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Important Comorbidities in Heart Failure Management

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Outline



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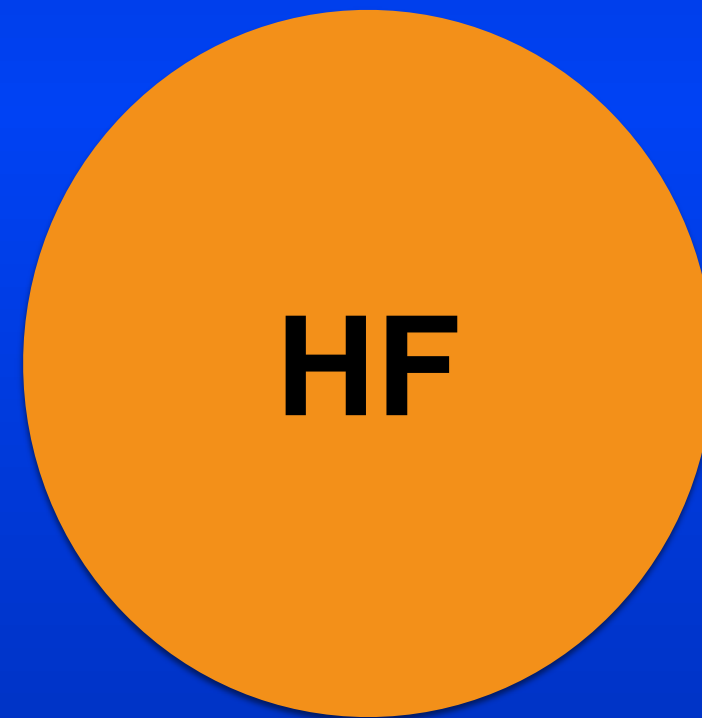
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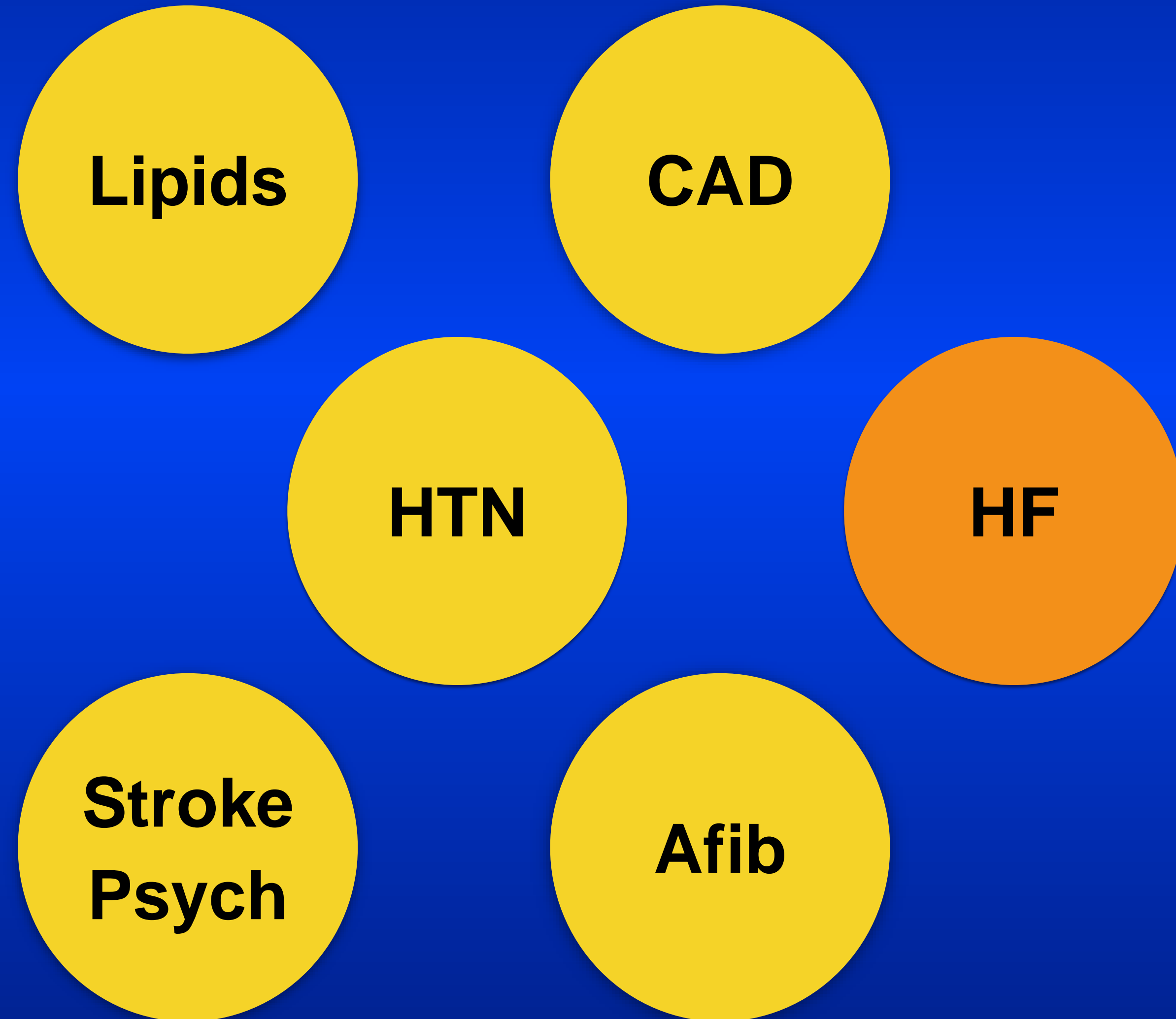
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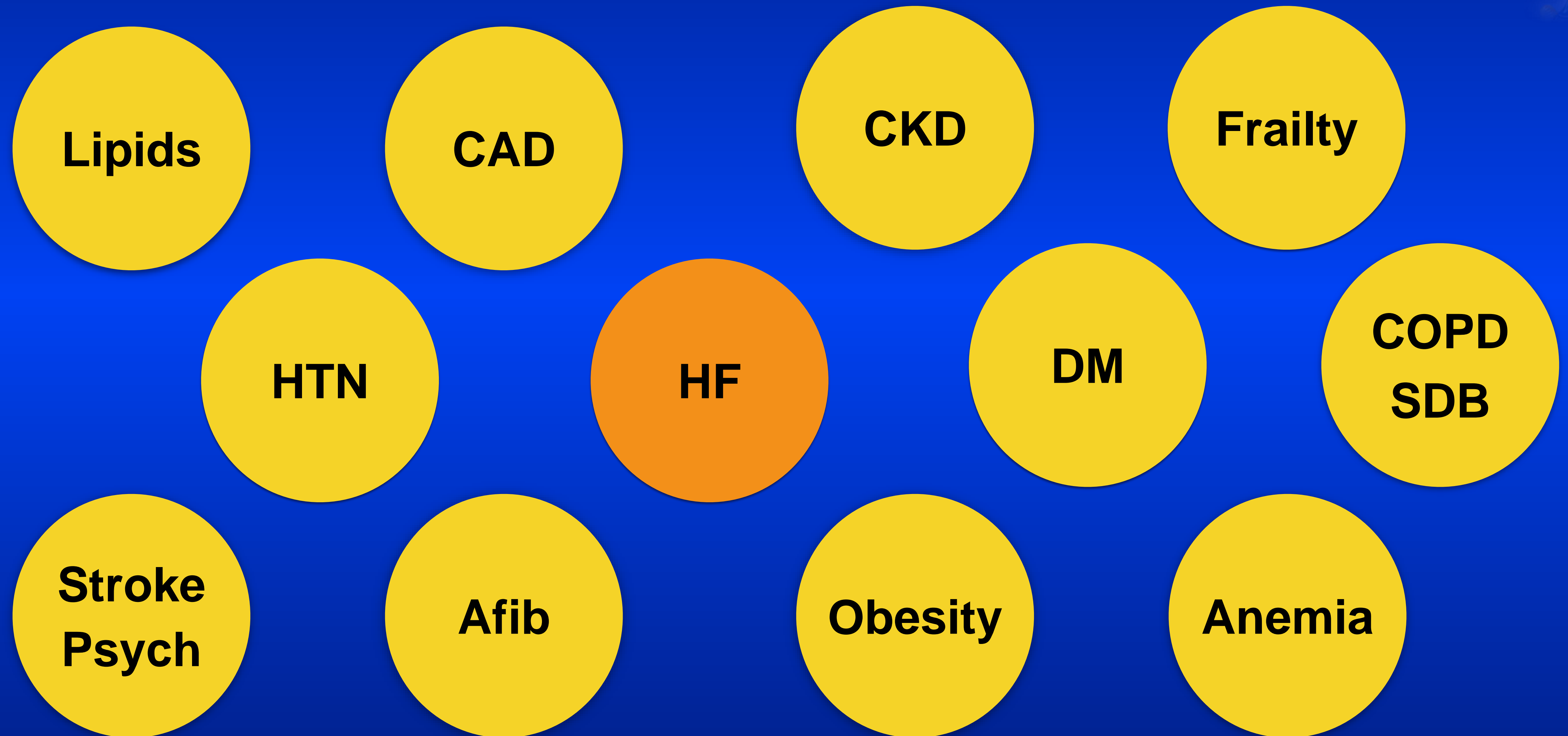
Comorbidities in HF



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Lipids

CAD

CKD

Frailty

HTN

HF

DM

COPD
SDB

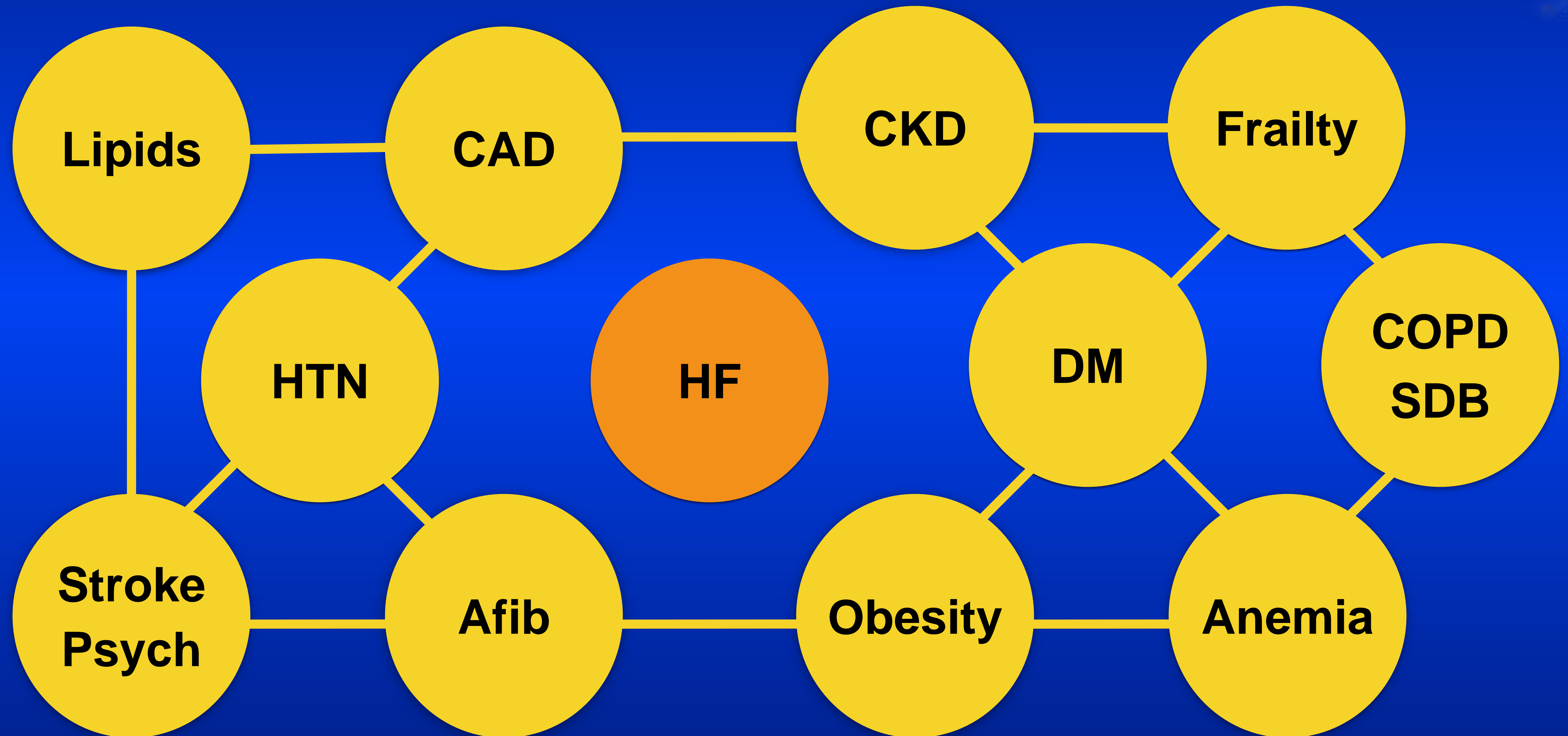
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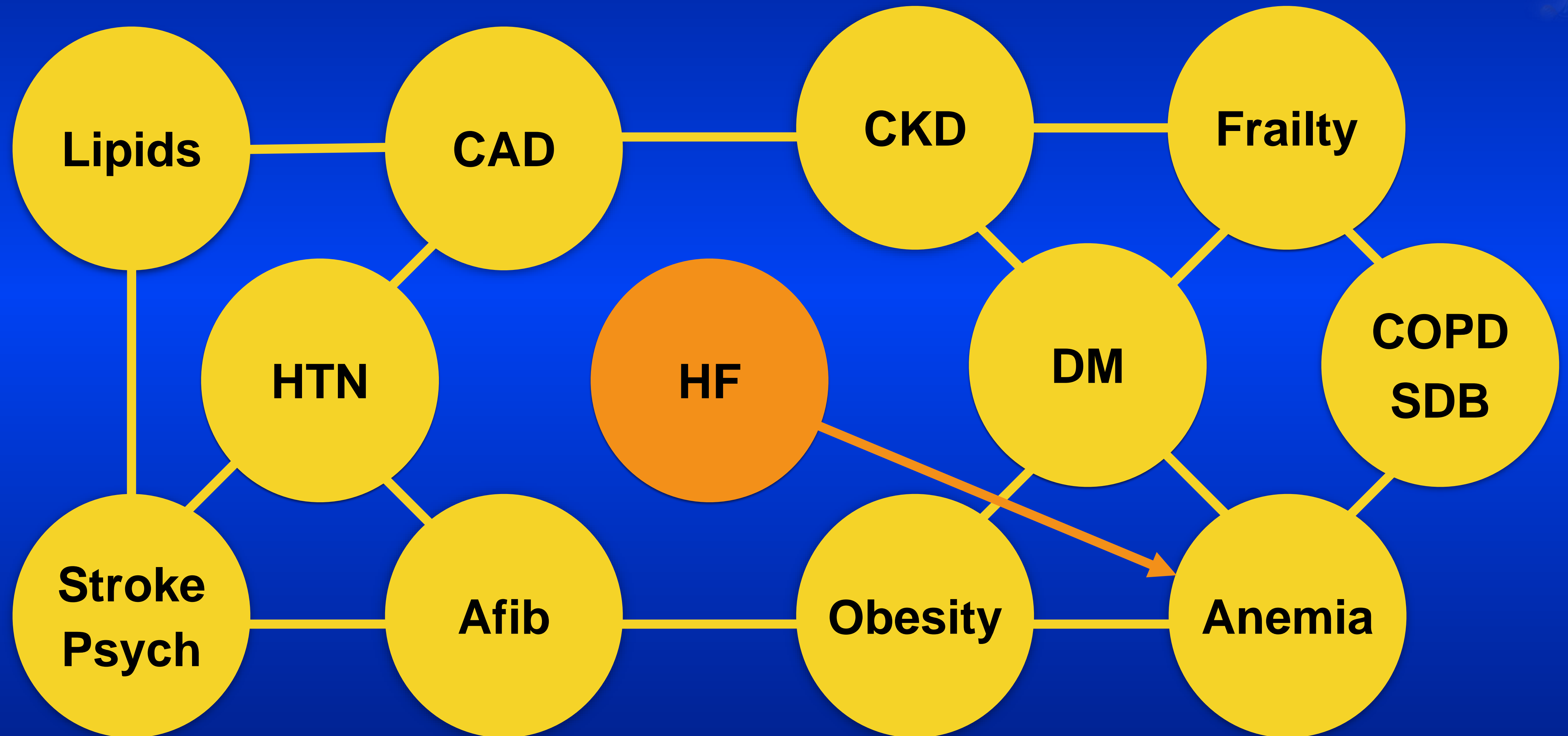


Beneficiary Age > 65 (N=4,376,150)

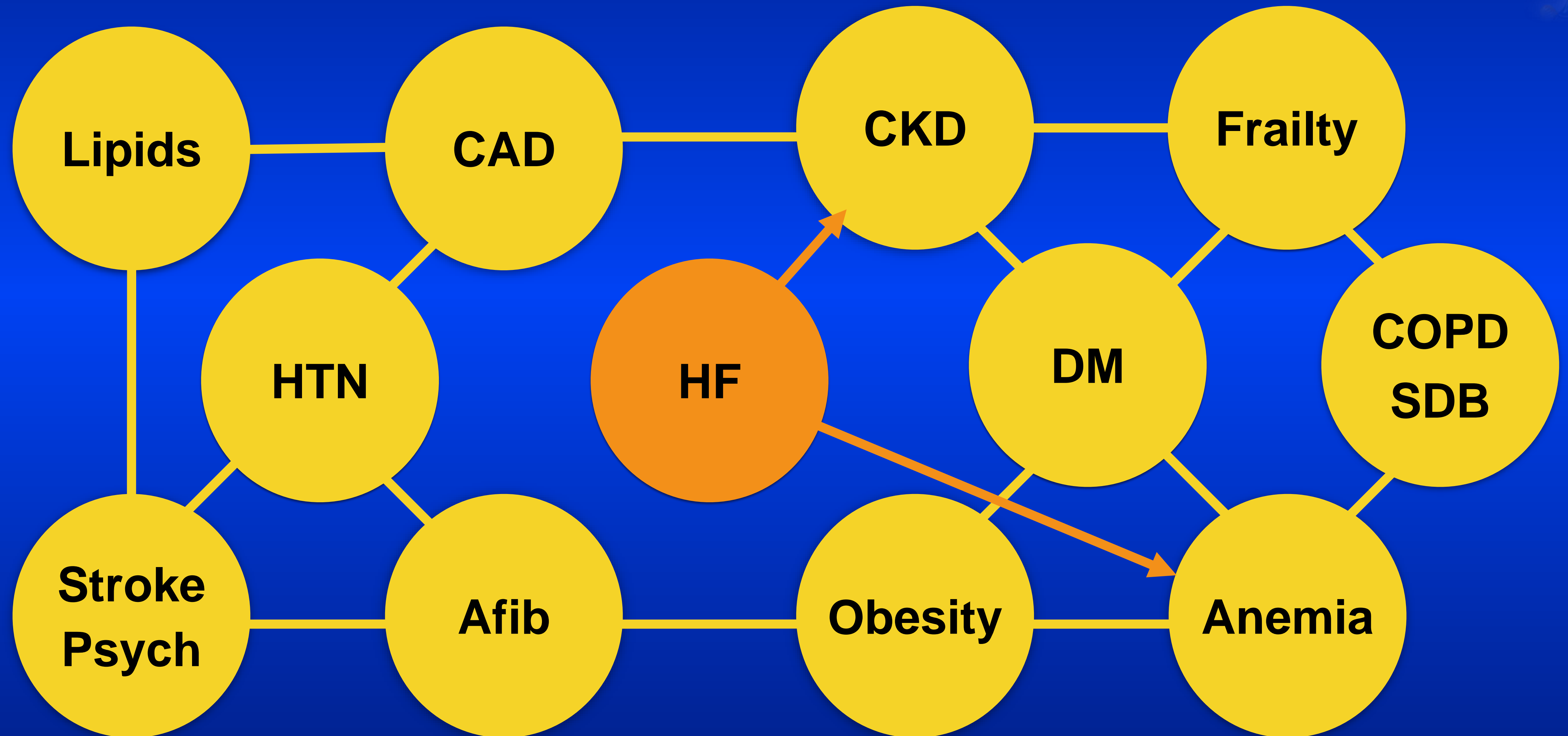
	N	%
HTN	3,685,373	84.2
CAD	3,145,718	71.9
Anemia	2,200,674	50.3
Diabetes	2,027,875	46.3
CKD	1,851,812	42.3
COPD	1,311,118	30

Most Common Co-Occurring Chronic Conditions Among Medicare Beneficiaries With HF, 2011

