

Valvulopatie ed imaging multimodale



**HOT TOPICS
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Heart Valve Disease:

ROLE OF IMAGING

Diagnosis

Follow Up

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Preprocedural Planning

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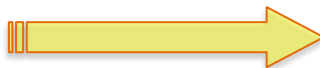
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Multimodality imaging

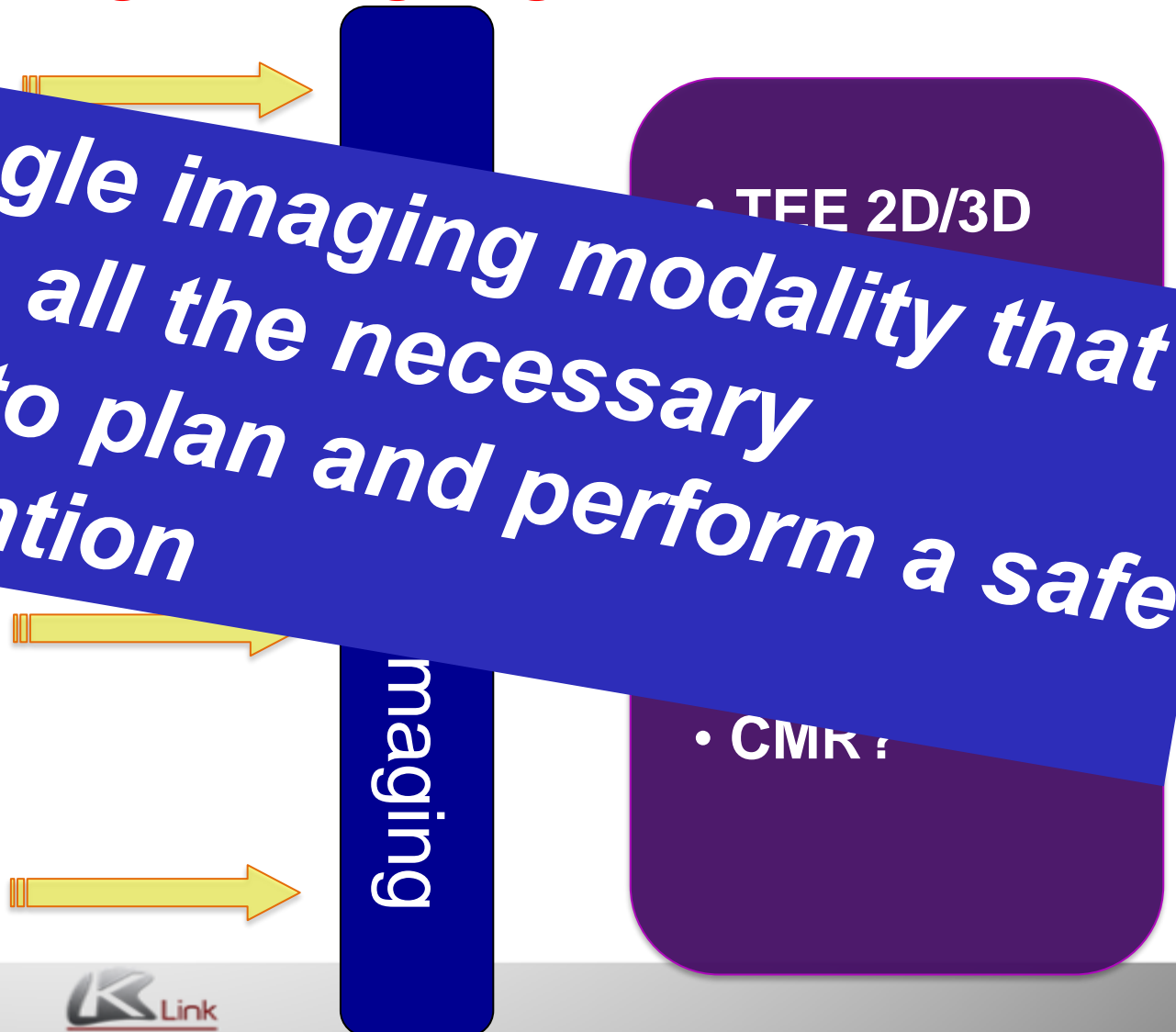
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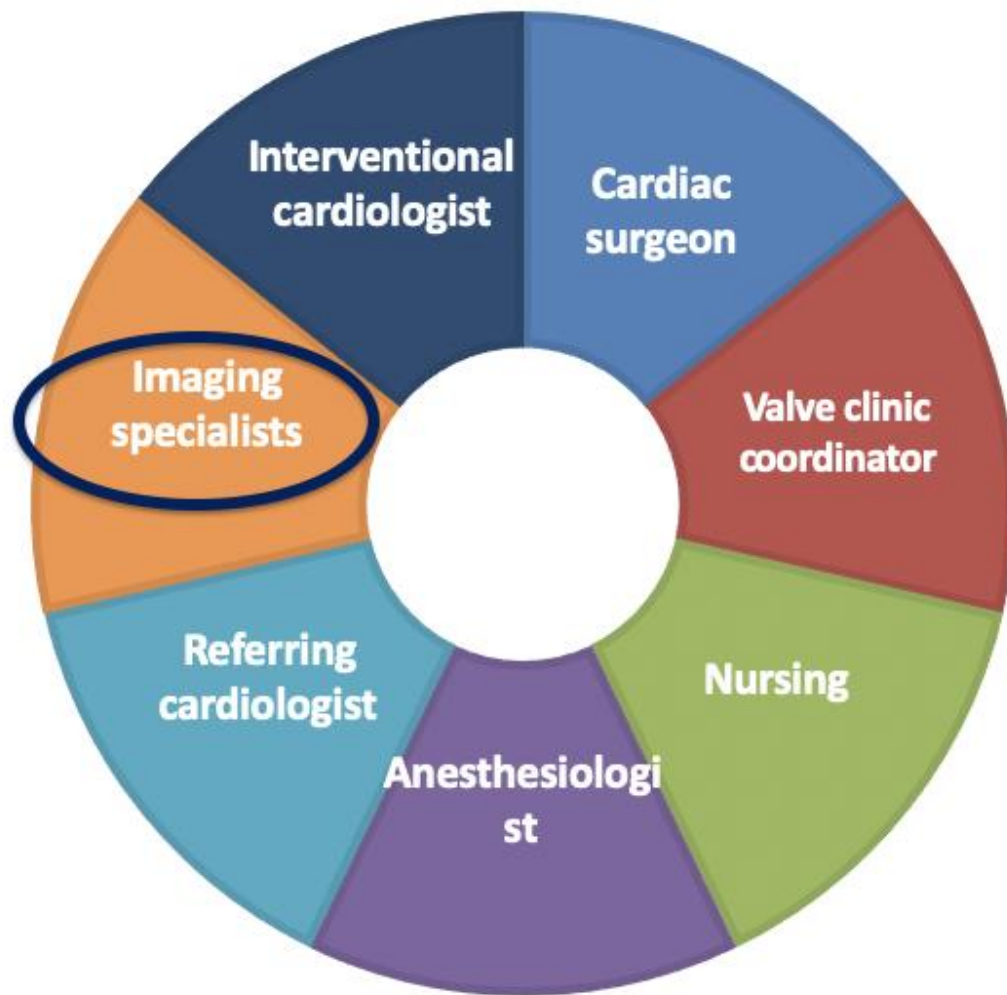
There is not one single imaging modality that by itself can provide all the necessary information needed to plan and perform a safe and effective intervention

Procedural Guidance

Follow Up



Heart Team composition



- Cardiology Valve Expert
- CV Imaging Expert(s)
- Interventional Cardiologist
- CT Surgeon
- CV Anesthesiologist
- Valve Clinic Care Coordinators

Patient Selection & Shared Decision Making

Clinical Information

- Major CV comorbidities
- Major non-CV comorbidities
- Risk score assessment

Functional Assessment

- Frailty
- Physical and cognitive function

Risk Categories

- Low risk
- Intermediate risk
- High or extreme risk

TAVR Procedure

Preplanning

- Valve choice and access
- Anesthesia and procedure
- Anticipated complications

Procedural Details

- Vascular access and closure
- Valve delivery and deployment
- Postdeployment evaluation
- Management of complications

Post-TAVR Management

Early Post-TAVR

- Postprocedure monitoring
- Pain management
- Early mobilization and discharge
- Monitor for conduction abnormalities

Long-term Management

- Antithrombotic therapy and endocarditis prophylaxis
- Management of concurrent cardiac disease
- Post-TAVR complications

- PA systolic pressure
- Cardiac rhythm

Otto CM et al. ACC Expert Consensus TAVI 2017.

JACC 2017;69(10):1313-1346.

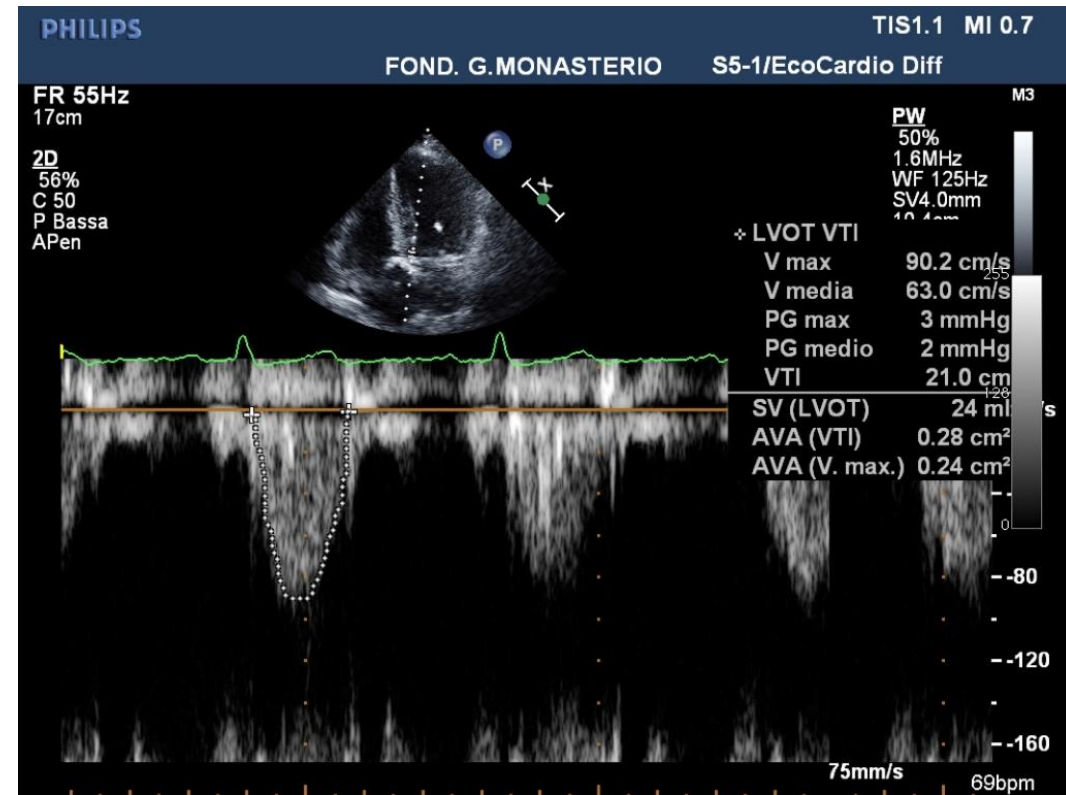
Aortic Stenosis: echocardiographic definition

- Mean and Peak Transvalvular gradients

$$P = 4v_{\max}^2$$

If LVOT velocity is > 1.5 m/s or the aortic velocity is < 3.0 m/s, LVOT velocity should be considered in the Bernoulli Equation

$$P = 4 \left(v_{\max}^2 - v_{\text{LVOT}}^2 \right)$$

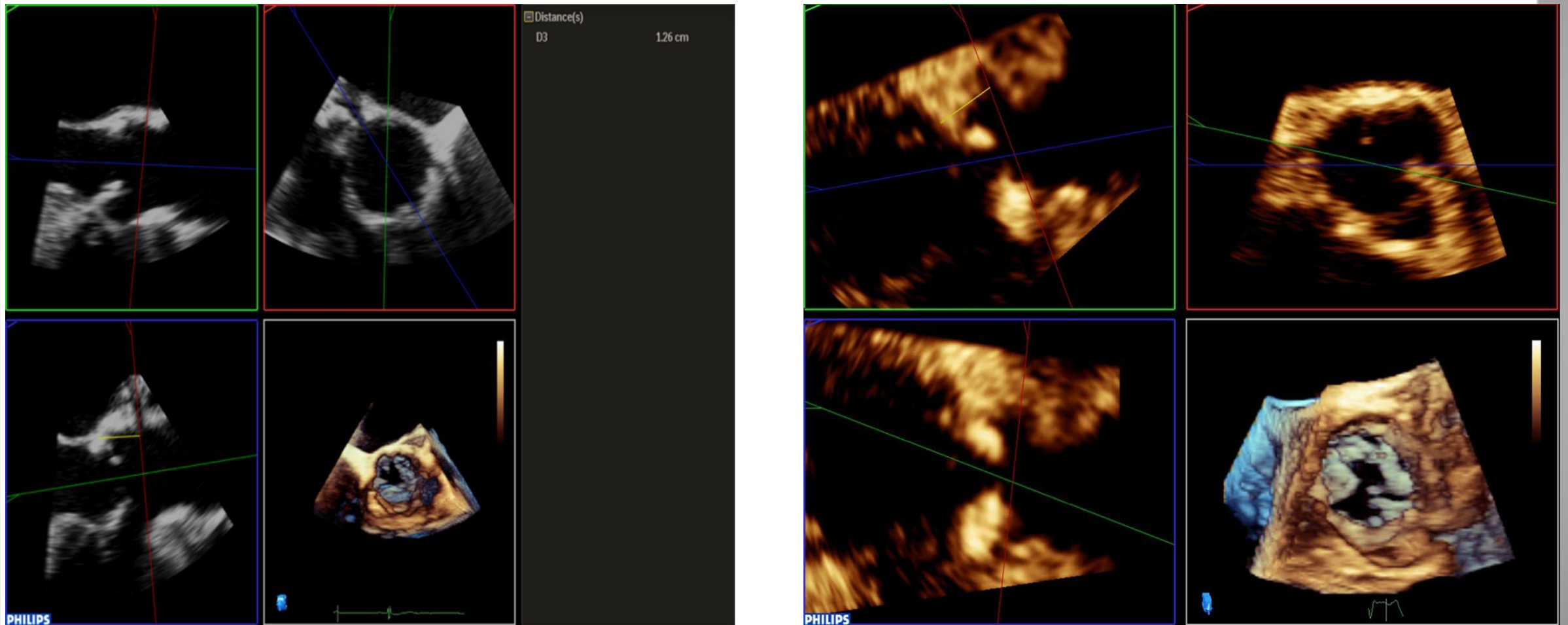


Aortic valve evaluation

the role of echocardiography

- Aortic Valve assessment:
 - AS severity (Valvular Area and Gradient)
 - Calcification distribution, mobility, AR grade
 - Spatial relationship of Calcium and coronary ostia
 - Valvular Morphology (Bicuspid valve)
 - LVOT morphology (septal hypertrophy, ...)
 - Any vegetations or mobile structures
- Measurement of Aortic root diameters
 - Annulus, sub-aortic/LVOT, sino-tubular junction

