

Ritmo Fetale



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Embriologia Cuore

Sviluppo Cardiovascolare

Inizia con la formazione di **precursori mesodermici precardiaci** durante il processo della gastrulazione
3° settimana

Formazione dell'Abbozzo Cardiaco

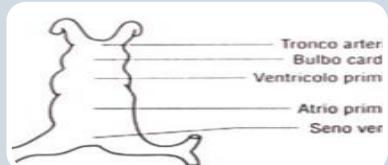
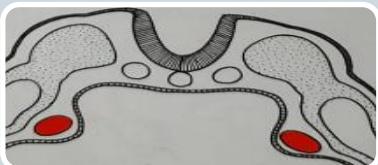
parte del mesoderma laterale migra dalla linea primitiva fino al davanti della membrana faringea e si unisce con la parte omologa del lato opposto

dalla delaminazione di questa porzione originano le pareti della futura cavità pericardica

Splancopleura

Somatopleura

Nella splancopleura al 20° giorno compaiono prima delle isole e poi per confluenza dei tubi endocardiaci



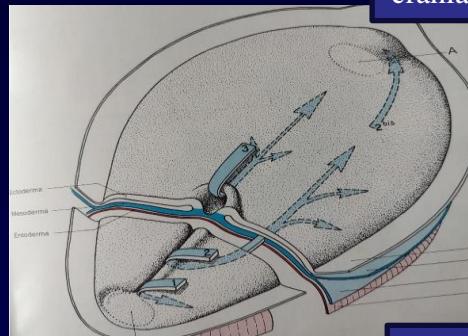
Tubi Cardiaci
21 giorni

Confluenza
centrale

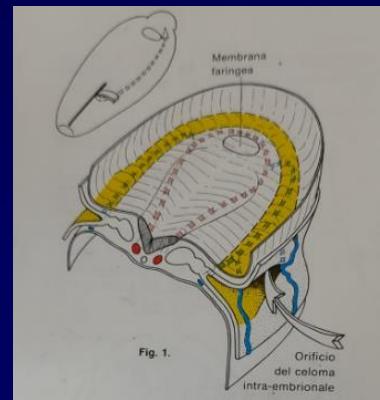
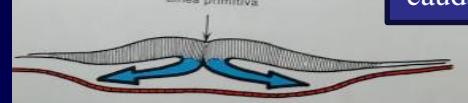
Tubo cardiaco 22°
giorno

Gastrulazione: formazione del terzo foglietto embrionale il cordomesoderma per scivolamento dell'ectoderma a livello della linea primitiva (15°giorno)

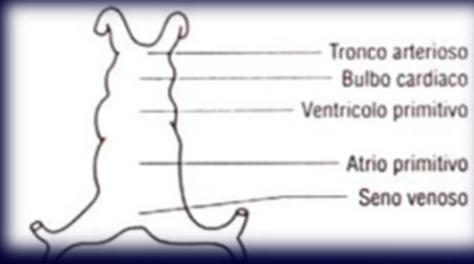
craniale



caudale



Sviluppo Cardiovascolare e Identità Regionale



Battito Cardiaco a 23 giorni (4 settimana) FC 80-90 bpm

dal miocardio primitivo o tubo cardiaco caratterizzato da conduzione lenta e depolarizzazione spontanea (FC 80-90 bpm)



Dal 24° giorno il tubo cardiaco va incontro a ripiegamenti e differenziazione nelle varie componenti all'interno della cavità pericardica che cresce meno

5^a-6^a SETTIMANA (FC 90-110 bpm)

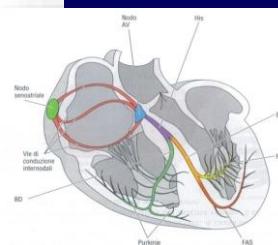
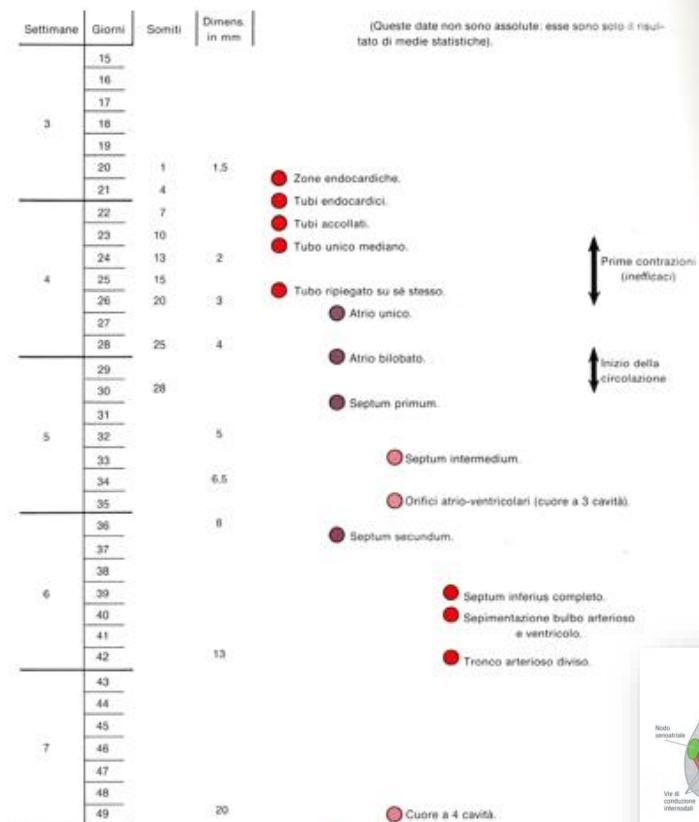
- Divisione atri
- Divisione Ventricoli
- **Formazione Nodo Seno Atriale e conduzione**
(sfarfallio alla transvaginale)

7^a-9^a settimana (FC max 140-170 bpm)

- Il battito diventa visibile e misurabile (m-Mode)

>10^a settimana (FC 110-160 bpm)

- Il battito è misurabile con la funzione M-mode e Doppler pulsato



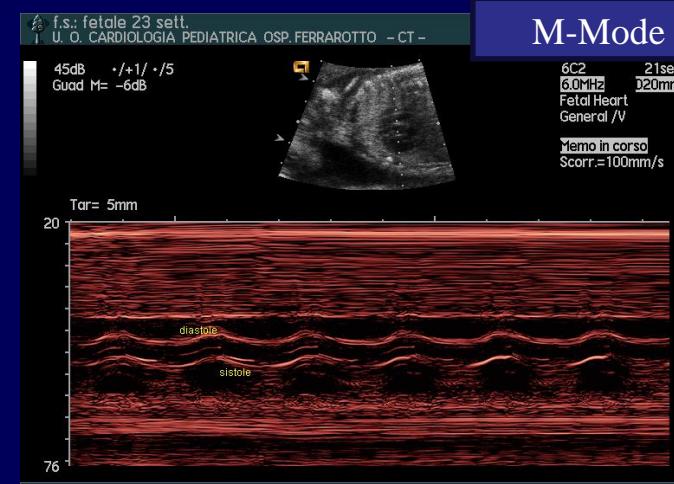
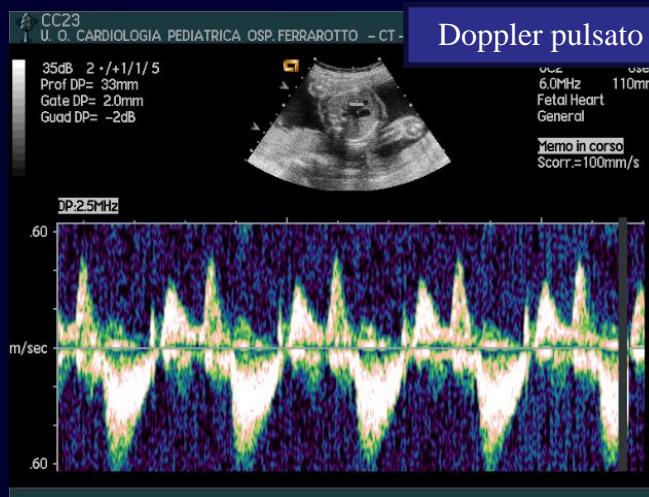
Ecocardiografia Fetale

