

Case Report

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*ACVRL1 Mutation 에 의한 HHT type 2 및 PAH 증례*

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PART I

# Case 1

# Patient Profile (2007)

## Age/Sex

40Y, F

## C.C./Onset

DOE (NYHA functional class I), 4YA

## Past medical history

N/S

## Family history

N/S

## Vital Signs

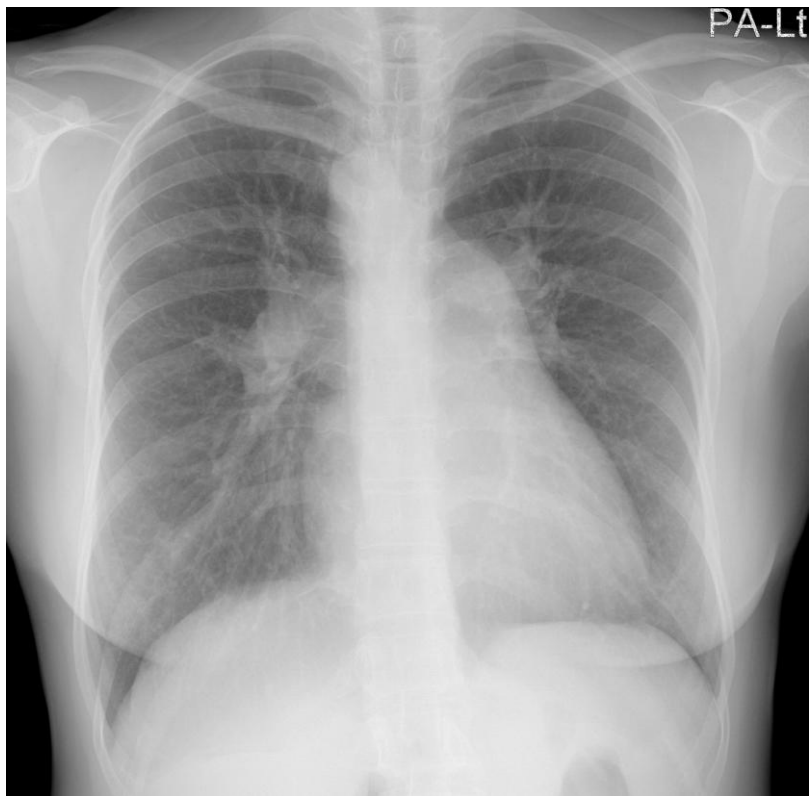
Blood Pressure **160/98 mmHg**

Heart Rate **92 bpm**

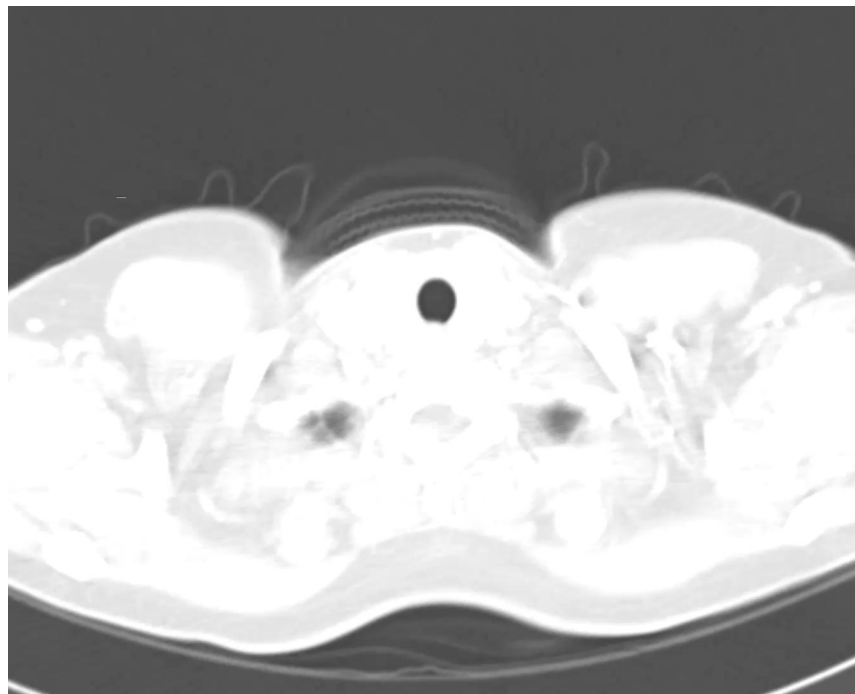
Respiratory Rate **24 /min**

Body Temperature **37.1 °C**

# Initial Workup



Initial Chest X-ray



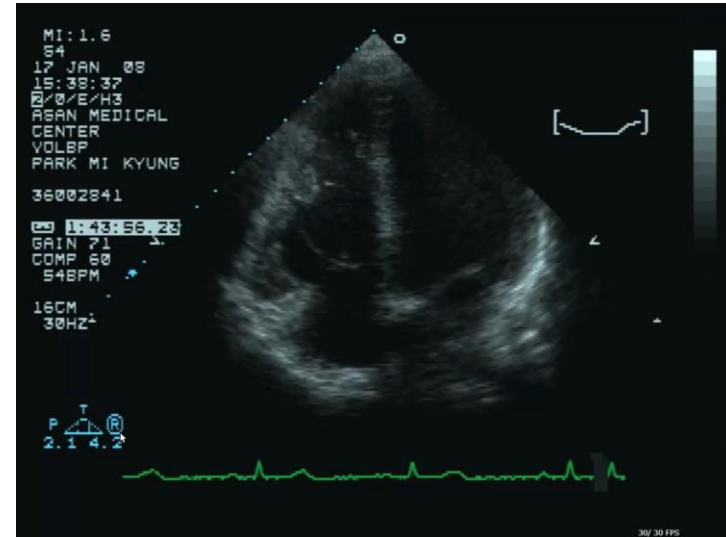
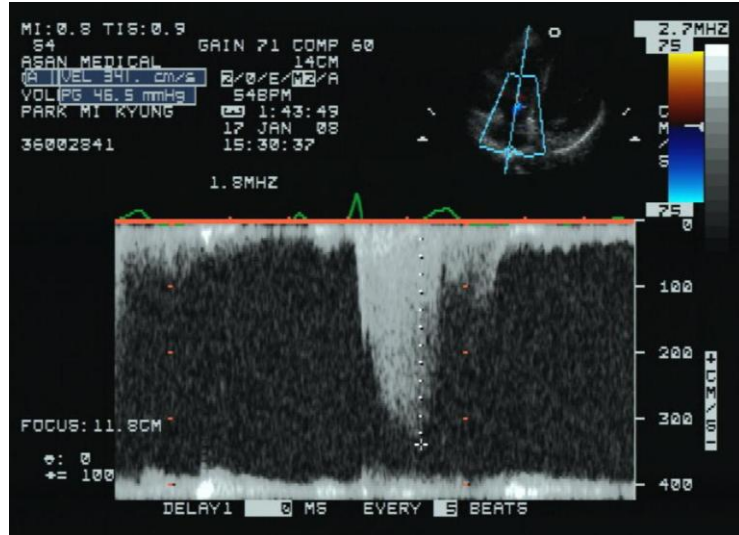
Initial Chest CT

# CBC, Chemistry

WBC (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	4.5
RBC (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	4.65
Hb (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	12.9
Hct (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	39.0
MCV (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	83.9
MCH (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	27.7
MCHC (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	33.1
RDW (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	16.1
Platelet (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	229

