

# Advanced Heart Failure Therapies 2017: Diuretics to LVAD and Everything in Between

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# Outline

- Definition and Prevalence of Heart Failure
- Progression of Disease
- HF Risk Stratification
- Advanced Therapies
  - Inotrope
  - LVAD
  - Transplant



# Heart Failure Prevalence

- Heart failure affects over 5.3M patients in the United States <sup>1</sup>
- 300,000-800,000 Americans have advanced heart failure, defined as patients with left ventricular systolic dysfunction experiencing symptoms limiting daily activity with poor exercise capacity, despite maximal therapy <sup>2</sup>
- It is difficult to determine when stable Class III will progress to advanced staged heart failure, Class IV <sup>3</sup>
- Over 280,000 patients die of heart failure each year <sup>1</sup>

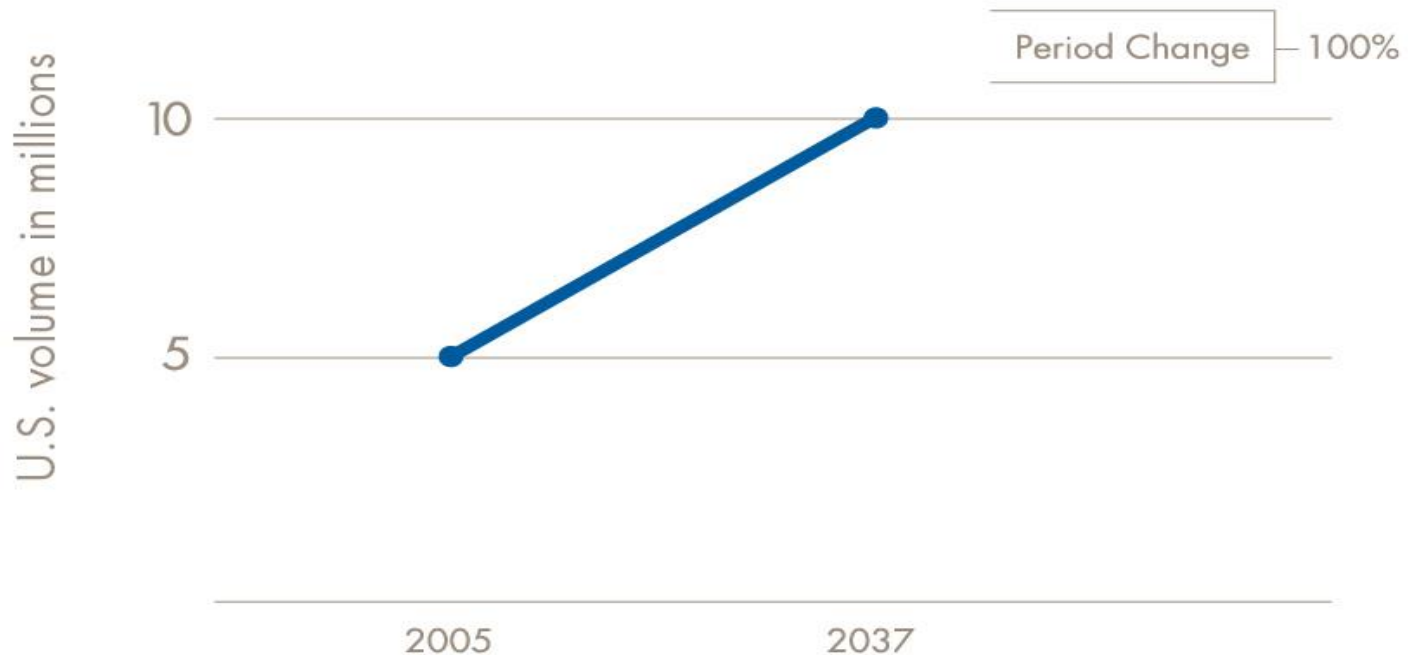
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# Heart Failure Expected to Become More Common as Population Ages

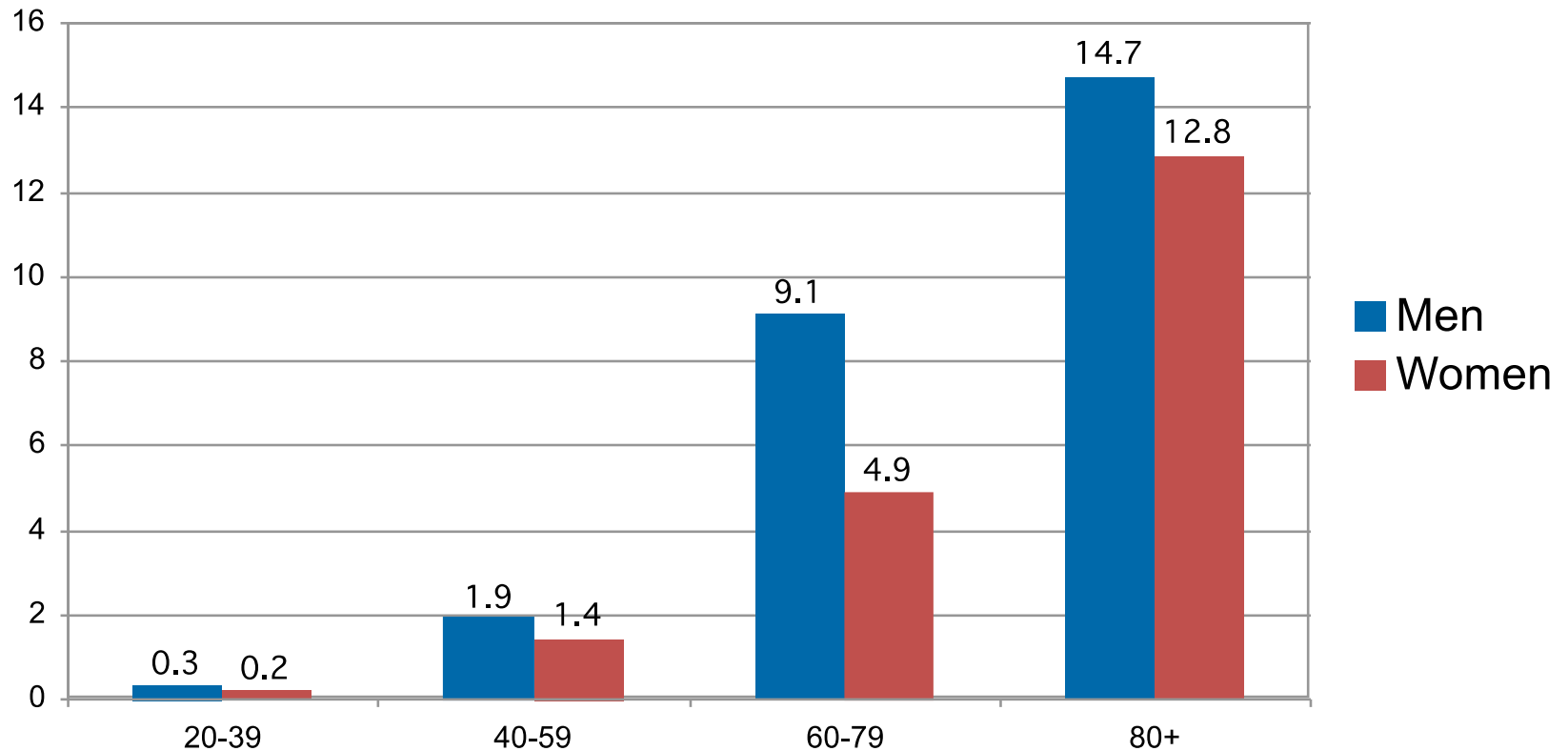
## Heart Failure Prevalence Projections



Outlook for Heart Failure: Five-year Technology and Business Assessment. The Advisory Board; 2007.

