



***Advanced echocardiographic parameters
of volume status in CHF with renal failure***

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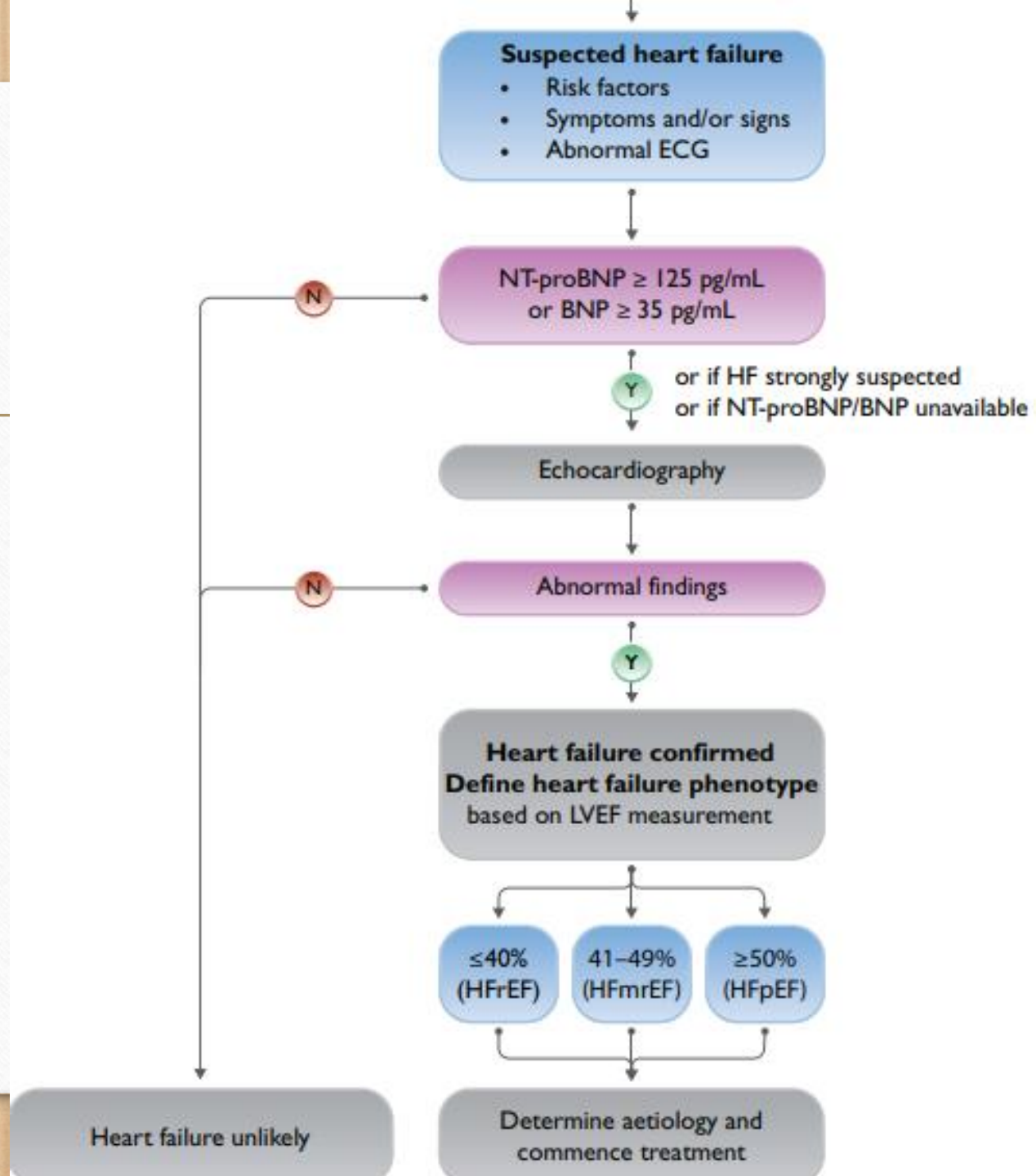
ESC GUIDELINES

2021 ESC Guidelines for the diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic heart failure

Developed by the Task Force for the diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic heart failure of the European Society of Cardiology (ESC)

With the special contribution of the Heart Failure Association (HFA) of the ESC





*Incidence of HF in known CKD: **17% to 21%***

*Reduced eGFR**increased risk of** all-cause mortality, cardiovascular mortality, and hospitalization in patients with HFpEF or HFrEF*

*HFrEF and HFpEF (**55%** of both groups) : CKD G3a or higher (eGFR < 60 ml/min per 1.73 m²)*

***44%** of patients on hemodialysis have HF (HFpEF, or HFrEF,)*



Optimizing volume status in CKD and heart failure

Kidney Disease Outcomes Quality Initiative (*KDOQI*) guidelines

the maintenance of euvolemia is a major component of effective treatment.

Euvolemia

may be defined as a state ***of normal biventricular filling pressures*** (ie, ***right atrial pressure and pulmonary capillary wedge pressure***)

Or

The lowest filling pressure that can be achieved :

without compromising cardiac output

without significant extravascular fluid accumulation



*Most nephrologists define **euvolemia**:
the absence of clinical evidence of volume overload or volume depletion*

*many patients (particularly those with HF) may be at the prescribed
target weight*

But, are not truly euvolemic.



*We need a balance that minimizes risk of
interdialytic hypervolemia and intradialytic hypovolemia*

- In attempting to achieve postdialysis euvolemia in patients with ventricular systolic and/or diastolic dysfunction, ***hypotension during dialysis*** is a common and challenging problem, especially ***when interdialytic fluid gain*** is large.



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- ***The screening echocardiogram enables assessment of intravascular and intracardiac volumes, ventricular function, and any valve disease.***
 - Imaging should be carried out when patients on dialysis are close to dry weight,
and.

preferably on a nondialysis day for patients on hemodialysis



filling pressures evaluation in most clinical settings by

noninvasive methods

- 1-** assessment of jugular venous pressure, peripheral edema, third heart sound, lung rales
- 2-** echocardiographic findings such as inferior vena cava diameter and collapsibility, E/e' ratio)

*when the volume status of a patient remains uncertain (eg, if the patient **has persistent HF symptoms** despite apparently optimized volume status)*

referral to a cardiologist *is suggested to evaluate the risks and benefits of*

invasive hemodynamic assessment



ASE GUIDELINES AND STANDARDS

Guidelines for the Use of Echocardiography as a Monitor for Therapeutic Intervention in Adults: A Report from the American Society of Echocardiography

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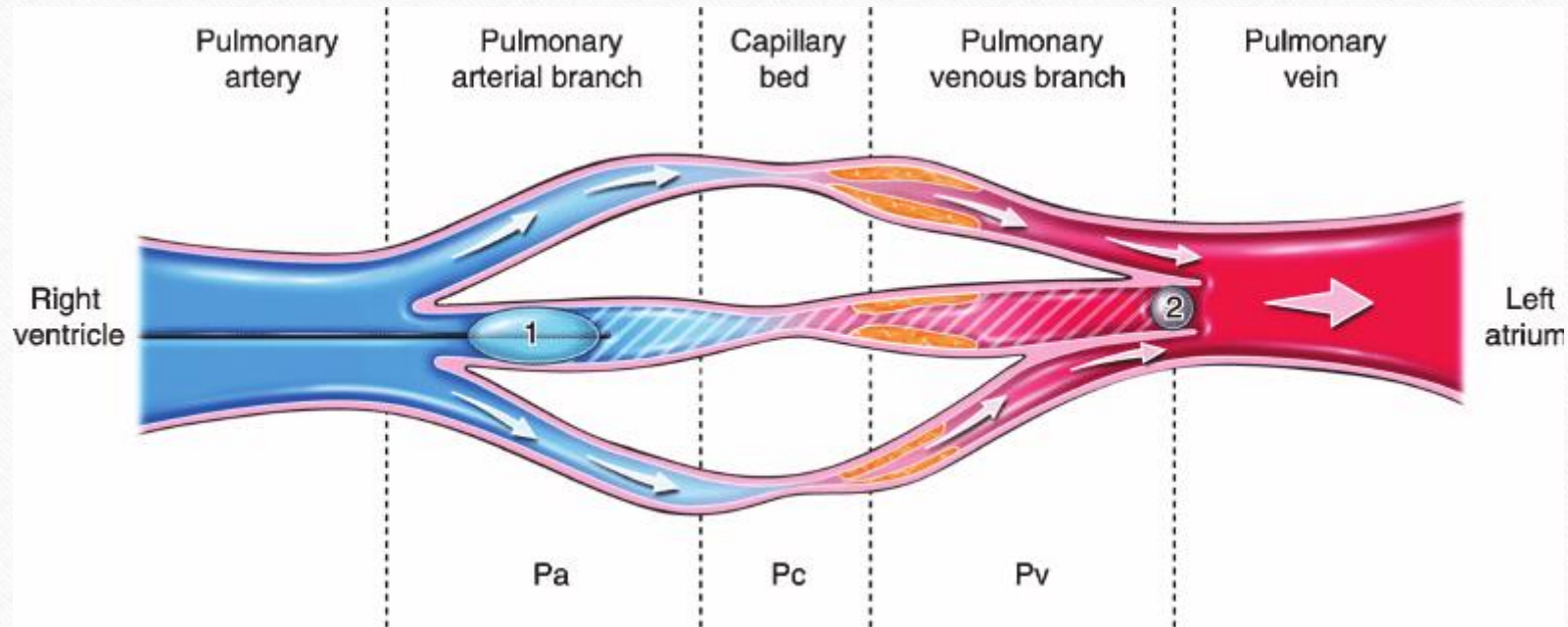
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LV filling pressure



The normal pulmonary capillary wedge pressure
4 to 12 mmHg



What is LV filling pressure?

Mean LA.

