

Stages and phenotypes of heart failure

At risk for heart failure

Stage A

At high risk for HF but without structural heart disease or symptoms of HF

e.g. Patients with:

- Hypertension
 - Diabetes mellitus
 - Obesity
 - Metabolic syndrome
- OR

Patients:

- Using cardiotoxins
- With family history of cardiomyopathy

Structural heart disease

Stage B

Structural heart disease but without signs or symptoms of HF

e.g. Patients with:

- Previous MI
- LV remodeling and low EF
- Asymptomatic valvular disease

Development of symptoms of HF

Heart failure

Stage C

Structural heart disease but prior or current symptoms of HF

e.g. Patients with:

- Known structural heart disease and
- HF signs and symptoms

Refractory symptoms of HF at rest, despite GDMT

Stage D Refractory HF

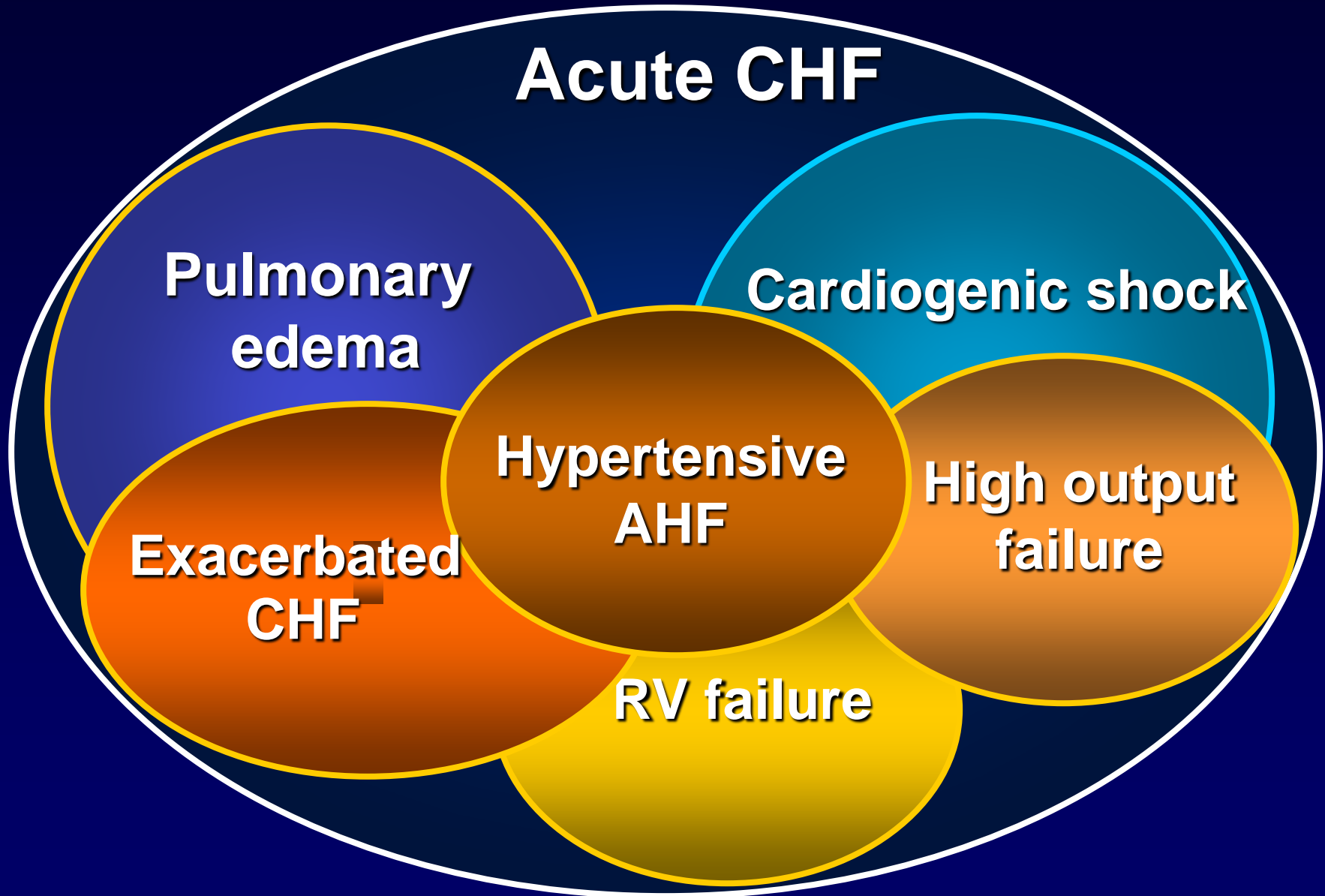
e.g. Patients with:

- Marked HF symptoms at rest
- Recurrent hospitalisations despite GDMT

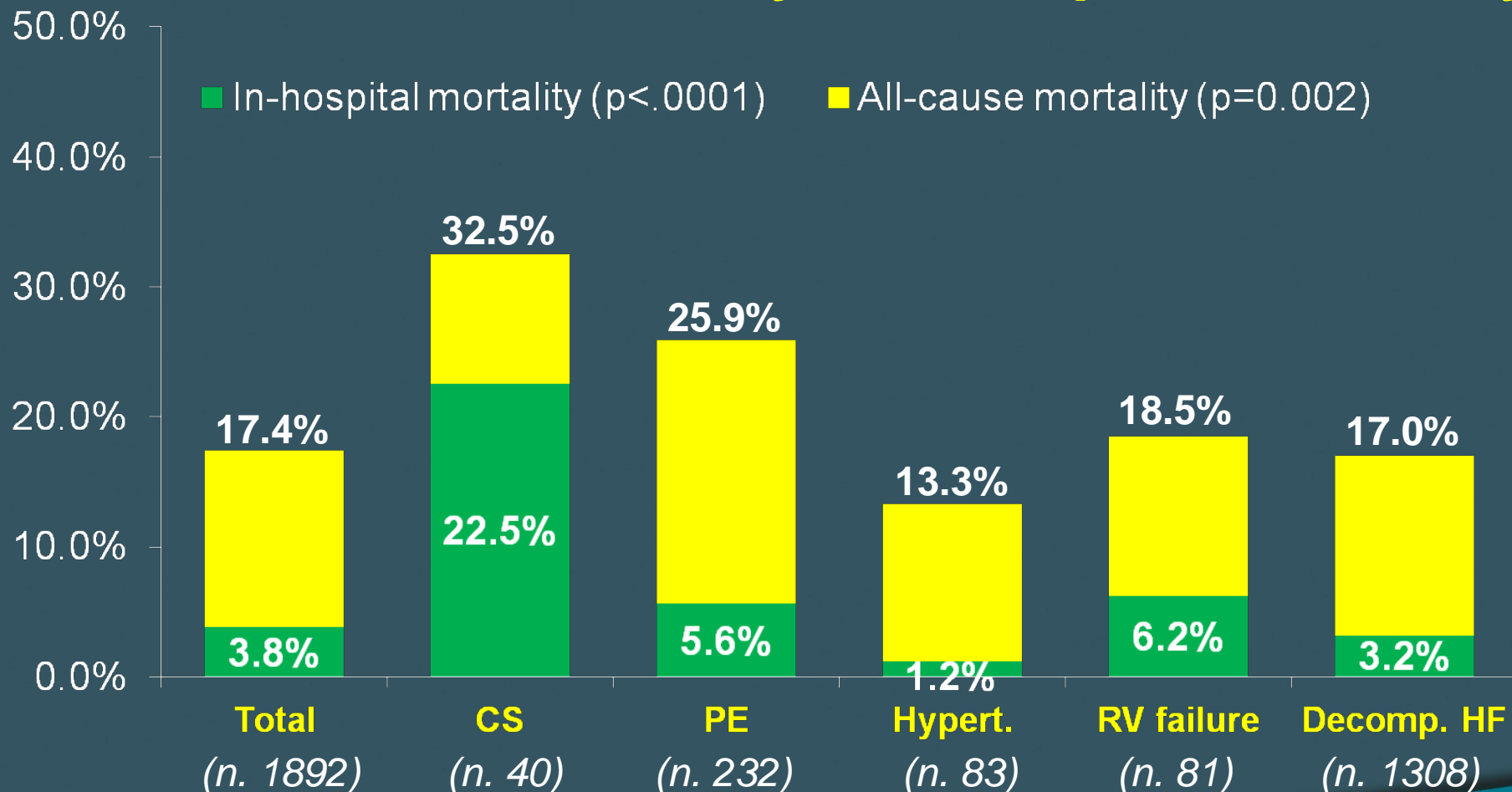
Advanced heart failure

Acute CHF

Diagnosis of different clinical syndromes



Acute HF: All-cause mortality*: Overall and by clinical profile at entry



*median follow-up 356 days [325-366]

CS=Cardiogenic shock; PE=Pulmonary edema; RV=Right ventricular

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Demographics and other baseline characteristics of study population who performed 1-year FU



	Hospital n=4449	Outpatients n=7173	P-value
Age (years), mean \pm SD	69.35 \pm 12.98	64.89 \pm 13.30	<0.0001
Age (years), median [IQR]	71 [61-79]	66 [57-75]	<0.0001
≥ 75 years, %	38.9	26.0	<0.0001
Females, %	37.4	28.8	<0.0001
BMI (kg/m ²), mean \pm SD	28.67 \pm 5.39	28.10 \pm 5.04	<0.0001
BMI (kg/m ²), median [IQR]	28 [25-31]	28 [25-31]	<0.0001
SBP (mmHg), mean \pm SD	133.45 \pm 28.17	123.78 \pm 20.73	<0.0001
SBP (mmHg), median [IQR]	130 [110-150]	120 [110-136]	0.0001
SBP ≤ 110 mmHg, %	25.2	31.0	<0.0001
HR (bpm), mean \pm SD	90.82 \pm 25.27	72.70 \pm 15.29	<0.0001
HR (bpm), median [IQR]	88 [73-102]	70 [62-80]	<0.0001
HR ≥ 70 bpm, %	82.7	55.2	<0.0001
EF (%), mean \pm SD (available for 9 198 pts)	40.42 \pm 14.89	37.21 \pm 13.62	<0.0001
EF (%), median [IQR] (available for 9 198 pts)	39.00 [30-52]	35.00 [28-45]	<0.0001
EF >45%, %	33.4	23.2	<0.0001
EF >40%, %	41.6	33.2	0.0001
EF >50%, %	25.7	16.3	<0.0001

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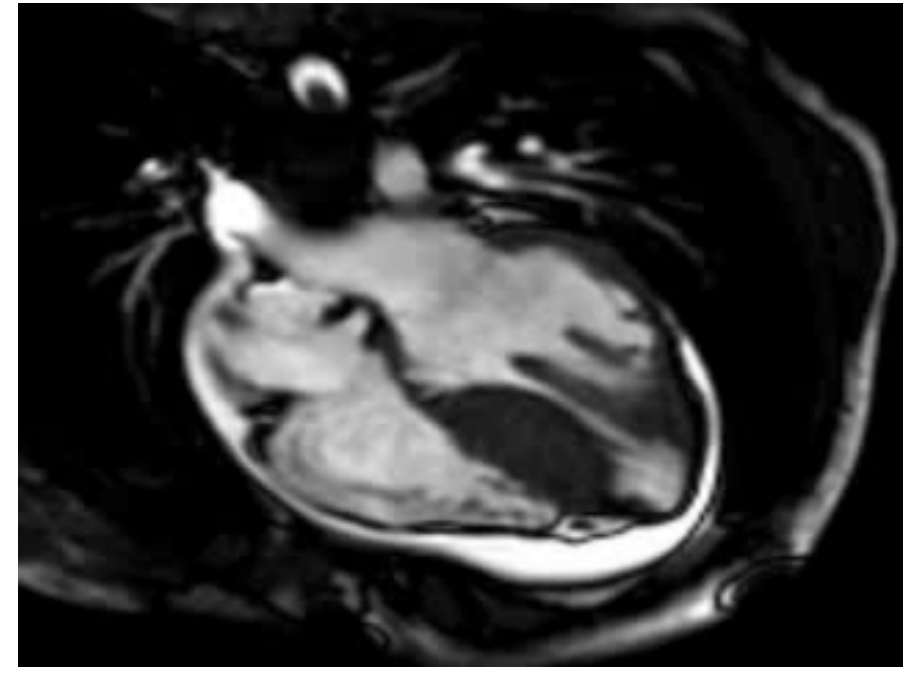
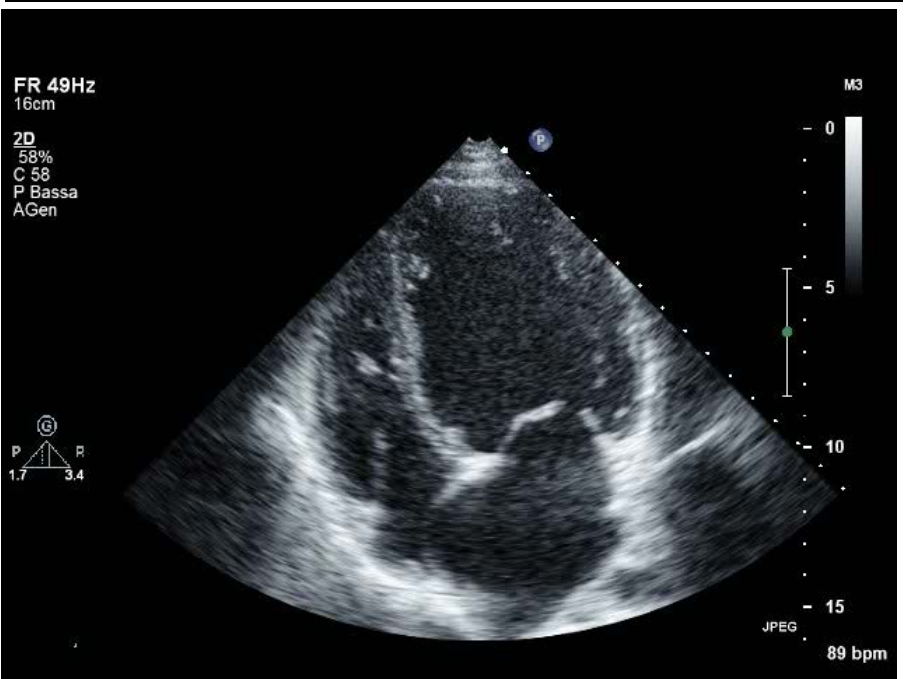
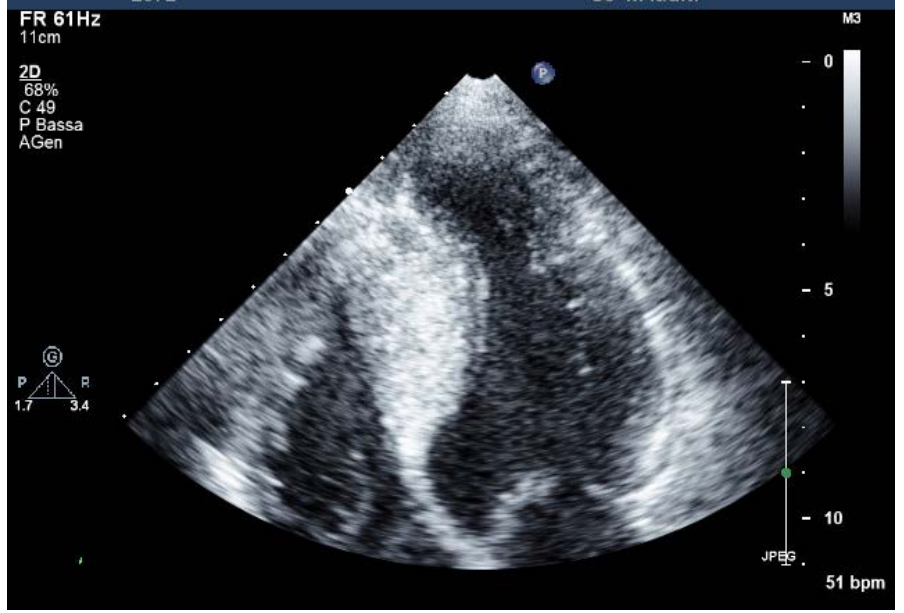


