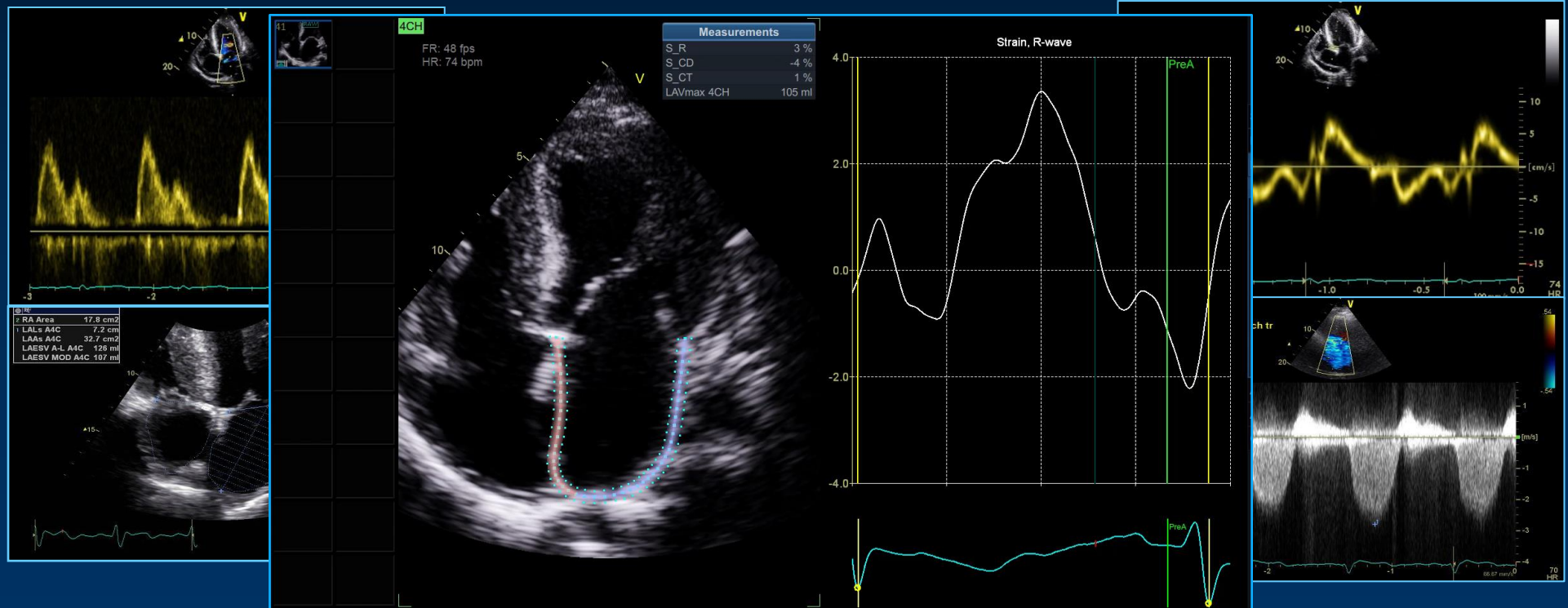


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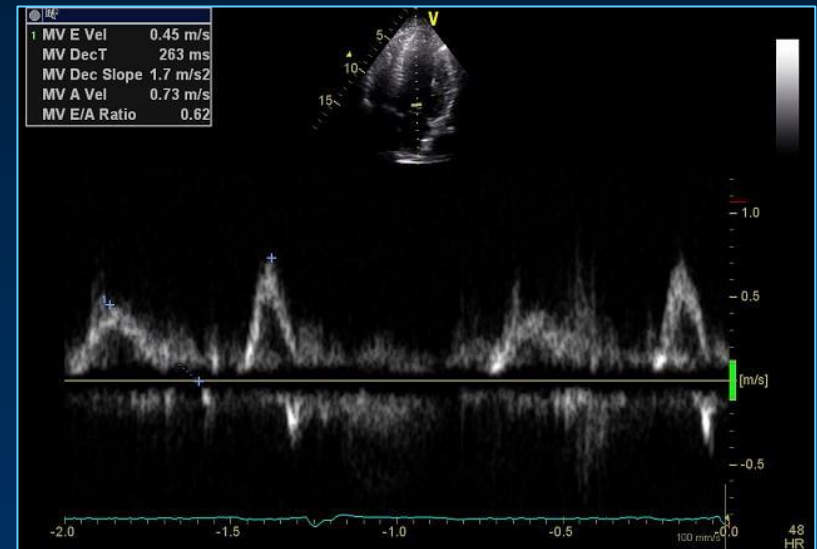
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What Will the New Guidelines Say?

- Introduction
- Physiology
- 2016 guidelines
- Case presentations
- Preliminary 2025 guidelines



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Diastology: What Does the New Updated Guideline Do for You?



My wife recently said to me that the mitral “E’s and A’s” have been good to me over the years. What does she mean? She is referring to the Doppler assessment of diastolic function. I wanted this President’s page to focus on a topic that is close to my heart, “Diastology.” This is not “Systology,” which is actually intrinsically linked to diastole (global longitudinal strain as an example) but a field that I have been working in for a long time. In fact, there have been over 30,000 publications on diastolic function in the last 20 years. I was taught by the “Diastology” masters including Drs. Hatle, Tajik, Seward, and Thomas. In fact, I was so enthusiastic about diastolic function that I have written a book called “Diastology” and have held yearly symposiums for the last 17 years on the topic.

Why is ‘Diastology’ important to the ASE? Recently Drs. Sherif Nagueh and Otto Smiseth led a team of investigators from ASE and EACVI (who like to ‘relax’ in diastole) in updating the 2009 diastole guideline.¹ The new recommendations on diastolic function were published in JASE in April 2016. After some very interesting and intense

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What does the new algorithm show? Let me tell you! In my view, it is very straightforward to diagnose two conditions: elevated LV filling pressures with Grade 3 diastolic function when the mitral E/A ratio is > 2 or normal filling pressures and Grade 1 diastolic function when the E/A ratio is ≤ 8 and the mitral E-wave



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Ongoing Dialogue

Subject: DIASTOLIC FUNCTION/DYSFUNCTION

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Original Post
08-04-2017 06:32 Good morning All. I had a discussion two days ago with a Cardiologist who doesn't believe in the a...

 Enrique Garcia-Sayan
08-05-2017 09:51 That is a silly silly statement your physician made. Diastolic function evaluation is a key compone...

 Timothy McKeever
08-05-2017 12:28 Well Adeoye. As far as clinical treatment goes, your cardiologist asked the \$64,000 question. The...

 Neil Feinglass
08-06-2017 08:23 I have been involved with the care of these patients for many years and have a strong interest...

 Madhav Swaminathan
08-10-2017 07:57 I agree with Dr. Feinglass. We have been reporting diastolic parameters intraoperatively for more...

1. DIASTOLIC FUNCTION/DYSFUNCTION 0 Recommend


 Olayinka Wemimo Adeoye
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Good morning All,

I had a discussion two days ago with a Cardiologist who doesn't believe in the assessment of diastolic function/dysfunction during echo studies, he doesn't take the measurements (E wave, A wave, DcT etc) and you can't find those parameters in his report(s). He asked me this question which I'm yet to answer and I promised to get back to him.

He asked 'How does diastolic function/dysfunction assessment affects the management of my patients or influence my decision on how to treat them', 'What role does the numbers plays in treating or managing the patients (be it heart failure, hypertension etc)'.


I will appreciate your thoughts and contributions, I want to know your views about it, If its actually




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Subject: April Diastology Update

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Original Post
04-29-2016 18:08 [Re: Recommendations for the Evaluation of Left Ventricular Diastolic Function by Echocardiograph...](#)

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04-30-2016 11:54 Dear Ken I thank you on behalf of ASE/EACVI writing group. There is an upcoming webinar on Ma...

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Diastology finally makes sense.

My preliminary reports are more accurate now that I have eliminated borderline conclusions. Looking back at the old ASE chart I can see what the ideas were but now they are very clear.

A big thank you goes out to the writing group.

