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State of the Art Management of HFpEF

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GWTG-HF data linked to Medicare data, ~ 40 k pts,

Heart Failure With Preserved, Borderline, and Reduced Ejection Fraction



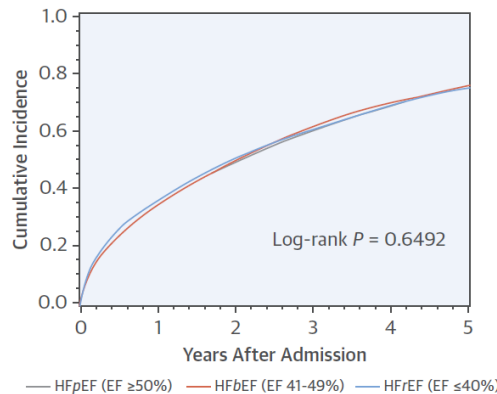
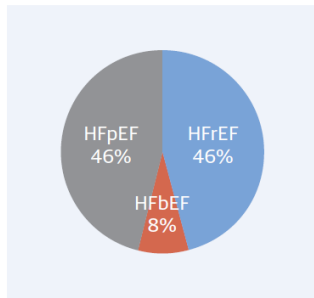
5-Year Outcomes

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CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION 5-Year Outcomes in Patients Hospitalized With HF With Preserved, Borderline, and Reduced EF

Heart Failure

5-Year Mortality

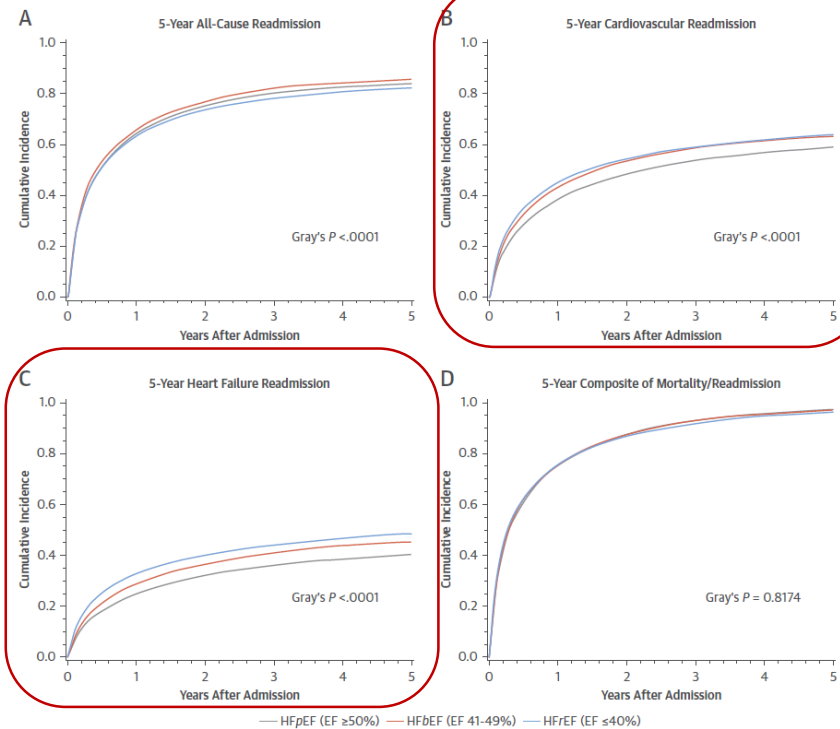


Outcomes – 5-Year Event Rates (%)

	Mortality	Readmission	CV Readmission	HF Readmission	Mortality/Readmission
HFrEF	75.3	82.2	63.9	48.5	96.4
HFbEF	75.7	85.7	63.3	45.2	97.2
HFpEF	75.7	84.0	58.9	40.5	97.3

Mortality

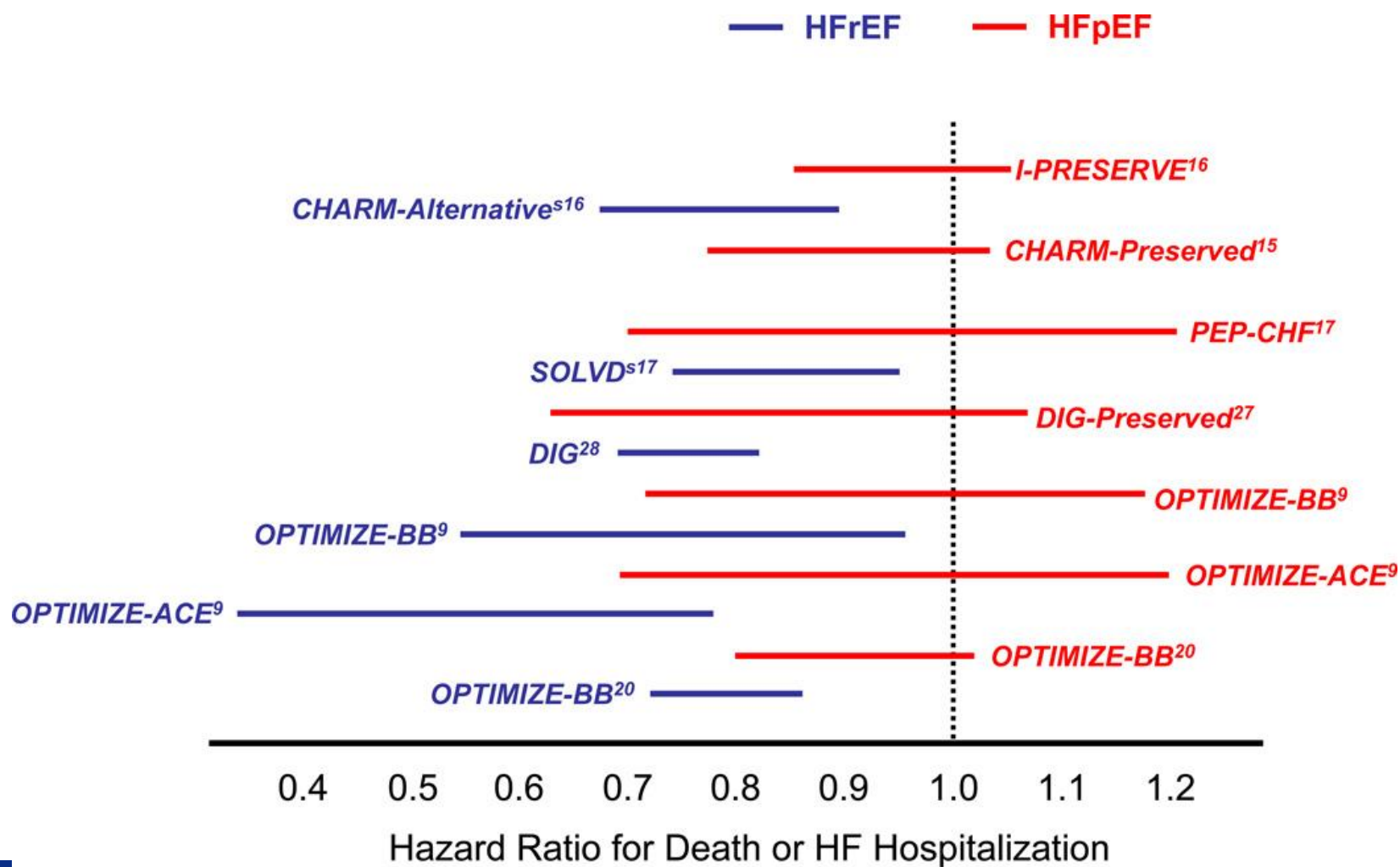
FIGURE 1 Cumulative Incidence Plots for Mortality and Readmission Outcomes by EF Groups



Hospitalization

All 3 groups had **similar 5-year mortality rates** (HFrEF 75.3% vs. HFpEF 75.7%; HFbEF 75.7%)
CVH and HFH higher in HFrEF and HFbEF compared with those with HFpEF

