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Aortic Case

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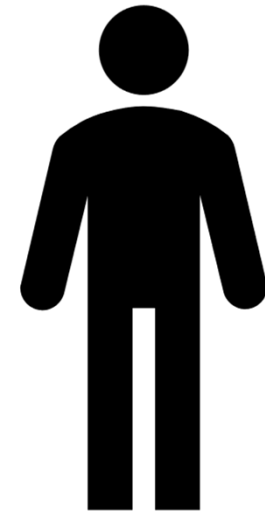
Identification & PMHx

Identification

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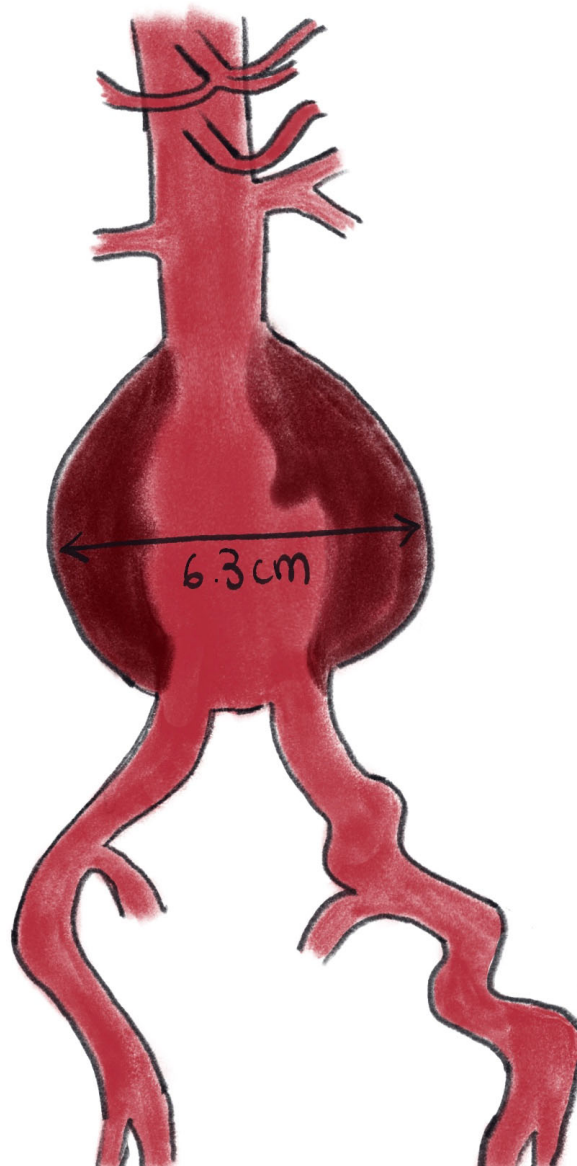
PMHx

- DMII, DLP, HTN, AF (Apixaban), COPD, past smoker
- CAD: Anterior MI 1990, CABG 2000, NSTEMI I (in recent years)
- Partial gastrectomy Billroth II (1982)
- Choledocholithiasis with cholangitis (2021)



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2009: Infrarenal AAA



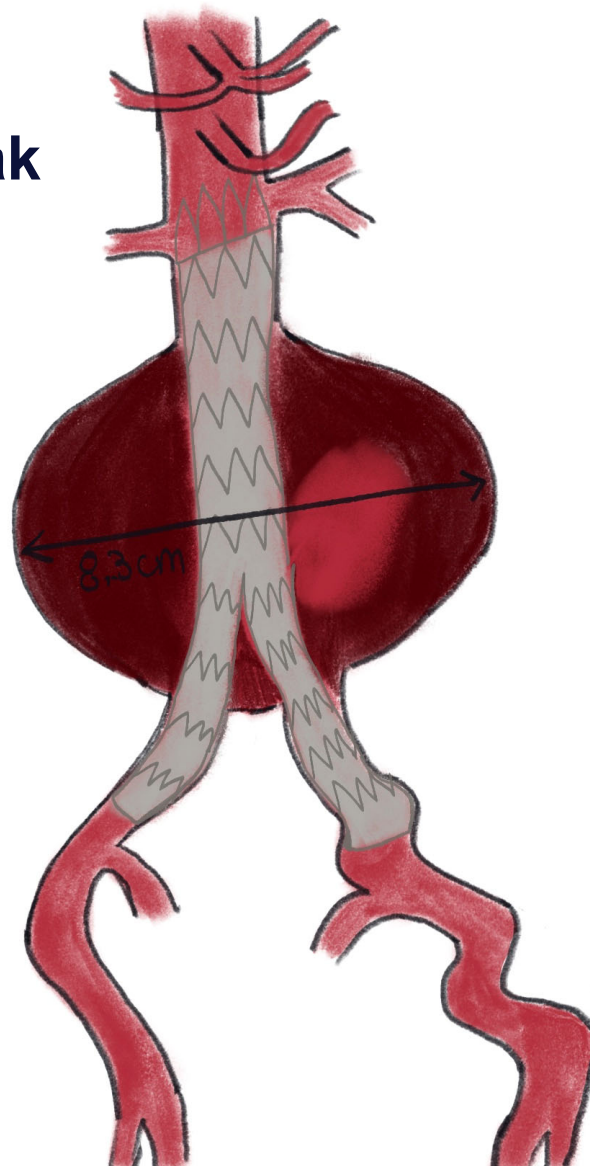
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EVAR in Russia



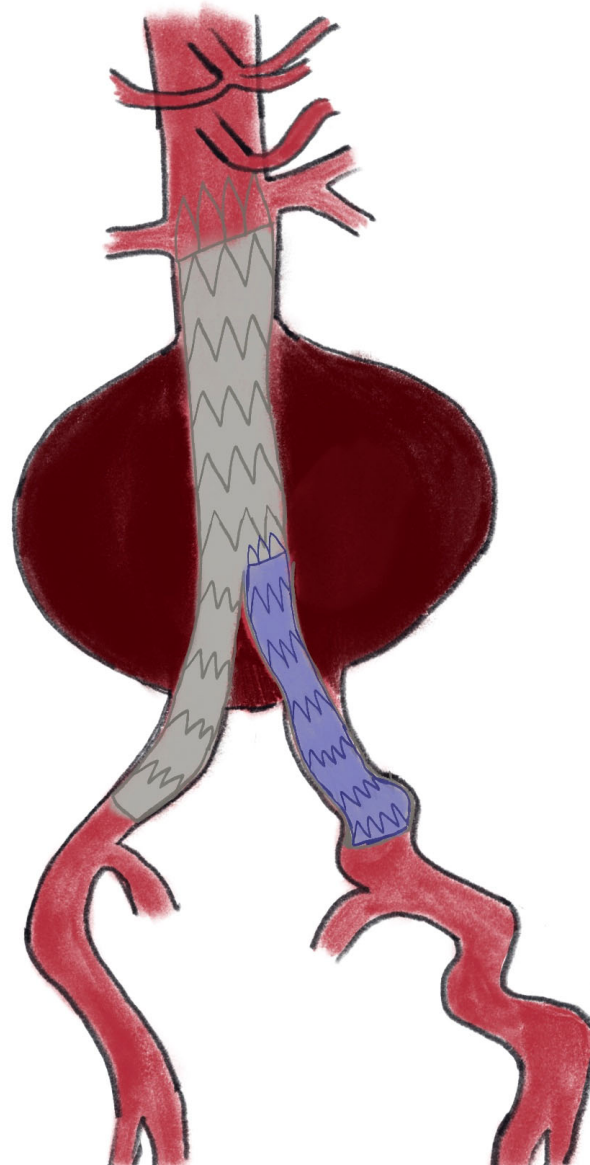
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2013: Type III Endoleak



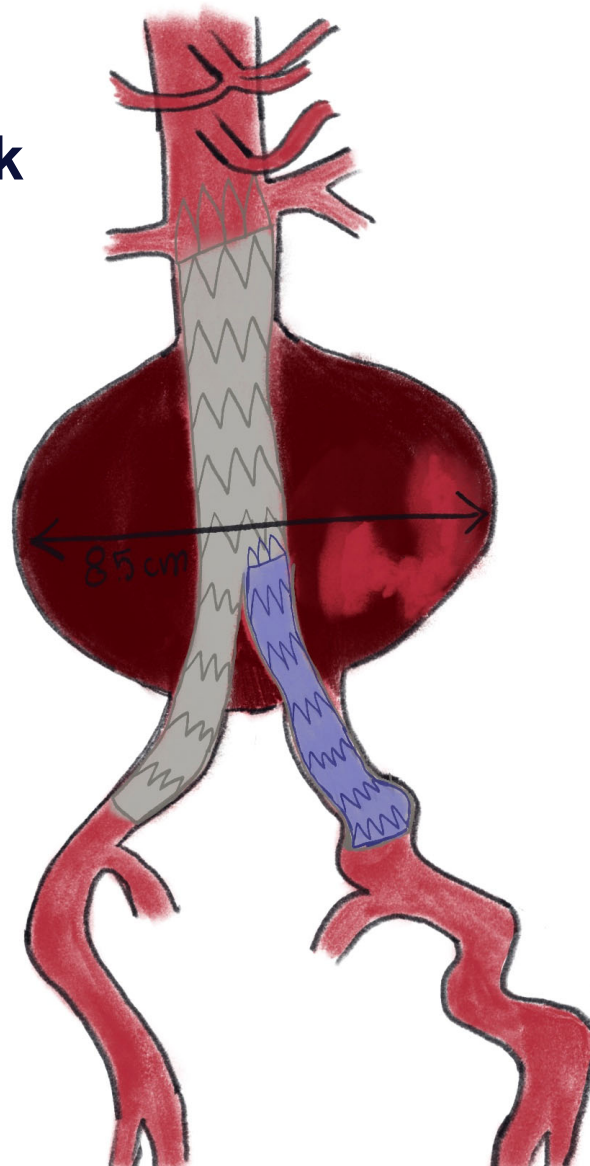
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Endograft Relining



