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# Recent Advances in Cardiac Imaging

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# Lecture Outline

## Selected latest advances in:

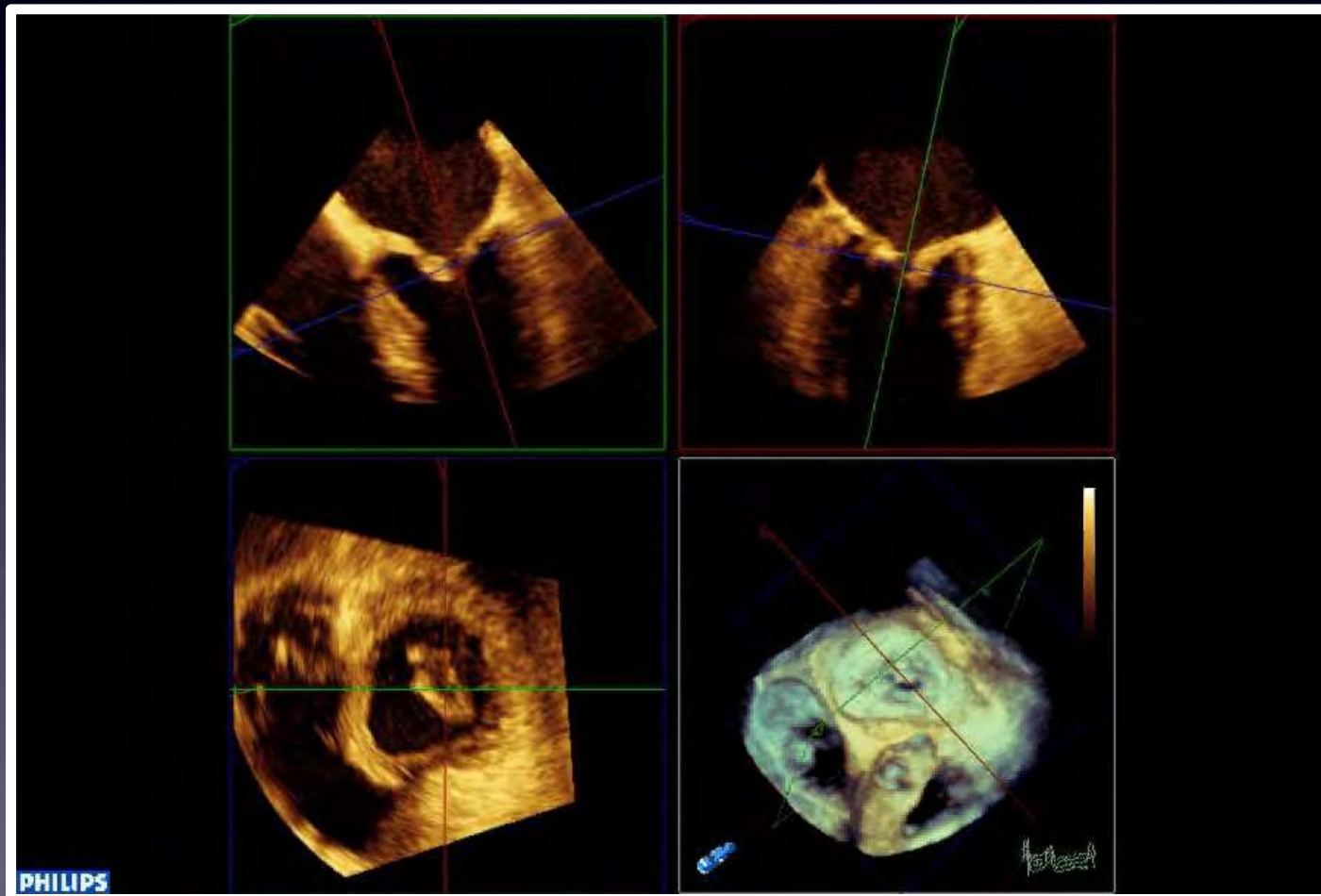
- Echocardiography
- Interventional Imaging
- Cardiac CT
- Cardiac MR



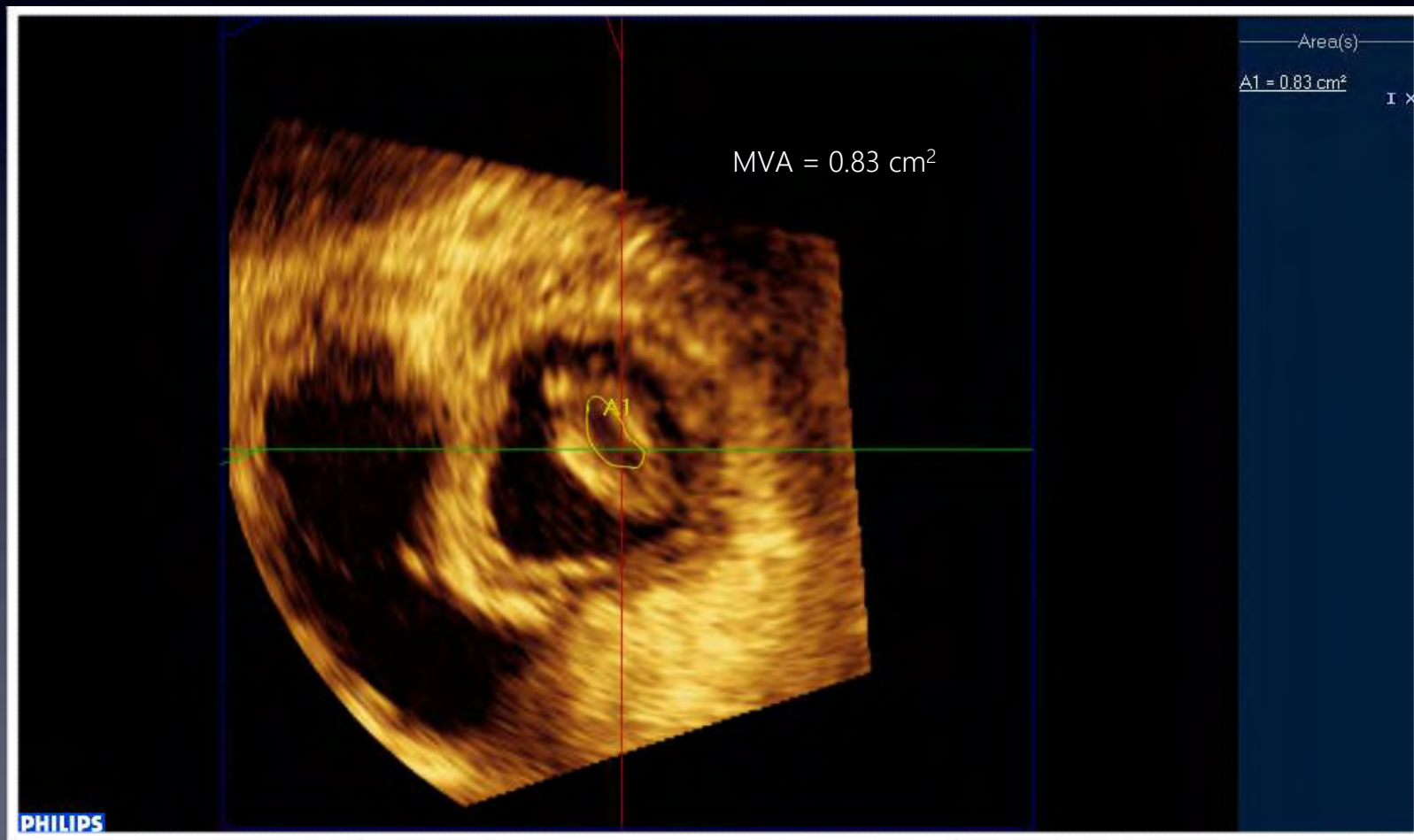
# 3D "Surgeon View" of Mitral Orifice from LA Perspective



# Multiplanar Reconstruction (MPR) for MVA Planimetry Measurement

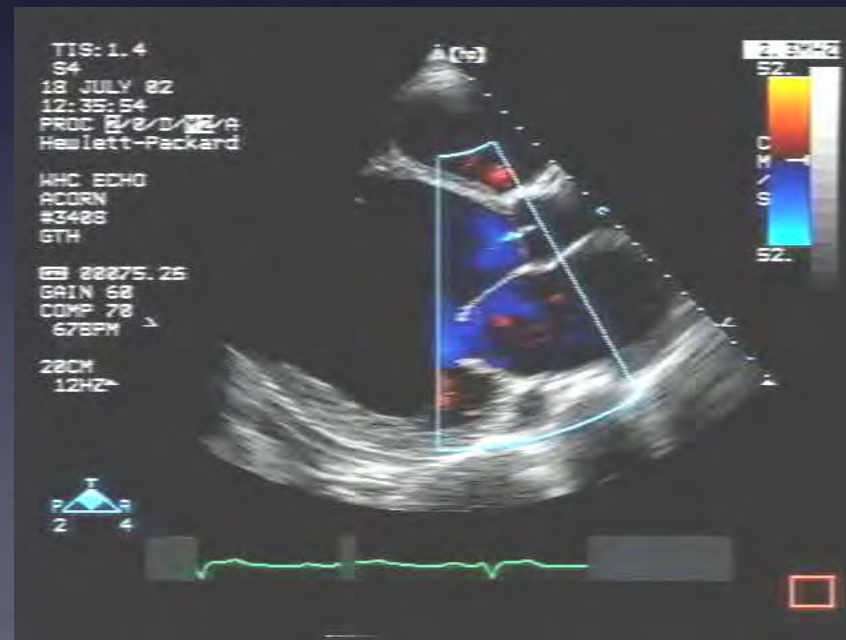


# Severe Mitral Stenosis by 3D Planimetry



# Functional MR complicates 20% of systolic heart failure

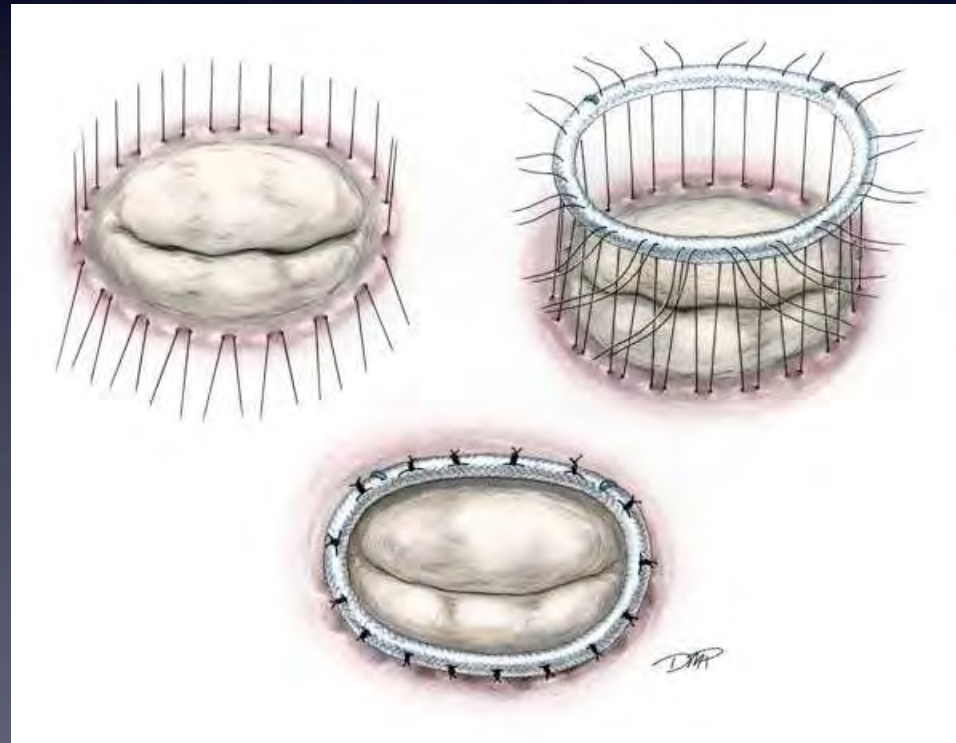
- MR secondary to left ventricular dysfunction
- Mitral valve structurally intact



# Surgical Treatment of severe FMR

## Conventional Belief

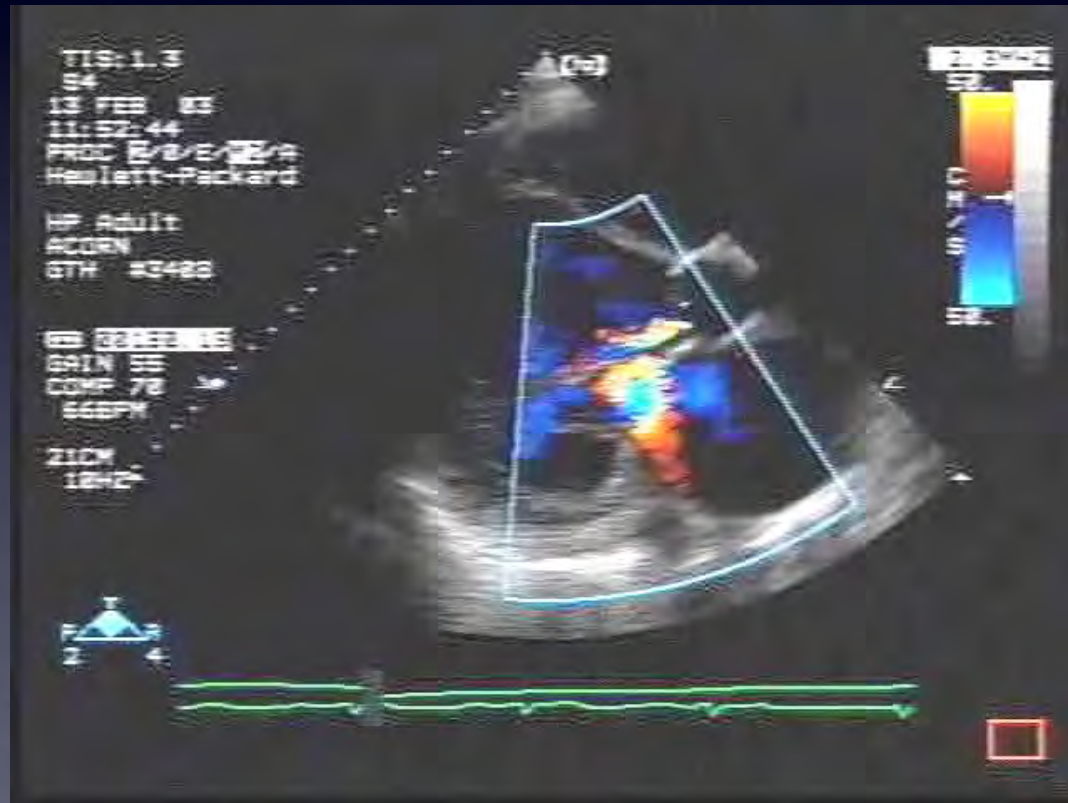
Mechanism of FMR = Mitral Annular Dilatation  
Surgical correction = Ring Annuloplasty





# Problem with The Ring...

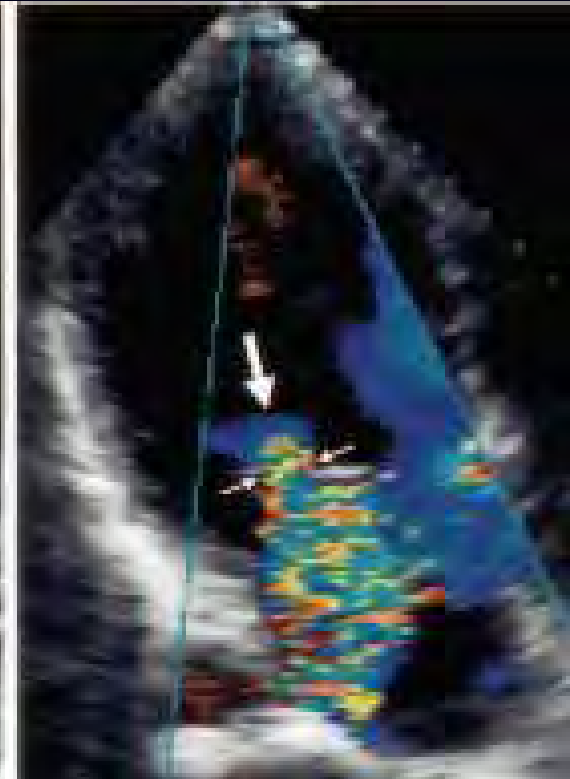
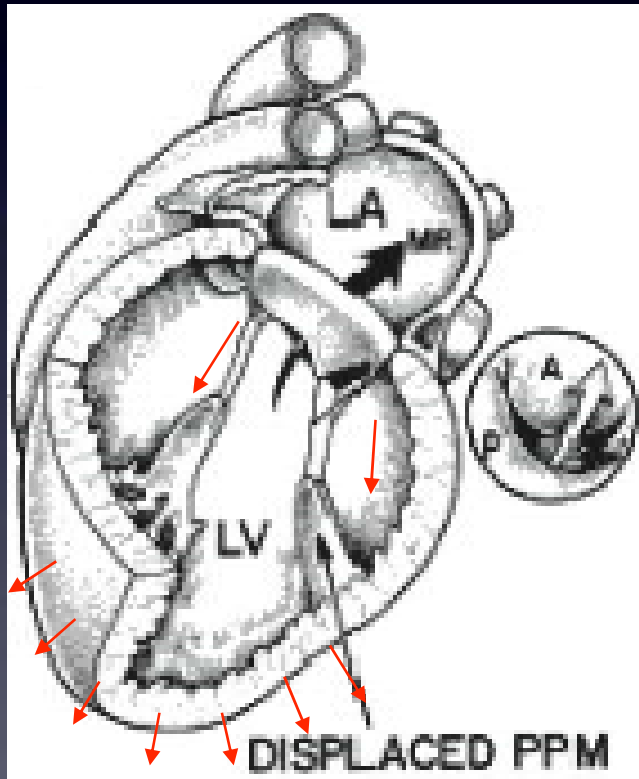
**MR persists in 30%!**

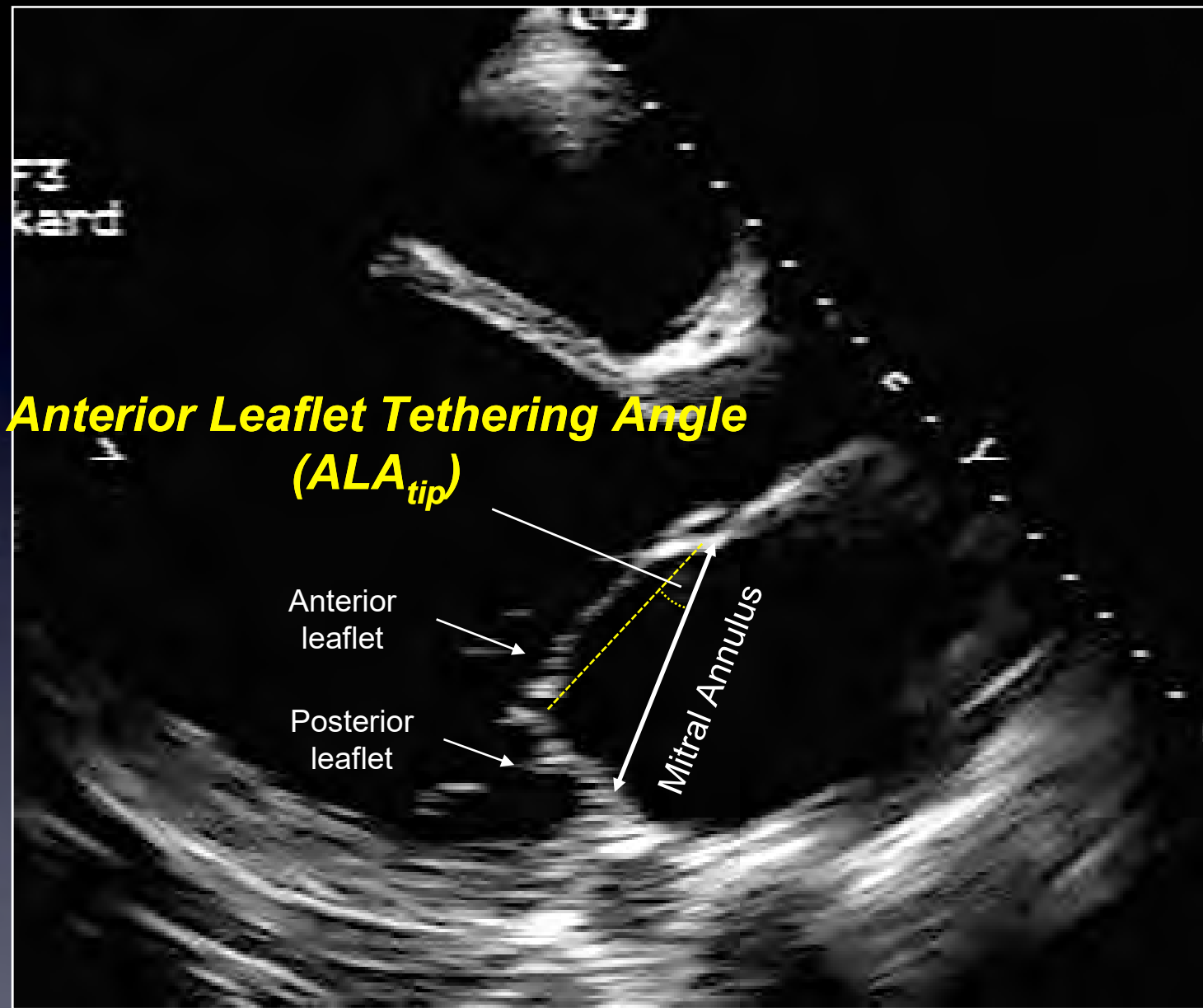


## Hypothesis:

Annular dilatation is *not* the only mechanism of FMR.

The Importance of **Mitral Leaflet Tethering**



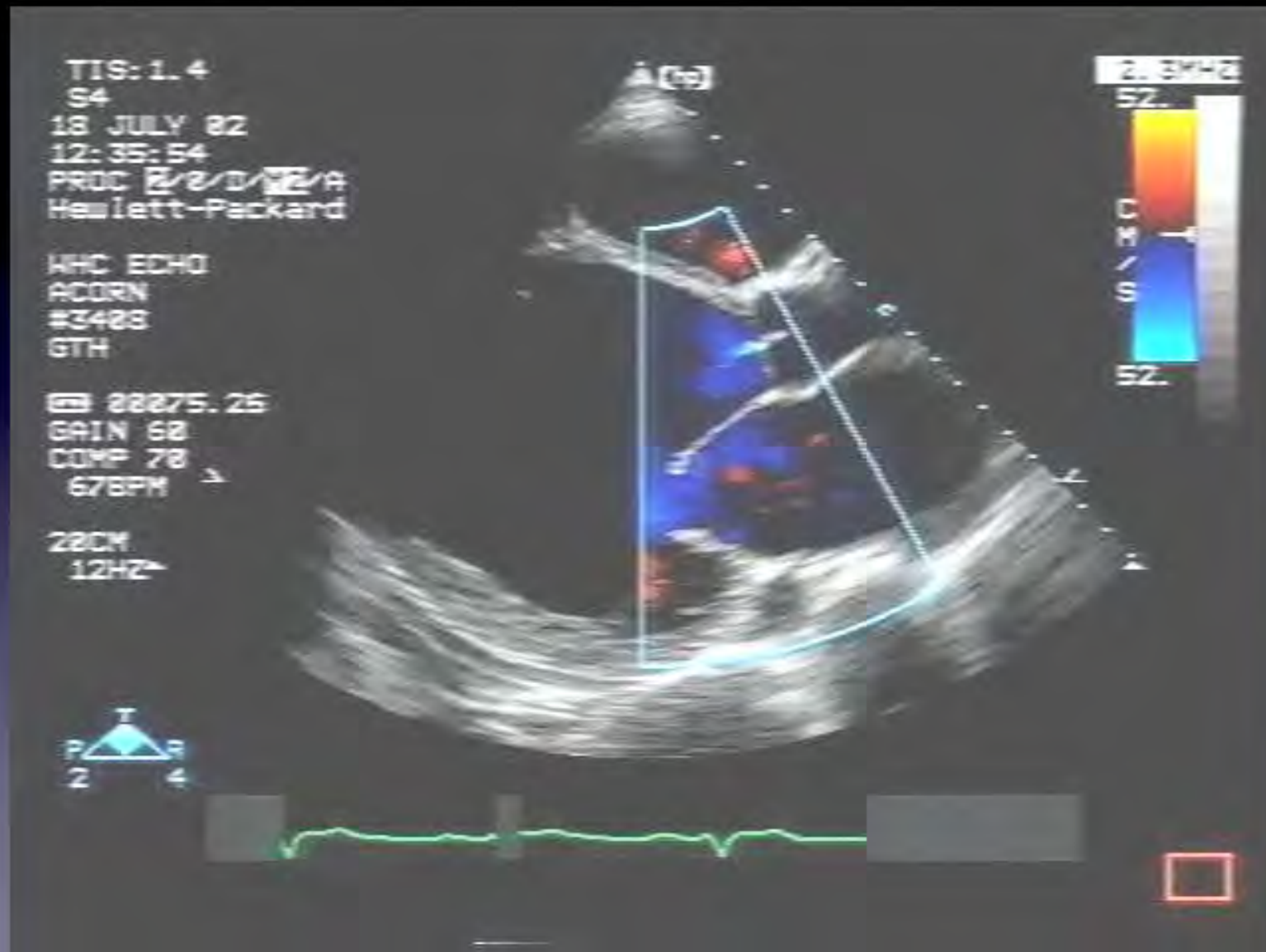


**Anterior Leaflet Tethering Angle  
( $ALA_{tip}$ )**

Anterior  
leaflet

Posterior  
leaflet

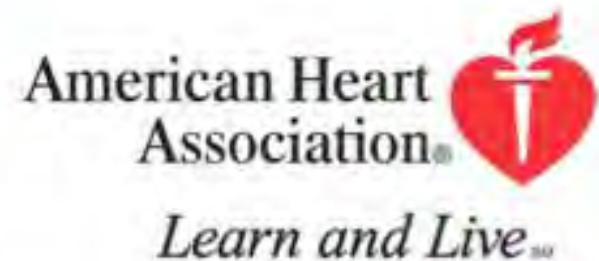
Mitral Annulus



**Before ring implantation**

# Circulation

JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION



**Mechanisms of Recurrent Functional Mitral Regurgitation After Mitral Valve Repair in Nonischemic Dilated Cardiomyopathy. Importance of Distal Anterior Leaflet Tethering**

Alex Pui-Wai Lee, Michael Acker, Spencer H. Kubo, Steven F. Bolling, Seung W. Park, Charles J. Bruce and Jae K. Oh

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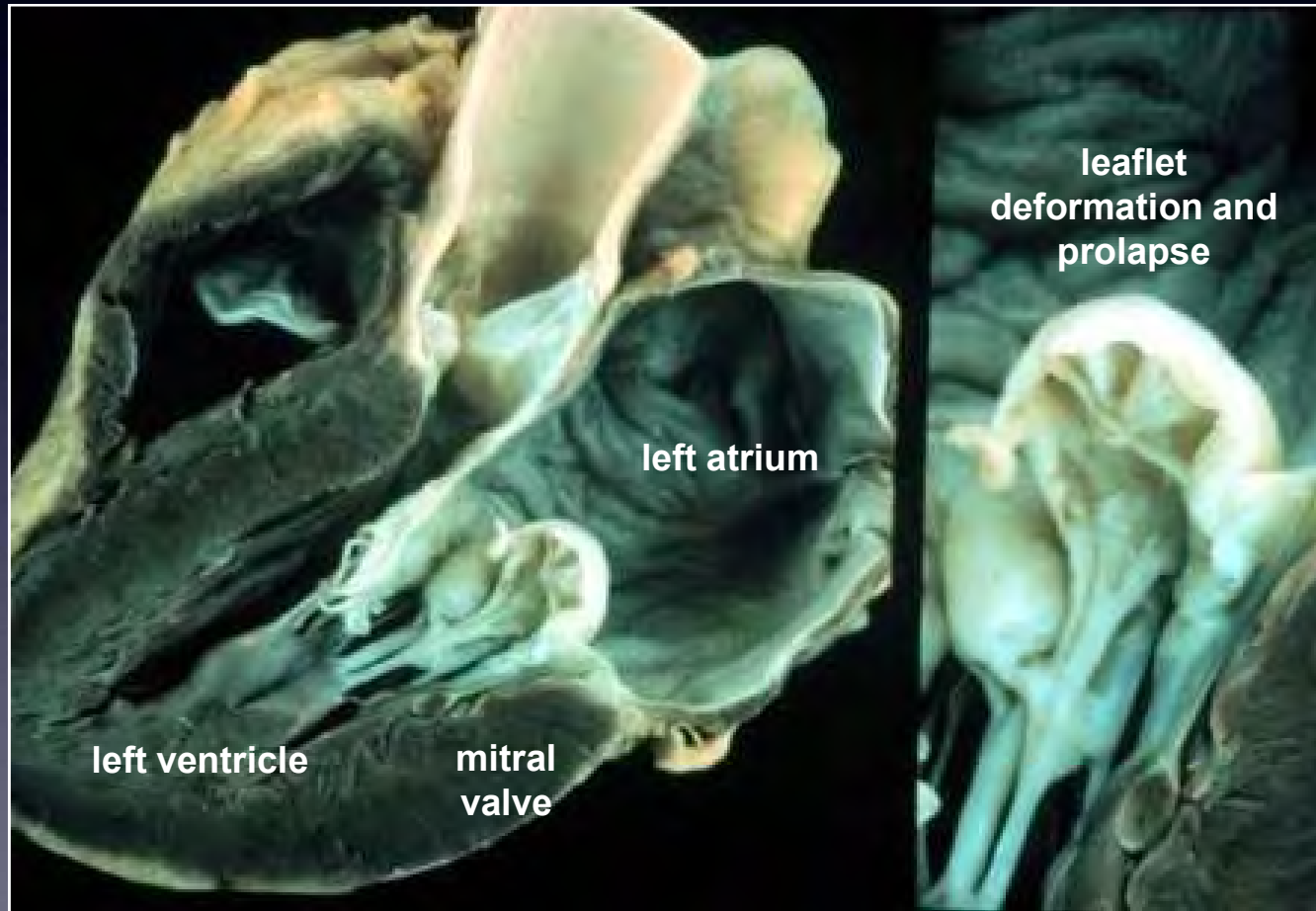
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Young Investigator Award - European Society of Cardiology EuroEcho Meeting 2008  
Best Young Investigator - Hong Kong College of Physicians Distinguished Paper Award 2009

# Mitral Valve Prolapse

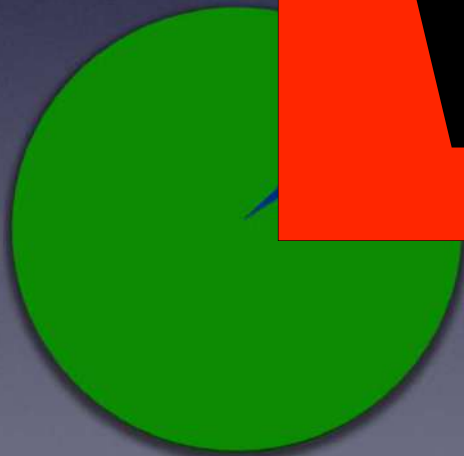


Moderate or severe  
mitral regurgitation

# WHO?

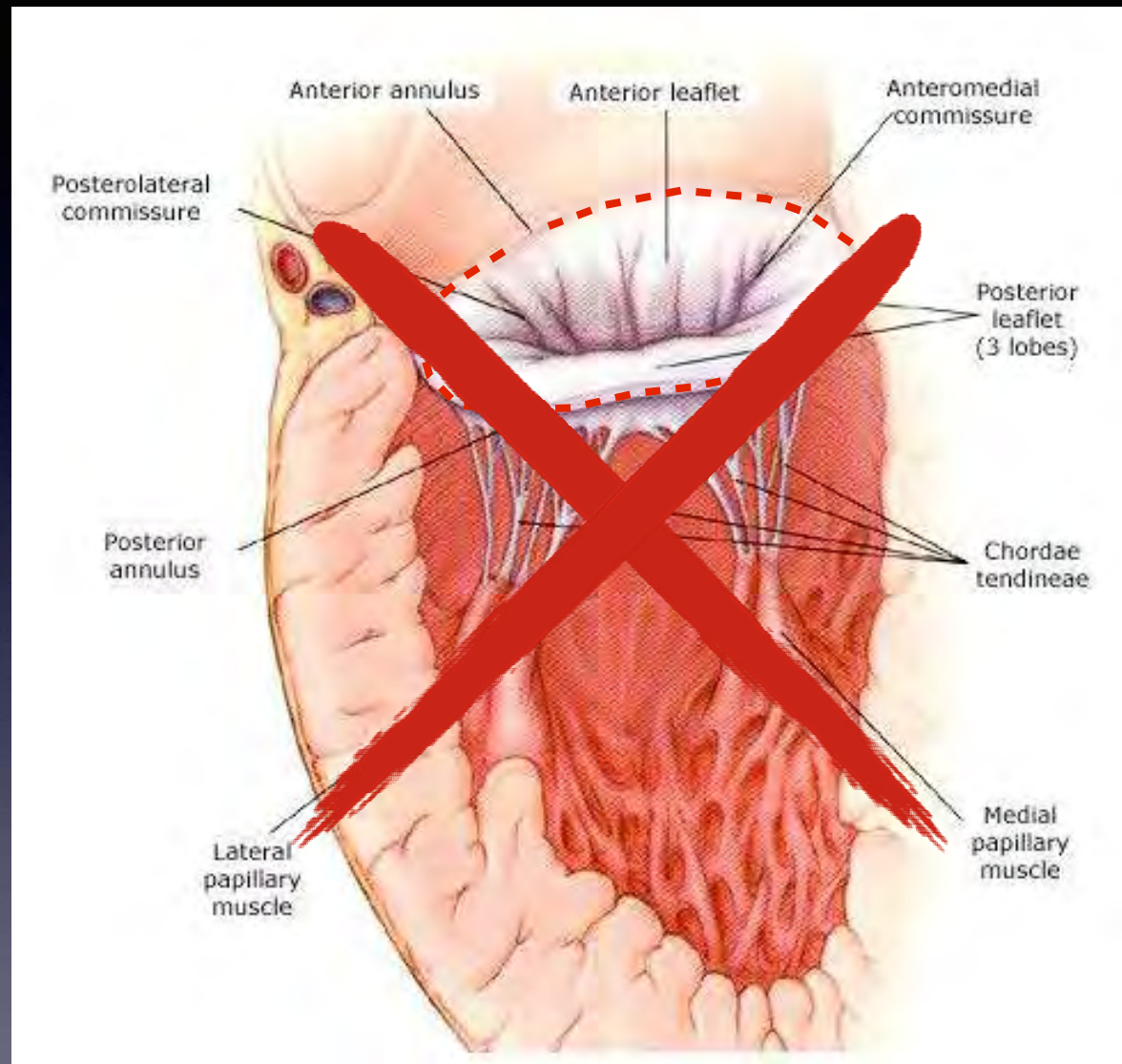
# Why?

die within 10 years

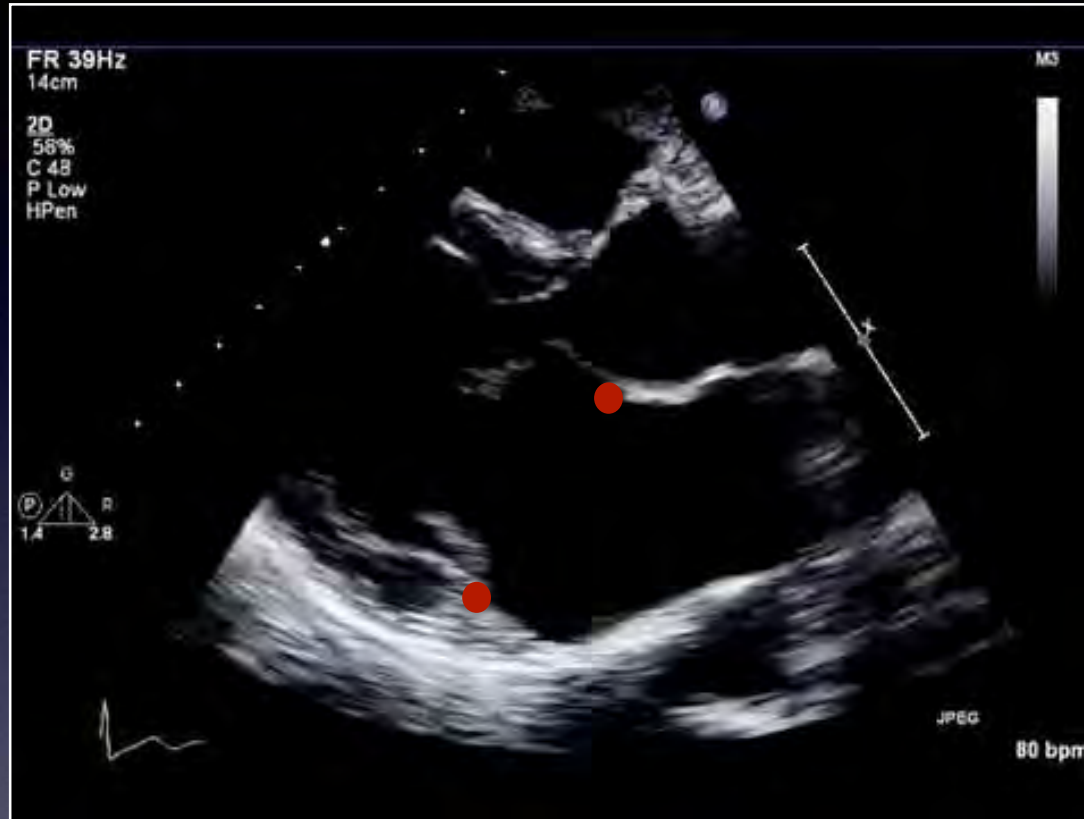


General population

*Framingham heart study JACC 2002  
N Engl J Med. 1996*



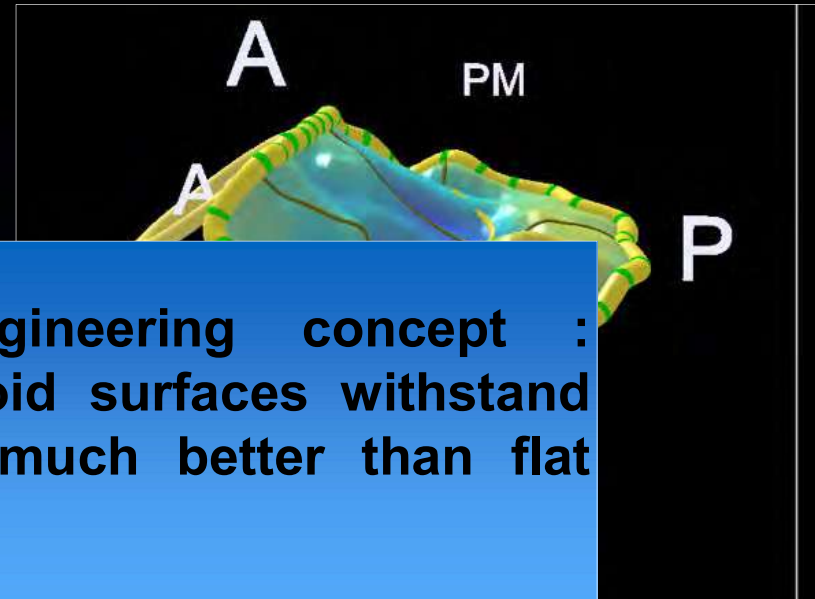
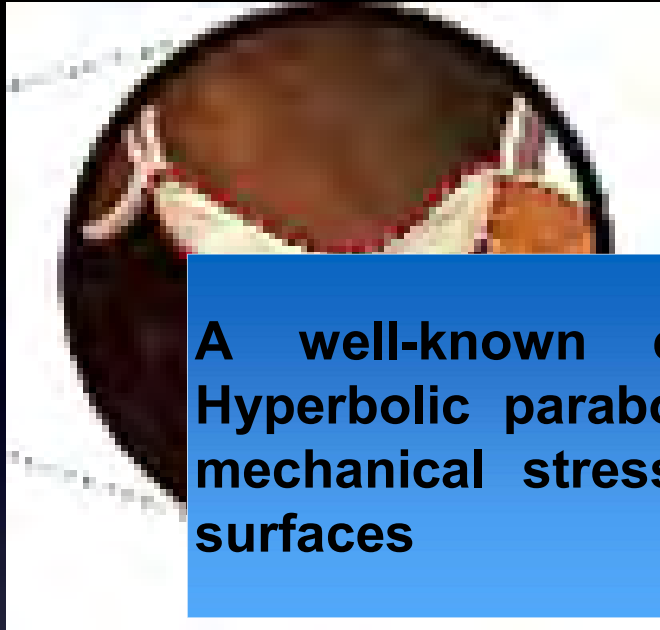




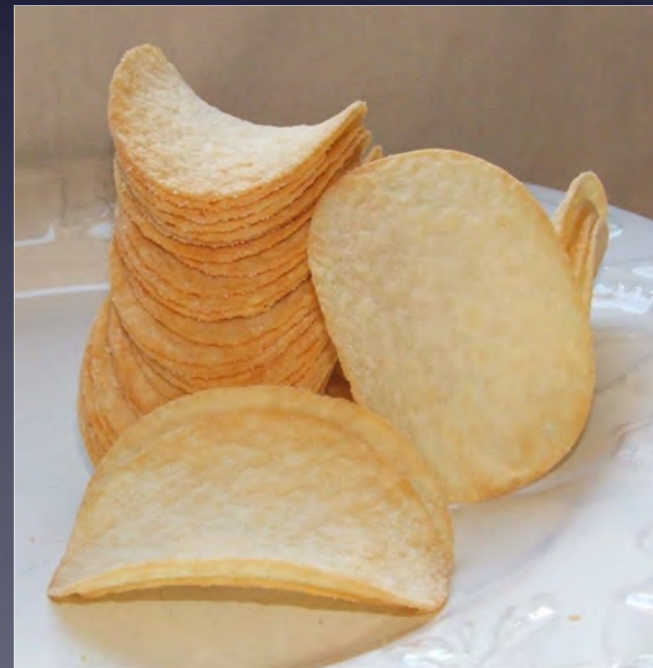
Traditional 2D echo can only see 2 points of the annulus on one plane

# Real-time 3-dimensional Echocardiography of the Mitral Valve





**A well-known engineering concept :  
Hyperbolic paraboloid surfaces withstand  
mechanical stress much better than flat  
surfaces**

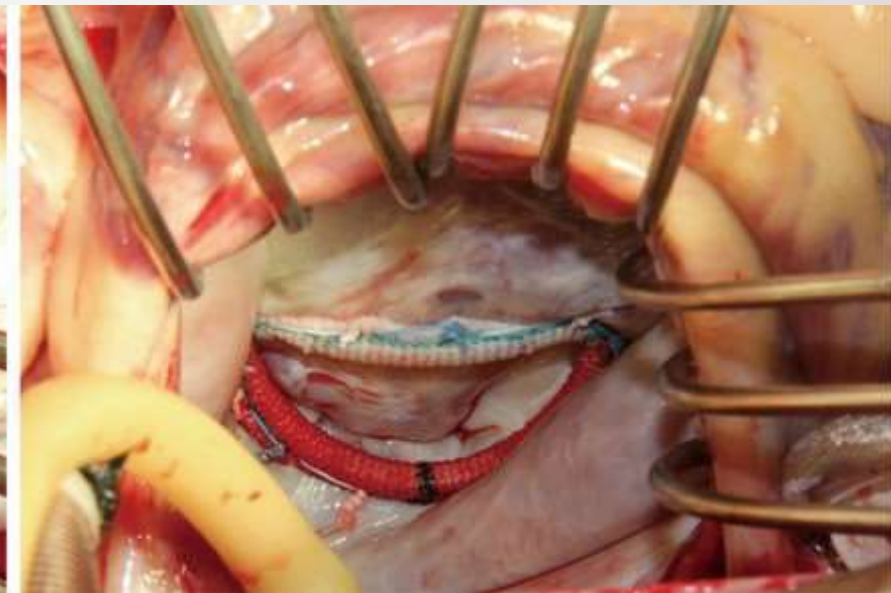
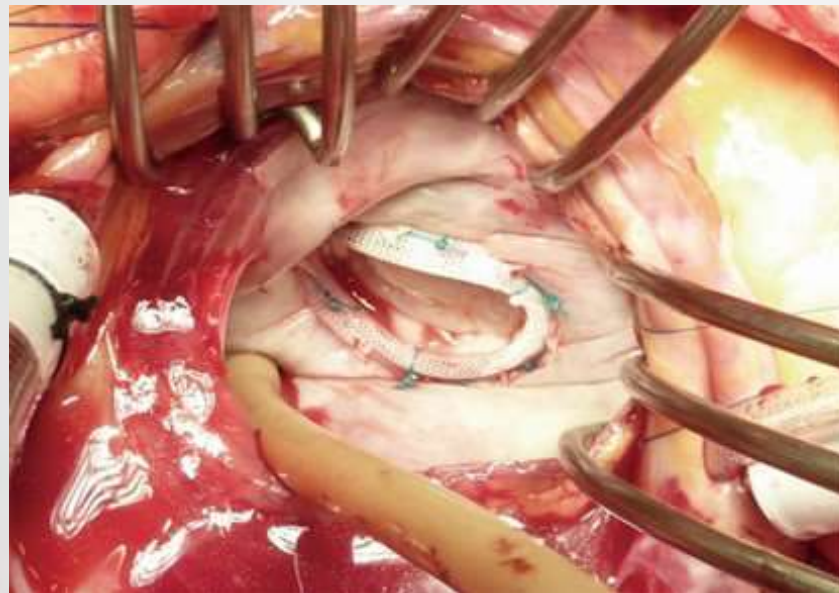




Lee, A. P., et al. (2013). "Quantitative analysis of mitral valve morphology in mitral valve prolapse with real-time 3-dimensional echocardiography: importance of annular saddle shape"



A saddle-shaped annuloplasty ring



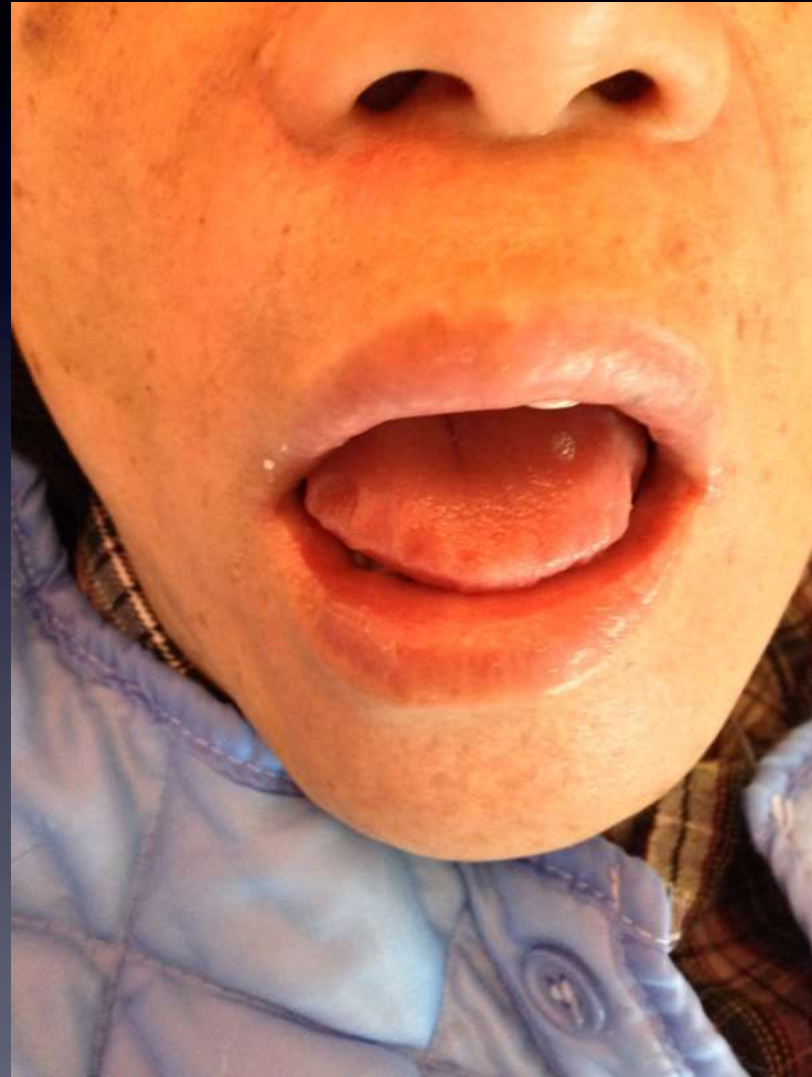
## Quantitative Analysis of Mitral Valve Morphology in Mitral Valve Prolapse With Real-Time 3-Dimensional Echocardiography : Importance of Annular Saddle Shape in the Pathogenesis of Mitral Regurgitation

Alex Pui-Wai Lee, Ming C. Hsiung, Ivan S. Salgo, Fang Fang, Jun-Min Xie, Yan-Chao Zhang, Qing-Shan Lin, Jen-Li Looi, Song Wan, Randolph H.L. Wong, Malcolm J. Underwood, Jing-Ping Sun, Wei-Hsian Yin, Jeng Wei, Shen-Kou Tsai and Cheuk-Man Yu

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Case 4:  
F/59  
symptomatic AF  
recurrent syncope  
underwent AF ablation  
recurrent syncope after ablation



Adult Echo  
X5-1  
24Hz  
12cm

3D Beats 4Q

TIS0.5 MI 1.0

Full Volume  
2D / 3D  
% 75 / 52  
C 49 / 41  
HGen

M3



Delay 0ms

105 bpm



Adult Echo  
X5-1  
22Hz  
15cm

3D Beats 6Q

TIS0.5 MI 1.1

Full Volume  
2D / 3D  
% 76 / 52  
C 49 / 41  
HGen

M3



Delay 0ms

105 bpm

# Outside Prince of Wales Hospital

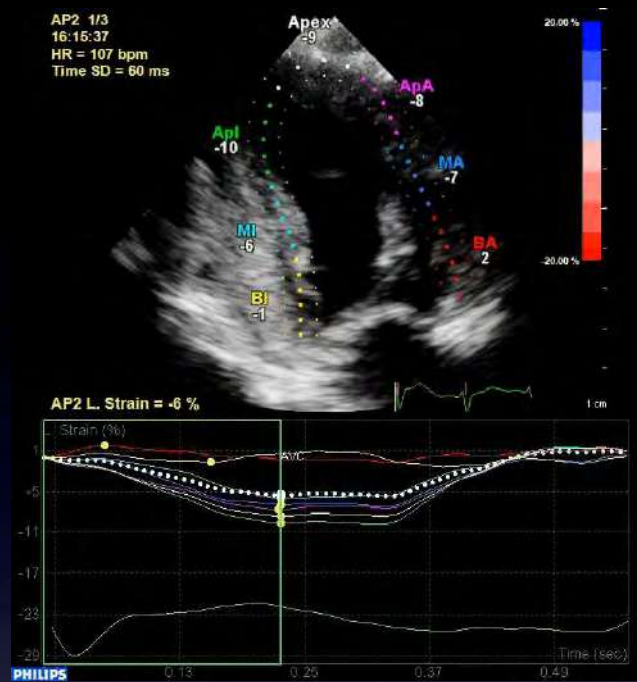
- Echo report: severe concentric LVH
- AF ablation was offered and performed
- Recurrent syncope
- Holter: ventricular flutter, AF

# What would you do?

1. Repeat AF ablation
2. Antiarrhythmic drugs
3. Bone marrow biopsy

# Bone Marrow Biopsy at PWH

- Plasma cell dyscrasia
- Urine analysis: Bence-Jones protein
- Dx: **AL amyloidosis**
- Diuretics
- Standard chemotherapy
- Bortezomib injection
- Anticoagulation
- May be too late for bone marrow/heart transplant.....

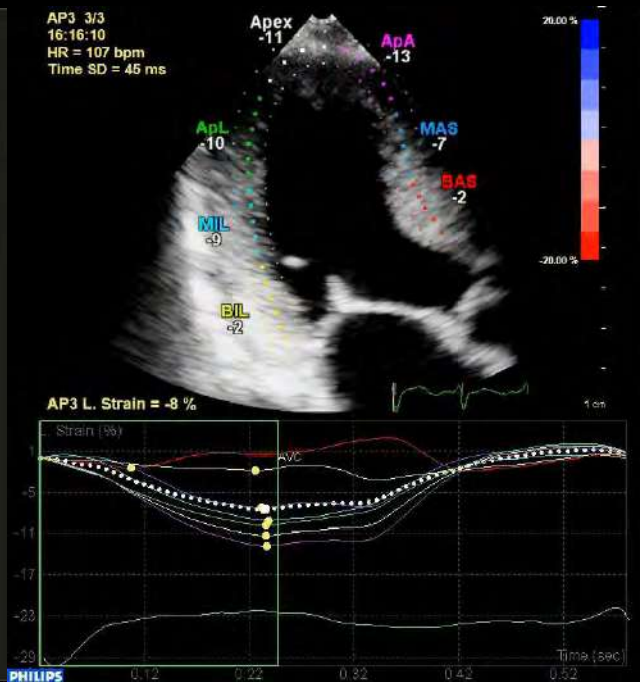


Measurements

EDV	37.7 ml
ESV	18.8 ml
EF	50.2 %

Cardiac Cycles

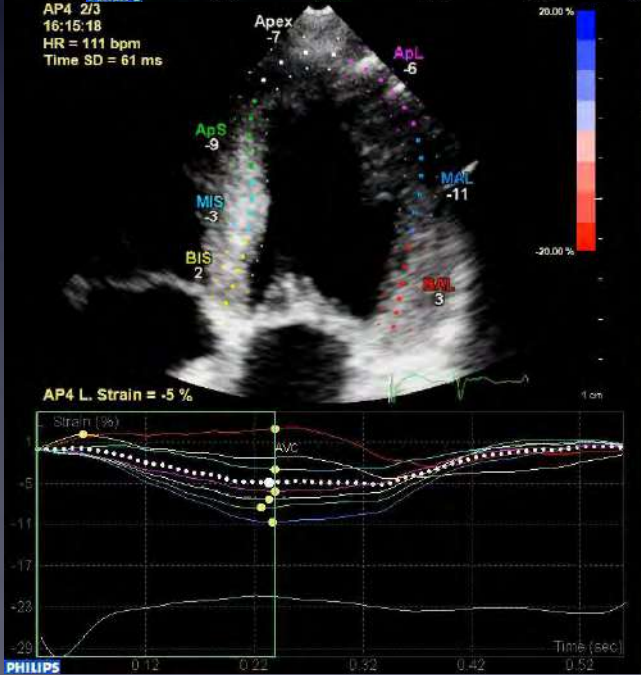
R-AVC	220 ms
AV R-R	540 ms
MV R-R	540 ms



Cardiac Cycles

R-AVC	220 ms
AV R-R	540 ms
MV R-R	540 ms

# Speckle strain analysis *aCMQ*



Measurements

EDV	53.4 ml
ESV	30.1 ml
EF	43.7 %

Cardiac Cycles

R-AVC	220 ms
AV R-R	540 ms
MV R-R	540 ms

# Speckle strain analysis

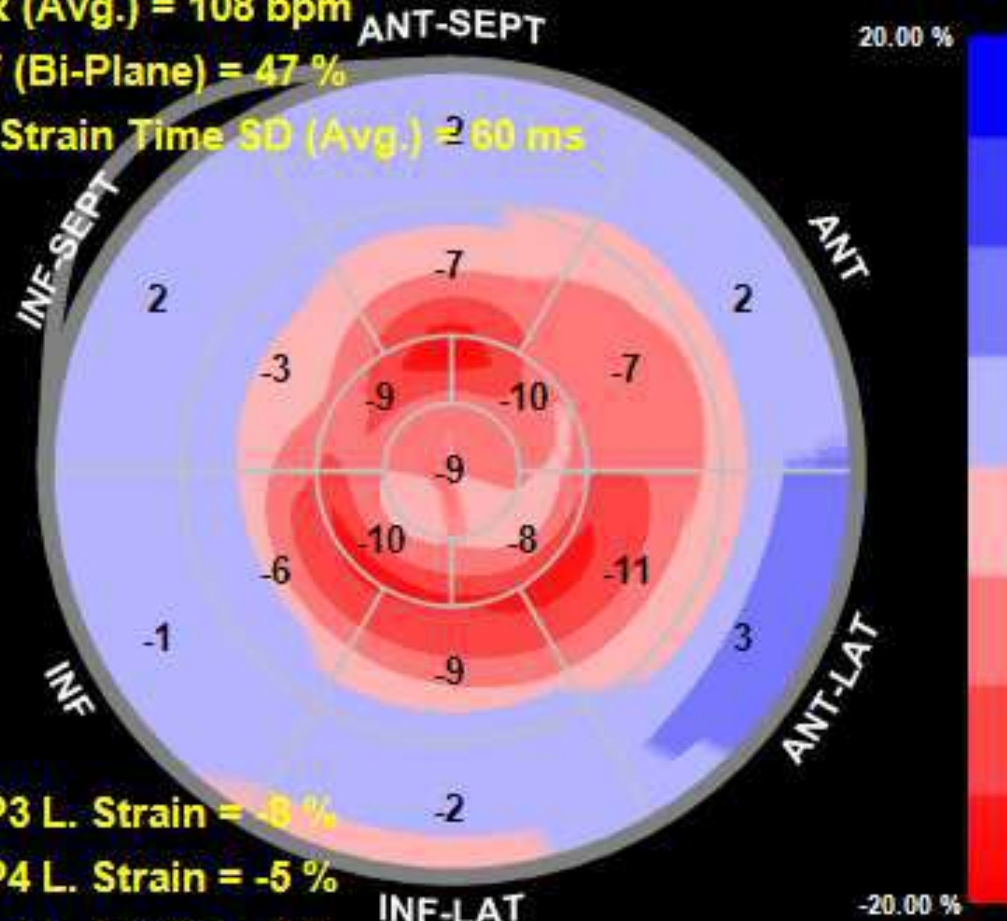
*Bull's eye: relative apical sparing*

Peak Systolic Strain

HR (Avg.) = 108 bpm

EF (Bi-Plane) = 47 %

L. Strain Time SD (Avg.) = 60 ms



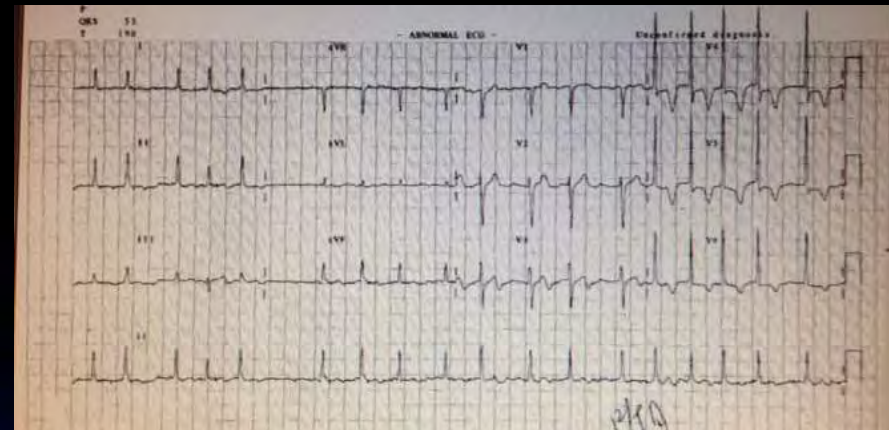
AP3 L. Strain = -8 %

AP4 L. Strain = -5 %

AP2 L. Strain = -6 %

Global L. Strain = -6 %

Case 6-2  
M/67  
New onset AF  
Hypertension  
No history of stroke/DM/CHF



# What is your anticoagulation option?

1. Nothing
2. Aspirin or warfarin
3. Warfarin
4. New oral anticoagulant

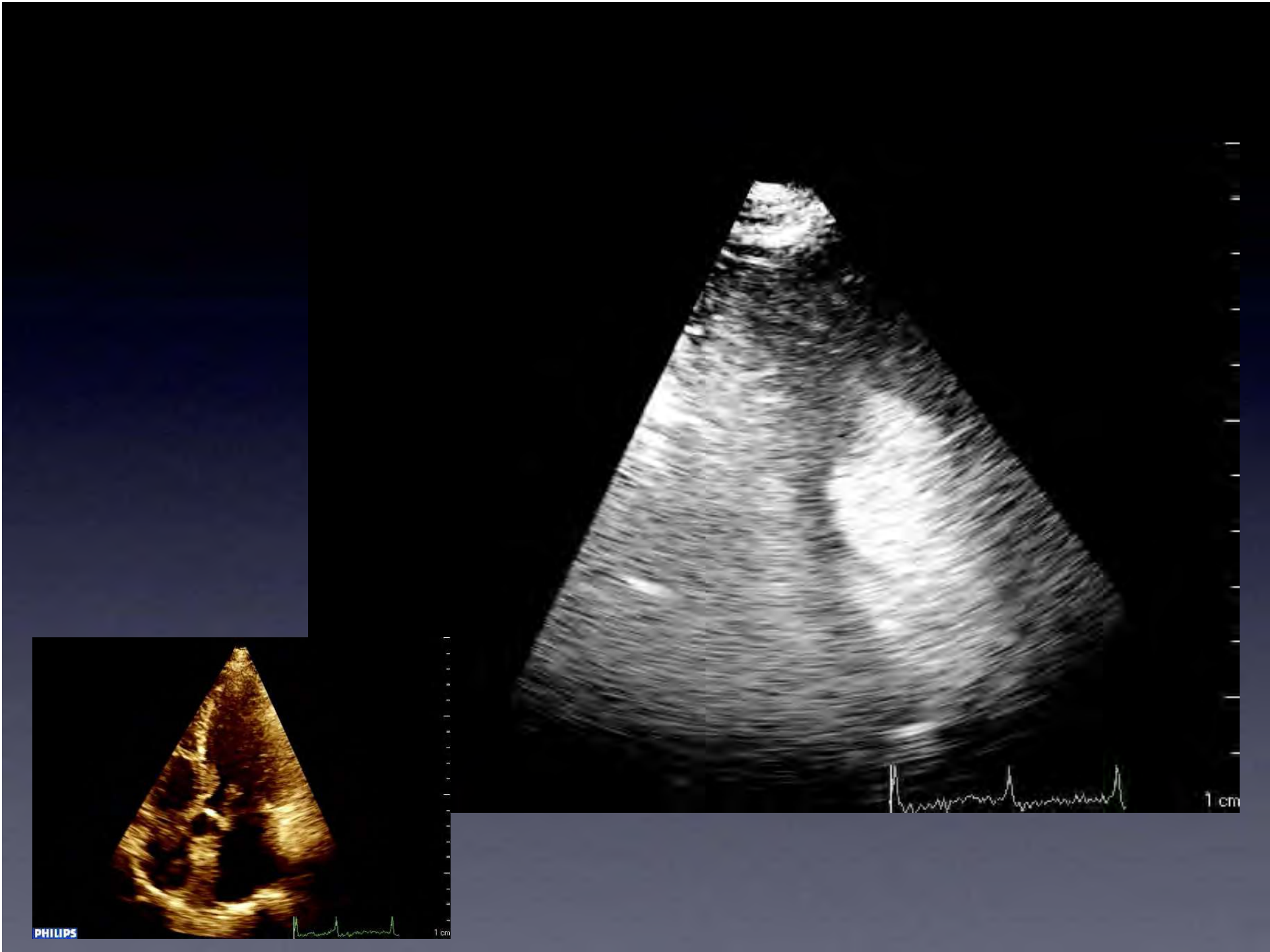


# Initial Management

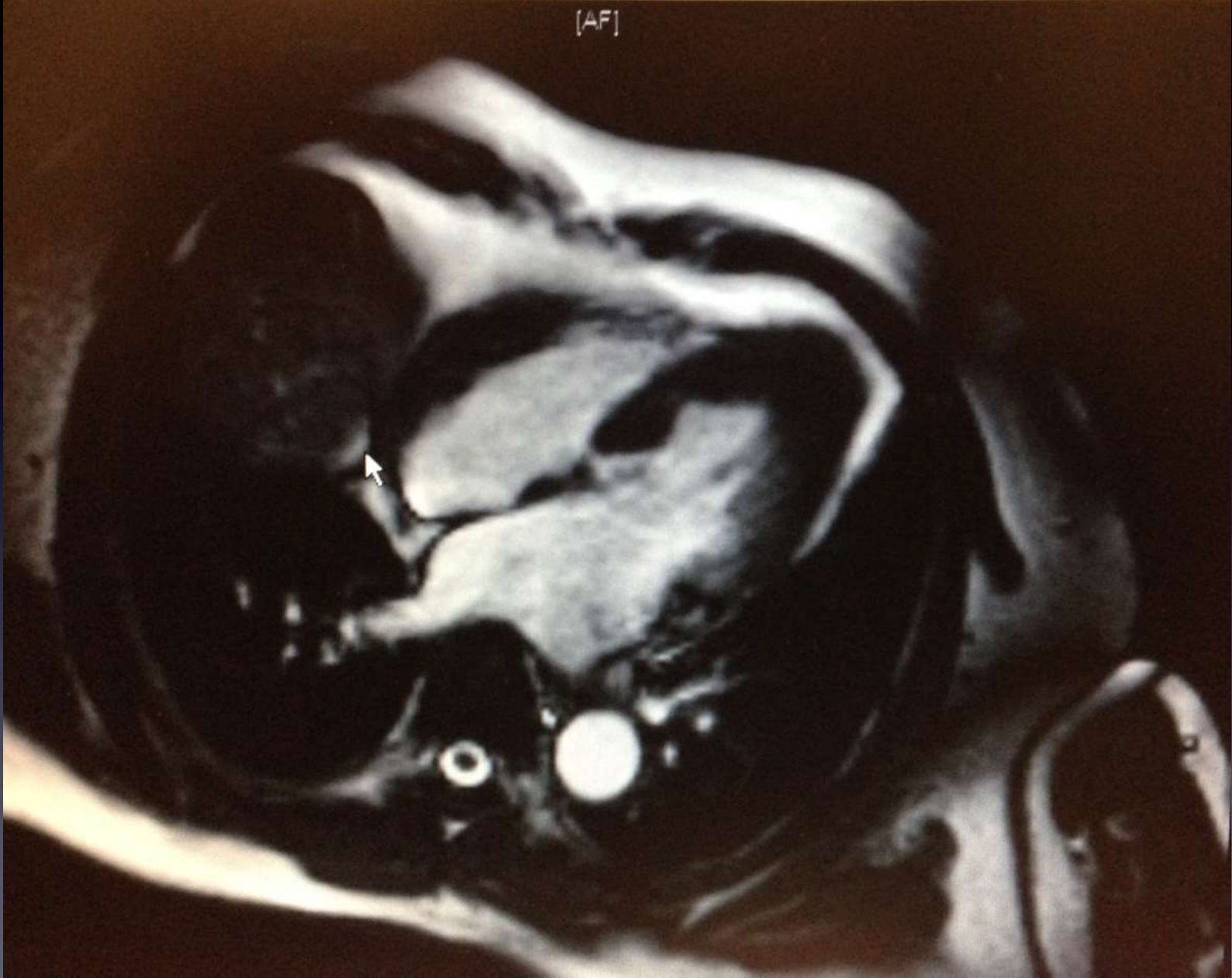
- Offered aspirin or warfarin
- Patient opt for aspirin
- Patient could not afford NOAC and did not want to take warfarin
- Betaloc for AF rate control

