

3D Workshop TTE Valve imaging

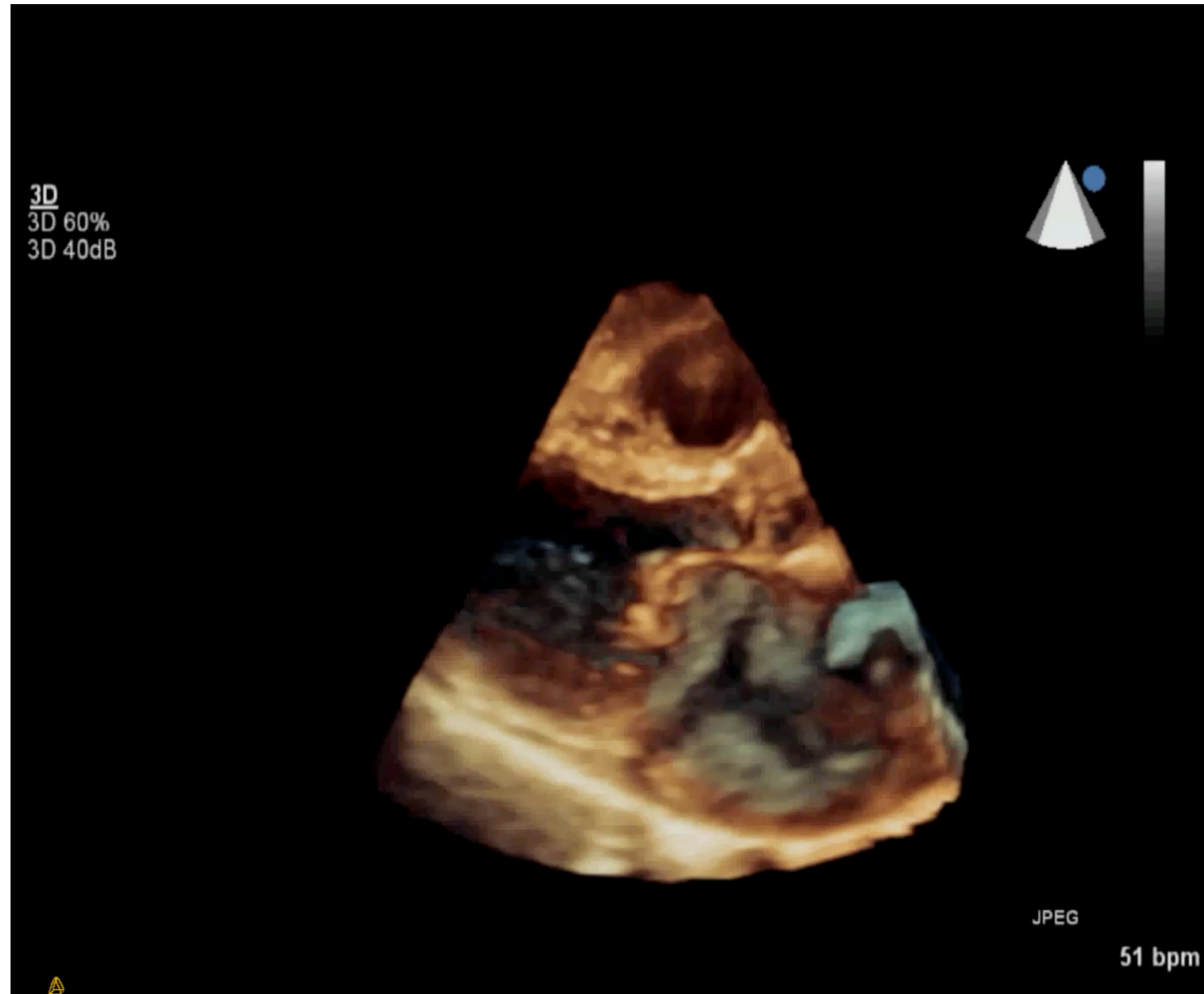
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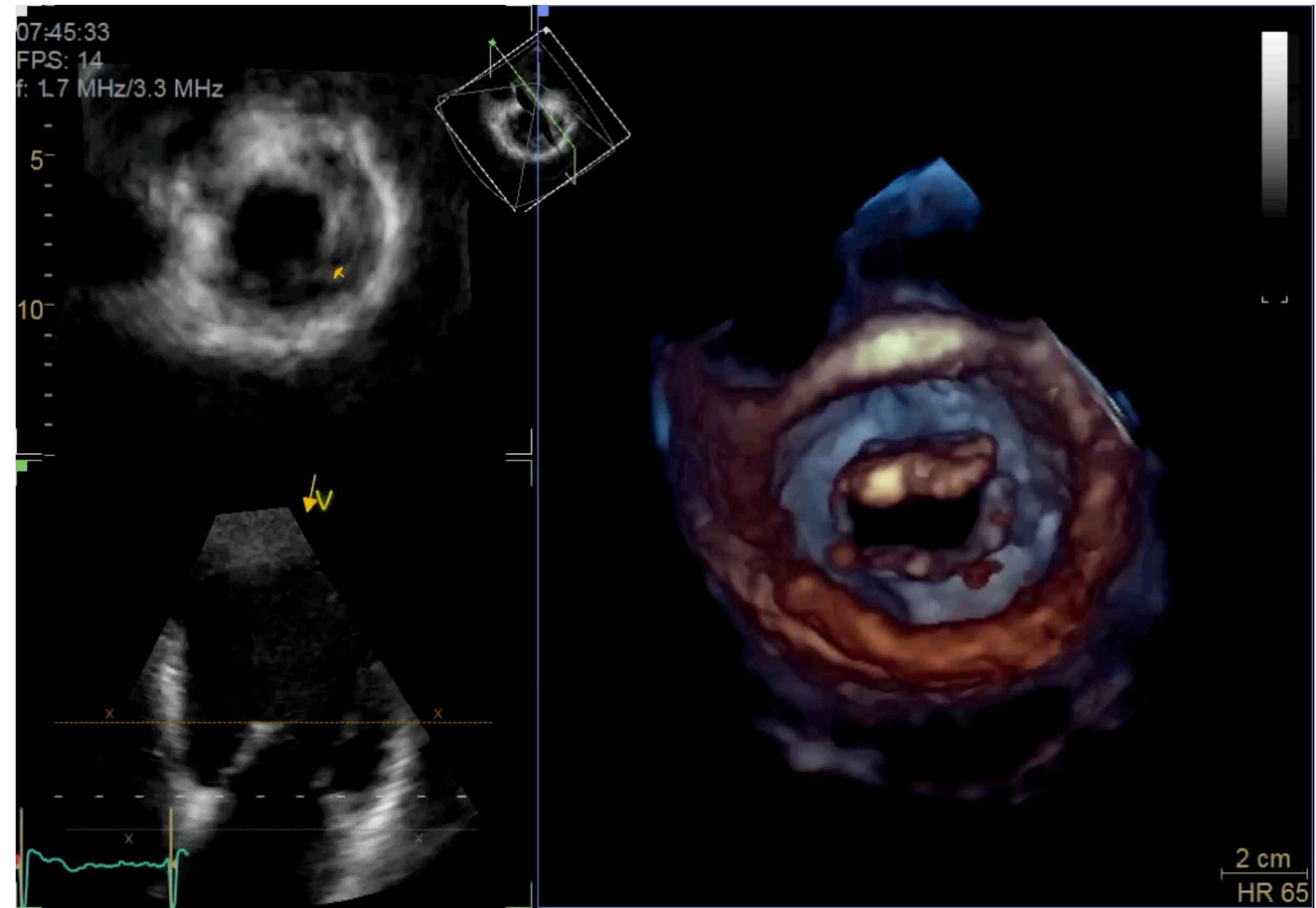
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Mitral Valve imaging



