

Managing the groin Pseudoaneurysm

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Am I a Groinery expert?

No

There is no such word in the dictionary!
Not allowed in scrabble!

So why ask me.?

My Remit?

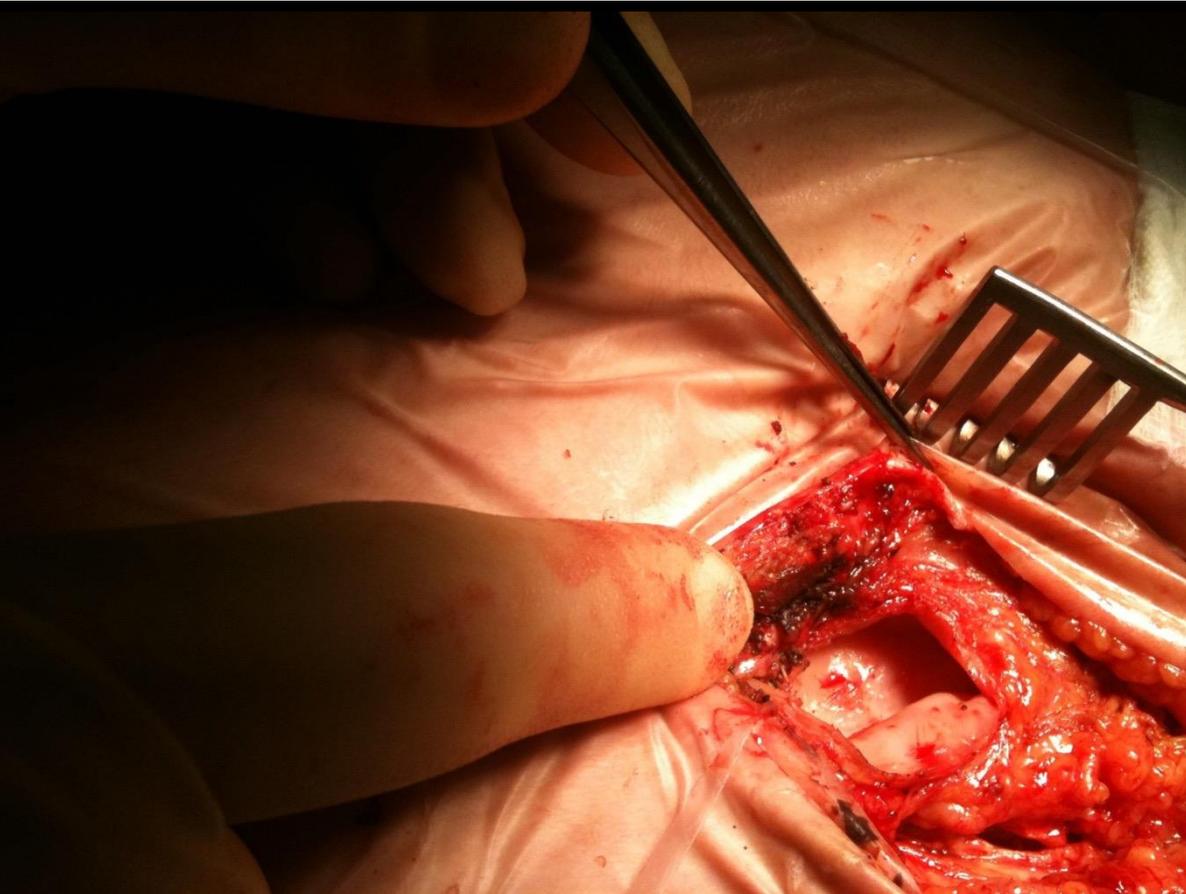
Groin Pseudoaneurysms

- **Post Cannulation- Cardiology / IR / PEVAR**
 - **IV DU – infection**

Anastomotic- Proximal / Distal Aspect of graft

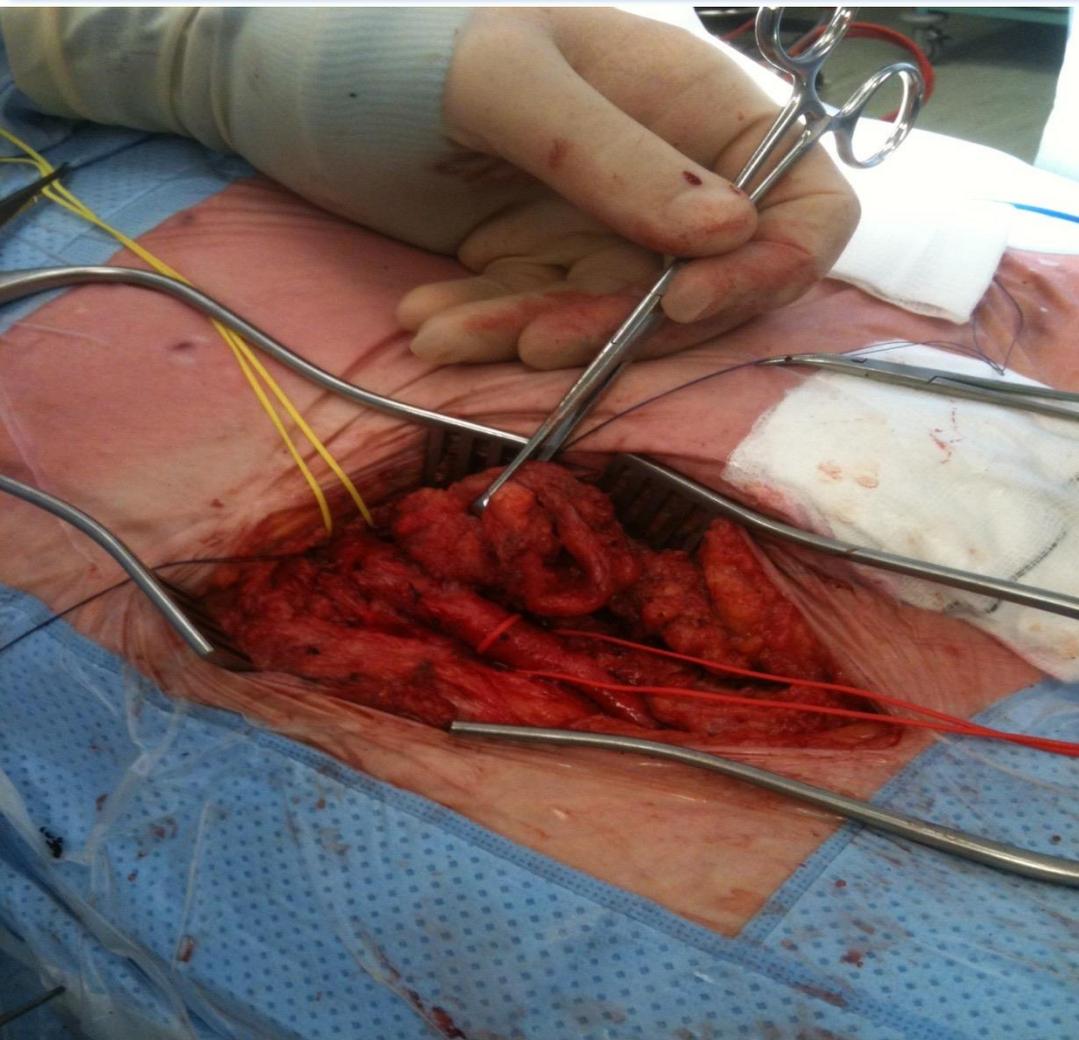
Is there advice on when to intervene?

