



# Hot Topics in Cardiology 2015: Cardio-oncology and Cardio-toxicity

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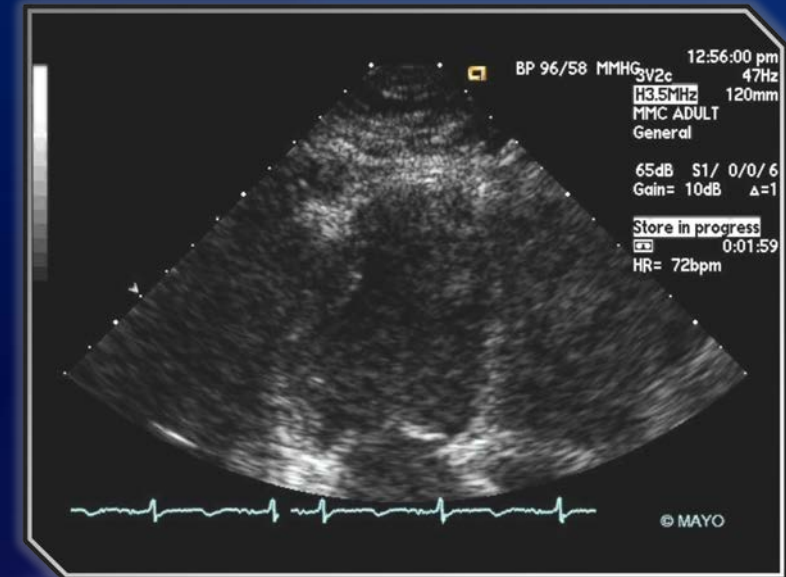
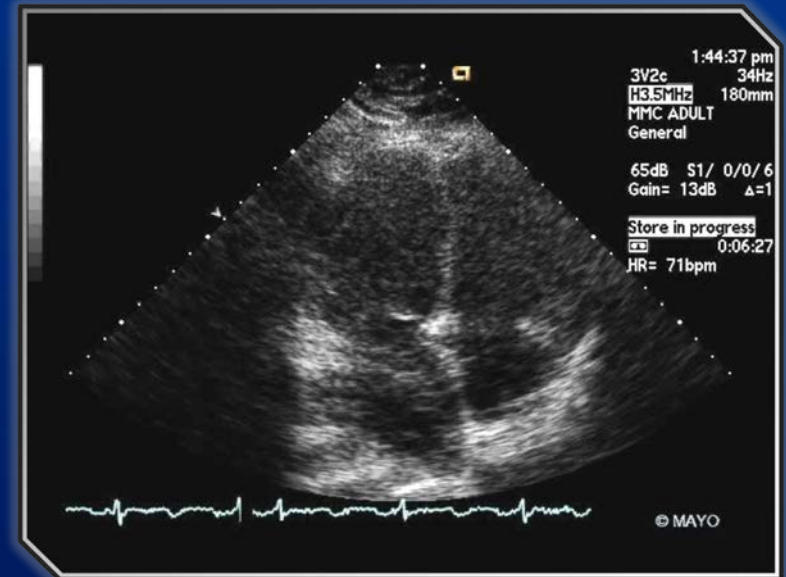
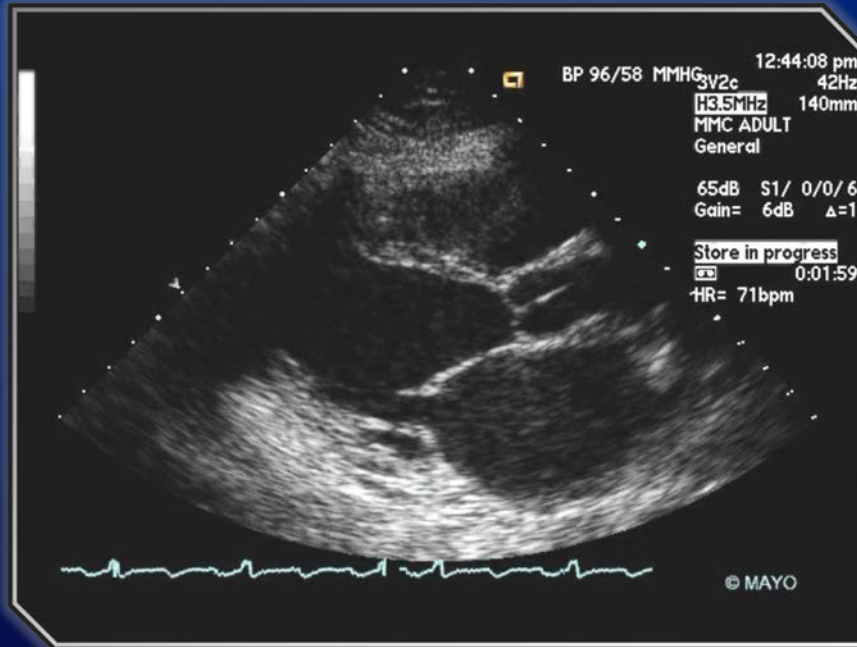
# Learning Objectives:

- Review the need for and practice of the emerging field of cardio-oncology
- Know the factors that increase the risk of cardiovascular complications in cancer patients
- Understand the difference between type I and type II cardiotoxicity
- Know how to monitor for and manage chemotherapy-induced cardiomyopathy

# Case 1: Ms. M - 25 yo female

- Age 13 months: Acute myelomonocytic
- Chemotherapy X 2 yrs: etoposide, cytosine, adriamycin
- Age 3: Radiation therapy to cranium
- Complete remission since then
- Grade school: Decreasing exercise tolerance and DOE
- Age 20: “asthma”
- Age 25: CHF

# Ms M. - 25 yo female

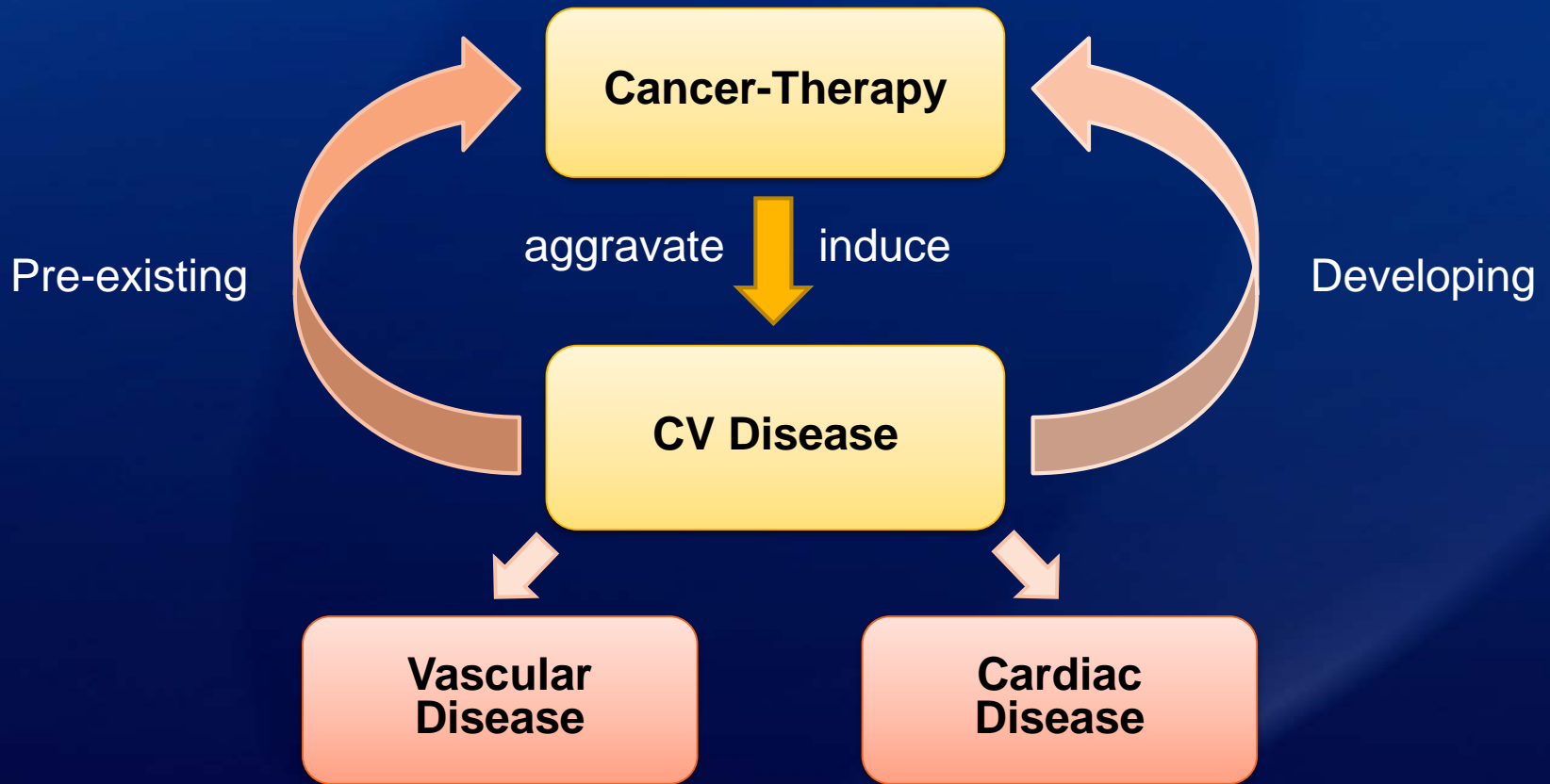


## Biventricular heart failure

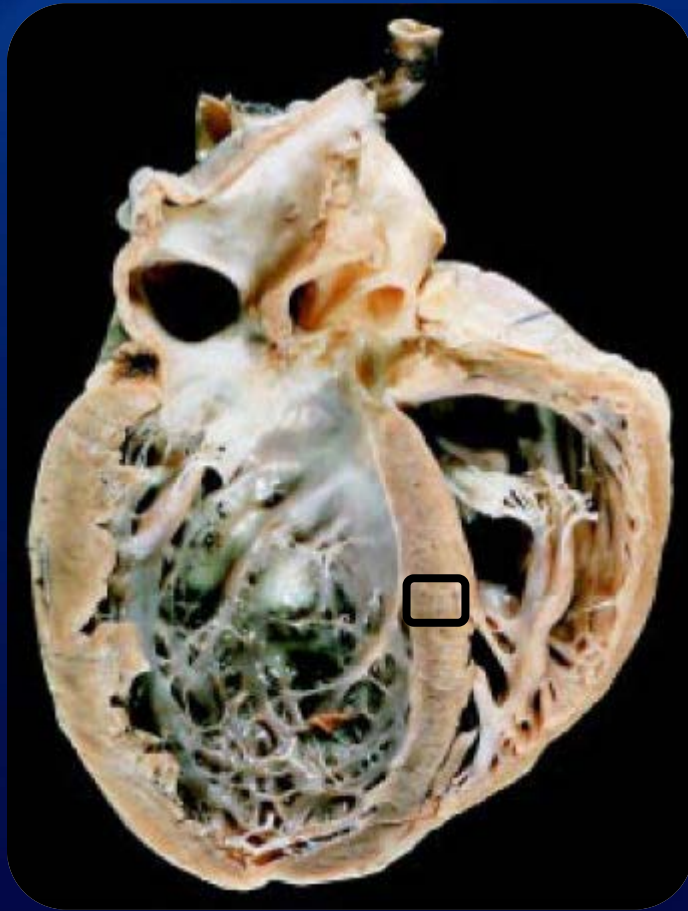
## Ms M. – childhood cancer “survivor”

- Age 27: ICD implantation
- Inappropriate shocks due to recurrent atrial fibrillation
- Age 34: A fib ablation
- Recurrent heart failure hospitalizations
- Age 35: Upgrade to CRT-D
- Cardiogenic shock and LVAD implantation
- Heart transplantation w/early graft failure
- ECMO, Lower extremity compartment syndrome
- Comfort care; death at age 36

