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Tips and tricks for a correct "endo approach"

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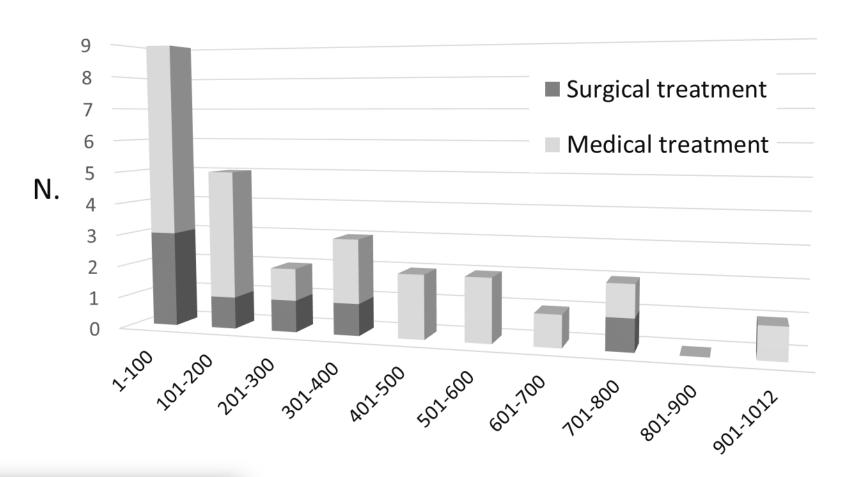
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## Antegrade femoral approach

Our experience with the antegrade femoral puncture as first choice approach in below-the-groin vessel disease started in 2000. In the very first 1012 cases performed in the period 2000-2008, we had 27 major complications (2,7%)

	Medical treatment	Surgical treatment	Puncture above half line of the femoral head	Puncture below half line of the femoral head
Groin hematoma	14	3	4	13
Abdominal wall hematoma	1	-	1	-
Scrotal hematoma	-	1	1	-
Pseudoaneurism	-	1	-	1
Retroperitoneal hematoma	5	1	6	-
Acute femoral thrombosis	-	1	-	1
Total	20	7		

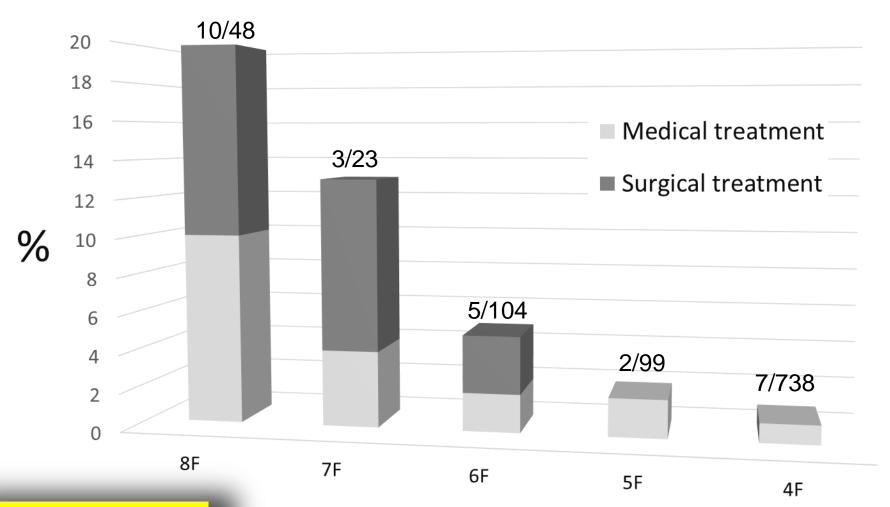
# Antegrade femoral approach complications (2000-2008 yy; 1012 procedures)



Attention at the beginning!
The learning curve needs
200 procedures to stabilize
to standard value

Procedure number

# Antegrade femoral approach complications according to sheath size (2000-2008 yy; 1012 procedures)



1st key factor in reducing complications: standard use of 4-5 F sheaths

French size of the introducer sheath



A too high puncture is highly problematic for manual compression hemostasis because the common femoral artery (CFA) is going deeply into the external iliac artery and the puncture may be above the inguinal ligament, which represents the best barrier against retroperitoneal bleeding.