Mitral Stenosis

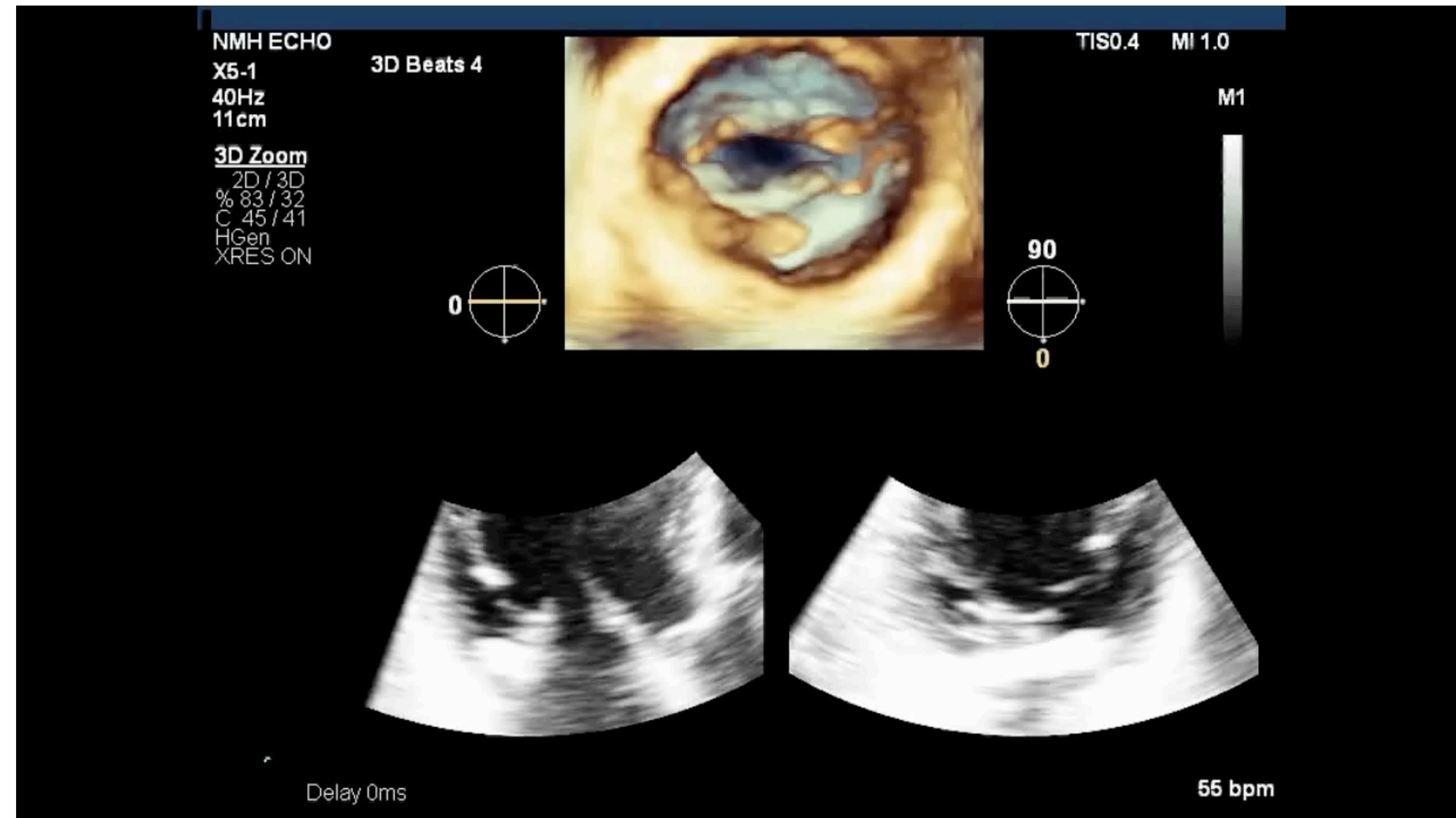


Mitral Regurgitation

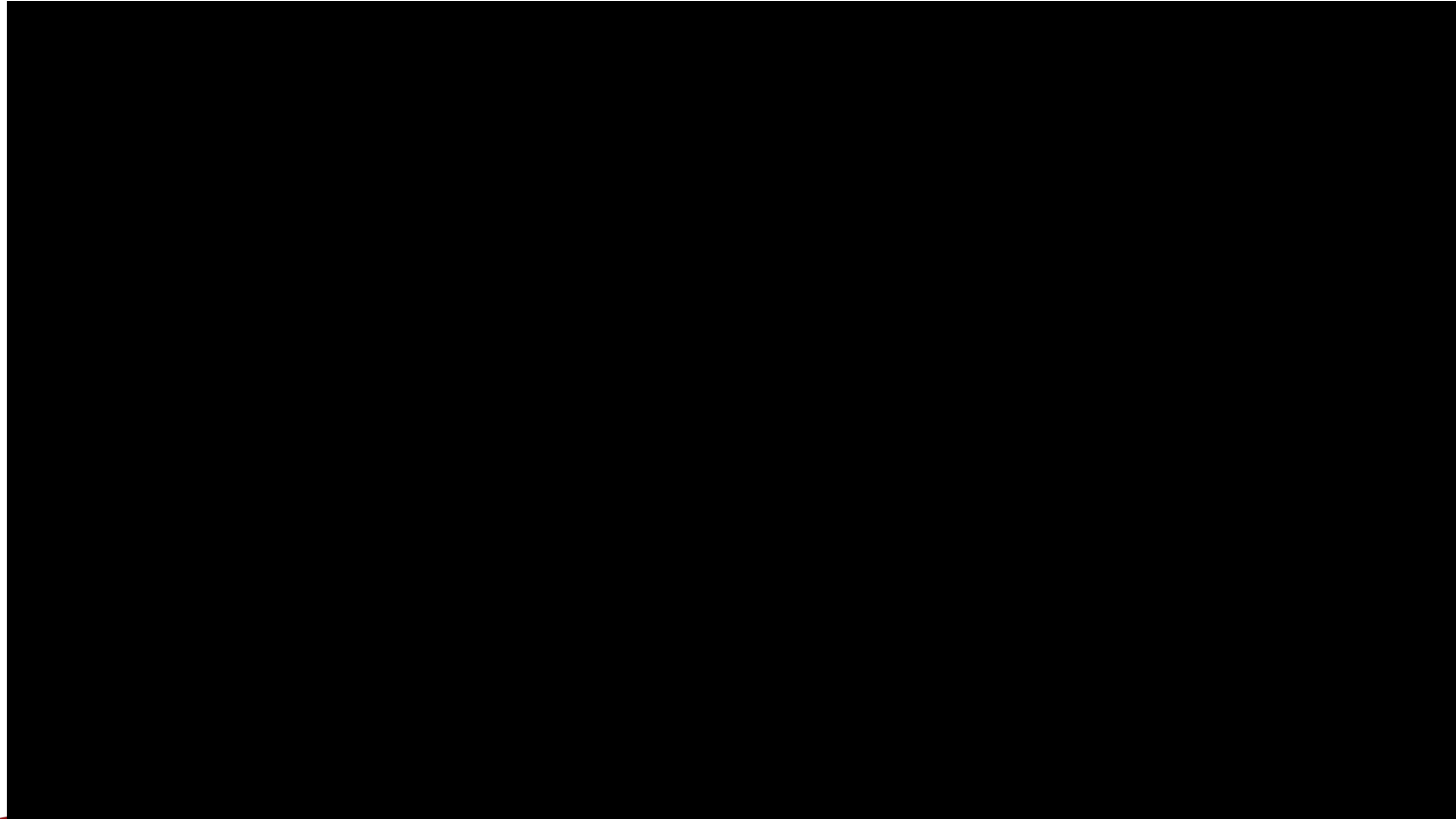


Components of a 3D volume

- ***Which 3D tool should I use?***
 - For valves, consider 3D zoom
 - Use multi-beat acquisition if applicable - improves frame rate
- ***What should I include in my volume?***
 - Mitral valve - seeing annulus and leaflets throughout the cardiac cycle
 - Surrounding structures for orientation



“Check for stitch, you will” - Yoda

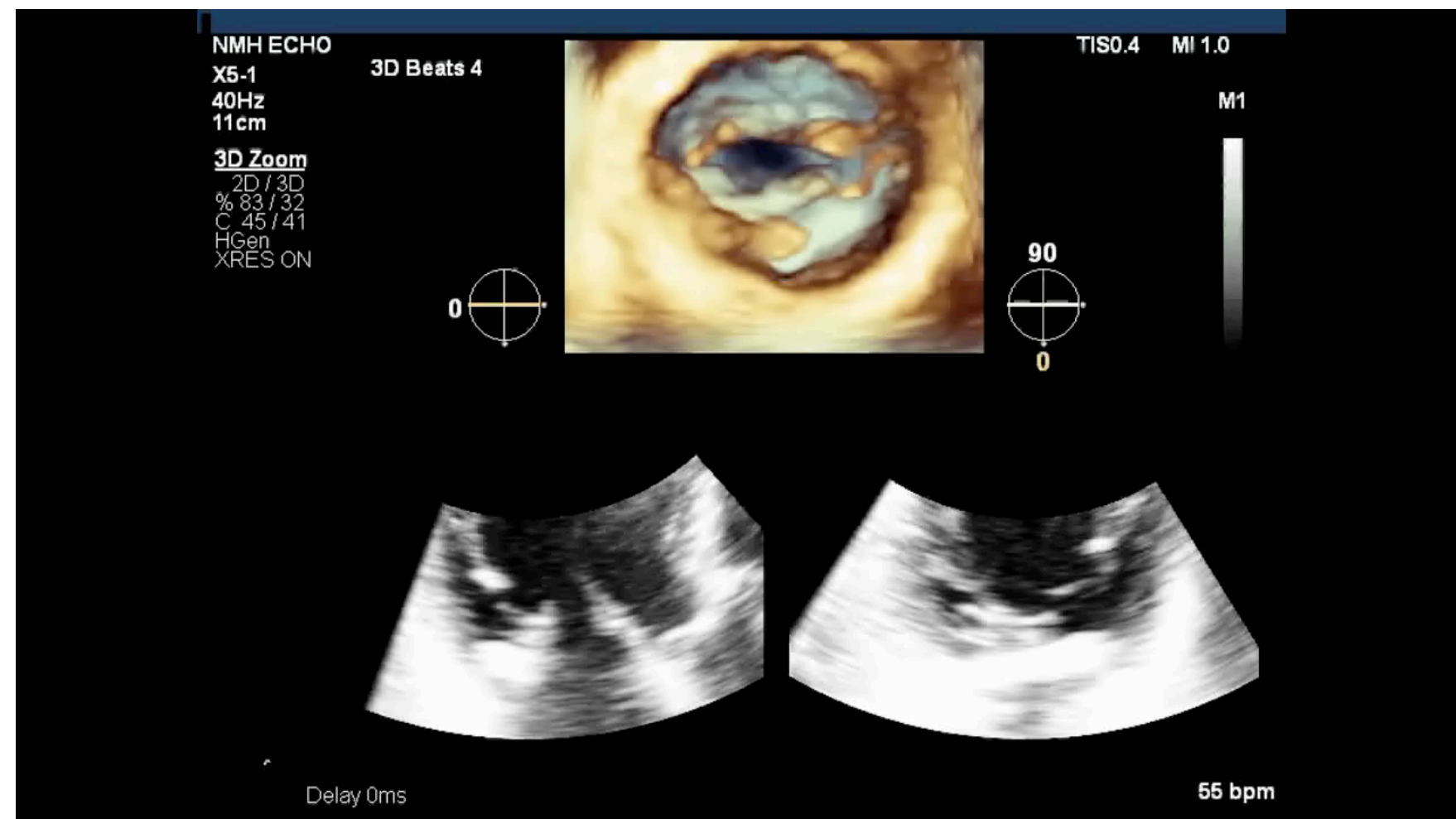


Steps:

