

# ***Basic views of Trans-oesophageal Echocardiography***

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# ***Objectives***

➤ ***Advantages***

➤ ***indications.***

➤ ***Contraindications.***

➤ ***Complications***

➤ ***Probe movement.***

***TEE views & anatomical correlation.***

**❑ *Transesophageal echocardiography uses all the same technology as transthoracic imaging. 2D-echo , colour & spectral Doppler can all be performed as well as TDI & 3D reconstructions.***

# ADVANTAGES

- ✓ LUNGS AND RIBS DON'T INTERFERE  
ONLY ESOPHAGEAL WALL AND PERICARDIUM  
IN BETWEEN
- ✓ WONT DISRUPT SURGERY
- ✓ TRANS THORACIC IS DIFFICULT IN:  
OBESITY/EMPHYSEMA/ABNORMAL CHEST WALL

# ***Absolute contraindications***

- ✓ **Oesophageal tumors causing obstruction of the lumen.**
- ✓ **Oesophageal strictures.**
- ✓ **Oesophageal diverticula.**
- ✓ **Patient not co-operative.**

# Complications

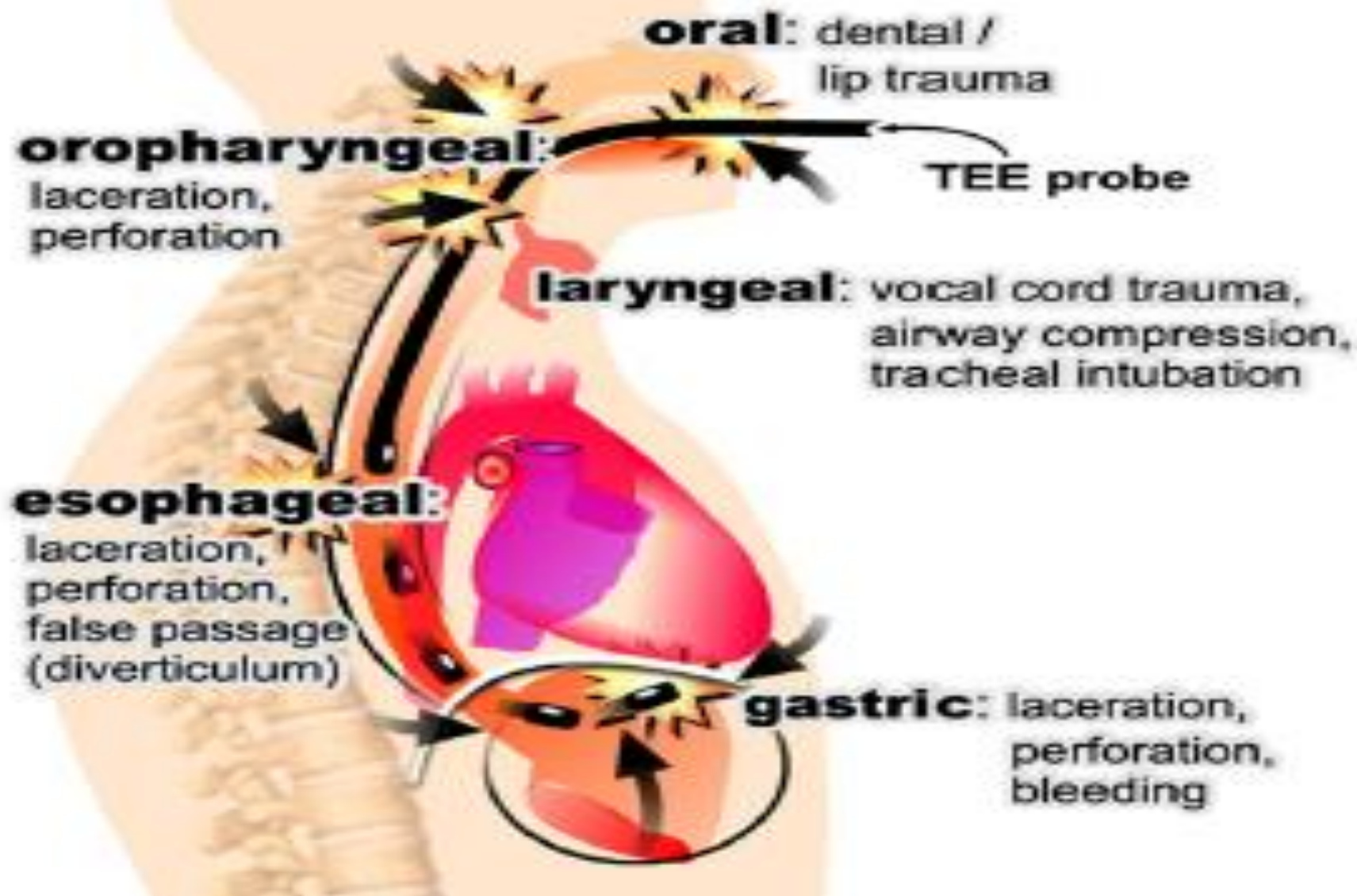
A study of complications in around 10,000 patients showed a very low incidence.

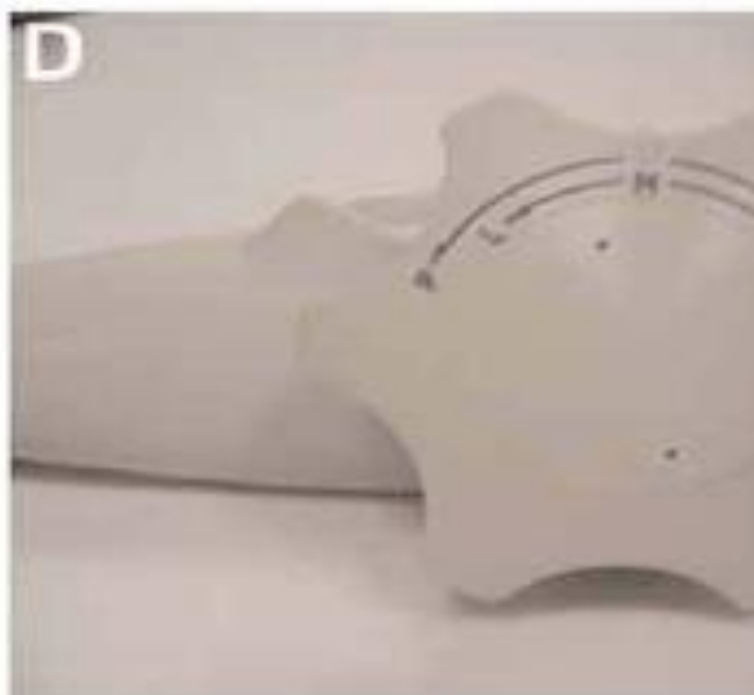
Failed intubation occurred in around 2%.

All other complications had an incidence of less than 1% .

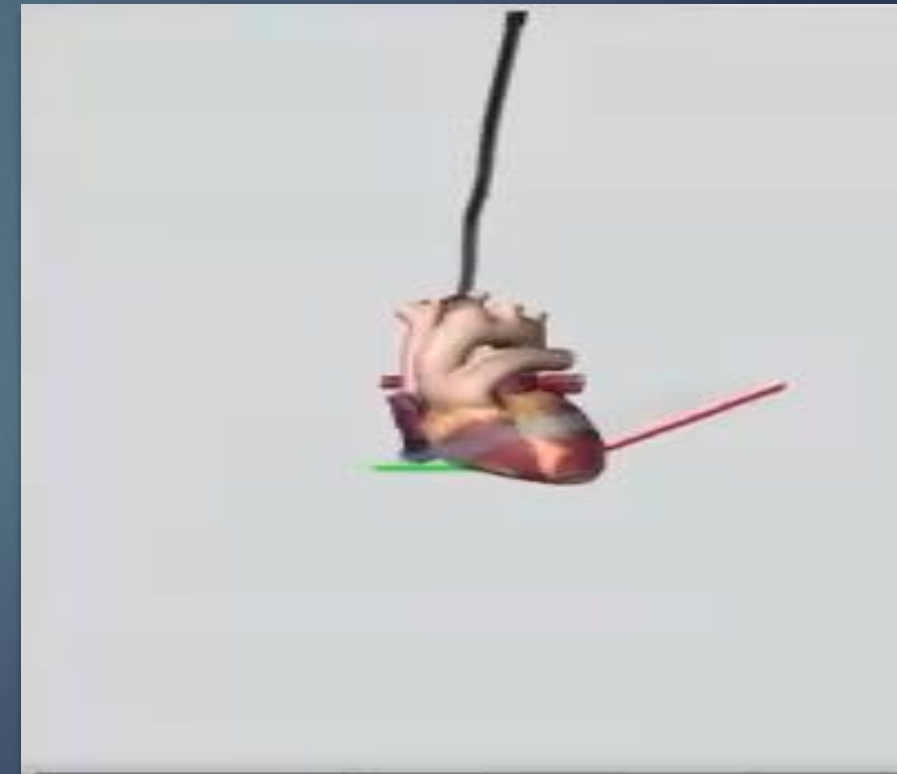
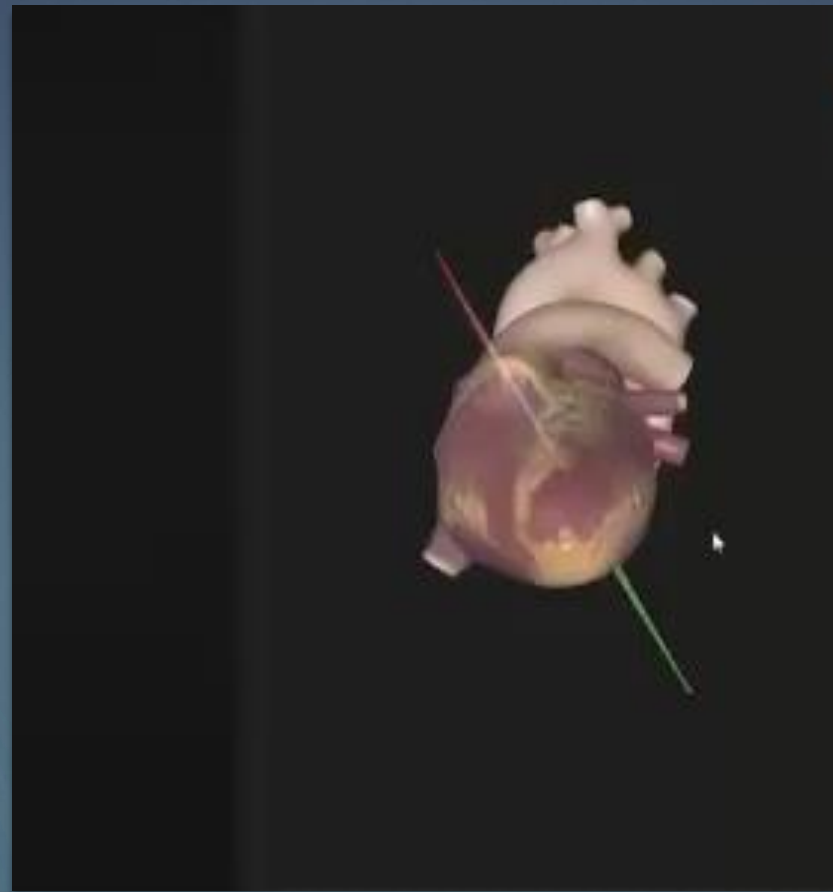
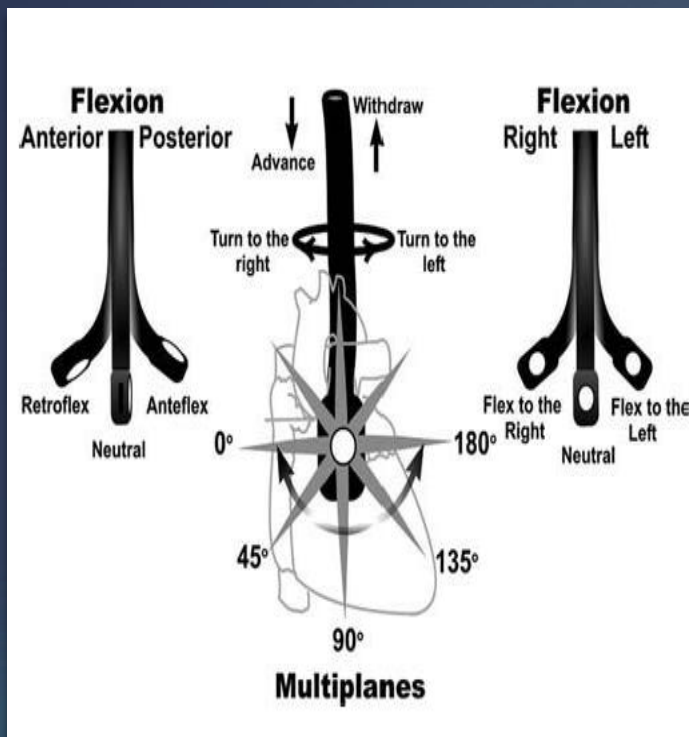


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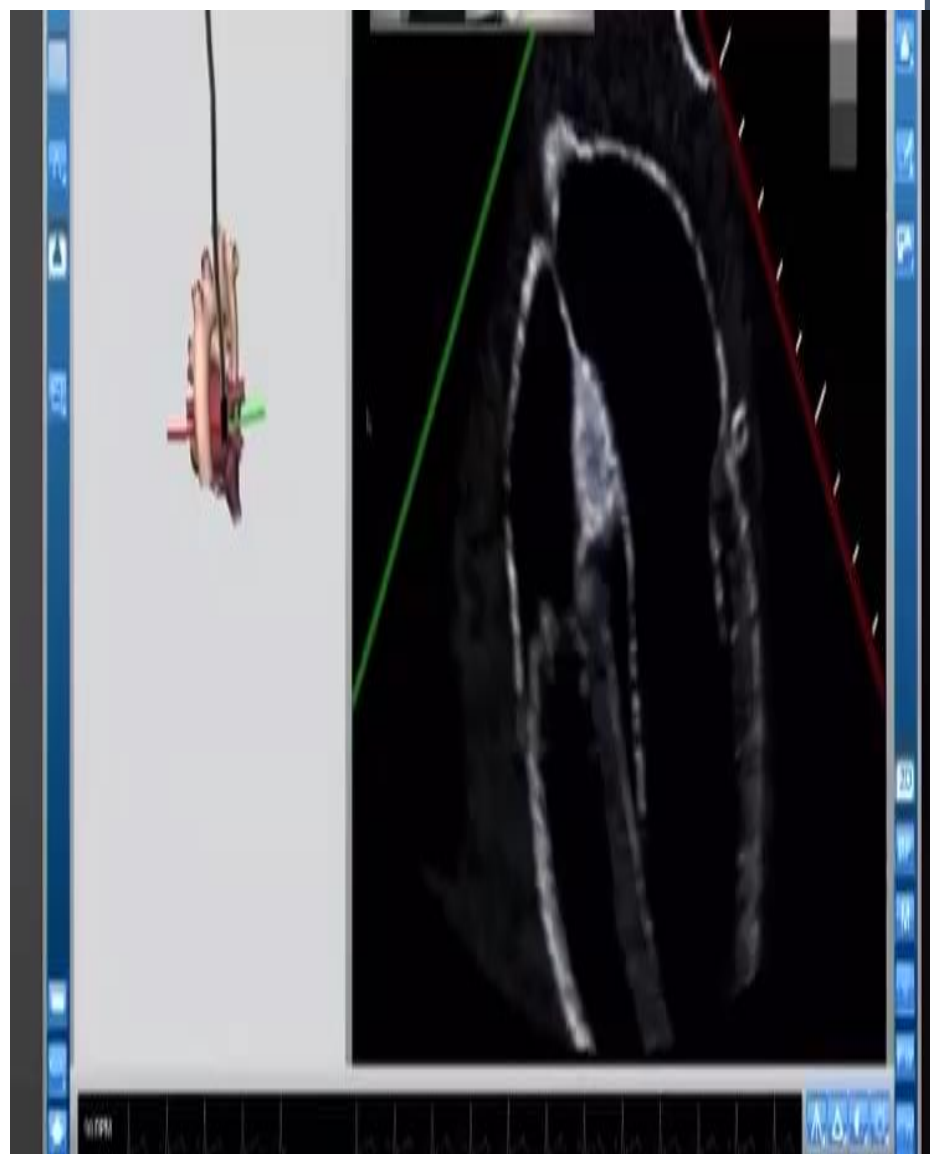
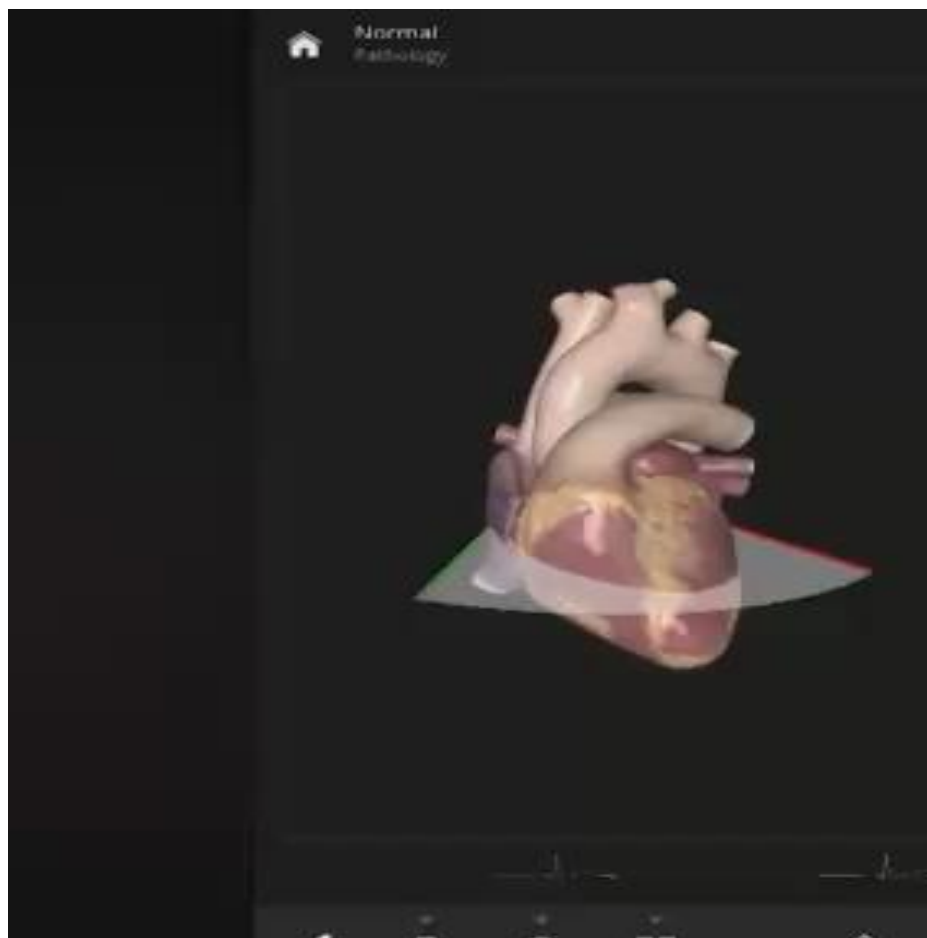








**Mechanical movements of  
the TEE probe.**

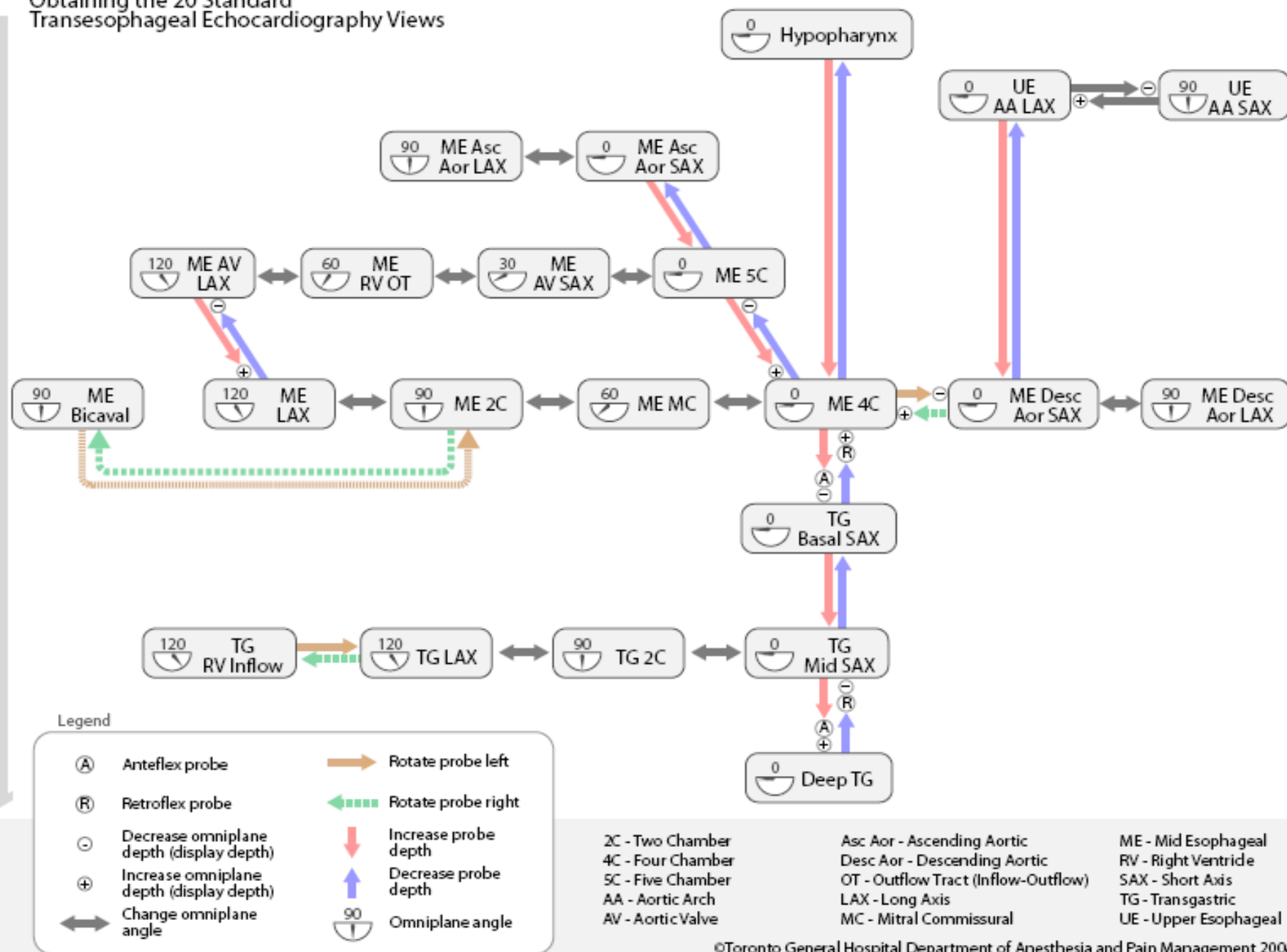


# ***TEE VIEWS***



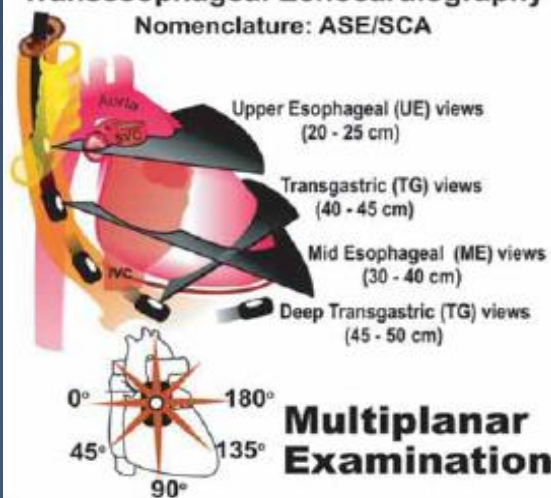
## Obtaining the 20 Standard Transesophageal Echocardiography Views

Probe Depth



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## Transesophageal Echocardiography Nomenclature: ASE/SCA



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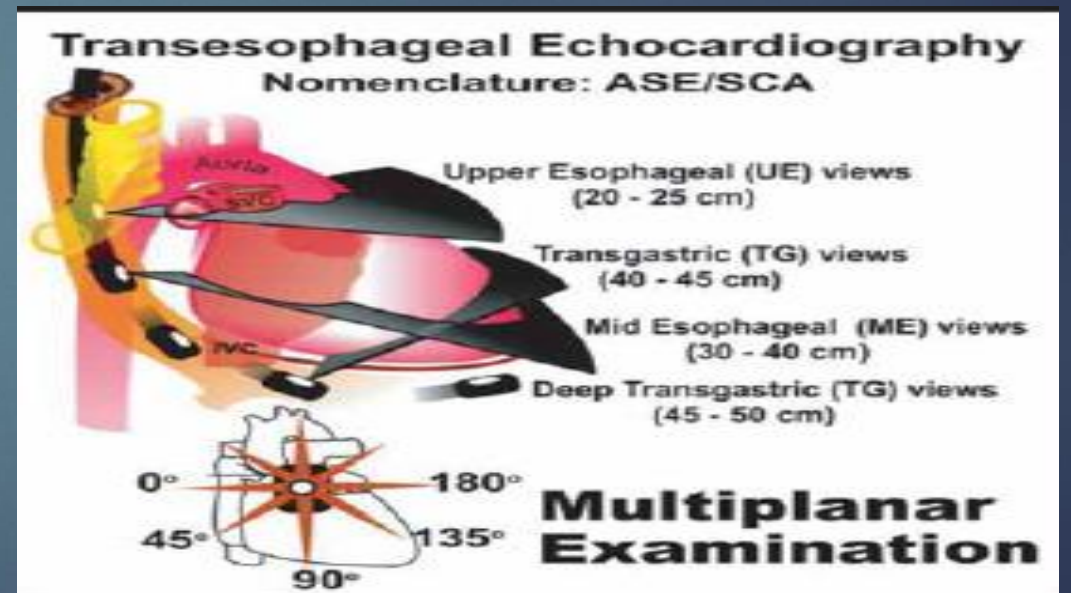
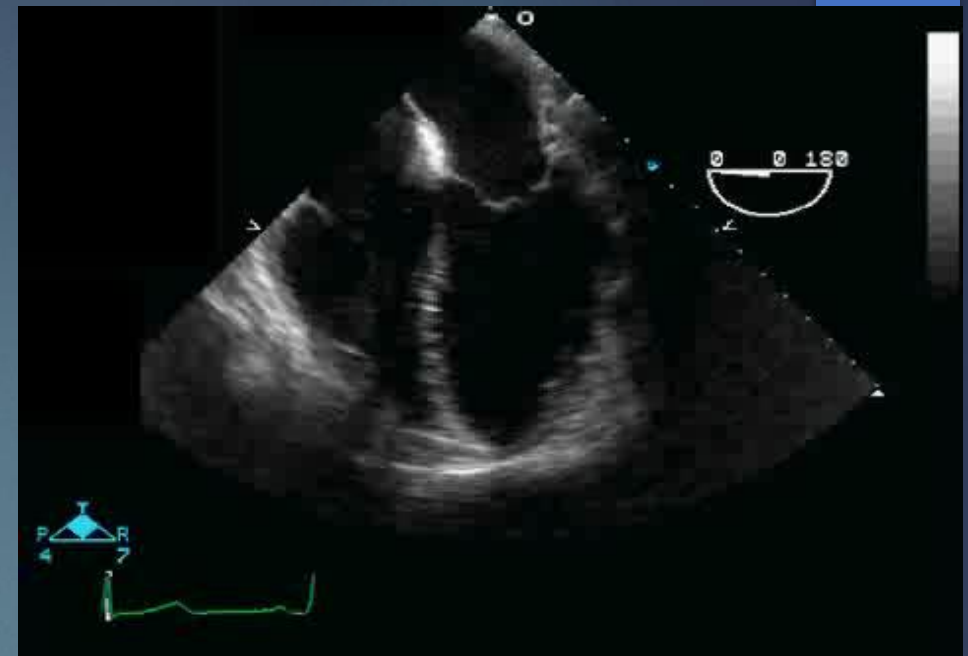
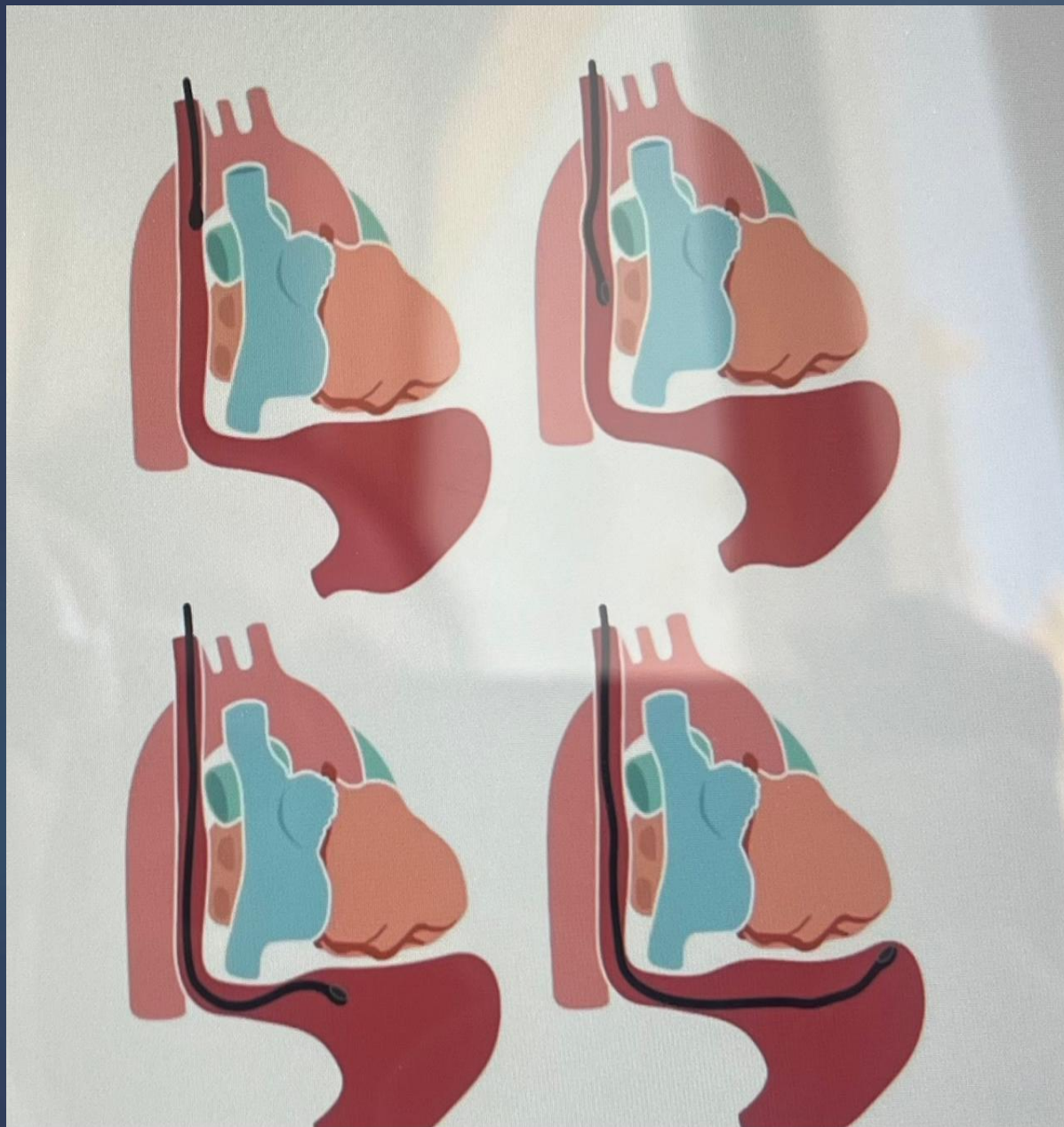
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# ***TEE examination order***



