



# Acute cardiogenic shock with standing-still heart

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# Case

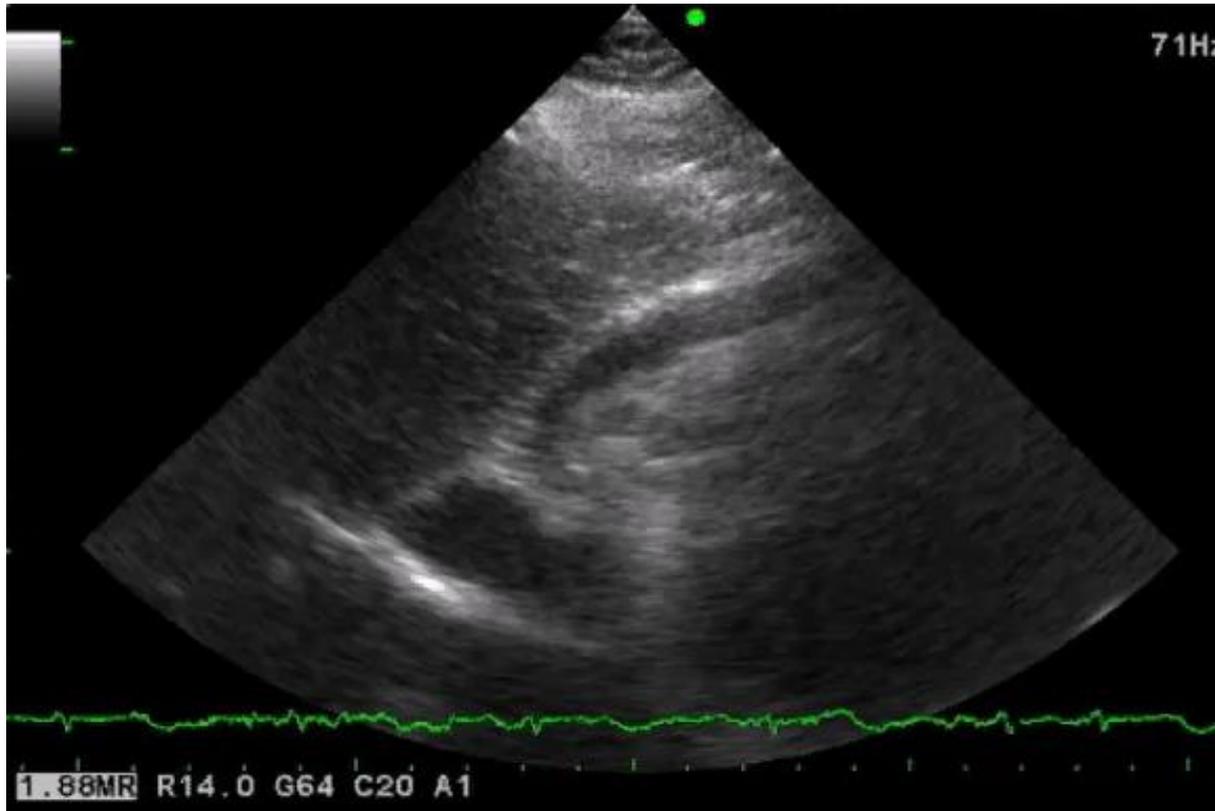
- 49 YO Female
- Chief complaint:
  - Febrile sensation with edema (onset: 5DA)
- Present illness (1)
  - 13YA ulcerative colitis diagnosed, well controlled with mesalazine
  - 2WA Exertional chest pain developed
    - emergency department in other hospital

