

# What's new in HF?

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# Learning Objectives

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- Classification of Heart Failure
- Review some key points from 2022 HF Guidelines
- What's in HFrEF? HFmrEF? HFpEF?
- Who is an Advanced Heart Failure Patient?

## Heart Failure Statistics

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- Increasing prevalence (6.5 million in US)
- Mean age of diagnosis: mid 70's
- High symptom burden (average KCCQ 55)
- Overall mortality remains high, 40% @ 5 years after diagnosis
- High Hospitalization rates (20% at 30 days;60% at 12 months)

## Heart Success not Heart Failure

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So why am I  
optimistic?

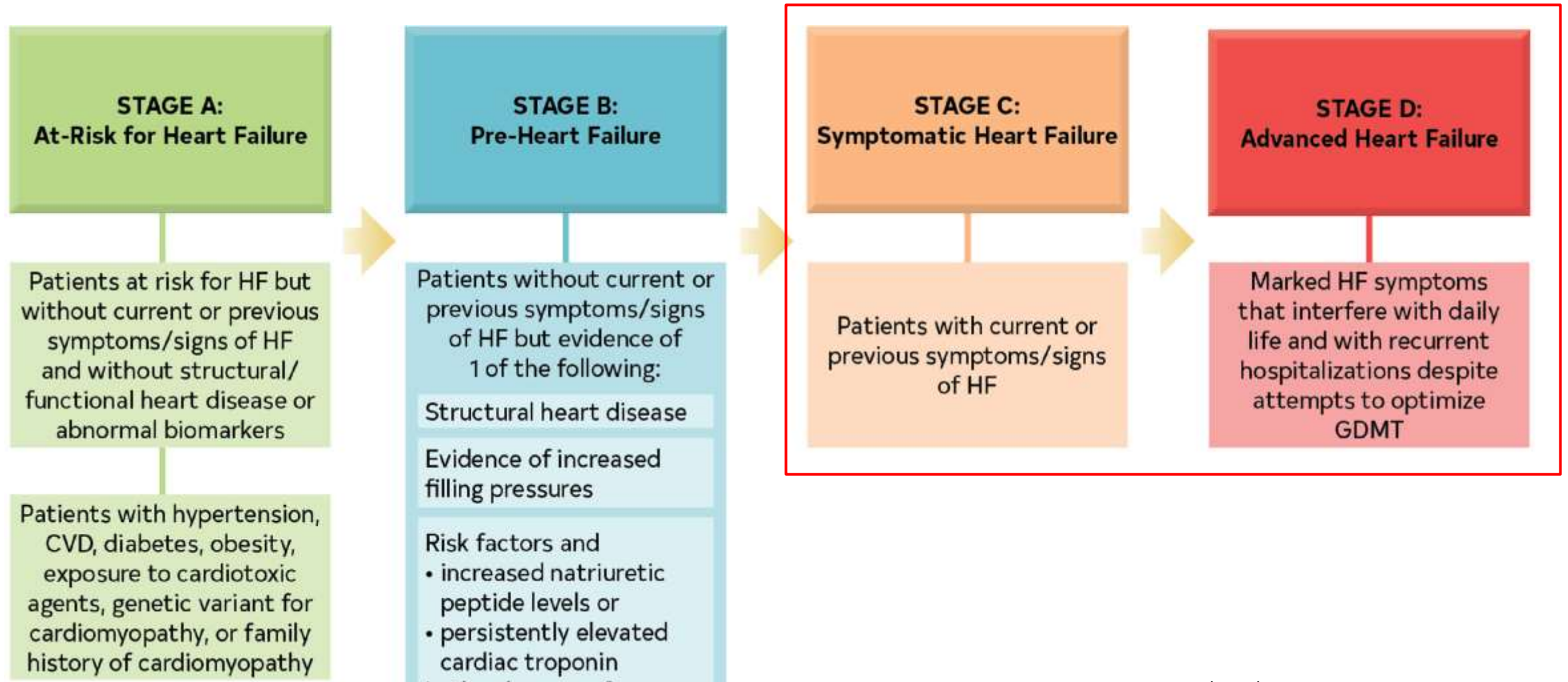
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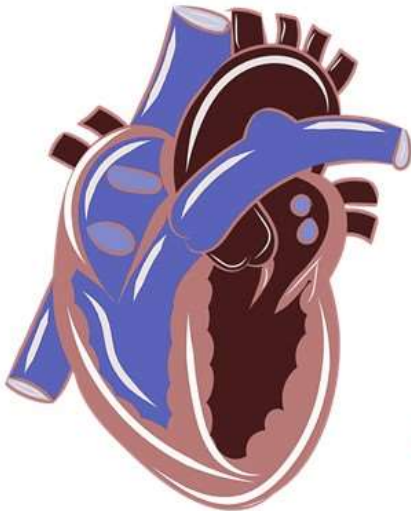
# Staging of Heart Failure



# Classification of Heart Failure

## NEW CLASSIFICATIONS FOR EJECTION FRACTION IN HEART FAILURE

**EJECTION FRACTION CLASSIFICATIONS:**



- HEART FAILURE WITH REDUCED EF (HFREF) = LVEF  $\leq$  40%
- HEART FAILURE WITH MILDLY REDUCED EF (HFMR EF) = LVEF 41-49%
- HEART FAILURE WITH PRESERVED EF (HFpEF) = LVEF  $\geq$  50%
- HEART FAILURE WITH IMPROVED EF (HFIMPEF) =  
BASELINE LVEF  $\leq$  40%, A 10-POINT  $\uparrow$  IN EF, AND A 2<sup>ND</sup> LVEF  $>$  40%

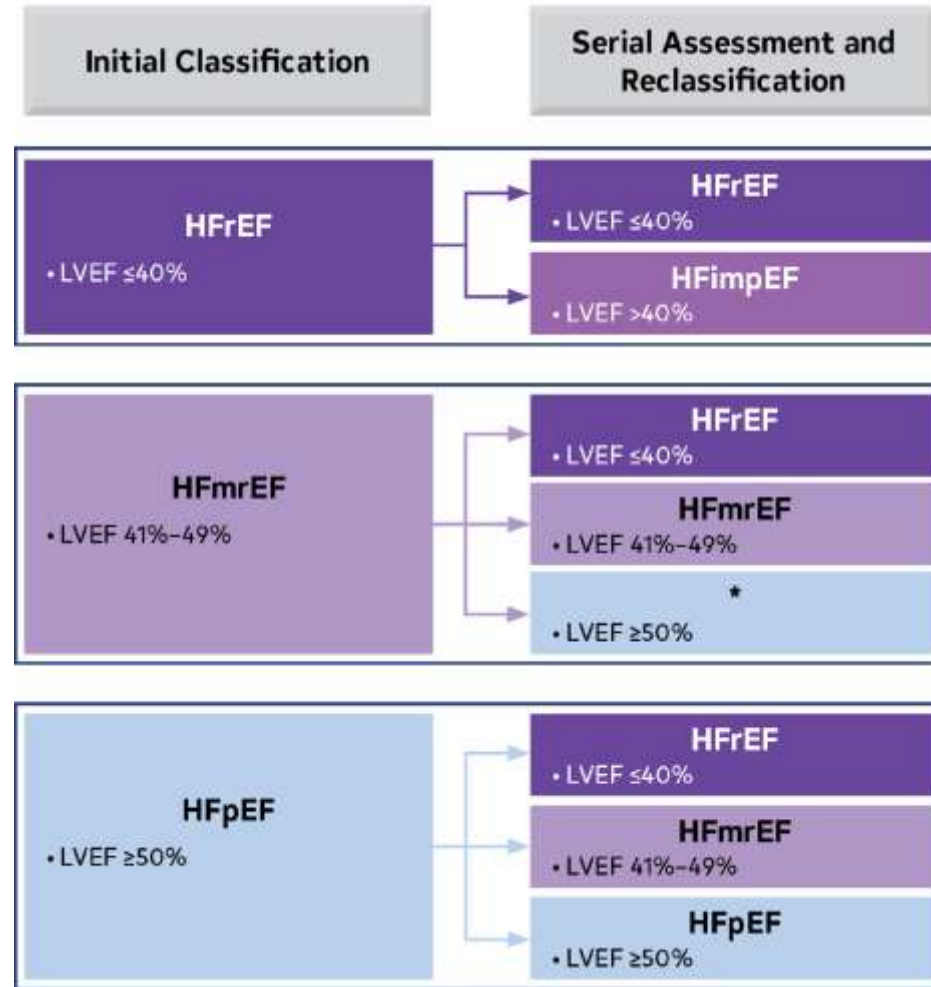
EF=EJECTION FRACTION

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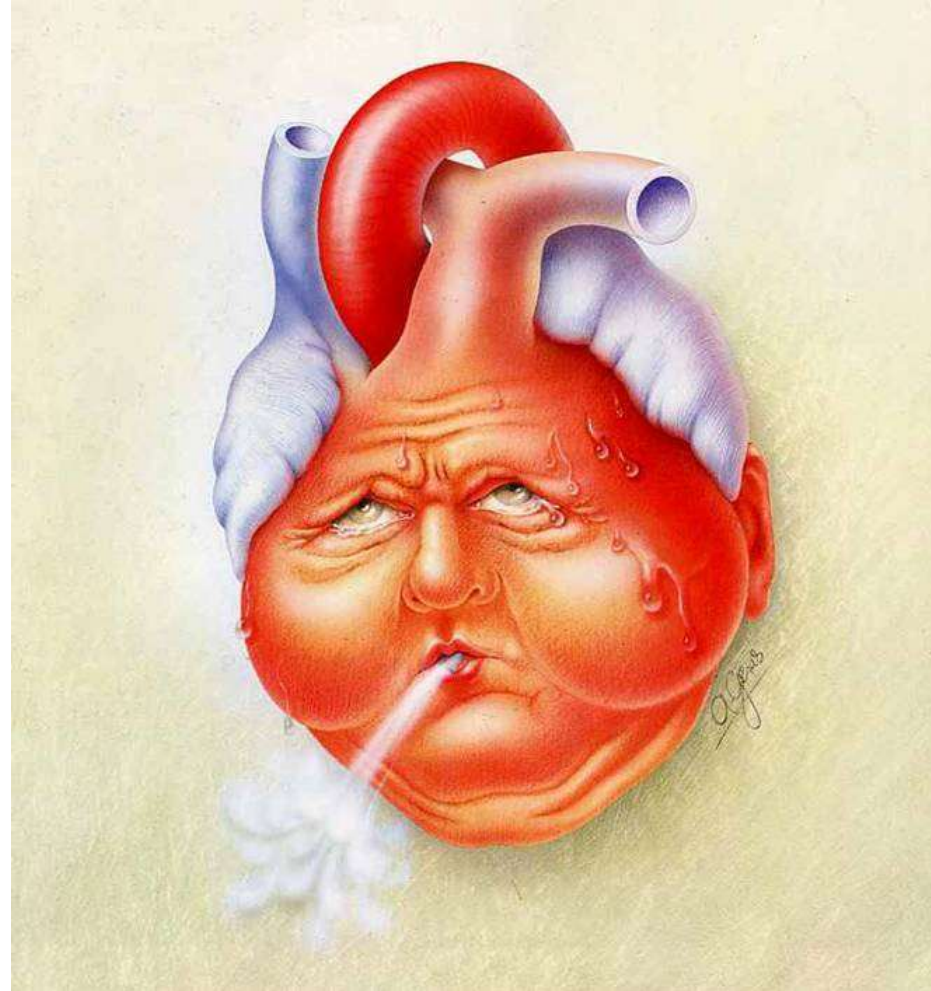
# Classification of Heart Failure



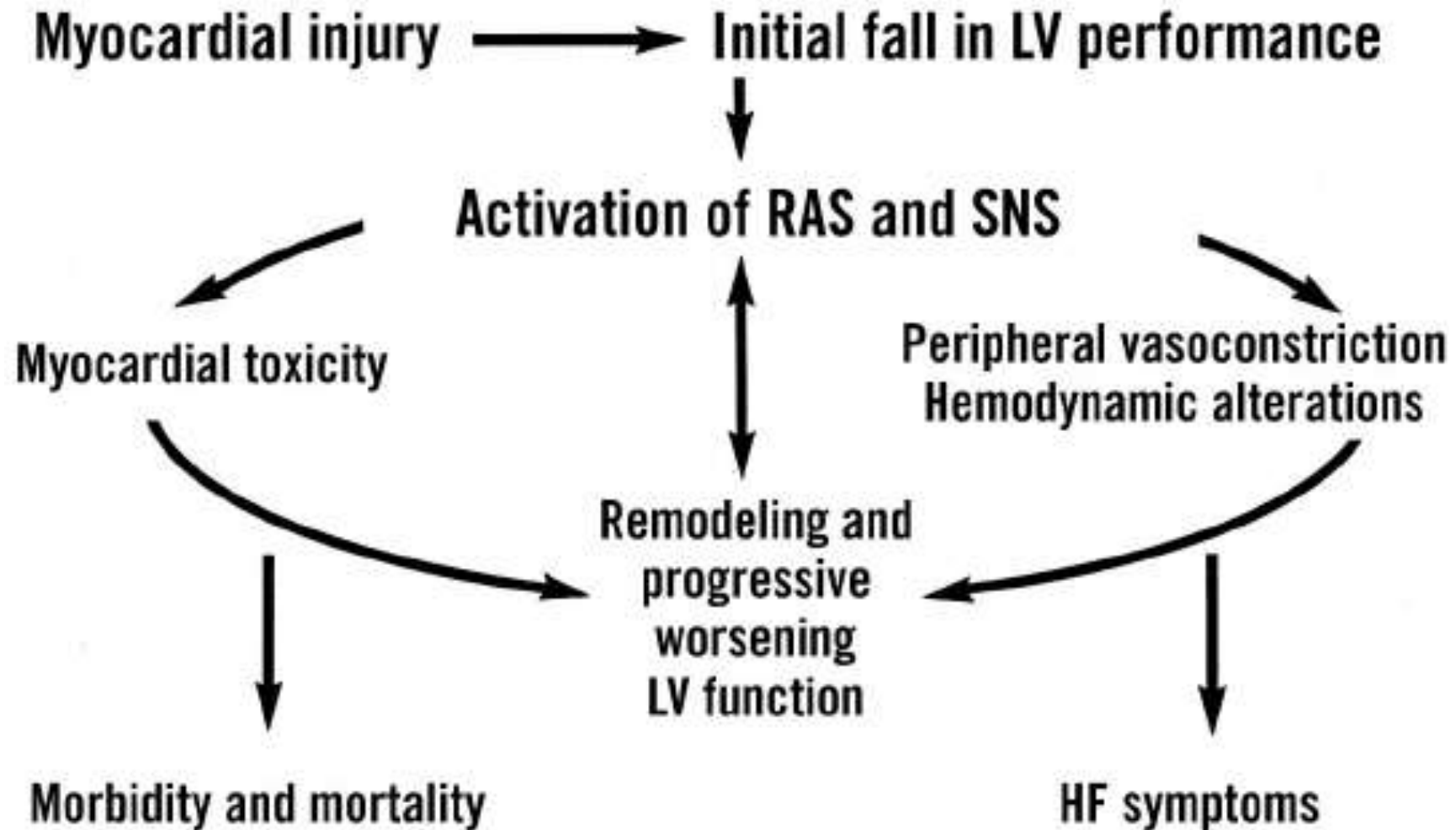


# Heart Failure with Reduced Ejection Fraction

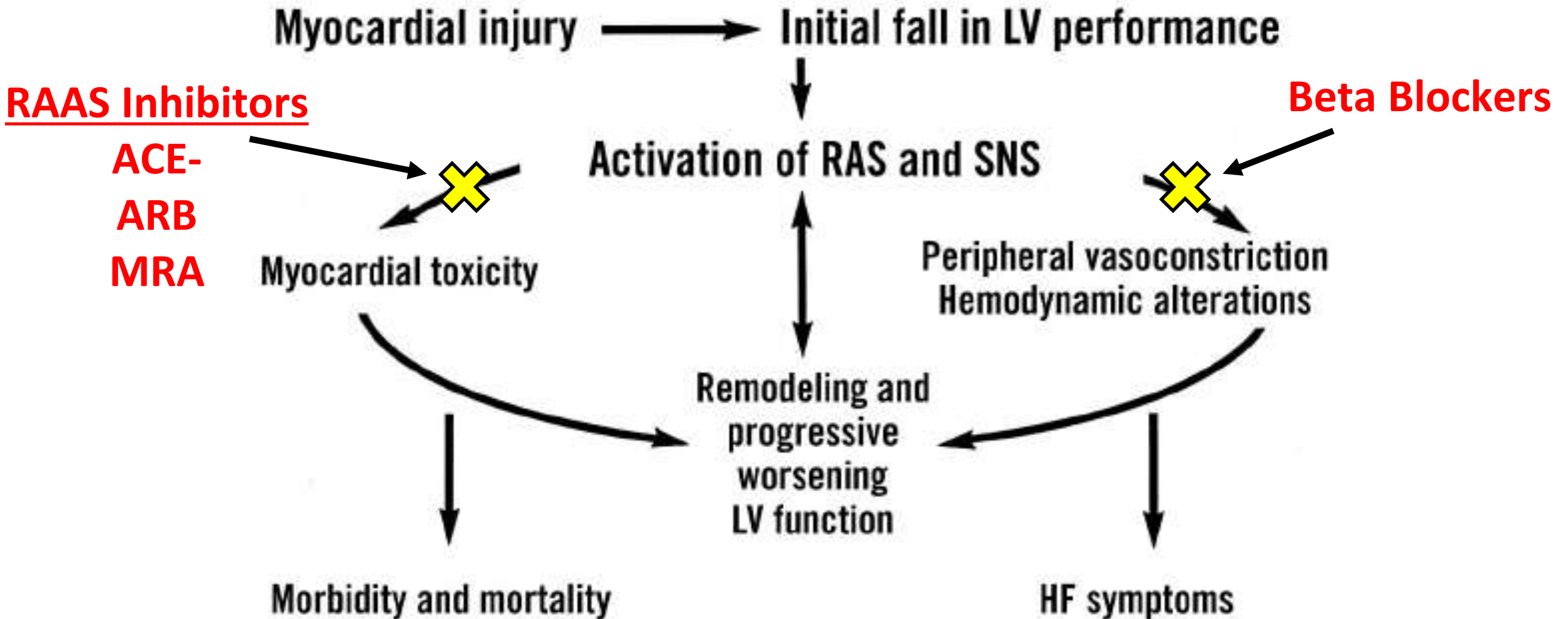
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# Pathophysiology of Heart Failure