# In the subsequent 6 months

- 2 strokes with fair recovery
- Ischemic bowel with resection



[AF]



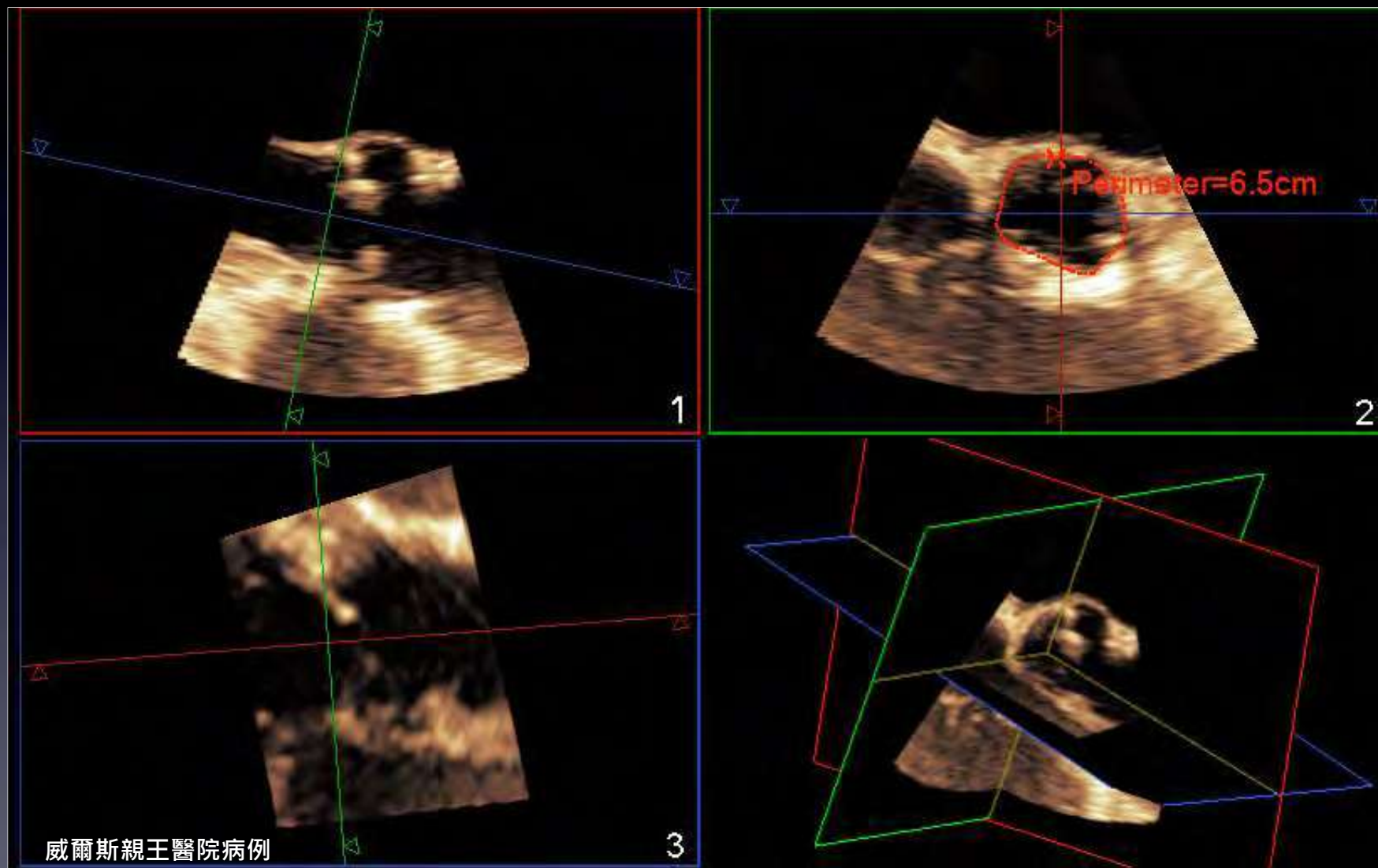
# Interventional echocardiography 介入性治療心脏超声

- 经导管主动脉瓣置换术 (TAVI)
- 经导管左心耳封堵术 (LAAO)
- 经导管二尖瓣修复 (MitraClip)
- 经导管心房缺损ASD闭塞术
- 经导管心室缺损VSD闭塞术
- 经导管瓣周漏封堵

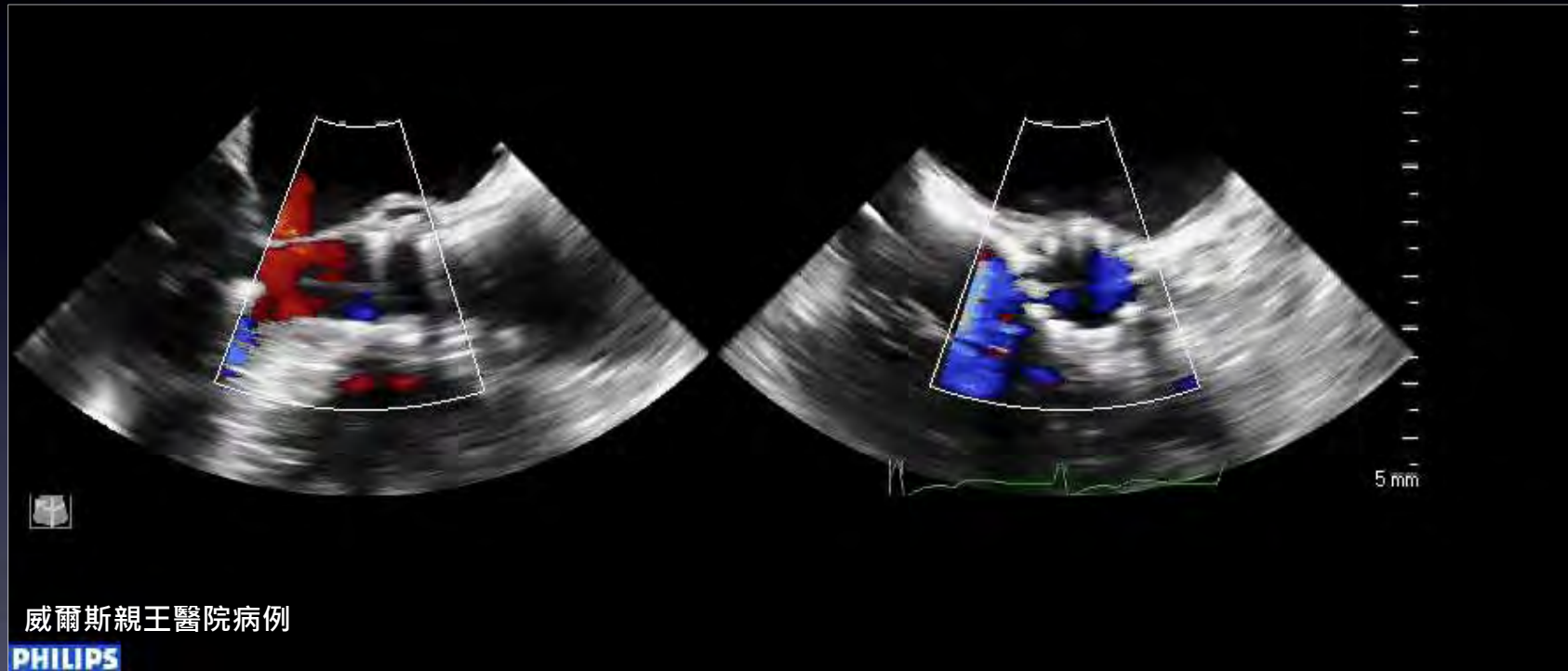
# 经导管主动脉瓣置换术 (TAVI)



# 3D TEE 決定人工主動脈瓣的大小



# 評估TAVR的成功 位置適中 沒有返流

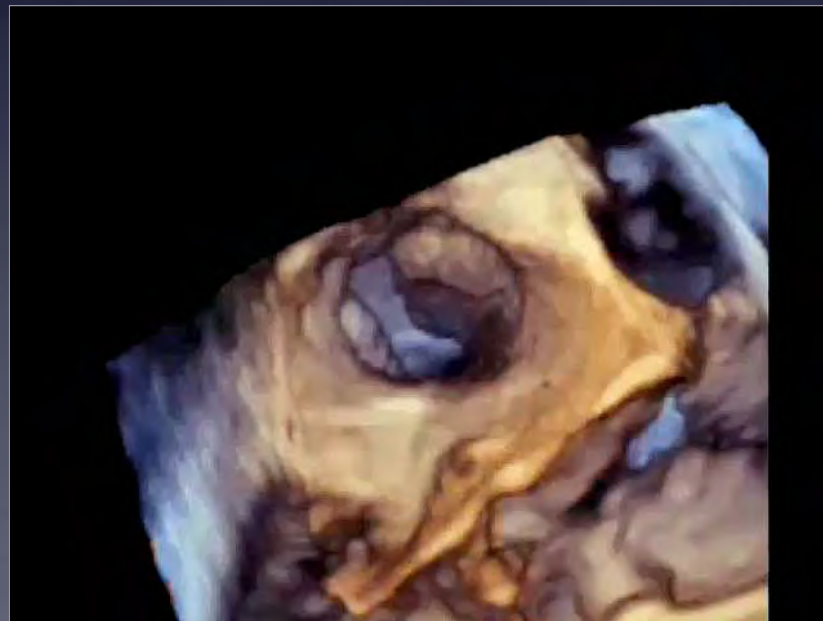
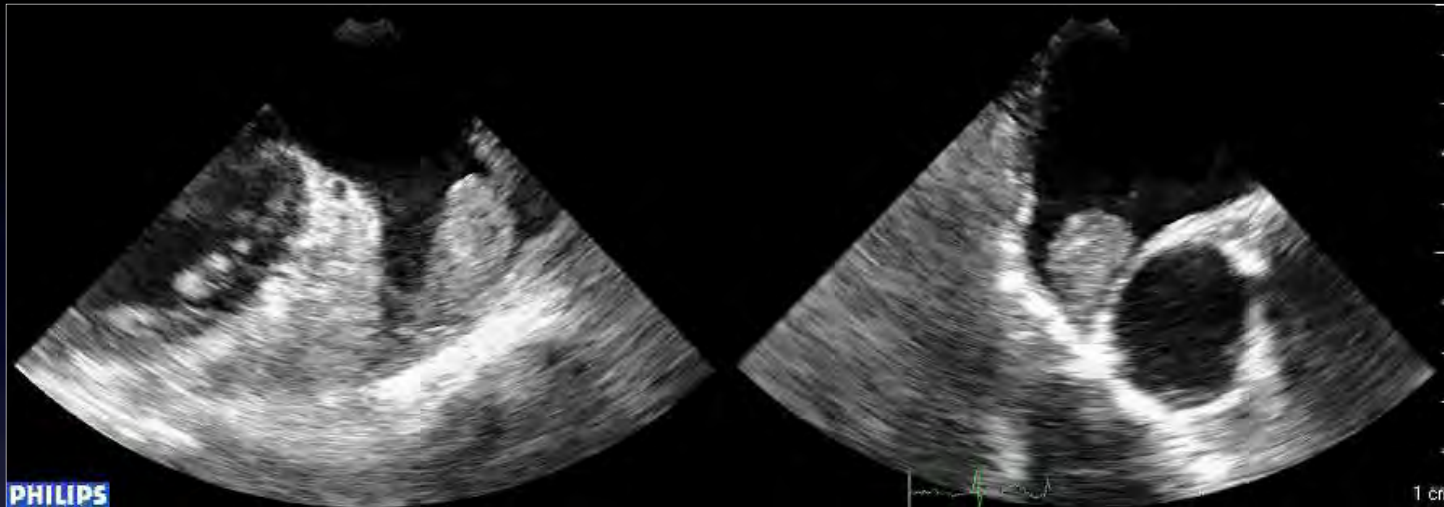




# 经导管左心耳闭塞 (LAAO)



# LAA thrombus



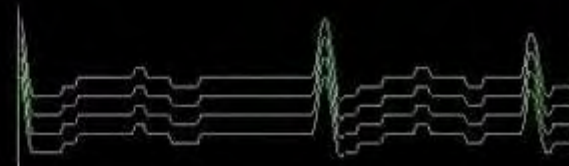
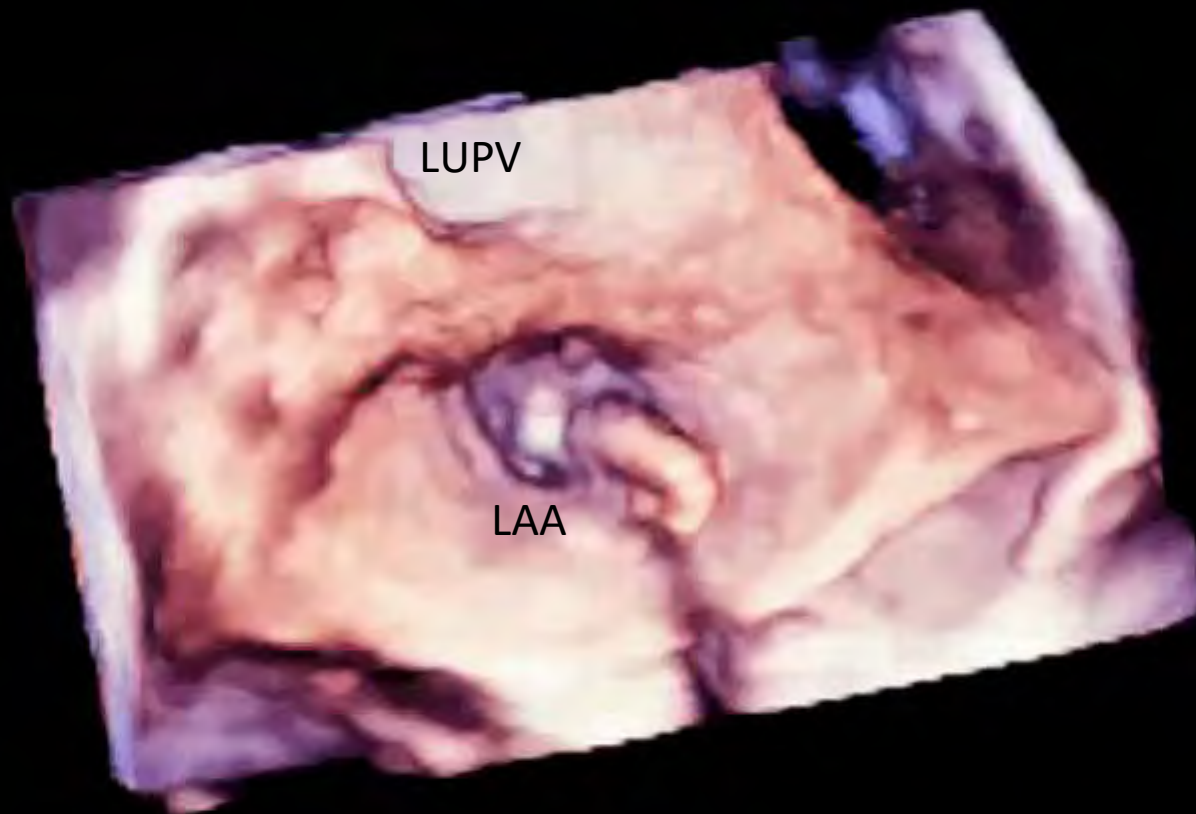
90°



45°



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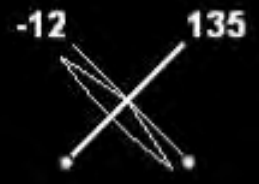


Catheter in anterior lobe



Catheter in posterior lobe

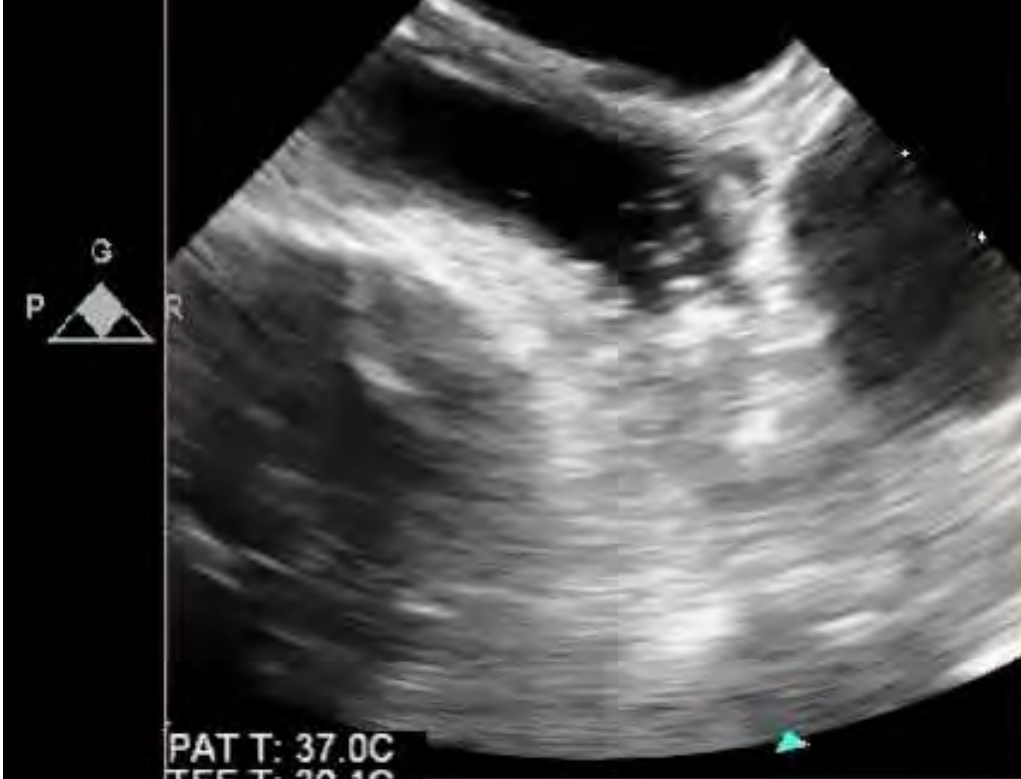




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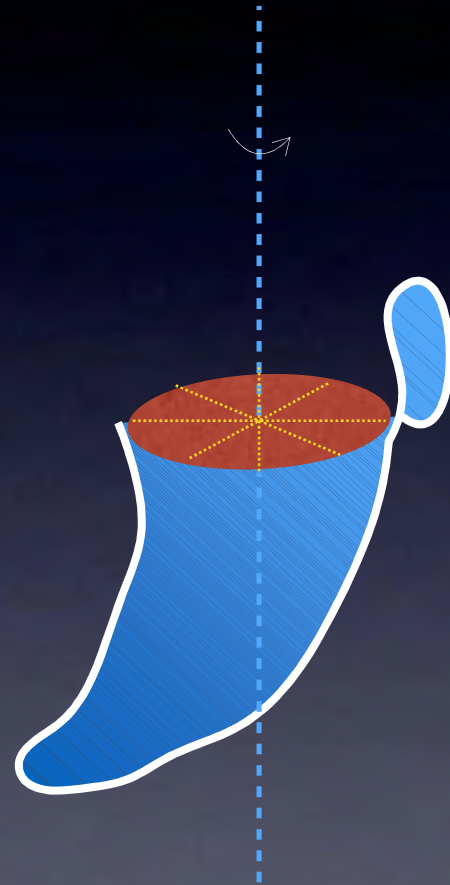
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W: 66  
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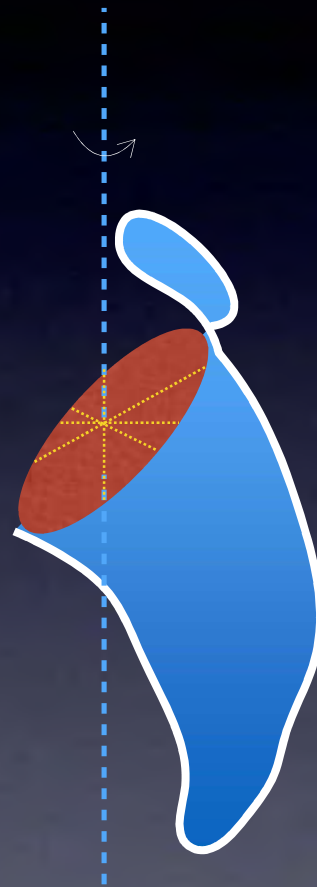
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TEE T: 39.1C

93 bpm

TEE axis

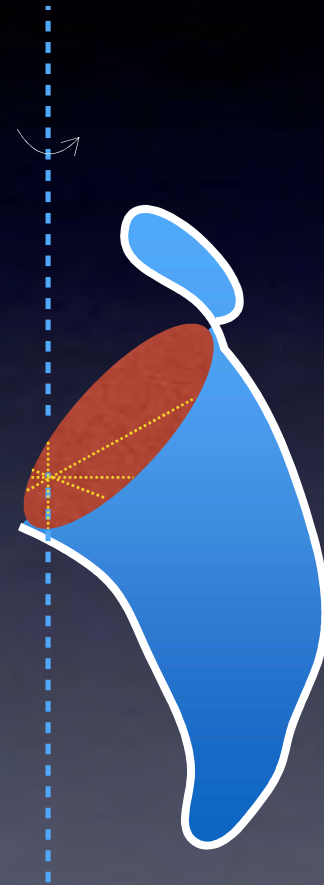


TEE axis



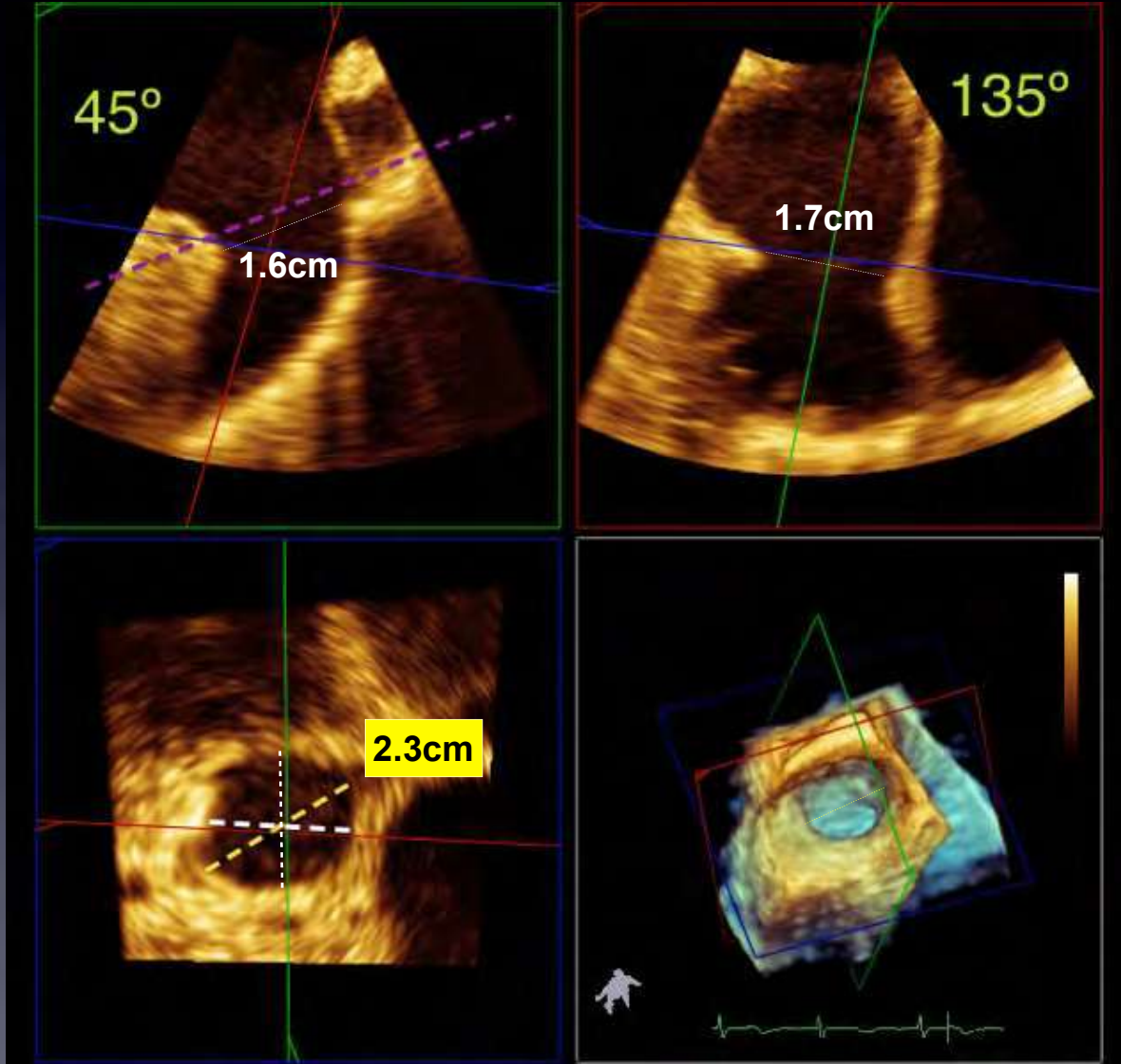


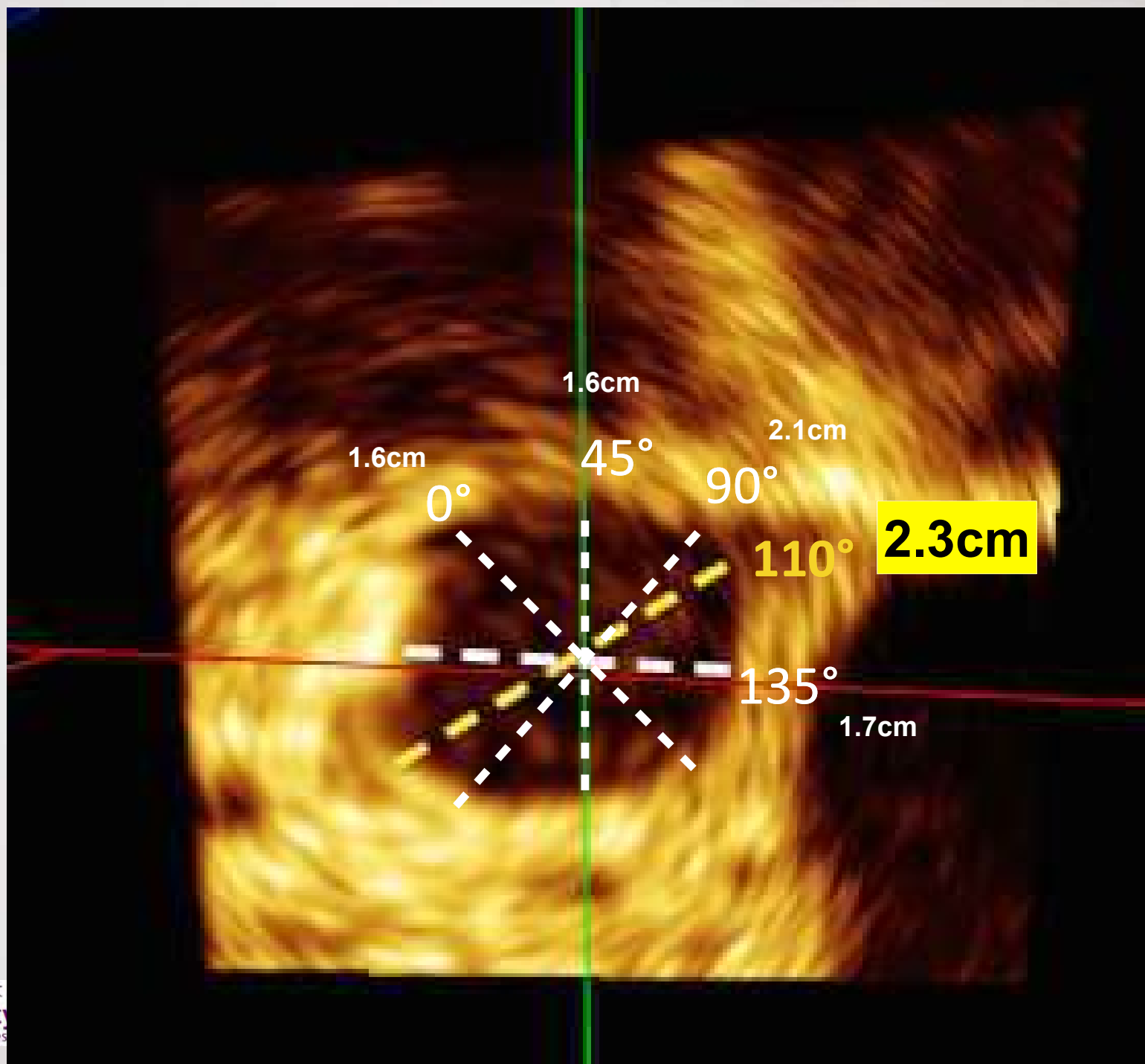
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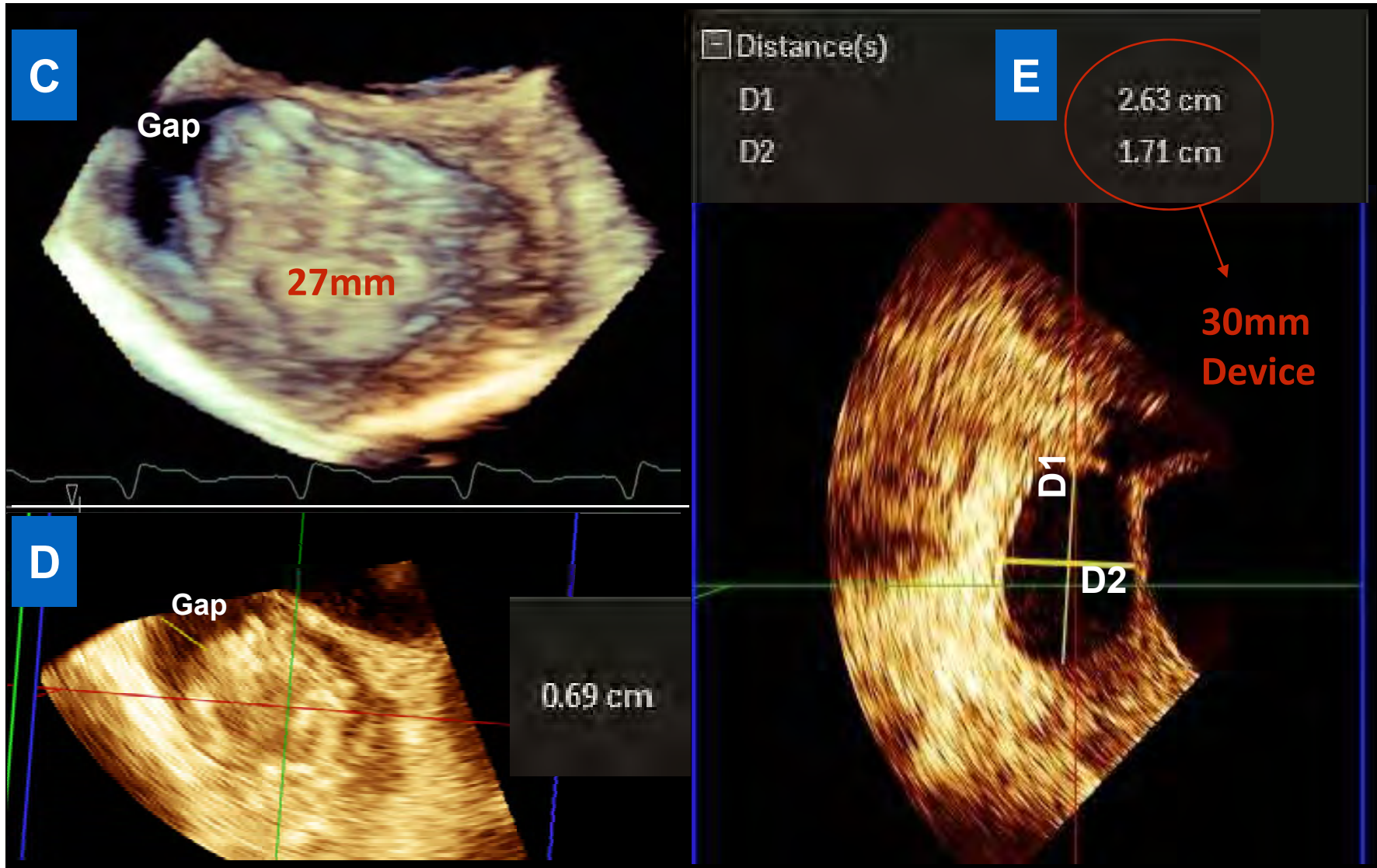


# 3DTEE for Device Sizing

*Infinite numbers of imaging planes*  
*Avoiding undersizing of LAA orifice*





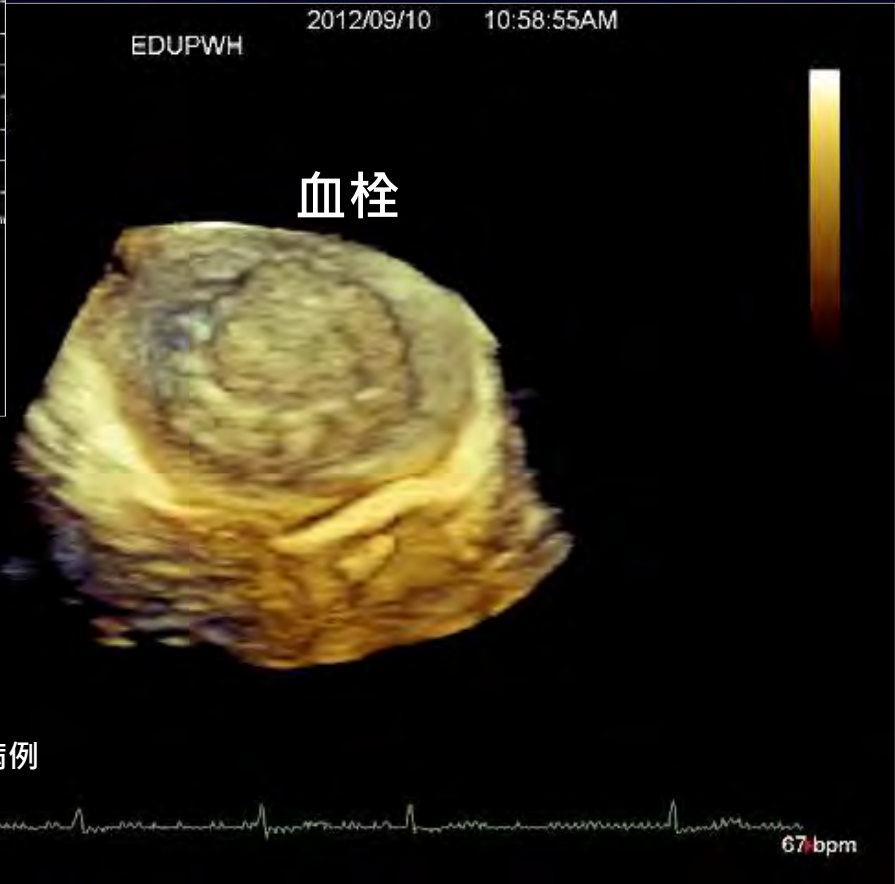
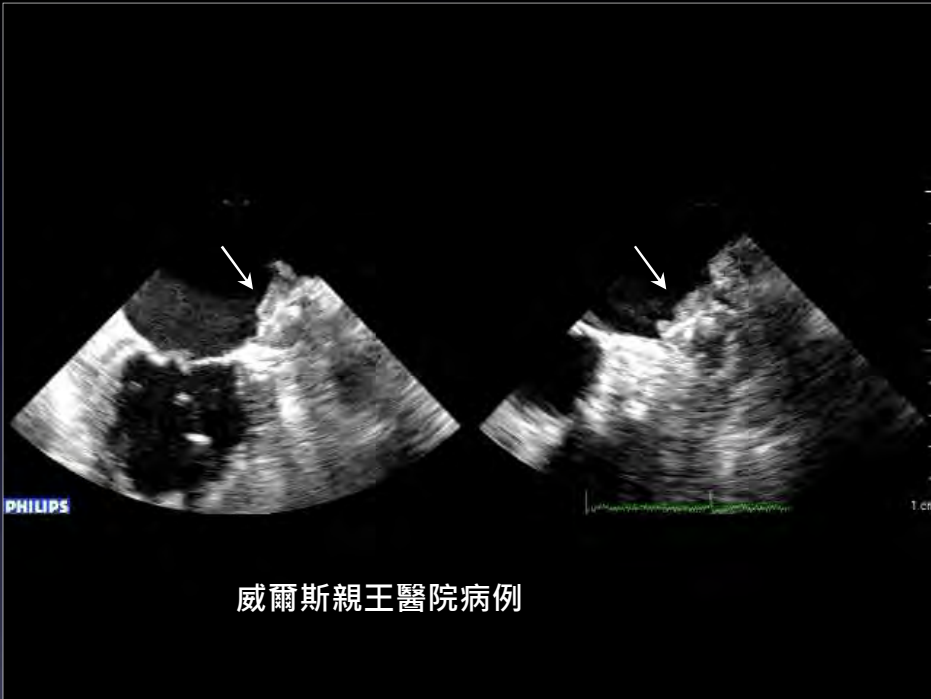




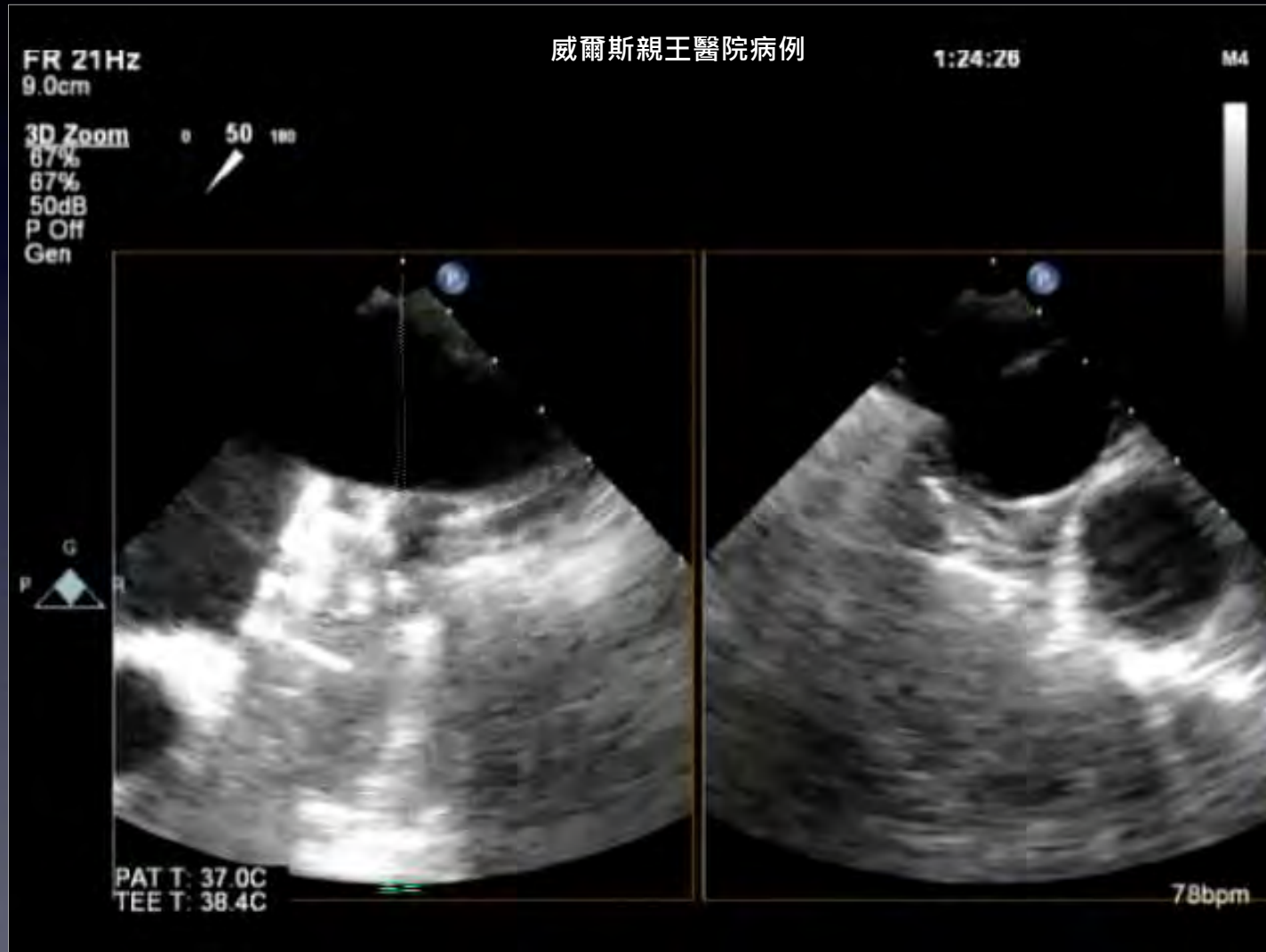
# 3D en face view as a final confirmation



# 忌廉旦糕？



# UFO ?



# Monitoring Complications - Pericardial Effusion

FR 50Hz  
18cm

2D  
74%  
C 50  
P Off  
Gen



M4



JPEG



PAT T: 37.0C  
TEE T: 38.5C

136 bpm



*Monitoring Complications - Catheter Thrombus*



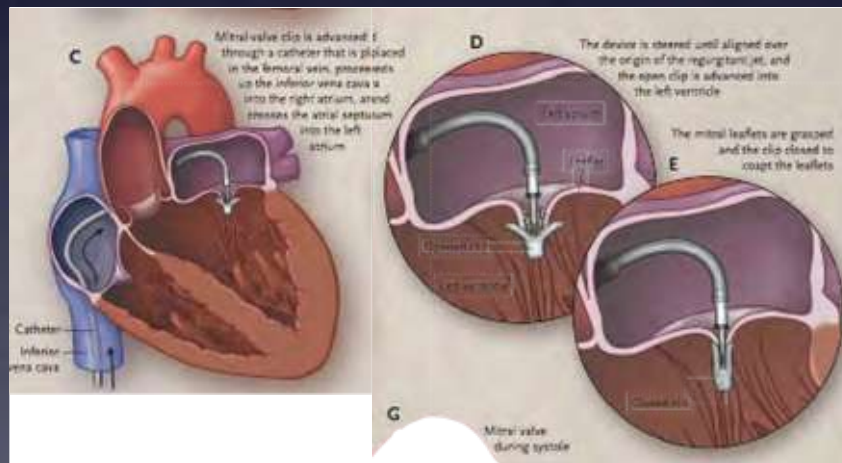
*Monitoring Complications - Device "hooking" LAA, Pericardial Effusion*



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1 cm

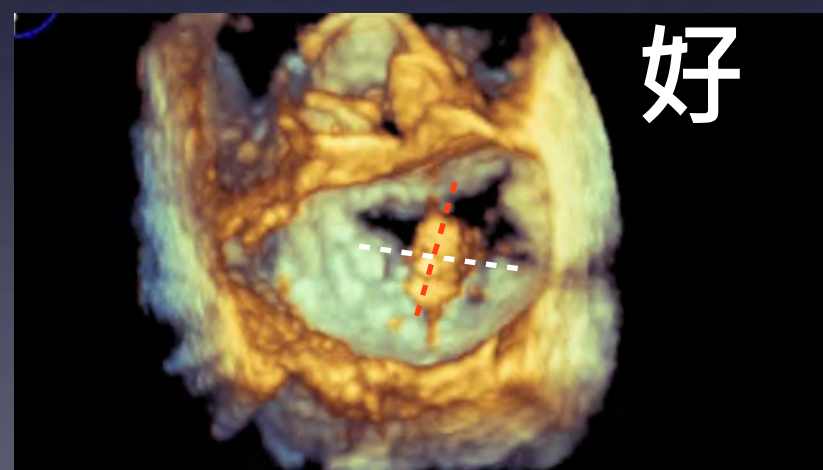
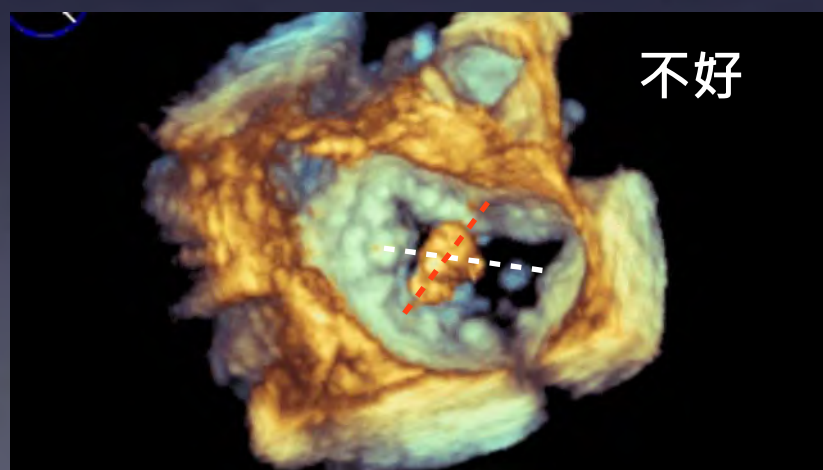
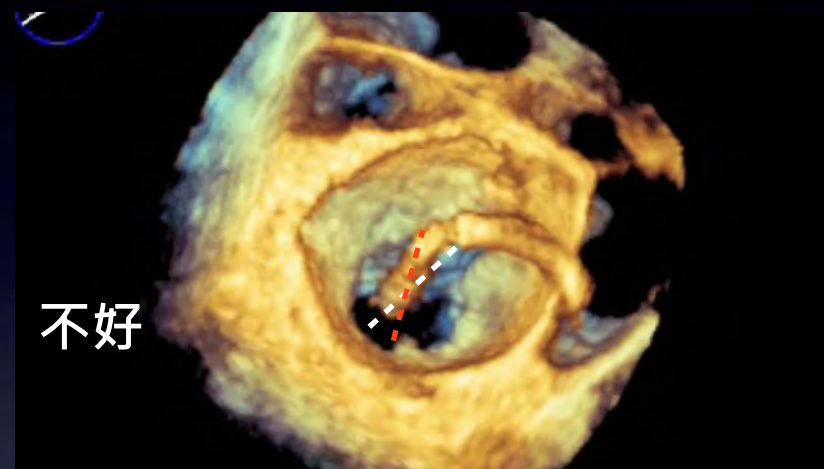
# 经导管二尖瓣修复 (Mitraclip)



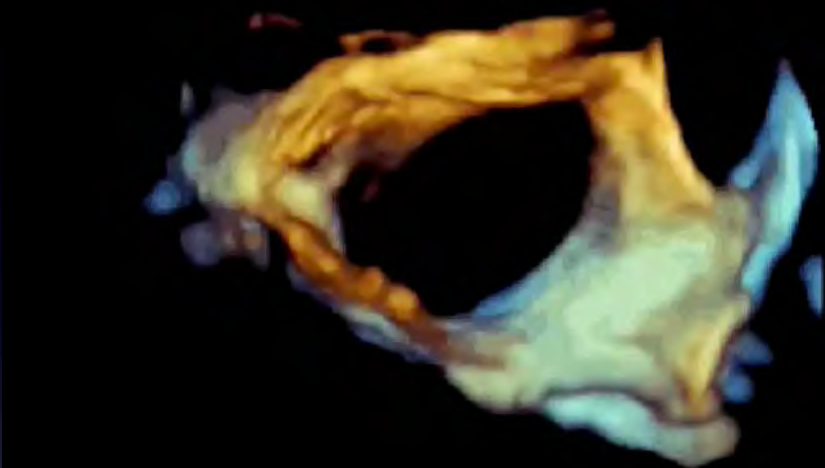
# 在XPlane导引下Clip转向进入左心室



# RT3D TEE是引导Clip对齐二尖瓣的最佳工具



# 心房缺損(ASD)



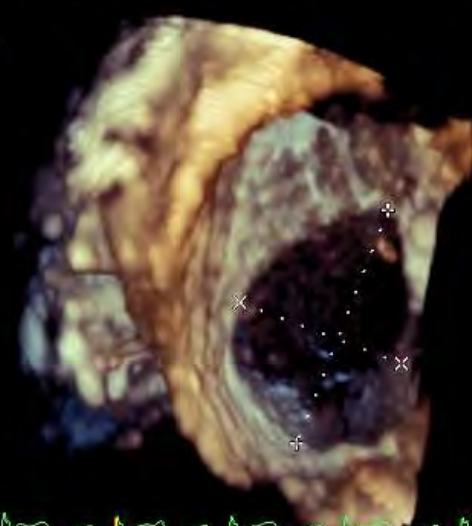
FR 5M2  
6.5cm

3D  
3D 51%  
3D 40dB



3D Beats 1

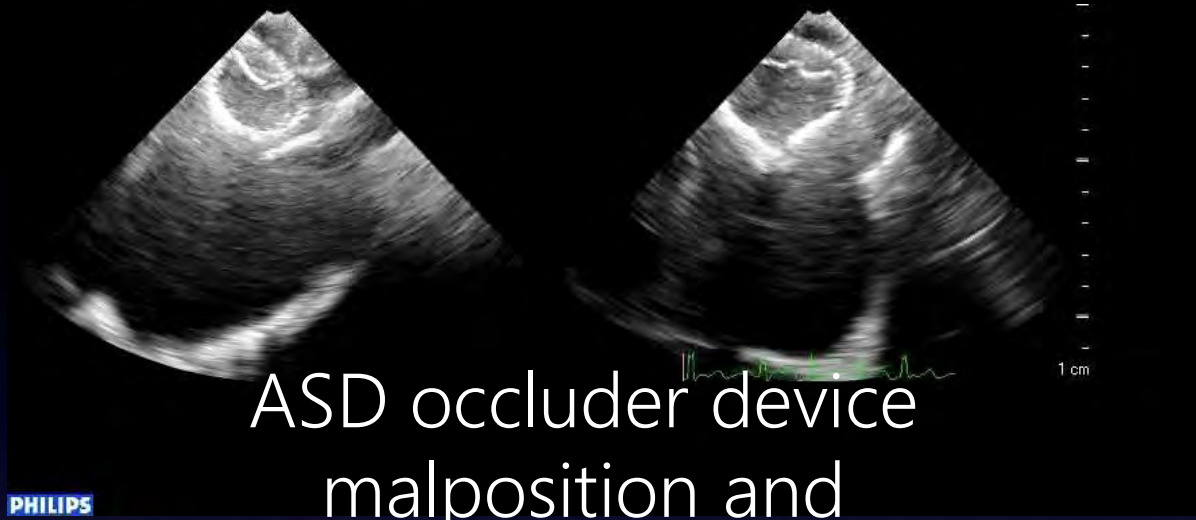
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× Dist 2.91 cm  
+ Dist 4.21 cm



86bpm



ASD occluder device  
malposition and  
dislodgement

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VR 8H2 90 180  
5cm  
Live 3D  
3D 59%  
3D 30dB

2024/10/23 16:19 PM  
EDU, PHU

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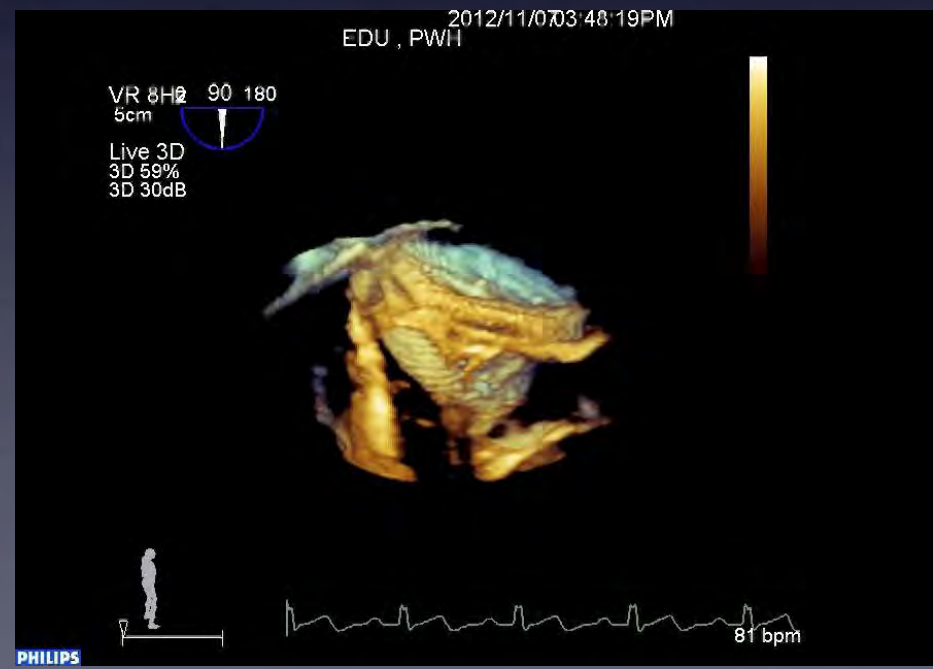
81 bpm





Good device positioning  
guided by 3D TEE

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# 心室缺損(VSD)

PHILIPS 05/11/2015 09:33:14AM TISO.2 JPEGR CR 17:1 MI 0.5  
X7-2t/Adult

FR 8Hz  
13cm

3D  
3D 52%  
3D 40dB

0 0 180

M4

JPEG

PAT T: 37.0C  
TEE T: 39.5C

83 bpm

PHILIPS 05/11/2015 10:00:15AM TISO.6 JPEGR CR 12:1 MI 0.5  
X7-2t/Adult

FR 18Hz  
16cm

2D  
82%  
C 50  
P Off  
Pen

CF  
59%  
4.4MHz  
WF High  
Med

0 14 180

M4 M4  
+43.4  
-43.4  
cm/s

JPEG

PAT T: 37.0C  
TEE T: 39.7C

97 bpm

PHILIPS 05/11/2015 10:30:20AM TISO.1 JPEGR CR 11:1 MI 0.5  
X7-2t/Adult

FR 29Hz  
13cm

xPlane  
84%  
84%  
50dB  
P Off  
Pen

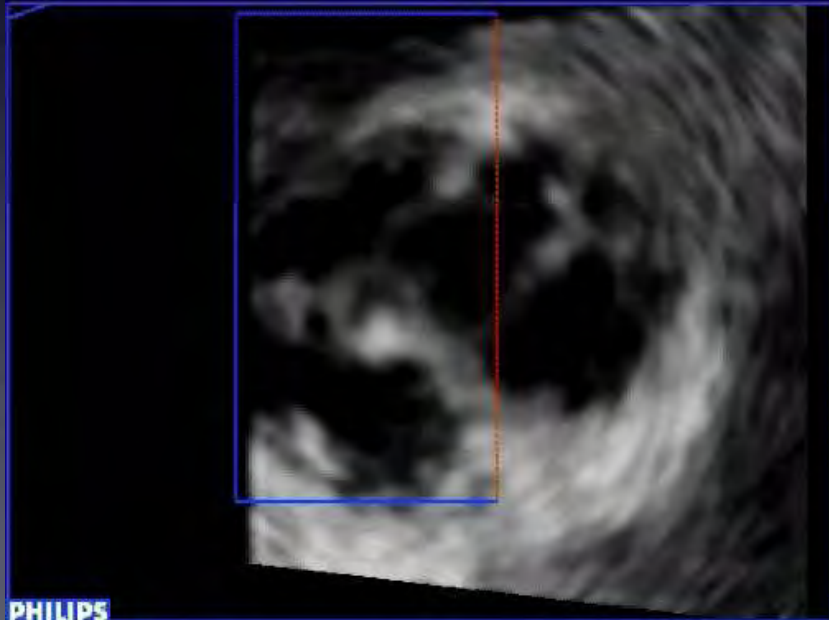
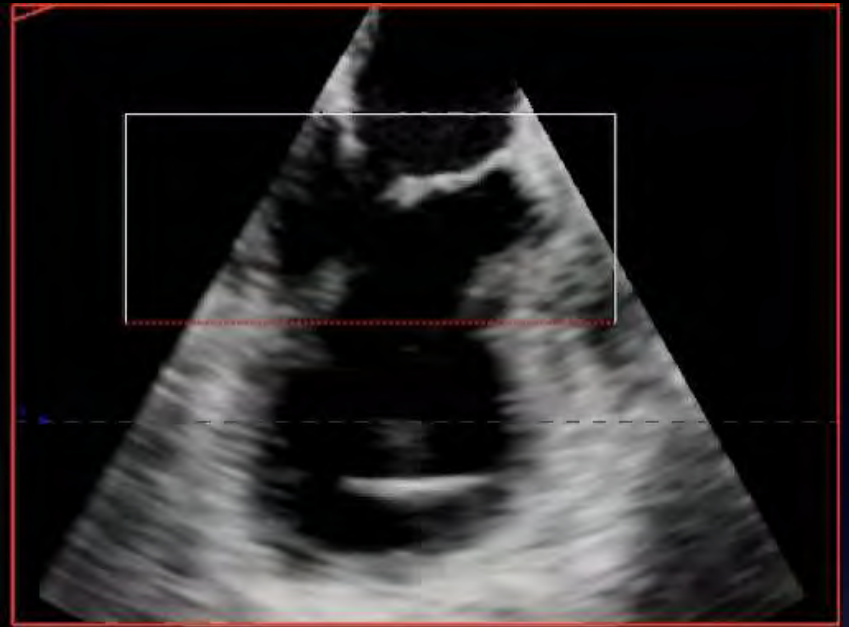
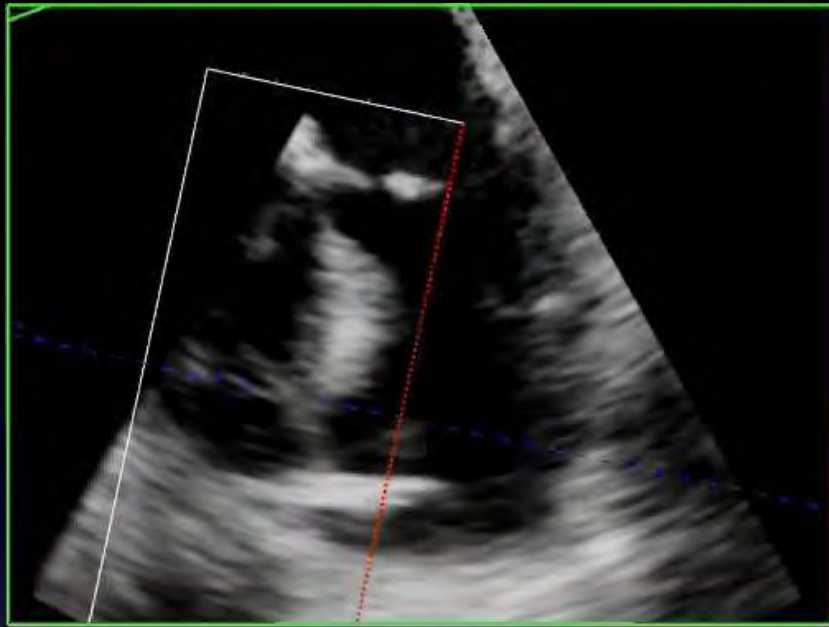
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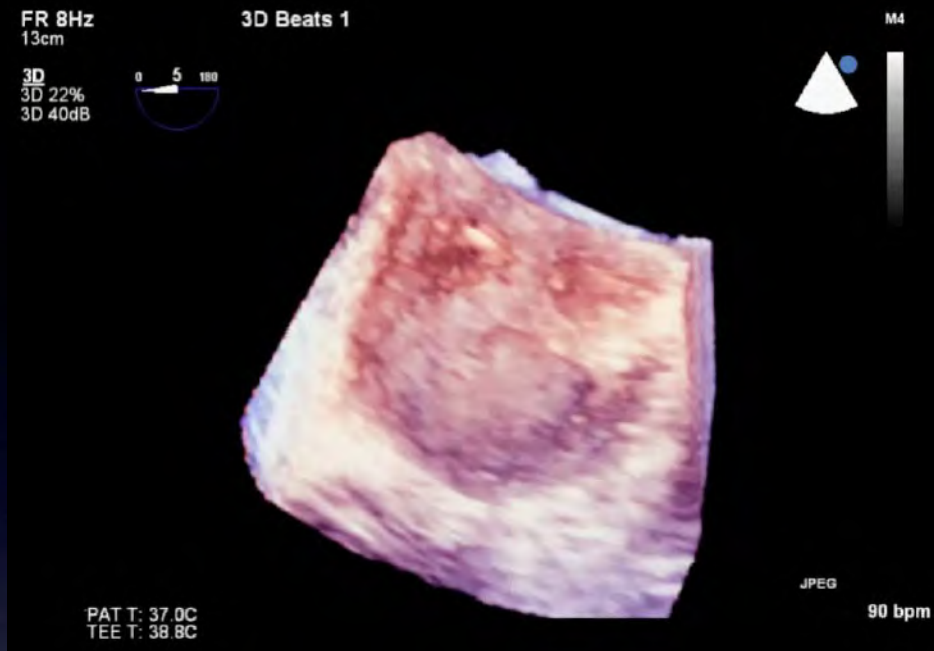
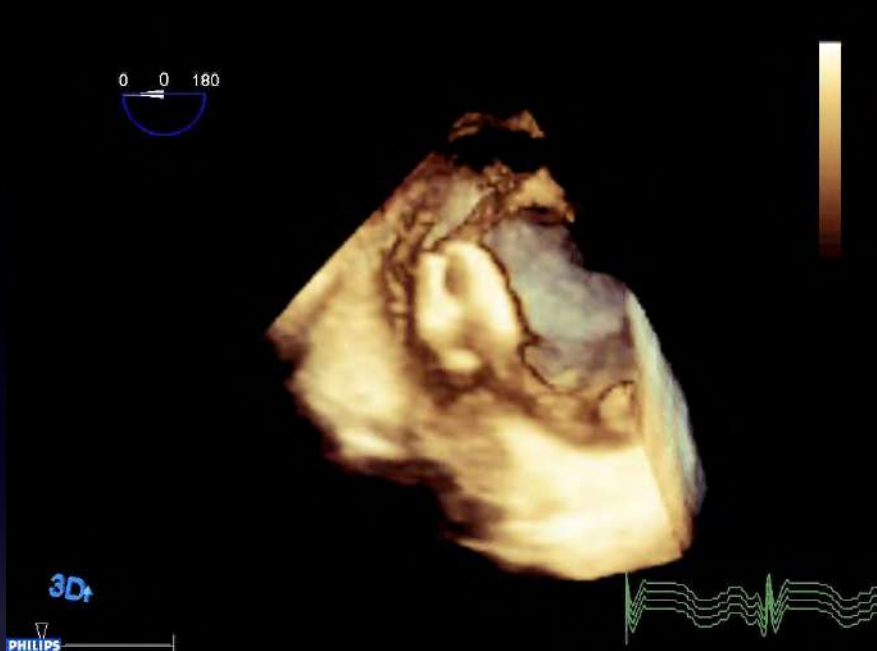
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85 bpm