# Echocardiography

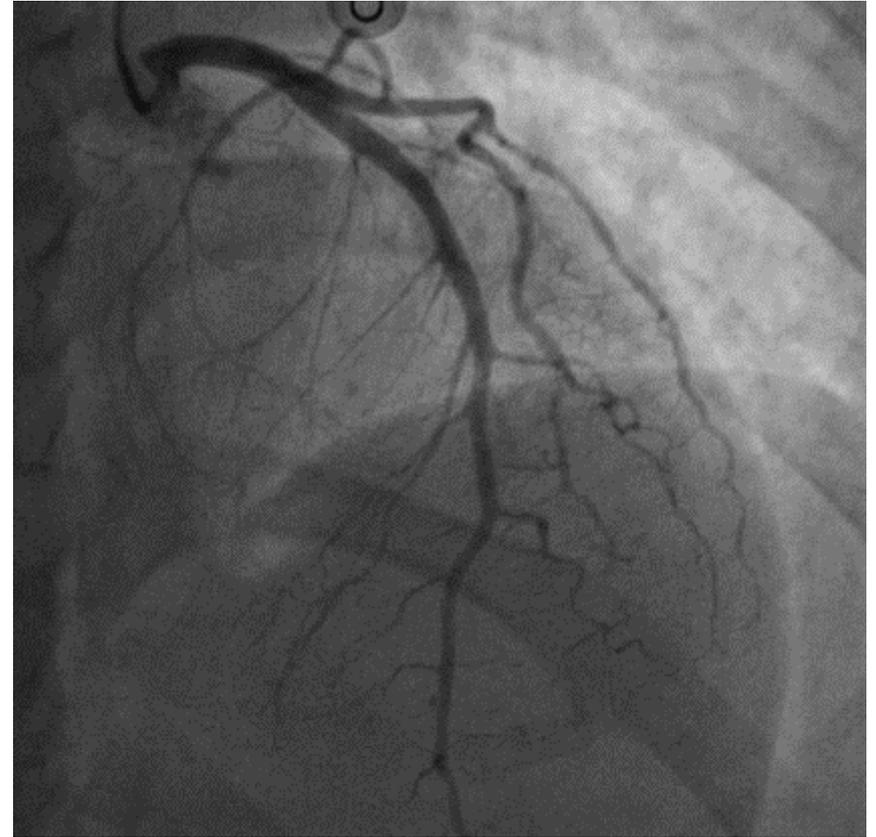
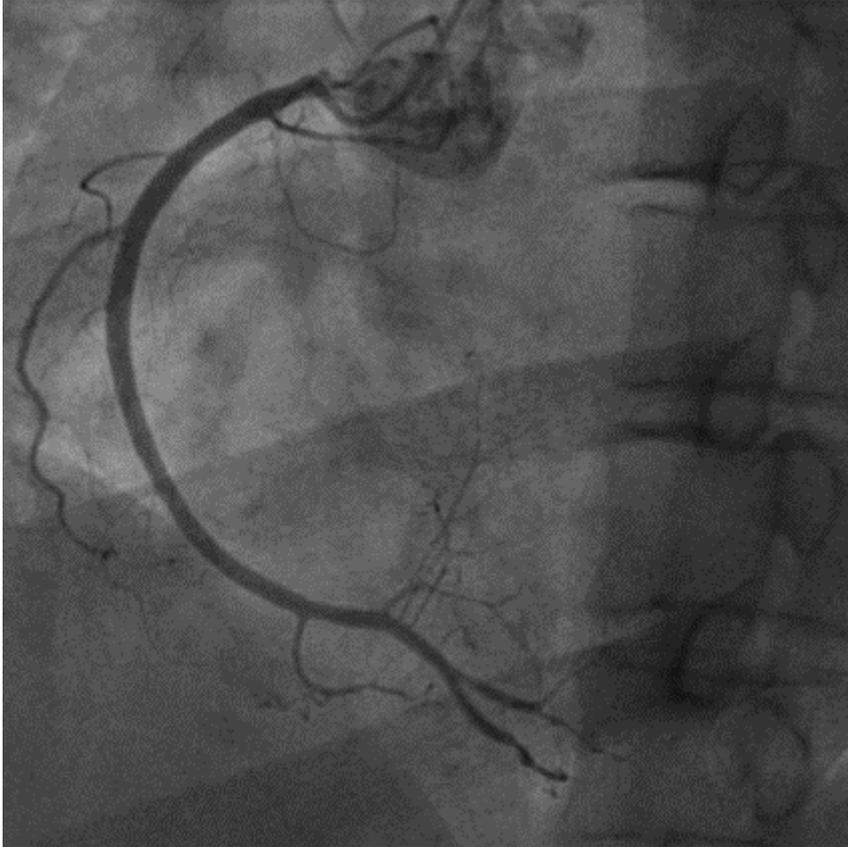




# Echocardiography



# Coronary angiography



→ Discharged with sustained symptoms

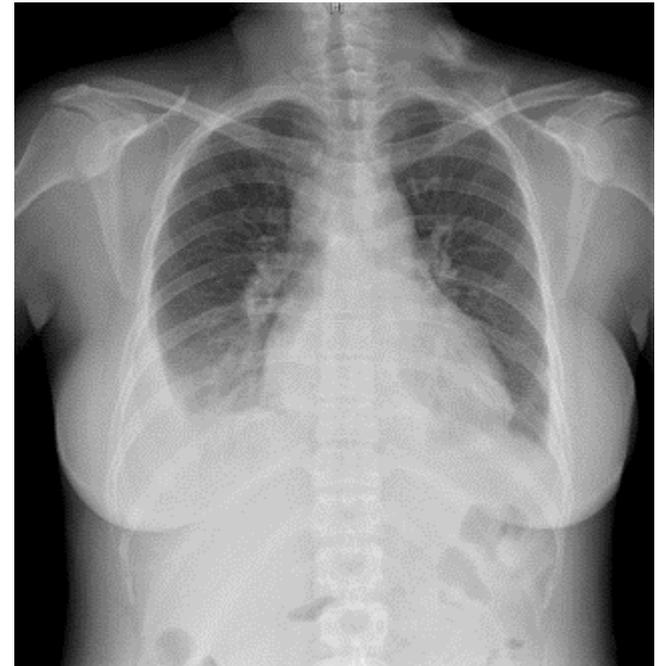
# Hospital course

- Present illness (2)

