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Role of 3D echocardiography in assessment of other congenital heart disease in adults

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Why 3DE makes the difference in ACHD?

Technique related

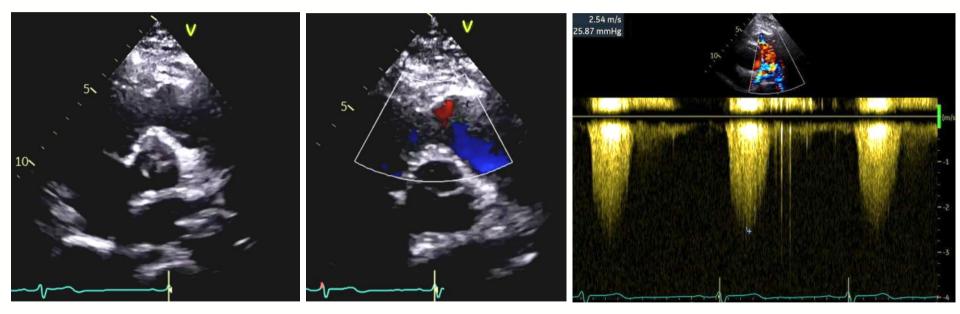
- Actual 3D acquisition and analysis from a single full-volume dataset
- Direct measurements, no calculations using geometric assumptions
- Anatomically accurate, en-face visualization of the valves/septae from both perspectives in the beating heart

Pathology related

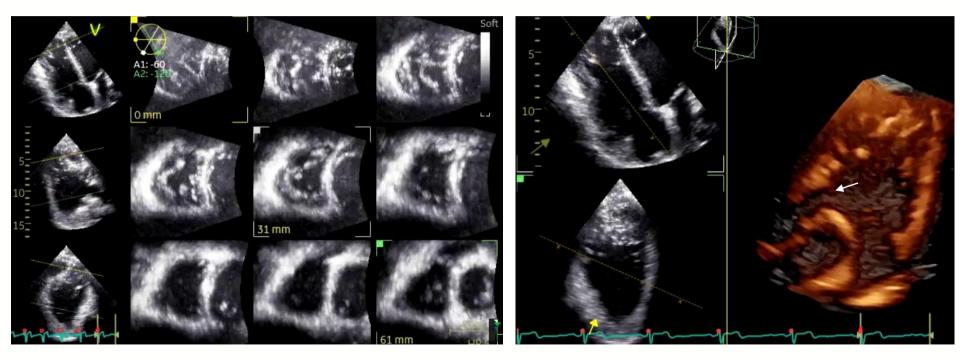
- RV is frequently the key player accurate assessment is essential
- Complex lesions clear understanding of morphology is important
 - Patients are generally younger with better acoustic window

Ventricles

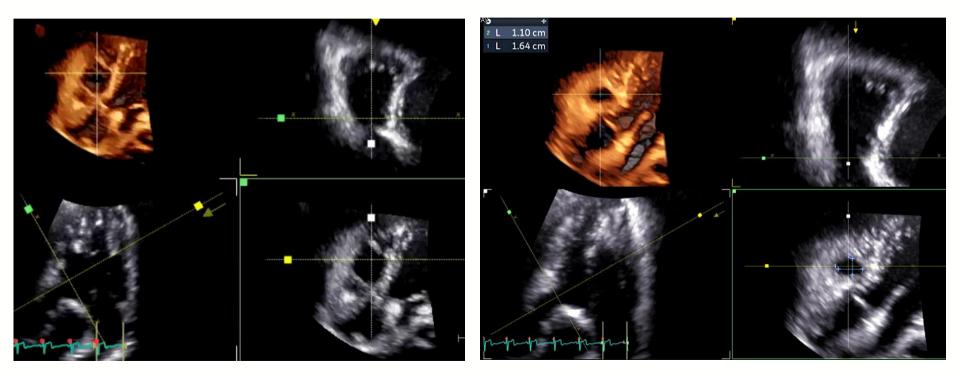
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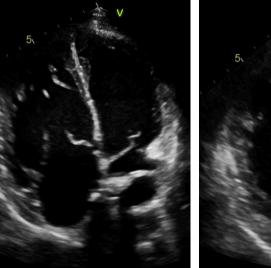