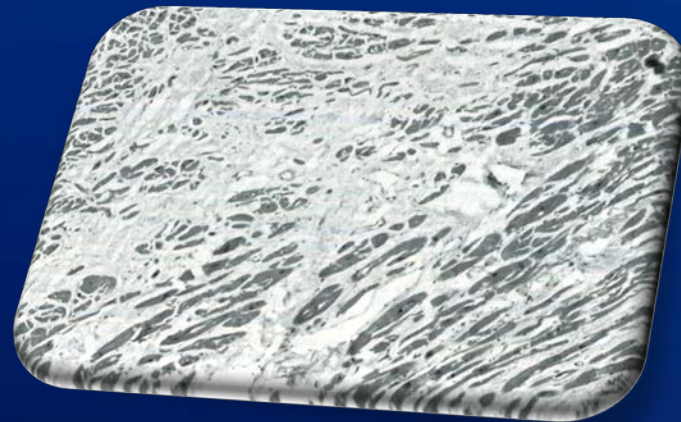
# Chemotherapy and Cardiotoxicity



# Anthracycline-Induced Cardiotoxicity Pathology



Dilated Cardiomyopathy



Myocyte loss with replacement fibrosis

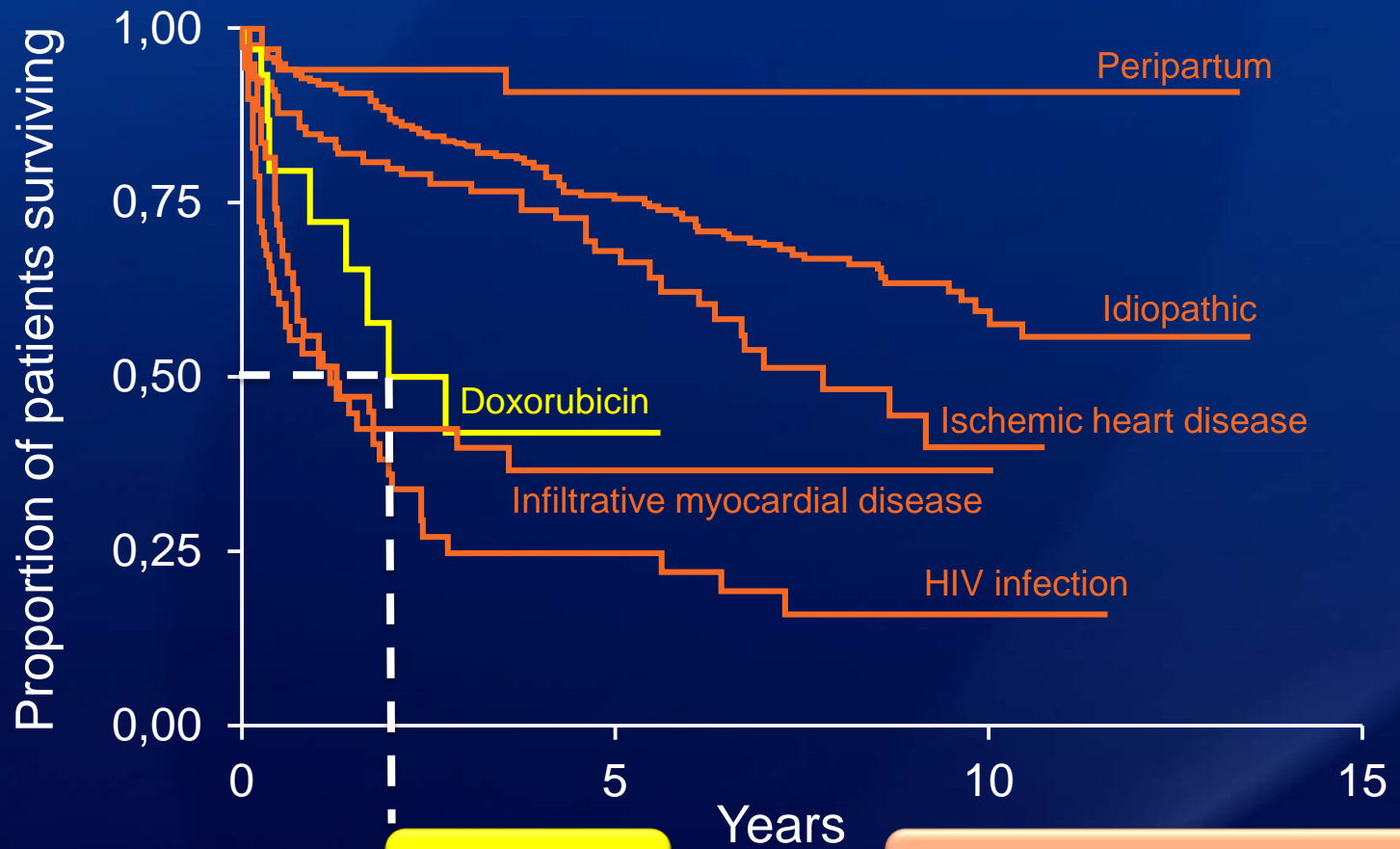


Hypertrophy of remaining myocytes

Steinherz et al: Med Ped Oncol 24:352, 1995  
Dr. Glacy Sabra Viera in Arq. Bras. Cardiol. 75, 2000

# Prognosis

## Anthracycline-Induced HF

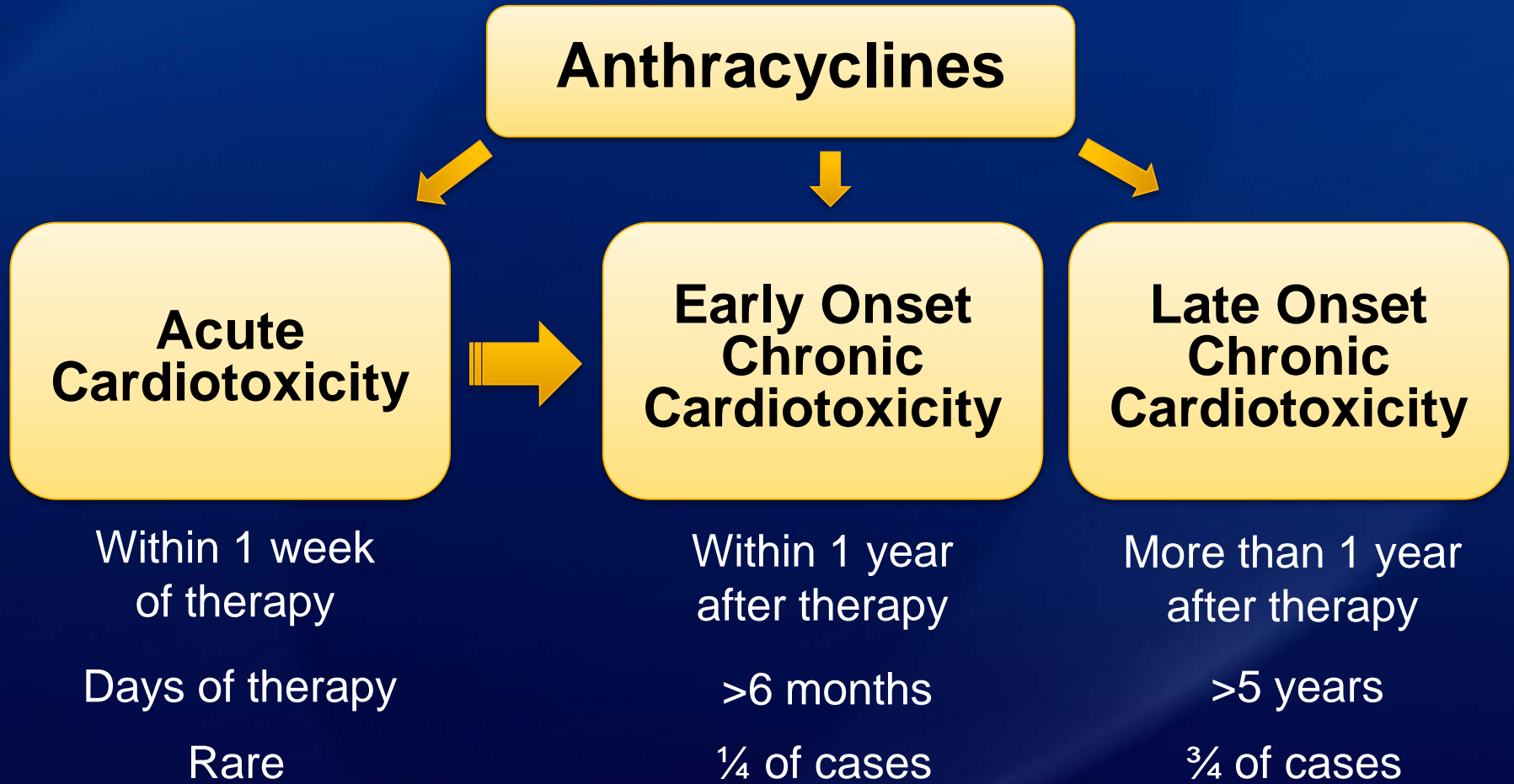


Median survival  
2 – 2.5 years

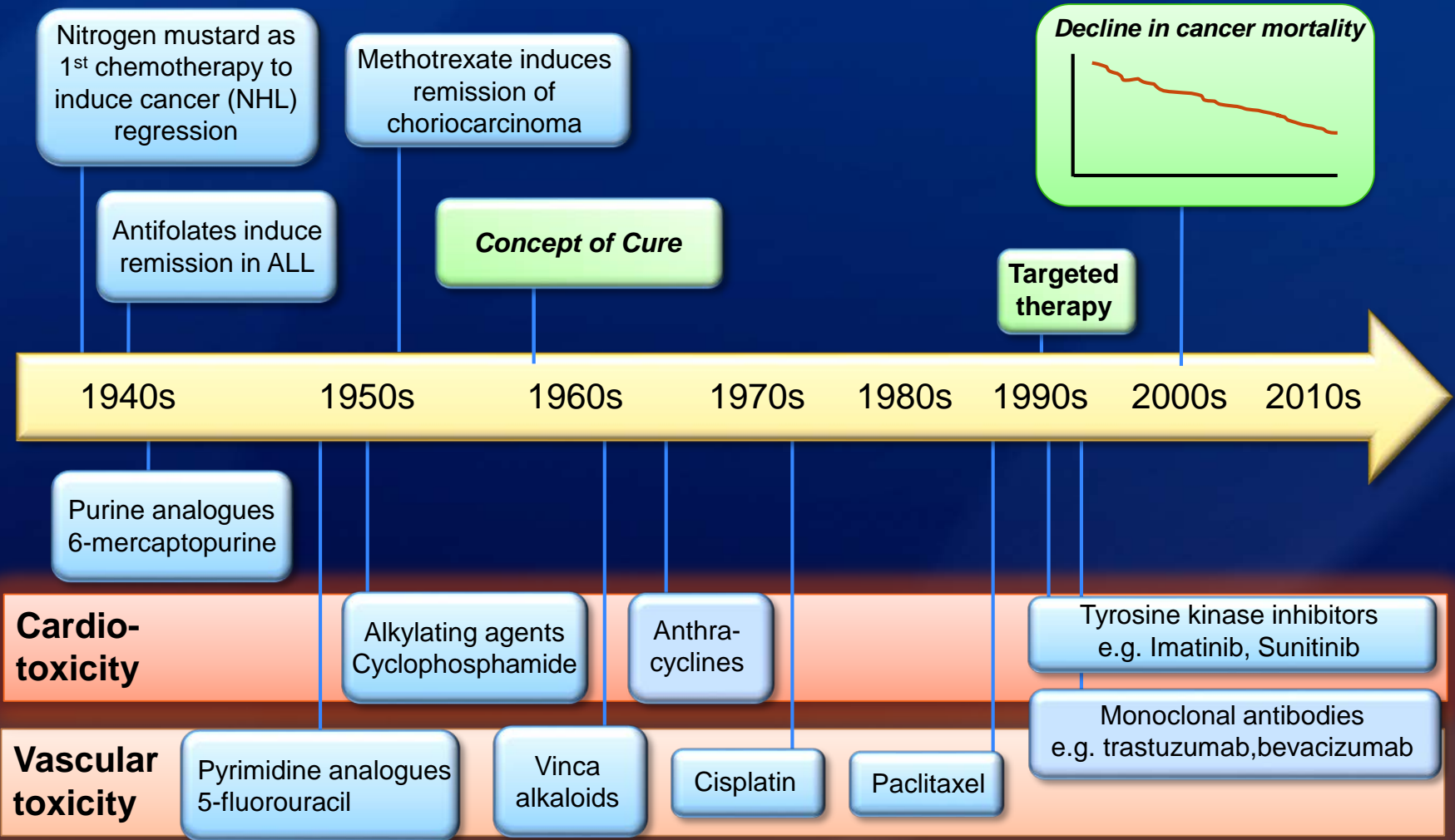
HER2+ metastatic breast cancer  
Median survival: 3.3 – 4.7 years



