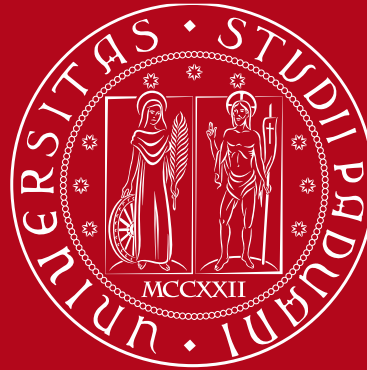
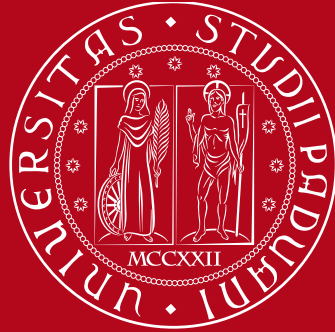


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Cardiopatie congenite – Parte 1

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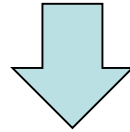
- **ANATOMIA**
- **VALUTAZIONE FUNZIONALE**
  - **Funzione ventricolare**
  - **Funzione valvolare**
  - **Shunts/direzioni dei flussi**
- **APPLICAZIONI ULTERIORI**
  - **Caratterizzazione tissutale**

## **ANATOMIA delle cardiopatie congenite (non corrette vs corrette)**

**Conoscenza clinica del tipo di malformazione, degli interventi correttivi e delle possibili conseguenze a lungo termine**

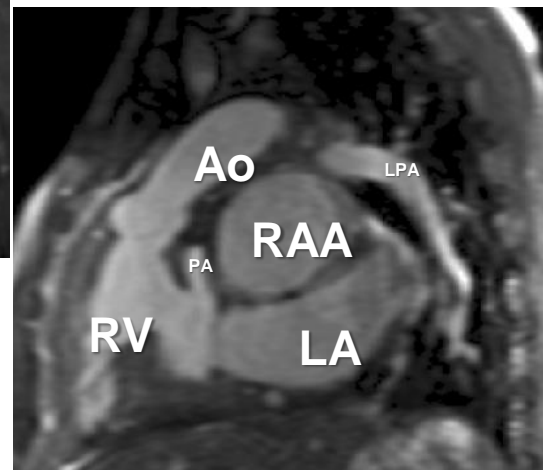
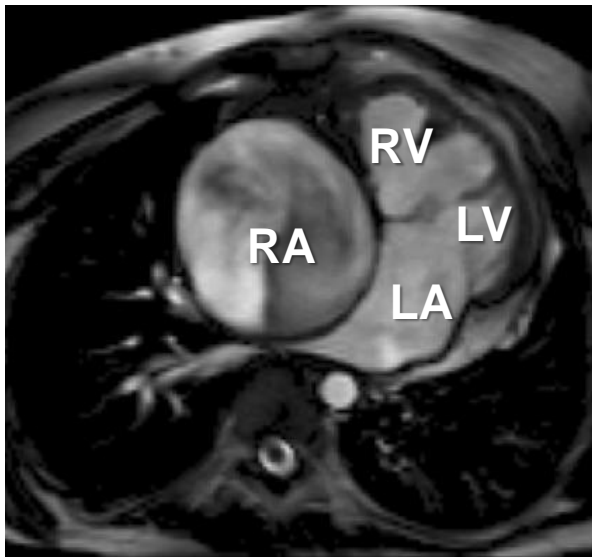
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**SCELTA del protocollo MRI**

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**Sequenze maggiormente utilizzate in MRI per la valutazione delle  
CHD**

**CINE imaging**

**Phase velocity Mapping**

**4D flow sensitive velocity mapping**

**Contrast Enhanced Magnetic Resonance angiography (CE-MRA)**

**3D steady-state free processing non contrast imaging (3D SSFP)**

## **MULTISLICE IMAGING**

**Per iniziare: stacks multislices trasversi, coronali e sagittali, es SSFP bright-blood > 20 slices almeno ad ogni sospensione del respiro**

**Costituiscono la base per le successive acquisizioni cine**

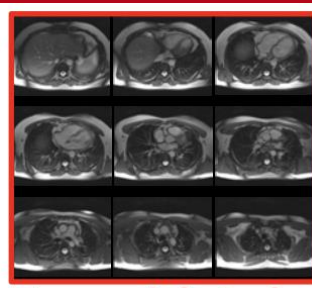
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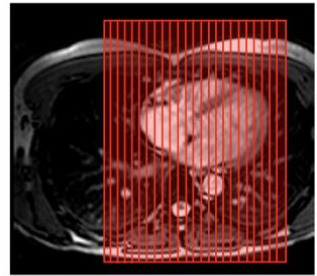
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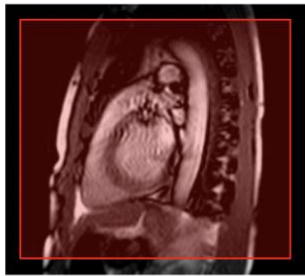
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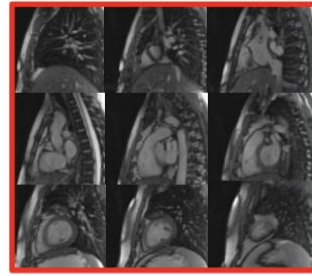
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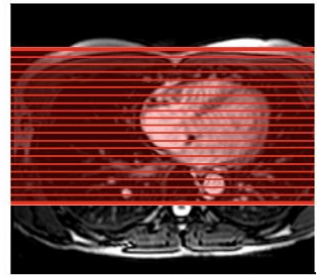
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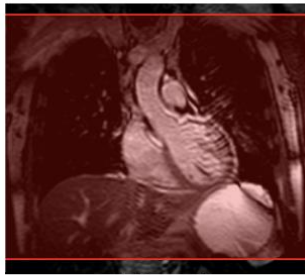
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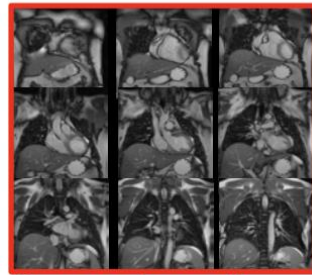
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Coronal localizer



Coronal stack

«stacks» anatomici

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## CINE imaging

**Permette la visualizzazione dei flussi e dei movimenti del cuore e delle pareti vascolari (con gating ECG; a respiro trattenuto o libero)**

- Acquisire stacks contigui di immagini transassiali o coronali per coprire l'intero volume cardiaco e il mediastino
- Spessore slices 5-7 mm
- Attenzione! Strutture sottili (valvole, zone periferiche dei jets) si vedono bene solo se perpendicolari alla slice

**SSFP cine imaging: buon contrasto sangue-tessuto > buona misurazione di volumi/masse e valutazione delle valvole.**

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**Acquisizioni ripetibili e precise grazie al trattenimento del respiro**

- A. «Cross cutting» dei jet valvolari o delle valvole (posizionamento di una slice ortogonale per visualizzarne orientamento e direzione)
- B. Stack obliquo di immagini cine con slices di circa 5 mm, senza gaps

NB maggiori artefatti in caso di disomogenità di B0 (devices)

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**Table 2 Cine steady-state free precession**

	Infant/small child		Large child/adult
In-plane resolution (mm)	1.2-2.0		1.5-2.5
Slice thickness (mm)	4-6		5-8
Inter slice gap (mm)	0-2		0-4
Respiratory compensation	Free-breathing	Breath-holding	Breath-holding
Number of signal averages	3	1	1
Reconstructed phases per R-R interval	20-30		
ECG gating	Retrospective		

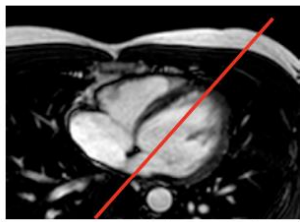
## MODULO «VENTRICOLOGRAFIA»

**Cine CMR:** 2 CH e 3 CH del ventricolo sinistro, 3 CH ventricolo destro, 4 camere

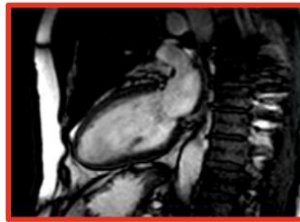
**Cine CMR:** stack di slices continue a coprire entrambi i ventricoli (asse corto e/o assiale)

**Key reporting elements:** LVEDV, LVESV, RVEDV, RVESV, LVSV, RVSV, LVEF, RVEF, massa LV (e RV), cinetica regionale

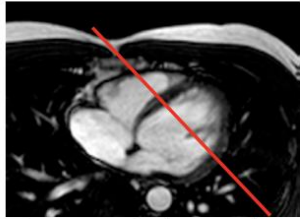
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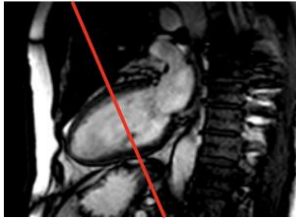
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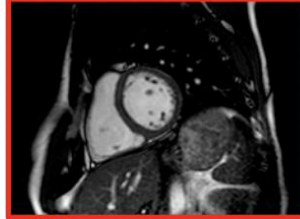
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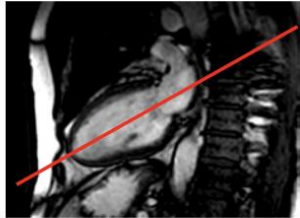
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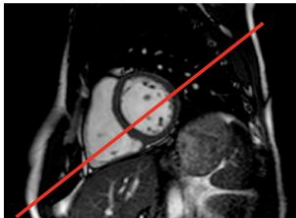
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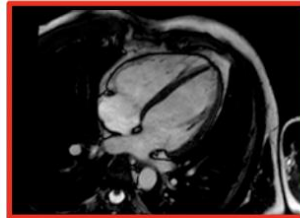
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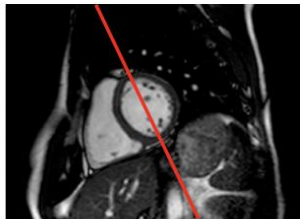
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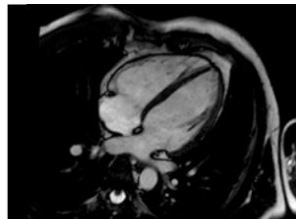
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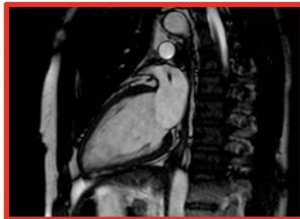
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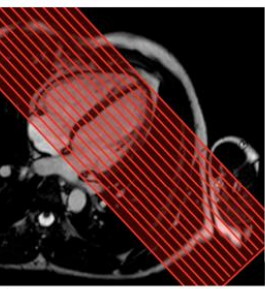


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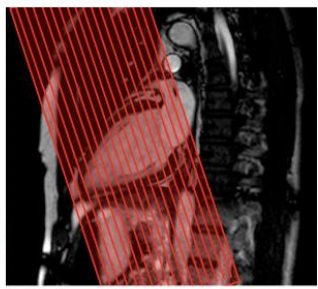
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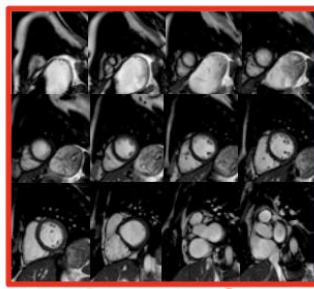
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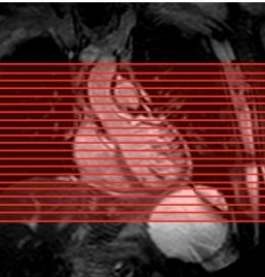
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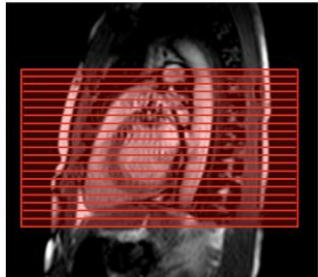
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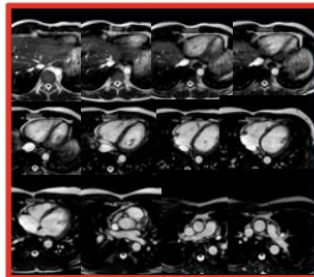
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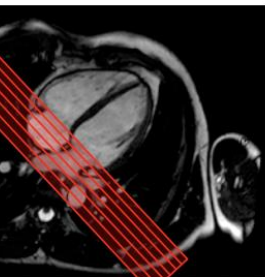
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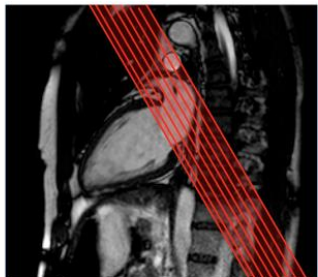
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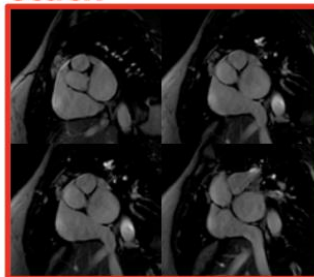
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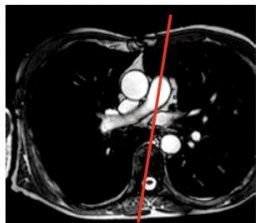
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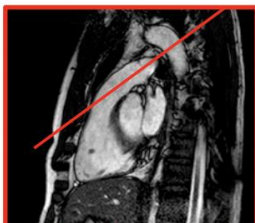
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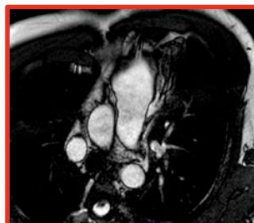
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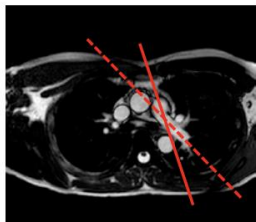
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Sagittal RVOT



Coronal RVOT



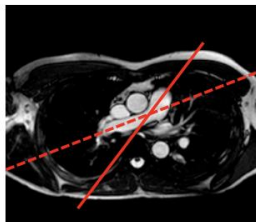
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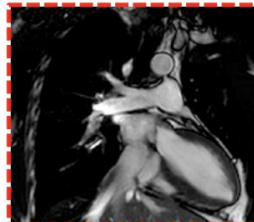
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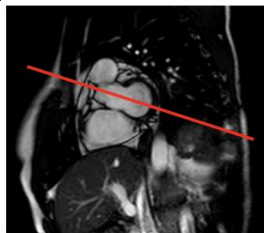
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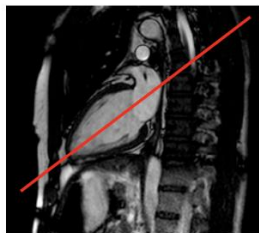
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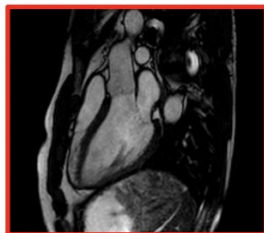
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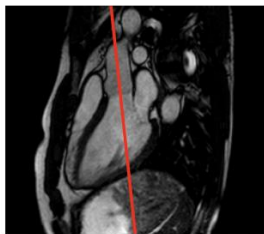
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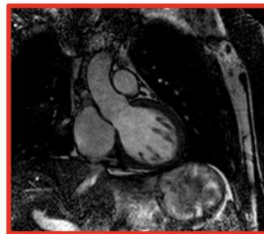
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**Sagittal LVOT**



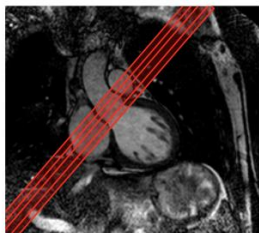
Sagittal LVOT



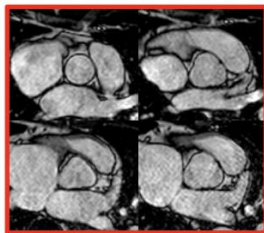
**Coronal LVOT**



Sagittal LVOT



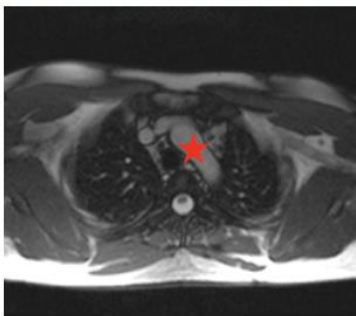
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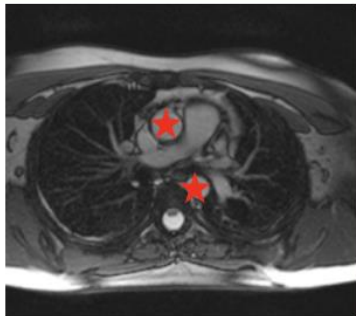
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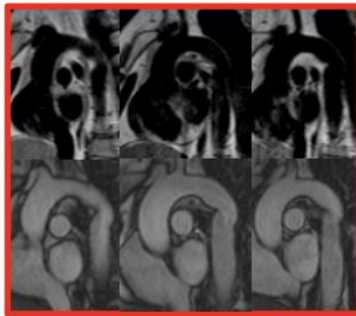
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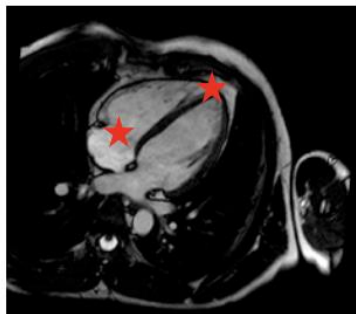
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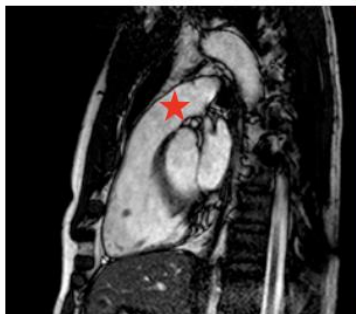
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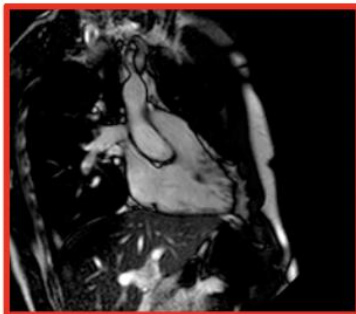
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HLA



RVOT



RV in-/outflow

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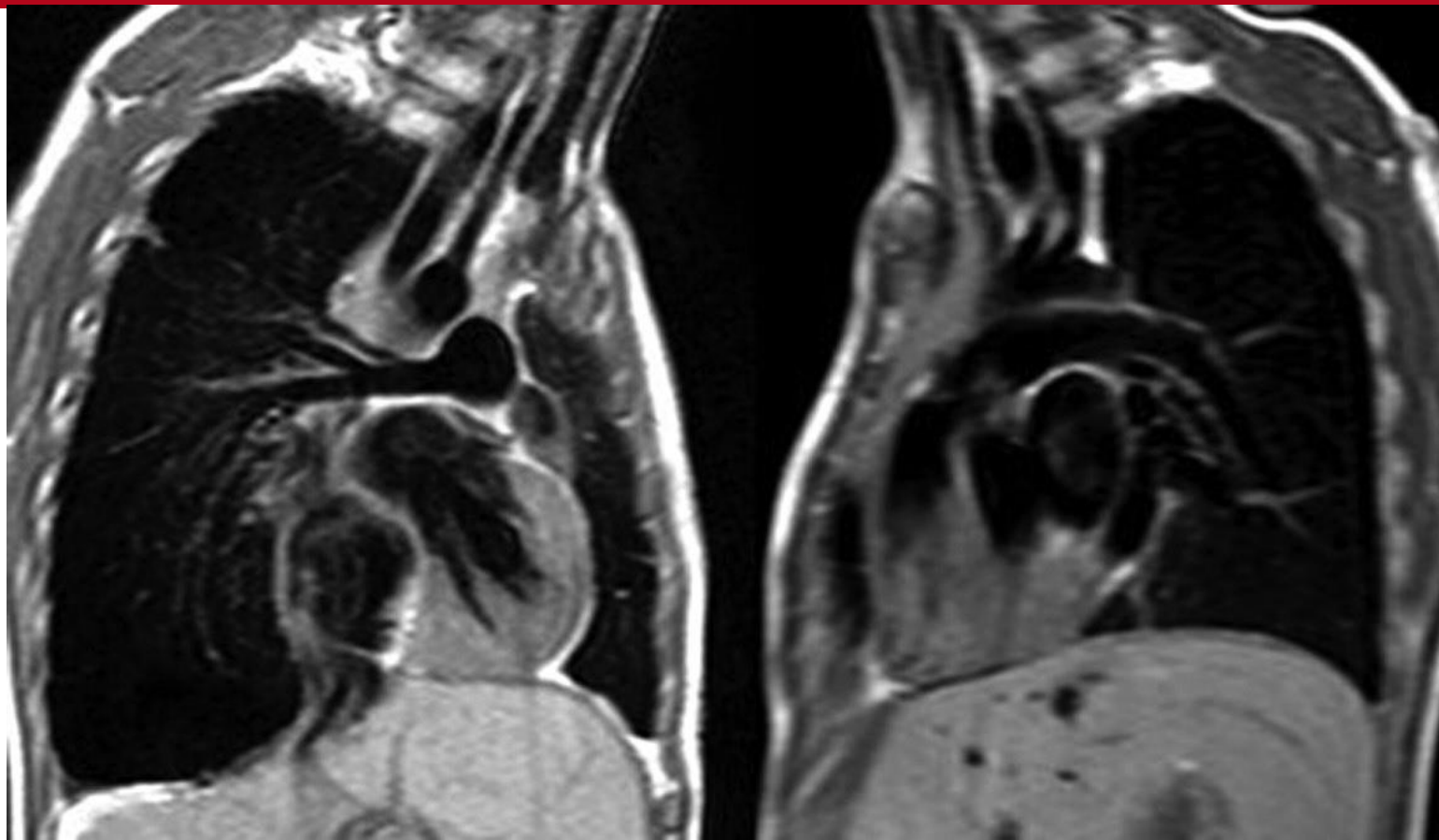
**«Black blood» imaging (fast spin echo – FSE, ECG gated):  
Utile per visualizzazione statica delle strutture vascolari (il sangue ad alto flusso risulta nero)  
Acquisizione in un solo battito cardiaco (single shot) o multipli (fast spin echo) > risoluzione spaziale migliore  
Meno suscettibili agli artefatti da flusso turbolento/devices  
Possibili slices anche di 2 mm  
Possibile pesatura in T1 e T2 per caratterizzazione tissutale**

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**Table 1 Fast (turbo) spin echo**

	Infant/small child		Large child/adult
<b>In-plane resolution (mm)</b>	1.0-2.0		1.5-2.5
<b>Slice thickness (mm)</b>	2-3		4-6
<b>Echo train length</b>	12-24		16-32
<b>Image acquisition timing</b>	3-4 R-R		1-2 R-R
<b>Respiratory compensation</b>	Free-breathing	Breath-holding	Breath-holding
<b>Number of signal averages</b>	3	1-2	1
<b>Trigger delay</b>	Diastole or systole		Diastole

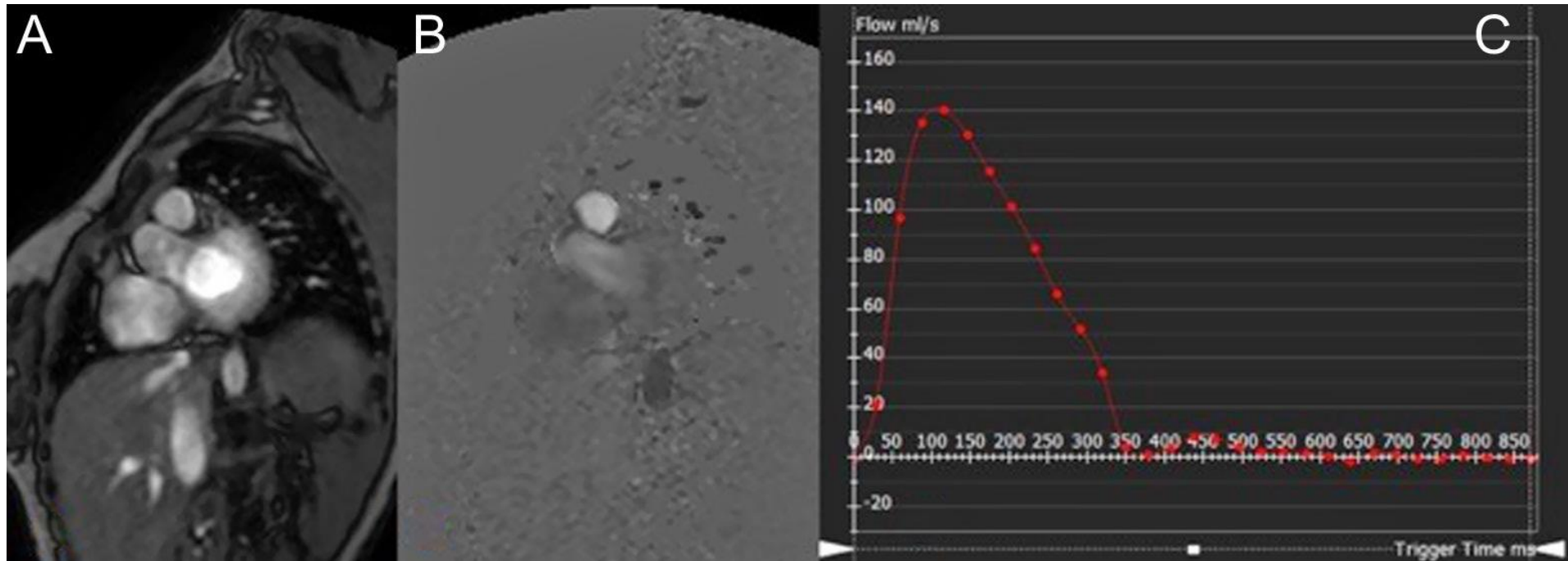
## PHASE VELOCITY MAPPING

**Forniscono misure adeguate di velocità e volumi di flusso (es. gittata cardiaca, quantificazione shunts, quantificazione di flusso attraverso collaterali, volumi di rigurgito, velocità del jet attraverso le stenosi)**

**Velocity encoding direction: parallela o perpendicolare al piano**

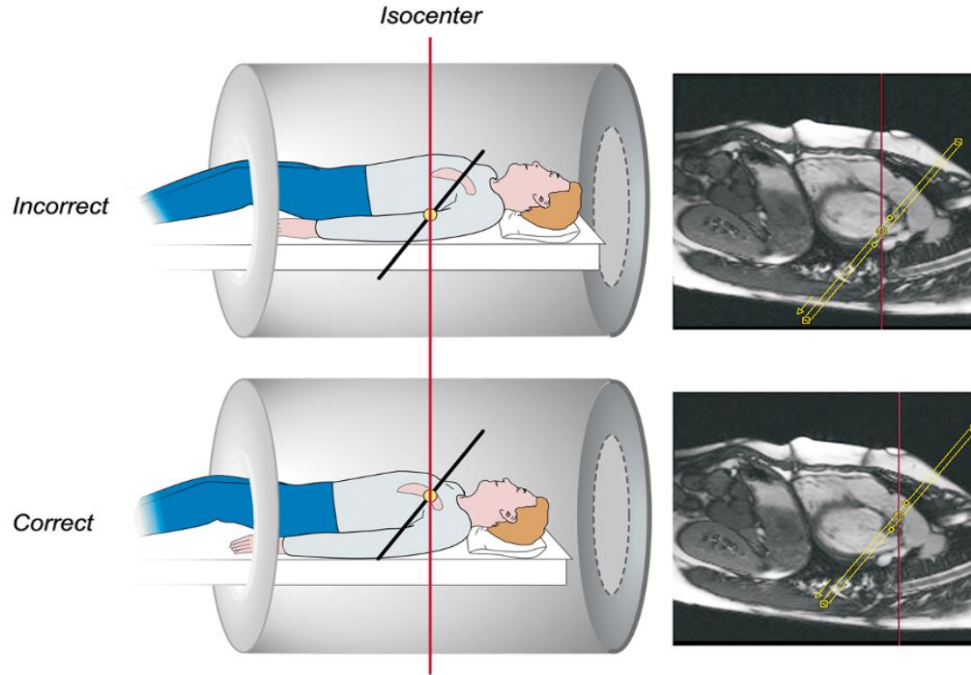
**Perpendicolare (nella direzione del selection gradient) per misurare il volume del flusso**

**Misura area della sezione del lume e della velocità media del flusso attraverso l'area > curva di flusso**

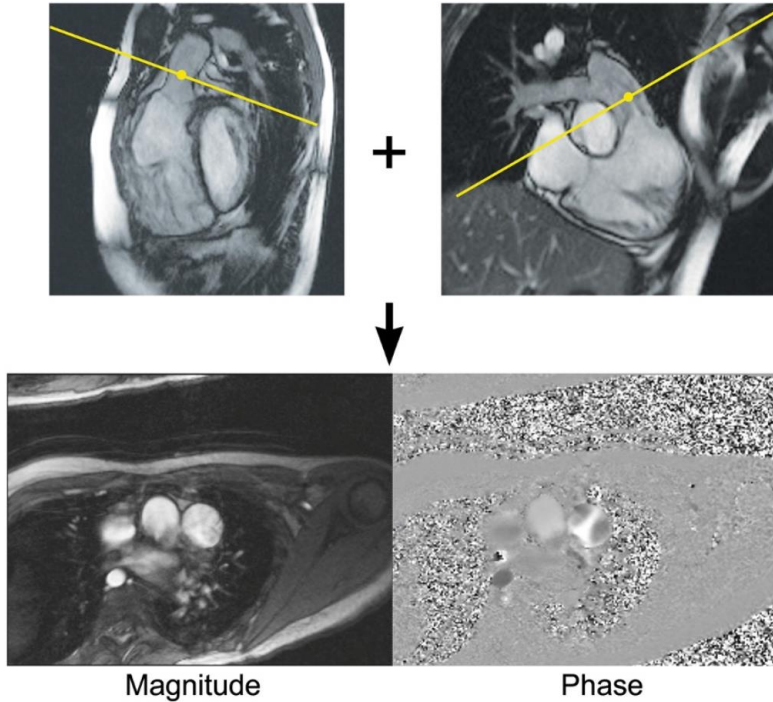


**Table 4 Velocity-encoded phase-contrast cine for quantitative flow measurements**

	Infant/small child	Large child/adult
<b>In-plane resolution (mm)</b>	1.0-1.3	1.3-2.0
<b>Slice thickness (mm)</b>	5	6-8
<b>Number of signal averages</b>		3
<b>Reconstructed phases per R-R interval</b>		25-30
<b>Velocity encoding (cm/s)</b>	Artery 200, vein 100, atrioventricular-valve inflow 150	
<b>Cardiac/respiratory motion</b>	Retrospective ECG-gating with free-breathing	

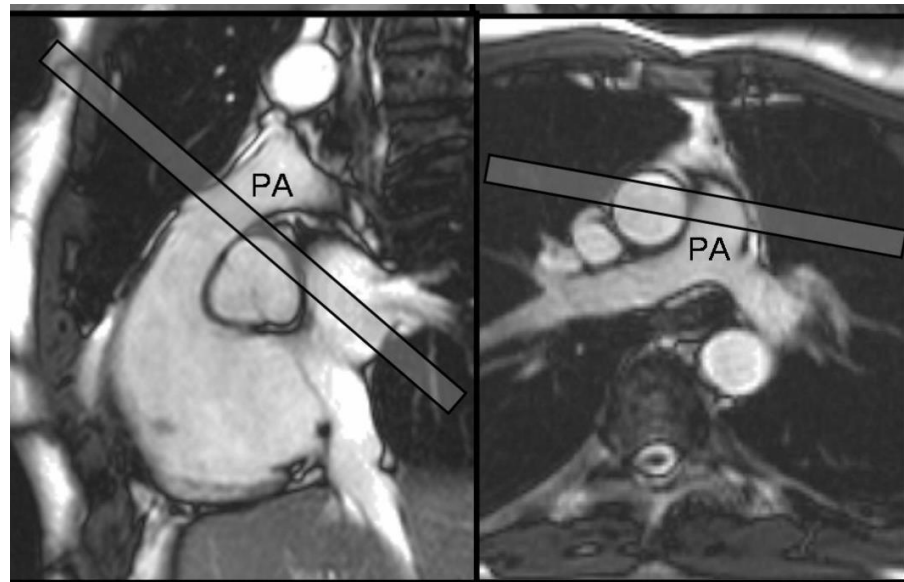
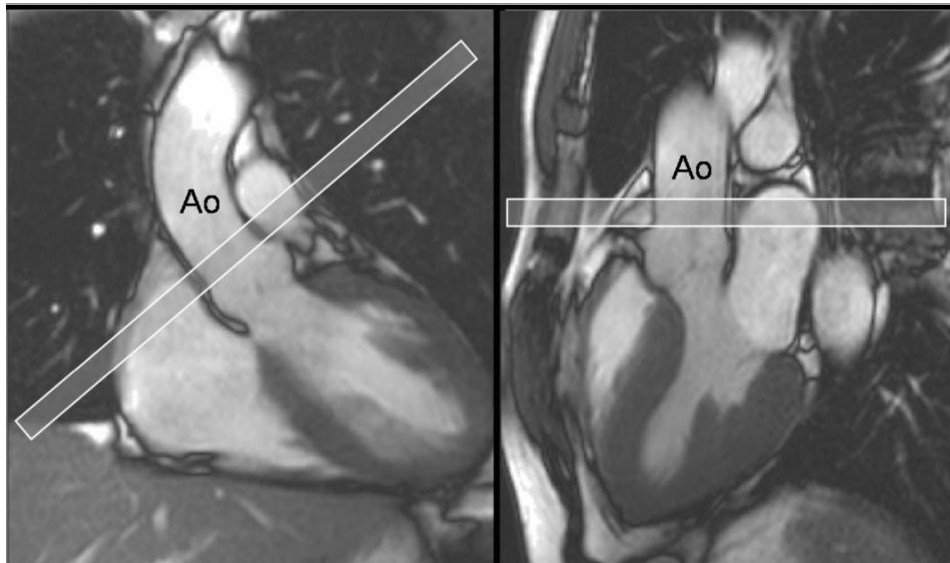


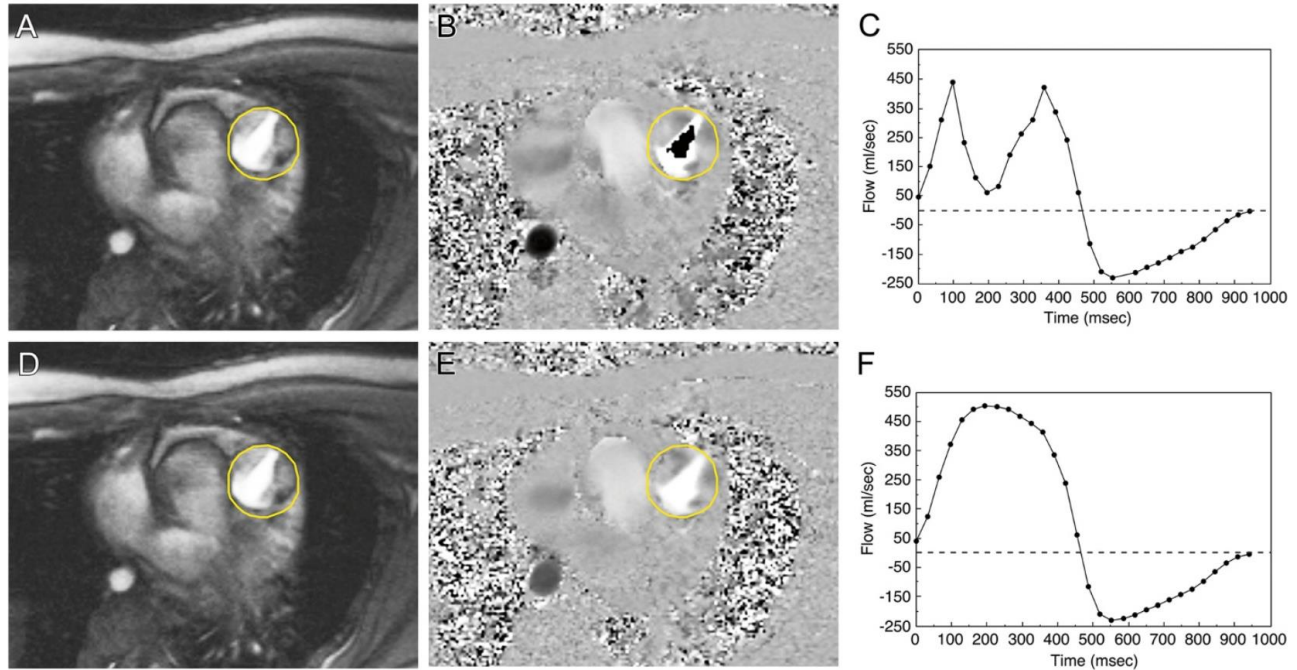
**Figure 11 Proper positioning of the imaging plane for main pulmonary artery blood flow measurement.** PC CMR velocity and flow measurements are most accurate when the location of interest is at the isocenter of the scanner during the acquisition. Most MR scanners will slide the patient table so that the center of the imaging plane (yellow circle) is at the scanner's isocenter (vertical red line). Prescribing the imaging plane so that the center of the image is at the same level in the superoinferior dimension as the location of interest is therefore recommended.



