

# Pregnant Cardiomyopathy

## Section I: Scenario Demographics

Scenario Title:	Pregnant Cardiomyopathy		
Date of Development:	(16/04/2018) Revised 04/05/2021		
Target Learning Group:	Juniors (PGY 1 – 2)	Seniors (PGY ≥ 3)	All Groups community ED staff

## Section II: Scenario Developers

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## Section III: Curriculum Integration

Learning Goals & Objectives	
Educational Goal:	To manage acute CHF and cardiogenic shock in a pregnant patient with cardiomyopathy
CRM Objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Effectively lead a team through the uncommon presentation of cardiogenic shock in pregnancy</li> <li>2. Demonstrate closed-loop communication between team members</li> <li>3. Collaborate early with consultants in the management of a sick pregnant patient</li> </ol>
Medical Objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Recognize and respond to a critically ill pregnant patient with cardiogenic shock</li> <li>2) Hypothesize the differential diagnoses of dyspnea in pregnancy</li> <li>3) Facilitate safe intubation with considerations for a pregnant patient</li> </ol>

### Case Summary: Brief Summary of Case Progression and Major Events

A 38-year-old female G2P1 at 36 weeks GA presents with acute on chronic respiratory distress in addition to chronic peripheral edema. She undergoes respiratory fatigue and hypoxia requiring intubation. She then becomes hypotensive which the team discovers is secondary to cardiogenic shock, requiring vasopressor infusion and consultation with Cardiology/ ICU.



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## References

Marx, J. A., Hockberger, R. S., Walls, R. M., & Adams, J. (2013). *Rosen's emergency medicine: Concepts and clinical practice*. St. Louis: Mosby.

Chris Nickson. (2013). Peripartum Cardiomyopathy. Accessed April 27, 2018 from <https://lifeinthefastlane.com/ccp/peripartum-cardiomyopathy/>

## Section IV: Scenario Script

### A. Clinical Vignette: To Read Aloud at Beginning of Case

You are working in a community ED and your team has been called urgently by the nurse to see a 38-year-old female who is G2P1 at 36 weeks gestational age. She was brought in by her sister, who is quite agitated and upset, saying "everybody has been ignoring her symptoms for the last 4 weeks". The patient has just experienced a syncope episode at home.

### B. Scenario Cast & Realism

Patient:	X Computerized Mannequin	Realism: <i>Select most important dimension(s)</i>	Conceptual
	X Mannequin		Physical
	Standardized Patient		Emotional/Experiential
	X Hybrid		Other:
	Task Trainer		N/A

### Participants

#### Brief Description of Role

Consultant	Available via telephone to assist team

### C. Required Monitors

Cardiac Monitor	Temperature Probe	
NIBP Cuff		Capnography
Pulse Oximeter		<b>Other: Fetal Doppler</b>

### D. Required Equipment

Gloves	Nasal Prongs	Bougie
Stethoscope	BiPap Mask	



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	Non-Rebreather Mask, Nasal Prongs & Face Mask		Cricothyroidotomy Kit		
IV Bags/Lines	Bag Valve Mask				
IV Push Medications, PDTM or medication resource guide, syringes, needles & labels	Laryngoscope		Central Line Kit		
	Video Assisted Laryngoscope		Arterial Line Kit		
	ET Tubes		Other: tilting wedge or blankets		
Intraosseous Set-up	LMA or King Tube with Syringe		Other: rolled blankets for ramping		
E. Moulage					
Pregnant belly +2 pitting edema to bilateral lower legs (memory foam under pantyhose)					
F. Approximate Timing					
Set-Up:	5 min	Scenario:	20 min	Debriefing:	20 min

## Section V: Patient Data and Baseline State

A. Patient Profile and History			
Patient Name: Sunny Mills		Age: 38	Weight: 75 kg
Gender: M     F		Code Status: Full	
Chief Complaint: Syncopal episode, now difficulty breathing			
History of Presenting Illness: Aching legs with edema x 4 weeks. Mildly dyspneic since start of third trimester, dyspnea much worse today. Syncopal episode at home.			
Past Medical History:	Single gestation pregnancy confirmed on 3 <sup>rd</sup> trimester U/S	Medications:	Prenatal vitamins
Allergies: None			



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~~Social History: No drugs, no EtOH, lives with husband and child. No psychiatric history.~~

Family History: Non-contributory

Review of Systems:	CNS:	Nil		
	HEENT:	Nil		
	CVS:	Peripheral edema, bilateral legs > arms.		
	RESP:	Dyspnea worsening over 3 <sup>rd</sup> trimester.		
	GI:	Nil		
	GU:	Pregnancy unremarkable. No vaginal bleeding or abdominal pain.		
	MSK:	Nil	INT:	Nil

