Contrast for detection of apical thrombus

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Abstract

Case from the Contrast Echo Box
Contrast Echocardiography for assessment of LV structure and function

Introduction

- 45 year old male
- 164 cm/155 kg – Body mass index 57.6
- Past AMI and established heart failure:
  - EF 40 % (2000)
  - Drug abuse in the past
  - Admitted due to shortness of breath

Not taken "some medications", ECHO in the CCU

Case Report

2D echocardiogram (fig 1)

Due to suboptimal image quality, 1 ml SonoVue bolus was given

Contrast echocardiogram (fig 2)
There was no suspicion of a thrombus in the grey scale images in this particular case, contrast was thus given only for LVO and the thrombus was in fact a random finding.

**Conclusion**

The case illustrates a possibility of an additional value from contrast echo that cannot always be predicted.

Video 1:
2D echocardiogram

Video 2:
Contrast echocardiogram