



TAVI during Pregnancy

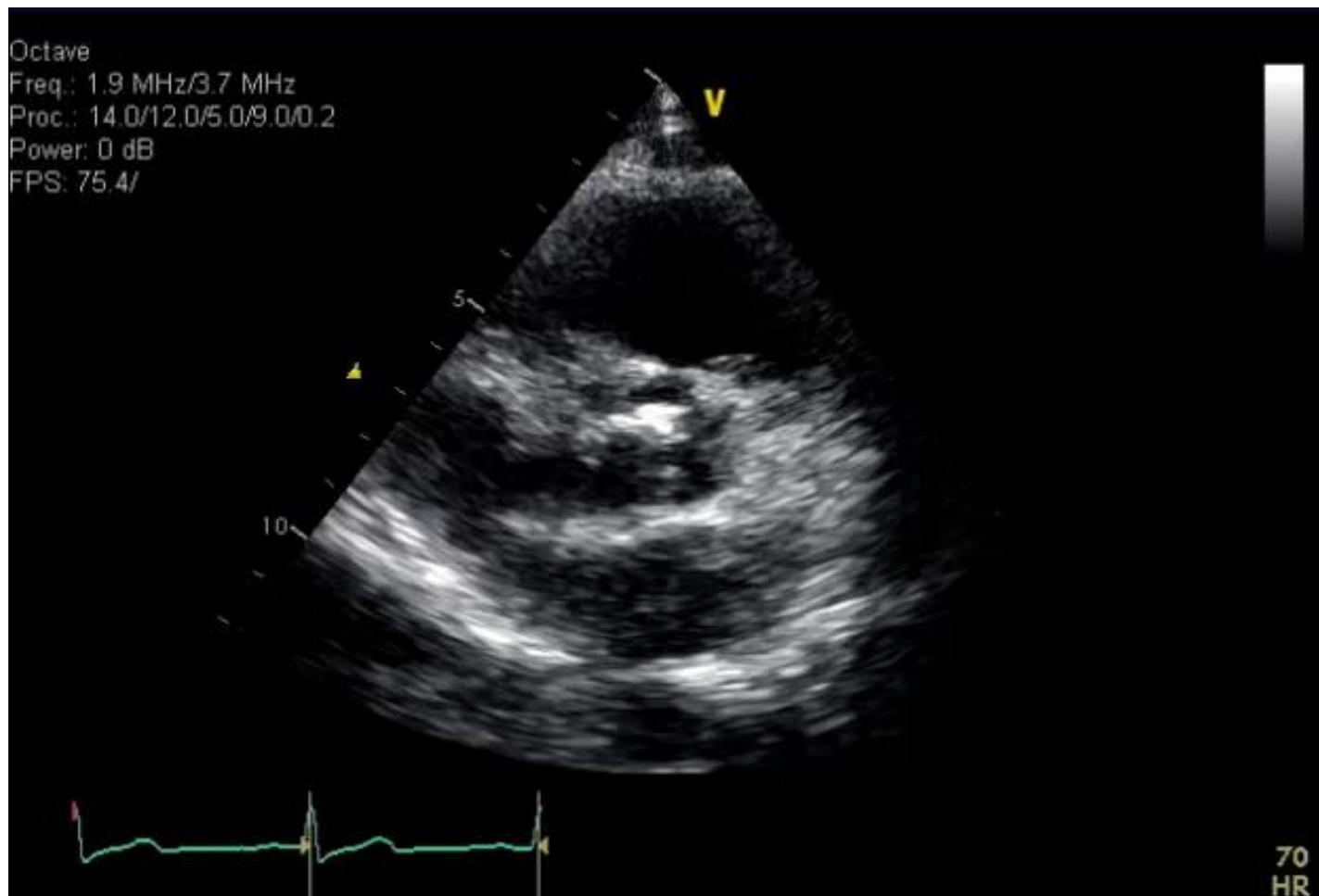
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37 year old pregnant

- P/C: Exertional shortness of breath, chest discomfort at 14 weeks of gestation
- Background
 - Congenital bicuspid Aortic stenosis- moderate severity in 2010
 - Early miscarriage 2012
 - Normal vaginal delivery in 2013
 - Echocardiogram 2019- severe Aortic stenosis with preserved LV function
 - BMI 21

Echocardiogram

- Normal LV function with LVEF 60%
- Bicuspid Aortic valve with raphe seen between the right and non coronary cusps
- Aortic flow velocity **5.1**m/s, an aortic valve mean gradient Of **64.5**mmHG, an aortic valve area of **0.55**cm², mild aortic regurgitation, DI 0.23
- The ascending aorta was mildly enlarged **3.9**cm



