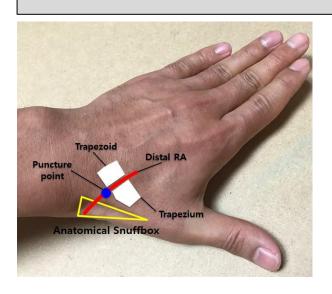


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Feasibility of PCI via left snuffbox approach







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From the father of transradial intervention



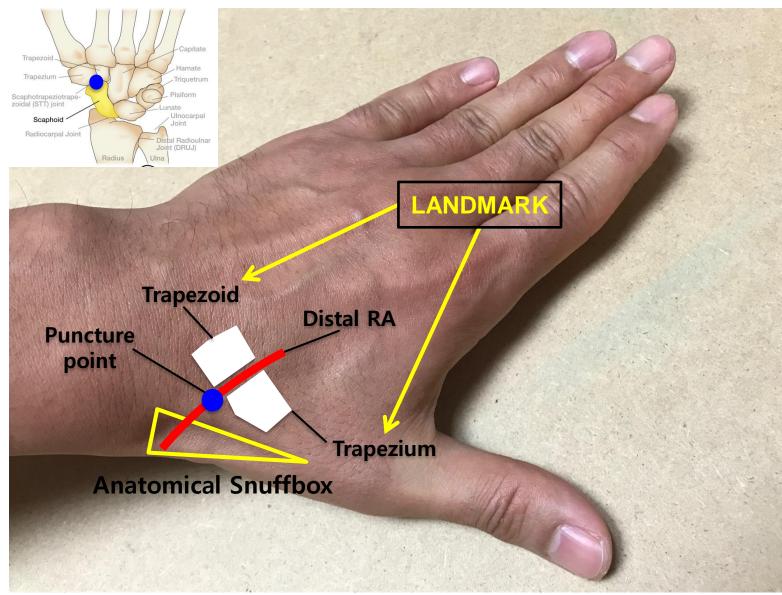


Distal radial approach = Snuffbox approach



Where is the anatomical snuffbox?







Positioning for left snuffbox approach





Lt. hand placing on Lt. femoral area (Neutral position)



Operator standing on the left side of the patient



How to do snuffbox puncture





Through-and-through technique for posterior wall puncture

→ more painful due to the touch of periostium

21 G open needle with 0.018-inch hair wire

Seldinger technique for anterior wall puncture

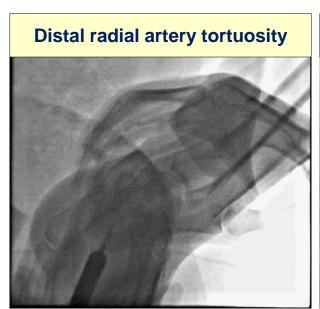
→ less painful due to no touch of periostium