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NYHA III-IV, %	85.2	25.2	<0.0001
Pulmonary or peripheral congestion, %	84.8	74.4	<0.0001
Sound 3, %	31.8	5.6	<0.0001
Peripheral hypoperfusion/cold, %	14.9	3.4	<0.0001
Mitral regurgitation, %	44.2	25.8	<0.0001
Aortic stenosis, %	8.9	3.9	<0.0001
HF history with previous hospitalisation, %	30.3	41.1	<0.0001
HF history without previous hospitalisation, %	40.6	48.9	
New onset HF	29.1	10.0	
HF diagnosis >12 months, %	54.8	64.2	<0.0001
Ischemic heart disease, %	53.8	43.1	<0.0001
Atrial fibrillation, %	44.0	37.7	<0.0001
Diabetes mellitus, %	39.0	31.9	<0.0001
PAD, %	13.7	12.4	0.04

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Hypertension, %	65.6	58.3	<0.0001
COPD, %	20.1	13.9	<0.0001
Sleep apnea, %	3.2	5.3	<0.0001
Prior stroke/TIA, %	12.5	9.5	<0.0001
Renal dysfunction, %	25.3	18.4	<0.0001
Hepatic dysfunction, %	7.7	3.4	<0.0001
Depression, %	7.4	7.7	0.65
PM, %	6.4	5.8	0.28



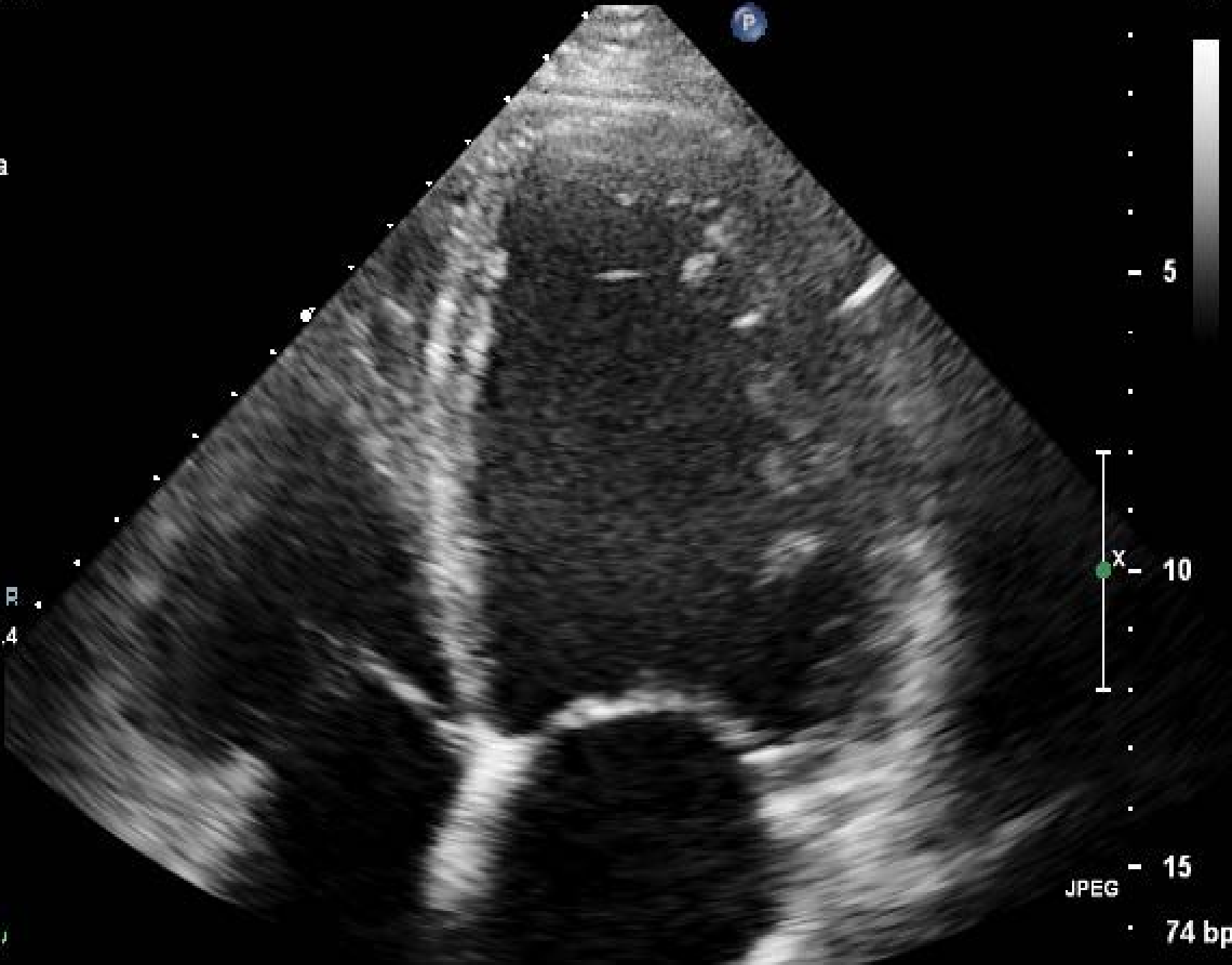
Scenario 1

23 aa; recente virosi; shock; PA
85/72 mmHg; FC 130 min; RS;
Creatinina 1.3 mg/dl; lattati 5
mmmol/l; GOT/GPT 500/650 U/l;
BNP 2500 pg/ml; TnI 4.2 ng/ml;
rapida risposta a DBT

FR 47Hz
17cm

M3

2D
61%
C 58
P Bassa
AGen



JPEG

74 bpm

Scenario 2b

23 aa; recente virosi; shock; PA 85/70 mmHg; FC 130 min; RS; Creatinina 1.3 mg/dl; lattati 5 mmmol/l; GOT/GPT 500/650 U/l; BNP 2500 pg/ml; Tnl 4.2 ng/ml; rapida risposta a DBT;

per FA parossistica-TVns, Amiodarone ev;

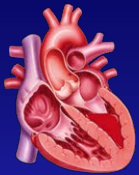
rapido peggioramento EGA con pO2 58 mmHg;
CPAP; deterioramento IOT-ECMO;

BEM: miocardite;

in VI gg FEVsin 40%; stop ECMO in VII e inizio
svezzamento inotropi;

inizia terapia convenzionale; RM: aree LE ++;

1 mese dopo; NYHA I, FEVsin 50%



Patient Selection and Treatment

		CONGESTION	
		--	+
ADEQUATE PERFUSION	+	A dry-warm (N=123)	B wet-warm (N=222)
	-	L dry-cold (N=16)	C wet-cold (N=91)

Congestion at Rest

No

Yes

Warm & Dry
PCWP normal
CI normal
(compensated)
RARE

Warm & Wet
PCWP elevated
CI normal
FAIRLY COMMON

Cold & Dry
PCWP low/normal
CI decreased
RARE

Cold & Wet
PCWP elevated
CI decreased
MOST PATIENTS
Normal SVR High SVR

Natriuretic Peptides
Nesiritide

or

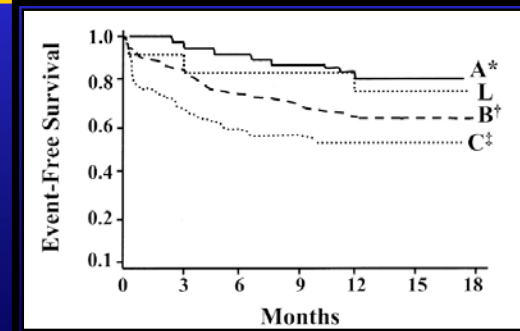
Vasodilators
Nitroprusside
Nitroglycerin

Inotropic Drugs
Dobutamine
Milrinone

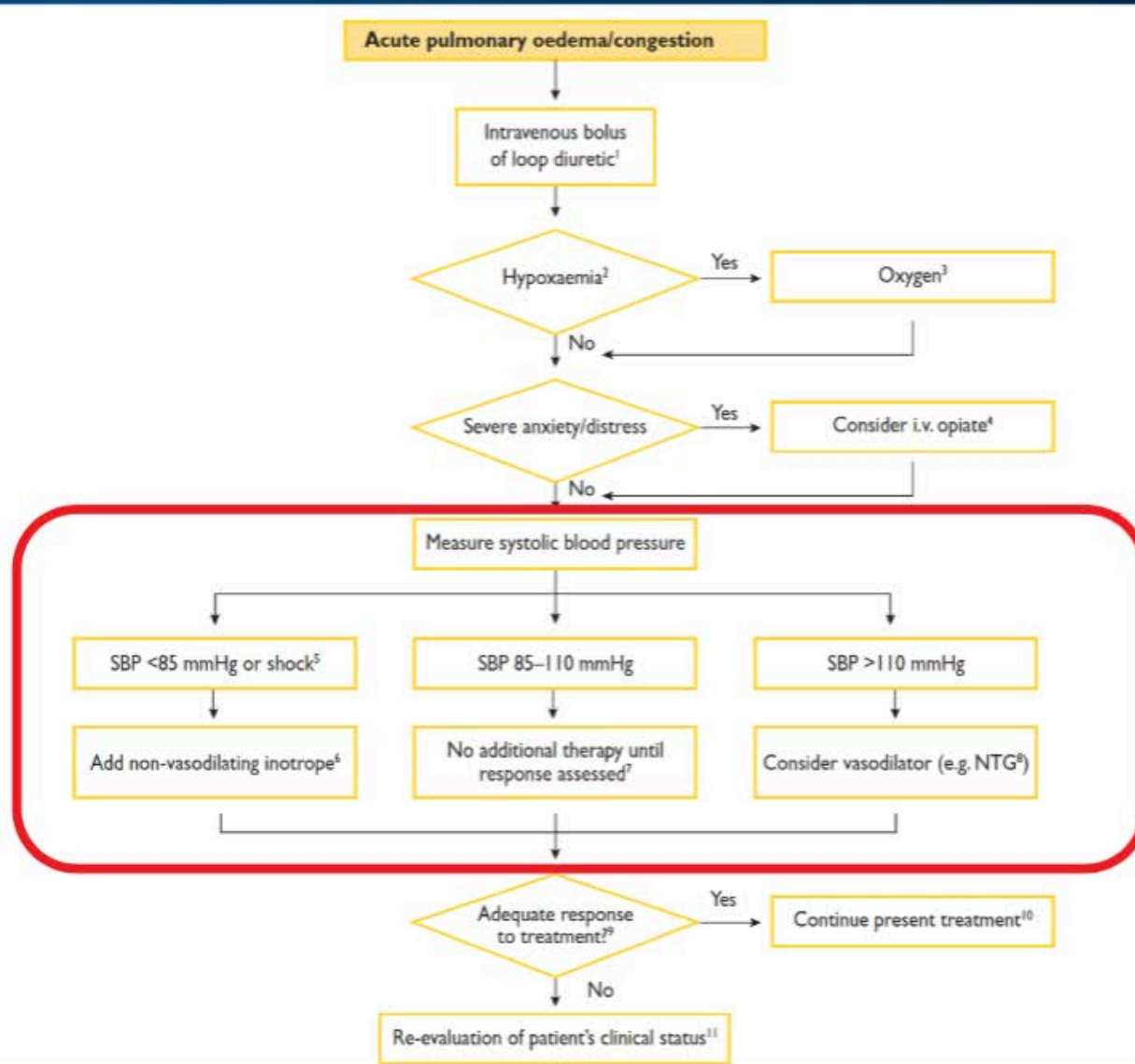
Low Perfusion at Rest

No

Yes



Management of Acute Heart Failure

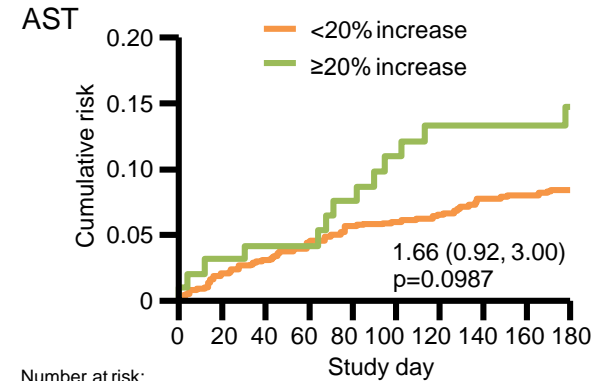
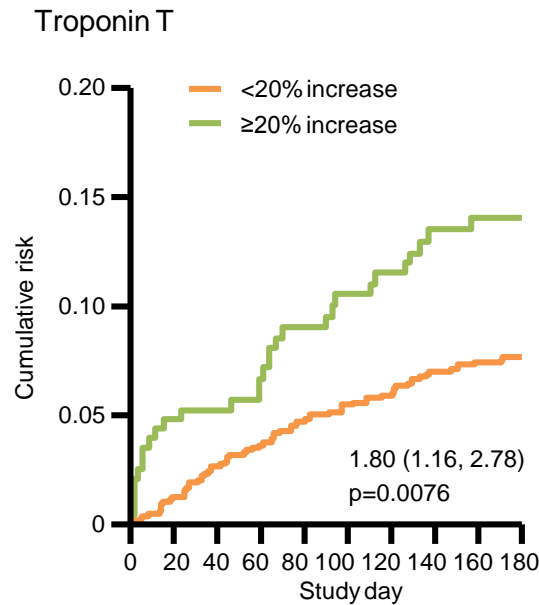
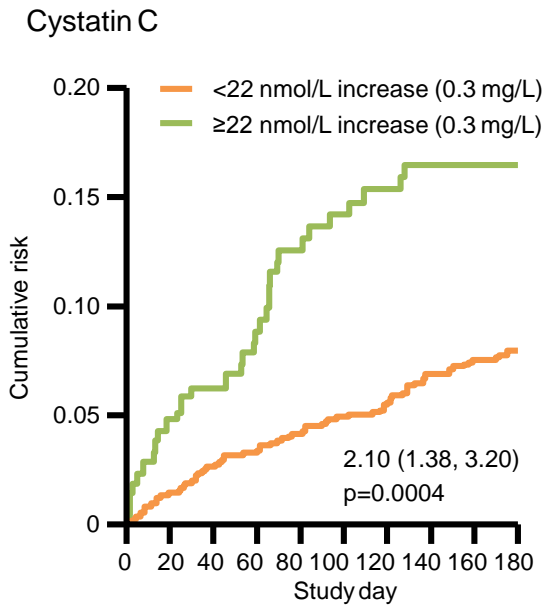