1WA exertional chest pain sustained

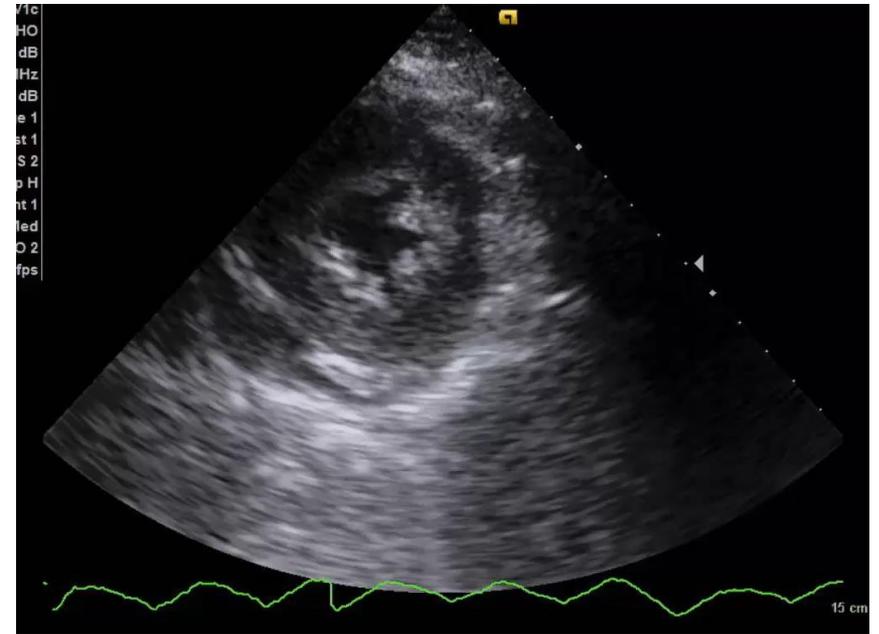
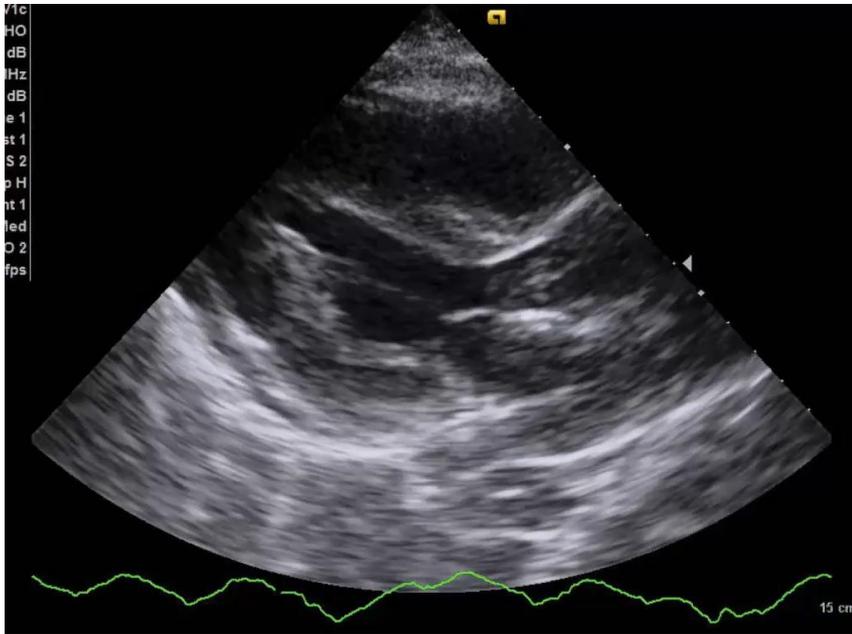
febrile sensation, general weakness, edema of  
L/Ex , cough developed