# Anthracycline-Induced Cardiotoxicity (CHF)

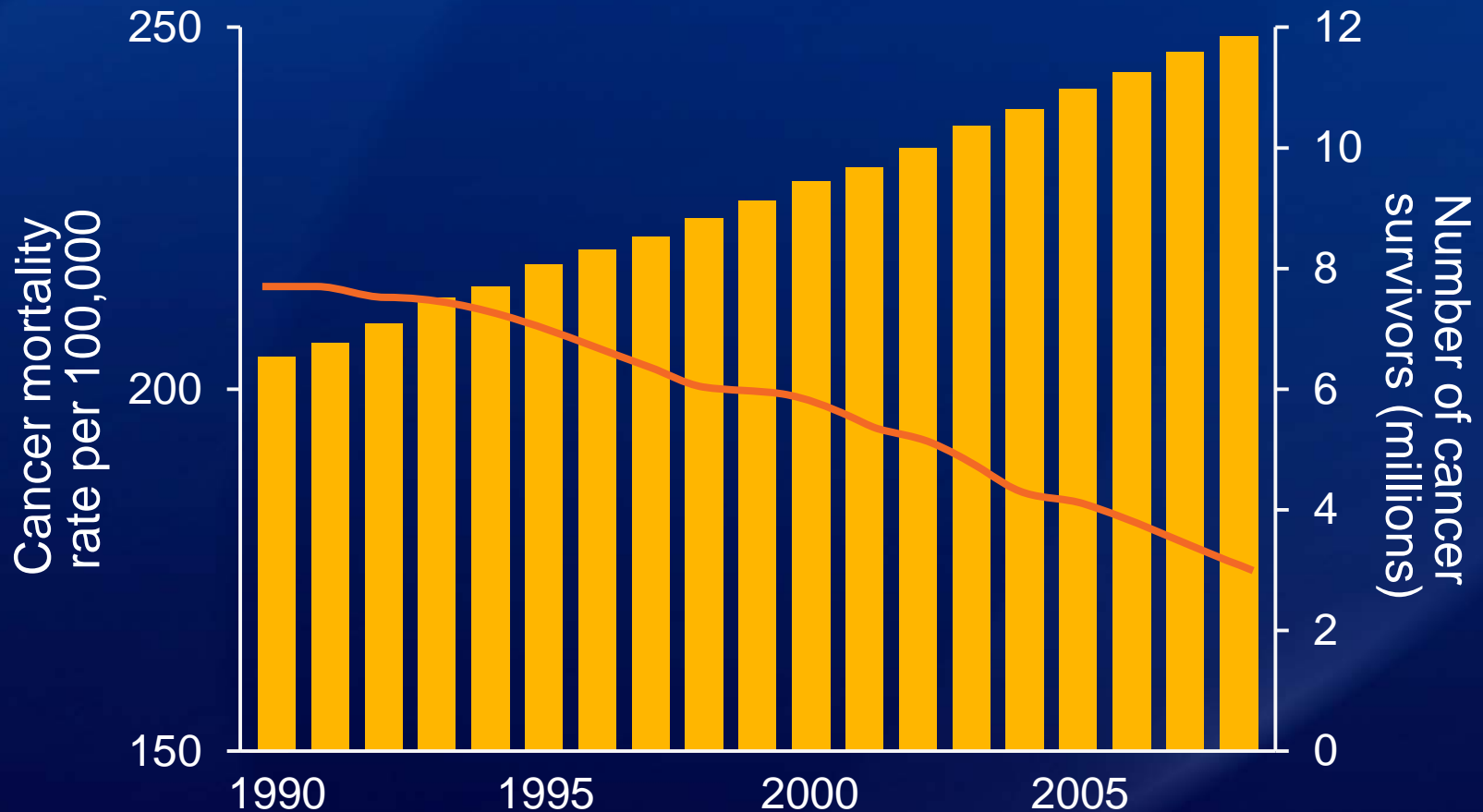


# Chemotherapy and Cardiotoxicity



# Cancer Statistics USA – 1990-2008

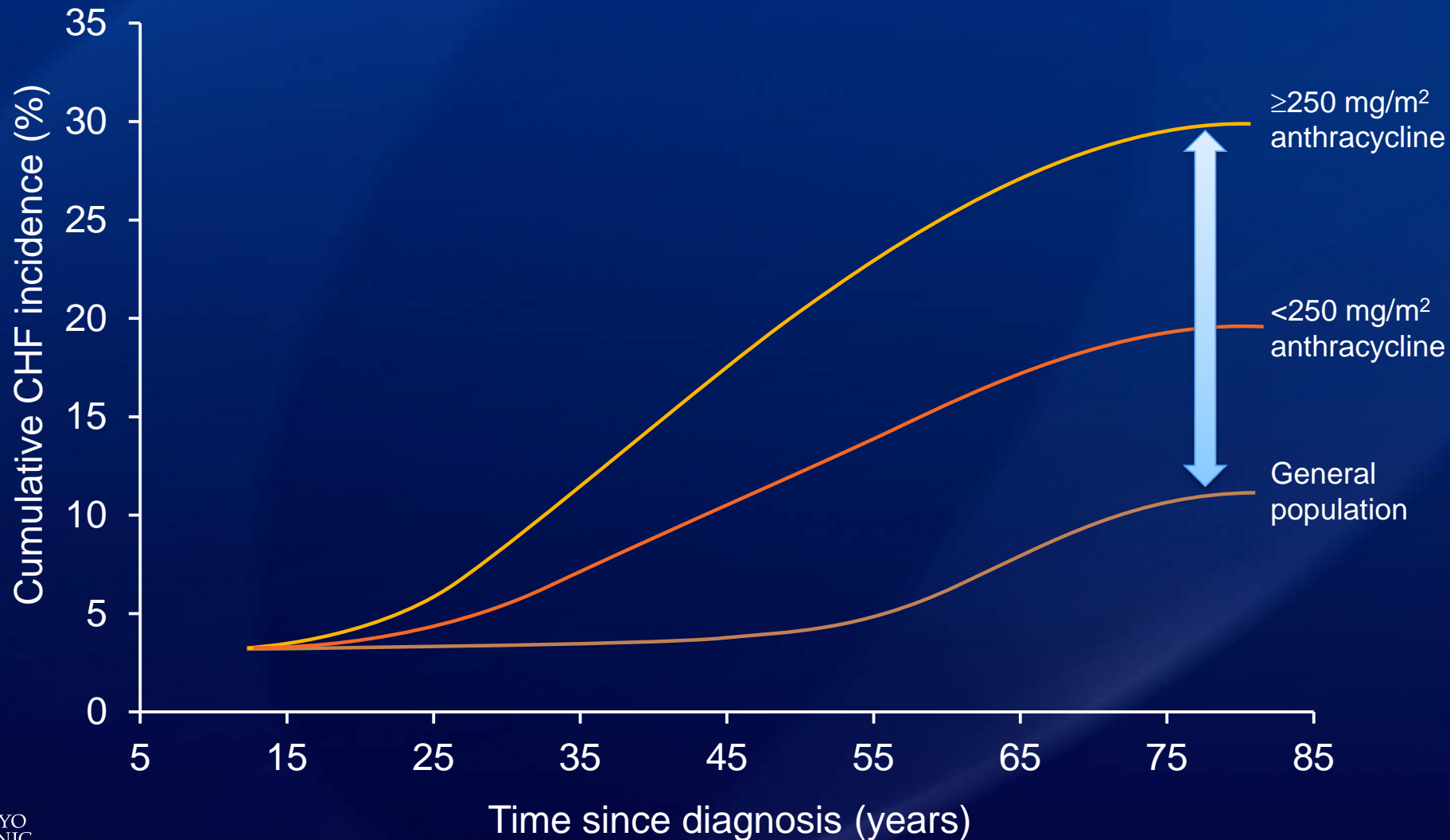
## Survivors Increasing, Mortality Decreasing



Data from National Cancer Institute on estimated number of cancer survivors and age-adjusted cancer deaths/100,000 people

# Childhood Cancer Survivors

## Congestive Heart Failure – Stage C HF



Yeh JM et al: Ann Intern Med; 160:661, 2014

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# Lost in Transition After Cancer

The New York Times

By SULEIKA JAOUAD MARCH 16, 2015 5:01 PM 191 Comments



Suleika Jaouad, who was 22 when she learned she had leukemia, has been told she is in remission, but said she felt far from healthy at age 26. Ashley Woo

## Left Ventricular Dysfunction in Patients Receiving Cardiotoxic Cancer Therapies

Are Clinicians Responding Optimally?

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### Objectives

The purpose of this study was to examine treatment practices for cancer therapy-associated decreased left ventricular ejection fraction (LVEF) detected on echocardiography and whether management was consistent with

**Conclusions:** Many cancer survivors are not receiving treatment consistent with heart failure guidelines. There is substantial opportunity for collaboration between oncologists and cardiologists to improve the care of oncology patients receiving cardiotoxic therapy.

50%, with 24% having a baseline <50%. Forty percent had decreased LVEF (<50%) after anthracycline and/or trastuzumab treatment. Of these patients, 40% received angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor or angiotensin receptor blocker therapy, 51% beta-blocker therapy, and 54% cardiology consultation. Of patients with asymptomatic decreased LVEF, 31% received angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor or angiotensin receptor blocker therapy, 35% beta-blocker therapy, and 42% cardiology consultation. Of those with symptomatic decreased LVEF, 67% received angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor or angiotensin receptor blocker therapy, 100% beta-blocker therapy, and 89% cardiology consultation.

### Conclusions

Many cancer survivors are not receiving treatment consistent with heart failure guidelines. There is substantial opportunity for collaboration between oncologists and cardiologists to improve the care of oncology patients receiving cardiotoxic therapy. (J Am Coll Cardiol 2010;56:1644-50) © 2010 by the American College of Cardiology Foundation

# The call for “Cardio-Oncology”

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REVIEW

## Cardiotoxicity of Anticancer Drugs: The Need for Cardio-Oncology and Cardio-Oncological Prevention

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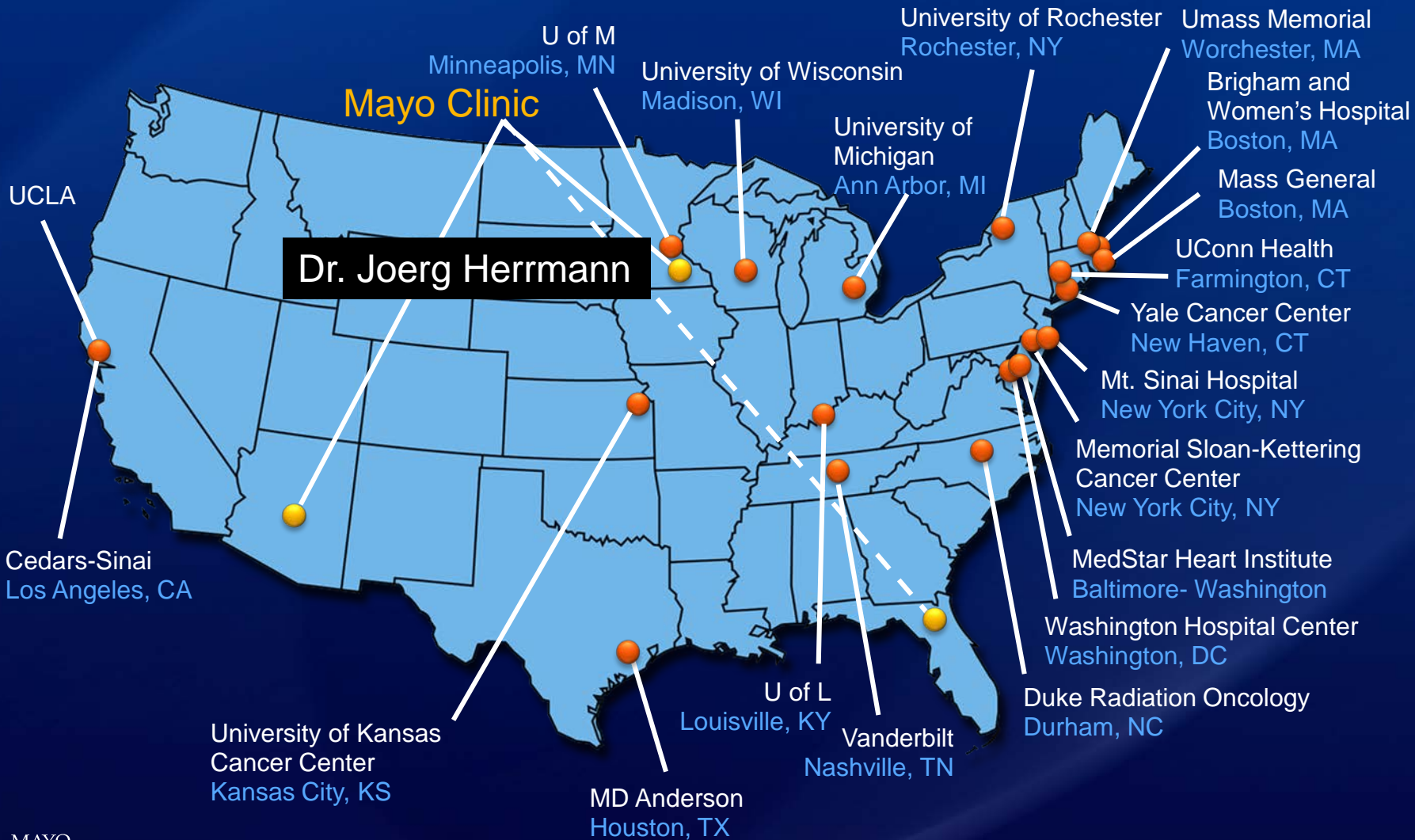
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Due to the aging of the populations of developed countries and a common occurrence of risk factors, it is increasingly probable that a patient may have both cancer and cardiovascular disease. In addition, cytotoxic agents and targeted therapies used to treat cancer, including classic chemotherapeutic agents, monoclonal antibodies that target tyrosine kinase receptors, small molecule tyrosine kinase inhibitors, and even antiangiogenic drugs and chemoprevention agents such as cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitors, all affect the cardiovascular system. One of the reasons is that many agents reach targets in the microenvironment and do not affect only the tumor. Combination therapy often amplifies cardiotoxicity, and radiotherapy can also cause heart problems, particularly when combined with chemotherapy. In the past, cardiotoxic risk was less evident, but it is increasingly an issue, particularly with combination therapy and adjuvant therapy. Today's oncologists must be fully aware of cardiovascular risks to avoid or prevent adverse cardiovascular effects, and cardiologists must now be ready to assist oncologists by performing evaluations relevant to the choice of therapy. There is a need for cooperation between these two areas and for the development of a novel discipline, which could be termed cardio-oncology or onco-cardiology. Here, we summarize the potential cardiovascular toxicities for a range of cancer chemotherapeutic and chemopreventive agents and emphasize the importance of evaluating cardiovascular risk when patients enter into trials and the need to develop guidelines that include collateral effects on the cardiovascular system. We also discuss mechanistic pathways and describe several potential protective agents that could be administered to patients with occult or overt risk for cardiovascular complications.

