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Scompenso cardiaco avanzato e shock cardiogeno: quali device di supporto e a chi?

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Thromboembolism prophylaxis (e.g. with LMWH) is recommended in patients not already anticoagulated and with no contraindication to anticoagulation, to reduce the risk of deep venous thrombosis and pulmonary embolism. ^{494,495}	I	A
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Heart transplantation is recommended for patients with advanced HF, refractory to medical/device therapy and who do not have absolute contraindications.	I	C
Long-term MCS should be considered in patients with advanced HFrEF despite optimal medical and device therapy, not eligible for heart transplantation or other surgical options, and without severe right ventricular dysfunction, to reduce the risk of death and improve symptoms. ^{378,396,397,401,402,404,417}	IIa	A
Long-term MCS should be considered in patients with advanced HFrEF refractory to optimal medical and device therapy as a bridge to cardiac transplantation in order to improve symptoms, reduce the risk of HF hospitalization and the risk of premature death. ^{398–400,402,404}	IIa	B

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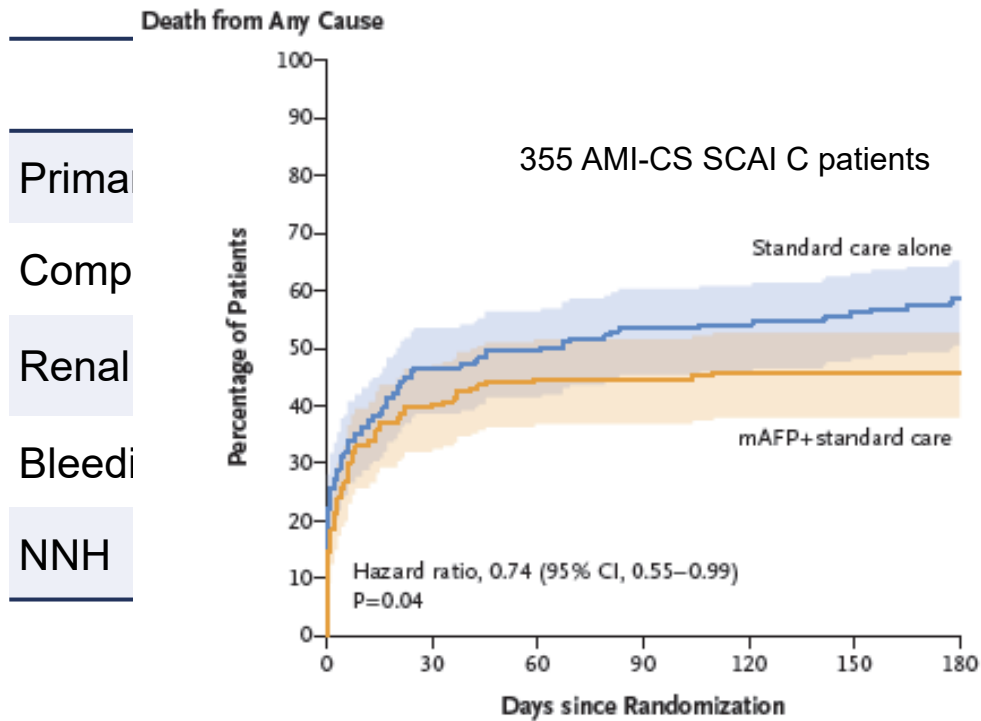
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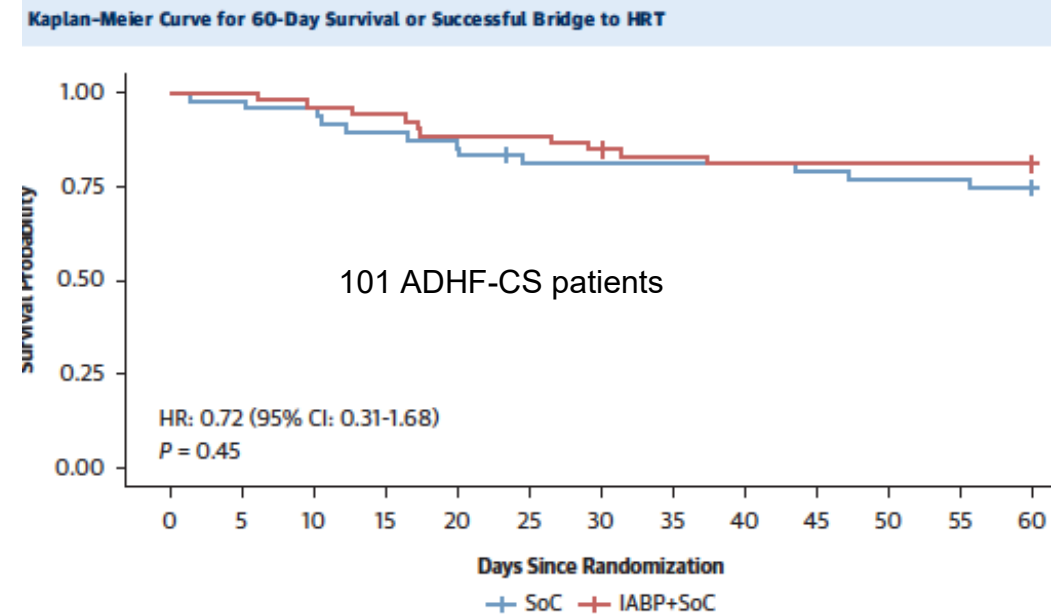
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Microaxial Flow Pump or Standard Care
in Infarct-Related Cardiogenic Shock



IABP

Early Intra-Aortic Balloon Support for
Heart Failure-Related Cardiogenic Shock
A Randomized Clinical Trial