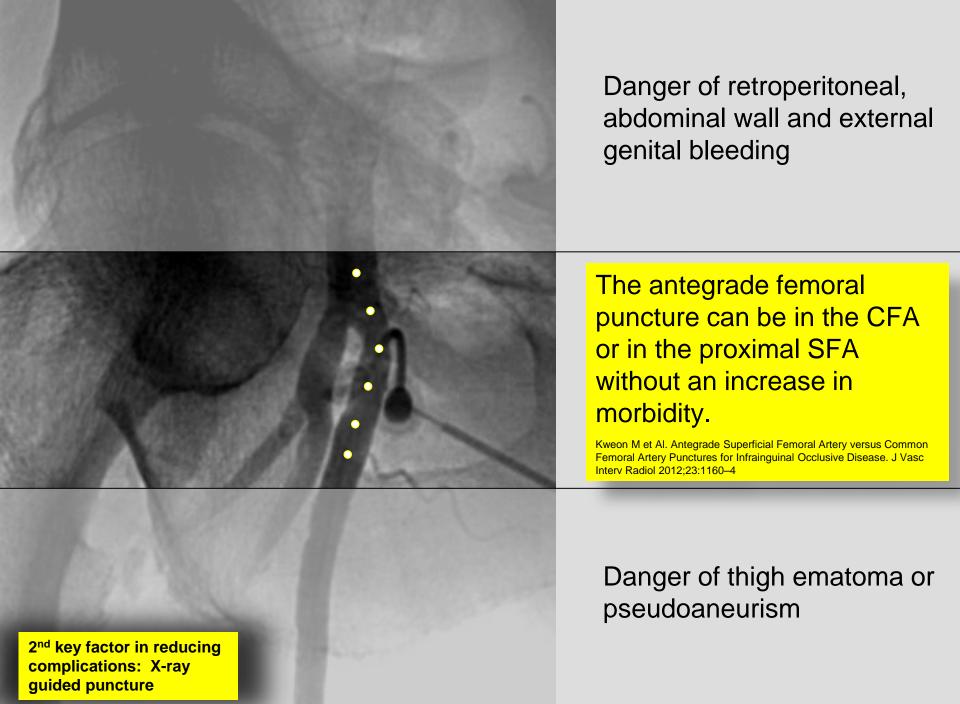
Irani F et Al. Common femoral artery access techniques: a review. J Cardiovasc Med 2009:10:517–22

This is the correct puncture region: below the inguinal ligament, not too distal from the inferior edge of the femoral head

A too low puncture into the superficial femoral artery (SFA) can impair manual compression hemostasis because the artery is going deeply into the muscle and is not surrounded by the connective groin tissue that is the best environment for a fast and sure hemostasis.

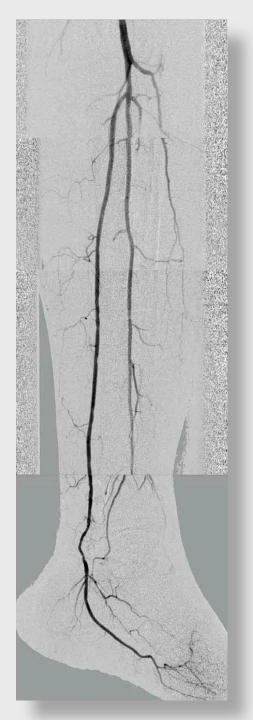
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2<sup>nd</sup> key factor in reducing complications: X-ray guided puncture