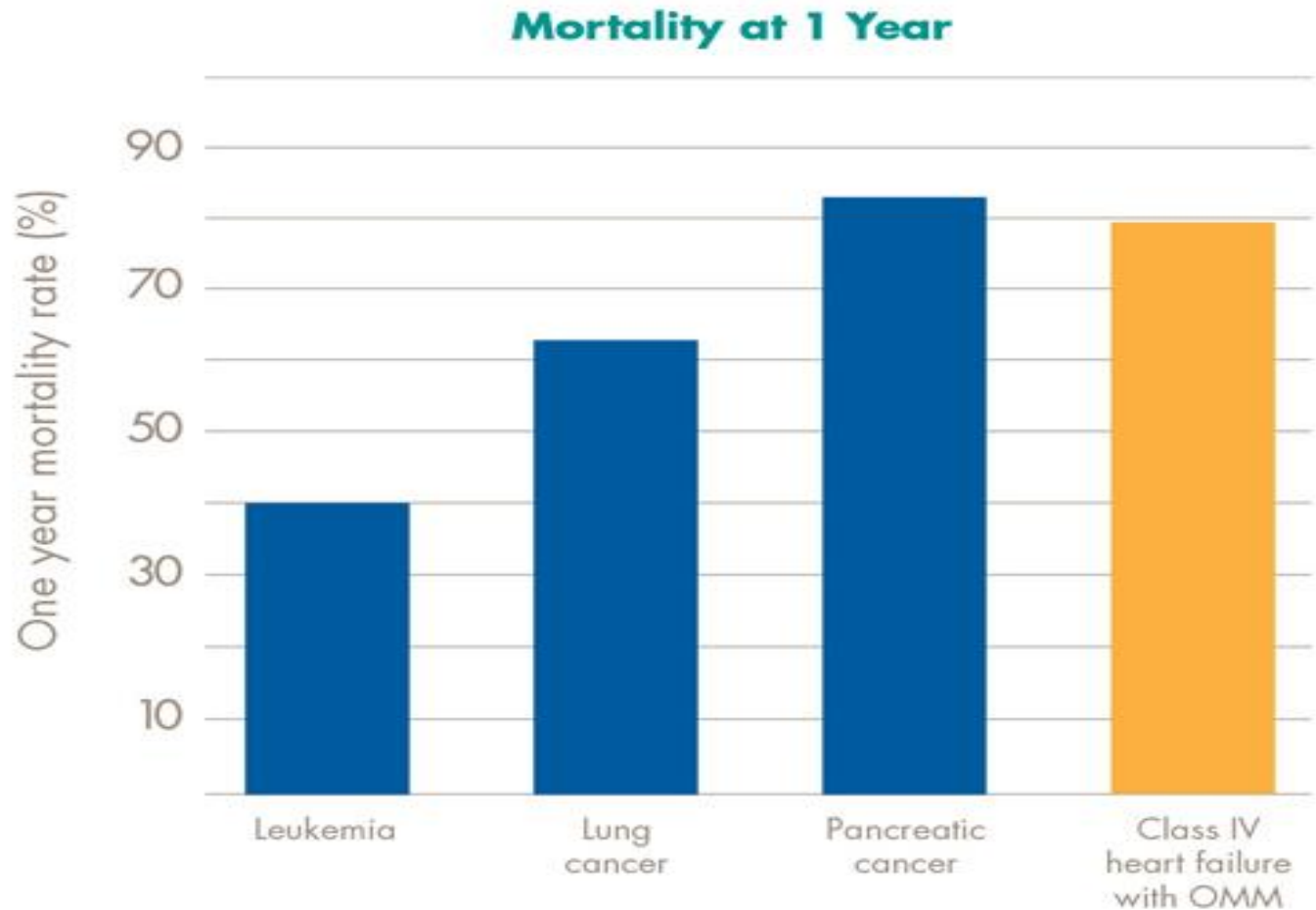
# Heart Failure Prevalence Increases with Age

PREVALENCE OF HEART FAILURE BY AGE AND SEX



Heart Failure Statistics. American Heart Association Web site. <http://www.americanheart.org/presenter.jhtml?identifier=1200026>. Accessed January 12, 2010.

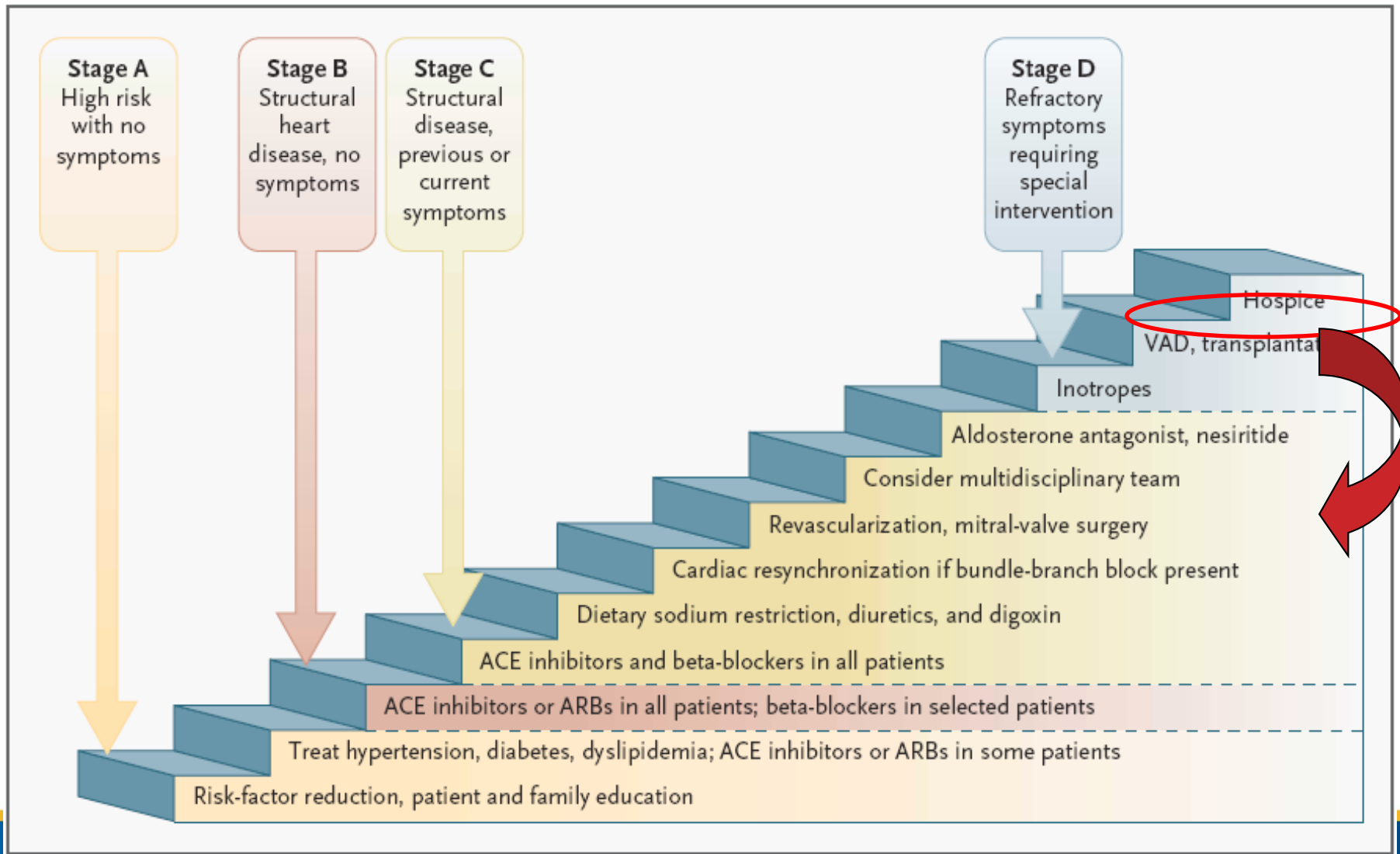
# Projected Mortality for Advanced Heart Failure Exceeds Other Terminal Diseases