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**經導管瓣周漏封堵**  
**(Transcatheter periprosthetic leak**  
**occlusion)**

# Case 1

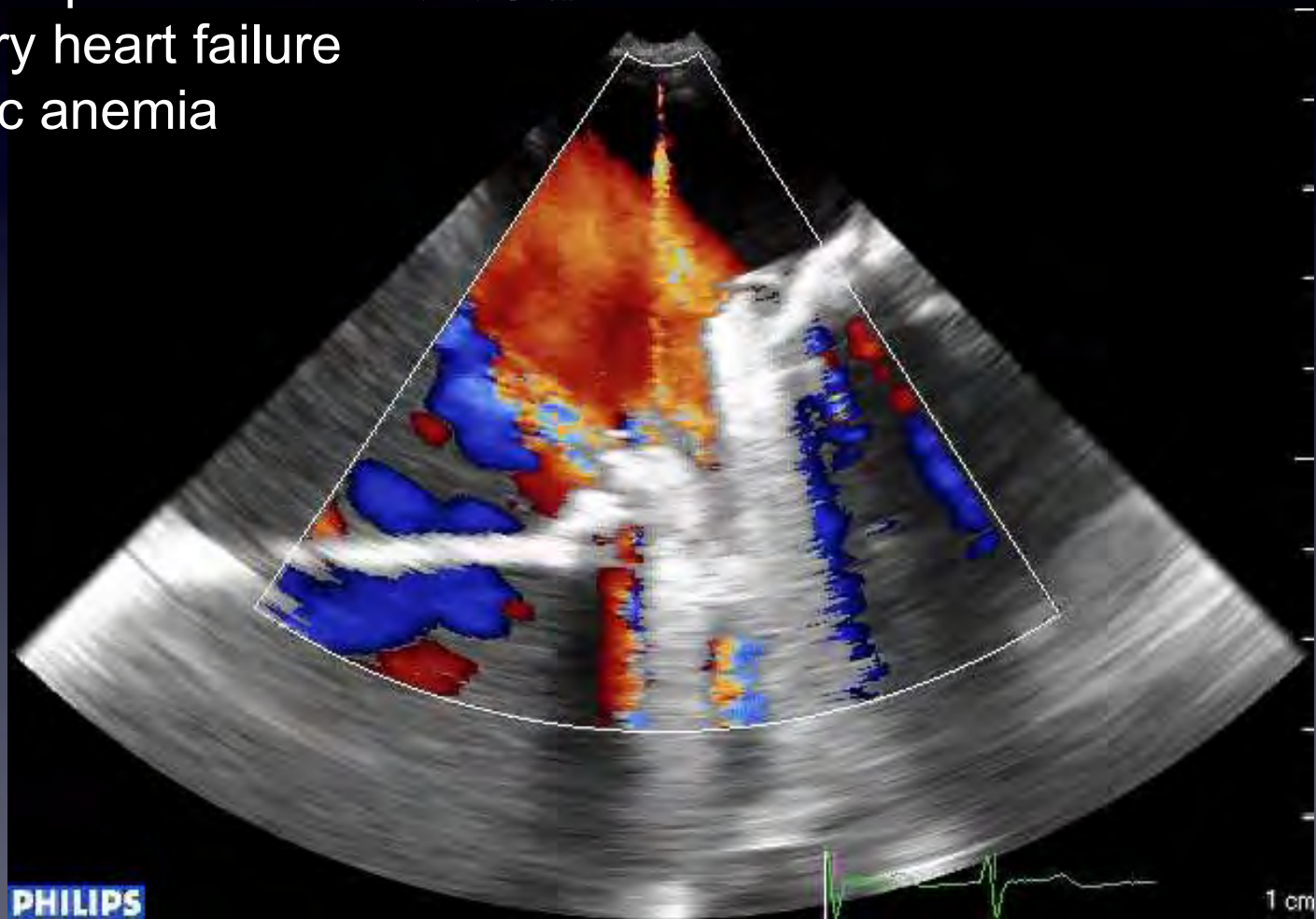
F/55

Double valve replacement

Severe periprosthetic MR 瓣周漏

Refractory heart failure

Hemolytic anemia



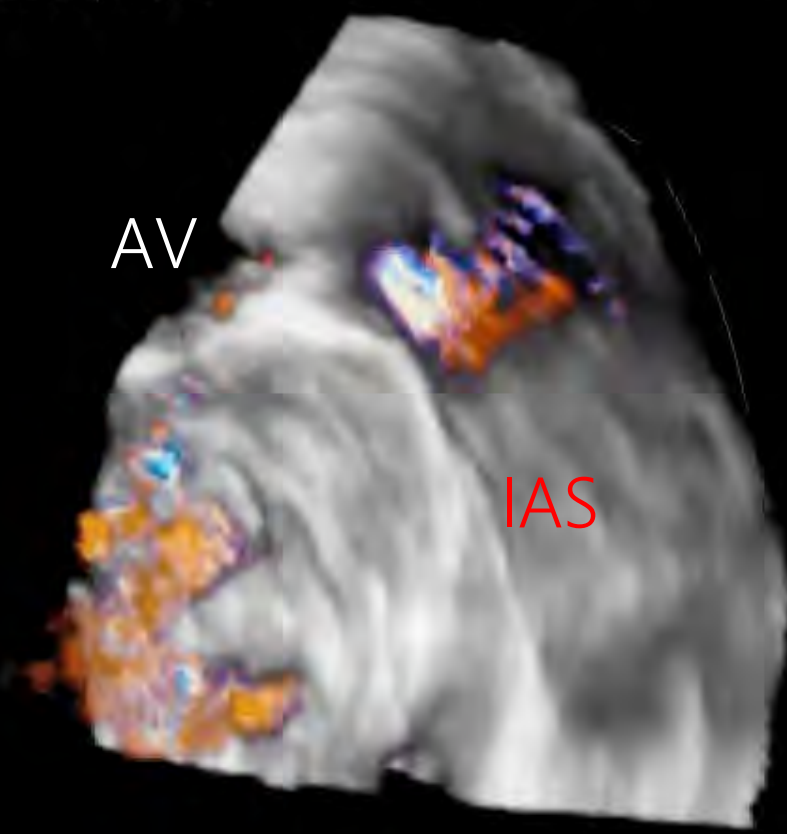


VR 15Hz 0 110 180  
10cm



Full Volume  
3D 22%  
3D 33dB

CF  
66%  
4.4MHZ

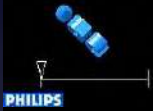
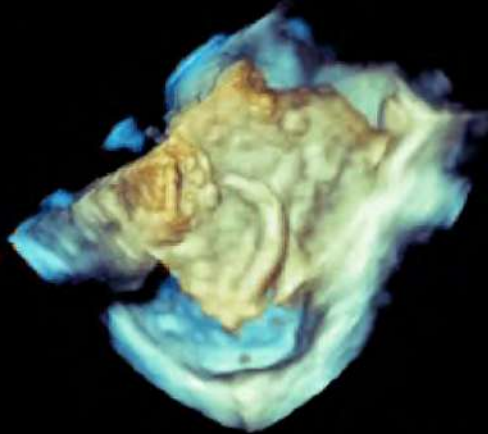


82 bpm

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VR 7Hz  
13cm

Live 3D  
3D 34%  
3D 21dB

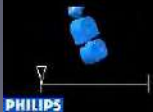
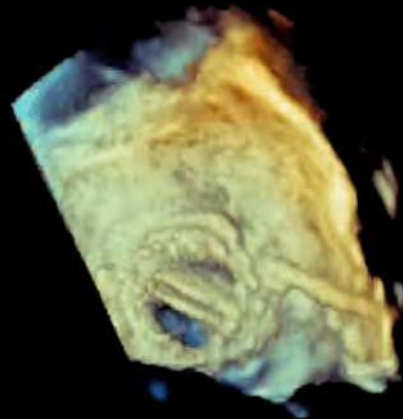


204 bpm

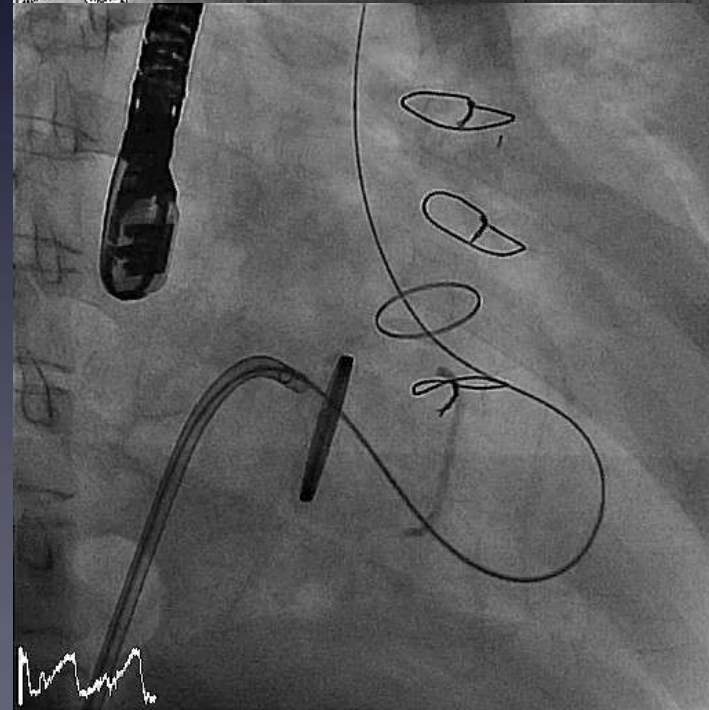
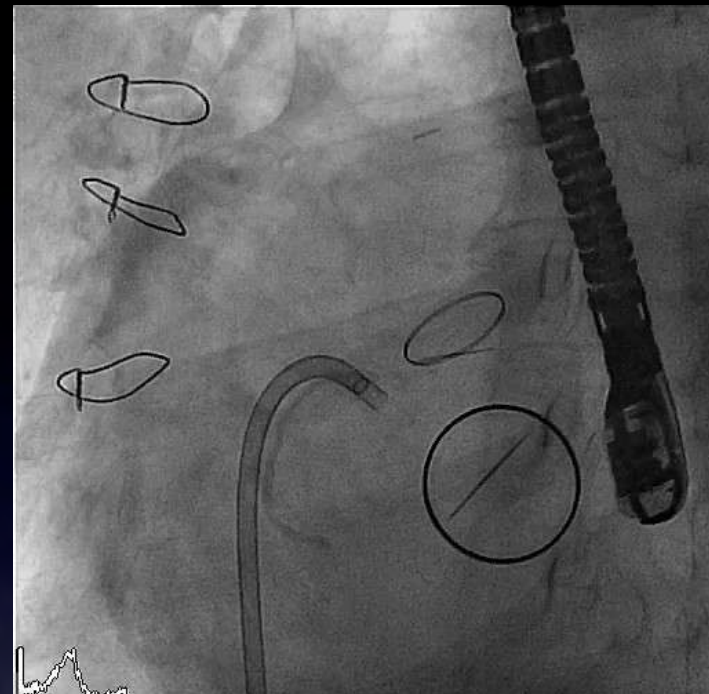
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VR 14Hz  
7cm

Live 3D  
3D 4%  
3D 50dB



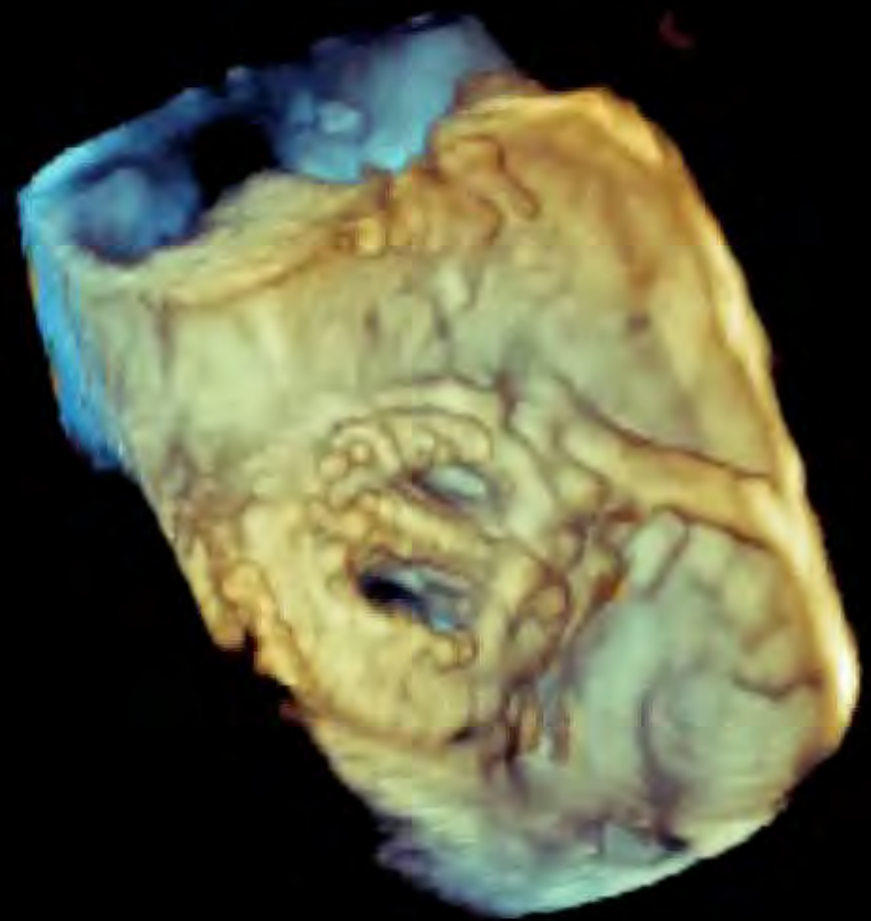
116 bpm



VR 8Hz  
7cm



Live 3D  
3D 3%  
3D 19dB



93 bpm

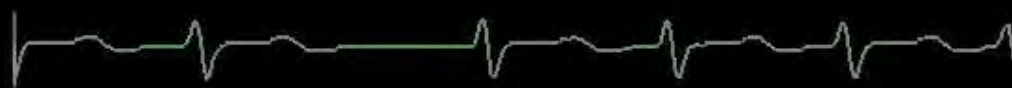
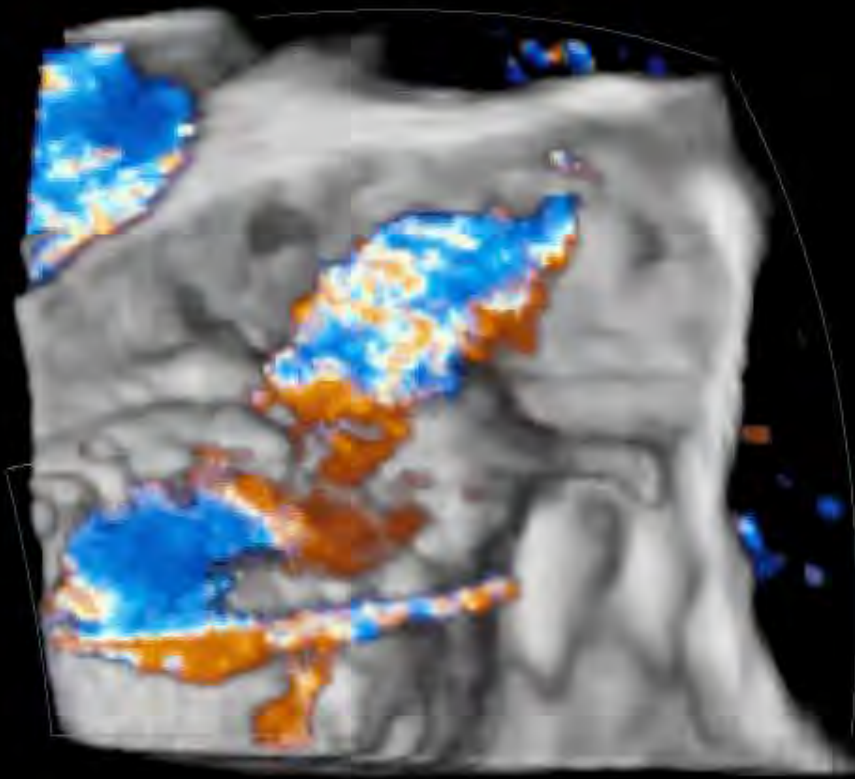
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VR 2Hz  
5cm



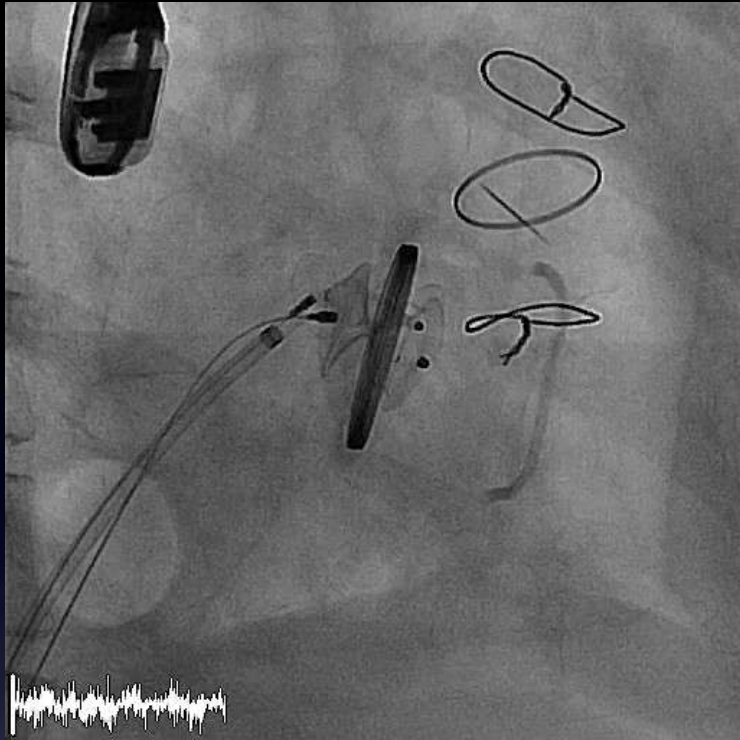
Full Volume  
3D 32%  
3D 33dB

CF  
75%  
4.4MHZ



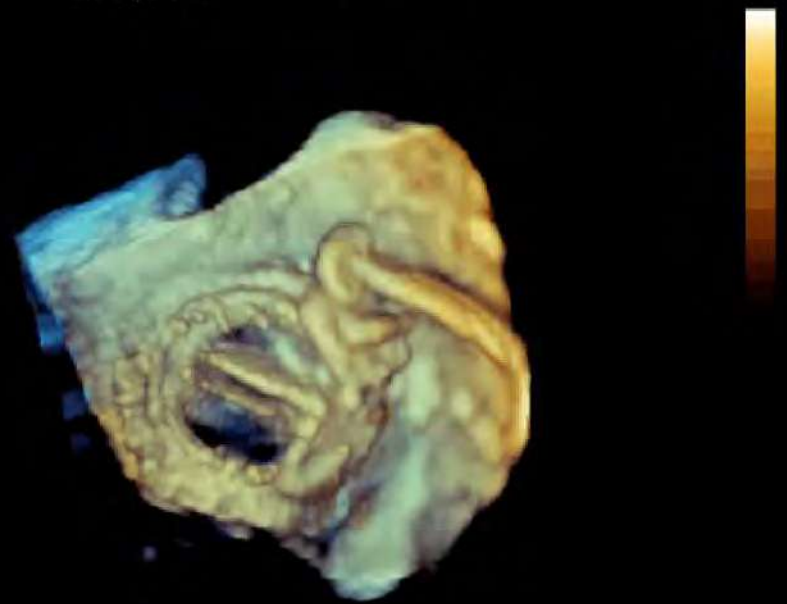
91 bpm

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VR 6Hz  
6cm  
Live 3D  
3D 12%  
3D 50dB



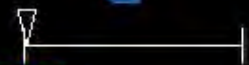
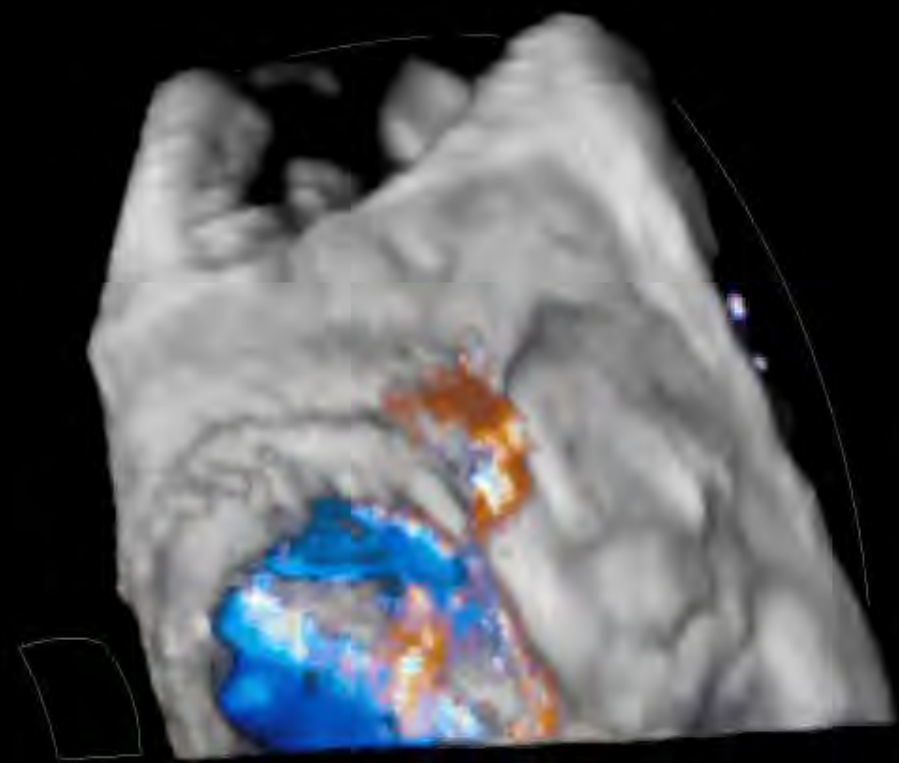


VR 2Hz 0 90 180  
6cm

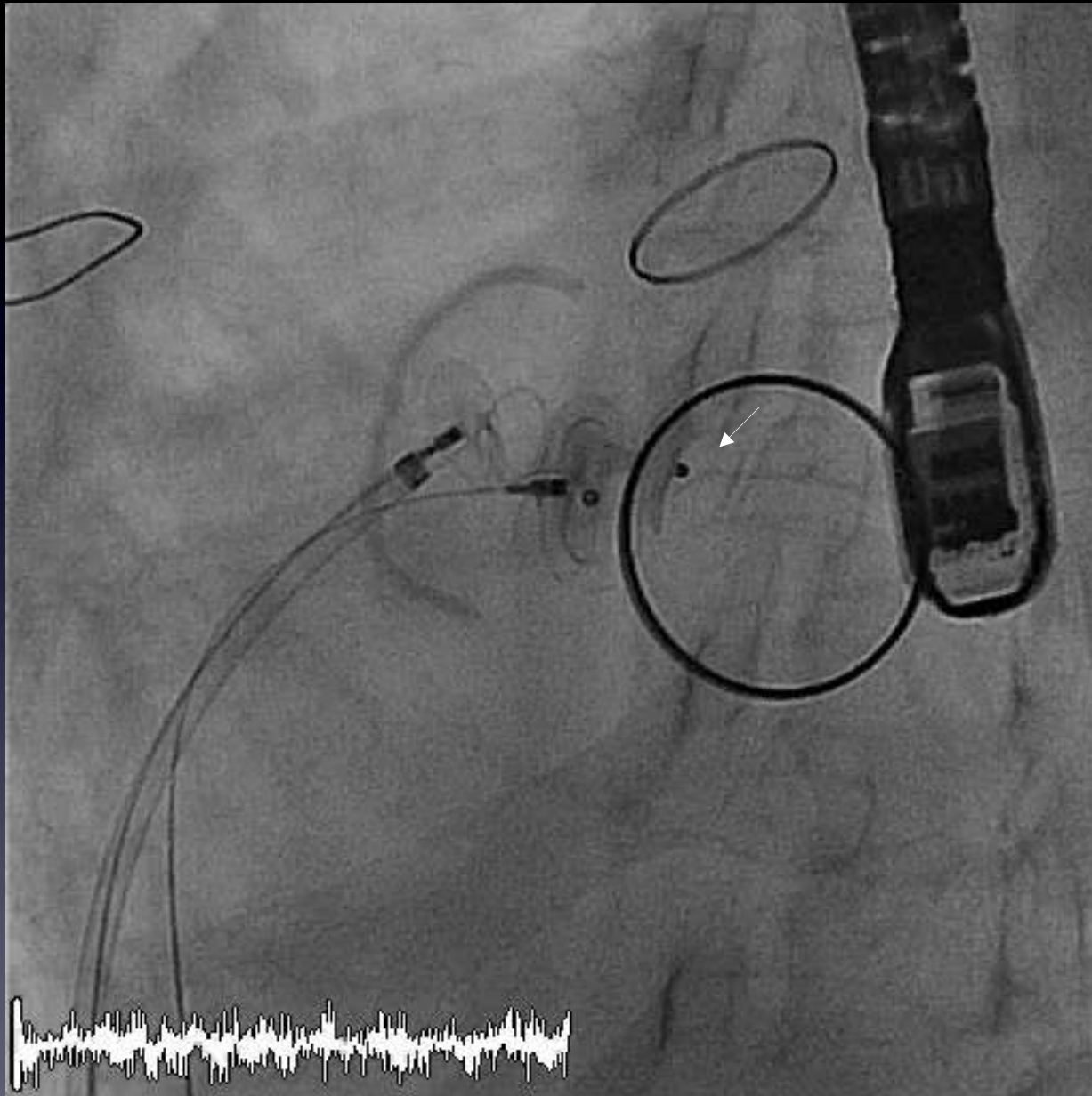


Full Volume  
3D 19%  
3D 50dB

CF  
66%  
4.4MHZ



75 bpm



# Final result

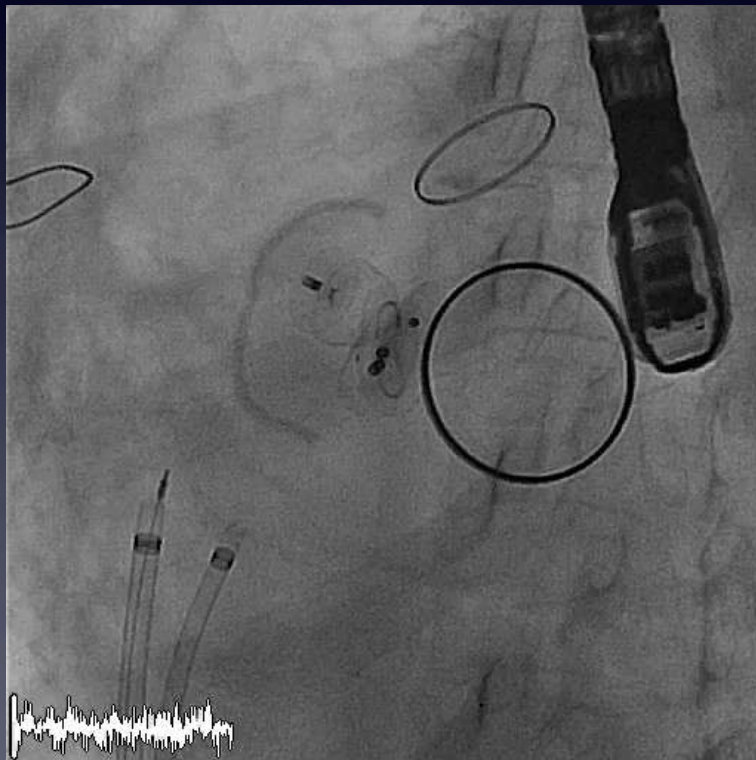
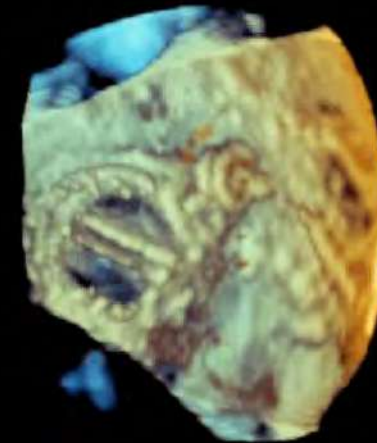
## 2nd device adjusted

### Minimal PVL

### Normal leaflet motion

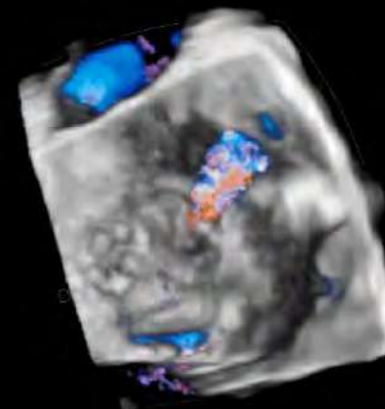
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VR 6Hz  
cm  
ve 3D  
3D 23%  
3D 50dB



EDU , PWH 2013/09/08 12:24:39PM

VR 7Hz  
7cm  
Full Volume  
3D 50%  
3D 26dB  
CF  
51%  
4.4MHZ



+67.0  
89 bpm  
-67.0

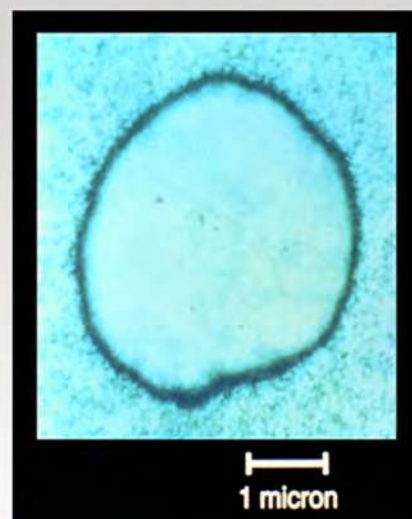
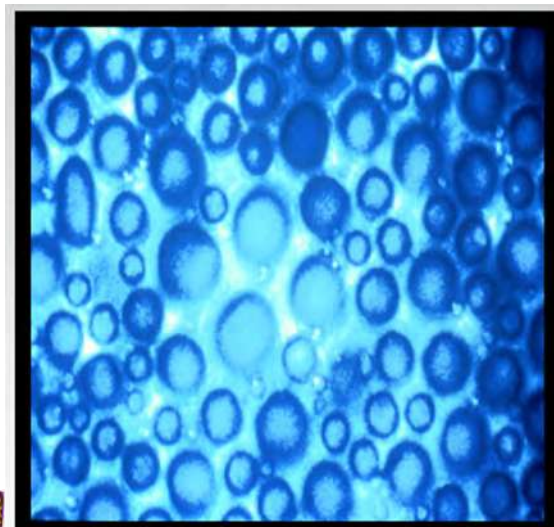
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88 bpm

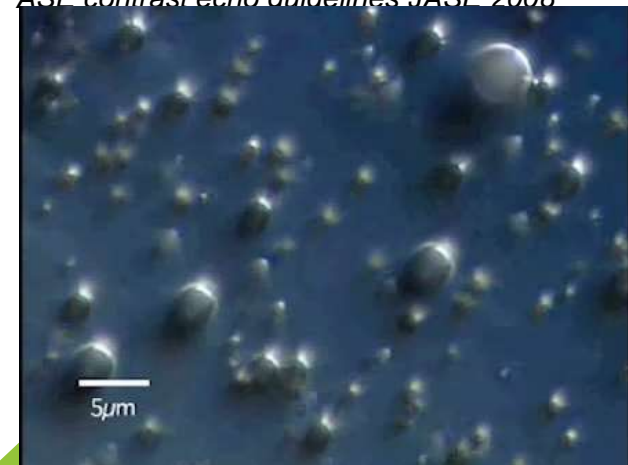


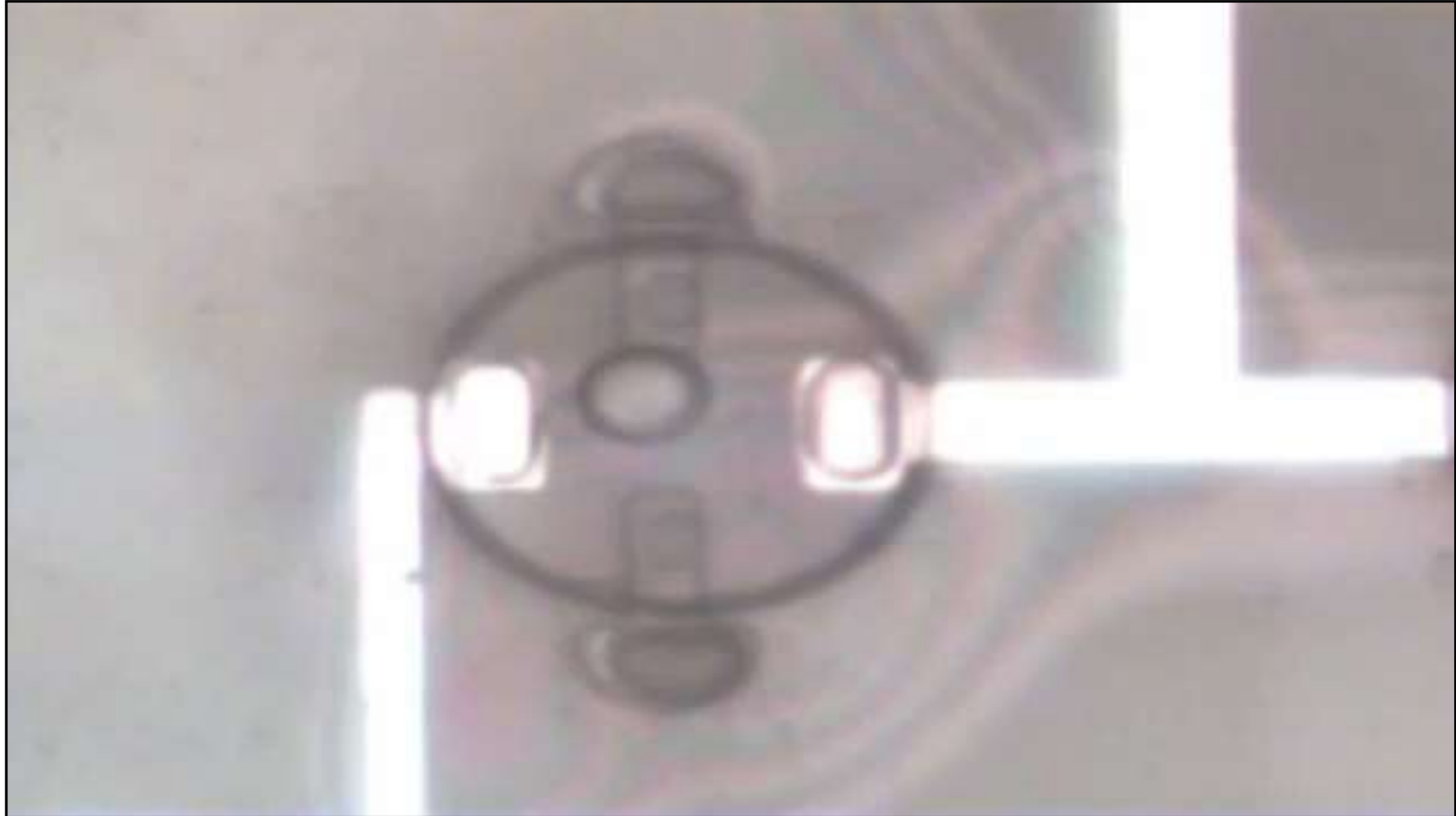
# What is micro-bubble ultrasound contrast?

- Microbubbles are bubbles  $>1$  micrometer to  $<1$  millimetre in diameter
- Filled with gas e.g. sulphur hexafluoride
- Liquid-gas interface reflects ultrasound waves



*ASE contrast echo guidelines JASE 2008*





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# How to perform CE?

PWH dosing experience/guidelines:

- Slow bolus injections (~0.2-0.4 mL) of SonoVue followed by slow 5 mL saline flush over 5-10 seconds (low EF patients may need larger bolus ~0.5-0.6ml)
- Repeat boluses if necessary, usually <6ml per study



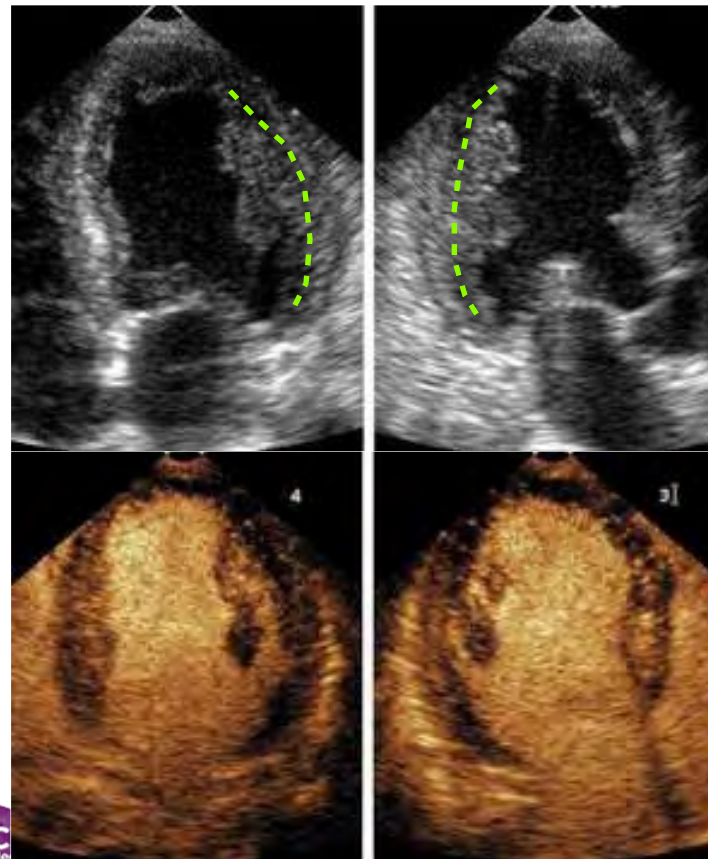
# Overview

- Conventional use:
  - Endocardial border definition
  - LV opacification
  - Thrombus detection
- Innovative use:
  - Myocardial perfusion
  - Stress echo
  - Shunt detection
  - Aortic endoleak detection
  - Therapeutic contrast

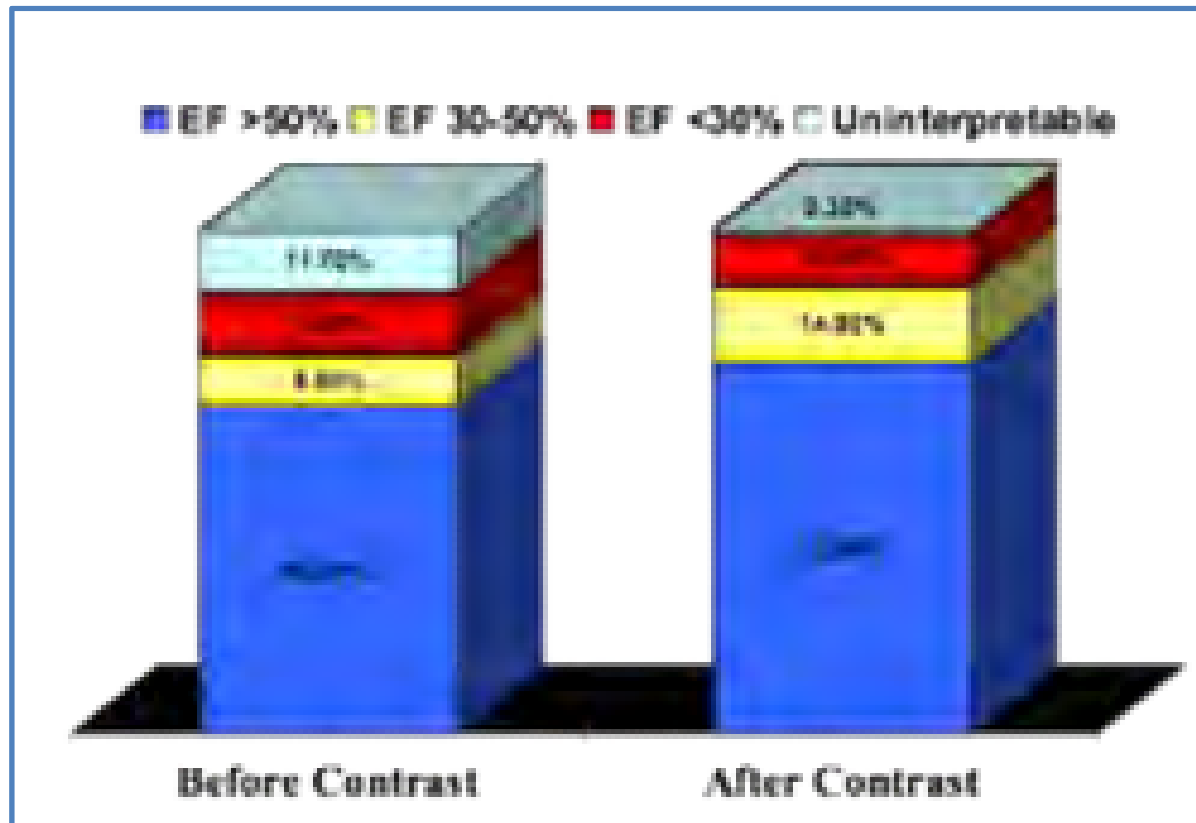


## Contrast Administration Reduces Interobserver Variability in Determination of Left Ventricular Ejection Fraction in Patients With Left Ventricular Dysfunction and Good Baseline Endocardial Border Delineation

Sunil Nayyar, MD, Anthony Magalski, MD, Taiyeb M. Khumri, MD, Madhuri Idupulapati, MD, Casey N. Stoner, MA, Lisa L. Kusnetzky, BA, Tina R. Coggins, RDCS, Becky A. Morris, RDCS, and Michael L. Main, MD\*

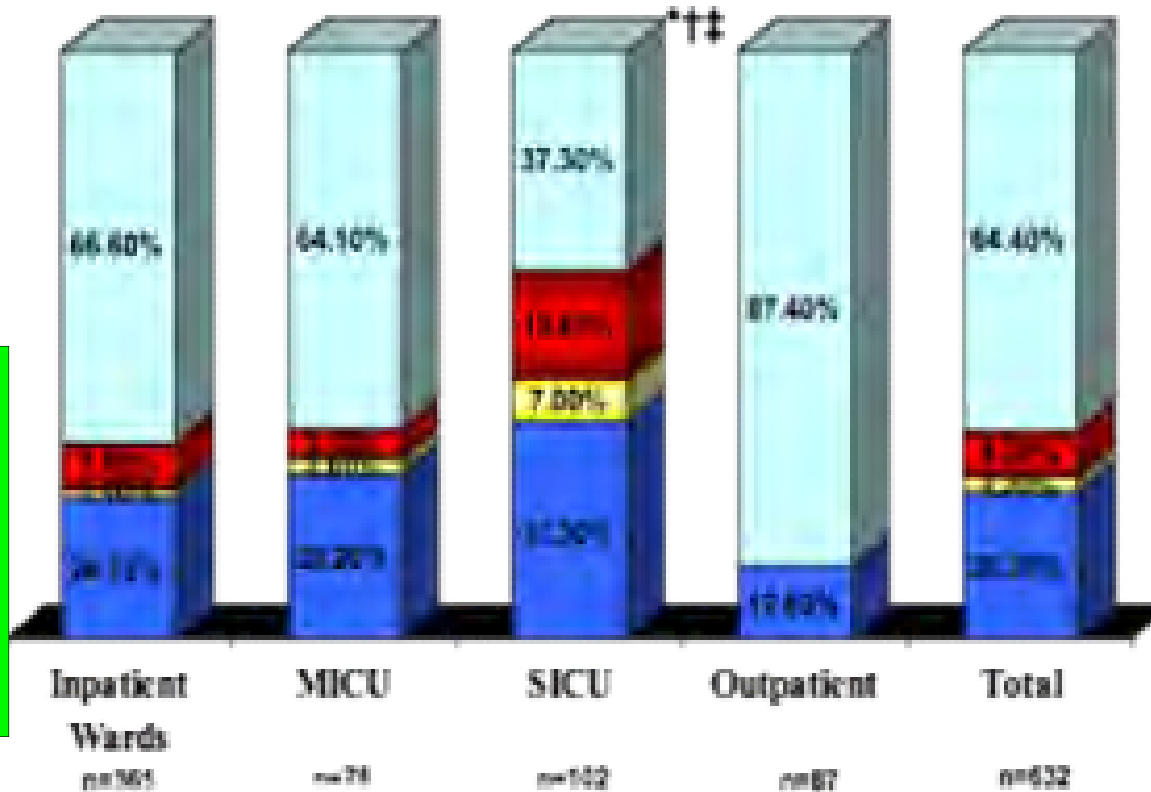


# Impact of Contrast on LV EF Assessment



# Total Impact of CE on Patient Management

■ Procedure Avoided, only      ■ Medication Change, only  
■ Both Medication and Procedural Change    ■ Unchanged



The patients' medical regimen and/or procedure were altered by contrast echo interpretation in 35.6% of patients

# Which patient(s) have LV thrombus?







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# 42 year-old morbidly obese patient with right heart failure



51/M

Lives in Tuen Mun; truck driver  
Allergy to aspirin/penicillin

- 2005 Morbid obesity BIB insertion in attempted twice both not tolerated; gastric down by anaes because of high GA risk in 2005
- OSA, RDI 15.8.
- Asthma
- 2004 protein losing enteropathy
  - Colonoscopy(Apr-05): Patchy congestion of mucosa at ascending colon, bx no yield
  - CE(7-June-06): congested SB mucosa
  - CT Enteroclysis(July-06): artefacts
  - Duodenal histology, culture and parasite:

PWH 23/08/11 Echocardiogram  
PWH 22/12/10 Echocardiogram  
PWH 27/05/10 Echocardiogram  
PWH 21/03/06 Echocardiogram  
PWH 20/04/05 Echocardiogram

All images	Lossless images
<b>Computed Tomography</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PWH 12/11/10 Coronary plain, Coronary+con
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PWH 13/10/10 Thorax plain, Thorax+con.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PWH 19/06/10 Brain plain
<b>Breast Imaging</b>	
	PWH 08/09/04 Mammogram, U/S Breast (Each side)
	PWH 08/09/04 Mammogram, U/S Breast (Each side)
<b>Non-Vascular Invasive &amp; IR Pro</b>	
	PWH 29/10/04 Pre-US guided procedure diagnostic set, US Bx
<b>Magnetic Resonance Imaging</b>	
	PWH 30/11/11 MRCP plain
	PWH 13/08/10 Abd-std. plain
<b>Nuclear Medicine</b>	
	PWH 28/02/05 HSA
	PWH 08/09/04 HSA
<b>Fluoro. Exam. +- Contras</b>	
	PWH 28/07/06 ERCP + proced.
	TMH 15/11/02 Follow through
	TMH 14/08/02 Enema
<b>Others</b>	

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### iotherapy Record

### er Investigation

H 06/12/10 Pulmonary Function Tes  
H 25/07/05 Pulmonary Function Tes  
H 21/07/05 Pulmonary Function Tes  
H 10/06/05 Pulmonary Function Tes  
H 08/04/05 Pulmonary Function Tes

### Corporate Endoscopy Record

Hospital	Date	Endosco
PWH	28/07/2006	OGD
PWH	07/08/2005	OGD
PWH	30/07/2005	OGD
PWH	09/06/2005	OGD
PWH	14/04/2005	Colonosc
PWH	29/12/2004	OGD
PWH	15/11/2004	OGD

al spleen and no ascites

Albumin scan, no evidence of protein losing enteropathy

### HPI:

- admitted for USG guided liver biopsy as ?NASH. Procedure done and uneventful, pending liver biopsy result
- Bedside echo was done to rule out right heart failure: RV and LV are in correct proportional dimension with mild RAE and LAE, can't exclude pulmonary embolism, so outpatient V/Q scan and D-dimer were arranged
- patient's BP/P stable, no oozing from biopsy site and no abdominal pain, fit for discharge



Case No.: HN04078954Q Hospital: PWH Admissior  
Created Date: 29/10/2004 17:00 User Speciality: MED Patient Sp

FU PWH

admitted to our unit for fever, diarrhoea, dyspnoea with chill and rigor on & off haemoptysis for 2/12 PND+, orthopnoea+, ankle edema watery diarrhoea for few days no RN, no sore throat

**Note**

M/42  
unemployed  
ADLi  
lives in Tuen Mun with

**PMHx:**

-Morbid obesity FU DME  
-asthma+ gout FU GP  
-venous eczema FU YCH  
-suspected OSA pending  
-left breast cellulitis  
-last admitted for incr associated with bilater Hypoalbuminaemia(ALB:24 leading to? transudativ clinically improved with

HBsAg, anti-HCV negative  
USG: moderate fatty liver  
Albumin scan: no evidence

usually on lasix 80bd, captopril 6.25 daily, aldactone  
admitted with increase fluid retention, SOB, and chest RM  
BW increased from 146 (5/2010 discharge BW) -> 155 kg  
CXR mild congestion +  
ECG low voltage same as before.  
alb 22 cr 140 static  
CT brain NAD

Rx IV lasix 80 q8h x4/7 and 70g albumin IV total  
BW decreased gradually to 139kg. clinically no leg oe  
Cr 160, K 4.4 tolerable  
no reaccumulation of fluid after lasix changed to ora  
stop weekly diulo  
but prone to toe joint gouty attack.

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BP 127/94

Pulse 95 regular



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**History and Physical Findings:**

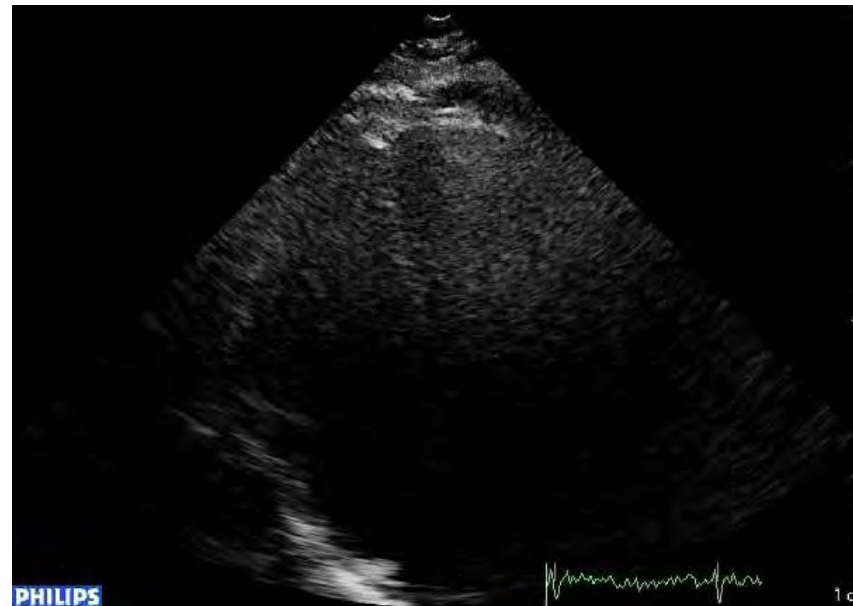
Morbid obesity,, asthma, OSA, hypoalbuminaemia, ?right herat failure

6/2005

**Comments:**  
SUBOPTIMAL ECHO  
MILD TR WITH NORMAL PASP  
NORMAL LV FUNCTION

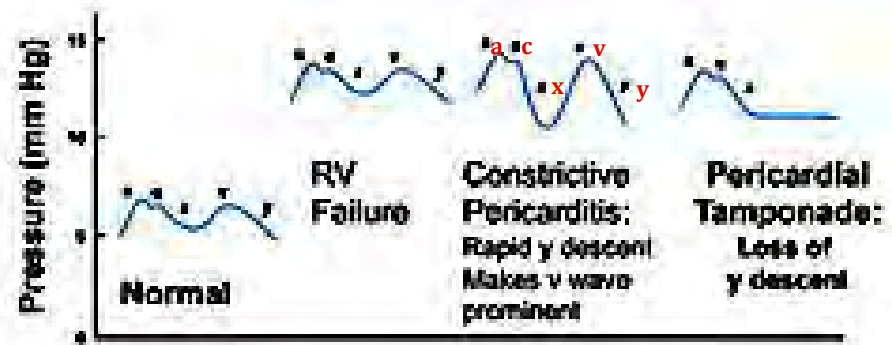
8/2007

**Comments:**  
SUBOPTIMAL ECHO IMAGE  
NORMAL LV FUNCTION.  
NORMAL PASP  
LAE



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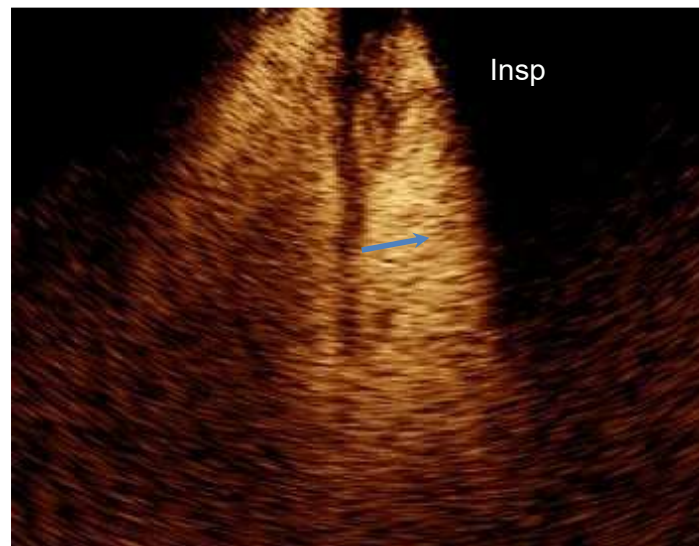
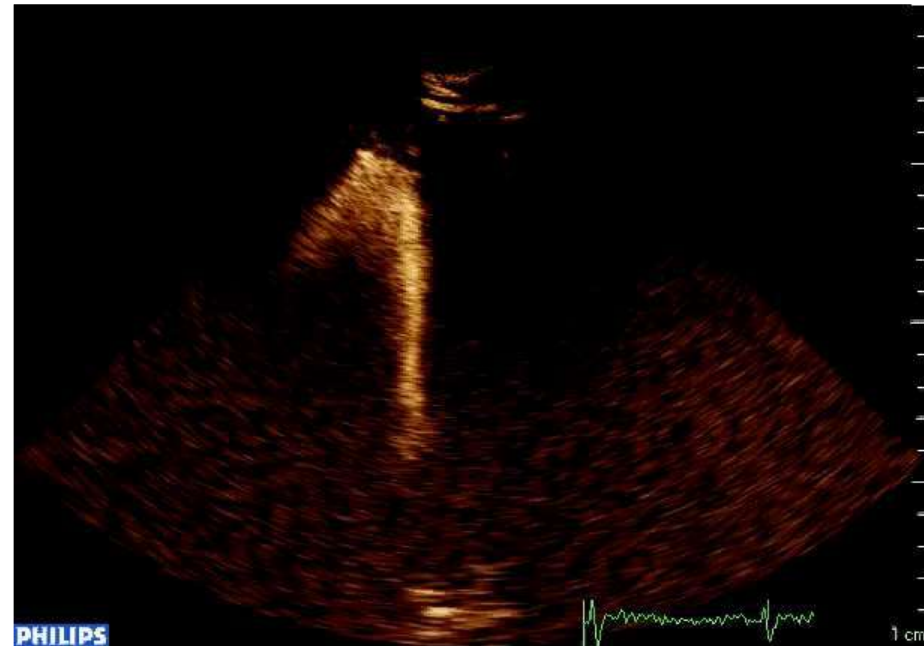




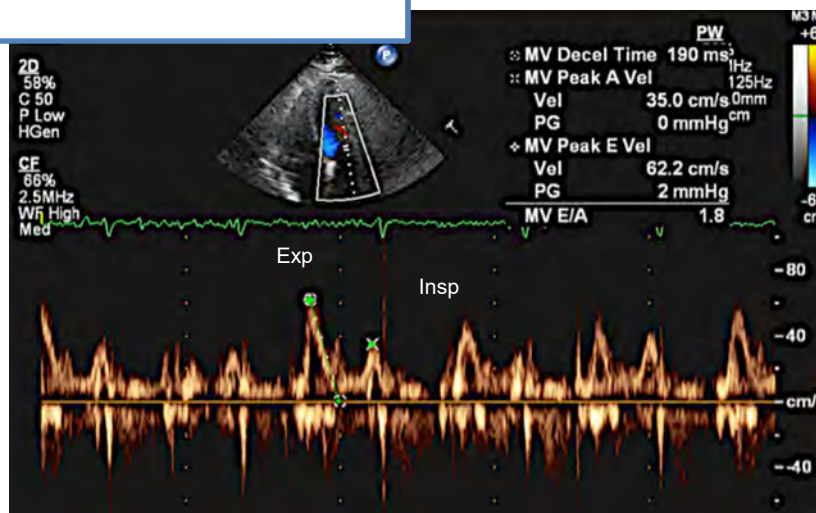
Prince of Wales Hospital  
Division of Cardiology  
Routine Echocardiography Report

**Request :**  
**MO in charge:** Dr P W Lee  
**History and Physical Findings:**  
? constrictive heart. Repeat Echo

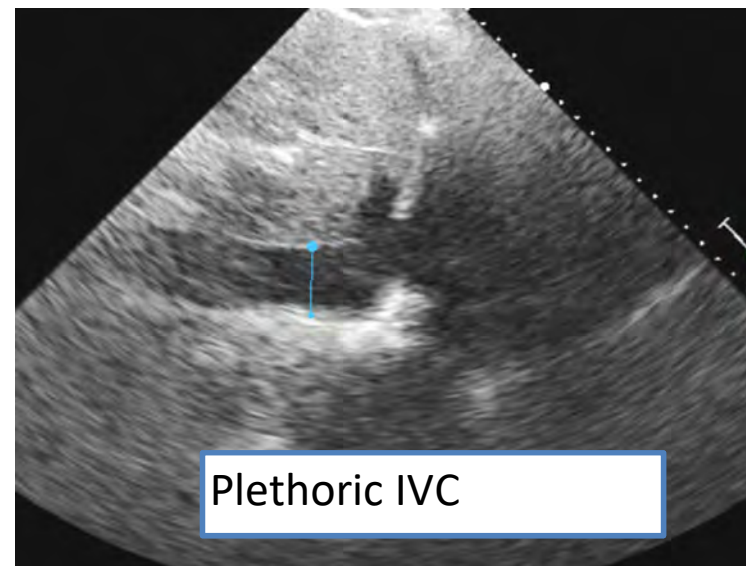
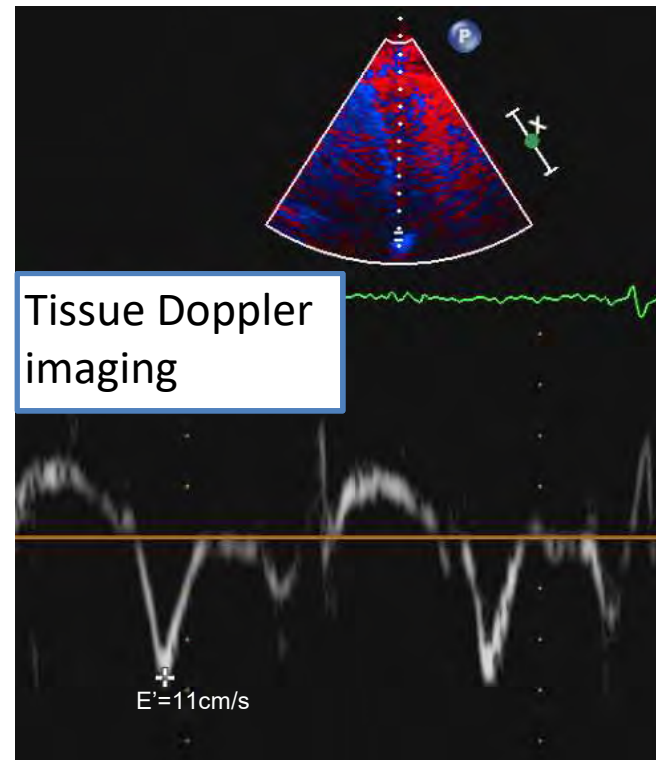
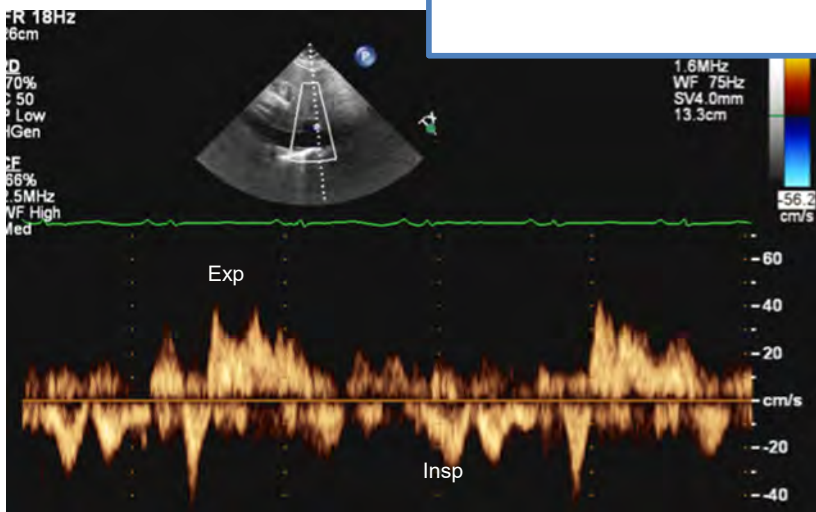
## Contrast echo was finally performed



# Mitral inflow Doppler



# Hepatic vein Doppler





### **Comments:**

There are echo findings suggestive of pericardial constriction:

Paradoxical

septal motion changing with respiratory cycles, inspiratory decrease in mitral

inflow, exaggerated medial E'=11cm/s, expiratory diastolic hepatic vein reversal, grossly dilated IVC (3.1cm).