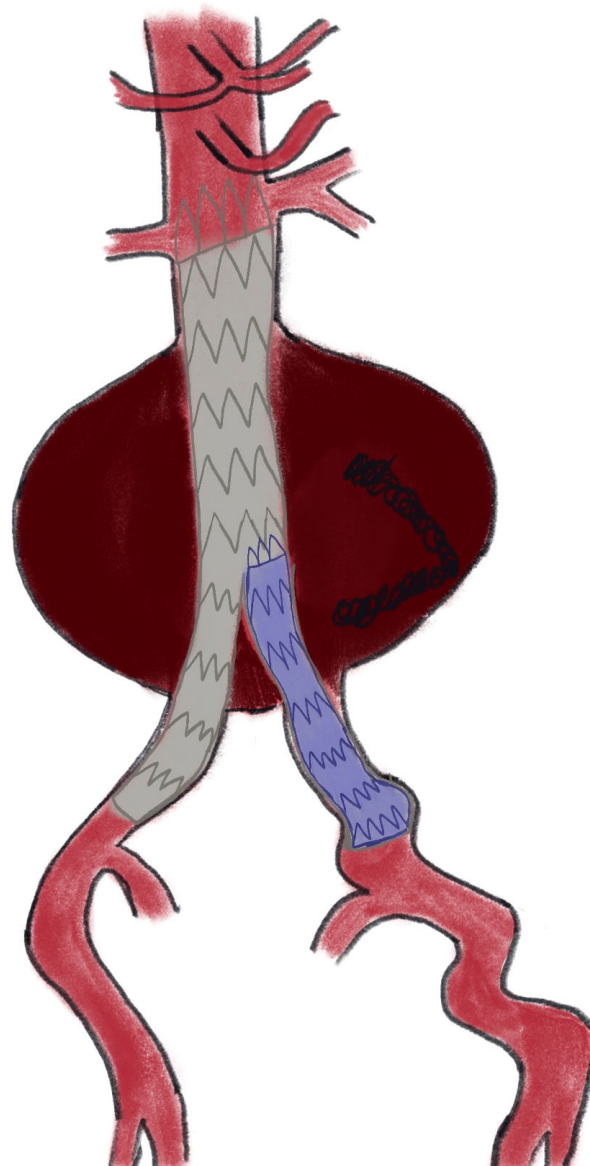
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2016: Type II Endoleak (Lumbar)



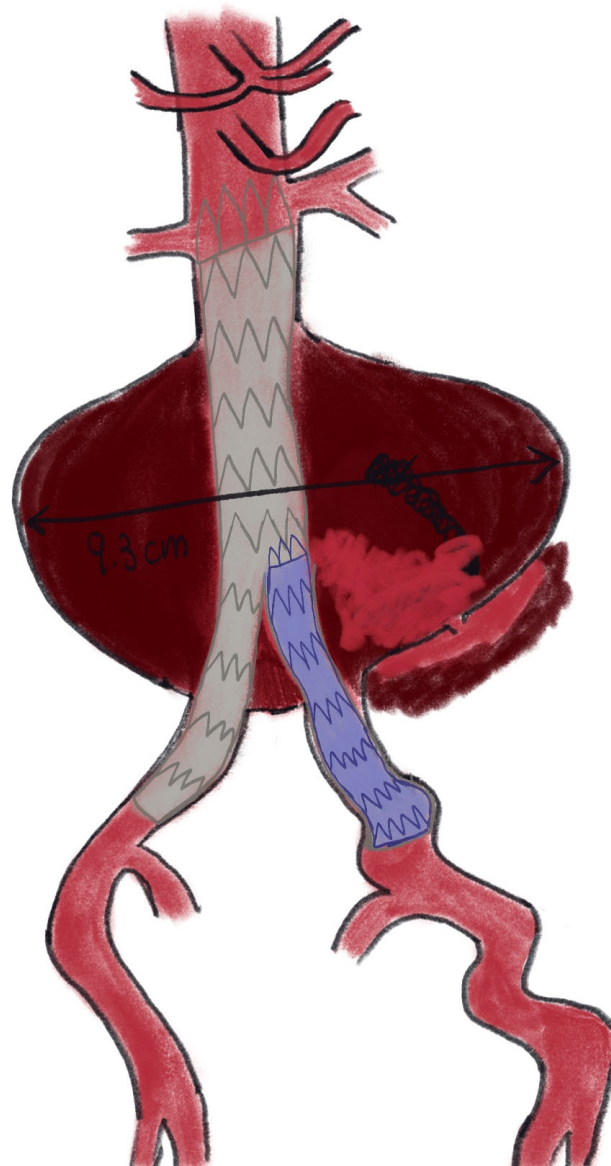
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Coil Embolization



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2022: Ruptured AAA



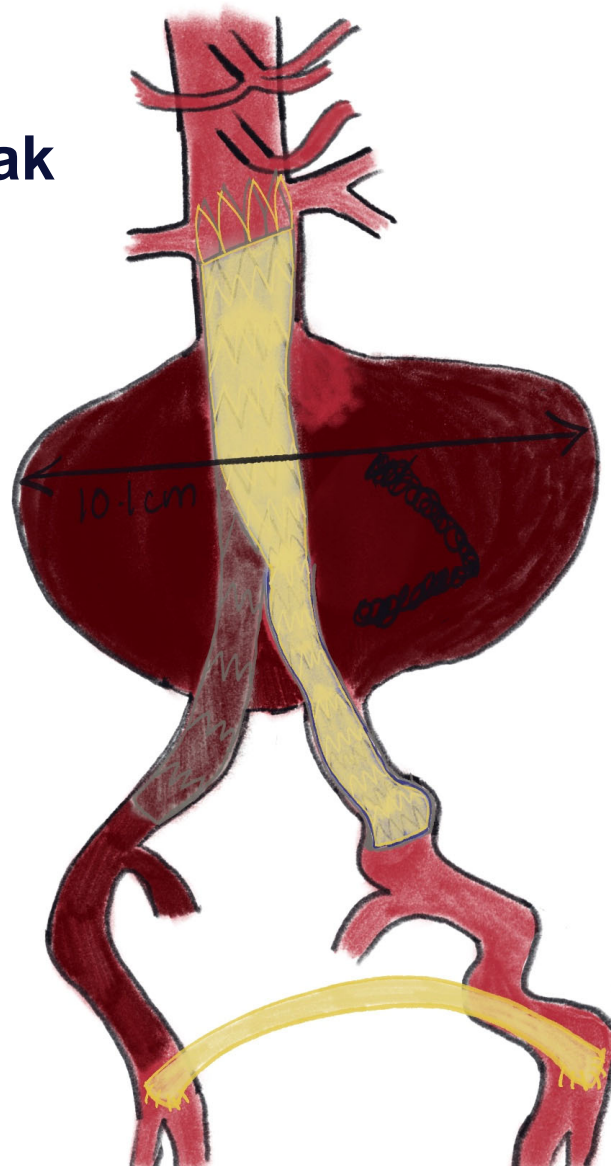
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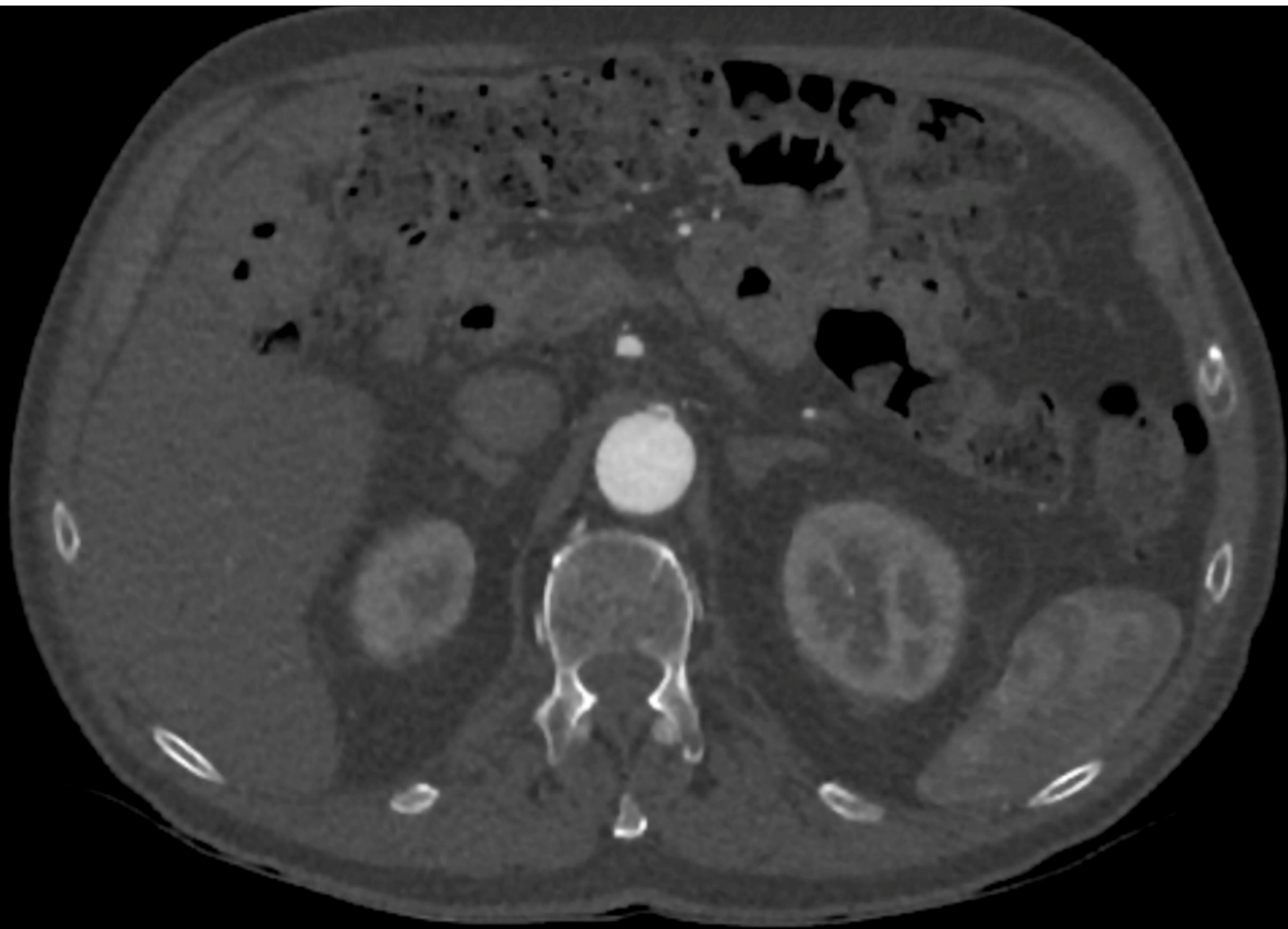
Aorto-uniliac Stent & Fem-fem Bypass



