Imaging in TAVI

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Case example:

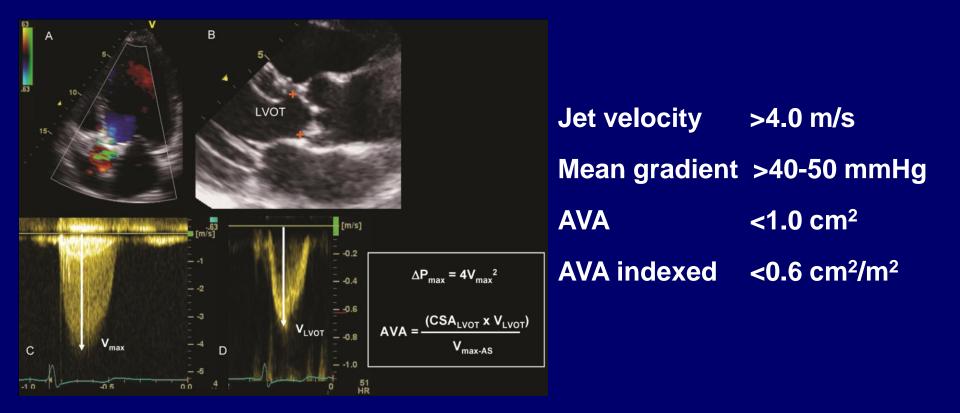
- 87 year-old male
 - Ischemic cardiomyopathy (LVEF 30%). CABG.
 - Diabetes, hypercholesterolemia, hypertension
 - Peripheral vascular disease
 - COPD, GFR 48 ml/min
- Severe aortic stenosis
 - Dyspnoea NYHA III/IV, angina CCS 3.
- LogEUROSCORE 22%





- 1. Confirmation of aortic stenosis severity
- 2. Procedural feasibility:
 - Aortic valve and aortic root anatomy and dimensions
 - Peripheral artery anatomy
- 3. Exclusion of contraindications
- 4. Procedural approach selection
 - Transfemoral
 - Transapical

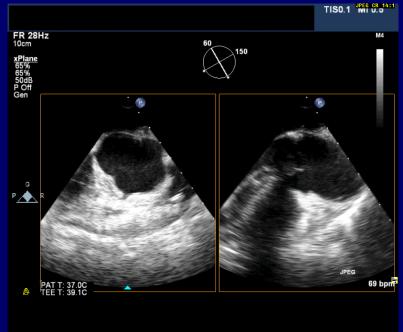
Confirmation of aortic stenosis severity



Baumgartner et al. European Journal of Echocardiography (2009) 10, 1–25

Feasibility: Aortic valve anatomy





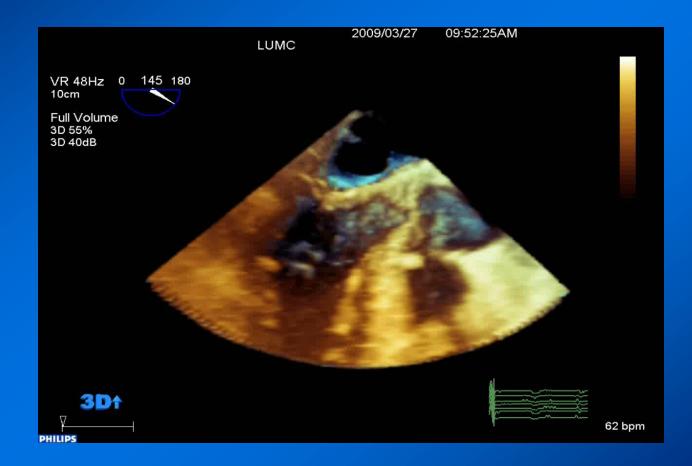
Tricuspid

Bicuspid

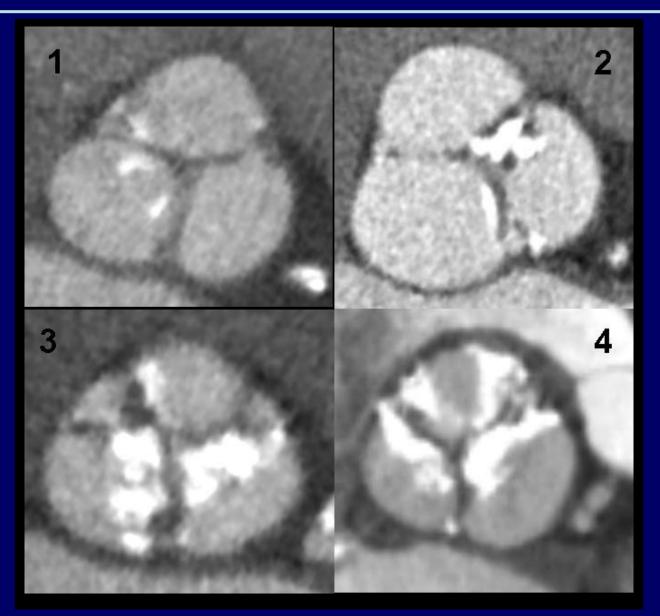
Feasibility: Aortic valve anatomy



LU Feasibility: Aortic valve anatomyMC

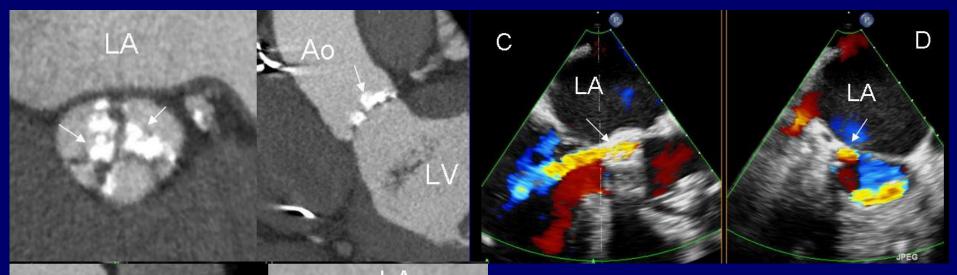


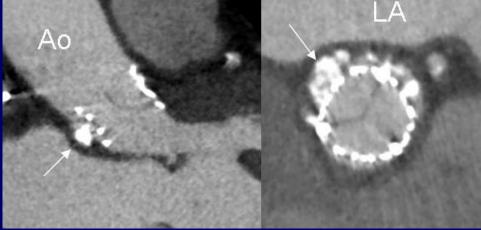
Feasibility: Aortic valve calcifications



