

# Occluders retrieval

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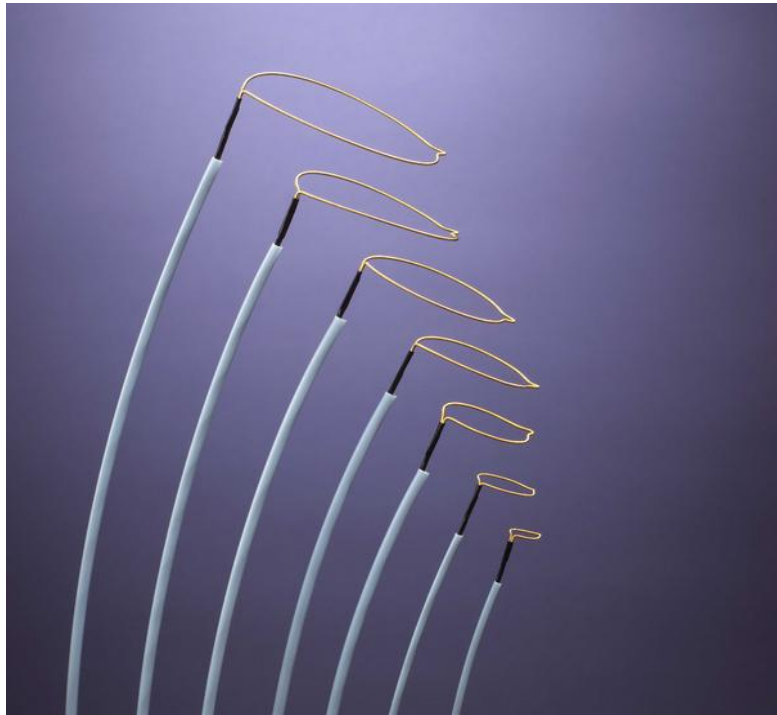
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# Occluders used for closure of defects or vessels

- Coils
- Vascular plugs
- Duct occluder
- Septal occulders
- Others, stents,

# Snare & biopsy





# Retrieval of coils

- Migration of coils was rather common in catheter closure of PDA  $> 3$  mm or BT shunts
- Migration to distal PA
- Advancing a sheath to PA than pass a 5-10 mm snare
- Snare the metallic end of a coil
- Retrieve to the sheath

# Retrieval of pfm coil

- Technically similar to retrieval of Gianturco coil
- Beware of valve damages

# Vascular plug retrieval

- Plug I retrieval is relatively easy because it is very soft
- A long sheath or guiding catheter is required
- Plug II, III, IV

# ADO retrieval

- ADO >> PDA, fistula, perimembranous type VSD, rupture sinus valsalva aneurysm closure.
- Migration of ADO is uncommon
- Retrieval by snaring the screw through a long sheath



# ASD septal occluder embolization

- **most common serious complication of catheter closure incidence 0.5 5~ 2 %, occurs most common within 24 hr after procedure, may occur several days or months later.**
- **Management**
  - \* **transcutaneous retrieval with a snare or bioptome**
  - \* **surgery if percutaneous retrieval is not successful**

# ASD occluder embolization

- **the most common complication of ASD closure**
- **possible reasons for embolization**
  - \* **inappropriate device size selection**
  - \* **inappropriate device position**
  - \* **deficient “important” rims or presence of floppy rim**
  - \* **malfunction of screwing mechanism**
  - \* **operator related technical issues**

# Facts about ASD septal occluder retrieval

- transcatheter retrieval of embolized device 16.7%
- surgical retrieval of embolized device 77.2 %
- mortality 2 death

Moore et al. JACC Intervention 2013;433-442

# Factors associated with embolization of device

- large defect
- floppy rims
- undersized device
- deficient aortic rim
- overzealous minnesota wiggle
- mobility of device post implant
- physical strain
- Technical issues (improper deployment)

