

CARDIO-ONCOLOGY: WHY CANCER NEEDS A HEART DOCTOR

An anatomical illustration of the human heart and its associated blood vessels. The heart is shown in a frontal view, with the four chambers (right and left atria and ventricles) clearly visible. A network of red arteries and blue veins branches out from the heart, filling the thoracic cavity. The background is a deep red, featuring several large, semi-transparent red blood cells, which adds a biological and medical context to the image.

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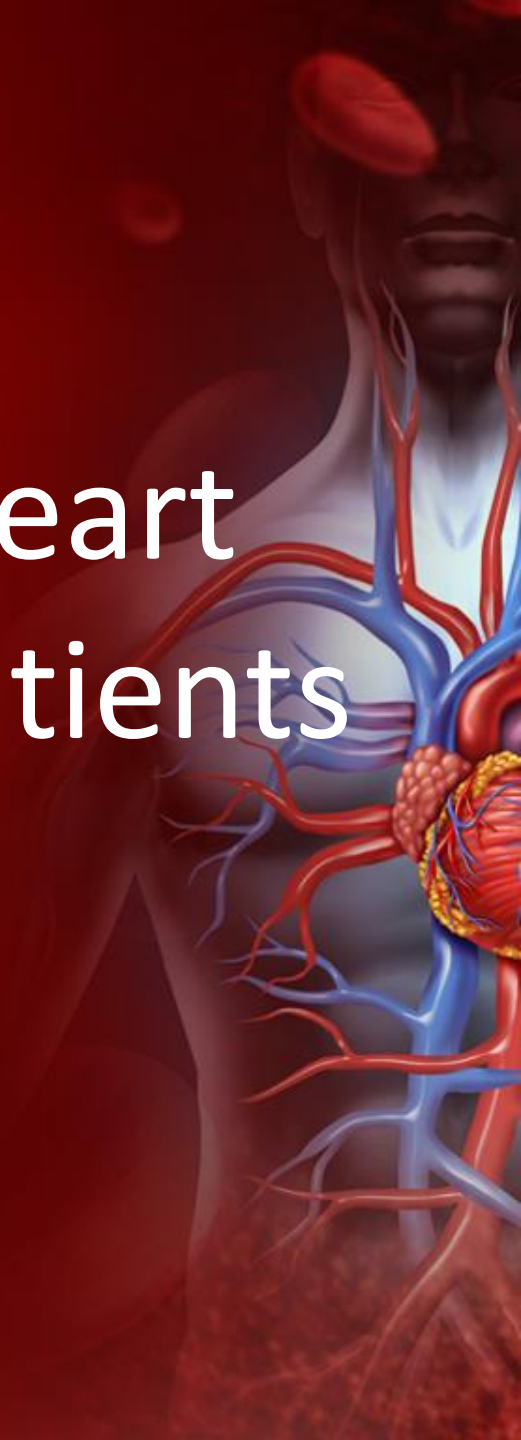


Learning Objectives

- Epidemiology of heart disease in cancer patients
- Cardiotoxicity of various Chemotherapeutic agents
- Cardiotoxicity of Radiation Therapy
- Cardiotoxicity of Hormonal Therapy
- Risk Factors for chemo/radiation-induced cardiotoxicity
- Markers of, and Diagnostic modalities for cardiotoxicity related to cancer therapy
- Cardiac therapy in cancer patients
- When to refer to Cardio-Oncology

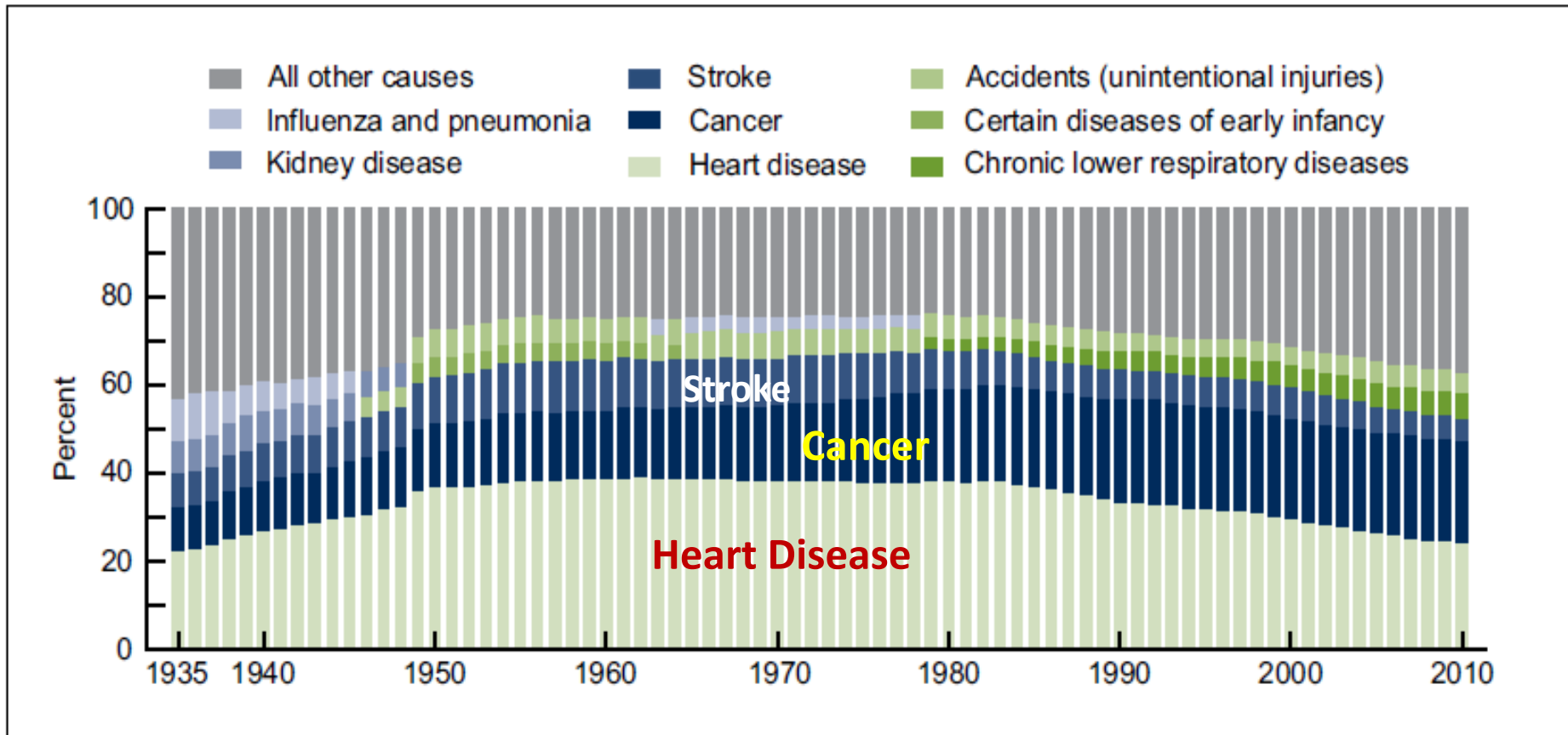


Epidemiology of Heart Disease in Cancer Patients



Heart disease and cancer remained the 1st and 2nd leading causes of death, respectively, over the 75-year period.

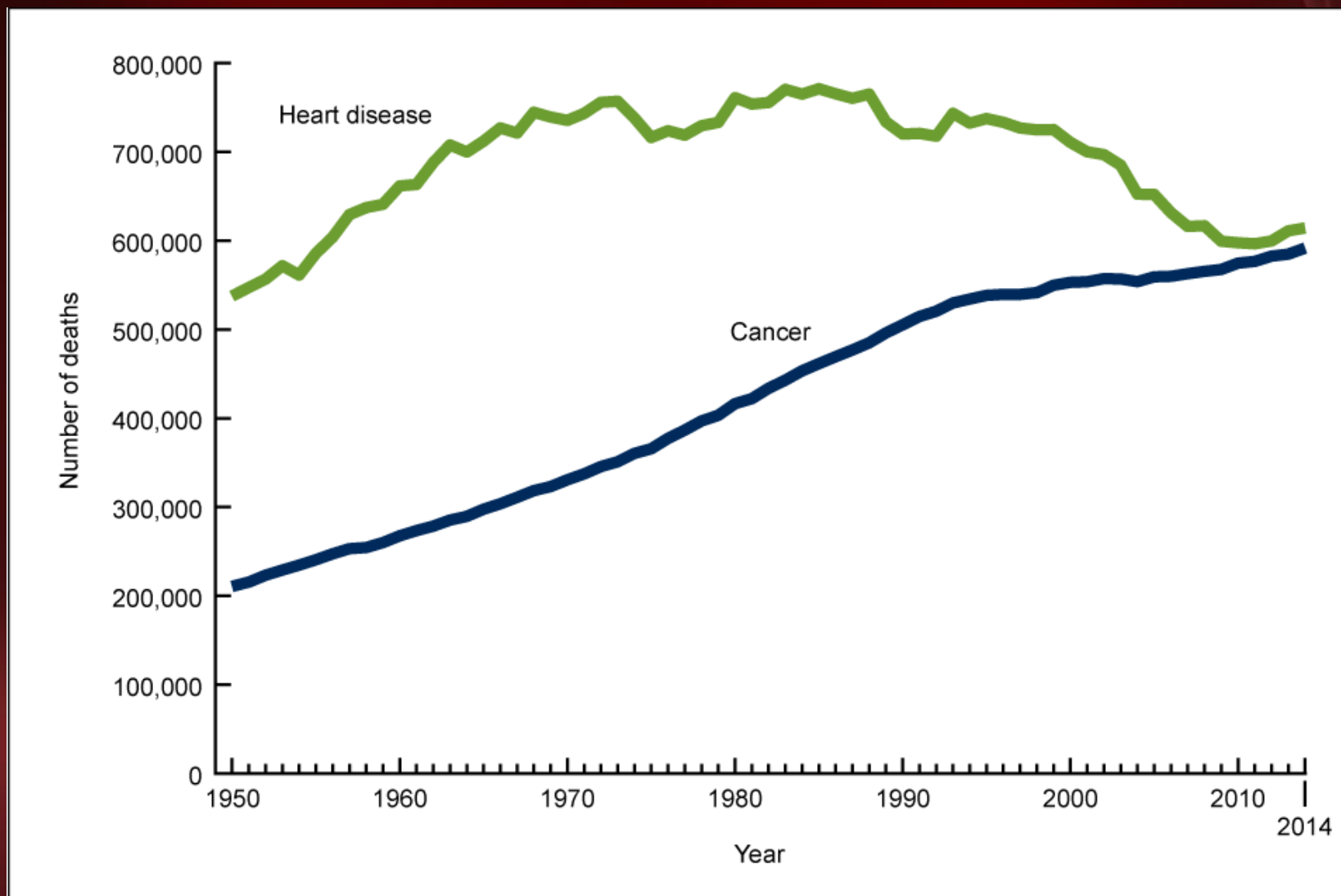
Figure 2. Percentage of all deaths due to five leading causes of death by year: United States, 1935–2010



NOTE: 2010 data are preliminary.

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality.

Deaths due to Heart Disease and Cancer



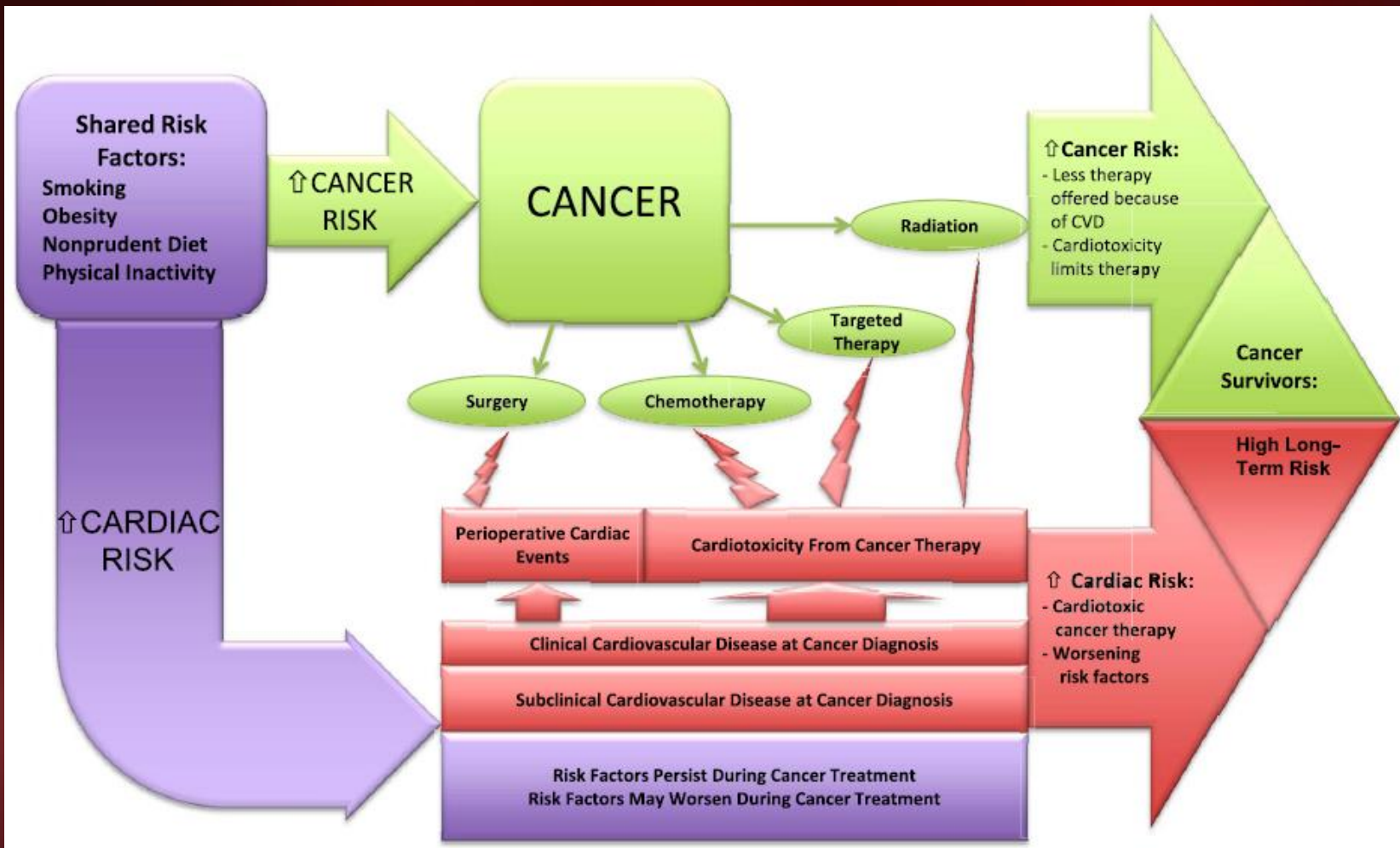
NOTES: Leading cause is based on number of deaths. Access data table for Figure 1 at: http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/databriefs/db254_table.pdf#1.

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Heart disease patients
are more likely to have
a higher risk of cancer
than the general
population

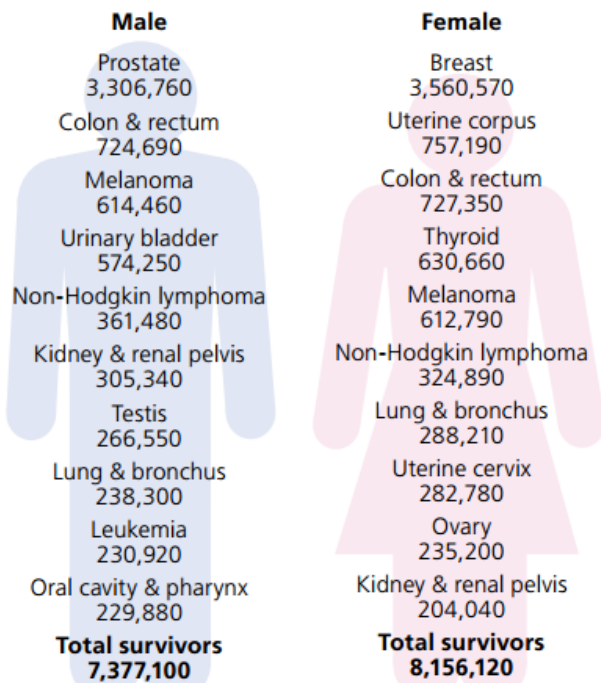


Interactions between Heart Disease, Risk Factors, Cancer, Cancer Therapy

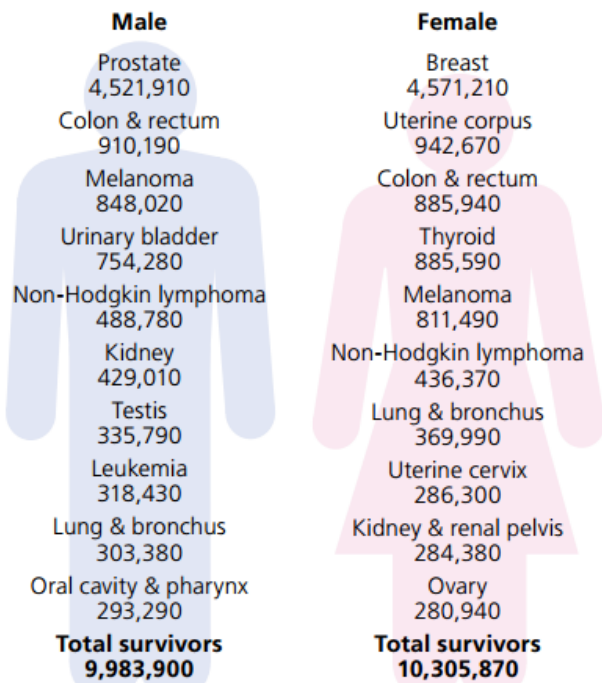


Estimated Numbers of US Cancer Survivors by Site

As of January 1, 2016



As of January 1, 2026



NOTE: Beginning with the 2016-2017 edition, estimates for specific cancer types now take into account the potential for a history of more than one cancer type. Estimates should not be compared to those from previous years. See Sources of Statistics, page 34, for more information.

Source: Surveillance Research Program, Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences, National Cancer Institute.

American Cancer Society, Surveillance and Health Services Research, 2016

Many of these survivors have had radiation or chemotherapy, with potential long-term cardiovascular toxicities; attenuate clinical success of oncologic treatments

Estimated Numbers of Cancer Survivors by State as of January 1, 2016

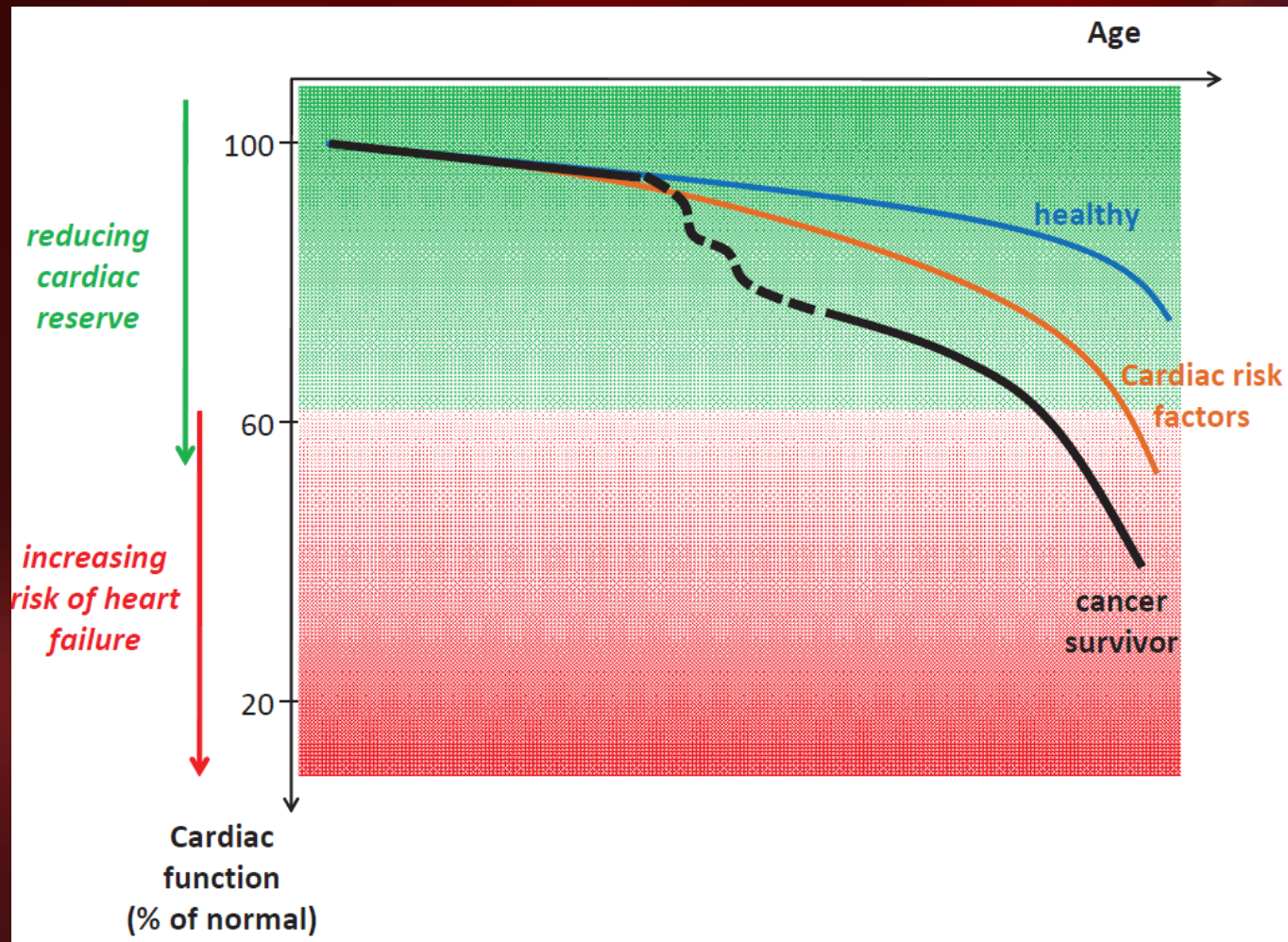


Heart Disease in Cancer: Risks

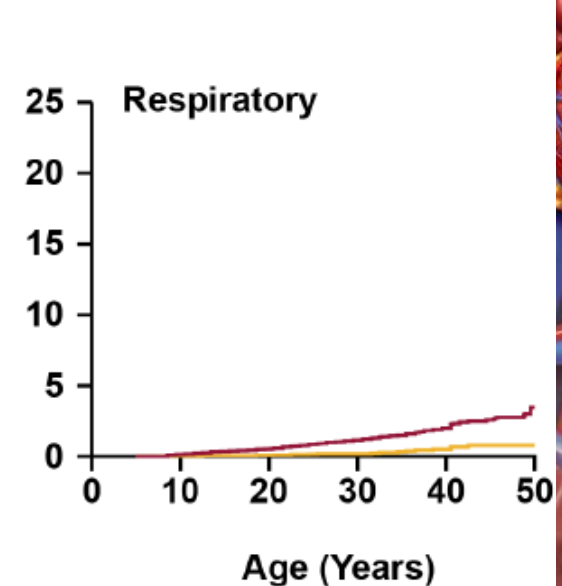
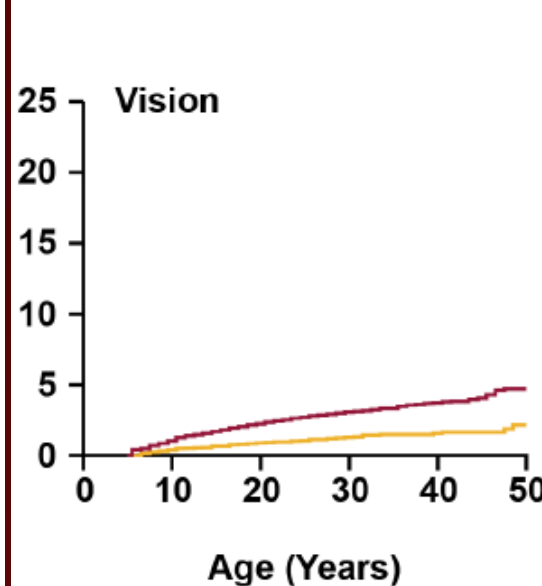
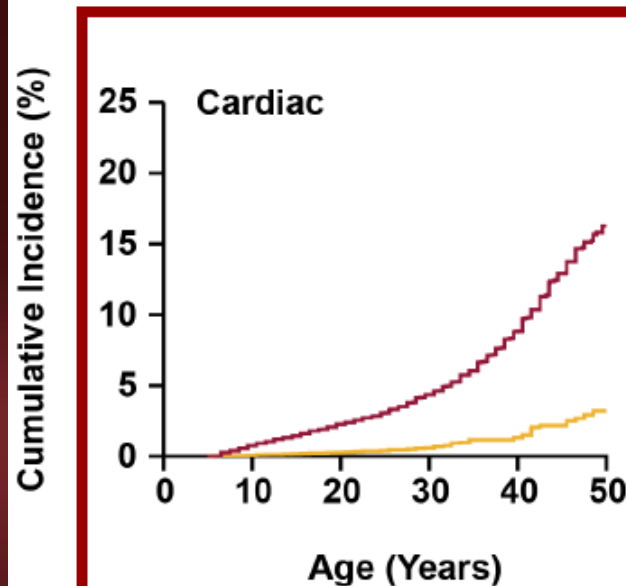
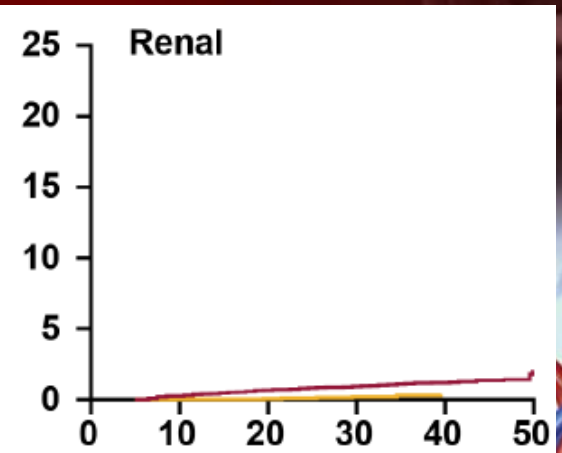
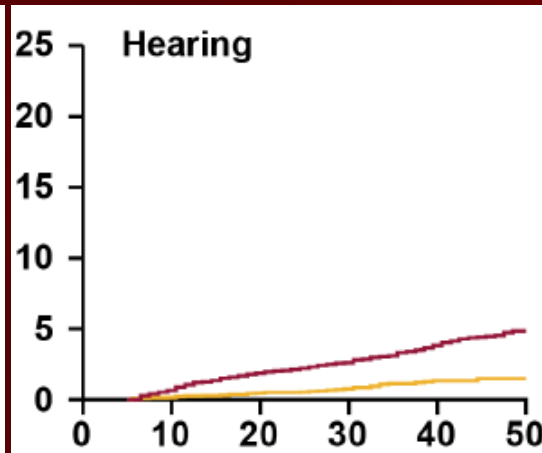
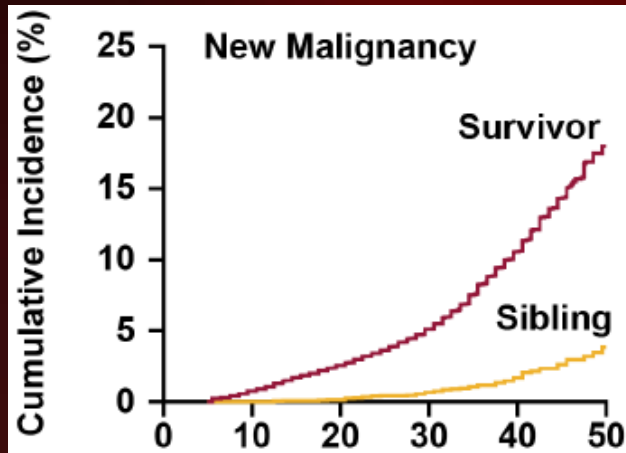
- > 50% of all patients exposed to chemotherapy will show some degree of cardiac dysfunction 10 to 20 years after chemotherapy
 - 5% will develop overt heart failure
 - 40% will experience arrhythmias
 - Eight-fold higher cardiovascular mortality when compared with the general population



Oncologic Treatments: Long-term Risk of HF, Despite Short-term Reassurance



Survivors of Childhood Cancer: Cumulative Incidence by Organ Systems



Chemotherapy



Chemotherapy and the Heart: Why?

- Cardiac Cells do not divide
 - High protein synthesis
 - High metabolism
- Do not regenerate?
- Rely heavily on ordered cell-cell communication
- Responsive to biologic stress
- Consist of terminally differentiated cells unprotected by a vascular barrier
- Susceptible to permanent and adverse effects of chemo and radiation therapy



Anthracyclines (doxorubicin, epirubicin, idarubicin)
Alkylating agents (cyclophosphamide, ifosfamide)
Antimicrotubule agents (docetaxel)
Monoclonal antibody (bevacizumab, trastuzumab)
TKIs (dasatinib, imatinib, lapatinib, sunitinib)
Antimetabolites (clofarabine)
Proteasome inhibitors (bortezomib)

Cardiomyopathy/ Heart Failure

Hypertension

- **Monoclonal antibody-based TKI** (bevacizumab)
- **Small molecule TKIs** (sorafenib, sunitinib, pazopanib, axitinib, cediranib)
- **VEGF trap:** Aflibercept

Chemotherapy-Induced Cardiovascular Toxicity

Arrhythmias (bradycardia, QT prolongation)

- **Angiogenesis inhibitor** (thalidomide)
- **Antimicrotubule agent** (paclitaxel)
- **Histone deacetylase inhibitor** (vorinostat)
- **Small molecule TKIs** (dasatinib, lapatinib, nilotinib)
- **Miscellaneous** (arsenic trioxide)

Ischemia

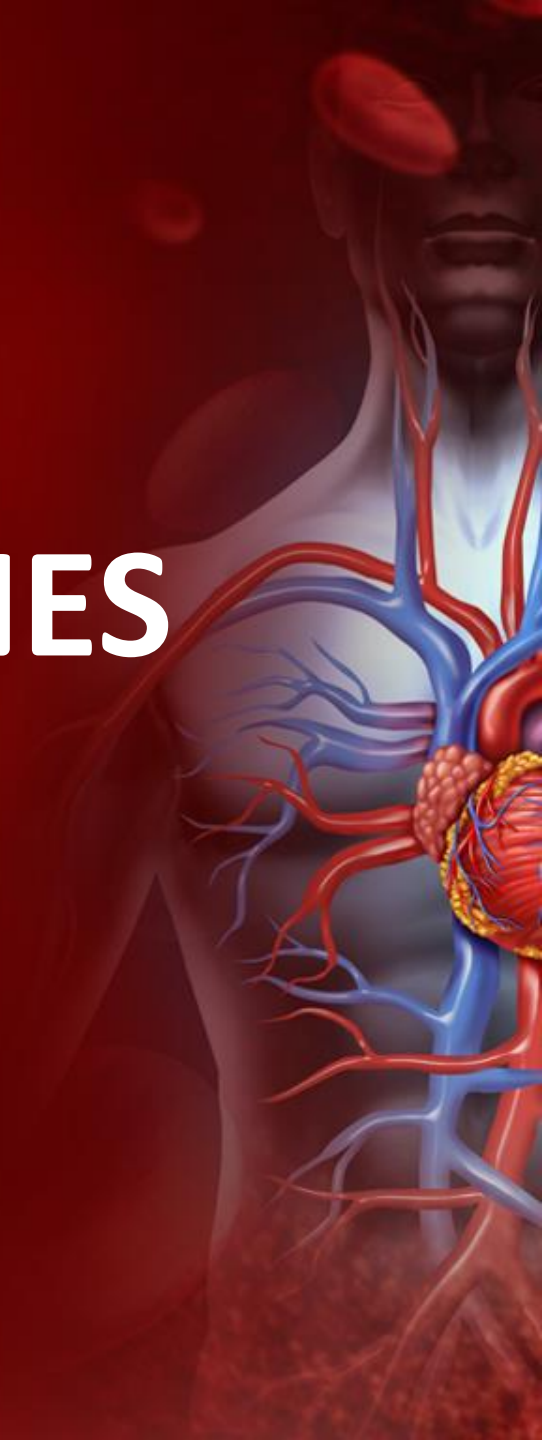
- **Antimetabolites** (5-FU, capecitabine)
- **Antimicrotubule agents** (docetaxel, paclitaxel)
- **Monoclonal antibody-based TKI** (bevacizumab)
- **Small molecule TKIs** (erlotinib, sorafenib)