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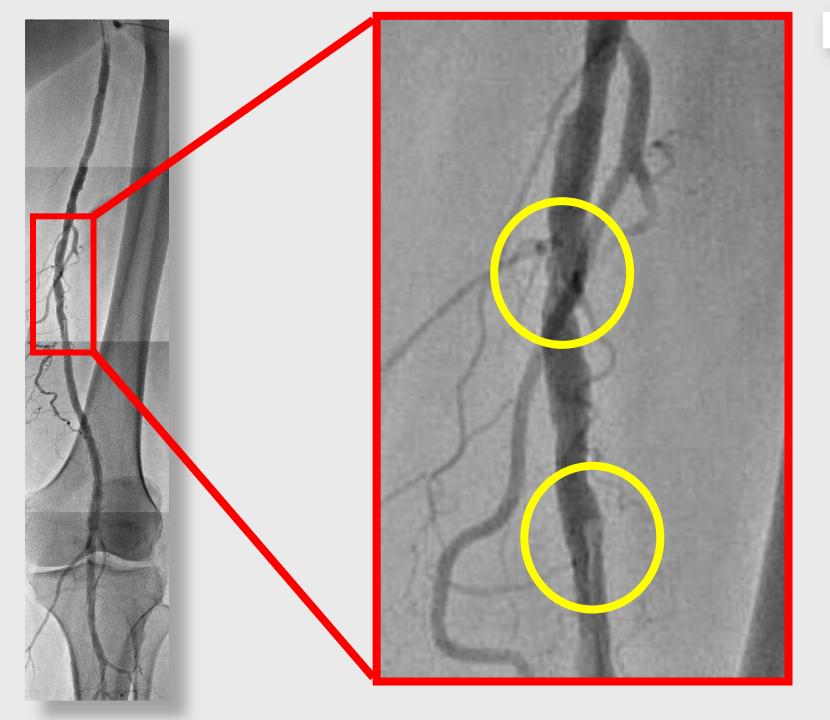