How to repair? Role for endovascular / funny bypass options



Post PEVAR
Painful mass

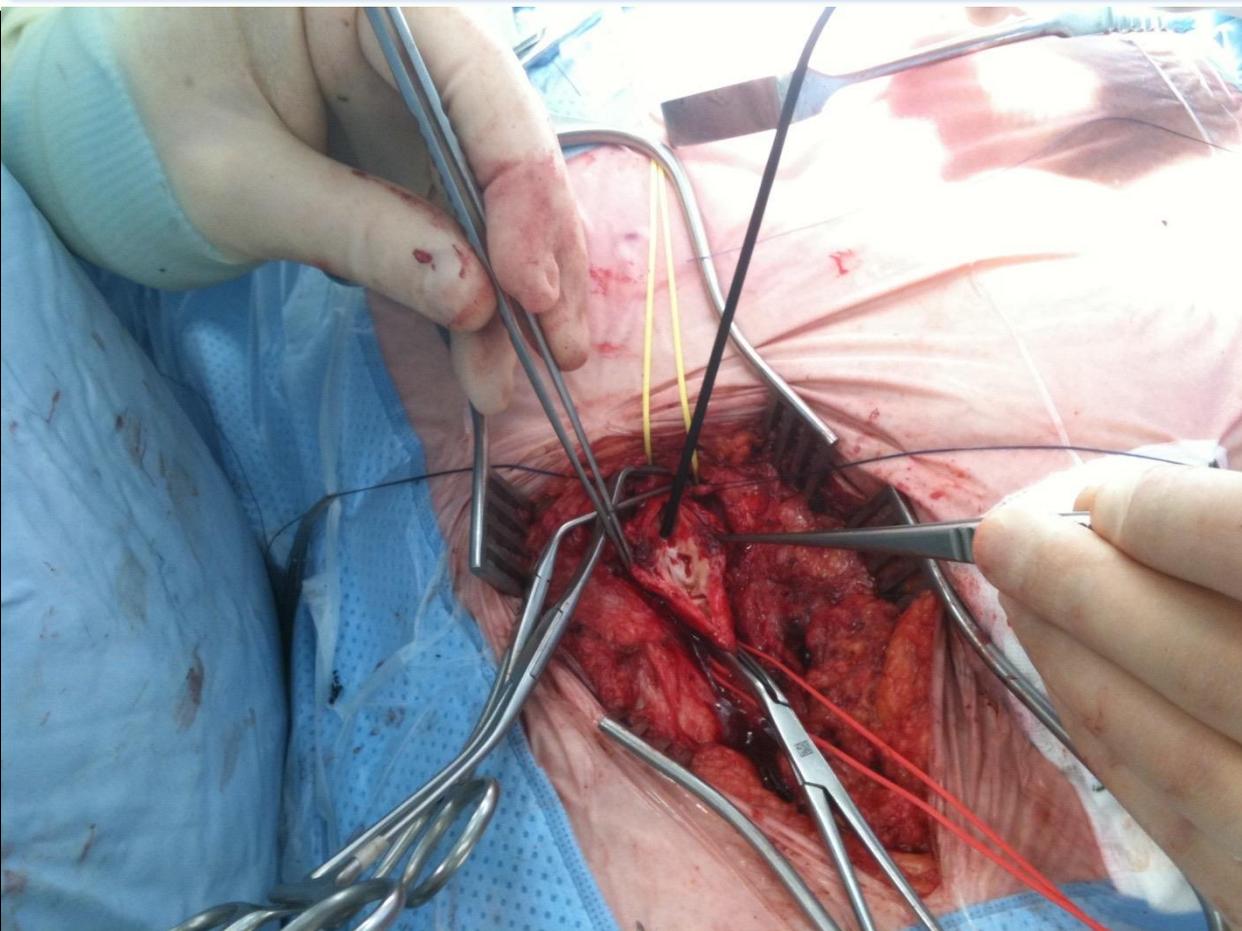
Post re-
intervention



Is it a Pseudoaneurysm /
False aneurysm?

Single layer of Fibrous
tissue as the wall of the
sac.

(Bailey and Love, 20th Ed
1988)



Difficulties of control;
Proximal dual clamp.
High PFA with balloon control.

Vein patch repair

No muscle flap required

What are the rules?

- **No role for Conservative Management if an anastomosis is disrupted!**
- **Increasing size risks arterial and venous compression, embolism or thrombosis
(Vascular and Endovascular Surgery 2nd ed)**
 - **Post Cannulation 2-3cm appears the cut off for intervention**