Incidence of LV Dysfunction Associated with Cancer Therapy

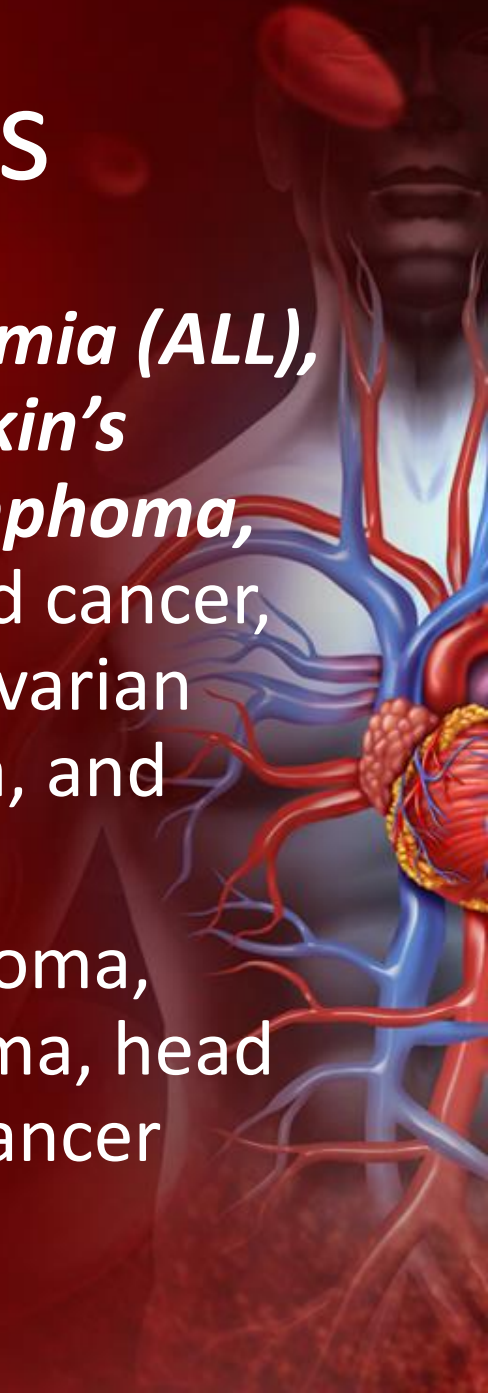
| Chemotherapy agents | Incidence (%) |
|--|-------------------------|
| Anthracyclines (dose dependent) | |
| Doxorubicin (Adriamycin) | |
| 400 mg/m ² | 3–5 |
| 550 mg/m ² | 7–26 |
| 700 mg/m ² | 18–48 |
| Idarubicin (>90 mg/m ²) | 5–18 |
| Epirubicin (>900 mg/m ²) | 0.9–11.4 |
| Mitoxanthone >120 mg/m ² | 2.6 |
| Liposomal anthracyclines (>900 mg/m ²) | 2 |
| Alkylating agents | |
| Cyclophosphamide | 7–28 |
| Ifosfamide | |
| <10 g/m ² | 0.5 |
| 12.5–16 g/m ² | 17 |
| Antimetabolites | |
| Clofarabine | 27 |
| Antimicrotubule agents | |
| Docetaxel | 2.3–13 |
| Paclitaxel | <1 |
| Monoclonal antibodies | |
| Trastuzumab | 1.7–20.1 ^{28a} |
| Bevacizumab | 1.6–4 ^{4b} |
| Pertuzumab | 0.7–1.2 |
| Small molecule tyrosine kinase inhibitors | |
| Sunitinib | 2.7–19 |
| Pazopanib | 7–11 |
| Sorafenib | 4–8 |
| Dasatinib | 2–4 |
| Imatinib mesylate | 0.2–2.7 |
| Lapatinib | 0.2–1.5 |
| Nilotinib | 1 |
| Proteasome inhibitors | |
| Carfilzomib | 11–25 |
| Bortezomib | 2–5 |
| Miscellaneous | |
| Everolimus | <1 |
| Temsirolimus | <1 |

ANTHRACYCLINES

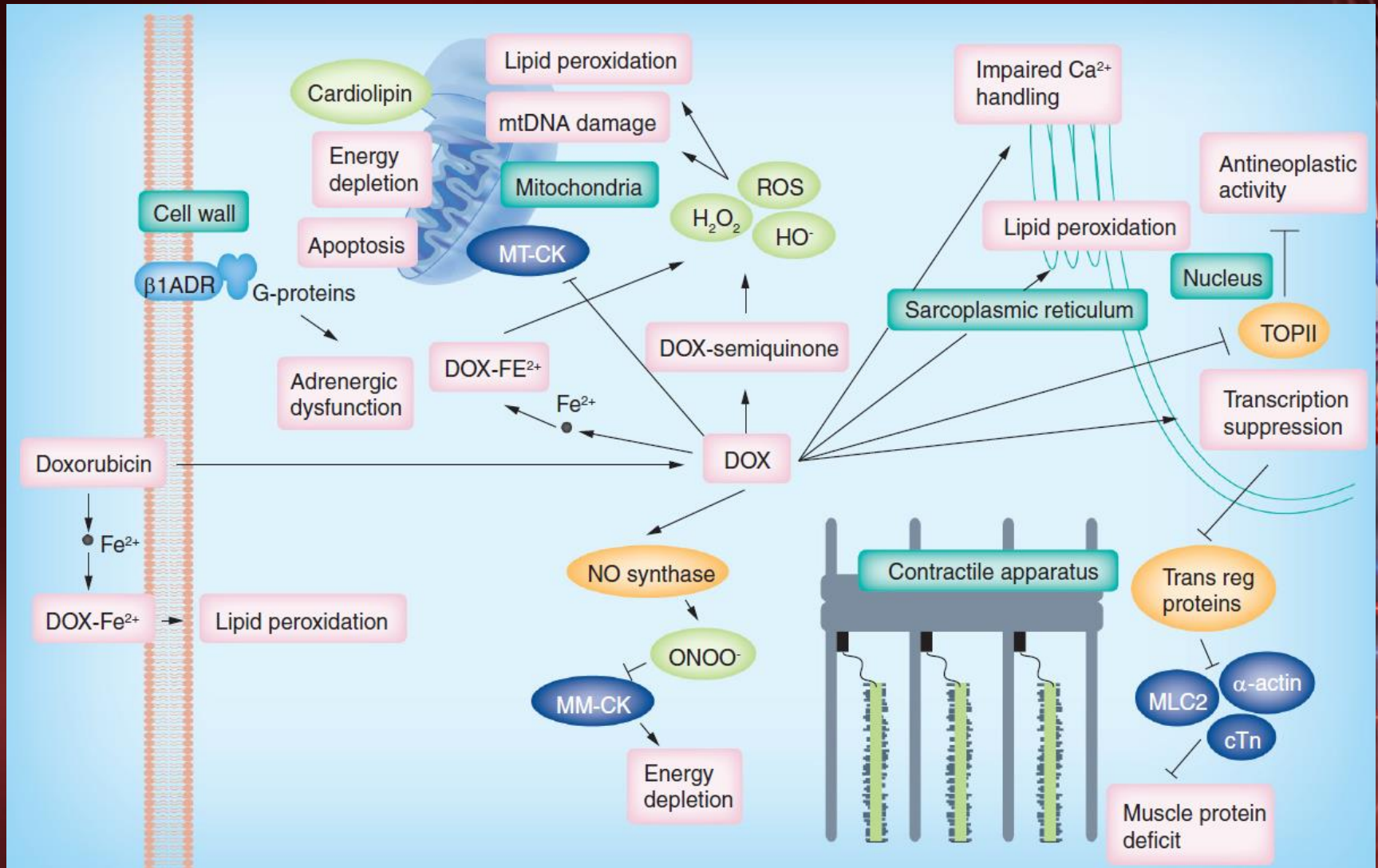


Doxorubicin: Uses

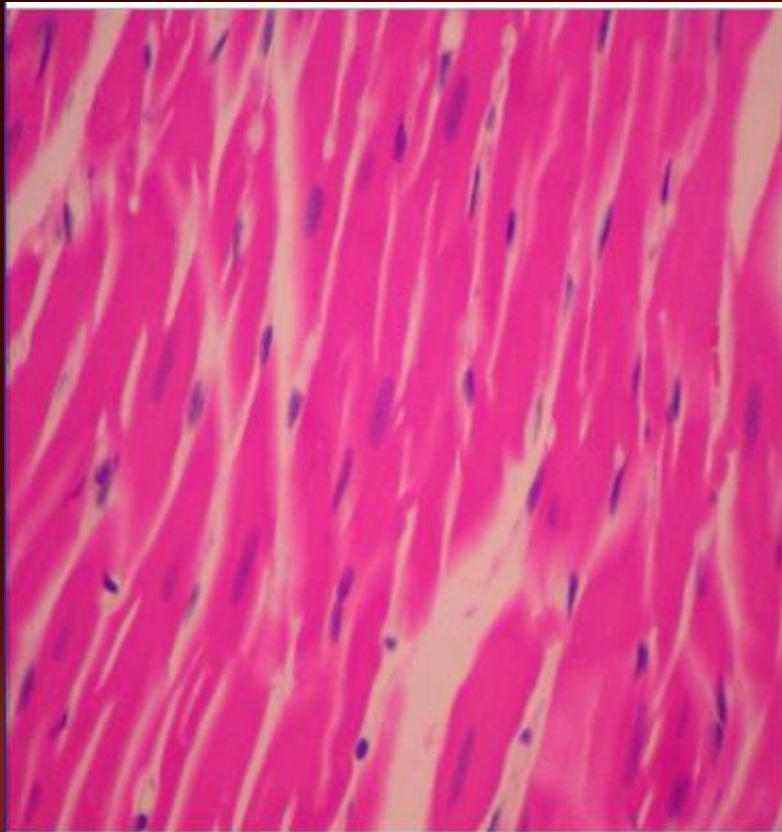
- Treatment of *acute lymphocytic leukemia (ALL)*, *acute myeloid leukemia (AML)*, *Hodgkin's disease*, *Breast cancer*, *malignant lymphoma*, *soft tissue and bone sarcomas*, thyroid cancer, small cell lung cancer, gastric cancer, ovarian cancer, bladder cancer, neuroblastoma, and Wilms' tumor
- Unlabeled Treatment of multiple myeloma, endometrial carcinoma, uterine sarcoma, head and neck cancer, liver cancer, kidney cancer



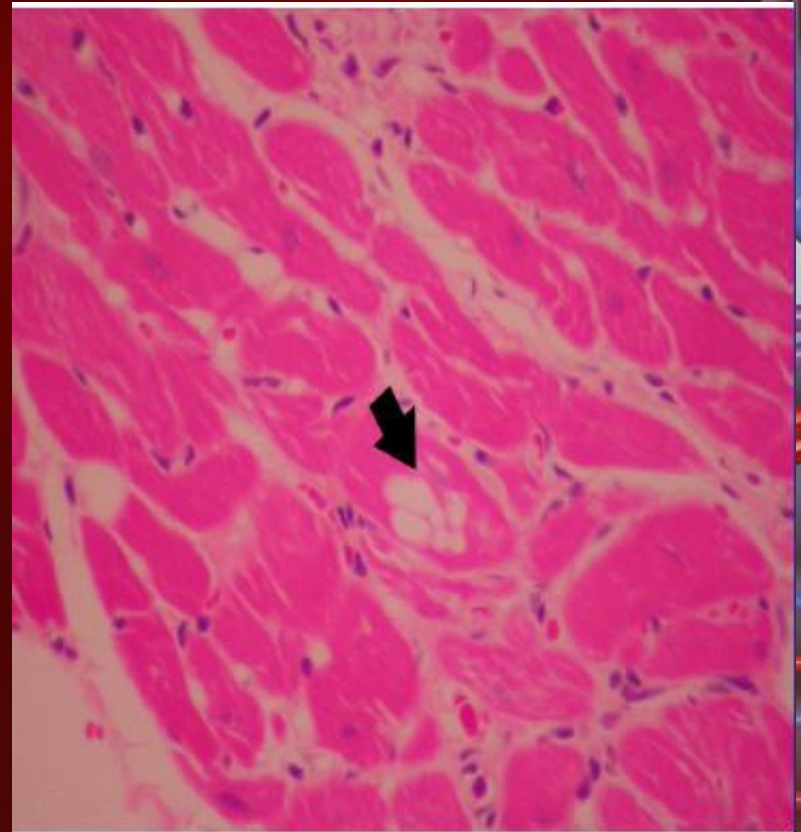
Mechanism of Anthracycline-Induced Cardiotoxicity



Vacuolization with Reduced Ejection Fraction due to Anthracycline Cardiotoxicity



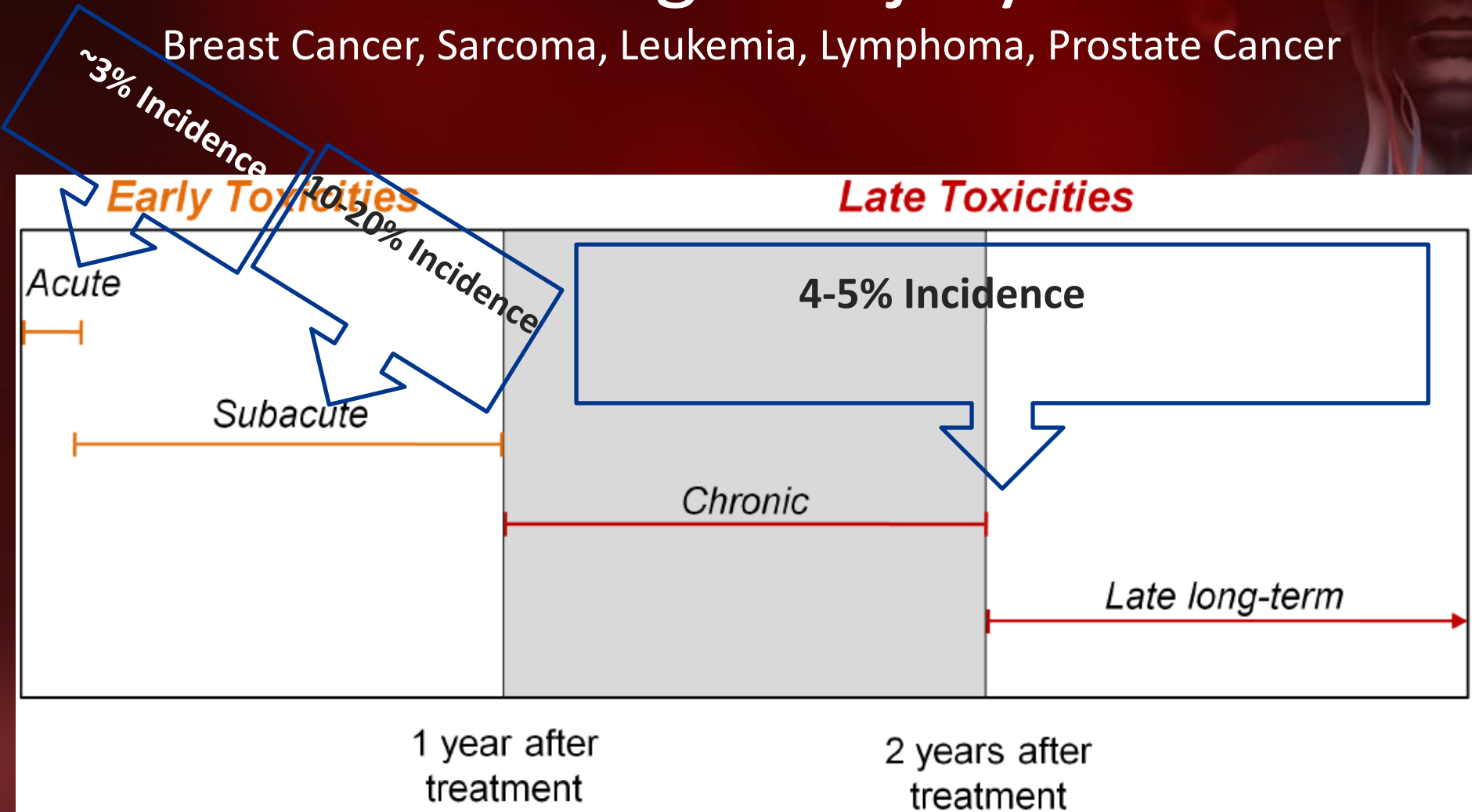
Normal Saline Control



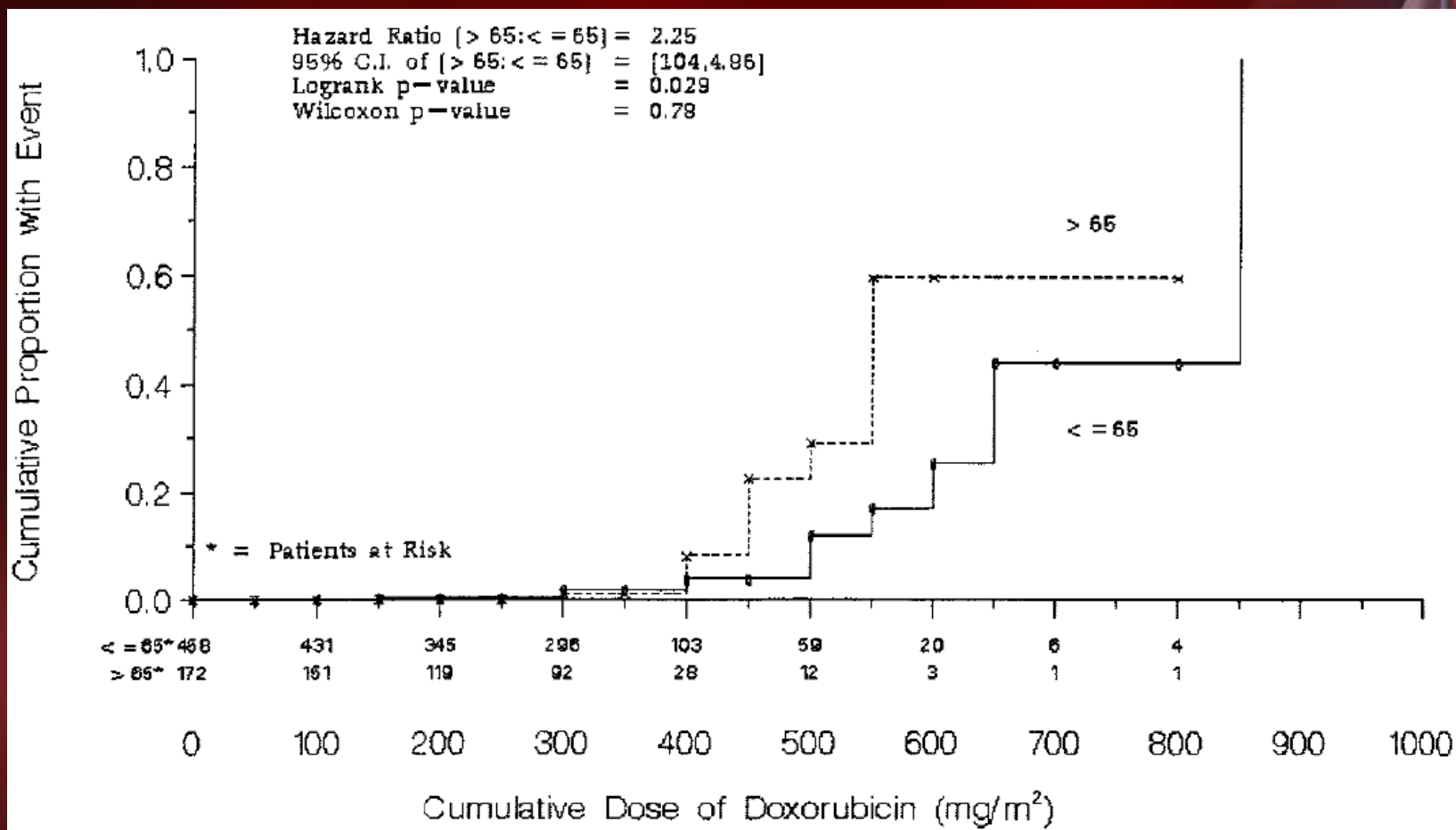
Doxorubicin with LVEF Drop

Timing of Injury:

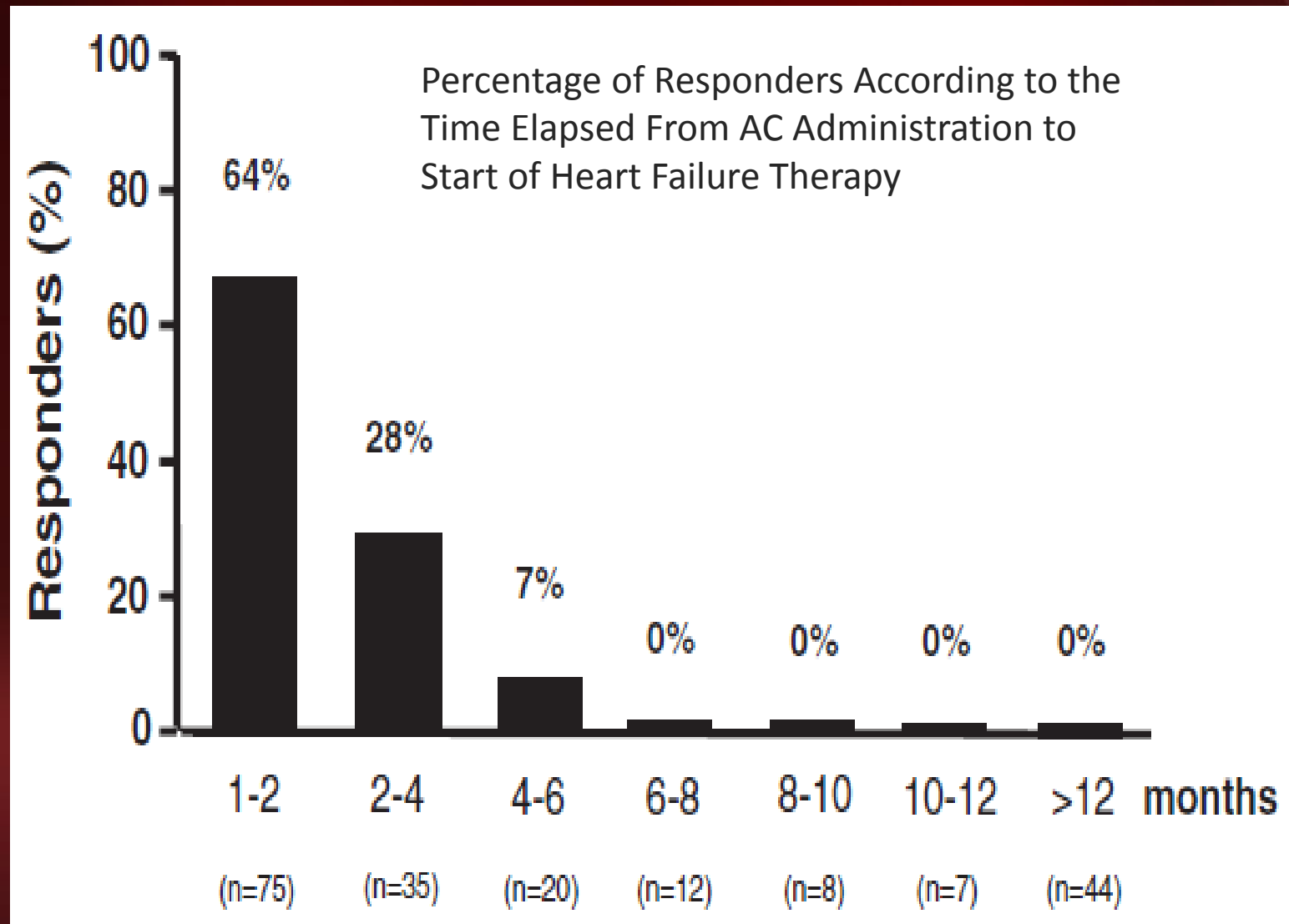
Breast Cancer, Sarcoma, Leukemia, Lymphoma, Prostate Cancer



Dose-Dependent Doxorubicin-Related Heart Failure



Recovery of LV Systolic Function is Dependent on Time to Heart Failure Treatment

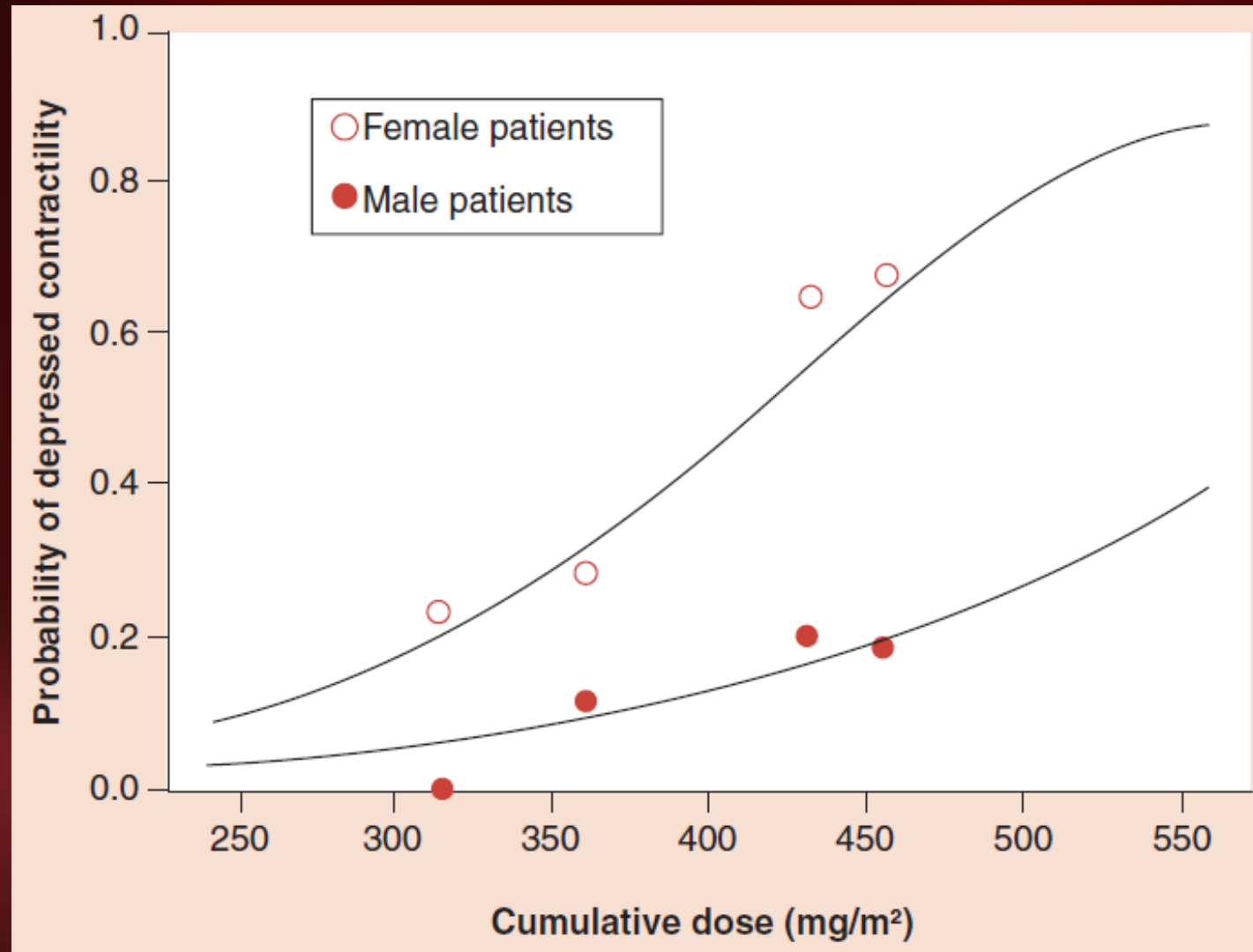


Risk Factors for Anthracycline-Induced CT

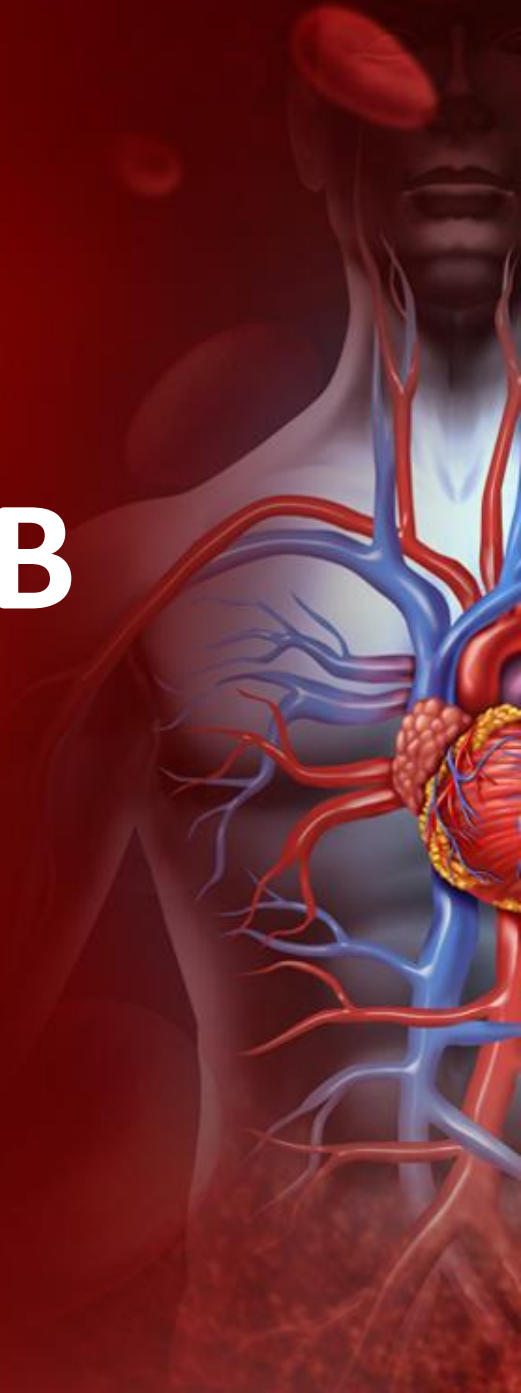
| Risk factor | Aspects |
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| Cumulative anthracycline dose | Cumulative doses >500 mg/m ² associated with marked long-term risk |
| Length of post-therapy interval | Incidence of clinically important cardiotoxicity increases progressively after therapy |
| Rate of anthracycline administration | Prolonged administration to minimize circulating dose volume may decrease toxicity; results are mixed |
| Individual anthracycline dose | Higher individual anthracycline doses are associated with increased late cardiotoxicity, even when cumulative doses are limited |
| Type of anthracycline | Liposomal encapsulated preparations may reduce cardiotoxicity. Data detailing anthracycline analogs and cardiotoxicity differences are conflicting |
| Radiation therapy | Cumulative radiation dose >30 Gy; prior or concomitant anthracycline treatment |
| Concomitant therapy | Trastuzumab, cyclophosphamide, bleomycin, vincristine, amsacrine and mitoxantrone, among others, may increase susceptibility or toxicity |
| Pre-existing cardiac risk factors | Hypertension; ischemic, myocardial and valvular heart disease; prior cardiotoxic treatment |
| Comorbidities | Diabetes, obesity, renal dysfunction, pulmonary disease, endocrinopathies, electrolyte and metabolic abnormalities, sepsis, infection, pregnancy |
| Age | Both young and advanced age at treatment are associated with increased risk |
| Sex | Females are at greater risk than males |
| Additional factors | Trisomy 21; African–American ancestry |



Greater Risk of Anthracycline Cardiotoxicity in Females vs. Males



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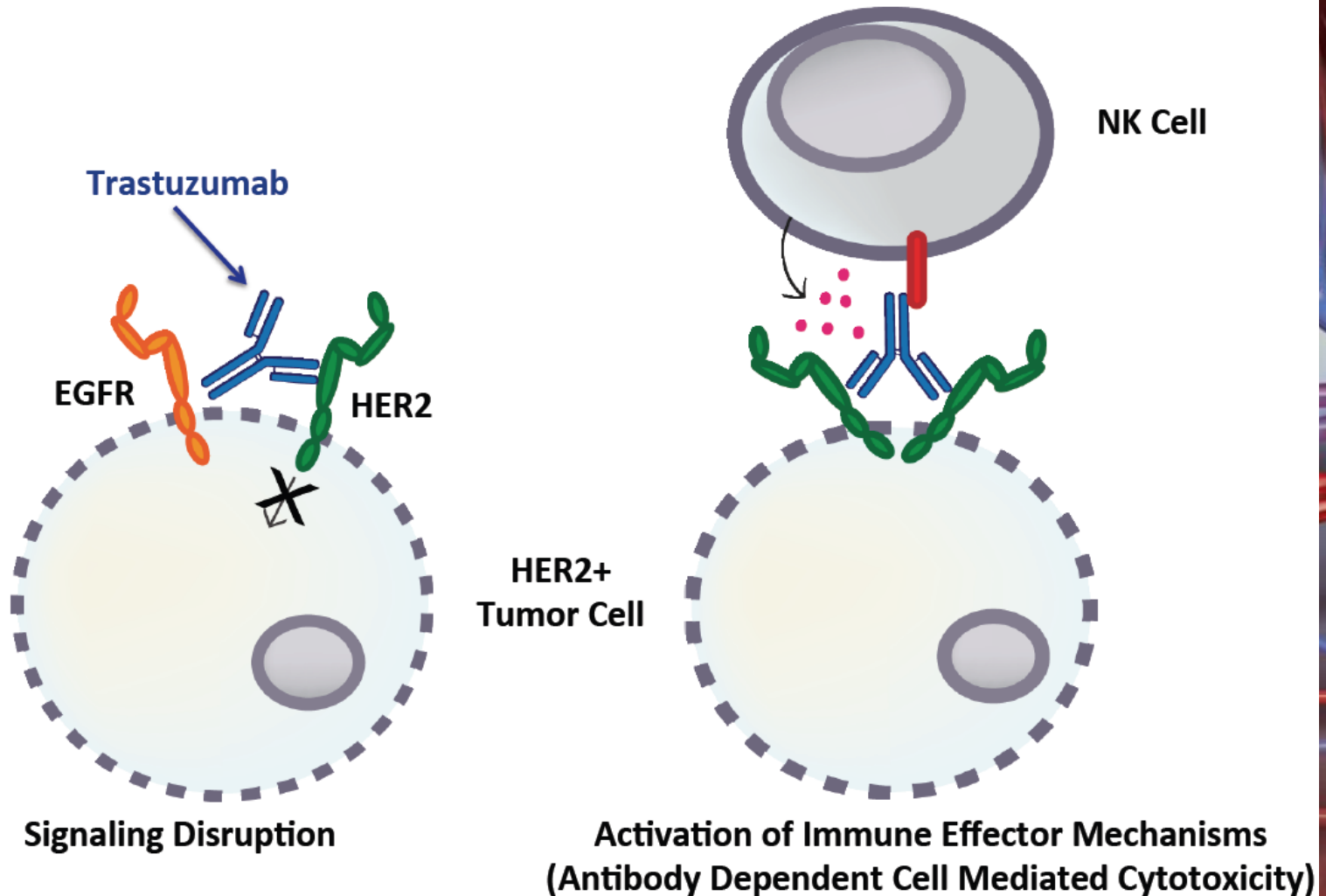