Mean PCWP_{pr}

LV.Pr - LA.Pr

Mean LV diastolic pressure

LVED_{pr}

*In early stage of diastolic dysfunction, LVED_{pr} is elevated, but mean PCWP
and LAP is normal*



HFrEF(Heart failure with reduced EF):

Increased PCWP

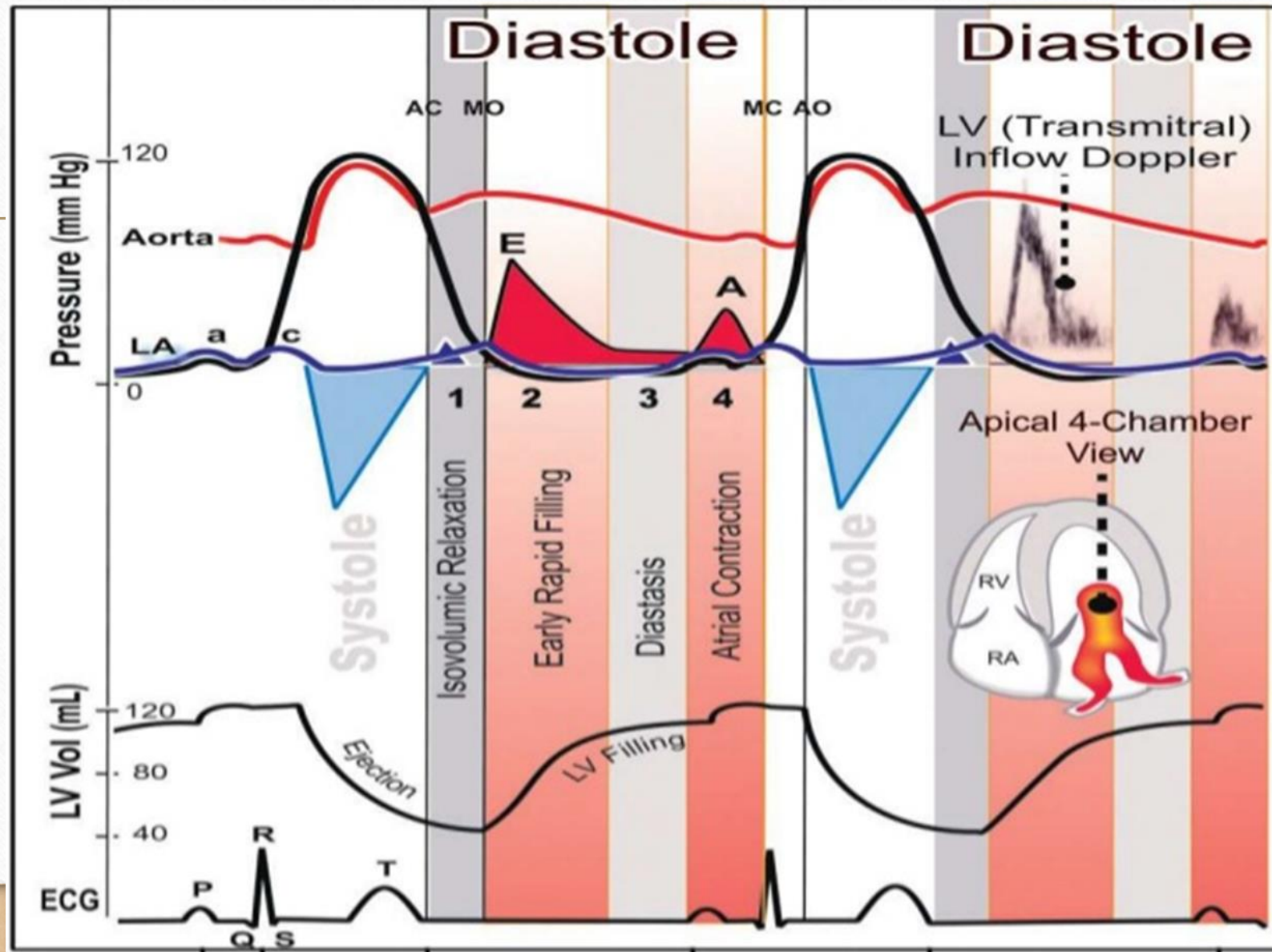
Normal PCWP

HFprEF(Heart failure with preserved EF):

Increased PCWP



Diastology



Early rapid filling phase (E wave)

-LA pressure & LA-LV pressure gradient

-myocardial relaxation (is an active, energy-dependent) and LV elastic recoil

blood is effectively “pulled” into the left ventricle)

-LV diastolic stiffness

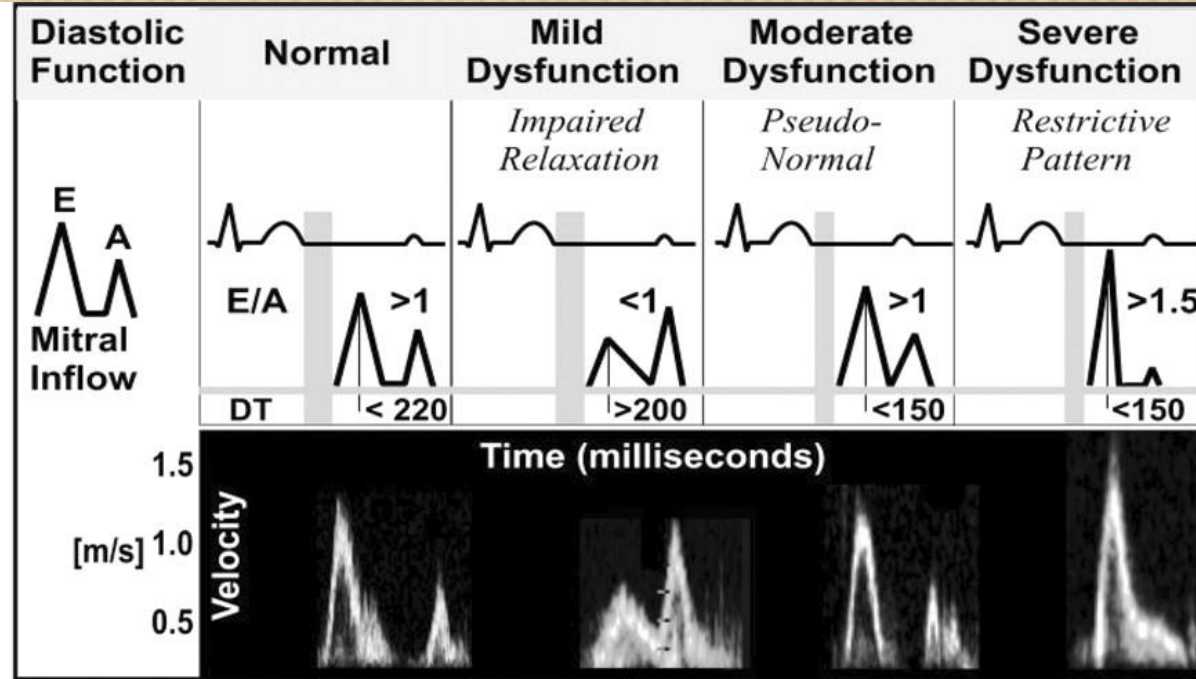
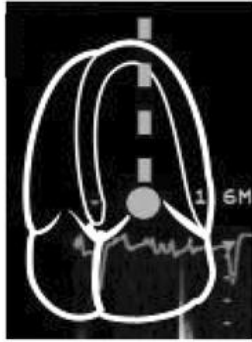
-ventricular interaction, Pericardium, PVs and mitral orifice area

In HFpEF, Relaxation and recoil are abnormal and filling can be maintained only
by increased LA pressure

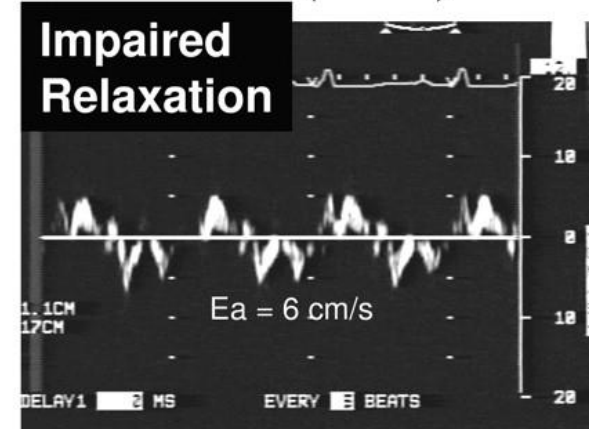
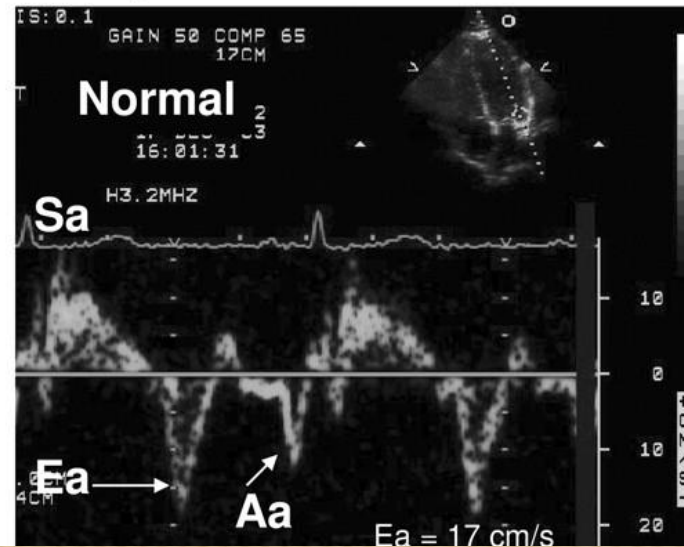
blood must be “pushed” into the left ventricle

