

# **Management of Massive and Submassive Pulmonary Embolism**

한양의대 내과

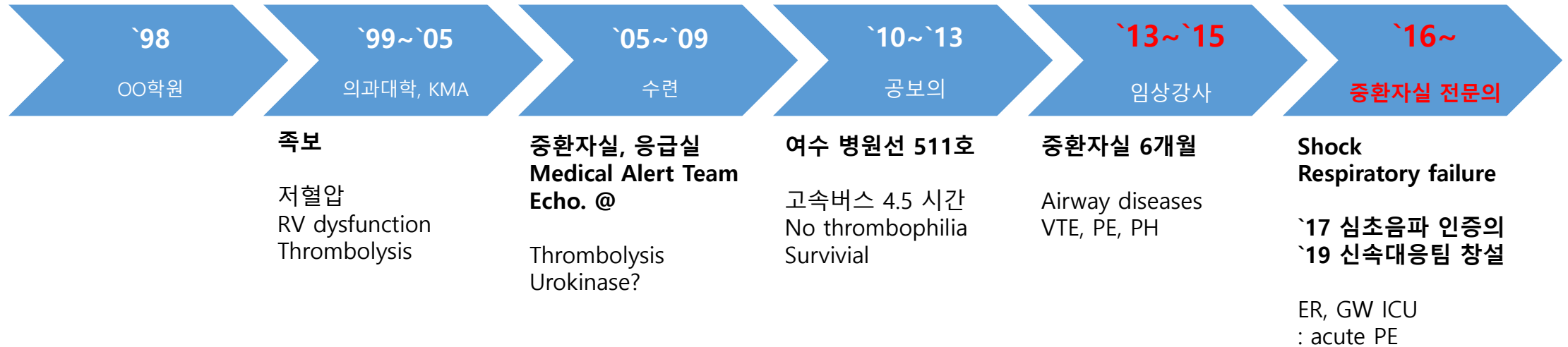
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# Topics – Pulmonary Embolism (PE)

- Pathophysiology
- Risk stratification
- Treatment in the acute phase

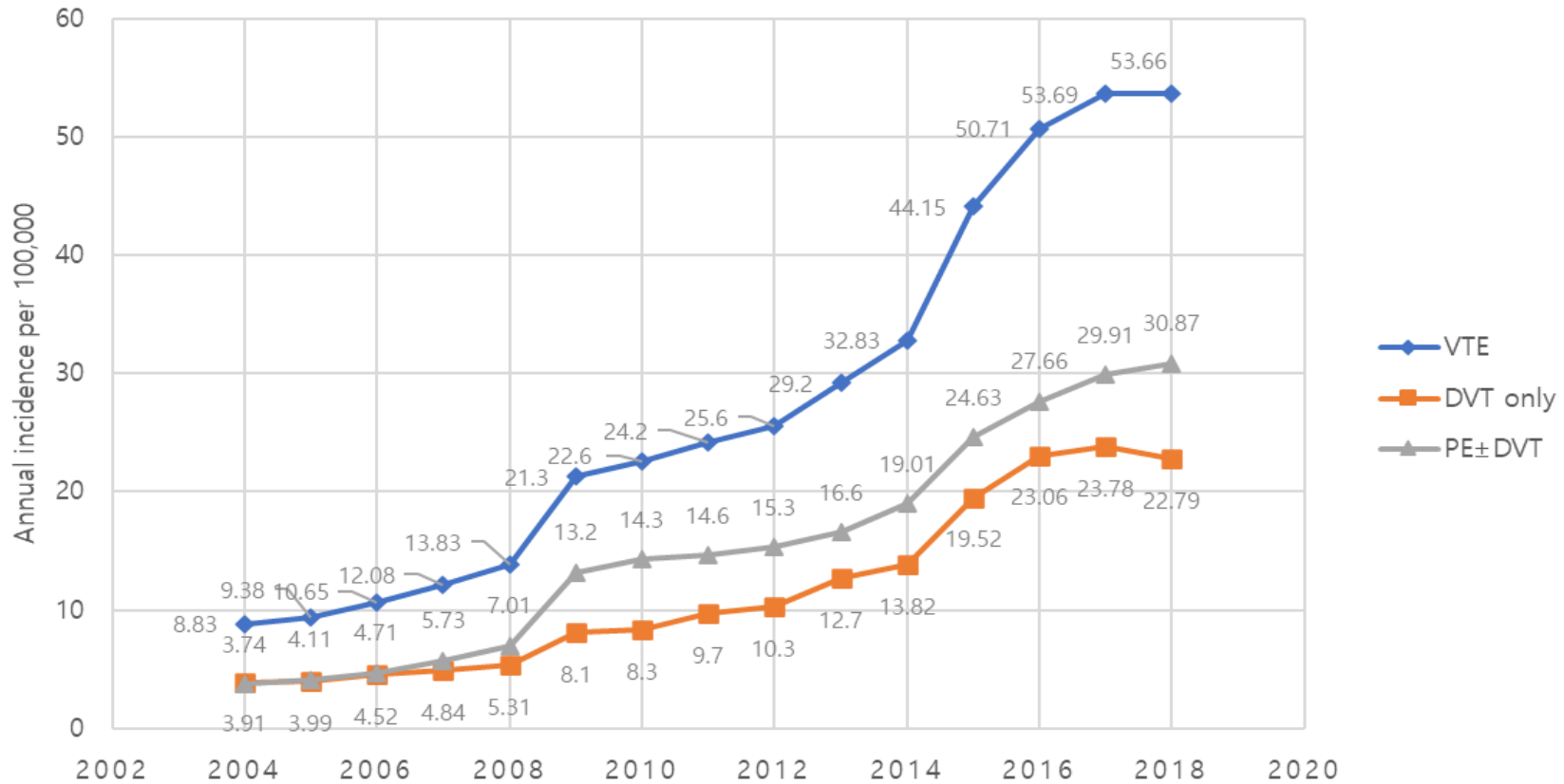
Case review

# My Life and Pulmonary Embolism



# Annual Incidence of Venous ThromboEmbolism (VTE) in Korea

Old age  
Operation  
Knee/Hip op.  
Cancer



# 증례 1

F/75

C/C:

-dyspnea, NYHA II (onset: 3 weeks ago)

Brief Hx:

-3주 전부터 시작된 호흡곤란 발생, 1주전부터 악화

-심장내과 외래 통해 일반병실로 당일 입원

-입원 후 저산소성 호흡부전으로 입원 3시간 만에 중환자실로 전동

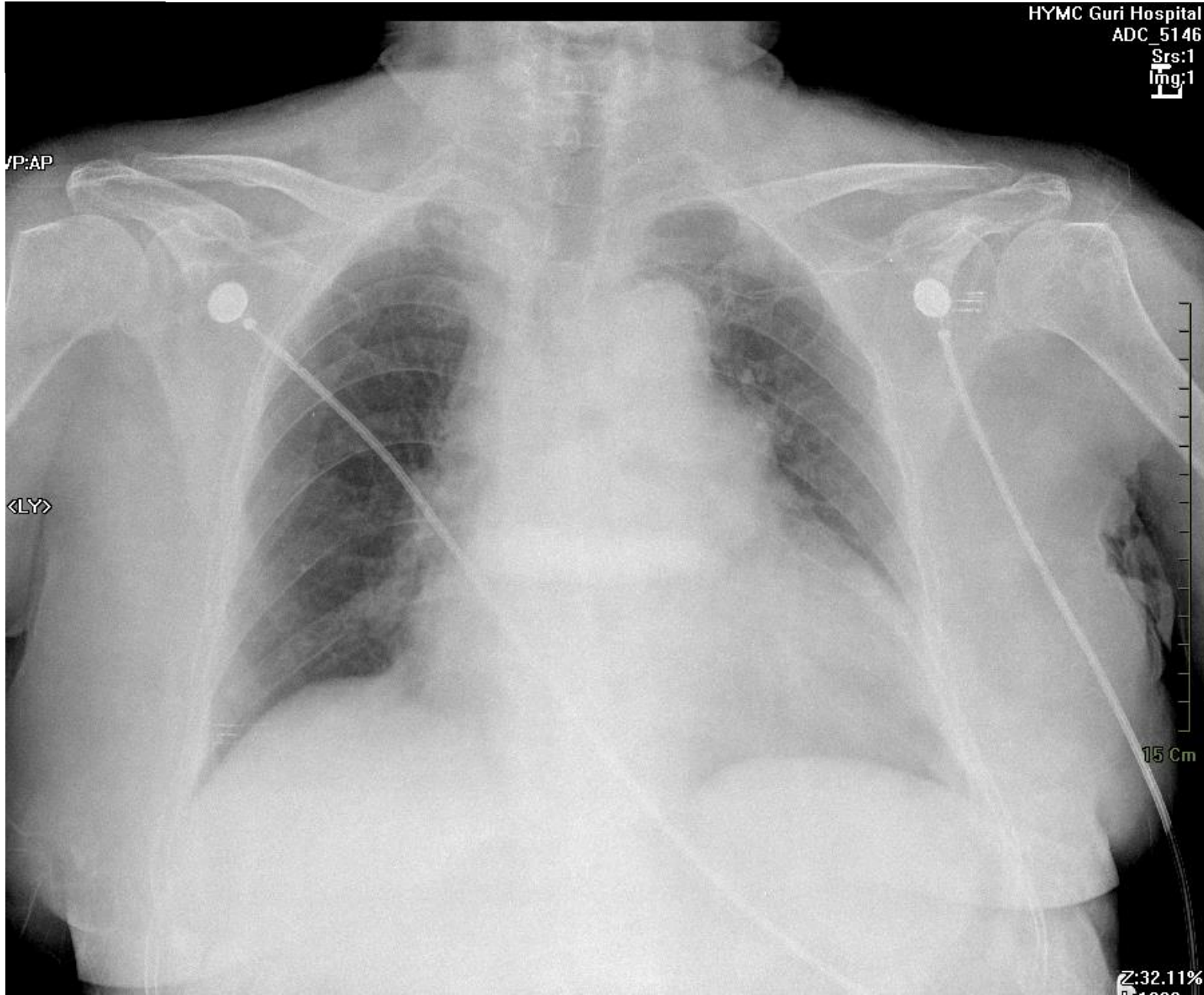
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VP:AP

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Z:32.11%



# Lab Findings

ABGA: 7.31 – 27.9 – **62.0** – 14.1

Lactate: **5.5** [0.7 – 2.5]

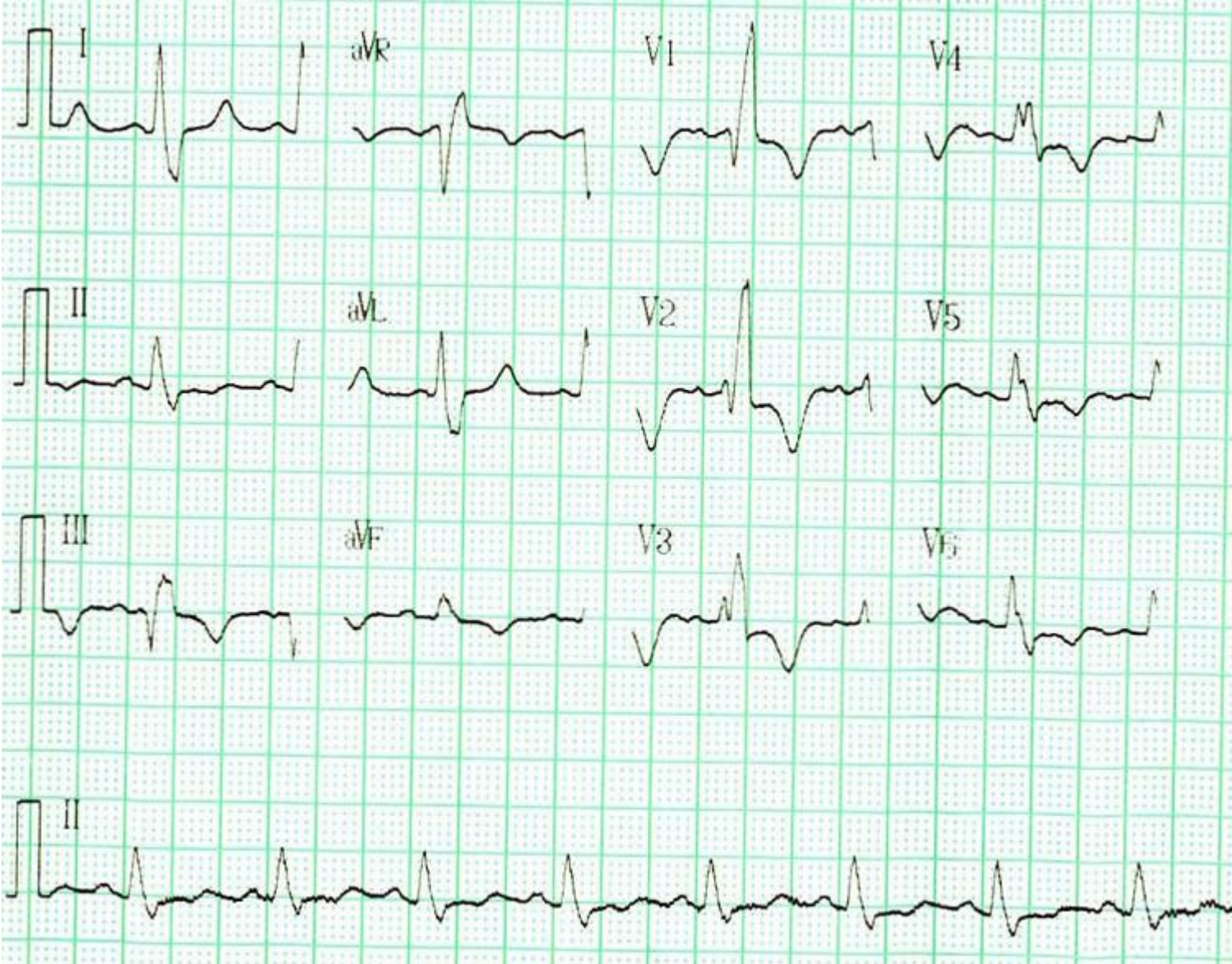
D-dimer: **978** [0 – 250]

BNP: **2821.0** [0 – 100]

CK-MB 6.2 [0.3 – 4]

Tnl: **0.42** [0 – 0.04]

# EKG



# 일반 병실에서의 경과

15:00 혈압 100/50, 심박수 96, **호흡수 44**, 체온 36.6, **산소포화도 77%**

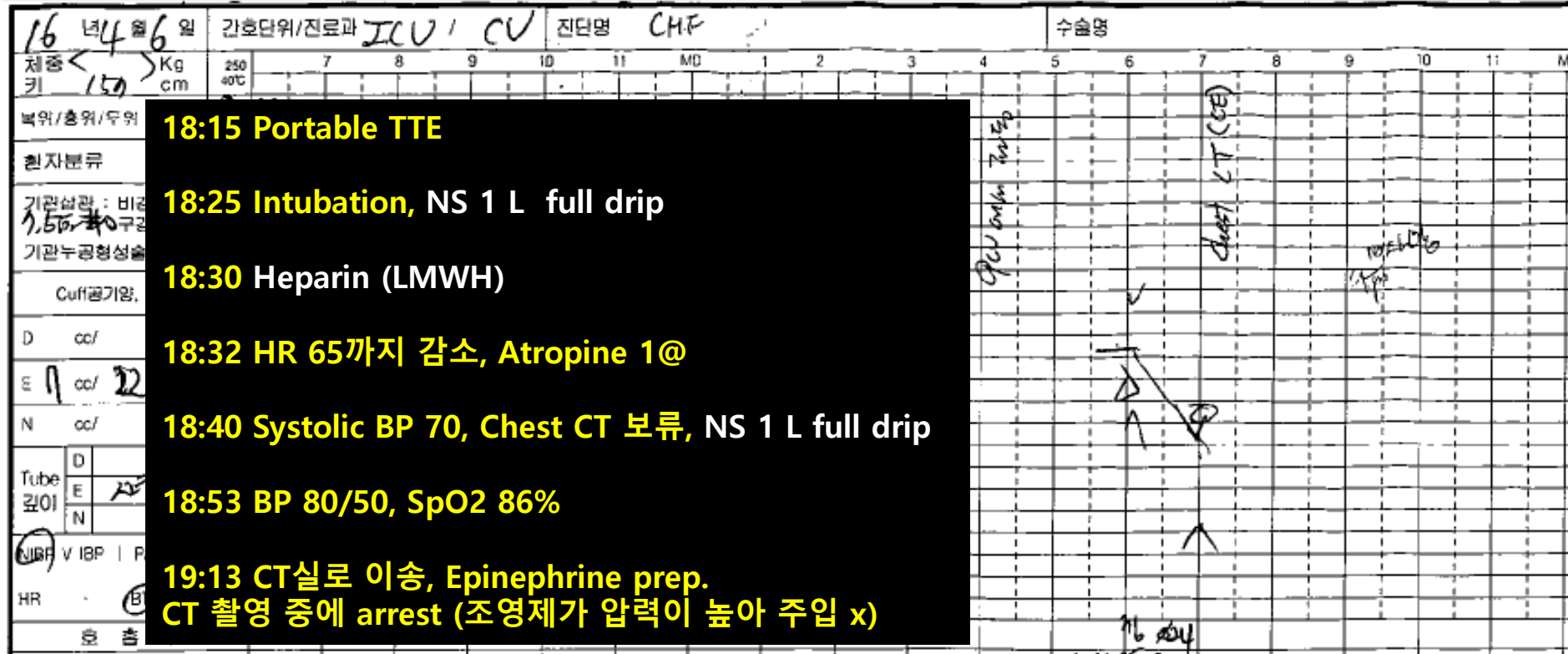
15:40 **혈압 70/50**, 심박수 100, 호흡수 32

O<sub>2</sub>: nasal prong → reservoir bag 15 L/min

Dobutamine, NTG

18:00 ICU로 전동

# ICU에서의 경과



## <Bedside Echocardiography Report>

Collapsed LV by RV dilatation

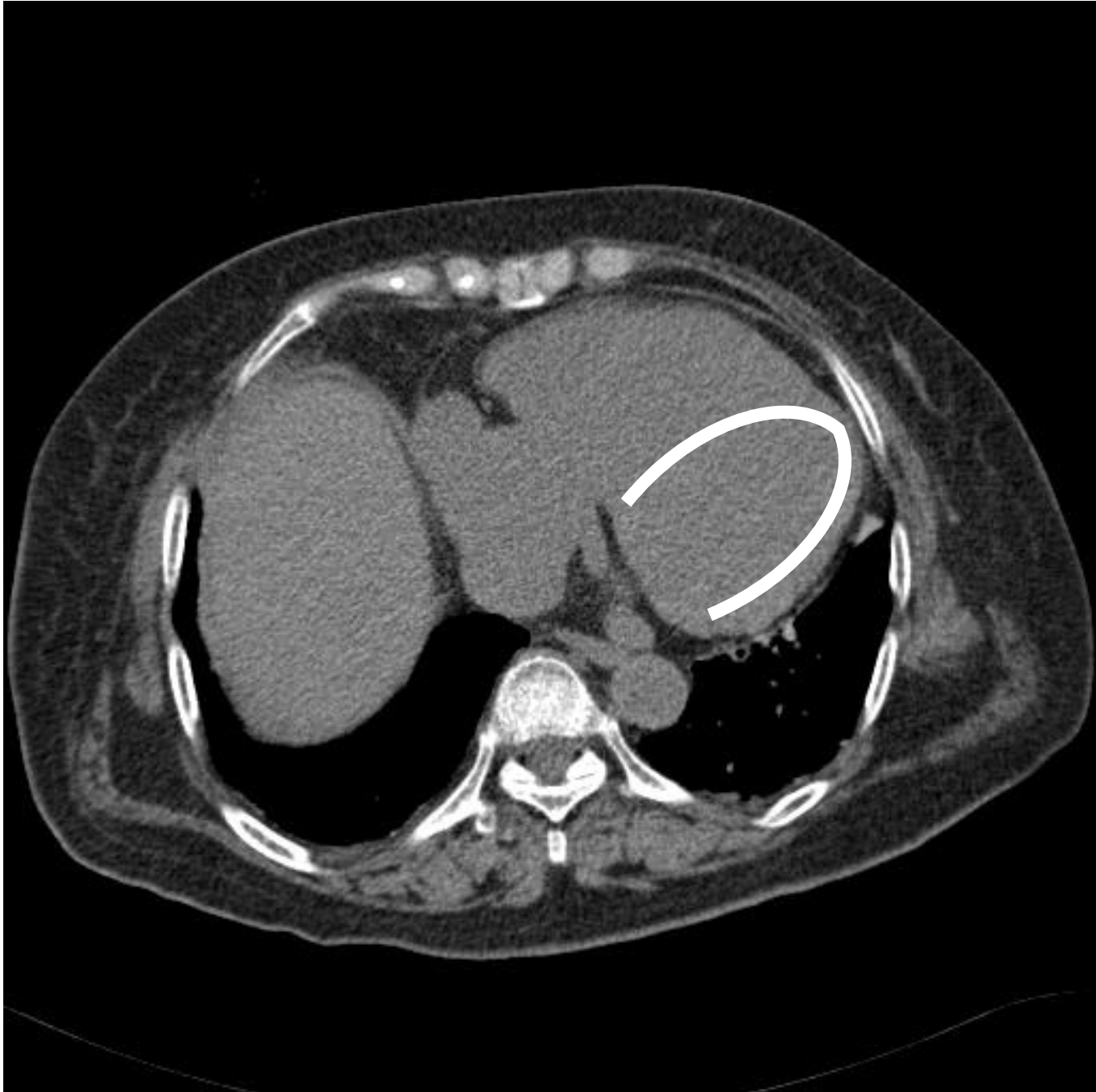
Pericardial effusion (-)

LV contractility는 정상이나 RV가 너무 커서 LV cavity가 거의 보이지 않을 정도임

RV는 거의 정지된 상태로 contraction이 없음

Pulmonary trunk 및 both main pulmonary artery를 관찰하였을 뚜렷한 embolism은 보이지 않았음.