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how to choose a device for CS?

etiology

not only flow

predictors

the strange case of the RV

etiology again



etiology and clinical impact of IAoBP

Percutaneous Microaxial Ventricular Assist Device Versus Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump for Nonacute Myocardial Infarction Cardiogenic Shock

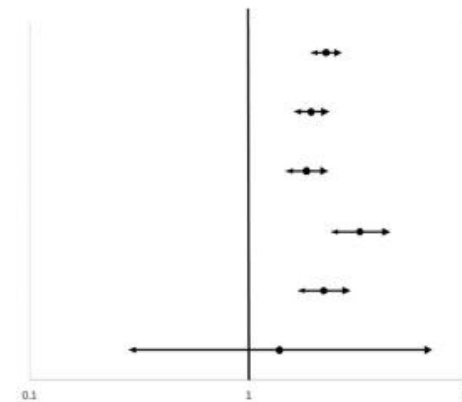
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1300 ADHF-CS patients
medicare database
propensity score matching

Analysis Method

Analysis Method	aOR (95% CI)
Unadjusted	2.25 (1.89 to 2.67)
PSMW	1.92 (1.59 to 2.33)
PSM	1.83 (1.46 to 2.31)
Logistic Regression with Hospital Fixed Effect	3.22 (2.35 to 4.42)
PSMW with MCS on Days 0–1	2.20 (1.66 to 2.91)
Instrumental Variable	1.38 (0.28 to 6.89)

OR for 30-day mortality



Adjusted Odds Ratio

Favors pVAD ←

→ Favors IABP

major issues:

- patients aged 65 to 99 years
- excluded patients with both pVAD and IABP

Outcomes	Matching weight analysis		
	pVAD (N=645)	IABP (N=639)	Effect estimate
Binary outcomes			aOR (95% CI)
30-d mortality	355 (55.0)	248 (38.9)	1.92 (1.59– 2.33)
Bleeding	176 (27.2)	174 (27.1)	1.00 (0.81–1.24)
Stroke	27 (4.1)	29 (4.5)	0.91 (0.56– 1.47)
Sepsis	50 (7.7)	54 (8.4)	0.91 (0.64–1.28)
Continuous outcomes			aMD (95% CI)
LOS among survivors, d	11.0 (6.0–21.0)	12.0 (7.0–20.0)	0.4 (–1.4 to 2.3)
Total health care spending, USD	108 426 (83326–155 553)	55 452 (36318–110 533)	*19318 (–11 582 to 50 217)

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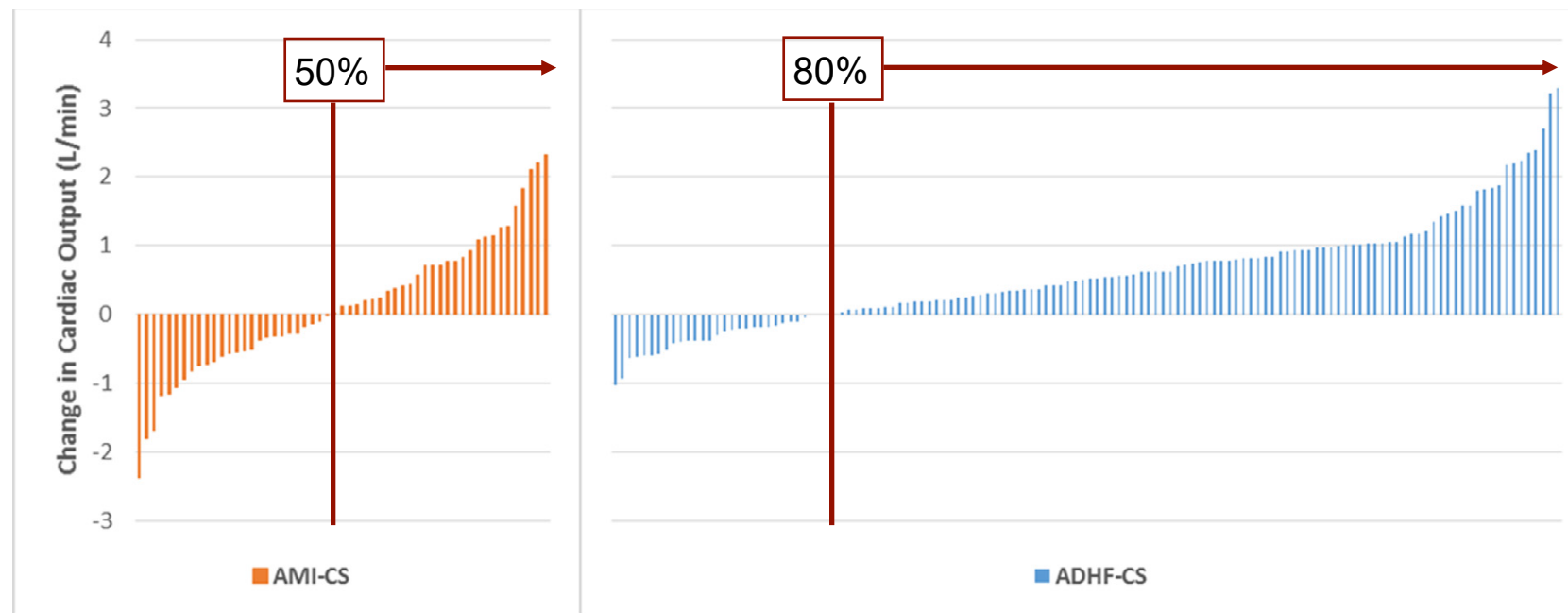
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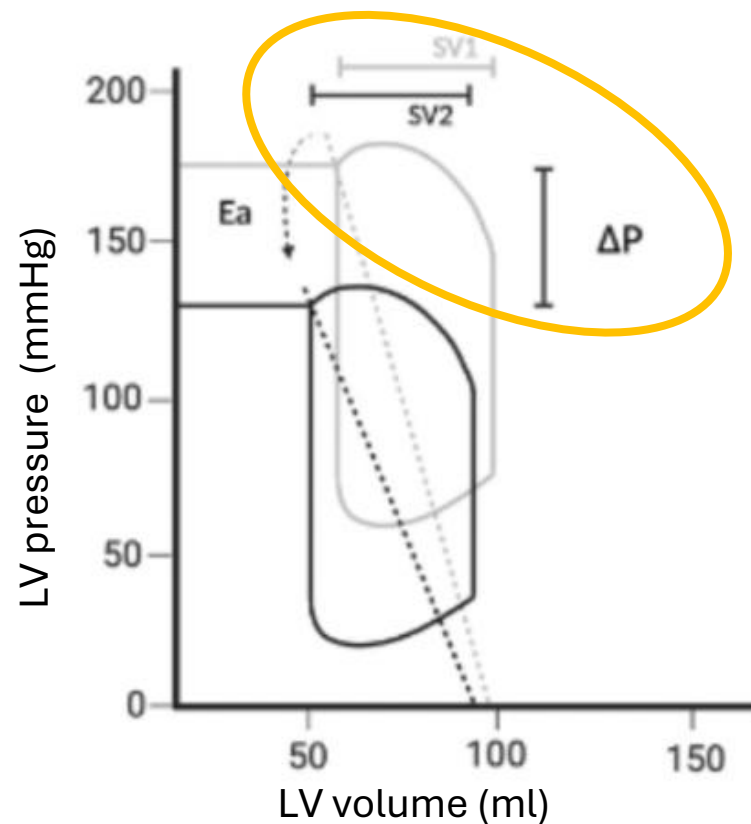
etiology and hemodynamic response to IABP