Trastuzumab: Uses

- **Breast cancer, adjuvant treatment, HER2+**
 - Following completion of anthracycline-based chemotherapy
 - With concurrent paclitaxel or docetaxel
 - With concurrent docetaxel/carboplatin
- **Breast cancer, metastatic, HER2+**
 - Either as a single agent or in combination with paclitaxel
- **Gastric cancer, metastatic, HER2+**
 - In combination with cisplatin and either capecitabine or fluorouracil for 6 cycles followed by trastuzumab monotherapy
- **Breast cancer, metastatic, HER2+ (unlabeled combinations)**

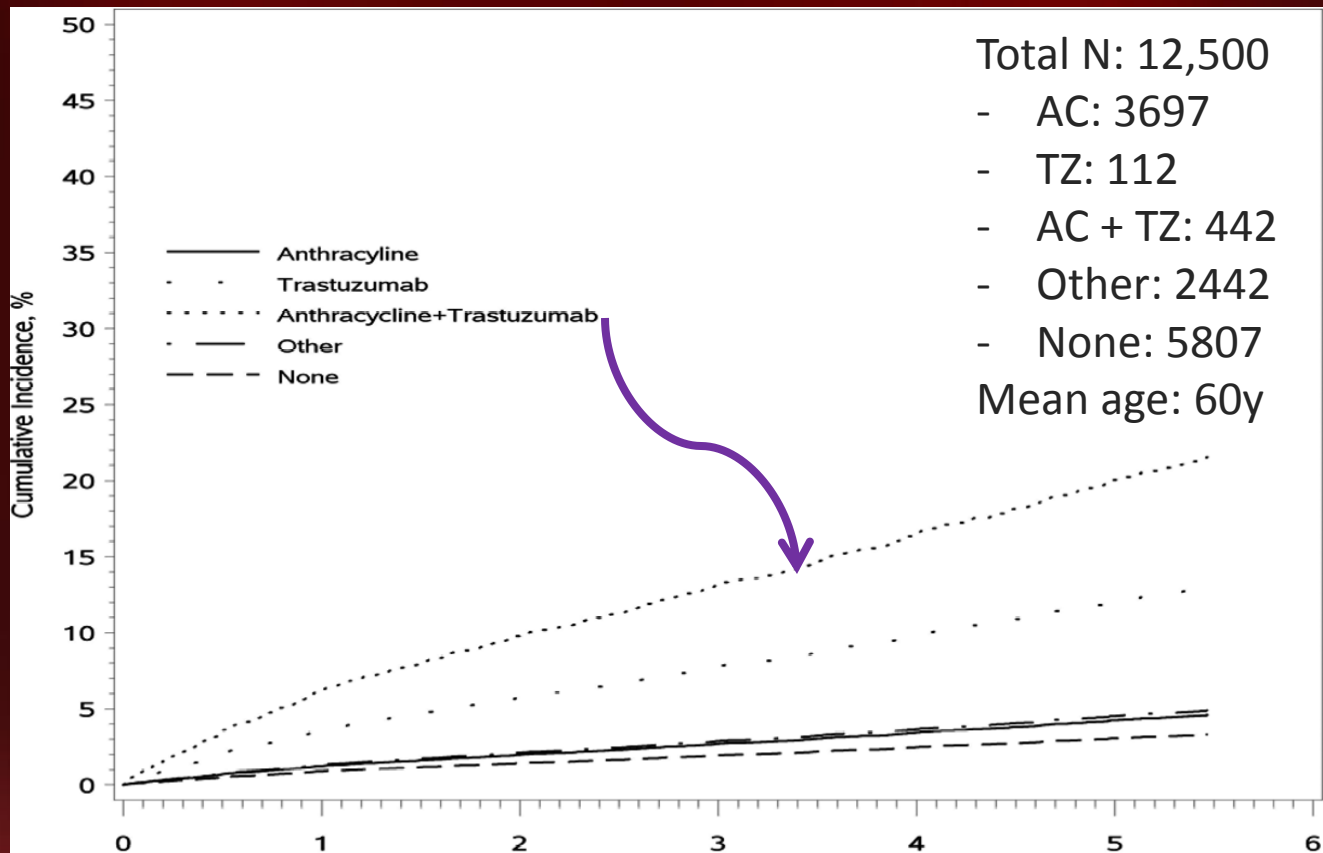


Trastuzumab: Mechanism of Action



Adapted from LOUIS M. WEINER, MD

Cumulative Incidence of Heart Failure: Anthracycline vs. Trastuzumab



Cumulative incidence (95% CI), %

| | | | | | |
|----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Anthracycline only | 1.2 (1.0 to 1.5) | 2.0 (1.6 to 2.4) | 2.7 (2.2 to 3.2) | 3.5 (2.8 to 4.1) | 4.3 (3.5 to 5.0) |
| Trastuzumab only | 3.6 (1.5 to 5.6) | 5.8 (2.5 to 8.9) | 7.8 (3.4 to 12.0) | 9.9 (4.3 to 15.1) | 12.1 (5.3 to 18.3) |
| Anthracycline+ Trastuzumab | 6.2 (4.1 to 8.2) | 9.8 (6.7 to 12.8) | 13.2 (9.1 to 17.1) | 16.5 (11.5 to 21.3) | 20.1 (14.0 to 25.6) |
| Other chemotherapy | 1.3 (1.0 to 1.6) | 2.1 (1.7 to 2.5) | 2.9 (2.4 to 3.4) | 3.7 (3.0 to 4.3) | 4.5 (3.7 to 5.3) |
| None | 0.9 (0.7 to 1.0) | 1.4 (1.2 to 1.7) | 1.9 (1.6 to 2.3) | 2.5 (2.1 to 2.9) | 3.1 (2.6 to 3.5) |

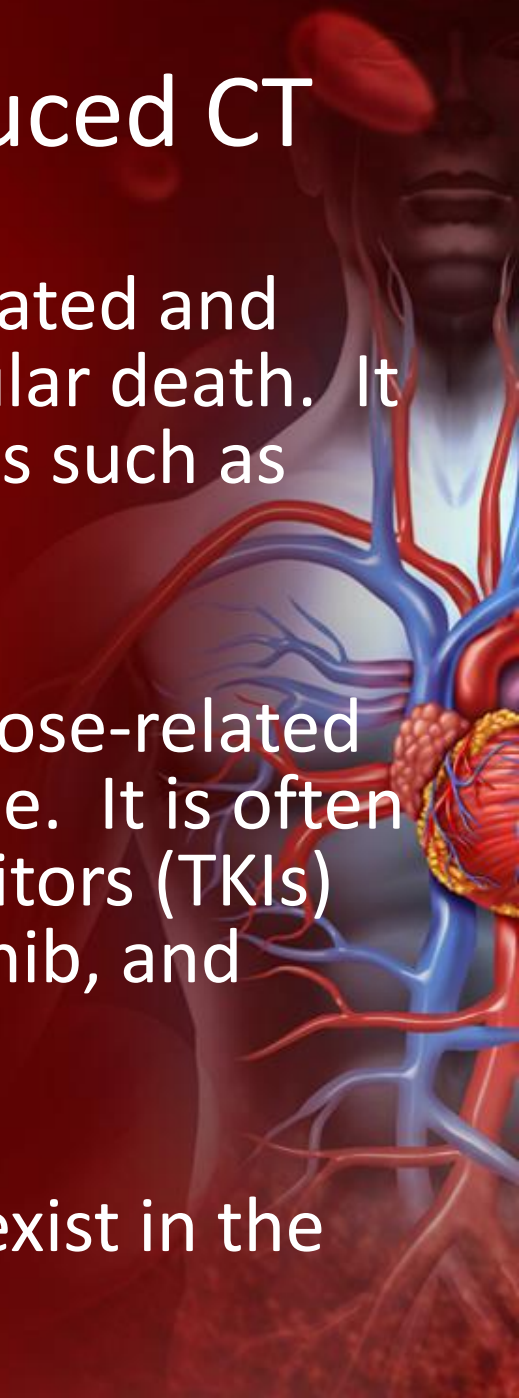
Potential risk factors for the development of trastuzumab-associated cardiac dysfunction |

| Cardiovascular factors | Noncardiovascular factors |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Left ventricular dysfunction | Doxorubicin exposure |
| Coronary artery disease | Older age |
| Uncontrolled hypertension | Chest wall irradiation (especially to the left side) |
| Valvular heart disease | Diabetes |
| Cardiac arrhythmia | Obesity |

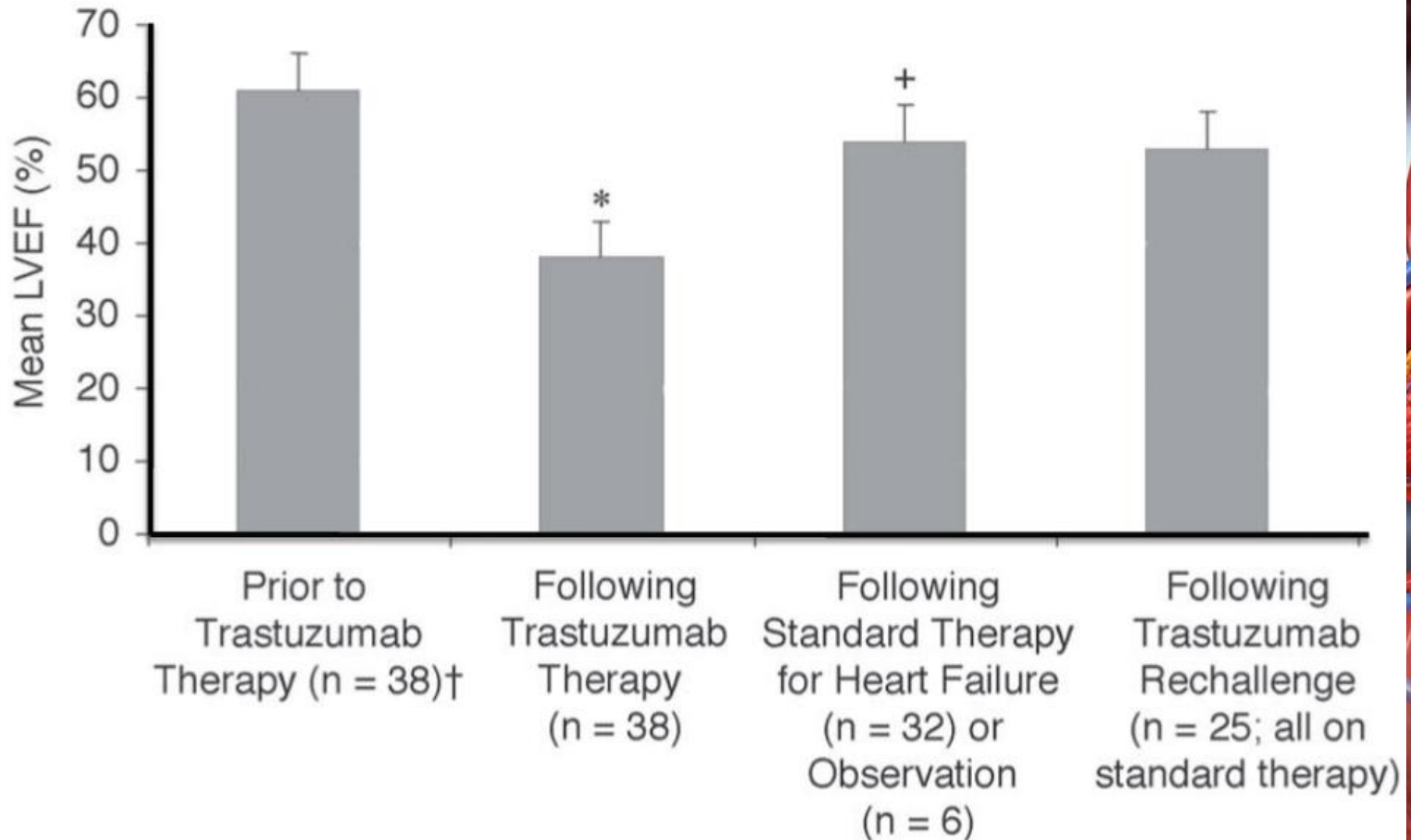


Types of Chemotherapy-Induced CT

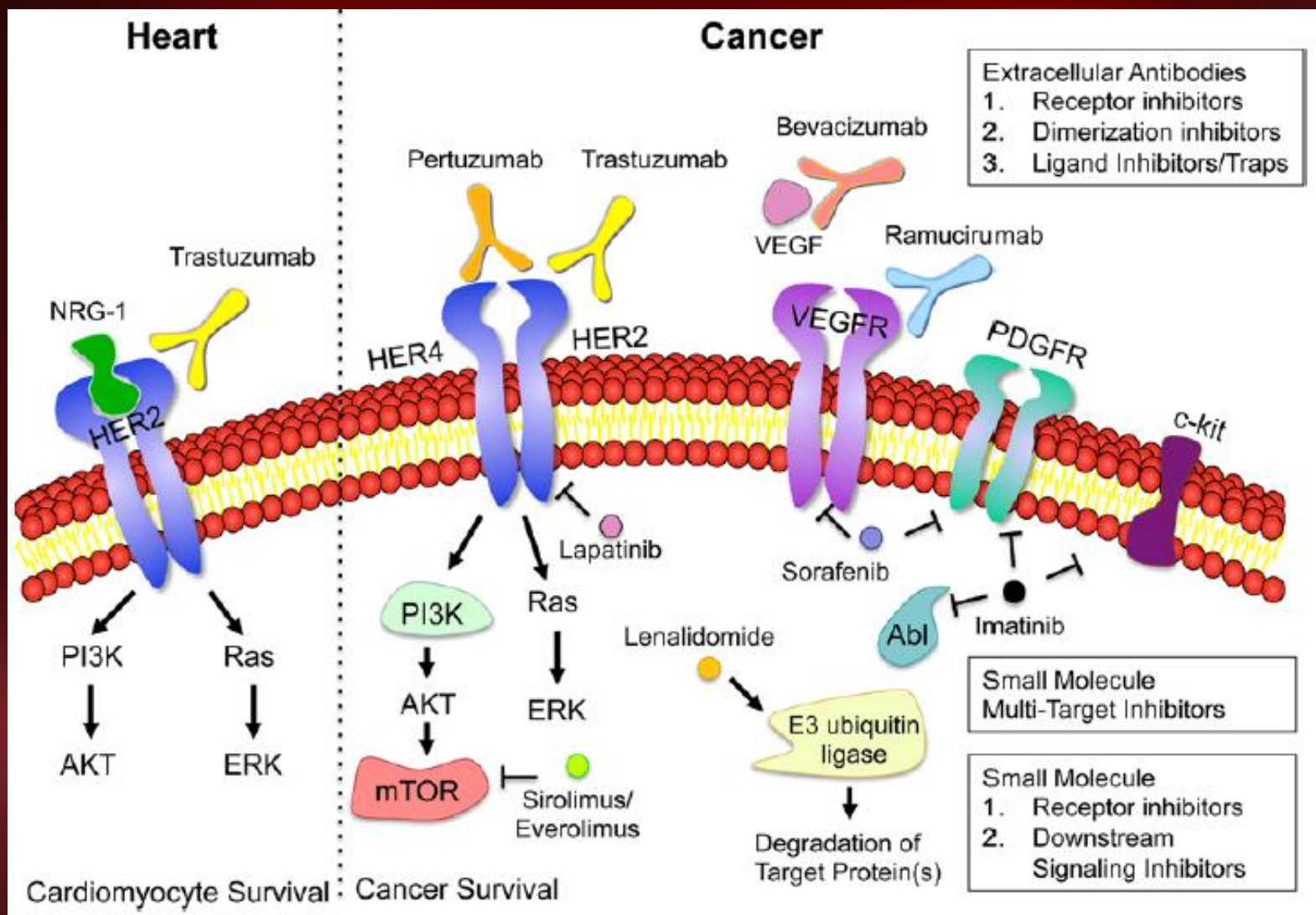
- Type 1 cardiotoxicity is often dose-related and results in irreversible myocardial cellular death. It is often associated with anthracyclines such as **doxorubicin**, epirubicin, idarubicin
- Type 2 cardiotoxicity is typically not dose-related and can be (mostly partially) reversible. It is often associated with Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitors (TKIs) such as **trastuzumab**, sunitinib, imatinib, and bevacizumab
- Type 1 and Type 2 cardiotoxicity can exist in the same patient



Trastuzumab Cardiotoxicity: Reversibility



Targeted Therapies and the Heart



TYROSINE KINASE INHIBITORS (TKIS)



TKIs → VEGF Signaling Pathway (VSP) Inhibitors

| <i>Drug Name</i> | <i>Drug Type</i> | <i>Year approved</i> | <i>Current Indications</i> |
|------------------|------------------|----------------------|--|
| Bevacizumab | mAb | 2004 | Metastatic colorectal cancer, advanced NSCLC (in combination with cytotoxic chemotherapy), and renal cell carcinoma (in combination with interferon-alpha immunotherapy); Monotherapy in progressive glioblastoma following previous therapy |
| Sorafenib | TKI | 2005 | Hepatocellular carcinoma, renal cell carcinoma |
| Sunitinib | TKI | 2006 | Gastrointestinal stromal tumor following progression or resistance to imatinib, advanced renal cell carcinoma, progressive pancreatic neuroendocrine tumors |
| Pazopanib | TKI | 2009 | Advanced renal cell carcinoma, advanced soft tissue sarcoma |
| Vandetanib | TKI | 2011 | Advanced and metastatic medullary thyroid cancer |
| Axitinib | TKI | 2012 | Advanced renal cell carcinoma (second line) |

Other VSP Inhibitors in Clinical Development

Ramucirumab – VEGFR2 mAb

Aflibercept – VEGF Trap

Cediranib – TKI

Semaxanib –TKI

Brivanib – TKI

Torceranib – TKI

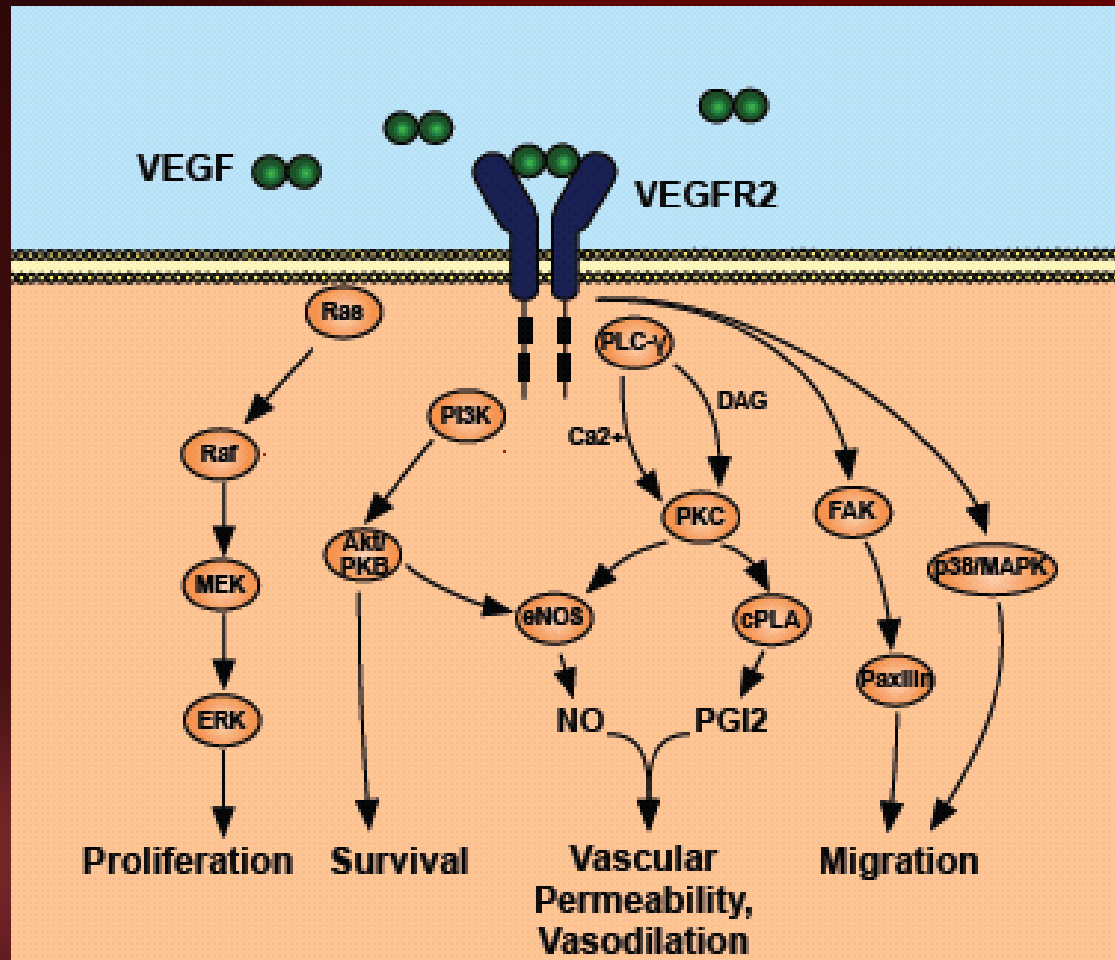
Regorafenib – TKI

Tivozanib-TKI

Cabozantinib-TKI

*mAb, Monoclonal Antibody; TKI, tyrosine kinase inhibitor

VSP Inhibitors: Mechanism of Action and Effects



- Hypertension
- Cardiomyopathy
- Arterial thrombosis
- QT Prolongation
- Edema

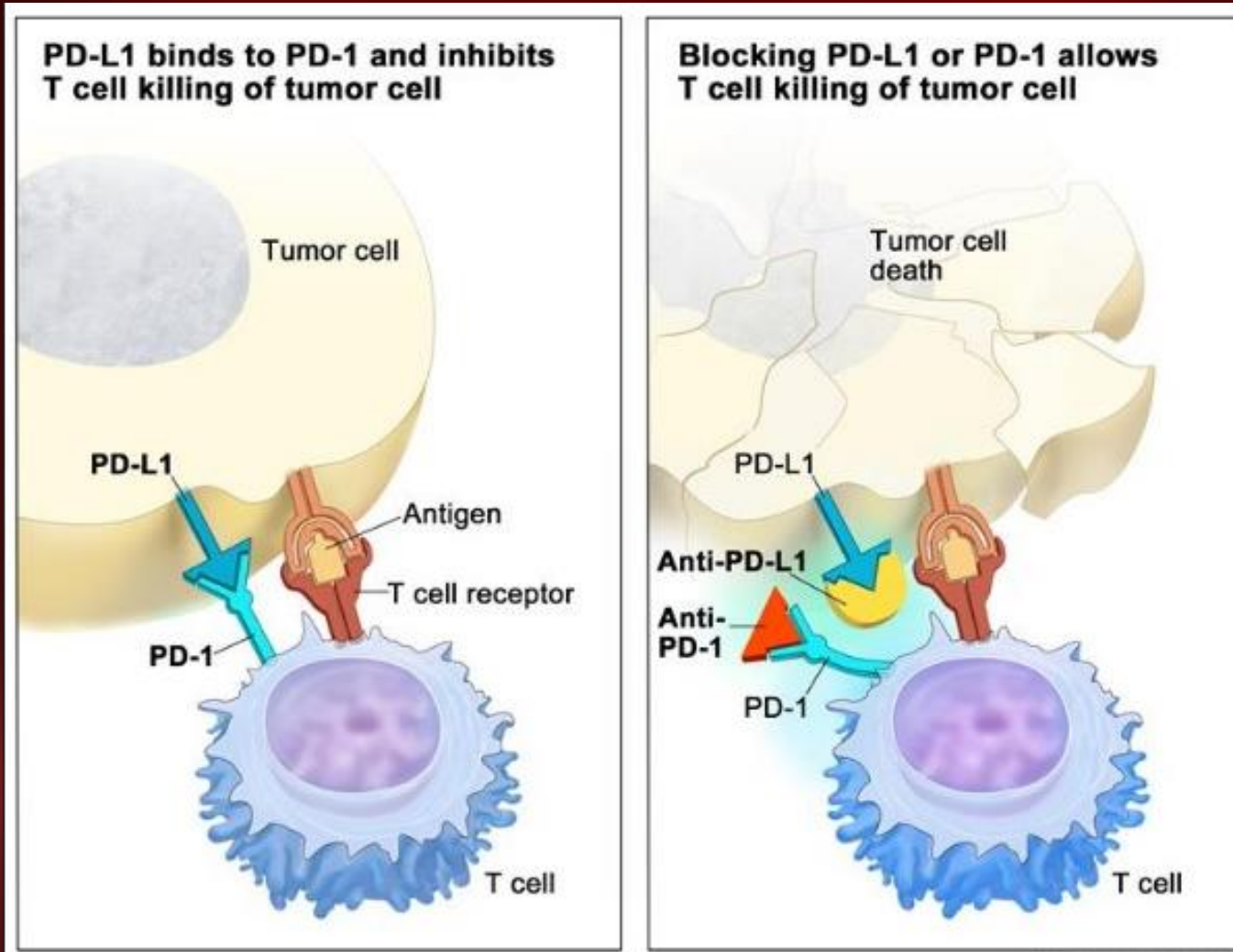
Management of Adverse Effects of VSPs

| Adverse event | Prior to treatment | After initiation of treatment |
|--------------------------------|--|---|
| Hypertension (HTN) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Aggressive management of blood pressure consistent with JNC7 guidelines 2. Urine analysis for proteinuria | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Frequent (weekly) monitoring of blood pressure in the first 6 weeks 2. Use of automated home blood pressure cuff for high-risk patients 3. Urine analysis for proteinuria 4. Aggressive blood pressure management with the use of angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors and dihydropyridine calcium channel blockers (1st and 2nd line therapy) 5. Titration of blood pressure medications during chemotherapy "holiday" (if necessary) |
| Arterial thromboembolism (ATE) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensure no active angina or symptomatic CAD 2. Initiation of anti-platelet therapy in high-risk individuals (patients with previous coronary artery disease or peripheral arterial disease) | |
| Cardiomyopathy | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Baseline echocardiogram to assess for structural heart disease in all patients 2. Aggressive management of cardiac risk factors (especially hypertension) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Low threshold for repeat echocardiogram if signs or symptoms consistent with cardiomyopathy 2. If cardiomyopathy detected, then prompt stopping of VSP inhibitor and initiation of cardioprotective medications (ACE inhibitors and beta-blockers) |

Systemic Effects of Various Chemotherapeutic Agents

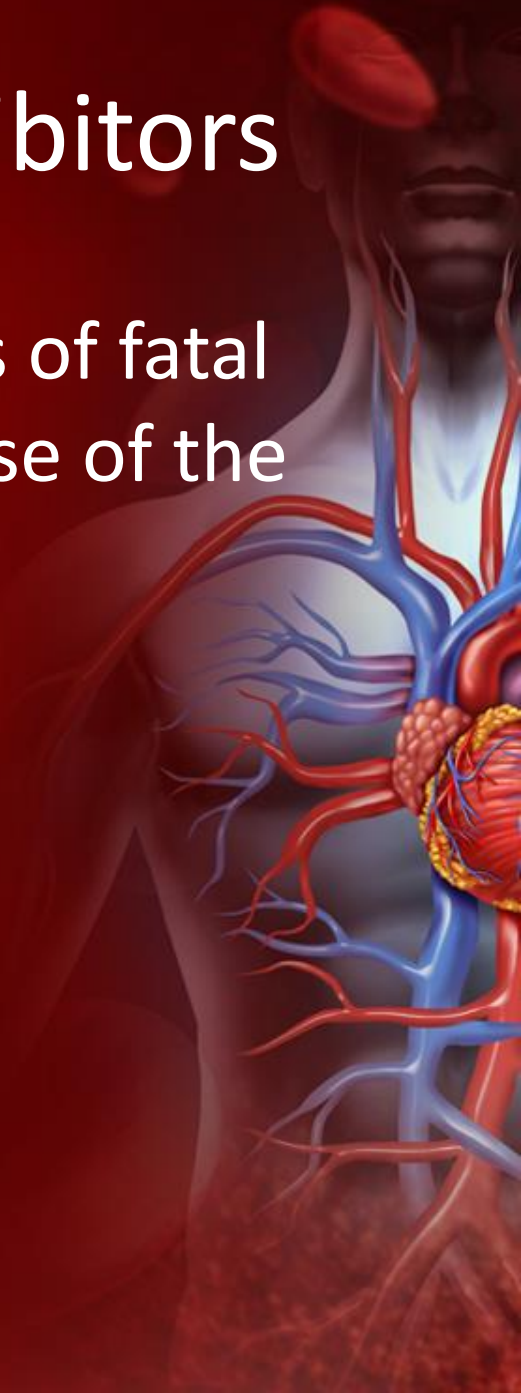
| Chemotherapy Cardiotoxicity | Major Culprit Chemotherapeutic Classes (Incidence) | Diagnostic Methodologies | Management/Prevention | Hypertension | Hypotension | Dysrhythmias | QTc Prolongation | Pericardial Disease |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|------------------|---------------------|
| Cardiomyopathy (with systolic and/or diastolic dysfunction) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anthracyclines* • Monoclonal antibodies* • VSP inhibitors* • Alkylating agents • Antimicrotubule agents • Antimetabolites • Proteasome inhibitors* | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Echocardiography • Myocardial strain imaging by echo • Cardiac MRI • MUGA/RNA • Biomarkers: troponin, BNP, newer biomarkers • Possible role for genetics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACE-I/ARB • Beta blockers • Desferoxamine • Possible role for statins • Possible role for ranolazine • Serial LVEF/biomarker monitoring • Discontinue chemotherapy, then reinstitute with LVEF recovery • Long-term consideration for ICD and possible heart transplantation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VSP inhibitors/targeted therapies* • VEGF trap • Alkylating agents* | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On-site blood pressure checks • Ambulatory blood pressure monitoring | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amlodipine • ACE-I/ARB • Other anti-hypertensive regimens as third-line agents | | |
| Ischemia | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Antimetabolites (vasospasm) • VSP – inhibitor TKIs (Mab and Smol) – arterial thrombosis • Antimicrotubule agents (arterial thrombosis) • Alkylating agents* • Angiogenesis inhibitor – arterial thrombosis | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECG • Troponin • Stress test • Coronary angiography • Cardiac MRI | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nitrates for coronary spasms • Aspirin for thrombosis risk • Limited data for other anti-anginal agents | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interferons • Interleukins • Monoclonal antibodies • All-trans retinoic acid (differentiation syndrome) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On-site blood pressure checks • Ambulatory blood pressure monitoring | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IV fluids • Midodrine (if normal LVEF) • Discontinue chemotherapy if in shock, then reinstitute when stable | | |
| Thrombosis | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alkylating agents – venous • Angiogenesis inhibitor - arterial • VSP inhibitors – venous and arterial • Histone deacetylase inhibitors – venous • Immunomodulators – arterial • Hormonal therapy (tamoxifen) – arterial/venous** | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doppler ultrasound • CT angiography • Other concern as for ischemia above | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unfractionated heparin • Low molecular weight heparin • Fondaparinux | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interleukins • Interferons • Angiogenesis inhibitors (bradycardia) • Antimicrotubule agents | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECG • Telemetry | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beta blockers • Propafenone • Anticoagulation with low molecular weight heparin | | |
| | | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (bradycardia) • Histone deacetylase inhibitors • Non-VSP inhibitor small molecule TKIs • Arsenic trioxide | | | | |
| | | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arsenic trioxide • Histone deacetylase inhibitors • Small molecule TKIs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECG | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replete electrolytes (K/Mg) • Serial ECG monitoring • Discontinue other QTc prolonging drugs, where possible • Discontinue chemotherapy agent, if significant risk of torsades | | |
| | | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Busulfan* • Non-VSP inhibitor small molecule TKIs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Echocardiography • Cardiac MRI • Cardiac CT | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pericardiocentesis • Pericardial window • Pericardial stripping (with constriction) • Colchicine (if no interaction with chemotherapy) • NSAIDs (if normal blood pressure and LVEF) | | |

Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors

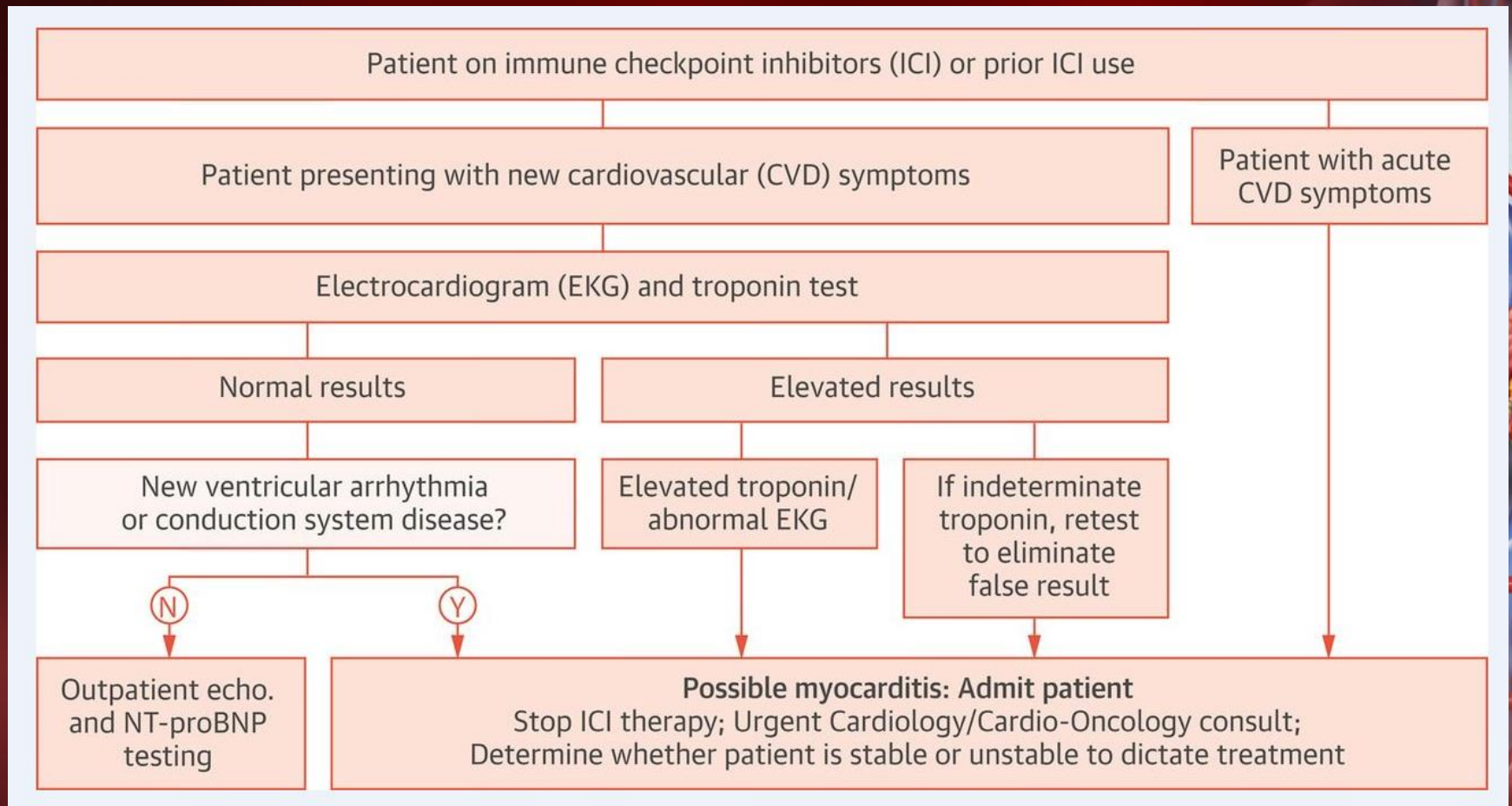


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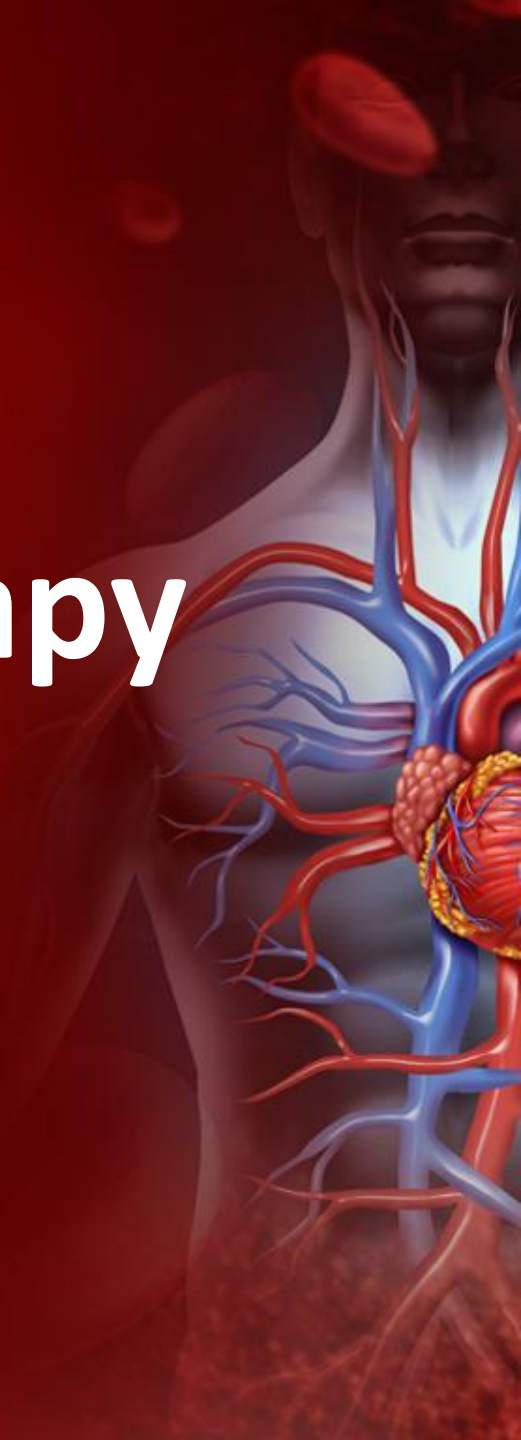
- There have been increasing reports of fatal myocarditis in the literature with use of the PD-1, PD-L1 and CTLA-4 inhibitors:
 - Pembrolizumab (Keytruda)
 - Nivolumab (Opdivo)
 - Atezolizumab (Tecentriq)
 - Avelumab (Bavencio)
 - Durvalumab (Imfinzi)
 - Ipilimumab (Yervoy)



Triage for Myocarditis Related to Checkpoint Inhibitors



Radiation Therapy



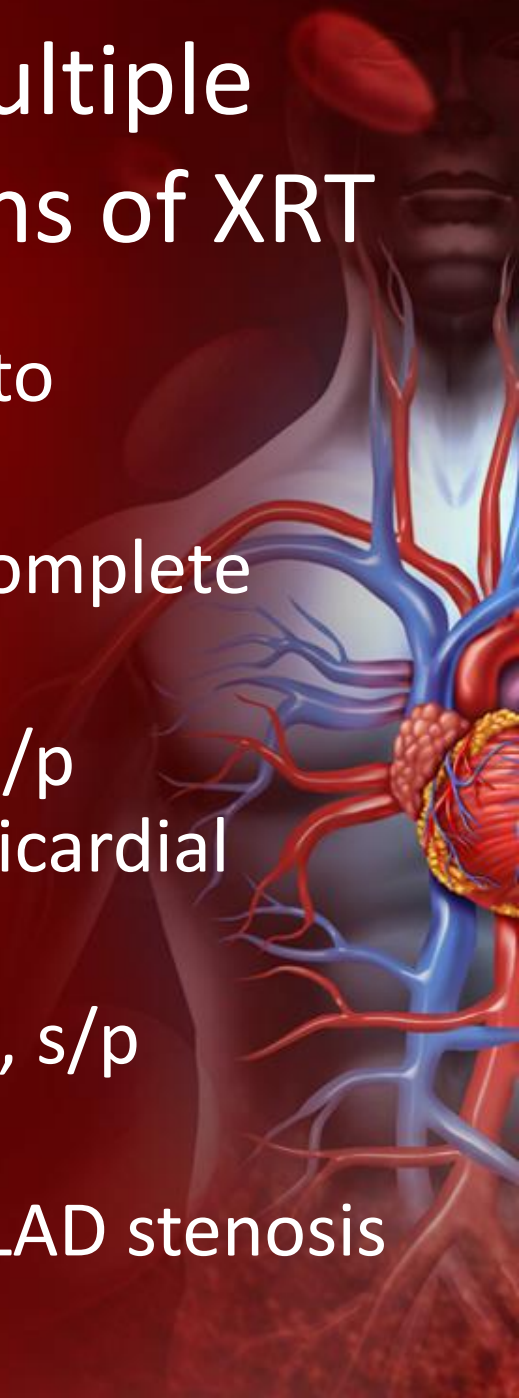
Radiation-Induced Heart Disease

- (1) Radiation-induced atherosclerosis
 - (a) *Symptomatic*
 - (b) *Asymptomatic*
- (2) Pericardial disease
 - (a) *Acute pericarditis*
 - (b) *Delayed pericarditis*
 - (c) *Pericardial effusion*
 - (d) *Constrictive pericarditis*
- (3) Myocardial and Endocardial disease
 - (a) *Pancarditis*
 - (b) *Cardiomyopathy*
- (4) Valvular disease
- (5) Conduction disturbances
 - (a) *RBBB*
 - (b) *Atrioventricular nodal block*

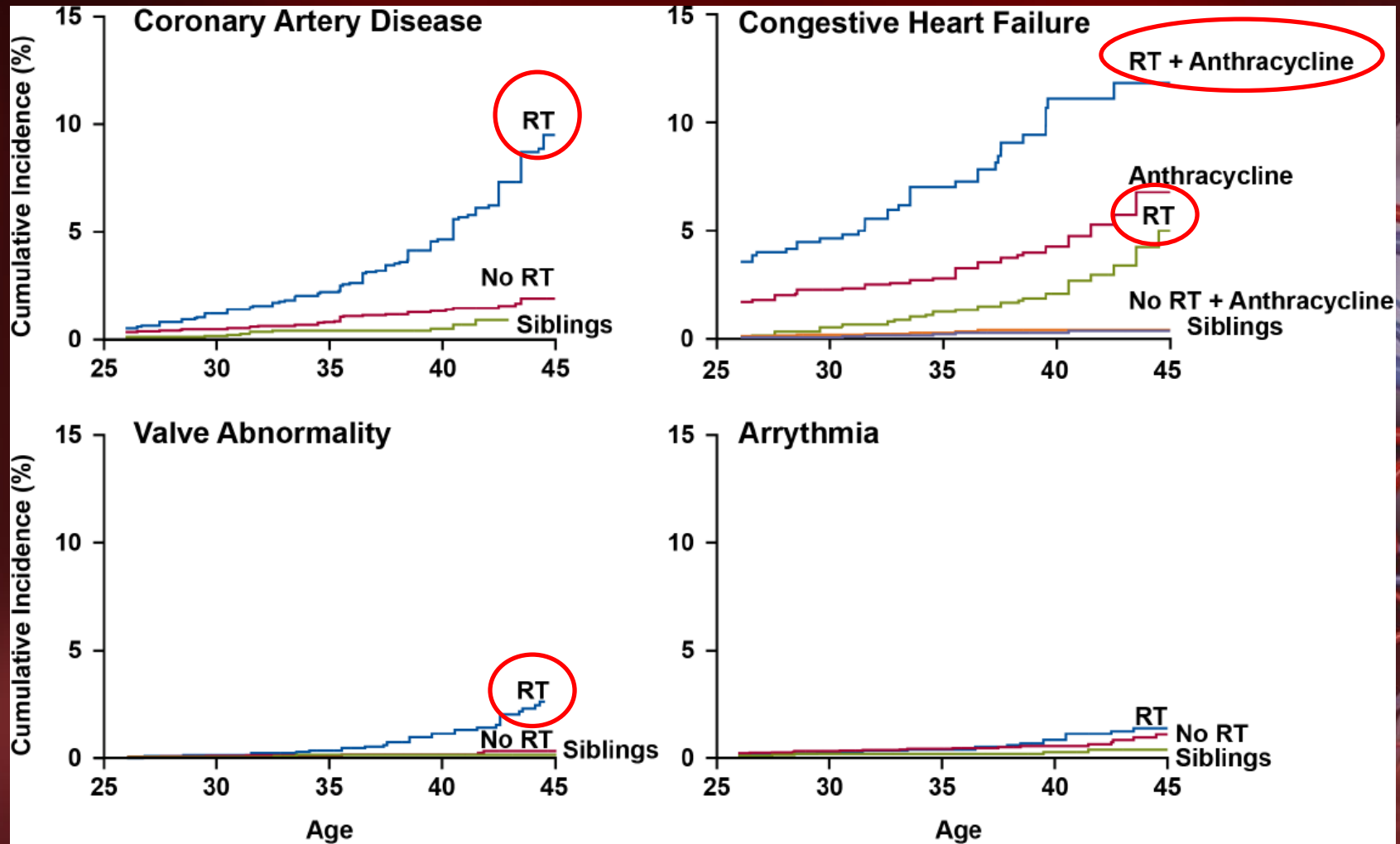


Case of a Patient with Multiple Cardiovascular Complications of XRT

- 1984: Hodgkin's Disease with XRT to mediastinum and neck
- 2005: Permanent pacemaker for complete heart block
- March 2007: Pericardial effusion, s/p pericardiocentesis followed by pericardial window
- April 2007: Pericardial constriction, s/p pericardial stripping
- Later: Diagnosed with CAD – 50% LAD stenosis

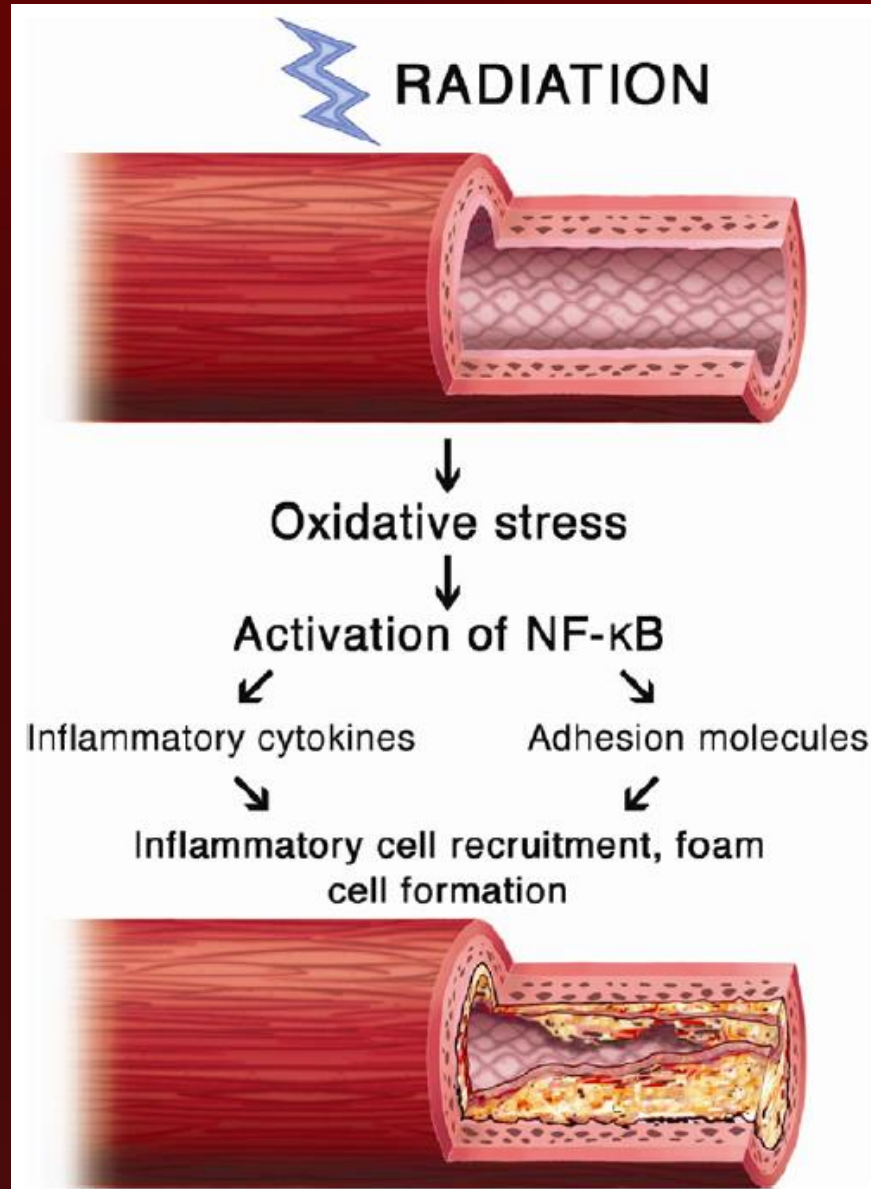


Survivors of Childhood Cancer: Cumulative Incidence of CV Events at Age 45 Years



N = 10,724; 5101 Female, 5623 Male

Radiation-Induced Vascular Disease: Activation of NF- κ B and Proinflammatory Cytokines



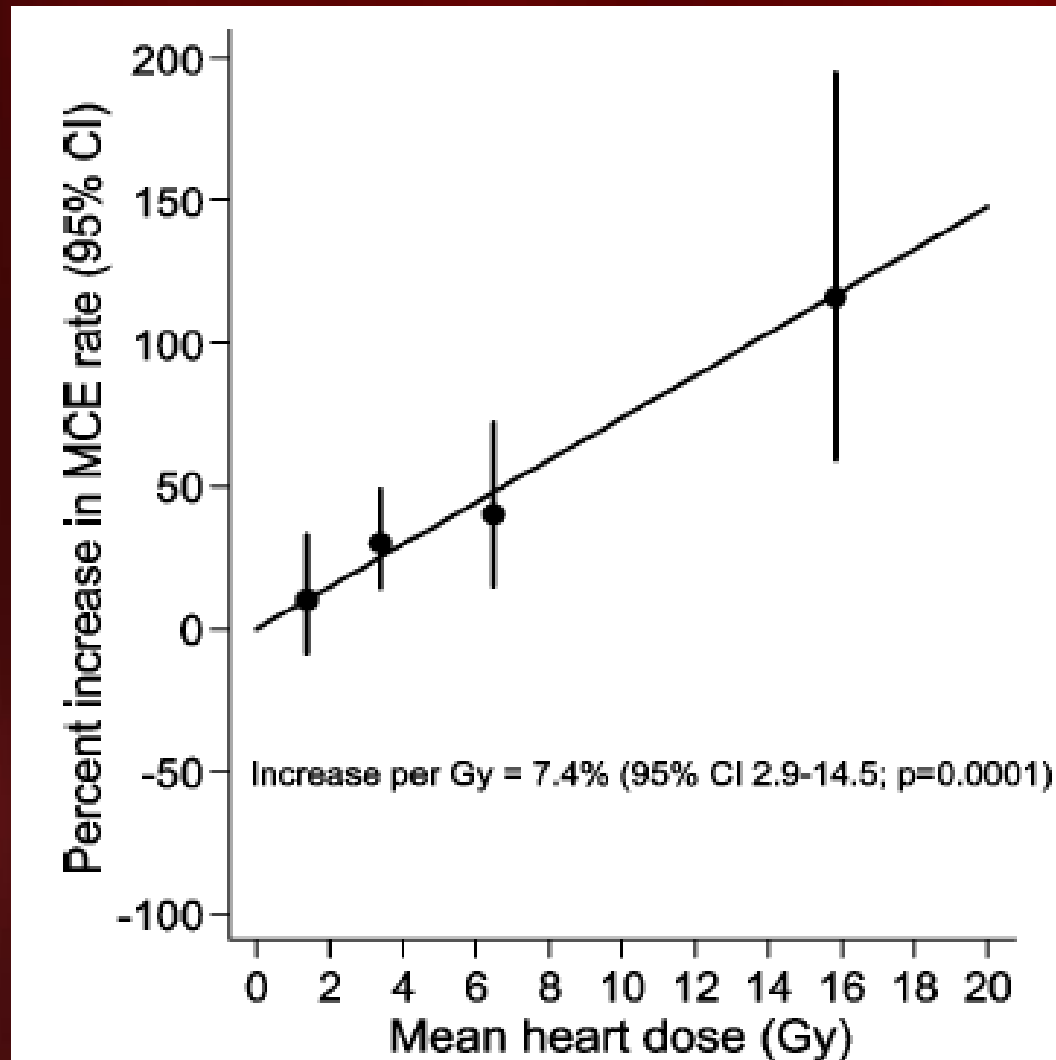
Rate of Major Coronary Events According to Time Since Radiation Therapy

MACE: myocardial infarction, coronary revascularization, or death from ischemic heart

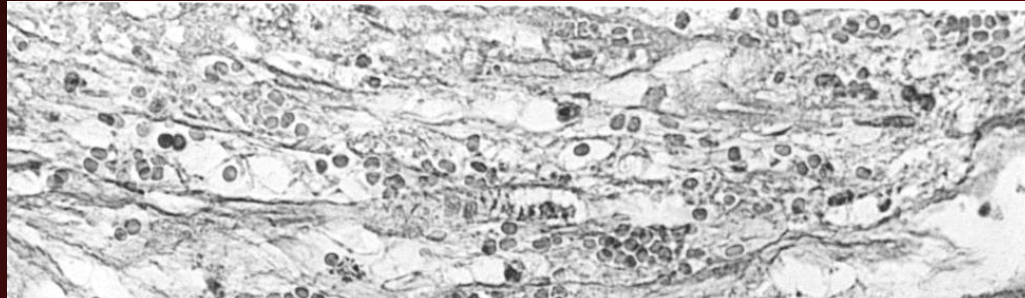
| Time since Radiotherapy* | No. of Case Patients | No. of Controls | Increase in Rate of Major Coronary Events (95% CI)† % increase/Gy |
|--------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|--|
| 0 to 4 yr | 206 | 328 | 16.3 (3.0 to 64.3) |
| 5 to 9 yr | 216 | 296 | 15.5 (2.5 to 63.3) |
| 10 to 19 yr | 323 | 388 | 1.2 (-2.2 to 8.5) |
| ≥20 yr | 218 | 193 | 8.2 (0.4 to 26.6) |
| 0 to ≥20 yr | 963 | 1205 | 7.4 (2.9 to 14.5) |

...Study was conducted prior to the much more selective 3-D radiotherapy with far fewer complications expected...

Dose-Dependent Effect of XRT on Major Coronary Event



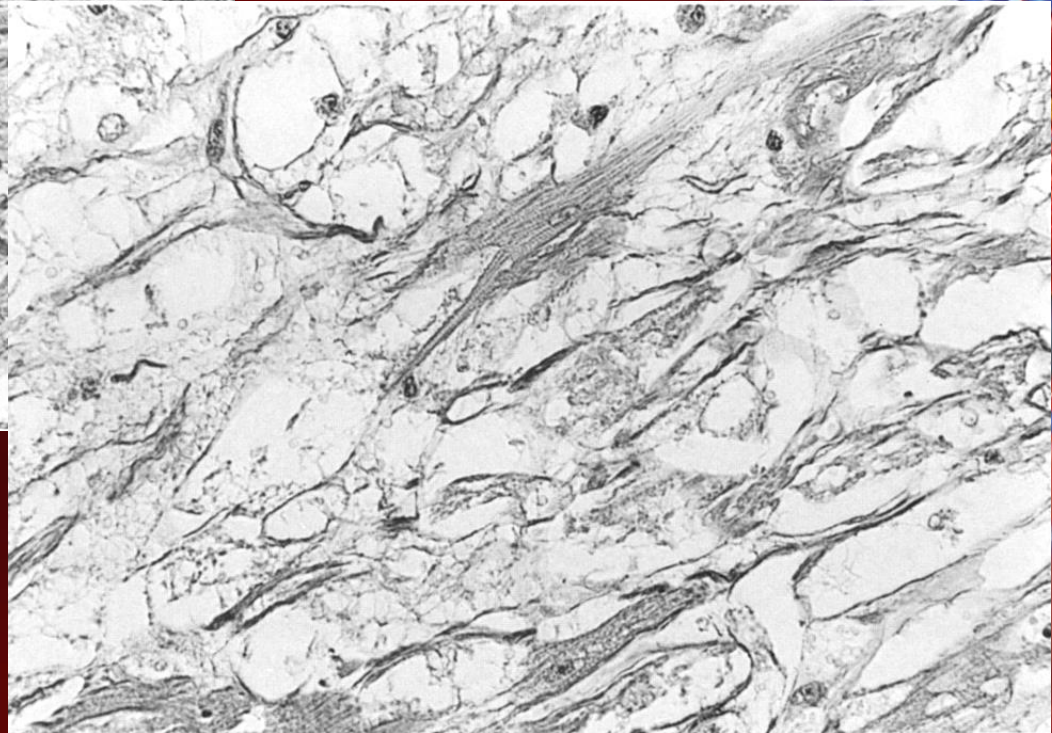
Dose-Dependent Radiation-Induced Damage to Myocardium



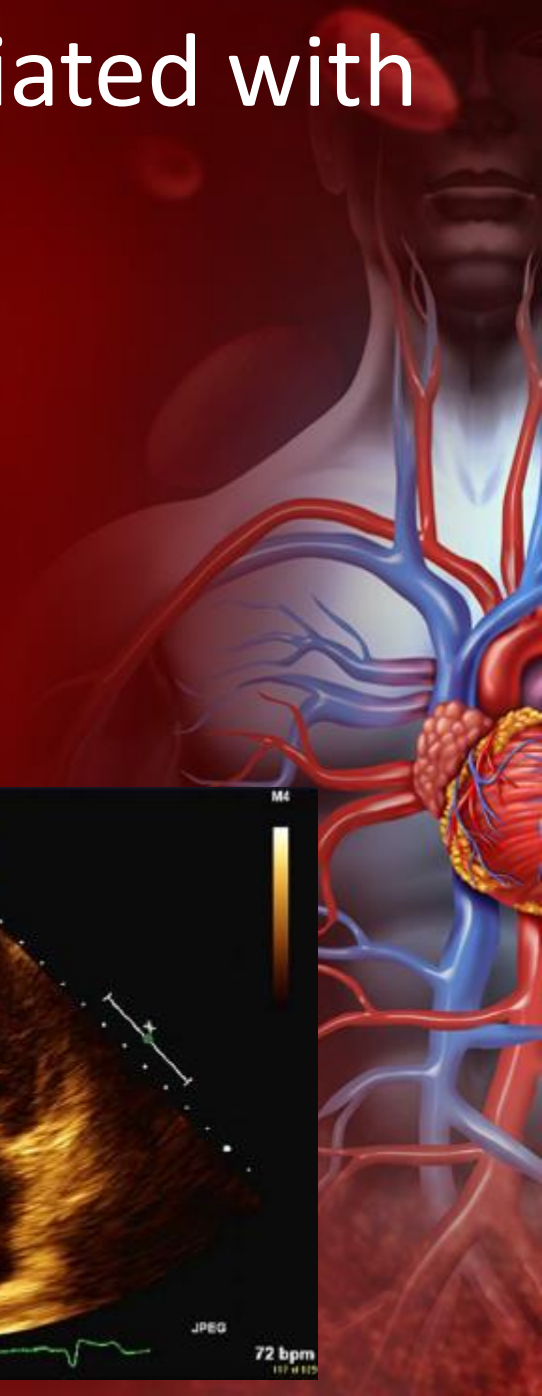
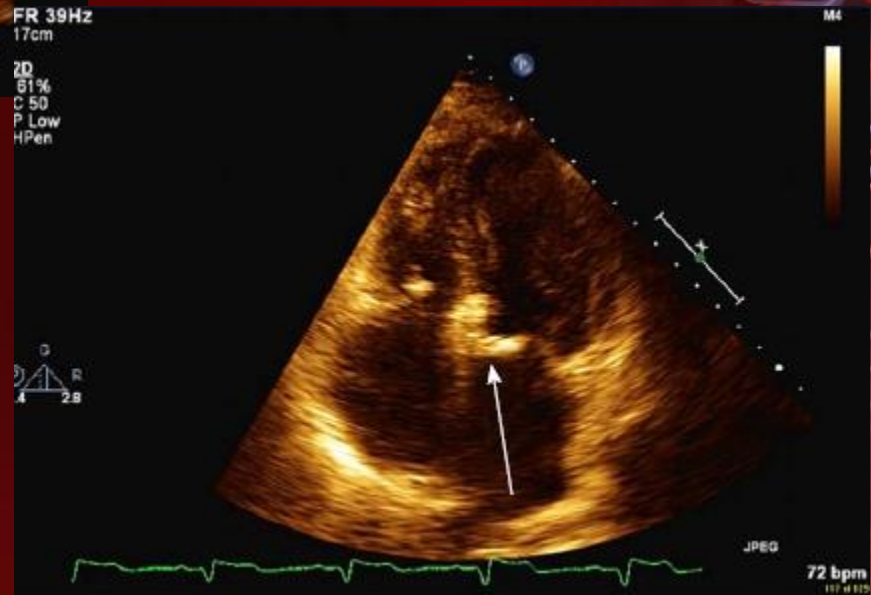
20 cGy



15 cGy

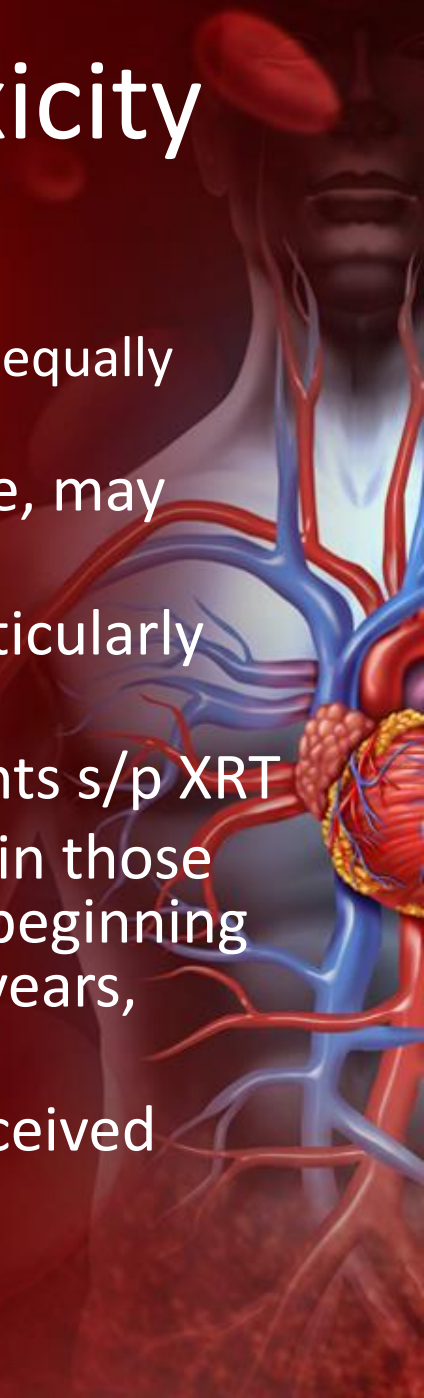


Valvular Heart Disease Associated with Radiation Therapy



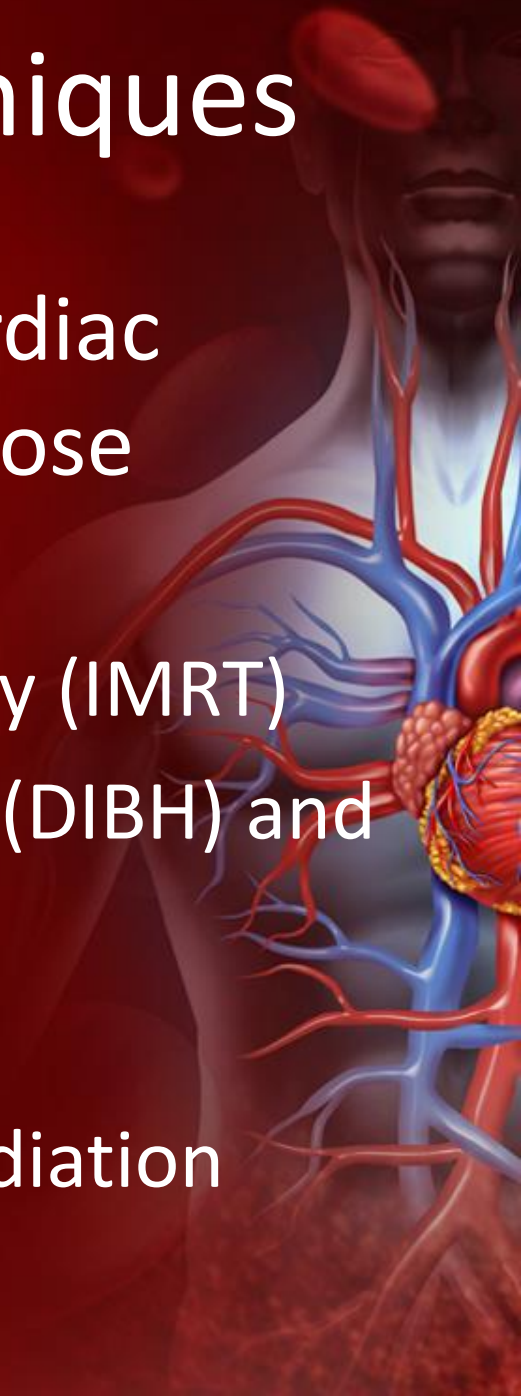
Minimizing XRT Cardiotoxicity

- Reduce volume and dose of XRT
 - Standard fractionation (1.8 to 2 Gy per day) and equally weighted A/P techniques should be used
- For patients with favorable early stage disease, may omit XRT altogether
- Minimal XRT, if used with chemotherapy (particularly higher dose chemo, esp. anthracyclines)
- Screen for, and treat CAD risk factors in patients s/p XRT
- Myocardial perfusion imaging or CAC scoring in those who received >35 Gy of irradiation exposure beginning five years after therapy or after age 30 to 35 years, whichever is last.
- Echo and/or nuclear imaging in those who received >300 mg/m² anthracyclines