Randomized Trials in HFpEF



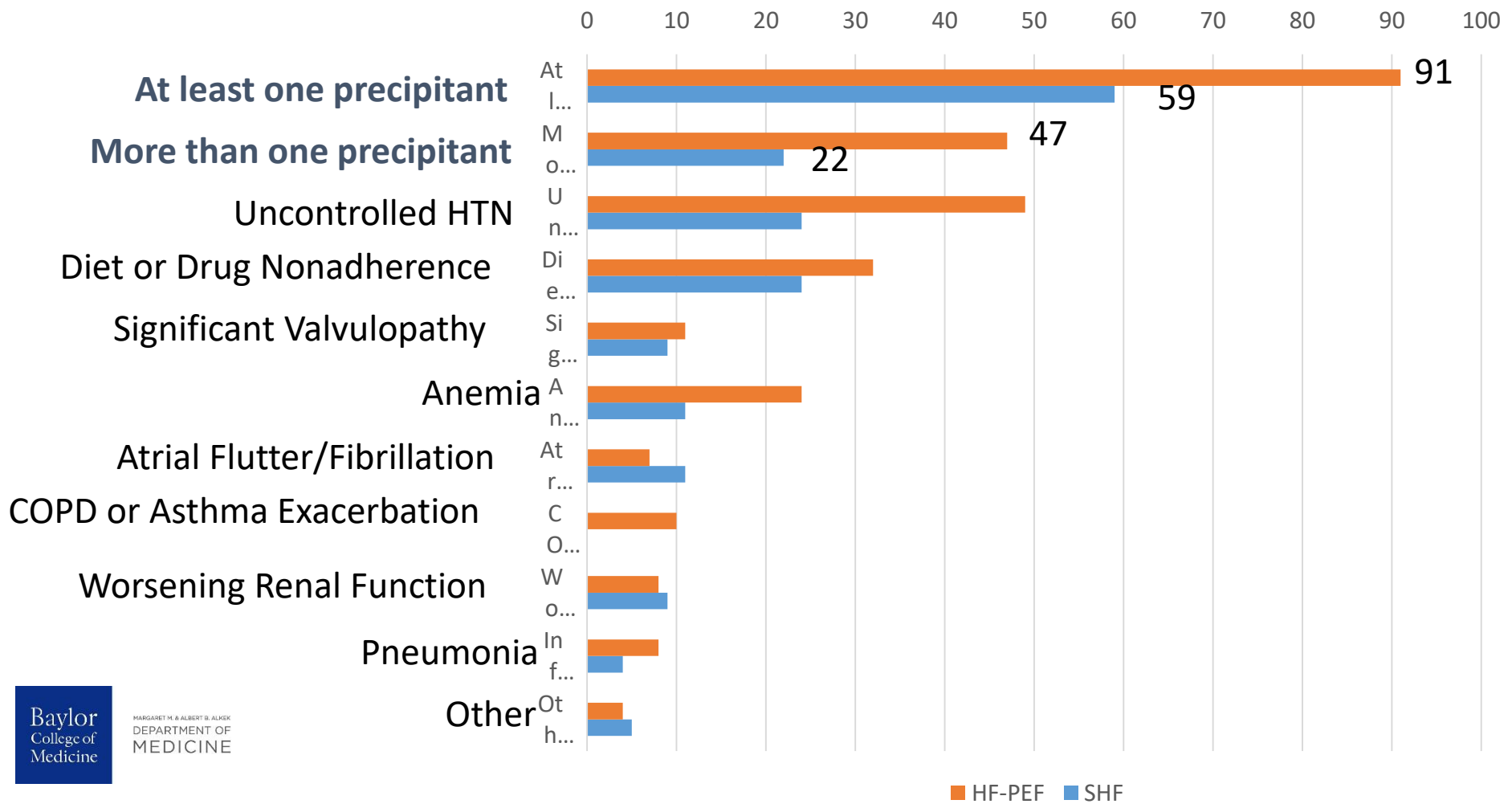
Risk Factors for HF-PEF

- Older age
- Women
- Systolic hypertension
- Diabetes
- Increased pulse pressure
- Left ventricular hypertrophy
- Diastolic filling abnormalities
- Obesity



Treatable

Precipitants of Heart Failure Exacerbations in Patients with HF-PEF

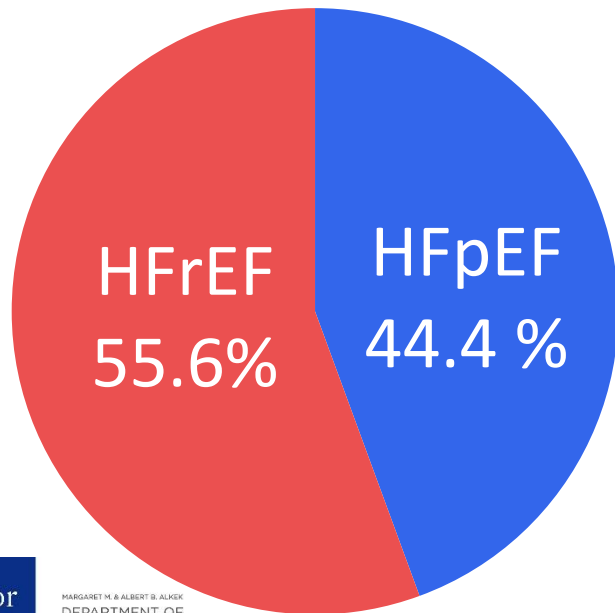


Stage A – Prevention of HFpEF

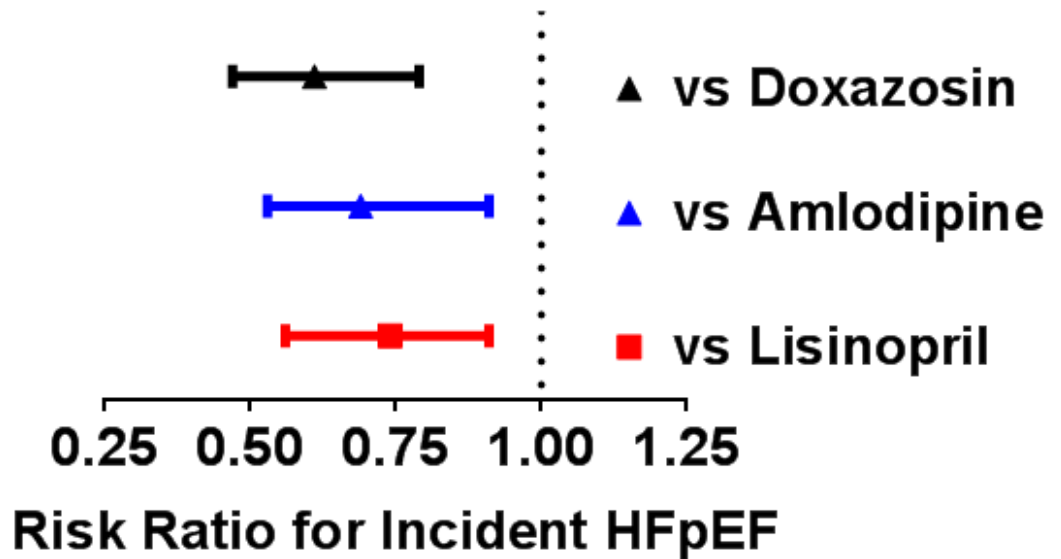
ALLHAT
42,418 High Risk HTN
> 55 yrs old

4.9 years
↓

910 HF+EF



Chlorthalidone vs Other Agents in Preventing HFpEF

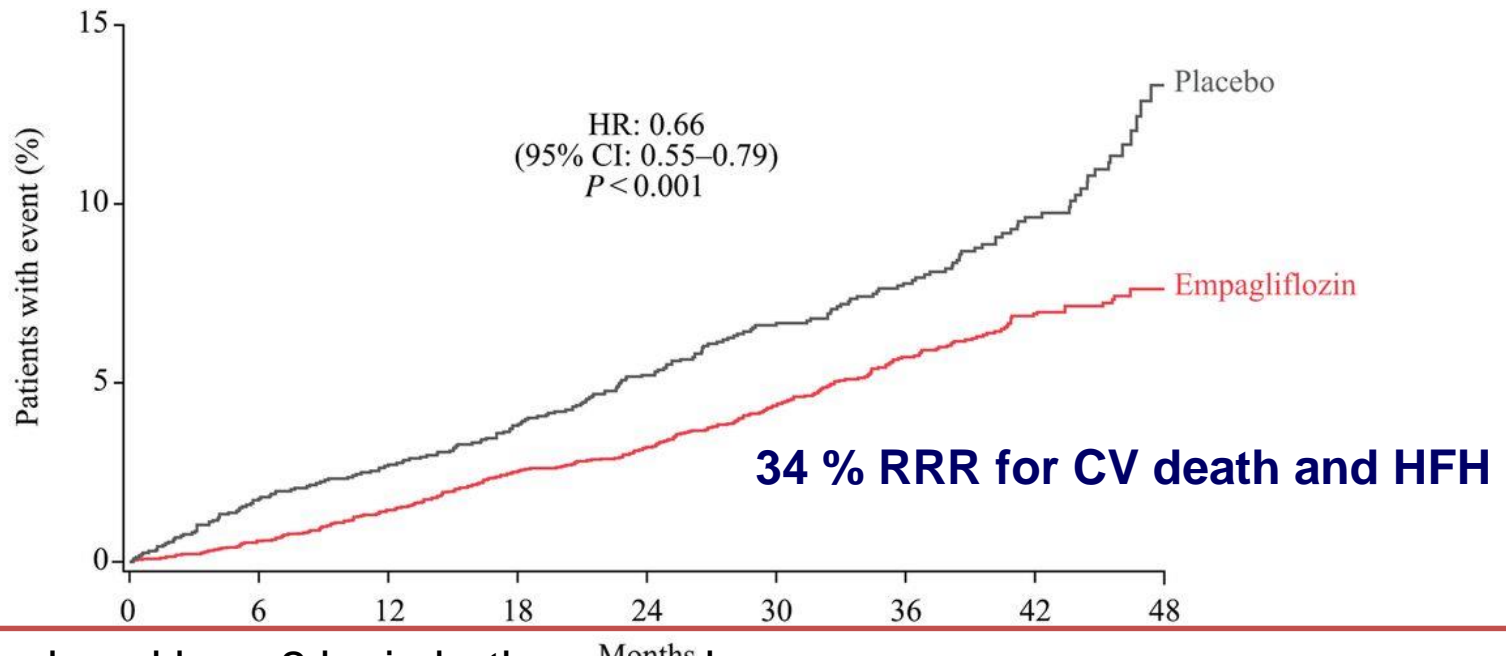


Lower Systolic BP with Chlorthalidone

HF Events Reduced with SGLT2i in high risk CVD -EMPA-REG OUTCOME TRIAL

- ~ 10% had pre- existing HF, 43% on loop diuretics at baseline

Time to first HFH or CVD



- Weight reduced by ~2 kg in both empagliflozin dose groups
- **No measure of LVEF, no data on HFrEF vs HFpEF, or BNP**
- **Reduction in HFH could be due to HFpEF**

