Three VSD Closures

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Case 1. VSD due to Stab Injury

13 YO boy

Multiple stab injury by his psychotic brother Massive bleeding from the chest stab wound,

- 3 cm laceration
- Deepest wound with bleeding in superolateral portion of the left nipple





Rt. ankle



Back



Back



Lt. chest



deepest wound

He arrived at other general hospital with a shock state, sBP; 60 mmHg Active bleeding from the chest stab wound Initial Hb 6.0g/dl

After chest tube insertion,
→ Initial 800 cc bleeding
→ Continued bleeding
→ Chest tube was clamped
→ Transfer to our ER
→ Immediately moved to OR



1st Operation

Cardiac arrest at OR

- → External cardiac massage
- → Median sternotomy
- → Open cardiac massage
- → Relief cardiac tamponade

LV laceration

LV repair



Simple closure of LV laceration

Intrathoracic bleeding control



4 th rib Fx at sternocostal joint

Intercostal v. bleeding

Intraoperative TEE after ventricular wall repair



Large muscular VSD near the apex (with L-R shunt)

2nd Operation

Repair of traumatic VSD with Dacron patch



Septal Defect Repair



Intraoperative TEE after VSD repair





Still residual defect but, could not assumed the amount of cerebral injury → Surgery was completed with residual defect

Postop. TTE (2 weeks later)



6 months later (DOE Fc 2)



Qp/Qs = 2.2, peak PA pr 54 mmHg



$L \rightarrow R$ passage and Snared from femoral vein

7 Fr delivery sheath, 10 mm muscular VSD device



Device Positioning



Too deep \rightarrow protruded to the LV



Device Positioning



Too superficial → LV disc expanded in the VSD tunnel



Final Device Position





Device Detached





Qp/Qs <1.2, minimal residual shunt on TEE

16 years later (Now 29 YO man)



The 2nd case, Infarct VSD

- F/76, 20 PY smoker, Previous healthy
- 5 DA, continuous resting pain for 12 hrs followed by worsening dyspnea
- P/E

V/S 94/62 mmHg – 110 – 26 – 36.5°C Pansystolic murmurs on LLSB, IV/VI Coarse inspiratory crackles on BLLF

- Enzyme
 - CK/MB/Tn-I 99/1.72/2.60

Initial CXR

Initial ECG





Delayed presentation of anterior STEMI with pulmonary edema



TTE; VSD measurement



7 mm defect on apical septum



HF management for 2 days \rightarrow Angiogram



POBA and Thrombosuction

2.5 mm balloon

Thrombosuction





1 week later



Improved pulmonary edema, but DOE while moving to the bath room Surgery recommended → reluctant → percutaneous VSD closure planned

Somewhat improved but, poor distal to-and-fro runoff

FU Angiogram



LV Angiogram



Amplatzer Occluder

m-VSD occluder ; Not available

ASD occluder ; not permitted

Off label use of ASD occluder ; thin VSD defect

Qp/Qs=2.5, peak PA pressure 50 mmHg

General anesthesia, TEE guidance



JR 5Fr + Terumo .035" → Snared from the femoral vein

TEE Measurement



9 mm defect

9 Fr sheath delivery

Positioning & Detachment





Amplatzer ASD 18 mm occluder

Wiggling & Detachment





Amplatzer ASD 18 mm occluder

Residual Shunt



Qp/Qs 2.5 → 1.7





At 10 days



Still DOE Fc IIb - III

1 month later

LV EF 40-45% Still remnant shunt, TR Vmax 3.2m/sec But, persistent DOE Fc III



Coil Embolization





1 Month later Broken coil tip in TV



13 years later (Now 89 YO woman)



The 3rd case, Infarct VSD

- M/67, Anterior STEMI → Visited 2 days later
- HF with pulmonary edema



EF 35%, Infarct VSD Pulmonary edema



mLAD occlusion



VSD patch closure with ECMO



At 2 weeks, Pulmonary edema Hepatic congestion



VSD closure with Amplatzer m-VSD 16 mm occluder



VSD closure with Amplatzer m-VSD 16 mm occluder



Small remnant, but happy for 4 yrs

Percutaneous Closure For Infarct VSD

- Optimize hemodynamics with appropriate support
- Surgical vs. Percutaneous closure → should be individualized
- Timing for closure → should be individualized
- Sizing for device selection → not established yet
- Beware of complications
 - Device embolization, Remnant shunt, LV rupture, Arrhythmia...
- Can be a good alternative option to surgery