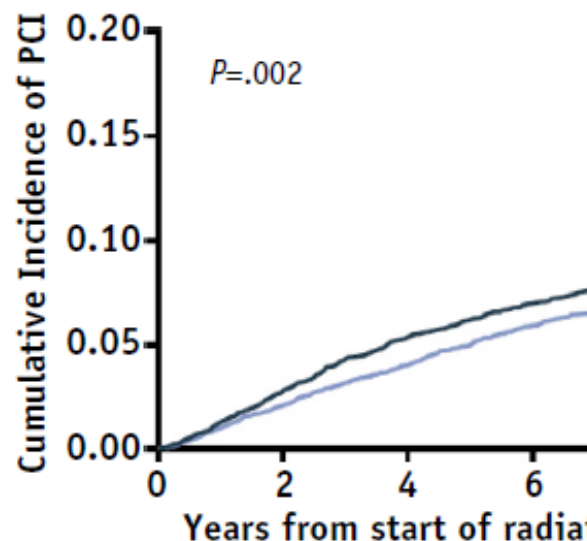


Newer Radiation Techniques

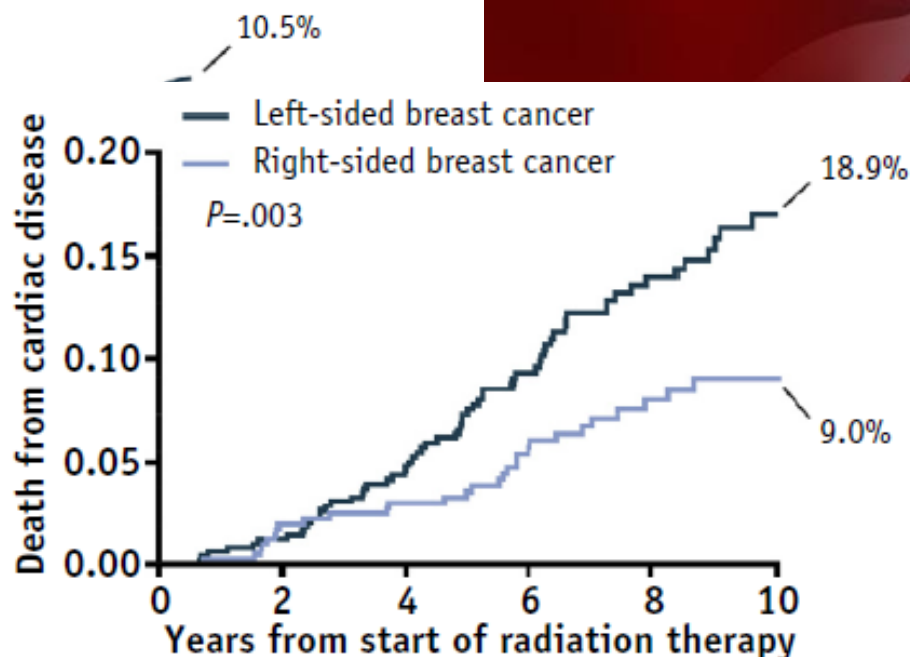
- Focused on reducing excess cardiac irradiation by modulating the dose around organs
 - Intensity modulated radiotherapy (IMRT)
 - Deep inspiratory breath-holding (DIBH) and gated techniques
 - Prone positioning
 - Three-dimensional conformal radiation therapy (3D-CRT)



Incidence of PCI and Cardiac Disease with Modern Radiotherapy Techniques



| Group | 0 | 2 | Number |
|-------------|-------|-------|--------|
| Left-sided | 7,216 | 5,921 | 4,416 |
| Right-sided | 7,115 | 5,937 | 4,416 |



| Group | 0 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 10 |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| Left-sided | 504 | 482 | 400 | 281 | 165 | 54 |
| Right-sided | 416 | 398 | 339 | 253 | 142 | 47 |

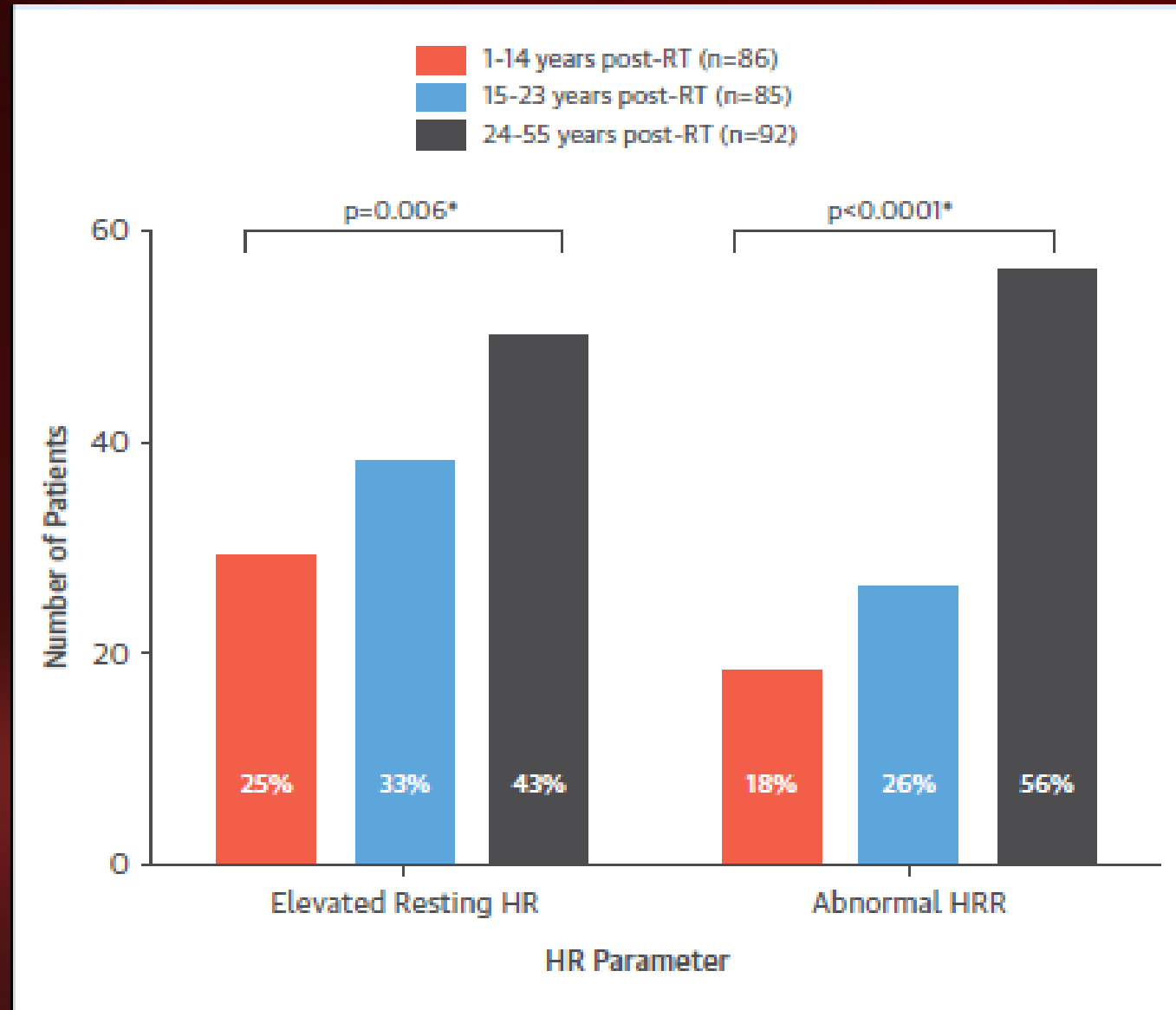
Associations of Heart Rate Parameters with Radiation Therapy

| | Unadjusted | | Adjusted | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|
| | OR (95% CI) | p Value | OR (95% CI) | p Value |
| Primary endpoints | | | | |
| Elevated resting heart rate | 3.68 (2.65–5.12) | <0.0001 | 3.96 (2.52–6.22)* | <0.0001 |
| Abnormal heart rate recovery at 1 min | 4.57 (3.09–6.76) | <0.0001 | 5.32 (2.94–9.66)† | <0.0001 |
| Secondary endpoints | | | | |
| Heart rate reserve (lowest tertile) | 2.15 (1.57–2.93) | <0.0001 | 3.20 (1.64–6.27)‡ | 0.0007 |
| Chronotropic incompetence | 0.95 (0.65–1.39) | 0.85 | 1.57 (0.87–2.84)‡ | 0.14 |
| Abnormal systolic BP response | 1.88 (1.25–2.81) | 0.003 | 1.44 (0.76–2.71)‡ | 0.26 |
| Abnormal reserve pulse pressure | 1.45 (1.08–1.96) | 0.02 | 1.41 (0.90–2.23)‡ | 0.14 |

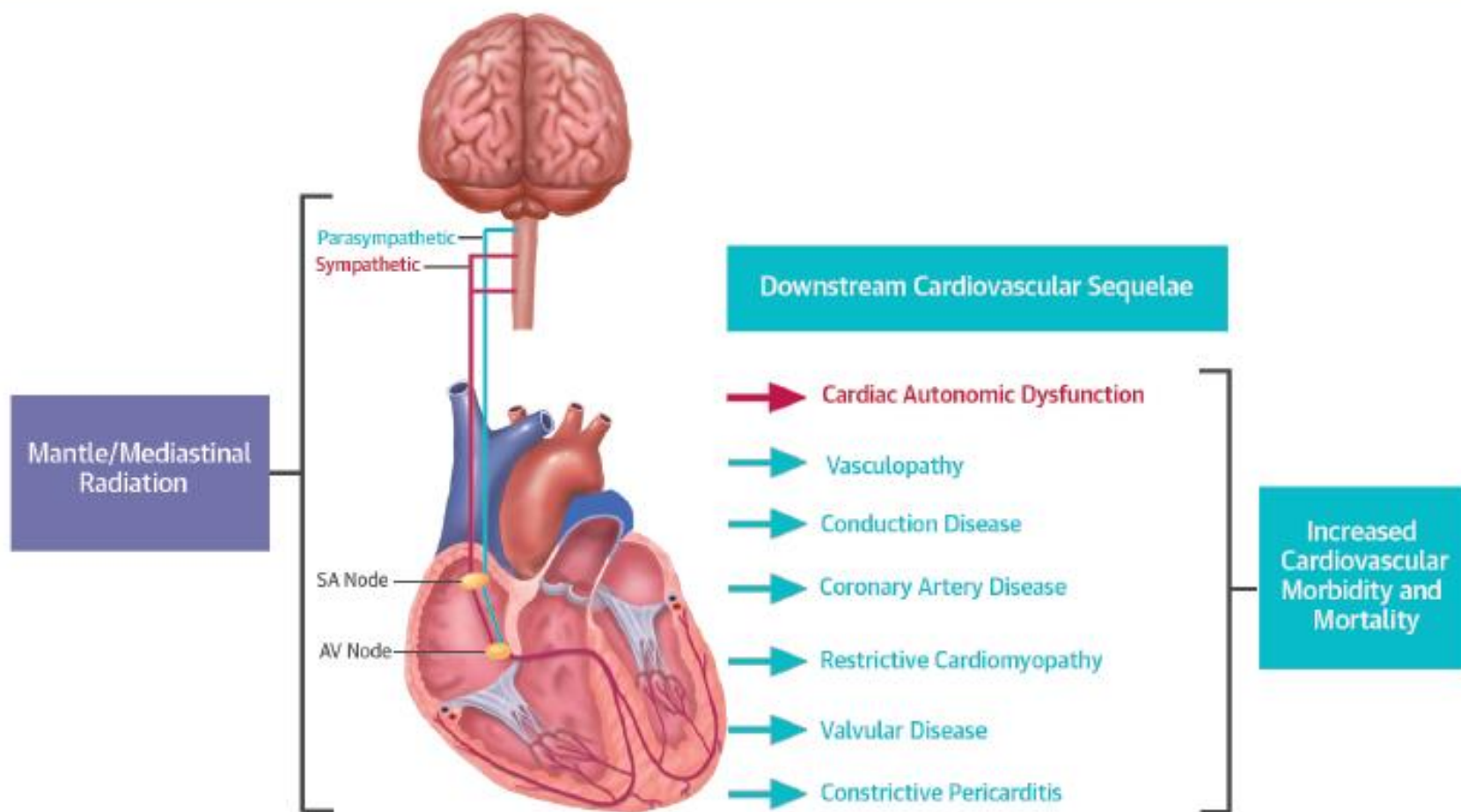
*Adjusted for age, sex, Morise risk score, diabetes, indication for ETT, AVN-blocking medications, congestive heart failure/IHD, and anthracycline exposure. †Adjusted for age, sex, Morise risk score, diabetes, indication for ETT, AVN-blocking medications, congestive heart failure/IHD, resting HR, exercise time, result of ETT, and anthracycline exposure. ‡Adjusted for age, sex, Morise risk score, diabetes, indication for ETT, antihypertensive medications, congestive heart failure/IHD, resting HR, exercise time, result of ETT, and anthracycline exposure.

AVN = atrioventricular nodal; BP = blood pressure; ETT = exercise treadmill test; IHD = ischemic heart disease.

Heart Rate Abnormalities Worsen with Time from Radiation Therapy

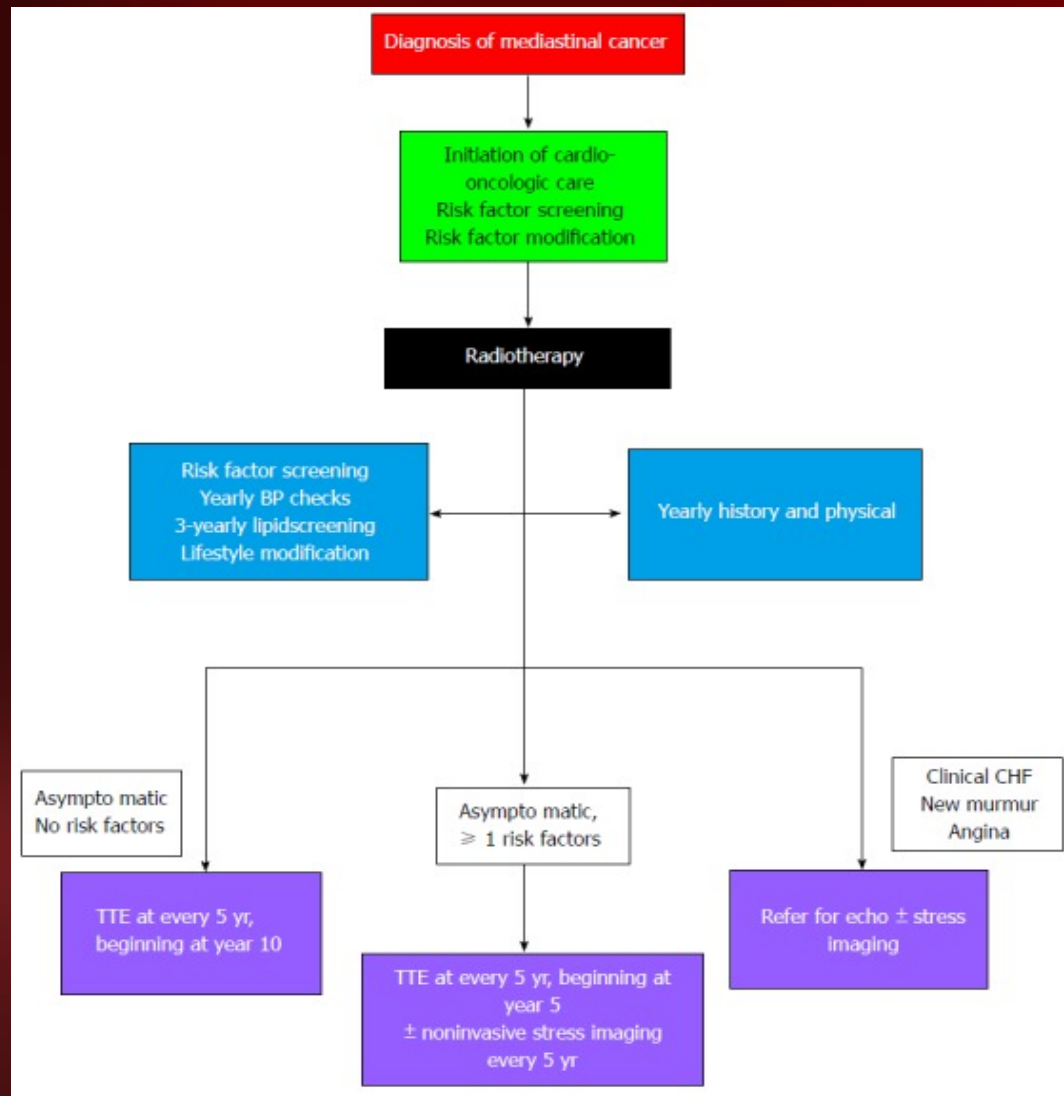


CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION Autonomic Dysfunction in Radiation Survivors



| OUTCOME | ELEVATED RESTING HEART RATE* | ABNORMAL HEART RATE RECOVERY† |
|--|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Exercise Duration | - 1.1 ± 0.3, p = 0.001 | - 1.0 ± 0.4, p = 0.006 |
| Mortality, HR (95% CI) | 0.99 (0.40-2.45) | 5.50 (1.97-15.36) |
| Relative to radiation patients without elevated resting heart rate*/with normal heart rate recovery† | | |

Proposed Algorithm for Screening for Radiation-Induced Cardiotoxicity



Endocrine/Hormonal Therapy



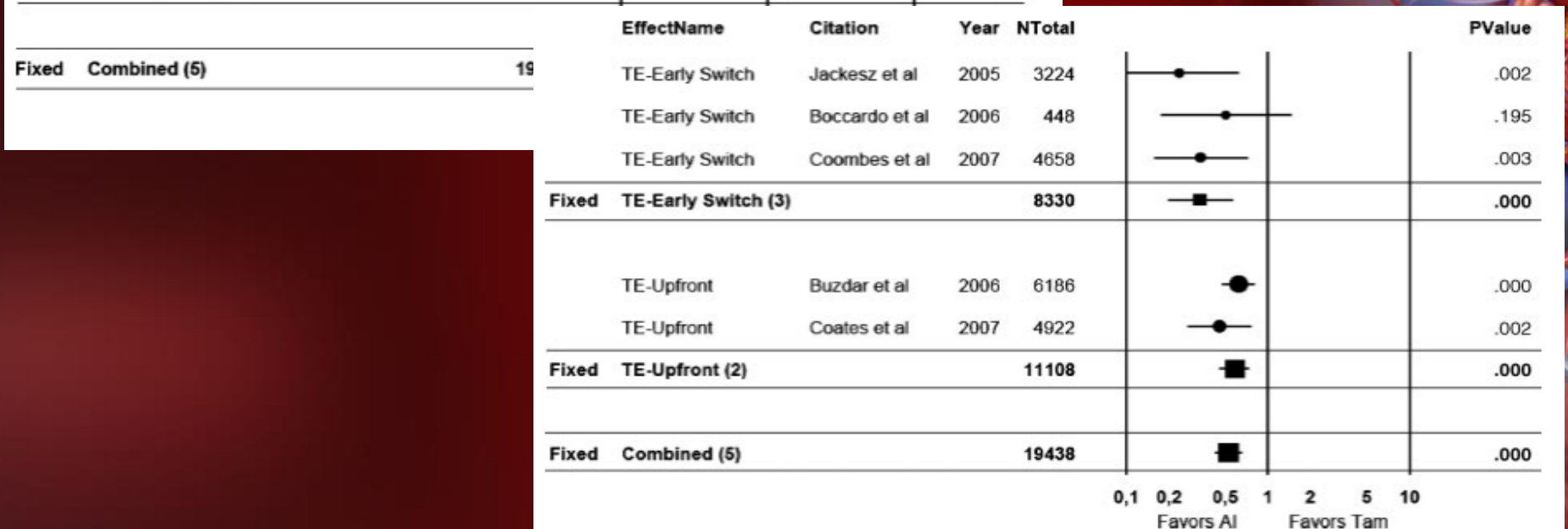
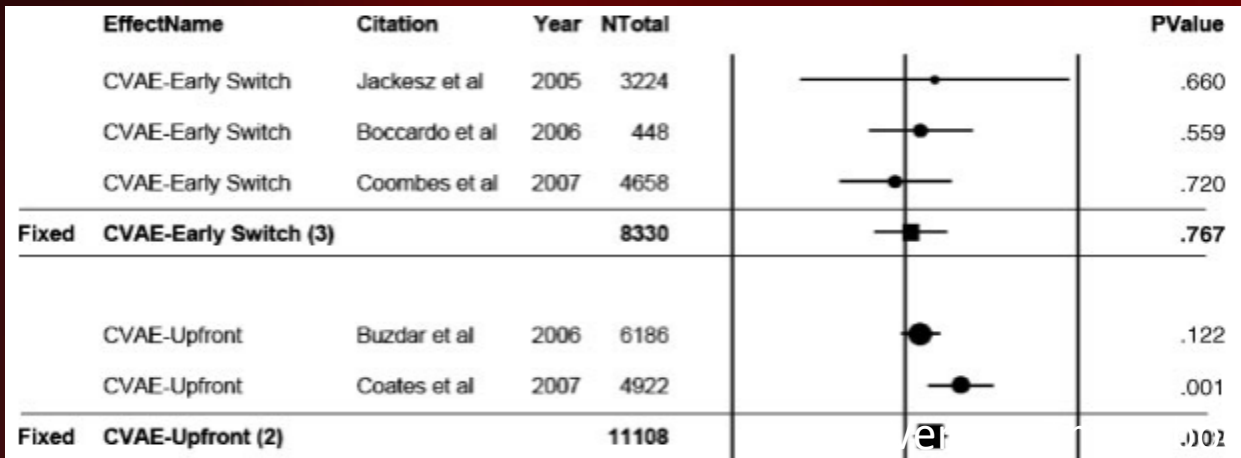
Endocrine Therapy for Breast Cancer

- Selective Estrogen Receptor Modulators (SERMs)
 - Tamoxifen
 - Raloxifene
 - Newer generation SERMs
 - Lasofoxifene
 - Bazedoxifene
- Aromatase Inhibitors (AIs)
 - Letrozole
 - Anastrozole
 - Exemestane

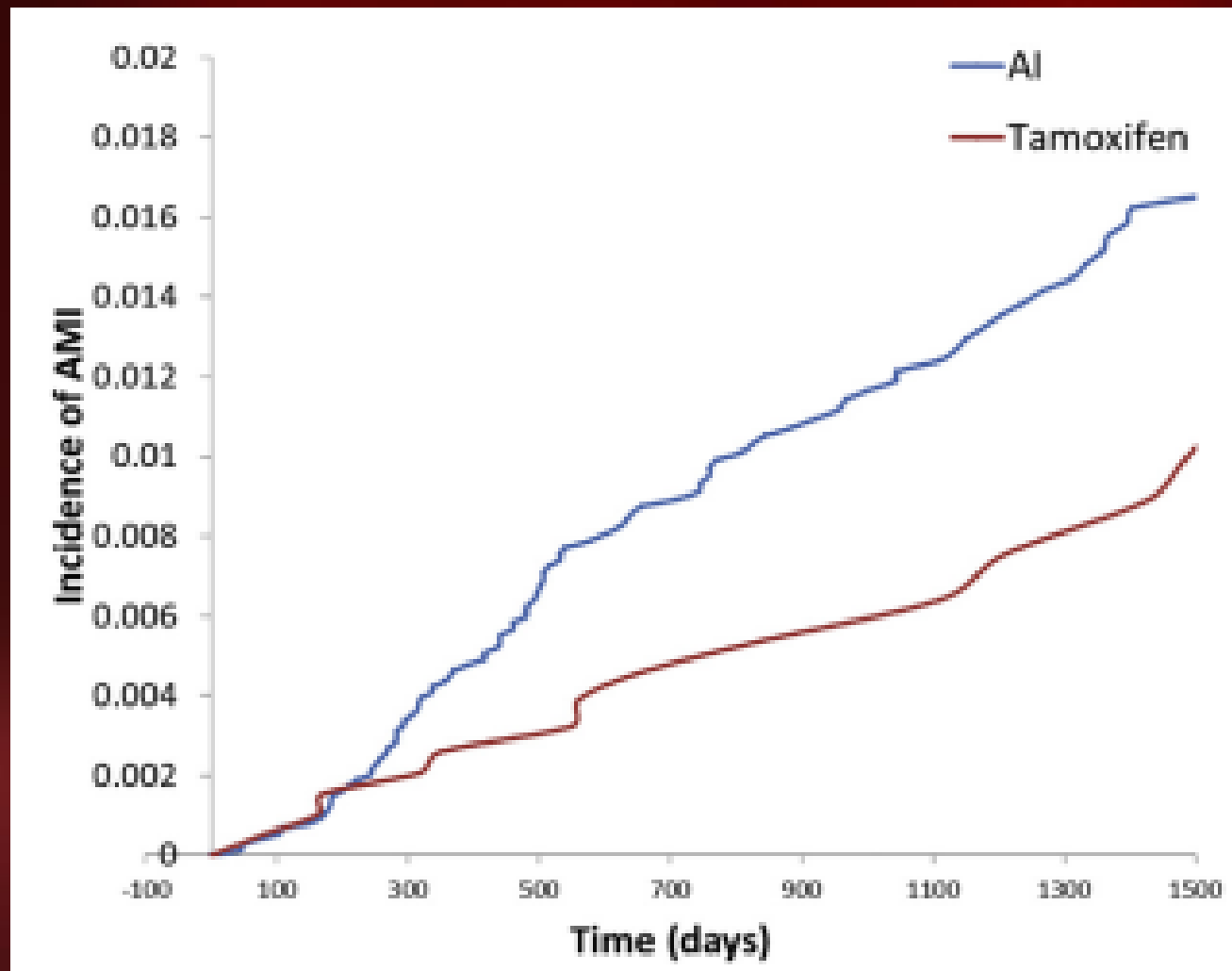


Als vs. Tamoxifen: Events

Cardiovascular Adverse Events

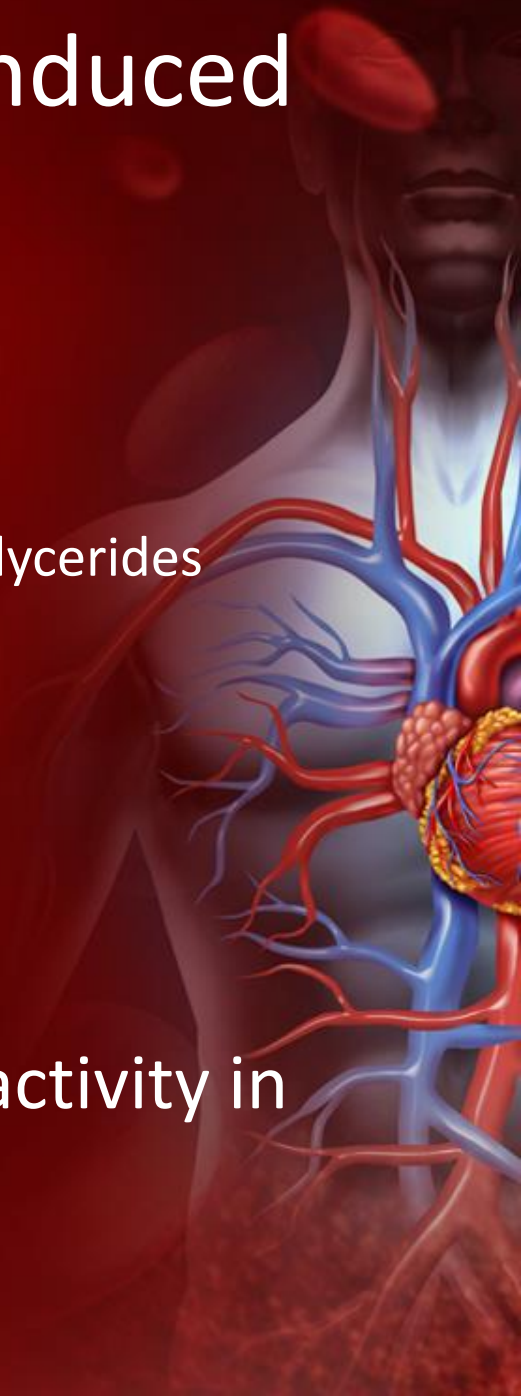


Cumulative Incidence of Myocardial Infarction: Aromatase Inh vs. Tamoxifen

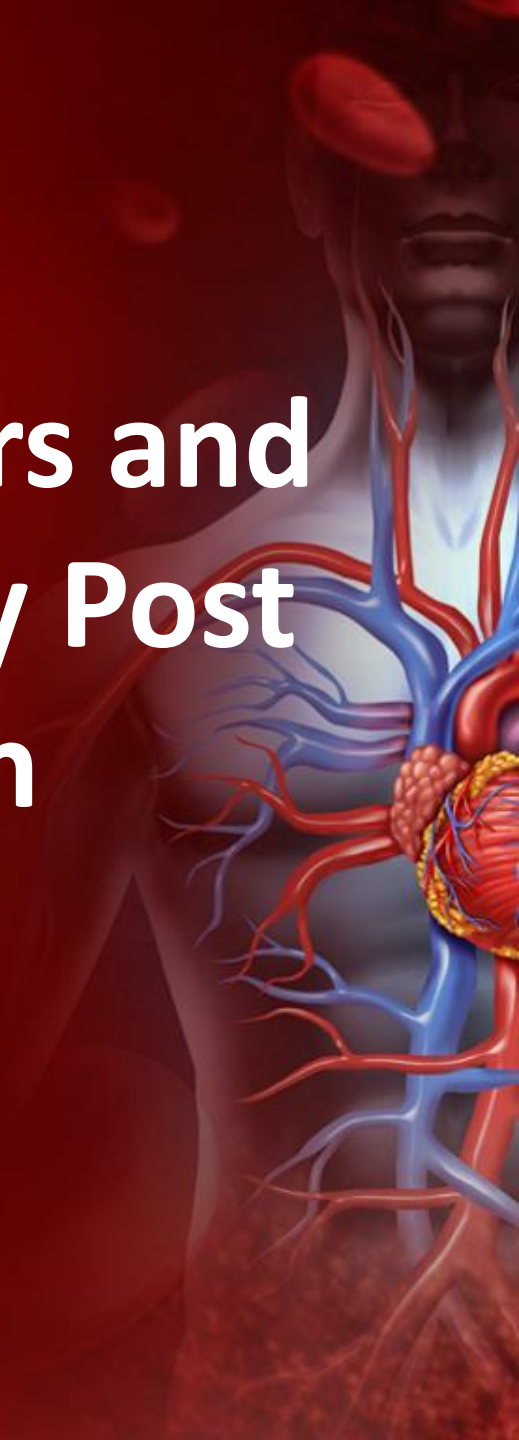


Mechanism of Tamoxifen-Induced Cardioprotection

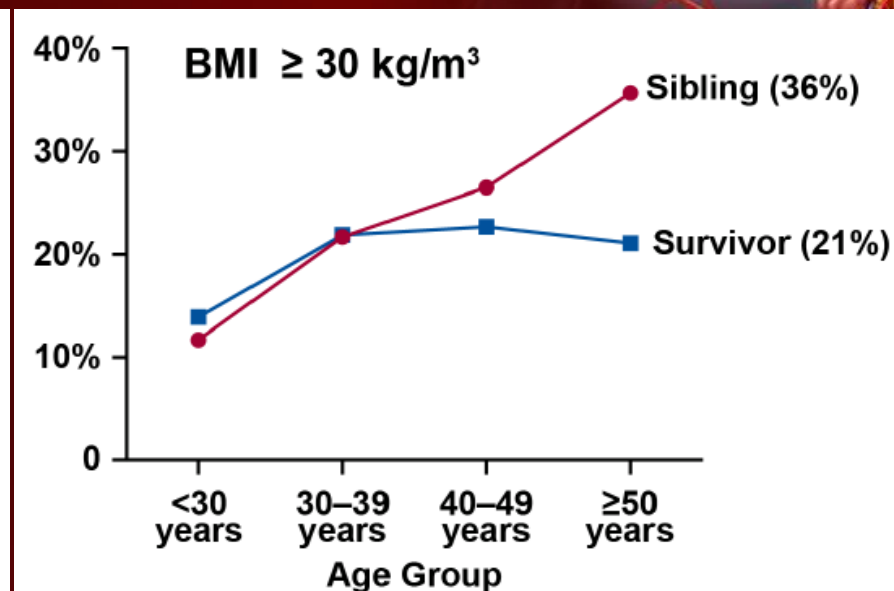
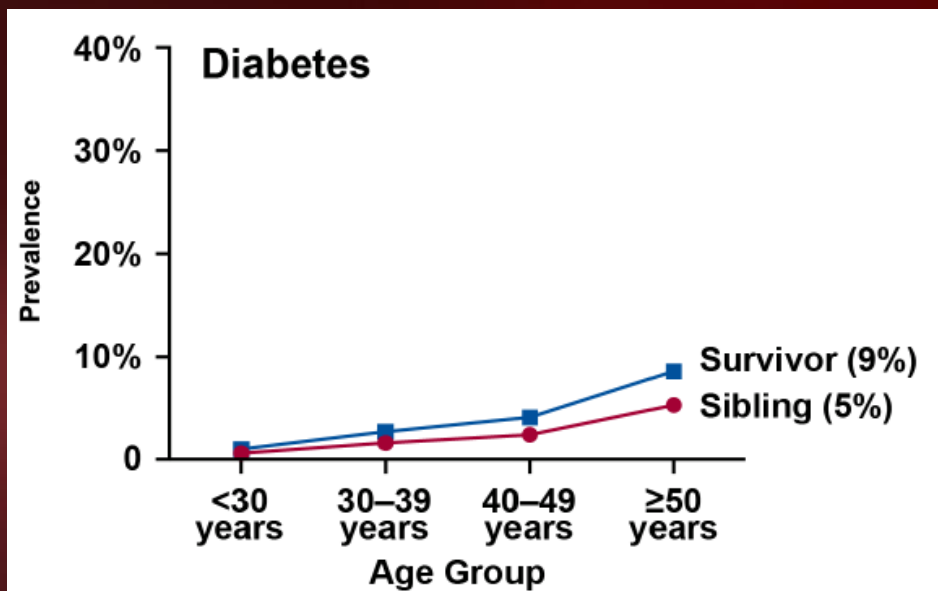
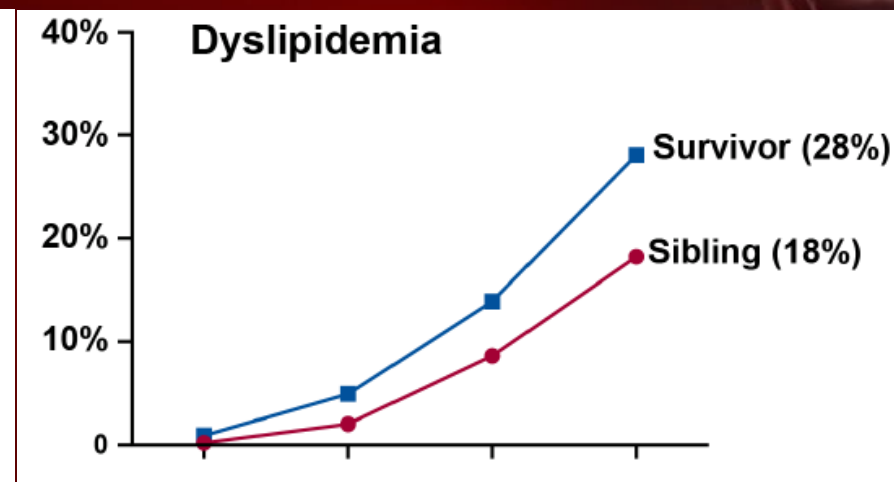
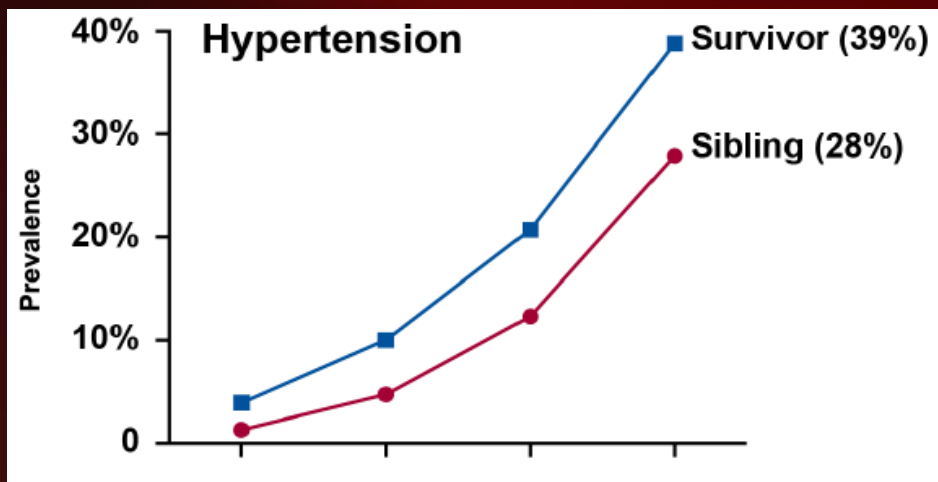
- Favorable lipid profile
 - Decreased LDL and total cholesterol
 - However: decreased HDL and increased triglycerides
 - Decreased Apo B-100
 - Decreased ApoB/Apo A-1
- Increases FMD in brachial artery
- Decrease cardiac markers
 - CRP
- Conditions protective mitochondrial activity in cardiac tissue