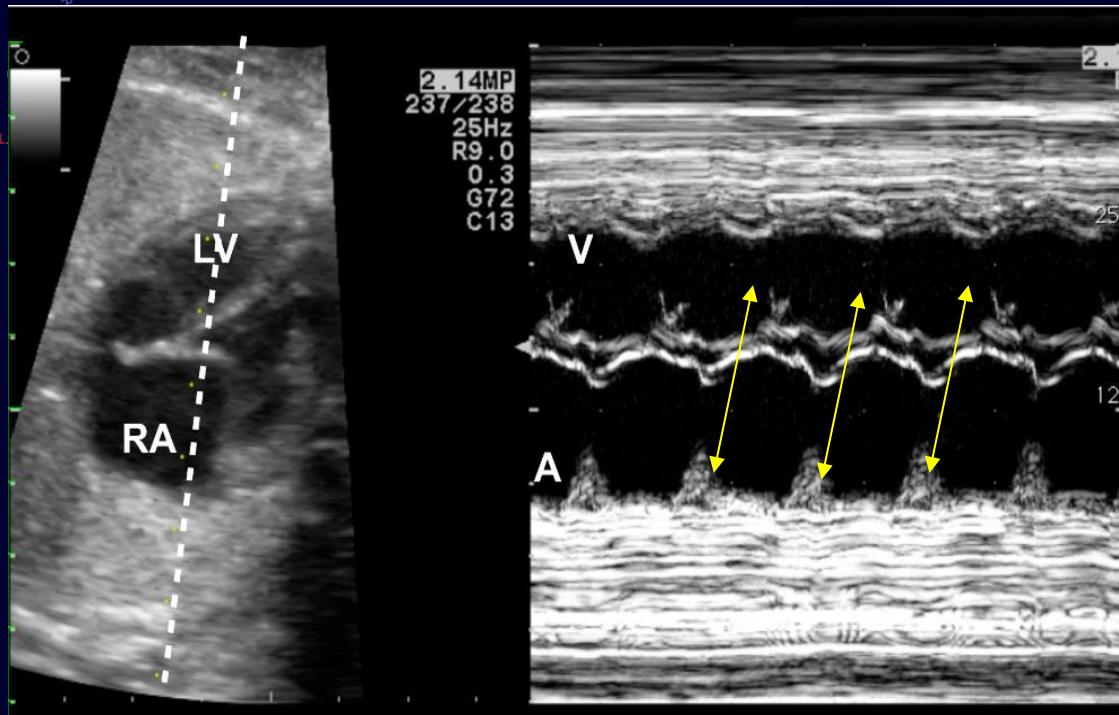
Valutazione Ritmo Cardiaco

Per l'alto potere di risoluzione temporale l'M-Mode ed il Doppler Pulsato vengono usati per lo studio del ritmo cardiaco

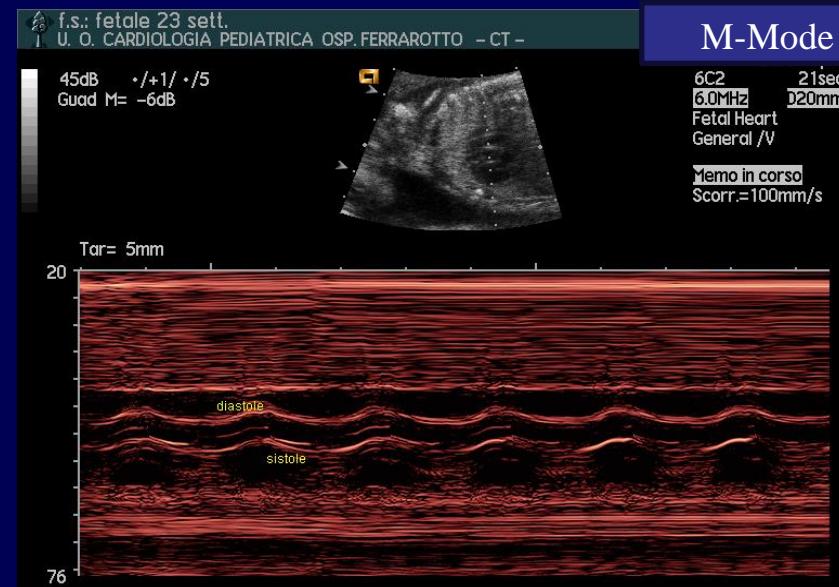


Frequenza cardiaca fetale normale 100-180 bpm

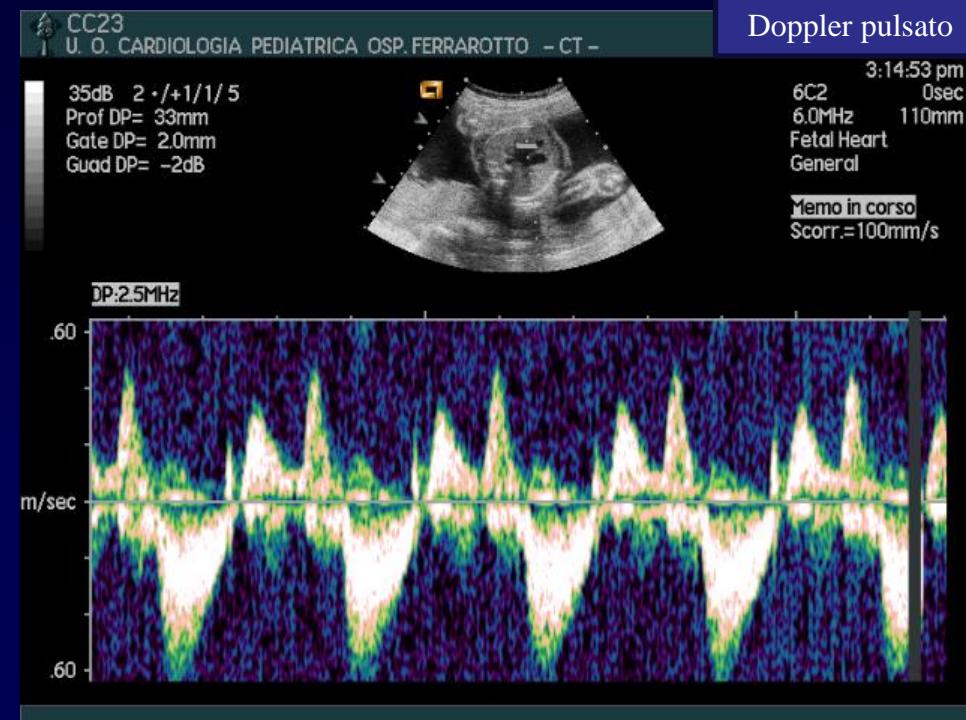




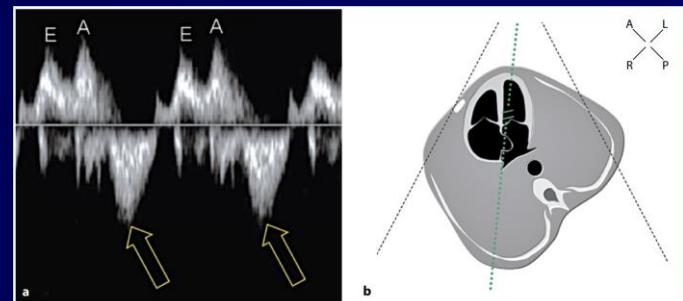
Frequenza cardiaca fetale
normale 100-180 bpm
con rapporto atrio A:V 1:1