Quantification of calcium score

Feasibility: Aortic valve calcifications

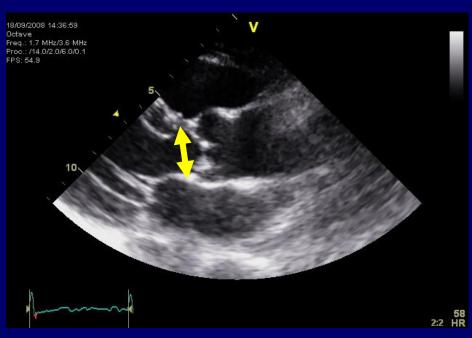




Schultz et al. J Am Coll Cardiol 2009 Delgado et al. Eur Heart J 2010 John et al. J Am Coll Cardiol Intervent 2010

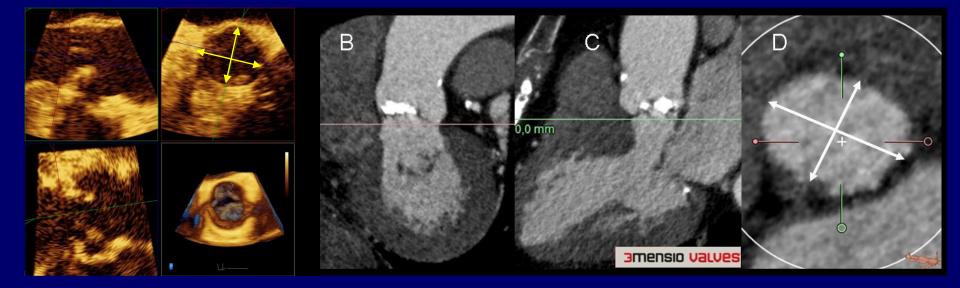
Feasibility: Aortic valve annular size







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3-D imaging

Ng et al. Circ Cardiovasc Imaging 2010 Tops et al. J Am Coll Cardiol Imaging 2008 Messika-Zeitoun et al. J Am Coll Cardiol 2010

Anatomical requirements THV



Edwards SAPIEN XT

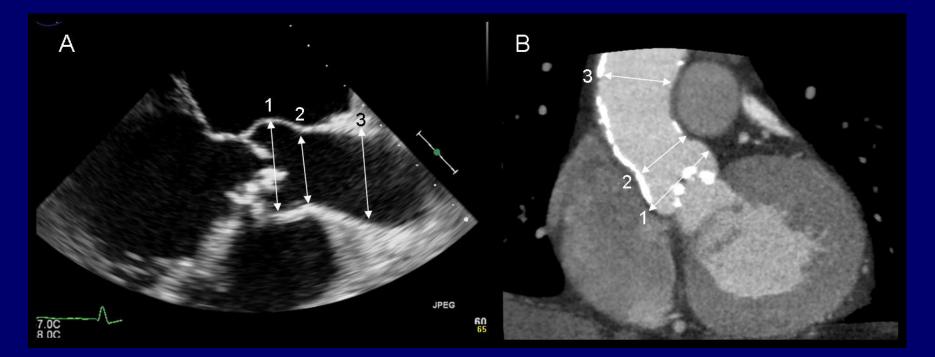
23-mm	18-22 mm
26-mm	22-25 mm
29-mm	25-28 mm



Medtronic CoreValve

26-mm	20-23 mm
29-mm	23-27 mm

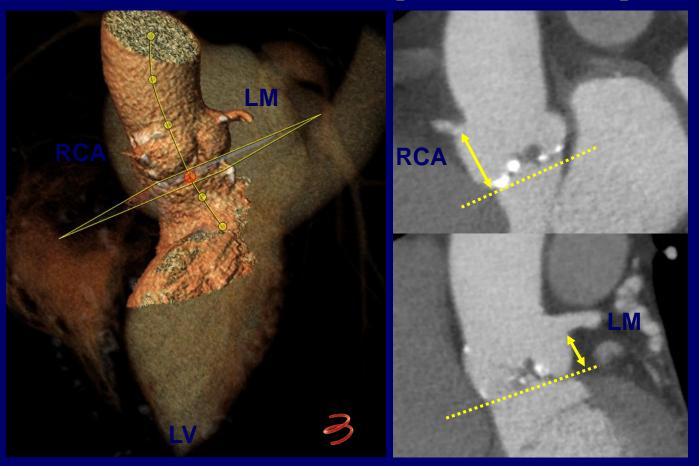
Feasibility: Aortic root dimensions



1.- Annulus
 2.- Sinus of Valsalva
 3.- Sino-tubular junction
 4.- Ascending aorta

>28 mm?
≥27 mm
≤43 mm
<45 mm</p>
Vahanian et al. Eur Heart J 2008

Feasibility: Coronary ostia



Distance relative to the annular plane ≥10-11 mm

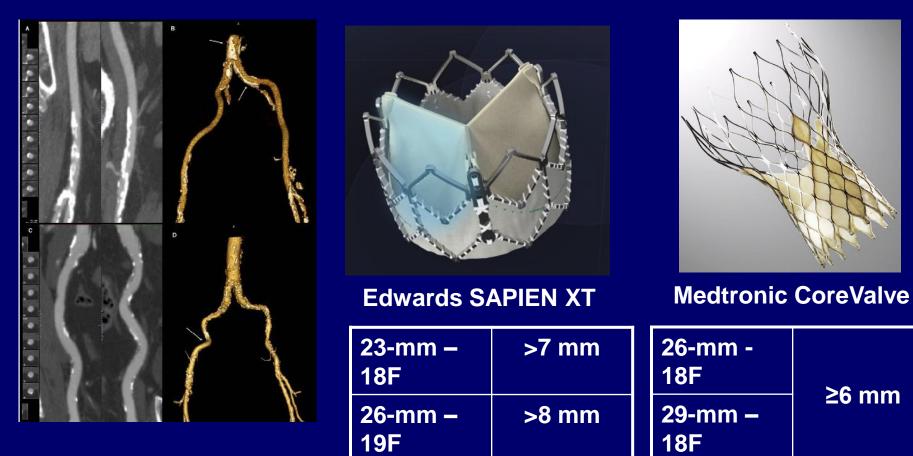
Tops et al. J Am Coll Cardiol Imaging 2008