- Rotate the image towards you
- Use cropping tool to fan through the volume



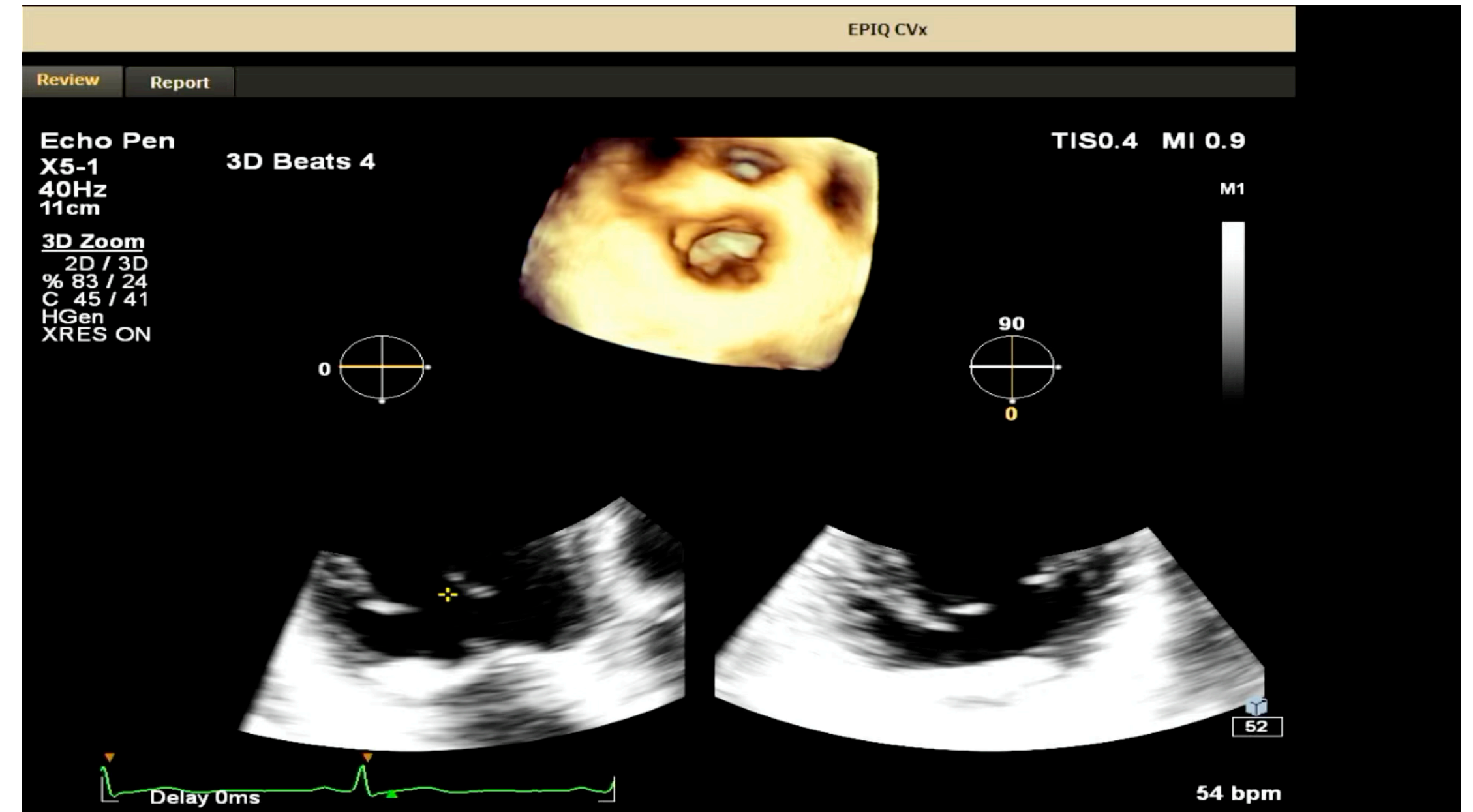
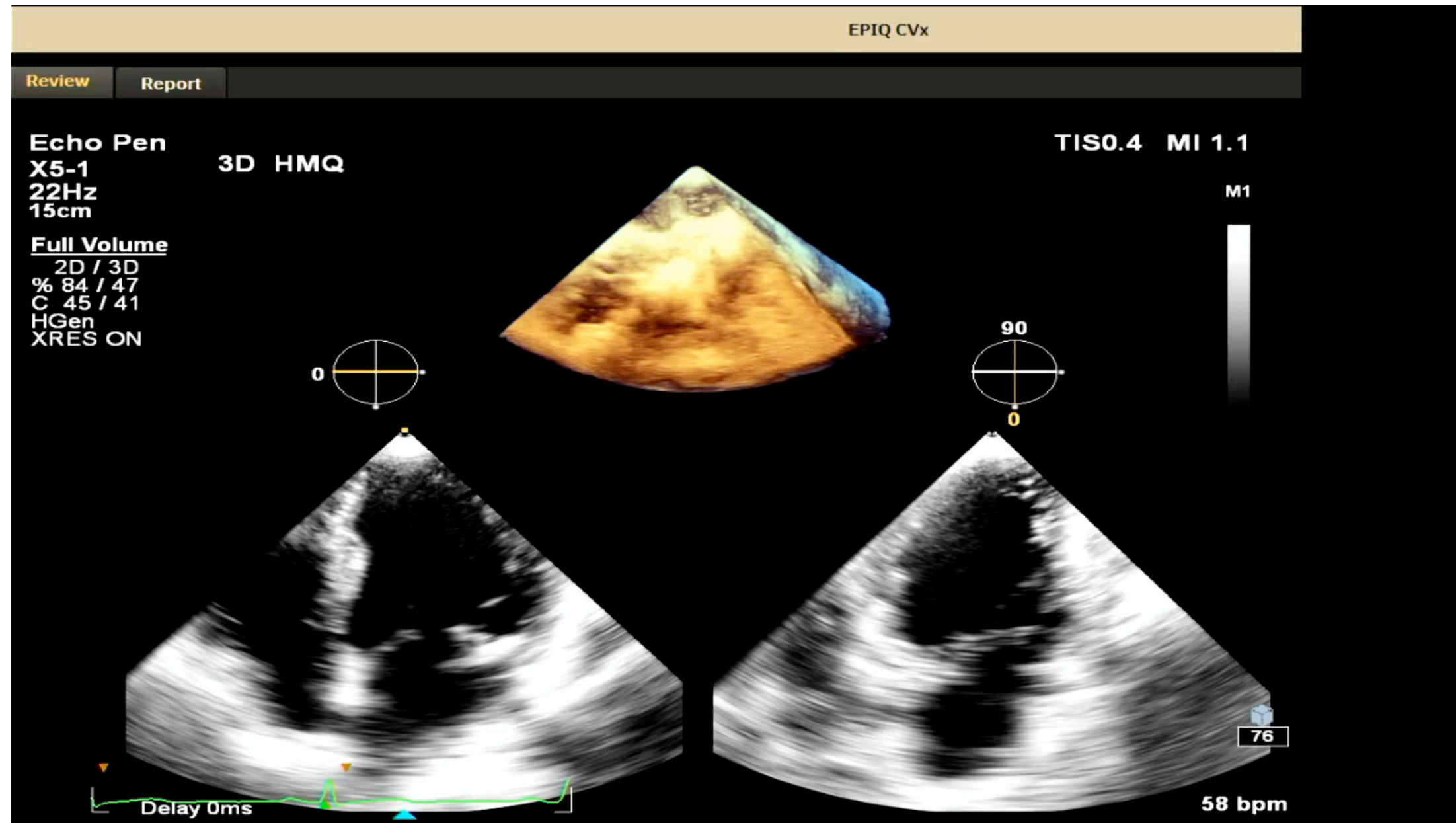
Adjusting 2D and 3D gain



- ***Adjusting 2D gain***
 - **Slightly over gain on acquisition - can always take out but hard to put back in**
 - **Will allow for more leaflet visualization**
 - **Adjust TGCs in location of valve**
- ***Adjusting 3D gain***
 - **Post-processing can adjust 3D gain to develop the depth in the image**
 - **Can also help with decreasing “smoothness” of the volume**



