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# <u>Atherectomy with drug-eluting balloon for</u> <u>common femoral artery occlusive disease: short</u> <u>term experience</u>

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# INTRODUCTION

- Gold standard treatment for occlusive lesions of the common femoral artery used to be endarterectomy.
- In recent years, interest for endovascular treatment of the common femoral artery has been increasing<sup>1</sup>.
- Stenting of the common femoral artery is possible<sup>1,2</sup> but we believe it is better to avoid it. Calcified arterial lesions are not well treated with drug coated balloons alone<sup>3</sup>.

<sup>1</sup> Deloose K, Martins I, Neves C, Callaert J. Endovascular treatment for the common femoral artery: is there a challenger to open surgery? J Cardiovasc Surg. 2019;60:8-13. <sup>2</sup> Gouëffic Y, Della Schiava N, Thaveau F, Rosset E, Favre JP, Salomon du Mont L, Alsac JM, Hassen-Khodja R, Reix T, Allaire E, Ducasse E, Soler R, Guyomarc'h B, Nasr B. Stenting or Surgery for De Novo Common Femoral Artery Stenosis. JACC Cardiovasc Interv. 2017;10:1344-1354.

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# INTRODUCTION

- Vessel preparation with rotational atherectomy, followed by drug-eluting balloon usage, could be a good option.
- Our aim was to evaluate it for common femoral artery calcified occlusive disease.
- We report our early experience.







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# **METHODS**

- Prospective registry
- In one Belgian center: University Hospital of Liège.
- Start in June 2021
- Inclusion of all atherosclerotic common femoral artery stenosis and chronic total occlusions.
- Percutaneous treatment: rotational atherectomy followed by drug coated balloon angioplasty.
- Exclusion: embolic occlusive disease, hybrid procedure (endovascular and open surgery), critical acute ischemia.
- Primary end point: primary patency rate.







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# RESULTS

Between June 2021 and March 2022, 22 patients including 4 with bilateral lesions were treated.



procedures	26	
men	15	
women	7	
mean age	75	
arterial hypertension	86% (19/22)	
smoking or stopped < 3 y.	55% (12/22)	
diabetes (all types)	32% (7/22)	
dyslipidemia (all types)	86% (19/22)	
chronic kidney disease	32% (7/22)	
Rutherford	3 stage 2, 18 stage 3, 3 stage 4, 2 stage 5	
mean ankle-brachial index	0,69	
chronic total occlusion	3	
heavy calcifications	100 %	ľ





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- All procedures were performed under local anesthesia.
- 19 were anterograde with controlateral femoral puncture and 7 were retrograde with ipsilateral superficial femoral puncture.
- No filter was used.
- Technical success rate was 100%.
- One asymptomatic embolization in deep femoral artery side branch.







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### RESULTS

### Deep femoral artery side branch embolization







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- Mean follow-up was 4 months.
- Primary patency rate was 100 %.
- 1 death after one month following cardiac decompensation.
- 1 toe amputation.
- 2 patients with none-ST-elevation myocardial infarction, 1 on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 1 on the 30<sup>th</sup> postoperative day.
- 2 patients with false aneurysm at the puncture site, one treated surgically and one with thrombin injection.
- All patients with decreased Rutherford stage peripheral arterial disease







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# CONCLUSIONS

- Rotational atherectomy followed by drug coated balloon angioplasty for common femoral artery calcified occlusive disease is *feasible* and *safe*.
- The advantages are
  - to avoid the potential complications of the surgical treatment
  - to leave nothing behind
- Long term results will be required.
- Enrollment and follow-up are on-going.