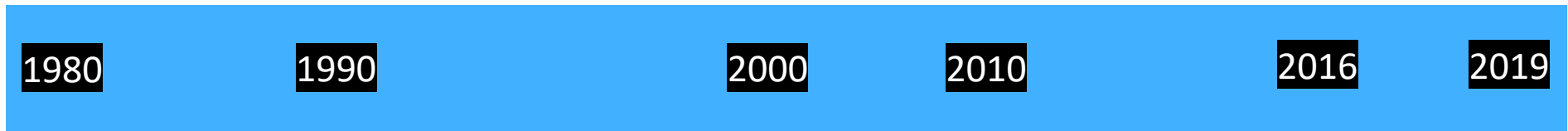
# Pathophysiology of Heart Failure



# Advancements in Medical Therapy for HFrEF

Device  
Advances

ICD, LVAD, CRT



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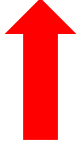
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2010

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Digitalis  
Diuretics

Beta Blockers  
ACE-  
ARB  
Aldosterone Antagonists  
Isosorbide + hydralazine

Ivabradine

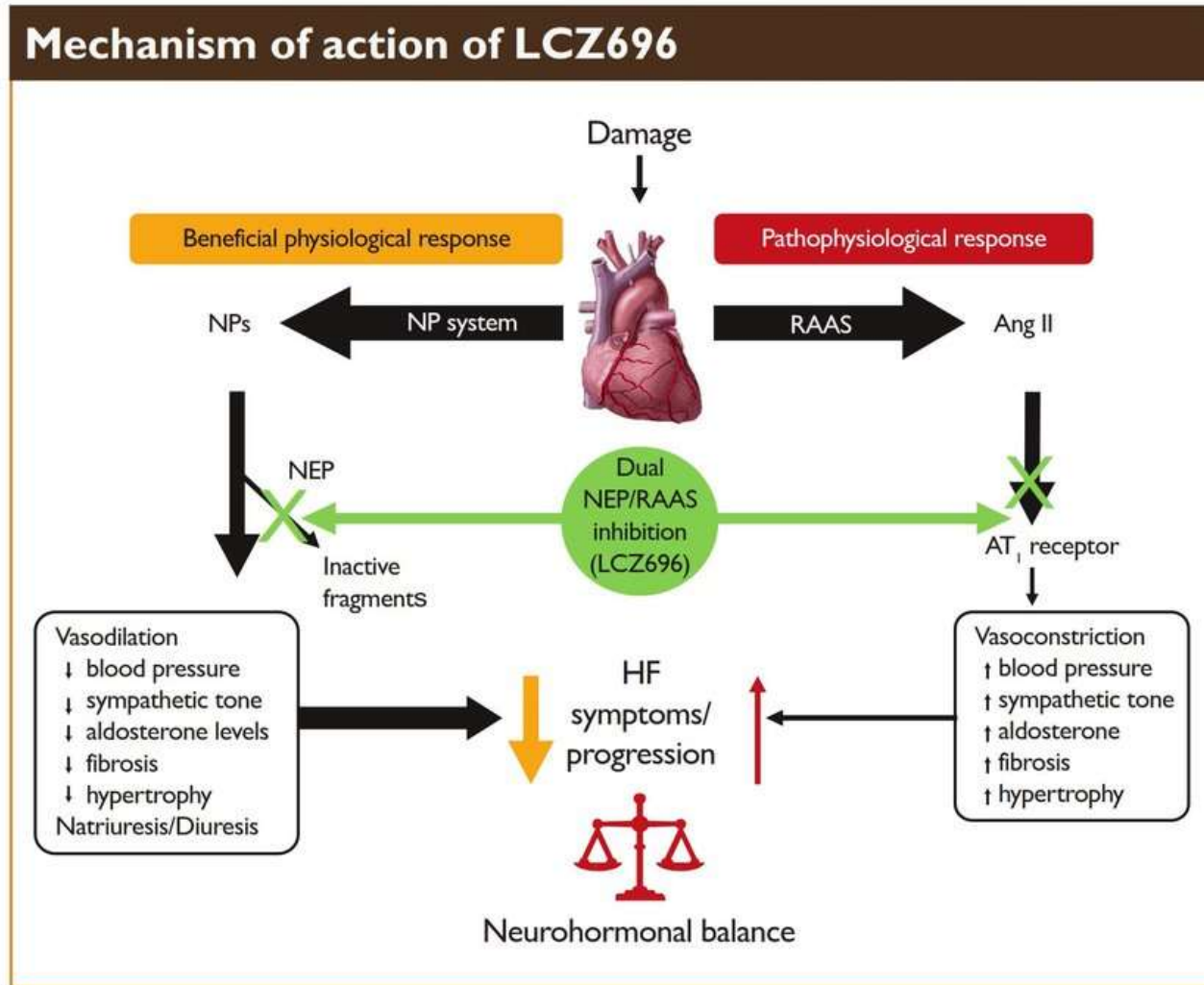
ARNI

SGLT2-

Pharmaceutical  
Advances

**In Last 15 years, we have 2  
novel new pathways in  
HFrEF**

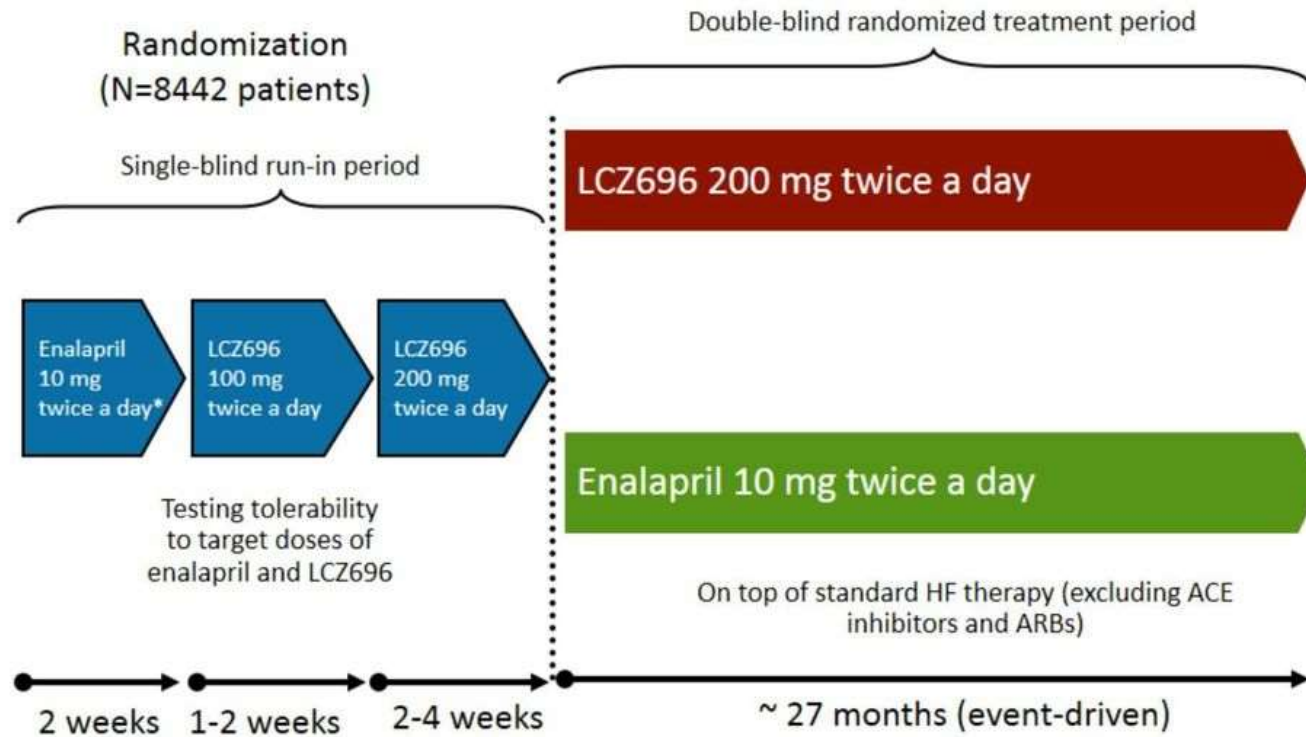
# ARNI (sacubitril/valsartan): Heart Failure Mechanism



Angiotensin-converting enzyme (**ACE**)  
Angiotensin receptor blockers (**ARBs**)  
Mineralocorticoid receptor antagonists (**MRAs**)  
  
Beta Blockers

# PARADIGM-HF Study Design: ARNI (sacubitril/valsartan):

## PARADIGM-HF: Study Design

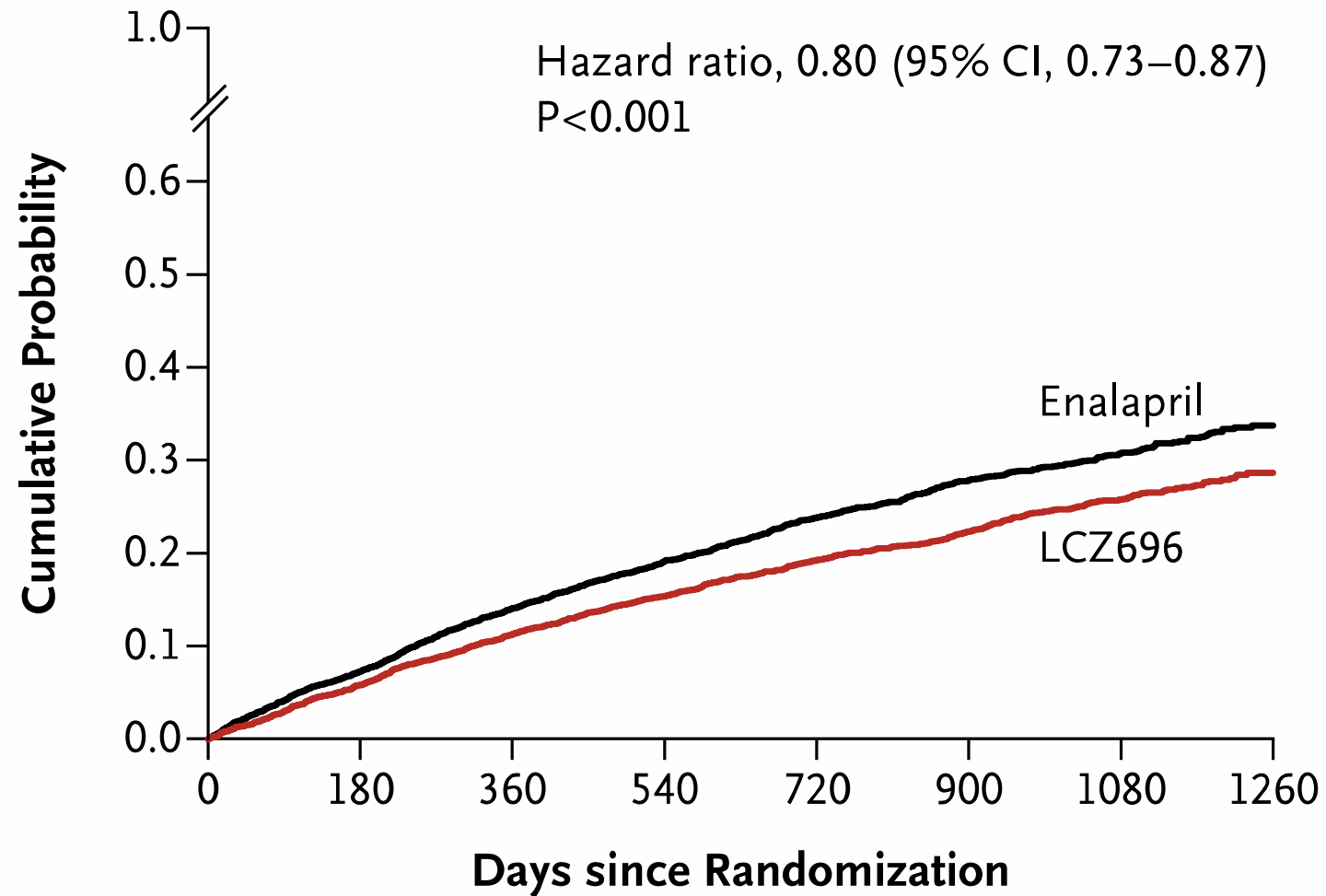


\*Enalapril 5 mg twice a day for 1-2 weeks followed by enalapril 10 mg twice a day as an optional starting run-in dose for those patients who are treated with ARBs or with low dose of ACE inhibitor

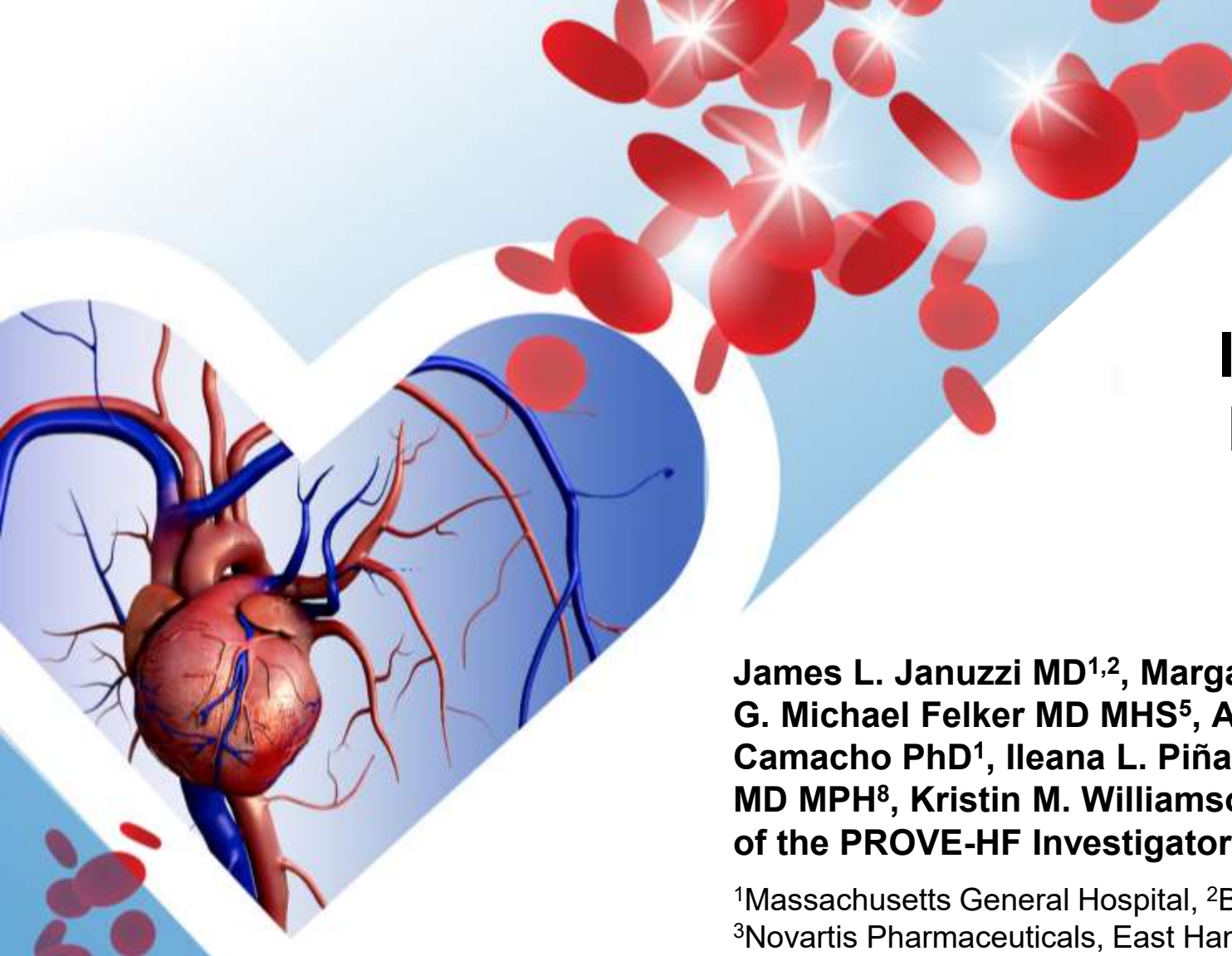
Primary outcome: CV death or HF hospitalization  
Powered for CV death

McMurray JJ, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2014;371:993-1004.