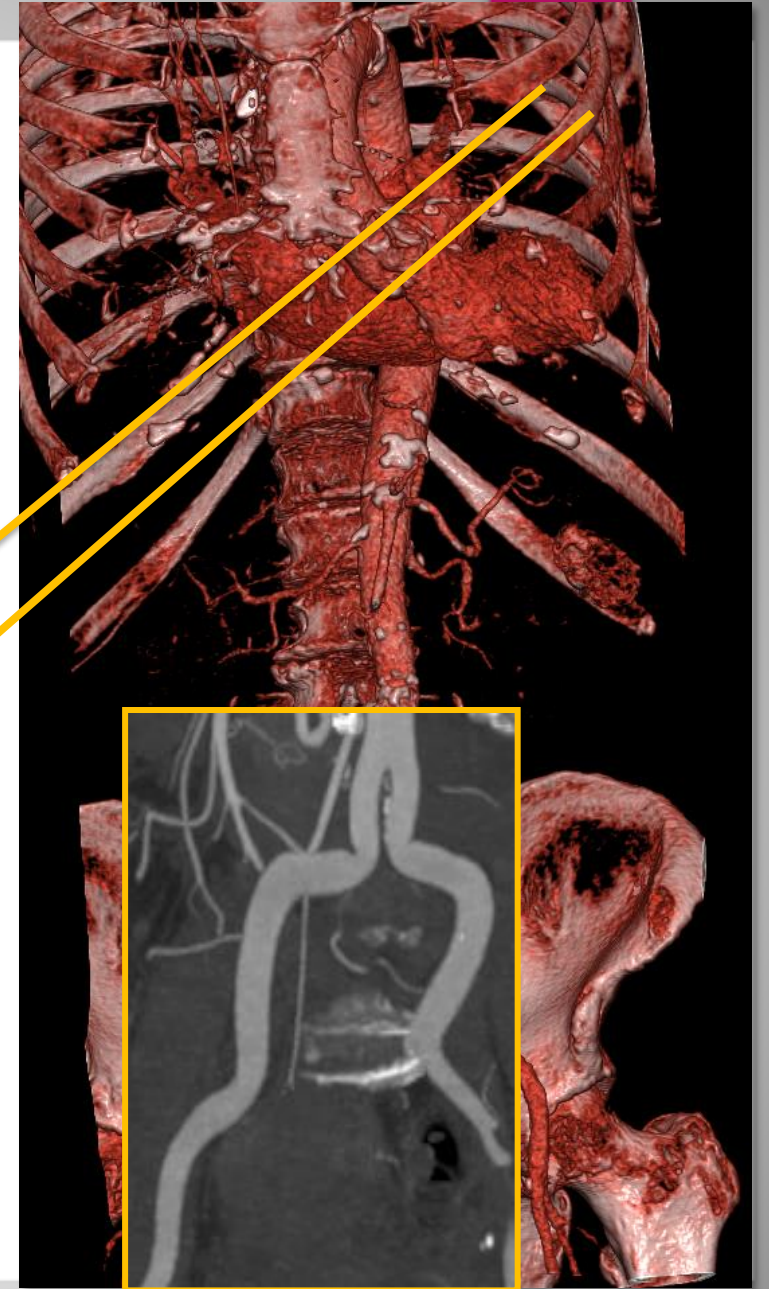
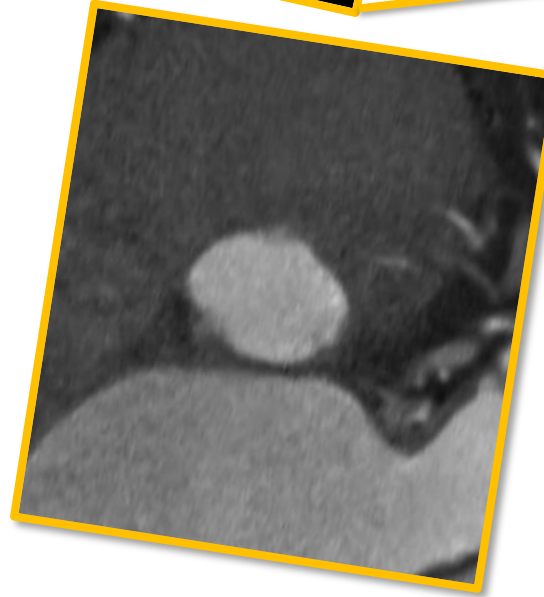
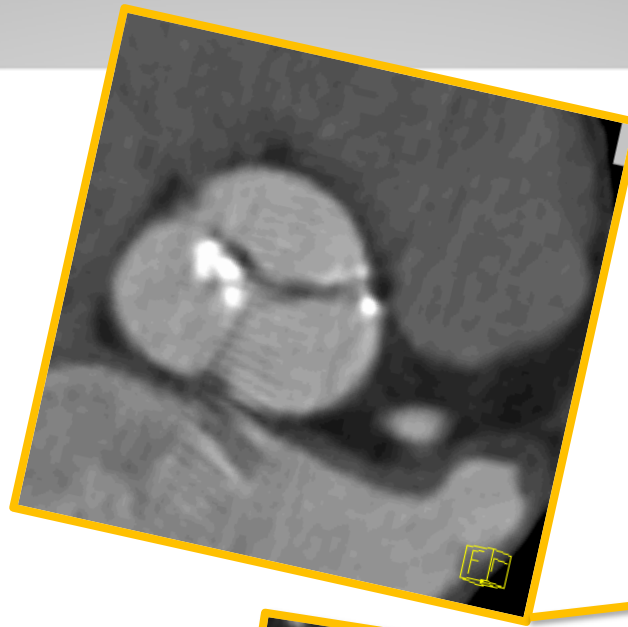
Aortic valve evaluation: the role of echocardiography



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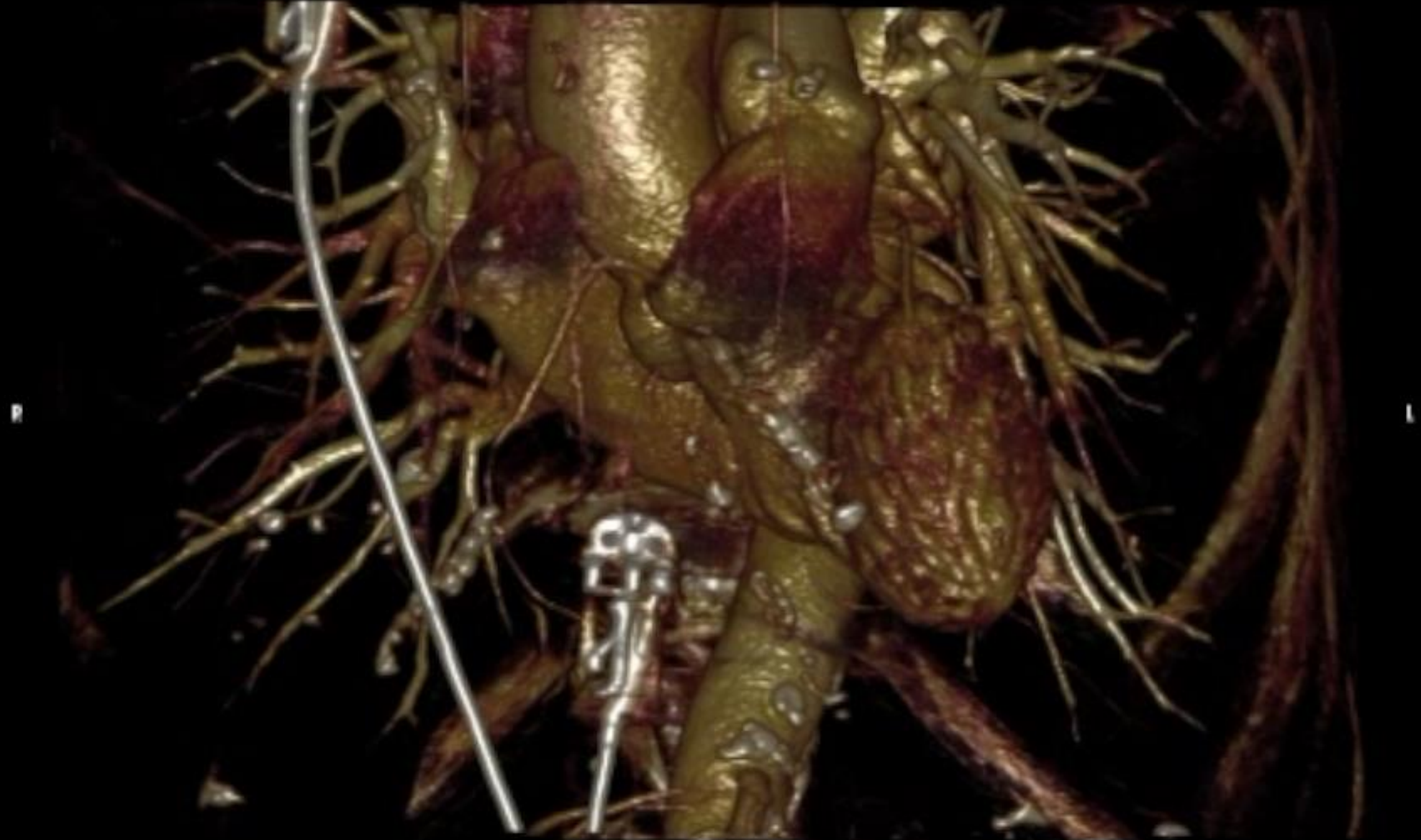
CT for TAVI

- Rapid volume coverage
- High and isotropic spatial resolution
- Sensitive to calcium



CT PREPROCEDURAL EVALUATION

3D Volume Rendering



CT TAVI Planning

Date of Birth: 19 mar 1936 (83)

Study Date: Jan 21, 2019

Patient ID: 550392

Report Date: Mar 23, 2019

Aortic Annulus Measurements:

Perimeter: 79.5 mm (\varnothing 25.3 mm)

Area: 483.3 mm² (\varnothing 24.8 mm)

Excentricity: 0.25 (21.6 x 28.8 mm)

Aortic Angulation: 32.8°

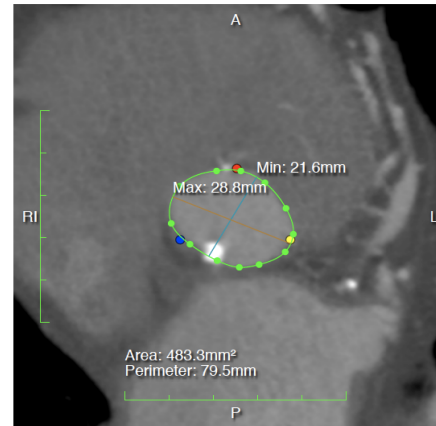
LCA Distance: 15.7 mm

RCA Distance: 21.5 mm

Cusp Calcification: Mild (1)

LVOT Calcification: Moderate (2)

Annulus Calcification: Mild (1)



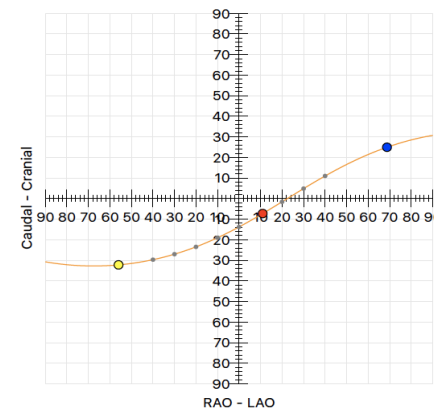
Implantation Plane:

RCC Anterior: LAO 11° Caudal 7°

LCC Posterior: RAO 56° Caudal 32°

NCC Posterior: LAO 69° Cranial 25°

LV View: RAO 30° Caudal 27°



Access:

Planned Access: TF Left

Pigtail Access: TF Right

Comments:

AFC sx 6 x 7 calcio posteriore. AFC dx 6 x 6,5 calcio posteriore AIC dx Stenosi placca molle 3,5 x 5,5 mm. AIC sx 7 x 7 mm un po di calcio

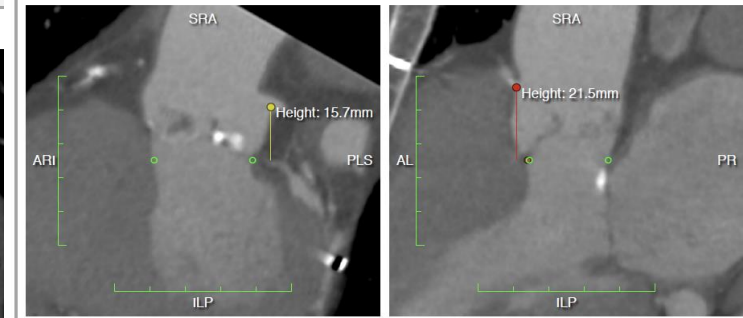
Calcio LVOT

SAPIEN 3 ULTRA 26 mm o ACURATE TF L o EVOLUT PRO 29 mm

Coronary Arteries:

LCA

RCA



LVOT:

-15 mm

-10 mm

-5 mm



Aortic Valve:

+5 mm

+10 mm

+15 mm




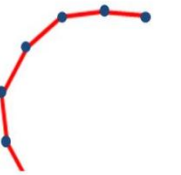
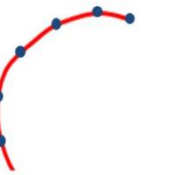
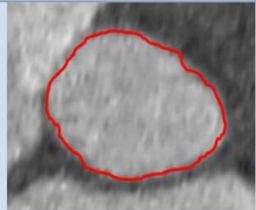
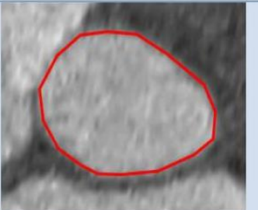
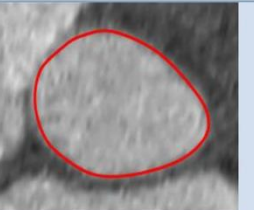
RAO Projection:		LAO Projection:	
40°	Caudal 30°	0°	Caudal 14°
30°	Caudal 27°	10°	Caudal 8°
20°	Caudal 23°	20°	Caudal 2°
10°	Caudal 19°	30°	Cranial 5°
0°	Caudal 14°	40°	Cranial 11°

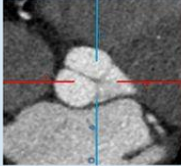
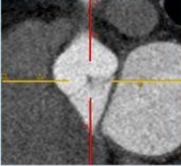
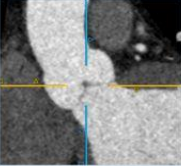
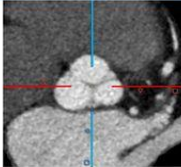

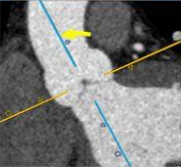
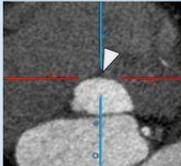
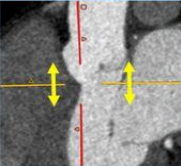
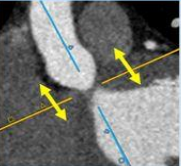
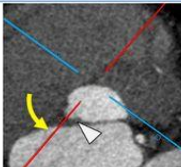
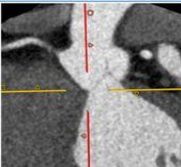
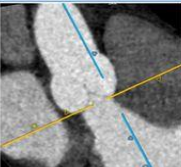
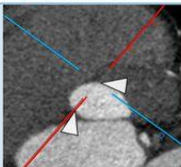
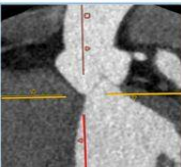
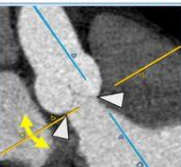
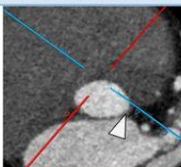
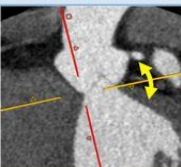
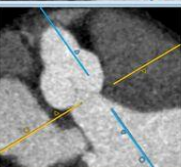
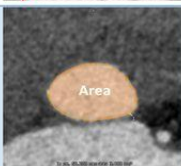
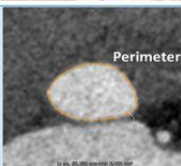
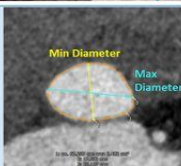
GUIDELINES

Computed Tomography Imaging in the Context of Transcatheter Aortic Valve Implantation (TAVI)/Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement (TAVR)

An Expert Consensus Document of the Society of Cardiovascular Computed Tomography

Philipp Blanke, Jonathan R. Weir-McCall, Stephan Achenbach, Victoria Delgado, Jörg Hausleiter, Hasan Jilaihawi, Mohamed Marwan, Bjarne L. Nørgaard, Niccolo Piazza, Paul Schoenhagen and Jonathon A. Leipsic

Freehand tool or Hounsfield-based Contour detection	Polygon	Spline
Non-smoothened, irregular line following path of cursor or detected attenuation threshold	Manual placed segmentation points connected by straight line without interpolation	Manual placed segmentation points connected by a cubic spline interpolation – ‘elastic ruler’
		
		
Systematic overestimation of perimeter due to non-smoothened contour; Smoothing algorithms, can allow for more realistic perimeter assessment.	Depending on the number of dots, this may yield a closer estimate of perimeter than freehand contouring without smoothing	Accurate quantification of annular perimeter

Step & Description	Multiplanar reformats		
Step 1: Start out with multi-planar images in default axial, sagittal, and coronal orientation; center cross-hairs onto the aortic valve			
Step 2: Align the cross-hairs in the sagittal and coronal views with the long axis of the aortic root; the resulting double oblique transverse view will depict the aortic valve en face.			
Step 3: Move the double oblique transverse plane up and down to identify the lowest insertion point of the right coronary cusp which is usually located at about 1 o'clock. Position the center of the cross-hairs exactly at the most basal insertion point of the right coronary cusp (white arrow head).			
Step 4: Rotate the cross-hairs counter-clock-wise without moving up and down while maintaining its center position so that the formerly coronal view (here red cross-hair) transects the lowest insertion point of the non-coronary cusp, which is located at approximately 8 o'clock (white arrow head).			
Step 5: The formerly coronal, now double-oblique view will show the lowest insertion point both of the right coronary cusp and the non-coronary cusp (white arrow heads). In this view, rotate the (here orange) cross-hair indicating the double-oblique transverse view to transect exactly through the most basal insertion point of the non-coronary cusps. Once this is achieved, the transverse double oblique plane will contain two of the three lowest cusp insertion points.			
Step 6: In the formerly sagittal view, rotate (without moving it) the cross-hair of the transverse double oblique plane (here orange) until the lowest insertion point of the left coronary cusp just barely appears in the double oblique transverse view (white arrow head). Now, the formerly axial plane is exactly aligned with the lowest cusp insertion points of all three aortic cusps and represents both the orientation as well as the level of the annular plane.			
Step 7: Measurements of aortic annulus dimensions should be performed in the annular plane by means of a contouring tool.			