The left ventricle is normal in size.

There is normal left ventricular wall thickness.

Left ventricular systolic function is normal.

The right ventricle is normal in size and function.

The mitral valve is grossly normal.

The tricuspid valve is not well visualized, but is grossly normal.

The aortic valve is not well visualized.

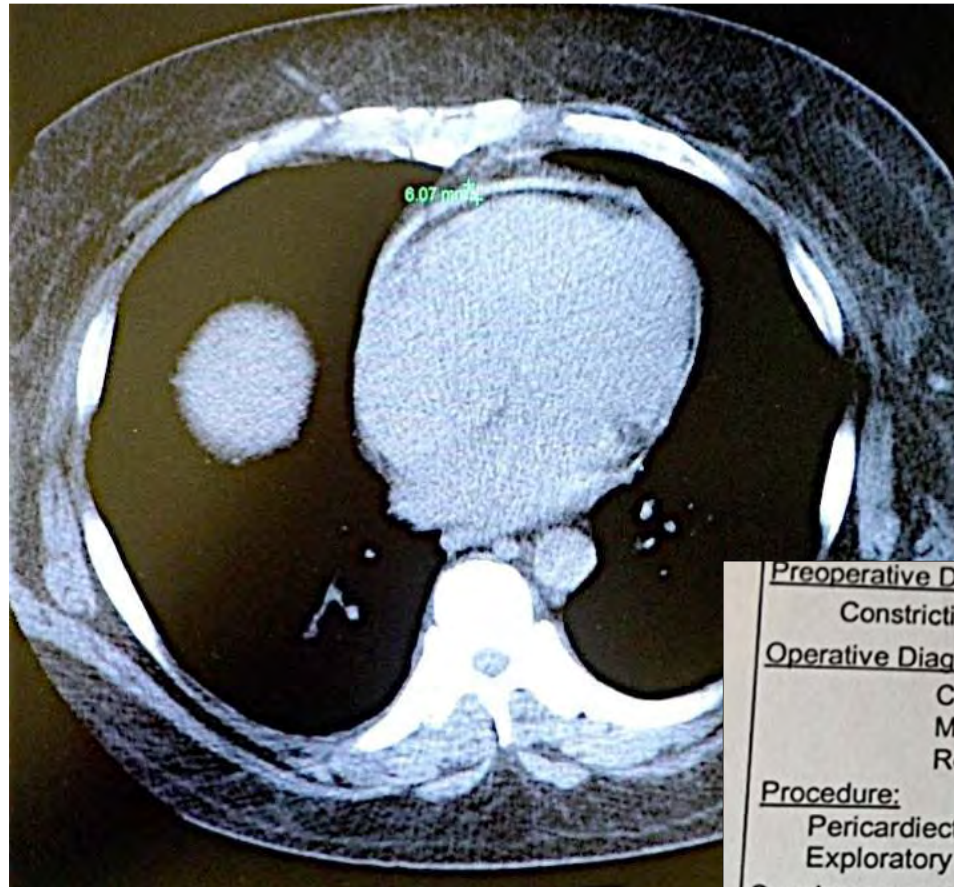
The pulmonic valve is not well visualized.

The aortic root is not well visualized.

**Reported by Dr.:** LEE, Pui Wai (LPW534)

27/5/2010





CT report: Moderately thickened pericardium (6mm)

Preoperative Diagnosis:

Constrictive Pericarditis

Operative Diagnosis:

Constrictive pericarditis (423.2)

Morbid obesity (278.01)

Renal failure (586)

Procedure:

Pericardiectomy (37.31)

Exploratory sternotomy (77.31)

Specimens sent for Pathological Examination:

Findings:

The LV and RV, LA and RA were covered by thickened fibrous pericardium

No pericardial effusion

Marked improvement in LV and RV distension after resection of the pericardium

OT: 13/12/201

Histology report: chronic pericardial inflammation and fibrosis but etiology unknown

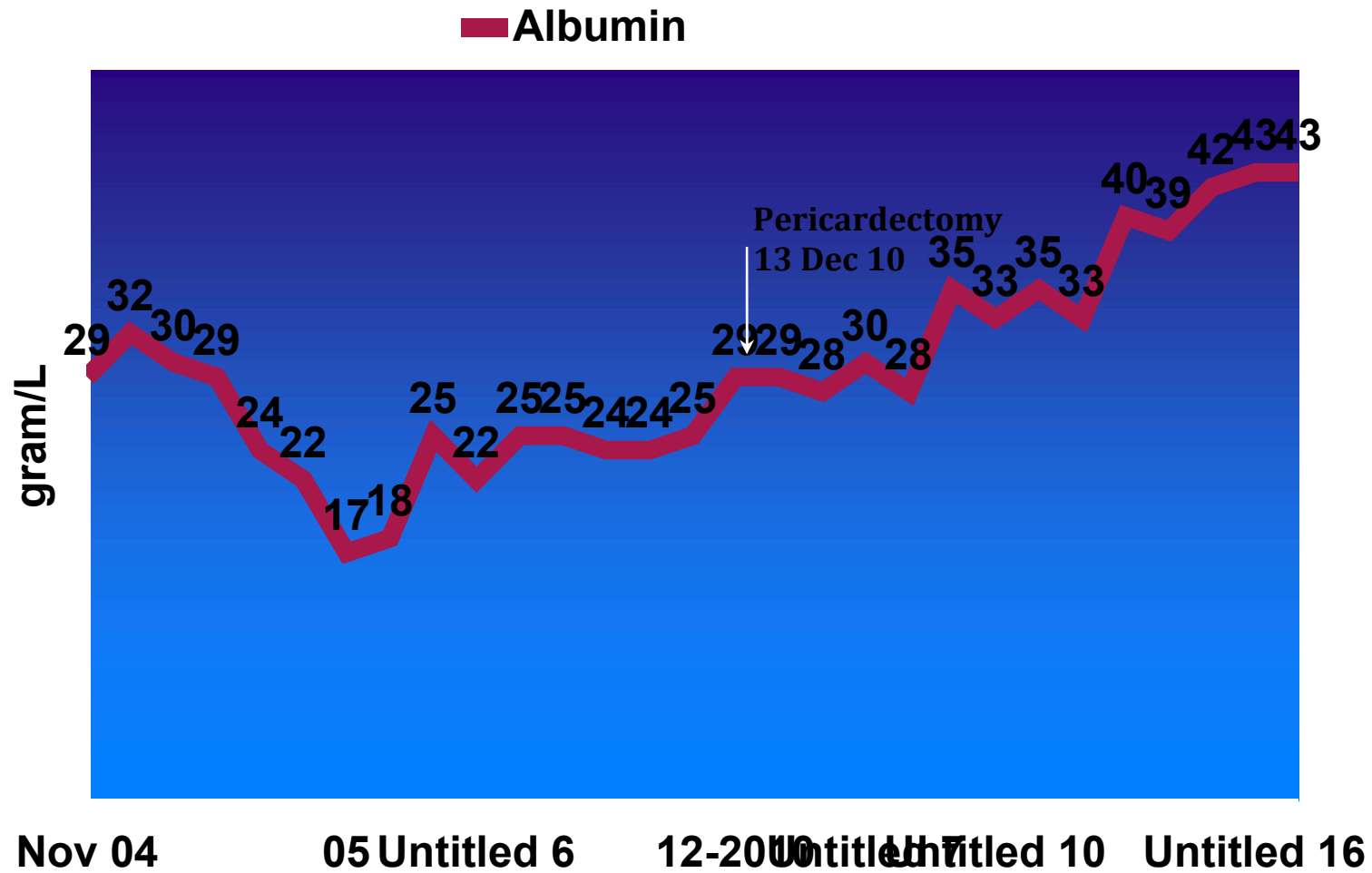


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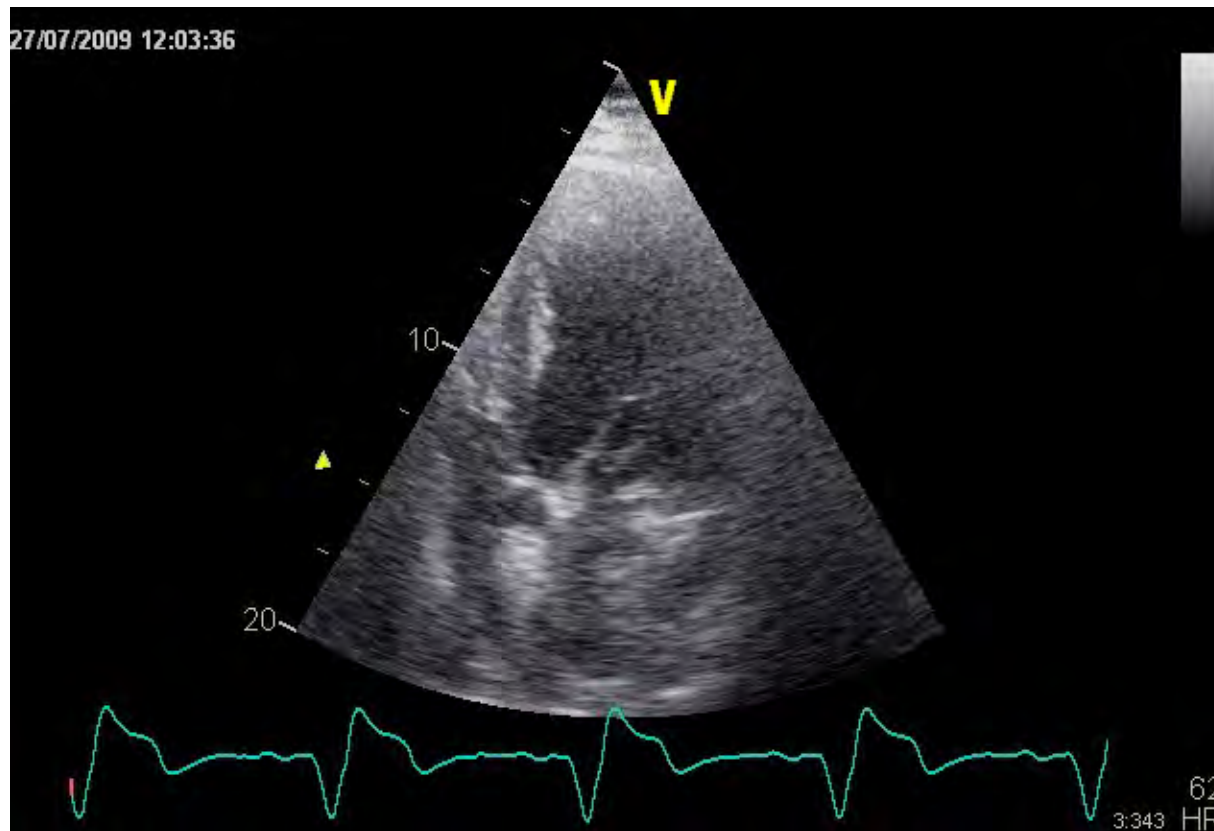


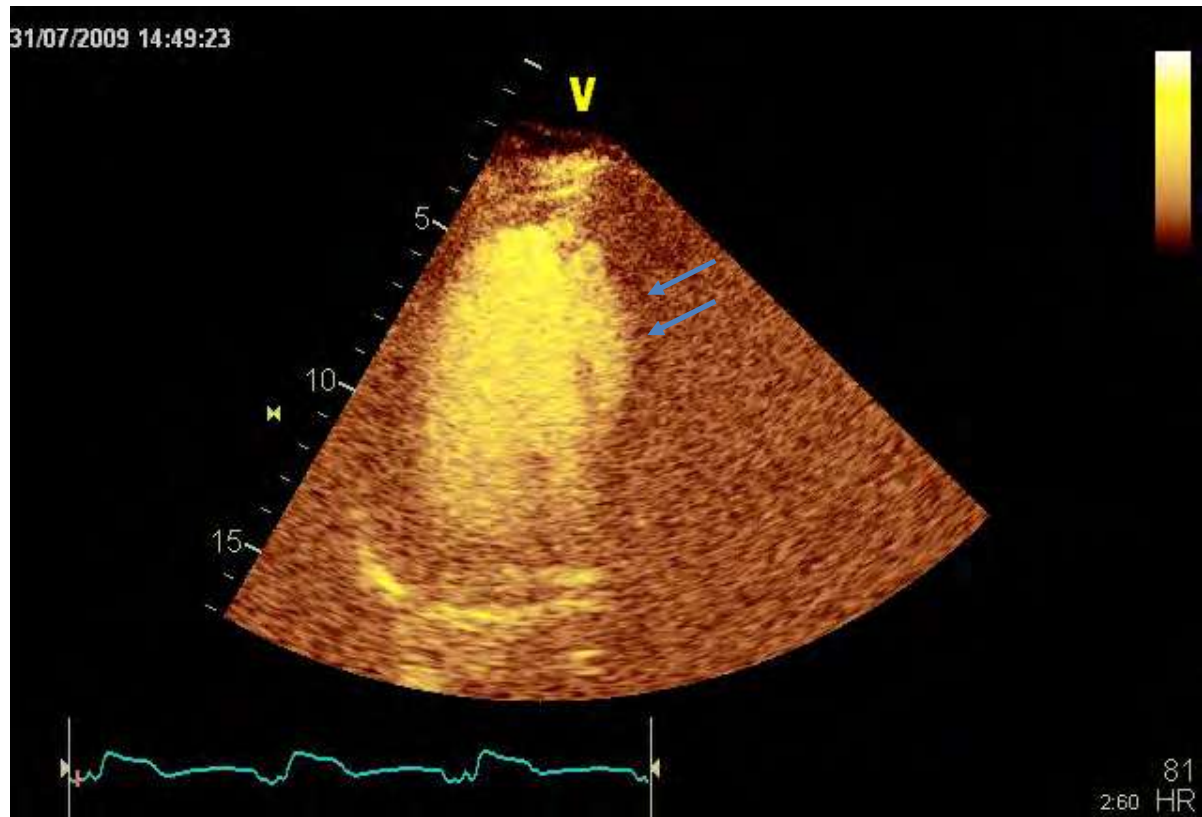
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1. Is the LV function normal?
2. Is there an regional wall motion abnormality?





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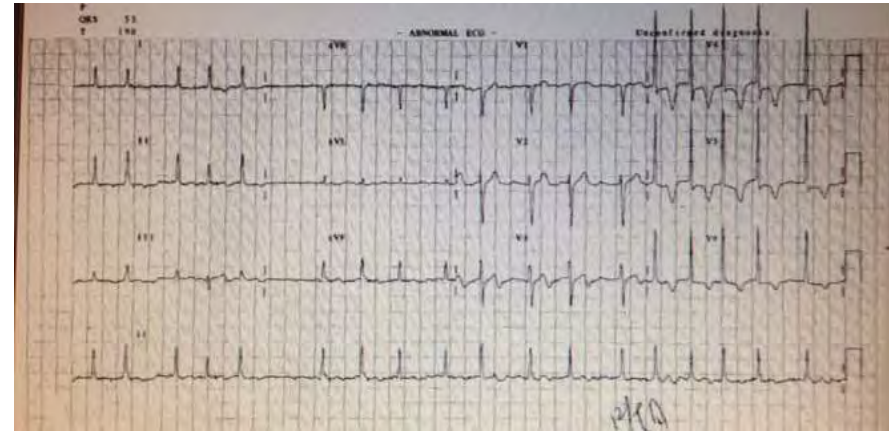
Case 1

M/67

New onset AF

Hypertension

No history of stroke/DM/CHF



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# What is your anticoagulation option?

1. Nothing
2. Aspirin or warfarin
3. Warfarin
4. New oral anticoagulant



# Initial Management

- Offered aspirin or warfarin
- Patient opt for aspirin
- Patient could not afford NOAC and did not want to take warfarin
- Betaloc for AF rate control





# In the subsequent 6 months

- 2 strokes with fair recovery
- Ischemic bowel with resection



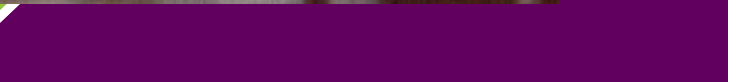
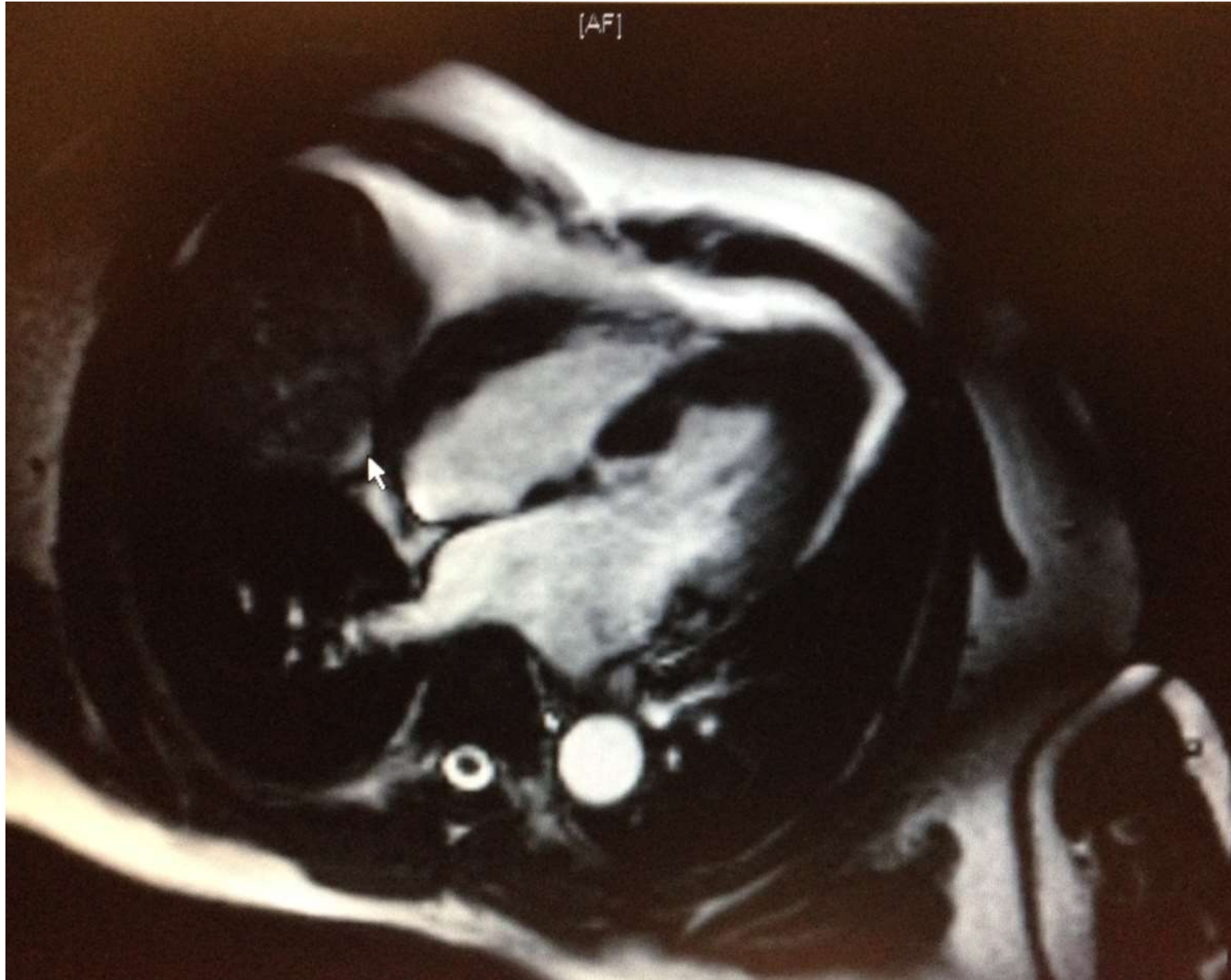


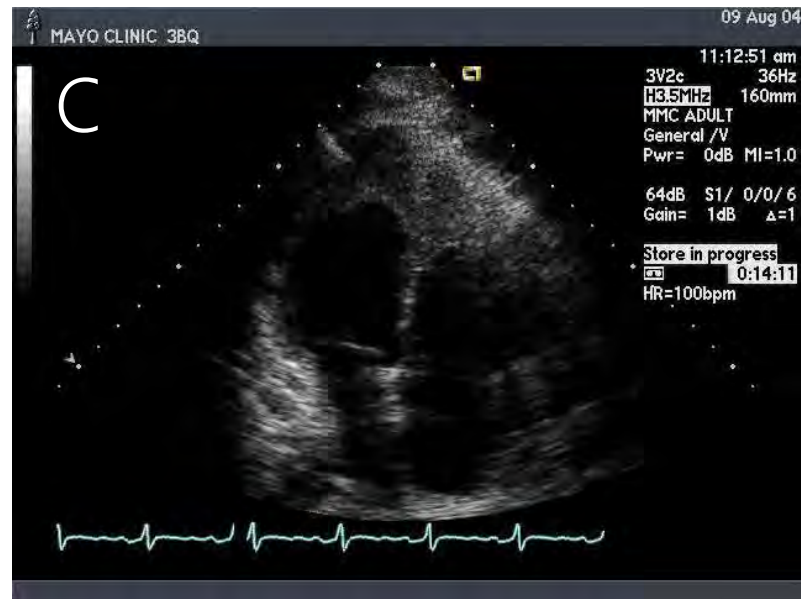
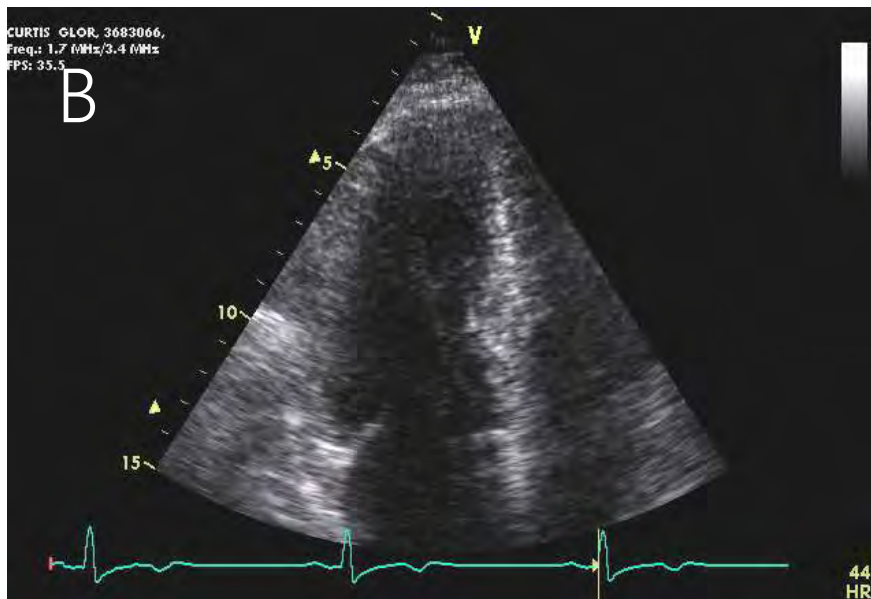
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# Non-compaction cardiomyopathy

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Shortness of breath

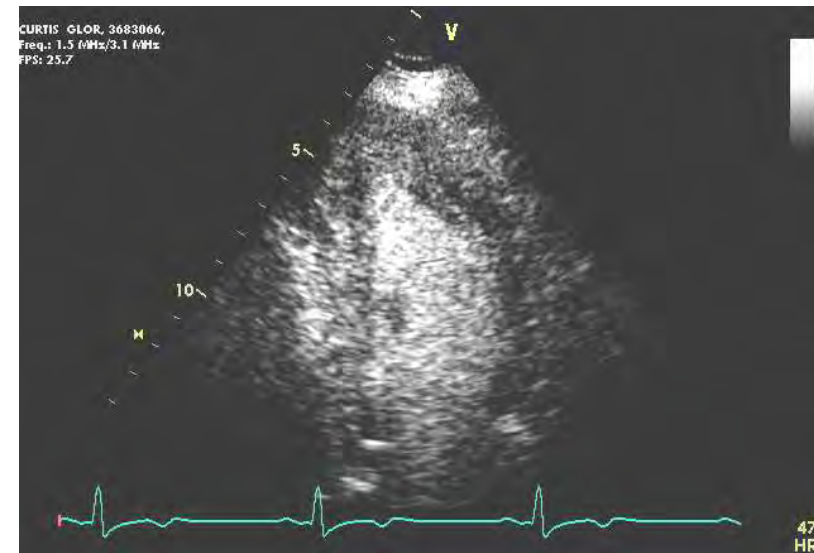
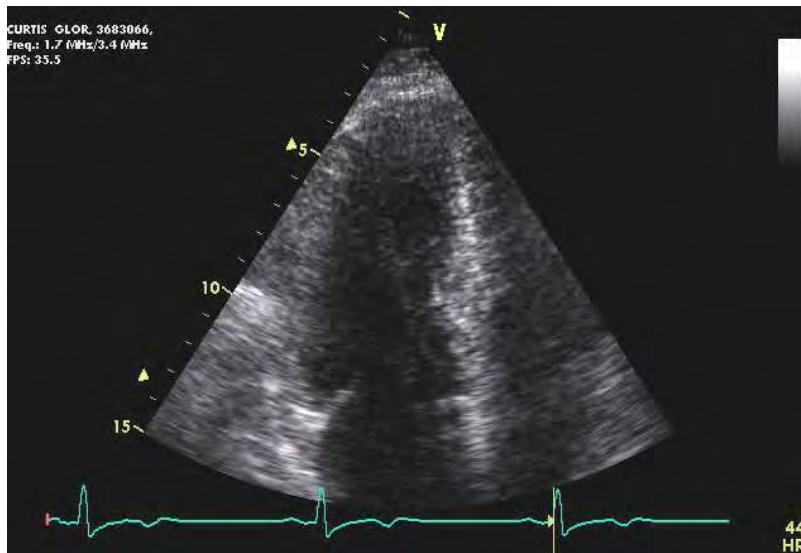


# Apical hypertrophic cardiomyopathy

M/65

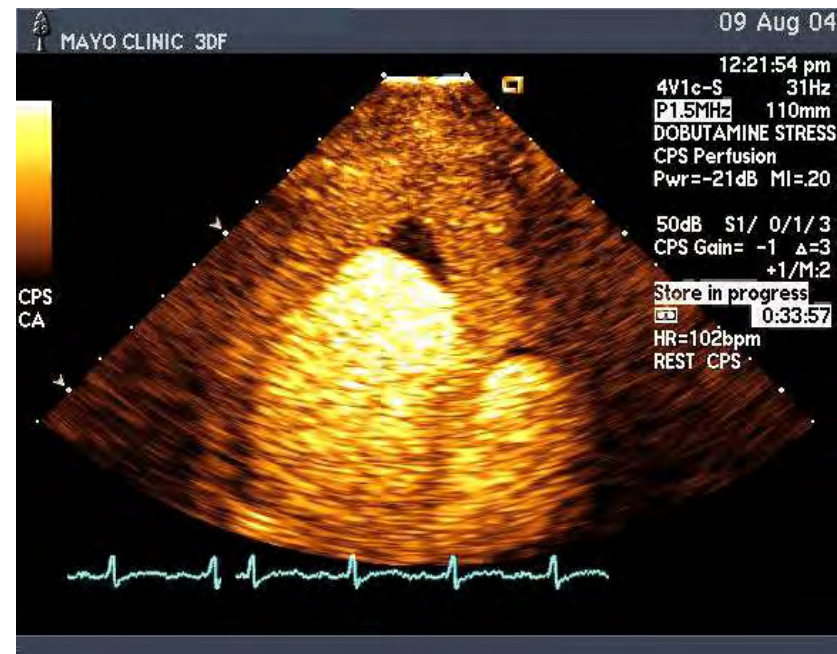
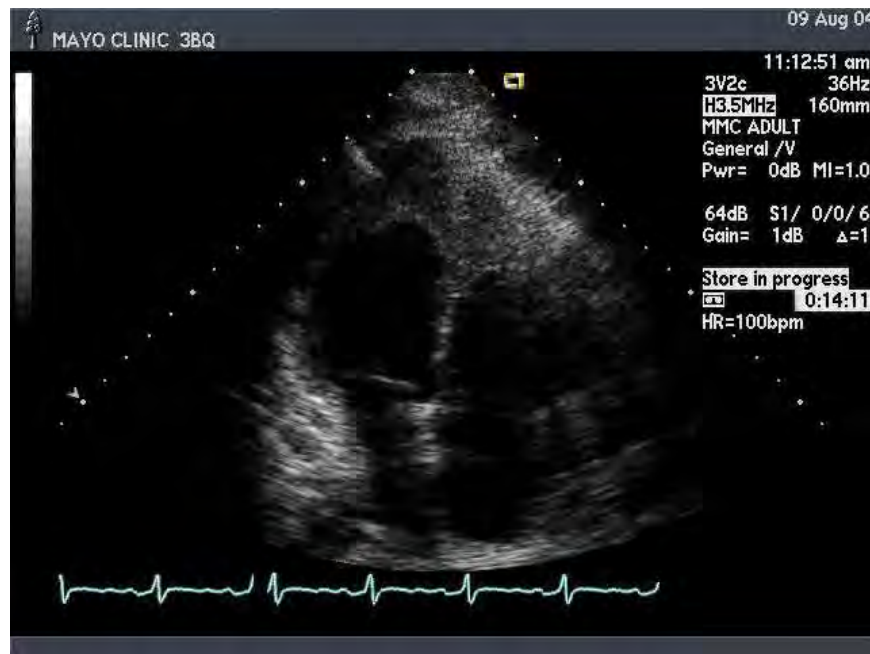
AF

Transient right hemiplegia

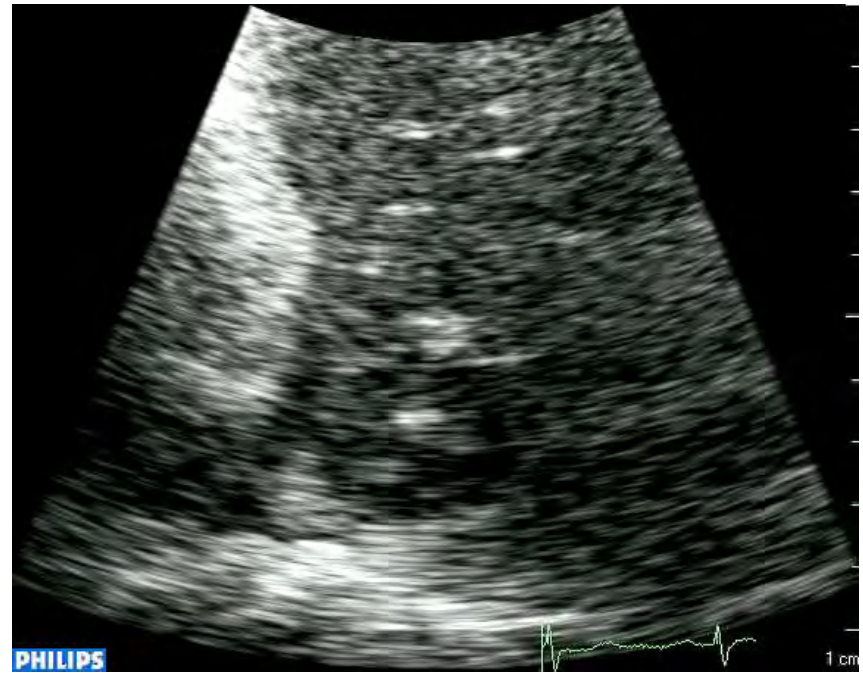
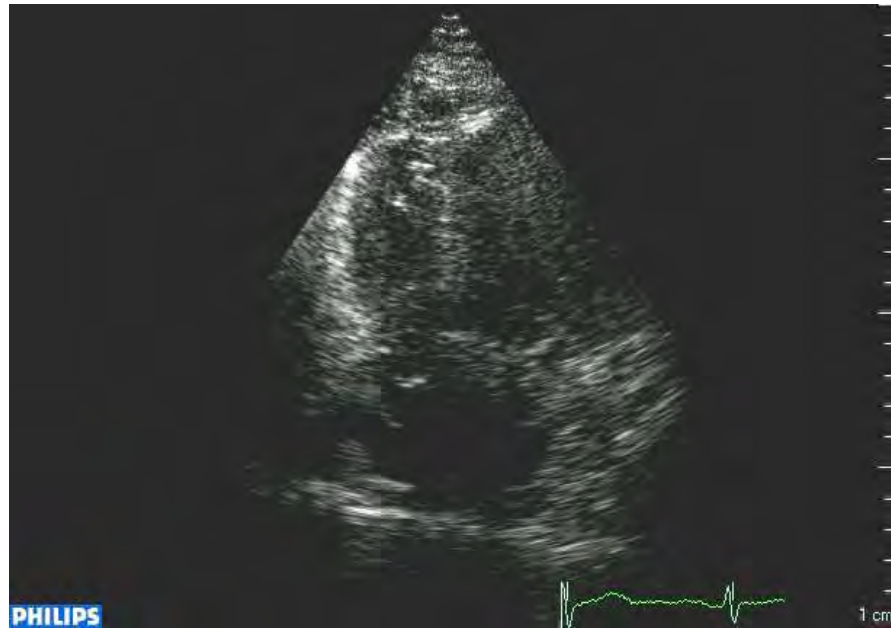


# Hypereosinophilic cardiomyopathy

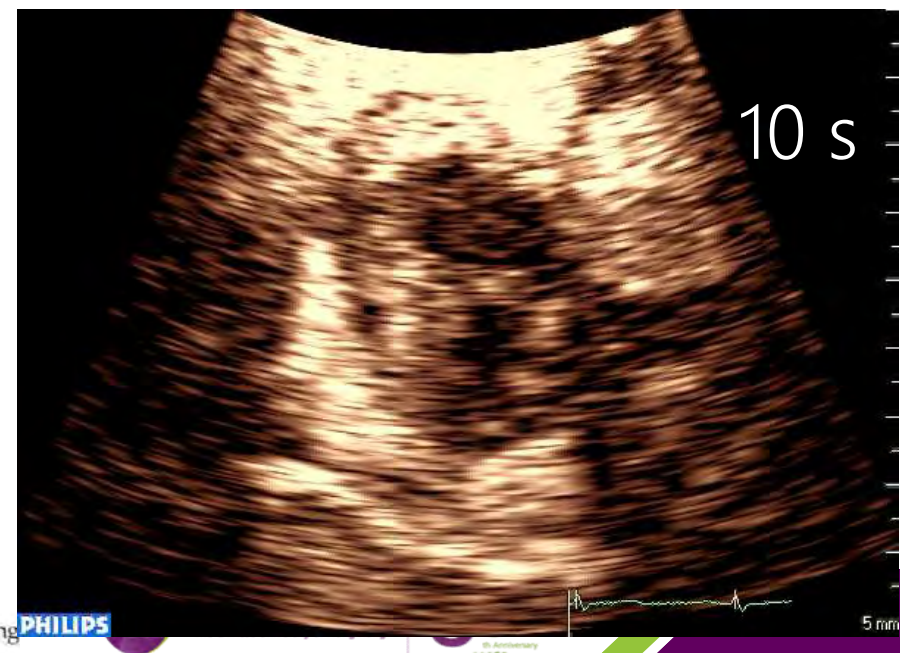
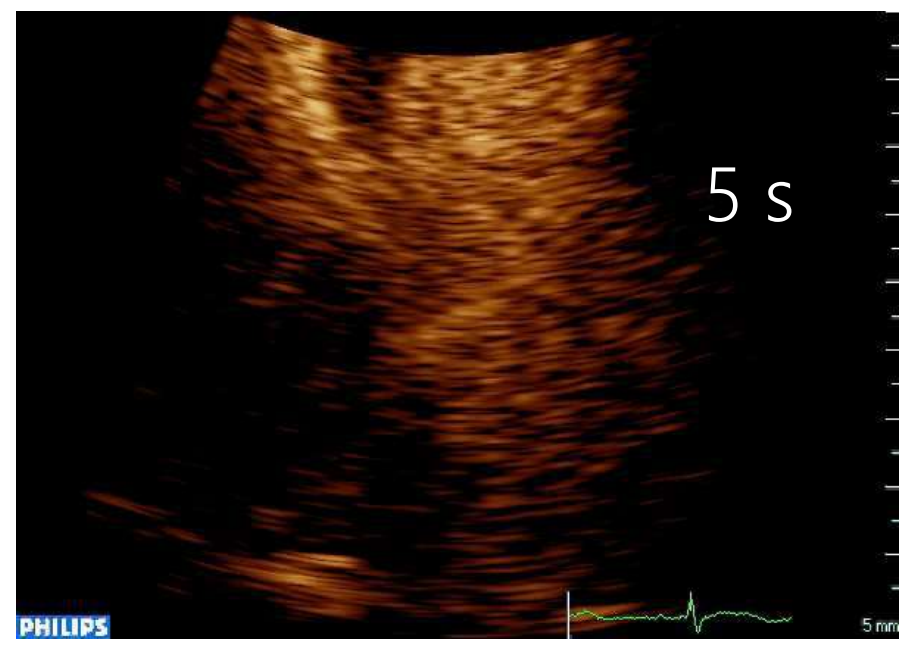
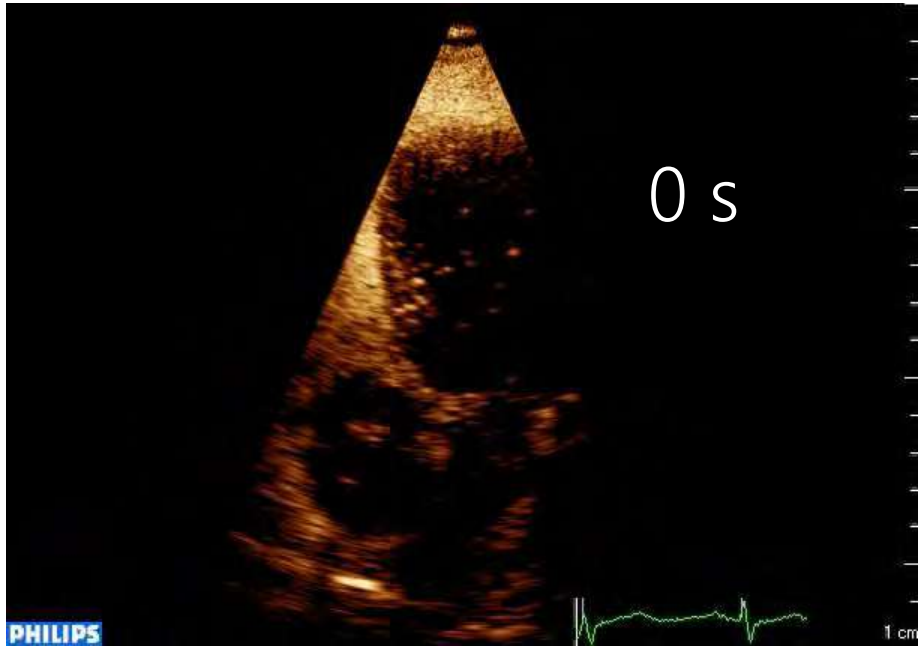
F/42  
Shortness of breath  
Asthmatic attack

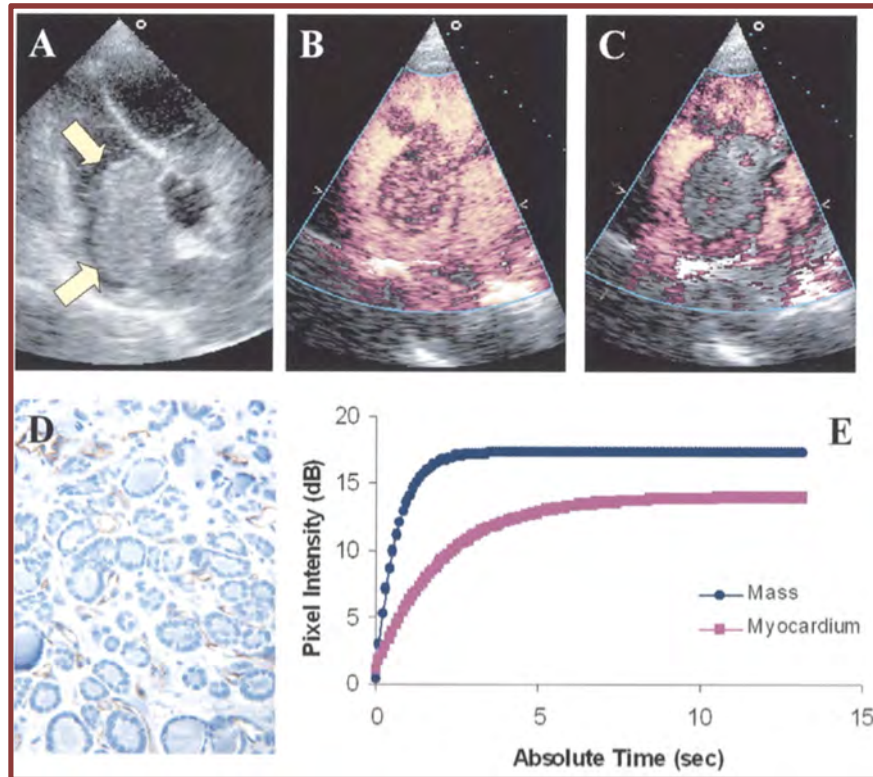


F/72  
Chest discomfort

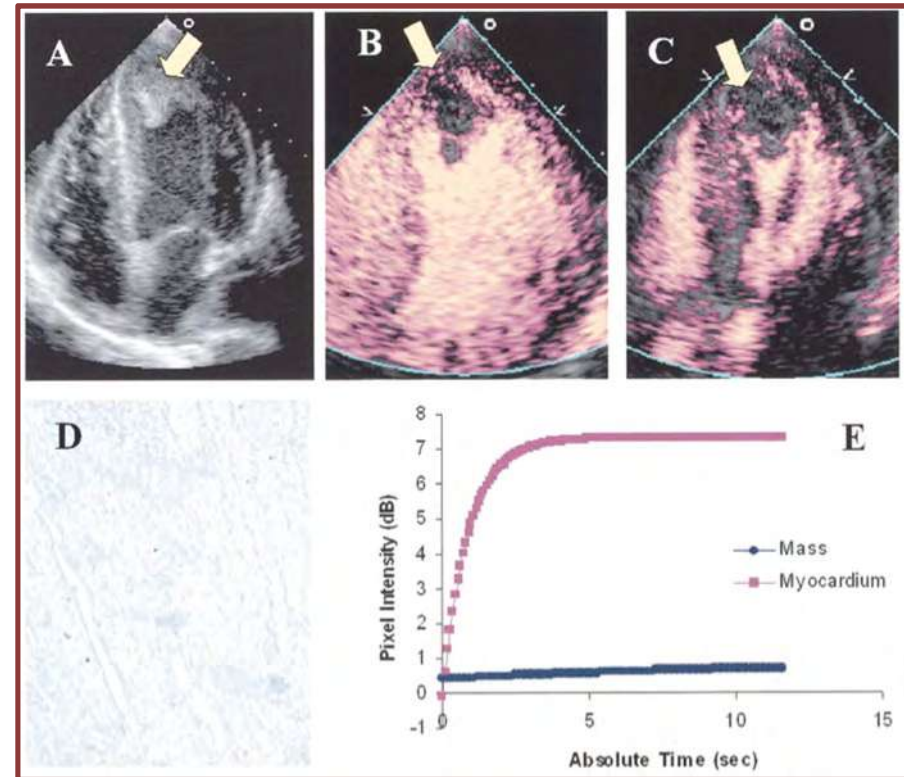








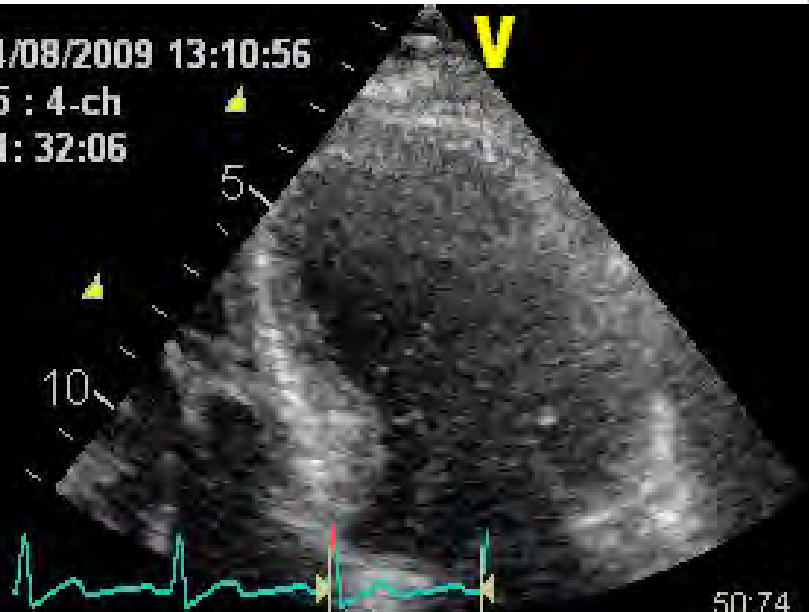
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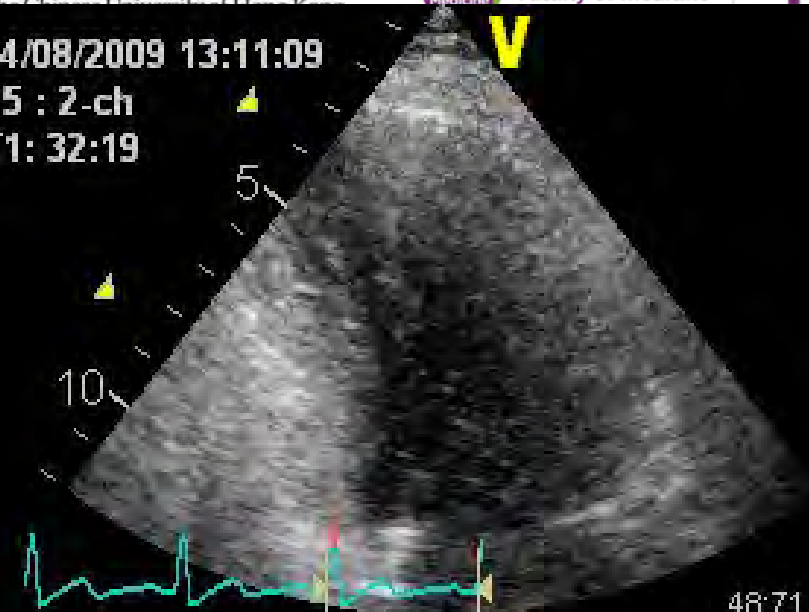
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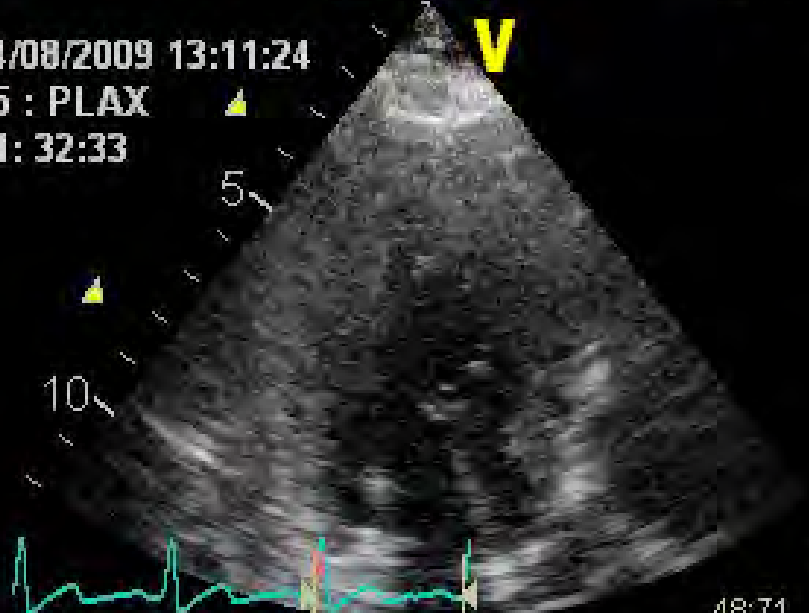
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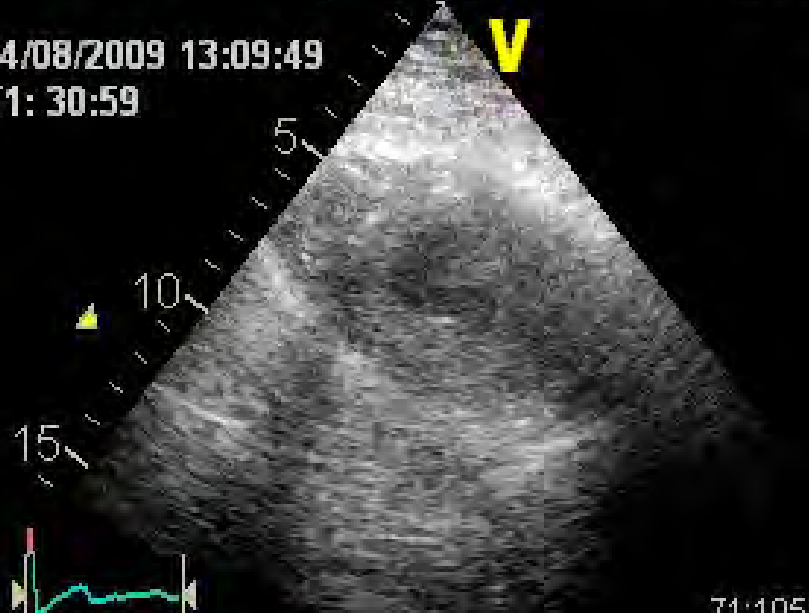
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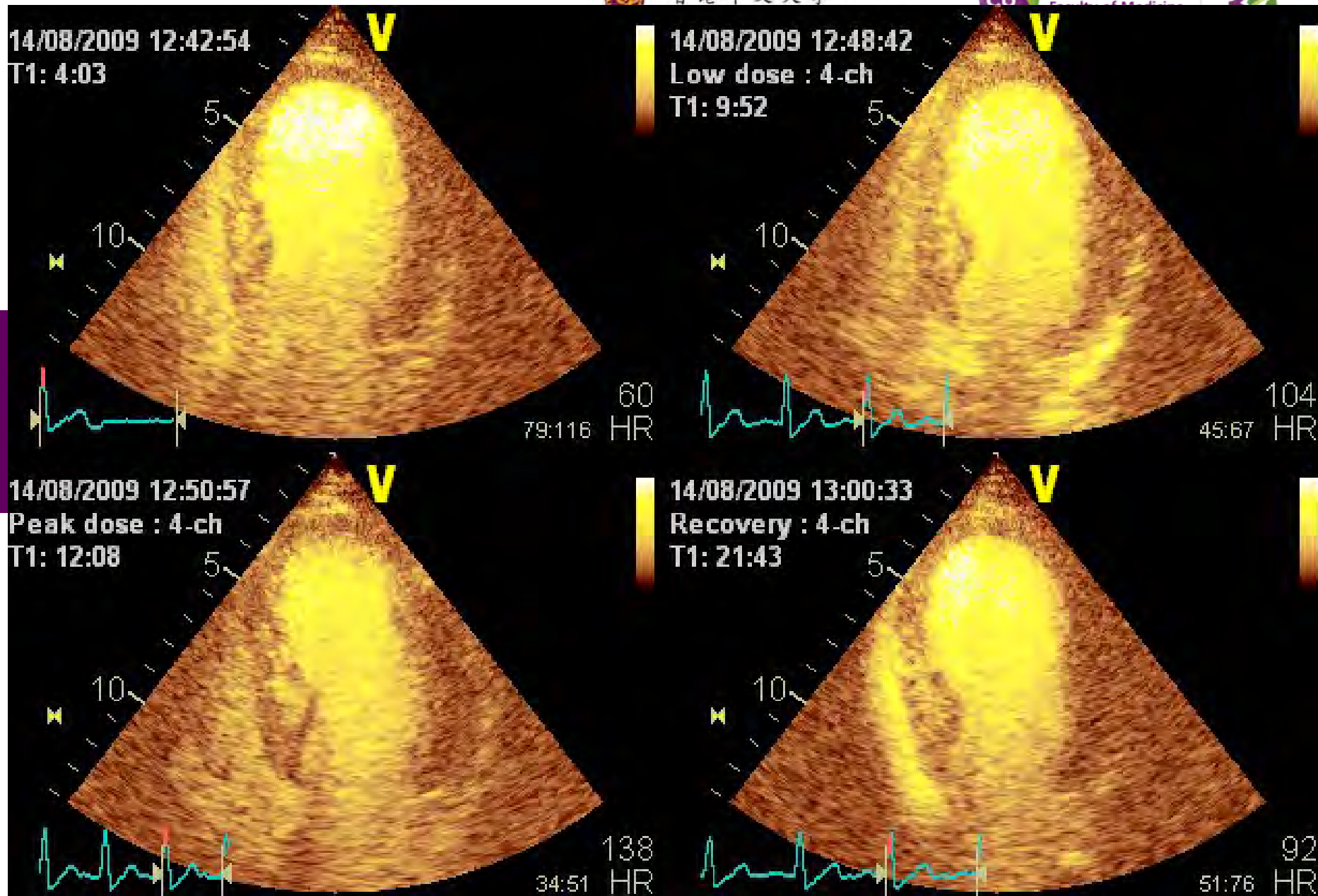


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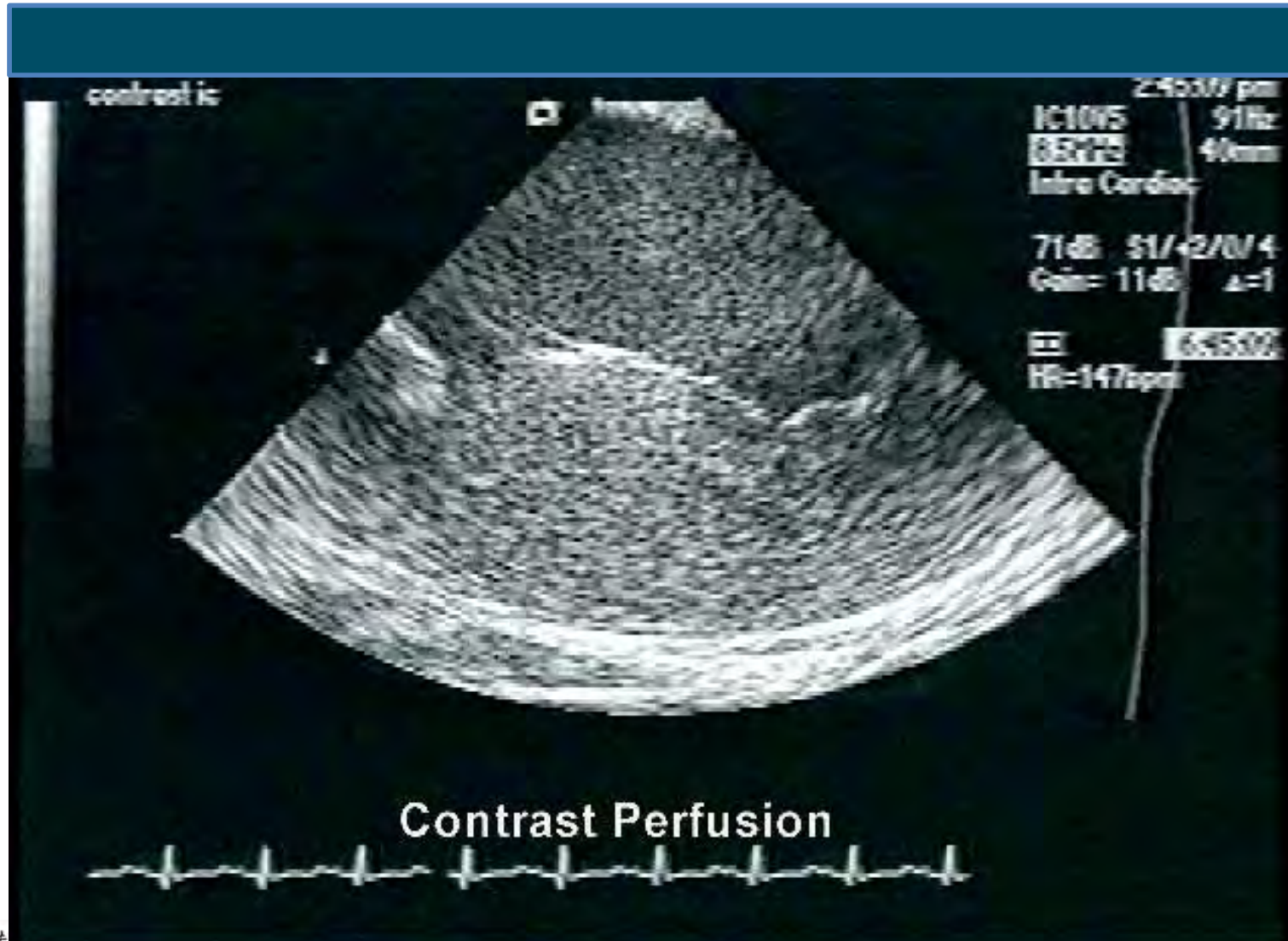


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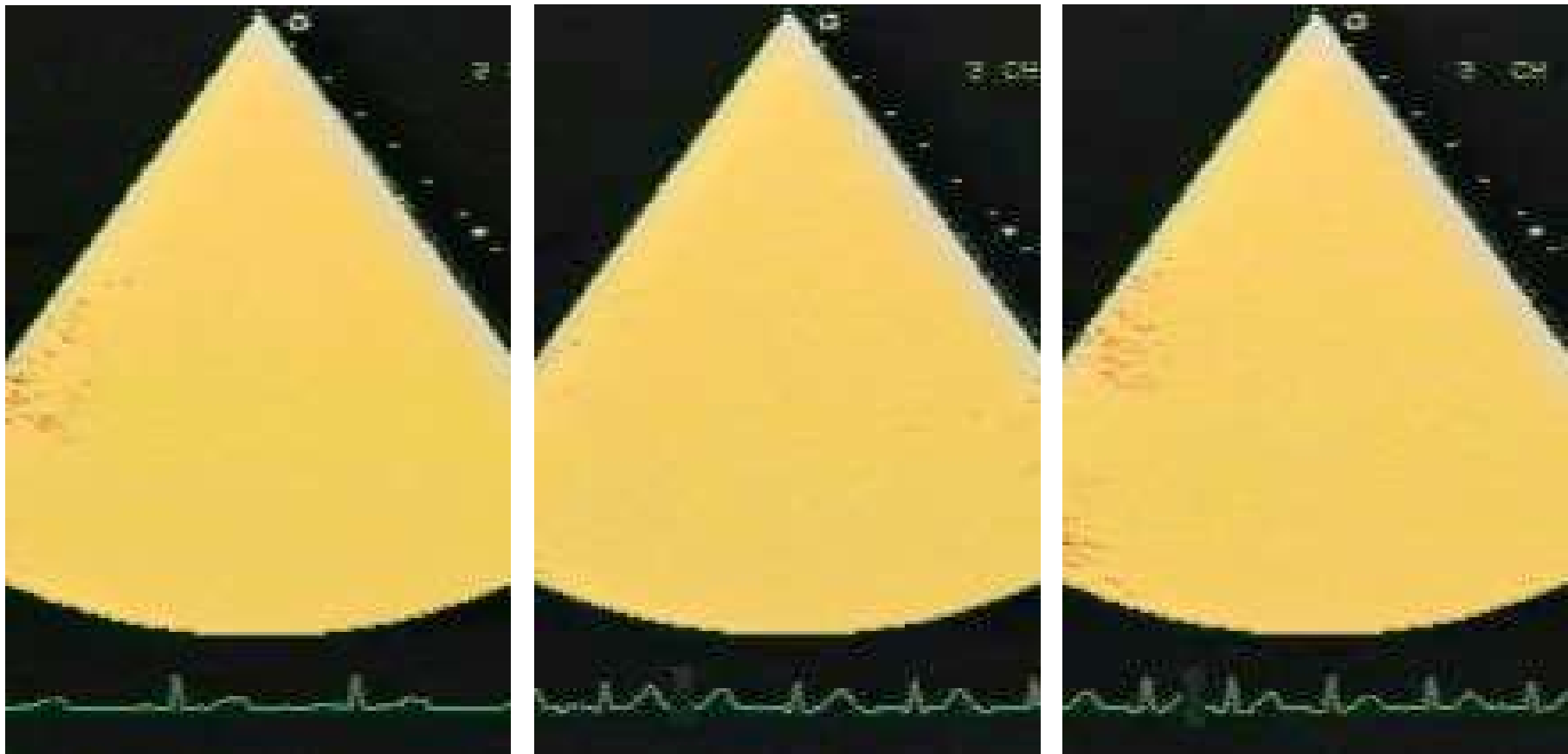