Clinical impression: acute pulmonary thromboembolism and RV failure



# PE Pt List

관리구분  개인  진료과

## 관심분류

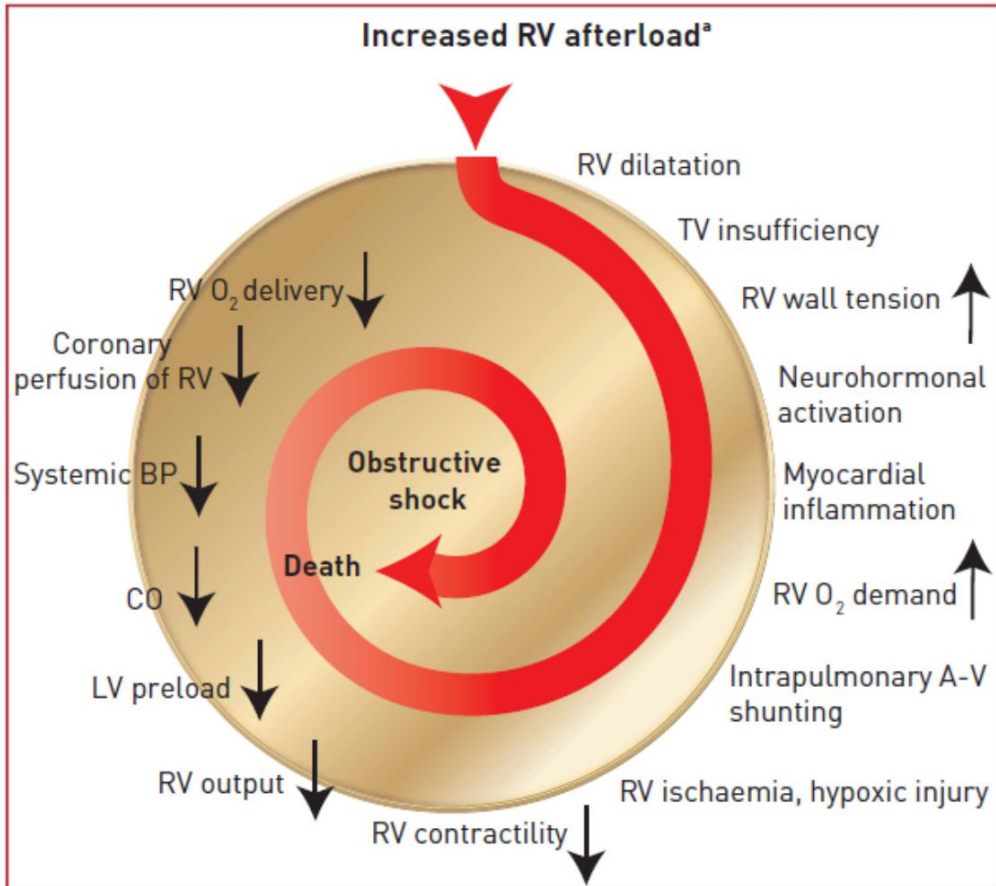
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- 001. CR/CT
- 002. PFT/6MWT/CPET
- 003. BFS
- 01. Pneumonia
- 011. COVID-19
- 02. TB/NTM
- 03. BE
- 04. COPD
- 05. Asthma
- 06. ILD
- 07. PE
- 08. PH
- 09. Pleura
- 10. Lung cancer
- 11. Environment
- 99. ARDS
- 99. Sepsis
- ER
- X. Arrest
- 미분류

## 관심환자 목록

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# Pathophysiology of PE



A vast spectrum of clinical presentation

Asymptomatic~Hypotension

Shock

Sudden cardiac arrest

**Hemodynamic compromise**

**“RV failure”**

**– the main driver of mortality**

# To Reduce Mortality associated with PE

- PE related mortality
  - 19.4 ~ 32.3 / 100,000 individual
  - In-hospital mortality 7%
  - **Mortality 33% (22-65%)** in patients with hemodynamic compromise including cardiac arrest
    - **Occuring suddenly or before therapy can be initiated!!!**

# To Reduce Mortality associated with PE

- Early diagnosis for **hemodynamic compromise**
  - D-dimer → CT: not feasible
  - **Echocardiography (point-of-care)** to detect acute cor pulmonale
- **Accurate risk assessment** at initial diagnosis to guide appropriate treatment

# Pulmonary Embolism Outcome: A Prospective Evaluation of CT Pulmonary Angiographic Clot Burden Score and ECG Score

Clot burden  $\propto$  PE outcome

**TABLE 3: Univariate Analysis of Comorbid Conditions and 12-Month Mortality Rate**

Patient No.	Condition	Odds Ratio	95% CI		<i>p</i>
			Lower	Upper	
1	Recent surgery <sup>a</sup>	9.64	1.20	77.25	0.0328
2	Diastolic blood pressure < 70 mm Hg	3.09	0.93	10.28	0.06
3	Systolic blood pressure > 140 mm Hg	2.15	0.44	10.34	0.34
4	PaO <sub>2</sub> < 60 mm Hg	1.80	0.50	6.40	0.36
5	Previous PE or DVT	1.52	0.31	7.46	0.60
6	COPD	1.65	0.37	7.32	0.50
7	Clot burden	1.00	0.97	1.04	0.70
8	History of smoking	1.03	0.83	1.27	0.80
9	Heart failure	0.94	0.25	3.52	0.93
10	History of myocardial infarction	0.86	0.10	7.75	0.90
11	Male sex	0.81	0.25	2.67	0.73
12	Age > 65 years	0.56	0.17	1.83	0.34
13	Active malignancy <sup>a</sup>	0.08	0.02	0.28	< 0.0001

Note—PE = pulmonary embolism, DVT = deep venous thrombosis, COPD = chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

<sup>a</sup>Significantly associated with 12-month all-cause mortality rate in patients diagnosed as having pulmonary embolism.

# **Risk Stratification**

# Nomenclature – “Hemodynamic”

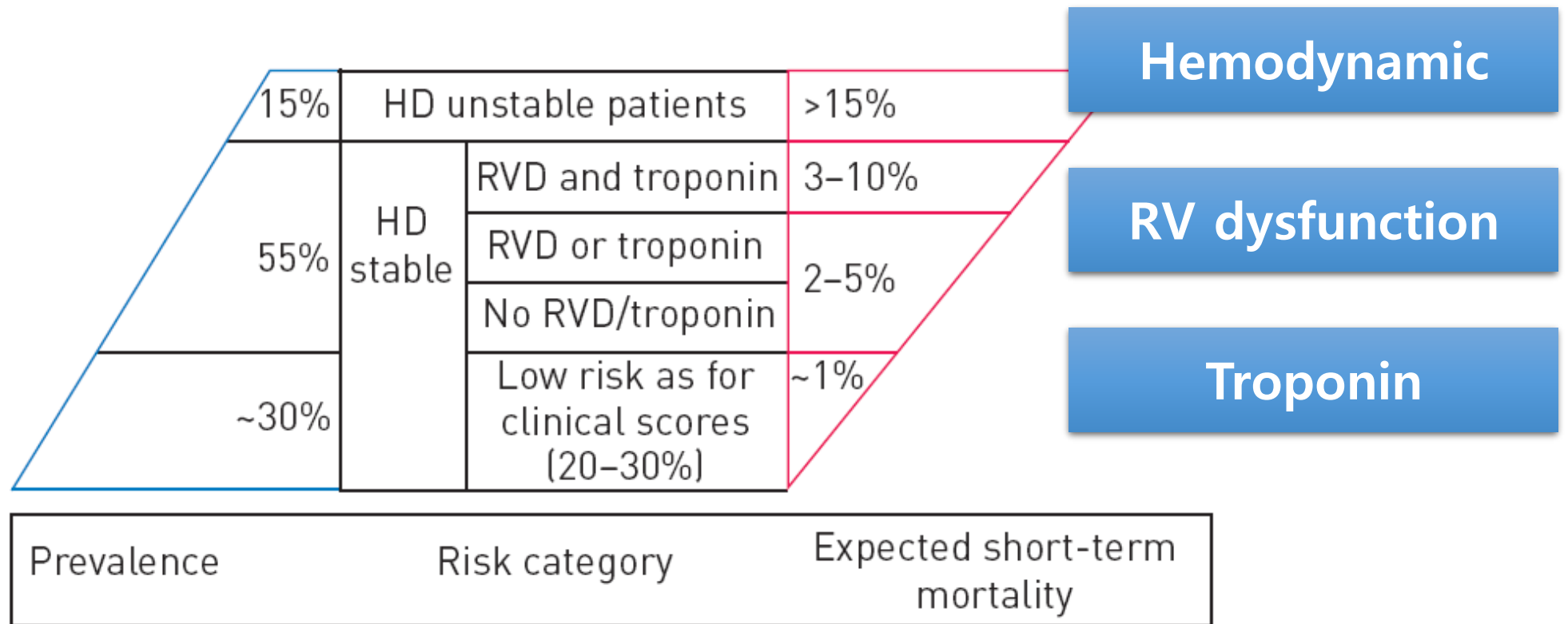
## 2019 ERS/ESC guideline

- **High-risk**
- **Intermediate-risk**
  - **Intermediate-high**
  - Intermediate-low
- Low-risk

## 2011 AHA guideline

- **Massive**
- **Submassive**
- Low-risk

# Expected Prevalence and Short-term Mortality in PE



# Classification of PE Severity (Risk Assessment) – the Risk of Early (in-hospital or 30 day) Death

Early mortality risk		Indicators of risk			
		Haemodynamic instability <sup>a</sup>	Clinical parameters of PE severity and/or comorbidity: PESI class III–V or sPESI ≥1	RV dysfunction on TTE or CTPA <sup>b</sup>	Elevated cardiac troponin levels <sup>c</sup>
High		+	(+) <sup>d</sup>	+	(+)
Intermediate	Intermediate-high	–	+ <sup>e</sup>	+	+
	Intermediate-low	–	+ <sup>e</sup>	One (or none) positive	
Low		–	–	–	Assessment optional; if assessed, negative

# Indicator of Risk:

## “Hemodynamic Instability”

### (1) Cardiac arrest

Need for cardiopulmonary resuscitation

### (2) Obstructive shock [68–70]

Systolic BP <90 mmHg or vasopressors required to achieve a BP  $\geq$ 90 mmHg despite adequate filling status

*And*

End-organ hypoperfusion (altered mental status; cold, clammy skin; oliguria/anuria; increased serum lactate)

### (3) Persistent hypotension

Systolic BP <90 mmHg or systolic BP drop  $\geq$ 40 mmHg, lasting longer than 15 min and not caused by new-onset arrhythmia, hypovolaemia, or sepsis

# Indicator of Risk:

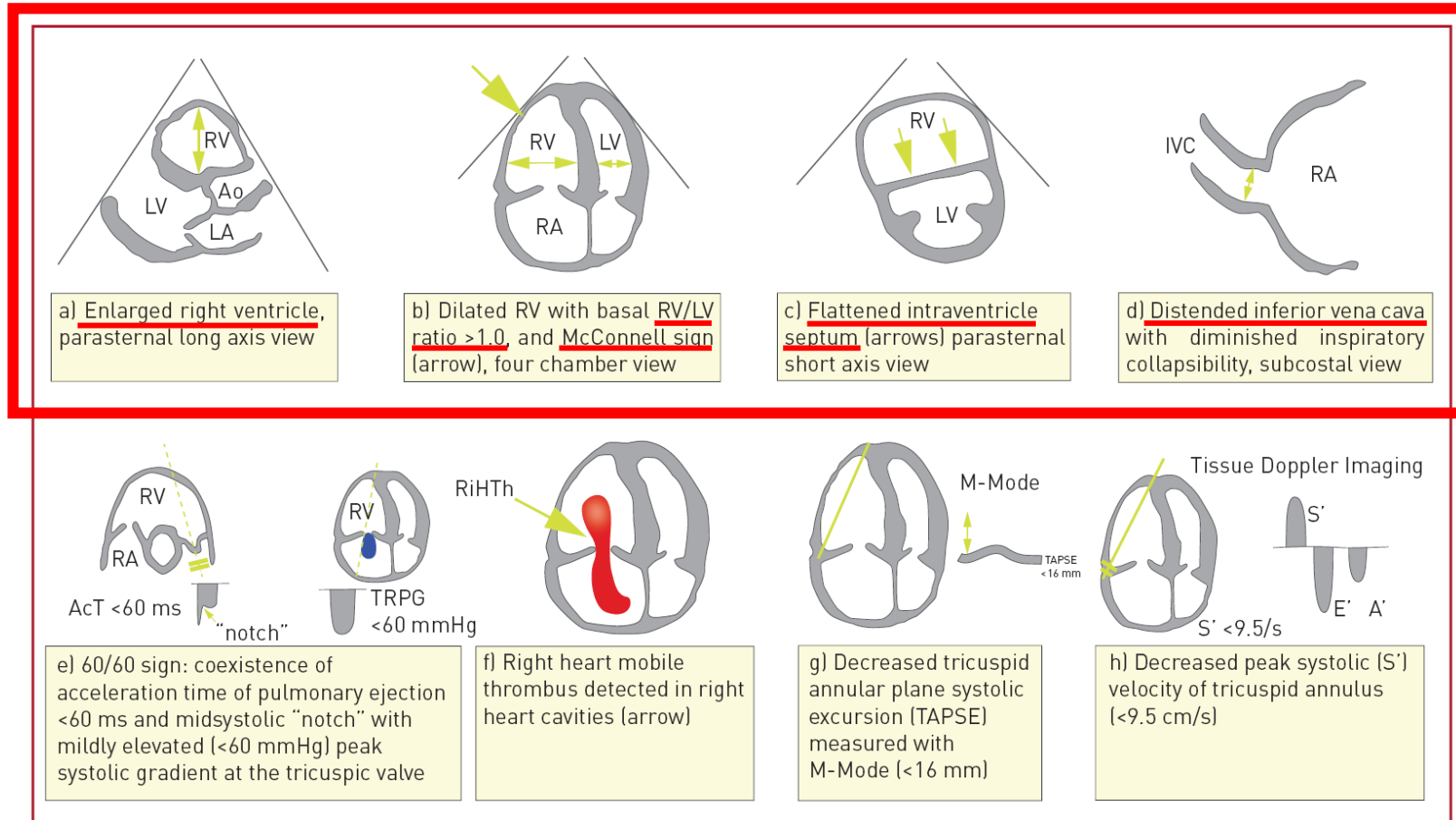
## “Pulmonary Embolism Severity Index (PESI)”

Parameter	Original version [226]	Simplified version [229]
Age	Age in years	1 point (if age >80 years)
Male sex	+10 points	–
Cancer	+30 points	1 point
Chronic heart failure	+10 points	1 point
Chronic pulmonary disease	+10 points	–
Pulse rate $\geq 110$ b.p.m.	+20 points	1 point
Systolic BP <100 mmHg	+30 points	1 point
Respiratory rate >30 breaths per min	+20 points	–
Temperature <36°C	+20 points	–
Altered mental status	+60 points	–
Arterial oxyhaemoglobin saturation <90%	+20 points	1 point
<b>Risk strata<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Class I: <math>\leq 65</math> points</b> very low 30 day mortality risk (0–1.6%) <b>Class II: 66–85 points</b> low mortality risk (1.7–3.5%) <b>Class III: 86–105 points</b> moderate mortality risk (3.2–7.1%) <b>Class IV: 106–125 points</b> high mortality risk (4.0–11.4%) <b>Class V: &gt;125 points</b> very high mortality risk (10.0–24.5%)	<b>0 points</b> 30 day mortality risk 1.0% (95% CI 0.0–2.1%)  <b><u><math>\geq 1</math> point(s)</u></b> 30 day mortality risk 10.9% (95% CI 8.5–13.2%)

BP: blood pressure; b.p.m.: beats per minute; CI: confidence interval. <sup>a</sup>Based on the sum of points.

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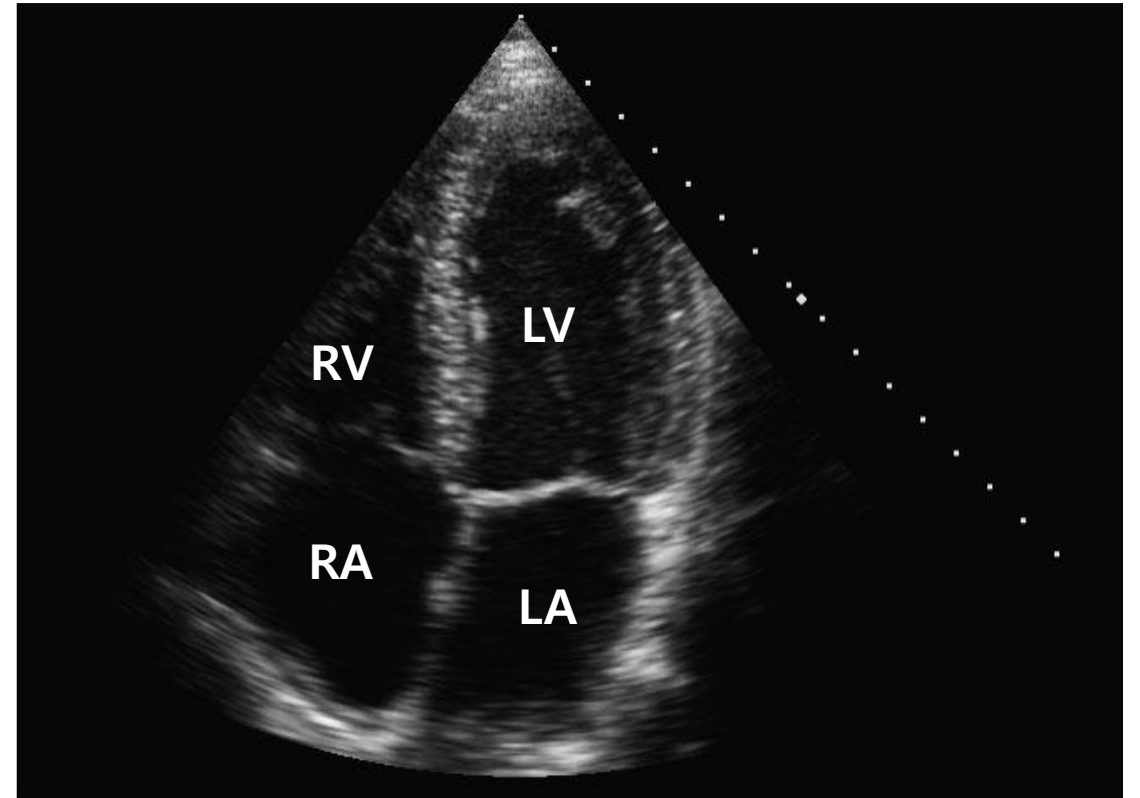
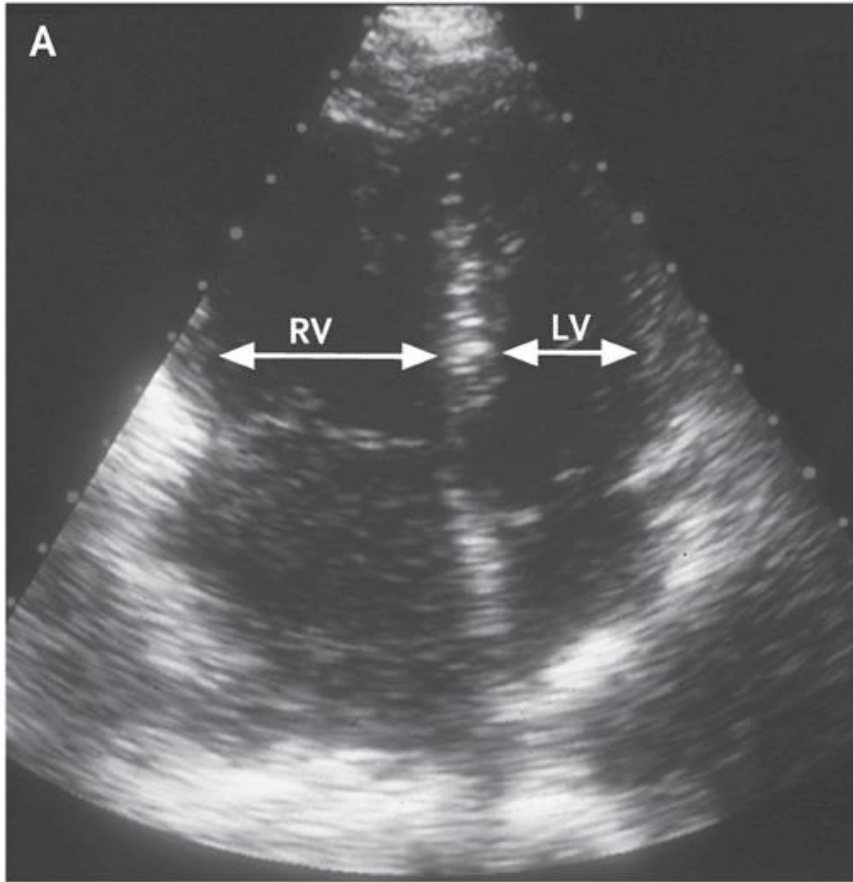
## “RV Pressure Overload” – TTE

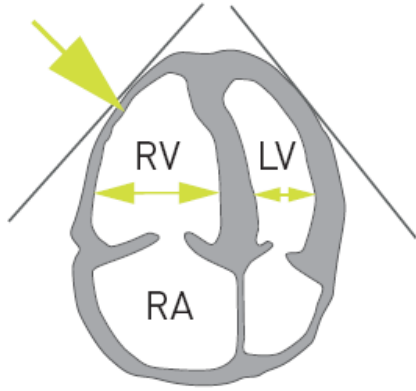


# Point-Of-Care UltraSound (POCUS)

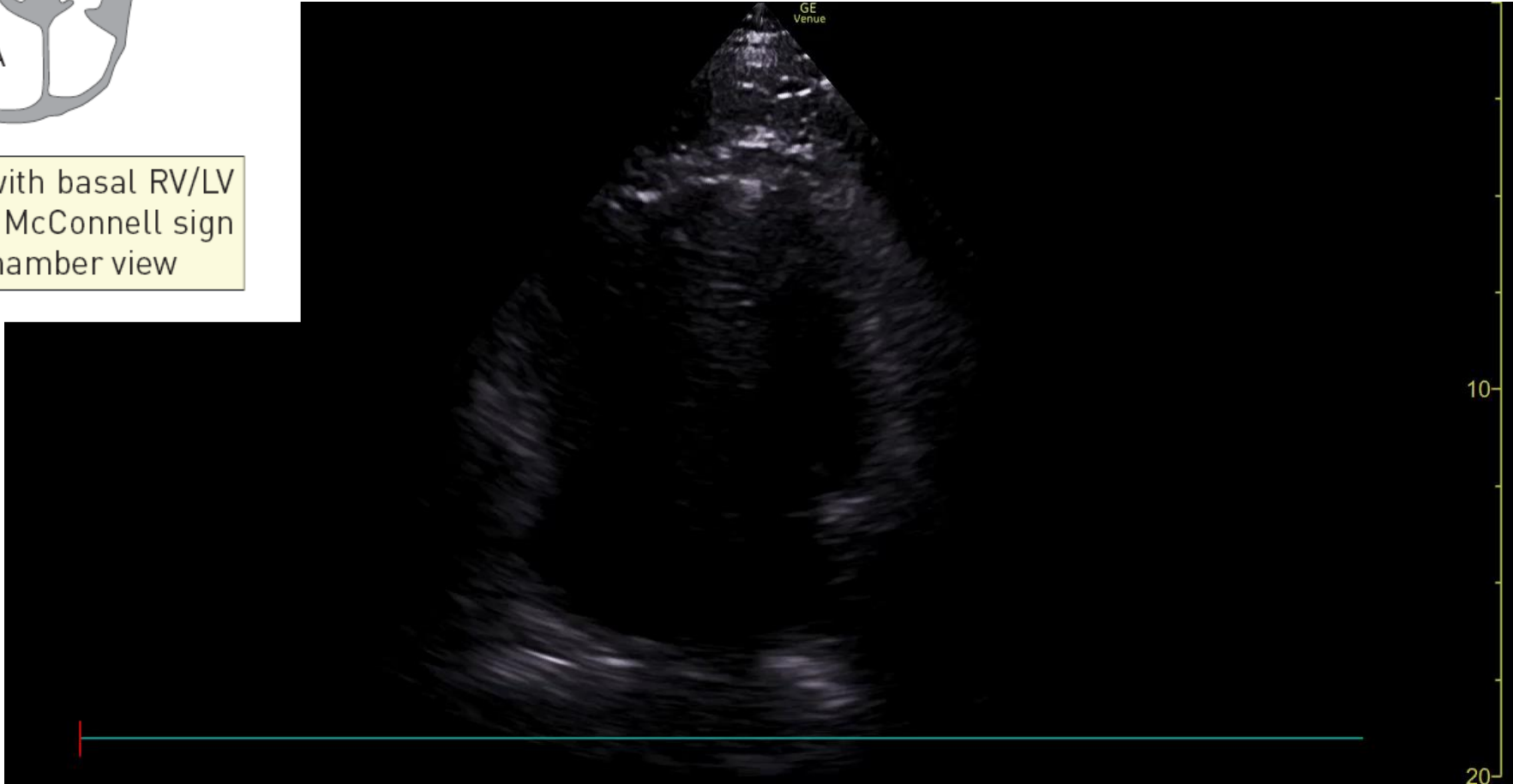
- Hypotension/Shock/Arrest
- Dyspnea/Hypoxemia or Hypoxia
- **3 Es**
  - Ejection fraction (EF)
  - Effusion (tamponade)
  - **Equality (embolism)**