CT for TAVI: DATA

1 Vascular Access

2 Coronary Ostia

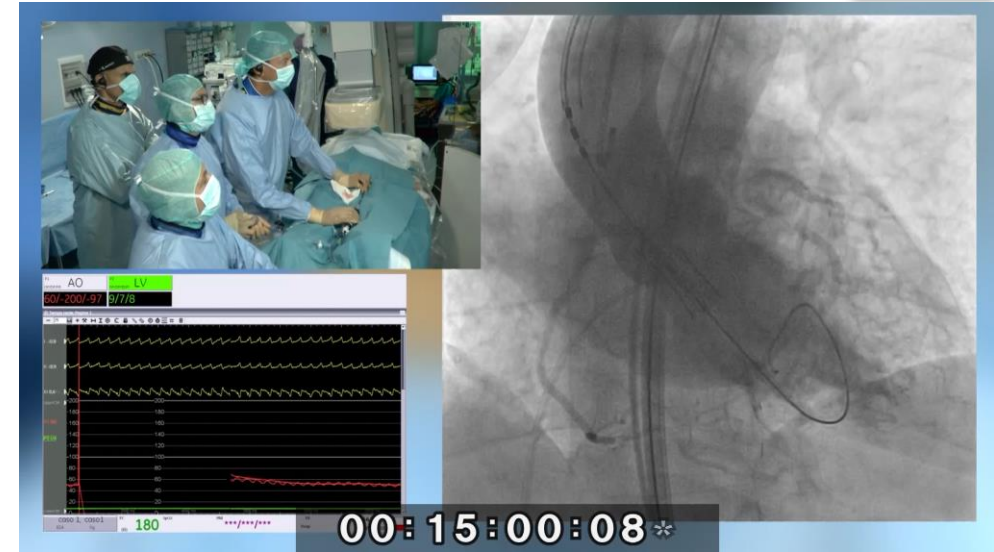
3 Annulus Dimensions / Sizing

4 Fluoroscopic Angulation

Table 4 Procedural Outcomes

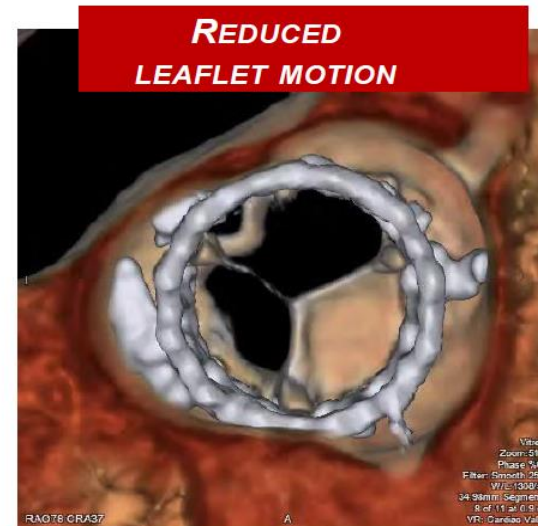
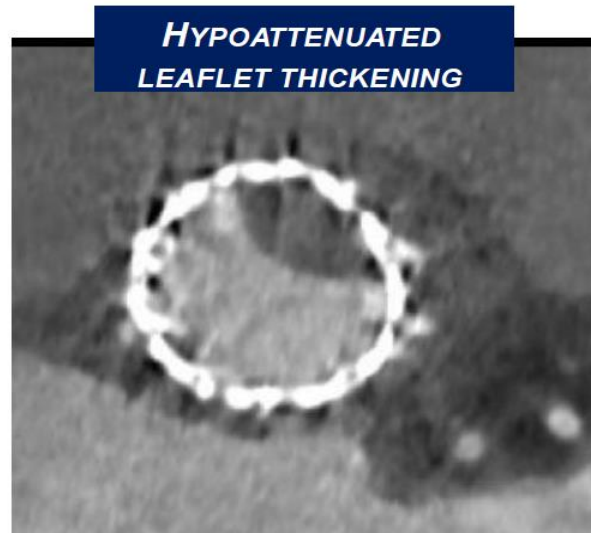
	MDCT Group (n = 133)	Control Group (n = 133)	p Value
Procedural mortality	0 (0)	0.8 (1)	0.316
In-hospital mortality	3.8 (5)	6.8 (9)	0.272
30-day mortality	5.3 (7)	6.8 (9)	0.606
Annular rupture	0.8 (1)	0.8 (1)	1.000
THV embolization	0 (0)	1.5 (2)	0.156
THV-in-THV implantation	0.8 (1)	2.3 (3)	0.314
Procedural myocardial infarction	0.8 (1)	0 (0)	0.316
Post-dilation	12.8 (17)	12.8 (17)	1.000
Permanent pacemaker implantation	8.3 (11)	9 (12)	0.827
Paravalvular regurgitation			
None	27.8 (37)	28.6 (38)	0.892
Mild	66.9 (89)	58.6 (78)	0.163
More than mild	5.3 (7)	12.8 (17)	0.032
Severe	0 (0)	4.5 (6)	0.013

Fluoroscopic intraprocedural guidance



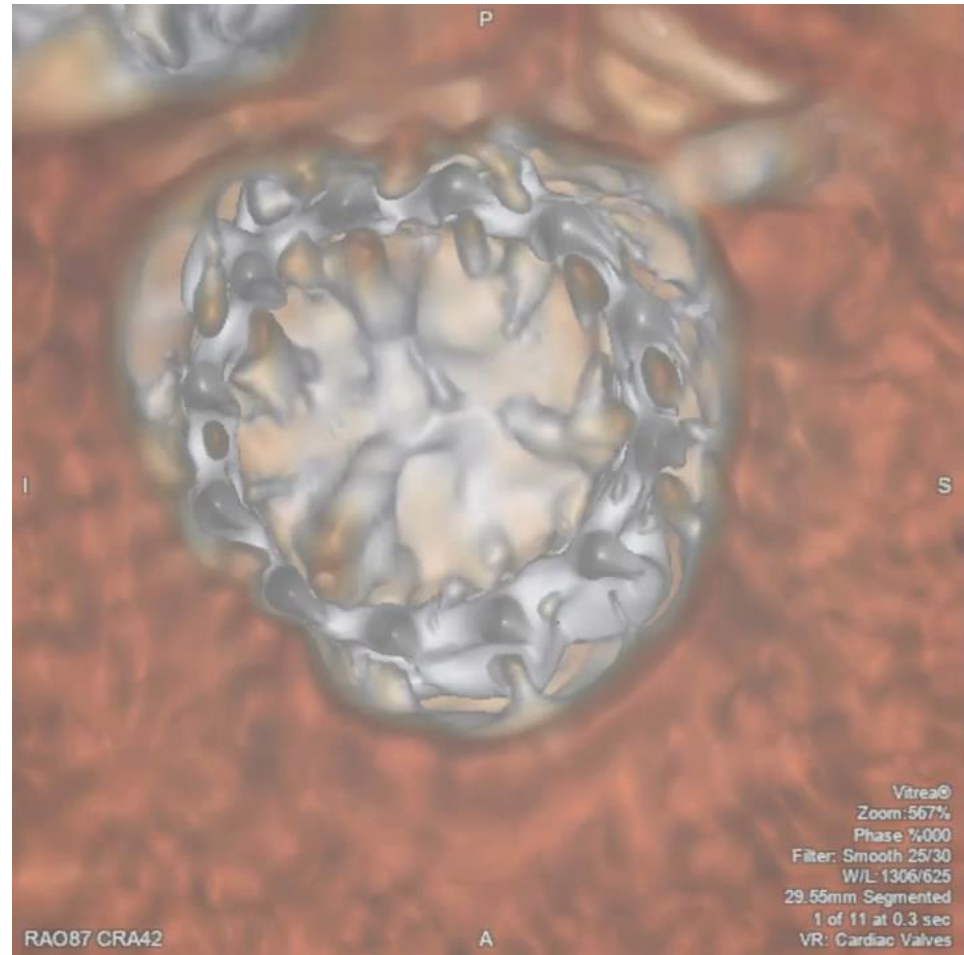
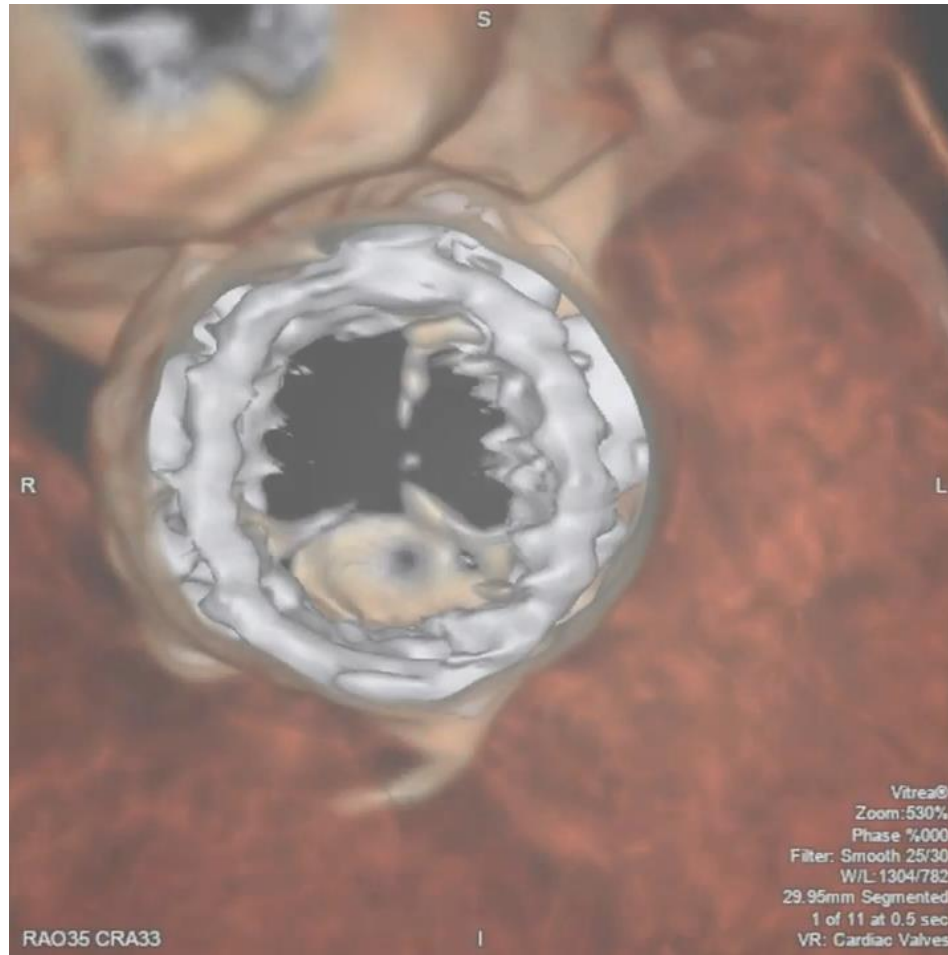
Subclinical leaflet thrombosis in TAVI and SAVR bioprostheses

- Reduced leaflet motion (RELM) was found in 40% in the Portico trial and 13% in the registries
- OAC vs DAPT was associated with a lower RELM (0% vs. 55%, $P=0.01$, in the clinical trial; 0% vs. 29%, $P=0.04$, in the registries)
- Restoration of leaflet motion in all 11 patients who received OAC
- Higher stroke/TIA in patients with RELM (18% vs 1%, $P=0.007$, in the registries)



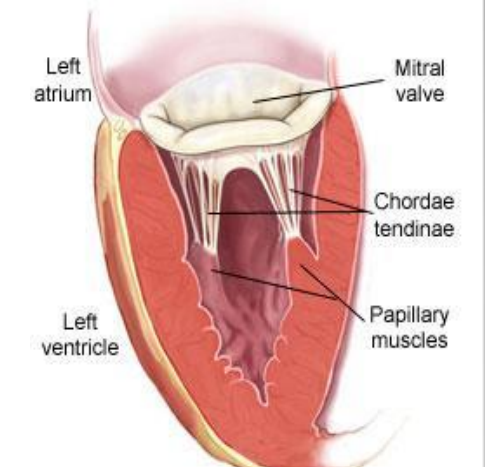
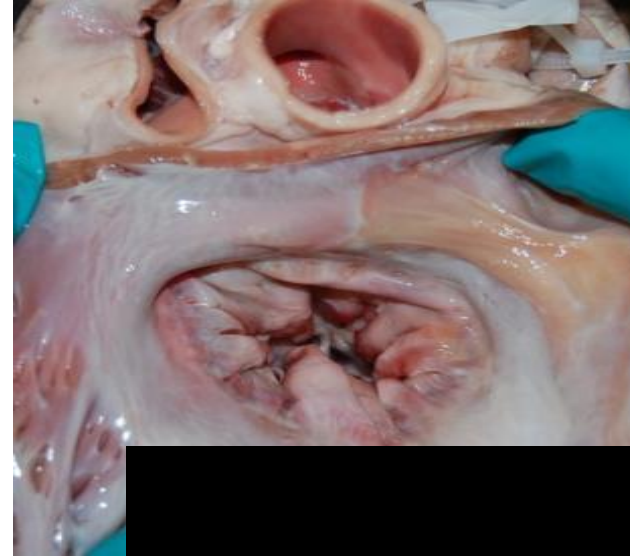
Makkar RR et al. *N Engl J Med* 2015

Moderate and severe RELM



The Mitral Valve Complex is Complex!

- It's not round nor "D" shaped – it's asymmetric
- It's not flat – it's saddle-shaped
- Its annulus is not rigid – it's "dynamic"
- It's not passive – it contracts, reducing valve area during systole
- It's a high pressure closure valve, not a high pressure opening valve
- It's got 24+ chords
- It's relatively easy to block aortic outflow
- It's easier to form thrombus on than the AV
- Its annulus changes size as the heart fails
- **MR is not one disease!**

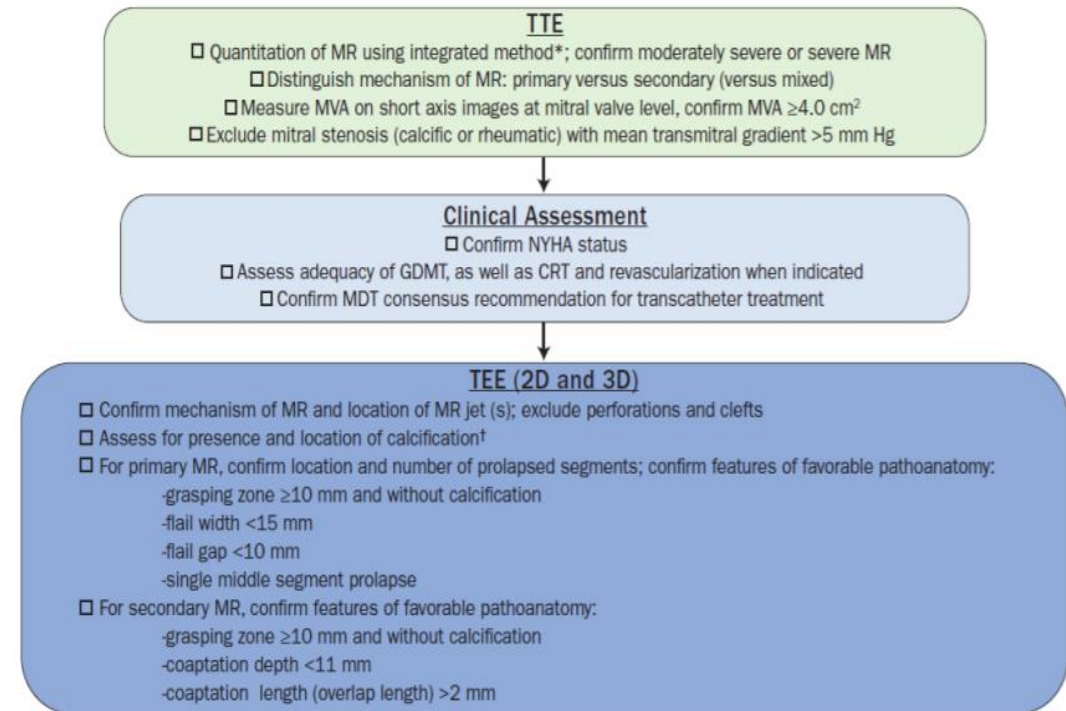


Just Accepted

2020 Focused Update of the 2017 ACC Expert Consensus Decision Pathway on the Management of Mitral Regurgitation

FOCUSED UPDATE WRITING COMMITTEE, Robert O. Bonow, Patrick T. O’Gara, David H. Adams, Vinay Badhwar, Joseph E. Bavaria, Sammy Elmariah, Judy W. Hung, JoAnn Lindenfeld, Alanna A. Morris, Ruby Satpathy, Brian Whisenant and Y. Joseph Woo

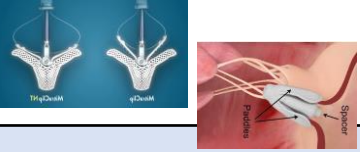

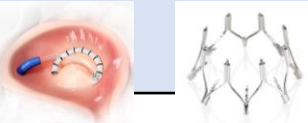

Figure 12. Algorithm for Determining Eligibility for Transcatheter MV Intervention