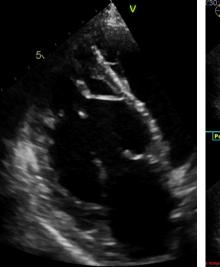
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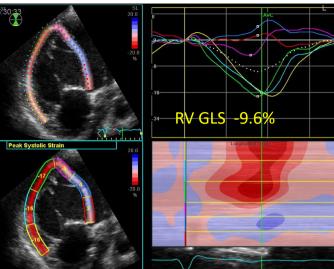


Case 2: Systemic RV systolic function

- 30 years female
- ht 172cm, wt 59kg
- TGA + Mustard
- Severely dilated SRV
- Severely reduced
 SRV systolic function

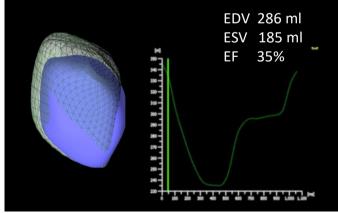


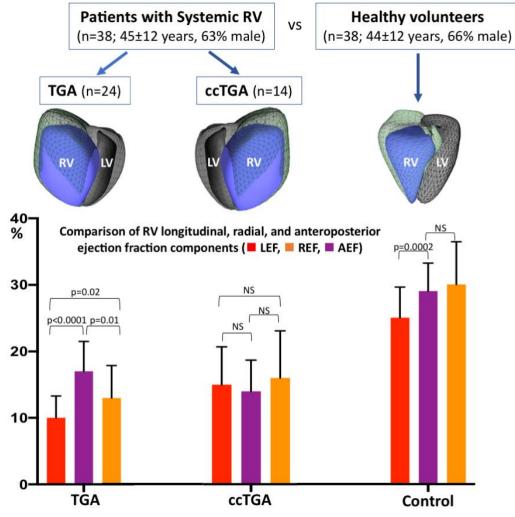




- SRV FAC 8%
- TAPSE 14mm
- RV GLS -9.6%
- 3DE EF 35%

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Schematic representation of three major components of total RV pump function (ReVISION analysis of 3DE datasets)

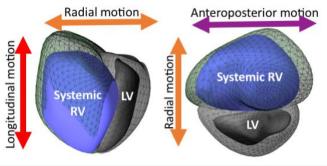
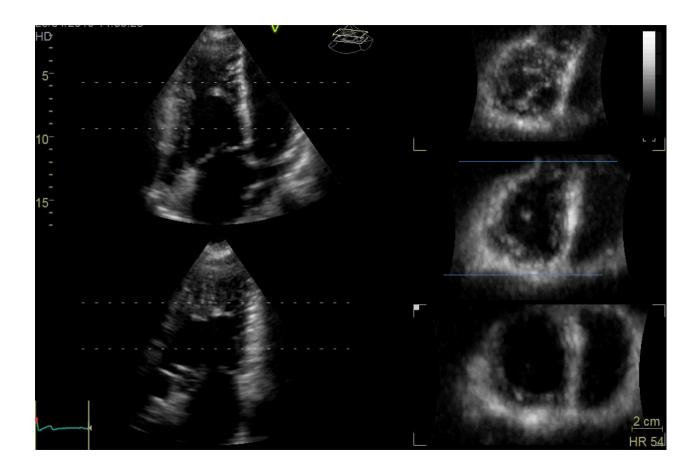


Table 3Correlation of echocardiographic parametersof a systemic RV size and systolic function with BNPlevel

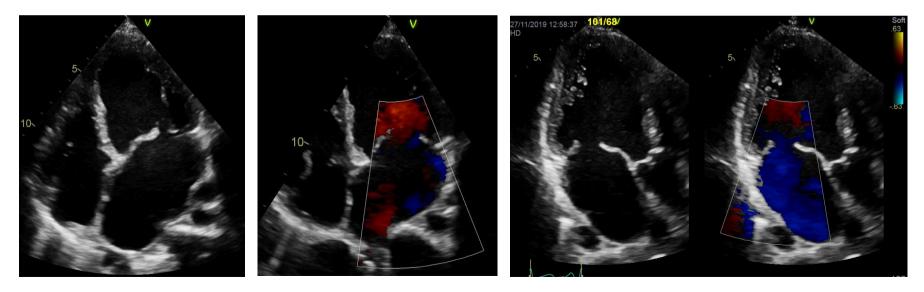
| Parameter | Spearman correlation coefficient, rho | P -value |
|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------|
| 3D EF, % | -0.73 | <0.0001 |
| RV 4-chamber LS, % | 0.70 | < 0.0001 |
| RV free wall LS, % | 0.63 | 0.0002 |
| 3D ESVi, mL/m ² | 0.60 | 0.0003 |
| FAC, % | -0.54 | 0.002 |
| 3D EDVi, mL/m ² | 0.52 | 0.003 |
| S', cm/s | -0.37 | 0.038 |
| Basal diameter, cm | 0.33 | 0.070 |
| ESAi, cm ² /m ² | 0.28 | NS |
| EDAi, cm ² /m ² | 0.28 | NS |
| Mid diameter, cm | 0.12 | NS |
| TAPSE, mm | -0.09 | NS |