**CCI 2005;65:588-92**

**JACC 2002;39:1061-5**

**Am H J 2006;151:228-34**

# Time to embolization

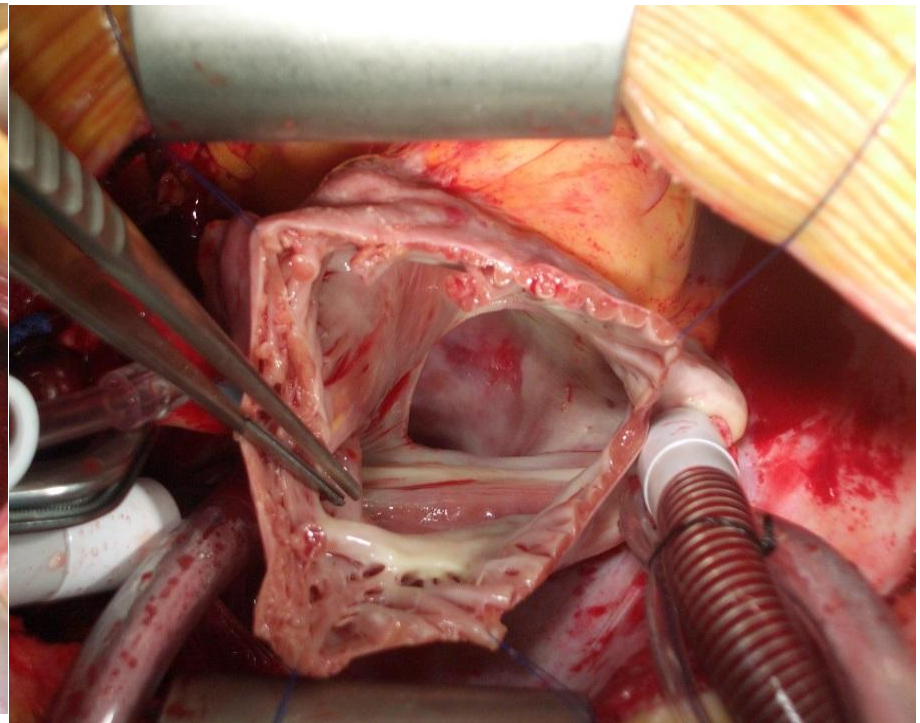
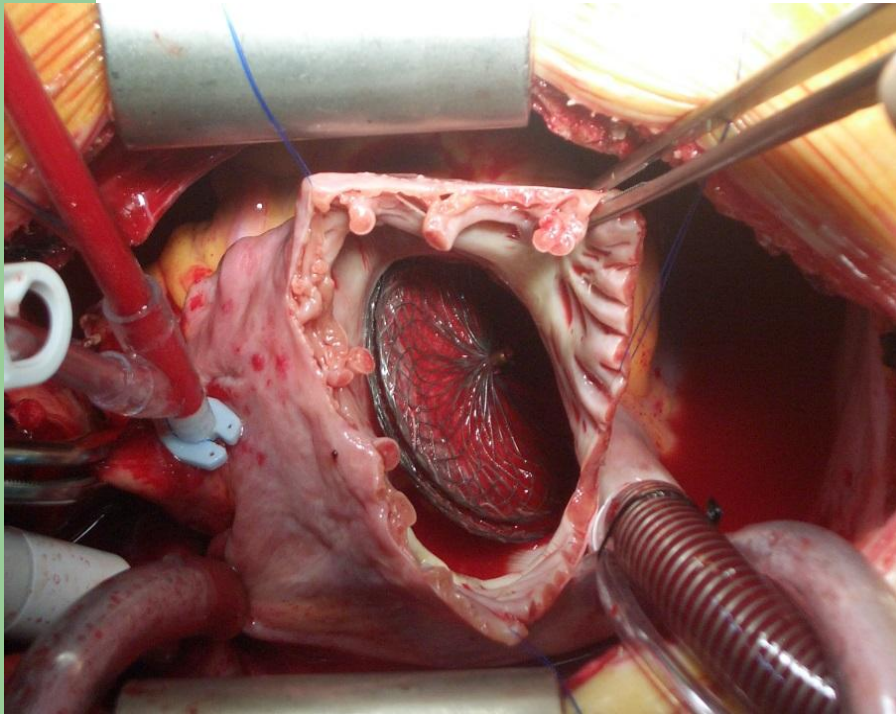
- **most common within 24 hrs**
- **uncommon after 24 hrs**
- **A report of 4 years after deployment  
(no endothelialization)**

# Migration 4 year after deployment

- **Incomplete Endothelialization and Late Dislocation After Implantation of an Amplatzer Septal Occluder Device**

Feng Chen, MD\*; Xianxian Zhao, MD\*; Xing Zheng, MD;  
Shaoping Chen, MD; Rongliang Xu, MD; Yongwen Qin, MD  
Circulation 2011;124:118

# Device dislodged in a child with a large ASD with $> 2$ rims deficiency



# Retrieve the device

- **transcatheter retrieval for smaller devices using goose neck snare or biptome**
- **Use 1-2 size larger sheath**
- **Surgeons stand by**



# Retrieval of embolized device

- **LA, RA, most common, PA or RV**
- **use a sheath 2 size bigger or beveled sheath**
- **snare the screw**
- **Bioptome**
- **Successful in 70 % cases (AGA proctors)**  
**(Levi CCI 2004;61:543-7)**
- **> 26 mm difficult to retrieve emergent OP**