# PARADIGM-HF: CV Death or Hospitalization



**20% RRR**



**Prospective Study of  
Biomarkers, Symptom  
Improvement and Ventricular  
Remodeling During Entresto  
Therapy for Heart Failure  
(*PROVE-HF; NCT02887183*)**

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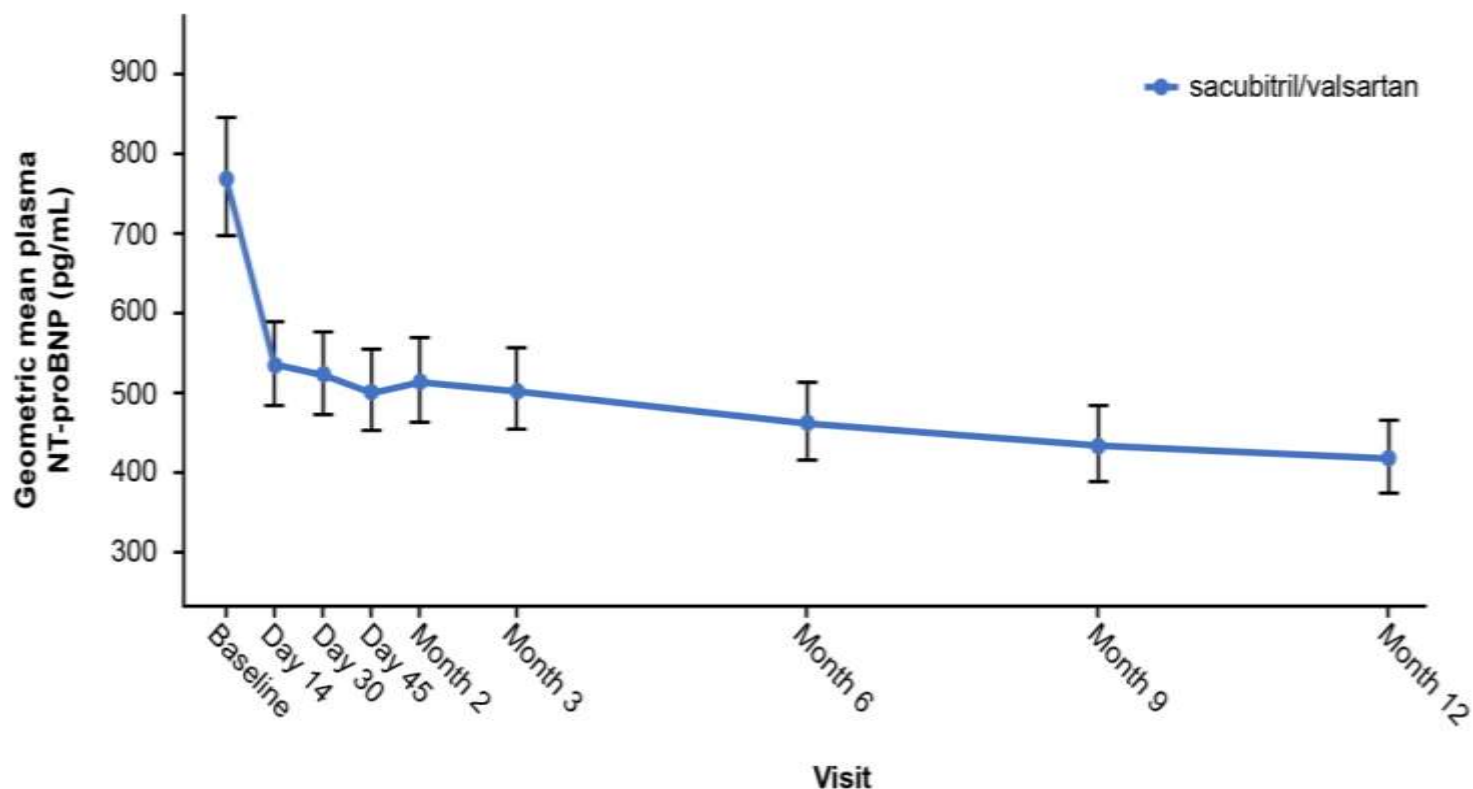
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Together with



# NT-proBNP concentrations

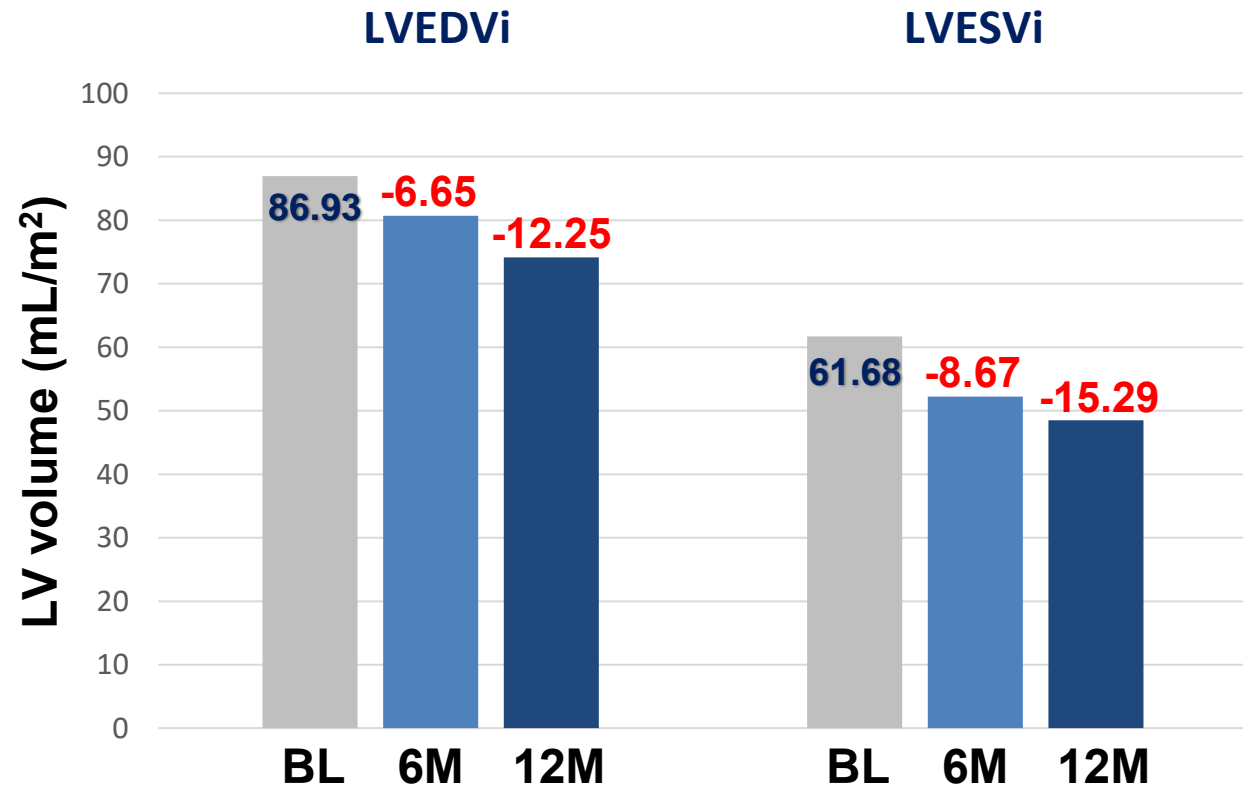
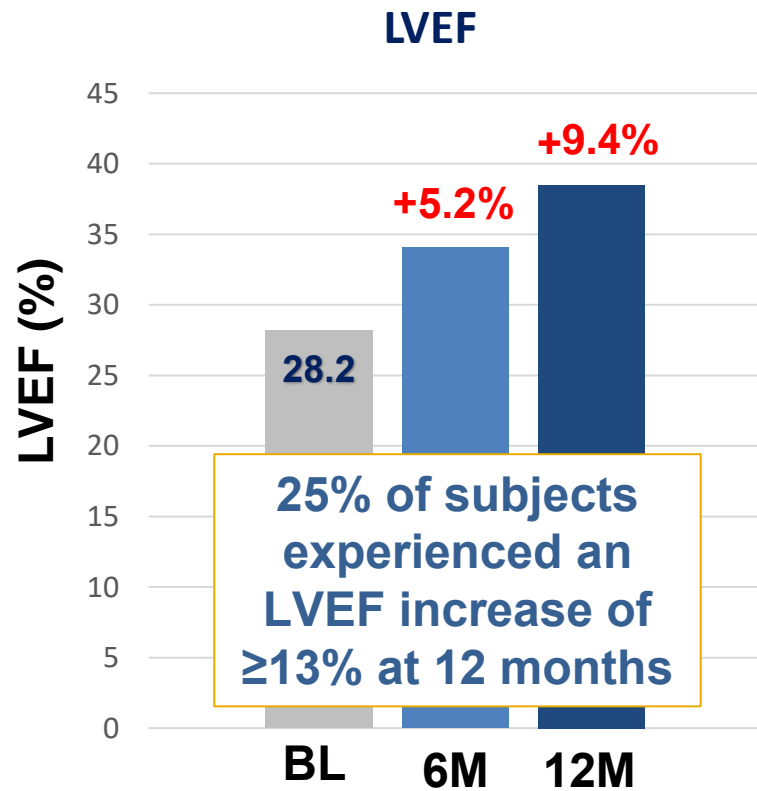
*Rapid and significant reduction of NT-proBNP was observed, with majority of reduction within the first 2 weeks*



Time point	N	Median NT-proBNP (25th, 75th percentile), pg/mL
Baseline	760	816 (332, 1822)
Day 14	754	528 (226, 1378)
Day 30	740	546 (211, 1321)
Day 45	734	514 (192, 1297)
Month 2	721	535 (210, 1299)
Month 3	719	488 (211, 1315)
Month 6	699	473 (179, 1163)
Month 9	659	444 (170, 1153)
Month 12	638	455 (153, 1090)

# Reverse cardiac remodeling

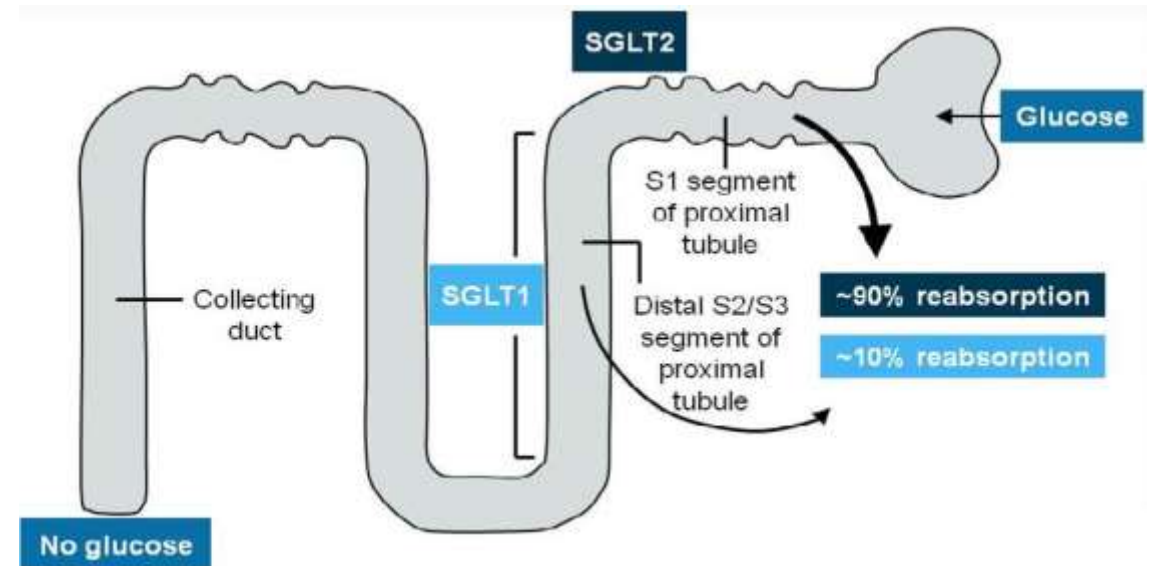
Baseline to 12 months: all P <.001



BL, baseline; LVEF, left ventricular ejection fraction; LVEDVi, left ventricular end-diastolic volume index; LVESVi, left ventricular end-systolic volume index

## SGLT2- in Heart Failure

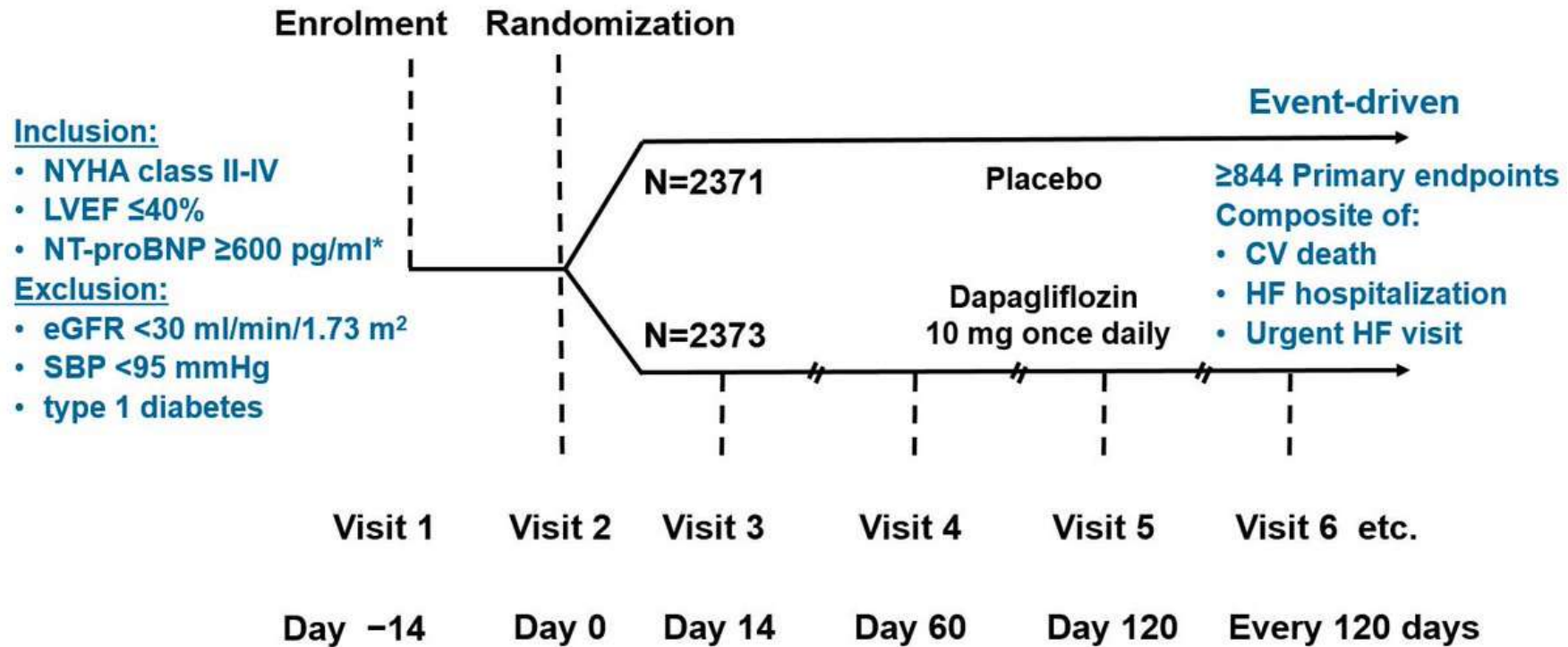
- 2008, FDA required that any approved therapy for type 2 diabetes demonstrate cardiovascular safety.
- Multiple SGLT2i were deemed not only safe, but also effective in reducing atherosclerotic and HF events.



# DAPA HF Trial

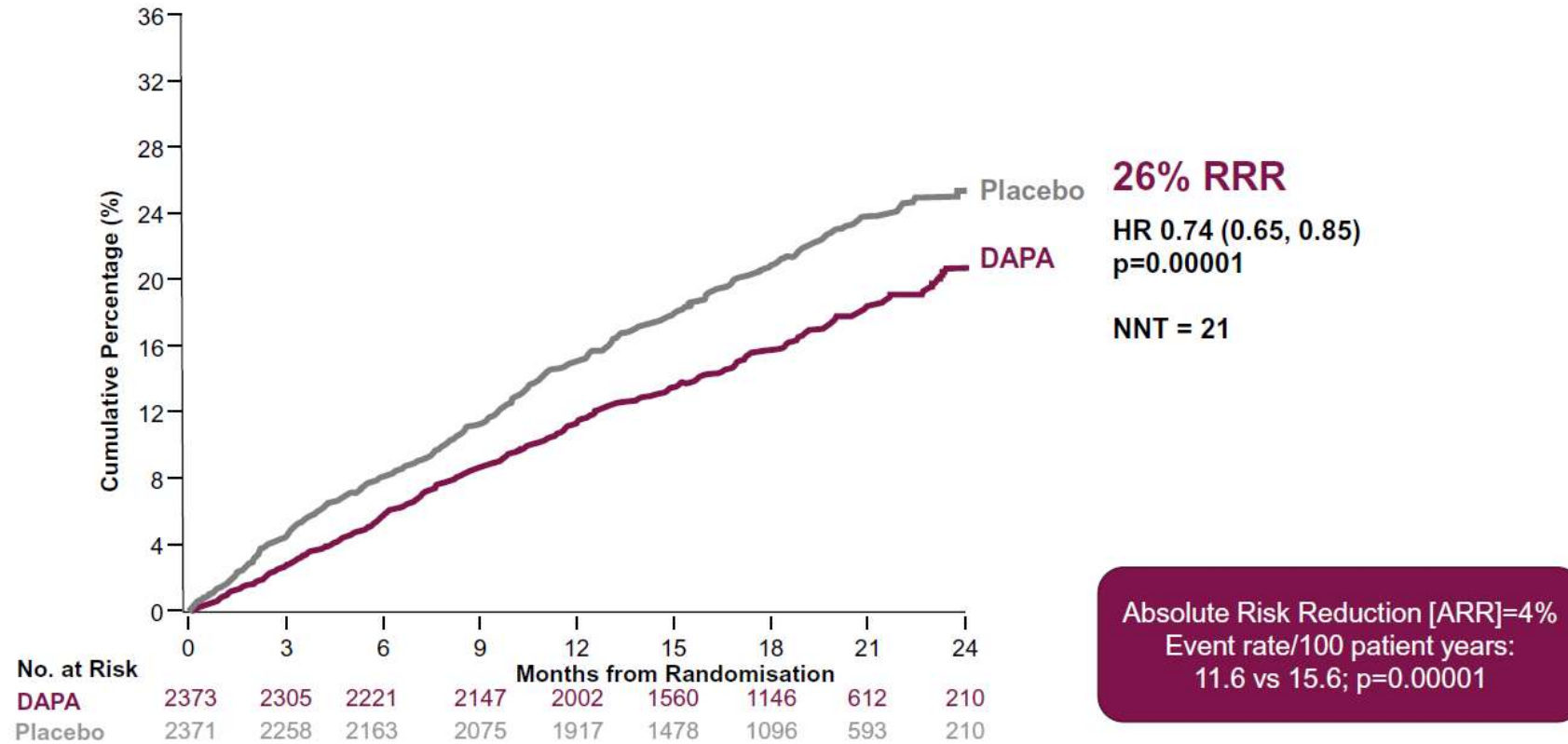
## DAPA-HF Design

4,744 patients 20 countries



\* $\geq 400$  pg/ml if HF hospitalization within  $\leq 12$  months;  $\geq 900$  pg/ml if atrial fibrillation/flutter