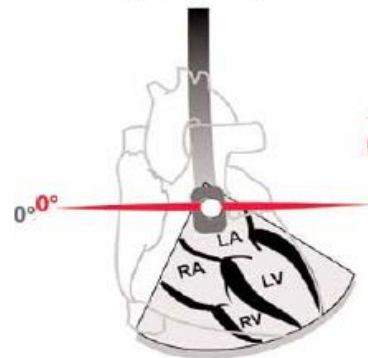




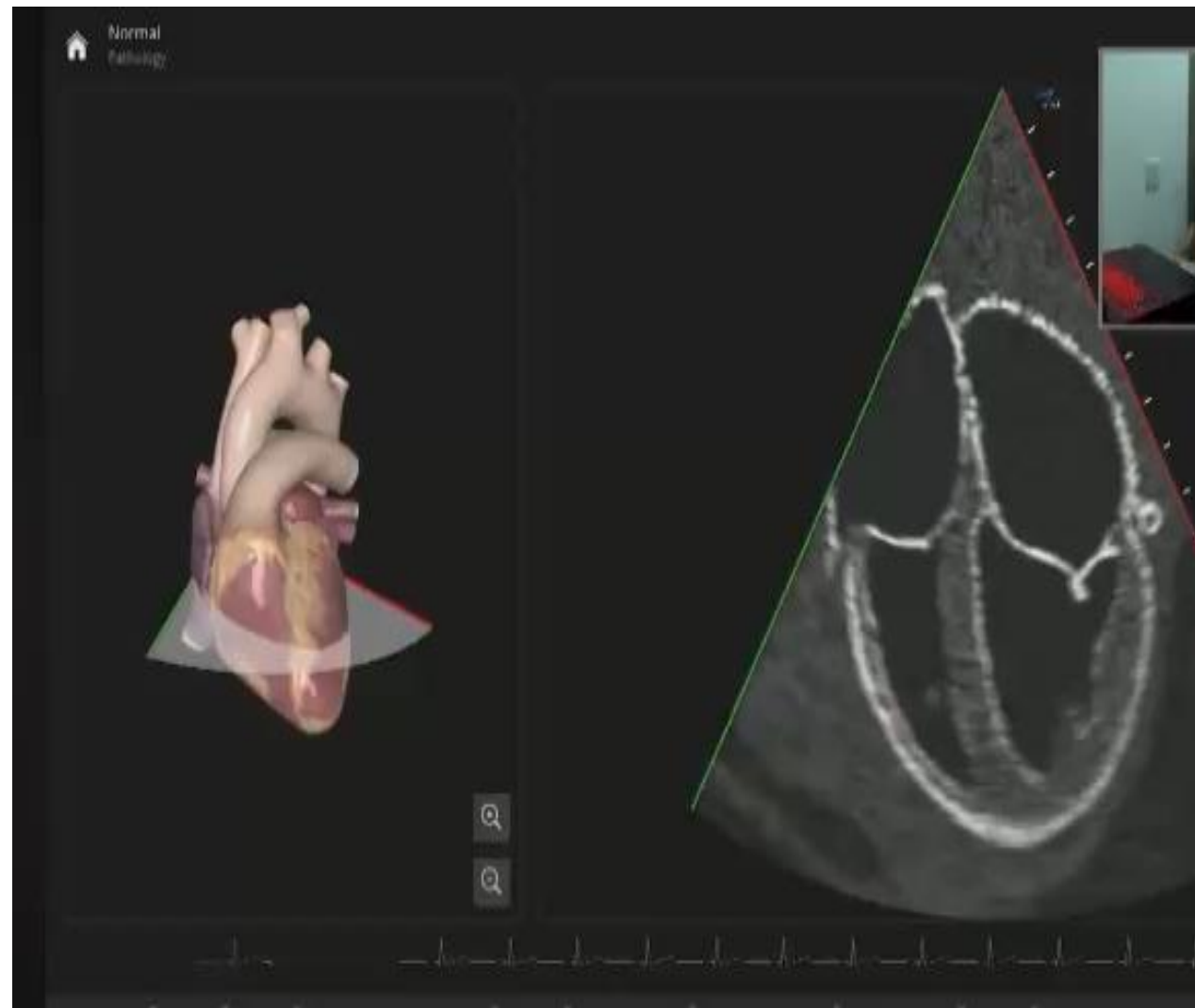
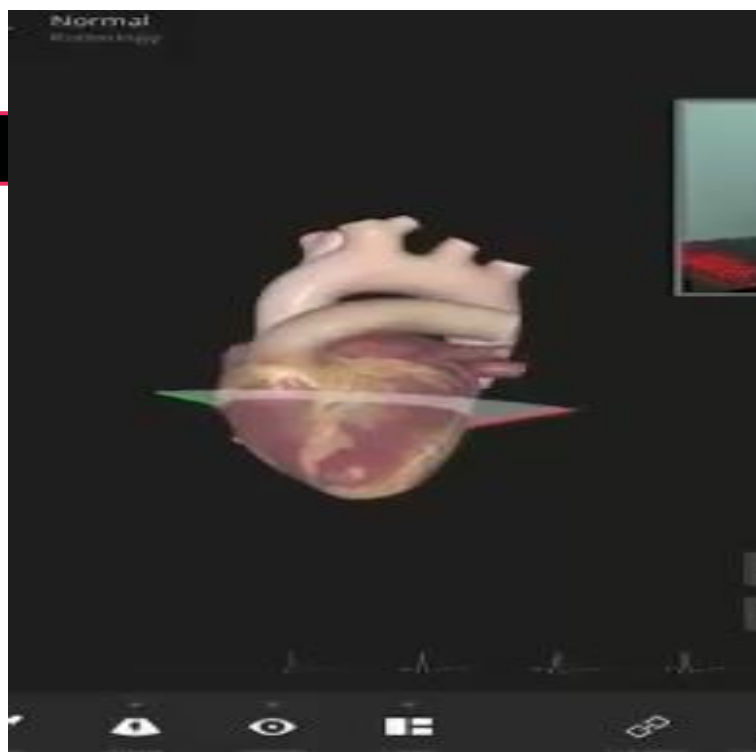
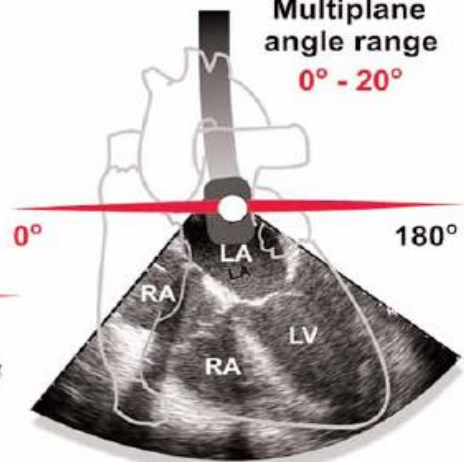
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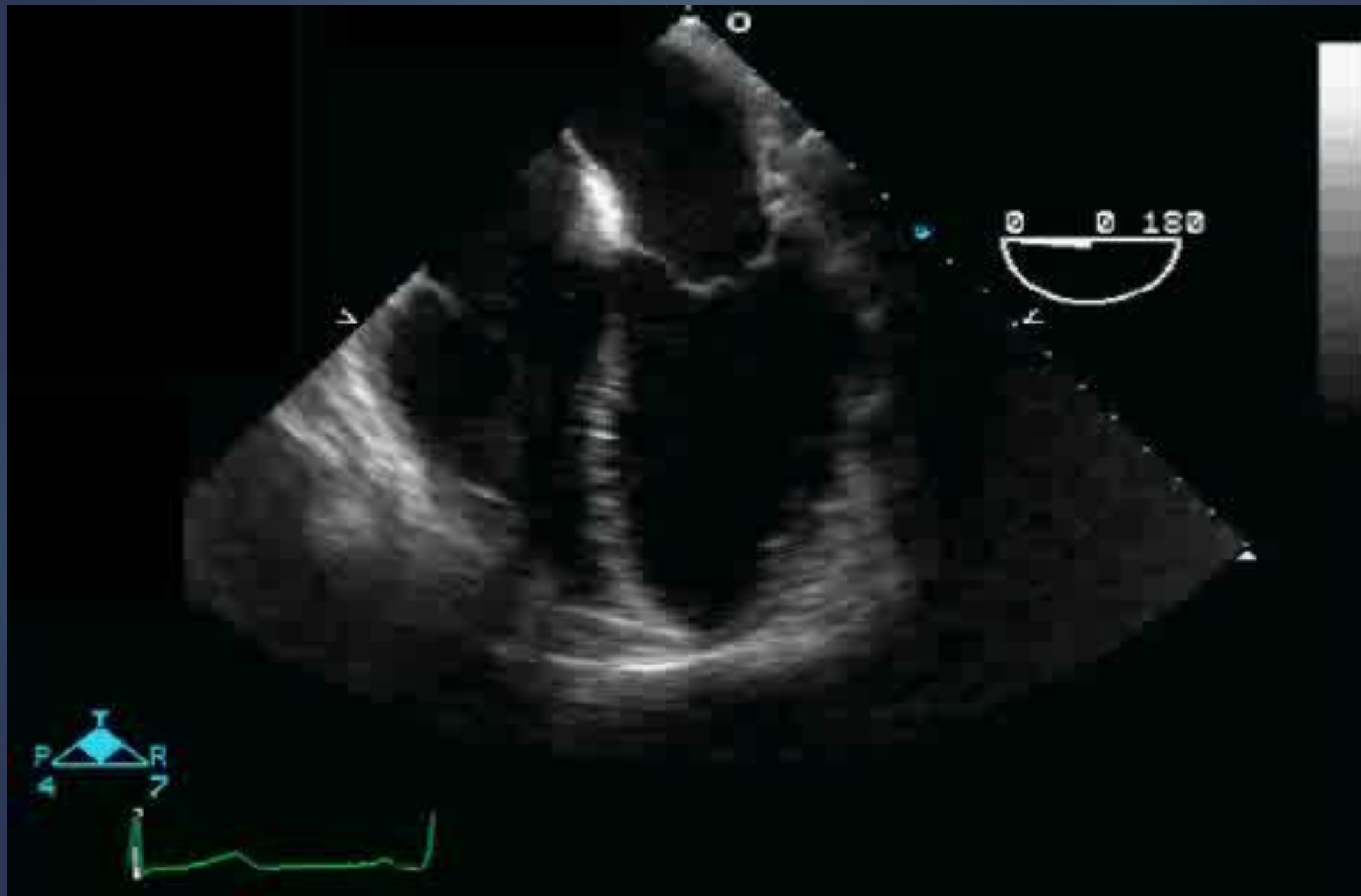


Mid esophageal  
four-chamber  
(30 - 40cm)

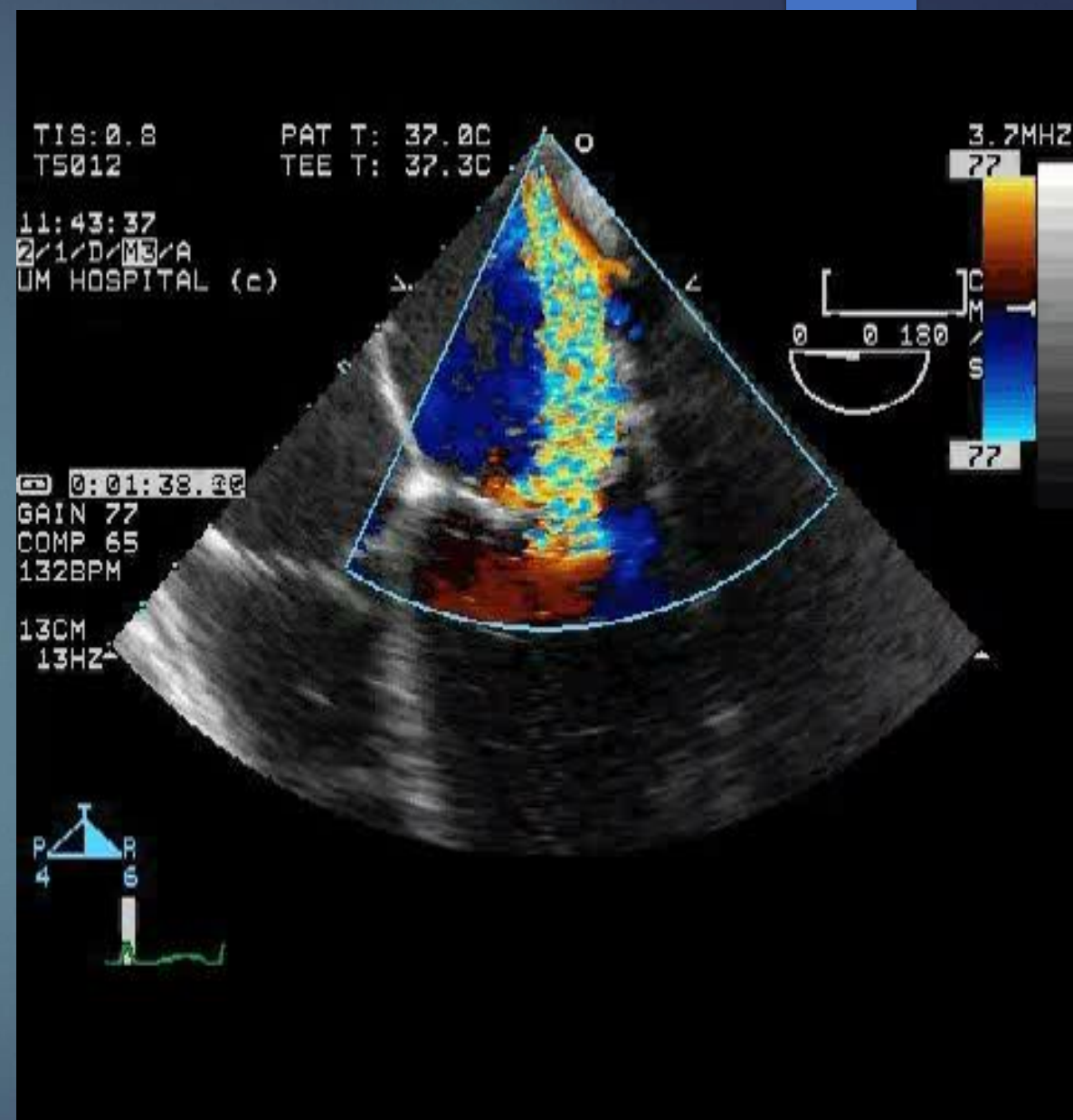
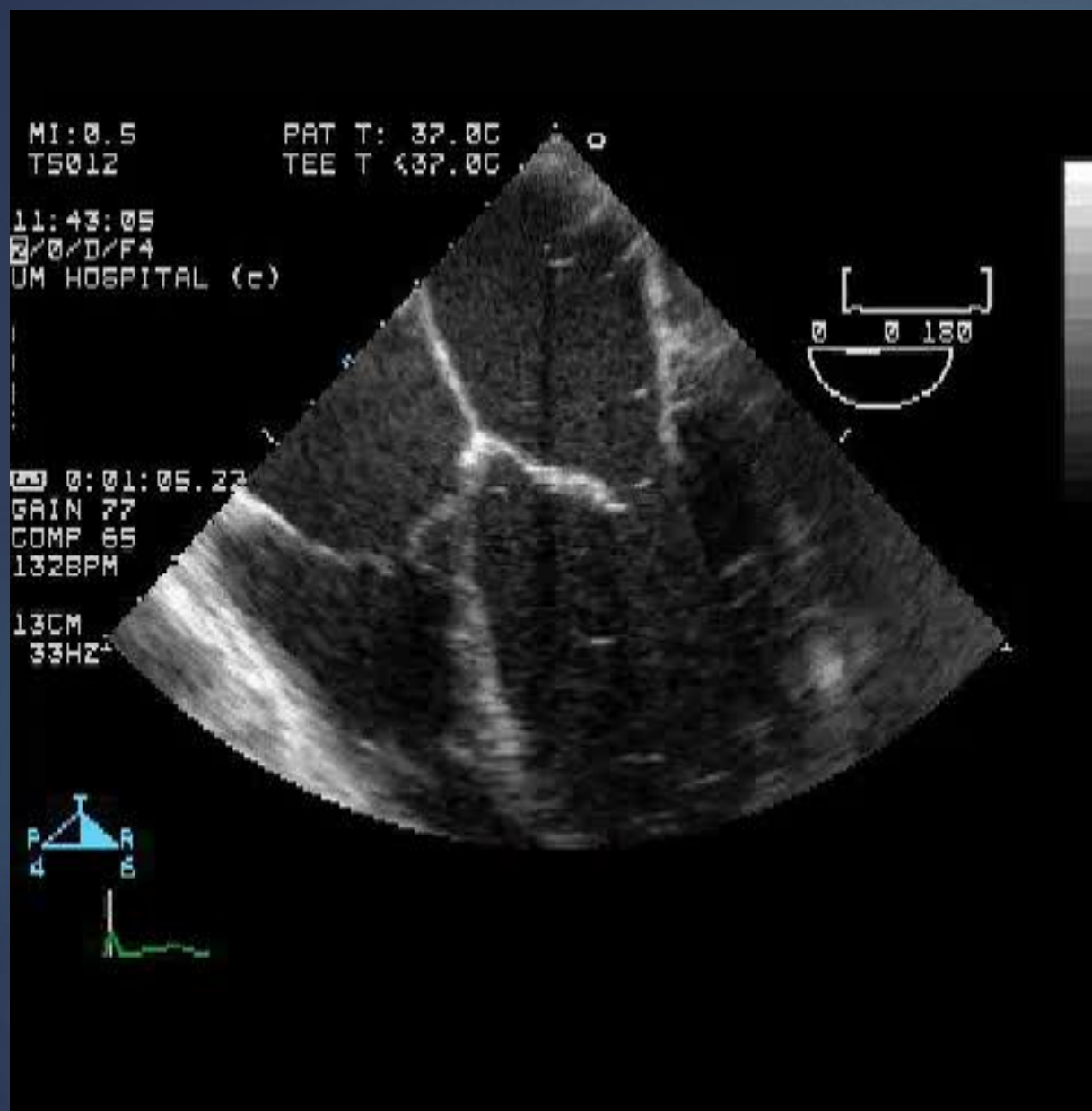