Transcatheter Repair Devices

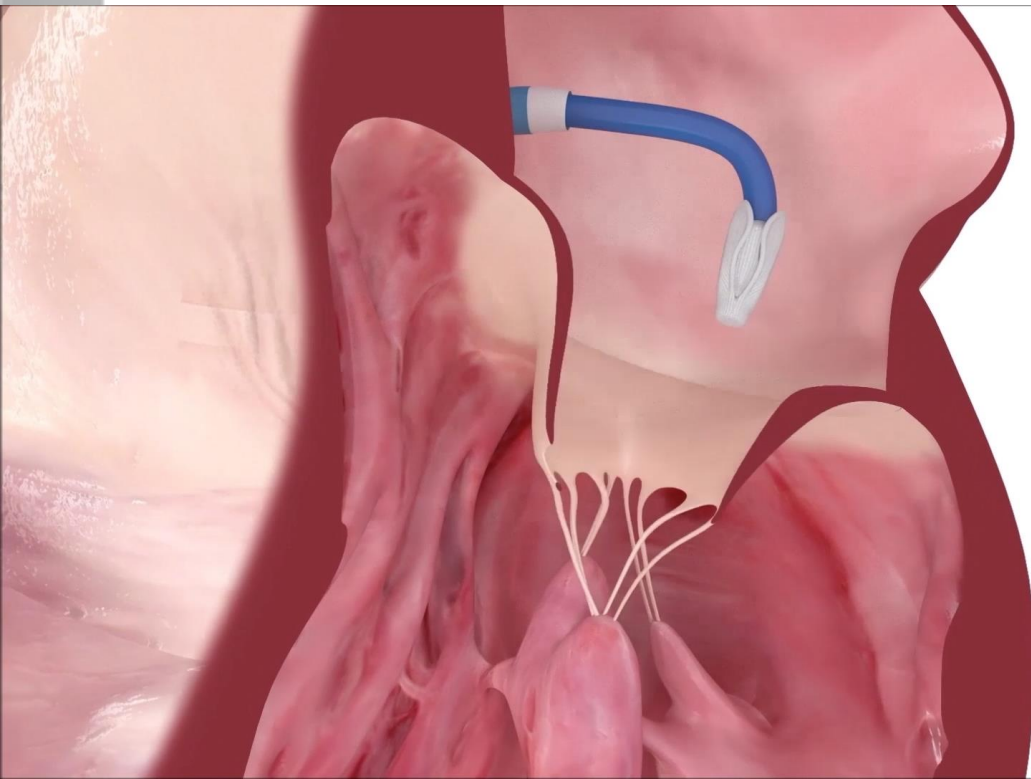
TMVr targets MV leaflets, chordal apparatus, and mitral annulus.

These devices show good safety outcomes, but improvements in ease of use and efficacy are required.

Anatomic Target	Device	Description	Main Indications	Status	Reported # of Treated Patients
Mitral Leaflets 	MitraClip	Edge-to-Edge	Primary and Secondary MR	FDA Approved CE Mark	>80,000
	Pascal	Edge-to-Edge	Primary and Secondary MR	CE Mark	2500
 	Carillon	Coronary Sinus cinching	Secondary MR	CE Mark	>1000
	Cardioband	Direct annuloplasty	Secondary MR	CE Mark	>500
	Millipede	Direct annuloplasty	Secondary MR	-	>65
Chordal Apparatus 	NeoChord	Artificial chordal implantation	Posterior leaflet flail/prolapse	CE Mark	>1100
	Harpoon	Artificial chordal implantation	Posterior leaflet flail/prolapse	-	>65

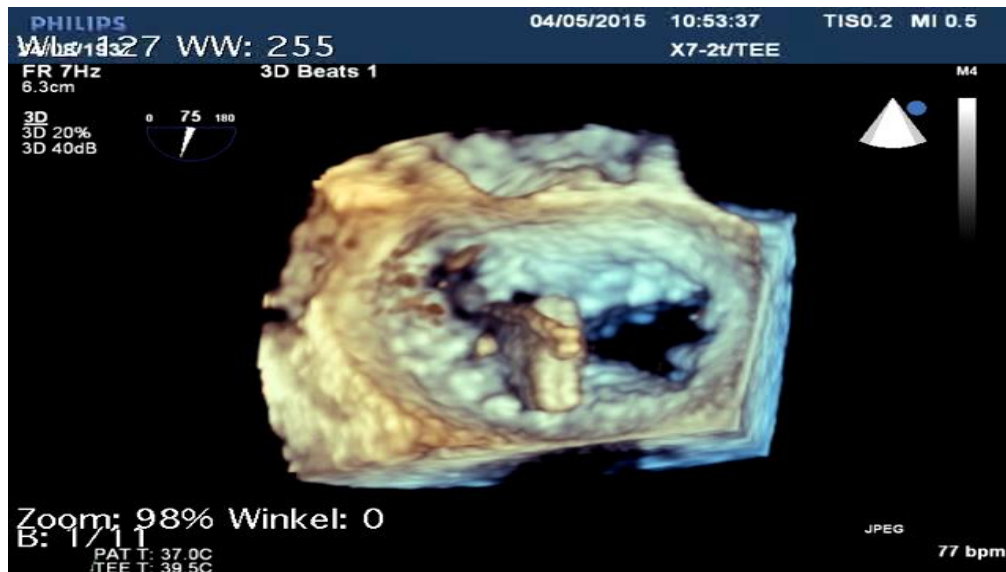
Mitraclip

PASCAL

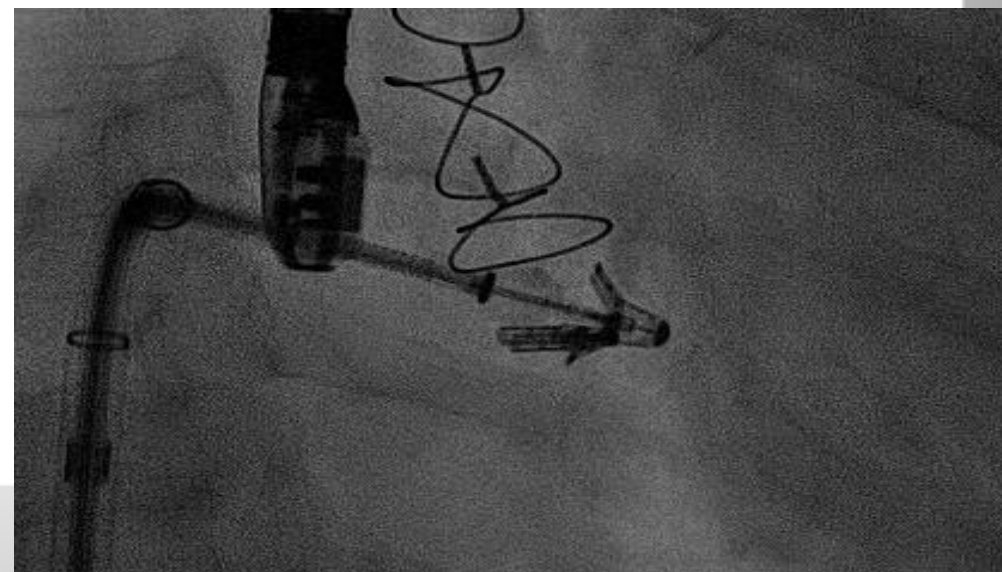


Mitraclip

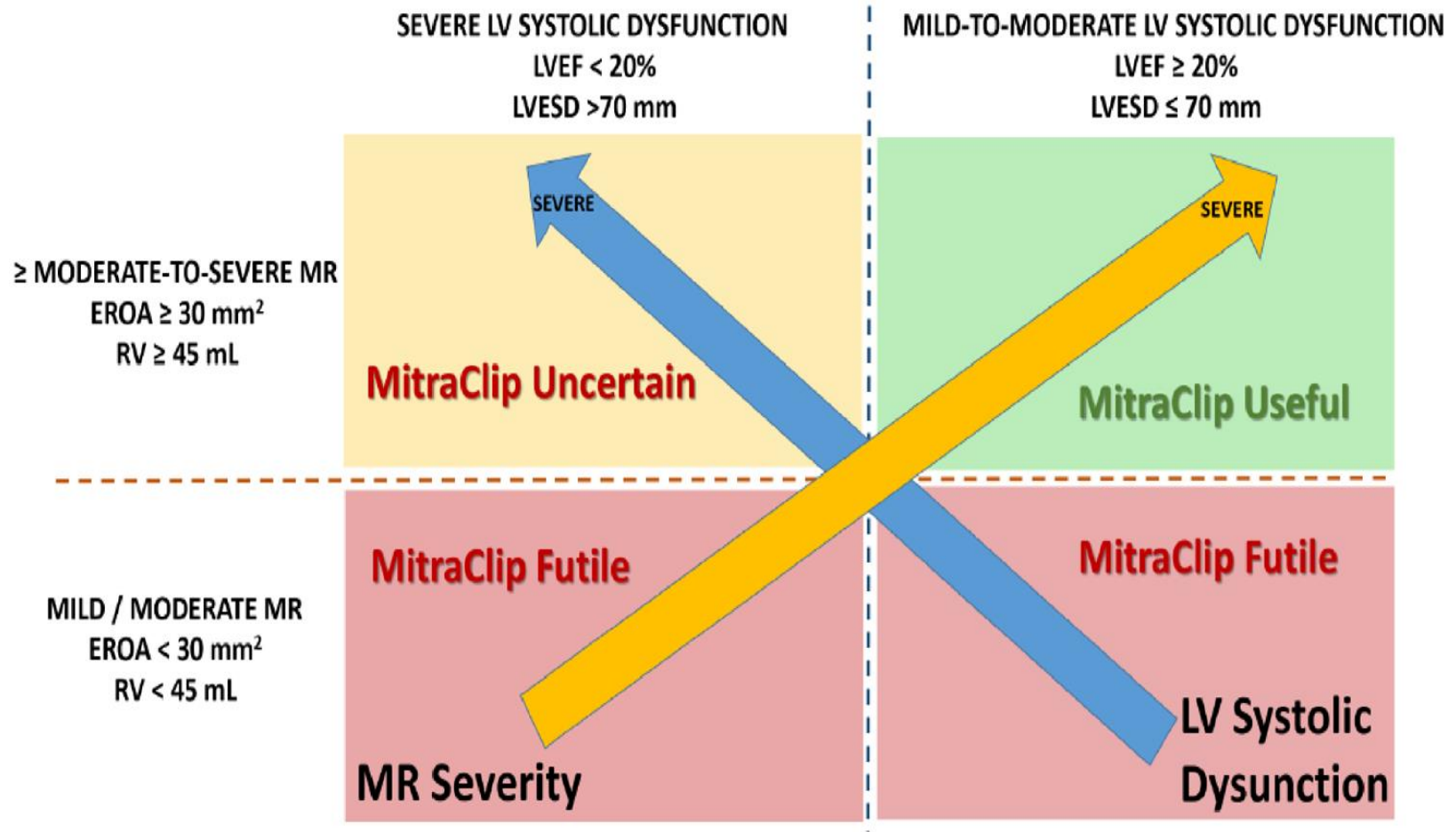
- First



- Second



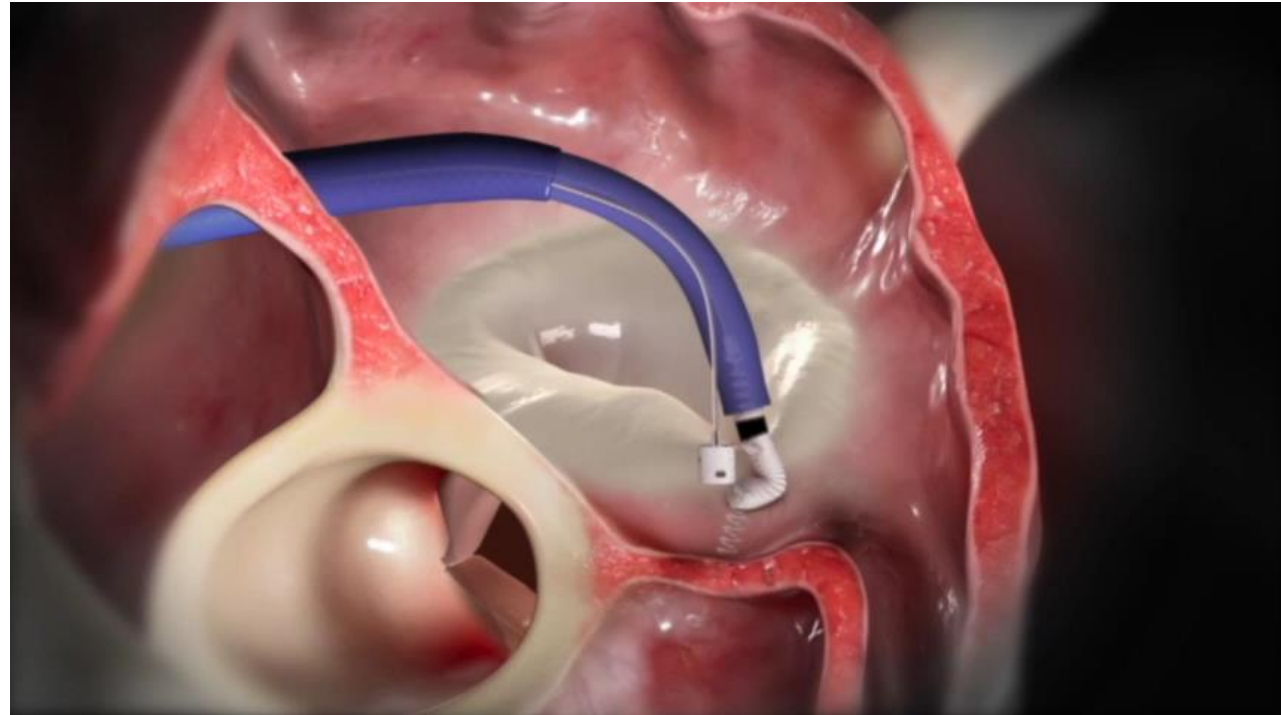
Utility vs. futility of MitraClip procedure according to severity of MR and LV systolic dysfunction



Direct Annuloplasty by Cardioband

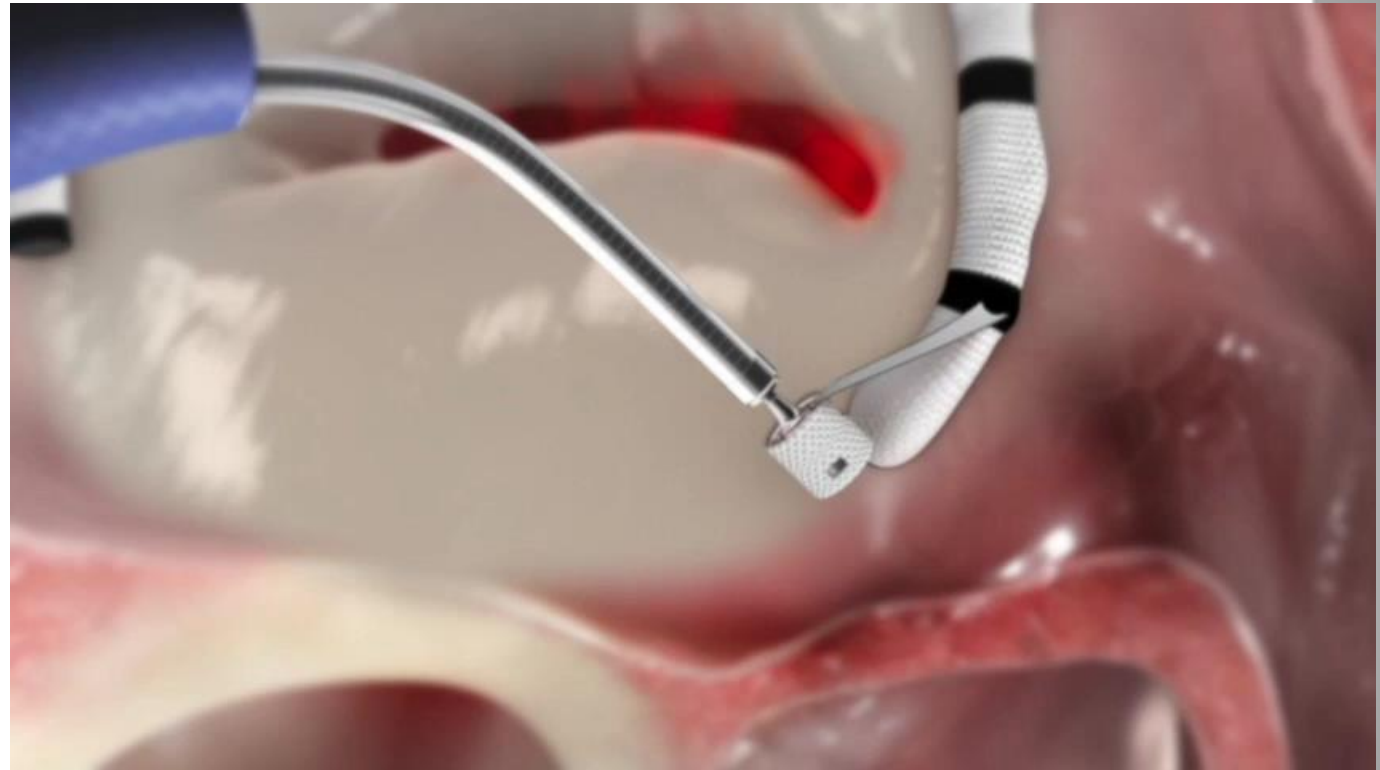
500 patients treated

- **Trans-femoral venous access (transeptal)** – best for safety
- **Supraannular fixation** like in surgery
- **Significant Reduction of Annular dimensions** – device enables reduction of up to size 28 surgical ring
- **Preserves the native anatomy** – keeps future options open