Ken Koblas, BS, RDCS



**“Diastology finally makes sense..
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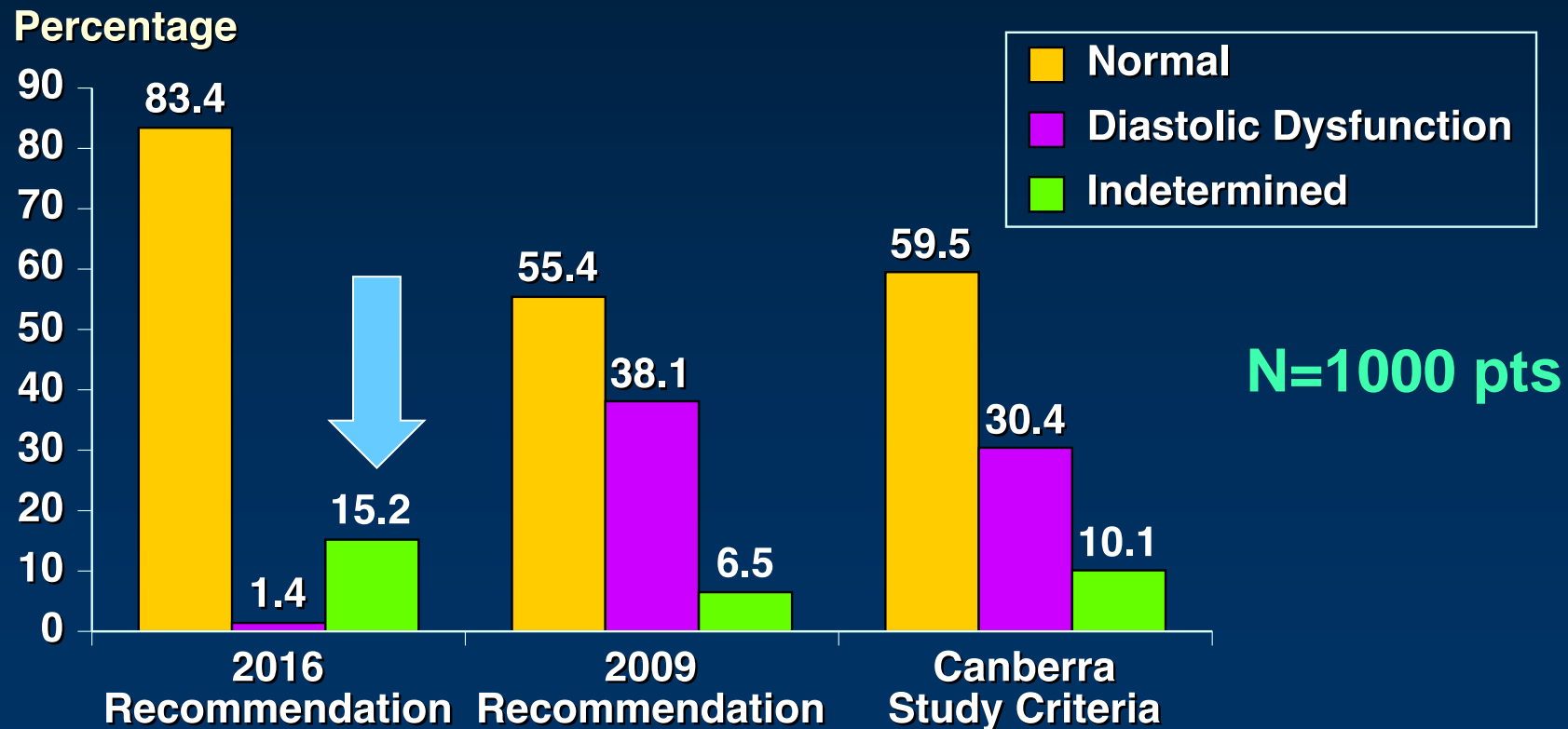
Troubles with 2016 Guidelines

- Incomplete data
- Conflicting parameters
- Uncertainty about who is in or not
- Association with HFpEF
- Indeterminate findings



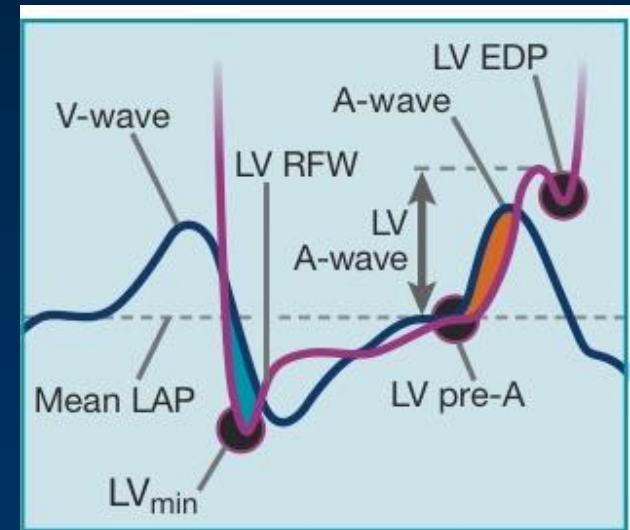
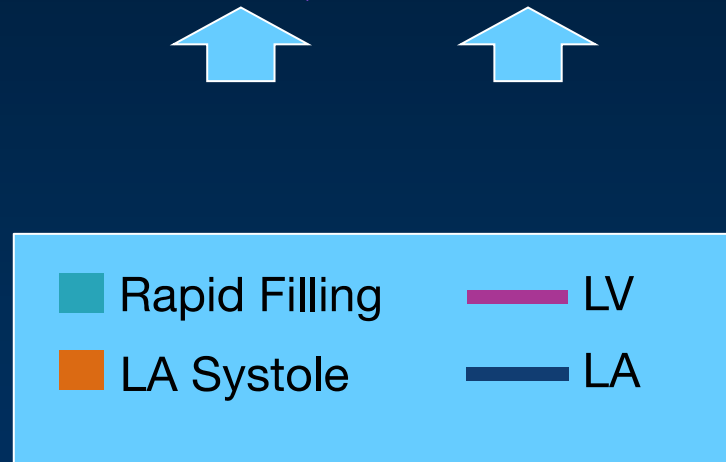
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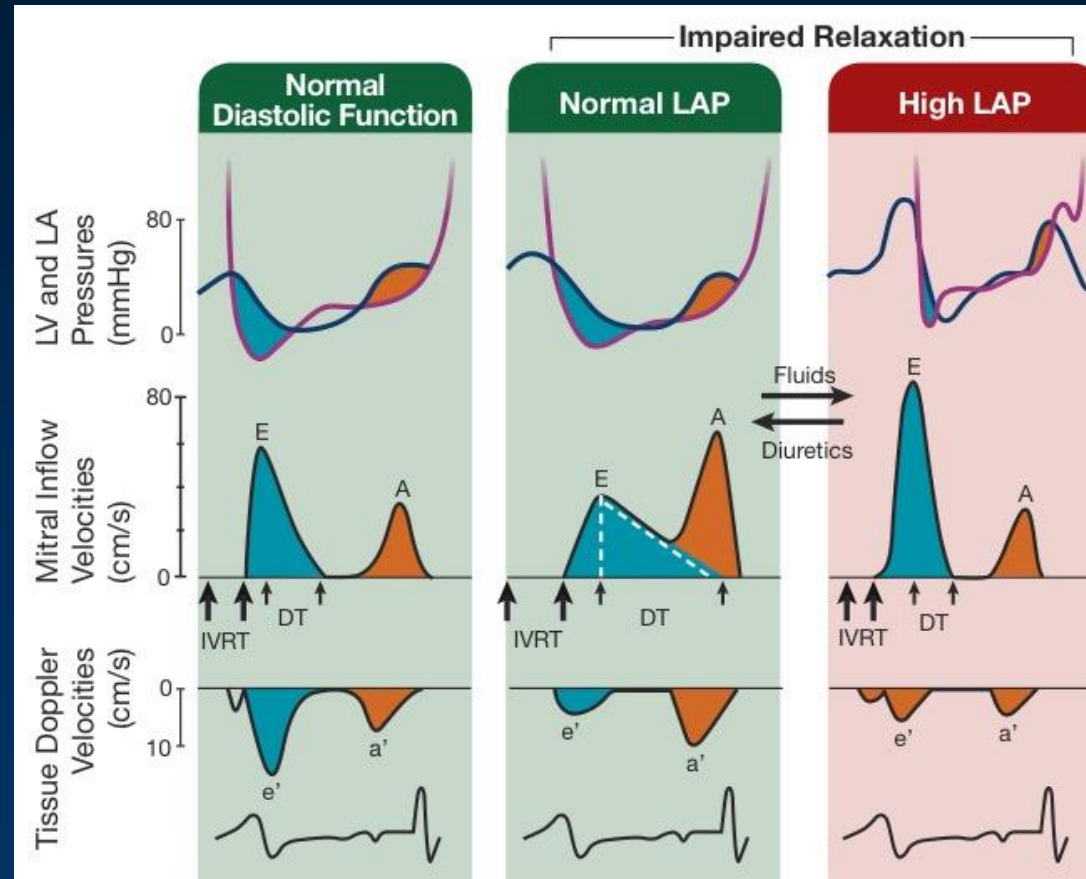


Relation of Mitral Inflow and TD Velocities with LV Filling Pressures

LA and LV Diastolic Pressures
Mean LAP, Pre-A wave and LVEDP



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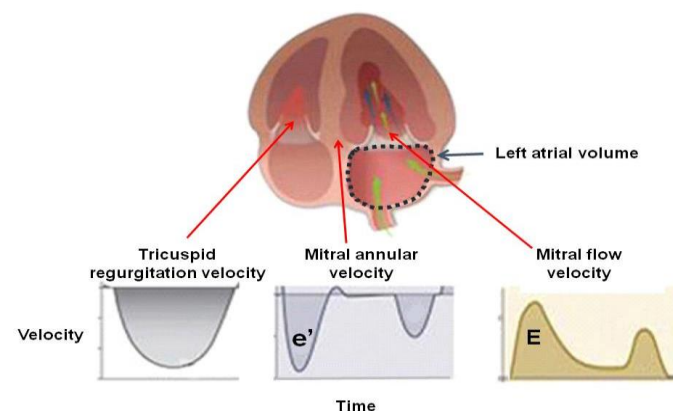


Key Diastology Parameters

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Diastology

Common Questions

Which Algorithm?

- Is there diastolic dysfunction or a high likelihood of diastolic dysfunction?
- How to estimate LV filling pressure?