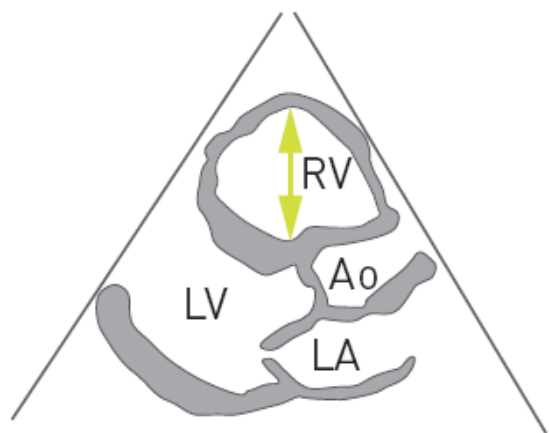
# “Equality” – Four Chamber View in TTE



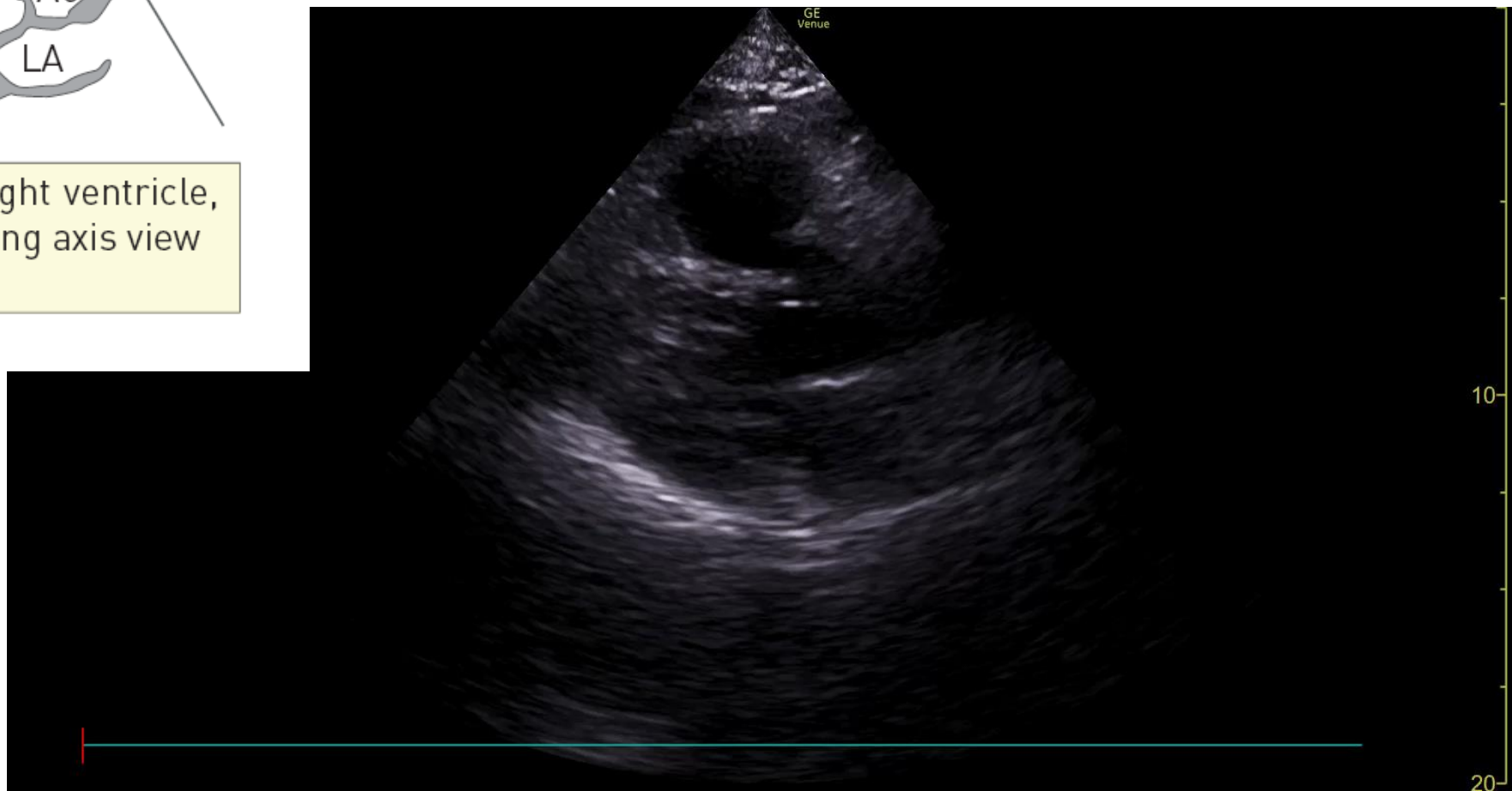


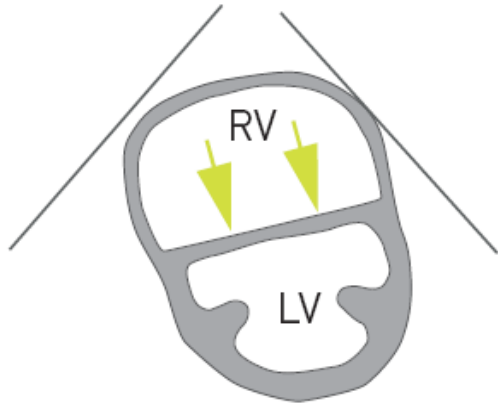
b) Dilated RV with basal RV/LV ratio  $>1.0$ , and McConnell sign (arrow), four chamber view





a) Enlarged right ventricle,  
parasternal long axis view



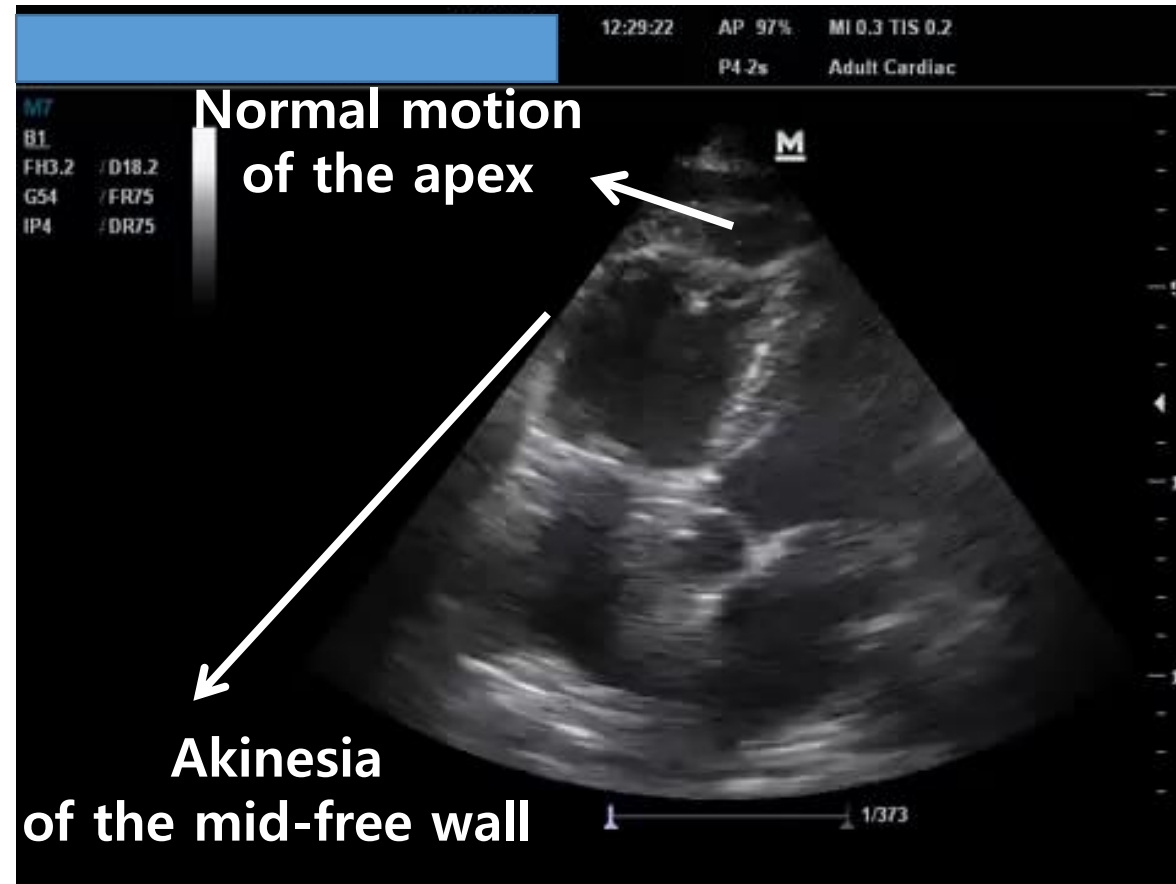


c) Flattened intraventricle septum (arrows) parasternal short axis view



# McConnell's Sign

Sensitivity **77%**  
Specificity **94%**

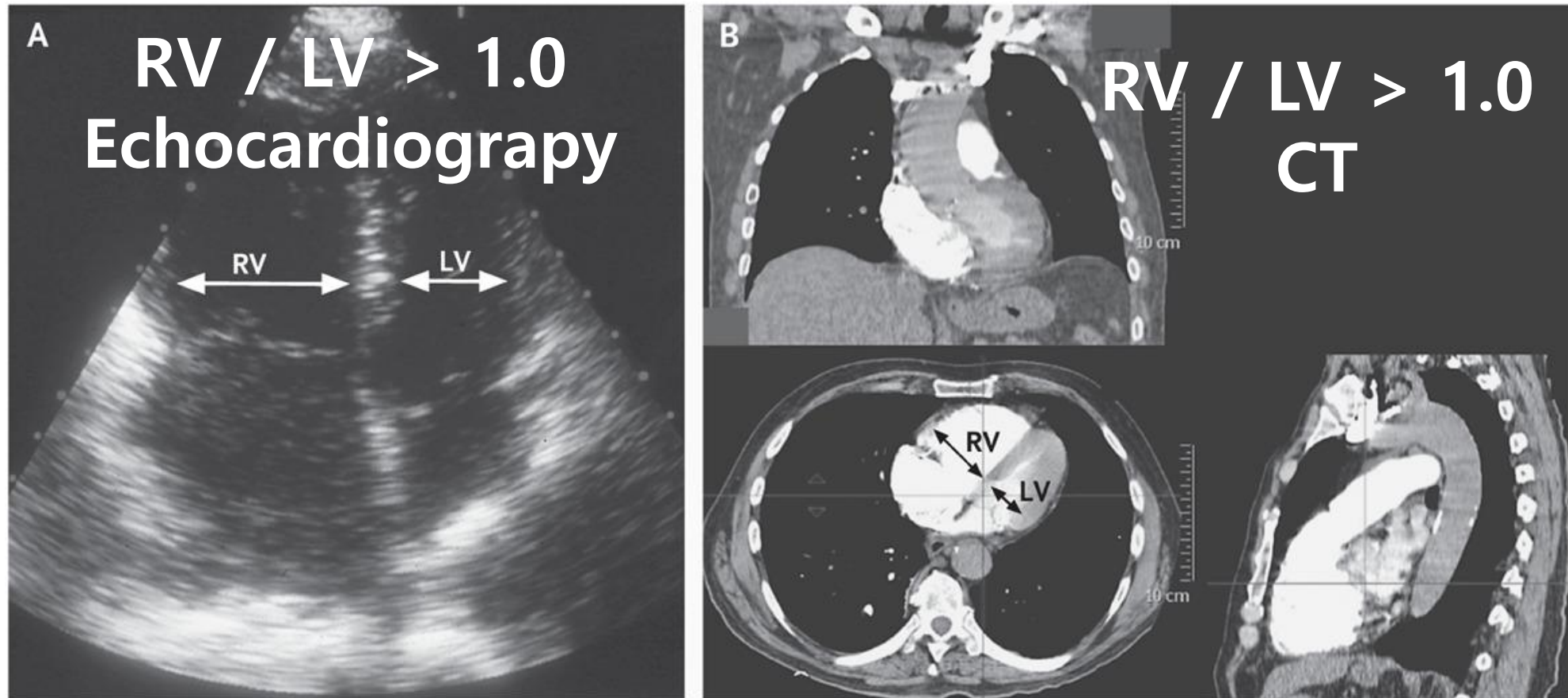


*Cf. Primary pulmonary HTN  
→ Abnormal motion of all regions of the RV*

*Am J Cardiol. 1996; 78: 469–473.*

# Indicator of Risk:

## “RV Pressure Overload – CTPA”



# **Management of High-Risk PE**

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- Hemodynamic support
- Reperfusion therapy

# Hemodynamic Support in the Acute Phase

## – RV Failure in High-Risk PE

**CVP 15 mmHg**

Strategy	Properties and use	Caveats
<b>Volume optimization</b> Cautious volume loading, saline, or Ringer's lactate, $\leq 500$ mL over 15–30 min	Consider in patients with normal–low central venous pressure (due, for example, to concomitant hypovolaemia)	Volume loading can over-distend the RV, worsen ventricular interdependence, and reduce CO [239]
<b>Vasopressors and inotropes</b> <u>Norepinephrine</u> , 0.2–1.0 $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}/\text{min}^a$ [240]	Increases RV inotropy and systemic BP, promotes positive ventricular interactions, and restores coronary perfusion gradient	Excessive vasoconstriction may worsen tissue perfusion
<u>Dobutamine</u> , 2–20 $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}/\text{min}$ [241]	Increases RV inotropy, lowers filling pressures	May aggravate arterial hypotension if used alone, without a vasopressor; may trigger or aggravate arrhythmias
<b>Mechanical circulatory support</b> Venous–arterial <u>ECMO</u> /extracorporeal life support [251, 252, 258]	Rapid short-term support combined with oxygenator	Complications with use over longer periods (>5–10 days), including bleeding and infections; no clinical benefit unless combined with surgical embolectomy; requires an experienced team

CO: cardiac output; BP: blood pressure; ECMO: extracorporeal membrane oxygenation; RV: right ventricle/ventricular. <sup>a</sup>Epinephrine is used in cardiac arrest.

# Reperfusion Therapy

- **Standard-dose systemic thrombolysis**
- **Half-dose systemic thrombolysis**
- **Surgical embolectomy**
- **Catheter-directed approaches**
  - Catheter-directed thrombolysis
  - Catheter-based embolectomy

# Reperfusion Therapy –Thrombolysis

Molecule	Regimen	Contraindications to fibrinolysis
<u>rtPA</u>	<u>100 mg over 2 h</u>	<b>Absolute</b> History of haemorrhagic stroke or stroke of unknown origin Ischaemic stroke in previous 6 months Central nervous system neoplasm Major trauma, surgery, or head injury in previous 3 weeks Bleeding diathesis Active bleeding  <b>Relative</b> Transient ischaemic attack in previous 6 months Oral anticoagulation Pregnancy or first post-partum week Non-compressible puncture sites Traumatic resuscitation Refractory hypertension (systolic BP >180 mmHg) Advanced liver disease Infective endocarditis Active peptic ulcer
<b>Streptokinase</b>	0.6 mg/kg over 15 min (maximum dose 50 mg) <sup>a</sup> 250 000 IU as a loading dose over 30 min, followed by 100 000 IU/h over 12–24 h	
<b>Urokinase</b>	Accelerated regimen: 1.5 million IU over 2 h 4400 IU/kg as a loading dose over 10 min, followed by 4400 IU/kg/h over 12–24 h Accelerated regimen: 3 million IU over 2 h	

<65 yr, 1.4 mg/kg (Min. 50 mg ~ Max. 100mg)  
 ≥65 yr, 1.0 mg/kg (Max: 70 mg)

Actilyse dose: > 65 kg - 10 mg IVS, 이후 2시간 동안 90 mg 주입 (총 100 mg)
Actilyse dose: 60~65 kg - 10 mg IVS, 이후 2시간 동안 80 mg 주입 (총 90 mg)
Actilyse dose: 55~60 kg - 10 mg IVS, 이후 2시간 동안 70 mg 주입 (총 80 mg)
Actilyse dose: 50~55 kg - 10 mg IVS, 이후 2시간 동안 65 mg 주입 (총 75 mg)
Actilyse dose: 45~50 kg - 10 mg IVS, 이후 2시간 동안 55 mg 주입 (총 65 mg)
Actilyse dose: < 45 kg - 10 mg IVS, 이후 2시간 동안 50 mg 주입 (총 60 mg)

tissue-type plasminogen activator. <sup>a</sup>This is the accelerated regimen for rtPA in cases used in extreme haemodynamic instability such as cardiac arrest.

Strategy

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Volume optimization

Cautious volume loading, saline, or Ringer's lactate,  
≤500 mL over 15–30 min

Vasopressors and inotropes

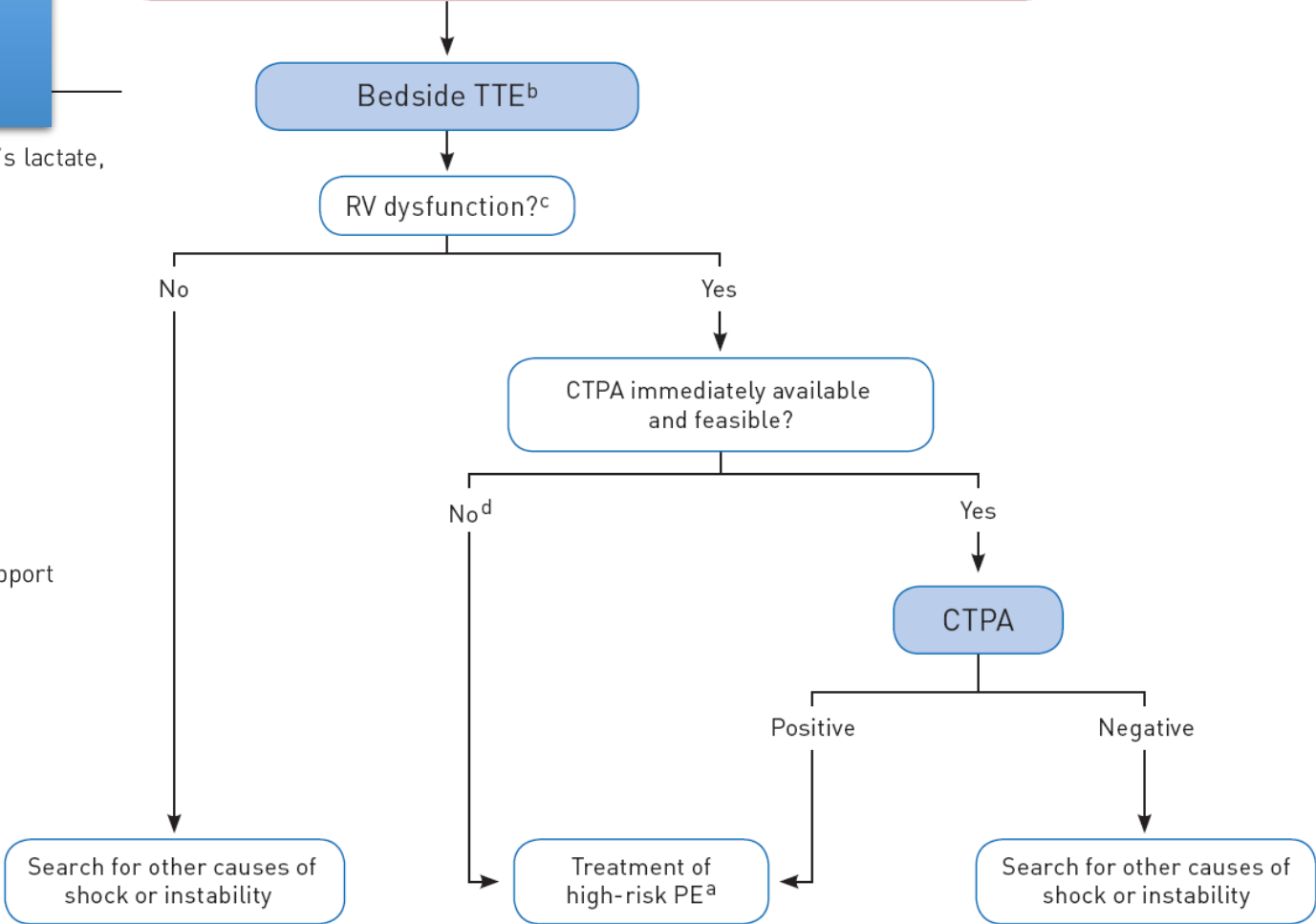
Norepinephrine, 0.2–1.0 µg/kg/min<sup>a</sup> [240]

Dobutamine, 2–20 µg/kg/min [241]

Mechanical circulatory support

Veno–arterial ECMO/extracorporeal life support  
[251, 252, 258]

Suspected PE in a patient with haemodynamic instability<sup>a</sup>



CT – not feasible

# 증례 2

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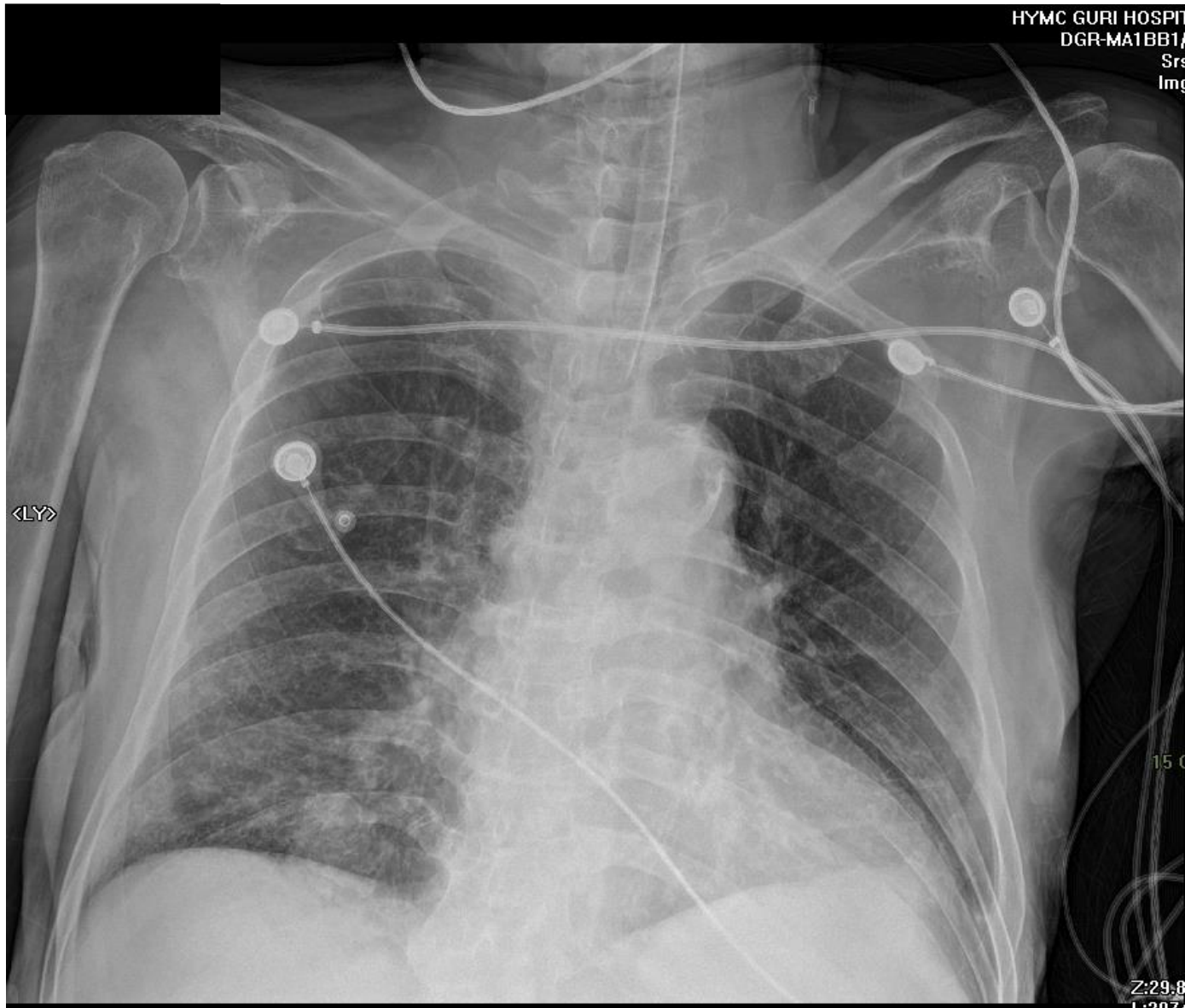
general weakness, nausea

Brief Hx:

1주 전부터 nocturia로 비뇨기과에서 minirin 복용 시작, hyponatremia로 신장내과 입원



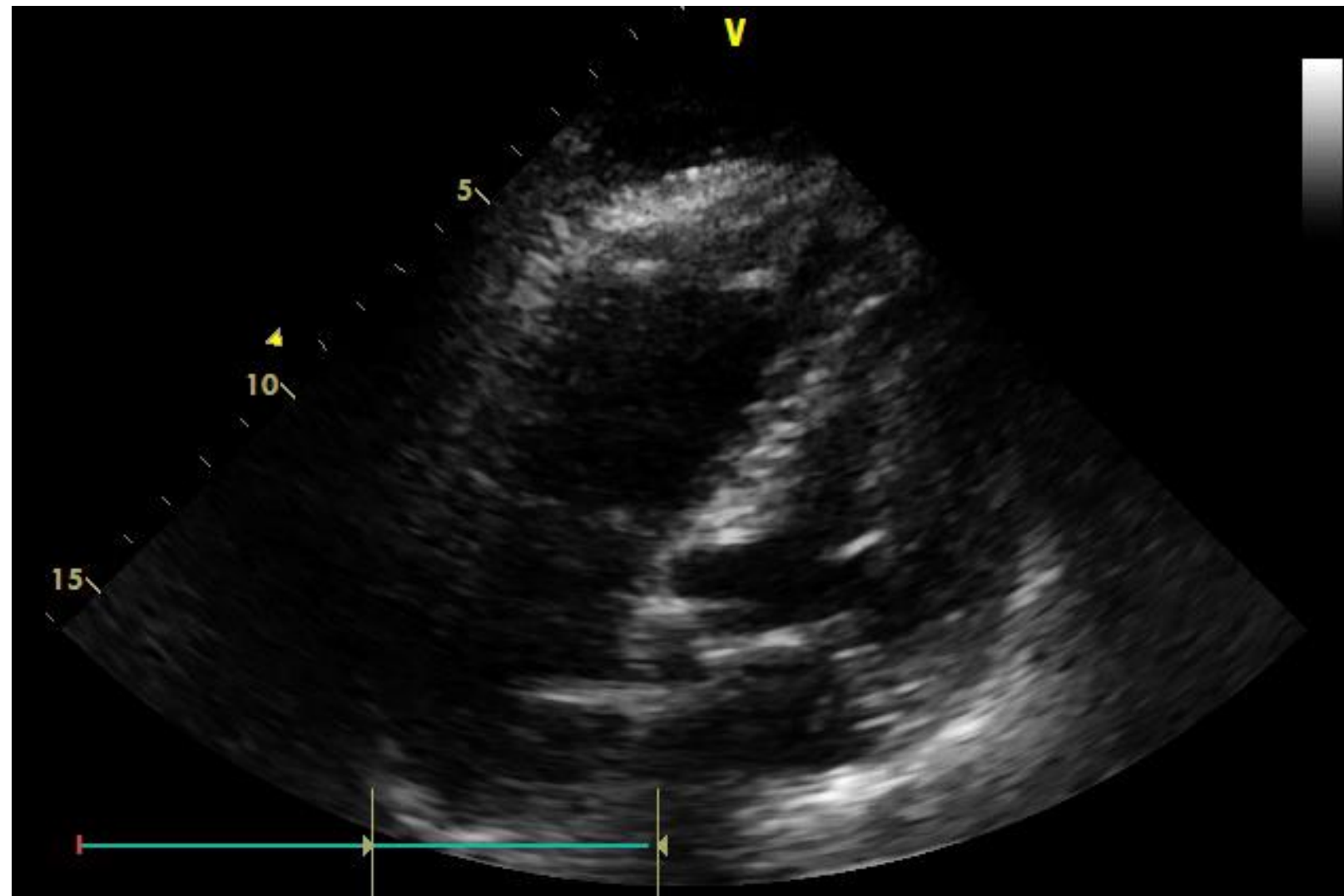
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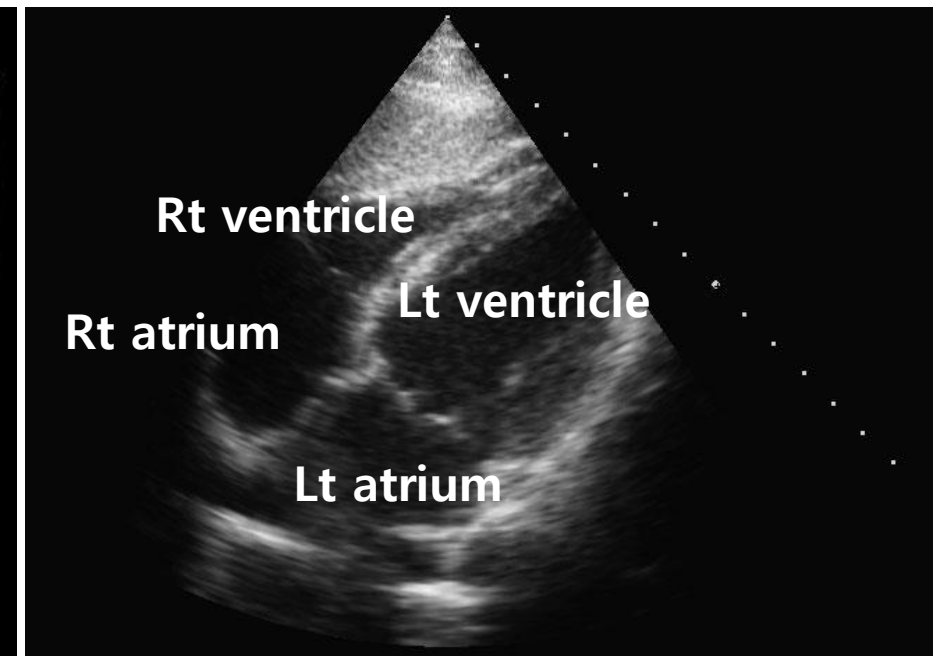
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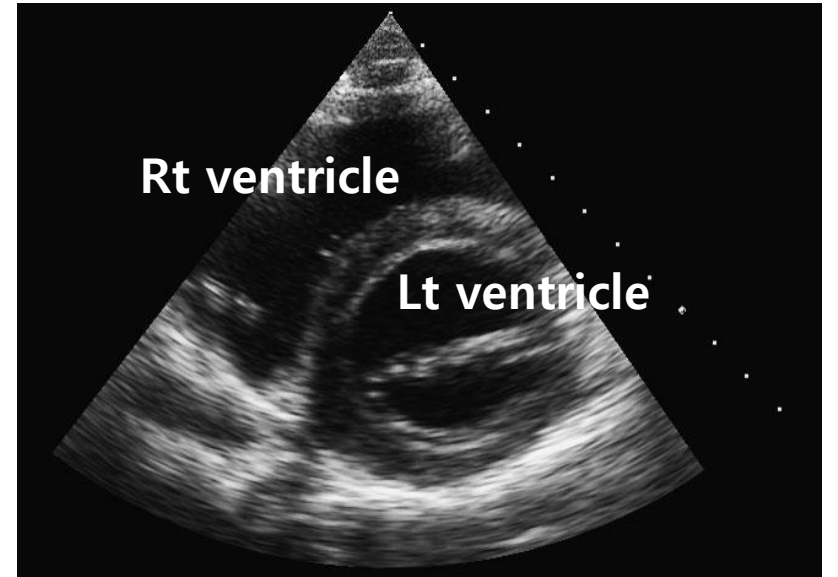
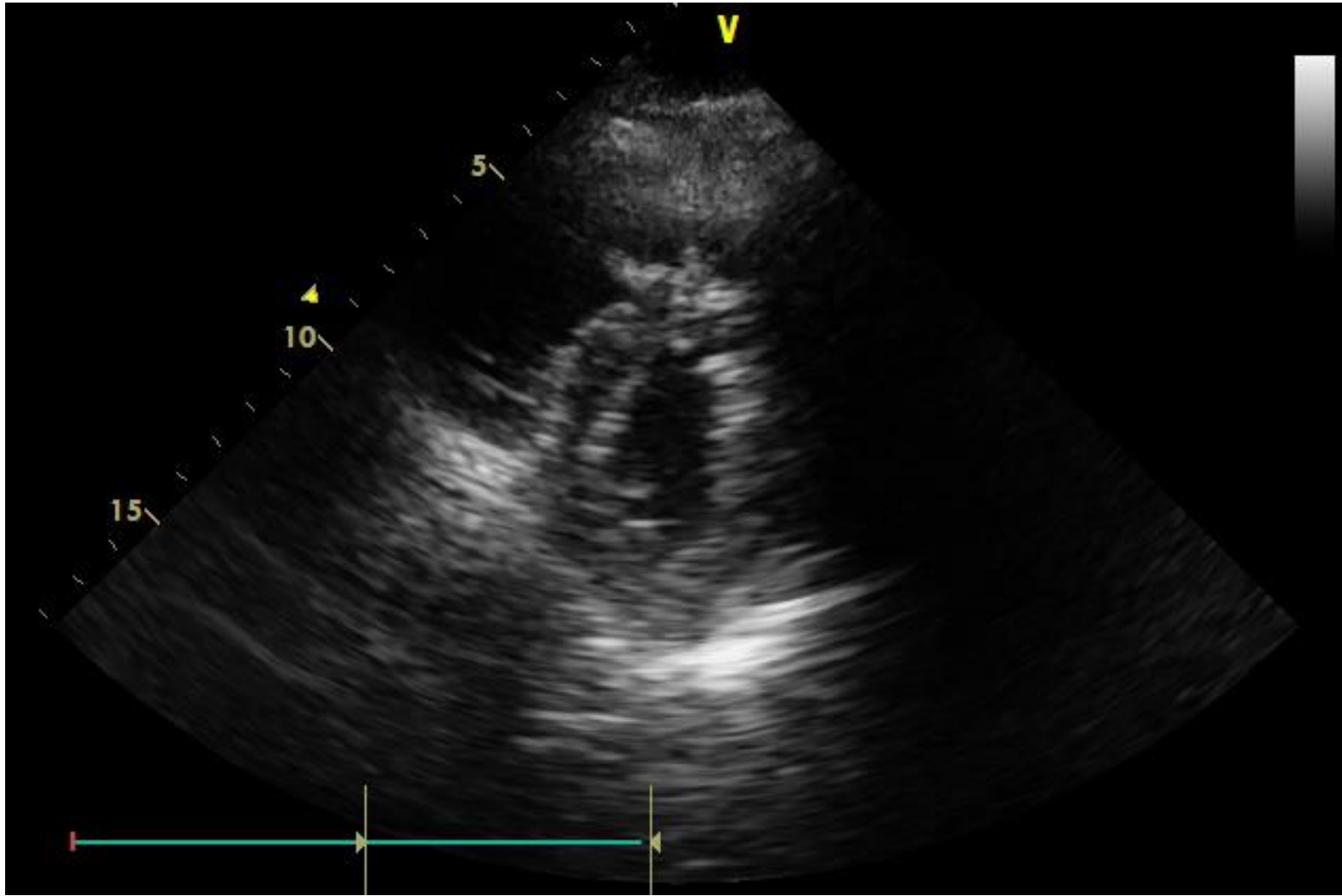
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**RV dilatation,  $RV > LV$**



**Normal RV: LV = 0.6: 1.0**



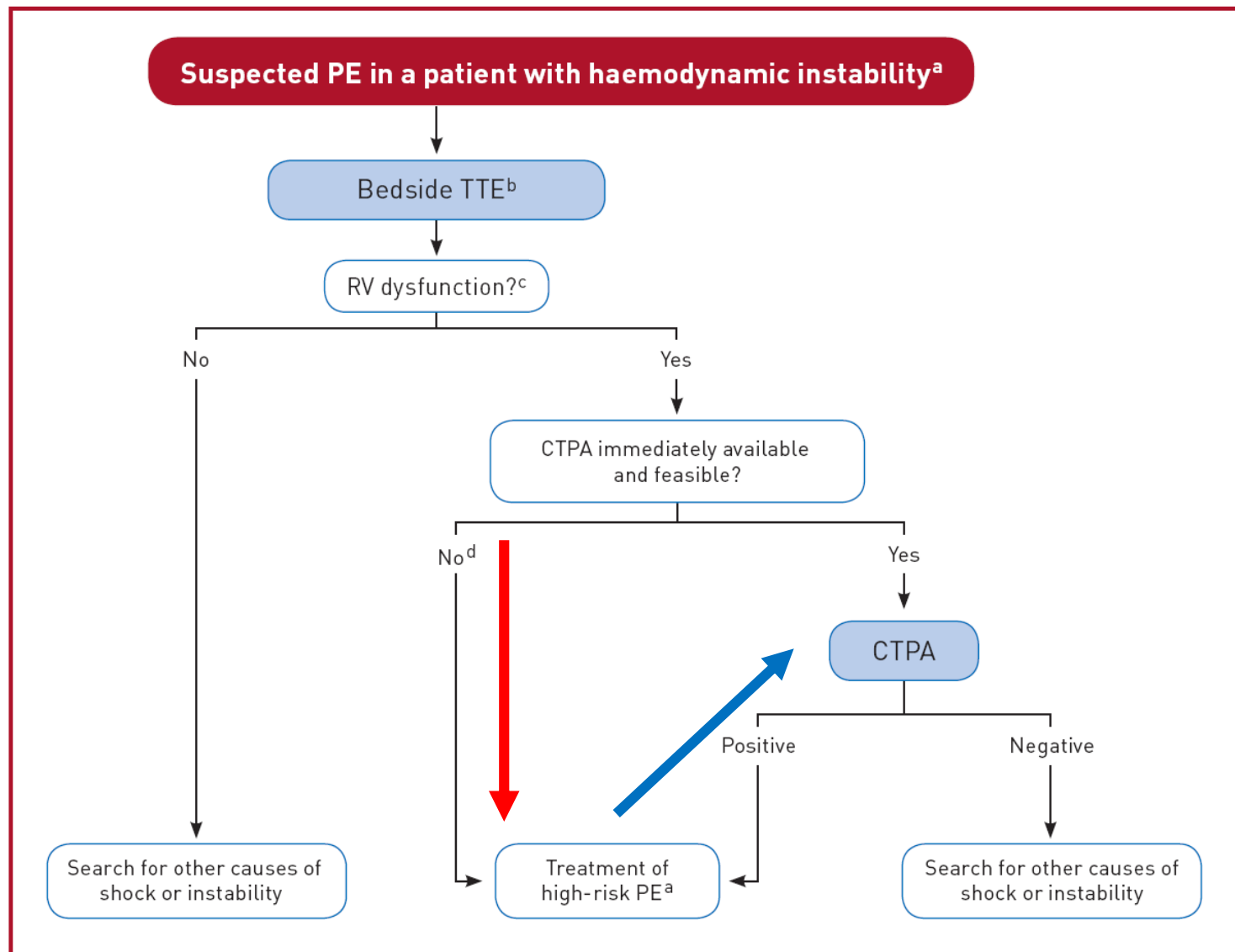
**RV dilatation, "D"-shaped LV**

# Lab Findings

- ABGA: 7.32 – 39.4 – 58.6 – 20.6
- Lactate: **4.8** [0.7 – 2.5]
- D-dimer: **>69,000** [0 – 250]
- CK-MB: 1.2 [0.3 – 4], Tnl: **0.04** [0 – 0.04]
- EKG: sinus tachycardia

# ICU Course

- Volume optimization: 0.9% NS 250 mL
- Norepinephrine
- Unfractionated heparin
- CT 촬영 및 thrombolysis 계획 중, 보호자 연명치료 모두 거부하여 사망



# 증례 3

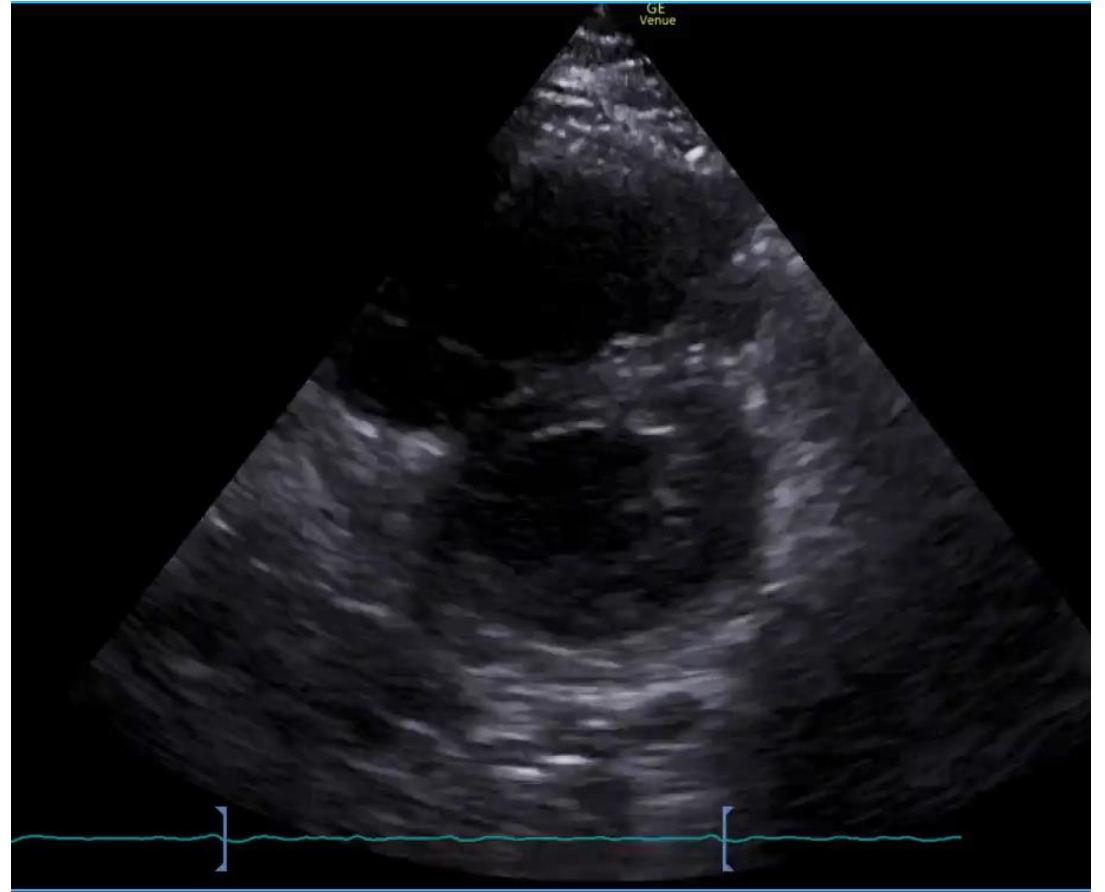
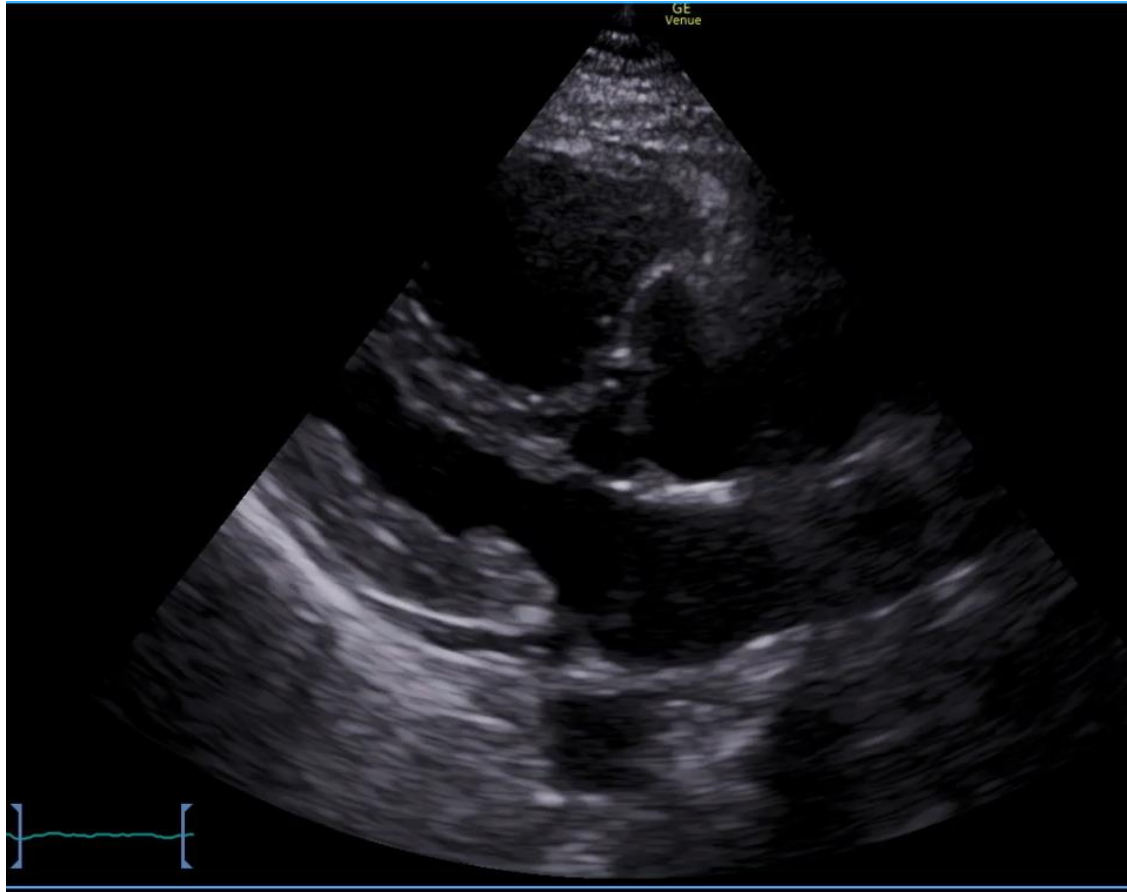
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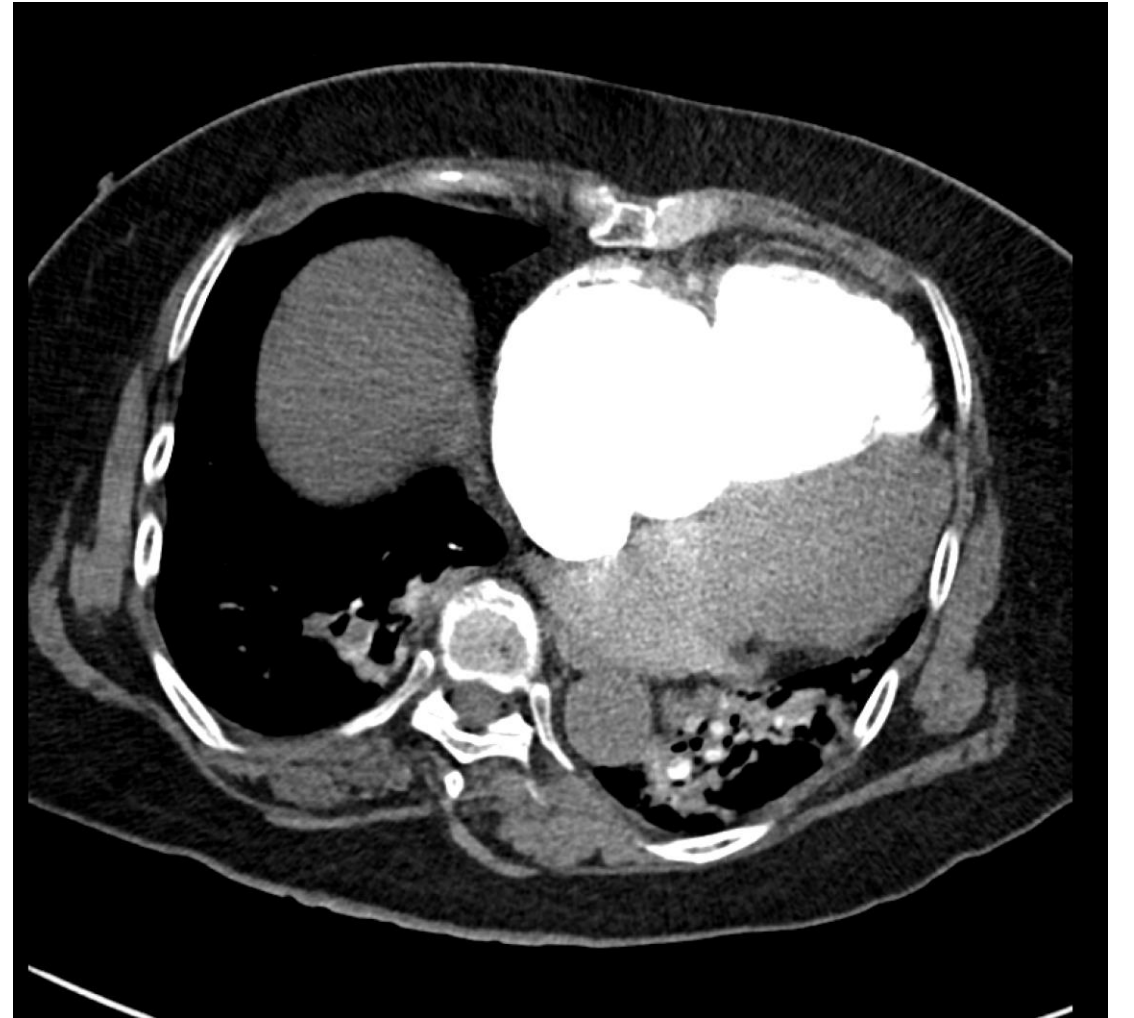
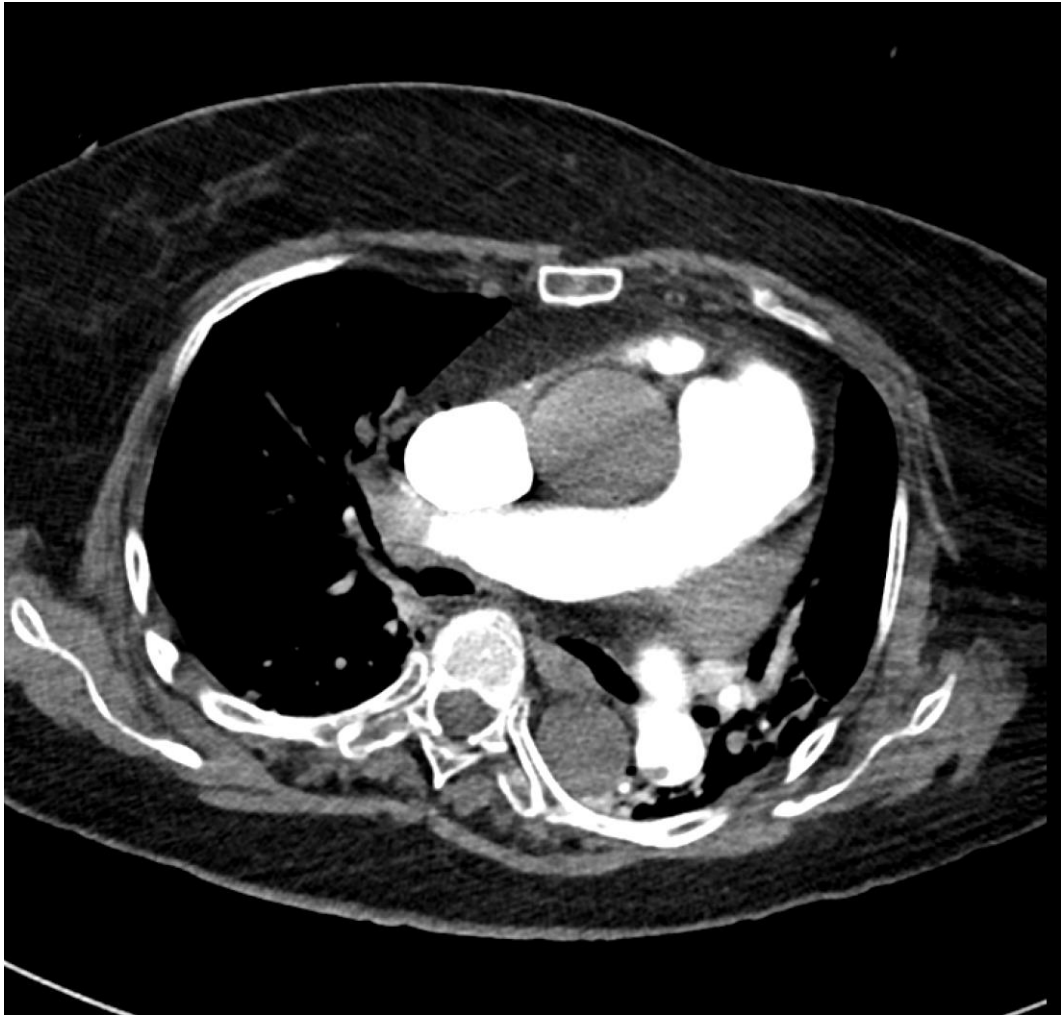
C/C:

dyspnea

Brief Hx:

광양에서 구리시 집까지 쉬지 않고 4시간 가량 운전해서 왔다고 함. 이후 호흡곤란, 의식 저하, 119 신고, ER 도착 후 arrest로 CPR





# Hospital Course

응급실에서 반복적인 arrest, CPR, ROSC 반복됨.

POCUS: RV dilatation 보여 촬영한 chest CT에서 massive pulmonary embolism 확인되어 tPA 50 mg 2차례 IV

ROSC 되었으나 심한 저혈압, 혼수상태 보이면서 중환자실 입실함.

중환자실에서 anoxic brain damage 소견

Norepinephrine, dobutamine, epinephrine으로도 혈압 유지되지 않아 다음 날 사망

**Suspected PE in a patient with haemodynamic instability<sup>a</sup>**

**Strategy**

**Volume optimization**

Cautious volume loading, saline, or Ringer's lactate, ≤500 mL over 15–30 min

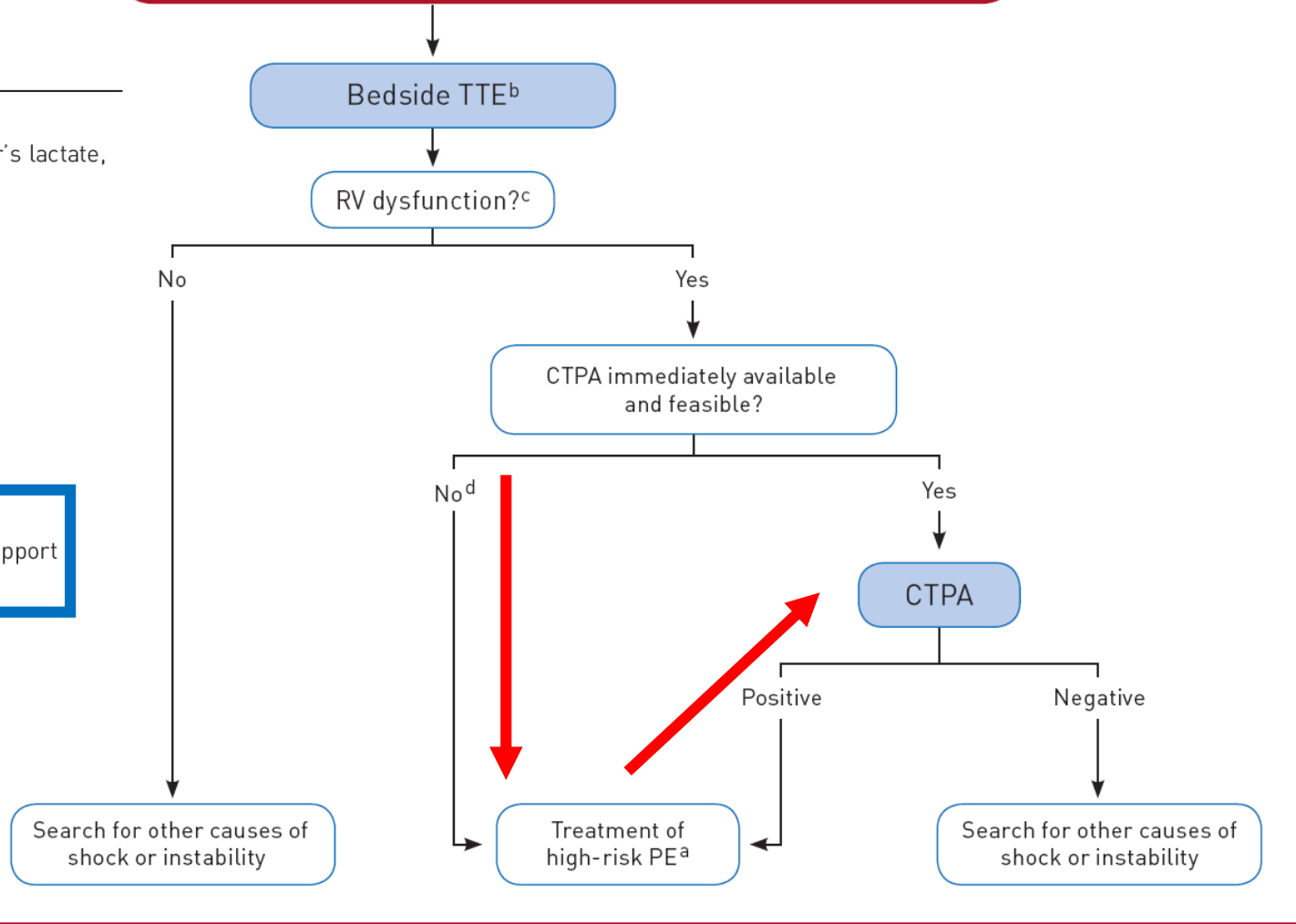
**Vasopressors and inotropes**

Norepinephrine, 0.2–1.0 µg/kg/min<sup>a</sup> [240]

Dobutamine, 2–20 µg/kg/min [241]

**Mechanical circulatory support**

Veno–arterial ECMO/extracorporeal life support [251, 252, 258]




# 증례 4


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## ■ 수술 기본정보

수술일 : 2024-01-03

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마취방법 : General

## ■ 수술전 진단명

Adenomyosis

## ■ 수술후 진단명

Adenomyosis

## ■ 수술명

단일공자궁절제술

## ■ 수술중 특이사항

없음

## ■ 수술소견

Uterus: 14 weeks sized enlarged,  
2 cm sized myoma visible on anterior portion  
Adnexa : both free  
Adhesion: between left adnexa and sigmoid colon  
between uterus serosa and bladder  
No Ascites was seen.

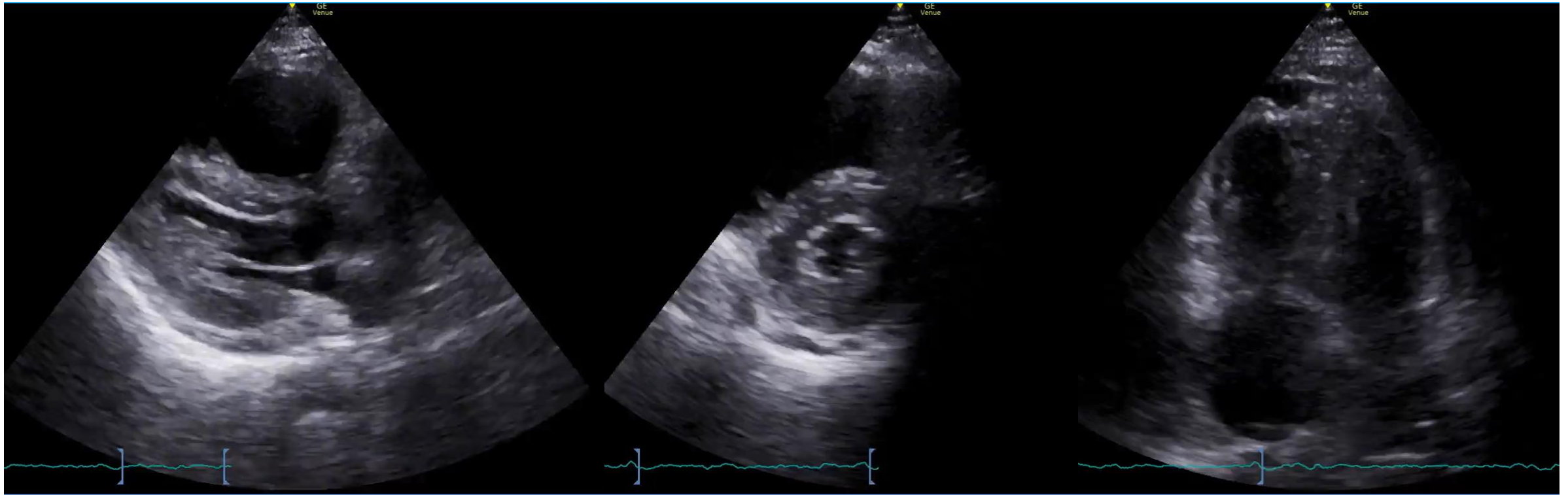


산부인과 교수님 → 아침 일찍 다급한 전화 (혈압이 떨어진다)

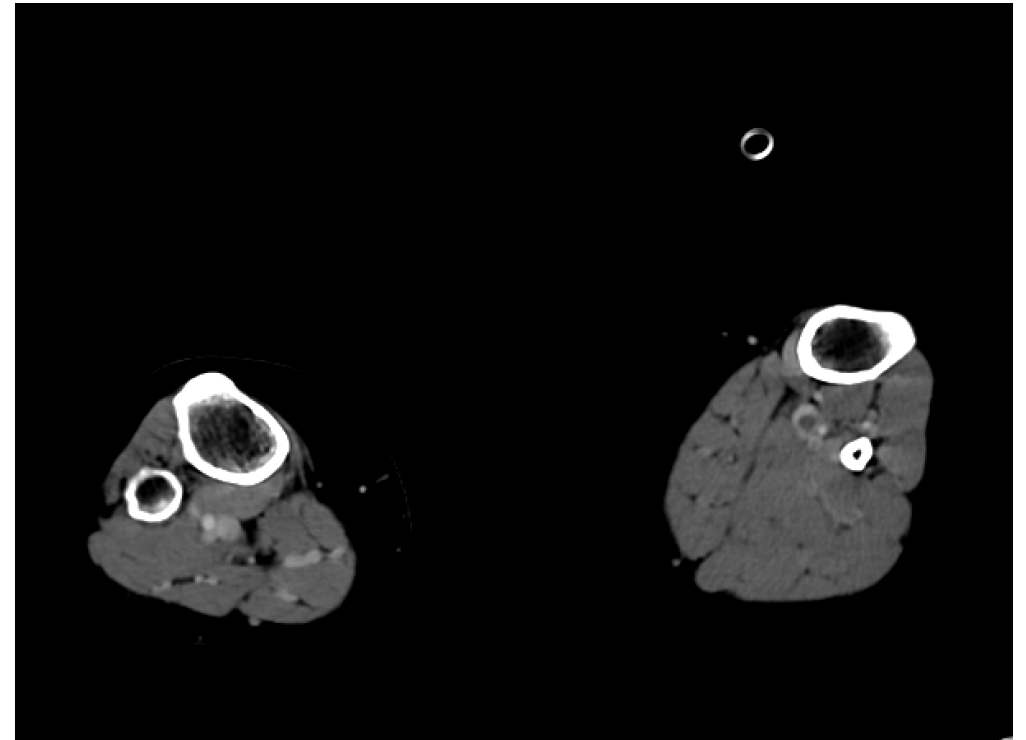
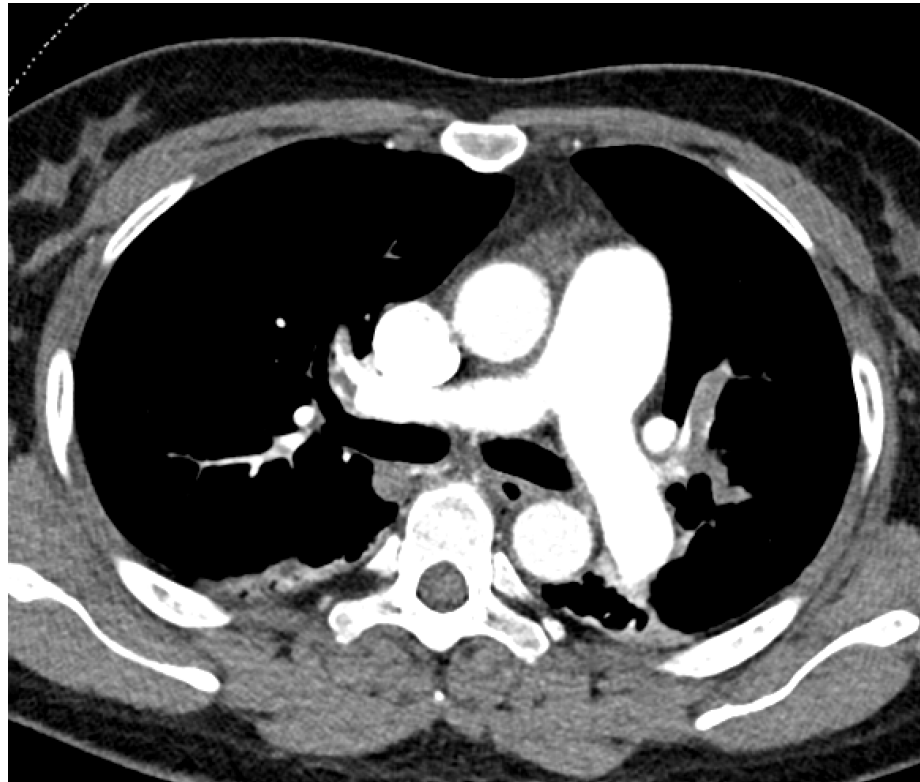
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01-04 06:00	SR	잘잠
01-04 06:34	SR	Total I/O 1700/970(+730) checked Dr고재연 알림 (rec"Foley remove 해주세요")
01-04 06:45	SR	Foley remove 시행함 I/O check 계속해야과 CIC 해야됨을 교육함, 11AM까지 Self voiding 보도록 하고 voiding 시 알리도록 함
01-04 07:10	SR	응급 콜벨 울려 자리 가보니 환자 lip cyanosis 증상 진행 상태며 얼굴 fail한 모습 보임 Self voiding 위해 화장실 가려고 일어났다가 자리에 온후 갑자기 가숨
01-04 07:12	SR	Nasal O2 5L apply 상태나 SPO2상 80-81% checked 지속적인 chest discomport 호소함 dr. [redacted] 알림 (rec"EKG portable 찍고 교수님 noti하겠습니다")
01-04 07:13	SR	spo2 89%, BP:60/40mmHg checked, O2 Reserve bag full inhalation 시작함 confuse 한 모습 보이며 계속 휠설수설함. EKG patient monitor apply함
01-04 07:14	SR	SPO2 88%, BP:60/42mmHg checked
01-04 07:17	SR	Spo2 89%, BP 67/46mmHg checked
01-04 07:25	SR	Prof [redacted] 환자상태봄
01-04 07:29	SR	Dr [redacted] 환자상태봄

01-04 07:39	SR	처치실로 환자옮김 Bed EKG monitor apply 함 HR:135회/min, SPO2:98%, BP:50/40mmHg checked Dr박태선 exam함 5DW 큐프린 mix fluid 5cc/hr infusior
01-04 07:41	SR	RRT옴 intubation hold 하고 High flow MICU에서 빌려 100% 60L apply 함
01-04 07:48	SR	Portable ECHO 시행후 PTE 확인함
01-04 07:49	SR	Heparin 5000 iv 1cc shooting함
01-04 07:56	SR	Heparin mix fluid 20cc/hr infusion시작함
01-04 07:57	SR	BP:60/50mmHg SPO2:95% checked 큐프린 20cc mix된 fluid 20cc/hr change함
01-04 07:59	SR	Bivon 3a iv함
01-04 08:02	SR	Actilyse 50mg 10mg은 iv하고 40mg은 20cc/hr infusion시작함 VPC 있다가 바로사라짐, cyanosis관찰됨 High flow 100% 60L apply함 HR:160회/min, SPO2:96% checked

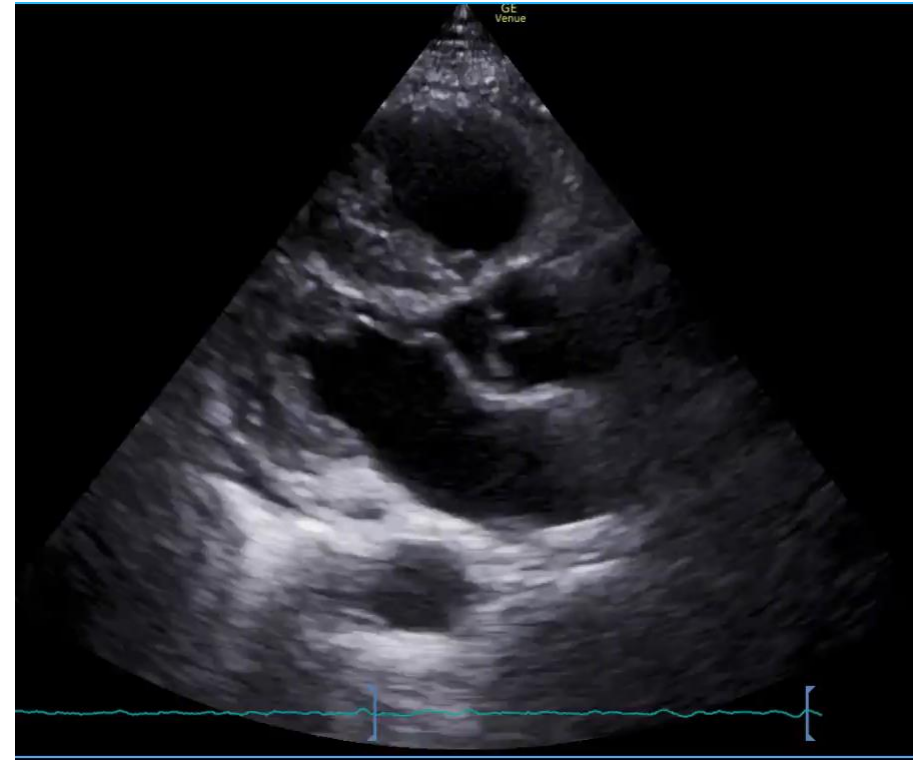
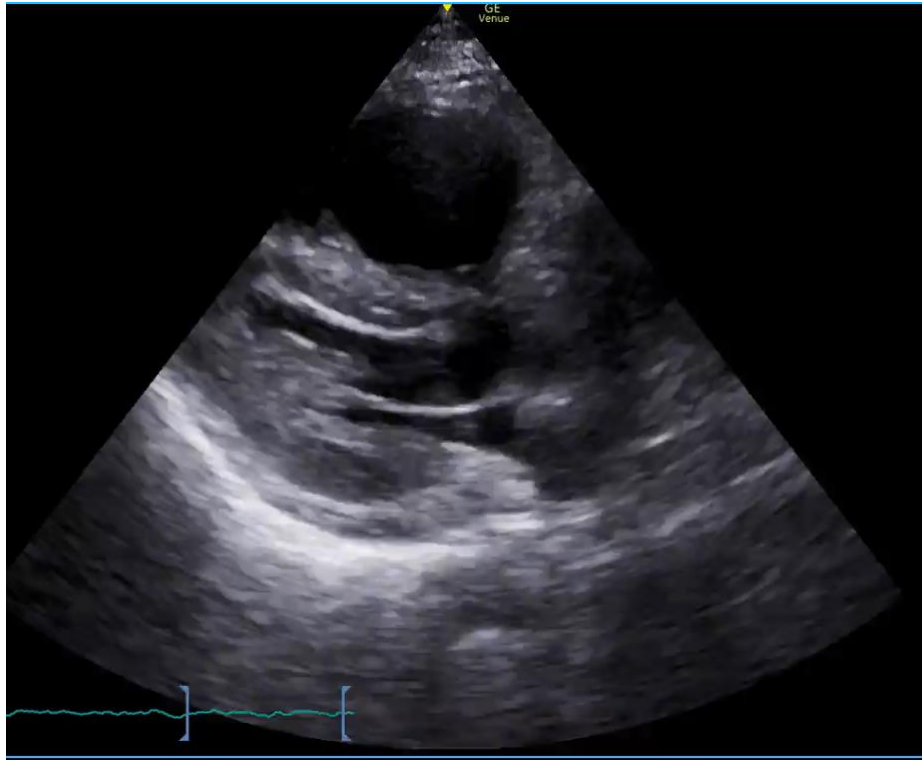
rtPA 50 mg  
(half dose)