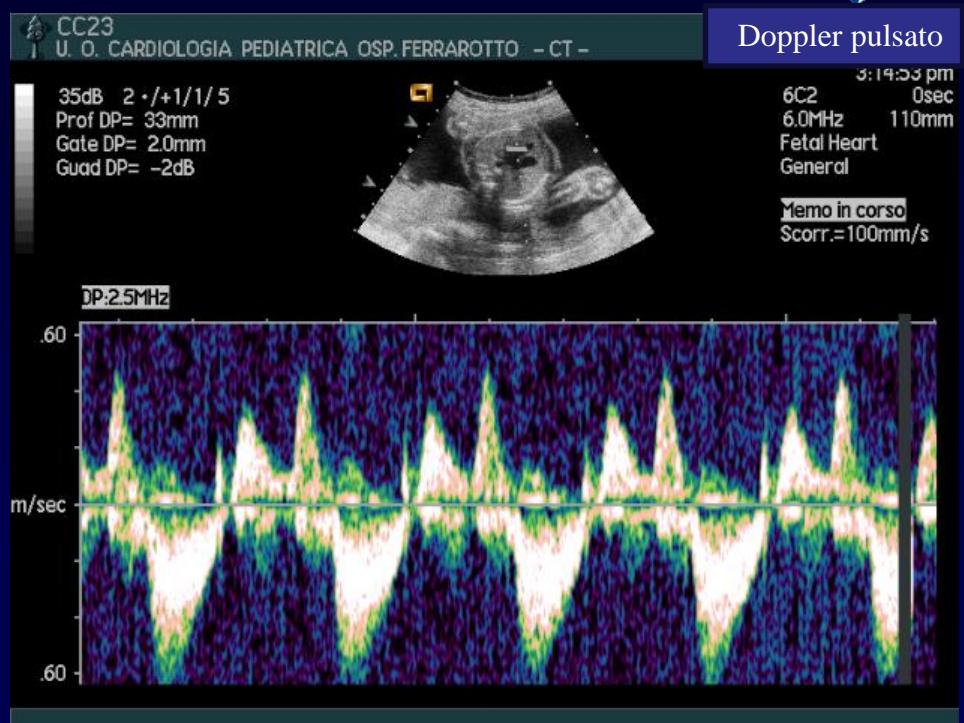
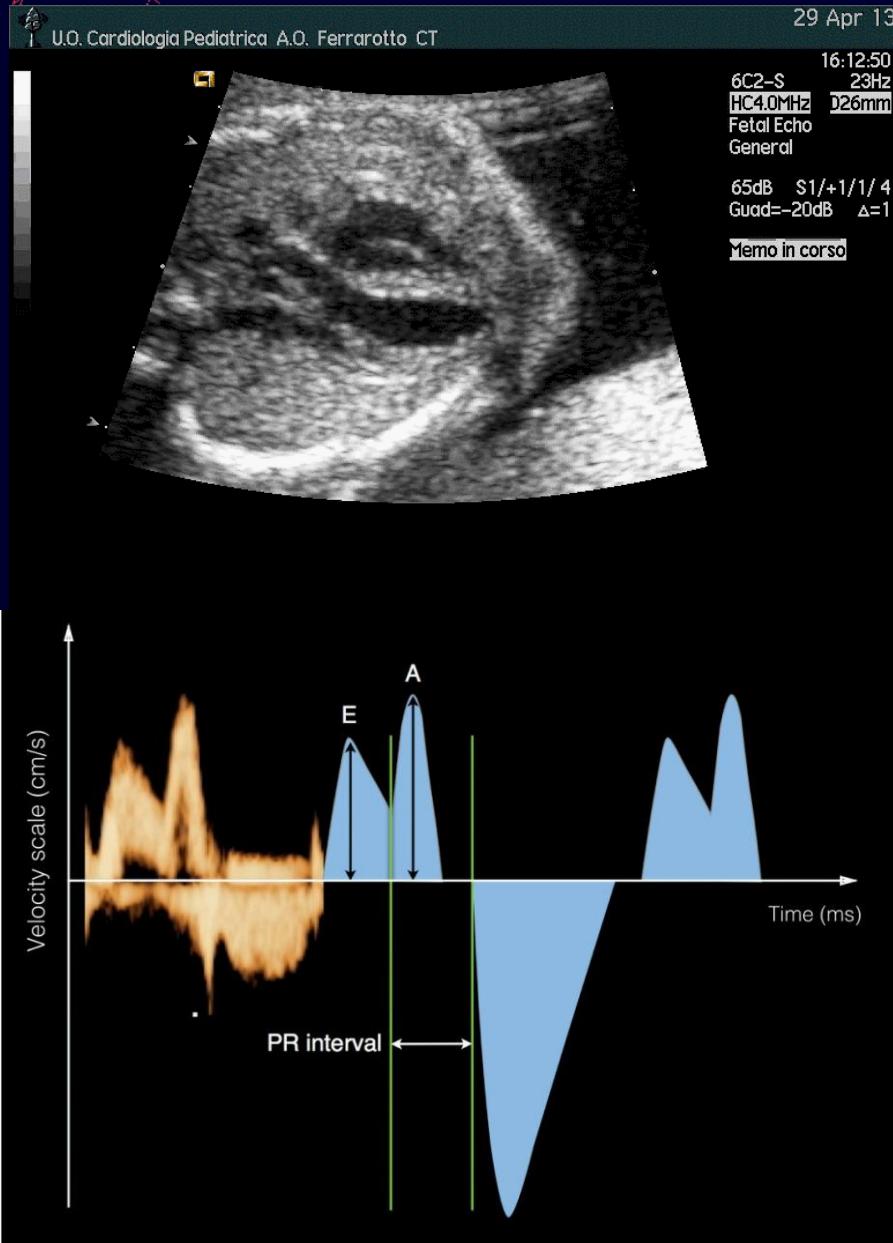


Frequenza cardiaca fetale normale 100-180 bpm con A:V 1:1



Frequenza cardiaca fetale normale
 140 ± 20 bpm dalla 10 settimana
 130 ± 20 bpm vicino a temine gravidanza