Multiplane  
angle range  
0° - 20°





**Septal and  
lateral**



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TEE

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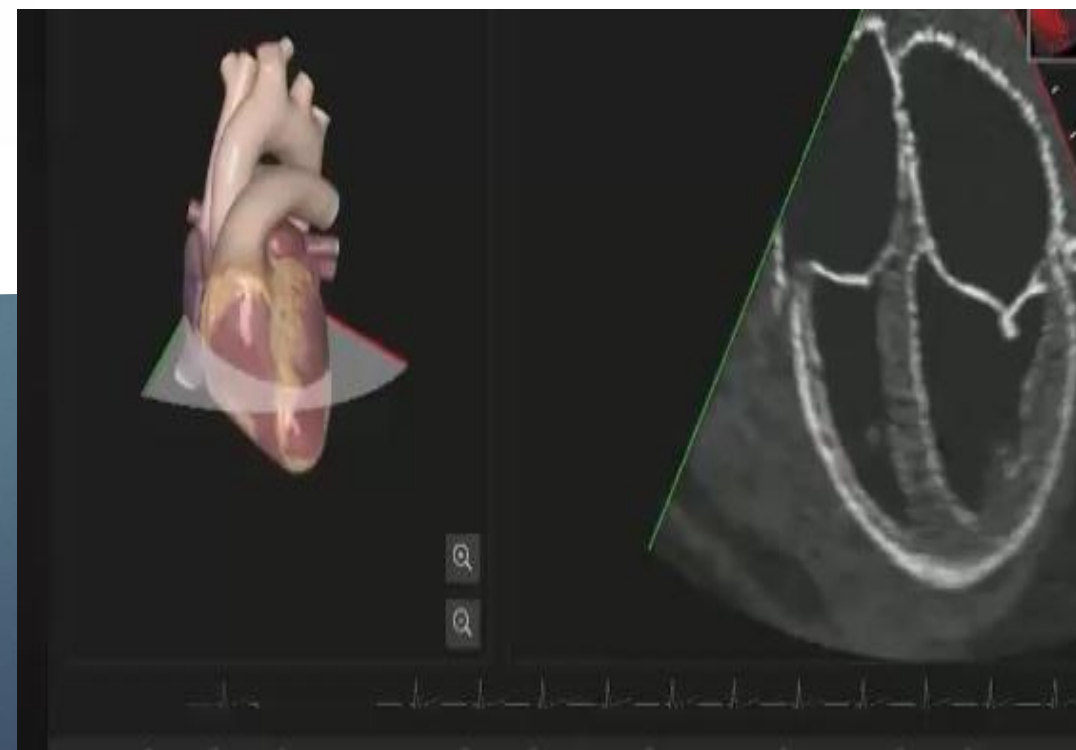
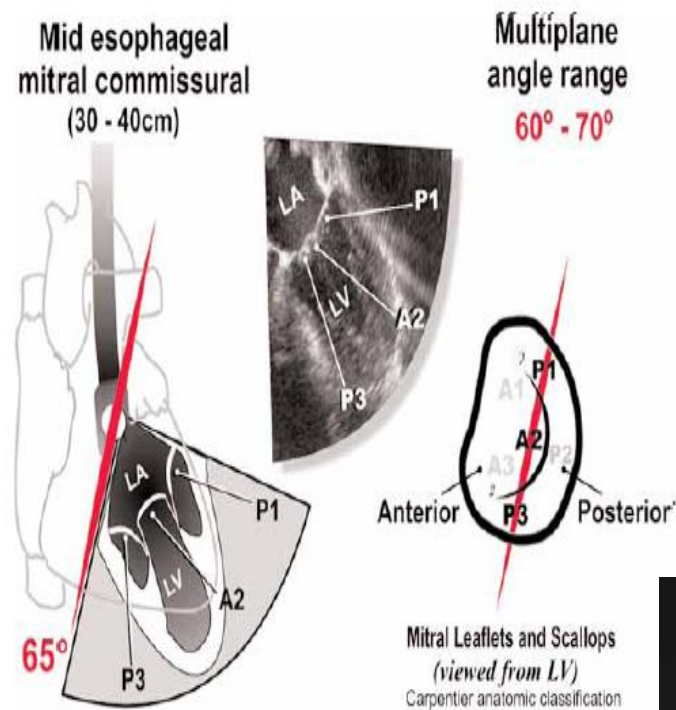
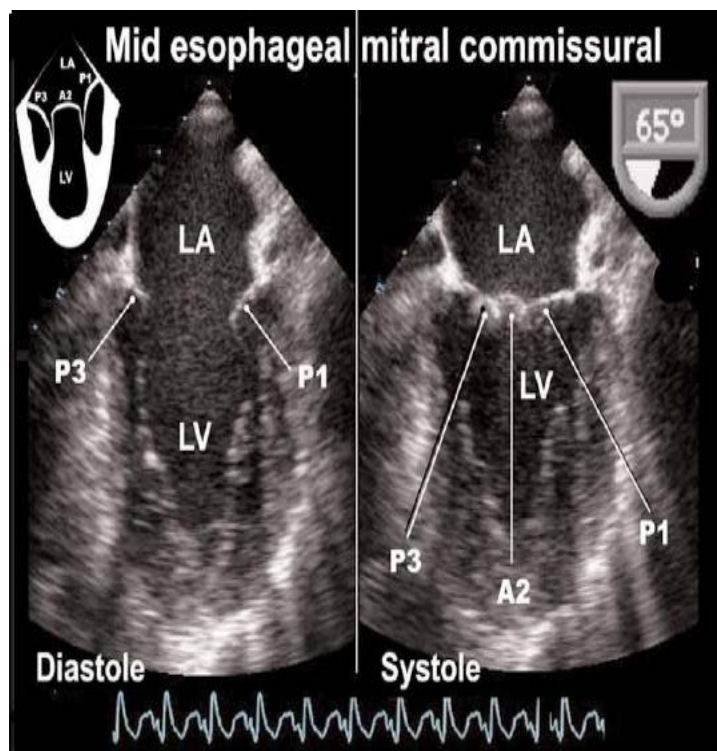
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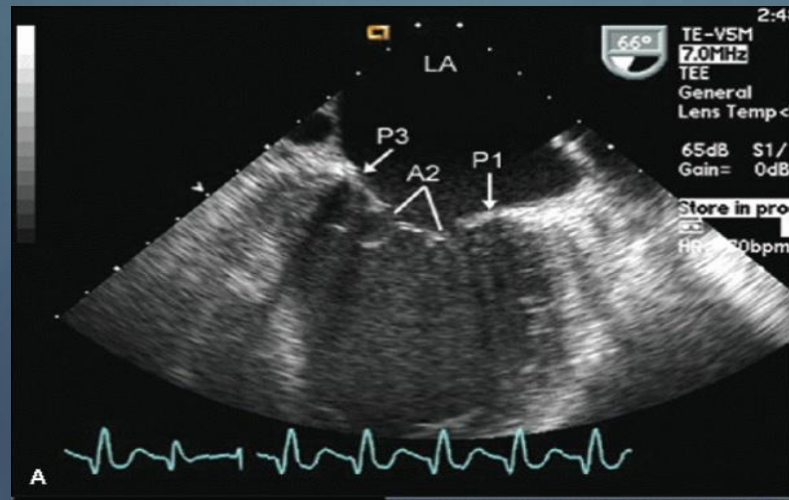
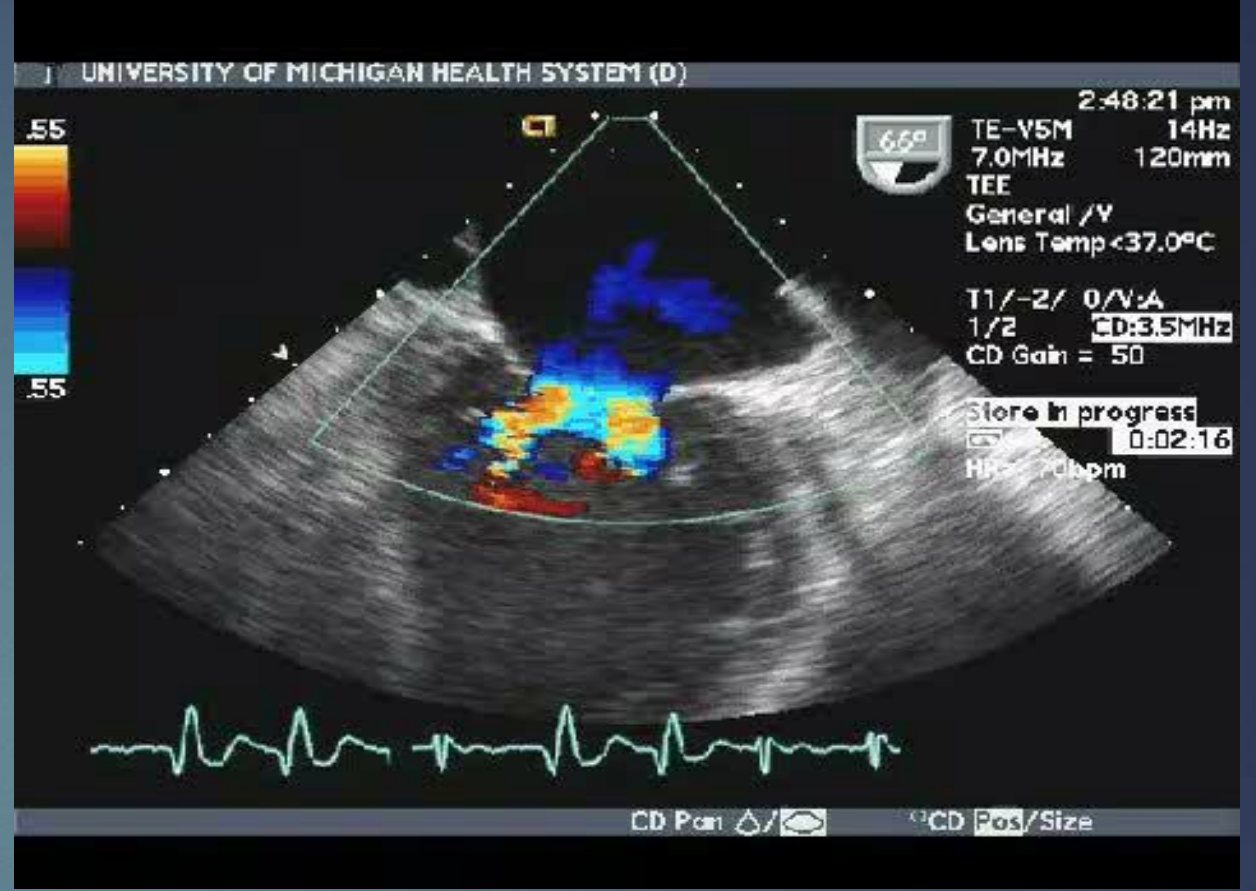
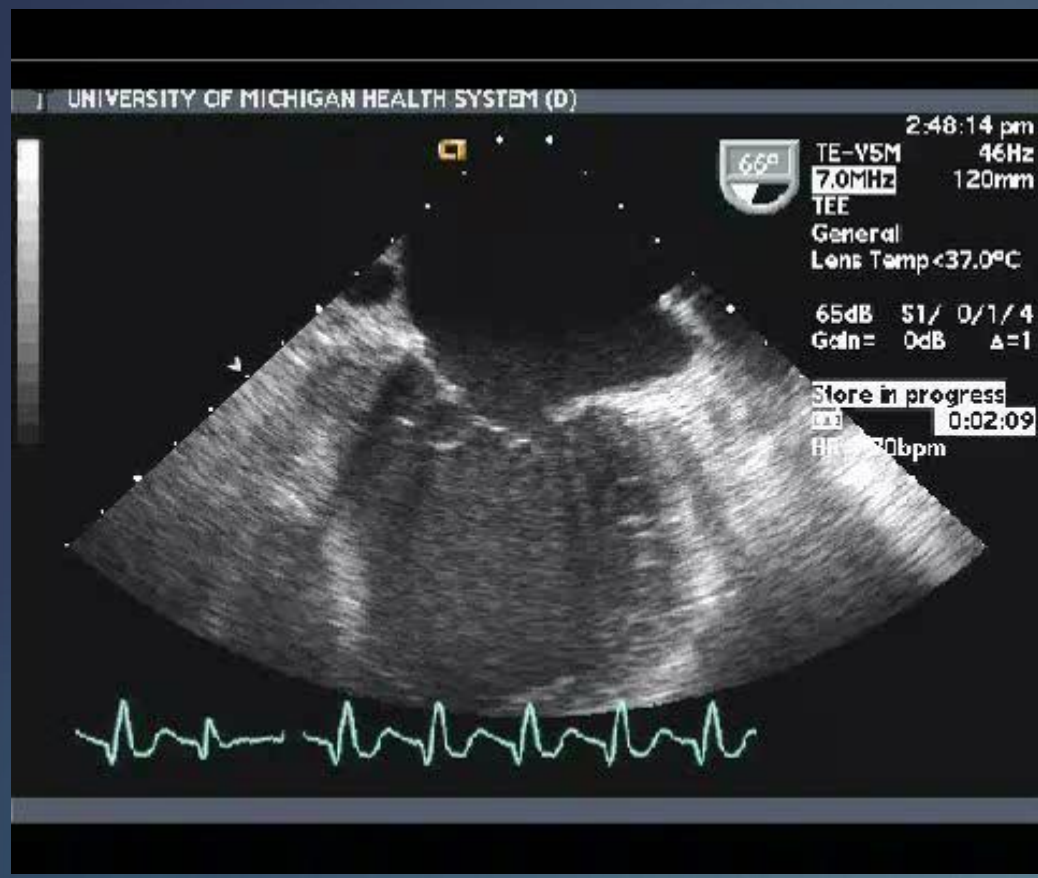
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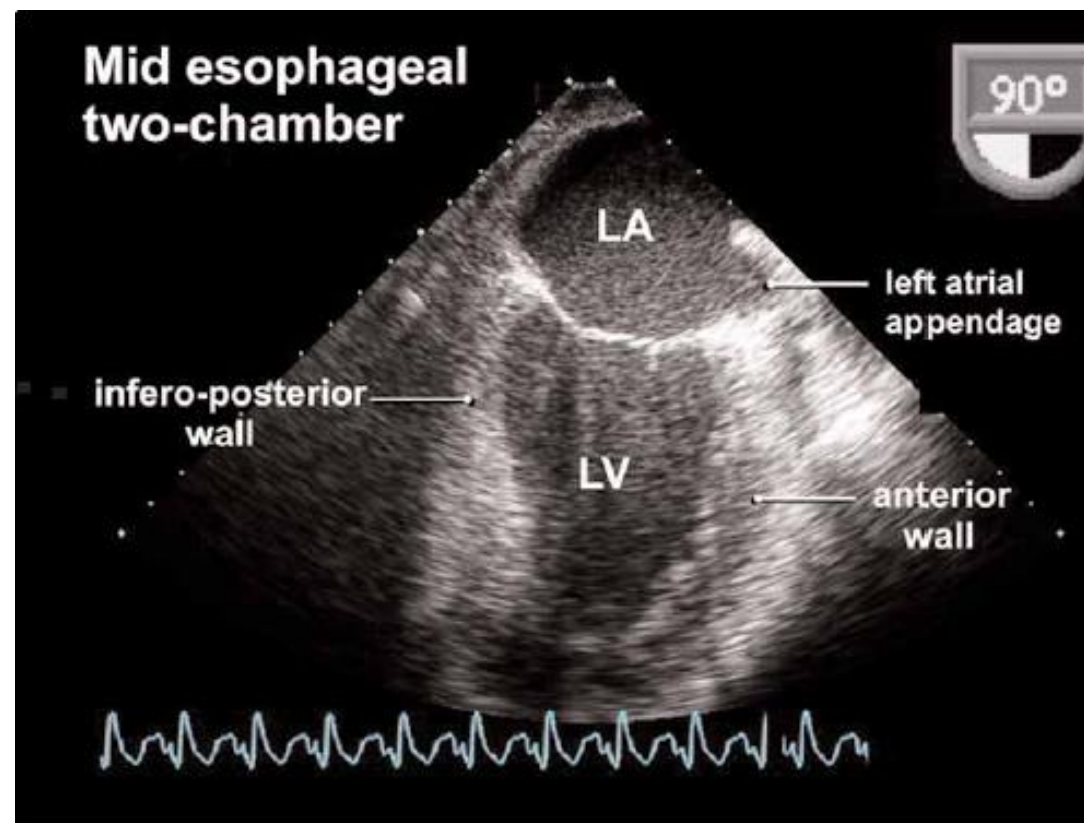
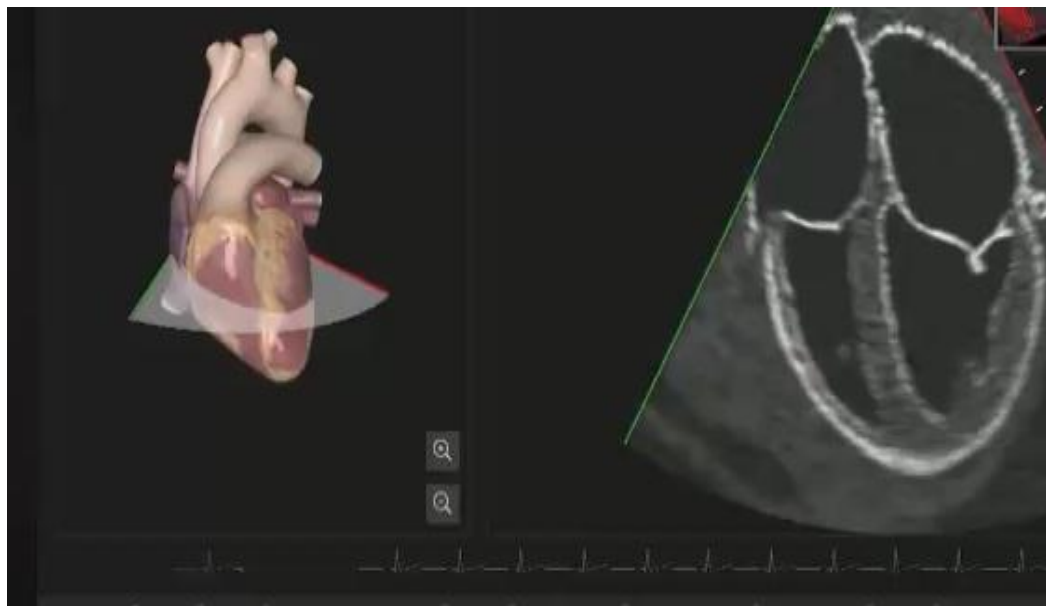




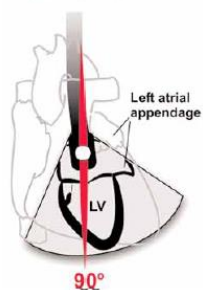
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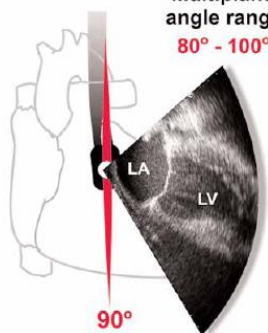




Mid esophageal  
two chamber  
(30 - 40cm)



Multiplane  
angle range,  
80° - 100°



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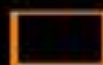
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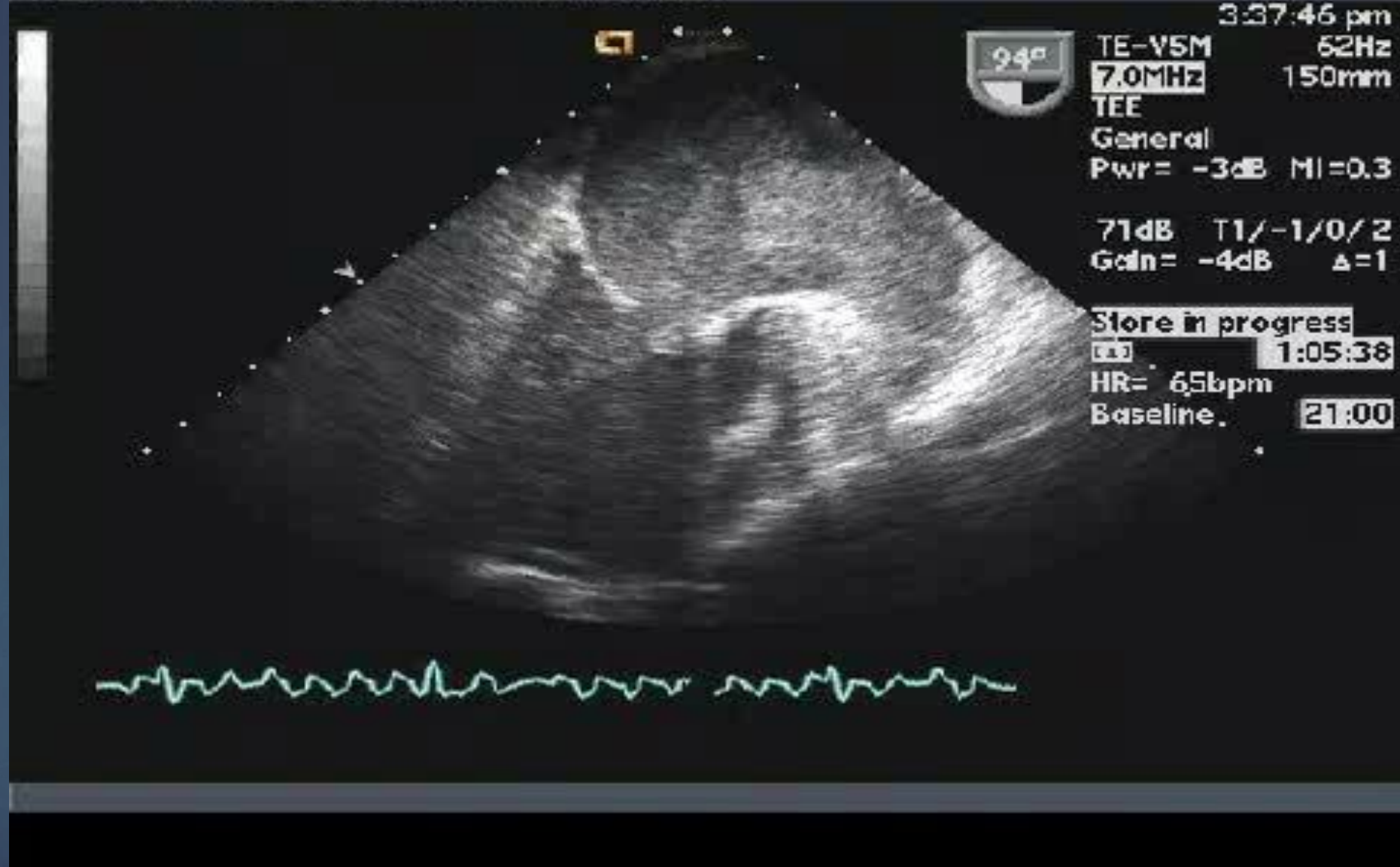
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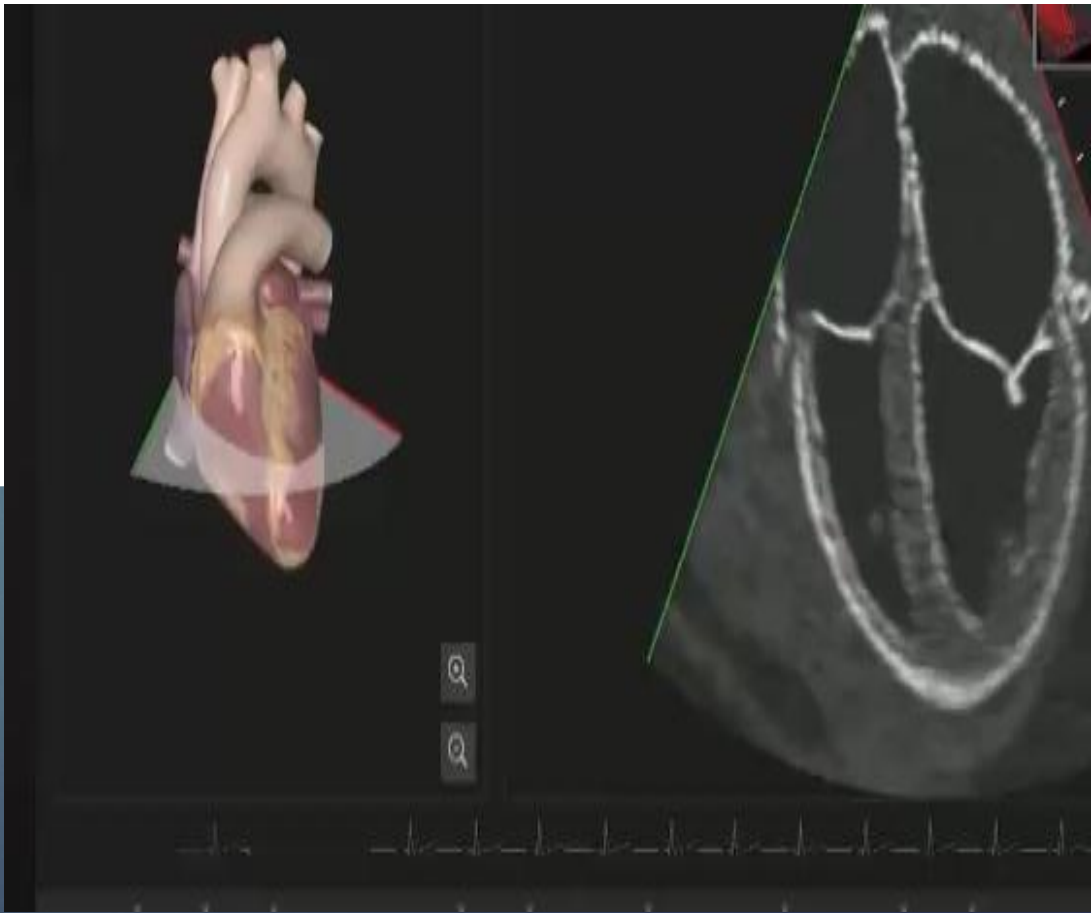
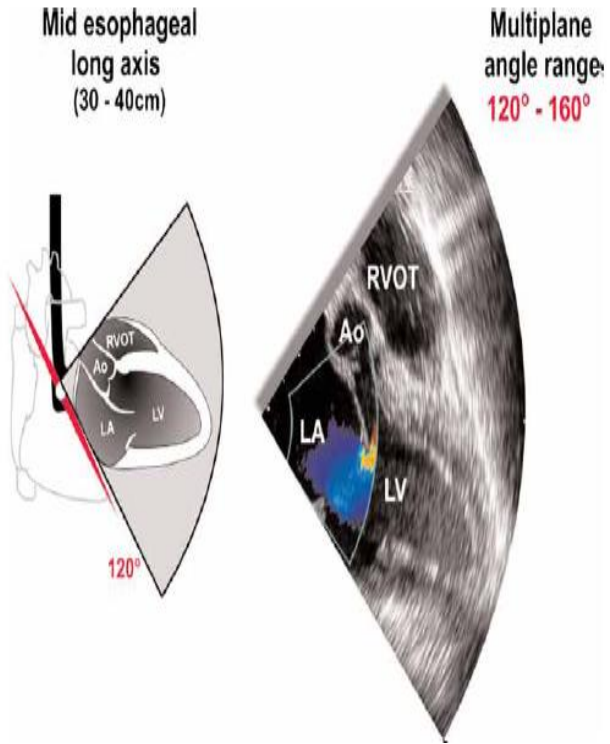
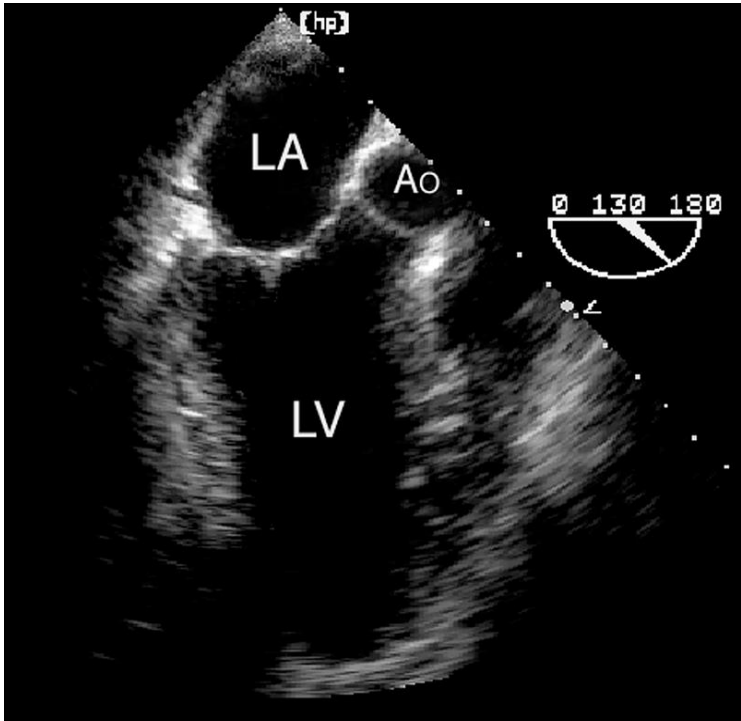
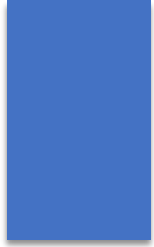
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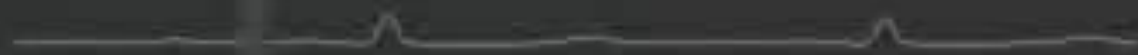
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Mid esophageal  
aortic valve  
long axis  
(30 - 40cm)



Multiplane  
angle range  
**120° - 160°**



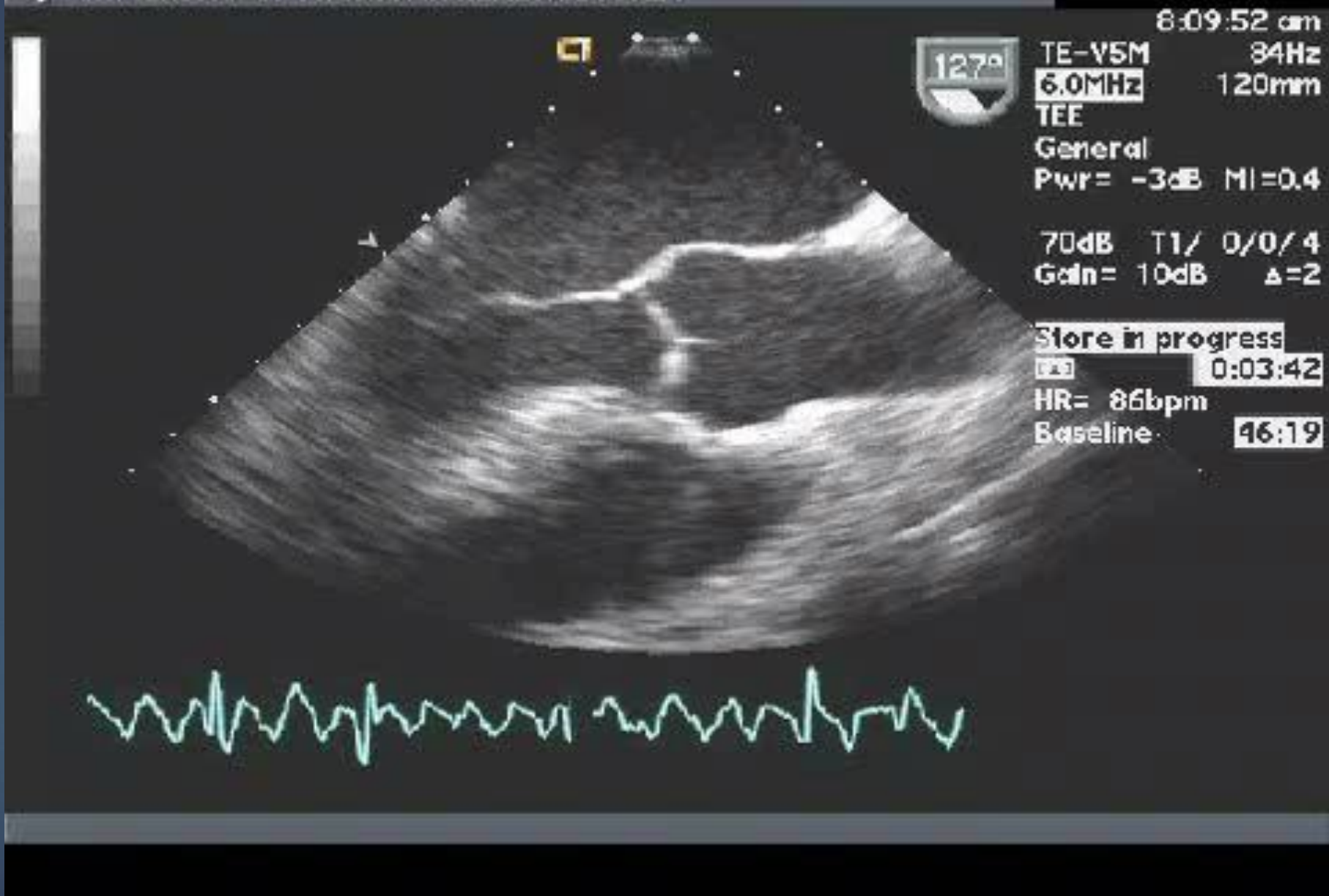
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long axis







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CD Pan

CD Pos/Size

# Bicaval view

To Obtain the View

Find ME 2 C (90°) Turn the entire probe right  
Change angle or rotate probe slightly to  
image both the IVC (left) and SVC (right)  
simultaneously