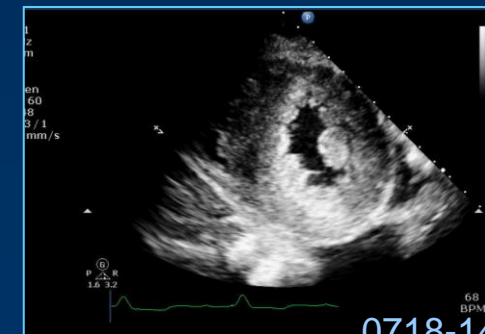
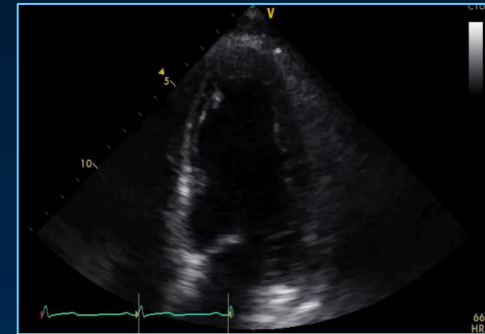
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How Do You Determine Diastolic Dysfunction

Myocardial Pathology

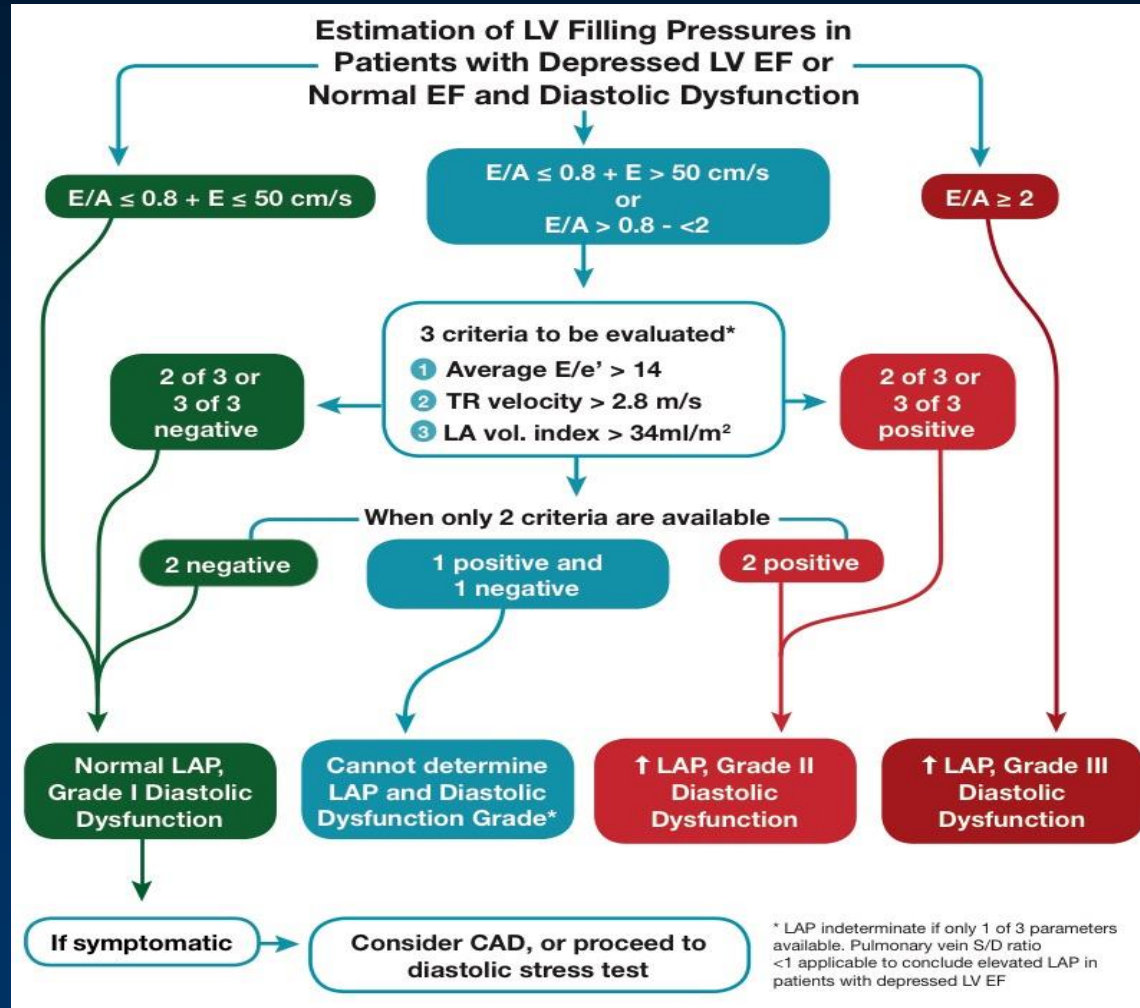
- Extensive cardiac history
- Known CV disease as coronary artery disease
 - Wall motion
- Pathologic LVH
- Hypertensive CV Disease
- Cardiomyopathy
- Established Diagnosis of HFpEF
- If 3/4 positive parameters from Algorithm 1
- EF reduced
- Specific Doppler signals



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Estimation of LV Filling Pressures and Grading DF (Algorithm 2)

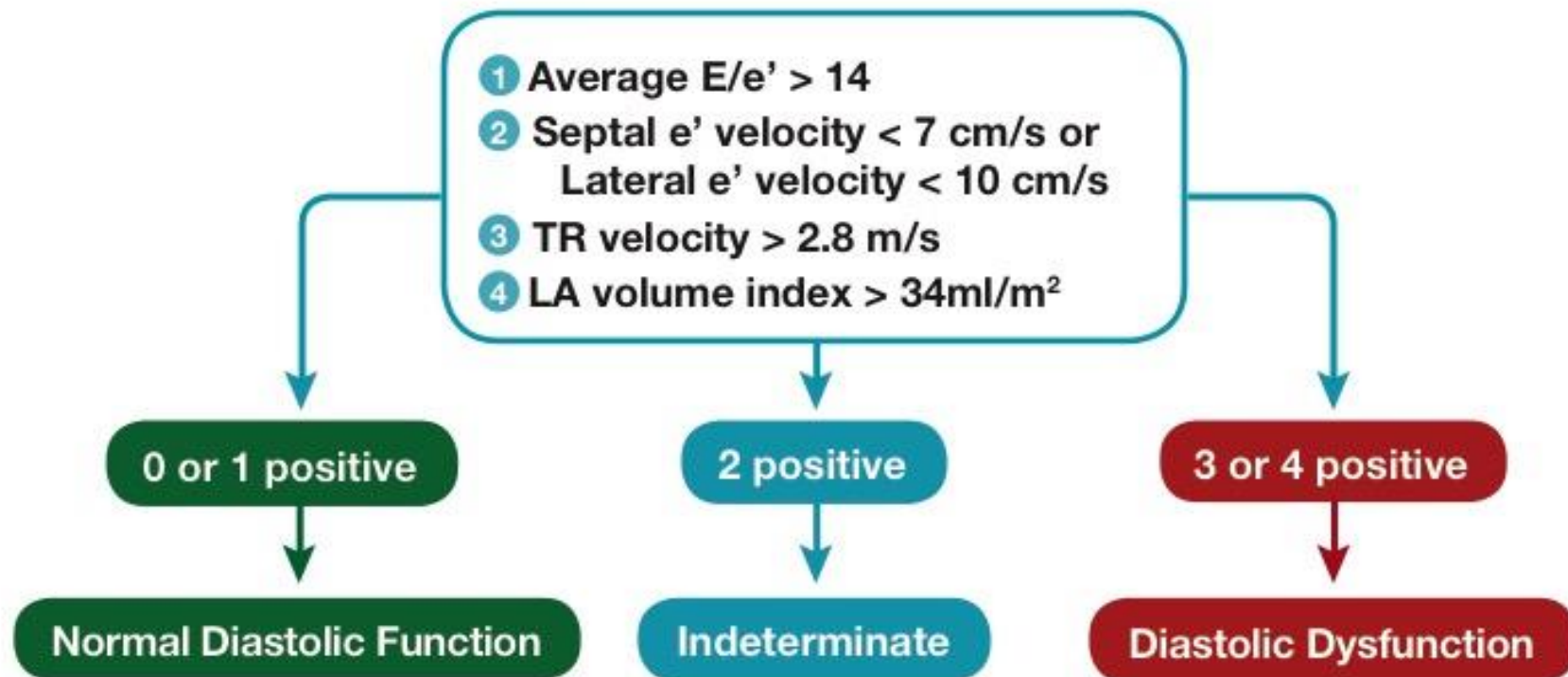


**What do you do if normal study based
on clinical history, 2-D echo and Doppler
flows?**



Criteria for Diagnosis of LV Diastolic Dysfunction (Algorithm 1)