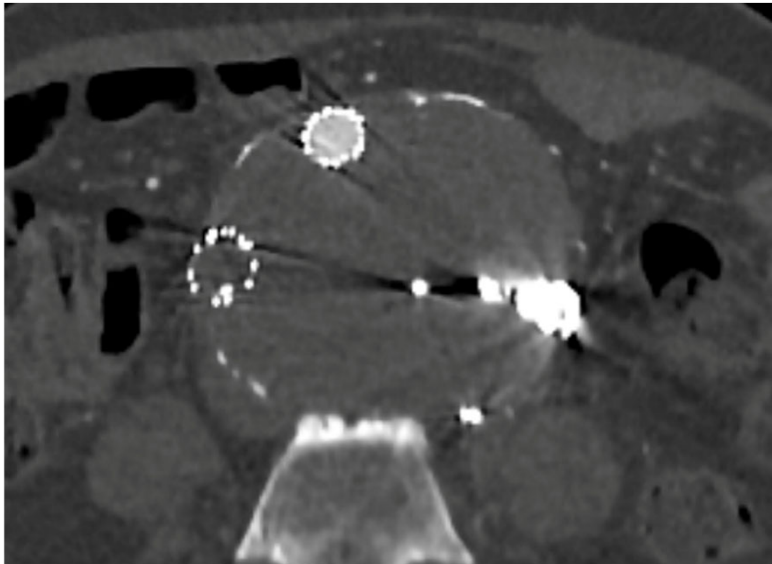
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Now: Type Ia Endoleak



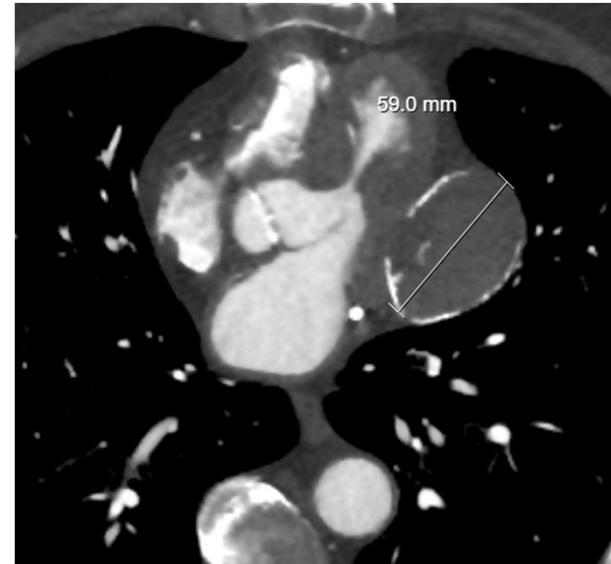






10 cm AAA

VS



6cm CABG

Question 1: Which pathology do you treat first?

1. Aneurysmal Degeneration of Prior CABG (partially thrombosed)
2. Type Ia Endoleak

Answer

Type Ia Endoleak

Preop Cardiology Evaluation:

- MPI: mild to moderate ischemia in lateral wall (stable)
- TTE: normal biventricular function, no valvulopathy

Treatment Options

Open Surgery

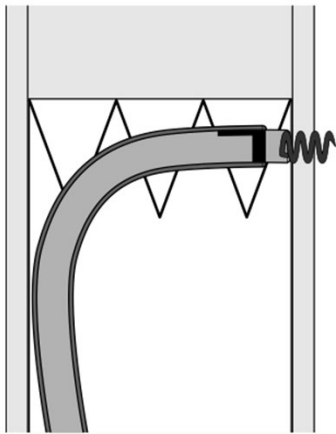
Patients benefit for the following reasons

- Multiple comorbidities
- Hospital admission

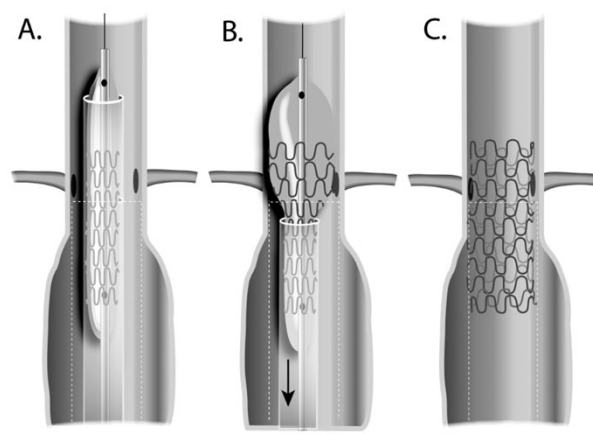
Endovascular

- EndoAnchors (Medtronic)
- Palmaz Stent
- Chimney Stent
- FEVAR
 - Custom-made
 - PMEG
 - In-situ laser
- BEVAR
 - Custom-made
 - Off-the-shelf

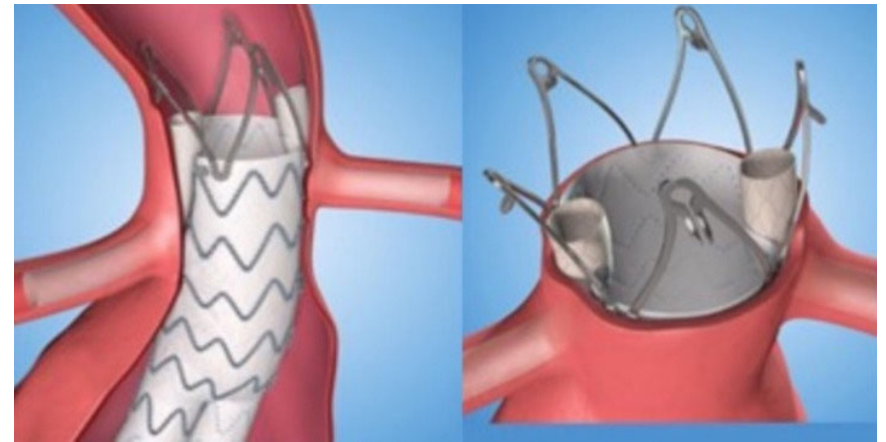
Treatment Options



EndoAnchor



Giant Palmaz



Chimney

Question 2

Which definitive endovascular option would you choose?