5DA visited ER again



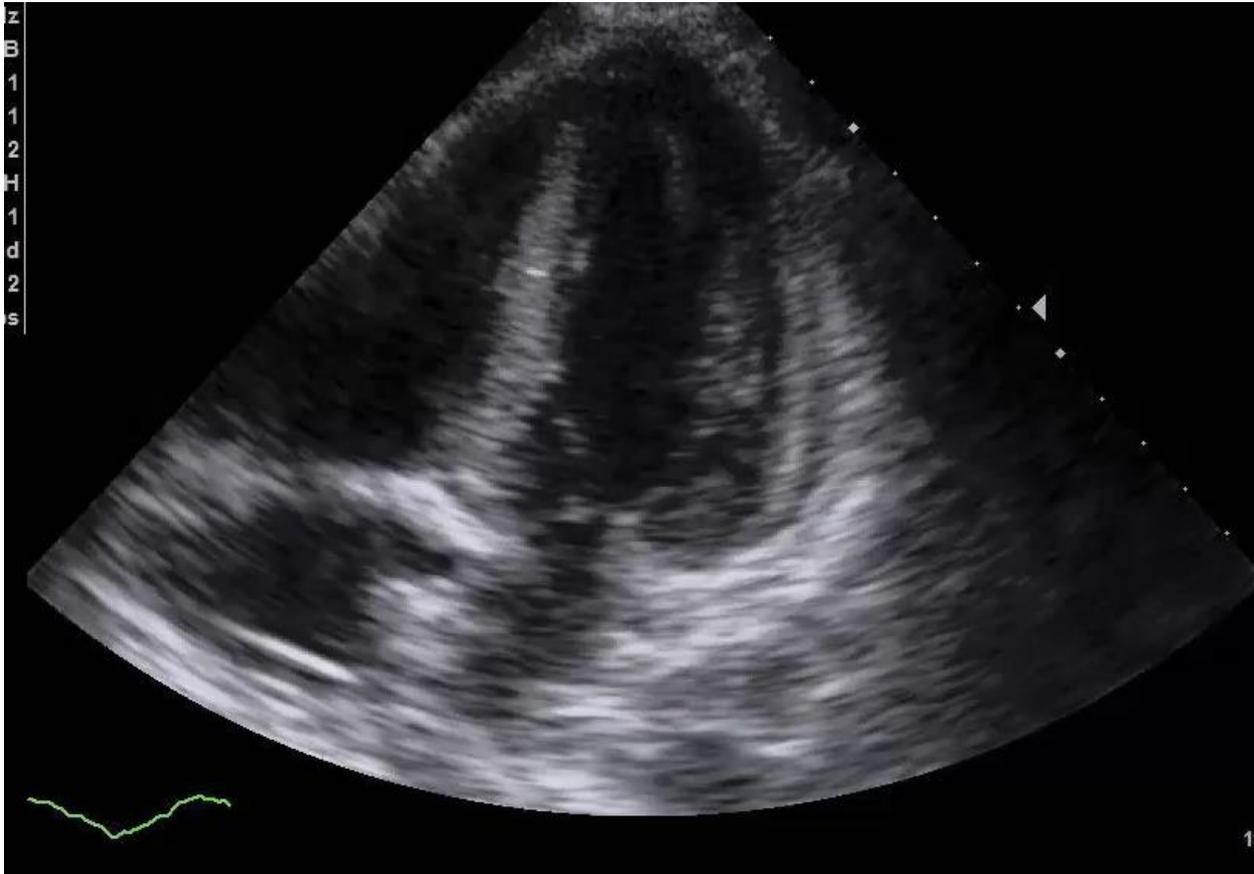


# Follow-up echocardiography





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# Myocarditis

## Criteria

**Possible** subclinical acute myocarditis

In the clinical context of possible myocardial injury **without cardiovascular symptoms** but with at least one of the following

1. Biomarkers of cardiac injury↑
2. ECG findings suggestive of cardiac injury
3. Abnormal cardiac function on Echo or CMR

**Probable** acute myocarditis



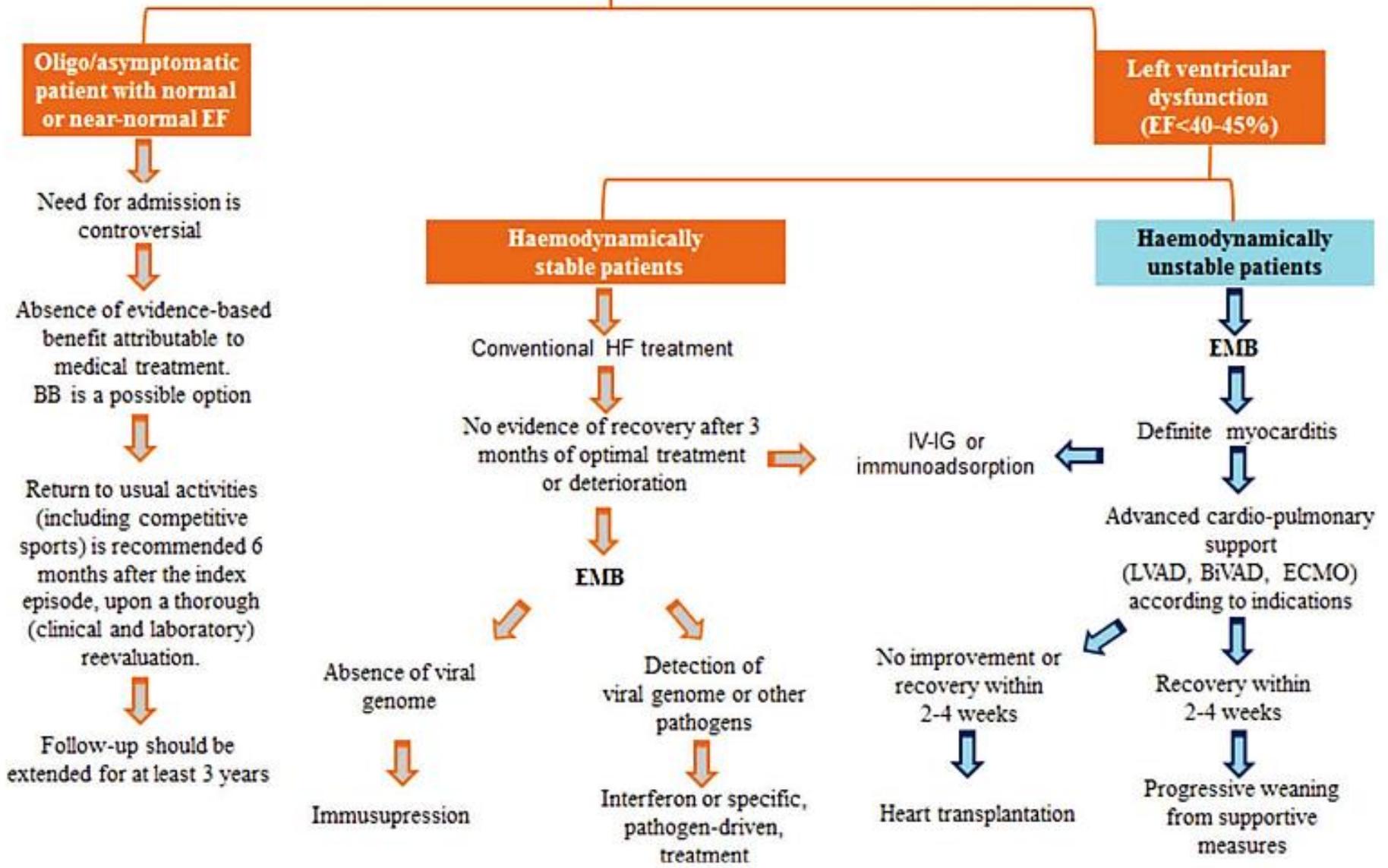
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**Definite** myocarditis