Focused cropping



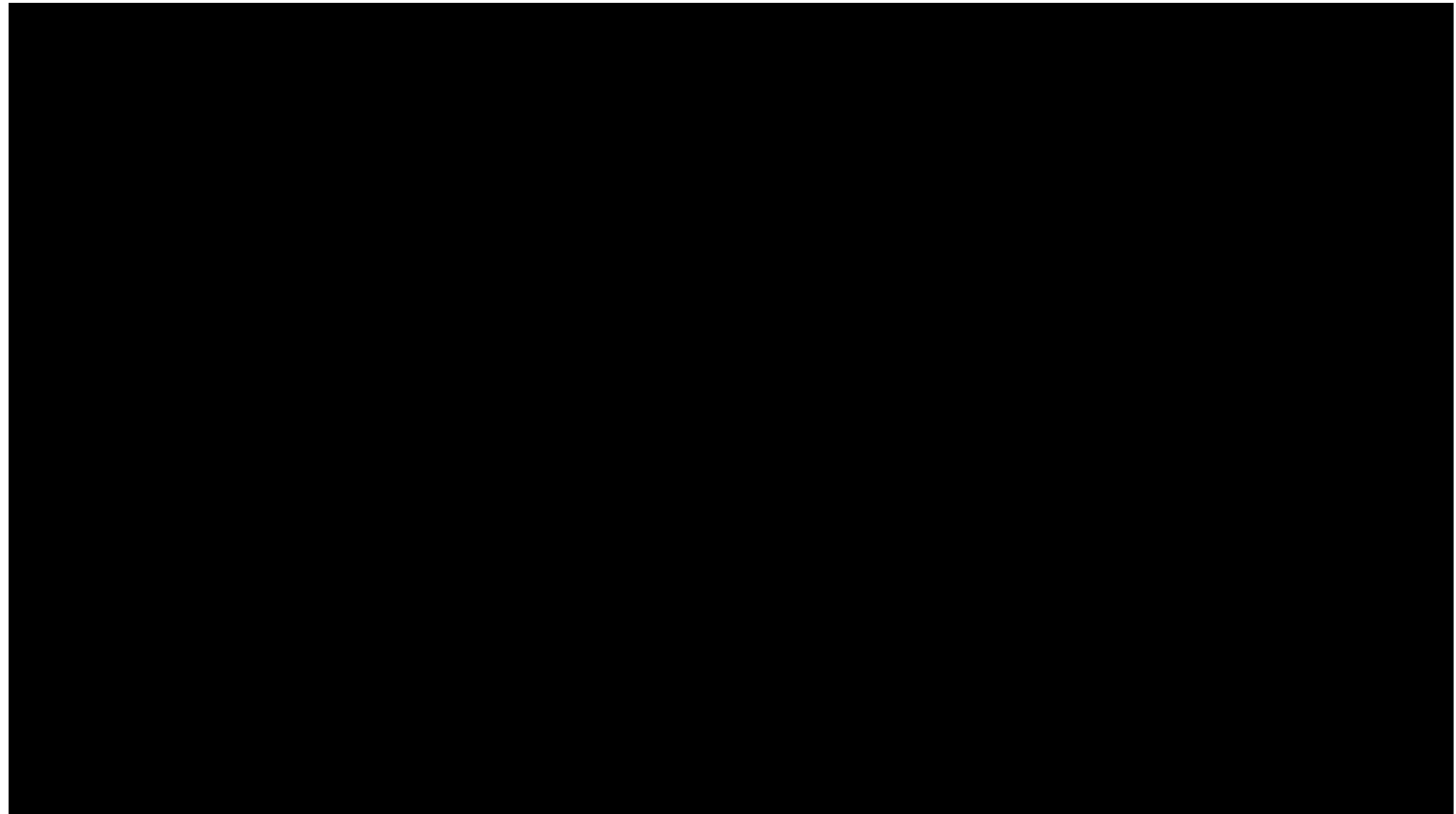
Cropping the MV and MV orientation

- ***Tips on performing MPR***
 - **Lock planes so they stay orthogonal to one another**
 - **Use reference planes to understand orientation and location**
 - **View short axis plane to view valve en-face**
 - **Viewing MV from LA gives most information**
 - **Rotate MV to standard orientation - anterior leaflet/ AV on top (both ventricular or atrial perspective)**

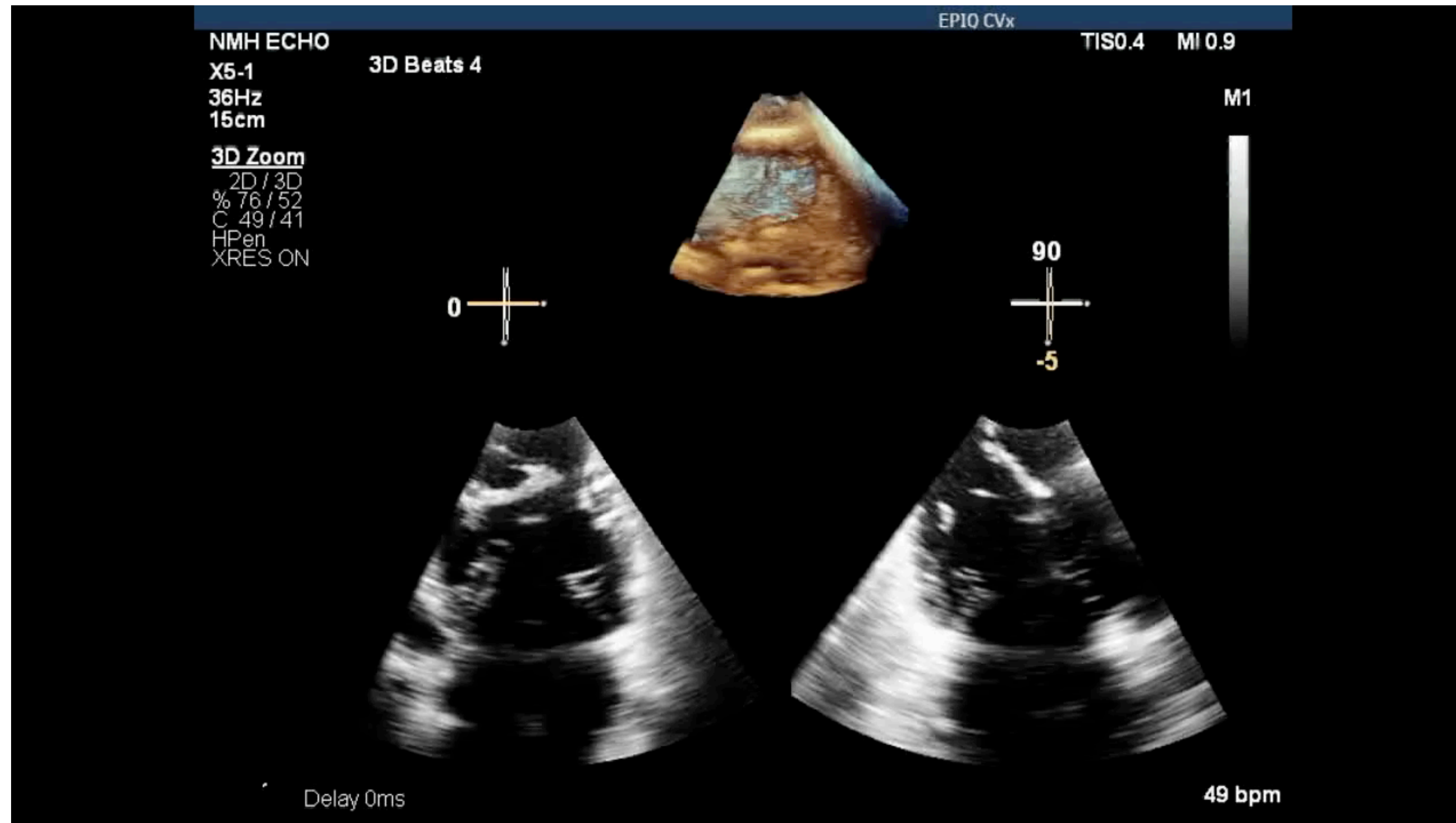


3D MV with color Doppler

- Any 3D tool can be used with color
- Before acquisition:
 - Adjust color box in both planes to encompass the lesion
 - Adjust color line density if necessary - may bring in jet better
- Post processing:
 - Crop from atria to visualize origin and mechanism of jet
 - Adjust color transparency to see anatomy behind it
 - Rotate to standard orientation