PR 15a Settimana 90 msec
PR a termine 100 msec

Ecocardiografia Fetale

Ritmo Cardiaco Tratto PR

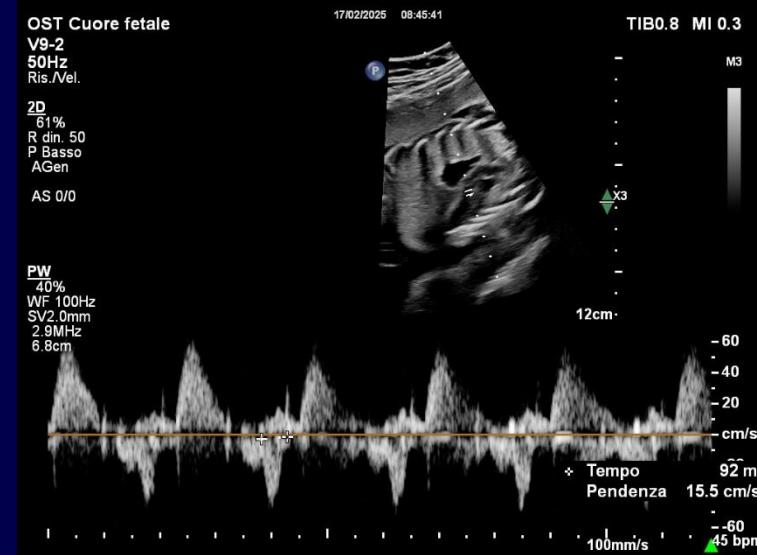
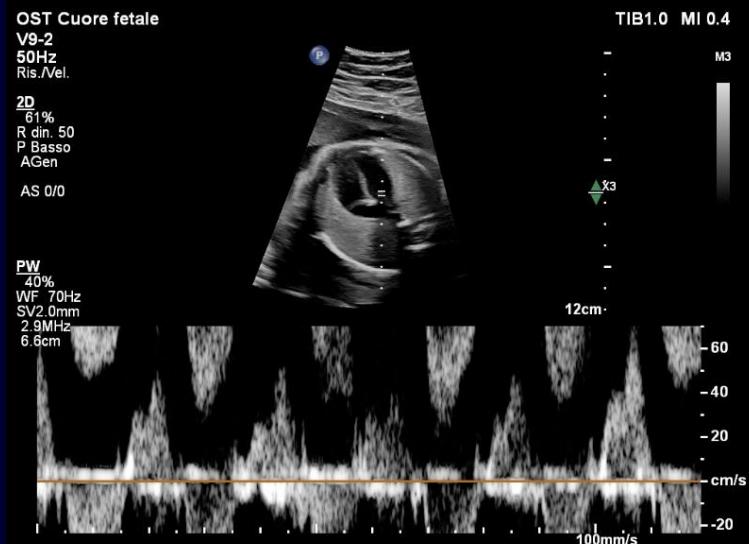
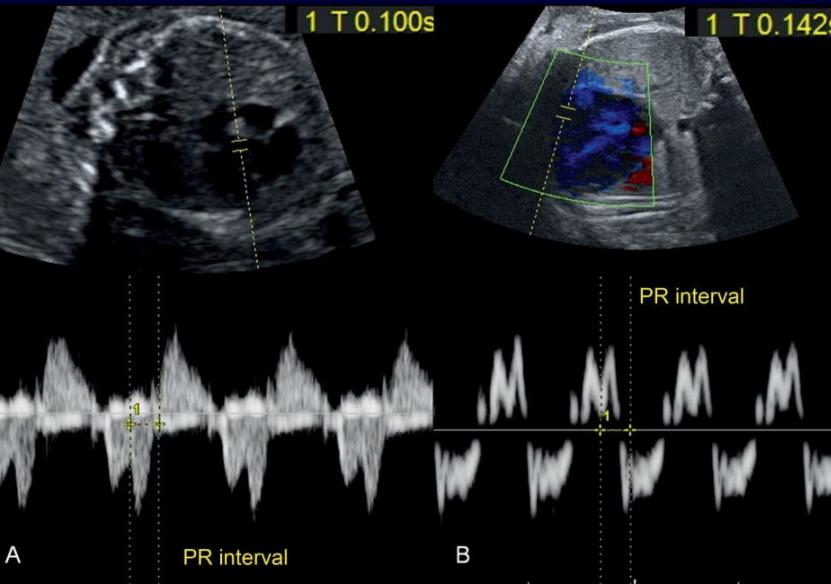
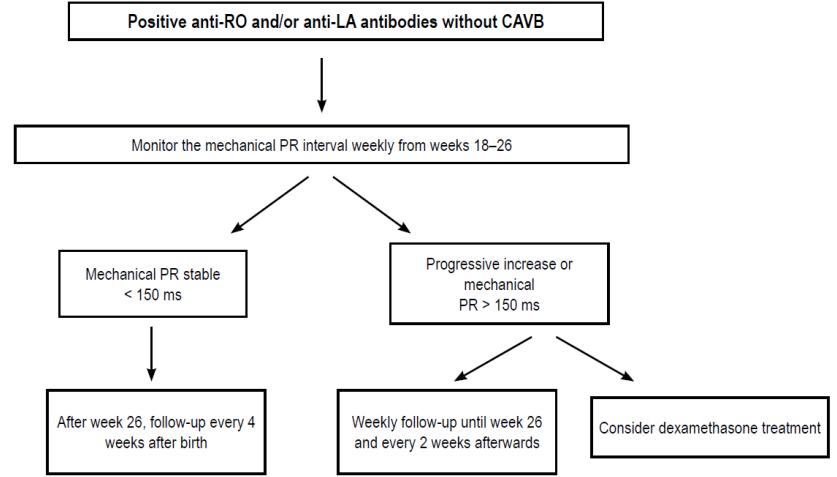
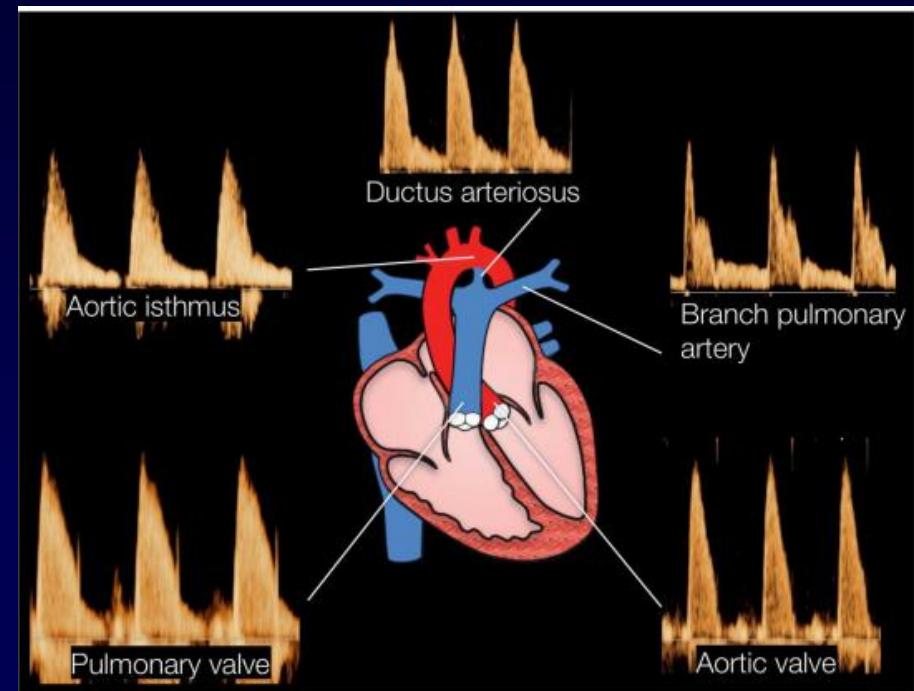
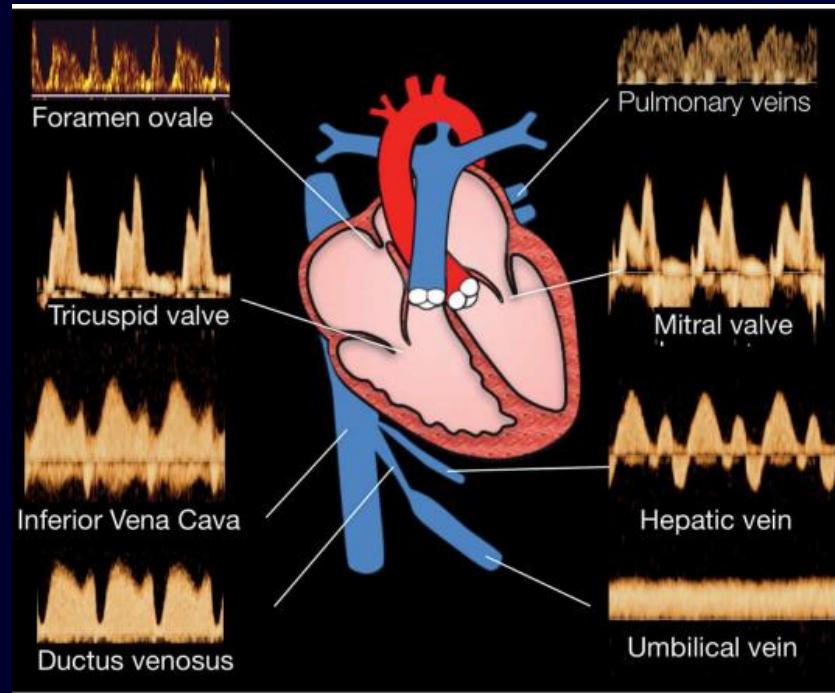


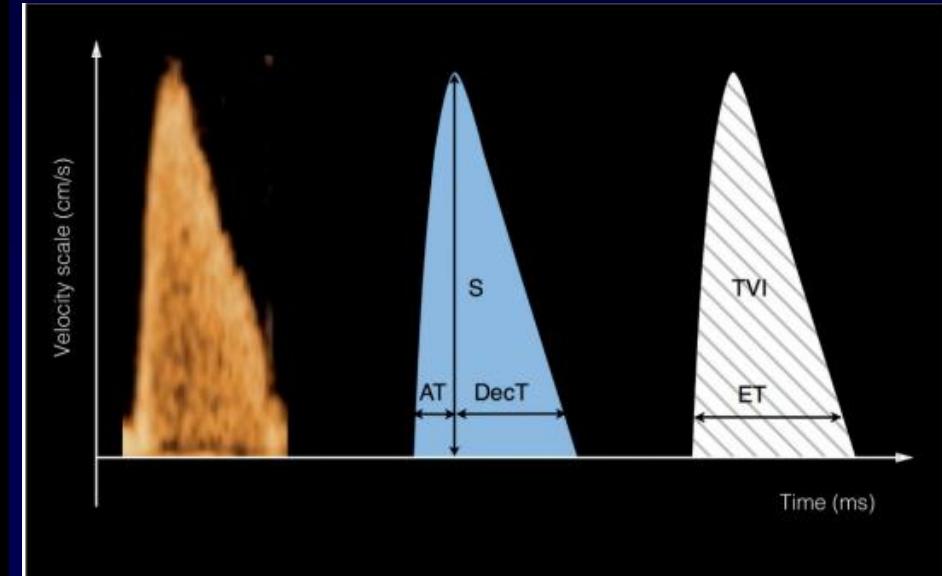
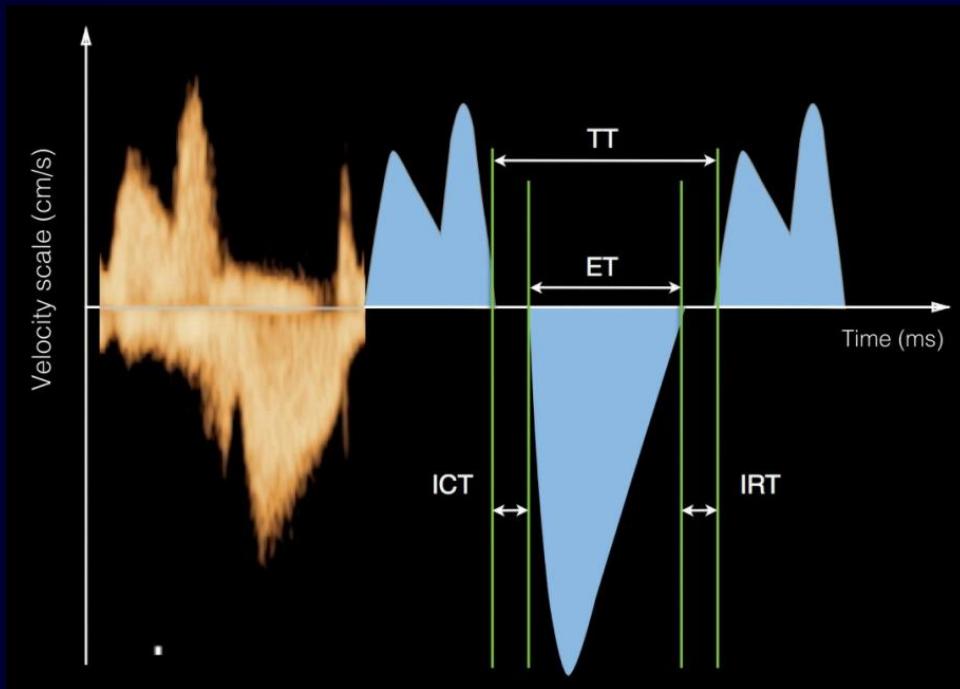
Figure 7.1 – Suggested approach for pregnant women with positive anti-RO and/or anti-LA antibodies without CAVB. CAVB: complete atrioventricular block; ms: milliseconds.



