Coronary artery bypass graft stenosis suspected to be due to

hemostatic agents: a case report. [Japanese]

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Abstract:

A 66-year-old man had a CABG with a saphenous vein graft. During the surgery, oxidized cellulose

and fibrin glue were used and left in place for hemostasis. Six months after the surgery, the first

postoperative CAG was performed and a stenosis of the coronary bypass graft near the proximal

anastomosis was found. The first PTCA was done and the stenosis was released. Re-stenosis was

observed at the same site one year after the first PTCA and a second one was performed. Five

years and nine months after the surgery, the patient started complaining of severe chest pain even

though he was receiving medication. Graft stenosis at the same site was observed by CAG. A cyst 3

cm in diameter, with irregular wall thickness was found near the proximal portion of the bypass graft.

Resection of the cyst and re-CABG was performed uneventfully. Microscopically, the cyst consisted

of fibroblasts, small vessels, collagen fiber and giant cells and was diagnosed as granuloma. In the

giant cells, oxidized cellulose fiber was observed. No comparable cases have been reported in the

literature. Topical hemostatic agents were discussed.