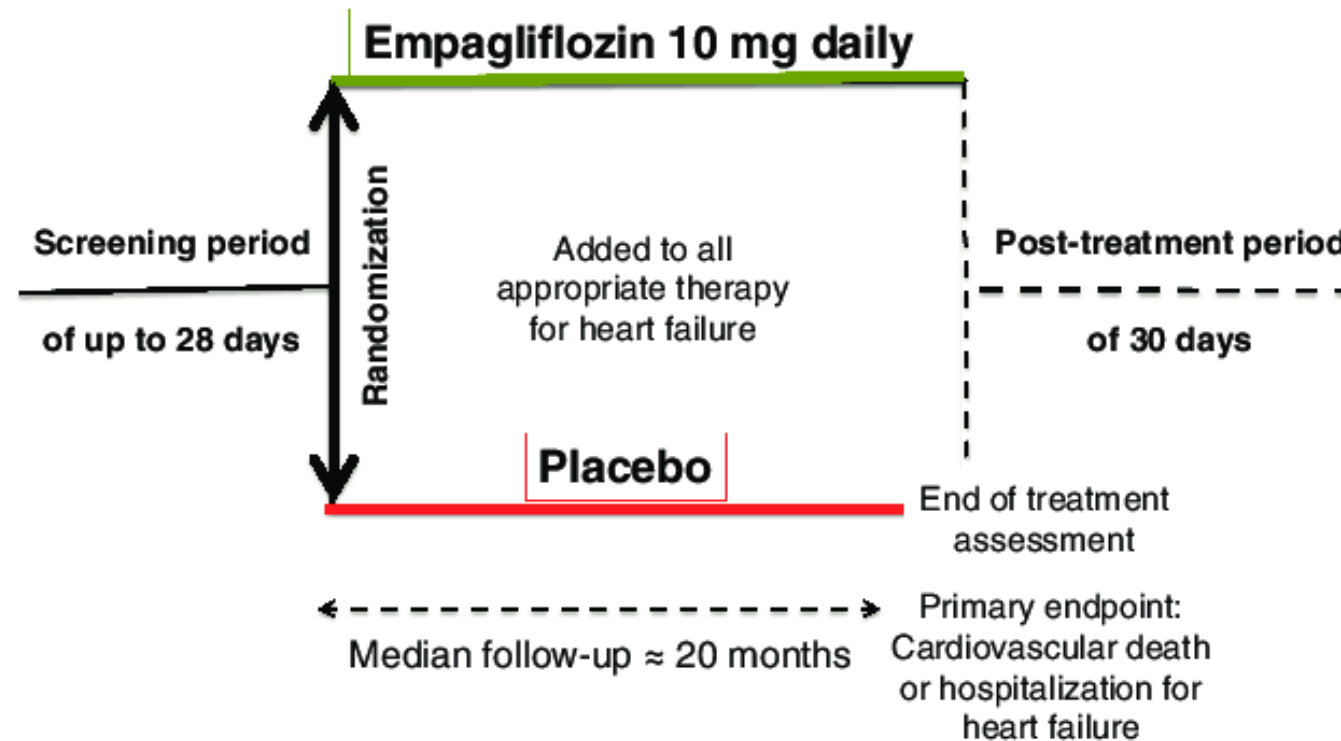
## Primary Endpoint: CV Death or hHF or an Urgent HF Visit



DAPA = dapagliflozin; HF = heart failure; hHF = hospitalisation for heart failure; HR = hazard ratio; NNT = number needed to treat.

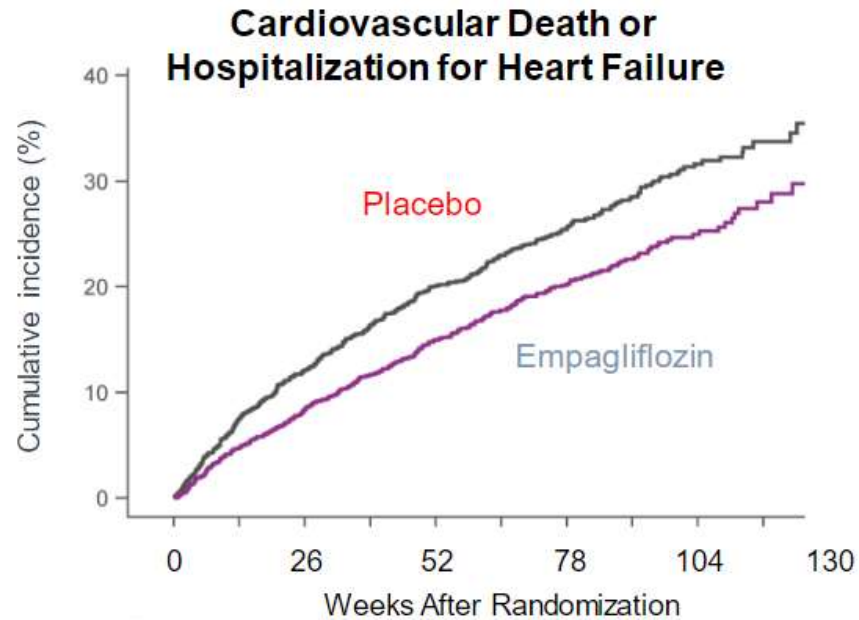
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## EMPEROR-Reduced Trial Schematic

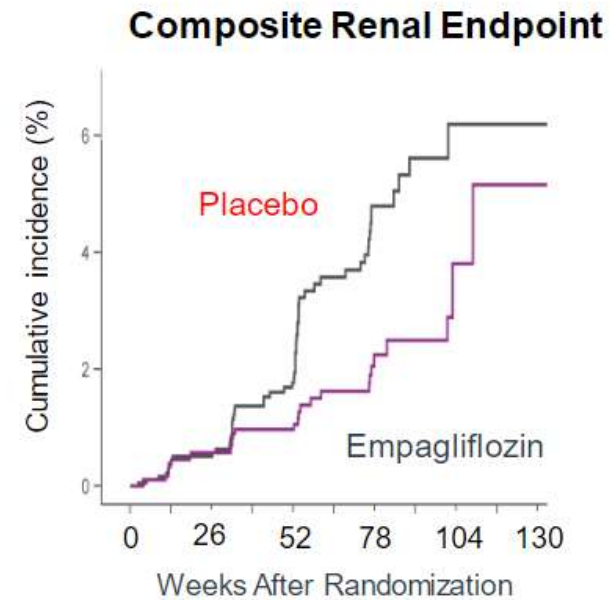


# EMPEROR-Reduced Trial

## Empagliflozin Prevented Both Serious Heart Failure and Serious Kidney Failure Events



**Hazard ratio 0.75 (25% reduction in risk)**  
(95% CI 0.65, 0.86), P < 0.0001



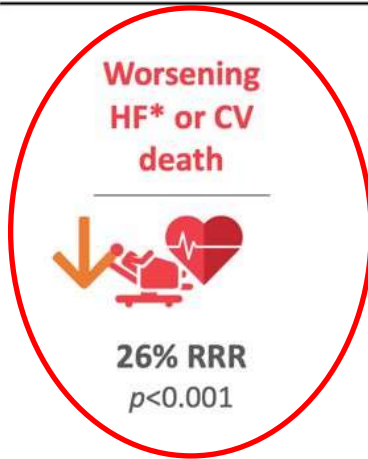
**Hazard ratio 0.50 (50% reduction in risk)**  
(95% CI 0.32, 0.77), P = 0.0019

# SGLT2- in HFrEF

## Primary outcome and components of primary outcome

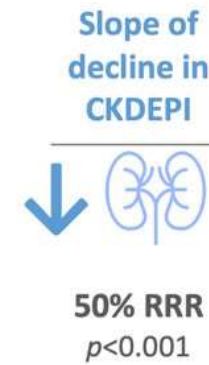
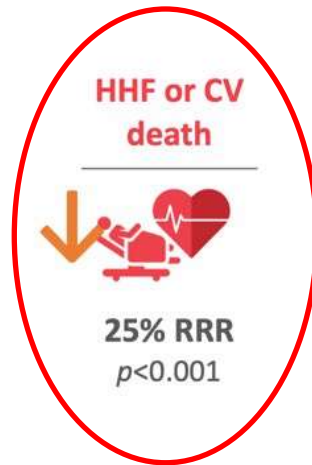
## Secondary outcomes

DAPA<sup>HF</sup>



\*Unplanned HHF or urgent visit resulting in intravenous therapy for HF; †p-value not reported in publication McMurray J et al. N Engl J Med 2019;381:1995

EMPEROR  
HEART FAILURE STUDIES





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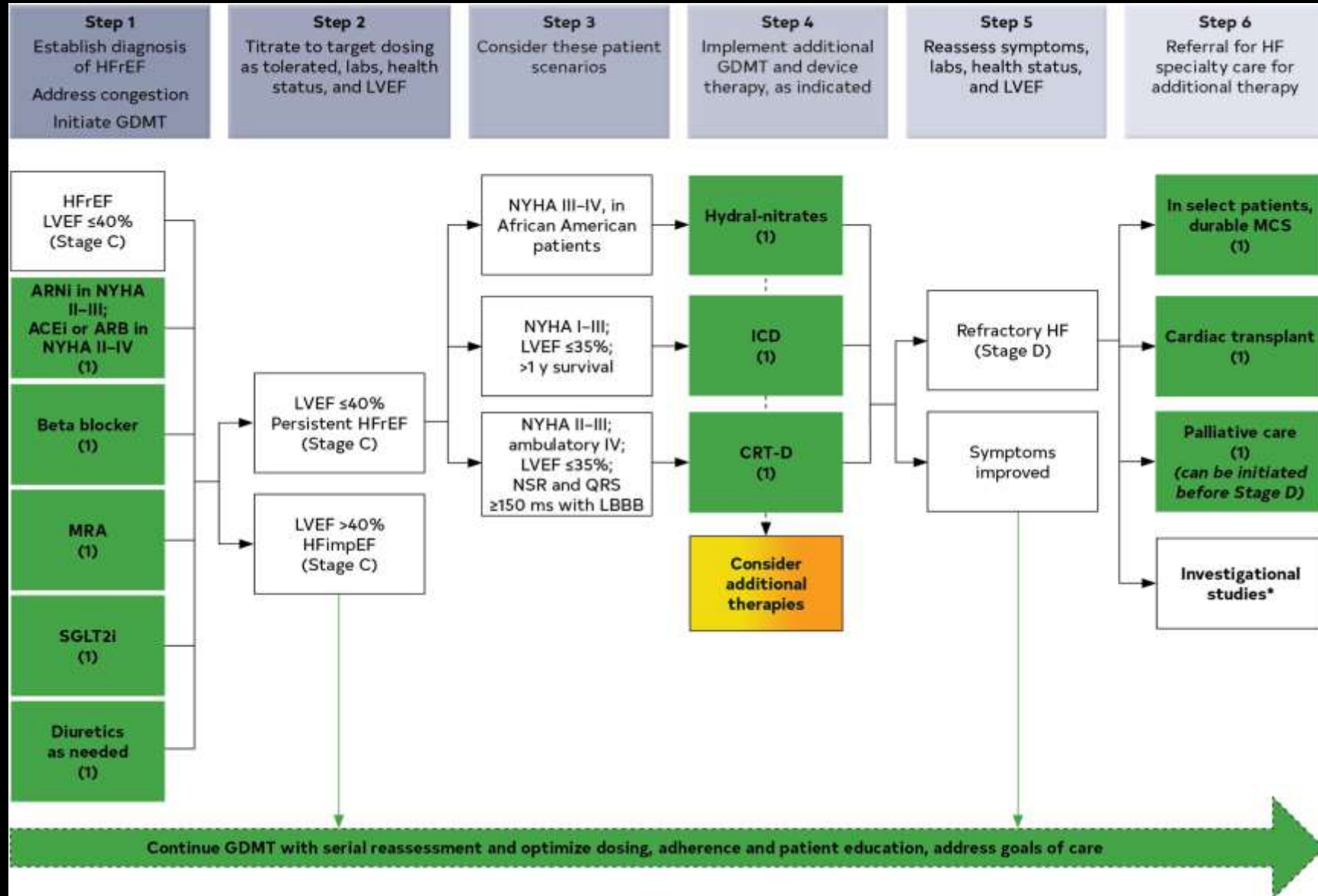
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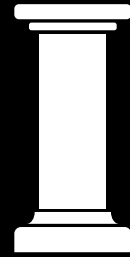
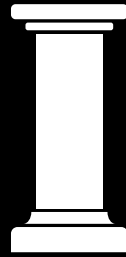
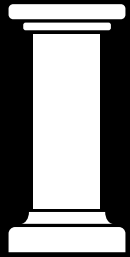
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Figure 6



# 4 Pillars or GOATS of HFrEF



**ARNI**

**BB**

**MRA**

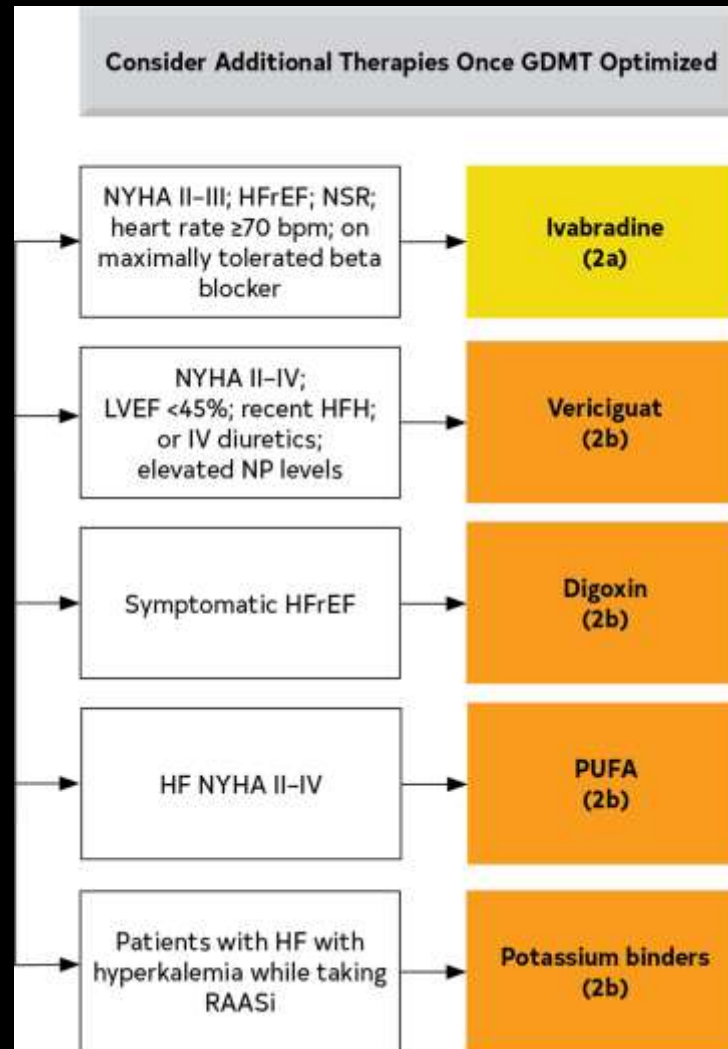
**SGLT2-**



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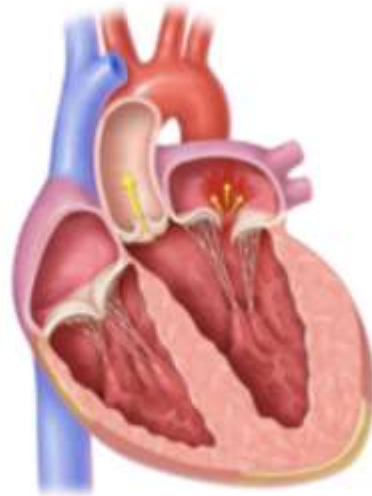
# Additional Therapies

Figure 7



## Two Types of Mitral Regurgitation

Incompetent mitral valve closure  
Systolic retrograde blood flow from the LV into the LA