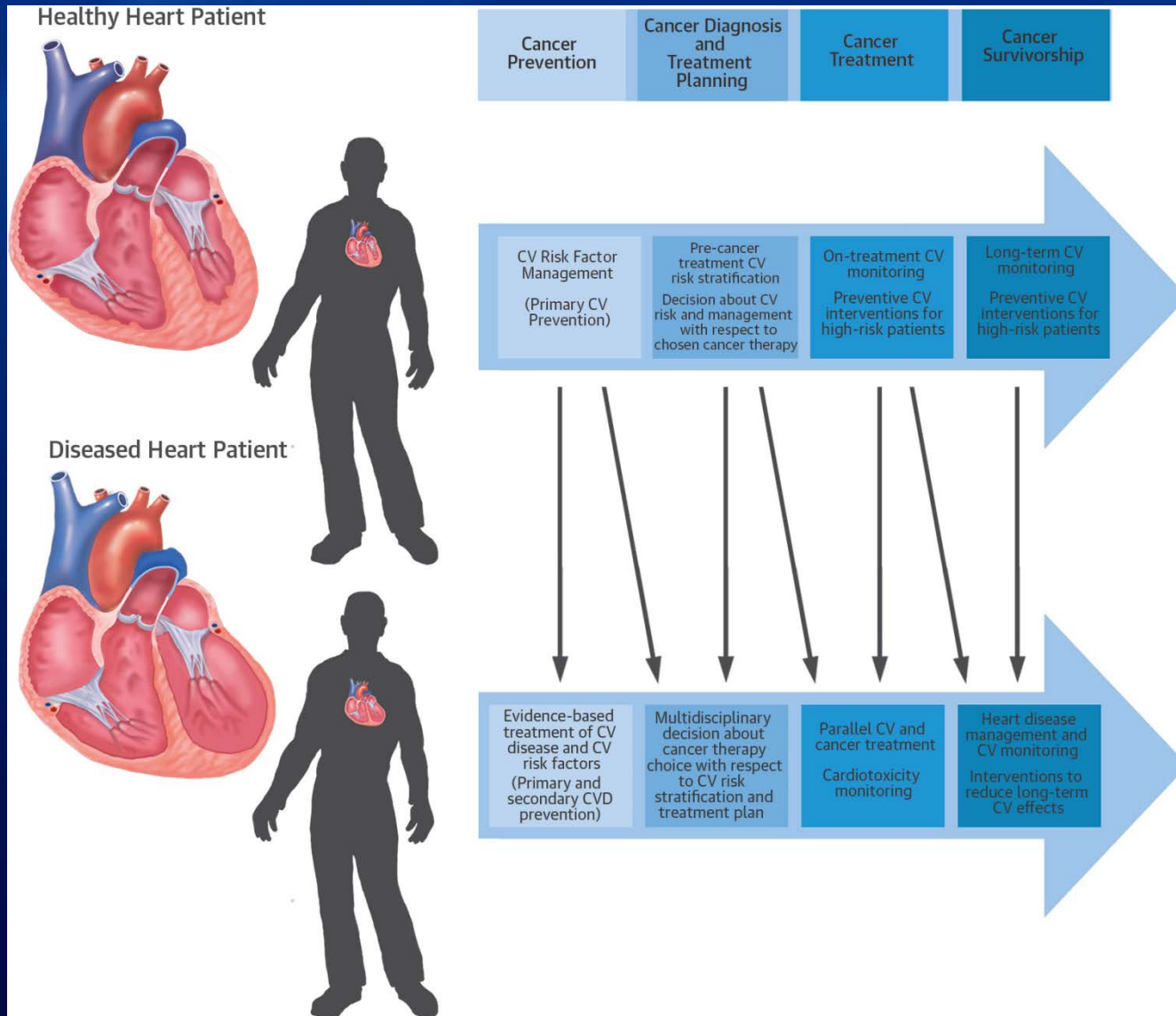
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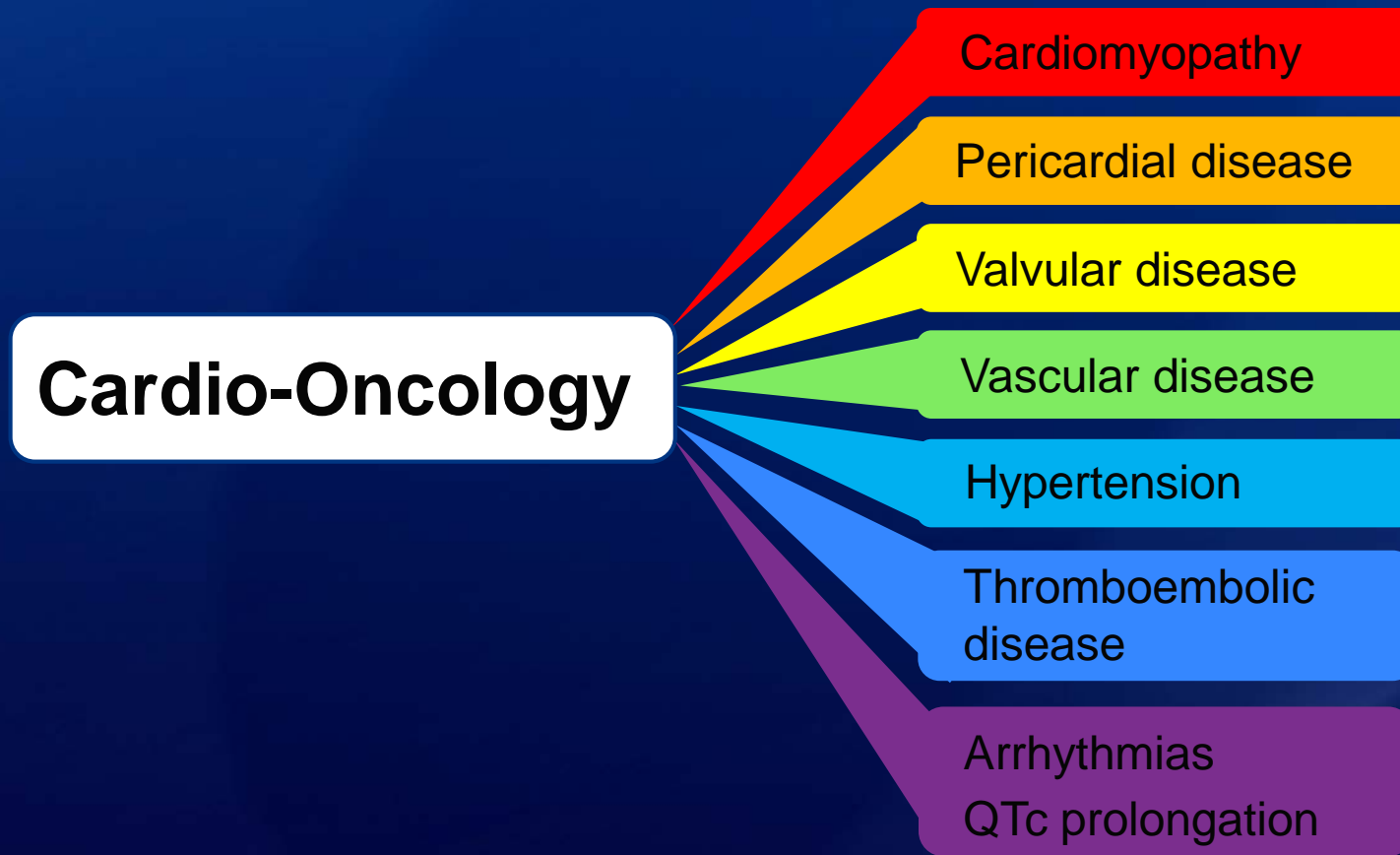


# Continuum of CV Care in Cardio-Oncology



Barac A et al JACC 2015;65(25):2739–2746

# The Spectrum of Cardio-Oncology





## **Women survive breast cancer but fall victim to heart failure: the shadows and lights of targeted therapy**

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In many cases, early-stage breast cancer is now curable, and metastatic disease can be chronic consequent to the advent of new therapeutic tools. Unfortunately, some treatments have been associated with adverse cardiovascular effects. Indeed, in many breast cancer survivors, the risk of cardiovascular disease is higher than the risk of cancer recurrence. The clinical challenge of preventing cardiovascular complications in patients undergoing antineoplastic treatment has two aims, more effective life-saving treatment of patients, and prevention of morbidity and cardiovascular mortality in the short term and long term. The aim of the present study is to review the rapidly evolving therapeutic strategies designed to treat early-stage breast cancer. The review highlights the need for more data on the impact of new biological drugs (targeted therapy) on the cardiovascular apparatus.

Finally, given the complexity of targeted and other novel treatments, cancer patients are best managed through a multidisciplinary approach. *J Cardiovasc Med* 11:861–868  
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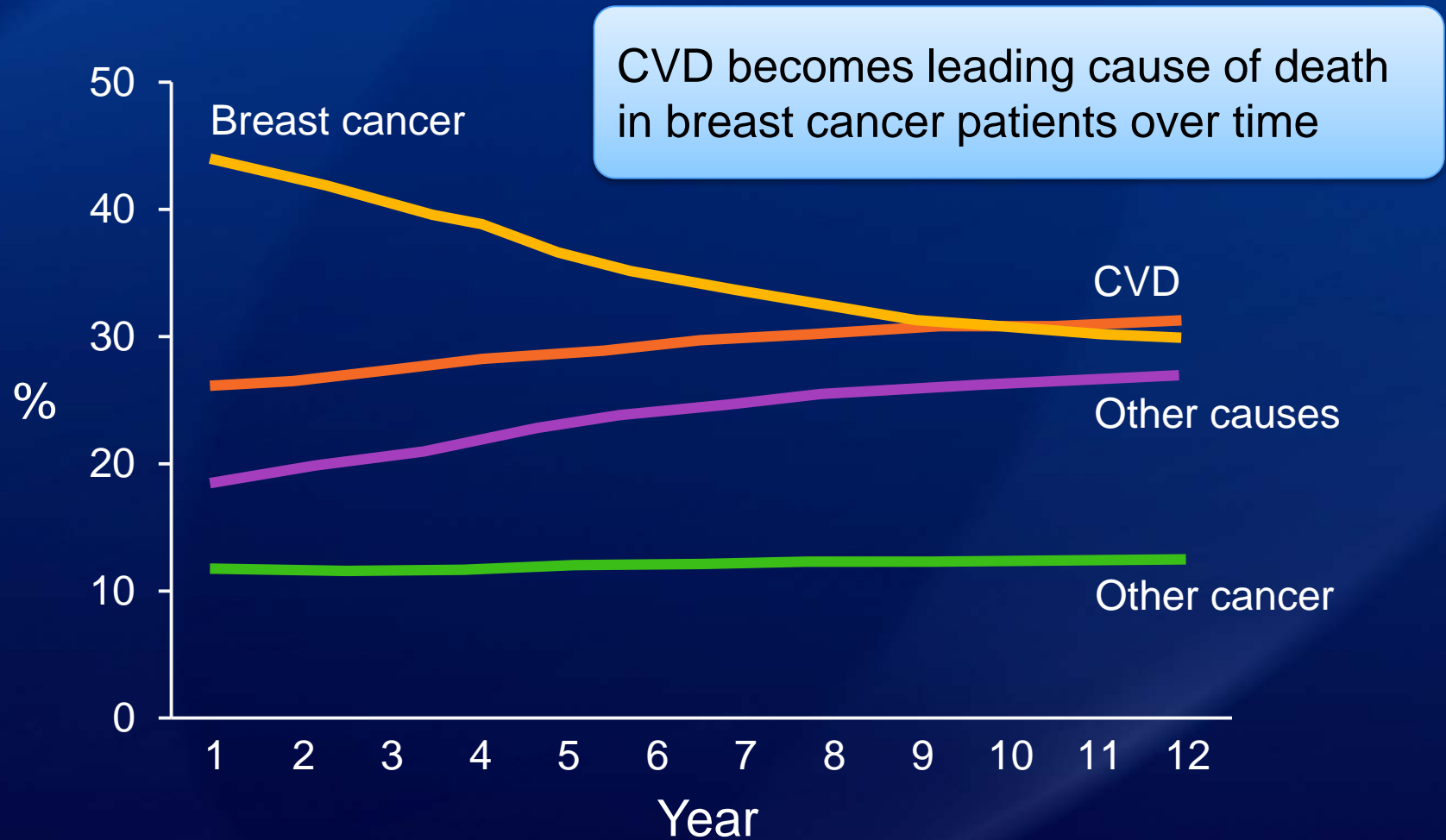
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# Breast Cancer Patients Cause of Death



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## USE OF CHEMOTHERAPY PLUS A MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY AGAINST HER2 FOR METASTATIC BREAST CANCER THAT OVEREXPRESSES HER2

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### ABSTRACT

**Background** Growth factor receptor tyrosine kinase inhibitors are overexpressed in metastatic breast cancer, increasing the risk of progression.

**Methods** We compared the efficacy and safety of trastuzumab plus chemotherapy with chemotherapy alone in 234 patients with metastatic breast cancer that overexpresses HER2. The primary end point was progression-free survival.

**Results** Trastuzumab plus chemotherapy was associated with a significantly higher rate of progression-free survival (P < 0.001), a median survival of 6.1 months (95% CI, 5.2 to 7.0) versus 5.5 months (95% CI, 4.8 to 6.2) in the chemotherapy-alone group. The most important adverse event was cardiac dysfunction, which occurred in 27 percent of patients in the trastuzumab plus chemotherapy group, 8 percent of the group given an anthracycline and cyclophosphamide alone; 13 percent of the group given paclitaxel and trastuzumab; and 1 percent of the group given paclitaxel alone. Although the cardiotoxicity was potentially severe and, in some cases, life-threatening, the symptoms generally improved with standard medical management.

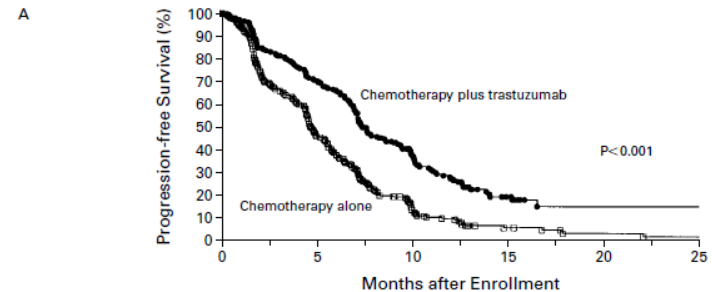
**Conclusions** Trastuzumab increases the clinical benefit of first-line chemotherapy in metastatic breast cancer that overexpresses HER2. (N Engl J Med 2001; 344:783-92.)

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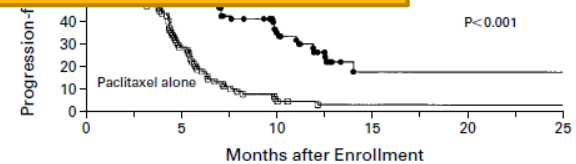
The **most important adverse event** was **cardiac dysfunction** of New York Heart Association class III or IV, which occurred in **27 percent** of the group given an anthracycline, cyclophosphamide, and trastuzumab; 8 percent of the group given an anthracycline and cyclophosphamide alone; 13 percent of the group given paclitaxel and trastuzumab; and 1 percent of the group given paclitaxel alone. Although the cardiotoxicity was **potentially severe and, in some cases, life-threatening**, the symptoms generally improved with standard medical management.

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\*Additional study investigators are listed in the Appendix.