**Figure 10 Planning a CMR phase-contrast acquisition to measure flow in the main pulmonary artery.** The PC CMR imaging plane is simultaneously viewed and adjusted on orthogonal views of the main pulmonary artery (top row) to ensure that it is oriented perpendicular to the blood vessel. The resulting magnitude and phase images are shown (bottom row).

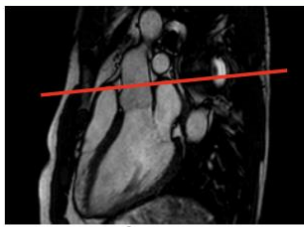
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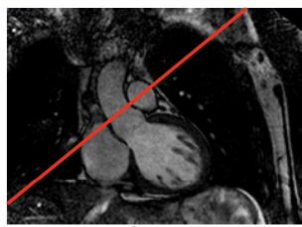


**Figure 9** Effect of aliasing on phase-contrast cine CMR (PC CMR) flow measurements. Sixteen-year-old patient with surgically repaired tetralogy of Fallot and mild pulmonary valve stenosis. PC CMR was performed in the main pulmonary artery with the velocity range ( $v_{enc}$ ) set incorrectly at 200 cm/sec (top row) and then with the  $v_{enc}$  set correctly at 300 cm/sec (bottom row). Magnitude (A, D) and phase images (B, E) in systole, and the resulting flow curves (C, F) generated from analyzing the region of interest (yellow contour) are shown. Because the peak velocity is 260 cm/sec, aliasing (B) and flow underestimation (C) are seen with a  $v_{enc}$  of 200 cm/sec but not with a  $v_{enc}$  of 300 cm/sec (E and F).

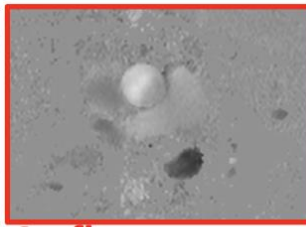
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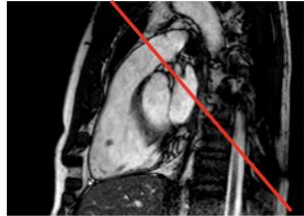
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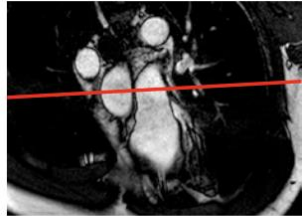
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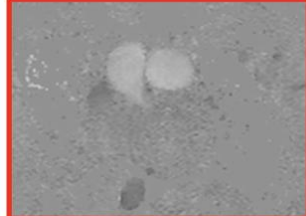
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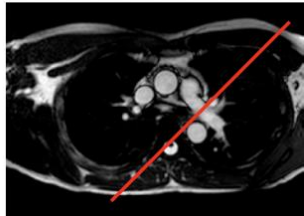
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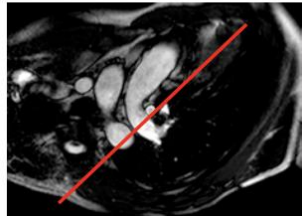
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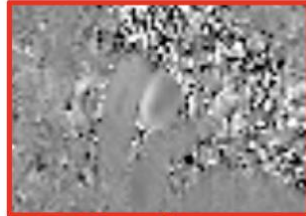
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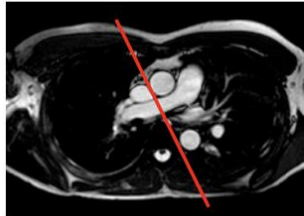
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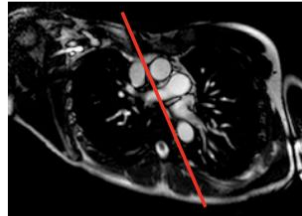
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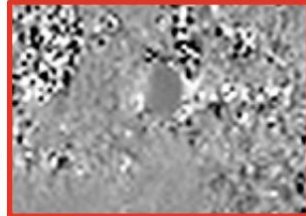
**LPA flow**



Transaxial stack



RPA cross-cut



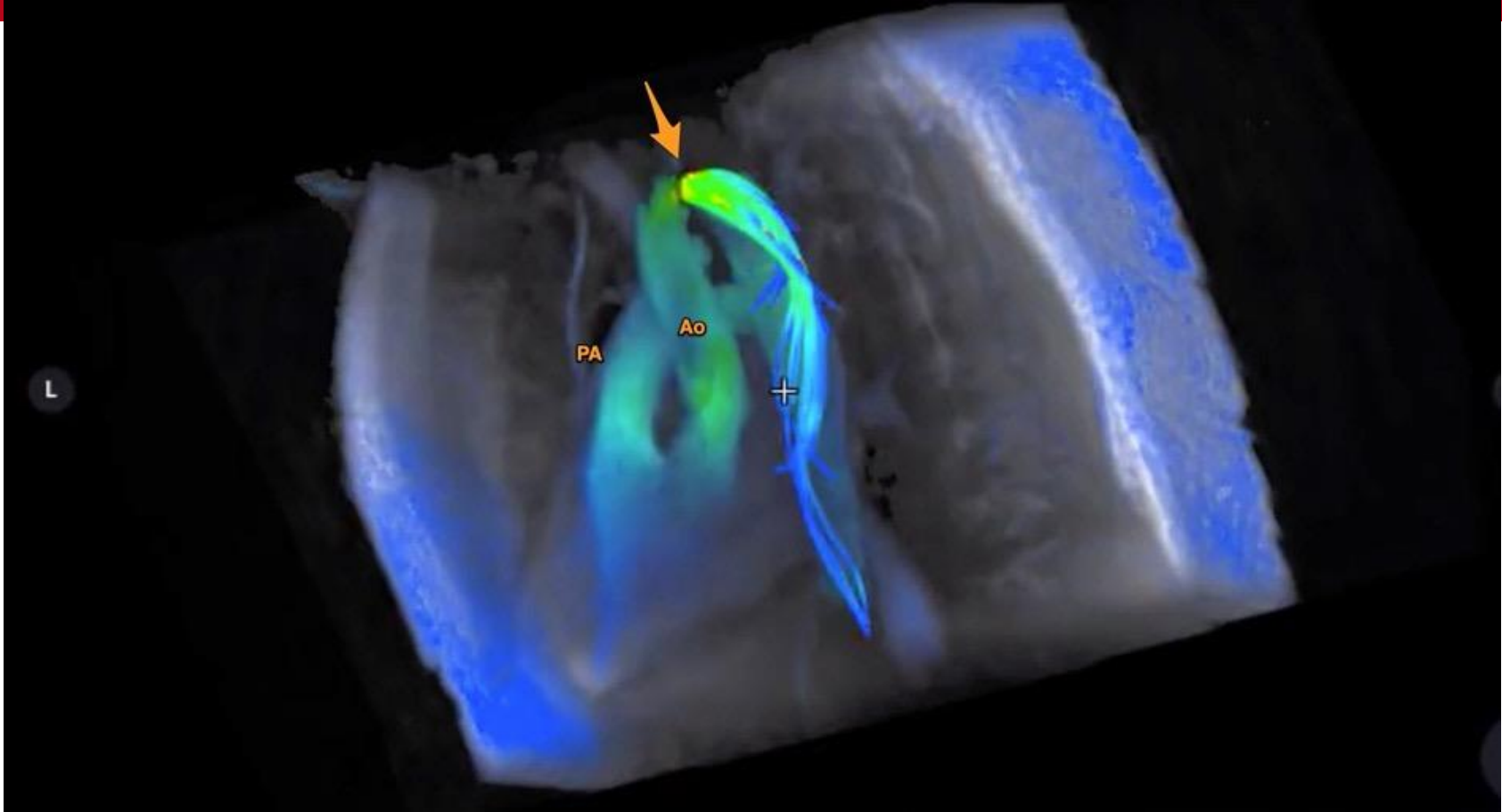
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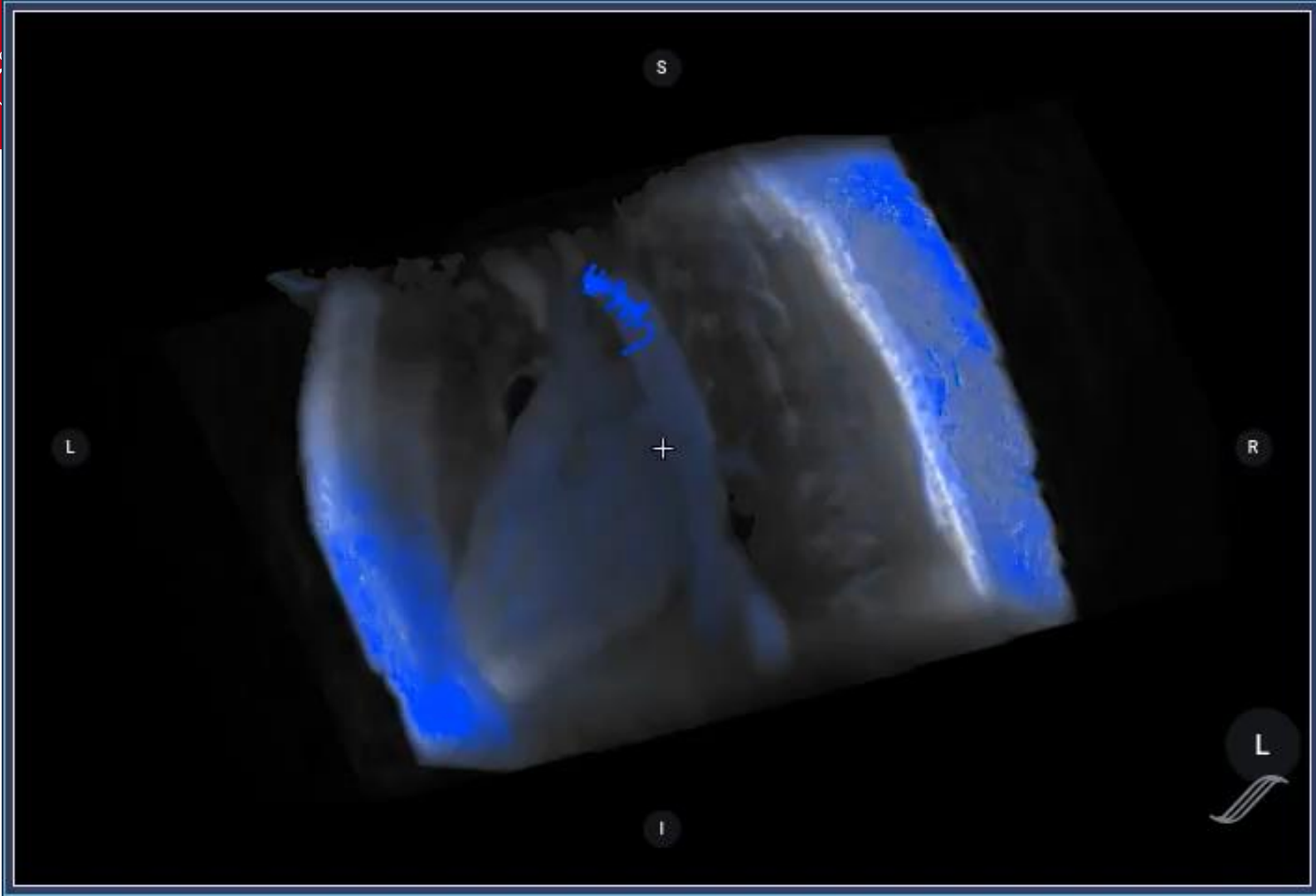
**PC- Piani utili nelle CHD**

*Adattato da: ESC/EACVI CHD/CMR guide, 2014*

## 4D flow sensitive velocity mapping

- Misurazione di tutte le tre componenti spaziali dei flussi E della componente temporale durante il ciclo cardiaco > quantificazione e visualizzazione di jet anche complessi
- Possibilità di acquisizione di grossi volumi con una acquisizione singola
- Possibilità di analisi dell'immagine anche a posteriori in qualunque piano contenuto nel volume di acquisizione





## **Contrast Enhanced Magnetic Resonance Angiography (CE-MRA)**

- Acquisizioni 3D angiografiche dopo iniezione di mdc paramagnetico
- Acquisizione veloce (anche singolo respiro) con buona risoluzione spaziale
- Importanza del timing corretto (concentrazione del contrasto nella zona anatomica di interesse)
- Time-resolved: più semplici, peggiora la risoluzione spaziale



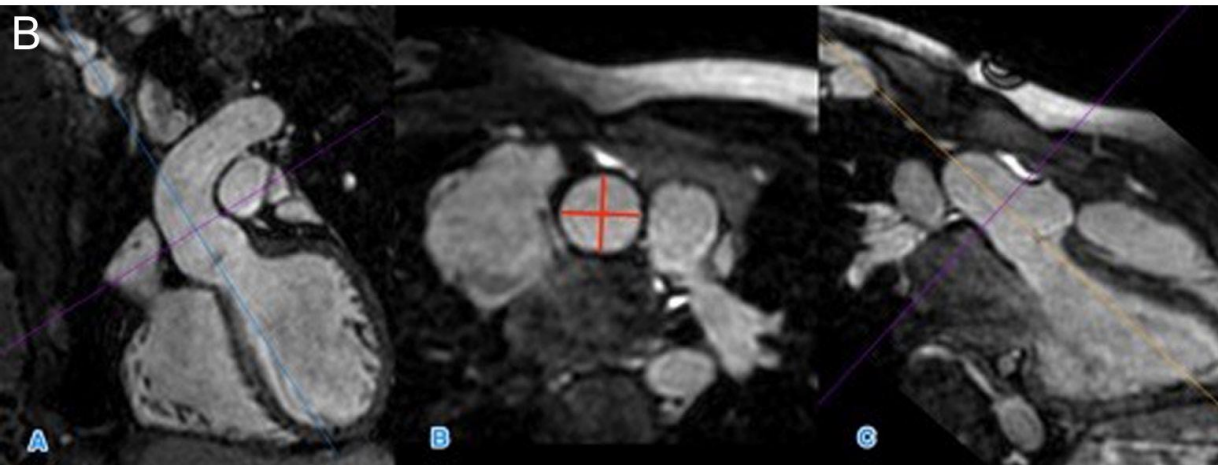
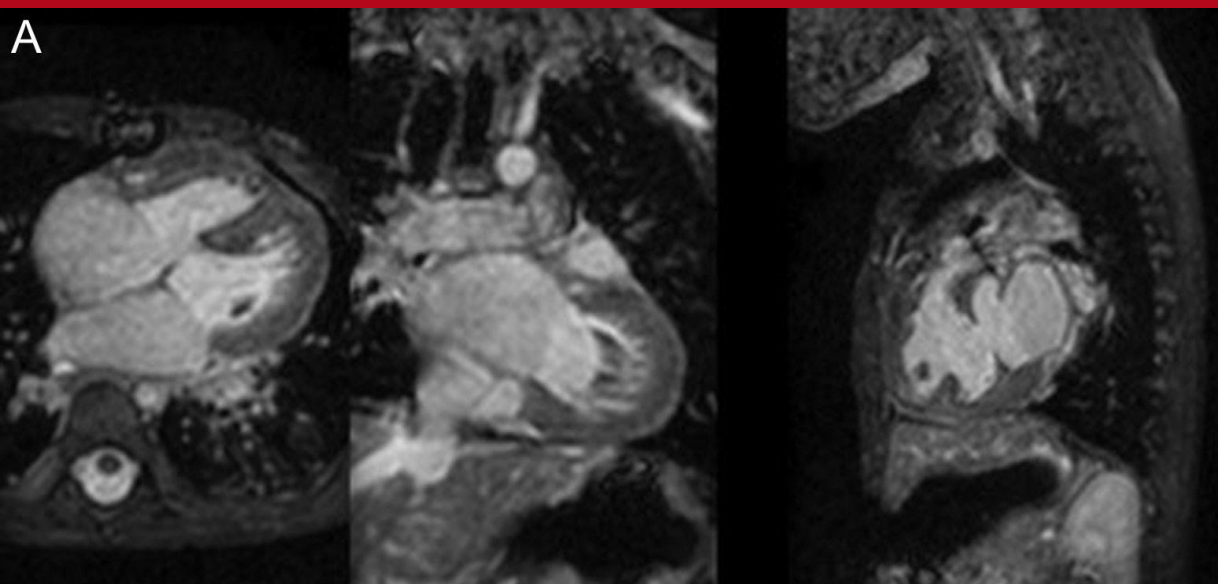
**L'orientamento dei difetti/lesioni non è necessariamente nei piani classici dello spazio!**  
**Utilità MPR (multi planar reconstruction)/3D**

## **3D steady-state free processing non contrast imaging (3D SSFP)**

Immagini bright blood

PROs: Permettono imaging 3D, sincronizzate con l'ECG, **SENZA** necessità di mdc (Fontan > diluizione contrasto per via della mancata opacizzazione del flusso cavale); anche a respiro singolo o con gating respiratorio grazie al navigatore diaframmatico > angiMR coronarica; ricostruzione immagini post acquisizione

CONS: acquisizione lunga in cui è necessaria immobilità; molto sensibile ad artefatti da devices; non utilizzabile per valutare il movimento delle strutture; molto sensibili ad aritmia

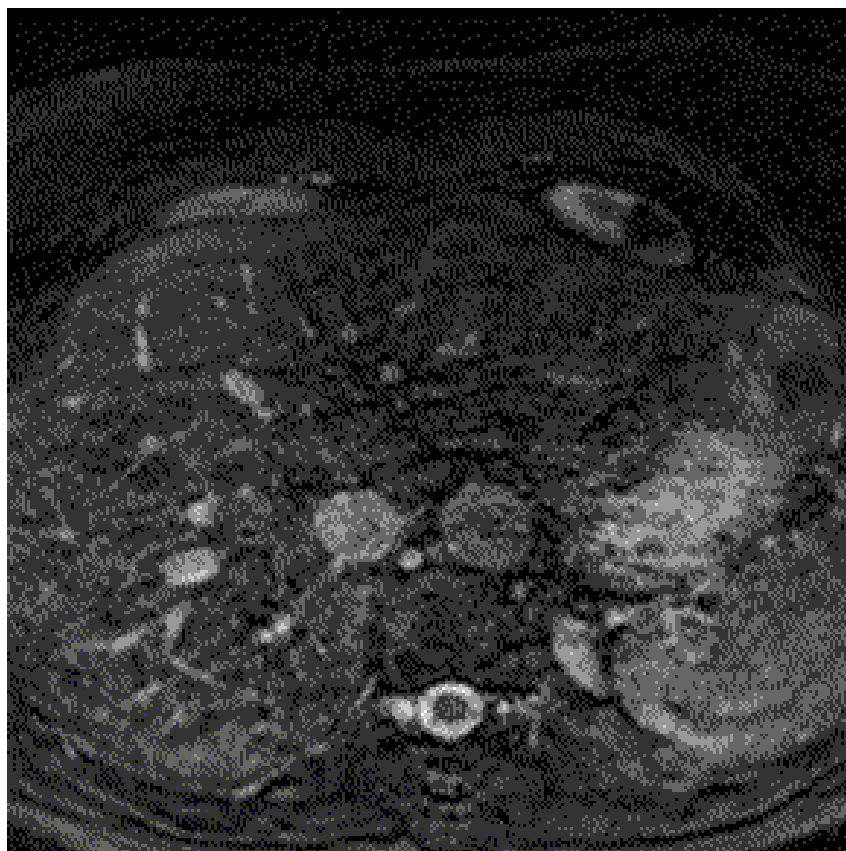


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The screenshot displays a medical software interface with two MRI scan windows on the left and a central 'Mask Properties' dialog box. The top window shows a cross-section of a heart with axes T (top), B (bottom), R (right), and L (left). The bottom window shows a similar cross-section with axes T (top), B (bottom), P (posterior), and A (anterior). The 'Mask Properties' dialog box is open, showing the following data:

**Mask Properties**

Color:

RV scar mask histogram:

Threshold low:	121	GV
Threshold high:	567	GV
Minimum value:	13	GV
Maximum value:	291	GV
Average value:	155.8629	GV
Standard deviation:	32.4787	GV
Number of pixels:	8109	GV
Mask volume:	35734.2237	mm3
	(Scale: 0/567)	GV

Buttons: Ok, Cancel, Help

On the right side of the interface, there are panels for 'Masks', '3D Objects', and 'STLs'. The 'Masks' panel shows a table:

Name	Visi...	As...	Low...	High
RV scar	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	121	567
LV vent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	121	567

The '3D Objects' panel shows:

Name	Vi...	Con...	Tr...	Transp.
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LV vent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medi

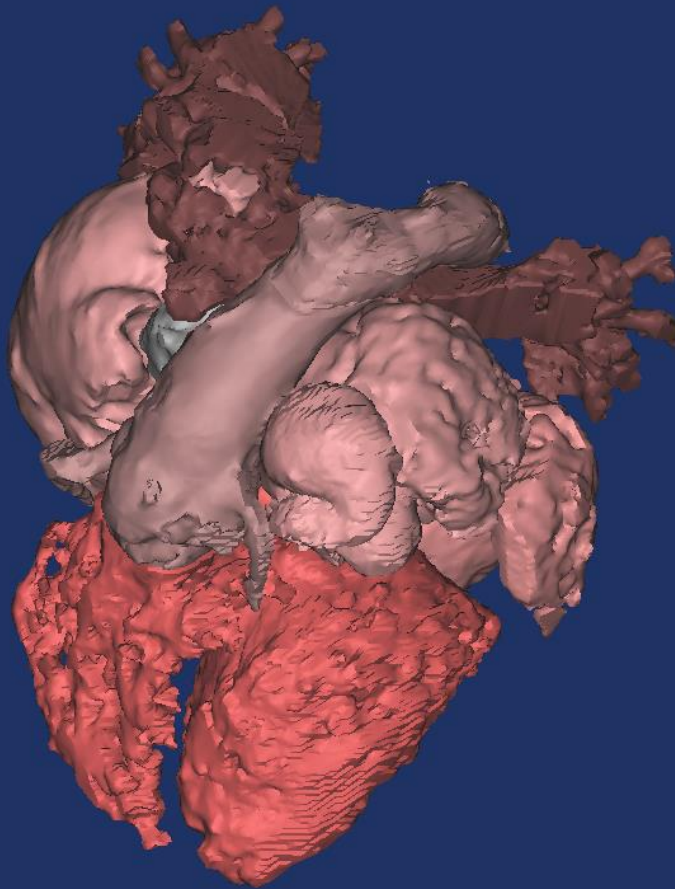
At the bottom right, there is a 'Contrast' panel with a histogram showing a distribution from 1 to 567.

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**Table 3 ECG and respiratory navigator-gated 3D steady-state free precession**

	Infant/small child	Large child/adult
Isotropic resolution (mm <sup>3</sup> )	1.2-1.5	1.3-2.0
Navigator window (mm)	3	5
Image acquisition duration (ms)	40-60	80-150
Trigger delay	End-systole or mid-diastole	Mid-diastole

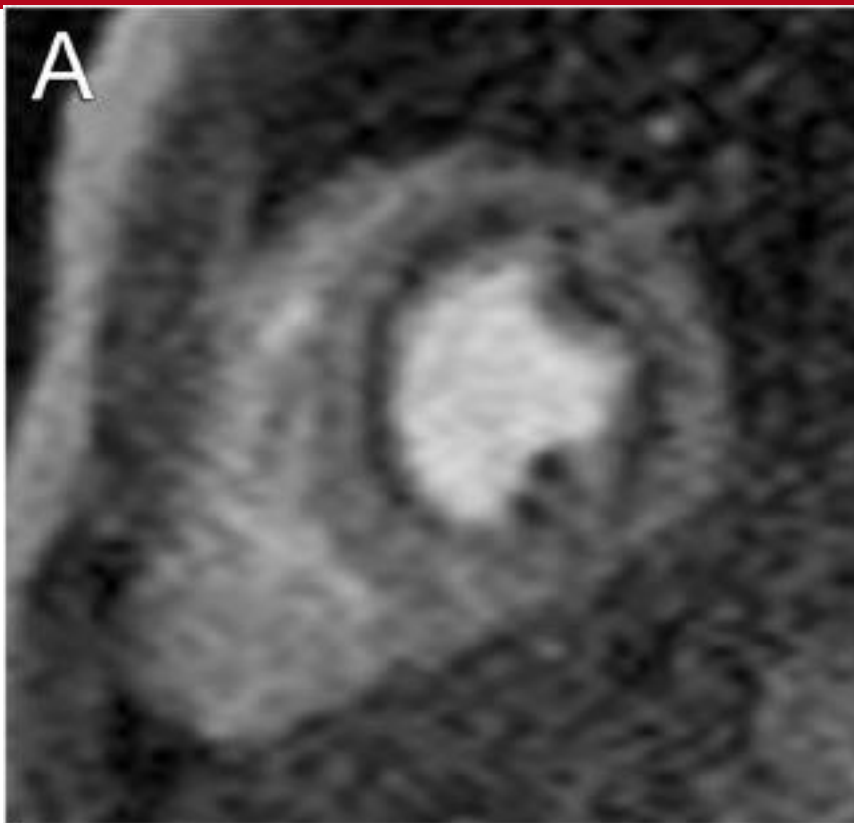
## **Altre tecniche utilizzate in MRI per la valutazione delle CHD**

**Perfusion imaging**

**LGE IR (scar, trombosi)**

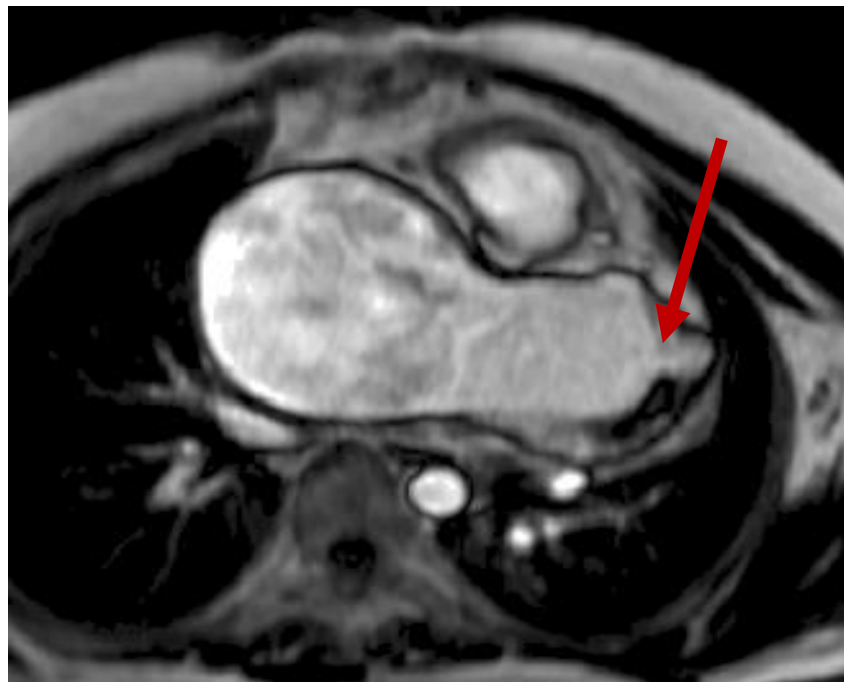
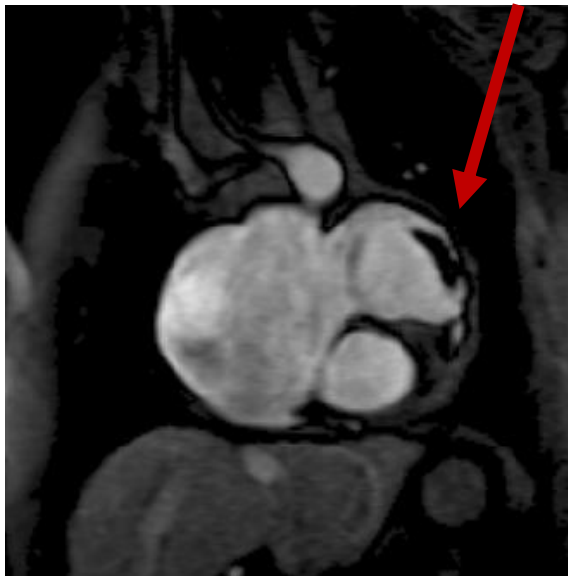
**T1 mapping**