Post Cannulation?

Acceptable rate 0.2%

- Reported 0.6%-6%

Treat if over 2cm maximal diameter-

But NO Consensus guidelines

Look for neck length > .9cm

Thrombin injection ~97% success rate

Lack of Thrombin- US compression



Non resolution/ Expanding/ Skin Pressure

Oblique Groin Crease Incision
Control at the inguinal Ligament

Puncture site bleed- suture closure

Failed closure device – arteriotomy
and patch

Anastomotic False Aneurysms?

- Risk of making a come back?

**Often concern that these are due to
Chronic Infection.**

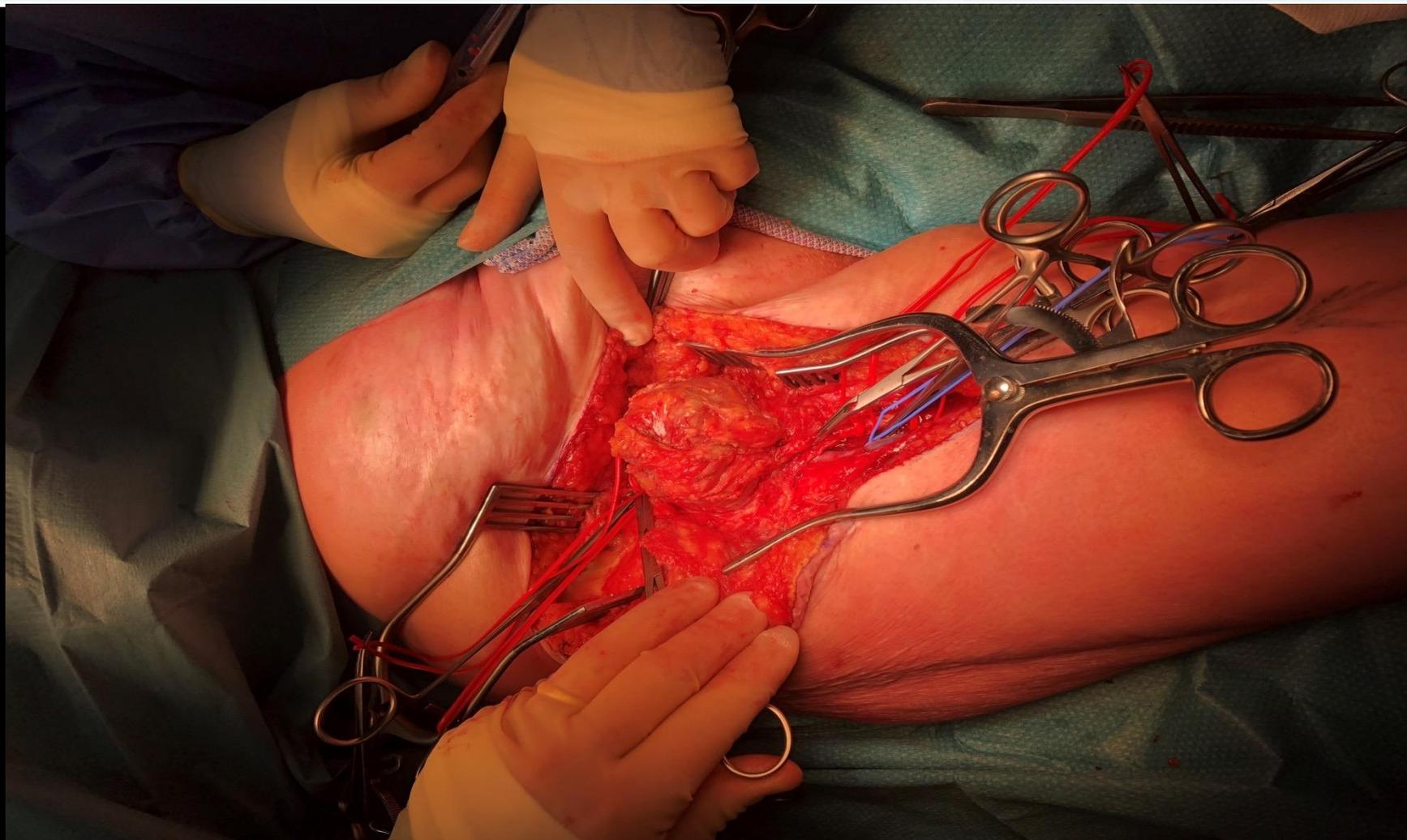
**But more likely technical or material
related; Suture breakage/ cutting
through.**

