



PDA and RVOT Stenting: Who Needs an AP Shunt?

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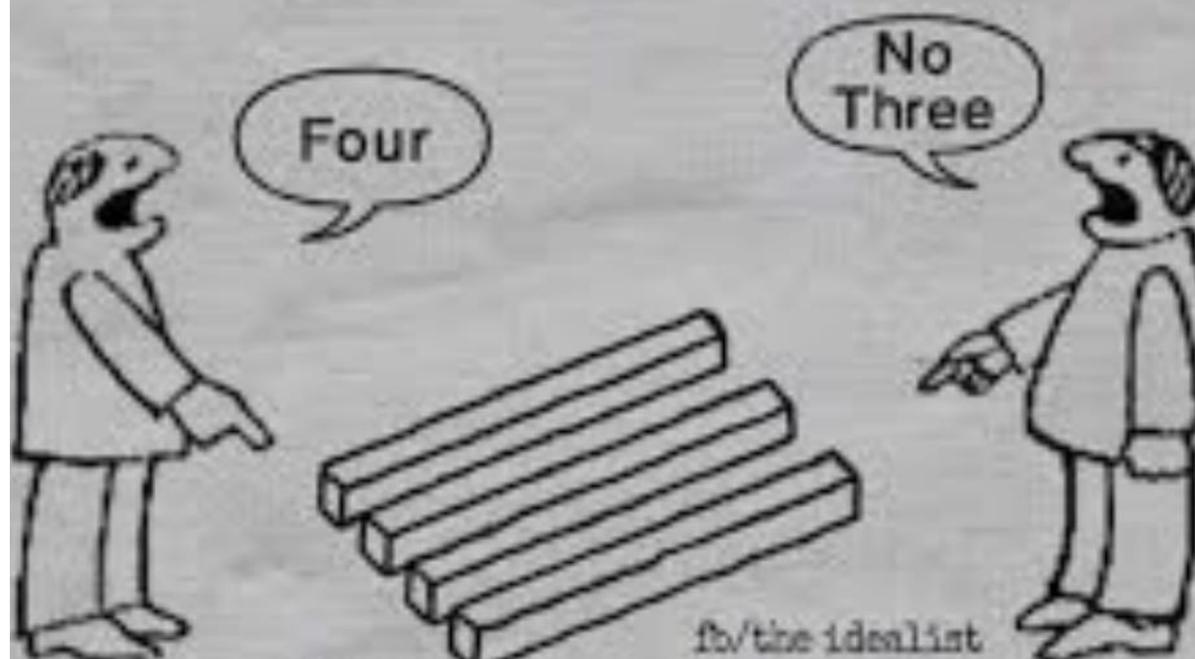
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"Everything we hear
is an opinion, not a fact.
Everything we see
is a perspective, not the truth."

- Marcus Aurelius





PDA and RVOT Stenting (in symptomatic neonates): Who Needs an AP Shunt? (nearly everyone and perhaps no-one)

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Questions

- Do we have a good indication?
- What are we trying to achieve?
- Do we have the expertise?
- What is the best approach?
- What patient specific factors need to be considered?

4 Types of Interventions

Well Indicated

Well Executed

Poorly Indicated

Well Executed

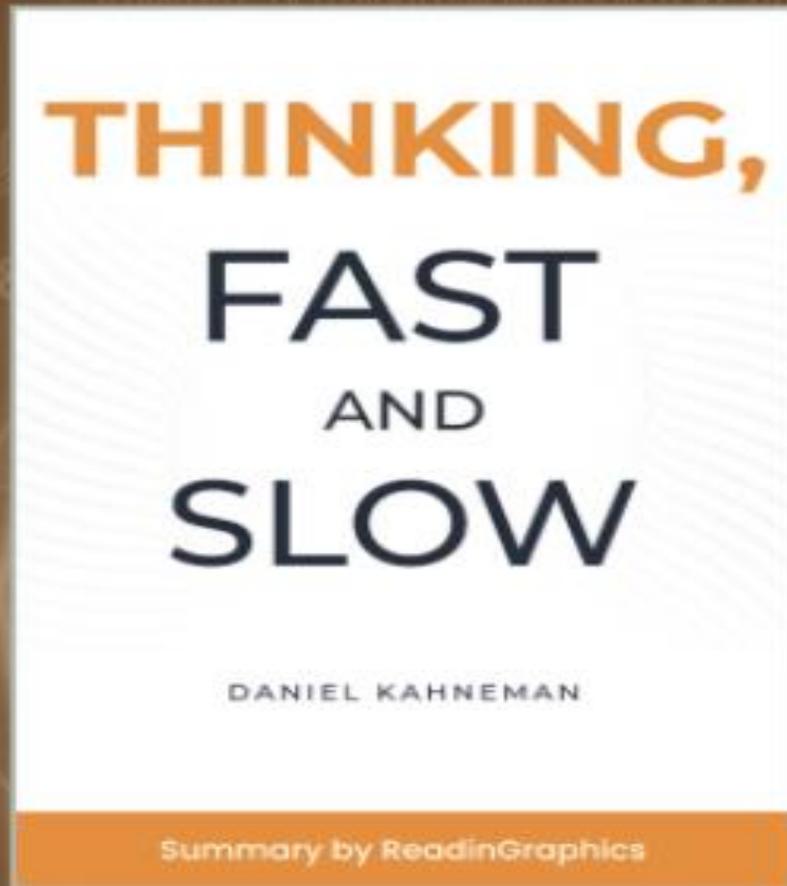
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Decision Making



Thinking, Fast and Slow

Book Summary

"We humans constantly fool ourselves by constructing flimsy accounts of the past and believing they are true."

- Daniel Kahneman



READINGGRAPHICS
Ideas Come Alive

Cognitive Traps in Decision Making

- **Heuristics**

unconscious routines we use to enable us to cope with the complexity inherent in decision making

- Pattern Recognition on Angiography

- Countered by Systematic Disciplined Approach

- **Biases**

- Recommendations for Procedure
- Timing
- Borderline Indications
- Emergency Situations
 - Systems 1 Thinking
 - Systems 2 Thinking

- Simulation

Pediatr Cardiol (2018) 39:160–167

Pediatr Cardiol (2018) 39:1281–1289



The greatest threats to complex systems are the result of human
rather than technical failures.



Indications

Neonate	COR	LOE
<p>For the symptomatic neonate with TOF where a decision has been made to perform a palliative surgical procedure, strategies to provide adequate pulmonary blood flow may reasonably include a systemic-to-pulmonary shunt, a right ventricular outflow tract patch, and a right ventricle-to-pulmonary artery conduit.</p>	IIa	C-EO



Indications

AHA Scientific Statement

Indications for Cardiac Catheterization and Intervention in Pediatric Cardiac Disease

A Scientific Statement From the American Heart Association

*Endorsed by the American Academy of Pediatrics and Society for Cardiovascular Angiography
and Intervention*

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RVOT Stenting Indications

General Indications

- General considerations:
 - Indications that should strongly be considered:
 - High-risk symptomatic infants requiring pulmonary blood flow augmentation in the setting of tetralogy of Fallot or variants of RVOTO with VSD.
 - Indications that may be considered:
 - Standard risk symptomatic infants with tetralogy of Fallot or variants of RVOTO with VSD.
 - Standard risk asymptomatic infants with tetralogy of Fallot or variants of RVOTO with VSD with severe branch pulmonary stenosis (pulmonary artery z-score < -3)
- Procedure specific considerations:
 - A transcatheter approach should be strongly considered:
 - In high-risk infants who are poor candidates for either primary repair or surgical systemic to pulmonary shunting following discussion in a multidisciplinary team setting in conjunction with cardiothoracic surgery.

Age specific considerations

- In infants <2kgs, a hybrid transventricular approach to RVOT stenting maybe considered.

Regional considerations

- Transcatheter therapy could be considered in patients in resource limited environments where access to surgical therapy may not be available.

Potential harm or lack of benefit

- Asymptomatic infants with tetralogy of Fallot or variants
- Malposed great arteries with mitral-pulmonary continuity
- Coronary artery compression



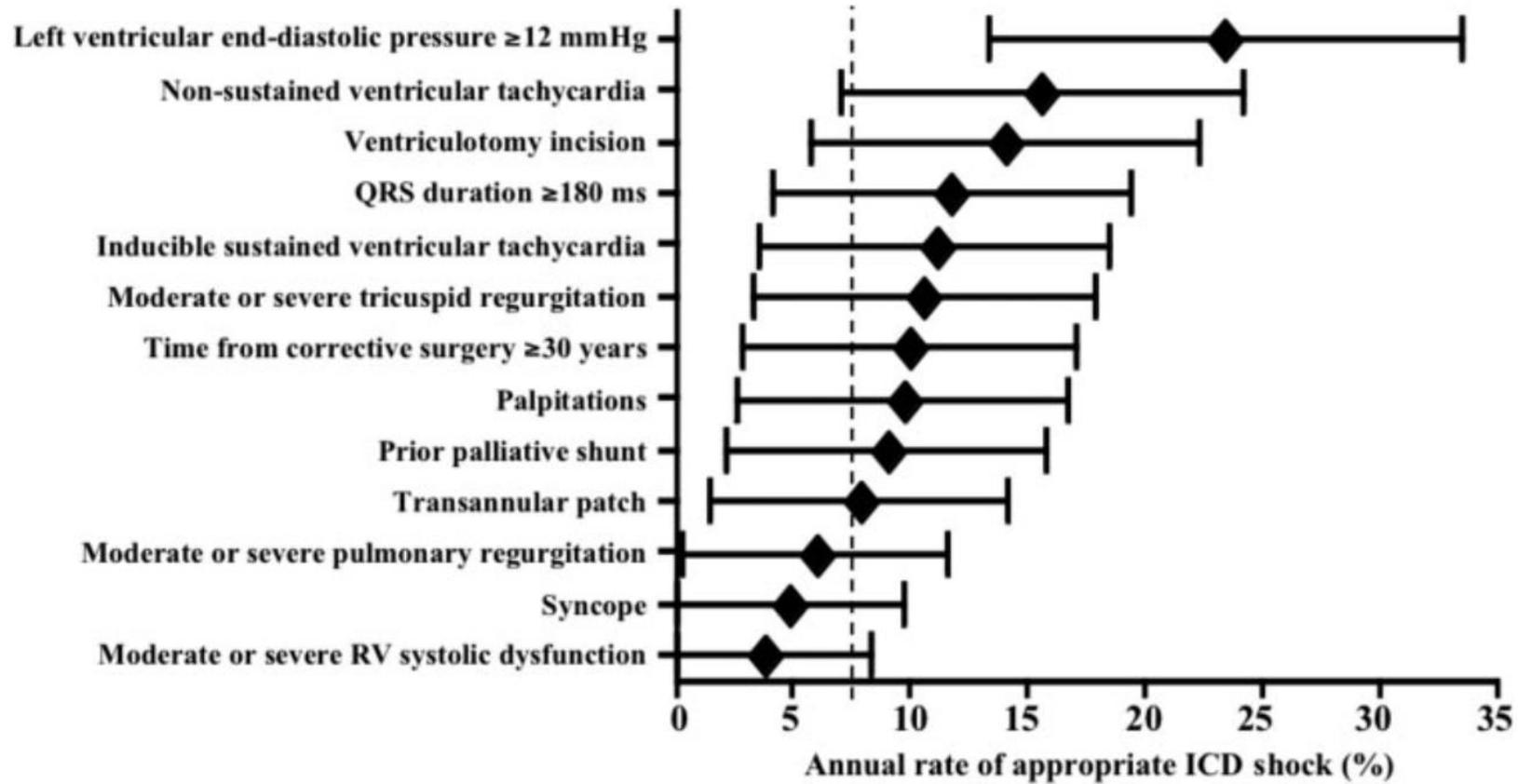
What Are We Trying to Achieve?

- Secure acceptable pulmonary blood flow
- Lowest possible 30 Day Mortality
- Branch pulmonary artery growth
- Low Reintervention Rates
- Preservation of native pulmonary valve
- Minimal PA Distortion
- Healthcare Costs/Resources?
- Longer-term Goals
 - Longest Event/Symptom Free survival
 - Least possible number of Re-interventions



Lifetime Management

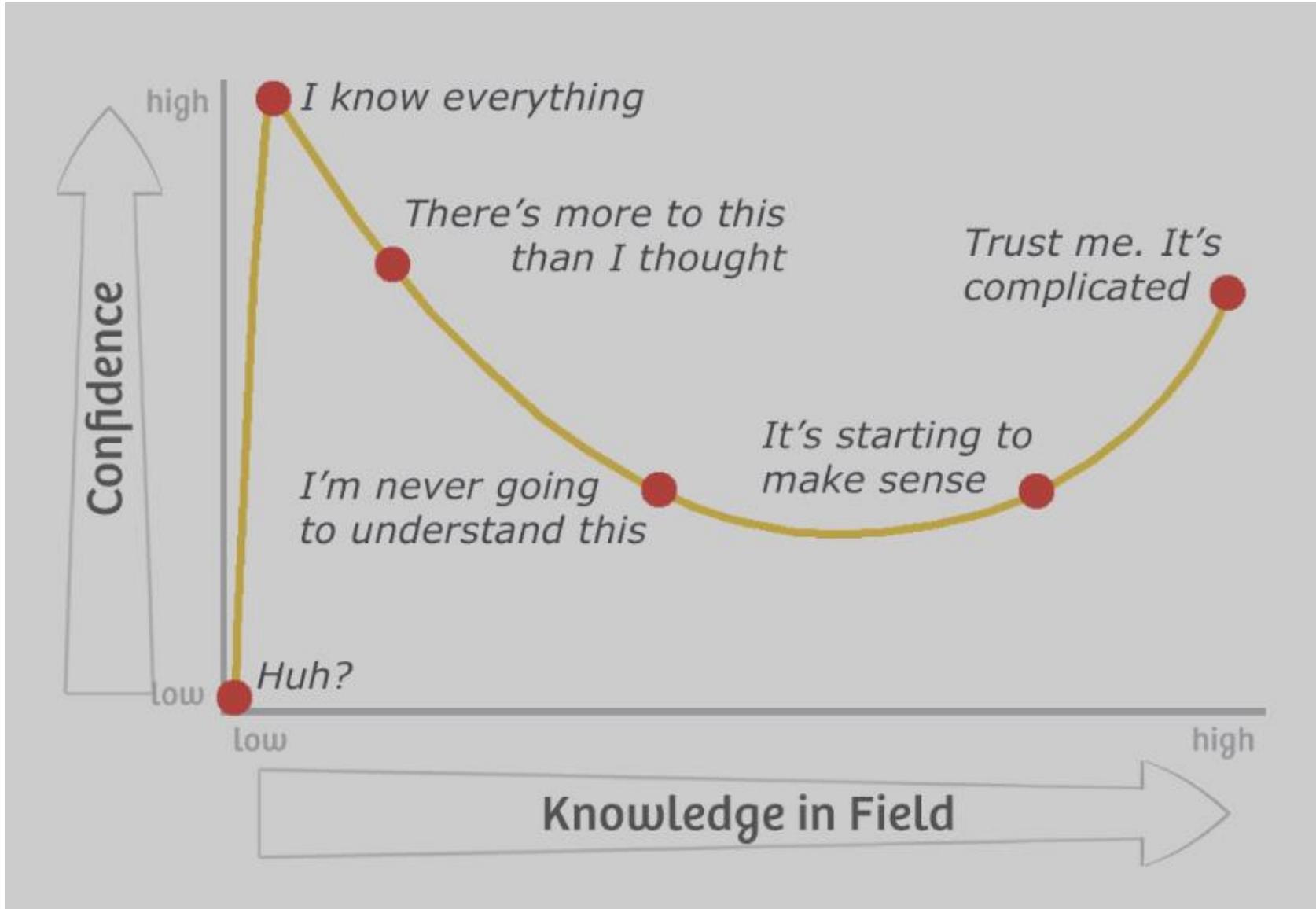


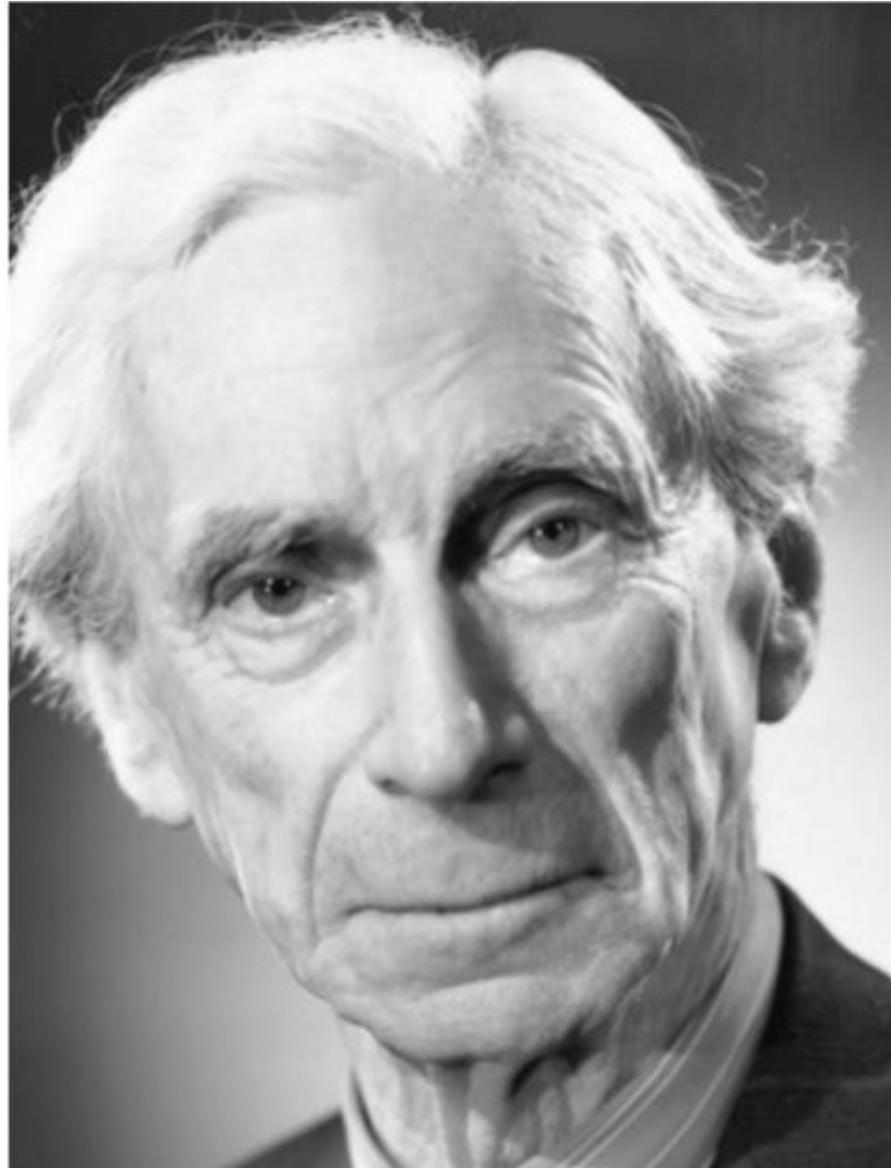




Do We Have the Expertise?







The degree of one's emotions varies
inversely with one's knowledge of
the facts - the less you know the
hotter you get.

— *Bertrand Russell* —

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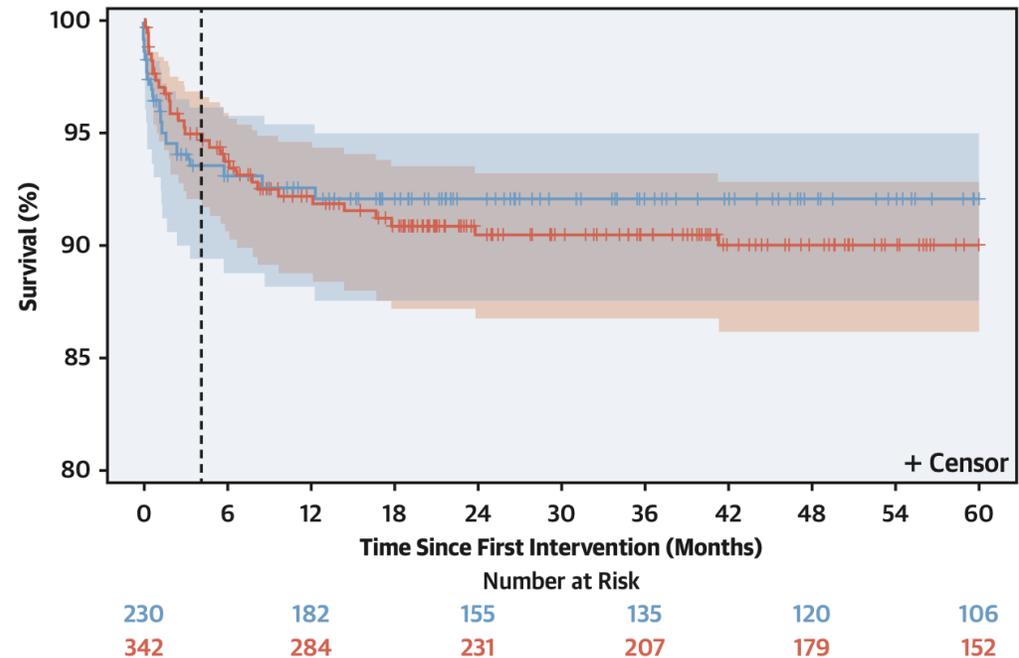
What Is the Best Approach?

