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Ventricular Outflow Tract definition

All stuctures from the ventricles to the resistence arteries (subvalvular membranes, semilunar valves, great and, smaller vessels), which situates along the blood stream during systole.



• Right Ventricular Outflow Tract Obstructions (RVOTO)

VPS is mostly an isolated lesion, but frequently part of complex lesions, like Tetralogy of Fallot.



Developmental difference between RV and LV –RV tri-partite

- inlet, trabecular, infundibular
- -LV bi-partite
 - inlet, trabecular

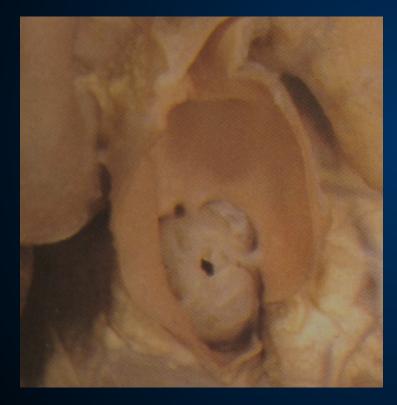


Pulmonary Valve

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Valvular pulmonary stenosis







Valvular pulmonary stenosis critical severe moderate mild



Valvular pulmonary stenosis - severity

- Critical:
 - duct dependent pulmonary circulation, RV failure – (combined: OFO/ASD II, TI, RV&PA hypoplasia)
- Severe:
 - *RV pressure suprasystemic, or RVp = LVp* - (combined: OFO/ASD II, TI, +/- RV&PA hypoplasia)
- Moderate:
 - TVDG > 50 mmHg, RVp/LVp < 1 - (combined: OFO/ASD II)
- Mild:
 - TVDG < 50 mmHg



Valvular pulmonary stenosis – symptoms
Critical: emergency condition

RV failure, (hepatomegaly, ascites, cyanosis = ASD *R*-L shunt, PDA closure = circulatory collapse, death

- Severe: often asymptomatic (!) +/-cyanosis = ASD R-L shunt, fatigue, pallor
- Moderate: regularily asymptomatic
- Mild: always asymptomatic



Valvular pulmonary stenosis – Dx (1) – Physical examination

- Thrill, proto-mesosystolic ejection murmur, P click, split S2
- -ECG
 - Signs of RVH, RV "strain" pattern
- -X-ray
 - CTI mostly normal, apex can be elevated, pulmonary vascular markings normal
- Echocardiography (M-mode, 2D, PD, CW, Color)
- -Heart catheterisation
 - Mostly BVP at the same session

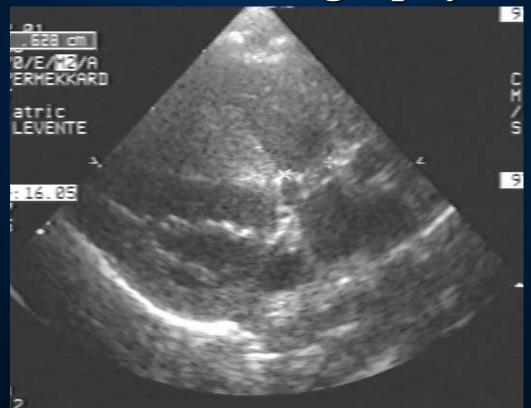


Valvular pulmonary stenosis – Dx (2)

- Echocardiography (M-mode, 2D, PD, CW, Color)
 - RVH
 - IVS bulging to the left
 - Valve morphology, anulus diam., motion, dysplastic valve
 - Dimensions: MPA, RPA, LPA
 - **PDA** ?
 - TI Vmax (simplified Bernoulli: 4 x Vmax² = inst.gradient)
 - MPA Vmax
 - PI +/- (P_{pulm}, RVDp)
 - Color Doppler jet diameter, length, direction



Valvular pulmonary stenosis – Dx Echocardiography 2D





Cath. and intervention

•V. Fem. access
•RV pressure
•RVangio (Biplane)

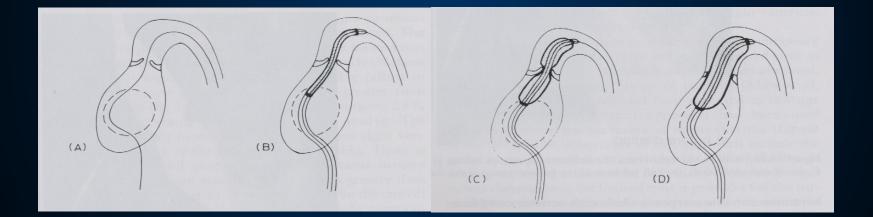
Angio cath: NIH, Berman angio, rarely pigtail

•Measurements

Pulm.valve "anulus"

•Valve dilatation
•Controll RV pressure
•Controll RV angio







Valve dilatation

•End-hole cath. for wire position

- Multipurpose, JR, wedge Berman

•Exchange wire

- Ballon size dependent (Cook Roadrunner, Amplatz extra stiff 0,018" 0,035", etc.)
- Stabile positon (LPA, RPA, desc.Ao)
- Hydrophilic

•Balloon

- Ballon/anulus = 1,2-1,3x
- low profile, fast inflation-deflation, «Fr
- Balloon length for age !! (avoid complication)
- Tyshak II, Nucleus (adults)....
- Indeflator!! pressure control !



