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- **Parallax**

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3D *en face* left atrial view



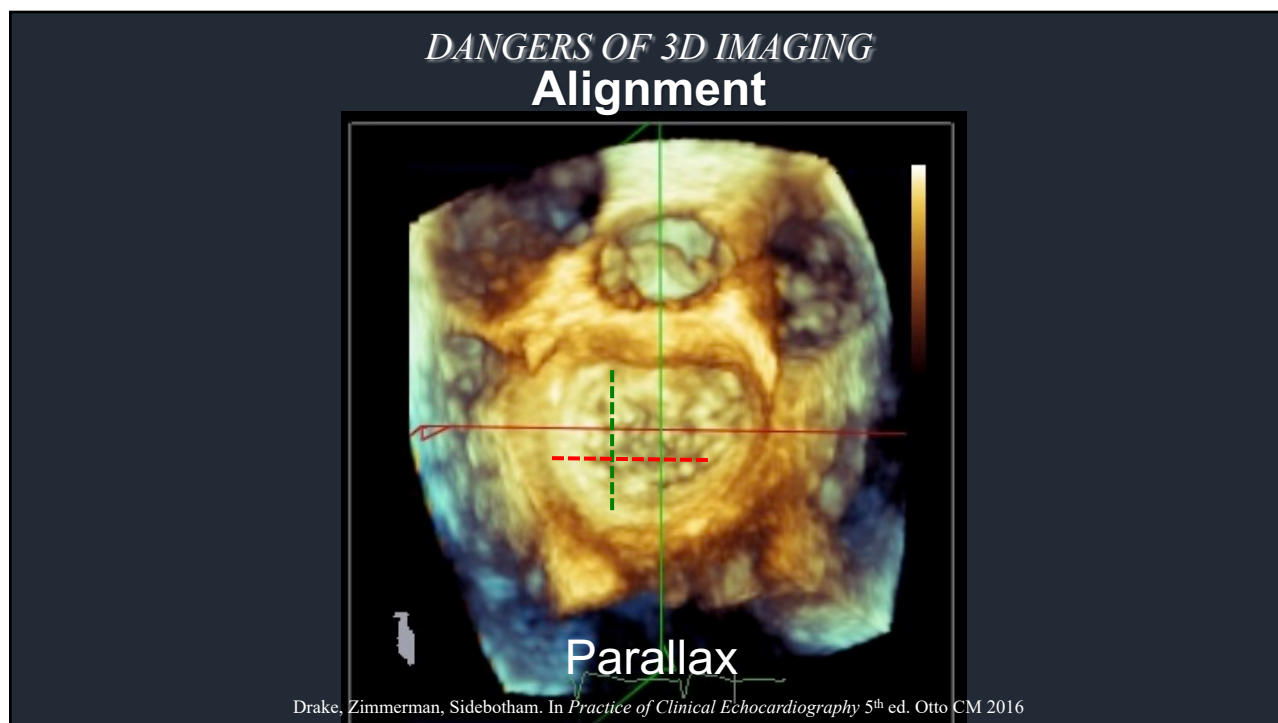
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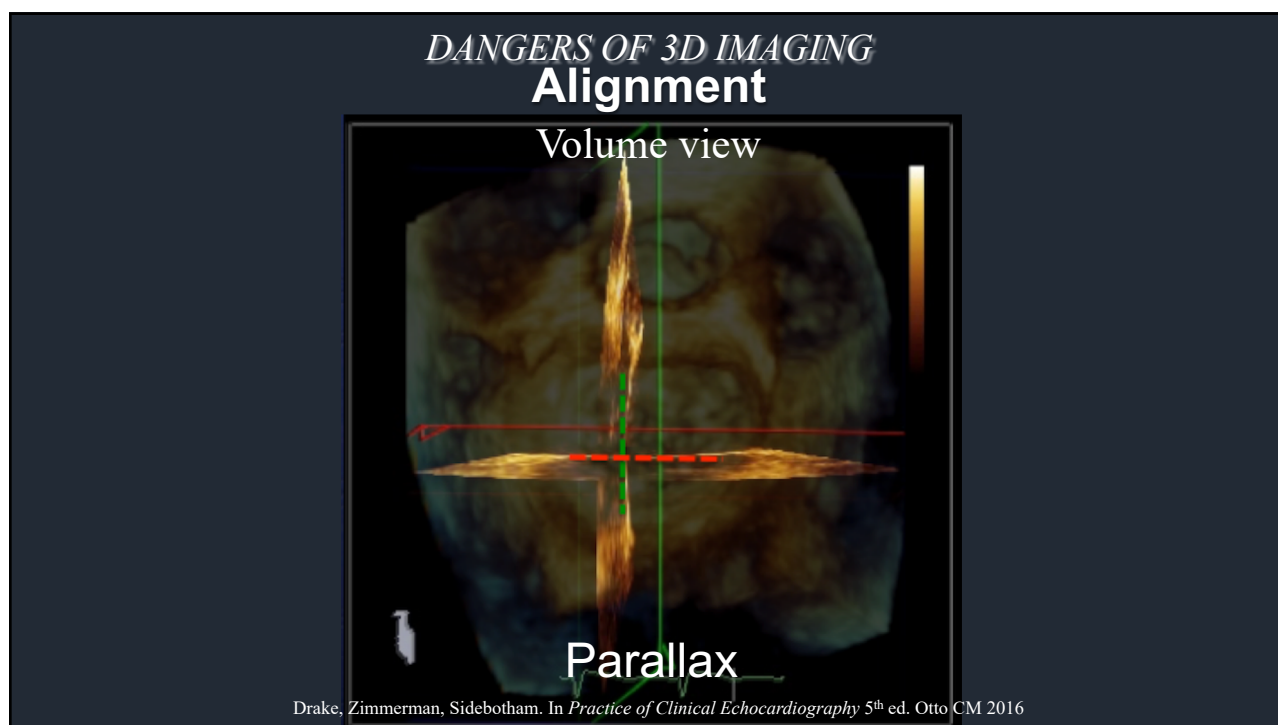
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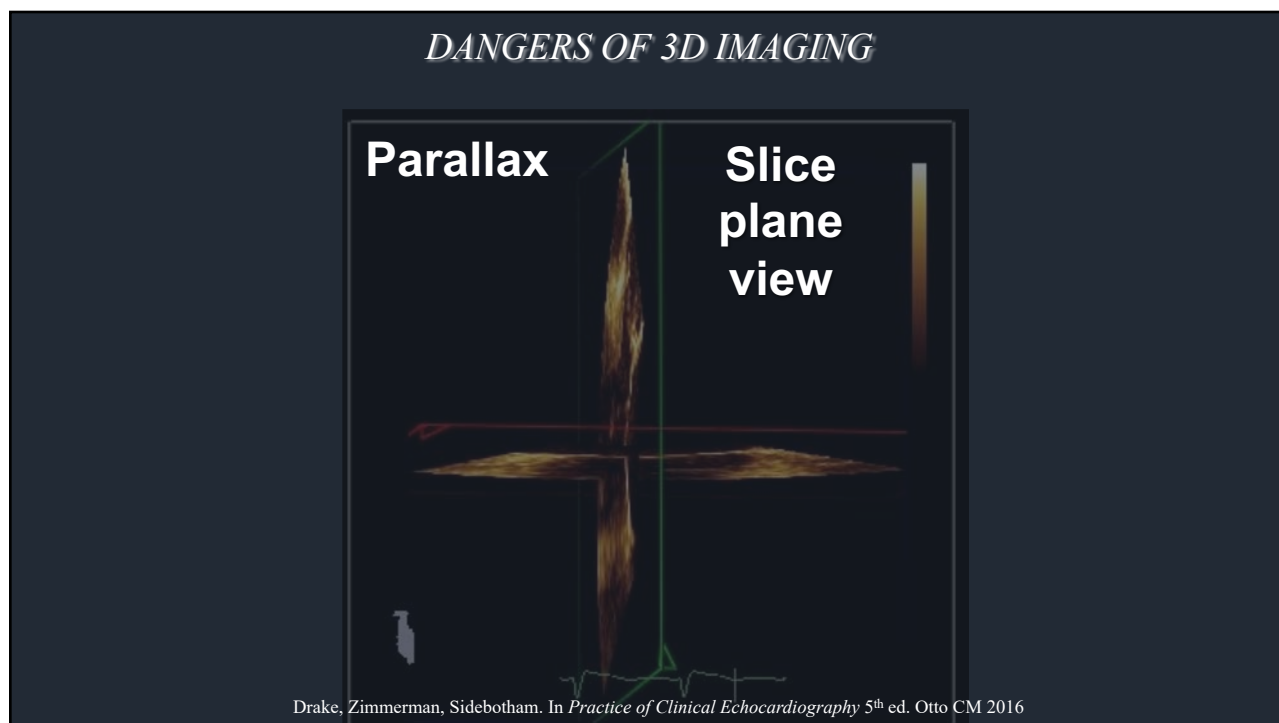