retrospective analysis
205 patients

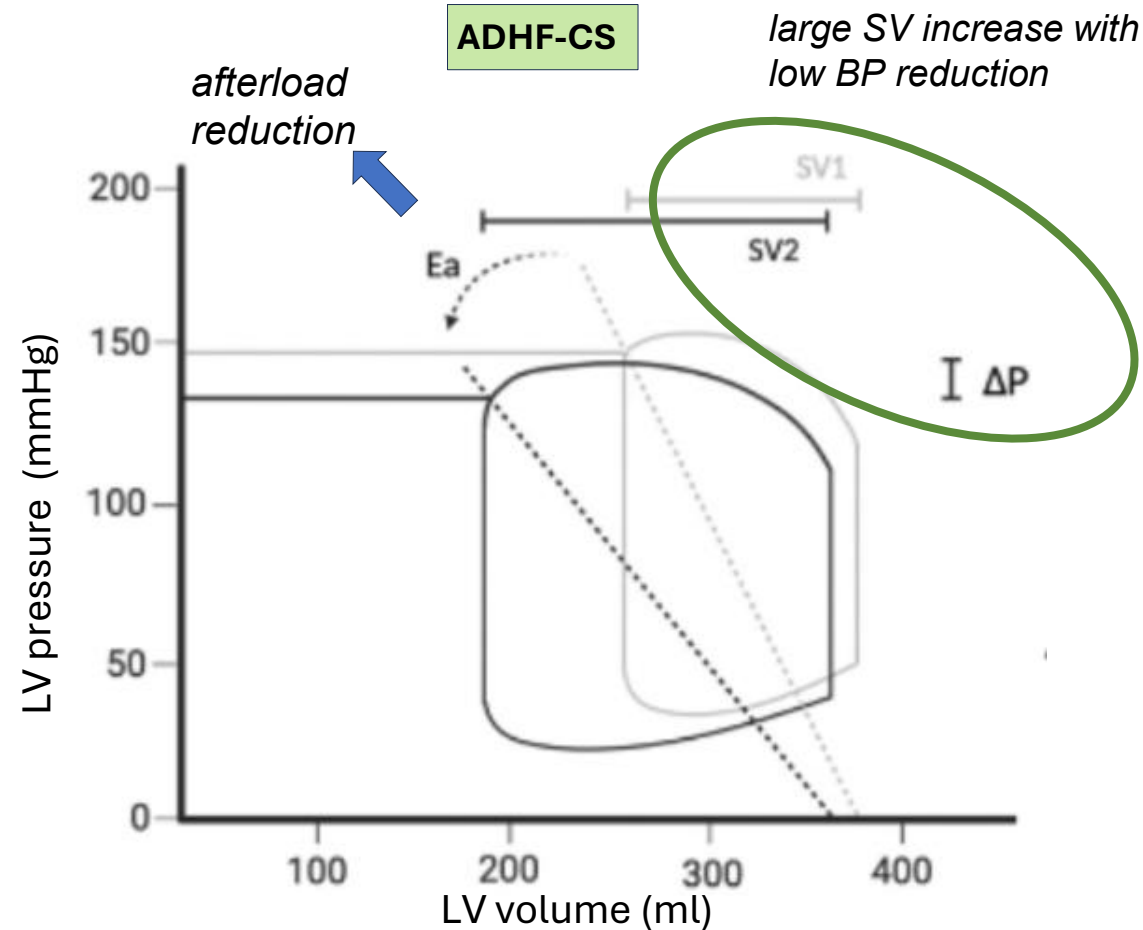




AMI-CS



ADHF-CS



Afterload Is A Key Treatment Target In ADHF-CS

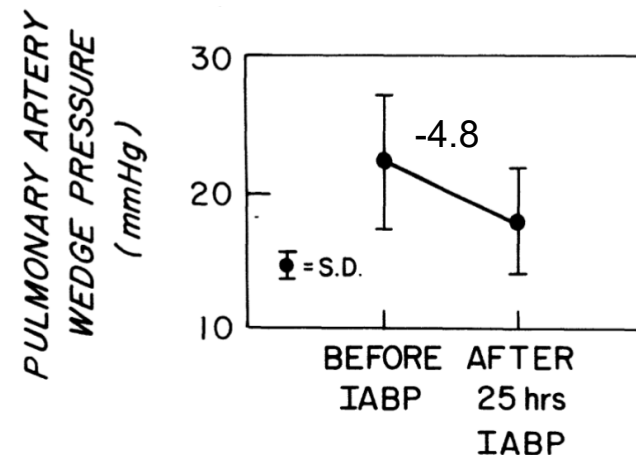


not only flow but WP reduction

Hemodynamic changes observed with IABP insertion

	ADHF-CS (n = 132)	AMI-CS (n = 73)	p Value
Mean arterial pressure (mm Hg)	-1.4 ± 13.9	1.3 ± 17.1	0.26
Change in cardiac output (L/min)	0.58 ± 0.79	0.12 ± 1.00	0.0009
Change in cardiac index (L/min/m ²)	0.30 ± 0.42	0.08 ± 0.51	0.003
Cardiac output percent change (%)	23.9 ± 35.2	10.1 ± 36.6	0.02
Cardiac power output (W)	0.09 ± 0.17	0.03 ± 0.20	0.06
Cardiac power index (W/m ²)	$0.05 \pm 0.0.9$	0.02 ± 0.11	0.09
Central venous pressure (mm Hg)	-2.0 ± 5.2	-2.5 ± 6.6	0.59
Mean pulmonary artery pressure (mm Hg)	-5.3 ± 7.4	-5.0 ± 7.6	0.78

40 AMI-CS patients:
60-65% IABP "responders"

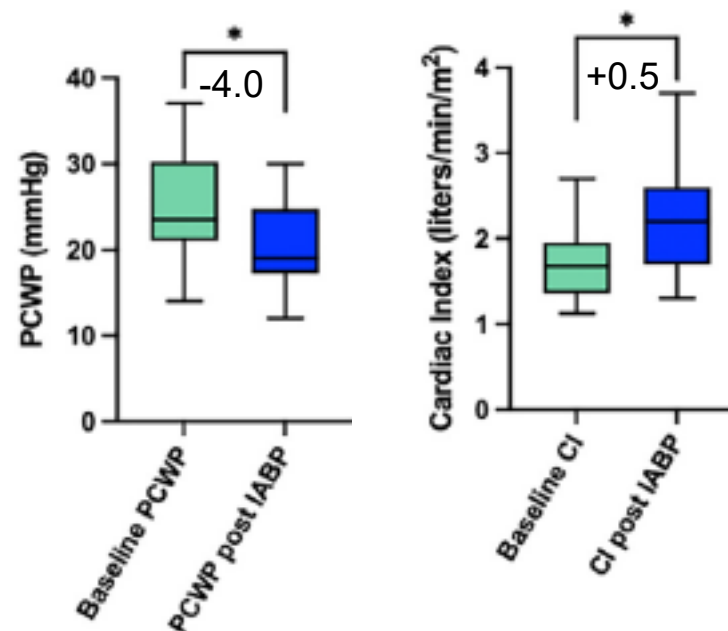




not only flow but WP reduction even in “not Impella-friendly” hearts

23 amyloid-CS pts

Echocardiographic	
LVEF, %	37 ± 14
LVEDD, cm	4.0 ± 0.5
LV posterior wall thickness, cm	1.67 ± 0.4
IVS wall thickness, cm	1.72 ± 0.5



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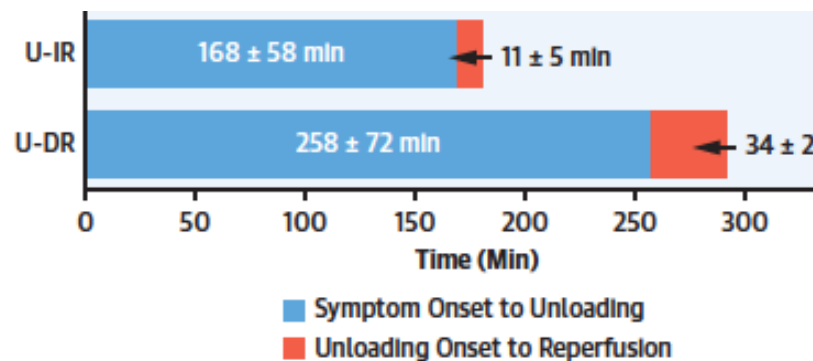
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not only flow but myocardial preservation