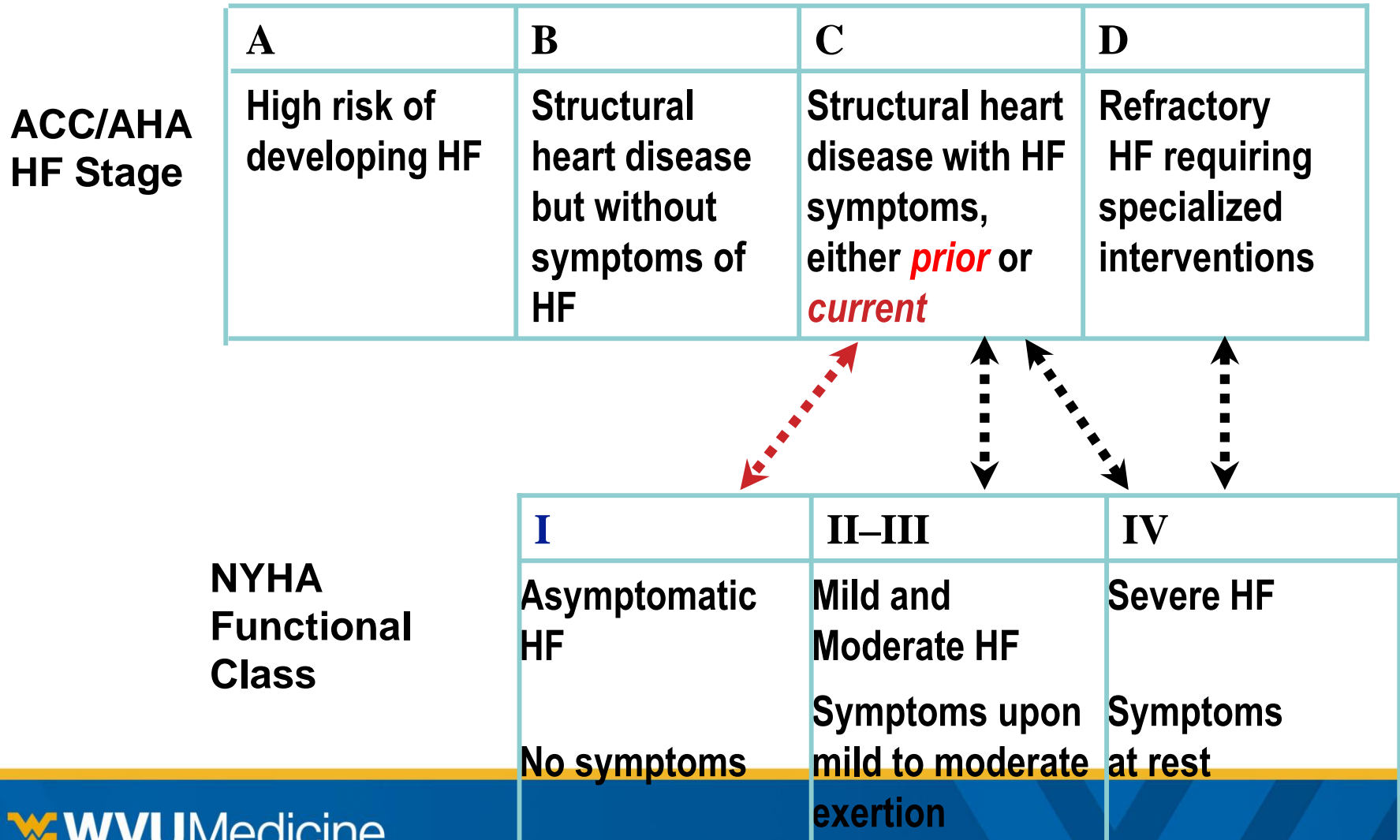
# How do we define End Stage Heart Failure?



# ACC/AHA Staging of Heart Failure



# Classification of HF: Comparison Between ACC/AHA HF Stage and NYHA Functional Class



Review

Advanced chronic heart failure: A position statement from the Study Group on Advanced Heart Failure of the Heart Failure Association of the European Society of Cardiology

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# HFA/ESC: Advanced Heart Failure

1. Severe symptoms of HF with dyspnoea and/or fatigue at rest or with minimal exertion (NYHA functional class III or IV)
2. Episodes of fluid retention (pulmonary and/or systemic congestion, peripheral oedema) and/or of reduced cardiac output at rest (peripheral hypoperfusion)
3. Objective evidence of severe cardiac dysfunction, shown by at least one of the following:
  - a) A low LVEF (<30%),
  - b) A severe abnormality of cardiac function on Doppler-echocardiography with a pseudonormal or restrictive mitral inflow pattern [5];
  - c) High LV filling pressures (mean PCWP > 16 mm Hg, and/or mean RAP > 12 mm Hg by pulmonary artery catheterisation) [6],
  - d) High BNP or NT-ProBNP plasma levels, in the absence of non-cardiac causes.

# HFA/ESC: Advanced Heart Failure

4. Severe impairment of functional capacity shown by one of the following:
  - a) Inability to exercise,
  - b) 6-MWT distance  $< 300$  m [7] or less in females and/or patients aged  $\geq 75$  years [8]
  - c) peak  $\text{VO}_2 < 12$  to  $14$  ml/kg/min [9,10]
5. History of  $\geq 1$  HF hospitalisation in the past 6 months
6. Presence of all the previous features despite “attempts to optimise” therapy including diuretics, inhibitors of the renin–angiotensin–aldosterone system, and beta-blockers, unless these are poorly tolerated or contraindicated, and CRT, when indicated.

# HF RISK STRATIFICATION

# Characteristics of who dies with heart failure and a low EF

- All patients seen in HF clinic between 1/1/2000 and 10/20/2003 who subsequently died
- 160 pts
- 80 died as outpatients
- 21% died suddenly

# Death with HF

	All deaths (n=160)	Outpt deaths (n=80)	Inpt deaths (n=80)
<b>Medications</b>			
ACE-I (%)	55	58	53
ACE intolerant (%)	35	34	36
ARB (%)	7	5	9
Loop diuretic (%)	91	90	92
Spironolactone (%)	32	30	34
Beta-blocker (%)	38	34	43
<b>Laboratories</b>			
Na (mmol/L)	135	135	134
BUN (mg/dL)	62	52	69
Cr (mg/dL)	2.2	2.1	2.4
<b>Hospitalized - past 6 mos (%)</b>			
0	26	26	27
1	32	38	27
2+	42	37	46



# Death with HF

Characteristic	All deaths (n=160)	Outpt deaths (n=80)	Inpt deaths (n=80)
CHF clinic (mos)	24.7	23.1	26.6
CHF duration (yrs)	5.0	4.6	5.4
Age (yrs)	59.9	57.9	61.1
Male (%)	74	75	74
NYHA III (%)	14	13	14
NYHA IV (%)	79	74	83
ICD (%)	37	30	46
CRT (%)	5	7	5
EF (%)	20	22	19

# Worrisome signals

- Symptoms
  - Refractory
  - At rest
- Recurrent admissions
- Medications
  - Intolerance or lower doses
    - ACE-I/ARBs
    - Beta blockers
  - Increasing diuretic doses
- Hypotension
- Laboratory
  - Renal insufficiency
  - Hepatic dysfunction
  - Hyponatremia
- Pulmonary Hypertension
- RV dysfunction
- Unresponsiveness to CRT
- Inotropes