Technically
Challenging!

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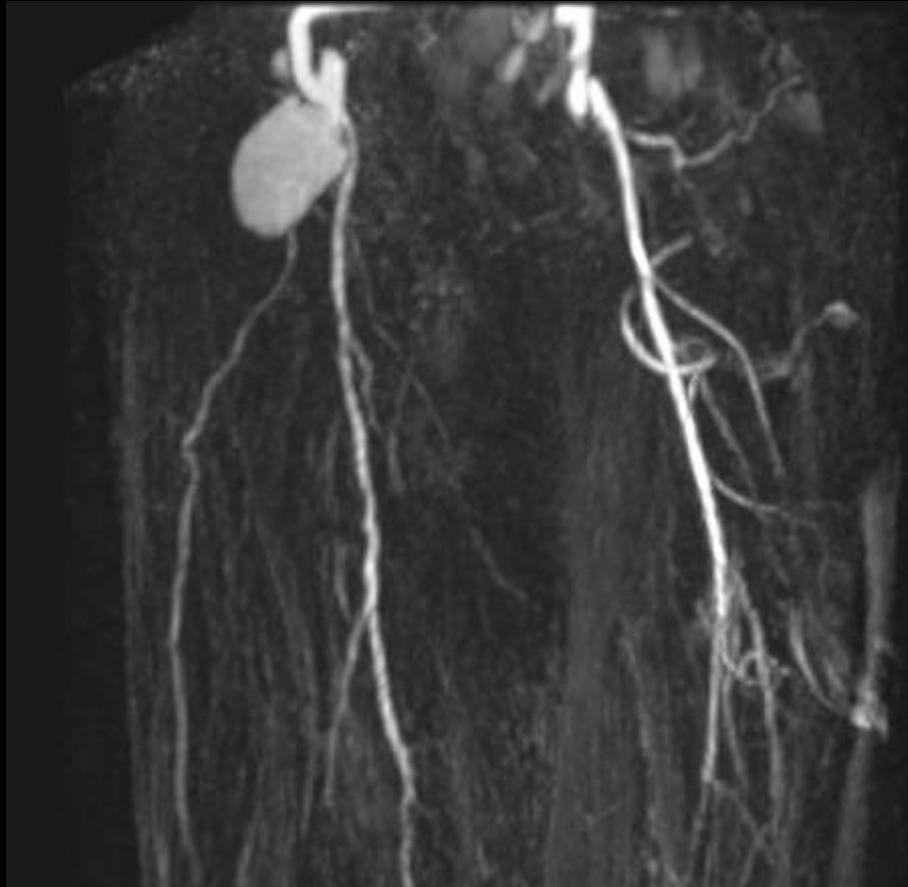
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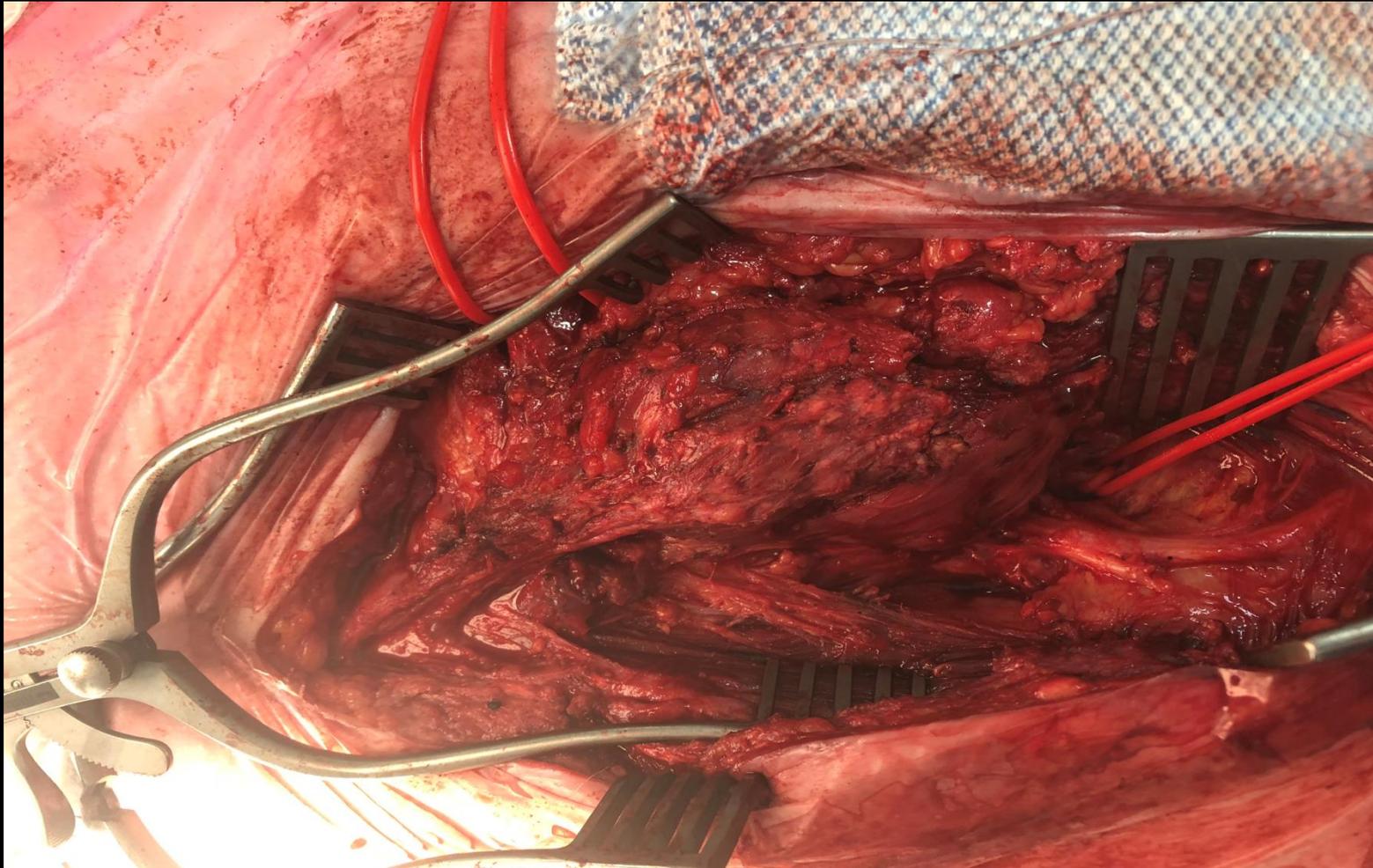