Histological or immunohistological evidence of myocarditis

**Therapeutic algorithm in suspected acute myocarditis**





# Hospital course

- Present illness (3)

2DA chest tightness aggravated, nausea developed  
NPO + TPN started

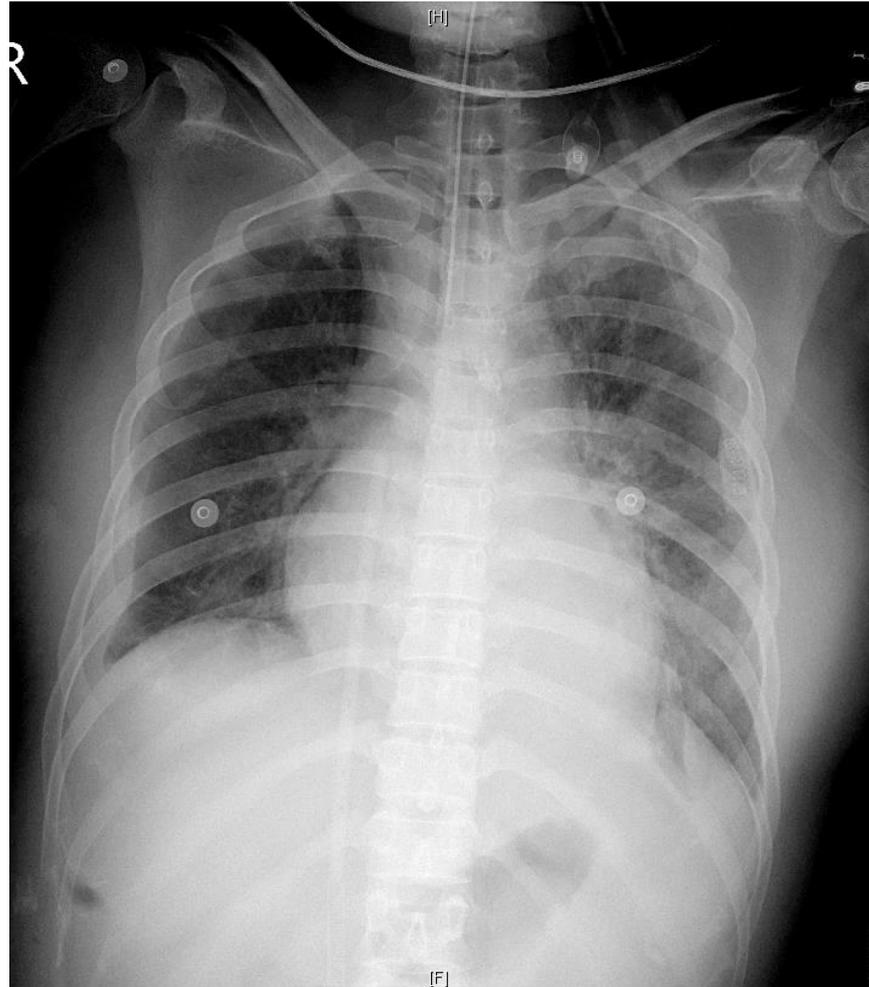
1DA 2am Transient loss of consciousness after  
defecation

7am found with pulseless electrical activity  
CPR during 1 hour → VA ECMO inserted  
during CPR