Ongoing SGLT2i Trials in HF – some HFpEF

	EMPEROR-Preserved ¹	EMPEROR-Reduced ²	Dapa-HF ³	SOLOIST-WHF ^{4,5}
Sample size	4126	2850*	4500	4000 ⁴ (6667 ?) ⁵
Key inclusion criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chronic HF†• Elevated NT-proBNP• eGFR ≥20 ml/min/1.73 m²	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Symptomatic HFrEF†• Elevated NT-proBNP• eGFR ≥30 ml/min/1.73 m²	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Type 2 diabetes• Chronic HF• Elevated NT-proBNP• Hospital admission for worsening HF and haemodynamically stable	
	HFpEF (LVEF >40%)	HFrEF (LVEF ≤40%)	HFrEF (LVEF ≤40%)	
Primary endpoint	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Time to first event of adjudicated CV death or adjudicated HHF	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Time to first occurrence of CV death, HHF or urgent HF visit	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Time to first event of CV death or HHF (both EF<50% and II)	
Key secondary endpoints	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Individual components of primary endpoint<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All-cause mortality• All-cause hospitalisation• Time to first occurrence of sustained reduction of eGFR• Change from baseline in KCCQ	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Total number of CV death or HHF• All-cause mortality• Composite of ≥50% sustained eGFR decline, ESRD or renal death• Change from baseline in KCCQ	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Total number of CV death, HHF or urgent HF visit• Composite of ≥50% sustained eGFR decline, chronic dialysis, renal transplant or sustained eGFR <15 ml/min/1.73 m²	
Start date	March 2017	March 2017	February 2017	June 2018
Expected completion date	June 2020	June 2020	December 2019	January 2021

*NT-proBNP-based enrichment of the population with patients at higher severity of HF; [†]NYHA class II–IV
 ESRD, end-stage renal disease; HHF, hospitalisation for heart failure; KCCQ, Kansas City Cardiomyopathy Questionnaire; LVEF, left ventricular ejection fraction; NT-proBNP, N-terminal pro-B-type natriuretic peptide
 1. ClinicalTrials.gov NCT03057951; 2. ClinicalTrials.gov NCT03057977; 3. ClinicalTrials.gov NCT03036124; **sotagliflozin**
 4. ClinicalTrials.gov NCT03521934; 5. EU Clinical Trials Register 2017-003510-16. Available at: <https://www.clinicaltrialsregister.eu>¹⁷

Stage C – Treatment of HFpEF

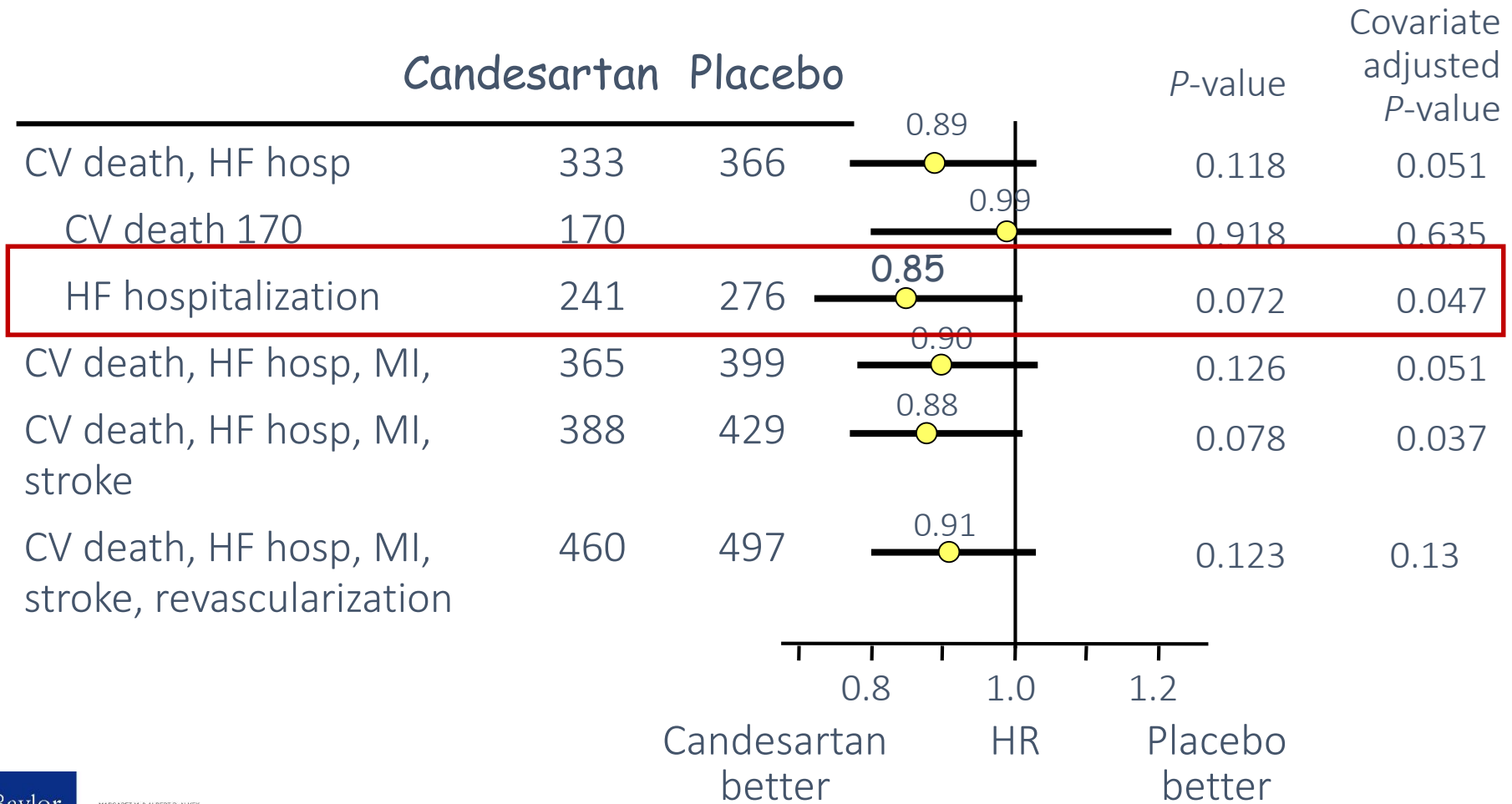
Pharmacological Treatment for Stage C HFpEF (remains same)

COR	LOE	Recommendations	Comment/ Rationale
I	B	Systolic and diastolic blood pressure should be controlled in patients with HFpEF in accordance with published clinical practice guidelines to prevent morbidity	2013 recommendation remains current.
I	C	Diuretics should be used for relief of symptoms due to volume overload in patients with HFpEF.	2013 recommendation remains current.

Pharmacological Treatment for Stage C HFpEF (remains same)

COR	LOE	Recommendations	Comment/ Rationale
Ila	C	Coronary revascularization is reasonable in patients with CAD in whom symptoms (angina) or demonstrable myocardial ischemia is judged to be having an adverse effect on symptomatic HFpEF despite GDMT.	2013 recommendation remains current.
Ila	C	Management of AF according to published clinical practice guidelines in patients with HFpEF is reasonable to improve symptomatic HF.	2013 recommendation remains current.
Ila	C	The use of beta-blocking agents, ACE inhibitors, and ARBs in patients with hypertension is reasonable to control blood pressure in patients with HFpEF.	2013 recommendation remains current.

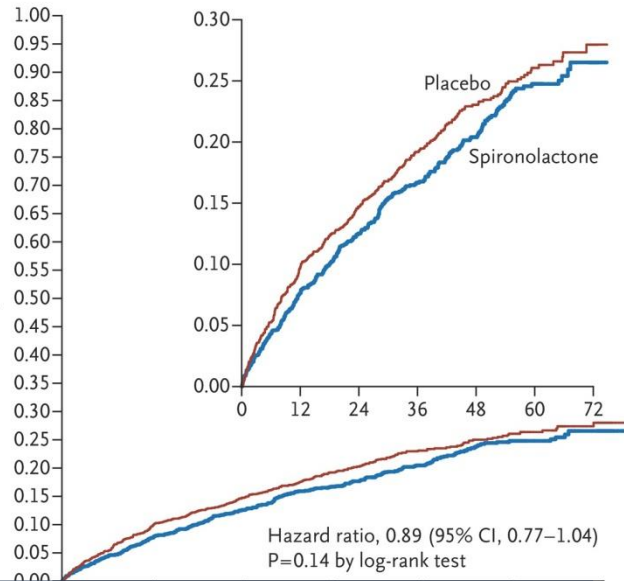
CHARM-PRESERVED: Primary and secondary outcomes