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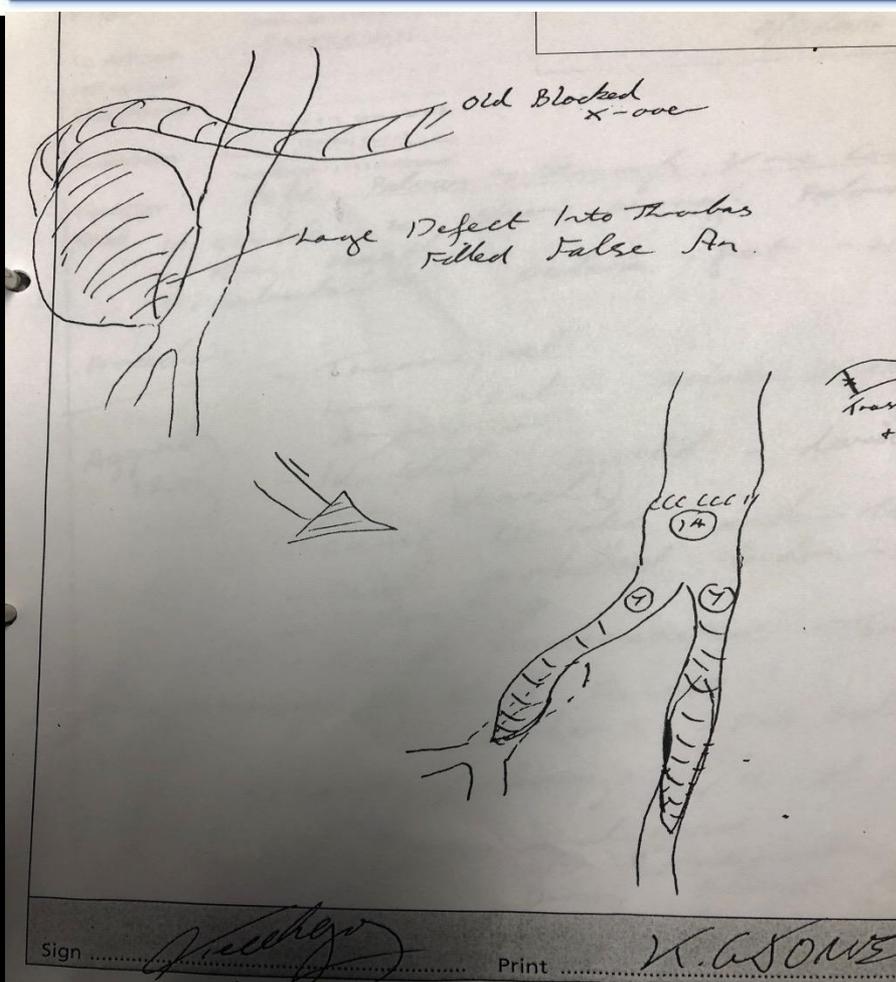
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Lateral False Aneurysm at
anastomotic site of old cross
over

