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Interactive session: what is your diagnosis?

A pitfall

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- 45 yo, Height: 1m75, Weight: 60kg -> BSA = 1.7m²
- No medical history
- No treatment
- No symptoms but diastolic murmur
- Very good condition, Hiking 10km at weekends
- Addressed for the reevaluation of a severe AR in order to perform cardiac surgery
- BP before TTE : 139/89 mmHg







● W:	
4 PPVGd	1.14 cm
Mas. VGd.ind.(ASE)	138.53 g/m2
h/r	0.34
3 VGd	5.86 cm
Vol. Téléd(Teich)	170.41 ml
2 SIVd	0.84 cm
1 VDd Diam	2.16 cm

LVEDD = 59mm













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LVEF = 43% LVEDV = 168ml 99ml/m²





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B. Aortic root or tubular ascending aortic aneurysm ^d (irrespective of the severity of aortic regurgitation)		
Aortic valve repair, using the reimplantation or remodel- ling with aortic annuloplasty technique, is recommended in young patients with aortic root dilation and tricuspid aortic valves, when performed by experienced surgeons.	I	с
Surgery is indicated in patients with Marfan syndrome who have aortic root disease with a maximal ascending aortic diameter \geq 50 mm.	I	с
Surgery should be considered in patients who have aortic	lla	С
 ≥45 mm in the presence of Marfan syndrome and additional risk factors^e or patients with a TGFBR1 or TGFBR2 mutation (including Loeys–Dietz syndrome).^f 	lla	с
● ≥50 mm in the presence of a bicuspid valve with additional risk factors ^e or coarctation.	lla	с
• \geq 55 mm for all other patients.	lla	С
When surgery is primarily indicated for the aortic valve, replacement of the aortic root or tubular ascending aorta should be considered when \geq 45 mm, particularly in the presence of a bicuspid valve. ^g	lla	с

Baumgartner et al. European Heart Journal (2017) 38, 2739–2791











Indications for surgery	Class ^a	Level ^b	
A. Severe aortic regurgitation			
Surgery is indicated in symptomatic patients. ^{57,58,66,67}	I	В	
Surgery is indicated in asymptomatic patients with resting LVEF \leq 50%. ^{57,58}	I	В	
Surgery is indicated in patients undergoing CABG or sur- gery of the ascending aorta or of another valve.	I	с	
Heart Team discussion is recommended in selected patients ^c in whom aortic valve repair may be a feasible alternative to valve replacement.	I	с	
Surgery should be considered in asymptomatic patients with resting ejection fraction >50% with severe LV dilata- tion: LVEDD >70 mm or LVESD >50 mm (or LVESD >25 mm/m ² BSA in patients with small body size). ^{58,66}	lla	В	

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	Aortic regurgitation		
Qualitative			
Valve morphology	Abnormal/flail/large coaptation defect		
Colour flow regurgitant jet	Large in central jets, variable in eccentric jetsª		
CW signal of regurgitant jet	Dense		
Other	Holodiastolic flow reversal in descending aorta (EDV >20 cm/s)		
Semiquantitative			
Vena contracta width (mm)	>6		
Upstream vein flow ^c	-		
Inflow	-		
Other	Pressure half-time <200 ms ^f		
Quantitative			
EROA (mm²)	≥30		
Regurgitant volume (mL/beat)	≥60		
+ enlargement of cardiac chambers/vessels	LV		

Lancellotti et al. European Journal of Echocardiography (2010) 11, 307–332



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VC (mm)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	PPV (%)	NPV (%)
3	100	13	47	100
4	51	52	52	54
5	93	61	65	92
6*	81	83	78	85
7	51	96	90	72
8	23	99	94	63
9	8	100	100	59

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Quantification predicts outcomes ...



Detaint et al. JACC Img 2008



In Physiology ... all stroke volumes are equal

In patient with isolated AR ...

Ao Stroke Volume = LV Stroke Volume = Systemic Stroke Volume + Regurgitant Volume







Enriquez-Sarano et al. Circulation 1993. Tribouilloy et al. JACC 1998 Messika-Zeitoun et al. JASE 2011. Detaint et al. JACC Img 2008











AR volume = LVOT SV – Systemic SV = 66 – 42 = 24 ml





A reference method ... but not feasible or inaccurate in ~30 %

- 1- Multiple jets, non circular orifice
- 2- Non planar geometry: 10% of AR, aortic dilation
- 3- Very eccentric jet => misalignement of Reg Flow 80% of Bicuspide valve ... Bicuspide valve is frequent (20% of native AR)
- 4- Non visualisation of AR flow convergence: common because of thickened/calcified valve shadow from 10% (Tribouilloy et al. JACC 1998.) Up to 74% ! (Yamachika et al. JASE 1997) and even 94% in mild AR (Yamachika et al. JASE 1997)
- 5- Atrial Fibrillation

Cohen et al. JASE 1996. Evangelista et al. Am Heart J 2000. Detaint et al. JACC Img 2008. Jung et al. EHJ 2003.







 $EROA = Reg Flow / PkV_{Reg}$





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Quantification by flow convergence method



















Courtesy of Dr Pontana, Service d'Imagerie Cardiaque. Lille University Hospital. France





Date de l'examen	21/11/2017	Venc:	500 cm/s
Taille du patient	170 cm	Background Phase Adjustment	Non
Poids du patient	60 kg	Range:	0 to 1154.2 ms
Surface corporelle	1.695 m2		
Flow Quantification		Region: ssAo	
Flux		Vitesse et pression	
Flux moyen hors limit	es 62.498 ml/s	Vitesse moyenne	7.991 cm/s
Volume antérograde		93.553 ml	9.951 cm/s
Volume rétrograde		21.418 ml	7.6 ms 732 cm/s 9 ms
Volume net antérograde		72.135 ml	.992 mmHg
Fraction de régurgitation		22.894 %	'5 cm2 i13 cm2
-			62 cm2

Aortic Anterograde flow flow

Aortic Regurgitation



SSFP Cine MRI for ventricular volumetric SV



Myerson et al. J Card Magn Res. 2012. Sechtem et al. Radiology. 1987



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Volume	Flow convergence	MRI
24	27	21



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AR and LV enlargement







- No coronary artery disease
- Optimized medical treatment including CRT



• Follow-up. Asymptomatic



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