No. AT RISK	0	5	10	15	20	25
Chemotherapy plus trastuzumab	235	152	63	15		
Chemotherapy alone	234	103	25	6		



No. AT RISK	0	5	10	15	20	25
Paclitaxel and trastuzumab	92	54	23			
Paclitaxel alone	96	26	5			

# Chemotherapy-Induced Cardiotoxicity

## Type I vs. Type II

	Type I (damage)	Type II (dysfunction)
Prototype	Doxorubicin	Trastuzumab
Ultrastructure	vacuoles, necrosis microfibrillar disarray	no abnormalities
Mechanism	Oxidative injury mitochondrial function ↓ altered calcium homeostasis altered cardiac gene expression apoptosis of cardiomyocytes	ErbB2 signaling inhibition

Ewer, Lippman J Clin Oncol 2005;23:2900-2

# Radiation Rx and Cardiac Disease: Hodgkin's Lymphoma Rx'd w/ mediastinal irradiation

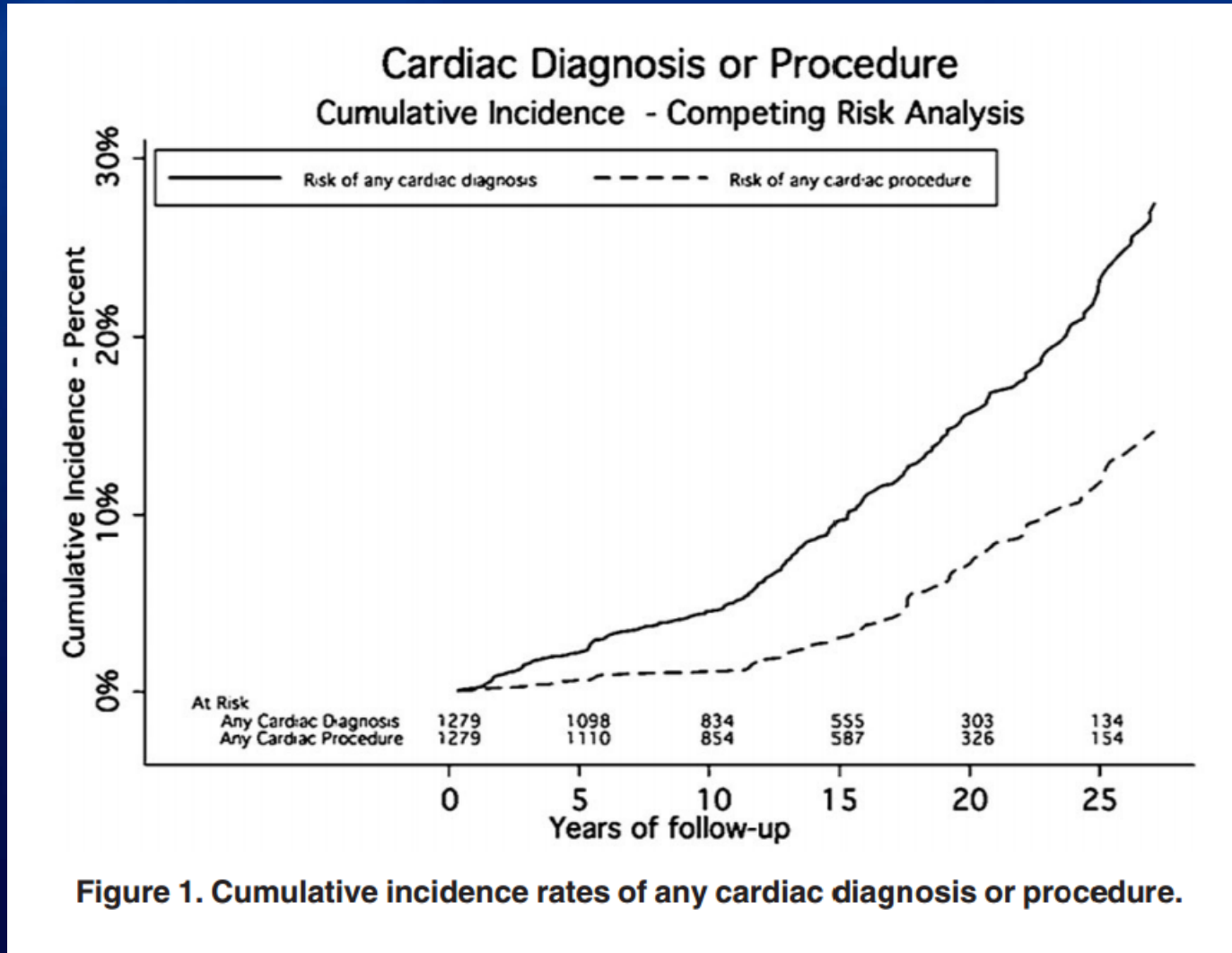


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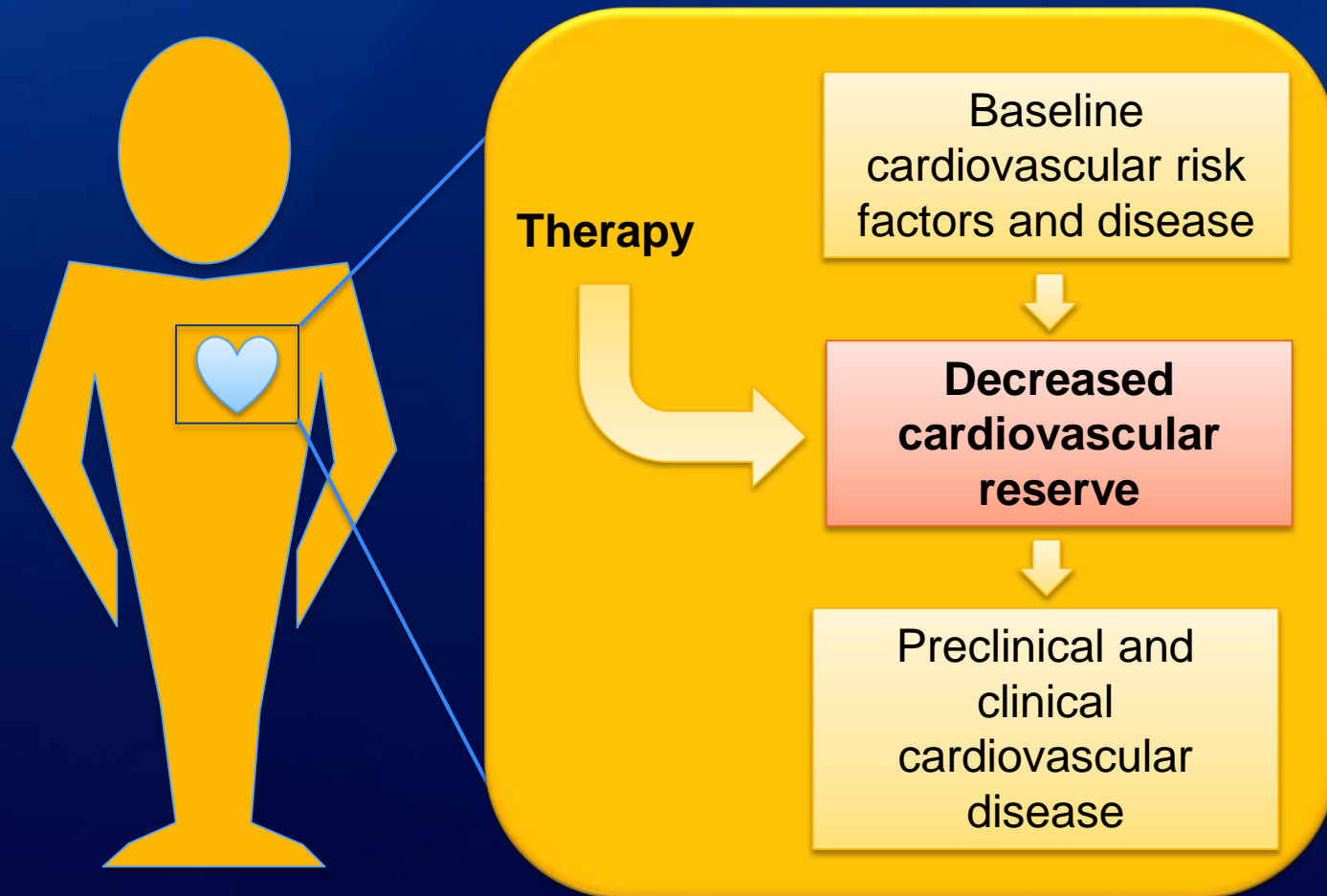
# Radiation Effects on the Heart

Tissue Involved	Clinical Presentation	Histology
Pericardium	Acute Pericarditis, Chronic effusion Constrictive Pericarditis	Fibrous thickening of the pericardium , collagen & fibrin deposition on the mesothelial surfaces
Conduction system	Heart block	Fibrosis of the conduction system
Vessels	Premature CAD, Myocardial infarction Asymptomatic CAD, vessel occlusion	Intimal proliferation of fibrous tissue, Media destroyed with adventitia markedly thickened and fibrotic
Valves	Valvular Disease (Stenosis / Regurgitation)	Leaflets /Cusps fibrosis, calcification, thickening
Myocardium	Myocarditis, CMP, CHF. Diastolic dysfunction	Increased collagen, ***Type 1, Interstitial fibrosis, Myocardial perfusion defects