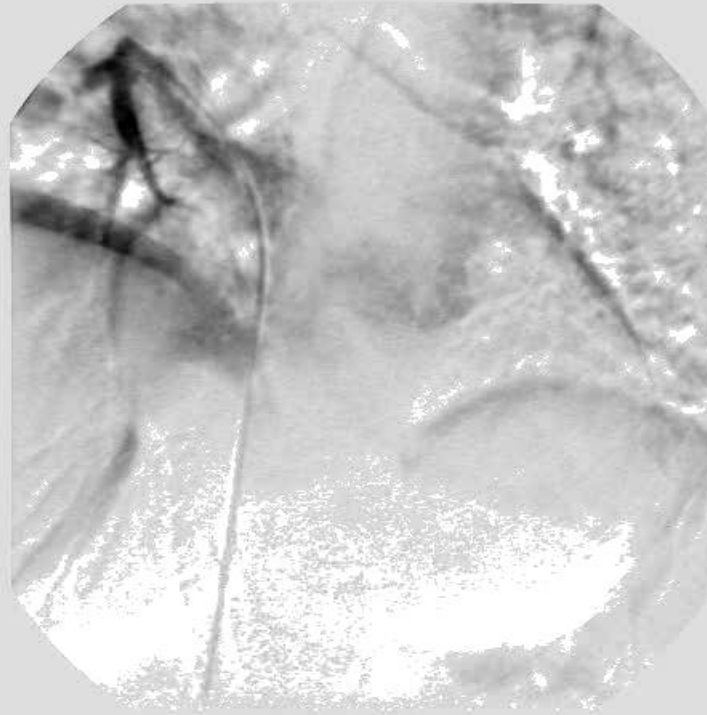
# Management of embolization

- **Heparinization**
- **General anesthesia preferred**
- **Stabilize the device using a bioptome to prevent further migration to AV valves or ventricles.**
- **call surgeon for arrangement of an emergent operation**

# Methods of retrieving migrated device ( I )

- Use of a larger sheath or beveled sheath
- Advance an end hole catheter to the migrated device
- Snare the device with a snare or bioptome
- Pull the device into the sheath
- A beveled sheath facilitate resheath the disc
- Sometimes IVC or iliac vein can be used as a large sheath