23 patients from STEMI-DTU pilot trial

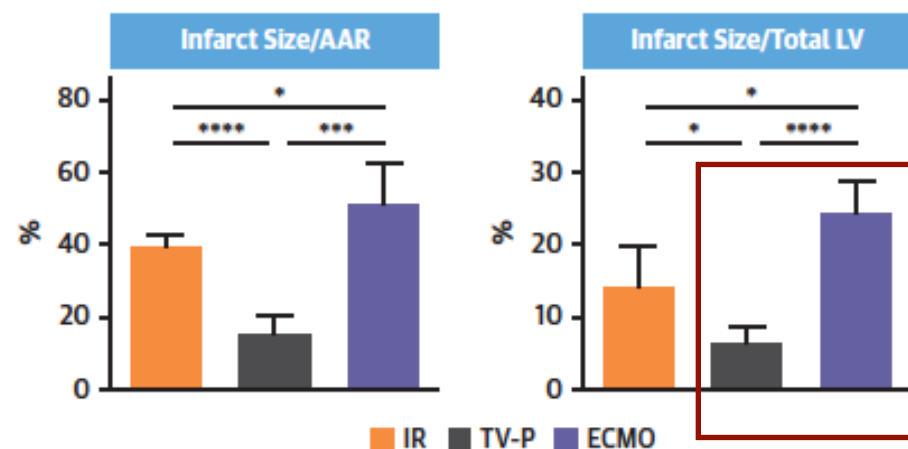
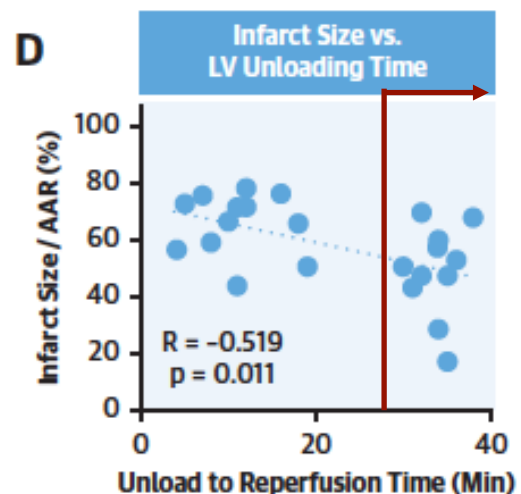
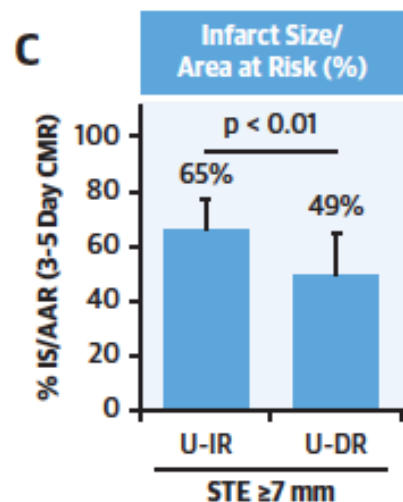
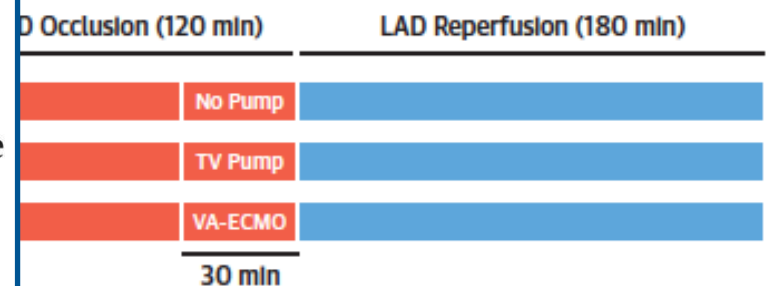


Trial Designs

Primary left ventricular unloading with delayed reperfusion in patients with anterior ST-elevation myocardial infarction: Rationale and design of the STEMI-DTU randomized pivotal trial

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Male swines



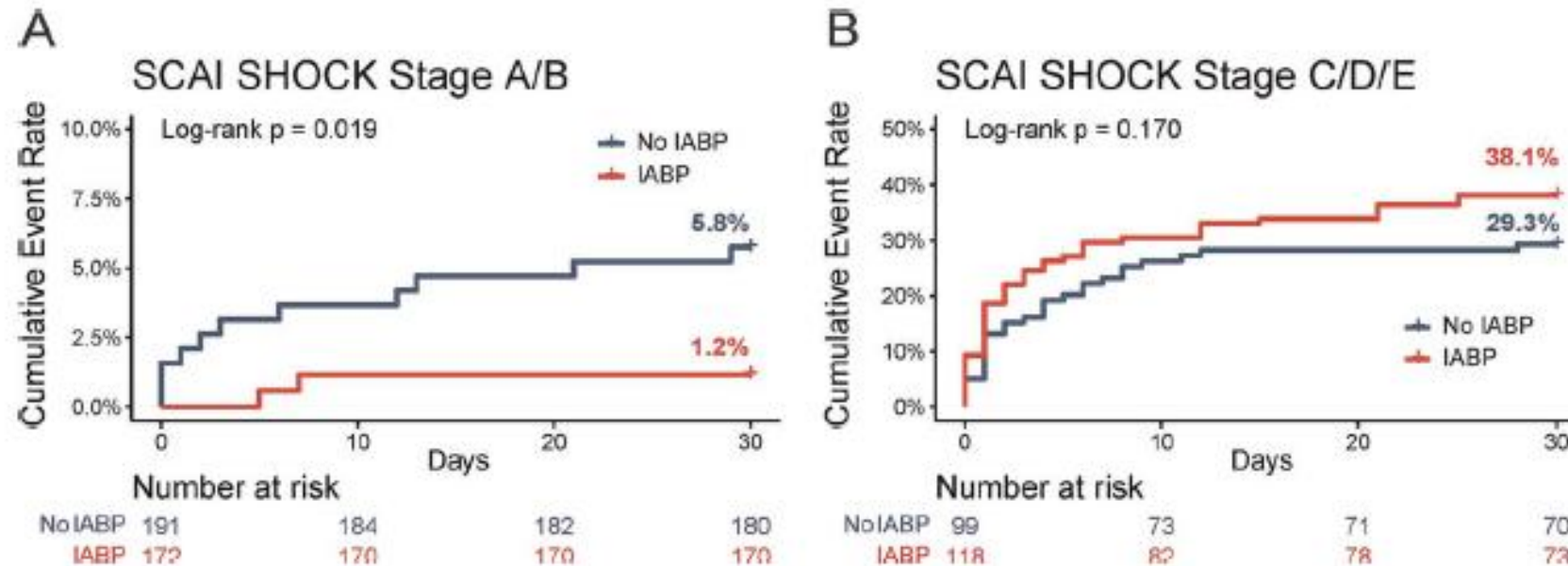
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clinical predictors of response to IABP: SCAI stage