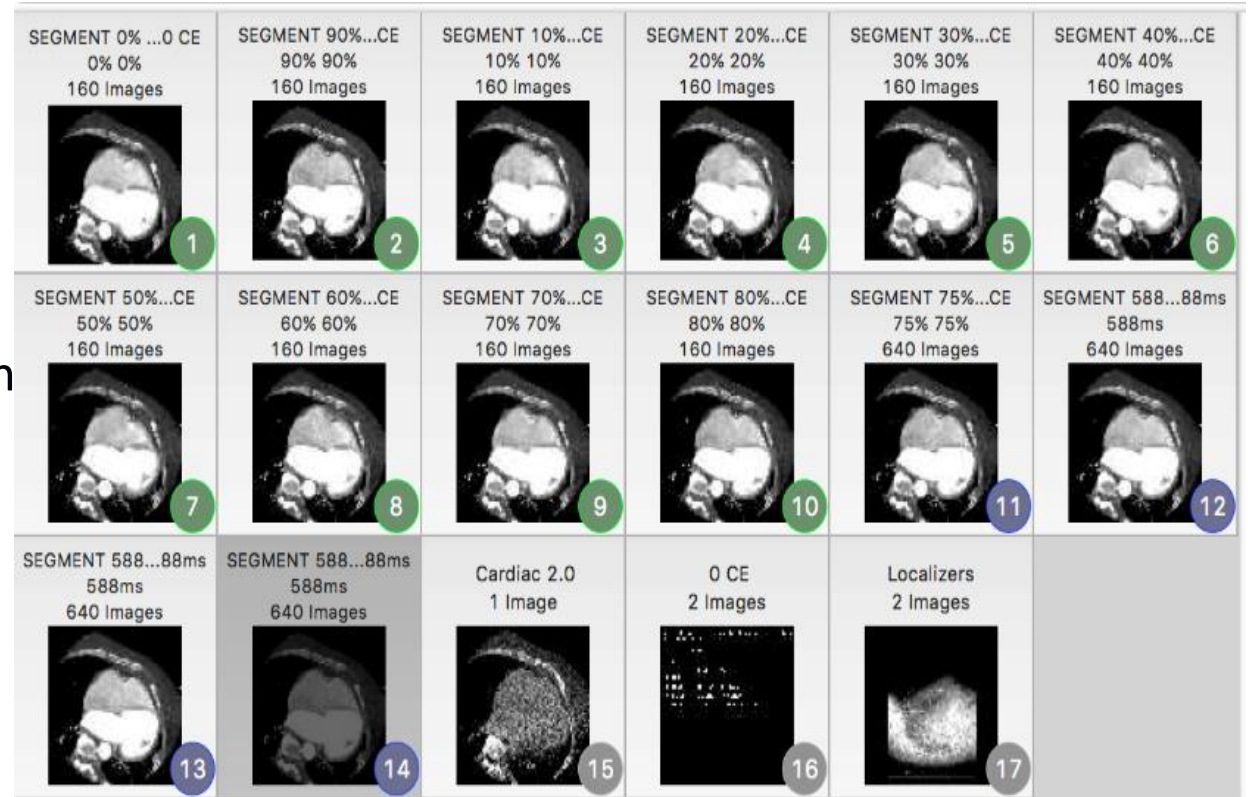
Direct Annuloplasty by Cardioband

- **Trans-femoral venous access (transeptal)** – best for safety
- **Supraannular fixation** like in surgery
- **Significant Reduction of Annular dimensions** – device enables reduction of up to size 28 surgical ring
- Preserves the native anatomy – **keeps future options open**

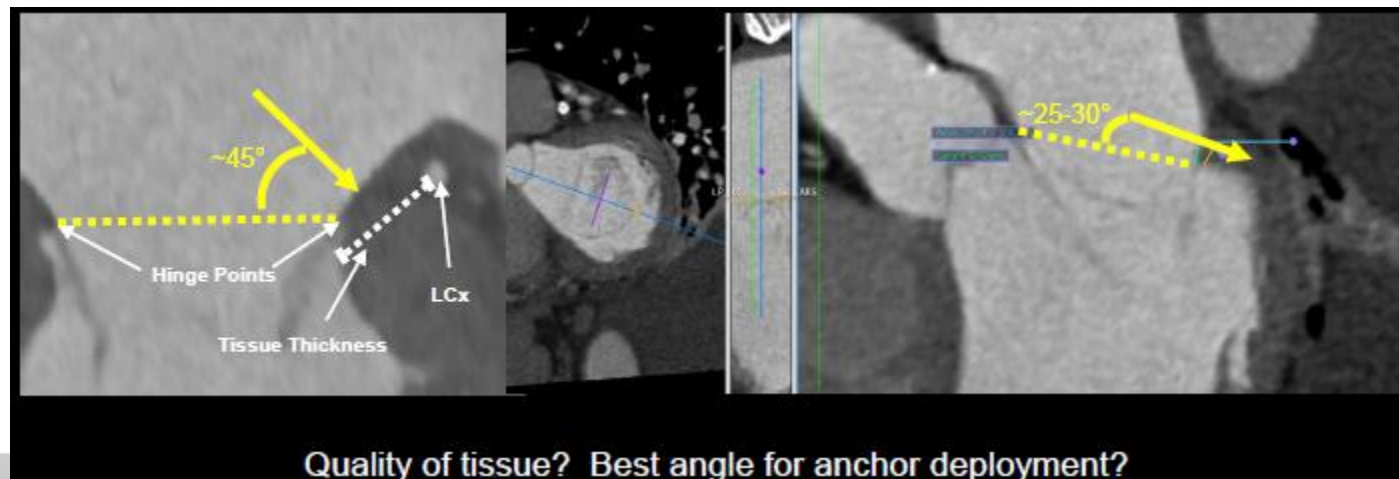
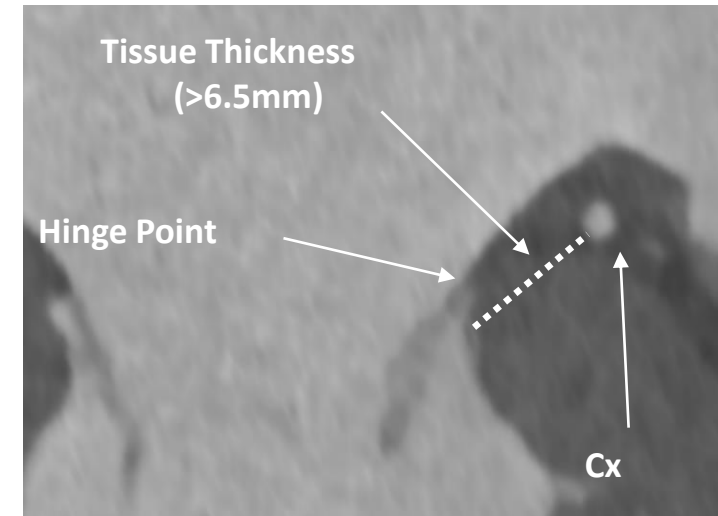
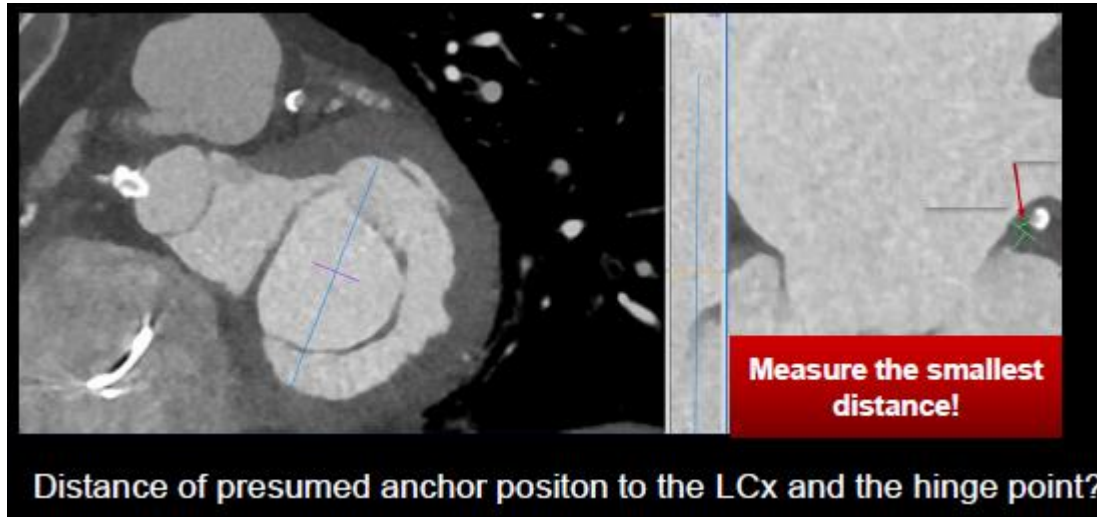


Cardioband Preprocedural imaging: CT

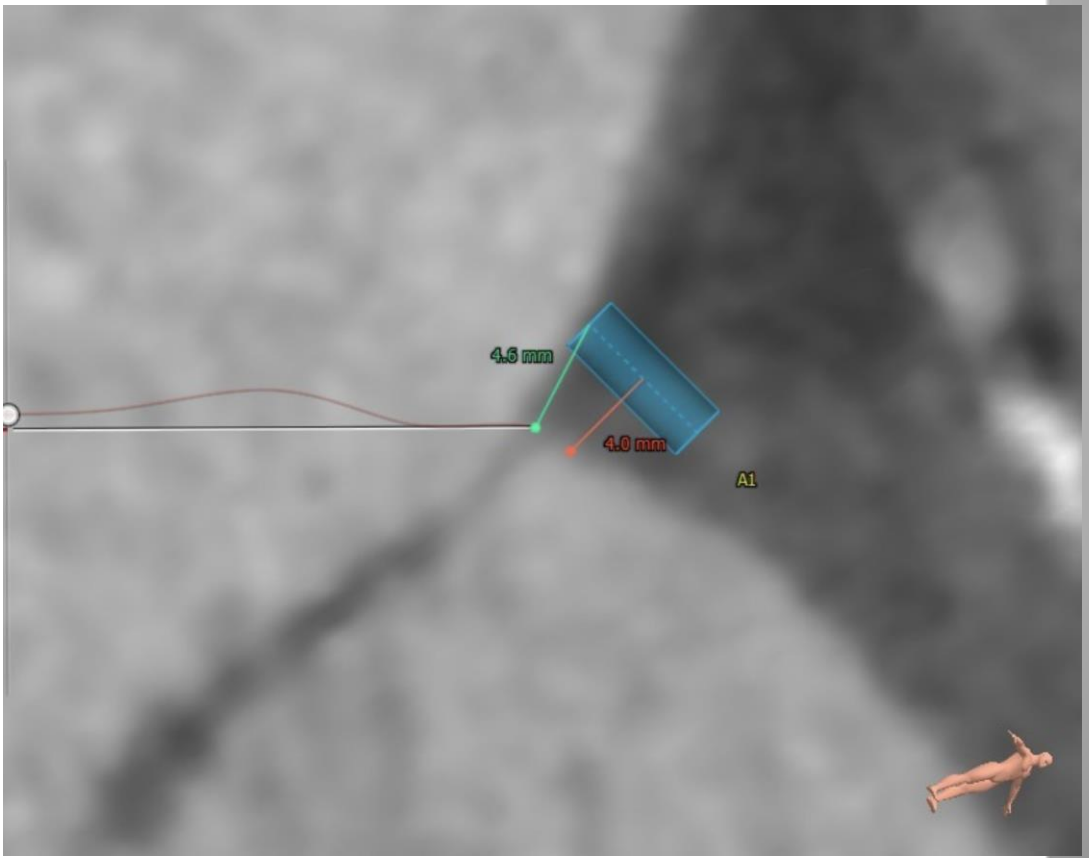
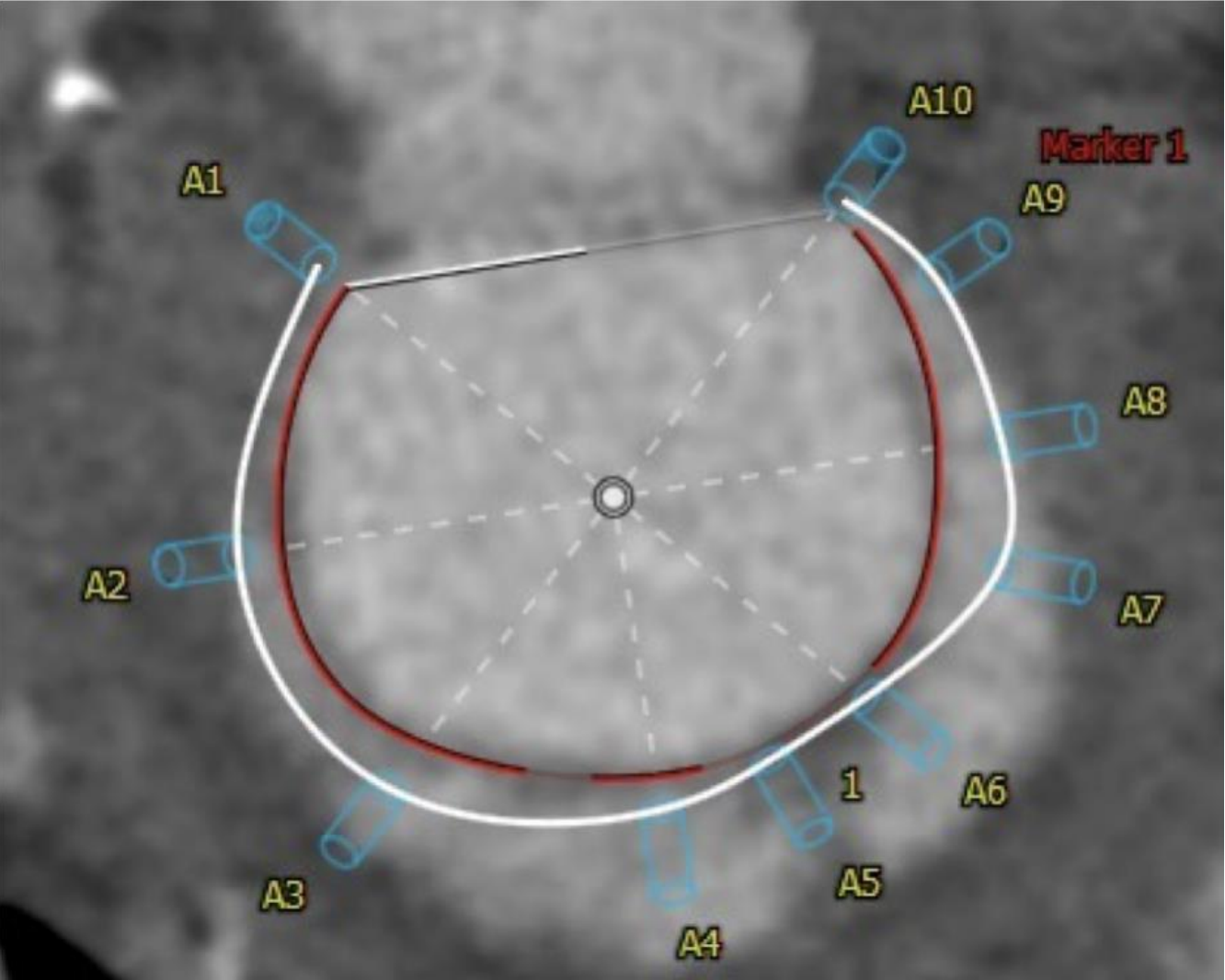
- Procedural Planning
- Mitral annulus measurement
- No significant mitral annulus calcification
- LCx and CS distance/hinge point/angle for anch deployment
- TS puncture (see beyond)
- Need for high CT quality