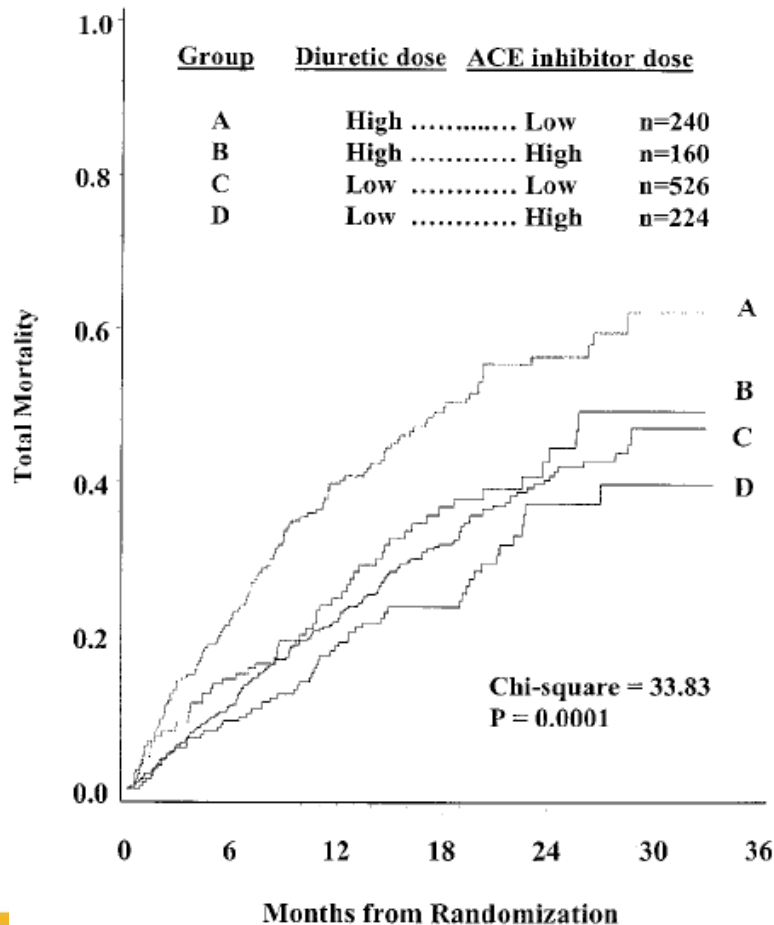
# Inpatient risk studies

Author	n	Risk Factors	Survival (%) 1 year
Chin	257	BP < 100, DM, non sinus rhythm	
Alla	301	HR >100, Na < 134, Cr > 2.0, Age > 70, prior hosp	57.6
Cowie	220	Age, crackles, low BP, elevated Cr	62
Jong	38,702	Male, age, malignancy, renal, dementia, cerebrovasc dz, rheum, PVD, or pulmonary, ischemic etiology, DM	66.9
Bouvy	152	DM, Cr, NYHA III/IV, low BMI, low BP, edema	
Lee	4031	Age, low BP, high RR, high BUN, low Na	69.5
Kittleson	259	No ACE, low BP, low Na, Cr	
Felker	949	Age, low BP, NYHA IV, high BUN, low Na	
Fonarow	37,772	BUN > 43, SBP < 115, Cr > 2.75	
Rector	769	Age, low BP, low Hgb, low Na, high BUN	50
Rohde	779	SBP < 124, Cr > 1.4, BUN > 37, Na < 136, age > 70	

# Outpatient Risk Studies

Study	n	Markers
Mahon	585	CrCl, 6MW < 262, low EF, recent admit, diuretic dose
Eshaghian	1354	Low EF, low Na, low Hg, high BUN/Cr, diuretic dose
Greenberg	4280	NYHA III/IV, HF admit, angina
Levy	1125	Diuretic dose, low BP, % lymph, Hgb < 16, ischemic CM, EF, low cholesterol, high uric acid/allopurinol, Na < 138, NYHA, age, male sex
Teuteberg	160	High BUN/Cr, low Na, low Hct, recent admit, no ACE/BB