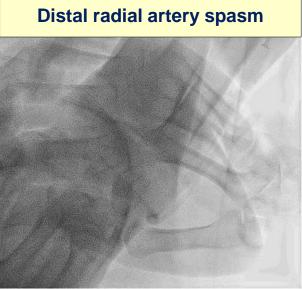


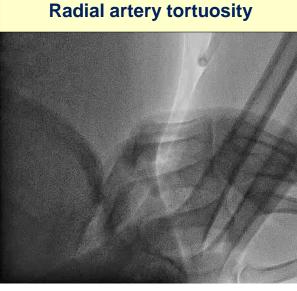


The benefits of 0.018-inch hair wire

















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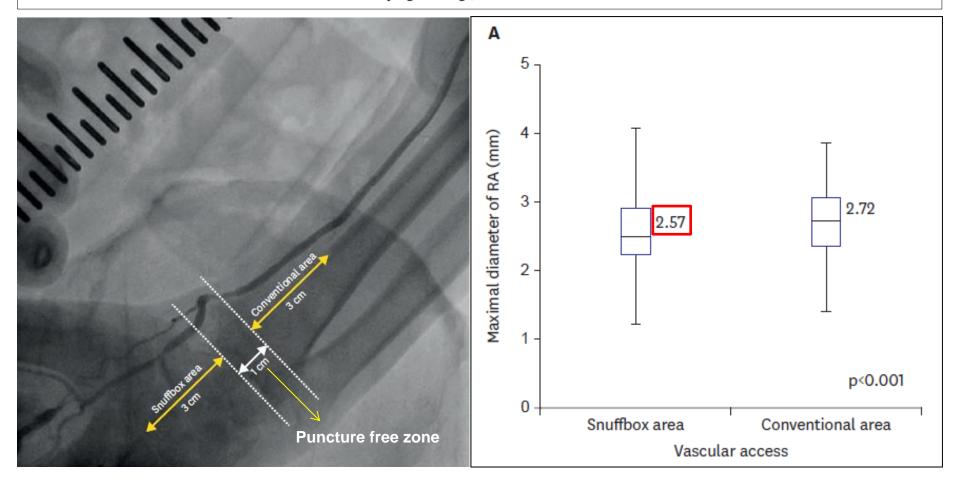
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Overall		792	96.0% (n=760)	93.4% (n=740)

Snuffbox approach is a feasible option than you thought!!!



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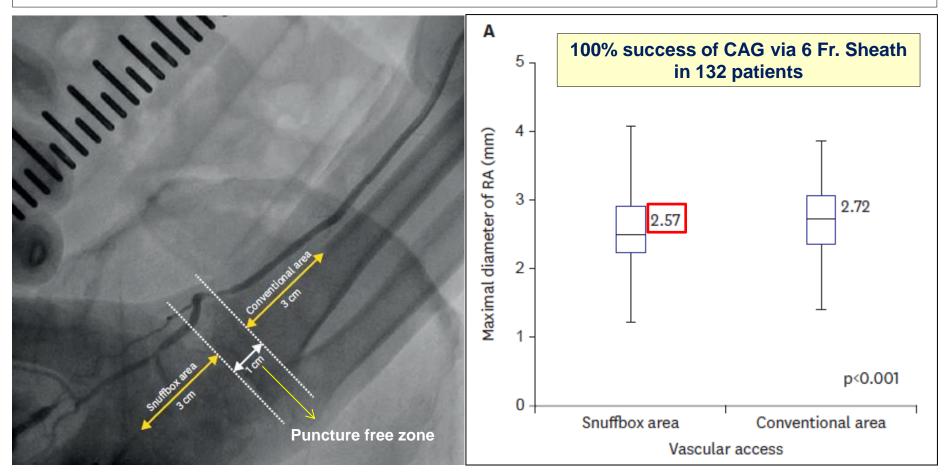
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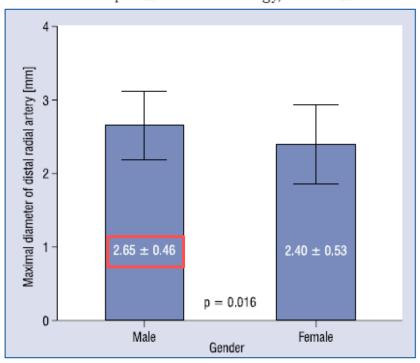
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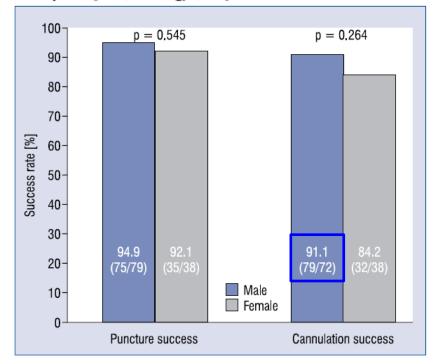
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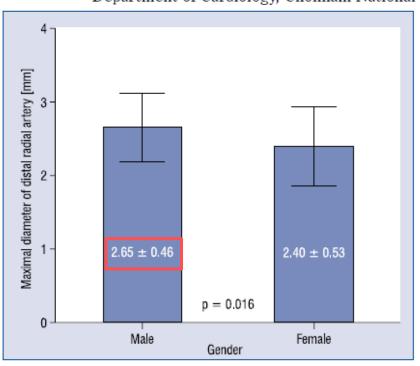
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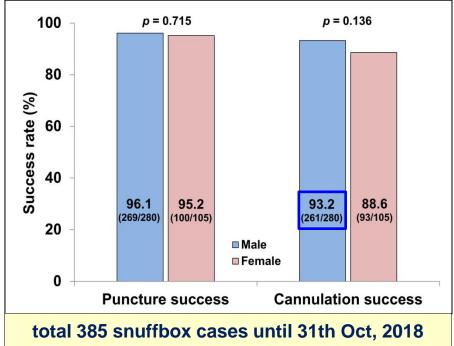
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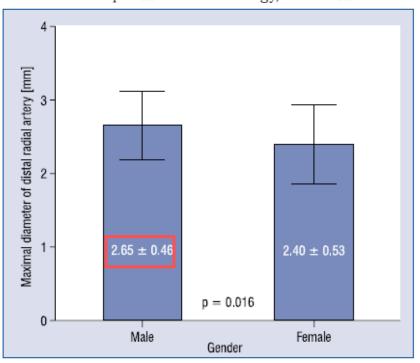
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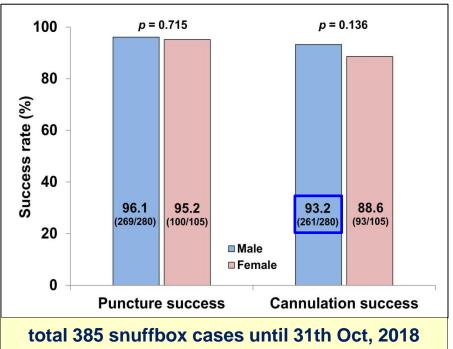
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Male patients would be more suited to an inexperienced "snuffboxer" when the left snuffbox approach is planned.