Feasibility: Peripheral arteries and aorta

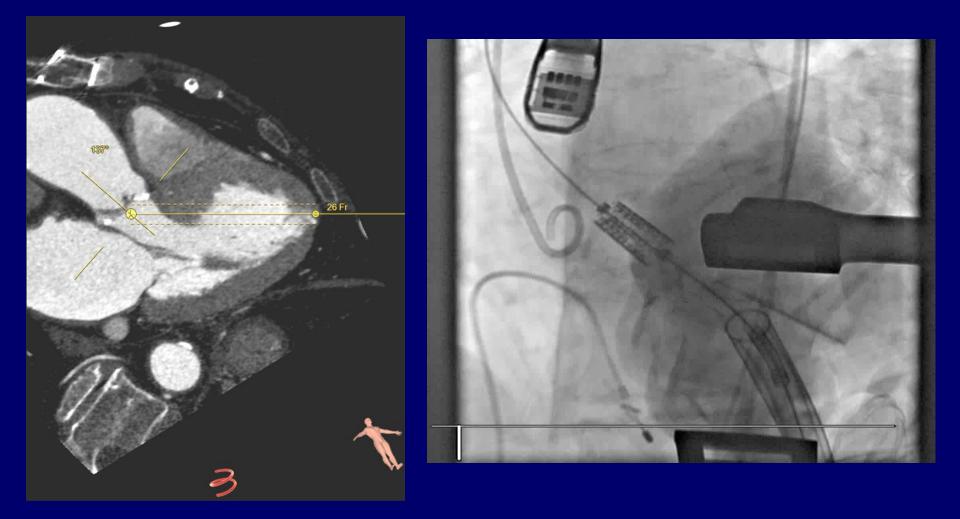


Joshi et al. J Am Coll Cardiol Intervent. 2009

Anatomical requirements THV



Feasibility: Left ventricular geometry



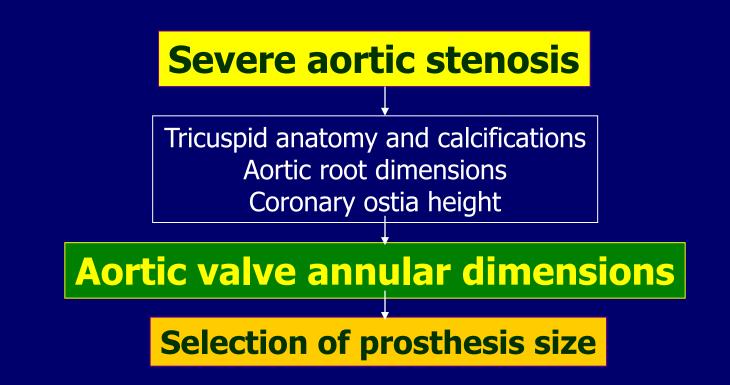
Exclusion of contraindications

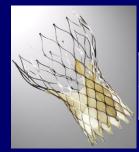
1. Significant coronary artery stenosis



2. LV thrombus

Procedural planning: check list



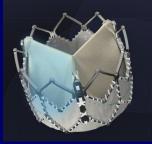


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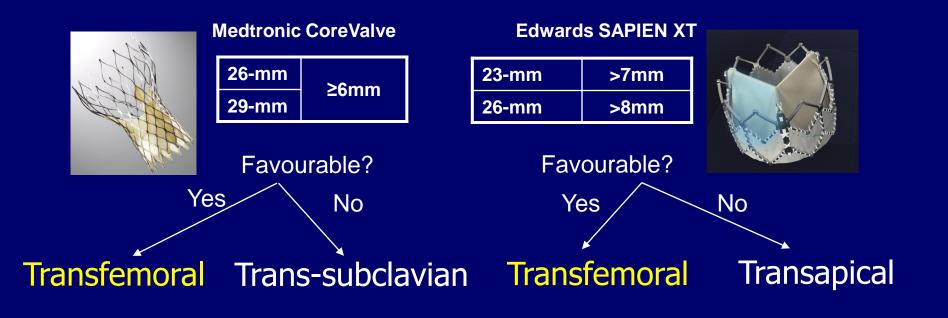
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Procedural planning: check list

Procedural approach

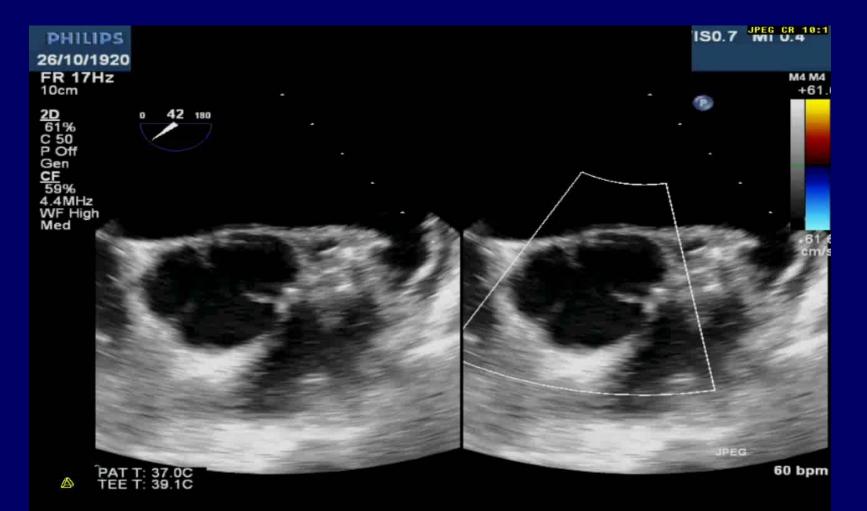
Peripheral vascular access



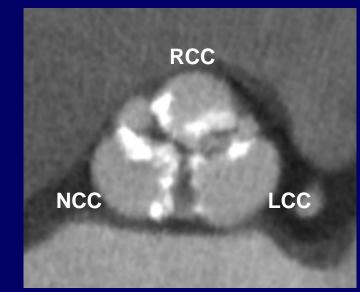
Case 1

- 85 year-old man
- CV risk factors: Hypertension, hypercholesterolemia
- Comorbidities: COPD, prior myocardial infarction
- LogEuroscore: 23.4%
- Severe AS: Max/Mean gradient 96 / 50 mmHg, AVA 0.8 cm²
- Symptoms: Dyspnea NYHA III-IV

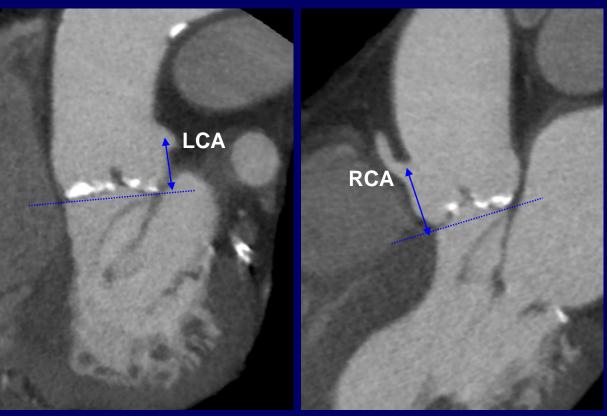
Confirmation of aortic stenosis severity



- MSCT:
 - Morphology of the aortic valve
 - Tricuspid/Bicuspid
 - Calcifications
 - Annulus sizing
 - Distance from the coronary ostia to the annulus plane