Valves

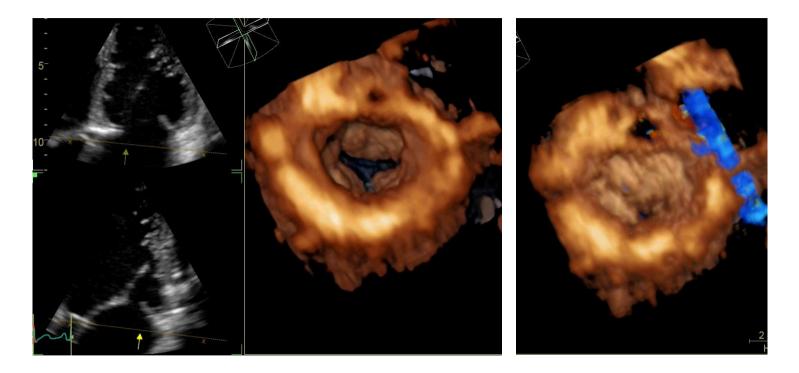
Valves

- 25-year-old female patient
- **Case 3** History of ALCAPA and Takeuchi repair
 - Mainly asymptomatic, slight dyspnoea while climbing 3 flights of stairs



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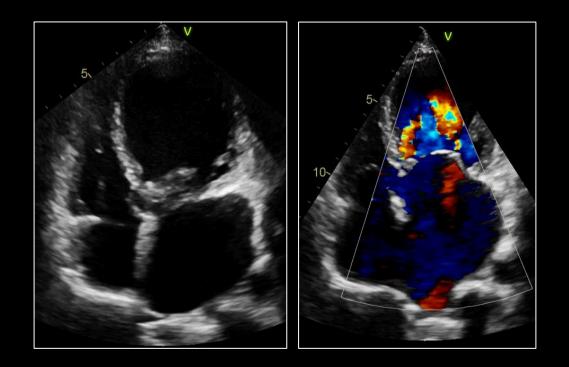
Case 3: Severe MR in a patient post ALCAPA repair



Cleft of posterior MV leaflet and severe organic MR

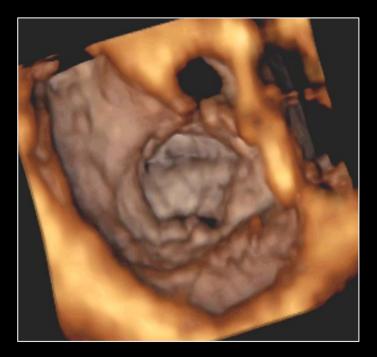
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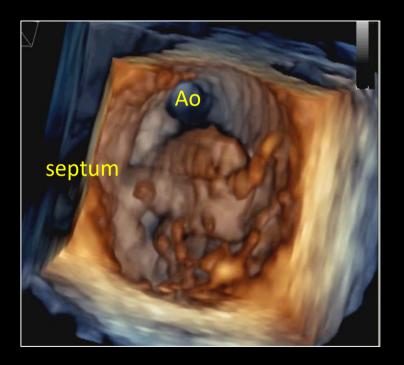
Case 4

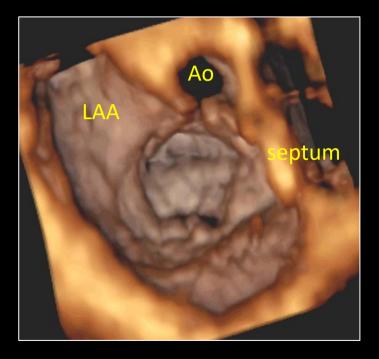


A patient with AVSD and left AVV repair, severe left AVV regurgitation and AF





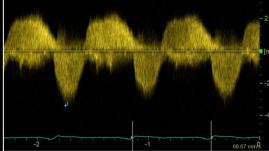




Double orifice left AVV, prolapse of anterior leaflet of anterior orifice and small flail of posterior leaflet; cleft closed