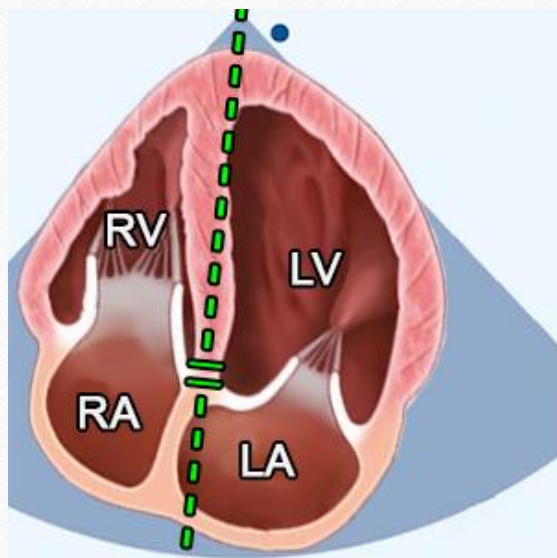


Mitral Inflow Conventional Doppler

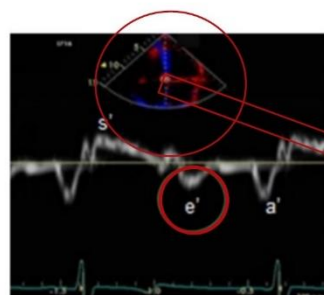


Mitral Annular Velocity Tissue Doppler

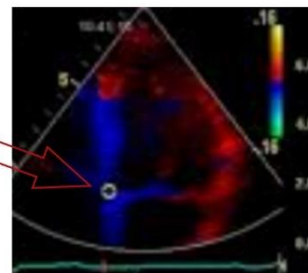




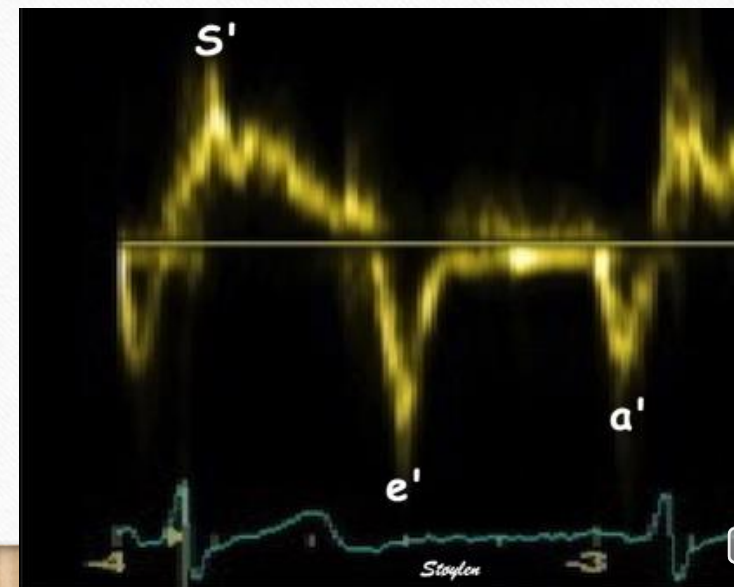
TDI: Correct Technique



Septal e' Velocity



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Increasing
Diastolic Dysfunction →

Normal

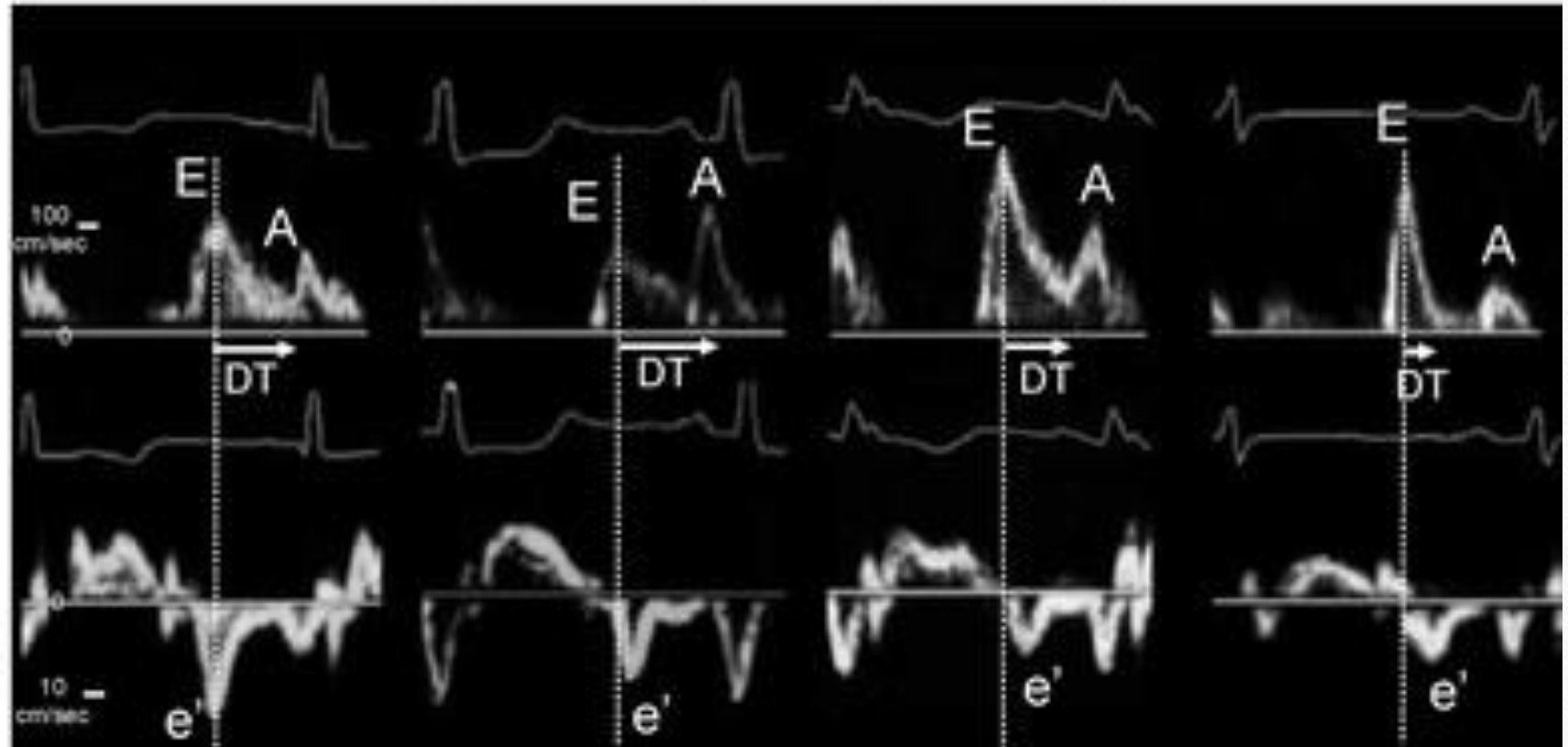
Impaired
Relaxation
(Grade 1)

Pseudo-
Normalized
(Grade 2)

Restrictive
(Grade 3)

Mitral Valve
Flow Velocity
(Doppler)

Mitral Annular
Velocity
(Tissue Doppler)



*both E and e' normally increase in response to **increased volume load and exercise** , but not in heart failure(Increased E and decreased e')*



Average $E/e' < 8$ normal LV filling pressure

$E/e' > 14$ high specificity for increased LV filling

$$PCWP: 1.25(E/e') + 1.9$$

$$E: 0.9 \text{ m/s}$$

$$e': 5 \text{ cm/s}$$

$$E/e': 18$$

$$PCWP: 24 \text{ mmHg}$$



The four variable for diastolic evaluation

*Septal $e' < 7\text{cm/s}$, Lateral $< 10\text{cm/s}$

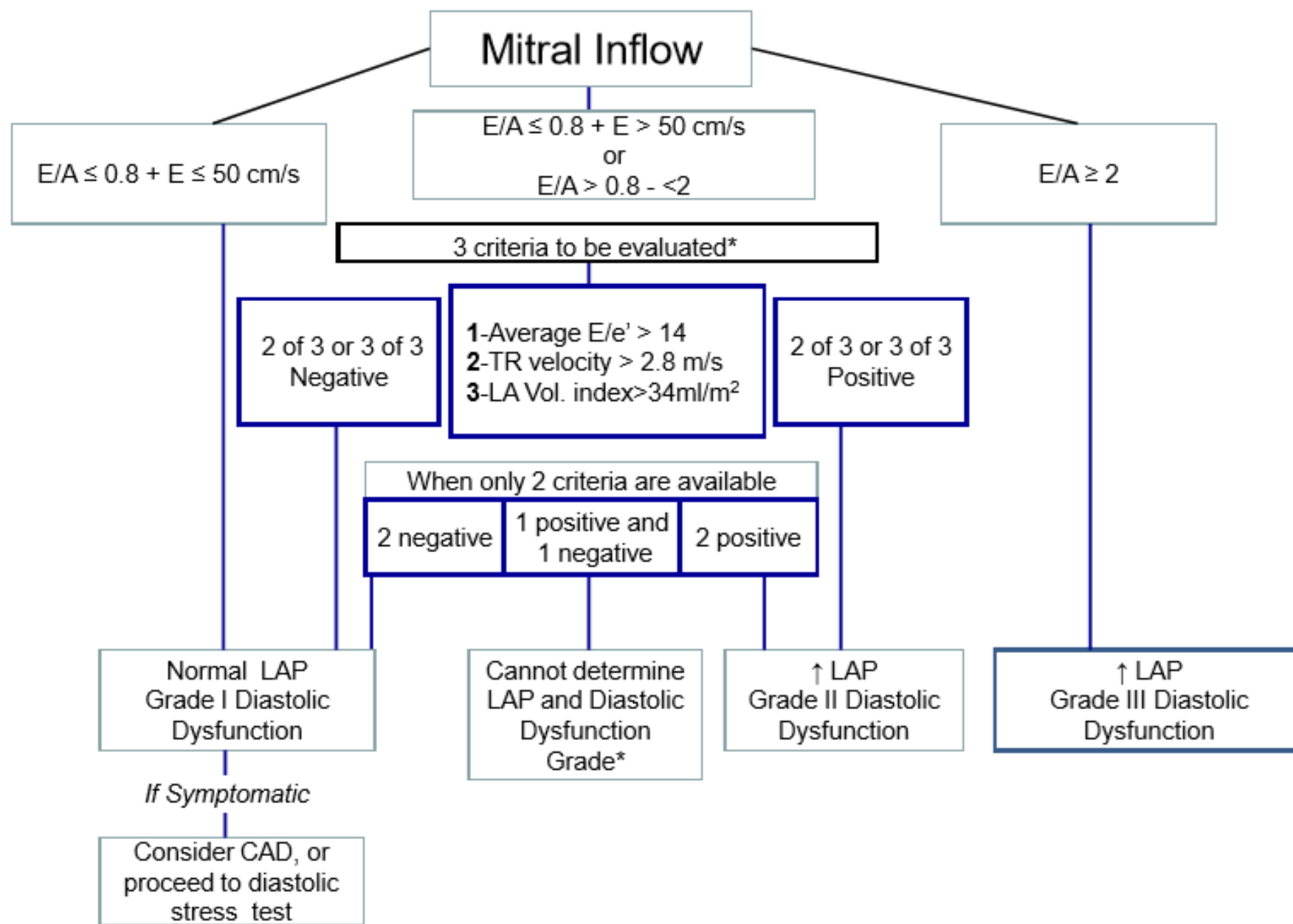
* $E/e' > 14$ (Septal > 13 , Lat $> 15\text{cm/s}$)