1. FEVAR: Custom-made
2. FEVAR: PMEG and/or in-situ laser
3. BEVAR: Custom-made
4. BEVAR: Off-the-shelf

Live Poll

Answer

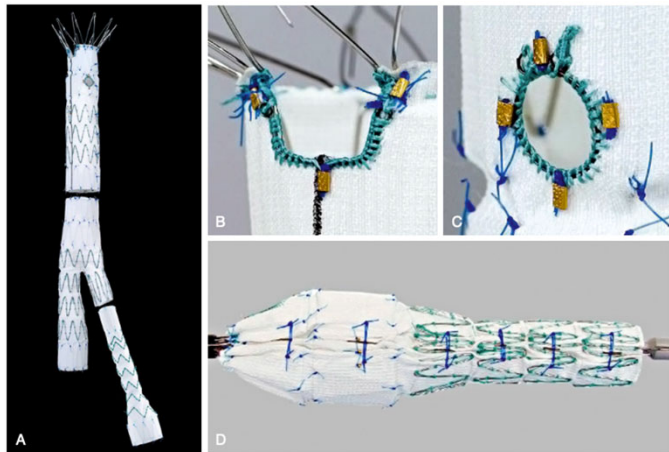
FEVAR PMEG and in-situ laser

Why?

Fenestrated vs Branched Endograft

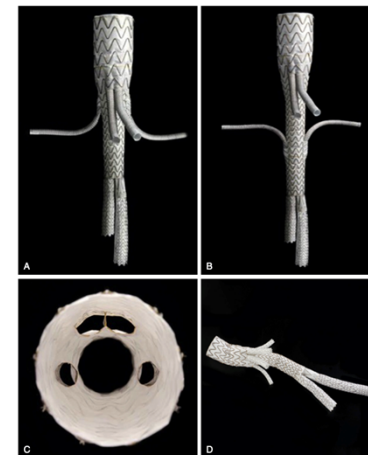
Fenestrations ✓

- Better renal arteries patency (short bridging stents)



Branches ✗

- Longer coverage of the aorta (SCI risk)
- Longer bridging stents (thrombosis risk)



PMEG/In-situ vs Custom-Made

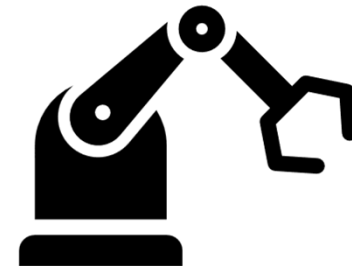
PMEG/In-situ ✓

- No delay of manufacturing



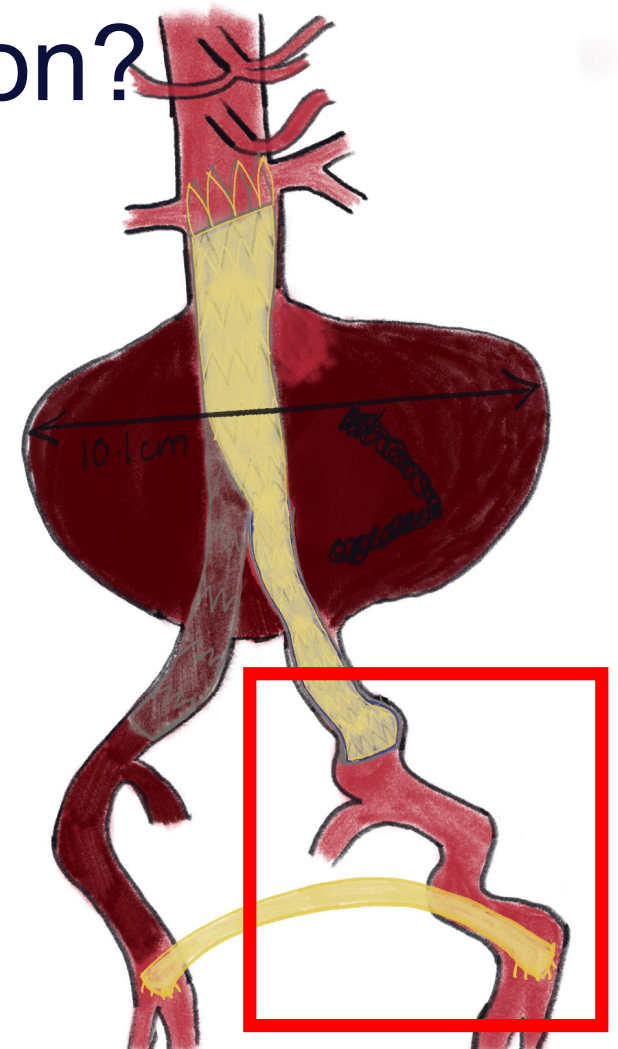
Custom-Made ✗

- Two access sites necessary
- Long delay



Why in-situ laser fenestration?

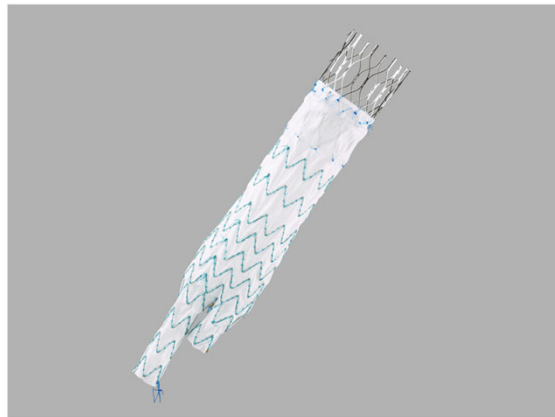
- No need to orient the endograft
- Adapts to complex/hostile anatomy



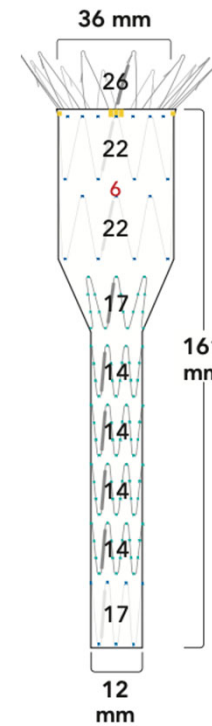
Final Choice: PMEG Cook ZIMB 36-118 with In-Situ Laser

Why Cook ZIMB 36-118?

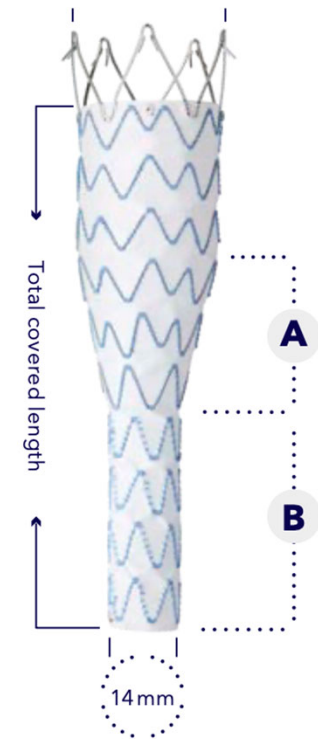
- Longest available proximal body
- AUI alternatives: too short for this anatomy (required length: 74 mm)