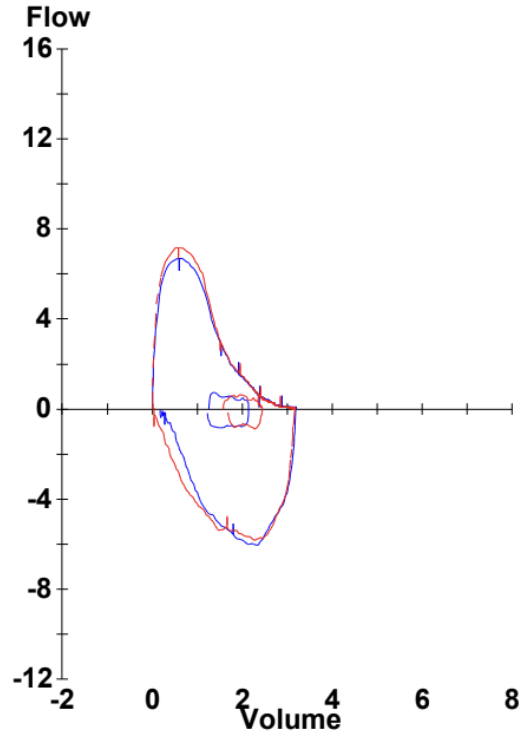
Total calcium (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	8.9
Phosphorus (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	3.8
Glucose (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	106
Creatinine (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	0.7
BUN (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	14
Uric acid (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	3.1
Total cholesterol (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	148
Total protein (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	7.4
Albumin (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	3.9
AST(SGOT) (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	20
ALT(SGPT) (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	15
Alkaline phosphatase (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	42
$\gamma$ -GT (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	14
Total bilirubin (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	0.8
Sodium (Qn)[EM],Blood	141
Potassium (Qn)[EM],Blood	4.0
Chloride (Qn)[EM],Blood	107
Total CO2 (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	22.3
eGFR(MDRD) (Qn),Blood	$\geq 90$

# Transthoracic Echocardiography



TR  $V_{max}$  3.4 m/s, PG 46 mmHg  
Mild resting PH  
Slightly decreased RV contractility  
Normal LA/LV

# Pulmonary Function Test



## Spirometry

		Ref	Pre Meas	Pre % Ref	Post Meas	Post % Ref	Post % Chg
FVC	Liters	3.41	3.21	94	3.18	93	-1
FEV1	Liters	2.65	2.42	91	2.44	92	1
FEV1/FVC	%	77	75		77		
FEF25-75%	L/sec	3.10	1.92	62	2.09	67	9
IsoFEF25-75	L/sec	3.10	1.92	62	2.07	67	8
PEF	L/sec	6.08	6.68	110	7.16	118	7
FET100%	Sec		9.46		10.91		15
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MVV	L/min	106					
f	BPM						

# Right Heart Catheterization (2008)

## RHC result

Parameter	2008
mPAP	35 mmHg
PAWP	23 mmHg
CO	6.8 L/min

## ⚠ Diagnostic Dilemma

- 1 PAWP 23 mmHg  
→ post-capillary pattern
- 2 CT상 GGO + septal thickening  
→ PVOD 배제 불가
- 3 Vasodilator 치료 보류,  
경과관찰

PART II

# Clinical Progress

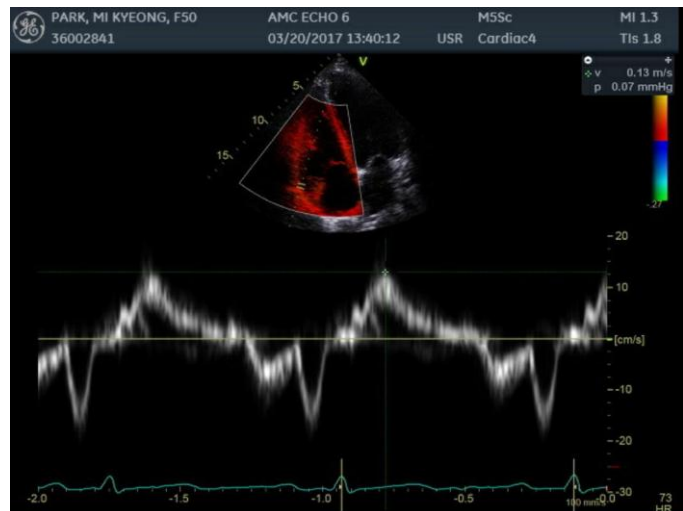
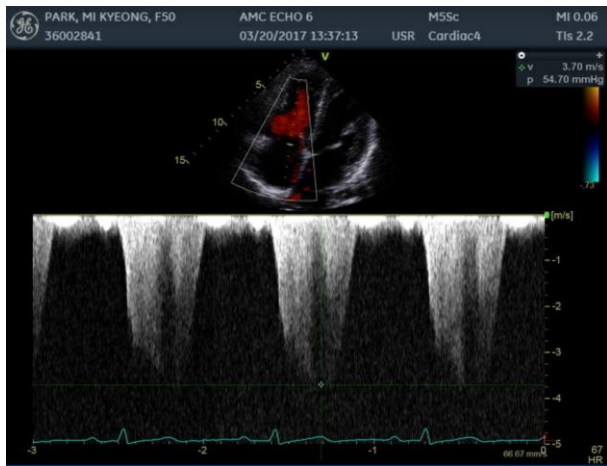
# Re-workup (2018)

## RHC results

Parameter	2008	2017
mRAP	—	6 mmHg
mPAP	35 mmHg	<b>39 mmHg</b>
PAWP	23 mmHg	<b>10 mmHg</b>
CO	6.8 L/min	6.0 L/min
PVR	—	<b>4.7 WU</b>
ScvO <sub>2</sub>	—	67%

# TTE results

Parameter	2007	2017
TR V <sub>max</sub>	3.4 m/s	<b>3.7 m/s</b>
PG	46 mmHg	<b>55 mmHg</b>
Resting PH	mild	<b>moderate</b>
RA/RV	Sl. decreased	Normal
LA/LV	Normal	Normal



## Diagnosis of IPAH

1

Pre-capillary PAH, PVR 4.7WU  
→ IPAH 기준 충족, PVOD 배제됨

2

Macitentan 치료 시작 (2017.05~)