*LAV.Index $> 34\text{cc/m}^2$ ($> 90\%$)

(Sensitive, but nt specific)

*TR velocity $> 2.8\text{m/s}$

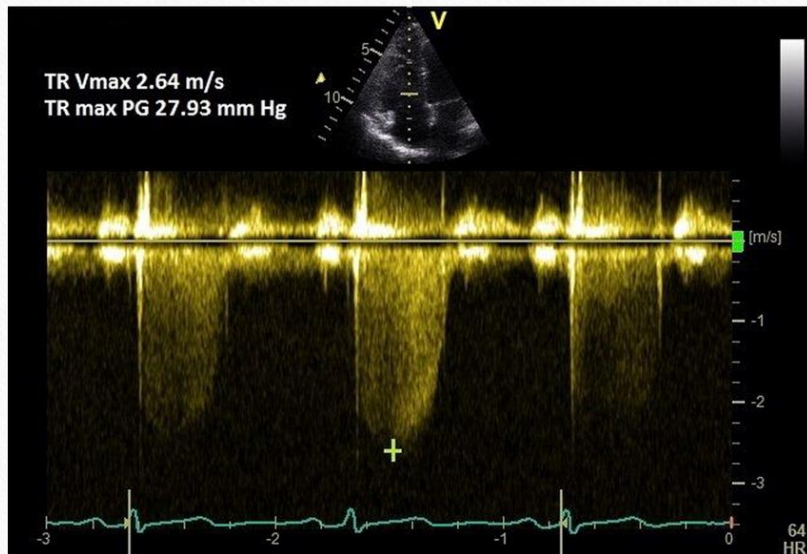


B

PH

$$SPAP=4x(TR \text{ velocity})^2+ RA \text{ pressure}$$

*TR velocity $>2.8\text{m/s}$



ePLAR

(Echo pulmonary to LA ratio)

$$TR \text{ velocity}/E/e'=0.3$$

Postcapillary <0.25

Precapillary >0.4



RV filling pressure



IVC size

- *the lost prestige and reduced popularity of CVP, measurement of IVC size to evaluate the volume status of critical patients **are increasingly in intensive care units.***



IVC

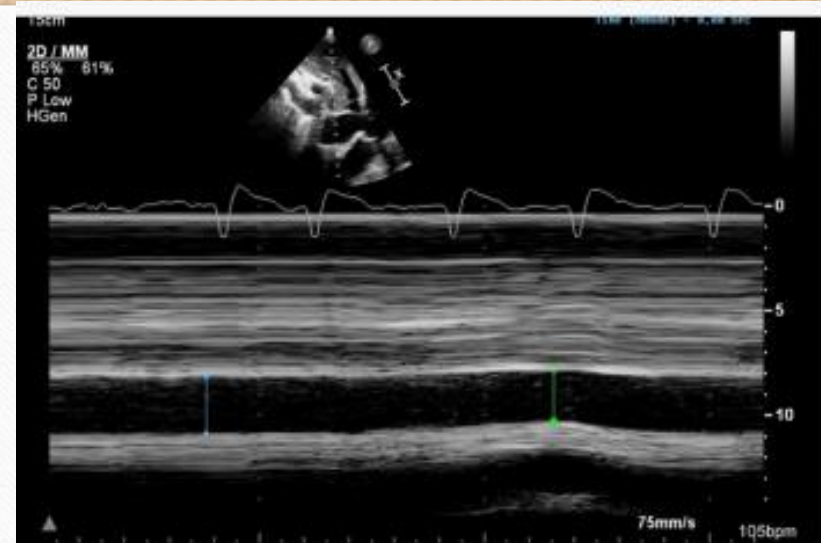
measured just *distal to the hepatic vein*

-in spontaneously breathing patients

correlates with RAP

In ventilated patients a low correlation between IVC size and RAP

(*RAP of less than 10 mmHg can be assumed if the IVC is less than 12 mm*)



ASE guidelines

IVC size
/collapsibility, for RAP
Rudski *et al.*³¹, Brennan *et al.*³²

2D harmonic

Visualization throughout the
respiratory cycle

Size ≤ 2.1 cm; collapses $>50\%$
during sniff = RAP 0–5 mm Hg
Size > 2.1 cm; collapses $>50\%$ during
sniff = 5–10 mm Hg
Size > 2.1 ; collapses $<50\%$ during
sniff = 10–20 mm Hg



- *A small IVC(< 10mm) suggests that fluid is tolerated*

ventilated patients often have a dilated IVC because of increased intrathoracic pressure rather than as a reflection of their intravascular volume status.

- *An exaggerated response in IVC collapse (>50%)* occurs in patients in the hypovolemic state during *inspiration*



The 2010 echocardiography guideline

in patients who are unable to adequately perform a sniff, an IVC that collapses 20% with quiet inspiration suggests elevated mean RAP.

The ability *to remove 0.5 L to 2 L of ultrafiltrate during dialysis* could best be predicted using an IVC collapsibility cutoff of 23% to 18.5% (approximately **20%**), are consistent with this.



Underestimation of intravascular volume may occur ***with intra-abdominal hypertension.***

Distended IVC in this circumstance likely indicates intravascular ***hypervolemia***



IVC collapsibility index

- in spontaneously breathing patients:

[maximum diameter on expiration – (minimum diameter on inspiration/maximum diameter on expiration)]

- An IVC collapsibility index of *greater than 50%* is associated with *reduced right atrial pressure* and *severe dehydration*, and indicates that the patient *needs fluid therapy*.



the IVC distensibility index

- In mechanically ventilated patients
 - IVC distensibility index = [(maximum diameter on inspiration–minimum diameter on expiration)/minimum diameter on expiration]
- on mechanically ventilated adult patients in septic shock demonstrated that the IVC distensibility index values of *greater than 18%* were in favor of **fluid deficit**



- *In both spontaneously breathing and ventilated patients*, a *small IVC that varies in size* with respiration with:

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- non-dilated right heart chambers
 - a non-displaced interventricular septum
 - absence of right and left ventricular systolic failure
 - and absence of markers of raised LVEDP

all suggest

fluid administration will not cause acute harm.



Simple Two-Dimensional Echocardiographic Scoring System for the Estimation of Left Ventricular Filling Pressure

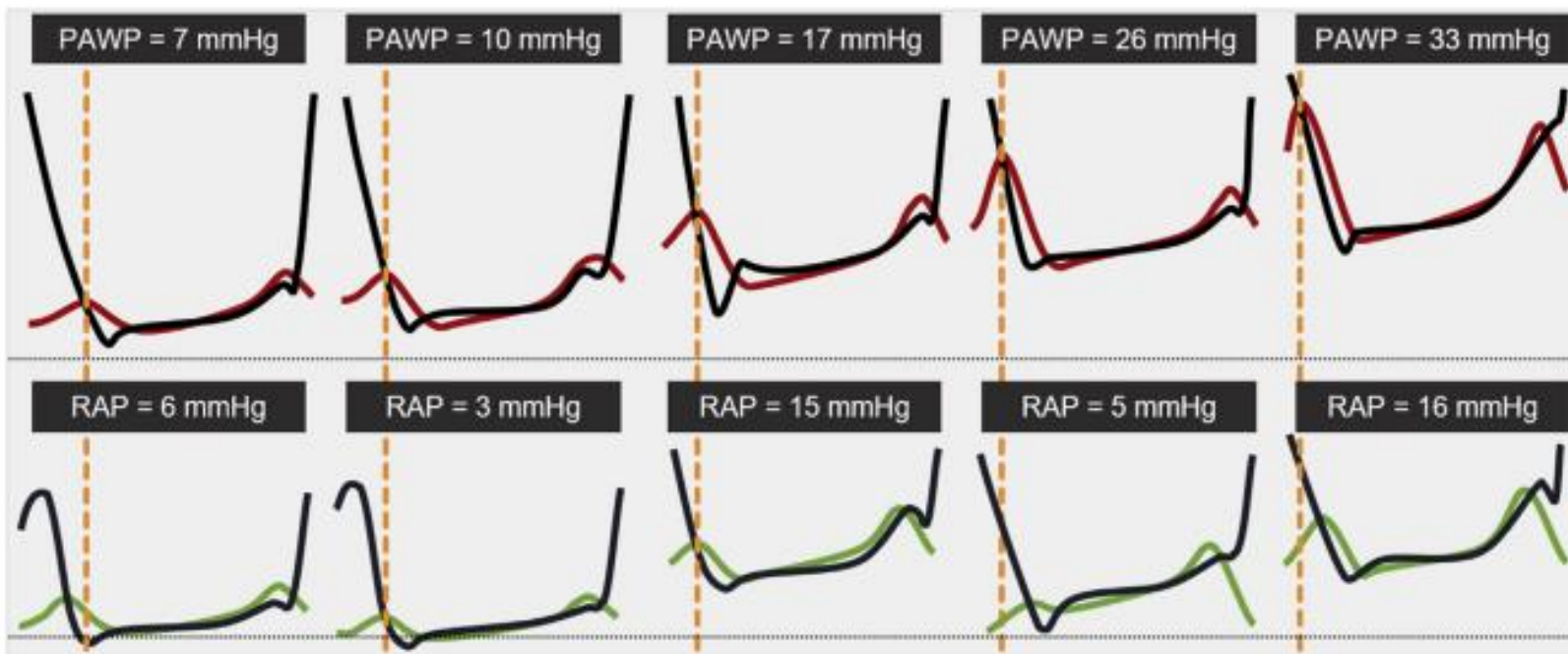
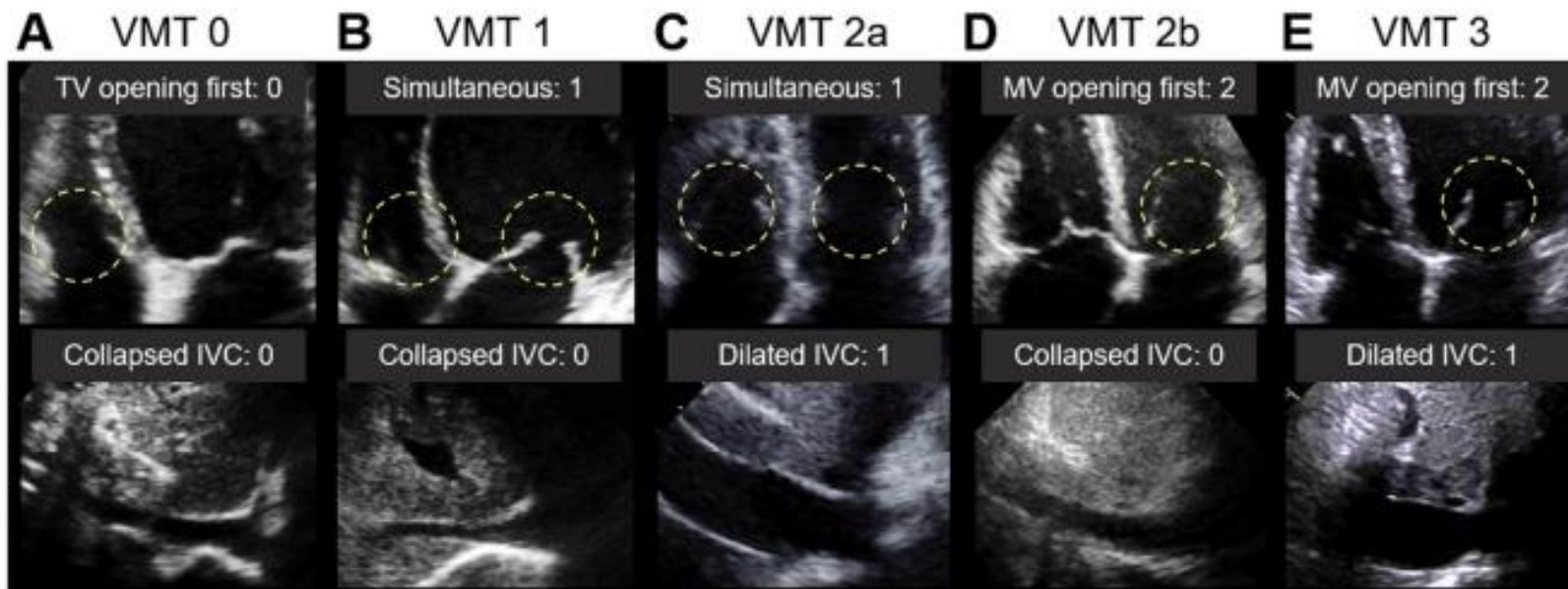
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Background: When left ventricular filling pressure (LVFP) increases, the mitral valve opens early and precedes tricuspid valve opening in early diastole. The authors hypothesized that a visually assessed time sequence of atrioventricular valve opening could become a new marker of elevated LVFP. The aim of this study was to test the diagnostic ability of a novel echocardiographic scoring system, the visually assessed time difference between mitral valve and tricuspid valve opening (VMT) score, in patients with heart failure.