Patent Aorto-femoral limb
Controlled-proximally

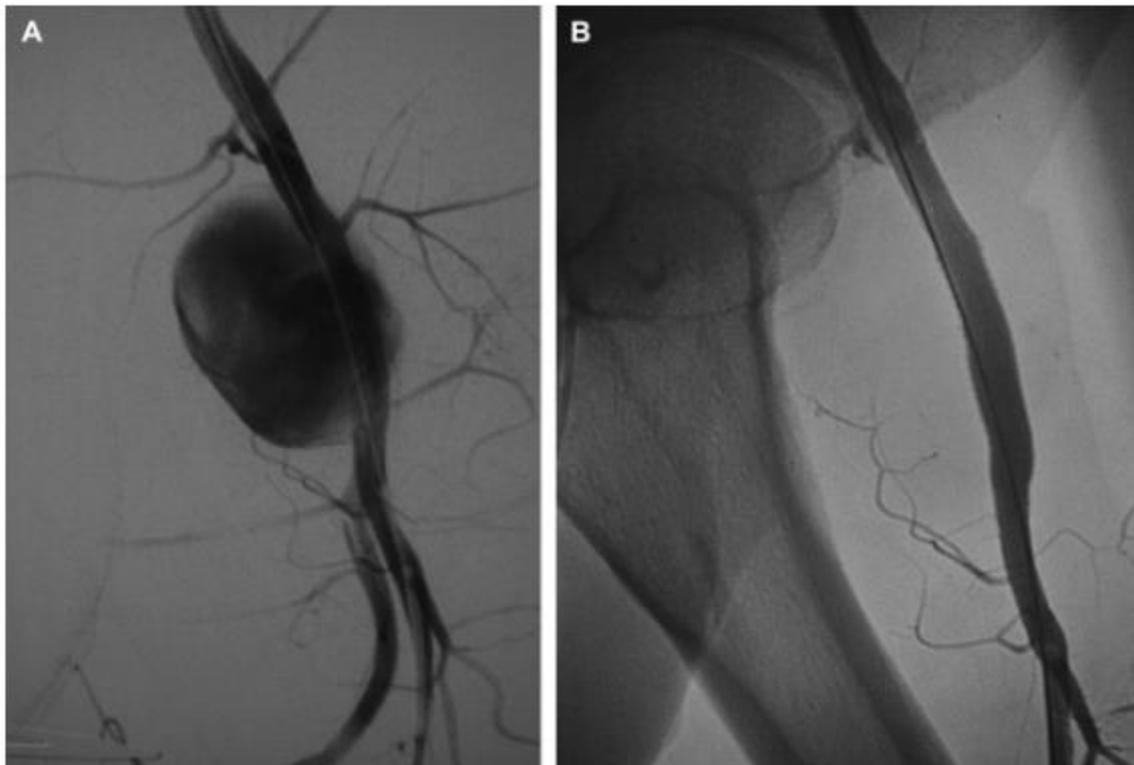
Silver graft soaked in
Rifampicin

Sartorius switch muscle flap
coverage.

Surgical Plan?

- Will the pt tolerate intervention or the complications!
- Plan your approach / control and have a back up!
- Plan the conduit replacement and have a autologous back up!
 - Expect it to take a long time!
- Expect to have to reconstruct a native vessel for an anastomosis

