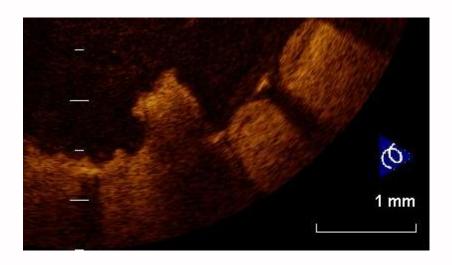
# Characterization of Plaque Prolapse Following Carotid Artery Stenting by OCT



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#### Definition

Plaque prolapse is defined as tissue extrusion through the stent struts post- procedure.

Brack MJ, et al. Int J Cardiol. 1994;44(1):93-95





#### Consequences of plaque prolapse



#### Possible distal embolization





Heart: From enzyme rise to heart attack



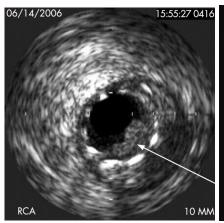
Brain: From ischemic lesions to stroke

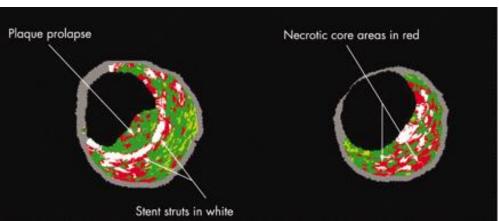




Relation between plaque components and plaque prolapse after DES implantation: virtual histology –intravascular ultrasound Hong YJ et al. Circ J 2010;74:1142

**Necrotic core** and **fibrotic** components were associated with development of PP; and both components in prolapsed plaque were associated with **cardiac enzyme elevation** after DES implantation.



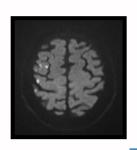


BMJ Case Reports 2009; Tsui, Lau



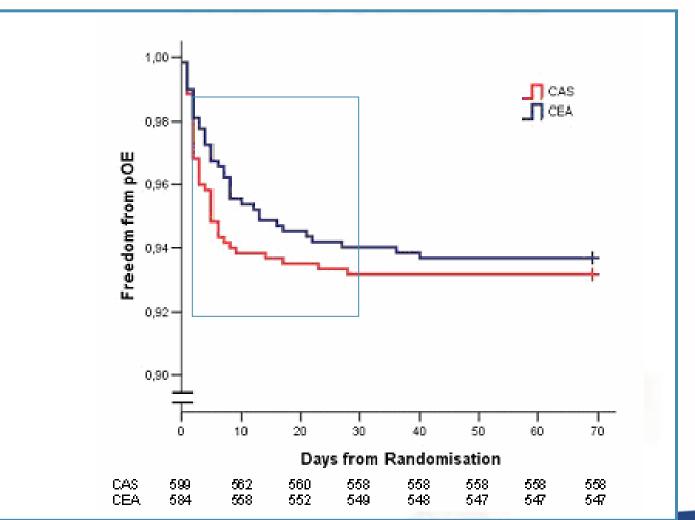






#### **SPACE**

### **CEA & CAS** have additional complications within 30 days

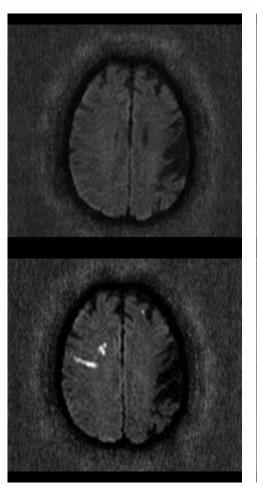


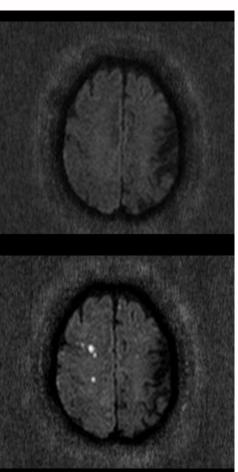






#### DW MRI before and 5 days after CAS













#### Cause of plaque prolapse



#### Cheese grater effect of stents:

- during deployment,
- during postdilatation (most TCD hits),
- during 30-days post procedure







#### Cheese grating is not always good



Increased plaque prolapse from coronary experience:

- thrombotic lesion
- lipid core
- thin cap over necrotic core

Hung et al; Circ 2010

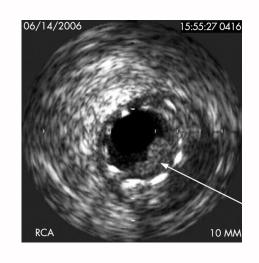
Differences between soft and hard cheeses plaques

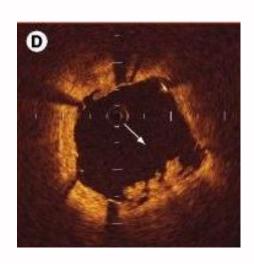




#### Detection of plaque prolapse







Angiography

**IVUS** 

OCT

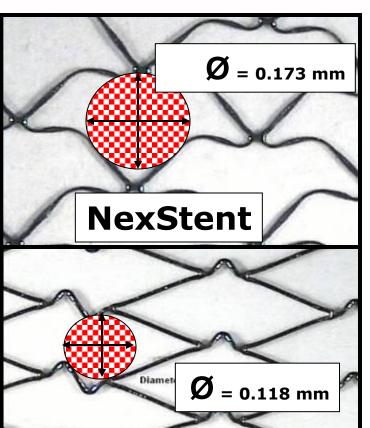
In coronary arteries





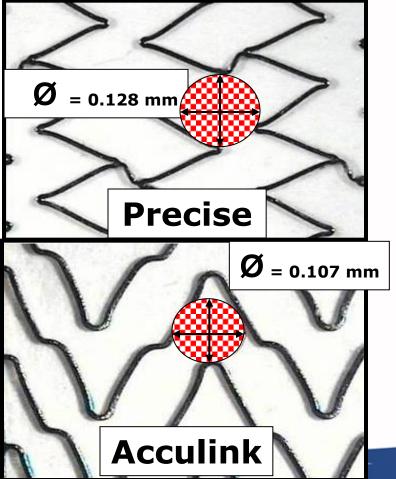
## The concept of plaque scaffolding of stents

Closed-cell stents



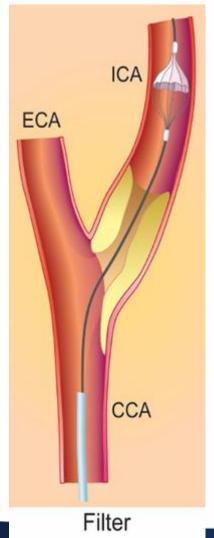
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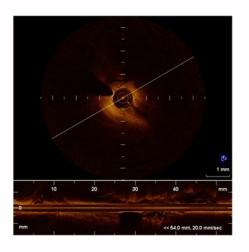
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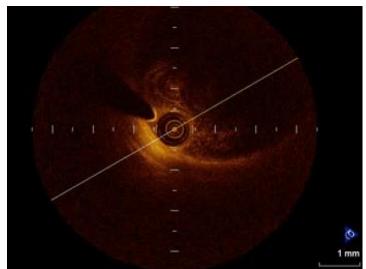




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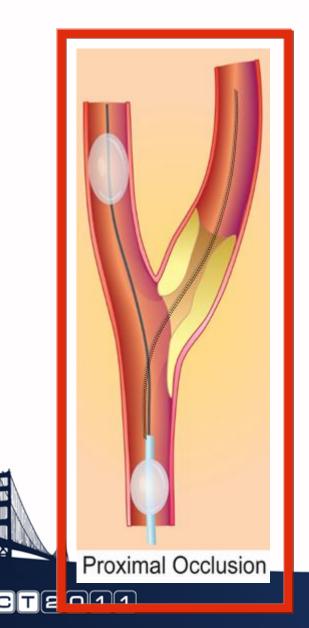


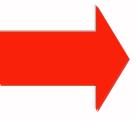


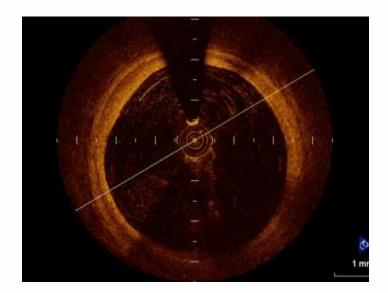




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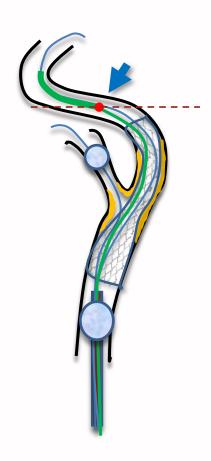