Spironolactone for Heart Failure with Preserved Ejection Fraction

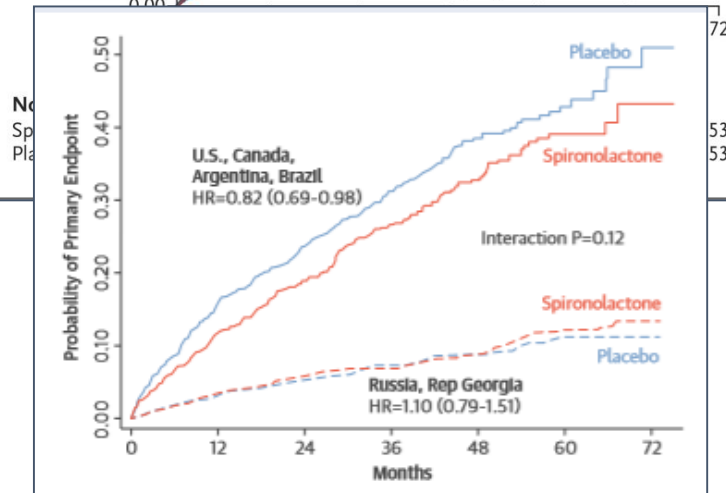
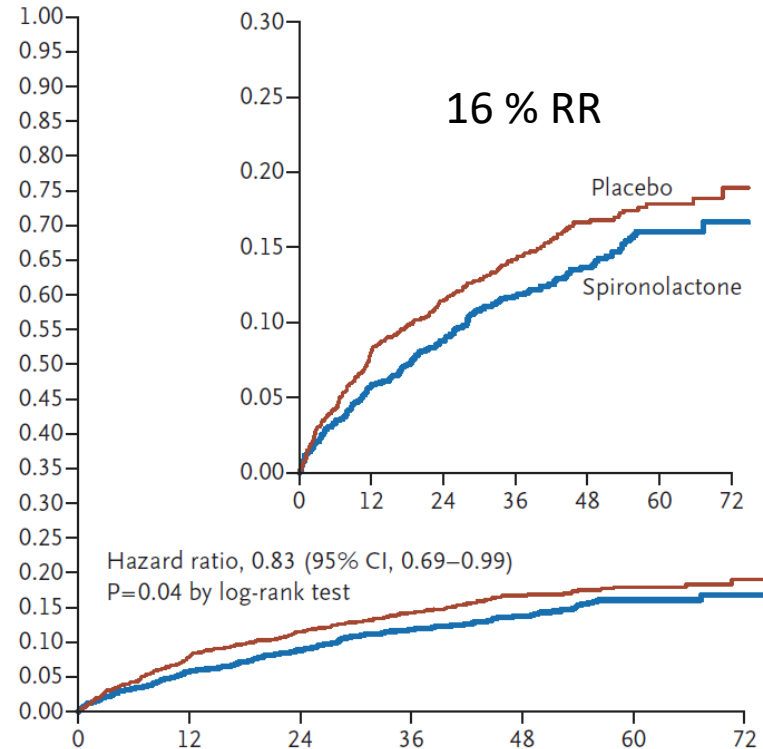
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combined endpoint of death,
aborted cardiac death



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Estimated Cumulative Proportion of Patients
Hospitalized for Heart Failure



Pharmacological Treatment for Stage C HFpEF

COR	LOE	Recommendations	Comment/ Rationale
IIb	B-R	In appropriately selected patients with HFpEF (with EF \geq 45%, elevated BNP levels or HF admission within 1 year, estimated glomerular filtration rate $>$30 mL/min, creatinine $<$2.5 mg/dL, potassium $<$5.0 mEq/L), aldosterone receptor antagonists might be considered to decrease hospitalizations.	NEW: Current recommendation reflects new RCT data.
IIb	B	The use of ARBs might be considered to decrease hospitalizations for patients with HFpEF.	2013 recommendation remains current.

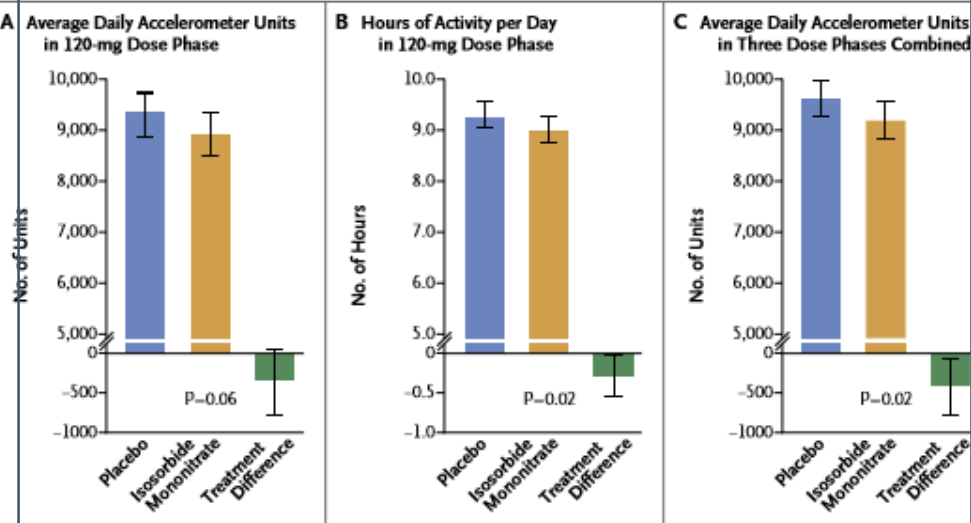
EF = ejection fraction

Yancy CW, et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol.* 2016;22:659-669.

Isosorbide Mononitrate in Heart Failure with Preserved Ejection Fraction

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NEAT-HF



- 110 patients with HFEF $\geq 50\%$ randomized to either isosorbide mononitrate or placebo
- no beneficial effects on activity levels, QoL, exercise tolerance, or NT-proBNP levels.

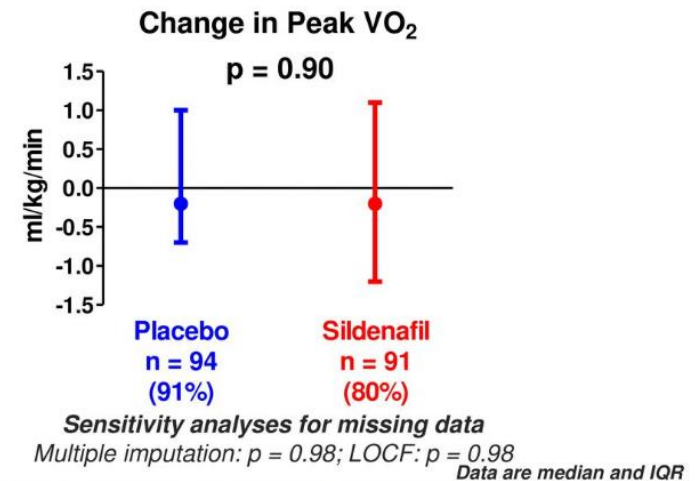
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Effect of Phosphodiesterase-5 Inhibition on Exercise Capacity and Clinical Status in Heart Failure With Preserved Ejection Fraction

A Randomized Clinical Trial

RELAX-HF

Results: Primary Endpoint



- PDE-5 inh augments the NO by upregulating cGMP
- Randomized 216 patients with HFEF $\geq 50\%$ on and pVo₂ $< 60\%$ to sildenafil or placebo.
- No improvement in O₂ consumption or exercise tolerance

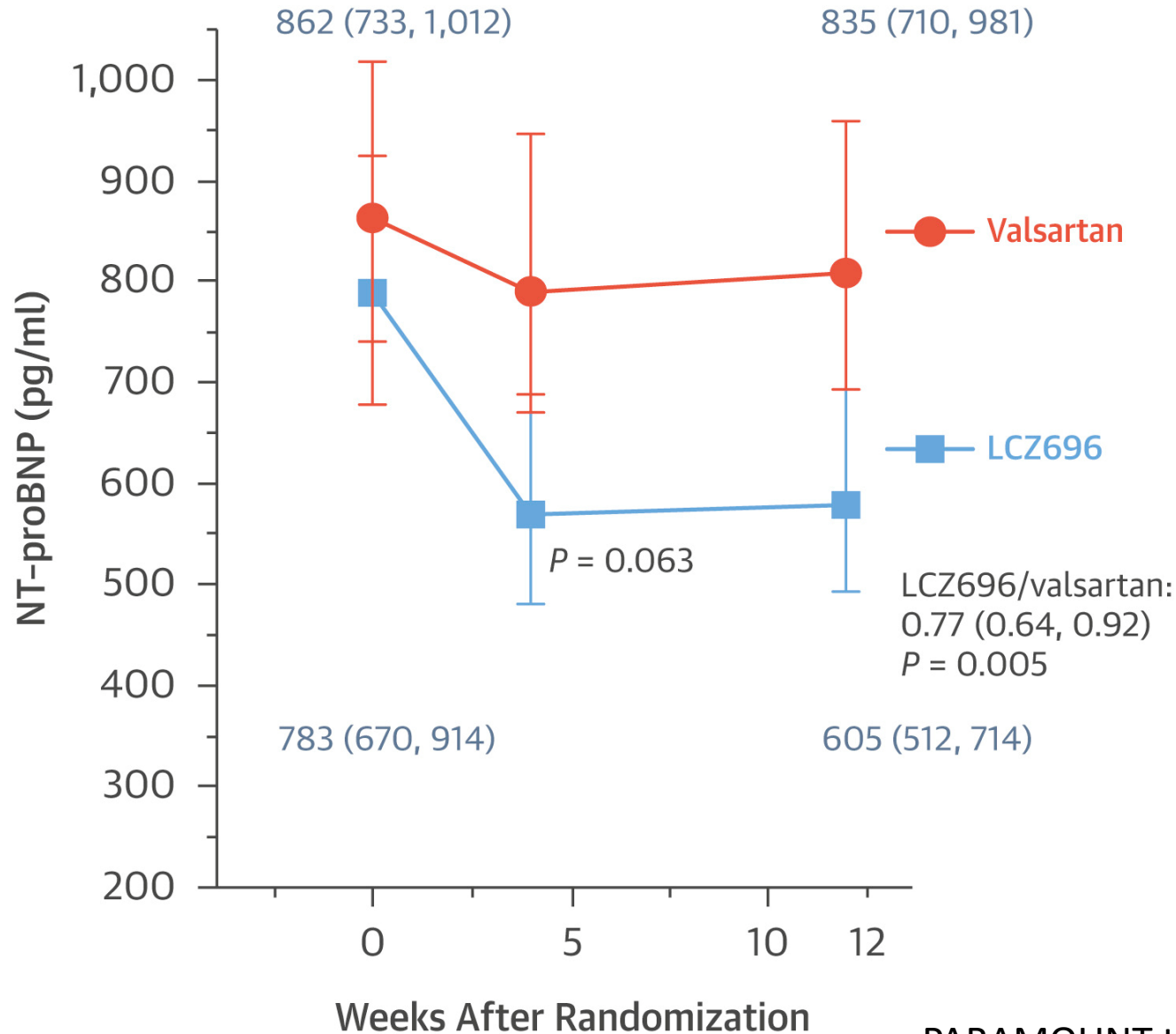
Pharmacological Treatment for Stage C HFpEF

COR	LOE	Recommendations	Comment/ Rationale
III: No Benefit	B-R	Routine use of nitrates or phosphodiesterase-5 inhibitors to increase activity or QoL in patients with HFpEF is ineffective.	NEW: Current recommendation reflects new data from RCTs.
III: No Benefit	C	Routine use of nutritional supplements is not recommended for patients with HFpEF.	2013 recommendation remains current.