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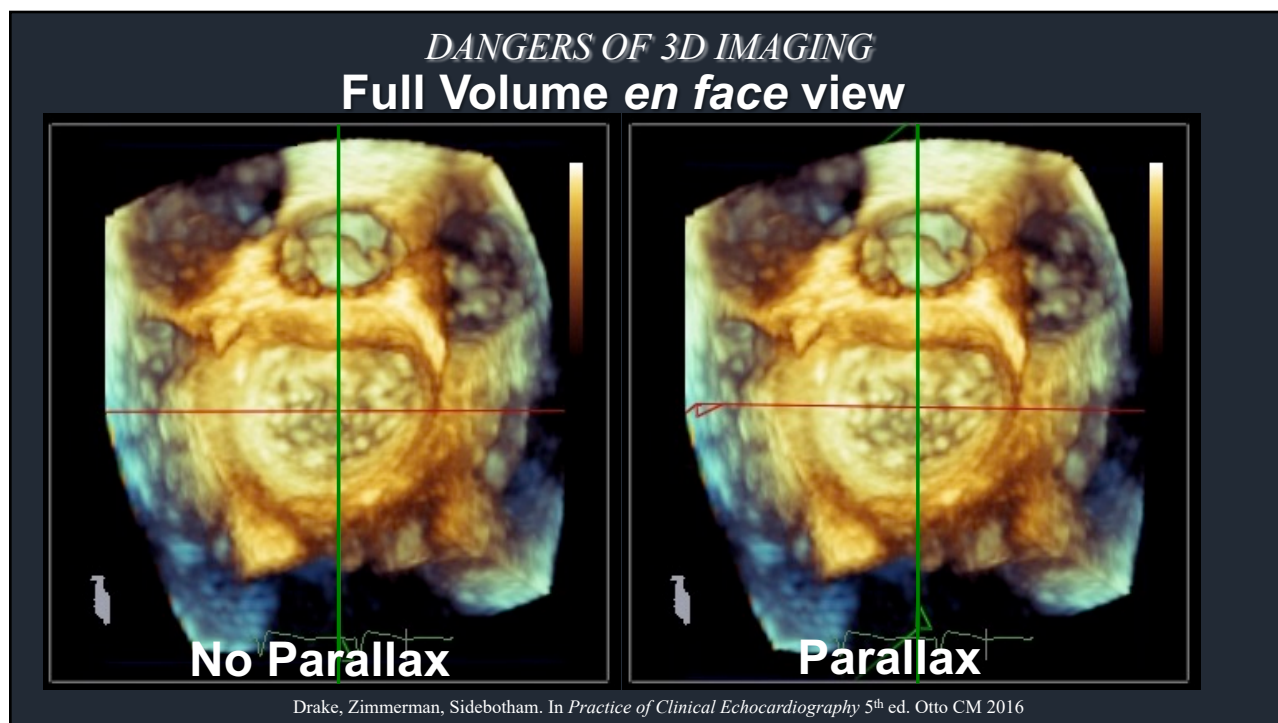
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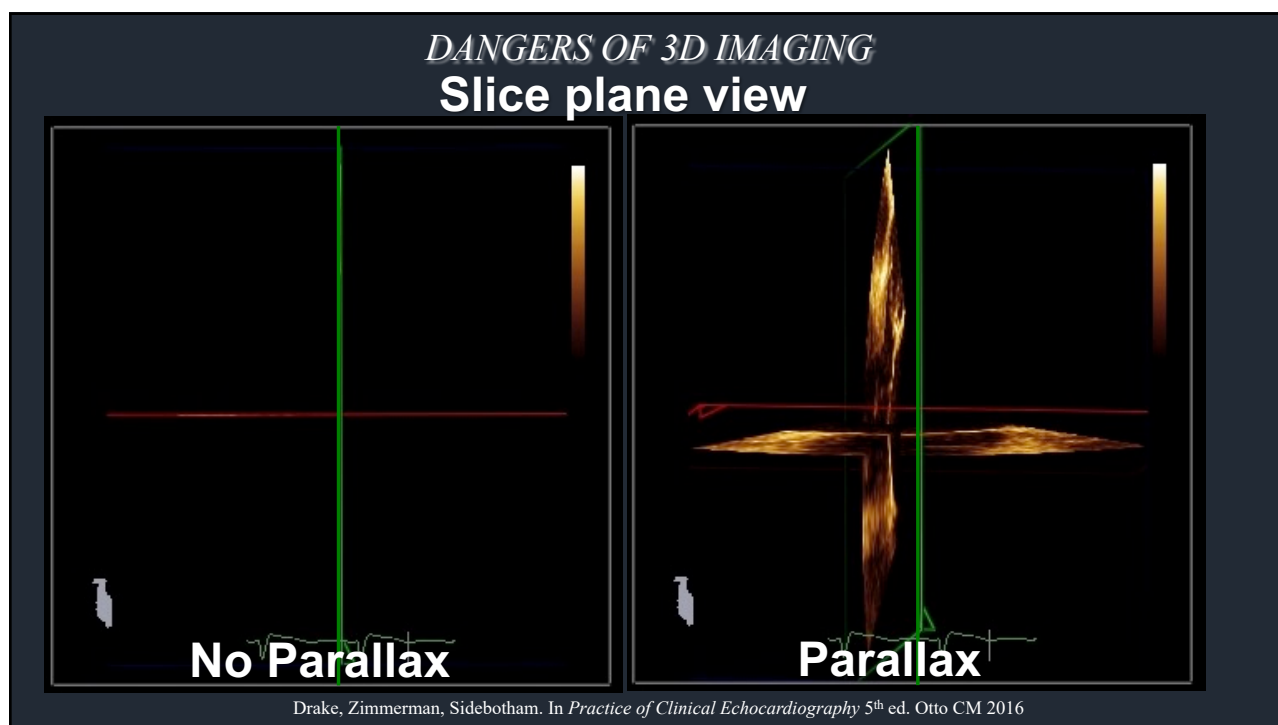
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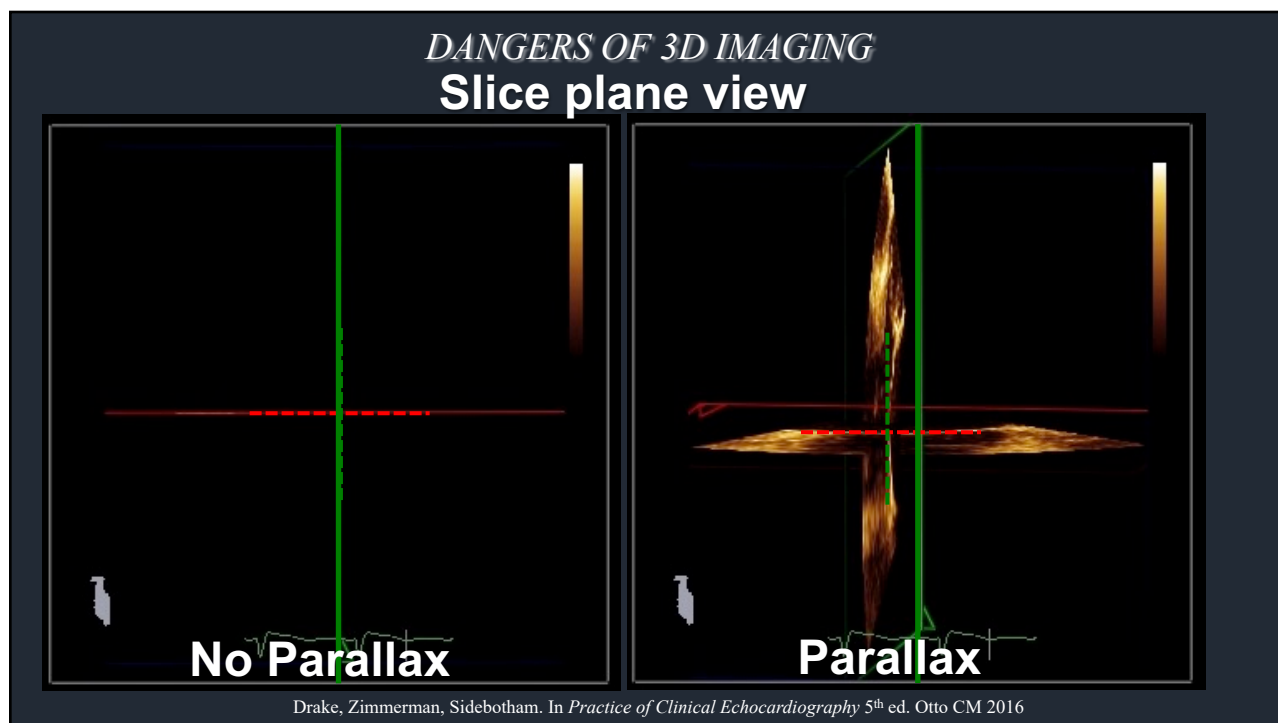