# Diuretic Doses



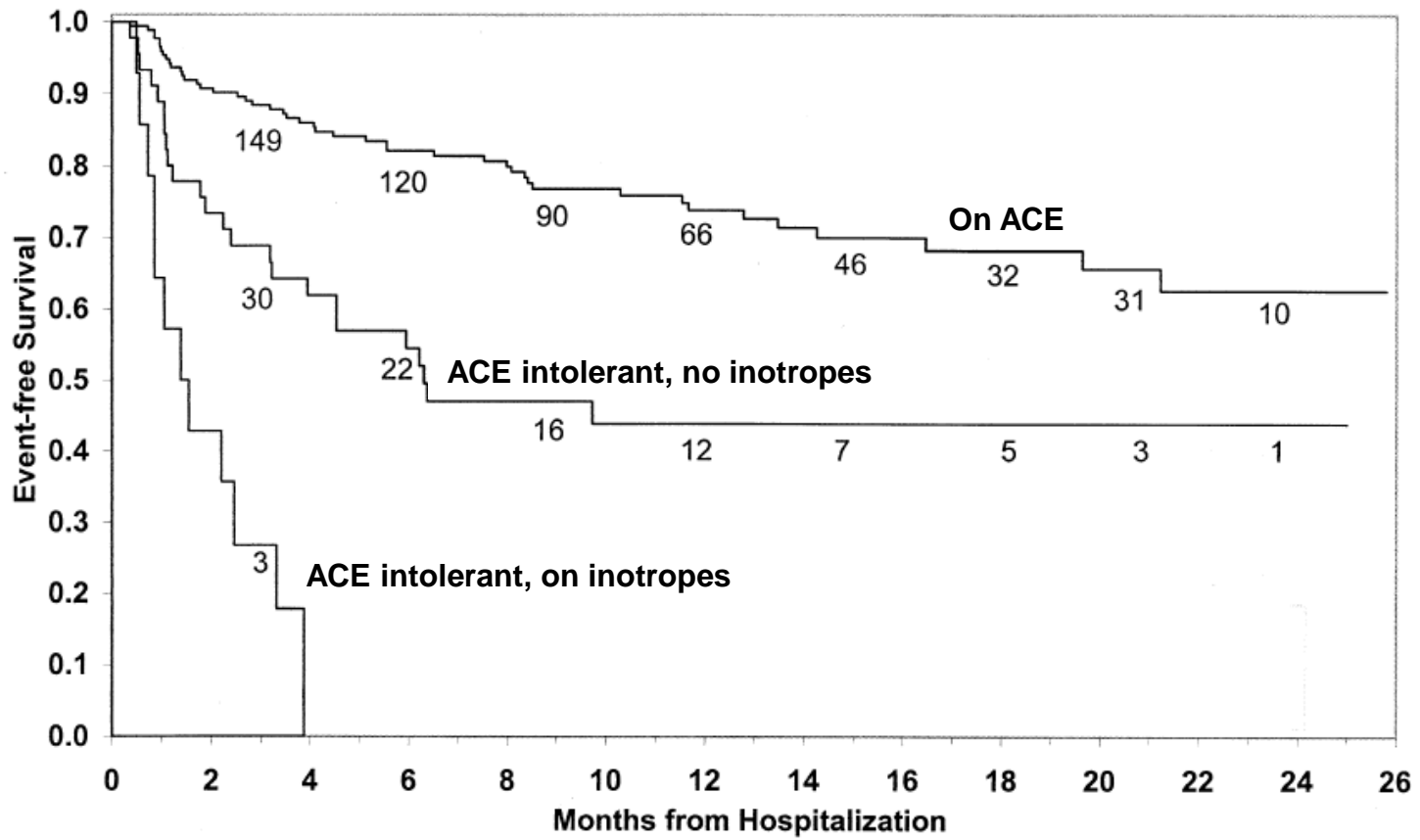
## Diuretic

- High
  - Lasix > 80 mg/d
  - Bumex > 2 mg/d

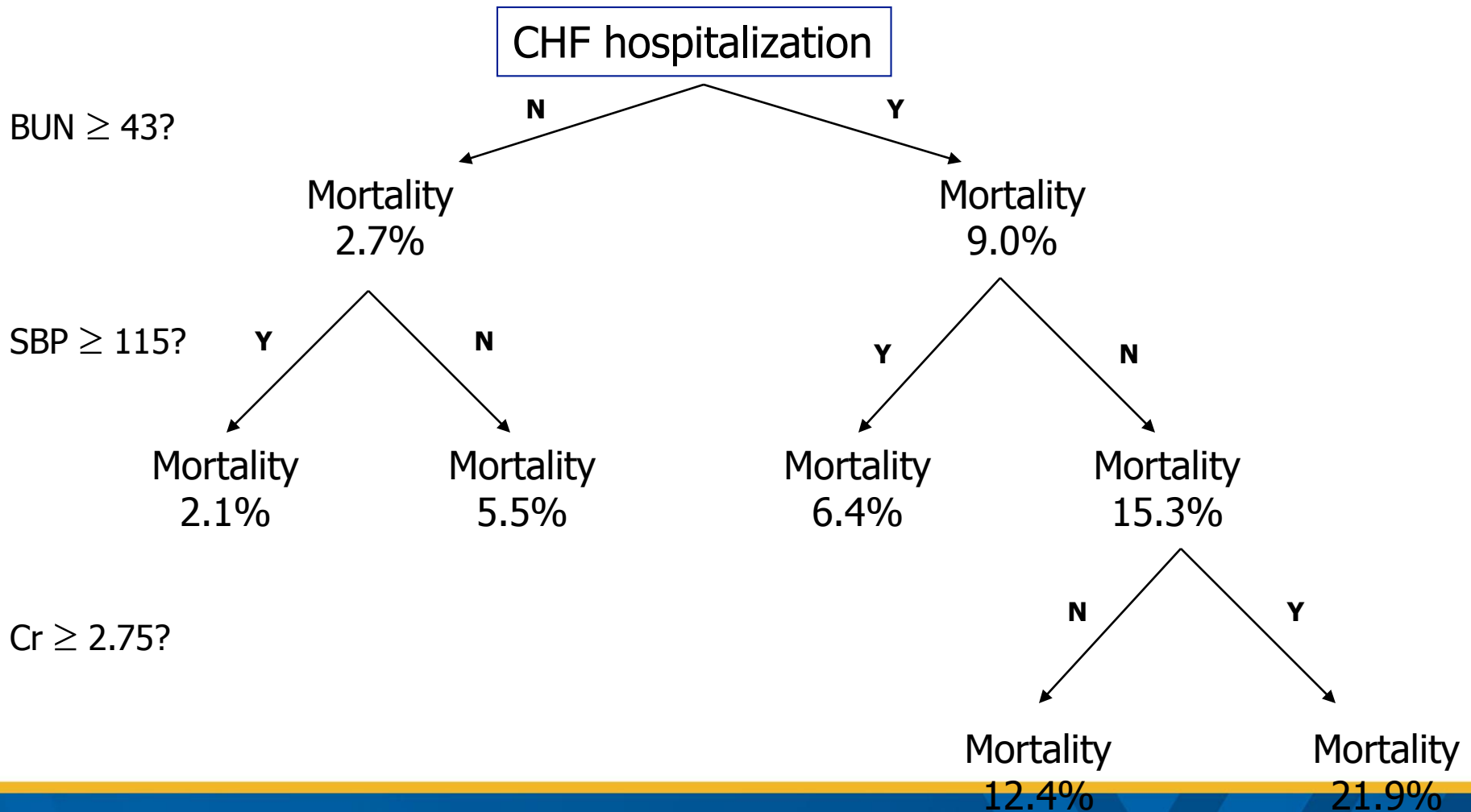
## ACE inhibitor

- High
  - Captopril > 75 mg/d
  - Enalapril > 10 mg/d
  - Lisinopril > 10 mg/d

# Intolerance of ACE



# Renal function – ADHERE registry



# Advanced Therapies

- Define and explain advanced therapies including:
  - Inotrope
  - LVAD
  - Transplant
- Who is a candidate for advanced therapies
- What is the right time for advanced therapies



# Inotrope Therapy

- What is the indication
- What is the outcome
- Long term risk vs Short term gain
- Monitoring Parameters
- Palliative care

# Pharmacotherapy

## Vasodilators

- Nitroglycerin
- Nesiritide
- Nitroprusside

## Inotropes

- dobutamine
- milrinone
- isoproterenol

## Vasopressors

- dopamine
- norepinephrine
- phenylephrine
- epinephrine
- vasopressin

# Inotropes

- Dobutamine
- Milrinone
- Isoproterenol
- *Dopamine*
- *Norepinephrine*
- *Epinephrine*

# Receptor Pharmacology

	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2$	$\beta_1$	$\beta_2$	DA
Dobutamine					
2-10 mcg/kg/min	+	0	+++++	++	0
10-20 mcg/kg/min	++	0	+++++	+++	0
Milrinone					
0.25-1 mcg/kg/min	0	0	+++++ - "like"	+++ - "like"	0
Isoproterenol					
1-10 mcg/min	0	0	+++++	+++++	0

# Hemodynamic Comparison

	HR	MAP	CI	SVR	PCWP
Dobutamine	↔ ↑	↓ ↑	↑	↔ ↓	↔ ↓
Milrinone	↔ ↑	↔ ↓	↑	↓	↓
Isoproterenol	↑	↔ ↓	↑	↓	↓

# Dobutamine

- ↑ myocardial contractility and vasodilation
- Initial agent of choice for cardiogenic shock in pts w/ systolic BP > 80 mm Hg

# Dobutamine

- Short half-life
- Greater  $\uparrow$  CO & less arrhythmogenic than dopamine
- May exacerbate hypotension and tachydysrhythmias

# Milrinone

- Phosphodiesterase inhibitor (↑ contractility and vasodilation)
- Reserved when other agents ineffective for cardiogenic shock
- Usually given without bolus



# Milrinone

- Longer half-life
- May exacerbate hypotension and tachydysrhythmias
- Renal elimination
- Consider if patient on beta-blocker therapy

# Milrinone: OPTIME-CHF trial

- Purpose
  - evaluate short-term use of milrinone and placebo on hospitalizations for cardiovascular (CV) events
- Design
  - prospective, randomized, double-blind, PC
- Study subjects (n = 949)
  - LVEF < 40%, inotrope/ vasopressor not essential

# Milrinone: OPTIME-CHF trial

- **Outcomes**

- primary: total number of days hospitalized for CV causes within 60 days of randomization
- milrinone vs. placebo: mean 12.3 d vs. 12.5 d
- treatment failure at 48 hrs due to adverse events significantly higher with milrinone vs. placebo

# Utility of Inotropic Therapy

- Continuous support for acute HF
  - palliation of symptoms
  - bridge to transplantation or VAD
  - allow hospital discharge
- Intermittent infusion therapy for chronic HF
  - +/- clinical benefits
  - long-term therapy associated with significant increase in mortality

Uretsky et al. *Circulation* 1990;82:774-80. Cohn JN et al. *N Engl J Med* 1998;339:1810-6.

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Packer M, et al. *N Engl J Med* 1991;325:1468-75. Elis A, et al. *Clin Pharmacol Ther* 1998;63:682-5.

# Adverse Effects/ Monitoring of Inotropes & Vasopressors

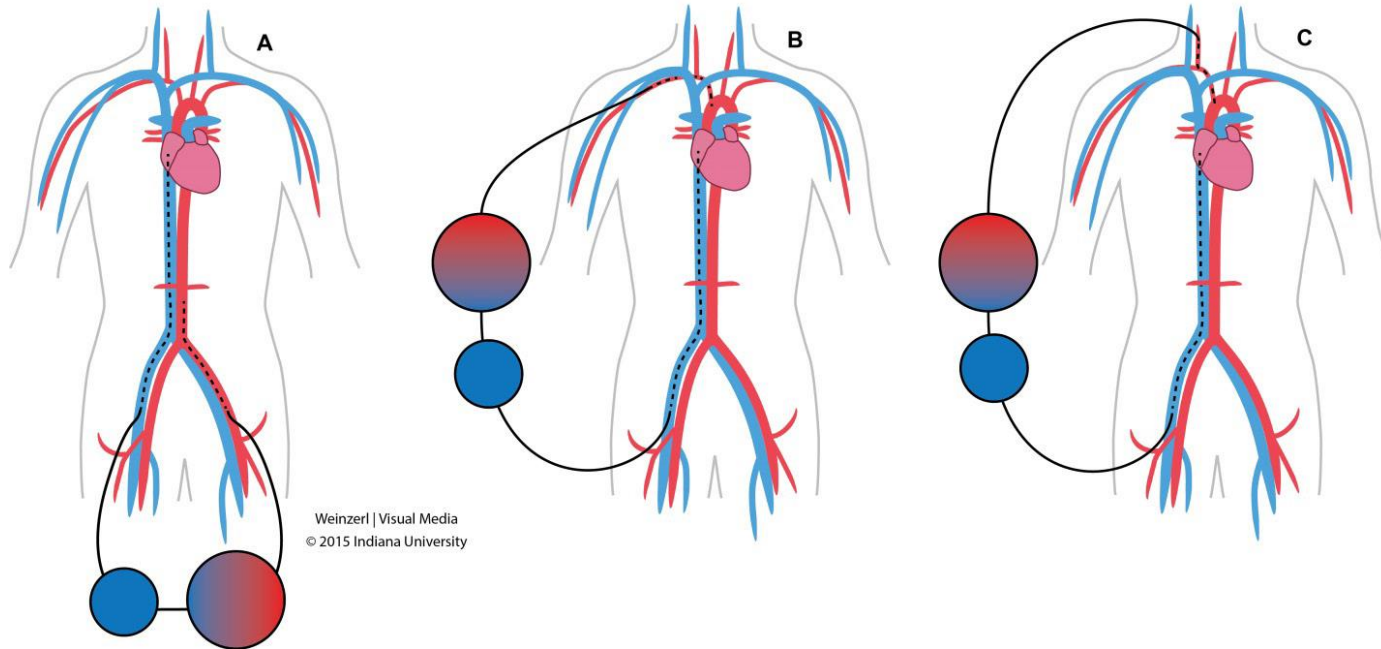
- Arrhythmogenic
- Hypotension (dobutamine, milrinone)
- PICC line/Hickman Catheter site infection
  - Redness/irritation
  - Drainage
  - Fevers/Chills/Sweats
- Worsening Heart Failure
  - Fatigue
  - Dyspnea
  - Increased Tachycardia

