



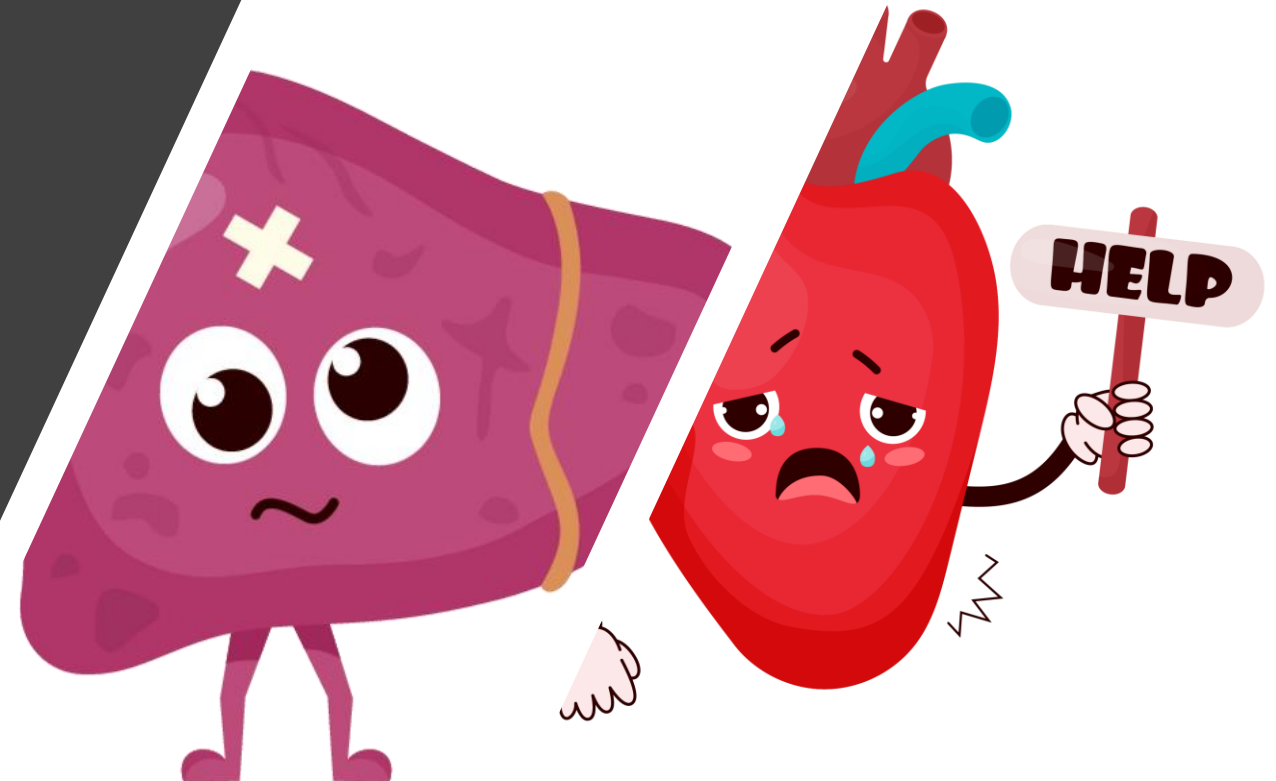
SHOCK

A brief refresher for brain people

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What we will cover today:



Overview of
shock states



Recognition and
clinical findings



Differential
diagnosis



Initial
management



Not covered: in depth
monitoring, fancy ICU
stuff, advanced
management (I only
have 20 min, give me a
break...)

Meanwhile, on the stroke floor...

- 68 F, h/o afib, CAD, HFrEF 40%
- R MCA stroke s/p extended window thrombectomy
- Now HD #6, 2 AM
- BP 95/55, HR 116, irregular
- UOP only 200 ml last shift
- Patient sleeper most of the previous day
- Nursing asks that you come and assess the patient now (or they will call the rapid response team)





- Is there a problem here?
- How bad is the problem?
- How do you know?

What is “shock”
anyway?