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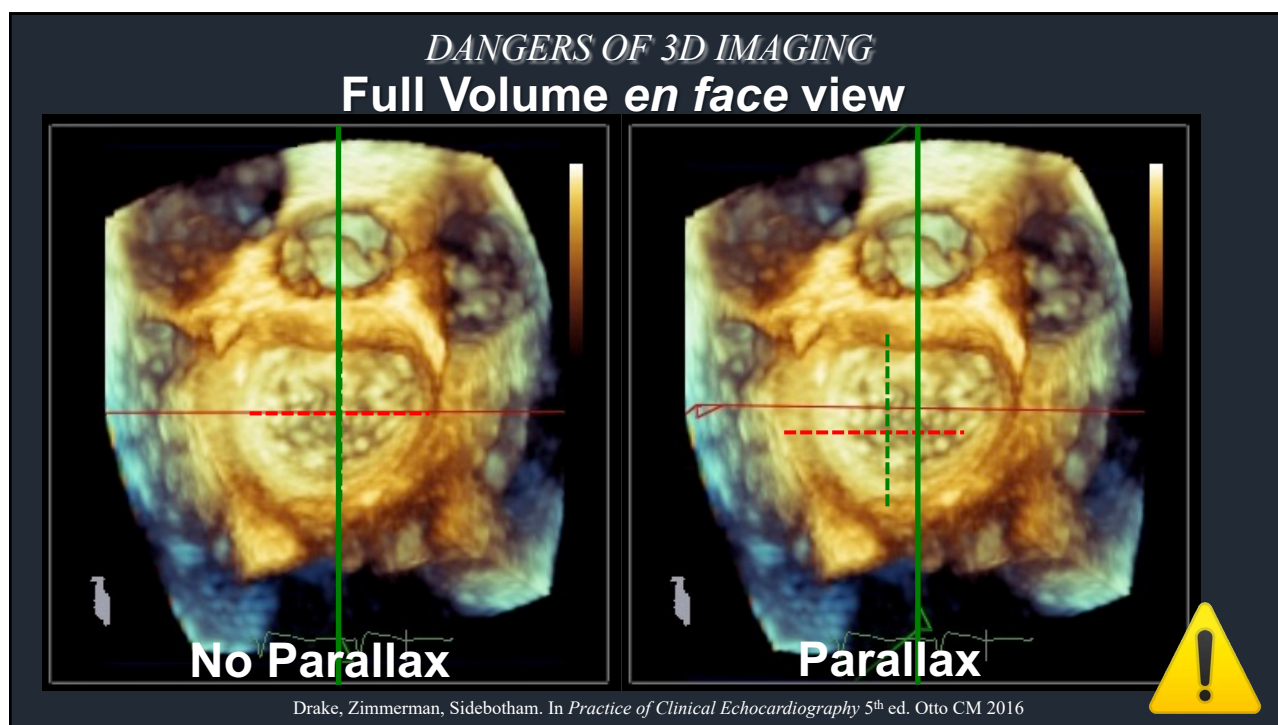
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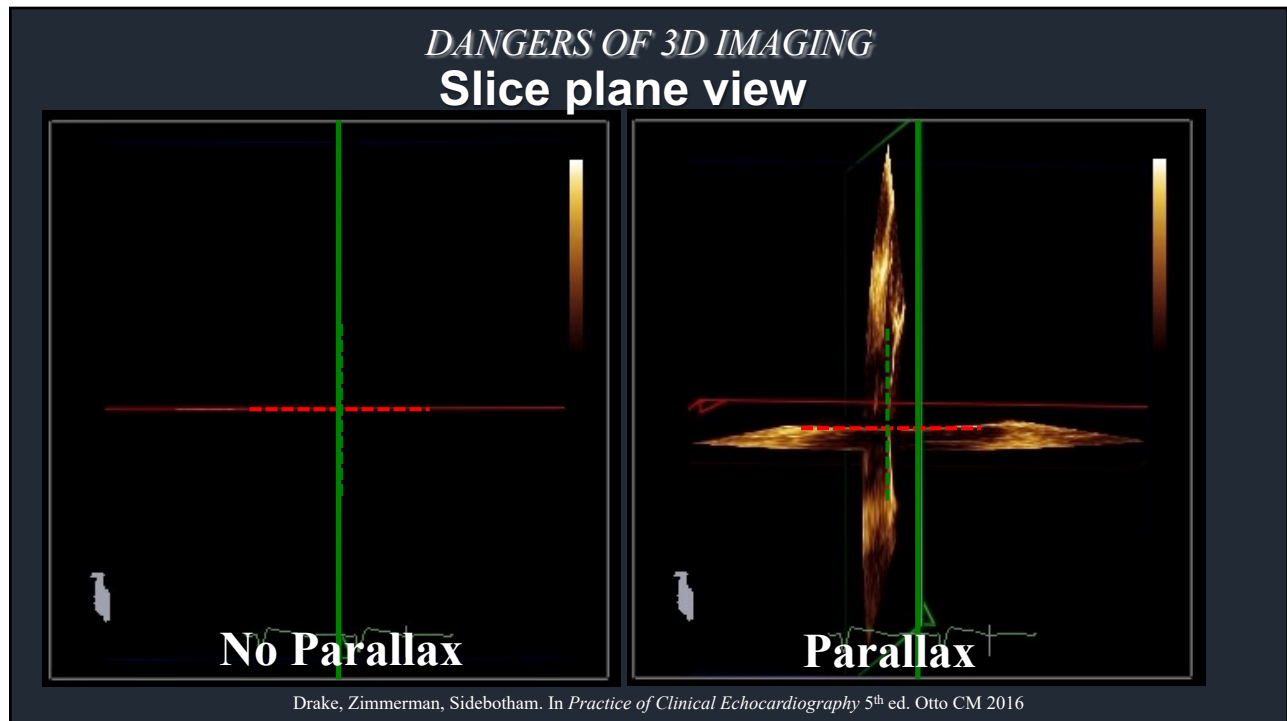
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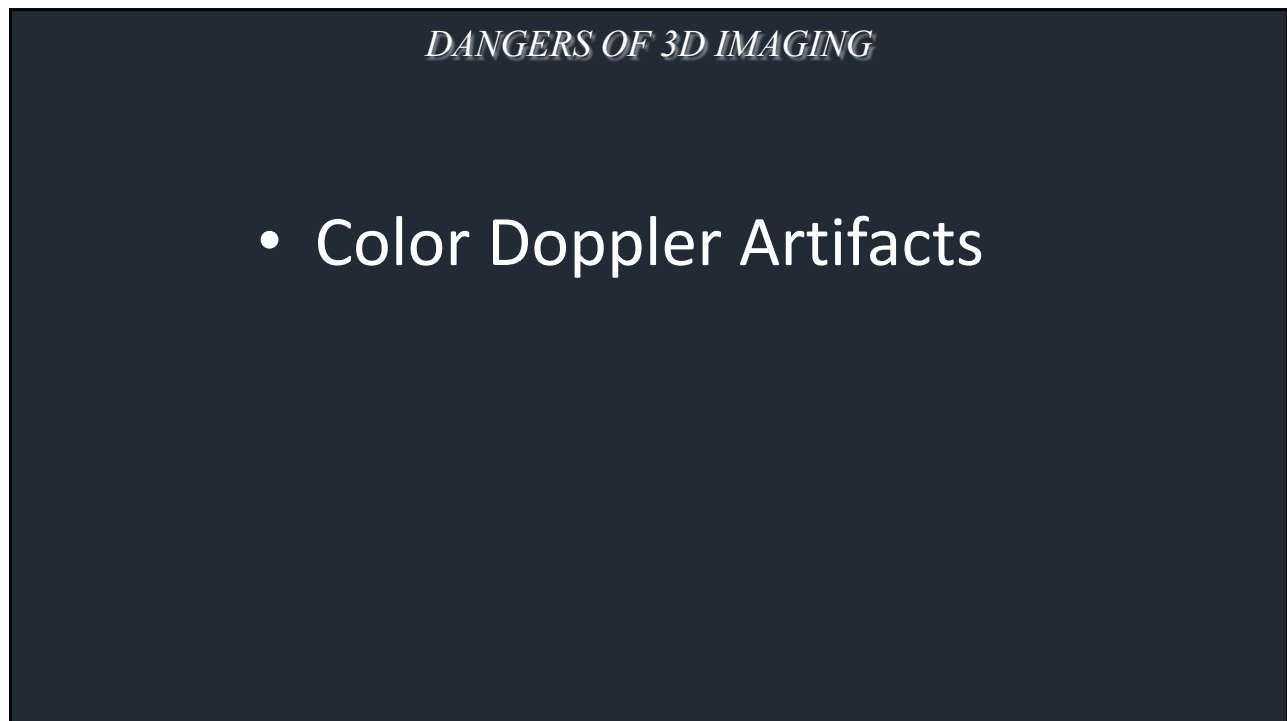
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Understand the imaging perspective