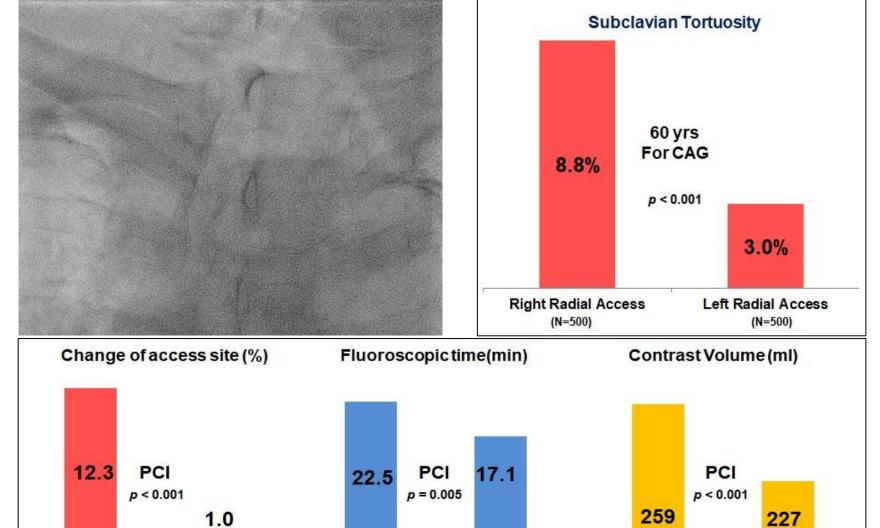


RRA

LRA

Why left snuffbox approach, not right?