- State of organ or tissue **hypoperfusion** where oxygen delivery is unable to meet metabolic demand



“Pre-Shock”

Physiologic
compensation is
occurring

BP can be normal or
high

Symptoms will be
subtle, particularly in a
healthy patient

- Tachycardia, tachypnea, elevated lactate

Shock

Hypotension

Acidosis

End organ dysfunction

Eventually: Multi-organ failure





Types of shock

Who are the suspects?

- DISTRIBUTIVE
- HYPOVOLEMIC
- CARDIOGENIC
- OBSTRUCTIVE

Distributive

“Tank is too big”

Vasodilation/lack of vascular tone

- Infectious/inflammatory
- Anaphylaxis
- Endocrine
- Neurologic





Hypovolemic

“Tank is empty”

Not enough circulating volume

- Hemorrhage
- Dehydration
- Other fluid loss

Cardiogenic

“Pump doesn’t work”

Insufficient cardiac output

- Ischemia/myocardial infarction
- Cardiomyopathy/reduced ejection fraction
- Tachy/bradyarrhythmia
- Sympathetic dysfunction



Obstructive

“Pump is blocked”

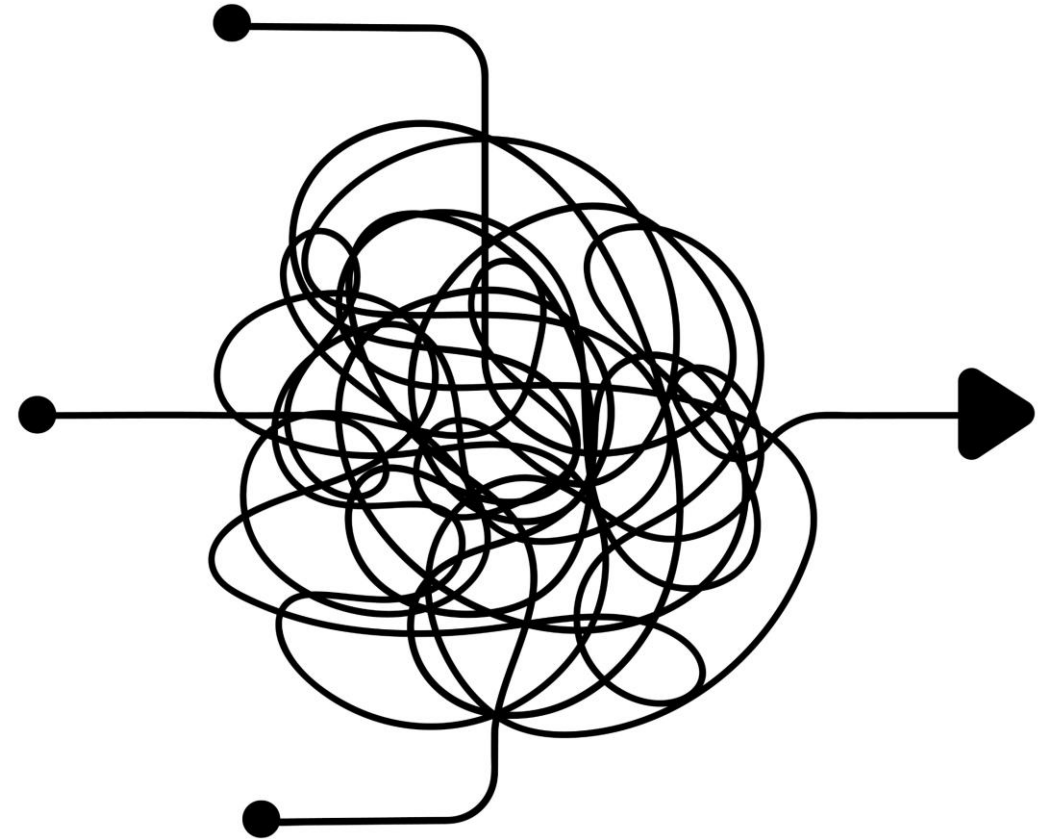
Extra-cardiac cause of cardiac failure

- Pulmonary vascular
 - Pulmonary embolism
 - Pulmonary HTN
- Mechanical
 - Tamponade
 - Tension pneumothorax
 - Restrictive cardiac disease
 - Abdominal compartment syndrome