Traditional Risk Factors and Risk for Cardiotoxicity Post Chemo-Radiation



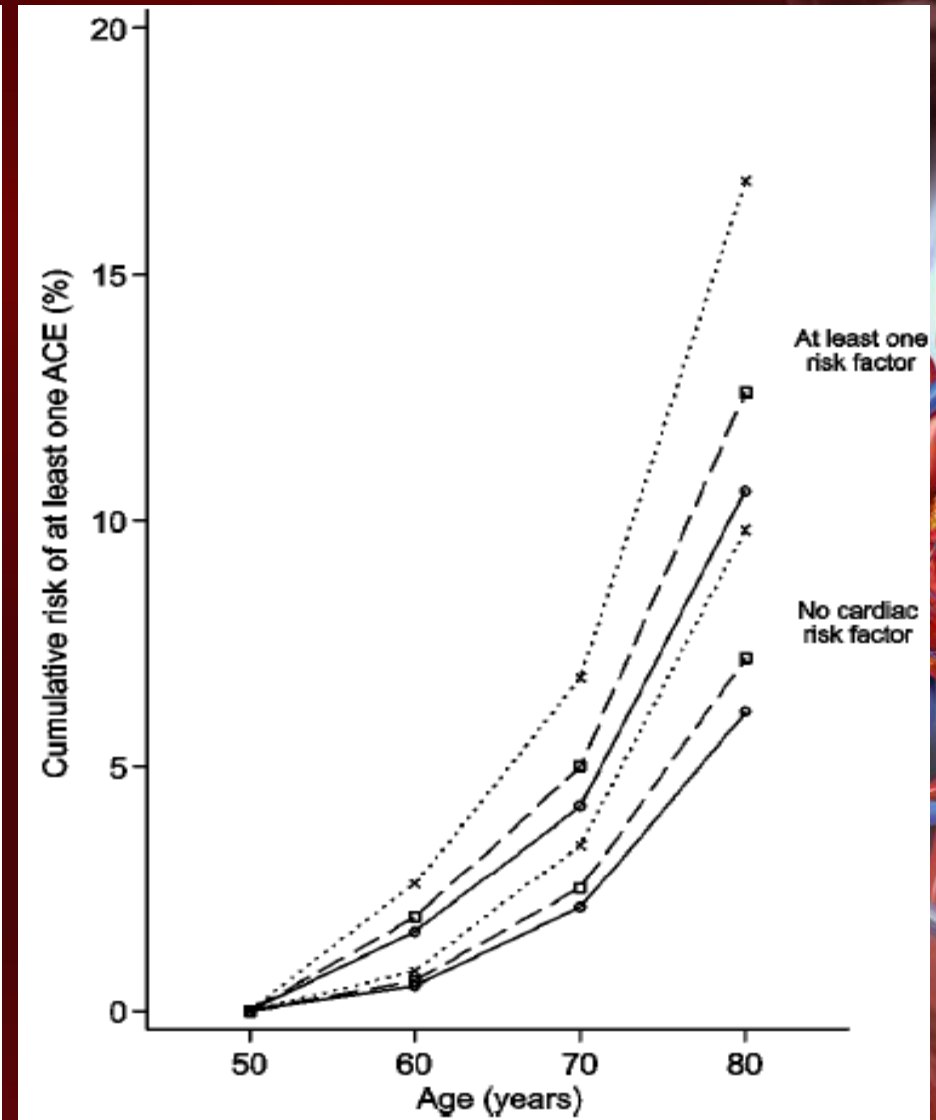
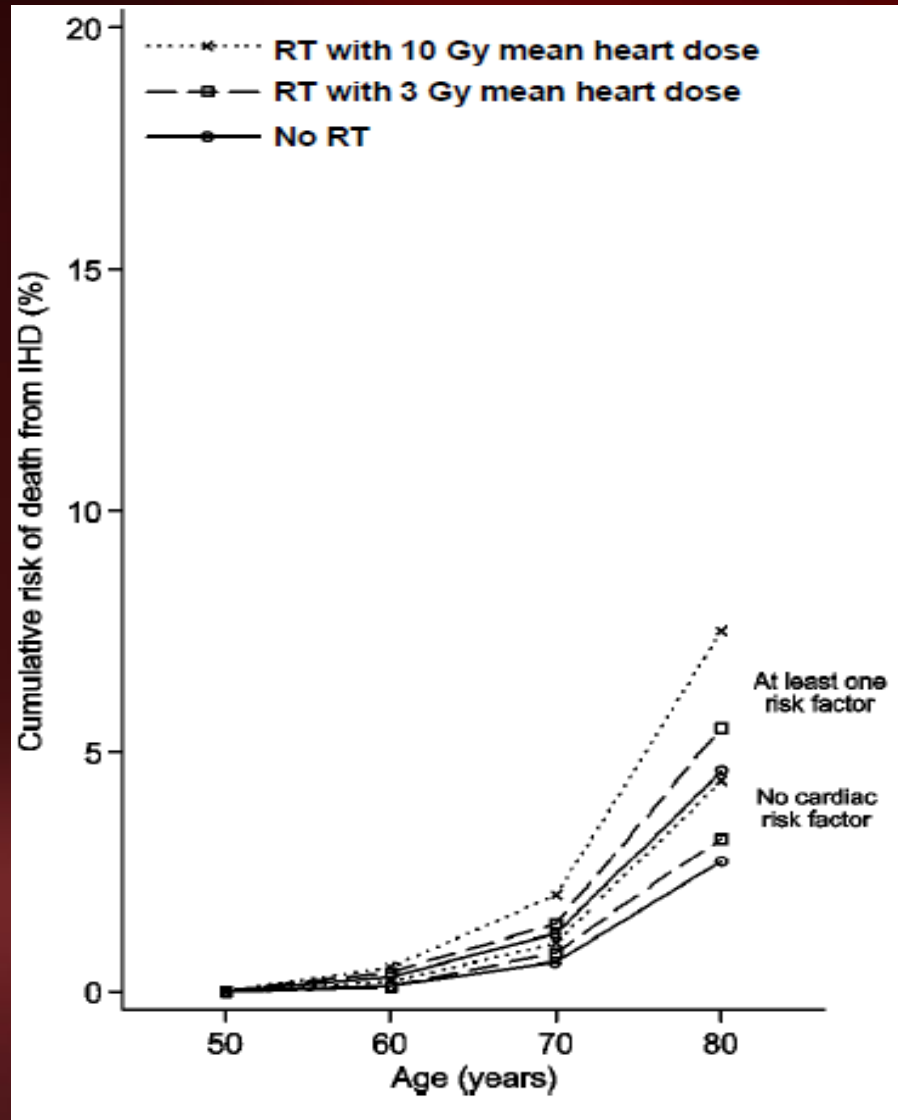
Survivors of Childhood Cancer: Prevalence of Cardiovascular Risk Factors



Cardiac Mortality and Risk Factor Cluster in Cancer Patients

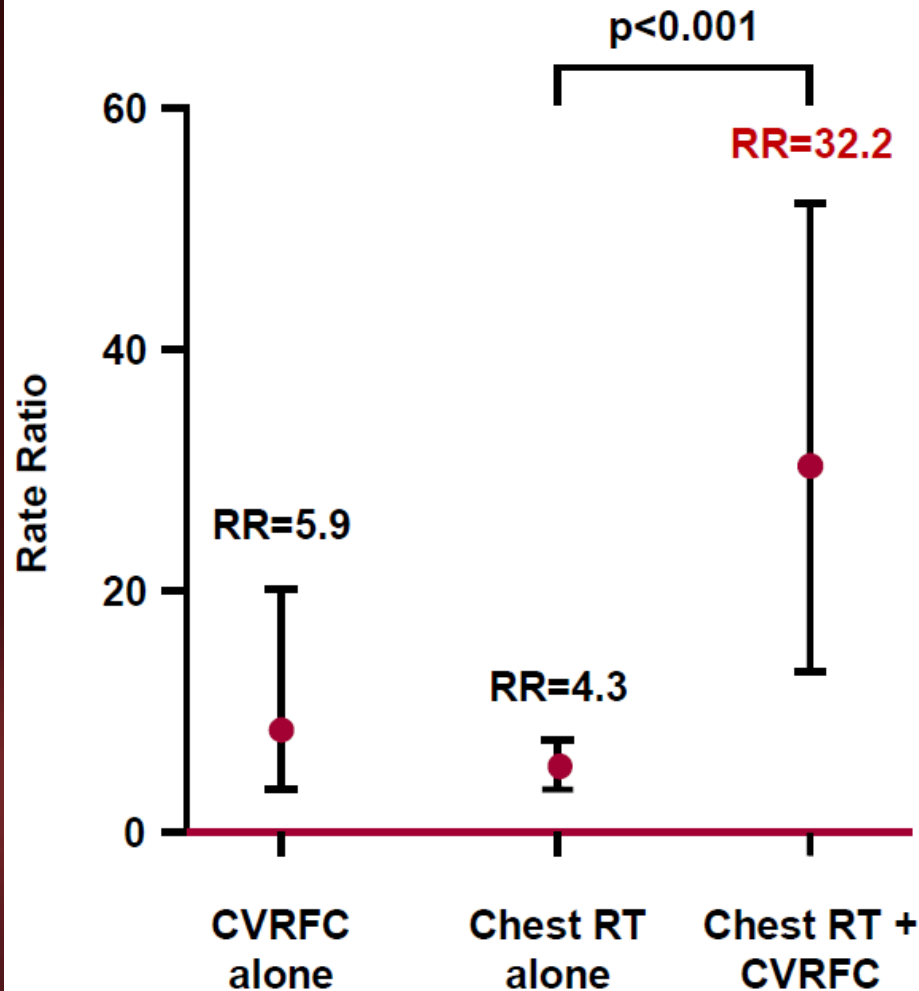
| Characteristic | Hazard Ratio | 95% CI |
|-----------------------|--------------|---------|
| Diabetes | 2.2 | 0.8-6.1 |
| Hypertension | 5.5 | 3.2-9.7 |
| Dyslipidemia | 1.7 | 0.7-3.8 |
| Obesity | 1.2 | 0.6-2.3 |
| Multiple Risk Factors | 2.4 | 1.2-4.9 |

Influence of Age on XRT Plus Cardiovascular Risk Factors

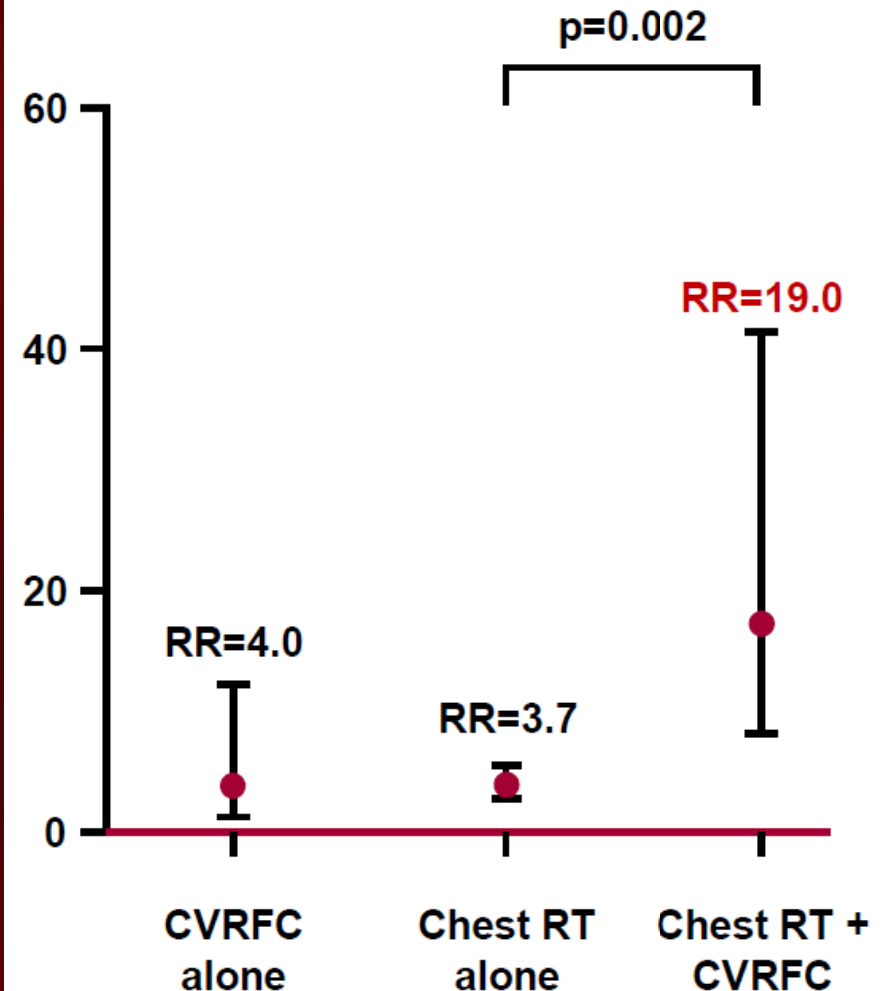


Chest Radiation and Cardiovascular Risk Factor Cluster

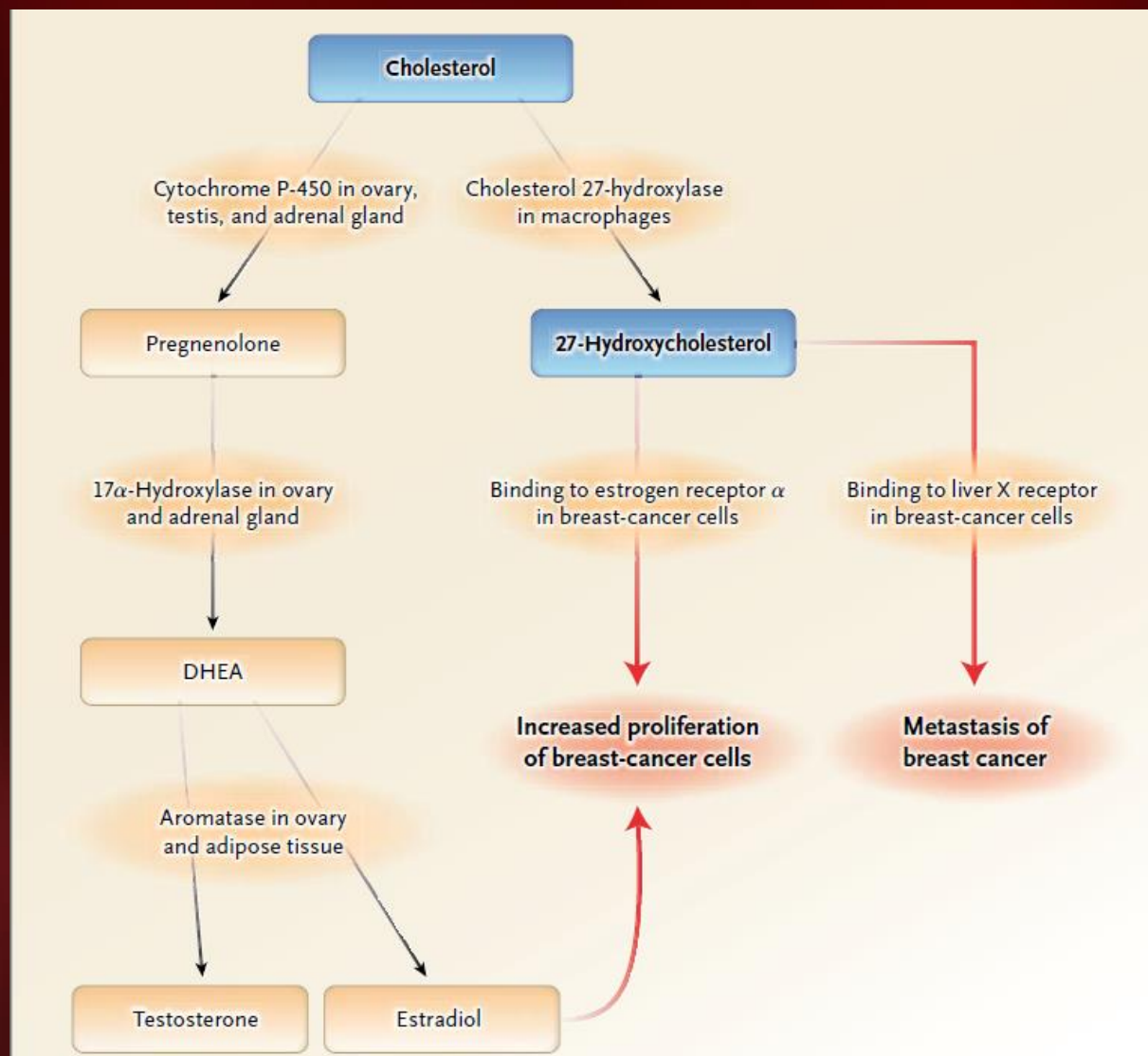
Coronary Artery Disease



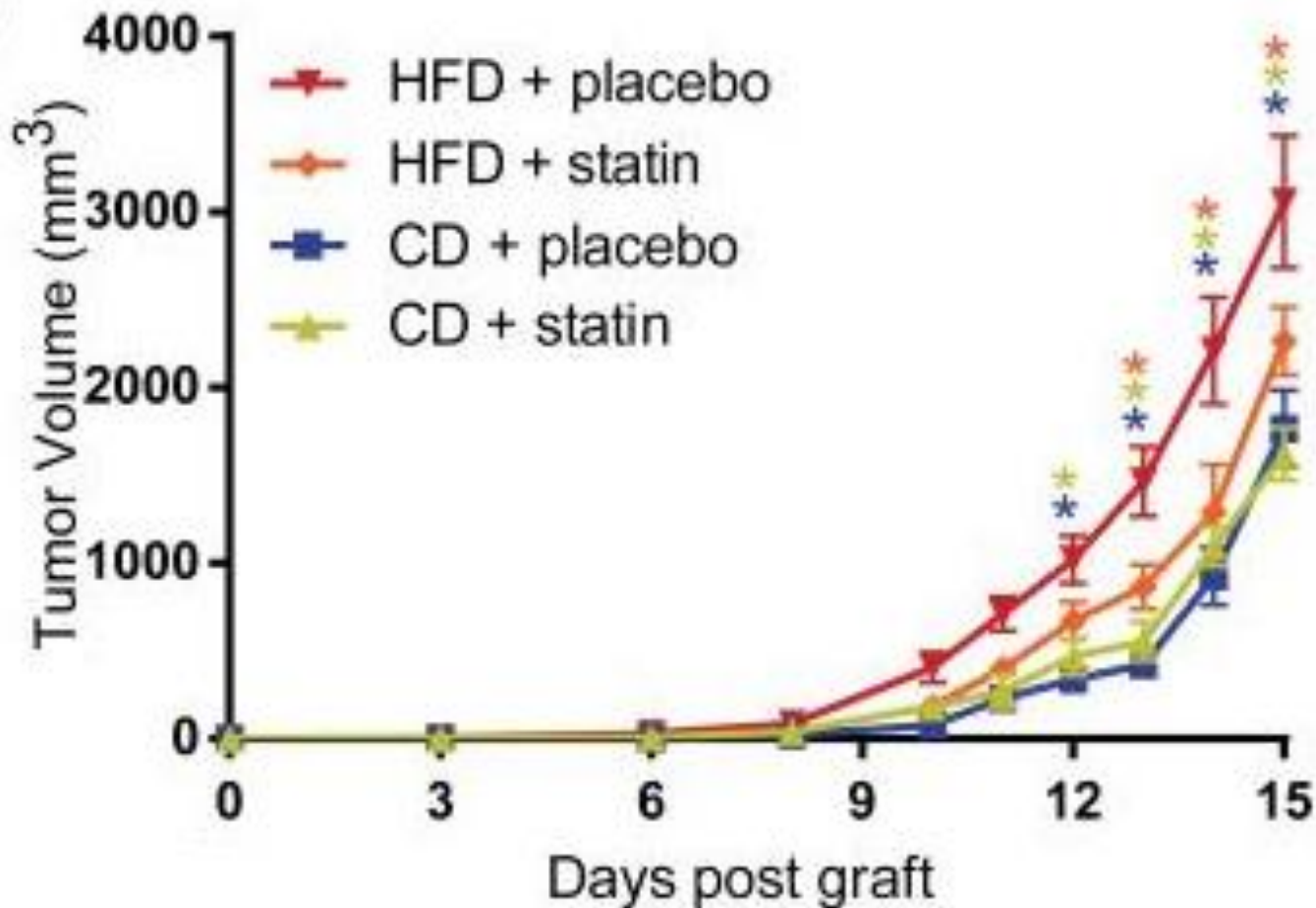
Congestive Heart Failure



Cholesterol Metabolism and Breast Cancer



Hypercholesterolemia and Breast Cancer Pathophysiology



Statin Use and Risk of Cancer in Patients with COPD



| Variable | No. of patients | No. of person-years | No. of patients with any cancer | Incidence Rate (per 10 ⁵ person-years) (95% CI) | | | aHR (95% CI) | P for Trend |
|---|-----------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|--|------------------|--|---------------------|-------------|
| Total statin use | | | | | | | | |
| Nonuser (<28 cDDD _s) | 33716 | 194933.6 | 5279 | 2708.1 | (2635.0, 2781.2) | | 1.00 | <0.001 |
| User (≥28 cDDD _s) | 10086 | 80239.4 | 964 | 1201.4 | (1125.6, 1277.2) | | 0.46(0.43, 0.50)*** | |
| 28–90 cDDD _s | 2346 | 17095.6 | 294 | 1719.7 | (1523.2, 1916.3) | | 0.65(0.58, 0.73)*** | |
| 91–365 cDDD _s | 3215 | 24193.1 | 343 | 1417.8 | (1267.7, 1567.8) | | 0.54(0.48, 0.60)*** | |
| >365 cDDD _s | 4525 | 38950.7 | 327 | 839.5 | (748.5, 930.5) | | 0.32(0.29, 0.36)*** | |
| Lipophilia statin use† | | | | | | | | |
| Nonuser (<28 cDDD _s) | 35008 | 204288.0 | 5379 | 2633.0 | (2562.7, 2703.4) | | 1.00 | <0.001 |
| User (≥28 cDDD _s) | 8794 | 70885.0 | 864 | 1218.9 | (1137.6, 1300.2) | | 0.57(0.53, 0.61)*** | |
| 28–90 cDDD _s | 2296 | 17069.8 | 270 | 1581.7 | (1393.1, 1770.4) | | 0.67(0.59, 0.75)*** | |
| 91–365 cDDD _s | 3012 | 23258.7 | 332 | 1427.4 | (1273.9, 1581.0) | | 0.65(0.58, 0.73)*** | |
| >365 cDDD _s | 3486 | 30556.4 | 262 | 857.4 | (753.6, 961.3) | | 0.42(0.37, 0.48)*** | |
| Hydrophilia statin use‡ | | | | | | | | |
| Nonuser (<28 cDDD _s) | 39878 | 242812.7 | 5974 | 2460.3 | (2397.9, 2522.7) | | 1.00 | <0.001 |
| User (≥28 cDDD _s) | 3924 | 32360.4 | 269 | 831.3 | (731.9, 930.6) | | 0.48(0.42, 0.55)*** | |
| 28–90 cDDD _s | 1122 | 8876.1 | 102 | 1149.2 | (926.1, 1372.2) | | 0.62(0.51, 0.75)*** | |
| 91–365 cDDD _s | 1531 | 12432.2 | 94 | 756.1 | (603.2, 909.0) | | 0.45(0.36, 0.55)*** | |
| >365 cDDD _s | 1271 | 11052.0 | 73 | 660.5 | (509.0, 812.0) | | 0.40(0.31, 0.50)*** | |
| Individual statin use (≥28 cDDD _s)‡ | | | | | | | | |
| Simvastatin | 3418 | 28625.0 | 257 | 897.8 | (788.0, 1007.6) | | 0.55(0.49, 0.63)*** | |
| Lovastatin | 2109 | 18281.5 | 262 | 1433.1 | (1259.6, 1606.7) | | 0.92(0.81, 1.04) | |
| Atorvastatin | 5484 | 44678.1 | 484 | 1083.3 | (986.8, 1179.8) | | 0.59(0.54, 0.65)*** | |
| Fluvastatin | 1510 | 12855.7 | 151 | 1174.6 | (987.2, 1361.9) | | 0.78(0.66, 0.92)** | |
| Pravastatin | 1501 | 12654.5 | 122 | 964.1 | (793.0, 1135.2) | | 0.66(0.55, 0.79)*** | |
| Rosuvastatin | 2741 | 22641.7 | 158 | 697.8 | (589.0, 806.6) | | 0.42(0.36, 0.49)*** | |

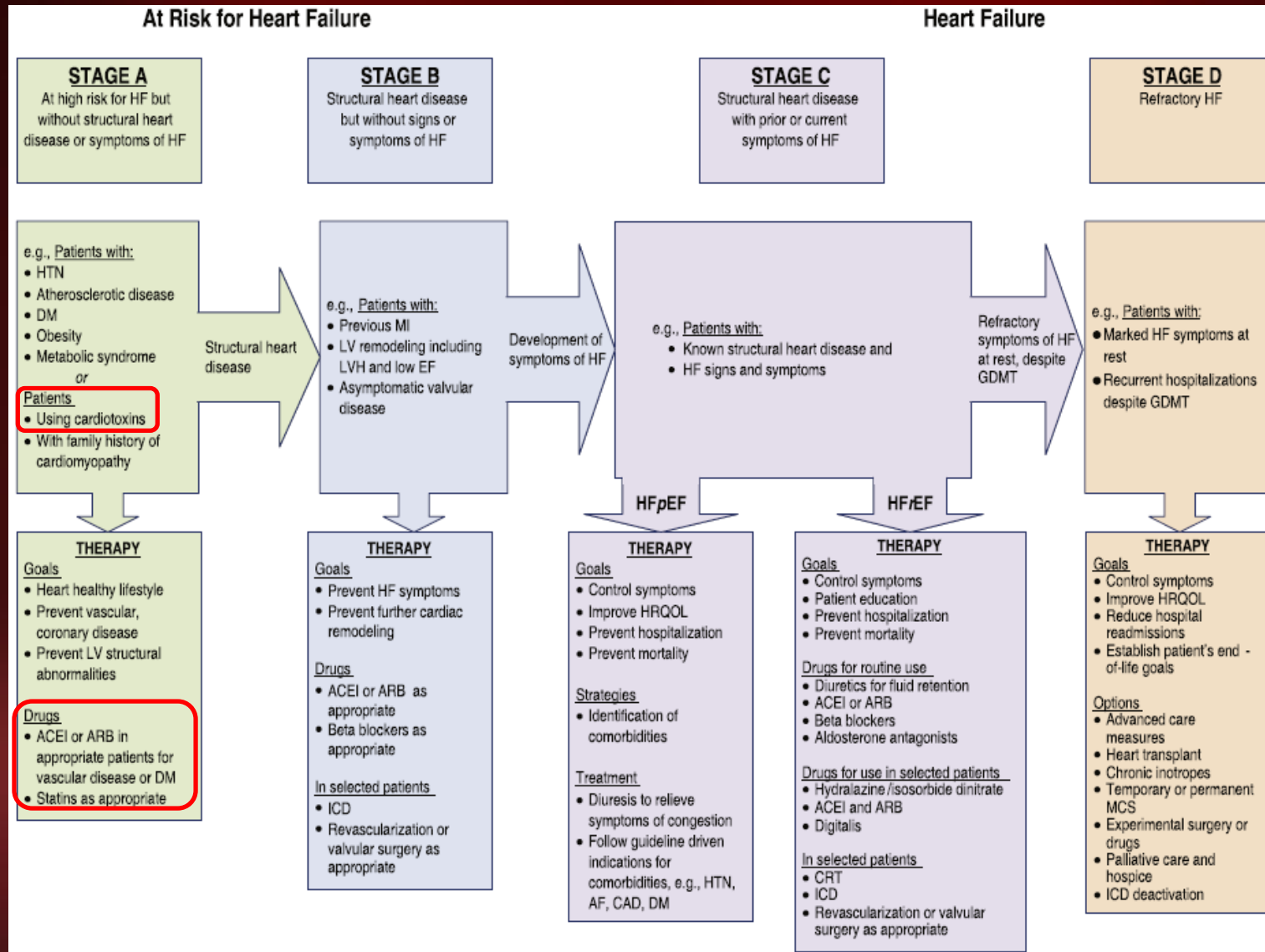
Exercise Protects Against Cancer Risk

| Cancer site | Cancer cases | RR (95% CI) | Author | Year |
|-------------|--------------|------------------|------------------------|------|
| Prostate | 88,294 | 0.9 (0.84-0.95) | Liu ⁵⁷ | 2011 |
| Breast | 63,786 | 0.88 (0.85-0.91) | Wu ⁵⁸ | 2012 |
| Bladder | 27,784 | 0.85 (0.74-0.98) | Kiemling ⁵⁹ | 2014 |
| Esophagus | 15,745 | 0.79 (0.66-0.94) | Behrens ⁶¹ | 2014 |
| Kidney | 10,756 | 0.88 (0.79-0.97) | Behrens ⁶⁰ | 2013 |
| Endometrium | NA | 0.82 (0.75-0.9) | Keum ⁶² | 2014 |