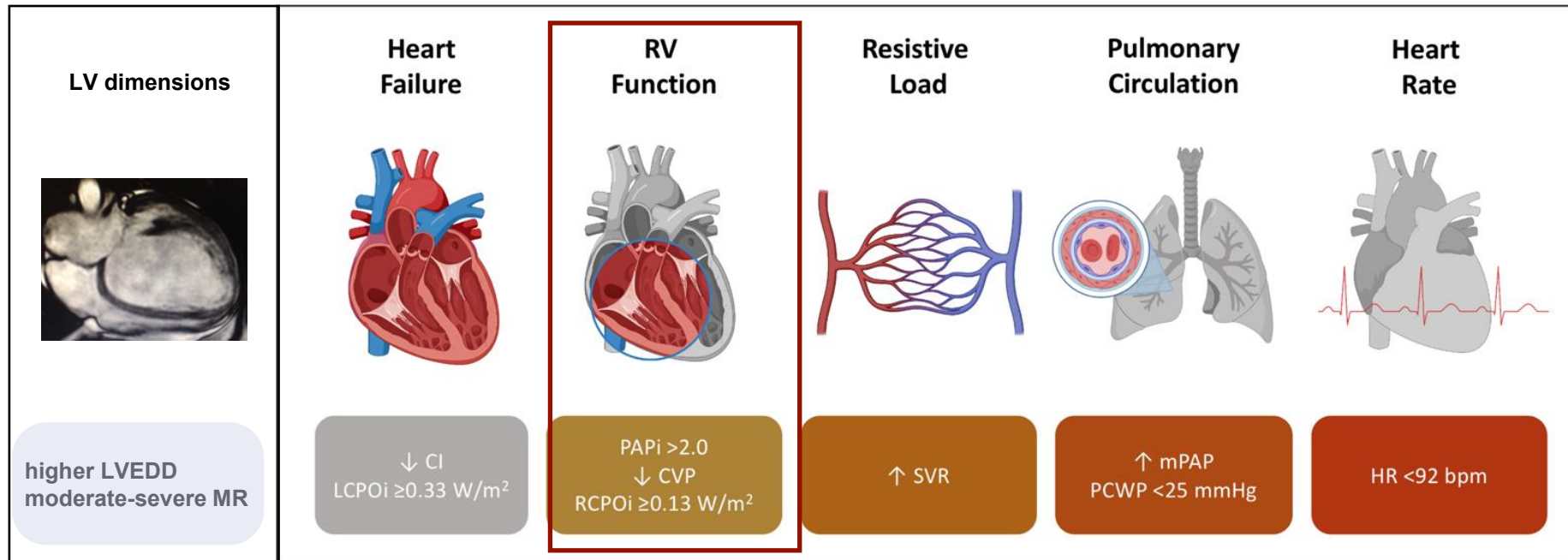
**INTRA-AORTIC BALLOON PUMP REDUCES 30-DAY MORTALITY IN
EARLY-STAGE CARDIOGENIC SHOCK COMPLICATING ACUTE
MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION ACCORDING TO SCAI CLASSIFICATION**

5343 AMI patients





phenotyping the best responder to IABP

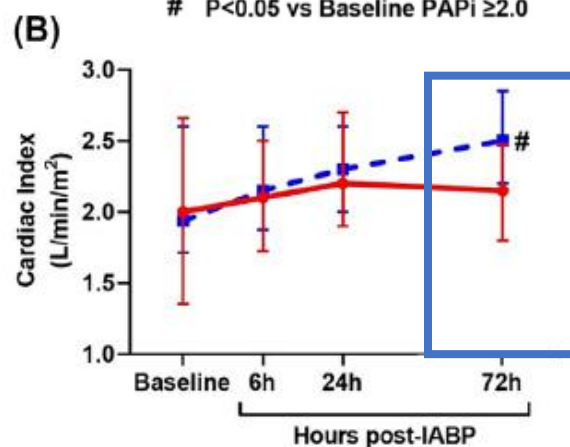
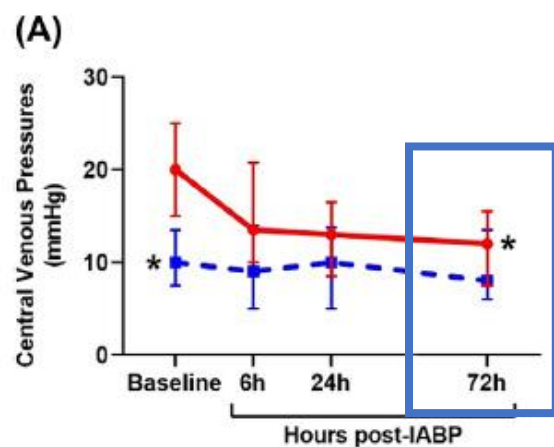




the strange case of RV dysfunction:

RV dysfunction predict poor response to IAOBP

RV dysfunction is associated to:
lower increase in CI
higher need of escalation
higher VIS
higher dose of diuretics



67 ADHF-CS patients

■ PAPI ≥ 2.0 (N=29)