Valutazione Velocità



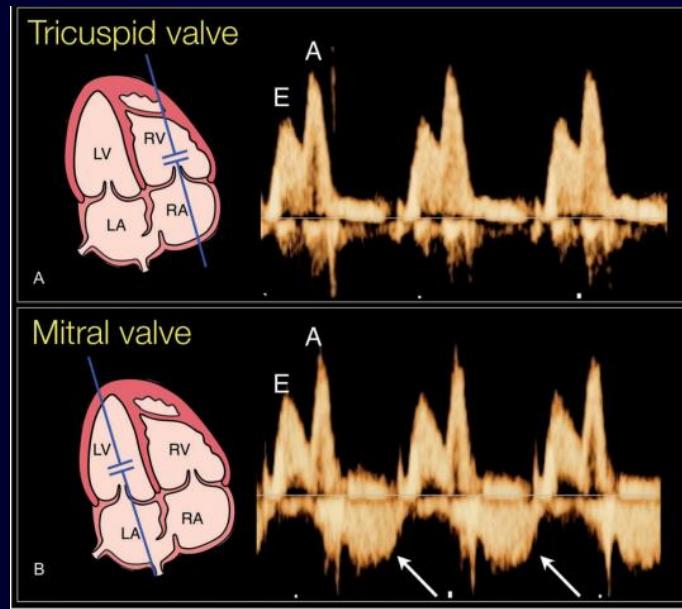
Indici di funzione sulla valvola mitrale ed efflusso sinistro



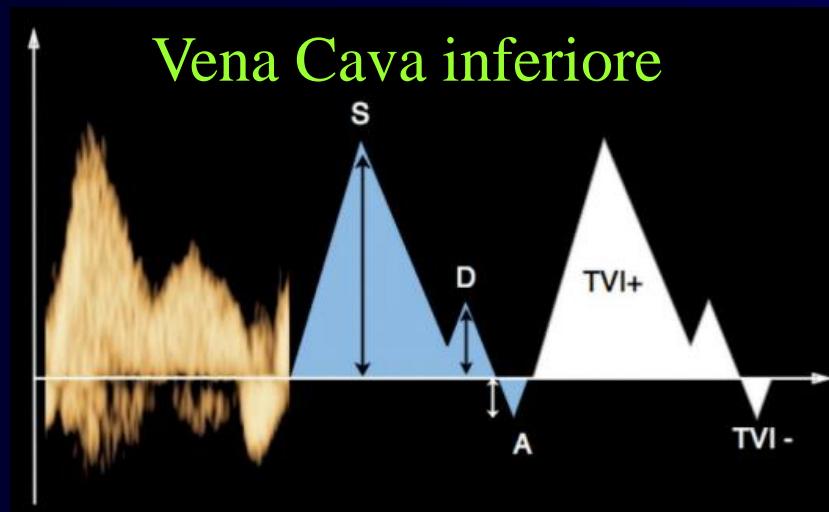
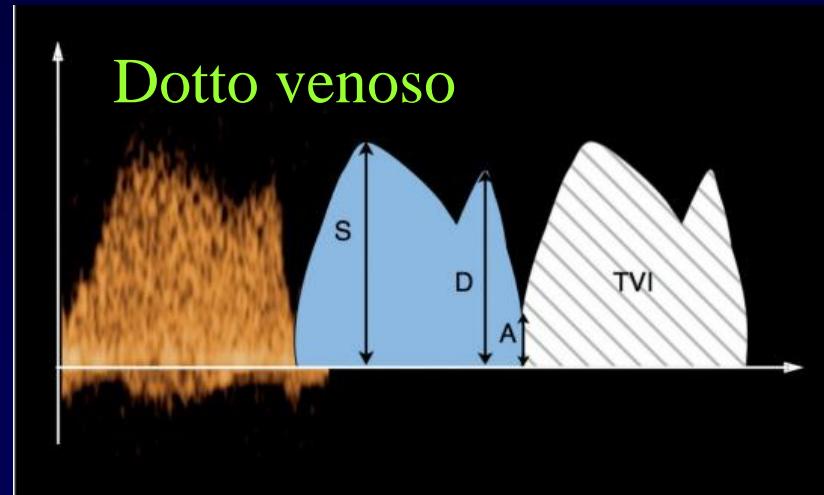
ET: tempo di eiezione sistolica, ICT: tempo di contrazione isovolumetrica, IRT: tempo di rilassamento isovolumetrico e TT è il tempo totale. TT = ET+ICT+IRT.

AT: tempo di accelerazione o velocità di picco, DecT: tempo di decelerazione. S è la velocità sistolica di picco. ET: tempo di eiezione sistolica. TVI: integrale tempo-velocità (area sotto la curva)

Indici di funzione diastolica

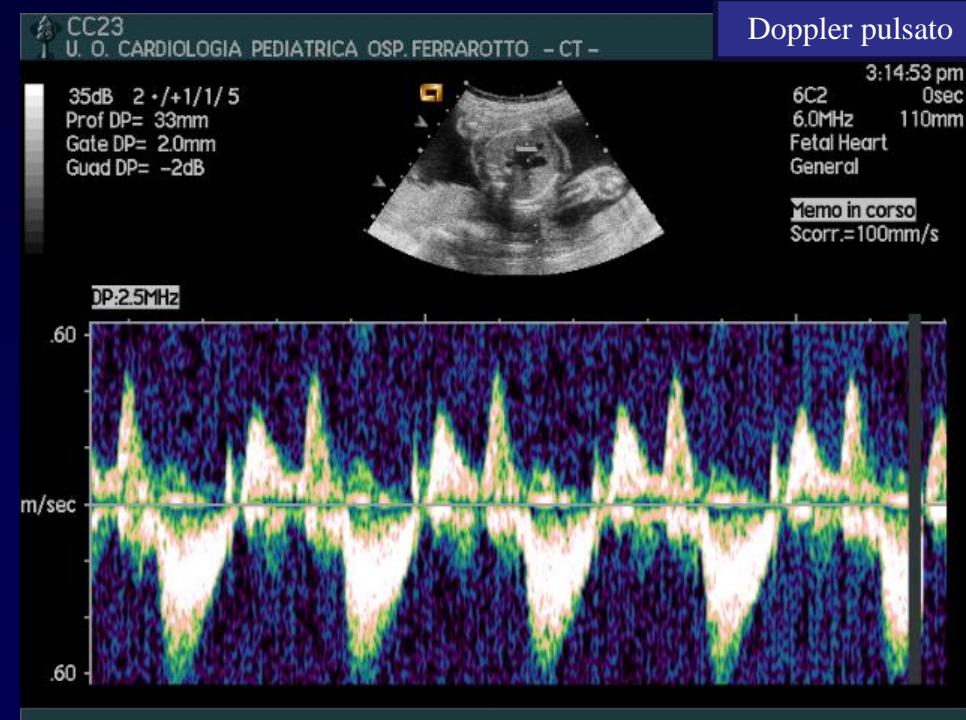
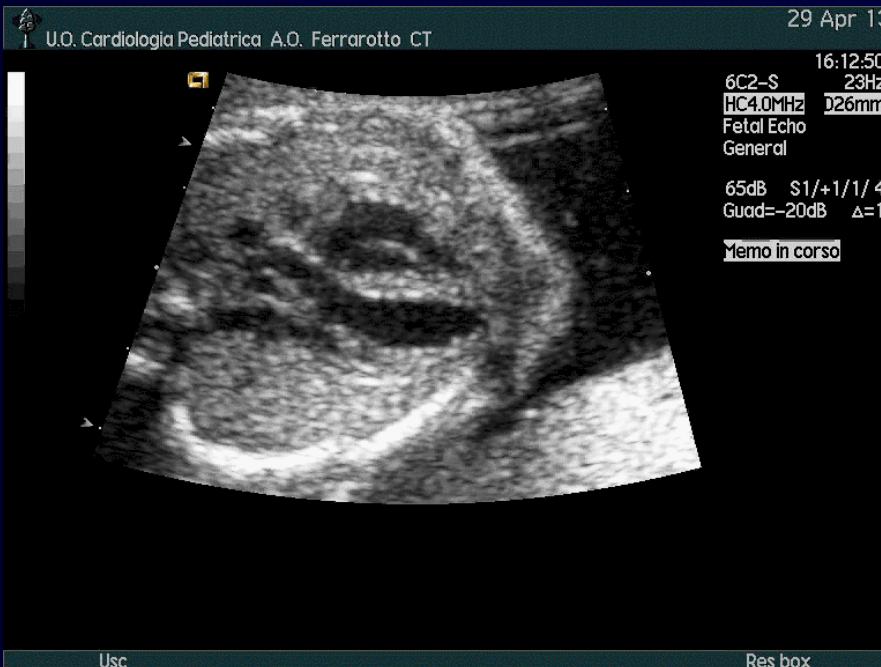


