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Application of Kissing Balloon Technique in Radiocephalic AV Fistula Stenosis: Case Report

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A 46 year—old woman with a history of hypertension, uremia on regular dialysis was referred from nephrologist for inadequate flow during dialysis for percutaneous transluminal angioplasty (PTA). Left radio—cephalic AV fistula with thrill over anastomotic site was noted. A 6 Fr sheath was inserted to distal left radial artery and bifurcation lesion was noted over radial artery and juxta—anastomotic cephaic vein lesion. The arterial lesion was crossed with a .014" PT2 wire and venous lesion was crossed with a .035" Terumo wire. This bifurcation lesion was dilated with kissing balloon technique. The arterial lesion was dilated with a 3.5/20 mm Sprinter balloon at 6 atm and venous lesion was dilated with a 6.0/40 mm Reef balloon at 20 atm. Final kissing was performed (A: 3.5/20 mm Sprinter balloon at 6 atm, V: 6.0/40 mm Reef balloon at 10 atm). Adequate angiographic result with good flow was noted after PTA. Conclusion: For bifurcation lesion involving both arterial and venous anastomotic site in AV fistula, kissing balloon technique is a good way to avoid plaque shifting during PTA procedure.