Biomarker/Imaging for Detection of Cardiotoxicity



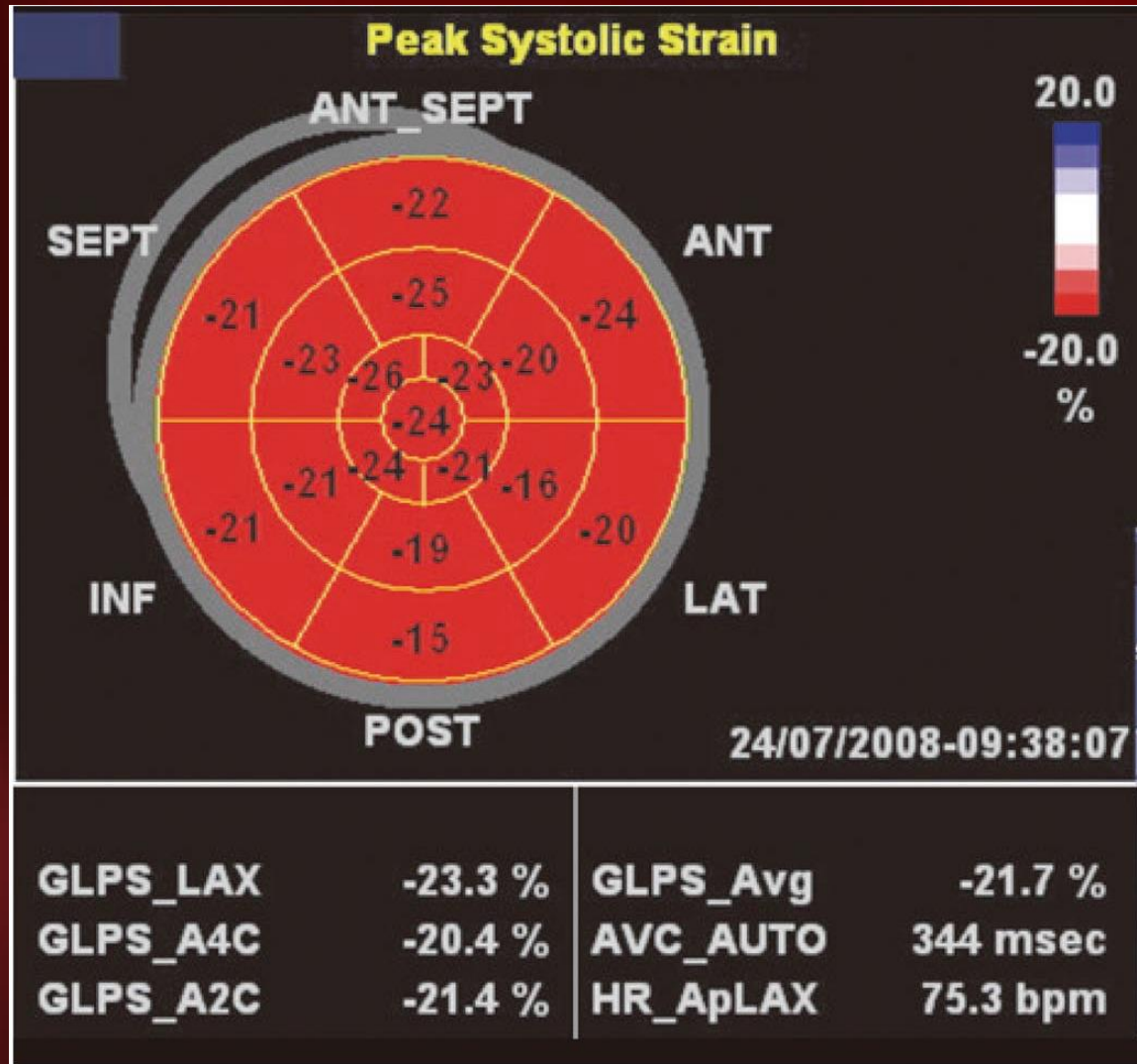
Stages in Heart Failure Development/ Recommended Therapy by Stage



Strain and Troponin-I for Prediction of Cardiotoxicity

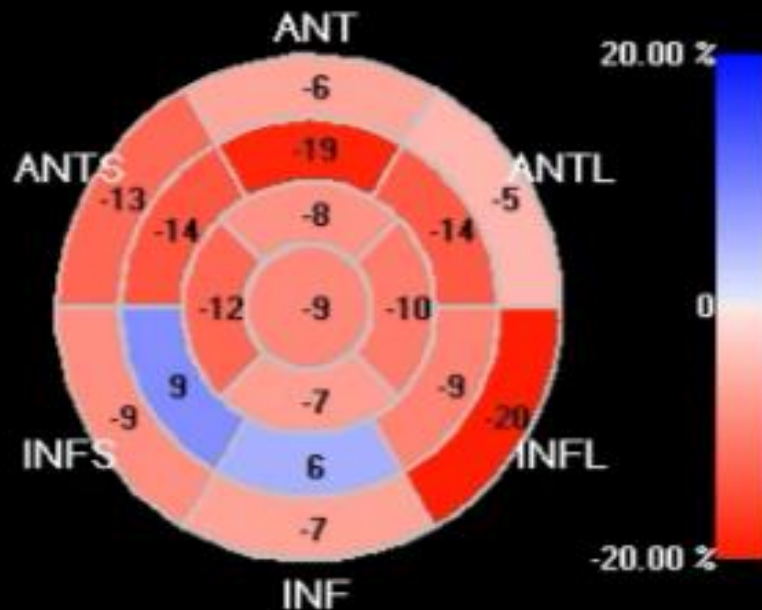
| | Sensitivity | Specificity | PPV | NPV |
|---|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| 10% decrease long strain | 7/9 (78%) | 27/34 (79%) | 7/14 (50%) | 27/29 (93%) |
| Increased cTnI at 3 months | 6/9 (67%) | 28/34 (82%) | 6/12 (50%) | 28/31 (90%) |
| 10% decrease long strain and increased cTnI at 3 months | 5/9 (55%) | 33/34 (97%) | 5/6 (83%) | 33/37 (89%) |
| 10% decrease long strain or increased cTnI at 3 months | 8/9 (89%) | 22/34 (65%) | 8/20 (40%) | 22/23 (97%) |

Normal LV Myocardial Global and Segmental Longitudinal Strain Data



Chemotherapy Cardiomyopathy

● Peak Systolic Strain ● Time to Peak



Peak Systolic Strain

HR = 105 bpm

AP2 L Strain = -8 %

AP4 L Strain = -9 %

AP3 L Strain = -11 %

G.L. Strain (Avg.) = -9 %

Silver, Palomo, Okwuosa 2016

| Markers | Strength of Evidence on Radiotherapy† | Strength of Evidence on Chemotherapy# | Strength of Evidence Overall‡ |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| GLS‡ | +++++ (5) | +++++ (6) | +++++ |
| Troponin-I* | +++ (5) | +++ (20) | +++ |
| Troponin-T* | ++ (3) | +++ (18) | +++ |
| BNP* | +++++ (5) | +++++ (8) | +++++ |
| NT-pro-BNP* | +++++ (3) | +++++ (25) | +++++ |



Testing Based on Pathophysiology

Patho-physiology

Exposure



Disrupted
mitochondrial function &
actin-myosin interaction

→ intra- and extracellular
edema, inflammation,
cell injury

→ Impaired
regional
LV function

→ Myocellular death,
collagen deposition,
LV remodelling

→ Decreased
LVEF,
cardiac output

→ Neurohormonal
activation,
CHF

Echo vs. MUGA

Surveillance

← + MRI contrast signal intensity →

← MRI T2 signal →

← + serum cardiac Troponin I →

← Abnormal regional function →

← + serum BNP measurement →

← Decreased LVEF →

← ↓ Exercise capacity →

Blood Work

Strain Imaging

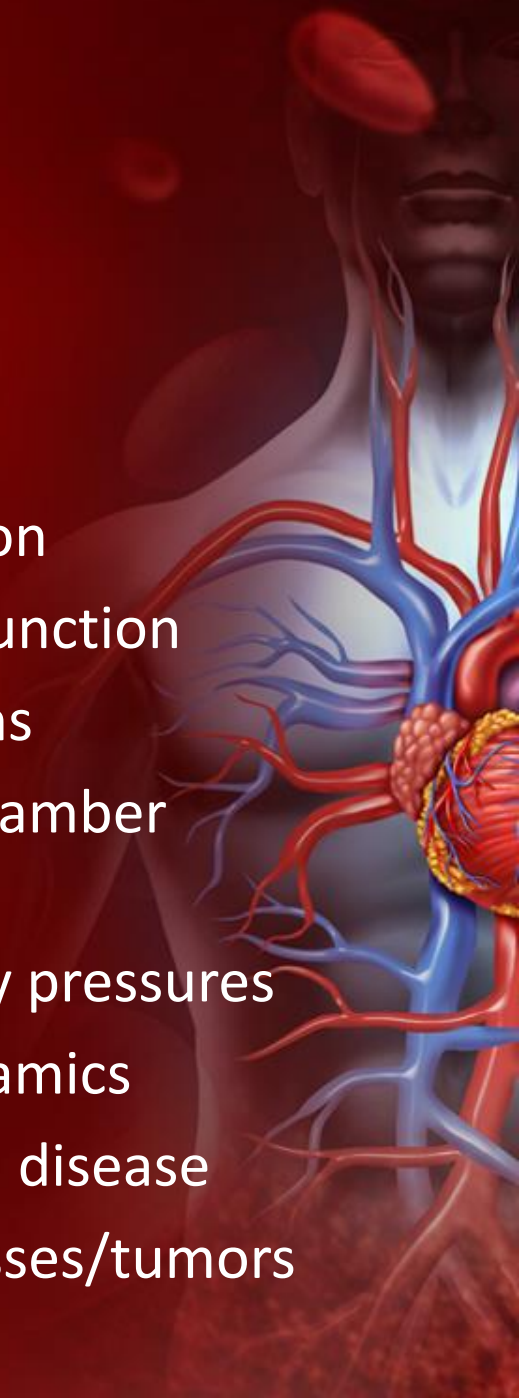
MUGA vs. Echo

MUGA

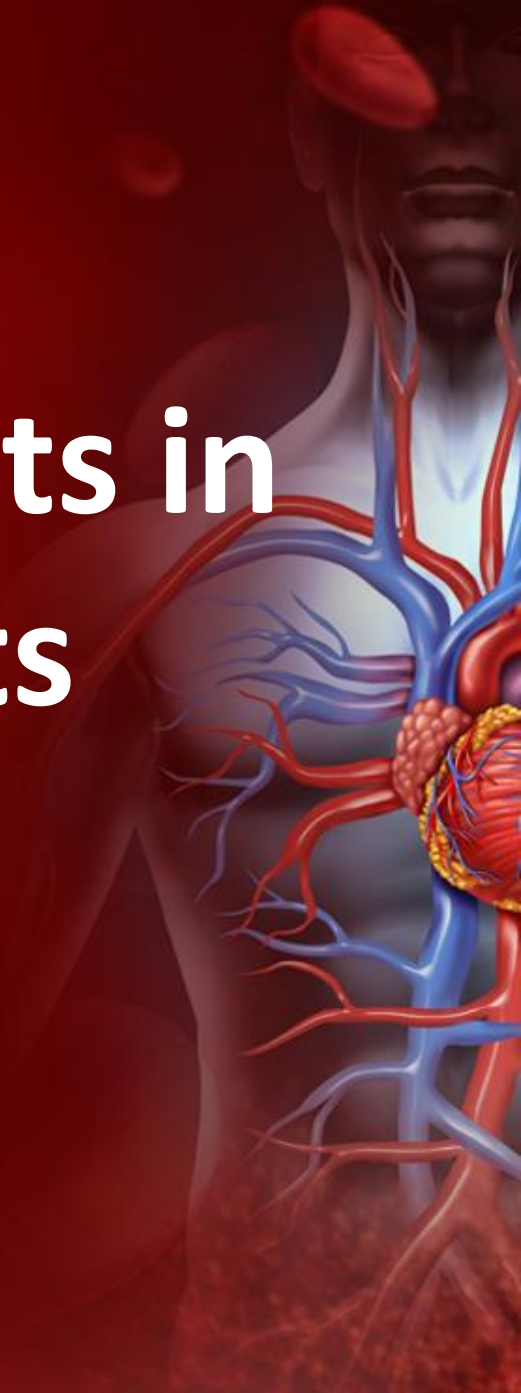
- Assessment of ejection fraction
- Less accurate assessment with rhythm disorders
- Significant radiation exposure
- ?More expensive?
- No other information on cardiac structure/ function

ECHO

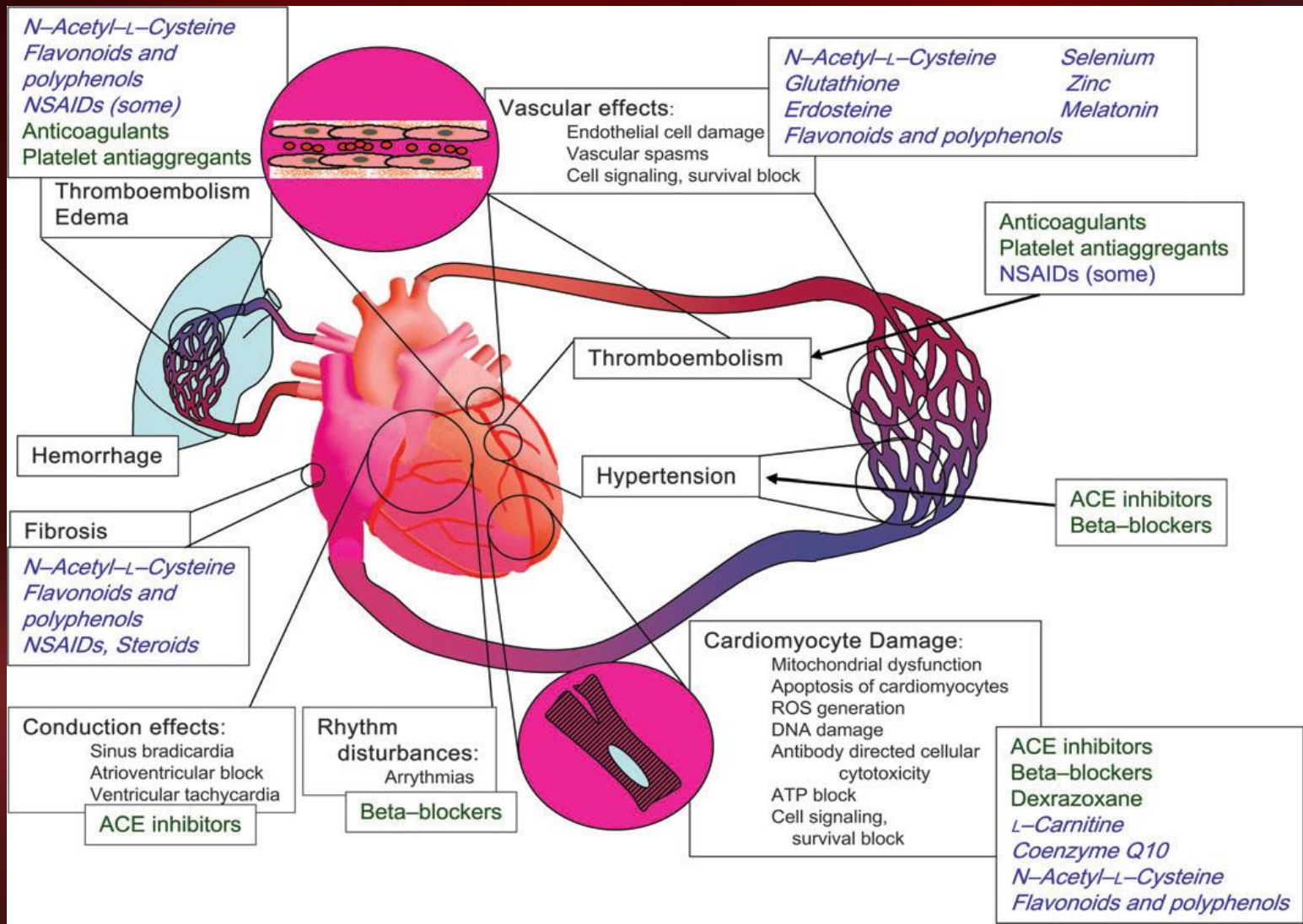
- **Strain**
- Valves
- Wall motion
- Diastolic function
- Dimensions
- Cardiac chamber structure
- Pulmonary pressures
- Hemodynamics
- Pericardial disease
- Other masses/tumors



Cardiac Treatments in Cancer Patients



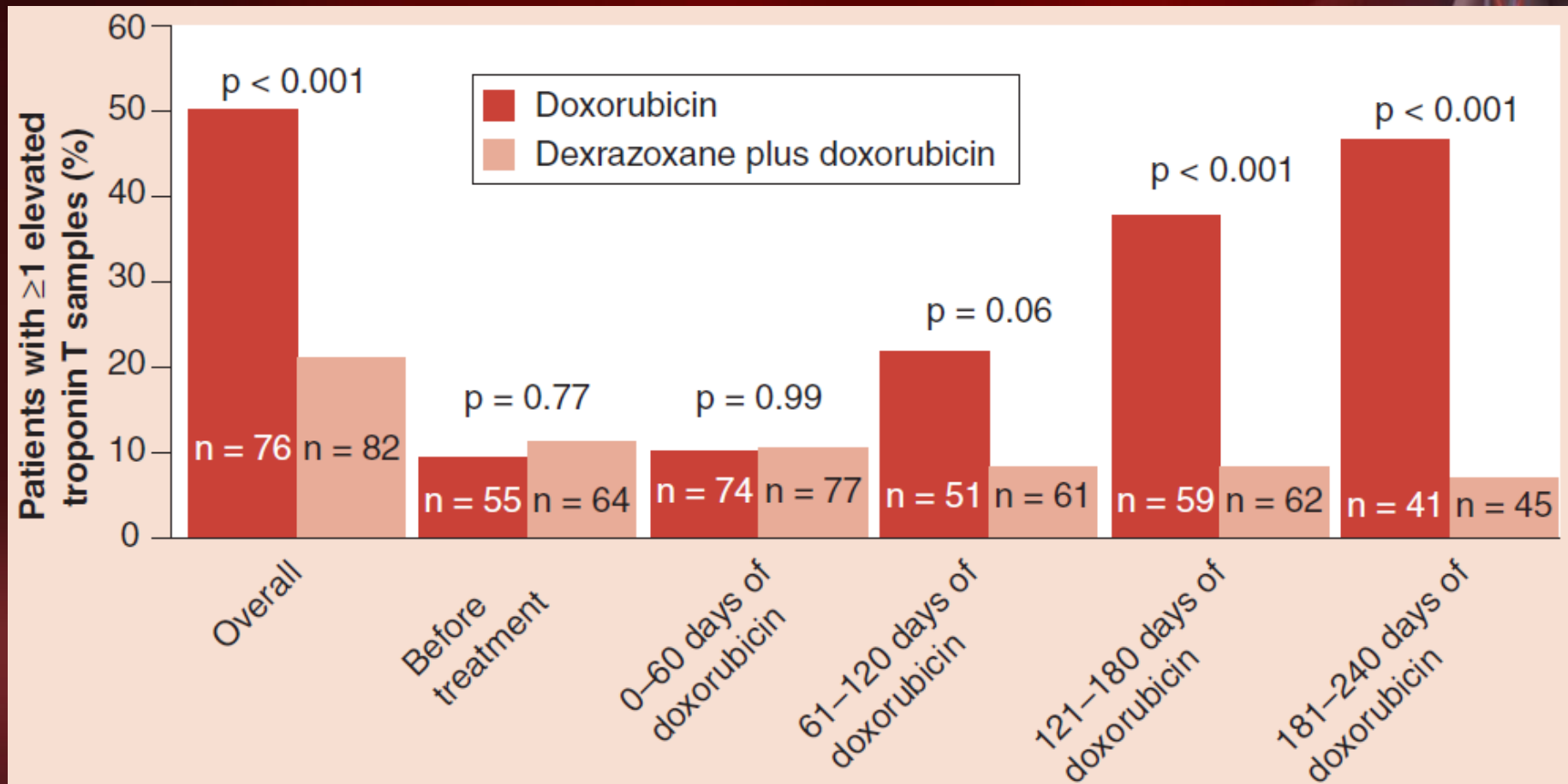
Examples of major mechanisms causing cardiotoxicity of anticancer treatments, clinically used therapeutic agents, and potential protective agents



Prevention of Chemotherapy-Induced Cardiotoxicity

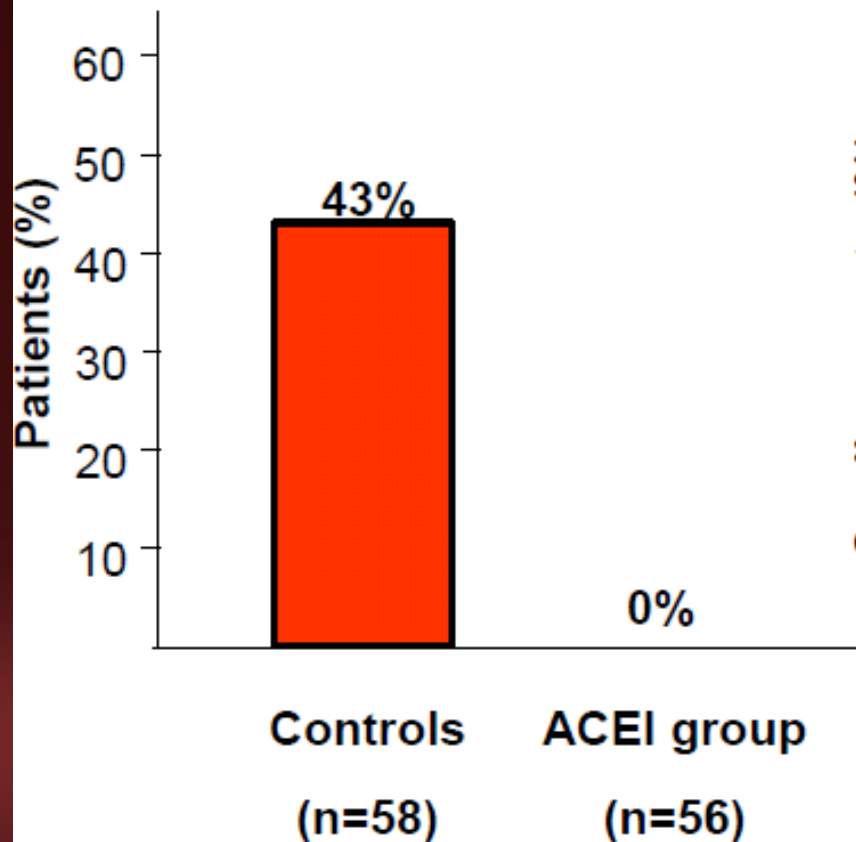
| Chemotherapy drug | Potential cardioprotective measure |
|------------------------------|---|
| All chemotherapy drugs | Identify and treat cardiovascular risk factors |
| | Treat comorbidities (CAD, HF, PAD, HTN) |
| | QTc prolongation and torsade de pointes: - Avoid QT prolonging drugs - Manage electrolyte abnormalities |
| | Minimize cardiac irradiation |
| Anthracyclines and analogues | Limit cumulative dose (mg/m ²): - Daunorubicin <800 - Doxorubicin <360 - Epirubicin <720 - Mitoxantrone <160 - Idarubicin <150 |
| | Altered delivery systems (liposomal doxorubicin) or continuous infusions |
| | Dexrazoxane as an alternative |
| | ACE-Is or ARBs |
| | β-blockers |
| | Statins |
| | Aerobic exercise |
| | |
| Trastuzumab | ACE-Is |
| | β-blockers |

Dexrazoxane for Preventing Doxorubicin-Induced Cardiotoxicity

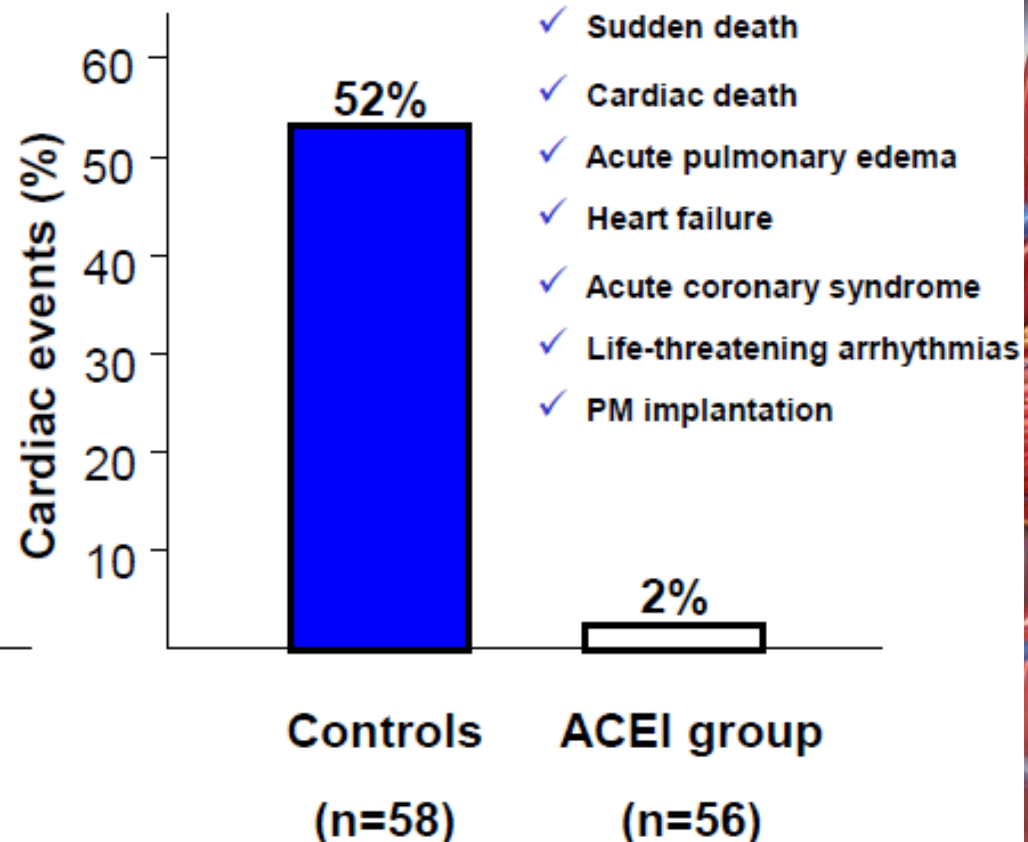


Prevention with ACE Inhibitors

LV DYSFUNCTION

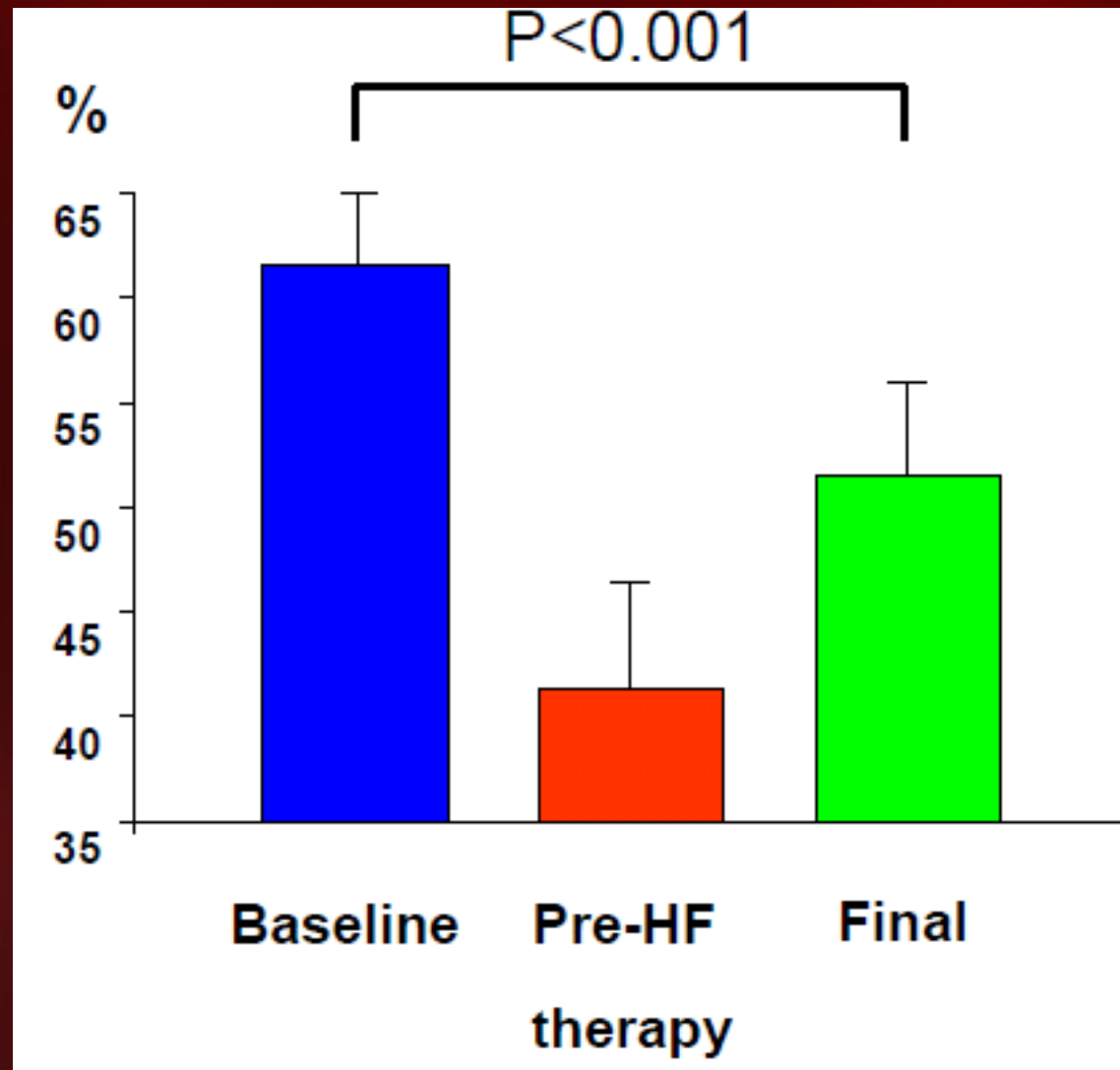


CARDIAC EVENTS



- Therapy given based on increase in troponin I

Changes in LV Ejection Fraction after Heart Failure Therapy (ACE-I/BB)



Cardiovascular Interventions in Thrombocytopenic Cancer Patients

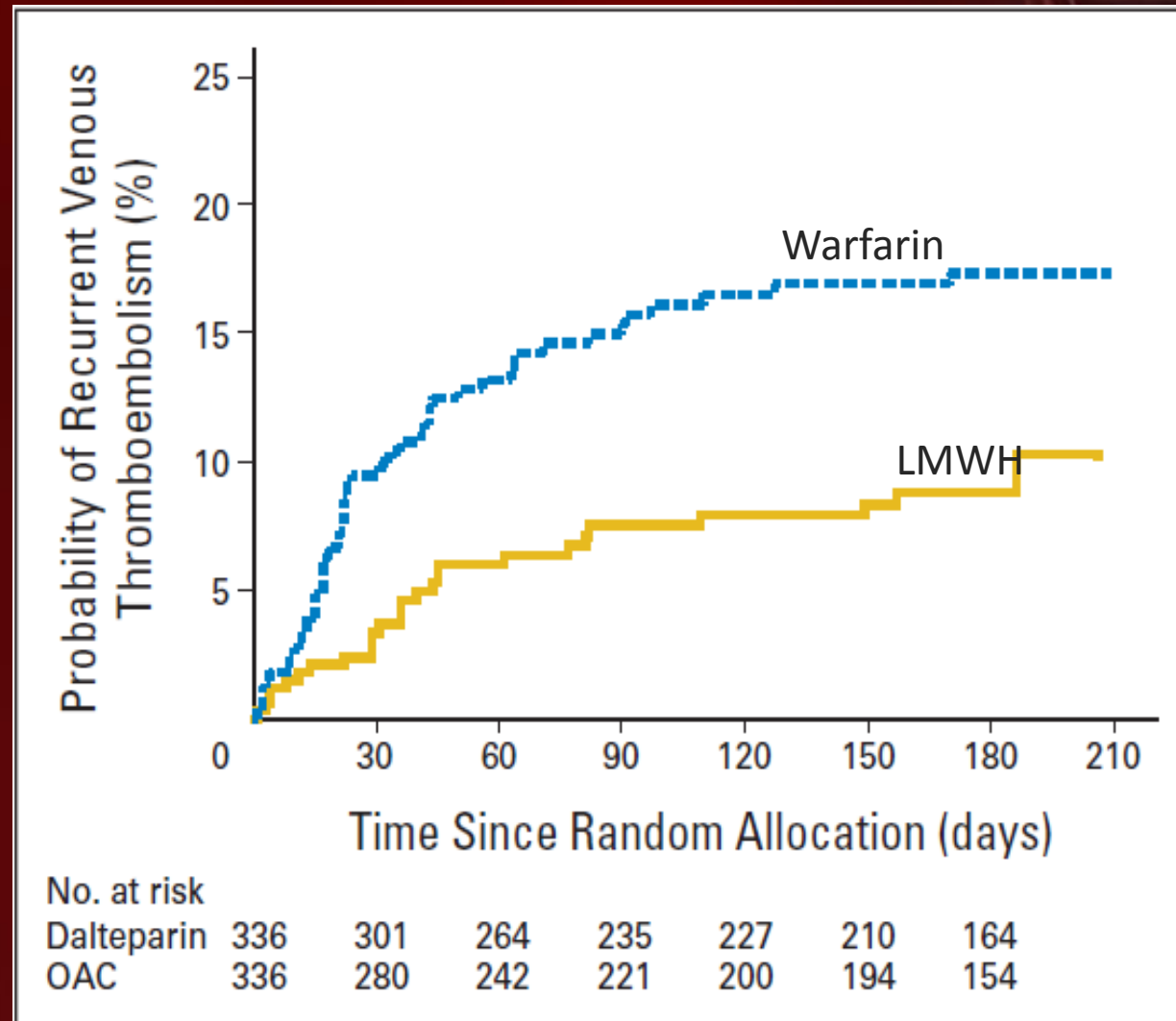
Patients and Methods. Thrombocytopenia has been a contraindication for interventional cardiology procedures due to the increased risk of bleeding. Starting in September 2008, we treated cancer patients who presented with abnormal cardiovascular stress tests or acute coronary syndromes in a systematic fashion according to current cardiovascular guidelines, independent of their platelet counts (excluding patients with sepsis or active bleeding). We identified a total of 30 patients with chronic thrombocytopenia, defined as absolute platelet count $<100,000/\text{mm}^3$ (mean platelet count, $49,000/\text{mm}^3$; lowest platelet count, $9,000/\text{mm}^3$). These patients underwent cardiac catheterization and appropriate coronary artery disease treatment.