#### 1 Positioning of OCT catheter distal to stent

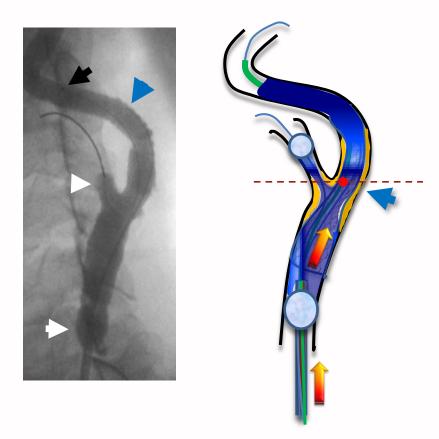








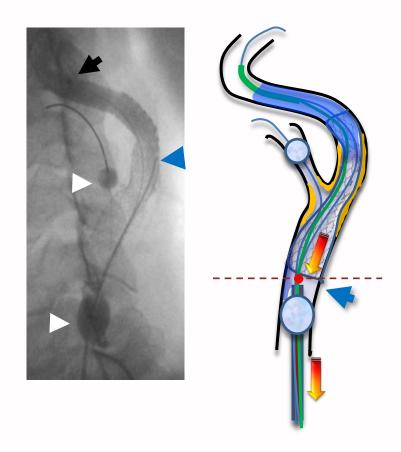
#### 2 Careful hand injection of 20cc dye (Ultravist 320)