1. Balloon aortic valvuloplasty not favoured due to
 1. Uncertain reduction of AS gradient
 2. Uncertain duration of BAV benefit
 3. Higher risk of Aortic regurgitation necessitating TAVI immediately
2. Surgery with tissue AVR – 30% risk of foetal demise and 2.9% maternal mortality due to bypass¹
3. TAVI- offered high level of success, lowest risk and safely bridge to delivery²

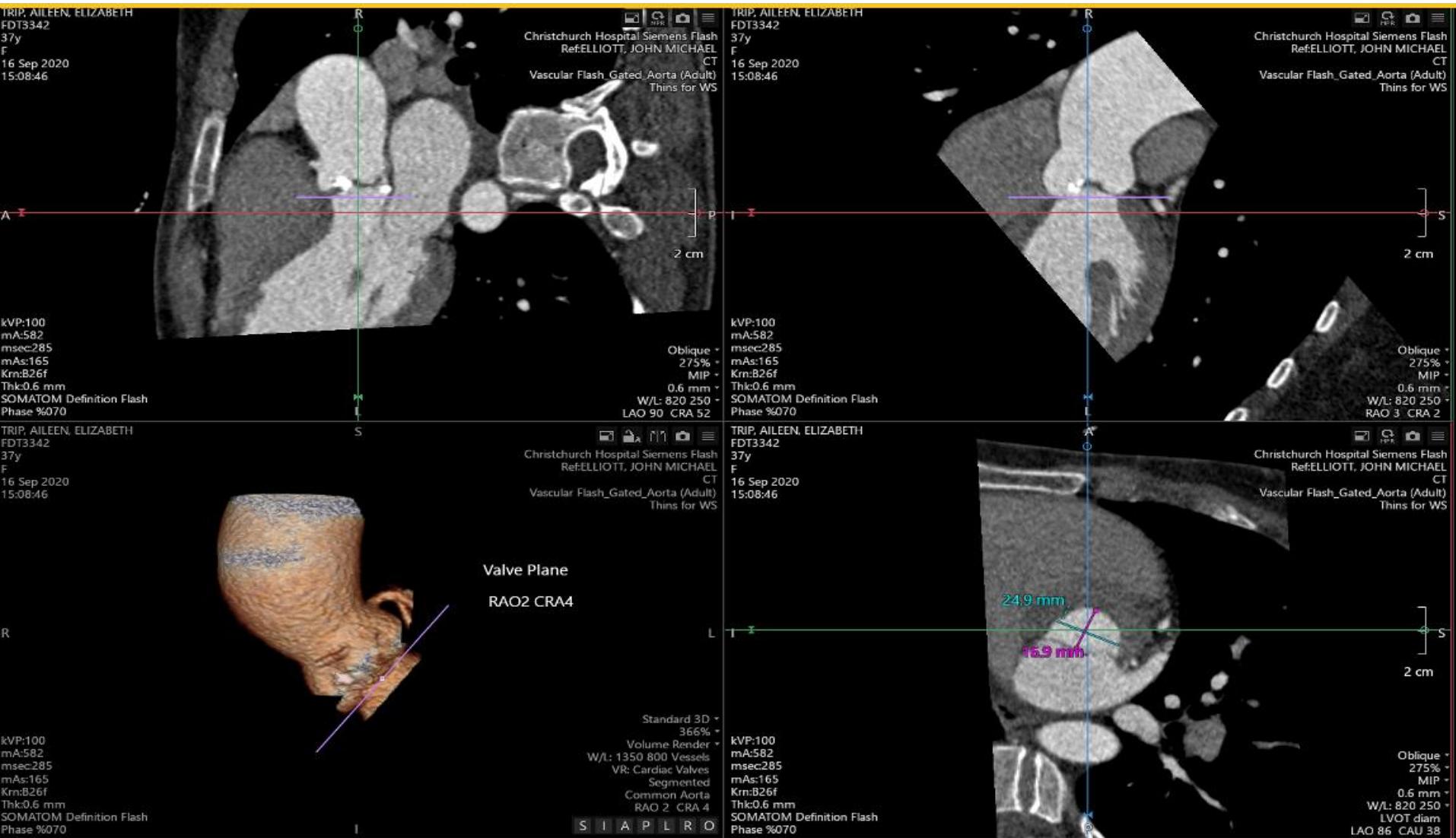
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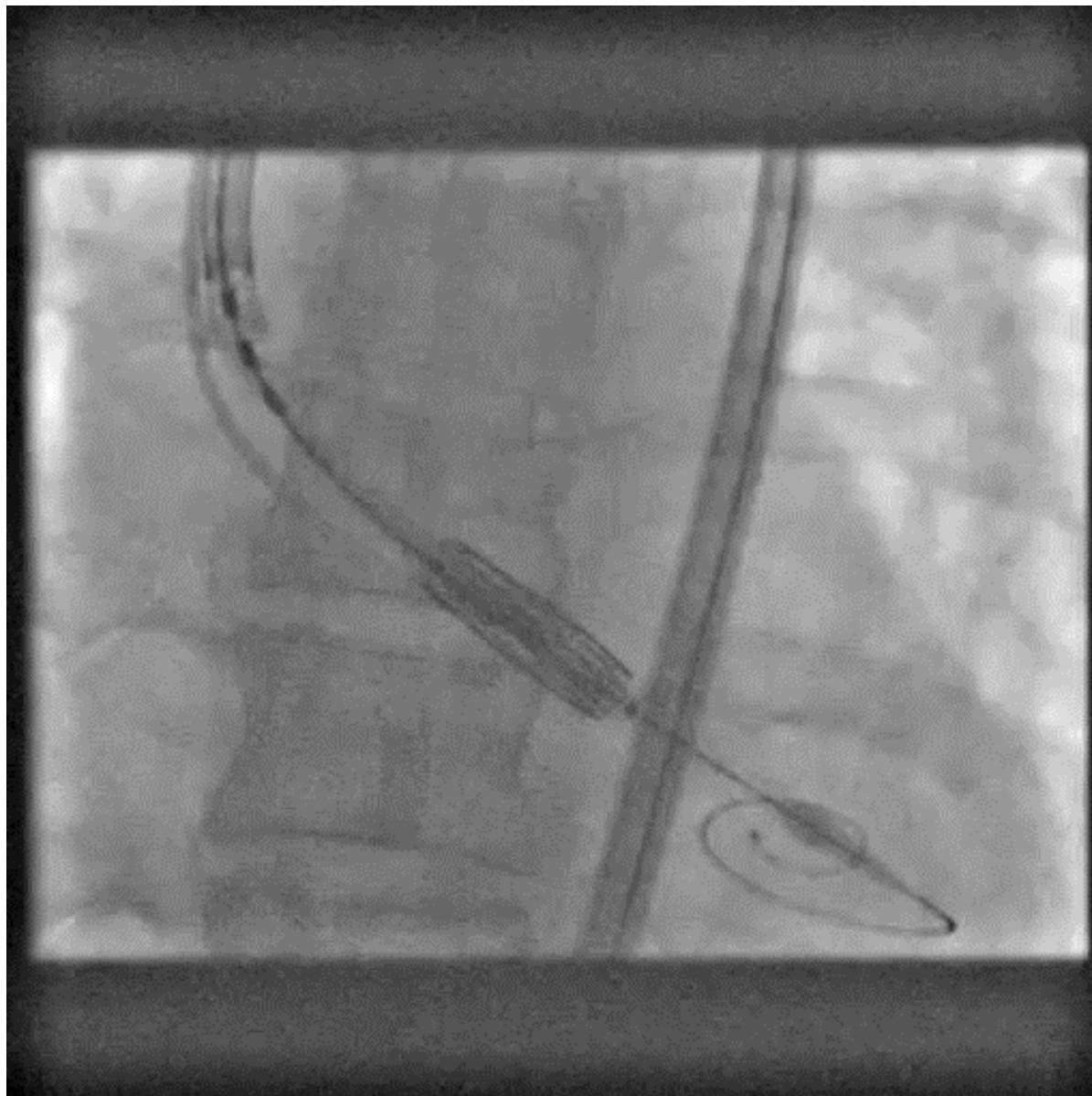
- TAVI is not definitive treatment
- Patient will require definitive treatment in future like Bentalls procedure
- Radiation dose
- Contrast
- Foetal monitoring
- Cardiothoracic back up

