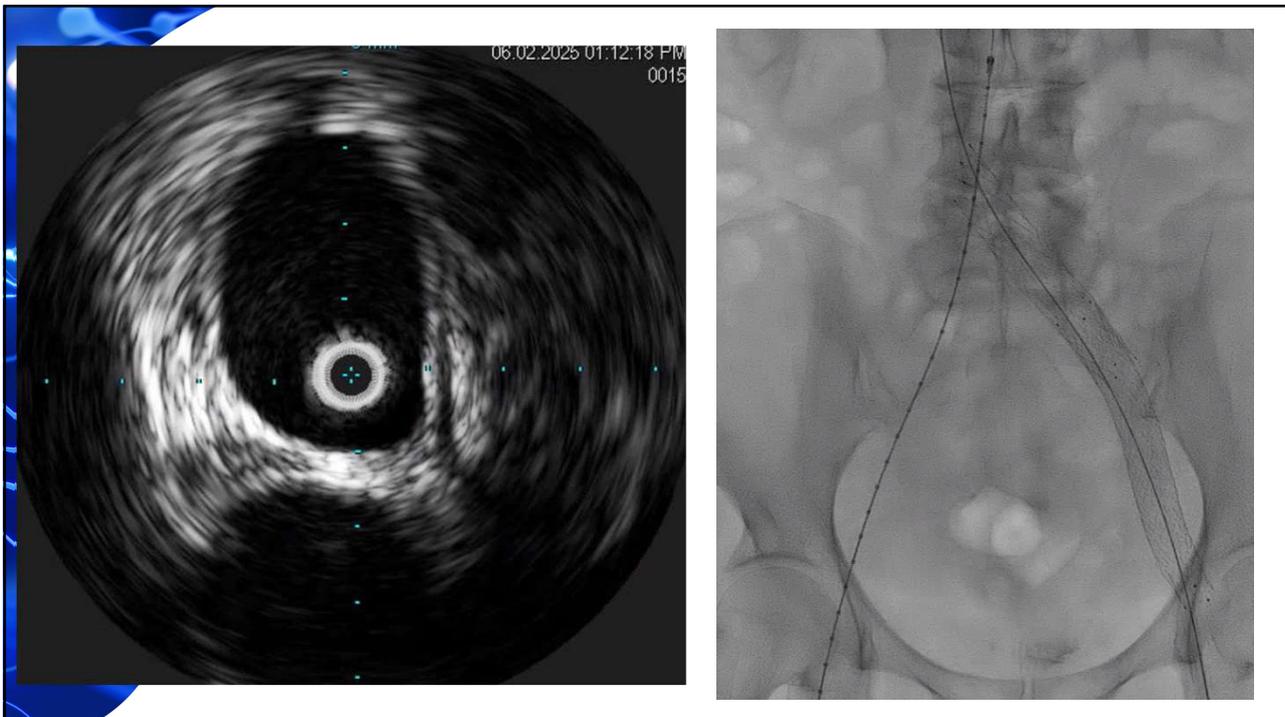
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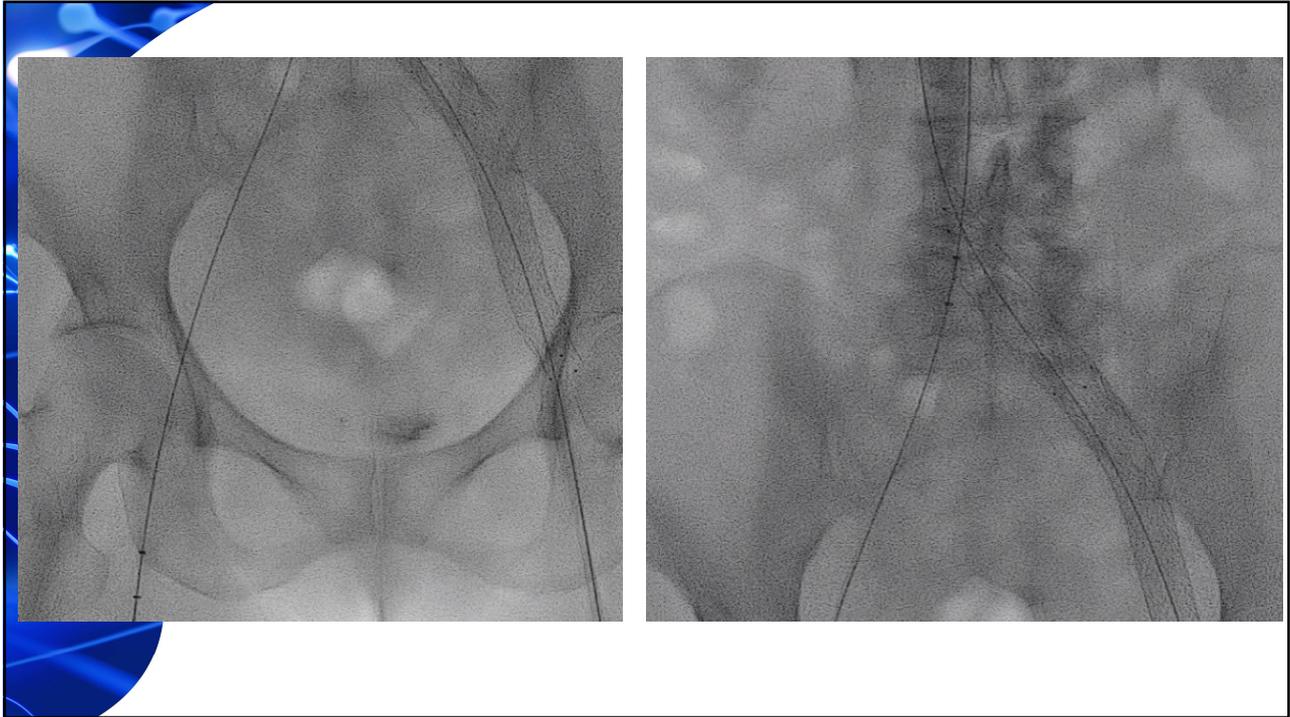