HFpEF

Evolving New Approaches

Effects of LCZ696 in HFpEF (Paramount Pilot Trial)



New Studies with ARNI

NAME	TITLE	Primary End Point
PARAGON-HF	Efficacy and Safety of LCZ696 Compared to Valsartan, on Morbidity and Mortality in HFpEF	CV death and HF hospitalizations
TITRATION	Safety and Tolerability of Initiating LCZ696 in Heart Failure Patients 200 mg twice daily (bid) over 3 weeks vs 6 weeks)	Hypotension, Renal Dysfunction, Hyperkalemia and Angioedema
PARABLE	ARNI in Asymptomatic Patients With Elevated Natriuretic Peptide and Elevated Left Atrial Volume	impact on LV diastolic function
PIONEER	comParlson Of Sacubitril/valsartaN Versus Enalapril on Effect on ntpRo-bnp in Patients Stabilized From an Acute Heart Failure Episode	Change from baseline in NT-proBNP (hypotension, hyperkalemia, angioedema)
PARASAIL	Description of Tolerability of LCZ696 (Sacubitril / Valsartan) in Heart Failure With Reduced Ejection Fraction (HFrEF) Treated in Real Life Setting (PARASAIL) in CANADA	% Pts tolerated LCZ696 at the dose of 97.2 mg sacubitril / 102.8 mg valsartan bid at month 6

Source: ClinicalTrials.gov

Vericiguat in patients with worsening chronic heart failure and preserved ejection fraction: results of the SOLuble guanylate Cyclase stimulator in heArT failure patientS with PRESERVED EF (SOCRATES-PRESERVED) study

↑ cGMP by soluble guanylate cyclase stimulator

Table 2 Primary endpoints [per protocol analysis (PPS-NT-proBNP and PPS-LAV)]

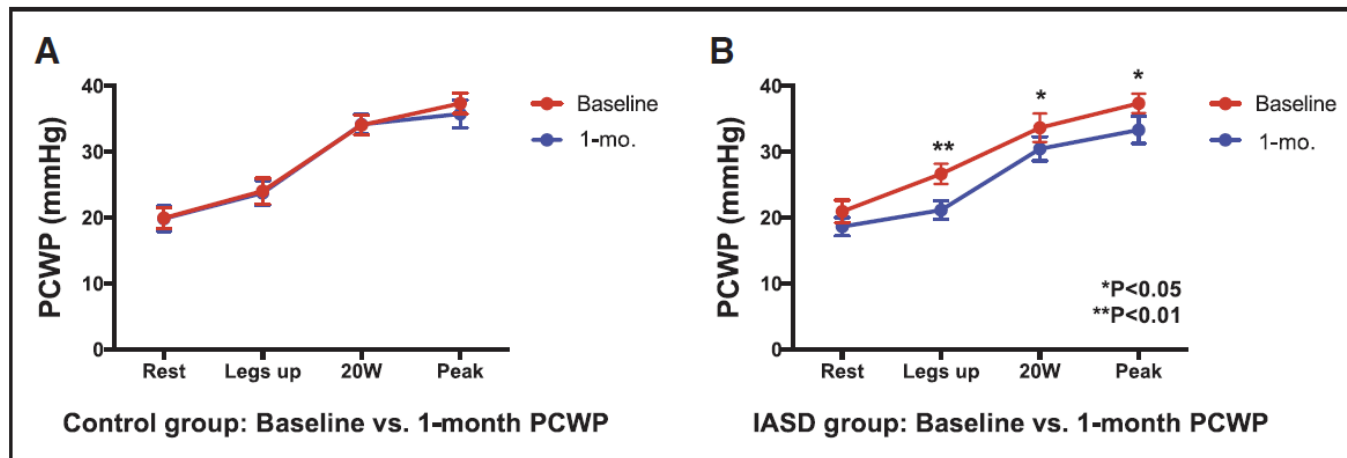
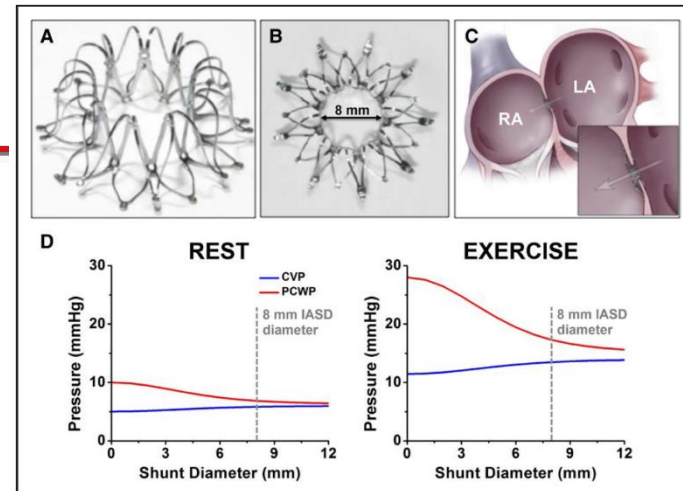
Primary analysis ^a		n	Baseline Mean (SD)	12 weeks (Visit 5) Mean change from baseline (SD)	Treatment comparison		
					Difference (Treat-Plac) [Back- transformed ^b]	90% Confidence interval [Back- transformed ^b]	P-value ^c One- sided Two- sided
LAV (mL)	Placebo	67	89.075 (51.059)	-3.361 (12.654)			
	Pooled	194	87.083 (30.204)	-1.732 (12.808)	1.6291	-1.36 to 4.62	0.8156 0.3688
2.5/5/10 mg							
log(NT-proBNP) [log(pg/mL)]	Placebo	73	6.897 (1.203)	-0.098 (0.778)			
	Pooled	195	6.945 (1.297)	0.038 (0.782)	0.1372 [1.147]	-0.04 to 0.31 [0.96–1.37]	0.8991 0.2017
2.5/5/10 mg							

- Phase II Study, Vericiguat once daily at different doses was well tolerated
- did not change NT-proBNP and LAV at 12 weeks
- but was associated with improvements in QOL in HFpEF

of Circulation

Transcatheter Interatrial Shunt Device for the Treatment of Heart Failure With Preserved Ejection Fraction (REDUCE LAP-HF I [Reduce Elevated Left Atrial Pressure in Patients With Heart Failure])

A Phase 2, Randomized, Sham-Controlled Trial



- patients with NYHA-III-IV EF \geq 40%HF, exercise PCWP \geq 25
- creation of an 8-mm interatrial communication to unload LA
- implantation of an interatrial shunt device reduced PCWP during exercise,

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Mid-Range LVEF

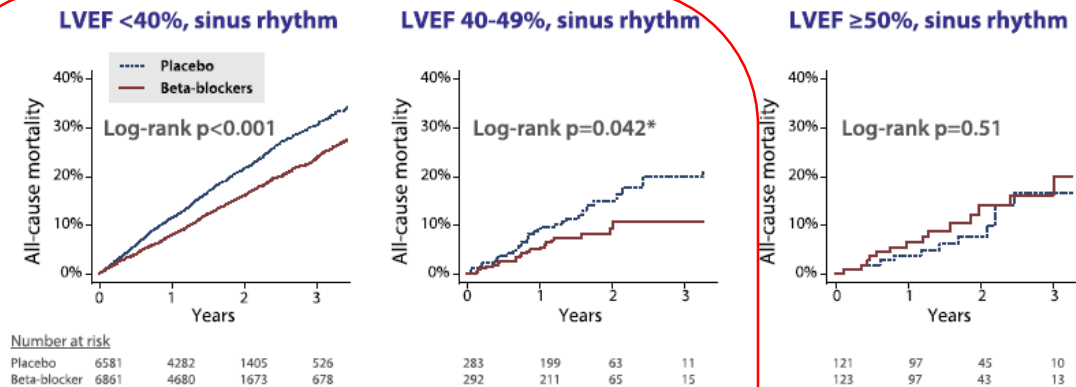
Beta-blockers for heart failure with reduced, mid-range, and preserved ejection fraction: an individual patient-level analysis of double-blind randomized trials