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Comparison of Management Strategies for Neonates With Symptomatic Tetralogy of Fallot

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Freedom From the Primary Outcome of Death Based on Treatment Strategy





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Staged vs Complete Repair in Tetralogy of Fallot With Pulmonary Atresia



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Congenital heart disease

Original research article

Primary repair versus surgical and transcatheter palliation in infants with tetralogy of Fallot

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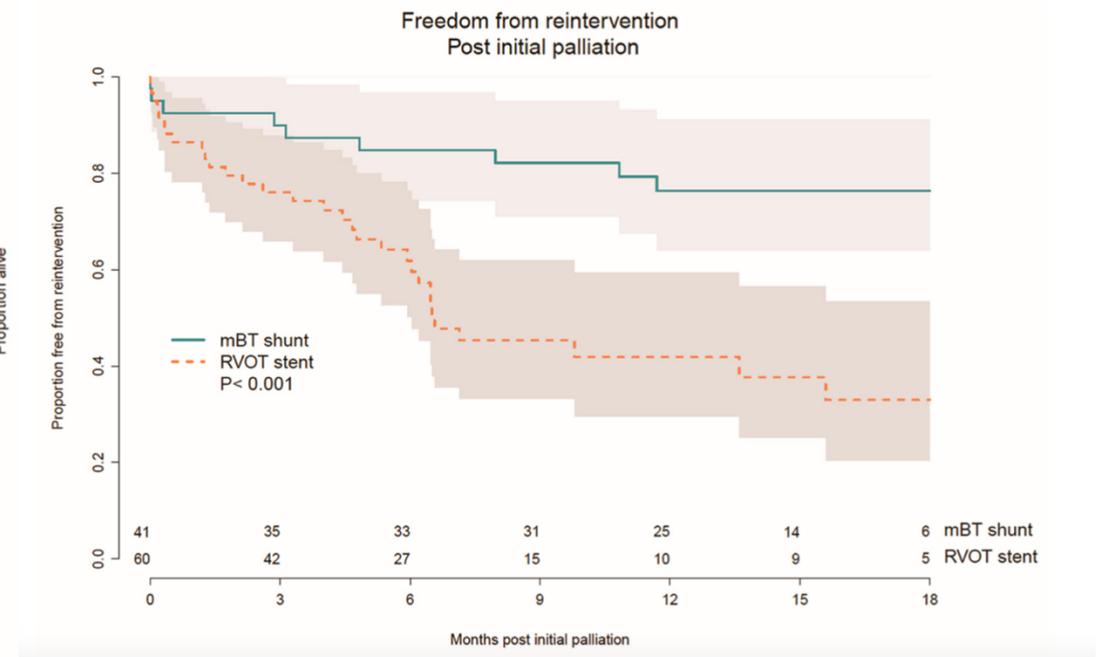
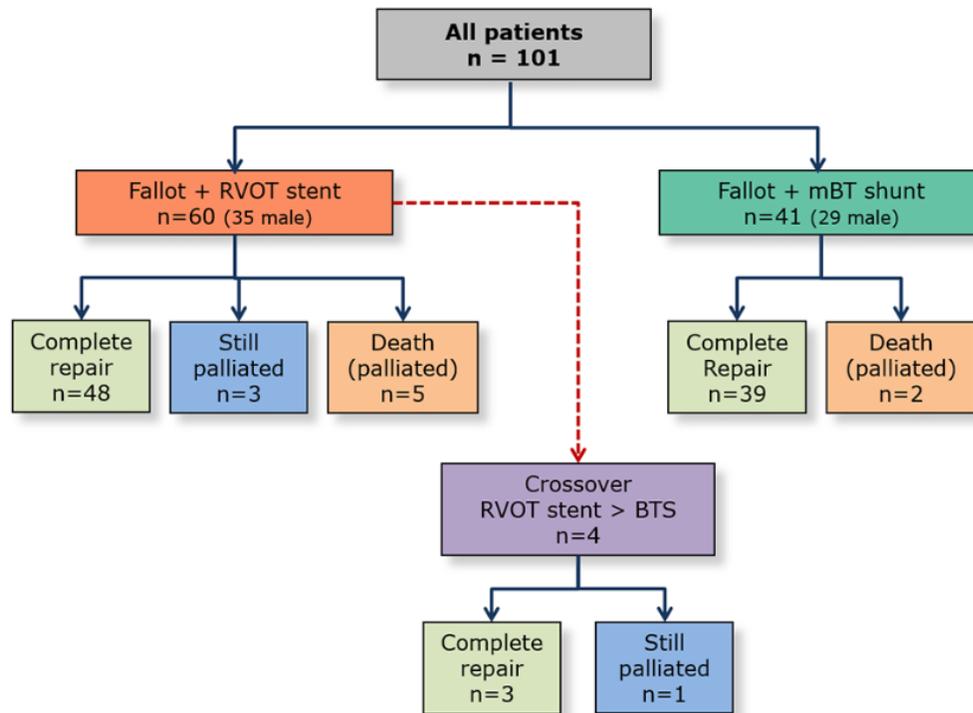
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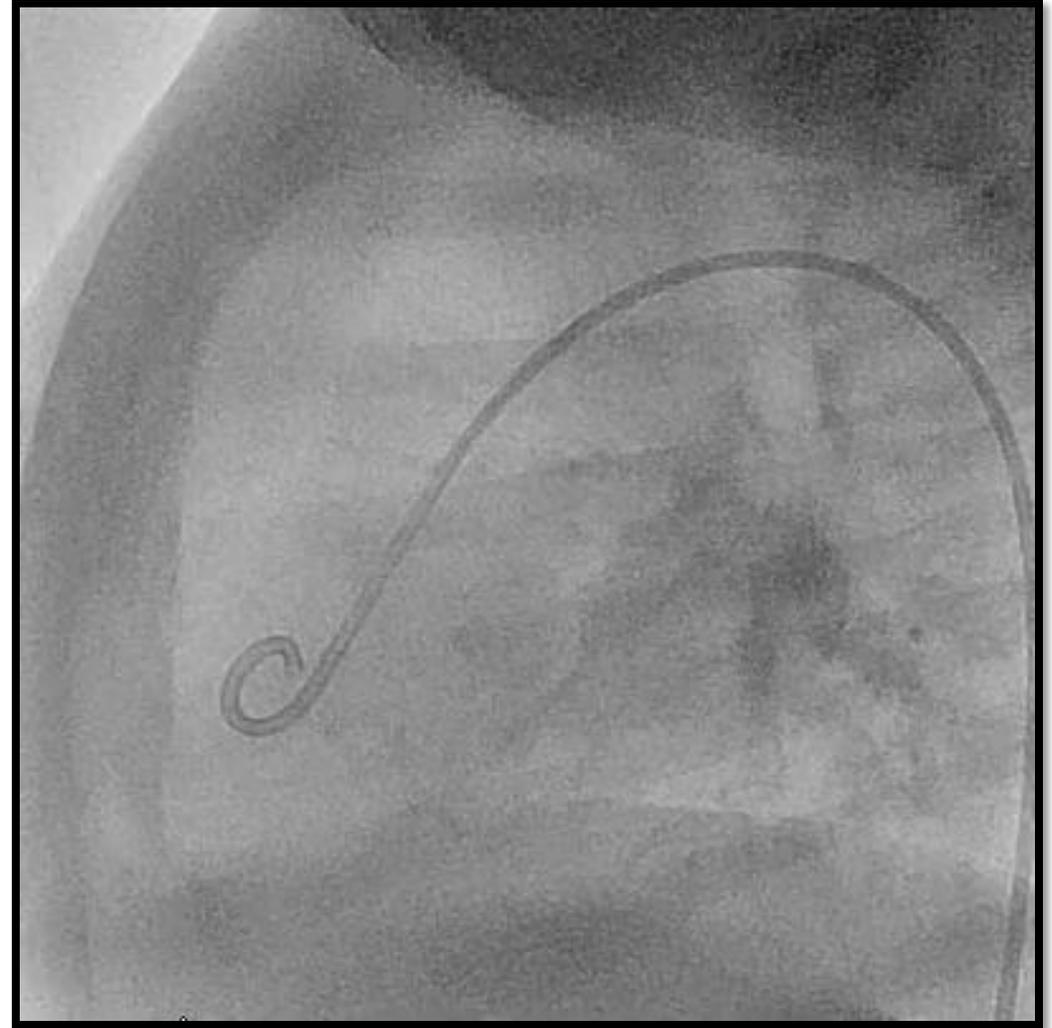
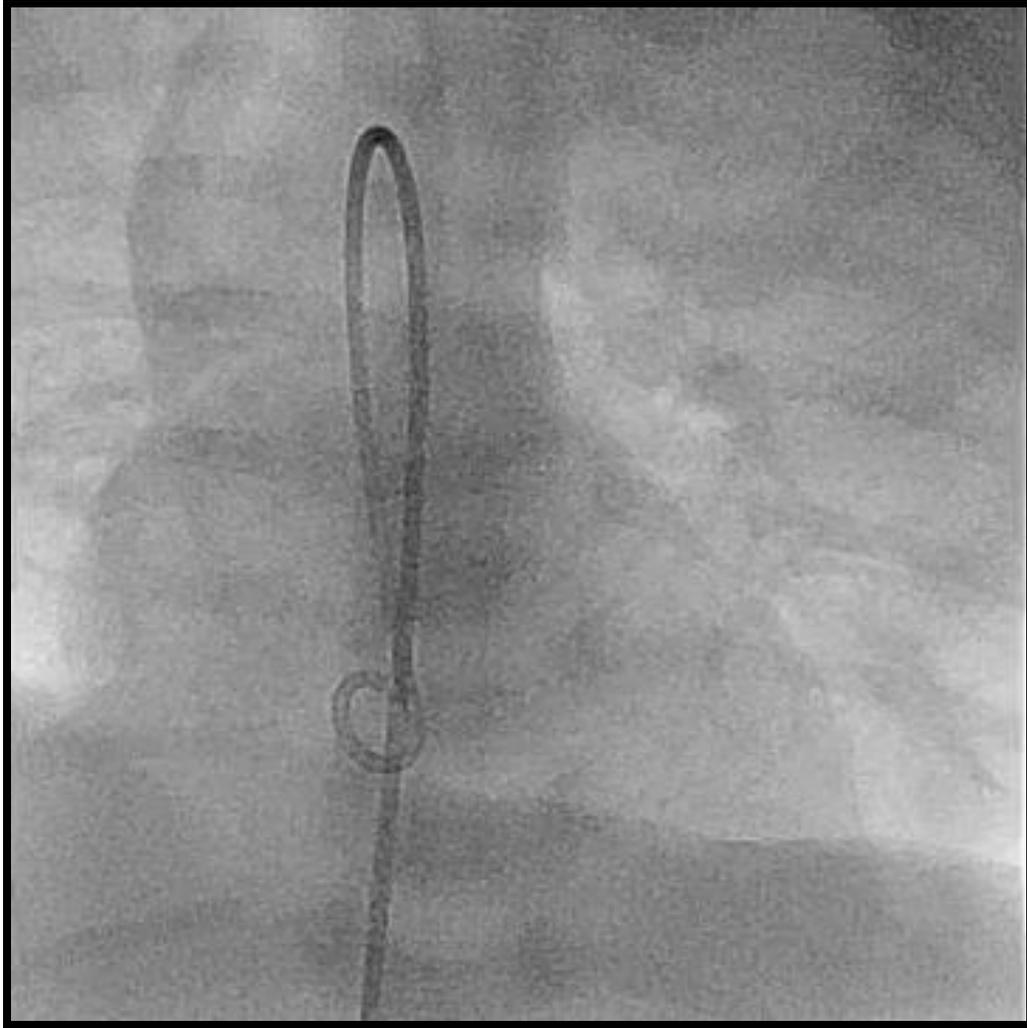
Right ventricular outflow tract stent versus BT shunt palliation in Tetralogy of Fallot

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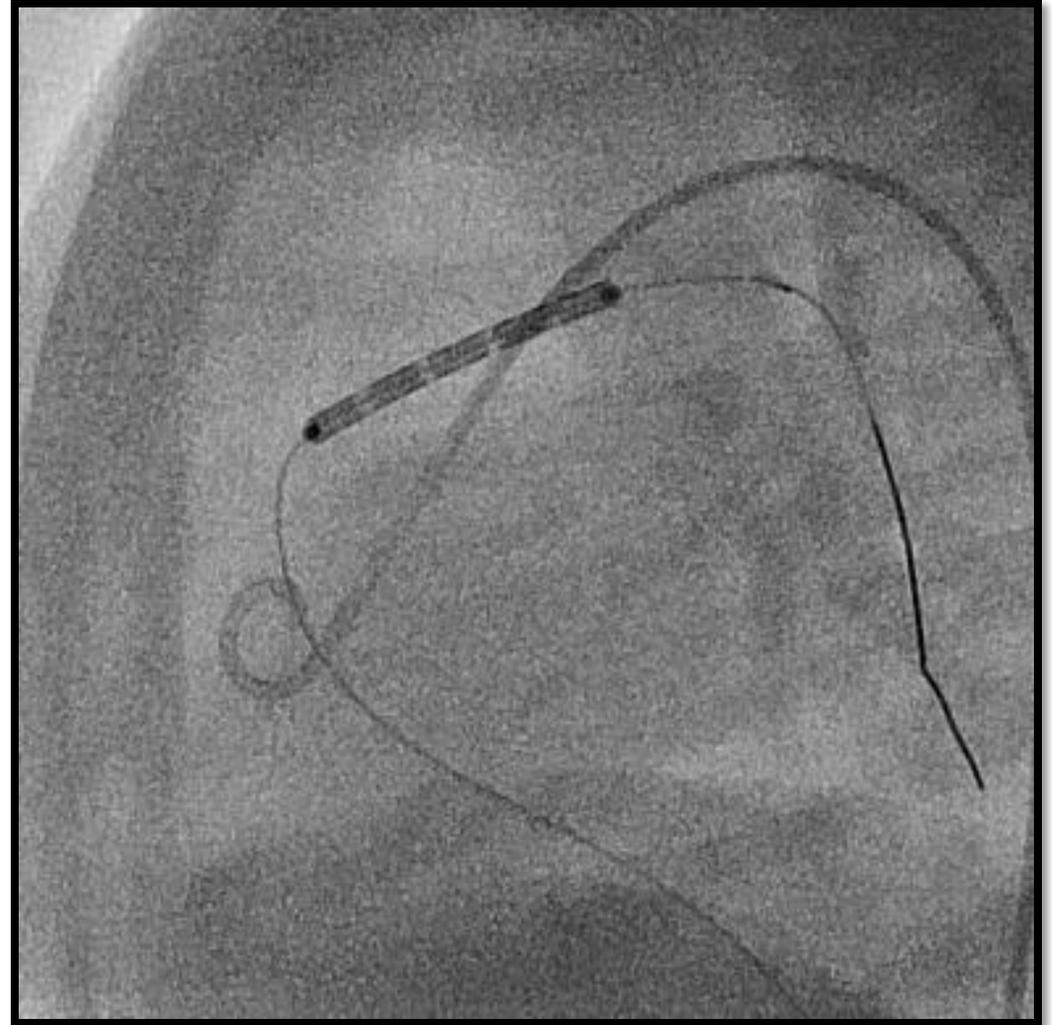
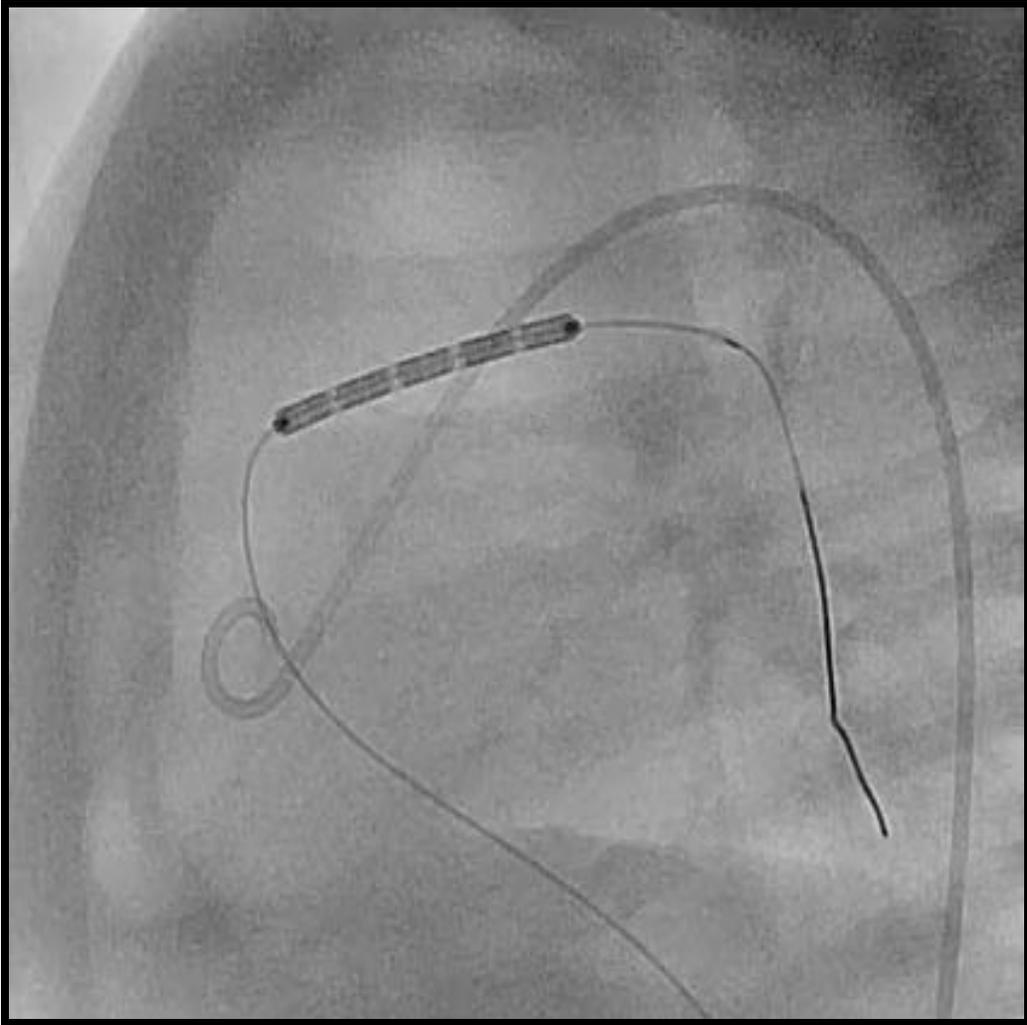