Prognostic value of 48 h end-organ damage 180-days mortality - RELAX-AHF

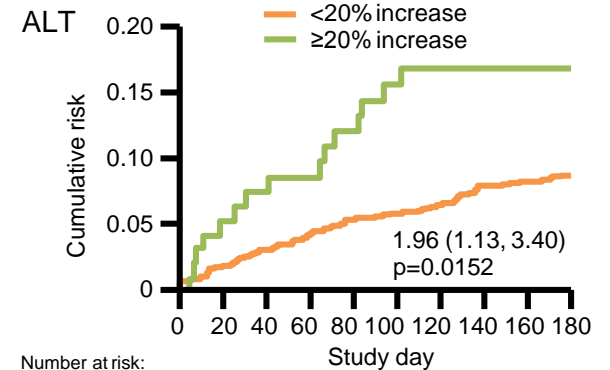
Renal

Cardiac

Hepatic



Number at risk:
 <20% Increase 906 882 872 861 852 845 841 830 827 718
 ≥ 20% Increase 99 96 95 95 92 89 87 87 86 71

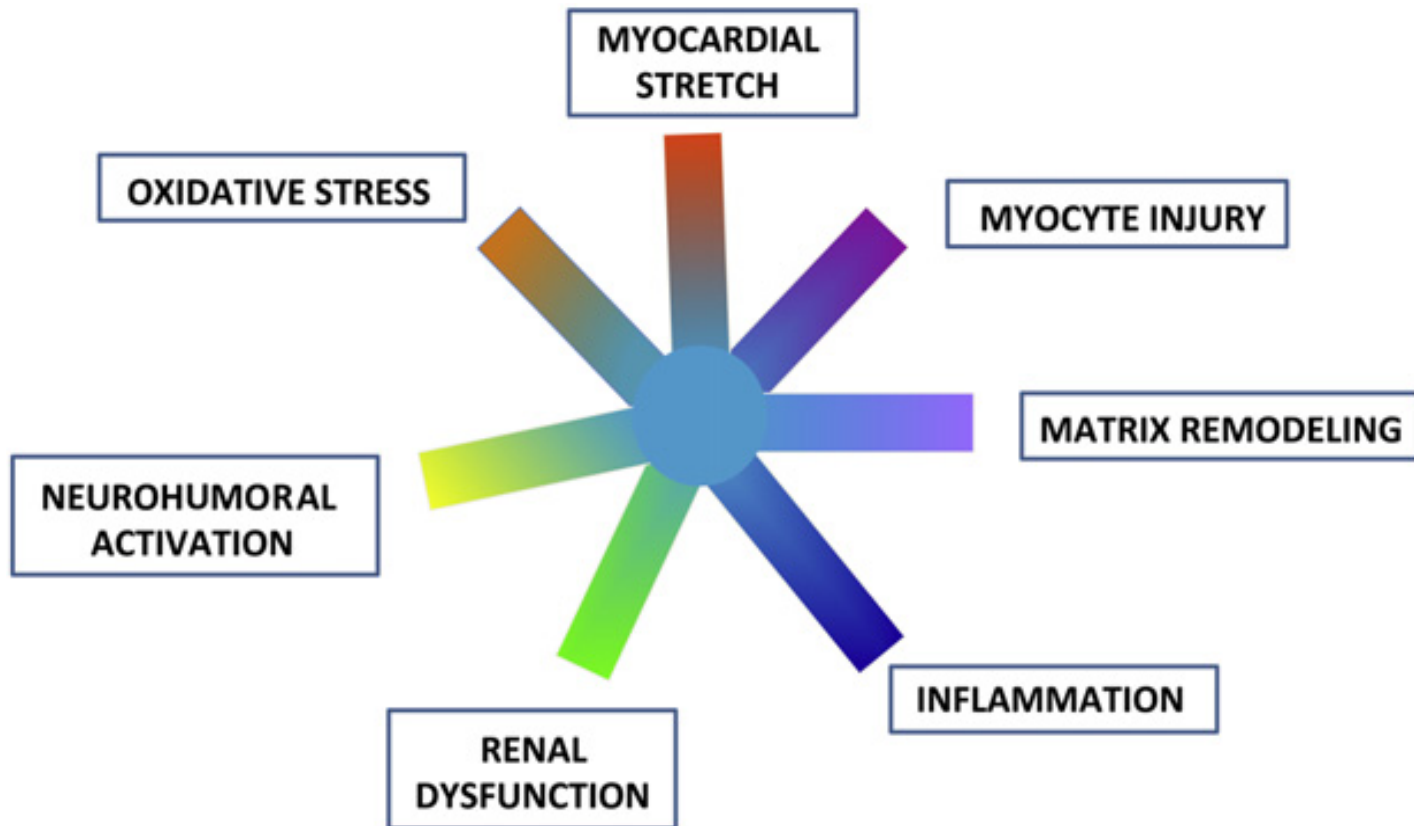


Number at risk:
 <20% Increase 970 946 935 924 914 907 901 889 885 767
 ≥ 20% Increase 99 94 92 91 88 85 84 84 83 69

Number at risk:
 <22nmol/L Increase 869 851 841 834 826 819 815 804 798 687
 ≥22nmol/L Increase 212 202 199 194 187 184 181 179 179 160

Number at risk:
 <20% Increase 825 810 799 790 782 775 771 762 759 654
 ≥ 20% Increase 231 219 218 216 210 207 204 200 199 174

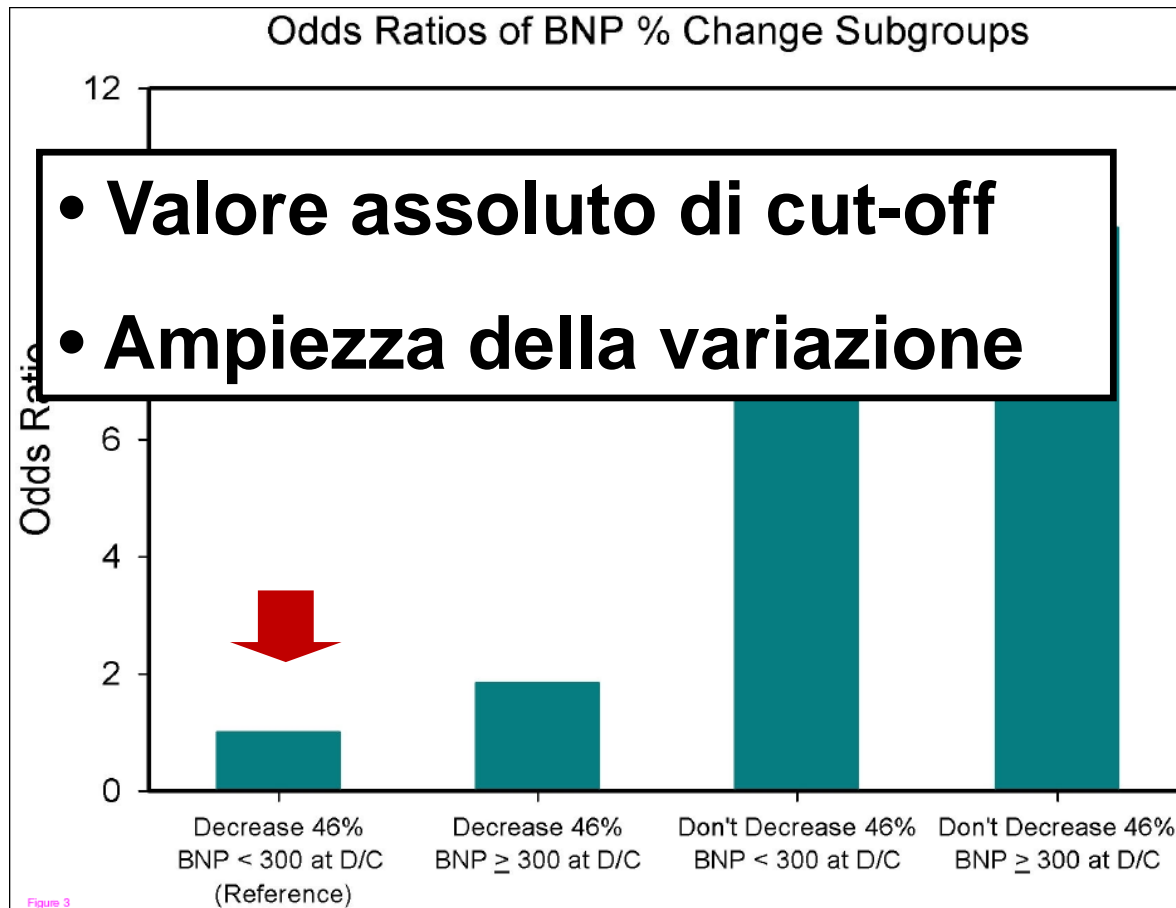
Multimarker Strategies



..but most cases are managed with “first line” data, i.e creatinine, Na, Hb, pH, lactate

BNP ingresso-dimissione (deltaBNP)

N° 287 – BNP mediano 822



I pazienti con valori di deltaBNP < 46% e BNP in dimissione > 300 pg/mL hanno il più alto rischio di eventi



RCT in ACUTE HF

Class	Drug	Trial	Year	Results
PDE-III inhibitors	Milrinone	OPTIME-CHF ¹	2002	n.s. mortality, ↑ side effects
Ca ²⁺ -sensitizers	Levosimendan	SURVIVE, ² REVIVE ³	2007	n.s. outcomes (vs dobutamine), ↑ side effects (vs placebo)
Endothelin-antagonists	Tezosentan	VERITAS ⁴	2007	n.s. dyspnea and outcomes
Vasopressin antagonists	Tolvaptan	EVEREST ⁵	2007	Slight ↓dyspnea, n.s. outcomes
Adenosine A1 receptor antagonist	Rolofylline	PROTECT ⁶	2010	Slight ↓dyspnea, n.s. outcomes; ↑ seizures
Natriuretic peptides	Nesiritde	ASCEND-HF ⁷	2011	Slight ↓dyspnea, n.s. outcomes

n.s.=non significant;
PDE=phosphodiesterase

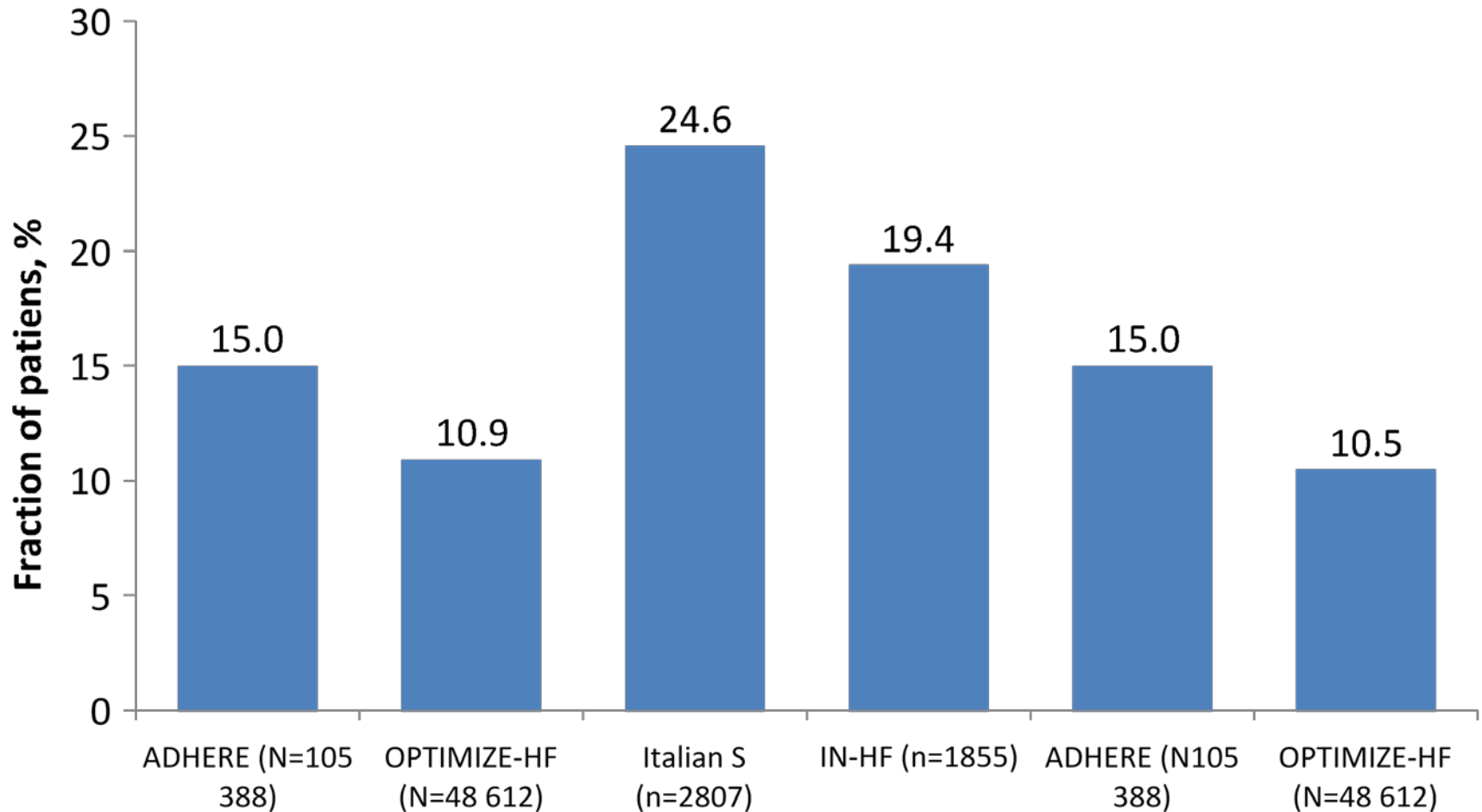
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ESC Guidelines for the diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic heart failure 2012