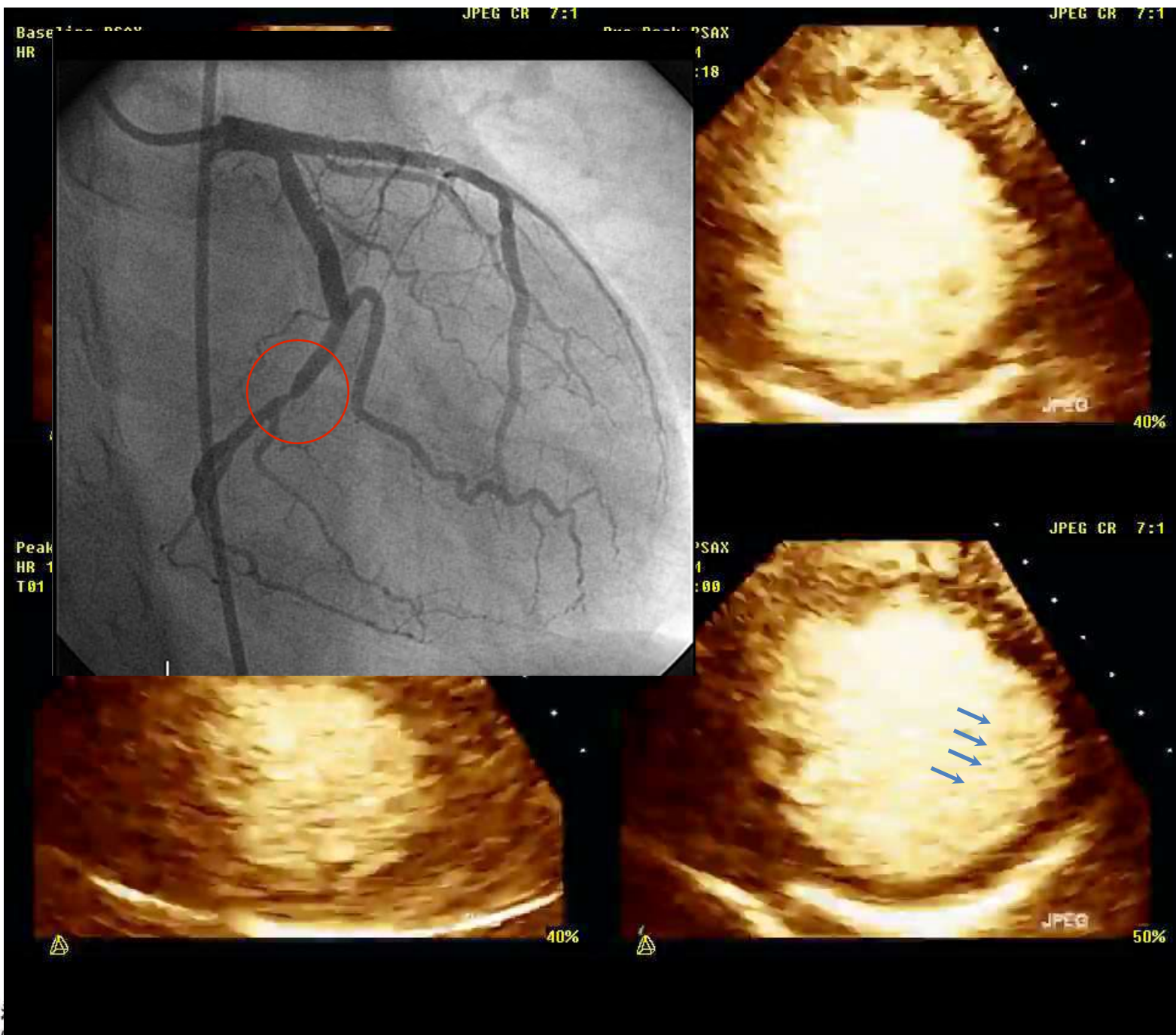


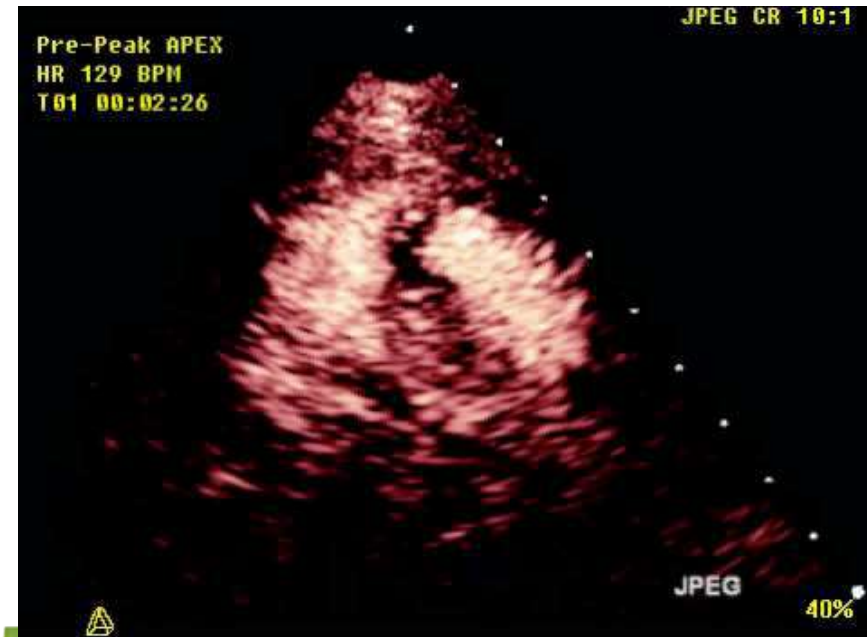
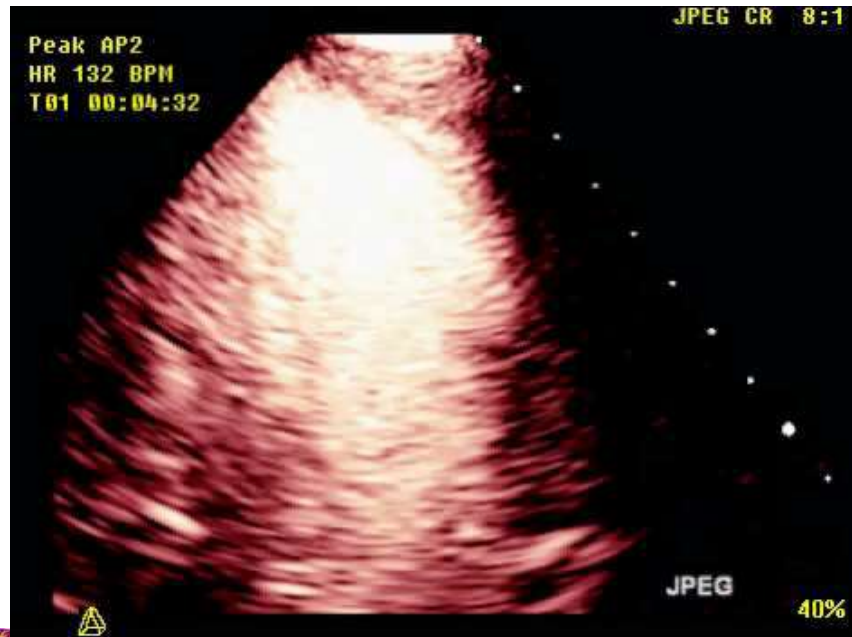
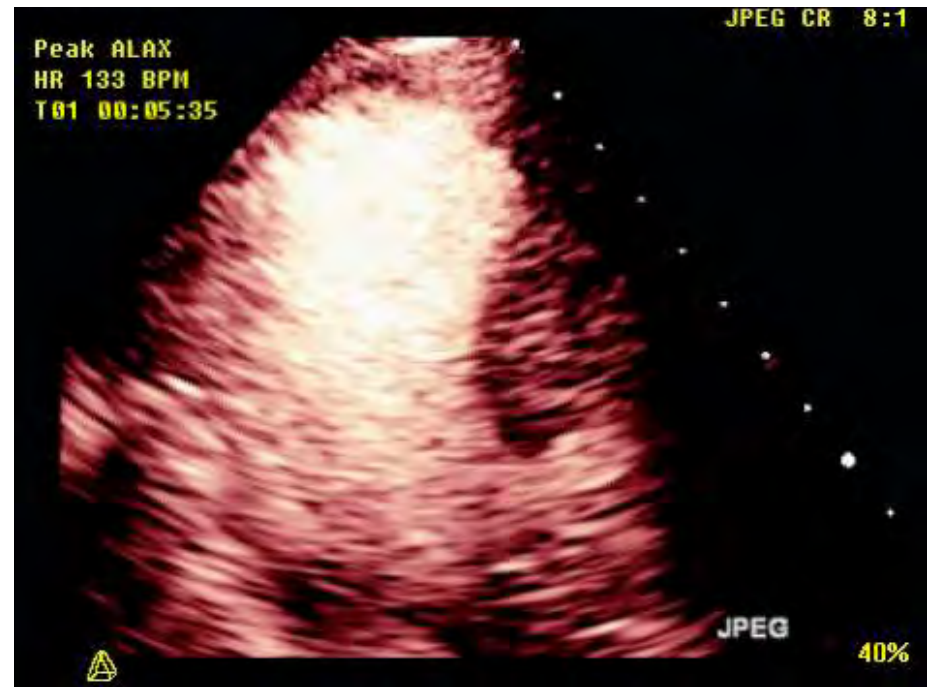
# Myocardial Contrast Echocardiography (MCE)



# Hypoperfusion of LCx territory on MCE

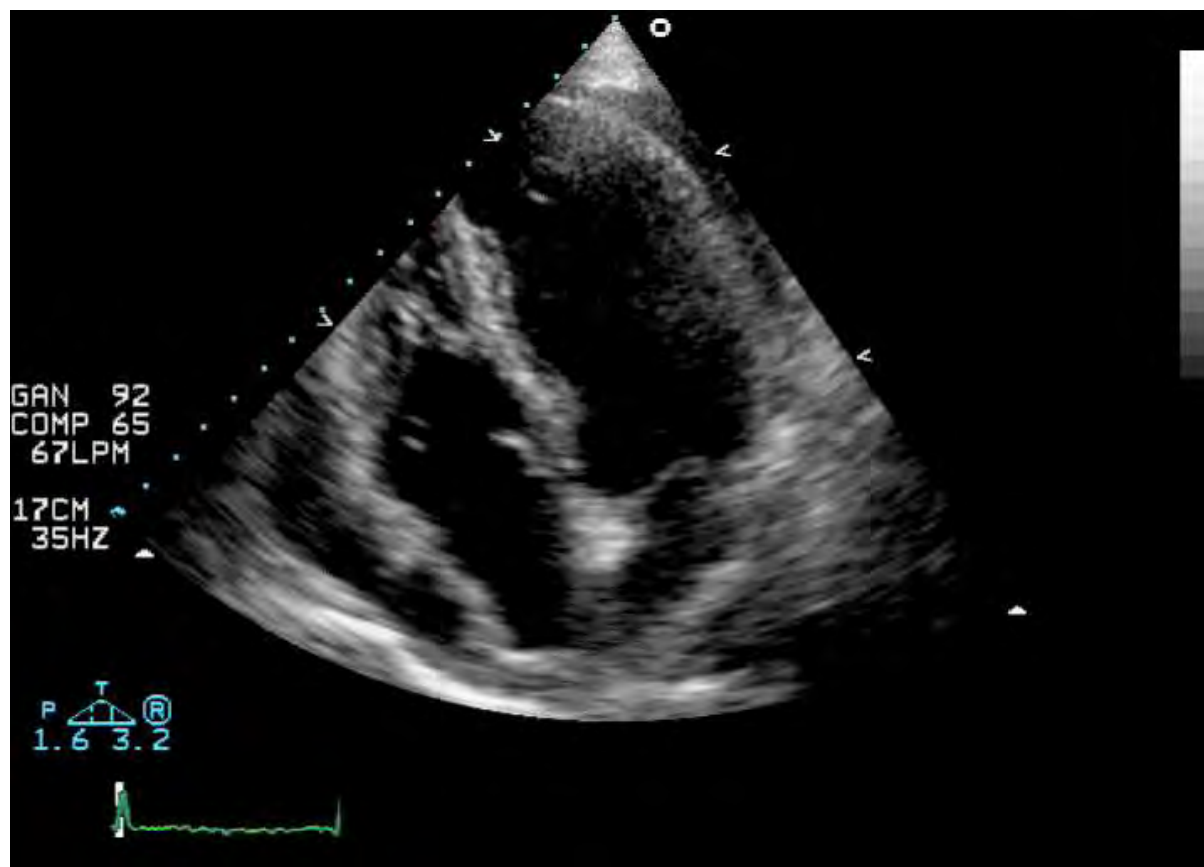


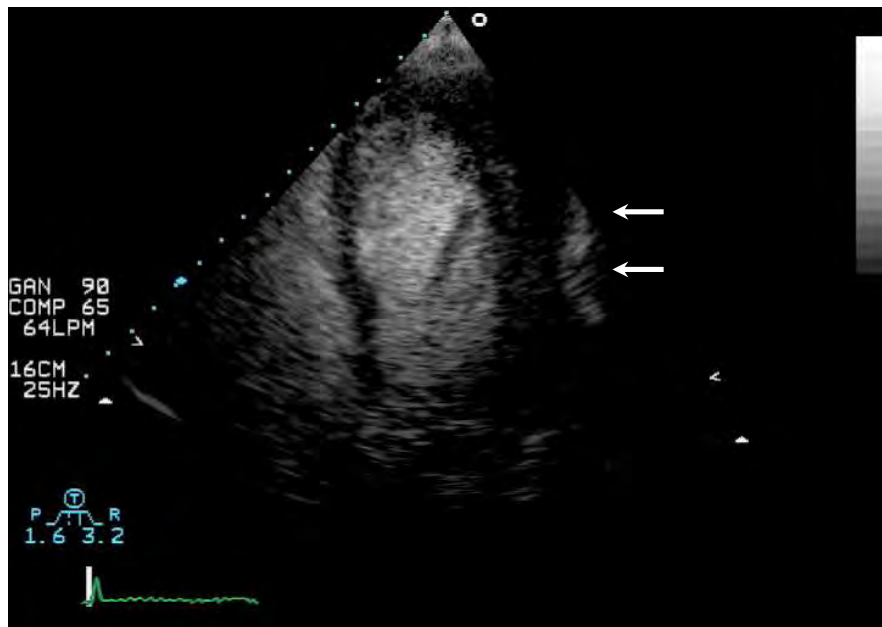






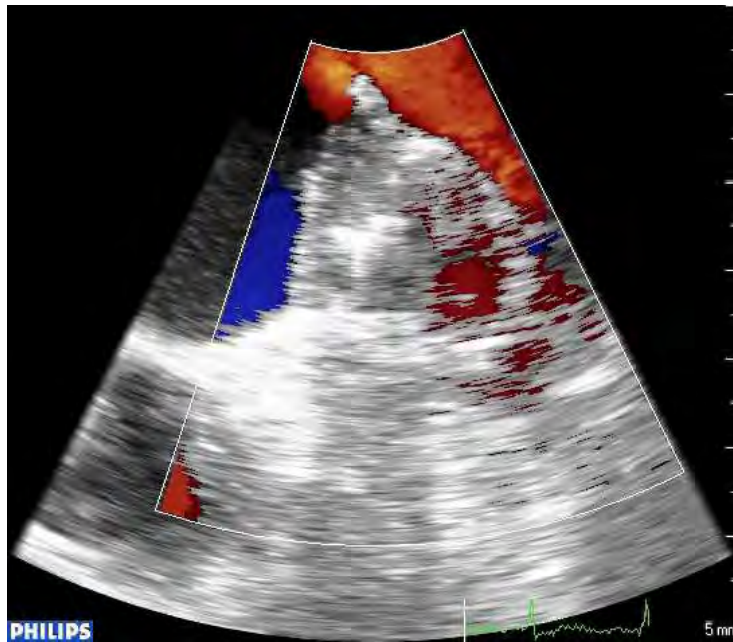
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3 days post STEMI  
Hypotension



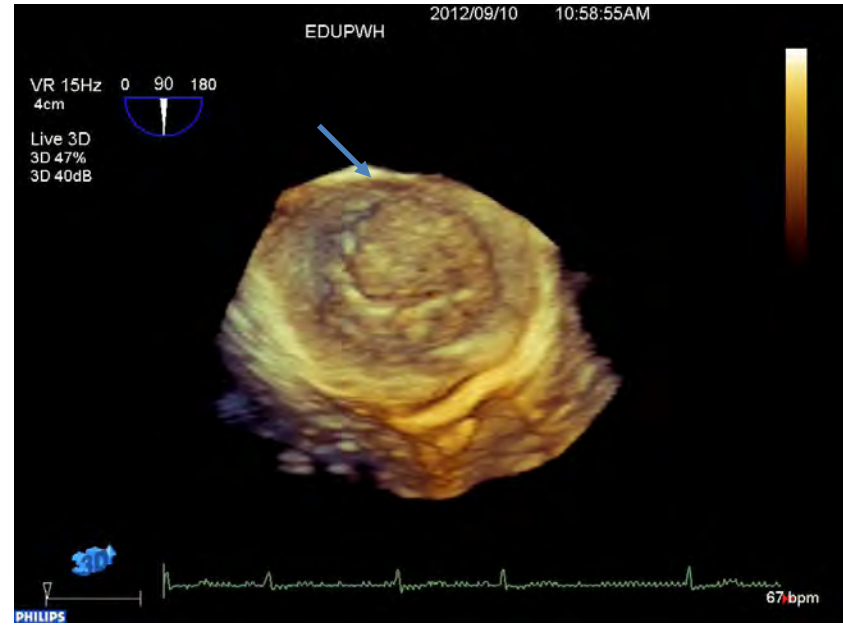
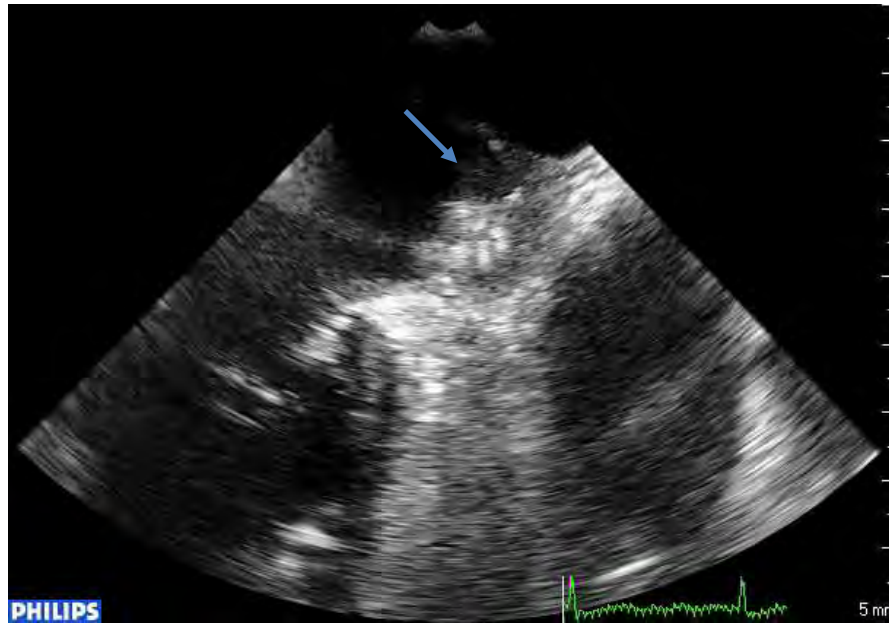


M/81 AF CHADS2=4, HASBLED=4  
LAA occlusion with Watchman  
Day 40 TEE

Persistent LAA opacification with contrast



TEE  
Day 60

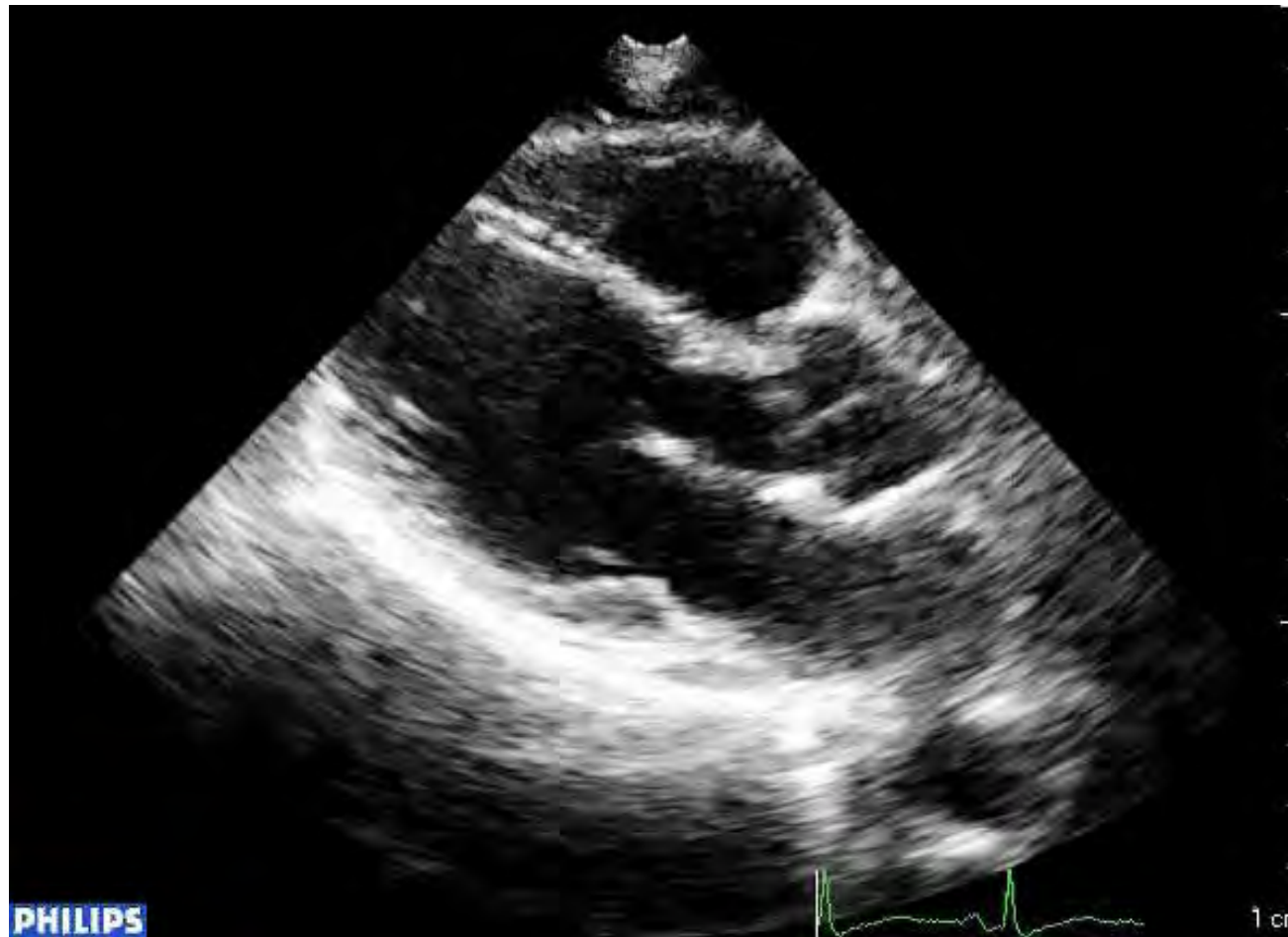


# History

- A 52-year-old woman underwent radiofrequency ablation for paroxysmal AF
- After transeptal puncture, heparin 5,000 IU was given followed by continued infusion
- Activated clotting time ~ 270s
- Became suddenly hypotensive during the procedure



# TTE 1 day before the procedure



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# Focused TTE (performed by electrophysiologist) during AF ablation

- Described: “A large left atrial mass suspicious of a thrombus; pericardial effusion”
- AF ablation was abandoned
- Urgent cardiac CT performed



# CT





# Question 1: Where is the mass?

- A. Inside the LA (intra-cardiac)
- B. Outside the LA (extra-cardiac)



# CT report

- A large ***extracardiac*** mass compression on the LA
- Consistent with ruptured LA with hemopericardium

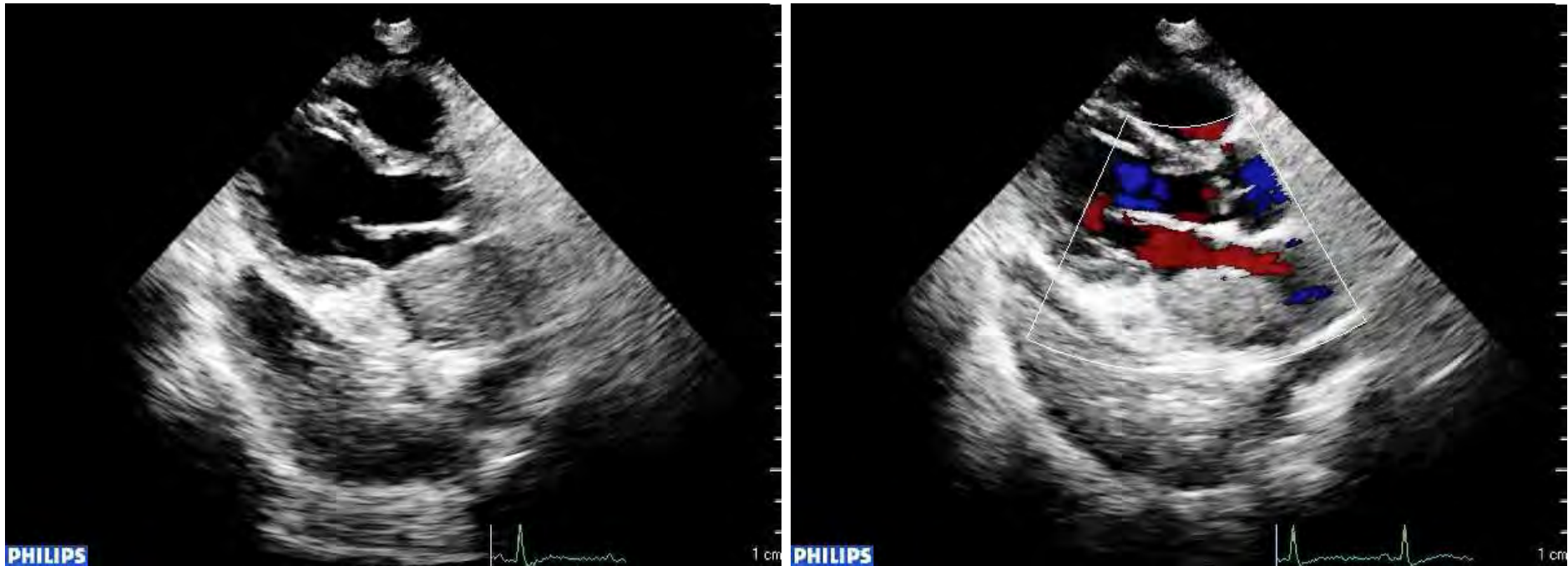


## Question 2: What to do next?

- A. TTE (by an echo expert)
- B. TEE
- C. MRI
- D. Not necessary, the CT findings are definitive, call the surgeon



# TTE 3 days after AF ablation



# TTE 3 days after AF ablation



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# TTE 3 days after AF ablation



Apical 4Ch view

Parasternal basal SAX view



# Question 3: Where is the mass?

- A. Inside the LA (intra-cardiac)
- B. Outside the LA (extra-cardiac)



# Question 4: What would be your anti-coagulation strategy?

- A. Continue anticoagulation
- B. Stop anticoagulation



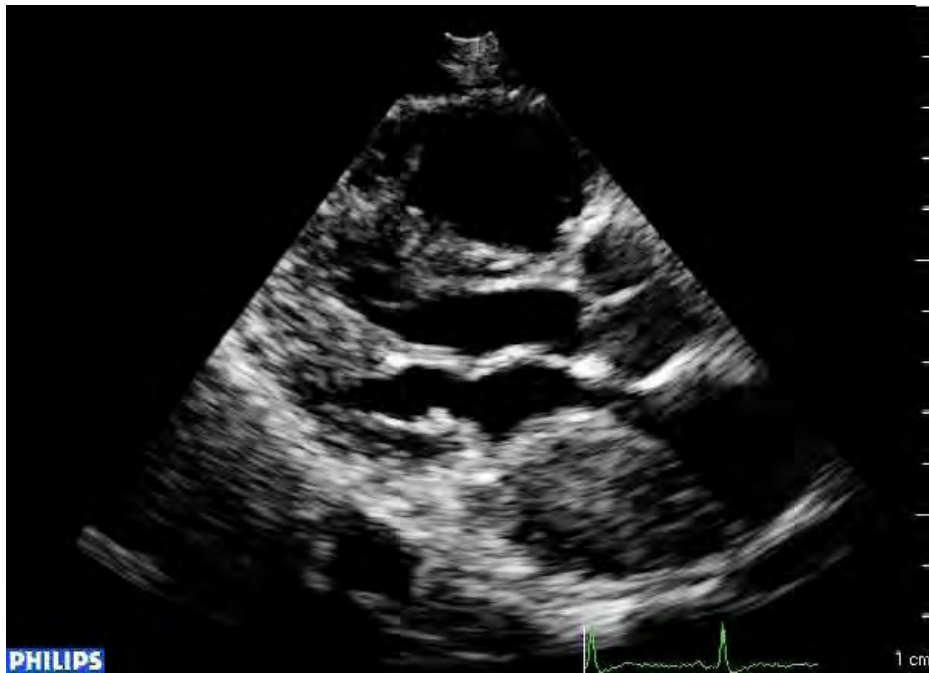


# Progress

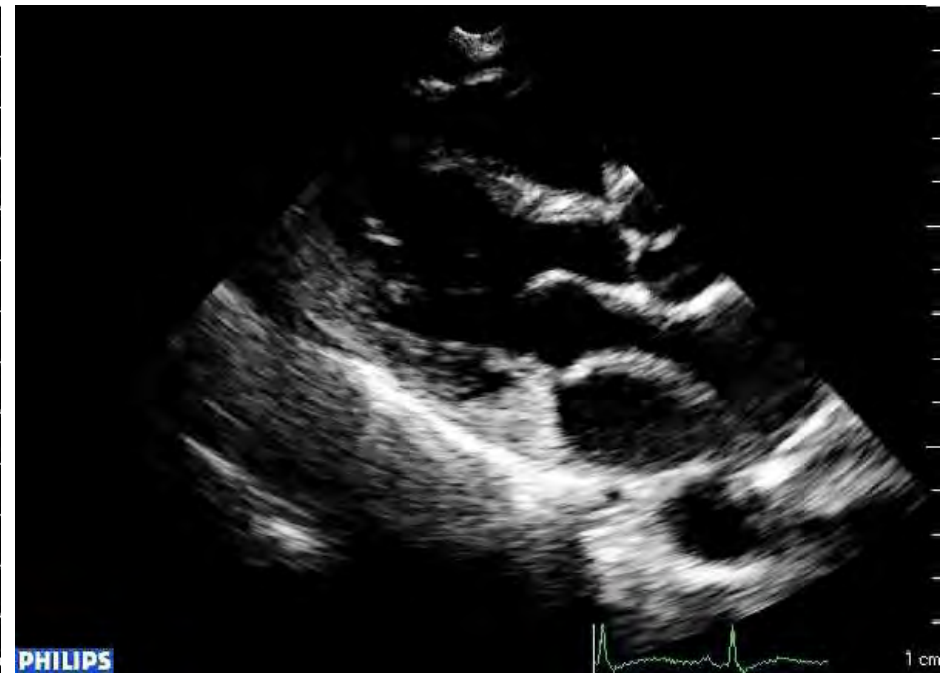
- Based on clinical consideration and the imaging findings, a certain diagnosis was made and anticoagulation was stopped



# Follow-up TTE 2 weeks later



3 days after AF ablation



2 weeks after AF ablation



# Follow-up TTE 2 weeks later



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# Contrast (Sonovue) echo



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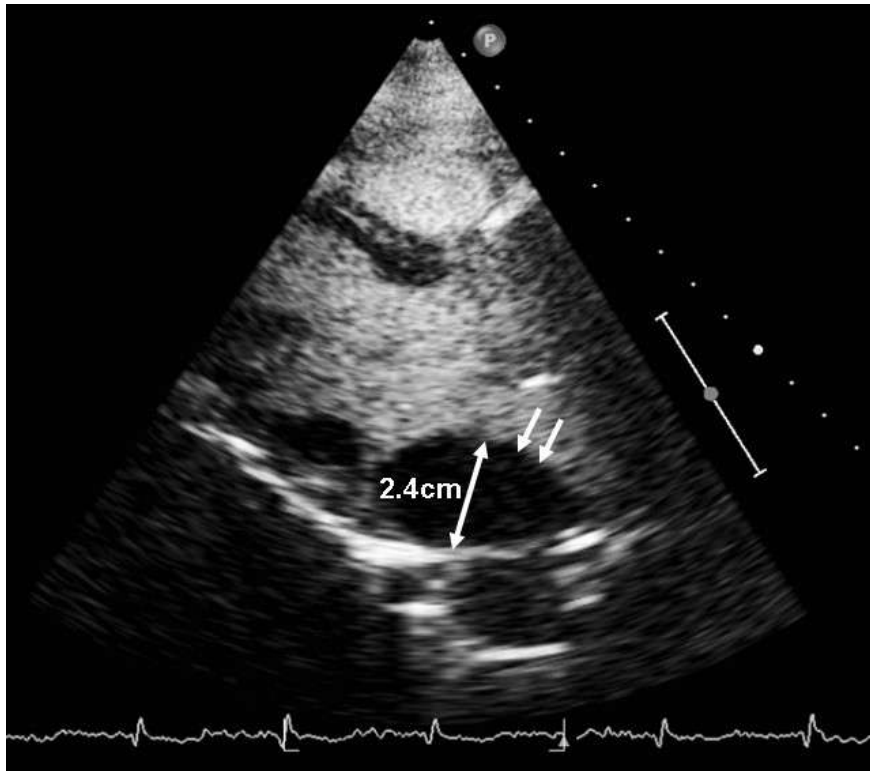


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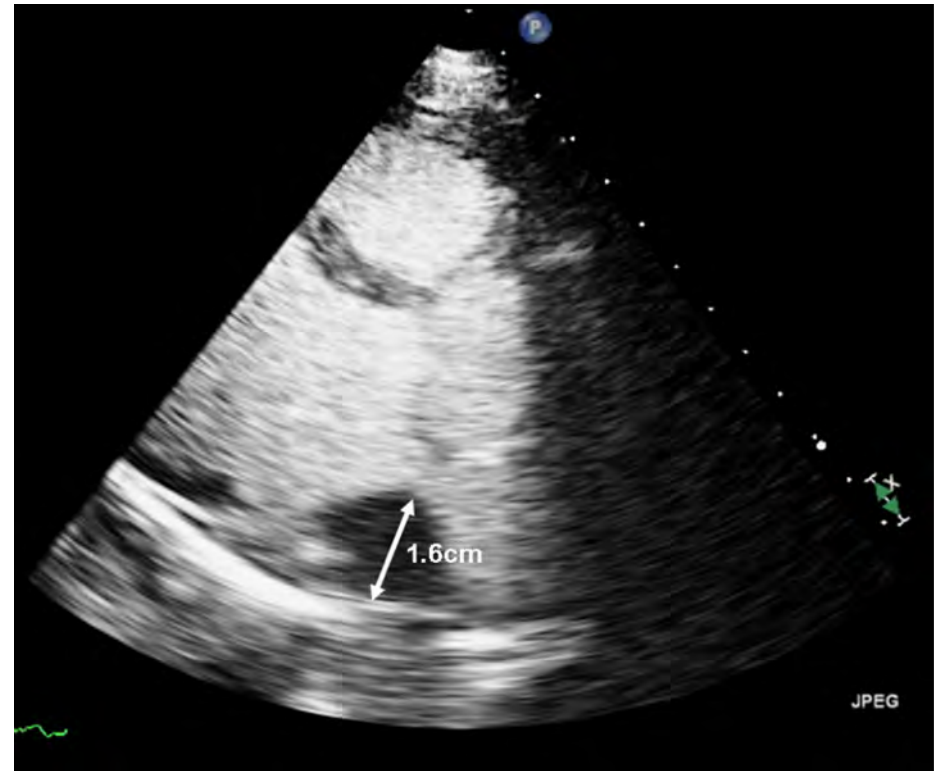


# 3 months later

The cystic structure has significant reduced in size



2 weeks



3 months



# Question 5: Where is the mass?

- A. Inside the LA (intra-cardiac)
- B. Outside the LA (extra-cardiac)
- C. Neither inside nor outside



# Question 6: What is the mass?

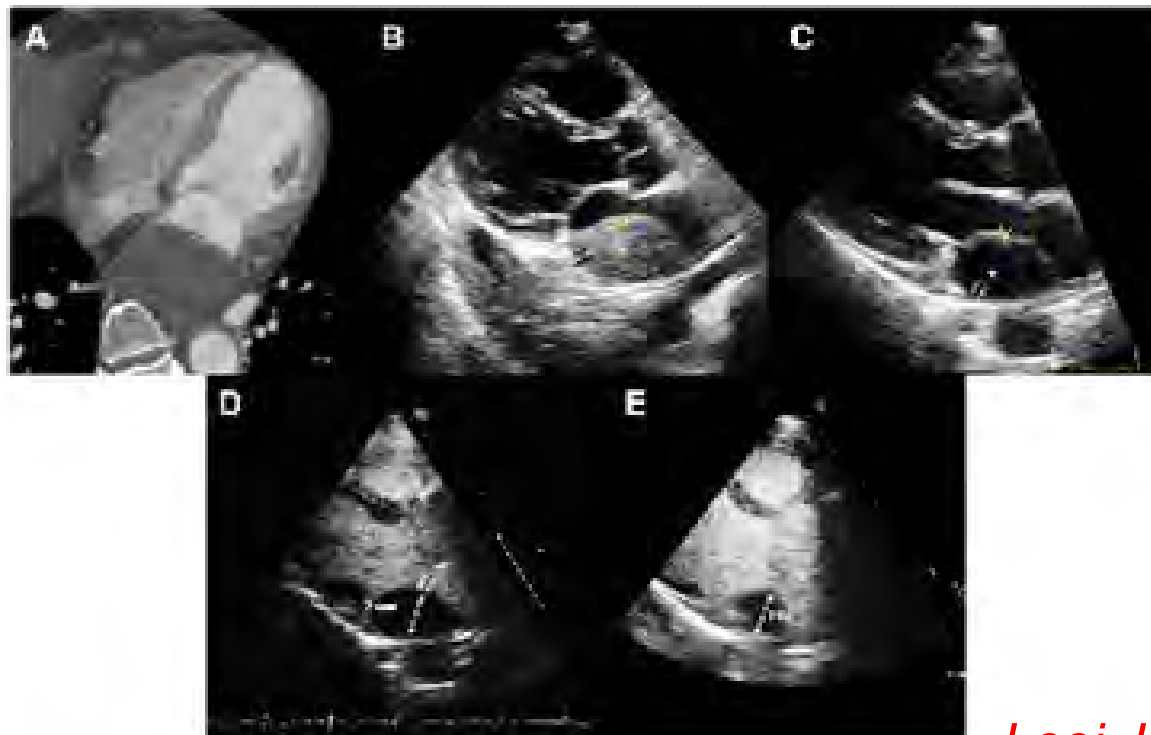
- A. LA thrombus
- B. LA bleeding
- C. LA myxoma
- D. Artefact



## Intramural Left Atrial Hematoma Complicating Catheter Ablation for Atrial Fibrillation

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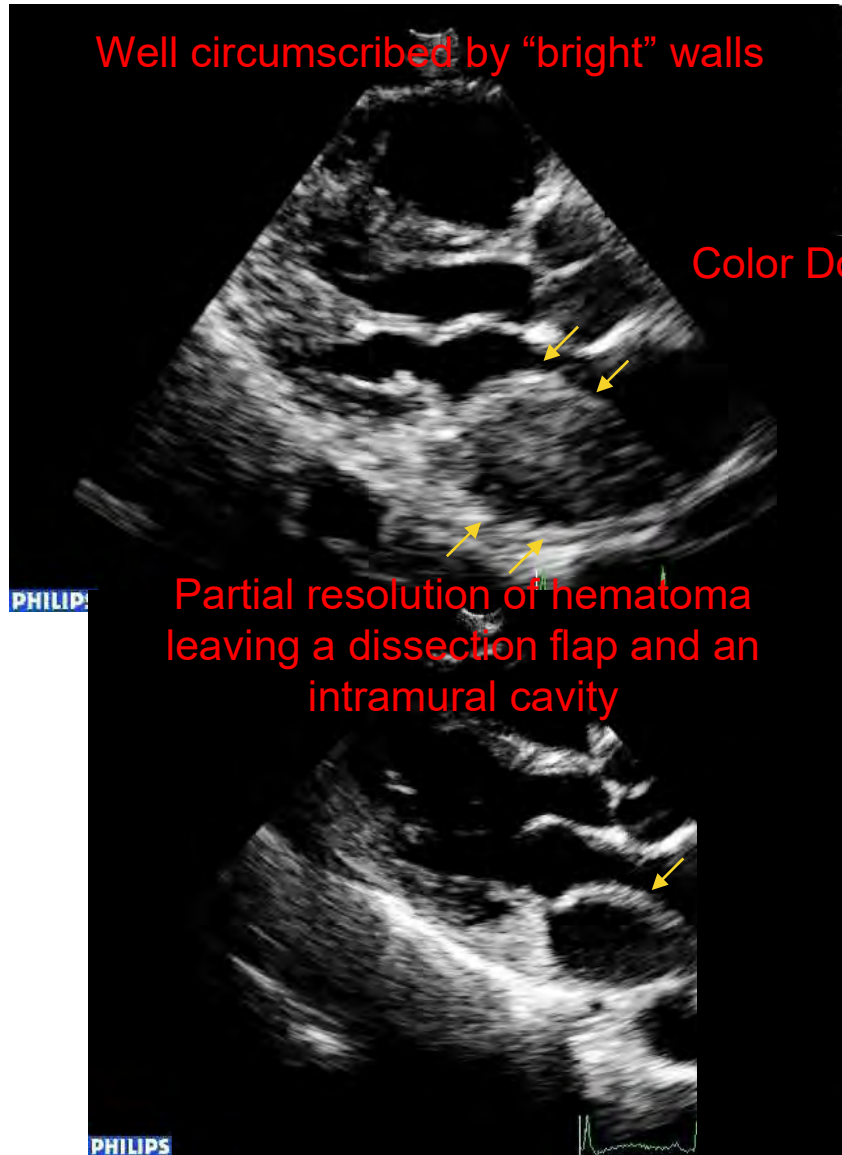


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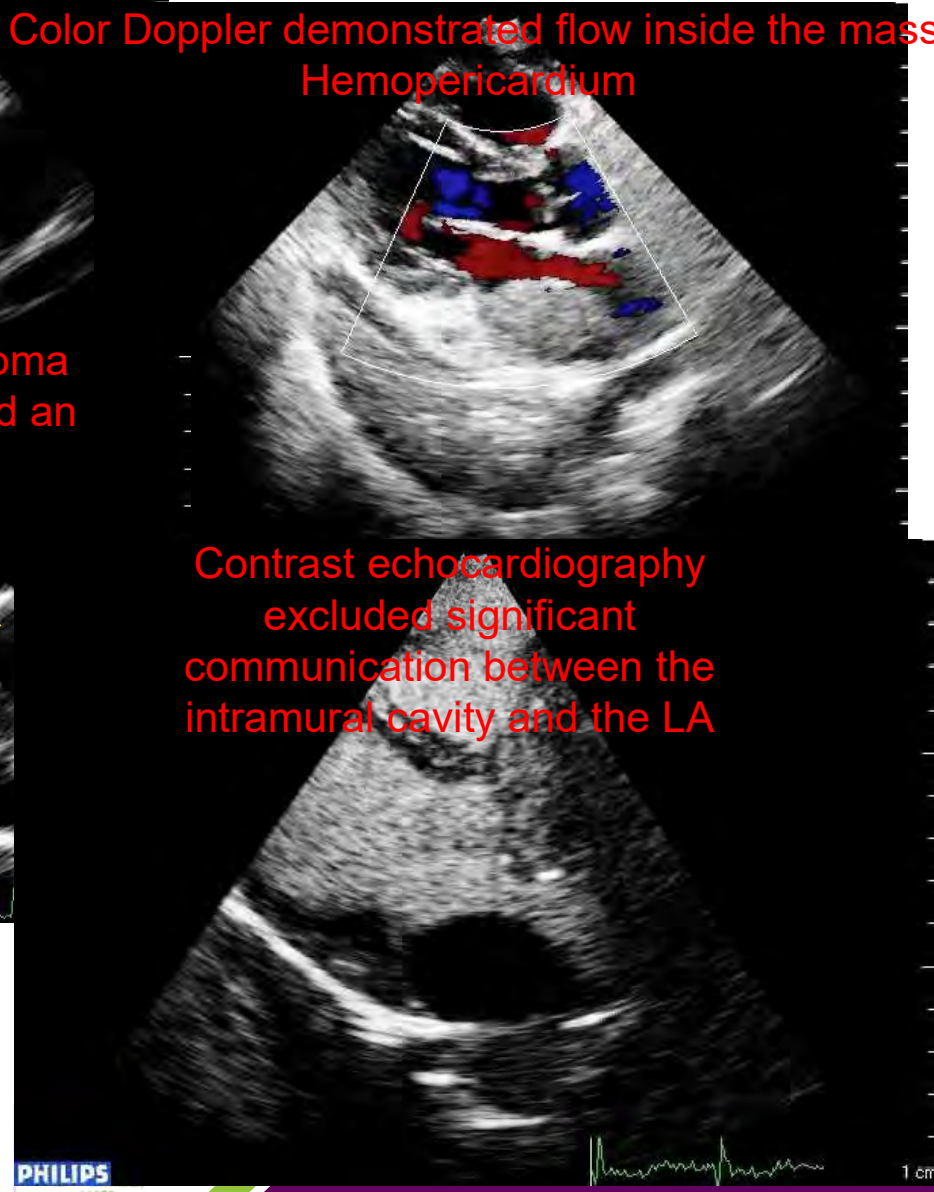


Well circumscribed by "bright" walls



Partial resolution of hematoma leaving a dissection flap and an intramural cavity

Color Doppler demonstrated flow inside the mass Hemopericardium



Contrast echocardiography excluded significant communication between the intramural cavity and the LA



# Left atrial intramural hematoma complicating AF ablation

- Uncommon
  - but may be increasingly common with complex LA procedure in patients on anticoagulation
- May occur spontaneously<sup>1</sup> or iatrogenically<sup>2,3</sup>
- Potential mechanisms<sup>4</sup>:
  - LA wall injury during transeptal puncture
  - Laceration of right lower pulmonary vein
  - Continued anticoagulation
- Unless causing hemodynamic compromise, literature suggested that LAIMH can be managed conservatively<sup>5</sup>

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2. Kelly S. *Am J Roentgenol.* 2006
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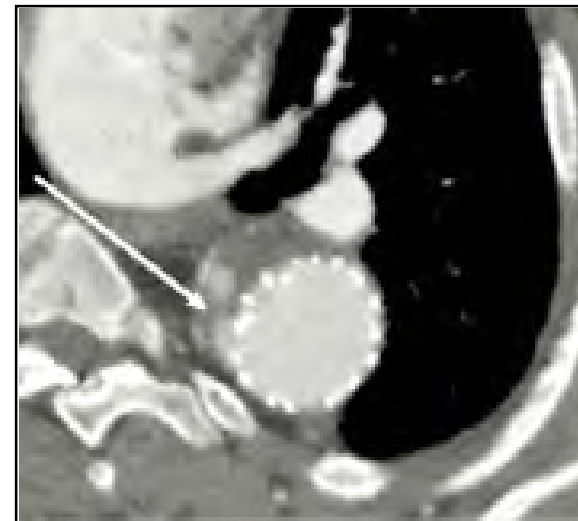
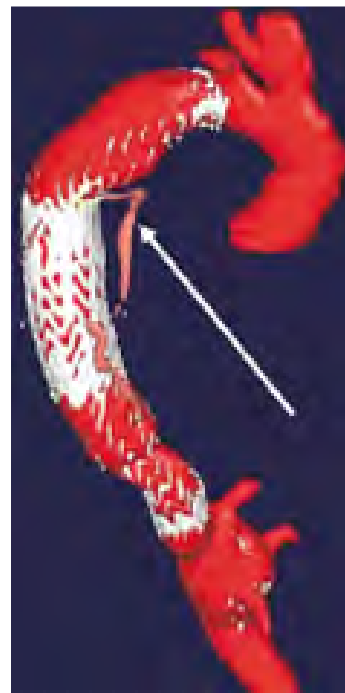
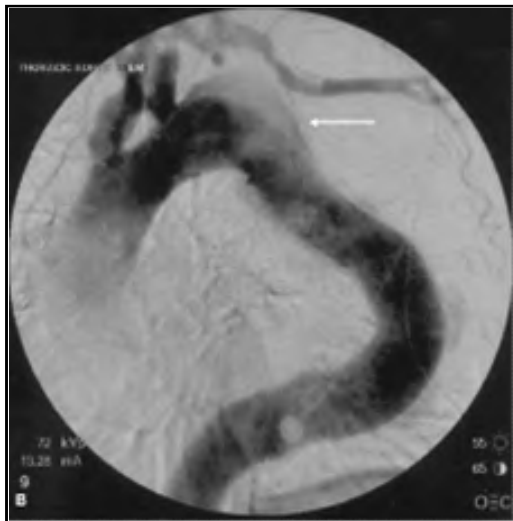
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# Aortic post TEVAR endoleak detection

# What are endoleaks?

- Endoleaks are defined as blood flow outside the lumen of the stent graft but within the aneurysm sac



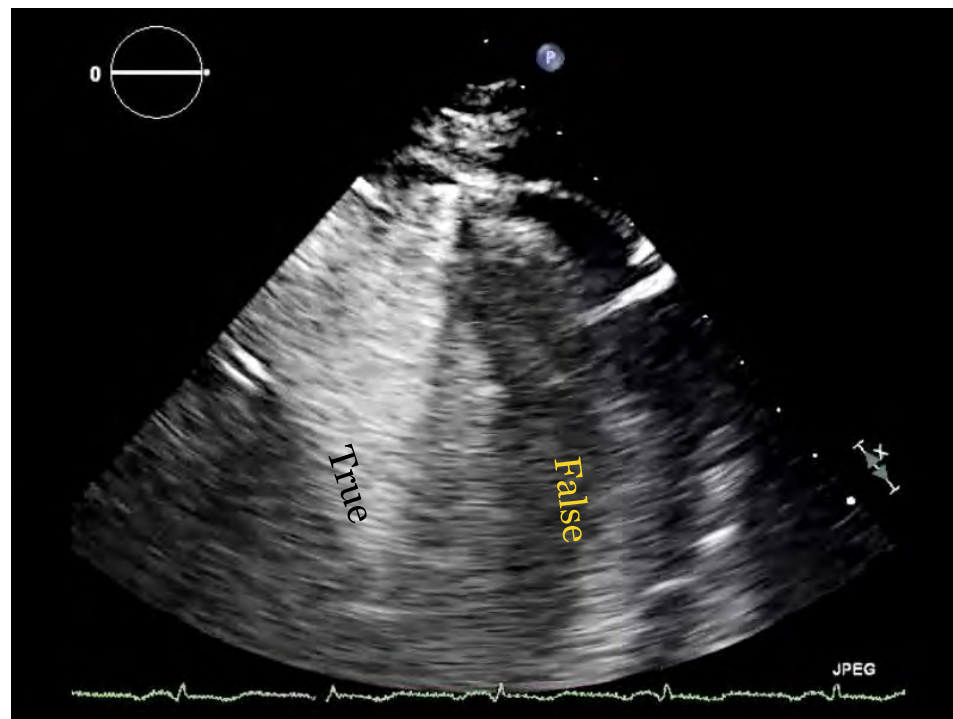
# CEUS Imaging of the Thoracic Aorta and Branches



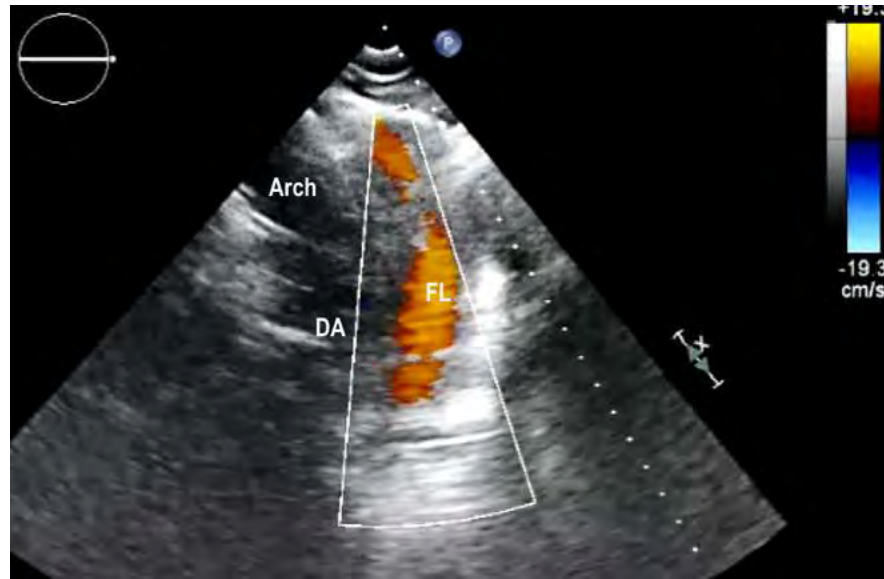
# Contrast-enhanced ultrasound confirms the retrograde flow direction in the false lumen



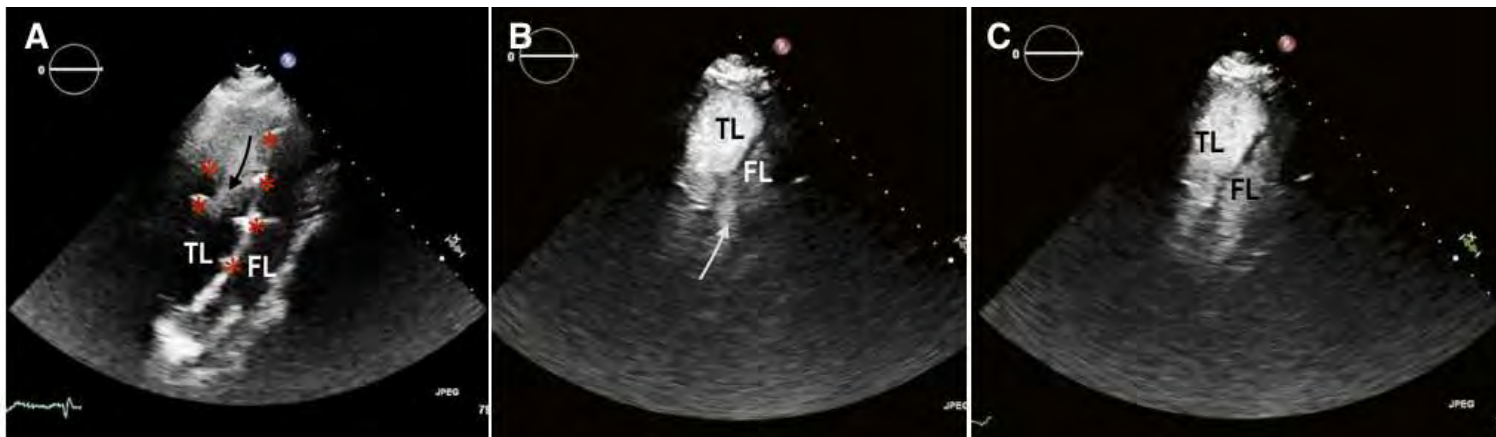
CT contrast



Microbubble contrast



Lee AP, et al. Contrast-Enhanced Transthoracic Aortic Ultrasound For Endoleak Detection After Thoracic Endovascular Aortic Repair. *The Annals of Thoracic Surgery* 2016 (In press).