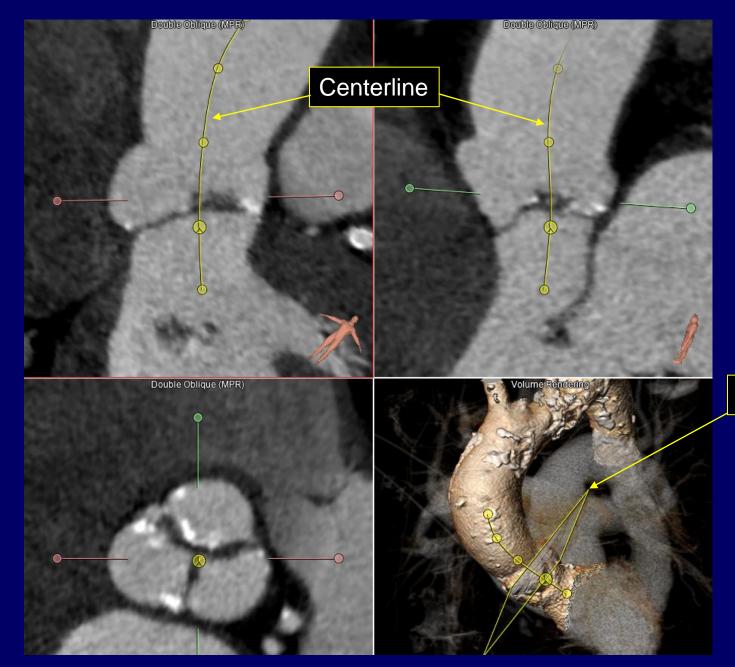


• MSCT:

Semiautomatic approach

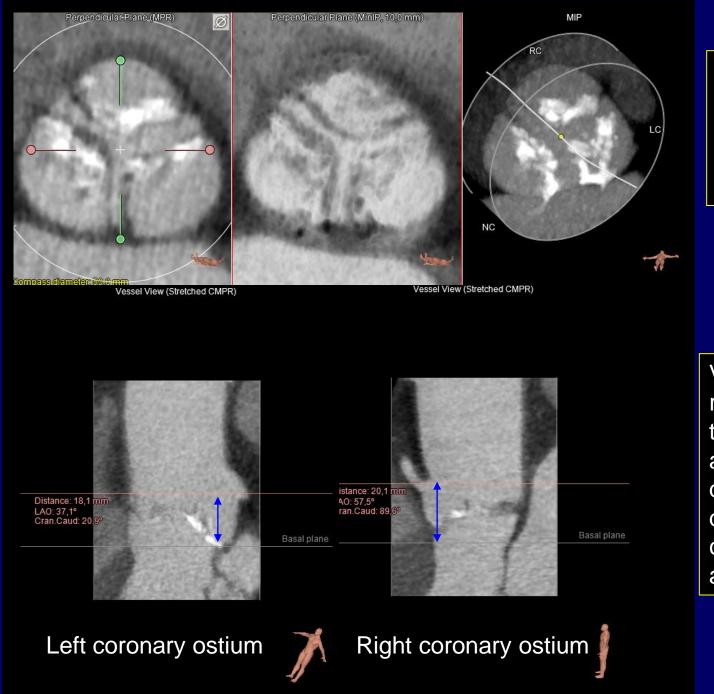
- 1. Centerline across the aortic valve and aorta
 - Annulus sizing
 - Distance from the coronary ostia to the annular plane





Annular plane

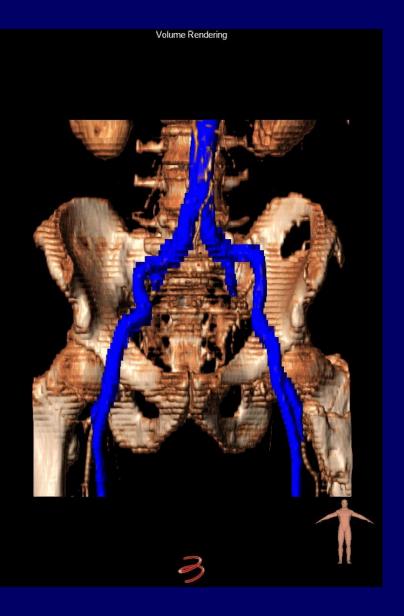
The annular plane displays a cross sectional view along the centerline.



MIP view of the aortic valve to assess calcifications

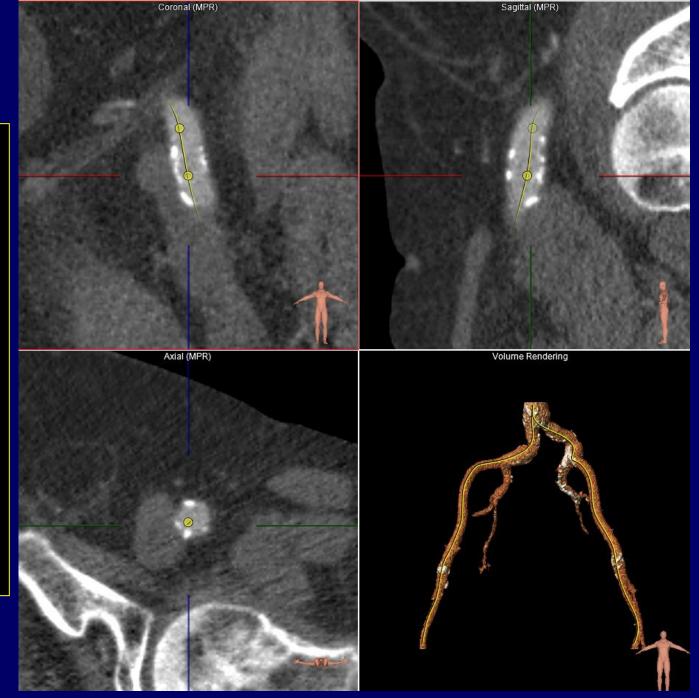
Vessel reconstructions along the centerline to assess aortic root diameters and distance between the coronary ostia and the annular plane • MSCT:

- 2. Evaluation of peripheral arteries (transfemoral approach)
 - Calcifications and tortuosity



The centerline is placed automatically across the peripheral arteries.

The coronal, sagittal and axial views of the peripheral arteries permit the alignment of the centerline along the entire vessel.

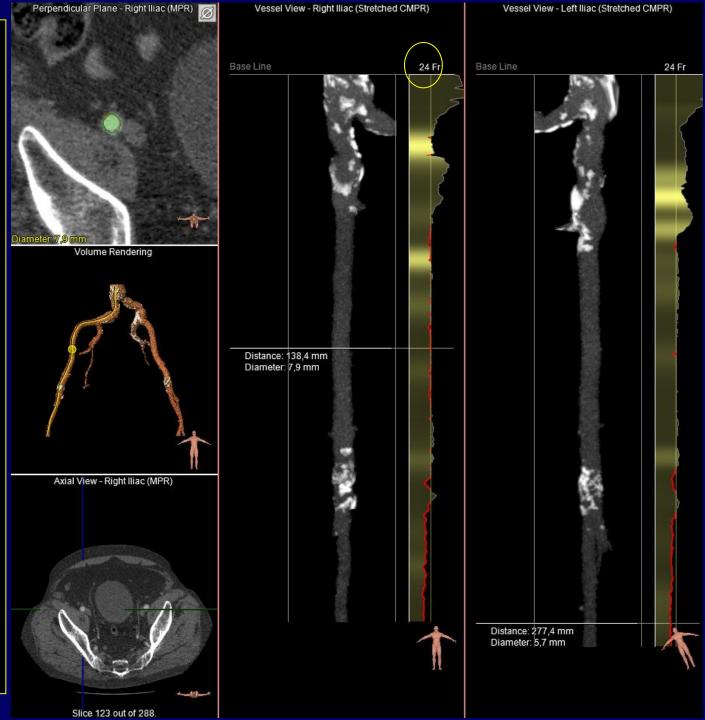


The software displays the vessel view of the arteries.