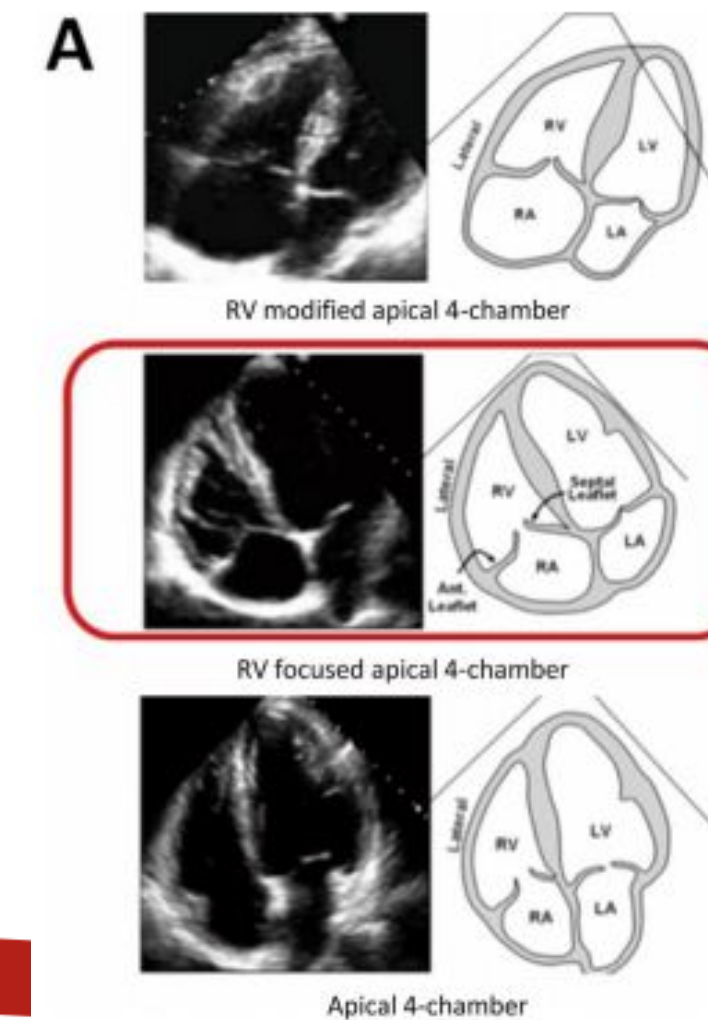
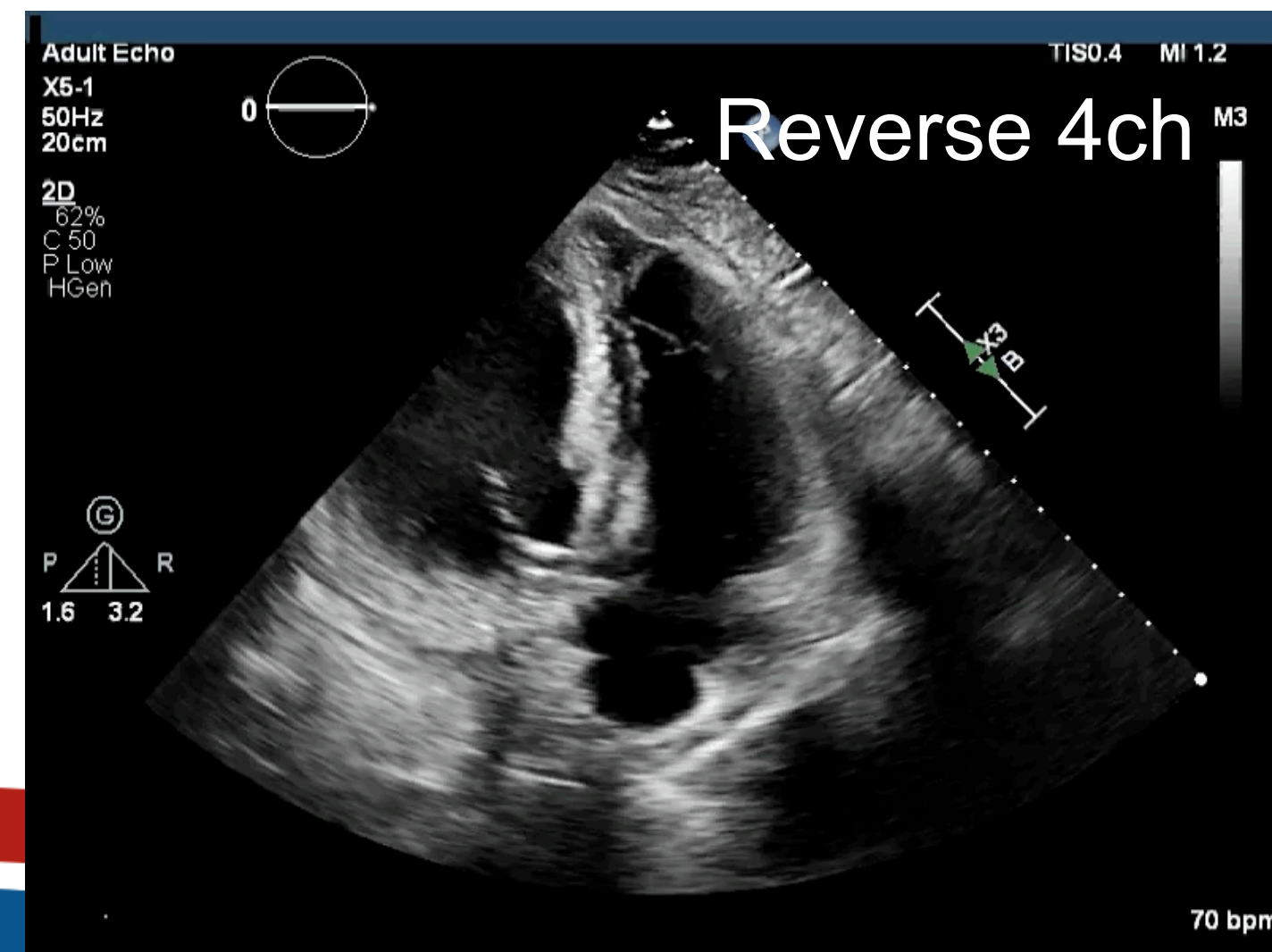
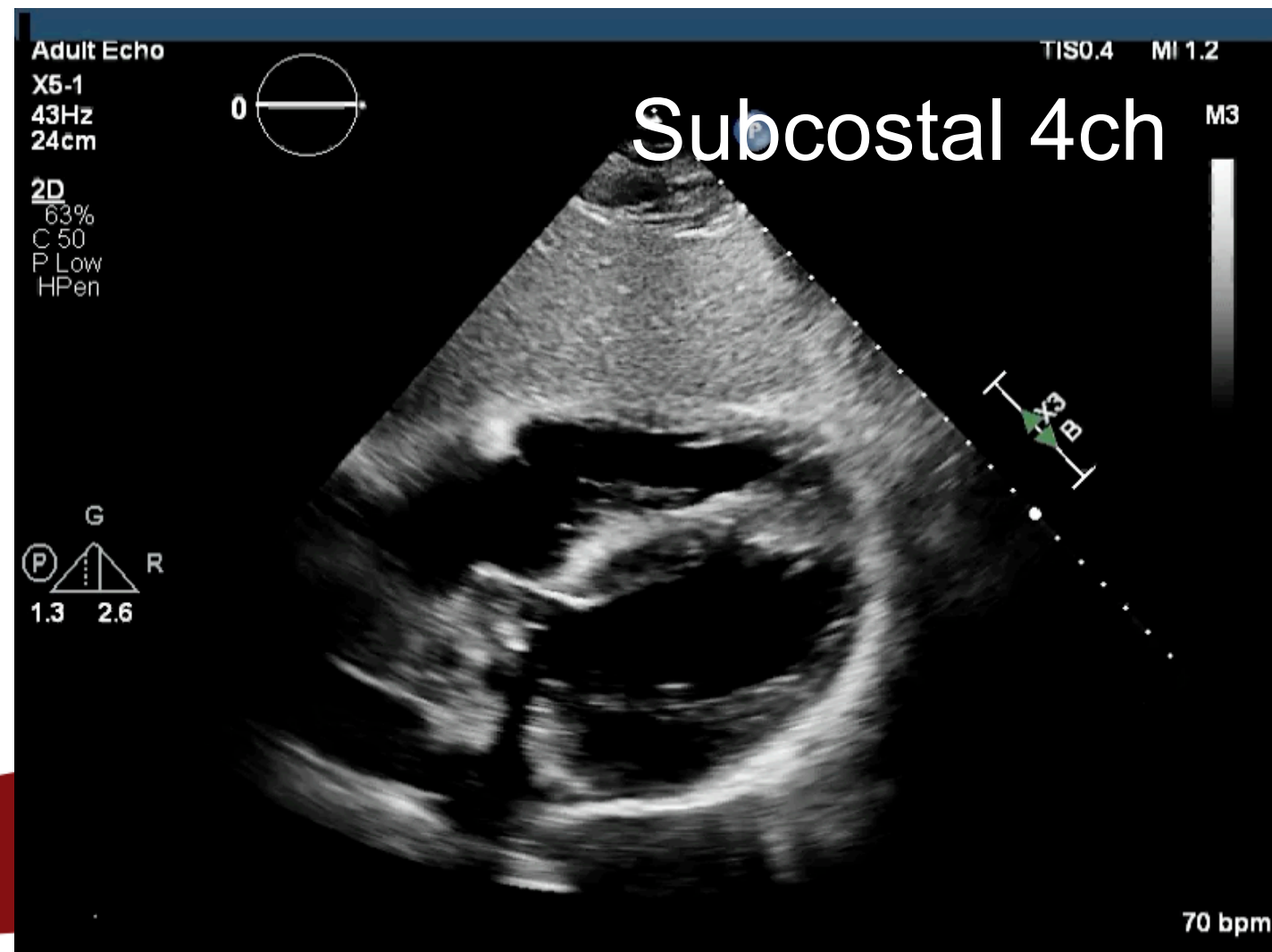
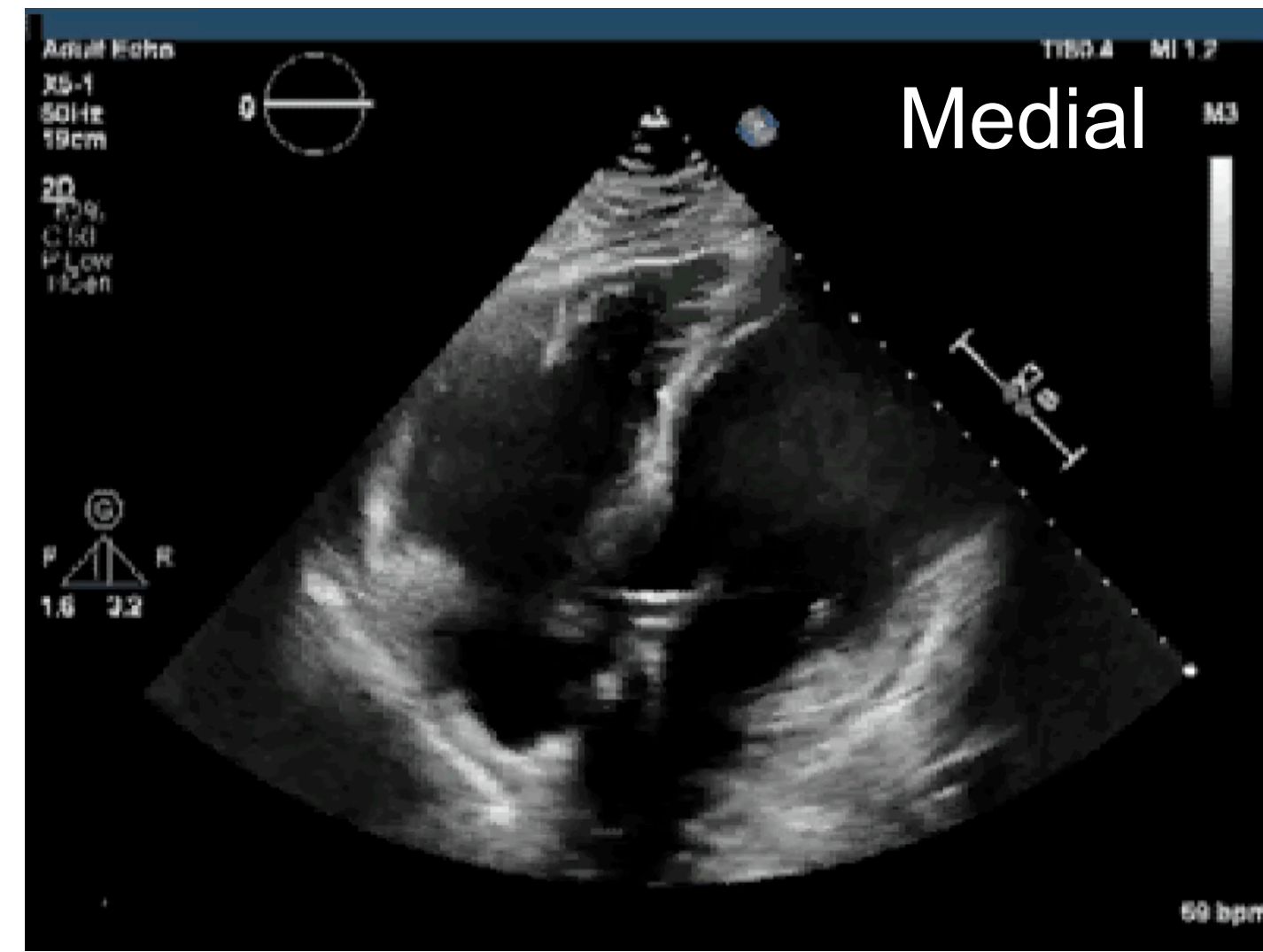
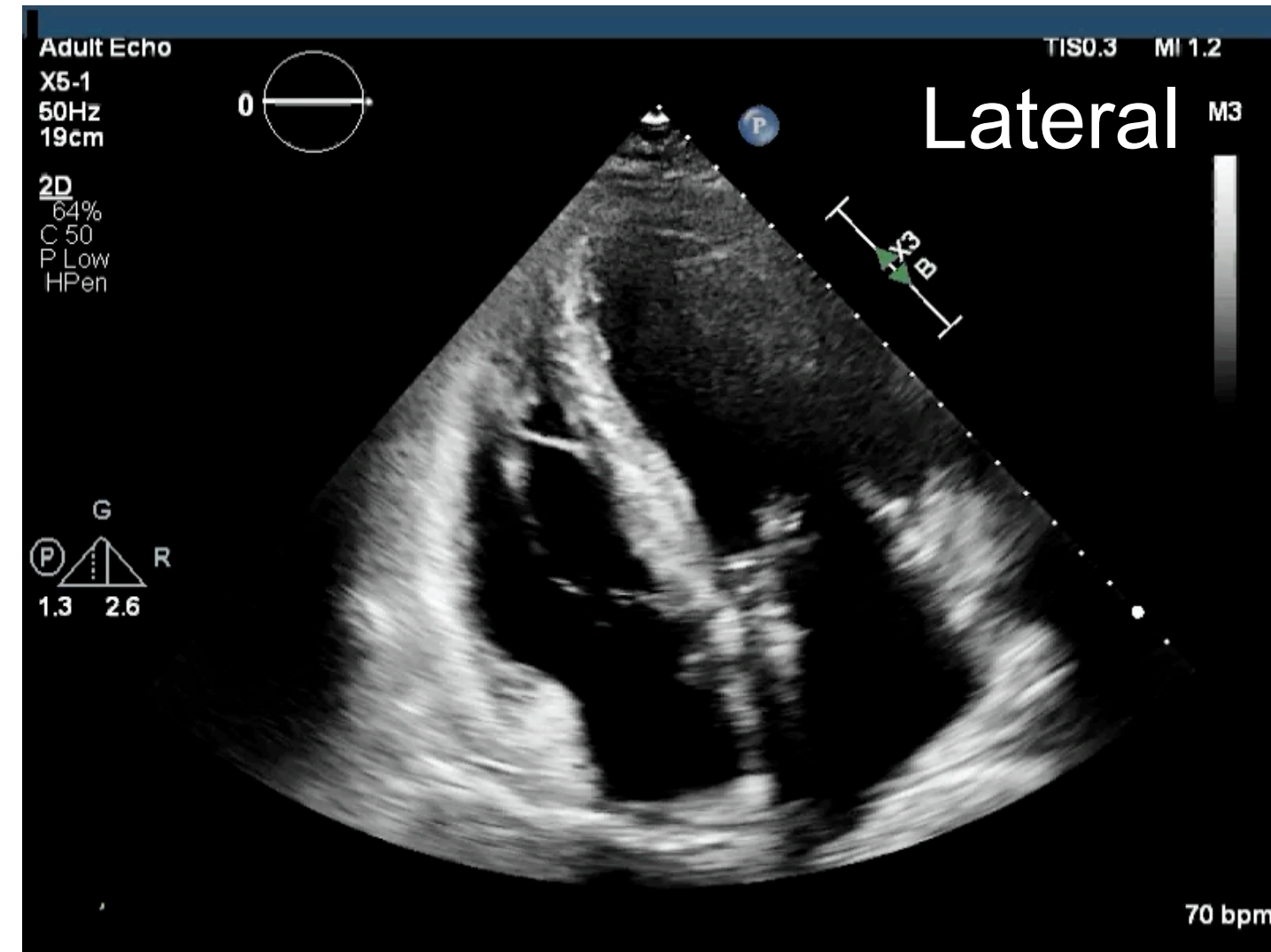
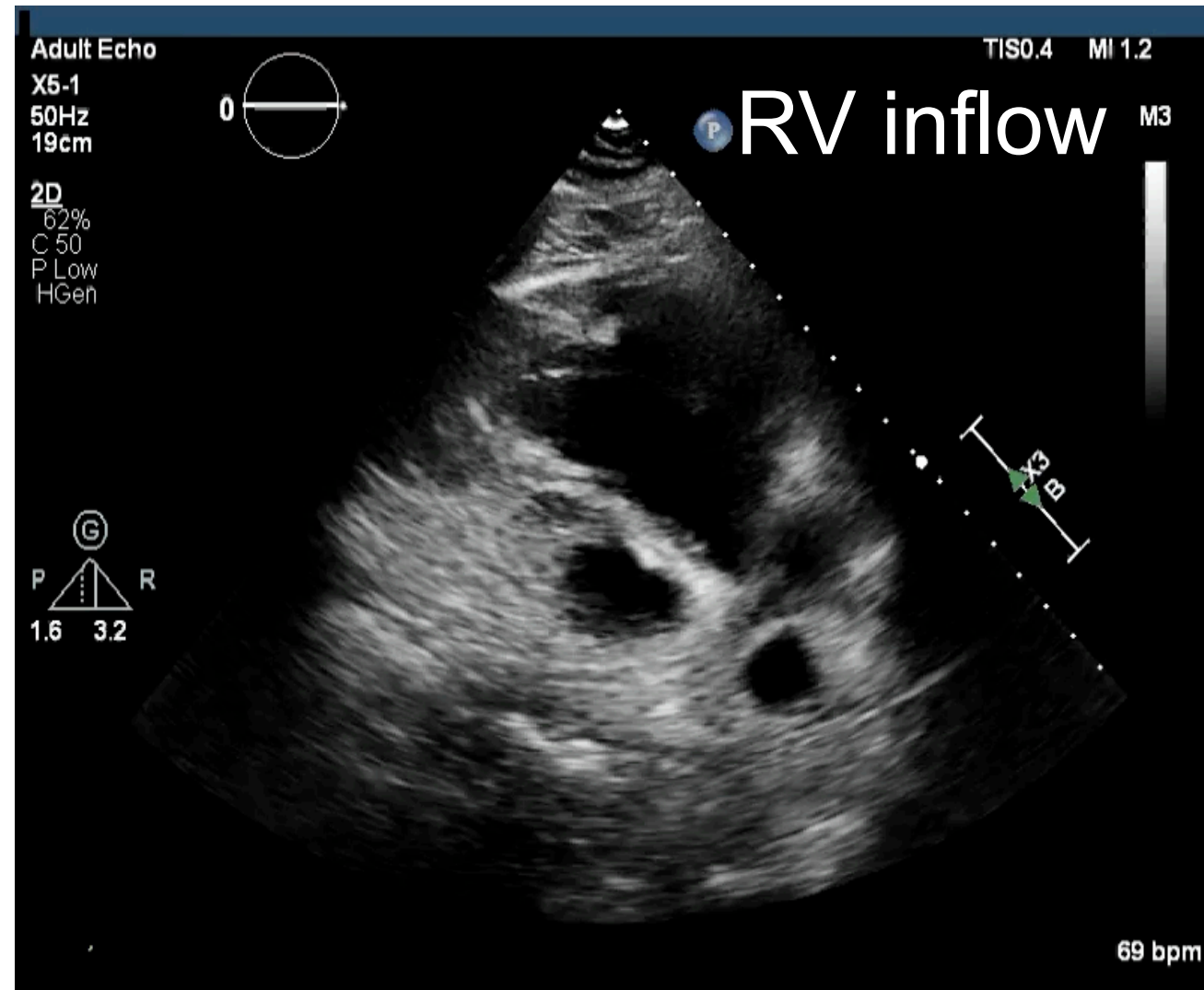
Tricuspid Valve imaging



