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# Abnormal coronary arteries take off

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Conflict of interest: nothing to report

## ANOMalous connections of the CORonary arteries ANOCOR study

- an ongoing observational prospective study
- started on January 31, 2010
- cohort of young people  $\geq 15$  years or adults
- proximal anomalous connection of  $\geq$  one coronary artery
- end of the inclusion period on January 31, 2013
- last clinical follow-up on January 31, 2018

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- Rare abnormalities (5/1000 invasive CA)
- Lot of case reports
- Heterogeneous management
- Lack of established evidence-based guidelines
- Need of a risk stratification model
- Few prospective studies with large cohorts

(AAOCA / ANOCOR)

AAOCA: anomalous aortic origin of coronary artery

ANOCOR: anomalous connections of the coronary arteries

CA: coronary angiography

- Primary endpoint:
  - to determine the therapeutic strategy of diagnosed patients with ANOCOR
  
- Secondary endpoints:
  - to identify the circumstances of diagnosis
  - to describe the frequency of each type of ANOCOR
  - to evaluate the morbimortality in the follow-up period according to the initial therapeutic strategy

Recruited patients  
n = 490

- Non enrolled patients  
n = 12
- 6 non ANOCOR
  - 4 anatomical variants
  - 1 doubleton
  - 1 out of time

Non analysed patients  
n = 17

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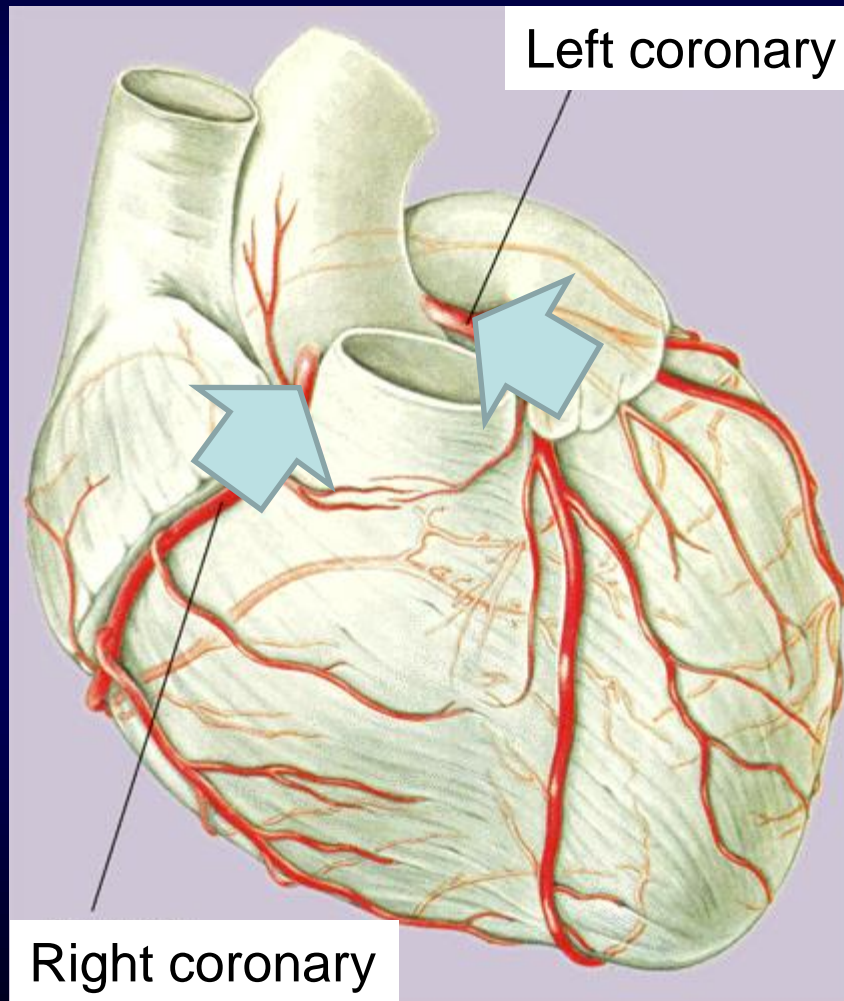
Enrolled patients  
n = 461

# Anomalous connections of the coronary arteries

Old and current concepts

## Anomalous connections of the coronary artery

Endothelial outgrowth from the aorta ?  
Endothelial ingrowth from the peritruncal ring ?

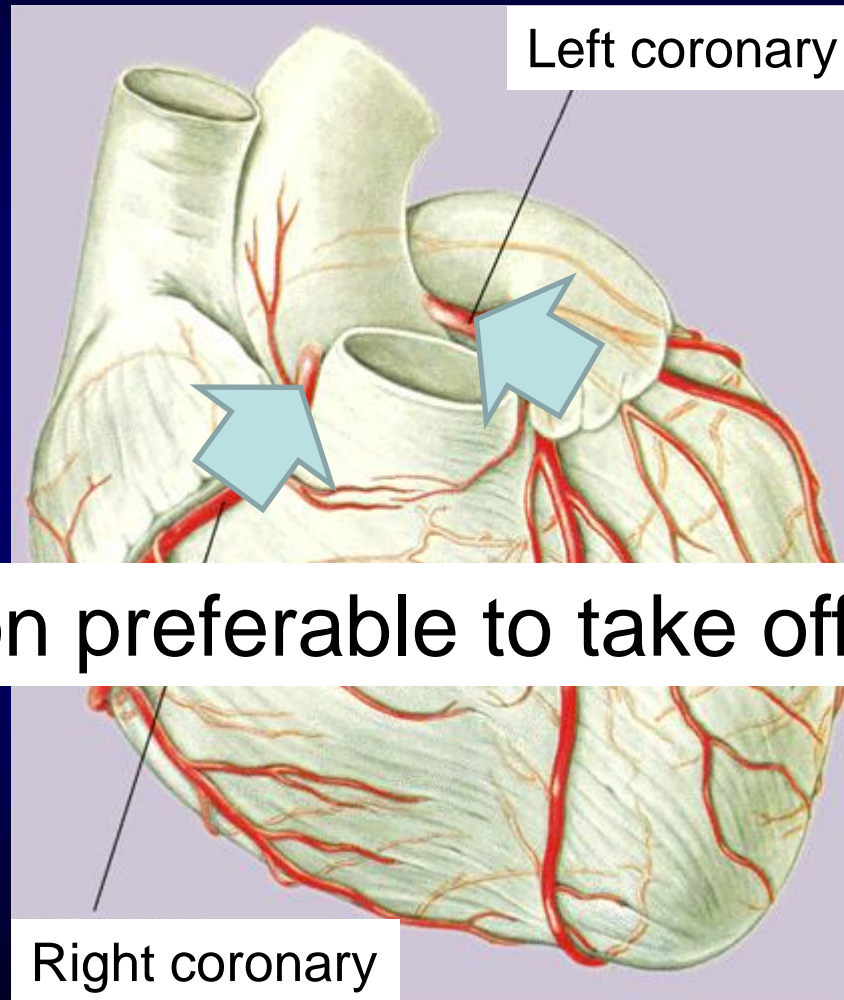




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Endothelial outgrowth from the aorta