Warn the Anaesthetist



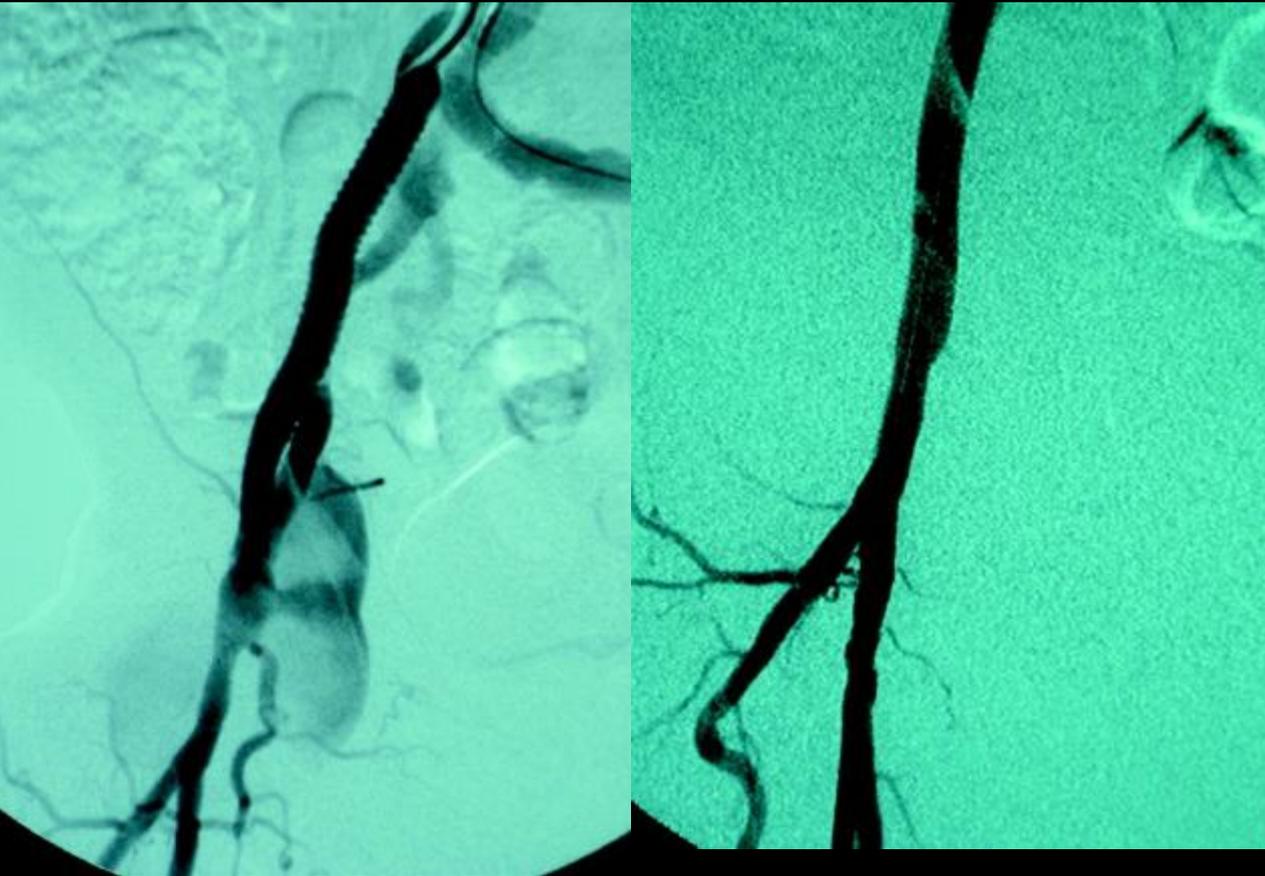
Immuno-
suppressed

Ipsilateral
access

Endovascular Options

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EJVS
Dec 2005

Case Series
Of 6 High risk
cases.



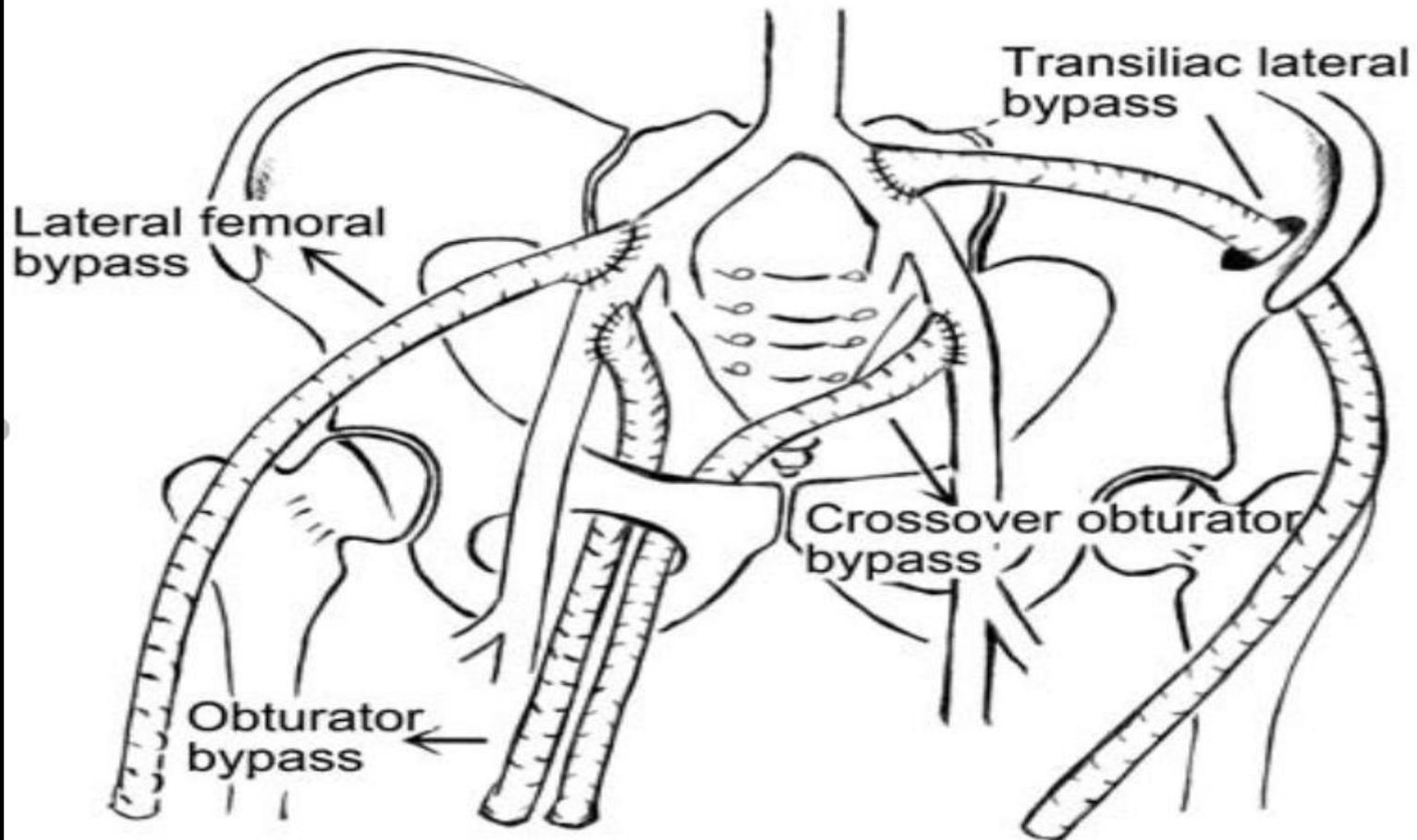
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But what if it is infected?