Methods: One hundred nineteen consecutive patients who underwent cardiac catheterization within 24 hours of echocardiographic examination were retrospectively analyzed as a derivation cohort. In addition, a prospective study was conducted to validate the diagnostic ability of the VMT score in 50 patients. Elevated LVFP was defined as mean pulmonary artery wedge pressure (PAWP) ≥ 15 mm Hg. The time sequence of atrioventricular valve opening was visually assessed and scored (0 = tricuspid valve first, 1 = simultaneous, 2 = mitral valve first). When the inferior vena cava was dilated, 1 point was added, and VMT score was ultimately graded as 0 to 3. Cardiac events were recorded for 1 year after echocardiography.

Results: In the derivation cohort, PAWP was elevated with higher VMT scores (score 0, 10 ± 5 ; score 1, 12 ± 4 ; score 2, 22 ± 8 ; score 3, 28 ± 4 mm Hg; $P < .001$, analysis of variance). VMT score ≥ 2 predicted elevated PAWP with accuracy of 86% and showed incremental predictive value over clinical variables and guideline-recommended diastolic function grading. These observations were confirmed in the prospective validation cohort. Importantly, VMT score ≥ 2 discriminated elevated PAWP with accuracy of 82% in 33 patients with monophasic left ventricular inflow in the derivation cohort. Kaplan-Meier analysis demonstrated that patients with VMT scores ≥ 2 were at higher risk for cardiac events than those with VMT scores ≤ 1 ($P < .001$).

Conclusions: VMT scoring could be a novel additive marker of elevated LVFP and might also be associated with adverse outcomes in patients with heart failure. (*J Am Soc Echocardiogr* 2021; ■: ■-■.)



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- Echocardiography is ideally suited to guide *fluid resuscitation* in critically ill patients.

to assess fluid responsiveness by looking at:

left ventricle

Aortic outflow

Inferior vena cava

Right ventricle

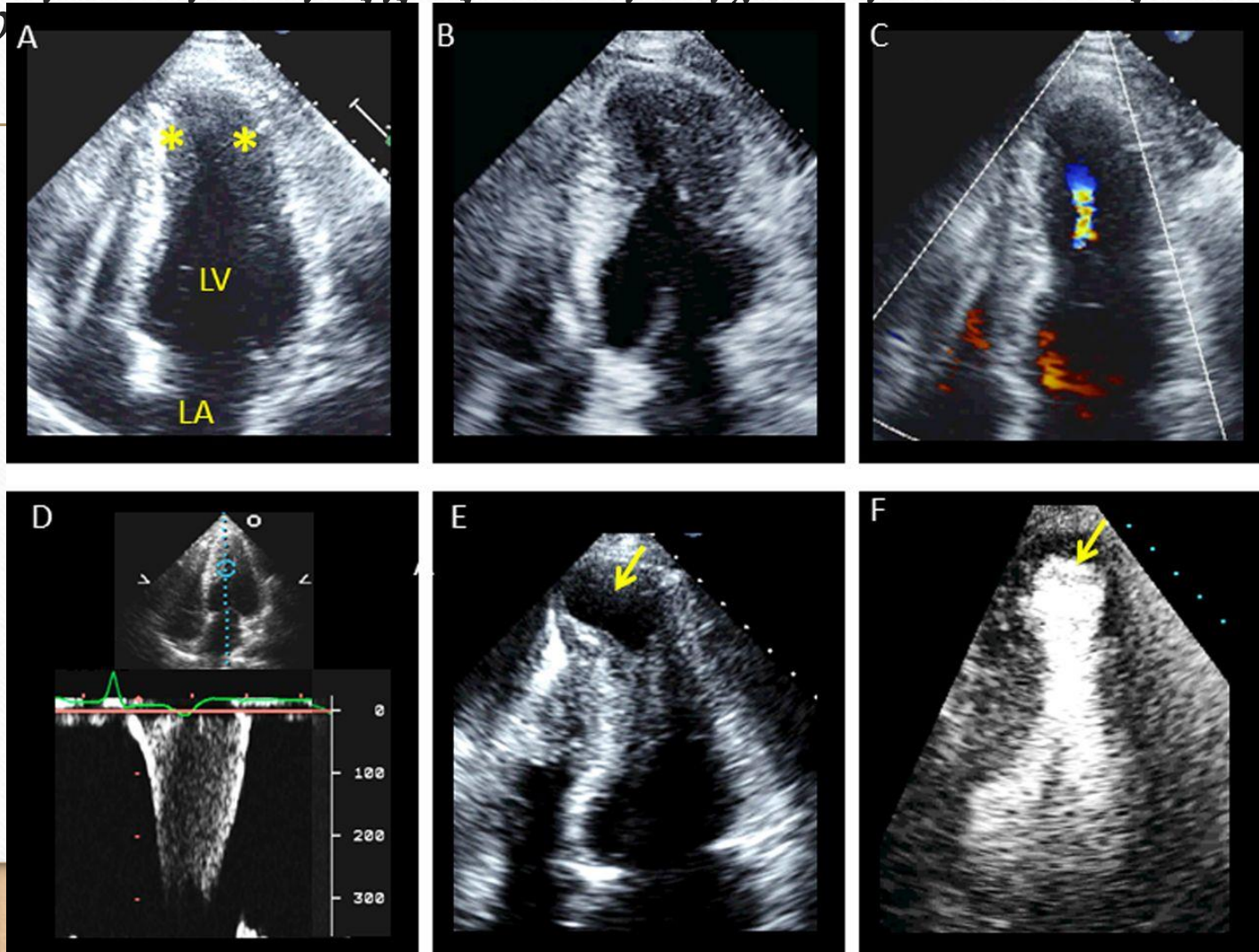


*Hyperdynamic LV with an **end-diastolic area** in the **PSAX** view of **less than 10 cm²** or papillary apposition (**kissing ventricles**) is strongly indicative of hypovolaemia*



Presence of an *IVG*(Intra ventricular gradient) in a hypotensive

septic shock patient with hypovolemia



LV

Hypovolemia is best monitored using *end-diastolic measurements*, because a low *LV systolic diameter* could also depict:

- 1-decreased systemic vascular resistance (SVR)
- 2- increased inotropic state
- 3- Decreased ventricular filling
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- *In hypovolemia, both LVIDD and LVIDS are decreased*, while in the setting of decreased SVR, LVIDD is normal and LVIDS is decreased