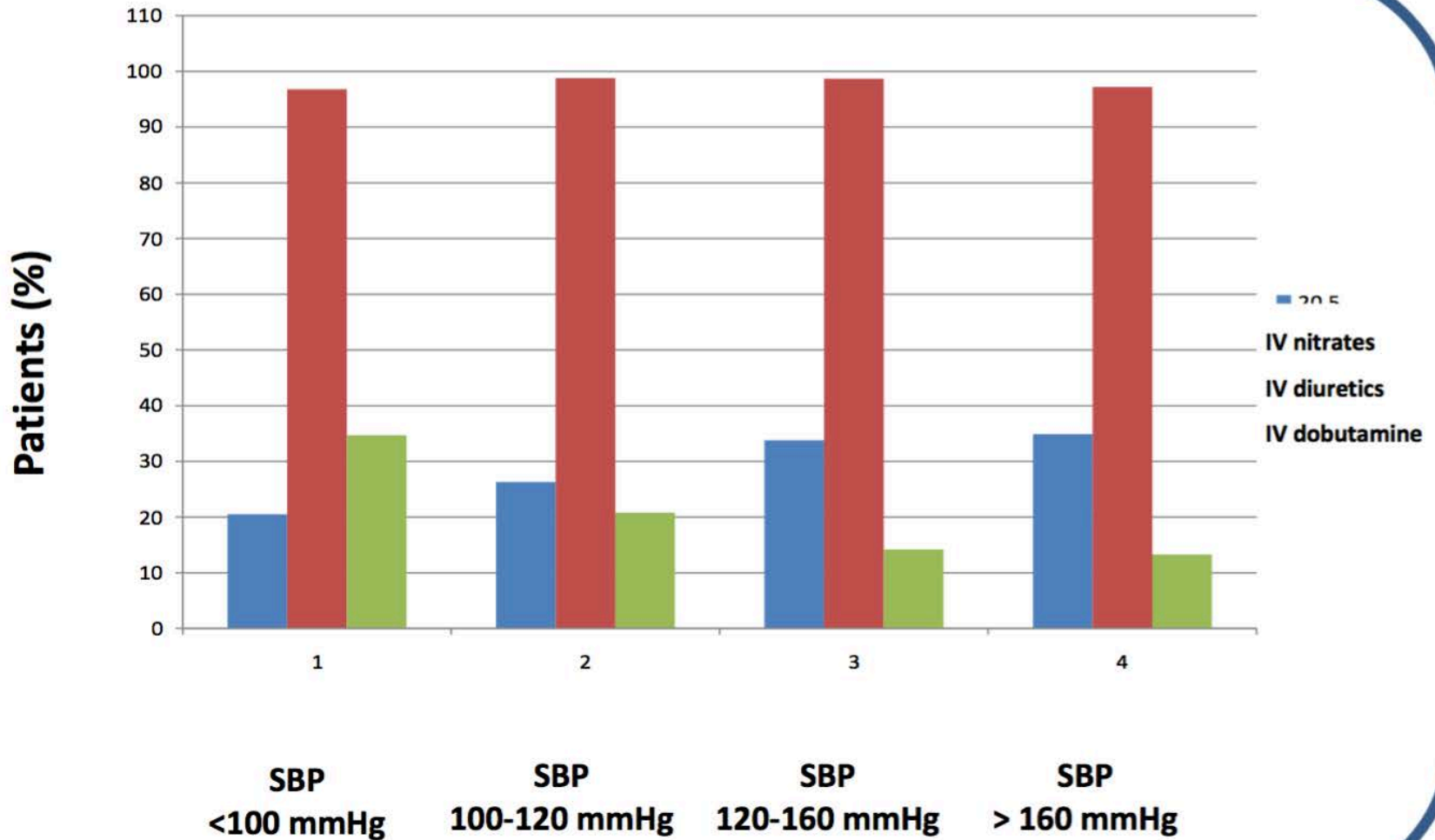
Inotropic agents are NOT recommended unless the patient is hypotensive (systolic blood pressure <85 mmHg), hypoperfused, or shocked because of safety concerns (atrial and ventricular arrhythmias, myocardial ischaemia, and death).	III	C	–
Patients with hypotension, hypoperfusion or shock			
Electrical cardioversion is recommended if an atrial or ventricular arrhythmia is thought to be contributing to the patient's haemodynamic compromise in order to restore sinus rhythm and improve the patient's clinical condition.	I	C	–
An i.v. infusion of an inotrope (e.g. dobutamine) should be considered in patients with hypotension (systolic blood pressure <85 mmHg) and/or hypoperfusion to increase cardiac output, increase blood pressure, and improve peripheral perfusion. The ECG should be monitored continuously because inotropic agents can cause arrhythmias and myocardial ischaemia.	IIa	C	–
Short-term mechanical circulatory support should be considered (as a 'bridge to recovery') in patients remaining severely hypoperfused despite inotropic therapy and with a potentially reversible cause (e.g. viral myocarditis) or a potentially surgically correctable cause (e.g. acute interventricular septal rupture).	IIa	C	–
An i.v. infusion of levosimendan (or a phosphodiesterase inhibitor) may be considered to reverse the effect of beta-blockade if beta-blockade is thought to be contributing to hypoperfusion. The ECG should be monitored continuously because inotropic agents can cause arrhythmias and myocardial ischaemia, and, as these agents are also vasodilators, blood pressure should be monitored carefully.	IIb	C	–
A vasopressor (e.g. dopamine or norepinephrine) may be considered in patients who have cardiogenic shock, despite treatment with an inotrope, to increase blood pressure and vital organ perfusion. The ECG should be monitored as these agents can cause arrhythmias and/or myocardial ischaemia. Intra-arterial blood pressure measurement should be considered.	IIb	C	–
Short-term mechanical circulatory support may be considered (as a 'bridge to decision') in patients deteriorating rapidly before a full diagnostic and clinical evaluation can be made.	IIb	C	–



Pts receiving i.v. inotropic agents: registry data



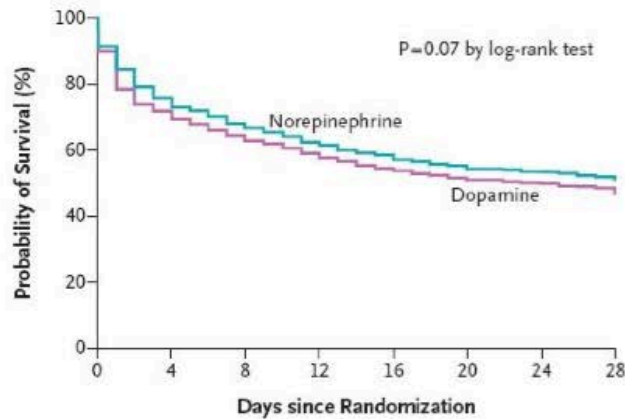
ALARM-HF: In-Hospital Treatment of Acute Pulmonary Edema Patients



Comparison of Dopamine and Norepinephrine in the Treatment of Shock

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1679 pts in total, 280 Cardiogenic shock (16.7%)



No. at Risk									
Norepinephrine	821	617	553	504	467	432	412	394	
Dopamine	858	611	546	494	452	426	407	386	

Figure 2. Kaplan–Meier Curves for 28-Day Survival in the Intention-to-Treat Population.

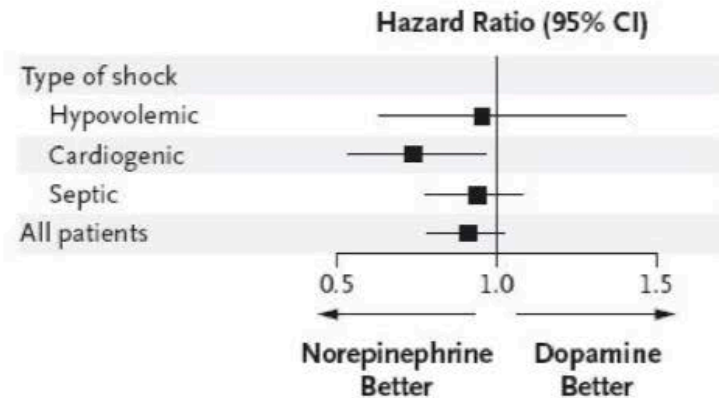
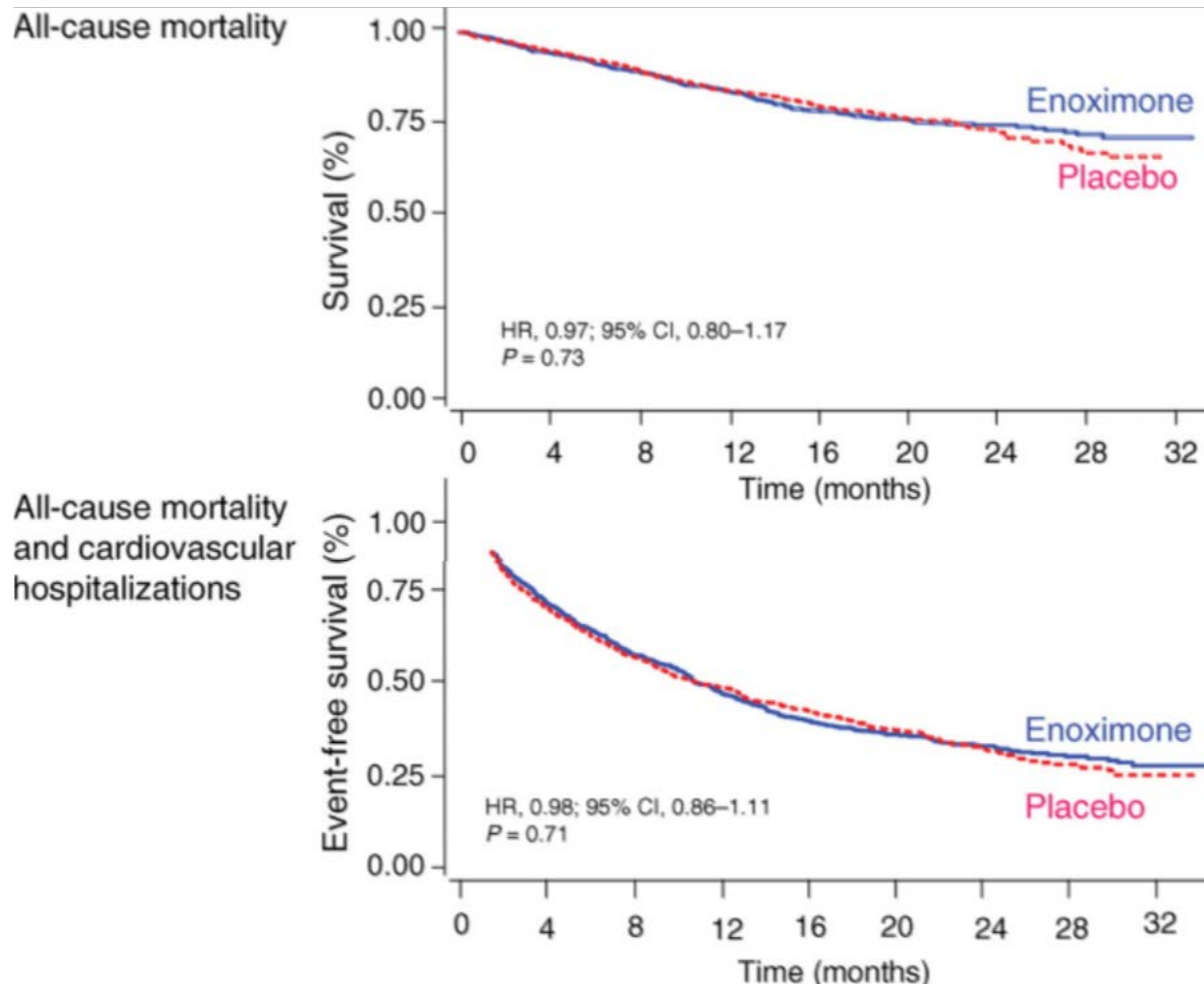


Figure 3. Forest Plot for Predefined Subgroup Analysis According to Type of Shock.



Kaplan–Meier estimates of the time to the safety endpoint of death (up) and to the primary endpoint of death or cardiovascular hospitalization (bottom).