Case 5: assessment of prosthetic valves

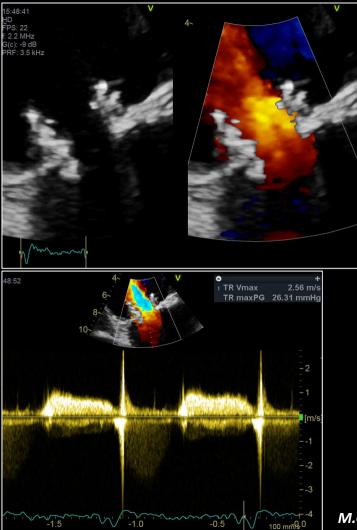




- 14-year-old with Ebstein's anomaly
- Previous TVR and PVR: Carpentier-Edwards Perimount valves
- Severe TR, PR and RV failure

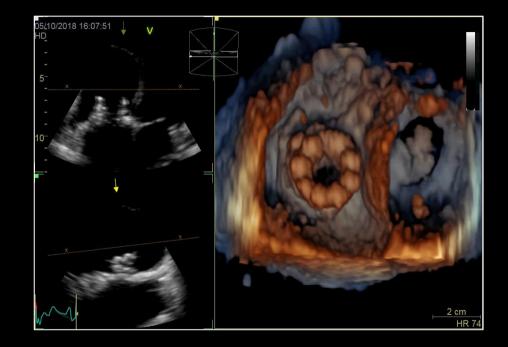


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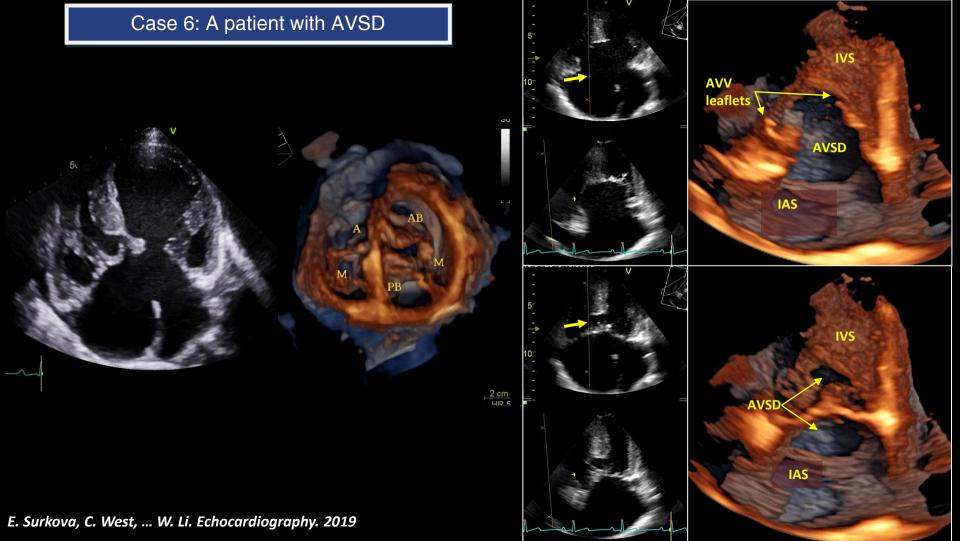
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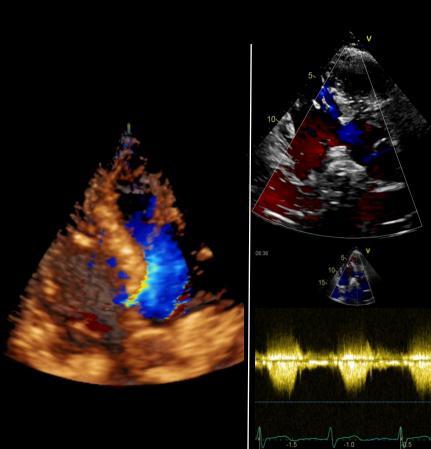
Septae