Shock is often mixed

- Neurogenic – distributive/cardiogenic
- Endocrine – distributive/cardiogenic
- Septic – distributive, hypovolemic, cardiogenic
- Trauma
- Resuscitation may alter the physiology
 - Fluid resuscitation → cardiogenic, obstructive



	Preload	Pump	Afterload	Perfusion
Invasive monitoring (PA catheter)	PCWP, (CVP)	CO, CI	SVR	SvO ₂ (65%)
Non-invasive surrogates	Edema, skin turgor, JVD, IVC size, ΔP_{pleth} , BNP	HR, cardiac ultrasound, cardiac enzymes	Skin temperature, capillary refill, end organ function, serum lactate, ScvO ₂	
Distributive	\leftrightarrow to \downarrow	\leftrightarrow to \uparrow	\downarrow to \uparrow	\leftrightarrow to \uparrow
hypovolemic	\leftrightarrow to \downarrow	\leftrightarrow to \downarrow	\uparrow to \uparrow	\leftrightarrow to \downarrow
Cardiogenic	\uparrow to \uparrow	\downarrow to \downarrow	\uparrow to \uparrow	\downarrow to \downarrow
Obstructive	Depends	\downarrow to \downarrow	\uparrow to \uparrow	Depends

OK, I'm at the bedside...



What can I do to figure this out?



Which vital signs are most useful?

Blood pressure?
Heart rate?
Respiratory rate?
Pulse ox?

Do I have to
touch the
patient?