# Development of New Symptom (2018)

C.C

Recurrent epistaxis

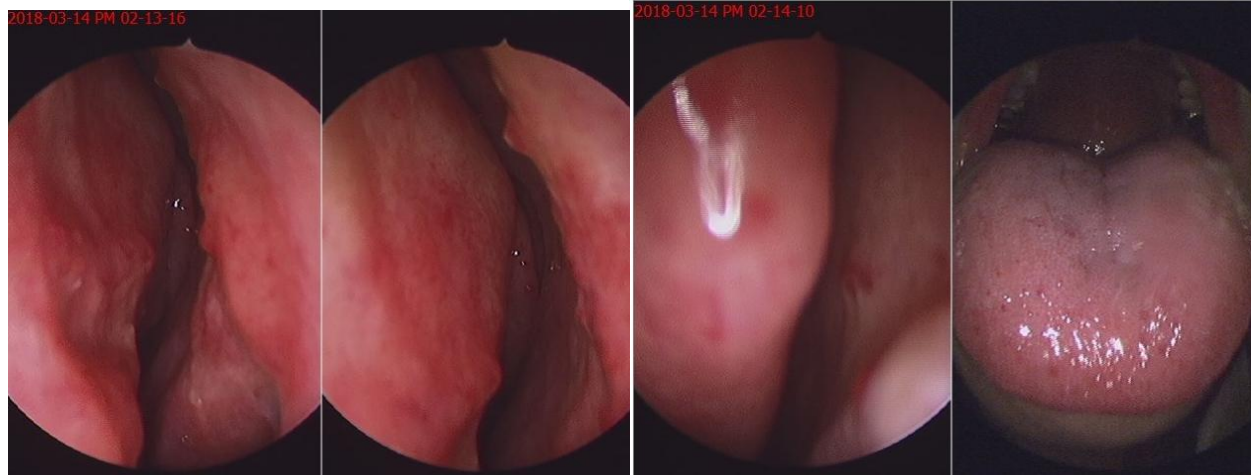
## Vital sign

■ BP 150/76 mmHg

■ HR 87bpm

■ RR 20/min

■ BT 37.1°C



Nasal examination :  
multiple telangiectatic lesions

# CBC

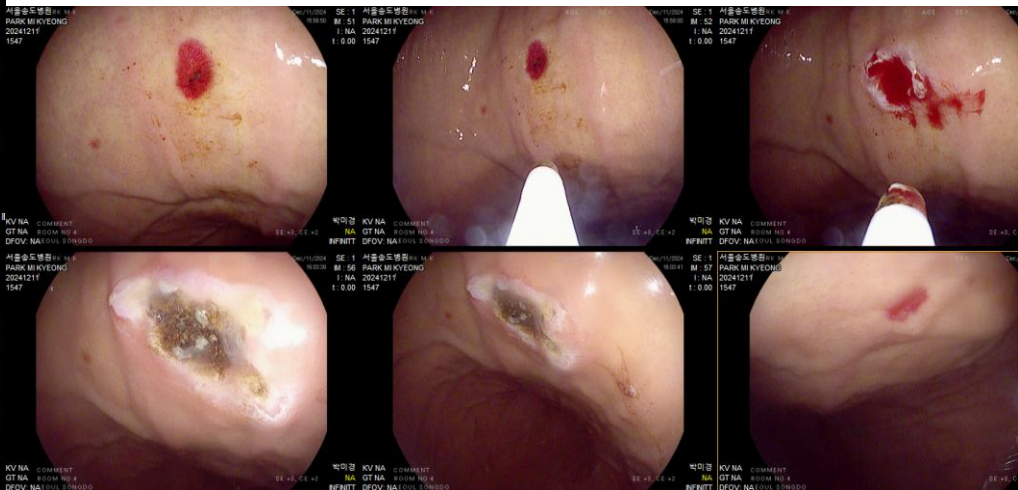
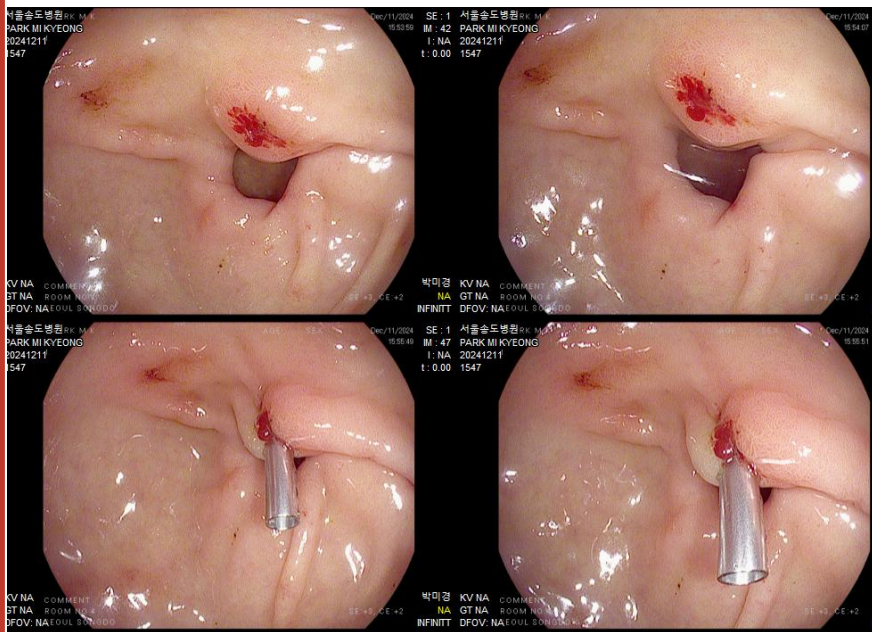
AC0089	WBC (Qn)[ChemR-I],Bl...	4.1		4	10	$\times 10^9/\mu\text{L}$
AC0090	RBC (Qn)[ChemR-I],Bl...	3.65	▼	4	5.4	$\times 10^6/\mu\text{L}$
AC0091	Hb (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	6.5	▼	12	16	g/dl
AC0092	Hct (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	24.0	▼	36	48	%
AC0157	MCV (Qn)[ChemR-I],B...	65.8	▼	80	100	fl
AC0158	MCH (Qn)[ChemR-I],B...	17.8	▼	26	32	pg
AC0159	MCHC (Qn)[ChemR-I],...	27.1	▼	32	36	%
AC0123	RDW (Qn)[ChemR-I],B...	22.6	▲	11.5	14.5	%
AC0093	Platelet (Qn)[ChemR-I]...	254		150	350	$\times 10^9/\mu\text{L}$

BC0018	Iron (Qn)[ChemR-I],Bl...	16	▼	50	130	ug/dL
BC0019	TIBC (Qn)[ChemR-I],Bl...	526	▲	280	400	ug/dL
BC0071	Ferritin (Qn),Blood	4.4	▼	10	290	ng/ml

Diagnosis of IDA

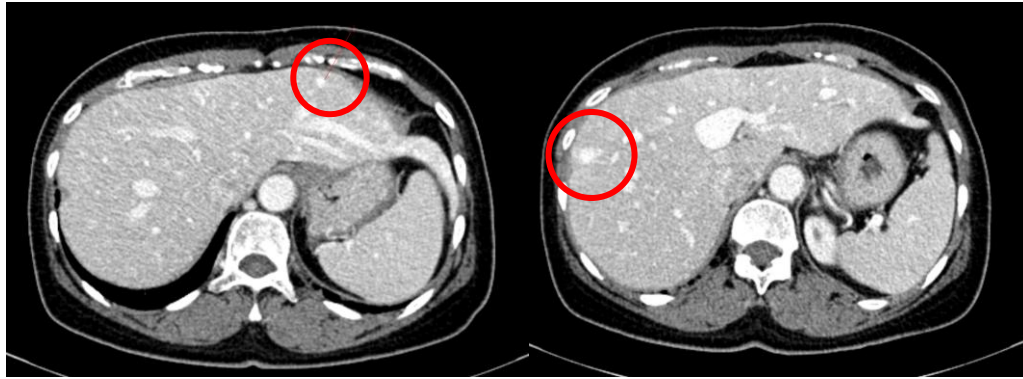
→ Started iron supplement

# Outside EGD (2024)

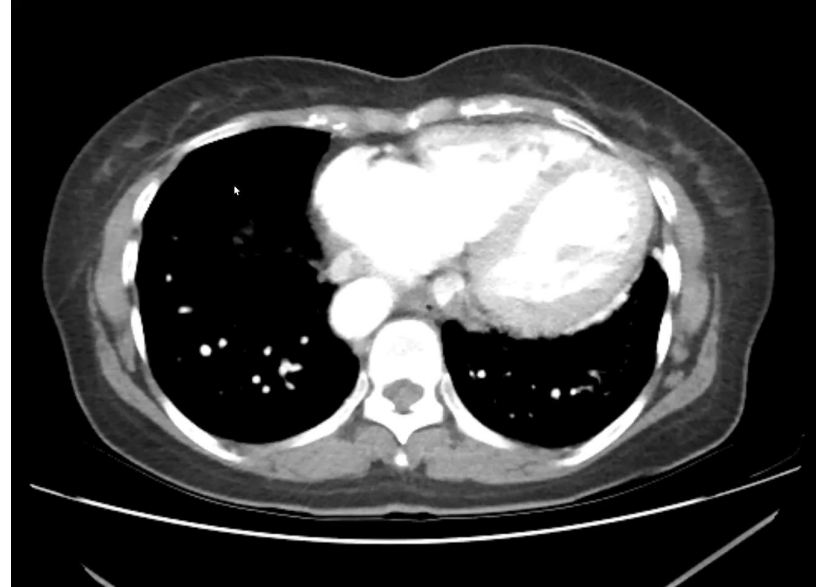


Multiple angiodyplasia in stomach, duodenum; erosion at antrum  
→ s/p APC, endoscopic clipping (2024.12)