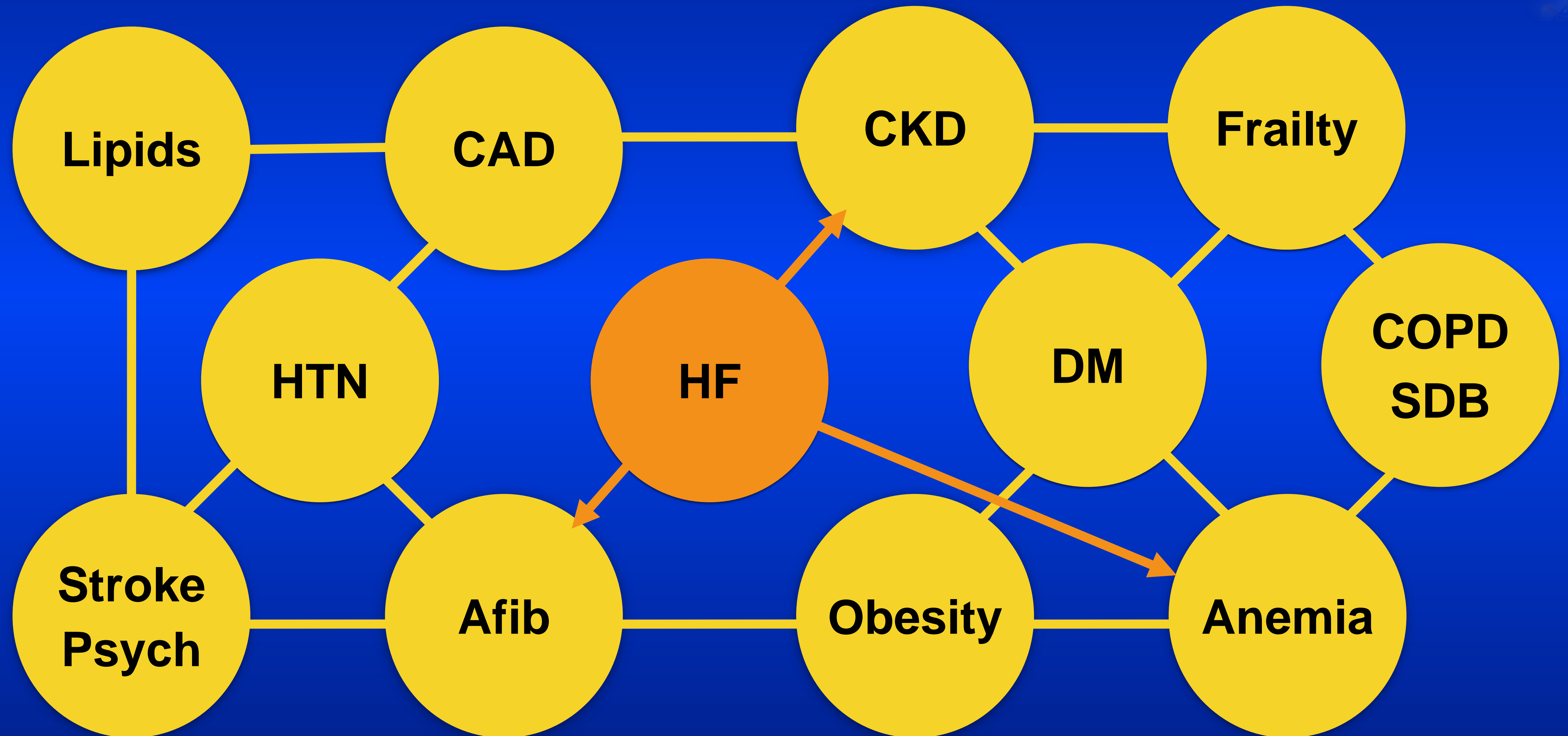
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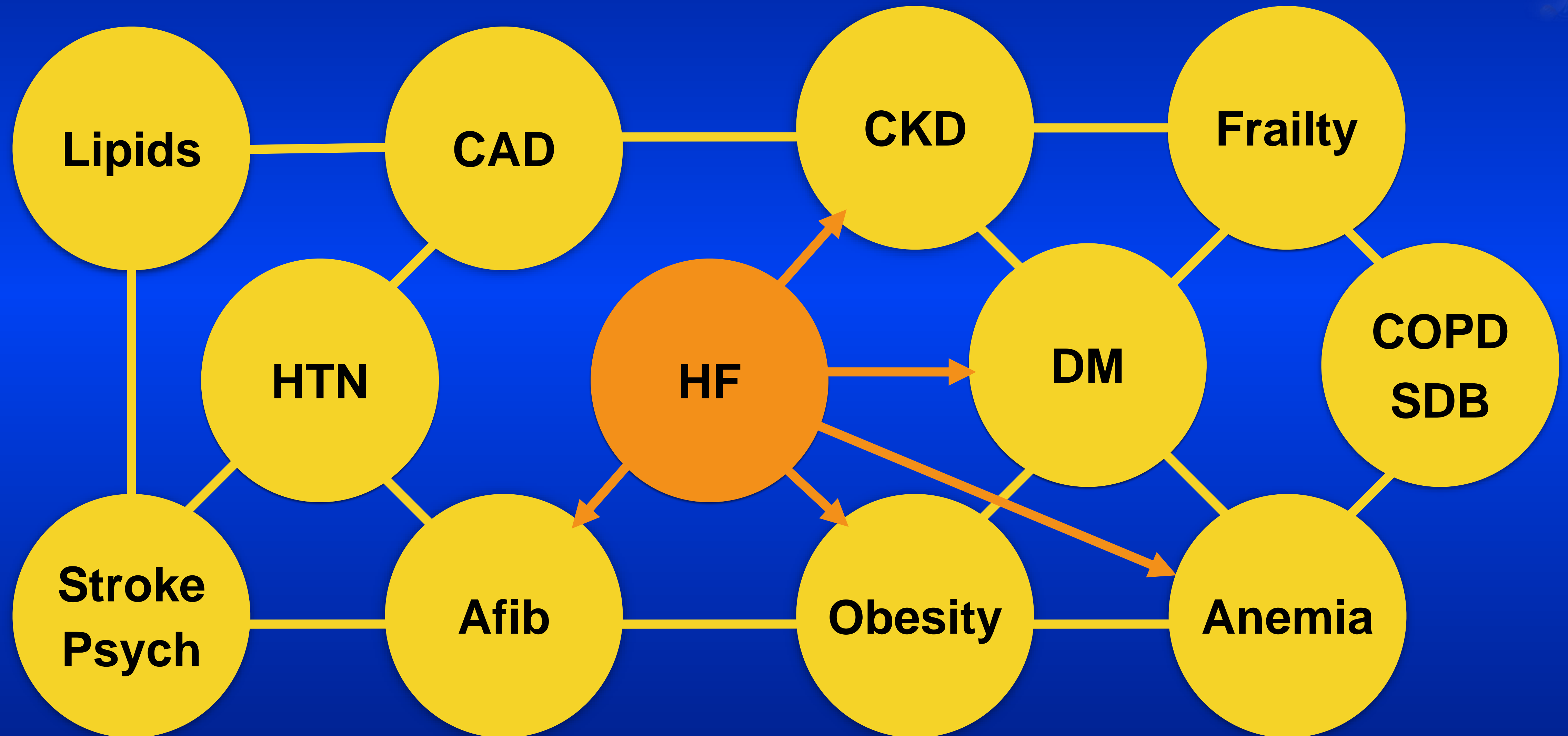
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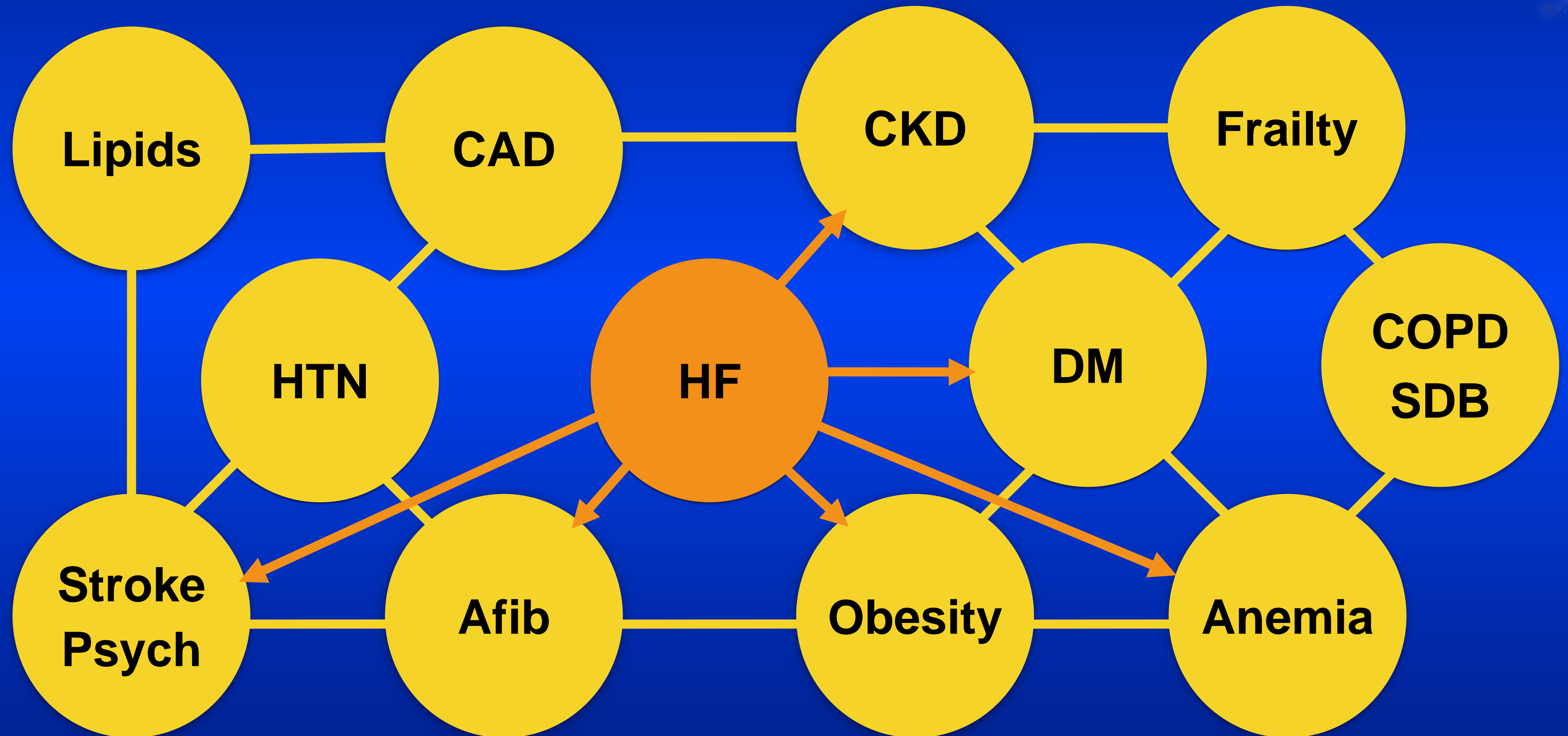
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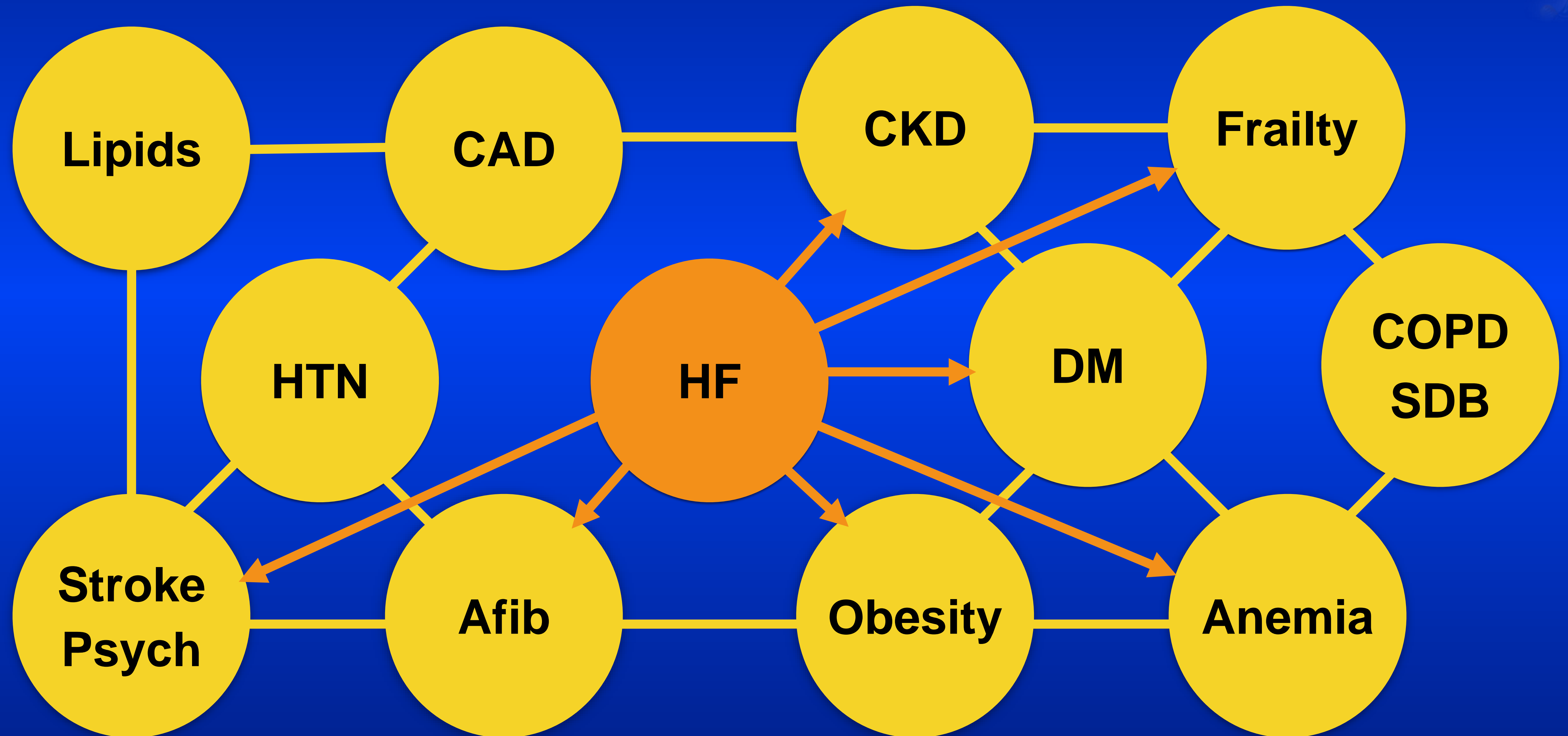
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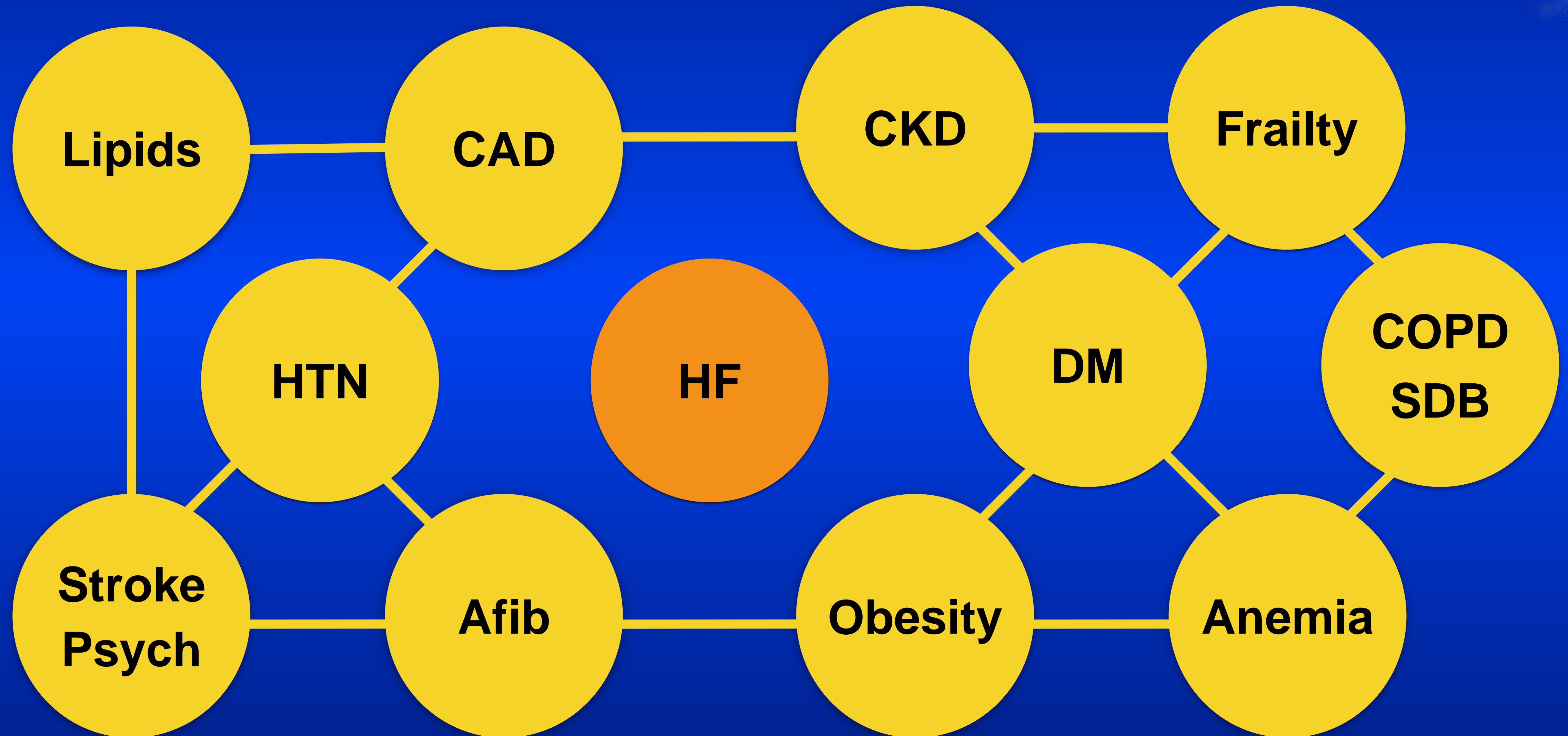
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Impact of Comorbidities



Clinical assessment of HF

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Adherence and response to HF meds

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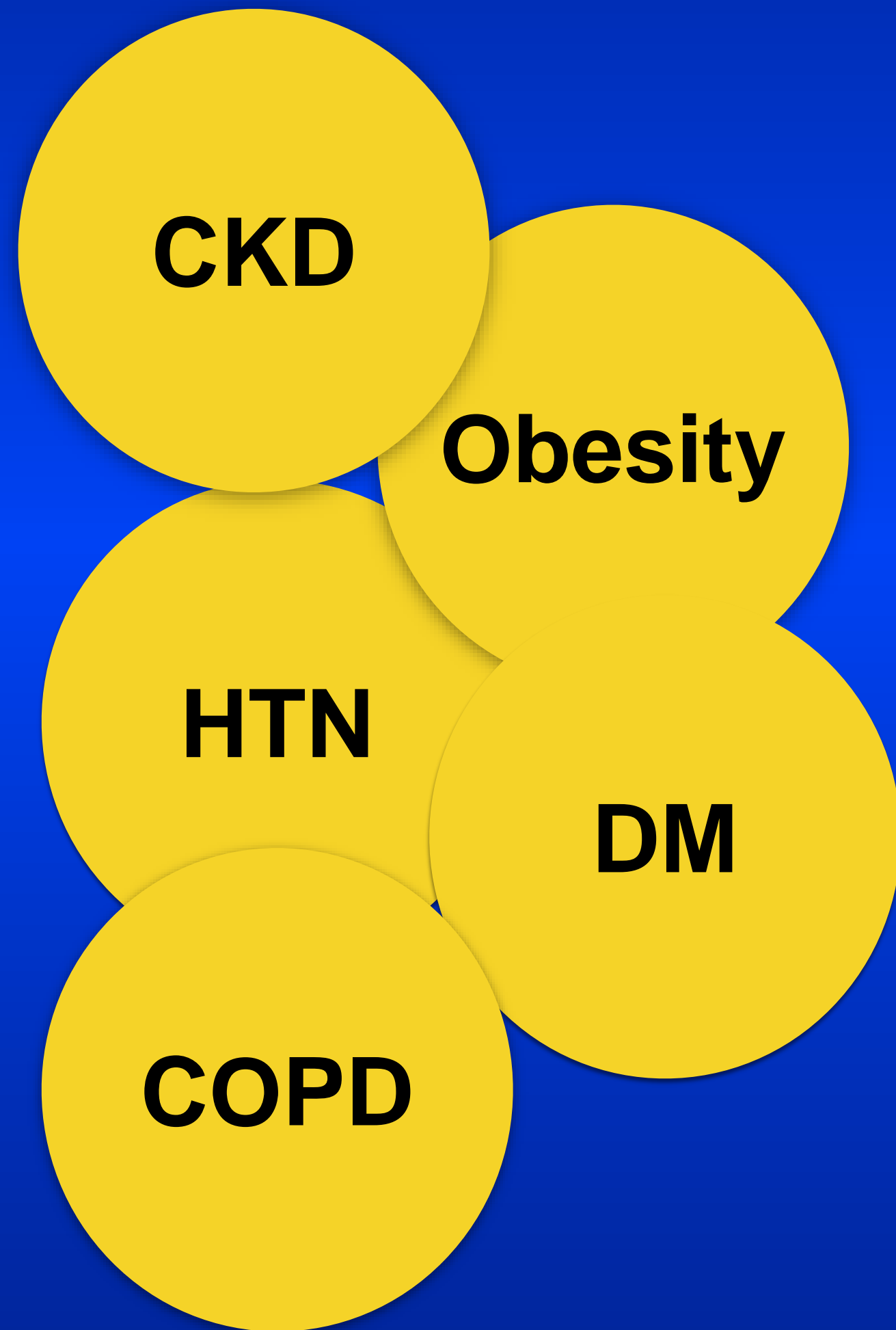
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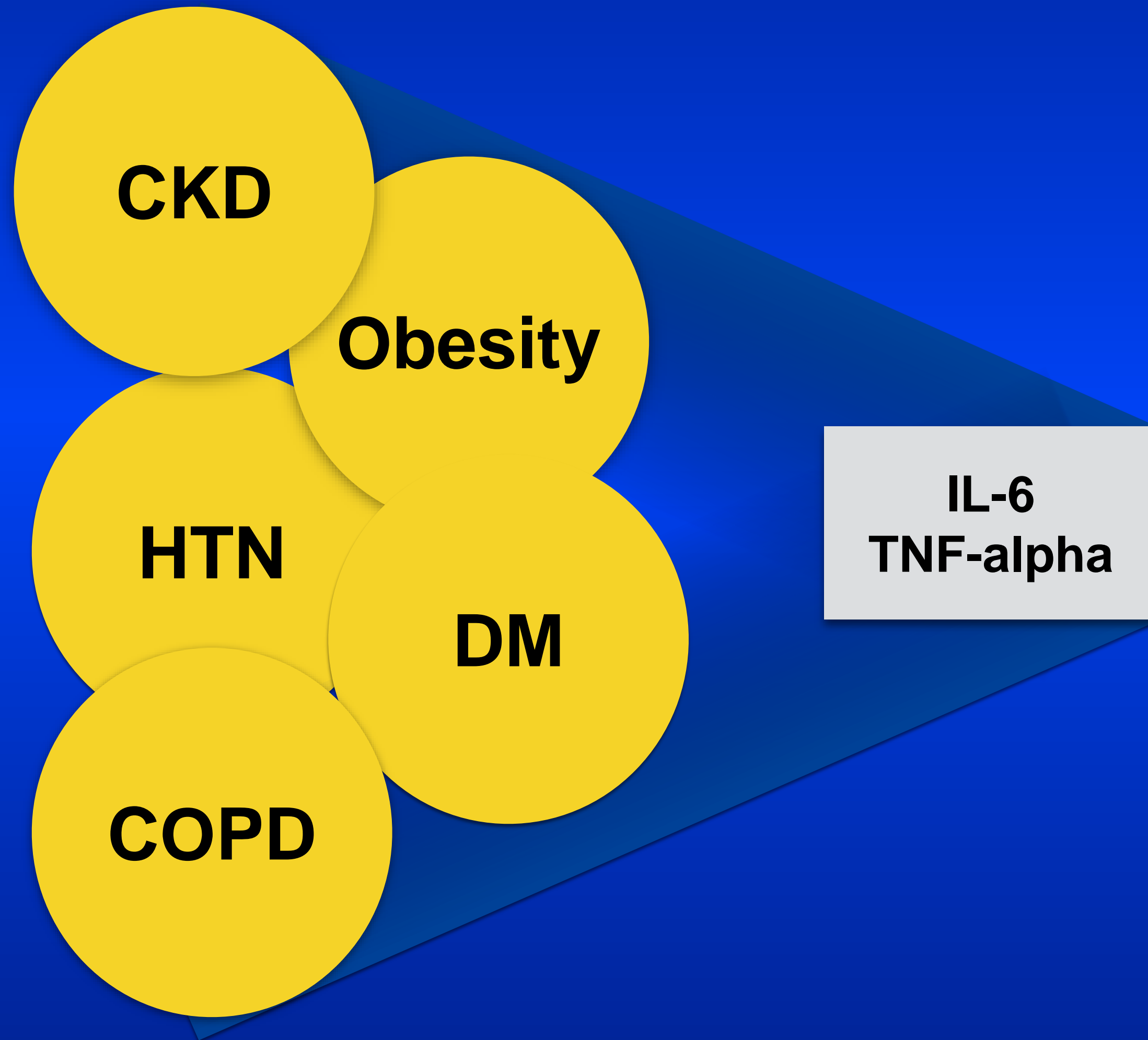
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Development of HF