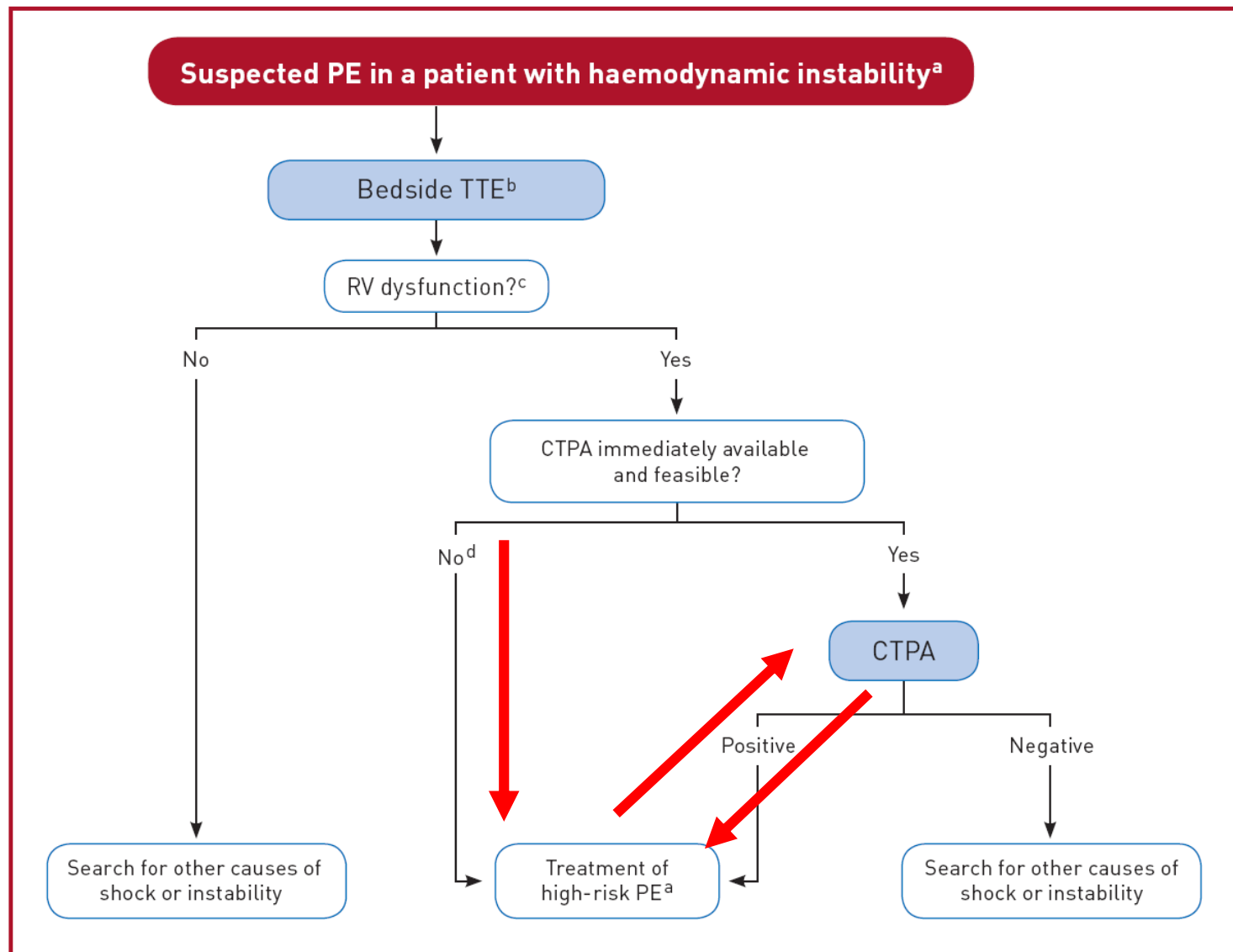


01-04 08:20	SR	Portable sono 확인하며 Rt Jugular catheter insertion함 by Dr 박태선 pressure로 리거지 되어 Plasma, NS 1L 20cc/hr로 kept 함 Rt arm 18G actilyse appl!
01-04 08:25	SR	RBC 준비되었으나 지금당장은 hold 하자함
01-04 08:43	SR	Foley catheter 16fr insertion함
01-04 08:45	SR	Lt dorsal A-line insertion후 heparin mix fluid _pressure bag apply함
01-04 08:54	SR	prof 류기영 중환자실 입실 동의서, CT angiography CE, CT angiography CE PTE/DVT동시받음
01-04 09:06	SR	Actilyse 40mg 20cc/hr, Q-phrine 20cc/hr pump로 유지, High flow대신 reserve full로 하여 CT 촬영 위해 1층 CT실 내려감 방문후 MICU 전동예정임



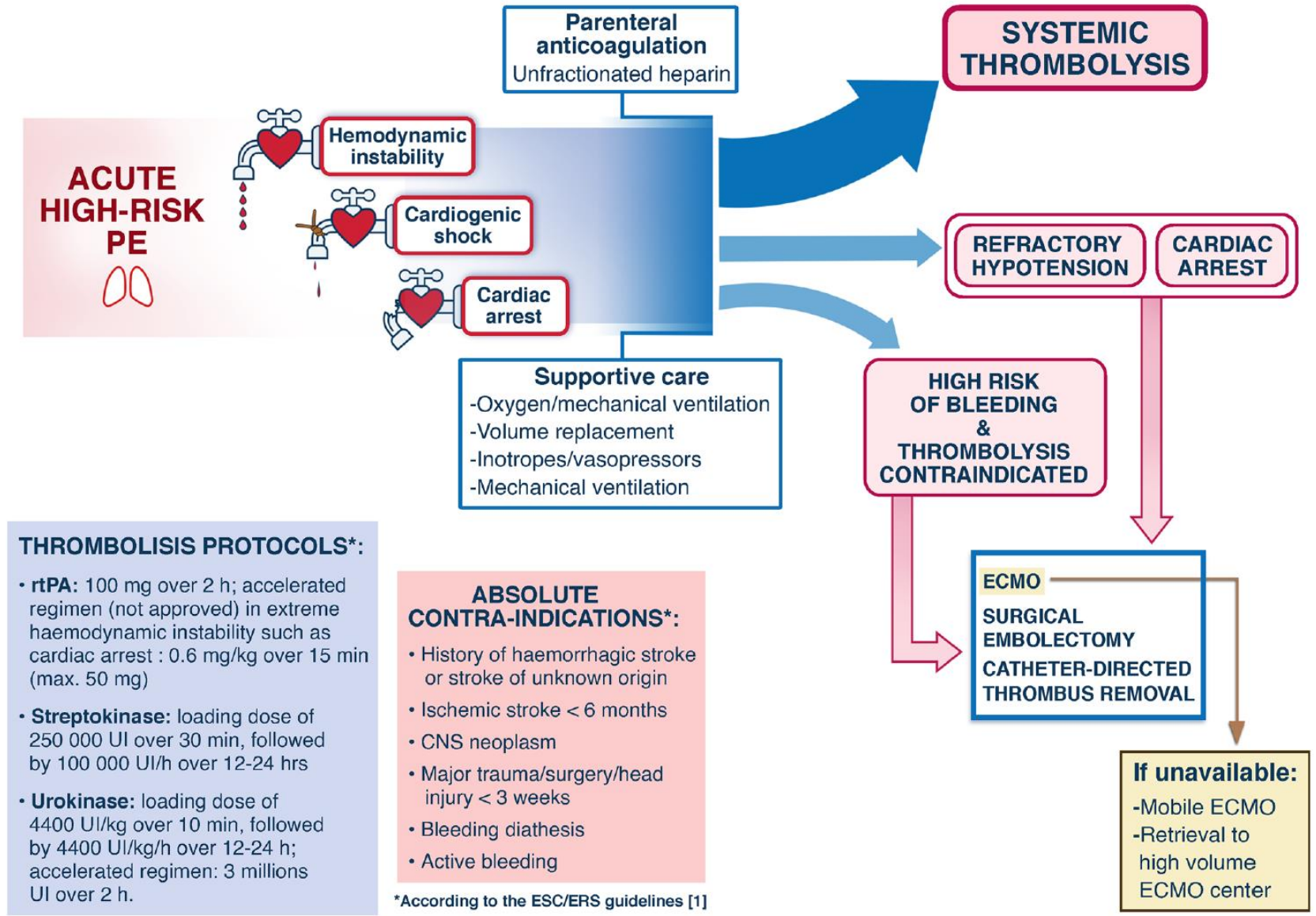
하루 지나고 나서...





Molecule	Regimen	Contraindications to fibrinolysis
<b>rtPA</b>	100 mg over 2 h 0.6 mg/kg over 15 min (maximum dose 50 mg) <sup>a</sup>	<p><b>Absolute</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>History of haemorrhagic stroke or stroke of unknown origin</li> <li>Ischaemic stroke in previous 6 months</li> <li>Central nervous system neoplasm</li> <li>Major trauma, surgery, or head injury in previous 3 weeks</li> <li>Bleeding diathesis</li> <li>Active bleeding</li> </ul> <p><b>Relative</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Transient ischaemic attack in previous 6 months</li> <li>Oral anticoagulation</li> <li>Pregnancy or first post-partum week</li> <li>Non-compressible puncture sites</li> <li>Traumatic resuscitation</li> <li>Refractory hypertension (systolic BP &gt;180 mmHg)</li> <li>Advanced liver disease</li> <li>Infective endocarditis</li> <li>Active peptic ulcer</li> </ul>
<b>Streptokinase</b>	250 000 IU as a loading dose over 30 min, followed by 100 000 IU/h over 12–24 h Accelerated regimen: 1.5 million IU over 2 h	
<b>Urokinase</b>	4400 IU/kg as a loading dose over 10 min, followed by 4400 IU/kg/h over 12–24 h Accelerated regimen: 3 million IU over 2 h	

BP: blood pressure; IU: international units; rtPA, recombinant tissue-type plasminogen activator. <sup>a</sup>This is the accelerated regimen for rtPA in pulmonary embolism; it is not officially approved, but it is sometimes used in extreme haemodynamic instability such as cardiac arrest.



High-risk pulmonary embolism in the intensive care unit.  
Intensive Care Med (2023)

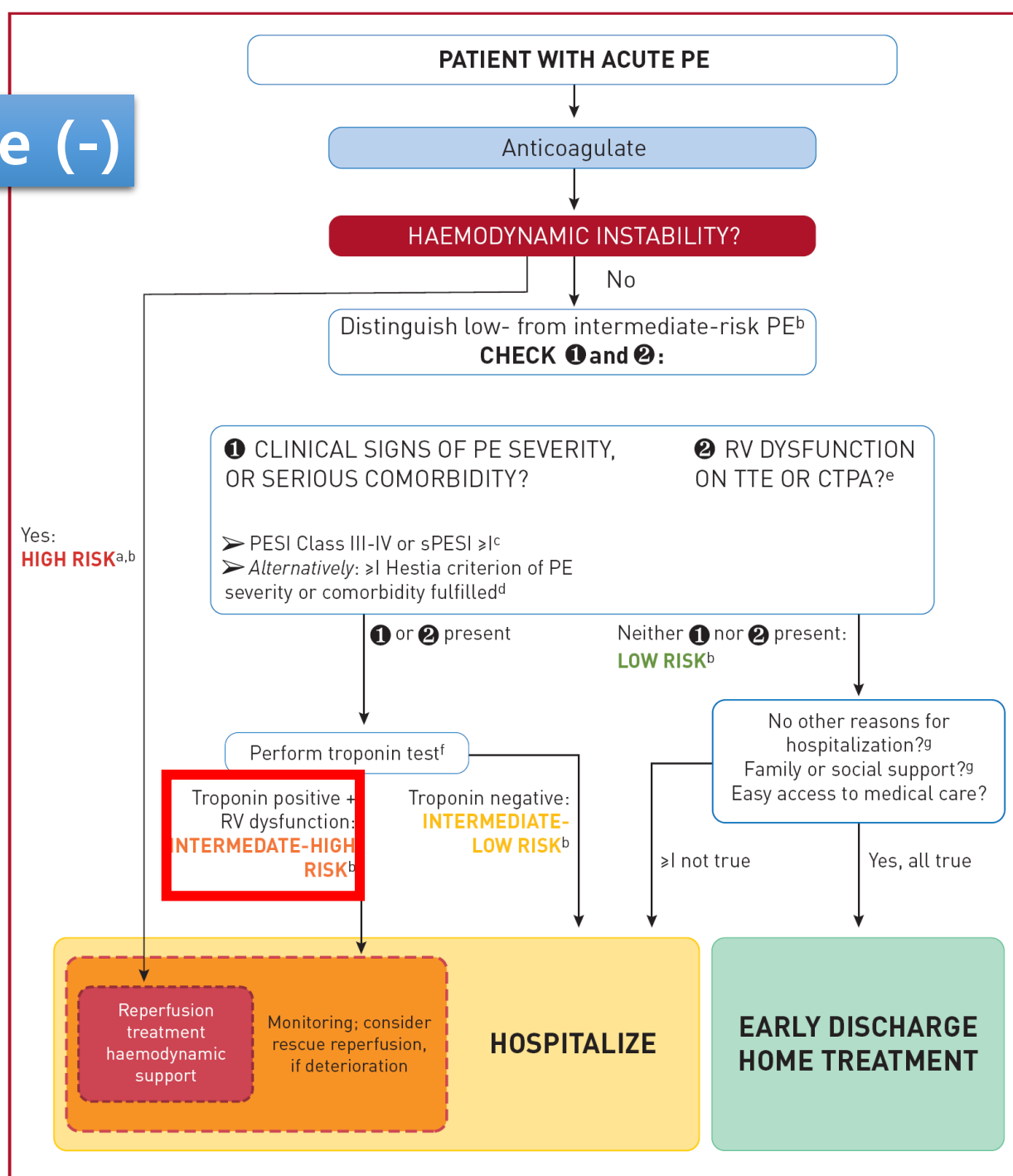
# **Management of Intermediate-High Risk PE**

Hemodynamic collapse (-)

RV dysfunction (+)  
Troponin (+)

Close monitoring  
If "deterioration",  
→ reperfusion

시점 결정이 쉽지 않음



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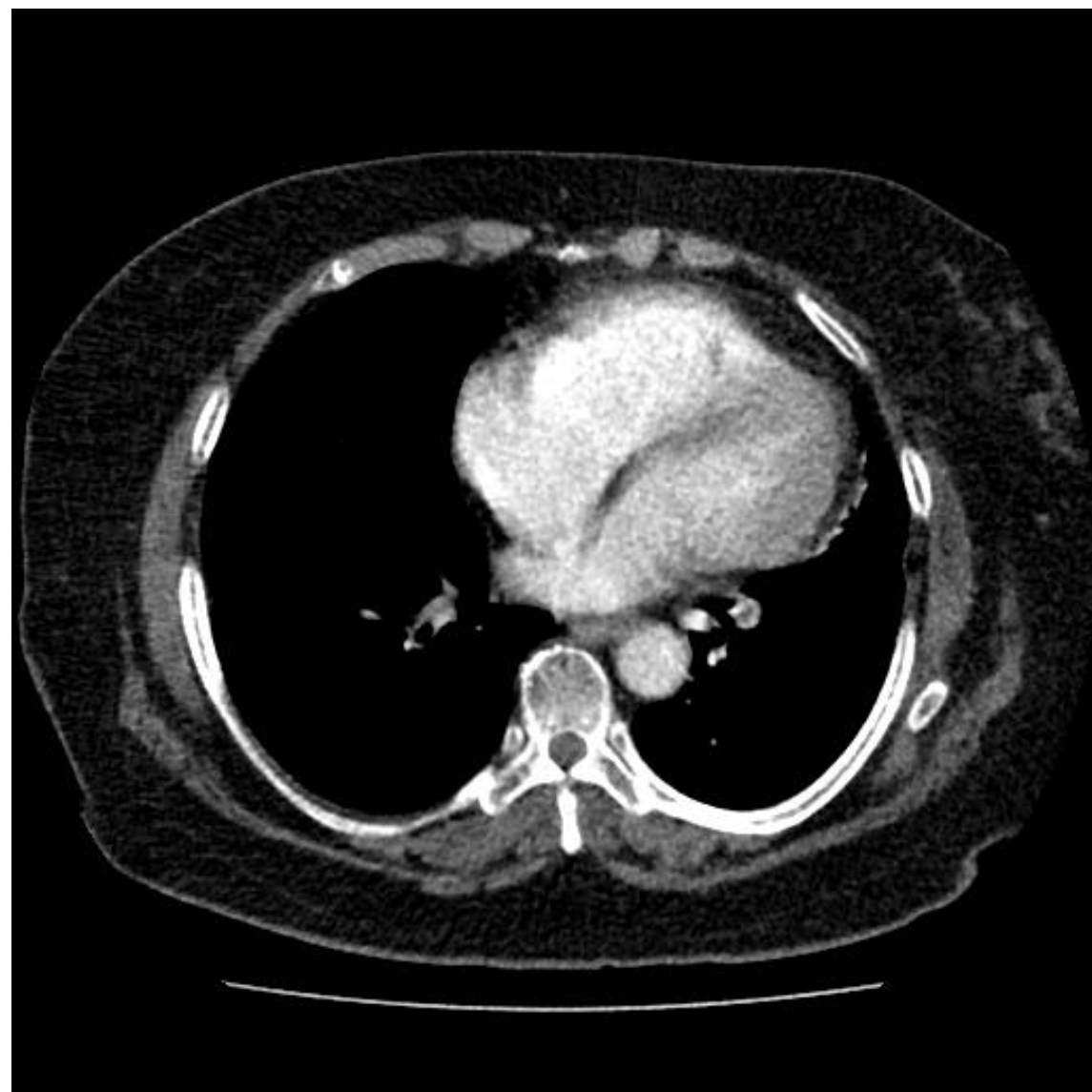
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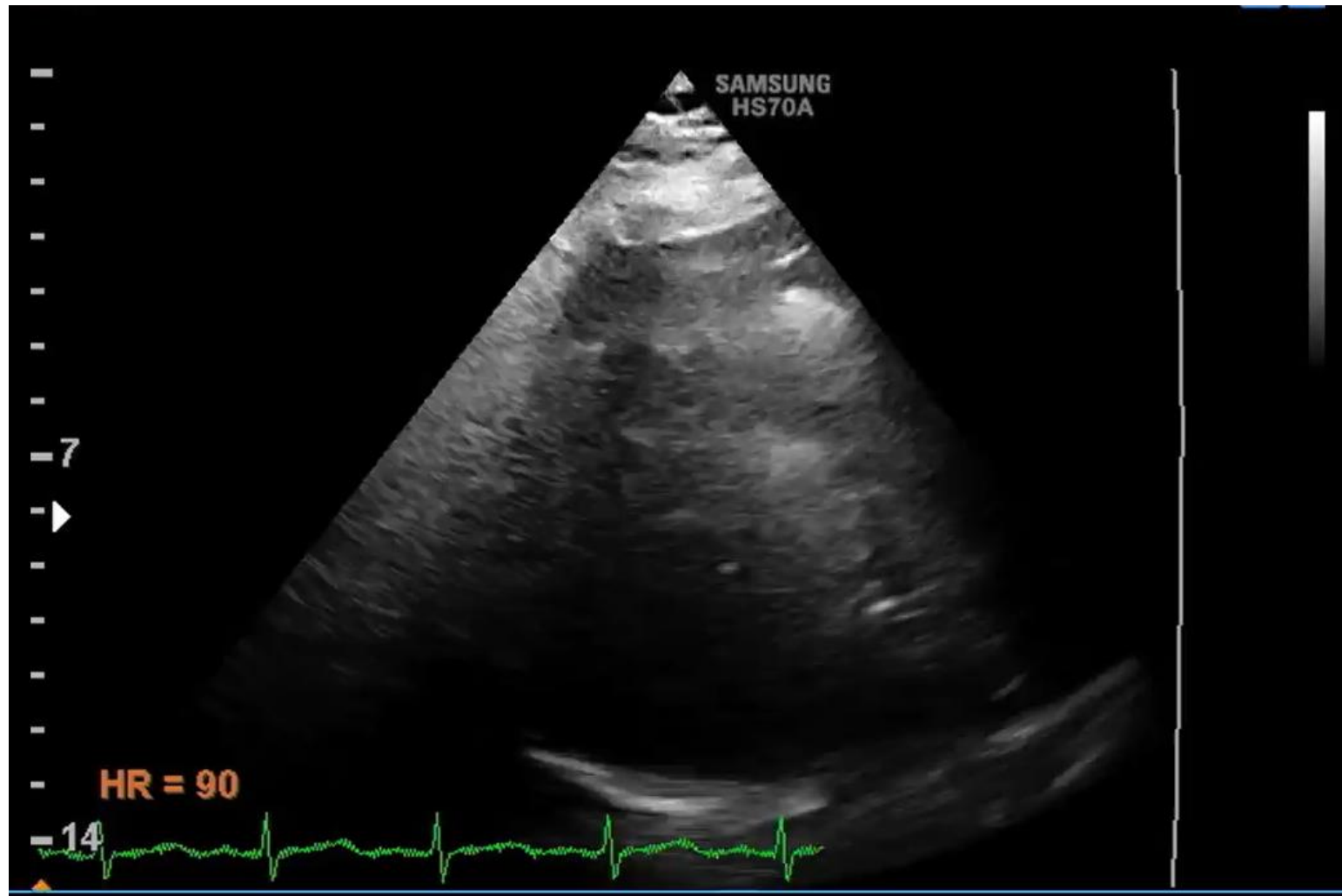


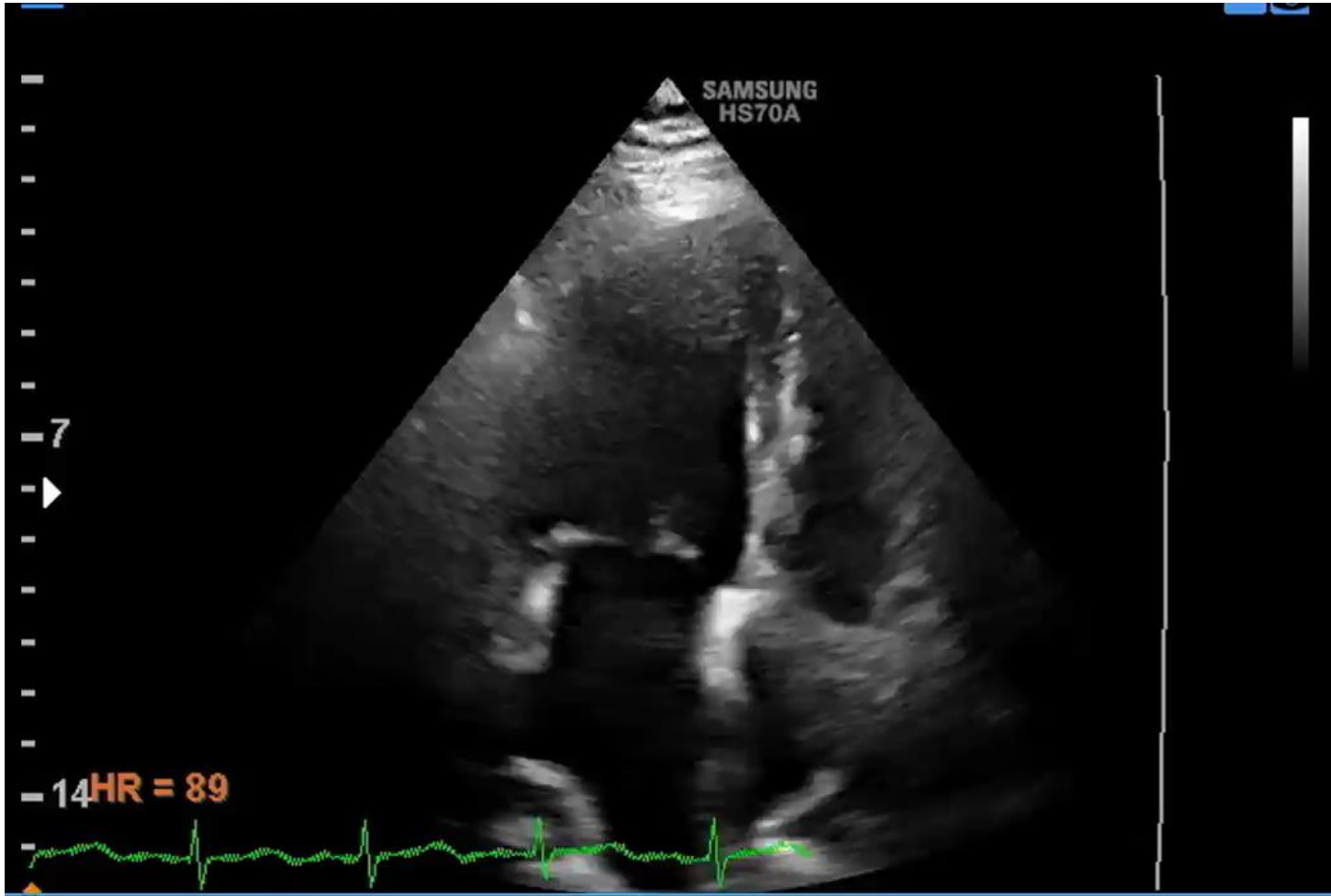
C/C: dyspnea

Brief Hx: 집에서 4륜 오토바이 타고 가다 넘어져서 요즘 많이 누워지내던 중 호흡곤란 발생하여 응급실 통해 입원

V/S: **135/73 mmHg** – 96 /min – 20 /min – 36.4 °C





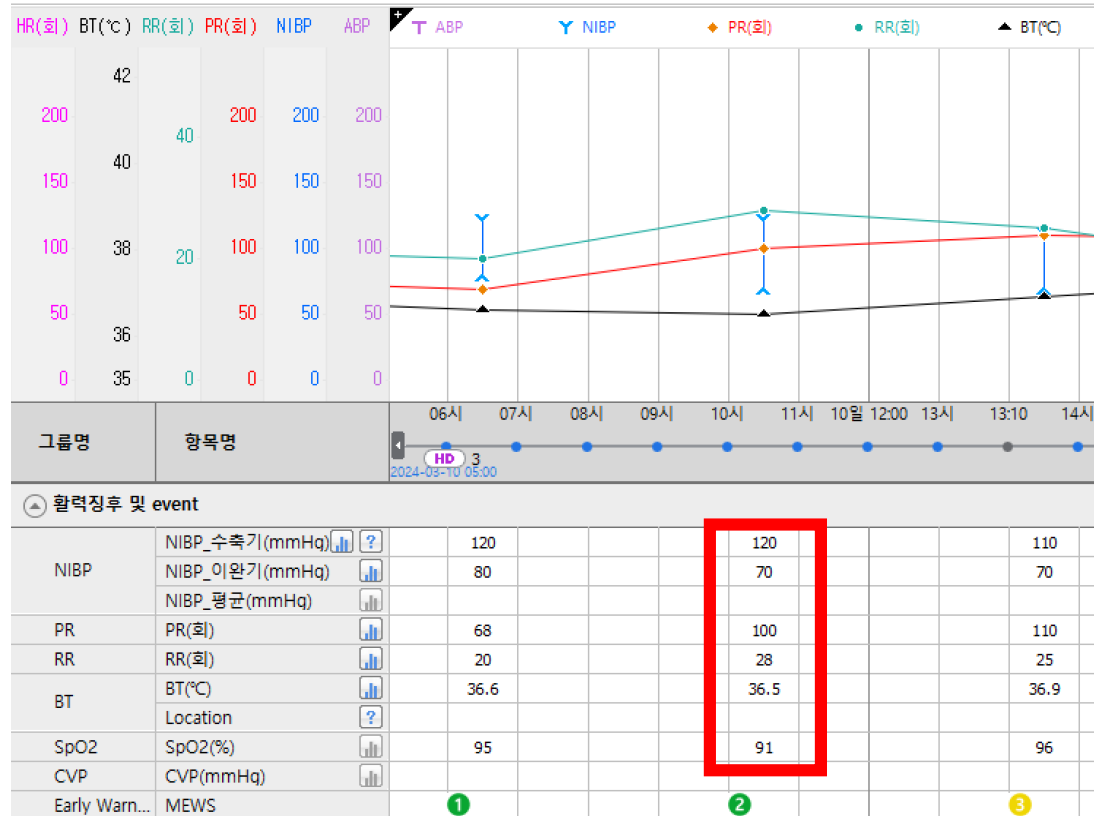


TnI 0.103 (+)