# Hepatic Arterioportal Shunts (2025)



2025.5 Adrenal CT



2025.12 Liver dynamic CT

## **Curaçao's diagnostic criteria for Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia (HHT, Rendu-Osler-Weber syndrome)**

*(Shovlin C.L. et al., . Am. J. Med. Genet. 91:66-67, 2000)*

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1. Epistaxis: spontaneous, recurrent nose bleeds
2. Telangiectases: multiple, at characteristic sites (lips, oral cavity, fingers, nose)
3. Visceral lesions such as gastrointestinal telangiectasia (with or without bleeding), pulmonary arteriovenous malformation (AVM), hepatic AVM, cerebral AVMs, spinal AVM
4. Family history: a first degree relative with HHT according to these criteria

### **Diagnosis of HHT**

Definite: 3 criteria are present

Possible or suspected: 2 criteria are present

Unlikely: <2 criteria are present

# Gene Mutation Tests (2025)

## ACVRL1 gene mutation

검사명 : ACVRA1 gene mutaiton

지다명 : Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia  
유전자 : ACVRL1 on 12q13.13.  
검사방법 : PCR-Sequencing  
전방식 : 상염색체 우성 유전  
검체 : PB  
OMIM Disease : #187300  
OMIM Gene : \*601284  
GeneBank NT : NG\_009549.1  
GeneBank NM : NM\_000020.3

[Result]

Heterozygous LP, c.920C>A (p.A307E) was detected in ACVRL1.

[Interpretation]

1. Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia 2 (HHT2)는 ACVRL1 (activin A receptor, type II-like 1) 유전자의 돌연변이에 의합니다 (1).

2. ACVRL1 유전자의 돌연변이 여부를 확인하기 위하여, ACVRL1 유전자의 10개의 exon 및 exon-intron boundary에 대한 염기서열을 분석하였습니다.

3. 염기서열 분석 결과, 본 검사대상자는 ACVRL1 유전자의 exon7에서 c.920C>A (p.A1a30761u) (p.A307E) 변이를 이형접합자로 보았습니다.

c.920C>A (p.A307E) (rs963223411)는 ClinVar에 병원 변이로 보고된 변이로, likely pathogenic (LP, PM1 PM2 PP3 PP5)으로 분석되는 돌연변이입니다 (2).

4. 본 검사대상자는 ACVRL1 유전자의 c.920C>A (p.A307E) 이형접합자 LP 돌연변이에 의한 HHT2 환자입니다.

5. 가족구성원에 대한 유전상담이 필요합니다.

## ENG gene mutation

검사명 : ENG gene mutation

지다명 : Hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia  
유전자 : ENG on 9q34.1  
검사방법 : PCR-Sequencing  
전방식 : 상염색체 우성 유전  
검체 : PB  
OMIM Disease : #187300  
OMIM Gene : \*131195  
GeneBank NT : NT\_008470.20  
GeneBank NM : NM\_000118.3

[Result]

No mutation was detected in coding region of ENG gene.

→ Diagnosis of HHT type 2

# Summary of Clinical Timeline

2007

2008

2017

2018-2024

2025

- 초진  
- DOE  
→ PH 의심

- RHC 시행  
mPAP 35  
PAWP 23  
→ 경과관찰

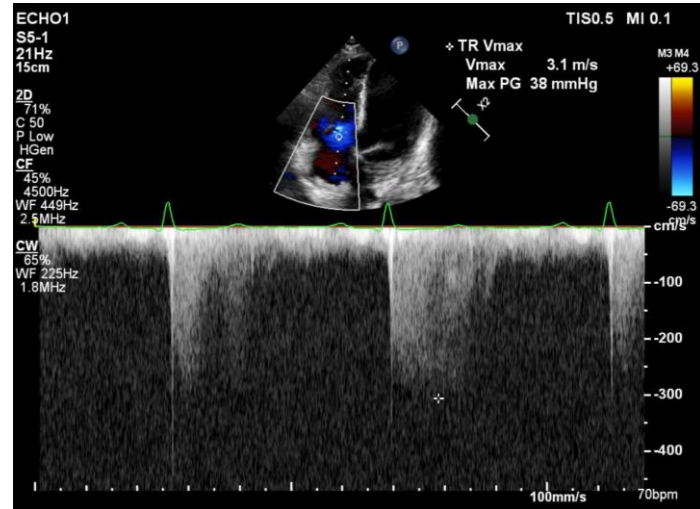
- PH 악화  
- mPAP 39  
PAWP 10  
PVR 4.7  
→ IPAH 진단  
→ Macitentan

- Recurrent  
epistaxis  
- Angiodysplasias  
on EGD  
- IDA  
- Hepatic AP shunts

- ACVRL1 mutation  
→ HHT2 확진

# Current Status (2026)

- Macitentan for 9 years, stable course without significant worsening
- ACVRL1 mutation → On family genetics consultation
- Last TTE (2026.3)
  - Enlarged RV with preserved contractility
  - mild PH (TR V<sub>max</sub> 3.1m/sec, no IVC plethora)
  - LA enlargement, normal LV



PART I

# Case 2

# Patient Profile (2026.4)

## Age/Sex

52Y, F

## C.C./Onset

Epistaxis, 4YA

## Past medical history

IPAH

## Family history

N/S

## Vital Signs

Blood Pressure **104/62 mmHg**

Heart Rate **60 bpm**

Respiratory Rate **16 /min**

Body Temperature **36.3 °C**

## Past history

1995 임신 중 hemoptysis 발생, IPAH 진단, Warfarin 복용

2005 f/up loss

2013.8 hemoptysis로 재내원

TTE 상 PH 악화되어 volibris 투약 → 6개월 후 f/up loss

2018.5 치료 다시 원하여 내원, volibris 재투약 → 3개월 후 loss

2022.5 코피로 타원 응급실 방문.