Levosimendan vs Dobutamine for Patients With Acute Decompensated Heart Failure

The SURVIVE Randomized Trial

Alexandre Mebazaa,

JAMA. 2007;297:1883-1891

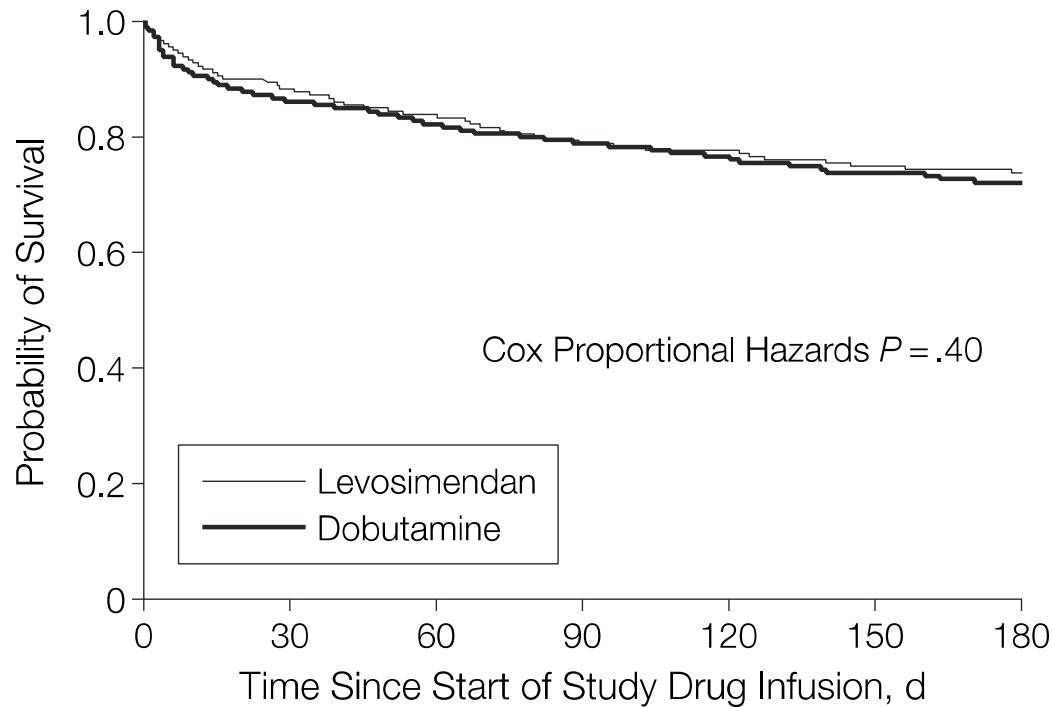
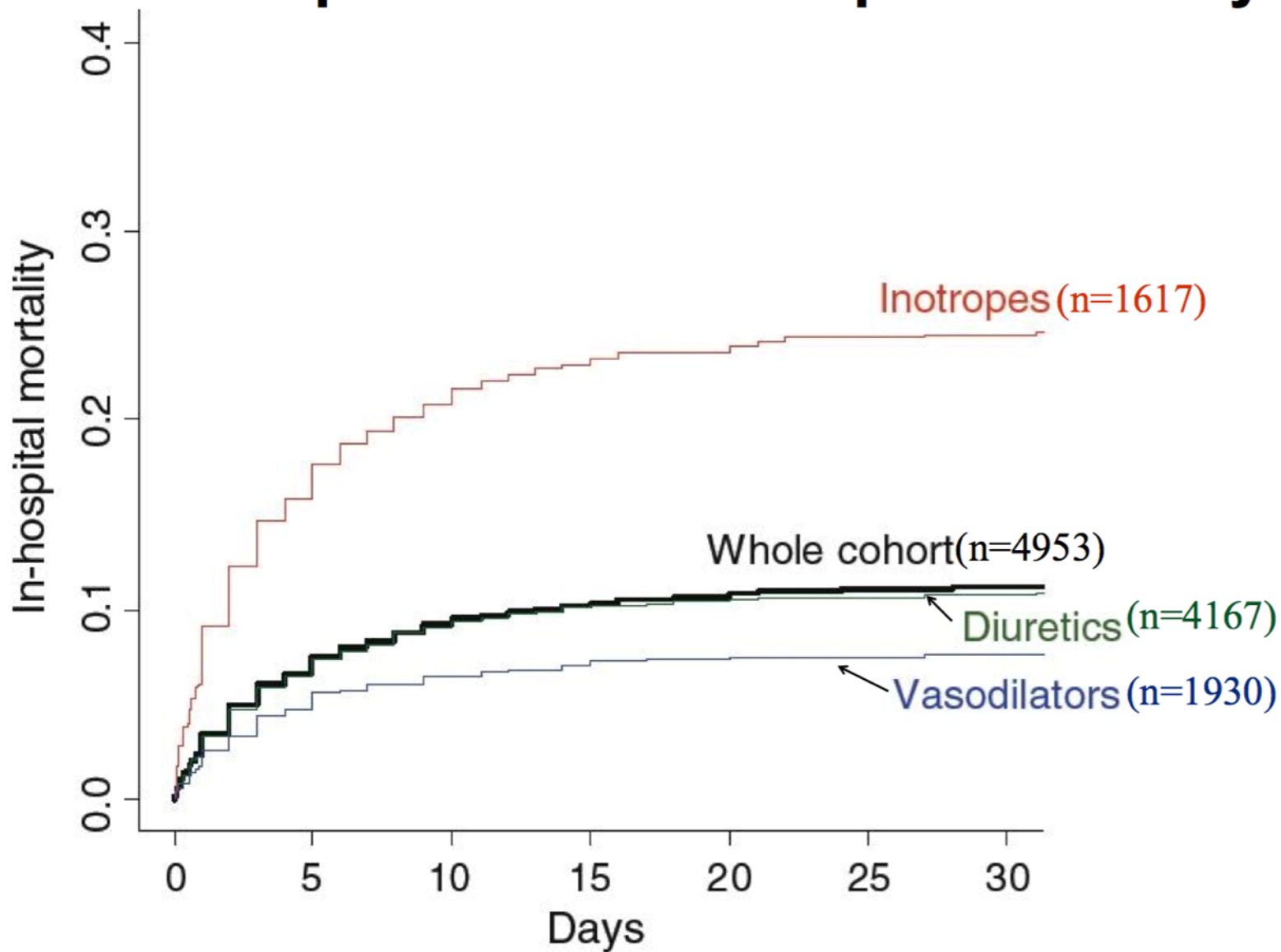


Table 2. Primary, Secondary, and Post Hoc All-Cause Mortality End Points*

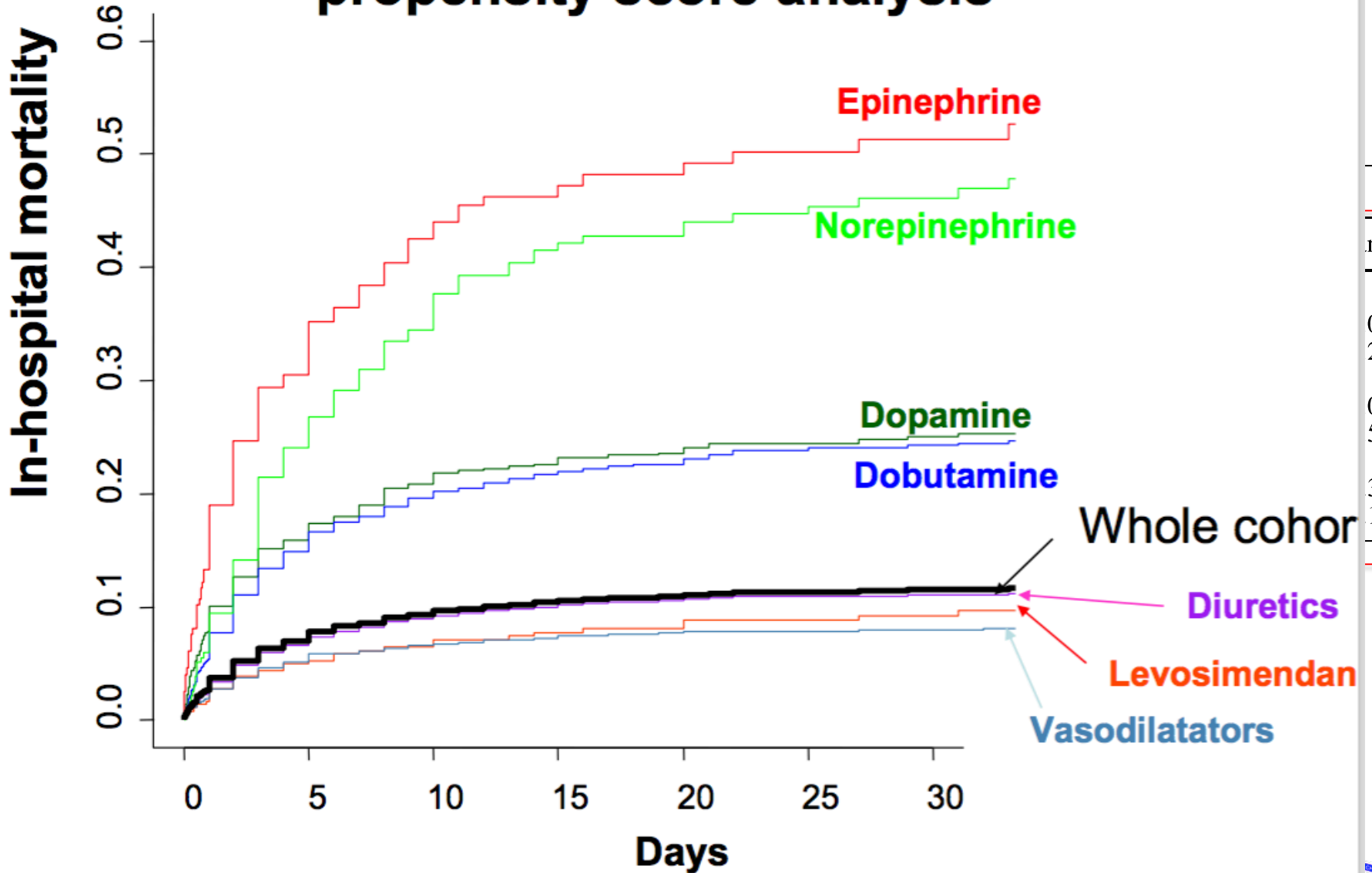
	No. (%) of Patients†		HR (95% CI)	P Value
	Levosimendan (n = 664)	Dobutamine (n = 663)		
Primary end point				
All-cause mortality at 180 d	173 (26)	185 (28)	0.91 (0.74-1.13)	.40‡
Secondary end point				
All-cause mortality at 31 d	79 (12)	91 (14)	0.85 (0.63-1.15)	.29‡
Mean change in BNP at 24 h from baseline, pg/mL	(n = 628) -631	(n = 611) -397		<.001§
Mean No. of days alive and out of the hospital during 180 d	120.2	116.6		.30
Dyspnea assessed at 24 h; ≥mild improvement¶	544 (82)	550 (83)		.96
Global assessment at 24 h; ≥mild improvement¶	531 (80)	537 (81)		>.99
Cardiovascular mortality during 180 d	157 (24)	171 (26)	0.90 (0.72-1.12)	.33‡
Post hoc all-cause mortality				
5 d	29 (4)	40 (6)	0.72 (0.44-1.16)	.17‡
14 d	59 (9)	69 (10)	0.84 (0.59-1.19)	.33‡
90 d	139 (21)	138 (21)	0.99 (0.78-1.25)	.91‡

IMPROVING LONG-TERM SURVIVAL BY SHORT-TERM INOTROPIC THERAPY IN PTS WITH ADVANCED HF...TOO HARD ENDPOINT??

Effect of IV drugs given during the first 48 hours in AHF patients on in-hospital mortality