# ExtraCorporeal Membrane Oxygenation

- A form of extracorporeal life support where an external artificial circuit carries venous blood from the patient to a gas exchange device (oxygenator) where blood becomes enriched with oxygen and has carbon dioxide removed.
- The blood is then returned to the patient via a central vein or an artery.

# ECMO

Peripheral Veno-arterial ECMO Cannulation Approach



# Ventricular Assist Device (VAD)

- Right and Left Ventricular Assist Devices
- Temporary RVAD and LVAD
- Durable LVAD
- Preoperative risks
- Long term data

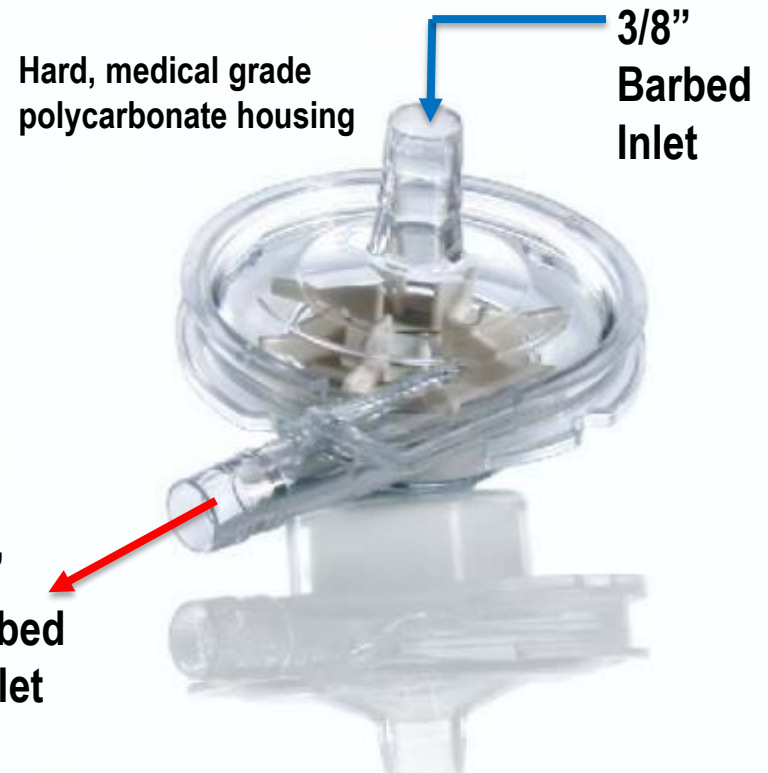


# CENTRIMAG BLOOD PUMP SYSTEM: OVERVIEW

## BLOOD PUMP

### Specifications:

- **Centrifugal Pump**
- **Priming Volume:** 31mL
- **Typical Patient Speed:** 3000-4000 rpm
  - Max Speed Capability: 5500 rpm
- **Max Pump Flow:** 10 LPM
- **Max Pressure:** 600 mmHg
- **No bearings or seals**



CentriMag VAS Patient & Device Management Guidelines  
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# CENTRIMAG 2<sup>ND</sup> GENERATION SYSTEM: OVERVIEW

## 2<sup>ND</sup> GENERATION SYSTEM: REQUIRED THORATEC EQUIPMENT



### Blood Pump

- 31 mL
- Disposable
- Centrifugal
- Fully Magnetically Levitated



### Motor

- Each pump requires a separate motor



### Primary Console

- Each primary console operates one CMag pump



### Monitor

- **Optional** component
- CMag values can be viewed and adjusted in one location

Optional

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2<sup>nd</sup> Generation CentriMag System Operating Manual (US) pg 10-14, 31  
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# CentriMag Blood Pump System: System Overview

The Patient View\*

**LV SUPPORT:**  
Indicated for  
extracorporeal  
support for up  
to 6 hours.

**RV SUPPORT:**  
Indicated for  
extracorporeal  
support for up  
to 6 hours.

**RVAD:**  
HDE for use as a  
temporary RVAD  
for patients in  
cardiogenic  
shock due to  
acute right heart  
failure for up to  
30 days.+

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+ For details see page 6 of this  
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# Ventricular Assist Device Innovation

- Pulsatile Flow
- Valves
- Mechanical bearings

1<sup>st</sup> Generation



FDA Approved  
BTT 1998  
DT 2002

Bearings

- Continuous Flow
- Axial Design
- Bearing with mechanical pivot

2<sup>nd</sup> Generation



FDA Approved  
BTT 2008  
DT 2010

Bearings with stator

- Continuous Flow
- Centrifugal Design
- Noncontact bearing design

3<sup>rd</sup> Generation

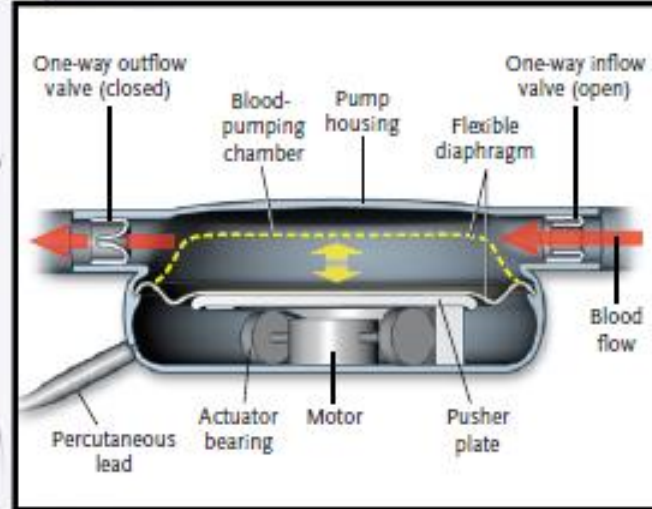
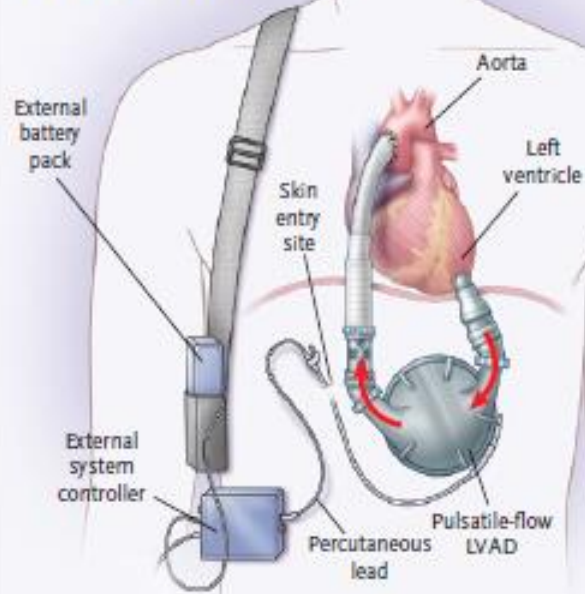