Cook ZIMB 36-118

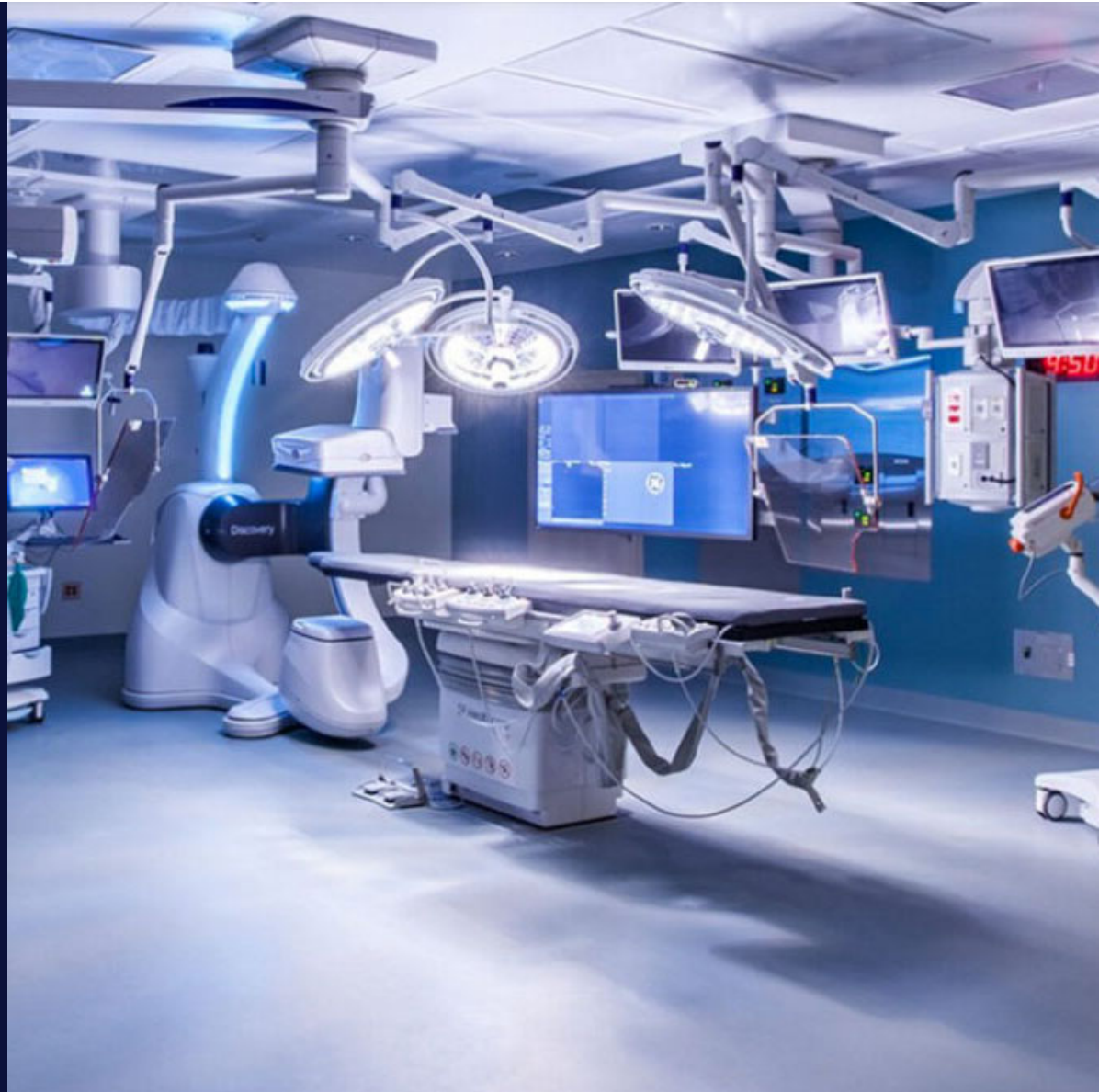


Cook AIU



Medtronic AIU

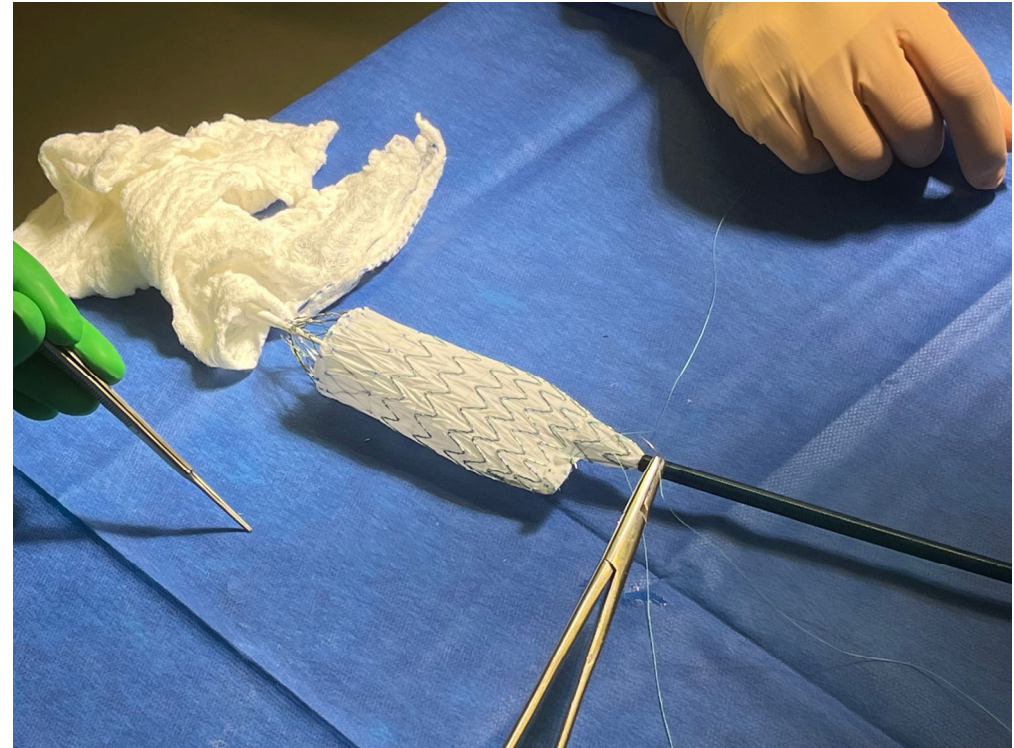
Surgical Steps



Step 1 - PMEG

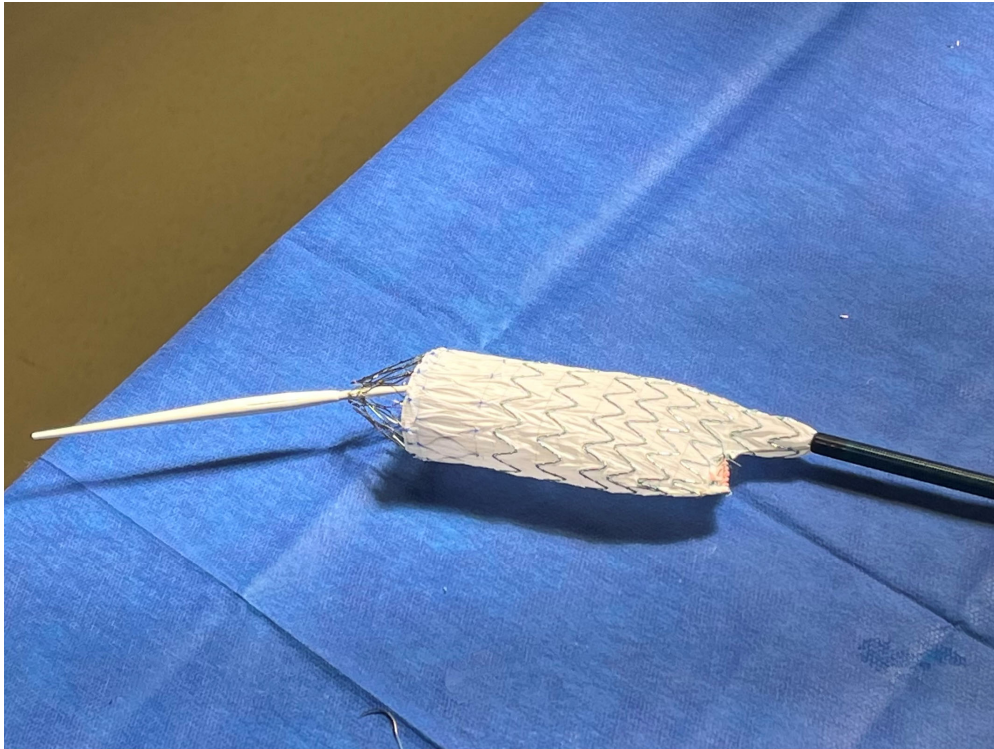


Remove stents of contralateral limb

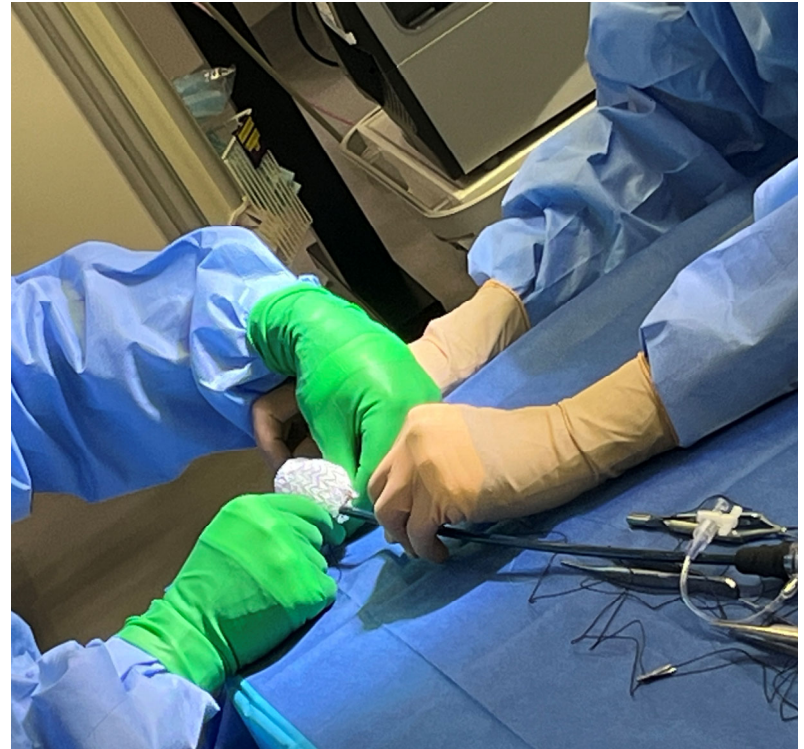


Fold up & suture contralateral limb

Step 1 - PMEG



Sutured contralateral limb

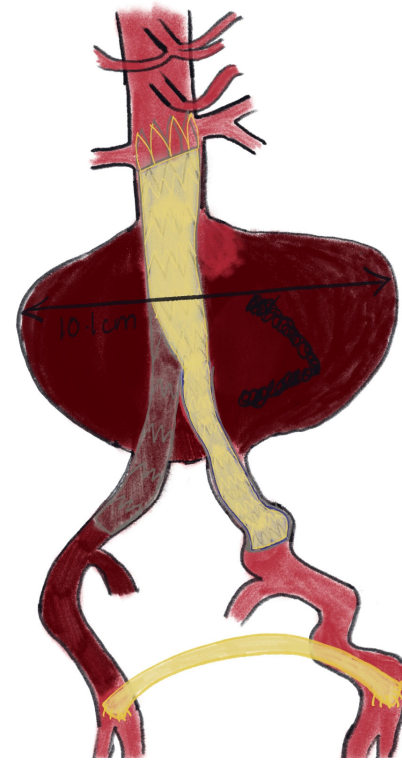


Reloading

Step 2 – Orientation & Access



Verify orientation of the endograft