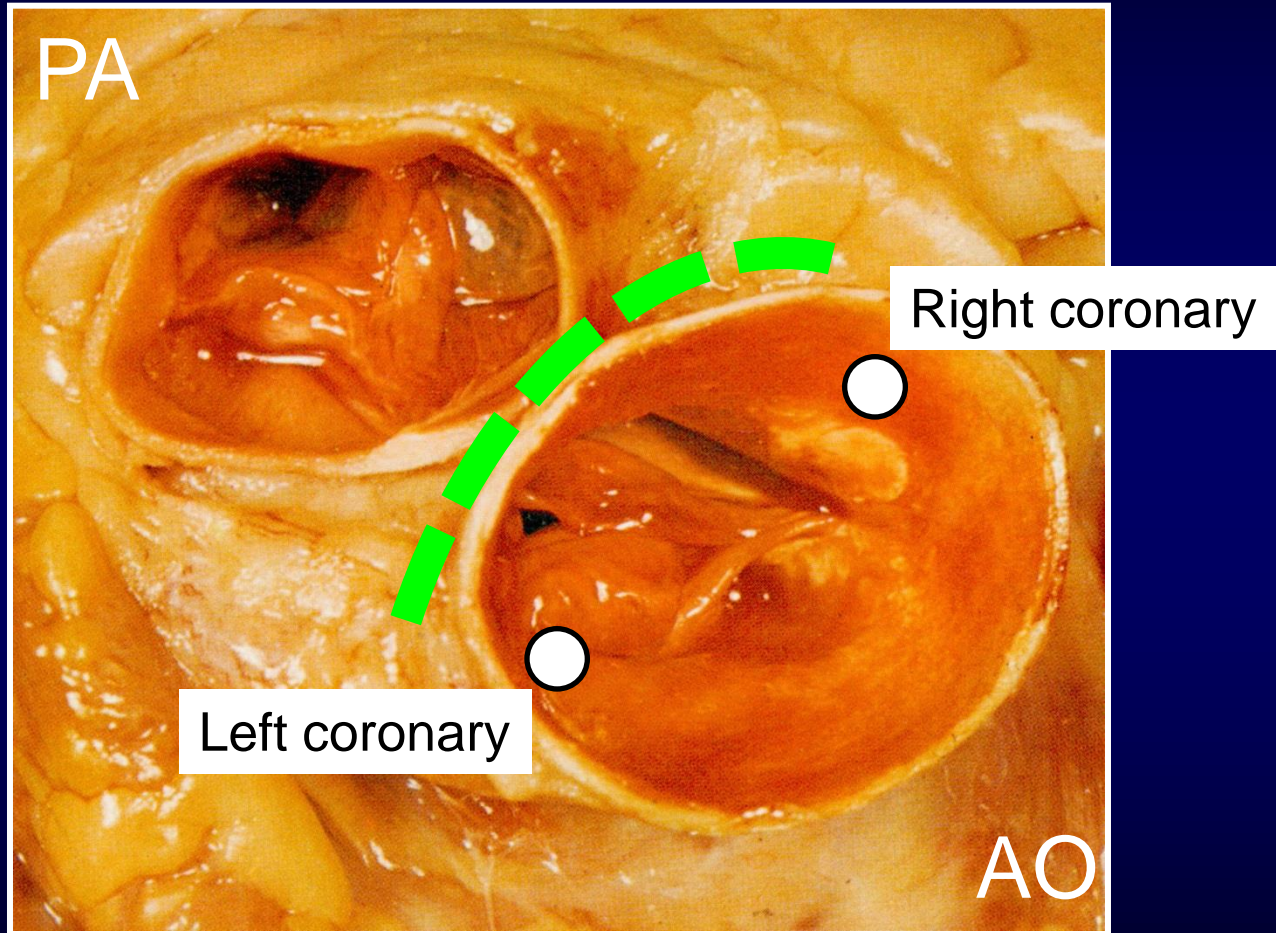
Endothelial ingrowth from the peritruncal ring



Connection preferable to take off or origin

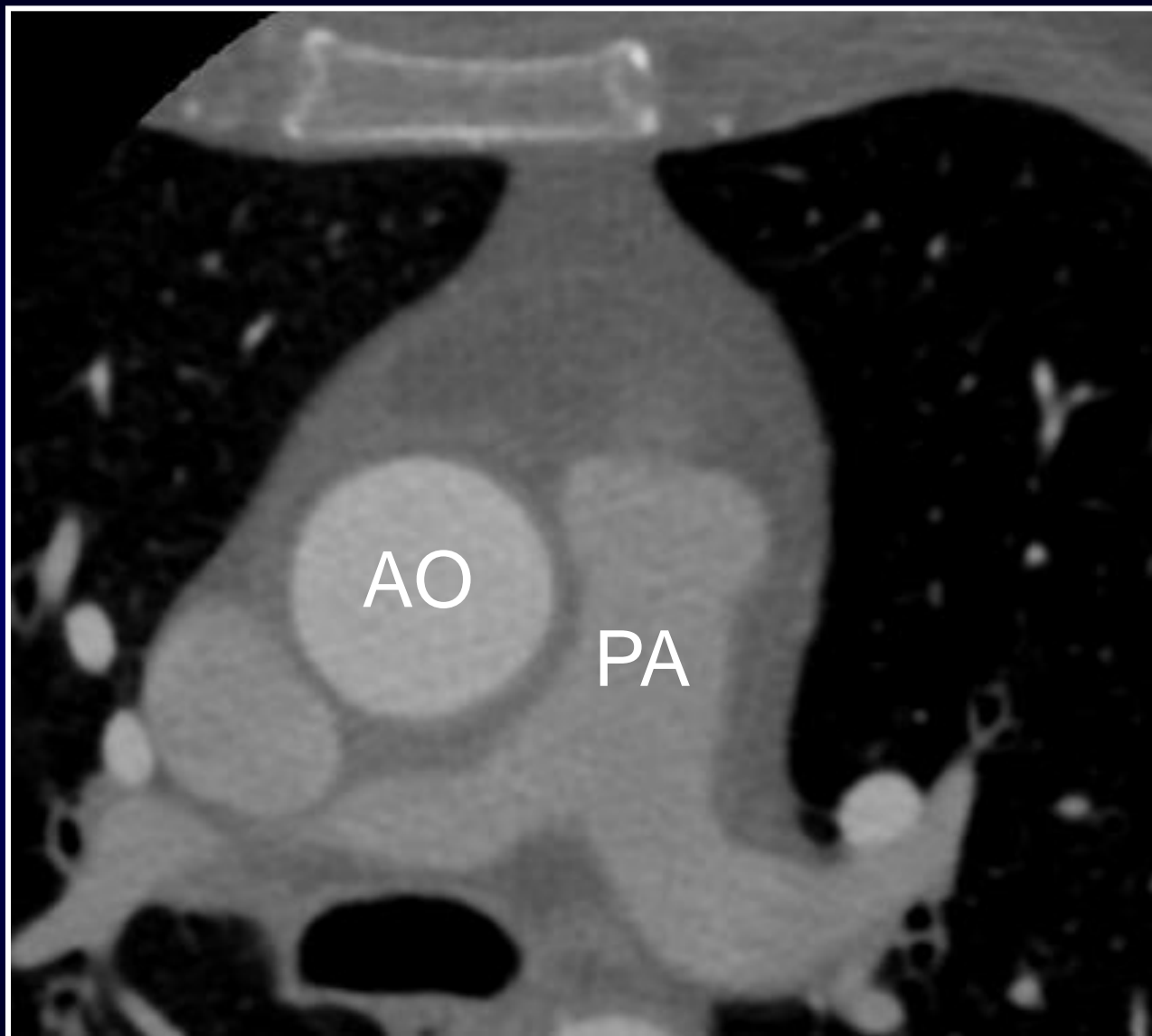
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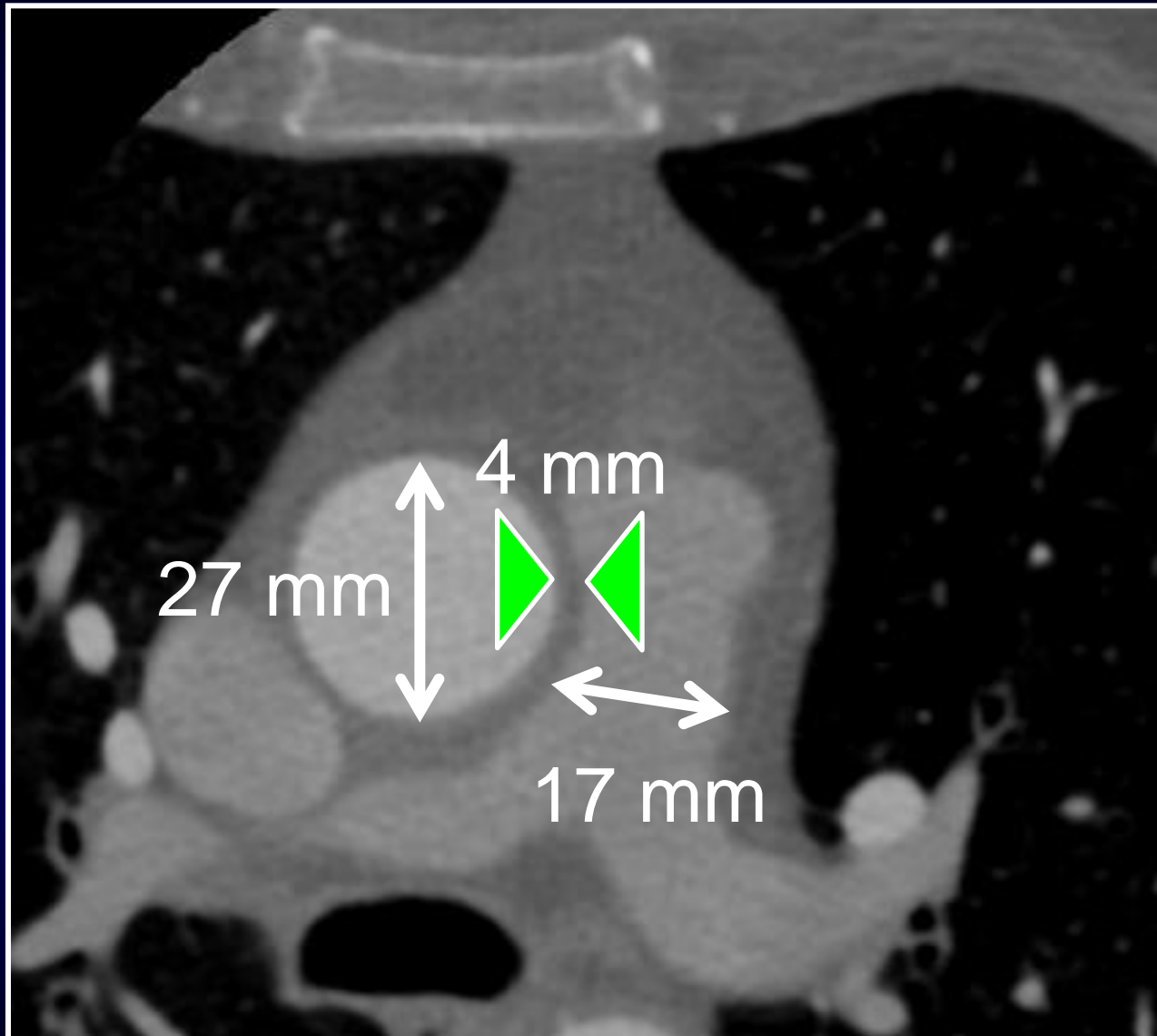