## Imaged structures and Diagnostic issues

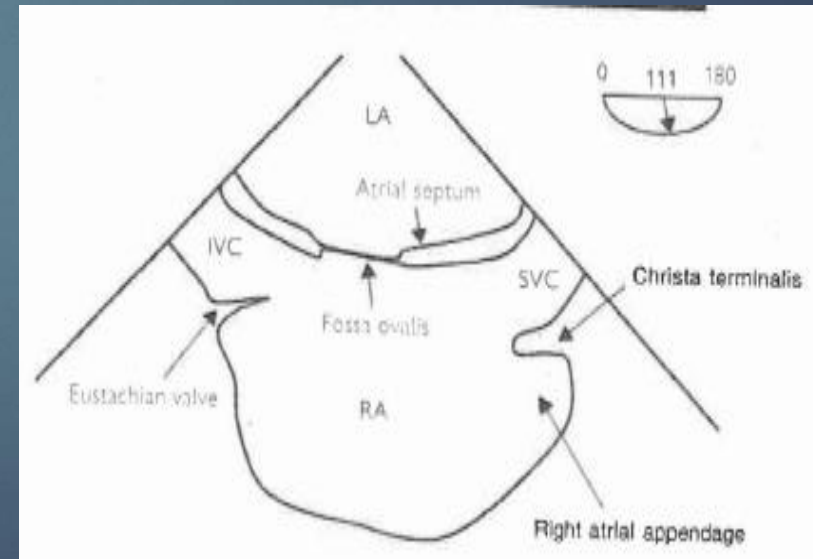
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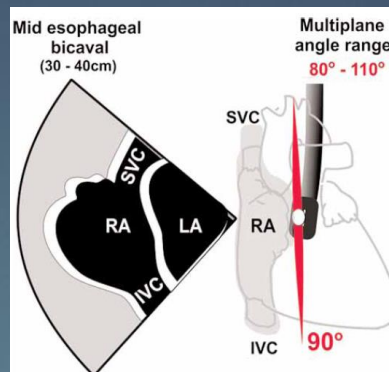
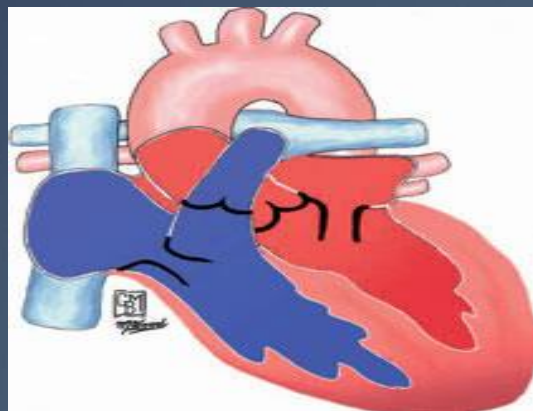
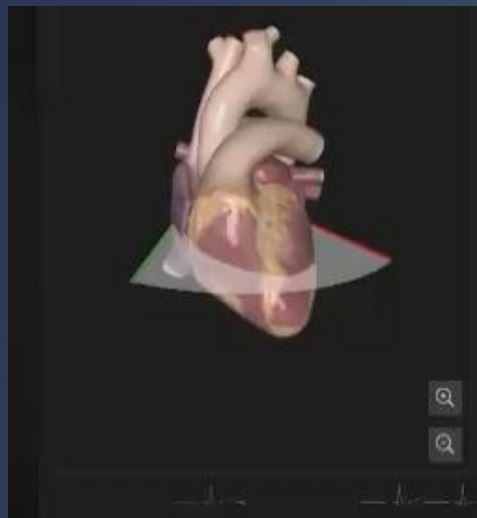
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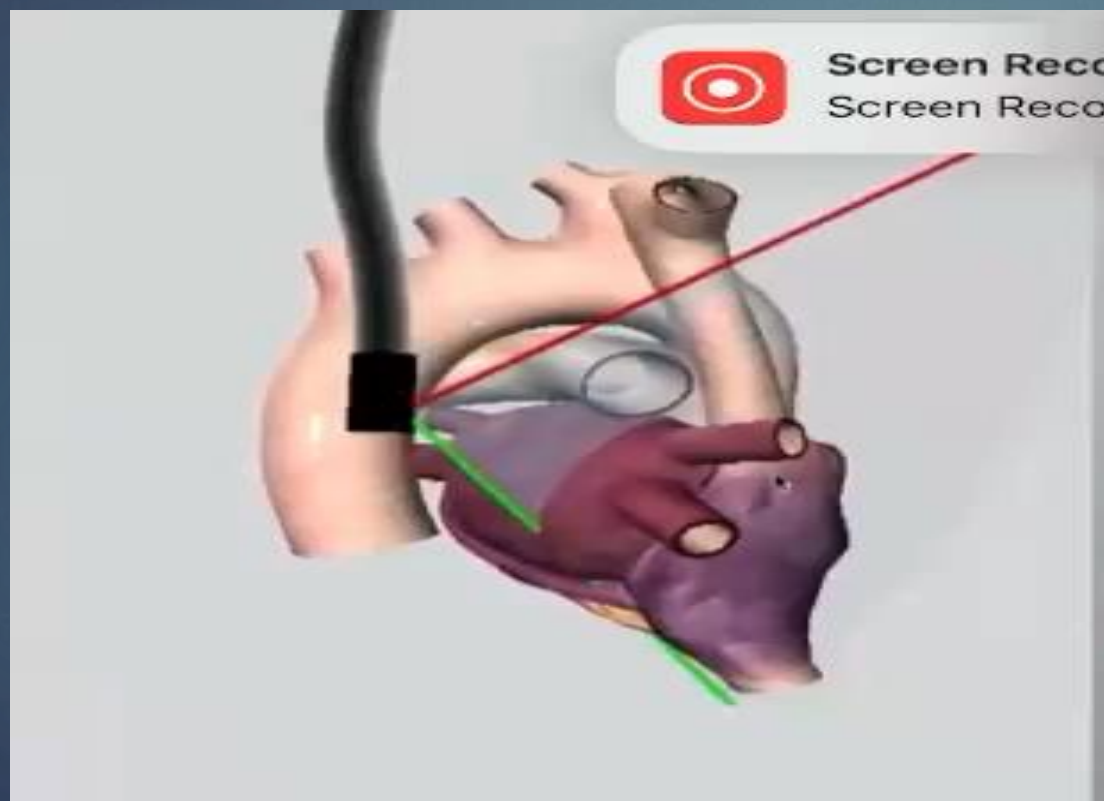
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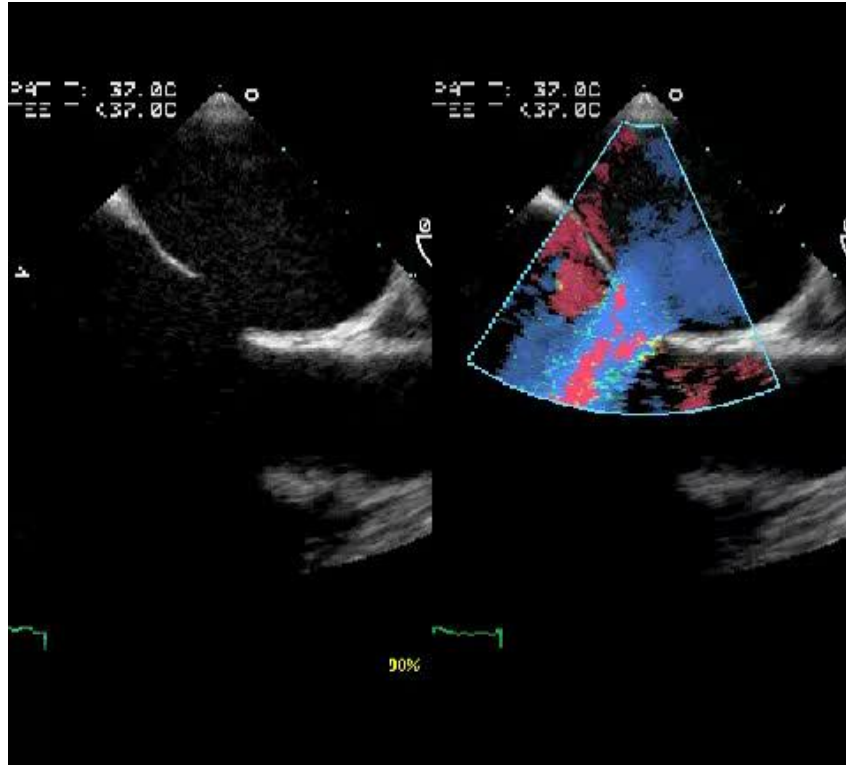






Mid esophageal  
bicaval





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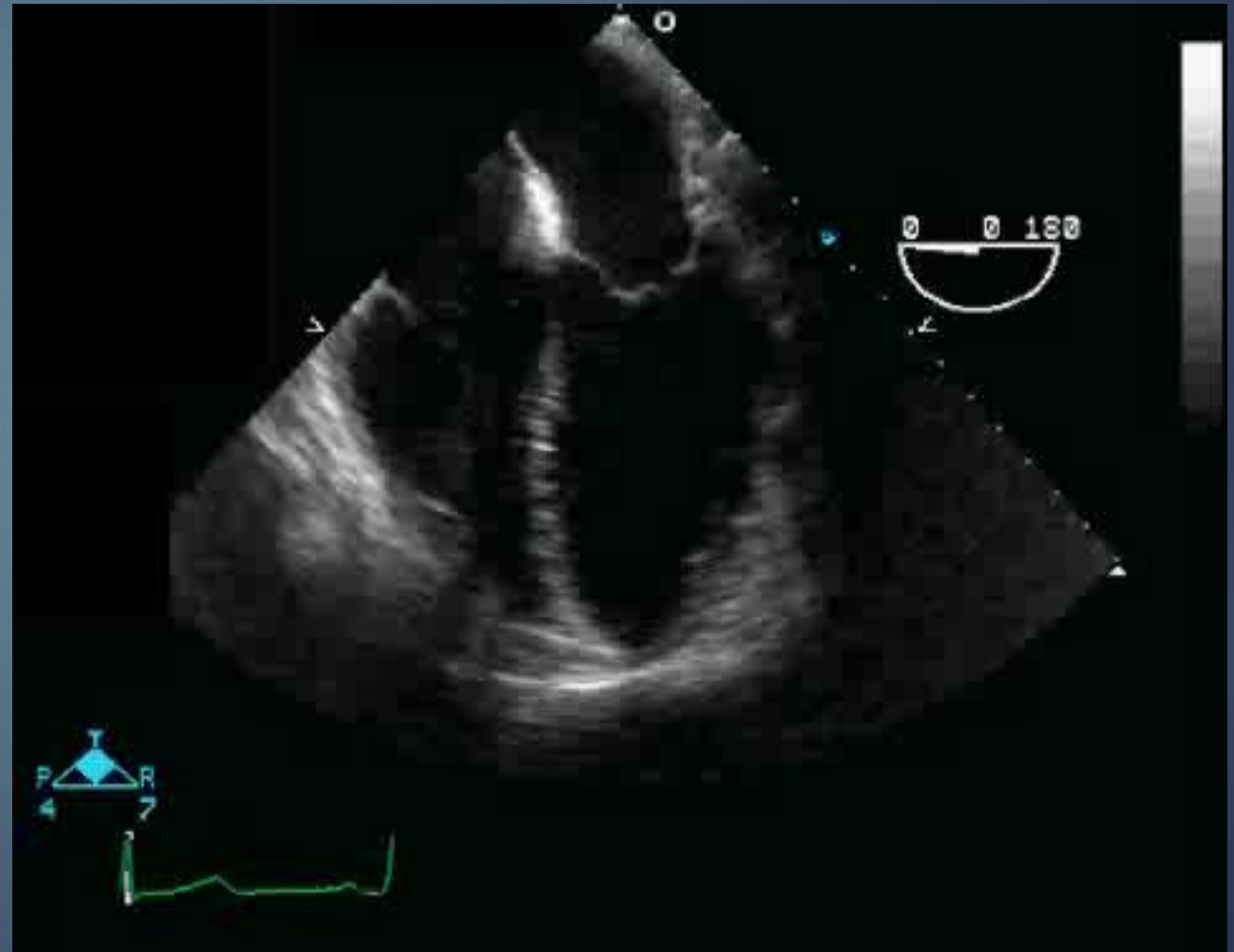
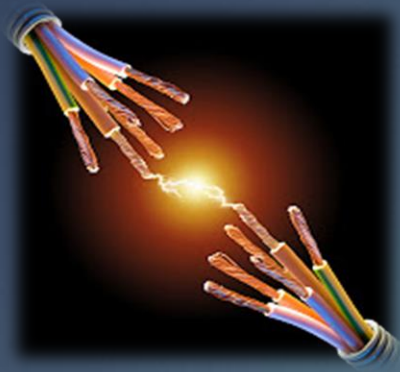
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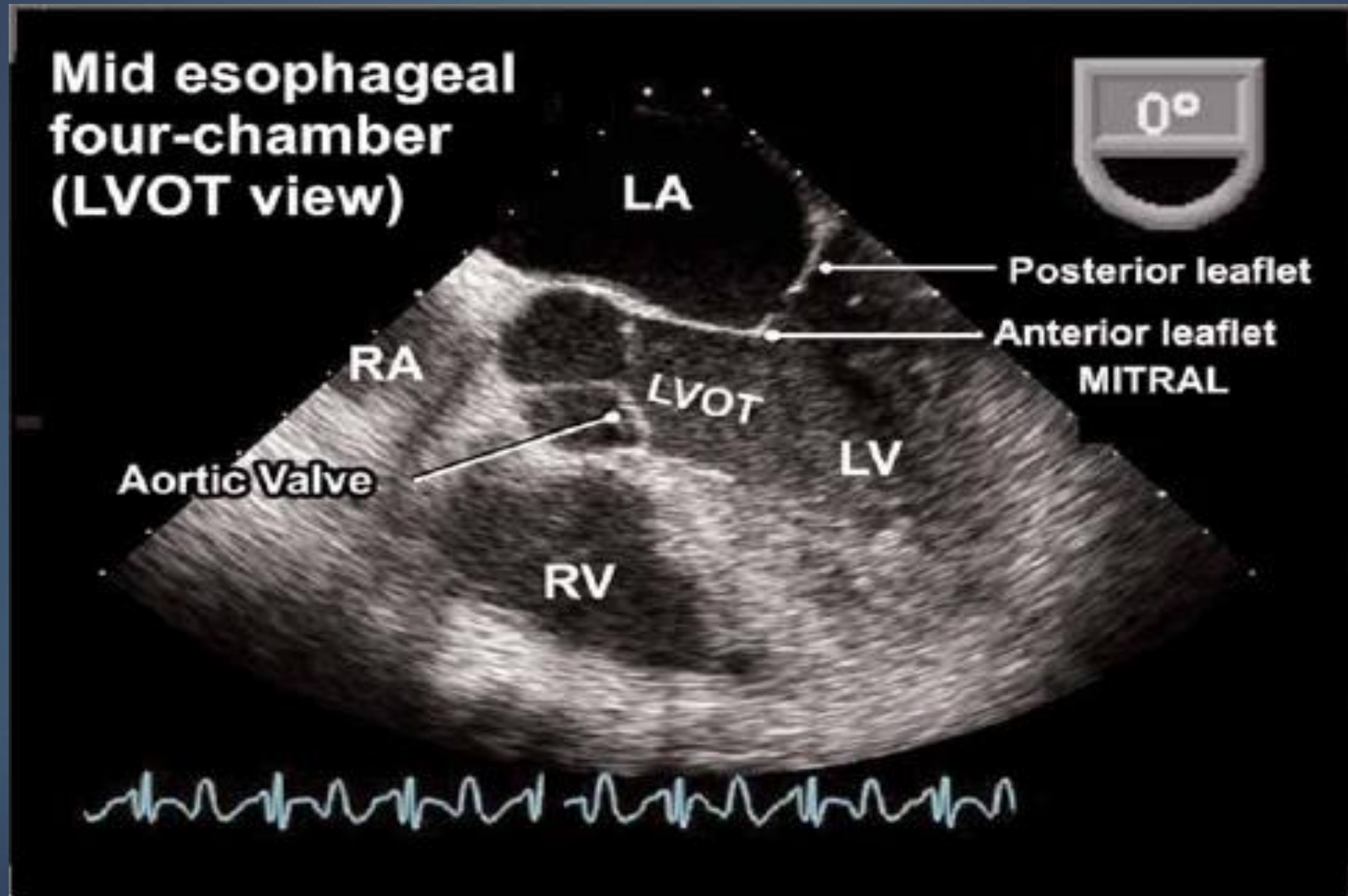
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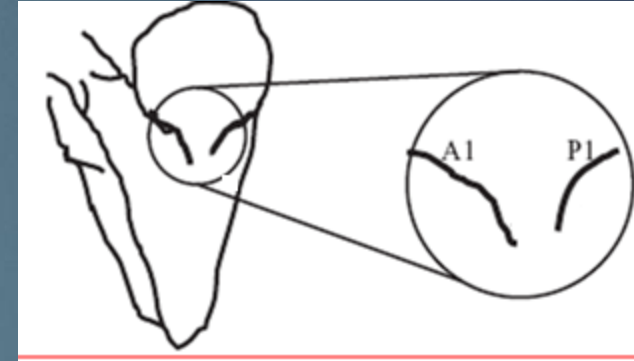
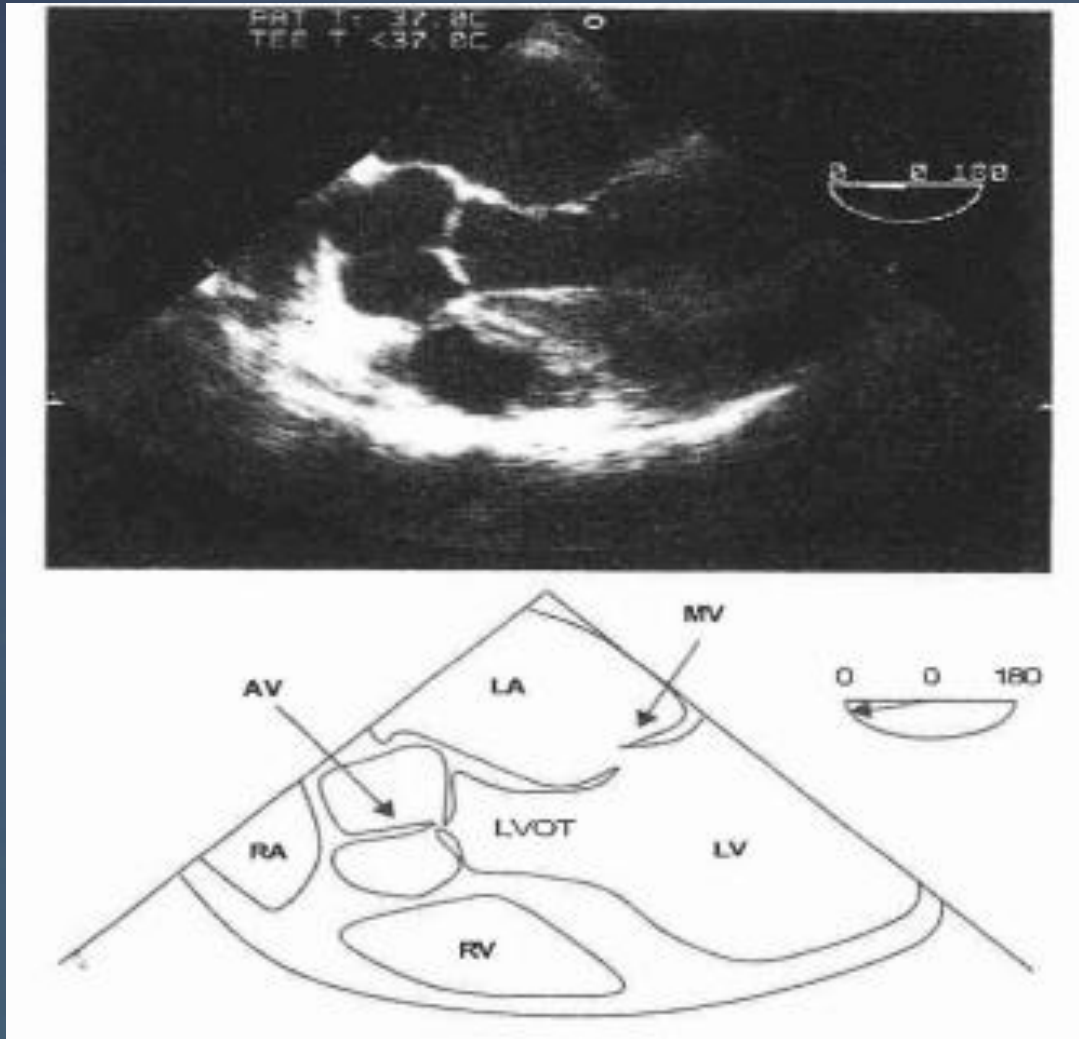




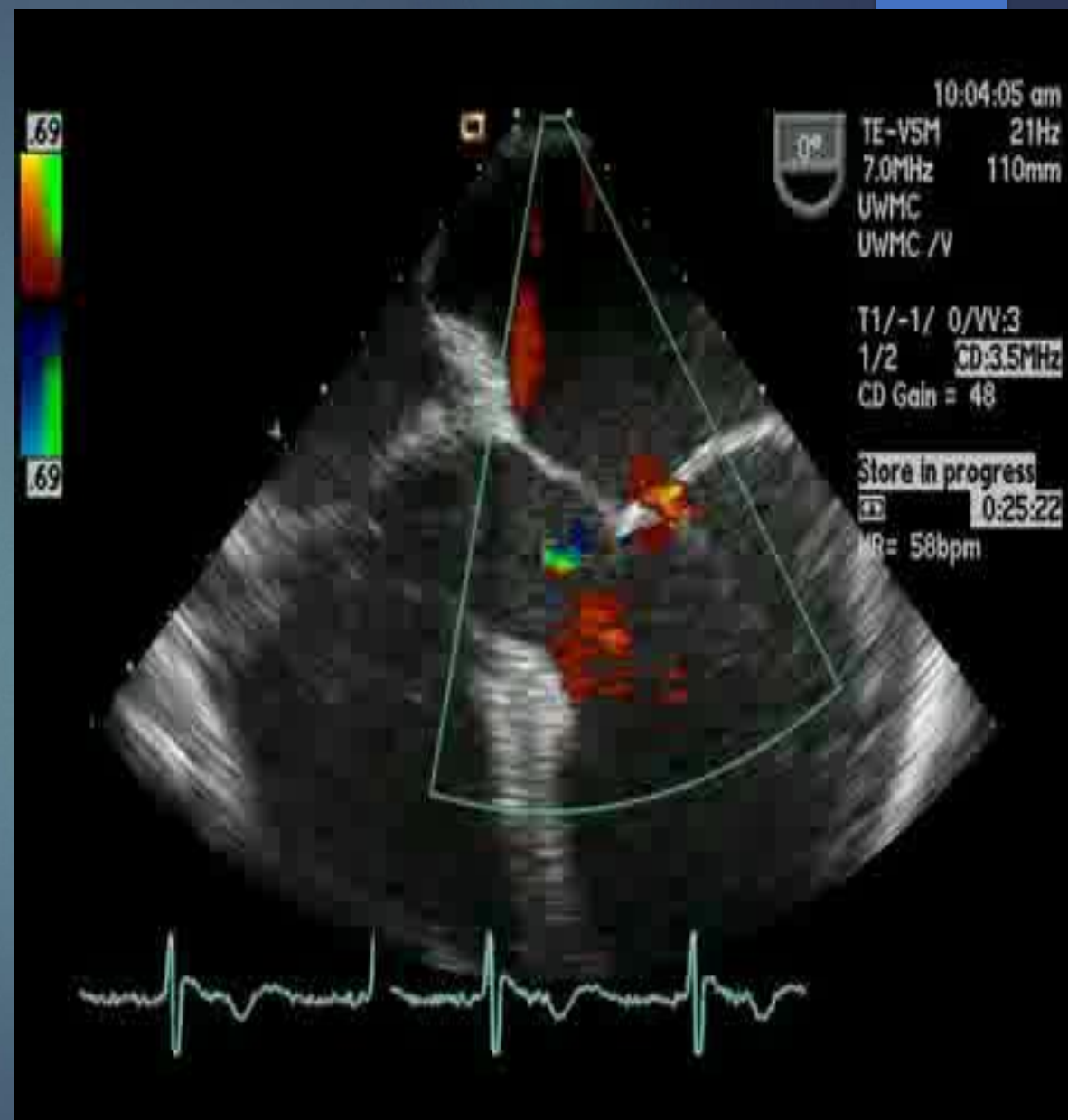
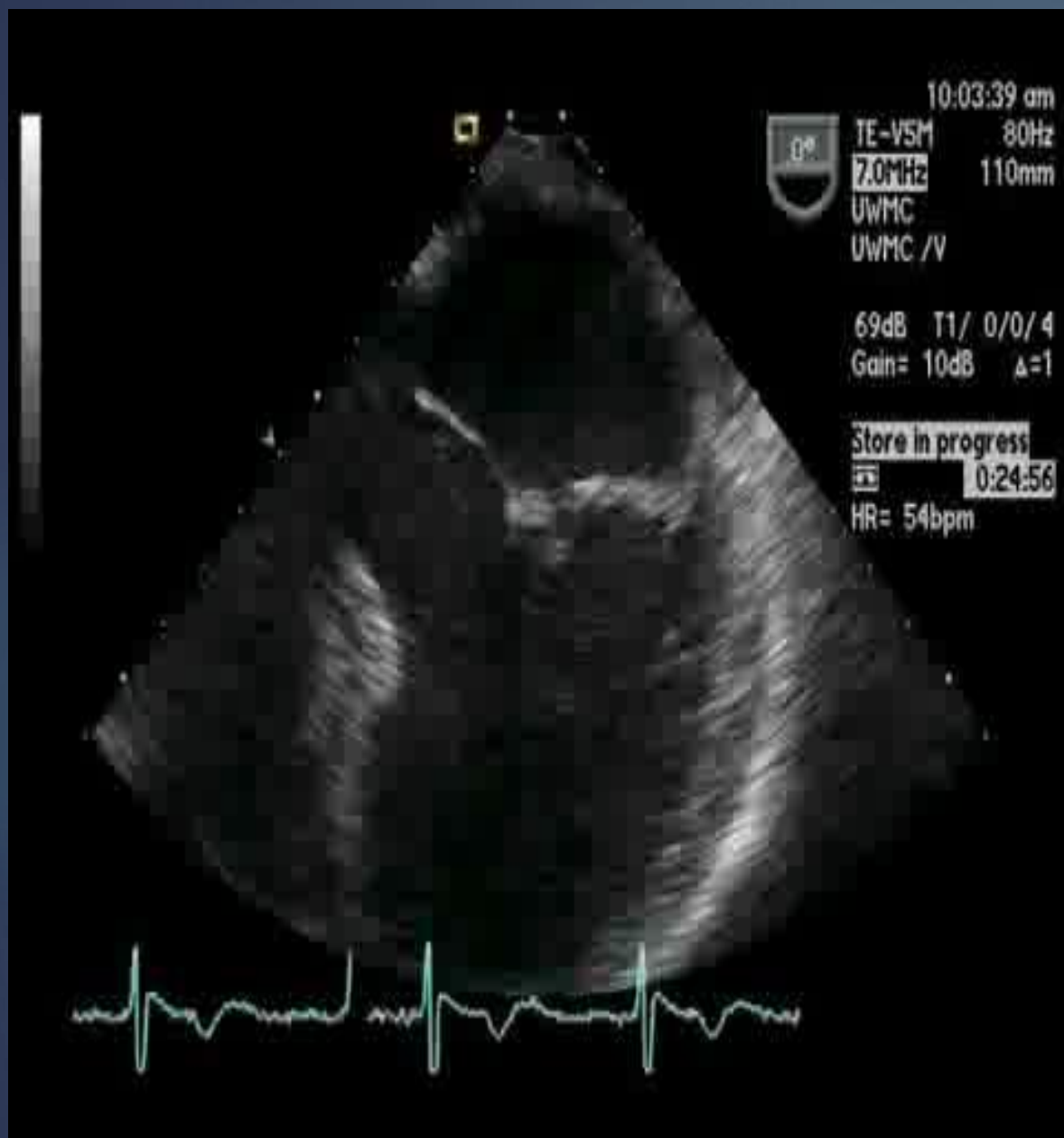


## Five chamber view





The main purpose is to get to the appropriate level for the aortic short axis view.