# An example of an ASD device retrieval



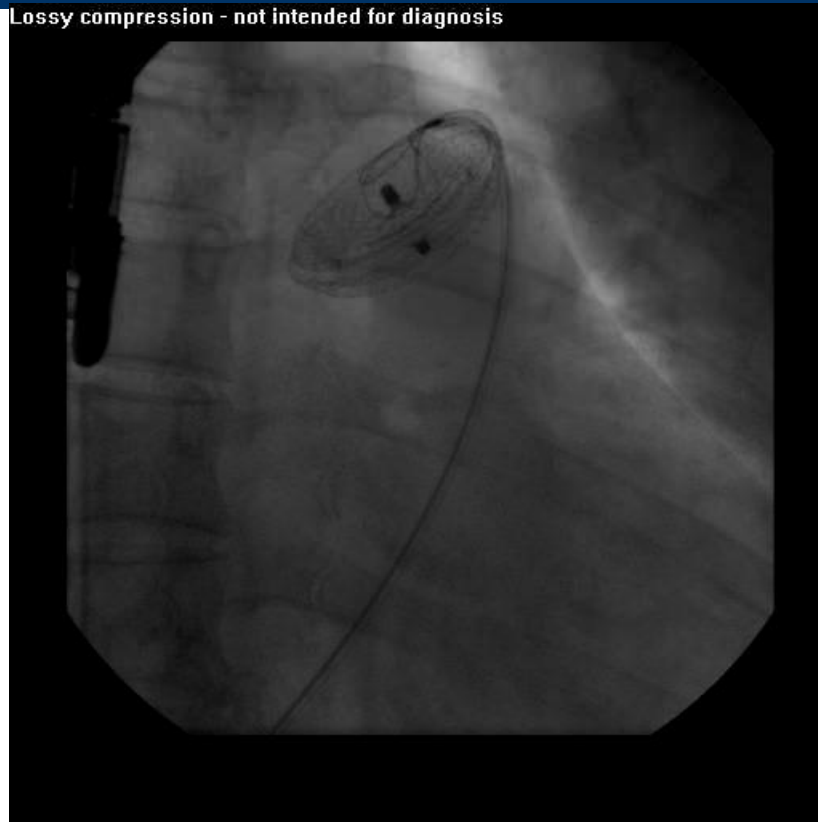
# Device embolized to PA

Lossy compression - not intended for diagnosis



# Snare the screw of the device

Lossy compression - not intended for diagnosis



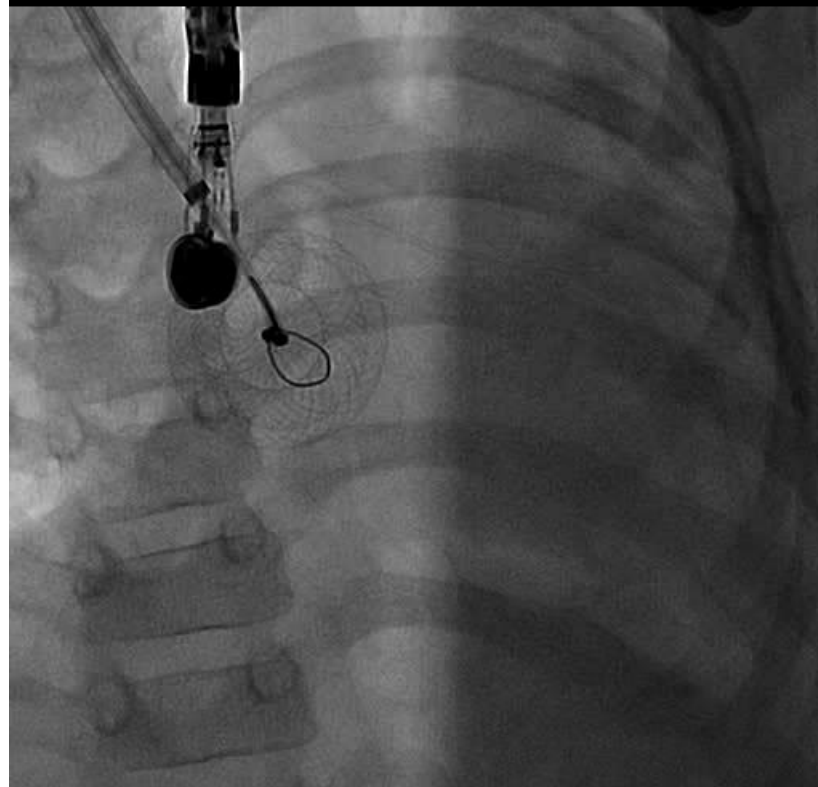
# Snare the device to IVC then using a bioptom

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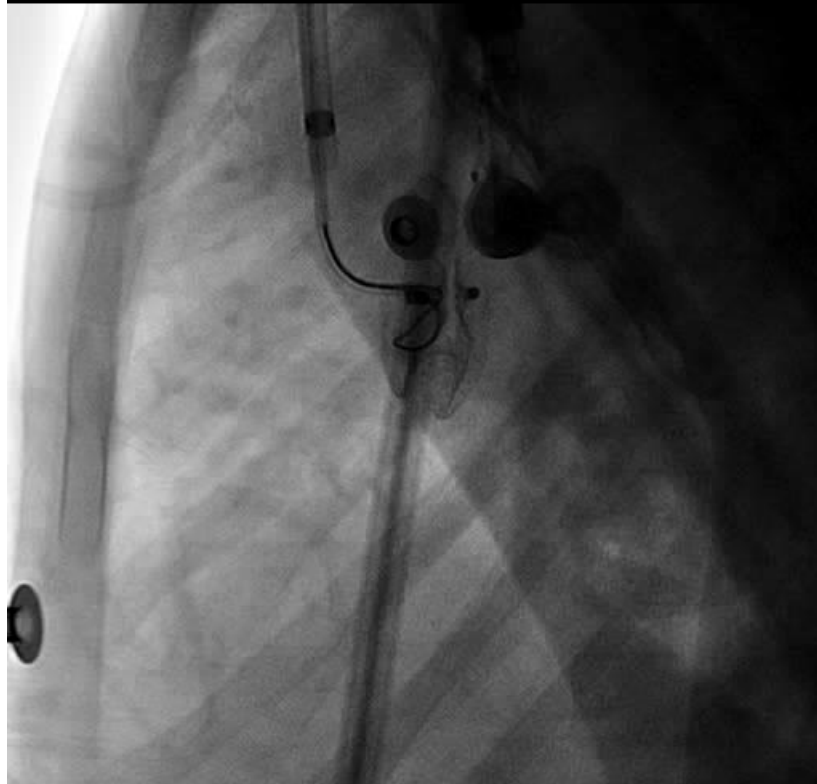
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# Operation after ASD occluder embolization

- The mortality rate of operation for device embolization was several times higher than those of elective surgical repair for ASD
- Retrieve the device to prevent complications

# Complications related to retrieval of devices

- Vascular injury
- Valve damages, leaflets, chordae etc
- Tear of cardiac wall
- arrhythmias

# conclusions

- Prevention is better than treatment.
- Good stocking of various snares & bioptomes
- Have surgeons stand by



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