The internal diameter of the artery is measured and compared to the size of the delivery system.

A dimension smaller than the delivery system is coded in red surface.

The tortuosity is color-coded in yellow shades. The brighter yellow, the more tortuous.



• MSCT:

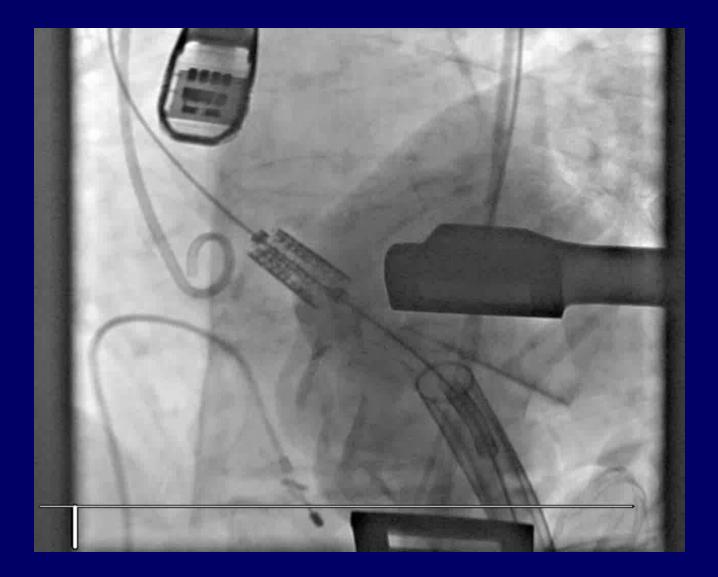
- 3. Transapical approach:
 - Evaluation of the LV apex
 - LV sigmoid septum



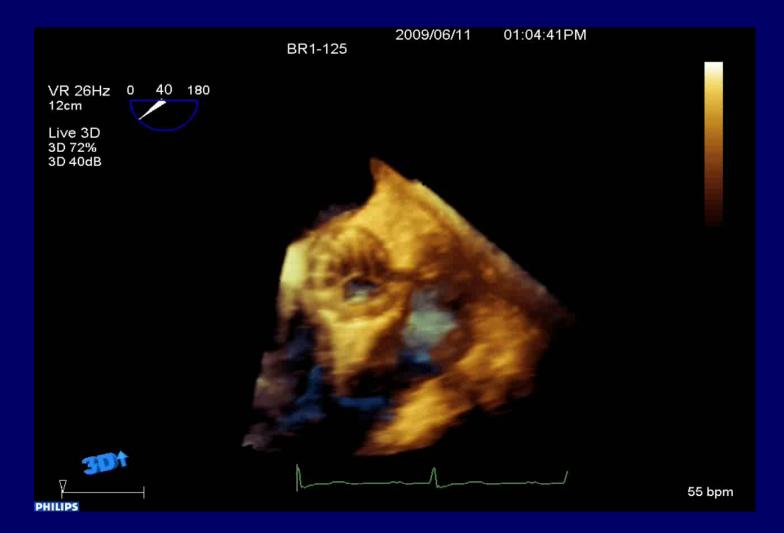
Patients with pronounced sigmoid septum may be more amenable for transapical approach since the positioning of the prosthesis (Edwards-Sapien) may be more stable.



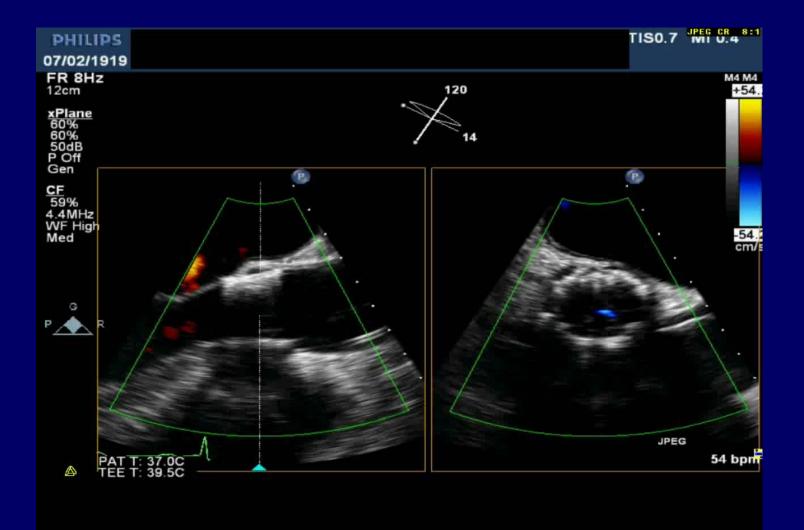
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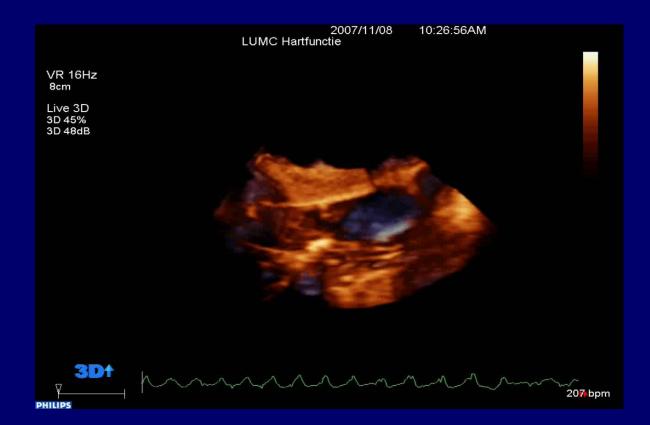
Valve function after TAVI?