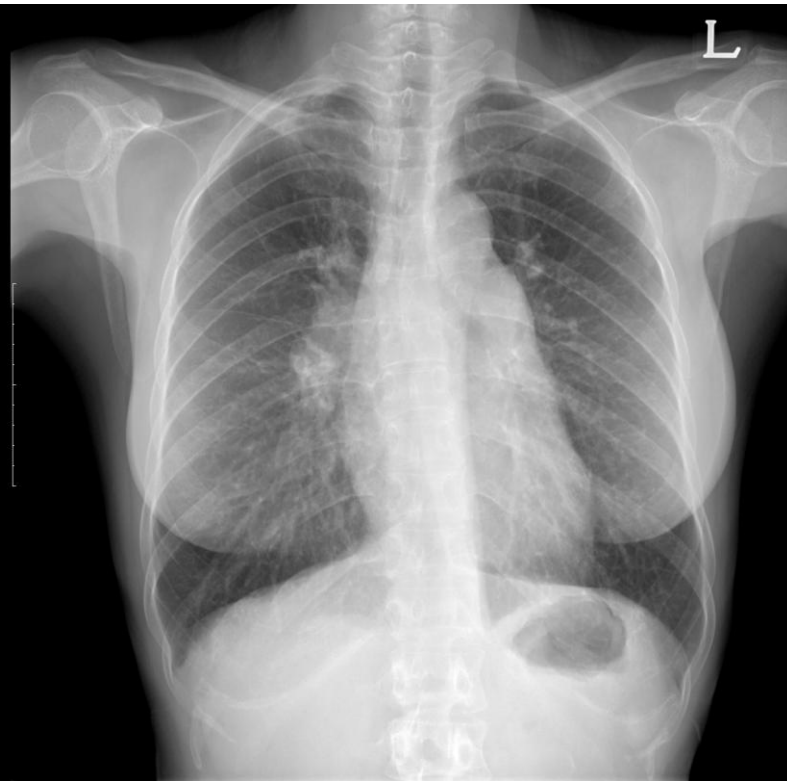
다시 본원 추적 시작. Opsumit 투약 → 1개월 후 loss

2026.4 반복적인 코피로 재내원

# Chest PA



2026.4



2022.5

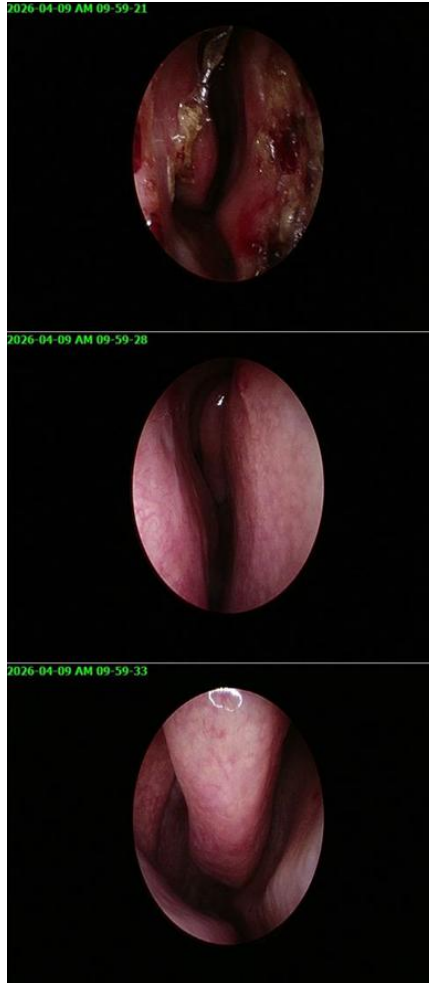
# CBC, Chemistry

WBC (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	5.2
RBC (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	4.36
Hb (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	12.8
Hct (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	39.0
MCV (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	89.4
MCH (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	29.4
MCHC (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	32.8
RDW (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	13.2
Platelet (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	169

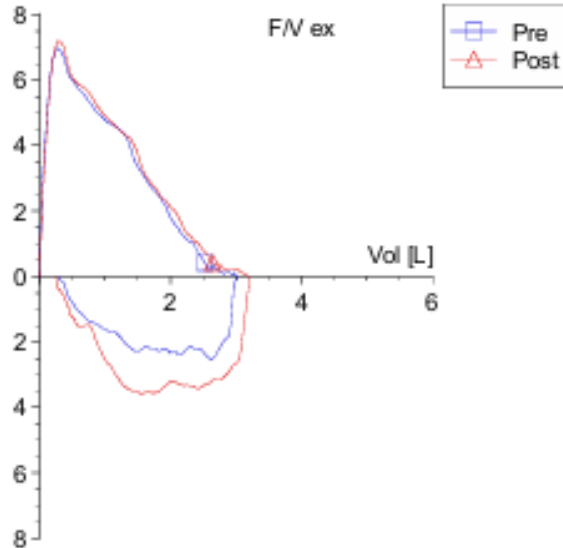
Total calcium (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	9.6
Phosphorus (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	2.8
Glucose (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	143
Creatinine (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	0.71
BUN (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	15
Uric acid (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	4.3
Total cholesterol (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	179
Total protein (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	7.0
Albumin (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	3.7
AST(SGOT) (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	28
ALT(SGPT) (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	14
Alkaline phosphatase (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	67
$\gamma$ -GT (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	14
Total bilirubin (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	0.6
Sodium (Qn)[EM],Blood	139
Potassium (Qn)[EM],Blood	4.2
Chloride (Qn)[EM],Blood	106
Total CO2 (Qn)[ChemR-I],Blood	24.0
CRP (Qn),Blood	0.09
eGFR(CKD-EPI) (Qn),Blood	98
eGFR(MDRD) (Qn),Blood	$\geq 60(86)$

# Nasal examination

No evidence of telangiectatic lesions



# Pulmonary Function Test



## Spirometry

	Ref	Pre	%Pre	Post	%Post	%Chg
FVC	3.31	2.98	90	3.18	96	6
FEV1	2.73	2.51	92	2.60	95	4
FEV1/FVC	81	84	104	82	101	-3
FEF25-75	2.75	2.78	101	2.67	97	-4
IsoFEF25-75		2.78		3.24		16
PEF	5.75	6.99	122	7.23	126	3
FET100		5.51		4.82		-13
E ATS05		201		201		0
MVV	97.96					
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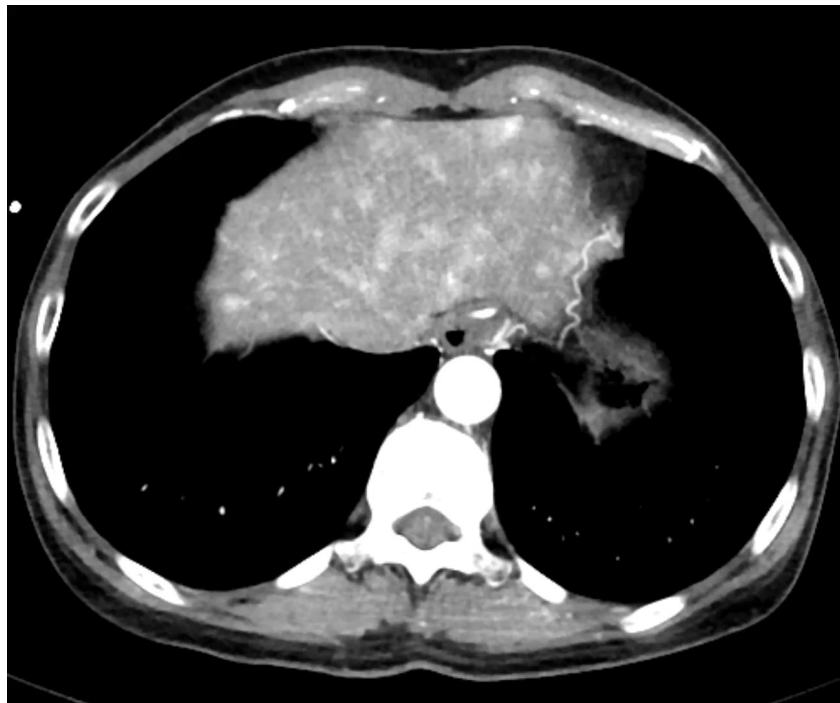
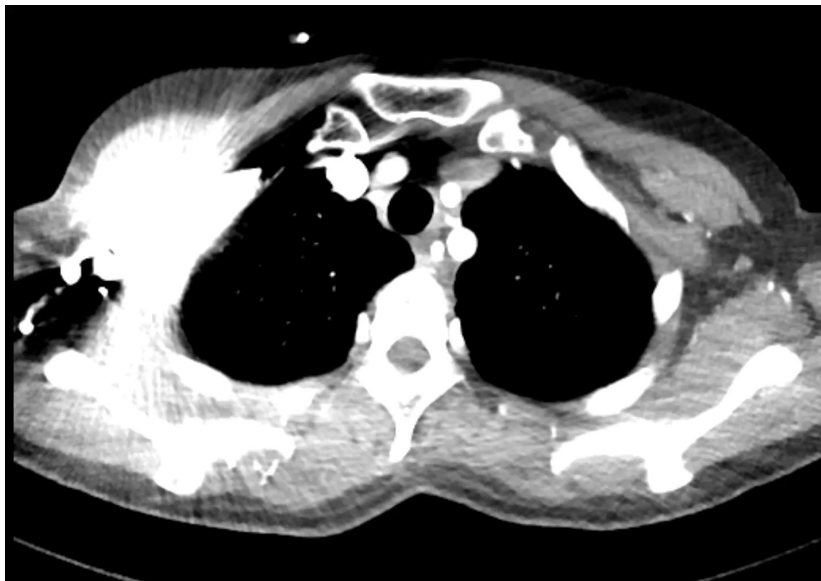
## Diffusion