**MR-augmented cardiac cath**

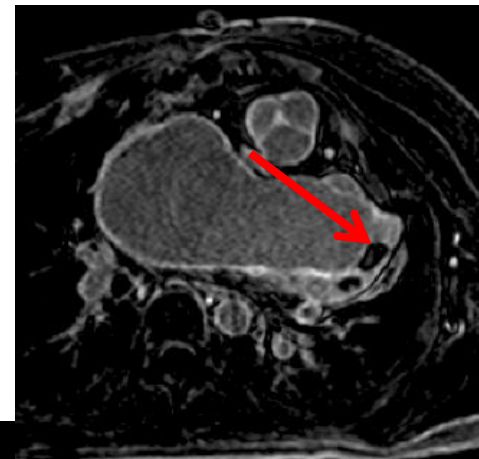
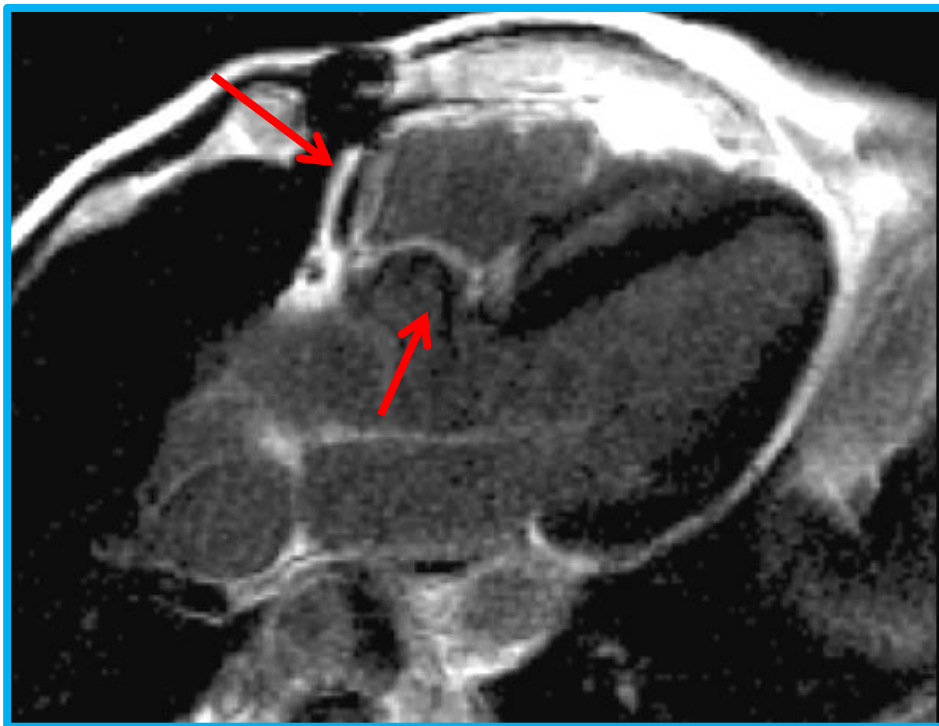


## Table 5 T1-weighted saturation-recovery gradient echo for first pass myocardial perfusion

	Infant/small child	Large child/adult
In-plane resolution (mm)	1.5-2.0	2.0-2.5
Slice thickness (mm)	5-8	8-10
Image acquisition timing	1 R-R or 2 R-R	1 R-R



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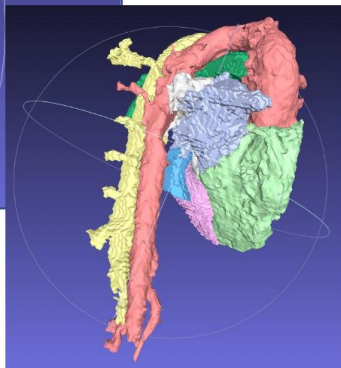
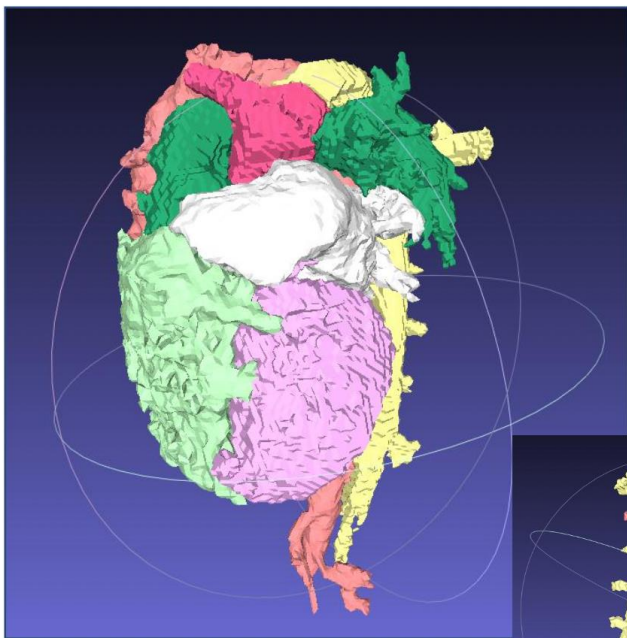
**Table 6 T1-weighted inversion-recovery gradient echo for late gadolinium enhancement**










	<b>Infant/small child</b>	<b>Large child/adult</b>
<b>In-plane resolution (mm)</b>	1.0-1.5	1.2-2.0
<b>Slice thickness (mm)</b>	5	6-8
<b>Views per segment</b>	8-16	16-28
<b>Number of signal averages</b>	1-2	1
<b>Image acquisition timing</b>	3 R-R or 4 R-R	2 R-R
<b>Trigger delay</b>	Diastole or systole	Diastole

## MODULO «LGE»

- LGE imaging in left ventricular 2-chamber and 3- chamber views, right ventricular 3-chamber view, 4-chamber view
- LGE imaging with a stack of contiguous slices to completely encompass both ventricles planned in a ventricular short-axis or axial orientation
- LGE imaging in an orthogonal plane to confirm LGE if present

**Key reporting elements: location, extent and thickness of LGE**



	IVC
	LV
	RV
	AO
	PA
	Baffle
	Hemi
	RA
	LA

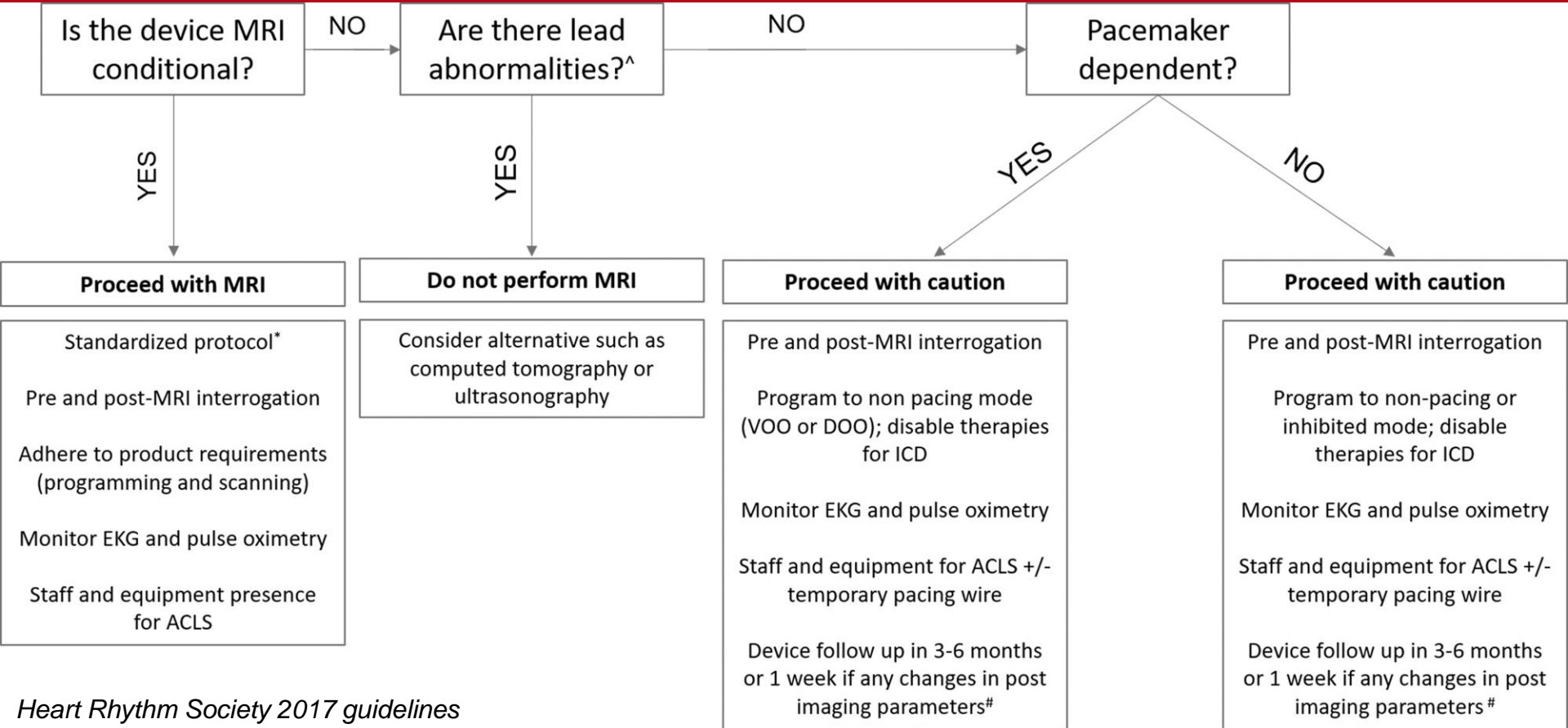
## ALTRI ASPETTI TECNICI

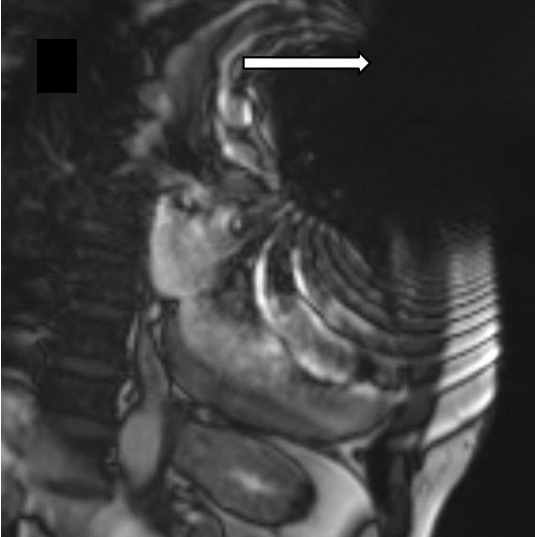
- **Dispersione calore più veloce nel bambino > coprire il paziente**
- **Compliance del paziente - Sedazione necessaria nei più piccoli**
- **Devices intracardiaci**
- **Aritmie**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE

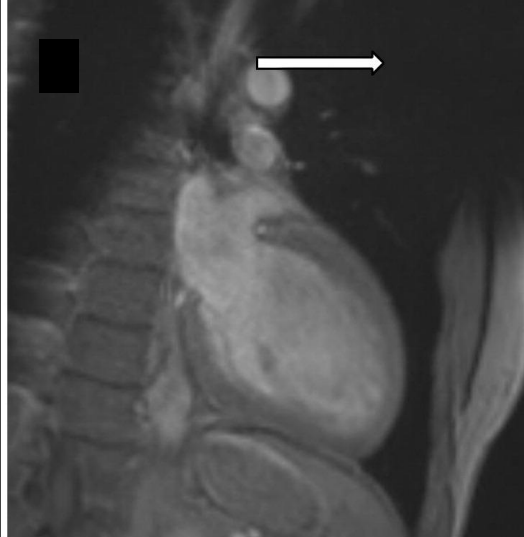
## Scarsa compliance respiratoria

Acceleration technique	Comment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reduce <b>number of slices</b> acquired per breath-hold</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Increases overall scan time</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reduce <b>number of phases</b> for each breath-hold:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- by reducing <b>acquisition matrix</b> (scan or phase percentage)</li><li>- by reducing <b>FOV</b></li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reduces SNR</li><li>• Increases spatial resolution</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Increase <b>voxel size</b></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Decreases spatial resolution</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use <b>parallel imaging</b></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prone to artefacts</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use <b>respiratory navigator</b></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Increases overall scan time</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Acquire images in <b>inspiration</b></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Varying slice position with each breath-hold</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use <b>real time imaging</b></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reduces image quality</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Consider <b>general anaesthesia</b></li></ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ensure <b>correct understanding</b> of breath-hold technique</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• If patient has no respiratory problems</li></ul>





**SSFP**



**Gradient  
echo**

**Devices**



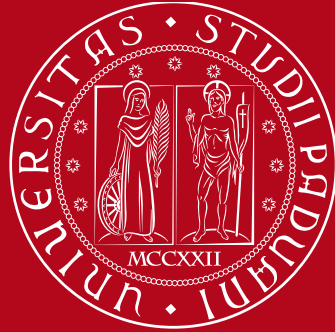
**Devices**

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Technique	Comment
• <b>Ensure correct lead position</b>	
• <b>Try again</b>	• You might be lucky!
• <b>Heart rate and/or rhythm control</b> before scanning	• Use beta-blockers or other antiarrhythmic medication
• Use <b>arrhythmia rejection</b>	• Increases breath-hold time
• Use <b>prospective triggering</b>	• Cardiac diastole is not entirely visualised
• Use <b>real-time imaging</b>	• Reduces temporal and spatial resolution as well as SNR
• <b>Scan in inspiration</b>	• If heart signal capture is suboptimal • Reduces vasovagal arrhythmias
• <b>Increase NSA</b>	• Signal averaging can be useful for e.g. delayed contrast imaging
• <b>Alternative sequence</b>	• E.g. turbo field echo rather than SSFP, white blood imaging rather than black blood sequences

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# I Master di Risonanza Magnetica Cardiaca

Cardiopatie congenite – Parte 2

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# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE

## Cardiac Situs

Situs solitus  
Situs inversus  
Situs ambiguus  
Based on atrial morphology  
Bronchial situs is a surrogate

## Cardiac Position

Levocardia  
Dextrocardia  
Mesocardia  
  
Based on position in thorax

## Cardiac Segments

Atrial Segment  
Ventricular Segment  
Arterial Segment

## Connections

Veno-Atrial Connection  
Atrio-Ventricular Connection  
Ventricular-Arterial Connection

**Sequential segmental  
analysis**

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## Cardiac Situs



### Situs Solitus

- Anterior RA (on right)
- Posterior LA (on left)



### Situs Inversus

- Posterior RA (on left)
- Anterior LA (on right)



### Situs Ambiguus

- Right**      **Left**
- RA or LA isomerism

## Abdominal Situs



### Situs Solitus



### Situs Inversus

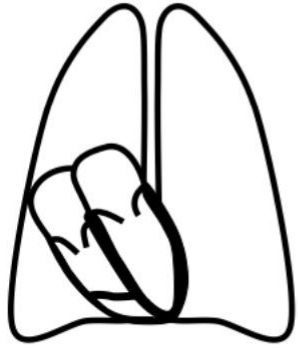


### Heterotaxia

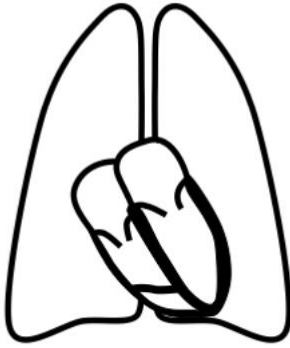
## Sequential segmental Analysis: situs

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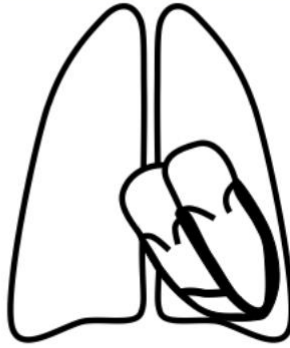
## Cardiac Position



Dextroposition



Mesoposition



Levoposition

**Sequential segmental  
Analysis: posizione e  
orientamento del cuore**

## Cardiac Orientation



Dextrocardia



Mesocardia



Levocardia

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE

## Atrial Segment



### Right atrium

- Broad, based, triangular appendage
- Short and vertical bronchus arrangement



### Left atrium

- Narrow, tubular appendage
- Long and horizontal bronchus arrangement

## Ventricular Segment

### Right ventricle

- Trabeculated
- TV associated, TV attachments to the septal moderator band
- Muscular infundibulum between inlet and outlet



### Left ventricle

- Smooth walled
- MV associated, MV attachments to papillary muscles

## Arterial Segment

### Pulmonary Trunk

- Bifurcation to RPA and LPA

### Aorta

- Left- or right-sided
- Coronary arteries
- Regular branches

## Sequential segmental Analysis: segmenti cardiaci

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE

## Veno-Atrial Connection

- IVC and SVC connections
- Presence of left SVC (90% left SVCs drain to RA via coronary sinus)
- Normal, partial or total anomalous pulmonary venous drainage

## Atrio-Ventricular Connection and Inlets



### AV concordance

- RA is connected to RV, LA to LV

The valves go with the ventricles

Double inlet, mitral atresia, tricuspid atresia, AVSD



### AV discordance

- RA is connected to LV, LA to RV

## Ventricular-Arterial Connection

### VA concordance

- LV is connected to Ao
- RV to MPA

Double outlet, single outlet

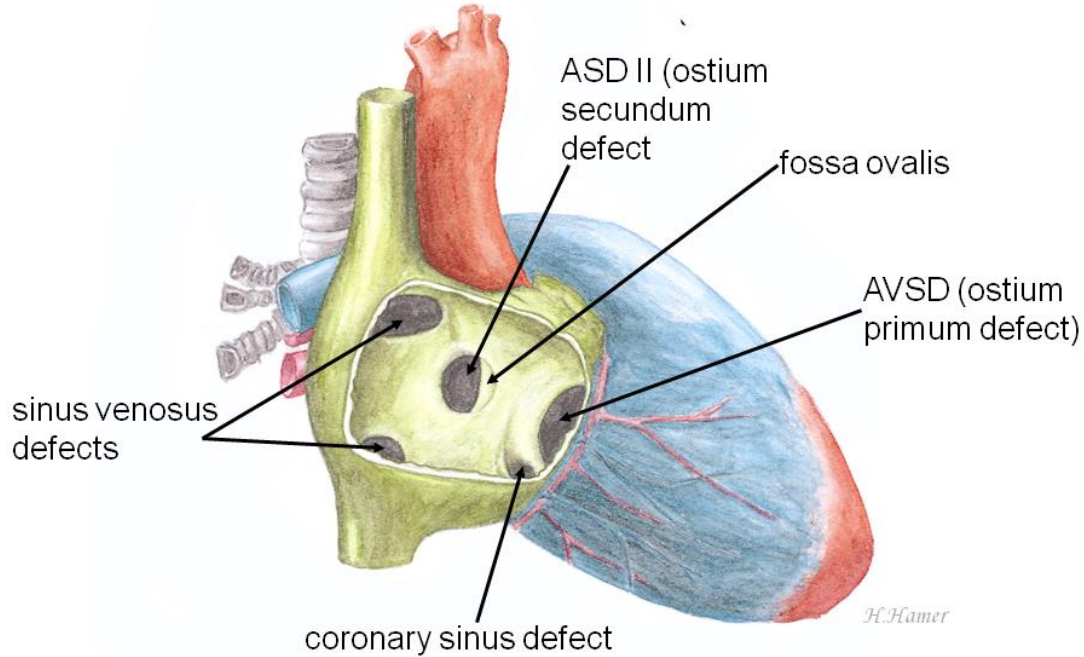
(e.g. pulmonary atresia or truncus arteriosus)

### VA discordance

- LV is connected to MPA
- RV to Ao

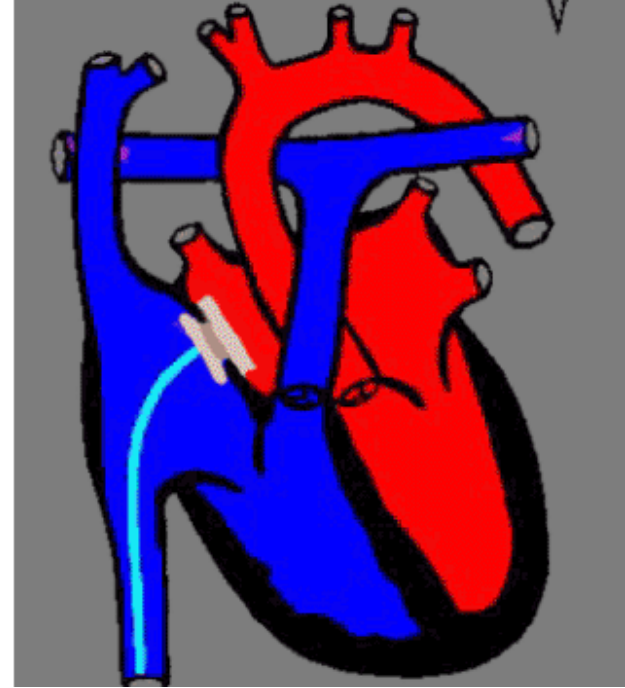
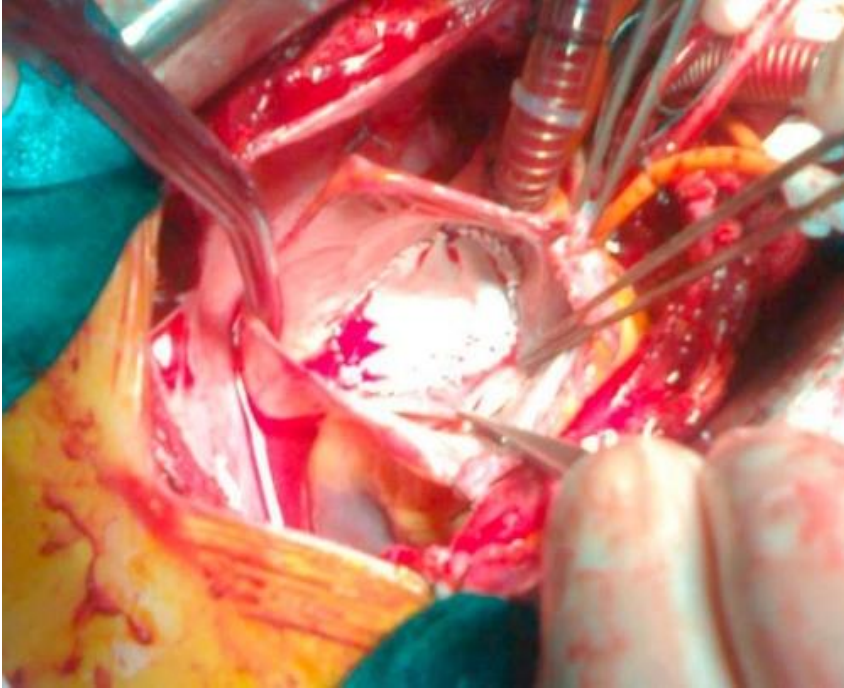
## Sequential segmental Analysis: connessioni

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti interatriali



*Types of atrial septal defects with their locations*

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti interatriali



**Correzione chirurgica (tutti i tipi) o percutanea (ostium secundum)  
Sequele a lungo termine: shunt residuo**

## PROTOCOLLO DIA TIPO OSTIUM SECUNDUM

### Standard imaging

1. Cine CMR: stack di slices sottili in piano 4CH che includa interamente il setto interatriale
2. Cine CMR: stack di slices sottili in piano sagittale obliquo perpendicolare al SIA che lo includa interamente
3. Modulo ventricolografia
4. PC CMR: AAO, PA

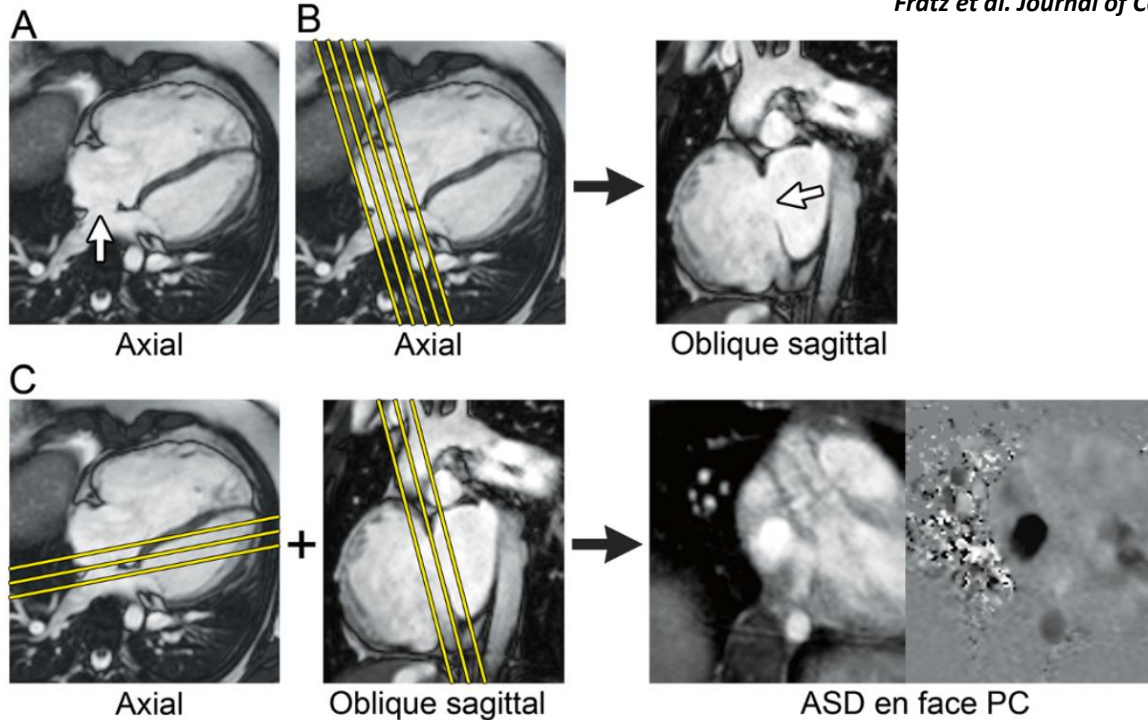
### Eventualmente anche:

1. PC CMR: 1–3 slices parallele al piano del SIA, in modo da ottenere una «en face view» of the defect con through-plane velocity encoding
2. PC CMR: stack di slices sottili in 4 CH e/o in piano obliquo sagittale perpendicolare al setto interatriale che lo includa interamente, con in-plane velocity encoding nella direzione del flusso del DIA
3. CE-MRA o 3D SSFP per l'albero vascolare toracico

**Key reporting elements: numero e posizione dei difetti, misurazione dei margini dei difetti, parametri ventricolari, Qp/Qs**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti interatriali

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**Figure 17 Secundum atrial septal defect (ASD) imaging protocol.** **A.** Axial steady-state free precession (SSFP) image in a 10-year-old with a large secundum ASD (white arrow). **B.** The axial SSFP image is used to plan a stack of oblique sagittal SSFP images to visualize the ASD and the superior and inferior defect margins. **C.** The axial and oblique sagittal images are used together to plan a stack of phase-contrast (PC) cine images to visualize the ASD flow *en face*. This provides insight into the oval shape of the defect and may demonstrate additional ASDs.

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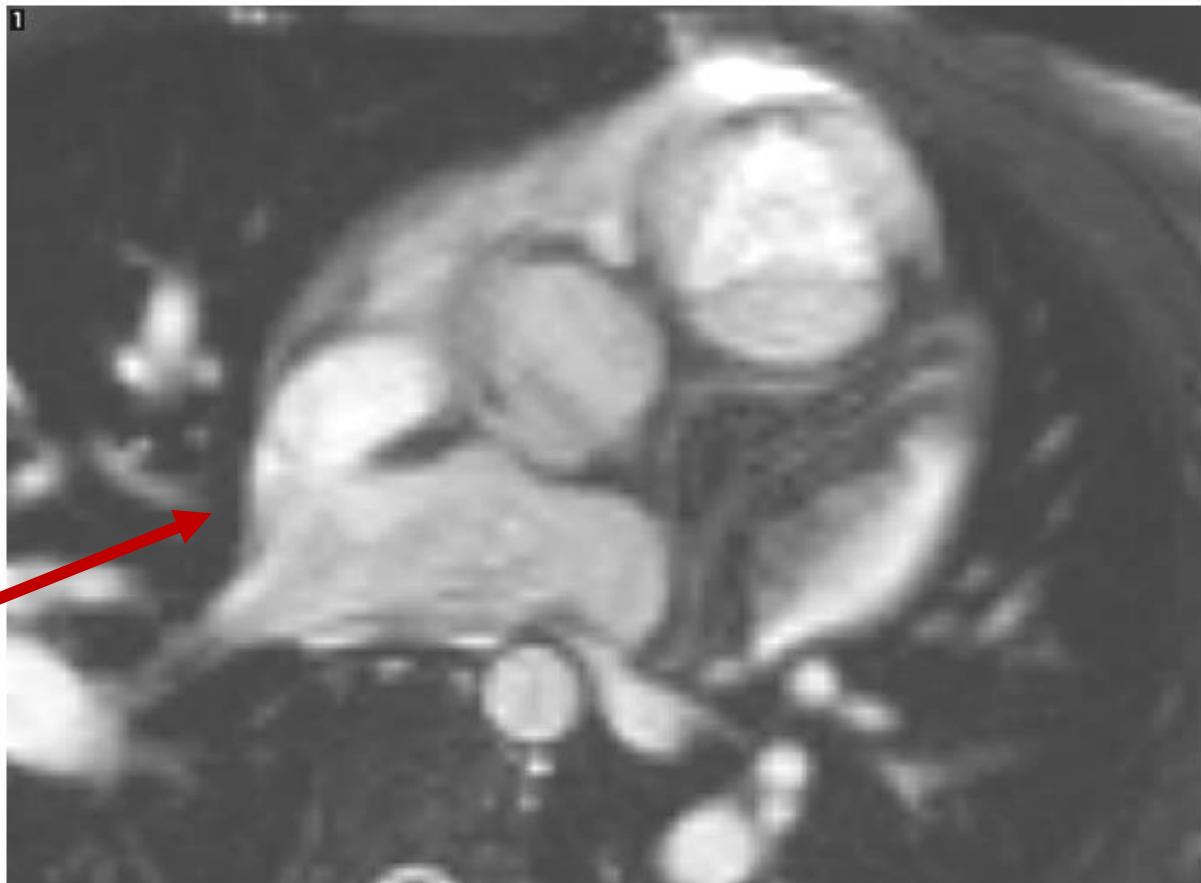
## PROTOCOLLO DIA TIPO SENO VENOSO

### Standard imaging

1. Cine CMR: stack assiale da metà fegato fino alla sommità dell'arco aortico
2. Cine CMR: piano sagittale obliquo perpendicolare al piano del difetto
3. Modulo ventricolografia
4. CE-MRA or 3D SSFP per l'albero vascolare toracico
5. PC CMR: AAO, AP

**Key reporting elements: posizione e dimensioni del difetto, ritorni venosi polmonari, parametri ventricolari, Qp/Qs**

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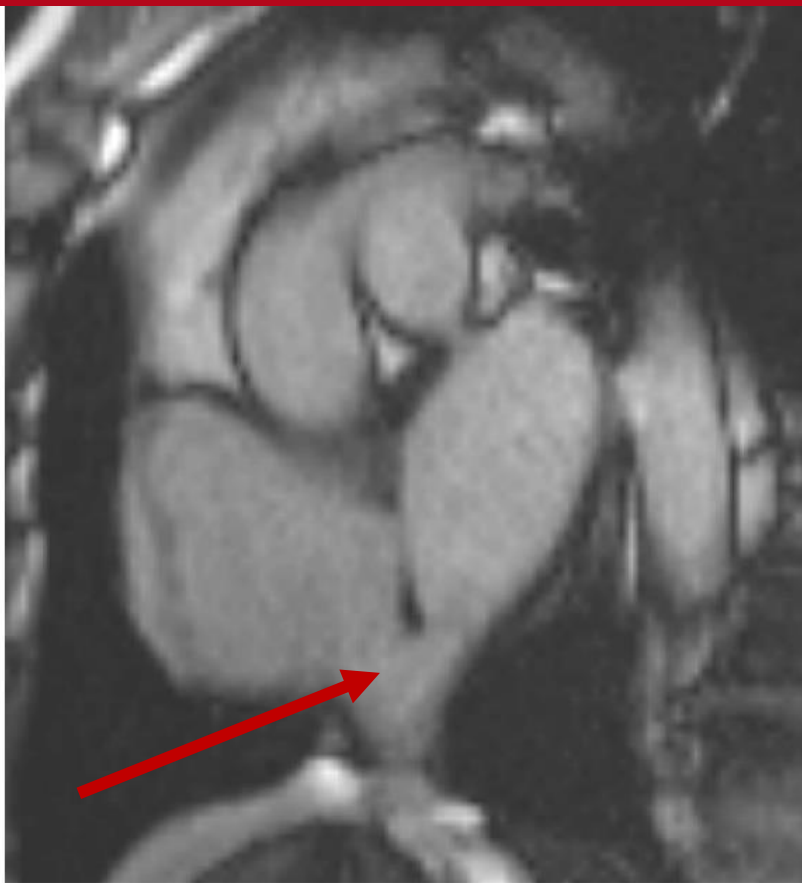


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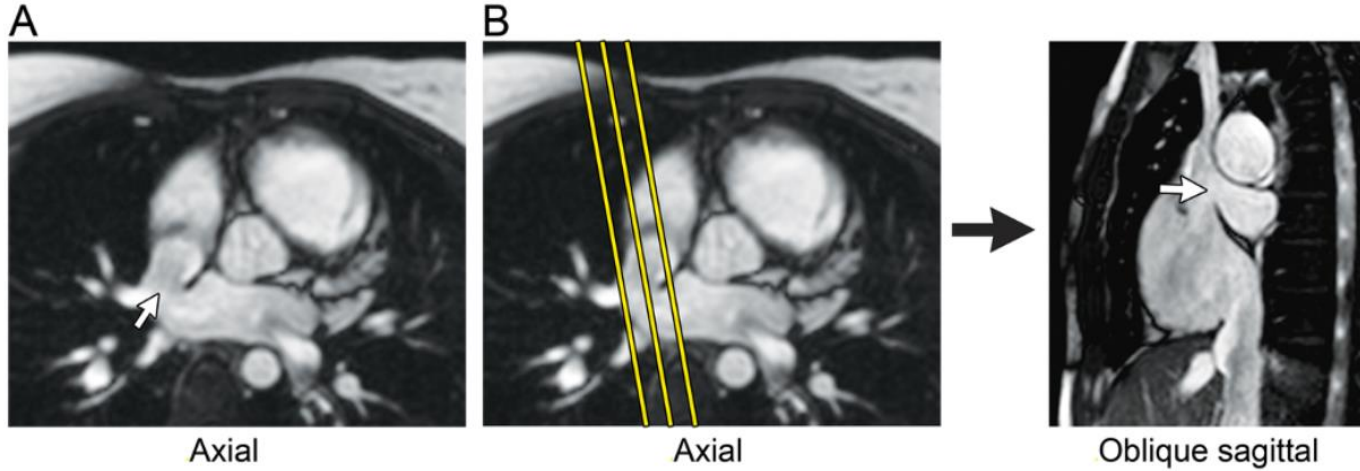
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**Figure 18 Sinus venous septal defect imaging protocol.** **A.** Axial steady-state free precession (SSFP) cine image in a 22-year-old with a large sinus venous septal defect (white arrow). **B.** The axial SSFP image is used to plan a stack of oblique sagittal SSFP cine images to visualize the defect in an orthogonal view and assess its superoinferior dimension.