POSTERIOR

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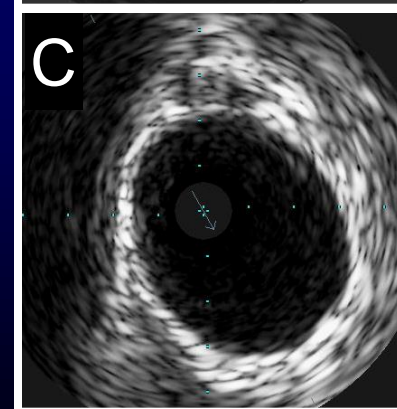
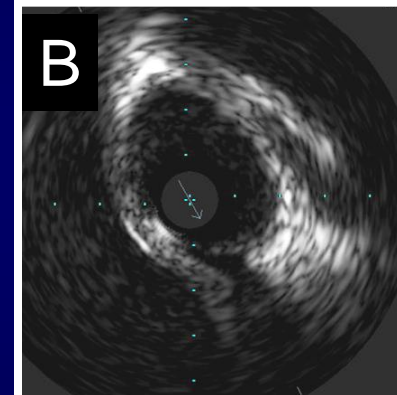
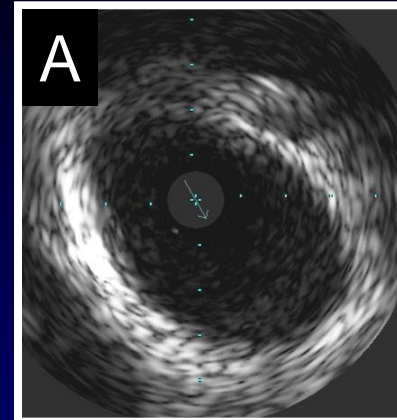
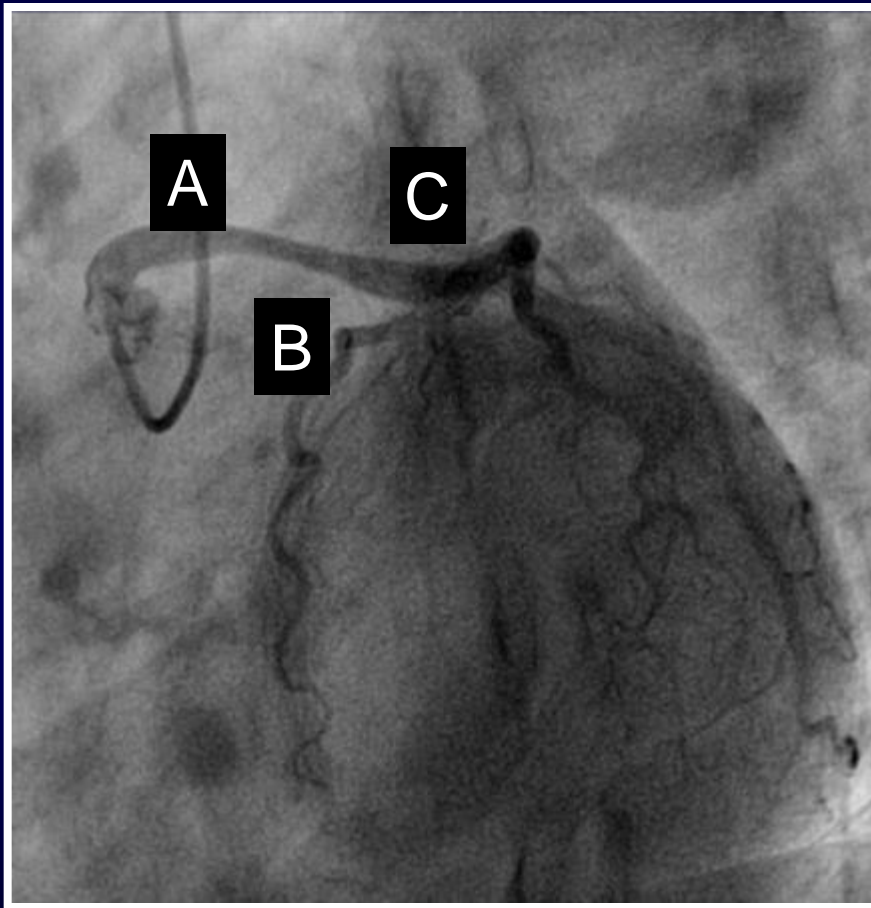
Lumen area reduction



Arterial compression  
or  
Arterial deformation?

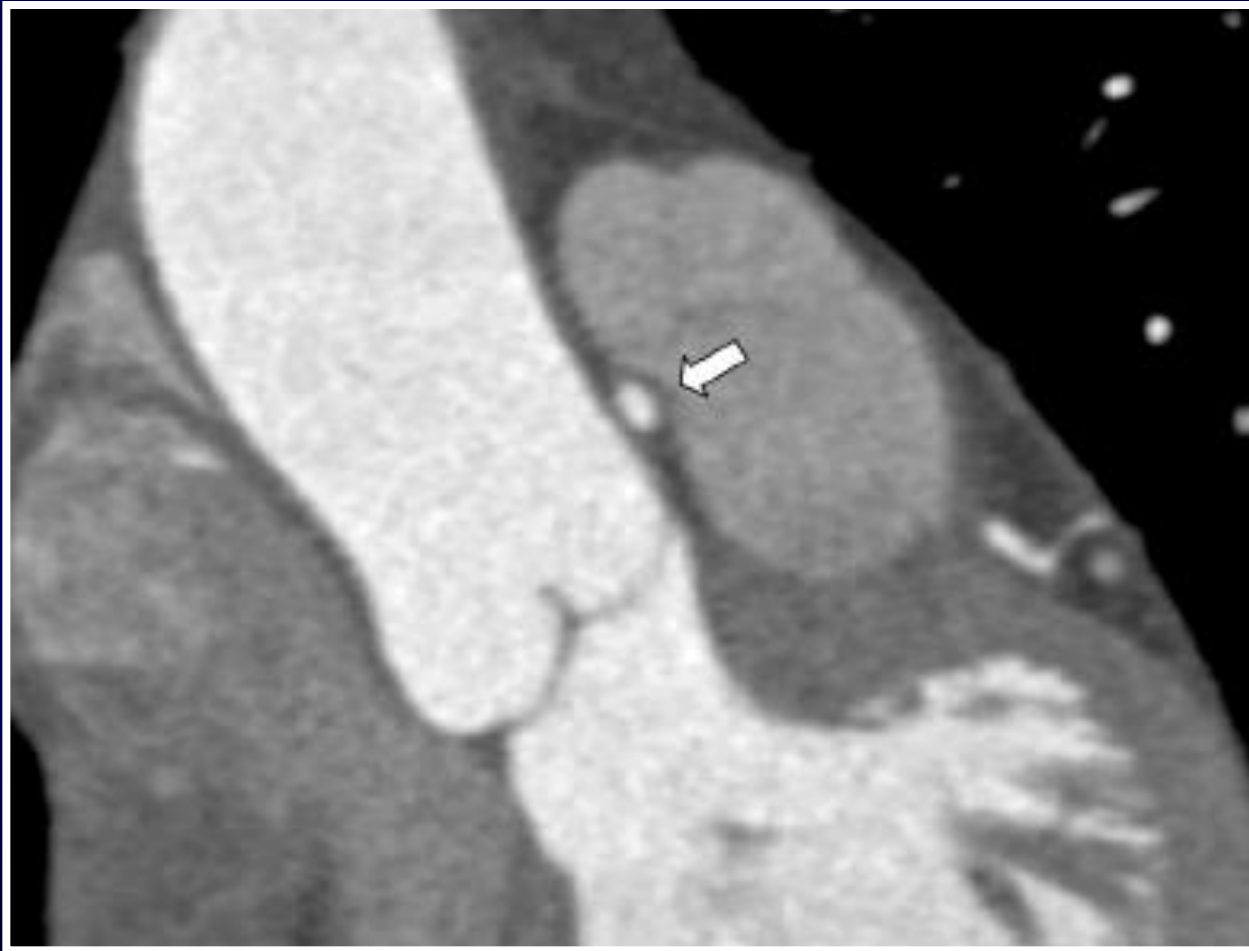
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Anomalous connection of the left main