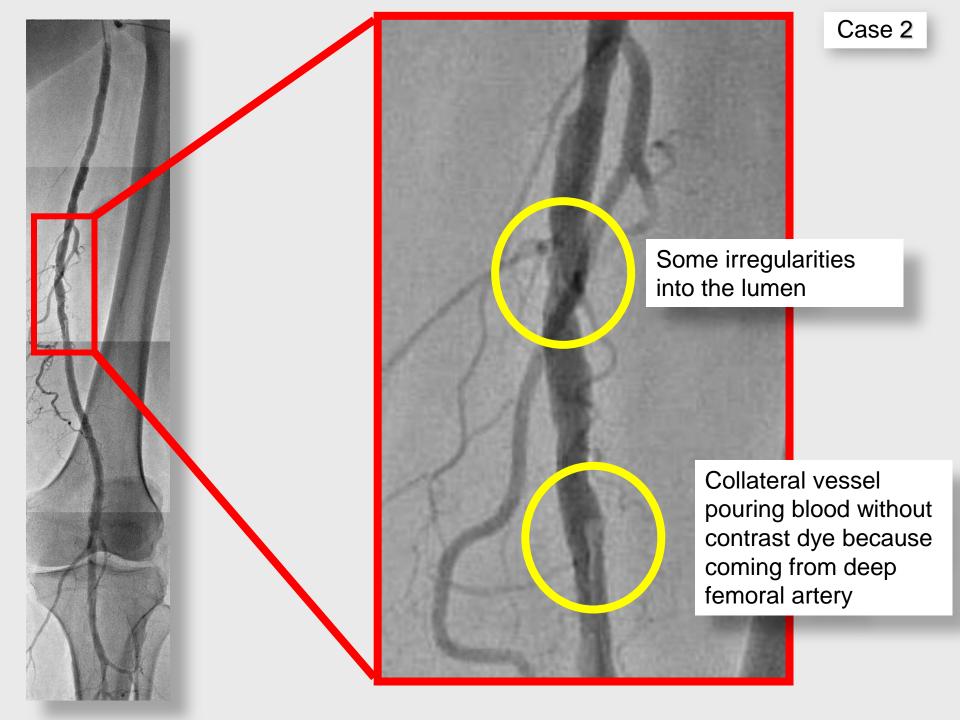
# Patient data

- Male, 76 yy old
- 50 m claudication

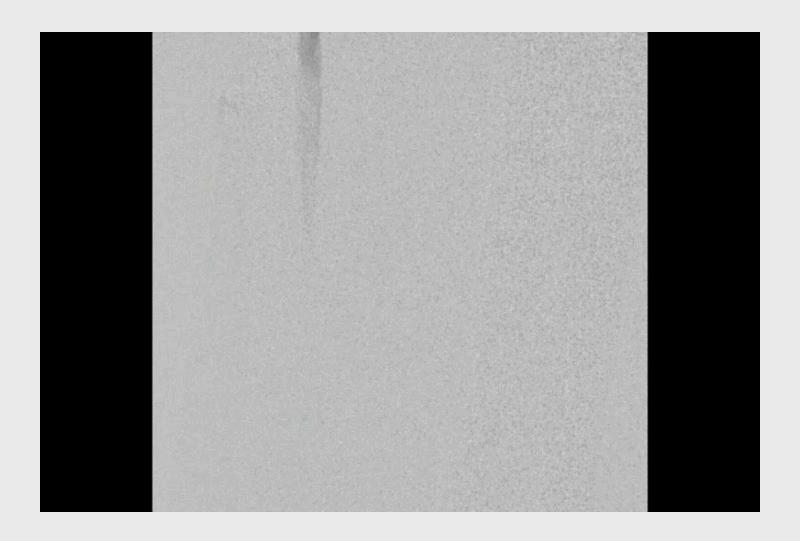
#### **Diagnosis**

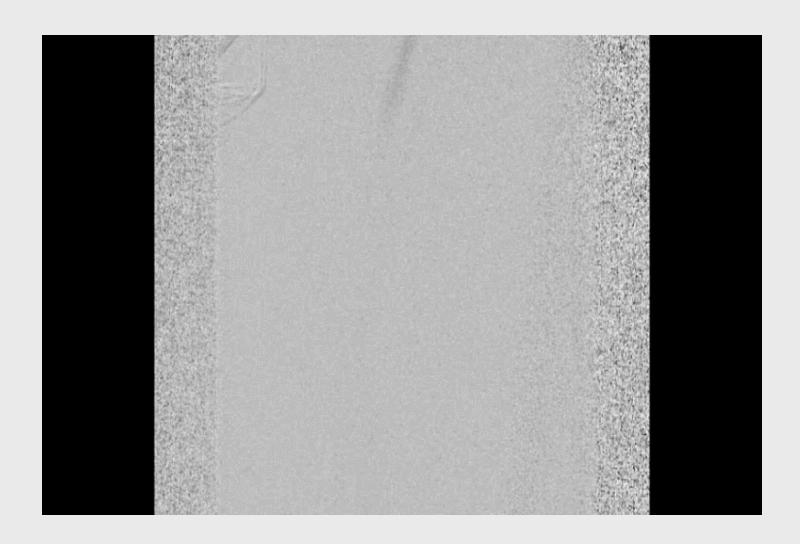
- Apparently good FEM-POP patency
- Occlusion of ATA





## DSA using antero-posterior projection





### DSA using oblique projections



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RAO 30°



RAO 30° CRA 15°

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# Step-by-step approach in CTOs crossing strategy

The first step in percutaneous recanalization is to cross the long CTOs typical of diabetic CLI. Different techniques are now available: endoluminal approach, subintimal, trans-collateral, pedal-plantar loop technique and retrograde puncture of the vessel beyond the CTO. The next slide summarizes the role of these different techniques in a step-by-step approach.