- The prosthetic has to go!
- All the groin vessels sewn over
- Extra anatomical Bypass ideally with vein.
- Can reconstruct SFA/PFA bifurcation distally.



Infected False Aneurysm Post Drug Injection

**Vascular Control
Debridement**

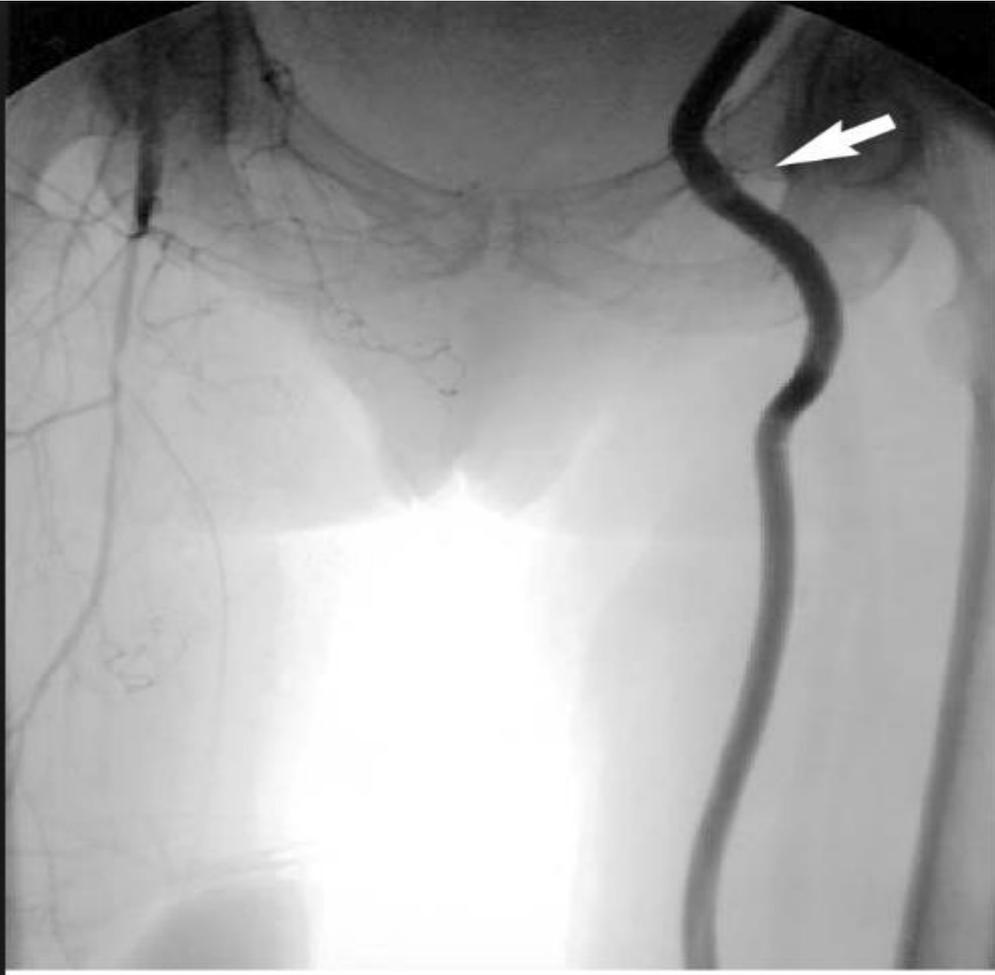
Primary Ligation

Risk of Amputation ~8%

(worse if all 3 vessels ligated)

Revascularisation~12% risk of amputation

Coughlin EJVS 2006



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Endovascular
stent control
of haemorrhage

Subsequent
definitive
revascularisation

Ahmad et al IJSCR 2017

Thank You
Any Questions?