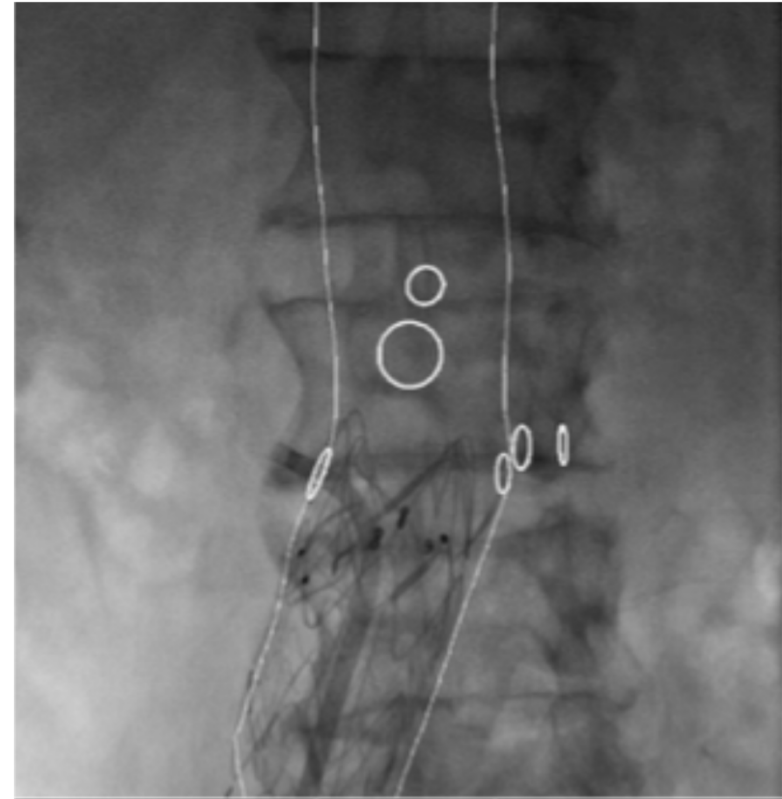


Single open left groin access

Step 3 – Verify Fusion

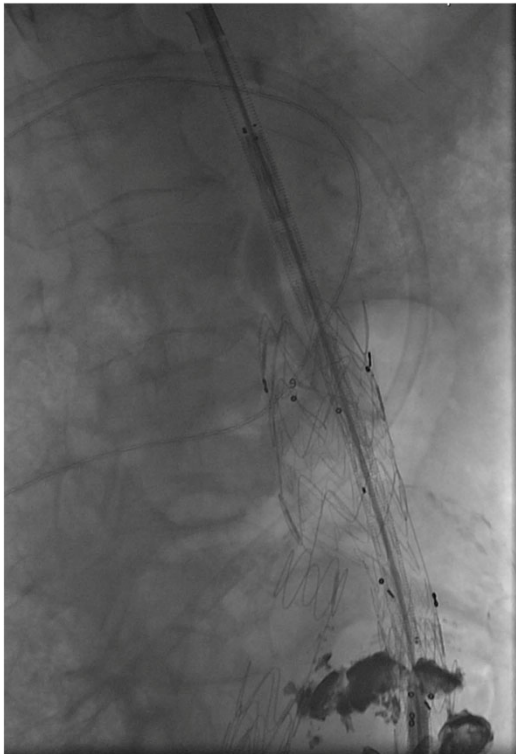


Place pigtail inside



Catheterize renal arteries and SMA

Step 4 – Deployment of the Endograft

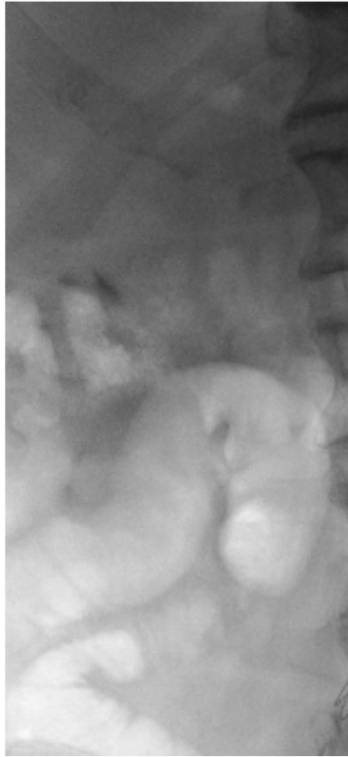


Endograft as proximal as possible

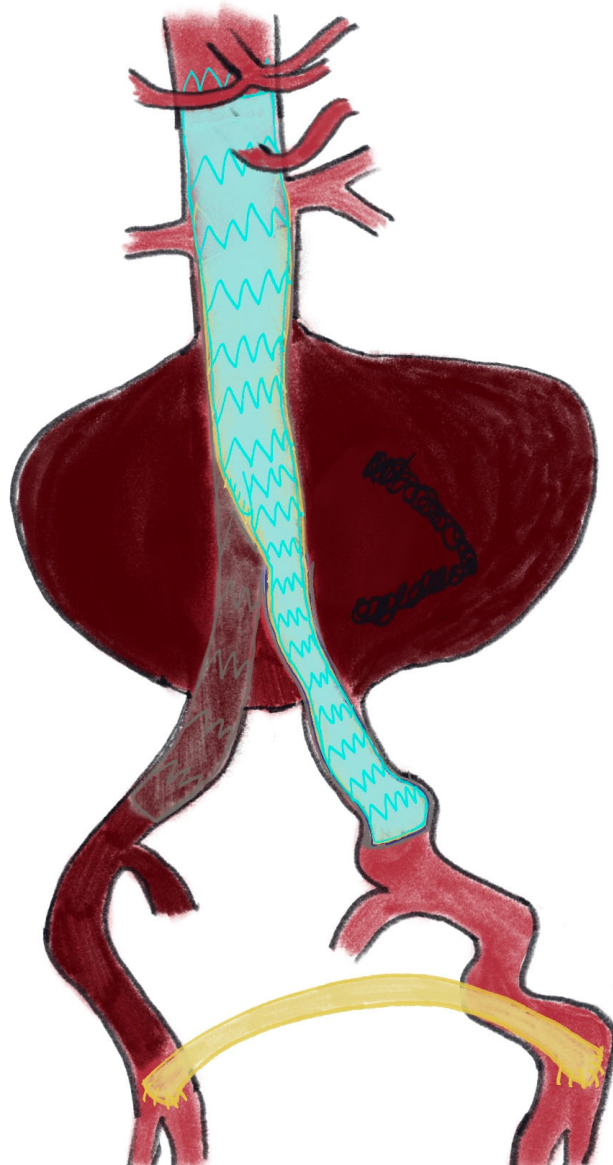


Endograft deployed

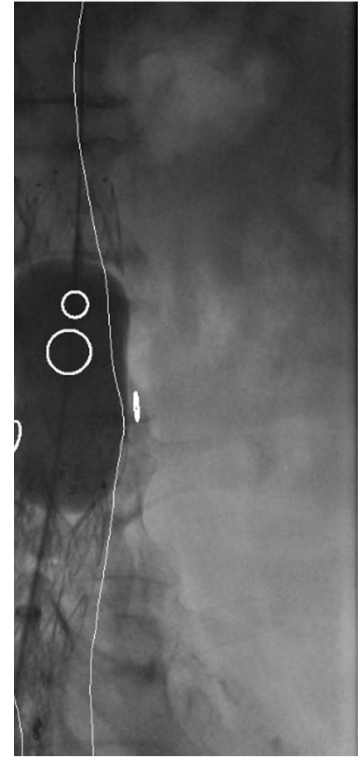
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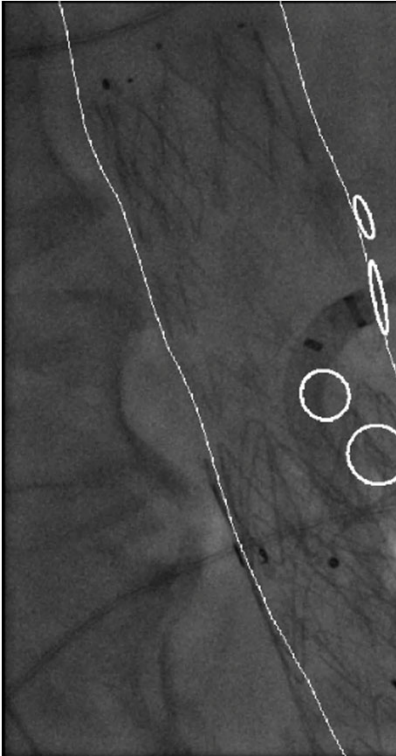