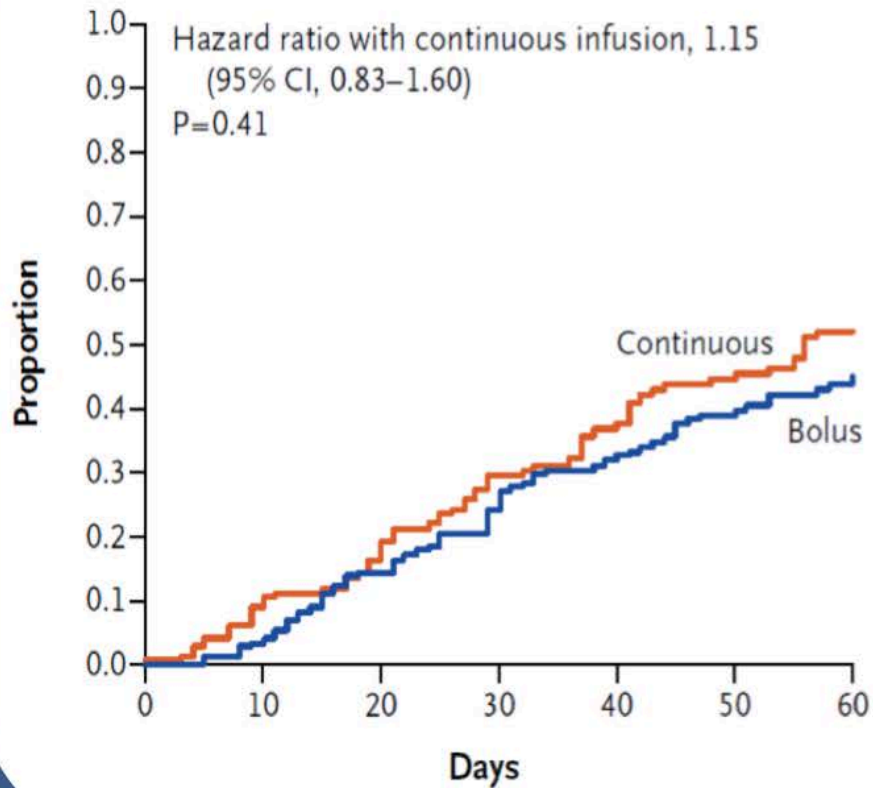


Effect of IV drugs in-hospital mortality: propensity score analysis

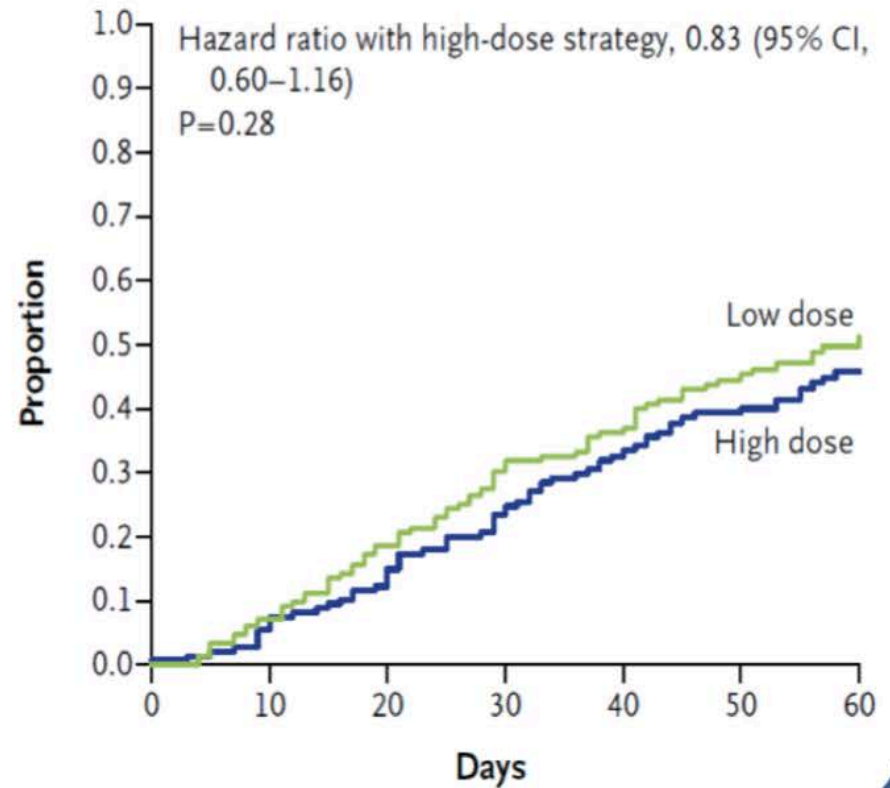


The DOSE Trial

Bolus vs. Continuous Infusion



Low-Dose vs. High-Dose Strategy



Ultrafiltration in Decompensated Heart Failure with Cardiorenal Syndrome

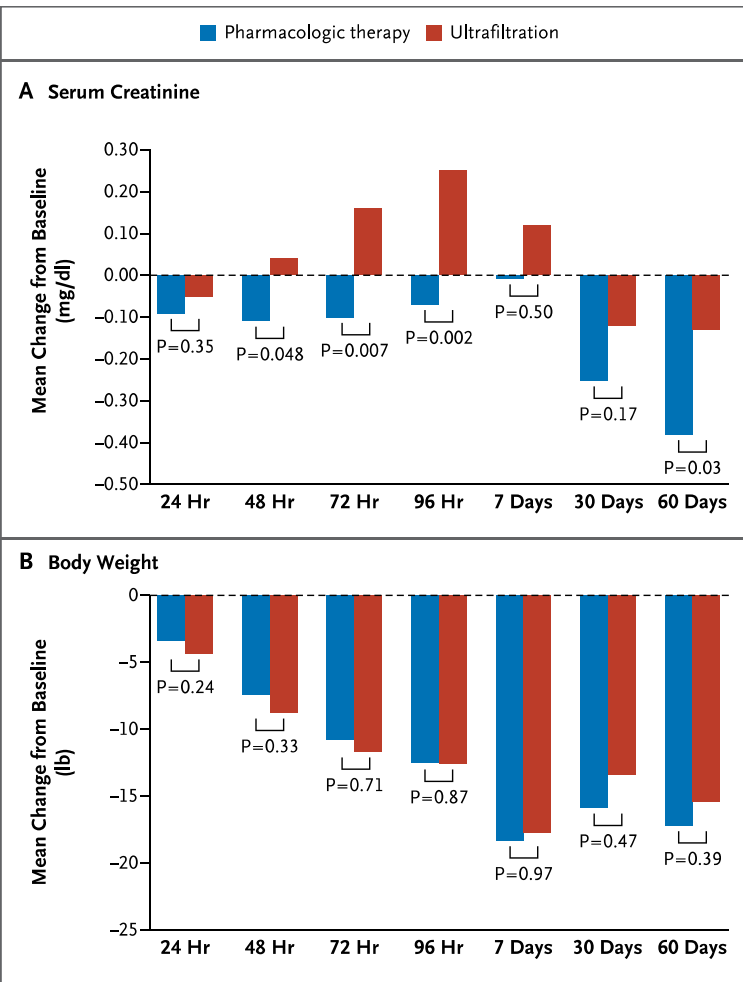


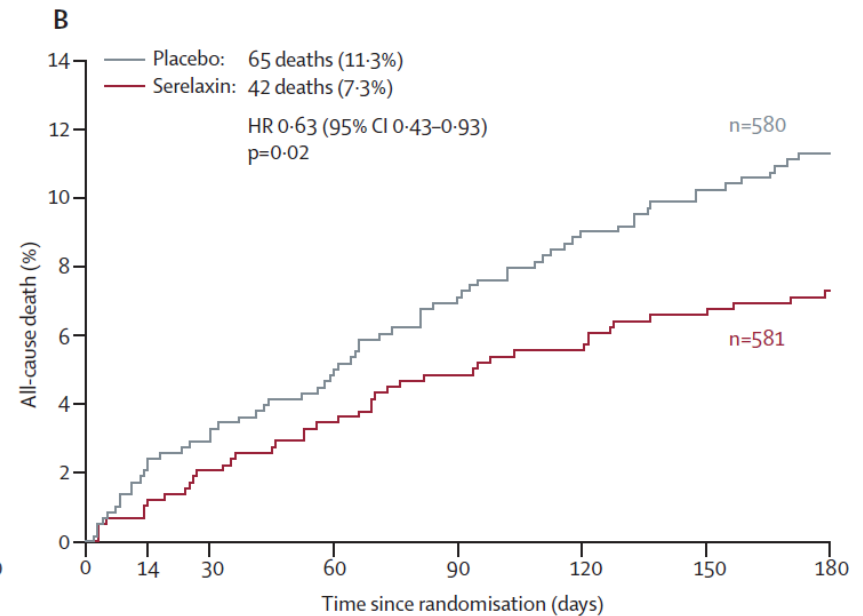
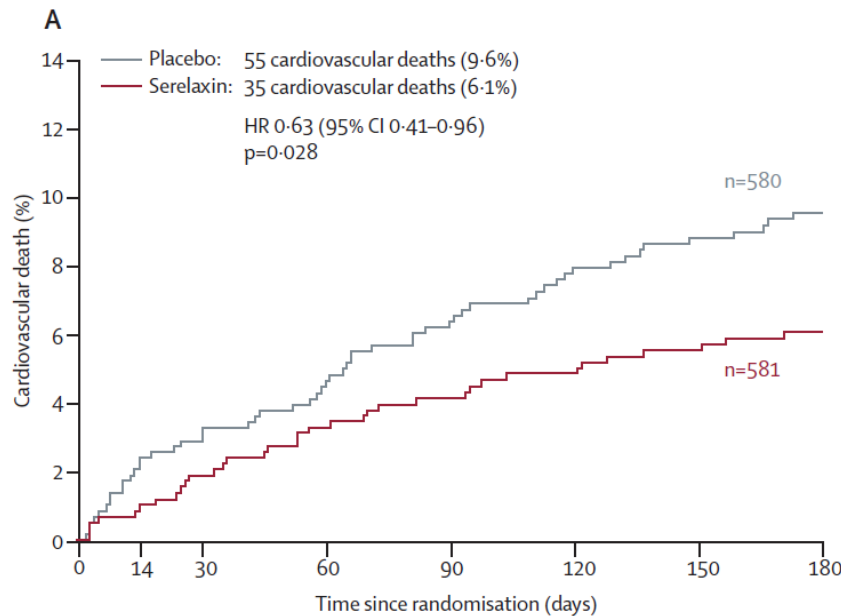
Table 2. Secondary End Points.*

End Point	Pharmacologic Therapy (N=94)	Ultrafiltration (N=94)	P Value
Significant body weight loss and renal improvement — no. (%)†			
At 96 hr	20 (21)	16 (17)	0.62
At 7 days	20 (21)	15 (16)	0.52
Worsening condition or crossover during the first 7 days — no./total no. (%)‡	17/94 (18)	21/93 (23)	0.45
Clinical decongestion at 96 hr — no./total no. (%)§	7/80 (9)	8/82 (10)	0.83
Change in sodium from baseline to 96 hr — mmol/liter	0.0±3.6	-2.3±3.5	<0.001
Change in hemoglobin from baseline to 96 hr — g/dl	0.38±0.76	-0.01±0.92	0.002
Change in NT-proBNP from baseline to 96 hr — pg/ml	-979±2902	-814±9239	0.30
Change in cystatin C from baseline to 96 hr — mg/liter	0.14±0.52	0.22±0.52	0.37
Change in blood urea nitrogen from baseline to 96 hr — mg/dl	5.68±18.29	12.54±24.81	0.02
Change in glomerular filtration rate from baseline to 96 hr — ml/min/1.73 m ²	1.67±10.94	0.93±14.60	0.66
Change in score on global well-being scale from baseline to 96 hr¶	22.8±25.8	13.7±27.9	0.33
Change in score on dyspnea assessment scale from baseline to 96 hr¶	20.5±27.8	16.5±29.2	0.57
Total net fluid loss from randomization to 96 hr — ml	7082±4183	7443±4329	0.59
Change in furosemide-equivalent dose from preadmission to discharge — mg/day	2.2±166.5	-20.6±116.0	0.18
Death — no. (%)	13 (14)	16 (17)	0.55
Hospitalization — no./total no. (%)			
For heart failure	24/93 (26)	23/90 (26)	0.97
For any cause	37/93 (40)	46/90 (51)	0.12
Unscheduled emergency department or clinic visit — no./total no. (%)	13/93 (14)	19/90 (21)	0.21

Serelaxin, recombinant human relaxin-2, for treatment of acute heart failure (RELAX-AHF): a randomised, placebo-controlled trial

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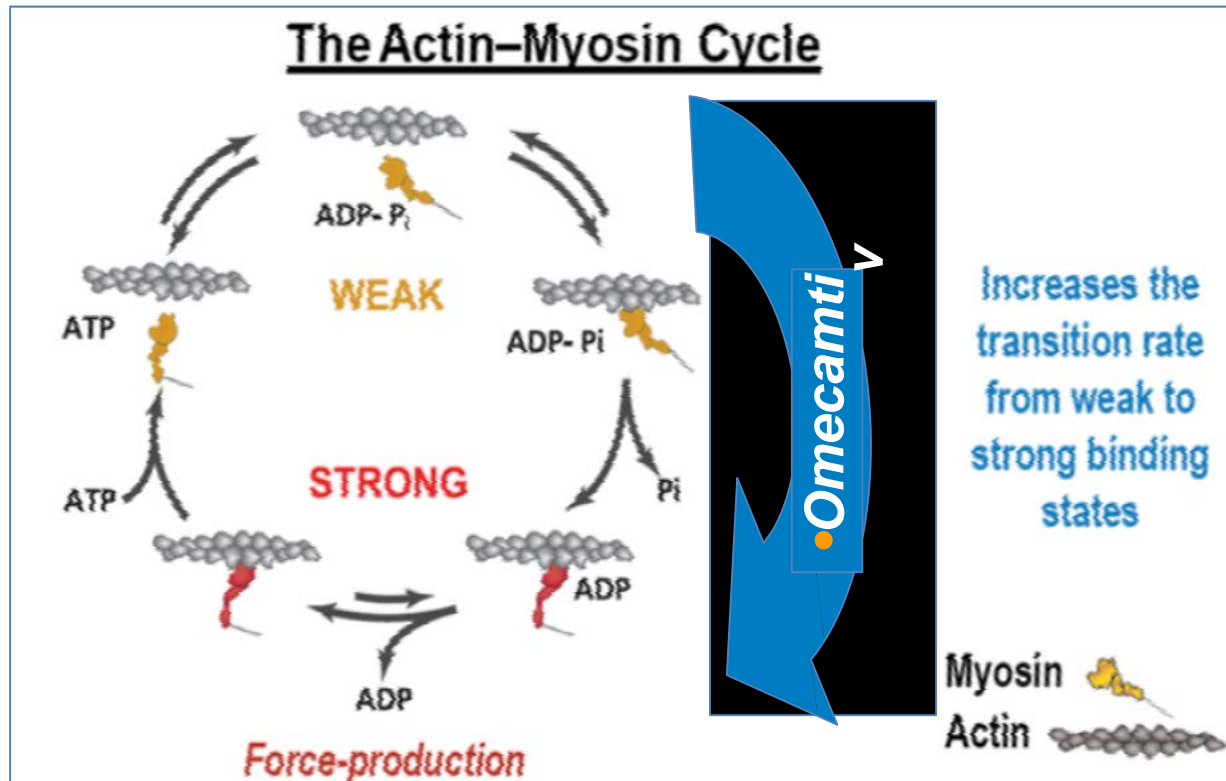
Number at risk

Placebo	580	567	559	547	535	523	514	444	580	567	559	547	535	523	514	444
Serelaxin	581	573	563	555	546	542	536	463	581	573	563	555	546	542	536	463

Cardiac myosin activators: up and coming

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Inotropic agents under investigation

Drug	Mechanism
Na ⁺ /K ⁺ -ATPase inhibitors Istaroxime	Sarcolemma Na ⁺ -K ⁺ pump inhibition: cytosolic calcium increase SERCA2a stimulation
Myosin activators omecamtiv mecarbil	Myosin stimulation: ↑ ejection phase duration, no change in ejection rate or calcium
RyR stabilizers JTV-519, S107	RyR2/calstabin 2 interaction, ↓SR calcium leakage
SERCA2a activators SERCA2a adeno- associated viral vector,...	↑ uptake of cytosolic calcium into the SR during diastole: better relaxation and increased calcium release during systole
Metabolic modulators Perhexiline, trimetazidine, ranolazine, GL-P1	Carnitine palmitoyl transferase 1 inhibition: myocardial substrate shift from FFAs to glucose; other mechanisms
Urocortin 2	Myocardial and vascular CRF2 receptors



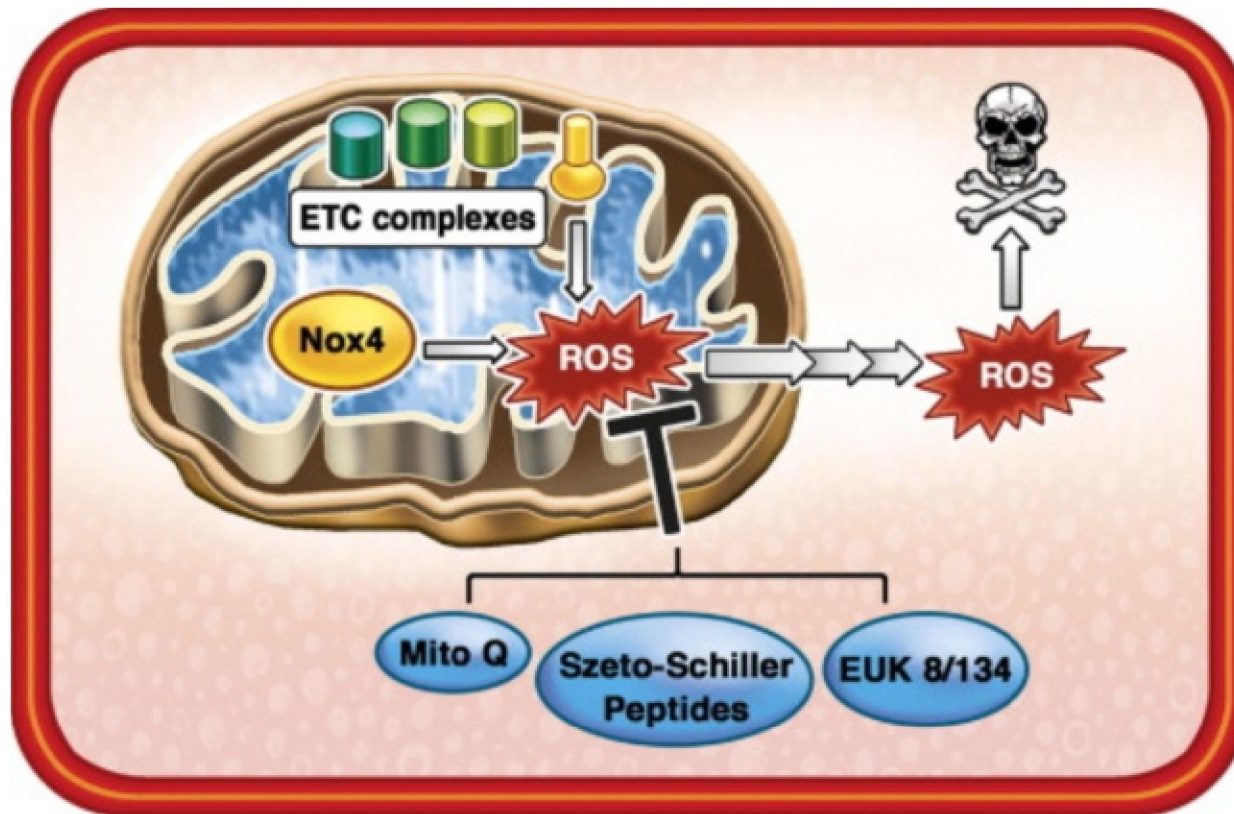
Ongoing randomized clinical trials in acute HF

Drug	Trial name	No of patients	Endpoint
TReVena ¹²⁰⁰²⁷	BLAST-AHF	500	Composite
Ularitide (24 h infusion)	TRUE-AHF	2,116	Hierarchical clinical composite
Serelaxin (48 h infusion)	RELAX-AHF-2	6,375	Mortality to Day 180