	Ref	Pre	%Pre	Post	%Post	%Chg
DLCO	20.0	13.4	67			
DL Adj	20.0	13.4	67			
DLCO/VA	4.52	2.61	58			
DL/VA Adj		2.61				
DLCO ECode		0				
VA	4.70	5.13	109			
IVC	3.31	2.93	88			
BHT		12.07				

## Lung Volume

	Ref	Pre	%Pre	Post	%Post	%Chg
TLC	4.71	4.97	106			
VC	3.31	3.02	91			
IC	2.04	1.11	54			
FRC PL	2.61	3.86	148			
Vtg		4.07				
ERV	1.02	1.92	188			
RV	1.71	1.94	114			
RV/TLC	36.38	39.09	107			
L Vol ECode		1				

## Chest CT, AP CT



# Right Heart Catheterization

PA	MPA	Pressure	55	19	33
		saturation	77.5		
	RPA	Pressure	54	19	33
		saturation			
	LPA	Pressure			
		saturation			
	Lt. PAWP	Pressure			
		saturation			
	Rt. PAWP	Pressure	8	9	6
		saturation			

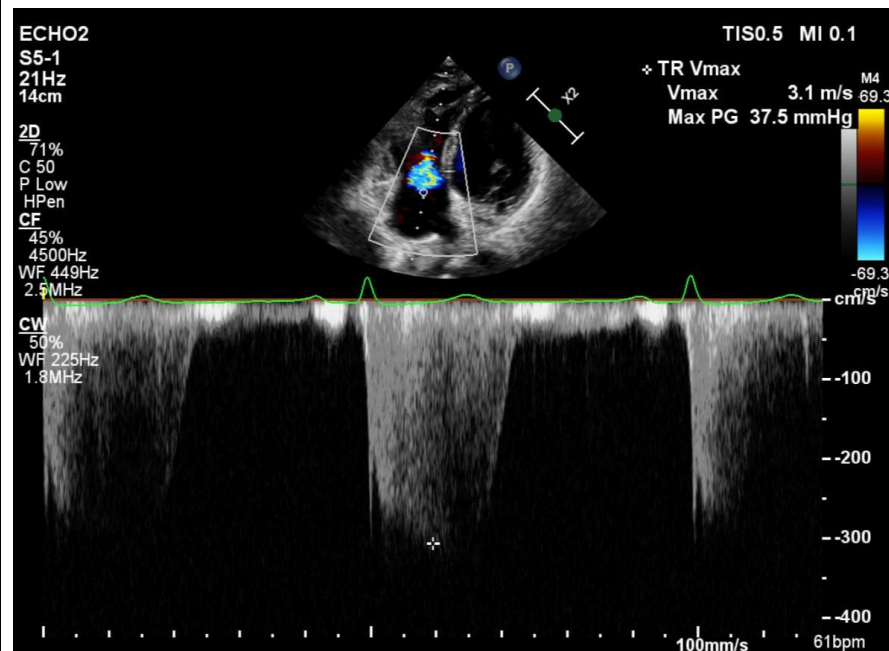
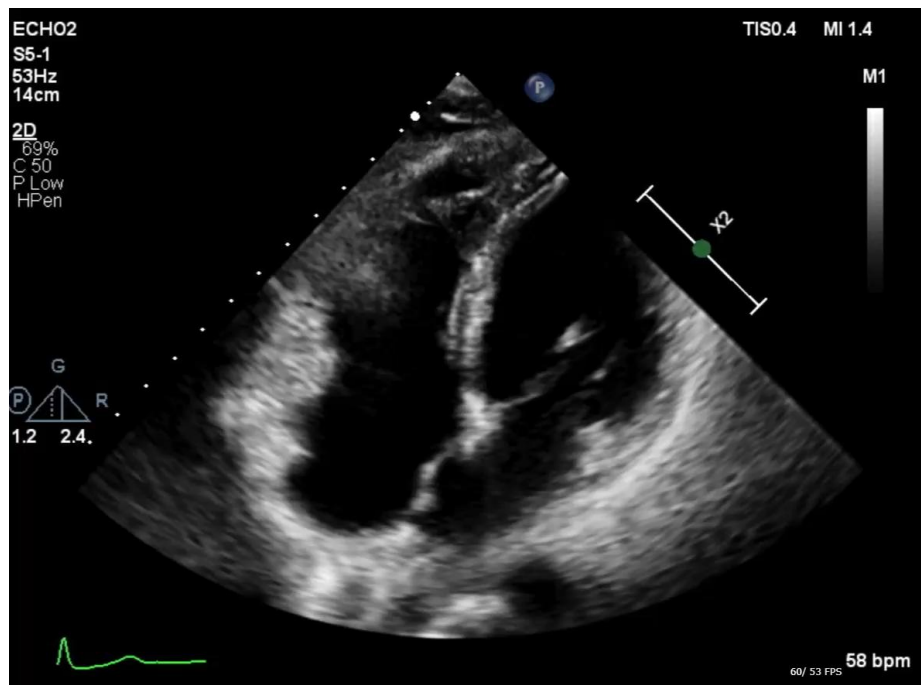
## Resistance

PVR(Wood units)(by indirect fick)	4.48
PVR(Wood units)(by thermodilution)	4.71
SVR(Wood units)	13.08
PVR index(Wood units)	6.96
SVR index(Wood units)	20.33
Rp / Rs	0.34

- conclusion
- No evidence of pulmonary hypertension
  - Pre - capillary pulmonary hypertension
  - Isolated post - capillary pulmonary hypertension
  - Combined post - and pre - capillary pulmonary hypertension
  - Exercise pulmonary hypertension
  - Other

vasoreactivit test result: negative

# Transthoracic Echocardiography



Mild resting PH, mild TE (TR Vmax 3.1 m/sec)  
Normal LV/RV

# Gene Mutation Tests (2026)

## ACVRL1 gene mutation

검사명 : ACVRL1 gene mutaiton

진단명 : Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia  
유전자 : ACVRL1 on 12q13.13.  
검사방법 : PCR-Sequencing  
검사목적 : 상염색체 우성유전  
검체 : PB  
OMIM Disease : #187300  
OMIM Gene : \*601284  
GeneBank NT : NG\_009549.1  
GeneBank NM : NM\_000020.3

[Result]

Heterozygous LP, c.1120C>T (p.R374W) was detected in ACVRL1.

[Interpretation]

1. Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia 2 (HHT2)는 상염색체 우성유전으로, ACVRL1 (activin A receptor, type 11-like 1) 유전자의 돌연변이에 의합니다 (1).
2. ACVRL1 유전자의 돌연변이 여부를 확인하기 위하여, ACVRL1 유전자의 10개의 exon 및 exon-intron boundary에 대한 염기서열을 분석하였습니다.
3. 염기서열 분석 결과, 본 검사대상자는 ACVRL1 유전자의 exon8에서 c.1120T>C (p.Arg374Trp) (p.R374W) 변이를 이형접합자로 보았습니다.  
c.1120C>T (p.R374W) (rs28936401)는 Berg, JN 등이 HHT2 환자에서 처음 보고한 변이로, likely pathogenic (LP, PM1, PM2, PWS, PP3, PP5)으로 분석되는 돌연변이입니다 (2,3).
4. 본 검사대상자는 ACVRL1 유전자의 c.1120C>T (p.R374W) 이형접합자 돌연변이에 의한 HHT2 환자입니다.
5. 가족구성원에 대한 유전상담이 필요합니다.

## ENG gene mutation

검사명 : ENG gene mutation

진단명 : Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia  
유전자 : ENG on 9q34.11  
검사방법 : PCR-Sequencing  
검사목적 : 상염색체 우성유전  
검체 : PB  
OMIM Disease : #187300  
OMIM Gene : \*131195  
GeneBank NT : NG\_009551.1  
GeneBank NM : NM\_000118.3

[Result]

No mutation was detected in coding region of ENG gene.