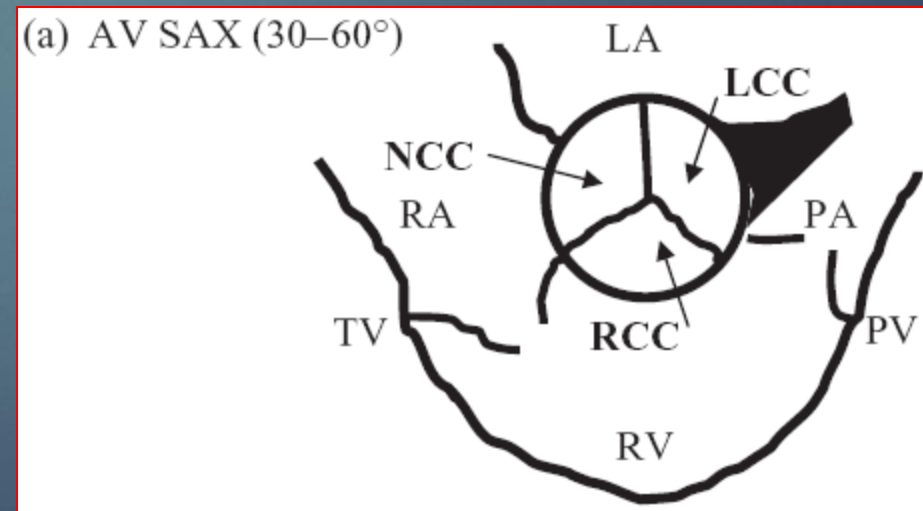
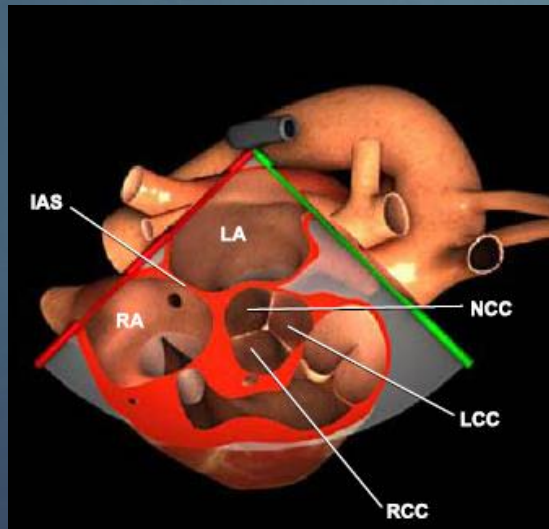
## To Obtain the View

Find the ME 4C (0°) withdraw cephalad to obtain the ME 5C view (0°) that includes the LVOT and AV

Rotate omniplane angle to 30-45°

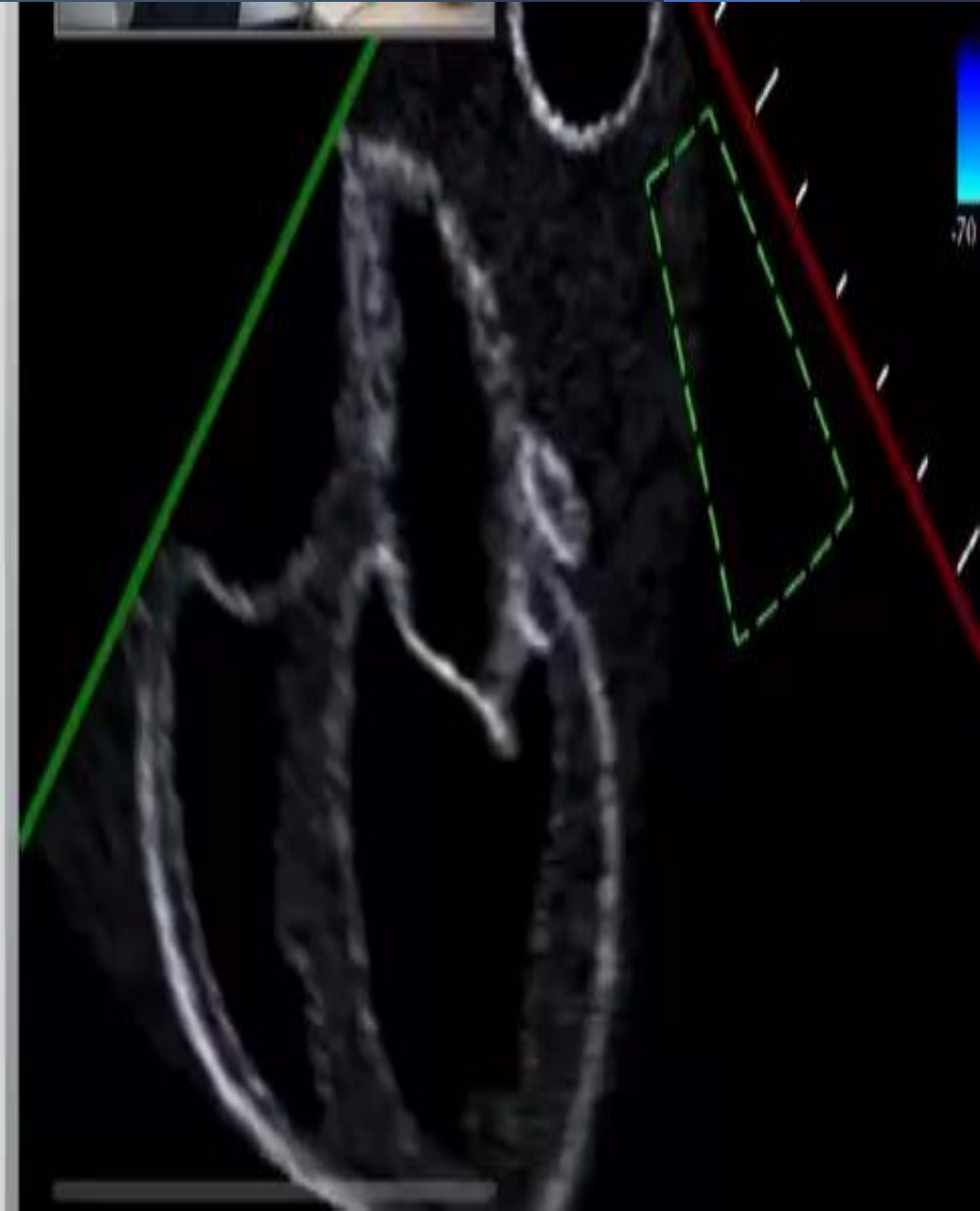
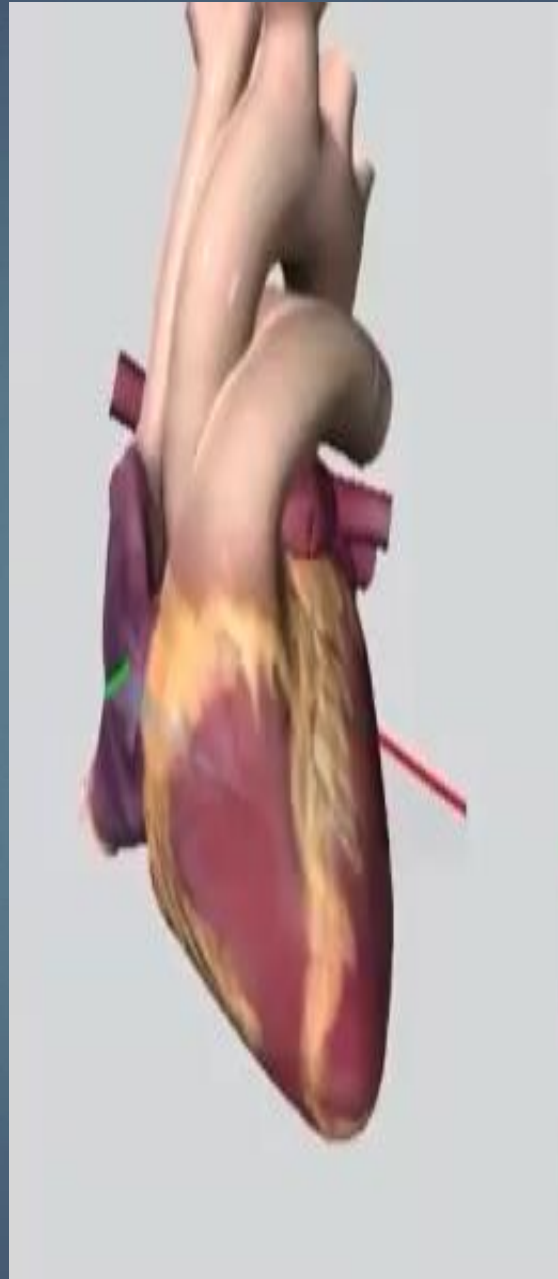
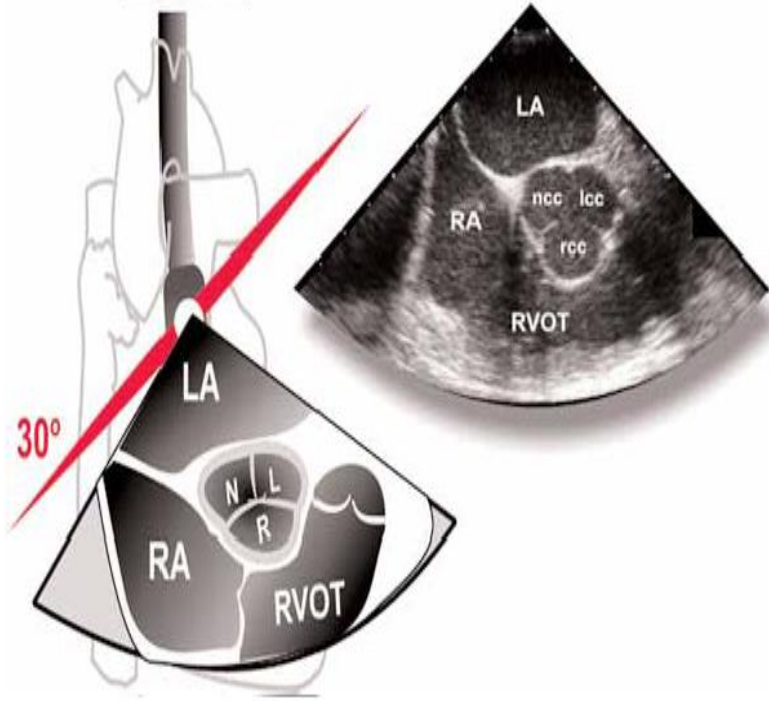
Center aortic valve and aim to **make 3 aortic valve cusps symmetric**

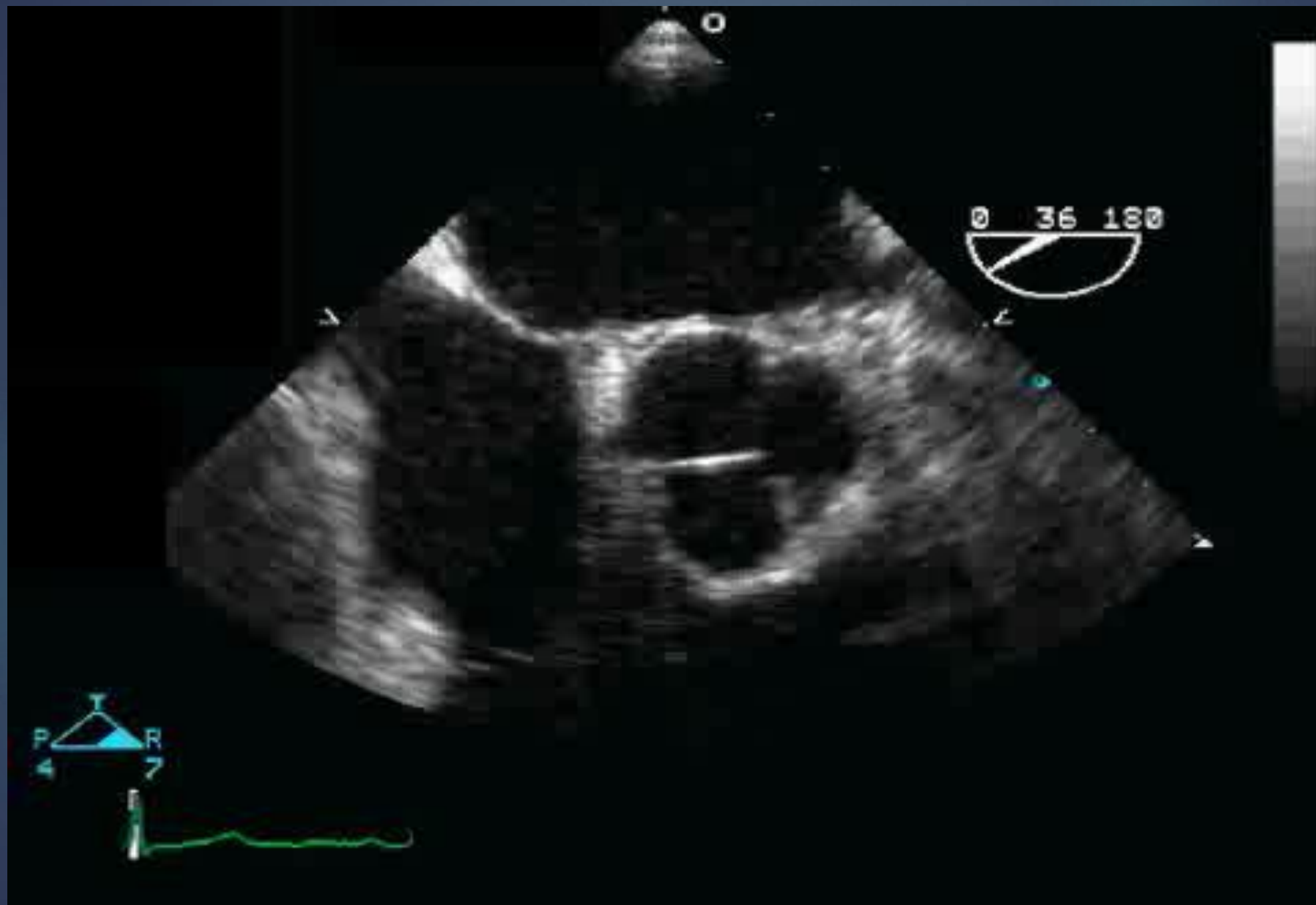
Withdraw probe for coronary ostia



Mid esophageal  
aortic valve  
short axis  
(30 - 40cm)

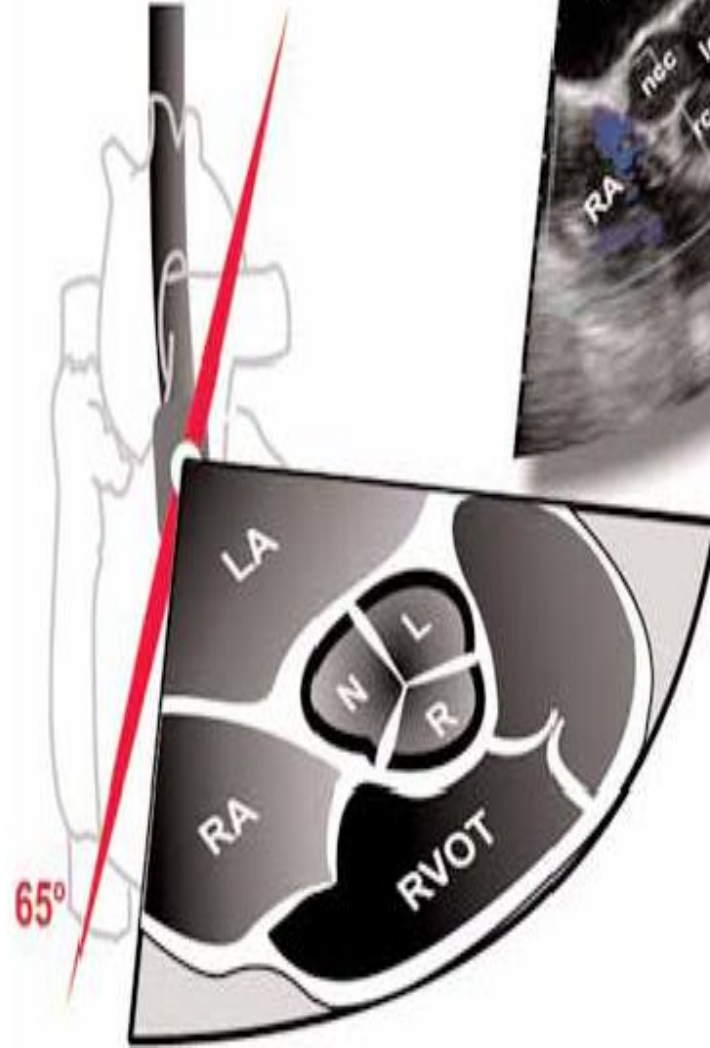
Multiplane  
angle range  
 $30^{\circ} - 60^{\circ}$







Mid esophageal  
right ventricular  
inflow - outflow  
(30 - 40cm)



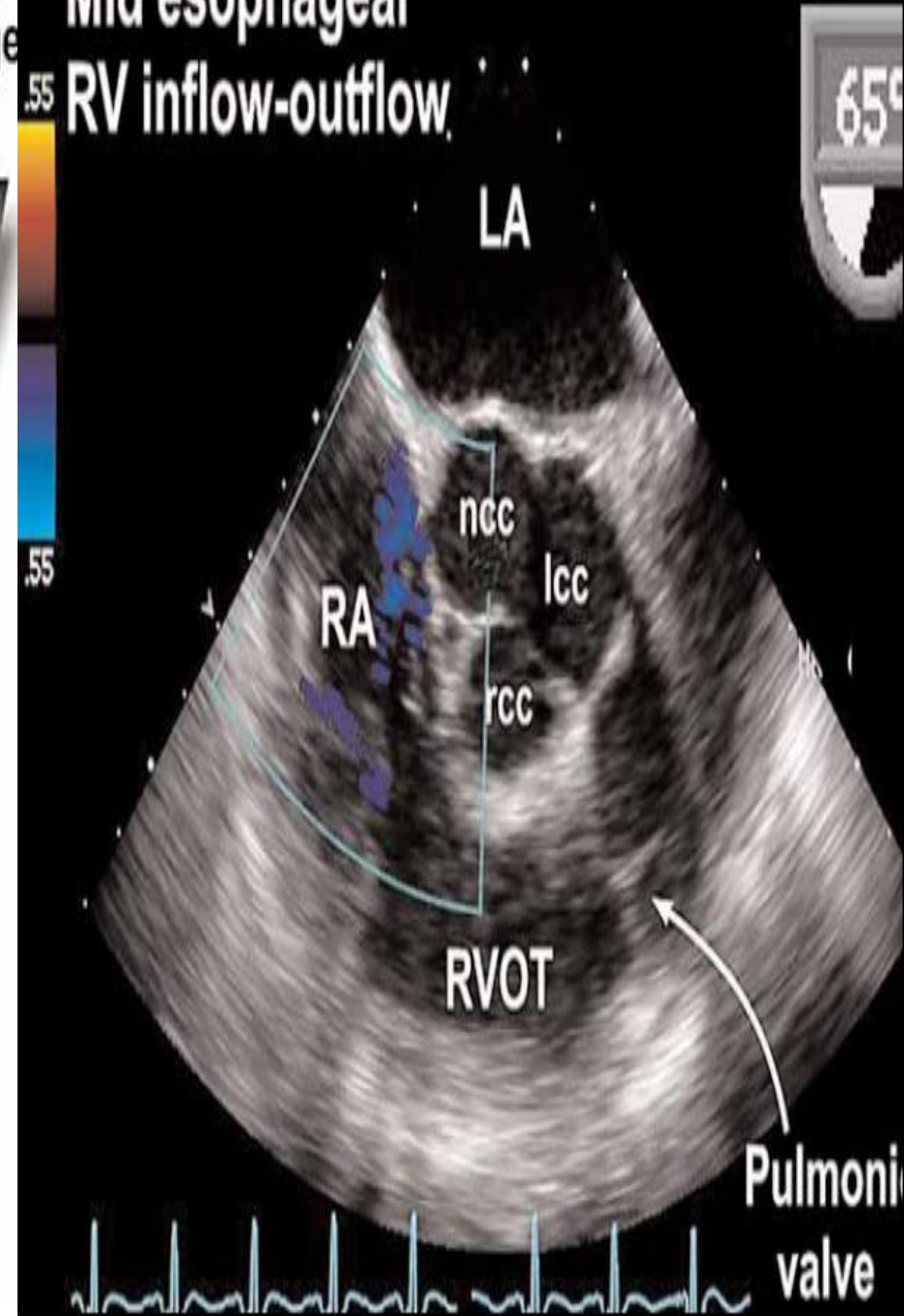
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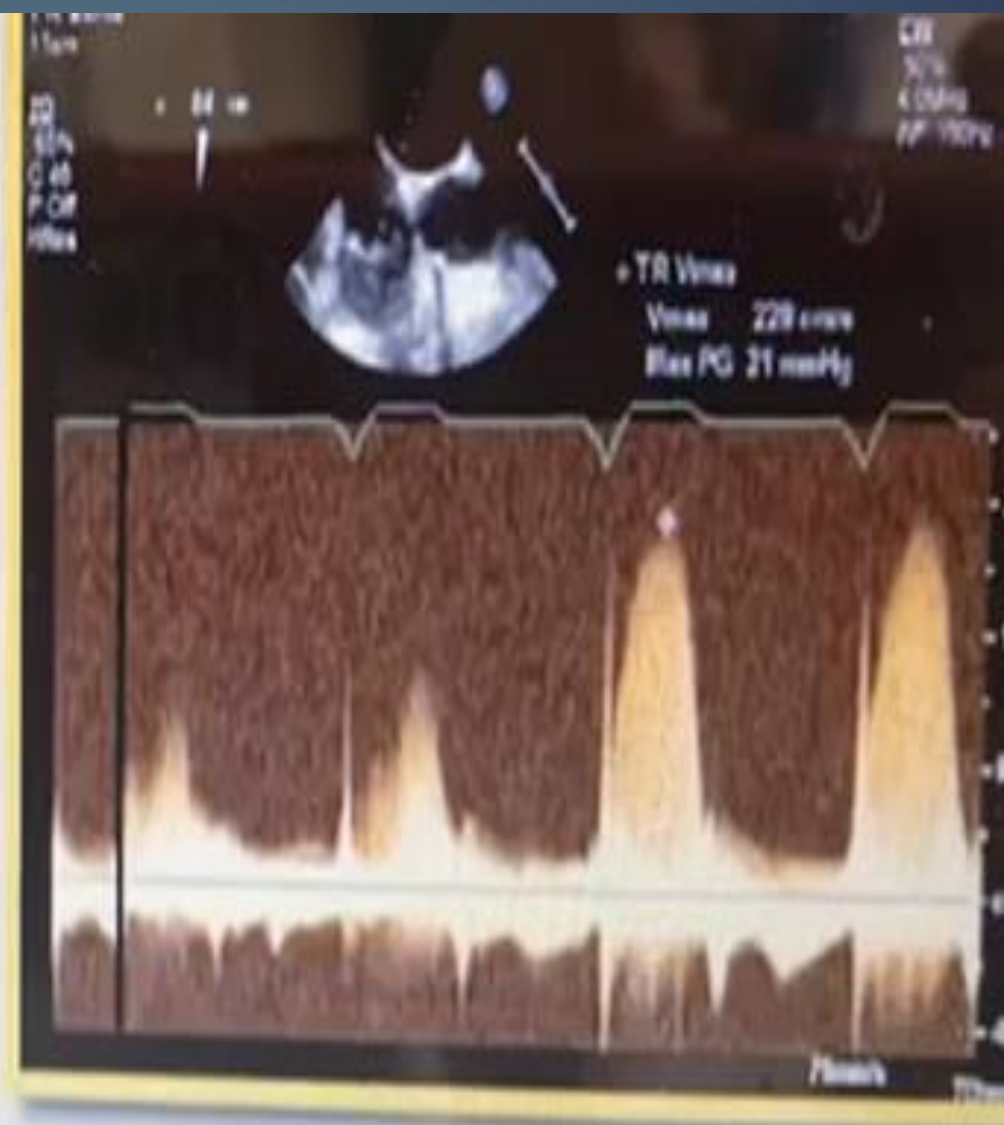
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RV inflow-outflow

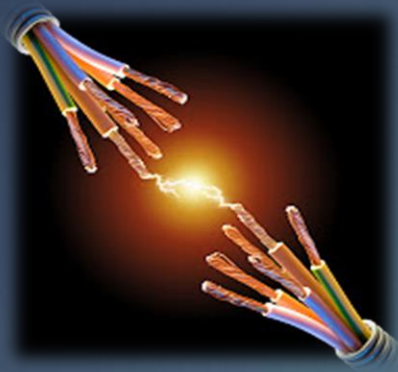
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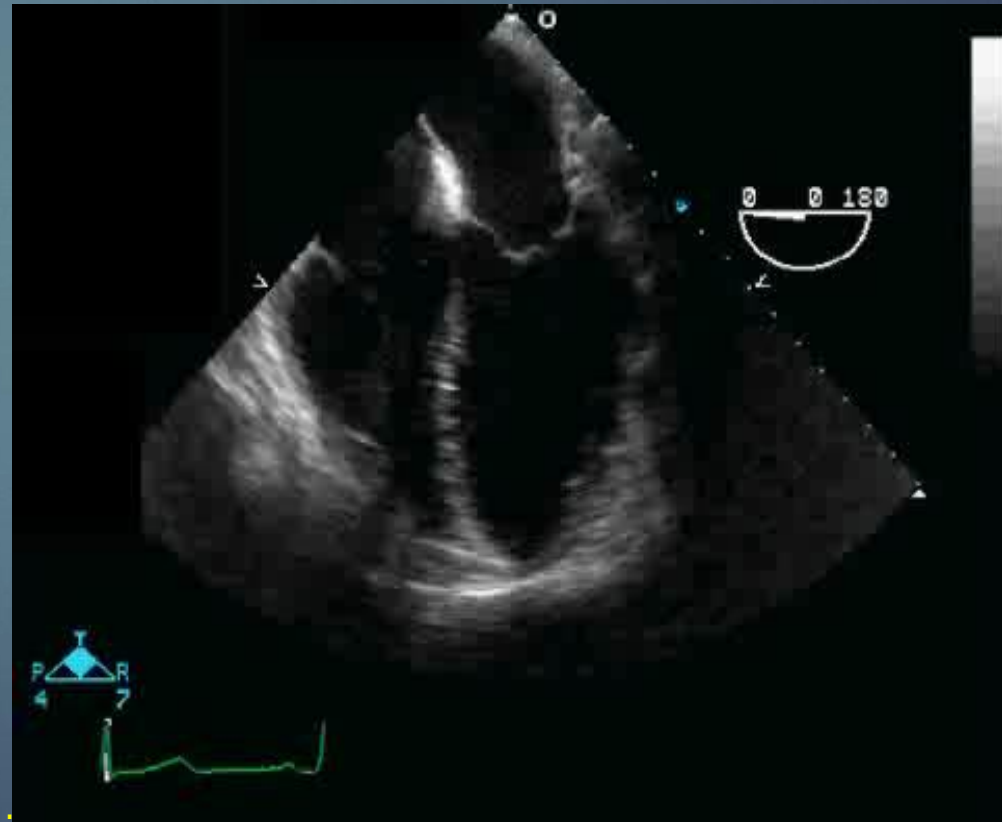






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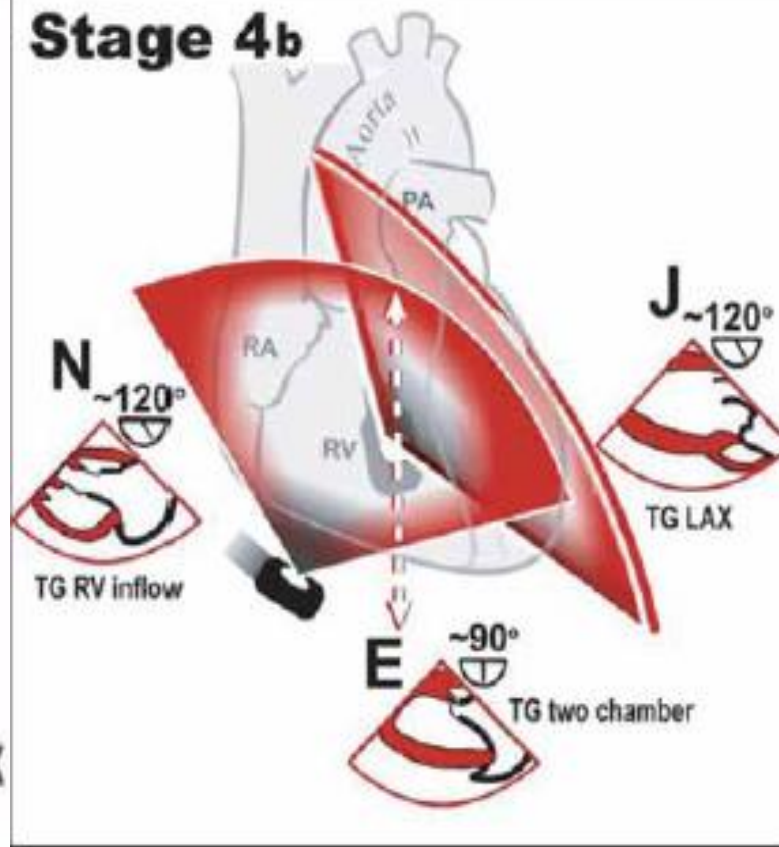
If during a transoesophageal investigation you become disoriented find the 4-chamber view again.



## Stage 4a



## Stage 4b



**Advance to stomach, anteflex.**

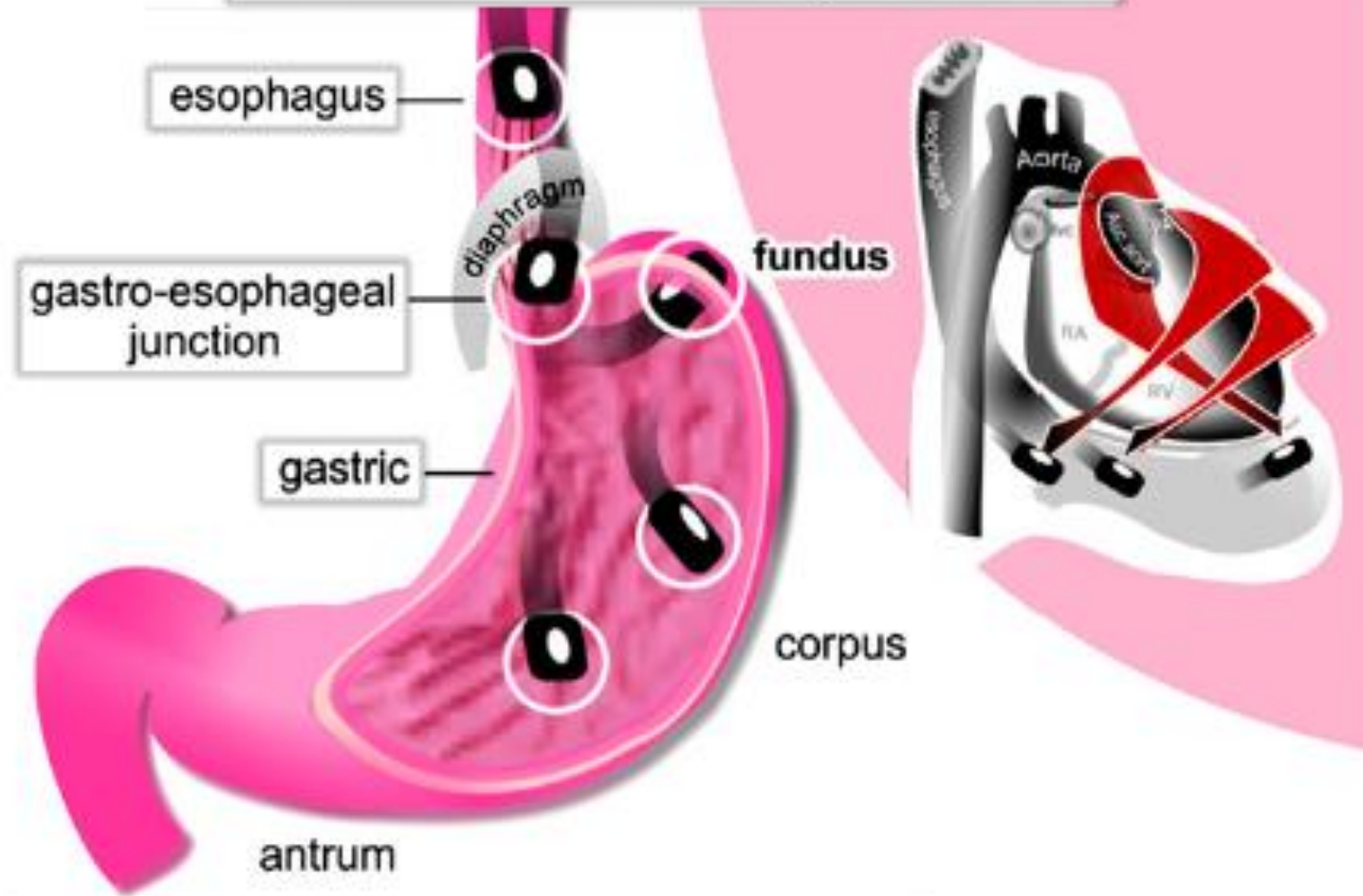
- Transgastric mid-short axis  $0^\circ$ .
- Withdraw slightly: transgastric basal short axis  $0^\circ$ .
- Trans-gastric two-chamber  $90^\circ$ . from mid pap
- trans-gastric long axis  $120^\circ$ - $140^\circ$ .