FDA Approved  
BTT 2012  
DT Investigational

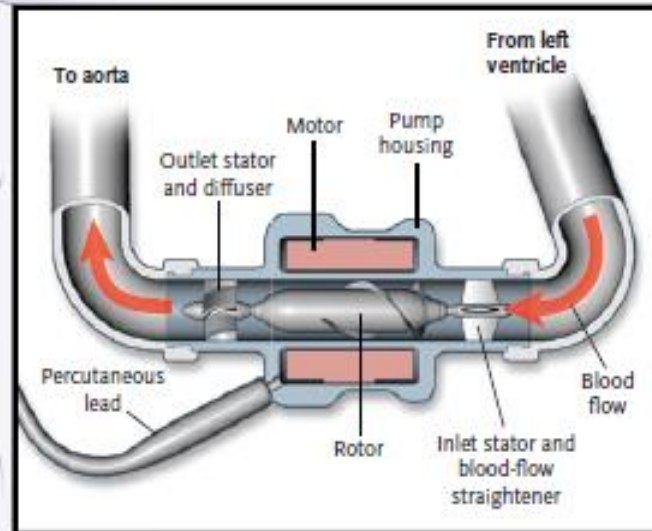
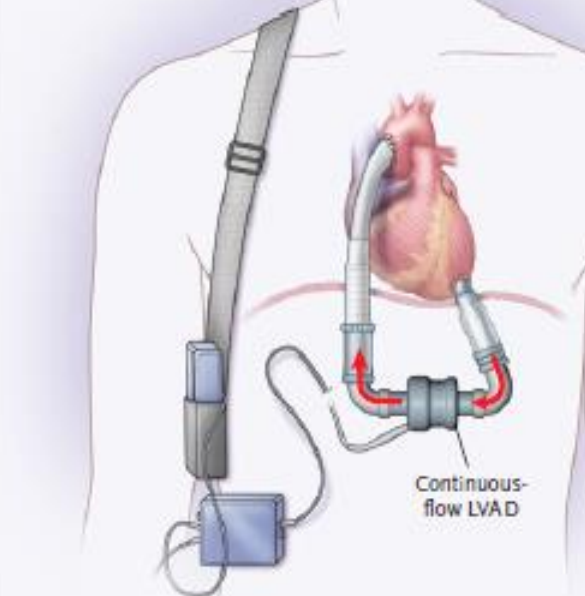
Bearingless with  
magnetic and  
hydrodynamic levitation