HD1 transferred to SMC

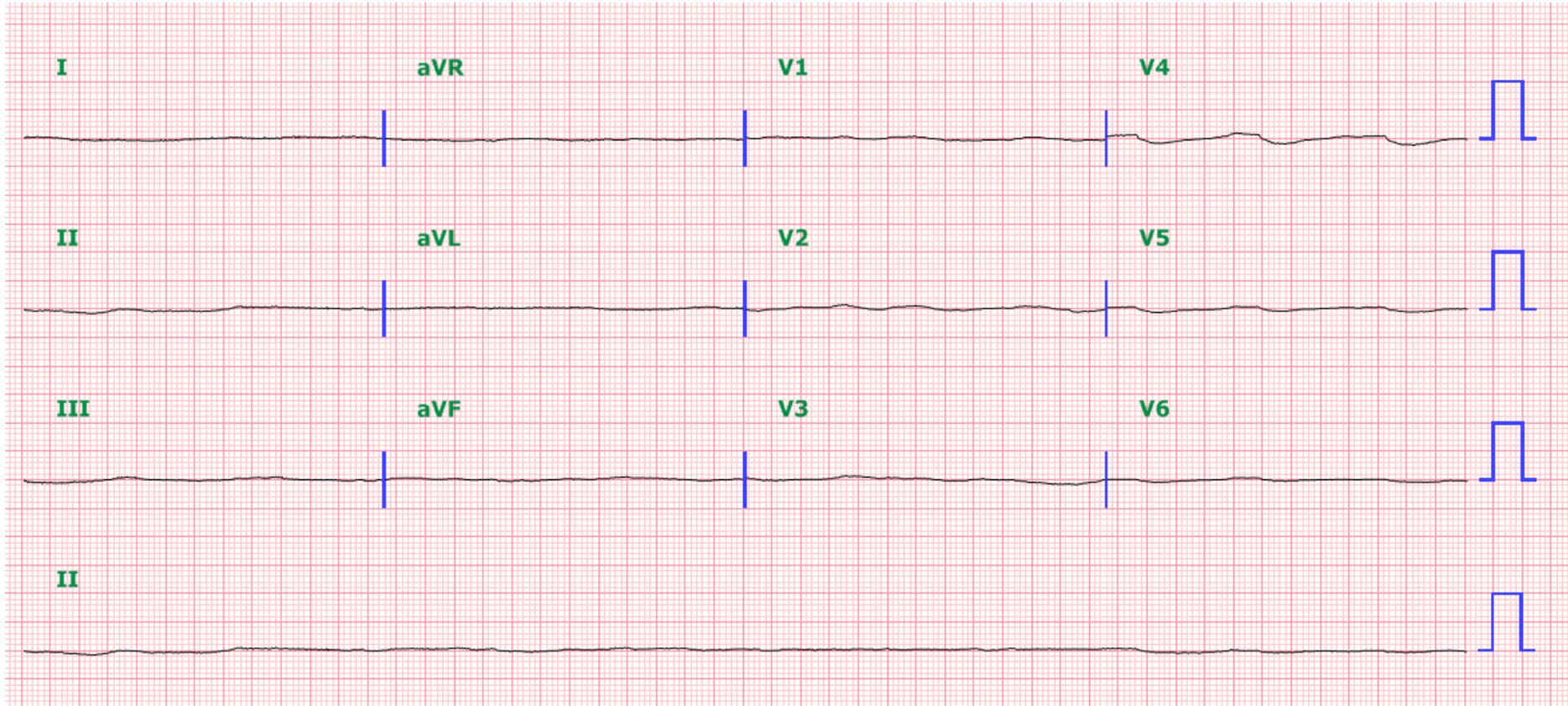
mental alert, V/S: BT 34.7, SpO2 92%

# Chest X-ray





# Electrocardiogram





# Laboratory finding

- CBC 16060-9.9-142K
- PT INR 1.27
- T-B 2.1<sub>U/L</sub>, AST/ALT 1076/799<sub>U/L</sub>
- Lactic acid 3.53 mmol/L
- BUN/Cr 37.8<sub>mg/dL</sub>/1.76<sub>mg/dL</sub>, e- 138-4.2-104<sub>mmol/L</sub>
- CK-MB 96.67<sub>ng/mL</sub>, cTnI 7.834<sub>ng/mL</sub>