Are images truly axial or are they distorted?

Check out the perpendicular view of this lovely yellow rose....

Isn't this just lovely?



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Now look what happens to the color if we stand just slightly off axis or obliquely...



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Color may also appear larger than it really is..



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...or create artifacts... like ghosts!



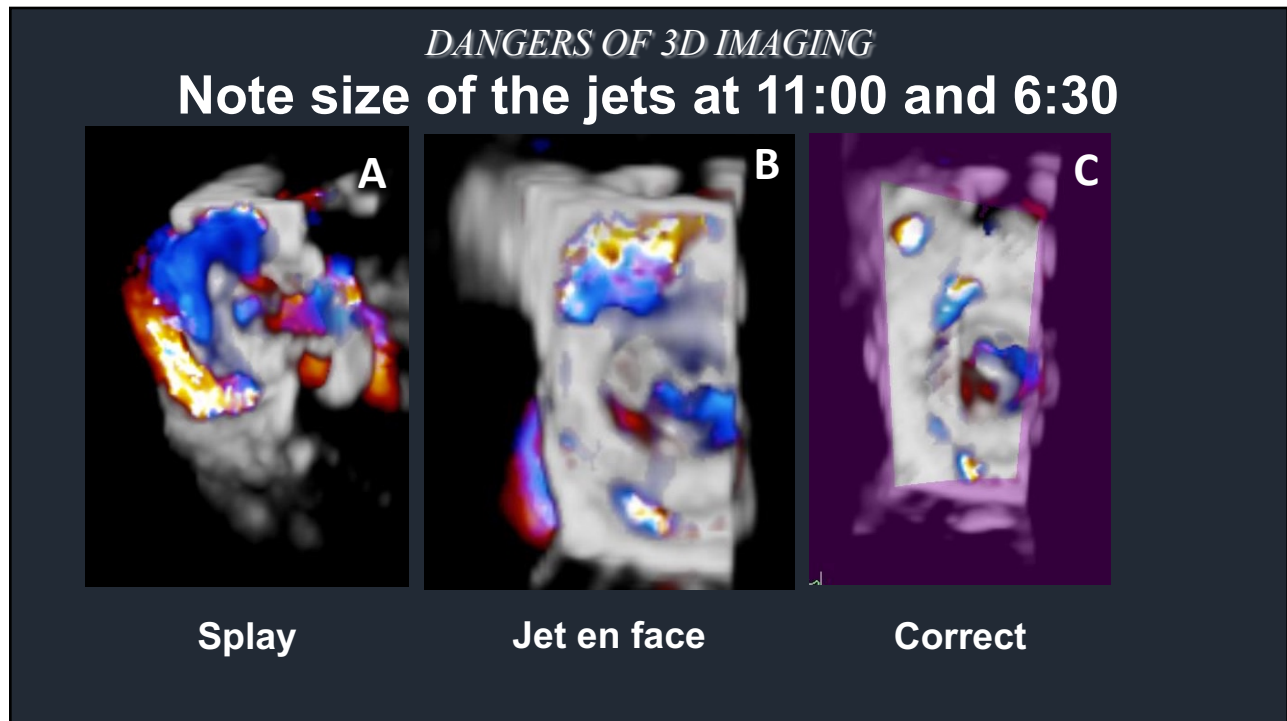
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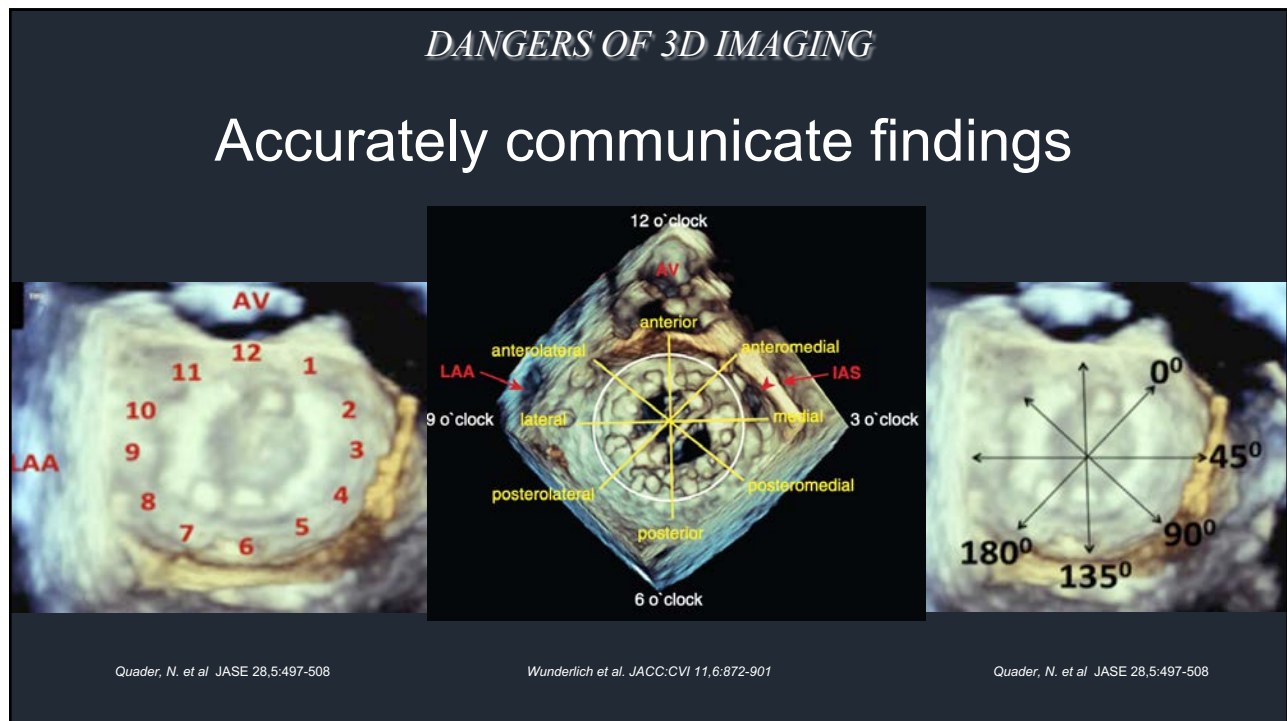
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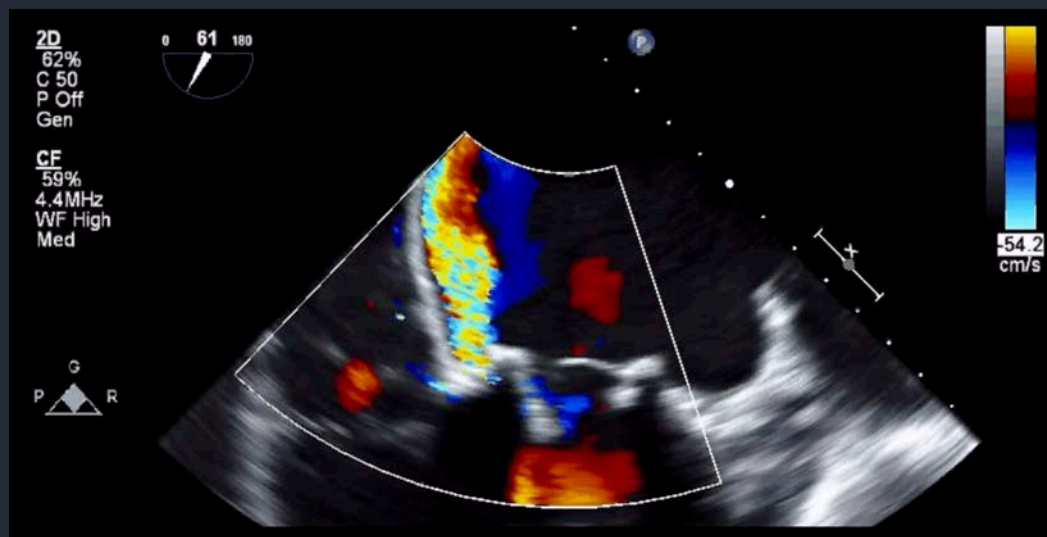
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4-chamber view displays PVL on left side