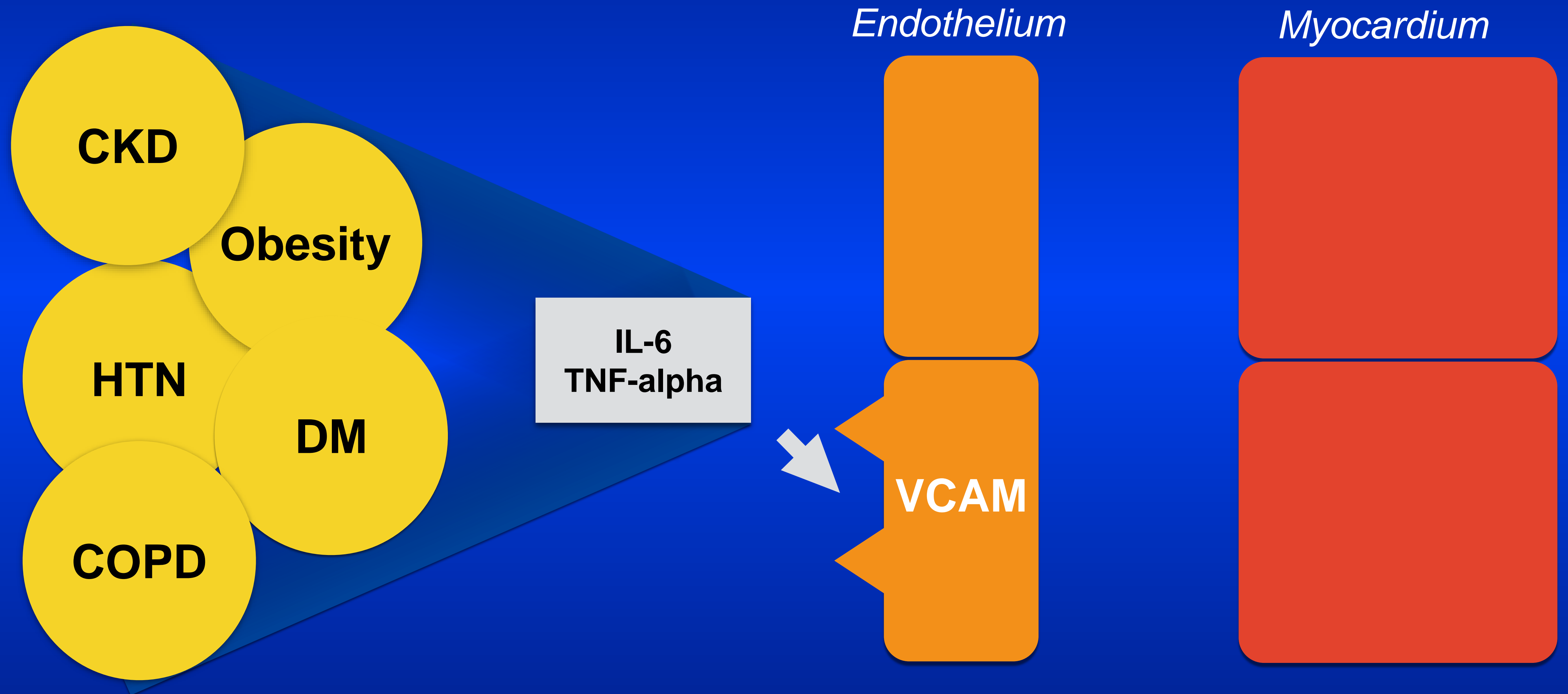
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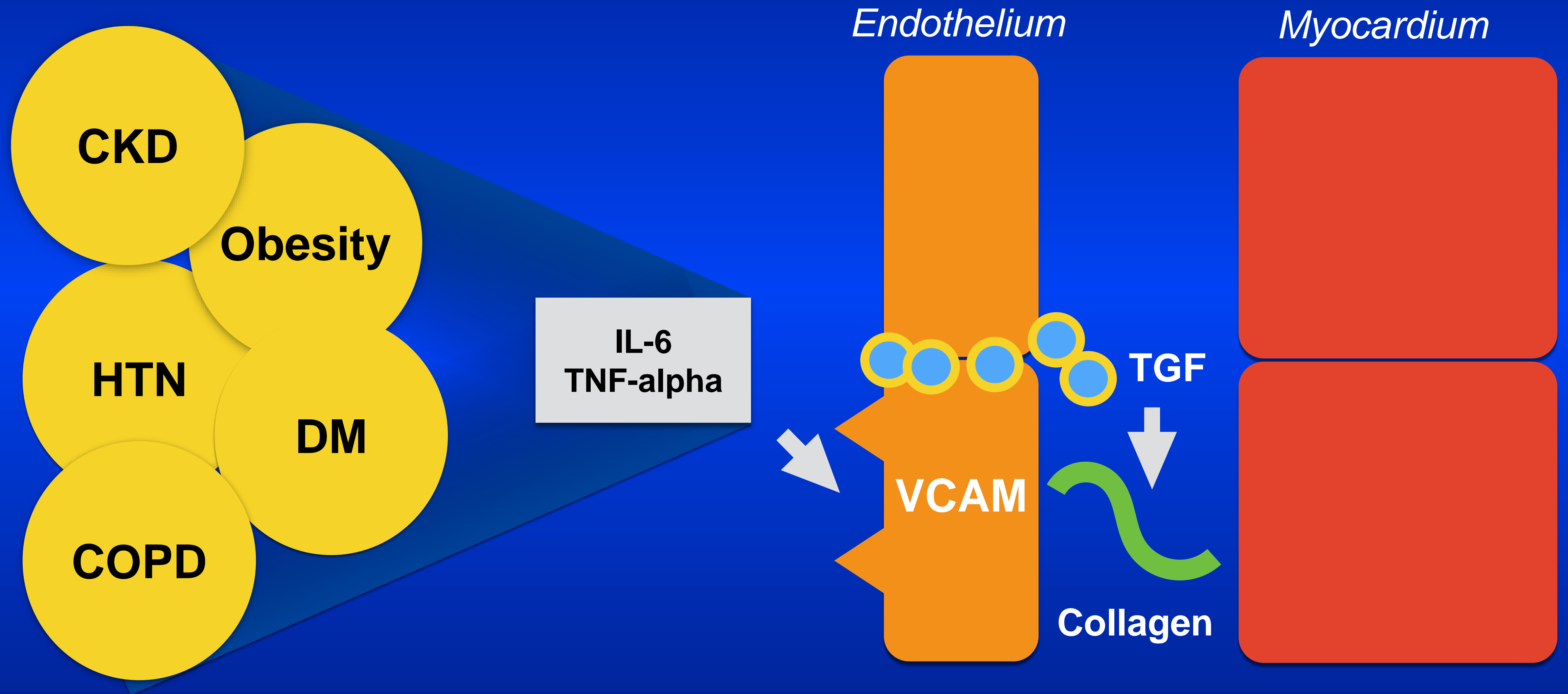
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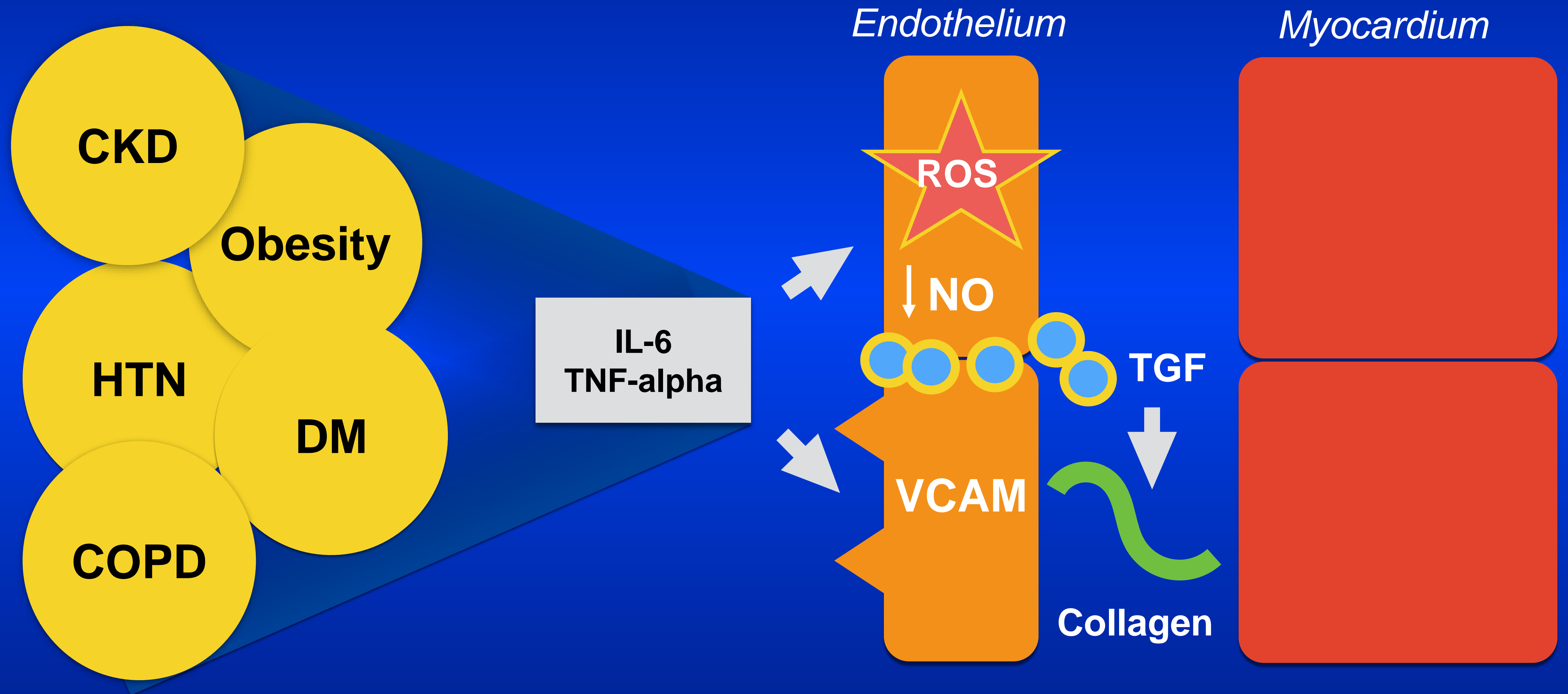
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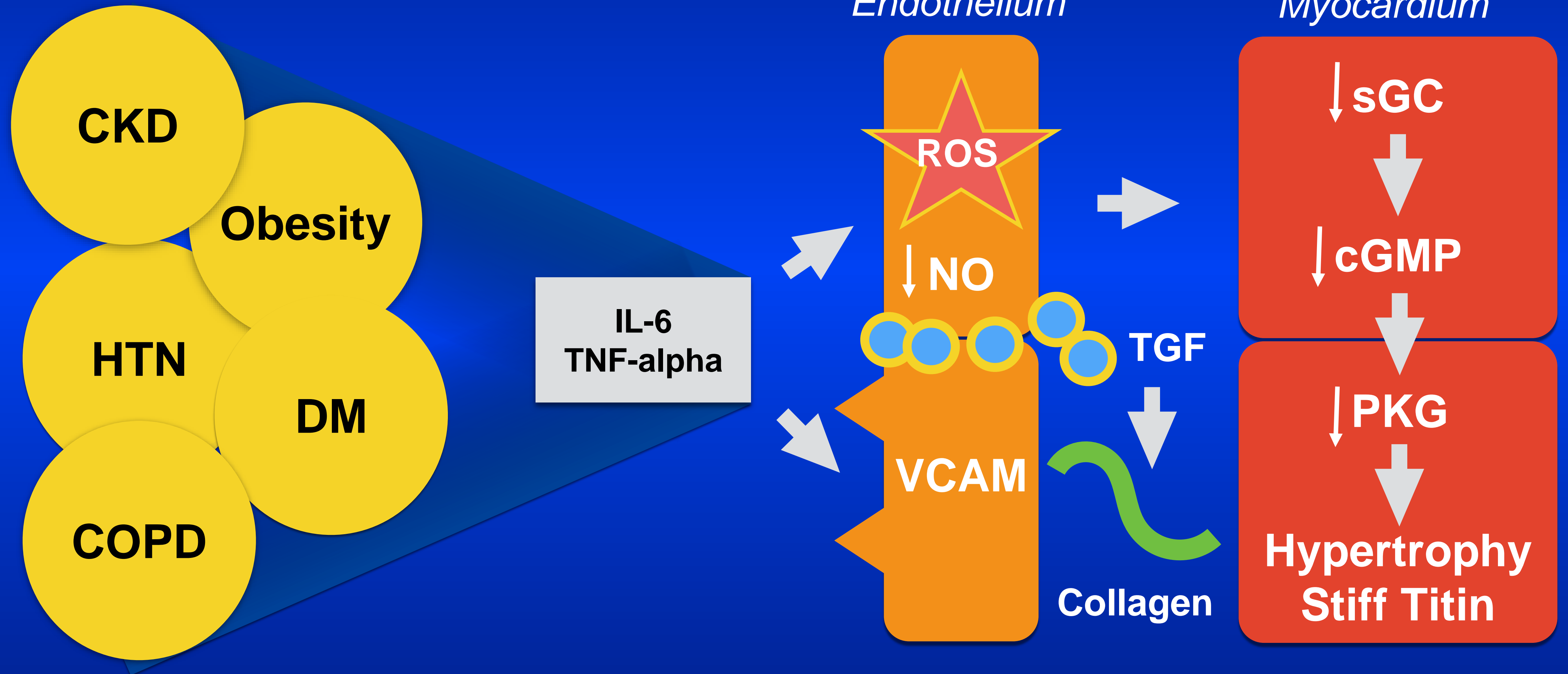
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Global Burden of Obesity



Estimated global burden in 2015*

Adults **603.7 million (12%)**

Children **107.7 million (5%)**

Prevalance in Arabian Gulf

Females **> 35%**

Men **25-29%**

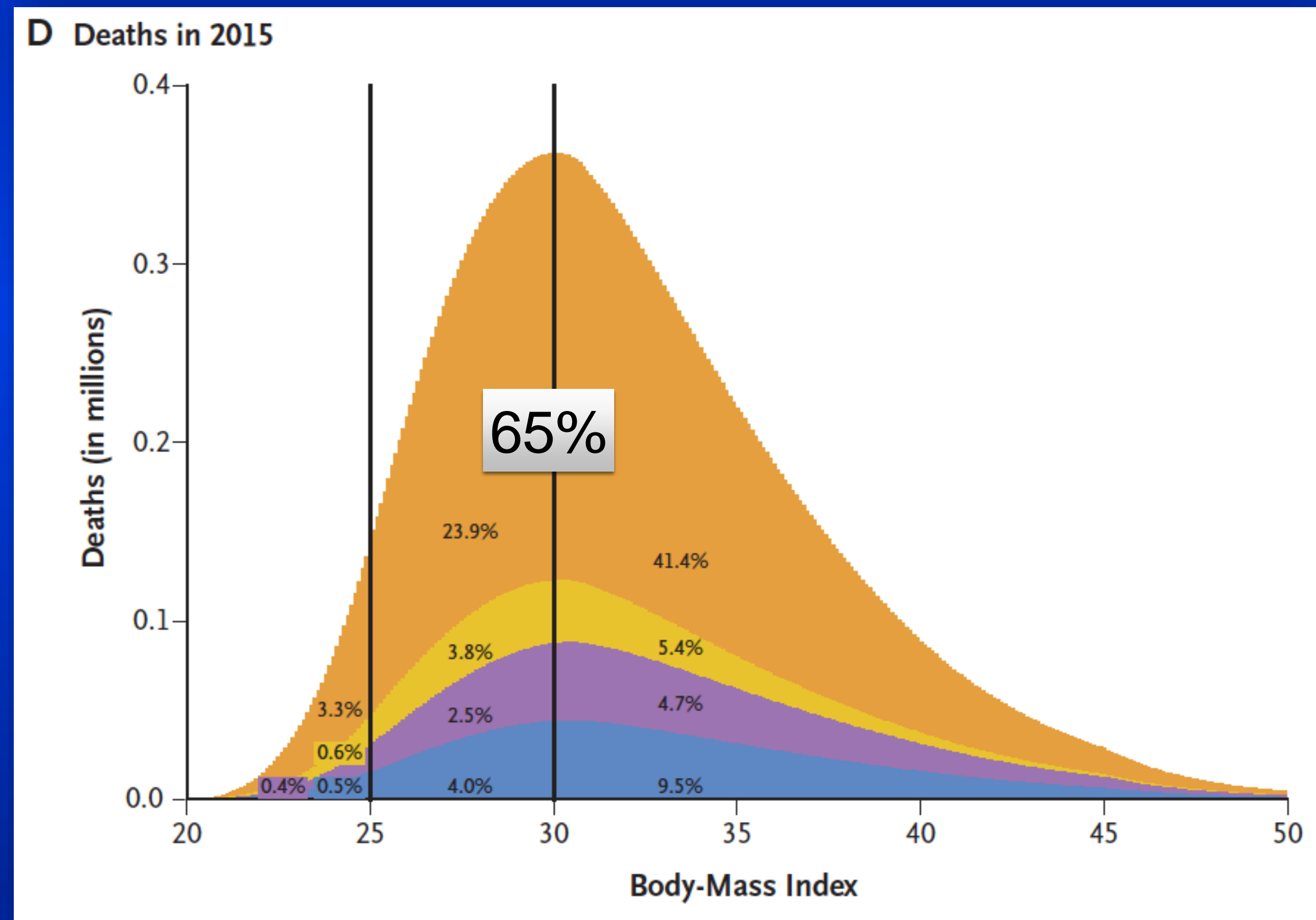
Normal	BMI	18.5 - 24.99 kg/m ²
Overweight	BMI	25-29.99 kg/m ²
Obese	BMI	≥ 30 kg/m ²

*Source: Global Burden of Disease 2015 Obesity Collaborators (N Engl J Med 2017;377:13-27)

Obesity-Associated Mortality



Deaths attributable to high BMI in 2015: 4 million (7.1%)



CV Diseases

Cancers

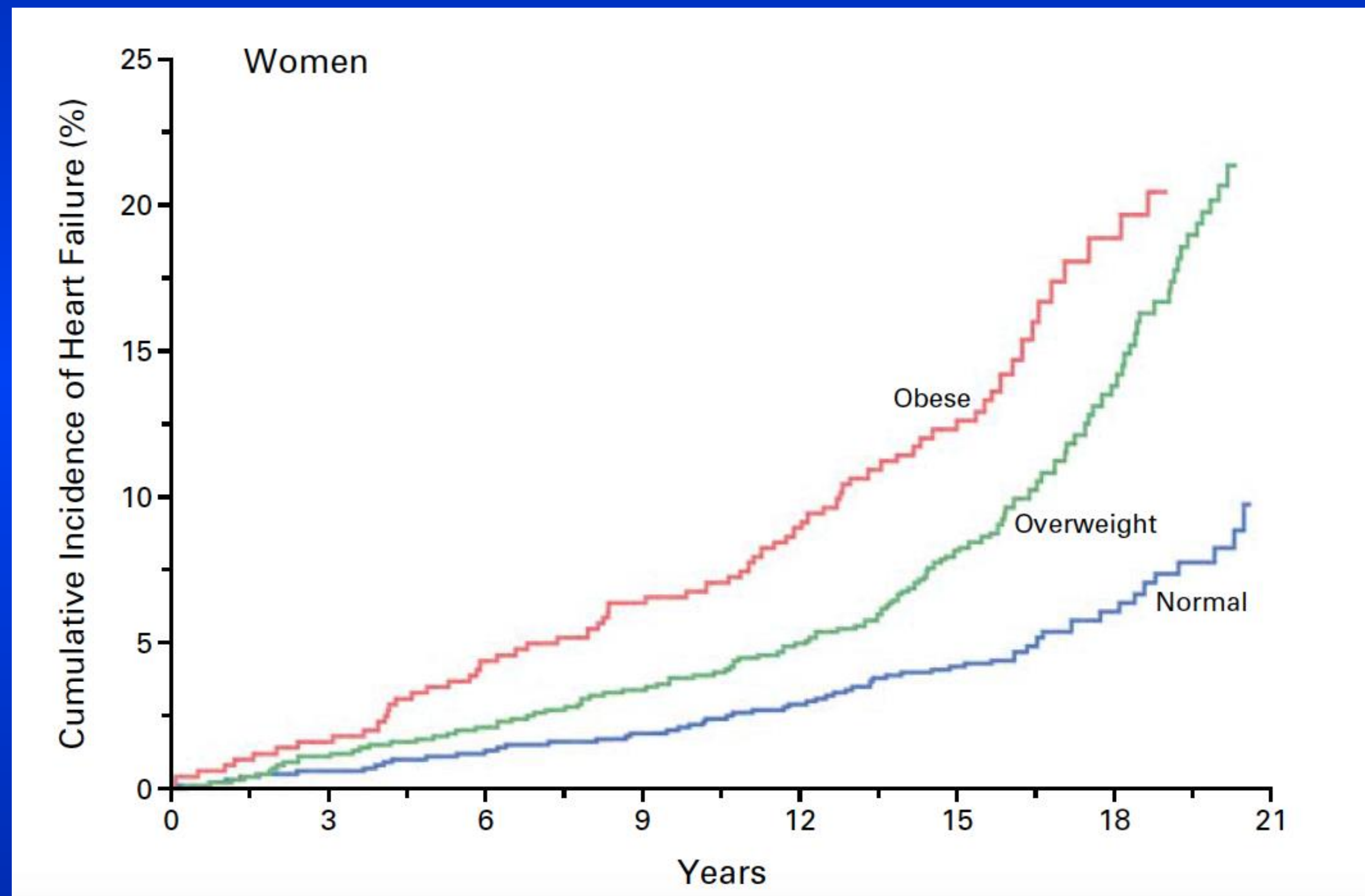
CKD

Diabetes Mellitus

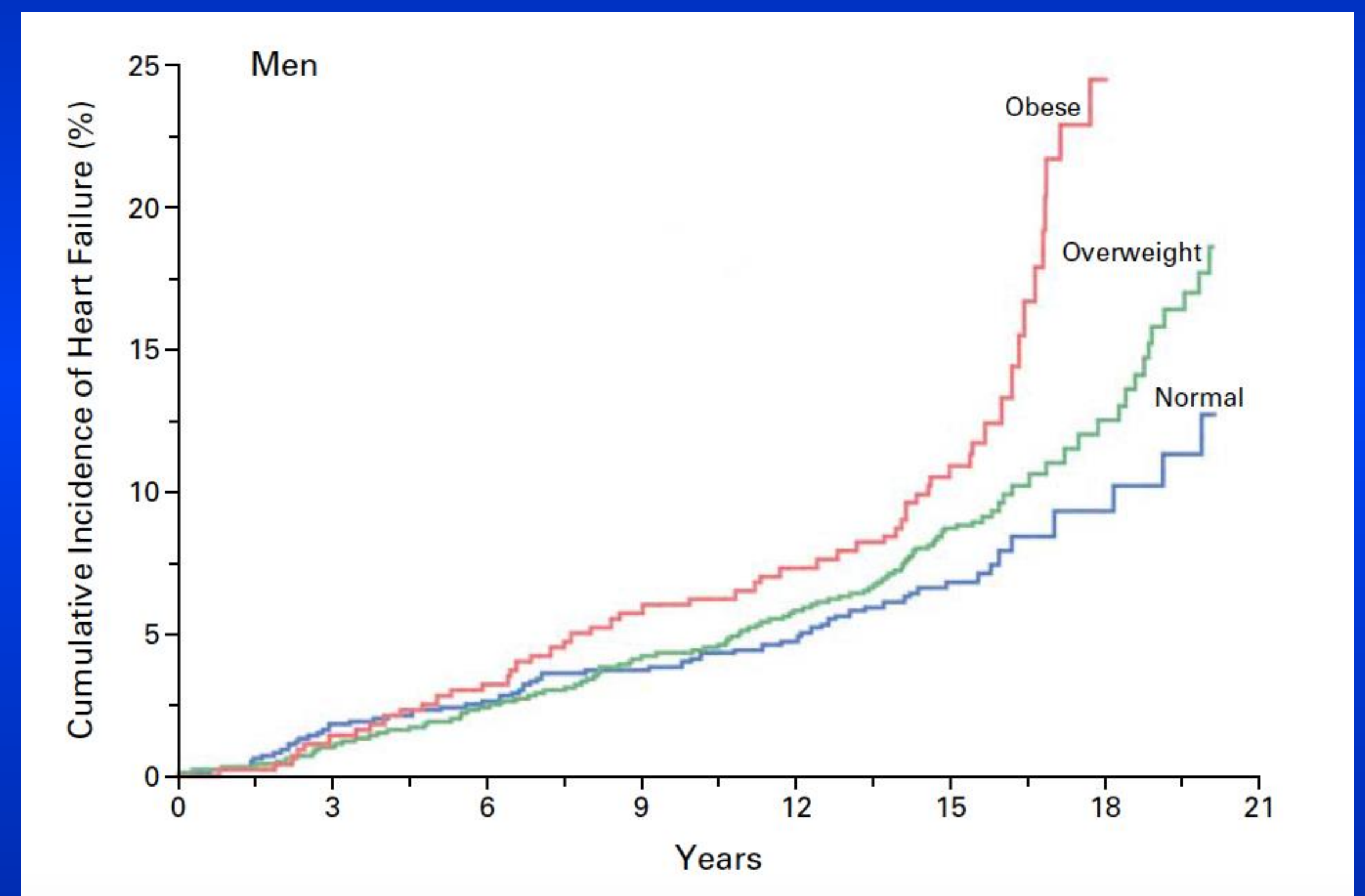
Risk of HF in the Obese Population



Mean follow - up : 14 years (up to 21 years)