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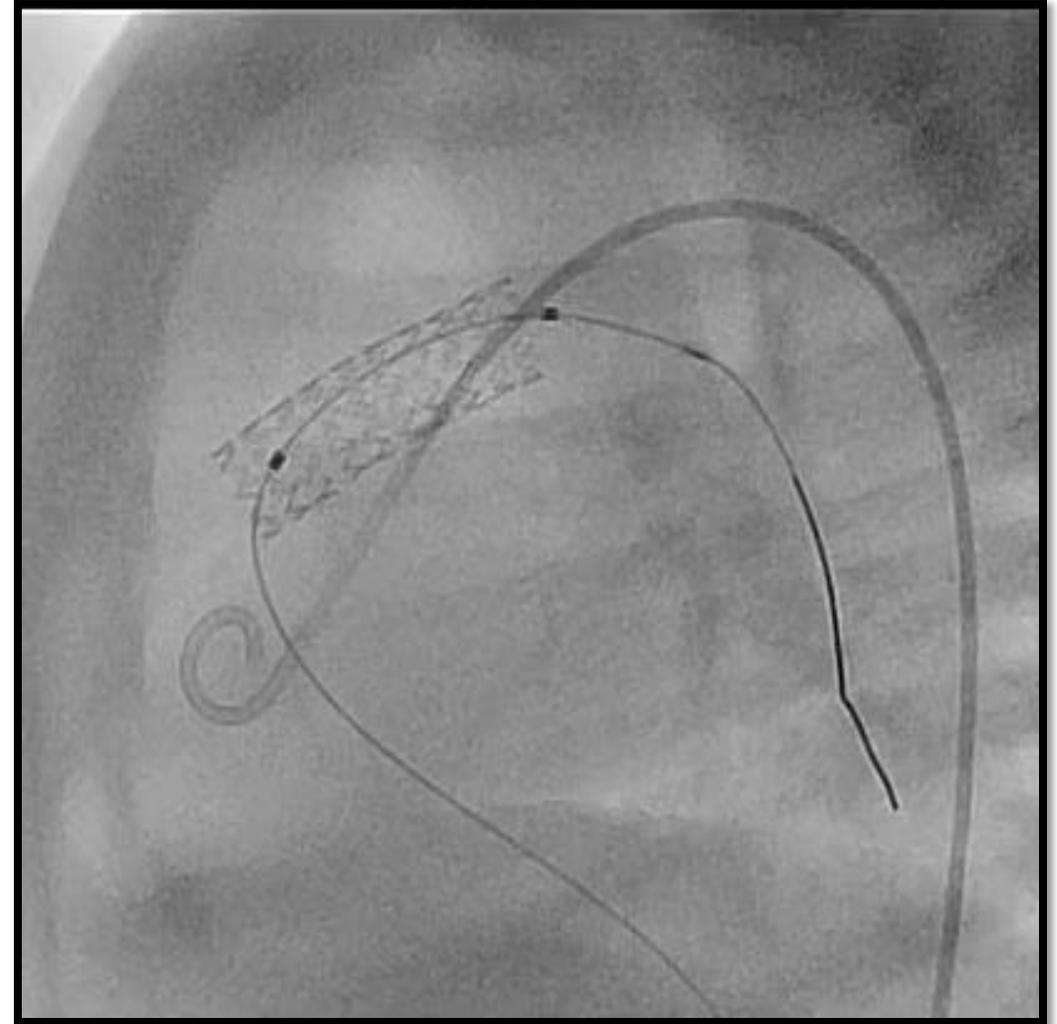
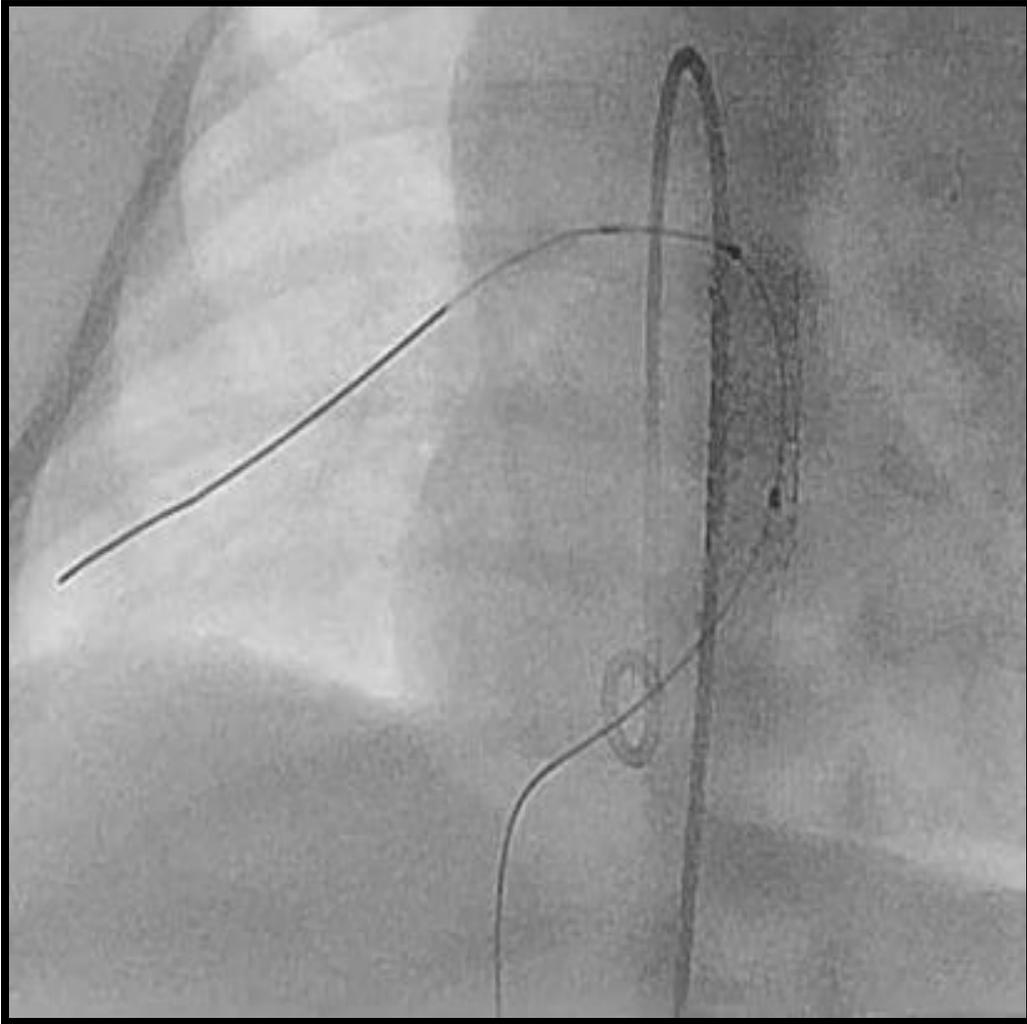
RVOT Stent



6x20mm F418



Final Result

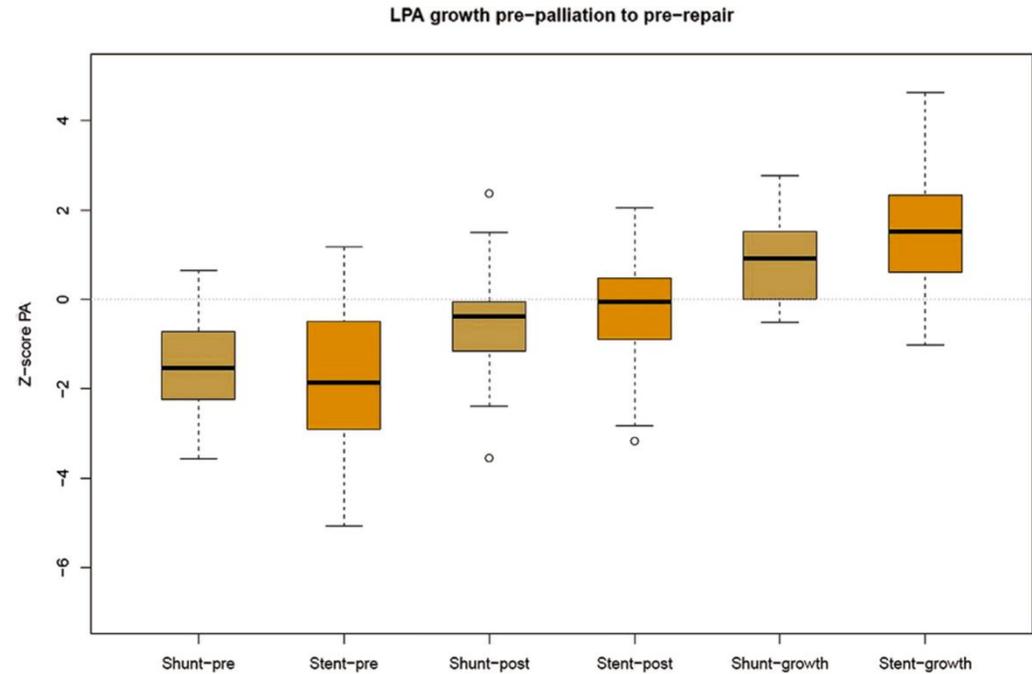
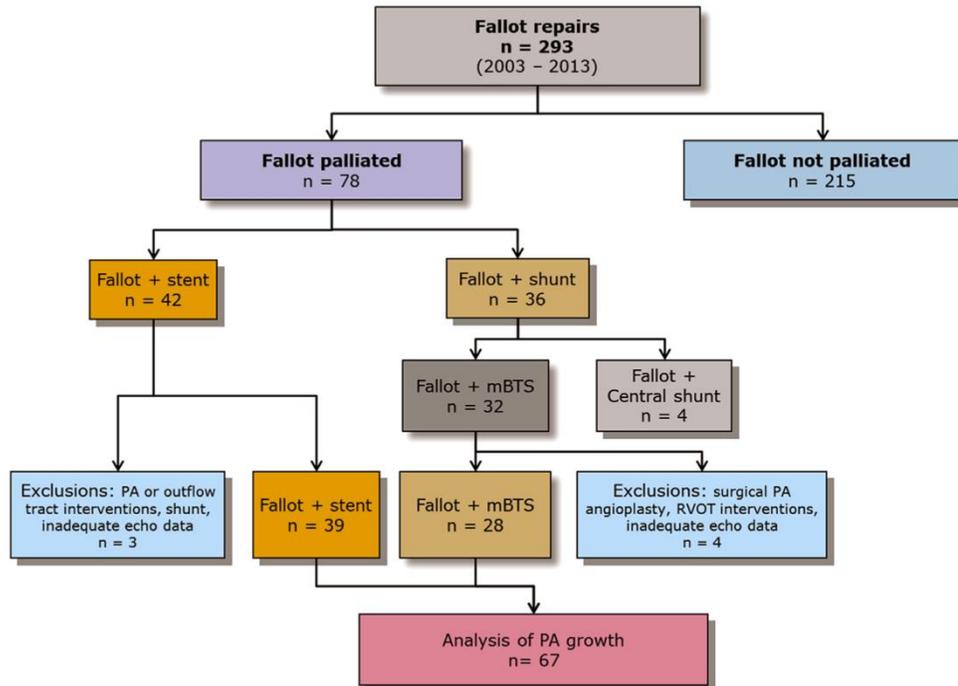




Stenting of the Right Ventricular Outflow Tract Promotes Better Pulmonary Arterial Growth Compared With Modified Blalock-Taussig Shunt Palliation in Tetralogy of Fallot-Type Lesions

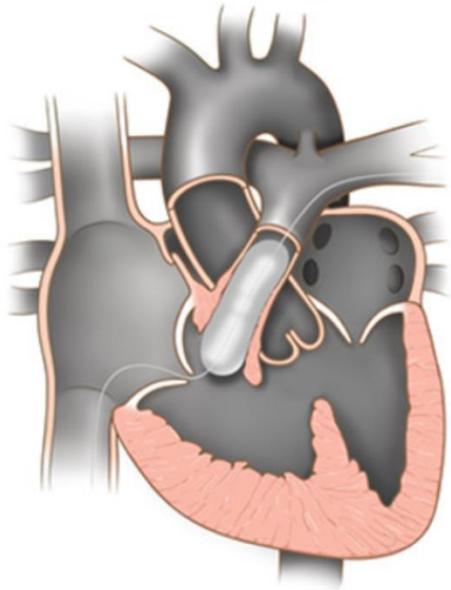


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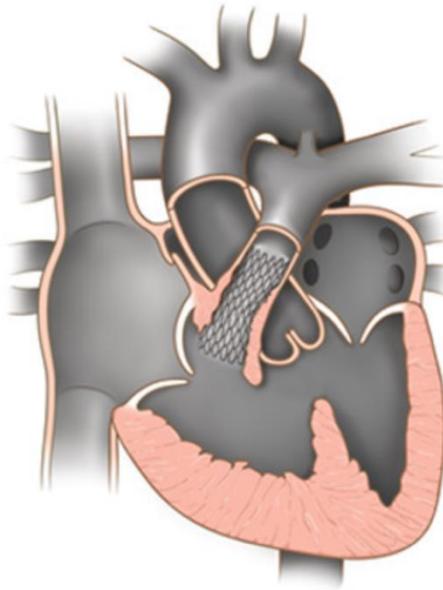
Balloon Pulmonary Valvuloplasty



PRO Technically least challenging

CON High failure rate

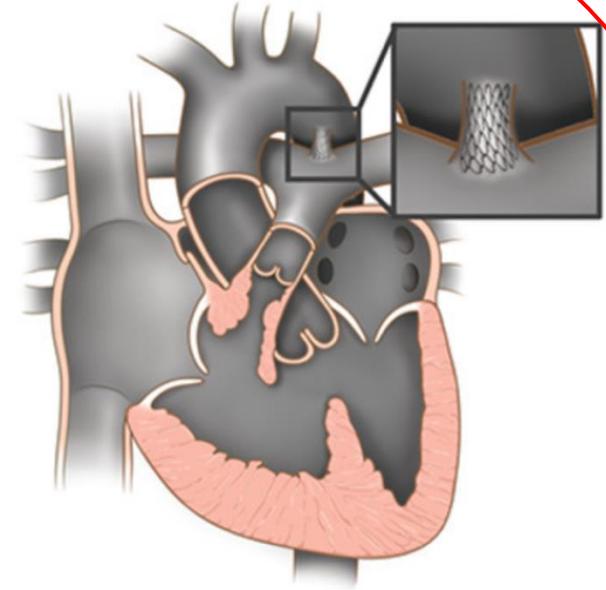
Right Ventricular Outflow Tract Stent



PRO Good PA growth
Most physiologic circulation

CON Stent resection at time
of complete repair

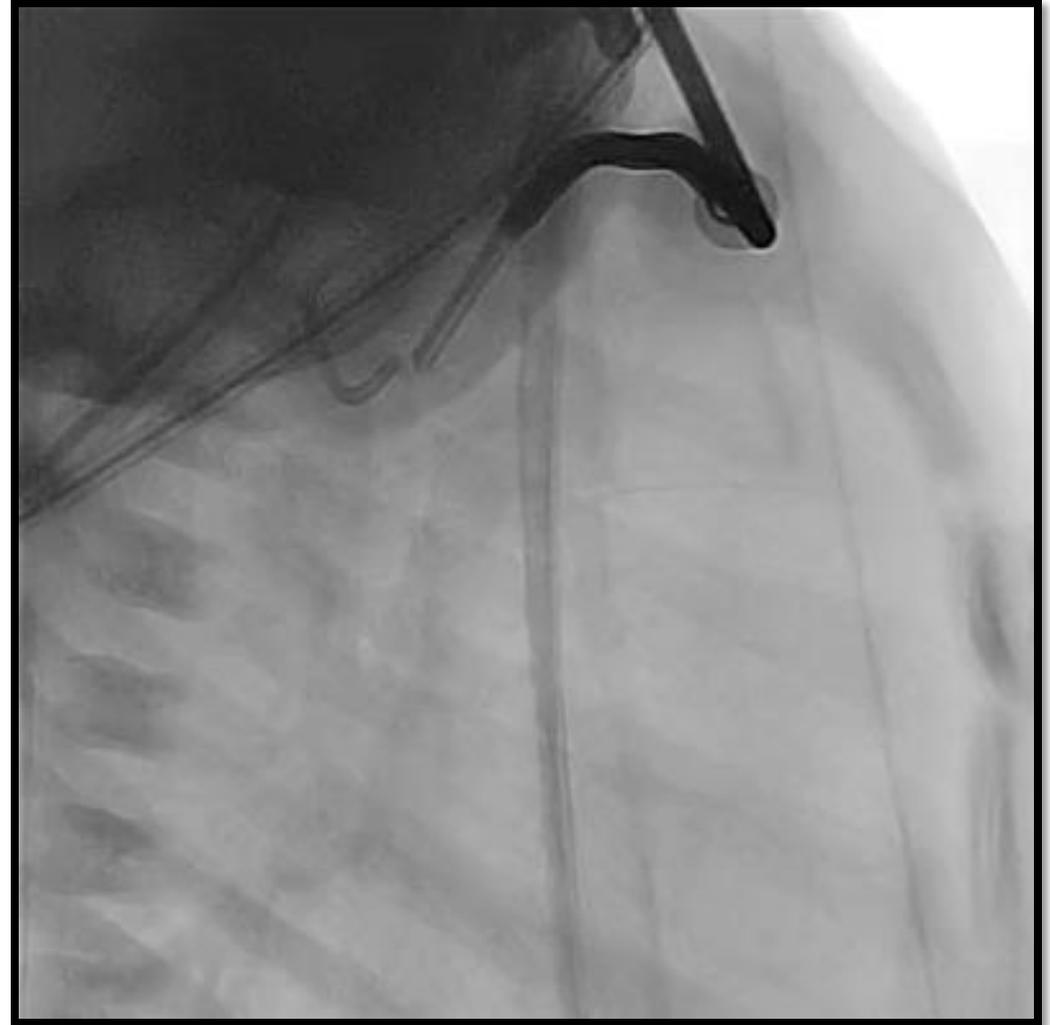
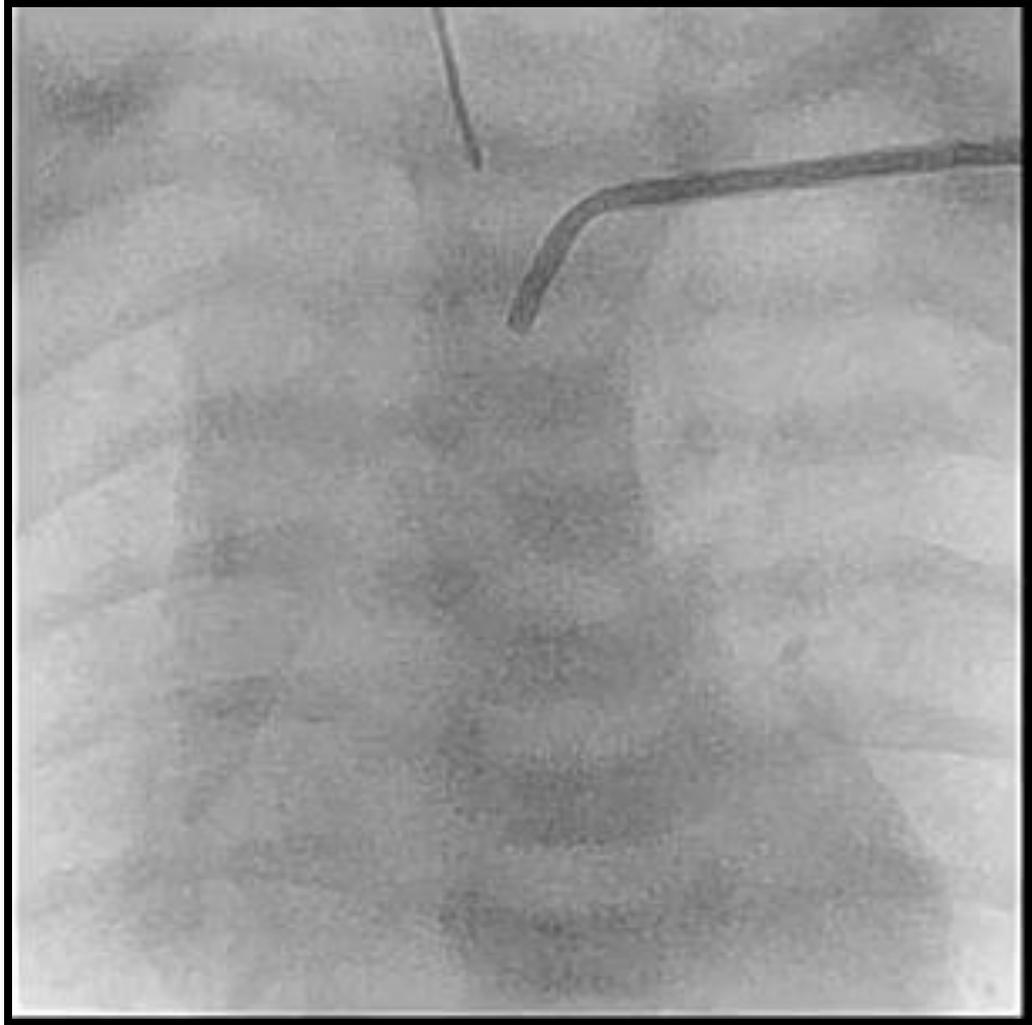
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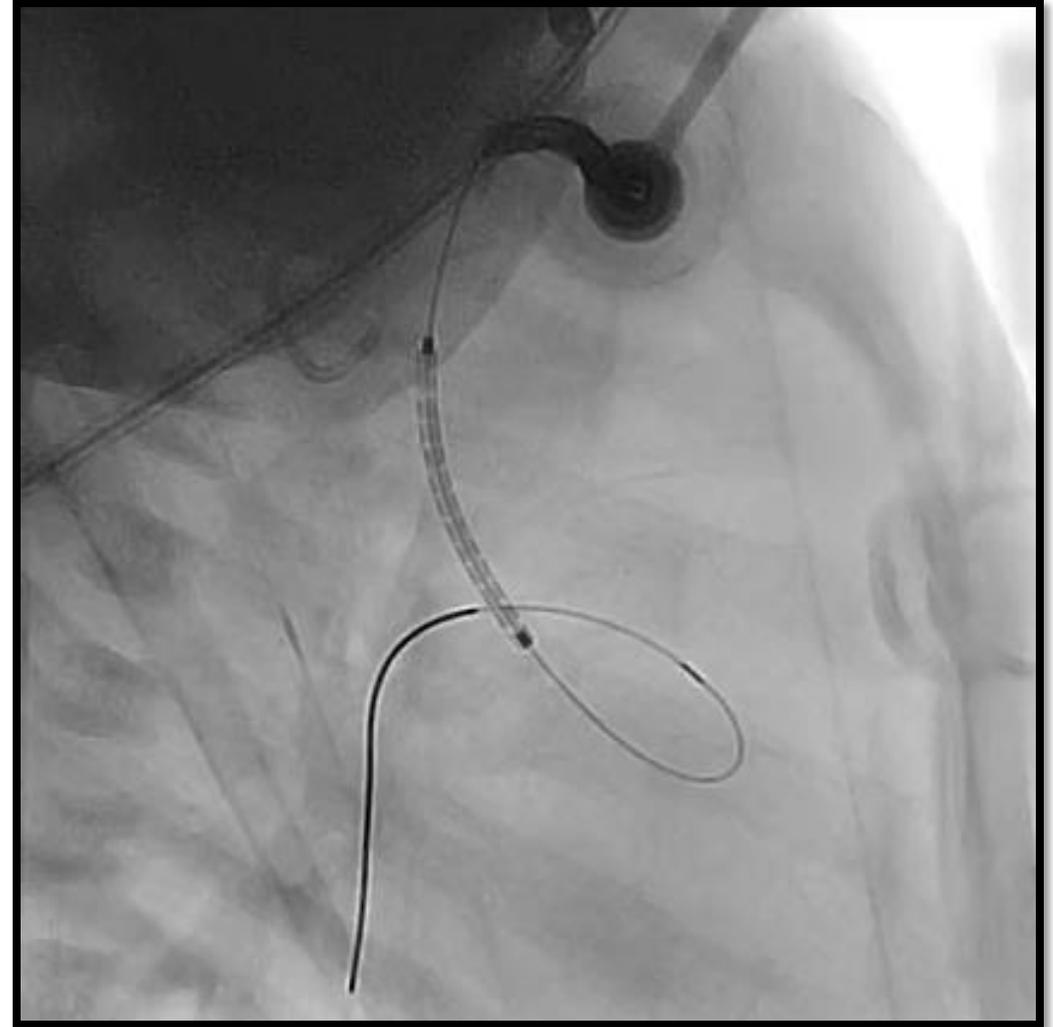
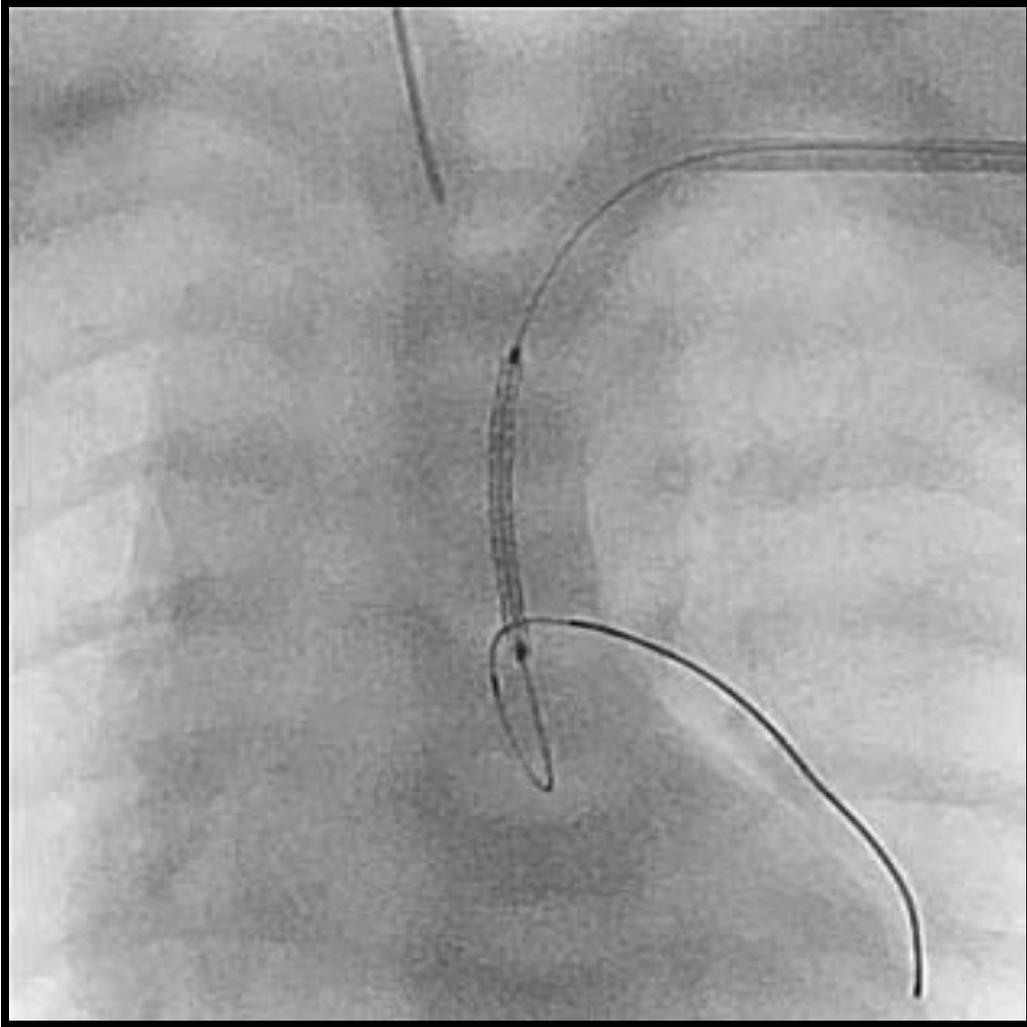
PRO Good PA growth
Relief of cyanosis