Skin temperature



Edema/JVD



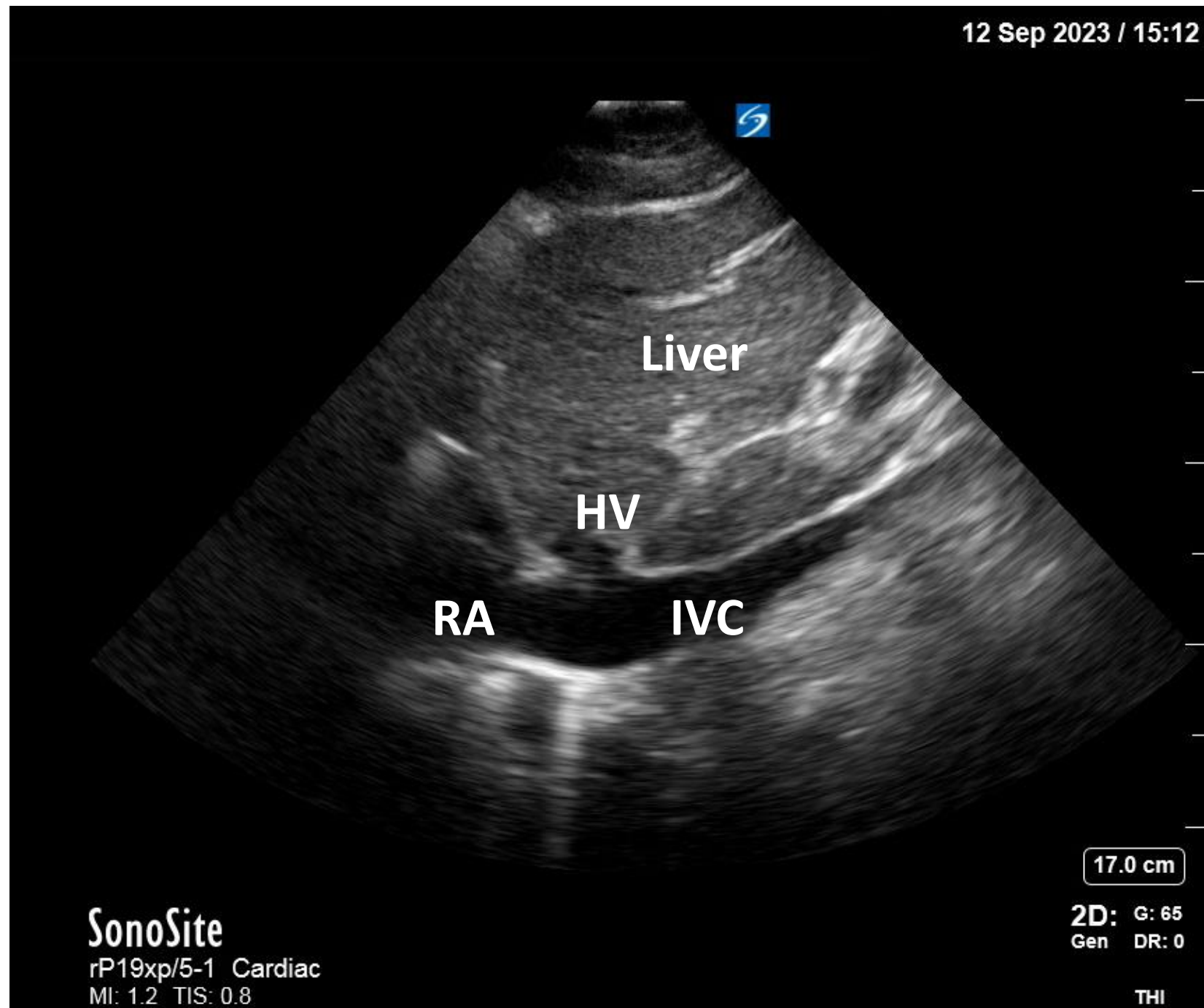
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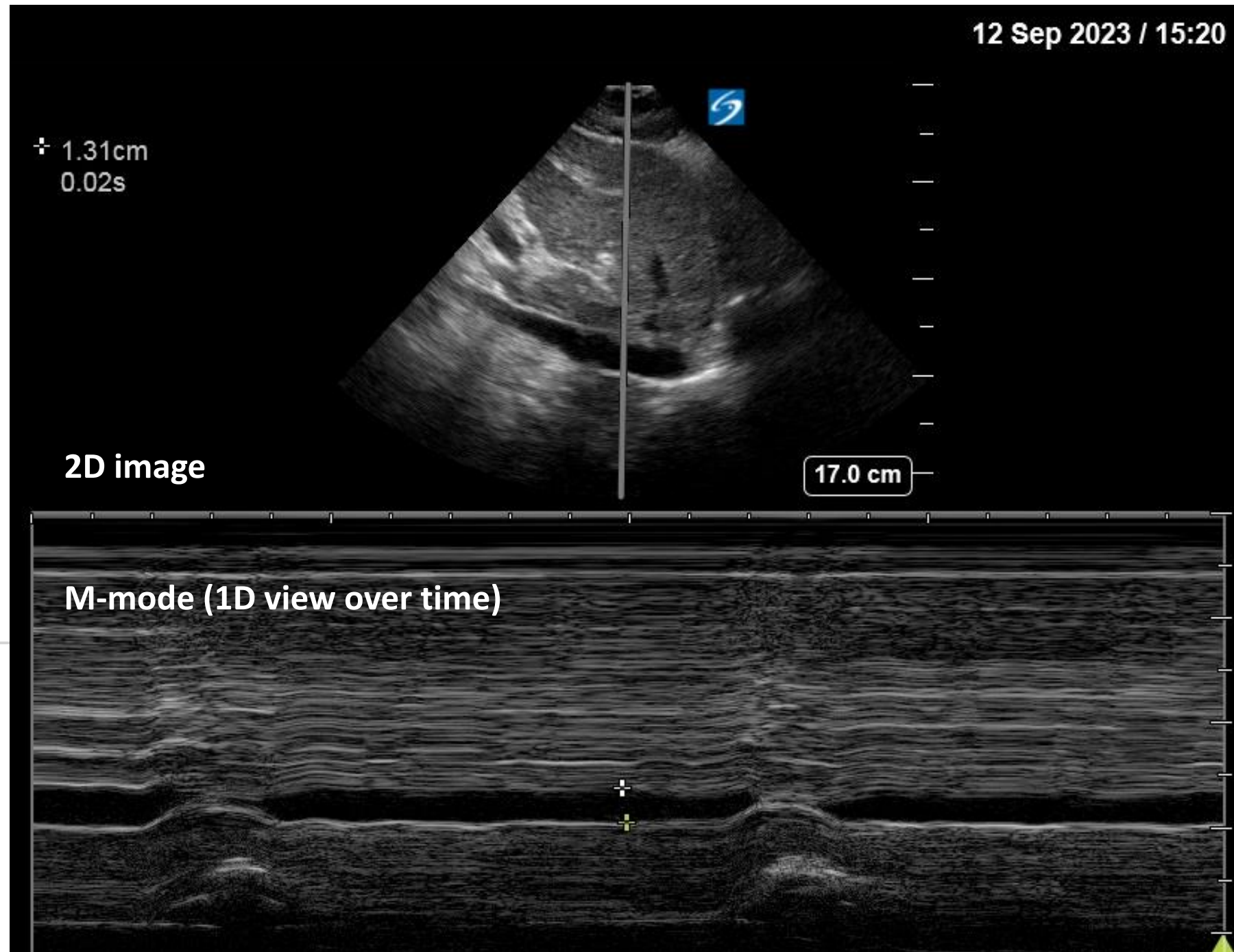
Others?