Diagnosis of Diastolic Dysfunction in Patients with Normal LV EF



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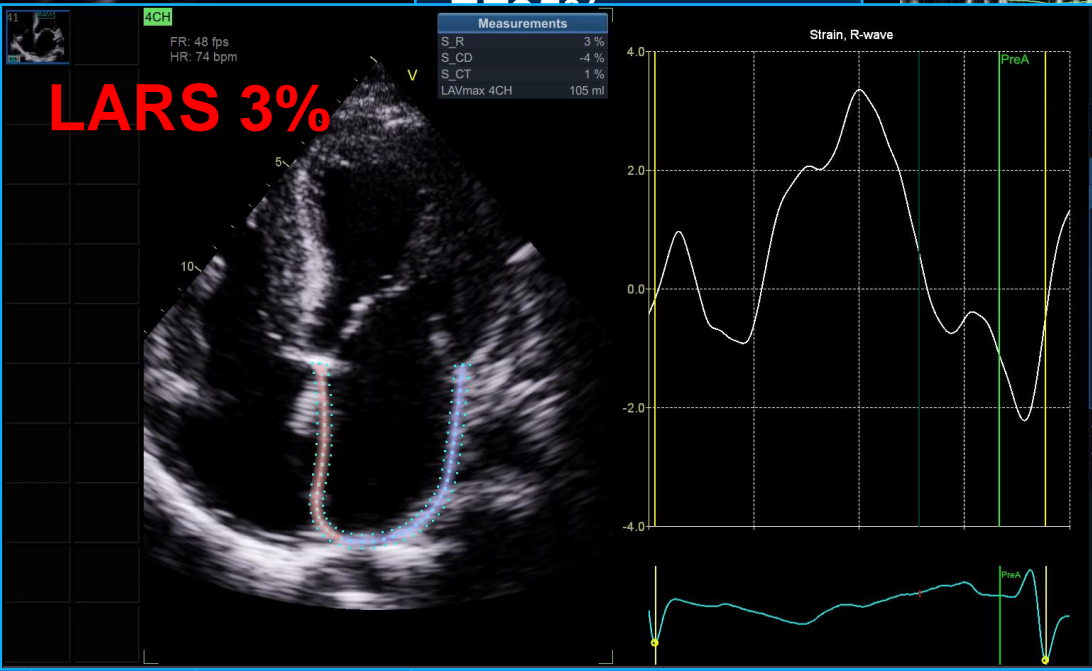
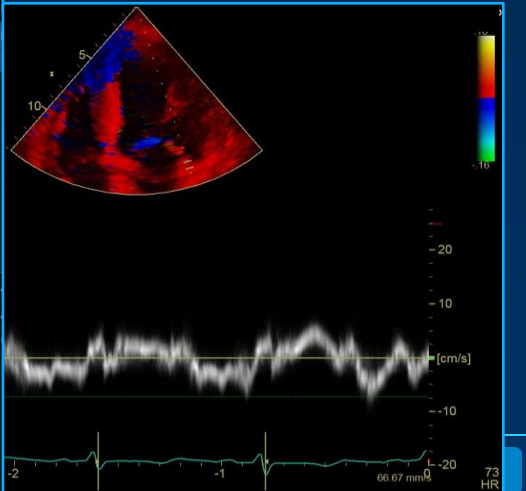
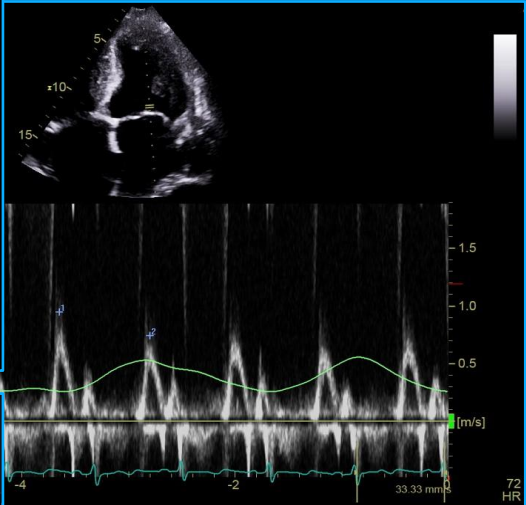
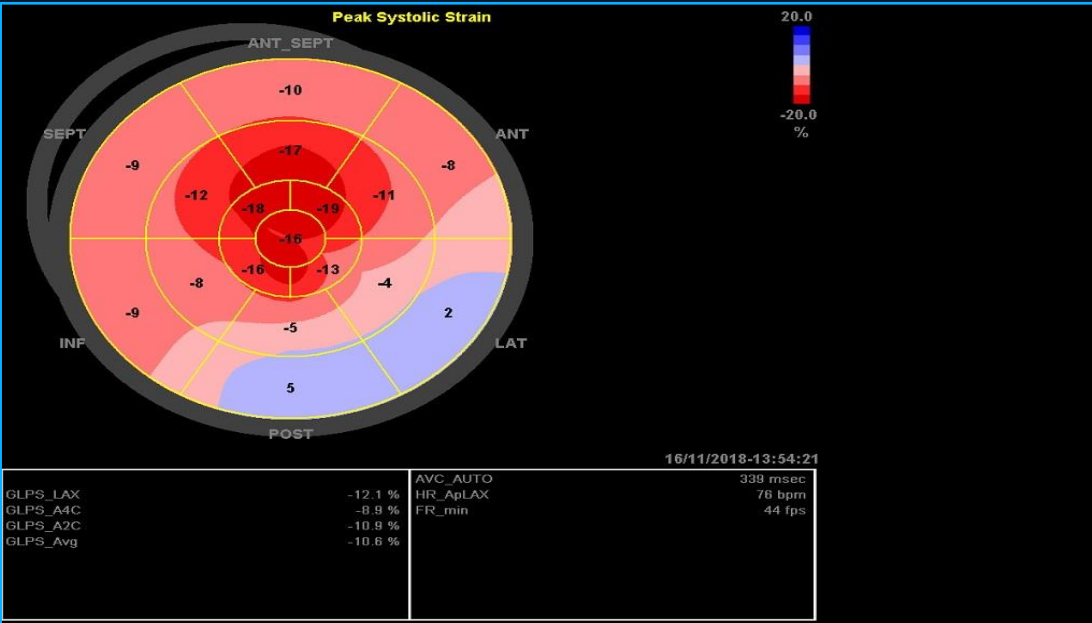
What Should Be Included in Our Reports?

- **Status of LV filling pressures**
 - **normal, elevated or cannot be determined**
- **Grade of diastolic function**
 - **Grade 1, 2 and 3**

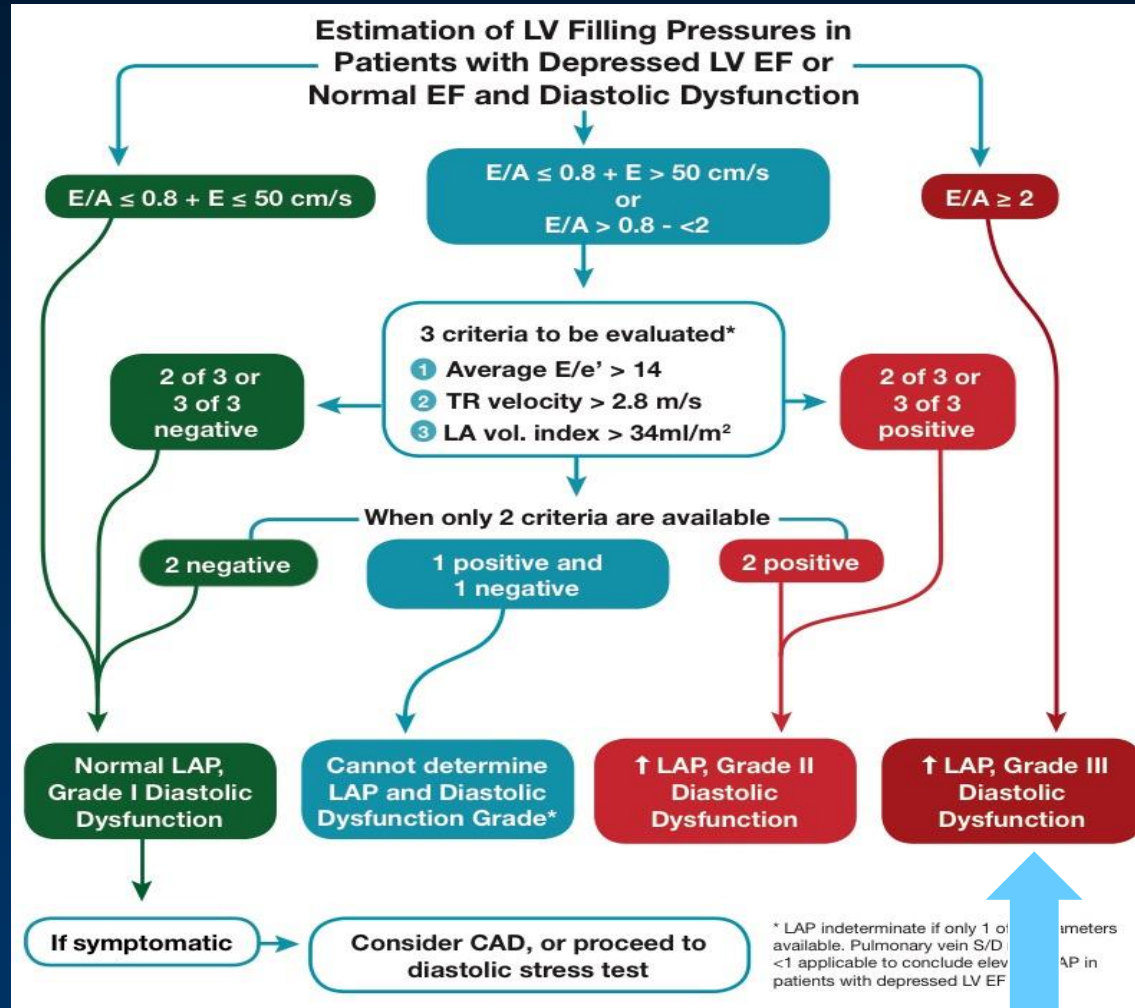


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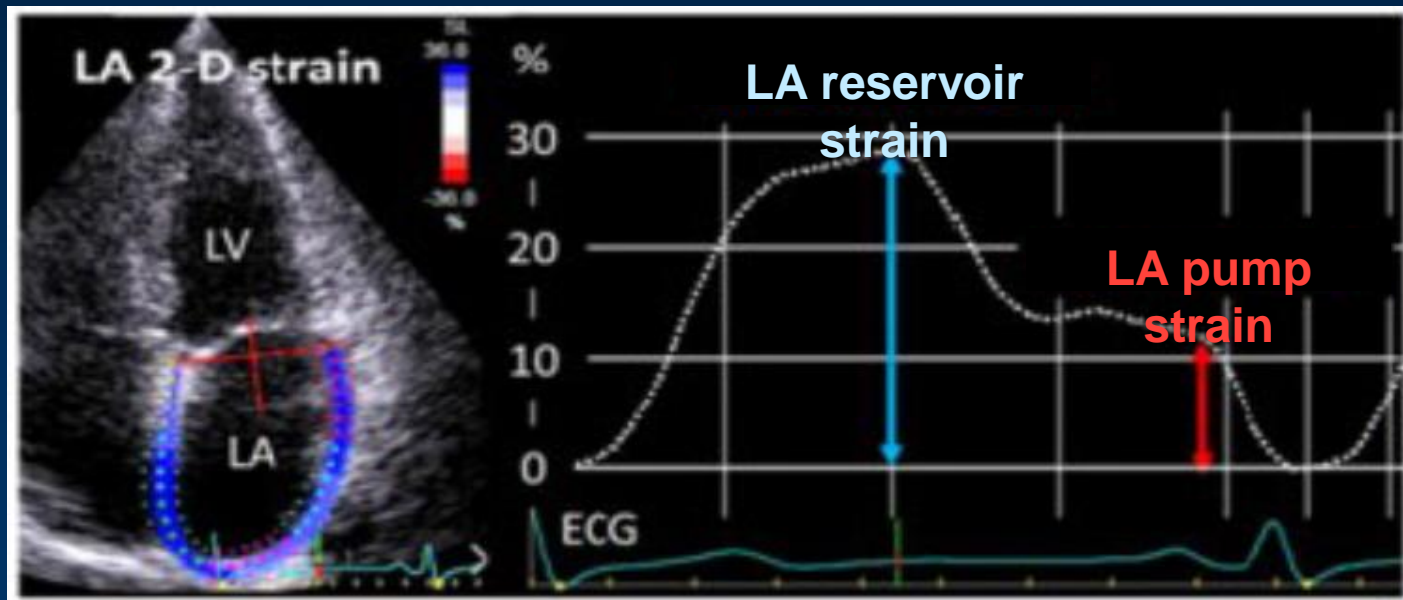