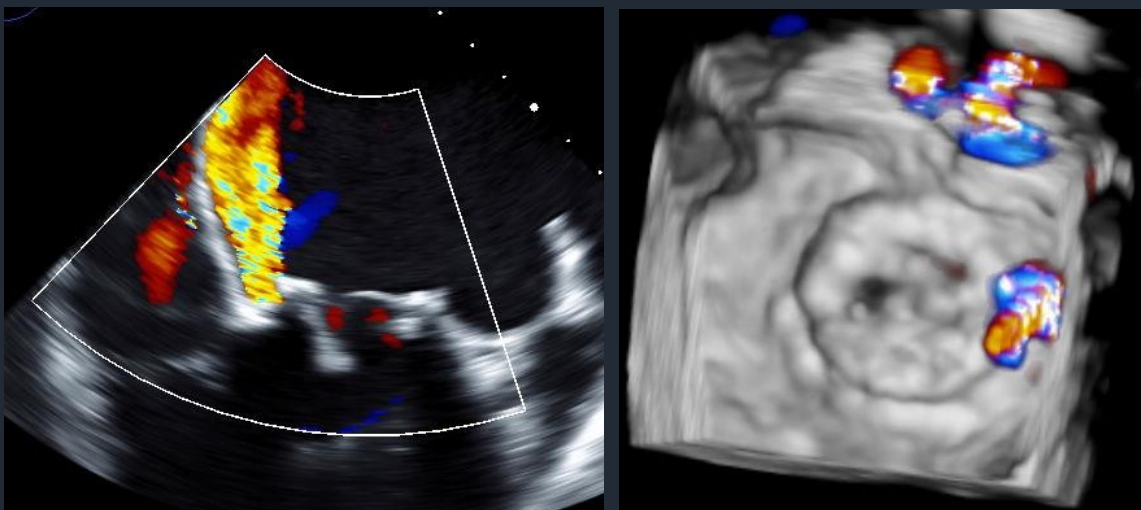
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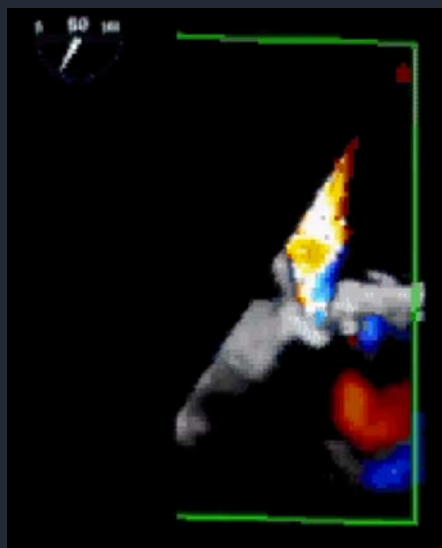
3D Zoom *en face* view displays PVL on right side!



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*DANGERS OF 3D IMAGING***2D vs 3D TEE perspectives by modality**

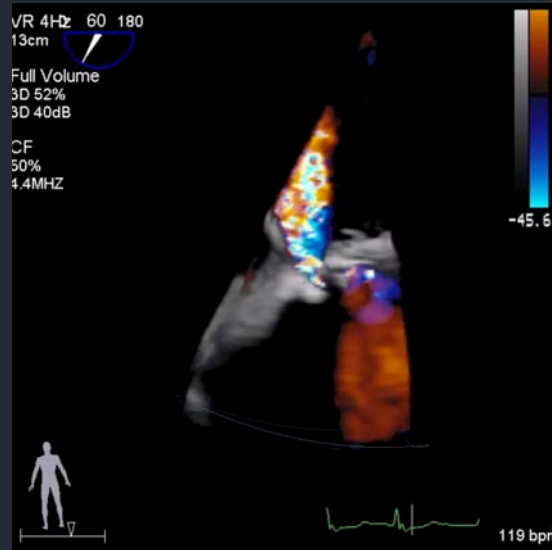
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*DANGERS OF 3D IMAGING***Full volume 3D color automatically crops**

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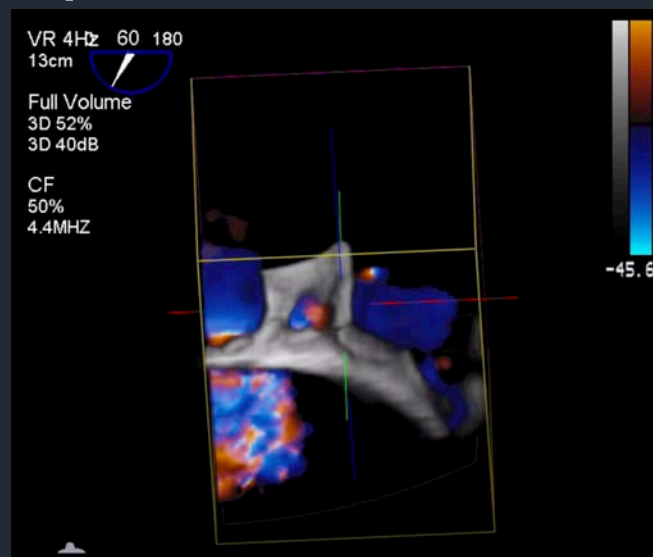
Simply freeze... and uncrop full volume...