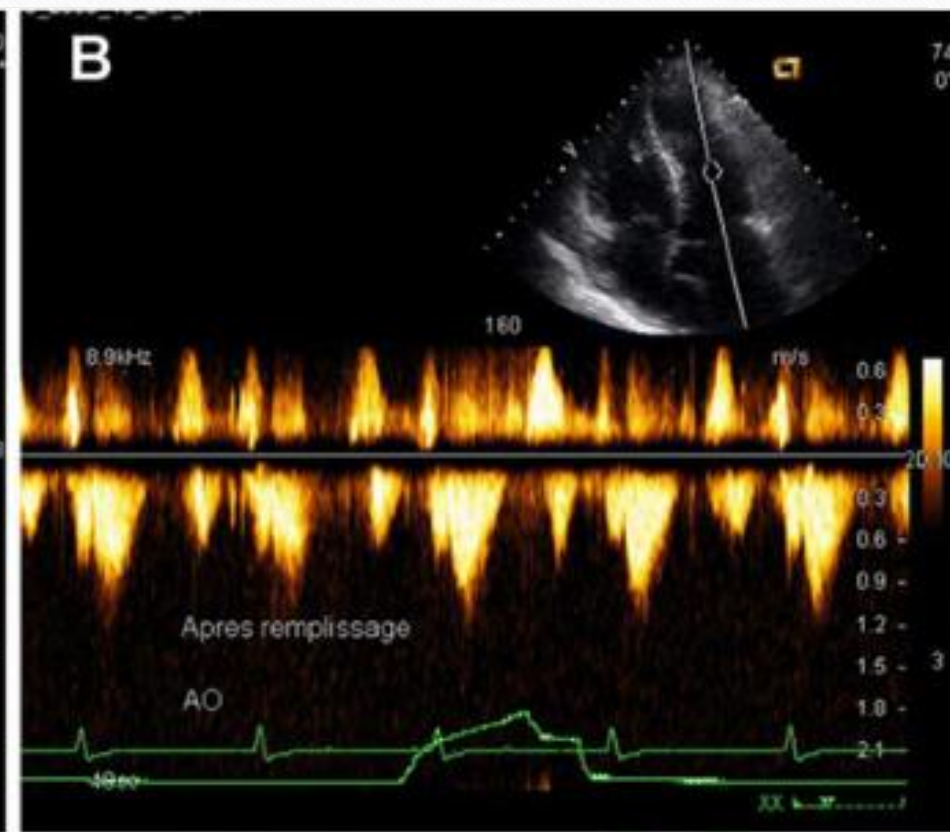
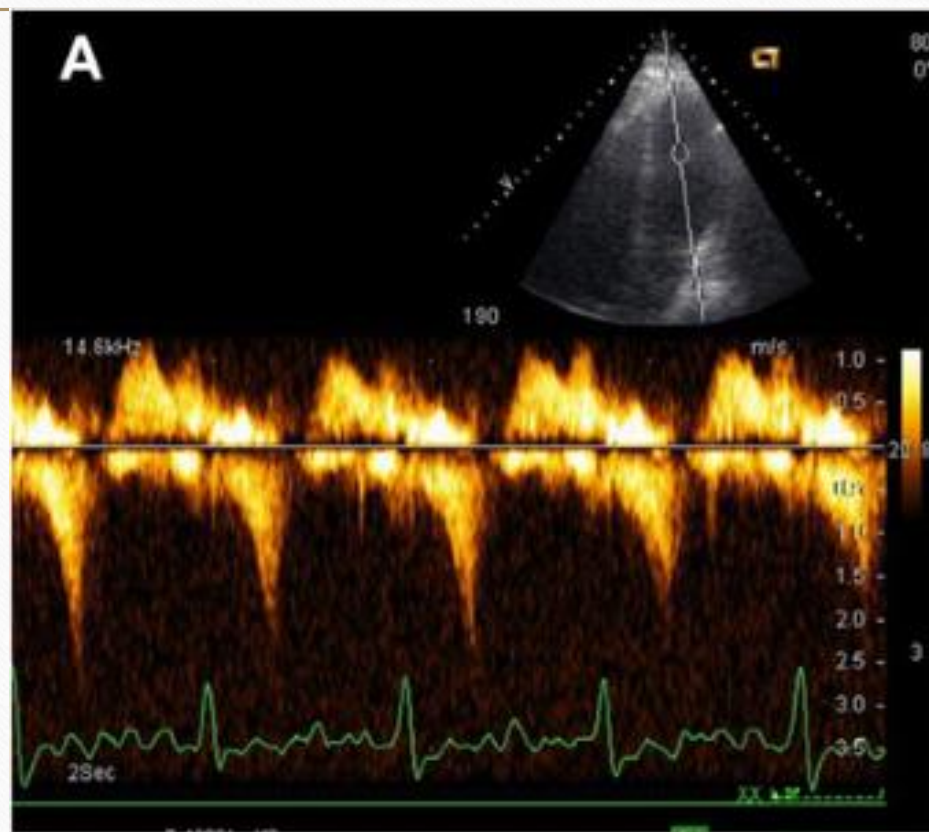
TTE:

parasternal short-axis (SAX) or long-axis (LAX) view using either 2D linear measurements or M-mode imaging at the LV minor axis, 1 cm distal to the mitral valve (MV) annulus ***at the MV valve leaflet tips.***

TEE :

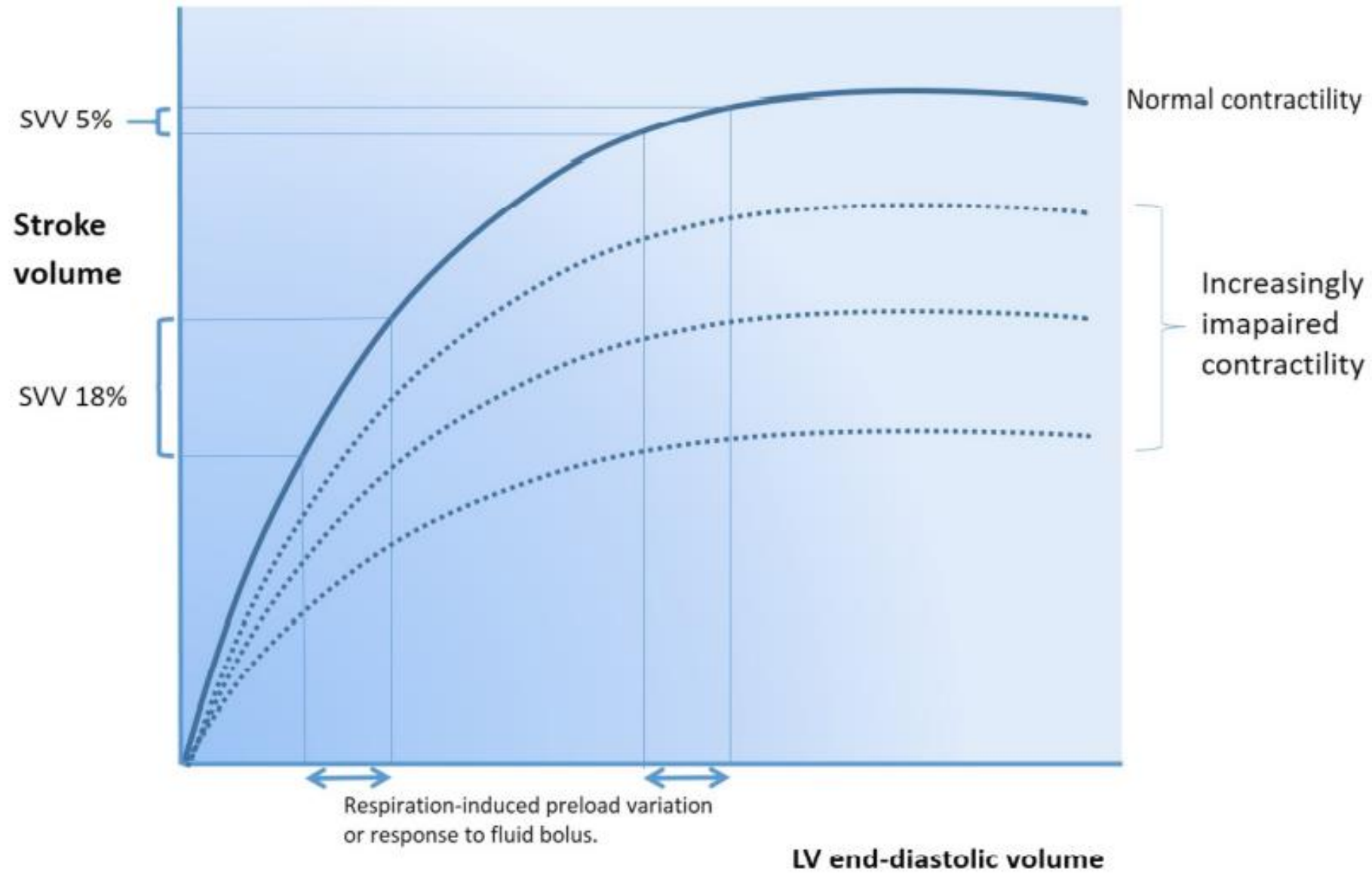
- ***Midesophageal (ME) two-chamber view*** at the ***MV leaflet tips***
- M-mode imaging in ***the transgastric LV SAX*** view at the midpapillary level.





Fluid responsiveness (FR) in critically ill patients





Fluid responsiveness

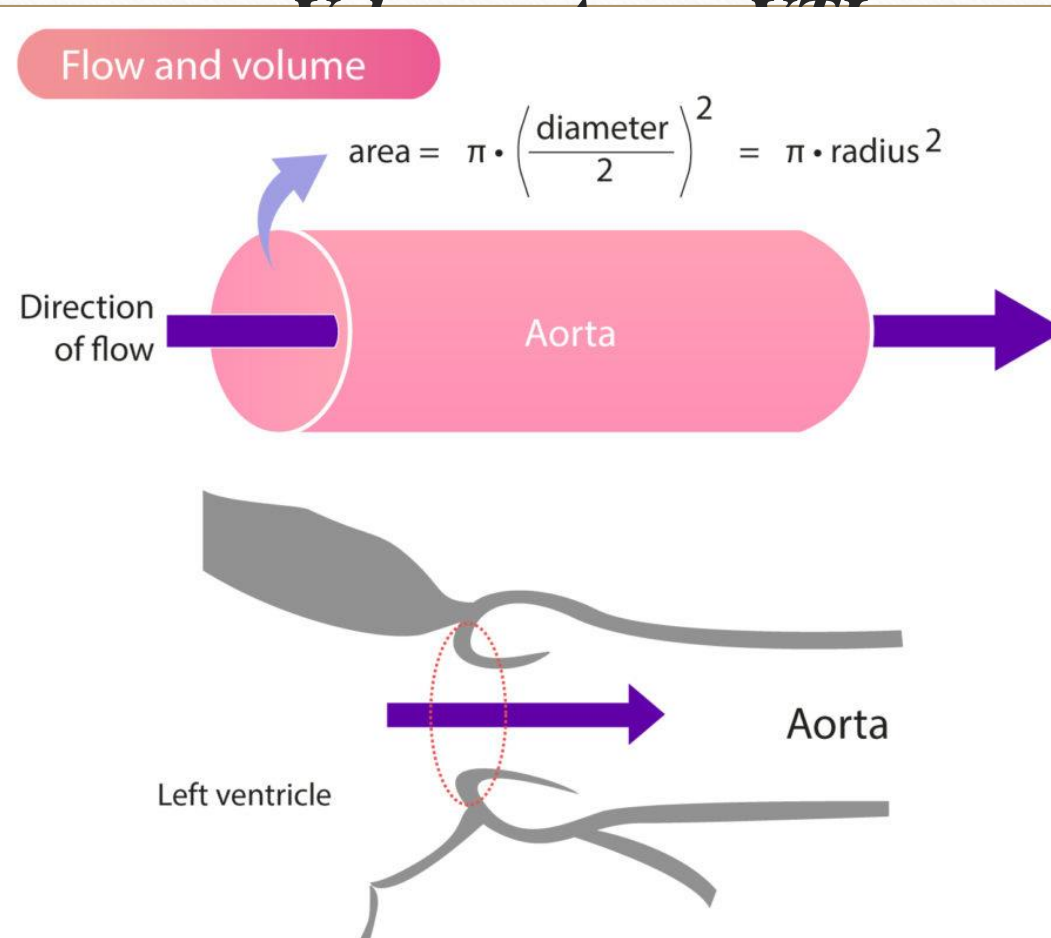
- increases their *stroke volume by >15%* after *a 500mL* fluid challenge
- An increment of SV (VTI) about *10-12% after* Passive leg raising *suggests FR*
- Stroke volume variation in sinus rhythm of *more than 12-14%*