Estimation of LV Filling Pressures and Grading DF (Algorithm 2)



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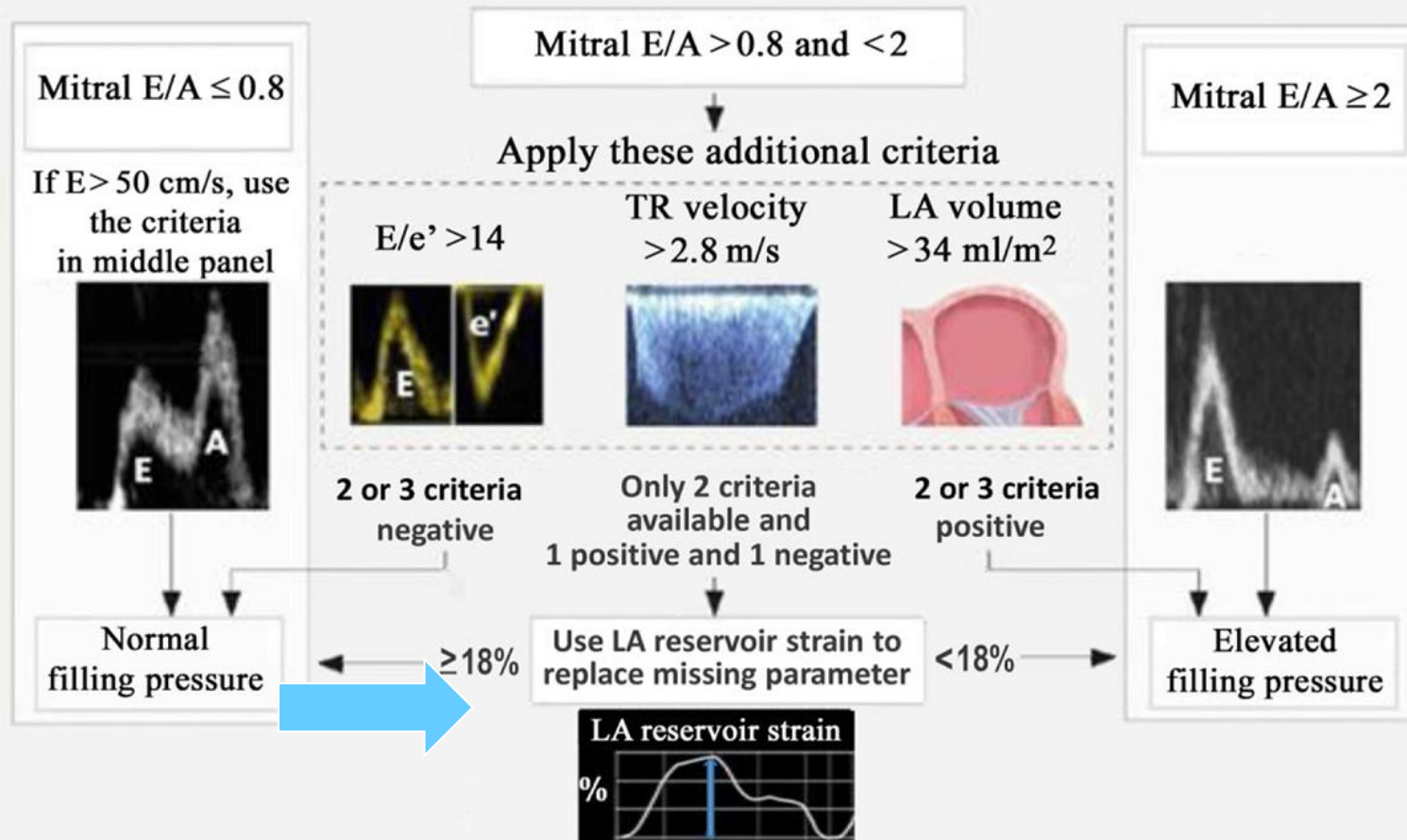
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Estimation of left ventricular filling pressure



Caveat – Algorithm not to be applied in any of the following conditions:

No suspicion of heart disease; Atrial fibrillation; LBBB/CRT/RV pacing; HCM; Severe MR/MS/MAC; MV prosthesis or repair; High output HF; LV assist device



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Steps for Diagnosing Diastolic Function

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Assess e' as marker of impaired LV relaxation

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STEP 2

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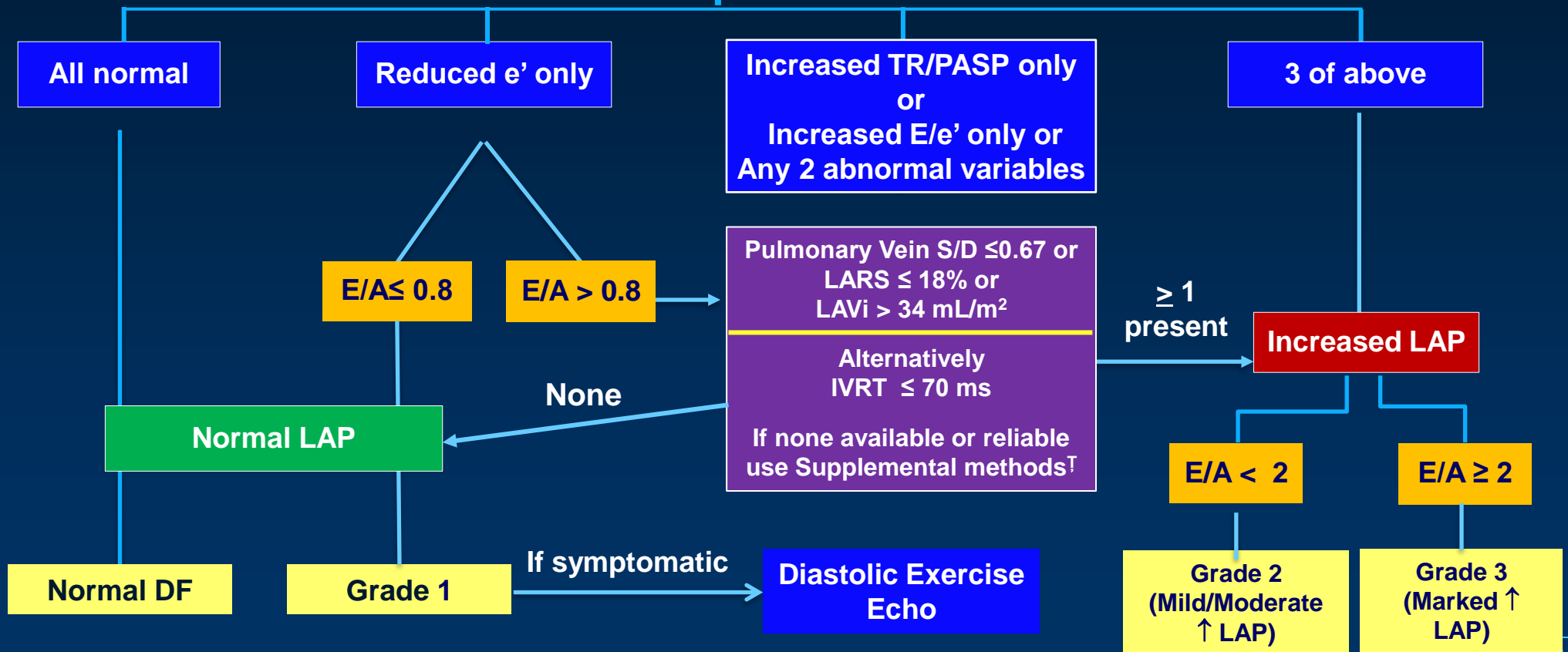
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LV Diastolic Function Grading & LAP Estimation

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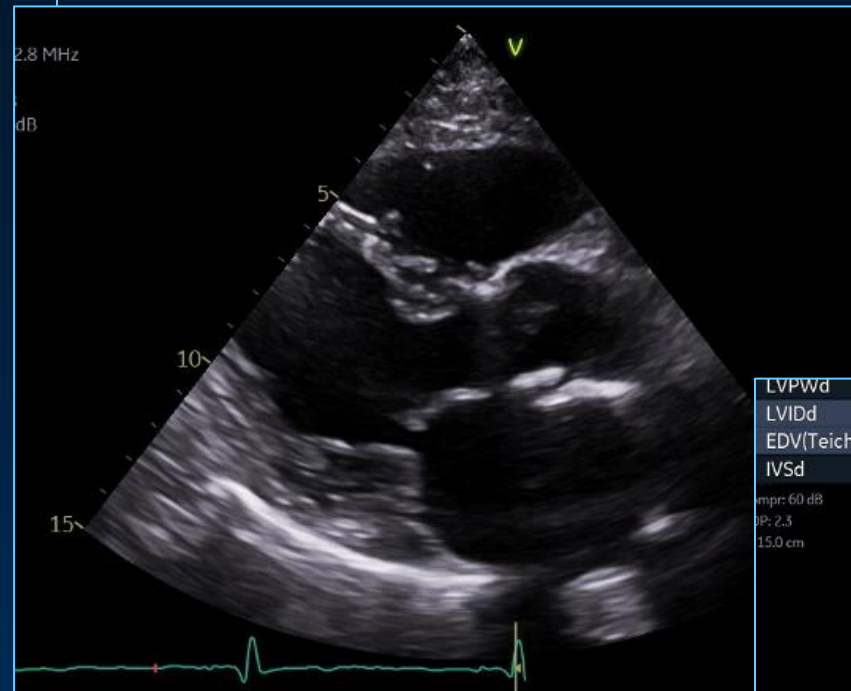