CON Can be technically challenging/
learning curve involved

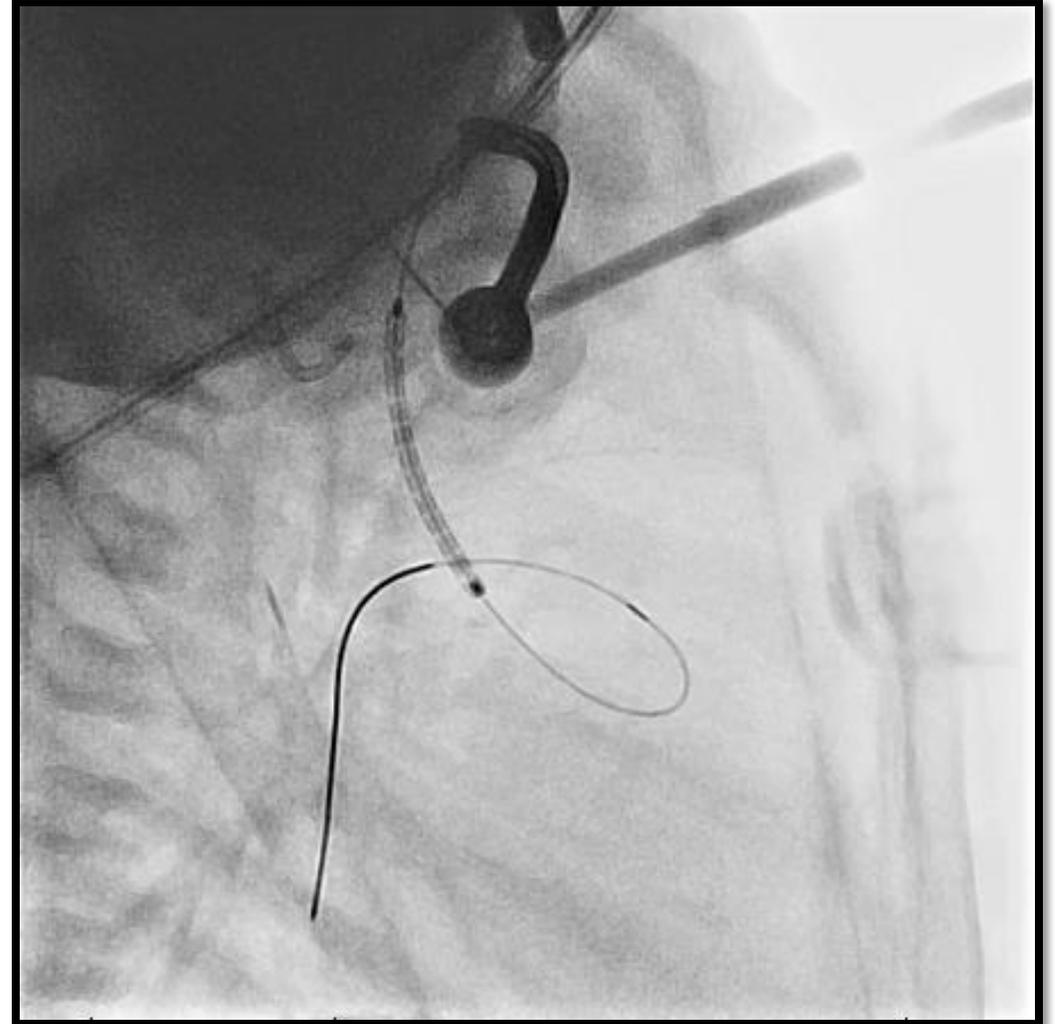
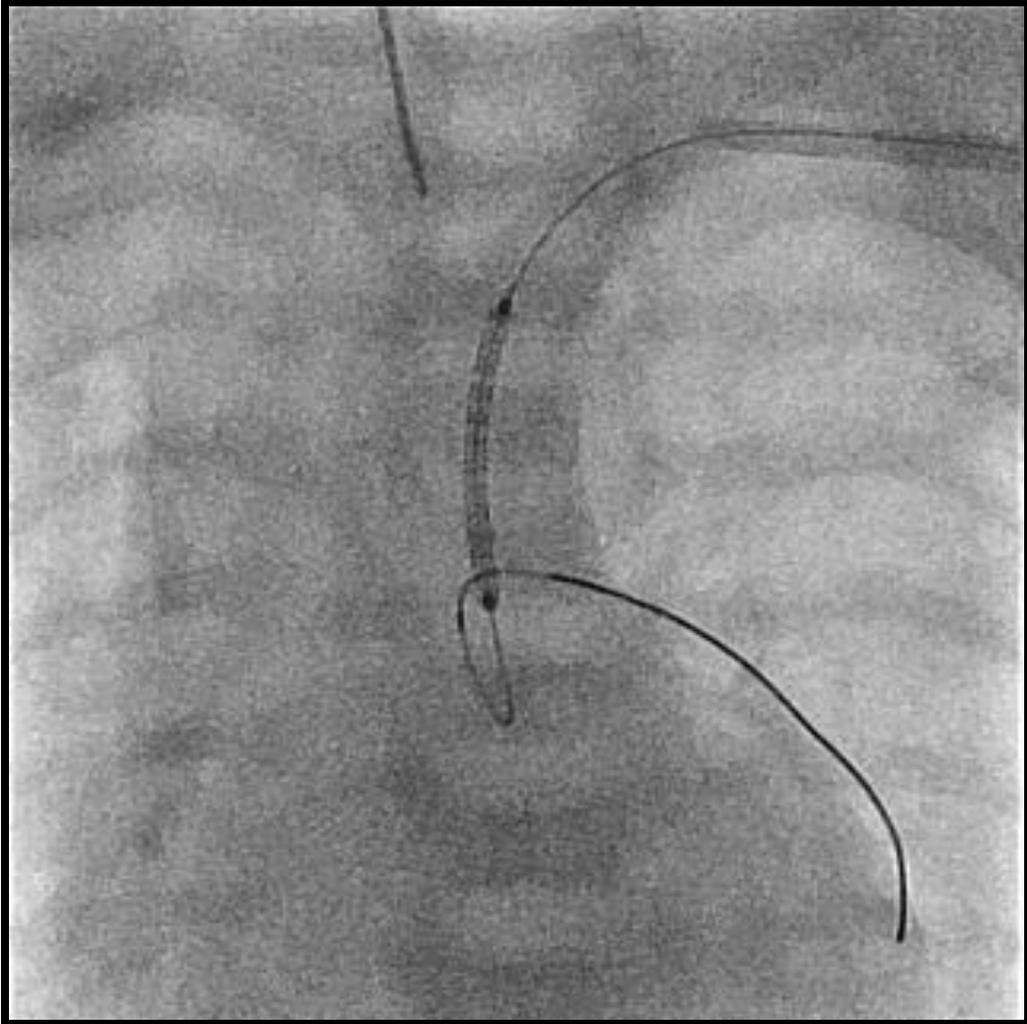
PDA Stent



Axillary Approach

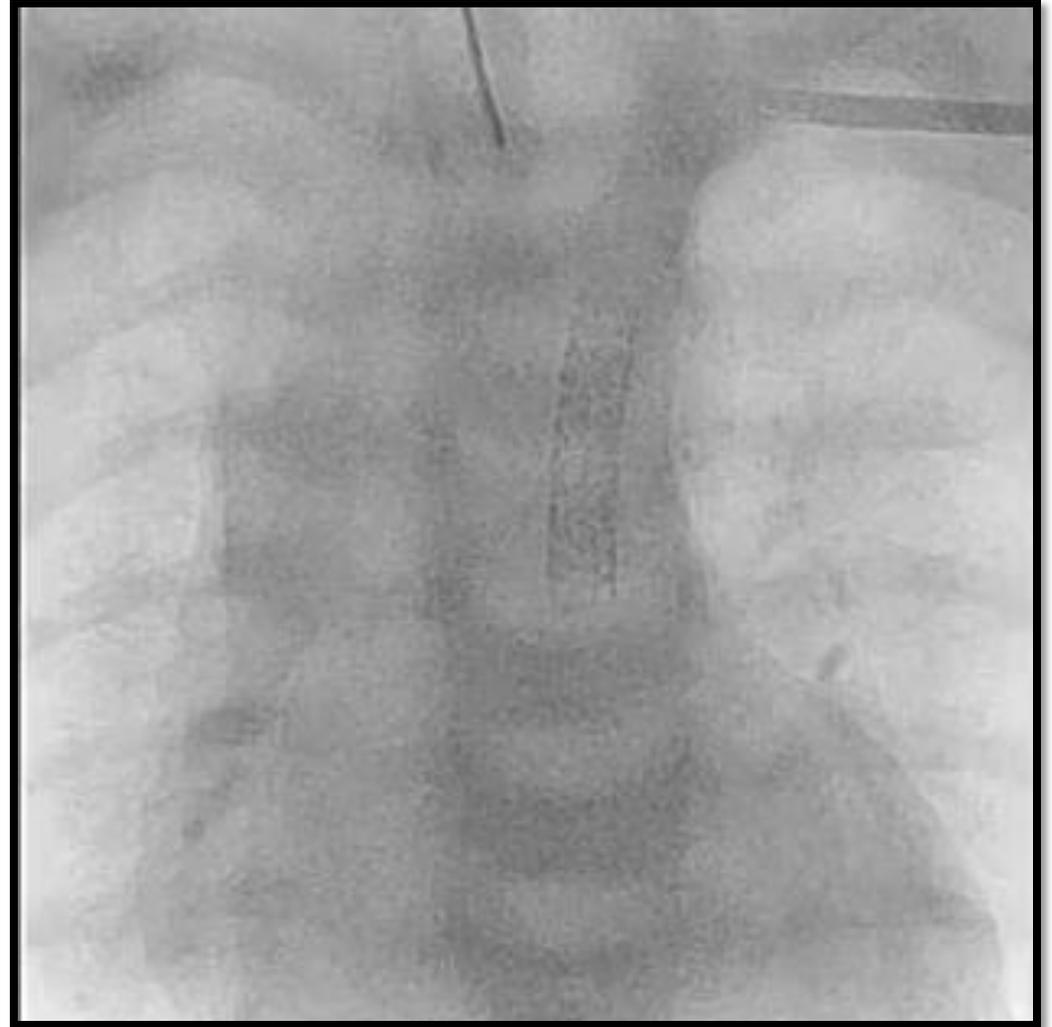
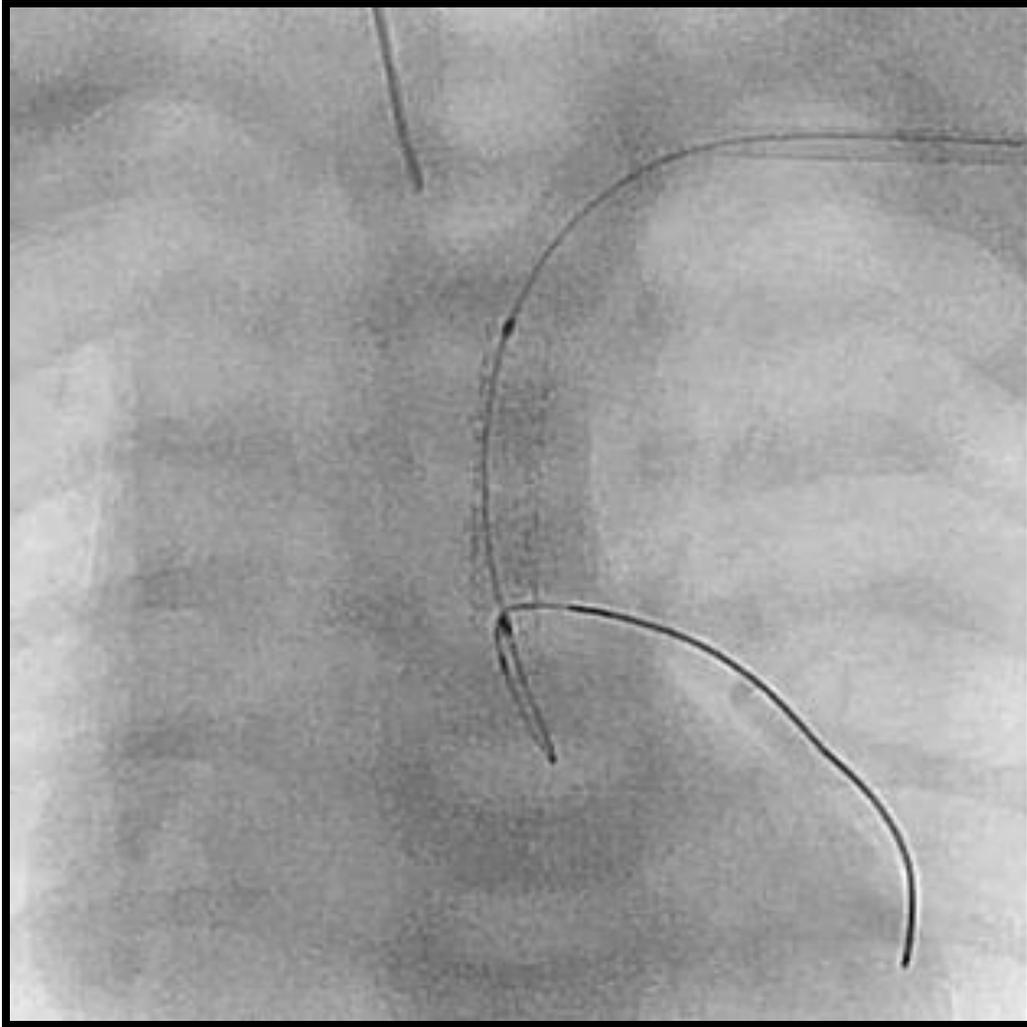


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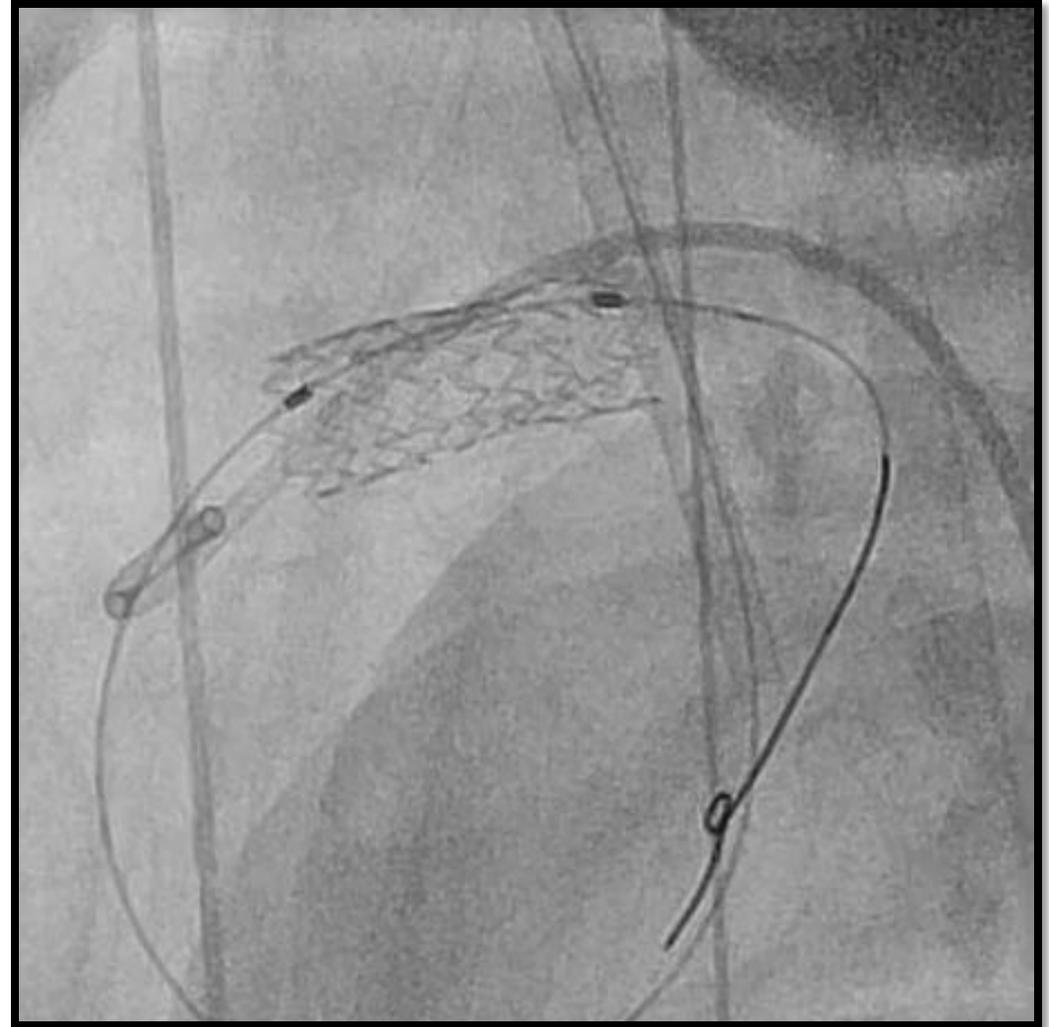
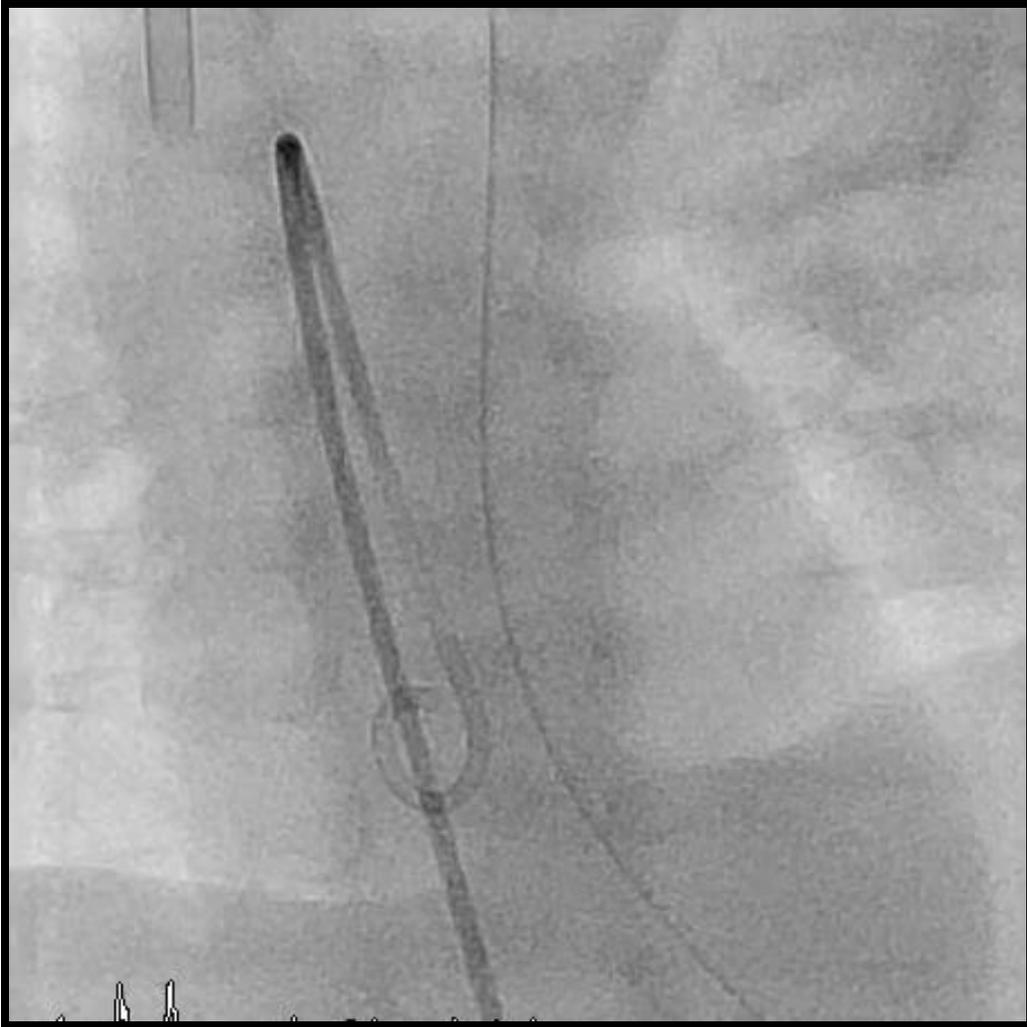