Women: 7% risk with each increment of 1 BMI



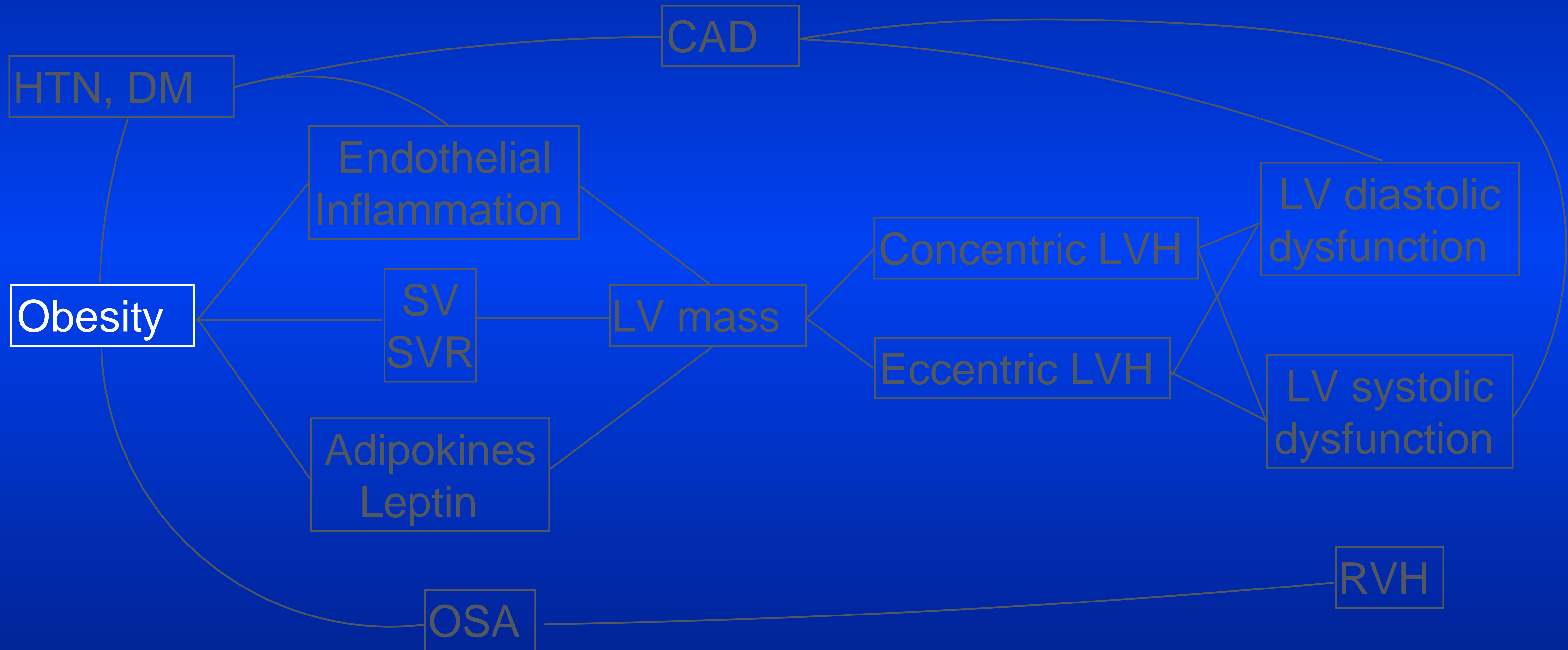
Men: 5% risk with each increment of 1 BMI

Obesity Rates in HF Population

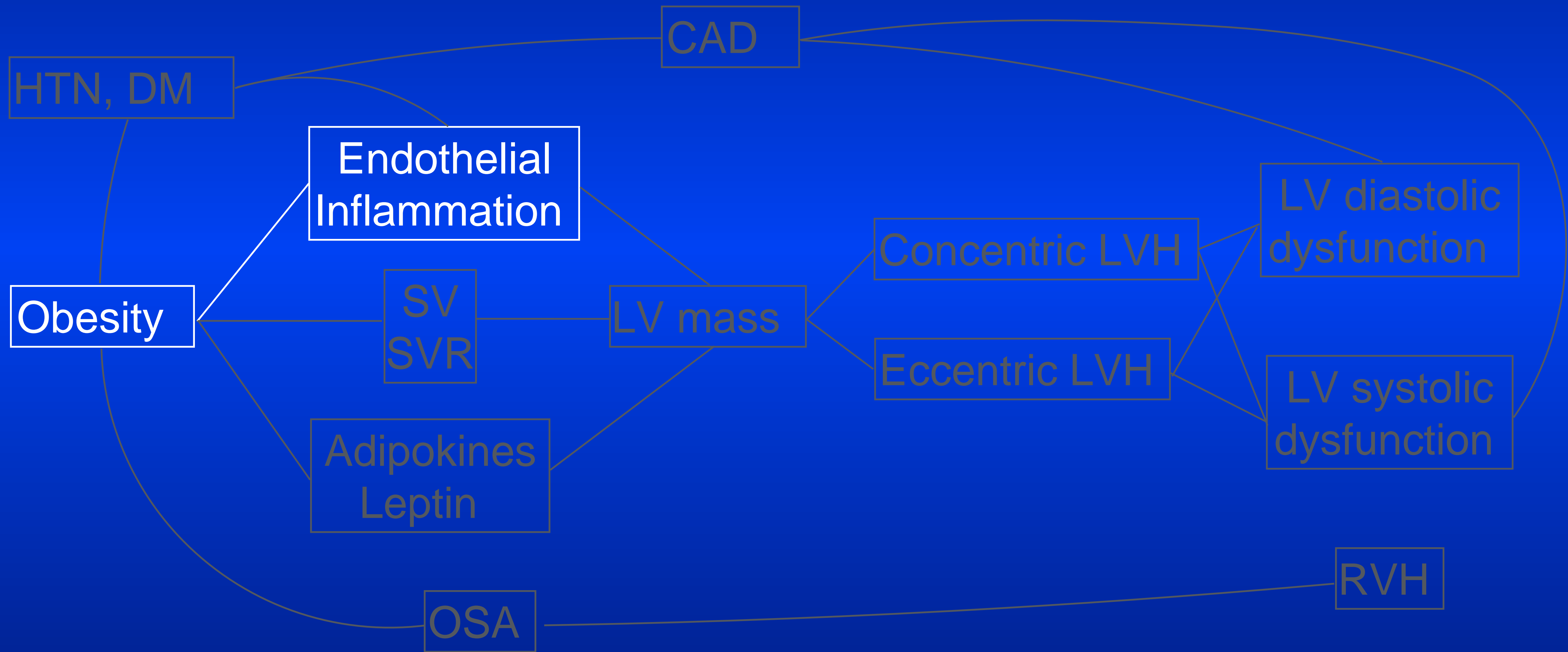


Characteristic	Reduced Ejection Fraction (N=2429)	Preserved Ejection Fraction (N=2167)	P Value
Age (yr)	71.7±12.1	74.4±14.4	<0.001
Male sex (% of patients)	65.4	44.3	<0.001
Body-mass index‡	28.6±7.0	29.7±7.8	0.002
Obesity (% of patients)‡§	35.5	41.4	0.007

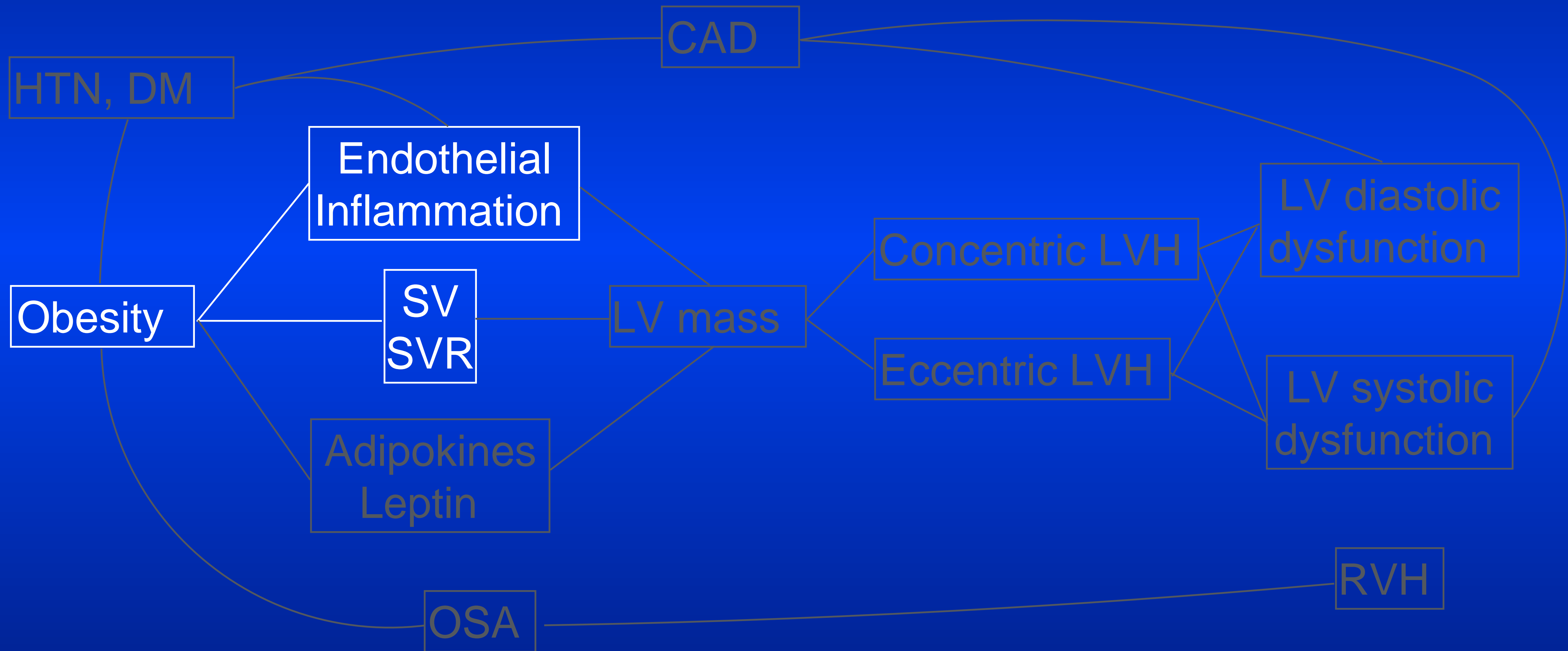
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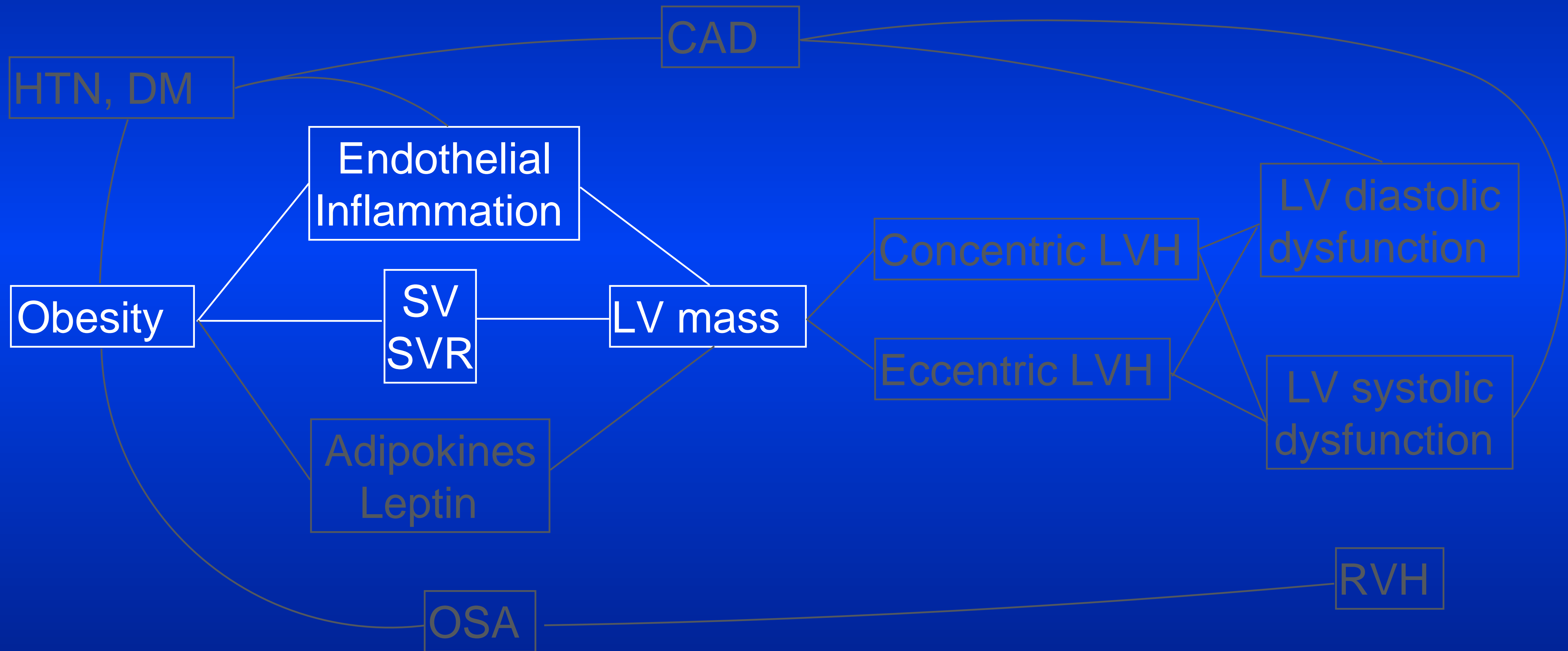
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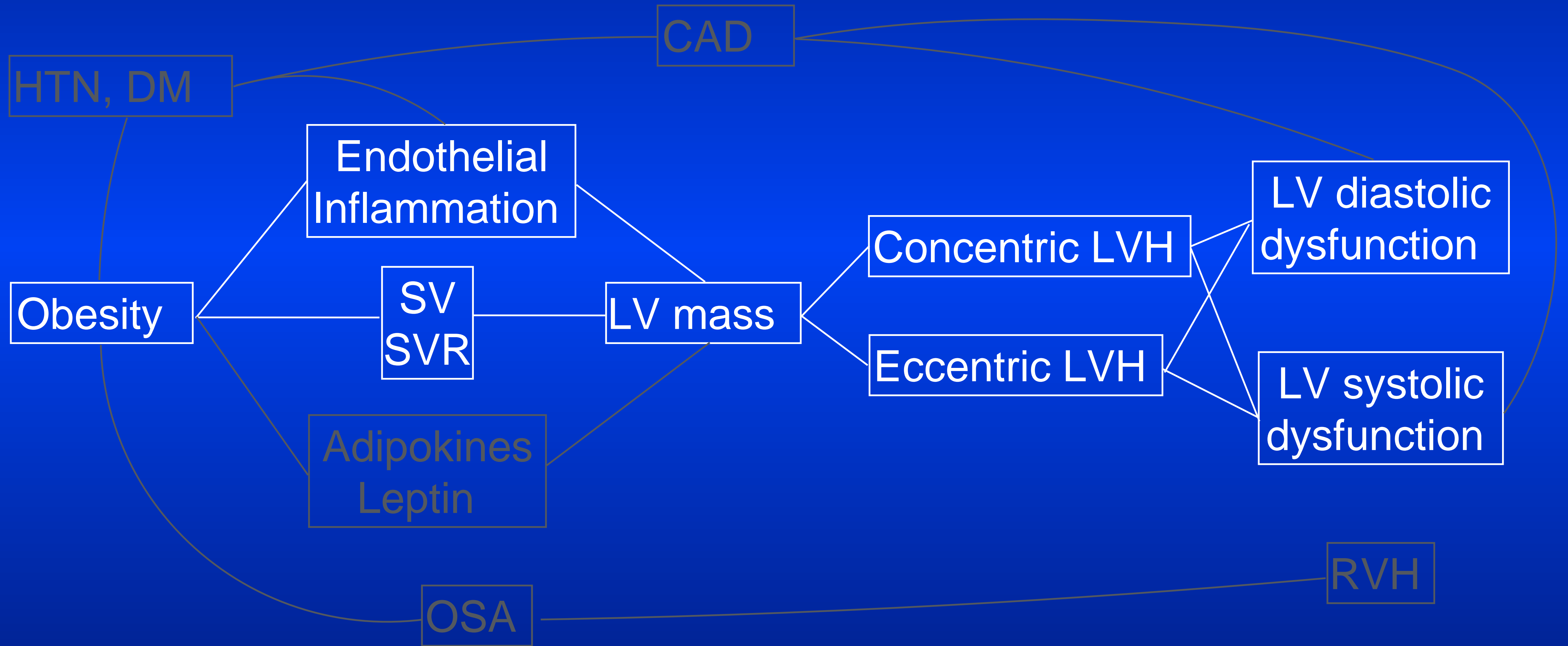
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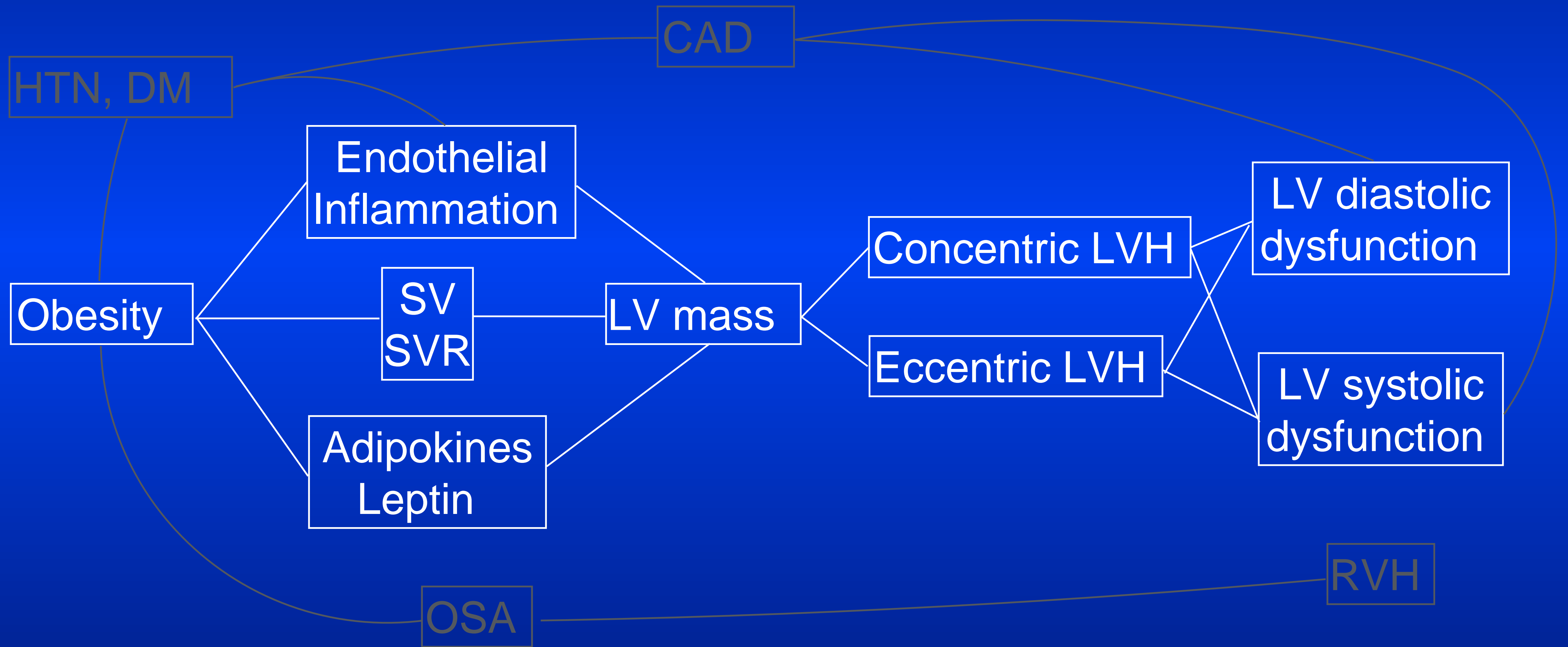
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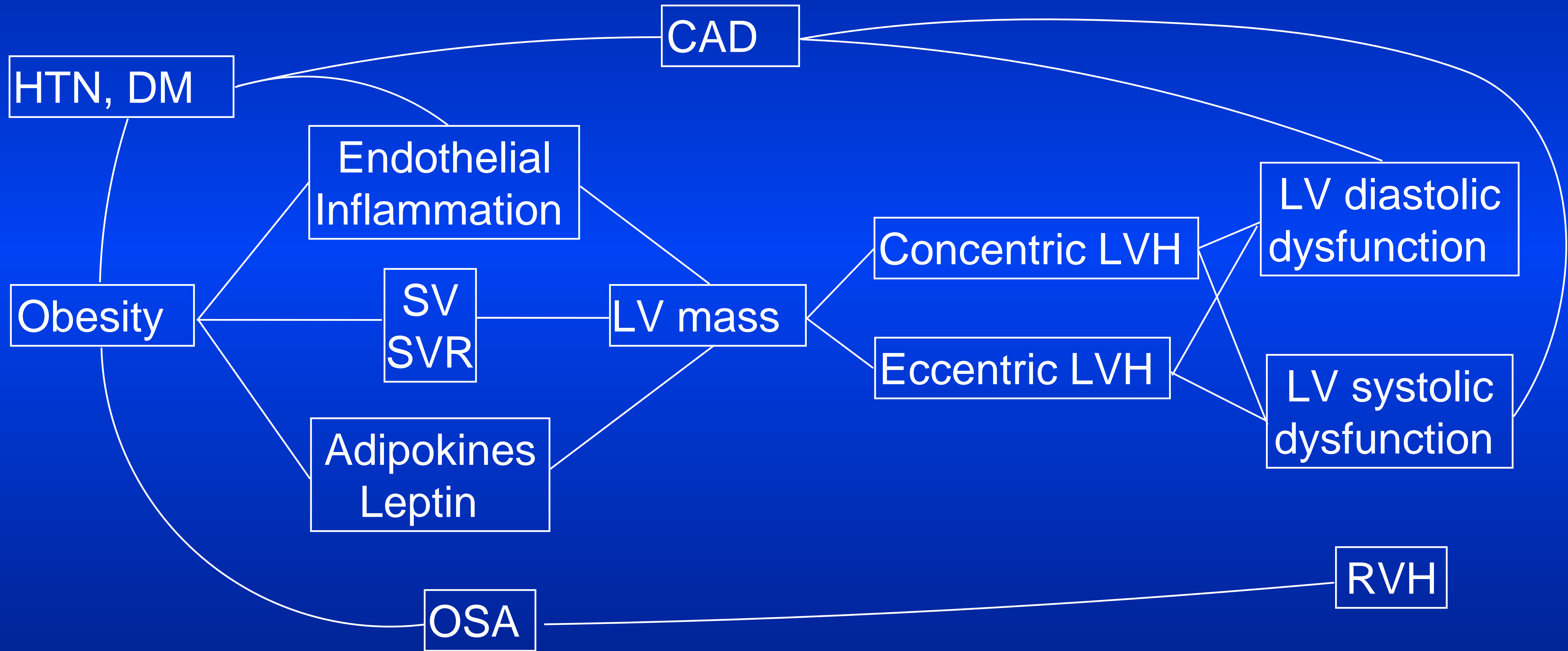
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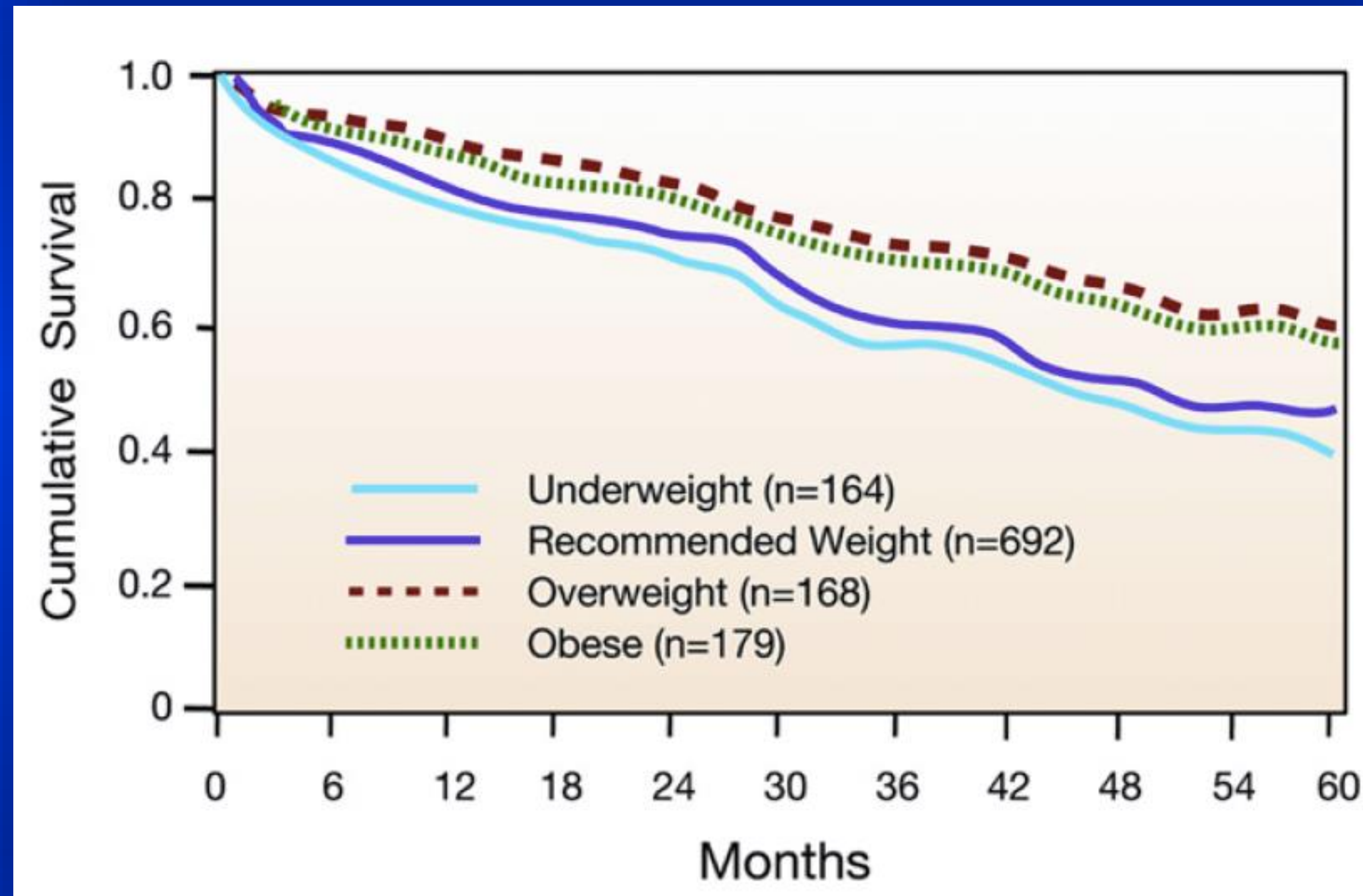
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Obesity and HF: The Paradox