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Anomalous connection of the right coronary artery

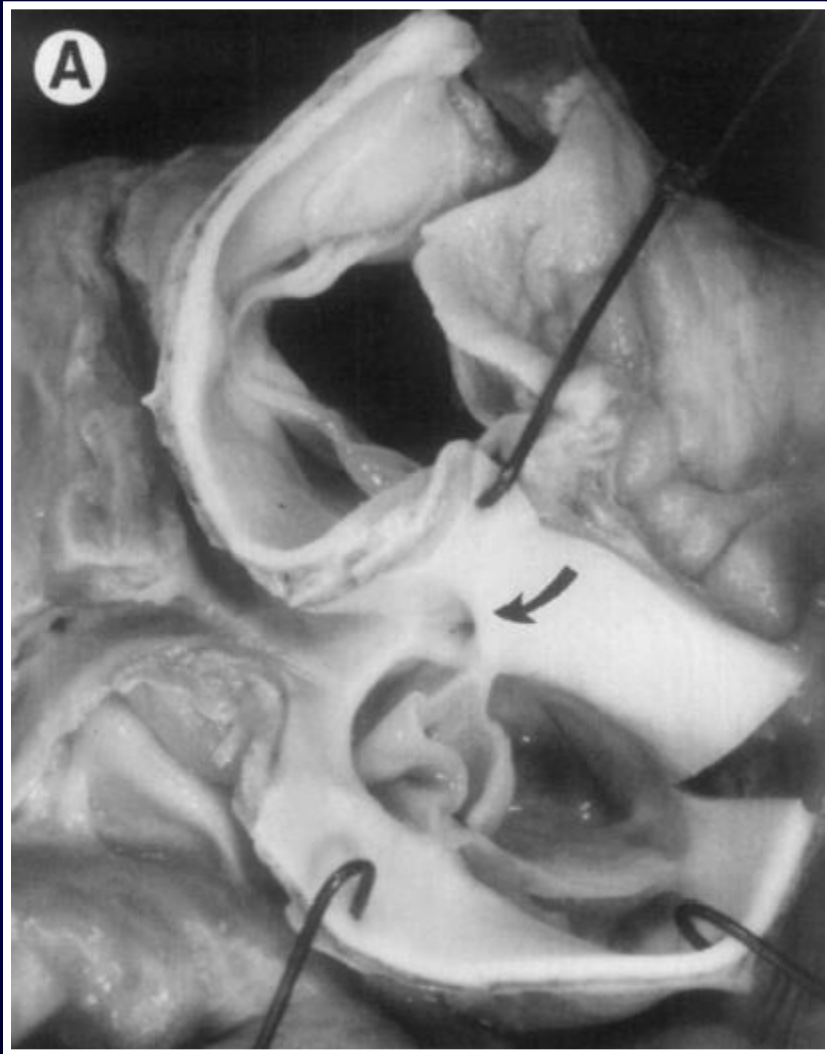


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Intramural pathway



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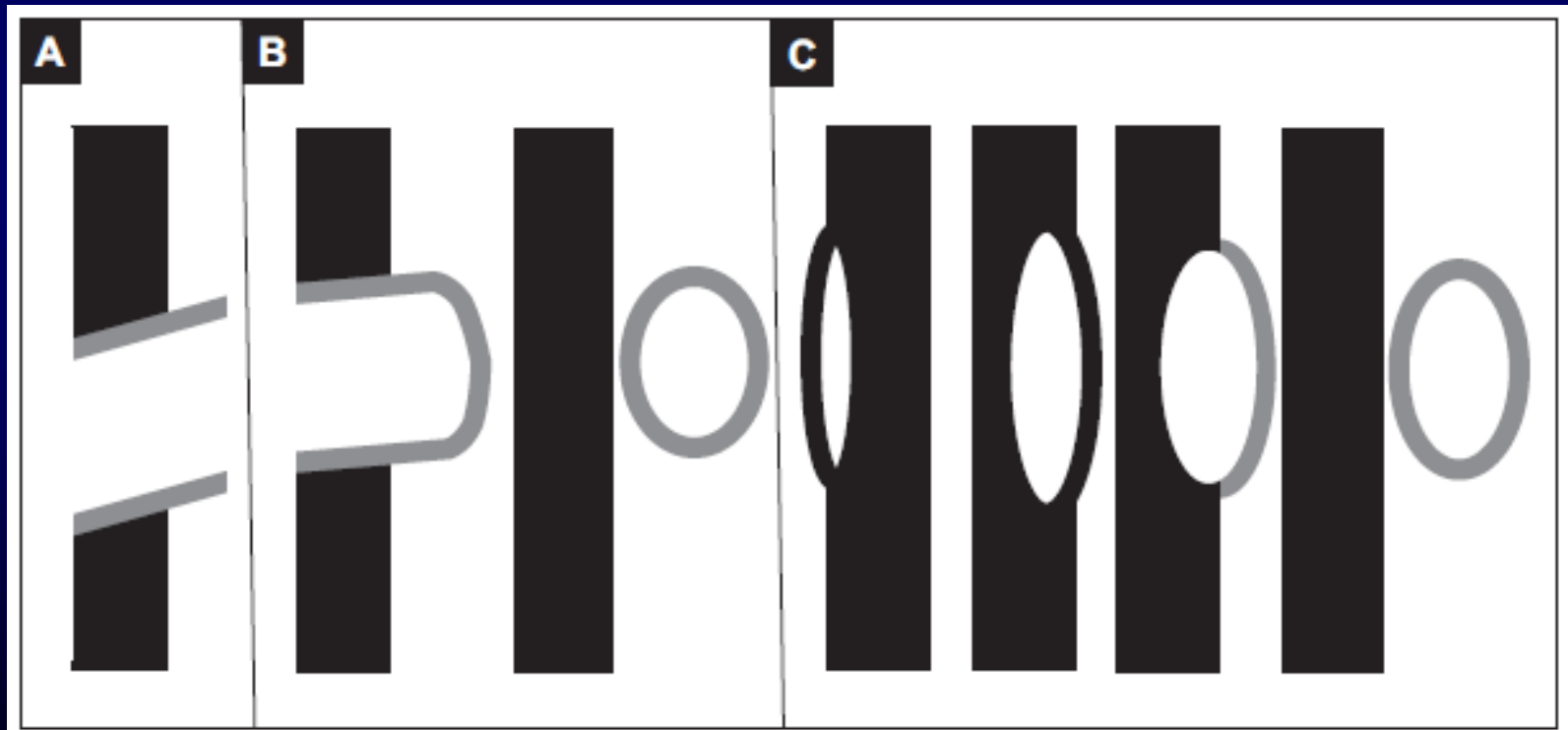
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## Intramural pathway