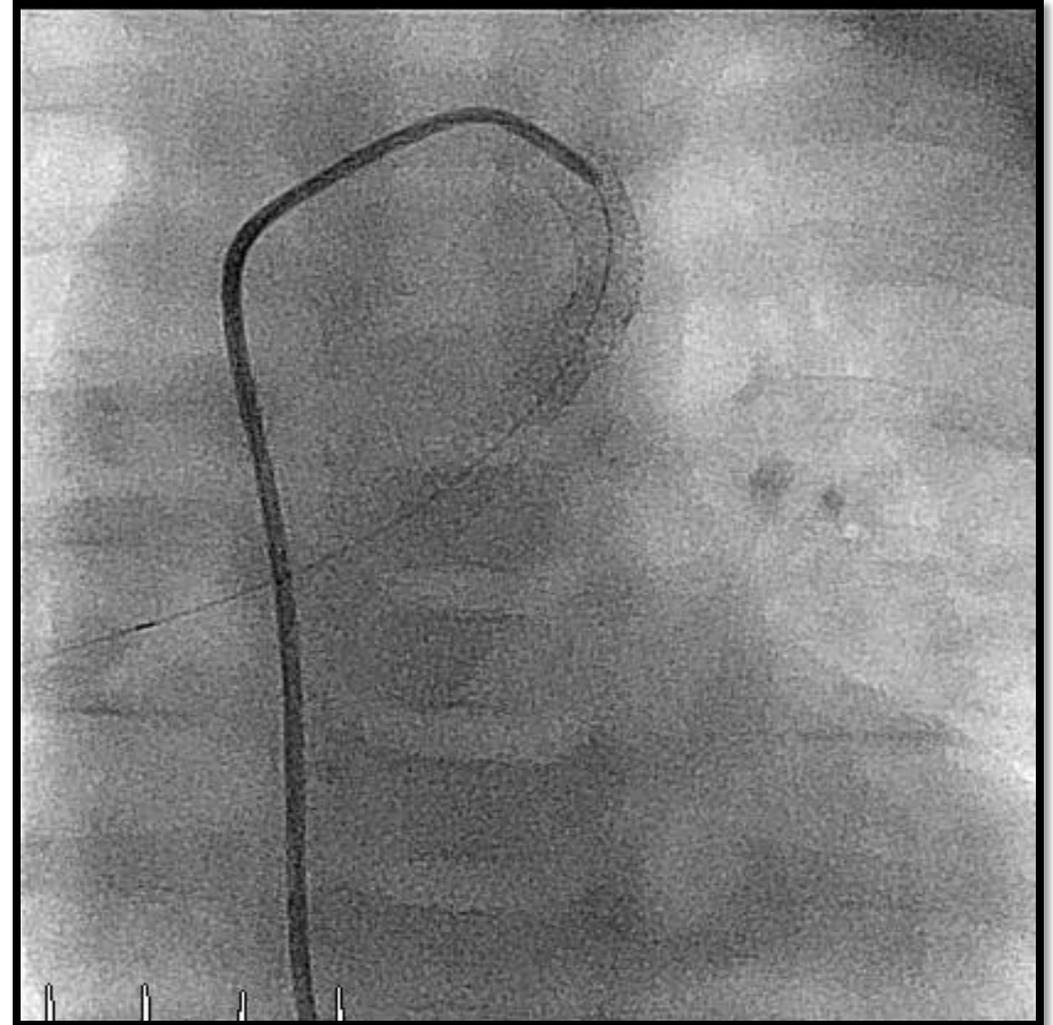
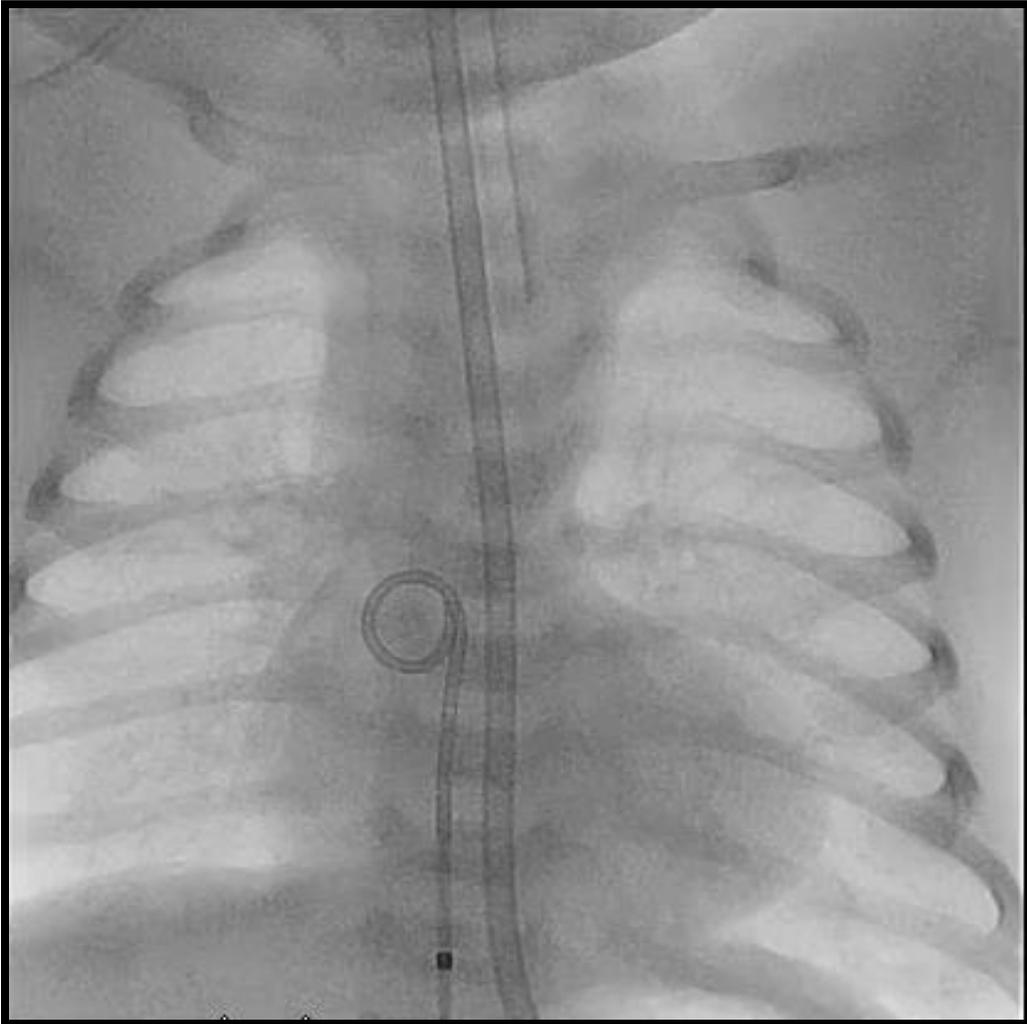
Result



Anterograde Flow and PDA – Which Approach?



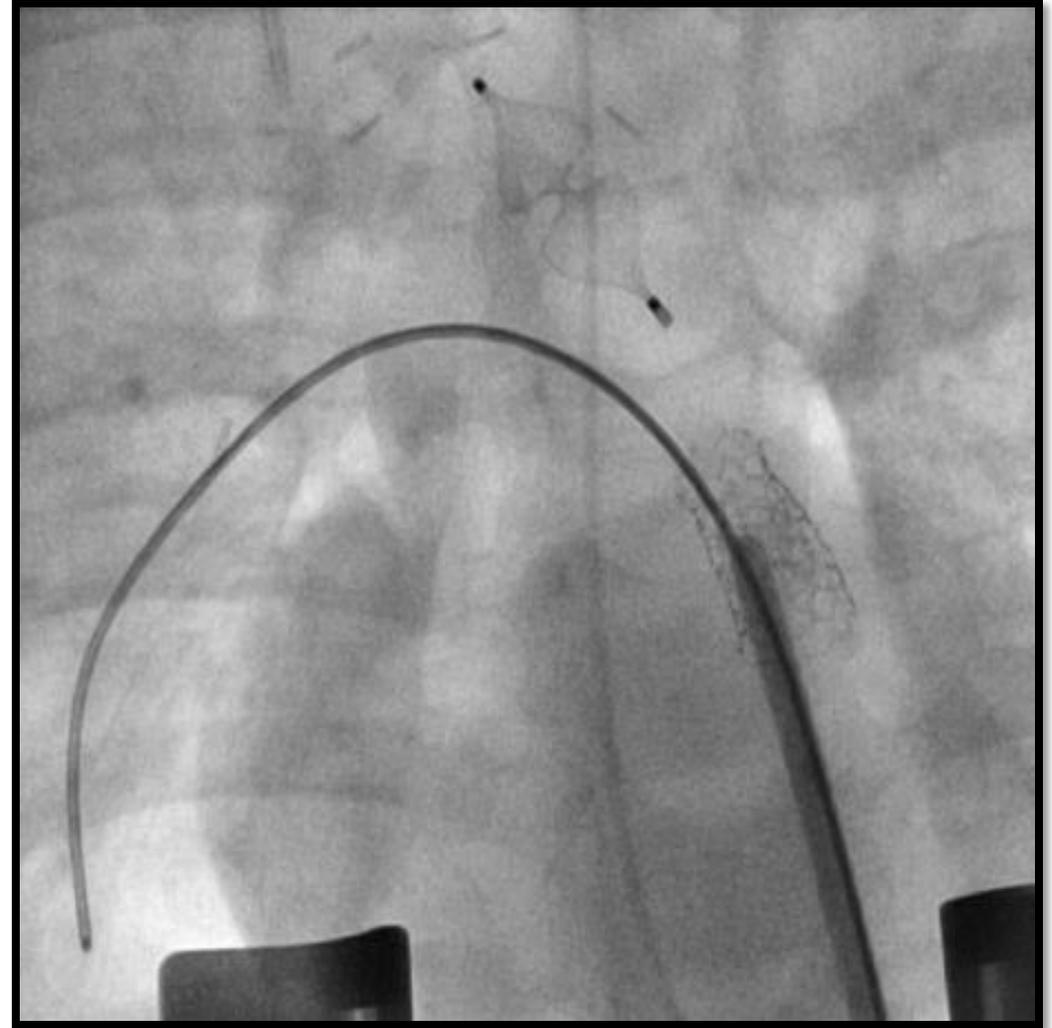
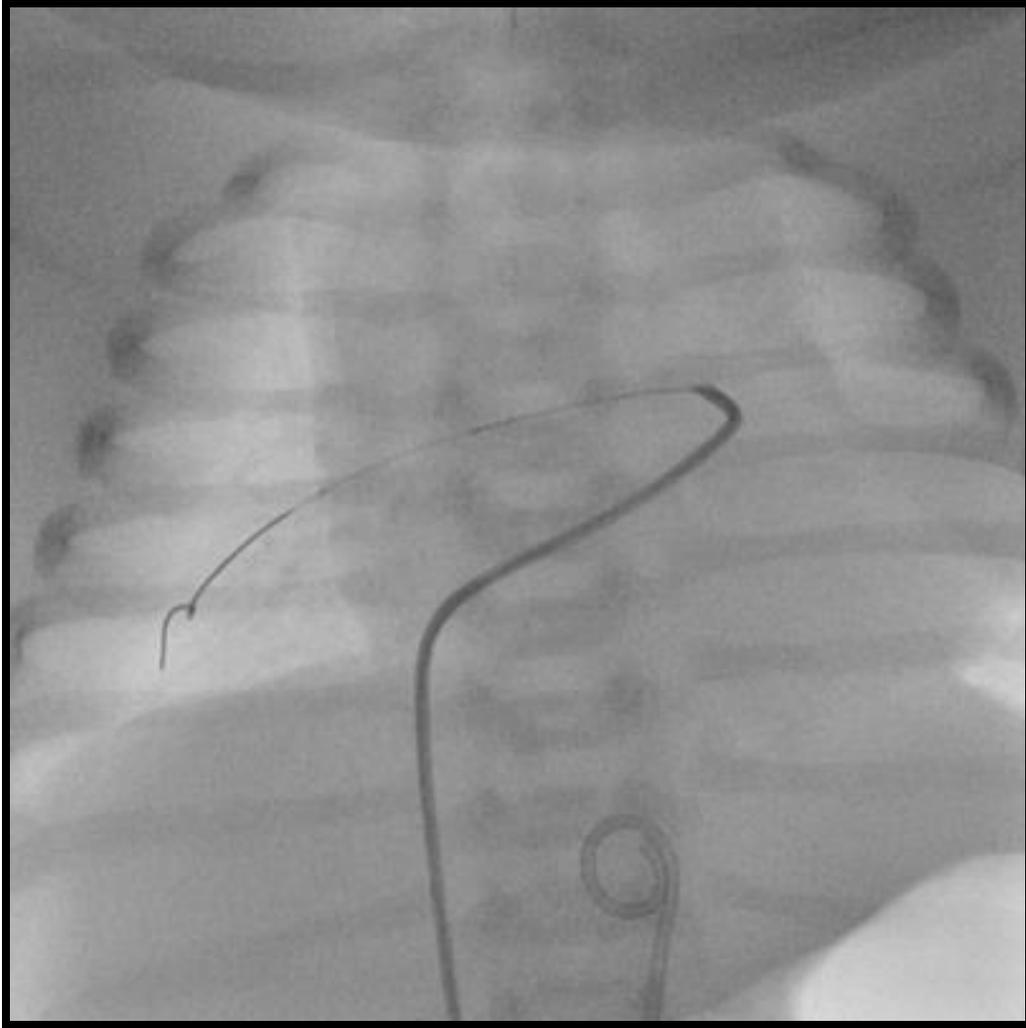
PDA Stenting