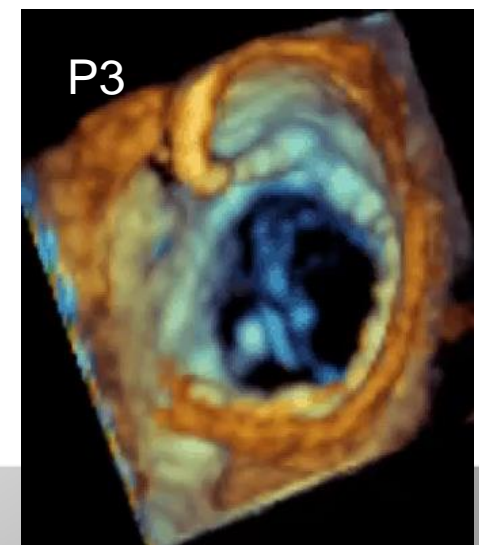
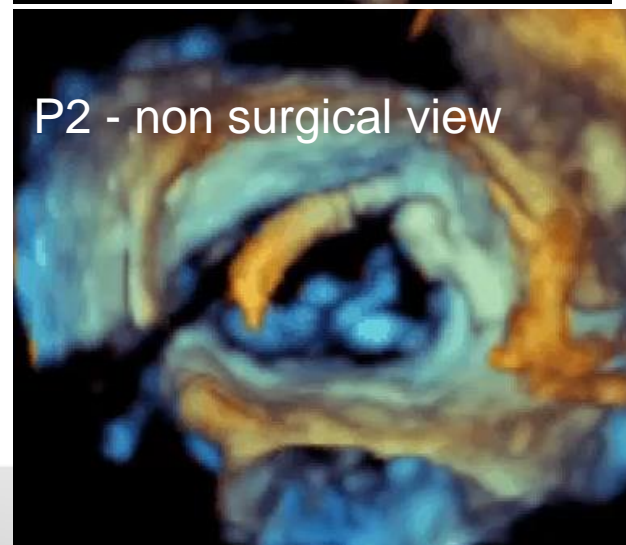
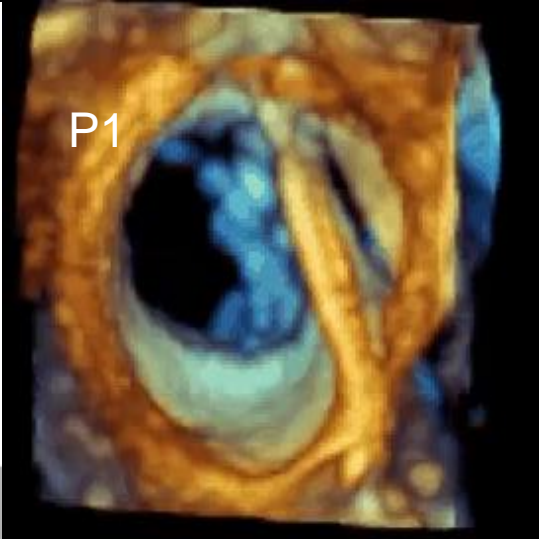
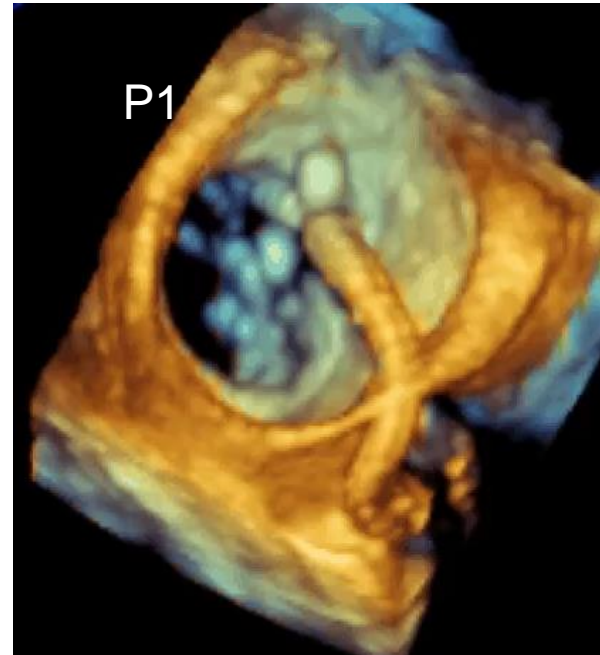
LCx distance/hinge point/angle for anchor deployment



Cardioband Preprocedural imaging: CT



3D TEE views for different regions



Cardioband-procedural steps

Imaging modalities used during different procedural steps

▶ Access

- Femoral vein
- Transseptal puncture

Echo/ Fluoro

▶ Transseptal sheath (TSS) positioning

Echo/ Fluoro

▶ Guide catheter (GC) positioning at the landing zone for the 1st anchor

Echo/ Fluoro

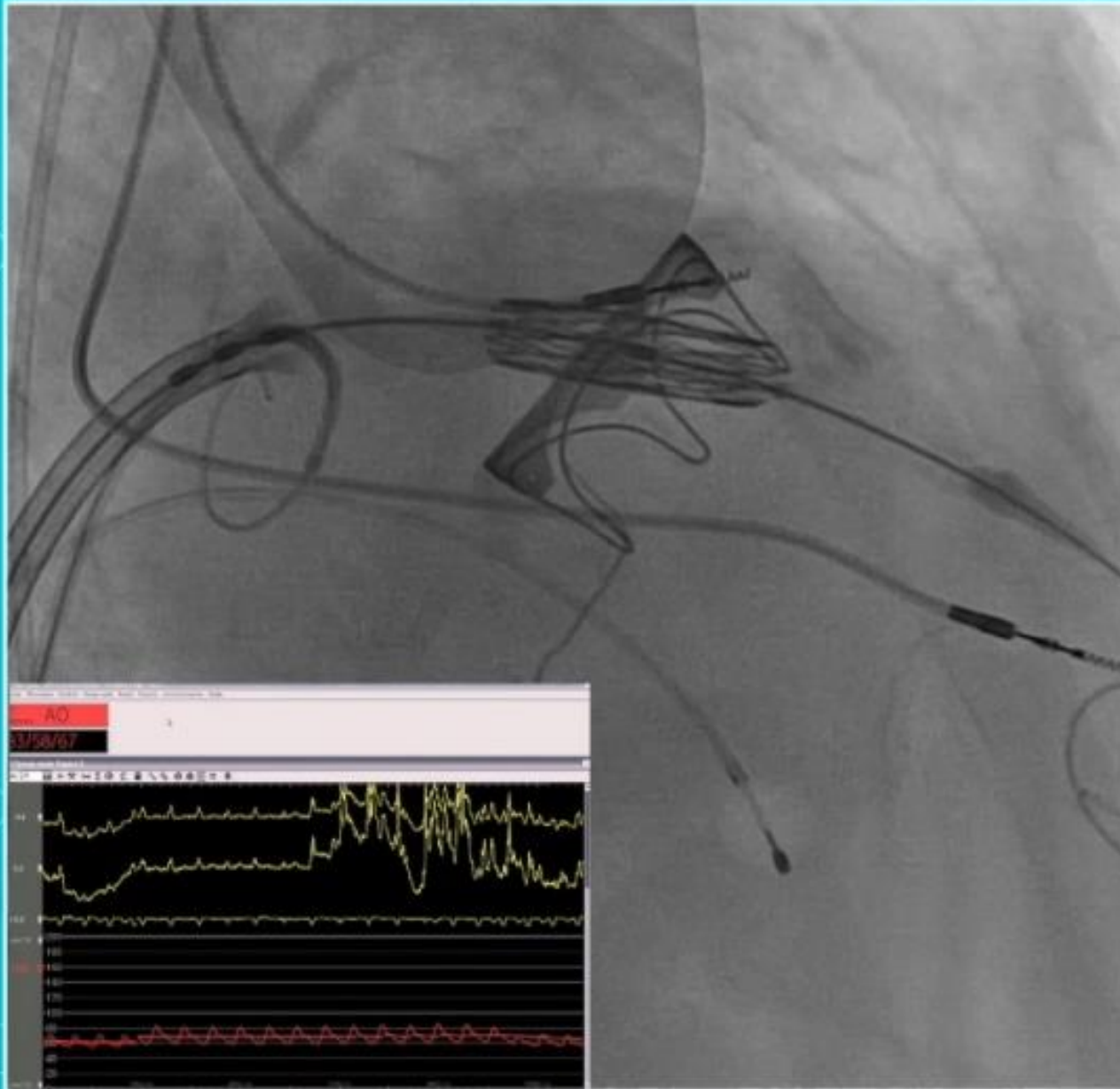
▶ Navigation of the GC/device deployment

Echo/ Fluoro

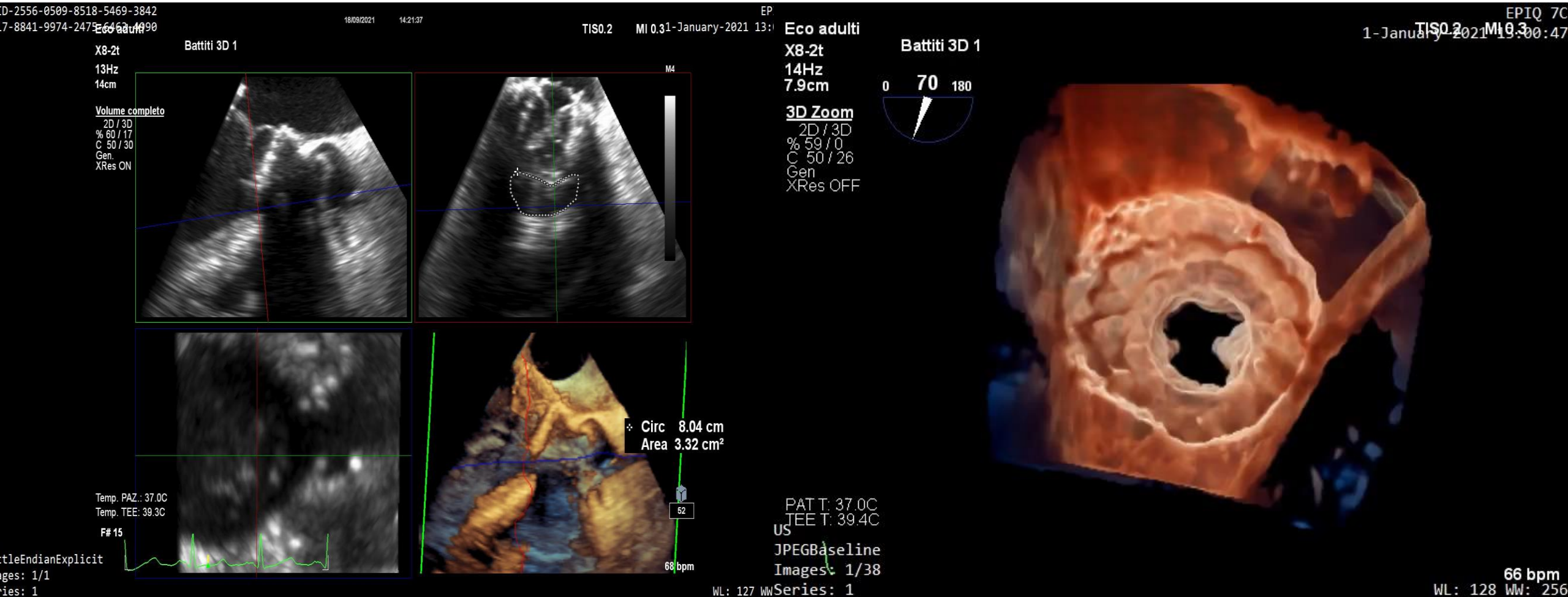
▶ Size adjustment and evaluation of final result (Annular dimensions/ MR grade)

Echo/ Fluoro

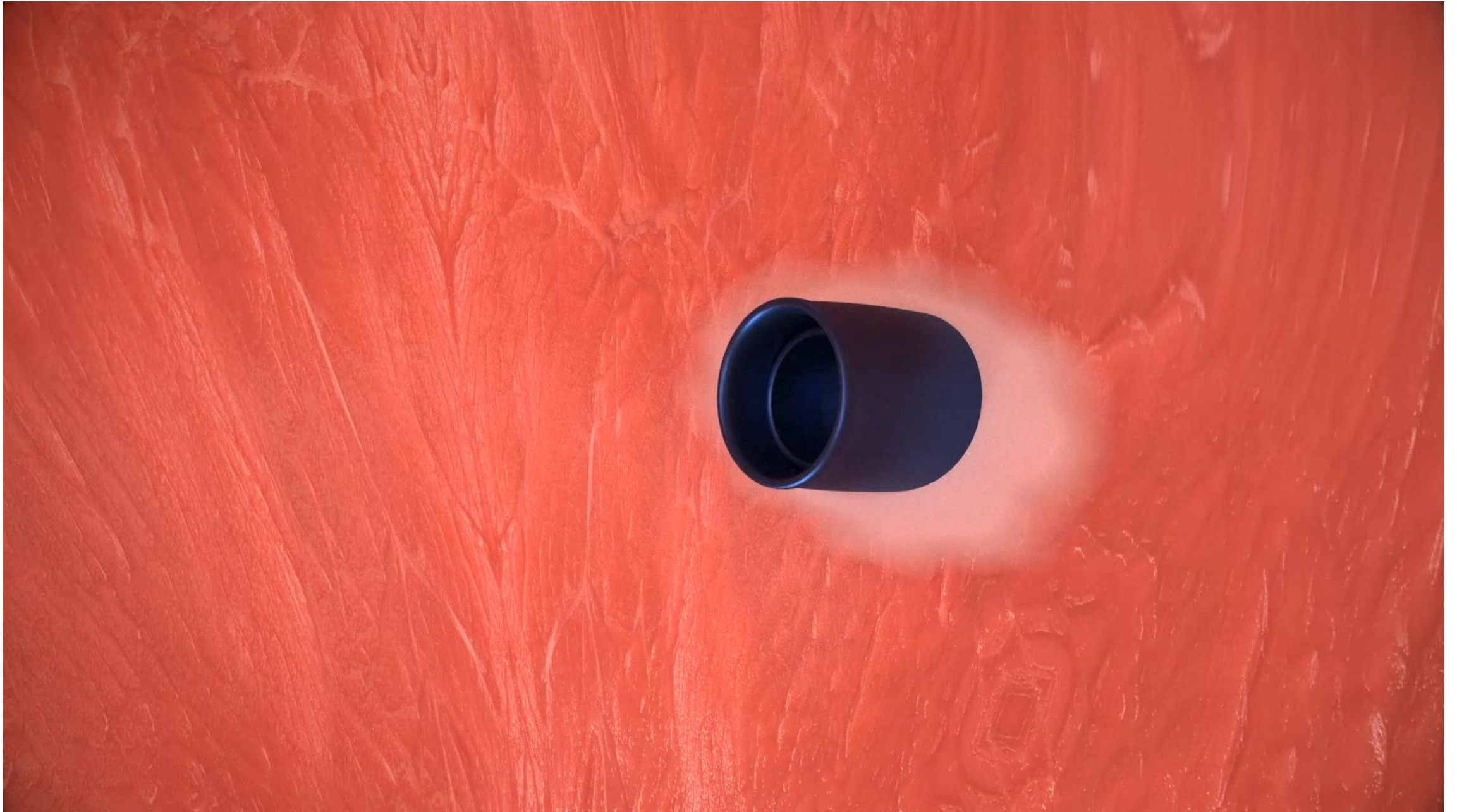
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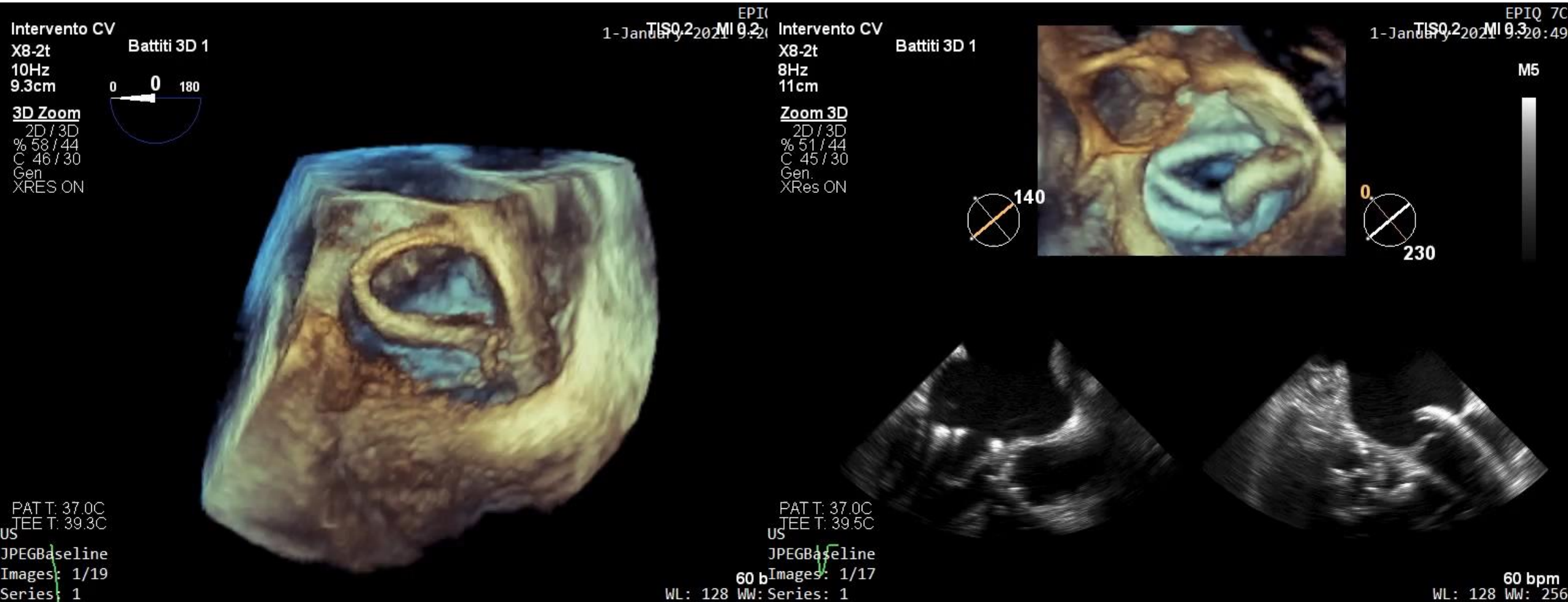
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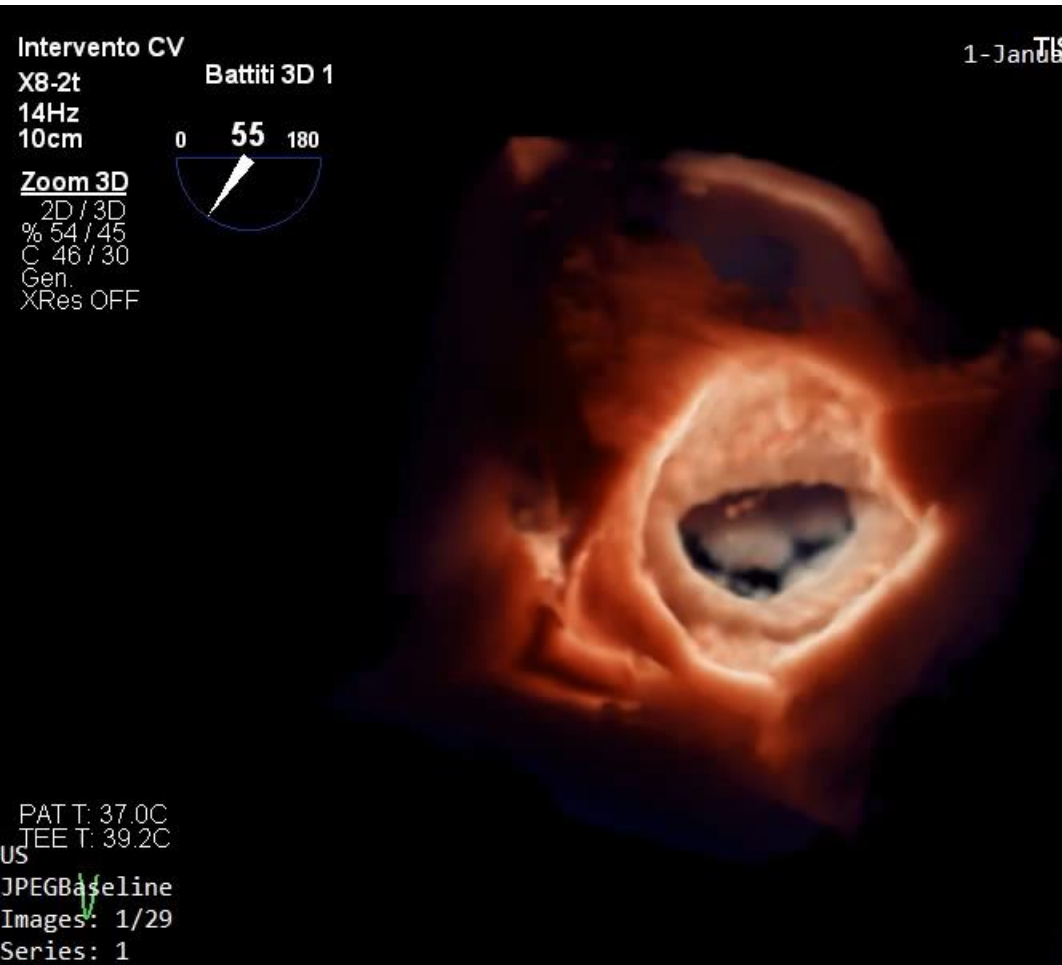
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Valcare Amend direct Transseptal Mitral Anuloplasty: *intraoperative TEE guidance*



