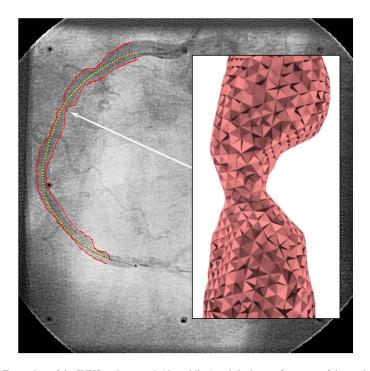


Figure 25. Interactive VRML visualization of the geometrically correct reconstructed vessel shown in Fig. 23.



**Figure 26.** Extraction of the IVUS catheter path (dotted line) and the lumen from one of the angiograms used for the fusion process; the inset shows the tetrahedral mesh of the lumen after 3-D fusion.

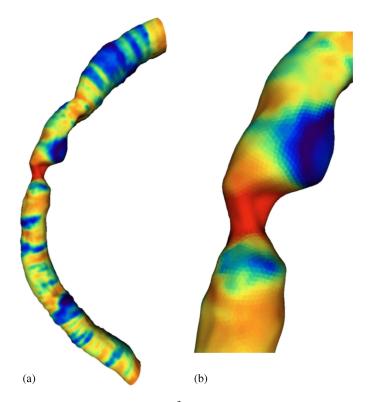
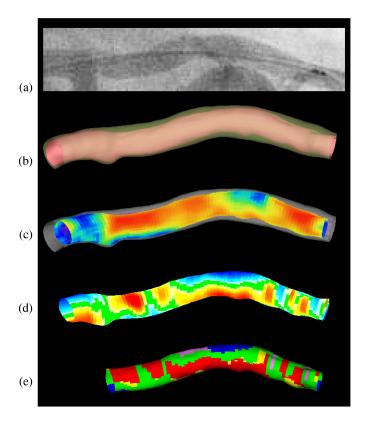


Figure 27. Result of the CFD simulation using the  $U^2$ RANS system: (a) color-coded visualization of the vessel shown in Fig. 26, where red color indicates high, and blue color low shear stress, (b) zooms into the stenotic region.



**Figure 28.** Morphology/geometry analysis: (a) part of the original angiogram; (b) 3-D model in the same view, note that the left circumflex branch has not been modeled; (c) plaque distribution; (d) local curvature; (e) classification results of the left anterior descending branch distal of the bifurcation.