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Pedal Arch Reconstruction in the Office Based Laboratory CASE OVERVIEW - John Rundback, MD, FAHA FSVM FSIR

Consultation—History

Patient is a 92-year-old woman with painful digital ulceration and focal gangrene left foot despite recent outside femoropopliteal angioplasty.

Cardiovascular risk factors are age, HTN and dyslipidemia.

She does not have a history of DM, CAD, renal dysfunction or smoking.

Arterial ultrasound test results (see image this page - lower right) show monophasic and absent waveforms indicating the areas either blocked entirely or narrowed. The posterior tibial artery and the lateral plantar runoff is occluded.

In this case, all three arteries below the knee that normally supply blood flow to the foot were completely occluded, posing a threat to her leg with possible amputation.

Plan

Perform tibial and pedal revascularization to the foot and restore straight line flow and perfusion to painful ischemic and early gangrenous digits.

Treatment

Extensive tibial occlusive disease with severe calcific stenosis of the posterior tibial artery successfully treated with laser atherectomy and angioplasty with restored unobstructed flow through the medial plantar runoff.

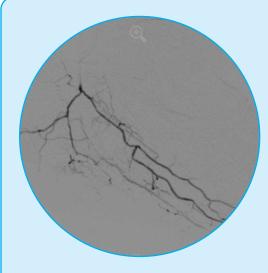


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	Waveform	Ratio	PSV (cm/s)
CFA	Multiphasic		87
PFA	Multiphasic	0.9	78
SFA Prox	Multiphasic	1.02	89
SFA Mid	Multiphasic	0.49	44
SFA Dis	Multiphasic	1.3	57
POP Prox	Multiphasic	1.05	60
POP Mid	Monophasic	0.55	33
POP Dis	Monophasic	1.48	49
PTA Prox	Absent		0
PTA Mid	Absent		0
PTA Dis	Multiphasic	0.69	34
ATA Prox	Absent		0
ATA Mid	Absent		0
ATA Dis	Multiphasic	0.65	32
DPA	Multiphasic	2.66	85
PER	Absent		0

"I have worked with both Dr. Herman and Dr. Rundback. They saved the limb of one of my patients that the endovascular surgeon told me was unsalvageable. I have not found too many doctors willing to restore flow to the foot and the plantar arch and who have been successful. If we want to pride ourselves in being the best we need to associate with the best."

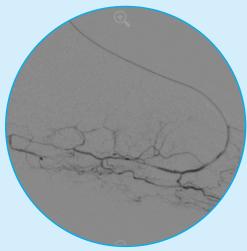
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POST PROCEDURE ANGIOGRAM

Severe disease of the dorsalis pedis artery and occlusion of plantar pedal arch successfully treated with angioplasty achieved remarkable results and restored plantar pedal arch patency, and uninterrupted straight-line flow to the patient's affected areas of focal gangrene in the second and fourth digits (see Post Procedure Angiogram - above and below left).



EARLY FOLLOW-UP

After just three weeks, the foot is warm, pink, and without pain (right).



Discussion

- Foot and toe wounds require dedicated revascularization of the more challenging tibial arteries below the knee and the arteries of the foot (pedal loop arteries).
- Disease in these arteries is characterized by long complete blockages and dense hardening of the arteries due to calcium deposits that require specialized experience, skills, and tools for successful treatment.
- Opening up the "inflow" arteries of the upper leg is often insufficient! This patient had ongoing pain and early gangrene despite recent "inflow" angioplasty.
- CRITICAL LIMB THREATENING ISCHEMIA CAN BE SUCCESSFULLY TREATED MORE THAN 80% OF THE TIME EVEN WHEN OTHER DOCTORS HAVE FAILED OR HAVE NOT HAD THE NECESSARY EXPERIENCE TO ACHIEVE OPTIMAL RESULTS.

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