# Impact of Contrast Echocardiography on Evaluation of Ventricular Function and Clinical Management in a Large Prospective Cohort

JACC 2009

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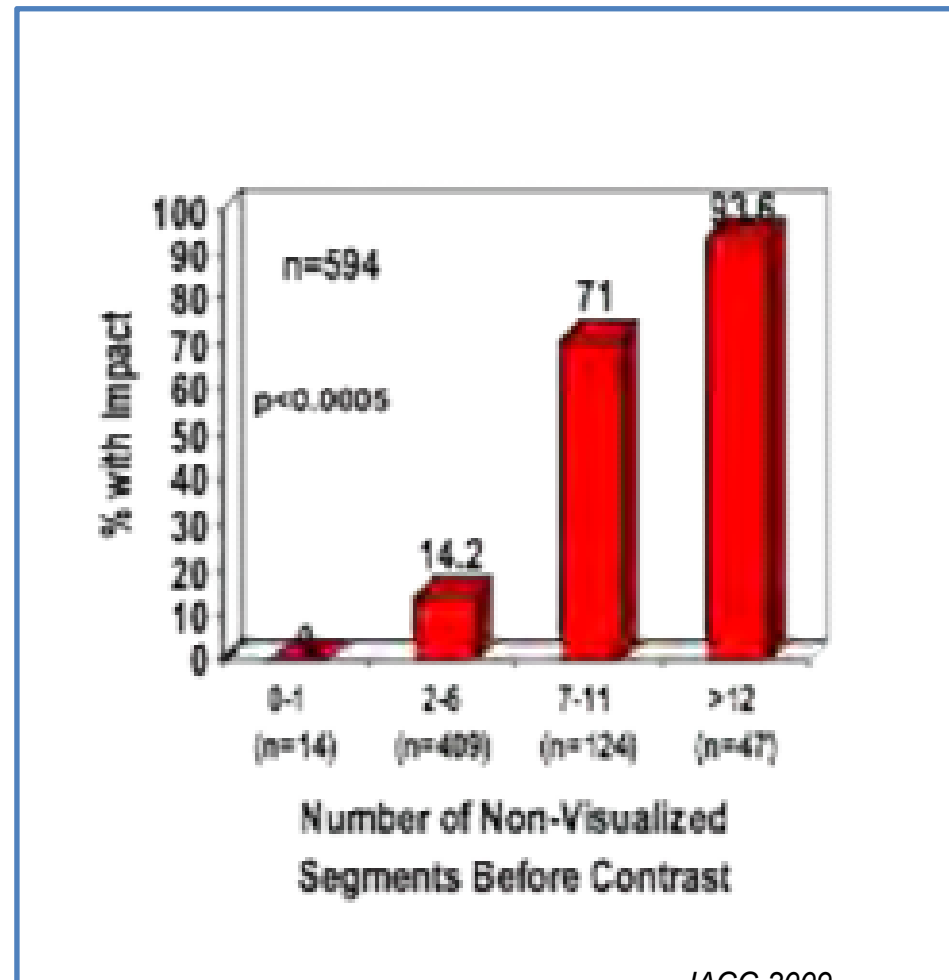
*Houston, Texas*

- Objectives** The aim of this study was to evaluate the impact of echocardiographic contrast utilization on patient diagnosis and management.
- Background** Contrast echocardiography (CE) has improved visualization of endocardial borders. However, its impact on patient management has not been evaluated previously.
- Methods** We prospectively enrolled 632 consecutive patients with technically difficult echocardiographic studies who received intravenous contrast (Definity, Lantheus Medical Imaging, Billerica, Massachusetts). Quality of studies, number of left ventricular (LV) segments visualized, estimated ejection fraction, presence of apical thrombus, and management decisions were compared before and after contrast.
- Results** After CE, the percent of uninterpretable studies decreased from 11.7% to 0.3% and technically difficult studies decreased from 86.7% to 9.8% ( $p < 0.0001$ ). Before contrast,  $11.6 \pm 3.3$  of 17 LV segments were seen, which improved after CE to  $16.8 \pm 1.1$  ( $p < 0.0001$ ). An LV thrombus was suspected in 35 patients and was definite in 3 patients before CE. After contrast, only 1 patient had a suspected thrombus, and 5 additional patients with thrombus were identified ( $p < 0.0001$ ). A significant impact of CE on management was observed: additional diagnostic procedures were avoided in 32.8% of patients and drug management was altered in 10.4%, with a total impact (procedures avoided, change in drugs, or both) observed in 35.6% of patients. The impact of contrast increased with worsening quality of nonenhanced study, the highest being in intensive care units. A cost-benefit analysis showed a significant savings using contrast (\$122/patient).
- Conclusions** The utilization of CE in technically difficult cases improves endocardial visualization and impacts cardiac diagnosis, resource utilization, and patient management. (J Am Coll Cardiol 2009;53:802-10) © 2009 by the American College of Cardiology Foundation

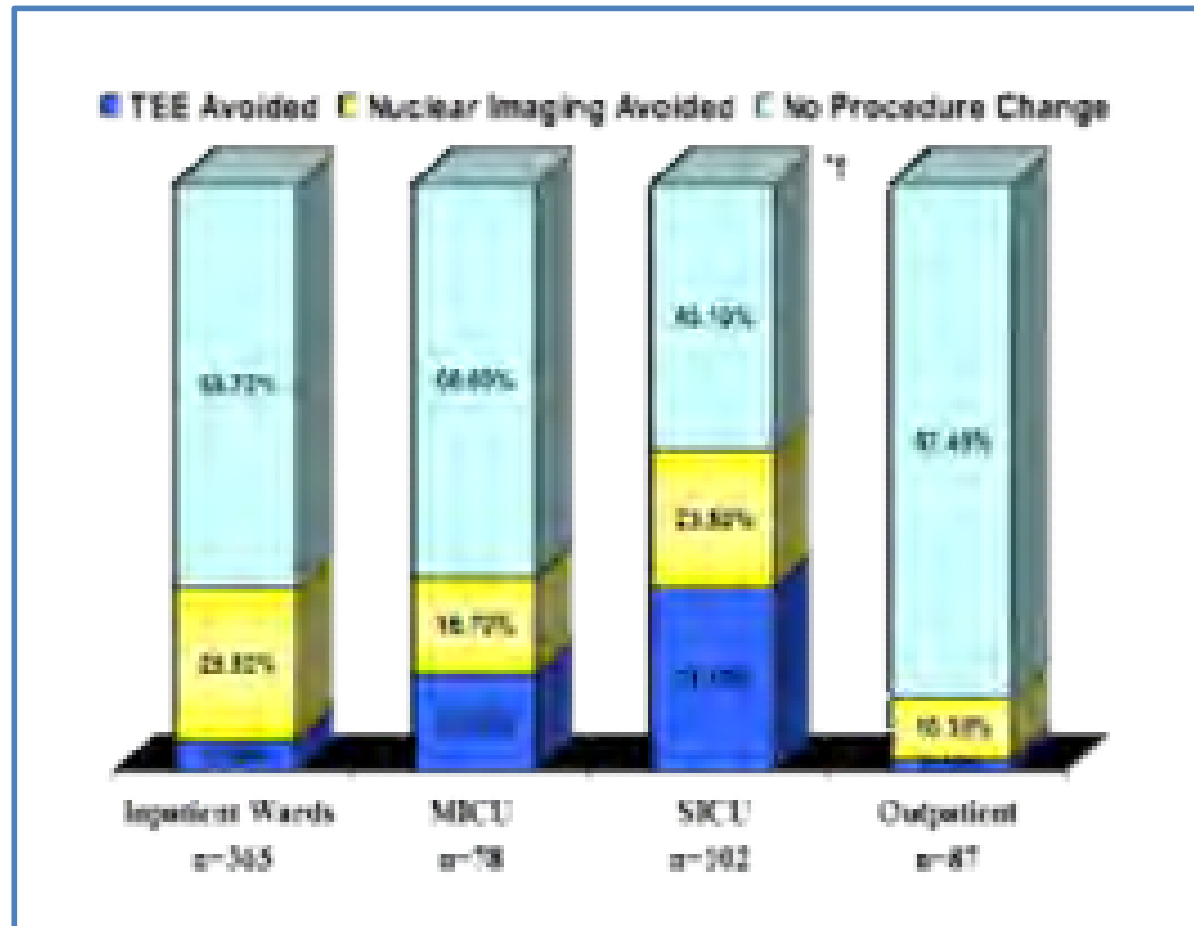




# Relation of Extent of Nonvisualized LV Segments to Impact of Contrast on Management



# Impact of Contrast on Patient Management: Avoidance of Additional Diagnostic Procedures



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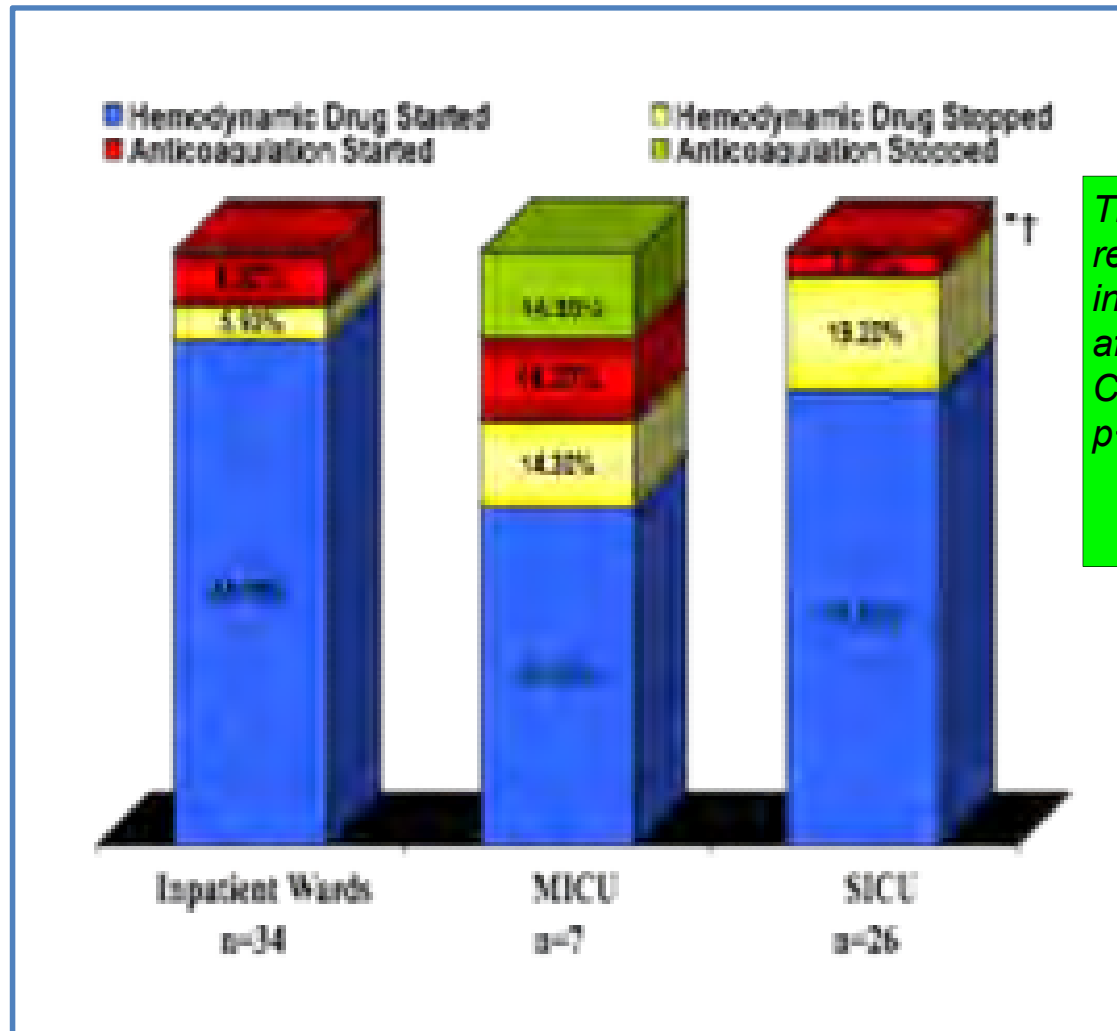
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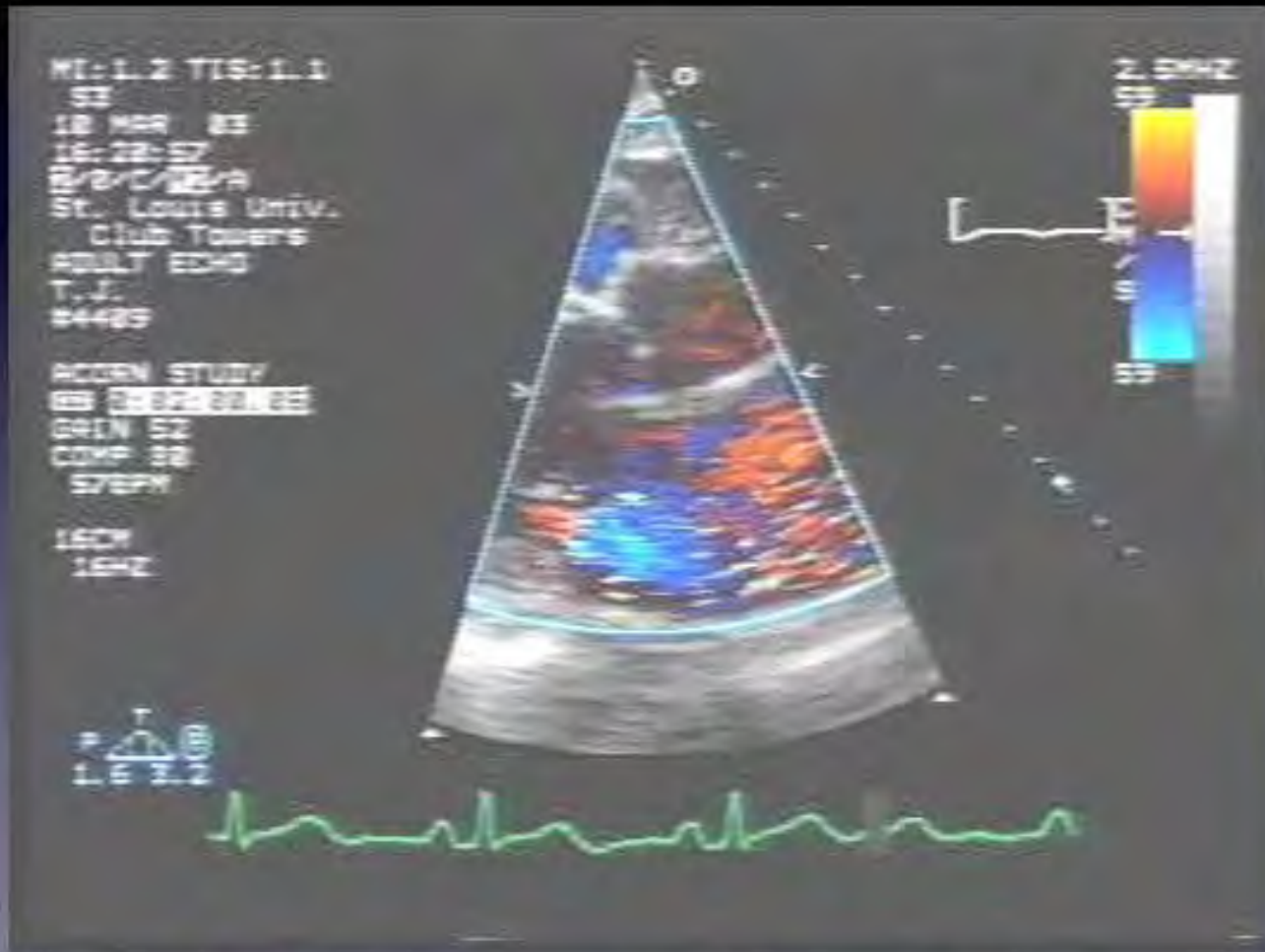
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# Impact of Contrast on Medication Changes

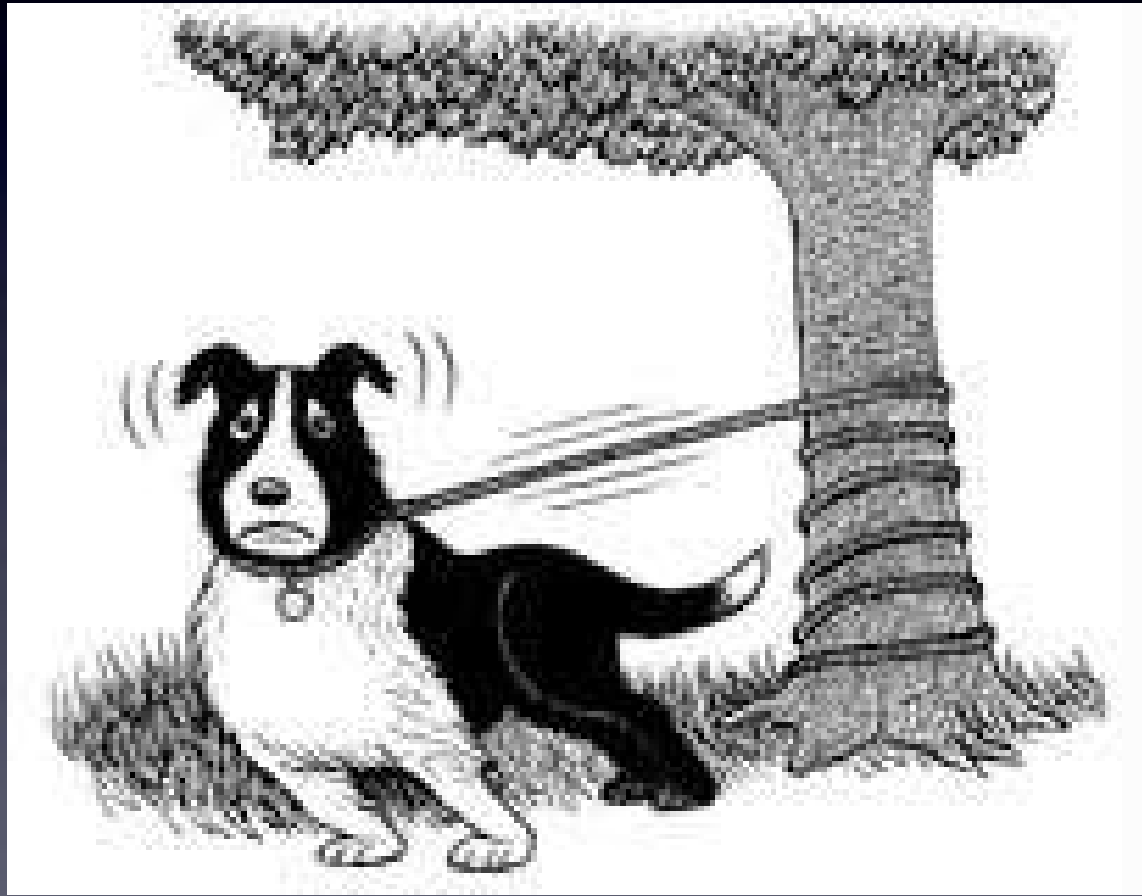


The patients' medical regimen was altered in 67 patients (10.6%) after interpretation of CE images (Ho: p=0, p<0.0001)

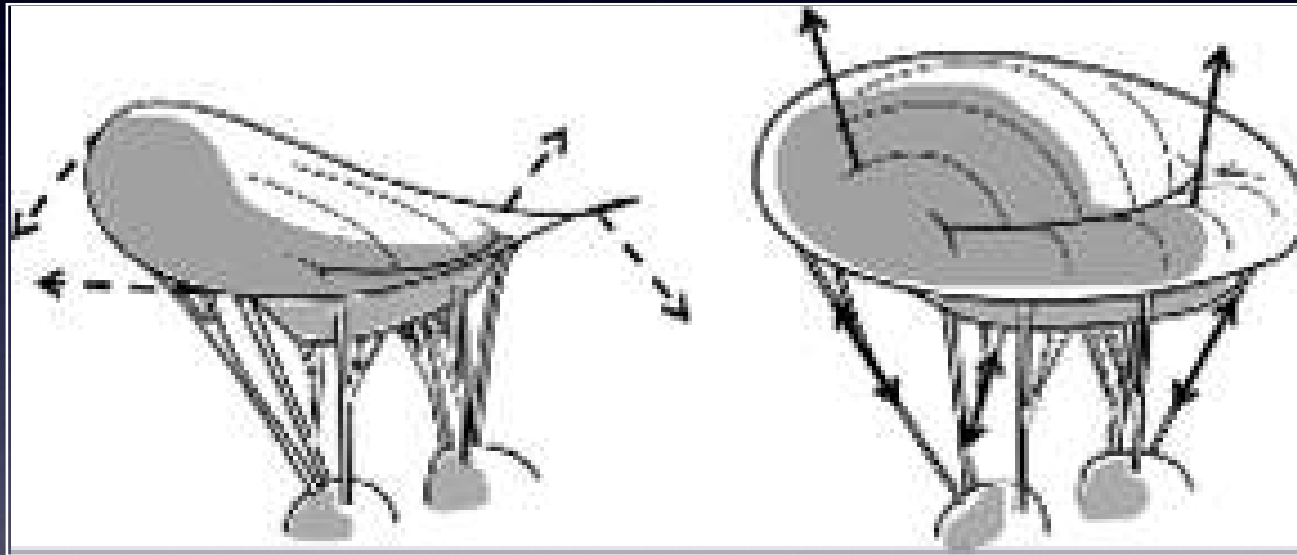


**Before ring implantation**

# *Tethering* is The Problem

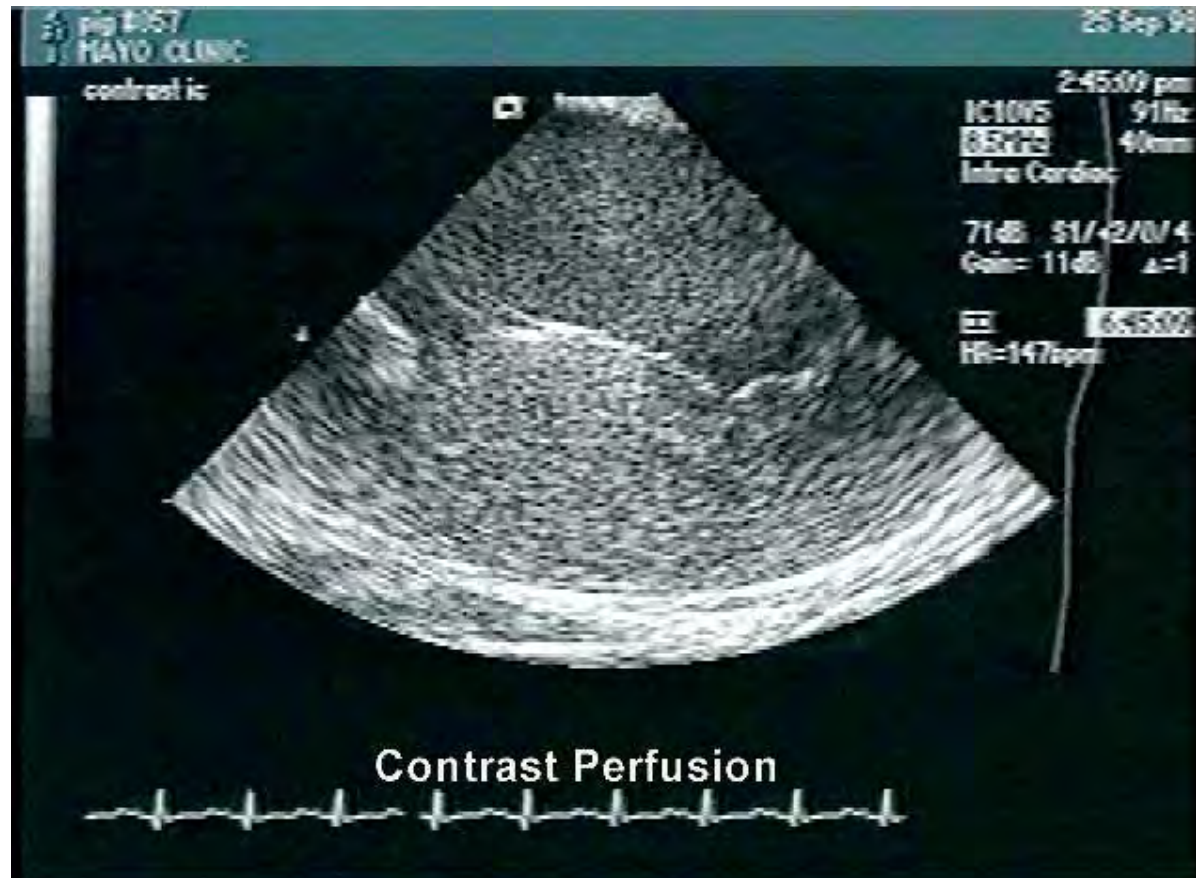


## Viewing mitral valve in a biomechanical model



Annular flattening may predispose the mitral valve to increased wear and tear?

# Myocardial Contrast Echocardiography



# Hypoperfusion and hypokinesia of LCx territory on MCE

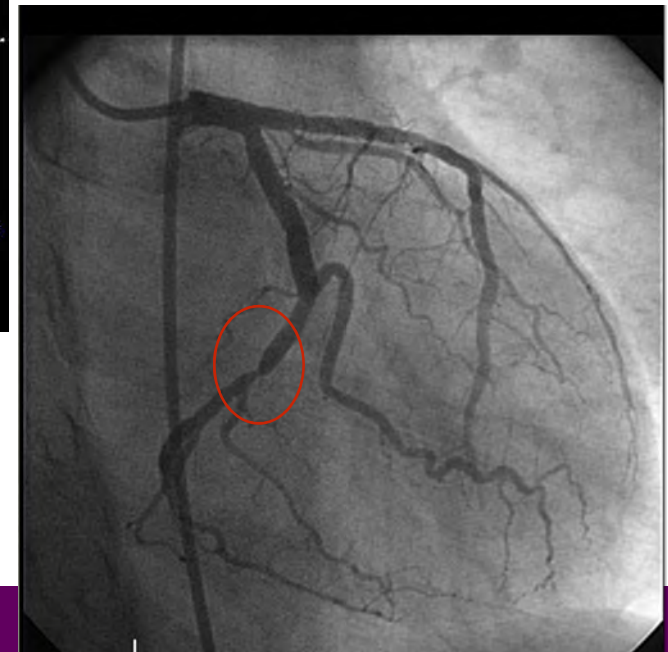
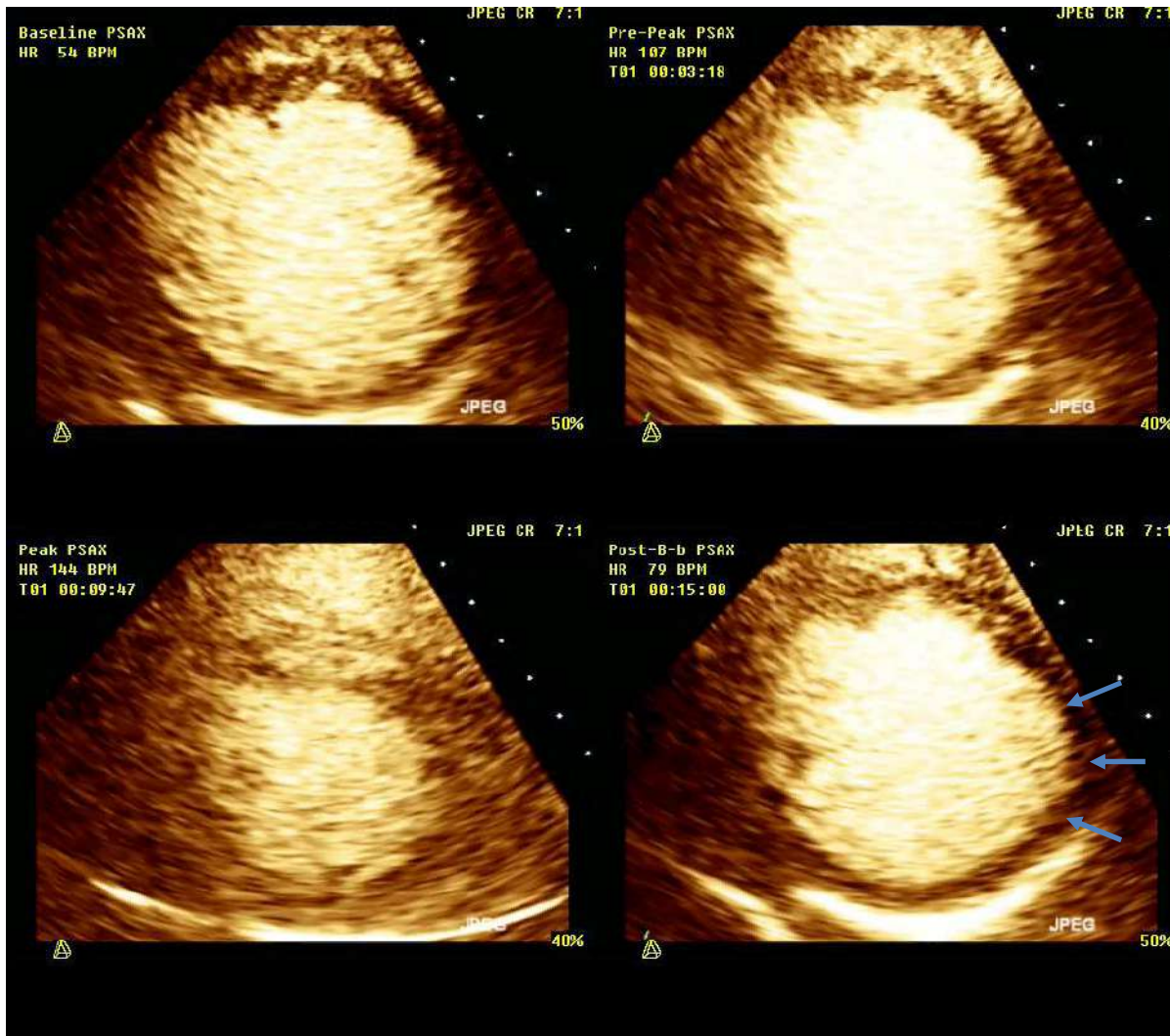
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Dob 20 mcg

Dob 40 mcg







# What is 3D printing?



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**1984**

## THE BIRTH OF 3D PRINTING

Charles Hull, later the co-founder of 3D Systems, invents stereolithography, a printing process that enables a tangible 3D object to be created from digital data. The technology is used to create a 3D model from a picture and allows users to test a design before investing in a larger manufacturing program.

**1990s**



## '92 BUILDING PARTS, LAYER BY LAYER

The first SLA (stereolithographic apparatus) machine is produced by 3D Systems. The machine's process involves a UV laser solidifying photopolymer, a liquid with the viscosity and color of honey that makes three-dimensional parts layer by layer. Although imperfect, the machine proves that highly complex parts can be manufactured overnight.



## '09 DIY KITS FOR 3D PRINTERS ENTER THE MARKETPLACE

MakerBot Industries, an open-source hardware company for 3D printers, starts selling DIY kits that allow buyers to make their own 3D printers and products.



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# Explaining 3D printing by way of 2D printing

1 Create content using text editing software

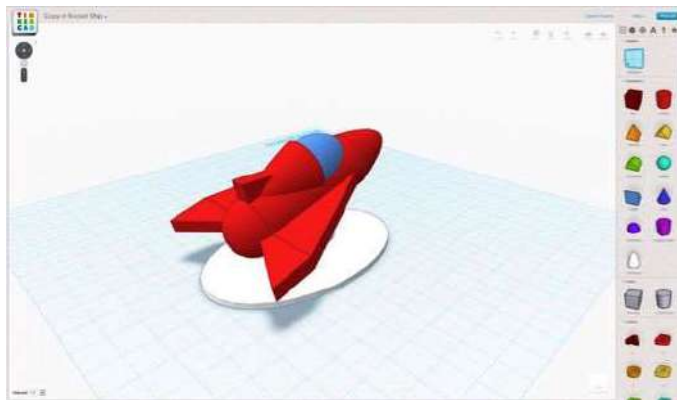


2 Content transmitted to device that creates physical copy



# Explaining 3D printing by way of 2D printing

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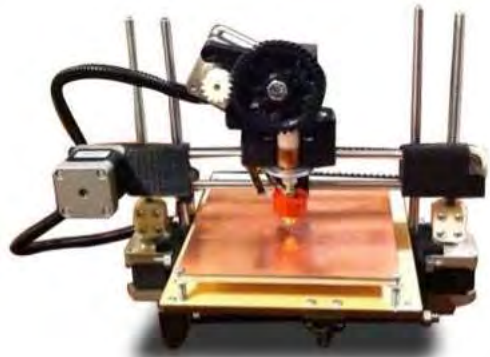


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# What does a 3D printer look like?

Hobby grade printers



Commercial grade printer



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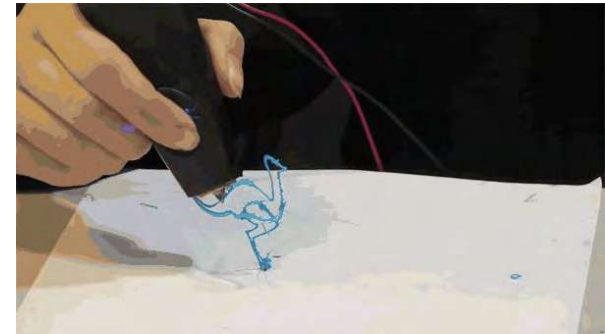


# How does a 3D printer work?

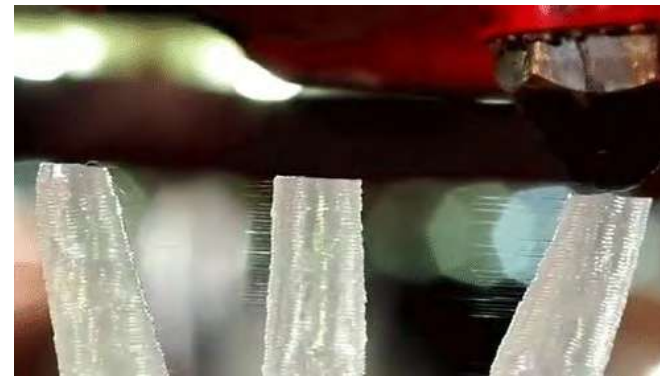
- 1 Heat and extrude material, similar to hot glue gun



- 2 Build object up in subsequent layers

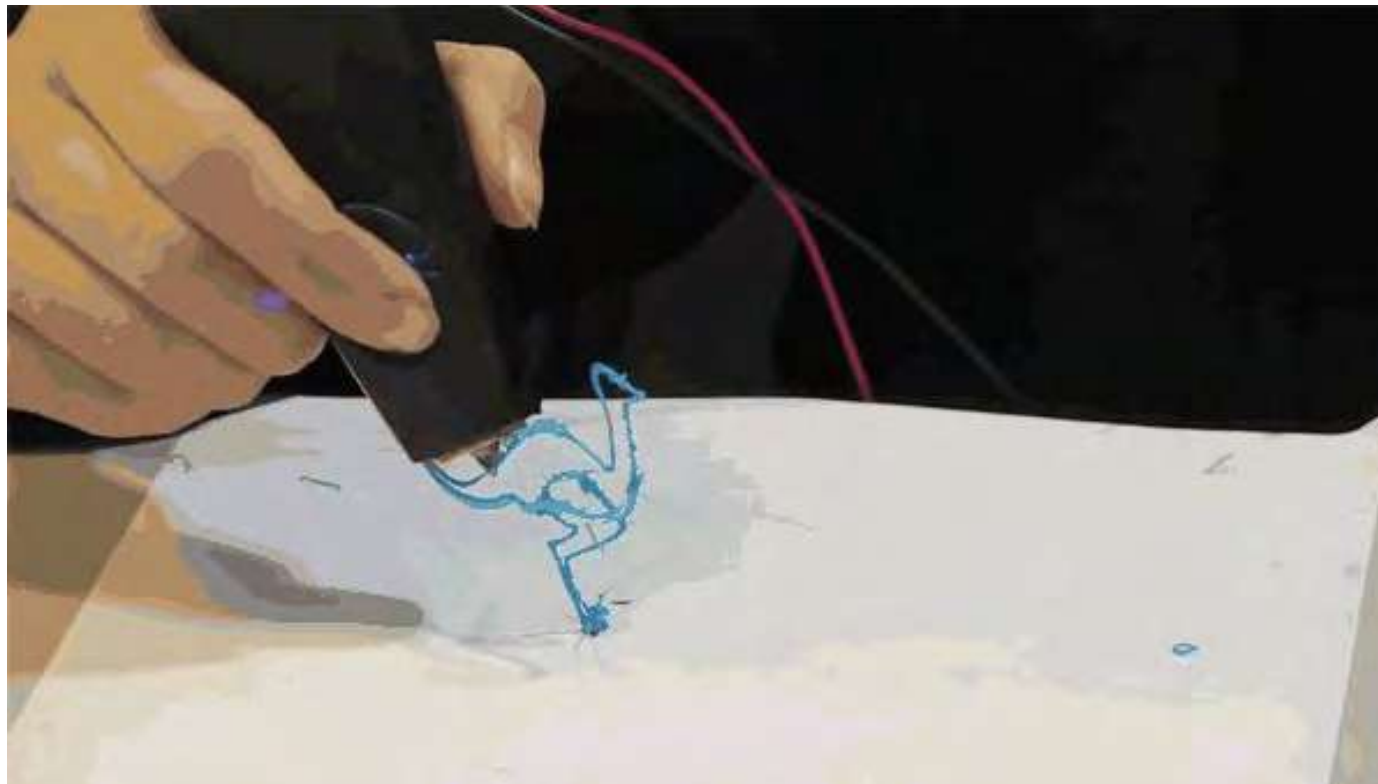


- 3 Use computer controlled gantry to extrude material in precise locations



# How does a 3D printer work?

- ◆ 3D pens
- ◆ Heat and extrude material
- ◆ Build object up in subsequent layers



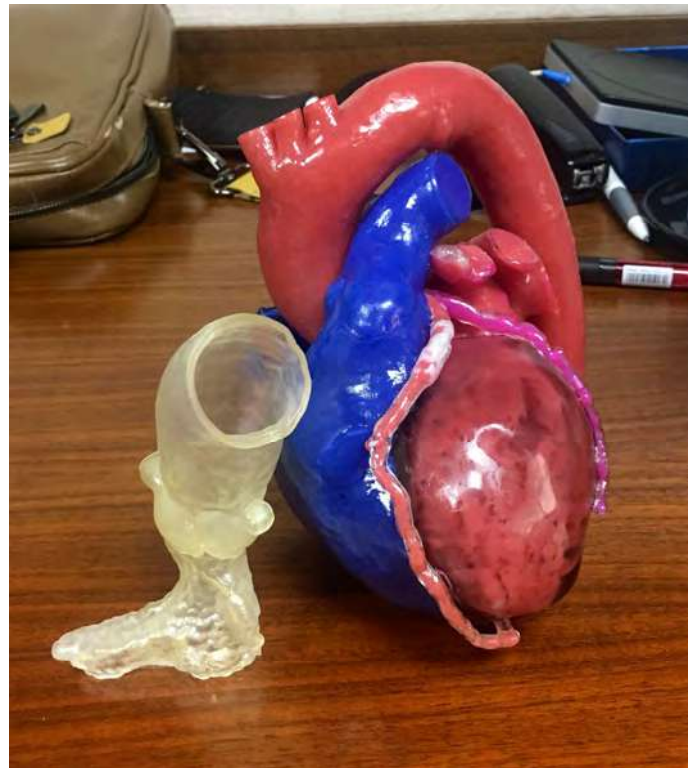


# How does a 3D printer work?

- ◆ 3D printers
- ◆ computer controlled gantry to extrude material in precise locations



# What is cardiovascular 3D printing?



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# From medical images to objects Segmentation

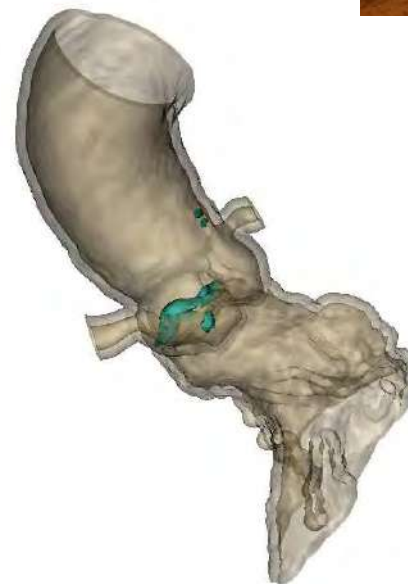
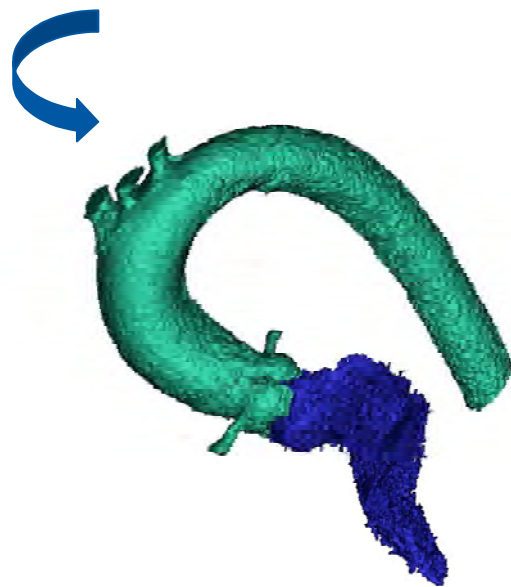
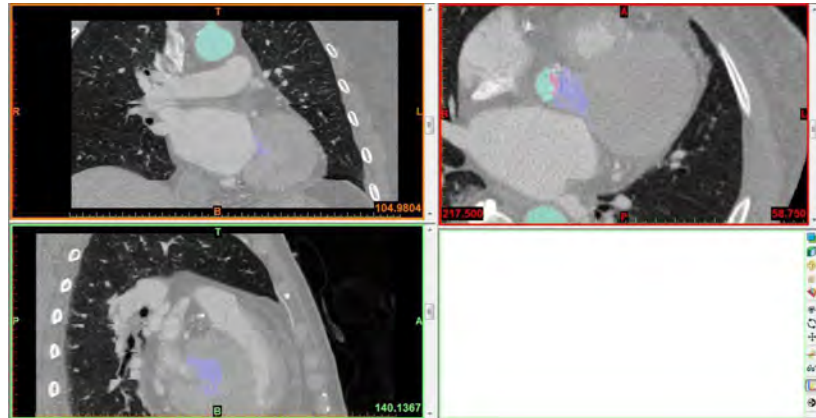


Medical scanner (CT/MR/US)



Your own PC or laptop

# Process of reconstructing from CT data



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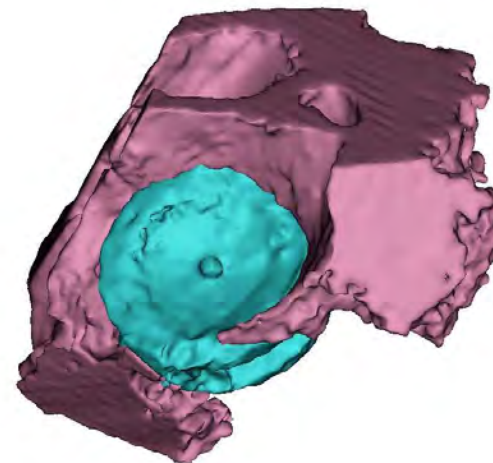
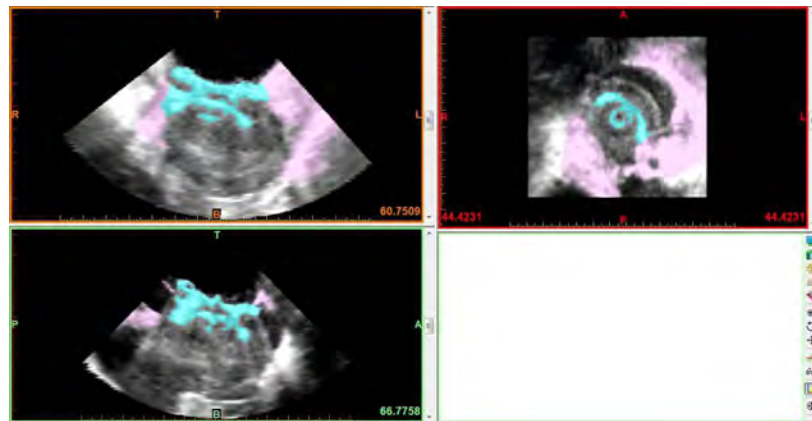
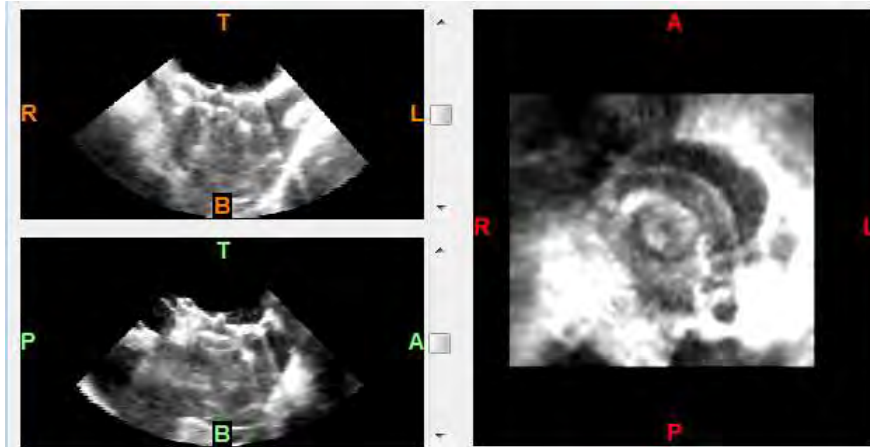
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# Process of reconstructing from 3D Echo Data



# Personalised surgical planning



# Anatomic teaching tools for students and patients

- Advantages:
  - True spatial relationship to allow tangible manipulation of the cardiac structures.
  - Medical students may be able to “feel” the anatomy and pathology
  - Patients can be better explained regarding the surgical or interventional technique.





FR 29Hz  
8.1cm

M4

xPlane  
63%  
63%  
50dB  
P Off  
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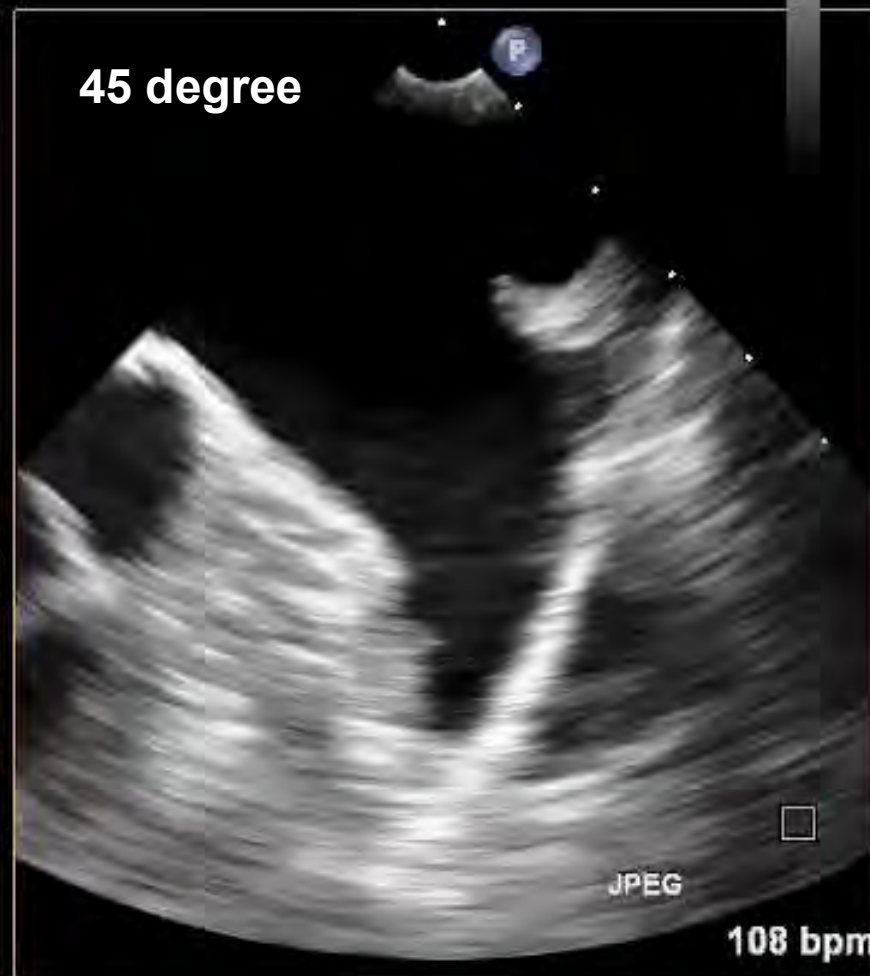
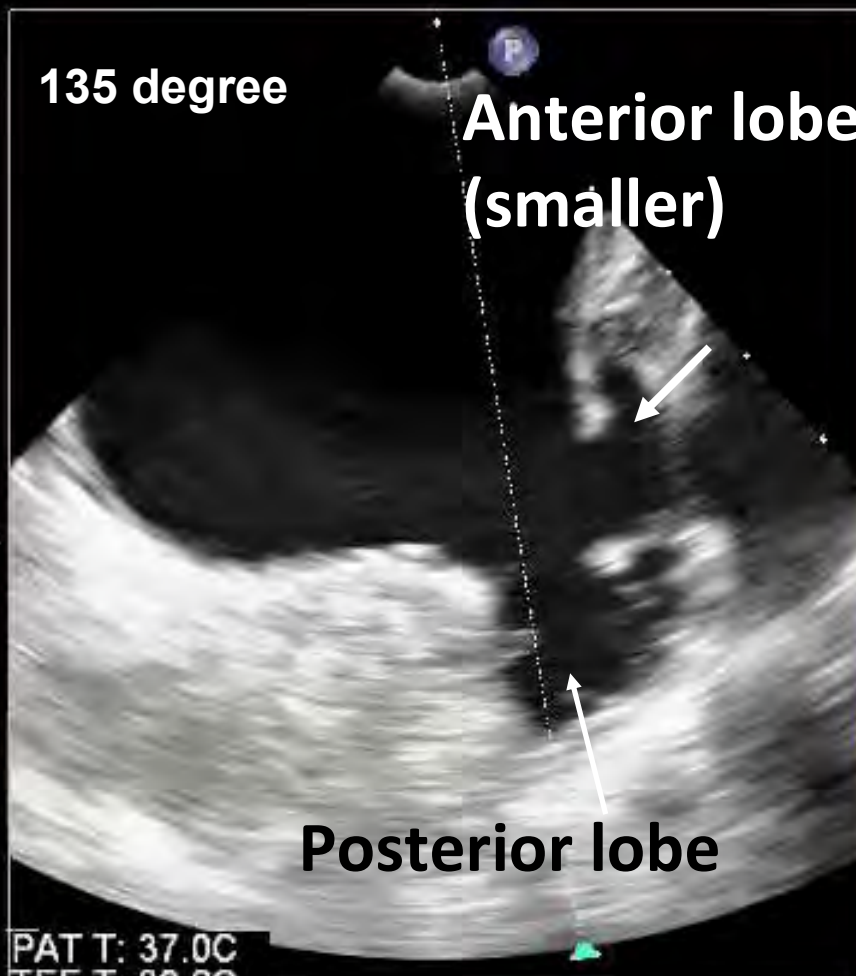
Case: A 78 yo lady, AF, stroke risk deemed high (CHADS2>2), contraindication to oral anticoagulation (history of ICH)

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Anterior lobe  
(smaller)

45 degree

Posterior lobe

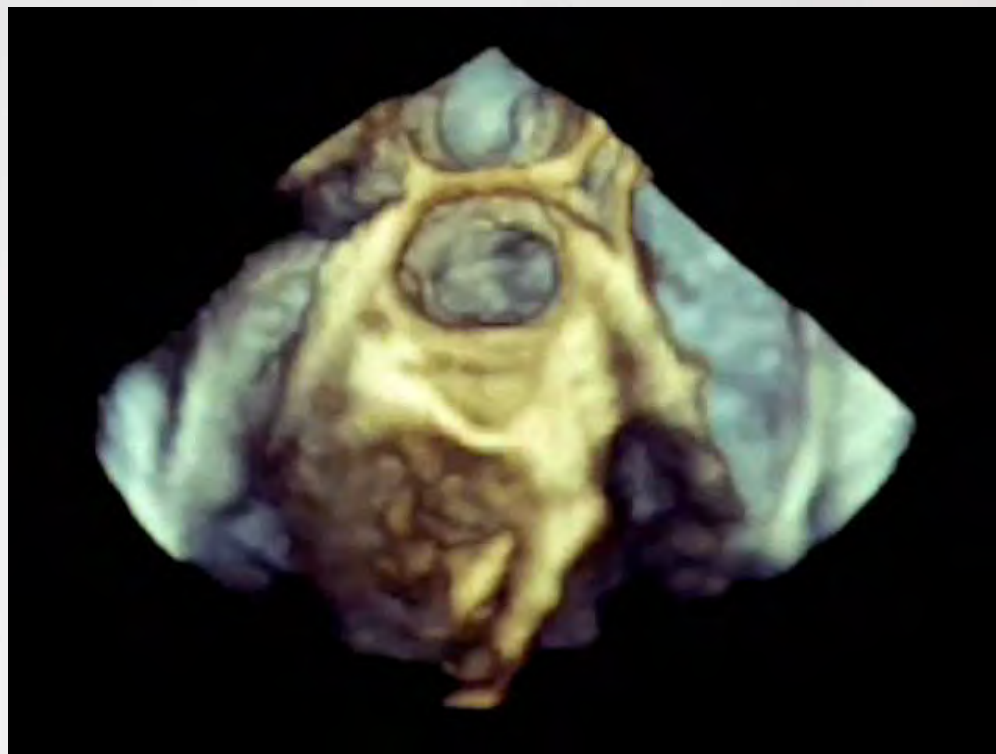


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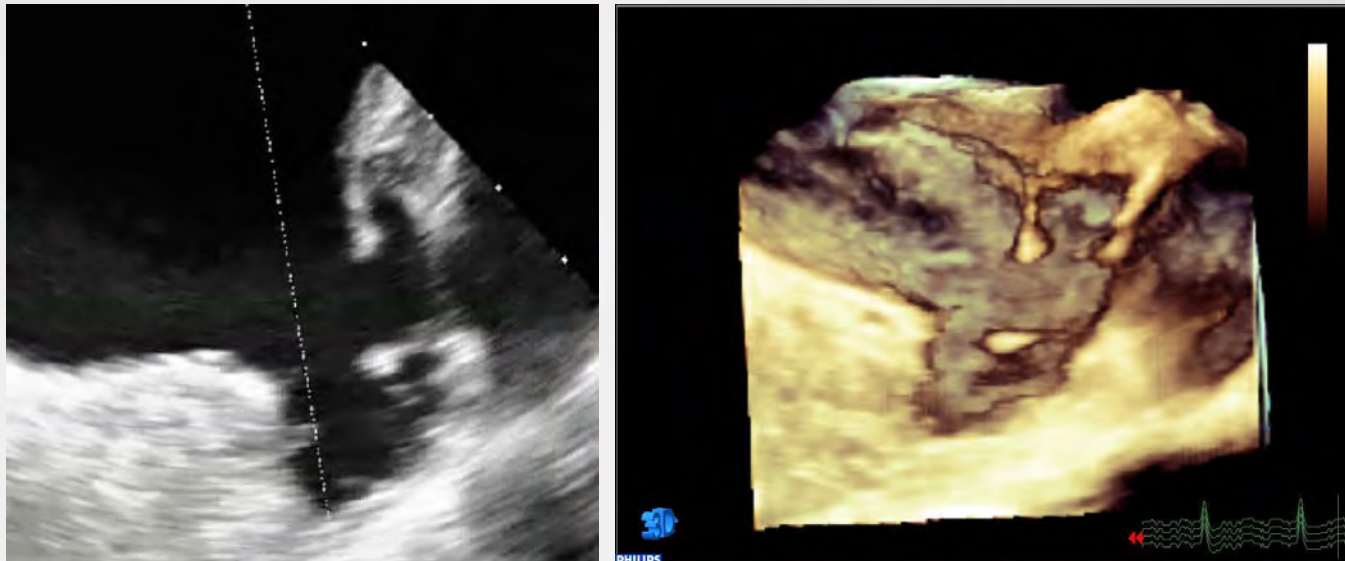
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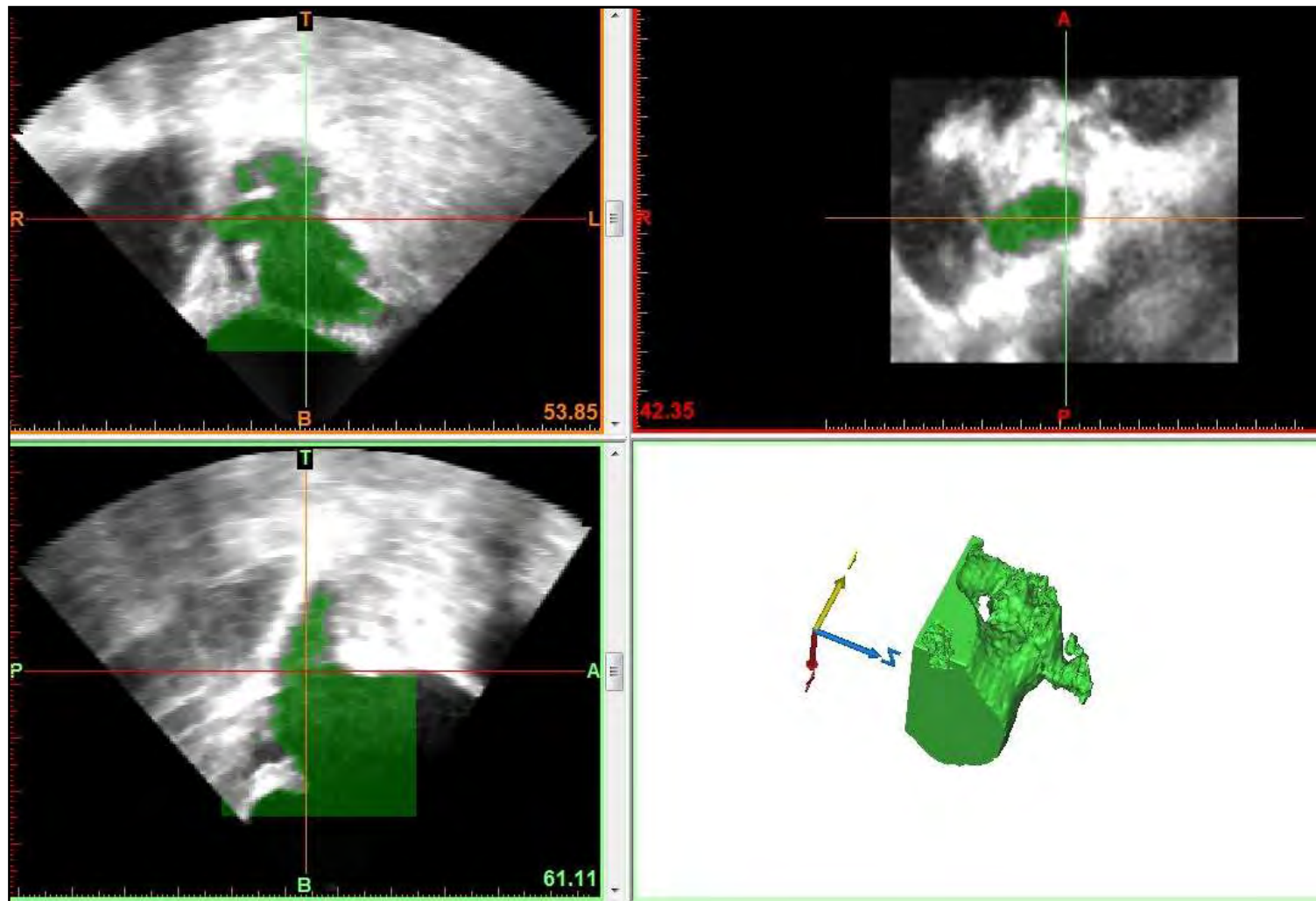
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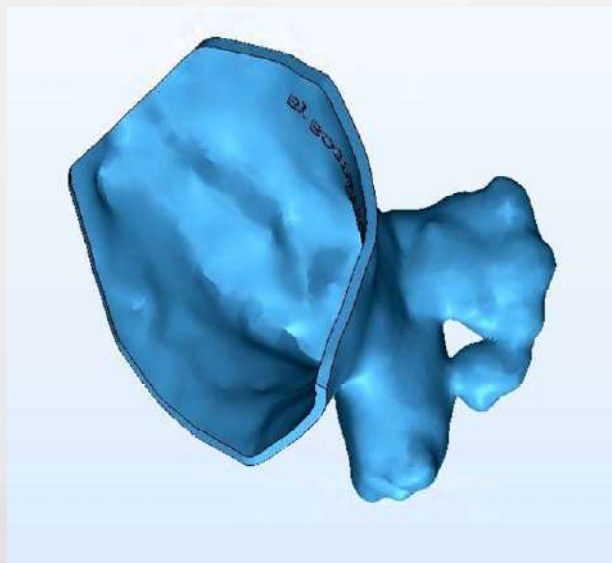
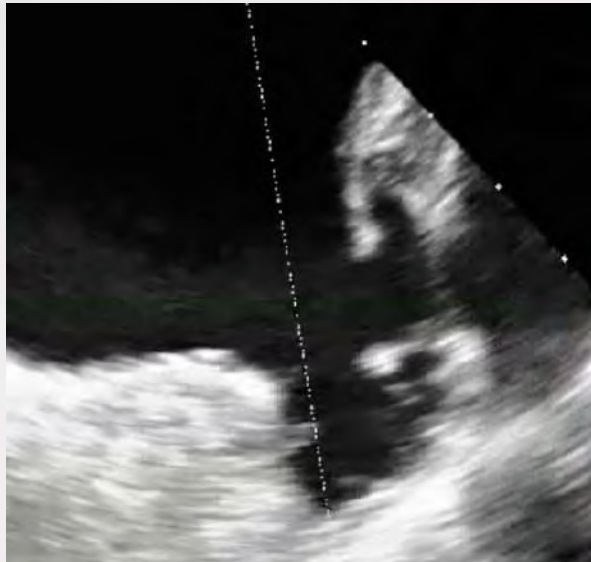
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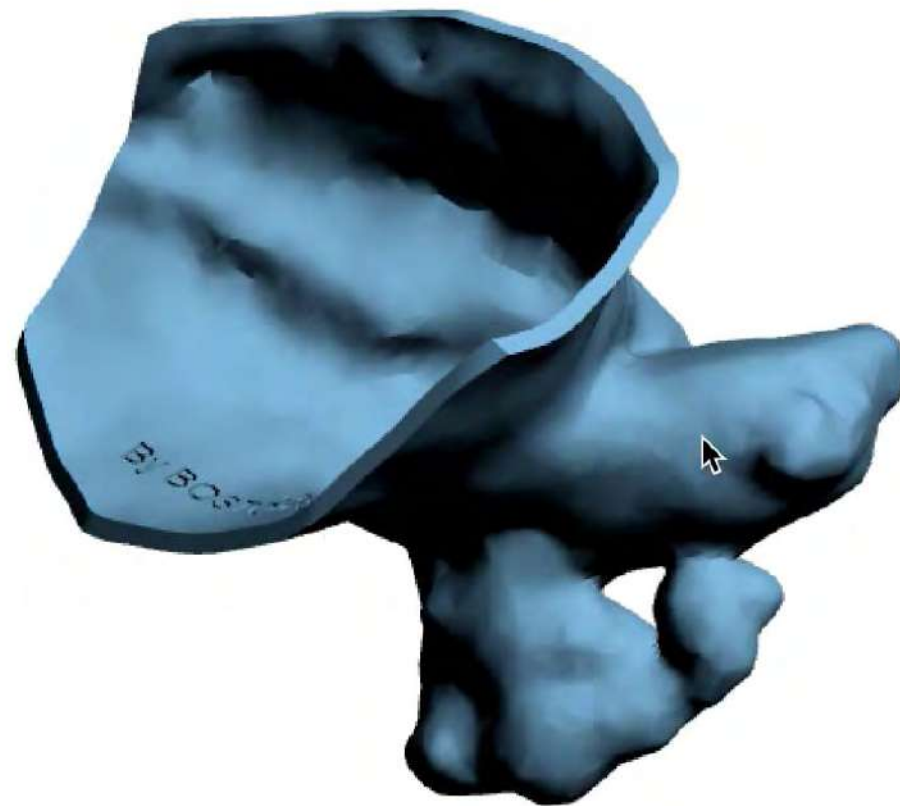


# From 3D echocardiographic data to 3D digital model



# 3D Printing for Personalised Cardiac Intervention





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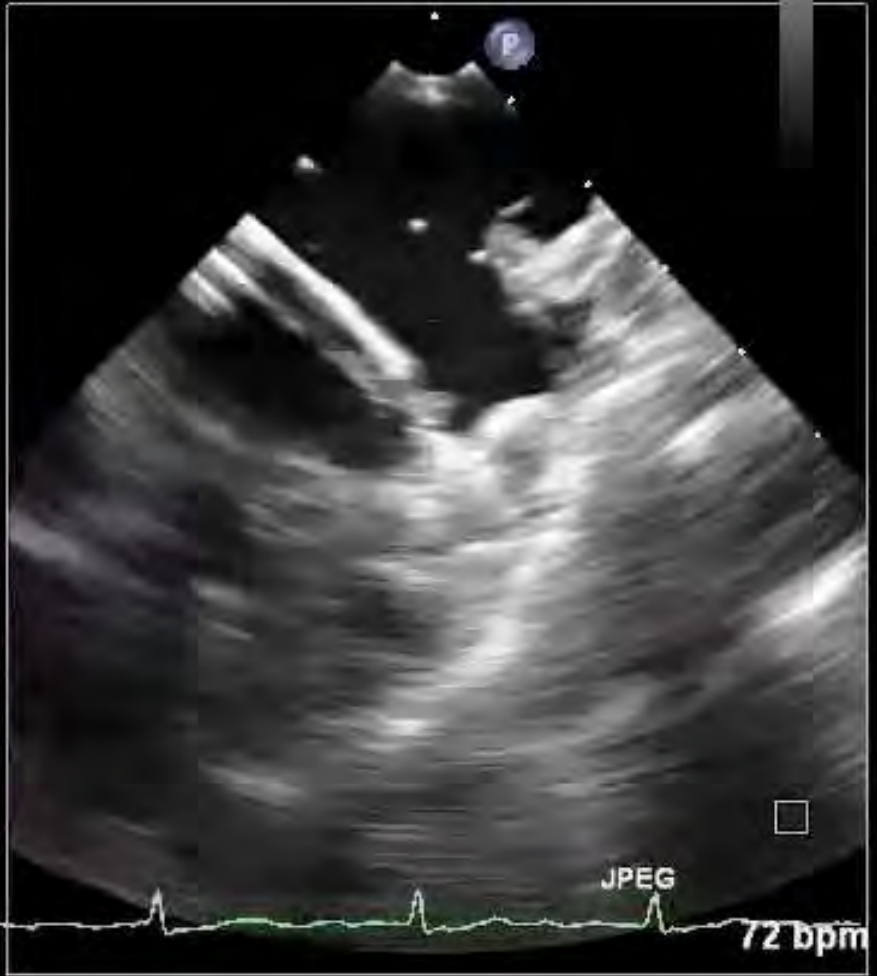
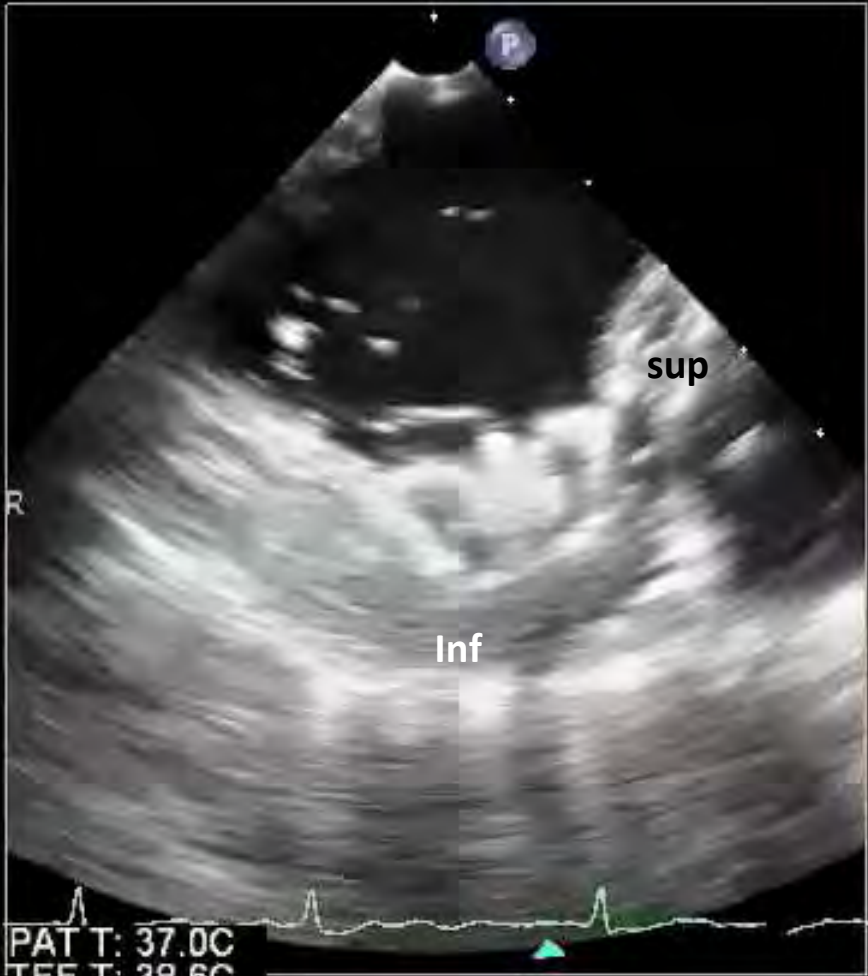
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8.1cm