## B. Baseline Simulator State and Physical Exam

X No Monitor Display		Monitor On, no data displayed		Monitor on Standard Display	
HR: 110/min		BP: 90/50 (MAP 63)		RR: 35 /min	
				O <sub>2</sub> SAT: 89% on RA	
Rhythm: Sinus rhythm with PVCs		T:36.5 °C		Glucose: 5.8 mmol/L	
				GCS: 15 (E4 V5 M6)	
General Status: Moderate respiratory distress					
CNS:	Alert, oriented, PEARL 3mm, normal reflexes, no clonus				
HEENT:	Nil				
CVS:	Sinus rhythm with PVC's, peripheral edema 2+ to bilateral legs				
RESP:	Respiratory distress, 2-3 word sentences, crackles to bases, tripodding and unable to tolerate supine				
ABDO:	Normal				
GU:	Fundus palpated at xyphoid, non-tender				
MSK:	Nil			SKIN:	Nil



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## Section VI: Scenario Progression

Scenario States, Modifiers and Triggers			
Patient State	Patient Status	Learner Actions, Modifiers & Triggers to Move to Next State	
<b>1. Baseline State</b> Rhythm: Sinus tachycardia with frequent non- perfusing PVCs HR: 110/min BP: 90/50 (63) RR: 35/min O <sub>2</sub> SAT: 89% RA T: 36.5°C Gluc: 5.8 GCS: 15 (4E, 5V, 6M) FHR: 150 bpm	Moderate respiratory distress, crackles on exam, tripodding, will not tolerate laying supine +2 pitting edema bilateral lower legs	<u>Learner Actions</u> - History & physical (ABC's) - O <sub>2</sub> , IV x 2 with NS TXVO, monitors - Left lateral tilt with wedge - Glucose check - Fetal heart monitor or check FHR with Doppler  - Labs – including trop, LFTs, and coags - CXR portable - ECG - POCUS (FAST & OB normal Cardiac shows poor EF, Lung shows B lines) - Call RT for BiPap - Call OB for urgent C/S - Trial 250-500ml IV NS bolus	<u>Modifiers</u> <i>Changes to patient condition based on            learner action</i> - No O <sub>2</sub> placed: SpO <sub>2</sub> to 85%, O <sub>2</sub> applied, SpO <sub>2</sub> increases to 92% - No lateral tilt: BP to 75/40 (52) and patient feels weak/decreasing LOC  <u>Triggers</u> <i>For progression to next state</i> - All actions complete or 5 mins into case → <b>2. Respiratory            failure</b>

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2. Respiratory failure	Worsening respiratory distress, drowsy.	<u>Learner Actions</u>	<u>Modifiers</u>
<p>Rhythm: Sinus tachycardia with PVC's</p> <p>HR: 115/min</p> <p>BP: 95/50 (63)</p> <p>RR: 40/min,</p> <p>O<sub>2</sub>SAT: 87% on bipap, despite 100% FiO<sub>2</sub></p> <p>T: 36.5°C</p> <p>Gluc: 5.8</p> <p>GCS 14 – drowsy (E3, V5, M6)</p>	<p><b>+++crackles and wheeze bilaterally</b></p> <p>SpO<sub>2</sub> starts dropping despite prior management</p> <p>Decreasing LOC, is drowsy, no longer candidate for bipap</p> <p>Patient now tolerates lying flat</p> <p>Mallampati Class III airway</p>	<p><u>Plan for intubation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Call RT</li> <li>- Call Anesthesia/ OB/ Cardiology/ NICU STAT</li> <li>- - Airway assessment (presume difficult airway)</li> <li>- Apenic Oxygenation NP 15L/min under BVM</li> <li>- Ramping to sniffing position while maintaining left lateral displacement</li> <li>- RSI medications ordered and drawn up</li> <li>- Vasopressor at bedside (norepi, epinephrine, push dose phenylephrine)</li> <li>-</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Optimized oxygenation for intubation -&gt; SpO<sub>2</sub> to 95%</li> </ul> <p>No left lateral displacement-&gt; BP to 75/40 (52)</p> <p>Not ramped -&gt; Mallampati Class IV</p> <p>ELM applied- improved Mallampati by 1 class</p>