LRA

RRA

TALENT study, CCI 2012; 80: 260-4

RRA

YMJ 2017; 58: 521-6

LRA





Don't have to bend your body



(Position as same as Rt.radial approach)





Concern regarding snuffbox approach (#3 Performance of snuffbox PCI)



Reason for PCI	n = 119	imaging-guided PCI	17 (14.3%)
- NSTEMI	41 (34.5%)	OCT-guided PCI	11 (9.3%)
- STEMI	13 (10.9%)	IVUS-guided PCI	6 (5.0%)
6 Fr Sheath	115 (96.6%)	Multivessel PCI	15 (12.6%)
Treated vessel	n = 129	Thrombus aspiration	9 (7.6%)
- LM	5 (3.9%)	Left guiding catheter	n = 95
- LAD	53 (41.1%)	- EBU type	68 (71.6%)
- LCx	34 (26.4%)	- Judkins	22 (23.2%)
- RCA	37 (28.7%)	- Amplatz	5 (5.3%)
Stent implantation	110 (92.4%)	Right guiding catheter	n = 31
Case ≥ two stents implantation	29 (24.4%)	- Amplatz	22 (71.0%)
FFR-guidance	7 (17.1%)	- Judkins	9 (29.0%)



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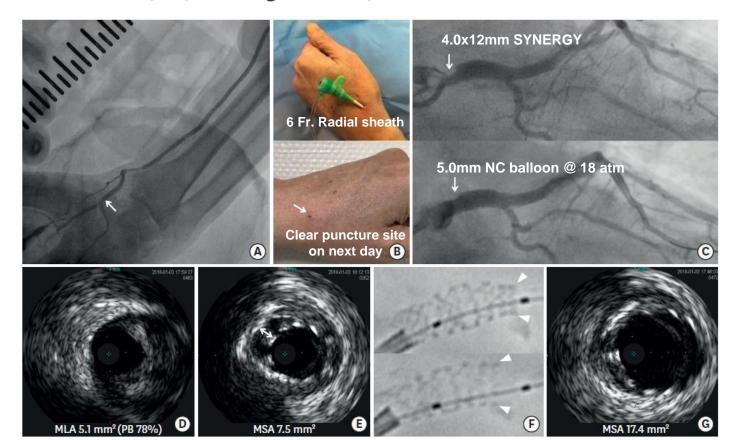




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Complete revascularization via left snuffbox approach in a nonagenarian patient with acute myocardial infarction

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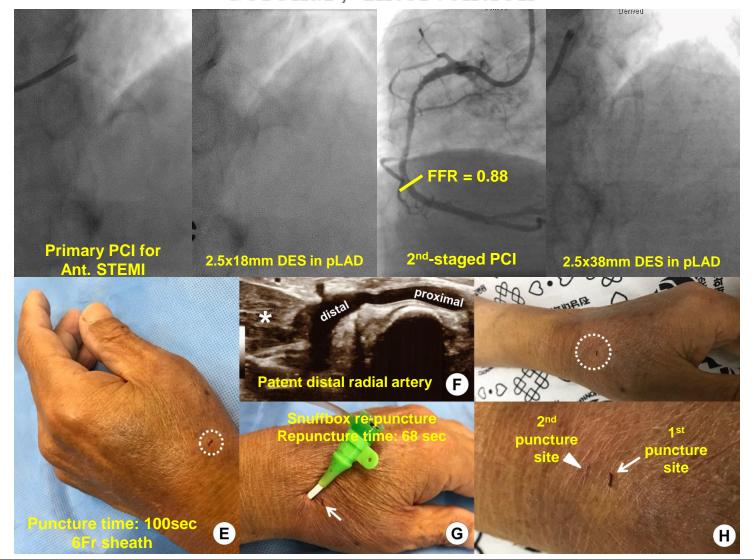
Figure 1. A. Peripheral angiography of left hand demonstrating successful puncture of the left distal radial artery (arrow: puncture site of left snuffbox approach); B. Inserted 6 Fr sheath via left snuffbox approach; C. Pre- (left) and post-interventional (right) coronary angiography in the right coronary artery; D. Pre- (left) and post-interventional (right) coronary angiography in the left circumflex artery; E. Hemostasis by manual compressive bandage with gauze; F. No vascular complication of puncture site the following day (white circle).