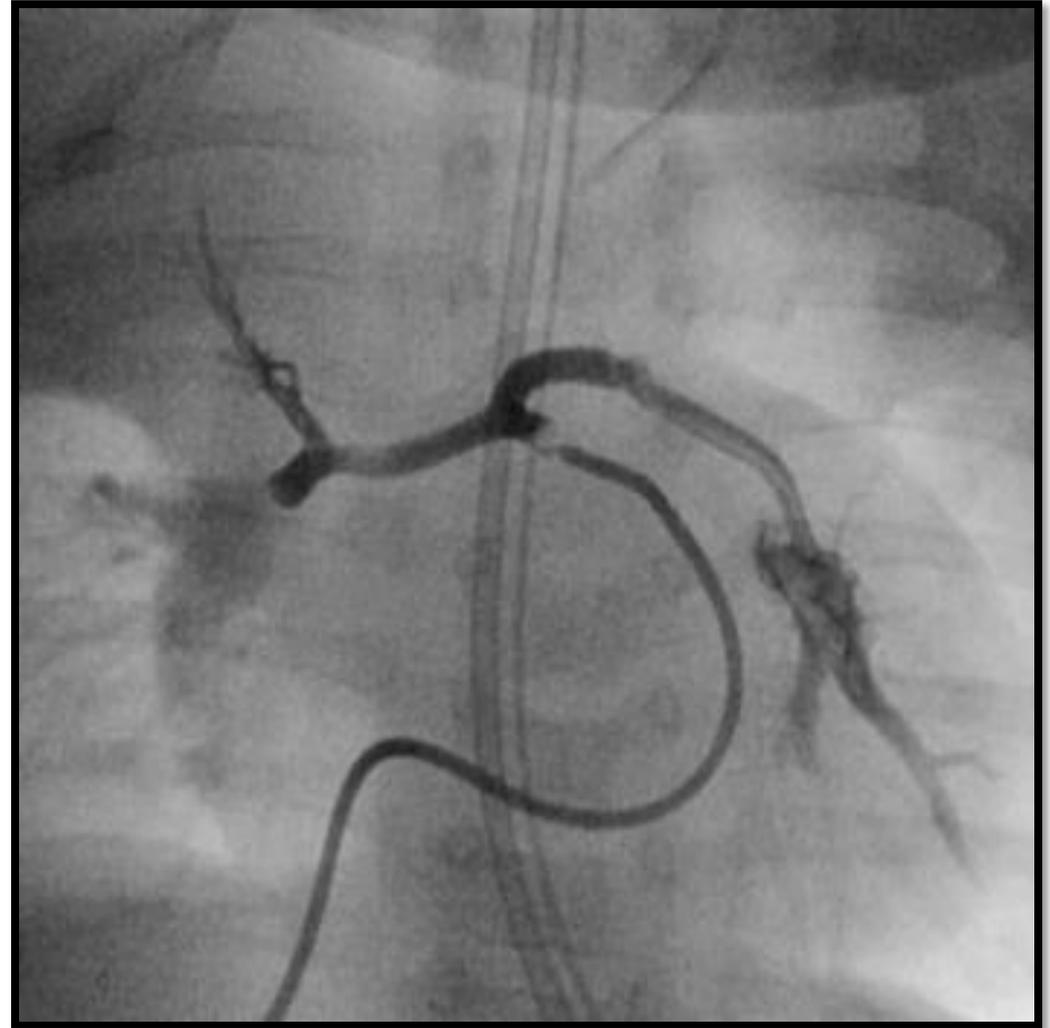
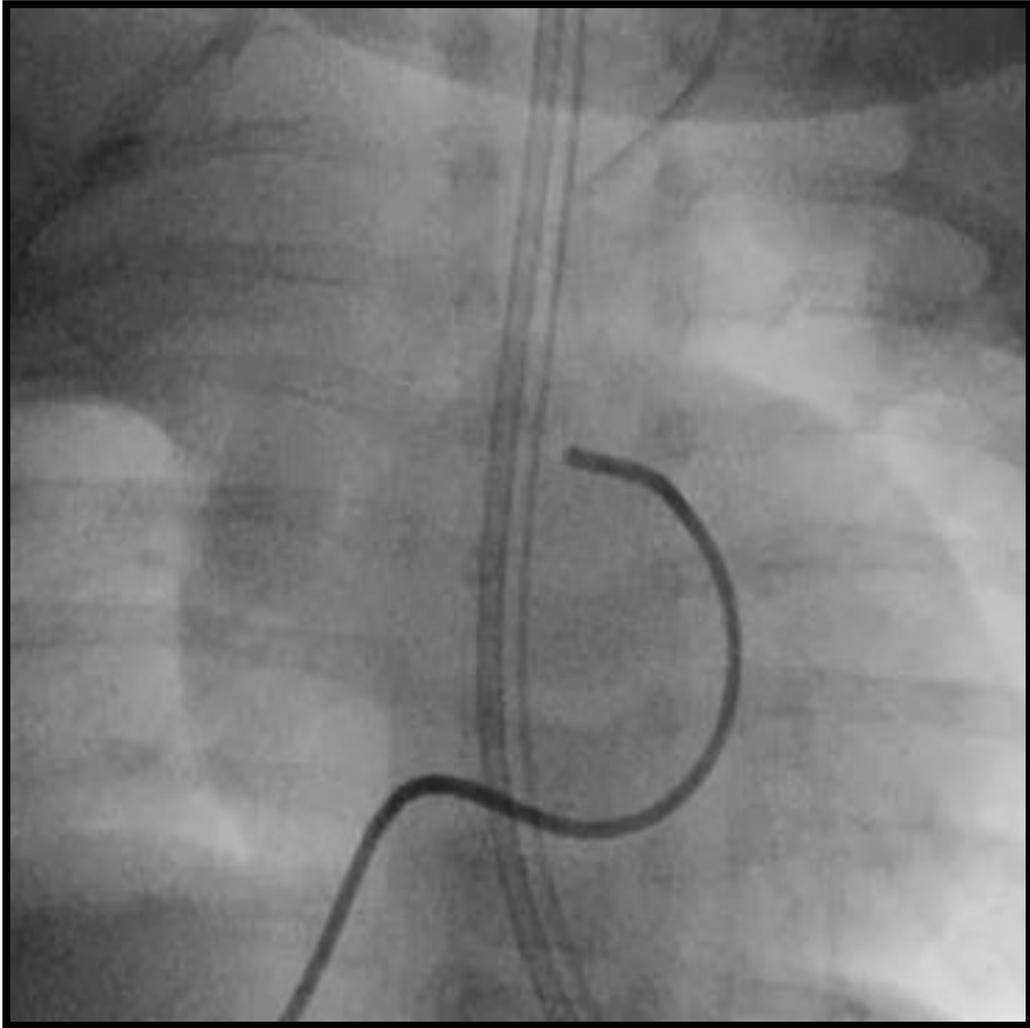
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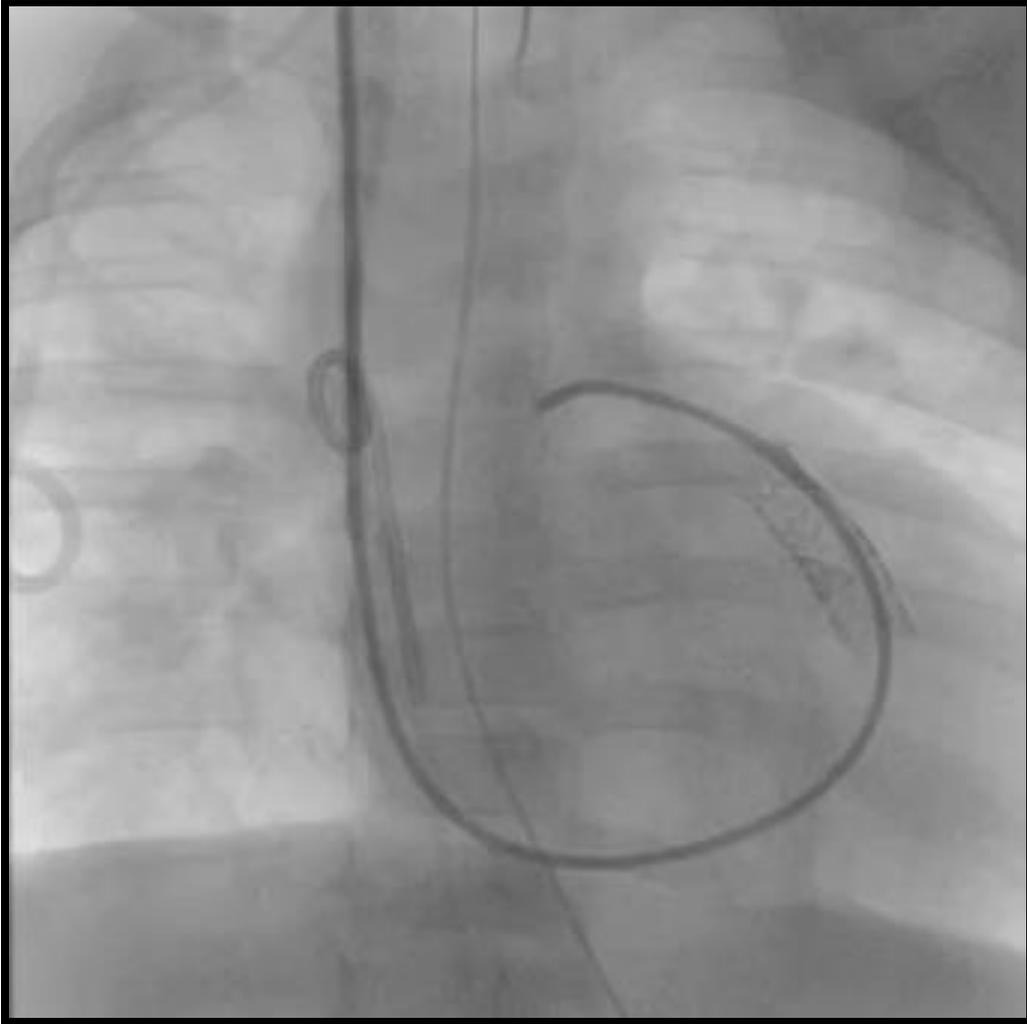
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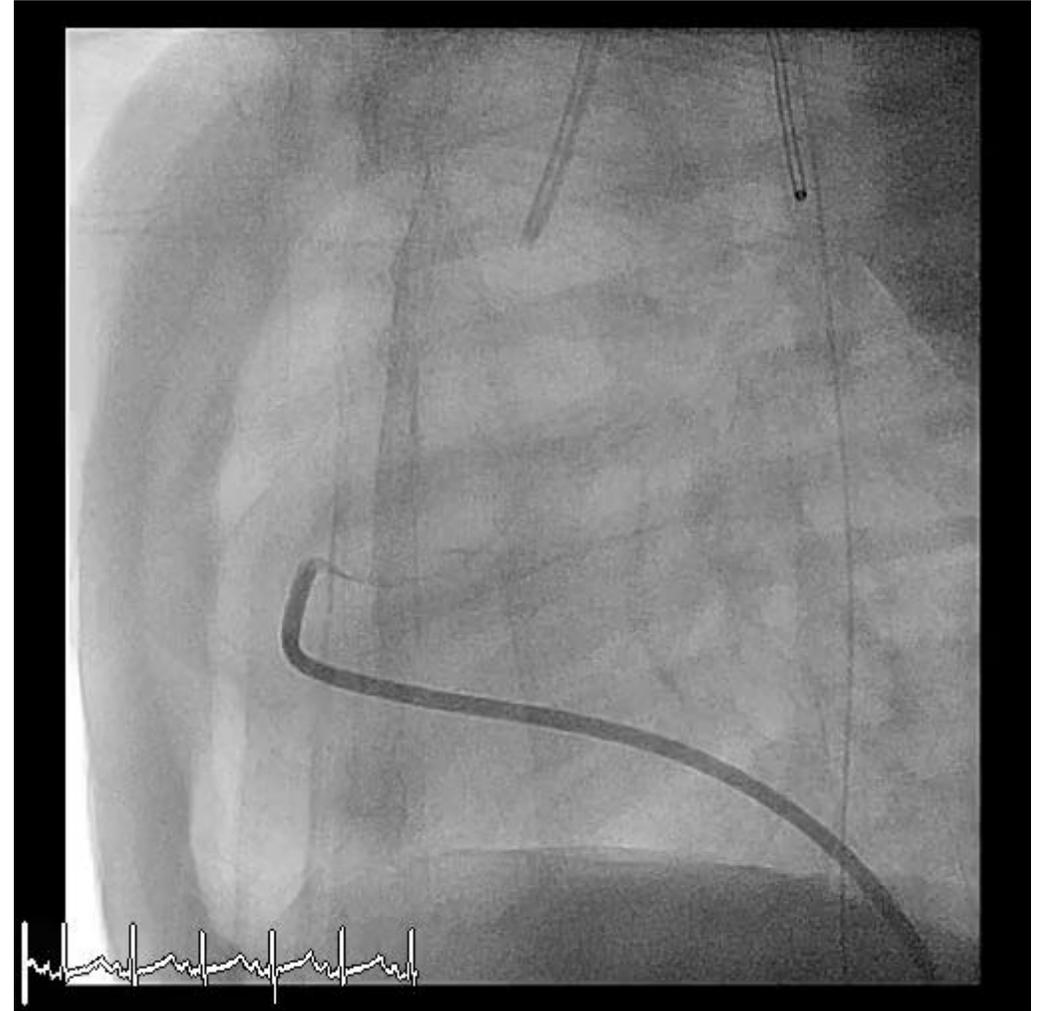
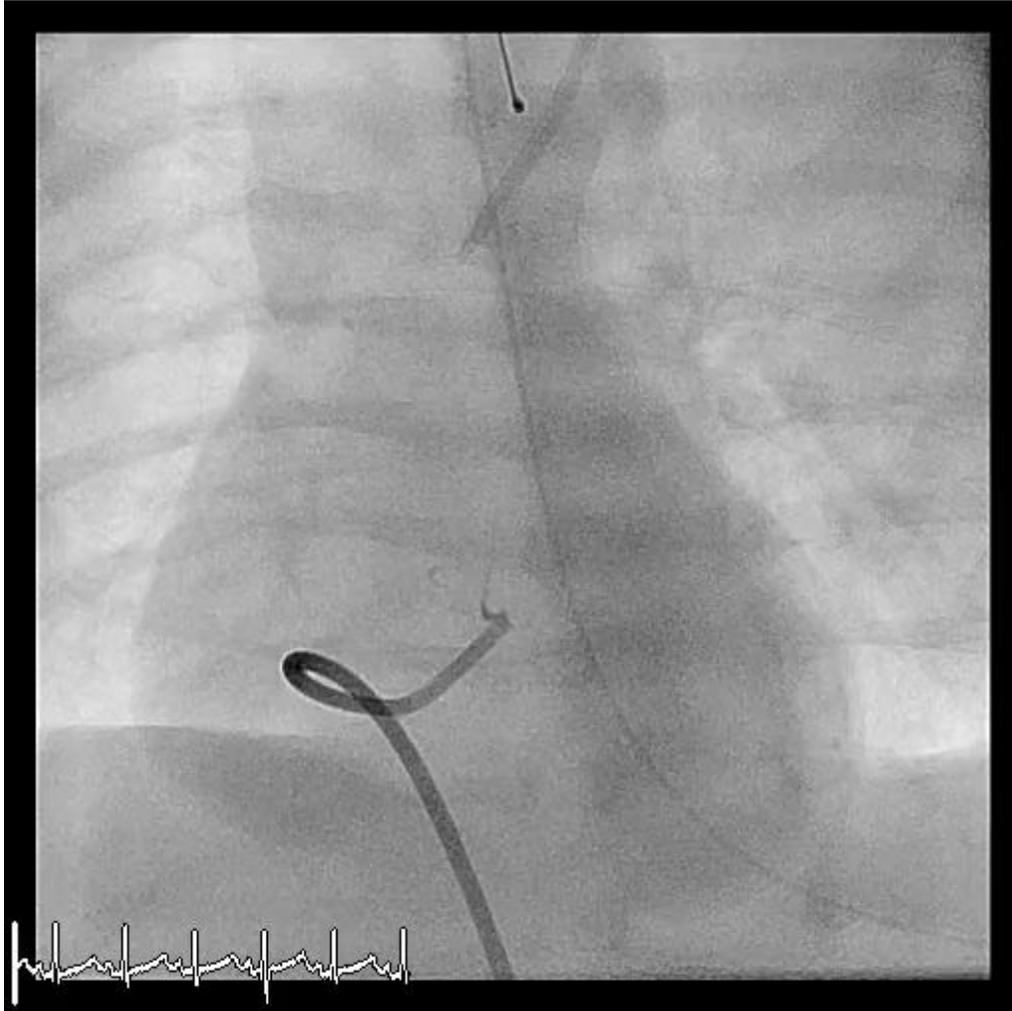
More MAPCA's



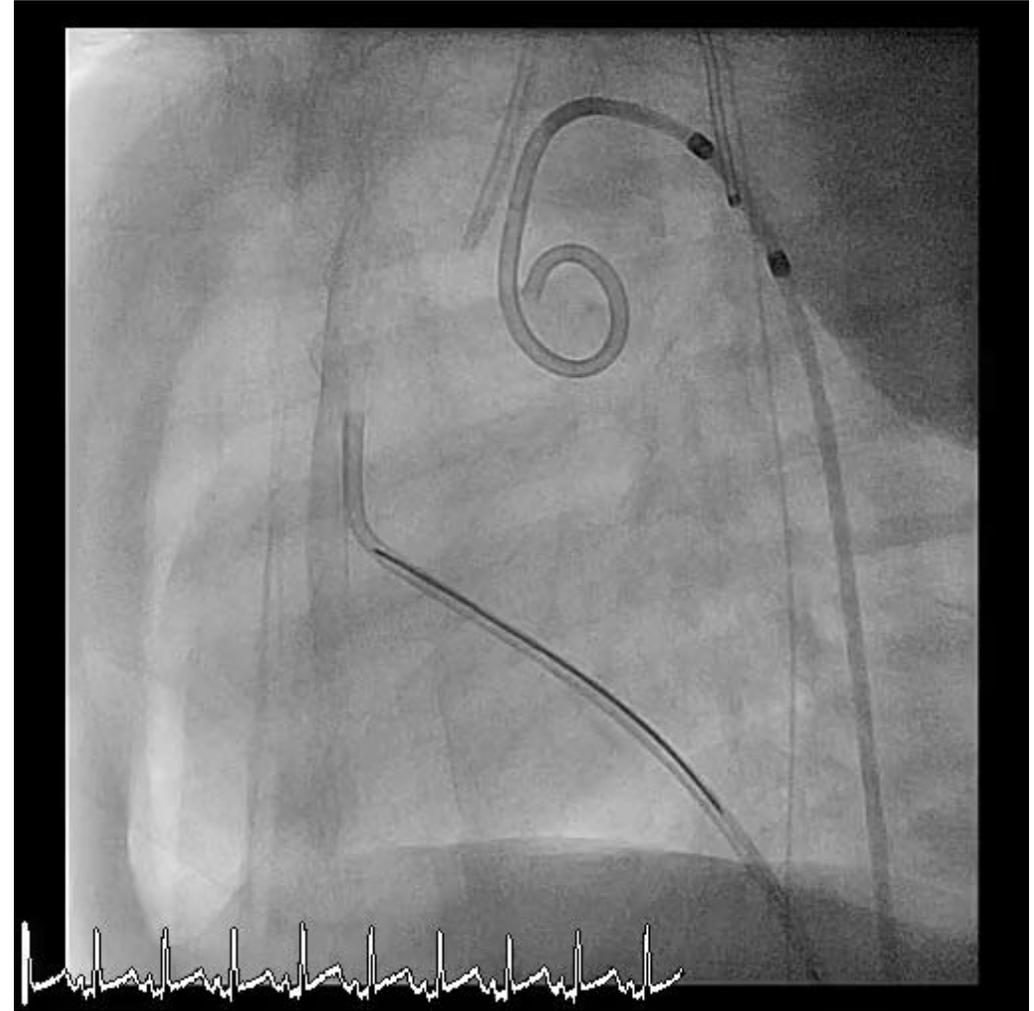
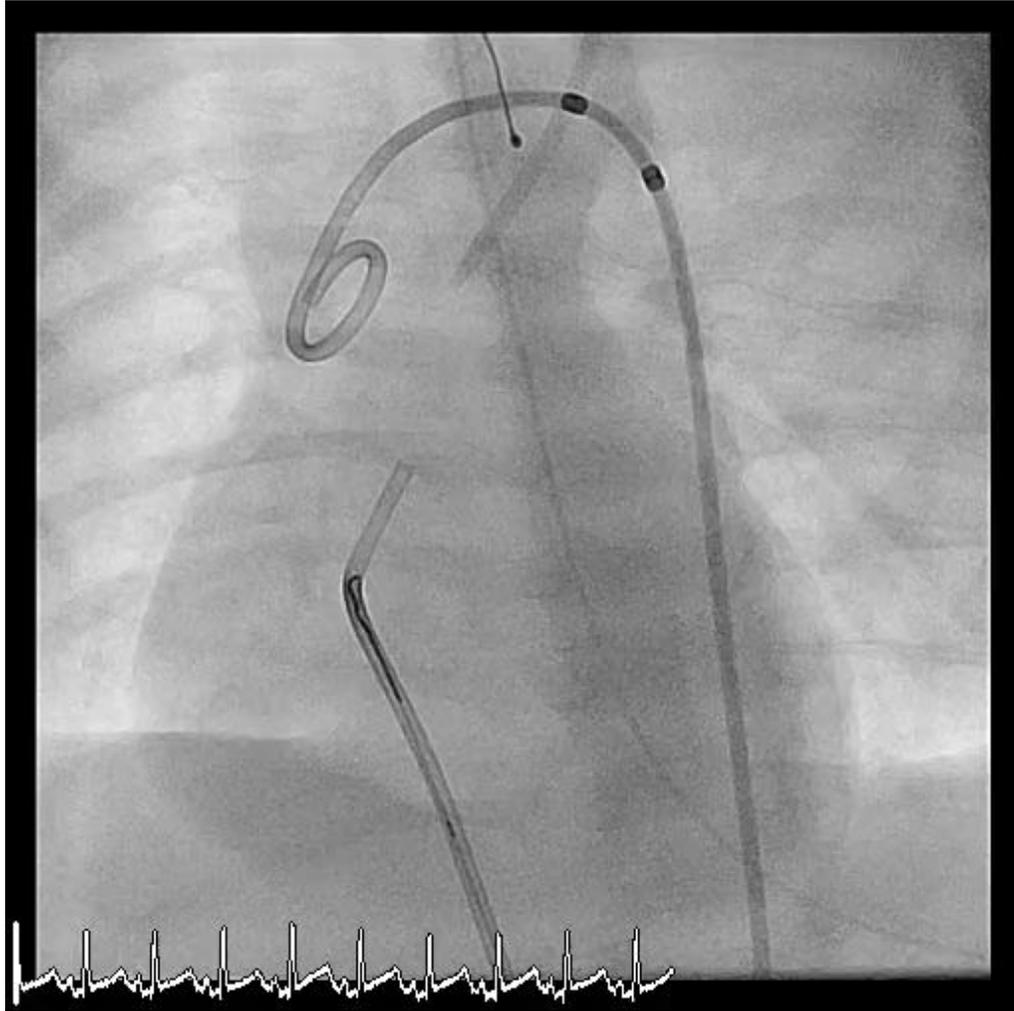
RVOT Stent to Promote PA Growth