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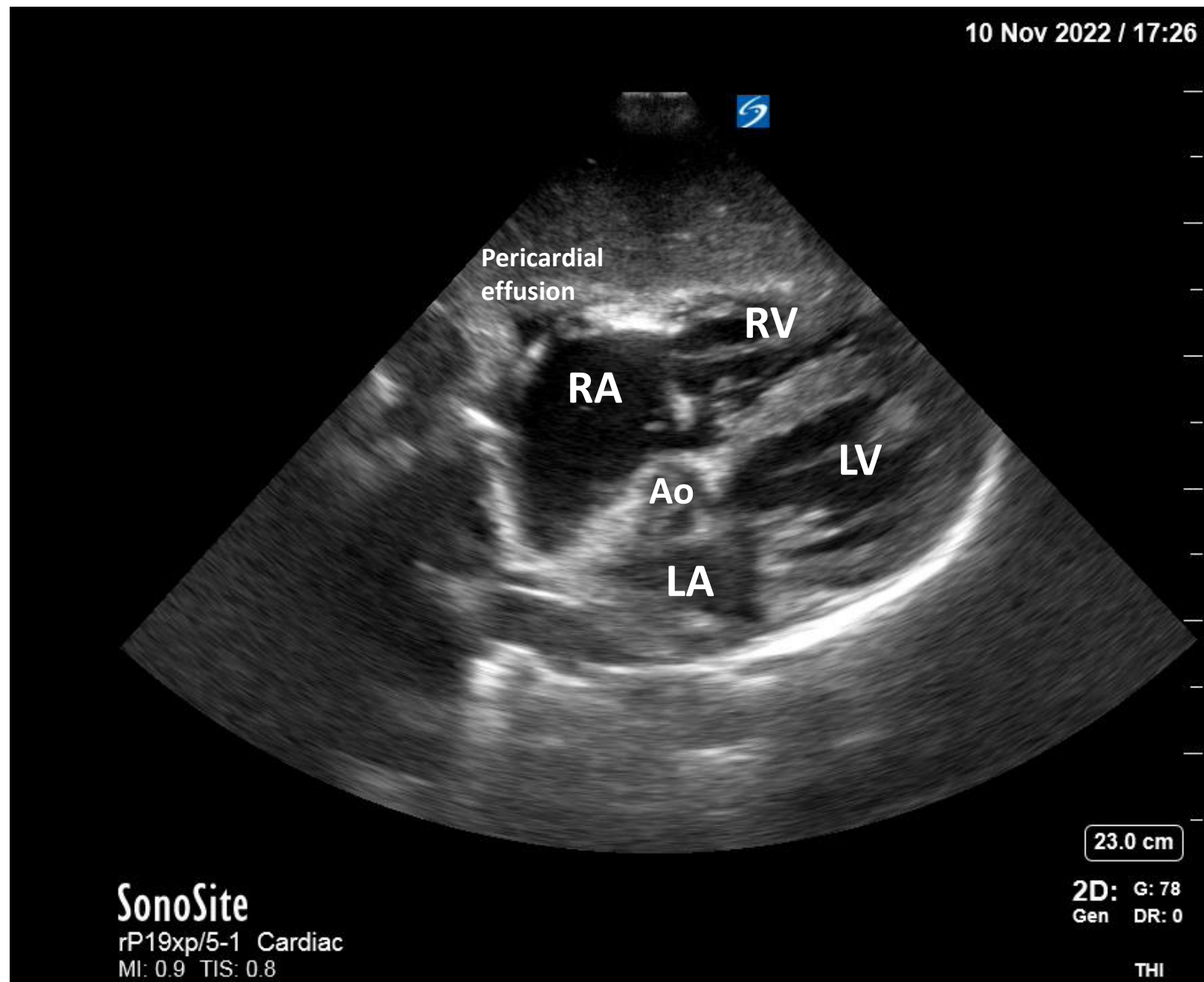
Inferior vena cava