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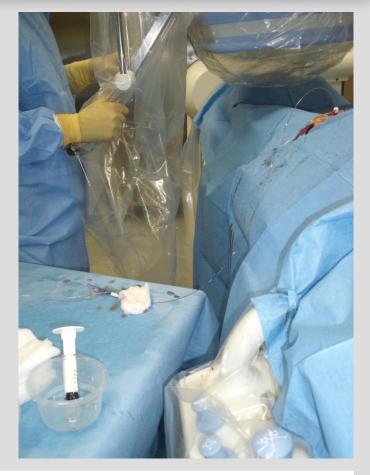
#### The Management of Diabetic Foot

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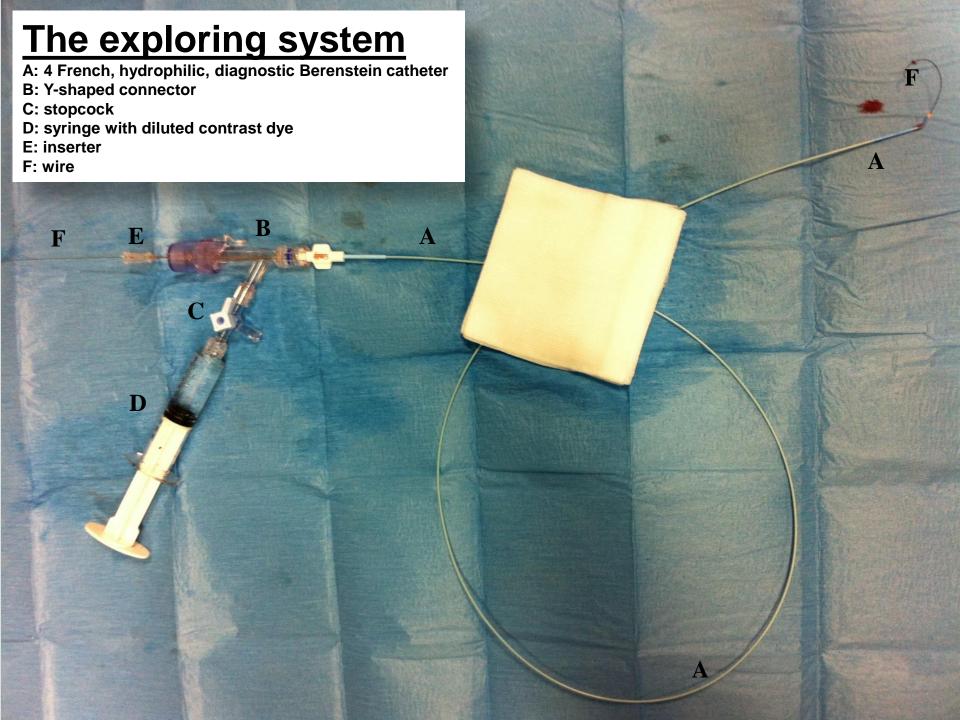
### Position of the operator





In antegrade femoral approach we prefer to work in this way:

- the patient has the head on the right side of the operator
- The screen are on the right side of the patient, in front of the operator
- The table is on the right side of the operator and the devices (balloons etc) can be put directly on the table



# Step-by-step approach in CTOs crossing strategy

Antegrade approach 1. Endoluminal **Failure** 2. Subintimal Retrograde puncture **Transcollateral** Pedal-plantar loop technique

2. Peroneal artery branches PTA

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#### **Targets in CLI revascularization**

Complete revascularization

1 vessel better than 0

2-3 vessels better than 1

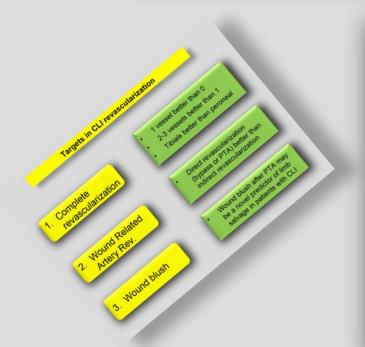
Tibials better than peroneal

Wound Related Artery Rev.  Direct revascularization (bypass or PTA) better than indirect revascularization

3. Wound blush

 Wound blush after PTA may be a novel predictor of limb salvage in patients with CLI