Dotto venoso S: velocità sistolica, D: velocità diastolica, A: velocità nadir durante la contrazione atriale, TVI integrale tempo-velocità (area sotto la curva).

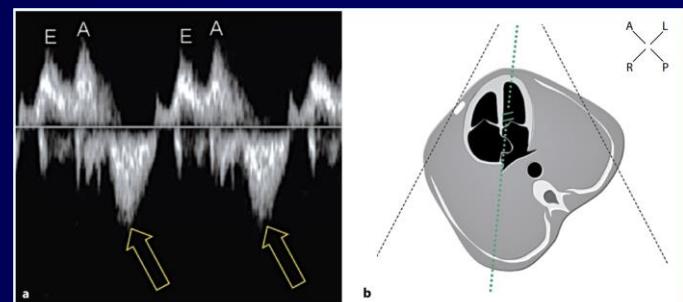


Flusso vena cava S: velocità massima sistolica, D: velocità massima diastolica, A: flusso di inversione atriale durante la contrazione atriale, TVI: integrale tempo-velocità (area sotto la curva).

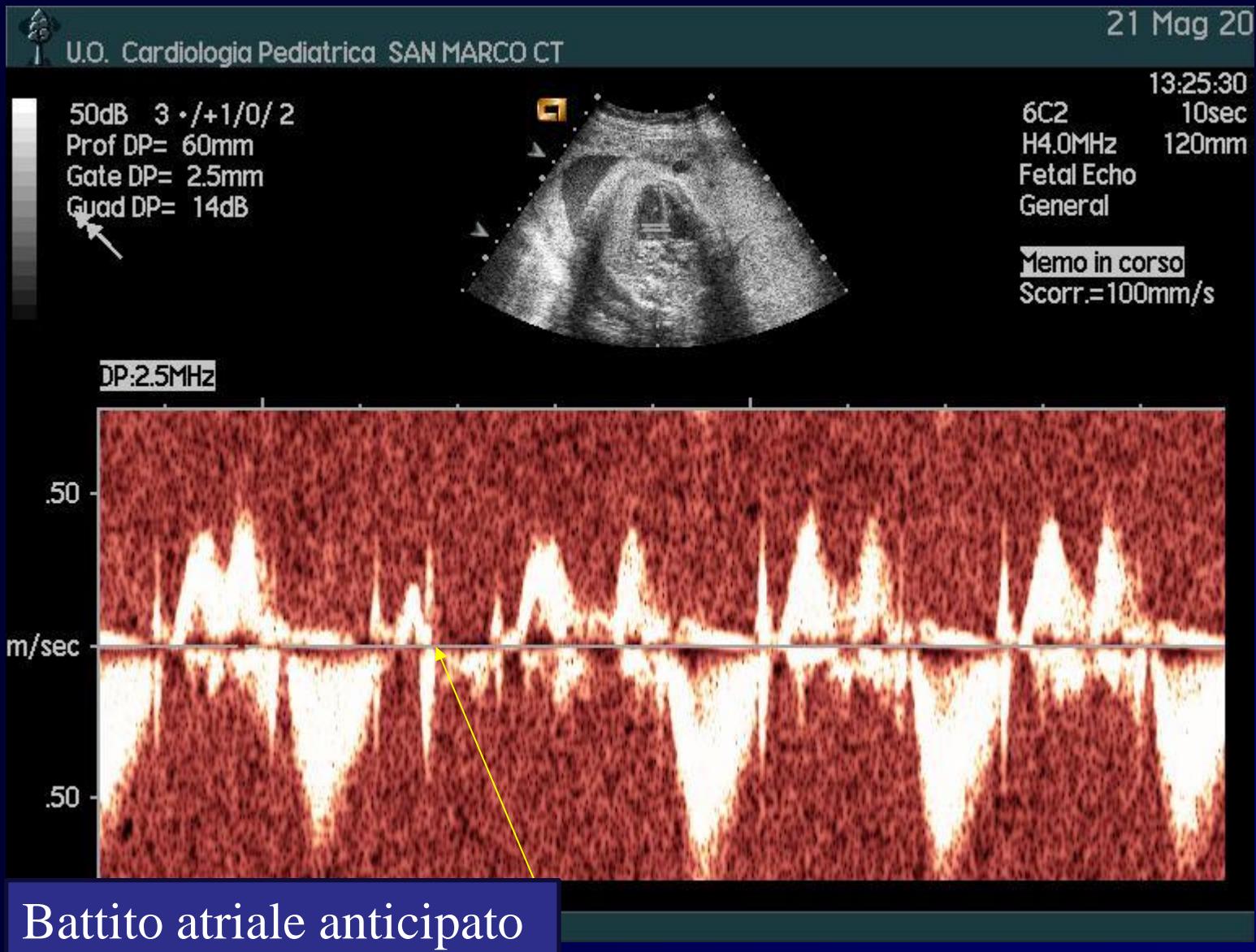
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140+-20 bpm sino all 20°
Settimana
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gravidanza



