



3D Imaging: How to make beautiful images

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The rotating C-Arm: What a strange Animal





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The rotating C-Arm: Proper Setup



Important Considerations:

- Anesthesia Setup
- Vital Monitoring
- Lead Shielding

Applications in Neuroendovascular Imaging







Applications in Cardiac Imaging





Pulmonary Artery Imaging

Courtesy of L. Lamers, MD, AFCH, Madison, WI



Applications in Body Imaging



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Courtesy of B. Arslan, MD, RUSH, Chicago, IL

Clinical prototype - Not for diagnostic use O 20 C 1752

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Wait a second here, when my images come up, they often look like @\$!&@#\$%

Patchy Vessel Syndrome





Incomplete/Intermittent/Low Contrast Opacification



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Patchy Vessel Syndrome





Repeat Reconstruction of Image and select a smooth Image Representation/Kernel

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Sickle Shaped Vessels





Two Sources:

- Patient Motion
- System out of Calibration
 - Call Service

Blurred Slice Views







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Noisy Slice Views





Bad Image Appearance:

1. Window and Level Image

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Bad Image Appearance:

- 1. Window and Level Image
- 2. Change Slice Thickness

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- 2. Change Slice Thickness
 - 1. 0.5mm to 5mm



Ring Artifacts



Ring Artifacts are caused by faulty/broken detector pixel. Cannot be removed by post-processing.



But 3D-DSA, that's yesterday's Spaghetti!

3D-DSA Dual Volume





Acquisition:

- Conventional 3D-DSA
- Example for 5s long fill run acquisition:
 - 3ml for 7sec
 - 2 sec x-ray delay to achieve constant filling
 - 100% Contrast Concentration

Reconstruction:

- Subtracted Reconstruction to create 3D-DSA
- Reconstruction of Mask Run

Display:

- Open both files as merged
- Crop/Remove/W+L unwanted areas



3D-DSA Dual Volume





IV-DynaCTA for Implant F/U





Scan Setup – INTRA-VENOUS INJECTION:

- I. Place 16-18 F IV catheter (The large the diameter the better)
- II. Select exam protocol
- III. Follow prompts on screen to setup C-Arm
 - A. Make sure that target is visible in all test positions
- IV. Arm Injector
 - A. 80ml at 100% contrast (350mg/L)
 - B. Flow rate: 4 ml/sec
 - C. X-Ray delay: 11-16sec
- V. Start Acquisition, press and hold until completed
- VI. Image Reconstructed Automatically



DynaCTA + MAR



No Metal Artifact Reduction



DynaCTA + MAR



No Metal Artifact Reduction

With Metal Artifact Reduction

DynaCT Micro





1x1 Binning (Micro)





DynaCT Micro



4D-DSA – Overview





4D-DSA – Acquisition





Scan Setup:

- I. Position catheter in appropriate vessel
- II. Select desired exam protocol
- III. Follow prompts on screen to setup C-Arm
 - A. Make sure that target is visible in all test positions
- IV. Arm Injector (Similar for both 6s and
 - 12s acquisitions)
 - A. Contrast
 - a) 24 ml at 100% contrast [300mg/L]
 - B. Flow rate: 3 ml/sec
 - C. Injection delay: 0.5sec
 - D. Injection Duration: 8s
 - E. Pressure: 600 PSI
 - F. Rise Rate: 0.3cc
- V. Acquire



4D-DSA – Examples





Neuro-PBV







Pretty Images, but can the be used for anything else than staring at them?

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Tools – 3D Roadmap

- 3D overlay with live fluoro for better guidance during endovascular treatment
 - Automatic adjustments to current image geometry
 - Choose 3D visualization according to your preference



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- Goal:
- Guidance to find origin of spinal arteries fast and reliable
- Approach:
- TWIST multiphase MR acquisition
- 5sDynaCT acquisition
- Registration of both datasets and registration matrix stored
- Overlay of TWIST images to live fluoro for guidance during procedure





Workflow:

1. Select ROI





Workflow:

 Select ROI
Select Aneurysm Dome and Parent Vessel





Workflow:

- 1. Select ROI
- 2. Select Aneurysm Dome and Parent Vessel
- 3. Aneurysm dome and vessel centerline extracted automatically





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Tools – Needle Guidance



Workflow:

 Acquire 3D of target area
Select Target and Entry



Tools – Needle Guidance



Workflow:

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- 3. Check autoviews on usability

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Workflow:

- 1. Acquire 3D of target area
- 2. Select Target and Entry
- 3. Check autoviews on usability
- Follow prompts on live screen
 Place Needle



The End? For the presentation, yes.

For 3D, probably not!



Thank you for your attention!