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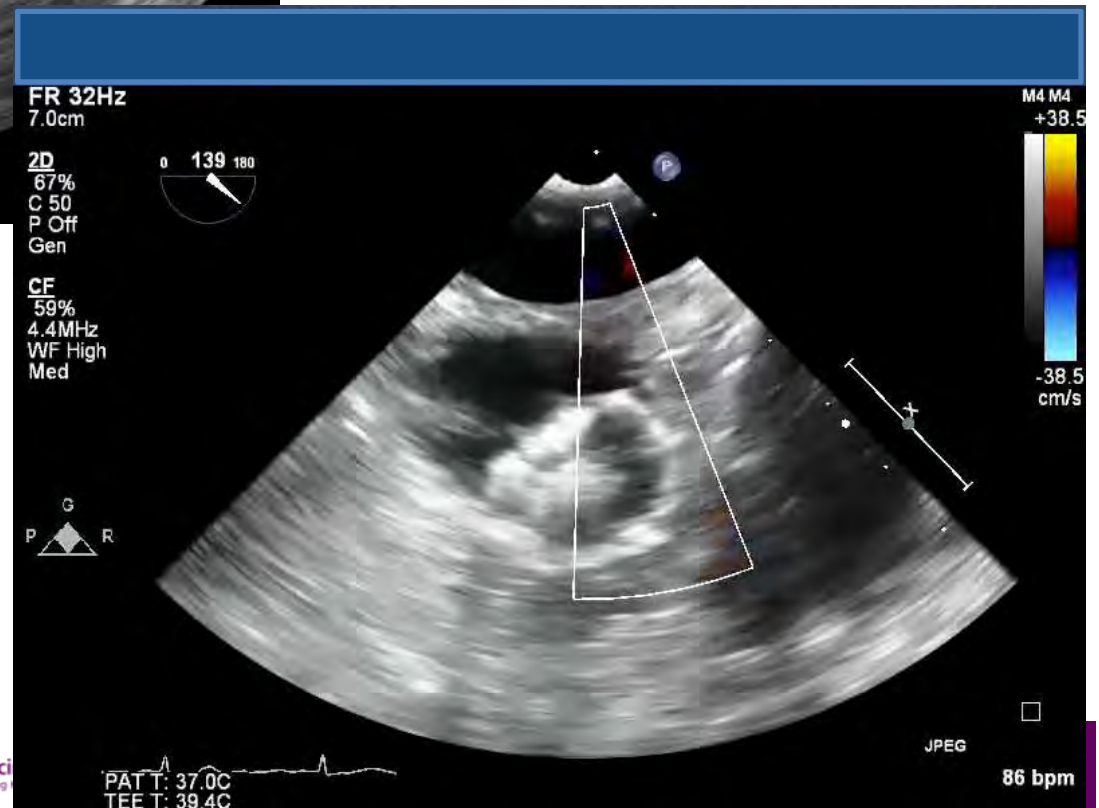
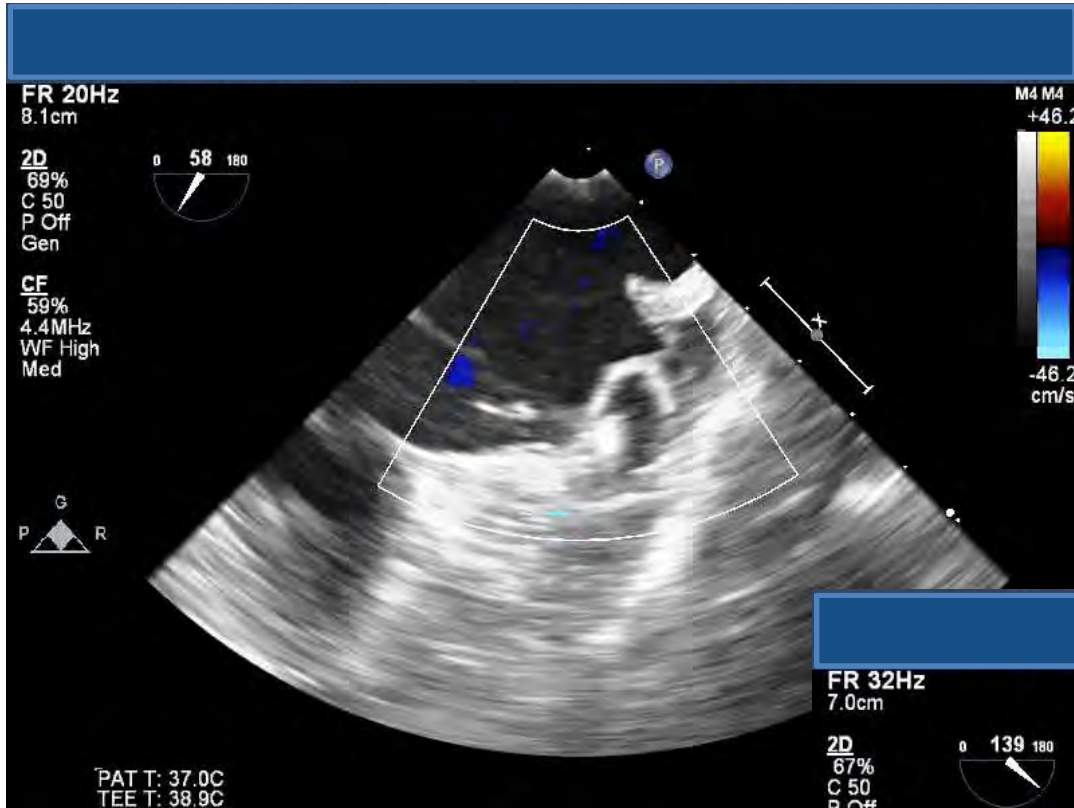
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72 bpm





# Real patient cases demo



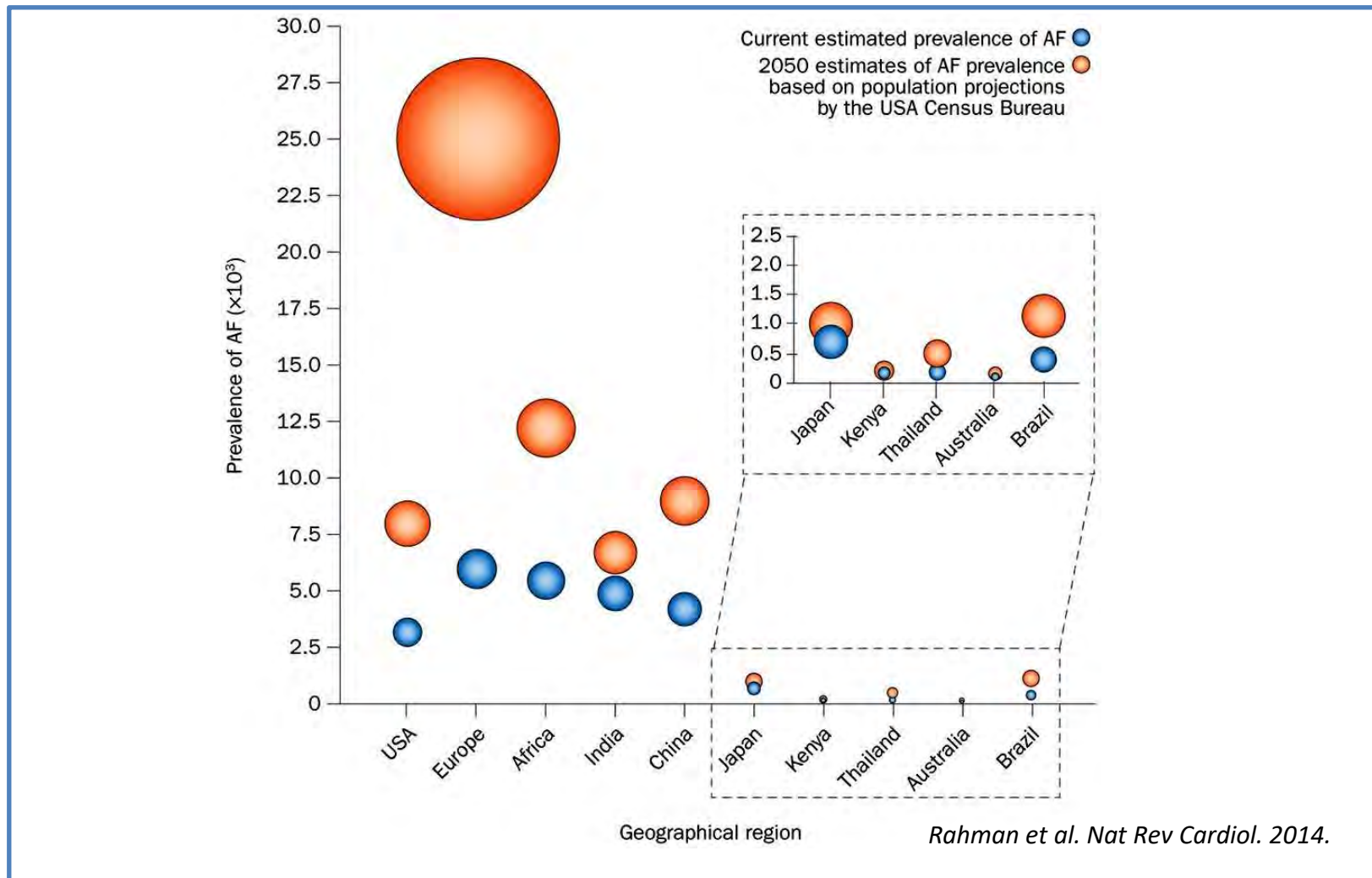
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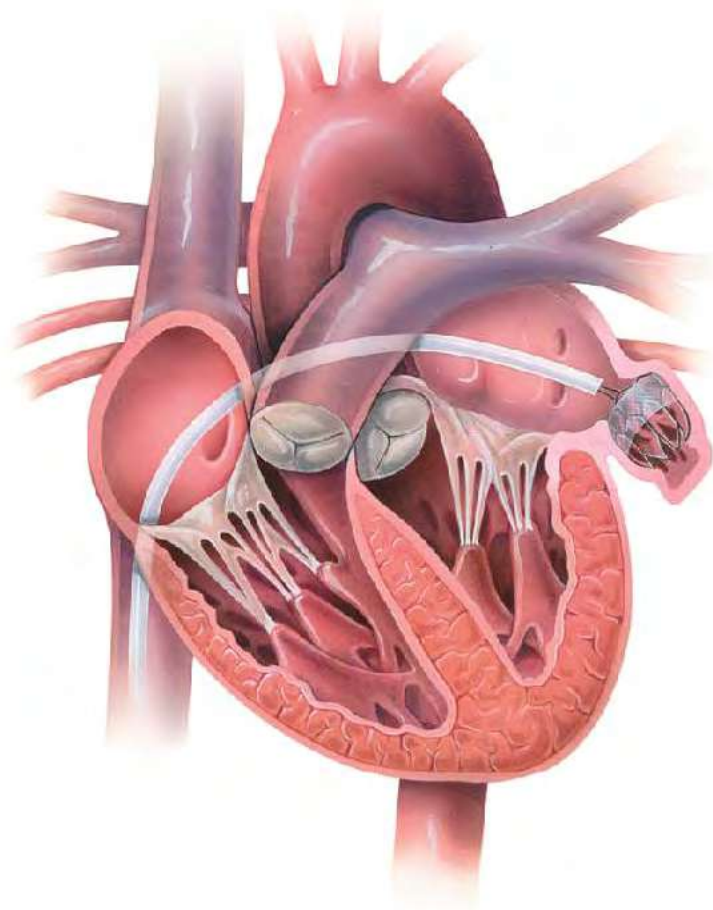
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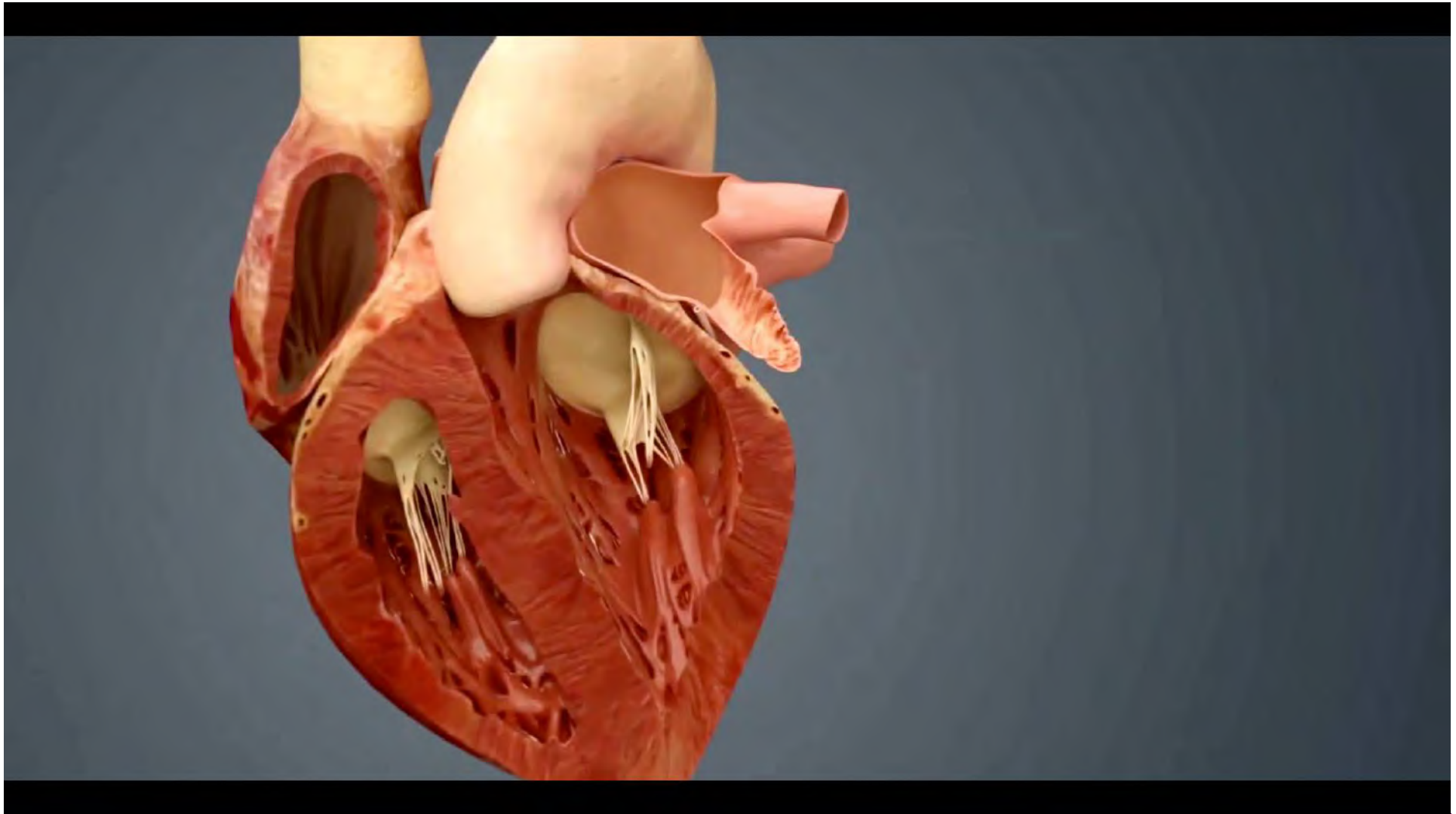
# 左心耳封堵術 LAA occlusion

- CHA2DS2-VASc 分數 = 8  
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(每年出血機會率)

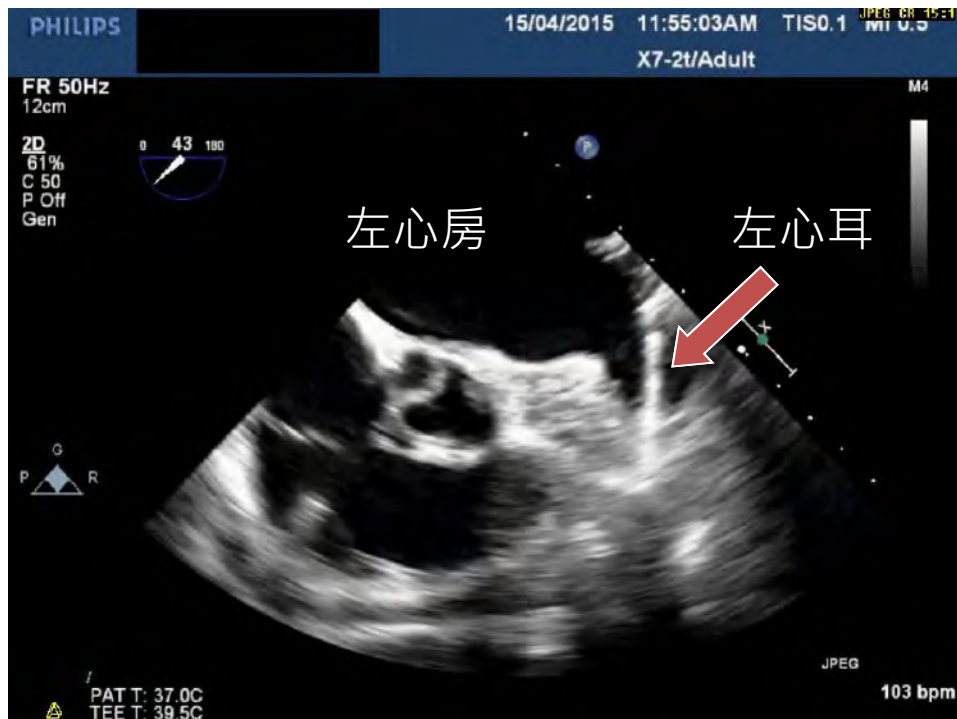
=> 終身服用抗凝血藥將增加  
出血性中風的機會



## Transcatheter left atrial appendage occlusion procedure



# 手術前心臟超聲波圖像



FR 29Hz  
8.1cm

M4

xPlane  
63%  
63%  
50dB  
P Off  
Gen

手術前心臟超聲波圖像



食道超聲波  
135度切面

左心耳前葉  
(較小)

後葉

食道超聲波  
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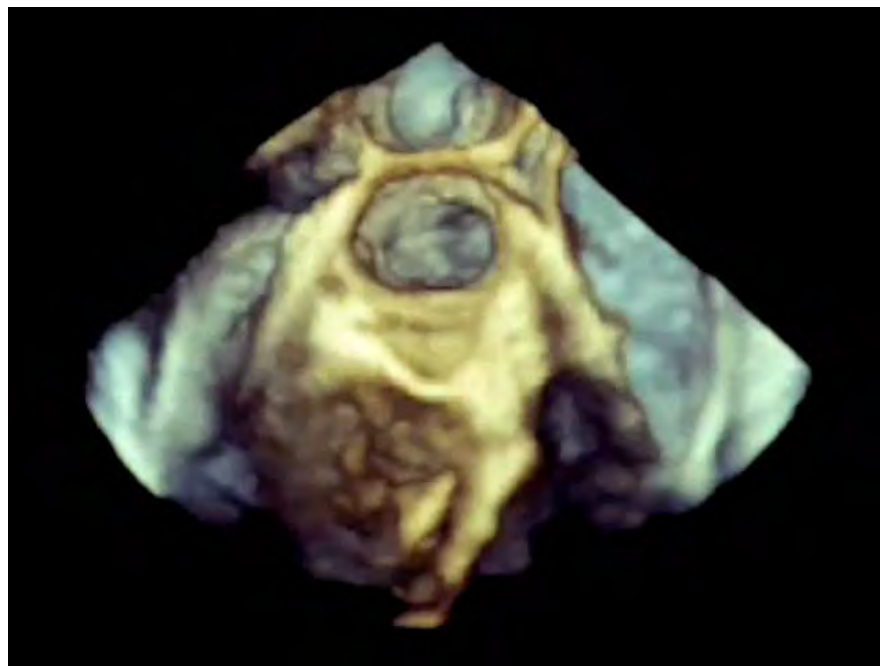


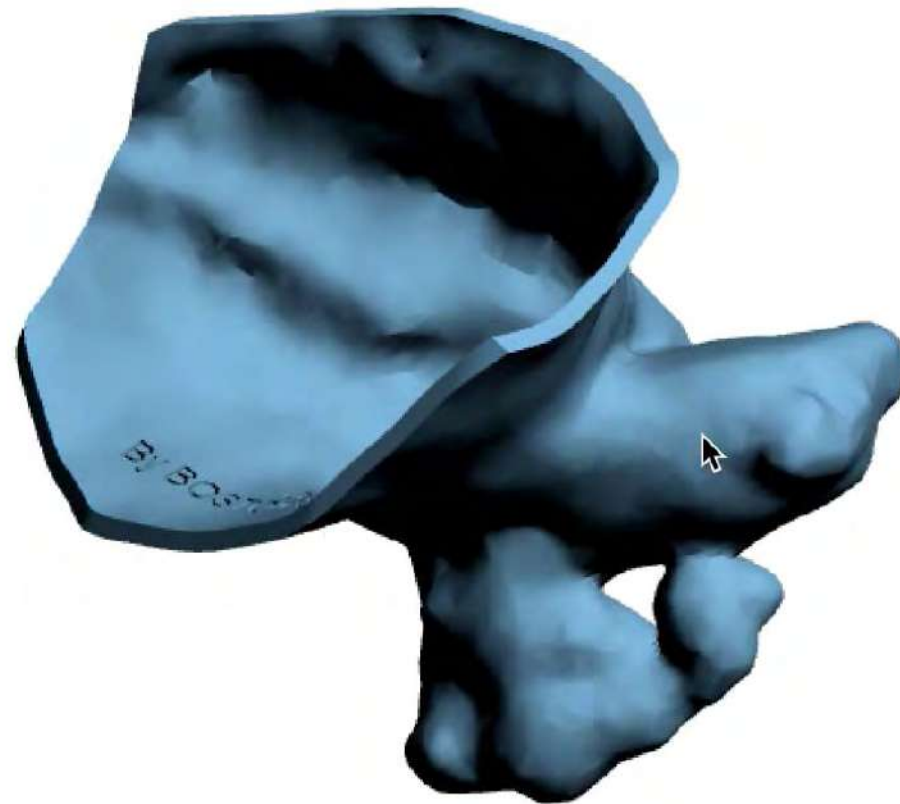
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108 bpm

# 3D食道超聲波患者 左心耳成像





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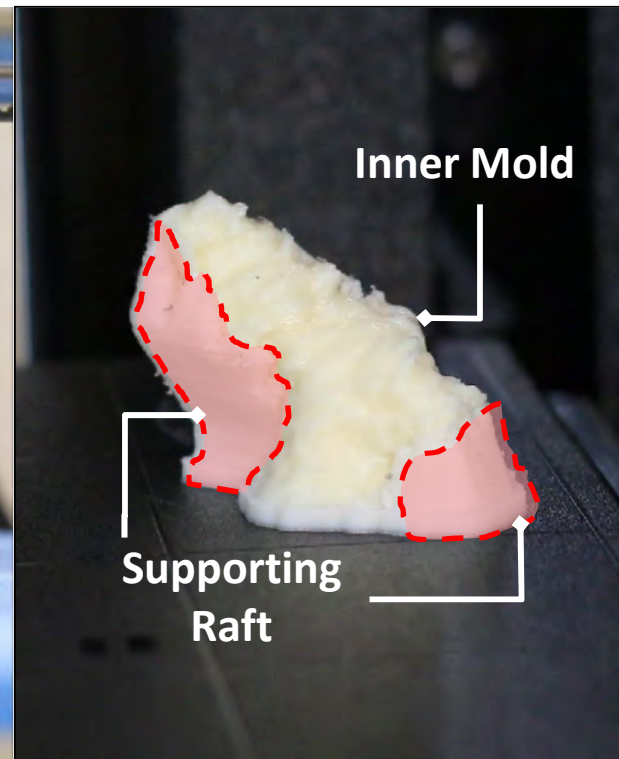
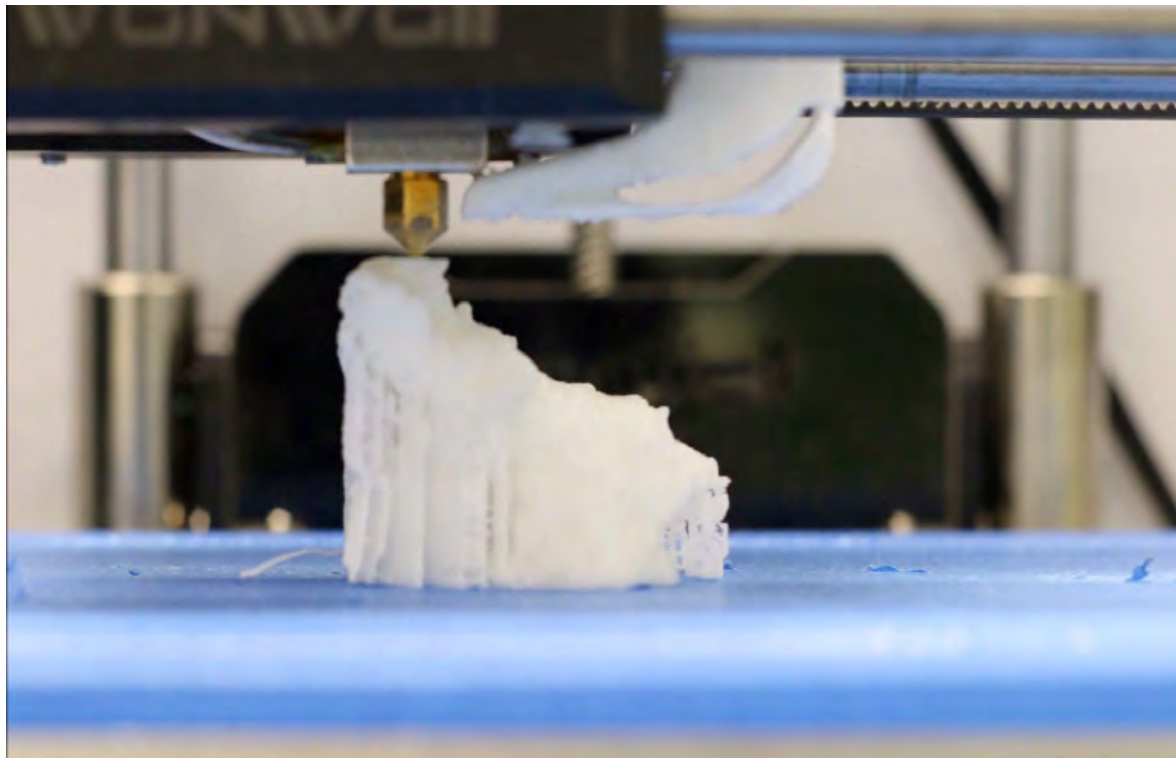
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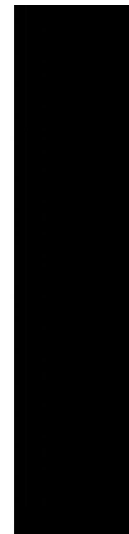
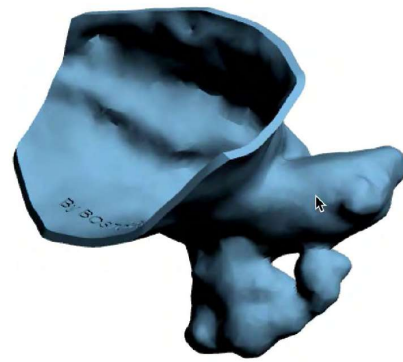
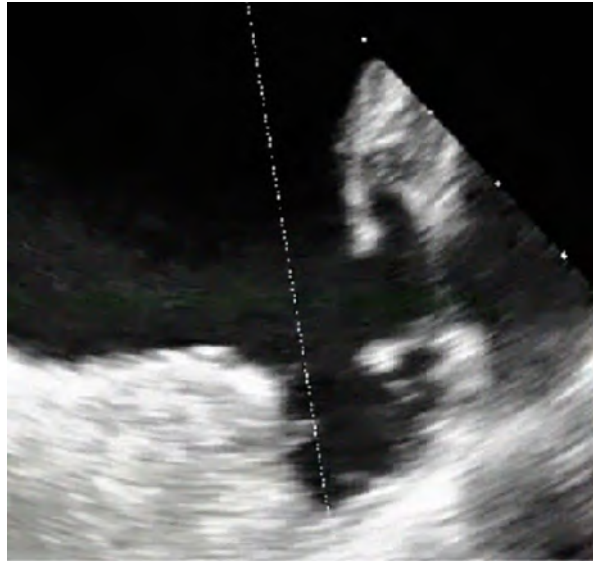


# 模具快速成型

- 內模通過3D打印技術製作，如視頻所展示：



# 在3D打印技術輔助下進行個人化心臟介入治療



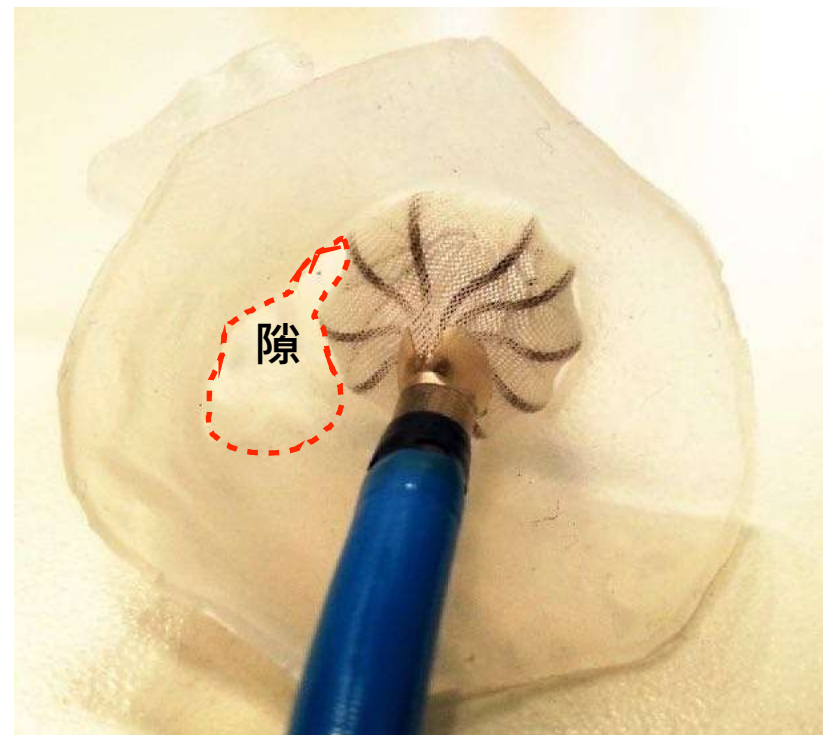
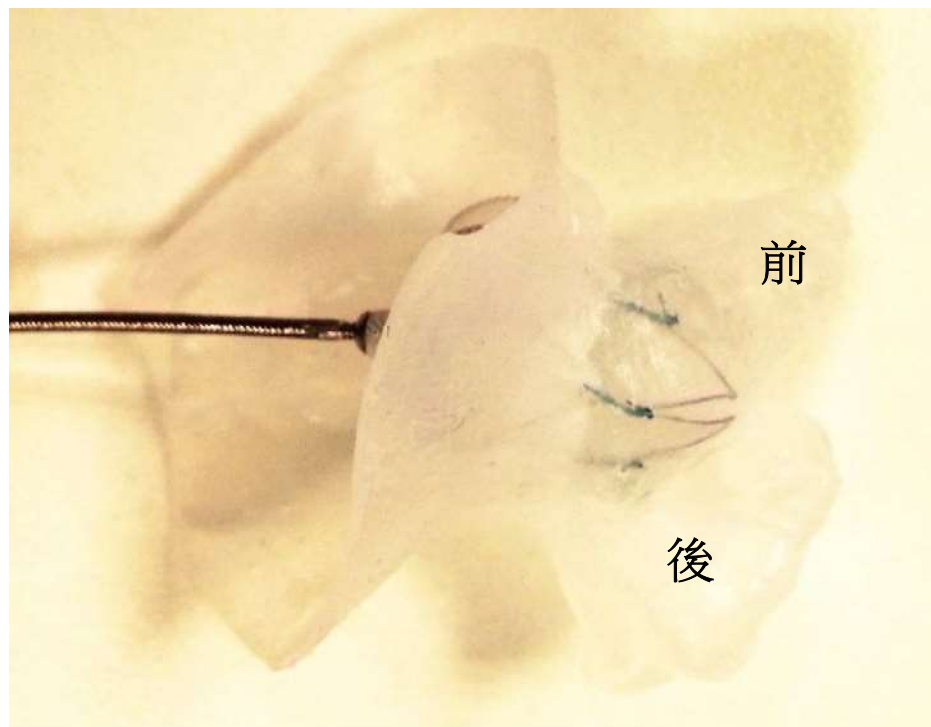
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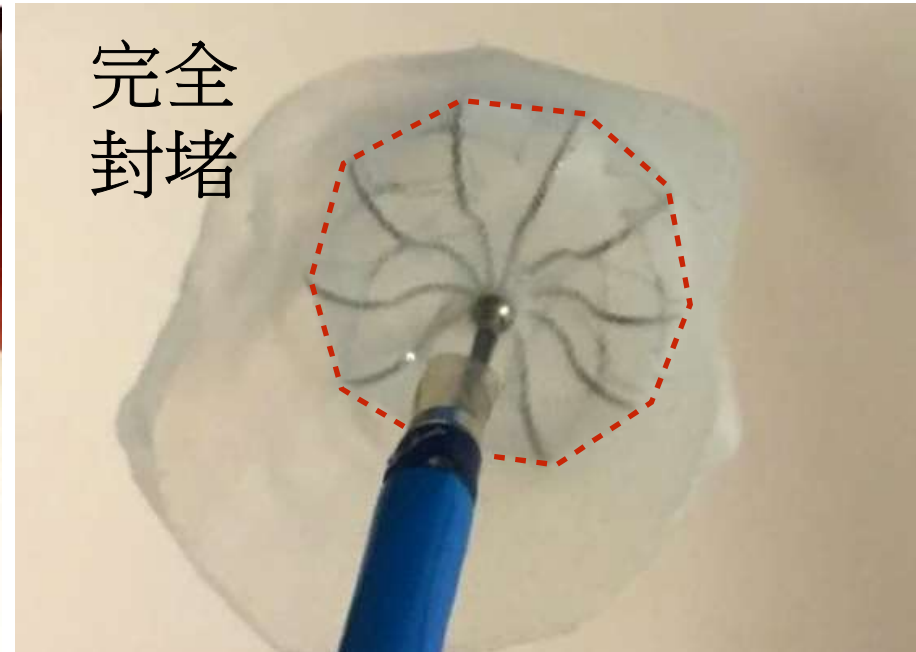
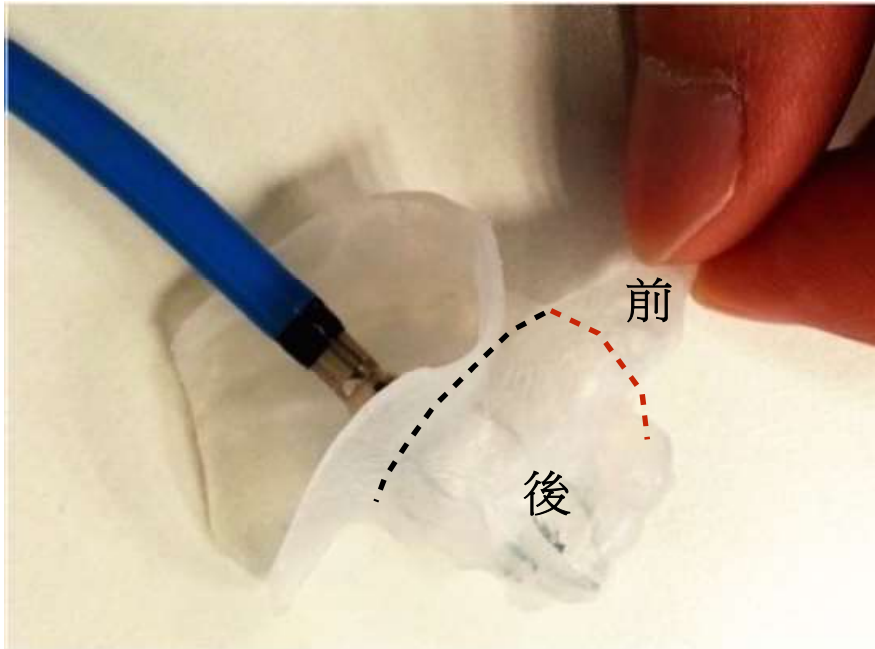


在3D打印左心耳模型上進行個人化導管手術模擬



# 24mm封堵器放在左心耳前葉





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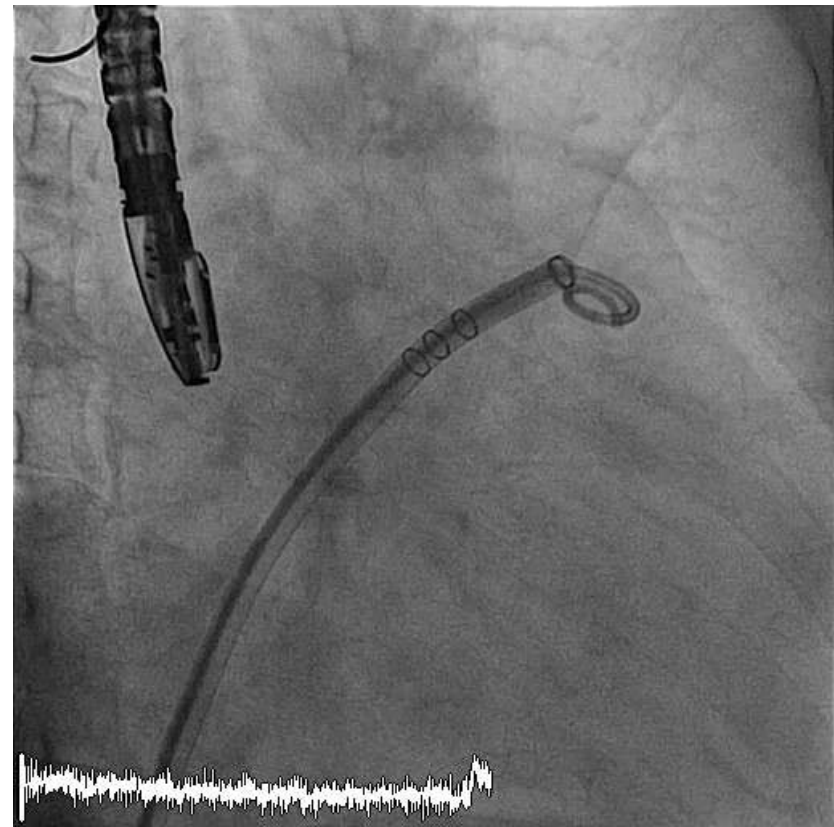
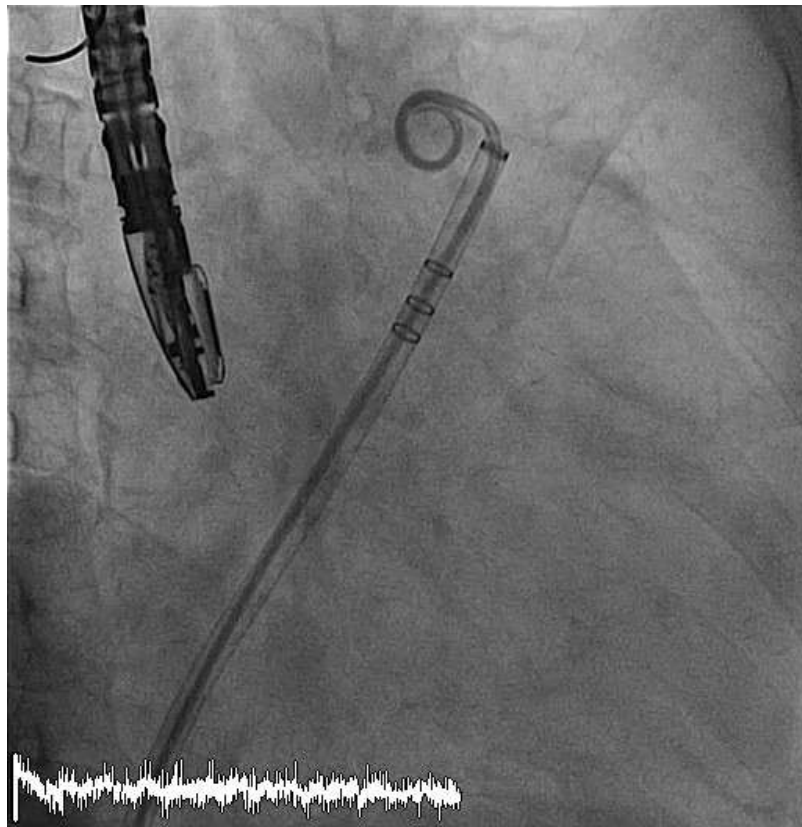
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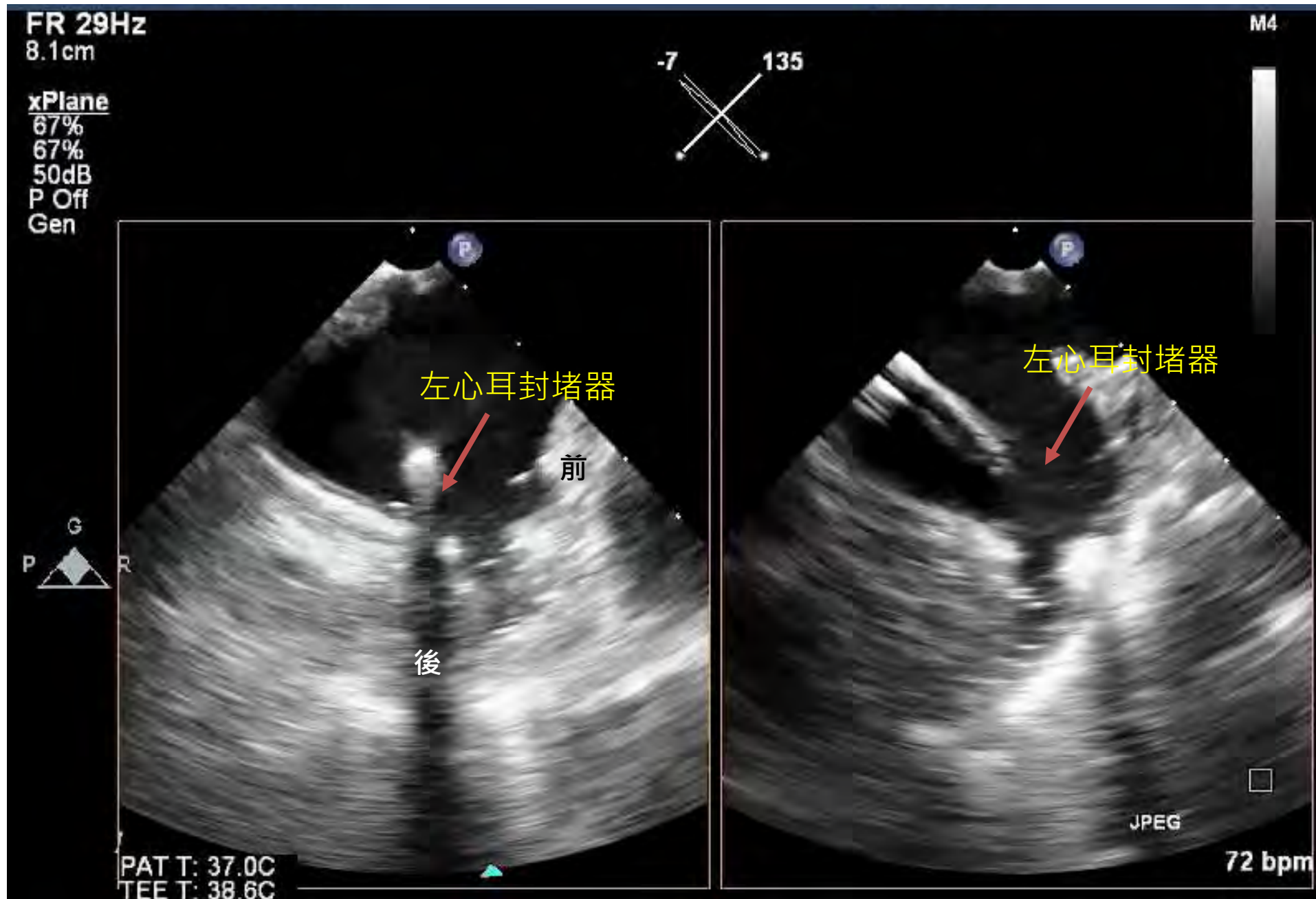
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# 手術中左心耳顯影影像

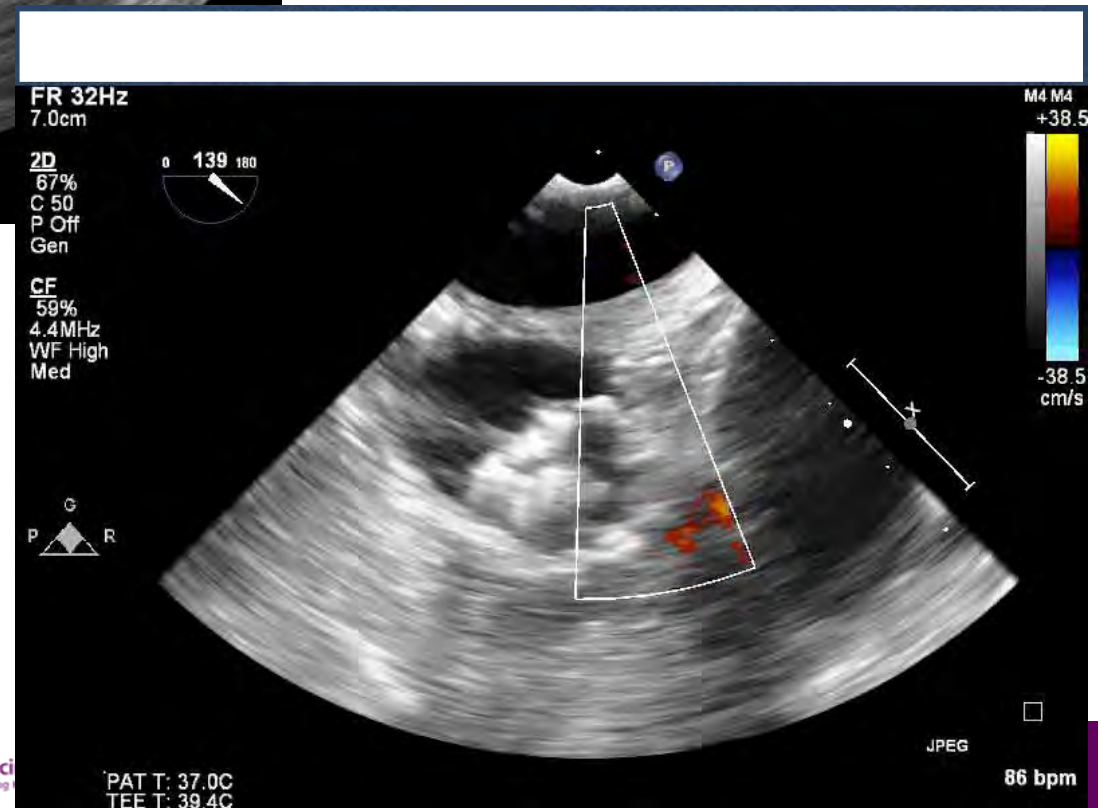
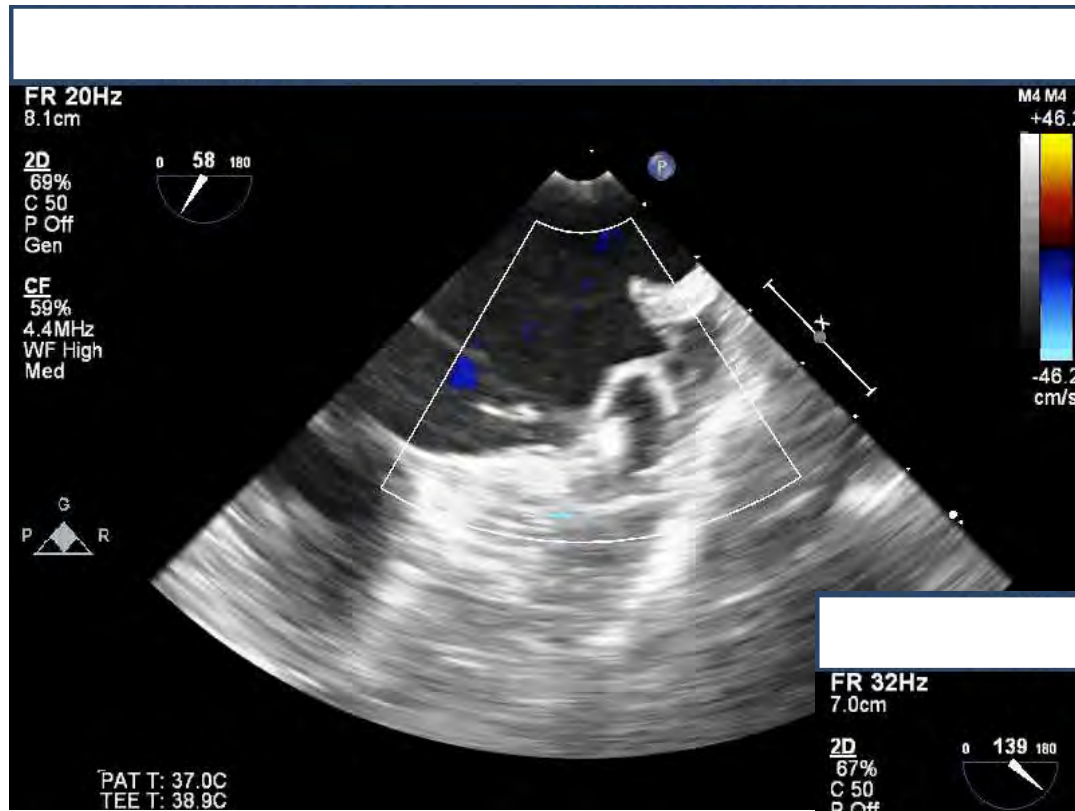


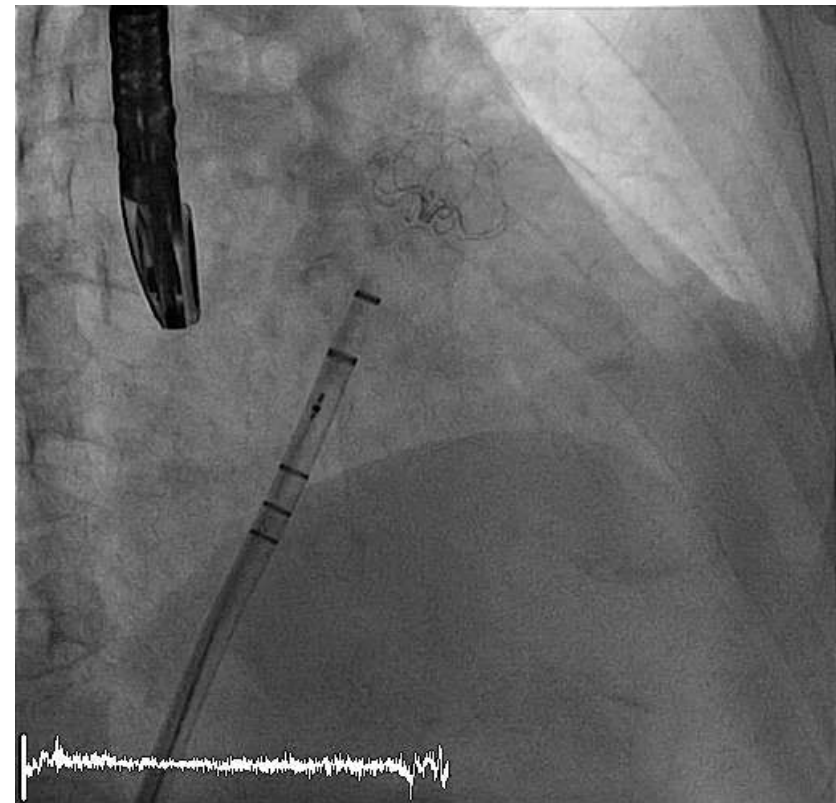
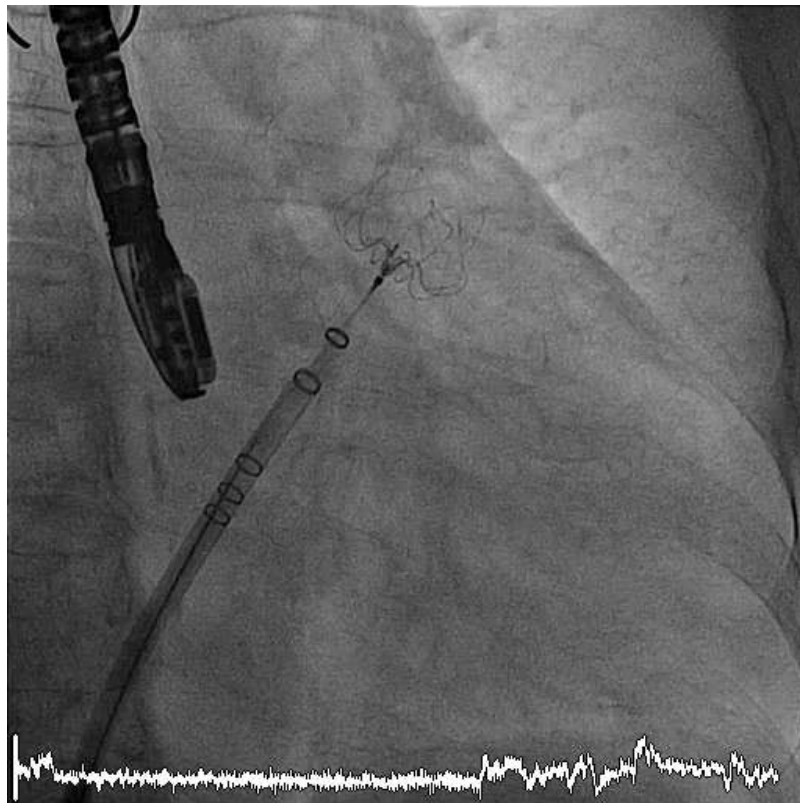
# 手術中心臟超聲波圖像





# 手術後心臟超聲波圖像





24mm封堵器放在左心耳, 牢固地封堵整個心耳!