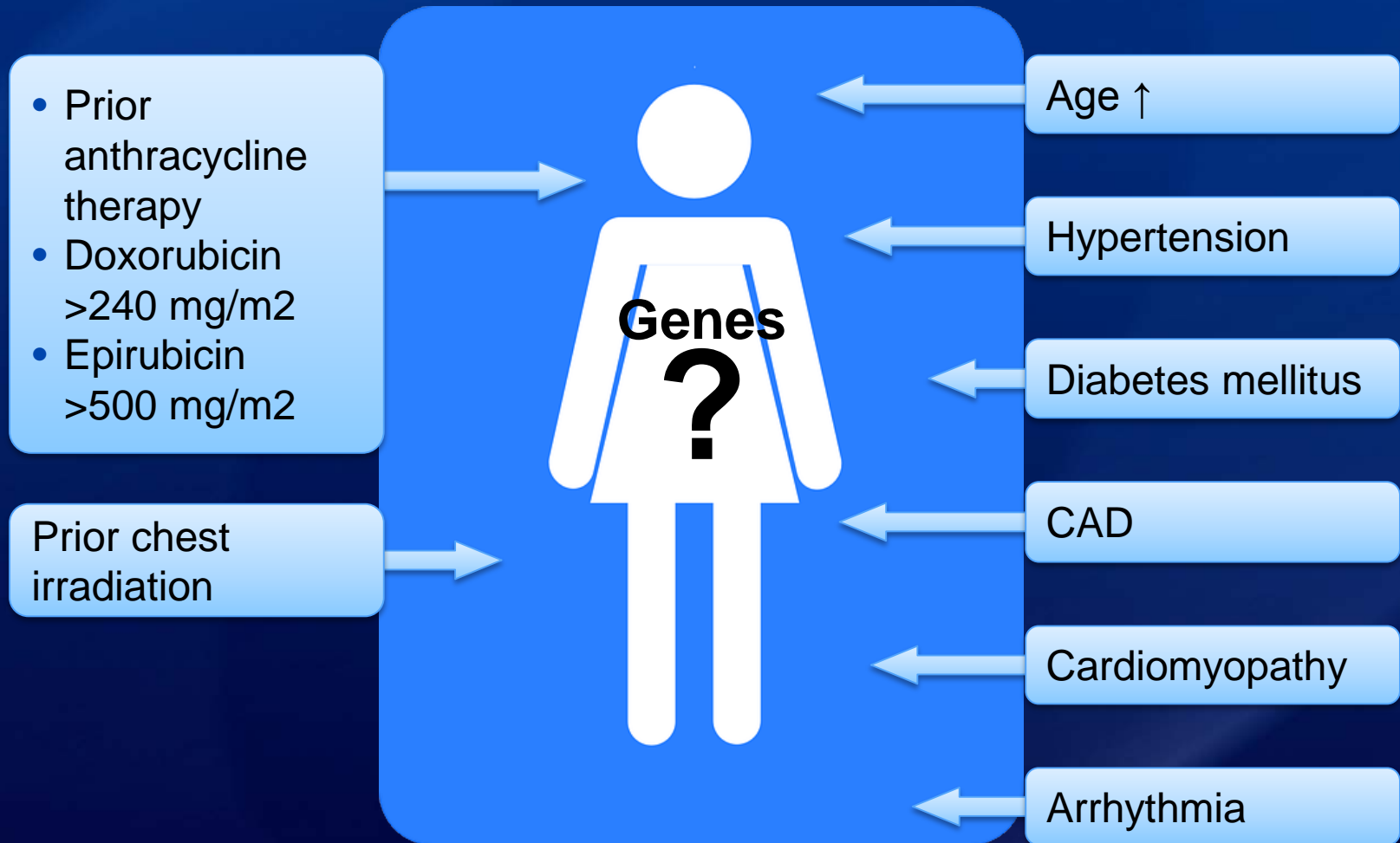
# Cancer Therapy and CVD

## Significance of the Cardiovascular Reserve



# Trastuzumab Cardiotoxicity

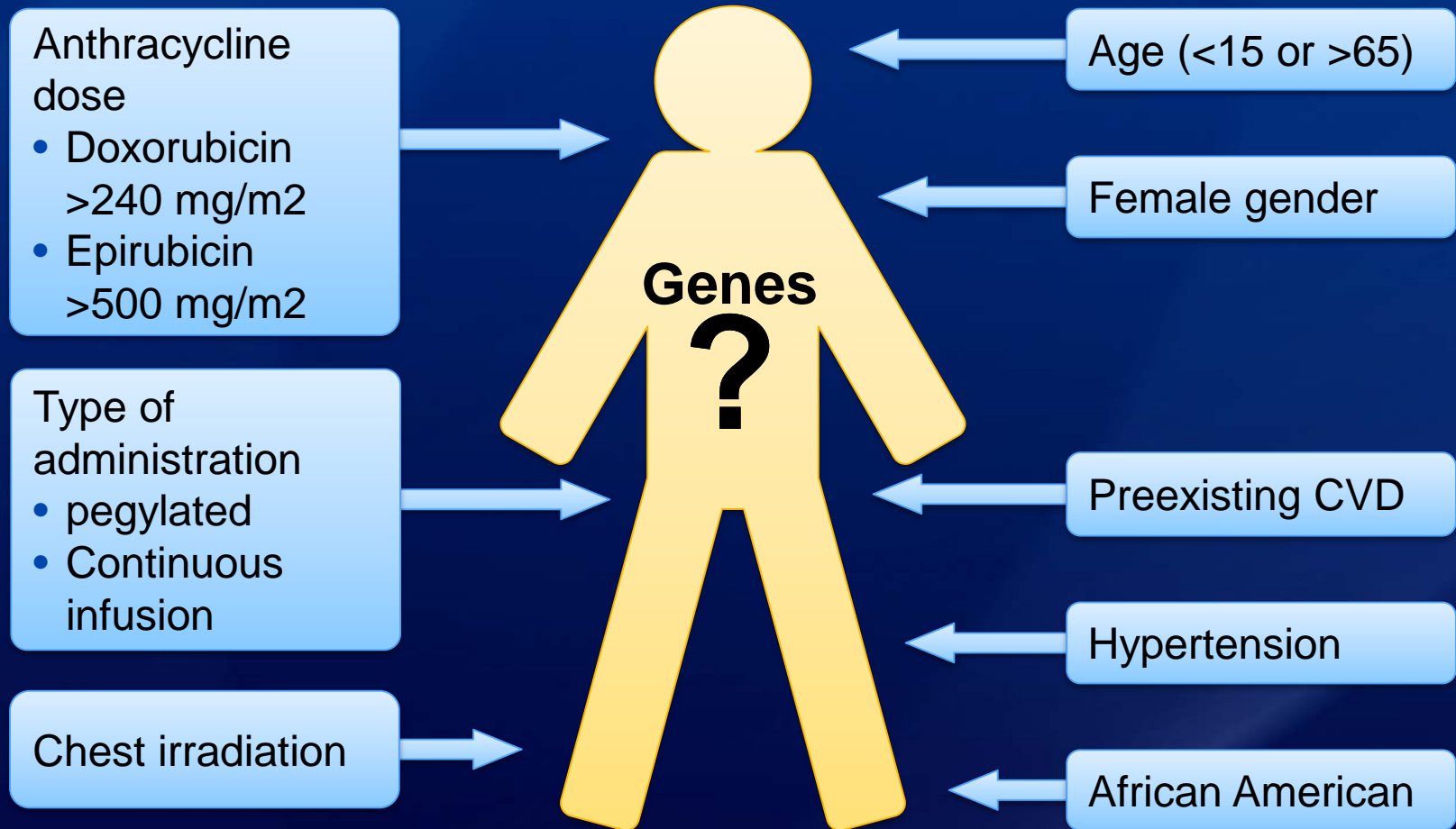
## Clinical Predictors



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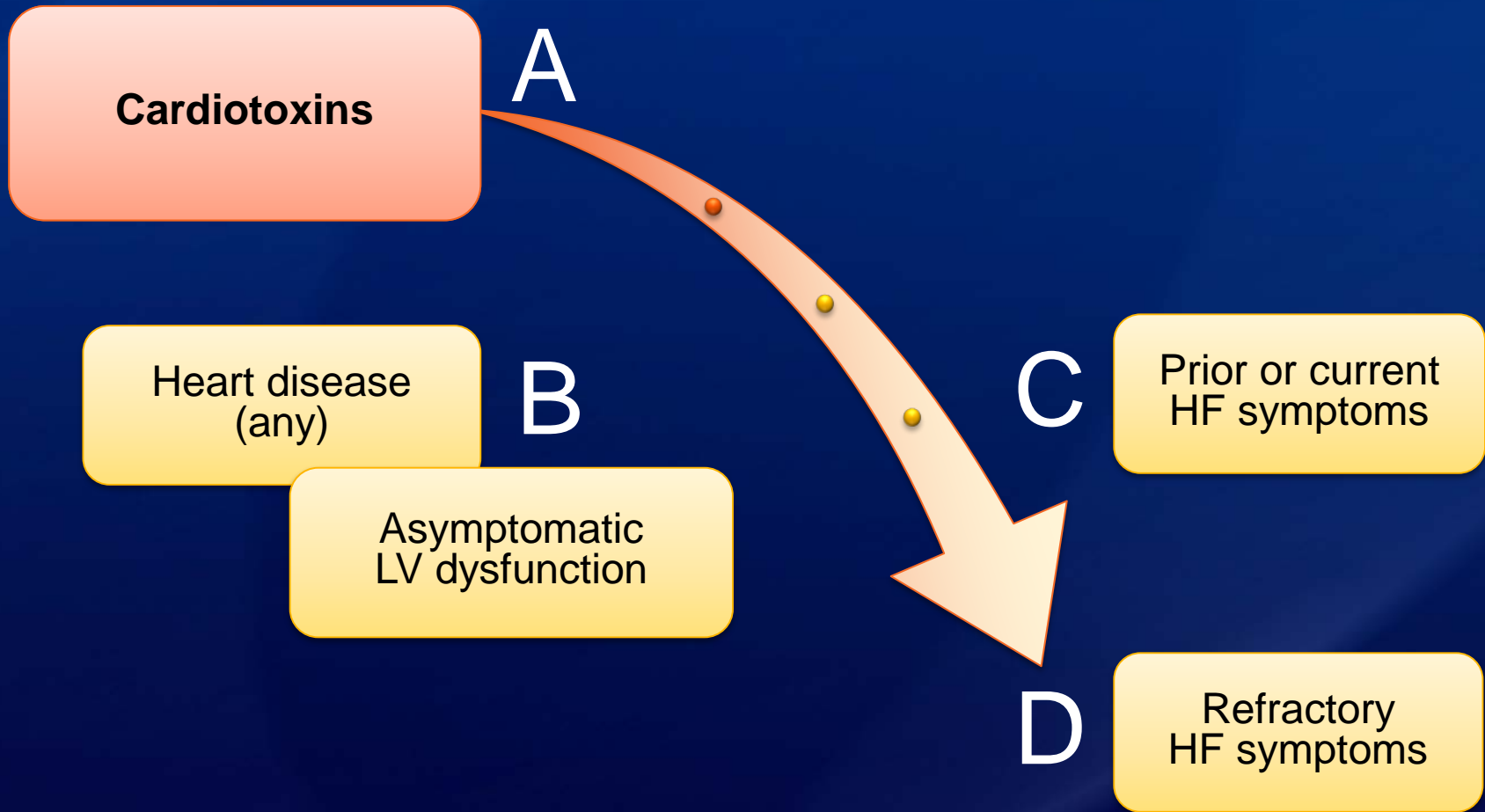
# Anthracycline Cardiotoxicity

## Clinical Predictors



# Chemotherapy-induced Cardiotoxicity

## Progression Through the Heart Failure Stages



2013 ACCF/AHA Guideline for Management of Heart Failure

# How to Respond?

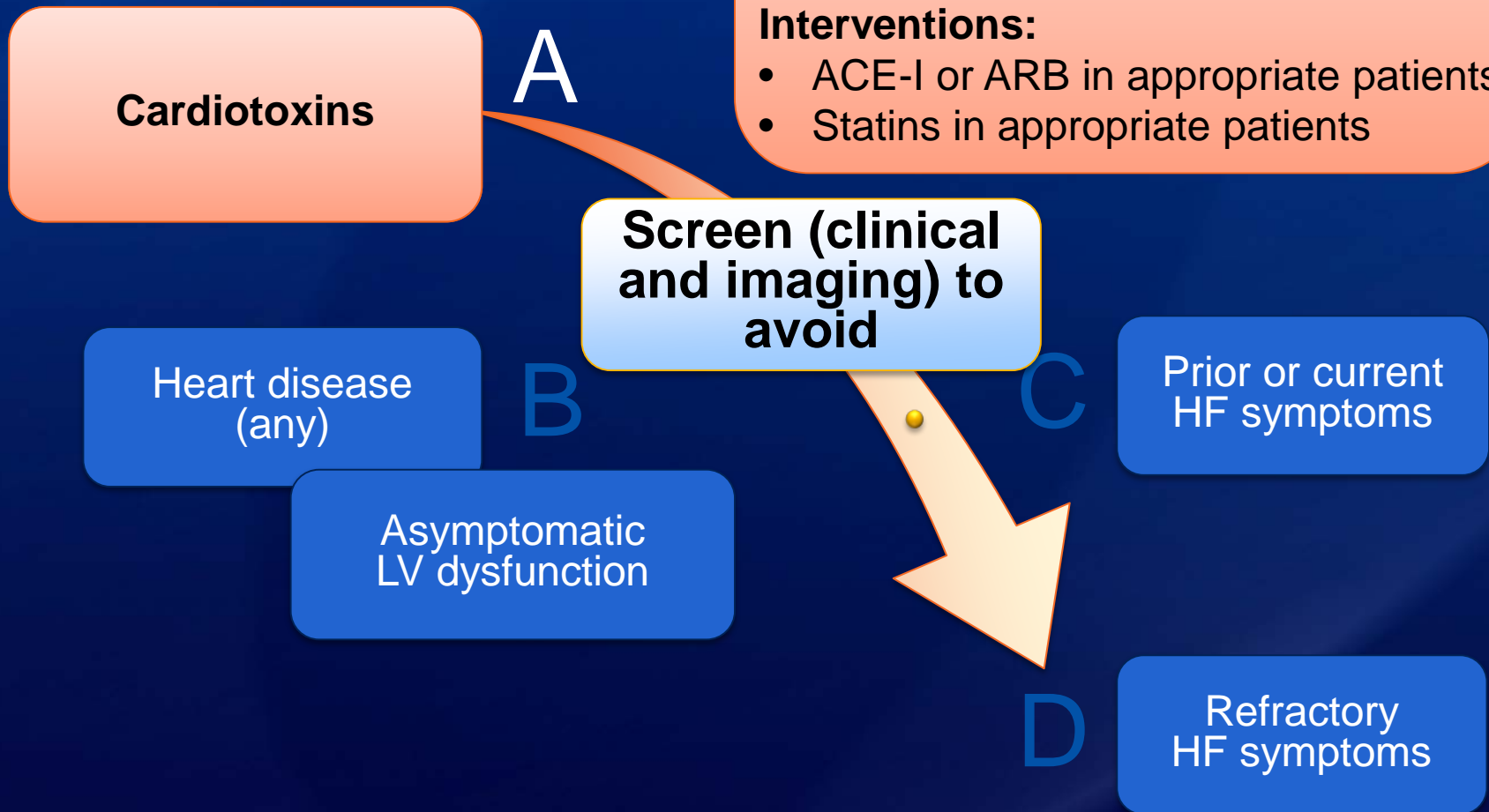
## Predict and Prevent

### Goals:

- Heart healthy lifestyle
- Prevent vascular, coronary disease
- Prevent LV structural abnormalities

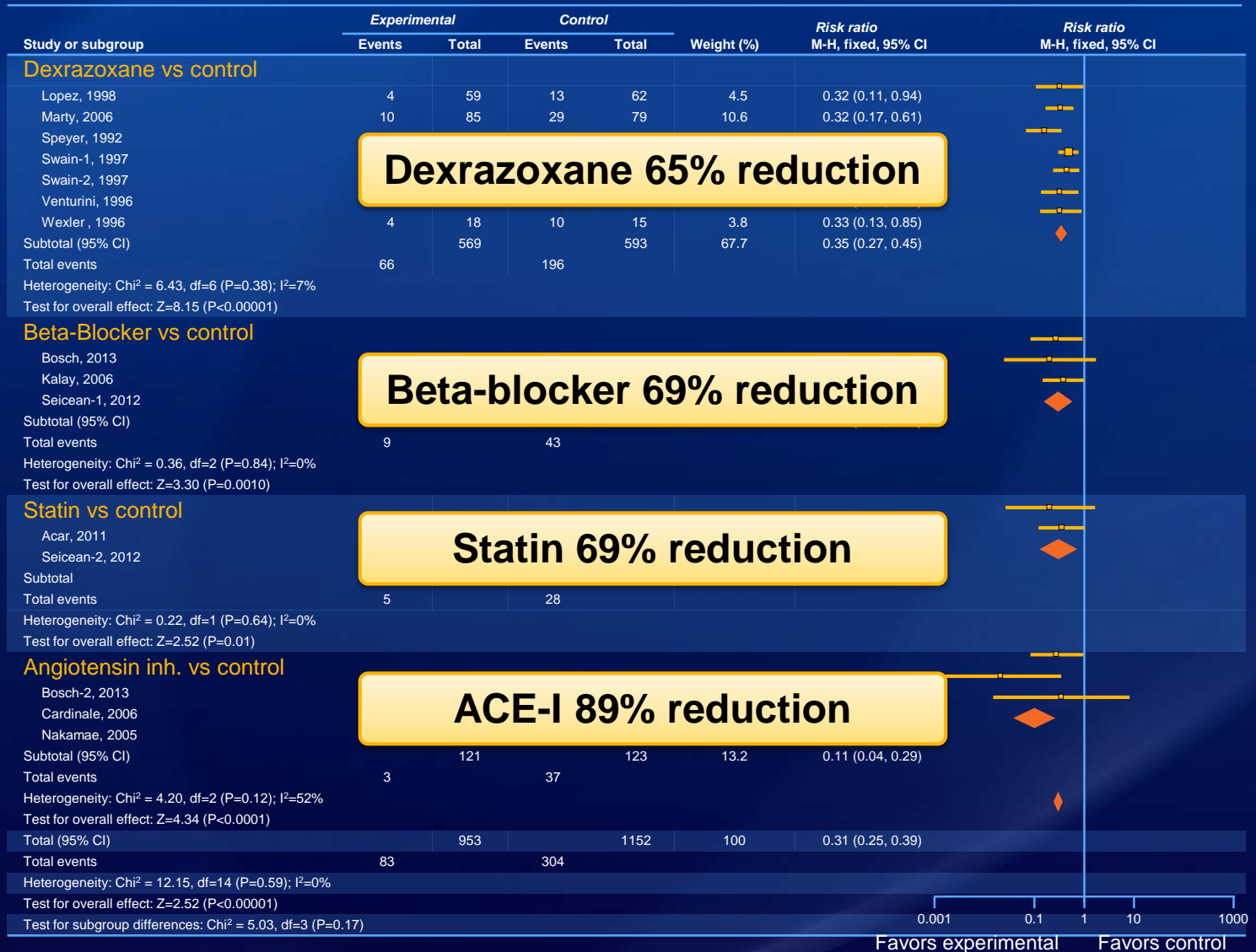
### Interventions:

- ACE-I or ARB in appropriate patients
- Statins in appropriate patients



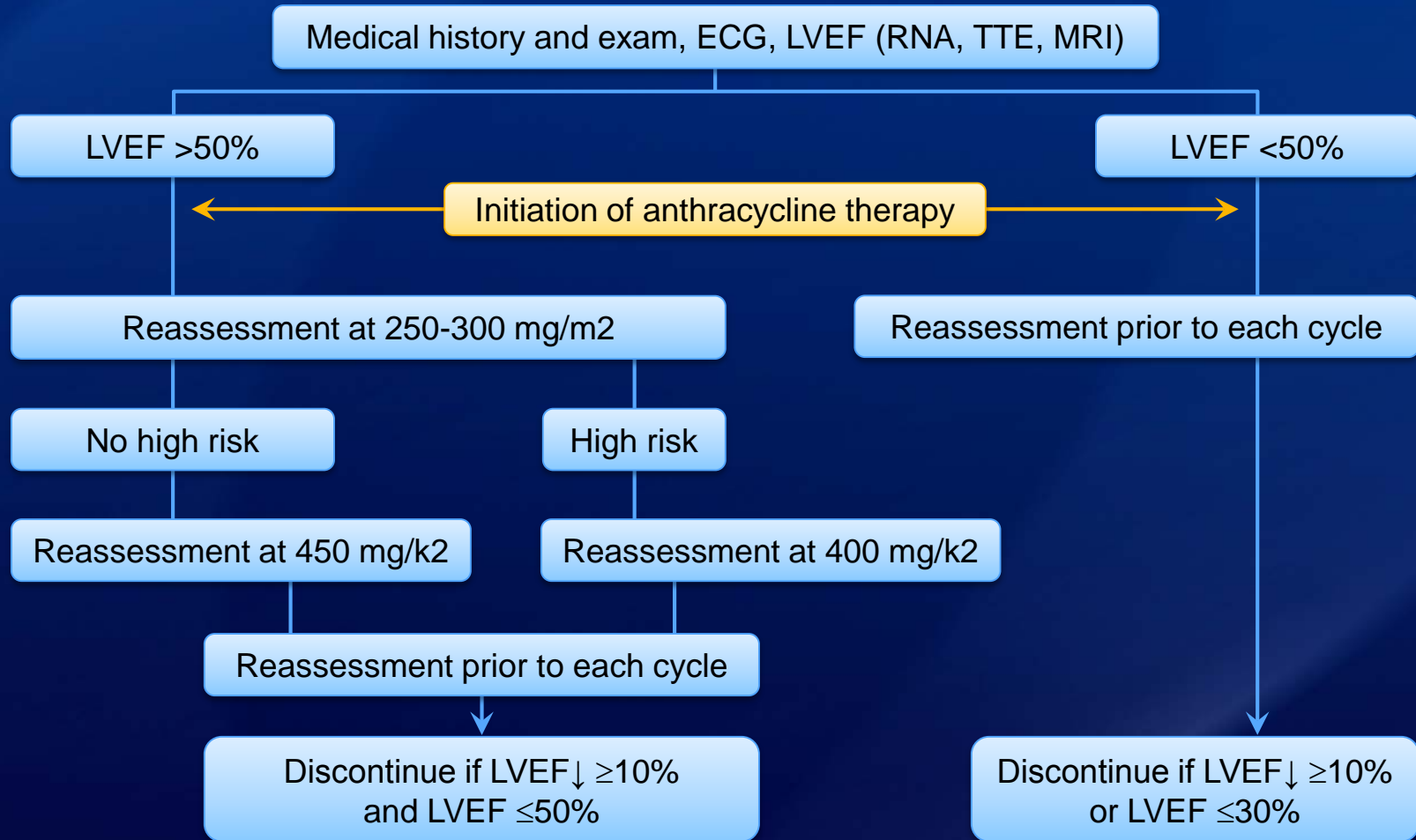
# Cardiotoxicity Prevention

## Stratified by Prophylactic Drug Group



# Management Algorithm

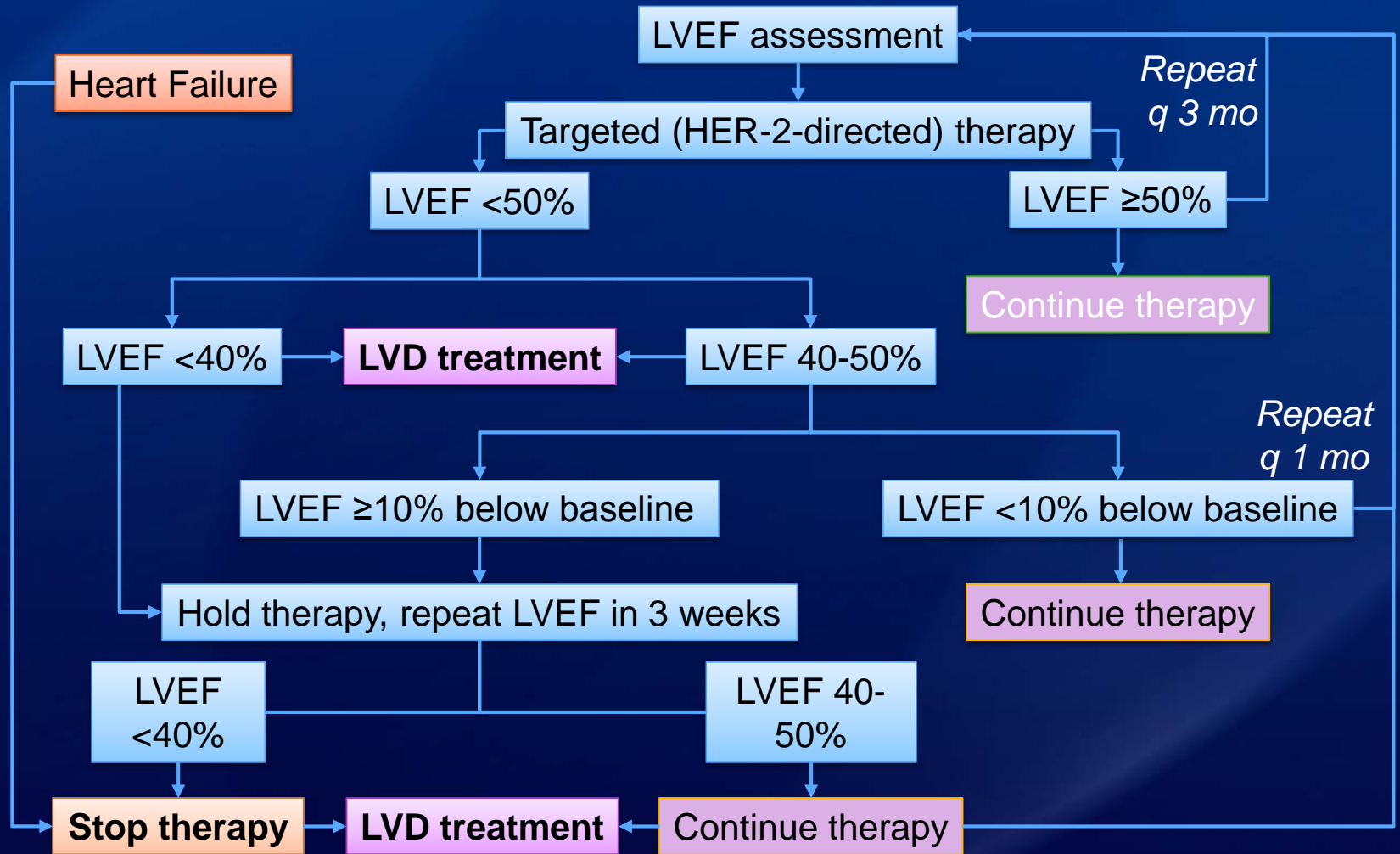
## Anthracyclines



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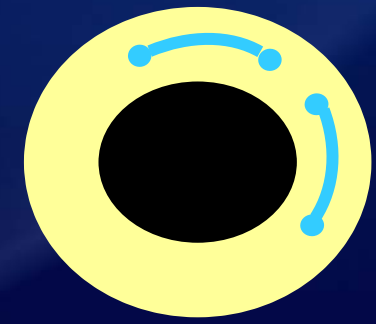
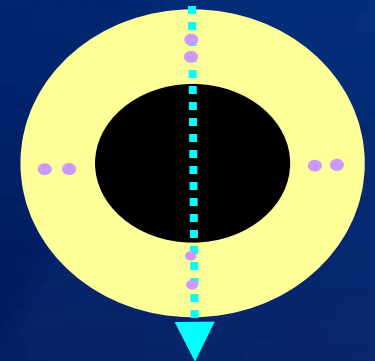
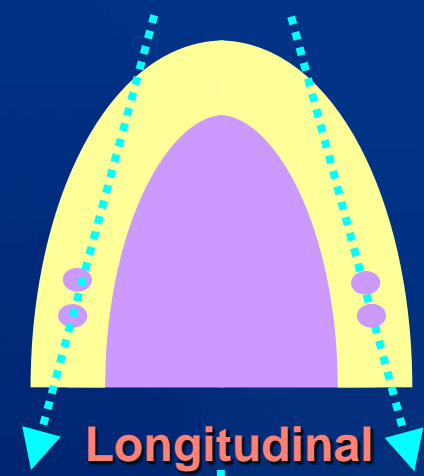
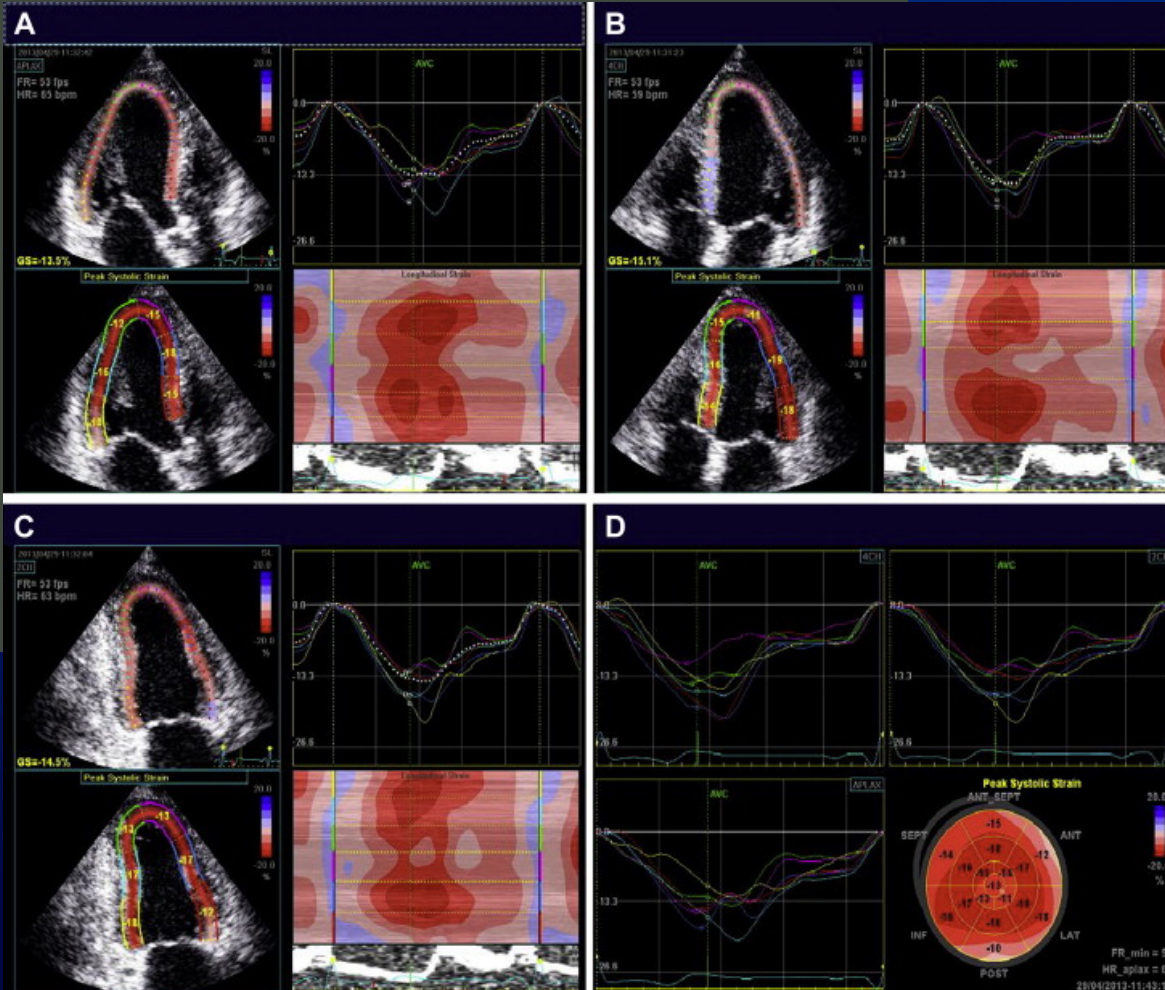
## Trastuzumab



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ESMO Guidelines



# Echo Strain Imaging: a more sensitive detector of LV dysfunction



## EXPERT CONSENSUS STATEMENT

# Expert Consensus for Multimodality Imaging Evaluation of Adult Patients during and after Cancer Therapy: A Report from the American Society of Echocardiography and the European Association of Cardiovascular Imaging

Initiation of regimen potentially associated with Type I toxicity

Baseline evaluation of LVEF  
3DE (preferred) / 2DE (consider contrast)  
GLS, Troponin I

LVEF < 53%\*  
GLS < LLN\*\*  
+ Troponins

Cardiology consultation

LVEF > 53%  
GLS > LLN\*\*  
- Troponins

F/U at completion of therapy,  
and 6 months later\*\*\*

\* Consider confirmation with CMR.

\*\* LLN = Lower limit of normal. Please refer to Table 5 for normal GLS values based on vendor, gender and age.

\*\*\* If the dose is higher than 240 mg/m<sup>2</sup> (or its equivalent), recommend measurement of LVEF, GLS and troponin prior to each additional 50 mg/m<sup>2</sup>.