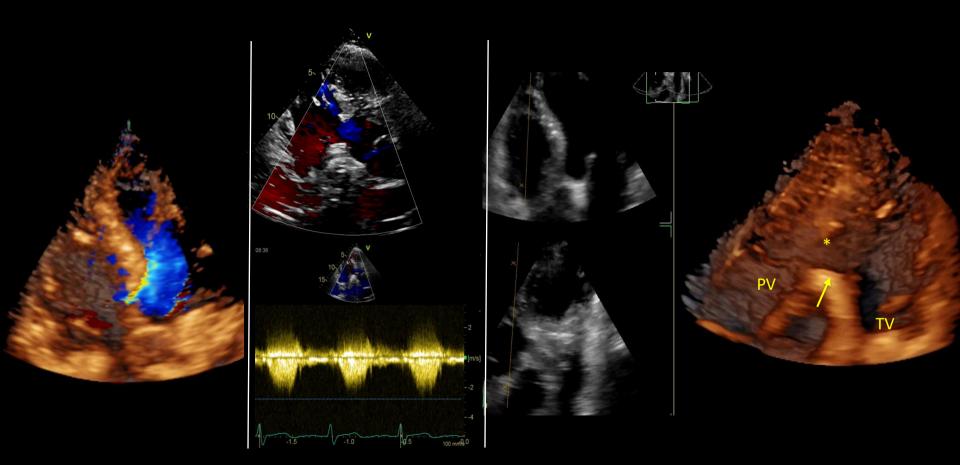
Case 7: a patient with VSD

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How to acquire the 3DE data sets according to specific clinical needs in ACHD

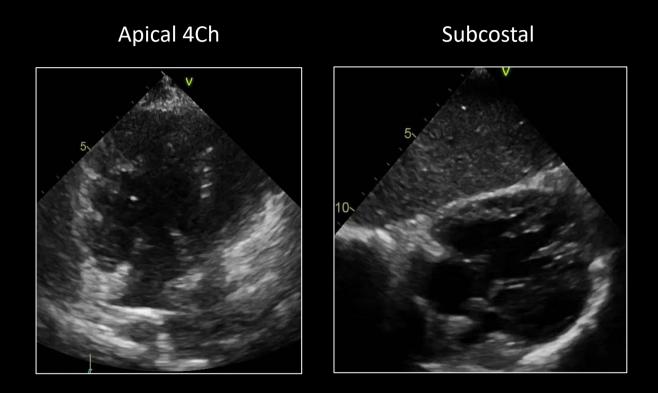
Check list in 3DE data acquisition



- Clear visualization of the structure of interest in 2D
- Adjust sector depth, width, and gain settings
- Include relevant adjacent structures
- Temporal resolution vs Spatial resolution; think of what is more important
- Check the ECG for upright R waves
- Use 3D color and 3D zoom when needed
- Remember, you still can get good 3DE data set even if your patient is in AF or not cooperating

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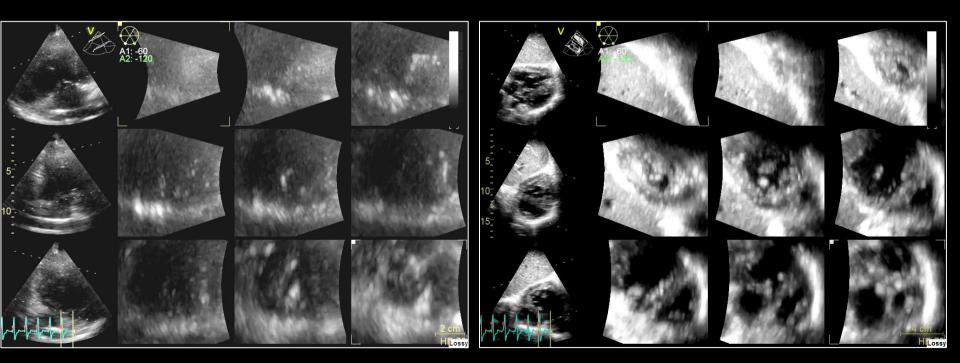