**Turn right:**

- trans-gastric right ventricular inflow  $120^\circ$ . from transgast basal SAV
- Advance, anteflex, deep trans-gastric long axis  $0^\circ$  (left flexion)

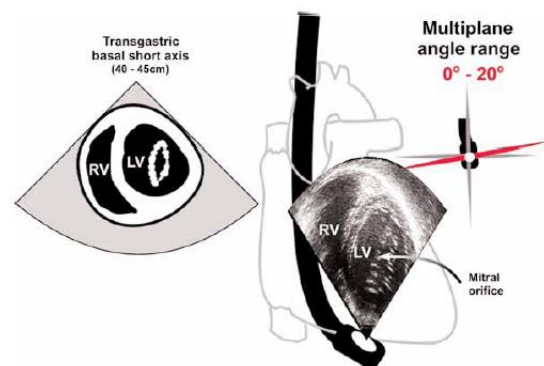
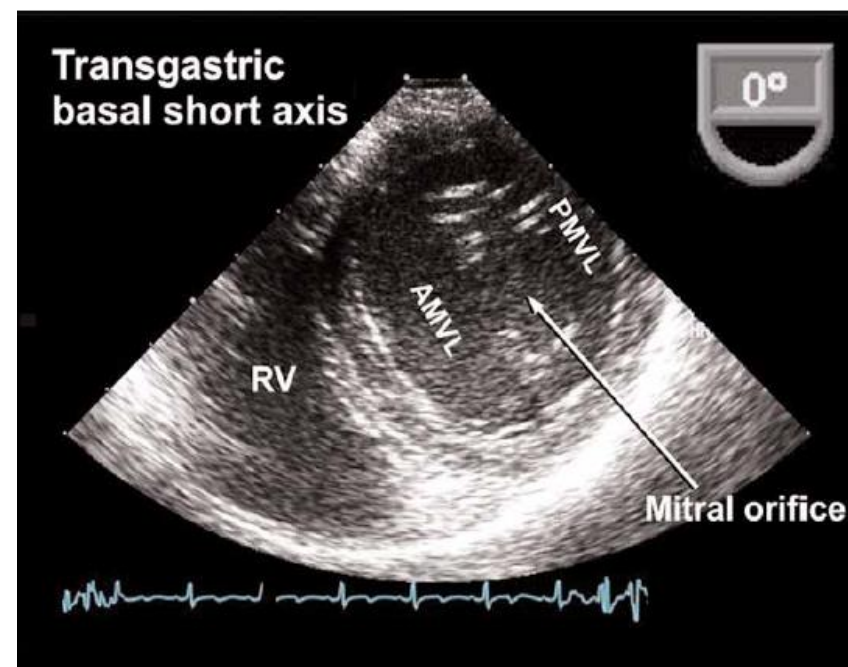
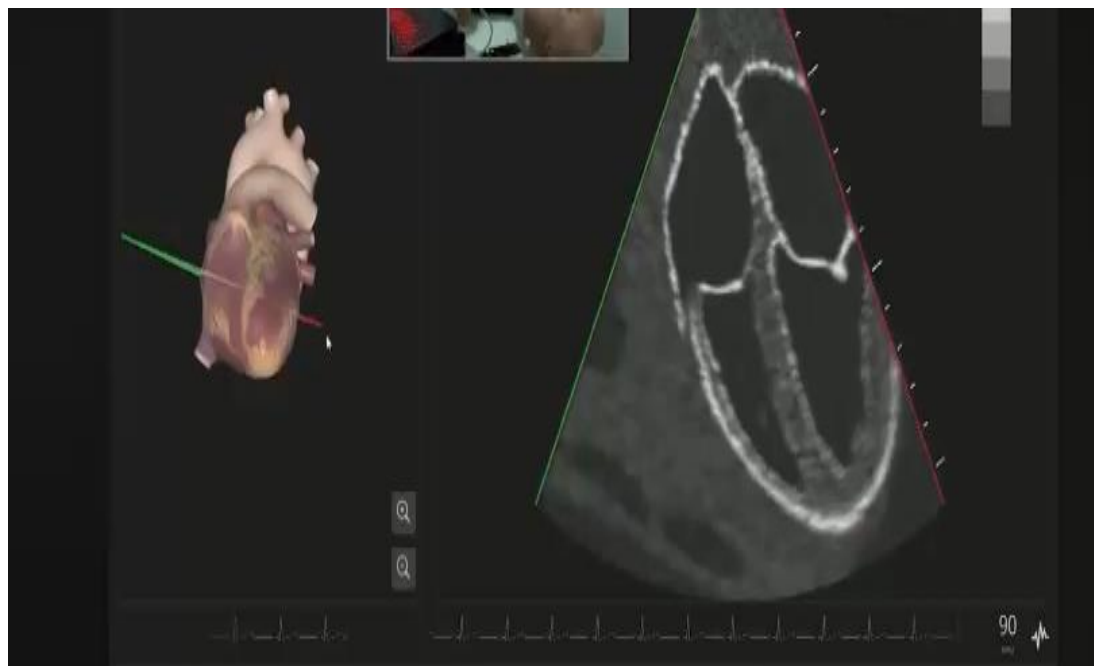


# Gastric Probe Manipulations



*Gastric injury typically occurs in the gastric fundus during deep transgastric probe manipulation, especially when requiring extreme antelexion to bring the probe inline and in contact with the apex of the heart (e.g., deep transgastric aortic outflow view). The gastroesophageal junction is a vulnerable zone because probe manipulation at this level may place the relatively fixed tissues under considerable tension.*



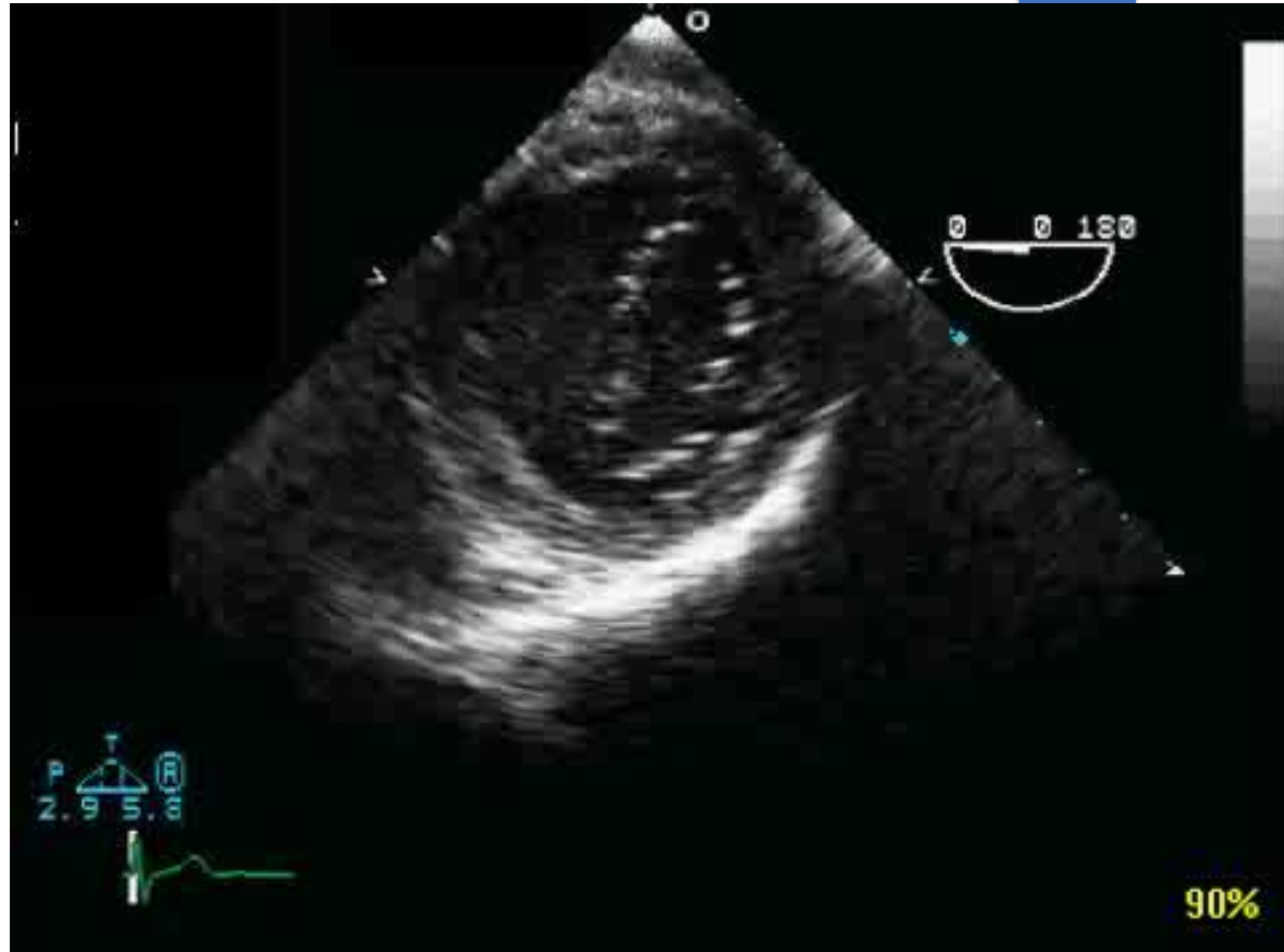


► Transgastric Basal SAX View

► To Obtain the View

- Insert the probe to the stomach, angle 0°
- Anteflex the probe to obtain the TG mid SAX view
- Withdraw the probe until MV is seen in SAX
- Aim to see symmetric MV commissures

- Imaged structure: (LV 6 basal segment, MV, RV, IVS)



Transgastric  
mid short axis  
(40 - 45cm)

Multiplane  
angle range  
 $0^{\circ} - 20^{\circ}$



Transgastric  
mid short axis

Postero-medial  
papillary muscle

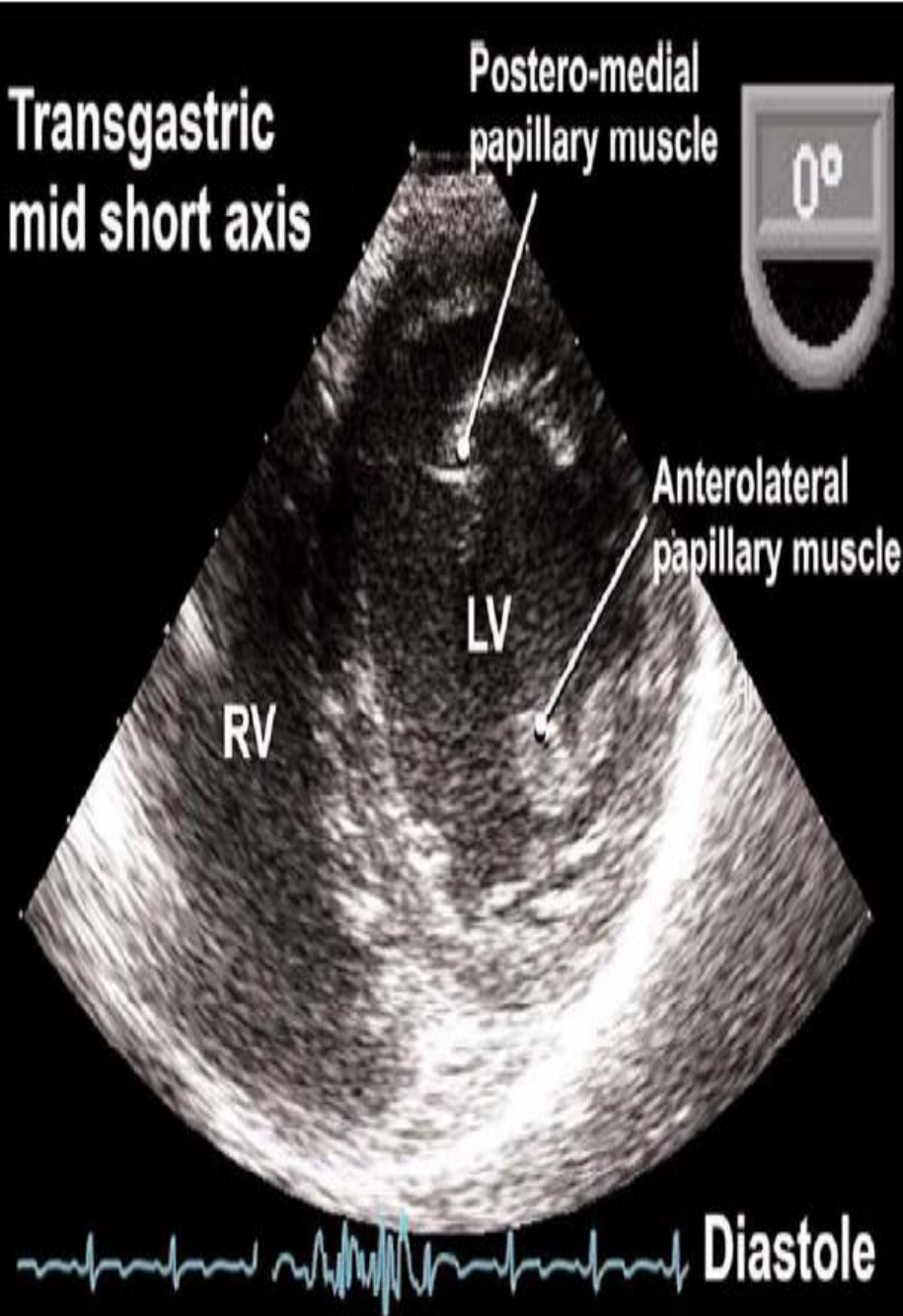


Anterolateral  
papillary muscle

LV

RV

Diastole



## Transgastric Mid SAX View

### To Obtain the View

- Insert the probe to the stomach, angle 0°
- Advance probe until see stomach (rugae) or liver
- Anteflex to contact stomach wall and inferior wall of heart
- Center LV by turning probe R or L
- Both papillary muscles imaged
- Increase the gain to optimize endocardial definition

### Imaged structures and Diagnostic issues

- Left Ventricle: size, function (opposing mid segment and papillary muscles)
- Interventricular Septal motion
- Ventricular Septal Defect (VSD)
- Pericardial effusion



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TEE T: 38.8C

(hp)

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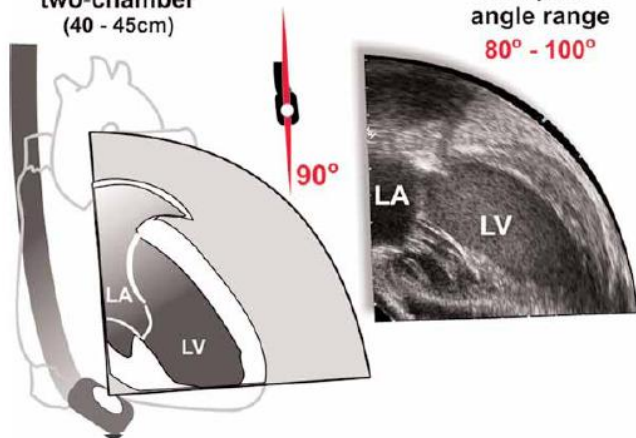
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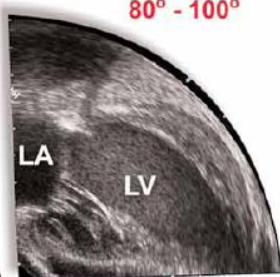
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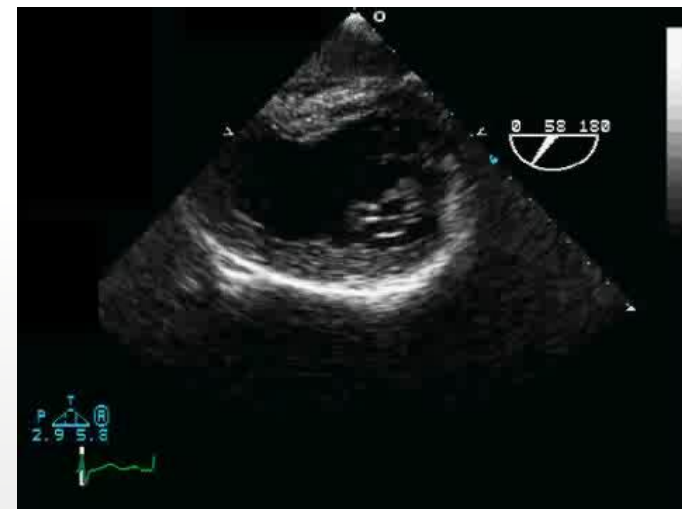
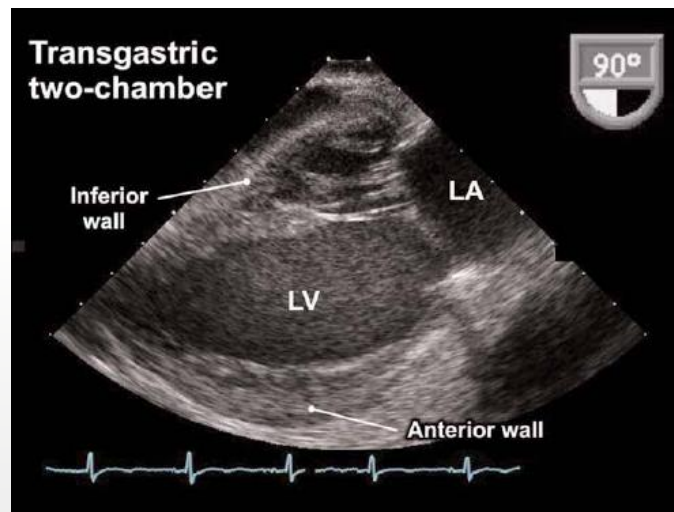
Transgastric  
two-chamber  
(40 - 45cm)



Multiplane  
angle range  
80° - 100°



Transgastric  
two-chamber



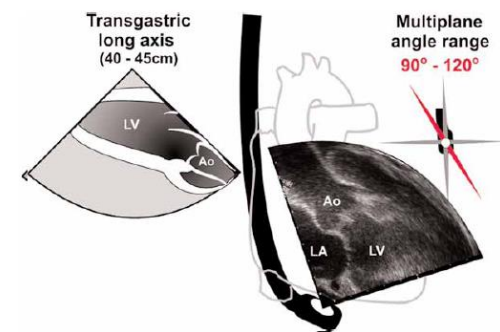
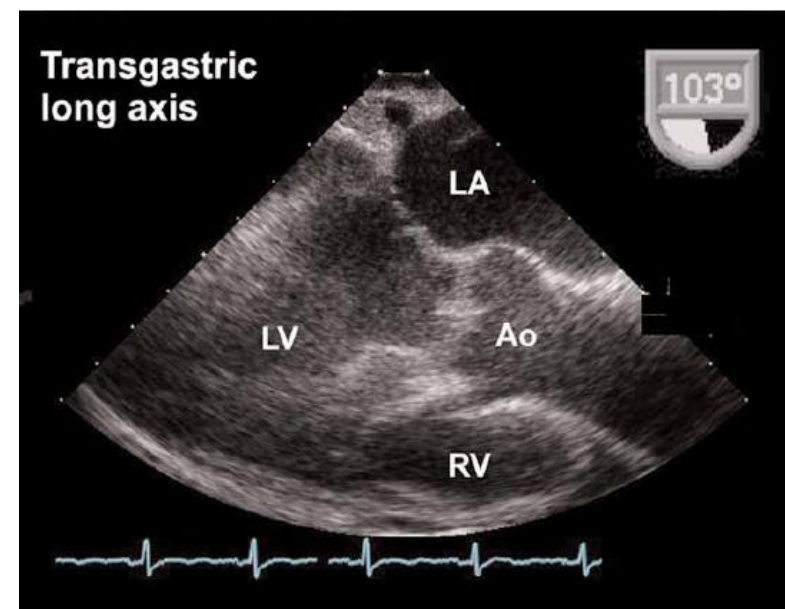
# Transgastric LAX View

## To Obtain the View

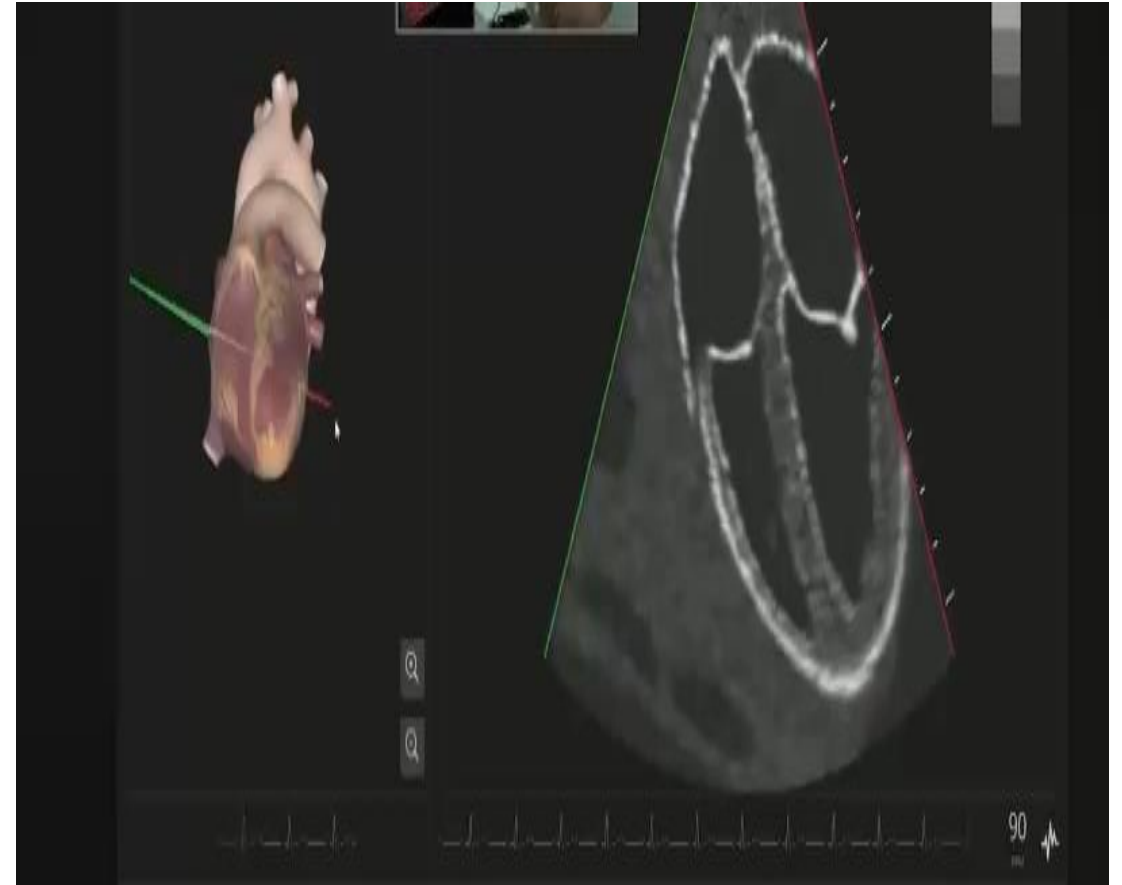
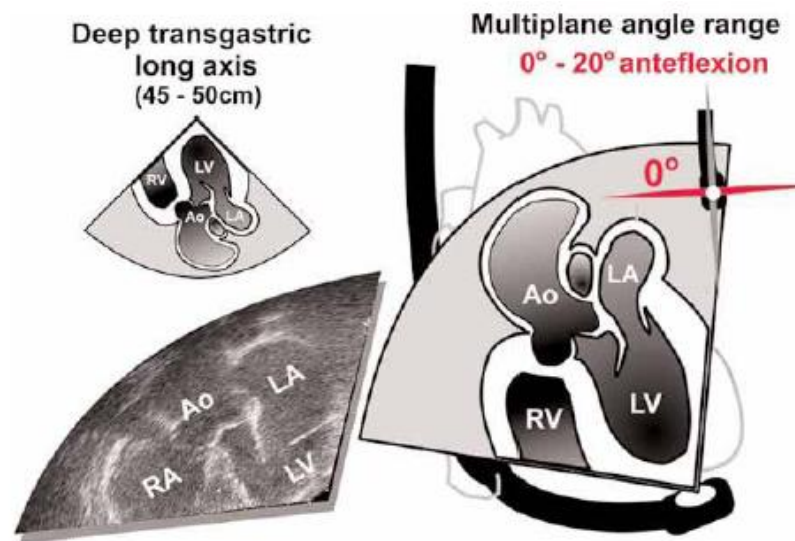
- Insert the probe to the stomach, angle 0°
- From TG 2 chamber (90°)
- Rotate omniplane angle to 110-120°
- May turn probe to right
- AV seen on the right side of display, adjust depth

## Imaged structures and Diagnostic issues

- Lt V (antsep /post walls), LVOT ,IVS,MV ,AV
- Mitral Valve Pathology
- Ventricular Septal Defects (VSD)
- LV systolic function
- Aortic Valve: color doppler
- LVOT: color Doppler







FR 16Hz  
12cm

2D

87%

C 47

P Off

Pen

CF

77%

4.4MHz

WF Max

Low



M3 M4  
+46.2



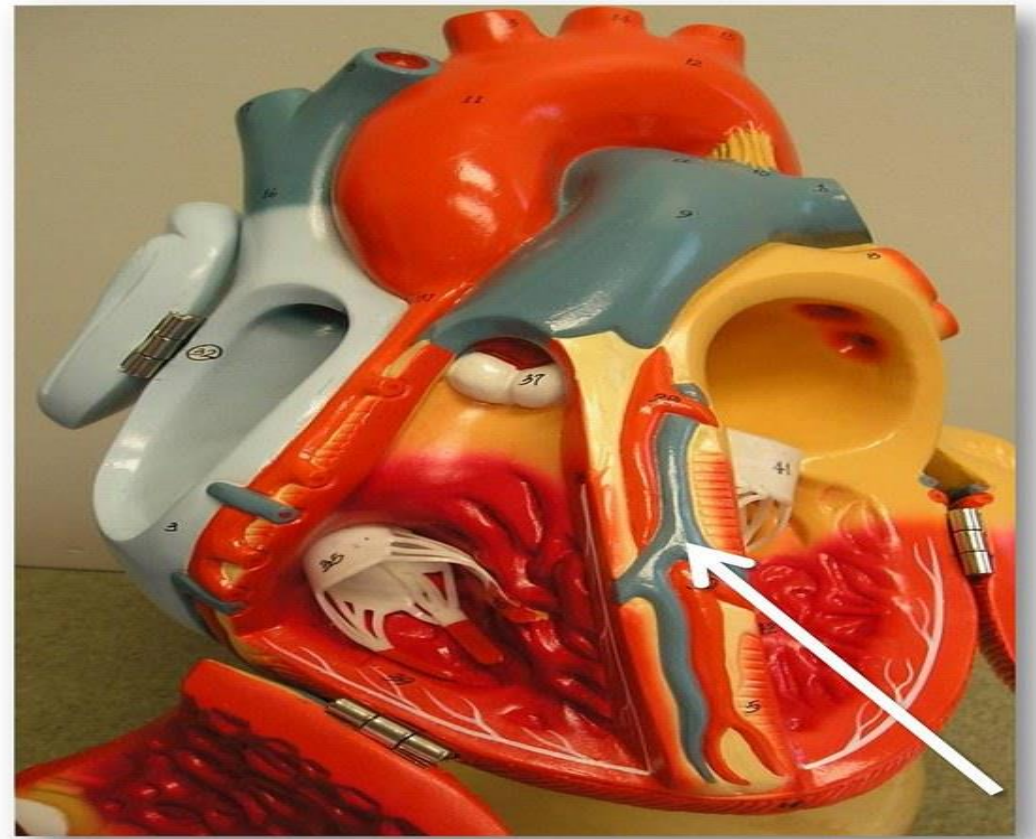
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cm/s



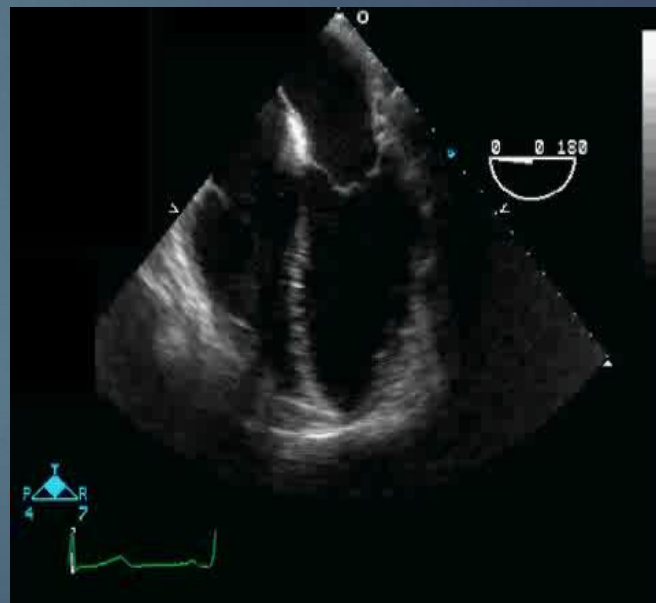
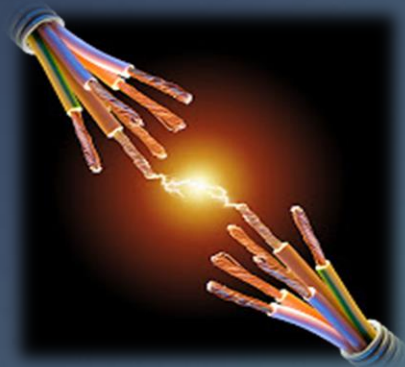
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TEE T: < 37.0C