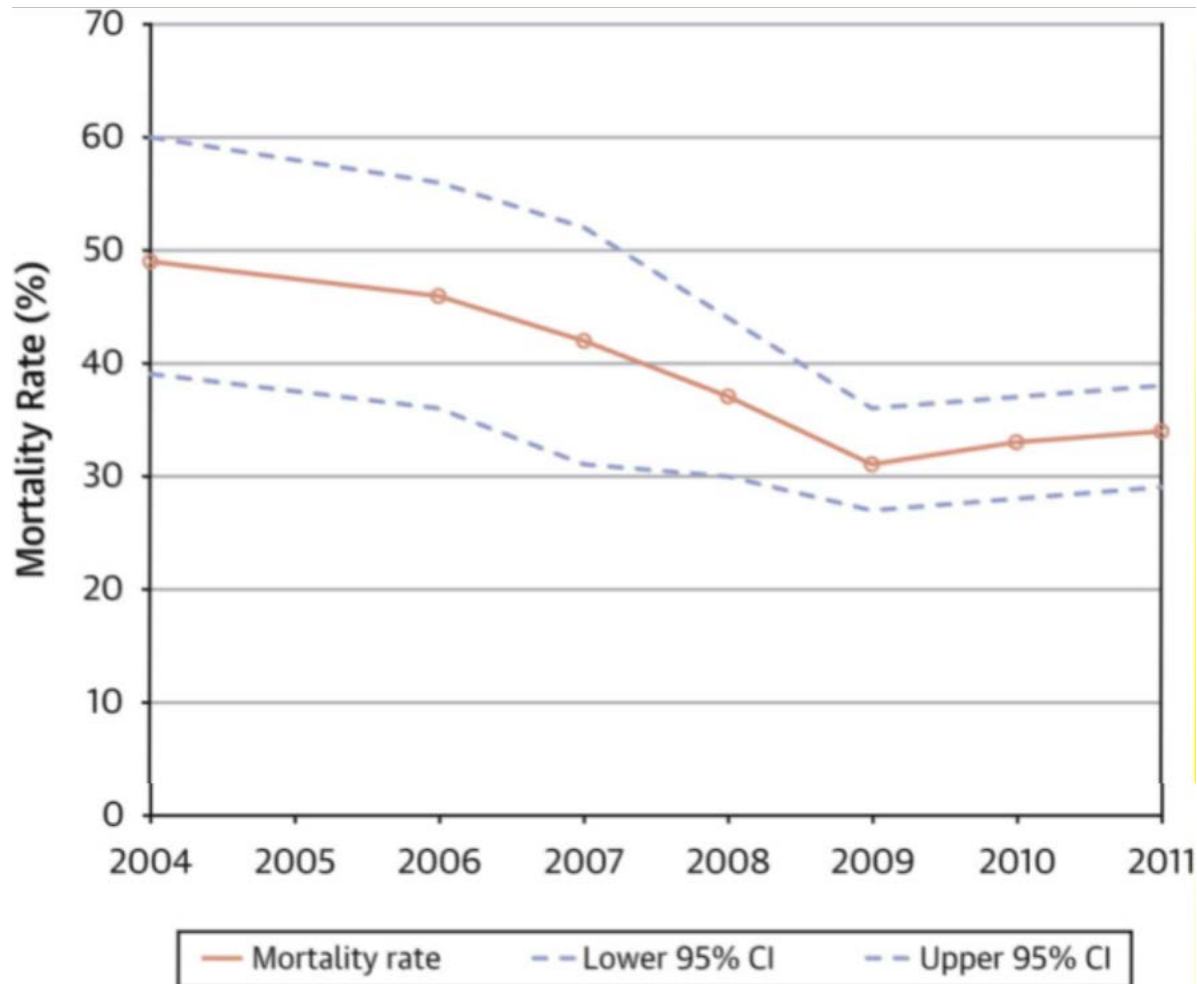
STATE-OF-THE-ART PAPER

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Mortality Rate Associated With Short-Term Mechanical Circulatory Support (2004 to 2011)



Advances in Mechanical Circulatory Support

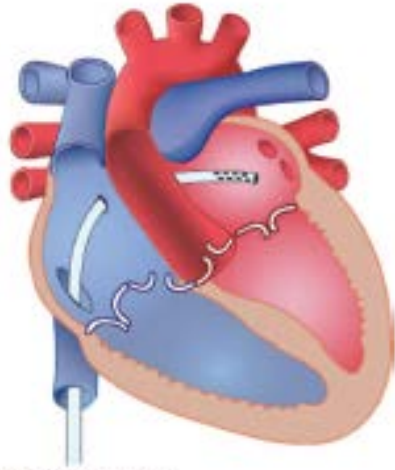
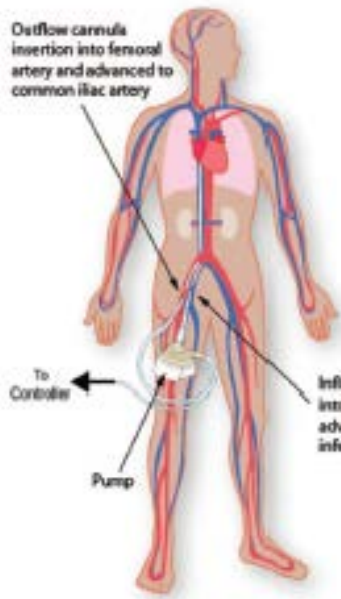
Percutaneous Circulatory Support in Cardiogenic Shock Interventional Bridge to Recovery

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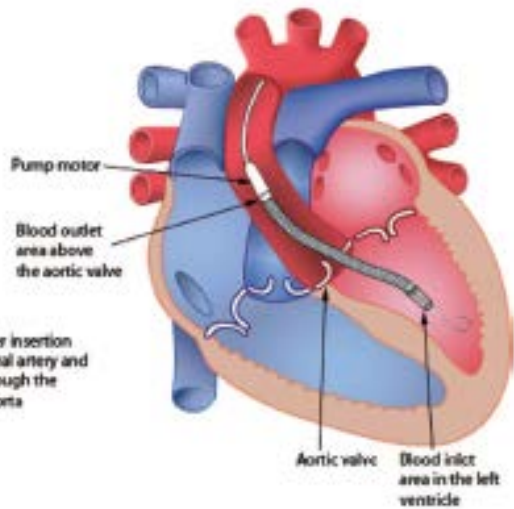
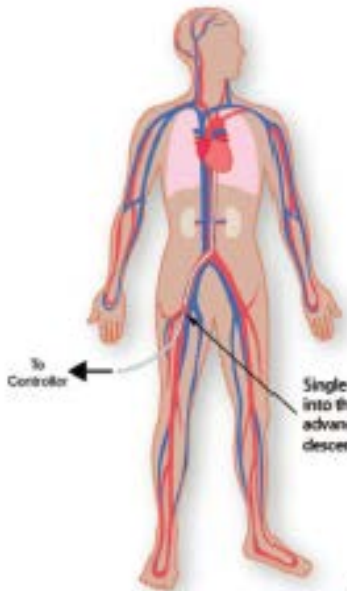
Table 2. Comparison of Currently Available Percutaneous Ventricular Assist Devices

	IABP	TandemHeart	Impella Recover System	ECMO
Pump mechanism	Pneumatic	Centrifugal	Axial	Centrifugal
Insertion	Retrograde 7–9F balloon catheter into the descending aorta via the femoral artery	21F inflow cannula into the left atrium via the femoral vein and transseptal puncture and 15/17F outflow cannula into the femoral artery	12F catheter (13F sheath) retrograde across the aortic valve via the femoral artery	18–31F inflow cannula into the right atrium via the femoral vein and 15–22F outflow cannula into the descending aorta via the femoral artery
Difficulty of insertion	+	++++	+++	++
Degree of circulatory support (with ideal SVR)	+ (Increased CO by 0.5 L/min)	+++ (Increased CO by 3.5–4.5 L/min)	++ (Increased CO by 2.5 L/min)	++++ (Increased CO to ≥ 4.5 L/min)
Implantation time, min	10	25–65	11–25	10–15
Limb ischemia risk	+	+++	++	+++
Hemolysis	0	++	++++	+++
Bleeding risk	+	+++	++	++++
510k Approval duration, h		6	6	
Evidence of efficacy	Increased CO and coronary and peripheral perfusion; decreased afterload	Increased CO, MAP, MvO_2 , and urine output; decreased lactic acid, creatinine, and PCWP	Increased CO and MAP; decreased lactic acid and PCWP	Increased CO, MAP, and oxygenation

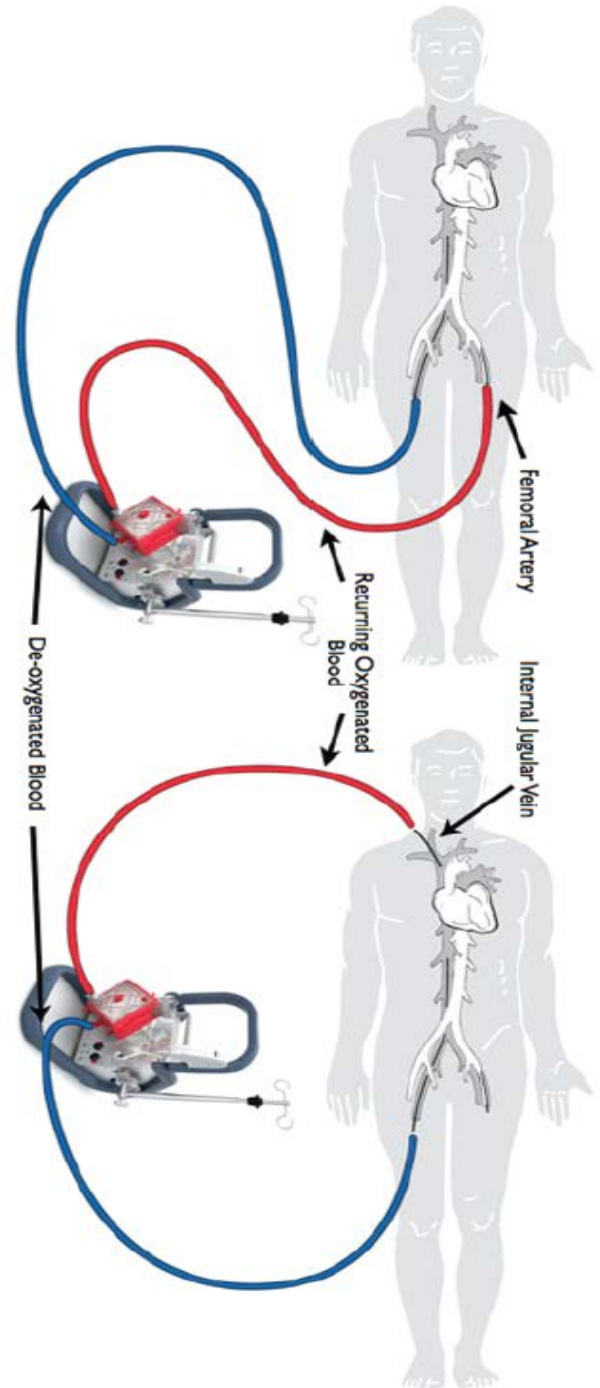
SVR indicates systemic vascular resistance; CO, cardiac output; MAP, mean arterial pressure; MvO_2 , mixed venous oxygen saturation; and PCWP, pulmonary capillary wedge pressure.



TandemHeart PVAD



Impella Recover 2.5 PVAD

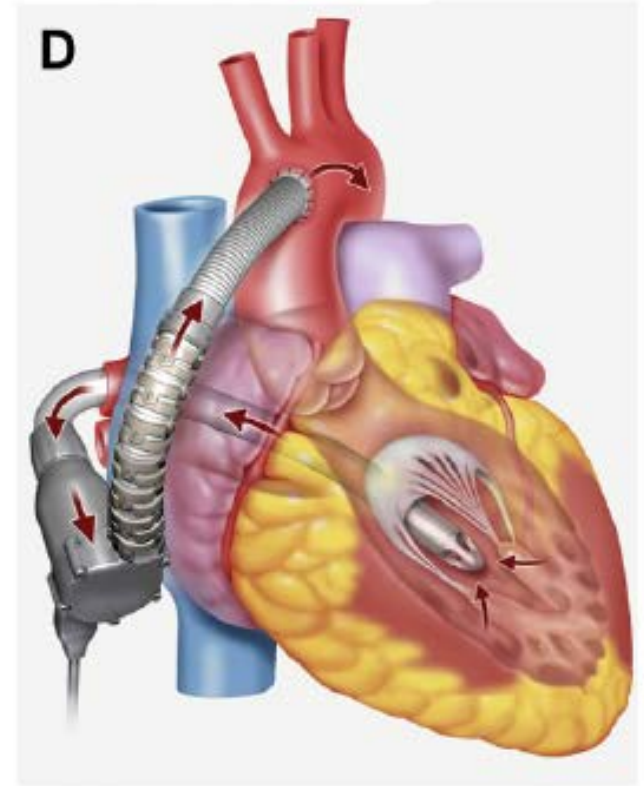
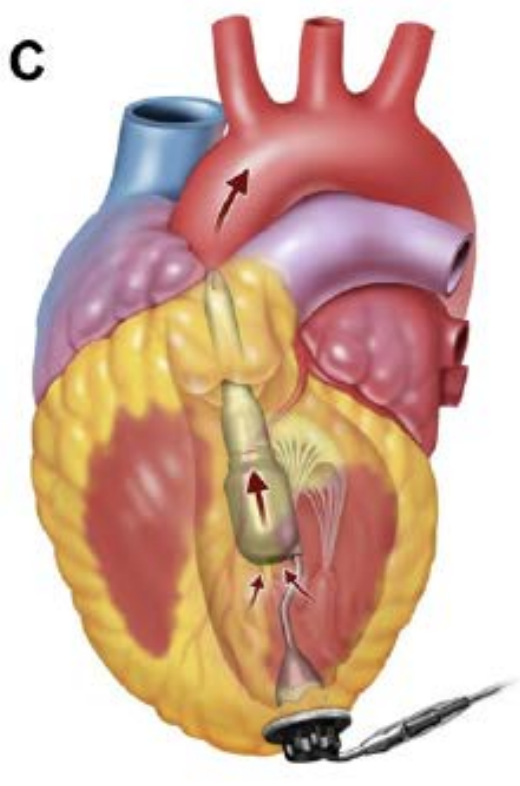
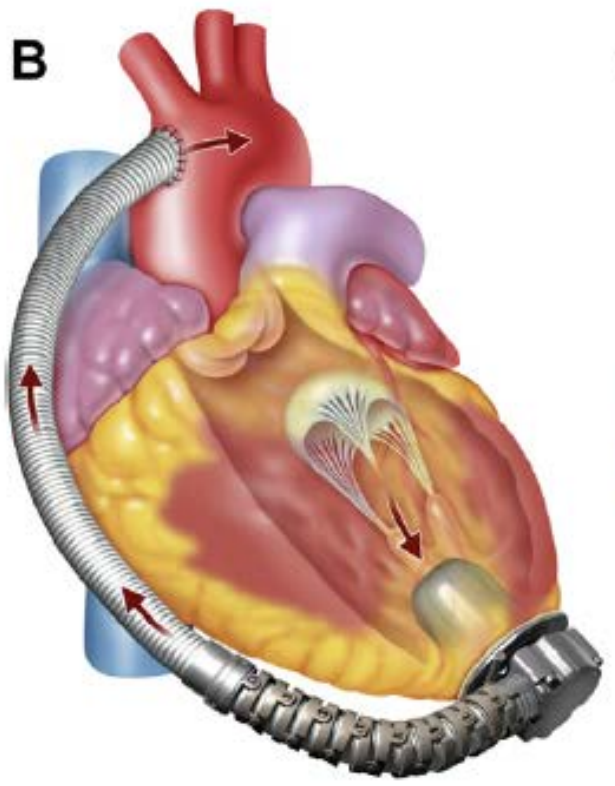
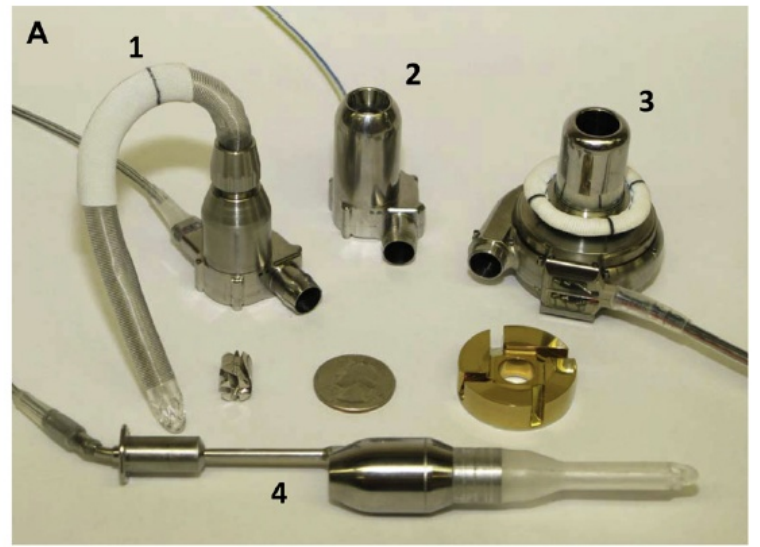