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手術前個人化  
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真實手術成  
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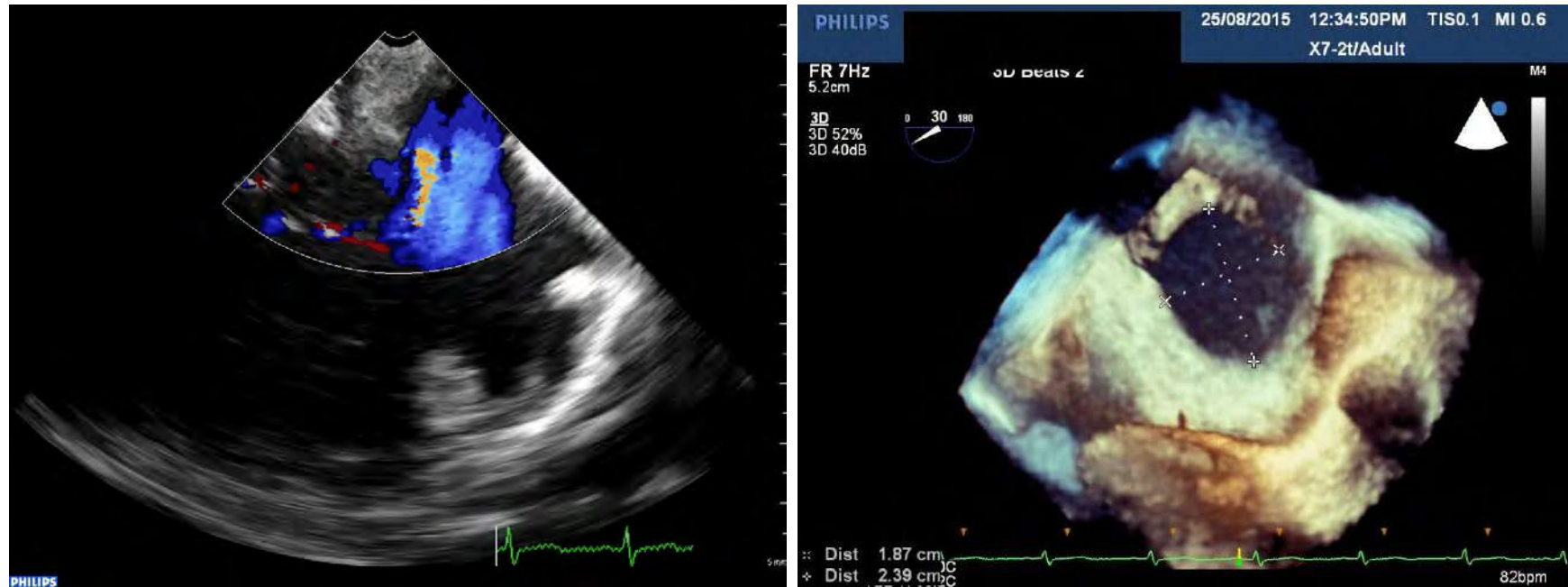
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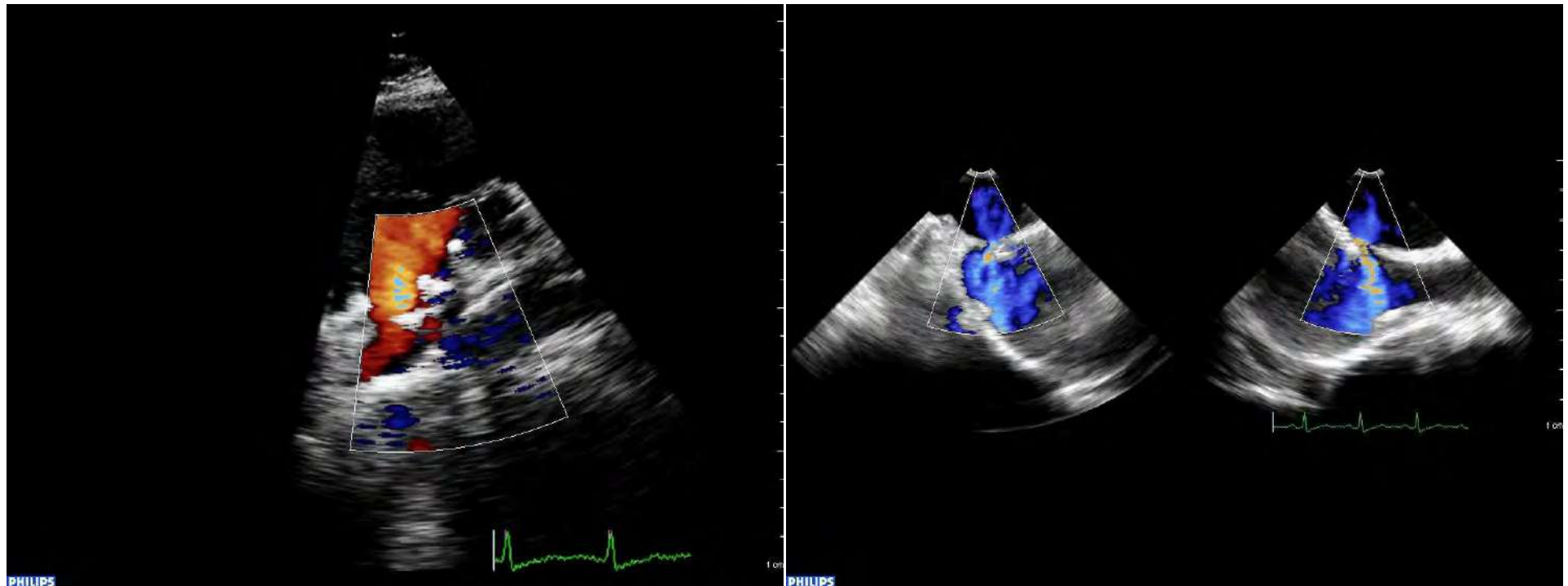
# Case 2

## F/56

- Shortness of breath x 6 months
- Echo showed large ASD with hemodynamically significant left to right shunt
- Percutaneous ASD closure with 30mm Cocoon ASD device in Sep 2015

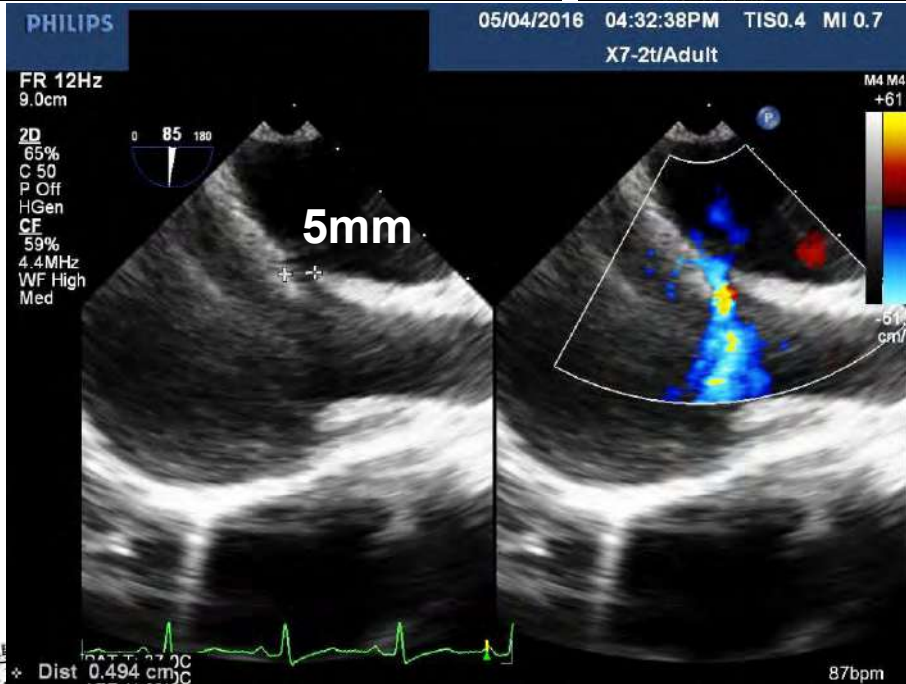
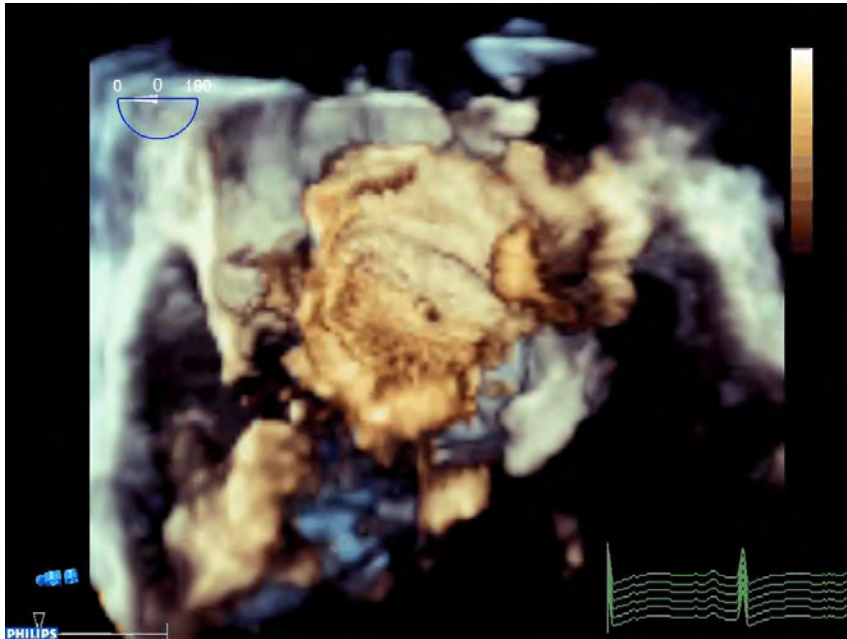


# Persistent shortness of breath on exertion 6 months after ASD closure



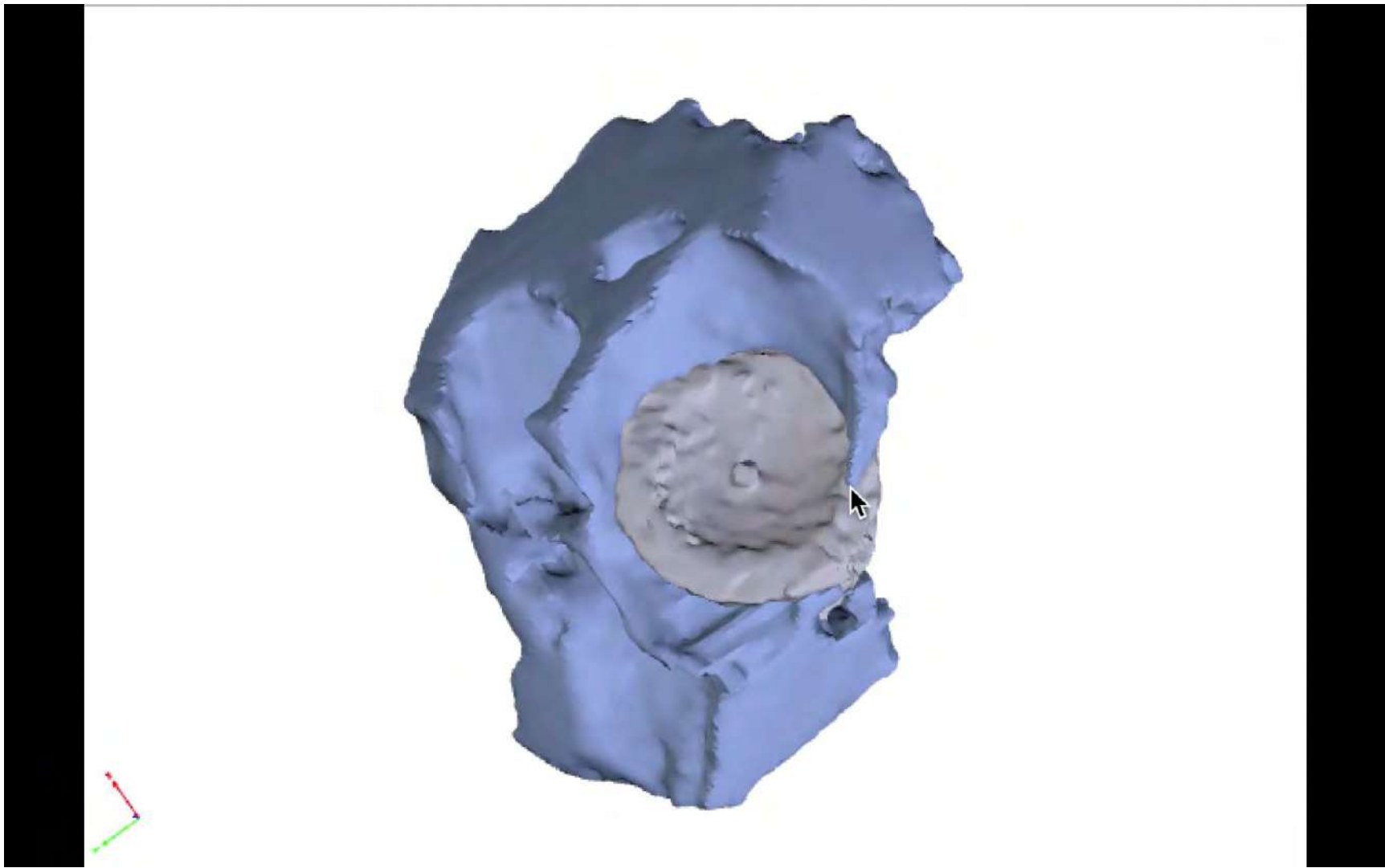
**Echo at 6 months confirmed significant residual leak around the upper and posterior edge of the device**

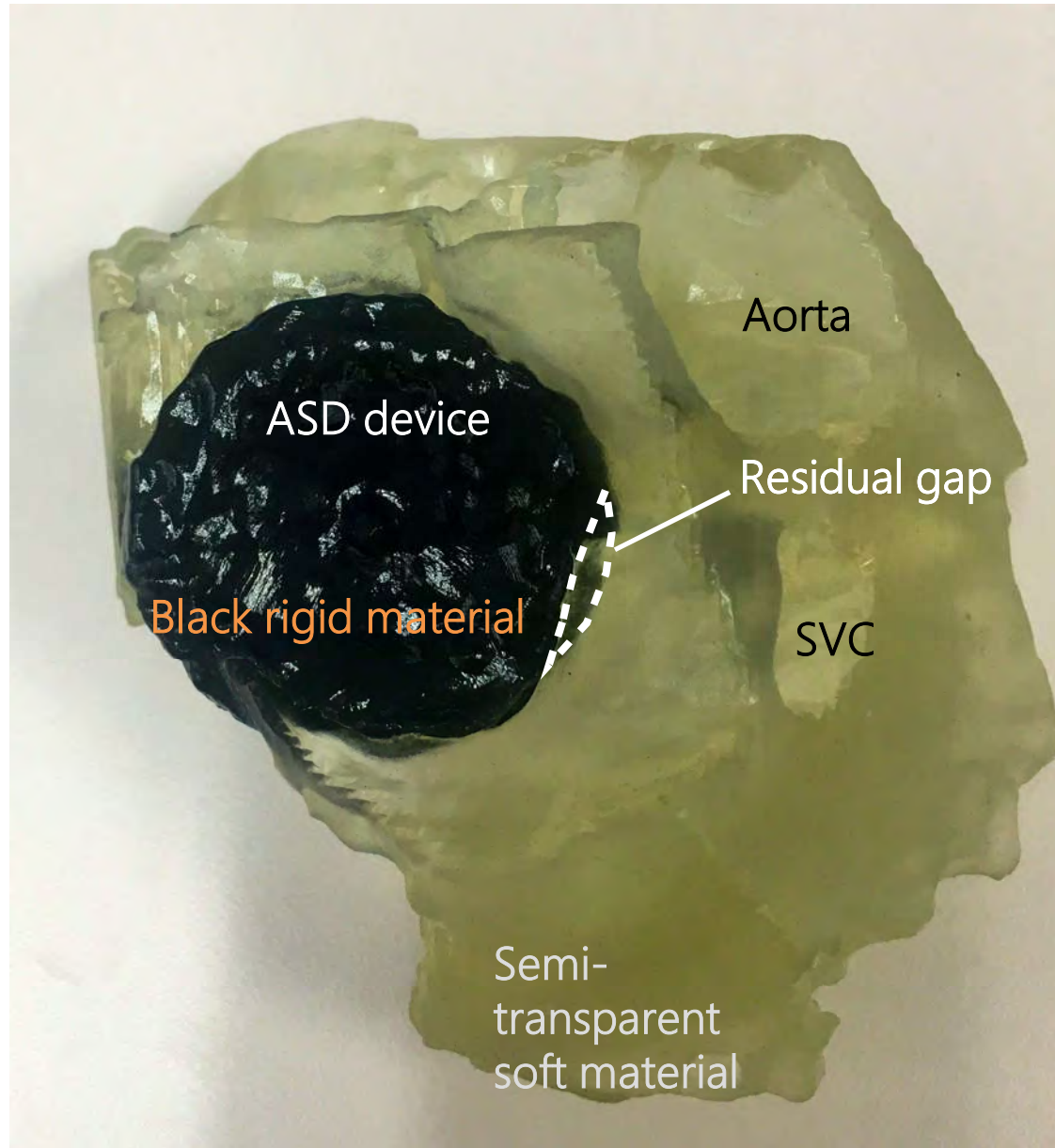




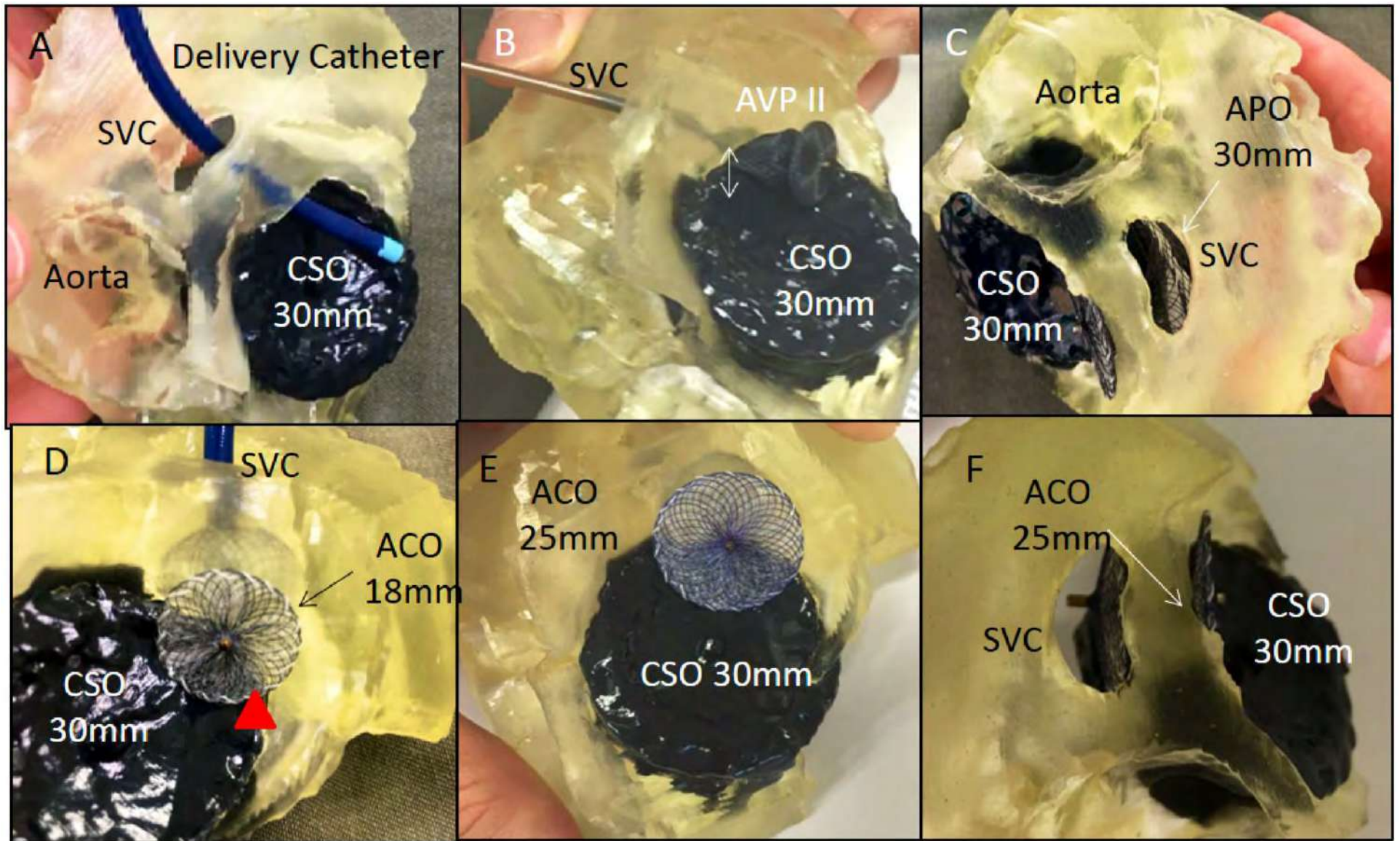
3D TEE shows a crescent-shaped gap 17 x 5mm

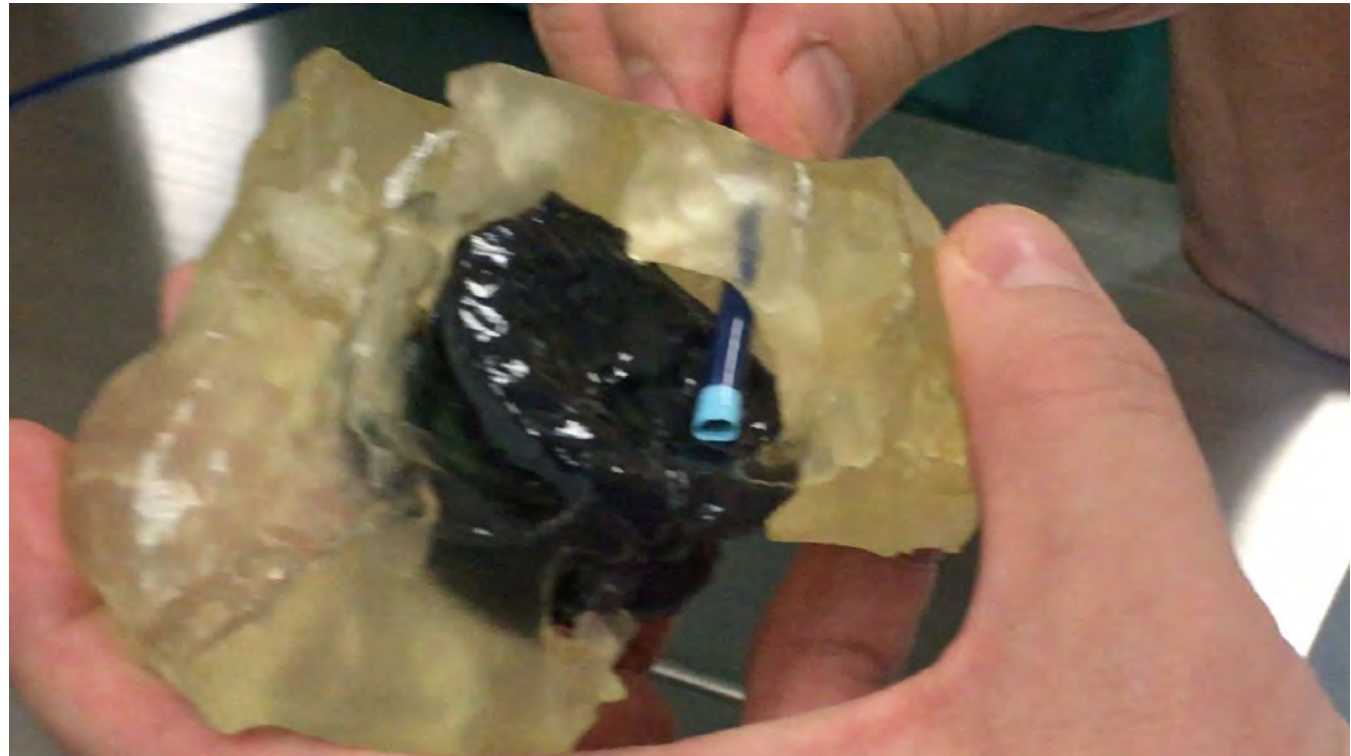












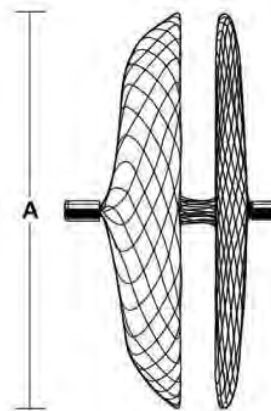
### Testing result

Defect coverage - Ok

Device stability - Ok

Device endothelialization - Ok

Device impingement - Ok



“Cribriform” septal occluder  
Left disc = Right disc = 18mm

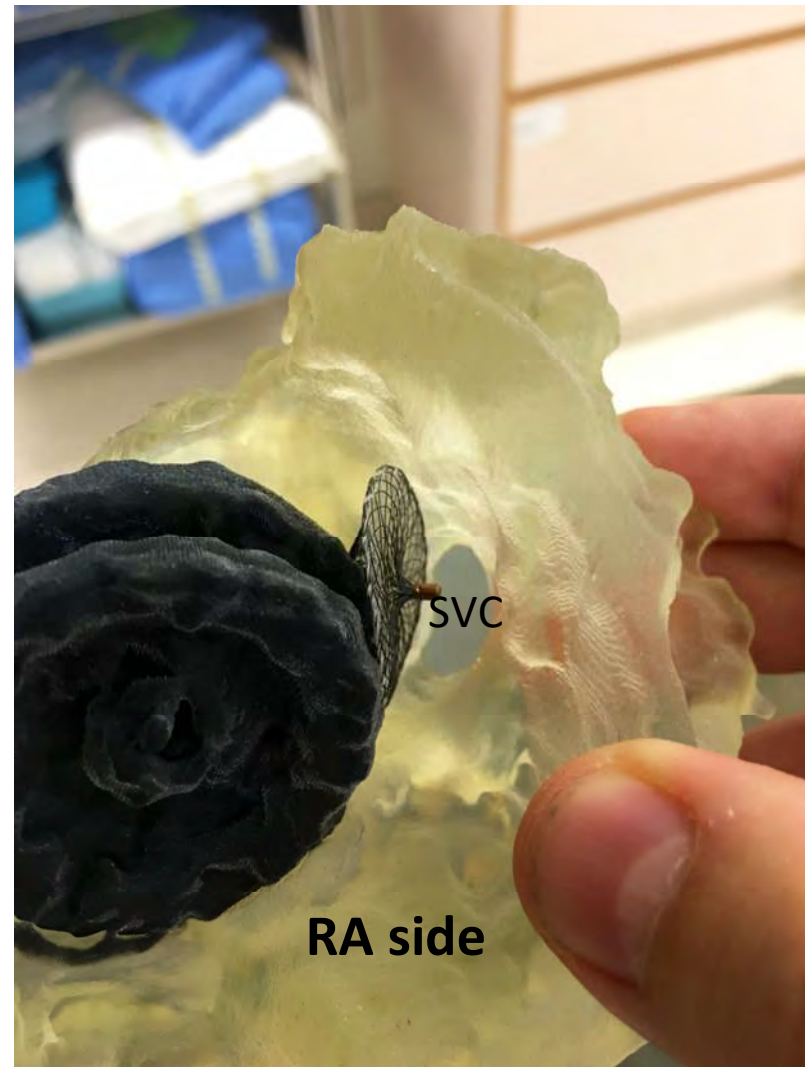
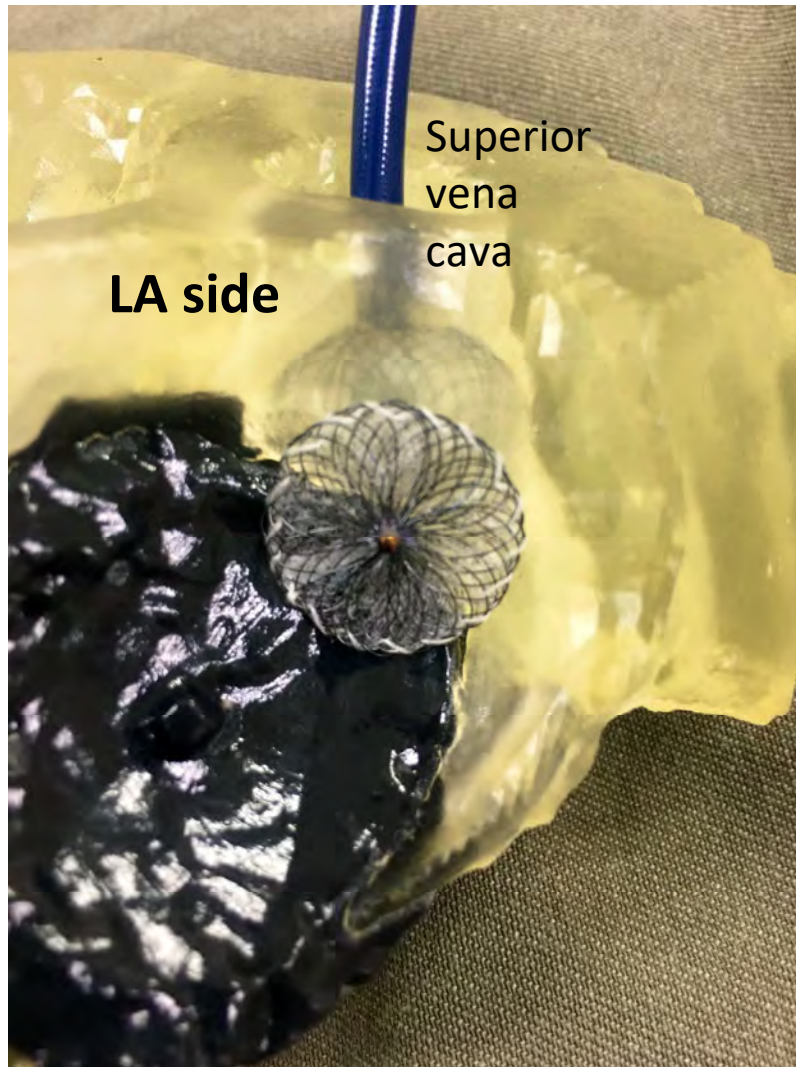


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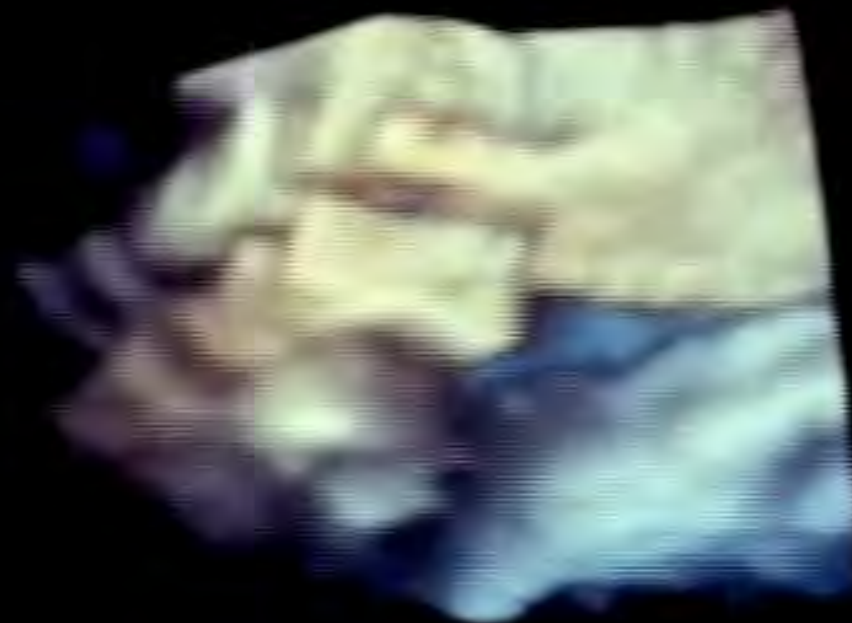
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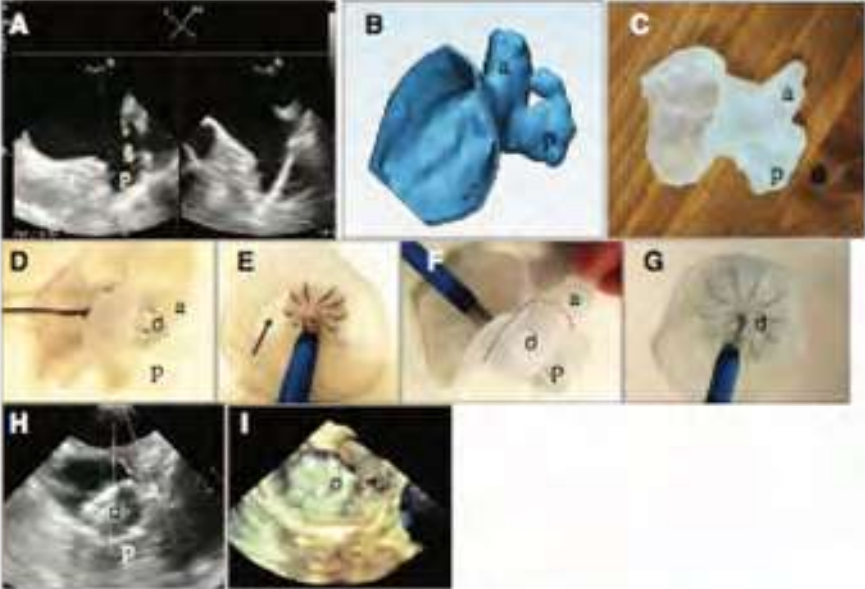
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# Personalised planning for percutaneous structural heart intervention

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**Three-Dimensional Printing for Planning Occlusion Procedure for a Double-Lobed Left Atrial Appendage**  
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# 3D Printing Projected Industry Growth

Exhibit 11: Primary Global AM Market  
US\$ in millions, unless otherwise stated



2020: US\$11 Billions

Source: Credit Suisse estimates.



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## some updates



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# The Heart Print Project Team

## 編心計劃

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- **Cardiac surgery:** Randolph Wong
- **Radiology:** Simon Yu
- **Cardiology (Heart failure):** Erik Wong
- **Cardiology (interventionists):** Gary Cheung, Eugene Wu, Anna Chan
- **Post-doc/PhD students:**
  - Yiting Fan
  - Fan Yang
- **Mechanical engineering:** Ka-wai Kwok, Paddy Chan (HKU)
- **Computer sciences:** Kenneth Wong (HKU), Pheng Ann Heng (CUHK), Liang Zhao (University of Technology, Sydney)
- **RA:** Zhiyang, Martin





Research and Development on  
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Reconstruction of Mitral Valve  
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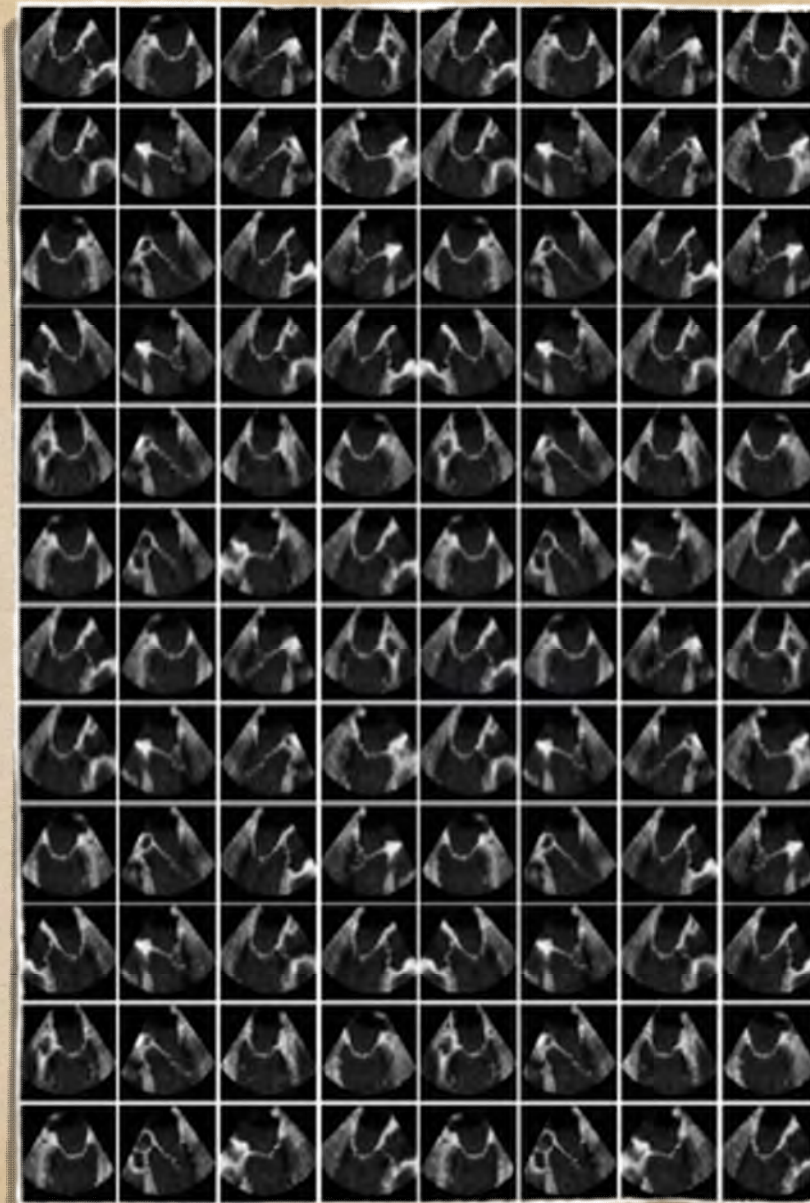
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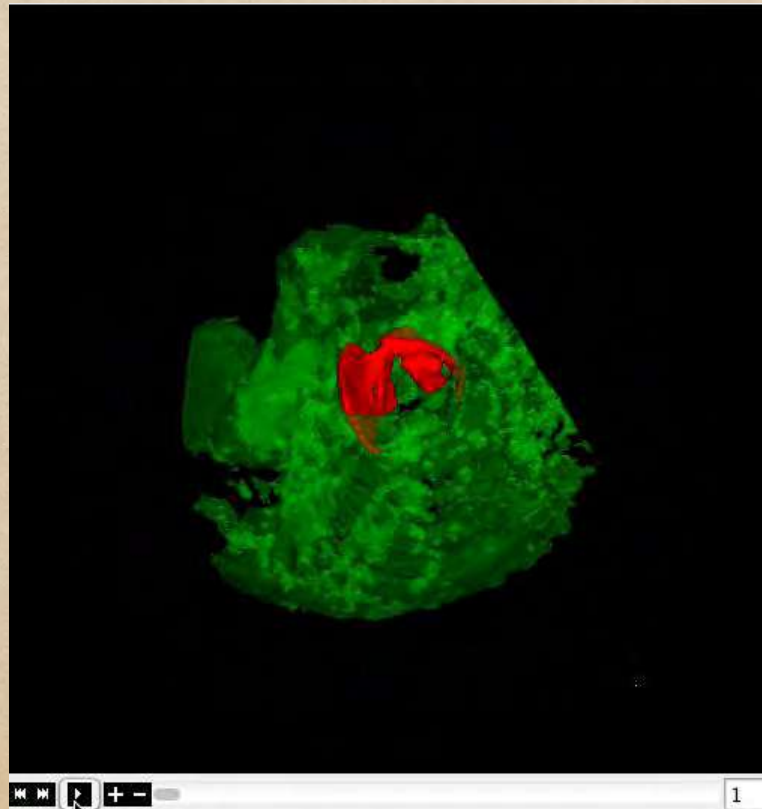


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# 4D Visualisation Result

- Patient #23 (functional mitral regurgitation)





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# Development of 3D-Printed Cardiovascular Models for Personalised Structural Intervention

## Project Coordinator:

Prof. Alex Lee, Department of Medicine and Therapeutics, CUHK

## Research Team Members:

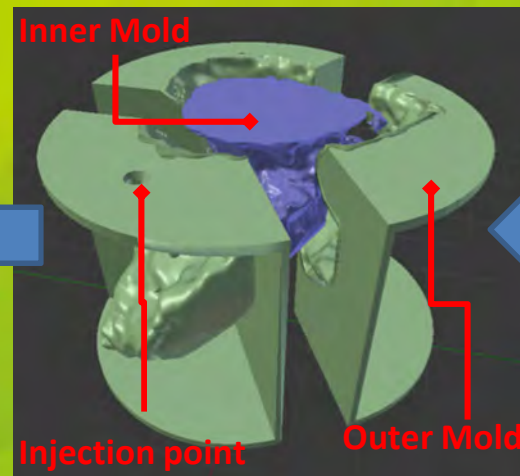
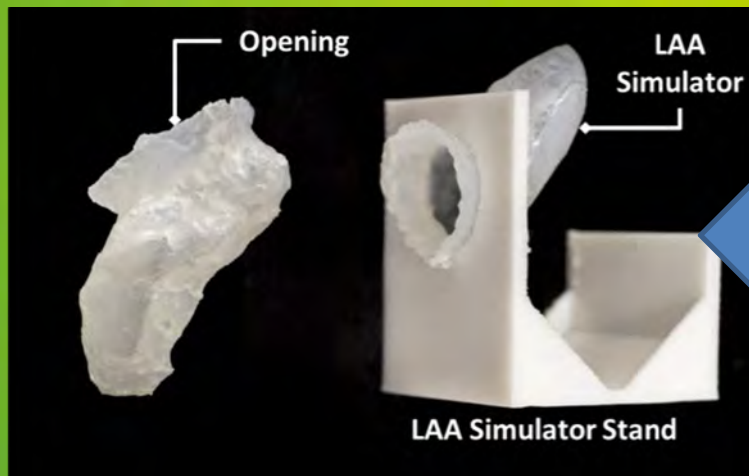
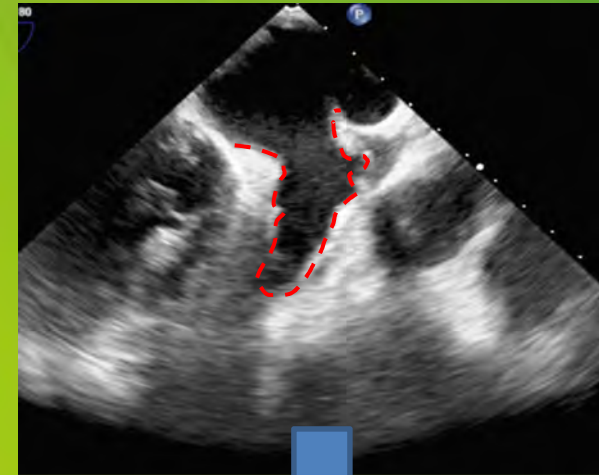
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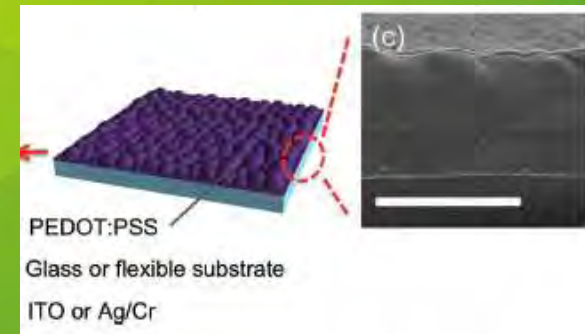
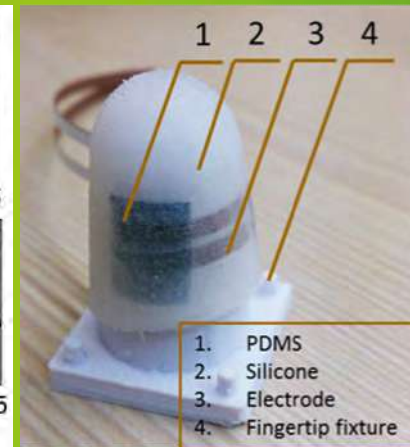
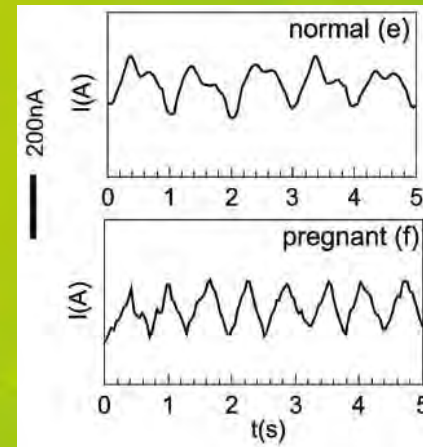
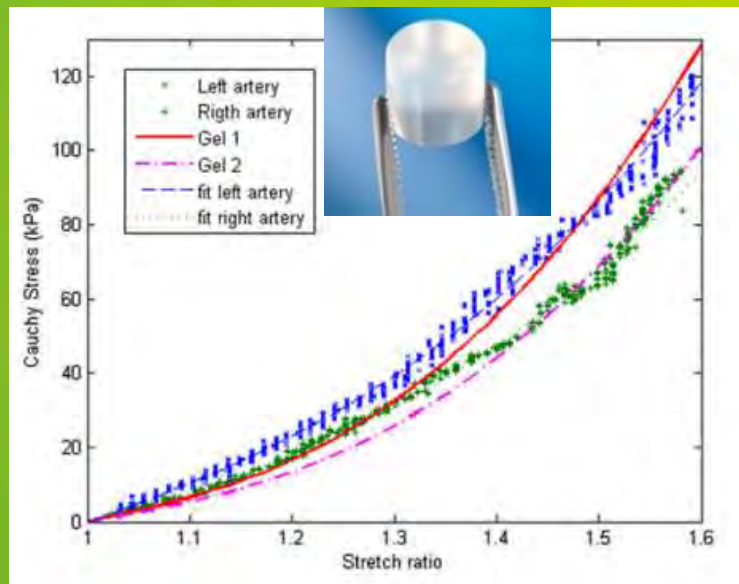
# Intra-LAA Model Fabrication for Occluder Placement

- Left atrium appendage (LAA) of heart in 3D can be obtained through 3D-TEE imaging data
- Features of the LAA model will be extracted/segmented using our computer interface
- Silicone elastomer cured at a slightly raised temperature (at  $\sim 45^{\circ}\text{C}$ )
- Software will be developed to *optimize* the CAD design of inner and outer mold for casting the silicone



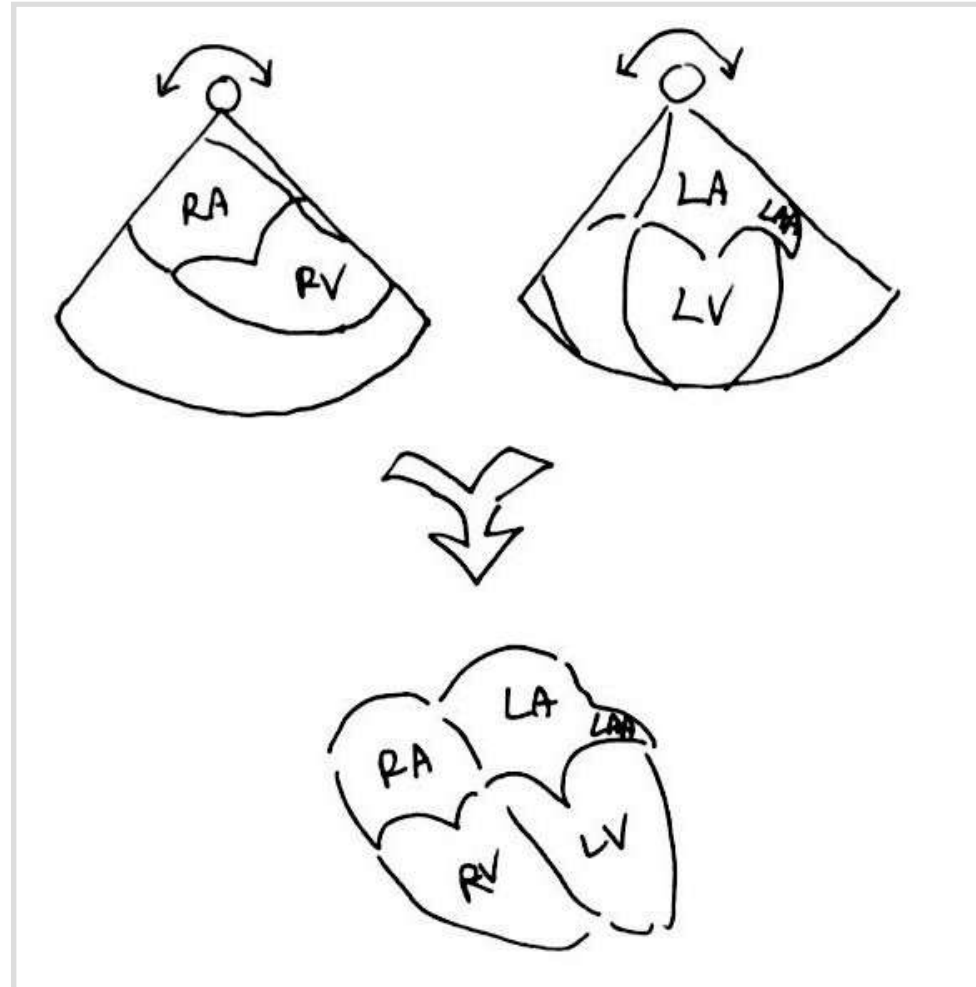
# Integration with Force Sensor for Validation

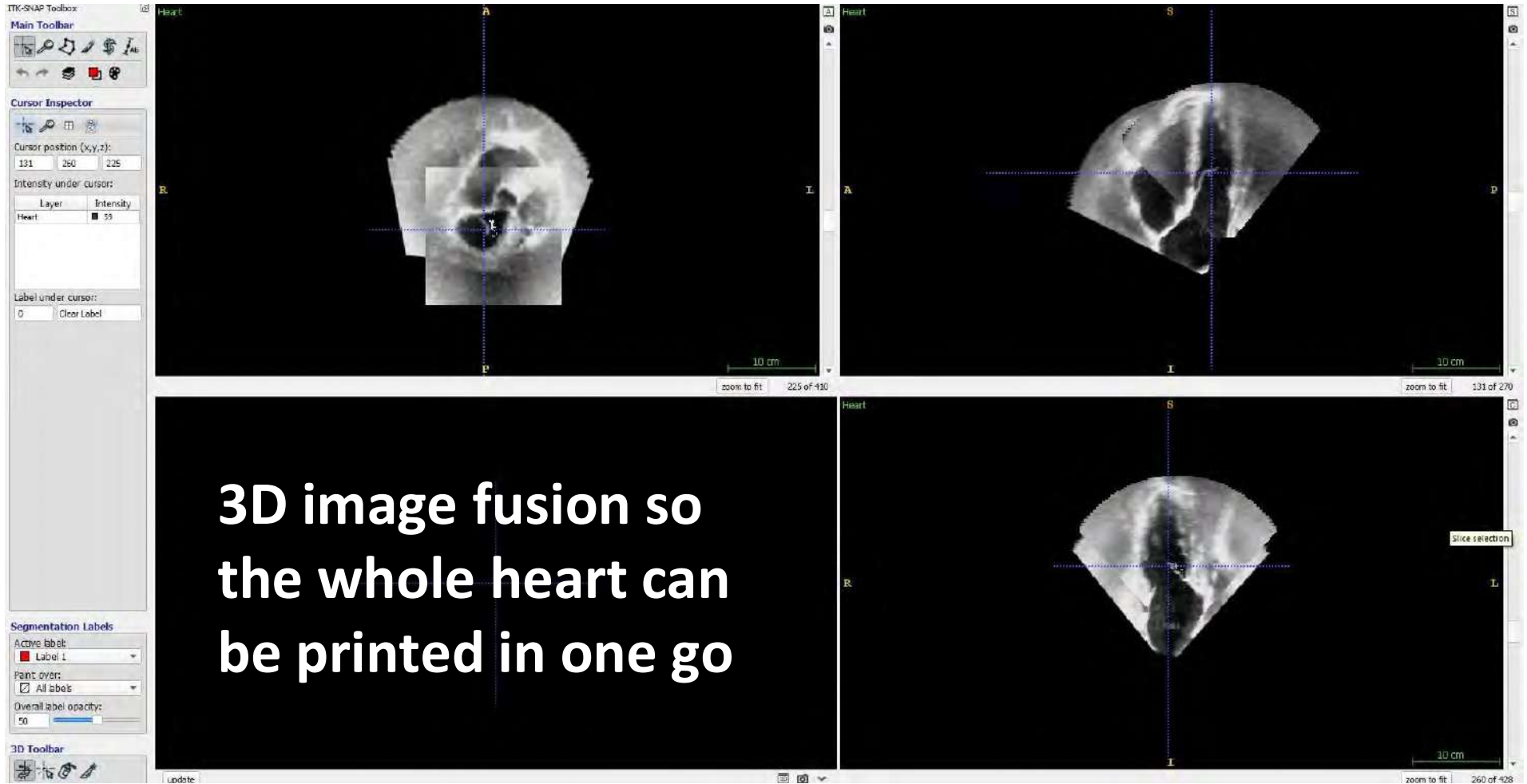
- Advanced biomimetic materials (e.g. PVA cryogel) will be used to fabricate the LAA phantom
- Providing more similar mechanical property with the actual LAA tissue
- PDMS-based pressure sensor (high sensitivity: 851 k/Pa; board range up to 20kPa, low-power consumption: 100nW) will be integrated with the LAA model to validate the fitness of occluder in LAA



- Pazos, V., Mongrain, R. and Tardif, J. "Polyvinyl alcohol cryogel: Optimizing the parameters of cryogenic treatment using hyperelastic models," *J Mech Behav Biomed Mater*, 2009
- Wang Z, Chan PK, et al., "High Sensitivity, Wearable, Piezoresistive Pressure Sensors Based on Irregular Microhump Structures and Its Applications in Body Motion Sensing," *Small*, 2016

# Echo has limited field of view





Courtesy of Dr Liang Zhao, University of Technology, Sydney

# Potential benefits of 3D printing for personalised CV procedural planning

- Facilitate planning for complex cases
- Simulation training
- Patient education
- Reduce procedural time (hence save money)
- Increase safety (hence save money)





明報周刊

# 3D 醫學打印

Tailor made 治療新趨勢



中大醫學院心臟科名譽臨牀助理教授張誠謙醫生

## 可應用於複雜心臟手術

傳統以外，3D打印技術在心臟手術來說，起到關鍵的輔助作用。中文大學心臟科最近聯同香港大學機械工程系合作，成功將3D打印技術應用在複雜的左心耳封堵術個案中。心臟結構非常複雜，而左心耳尺寸、形狀，更被指像指紋般，人人不盡相同，因而大大增加手術難度。

中大醫學院心臟科名譽臨牀助理教授張誠謙醫生解釋，左心耳封堵手術通常應用於患

## 假體左心耳 作術前預習

他又指，因左心耳形狀人人不一，有些像西蘭花、有些似龍蝦爪，可現存的封堵器只得幾種尺寸，未必所有病人也適用。如最終封堵器形狀不適合病人，無論是太大、太小，或堵塞的方位不當，都有機會令其鬆掉，或令血液滲漏，影響手術成效；「若部分病人需要動手術取回不適合的封堵器，因封堵器周圍有牽索，負責穩固左心耳瓣膜，收回導管時，有機會刺穿左心耳壁，可導致心包出血、嚴重會死亡，需做開胸手術修補破損位置。」

## 積極行大型研究，提升準確度



中大心臟科醫生張誠謙，是中大與港大的合研專案已在醫學雜誌《Circulation: Cardiovascular Intervention》發表。



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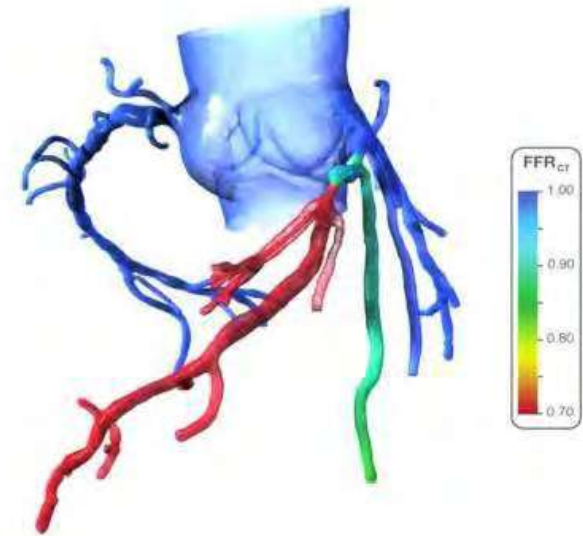


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# Fractional flow reserve-computed tomography (FFR-CT)

- 60% of patients sent to cath lab for elective coronary angiography have non-obstructive CAD
- CT angiography: excellent sensitivity, modest specificity
- The Achilles heel of CT angiography has been intermediate lesions
- FFR-CT provides functional information of lesions and improves specificity
- Limitation: Turn-around time at remote sites (3-6h)



# Advances in Cardiac MRI

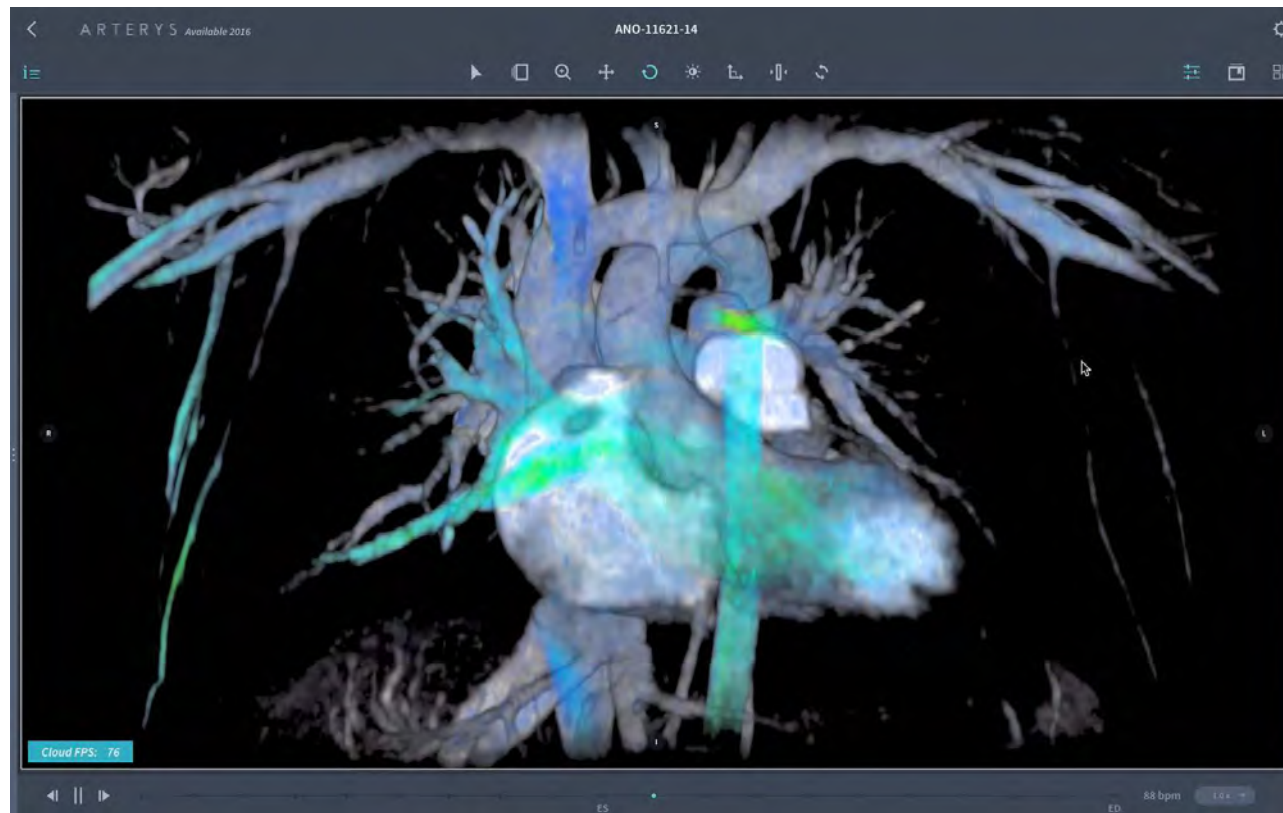
## Simplification and Reducing Time for Scans

- Despite excellent soft tissue imaging with zero radiation:
  - 1% of all MRI exam
  - Time consuming (>1h per 3D scan)



# Simplification and Reducing Time for Scans

- Imaging time reduced from 70min to **8min**
- A single, free breathing exam
- Cloud-computing and deep learning technology



# Why MRI-Guided Intervention?

## ◆Pros

- High contrast soft tissue images
- No radiation
- Detect instant pathological and physiological change

## ◆Example: Cardiac EP Catheterization

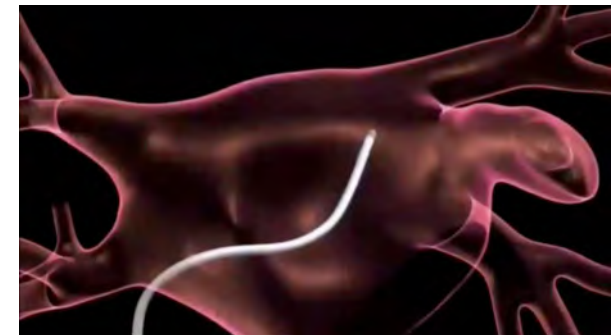
- Monitor post-ablation progress (Edema)
- Prevent tissue perforation
- Improved surgical outcome

## ◆Challenges

- Long and flexible catheter
- Safety – Strong Magnetic Field (1.5 - 3T)



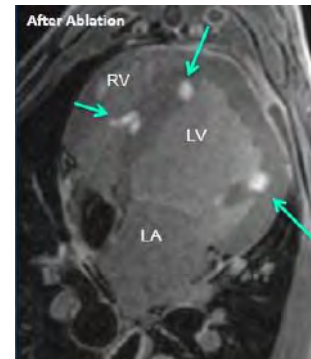
**VISIUS® Intra-operative MRI system**



**Isolation of Pulmonary vein**

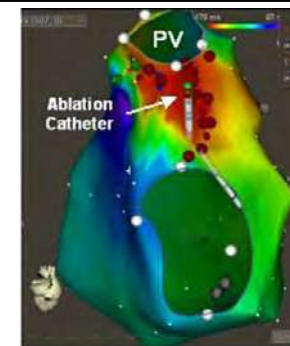


**Ablation Catheter  
(~1.5m long)**



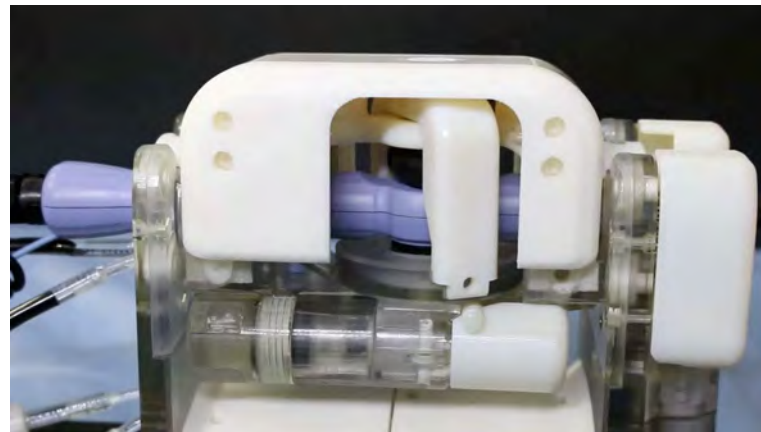
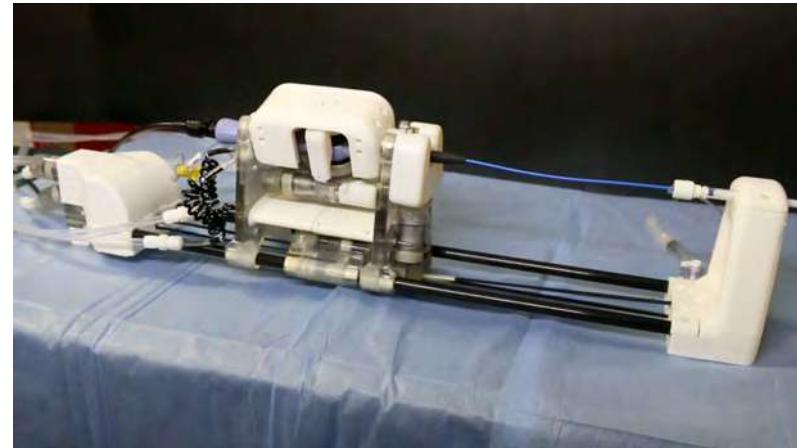
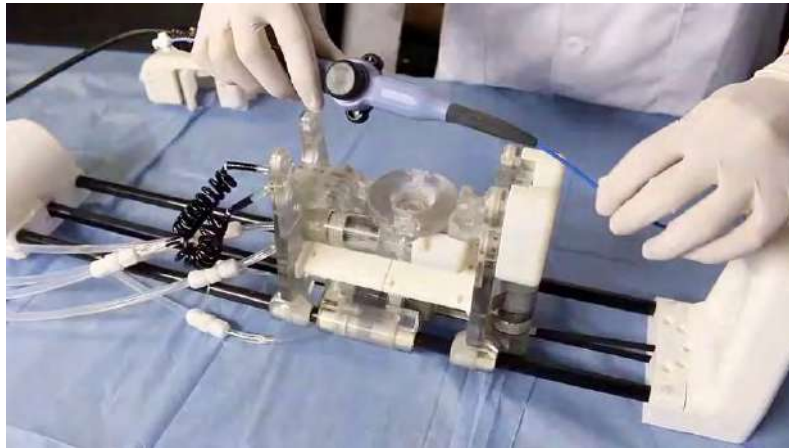
**Post-ablation Edema (MRI)**

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**SJM Velocity®  
EAM interface (Roadmap)**

# MR-conditional robotic control of cardiac catheter



Courtesy of Dr. KW Kwok, HKU Mechanical Engineering

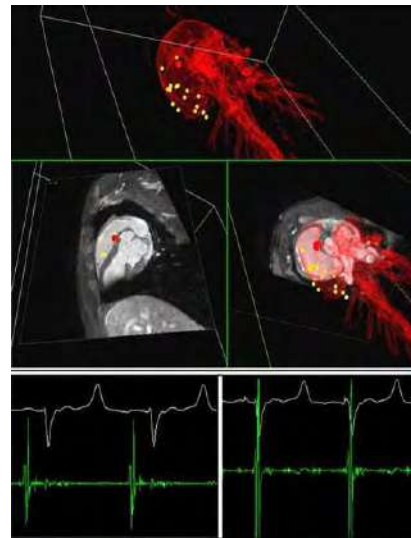


# Potential Clinical Impact

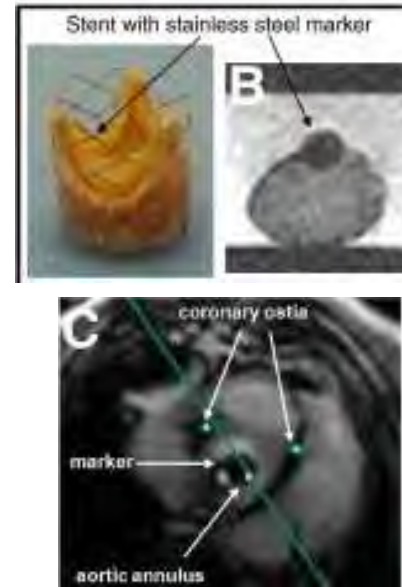
◆ Interventional Cardiovascular MRI is the future



Interventional  
CMR suite



Real-time CMR  
Electrophysiologic  
Mapping



Transcatheter aortic  
valve replacement



Real-time CMR-  
guided myocardial  
biopsy

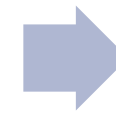
MRI-guided  
Intervention

- Excellent tissue contrast, free from radiation



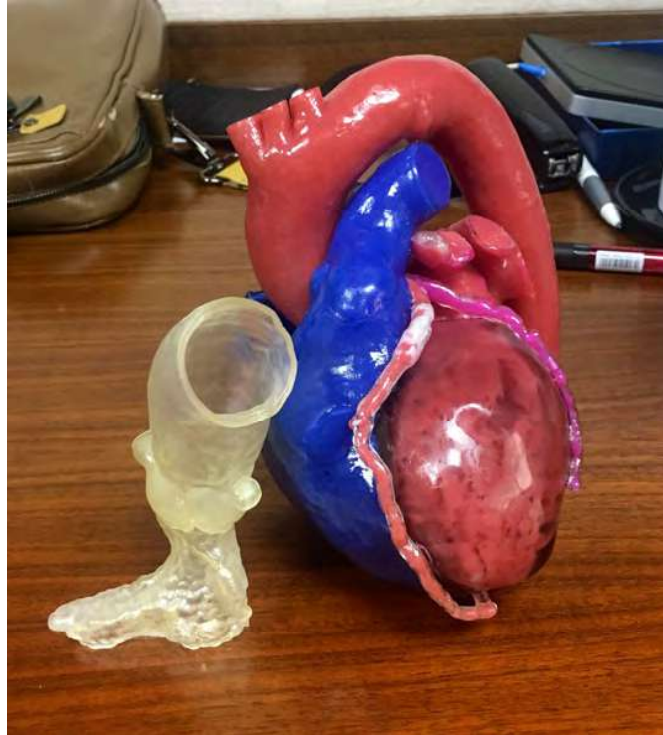
Robotic catheter  
control

- Catheter stability and precision, reduce procedural time and complication, increase success rate



MR-based Robotic  
Intervention





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