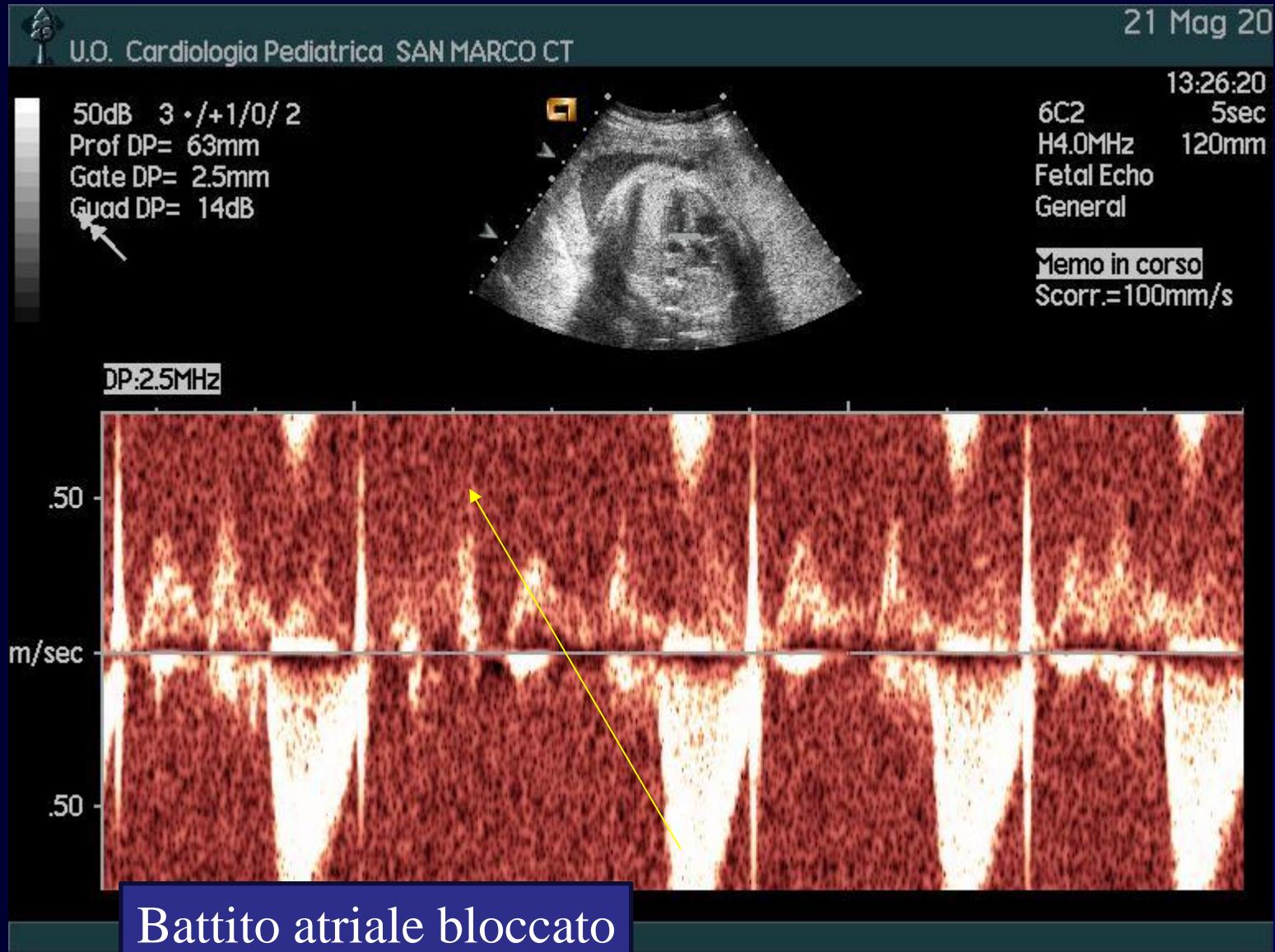
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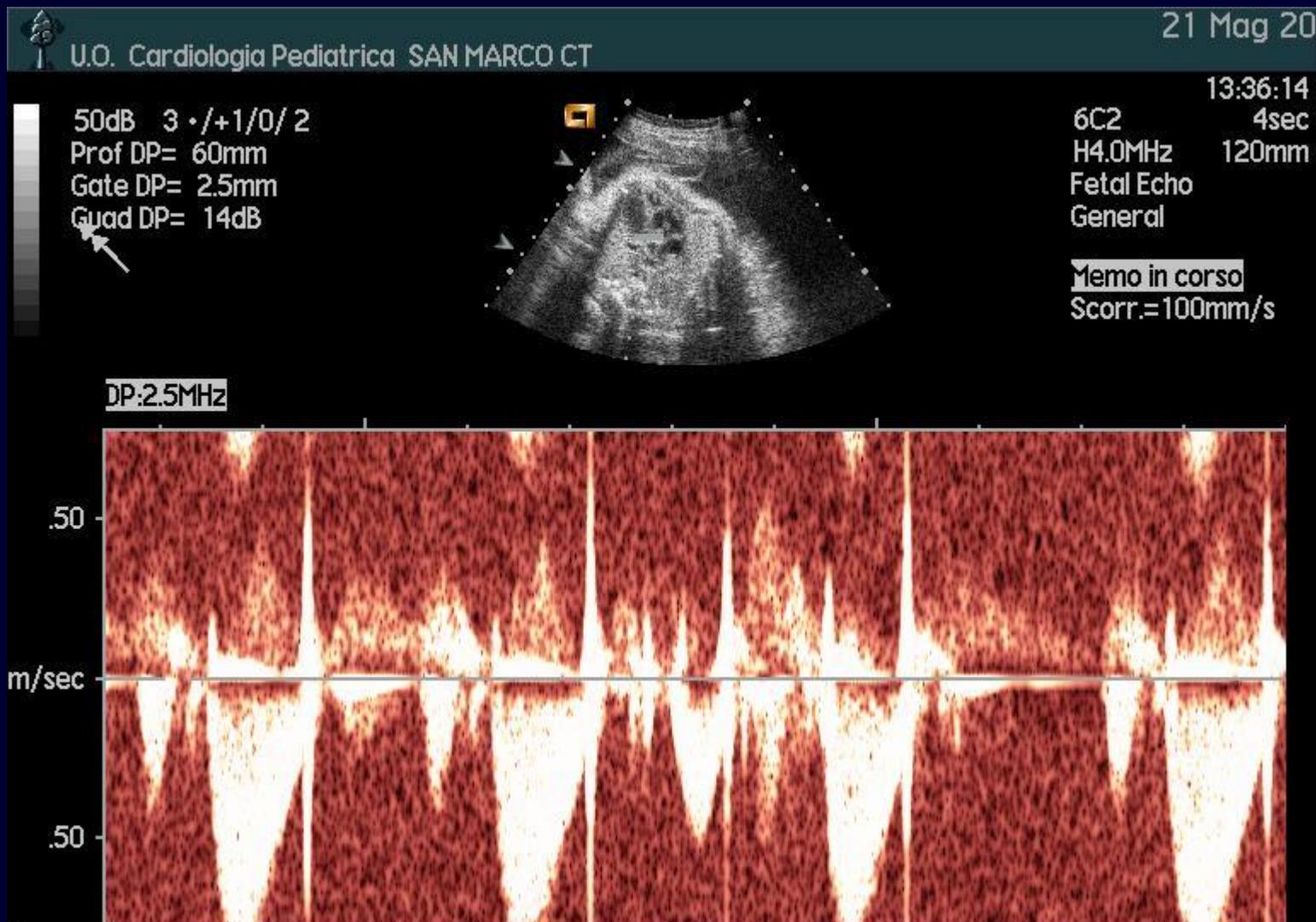
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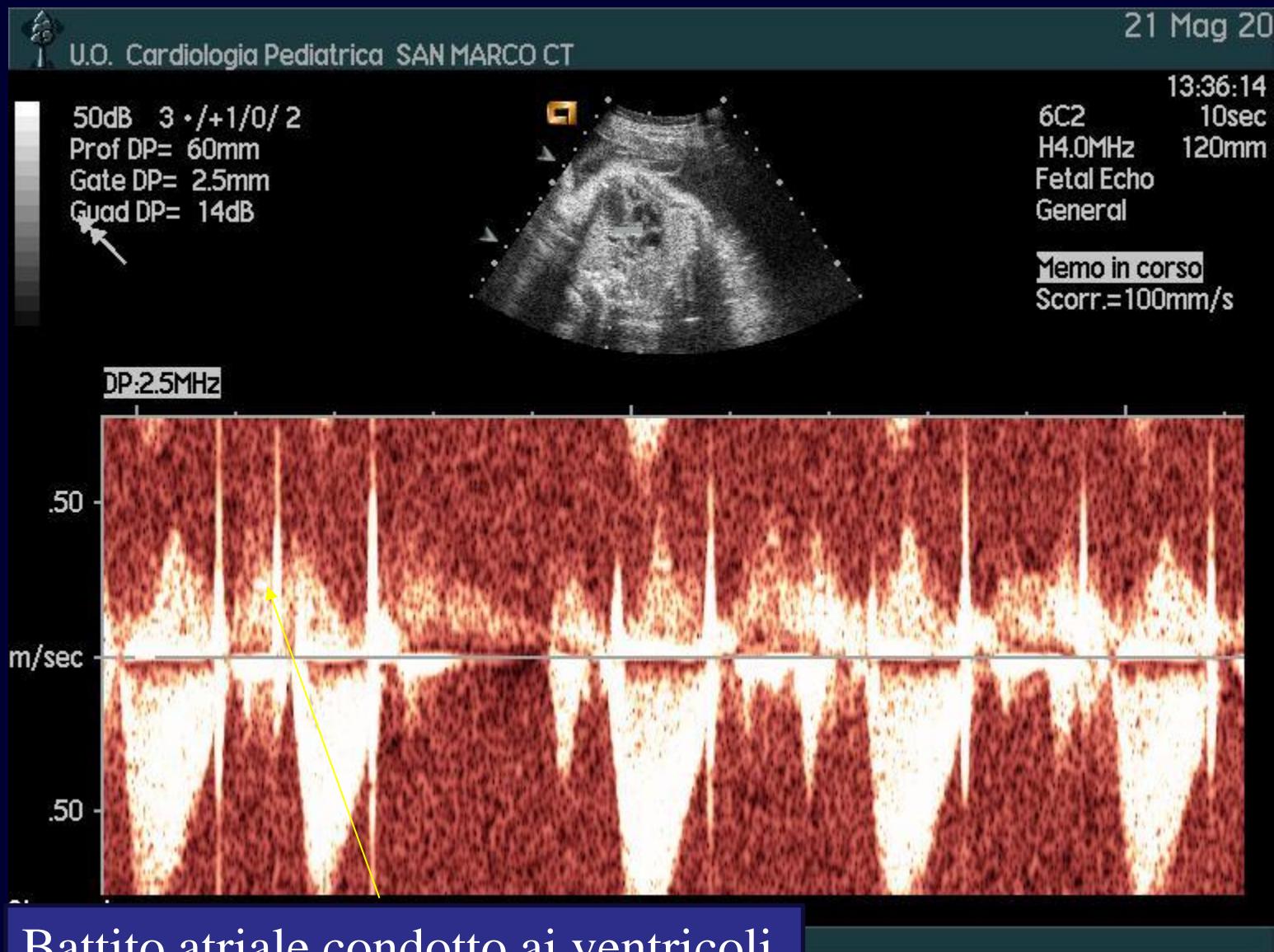
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Ritmo Bradicardico