VA-ECMO

VV-ECMO

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Stratificazione dei pazienti

gli stadi INTERMACS

Table 3. INTERMACS Patient Profiles and Timing of Mechanical Circulatory Support*

Patient Profile [†]	Patient Characteristics	Time Frame Until Intervention
1	Critical cardiogenic shock despite escalating support	Within a few hours
2	Progressive decline with inotrope dependence	Within a few days
3	Clinically stable with mild to moderate inotrope dependence	Elective implantation over the next few weeks
4	Recurrent, not refractory, advanced heart failure that can be stabilized with intervention	Elective implantation over weeks to months
5	Exertion intolerant but is comfortable at rest and able to perform activities of daily living with slight difficulty	Variable; depends on nutrition, organ function, and activity
6	Exertion limited; is able to perform mild activity, but fatigue results within a few minutes of any meaningful physical exertion	Variable, depends on nutrition, organ function, and activity
7	Advanced NYHA functional class III	At this time, mechanical circulatory support is not indicated

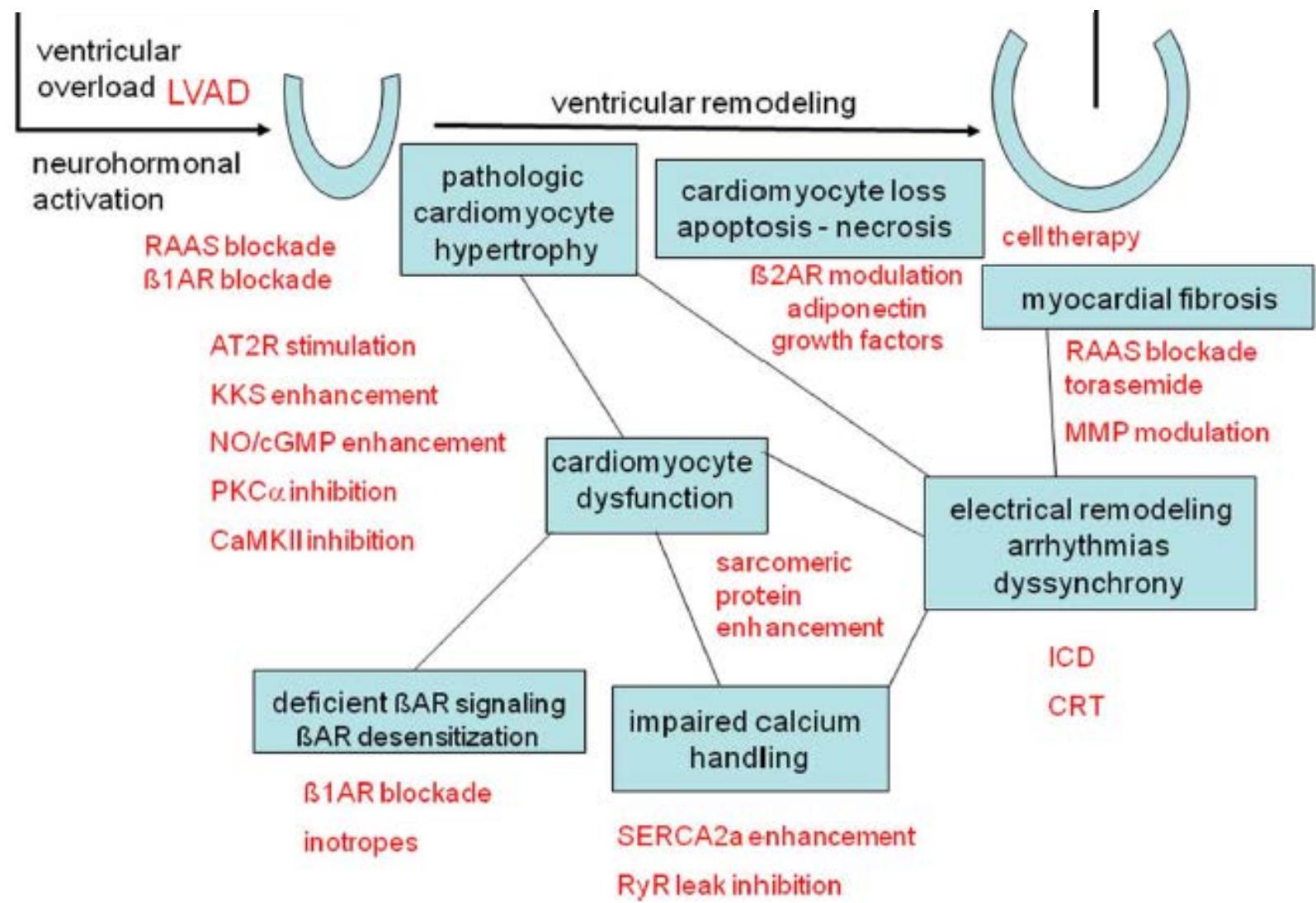
NYHA indicates New York Heart Association.

*Adapted from Stevenson et al.¹⁵

[†]Arrhythmia modifier (A), recurrent ventricular tachyarrhythmias (may be added to any INTERMACS level except 7).

Molecular targets of current and prospective heart failure therapies

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Design of a Phase 2b Trial of Intracoronary Administration of AAV1/SERCA2a in Patients With Advanced Heart Failure

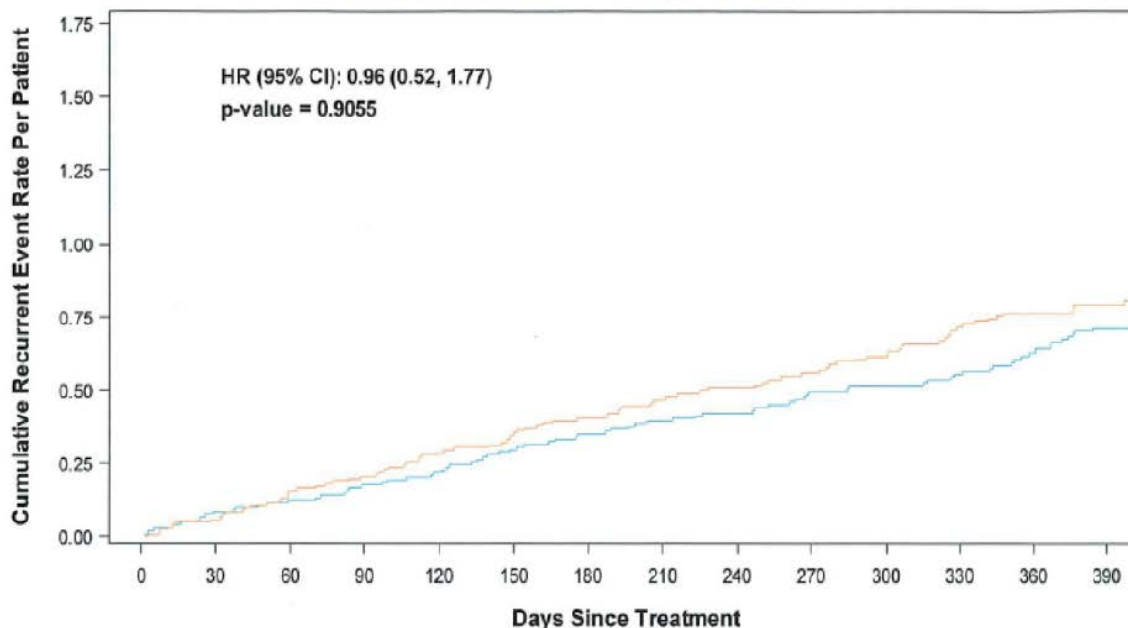
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PRIMARY ENDPOINT

Cumulative Recurrent Event Rate Adjusted for Terminal Events by Time Since Treatment*
 Modified Intent-to-Treat Population, Month 12



	At Risk (n)													
	0	30	60	90	120	150	180	210	240	270	300	330	360	390
Placebo (N = 122)	122	122	122	122	120	120	119	115	114	112	108	106	103	90
MYDICAR (N = 121)	121	121	119	117	115	113	113	113	109	105	104	104	102	88

* Recurrent events = HF hospitalizations and ambulatory WHF, terminal events defined as death, transplant, or MCSd implantation.

Potential Reasons for the Neutral Results of CUPID 2

- Deficiency in the Target, SERCA2a
- Virus concentration too low
- Myocardial uptake insufficient
- Delivery method inadequate

EHRA Expert Consensus Statement on the management of cardiovascular implantable electronic devices in patients nearing end of life or requesting withdrawal of therapy

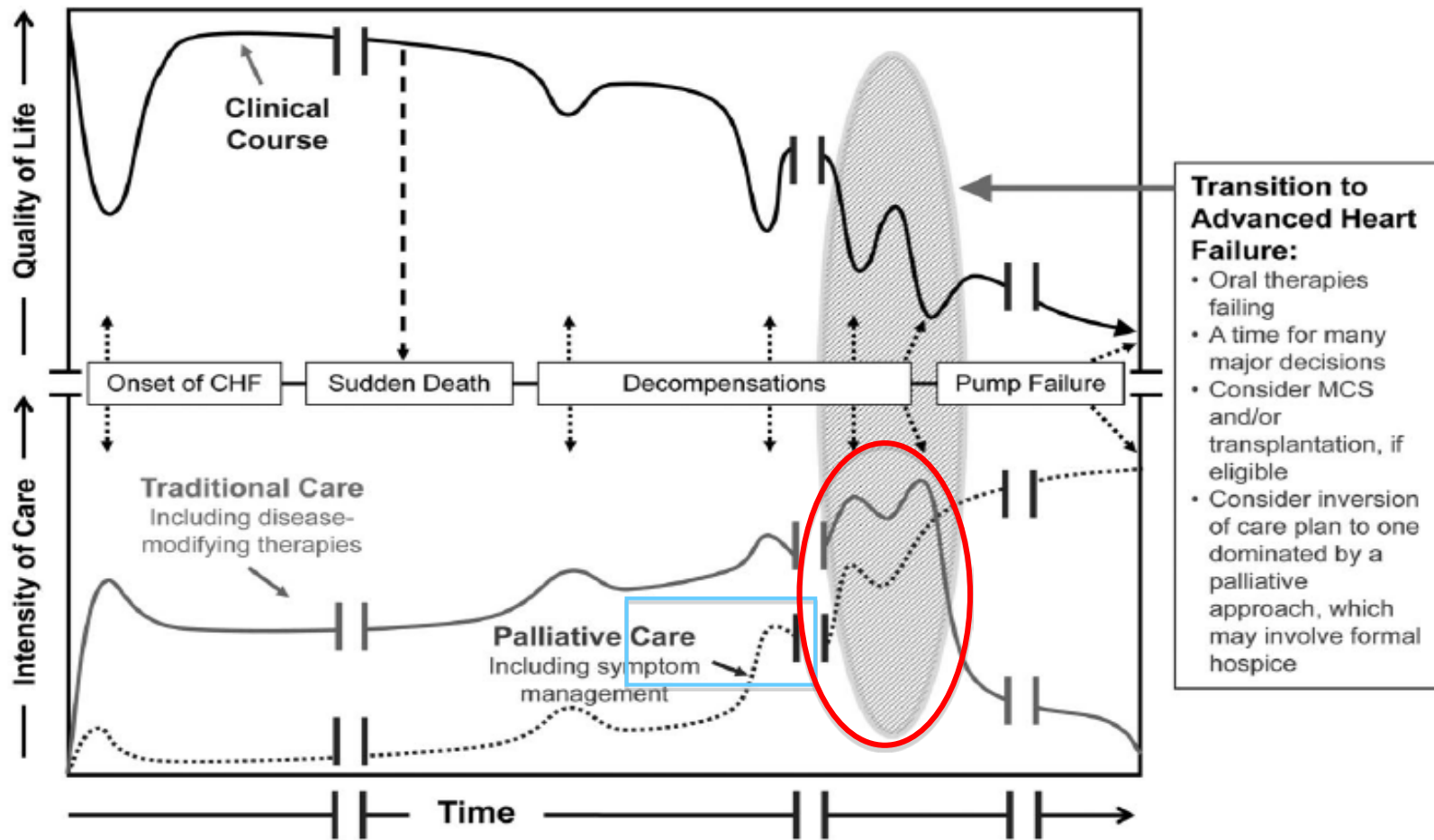
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