Primary:  
Anatomic abnormality of the mitral valve

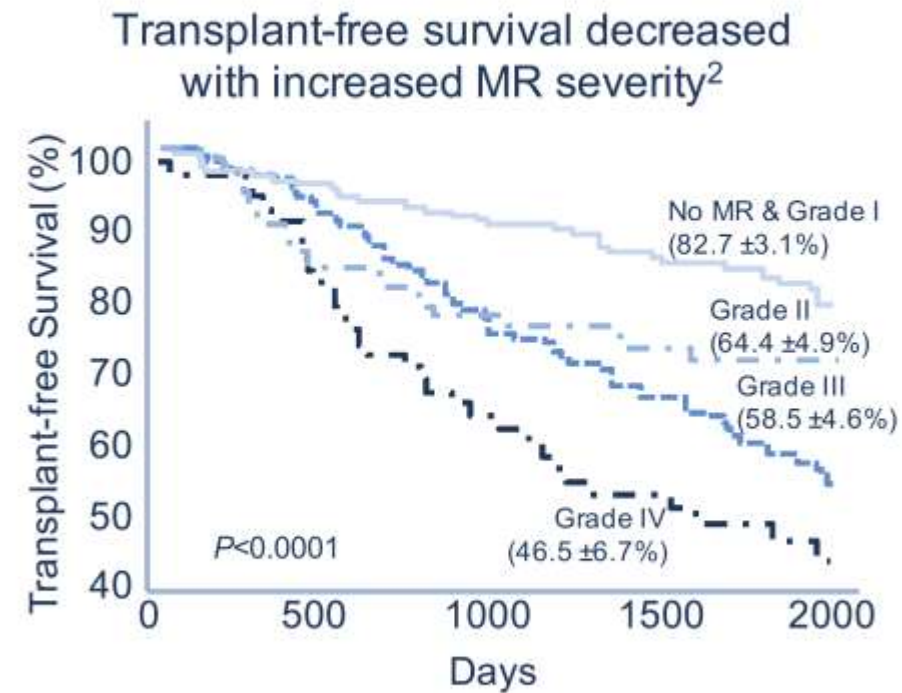
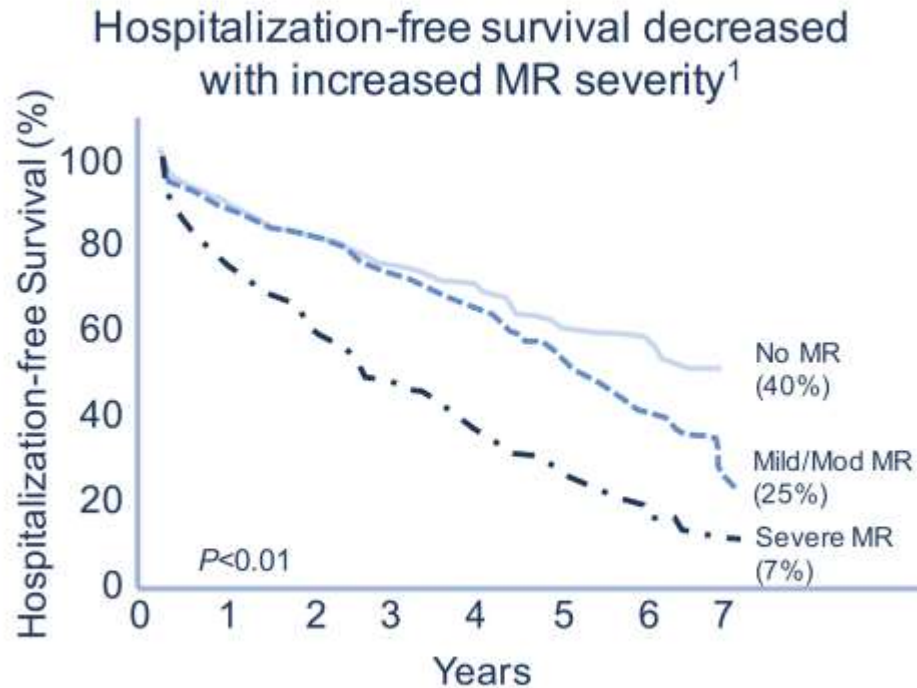
- Leaflets
- Subvalvular apparatus
- Chordae and papillary muscles



Secondary :  
LV dilation; secondary to ischemic and non-ischemic heart disease

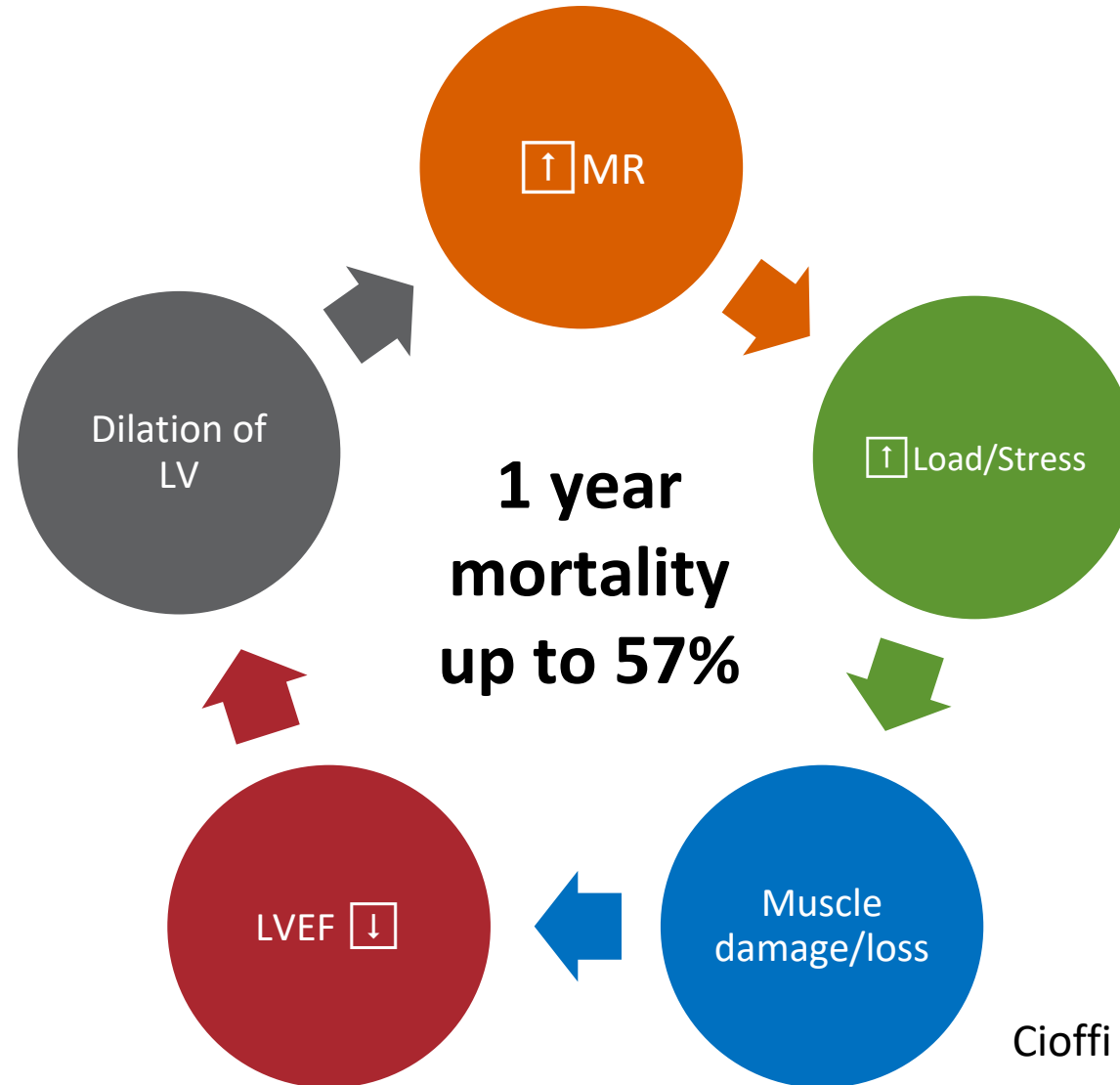
- Leads to mitral annular dilation
- Incomplete coaptation of the mitral valve

## Secondary MR Worsens Heart Failure Outcomes



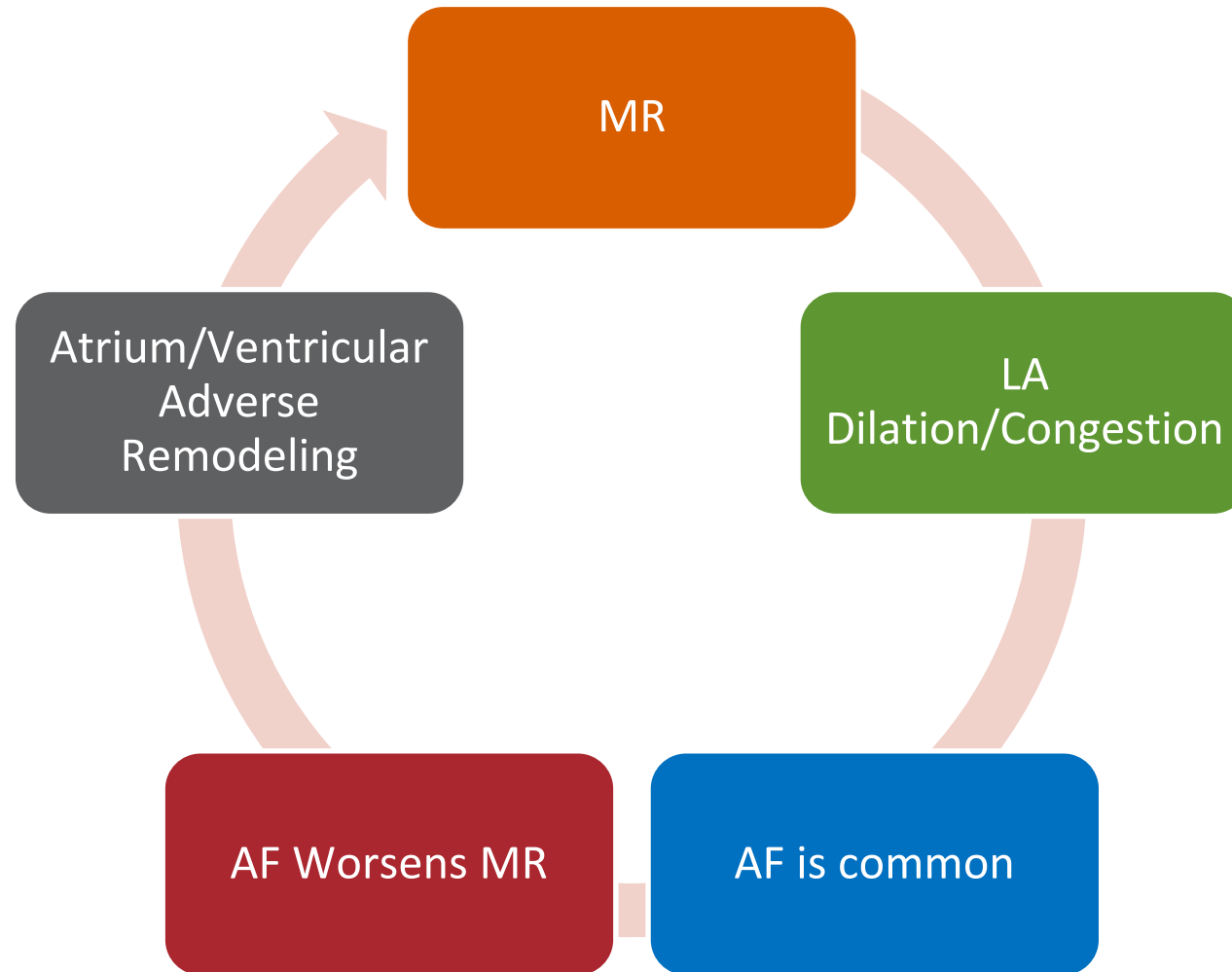
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# MR and HF: Vicious Cycle of LV Dilation/Dysfunction



# MR and AF

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# History of Mitral Clip



Ottavio Alfieri M.D. .



Mehmet Oz M.D.

1996, Dr Alfieri proposed to Dr Oz MV only needed one suture to close a leak

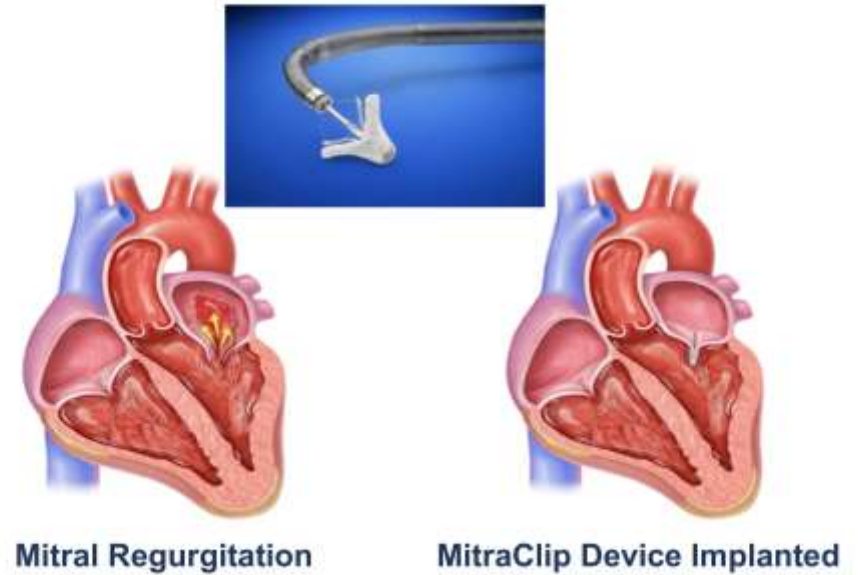


Dr Oz developed the idea to use a catheter, submitted patent in 1987

# What is Mitral-Clip



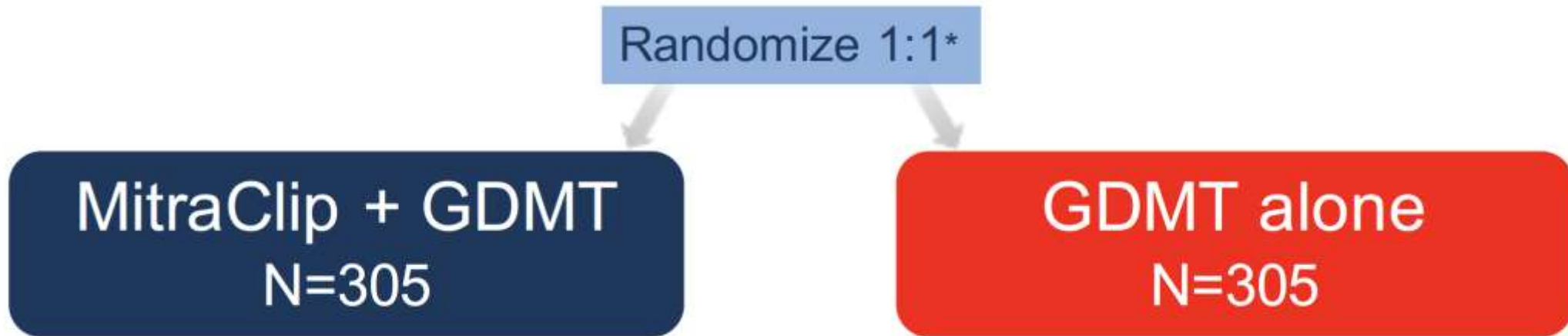
## Transvascular Edge-to-Edge Mitral Valve Repair



# The COAPT Trial Design

Cardiovascular Outcomes Assessment of the MitraClip Percutaneous Therapy for Heart Failure Patients with Functional Mitral Regurgitation

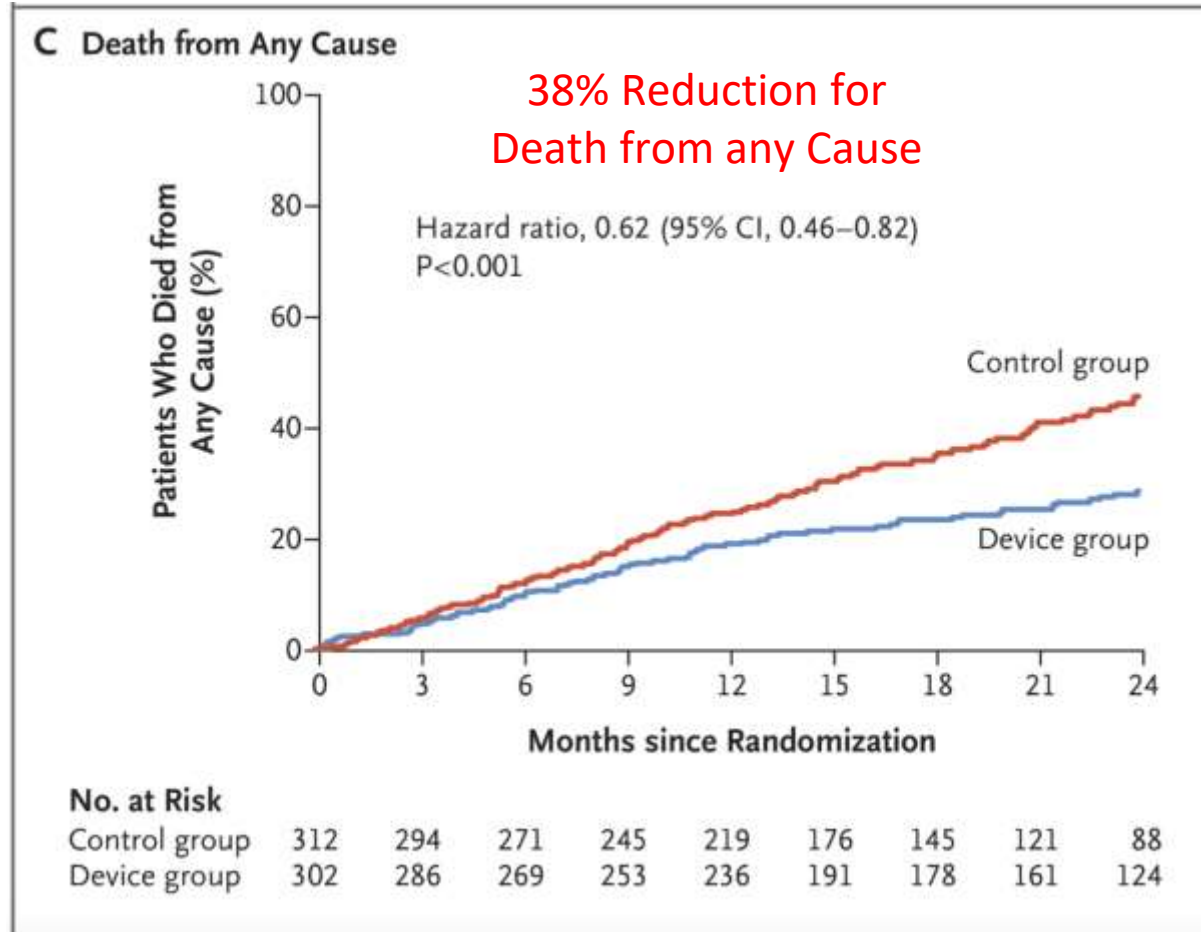
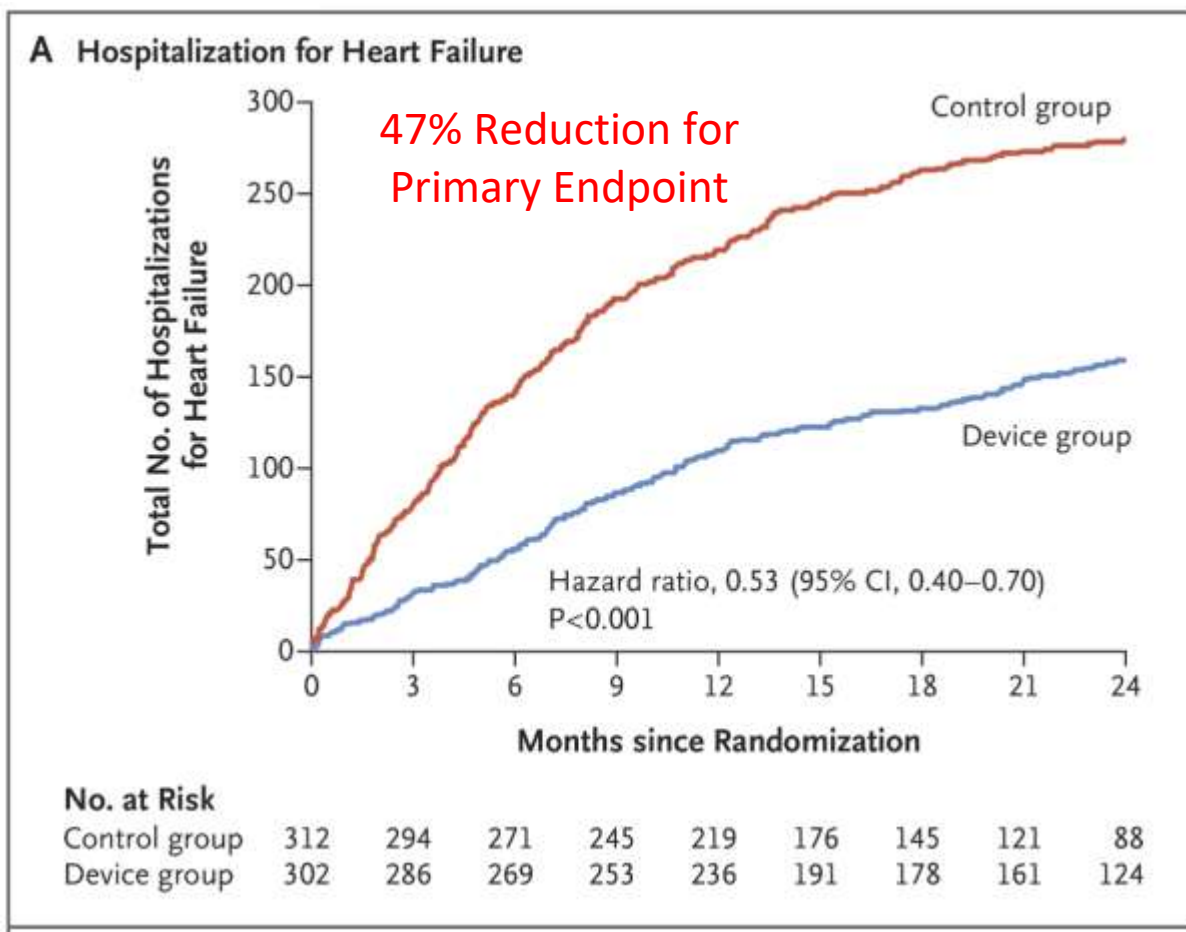
A parallel-controlled, open-label, multicenter trial in ~610 patients with heart failure and moderate-to-severe (3+) or severe (4+) secondary MR who remained symptomatic despite maximally-tolerated GDMT