Patient Specific Factors



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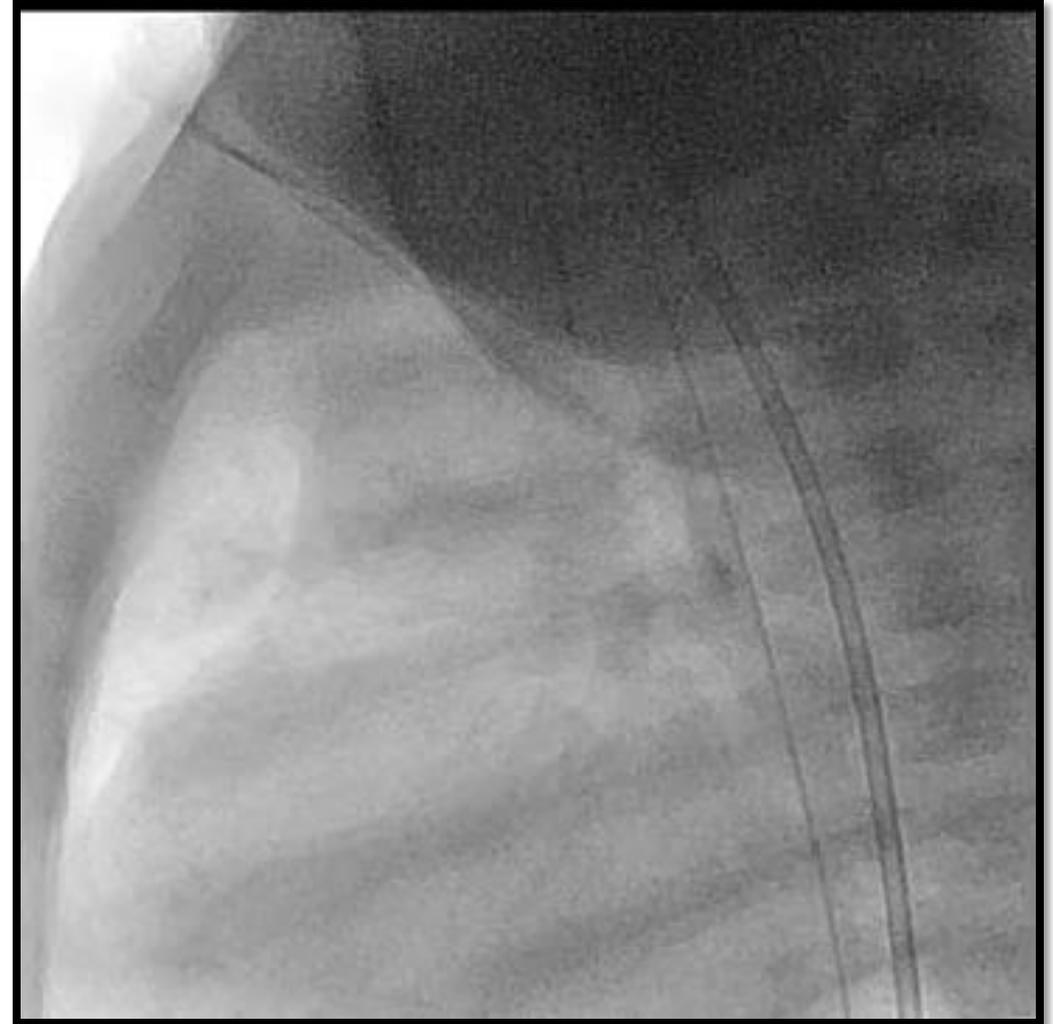
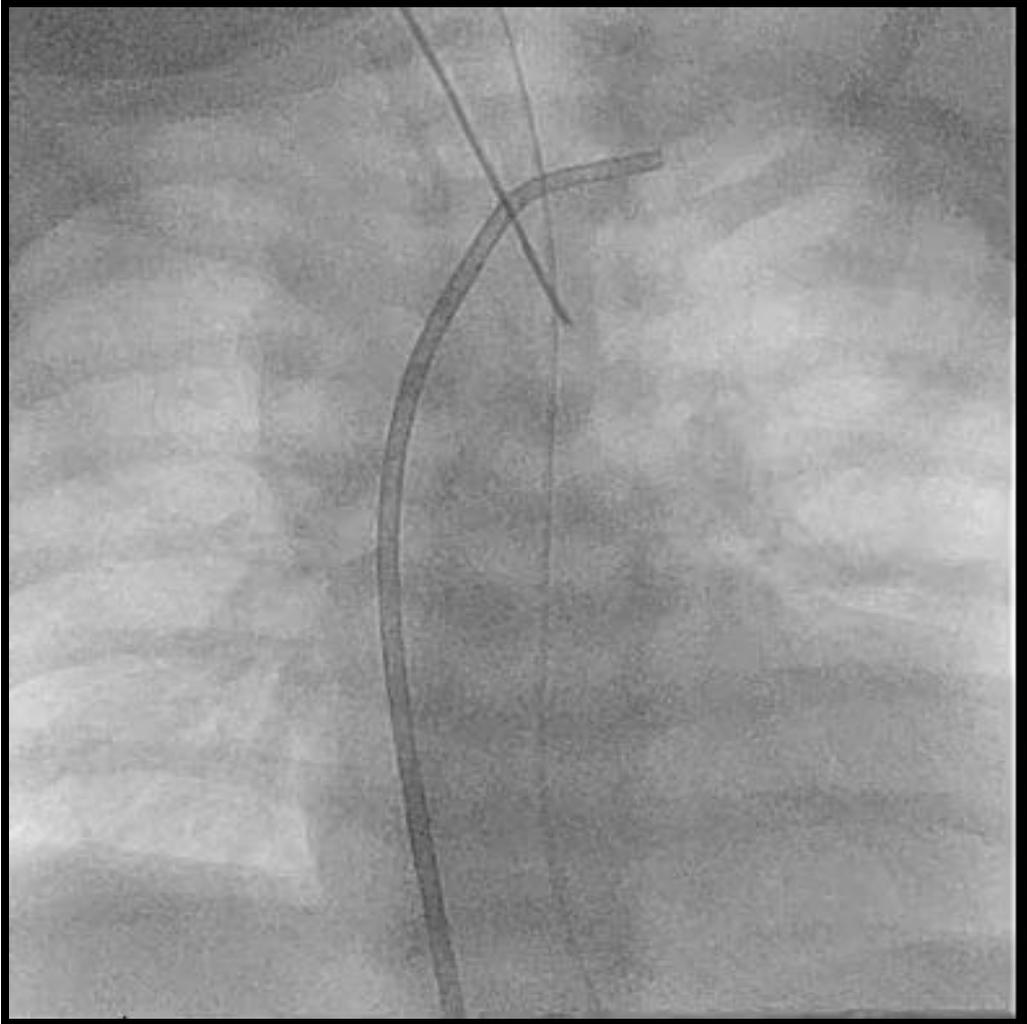


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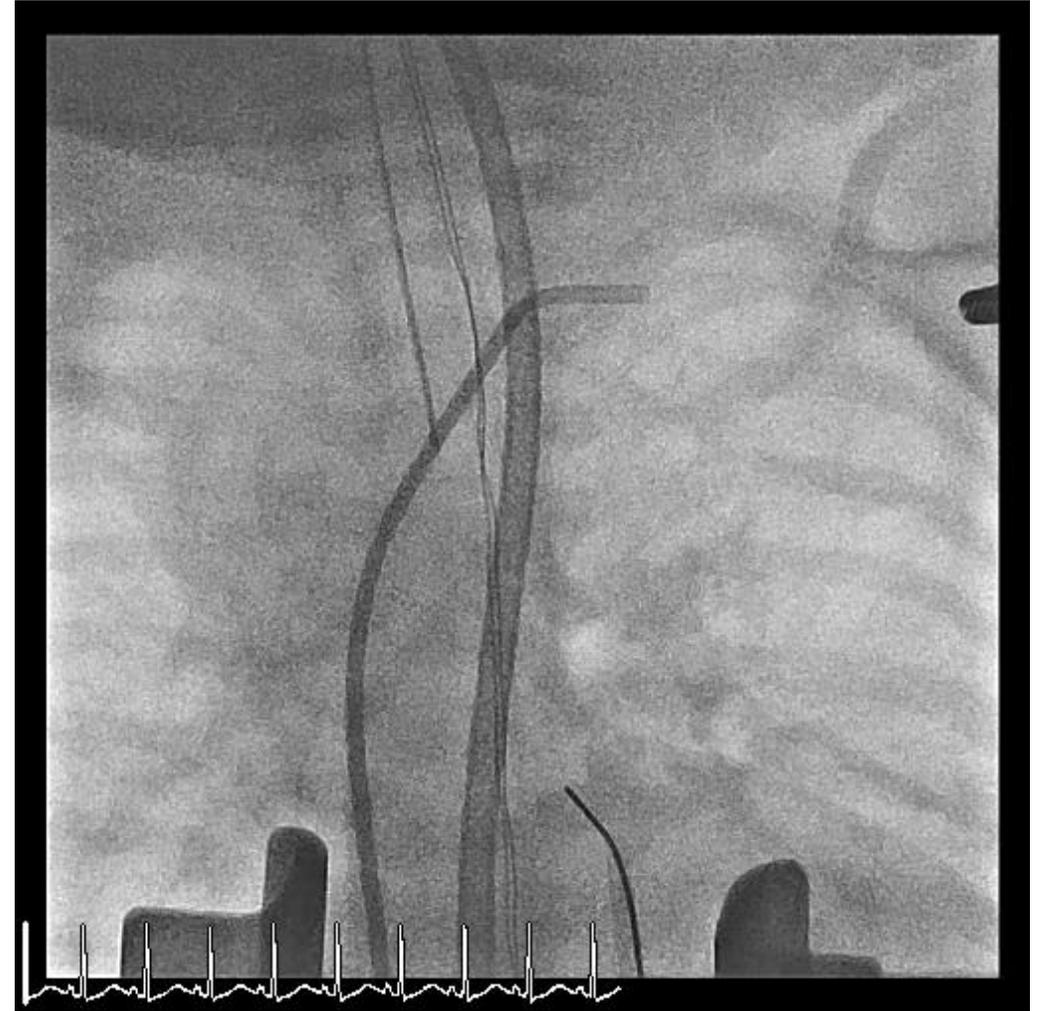
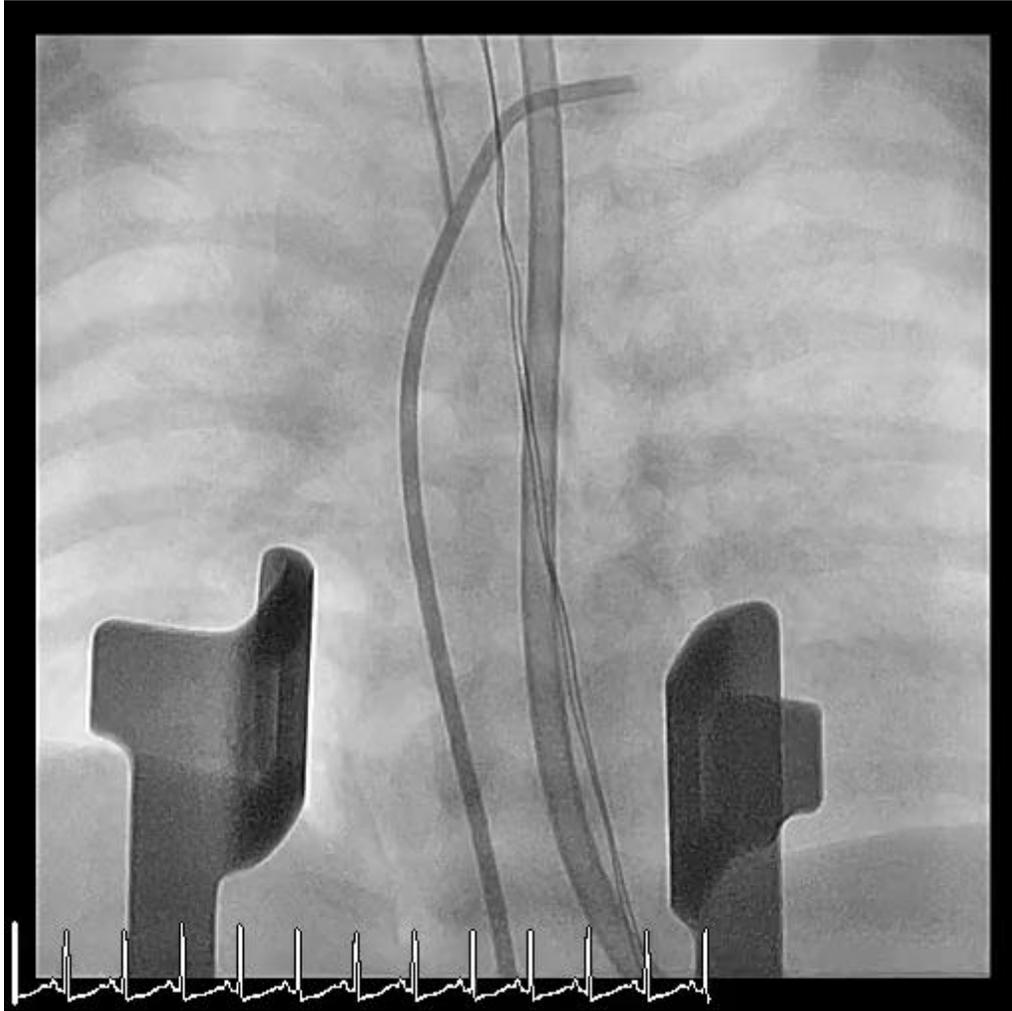
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No PDA and No RVOTO

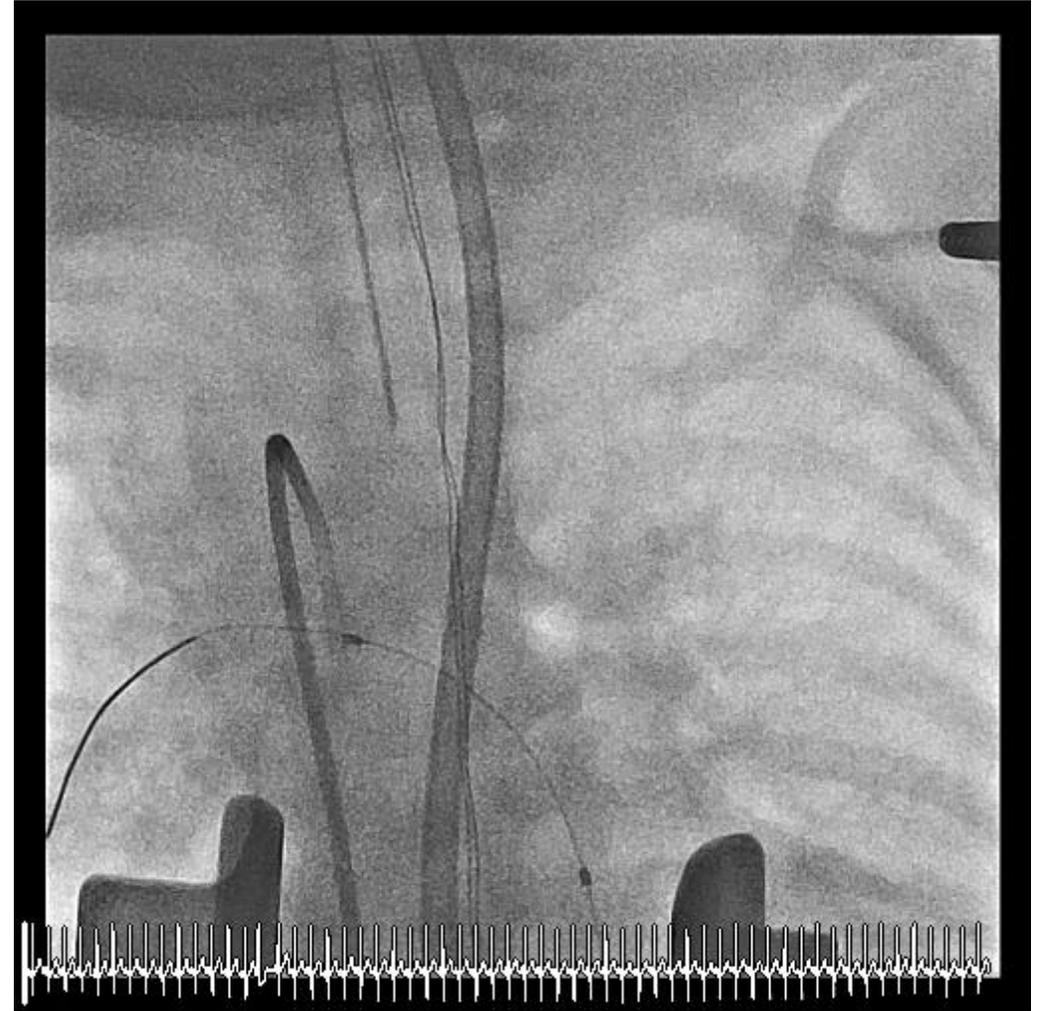
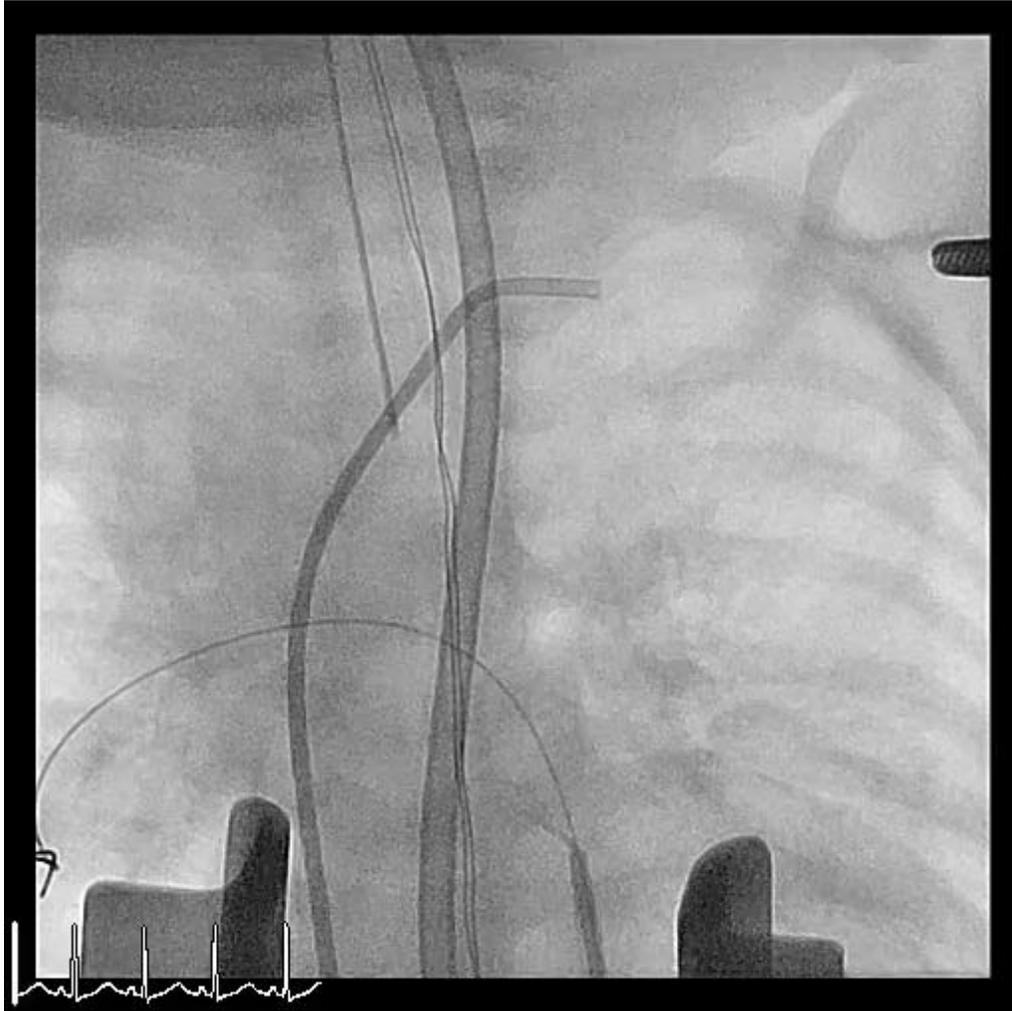




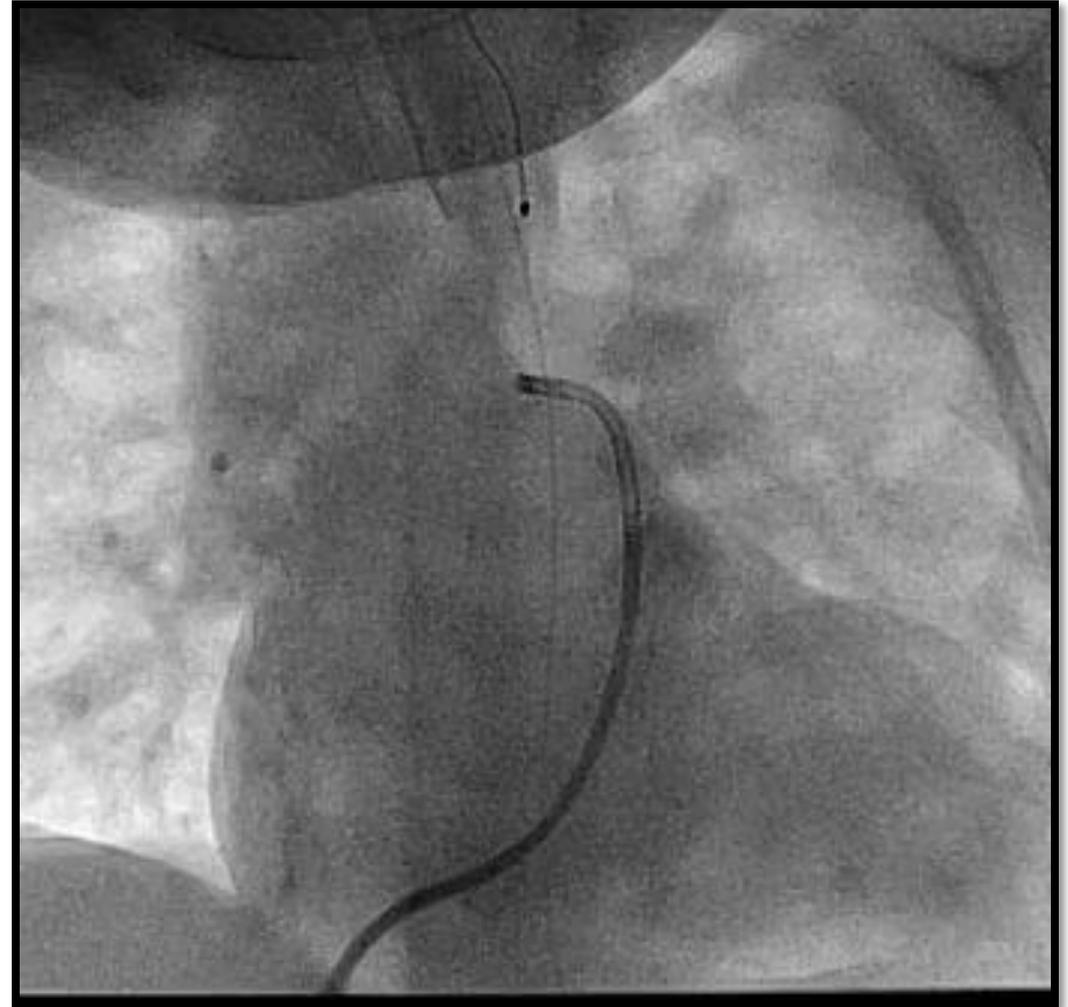
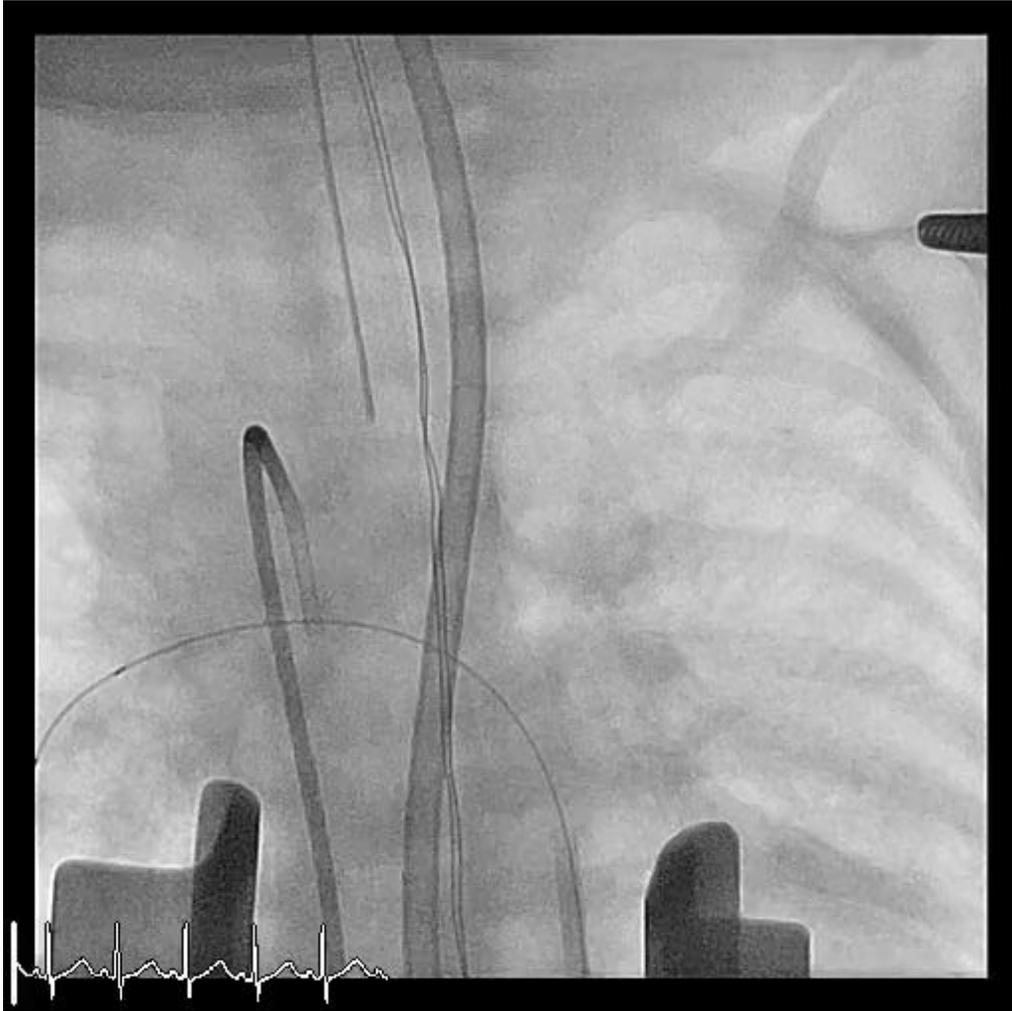
Hybrid Approach