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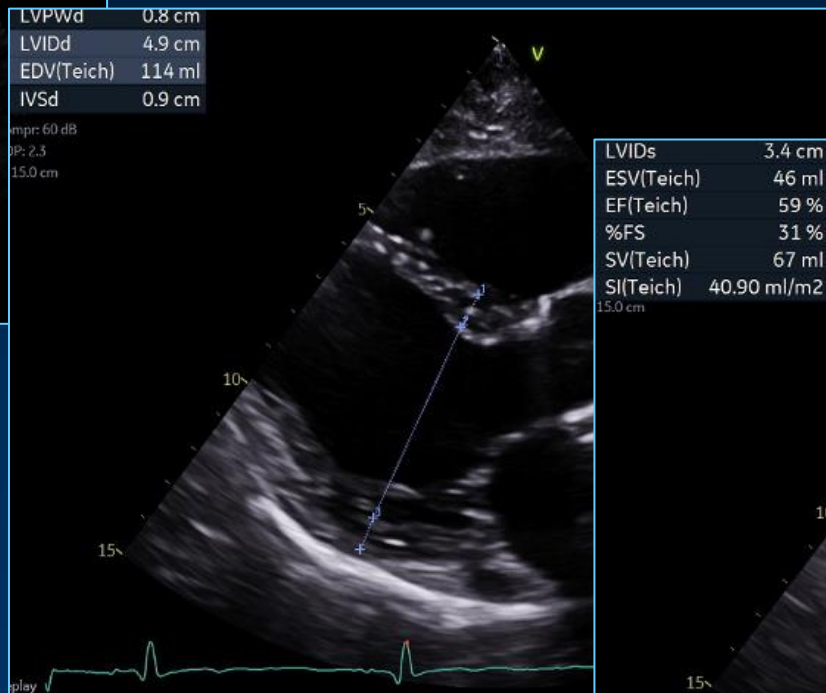
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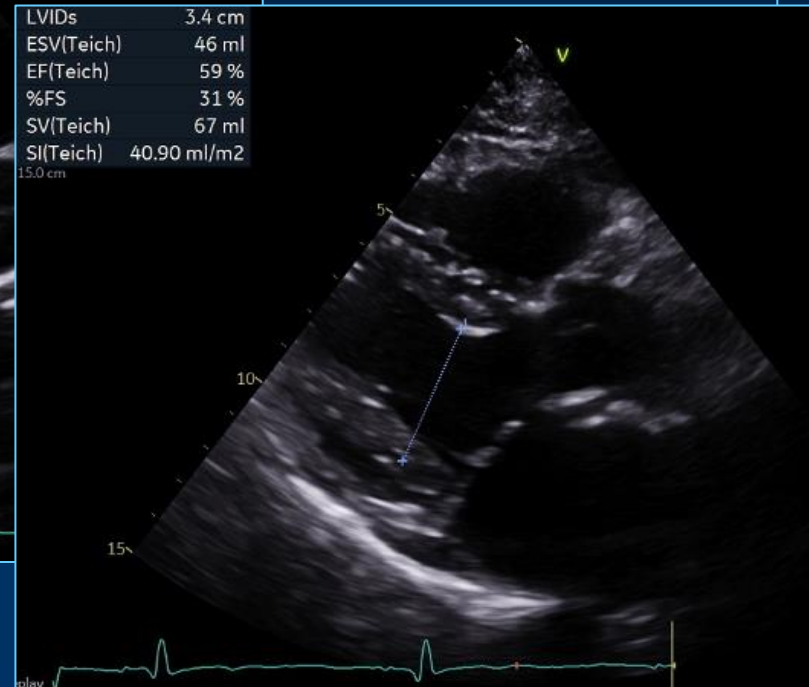
LV Dimensions



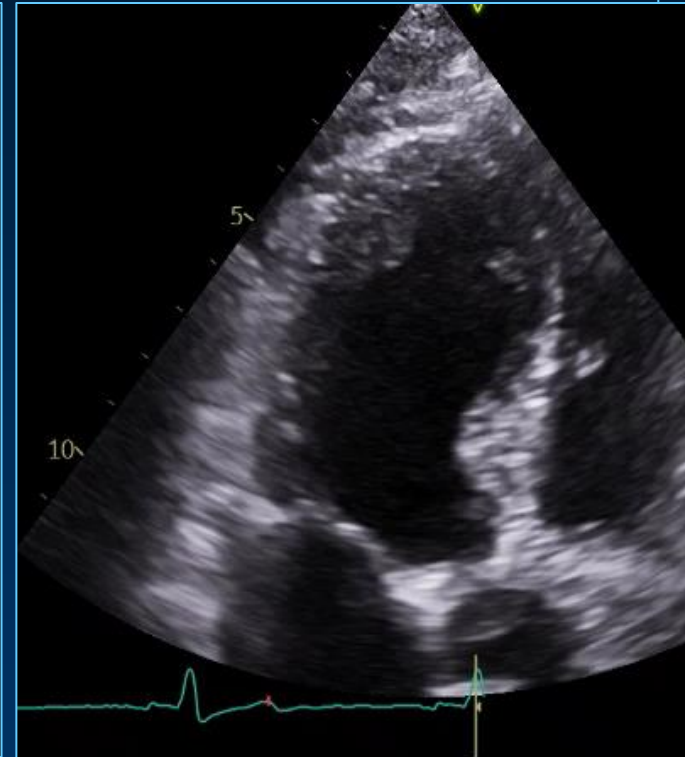
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IVSd	0.9 cm



LVIDs	3.4 cm
ESV(Teich)	46 ml
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SV(Teich)	67 ml
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APICAL IMAGES