48 bpm



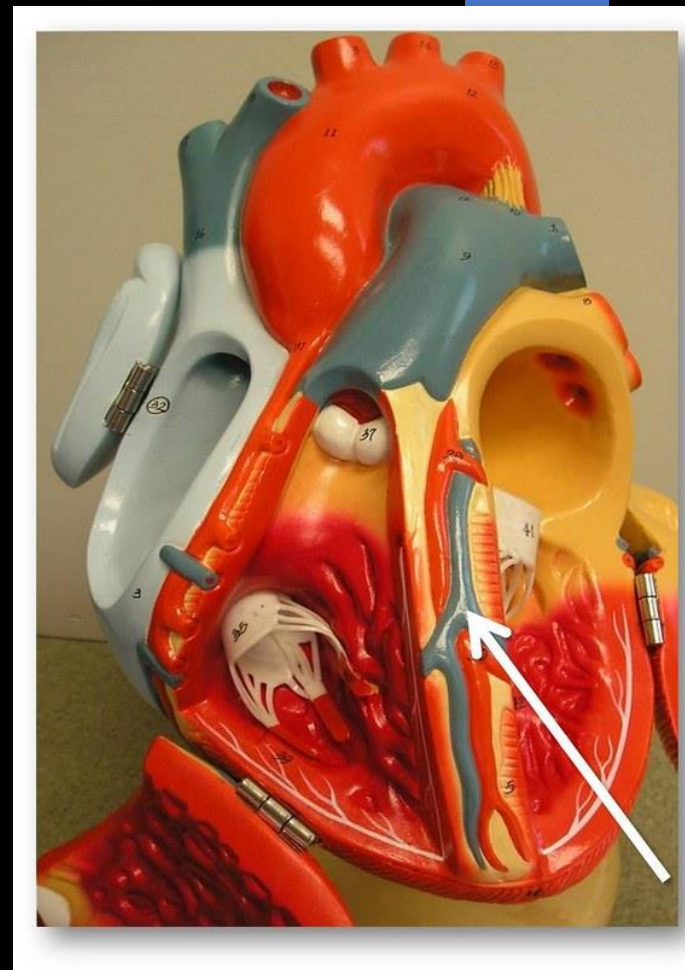
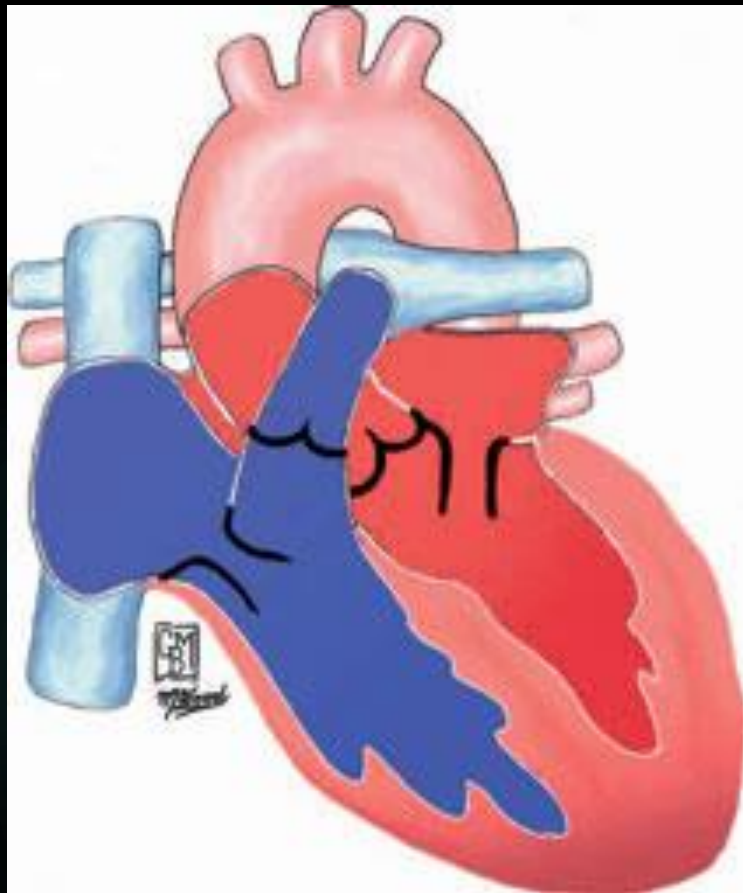
*Aorta Examination?????*



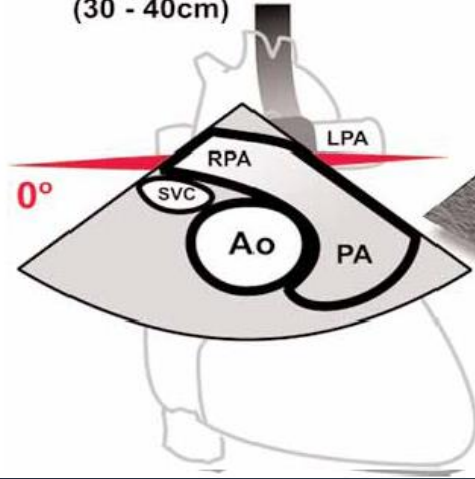
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If during a transoesophageal investigation you become disoriented find the **4-chamber view** again.

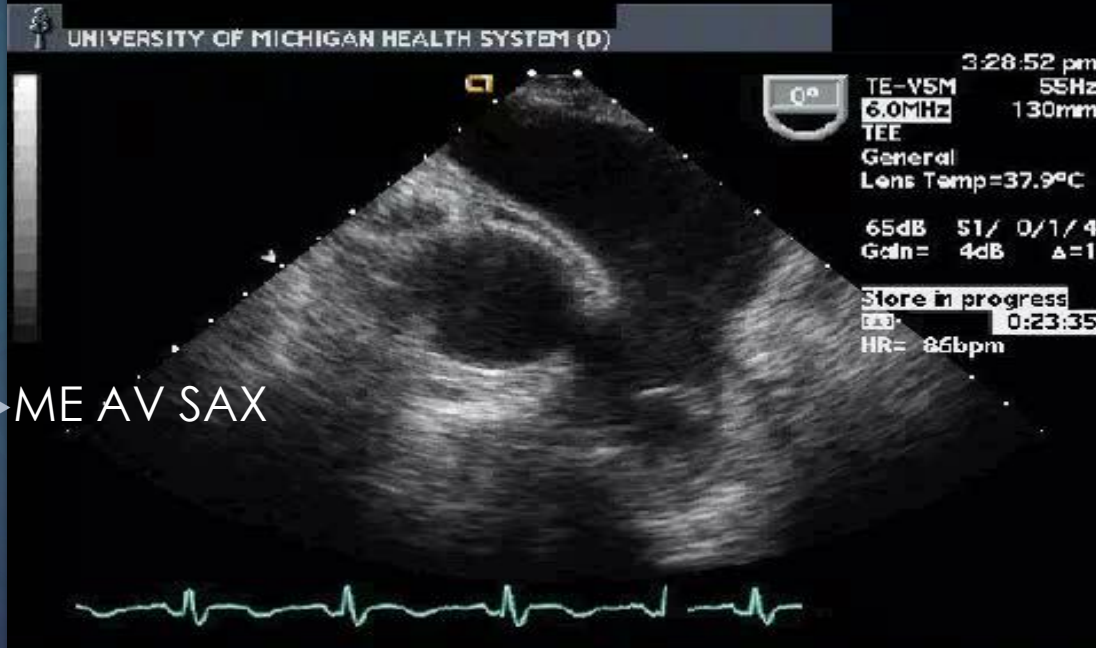
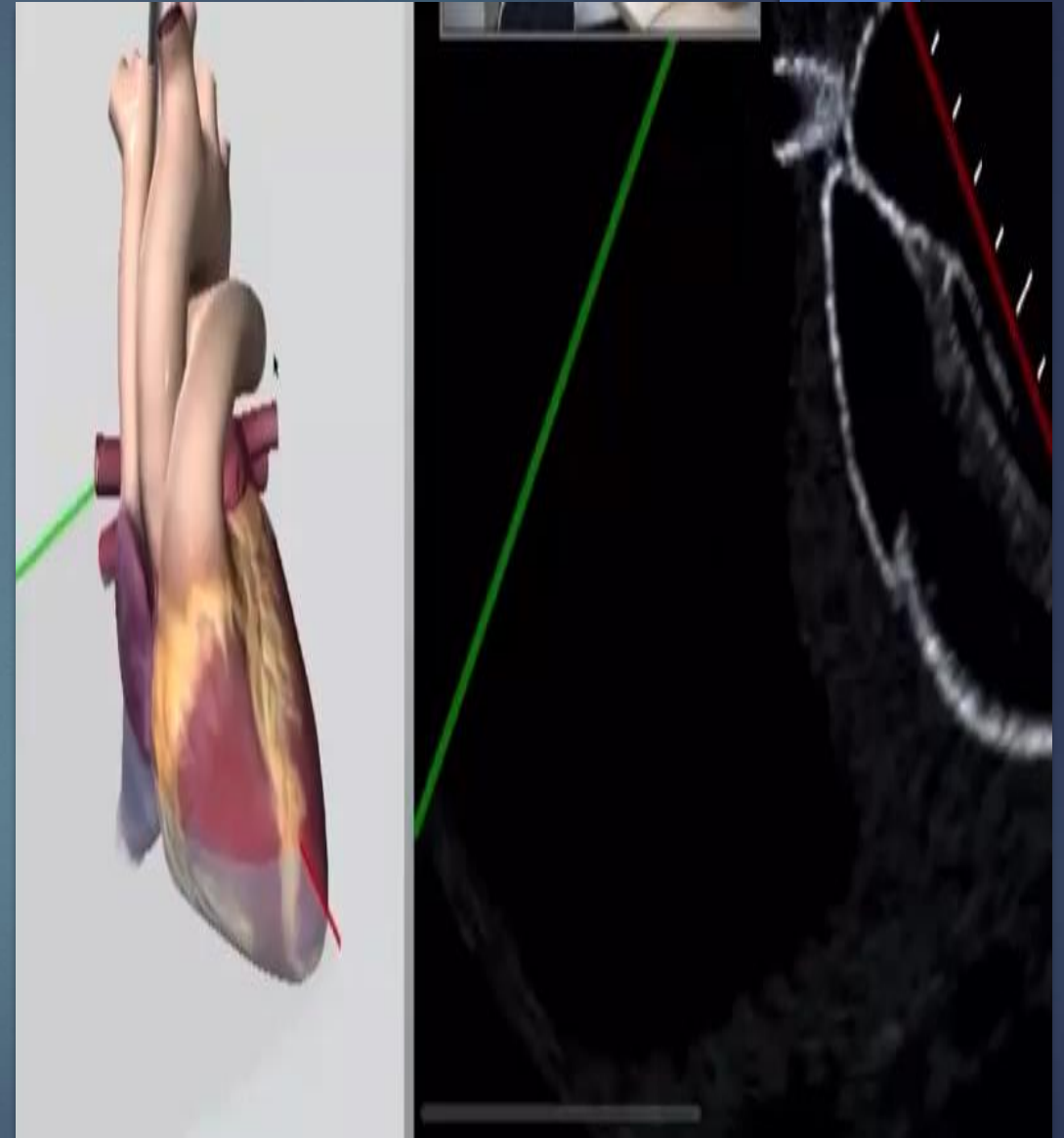
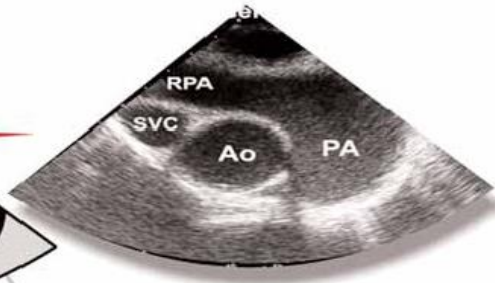




Mid esophageal  
ascending aortic  
short axis  
(30 - 40cm)



Multiplane  
angle range  
 $0^{\circ} - 60^{\circ}$

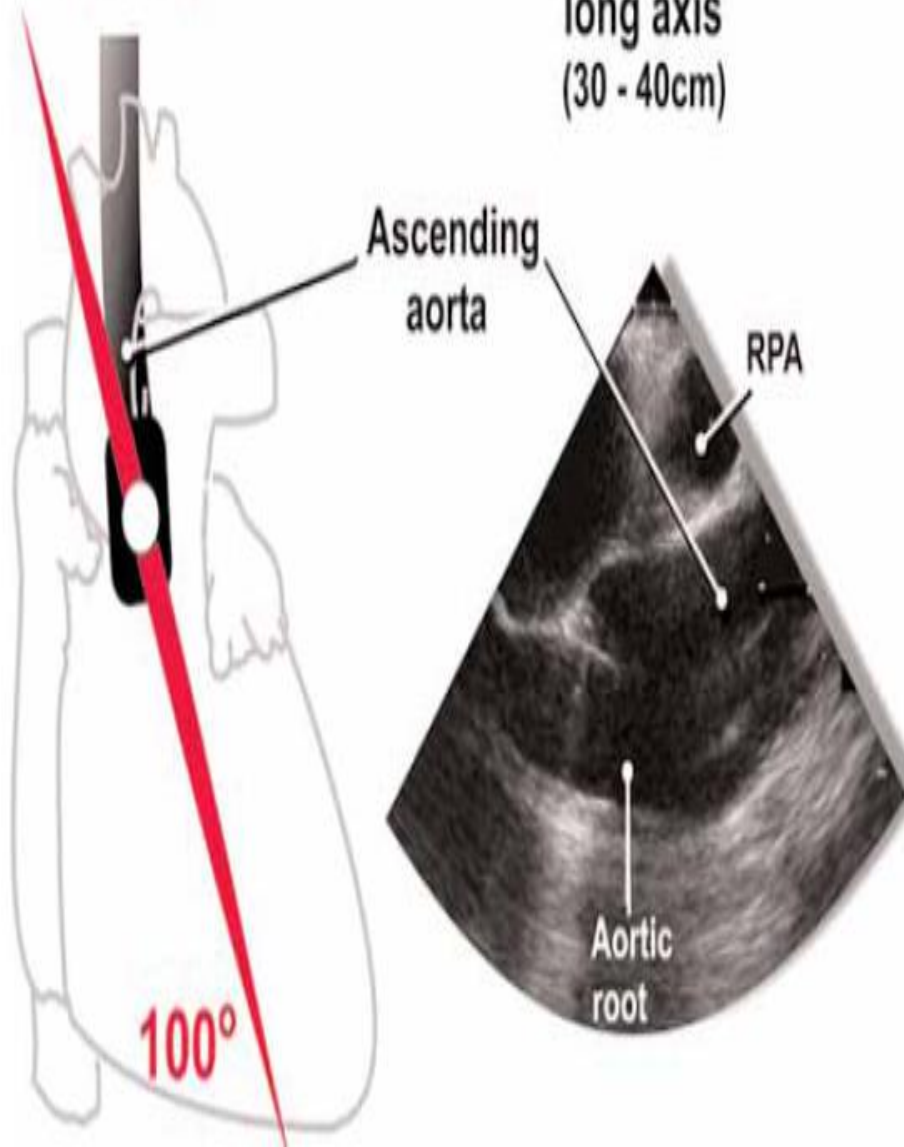




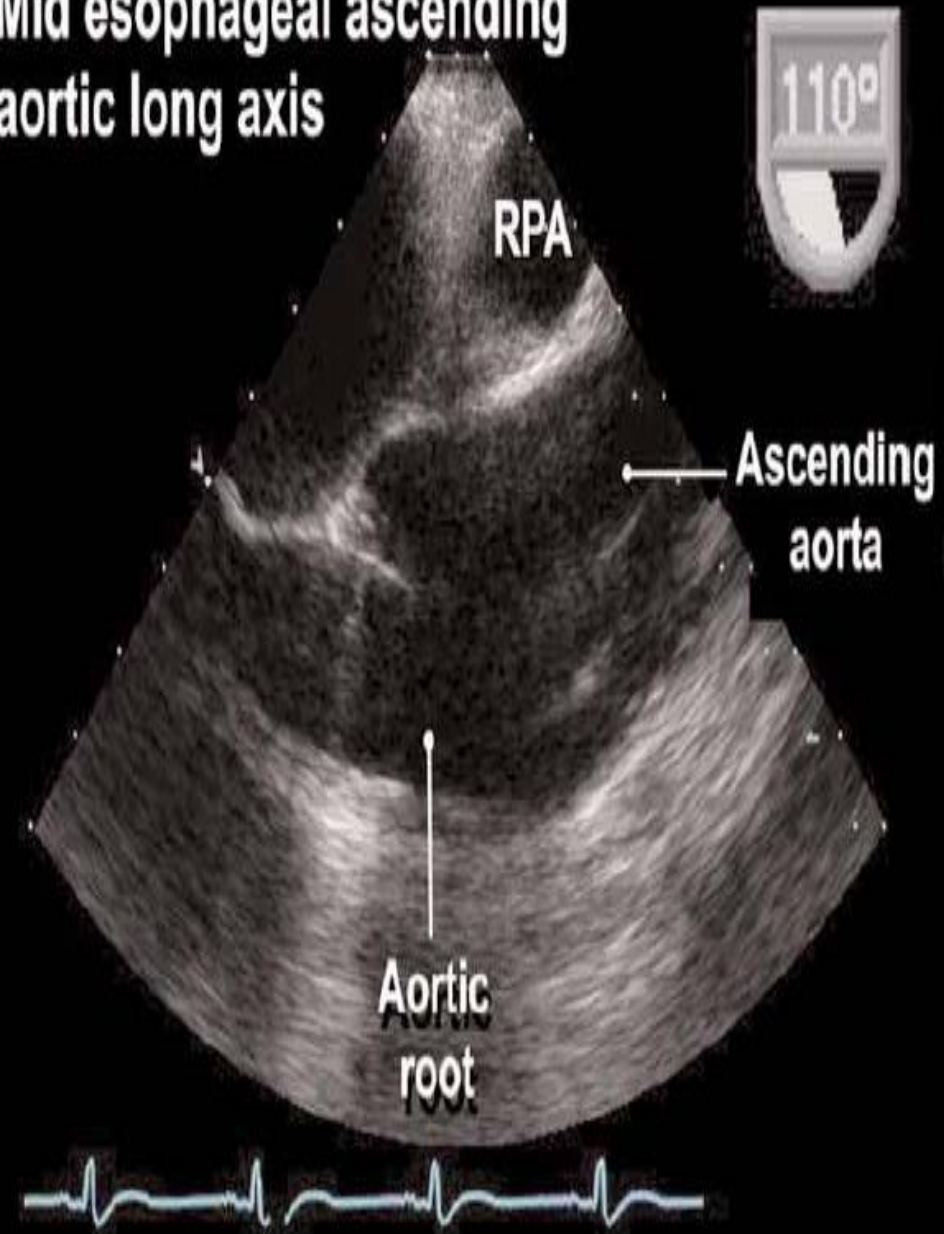


Multiplane  
angle range  
**100° - 150°**

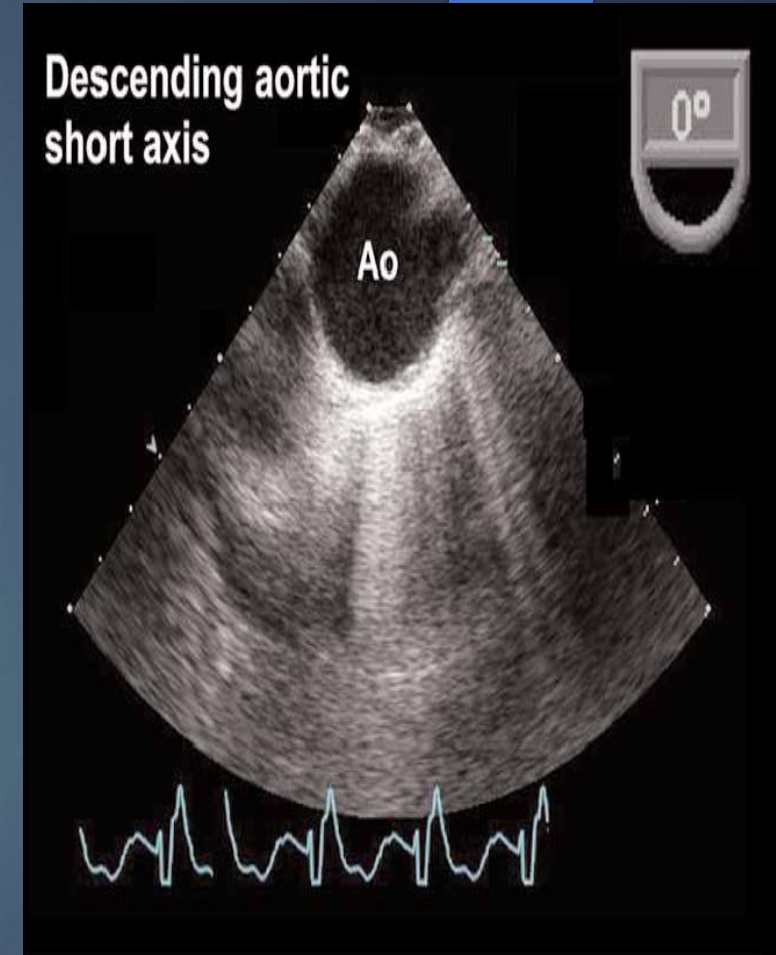
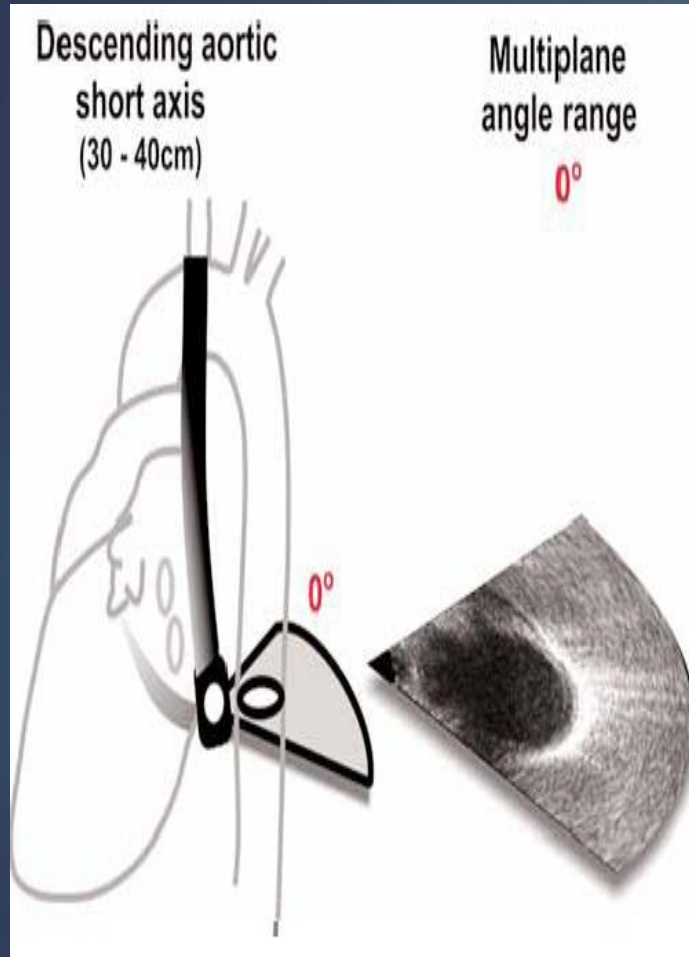
Mid esophageal  
ascending aortic  
long axis  
(30 - 40cm)



Mid esophageal ascending  
aortic long axis







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UM HOSPITAL (B)  
UM TEE

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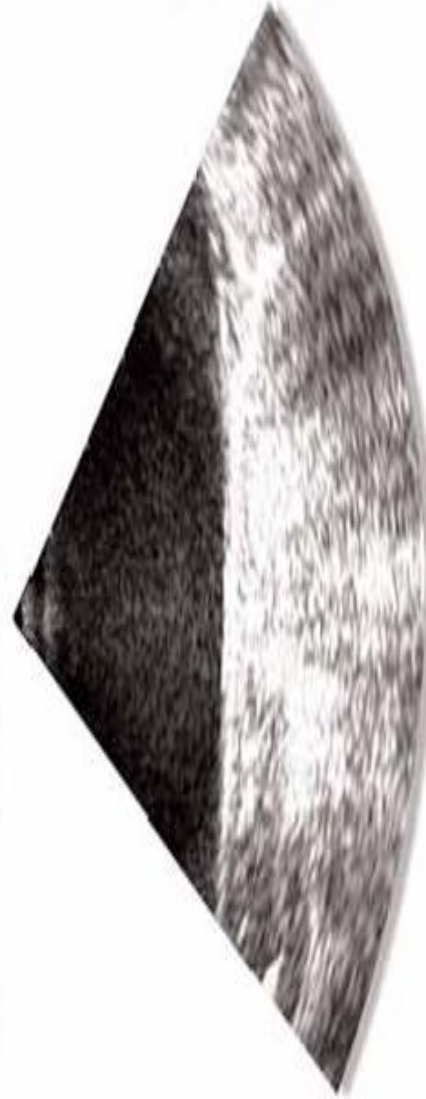
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Descending aortic  
long axis  
(30 - 40cm)