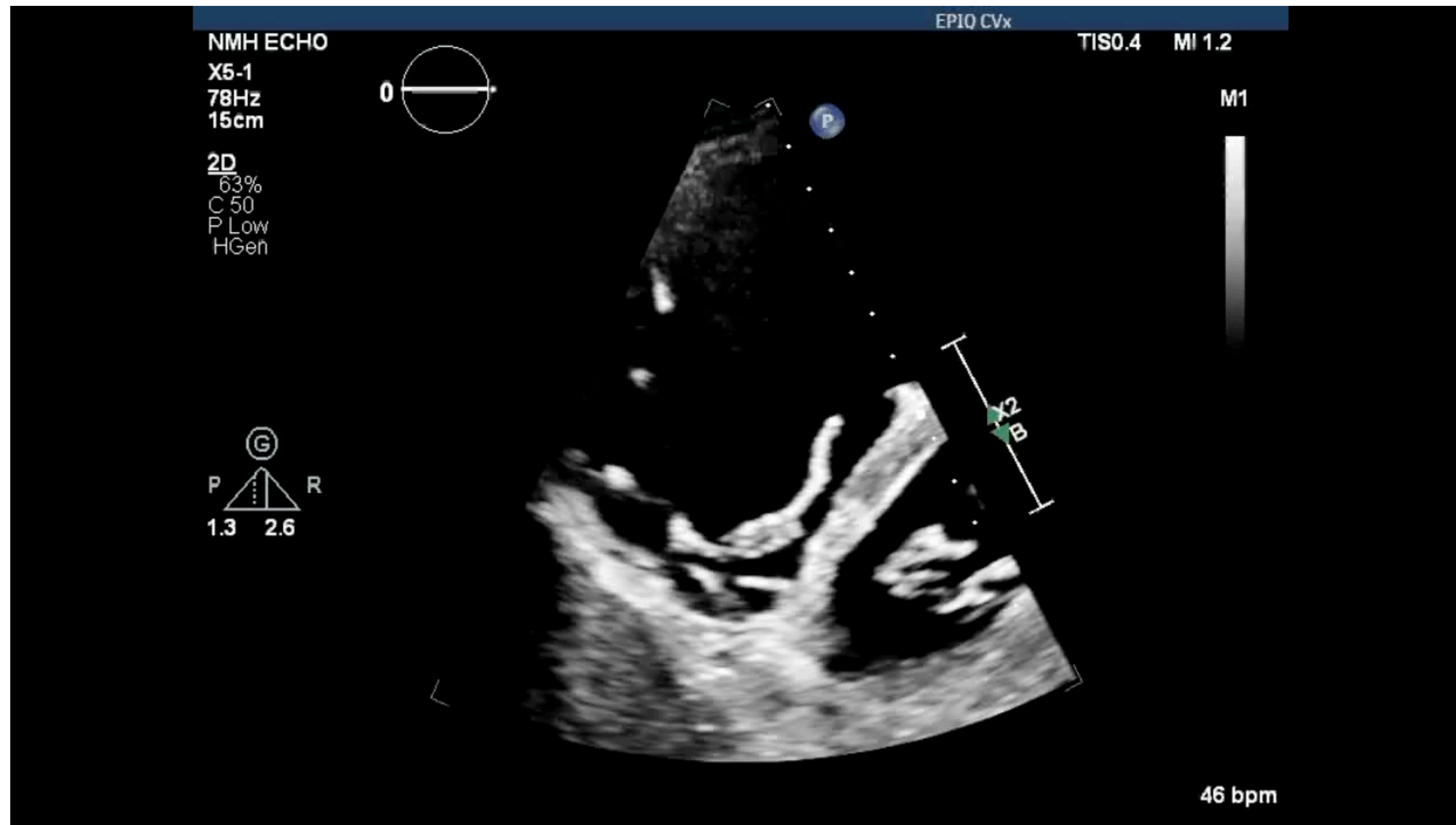
- ***What should I include in my volume?***
 - **Tricuspid valve - seeing annulus and leaflets throughout the cardiac cycle**
 - **Surrounding structures for orientation**
- ***Which view should I use?***
 - **Wherever you can see the valve the best**
 - **Unlike LVEF, does not rely on volumes so off axis images OK**