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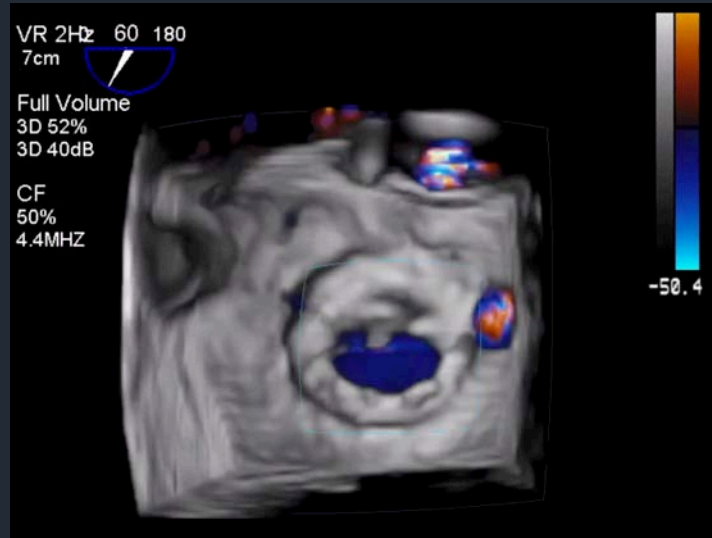
...rotate Z to position aortic valve above mitral



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...tilt image down for *en face* view

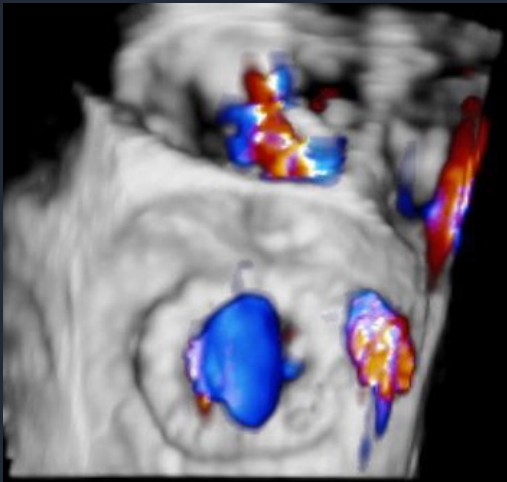


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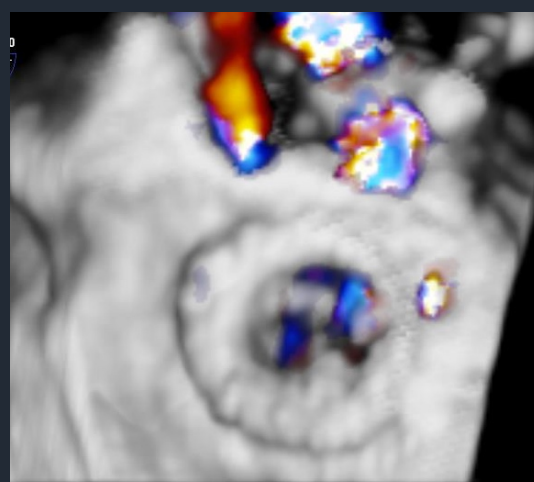
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Timing also matters!

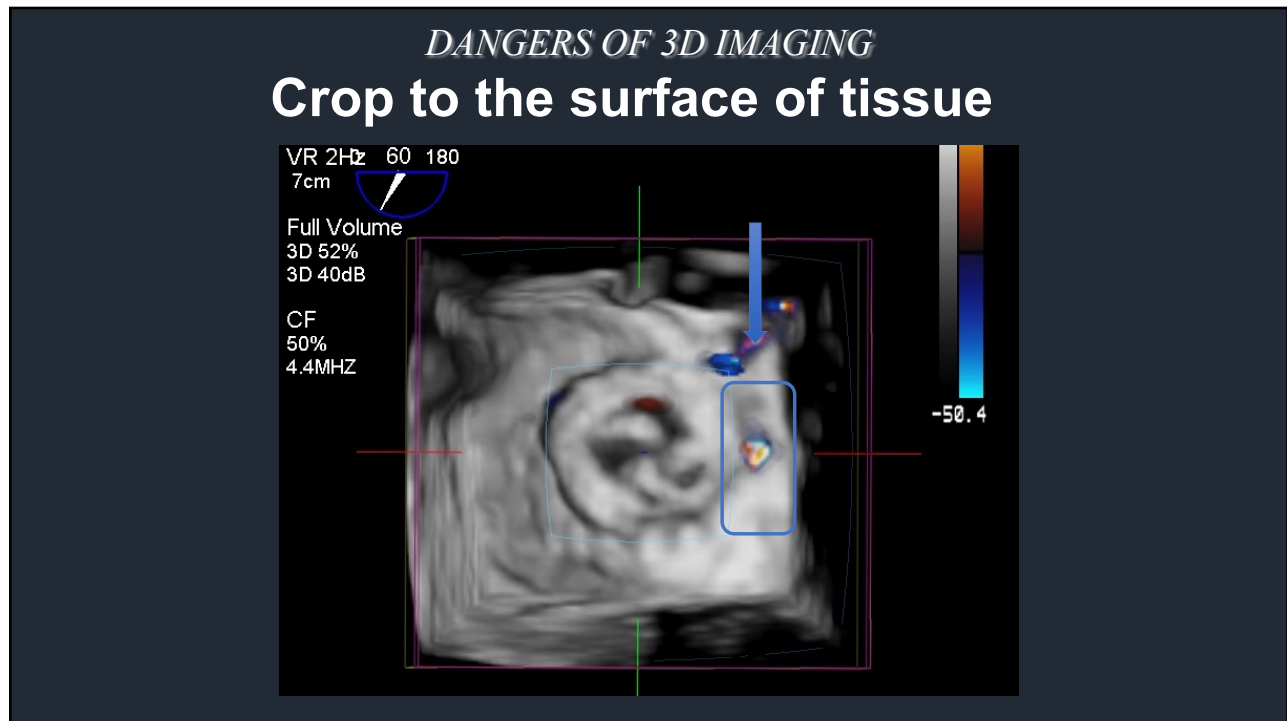
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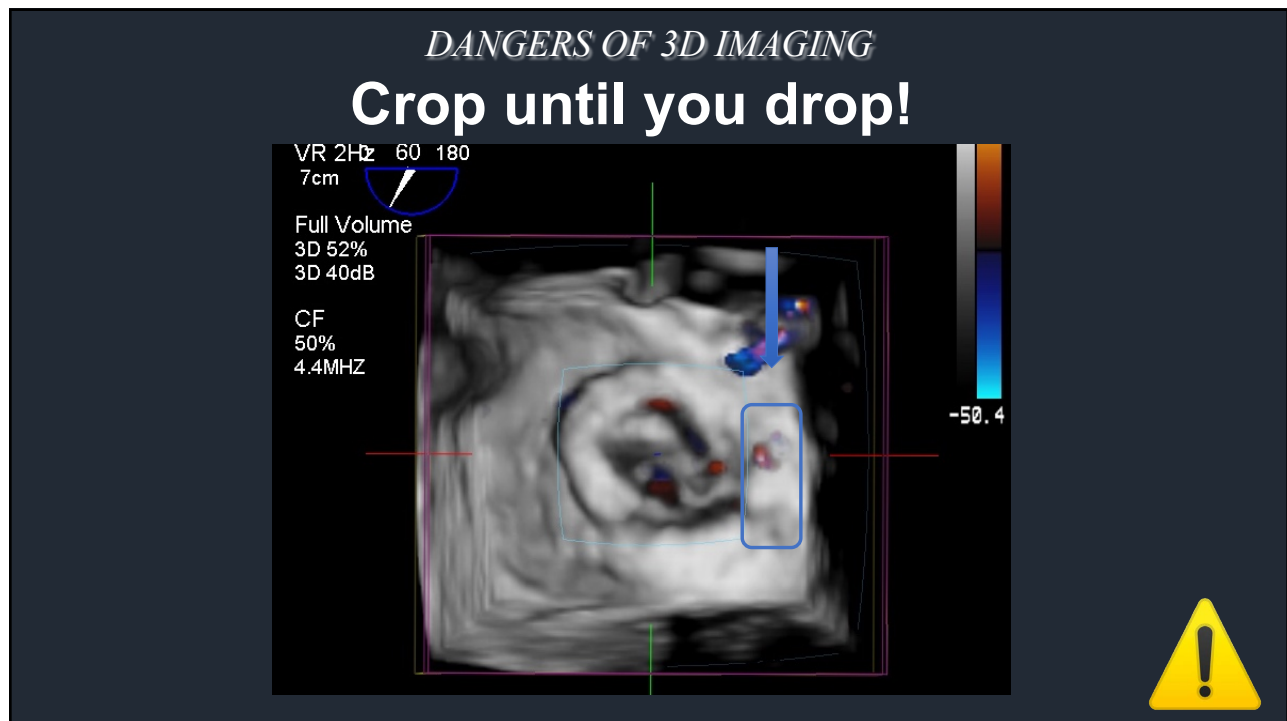
Systole and cropped