LV venting and Heart biopsy was planned

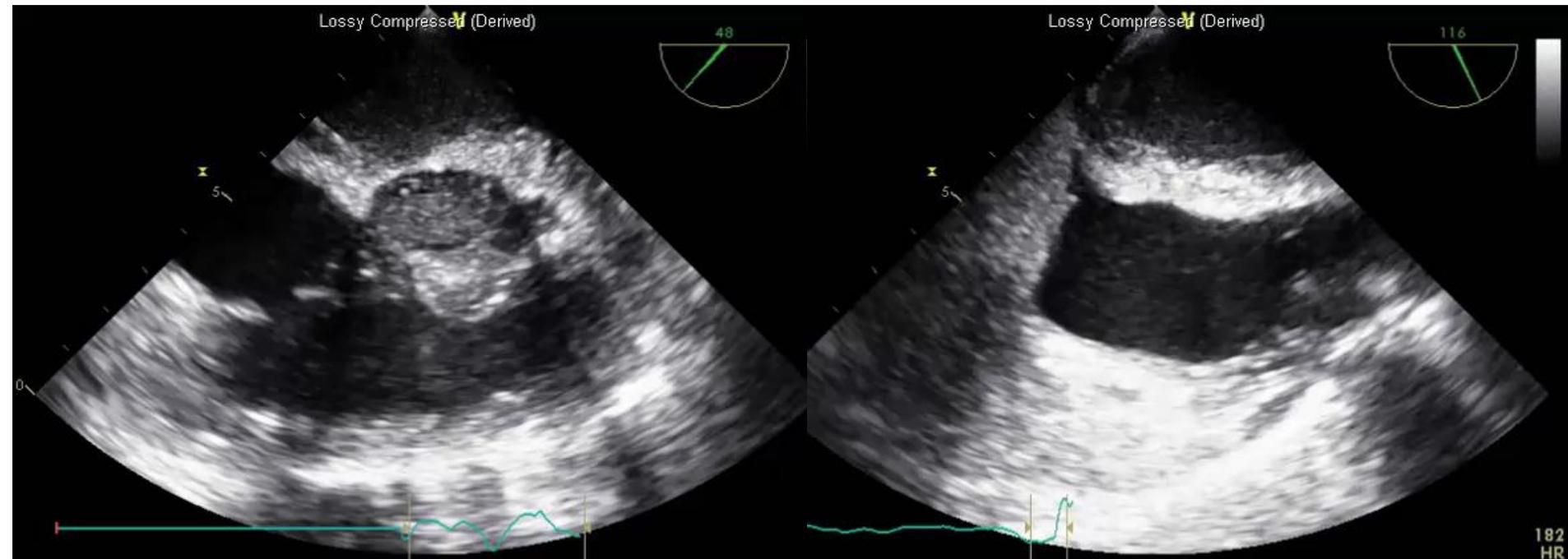
Histologic classification:

Eosinophilic vs. lymphocytic vs. granulomatous vs. giant cell

# TEE

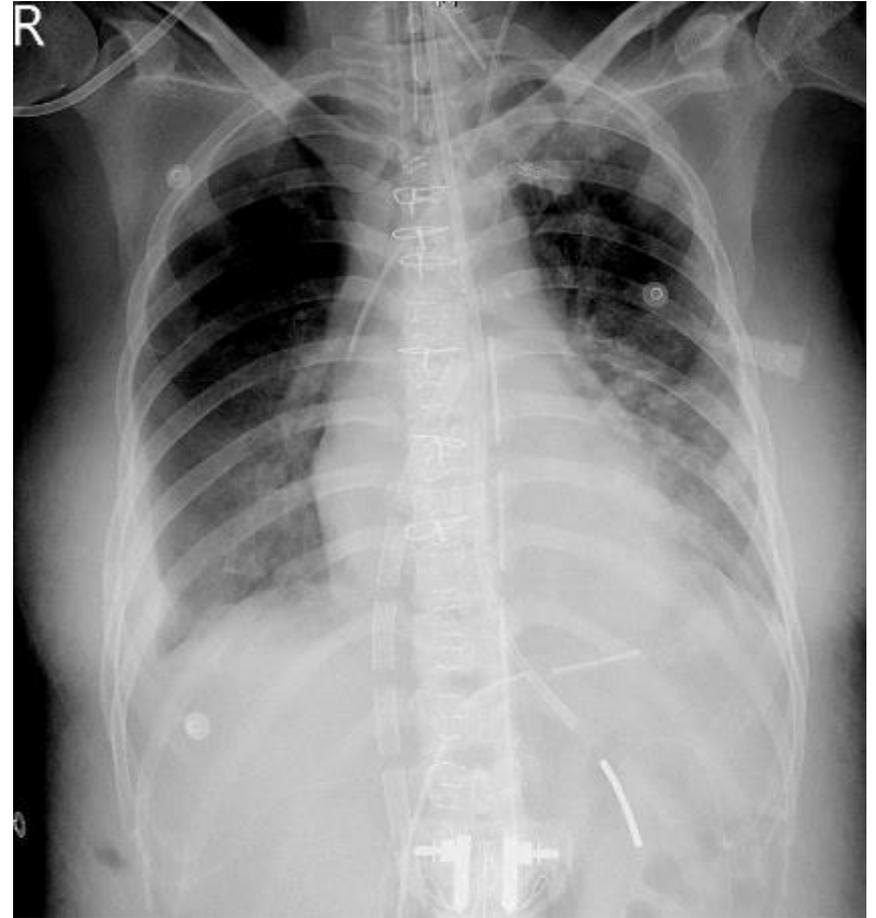


# TEE



# Hospital course

HD1 op. was proceeded.  
no LV thrombus was found  
atrial septectomy & biopsy  
of RV myocardium





# Hospital course

HD3 T-B 1.3, AST/ALT 154/218, lactic acid 1.64

BUN/Cr 24.9/1.7

Biopsy: (septum, RA wall):