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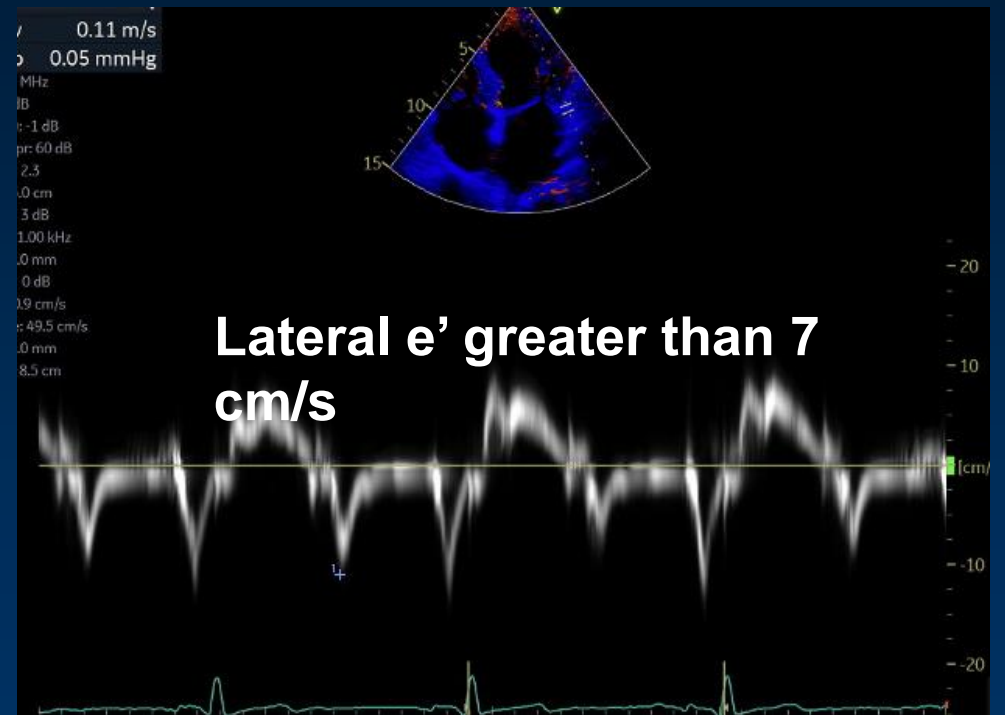
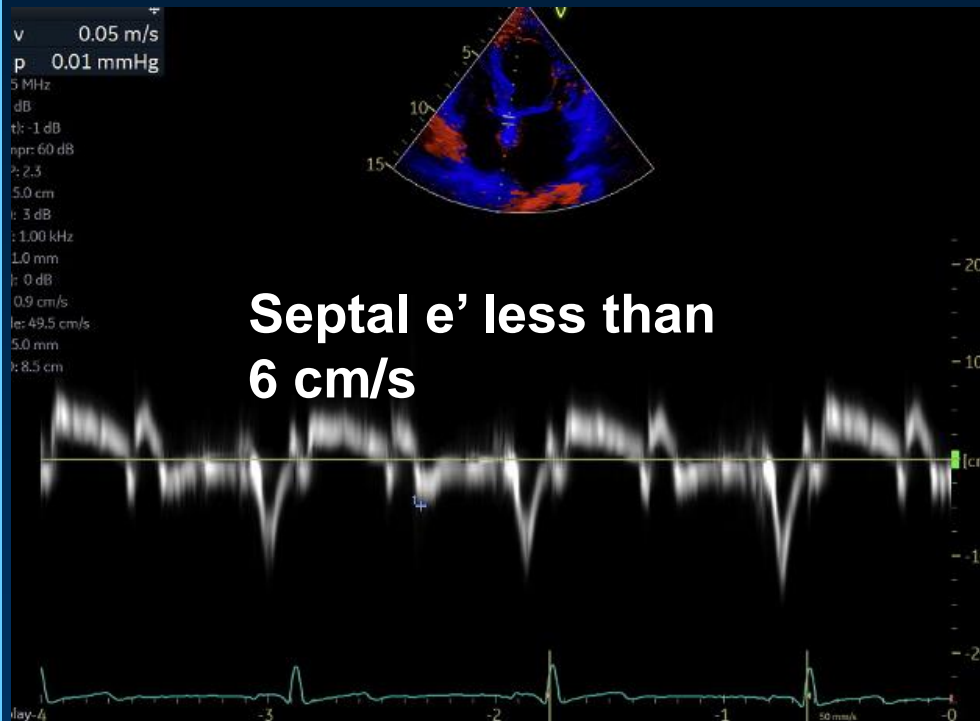
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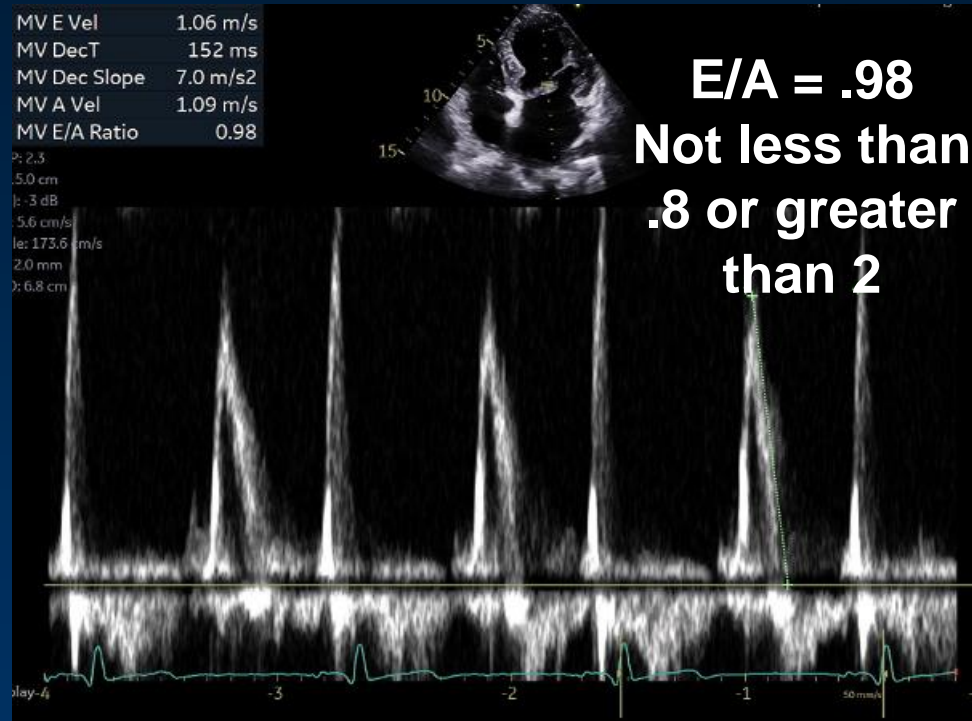
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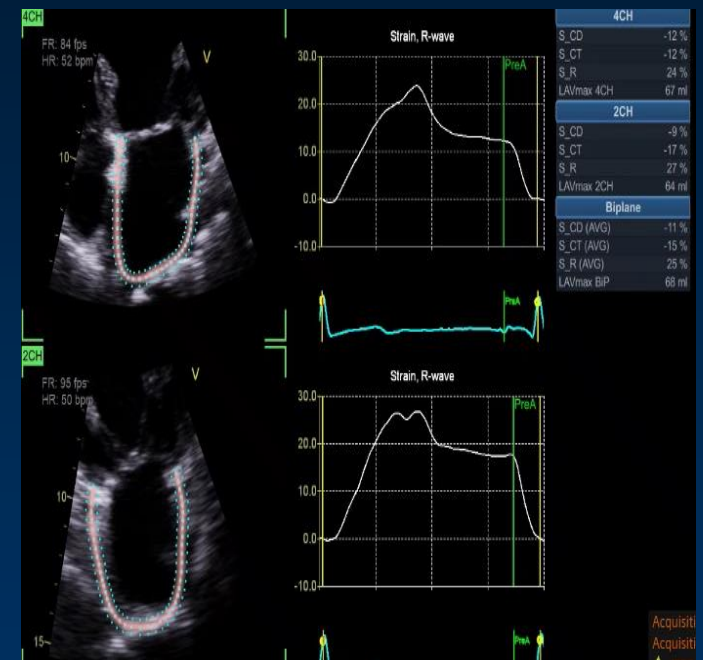
STEP ONE – (e')



STEP TWO – Markers of LA/LV Remodeling



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LAVI = 40 ml/m²
(greater than 34 ml/m²)

LASr = 25%
(greater than 18%)



STEP ONE + STEP TWO

- STEP ONE = reduced septal (e')