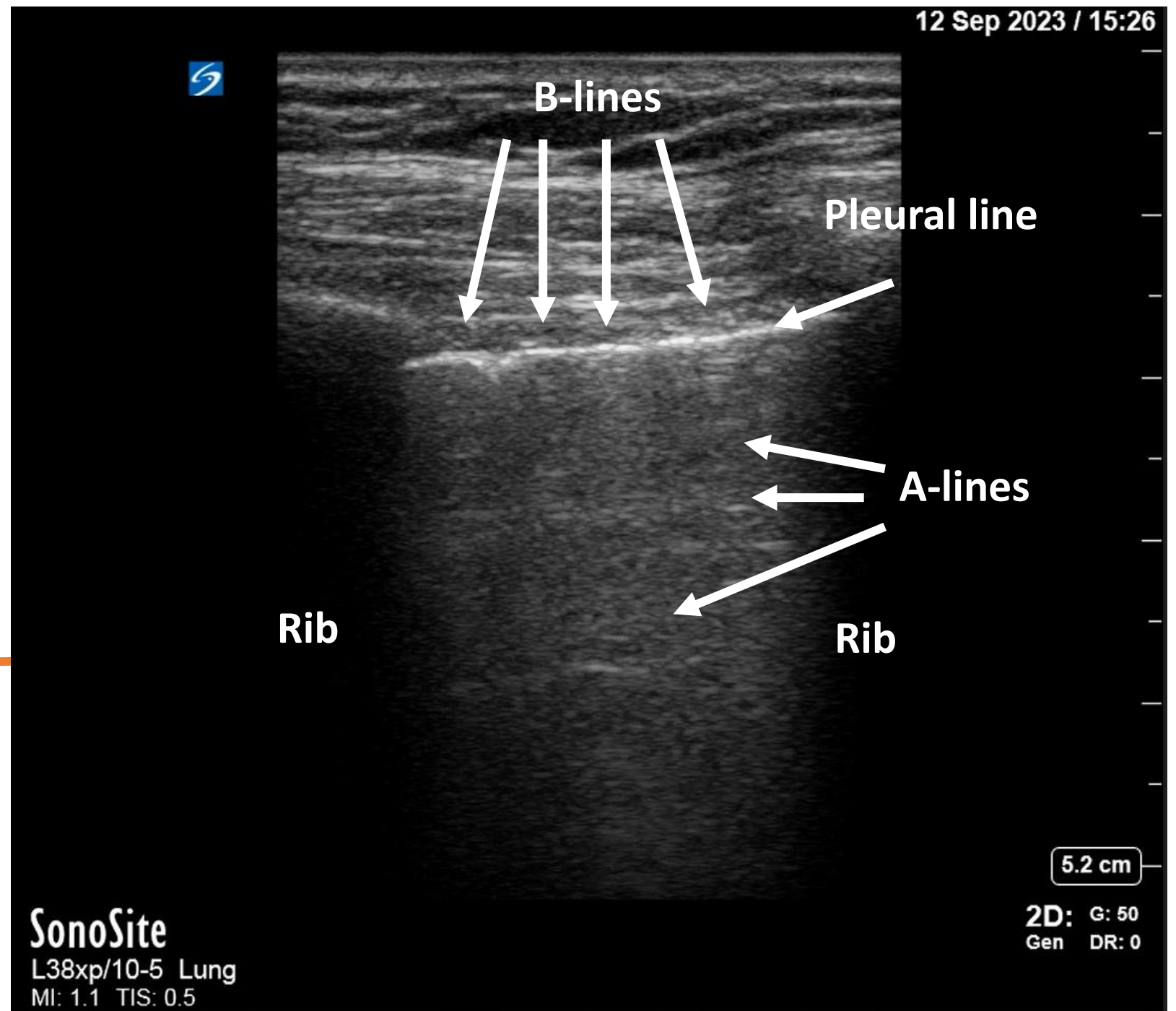
IVC Measurement



Sub-xiphoid cardiac view



Lung Ultrasound



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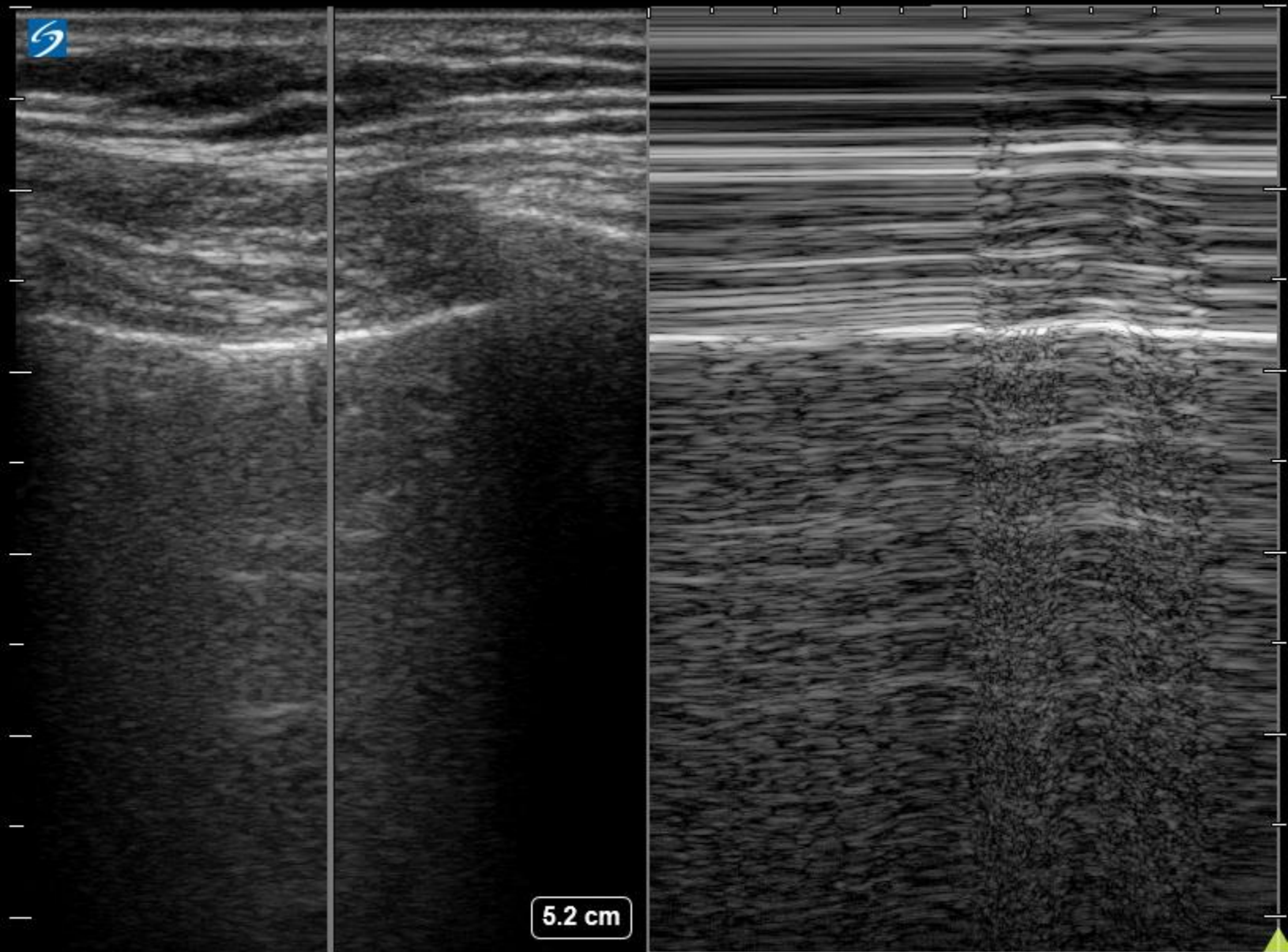


5.2 cm

SonoSite
L38xp/10-5 Lung
MI: 1.1 TIS: 0.5

2D: G: 50
Gen DR: 0

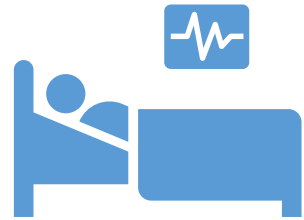
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SonoSite
L38xp/10-5 Lung
MI: 1.1 TIS: 0.6

M: G: 50 **2D:** G: 50
Gen DR: 0

Back to our patient...