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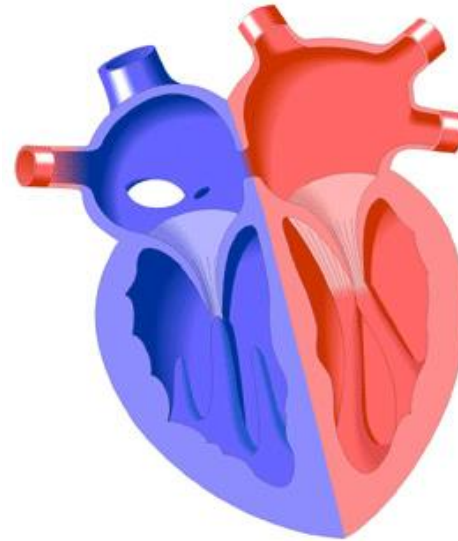
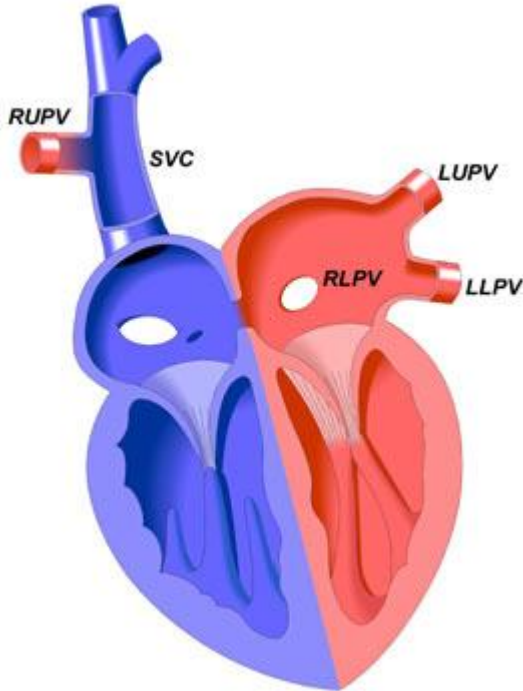
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# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: ritorni venosi polmonari anomali

Una o più vene polmonari arrivano alle sezioni destre (direttamente, tramite il flusso cavale superiore o inferiore, o con un collettore)- PARZIALI o TOTALI



# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: ritorni venosi polmonari anomali

- Il PAPVD delle vene di destra si associa quasi sempre a DIA tipo seno venoso.
- Il PAPVD delle vene di sinistra non si associa a DIA seno venoso, e spesso arriva in atrio destro tramite un collettore venoso.

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: ritorni venosi polmonari anomali

## Standard imaging

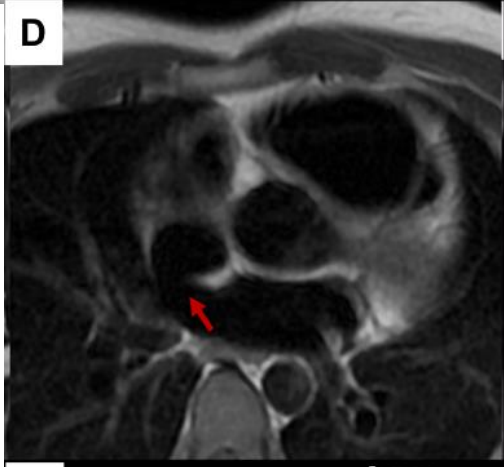
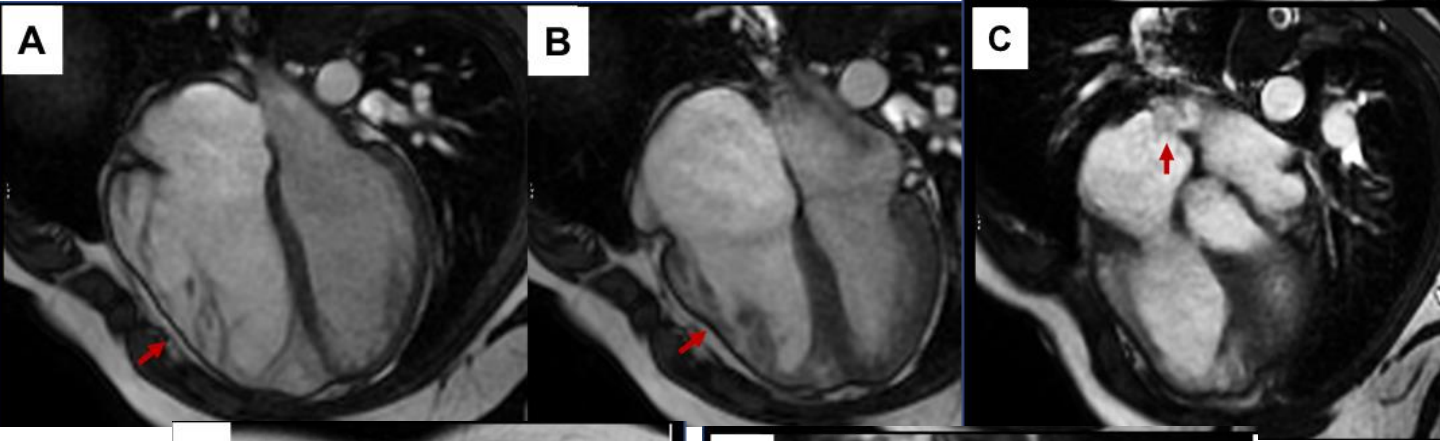
- 1.Cine CMR: stack assiale da metà addome alla sommità dell'arco aortico
- 2.Cine CMR: piano obliquo per valutare la/e vena/e anomala/e in asse lungo
- 3.Modulo ventricolografia
- 4.CE-MRA o 3D SSFP per la l'albero vascolare toracico
- 5.PC CMR: AAO, AP, APDx, APsn

## Eventualmente anche:

PC CMR: vena anomala

**Key reporting elements: numero, sede, drenaggio delle vene polmonari; parametri ventricolari; Qp/Qs, distribuzione del flusso nelle arterie polmonari**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Ritorni venosi polmonari anomali



**DIA tipo Seno  
venoso superiore +  
RVPAP vene pp dx**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: shunt pretricuspidalici

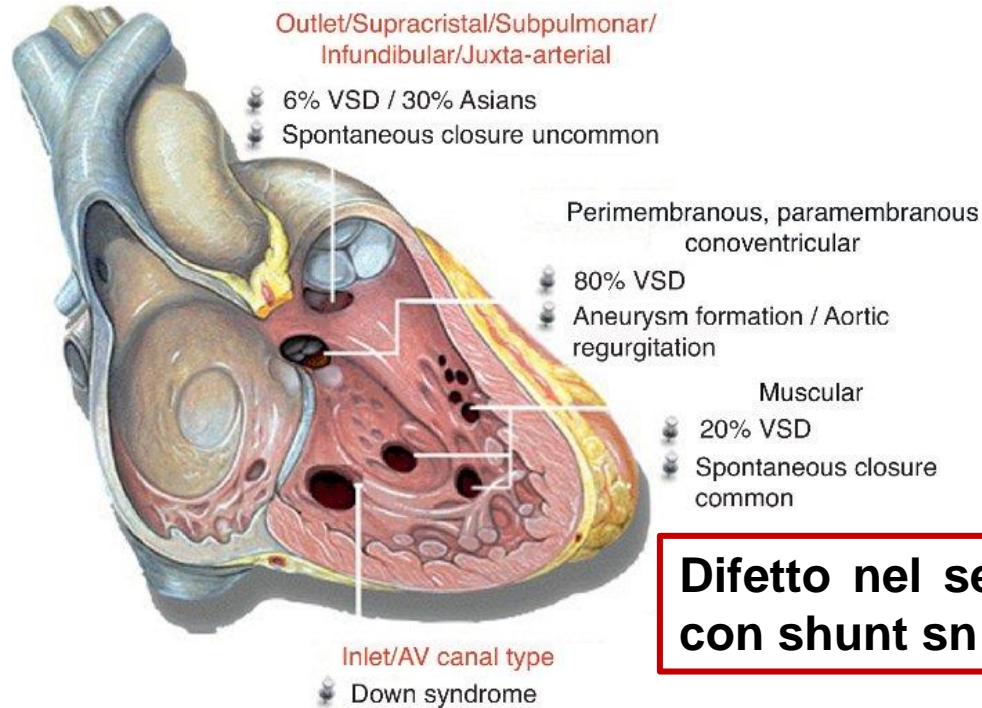
## Shunt pretricuspidalico sn>dx:

1. Dilatazione ventricolare destra
2.  $Q_p:Q_s > 1$
3. Flusso in arteria polmonare (PASV)=stroke volume RV (RVSV)

## Shunt pretricuspidalico dx>sn:

1. Dilatazione ventricolare destra
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3. Flusso in arteria polmonare (PASV)=stroke volume RV (RVSV)

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti interventricolari



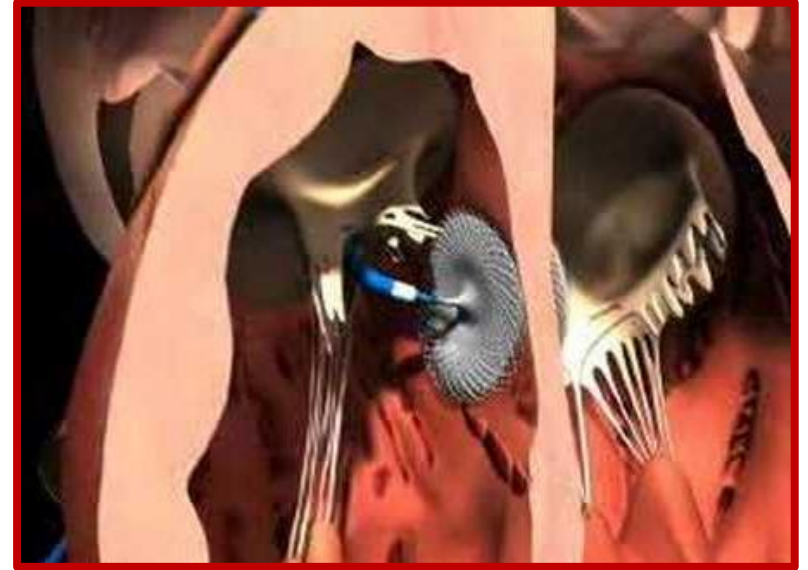
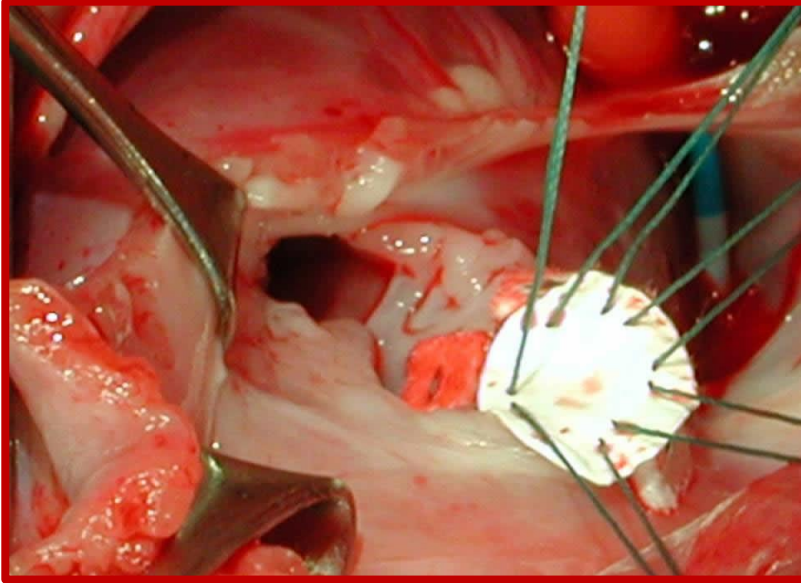
**Difetto nel setto interventricolare  
con shunt sn >dx**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti interventricolari

## **Possibili reperti associati ai DIV:**

- **Aneurismi del setto IV**
- **Ventricolo destro «a doppia camera»**
- **Prolasso delle cuspidi aortiche +/- insufficienza valvolare aortica**
- **Stenosi sottovalvolare aortica**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti interventricolari



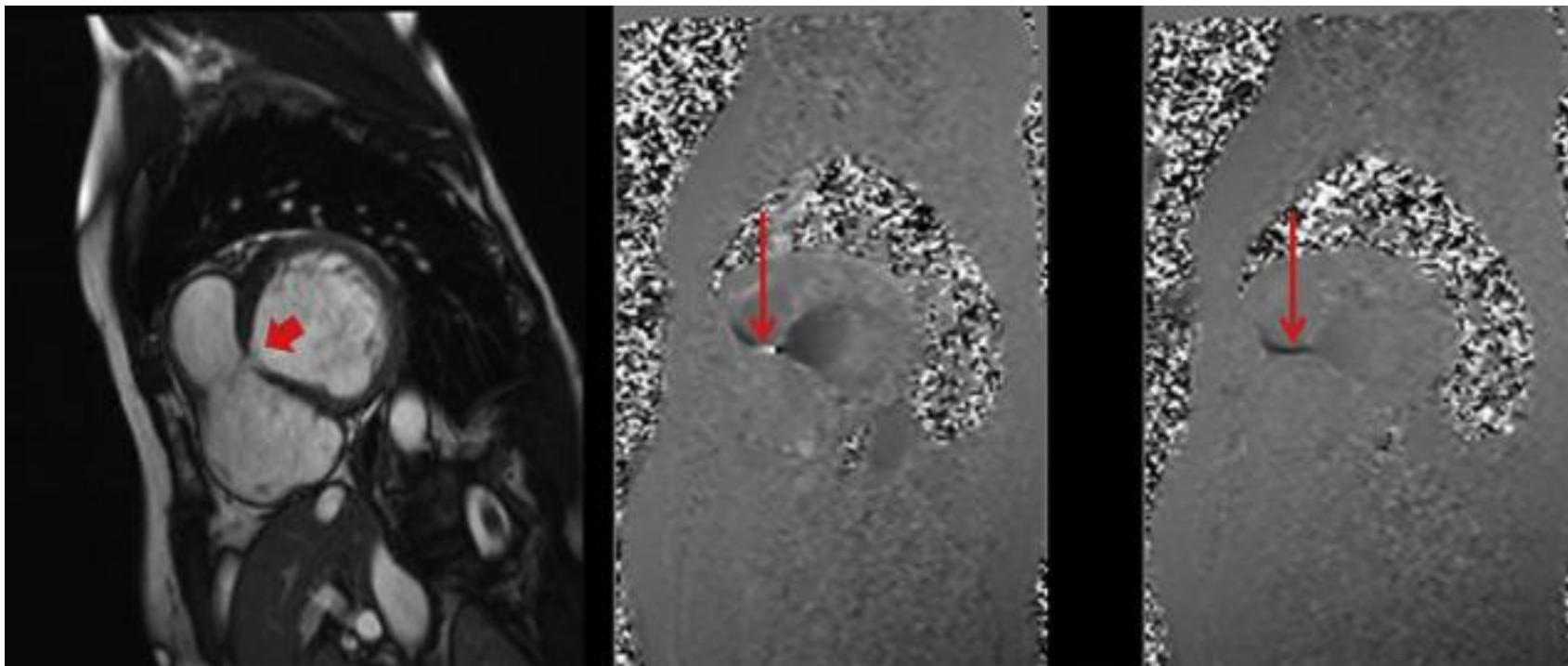
**Correzione chirurgica o percutanea**  
**Complicanze: DIV residuo, ostruzione RVOT**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti interventricolari

## **DIV restrittivo:**

- **Piccolo (<1/2 diametro valvolare aortico)**
- **Alta velocità sn > dx**
- **Vdx normale**
- **Pressioni polmonari normali**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti interventricolari



# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti interventricolari

## **DIV non restrittivo:**

- **Grande**
- **Ipertrofia ventricolare destra e segni di sovraccarico pressorio ventricolare destro**
- **Possibile Eisenmenger S**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti interventricolari

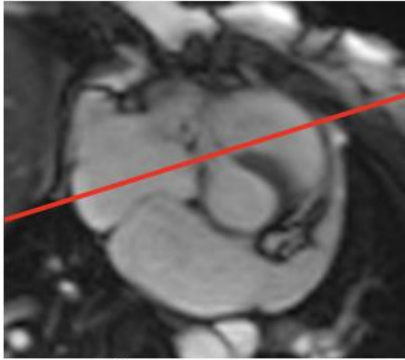
## Shunt sn >dx:

- Dilatazione Vsn
- $QP:QS > 1$
- $LVSV = PASV$  e  $RVSV=AoSV$

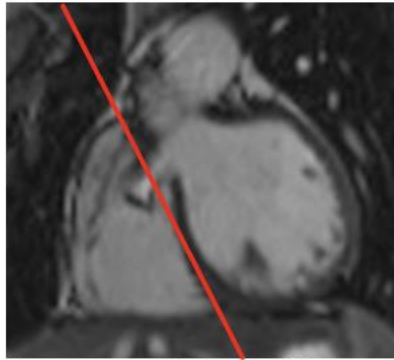
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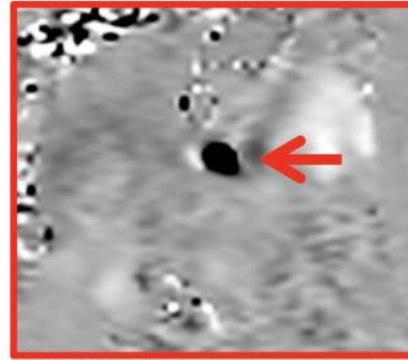
# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti interventricolari



Basal SA of LV stack



Coronal localizer



VSD flow

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti interventricolari

## PROTOCOLLO DIV

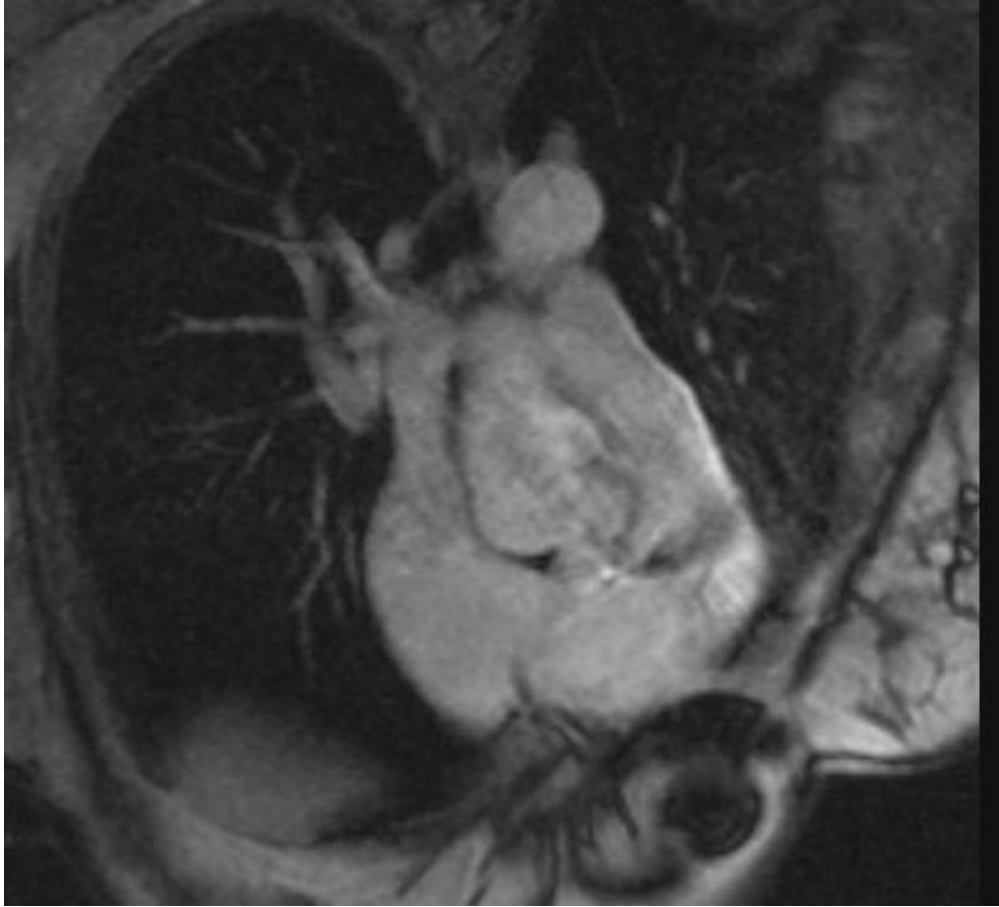
### Standard imaging

- 1.Stacks anatomici
- 2.Cine VLA, HLA, LV stack, RV stack
3. Cine LVOT, RVOT
- 4.Cine valvola aortica
- 5.CP CMR: AAO, MPA

### Eventualmente anche:

1. PC CMR: 1–3 slices parallele al piano del setto interventricolare, per ottenere una «en face view» del difetto e un through-plane velocity encoding
2. PC CMR: 1-3 slices in 4 camere e/o perpendicolari al SIV in un piano sagittale obliquo che includa completamente il SIV, con in-plane velocity encoding nella direzione del flusso del DIV

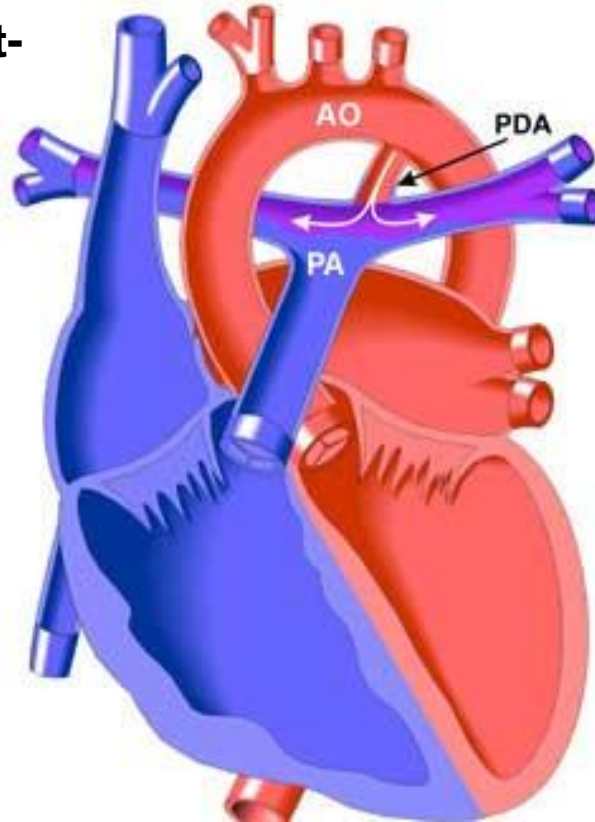
**Key reporting elements: numero, tipo e posizione dei difetti, parametri ventricolari, Qp/Qs**





# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: pervietà del dotto arterioso

**Mancata chiusura post-natale del dotto di Botallo**



# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: pervietà del dotto arterioso

- **Dilatazione Vsn**
- **QP:QS < 1**
- **RVSV = PASV e LVSV=AoSV**
  
- **Dilatazione Asn**
- **Dilatazione vene polmonari e aorta ascendente se dotto ampio**
- **Talora associato a Coartazione aortica**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: pervietà del dotto arterioso

## **Chiusura:**

- chirurgica
- Percutanea (coil, occluder)

**Complicanze operatorie a lungo termine: shunt residuo**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Pervietà del dotto arterioso

## PROTOCOLLO PDA

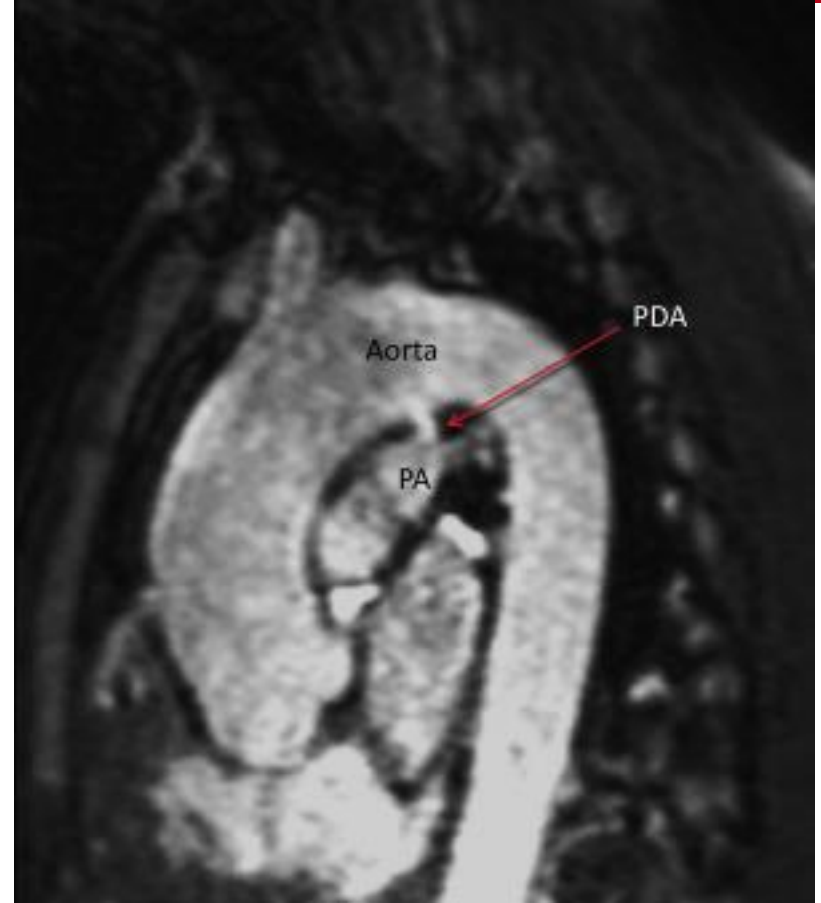
### Standard imaging

- 1.Stacks anatomici
- 2.Cine VLA, HLA, LV stack, RV stack
3. Cine LVOT, RVOT
- 4.Cine arteria polmonare e arco aortico
- 5.Cine PDA
- 6.PC CMR: Aorta pre e post Pda, flusso v.aortica, flusso MPA, RPA e LP

### Eventualmente anche:

MRA Aorta

**Elementi essenziali: lunghezza, diametro e forma del dotto, parametri ventricolari, Qp/Qs**

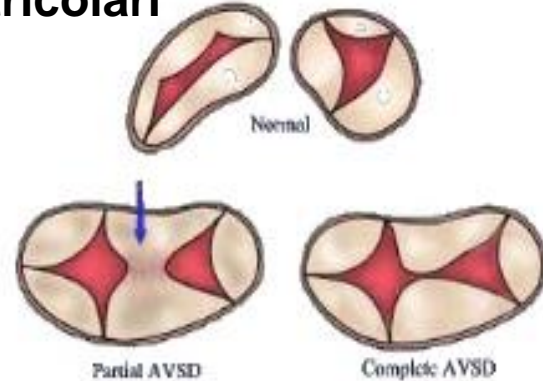


# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti del setto atrioventricolare

**Mancata fusione del setto atriale e ventricolare, con residuo difetto confluyente e anulus comune delle valvole atrio ventricolari**

## Types of AVSD:

- Complete AVSD
- Partial AVSD



## Levels of shunting:

- Interatrial and interventricular shunt

(not attached atrial or ventricular septal crest)

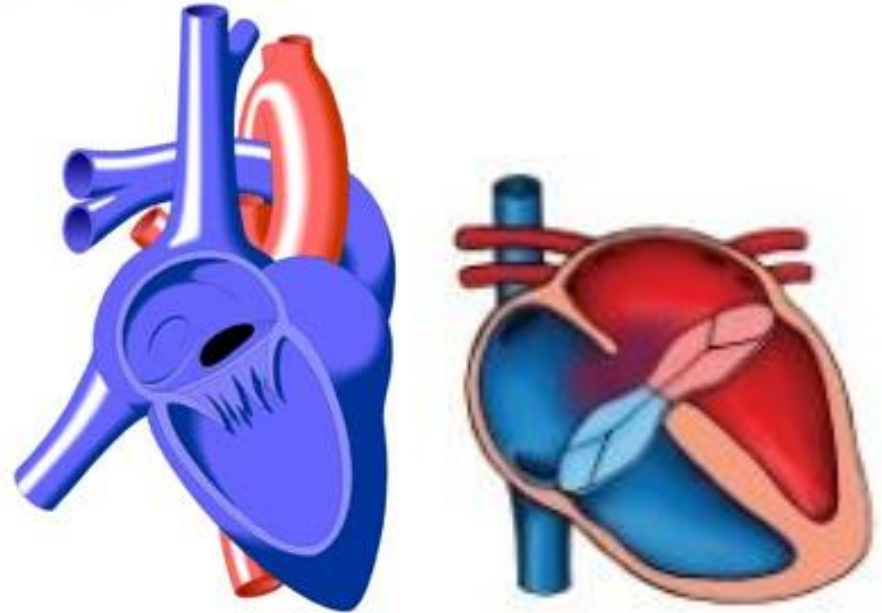
- Interatrial shunt

(attached to the ventricular septal crest)



# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti del setto atrioventricolare (parziali)

- Due orifizi separati per la valvola AV, con il lembo anteriore diviso in componente destra e sinistra e inserito direttamente sul bordo del SIV.
- Detto anche difetto interatriale “ostium primum”
- Spesso associato a Trisomia 21