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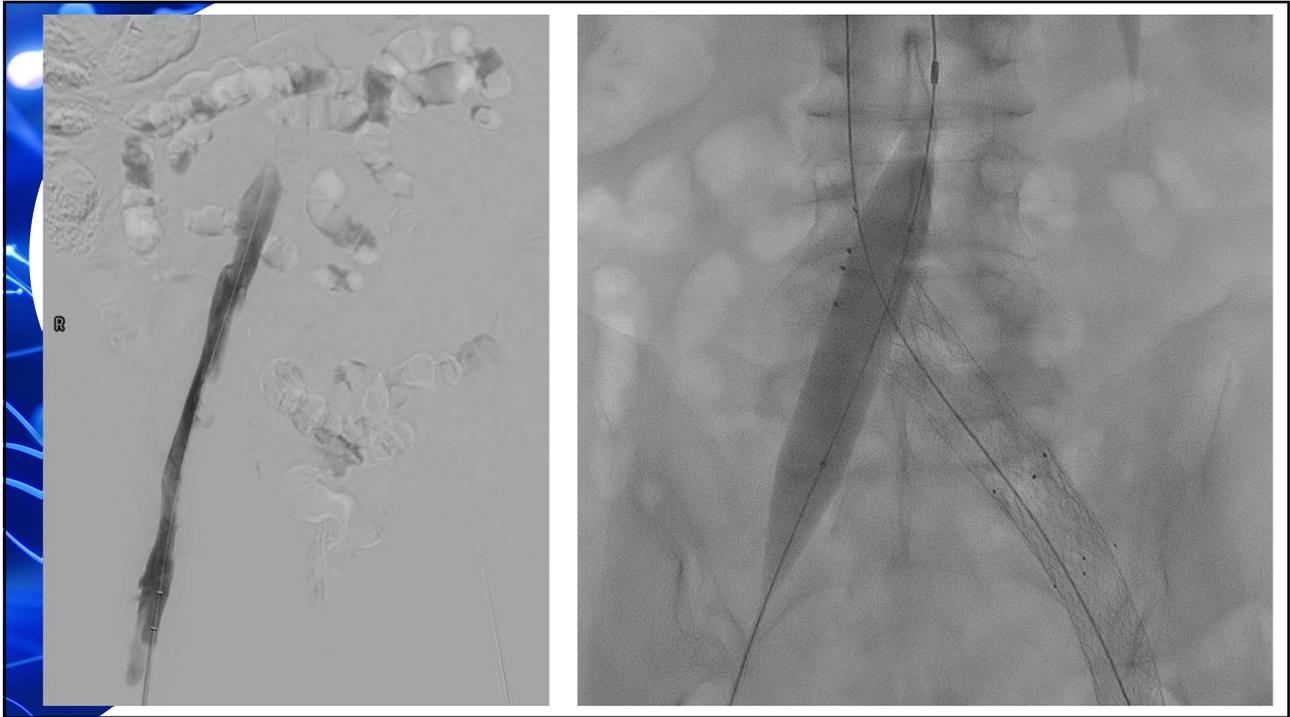