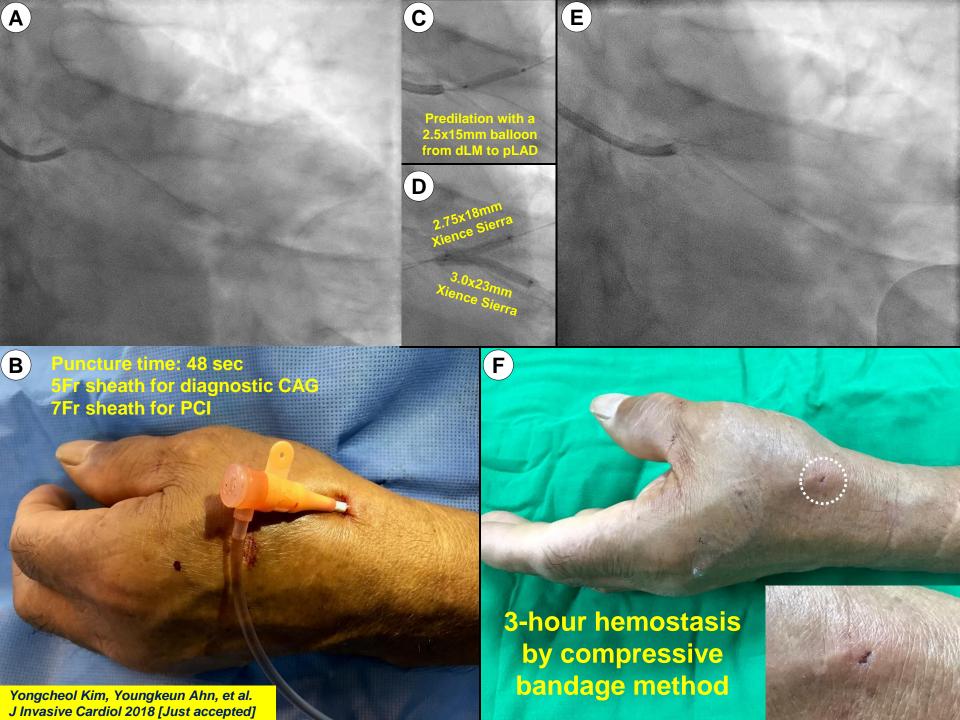
Regarding complete revascularization in patients with acute myocardial infarction, the feasibility of the distal radial artery approach, called snuffbox approach, has not been known well [Kim et al., Korean Circ J. 2018; 48: e118].

Furthermore, percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI) via the right conventional radial approach for very old patients is sometimes challenging due to a difficulty of catheter manipulation by severe subclavian tortuosity leading to crossover to femoral access, even though the transradial approach significantly reduces vascular complication in elderly patients. This case highlights the feasibility of mutivessel PCI via the left snuffbox approach in a very old patient with acute myocardial infarction.

CLINICAL IMAGES

Recannulation of Distal Radial Artery for Staged Procedure After Successful Primary Percutaneous Coronary Intervention







Snuffbox approach hemostasis



Compressive bandage method



Hemostasis by PreludeSYNC™ DISTAL



Regarding vascular complication, forearm swelling with bruising, not requiring surgery or transfusion, occurred in 2 (1.7%) cases

My personal opinion regarding snuffbox approach

- Snuffbox puncture is not difficult than you thought
- PCI performance via left snuffbox approach is as same as conventional Rt. radial approach (maybe better)
- Left snuffbox approach would be beneficial for the selected patients, such as old age, high bleeding risk, ESRD or CKD, and CABG
- Further large, prospective, multicenter, randomized study regarding comparison with the conventional radial approach should be needed

Are you ready to become a "Snuffboxer" ??