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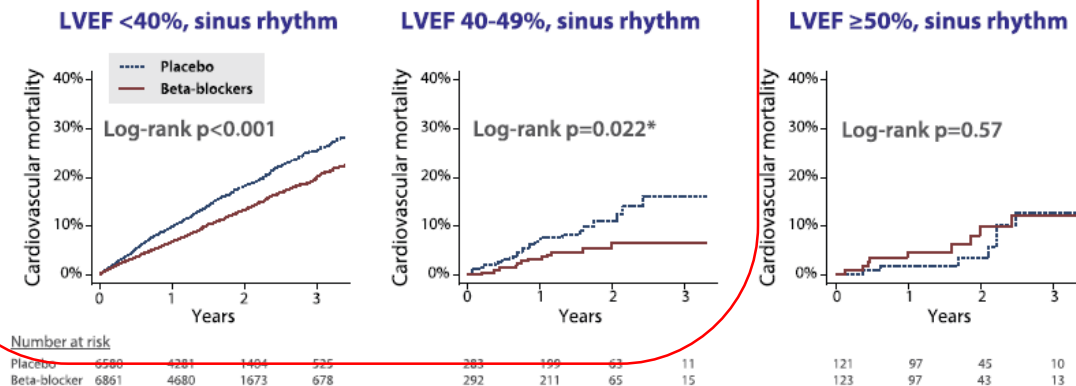
- The Beta-blockers in Heart Failure Collaborative Group (BBmeta-HF) pool individual patient data from 11 major HF RCTs : :Australia/New Zealand Heart Failure Study (ANZ), BEST, CAPRICORN, CHRISTMAS, CIBIC I, CIBIS II, COPERNICUS, MDC, MERIT-HF, SENIORS, U.S.Carvedilol HF Program (US-HF)
- to determine efficacy of beta blockers in mid range and preserved EF and also atrial fibrillation patients
- Though guidelines suggest to treat mid-range EF as HF-PEF, in practice most of these patients are treated as HFrEF
- 14262 patients in sinus rhythm, 3050 patients in atrial fibrillation
- Pts with **baseline LVEF** and ECG that showing either sinus rhythm or AF/atrial flutter included

Treat HFmEF like HFrEF

A All-cause mortality



B Cardiovascular mortality



Recommendations for treatment of patients with failure with preserved ejection fraction and heart failure with mid-range ejection fraction

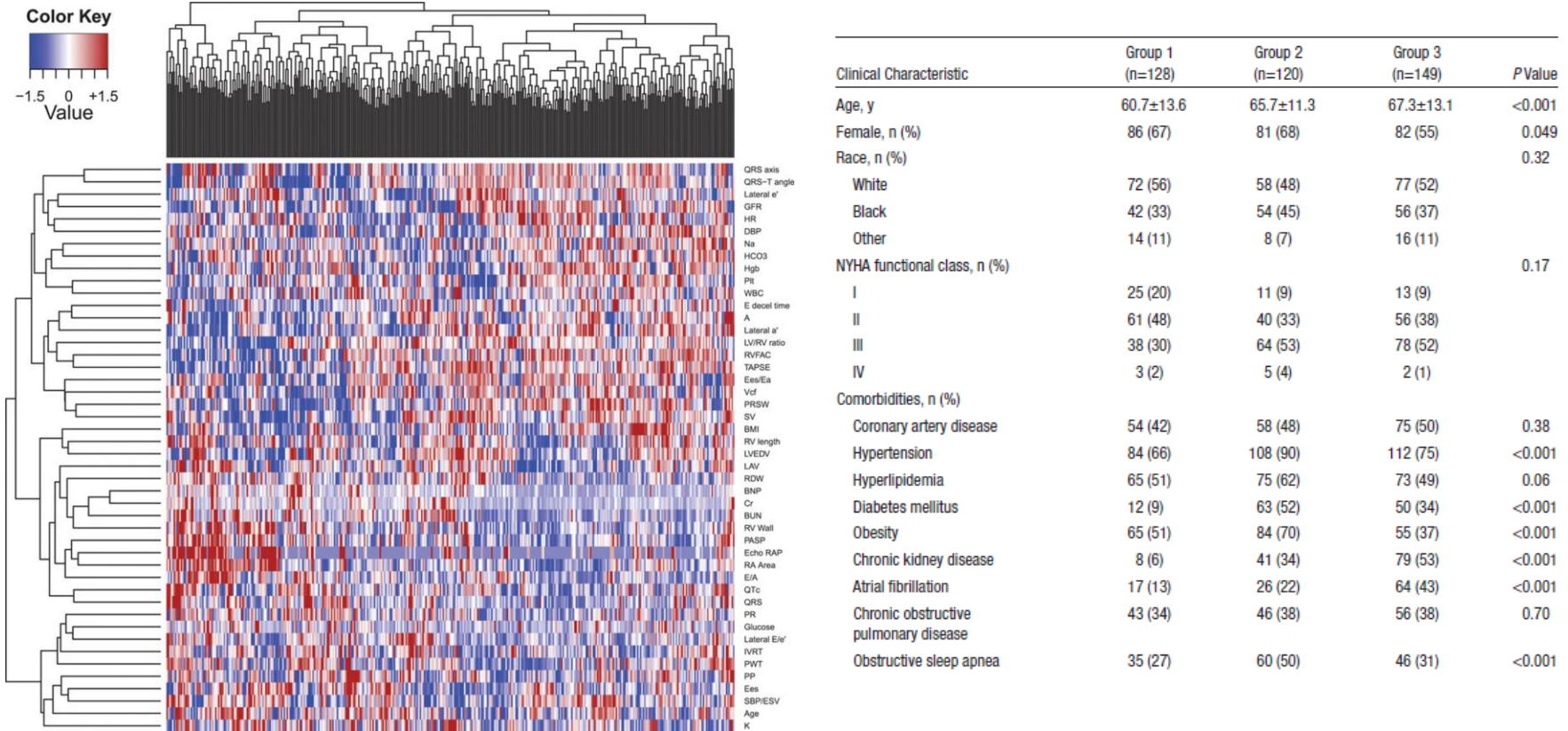
Recommendations	Class ^a	Level ^b
It is recommended to screen patients with HFpEF or HFmrEF for both cardiovascular and non-cardiovascular comorbidities, which, if present, should be treated provided safe and effective interventions exist to improve symptoms, well-being and/or prognosis.	I	C
Diuretics are recommended in congested patients with HFpEF or HFmrEF in order to alleviate symptoms and signs.	I	B

β-blockers improve outcomes for all pts with HF any reduced EF and in SR. Most robust for LVEF<40%, but similar benefit in LVEF 40–49 %