GW admission

LMWH

# HD #2 – Aggravation of Dyspnea



rtPA 60 mg

# 증례 6

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C/C: dyspnea

Brief Hx: 내원 당일 갑자기 숨 쉬기 힘들다고 하여 응급실 방문

V/S: **119/80 mmHg** – 117 /min– 18 /min – 36.2 °C

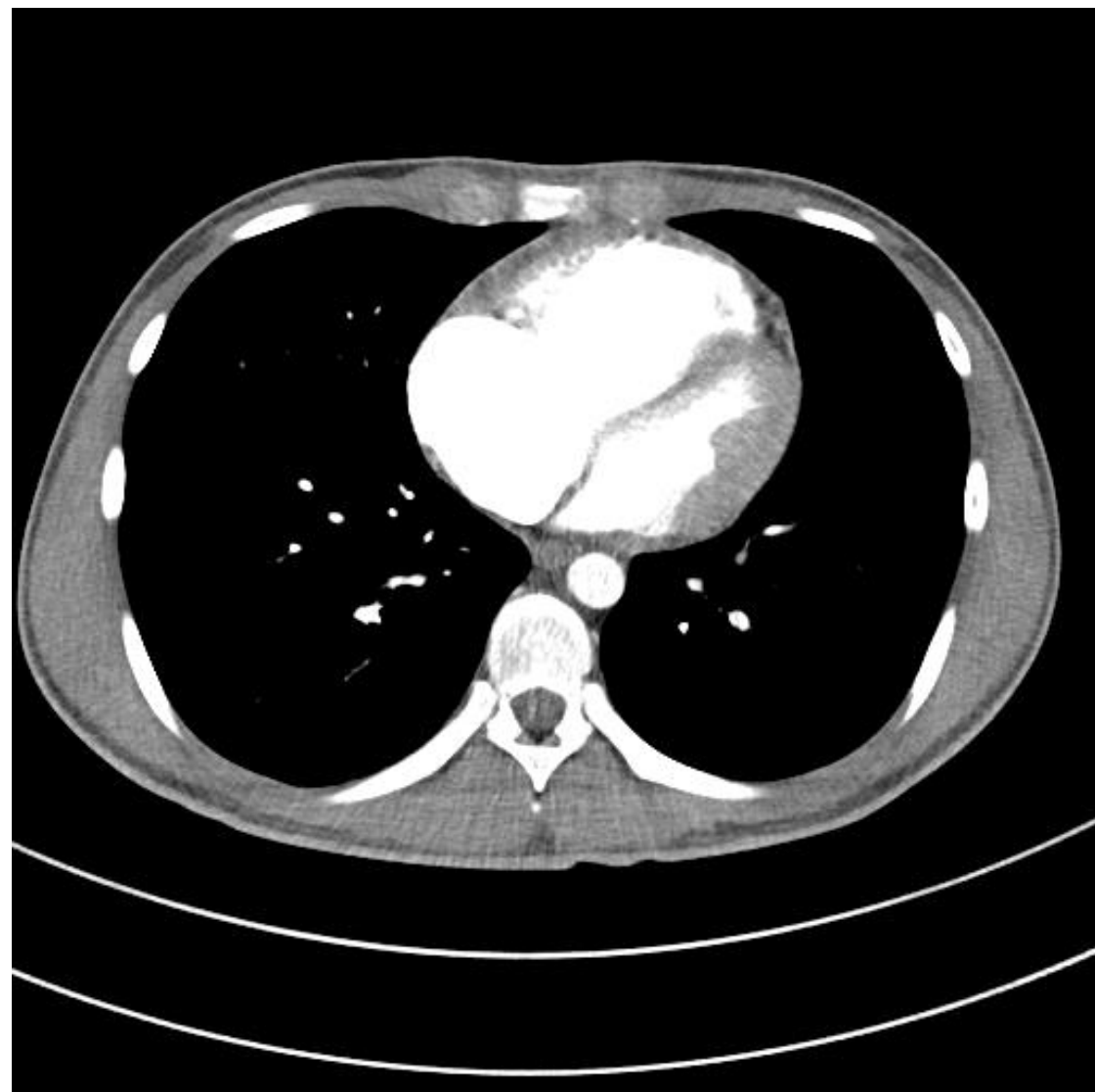
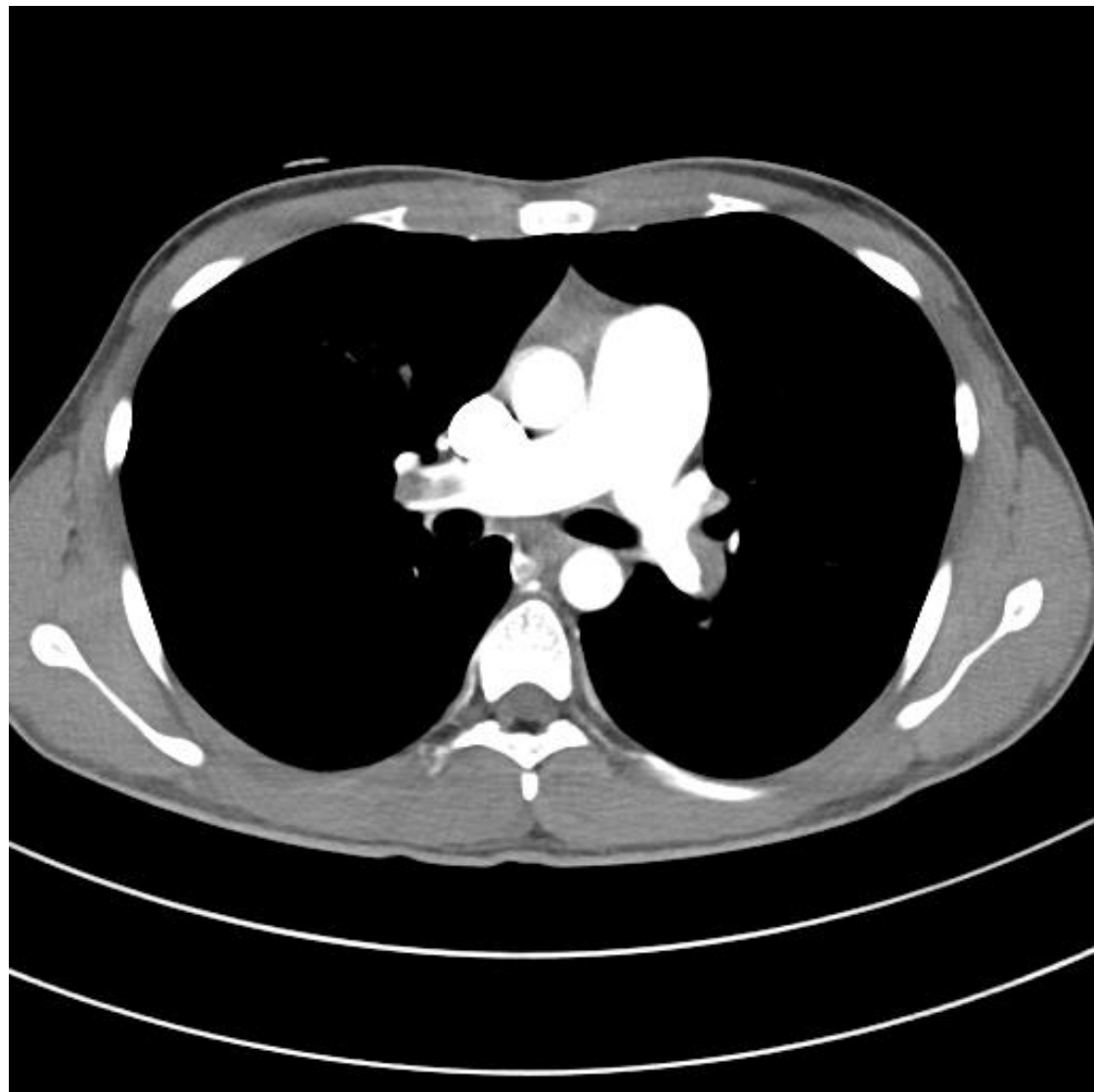
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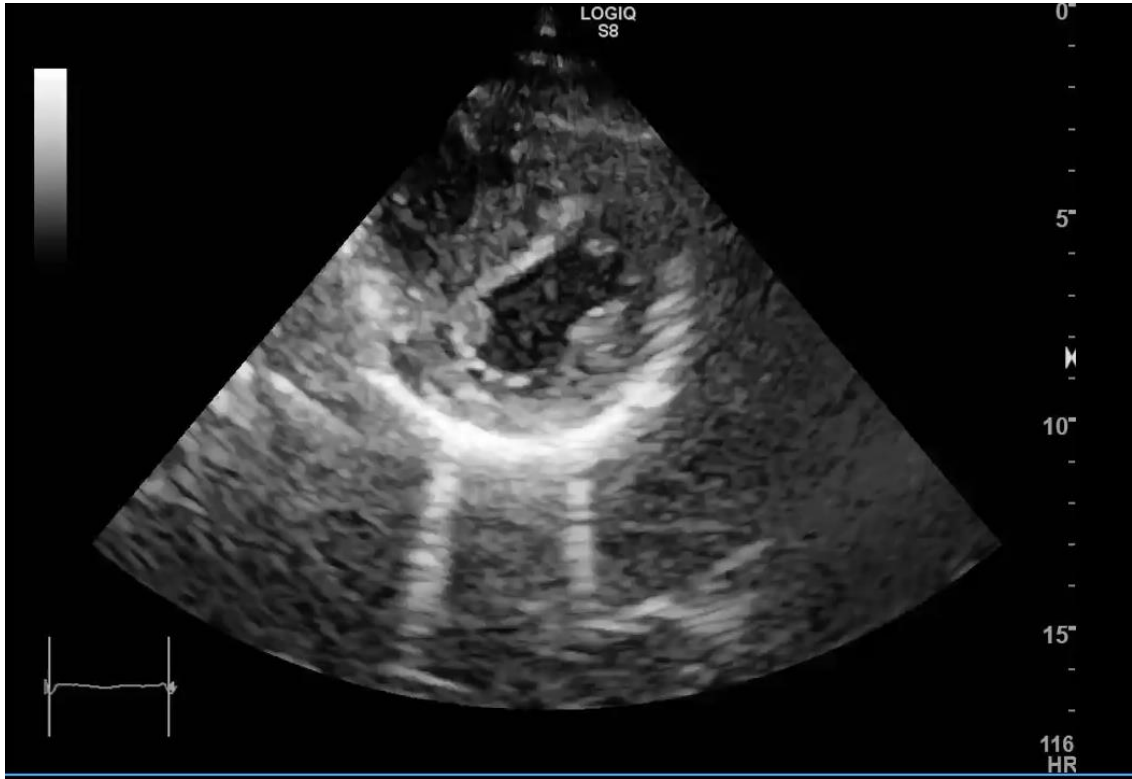
15:13 환자 응급의료센터 내원함

16:08 D-dimer 2864 [0 – 250]

TnI 0.055 [0 – 0.029]

16:33 CT 촬영함





# ER record

15:13 환자 응급의료센터 내원함

16:08 D-dimer 2864 [0 – 250]

TnI 0.055 [0 – 0.029]

16:33 CT 촬영함

17:27 Enoxaparin 60 mg SC

19:57 ICU 입원 대기 중 cardiac arrest

20:24 rtPA 100 mg

20:48 ROSC – Arrest 반복, ROSC 유지되기 시작

21:42 V/S: 82/60 mmHg – 128 /min, ICU adm 후 VA ECMO

# 증례 6의 교훈

DTD 이론

Down Team is Down



RV Dysfunction to Deterioration

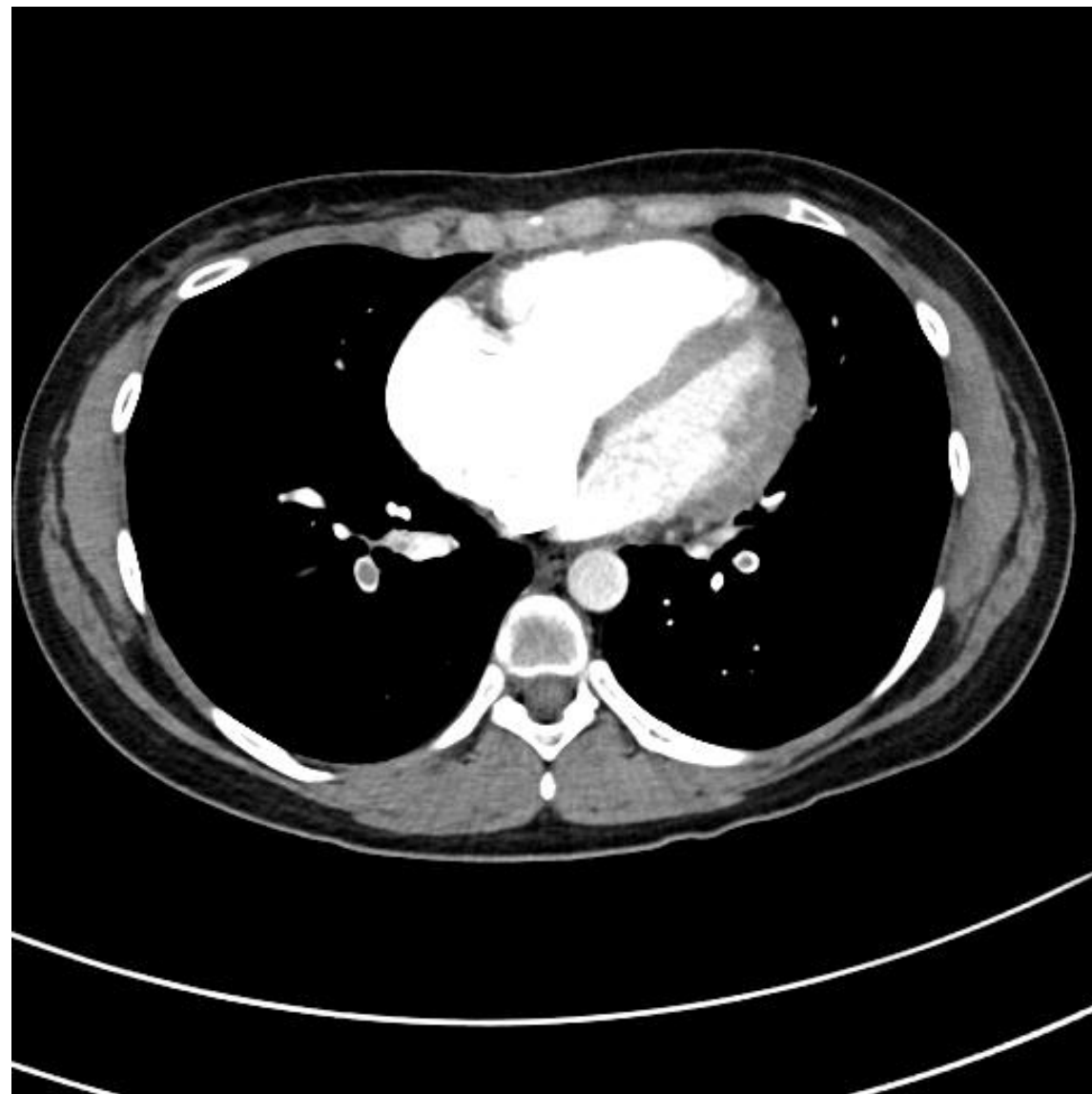
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C/C: syncope

Hx: 하지 인대 파열, splint

119 SBP 70 mmHg → ER BP **108/88 mmHg, Alert**



# 증례 7

Body weight: 55 kg

▶ 기본처방 ◀	
1	Message
※ Actilyse dose: 50 kg - 10 mg IVS, 이후 2시간 동안 60 mg 주입 (총 70 mg)	

01-29 01:25	Actilyse 60mg/ml 를 30cc/hr 로 2시간동안 주입 start 함. plasma fluid 20cc/hr 로 조절함.
01-29 01:24	BP; 94/65mmHg HR: 97회/분 SPO2: 100% mental: alert 전신 피부상태 확인함. 이상없음. Dr. [redacted] Actilyse 10mg iv 함. 환자 보호자(모)에게 보호자 1인 상주 필요성, 출혈, 의식상태 변화 등 이상 있을 경우 의료?
01-29 01:16	중환자실 입실동의서 받음.
01-29 01:15	rTPA 동의서 받음.

Molecule	Regimen
rtPA	100 mg over 2 h 0.6 mg/kg over 15 min (maximum dose 50 mg) <sup>a</sup>

## Concern major bleeding (eg. ICH)

<65 yr, 1.4 mg/kg (Min. 50 mg ~ Max. 100mg)  
 ≥65 yr, 1.0 mg/kg (Max: 70 mg)

Actilyse dose: > 65 kg - 10 mg IVS, 이후 2시간 동안 90 mg 주입 (총 100 mg)
Actilyse dose: 60~65 kg - 10 mg IVS, 이후 2시간 동안 80 mg 주입 (총 90 mg)
Actilyse dose: 55~60 kg - 10 mg IVS, 이후 2시간 동안 70 mg 주입 (총 80 mg)
Actilyse dose: 50~55 kg - 10 mg IVS, 이후 2시간 동안 65 mg 주입 (총 75 mg)
Actilyse dose: 45~50 kg - 10 mg IVS, 이후 2시간 동안 55 mg 주입 (총 65 mg)
Actilyse dose: < 45 kg - 10 mg IVS, 이후 2시간 동안 50 mg 주입 (총 60 mg)

# Role of Thrombolysis in Intermediate-Risk PE

- To prevent clinical decline in patients whom treated with anticoagulation alone (impending hemodynamic compromise)
- **PEITHO trial** (tenecteplase vs. tenecteplase + anticoagulation)
  - Less hemodynamic collapse, but more frequent bleeding
- **MOPETT trial**
  - Low dose rtPA: no difference for death

## 6.7. Recommendations for acute-phase treatment of intermediate- or low-risk pulmonary embolism

### Recommendations

Class<sup>a</sup> Level<sup>b</sup>

#### Reperfusion treatment

Rescue thrombolytic therapy is recommended for patients with haemodynamic deterioration on anticoagulation treatment [282].

I B

As an alternative to rescue thrombolytic therapy, surgical embolectomy<sup>e</sup> or percutaneous catheter-directed treatment<sup>e</sup> should be considered for patients with haemodynamic deterioration on anticoagulation treatment.

IIa C

Routine use of primary systemic thrombolysis is not recommended in patients with intermediate- or low-risk PE<sup>c,f</sup> [179].

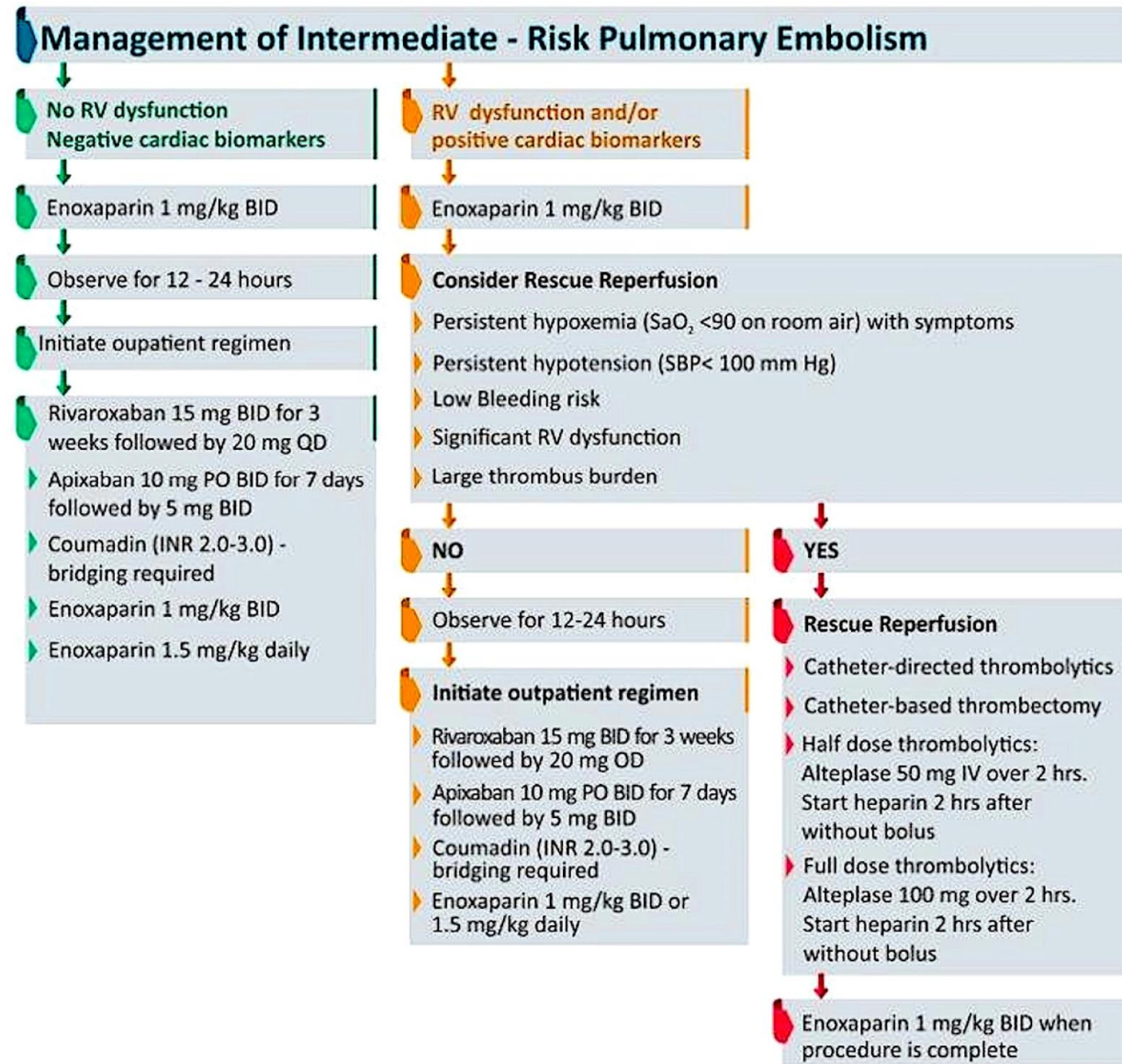
III B

# Intermediate-risk PE

- Still representative of a large and diverse patient group
- Heterogeneous nature
- Serologic biomarkers and imaging modalities
- Debate on the optimal care

# Proposed Management of Intermediate-Risk Pulmonary Embolism (PE)

Intermediate Risk = Acute PE without systemic hypotension (SBP > 90 mm Hg) and sPESI >0



# Multidisciplinary Teams: **the PERTs**

## **Pulmonary Embolism Response Teams**

The high complexity, mortality risk, and evolving nature of available therapies with intermediate-risk PE

### *6.8. Recommendations for multidisciplinary pulmonary embolism teams*

#### **Recommendations**

Set-up of a multidisciplinary team and a programme for the management of high- and (in selected cases) intermediate-risk PE should be considered, depending on the resources and expertise available in each hospital.

