

EMBOLIZATION OF PERCUTANEOUS LEFT ATRIAL APPENDAGE OCCLUSION DEVICE: RESCUE SURGERY

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59-year-old women with permanent atrial fibrillation and previous haemorrhagic stroke was admitted for percutaneous left atrial appendage occlusion. Shortly after, AmplatzerTM device migration into the left

ventricular outflow tract was confirmed. Unsuccessful transcatheter mobilization led to an emergent surgery for device retrieval and LAA closure. No events at 6-month follow-up.

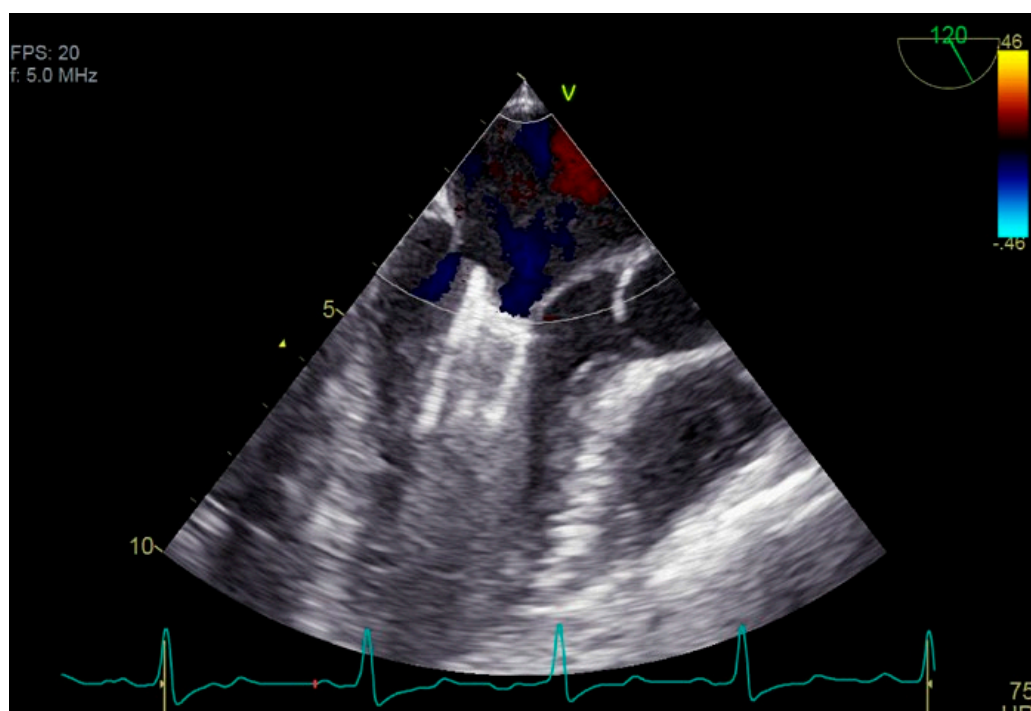


Figure 1

Intraoperative transesophageal echocardiography showing device migration into the left ventricular outflow tract, entrapped in mitral subvalvular apparatus.

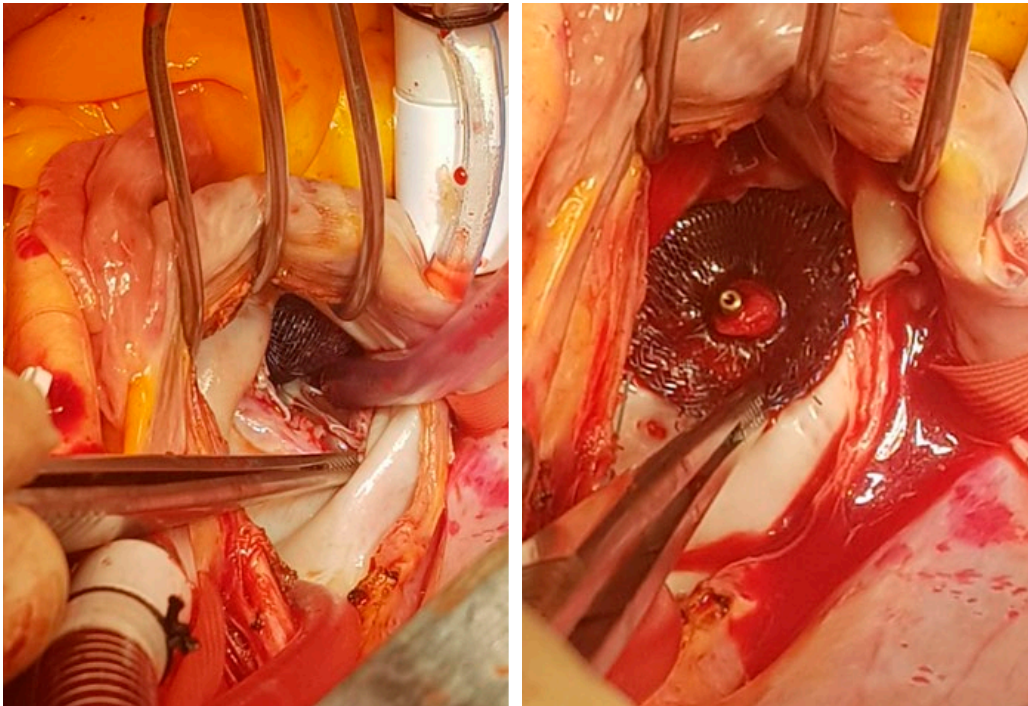


Figure 2 *Amplatzer™ device retrieval by left atriotomy.*