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<p><b>3. Intubation</b></p> <p>Rhythm: Sinus tachycardia with PVC's  HR: 125/min  BP: 90/50 (63)  RR: 40/min,  O<sub>2</sub>SAT: 87% despite 100% FiO<sub>2</sub>  T: 36.5°C  GCS 14 – drowsy (E3, V5, M6)  EtCO<sub>2</sub>: 46</p>		<p><b>Learner actions:</b></p> <p>MRP to state airway plan to team with considerations for a difficult airway / positioning  <i>(Example):</i>  A) Glidescope  B) Direct  C) iGel/Cric</p> <p>BVM with PEEP or NIPPV prior to intubation</p> <p>Meds:  -Consider push dose phenyl Ketamine then Roc with  – closed loop communication</p> <p>Intubation + PEEP  -Confirmation of placement via auscultation, ETCO<sub>2</sub>, chest rise &amp; call for portable cxr  - Verbalize vent settings  - Post-intubation sedation initiated  -OG and Urinary Catheter inserted</p>	<p><u>Triggers</u>  - Intubation → <b>3. Hypotension</b></p> <p>PPV prior to intubation → SpO<sub>2</sub> up to 95%</p> <p>GCS to 3 post induction</p>
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<p><b>4. Hypotension</b></p> <p>Rhythm: sinus with PVCs  HR: 100/min  BP: 75/35 (48)  RR: 20  O<sub>2</sub> sat: 95% with PEEP 10  EtCO<sub>2</sub>: 46  GCS: 3</p>	<p>Sedated  Intubated  Ventilated</p>	<p><u>Learner Actions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Consultants called (if not yet done)</li> <li>- Start vasopressor (Norepinephrine ideal)</li> <li>- Inotropes discussed +/- given (dobutamine 2.5-20 mcg/kg/min)</li> <li>- ± Set up for arterial line</li> </ul>	<p><u>Modifiers</u>  - Norepi started: BP to 80/40 (53)</p> <p><u>Triggers</u>  - Inotropes started → <b>4. Improvement</b></p>
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<b>5. Improvement</b> Rhythm: sinus rhythm HR: 80/ min BP: 100/70 RR: 20 O2 sat: 95% on CMV EtCO2: 44 GCS: 3	Sedated Intubated Ventilated	<u>Learner Actions</u> - Initiates inotropes and furosemide based on Cardiology's recommendations if not yet done - STAT formal Echo - Arterial line, central line (if not done) - Call OB again Handover to consultant or prep for transport	<u>Modifiers</u>  <u>Triggers</u> - Cardiology staff or paramedic transport team arrives after 3 mins → END CASE
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## Section VI: Scenario Progression

## Section VII: Supporting Documents, Laboratory Results, & Multimedia

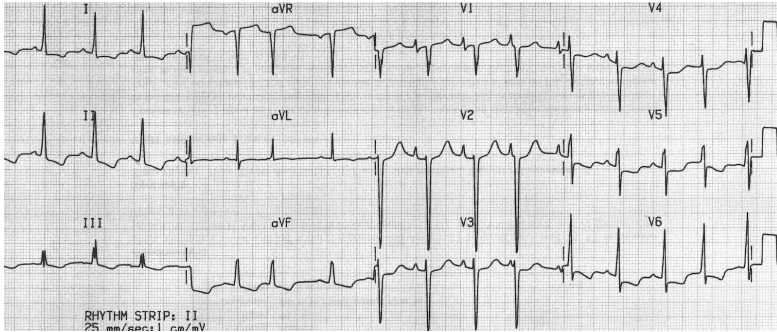
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Ca: 2.5		Mg: 1.0		PO <sub>4</sub> : 0.90		Albumin: 35
VBG	pH: 7.20	PCO <sub>2</sub> : 32	PO <sub>2</sub> : 98	HCO <sub>3</sub> : 23	Lactate: 2.8	
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Trop: 60						



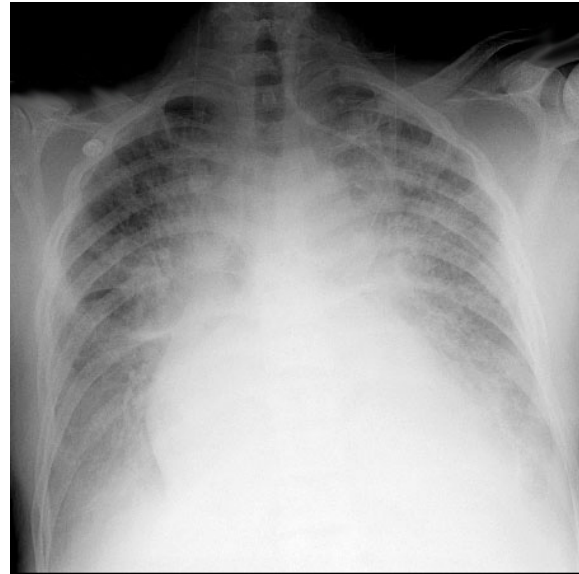


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## Images (ECGs, CXRs, etc.)