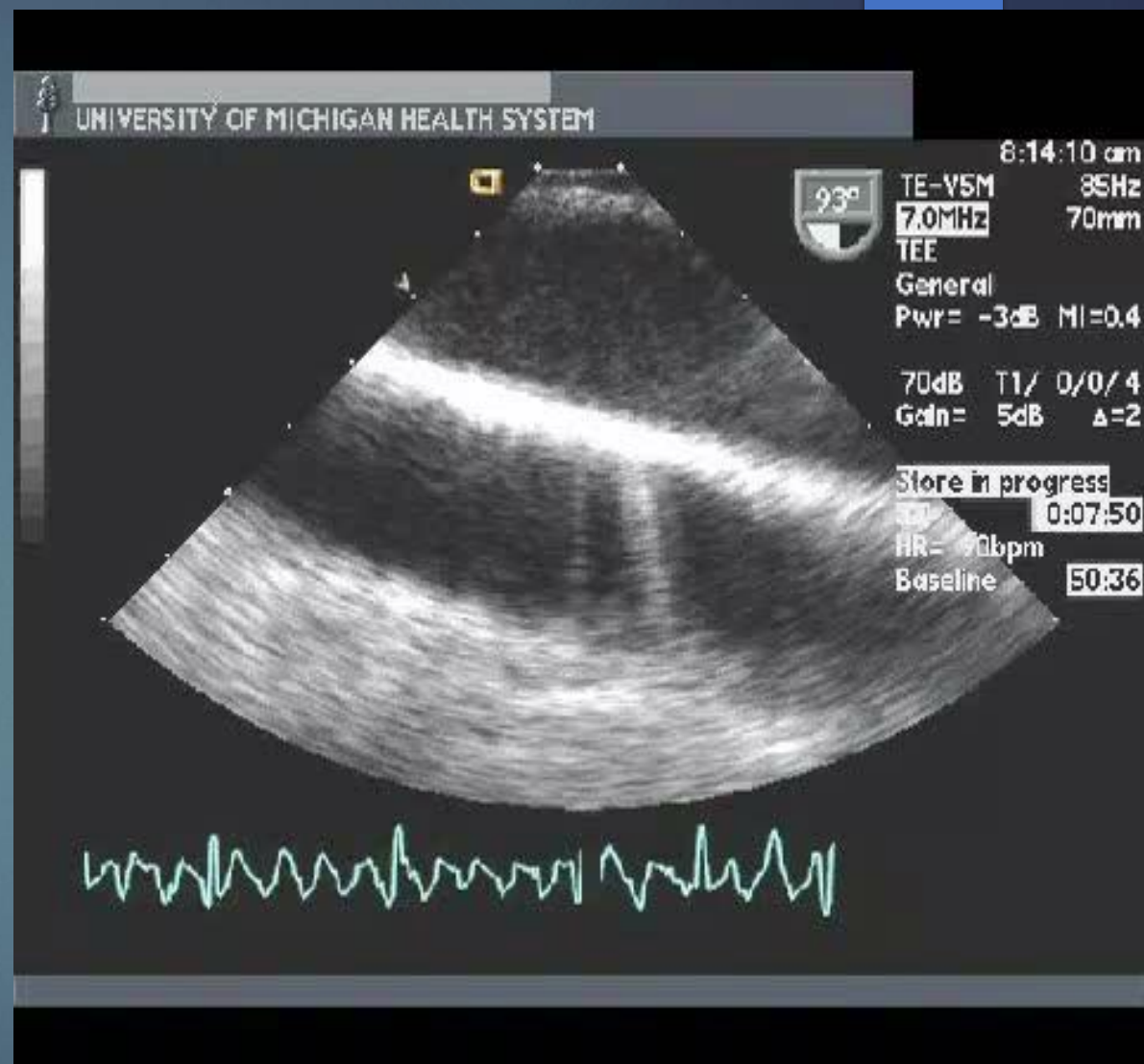
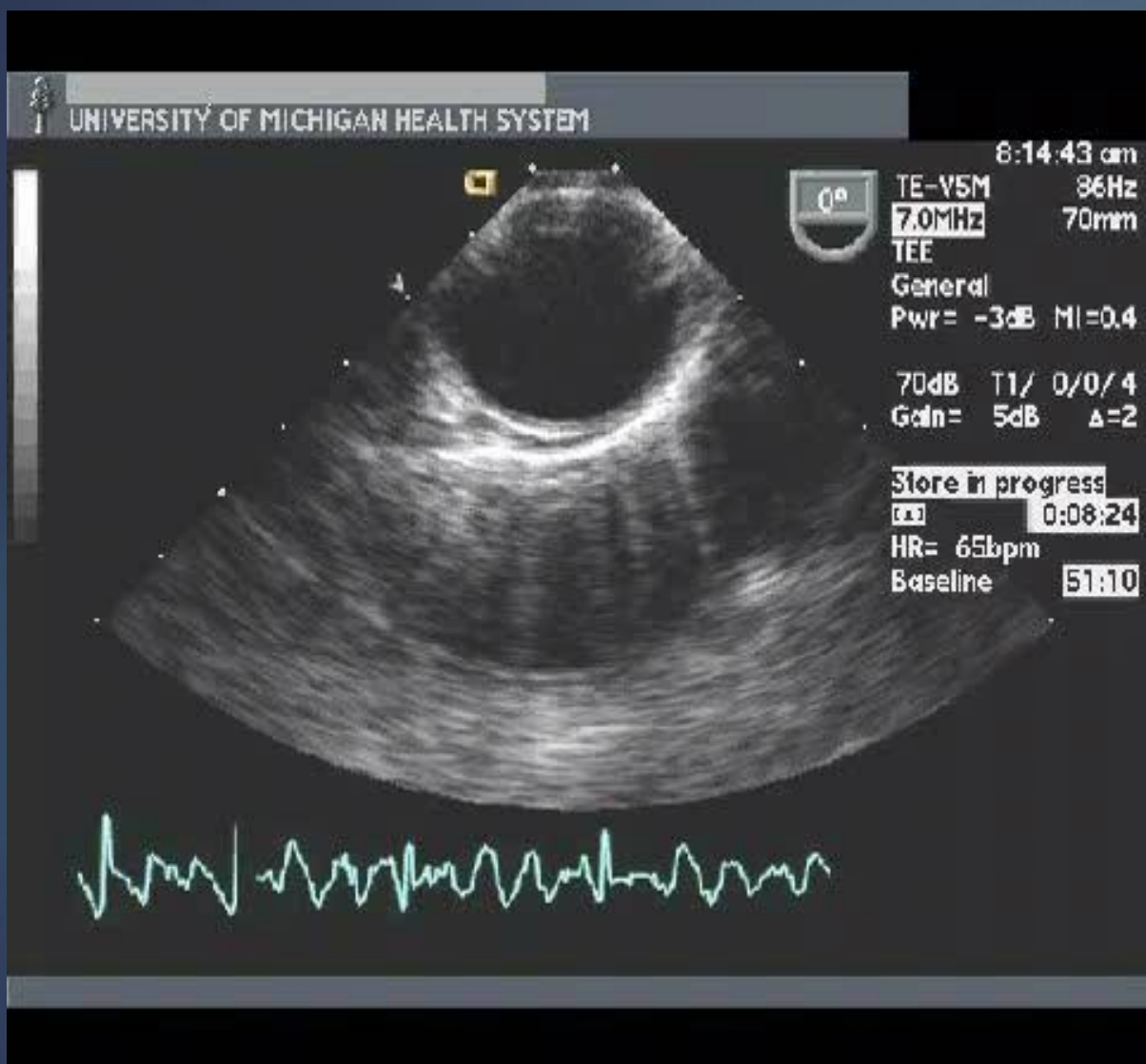
Multiplane  
angle range  
**90° - 110°**



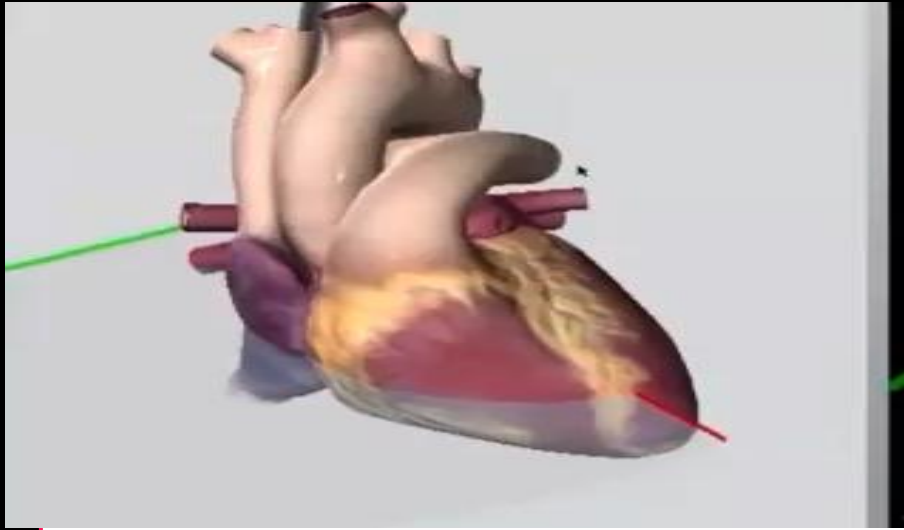
Descending  
aortic long-axis











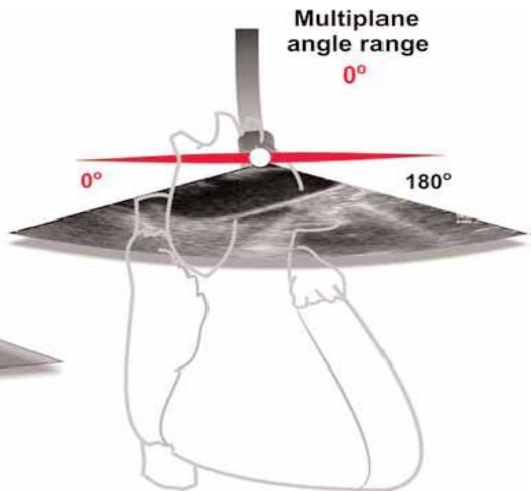
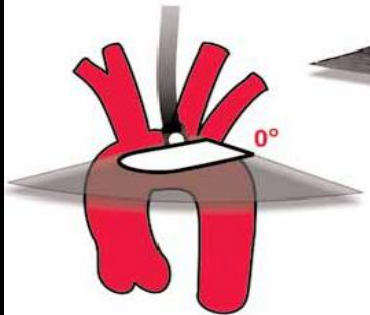
Upper esophageal  
aortic arch  
long axis



HR=



Upper esophageal  
ascending aortic  
long axis  
(20 - 25cm)



## Upper Esophageal Aortic Arch SAX View

### To Obtain the View

Find the ME descending Aorta SAX (0°) view

Withdraw the probe to obtain the UE Aortic Arch LAX (0°) view

Rotate the omniplane angle to 60-90°

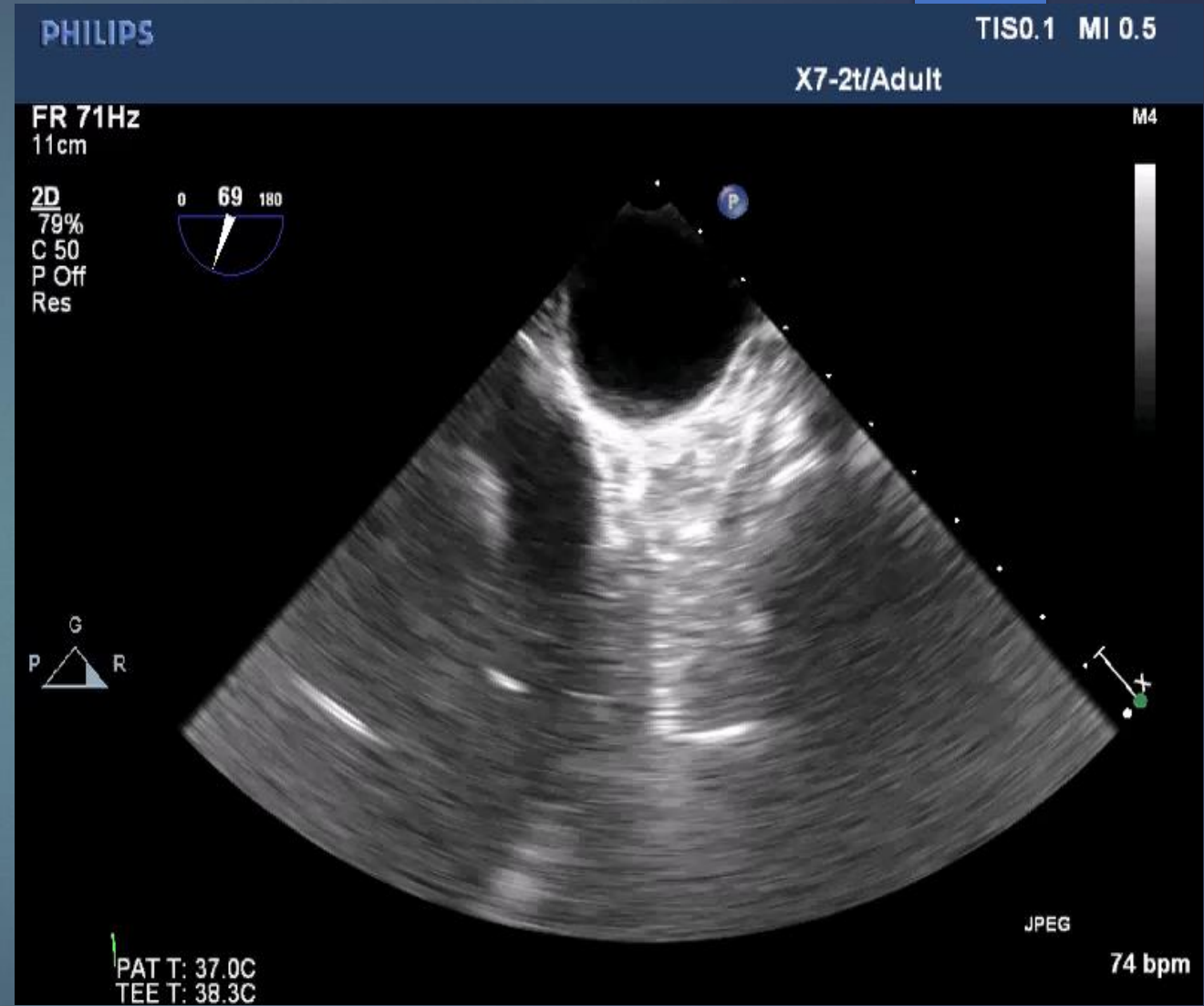
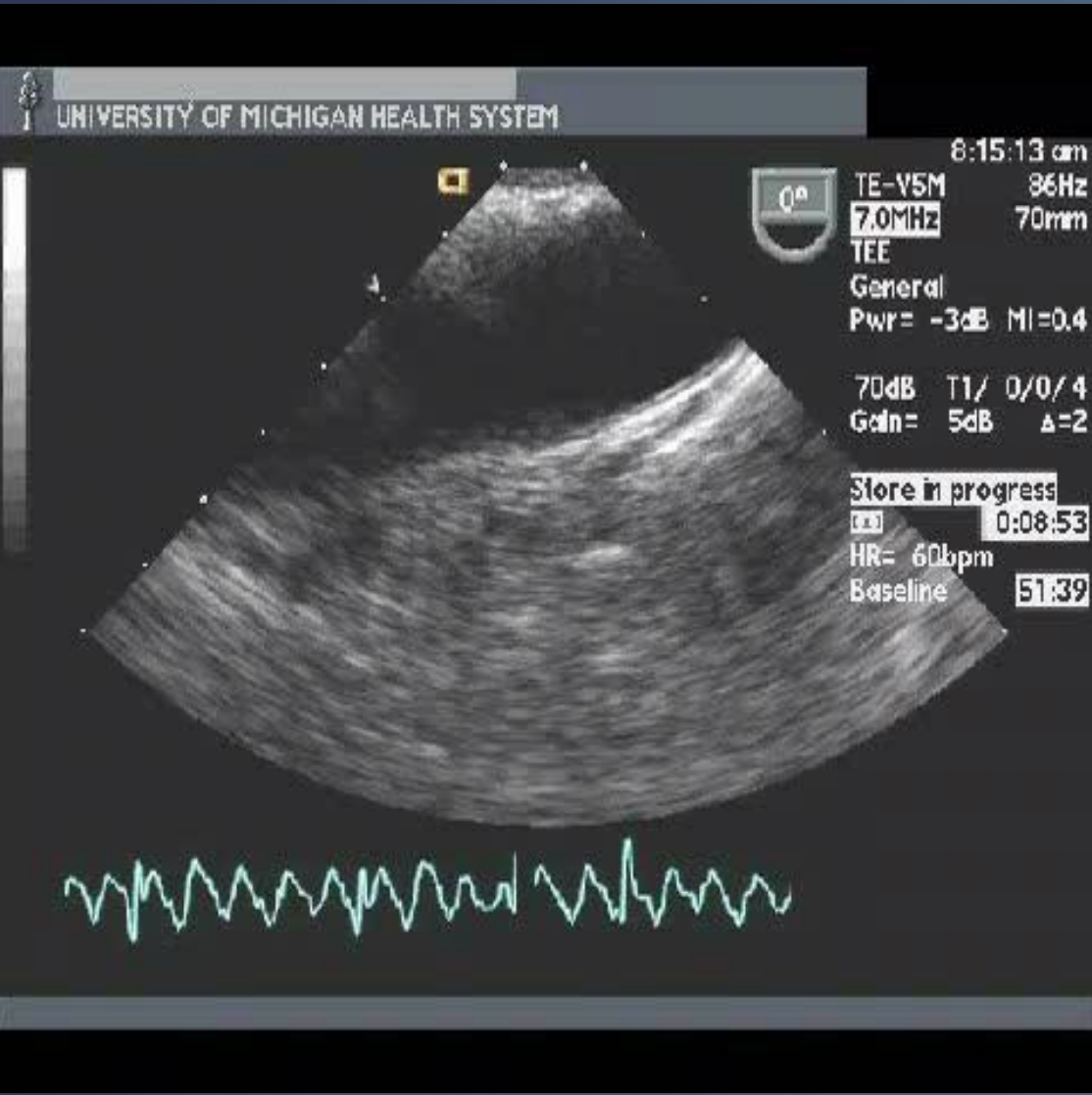
Bring the pulmonic valve and pulmonary artery in view

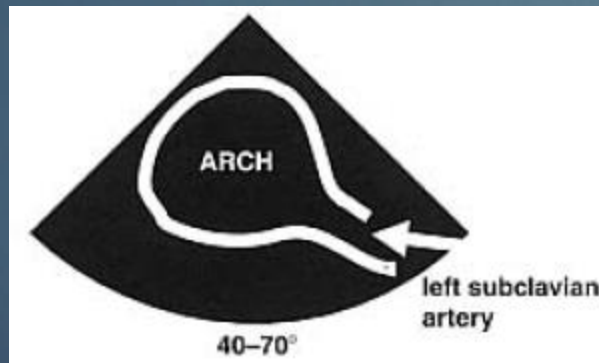
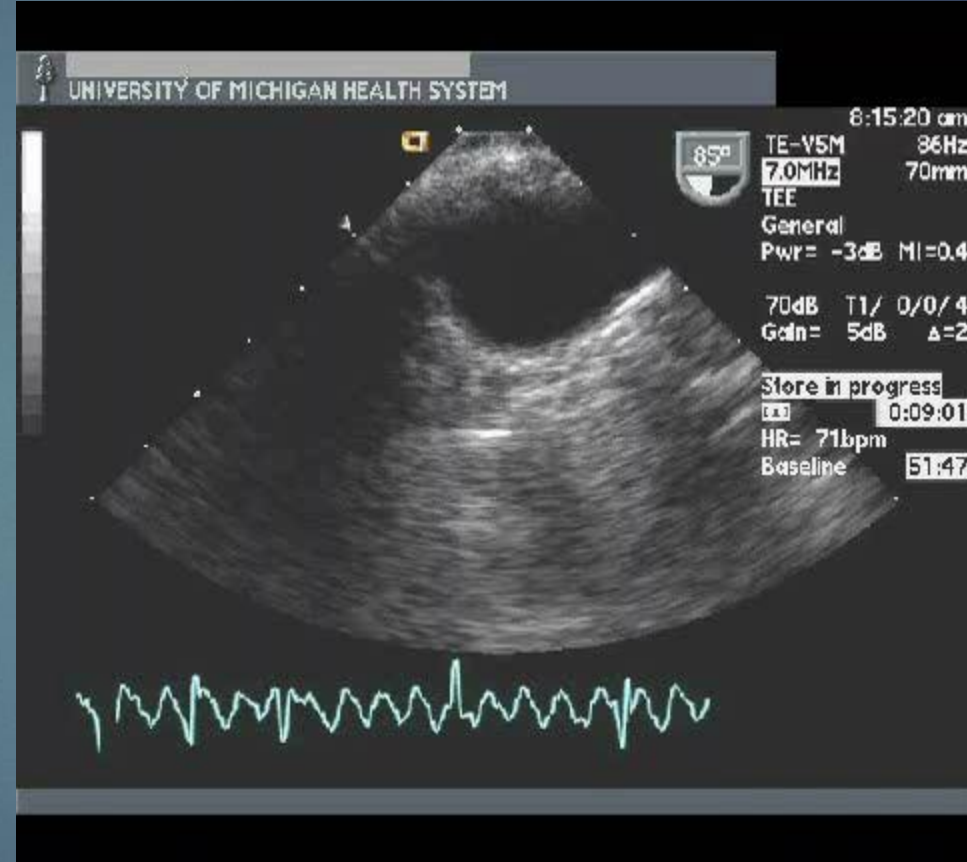
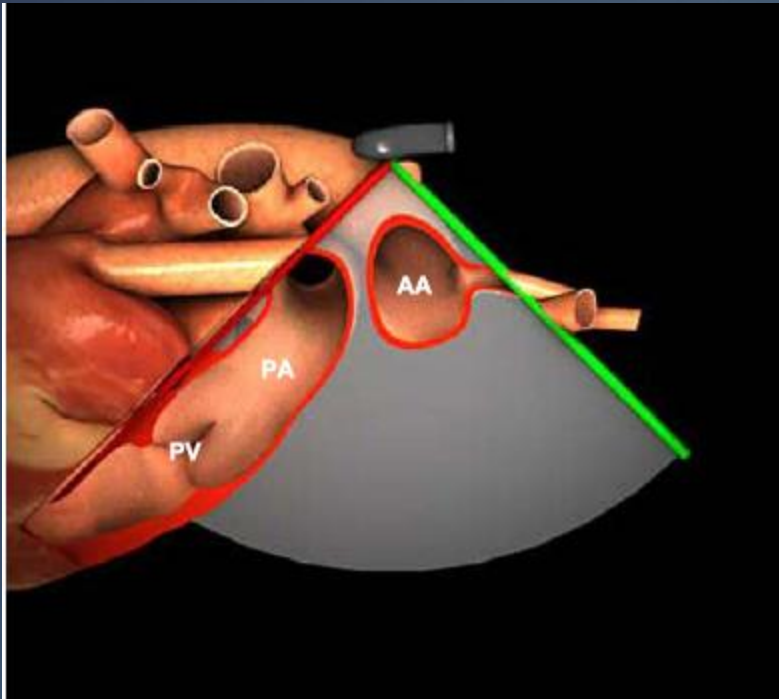
### Imaged structures and Diagnostic issues

Aortic Arch pathology

Pulmonic Valve disease.

Patent Ductus Arteriosus (PDA)







FR 50Hz  
14cm

2D  
70%  
C 50  
P Off  
Gen



M4

- 0

- 5

- 10

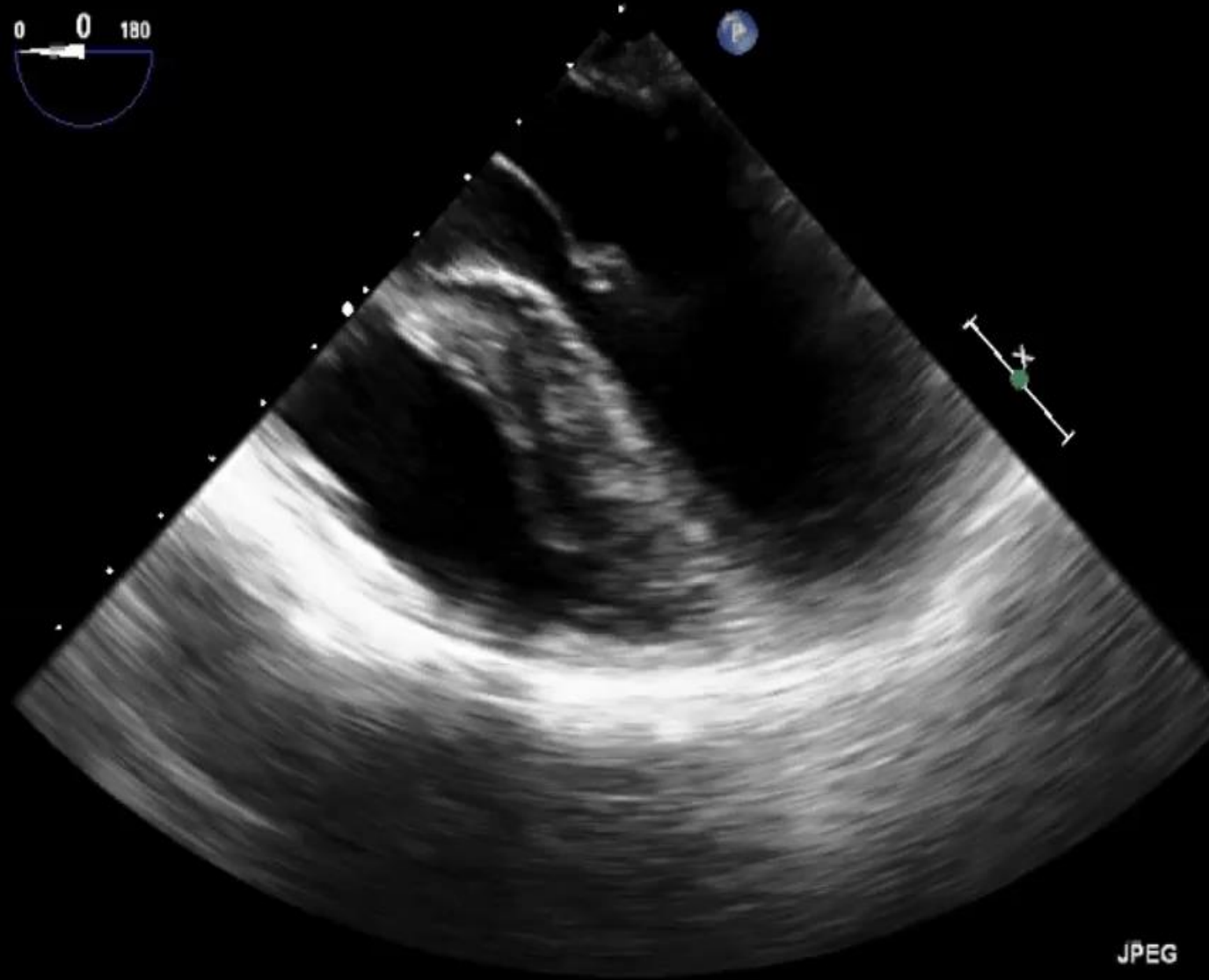
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TEE T: 38.8C

55 bpm

FR 50Hz  
12cm

2D  
73%  
C 50  
P Off  
Gen

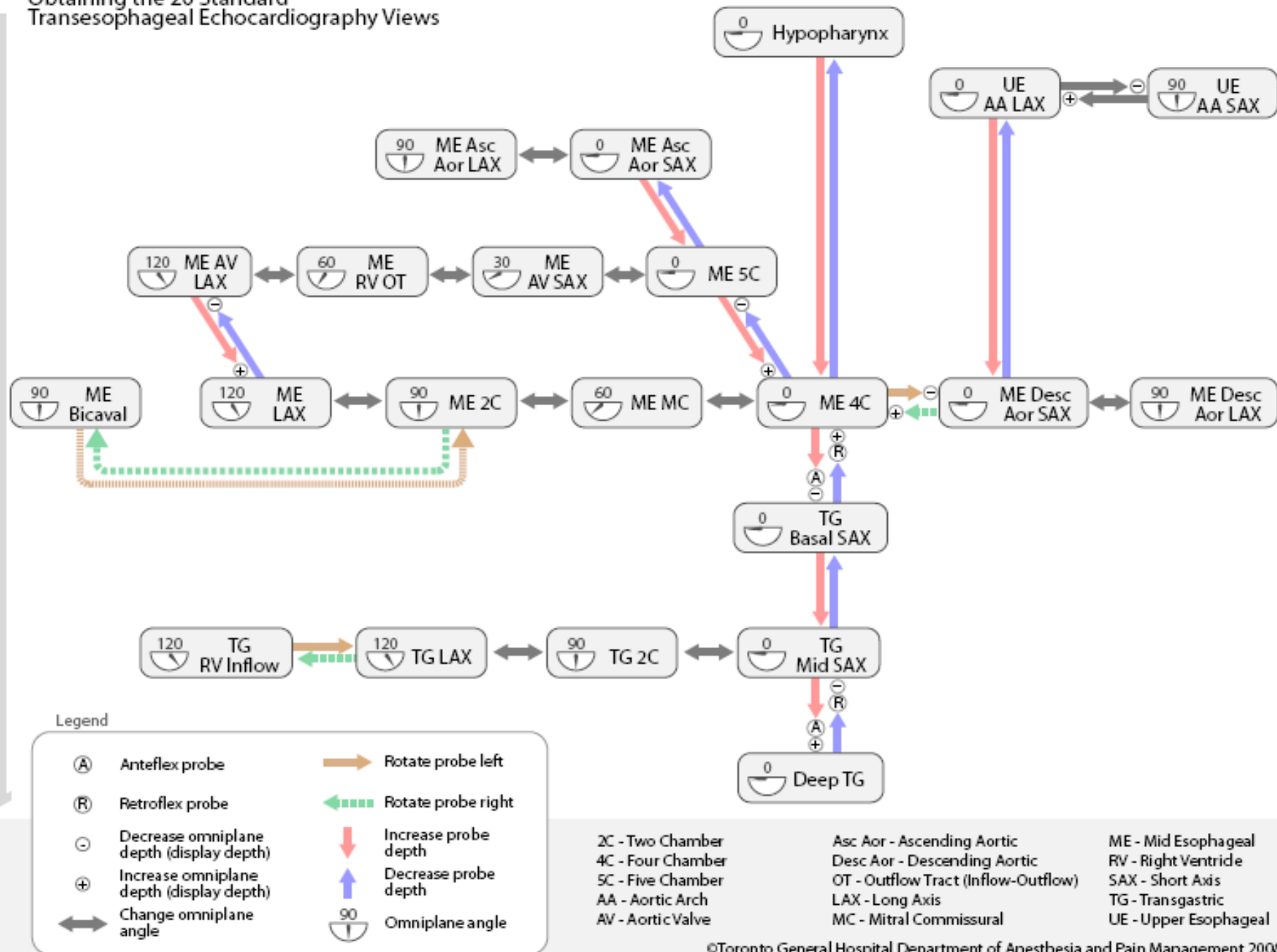


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# Obtaining the 20 Standard Transesophageal Echocardiography Views

Probe Depth



Five basic echocardiography comparison views		
TTE view	TEE view	2D anatomical structure evaluation
Parasternal LAX	ME LAX	LA, MV, LV, LVOT, AV
Parasternal basal, mid, apical SAX	TG basal, mid, apical SAX	RV, MV, LV
Parasternal SAX	ME RV IF OF	RA, TV, RV, PV, RVOT, AV
Apical 4C	ME 4C	RA, TV, RV, LA, MV, LV
Apical 2C	ME 2C	LA, LAA, MV, LV

2C = 2 chamber; 4C = 4 chamber; AV = aortic valve; LAX = long axis; LA = left atrium; LV = left ventricle; LVOT = left ventricular outflow tract; ME = midesophageal; PV = pulmonic valve; RA = right atrium; RV = right ventricle; RV IF OF = right ventricular inflow–outflow view; RVOT = right ventricular outflow tract; SAX = short axis.

Five Standard Transesophageal Echocardiography (TEE) Views with Corresponding Transthoracic Echocardiography (TTE) Views