n = 1203

Obesity and HF: Weight Loss Therapy



Obesity and HF: Weight Loss Therapy



- Retrospective analysis of bariatric surgery at the Cleveland Clinic (2004-2013)

	Active comparator	Clinical comparison group	Echo comparison group
N	42	2588	38
Patients	LVEF < 50% (EF 38%, BMI 47%, MI 24%)	Non-HF	HF non surgical (BMI 38)

Obesity and HF: Weight Loss Therapy



	N = 42	N = 2588	p
% Weight loss	22.6 ± 12	28.1 ± 11	0.011
Post op HF	4 (10%)	4 (0.2%)	< 0.001
Post op MI	1 (2%)	1 (0.04%)	0.032
1 year mortality	0 (0%)	27 (1%)	NS

- Post op LVEF (+5.1%, p 0.005 vs. +3.4%, p = 0.052)
- 11/47 (23%) LVEF > 10%

Obesity and HF: Guideline Recommendations



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- **ESC 2016 HF Guidelines:**

Weight loss if BMI \geq 35 for symptom relief and risk factor control

No prospective data on safety or benefit of weight loss

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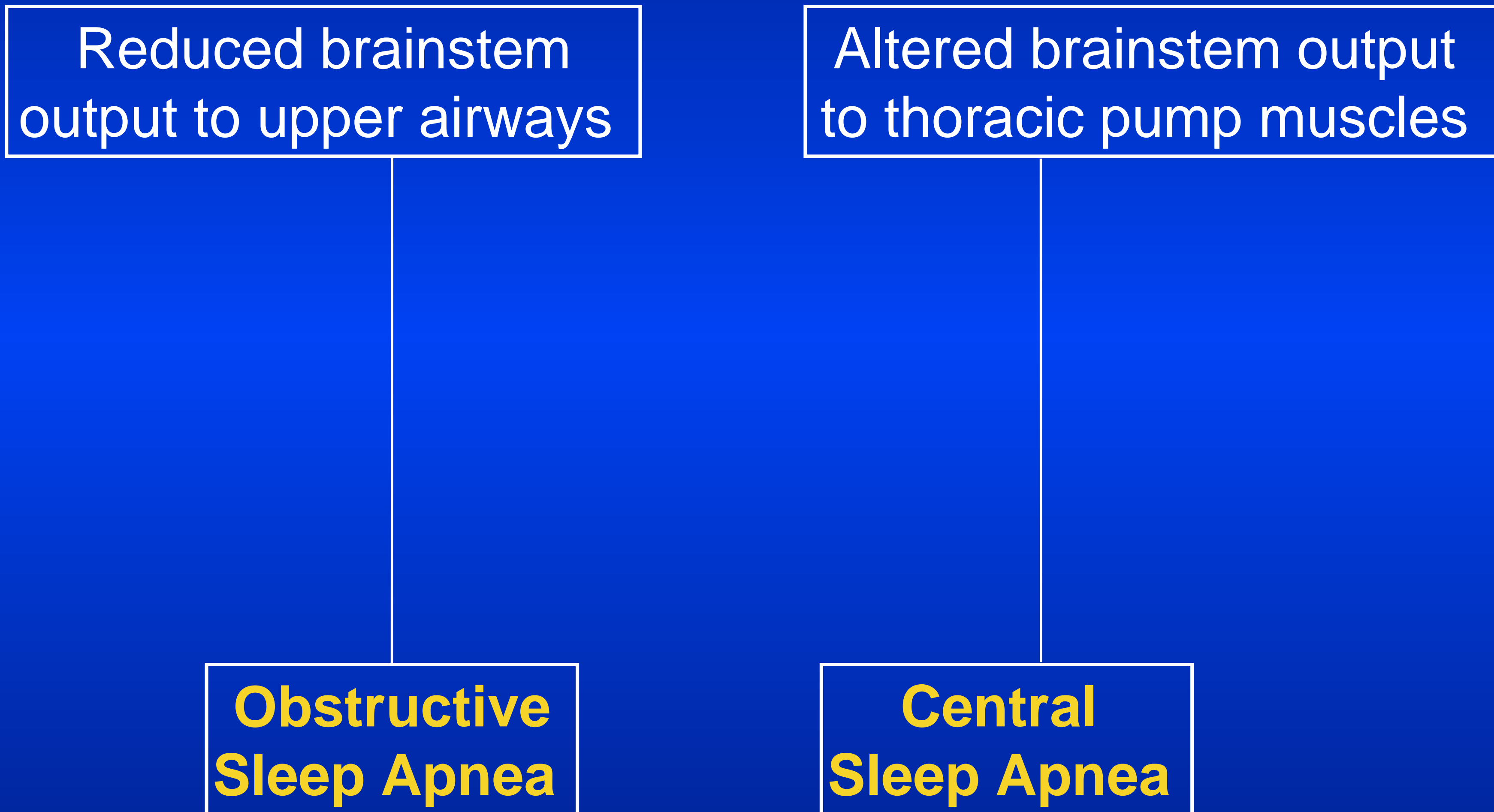
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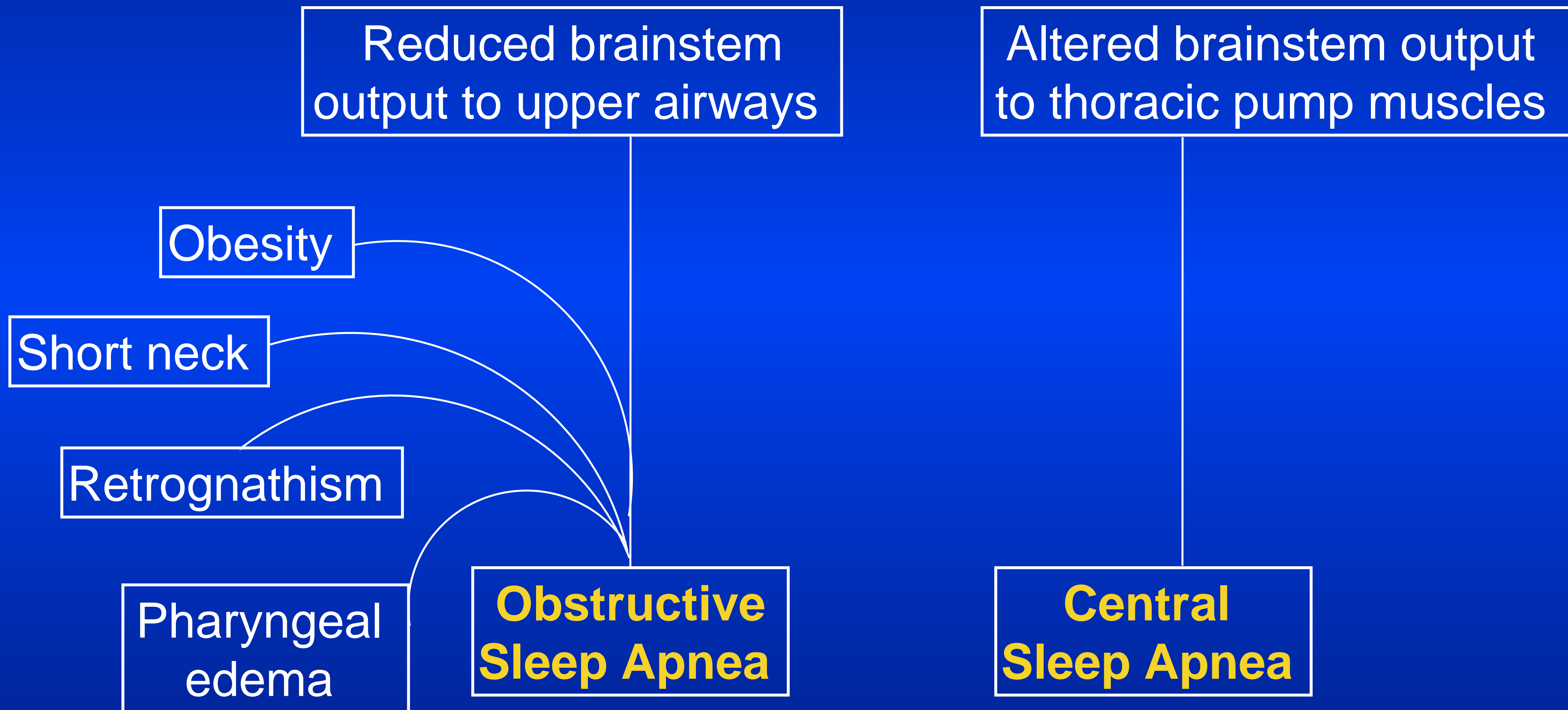
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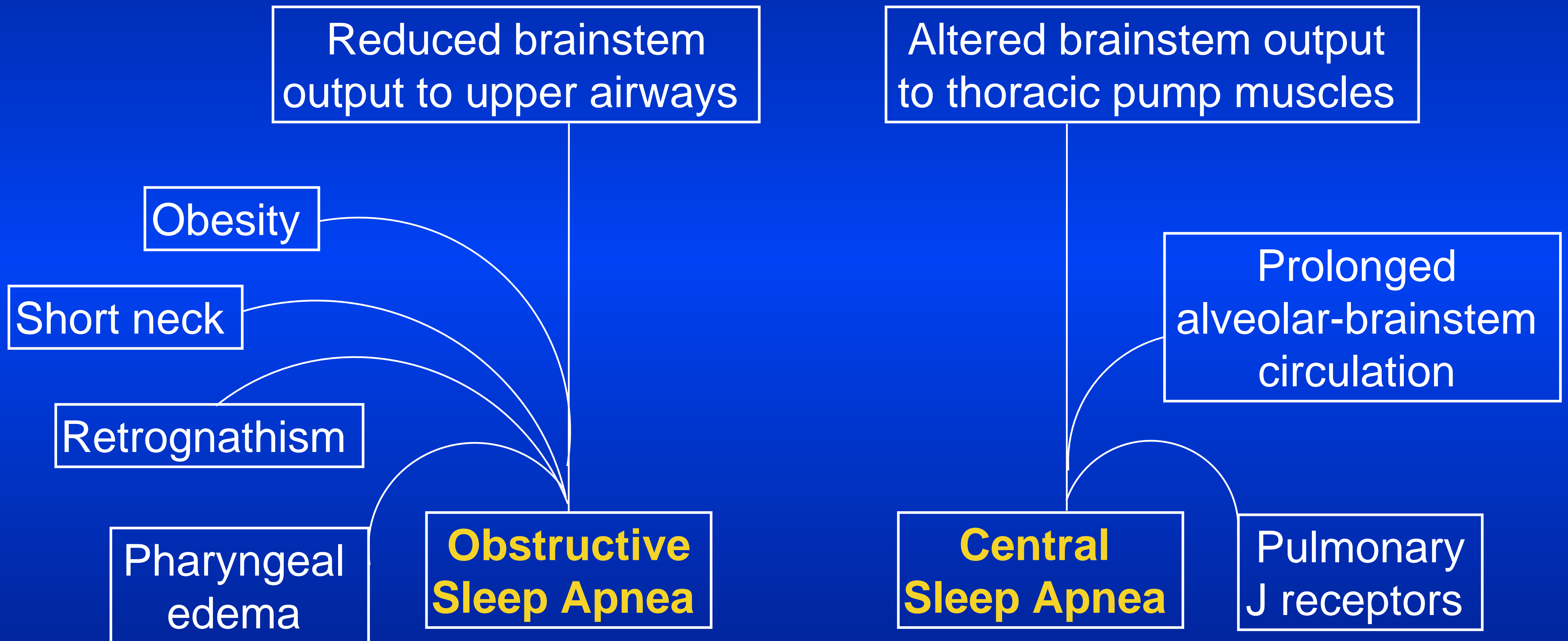
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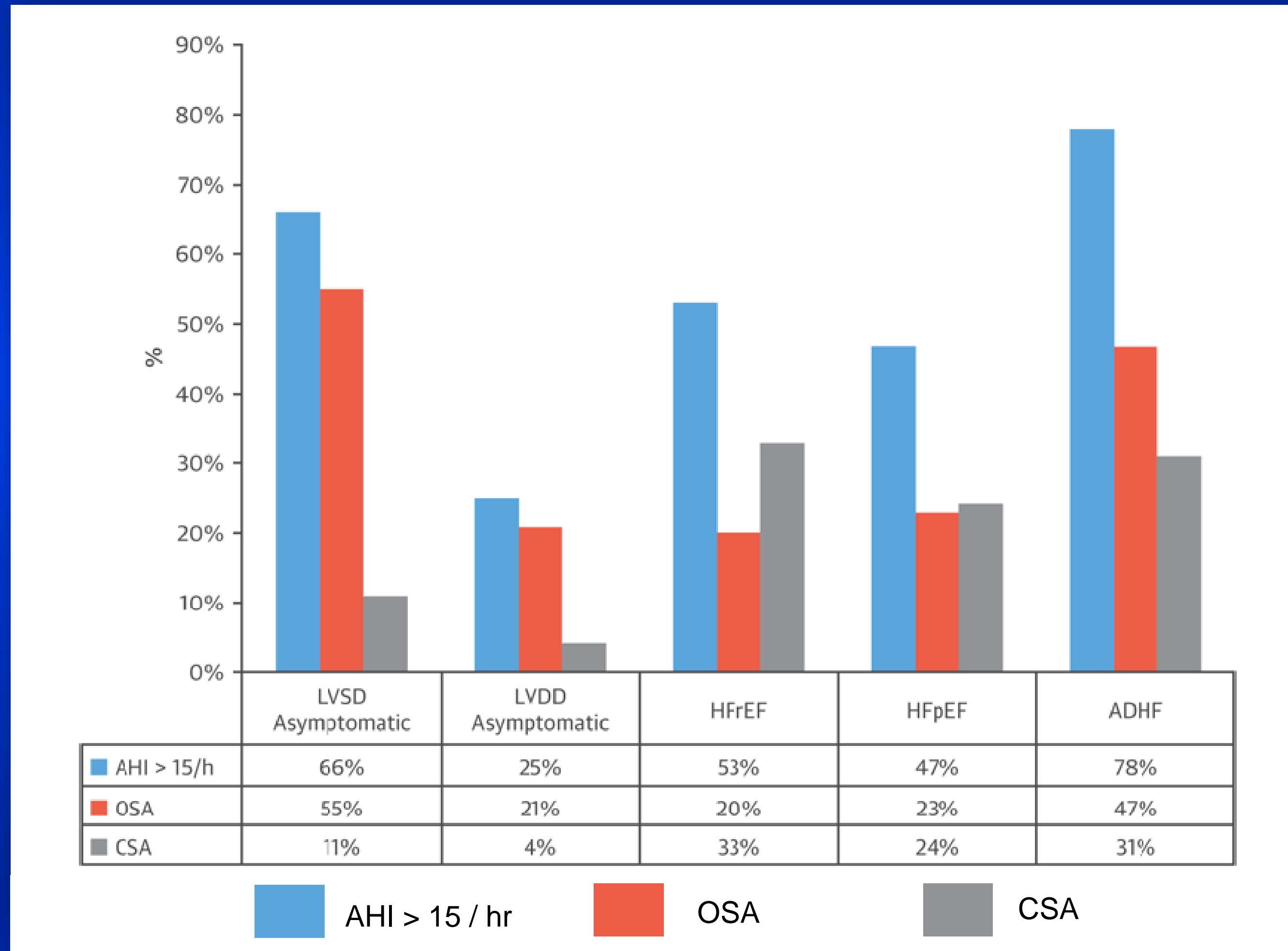
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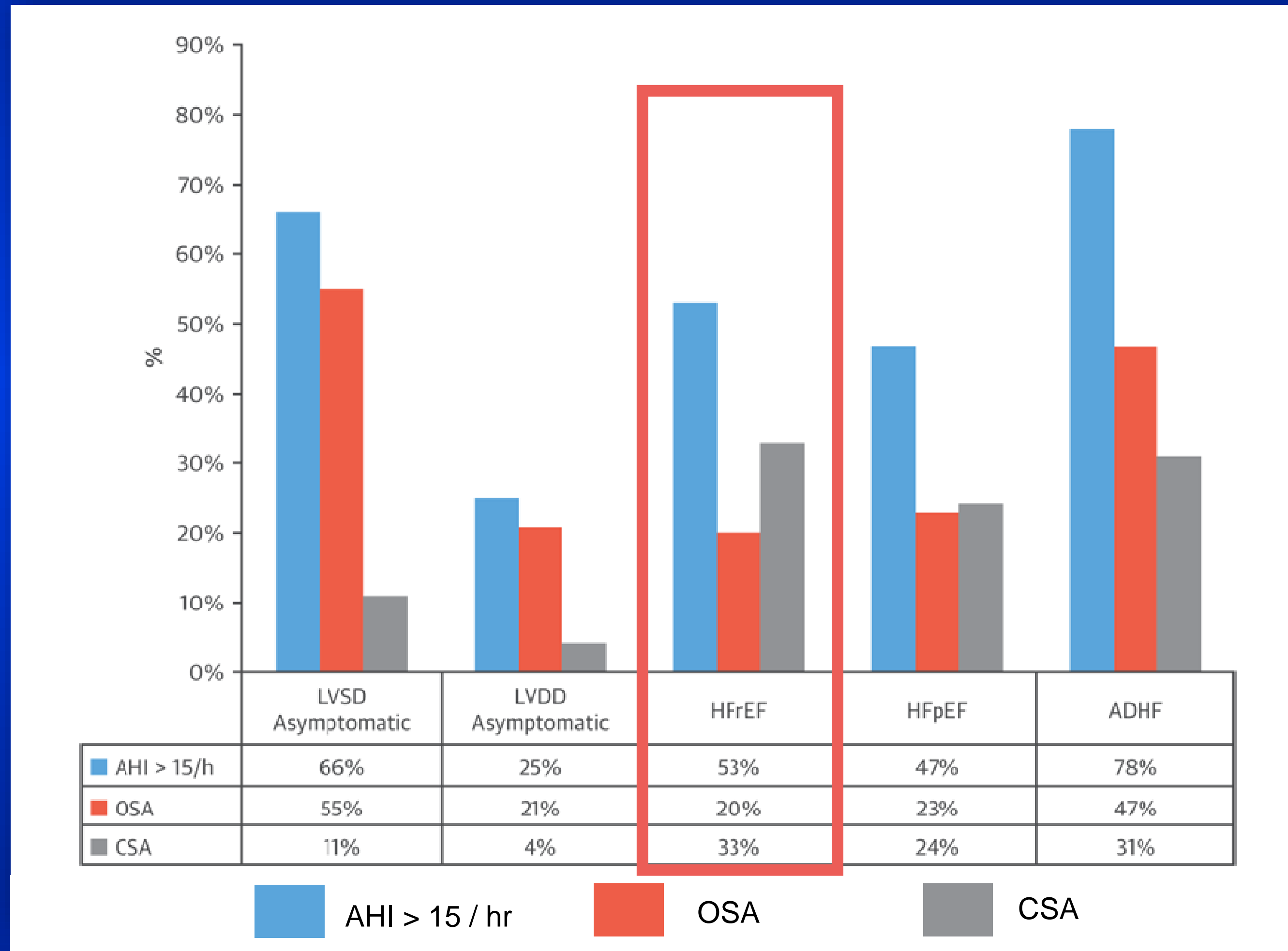
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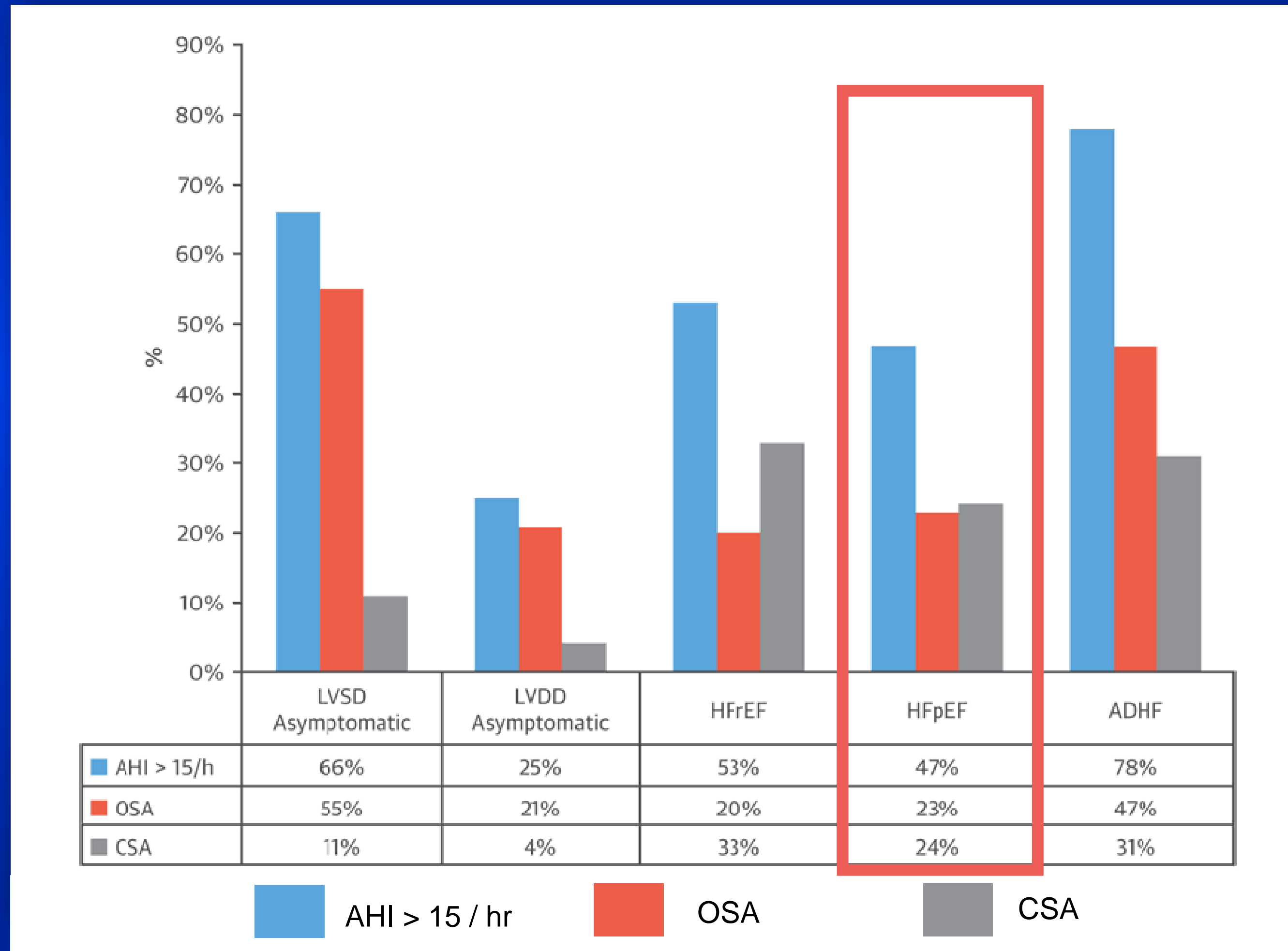
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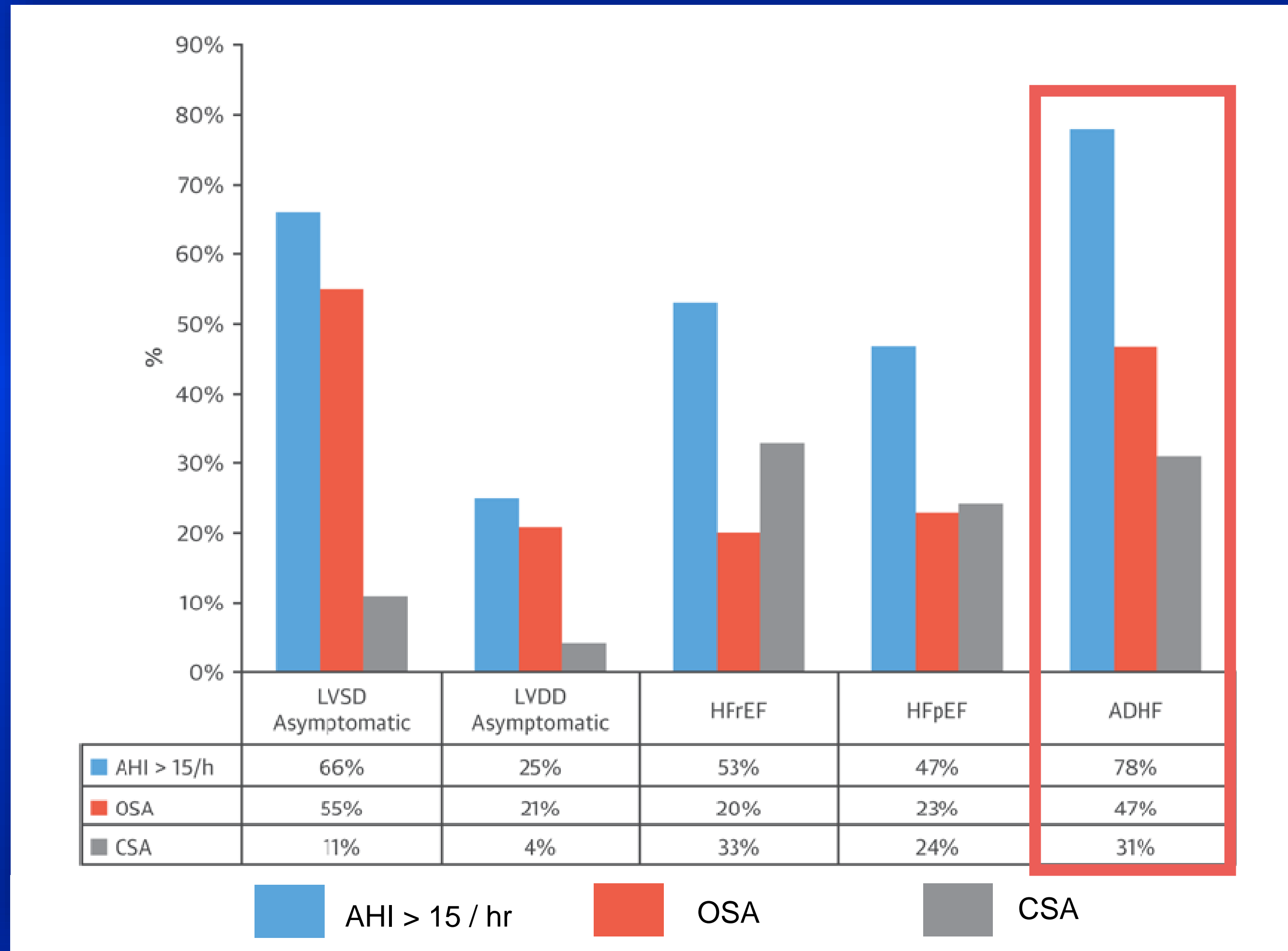
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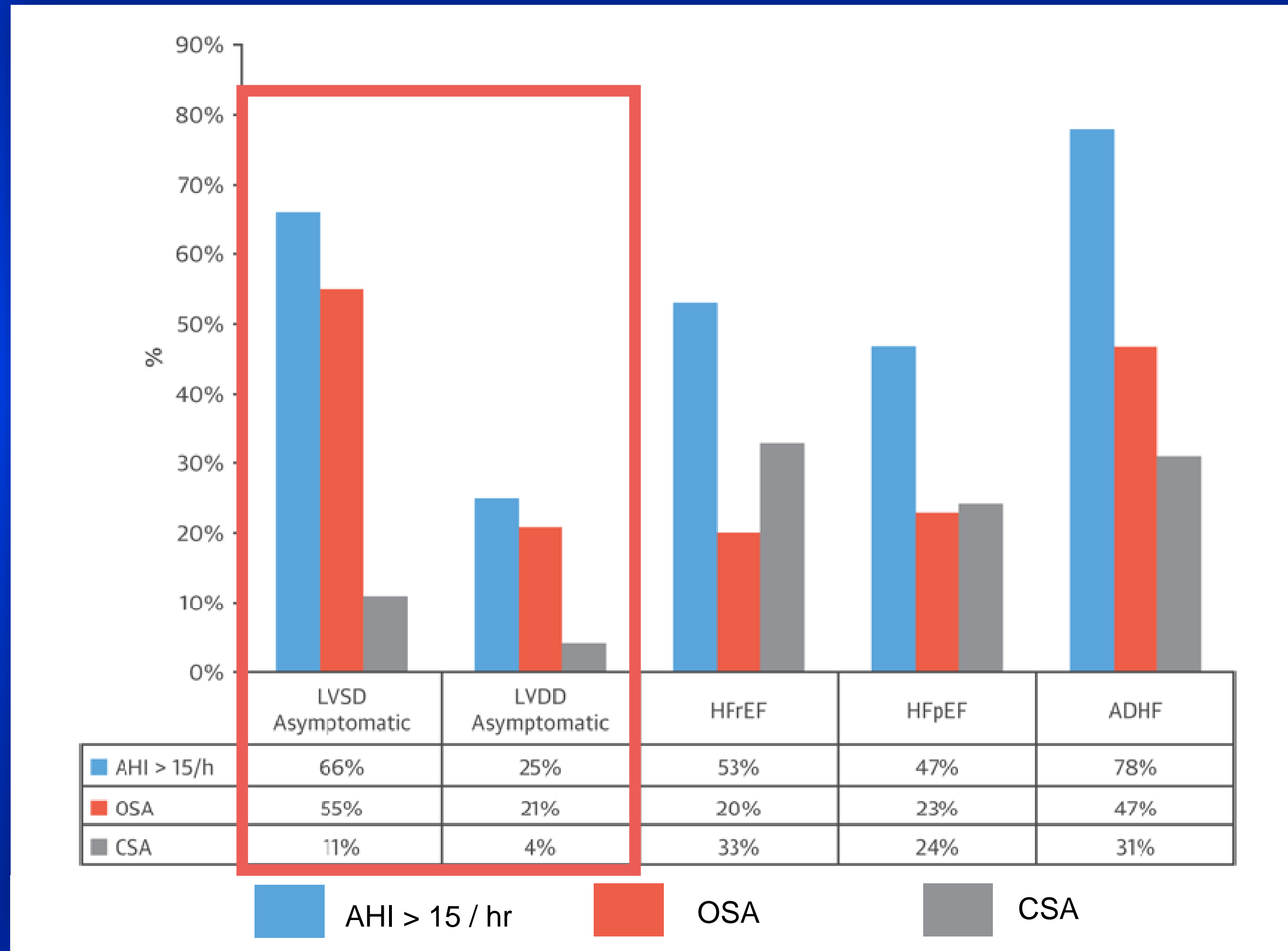
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CV Effects of OSA and CSA