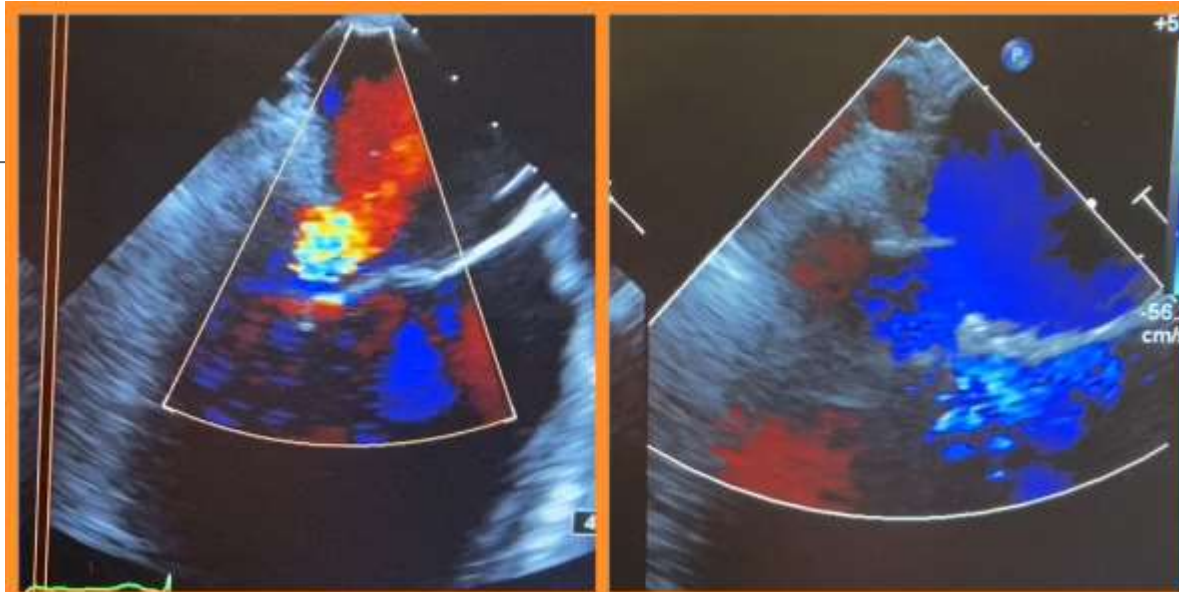


\*Stratified by cardiomyopathy etiology (ischemic vs. non-ischemic) and site

Principal Investigators: Gregg Stone, Michael Mack, William Abraham, Joann Lindenfeld,

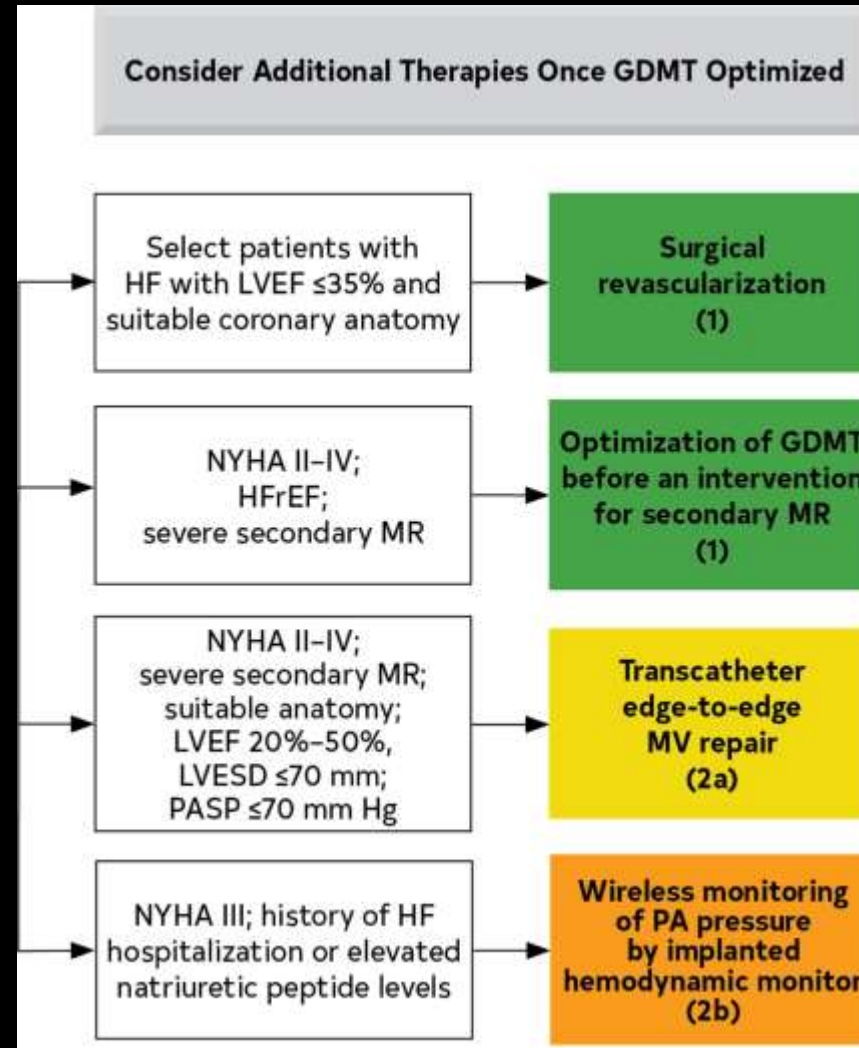
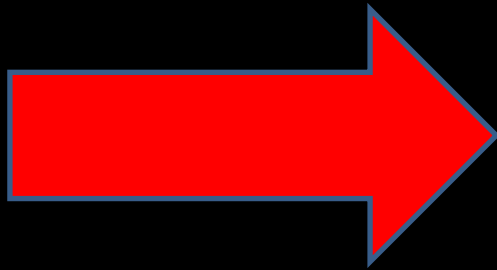
# COAPT Trial Results





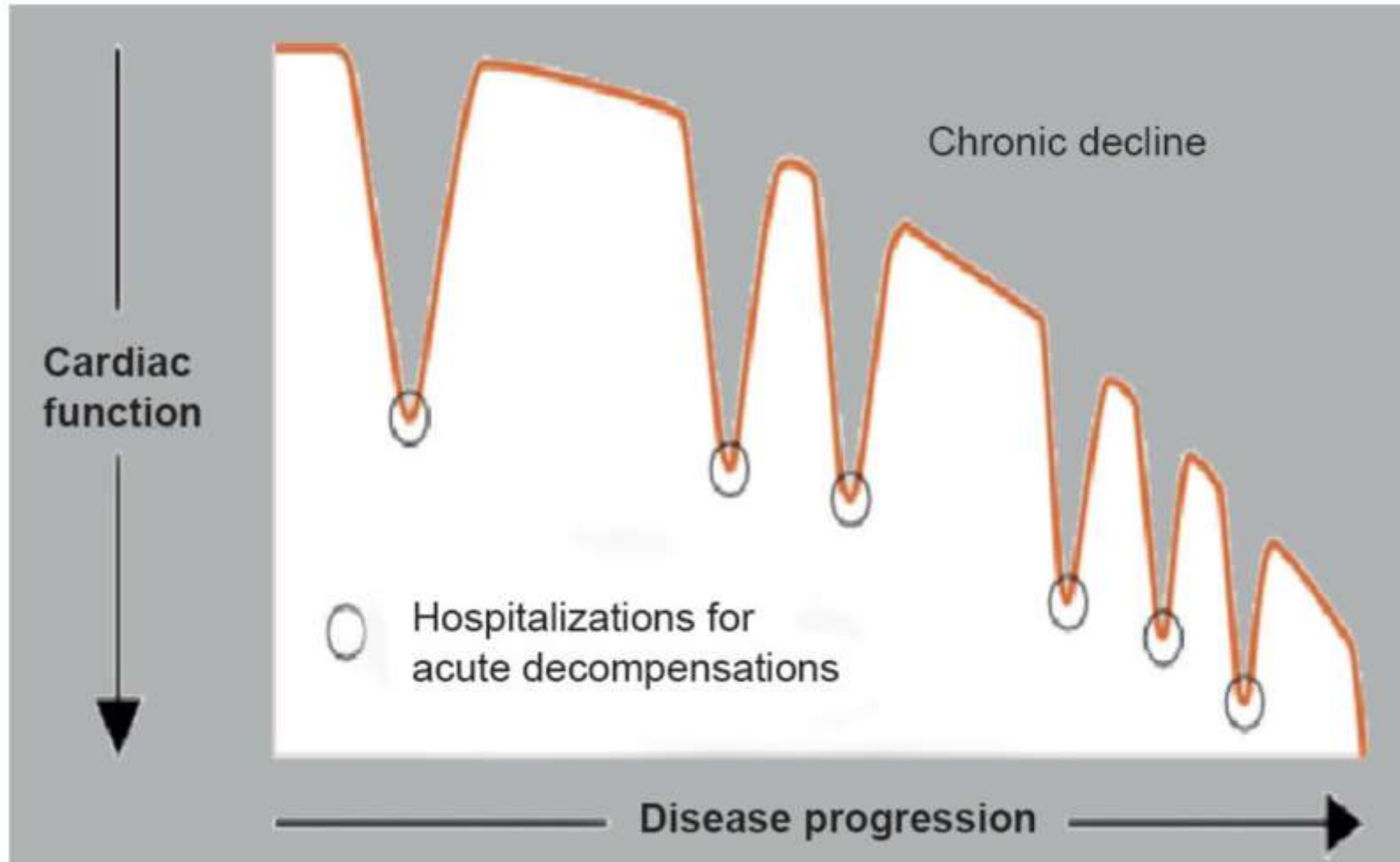
**MitraClip**  
**Pre MR 3+**  
**Post MR <1**  
**1 NTR at A2/P2**

Figure 9



# Acute Decompensated Heart Failure

# Hospitalization for HF is a Sentinel Event

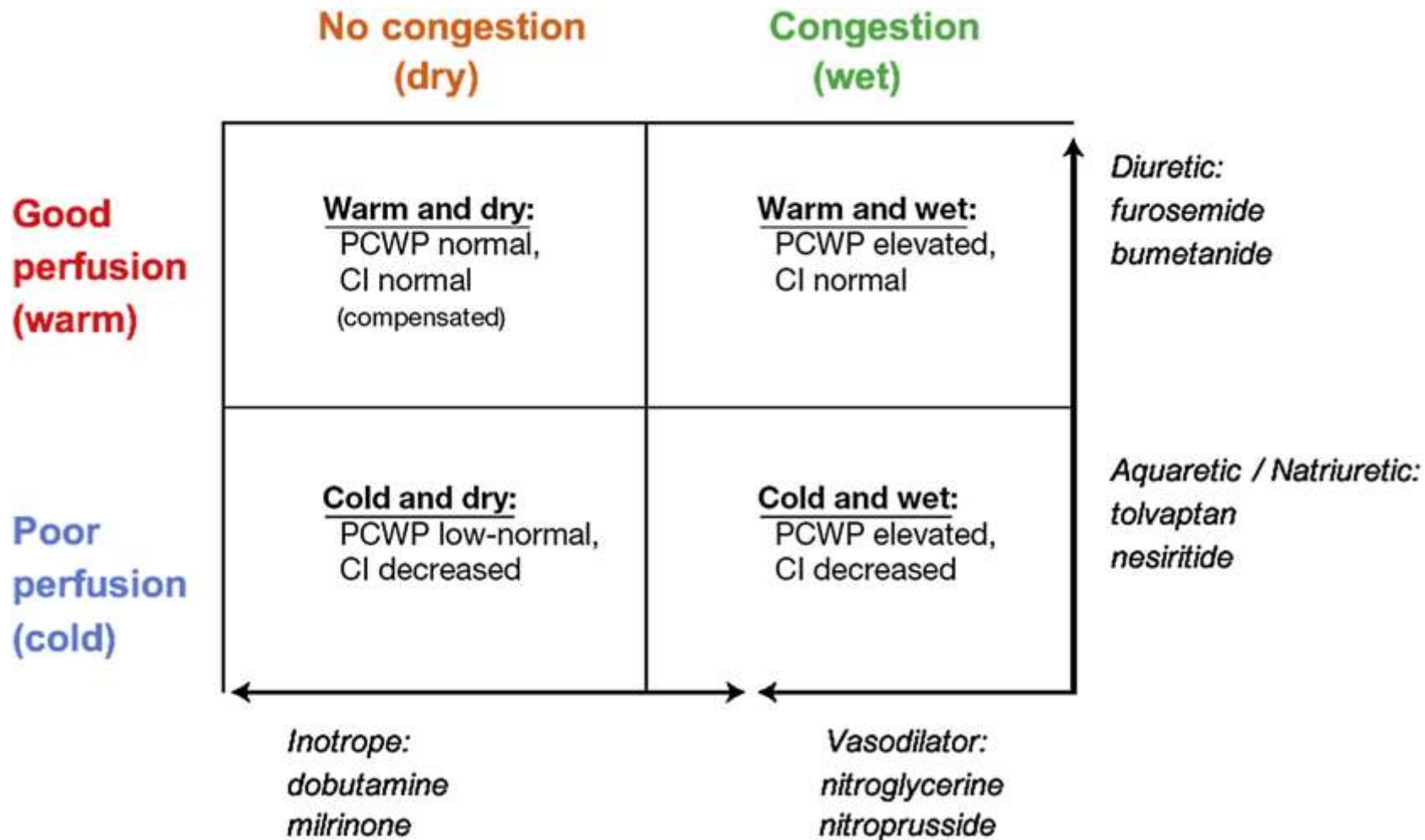




# Patients admitted with Acute Decompensated HF

Recommendations for Assessment of Patients Hospitalized With Decompensated HF		
COR	LOE	Recommendations
1	C-LD	1. In patients hospitalized with HF, severity of congestion and adequacy of perfusion should be assessed to guide triage and initial therapy. <sup>1-5</sup>
1	C-LD	2. In patients hospitalized with HF, the common precipitating factors and the overall patient trajectory should be assessed to guide appropriate therapy. <sup>5,6</sup>
Goals for Optimization and Continuation of GDMT		
1	C-LD	3. For patients admitted with HF, treatment should address reversible factors, establish optimal volume status, and advance GDMT toward targets for outpatient therapy. <sup>6</sup>



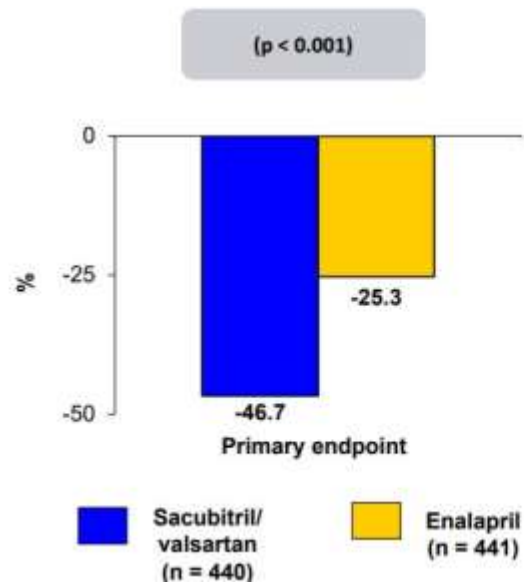


# Inpatient use of ARNI

## PIONEER-HF #AHA18



**Trial description:** Patients hospitalized with acute decompensated heart failure (ADHF) were randomized in a 1:1 fashion to either sacubitril/valsartan or enalapril. Patients were followed for 8 weeks.