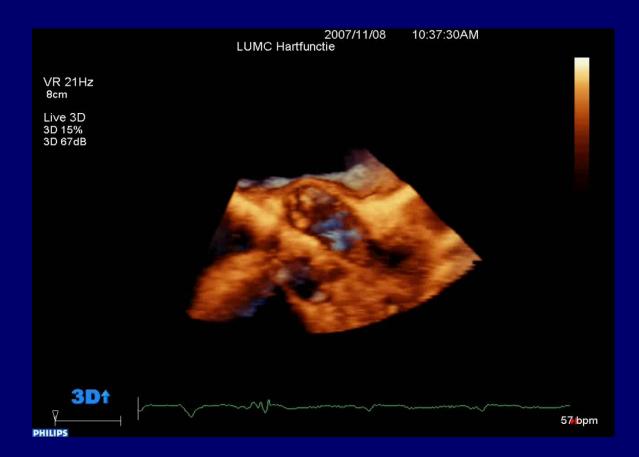
AR after TAVI?



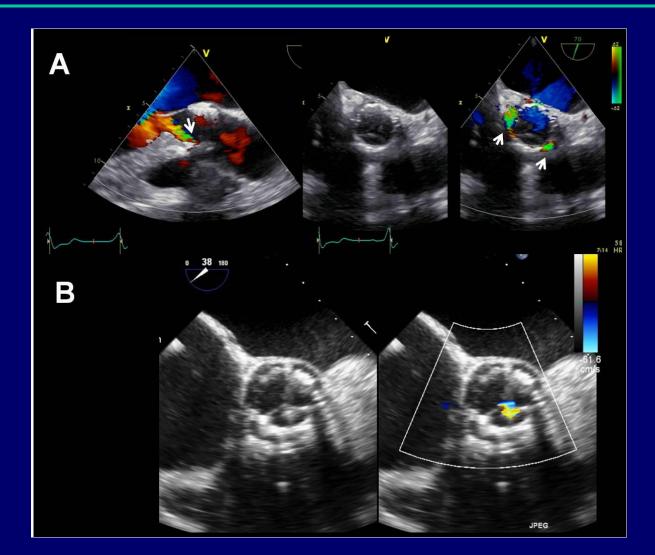
TEE during TAVI Balloon inflation



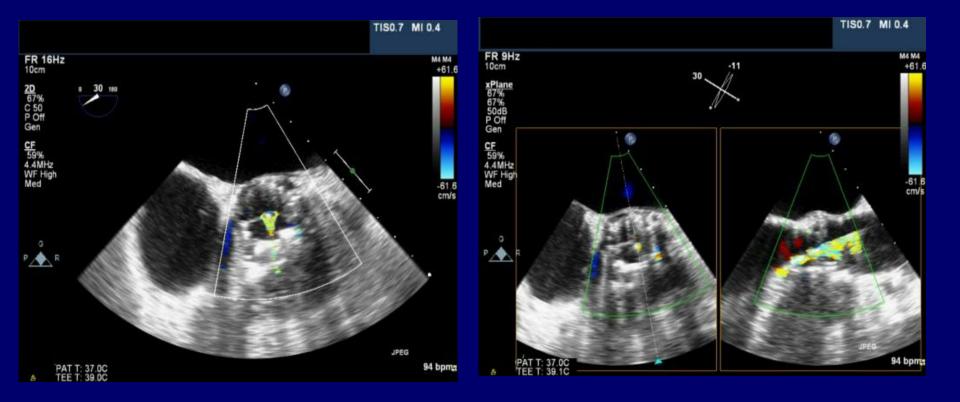
TEE during TAV Guiding of catheter position



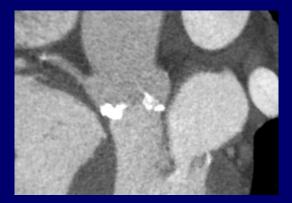
AR - mechanism? Valvular or paravalvular?

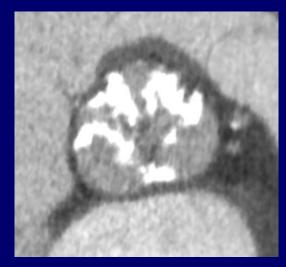


Mechanism: valvular (catheter in-situ)



Paravalvular AR post-TAVI Severe aortic valve calcifications







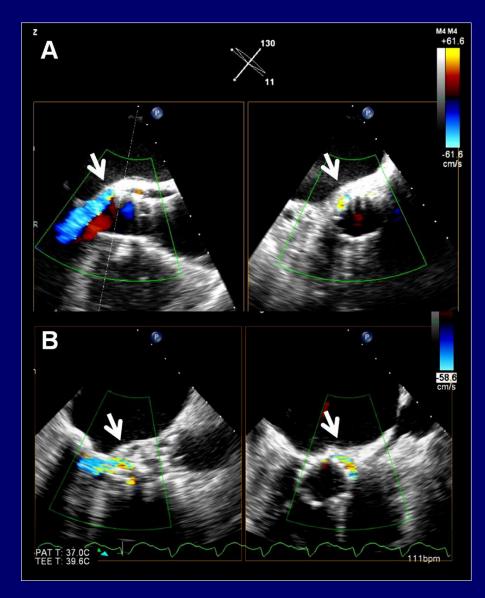
Mechanism?

- 1. V: Too small prosthesis undersizing
- 2. V: After ballooning damage to leaflet
- 3. V: Malfunction of leaflet ("frozen leaflet")
- 4. PV: Valve / annular calcifications