**Class<sup>a</sup> Level<sup>b</sup>**



# PERT

- Pulmonary critical care
- Interventional cardiology
- Cardiac surgery
- Interventional radiology
- Catheter-directed therapies

# PERT

- Short time-to-therapeutic anticoagulation
- Decrease in ICU length of stay
- Reduced bleeding rates
- Decreased utilization of IVC filter
- May reduced PE-related mortality

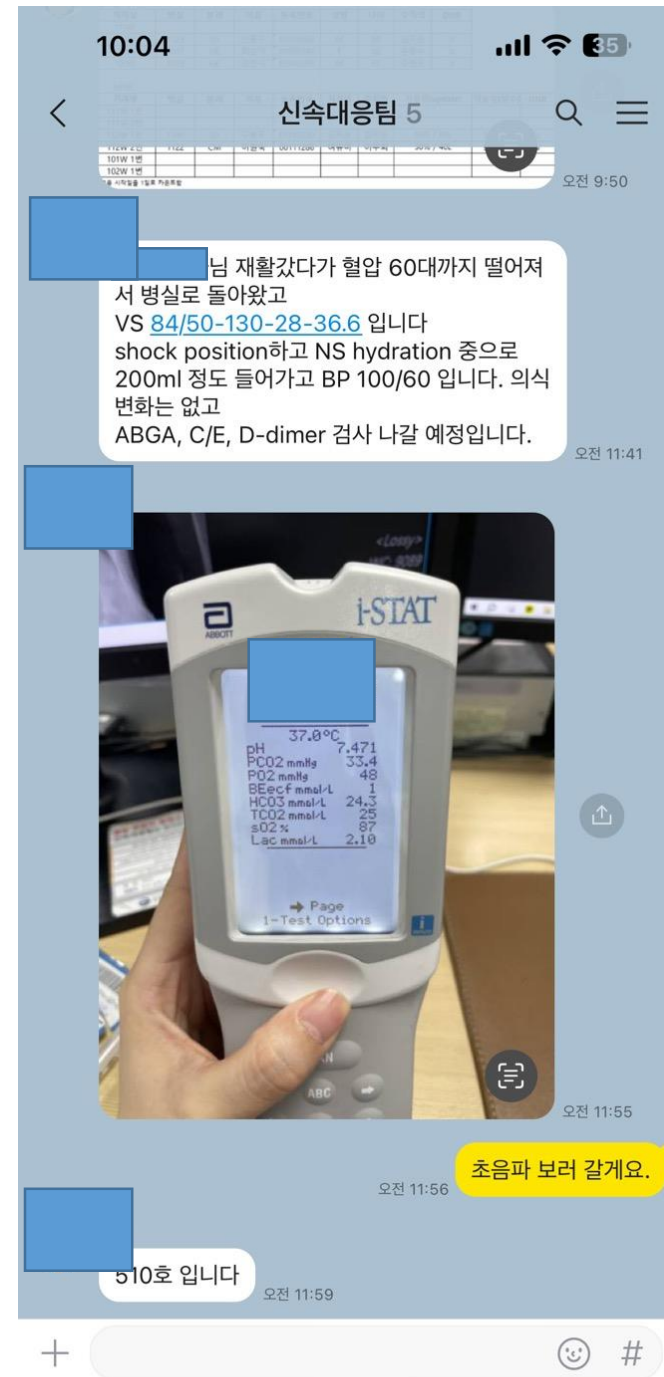
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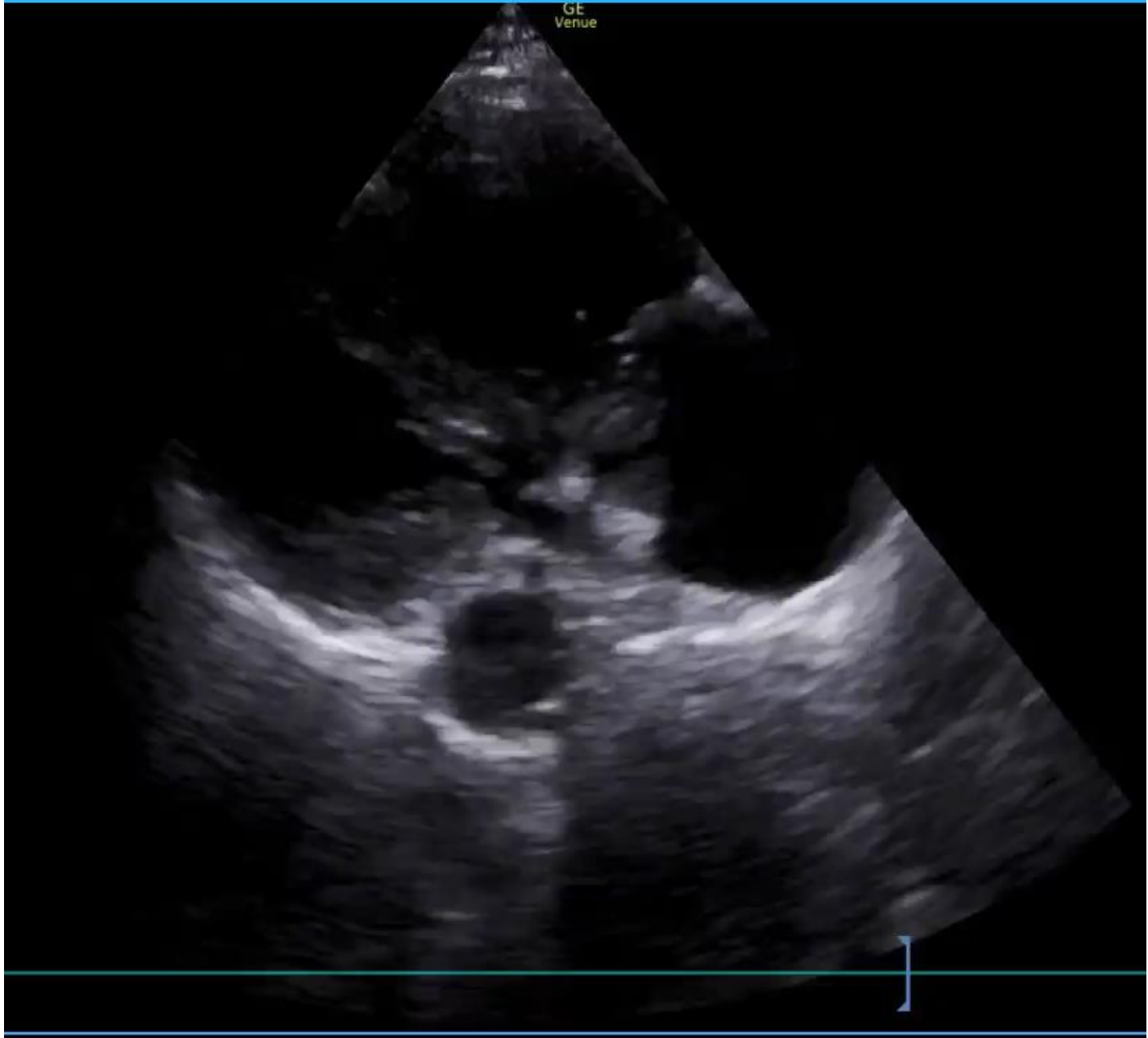
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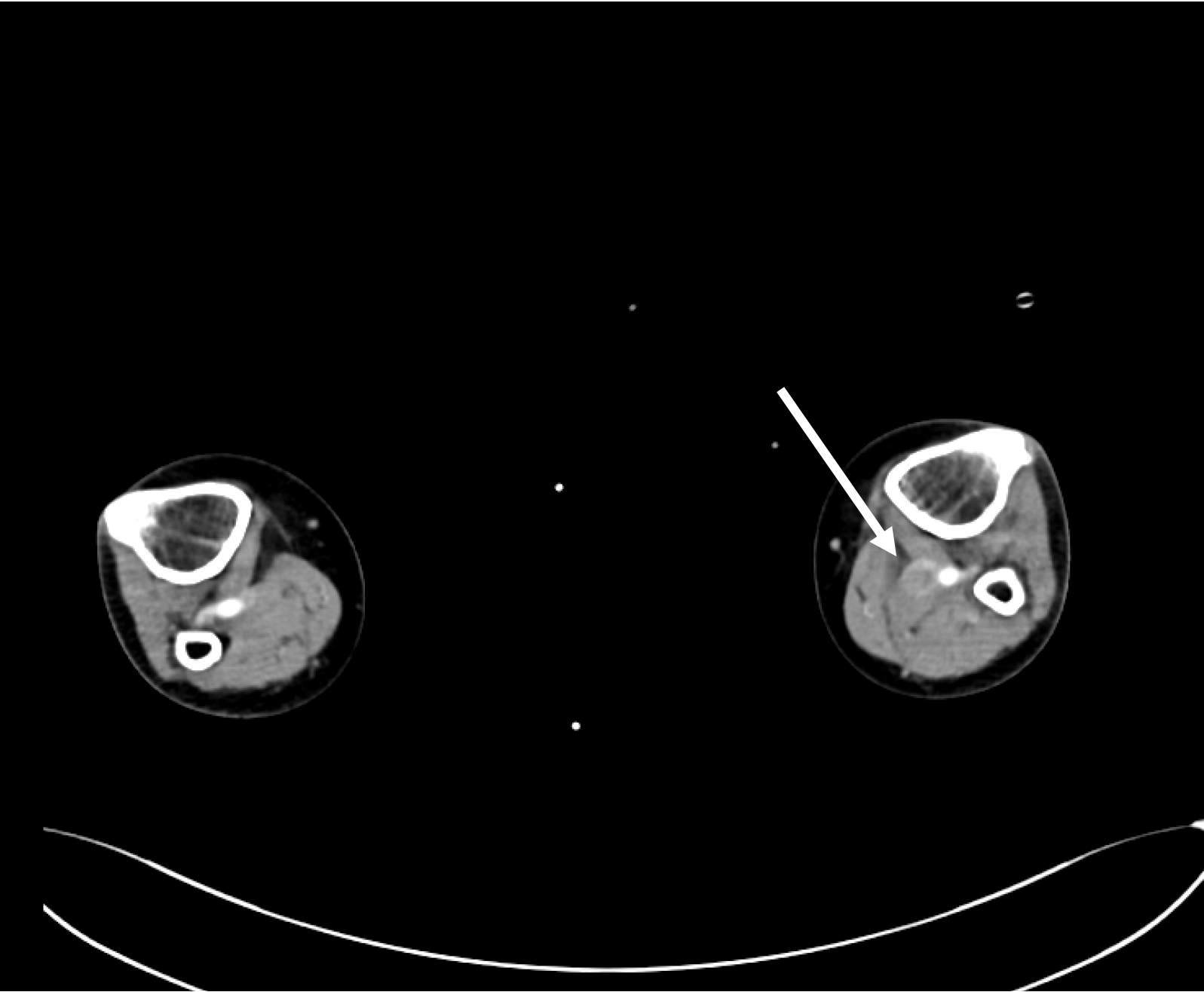
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HD #25





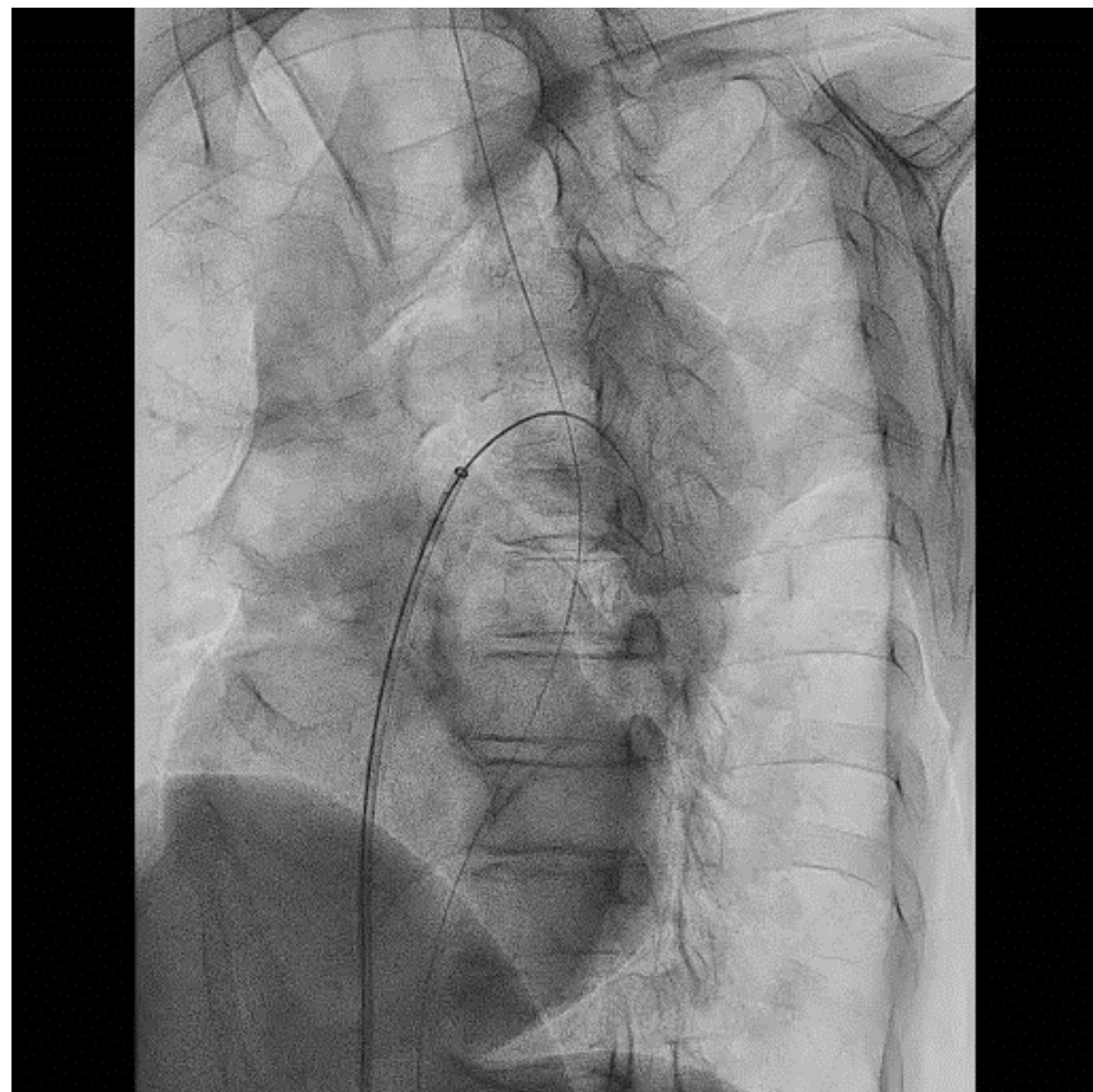
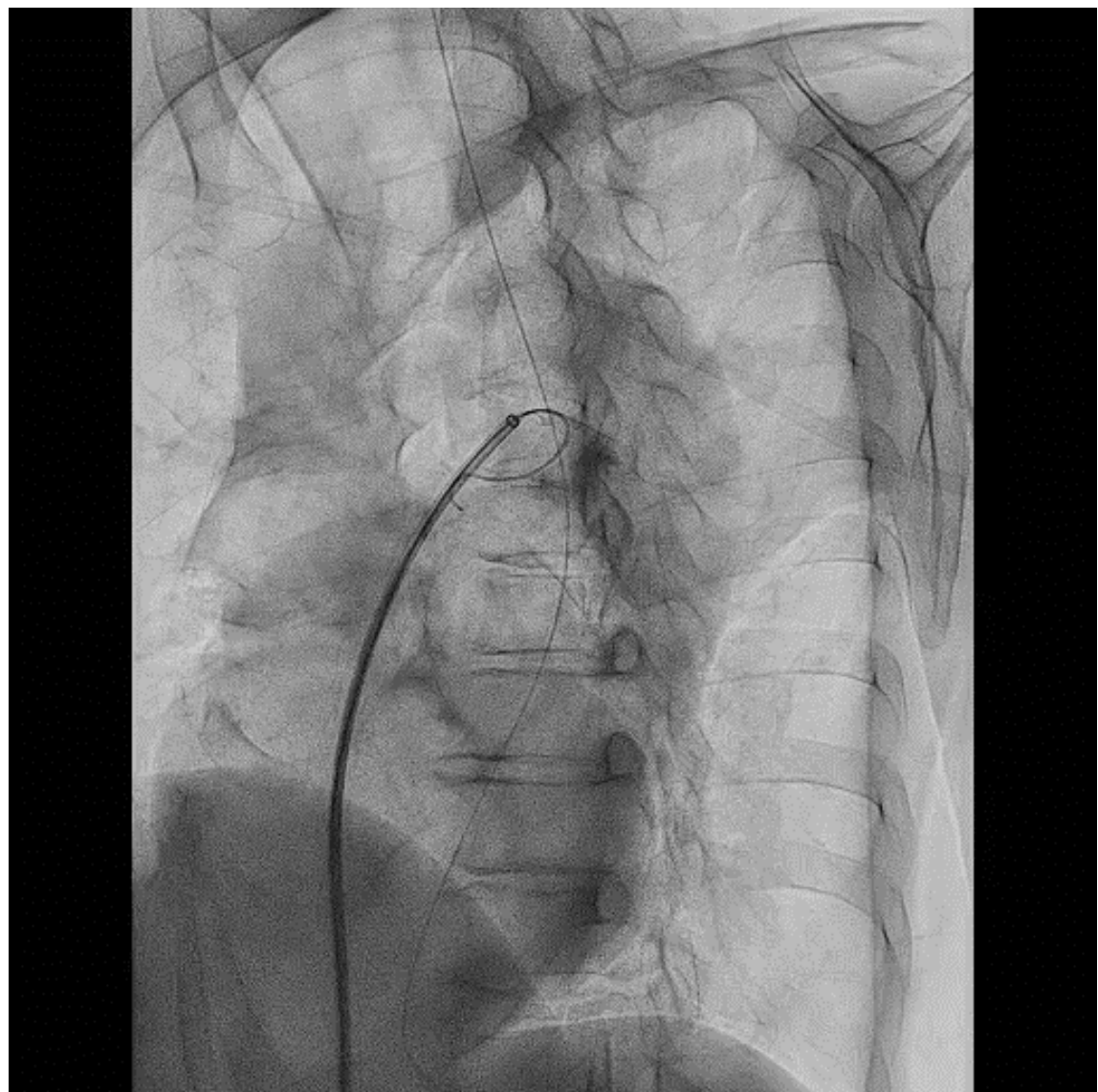


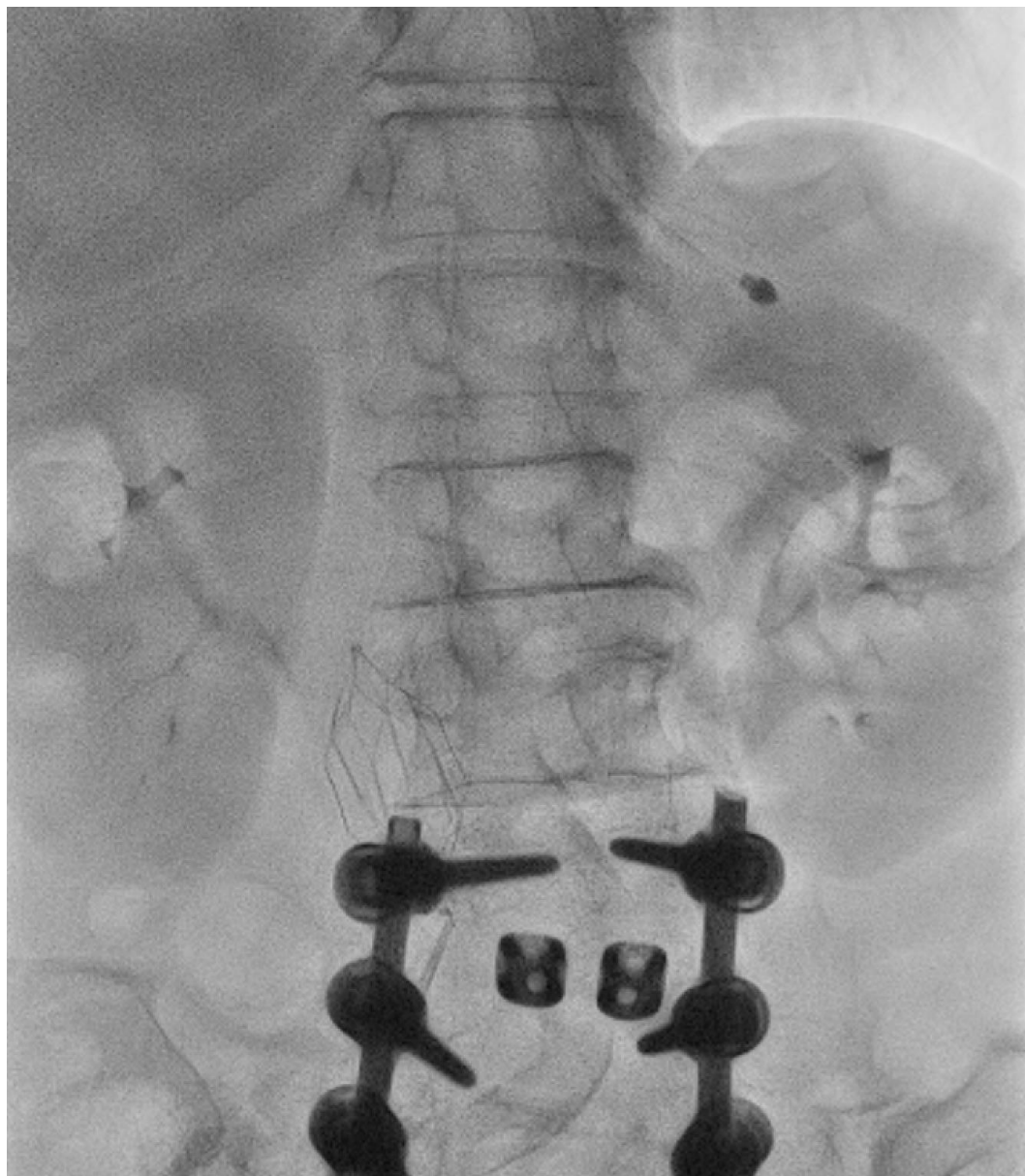




# PERT (?)

- Intensivist, RRT: LMWH, consult to CV, ICU 자리 준비
- NS: contraindication of thrombolysis
- CV: catheter-based therapy (thrombectomy), prn IVC filter





# 마무리

- **High-risk PE**

- Hemodynamic instability 환자: **POCUS**로 PE 여부를 감별
- **Hemodynamic support**로 가능하다면 CTPA
  - Fluid optimization, Norpinephrine, VA ECMO
- **Reperfusion therapy**
  - Thrombolysis (half ~ standard), Catheter-base therapies, Surgery

# 마무리

- **Intermediate high-risk PE**

- Risk stratification: **Hemodynamic, RV dysfunction, Troponin, PESI**
- **환자의 hemodynamic collapse는 종종 급격히 진행된다!**
- **RV dysfunction**은 정량화하기 어려우나 high risk PE로 전환될 가능성이 매우 높다.
- **PERT, catheter-directed therapies**가 항상 가능하면 좋겠으나 나이/체중/기저질환을 고려한 thrombolysis도 괜찮은 선택이다.