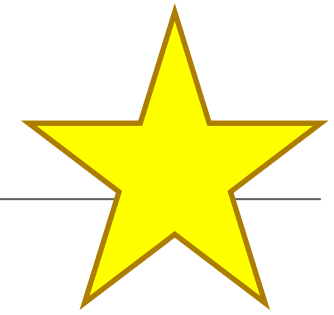
### RESULTS

- Primary endpoint, time-averaged reduction in NT-proBNP: sacubitril/valsartan vs. enalapril: -46.7% vs. -25.3%, p < 0.001
- Worsening renal function: 13.6% vs. 14.7%, p > 0.05, symptomatic hypotension: 15.0% vs. 12.7%, p > 0.05
- Rehospitalization for HF: 8.0% vs. 13.8%, p < 0.05

### CONCLUSIONS

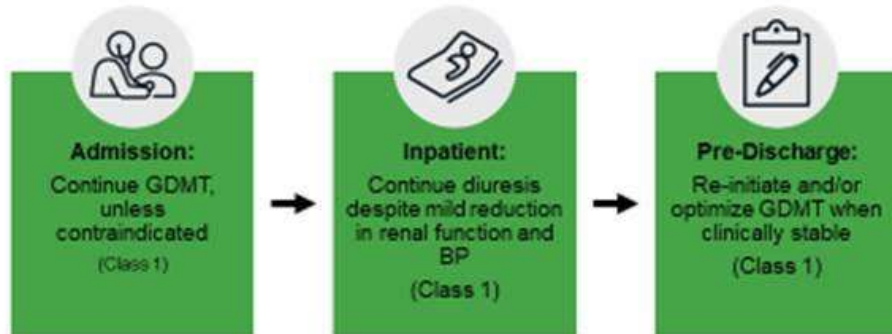
- Sacubitril/valsartan reduced NT-proBNP more than enalapril among patients with ADHF; noted as early as 1 week after drug initiation
- Although not powered for clinical endpoints, a reduction in rehospitalization for HF was noted

Velazquez EJ, et al. N Engl J Med 2018;Nov 11:[Epub]



## GDMT During Hospitalization

Oral GDMT should be continued, initiated, and optimized during admission, as doing so is associated with lower post-discharge death and readmission.



Abbreviations: ACEI indicates angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor; ARNI, angiotensin receptor neprilysin inhibitor; AKI, acute kidney injury; BP, blood pressure; GDMT, guideline-directed medical therapy; aAVTE, venous thromboembolism.

COR	LOE	Recommendations
1	A	In patients with HFrEF and NYHA class II to III symptoms, the use of <b>ARNI</b> is recommended to reduce morbidity and mortality
1	A	In patients with HFrEF, with current or previous symptoms, use of 1 of the 3 <b>beta blockers</b> proven to reduce mortality is recommended to reduce mortality and hospitalizations
1	A	In patients with HFrEF and NYHA class II to IV symptoms, an <b>MRA</b> is recommended to reduce morbidity and mortality, if eGFR >30 mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> and serum potassium is <5.0 mEq/L
1	A	In patients with symptomatic chronic HFrEF, <b>SGLT2i</b> are recommended to reduce hospitalization for HF and cardiovascular mortality, irrespective of the presence of type 2 diabetes

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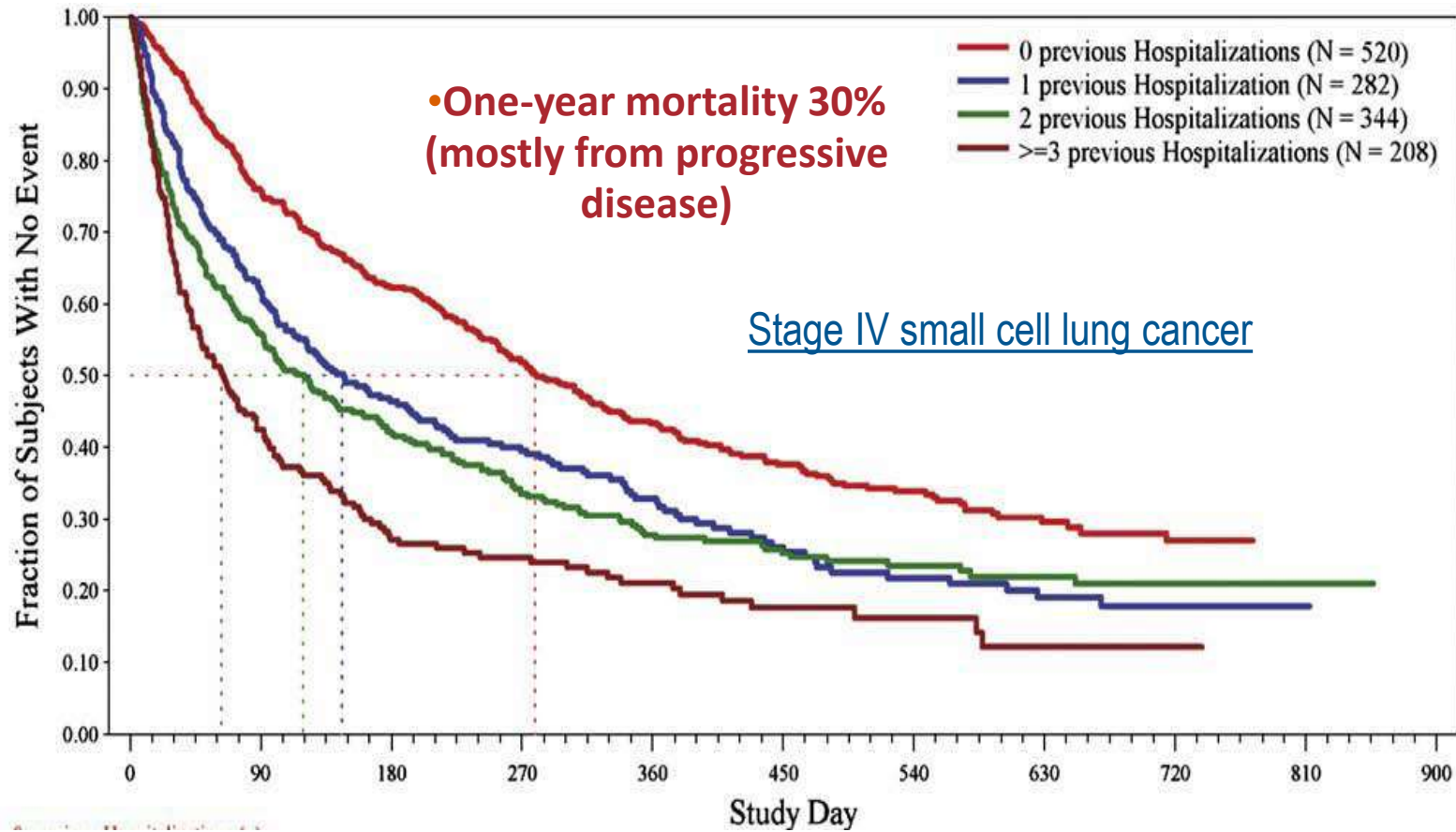
- ARNI + BB + MRA + SGLT2-
- [↓][↓][↓] Post Discharge HF Hospitalization and Survival
- How to Implement?
  - Changing our goals in a patient with ADHF
  - Transition of Care Pharmacist



Heldewich, J. A. et al. (2022). 2022 AHA/ACC/HFSA Guidelines for Heart Failure. Circulation

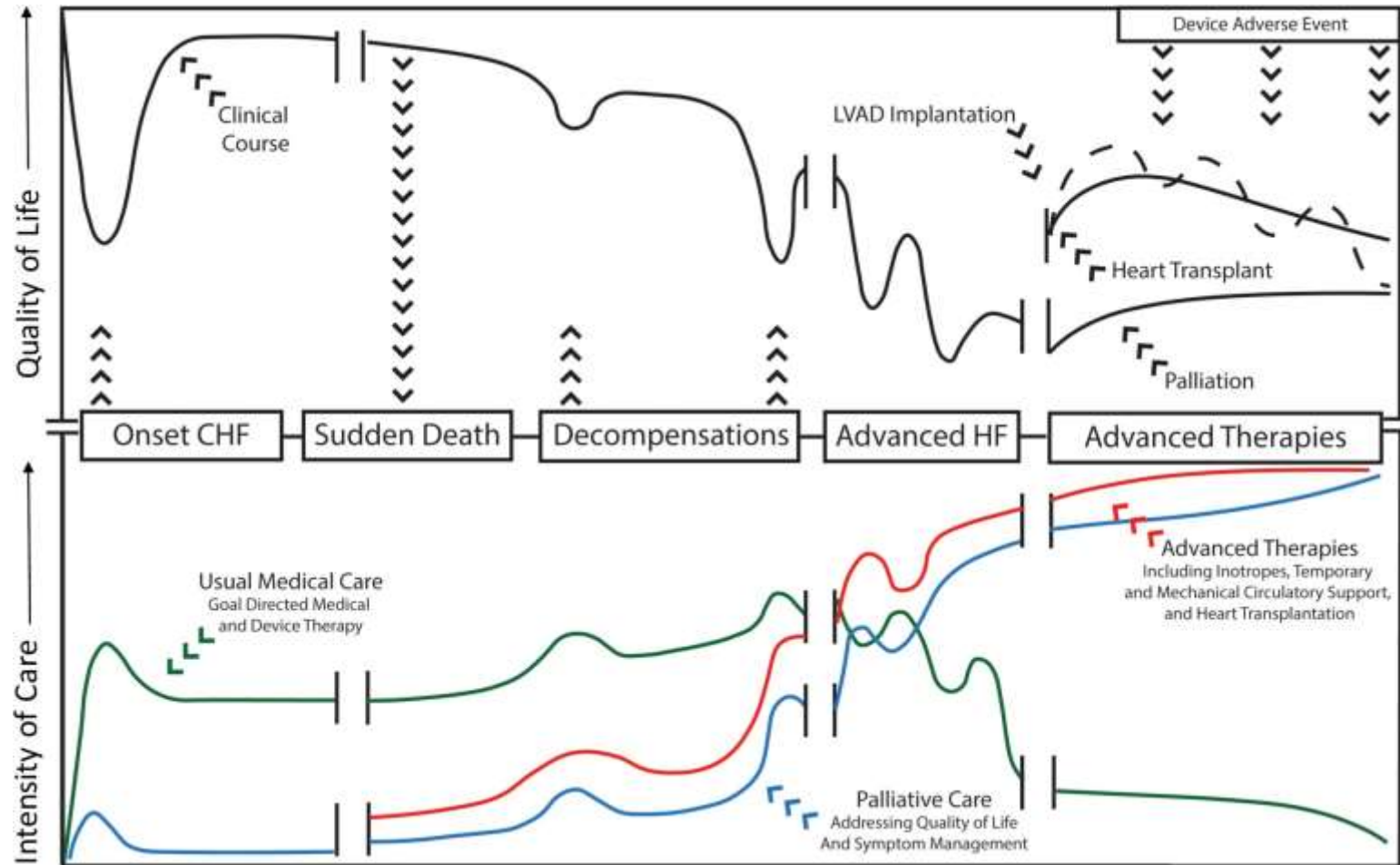
# Advanced Heart Failure

# Advanced Heart Failure Outcomes



• One-year hospitalization: 60% (2/3 > than once)

# HF is a Progressive Condition

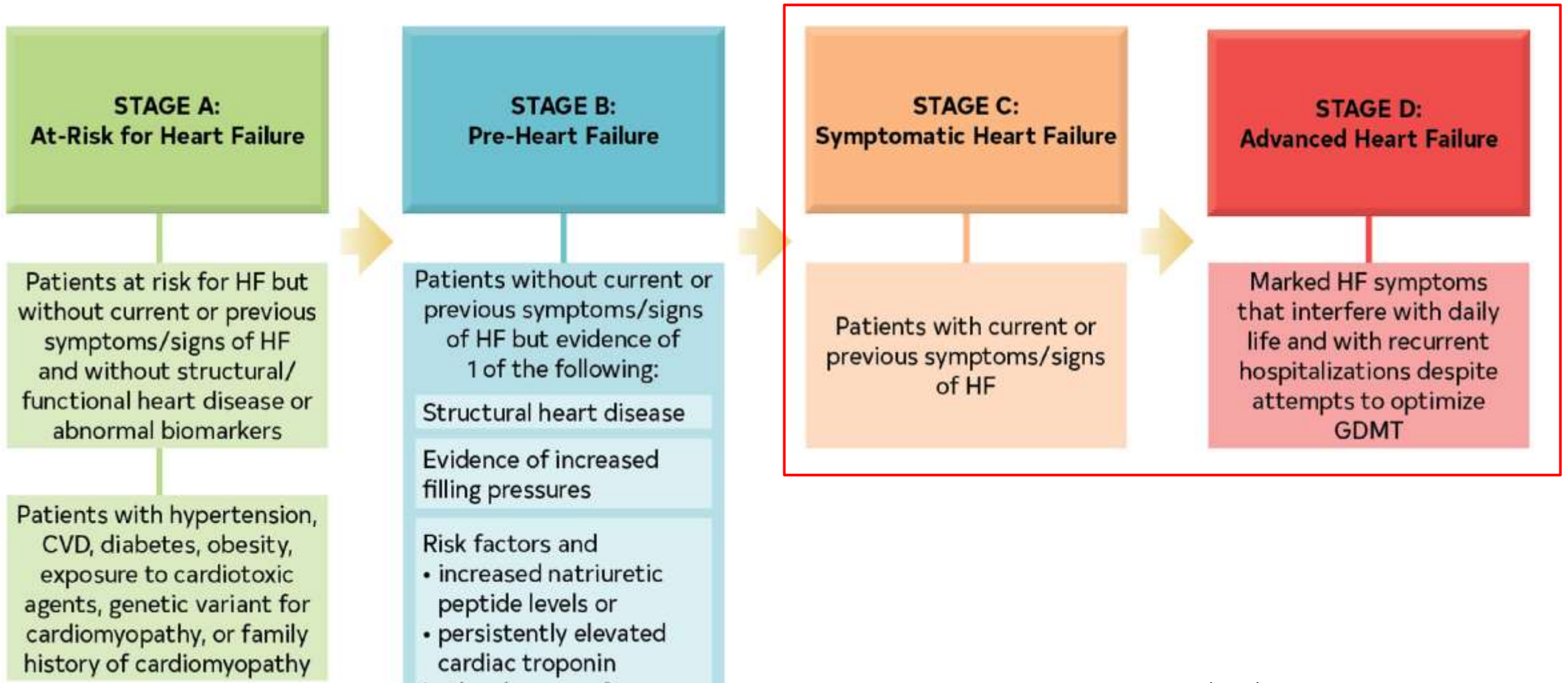


# Markers of Advanced Heart Failure

<b>I</b>	<b><u>I</u>notropes</b>	Previous or ongoing
<b>N</b>	<b><u>N</u>YHA class/<u>N</u>atriuretic peptides</b>	NYHA III/IV or high NT-pBNP
<b>E</b>	<b><u>E</u>nd-organ dysfunction</b>	Worsening renal/liver function
<b>E</b>	<b><u>E</u>jection fraction</b>	EF <20%
<b>D</b>	<b><u>D</u>efibrillator shocks</b>	Appropriate shocks
<b>H</b>	<b><u>H</u>ospitalizations</b>	≥1 HF hospitalizations in 12 months
<b>E</b>	<b><u>E</u>dema/<u>E</u>scalating diuretics</b>	Persistent overload, diuretic resistance
<b>L</b>	<b><u>L</u>ow blood pressure</b>	<90mmHg
<b>P</b>	<b><u>P</u>rognostic medication</b>	Inability to titrate (or decrease) GDMT