. Diffuse chronic and acute inflammatory infiltration with frequent multinucleated giant cells and myocardial damage, consistent with giant cell myocarditis

→ Steroid pulse therapy (mPd 1g)

HD6 T-B 1.2, AST/ALT 28/91, lactic acid 1.53

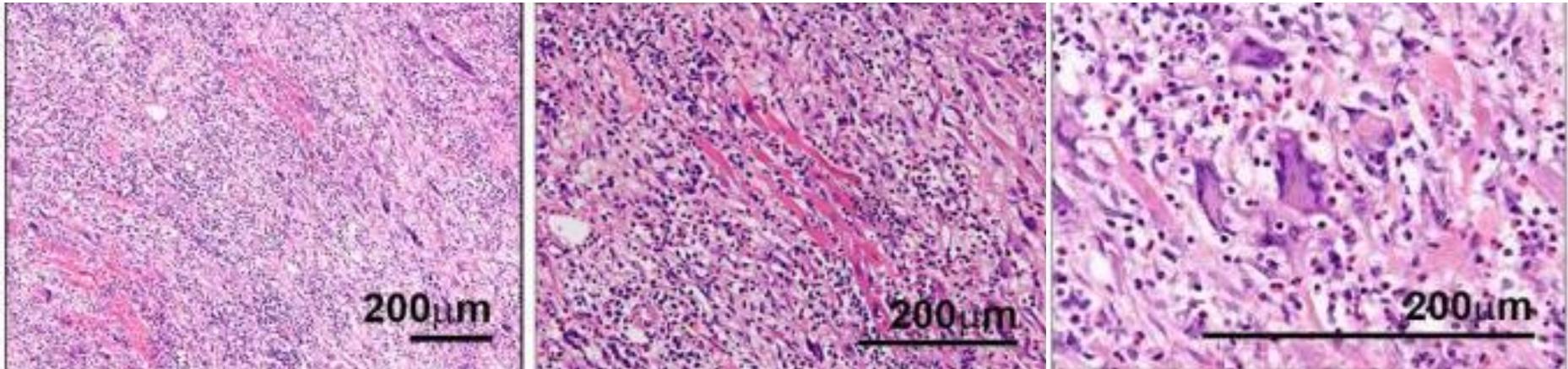
BUN/Cr 21.7/1.51

Heart transplant was done

HD82 Discharged without complication

# Giant cell myocarditis

- Can deteriorate rapidly over hours to days  
→ Initial ICU care is recommended





# Giant cell myocarditis

## Multicenter Giant Cell Myocarditis Study Group

- 63 giant cell myocarditis
- Median TPL-free survival without immunosuppression : 12 weeks
- 89% of death or HTPL (34 HTPL, 22 death): majority < 1Yr
  - 20-25% of recurrence in graft after HTPL  
But only 15% died within 3 years after HTPL
  - Modulating Immunosuppressives usually resolves giant cell myocarditis



# Giant Cell myocarditis

- From 1991 through May 2015
- Helsinki University Central Hospital.
- a total of 46 patients with histologically-confirmed GCM
- TPL-free survival: 42% at 5 years from symptom onset in all patients

## Therapy

Immunosuppressive therapy <sup>a</sup>	37/38 (97)
Prednisone	37/37 (100)
Azathioprine	31/37 (84)
Cyclosporine	28/37 (76)
Other <sup>b</sup>	7/37 (19)
<u>Triple combination therapy<sup>c</sup></u>	<u>26/37 (70)</u>
Beta-adrenergic blockers	39 (85)
ACE inhibitors	33 (72)
Amiodarone	28 (61)
ICD implanted (total)	26 (57)
Primary prevention	21 (46)
Secondary prevention	5 (11)
Permanent pacemaker	8 (17)
Left ventricular assist device	2 (4)
Extracorporeal membrane oxygenation	2 (4)



# Giant Cell myocarditis

Predictor	e/n	HR	P value
LVEF by echocardiography, per +5%	25/45	0.87 (0.75-0.99)	0.047
NT-proBNP, per +1000ng/L	16/36	1.06 (1.03-1.10)	<0.001
Troponin-T >85ng/L (median)	19/38	4.57 (1.63-11.28)	0.003
Grade 2-3 myocyte necrosis	17/37	4.29 (1.63-11.28)	0.003
Grade 2-3 myocardial fibrosis	17/37	2.37 (0.83-6.82)	0.109
Grade 2-3 necrosis or fibrosis	17/37	7.17 (2.29-22.40)	<0.001
Triple drug immunosuppression*	17/37	0.39 (0.15-1.01)	0.051

Triple drug immunosuppression: steroid, azathioprine, cyclosporine



# Summary

- Hemodynamically-unstable myocarditis requires endomyocardial biopsy to conclude
  - the prognosis
  - Need of immunosuppression
- Giant cell myocarditis presents poor prognosis
  - Immunosuppression!
  - Consider mechanical circulatory support as bridge-to-transplant to save the life



**Thank you for your attention**