Initiation of trastuzumab

Baseline evaluation of LVEF  
3DE (preferred) / 2DE (consider contrast)  
GLS or Troponin I

LVEF < 53%\*  
GLS < LLN\*\*  
+ Troponins

Cardiology consultation

LVEF > 53%  
GLS > LLN\*\*  
- Troponins

F/U every 3 months  
during therapy

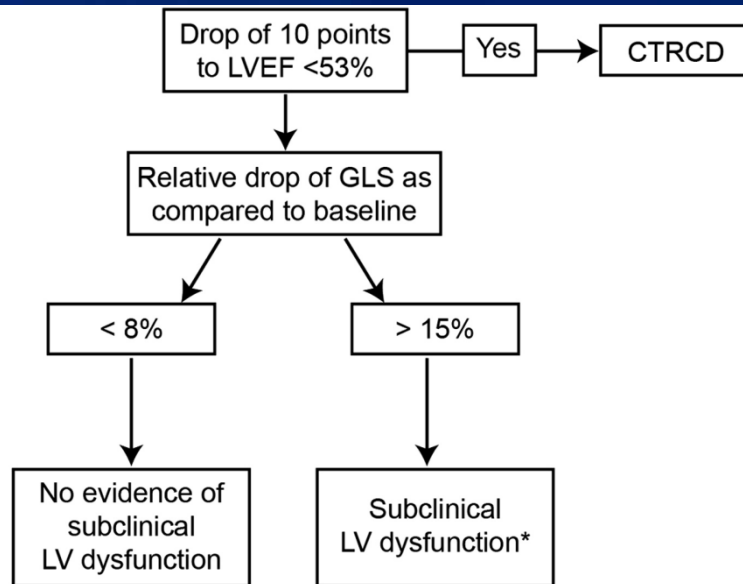
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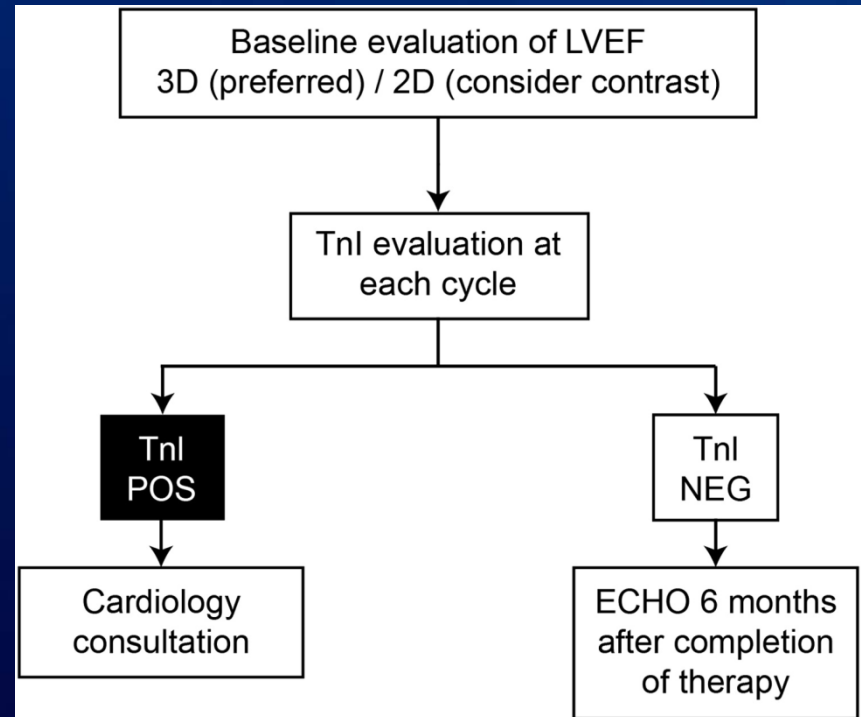
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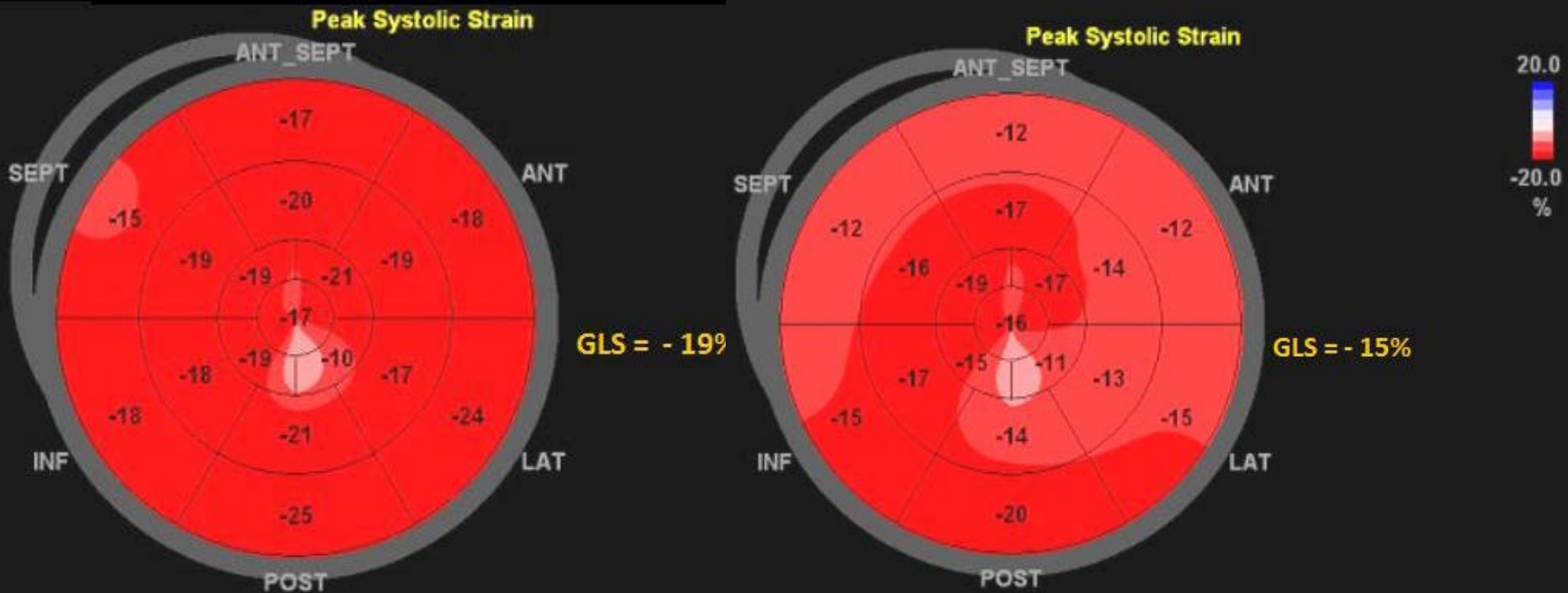


\* The data supporting the initiation of cardioprotection for the treatment of subclinical LV dysfunction is limited.



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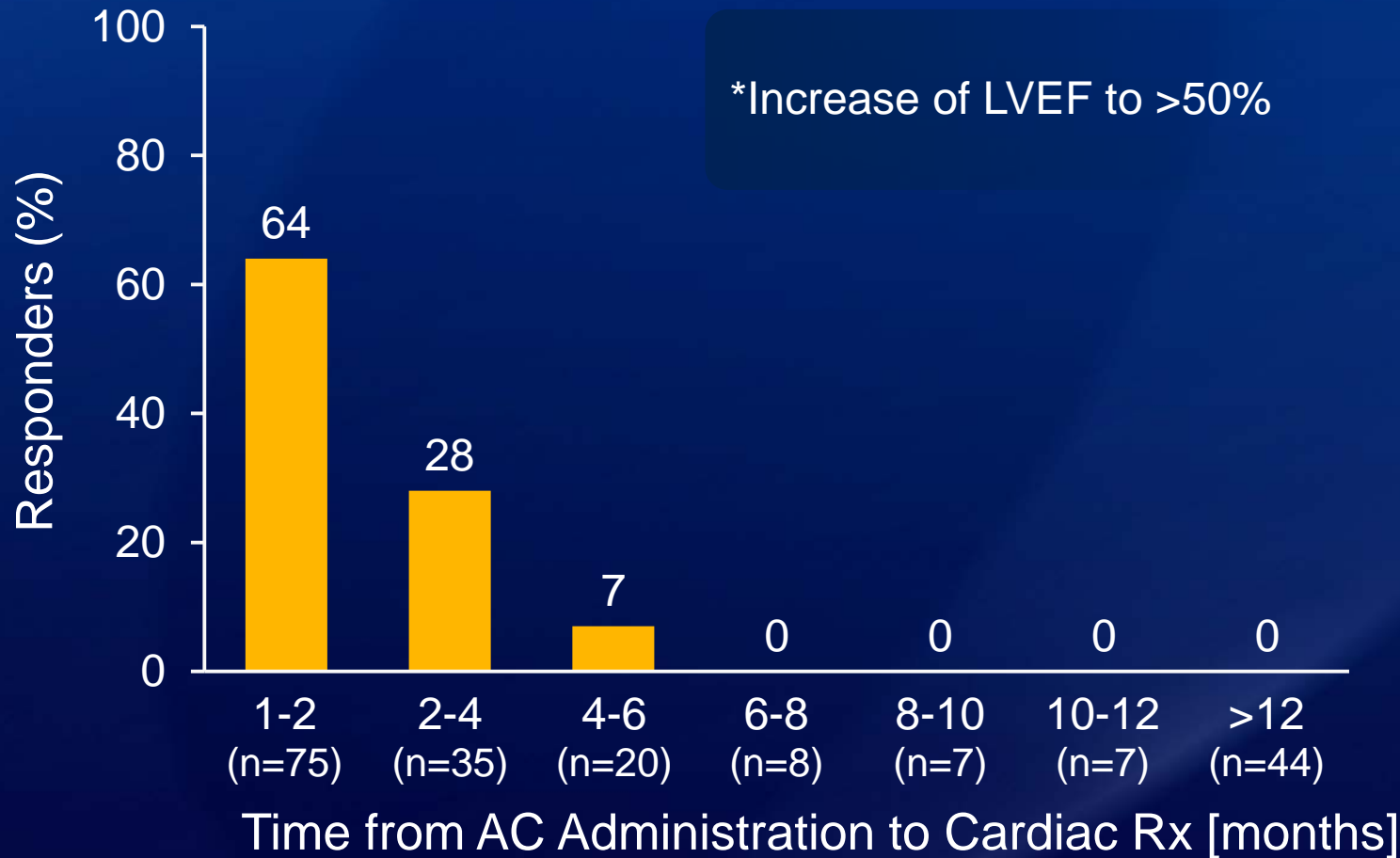
# 45 yo female breast CA; adriamycin/cytoxan Rx



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GLPS_A4C	-18.5 %	HR_ApLAX		.PS_A4C	-16.1 %	HR_ApLAX	66.4 bpm
GLPS_A2C	-21.3 %			.PS_A2C	-14.5 %		
GLPS_Avg	-18.9 %			.PS_Avg	-15.1 %		

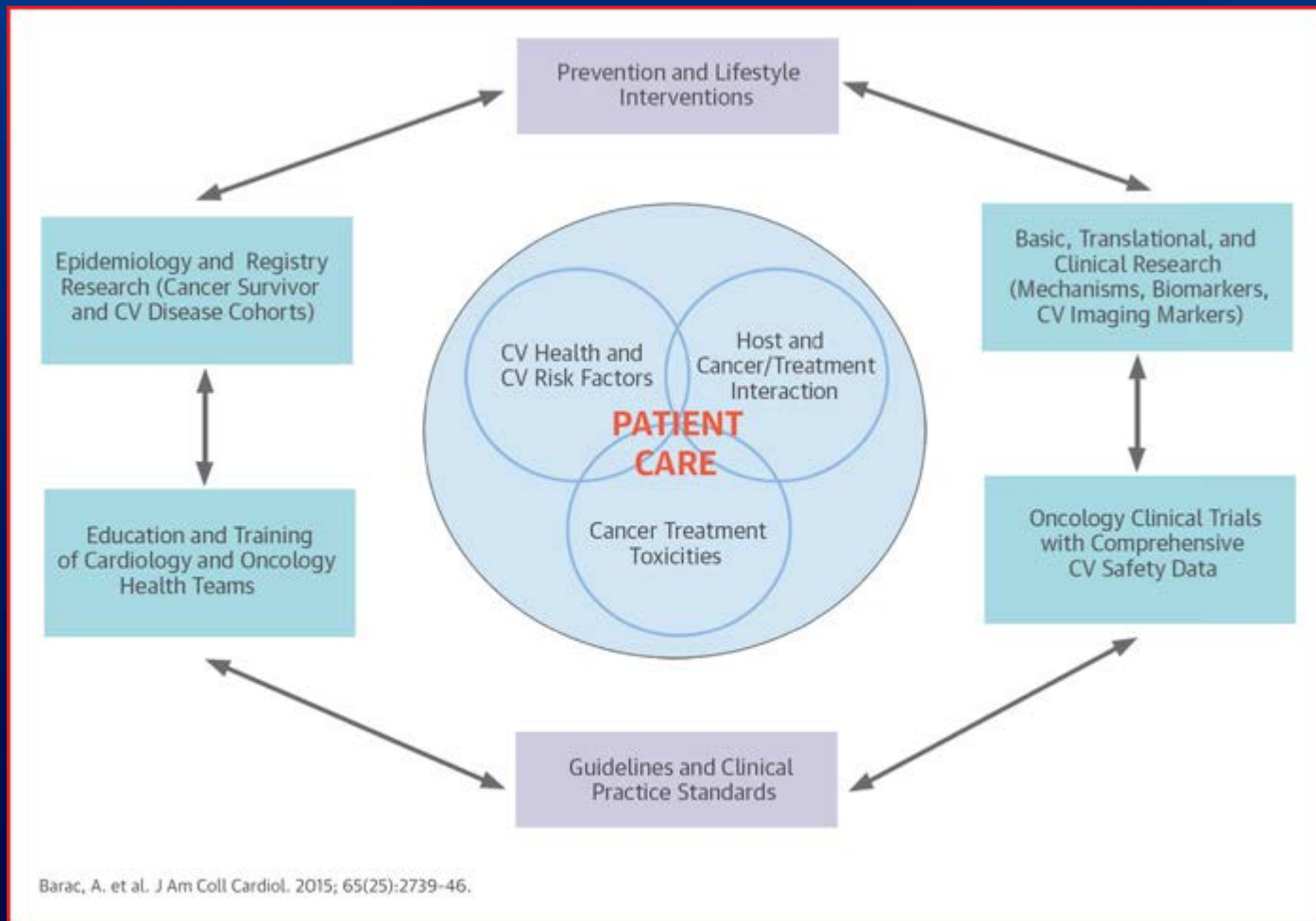
Baseline: normal EF, normal strain (-19%)      3 mos: normal EF, abnormal strain (-15%)

# Timing of Initiation of Treatment (ACE-I/BB) Predicts LVEF Recovery Potential\*



Cardinale et al: JACC 55:213, 2010

# Overview of the Spectrum of Cardio-Oncology: Bench to Bedside to Community Partnerships



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# Cardiotoxicity and Cardio-Oncology

## Summary

- Cancer is a chronic disease, cardio-oncology addresses CV care in cancer patients
- Cardiovascular disease impacts cancer survivorship
- Early detection and early treatment to prevent CHF
- Strategies include risk prediction, preventive Rx and individualization of care

Gracia!

## Questions & Discussion

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