[Interpretation]

1. Hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia 1 (HHT1, or Osler-Weber Rendu syndrome)은 상염색체 우성유전으로, ENG (endoglin) 유전자의 돌연변이에 의합니다 (1).
2. ENG 유전자의 돌연변이 여부를 확인하기 위하여, ENG 유전자의 14개 exon 및 exon-intron boundary에 대한 염기서열을 분석하였습니다.
3. 염기서열 분석 결과, 본 검사대상자는 ENG 유전자의 모든 exon 및 exon-intron boundary에서 병인 변이가 관찰되지 않았습니다.
4. 본 검사대상자는 ENG 유전자의 coding region 및 exon-intron boundary의 splicing junction에서의 점돌연변이는 없습니다.
5. 본 검사대상자는 ACVRL1 유전자의 c.1120C>T (p.R374W) 이형접합자 LP 돌연변이에 의한 HHT2 환자입니다.

→ Diagnosis of HHT type 2

## 평가(Assessment)

# IPAH (1995); 2013 volibris 6개월, 2018 3개월, 2022 opsumit 1개월 투여

-> PAH associated with HHT2

PART III

# Disease Review

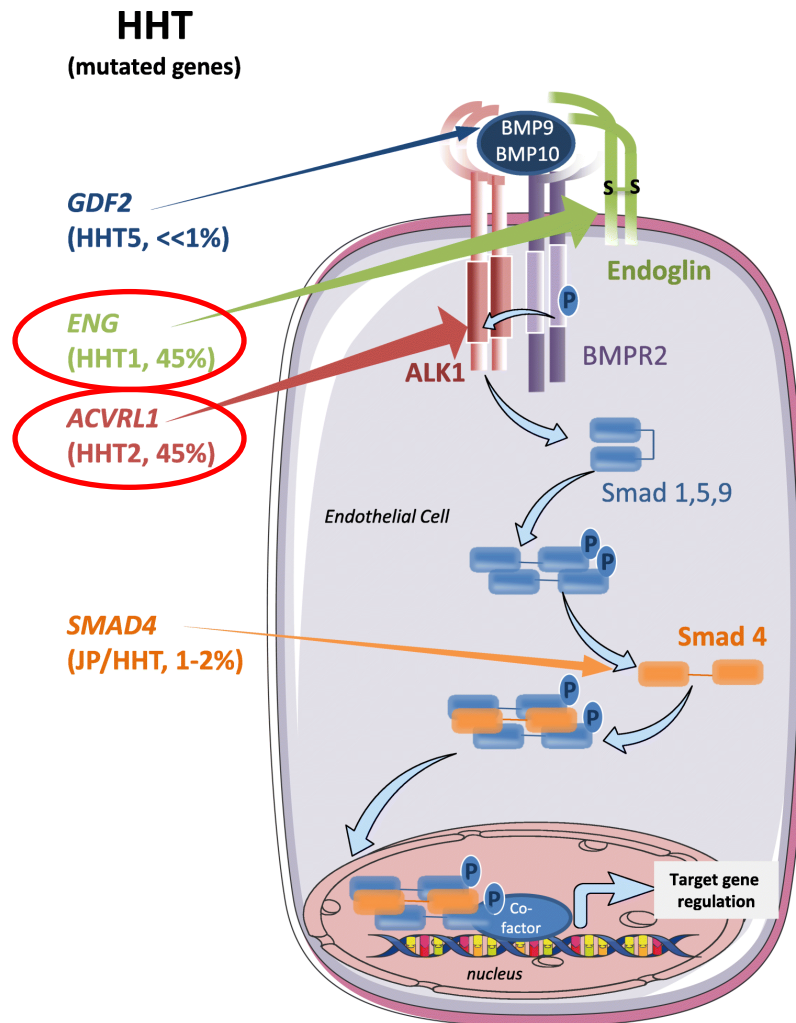
*HHT and PH*

# Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia

*(Osler-Weber-Rendu Disease)*

- Multisystemic vascular dysplasia
- Autosomal dominant
- 1/5000-8000 worldwide
- Pathogenic mutations
  - ENG (HHT1) } -95% of all HHTs
  - ACVRL1 (HH2) }
  - SMAD4, GDF2 ...

# Pathogenesis



# Diagnosis : Curaçao Diagnostic Criteria

## Curaçao's diagnostic criteria for Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia (HHT, Rendu-Osler-Weber syndrome)

(Shovlin C.L. et al., . Am. J. Med. Genet. 91:66-67, 2000)

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1. Epistaxis: spontaneous, recurrent nose bleeds m/c, ~95%
2. Telangiectases: multiple, at characteristic sites (lips, oral cavity, fingers, nose) 70%
3. Visceral lesions such as gastrointestinal telangiectasia (with or without bleeding), pulmonary arteriovenous malformation (AVM), hepatic AVM, cerebral AVMs, spinal AVM 15% ~ 45% 70%~ ~20%
4. Family history: a first degree relative with HHT according to these criteria

### Diagnosis of HHT

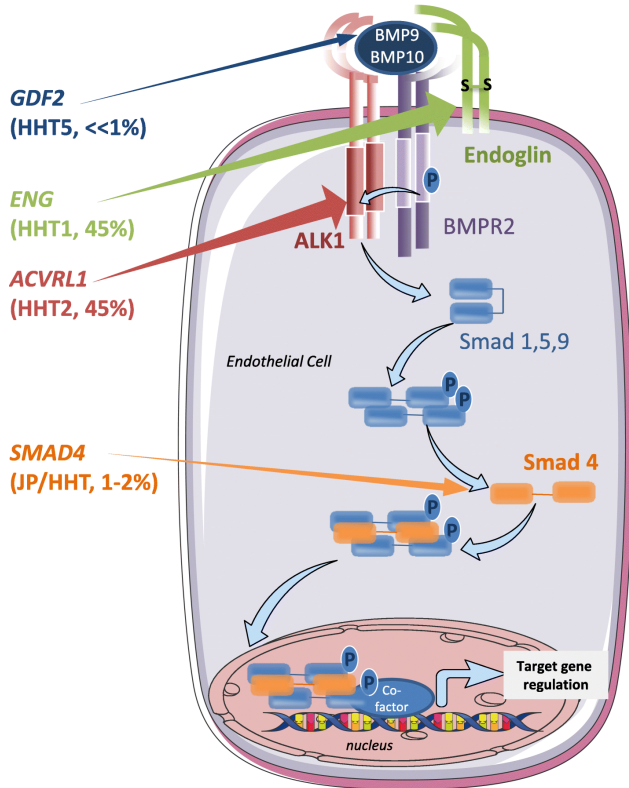
Definite: 3 criteria are present  
Possible or suspected: 2 criteria are present  
Unlikely: <2 criteria are present

# HHT1 vs HHT2

	HHT1	HHT2
Mutation	ENG	ACVRL1
Symptoms		
Epistaxis	++, Younger	+++ <b>, Older</b>
Pulmonary AVM	<b>50-70%</b>	5-10%
Cerebral AVM	<b>10%</b>	1%
Hepatic AVM	40%	<b>60%</b>
GI bleedings	5%	<b>15%</b>
PH	+, post-capillary HOHF	++, post-capillary HOHF, PAH
Prognosis	Good	Good <b>(sl. Better)</b>