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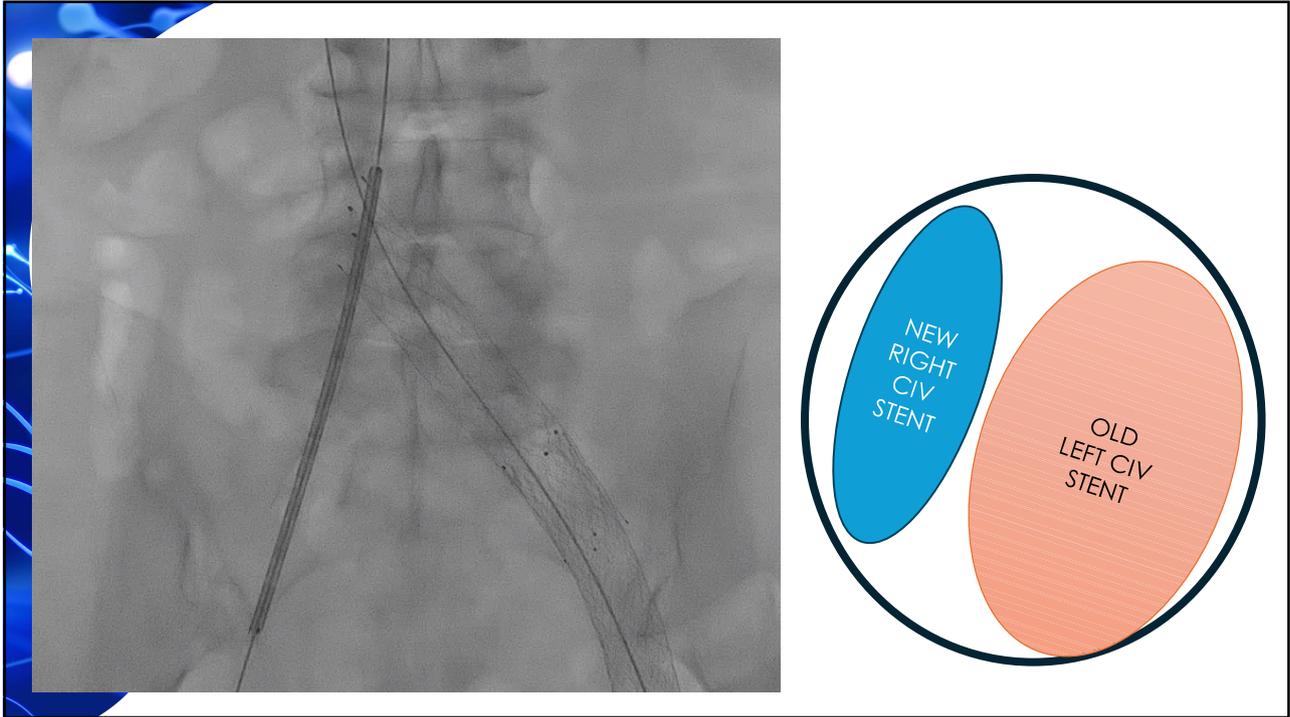
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