Q(flow): area x velocity

Volume: Q(flow) x time (when flow is constant, but not about heart)

Volume: area x velocity x time

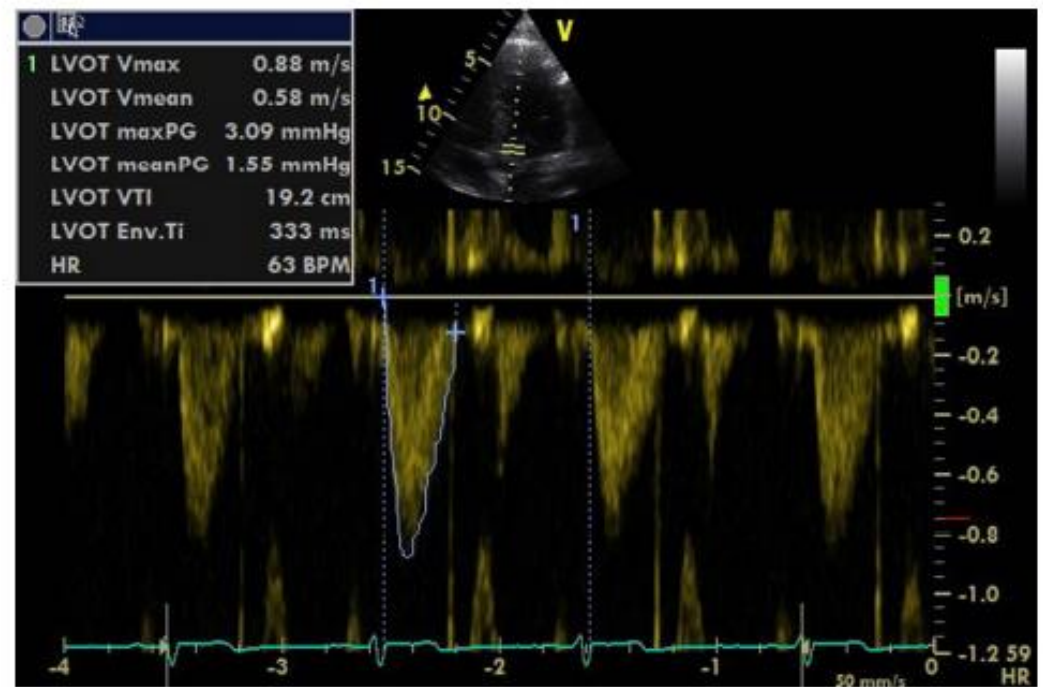


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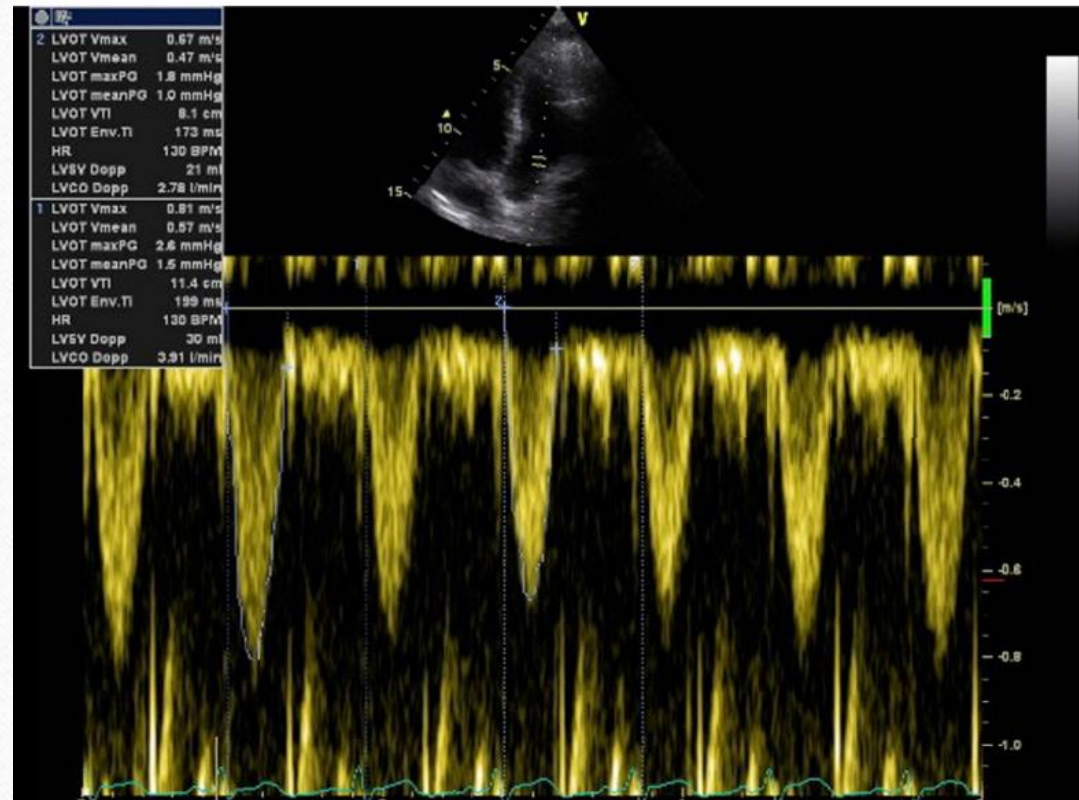
VTI: How far blood travels during flow period (Stroke distance in centimetres)

$$CSA = 2\pi r^2$$

$$SV: (0.785 \times D^2) \times VTI$$



Stroke volume variation in sinus rhythm of *more than 12-14 %*
accurately predicts fluid response
less than 10% a high negative predictive value



Fluid challenge

- 1-Rapid administration of 250–500 mm of intravenous fluid
- 2-measure LVOT VTI rather than adding in an LVOT measurement to get SV.
- 3-immediately before and after a fluid challenge
- 4--ideally be end expiratory or averaged over several consecutive beats.

a fluid responder is generally defined as someone who increases their *stroke volume by >15%* after *a 500mL* fluid challenge



Passive leg raising

A simple method of predicting fluid responsiveness.

Tilting a patient from a 45-degree semi-recumbent head up position to a 45-degree leg up position, which transfers up to 300 mL of blood into the central circulation.

Tipping the whole bed and not lifting the legs avoids compression of the femoral veins.

Stroke volume or simply VTI across either outflow tract is measured before and 1 min after the PLR.