Intermittent hypoxemia / reoxygenation

Decreased parasympathetic and increased sympathetic activity

Large negative intrathoracic pressure swings

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Intermittent hypoxemia / reoxygenation

(Oxidative stress, inflammation, pulm vasoconstriction)

Decreased parasympathetic and increased sympathetic activity

(Elevated BP, HR, arrhythmia risk)

Large negative intrathoracic pressure swings

(chamber overload, afterload)

OSA Therapy: CPAP in Secondary Prevention

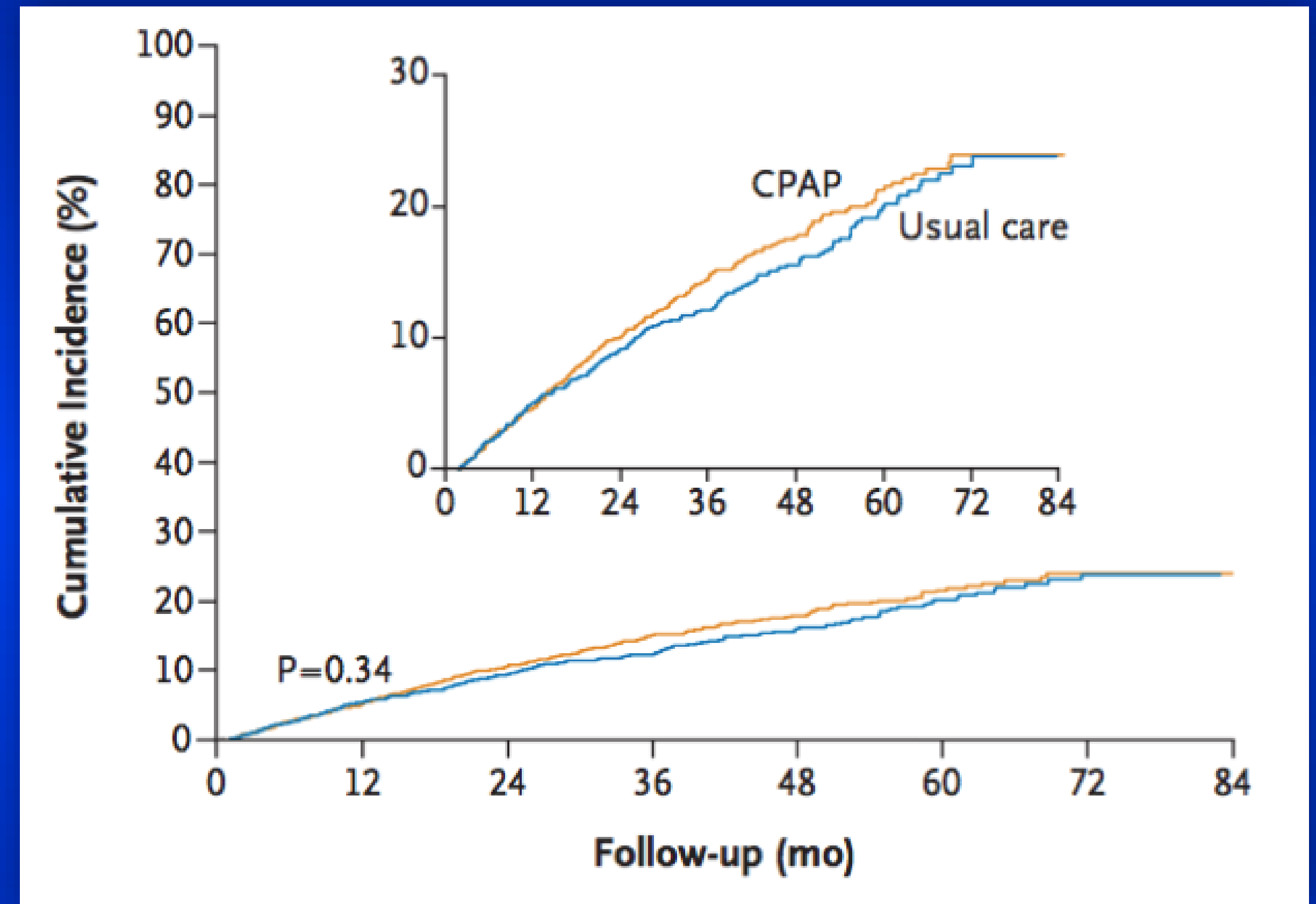
SAVE Trial

N = 2717

Patients: moderate-severe sleep apnea and coronary artery or cerebrovascular disease

(CAD 51%, CVA 49%, HTN 79%)

Primary outcome: CV death, MI, stroke, HF hospitalization, ACS, or TIA



Significant reductions in Epworth Sleepiness score, anxiety, and depression

Therapy for CSA



SERVE-HF Trial

N = 1325

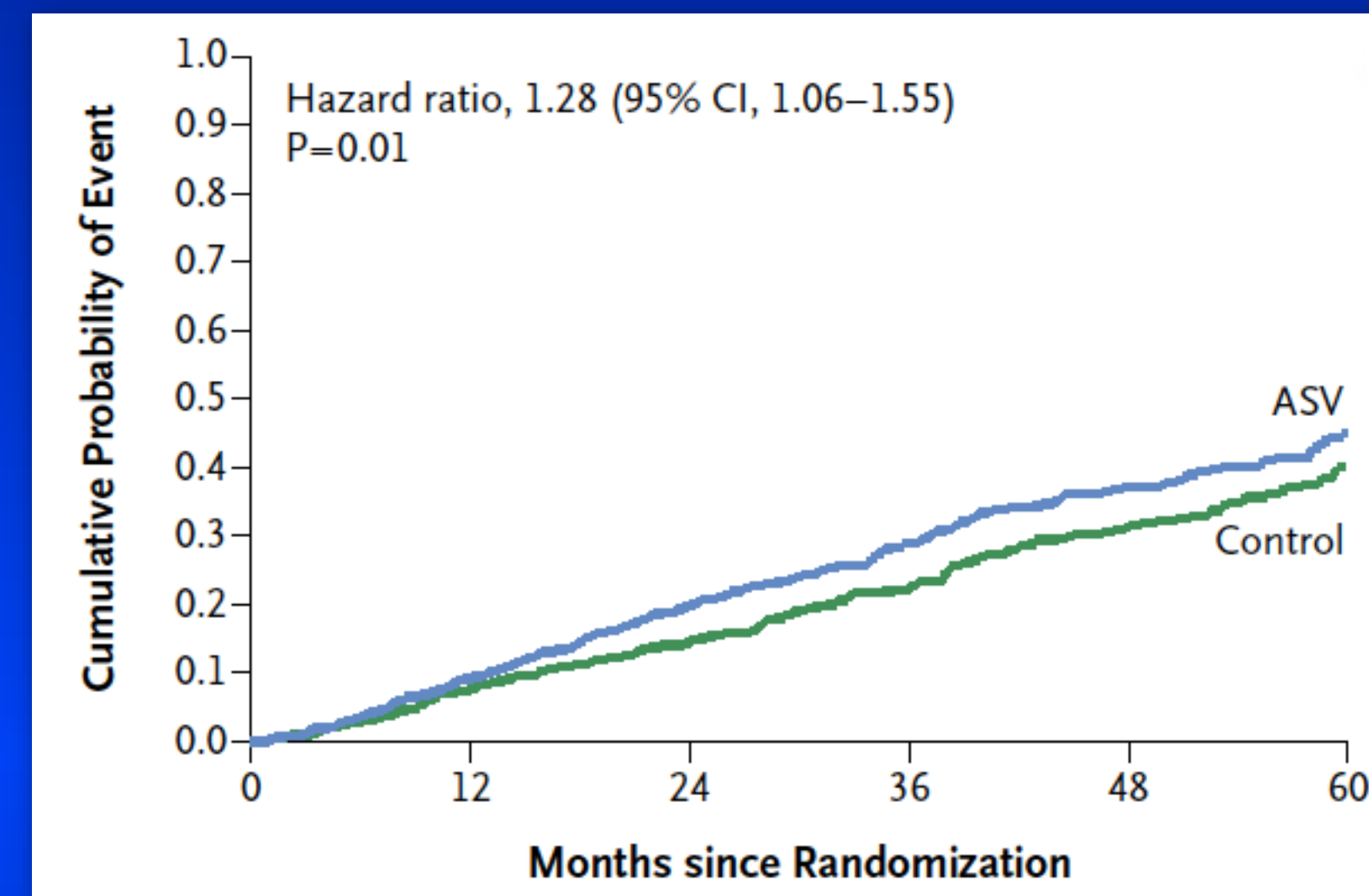
Patients: LVEF \leq 45%, ambulatory NYHA II or more, AHI \geq 15 events / hr

Intervention: Adaptive servo ventilation to target AHI $<$ 10 / hr

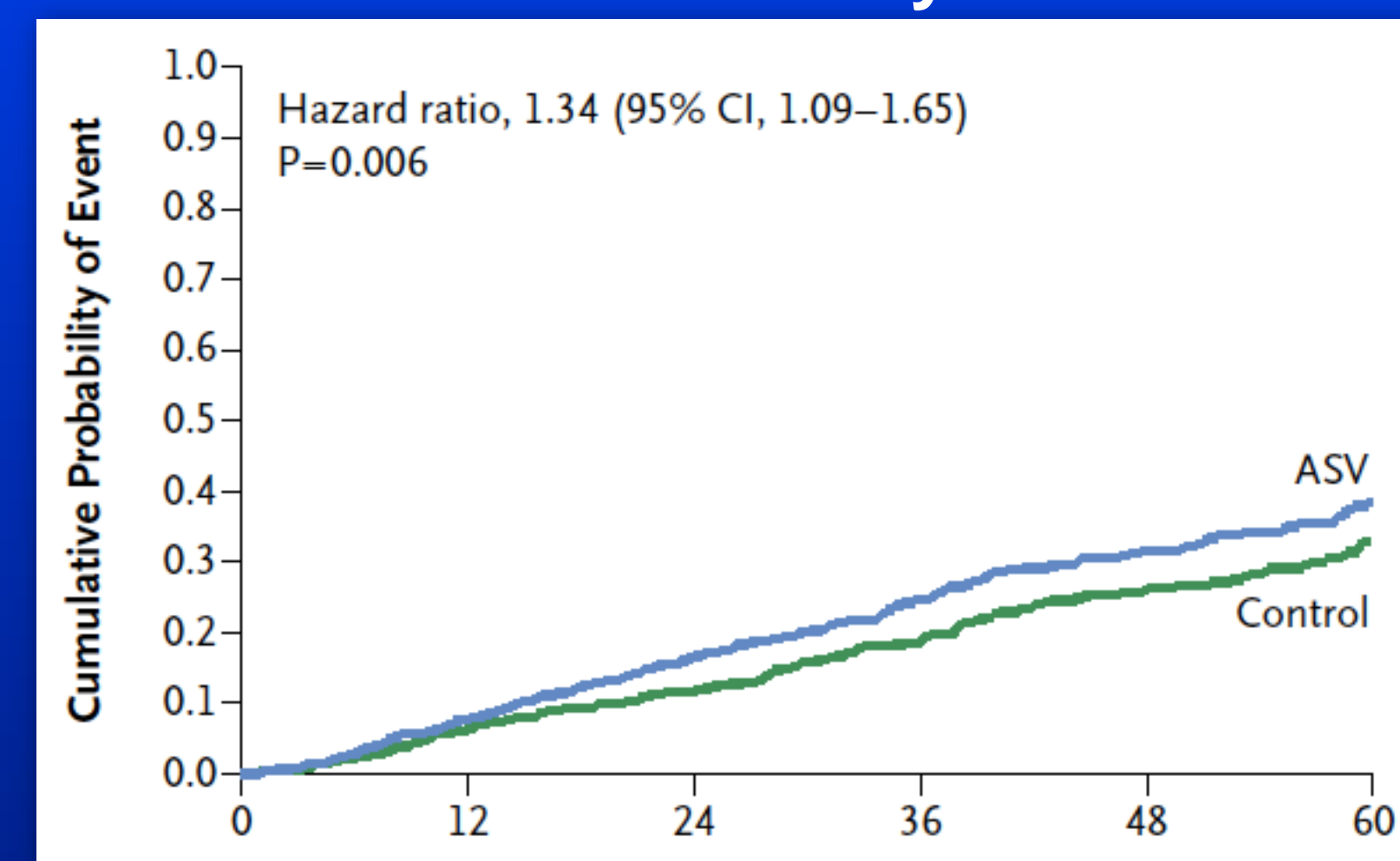
Outcome: All-cause death, life-saving cardiac intervention, HF hospitalization