- STEP TWO = E/e' greater than 14



- = DIASTOLIC DYSFUNCTION PRESENT

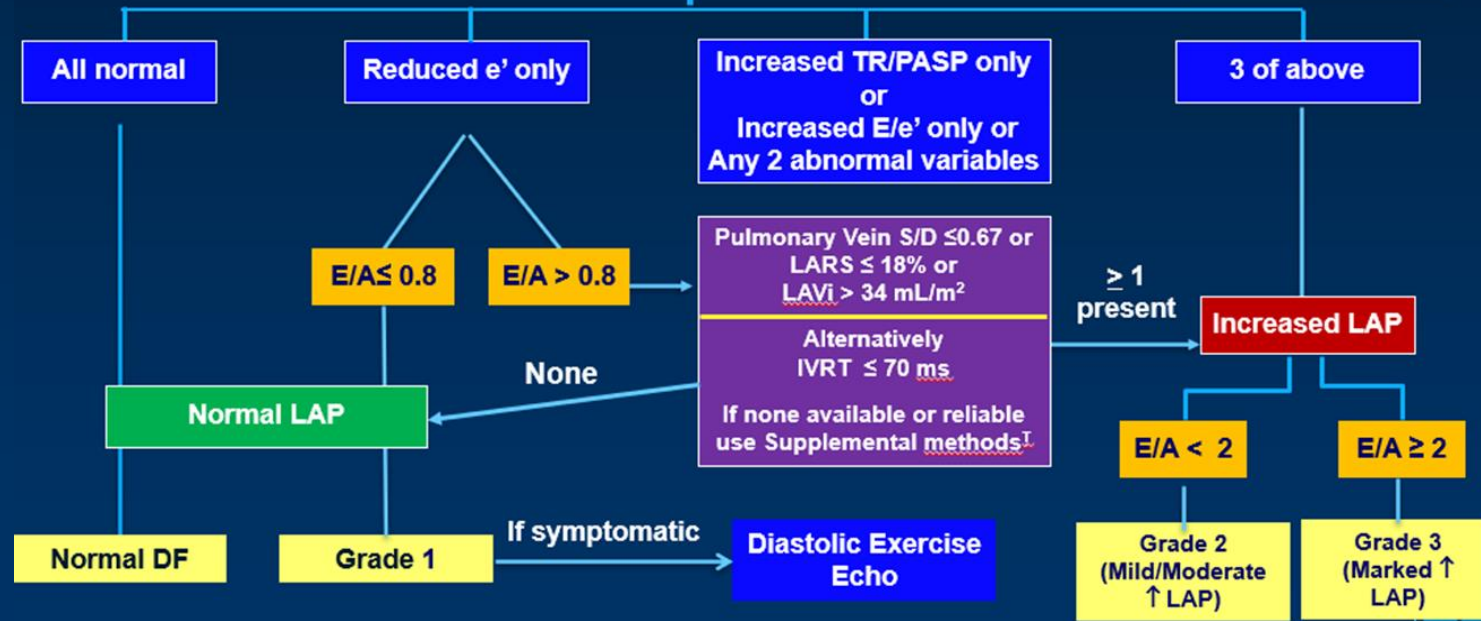


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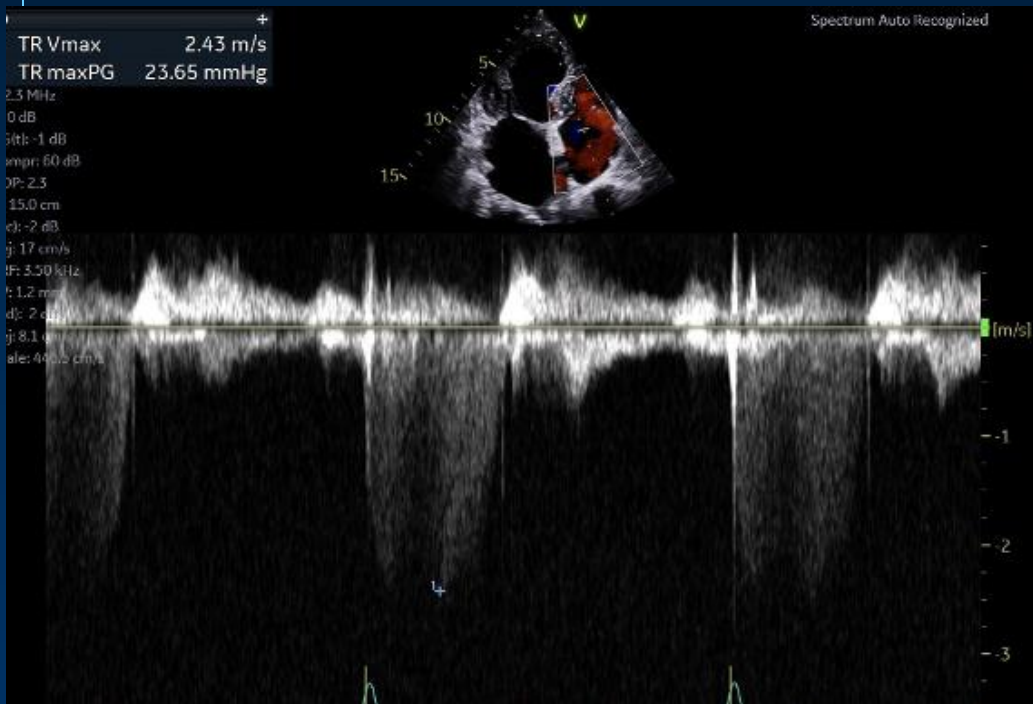
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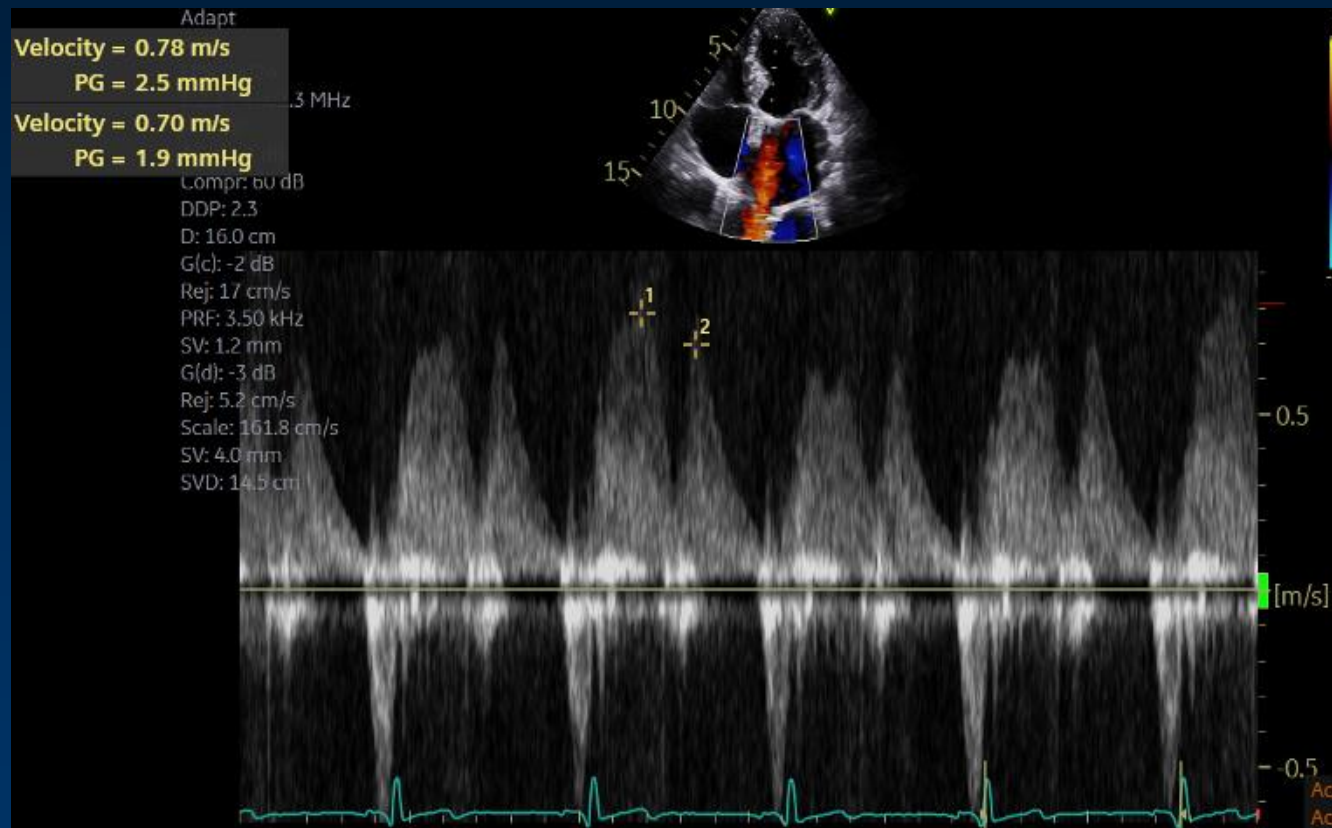
Preliminary Algorithm




**TR Velocity less than 2.8 m/s
and less than 35 mmHg**



Pulmonary Vein S/D Ratio



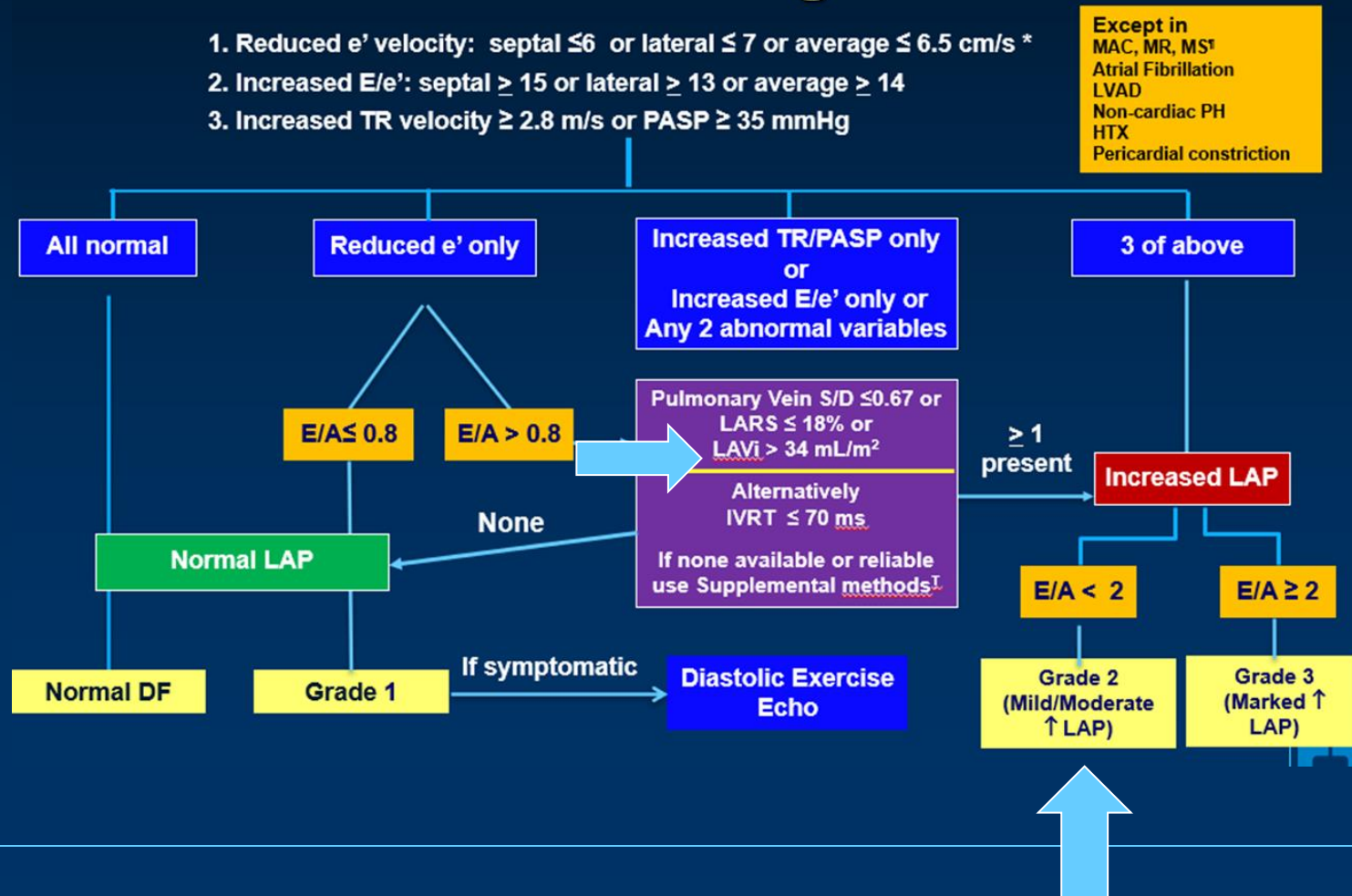
Assess Additional Parameters

- LAsr less than 18% (normal at 25%)
- Pulm Vein S/D ratio \leq than or equal to 0.67 (1.1)
- IVRT \leq than or equal to 70 m/s
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LAVI Greater than 34 ml/m2 !!!

- Increased LAVI = Increased LAP

- E/A Ratio = .98 < 2 =

- GRADE 2 DF 



Diastology Guidelines 2025:

What Will the New Guidelines Say?

Take Home Points

- The **important** parameters are MV E/A, mitral annular e', E/e', LAVI and RVSP as well as **PV S/D, LARS and IVRT**
- Step wise approach
- New cutoffs based on large normal datasets
- Ties in HFpEF
- Should be published in 2025





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DIASTOLOGY
Clinical Approach to Heart Failure
with Preserved Ejection Fraction

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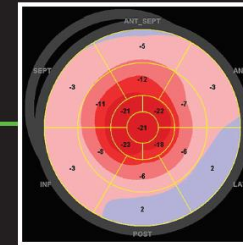
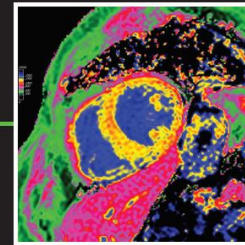
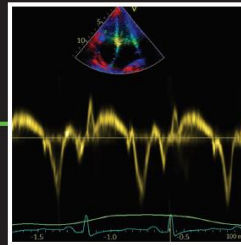


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