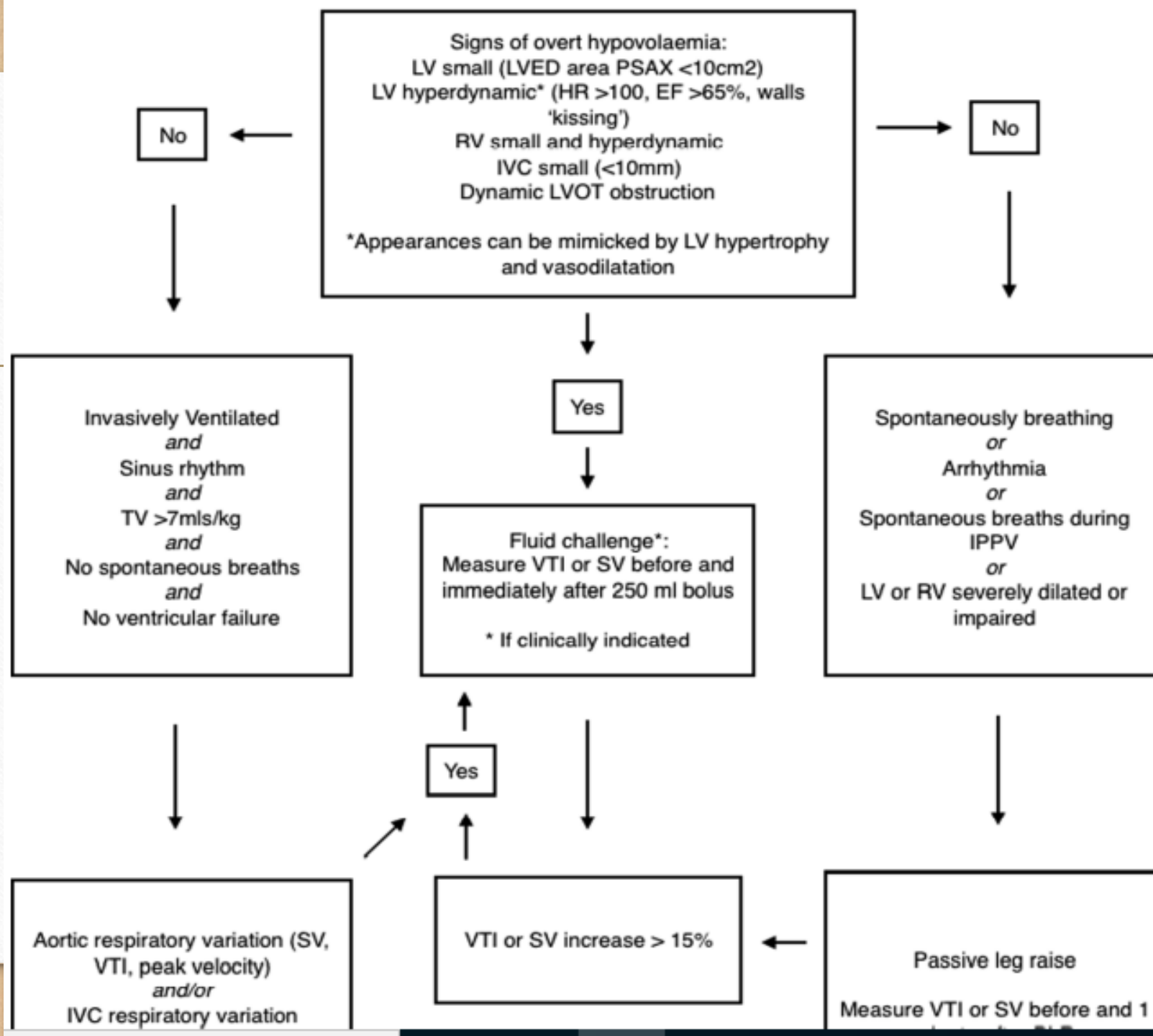
An increment of 10% suggests FR



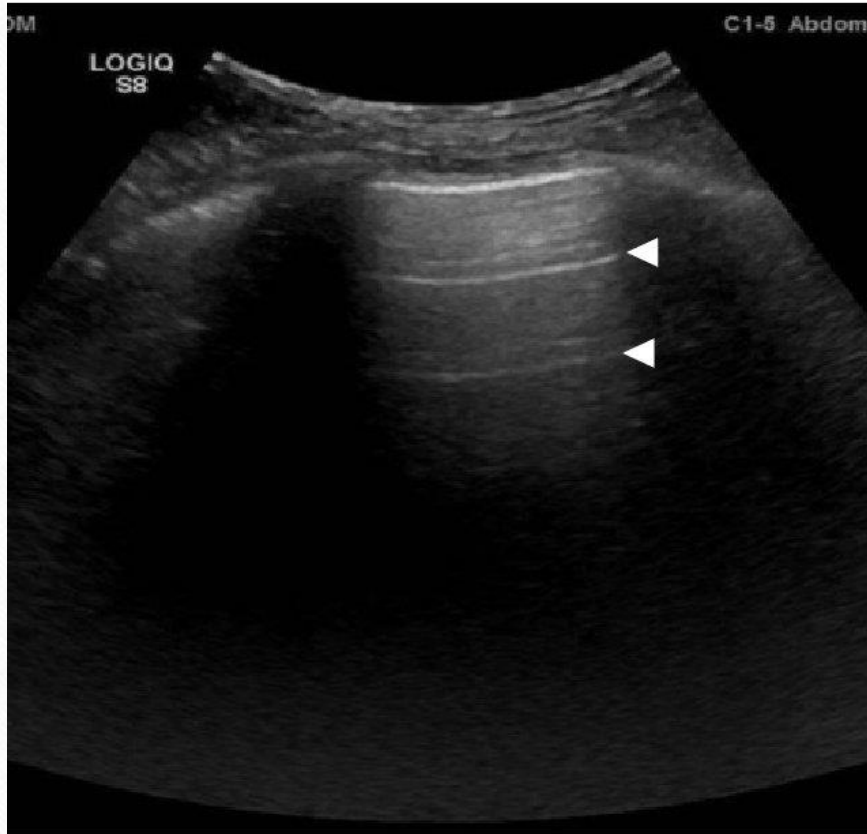
Signs of overt hypovolaemia:
LV small (LVED area PSAX $<10\text{cm}^2$)
LV hyperdynamic* (HR >100 , EF $>65\%$, walls
'kissing')
RV small and hyperdynamic
IVC small ($<10\text{mm}$)
Dynamic LVOT obstruction

*Appearances can be mimicked by LV hypertrophy
and vasodilatation





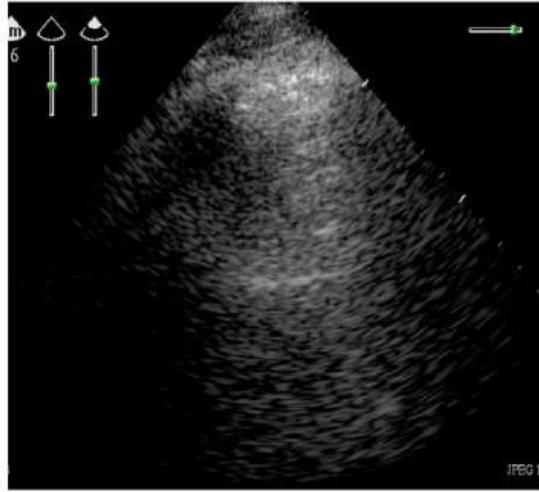
*Ultrasonic
A-line artifacts*



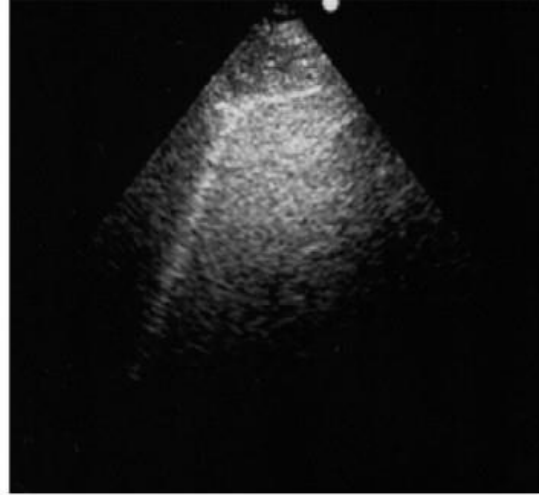
*Ultrasonic comet tail sign
(B-line)*

*discrete, laser-like, vertical, hyperechoic image,
that arises from the pleural line, extends to the
bottom of the screen*

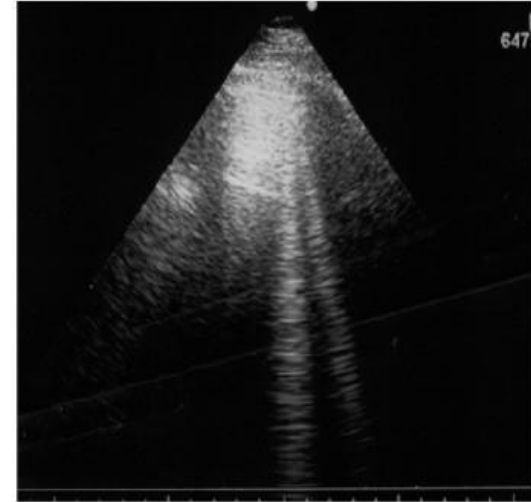




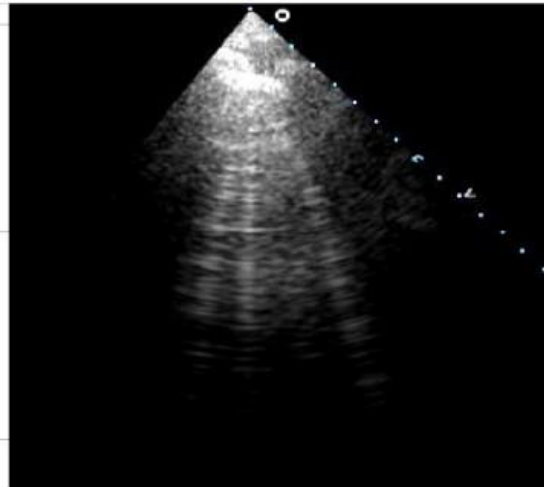
No B-lines



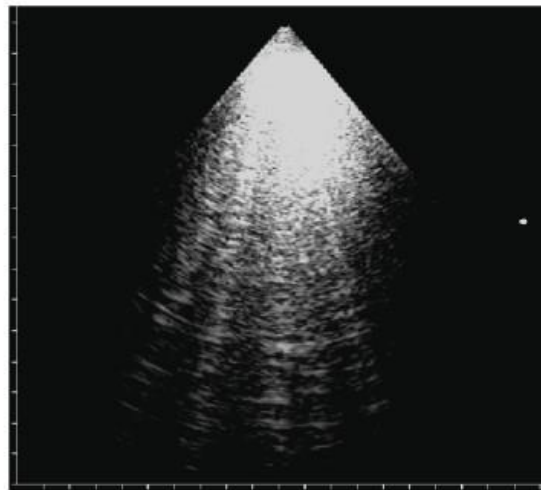
One B-line



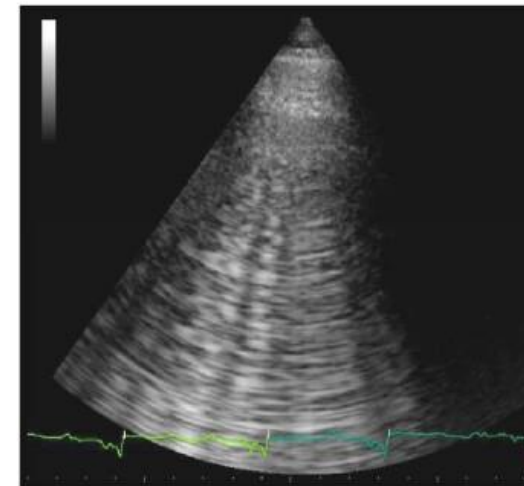
Two B-lines



Three B-lines



Five B-lines



Full white screen = 10 B-lines



Scoring

right side



Mid-axillary	Anterior axillary	Mid-clavicular	Para-sternal	Inter-costal space	Para-sternal	Mid-clavicular	Anterior axillary	Mid-axillary
				II				
				III				
				IV				
				V				

left side



Management

- B.Blockers and ACE.I and ARB in asymptomatic patients
- IN symptomatic patients:
- Self assessment
- Control of hypertention
- Treatment of CAD
- Treatments of arrhythmia(AF)
- Anemia
- High output state
- Management of renal failure (Optimizing the duration or frequency of dialysis)



The End