Vital Signs

HR 124, irregular

BP 92/58

Temp 37.5 C

RR 24

SpO2 98% on 3L NC



Exam

Drowsy, disoriented to time and place

Gurgling respirations, diffuse rhonchi

1+ pitting edema bilateral ankles

Skin warm

Differential diagnosis?

Aspiration/infection → sepsis

Cerebral edema, hemorrhage → brain compression

Acute heart failure exacerbation
(volume overload, RVR)

HYPOnolemia (“intravascular depletion?”)

Nothing, it’s 3 AM and he’s just tired?

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Hypovolemic	↔ to ↓	↔ to ↓	↑	↔ to ↓
Cardiogenic	↑	↓	↑	↓
Obstructive	Depends	↓	↑	Depends

Will any tests help?

BMP	146	110	44	110
	4.5	18.1	1.9	

CBC:	13.2	30	142
		8.9	

ABG: 7.35/32/110

Lactate: 2.5

Procalcitonin: 0.2





Likely diagnosis?



Sepsis

Possible aspiration
(Give antibiotics)



Distributive shock

Early cardiogenic shock?

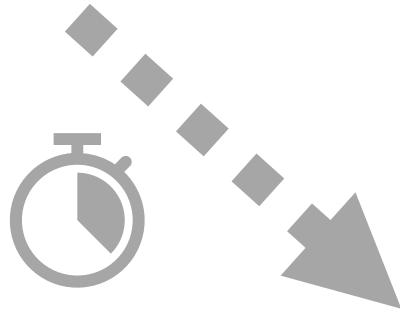


Now what?



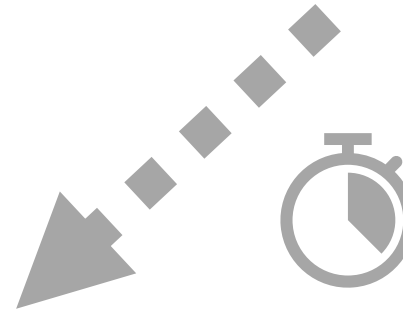
Fill the tank

Distributive, hypovolemic



Help the pump

Cardiogenic, obstructive



Fix the underlying problem

Filling the tank



A reasonable first step for (relative) hypovolemic states



How much?

EGDT is probably out

Individualized therapy better, but no clear guidelines on how



With what?

Balanced fluids generally better

Normal saline if concern for high ICP

Blood is also a fluid

How much is too much?



“Fluid responsiveness” is a complex topic

Straight leg raise
PVI/ Δ POP, PPV
Ultrasound
Urine output, lactate



What are the downsides?

Hemodilution
Congestive failure

Helping the pump



Vasopressors – increase afterload
(SVR)

Phenylephrine
Vasopressin



Inotropes – increase contractility
(CO/CI)

Dobutamine
Isoproterenol
Milrinone



“Inopressors” – balanced effects
(dose dependent)

Norepinephrine
Epinephrine
Dopamine

What are the downsides?



Ischemia

Peripheral
Cardiac
Mesenteric



You have to call ICU



Learning points



Shock is the state where O₂ supply does not meet demand

Early symptoms can be subtle

Patient may be normotensive



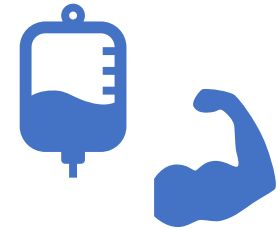
There are 4 main types of shock

Distributive, hypovolemic, cardiogenic, obstructive



Most real situations are mixed or undifferentiated

Find the clinical features



Initial resuscitation usually involves volume or pressors

Buy time to fix the underlying problem

Think about the downsides of your interventions