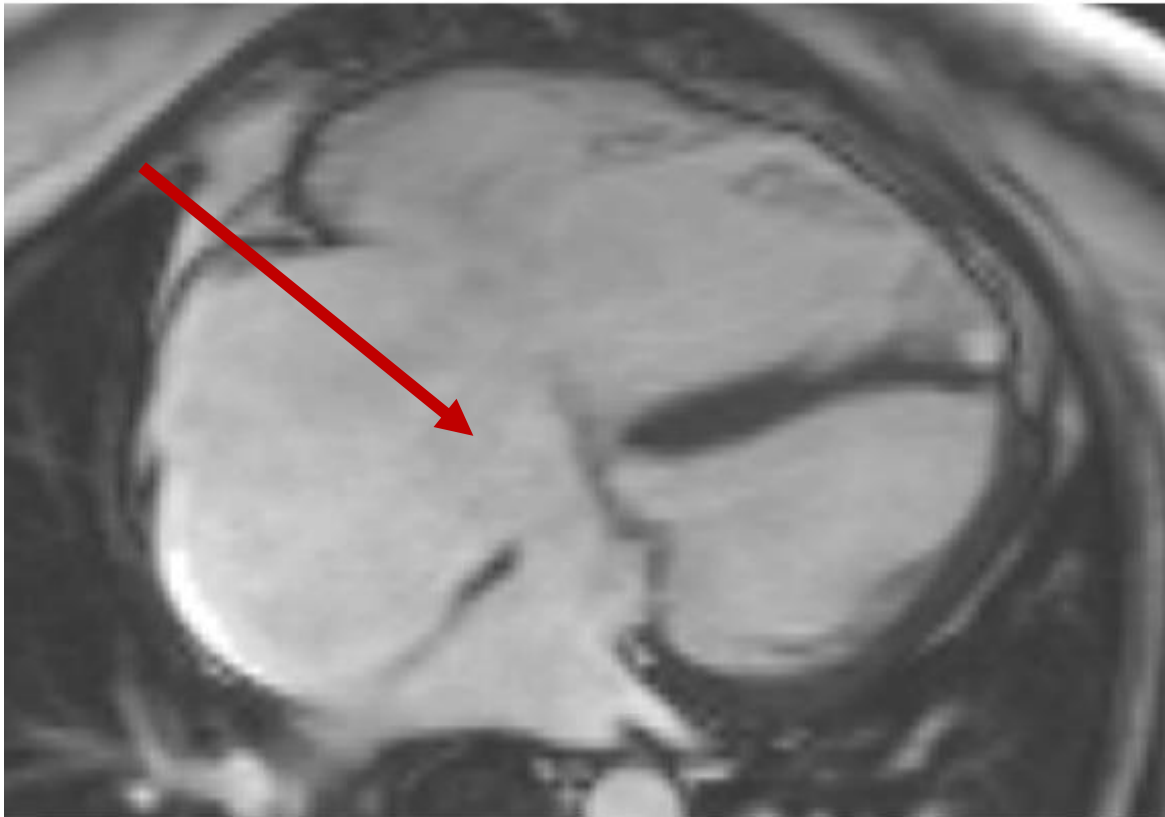


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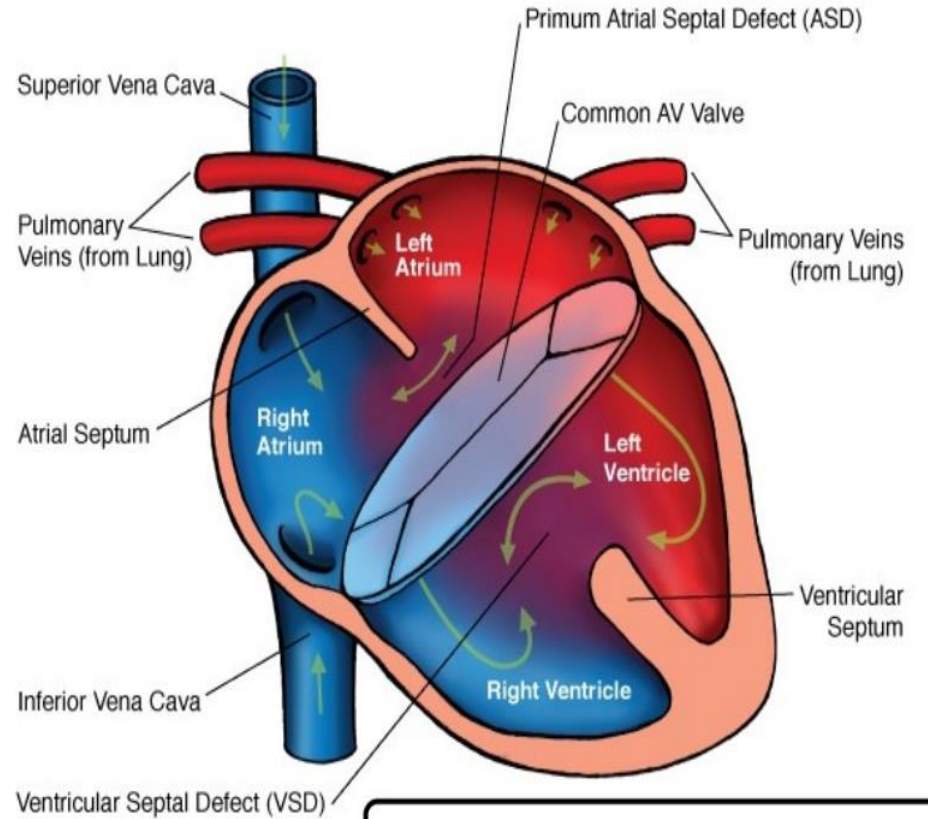
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# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti del setto atrioventricolare (parziali)



# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti del setto AV completi -«canale AV»

- Il lembo anteriore della valvola AV è “free floating”, e si crea shunt interatriale e interventricolare
  - Frequente insufficienza valvolare



# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti del setto atrioventricolare

## **Intervento correttivo:**

1. Banding AP come primo stage se iperafflusso polmonare
2. Chiusura chirurgica con patch dei difetti
3. Plastica della valvola AV
4. Chiusura PDA

## **Complicanze post operatorie:**

1. DIA/DIV residui
2. Insufficienza/stenosi valvole AV
3. Ostruzione LVOT

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: difetti del setto atrioventricolare

## Protocol

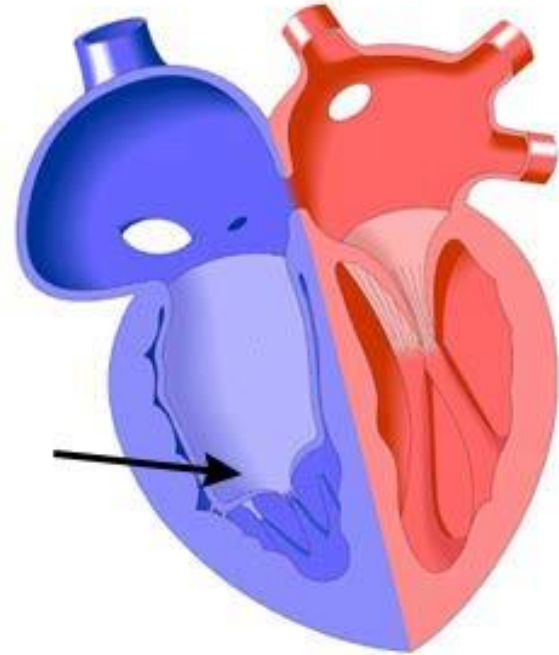
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| 1. <b>Anatomy stacks</b>               | 5. <b>Ao flow</b>        |
| 2. <b>VLA, HLA, LV stack, RV stack</b> | 6. <b>VSD flow</b>       |
| 3. <b>LVOT, RVOT</b>                   | 7. <b>ASD flow</b>       |
| 4. <b>MPA flow</b>                     | 8. <b>3D whole heart</b> |

## Report

1. **Size (corrected for BSA) and function**
  - LV: EDV, ESV, SV, EF, RWMA, note any LV dilation
  - RV: EDV, ESV, SV, EF, RWMA
2. **Presence and extent of ASD / VSD**
3. **Qp (MPA flow) : Qs (Ao flow)**
4. **Valve regurgitation or stenosis**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: anomalia di Ebstein

- Dislocazione del lembo settale della tricuspide ( $>8\text{mm/m}^2$ )
- Vari gradi di insufficienza tricuspidalica
- Atrializzazione e dilatazione dell'inflow del Vdx
- Si associa a: PFO/DIA ( $>50\%$ ), DIV, ostruzione RVOT
- Possibile riduzione riempimento Vsn dalla dilatazione Vdx



# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: anomalia di Ebstein

## **Intervento correttivo:**

1. Riparazione o sostituzione valvolare tricuspidalica
2. Chiusura PFO/DIA
3. Atrioplastica
4. Eventuale Glenn/Fontan nei casi più severi

## **Complicanze post operatorie:**

1. IT residua
2. Insufficienza ventricolare destra
3. Compressione CDx dalla sutura

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: anomalia di Ebstein

## Standard imaging

1. Cine CMR: stack assiale dal diaframma fino alla sommità dell'arco aortico
2. Modulo ventricolografia con slice continue multiple in 3CH Vdx e 4 CH
3. PC CMR: AAO, AP, v. tricuspide, mitrale

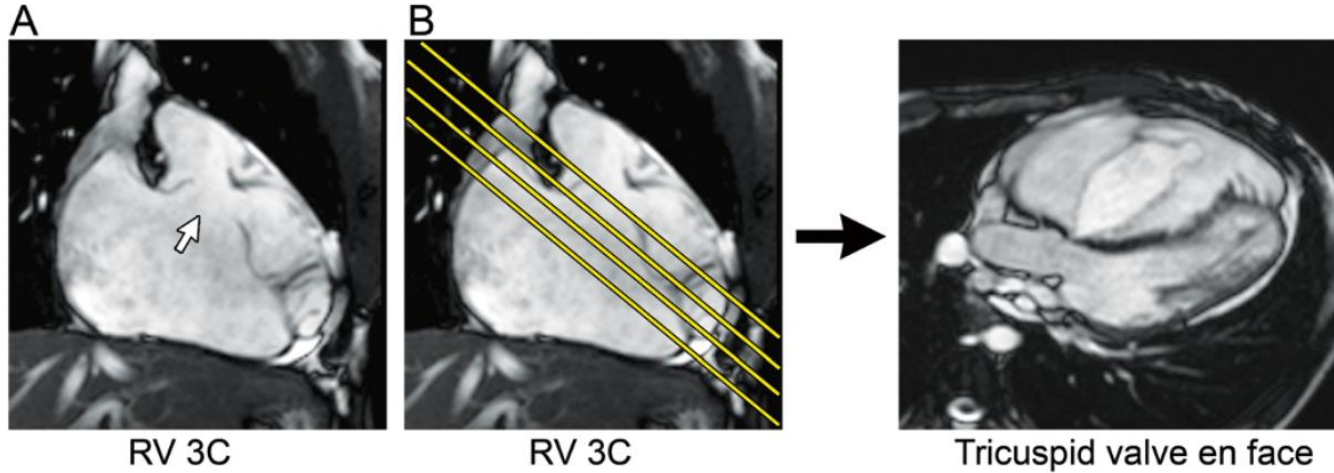
## Eventualmente anche:

1. Cine CMR: stack continuo parallelo al piano della tricuspide funzionale per vedere la valvola «en face»
2. CE-MRA or 3D SSFP per l'albero vascolare toracico

**Key reporting elements: descrizione della morfologia della tricuspide, del grado di insufficienza e stenosi, eventuale stenosi polmonare associata, parametri ventricolari, presenza di DIA, Qp/Qs**

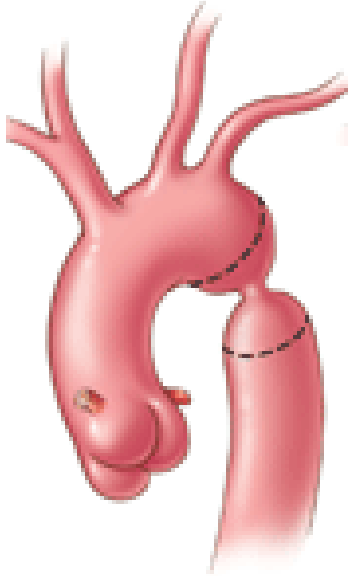
# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: anomalia di Ebstein

Fratz et al. *Journal of Cardiovascular Magnetic Resonance* 2013, 15:51



**Figure 19 Ebstein anomaly imaging protocol.** **A.** Right ventricular 3-chamber view (RV 3C) steady-state free precession cine image in a 22-year-old with Ebstein anomaly. In this example, the functional tricuspid valve plane is displaced and inflow is directed into the right ventricular outflow tract (white arrow). **B.** The RV 3C image is used to plan a stack of cine images to visualize the displaced tricuspid valve orifice *en face* for anatomic assessment or flow quantification.

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Coartazione aortica



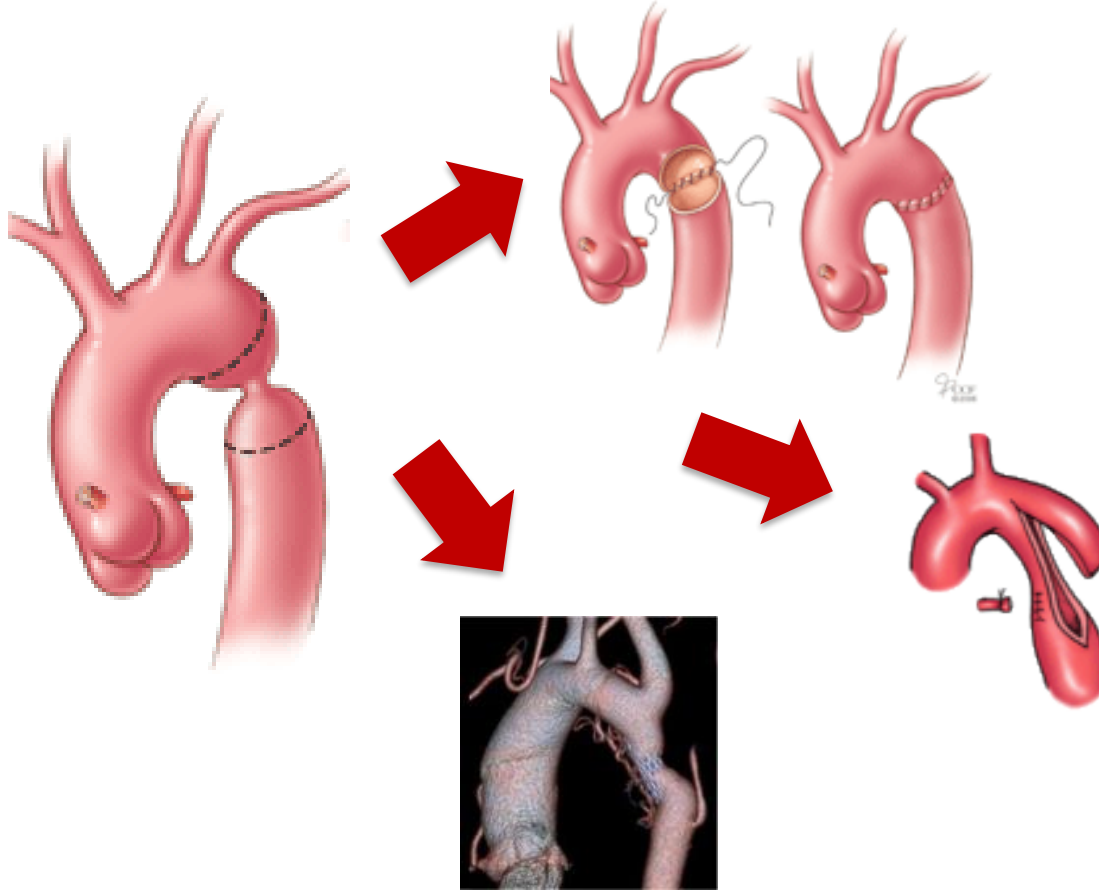
**Restringimento aortico a livello duttale, preduttale o post duttale**

**Collaterali aorto-sistemiche**

**Eventuale ipertrofia ventricolare sinistra**

**Associata a valvola aortica bicuspidale/dilatazione aorta scendente/stenosi subaortica/ipoplasia dell'arco/DIV/anomalie v. mitralica (paracadute)**

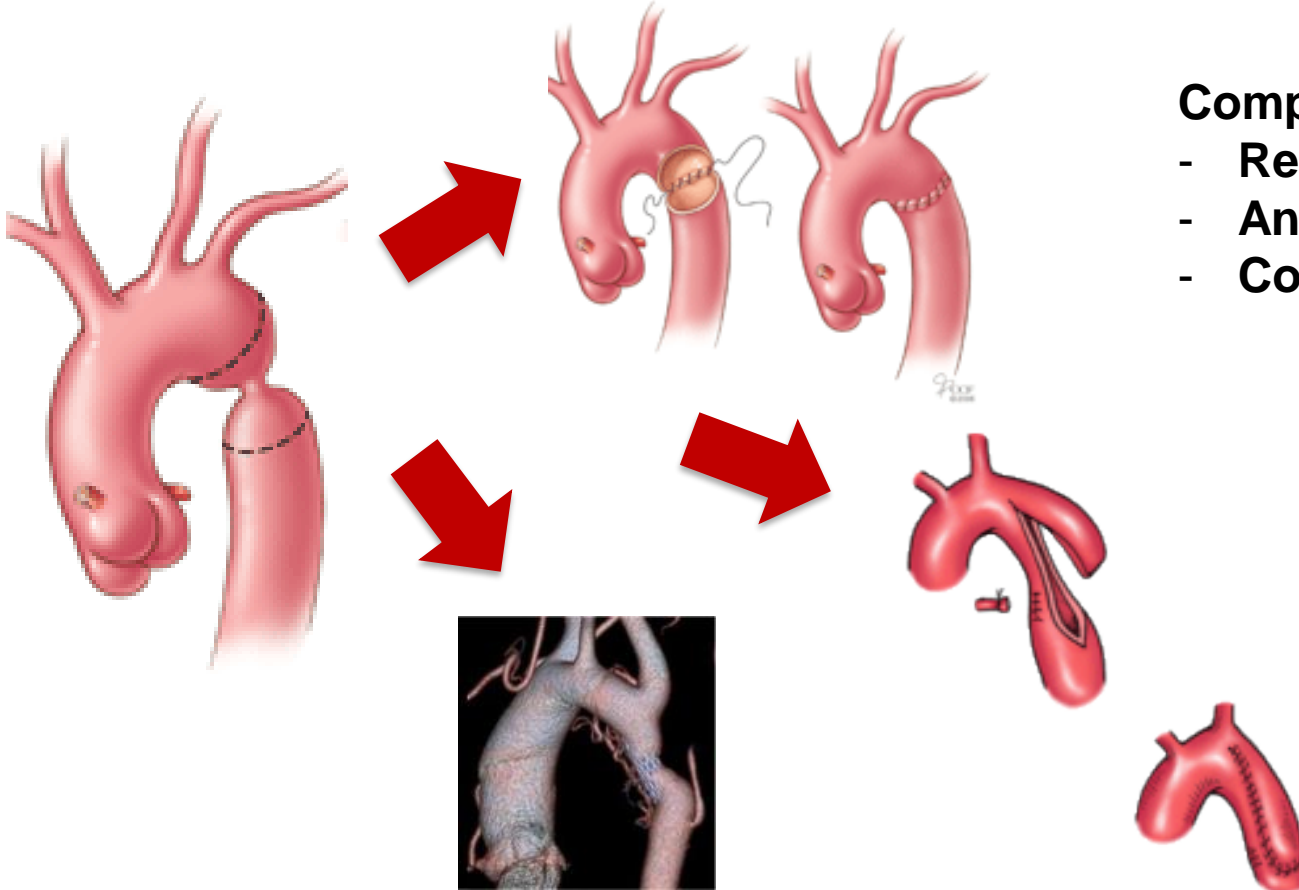
# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Coartazione aortica



## Interventi:

- Anastomosi end to end
- Anastomosi con graft
- Patch
- Subclavian Flap
- Bypass
- Stent

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Coartazione aortica



## Complicanze

- Restenosi
- Aneurismi
- Collaterali

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Coartazione aortica

## Standard imaging

1. Cine CMR: long-axis arco aortico
2. Cine CMR: ventricolografia
3. CE-MRA or 3D SSFP per la vascolatura toracica
4. PC CMR: AAO, AP, aorta discendente a livello del diaframma

## Eventualmente anche:

1. Spin echo: long-axis arco aortico
2. Cine CMR: short-axis radice aortica
3. PC CMR: quantificazione delle collaterali aortiche (misurazione prossimale o appena distale alla coartazione e in aorta discendente a livello del diaframma)
4. LGE

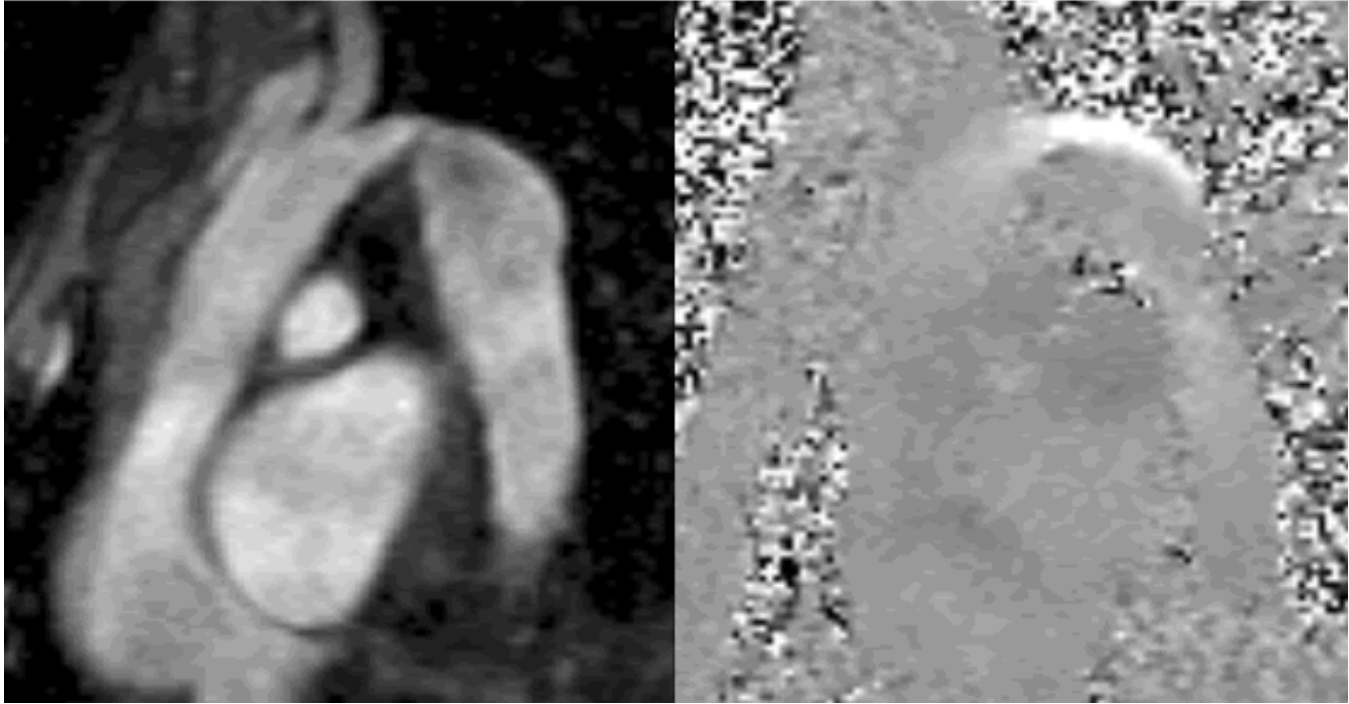
**Key reporting elements: posizione, dimensioni e severità della coartazione; lateralità dell'arco aortico e tipo di branching; presenza di aneurismi, dissezioni o vasi collaterali; parametri ventricolari (NB massa); morfologia e funzionalità valvolare aortica (insufficienza/stenosi)**

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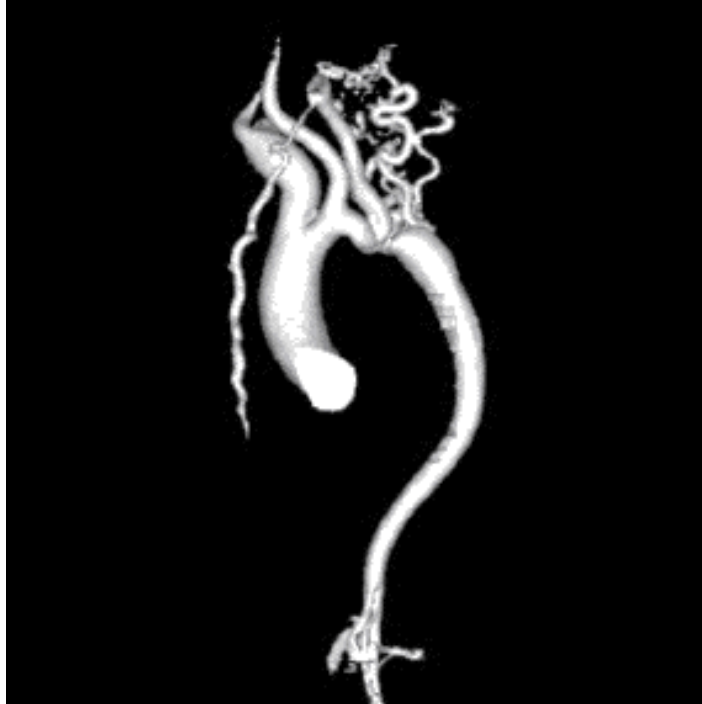


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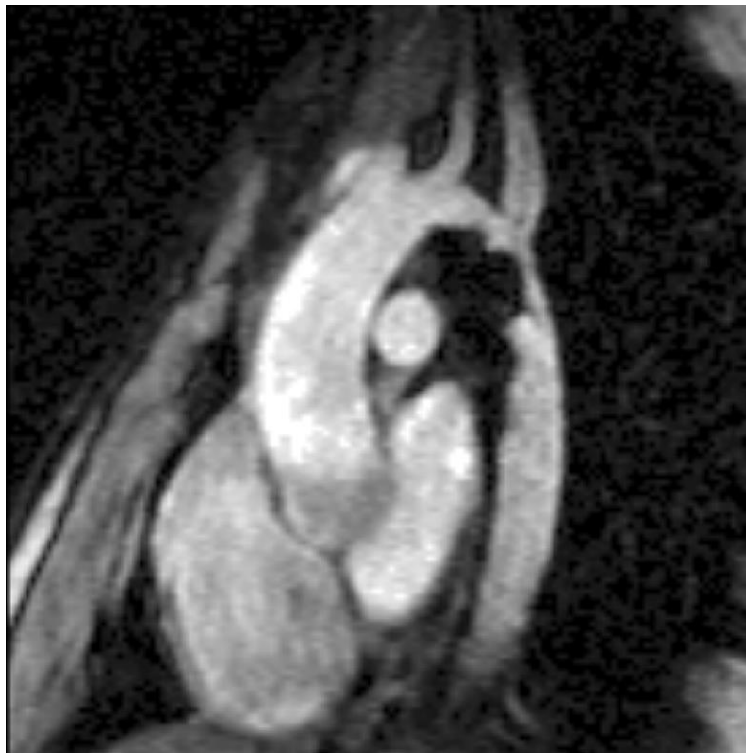


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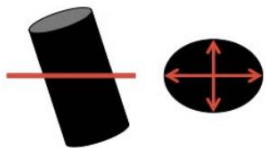
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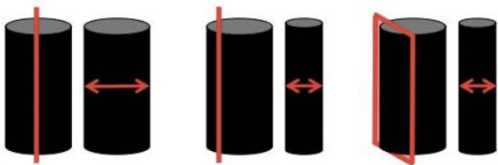
# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Coartazione aortica

## Caveats of aortic measurements

Transaxial Overestimation due to non-orthogonal plane



Oblique sagittal Underestimation due to non-central or non-perpendicular plane

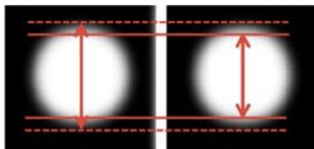


Black Blood Overestimation possible due to inclusion of aortic wall



MRA Over- / underestimation due to:

- Acquisition not cardiac cycle specific
- Motion artefacts, particular at aortic root /ascAo



3D whole heart Over- / underestimation due to:

- Lower spatial resolution
- Motion artefacts

## Key issues

### 1. Aortic dimensions:

- Be aware of caveats of aortic measurements – see above
- Diastolic measurements from cine images are preferred
- Be clear in your report, which cardiac phase, orientation and sequence you used for measurements

### 2. Severity of coarctation:

- Peak systolic flow is often underestimated by CMR - echocardiography superior to CMR
- Diastolic prolongation of forward flow is a sign of significant coarctation

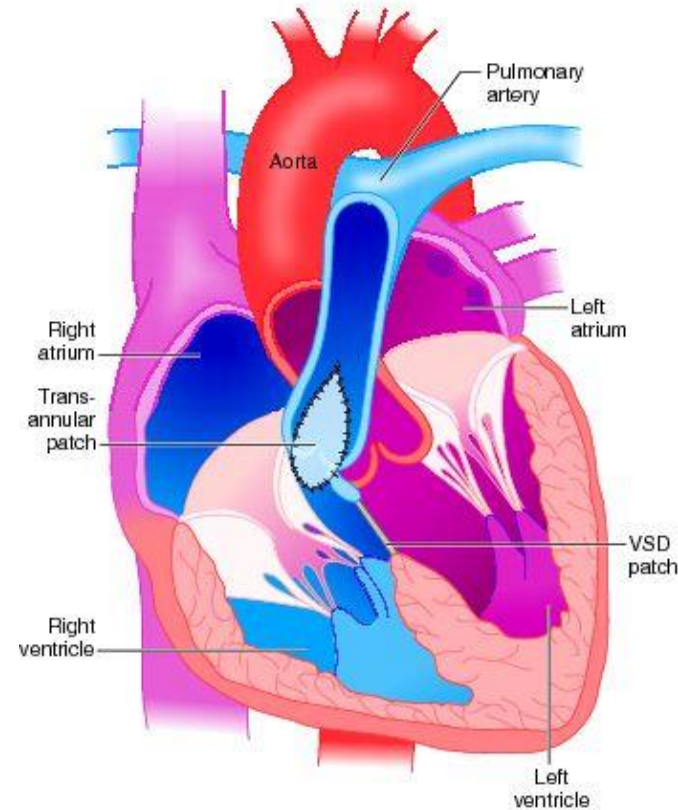
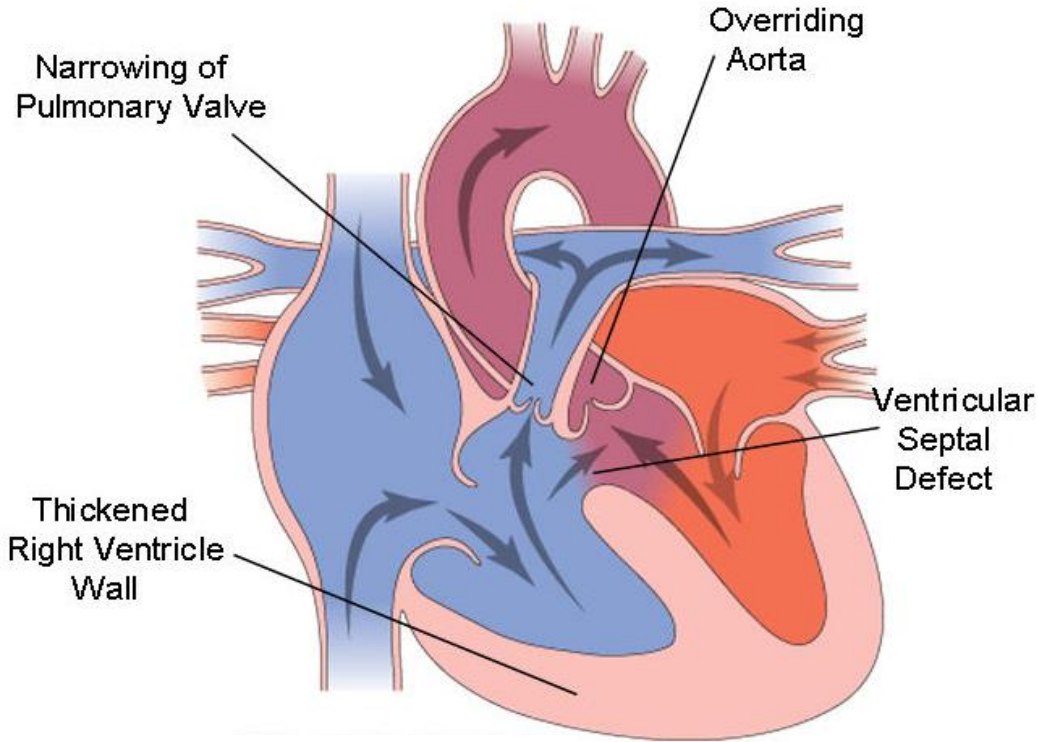
### 3. Collateral flow:

- A decrease of <10% (prestenotic - descAo flow) is expected physiologically
- An increase implies collateral flow rejoining the descending thoracic aorta
- Abundant collaterals may reduce the gradient across the coarctation and mask the severity of the obstruction

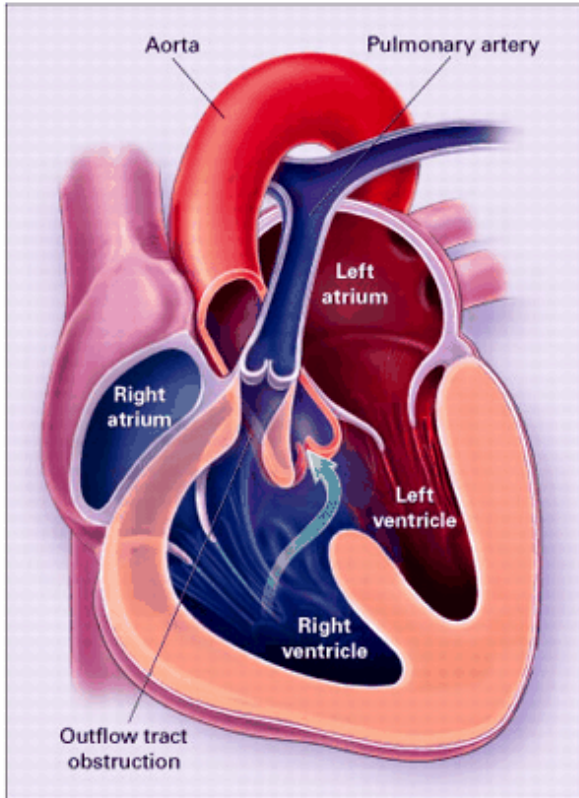
### 4. Aneurysms of the circle of Willis or other cerebral vessels occur in up to 10% of patients with coarctation

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# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Tetralogia di Fallot



# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Tetralogia di Fallot corretta

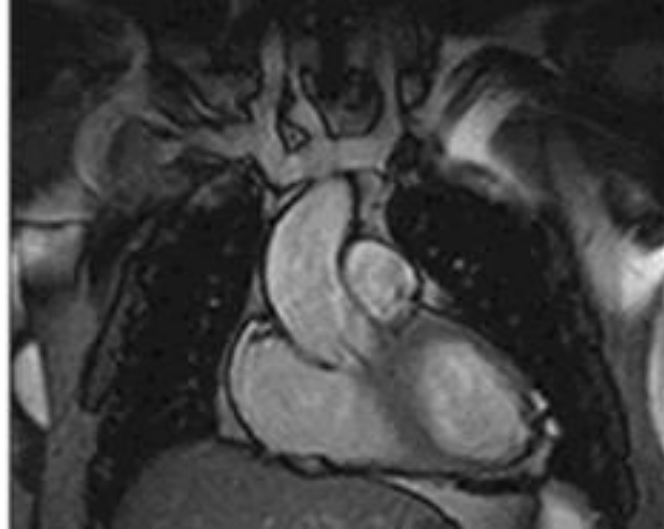


To do list:

- Misura dei volumi, EF e massa biventricolari
- RVOT cine (2 views)
- Radice aortica +/- quantificazione IAO
- Quantificazione IP (RF)
- Valutazione AP dx e sn

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Tetralogia di Fallot corretta

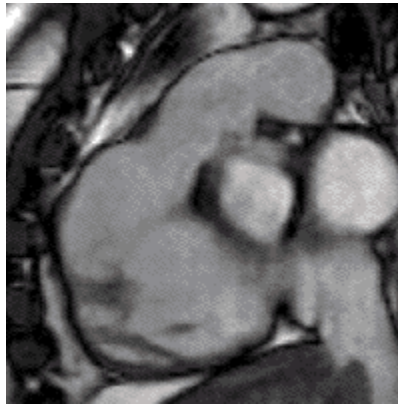
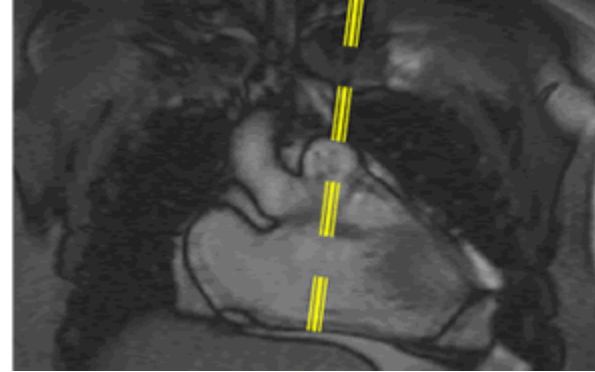
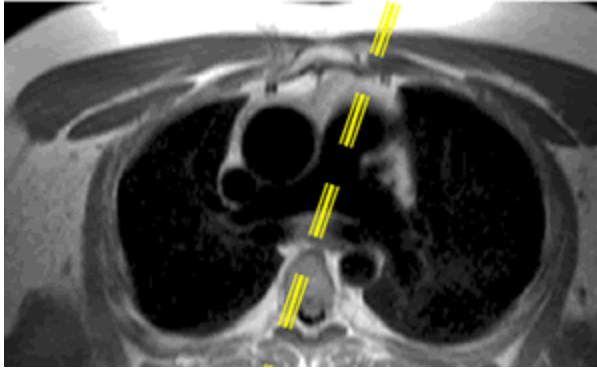
- **Multislice stack nei 3 piani : assiale, sagittale, coronale**
  - Half Fourier single shot TSE (assiale) + single shot SSFP (coronale + sagittale)



# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Tetralogia di Fallot corretta

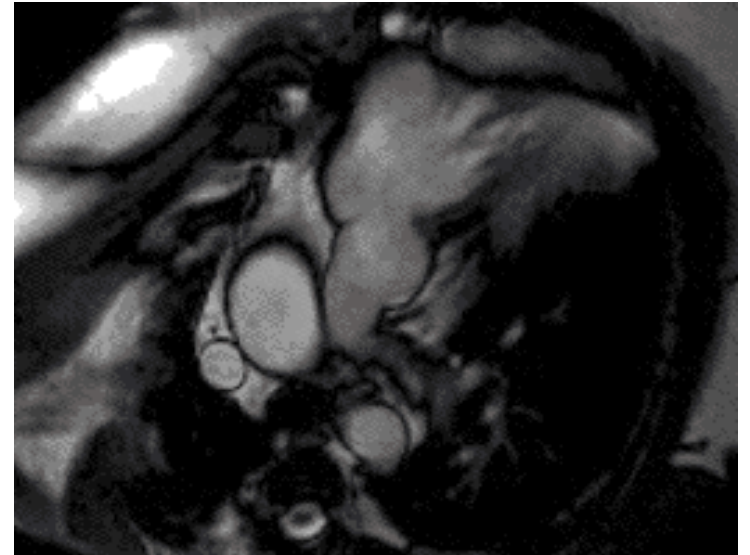
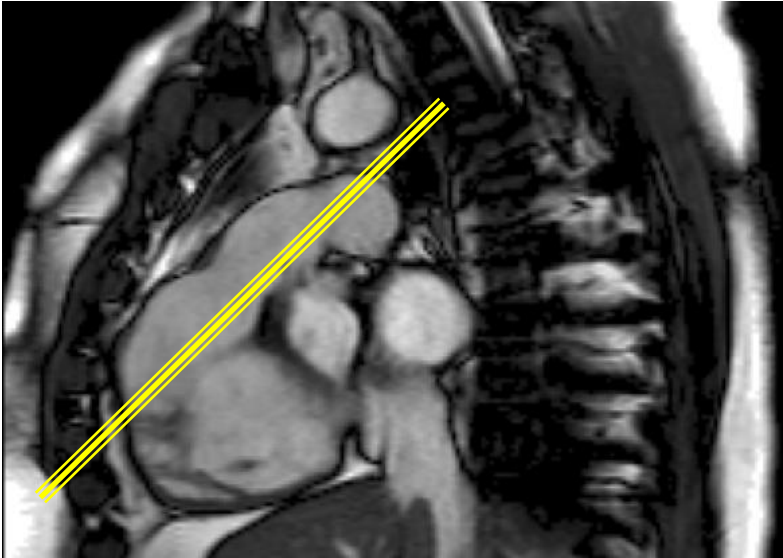
- **Scansioni guida**
- **Cine:**
  - 2Ch, 4Ch e SA
  - RVOT – 2 views
  - LVOT – 2 views

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Tetralogia di Fallot corretta



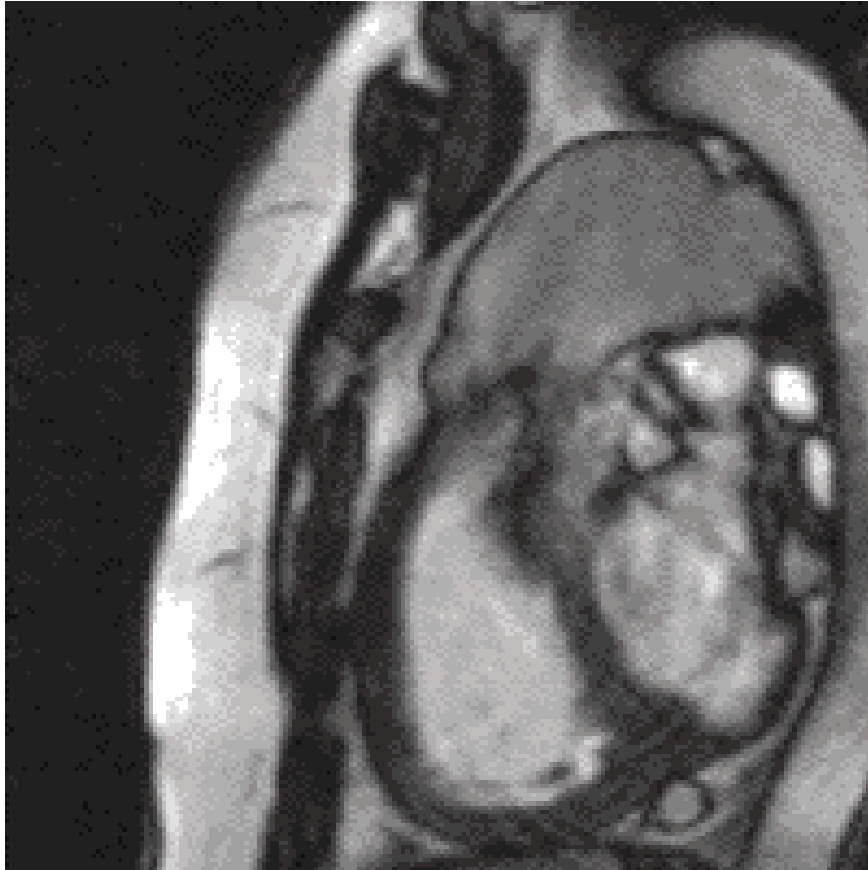
RVOT cine

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Tetralogia di Fallot corretta



RVOT cine - 2

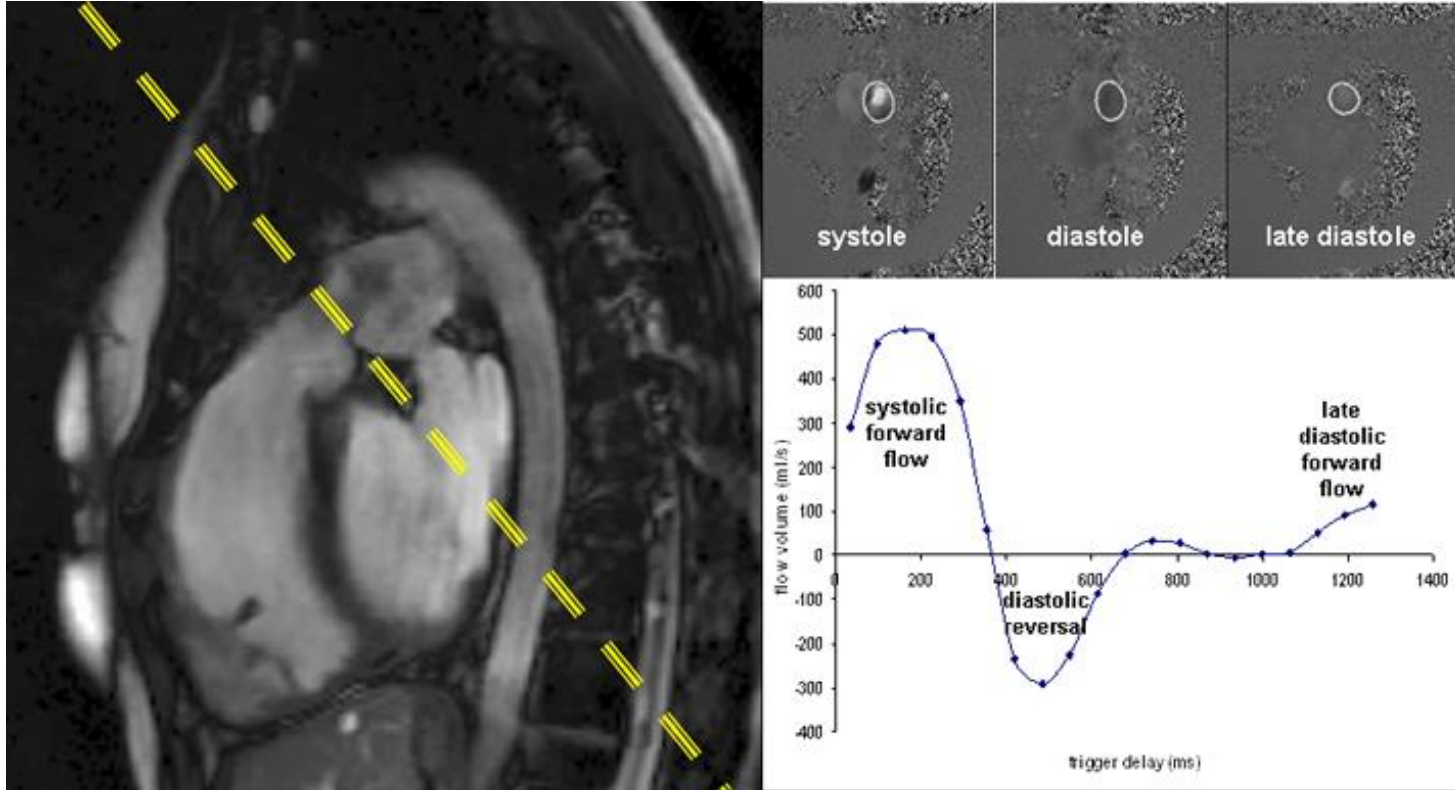
# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Tetralogia di Fallot corretta



Stenosi  
infundibolare  
polmonare

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Tetralogia di Fallot corretta

- **Velocity mapping** : Pulmonary regurgitant fraction (PRF)



# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Tetralogia di Fallot corretta

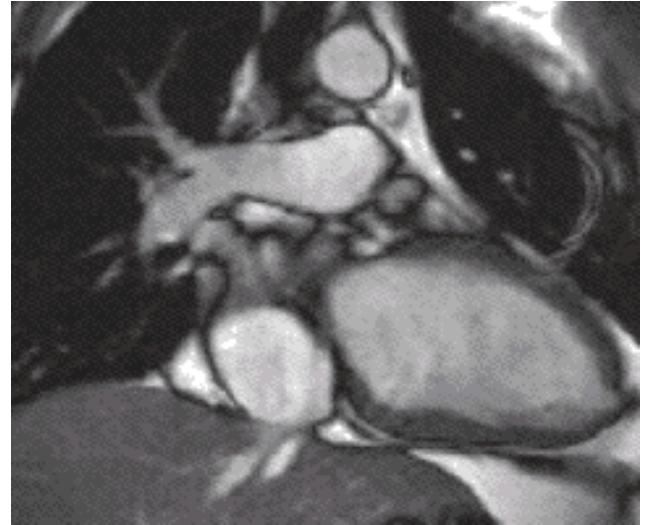
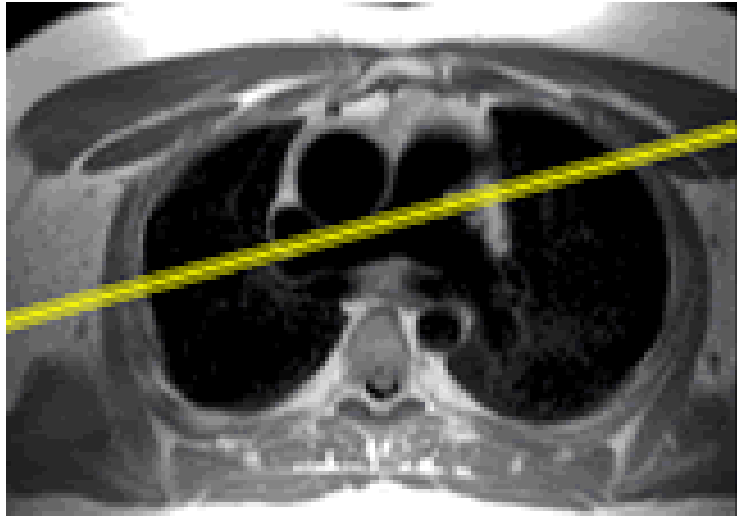
## Calcolo PRF

- 1) PRF = flusso retrogrado in AP/flusso anterogrado in AP\*100 (es  $25/75*100=33\%$ )
- 2) oppure, se non ho altre insufficienze valvolari PRF =  $(RVSV-LVSV)/RVSV*100$  ; es  $(75-50)/75*100= 33\%$

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Tetralogia di Fallot corretta

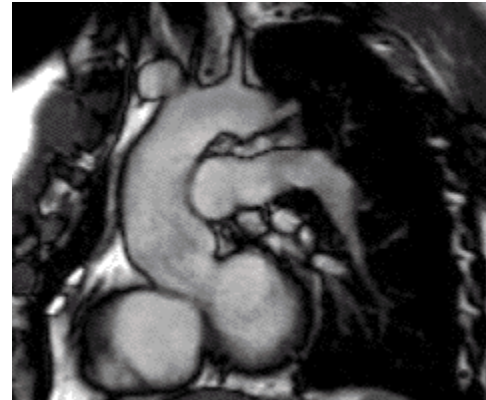
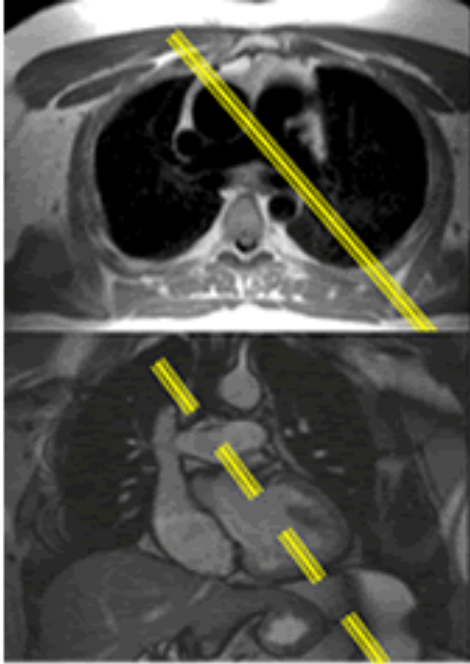
- **Cine Ao per misurazioni radice aortica**
- **AP dx e sn se non chiaramente pervie in assiale**
- **Vdx “in and out”/ obliqua/2ch**
- **Ulteriori velocity mapping**
  - **2 views per picco velocità AP**
  - **Ao e PA per Qp:Qs**
  - **Flusso APdX e Sn**
- **3d angiography**
  - **MAPCA's / pianificazione interventi (es impianto PV transcateretere)**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Tetralogia di Fallot corretta



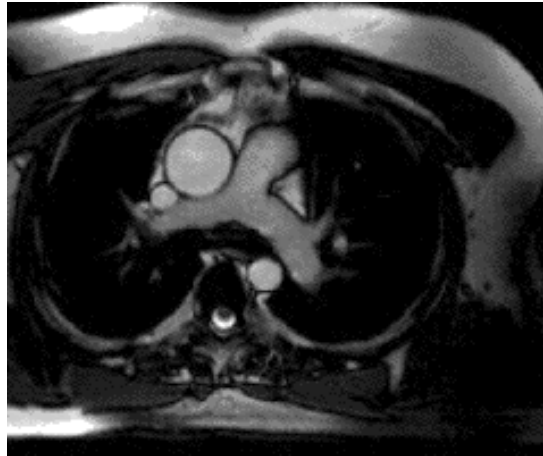
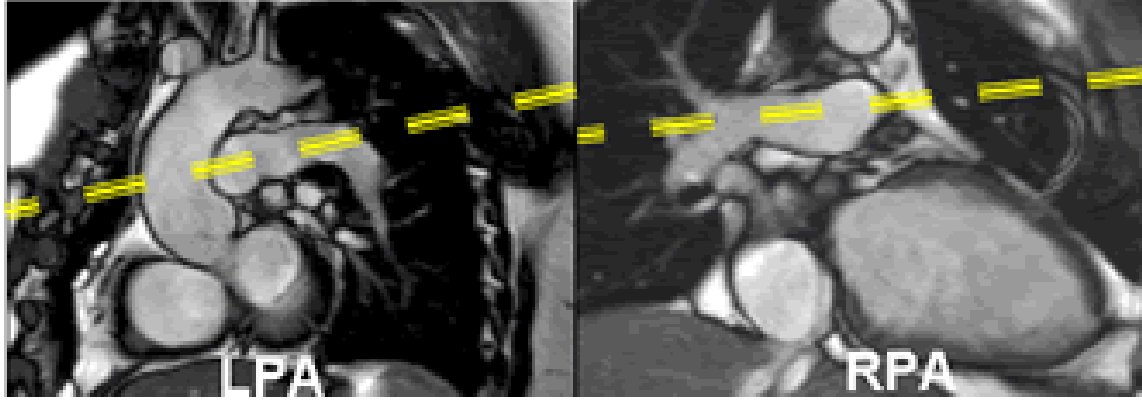
**APdx**

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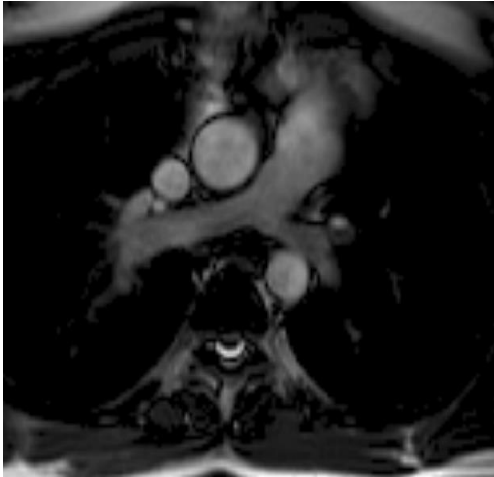
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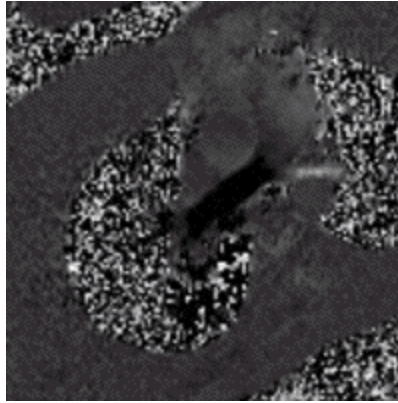


**Biforcazione AP**

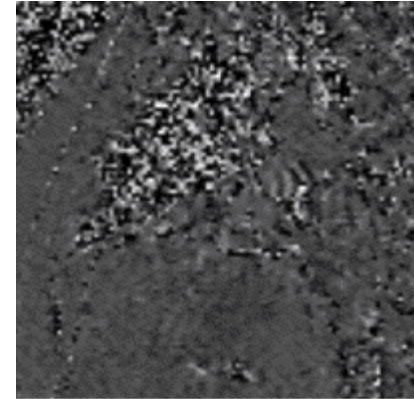
# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Tetralogia di Fallot corretta



**Cine**



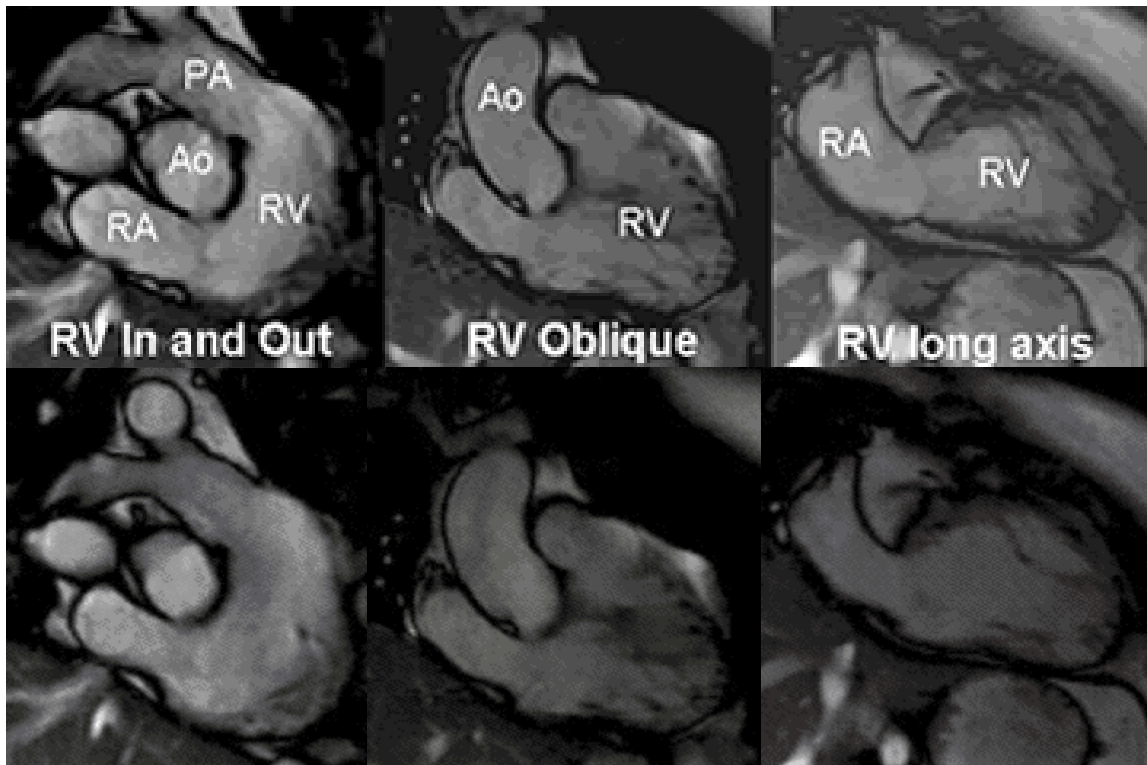
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**Through plane flow**

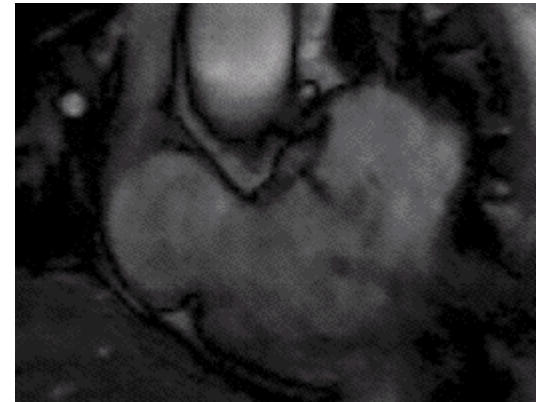
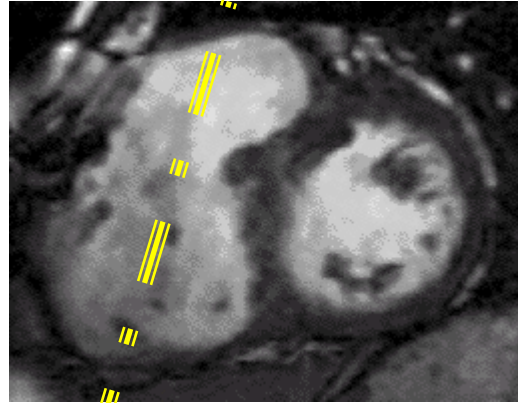
**Stenosi AP sinistra**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Tetralogia di Fallot corretta



# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Tetralogia di Fallot corretta

- Patch leak may be seen in:
  - LVOT view
  - RV in and out
  - RV oblique views
  - SA view
- If uncertain:
  - cross-cut a SA view where a jet core is suspected
- Add NBH velocity:
  - Aorta and PA
  - Calculate Qp:Qs ratio
  - Stroke volume ratio may be relevant



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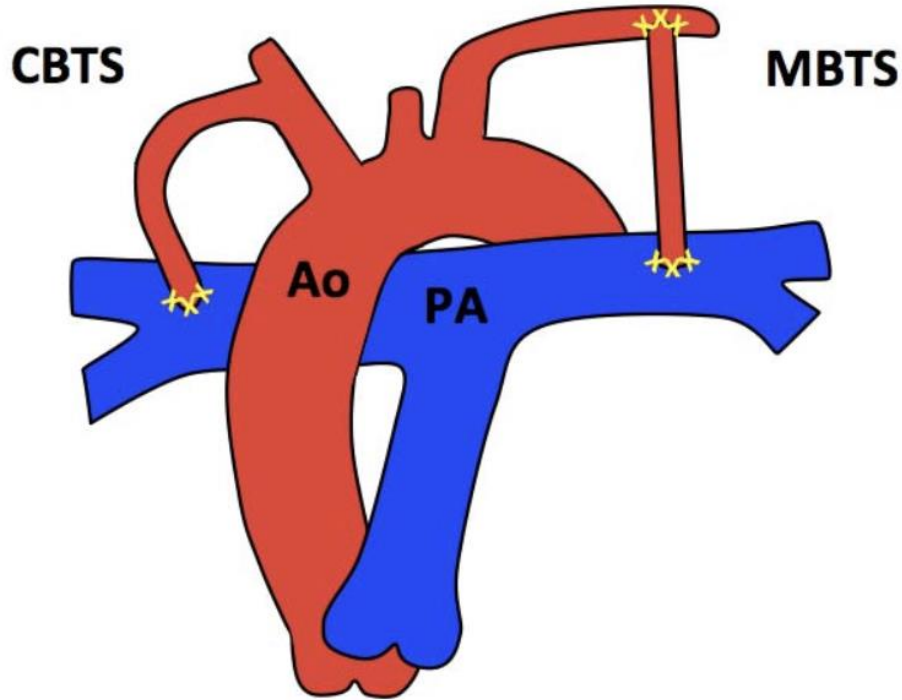


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# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Tetralogia di Fallot corretta

**Acquisizioni 3D: utili anche per il planning di sostituzione valvolare polmonare percutanea (decorso coronarie)**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Blalock-Taussig shunt



Intervento palliativo nelle cc cianogene  
Possibile bridge per Glenn/Fontan  
Shunt talora piccolo > MRA sincronizzata con aorta  
Possibile ischemia vertebrobasilare per furto della succlavia  
Varianti: Waterston Pott, Central, Cooley

## Findings

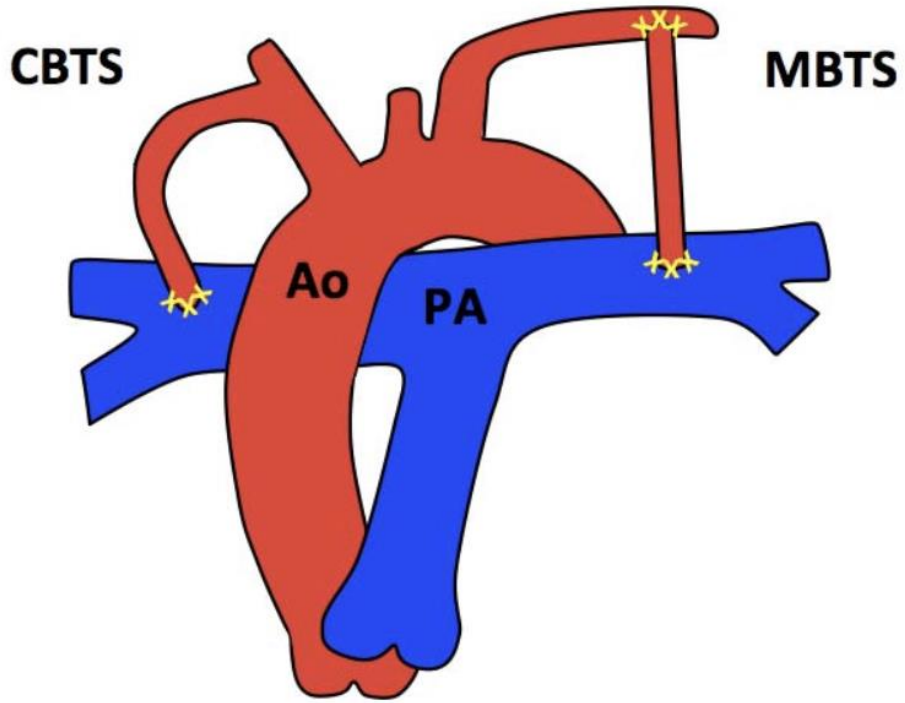
### Classic BT Shunt (CBTS)