HFpEF

Targeted Therapies for Phenomapping / Subgrouping

Phenomapping Novel Classification of HFpEF

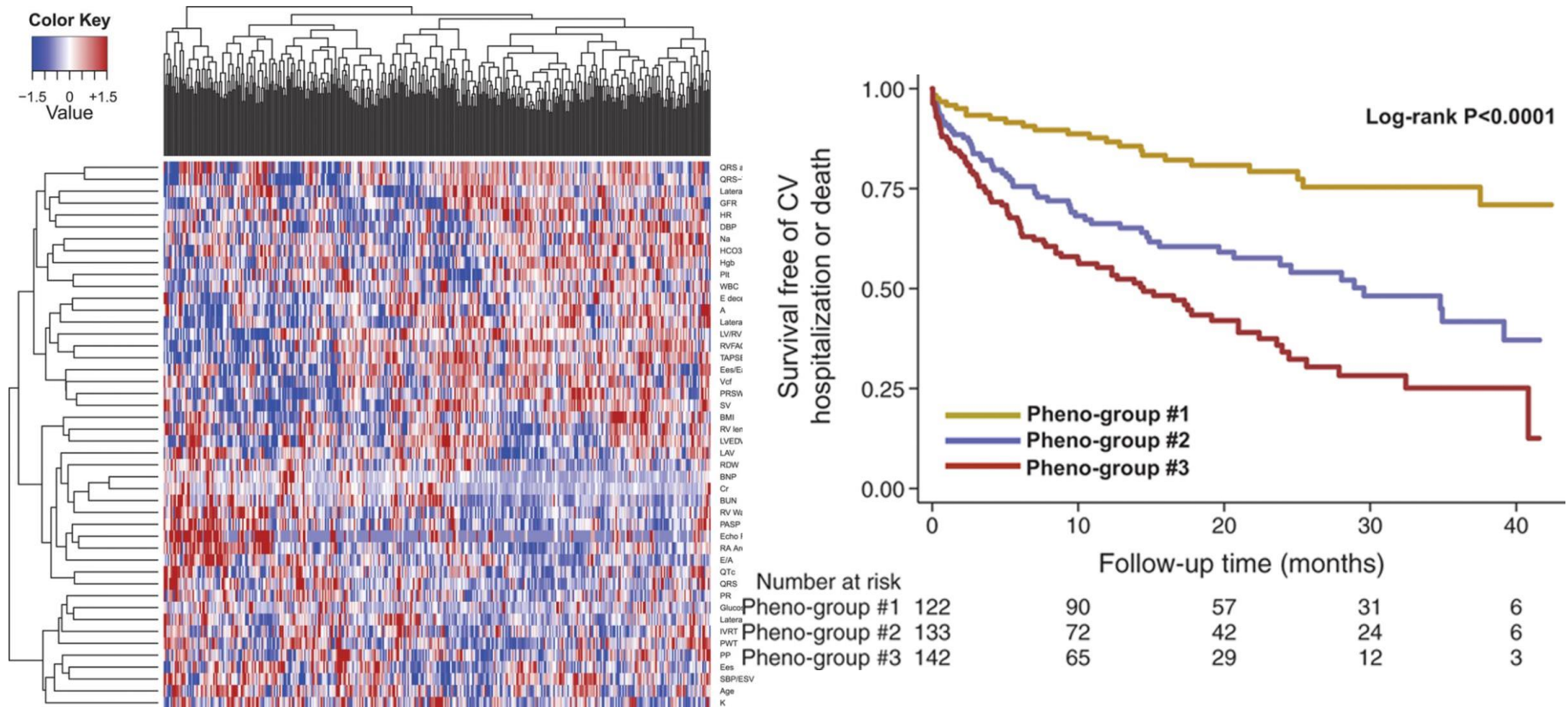


Phenogroup 1 younger, lower BNP

Phenogroup 2 obesity, DM and OSA

Phenogroup 3 oldest, with CKD , highest BNP and MAGGIC score

Phenomapping for Novel Classification of HFpEF



HFpEF Clinical Presentation Phenotypes

HFpEF Predisposition Phenotypes

	Lung Congestion	+Chronotropic Incompetence	+Pulmonary Hypertension (CpcPH)	+Skeletal muscle weakness	+Atrial Fibrillation
Overweight/obesity/ metabolic syndrome/ type 2 DM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diuretics (loop diuretic in DM) • Caloric restriction • Statins • Inorganic nitrite/nitrate • Sacubitril • Spironolactone 	+Rate adaptive atrial pacing	+Pulmonary vasodilators (e.g. PDE5I)	+Exercise training program	+Cardioversion + Rate Control +Anticoagulation
+ Arterial hypertension	+ACEI/ARB	+ACEI/ARB +Rate adaptive atrial pacing	+ACEI/ARB +Pulmonary vasodilators (e.g. PDE5I)	+ACEI/ARB +Exercise training program	+ACEI/ARB +Cardioversion + Rate Control +Anticoagulation
+Renal dysfunction	+Ultrafiltration if needed	+Ultrafiltration if needed +Rate adaptive atrial pacing	+Ultrafiltration if needed +Pulmonary vasodilators (e.g. PDE5I)	+Ultrafiltration if needed +Exercise training program	+Ultrafiltration if needed +Cardioversion + Rate Control +Anticoagulation
+CAD	+ACEI +Revascularization	+ACEI +Revascularization +Rate adaptive atrial pacing	+ACEI +Revascularization +Pulmonary vasodilators (e.g. PDE5I)	+ACEI +Revascularization +Exercise training program	+ACEI +Revascularization +Cardioversion + Rate Control +Anticoagulation

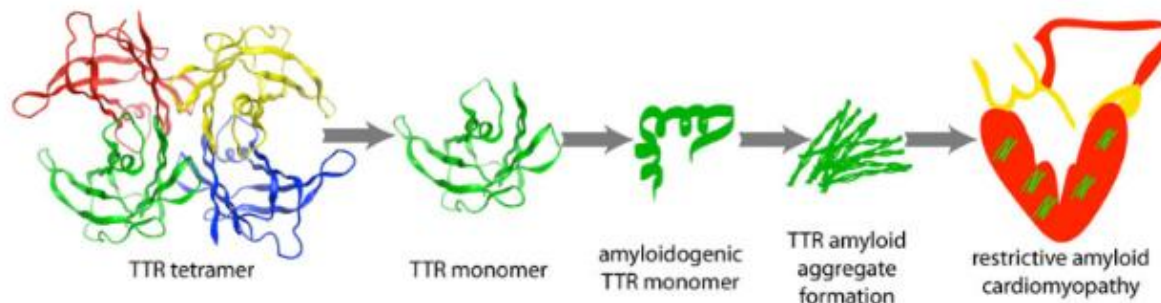
HFpEF

Targeted Therapies for Genotyping

Amyloidosis-TTR

- TTR is a carrier for thyroxine and retinol binding protein, made in liver
- originally called prealbumin
- dissociated transthyretin (TTR) monomers misfold and assemble into amyloid fibrils
- mutation in the TTR gene or aging facilitates dissociation of tetramer into monomers
- 2 distinct types of ATTR:
 - ❖ hereditary or mutated (mt-ATTR) : Autosomal Dominant
 - familial amyloid poly-neuropathy (FAP),
 - familial amyloid cardiomyopathy (FAC)
 - ❖ wild-type(wt-ATTR; senile systemic amyloidosis (SSA))

TTR Amyloid Cardiomyopathy



ATTR-ACT Study: Tafamidis: binds to transthyretin, preventing tetramer dissociation

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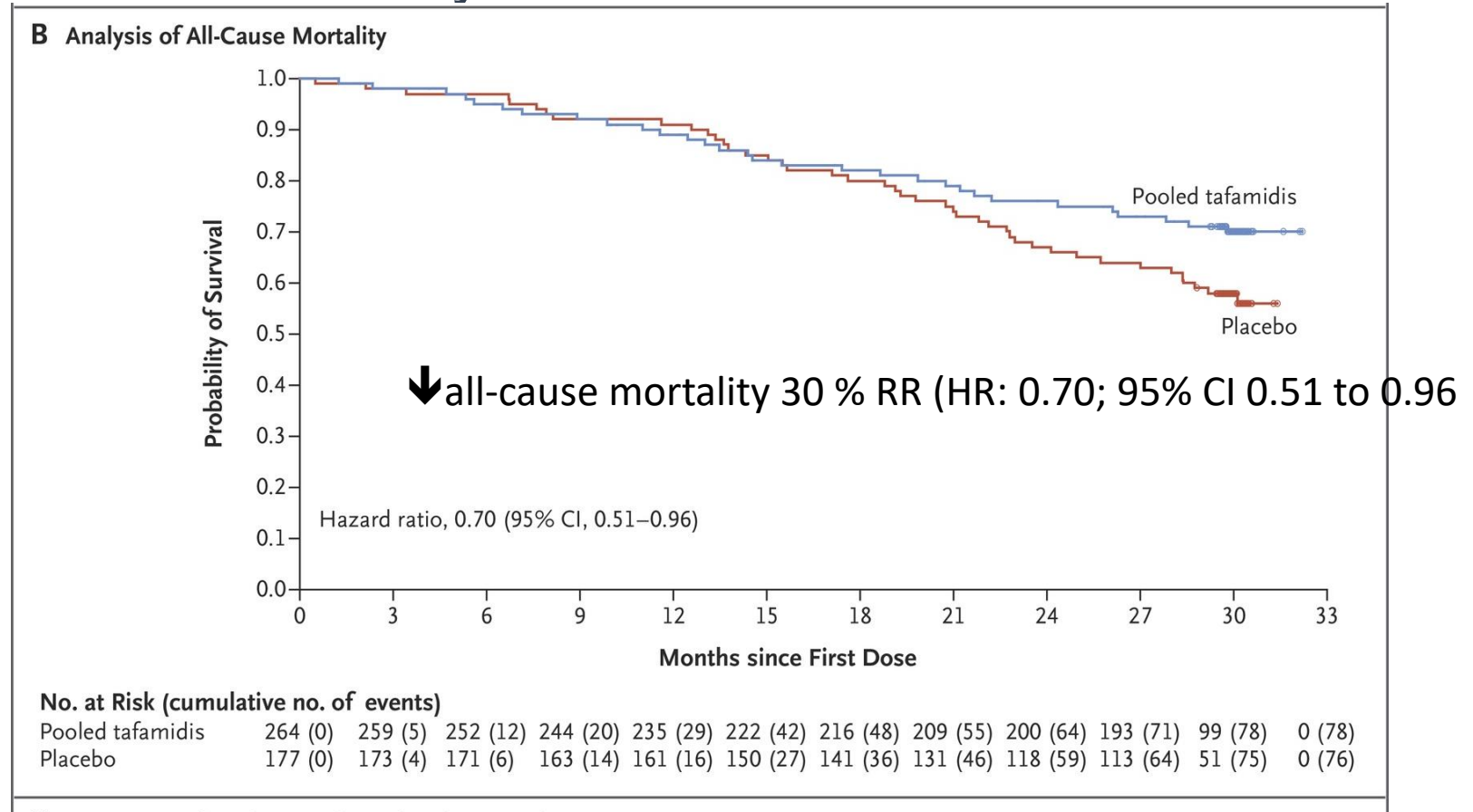
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Tafamidis Treatment for Patients with Transthyretin Amyloid Cardiomyopathy

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- 441 patients with transthyretin amyloid CMP
- 80 mg or 20 mg of tafamidis, or placebo for 30 months.
- hierarchical assessment of all-cause mortality, followed by CVH

ATTR-ACT Study: Tafamidis



ATTR-ACT Study: Tafamidis Secondary End-Points

- ↓ CV hospitalizations 32 % RR (RRR 0.68, 95% CI, 0.56 to 0.81)
- lower rate of decline in 6-minute walk test ($P < 0.001$)
- lower rate of decline in QOL by KCCQ-OS score ($P < 0.001$)

In patients with transthyretin amyloid cardiomyopathy, tafamidis was associated with reductions in all-cause mortality and CV hospitalizations and reduced the decline in functional capacity and QOL