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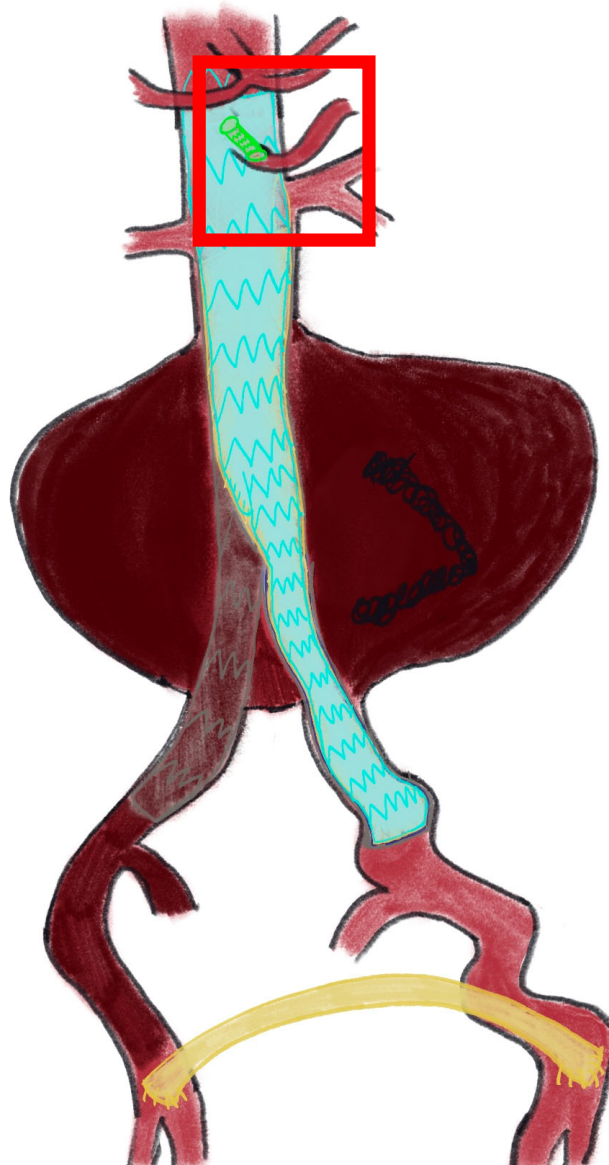


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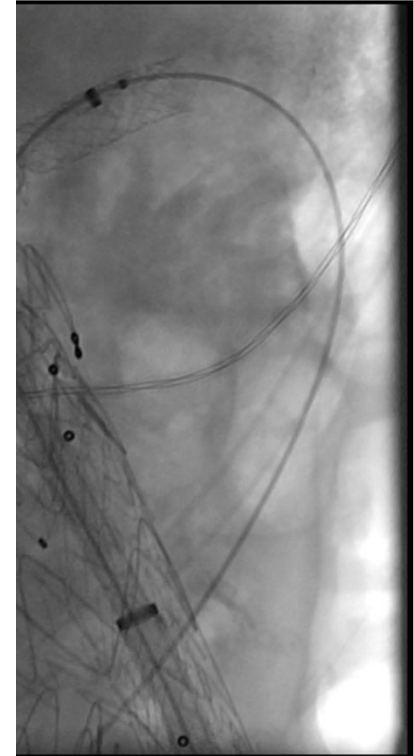
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SMA Laser