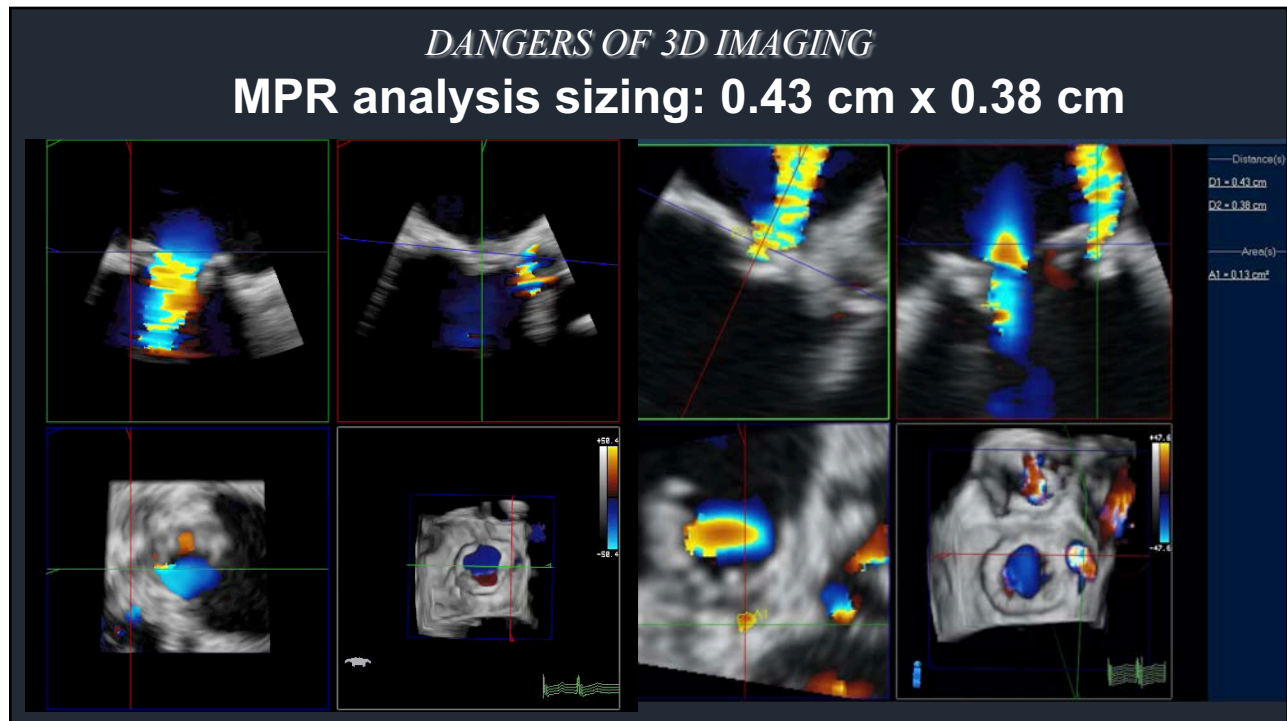
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Maybe NOT!

- Uneven tissue or ridges may create an area of dropout, NOT REAL!
- Combine evaluation with color and Doppler to unmask this artifact

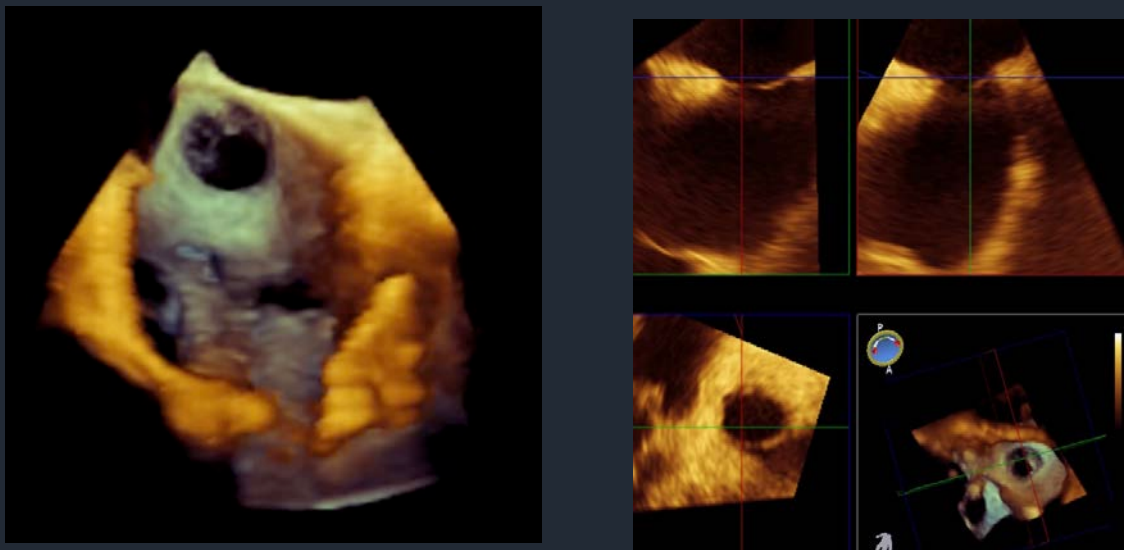
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Pre-procedural imaging 3D color through a secundum ASD



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*DANGERS OF 3D IMAGING***Imaging will size and guide intervention**