#### **Targets in CLI revascularization**



Complete/WRA/WB must not be uncritically pursued: the procedure must be tailored on technically realistic strategies and on the general patient status. Consider patient/foot/technique and the possibility to check the clinical result on the wound in the next days and, in case of persistent ischemia, to improve the result in another procedure

#### **PATIENT**

- Procedure time
- Volume infused
- Contrast dye amount
- Double antiplatelet therapy
- Procedure stress

#### **FOOT**

- Type/site of lesion
- Presence or not of infection
- Scheduled surgical procedure
- Ability to walk

#### **TECHNIQUE**

- Treatable vessels
- Technical options
- Material costs (balloons, atherectomy, stent, DES, DEB, laser etc.)
- Late patency

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#### INFECTION TREATMENT

- ULCER DEBRIDEMENT & URGENT SURGERY (GANGRENE/ABSCESS/ PHLEGMON)
- IDENTIFICATION OF BACTERIAL STRAINS → APPROPRIATE ANTIMICROBIAL TREATMENT
- METABOLIC & CARDIOLOGIC TREATMENT
- PRE-MEDICATIONS

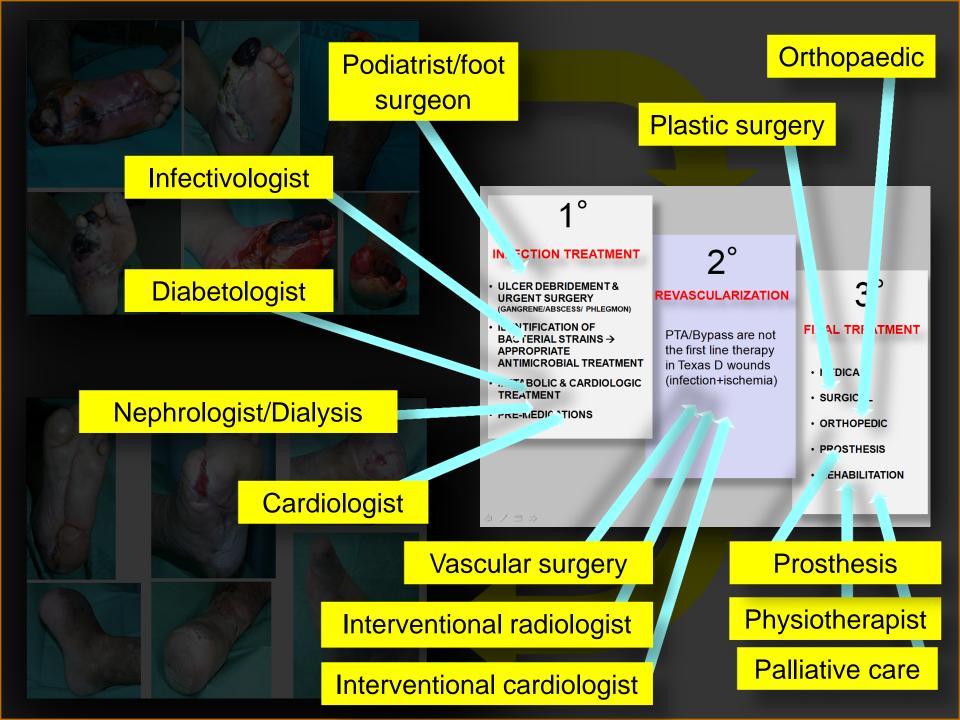
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#### **REVASCULARIZATION**

PTA/Bypass are not the first line therapy in Texas D wounds (infection+ischemia) 3°

#### **FINAL TREATMENT**

- MEDICAL
- SURGICAL
- ORTHOPEDIC
- PROSTHESIS
- REHABILITATION



## Multidisciplinary team

Inpatient & Inpatient Clinic

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#### **Medical team**

**Diabetologist** 

**Nephrologist** 

Cardiologist

Infectivologist

Neurologist

"Toe" team

Foot surgeon

Orthopedic

Plastic surgeon

Vascular surgeon

**Podiatrist** 

"Flow" team

Interventional cardiologist or radiologist

Interventional

Vascular surgeon