Fontan patient with dominant RV and hypoplastic LV

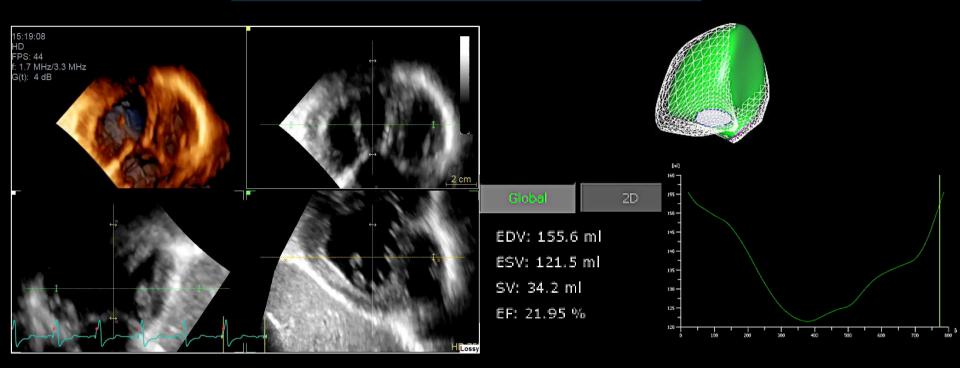
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Apical 4Ch

Subcostal



Full volume data set from subcostal view



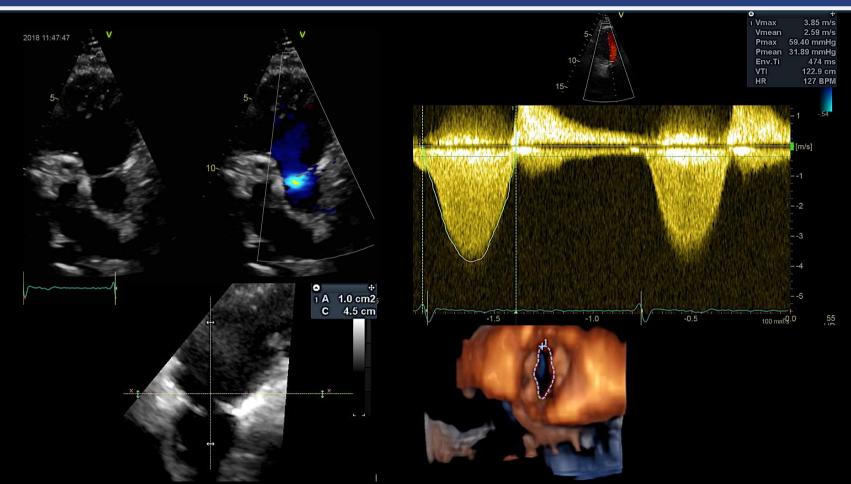
A study in paediatric patients with CHD has demonstrated that neither echo view had a consistently larger error in estimated of RV volumes when compared to CMR.

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Few more things to remember

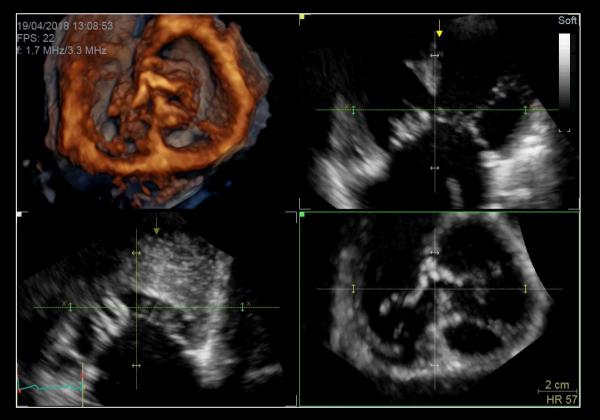
- Include relevant adjacent structures it will help in postprocessing
- True defect vs drop-out artefact 3D Color will help
- What if I am using multi-beat acquisition? tricks to avoid stitching artefacts

If your patient in AF or not able to cooperate: 1. Use 3D zoom or narrow sector and single beat acquisition



If your patient in AF or not able to cooperate:

2. Use retrospective multi-beat acquisition, reduce number of beats to 3-4 and ... and be patient



A patient with AVSD, common AVV and Trisomy 21

Strengths and limitations of 3DE in ACHD

| Major advantages | The only echo technique allowing to assess RV volumes and EF No geometric assumptions about ventricular shape and contraction pattern Anatomically accurate, en-face visualization of the valves / septae from any perspective in the beating heart Facilitate assessment of complex lesions Additive prognostic value in congenital heart diseases |
|-------------------|--|
| Major limitations | Need of stable cardiac rhythm and patients' cooperation Requires good image quality |
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