Using multiple windows



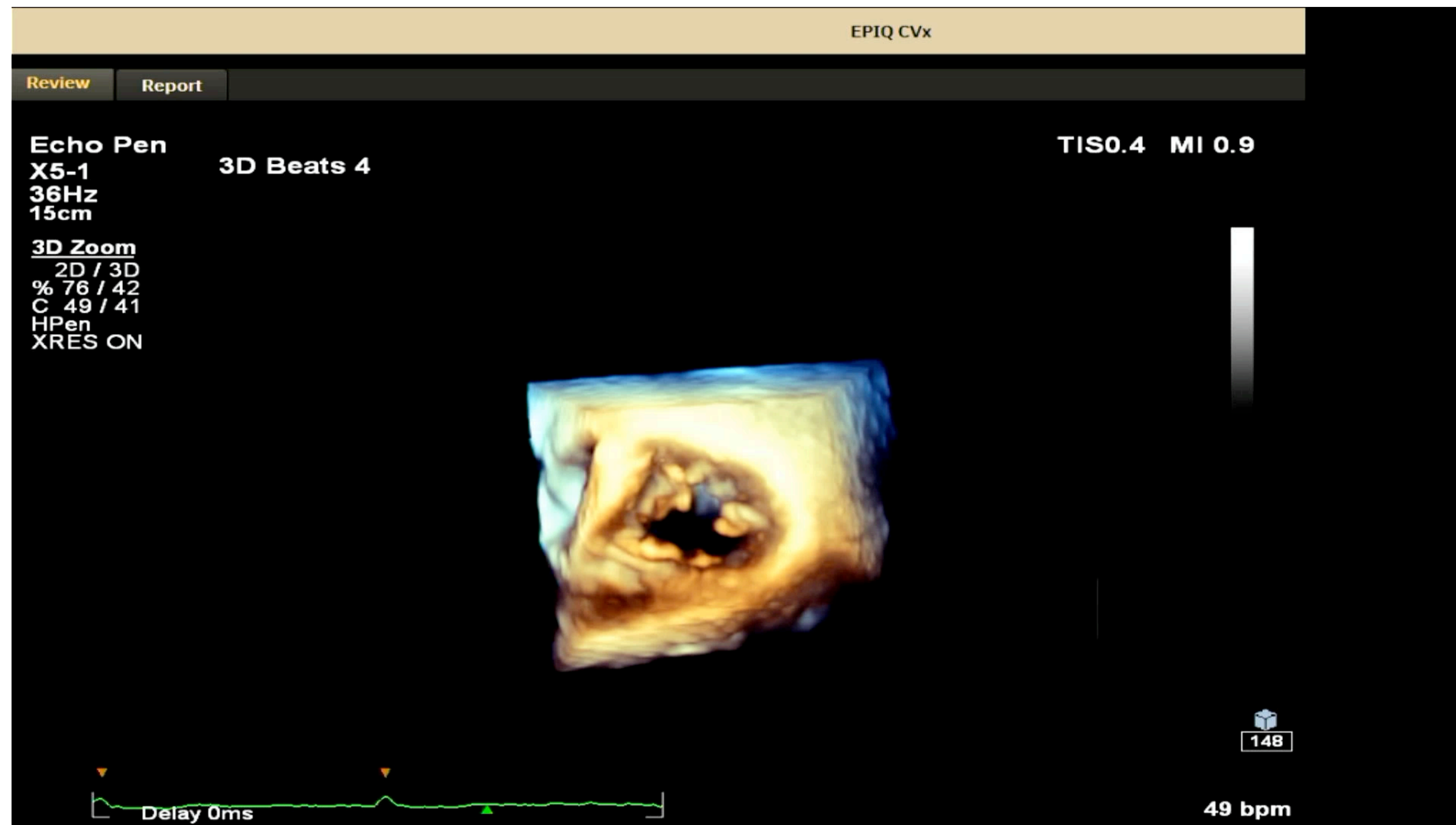
What does 3D valve imaging add to my TTE exam?



- **Valve anatomy**
- **Relationship to other structures**
- **Ventricular *and* atrial perspective**
- **Allows rotation and visualization of hard to see structures**