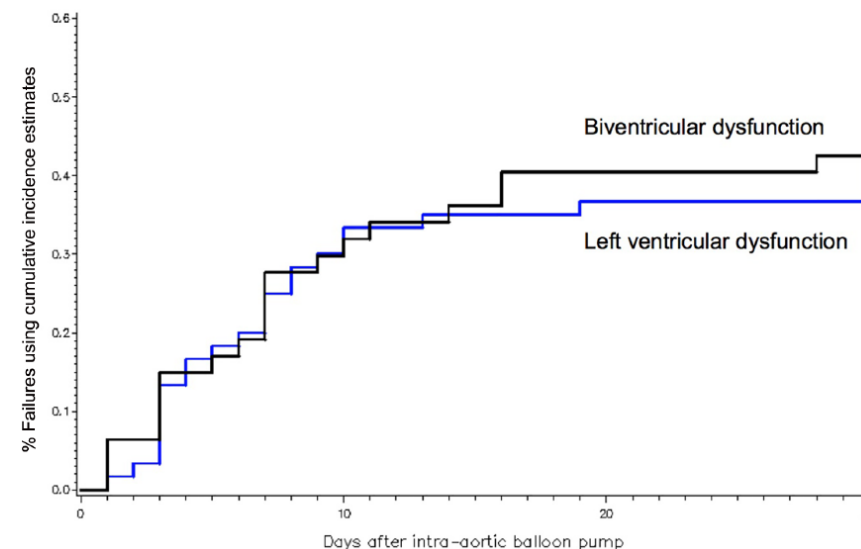
■ PAPI < 2.0 (N=38)