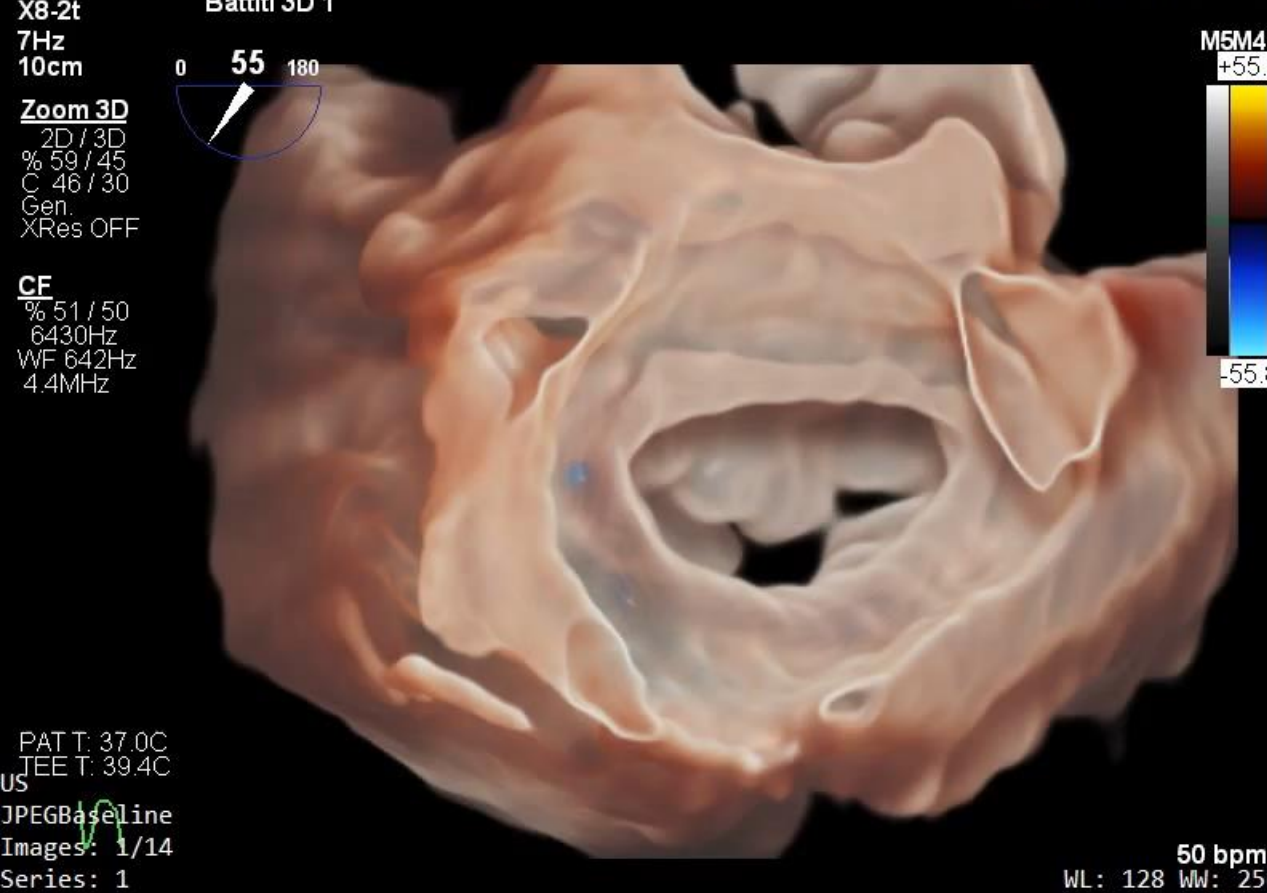
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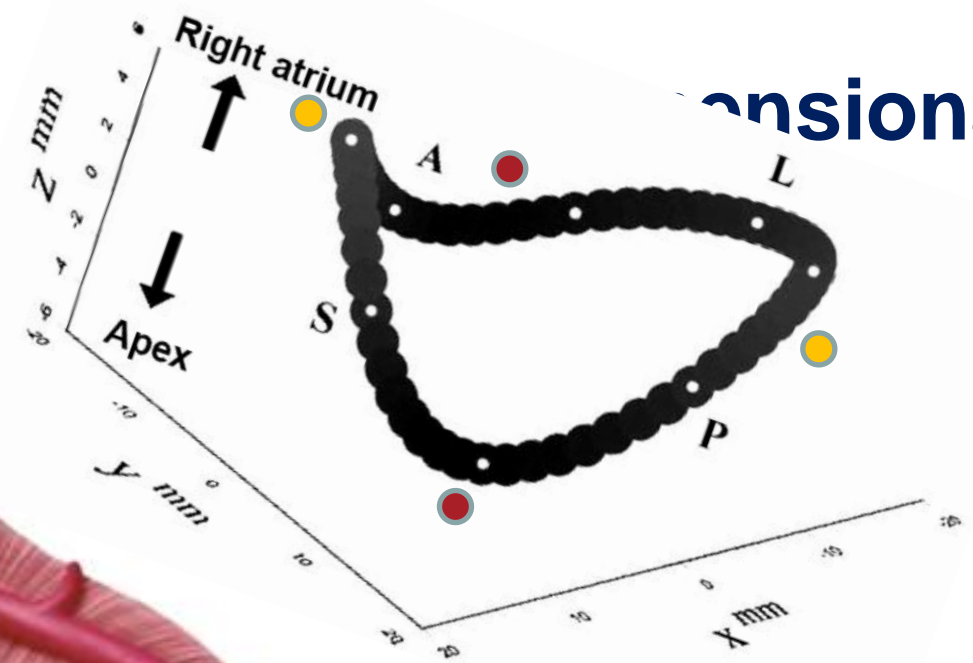
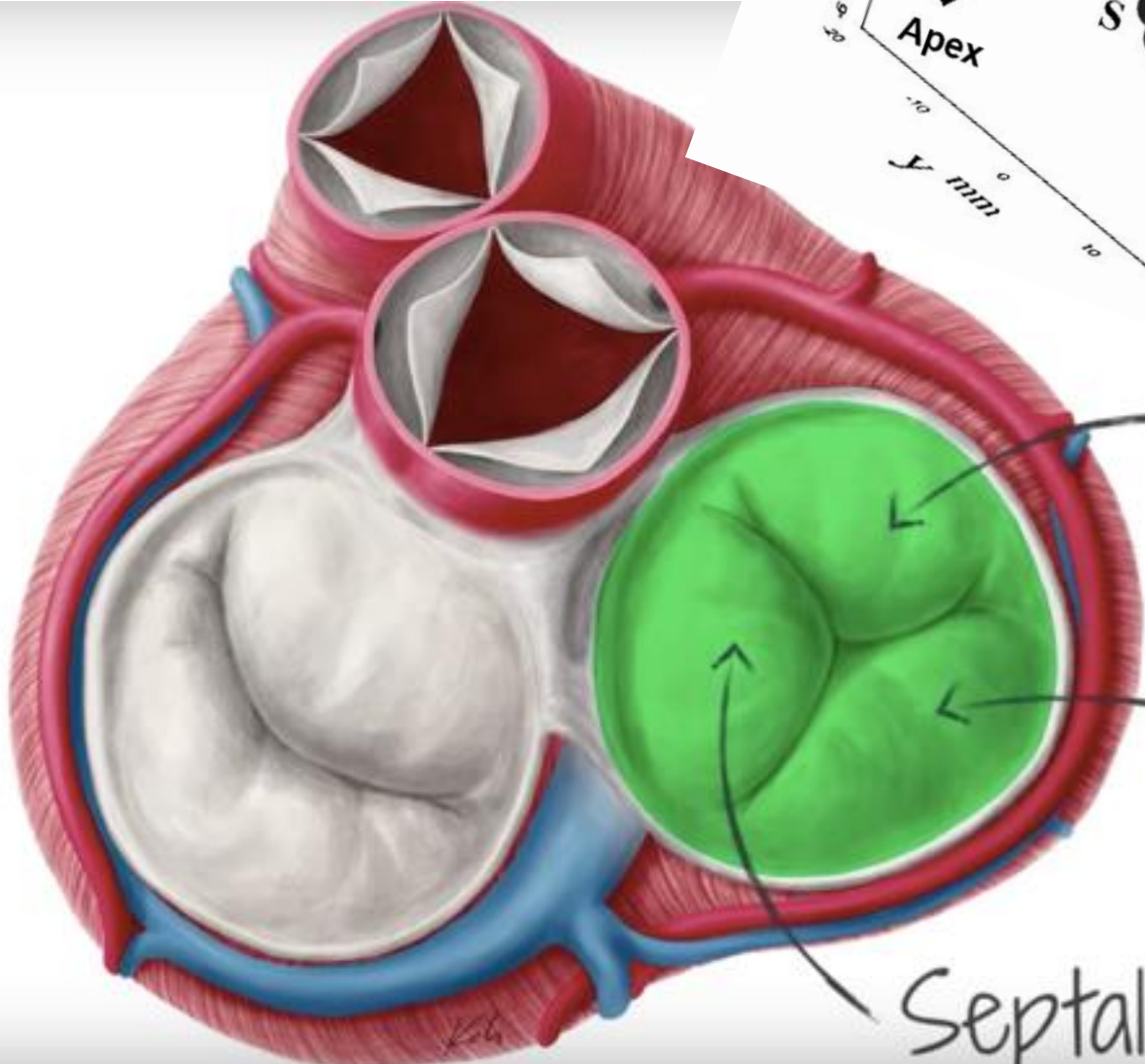
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50 bpm
WL: 128 WW: 256

Tricuspid valve:

Dimensional structure



Anterior

Posterior

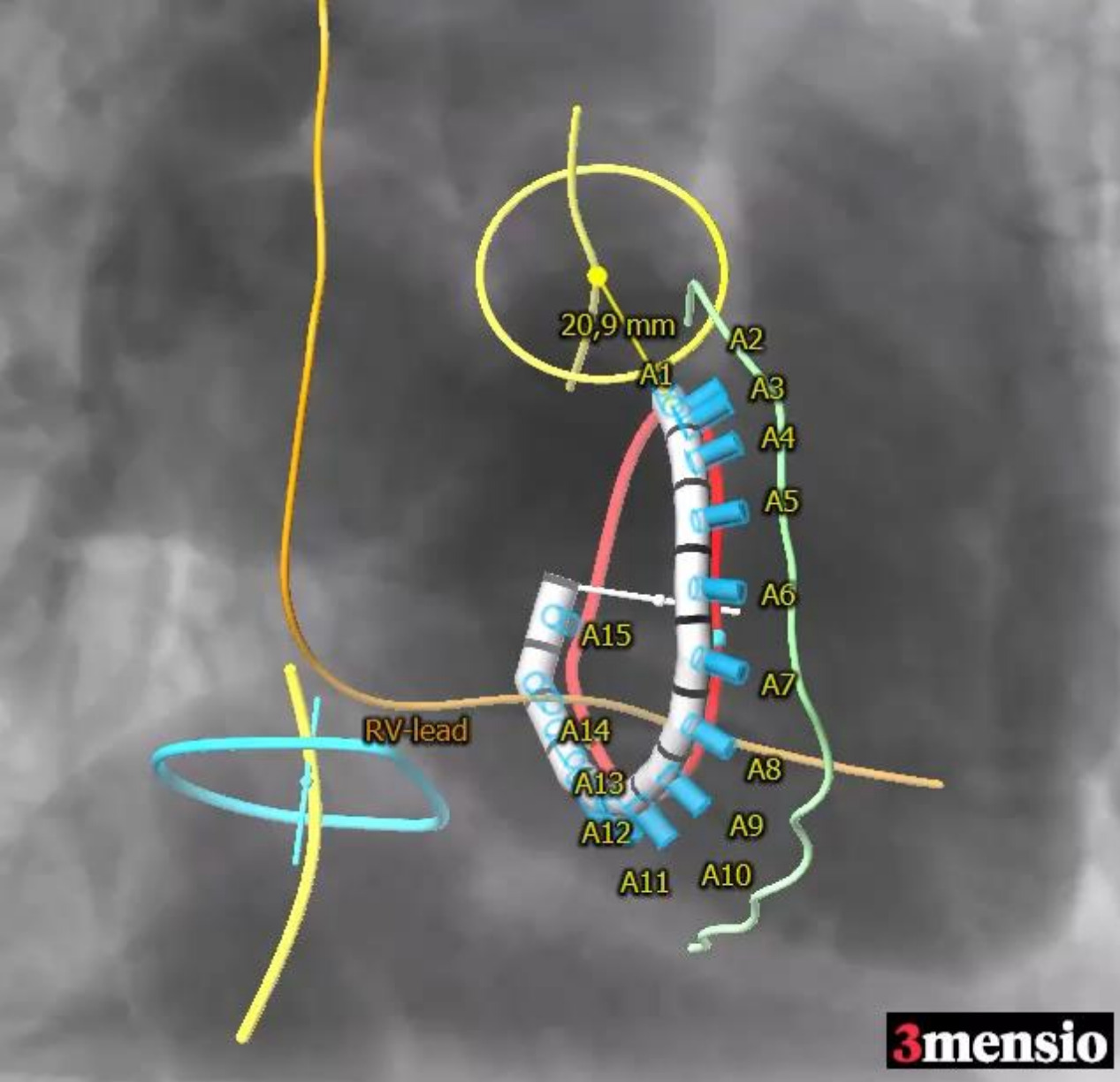
Septal

Cardioband Tricuspid Pre-procedural Planning



1st Anchor to Distal CS Ostia: 102mm

	Recommended measurement range of tricuspid valve annulus from Aorta to Coronary Sinus (mm)	Recommended Cardioband Tricuspid Implant Size	Approximate Cardioband Implant Working Length (mm)
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Annulus Area Diastole