Si definisce ritmo Bradicardico quando la Frequenza Cardiaca è sotto 110-120 battiti al minuto (bpm) per un periodo prolungato, generalmente superiore a 10 minuti.



Fetal medical therapy with **sympathomimetics** is reasonable to consider for fetuses with AV block with ventricular rates **<55 bpm** or AV block at a higher ventricular rate with associated severe CHD or signs of fetal heart failure or hydrops fetalis (**Class IIa; Level of Evidence B**).

Table 32.1 Fetal bradydysrhythmia – possible causes

Sinus bradycardia

short episodes: vagal tone

Sustained sinus bradycardia

sinus node dysfunction

maternal hypothermia

long-QT syndrome

Frequently occurring blocked premature atrial contractions

Familial idiopathic atrial fibrillation with slow ventricular response

Second-degree atrioventricular block

Third-degree (complete) atrioventricular block

Ritmo Bradicardico

OST Cuore fetale

V9-2
58Hz
Ris.Vel.

2D
59%
R din. 50
P Basso
AGen

AS 0/0

PW
40%
WF 100Hz
SV2.0mm
2.9MHz
6.0cm

TIB1.0 MI 0.4

M3

10cm

X3



OST Cuore fetale

V9-2
58Hz
RS

2D
59%
Dyn R 50
P Basso
AGen

cm
AS 0/0

-10

-20

-30

-40

-50

-60

-70

-80

-90

-100

10cm/s

↑ E

A

↑ E

A

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A'

A'

A'

A'

Battiti atriali bloccati tipo 2:1

TIB0.1 MI 0.8

M3

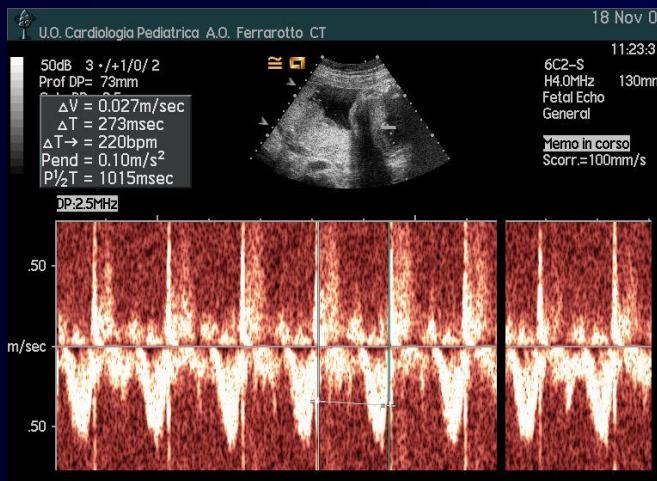
X3



10cm - *** bpm

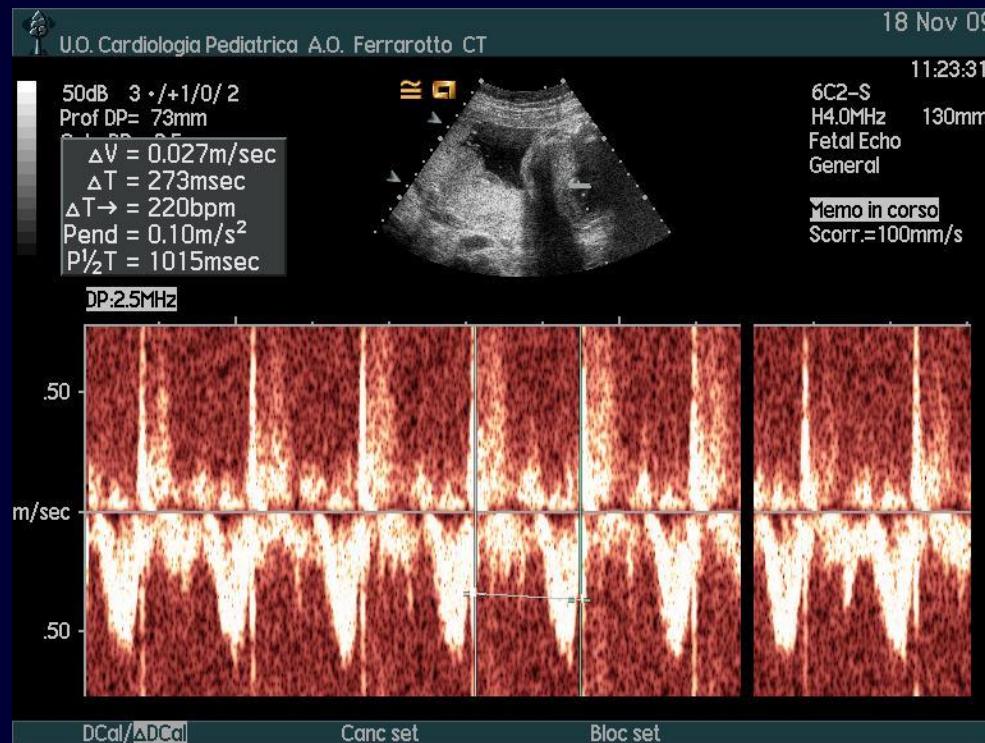
Ritmo Tachicardico

– Si Definisce Ritmo Tachicardico quando la Frequenza Cardiaca basale del feto è superiore a 180 battiti al minuto (bpm), per un periodo prolungato



- Fetal tachycardia is defined by a sustained fetal ventricular heart rate of greater than 180 beats/min.
- Sinus tachycardia is characterized by equal atrial and ventricular rates in the range of 180 to 200 beats/min, one-to-one AV conduction, normal AV interval duration, and variability in the heart rate.
- SVT is the most common cause of fetal tachycardia and accounts for about 66% to 90% of all cases.
- In SVT, the tachycardia range is typically around 220 to 240 beats/min, there is 1:1 ratio of AV conduction, and the fetal heart rate is monotonous with lack of atrial or ventricular rate variability.
- Atrial flutter in the fetus is defined by a rapid regular atrial rate of 300 to 600 beats/min, accompanied by variable degrees of AV conduction block, resulting in a slower ventricular rate, typically around 220 to 240 beats/min.
- Ventricular tachycardia is rare and presents with ventricular rates of more than 180 beats/min in the setting of AV dissociation.
- Atrial fibrillation is a rare form of fetal tachycardia that involves a rapid and irregular atrial rate with a blocked AV conduction.

Ritmo Tachicardico



Aritmie Fetali persistenti che possono evolvere in scompenso

Fetal medical therapy should be offered for fetuses with sustained **SVT** or **VT** or sustained tachycardias including multifocal atrial tachycardia, atrial ectopic tachycardia, persistent junctional reciprocating tachycardia, or junctional ectopic tachycardia with average heart rates >200 bpm if the fetus is not near term, and hydropic fetuses with an arrhythmia believed to be the cause of the fetal compromise (**Class I; Level of Evidence A**).

Fetal medical therapy is reasonable to consider for fetuses with intermittent **VT** at rates >200 bpm (**Class IIa; Level of Evidence B**).



Fetal medical therapy is of no benefit for fetuses with sinus bradycardia, irregular rhythms caused by extrasystolic beats (**Class III; Level of Evidence A**), intermittent **SVT** without fetal compromise or hydrops, or intermittent **VT < 200 bpm** (accelerated ventricular rhythm) without fetal compromise or hydrops fetalis (**Class III; Level of Evidence B/C**).

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