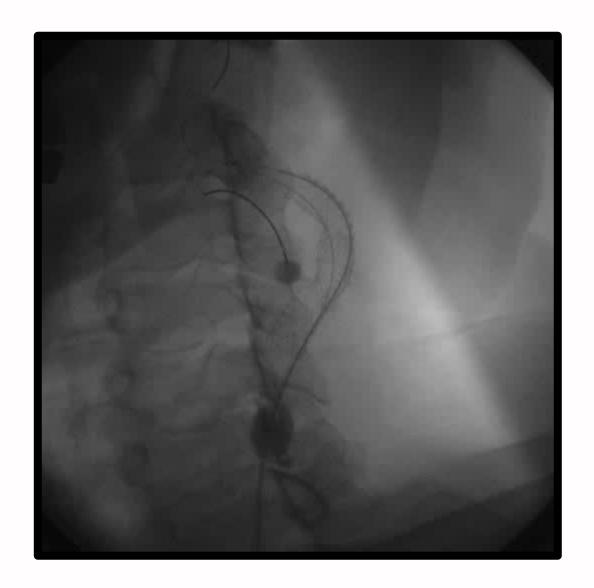
#### 4 Hand re-aspiration of dye









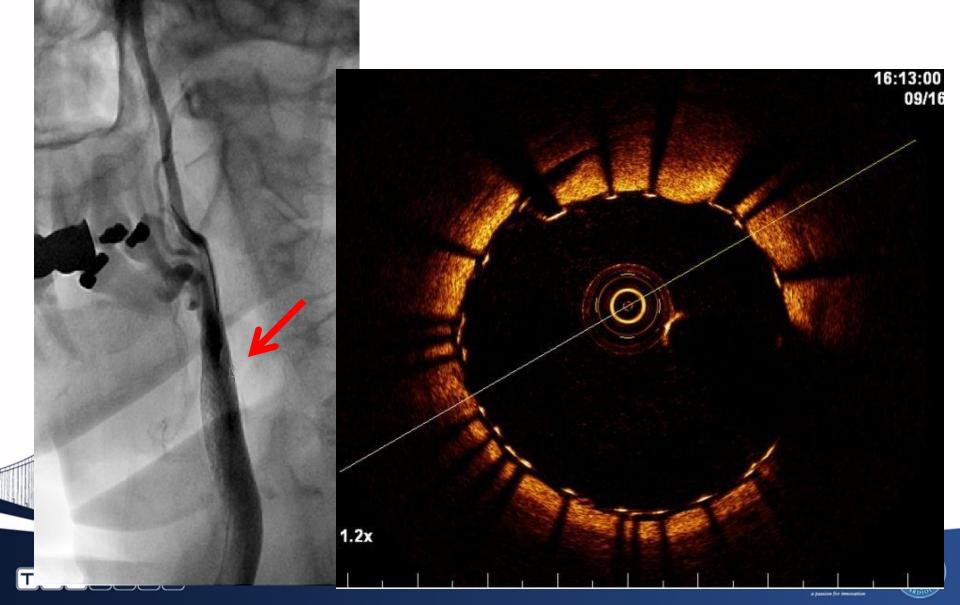


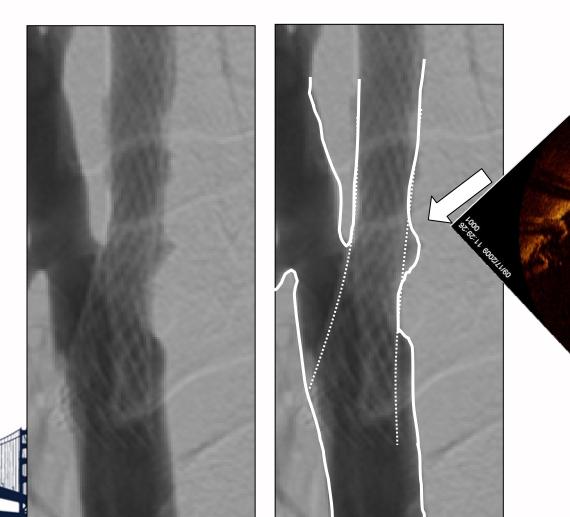


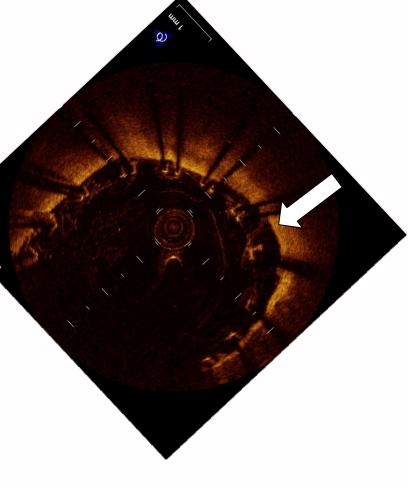




#### Post stent OCT

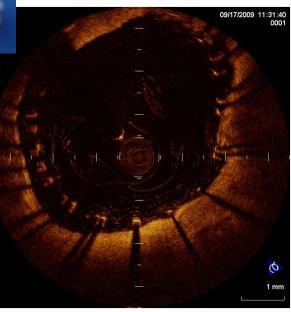




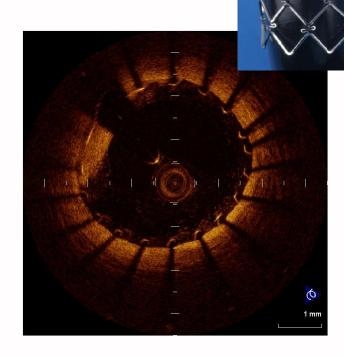








Open cell stent

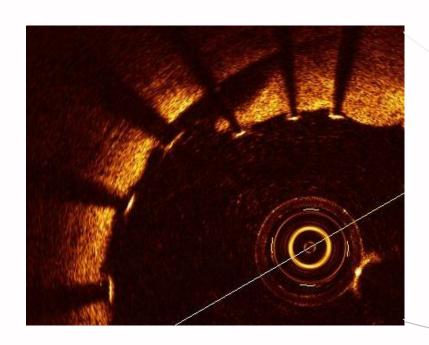


Closed cell stent









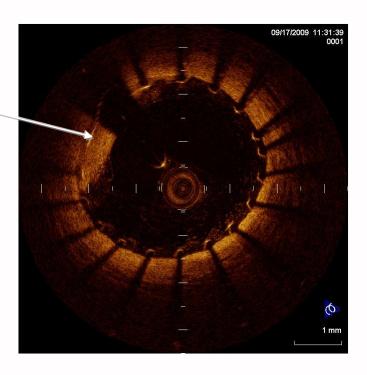
Plaque rupture







Flow artefact



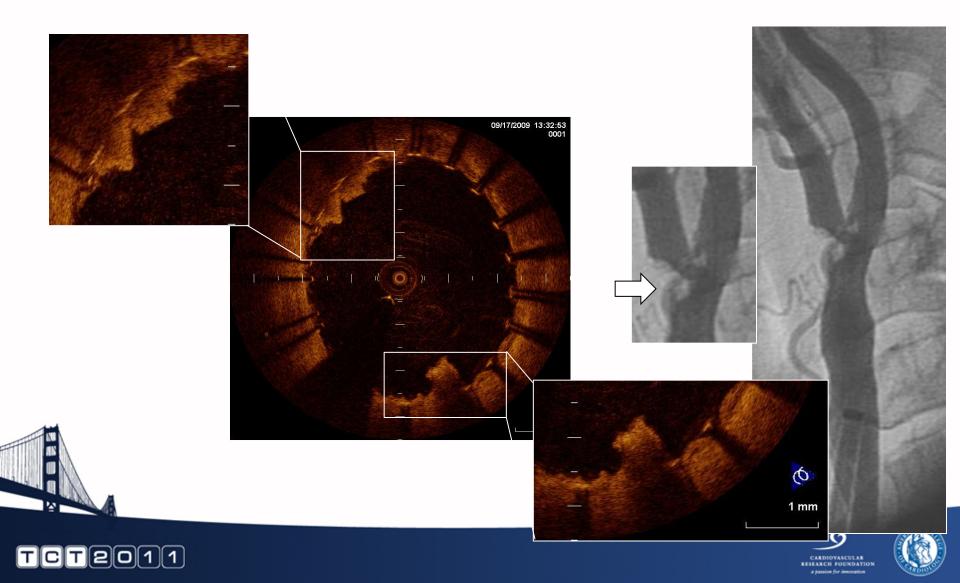






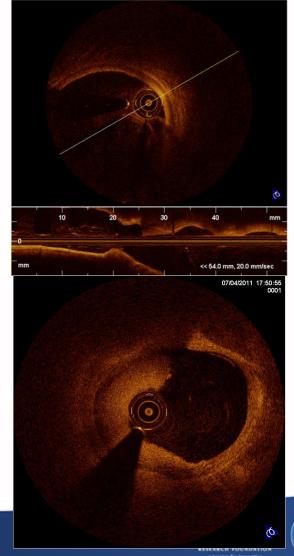


Plaque prolapse: Possible determinants of late complications



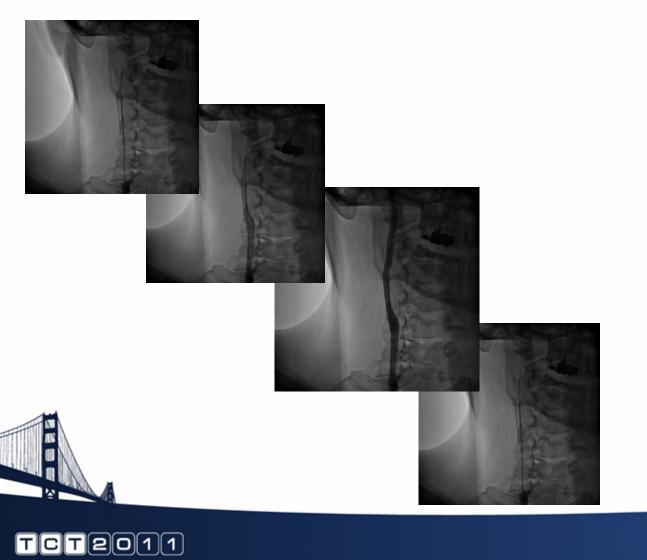
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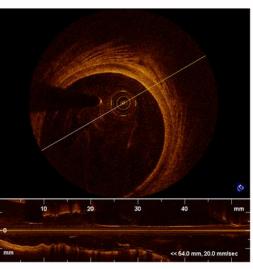






#### Lesion after stenting

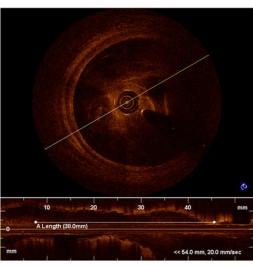


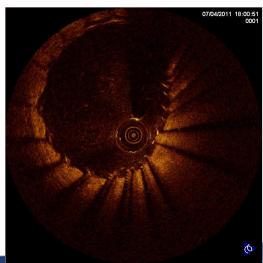




#### Final result after post-dilatation











#### **Conclusions**

OCT after carotid stenting appears feasible and safe.

Using the occlusive technique, better quality images were obtained with the advantage not to increase the contrast load

Carotid OCT allows collection of important information regarding the stent and plaque behaviour not seen with standard angiography

Compared to IVUS less penetration (for plaque characterization), better surface images (for stent evaluation)











#### Coronary OCT

