3rd stress echocardiograhy reading course

Mitral stenosis and regurgitation

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Mitral stenosis according European and American guidelines

Severe mitral stenosis at rest	ESC/EACTS 2012	ACC/AHA 2014
Mitral valve area [cm2]	< 1.0	< 1.5
		(very severe < 1.0)
		(progressive 1.5-2.0)
Mean pressure gradient [mm Hg]	>10	> 5-10



Mitral stenosis Indication for stress echocardiography

non-severe ('progressive') mitral stenosis on rest echocardiography with symptoms

Exercise stress (dobutamine stress)

Severe mitral stenosis, but 'asymptomatic'
 Exercise ECG sufficient



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Progressive mitral stenosis (ACC/AHA 2014	Severe mitral stenosis (ASE 2017 stress
valvular heart disease guidelines)	echocardiography guidelines)
MVA 1.5 – 2 cm2	
Pressure half time <150 ms	
Mild-moderate LA enlargement	
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Normal/elevated KV systolic pressure	
Transvalvular gradient	<pre>>15mmHg (exercise) or >18mmHg (dobutamine)</pre>



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PMBC may be considered in symptomatic patients with [non-severe] mitral stenosis at rest (MVA >1.5 cm2) if there is evidence of hemodynamically significant MS during exercise (Class IIb, level of evidence C)".

AHA 2014 Valvular Disease guidelines



Protocol: Exercise bicycle Target HR: 152 bpm Maximum Predicted HR: 179 bpm % Maximum Predicted HR: 89 %

Stage	Heart Rate (bpm)	BP	Comment
Rest	72	142/85	no symptoms
25 WATTS	107	167/117	no symptoms
50 WATTS	160	188/107	severe dyspnea, no chest pain
Recovery	83	101/83	dyspnea resolved

Maximum Stress HR: 160 bpm



Mitral stenosis transvalvular gradients



Mitral stenosis tricuspid regurgitation (CW Doppler)



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Mitral stenosis results of stress echocardiography

	Rest	Peak Stress
RVSP	29.6 mmHg	69.8 mmHg

Mitral Stenosis

	Rest	Peak Stress
Mean pressure gradient	10.0 mmHg	23.4 mmHg

Normal/elevated RV systolic pressure	RVSP rises to >60 mm HG	
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Mitral regurgitation Indication for stress echocardiography 1

non-severe <u>primary</u> mitral regurgitation on rest echocardiography with symptoms

Exercise stress echo (dobutamine stress echo)

- Severe primary mitral regurgitation, but 'asymptomatic'
 - Exercise ECG usually sufficient to demonstrate normal or abnormal exercise tolerance (exercise stress may be considered to demontrast increase in PAP >60 mm Hg)



Mitral regurgitation Indication for stress echocardiography II

- non-severe <u>functional</u> mitral regurgitation on rest echocardiography but recurrent unexplained pulmonary edema
 - Exercise stress (dobutamine stress) for assessment of
 - myocardial ischemia,
 - Severity of mitral regurgitation
 - LV function
 - LVOT gradient



Mitral regurgitation marker of poor prognosis which favor consideration of surgery

	Change during exercise
Severity of regurgitation*	Increase by > <u>1</u> grade (from moderate to severe)
RV systolic pressure	Increases to ≧ 60 mm Hg
Contractile reserve EF GLS	<5% increase <2% increase

*severity of regurgitation should be assessed by effective orifice area EOA, vena contracta, pulmonary venous flow







Lung ultrasound an additional method for stress echocardiography

REST





Mitral valve prosthesis Indication for stress echocardiography

- mild to moderate elevation of resting transprosthetic gradients -5-10 mm Hg are suspicious of stenosis or patient/prosthesis mismatch
 - Exercise stress echo (dobutamine)
 - Same criteria as for mitral stenosis
- Mild to moderate regurgitation at rest and symptoms
 - Exercise stress echo
 - Same criteria as for primary mitral regurgitation



Mitral valve prosthesis Indication for stress echocardiography

- Small resting effective orifice area (EOA) or abnormal Doppler velocity index combined with reduced LV function
 - Low dose dobutamine



	Normal*	Possible stenosis [‡]	Suggests significant stenosis* [‡]
Peak velocity (m/s) ^{†§}	<1.9	1.9-2.5	≥2.5
Mean gradient (mm Hg) ^{† §}	≤5	6-10	>10
VTI _{PrMv} /VTI _{LVO} †§	<2.2	2.2-2.5	>2.5
EOA (cm ²)	≥2.0	1-2	<1
PHT (ms)	<130	130-200	>200

Table 8 Doppler parameters of prosthetic mitral valve function

Prosthetic MV Jet

LVOT flow



DVI (Doppler velocity index)

$$\frac{VTI_{PrMV}}{VTI_{LVO}} = \frac{42}{16} = 2.6$$

SVI (stroke volume index)

LVOT diameter LVOT VTI BSA

ΔQ

VTI (LVOT)stress – VTI (LVOT)rest VTI (LVOT)rest

EOA (effective orifice area)