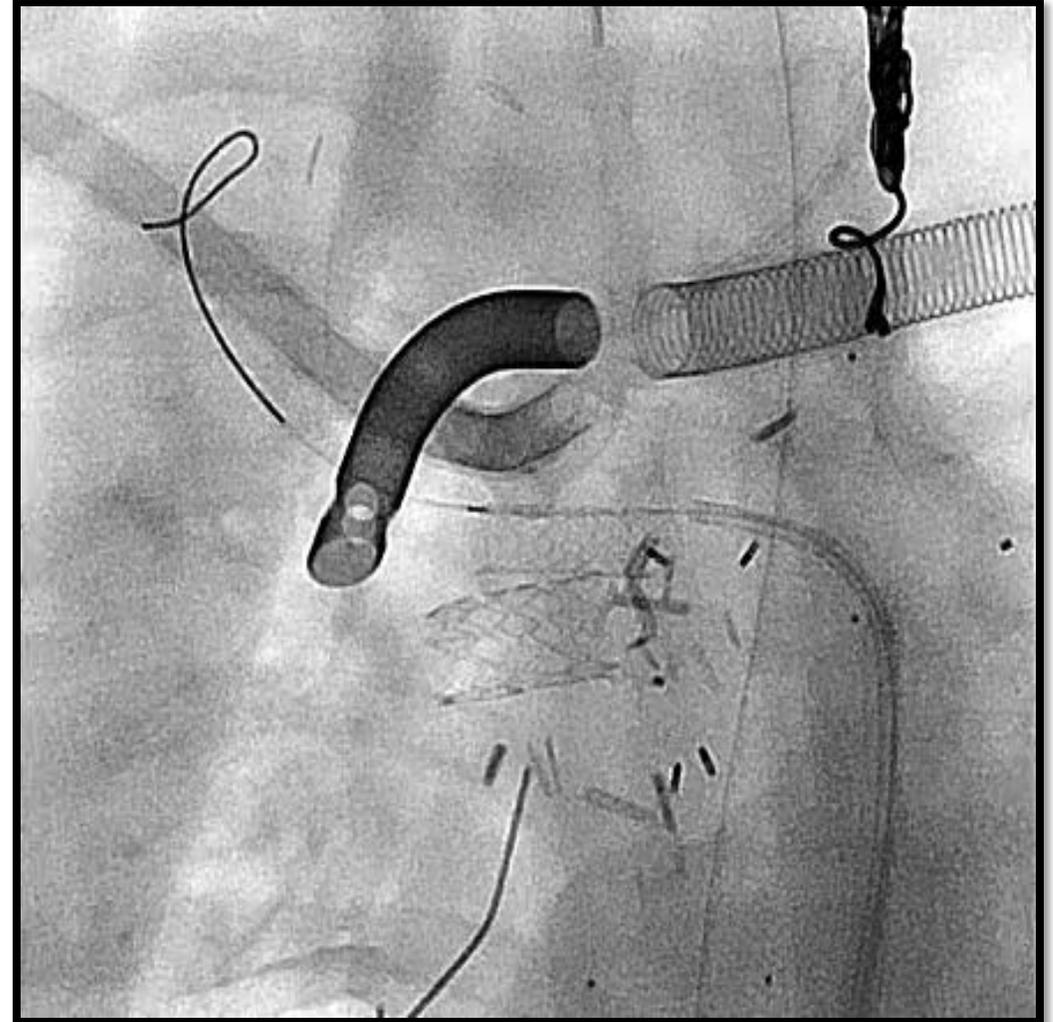
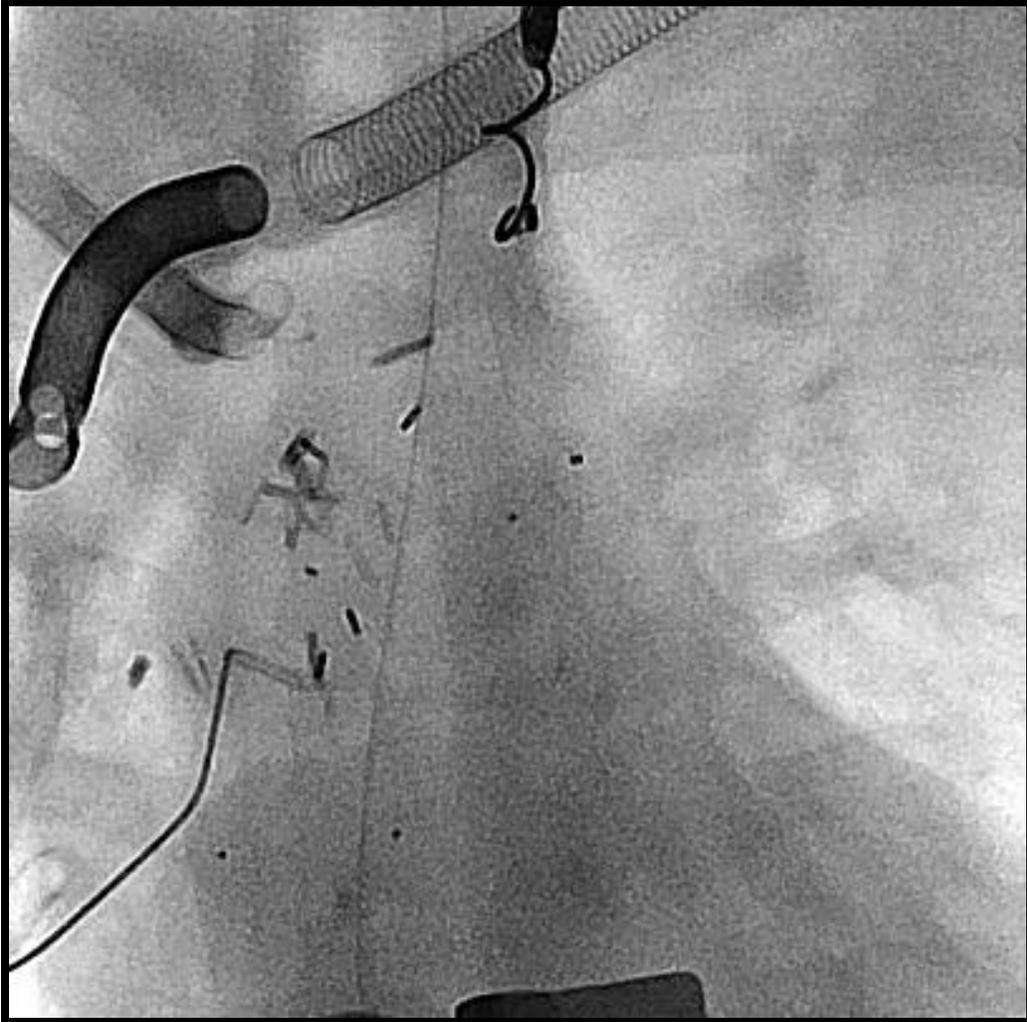
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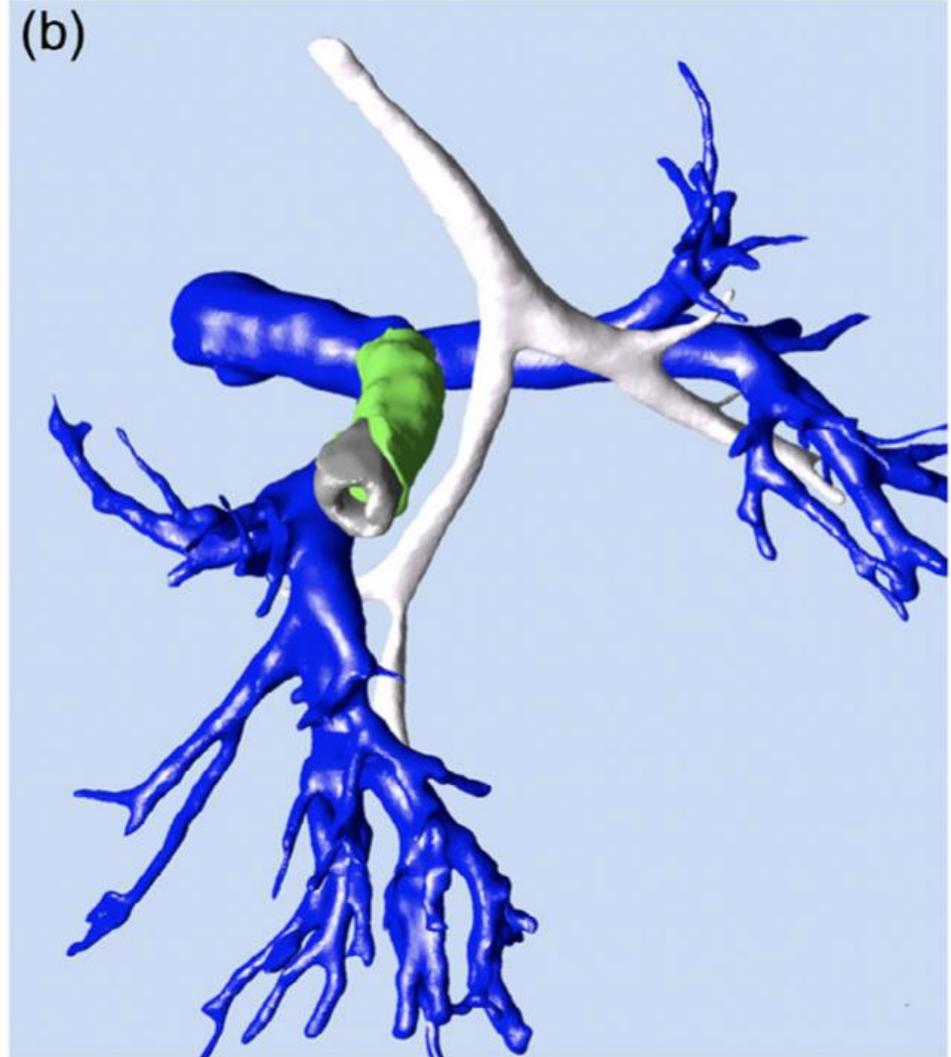
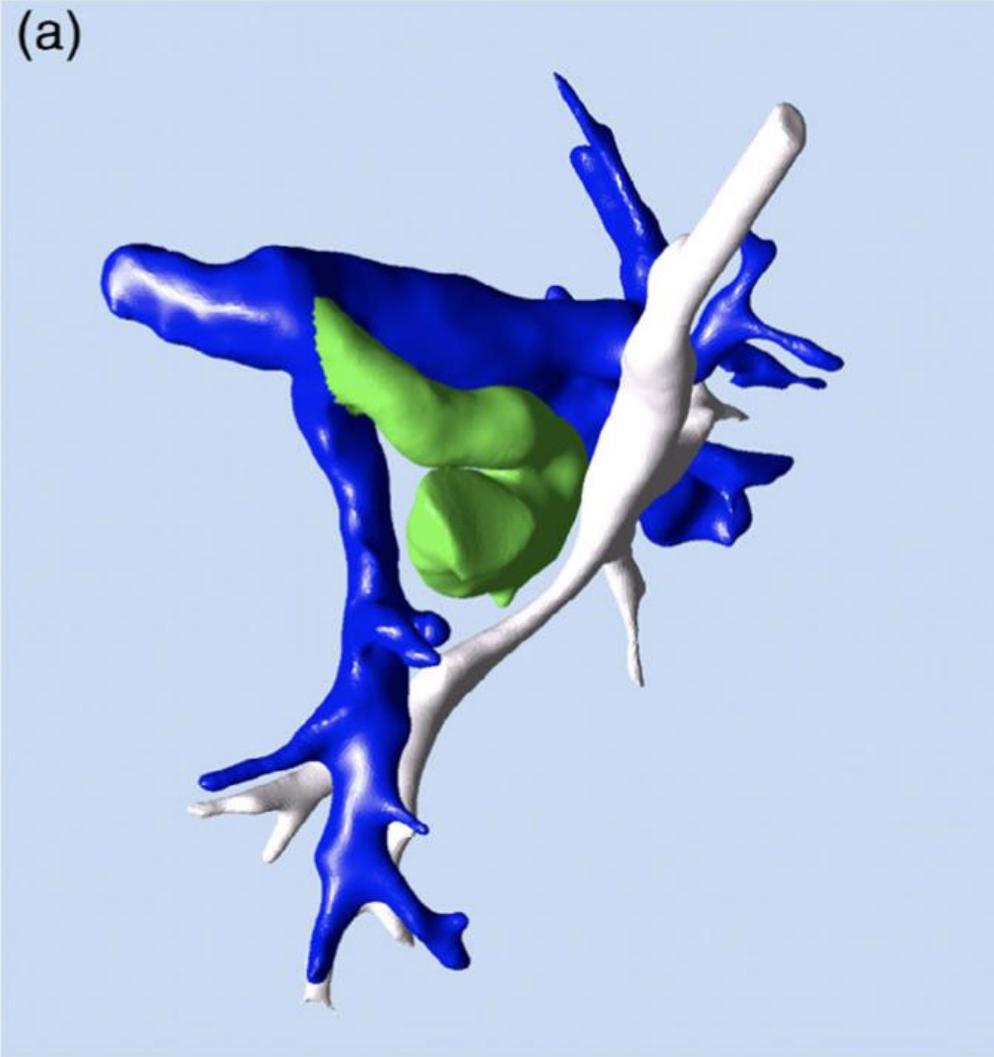


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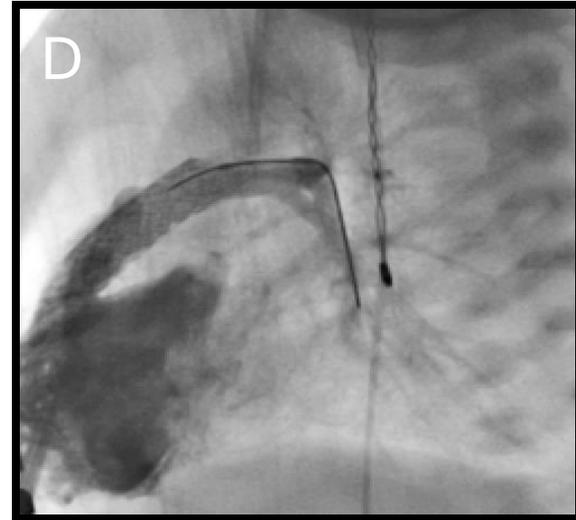
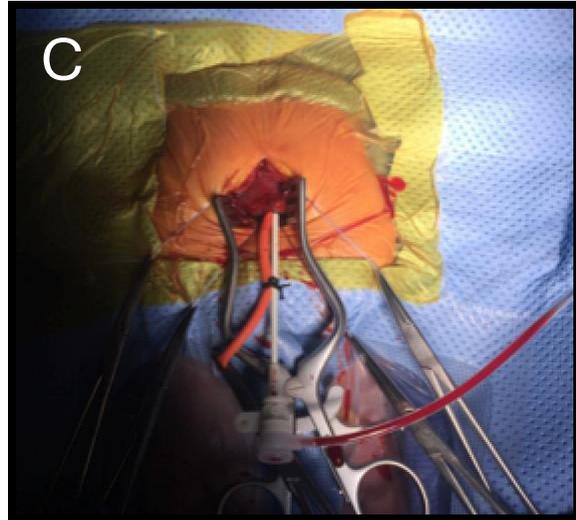
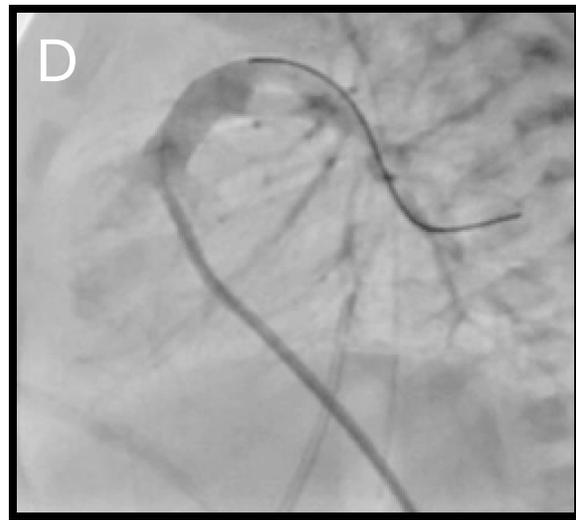
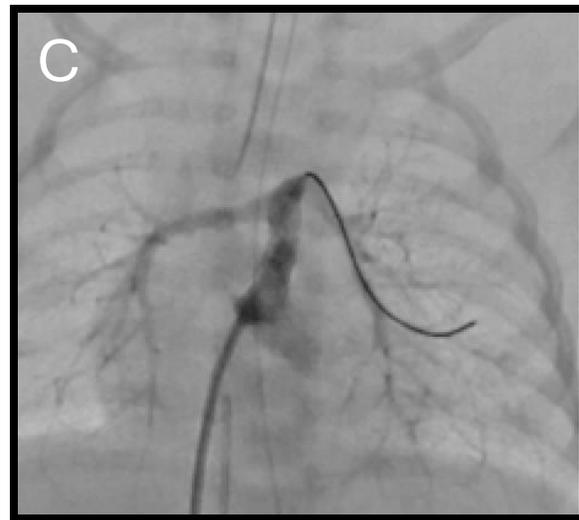
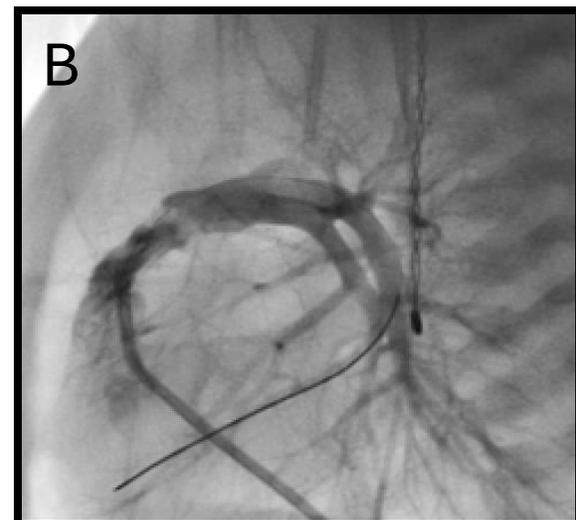
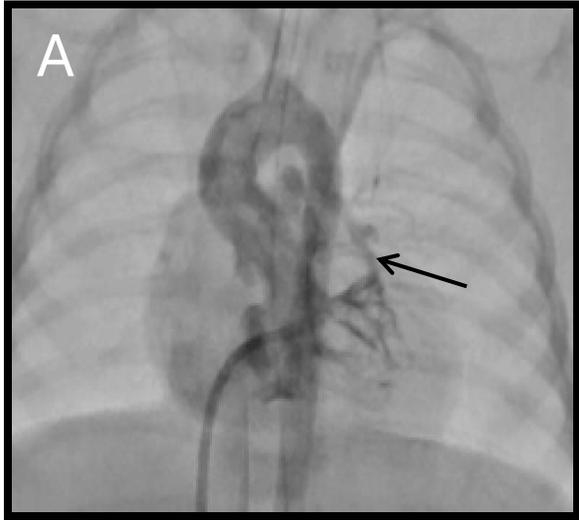


Final Result





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In Conclusion....

- Staged Repair in symptomatic infants...Indication!
- Intervention as primary approach
- RVOT stent preferable
- Patient specific factors – Collaborate!
- Avoid Myopic Thinking



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