A : normal connection

B : connection with preaortic course and without intramural pathway

C : connection with preaortic course and intramural pathway



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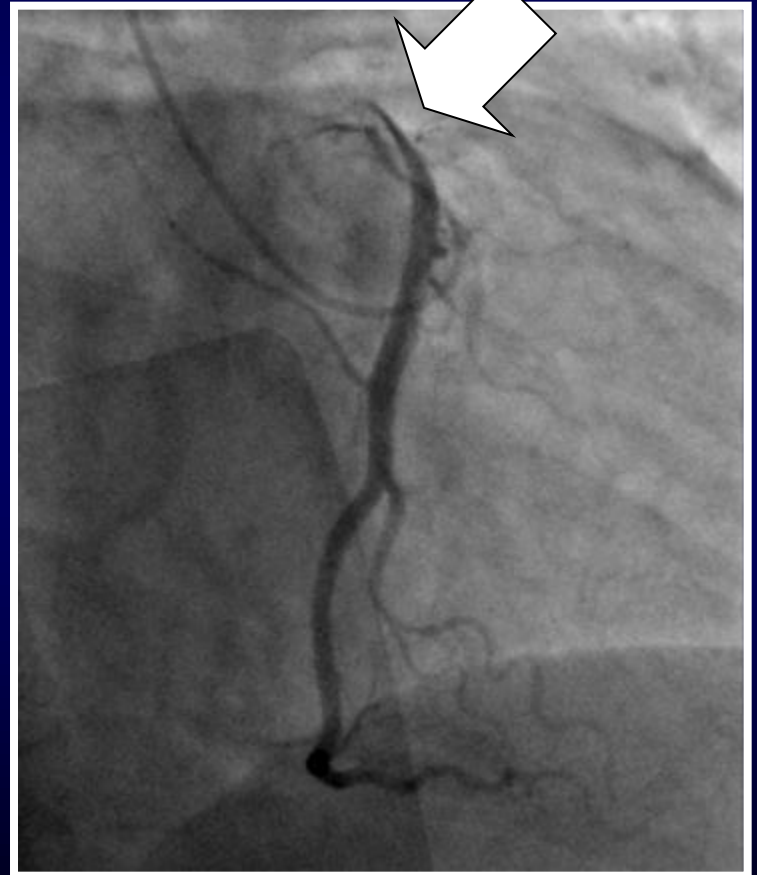
## Suspected intramural pathway

Anomalous connection of the right artery

CT scan axial view



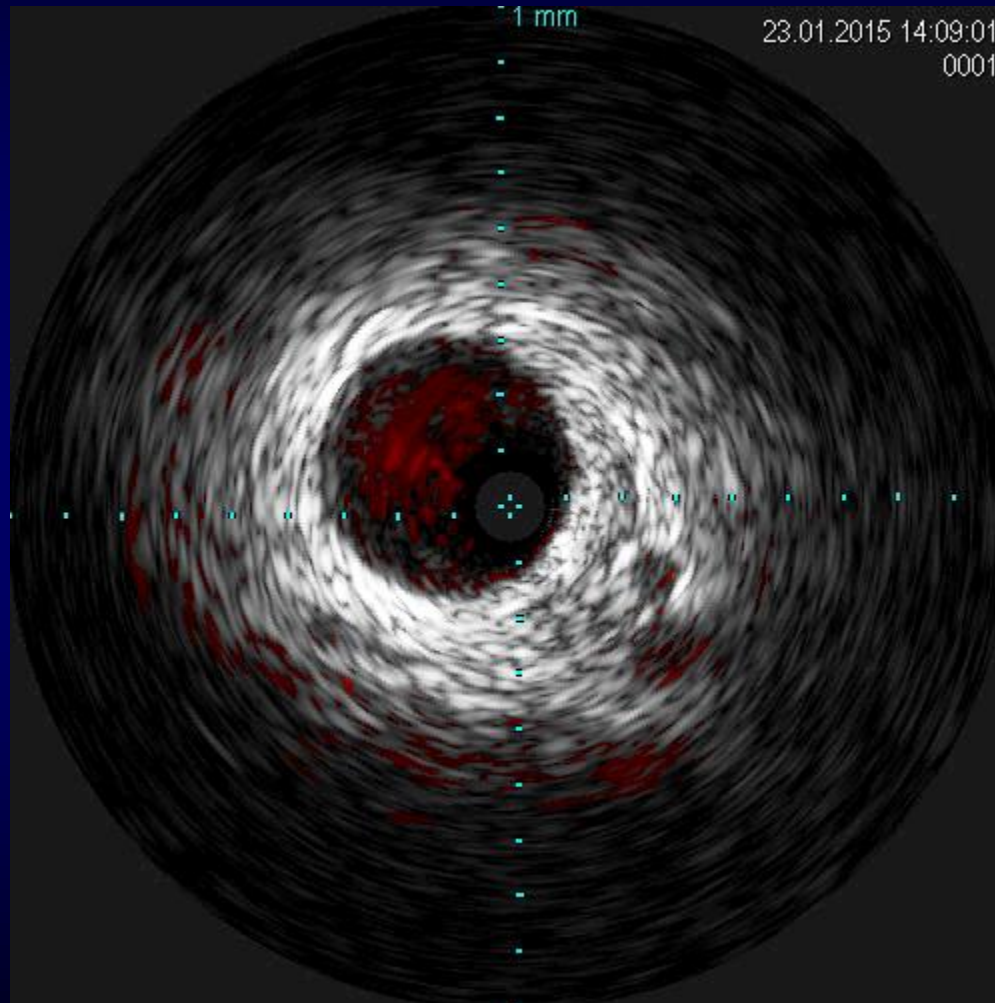
Right anterior oblique > 30°



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## Confirmed intramural pathway

Anomalous connection of the right coronary artery

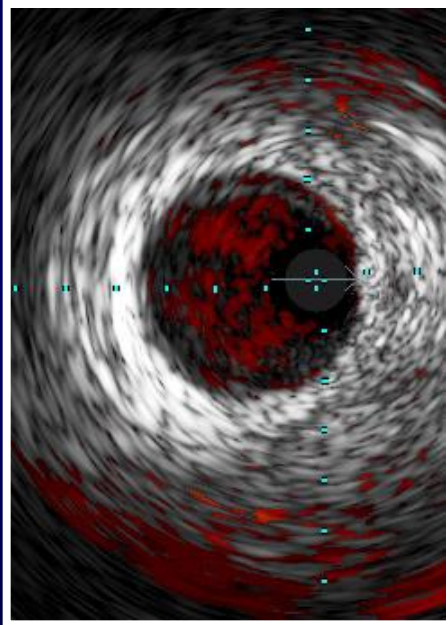


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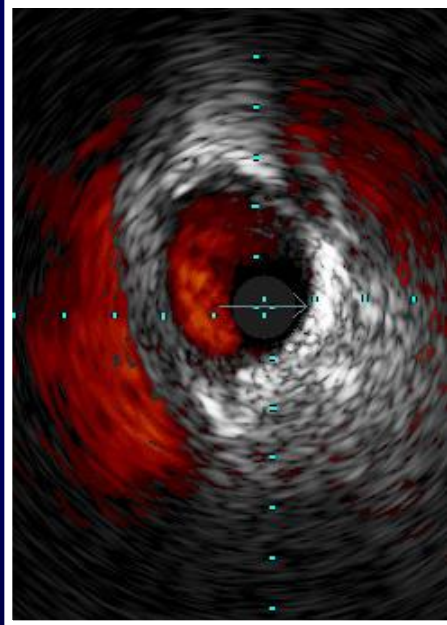
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Anomalous connection of the right coronary artery  
IVUS analysis