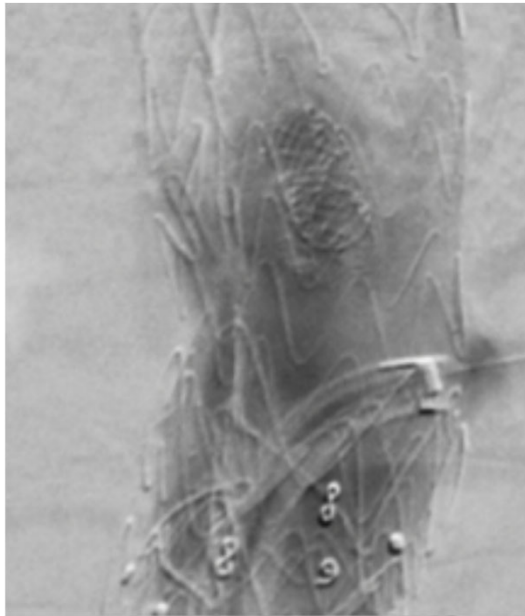


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LRA Laser

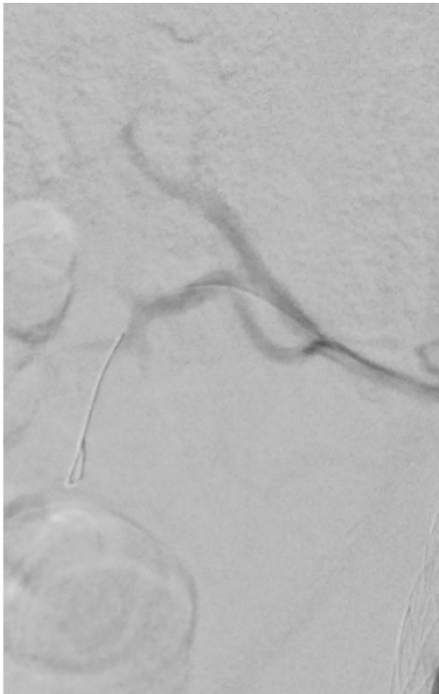


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tent in LRA

Surgical Steps



RRA Laser

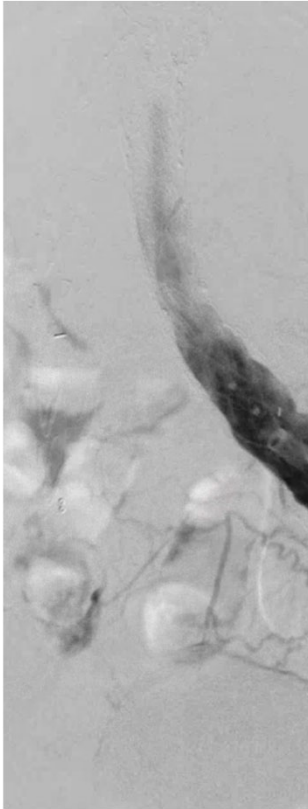


peripheral stent in RRA

Step 9 - Angiography



Surgical Steps

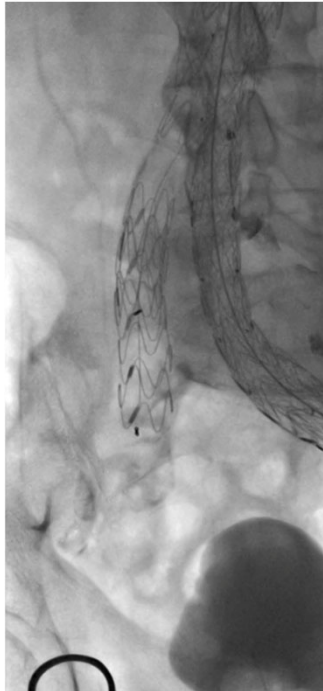


IBG Placement



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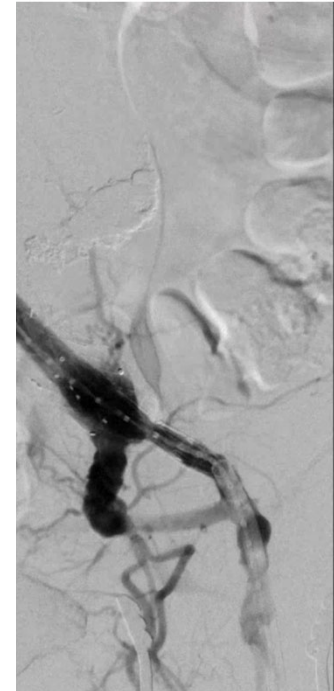
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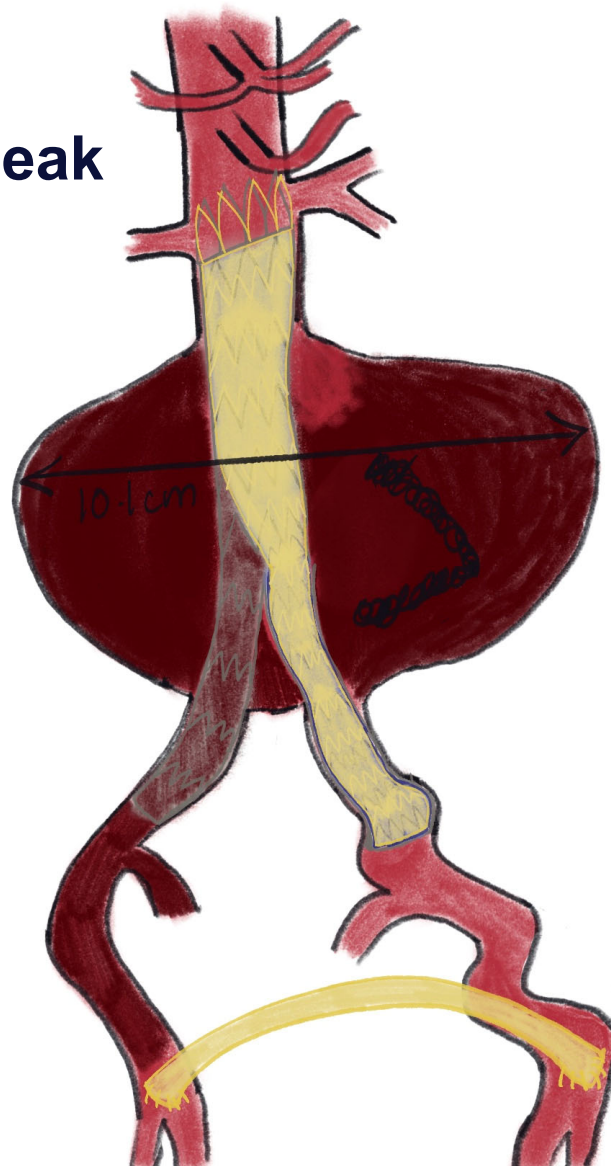


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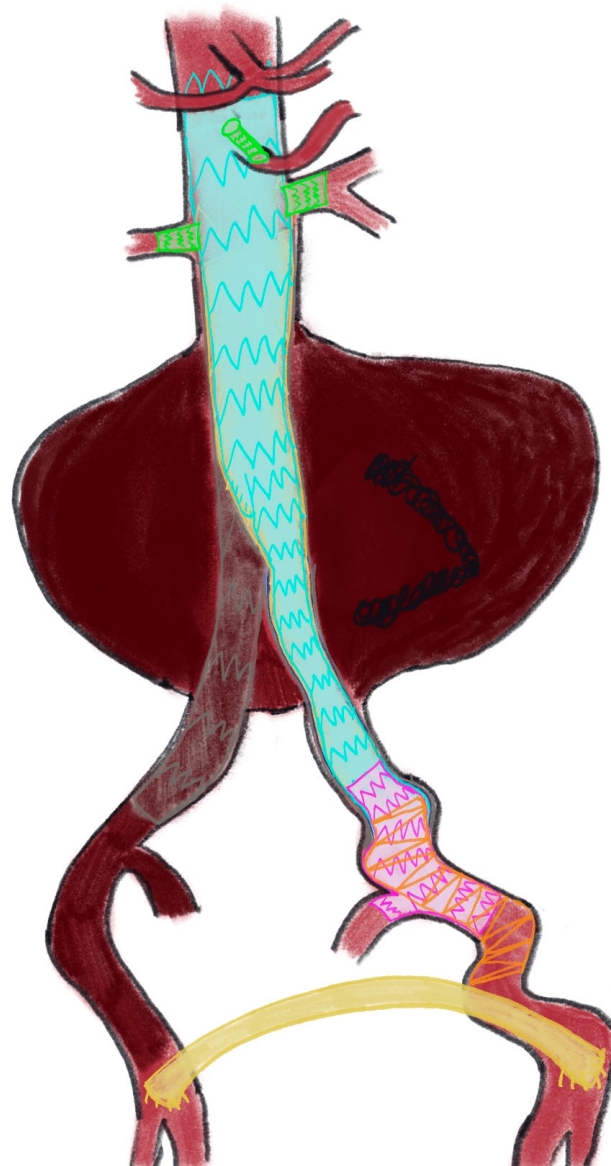
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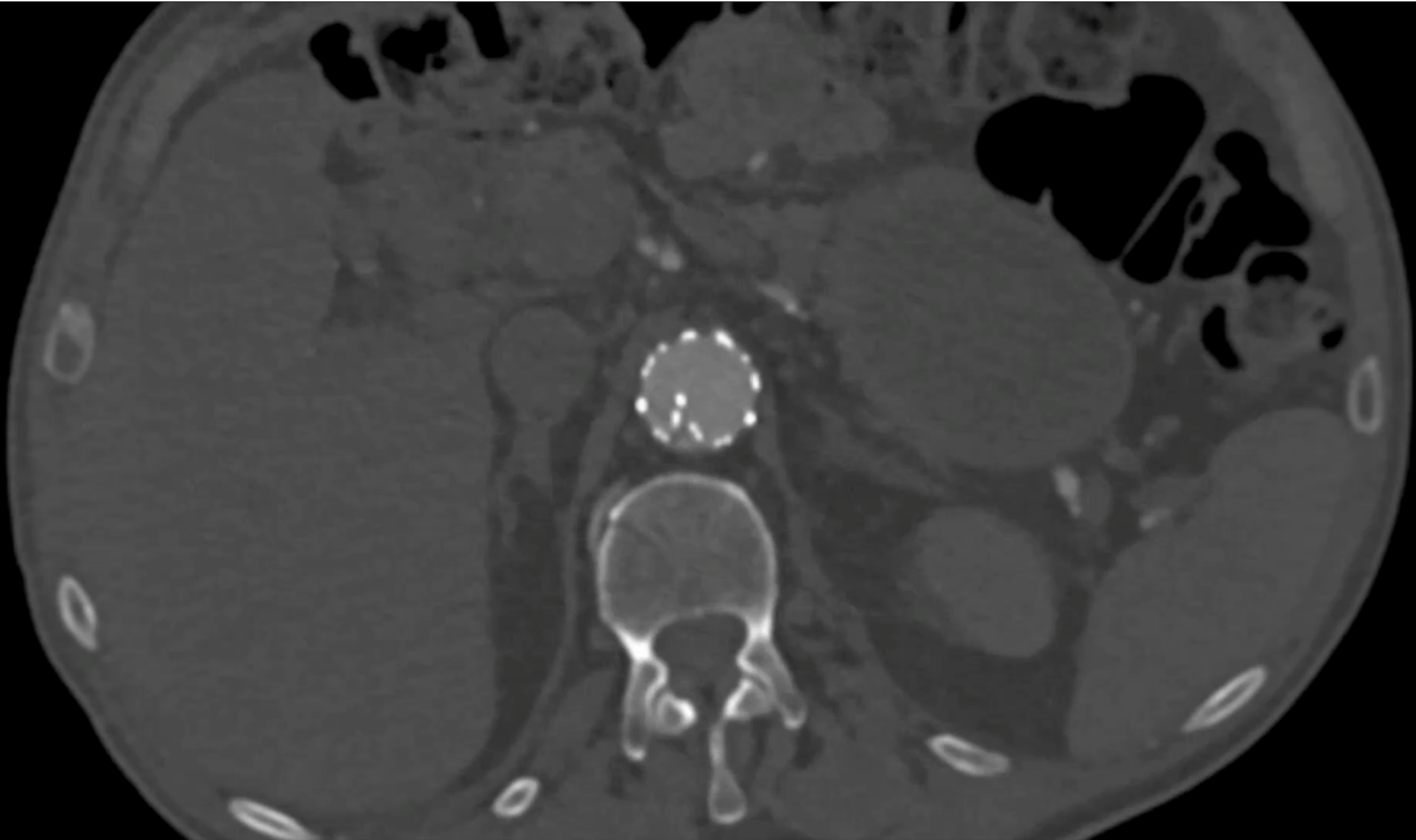
Preop: Type Ia Endoleak



Case presentation

Final Result





Conclusion

- Complexity of managing a redo EVAR with a type Ia endoleak
- PMEG/in-situ laser: timely, adaptable, and effective solution

Questions & Discussion

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Left iliac landing zone strategy = IBG

- Patient was at high risk of type Ib endoleak (LDZ 9 mm)
- 5 redos already and we didn't want to reopen this groin in the future