Tricks to avoid complication

•Don't oversize RVOT rupture

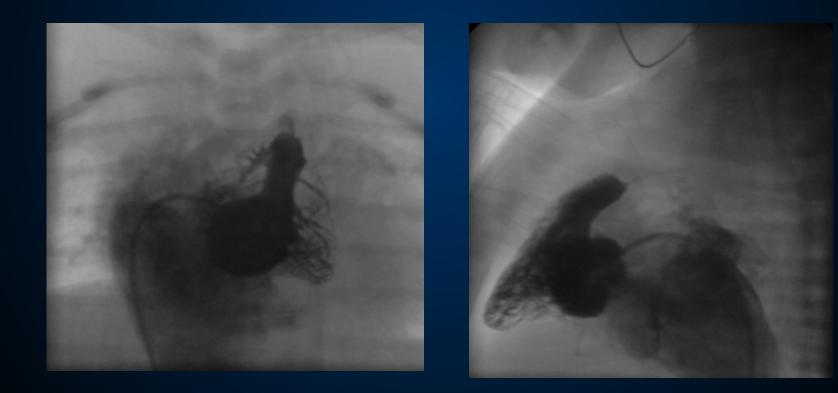
•Don't use too long ballon – TV, bifurcation rupture

•De-airing

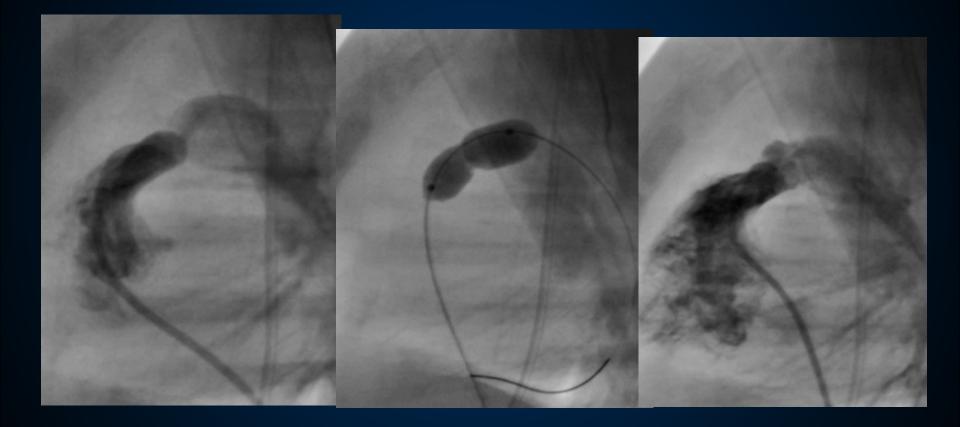
Care while passing the TV with the exchange wire and balloon – cave route among TV chordae
Place your exchange wire across the PDA – more stabile position, better maneuverability (neonates)
In case of dilated RA – rightward curve/loop in the RA to pass TV and reach the pulmonary valve
Indeflator for pressure controll – ballon rupture - embolisation



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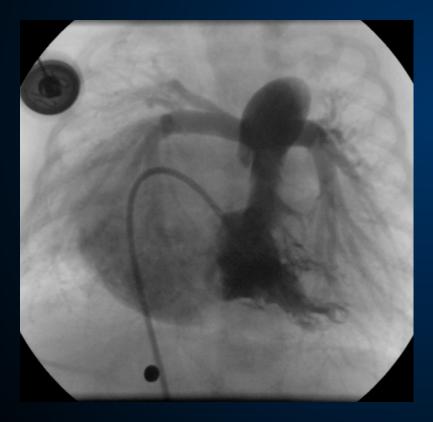


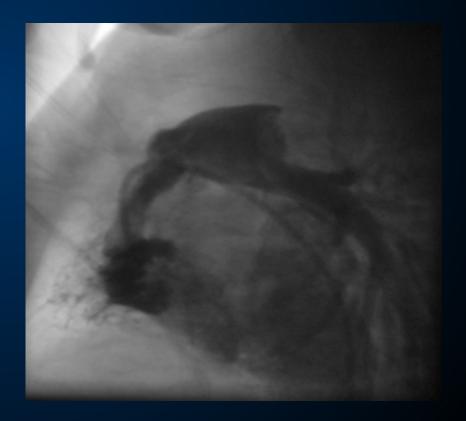




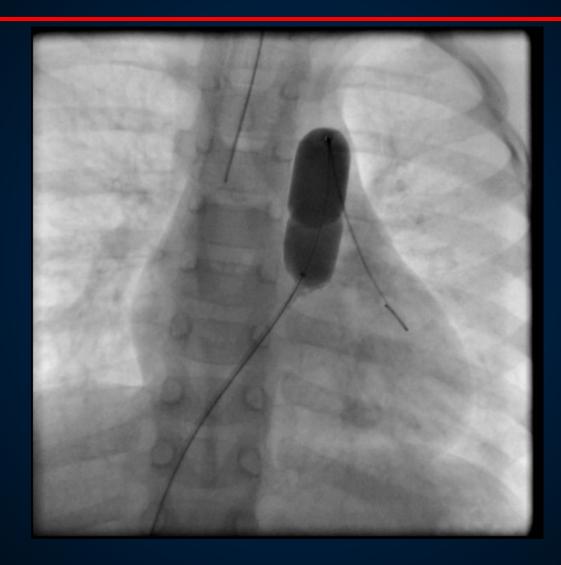


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