Results. In all patients who had thrombocytopenia, the procedures were completed without major bleeding complications. No platelet transfusions were administered before or during the procedures.



Anticoagulation in Cancer Patients

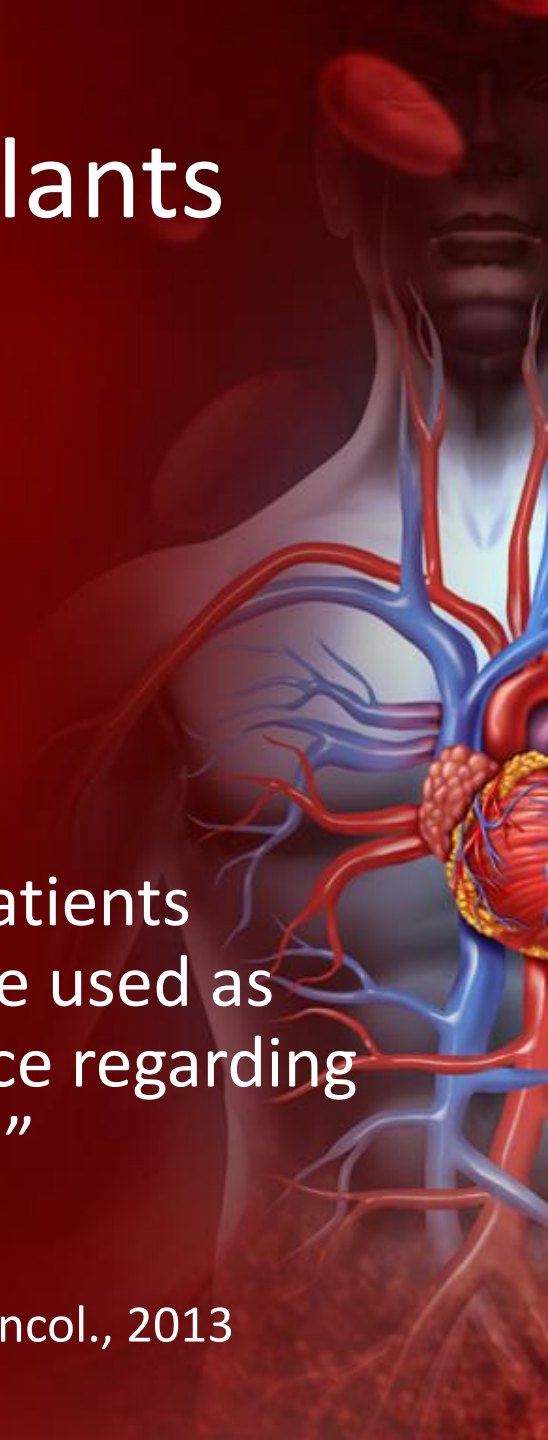
- **Cardiac Indications**
 - Atrial Fibrillation
 - Artificial Heart Valves
 - Thromboembolic Disease
- **Severe thrombocytopenia:**
 - platelet infusion, keep counts > 50
- **Platelets 20 – 50:**
 - Cut LMWH in half
- **Platelets < 20**
 - consider discontinuation of anticoagulation
 - use prophylactic LMWH
- **Individualized management**



Newer Oral Anticoagulants

- Dabigatran
- Rivaroxaban
- Apixaban
- “Although the role of NOAs in cancer patients remains a possibility, they should not be used as first-line therapy until further experience regarding both safety and efficacy is accumulated”

• Chen et al, Semin. Oncol., 2013



Anticoagulation for Afib in Cancer, 2016

A subanalysis of the ARISTOTLE study (N = 18201) evaluated the effects of active cancer on the efficacy and safety outcomes of apixaban versus warfarin in patients with nonvalvular atrial fibrillation (NVAF).¹

At baseline, history of cancer was reported in 1236 (6.8%) of the 18201 randomized patients. There were 157 (12.7%) patients with active cancer or treated within 1 year and 1079 (87.3%) patients with a remote history of cancer.¹

Results from the subanalysis showed¹:

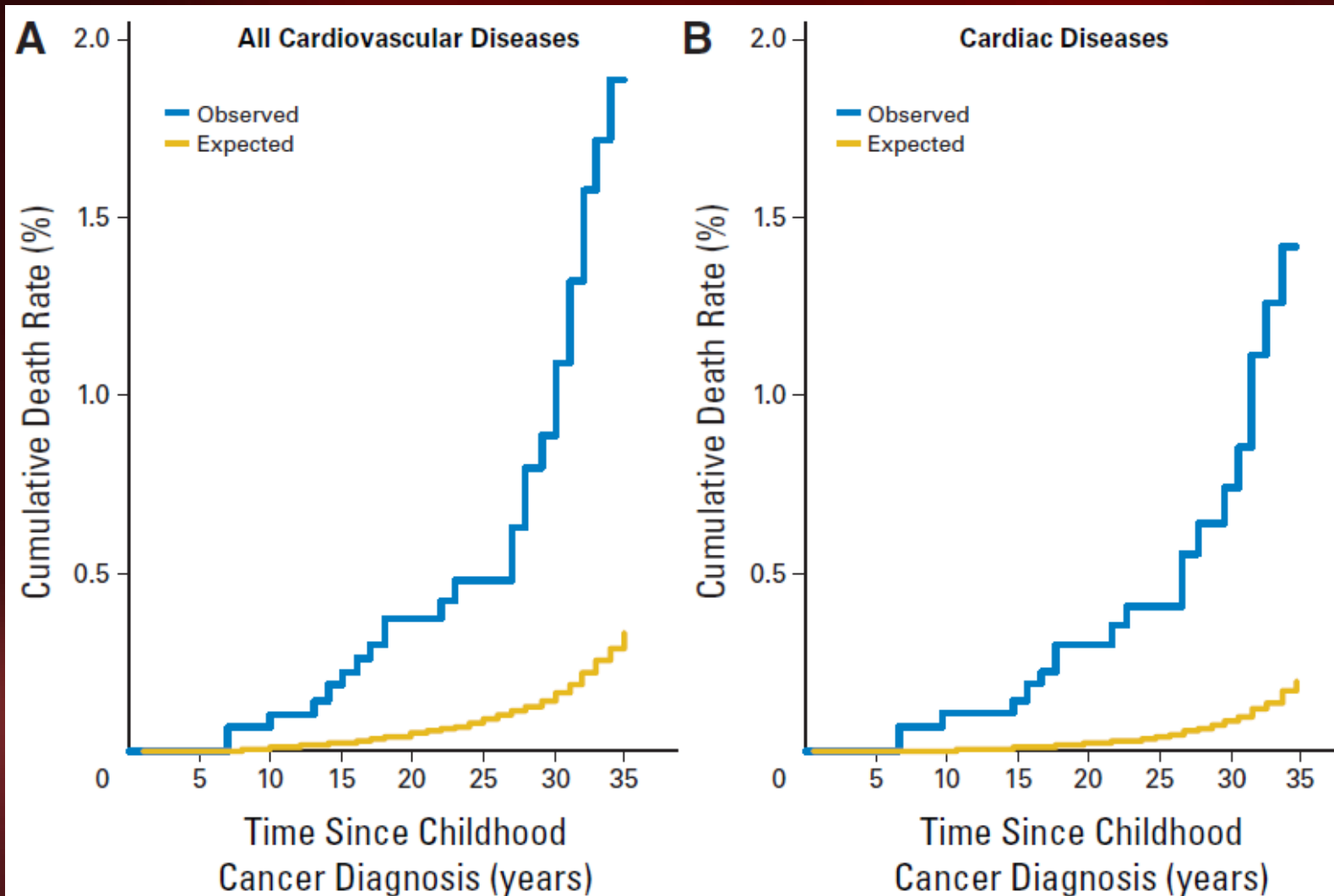
- In patients with active cancer, stroke or systemic embolism occurred at an event rate/100 person-years of 0 in the apixaban arm and 3.8 in the warfarin arm (HR not available). In patients with no active cancer, stroke or systemic embolism occurred at an event rate/100 person-years of 1.3 in the apixaban arm and 1.6 in the warfarin arm (HR 0.77, 95% CI 0.64-0.93) (*P* interaction = 0.95).
- Irrespective of cancer history, the treatment effect of apixaban versus warfarin for the primary efficacy outcome of stroke or systemic embolism was consistent among patients with cancer and without cancer (*P* interaction 0.37).
- In patients with active cancer, ISTH major bleeding occurred at an event rate/100 person-years of 0.8 in the apixaban arm and 4.5 in the warfarin arm (HR 0.19, 95% CI 0.02-1.59). In patients with no active cancer, ISTH major bleeding occurred at an event rate/100 person-years of 2.1 in the apixaban arm and 3.1 in the warfarin arm (HR 0.69, 95% CI 0.59-0.80) (*P* interaction = 0.23)

• Study sponsored by Bristol-Myers Squibb and Pfizer

PREVENTION IN SURVIVORS

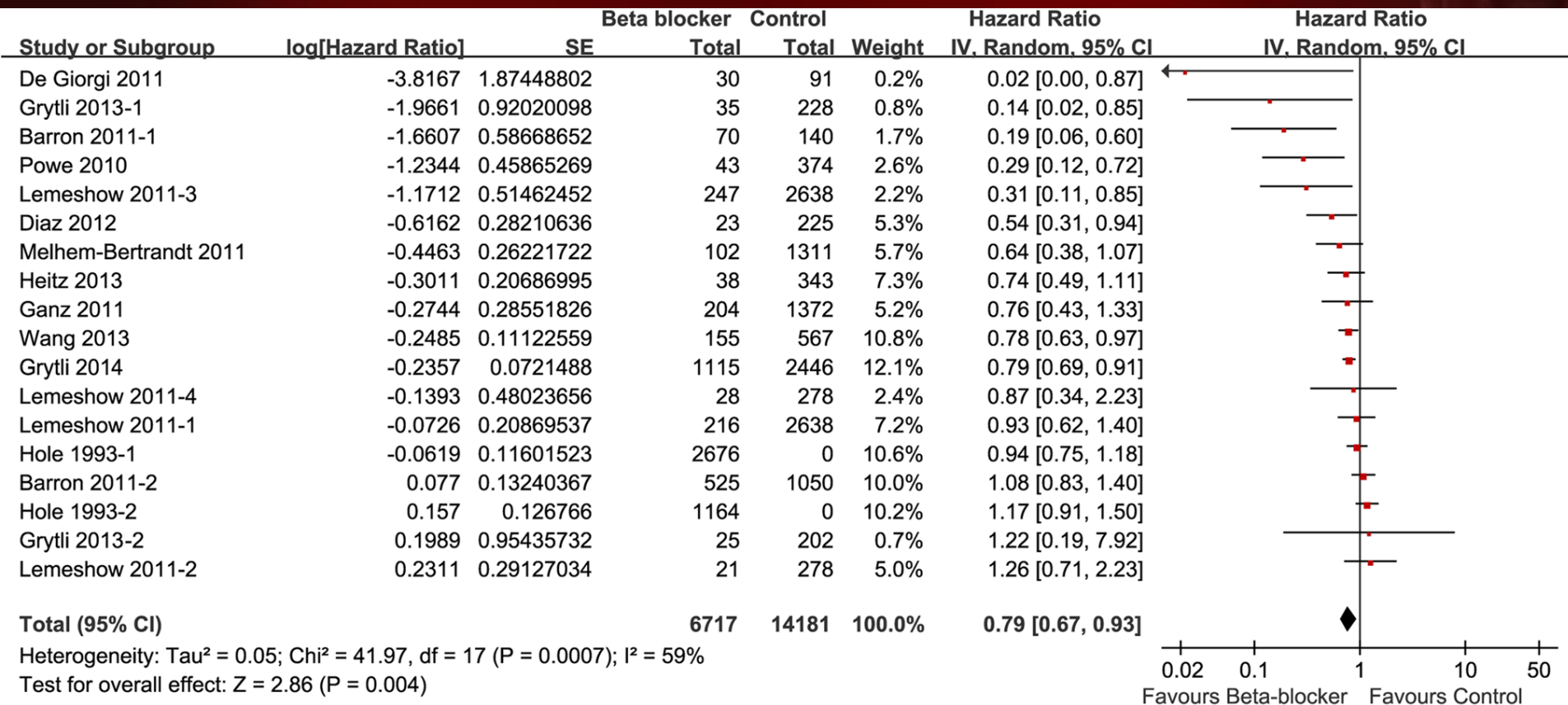


Risk of Cardiac and Cardiovascular Diseases Worsen with Time in Cancer Survivors



Meta-analysis of the effects of beta blocker on survival time in cancer patients

Findings independent of cancer stage



| | No. of comparisons | HR (95 % CI) | p |
|---|--------------------|------------------|---------|
| <i>Overall survival</i> | | | |
| All trials (fixed) | 18 | 0.84 (0.78–0.92) | <0.0001 |
| All trials (random) | 18 | 0.79 (0.67–0.93) | 0.004 |
| Exclusion of trials before 2000 | 16 | 0.73 (0.61–0.88) | 0.0009 |
| Exclusion of small trials (<300 patients) | 12 | 0.84 (0.73–0.97) | 0.02 |

Exercise and Cardiovascular Events in Hodgkin Lymphoma Survivors

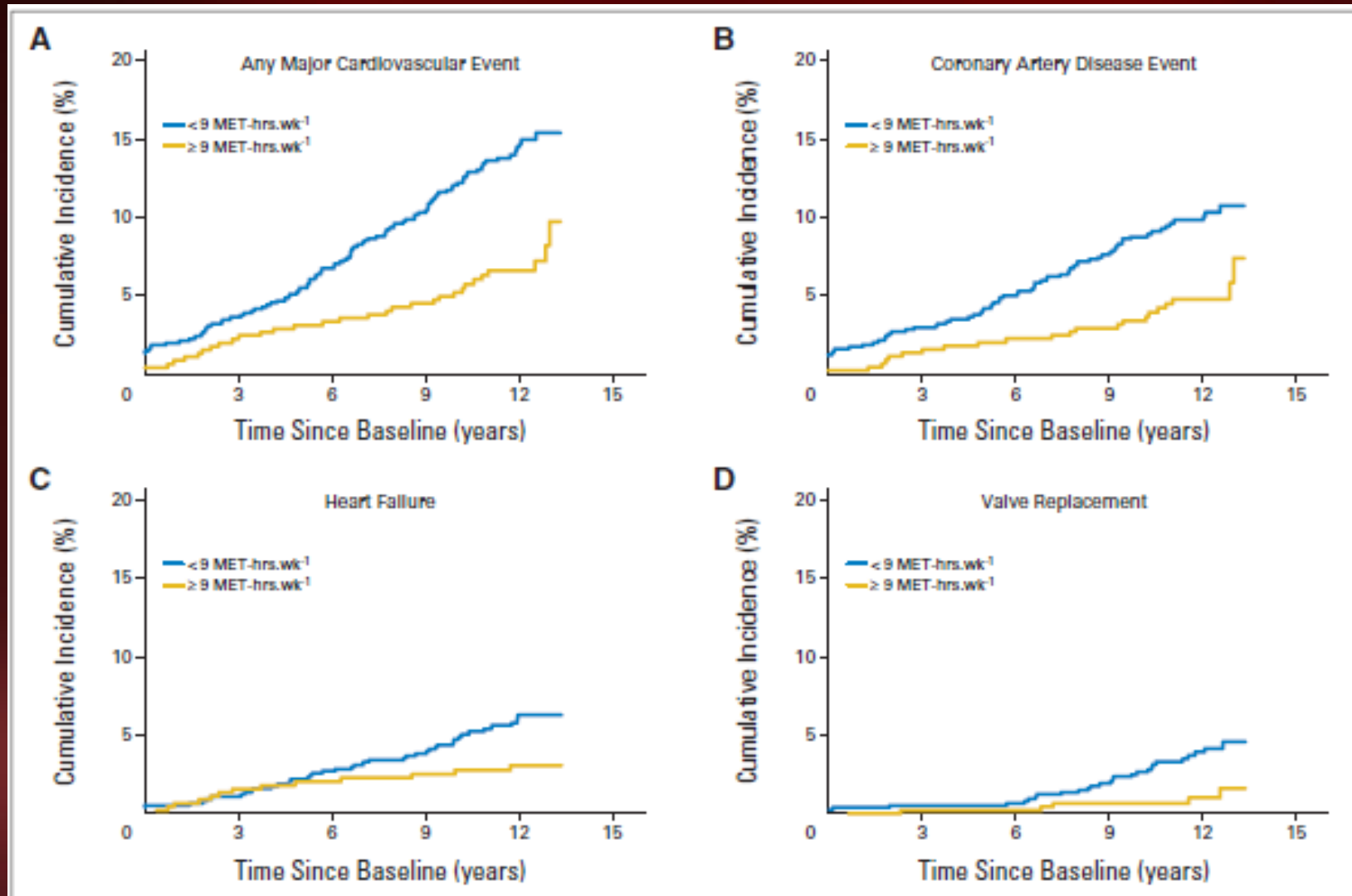


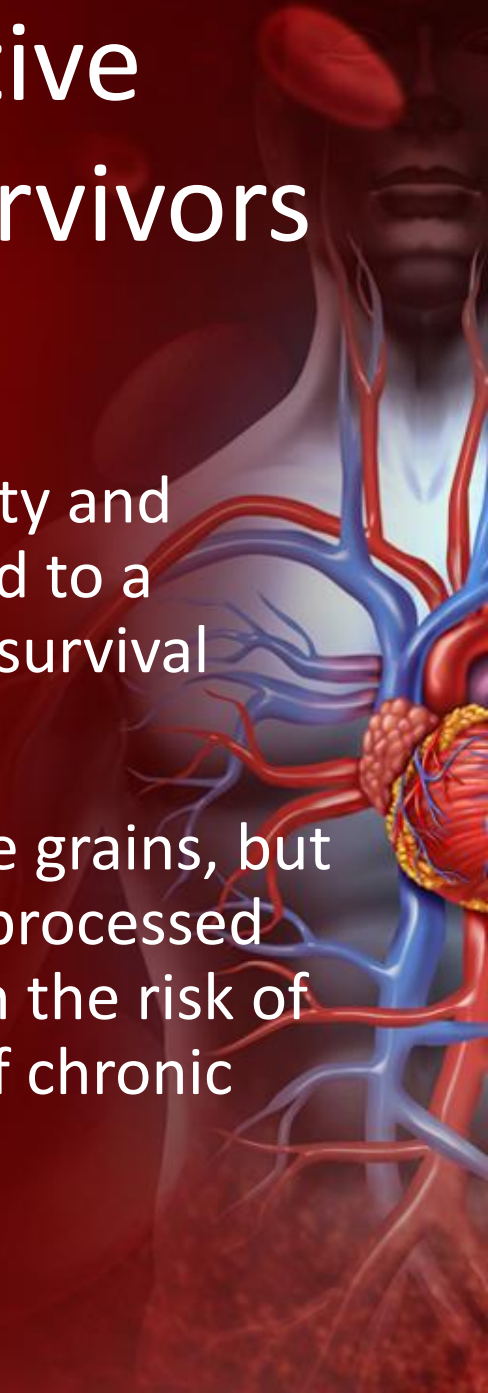
Fig 2. Cumulative incidence of (A) any major cardiovascular event ($P < .001$), (B) coronary artery disease ($P = .002$), (C) heart failure ($P = .028$), and (D) valve replacement ($P = .006$) according to meeting national guidelines for vigorous intensity exercise (ie, < 9 v ≥ 9 metabolic equivalent [MET] hours/week⁻¹).

Exercise Pre Cancer Diagnosis and Cardiovascular Events After Breast Cancer Treatment: WHI

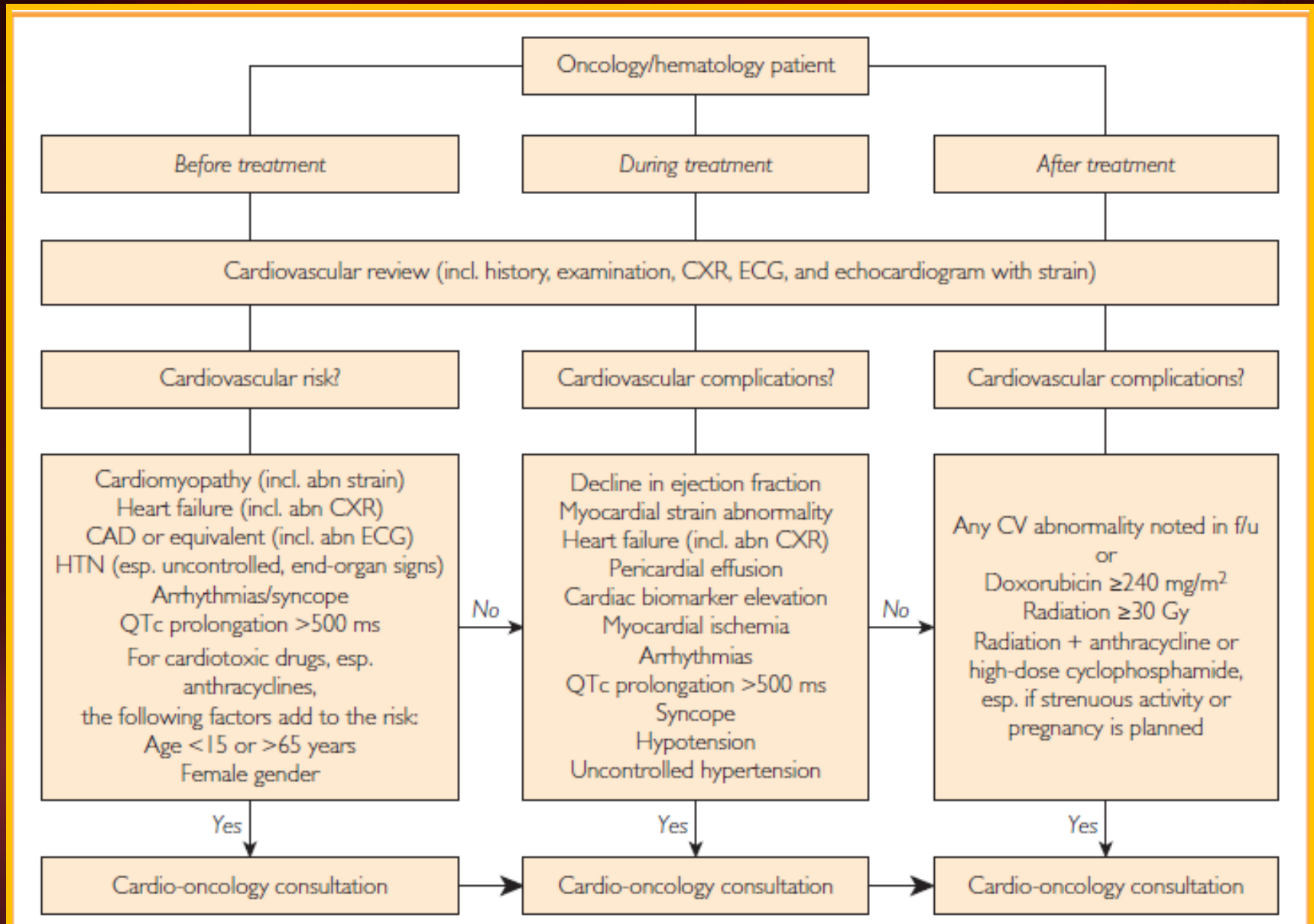
| Based on quartiles in breast cases | | | MET·hrs·wk ⁻¹ | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|--|--------------------|--|
| | Total (N = 4015) | <2.50 (n = 994) | 2.50 to < 8.625 (n = 1008) | 8.625 to <18.00 (n = 1011) | ≥18.00 (n = 1002) | | P _{trend} | |
| Median MET·hrs·wk ⁻¹ | 8.67 | 0.0 | 5.25 | 13.00 | 26.33 | | | |
| Cardiovascular events[†] | | | | | | | | |
| No. of events | 342 | 103 | 88 | 86 | 65 | | | |
| Age-adjusted HR (95% CI) | | Ref | 0.77 (0.58 to 1.03) | 0.75 (0.56 to 0.99) | 0.59 (0.43 to 0.80) | | 0.001 | |
| Multivariable-adjusted HR (95% CI)* | | Ref | 0.80 (0.59 to 1.09) | 0.86 (0.64 to 1.17) | 0.63 (0.45 to 0.88) | | 0.02 | |
| MI | | | | | | | | |
| No. of events | 89 | 25 | 22 | 24 | 18 | | | |
| Age-adjusted HR (95% CI) | | Ref | 0.79 (0.45 to 1.40) | 0.84 (0.48 to 1.48) | 0.67 (0.37 to 1.24) | | 0.26 | |
| Multivariable-adjusted HR (95% CI)* | | Ref | 0.83 (0.44 to 1.53) | 1.05 (0.57 to 1.92) | 0.68 (0.34 to 1.36) | | 0.37 | |
| Heart failure | | | | | | | | |
| No. of events | 49 | 18 | 11 | 12 | 8 | | | |
| Age-adjusted HR (95% CI) | | Ref | 0.58 (0.27 to 1.22) | 0.63 (0.30 to 1.31) | 0.43 (0.19 to 1.00) | | 0.08 | |
| Multivariable-adjusted HR (95% CI)* | | Ref | 0.64 (0.29 to 1.43) | 0.94 (0.43 to 2.04) | 0.57 (0.23 to 1.44) | | 0.37 | |
| Cardiovascular death | | | | | | | | |
| No. of events | 215 | 69 | 54 | 45 | 47 | | | |
| Age-adjusted HR (95% CI) | | Ref | 0.68 (0.47 to 0.98) | 0.56 (0.38 to 0.82) | 0.62 (0.43 to 0.90) | | 0.02 | |
| Multivariable-adjusted HR (95% CI)* | | Ref | 0.73 (0.50 to 1.06) | 0.60 (0.40 to 0.90) | 0.69 (0.46 to 1.04) | | 0.11 | |
| CHD death | | | | | | | | |
| No. of events | 96 | 36 | 25 | 19 | 16 | | | |
| Age-adjusted HR (95% CI) | | Ref | 0.59 (0.36 to 0.99) | 0.45 (0.26 to 0.79) | 0.40 (0.22 to 0.72) | | 0.003 | |
| Multivariable-adjusted HR (95% CI)* | | Ref | 0.65 (0.38 to 1.10) | 0.46 (0.25 to 0.83) | 0.41 (0.21 to 0.78) | | 0.006 | |

Cardiovascular Preventive Interventions in Cancer Survivors

- Obesity
 - Numerous studies have shown that obesity and weight gain in breast cancer survivors lead to a greater risk of recurrence and decreased survival
- Diet:
 - A diet rich in fruits, vegetables, and whole grains, but contains limited amounts of fat, red and processed meat, and simple sugars may reduce both the risk of developing second cancers and the risk of chronic diseases (including heart disease)
- Smoking Cessation



WHEN TO REFER TO CARDIO-ONCOLOGY



ABCDE Steps to Prevent Heart Disease in Breast Cancer Survivors

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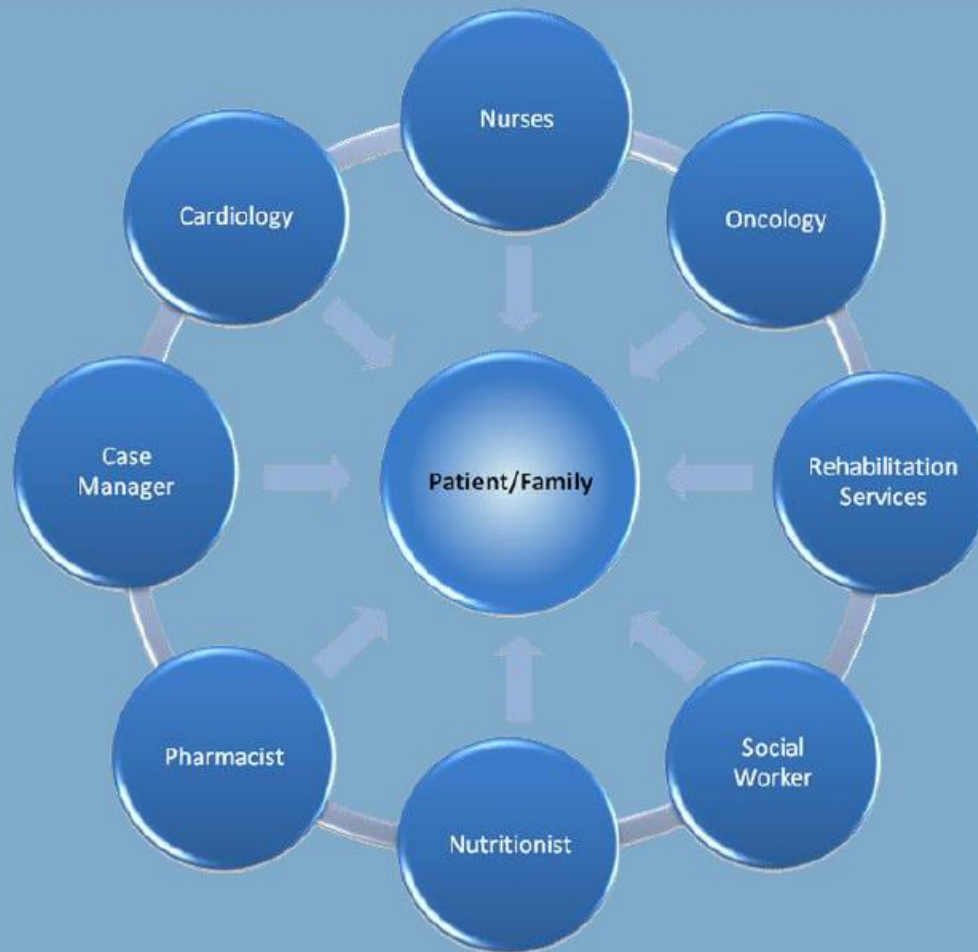
Table. ABCDEs to Prevent Heart Disease in Breast Cancer Survivors

| ABCDE | ABCDEs |
|-------|---|
| A | Awareness of risks of heart disease Aspirin |
| B | Blood Pressure |
| C | Cholesterol Cigarette/Tobacco cessation |
| D | Diet and weight management Dose of chemotherapy or radiation Diabetes mellitus prevention/ treatment |
| E | Exercise Echocardiogram |



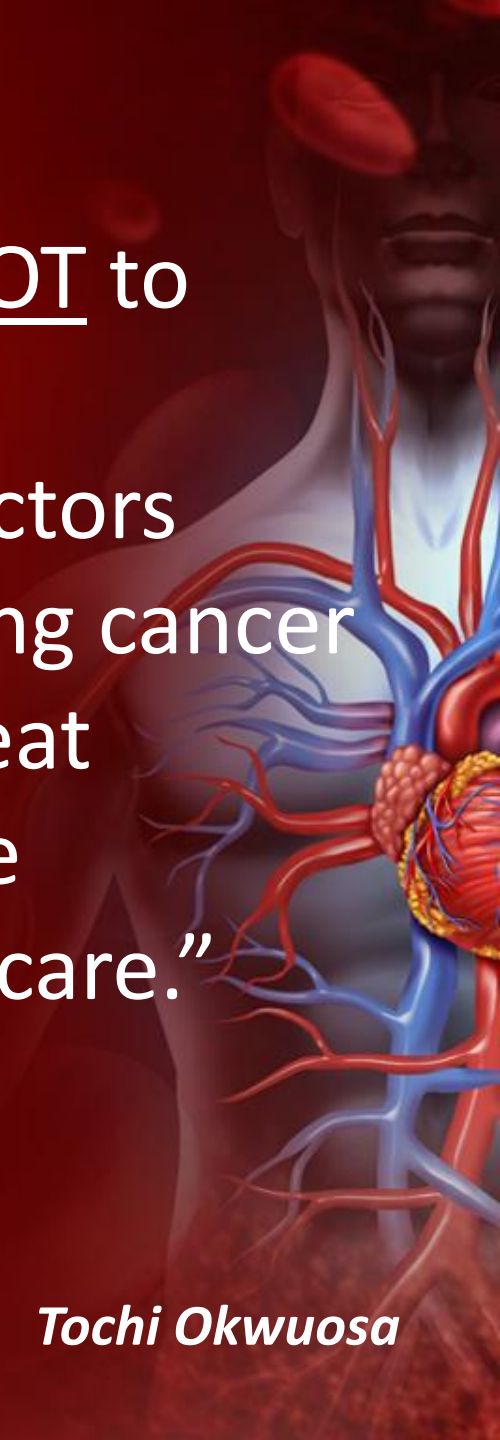
Cardio-Oncology Program: Cardiovascular Disease in Cancer Patients

GOALS: **TEAMWORK** **COLLABORATION** **IMPROVE OUTCOMES** **DEVELOP GUIDELINES**



“The aim of Cardio Oncology is NOT to prevent cancer patients with cardiovascular disease and risk factors from receiving necessary life-saving cancer therapy, but to prevent and/or treat cardiac disease as best as possible ALONGSIDE their cancer therapy/care.”

Tochi Okwuosa



Future Directions

- Identification of persons at risk for cardiotoxicity
 - Age, sex, prior use of cardiotoxic agents, CV risk factors
 - ?Role of genetics
- Identification of markers of chemotherapy-induced cardiotoxicity
 - Strain imaging, Troponin-I, maybe BNP
 - ?Galectin-3, myeloperoxidase, other markers
- Medications for cardiotoxicity
 - Based on markers
 - ?Prophylactic



Future Directions

- Screening for cardiotoxicity in survivors:
 - ?modality, frequency
 - Echo, strain,
 - ?Based on symptoms, risk score
 - ?Stress testing, CAC in radiation therapy
- Studies on other cardiotoxic agents?
 - TKIs, VEGF inhibitors, monoclonal antibodies, antimetabolites, etc...
- Hormonal Therapy:
 - Meta-analysis of patient studies evaluating differences in cardiovascular risk