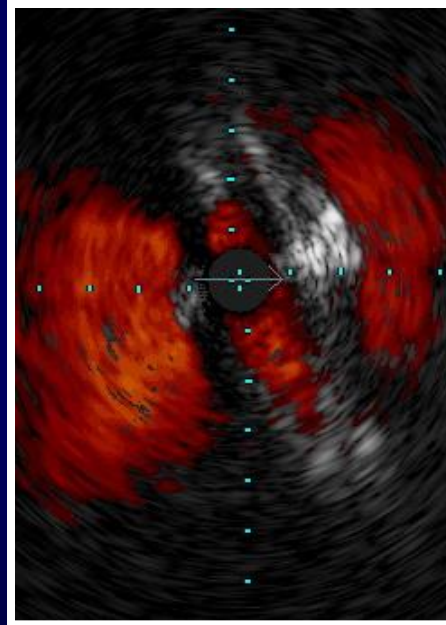
extramural



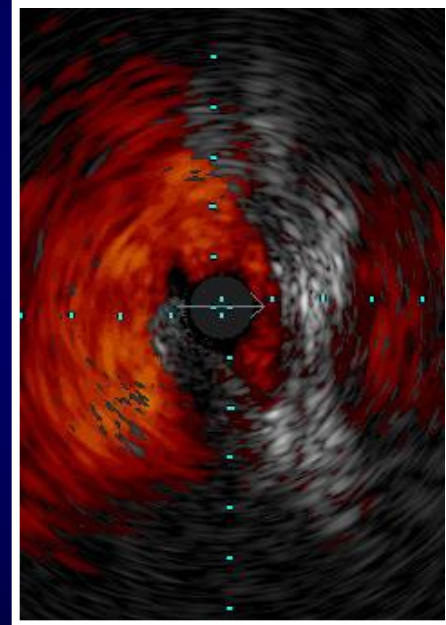
juxtamural



intramural



ostium

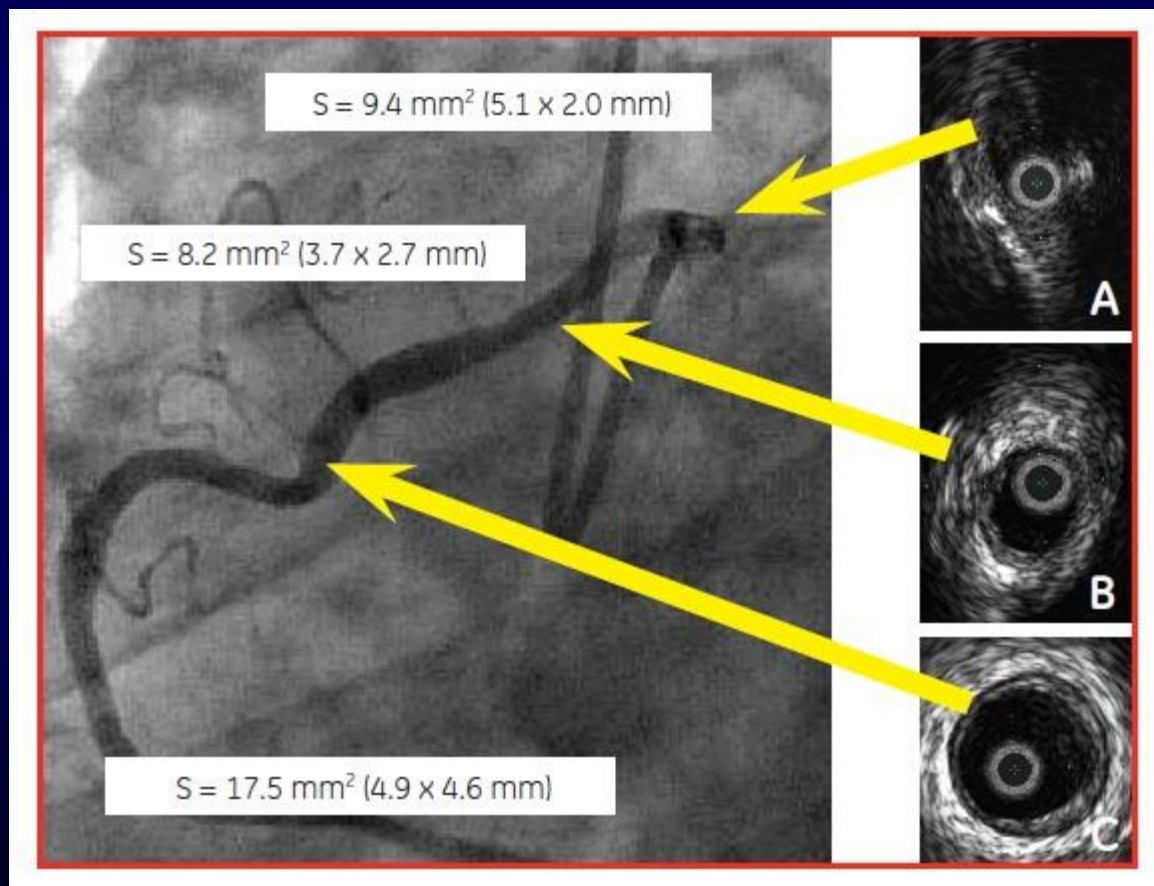


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## Analysis of the lumen area

Anomalous connection of the right coronary artery

Maximal lumen area reduction = 46%

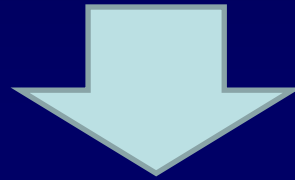


intramural segment

juxtamural segment

extramural segment

Interarterial course or  
interaorticopulmonary course



A good definition?

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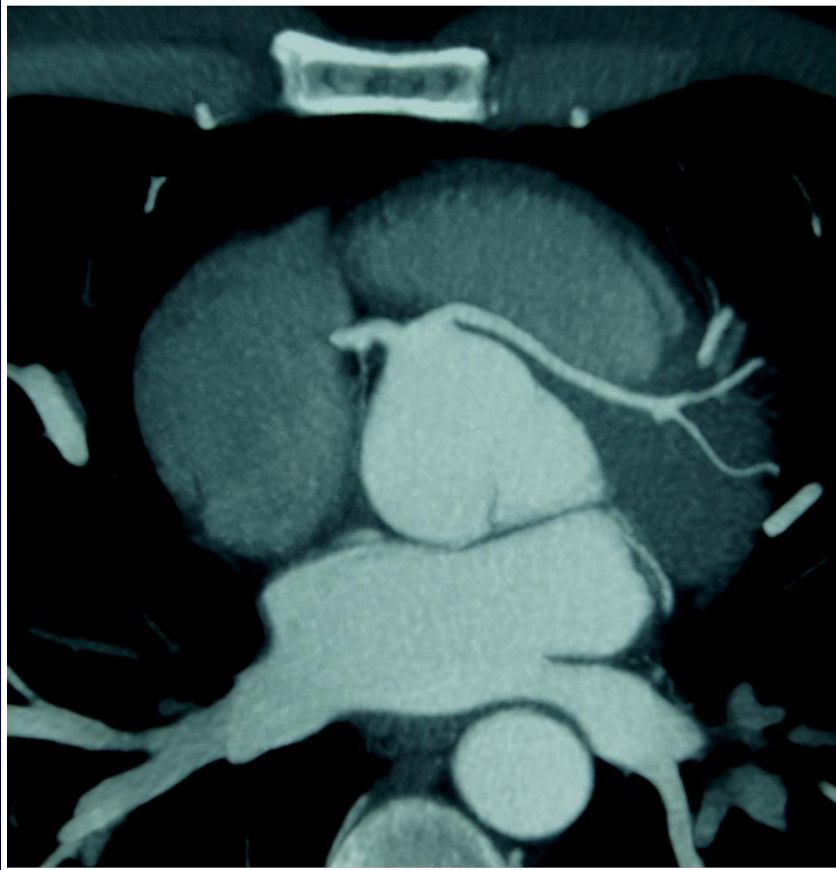
# Classification of ectopic courses