Quantification paravalvular AR

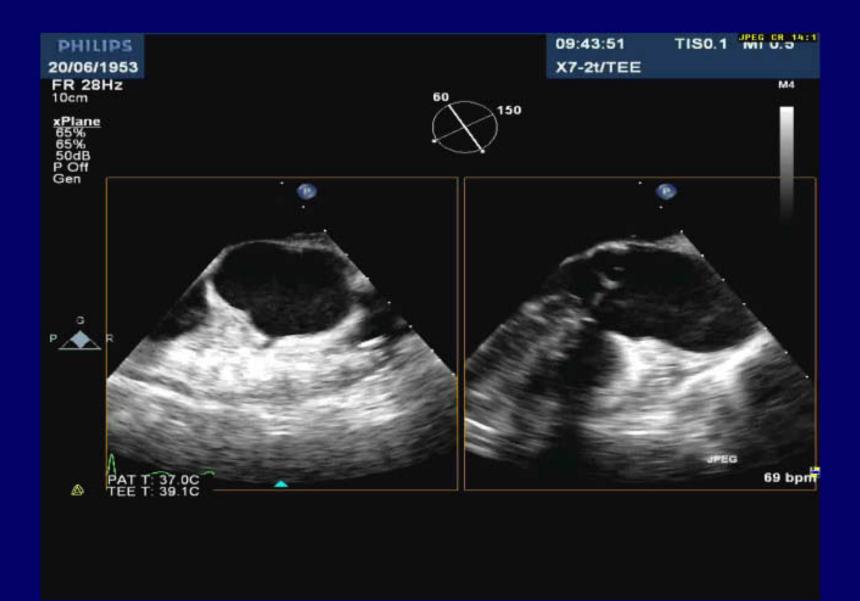
<10% circumferential extent

>20% circumferential extent

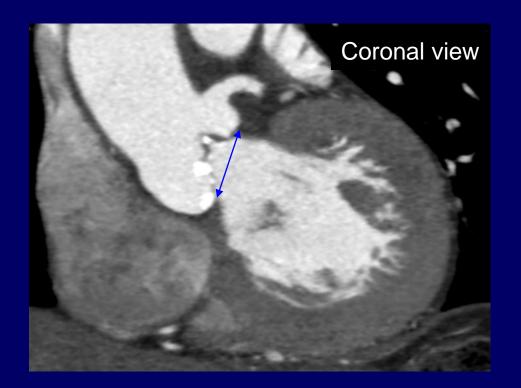


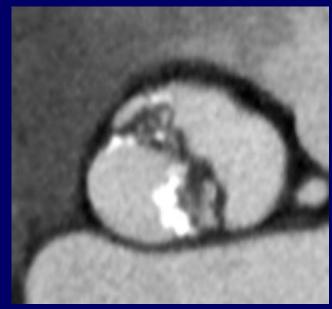
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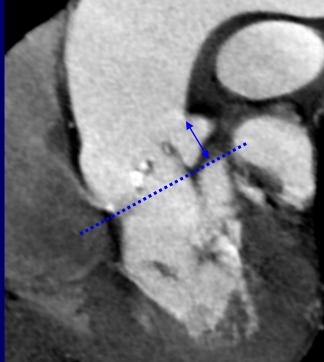
- 87 year-old woman
- CV risk factors: Hypertension, diabetes
- Comorbidities: Prior myocardial infarction (PCI), cerebral stroke
- LogEuroscore: 24.5%
- Severe AS: Max/Mean gradient 100 / 61 mmHg, AVA 0.9 cm²
- LVEF 55%
- Symptoms: Dyspnea NYHA III-IV

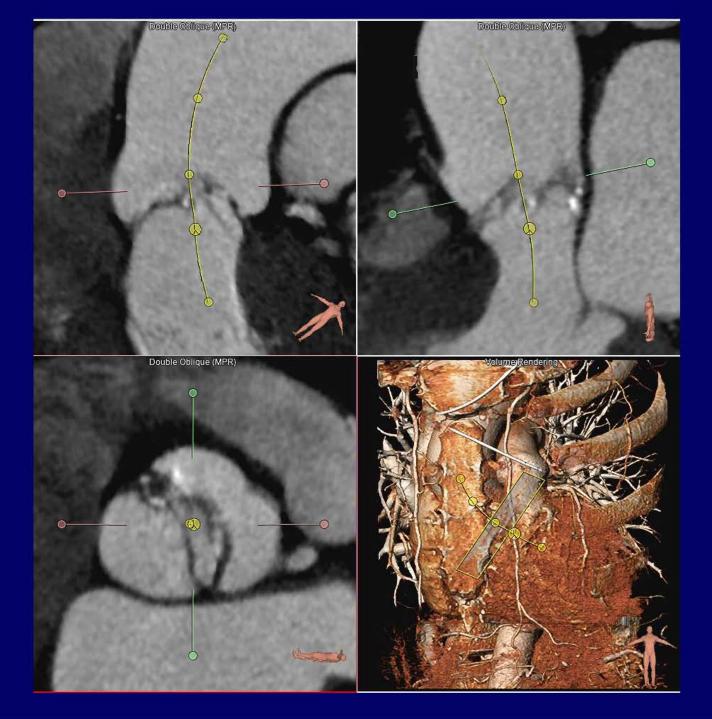


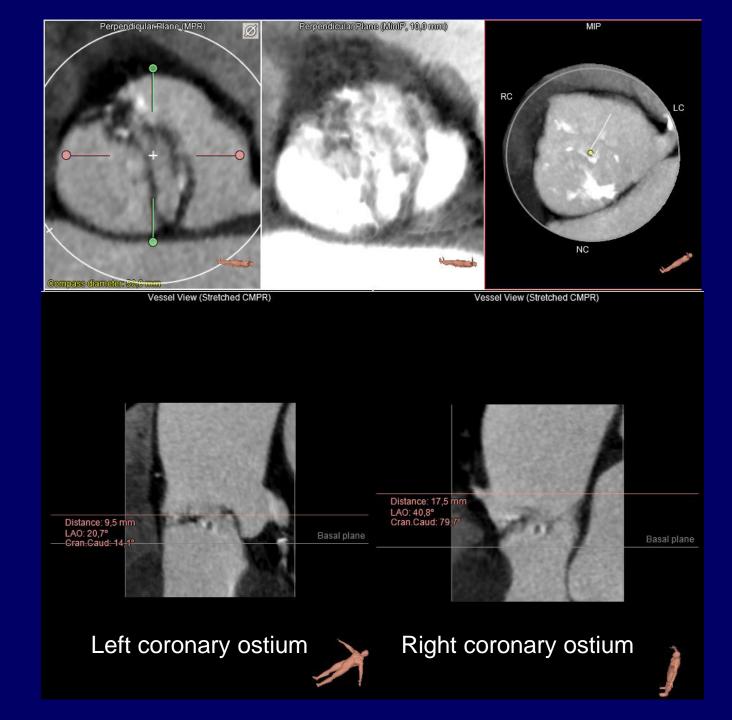
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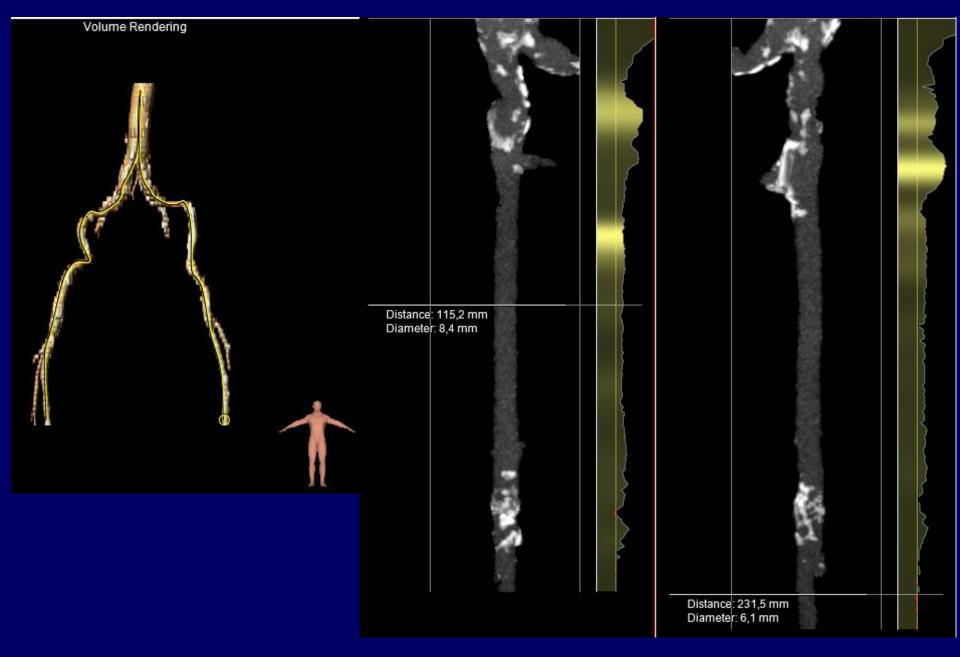