Cowie MR, et al. N Engl J Med 2015;373:1095-105

All-cause mortality



CV mortality



Therapy for CSA



Trial	#pts	LVEF	Intervention	Baseline AHI	F/u AHI	Primary Outcome	Comments
CANPAP 2005	258	25%	CPAP	40	19	Neutral	Suspended
SERVE-HF 2015	1325	32%	ASV	31.2	6.6	Neutral	↑CV and all-cause mortality
CAT-HF 2017	126 (hosp)	32%	ASV	35.7	2.1	Neutral	Suspended
ADVENT-HF 2018*	850	<45%	ASV	AHI >15	TBD	TBD	In progress

Sleep Apnea in HF: Guideline Recommendations



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COR, LOE	ESC 2016 HF Guidelines
Class III, LOE B	Adaptive servo-ventilation is not recommended in patients with HFrEF and a predominant central sleep apnoea because of an increased all-cause and cardiovascular mortality

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Anemia in HF

50% of Medicare beneficiaries with HF > 65 yrs

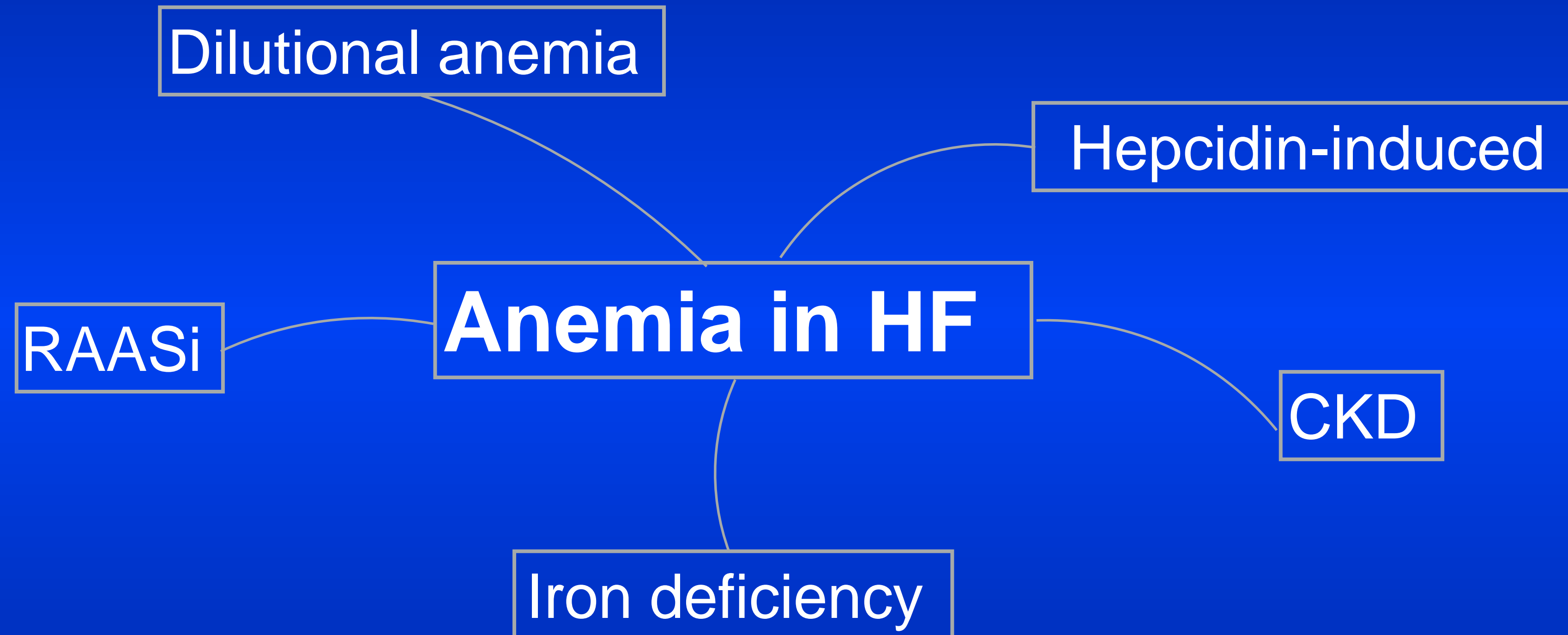
SOLVD trial: 22% Hct < 40*

HB < 10 g/dl 9.9% HFrEF vs. 21.1% HFpEF, p < 0.001^

*Al-Ahmad A, et al. J Am Coll Cardiol. 2001;38(4):955

^Bhatia RS, et al. N Engl J Med 2006;355:260-9

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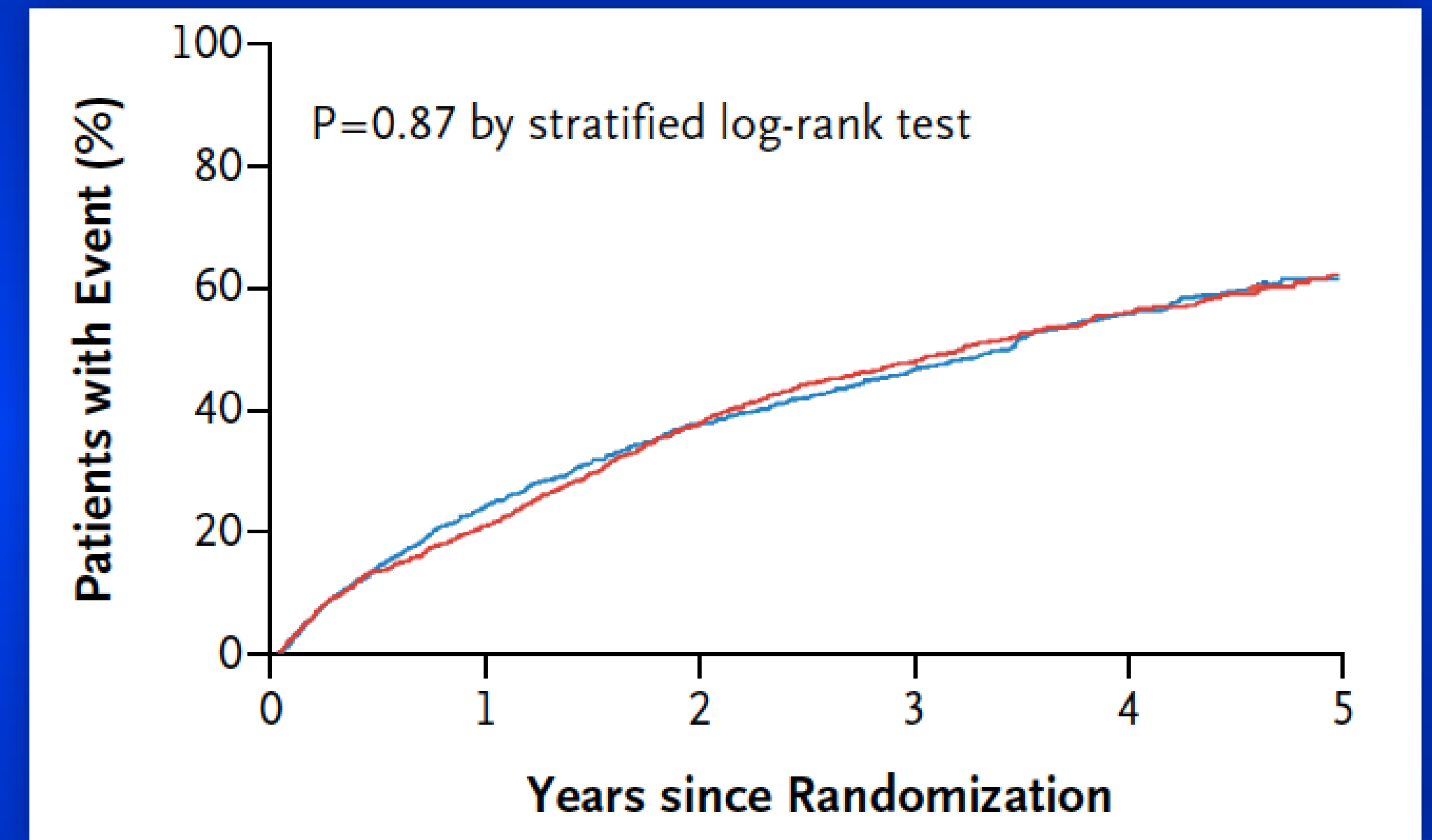
RED-HF

N = 2278

Patients: HB 9 - 12 g/dl, LVEF \leq 40%, NYHA \geq II

Intervention: darbapoetin alfa 0.75 mcg / kg weekly to HB > 13 then monthly

Outcome: All-cause mortality or first HF hospitalization



**Any thrombo-embolic event
4.5% vs 2.4%, p = 0.005**

Iron Deficiency and Anemia in HF



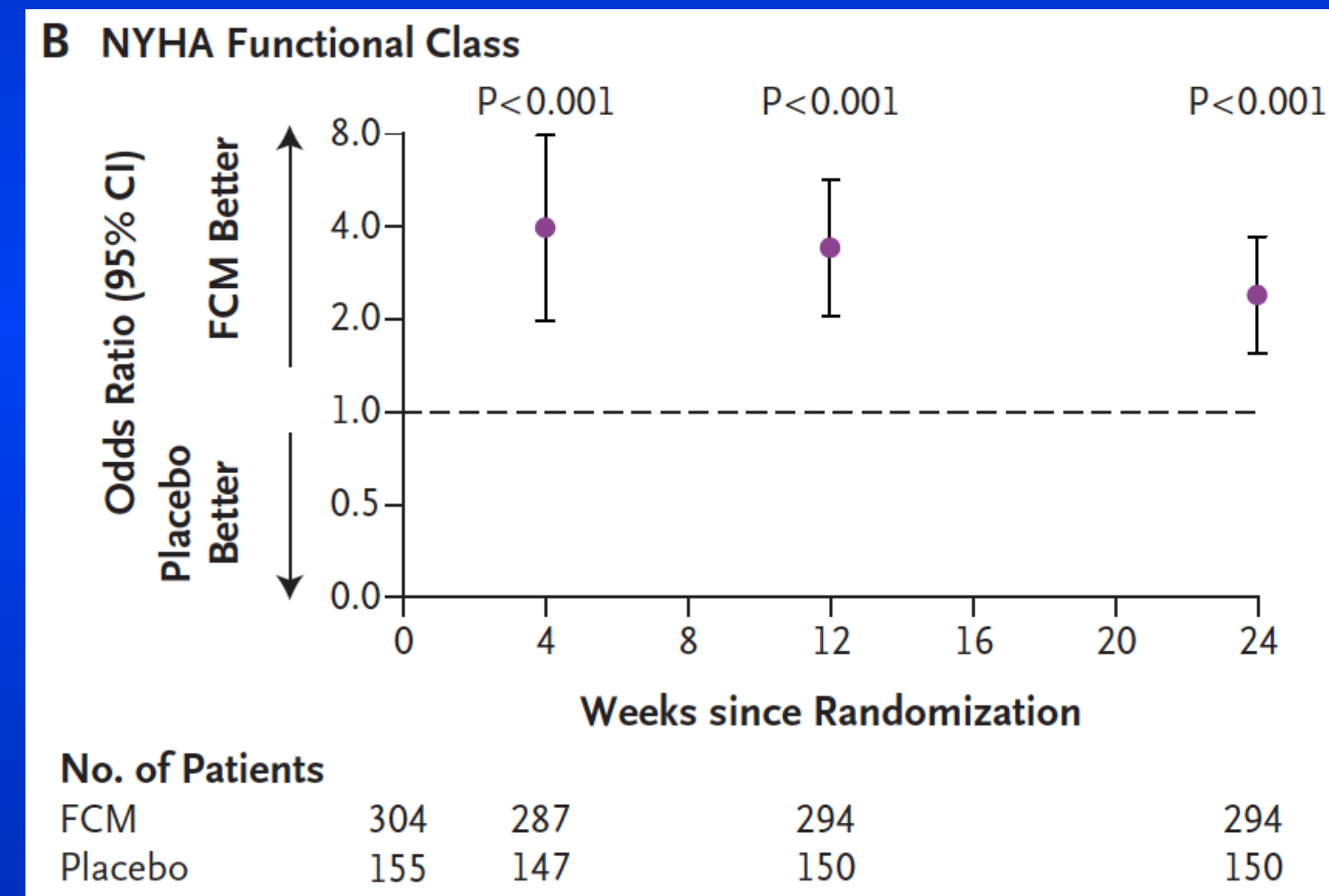
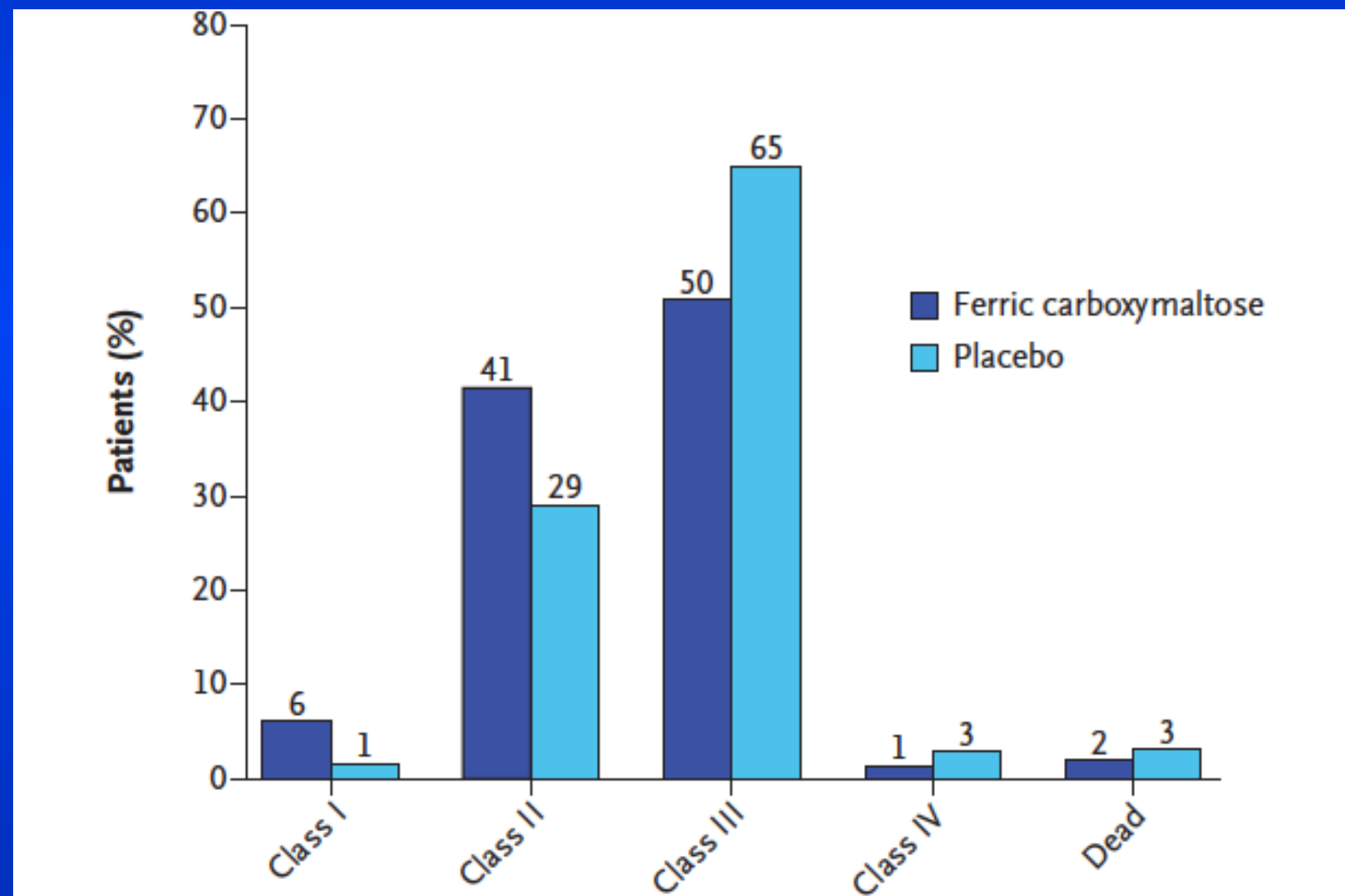
	FAIR-HF (NEJM 2009)	CONFIRM-HF (EHJ 2015)
N	459 (2:1)	304 (1:1)
Patients	NYHA II/III, LVEF < 45, Ferritin <100 ng/ml or 100-299 + Tsat <20%	NYHA II/III, LVEF < 45, BNP > 100 pg/ml (NT-PBNP >400), Ferritin <100 ng/ml or 100-299 + Tsat <20%, HB <15 g/dl
Intervention	IV Ferric Carboxymaltose (correction + maintenance)	IV Ferric Carboxymaltose (correction + maintenance)
Outcome	Week 24 NYHA class, Patient Global Assessment	Primary: 6MWT distance at 24 wks Sec: NYHA, Patient Global Assessment

Total Iron Deficit (Ganzoni's formula) = Weight x (Target Hb in g/dL - Actual Hb in g/dL) x 2.4 + Iron Stores

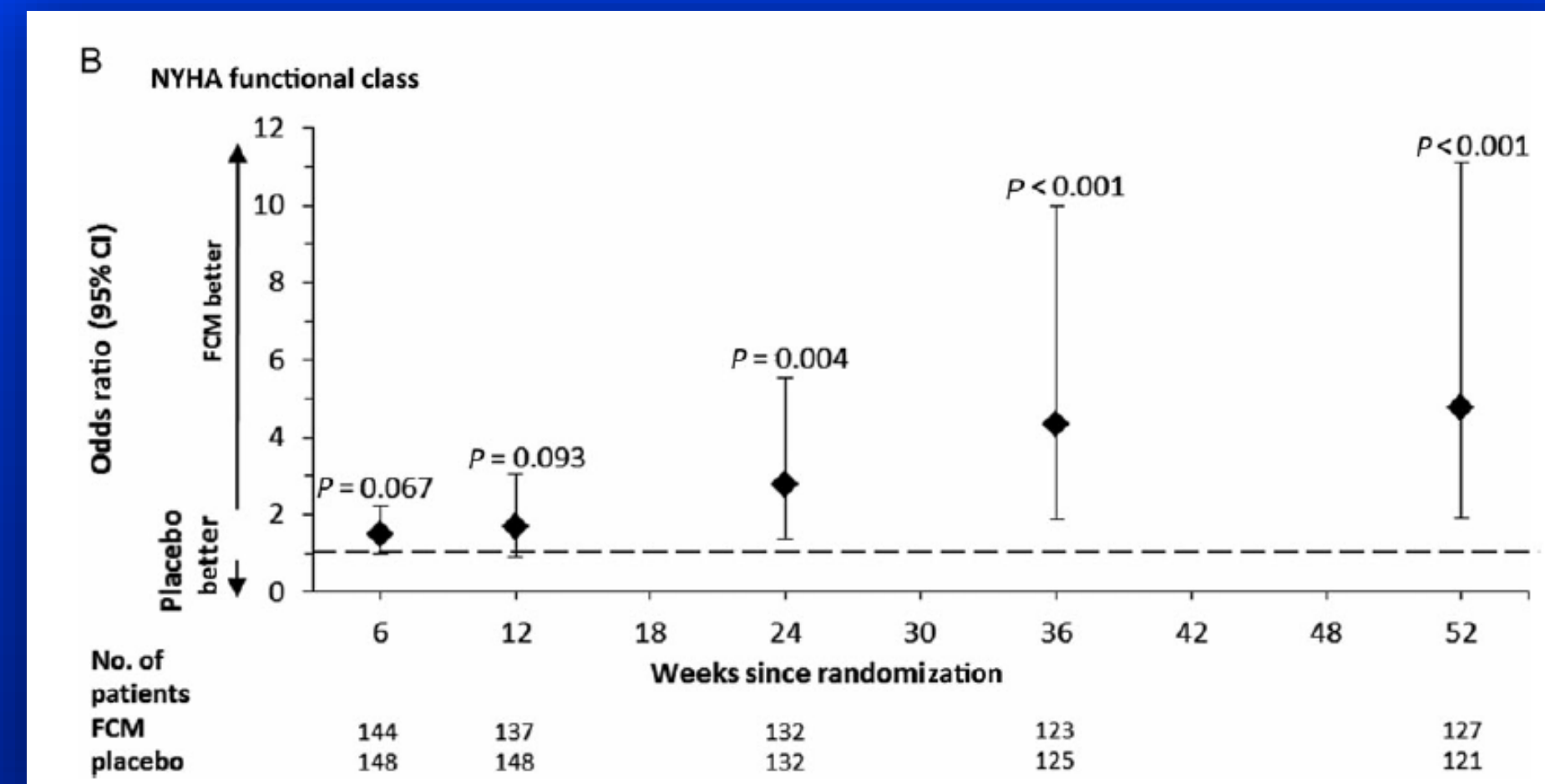
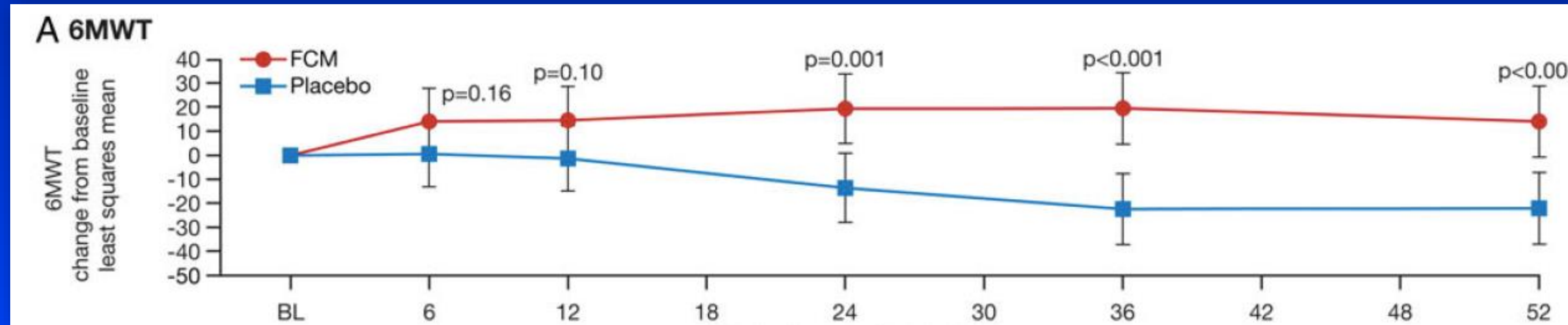
Anker SD, et al. N Engl J Med 2009;361:2436-48

Ponikowski P, et al. Eur Heart J. 2015 Mar 14;36(11):657-68

Iron Deficiency and Anemia in HF



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Class III, LOE B	In patients with HF and anemia, erythropoietin stimulating agents should not be used to improve morbidity and mortality

Iron Deficiency and Anemia in HF: Guideline Recommendations



COR, LOE	ESC 2016 HF Guidelines
Class IIa, LOE A	Intravenous FCM should be considered in symptomatic patients (serum ferritin <100 $\mu\text{g/L}$, or ferritin between 100–299 $\mu\text{g/L}$ and transferrin saturation <20%) in order to alleviate HF symptoms, and improve exercise capacity and quality of life