# HHT1 vs HHT2

**HHT**  
(mutated genes)



- ENG: co-receptor

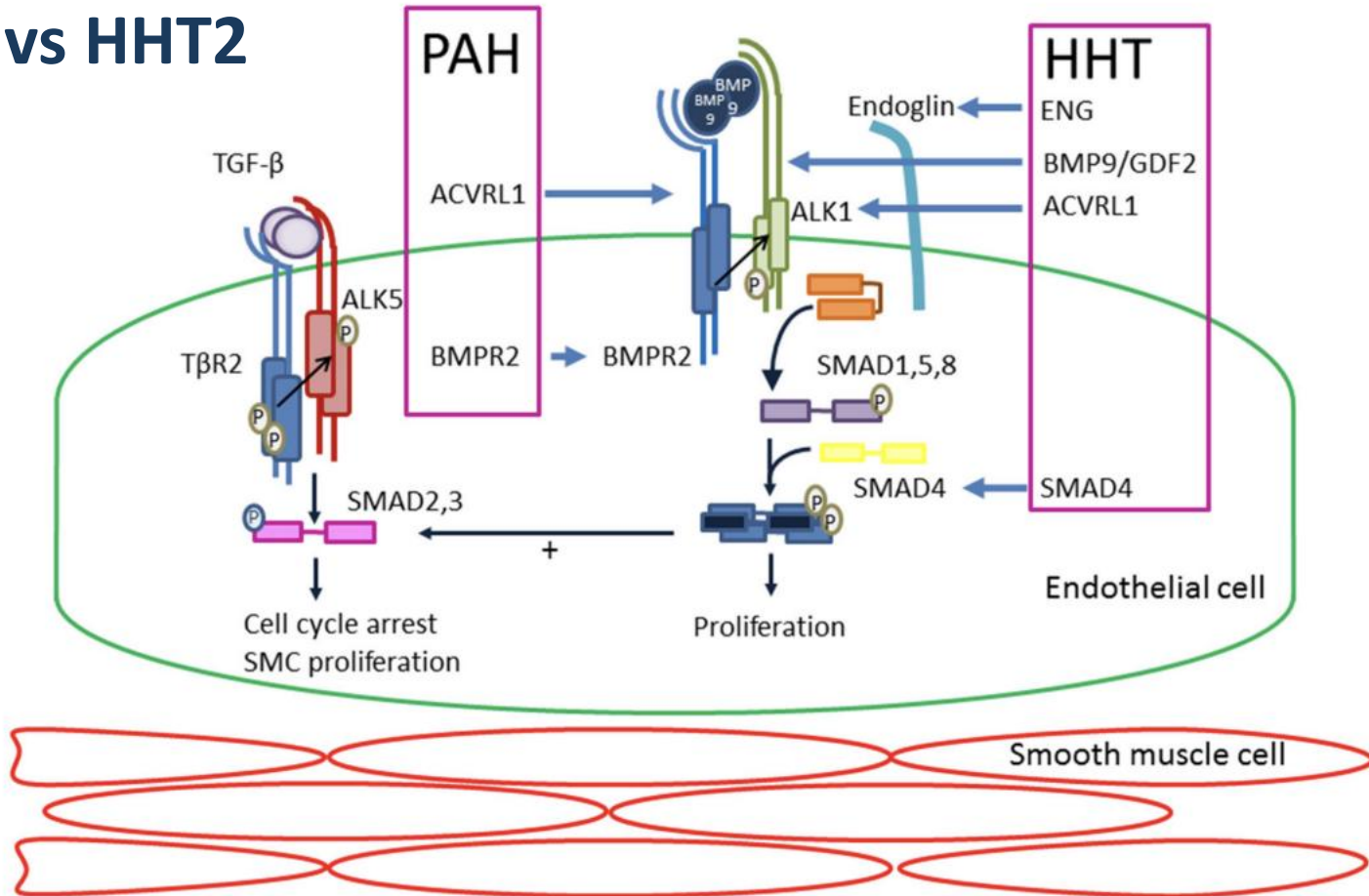
- 높은 혈류의 큰 혈관 내피세포에서 강하게 발현
- Mutation → large AVMs (lung, cerebral)

- ACVRL1: key type I receptor

- 소혈관, 모세혈관 내피세포에서 강하게 발현
- Mutation → small vessels malformations  
→ hepatic AVMs, small vessels occlusions

PAH

# HHT1 vs HHT2



# PH in HHT

## ① **Post-capillary PH** (*more common*)

- Hepatic AVMs  $\pm$  anemia  $\rightarrow$  High-output heart failure (HOHF)
- Elevated PAWP, high cardiac output
- HHT2 > HHT1

## ② **Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension (PAH)** (*less common*)

- Pathogenic mutation of ACVRL1
  - $\rightarrow$  obliterative vasculopathy of small pulmonary arteries
- Pre-capillary pattern: elevated PVR, normal PAWP
- Clinically indistinguishable from IPAH
- Only in HHT2

# PH in HHT

## HHT1/HHT2

Large AVMs



Shunting → High-output



HOHF



**Post-capillary PH**

## HHT2

ACVRL1 malfunction



BMP signaling malfunction



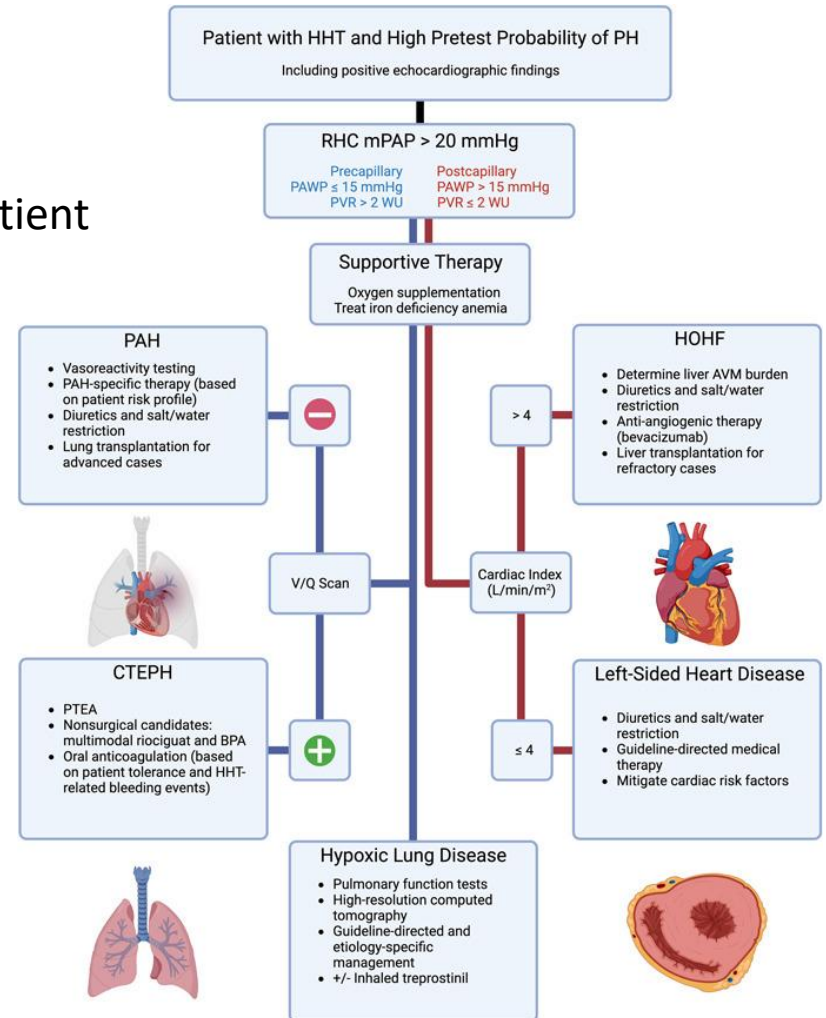
Proliferative endothelial signaling



**PAH**

# PH in HHT

- Multiple etiologies may coexist in a single patient  
→ complete hemodynamic profiling (RHC) is encouraged
- Treatment should be individualized



## Summary

- PAH can precede overt HHT manifestations by decades.
- ACVRL1 mutation with PAH is clinically indistinguishable from IPAH.
- PH in HHT has multiple etiologies.
- Early genetic diagnosis matters.

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**Thank you for your attention!**