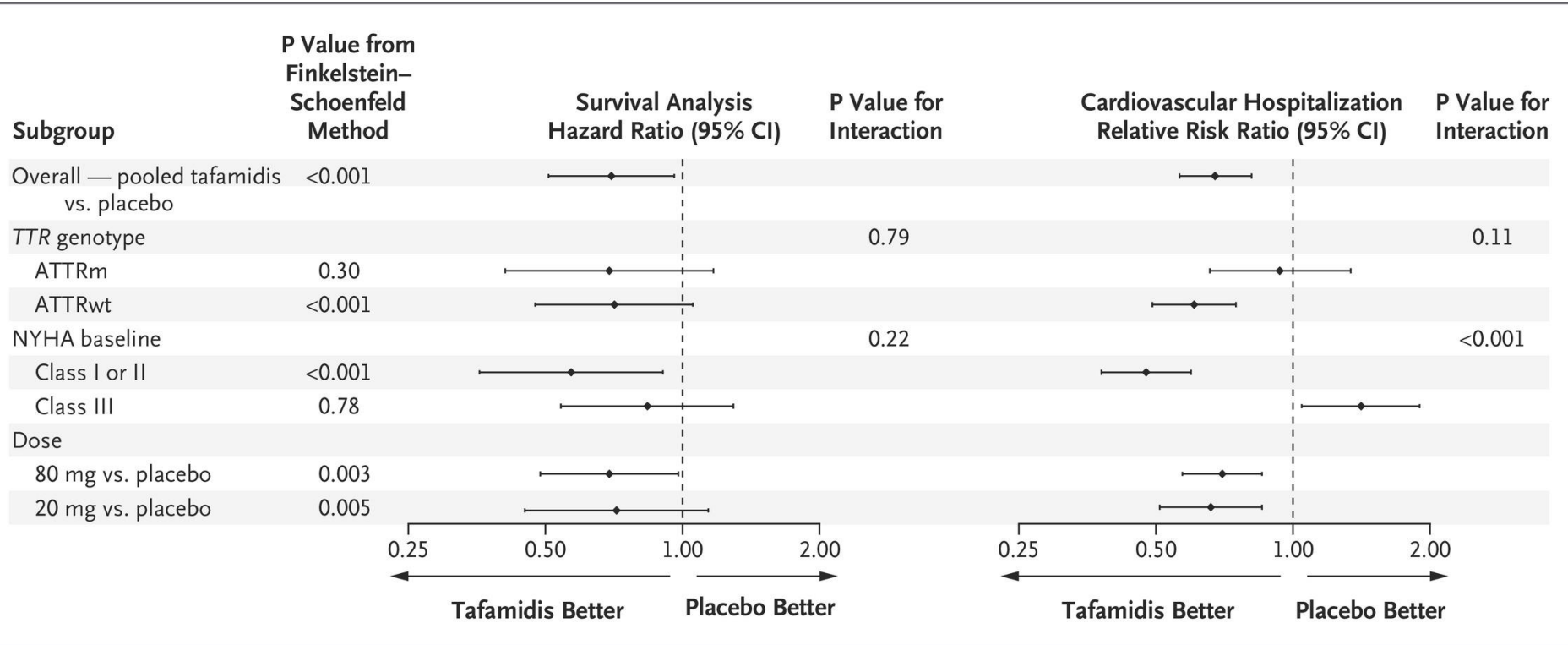


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Tafamidis: Subgroup analysis



PATISIRAN: interfering RNAs (siRNAs) control gene expression by mediating the cleavage mRNAs.

- IV infusion every 3 weeks.
- APOLLO clinical trial, patisiran (n=148) showed significantly improved scores on the Neuropathy Impairment Score+7 and Norfolk Quality of Life Questionnaire–Diabetic Neuropathy (QOL-DN) at 18 months, compared with those taking placebo (n=77) ($P < 0.001$).
- FDA approved for FAP

INOTERSEN:

Antisense oligonucleotide that causes degradation of mutant and wild-type transthyretin mRNA by binding TTR mRNA → reduced TTR protein levels

- Sq inj once/week
- NEURO-TTR Trial : Stage 1 or 2 hATTR with polyneuropathy (n=172) randomized to weekly inotersen or placebo. Scores on the mNIS+7 and the QOL-DN showed improvement ($P < 0.001$).
- FDA approved for FAP Oct 2018

Adams D, et al Patisiran, an RNAi Therapeutic, for Hereditary Transthyretin Amyloidosis. N Engl J Med. 2018 Jul 5. 379 (1):11-21.
Benson MD, et al. Inotersen Treatment for Patients with Hereditary Transthyretin Amyloidosis. N Engl J Med. 2018 Jul 5;. 379(1):22-31.

Tafamidis binds and stabilizes TTR

- Halt TTR tetramer dissociation, monomer misfolding
- Early intervention: minimal disease progression > 5yrs years in FAP.
- decreased rate of progression(European Medical Agency in 2011 for stage I of neuropathic ATTR)

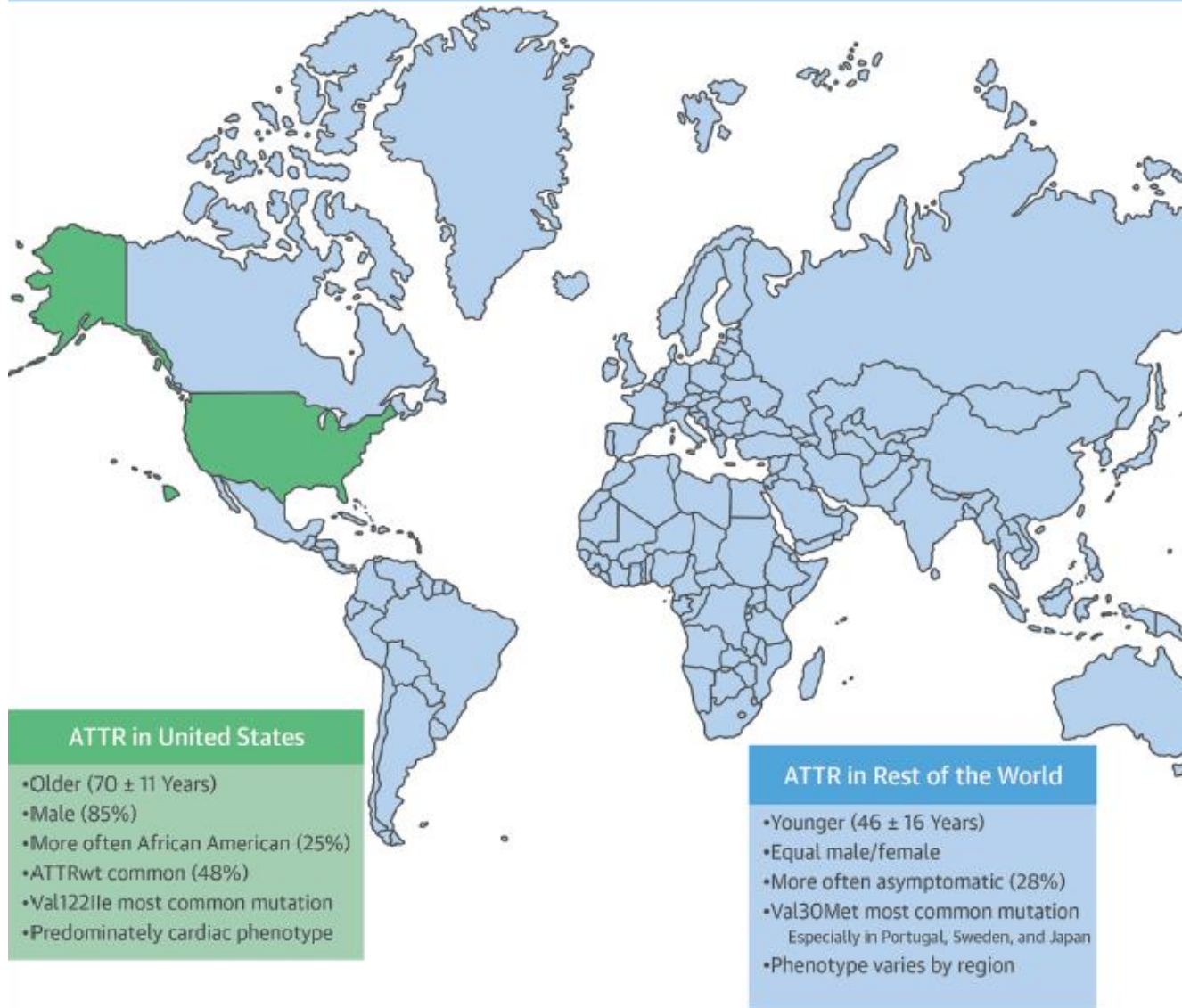
Diflunisal: NSAID drug approved for treatment of arthritis.

- complexes to the thyroxine binding site , stabilizes circulating TTR tetramers, inh release of monomer
- RCT stage I-II ATTR-FAP, improved QOL s and reduced neurological impairment .(off-label)

Tolcapone FDA approved for Parkinson disease (Orphan Drug designation –ATTR)

- Occupies the T₄-binding sites, stabilizing the tetramer
- docks better than tafamidis in wt-TTR.

Transthyretin Amyloid Outcomes Survey (THAOS)



Among U.S. subjects

- **wild-type:**
 - older and white
 - more males
- **Val122Ile mutations**
 - more African descent%
 - worse NYHA, faster HR, and lower QOL

Maurer MS et al. J
Am Coll Cardiol 68
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Heart Failure

Stage C/D Treatment Strategies Need to be Individualized for

Patient's severity of illness and trajectory

Responsiveness to therapy

Goals of care

Comorbidities and side effect profile

Tolerability

Phenogroups

Summary

- Confirm diagnosis of HF-PEF
- Consider different etiologies and precipitating factors
- Treatments may differ based on etiology
- Treat volume overload carefully
- Treatment of HTN is key
- In appropriately selected patients with HFpEF (elevated BNP levels or HF admission within 1 year, estimated glomerular filtration rate >30 mL/min, creatinine <2.5 mg/dL, potassium <5.0 mEq/L), aldosterone receptor antagonists might be considered to decrease hospitalizations
- Routine use of nitrates or PDE5 inhibitors in patients with HFpEF is ineffective
- New targeted and individualized treatment strategies are evolving



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Ongoing HFpEF clinical trials