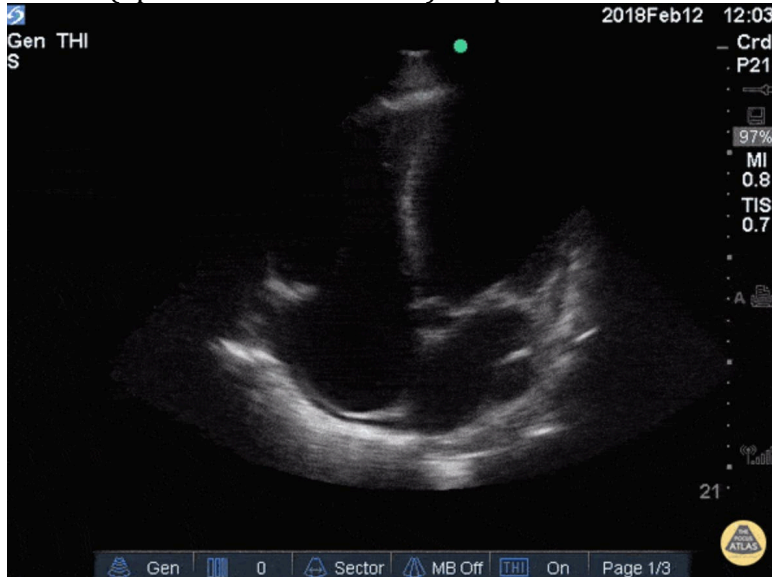


<https://lifeinthefastlane.com/ecg-library/dilated-cardiomyopathy/>



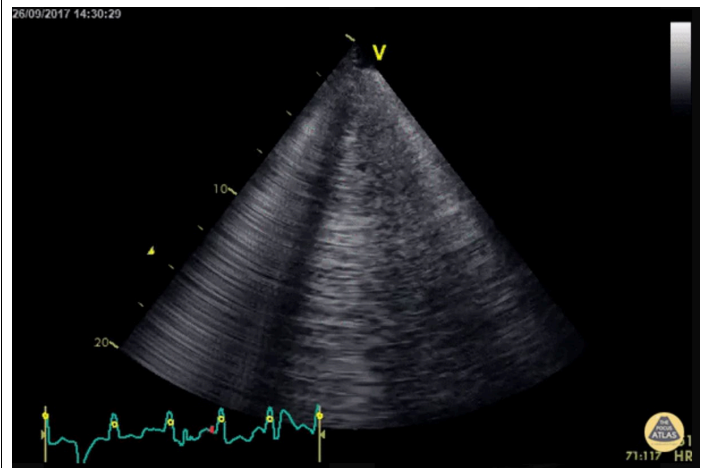
<https://www.med-ed.virginia.edu/courses/rad/cxr/postquestions/posttest.html>

### POCUS (apical 4 chamber view)- Impaired EF



<http://www.thepocusatlas.com/echo/2hj4yjl0bcpxxokzzoyip9mnz1ck5>

### POCUS Lung Views (Bilat)



<http://www.thepocusatlas.com/pulmonary/>

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FAST- RUQ (still)



<http://sinaiem.us/tutorials/fast/us-ruq-normal/>

FAST- OB with FHR

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SKKnTLqI\\_VM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SKKnTLqI_VM)

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## Section VIII: Debriefing Guide

General Debriefing Plan			
Individual	Group	With Video	Without Video
Objectives			
Educational Goal:	To manage acute CHF and cardiogenic shock in a pregnant patient with cardiomyopathy		
CRM Objectives:	<div>1. Effectively lead a team through the uncommon presentation of cardiogenic shock in pregnancy</div> <div>2. Efficiently utilize closed-loop communication between team members</div> <div>3. Communicate with consultants early in the management of a sick pregnant patient</div>		
Medical Objectives:	<div>1. Recognize a critically ill pregnant patient with cardiogenic shock</div> <div>2. Work through the differential diagnosis of dyspnea in pregnancy</div> <div>3. Facilitate safe intubation with considerations for a pregnant patient</div>		
Sample Questions for Debriefing			
<div>1. What are the physiological and anatomical considerations in the resuscitation of a pregnant patient?</div> <div>2. Describe your differential for dyspnea in pregnancy</div> <div>3. What is on the differential for etiologies of cardiogenic shock? How can you clinically differentiate between these on initial examination?</div> <div>4. What are some risk factors for peripartum cardiomyopathy?</div> <div>5. What considerations must be made in the airway management of a pregnant patient? What about RSI medications?</div>			
Key Moments			
<div>1. Recognizing and managing shock in a pregnant patient</div>			
<div>2. Intubation planning for the pregnant patient</div>			
<div>3. Providing inotropic support in a patient with cardiogenic shock</div>			