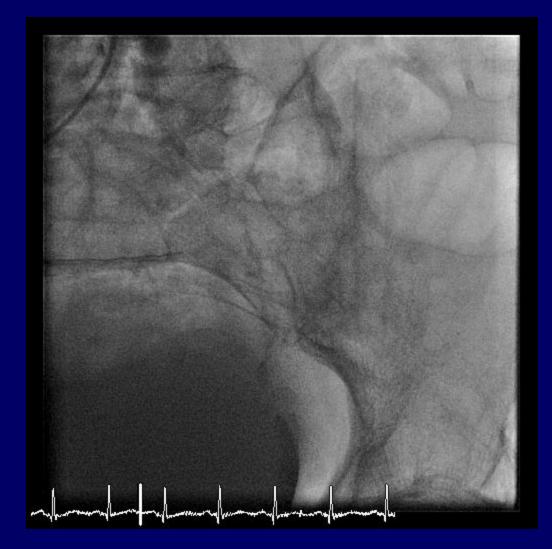


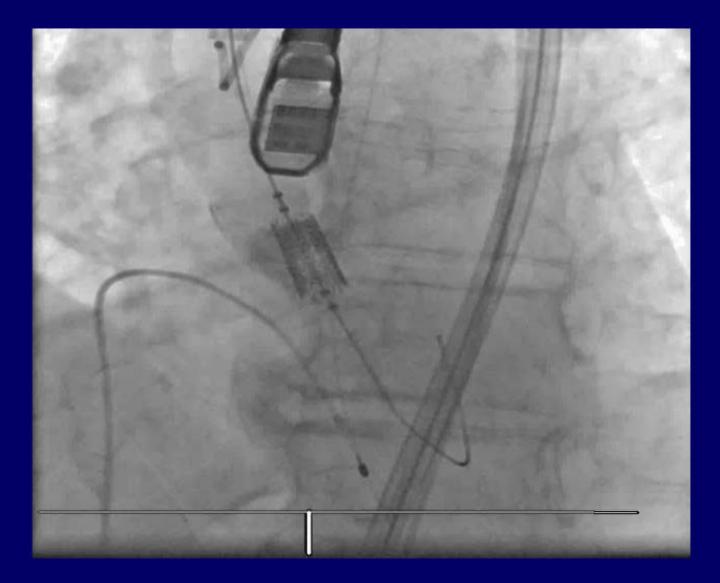


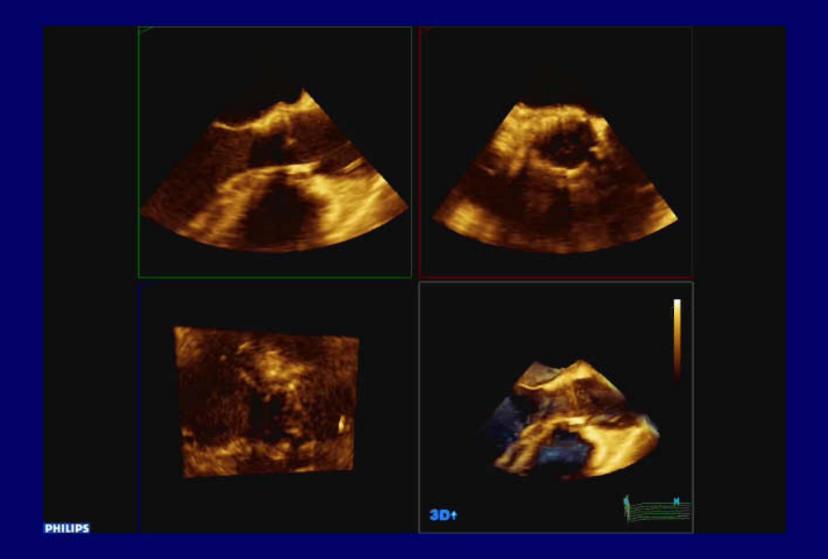
• **MSCT**: Transfemoral approach

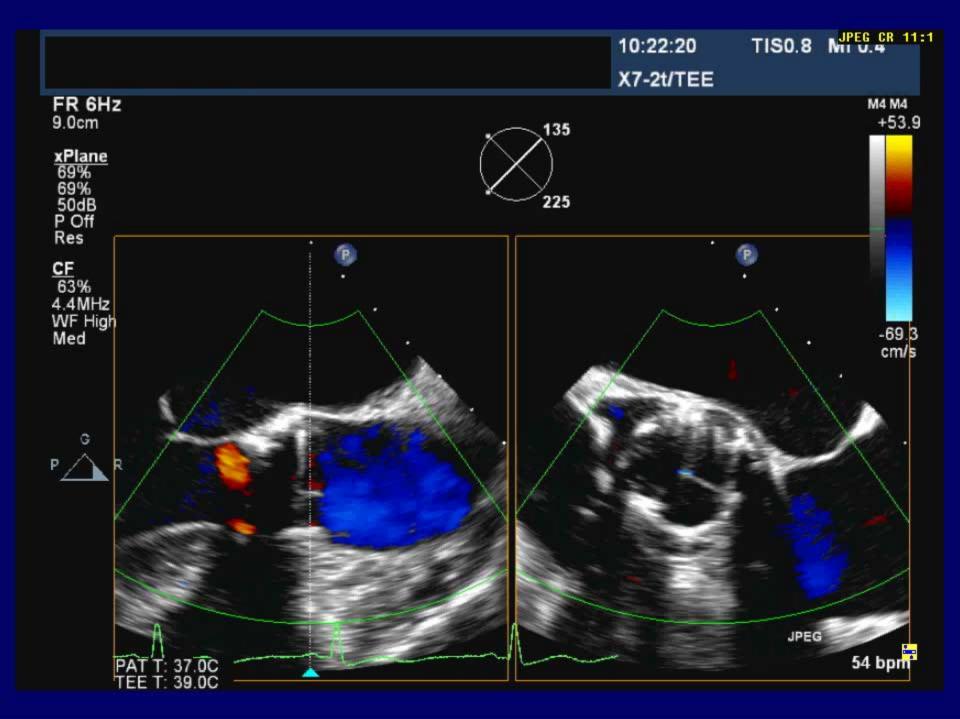


Angiography: Transfemoral approach









MSCT: 1-month follow-up

Evaluation of prosthesis deployment and position