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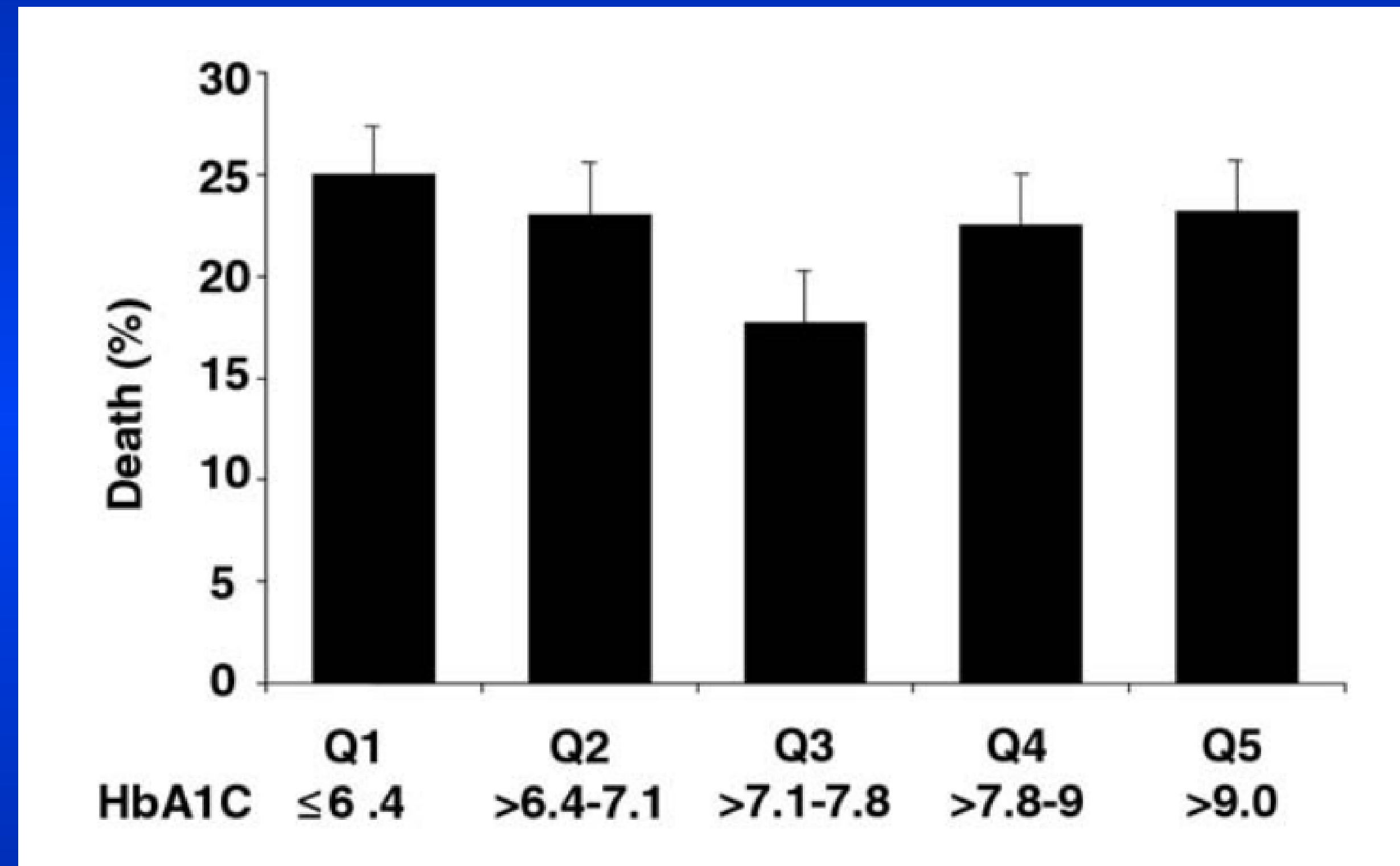
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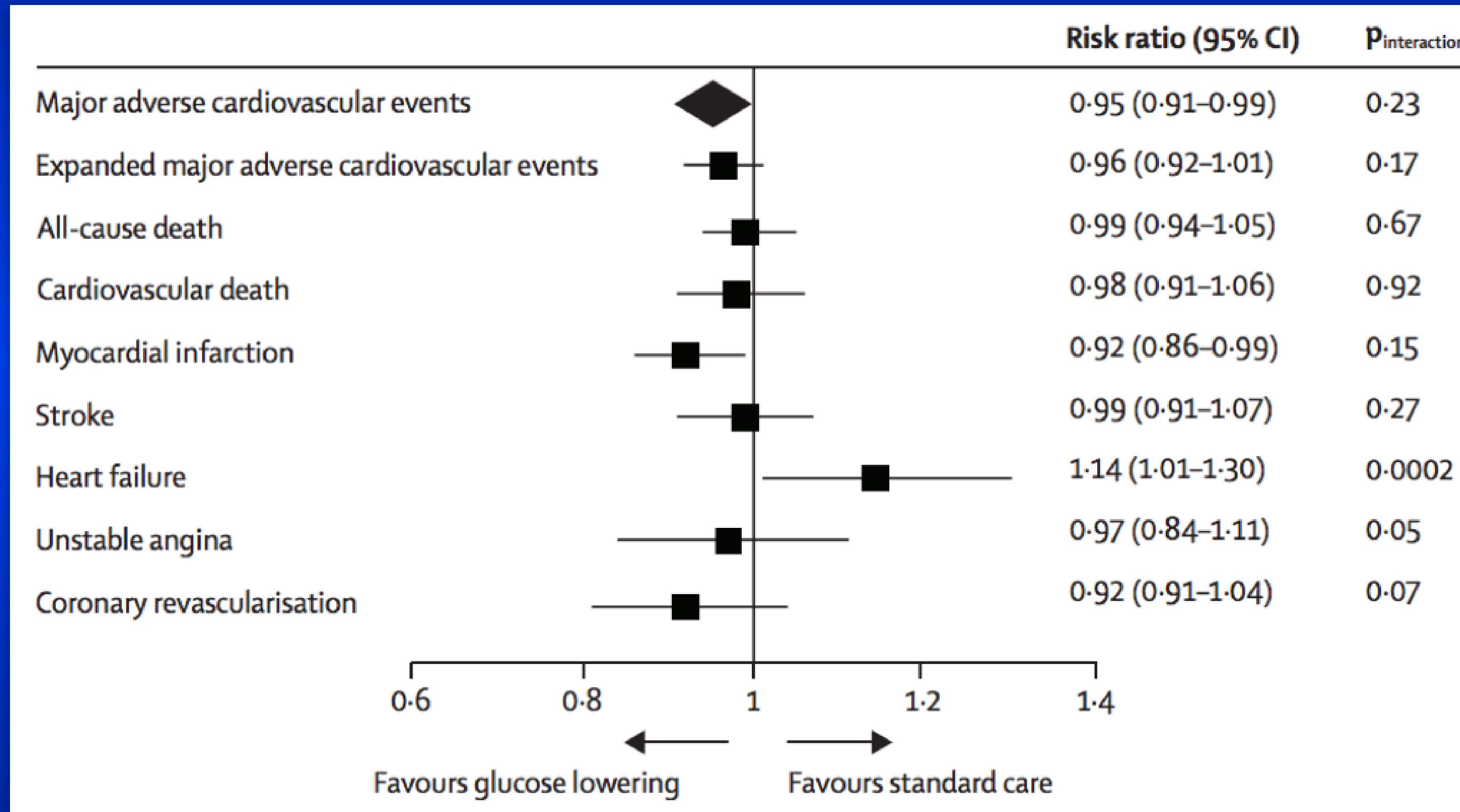
Hypertension

Glycemic Control Diabetes and HF

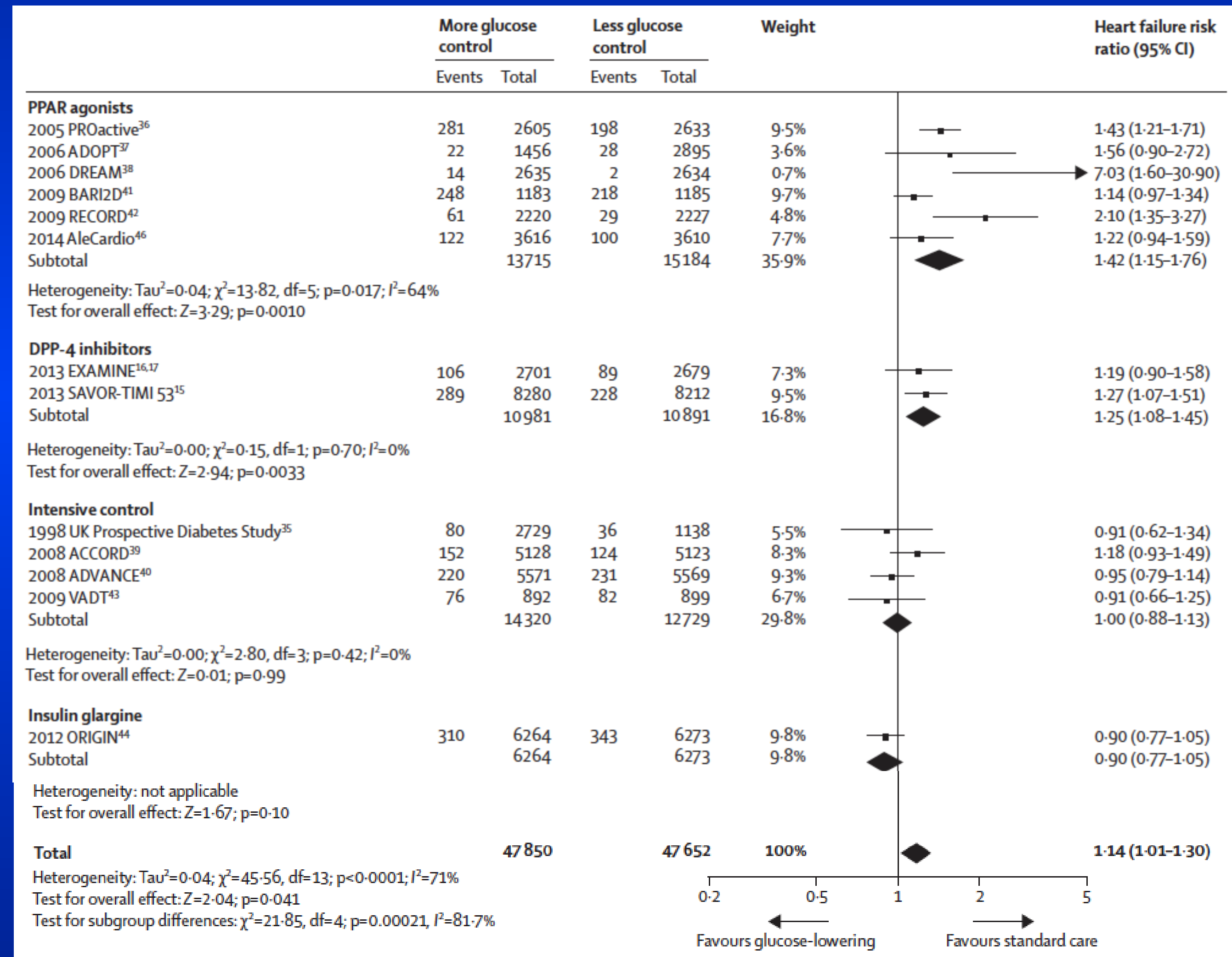


N = 5815 ambulatory patients with HF followed for 2 yrs

Therapies in Diabetes and HF



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Diabetes and HF Therapies



EMPA-REG OUTCOME Trial

Empagliflozin: SGLT2 inhibitor

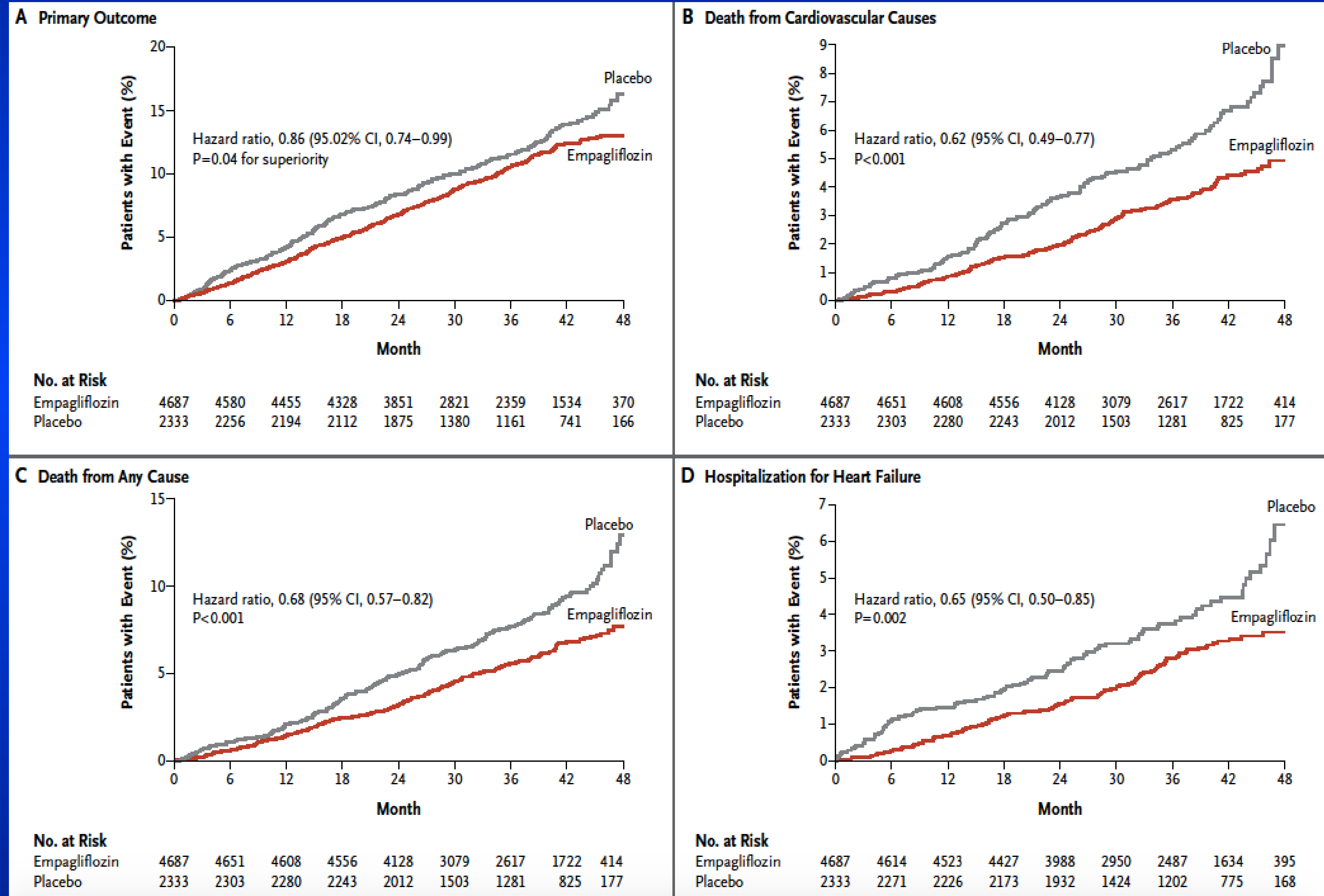
N = 7020

Patients: DM, HBA1c 7 - 9%, eGFR > 30 ml/min

Intervention: Empagliflozin 10 or 25 mg or placebo

Outcome: CV mortality, non-fatal MI, non-fatal stroke

Diabetes and HF Therapies



Diabetes and HF Therapies: Guideline Recommendations



COR, LOE	ESC 2016 Heart Failure Guidelines
Class IIa, LOE C	Metformin should be considered as control in patients with diabetes and HF, unless contra-indicated
Class III, LOE A	Thiazolidinediones (glitazones) are not recommended in patients with HF, as they increase the risk of HF worsening and HF hospitalization

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HTN and HF



SPRINT Trial

N = 9361

Patients: At least one of the following - established vascular disease, chronic renal disease, or a Framingham Risk Score >15%, age > 75

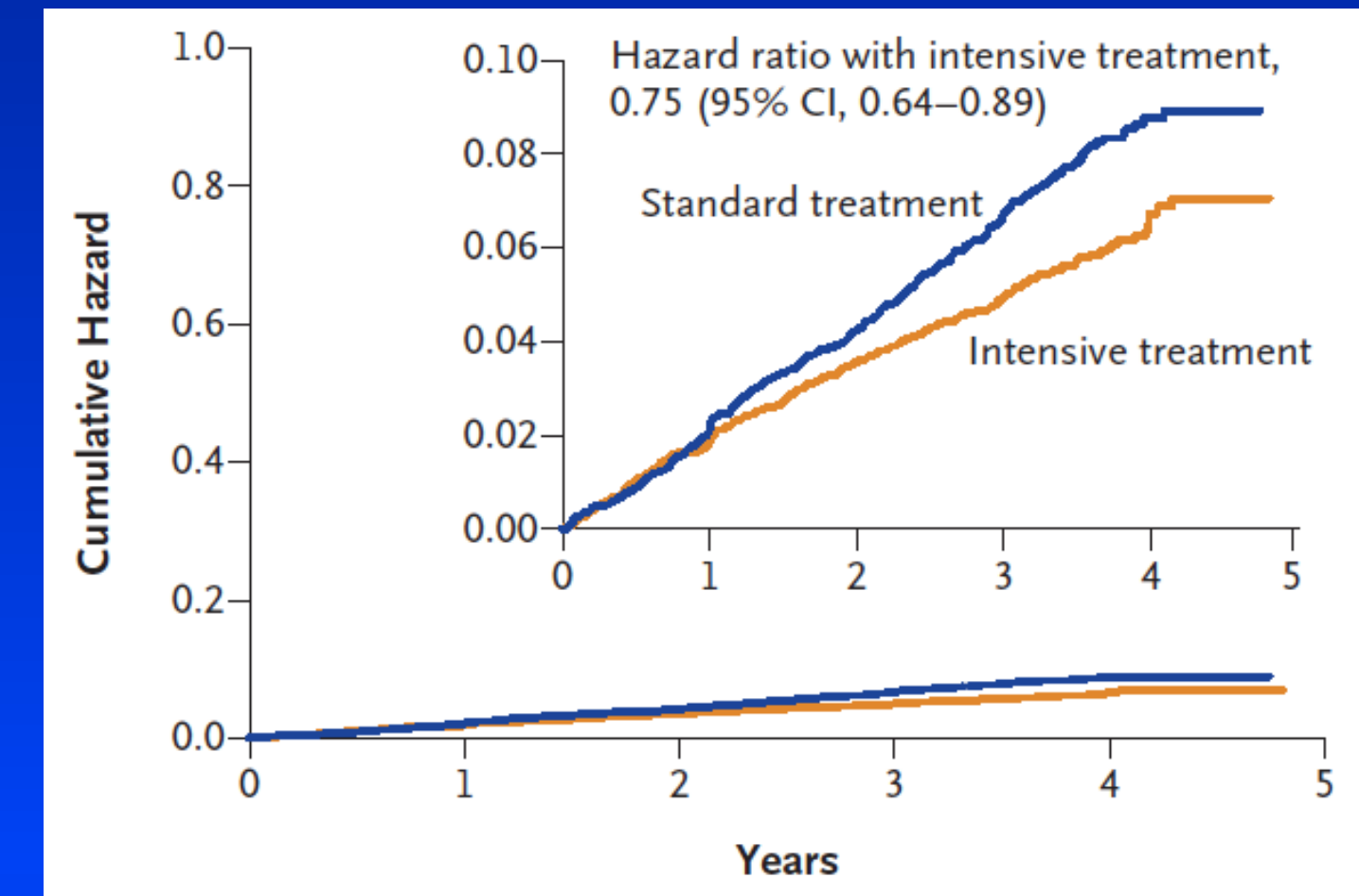
Intervention:

SBP < 140 mmHg vs. SBP < 120 mmHg

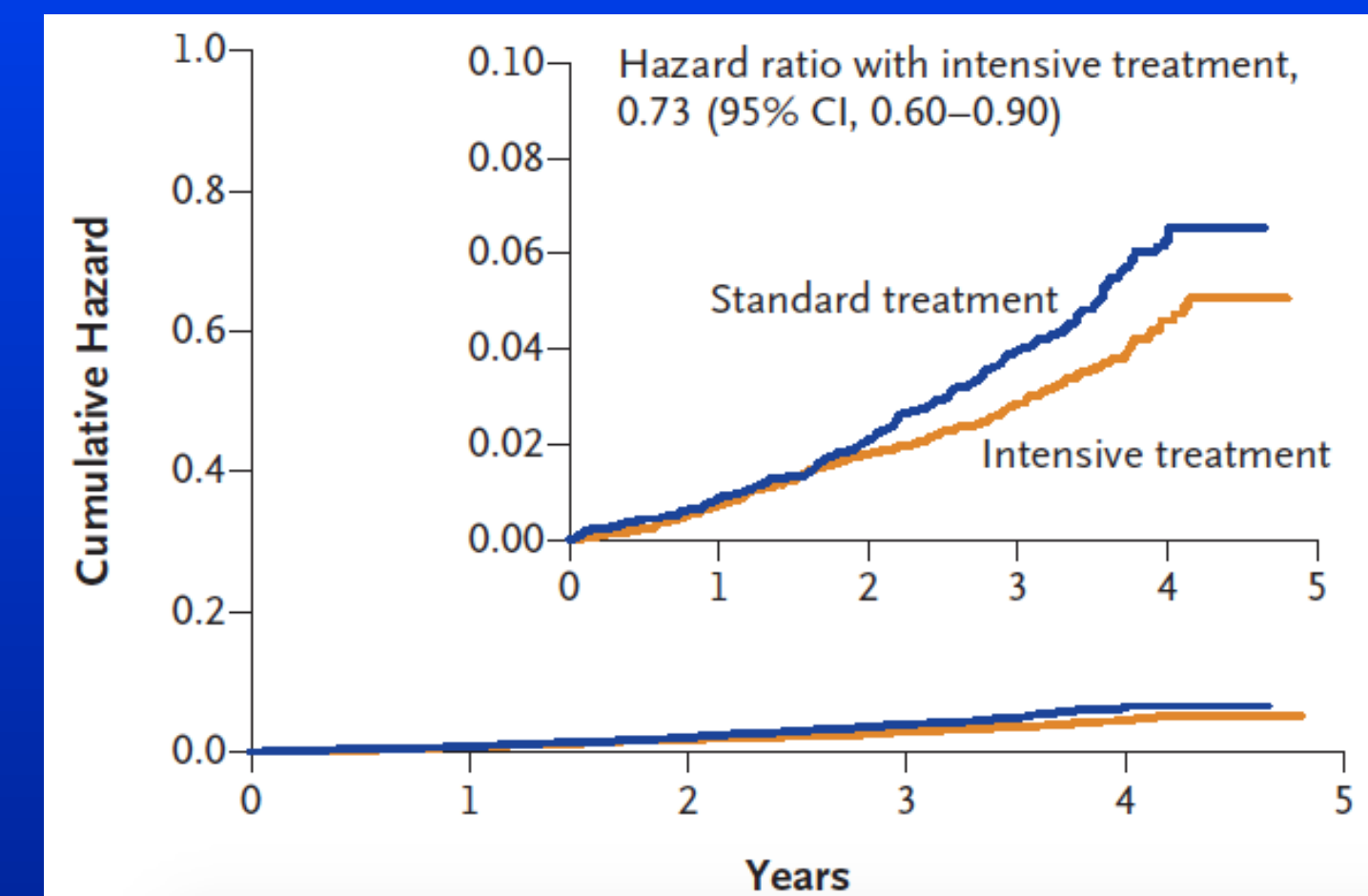
Outcome:

Composite ACS, stroke, ADHF, CV death

Primary end point



All-cause mortality



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Conclusion



- **Comorbidities are highly prevalent in heart failure patients**
- **Novel mechanisms linking comorbidities to heart failure provide additional diagnostic and therapeutic opportunities**
- **Treating some comorbidities can lead to a heterogeneous impact on heart failure outcomes, as some comorbid conditions may represent adaptive responses and are only markers of poor prognosis**
- **Our understanding of comorbidities and therapeutic strategies continues to evolve**