14,4 cm²

1st Anchor to AoV

20,9 mm

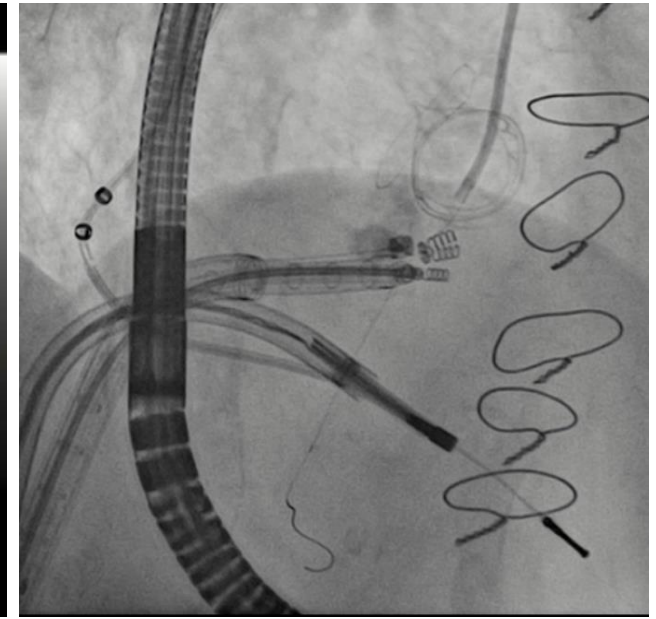
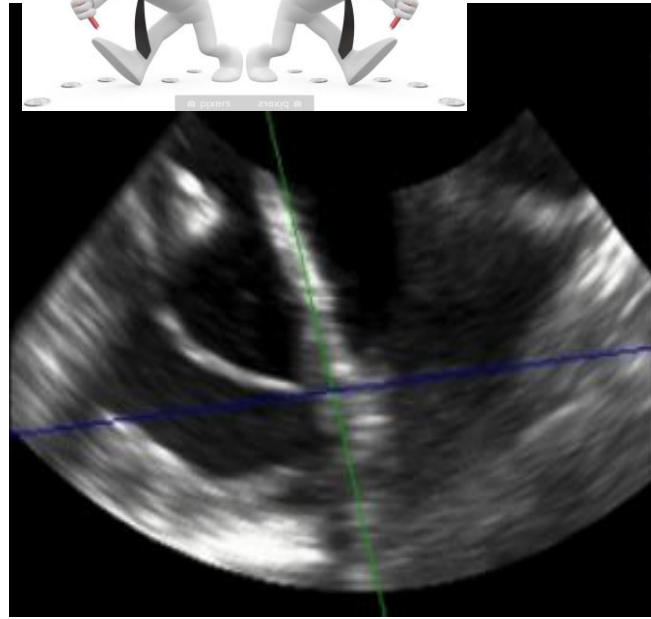
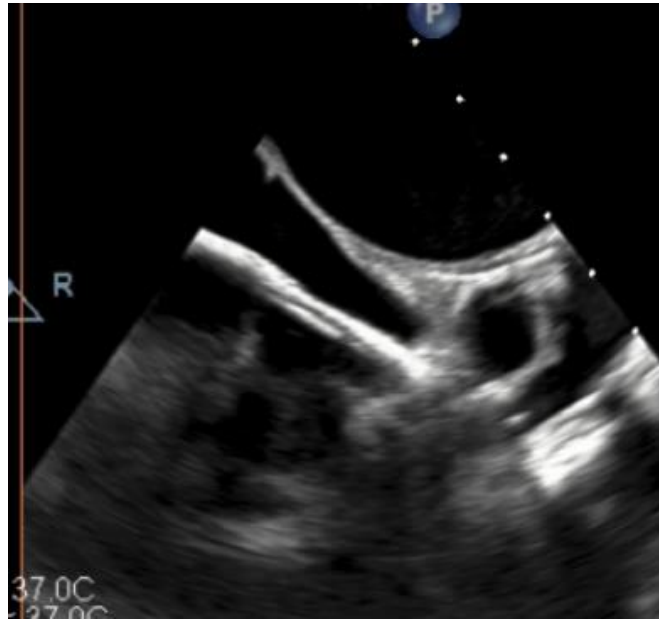
Predicted Annular Device Coverage

73,0%

Annulus Area Systole

Anchors Proximal to RCA

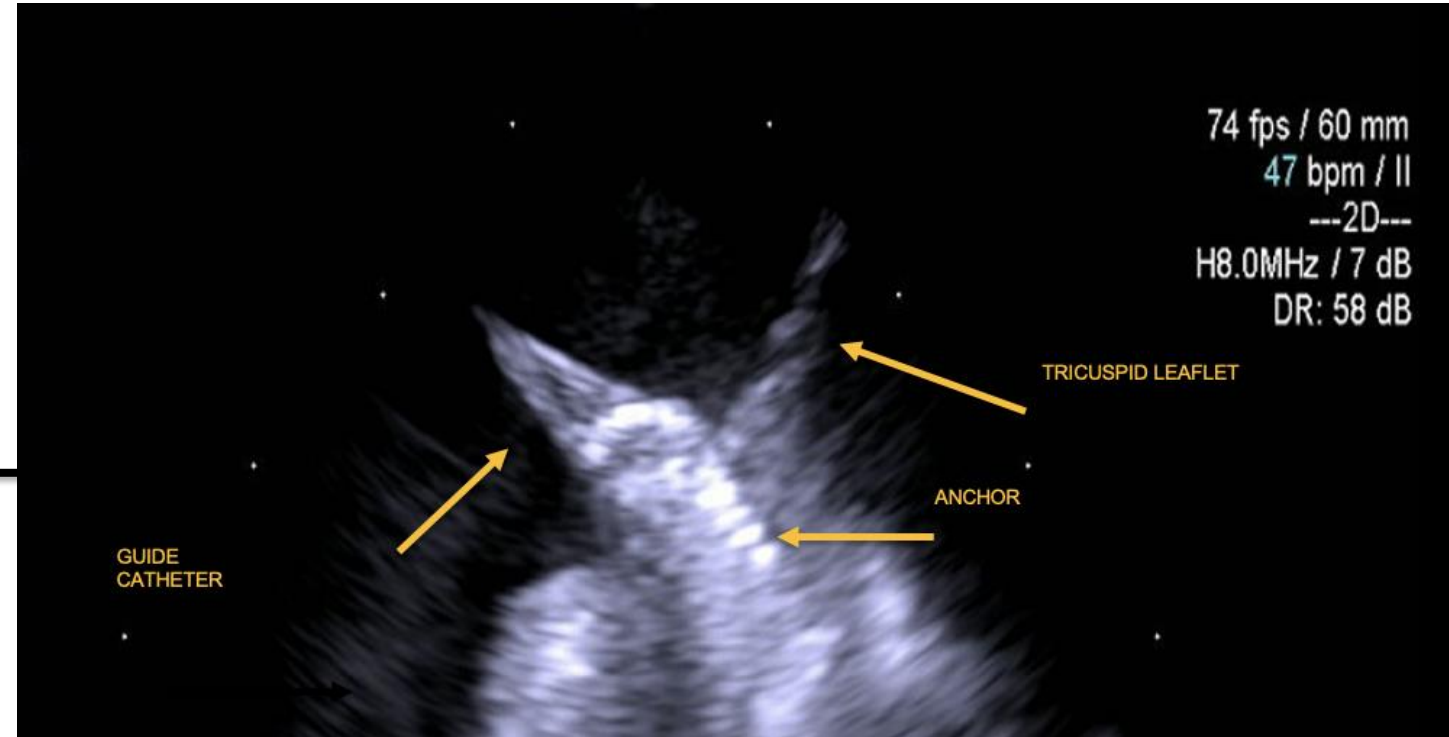
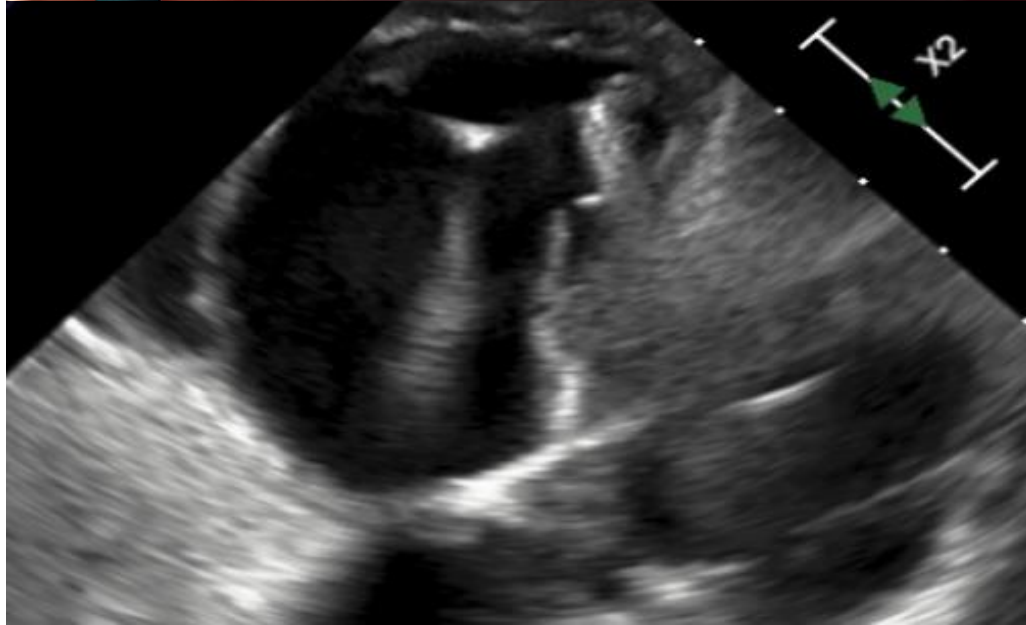
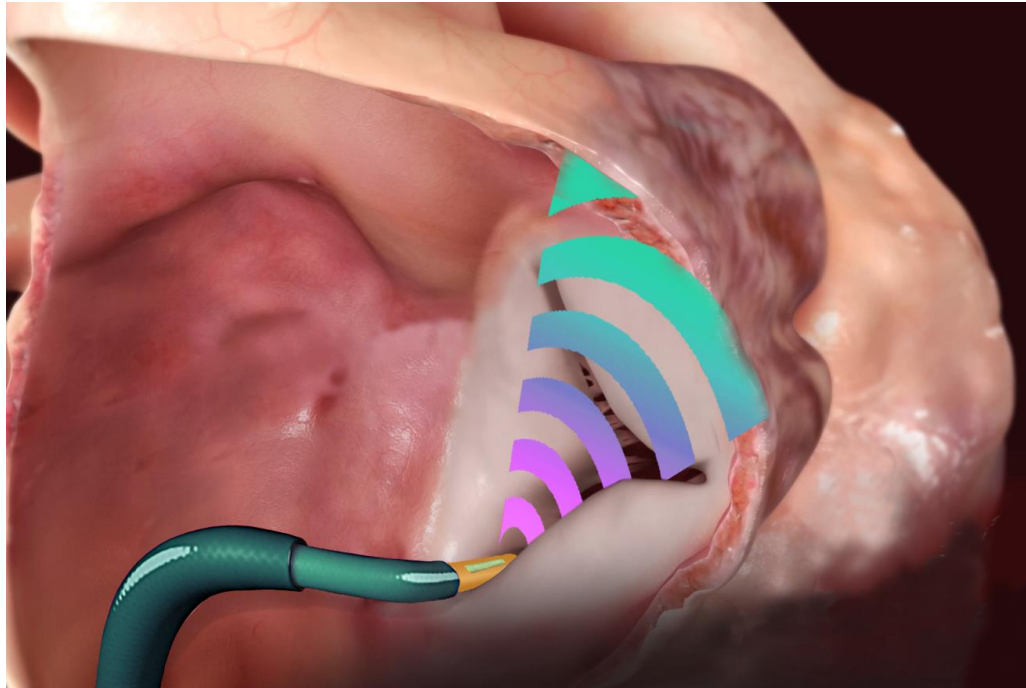
Cardioband Tricuspid System Intraprocedural Echo guidance



TEE
Fluoro

Intra-procedural

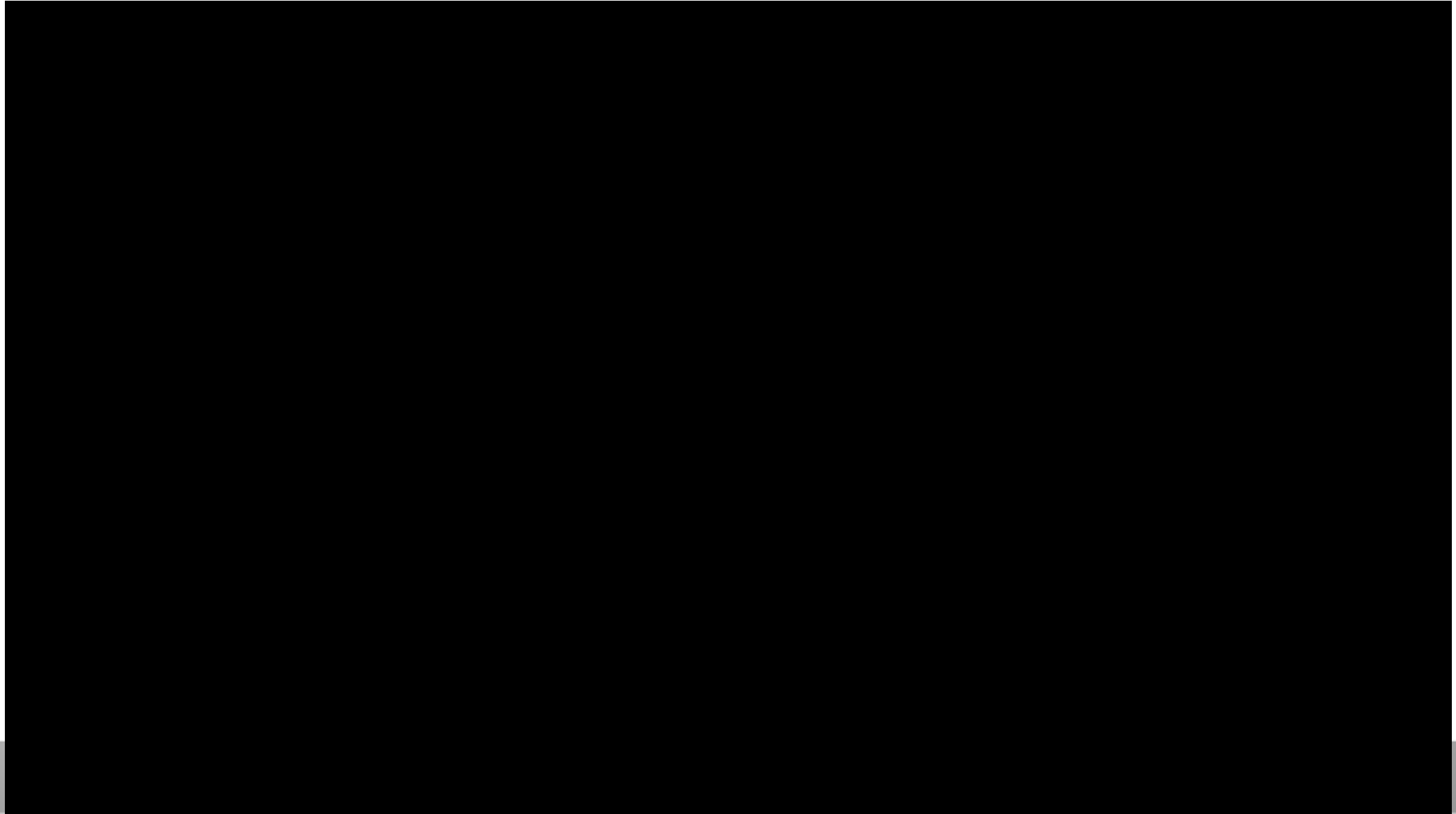
Cardioband Tricuspid System: the additional value of Intracardiac Echocardiography



Advantages of ICE:

- High-resolution real-time visualization of cardiac structures
- Early recognition of procedural complications (e.g. thrombus formation)
- Avoidance of general anaesthesia
- Reduction of radiation exposure

Personalized predictive modelling for pre-operative TAVI planning



Conclusions

- Multimodal cardiac imaging plays a central role in patient and device selection, before and during the VALVULAR heart disease interventions
- Familiarization with 2D- and 3D- imaging modalities (TTE, TEE, CTA, MRI, and ICE) is mandatory for Cardiologist
- New imaging modalities (Fusion-imaging, predictive modeling, etc.) greatly facilitates the planning and execution of interventions
- the cardiac imaging field is able to envision a future of excellence, quality, and innovation and has outlined concrete steps to realize this potential

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