- TAVI CT scan limited to aortic valve
- Ultrasound was used to assess the femoral artery and access
- Avoid fluoroscope imaging below diaphragm
- Cine angiography should be avoided
- LV pacing
- Radiographer

TAVI CT scan



23mm Edwards Sapien 3 Ultra valve



TAVI post procedure

- Clinically improved
- Echocardiogram- normal functioning TAVI valve and hyper dynamic LV systolic function
- Fetal monitoring did not reveal any distress
- Radiation exposure: 3.5 mins of fluoroscopy, 10.5mGy and fetal exposure <0.001mGy
- 52 ml of contrast

Few case reports..

World's first TAVI procedure on pregnant patient



For just a moment, put yourself in Sarah Sayle's shoes.

You're a busy mom of two even busier girls, both under the age of two. Juggling the daily demands of an infant and a toddler, you learn there's one more on the way. This time, a baby boy. Life's about to get a whole lot busier.

Clinical Dilemmas in Interventional Cardiology

Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement During Pregnancy

Robert Hodson, MD; Eric Kirker, MD; Jeffrey Swanson, MD; Craig Walsh, MD, MPH;
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Conclusion

- Complex case- TAVI in pregnant patient is possible
- Heart team approach
- Pre procedural planning
- Various modalities to reduce radiation dose