* P < 0.05 vs Baseline PAPI < 2.0

P < 0.05 vs Baseline PAPI ≥ 2.0

107 CS patients (only 15% AMI-CS)

RV failure = TAPSE < 16 mm + RAP > 15 e RAP/WP > 0.6

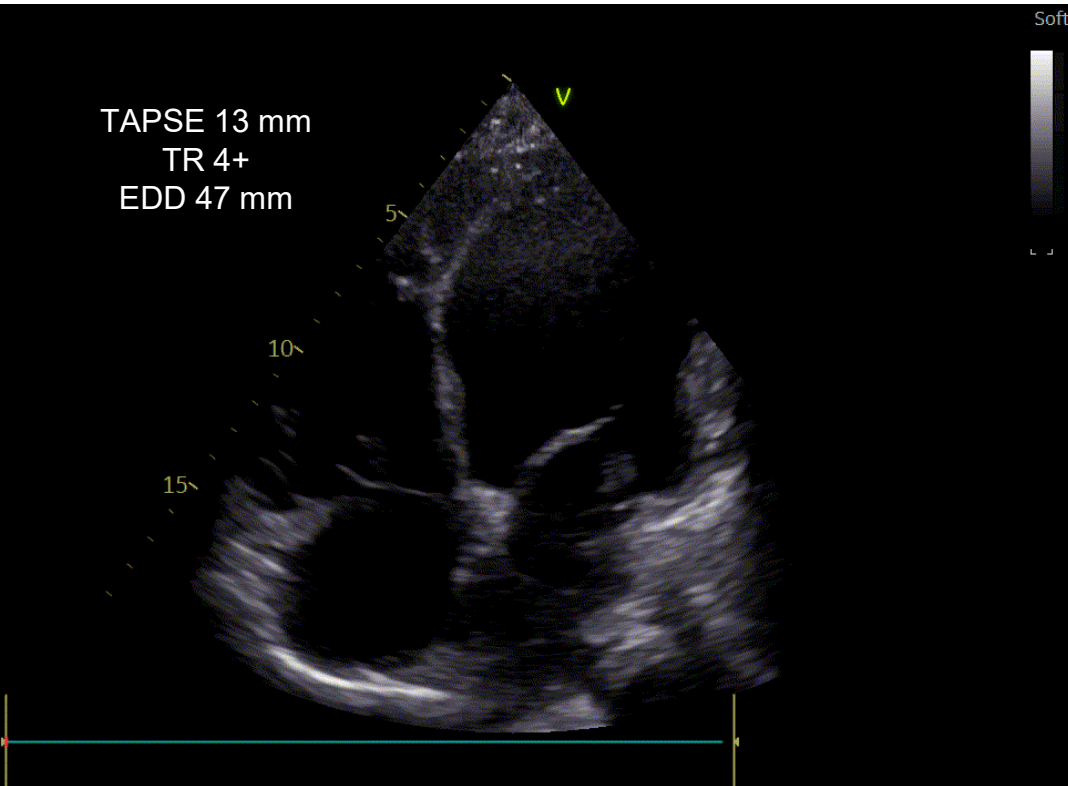


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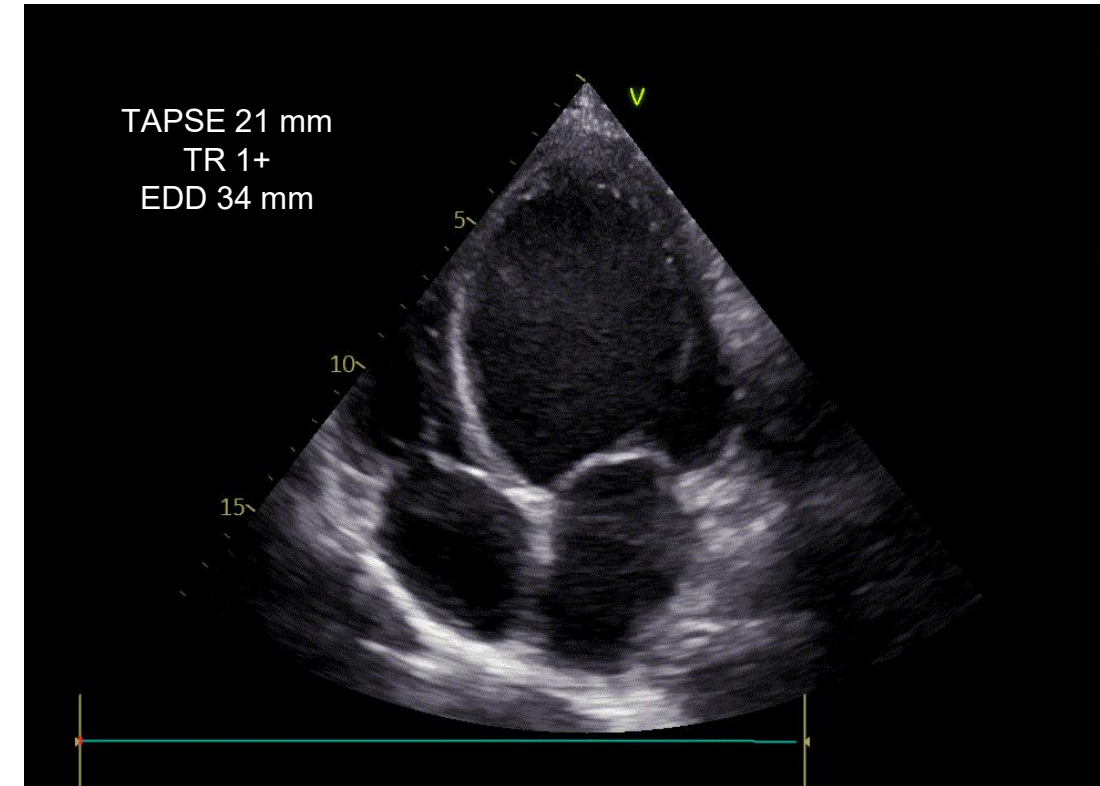
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the strange case of RV dysfunction:

RV reverse remodeling by IABP



23 days on
IAoBP and NTP



Prolonged intra-aortic balloon pump support in biventricular heart failure induces right ventricular reverse remodeling

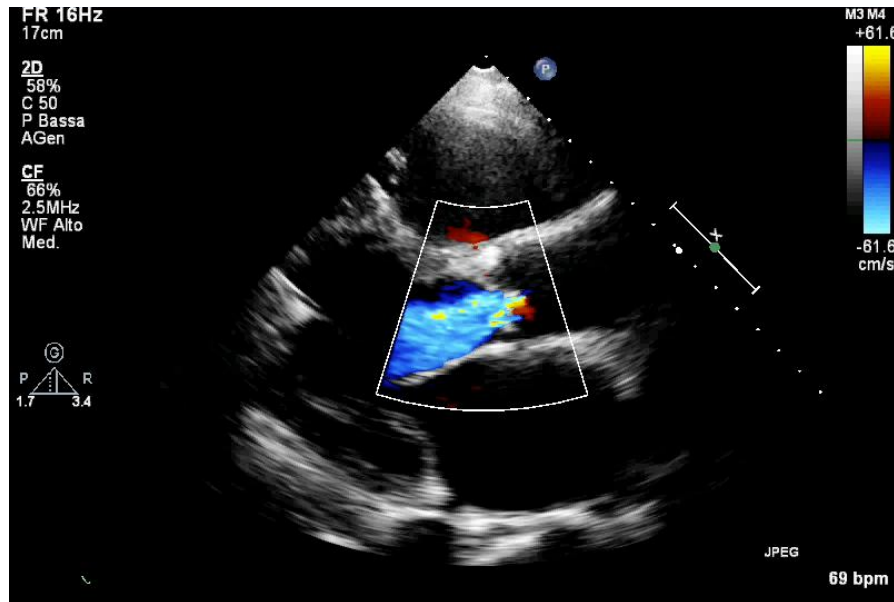
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15 CMD - avg 73 days on IABP - 6 pts successful BTC-to-LVAD



Impella related aortic regurgitation



Impact of Impella Support on the Progression of Aortic Insufficiency Following L-VAD Implantation
Elad B et al.

retrospective, monocentric (Columbia),
270 HM3 patients, INTERMACS 2

sAI at 1 year post-LVAD:
Impella-pre-LVAD 36% vs. no-Impella 6%

IABP vs. pVAD



	IABP	Impella
Evidence	C	B
Cardiac flow	0.3-0.5 L/min	1.1-3.7 L/min (CP) 1.5-5.5 L/min (5.5)
Femoral artery size	> 4 mm	5-5.5 mm (CP) 8 mm (5.5)
Max implant days	Weeks	5 (7) days (CP) 14 days (5.5)
WP	↓	↓ ↓
Cardiac synchrony or stable rhythm	Yes	No
Aortic injury	No	Yes
Haemocompatibility AE	+	++
Main indications	ADHF AMI-CS SCAI B	AMI-CS SCAI C



etiology again

	ADHF	AMI-CS
LV morphology	Large LV + MR Biv dysfunction	Small LV LV-prevalent dysfunction
Disease trajectory	slow insidious decline	rapidly evolving situation
Tolerance to hypoperfusion	high	very low
Resistive load	high	normal or low
Main hemodynamic need	afterload reduction	more flow
Primary treatment target	EO restoration	myocardial preservation
Expected outcome	disease stabilization and RV remodeling	LV myocardial recovery
MCS	IABP (timing?)	Impella (SCAI C, no vascular bed issues) IABP (SCAI B)
Support strategies	escalation	upfront

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