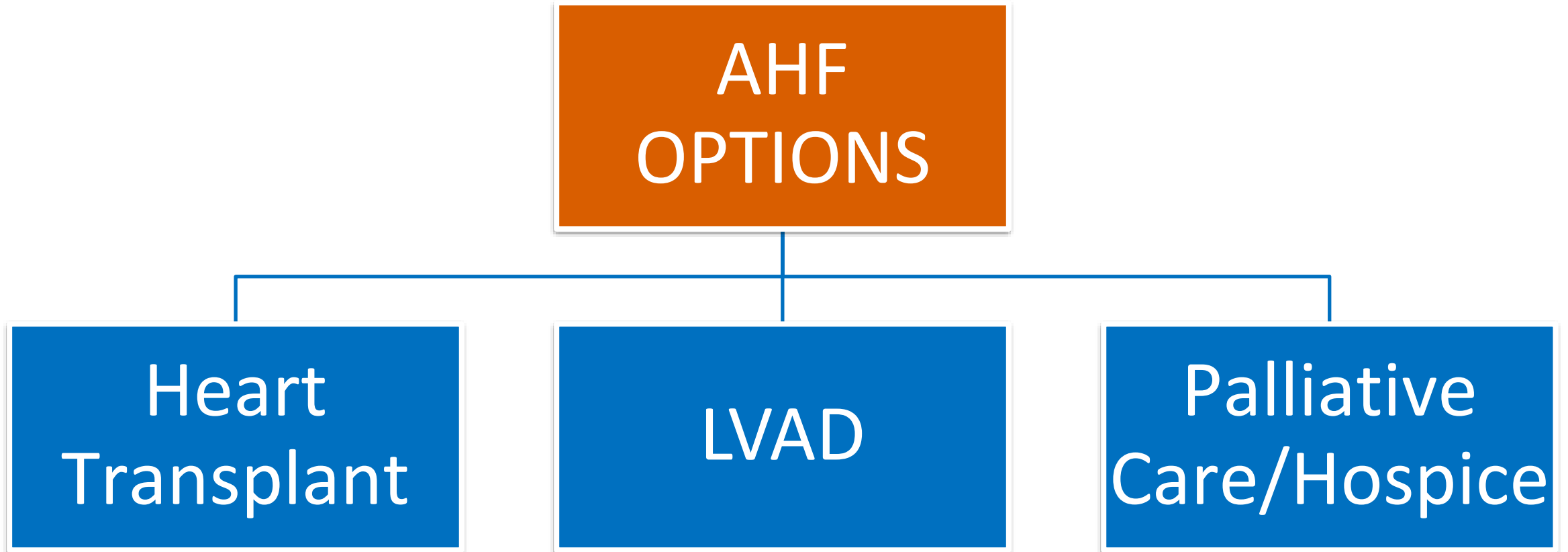


# Staging of Heart Failure

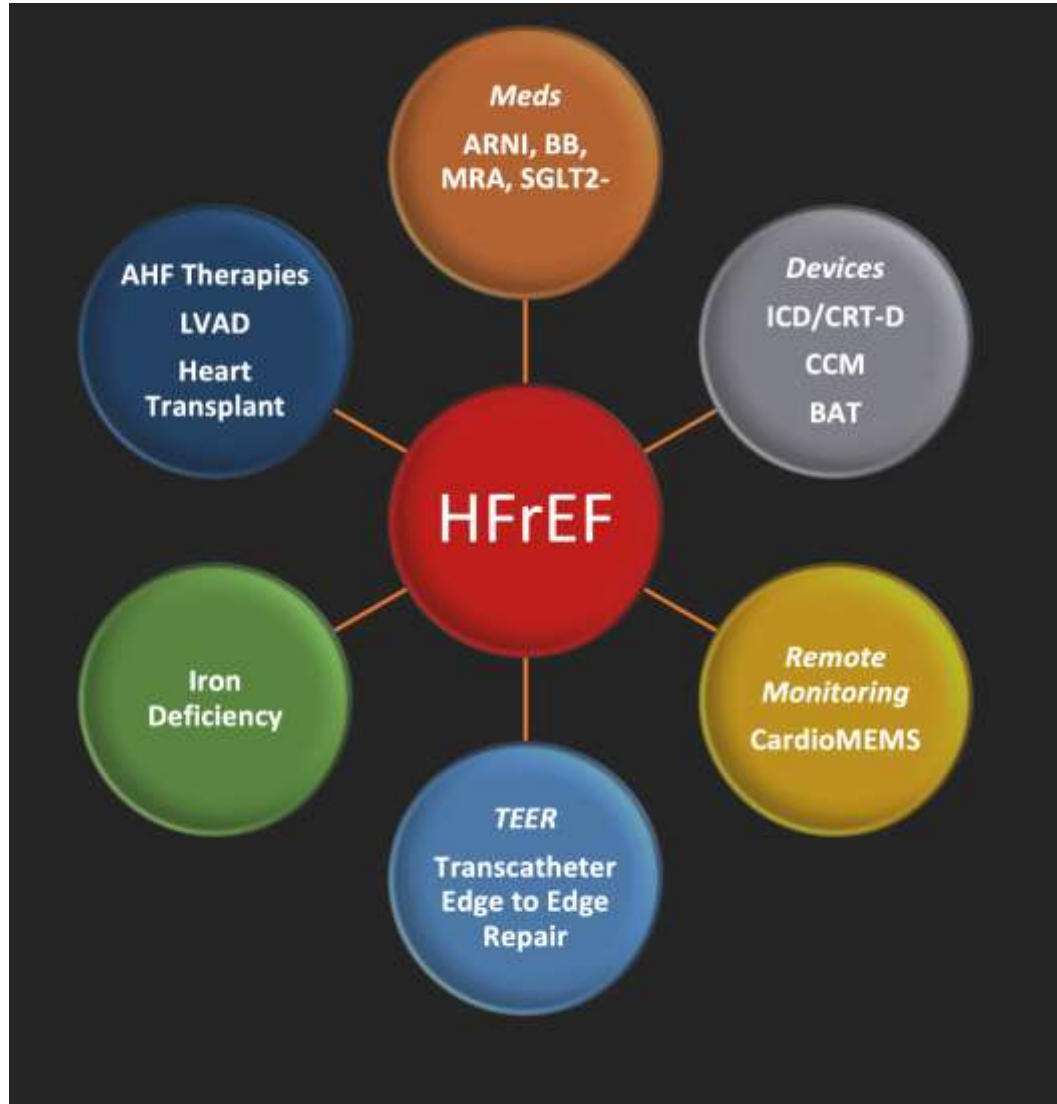
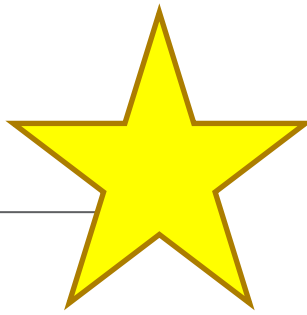


# AHF Management

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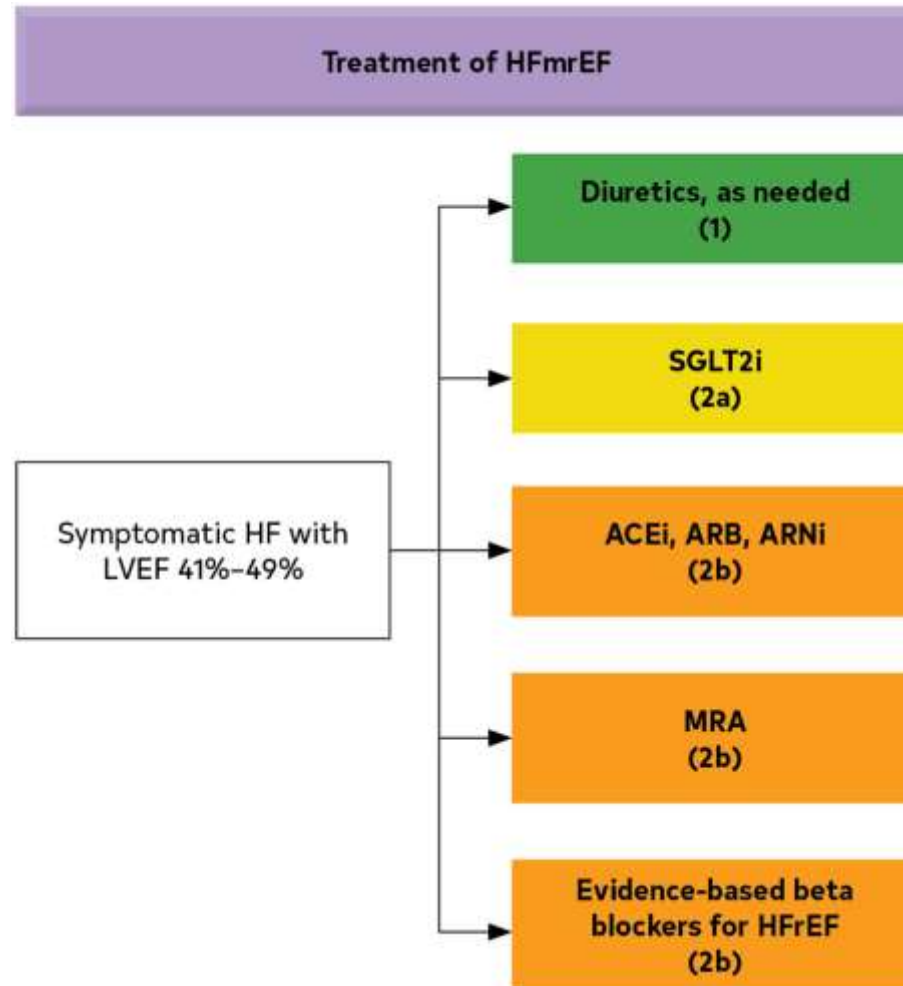


# HFrEF: Heart Success, Not Failure



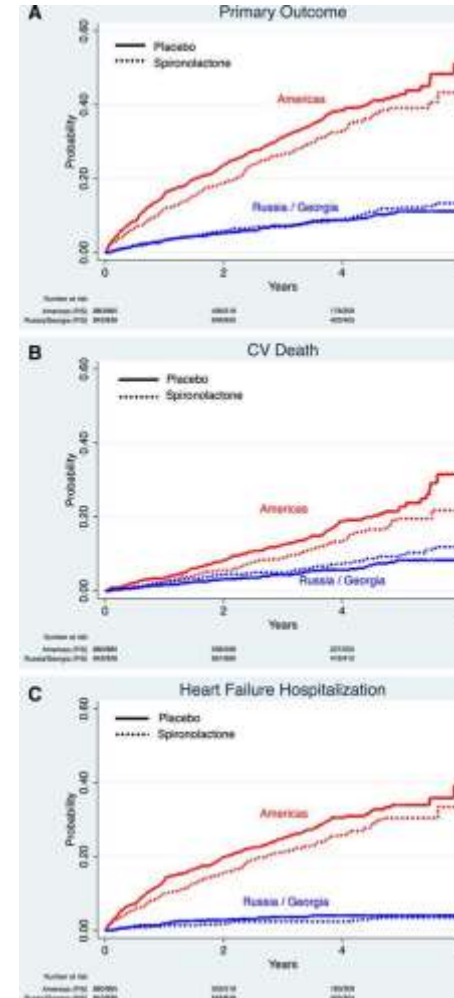
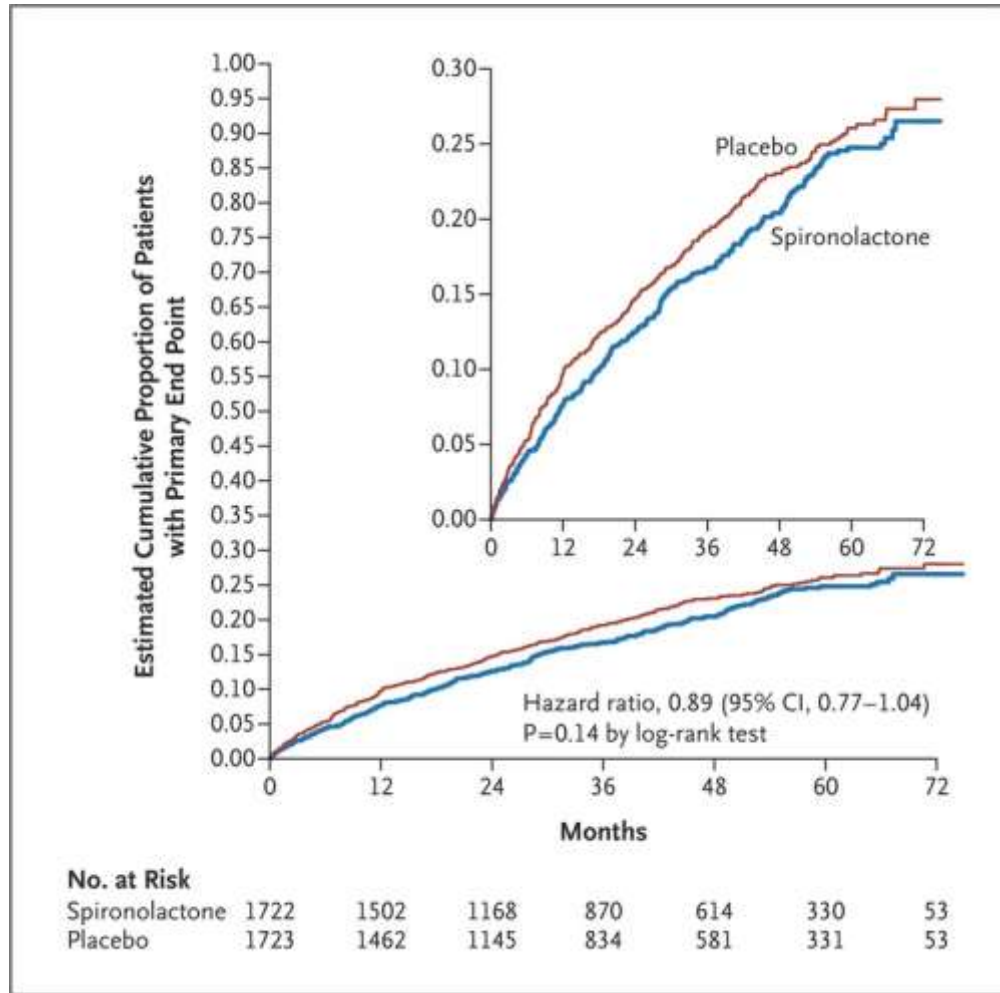
# Heart Failure with Mild Reduced EF (41-49%)

# Heart Failure with Mildly Reduced Ejection Fraction (41-49%)



# Heart Failure with Preserved EF (>50%)

# TOPCAT Study (Post Hoc Analysis)





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ORIGINAL ARTICLE FREE PREVIEW

# Empagliflozin in Heart Failure with a Preserved Ejection Fraction

Stefan D. Anker, M.D., Ph.D., Javed Butler, M.D., Gerasimos Filippatos, M.D., Ph.D., João P. Ferreira, M.D., et al., for the EMPEROR-Preserved Trial Investigators\*

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# EMPEROR-PRESERVED

Empagliflozin in Heart Failure with a Preserved Ejection Fraction

Anker et al, Aug 27, 2021. NEJM.



## QUESTION

In patients with heart failure and a preserved ejection fraction, does Empagliflozin improve outcomes?

## INCLUDED

- 18 and older
- NYHA II-IV
- LVEF > 40%
- ntProBNP > 300; or > 900 if AFib
- Evidence of LAE or LVH
- Stable diuretic use
- BMI < 45 kg/m<sup>2</sup>

5988 PATIENTS



 **EMPAGLIFLOZIN 10MG**  
(SGLT-2 INHIBITOR)

VS

 **PLACEBO**

Stratified by region, diabetes status, eGFR of 50, and LVEF 50%

## PRIMARY OUTCOME



CV Death\*

HF Hospitalization



**13.8%**

**17.1%**

HR 0.79; 95%CI 0.69-0.90; P<0.001

\*Mostly driven by HF hospitalizations

## SECONDARY OUTCOMES



HF Hospitalization

↓ **WITH EMPAGLIFLOZIN**

HR 0.73; 95% CI, 0.61-0.88;  
P<0.001



Rate of GFR decline

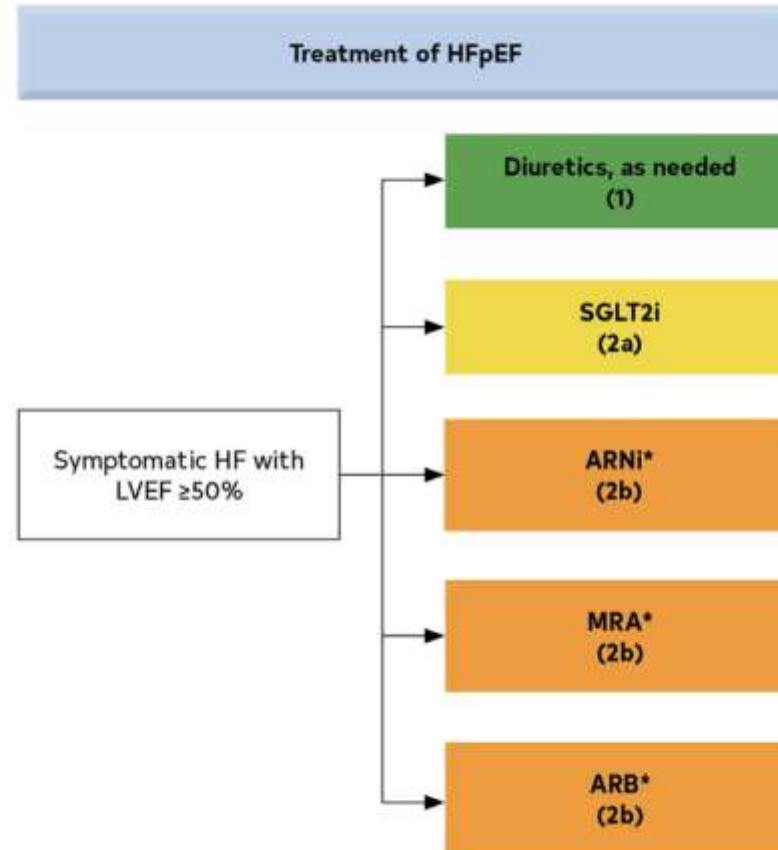
**E** -1.25 **VS.** -2.62 **P**

ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup>/year; P<0.001

## CONCLUSION

Empagliflozin reduced the combined risk of cardiovascular death or heart failure hospitalization in patients with heart failure with preserved ejection fraction, regardless of the presence or absence of diabetes.

# 2022 ACC/AHA/HFSA Guidelines for HFpEF



**Figure 12.** Recommendations for Patients With Preserved LVEF ( $\geq 50\%$ )

## Summary

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- Updated 2022 ACC/AHA/HFSA Guidelines on HF
- Classification of Heart Failure (HFrEF, HFmrEF, HFpEF)
- QUAD Therapy for HFrEF (ARNI, BB, MRA, SGLT2-)
- Recognition of AHF
- Guidelines on management of HFmrEF (41-49%)
- Guidelines on management of HFpEF



**Thank You**

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