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ANOCOR with low risk

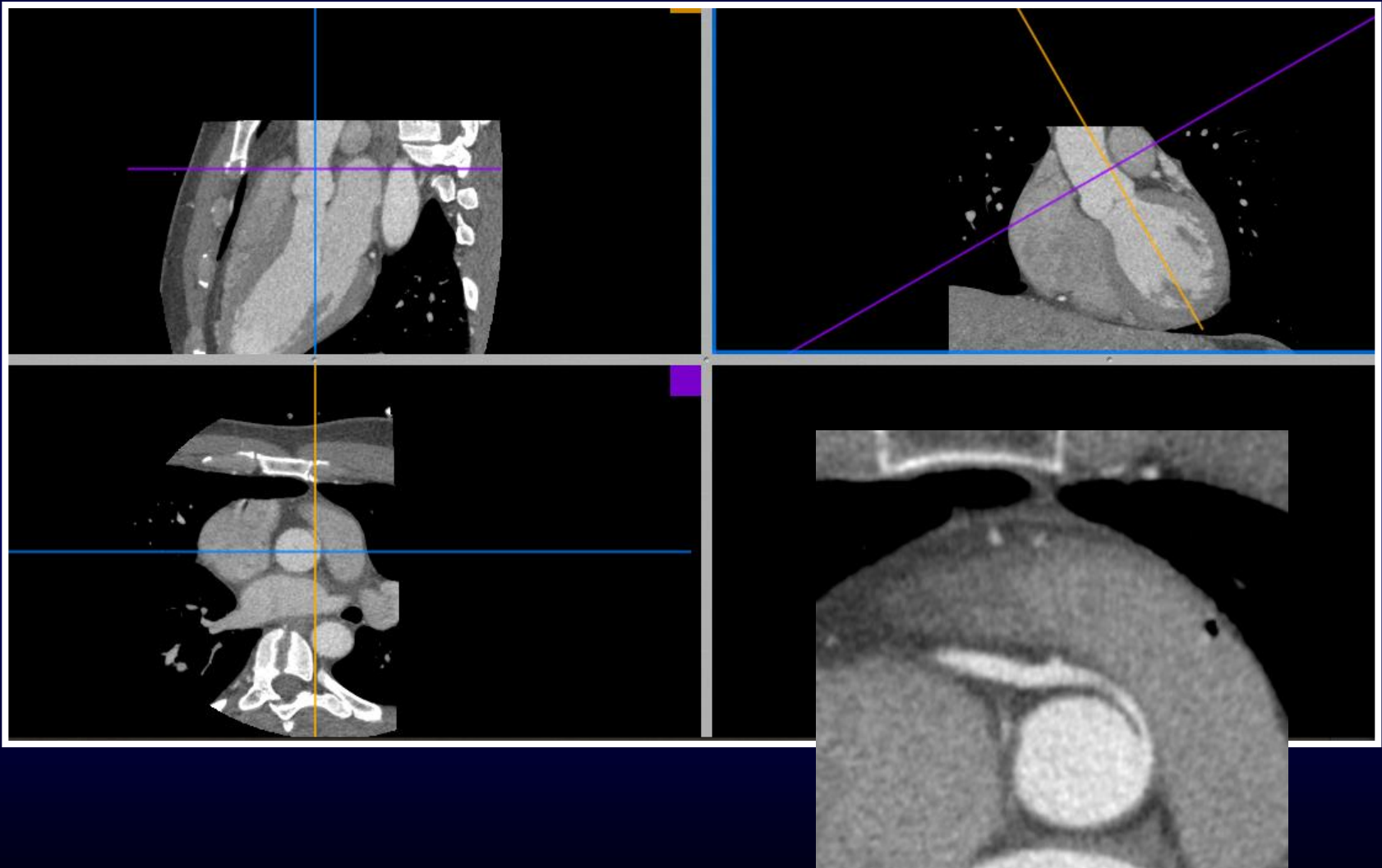


ANOCOR with high risk

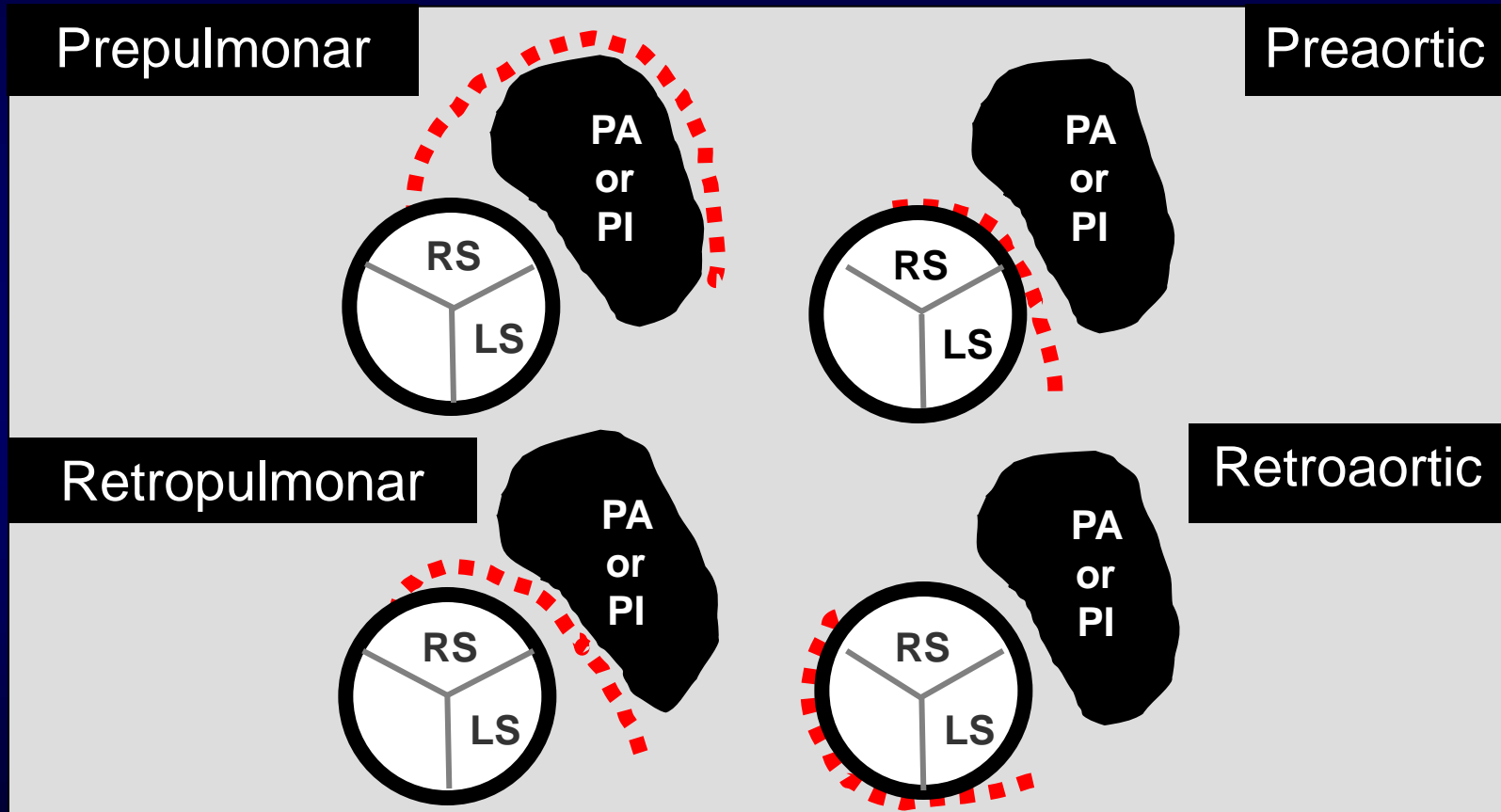
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# Analysis of ectopic course with CT scan

Anomalous connection of the right coronary artery



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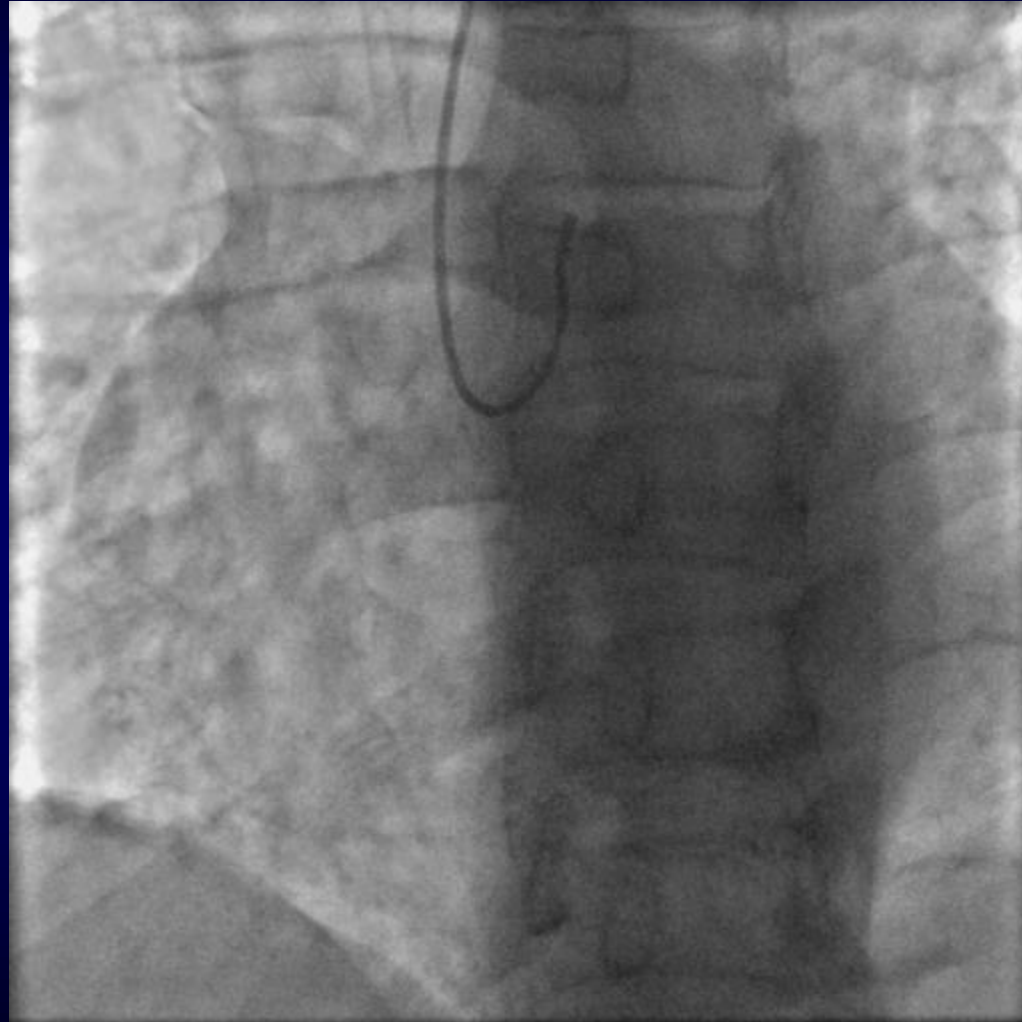