- Subclavian artery to PA

### Modified BT Shunt (MBTS)

- Gore-Tex tube from subclavian artery to PA

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Blalock-Taussig shunt



## Complicanze post operatorie:

- Stenosi shunt > stenting possibile
- Aneurismi
- Dilatazione PA
- Ipertensione polmonare

## Findings

### Classic BT Shunt (CBTS)

- Subclavian artery to PA

### Modified BT Shunt (MBTS)

- Gore-Tex tube from subclavian artery to PA

## PROTOCOLLO BT shunt

### Standard imaging

- 1.Stacks anatomici
- 2.Cine VLA, HLA, LV stack, RV stack
3. Cine LVOT, RVOT
- 4.Cine arteria polmonare principali, sn, dx
- 5.PC CMR: valvola aortica, flusso Pas distale allo shunt

### Eventualmente anche:

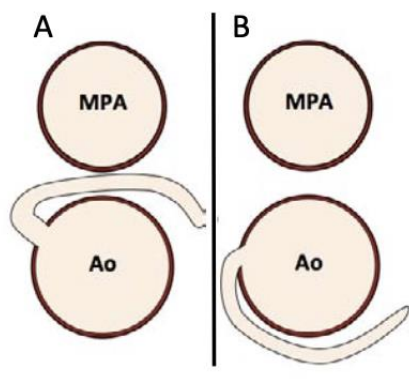
MRA

**Elementi essenziali: lunghezza, pervietà e flusso nello Shunt, aneurismi, parametri ventricolari,**

**Qp/Qs**

## Anomalie dell'origine e decorso coronarici

- “Maligna” se decorso interarterioso (specialmente LCA dal seno di Valsalva destro)
- Cause di ischemia: compressione dinamica interarteriosa, origine “slit-like”, bridging miocardico
- ALCAPA/ARCAPA: di solito associate ad anomalie della cinetica regionale, ev. insufficienza mitralica funzionale, ev. dilatazione ventricolare > diagnosi anche in età adulta



**In figura: Origine anomala di LCA dal seno di valsalva destro:**

**A) Decorso interarterioso**

**B) Decorso retroaortico**

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# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Anomalie dell'origine e decorso coronarici



## Anomalie dell'origine e decorso coronarici

Protocollo MRI:

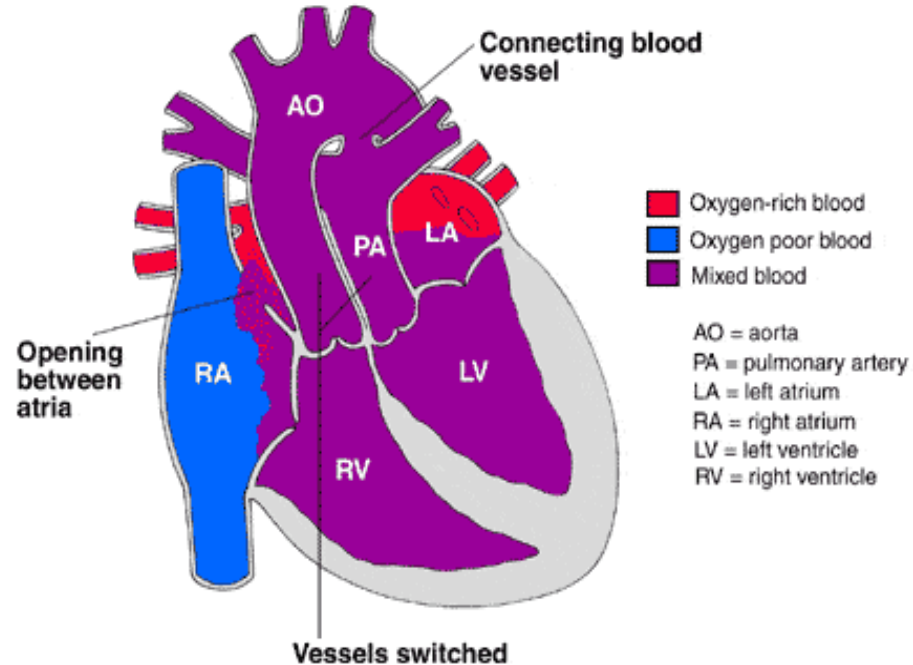
- 3DSSFP, tutta la regione cardiaca

Inserire nel report:

- Origine (alta/bassa/commissurale, dal seno coronarico opposto, fuori dai seni coronarici, osti separati di DA e Cx, ALCAPA, ARCAPA...)
- Decorso (interarterioso/anteriore o retroaortico/posteriore)
- Anomalie dell'anatomia intrinseca (ectasia, aneurismi, ipoplasia, decorso intramurale)
- Anomalie delle diramazioni
- Eventuale relazione con altre strutture cardiache

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Trasposizione delle grandi arterie

- Origine dell'aorta dal Vdx e dell'arteria polmonare dal Vsn
- Emergenza neonatale, sempre corretta tempestivamente
- Fino agli anni '80, redirezionamento del flusso venoso con procedura di Mustard o Senning ("atrial switch")
- Poi correzione "anatomica" con "arterial switch"



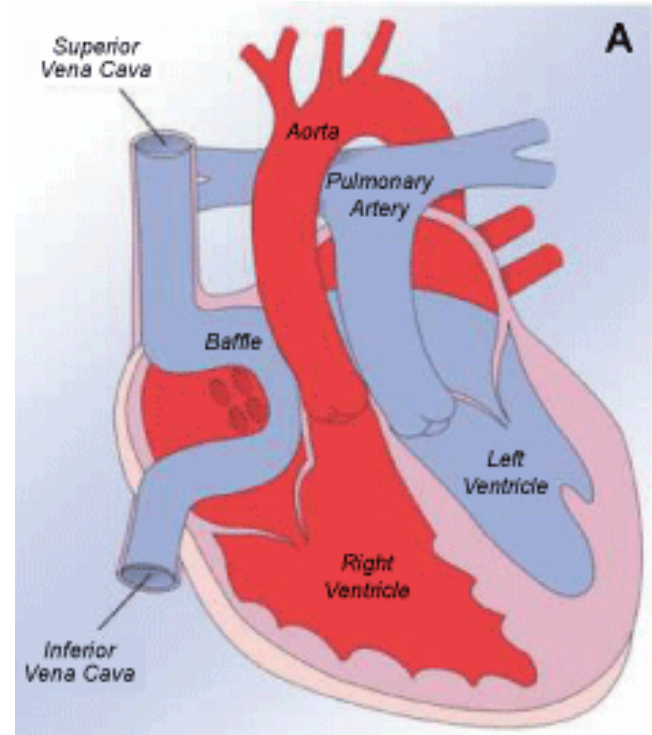
# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: D-Trasposizione delle grandi arterie

- **Second most common cyanotic heart lesion with incidence of approximately 30/ 100k live births**
- **Approximate 5-7% of all CHD defects**  
**Approximately 40-45% have a VSD (Complex TGA)**
- **Over half of these with concomitant LVOT obstruction**
- **Rare associated lesions include arch anomalies and pulmonary venous return abnormalities**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Trasposizione delle grandi arterie

## Mustard and Senning procedure

- Un baffle (in pericardio o dacron) redireziona il flusso venoso cavale in atrio sinistro, così da inviarlo al ventricolo sinistro, il quale diventa sottopolmonare
- Il Vdx diventa sistemico



# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: D-TGA s/p atrial switch

## Standard imaging

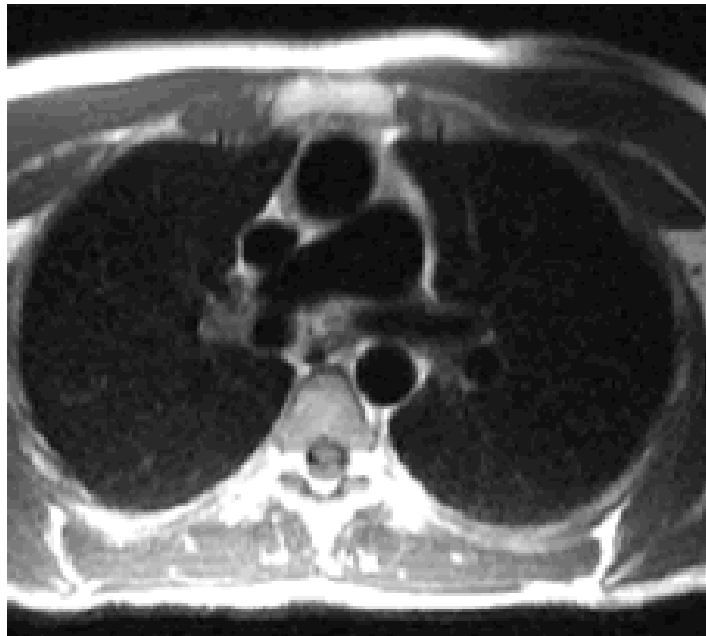
1. Cine CMR: axial stack from the mid-liver to the top of the aortic arch
2. Ventriculography module
3. Cine CMR: oblique planes to image the SVC and IVC pathways in long-axis
4. CE-MRA or 3D SSFP to image the thoracic vasculature, and systemic and pulmonary venous baffles
5. PC CMR: AAO, MPA, branch PAs, tricuspid and mitral valves

## Additional case-specific/comprehensive imaging

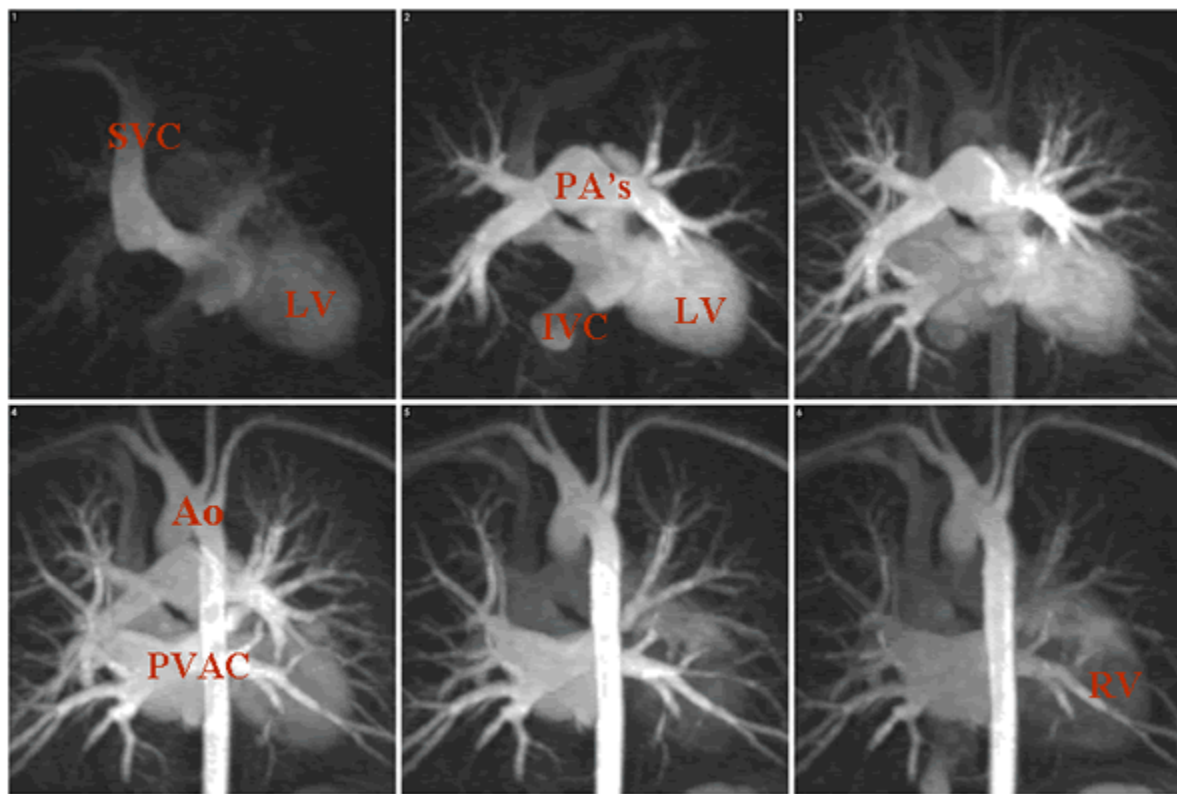
1. LGE module
2. PC CMR: SVC distal to the azygous vein and IVC when systemic venous obstruction is suspected.

**Key reporting elements: location and severity of systemic and pulmonary venous pathway obstruction, atrial baffle leak, ventricular parameters, severity and mechanism of left or right ventricular outflow tract obstruction, tricuspid regurgitation, Qp/Qs, branch pulmonary artery flow distribution, SVC/IVC flow ratio as an indicator of systemic pathway obstruction**

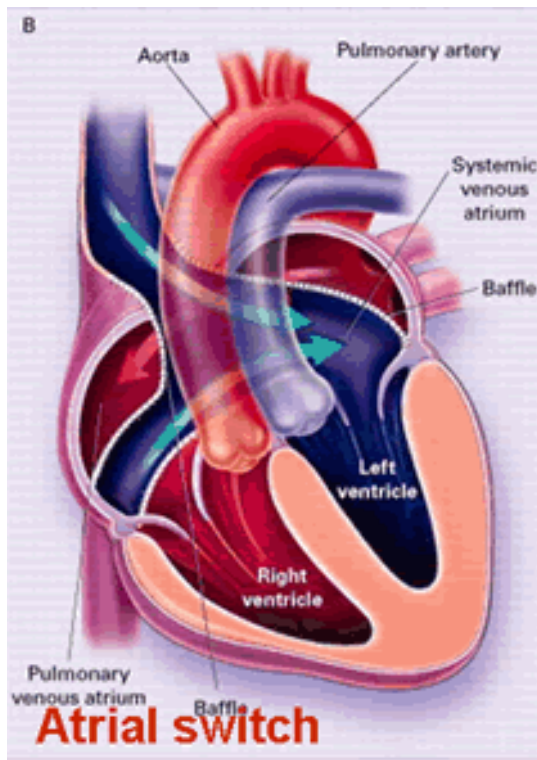
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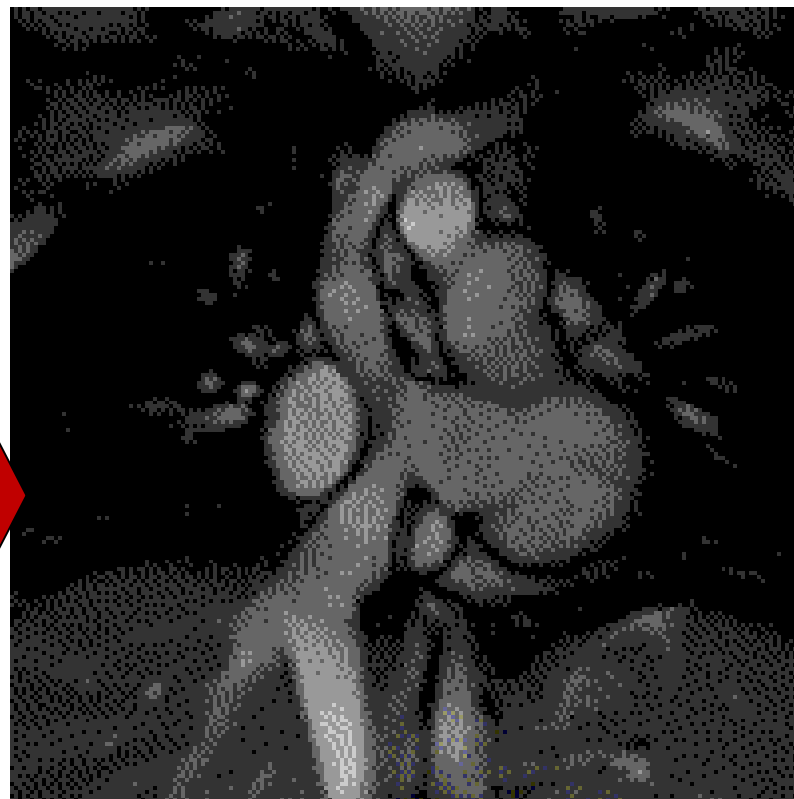
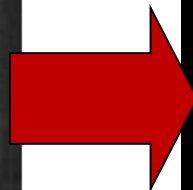
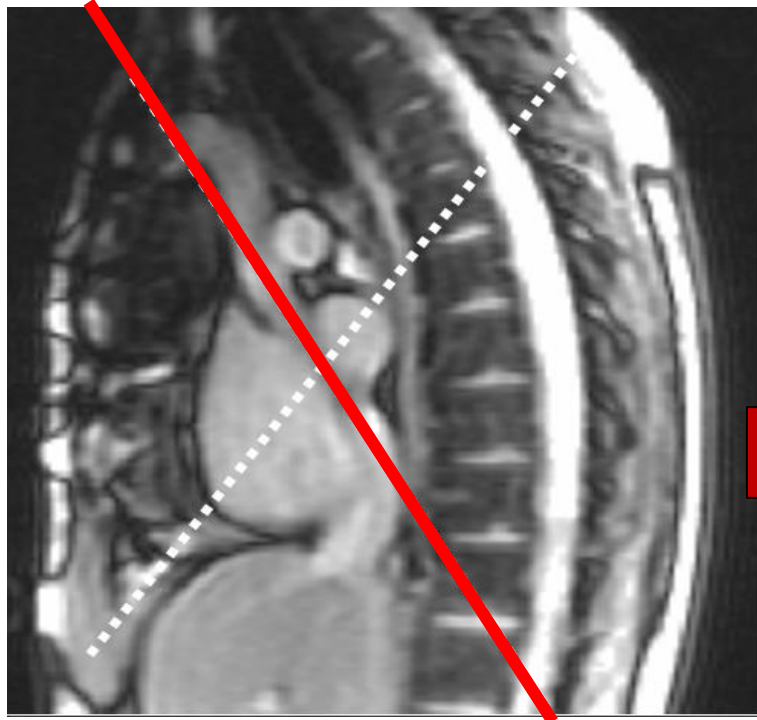
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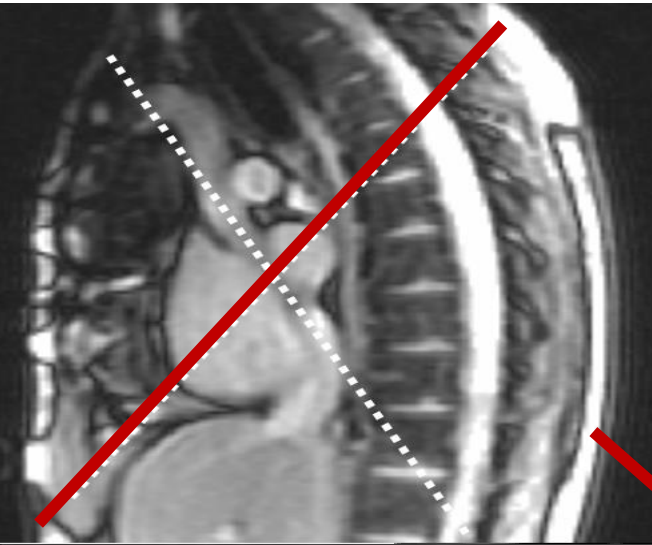


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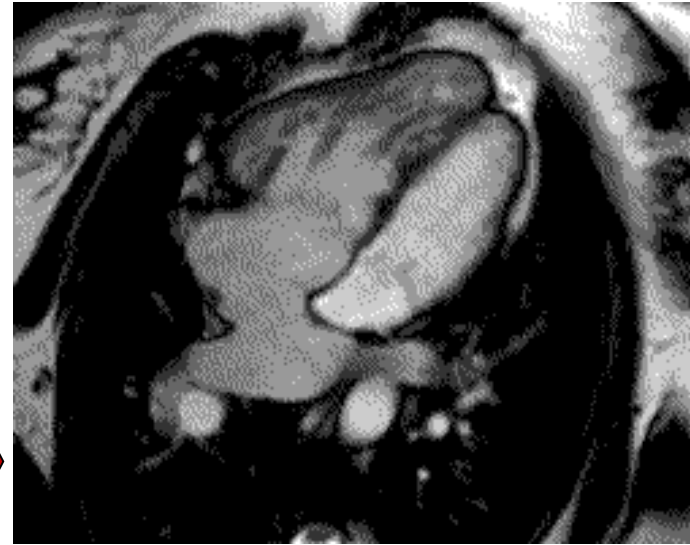
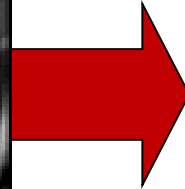
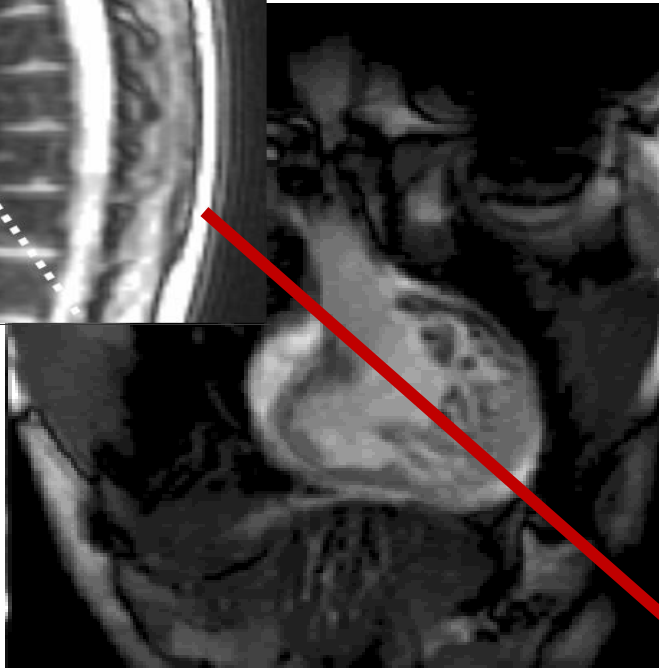


**Multislice sagittale**

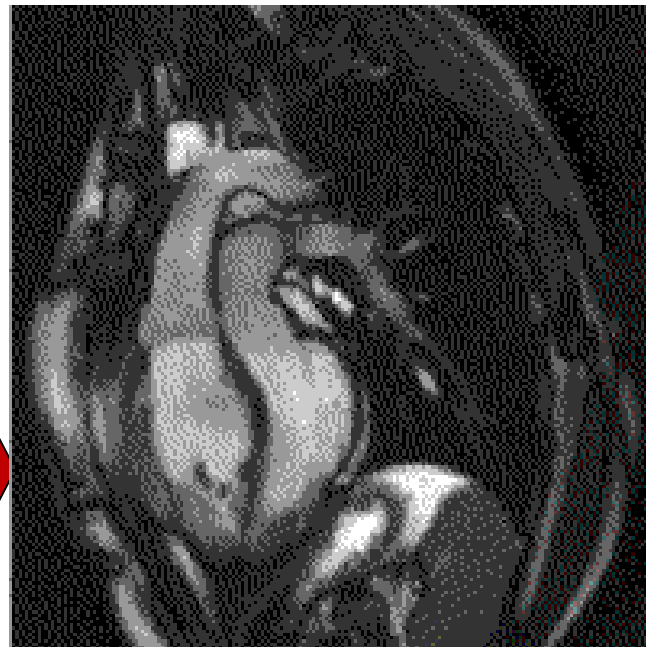
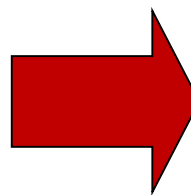
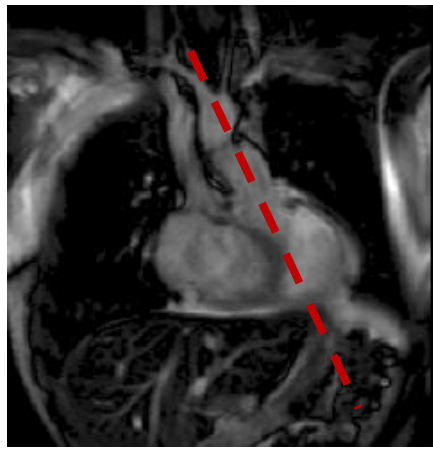
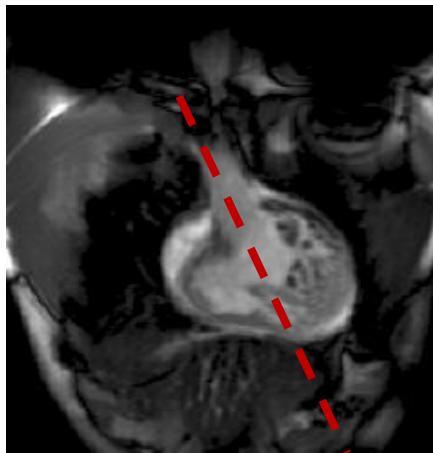
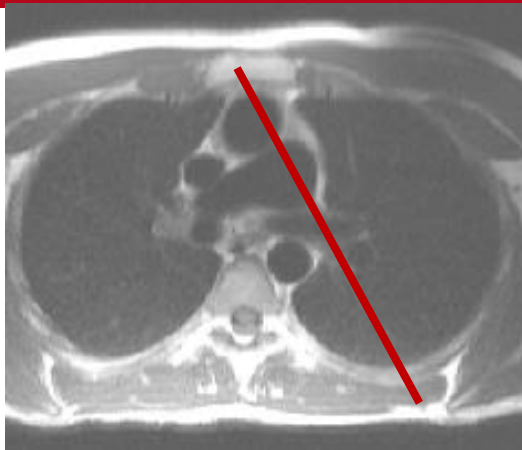
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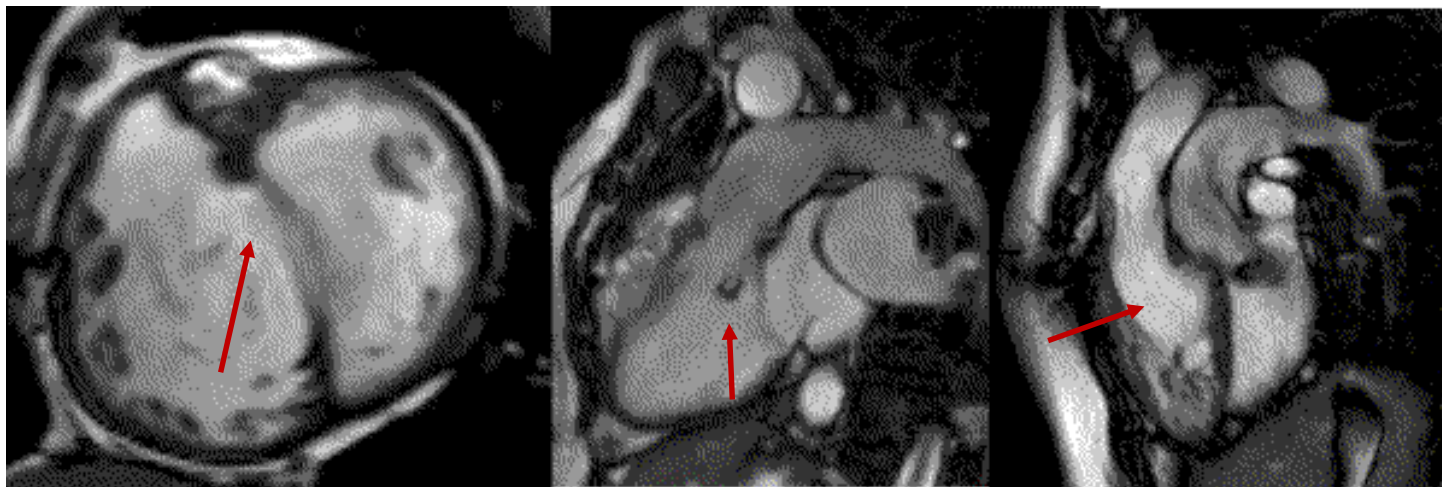
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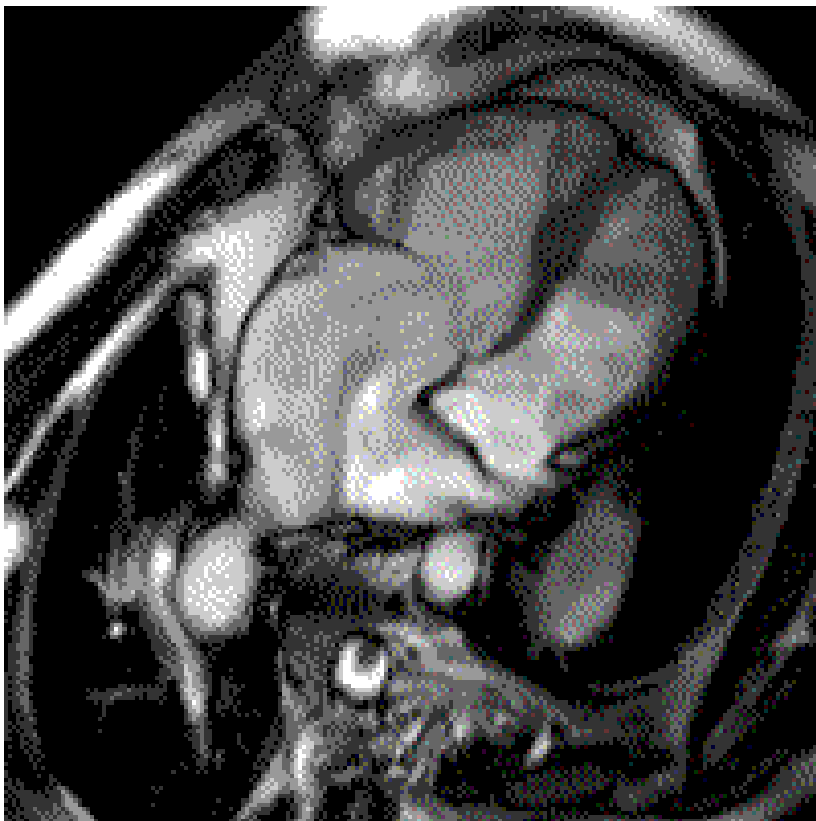
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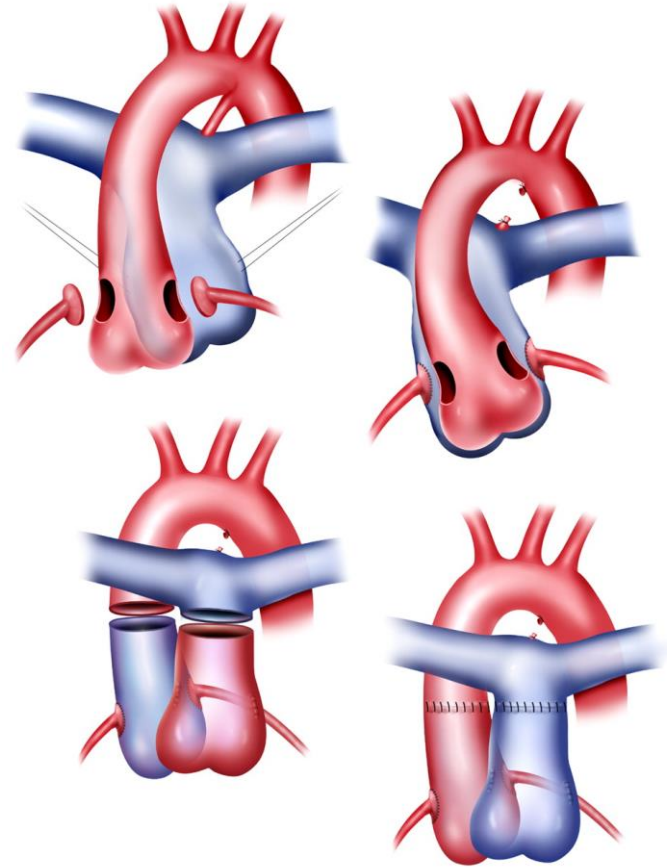
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**Disfunzione biventricolare**

## Arterial switch

- Tecnica elettiva chirurgica per le TGA dagli anni '80
- Resezione delle grandi arterie, manovra di Lecompte, reanastomosi all'efflusso ventricolare corretto, reimpianto coronarie nella neo-radice aortica



# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: D-Trasposizione delle grandi arterie

## Arterial switch

**Majority survive to adulthood**  
**Survival at 15 years ~ 88%**  
**Freedom from reintervention is**  
**82% at 15 years**  
**Reoperation < 10%**

