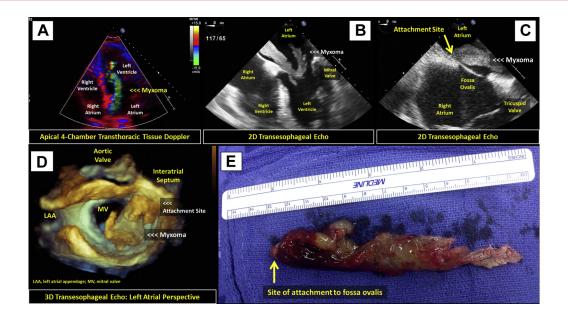
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Giant Nonfamilial Left Atrial Myxoma Presenting With Eye Embolism and Nonvalvular Streptococcus sanguinis Endocarditis



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From New York University Langone Medical Center, New York, New York. Manuscript received November 27, 2013; accepted December 3, 2013. 64-year-old man developed a 3-month history of recurrent fatigue, fevers, and leukocytosis after teeth cleaning. A year earlier, he had experienced sudden vision loss in the left eye, believed to be nonarteritic anterior ischemic neuropathy.

Two-dimensional (2D) and 3-dimensional (3D) transthoracic and transesophageal echocardiography revealed a shaggy, highly mobile, 13.0×1.5 cm sausage-like mass in the left heart (**A and B**, Online Video 1). The mass prolapsed intermittently through the mitral valve into the left ventricle and was tethered to the interatrial septum near the fossa ovalis (**C and D**, Online Videos 2 and 3). Neither significant mitral regurgitation nor mitral stenosis was observed. Blood cultures grew *Streptococcus sanguinis*.

The patient underwent surgical removal of the mass (E, Online Video 4). Histopathology revealed left atrial myxoma superinfected with *S sanguinis*. Despite the giant tumor size and its plop through the mitral valve, the myxoma was clinically silent until it led to subacute nonvalvular infective endocarditis and likely prior ocular embolism.