PA: pulmonary artery, PI : pulmonary infundibulum  
 LS: left sinus, RS: right sinus

**Catheterization of  
a right coronary artery connected  
with the left coronary sinus**

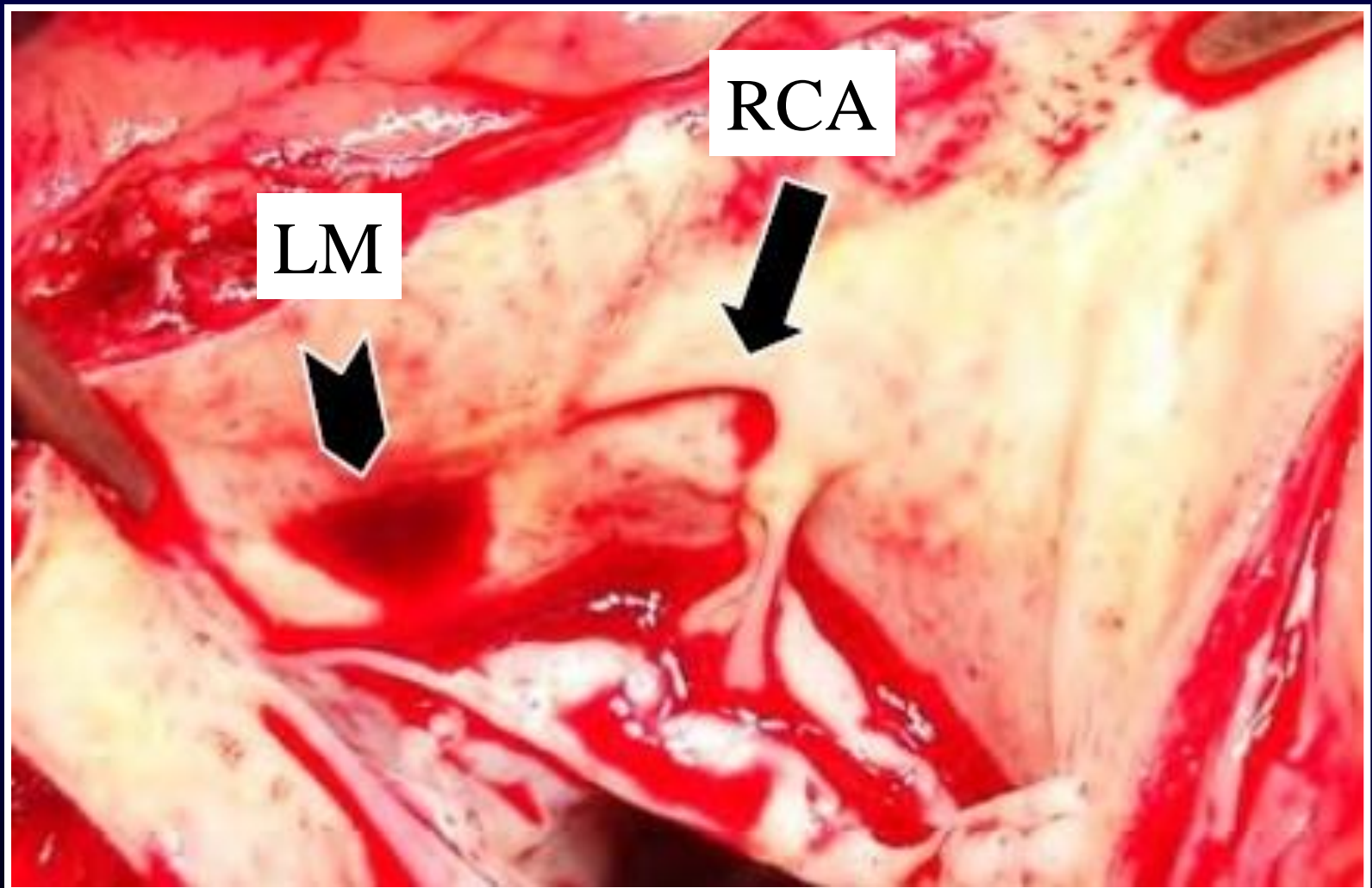
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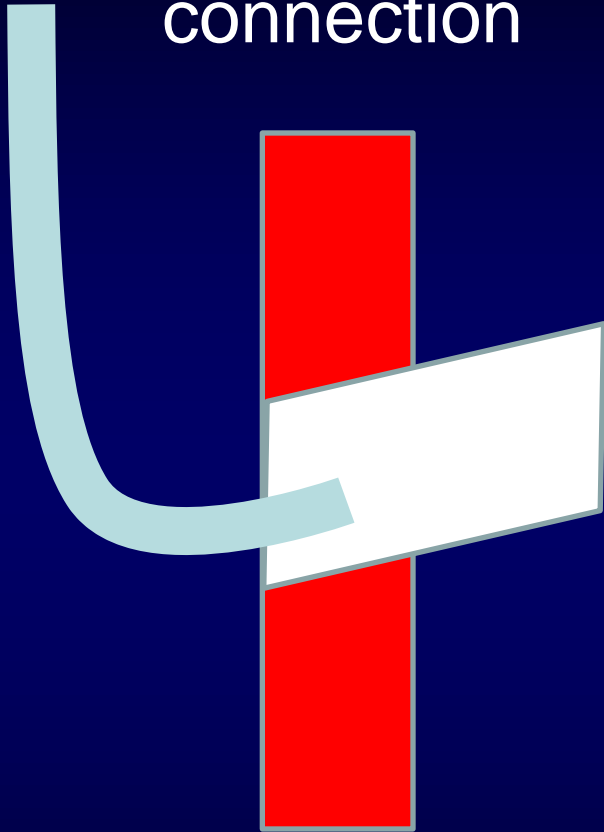
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Anomalous connection of a right coronary artery with an intramural pathway

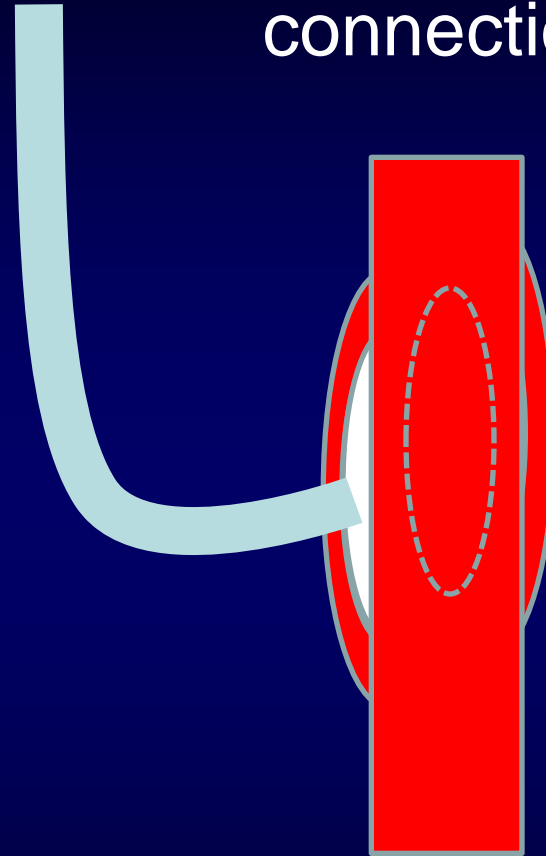


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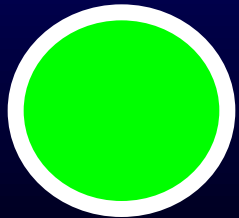
normal  
connection



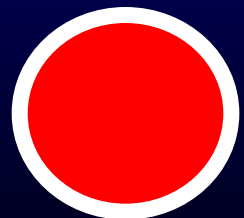
ectopic  
connection



cannulation with  
coaxial position



cannulation with  
coaxial position



## Anomalous connections of the coronary arteries

Catherization of anomalous connection of a right coronary artery connected with the left coronary sinus

### My technique

(in case of inadequate opacification with usual technique)

1. Left anterior oblique 30° projection
2. Use of 6F guiding catheters
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4. Cannulation of the left ostium
5. Push the catheter gently to extubate from the ostium
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