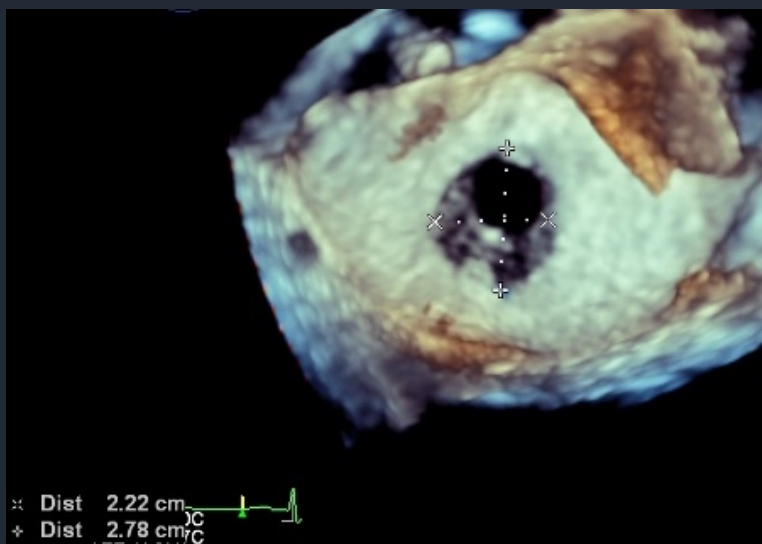
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*DANGERS OF 3D IMAGING***Sizing defect by 2D TEE is 1.11 cm and 2.11 cm**

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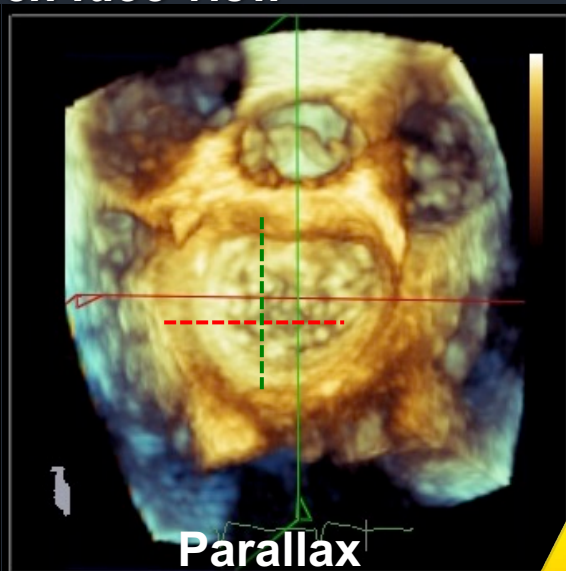
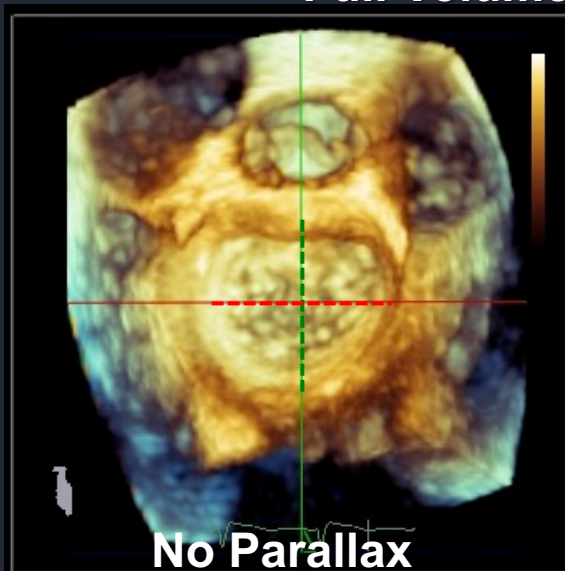
3D Live *en face* measures 2.22 cm x 2.78 cm



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Full Volume *en face* view



Drake, Zimmerman, Sidebotham. In *Practice of Clinical Echocardiography* 5th ed. Otto CM 2016

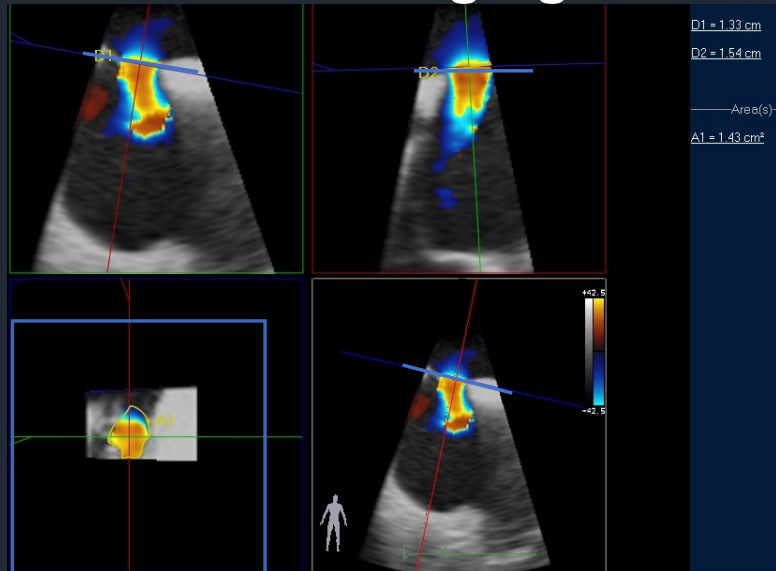
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MPR utilizes axial imaging

- Axial diameters and area can then be performed

- 1.33 cm
- 1.54 cm
- Area 1.43 cm²



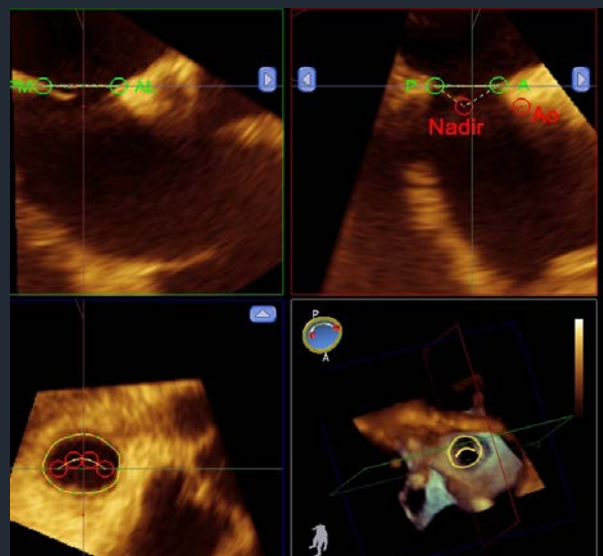
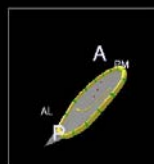
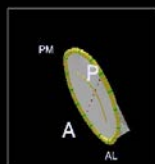
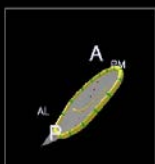
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3D MVQ sizing tool traces around the defect

- MVQ places 16 points along plane line providing more detailed accurate analysis
- Diameters: 2.1 cm x 1.83 cm, area of 3.18 cm² and perimeter of 64 mm

AIPm 21.9 mm
DAP 18.3 mm
H 0.3 mm
C3D 64.0 mm
A2D 318.1 mm²



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*DANGERS OF 3D IMAGING***What difference does it make?**

- 2D images display defect of 1.1 cm and 2.11 cm
- 3D 'en face' displays 2.22 cm x 2.78 cm!
- MPR line up 1.33 cm and 1.54 cm, area 1.43cm²
- MVQ analysis reveals 2.1cm x 1.83 cm, area of 3.18 cm², and perimeter of 64 mm

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*DANGERS OF 3D IMAGING***HUGE Difference!**

- 2D dimension is a single slice measurement (of a 3D object)
- 3D Live en face can be completely inaccurate, since there is no way to know the image perspective
- 3D MPR, after elimination of parallax, allows for accurate axial alignment of 2D imaging planes by cross-sectional analysis
- 3D MVQ axially and accurately measures 16 points around the circumference of the circle



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3D structures require 3D analysis

Proceed with caution!!
ENJOY the new adventure!



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