TV orientation

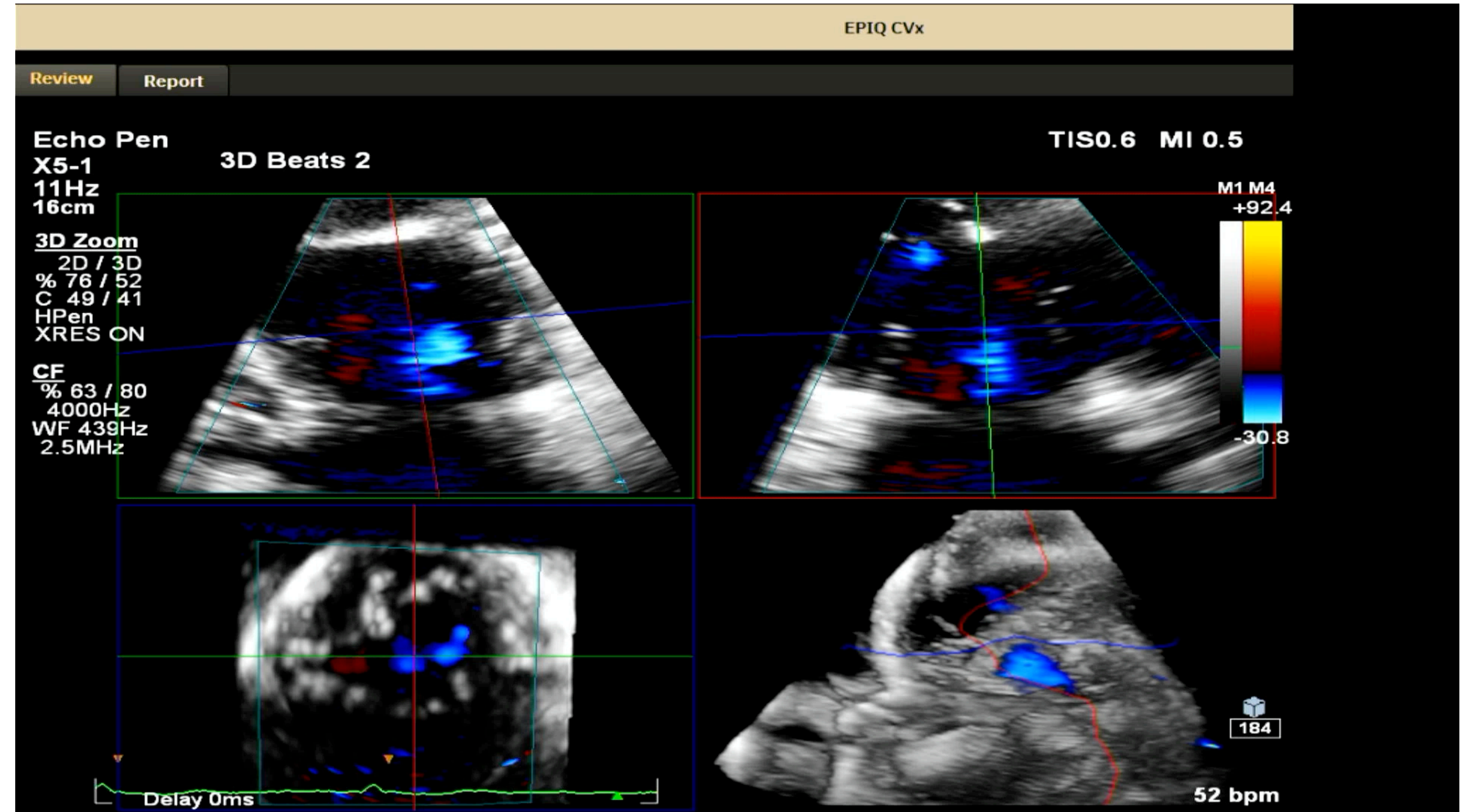


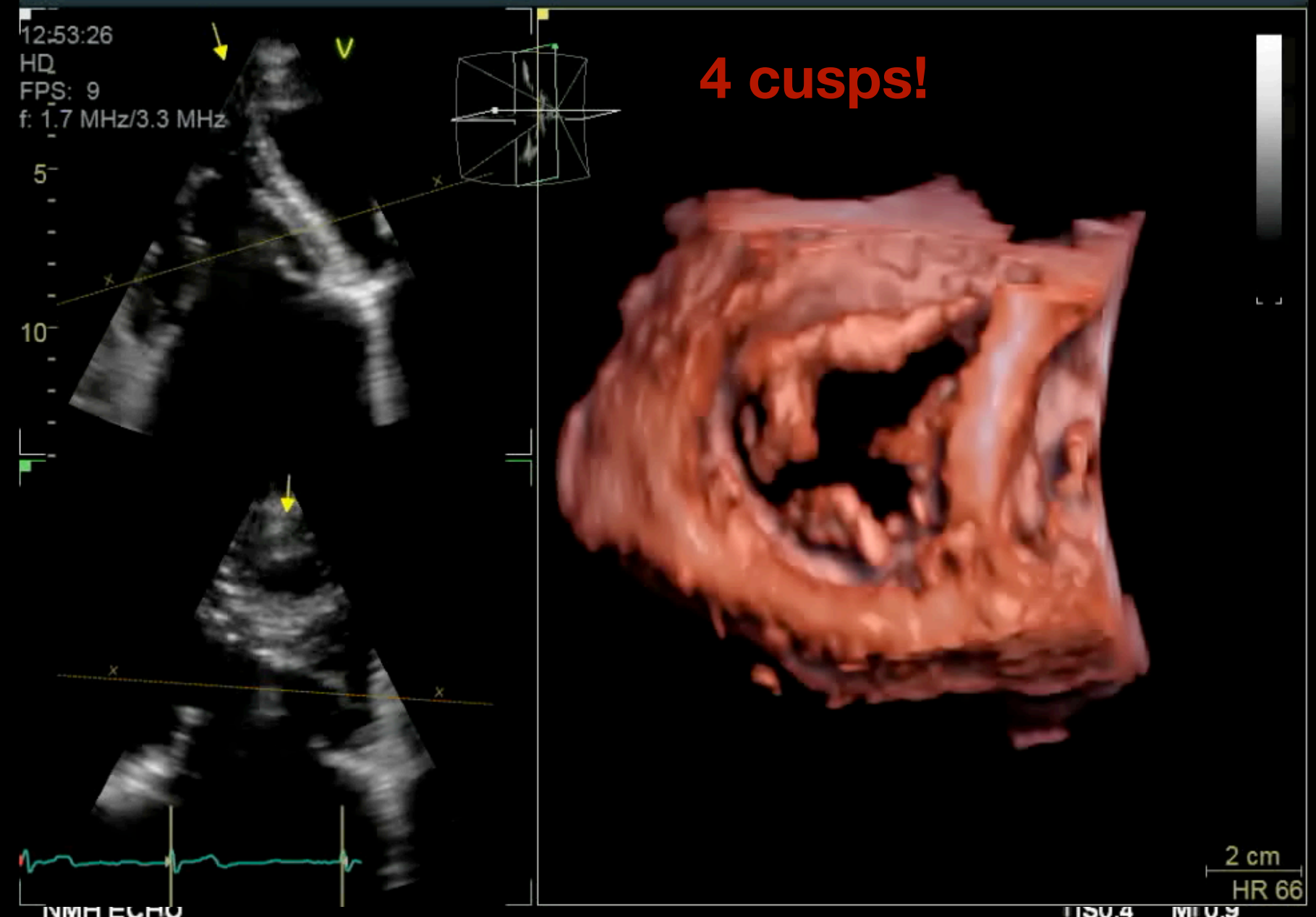
- **After cropping, rotate to standard orientation before saving**
 - **ASE/ESE guidelines suggest septal leaflet to 6 o'clock**
 - **Interventional cases use septal leaflet at 3 o'clock, AV at 5 o'clock**
 - **Make sure to establish in your institution**
- **VERY important to ensure consistency**



Using MPR to measure PISA

- Lock planes - keeps planes orthogonal to one another
- Scroll through the cardiac cycle to the peak velocity (higher frame rate, more frames to choose from)
- Adjust cross-sectional line across leaflet tips and longitudinal lines through the valve
- Utilize “hide color”
- Can measure biplane PISA radius or trace EROA in the short axis view

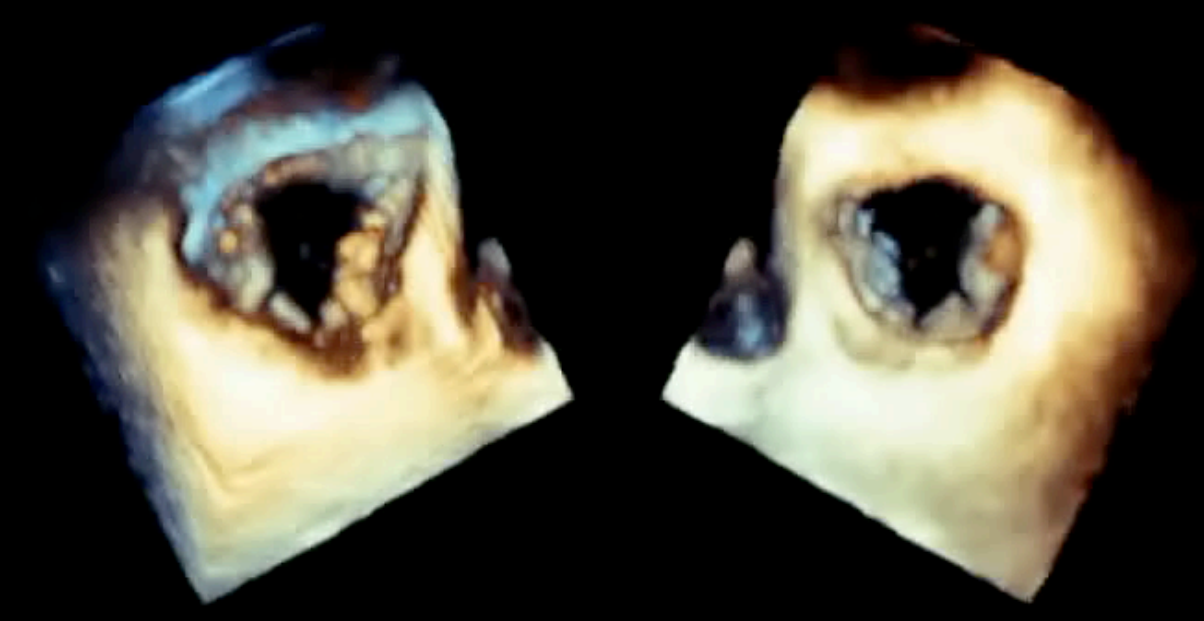




4 cusps!

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 X5-1
 36Hz
 15cm
 Full Volume
 2D / 3D
 % 76 / 44
 C 49 / 41
 HPen
 XRES ON

3D Beats 4



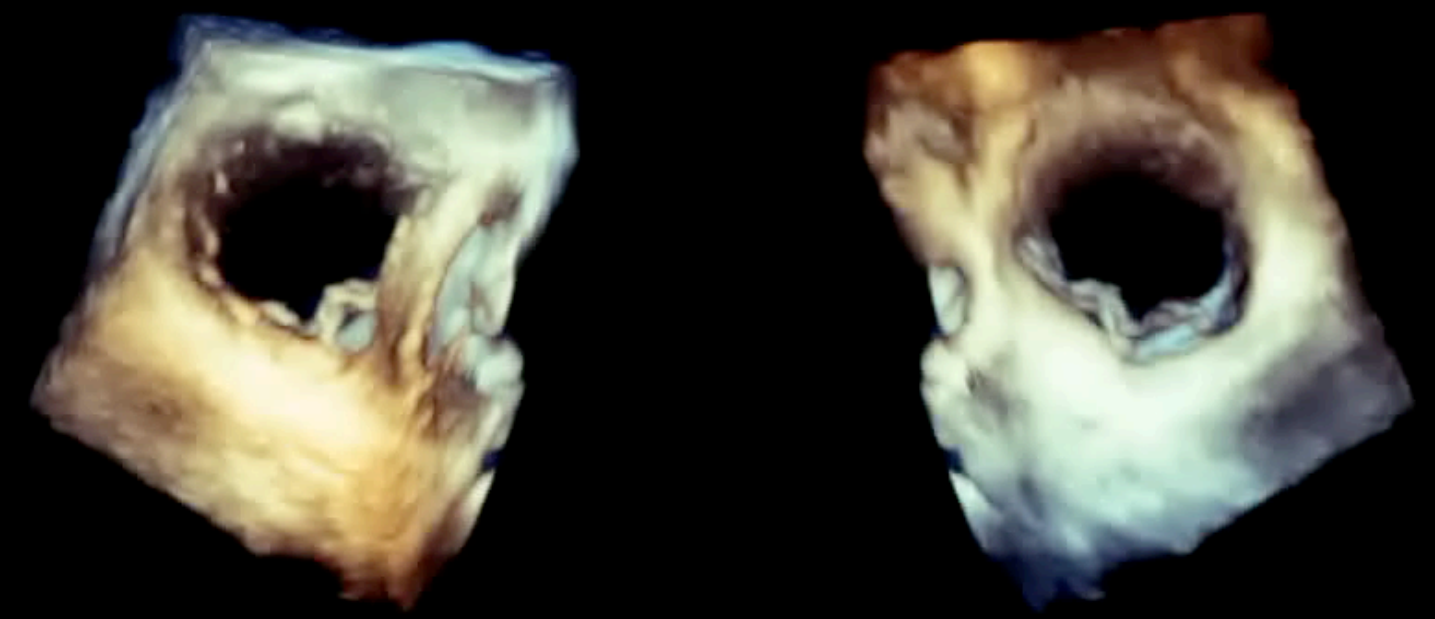
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Delay 0ms

49 bpm

NMH ECHO
 X5-1
 7Hz
 15cm
 3D Zoom
 2D / 3D
 % 78 / 52
 C 49 / 41
 HPen

3D Beats 1



5 cusps!

51 bpm



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Mahalo!