**TABLE 3** Post-Operative Sequelae Following the Arterial Switch Operation

Long-Term Post-Operative Sequelae	Incidence
Supravalvular pulmonary stenosis*	~10%
Supravalvular aortic stenosis*	~5%
Neoaortic root dilation	Nearly universal
Neoaortic regurgitation	Most (moderate or severe in <10%)
Asymptomatic coronary occlusion	2%-7%
Sudden cardiac death	<1%
Arrhythmia	2%-10%
Aortic dissection or rupture	Unknown

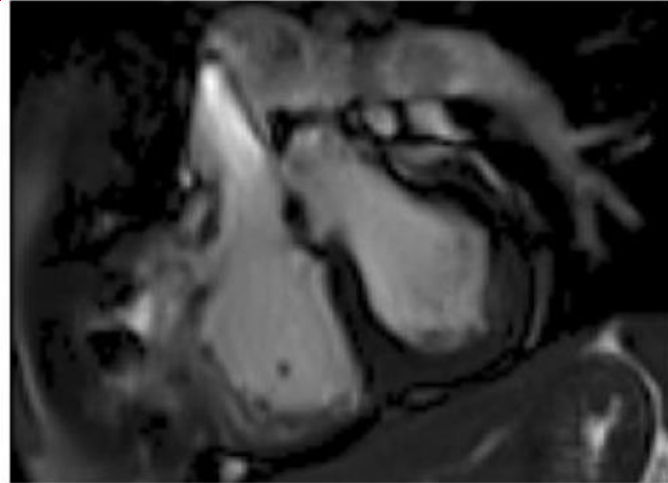
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# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: D-Trasposizione delle grandi arterie

## Arterial switch

Initial ASO mortality quite high due to coronary ischemia

- Incidence of myocardial ischemia is most prevalent in first 3 months
- Bimodal pattern of incidence
- Coronary obstruction present in 5% - 7% of ASO survivors



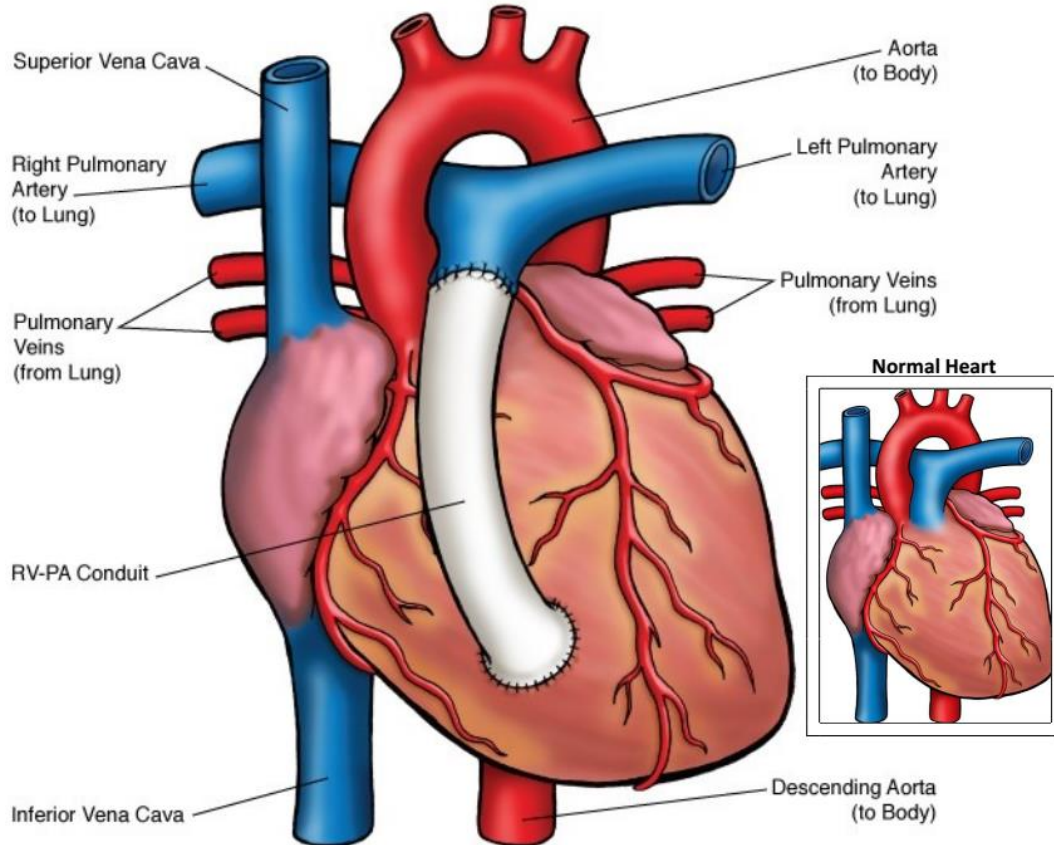
# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: D-Trasposizione delle grandi arterie

## Arterial switch: protocollo

### Axial Black Blood

- Cine imaging - VLA
- 4 Chamber - SAX
- RVOT
- Branch PA's
- Flow Quantification - Aorta
- MPA
- RPA/LPA - AVV
- 3D Whole Heart
- MRA
- Delayed Enhancement

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Condotti Vdx - AP



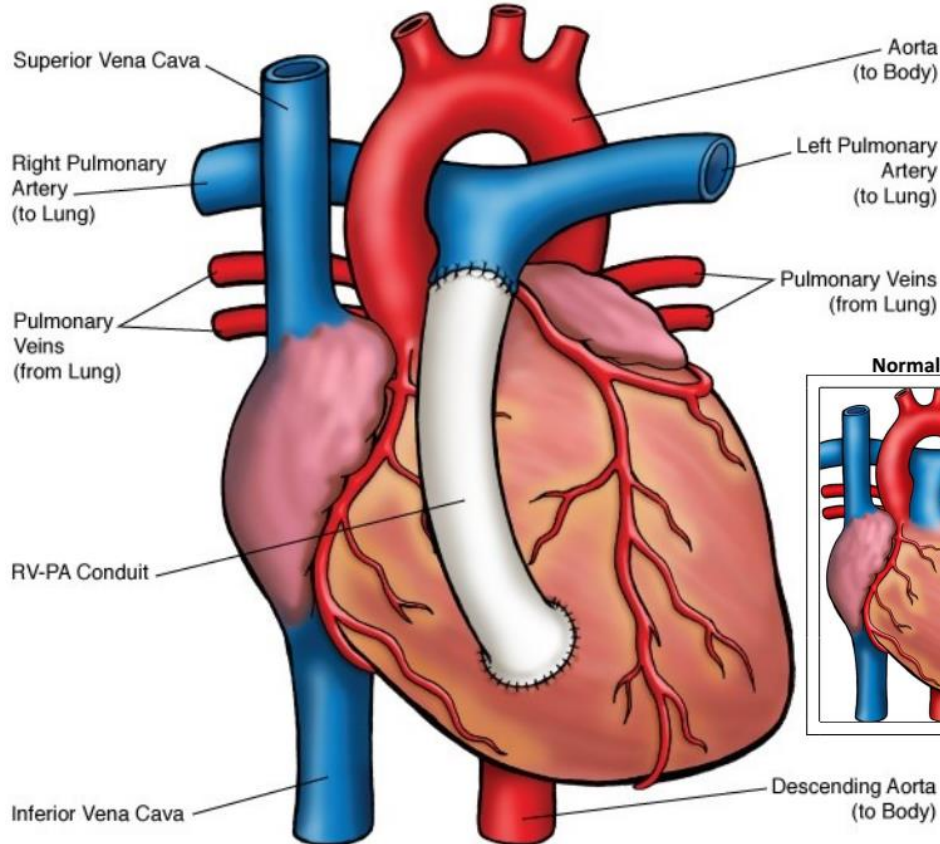
## Rastelli

Permette correzione simultanea di  
dTGA/DORV + DIV + atresia  
polmonare/stenosi  
polmonare/sottovalvolare  
polmonare

Mantiene Vsn sistemico

*Generalmente eseguito a 1-2 anni,  
insieme a BT shunt*

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Condotti Vdx - AP



## Initial interventions

- Conduit RV-MPA
- Intra-ventricular baffle
  - VSD closure
  - Redirection of left ventricular outflow to anterior aortic valve

## Rastelli

## Late interventions

- Re-operation conduit
- VSD closure device

## Post-operative complications

- Conduit or conduit valve stenosis / obstruction
- LVOT obstruction
- Residual VSD
- Residual ASD
- Branch PA stenosis

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Condotti Vdx - AP

## Protocol

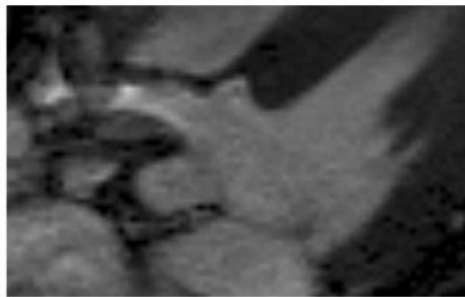
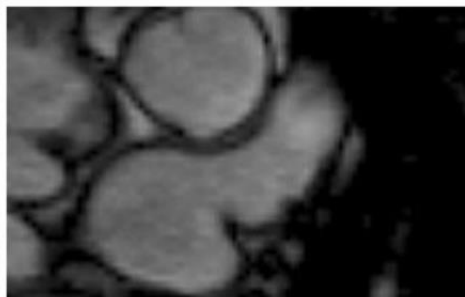
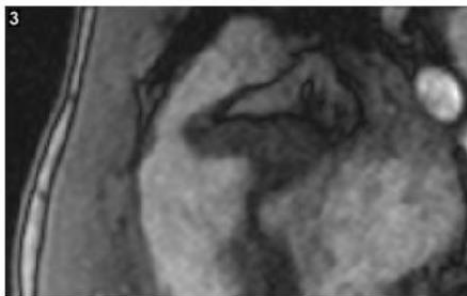
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| 1. <b>Anatomy stack</b>                | 6. <b>MPA flow</b>     |
| 2. <b>VLA, HLA, LV stack, RV stack</b> | 7. <b>AoV flow</b>     |
| 3. <b>LVOT, RVOT</b>                   | 8. Branch PAs flow     |
| 4. <b>PAs</b>                          | 9. 3D whole heart      |
| 5. <b>Conduit cross-cuts</b>           | 10. Coronal cine stack |

## Report

1. **Size (corrected for BSA) and function**
  - LV: EDV, ESV, SV, EF, RWMA, mass
  - RV: EDV, ESV, SV, EF, RWMA
2. **Conduit patency and proximity to sternum**
3. **LVOT obstruction**
4. **MPA & branch PA patency (and flow)**
5. **Residual ASD, VSD, Qp (MPA flow) : Qs (Ao flow)**
6. **Course of coronary arteries and likelihood of compression if percutaneous intervention to the conduit**

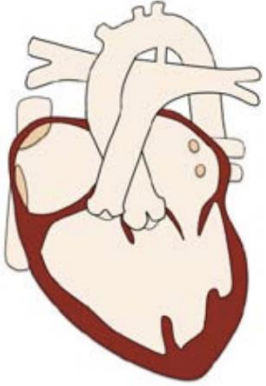
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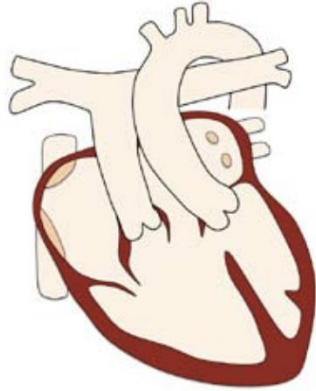


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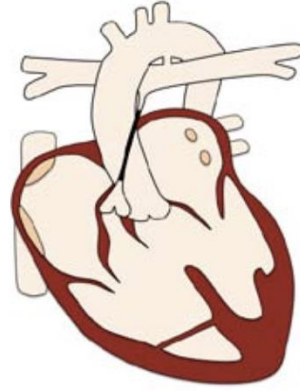
# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Cuori univentricolari



Tricuspid atresia



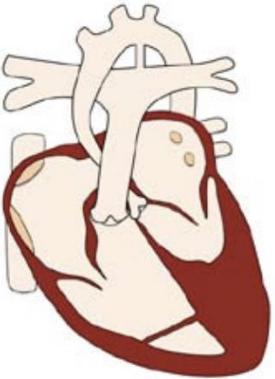
Double inlet ventricle



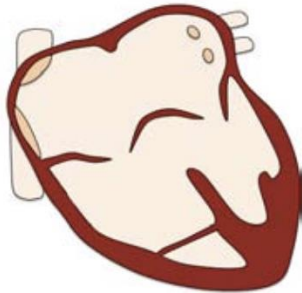
Pulmonary atresia

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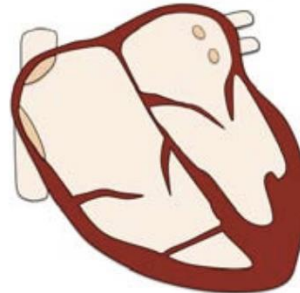
**Pre-intervento**



Hypoplastic left heart



Unbalanced AVSD



Ebstein anomaly

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Cuori univentricolari

## Palliative procedure

### Stage 1 - Glenn procedure

### Stage 2 - Fontan completion

- Total cavo-pulmonary connection (TCPC)
  - Lateral tunnel - intracardiac
  - Extracardiac
  - Atrio-pulmonary

## Additional interventions

### Atrial septostomy

- to maintain systemic venous return to heart

### Arterial shunt

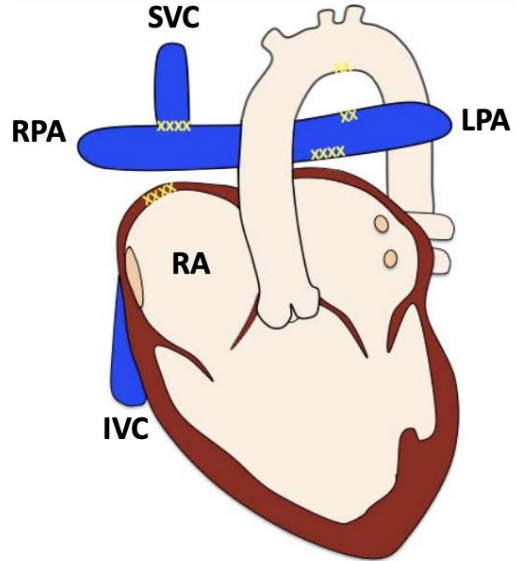
- if inadequate pulmonary blood supply

### PA banding

- if excessive pulmonary blood supply

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# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Cuori univentricolari



## Initial interventions

- SVC detachment from RA
- Reconnection to RPA

## Late interventions

- Usually proceeds Fontan
- Collateral vessels may require occlusion if significant desaturation

## Post-operative complications

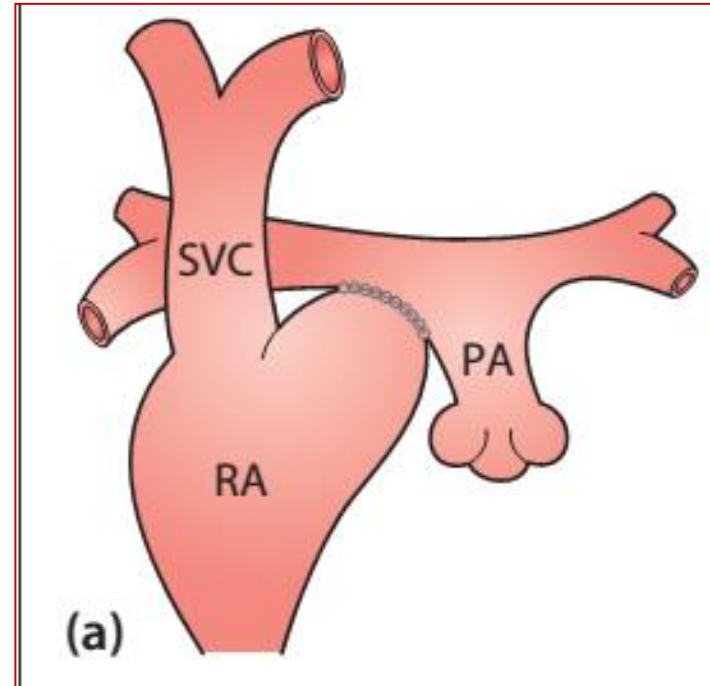
- Proximal insertion stenosis
- PA dilation
- Collateral formation (usually via azygous dilatation)

## Intervento di Glenn

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## Classic Fontan (atriopulmonary)

L'atrio destro è connesso all'arteria polmonare grazie ad una anastomosi anteriore o posteriore



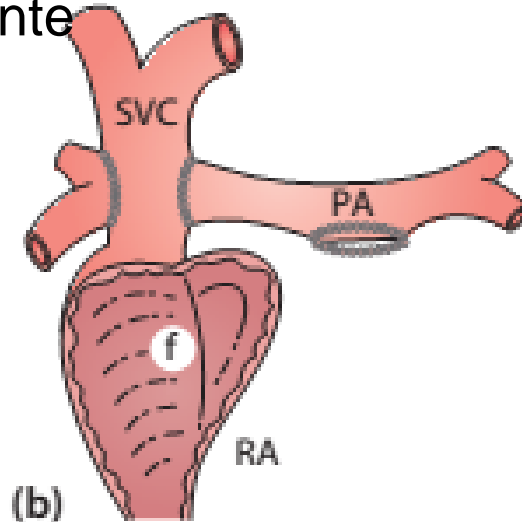
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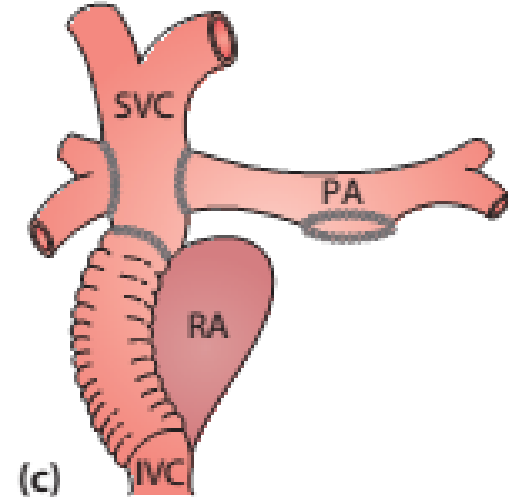
- Stenosis to systemic venous pathways
- Ascites (due to protein losing enteropathy)
- Deterioration of ventricular function
- Massively dilated RA
- Thrombus risk particularly high
- Pulmonary venous compression
- AV valve regurgitation
- No Glenn shunt as direct communication

## Modified Fontan

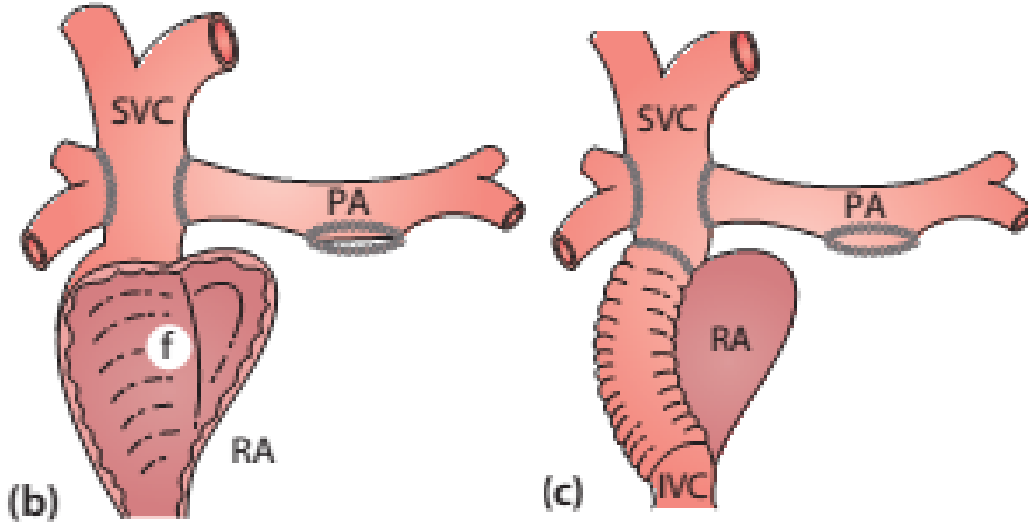
- Condotto intra-extra-atriale (eventualmente valvolato)



- Total cavopulmonary connection (le vene polmonari si connettono alla APDx; la VCS direttamente, la VCI con un tunnel intra- o extra-atriale)



## Modified Fontan



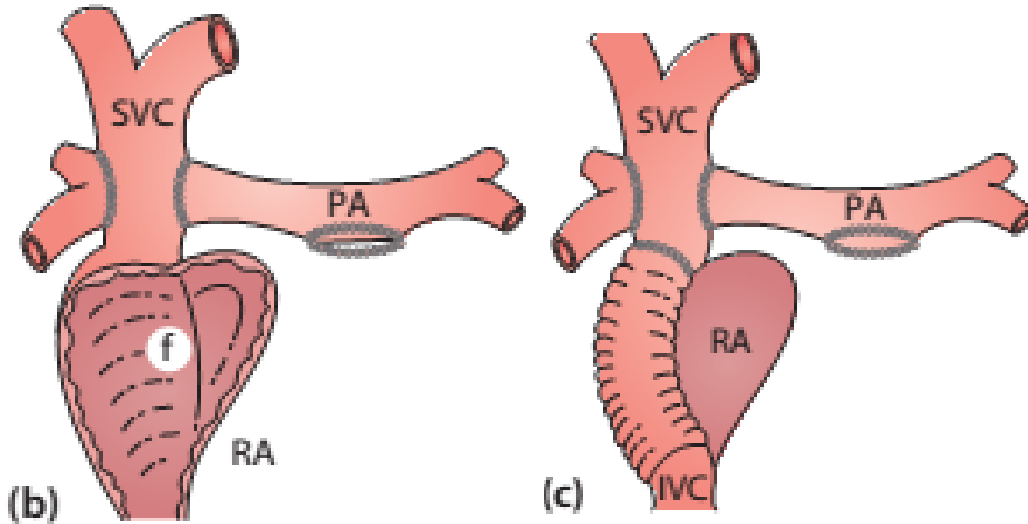
### Initial interventions

- Preceded by Glenn shunt or BT shunt

### Late interventions

- Occasional fenestration closure
- Occlusion of systemic to pulmonary venous collaterals

## Modified Fontan



### Post-operative complications

- Stenosis to systemic venous pathways
- Ascites (due to protein losing enteropathy)
- Deterioration of ventricular function
- Thrombus always possible
- Pulmonary venous compression
- AV valve regurgitation

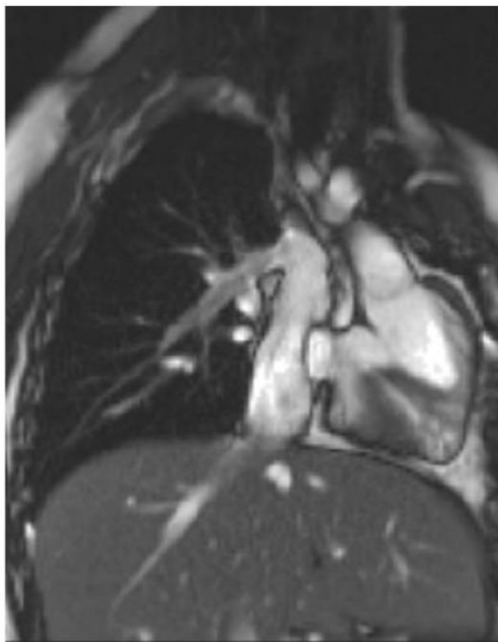
## 7 Fontan: Aspetti fisiopatologici peculiari

1. Bassa portata cronica (un singolo ventricolo per tutto il circolo)
2. Peggioramento della funzione ventricolare > aumento PTD e PAP
3. Insufficienza della valvola AV > aritmie atriali
4. Ostruzione ritorno venoso sistemico > aumento afterload > ascite, enteropatia proteinodisperdente, insufficienza ventricolare
5. Compressione della vena polmonare destra ad opera dell'atrio destro (Fontan AP) > aumento pressioni venose polmonari e in AP
6. Formazione di trombi

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: s/p Fontan



**Fontan  
atriopolmonare**



**TCPC con  
condotto  
laterale**



**TCPC con  
condotto  
extracardiaco**

## Standard imaging

1. Cine CMR: axial stack from the mid-liver to the top of the aortic arch
2. Cine CMR: coronal or oblique stack to image the Fontan baffle in long-axis
3. Ventriculography module
4. CE-MRA or 3D SSFP to image the thoracic vasculature
5. PC CMR: AAo, native MPA, branch PAs, SVC, IVC

## Additional case-specific/comprehensive imaging

1. Cine CMR: long-axis aortic arch plane
2. LGE module
3. PC CMR: AV valve, pulmonary veins

**Key reporting elements: Fontan pathway, SVC, IVC, branch PA, pulmonary vein (compressed?), and aortic arch obstruction; Fontan baffle defects; presence of thrombus; ventricular parameters; valve regurgitation; aortopulmonary collaterals**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: s/p Fontan



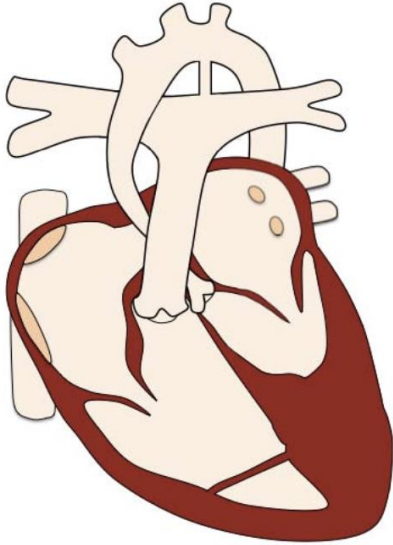
**Dilatazione  
atriale destra  
con trombosi  
atriale**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: s/p Fontan



**Dilatazione atriale destra con  
compressione vena polmonare  
inferiore destra**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Hypoplastic Left Heart



## Pre-operative findings

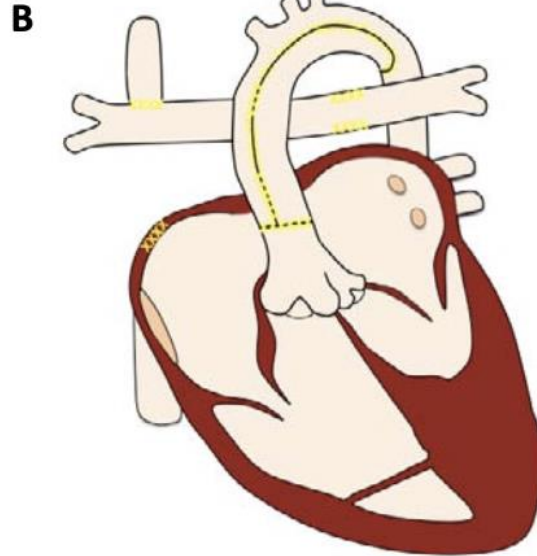
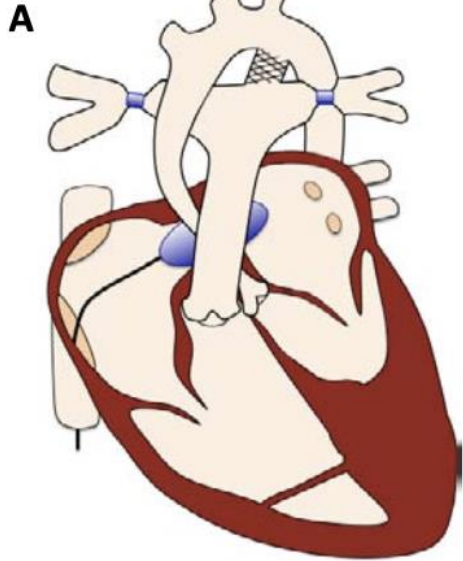
- Marked hypoplasia of the LV and ascending aorta
- AV and MV are atretic, hypoplastic, or stenotic
- PDA and / or ASD
- Double outlet RV in 25%

## Associated findings

- Aortic coarctation

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# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: Hypoplastic Left Heart



## Hybrid procedure (A)

- PDA stent, atrial septostomy, pulmonary banding

## Norwood procedure (B)

Stage 1: □ MPA used to augment aorta

□ RV utilised as a systemic ventricle

□ PA to ascAo anastomosis to supply coronary circulation

□ BT shunt or RV to PA shunt to supply PAs

□ Atrial septectomy

Stage 2: Glenn procedure

Stage 3: Fontan completion

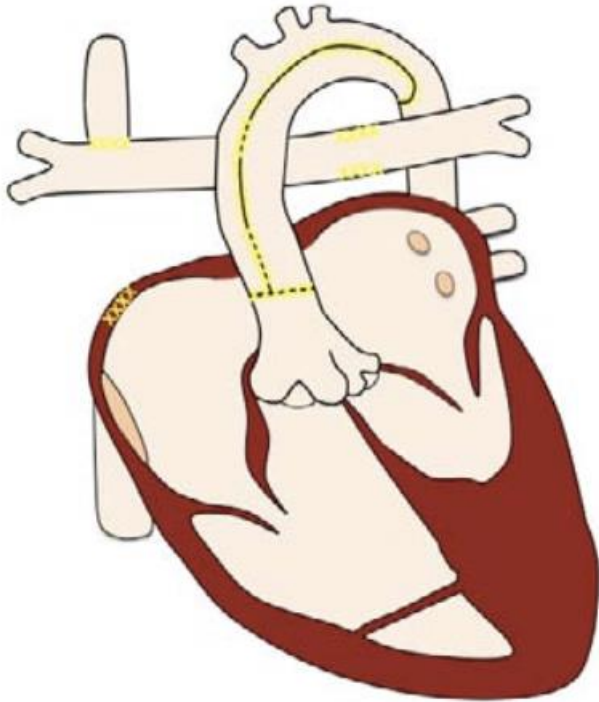
**Damus-Kaye-Stancel anastomosis** (augmented neo-aorta)

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: s/p Norwood



**Norwood stadio I: Sano shunt**

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: s/p Norwood



## Complicanze post-operatorie:

Come per s/p Fontan, e inoltre

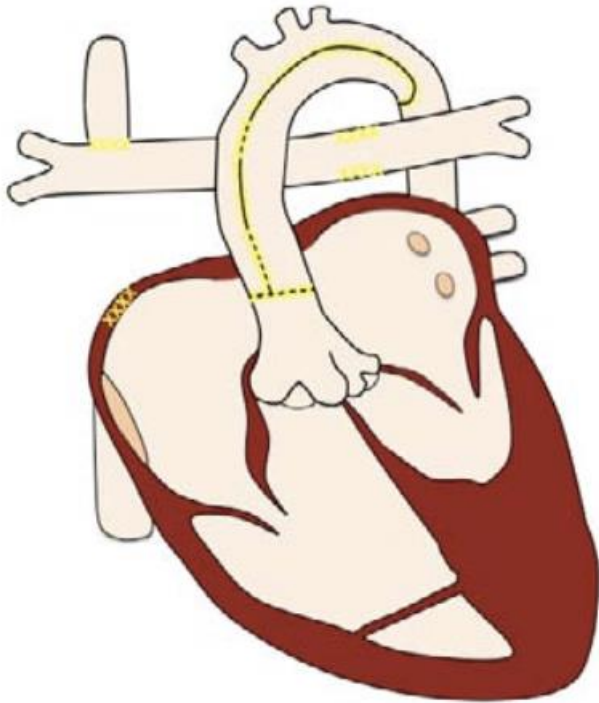
1. Ricoartazione aortica
2. Restringimento/chiusura DIA
3. Stenosi Apsn
4. Insufficienza del Vdx sistemico
5. Insufficienza tricuspidalica
6. Ischemia coronarica

# CARDIOPATIE CONGENITE: s/p Norwood

## Fisiopatologia:

Come per s/p Fontan, e inoltre

1. Ricoartazione o dilatazione neoaorta
2. Stenosi dei tronchi sovraaortici
3. Le coronarie originano dall'aorta originaria, ipoplastica, e anastomizzata alla neo aorta
4. Tricuspide > valvola AV sistemica > IT probabile
5. Vdx sistemico e plurimi interventi > prognosi peggiore a lungo termine



## Standard imaging

1. Cine CMR: axial stack from the mid-liver to the top of the aortic arch
2. Ventriculography module
3. CE-MRA or 3D SSFP to image the thoracic vasculature and surgical shunts
4. PC CMR: AAO, native MPA, branch PAs

## Additional case-specific/comprehensive imaging

1. LGE module
2. Cine CMR: long-axis aortic arch plane
3. Spin echo: axial plane to image the branch PAs and aortopulmonary shunt
4. PC CMR: SVC, IVC, tricuspid and mitral valves,
5. DAo at the level of the diaphragm, pulmonary veins

**Key reporting elements: shunt, branch PA, pulmonary vein, and aortic arch obstruction; ventricular parameters; valve regurgitation; aortopulmonary collaterals; venous collaterals**

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