- Minaturization
- Durability

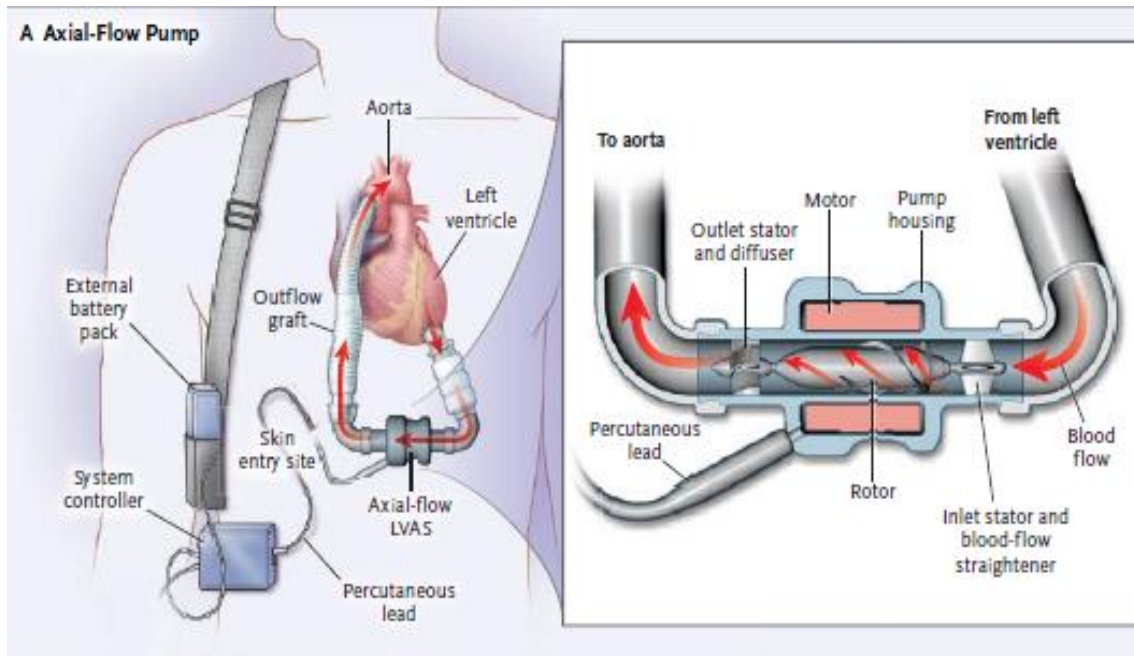
### A Pulsatile-Flow LVAD



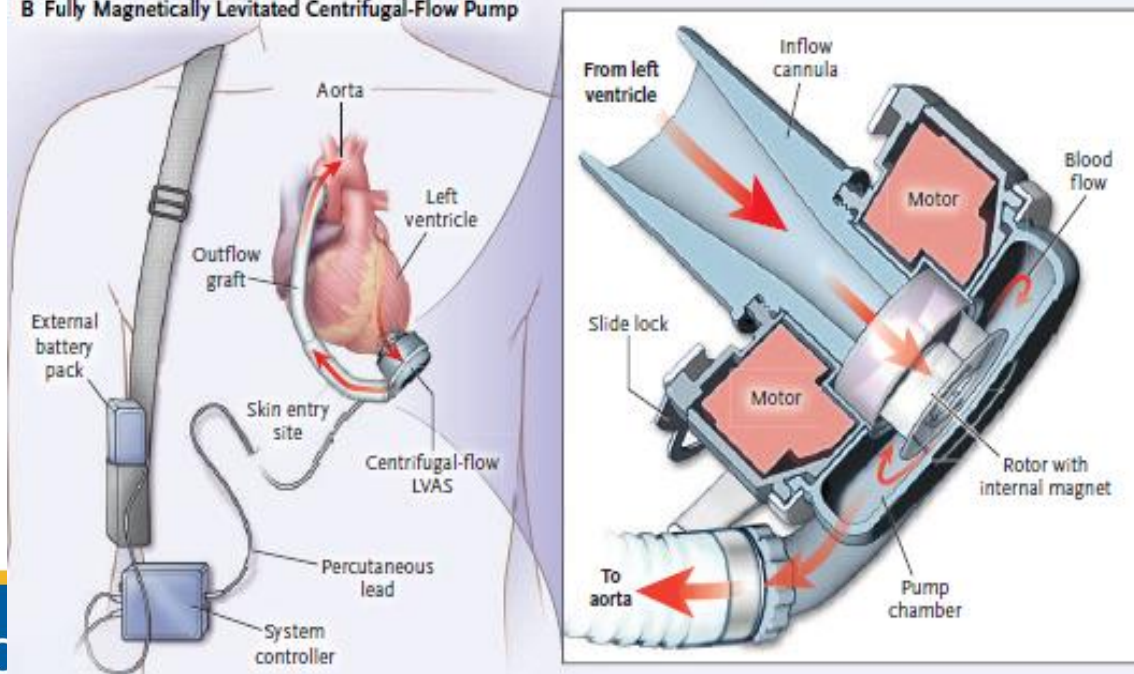
### B Continuous-Flow LVAD



### A Axial-Flow Pump

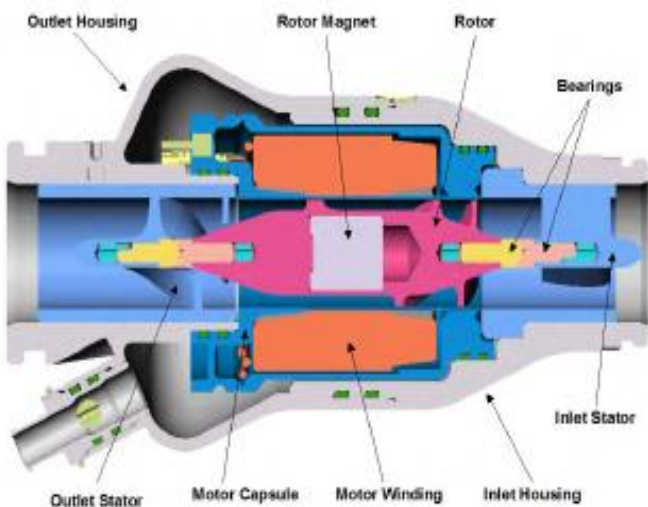


### B Fully Magnetically Levitated Centrifugal-Flow Pump



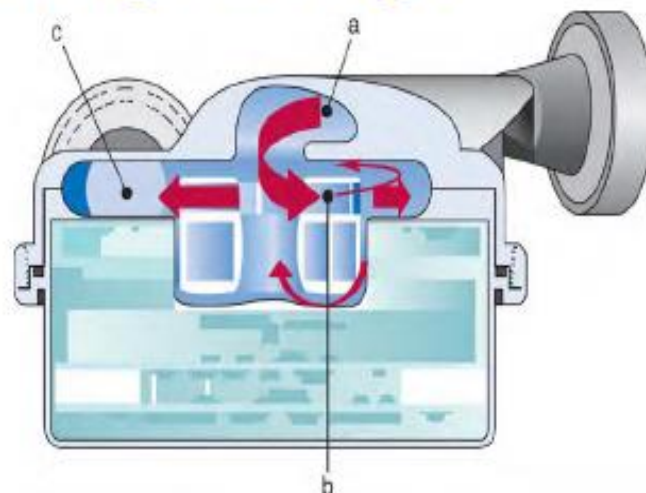
# Continuous Flow Rotary Pumps

## Axial versus Centrifugal Design



### Axial Flow Pump

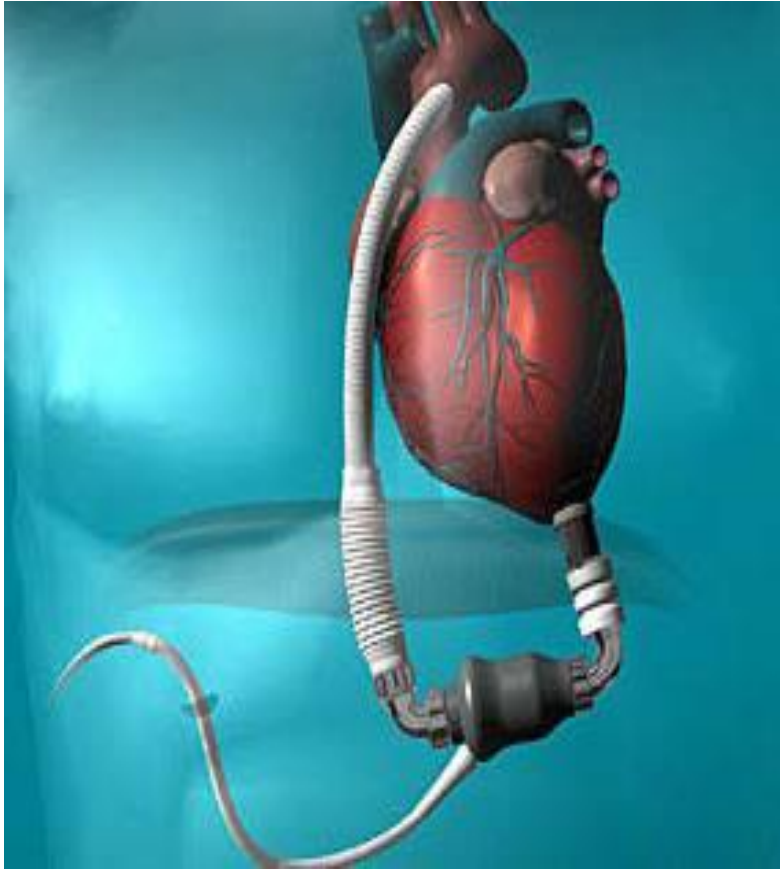
- Flow along the axis of symmetry
- Mechanical pivot – 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation pumps



### Centrifugal Flow Pump

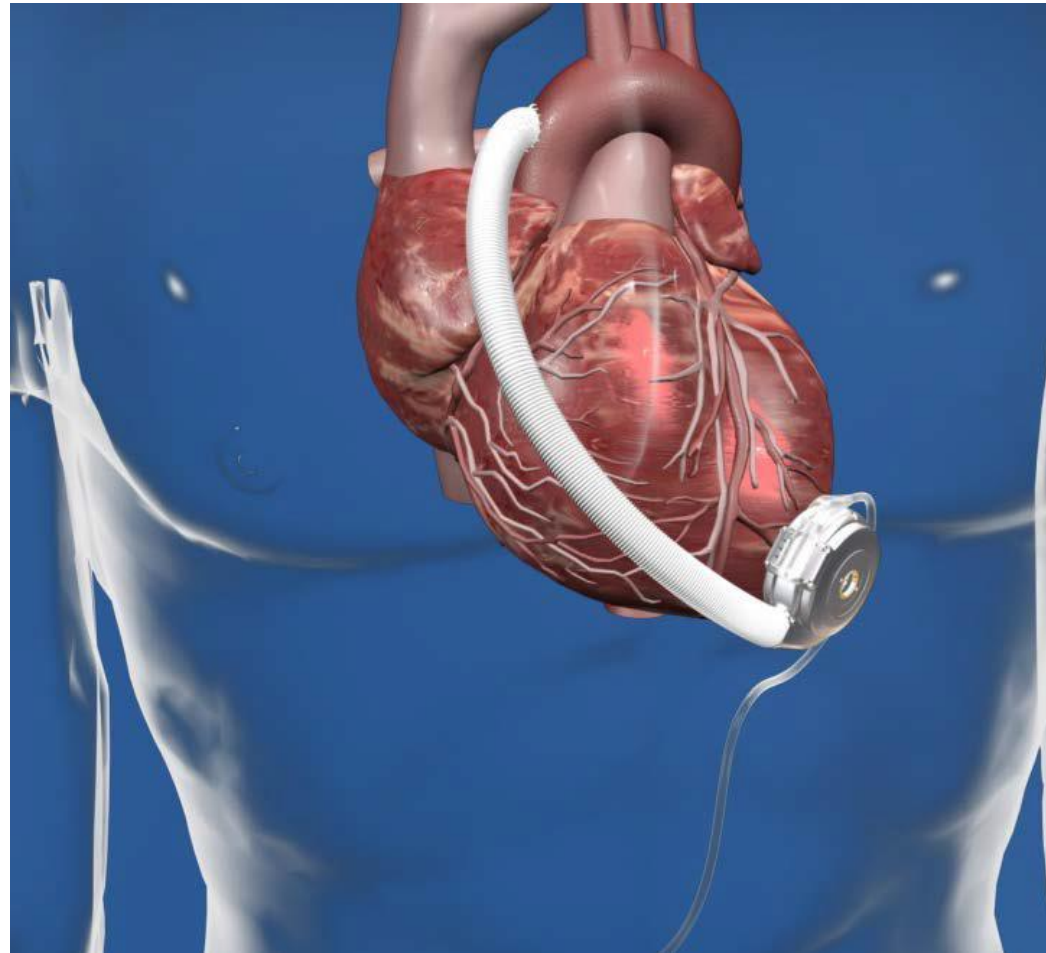
- Blood enters near to the rotating axis and flows radially outward
- Impeller suspended by hydrodynamic or magnetic forces – 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation pumps

## HM2



- Continuous flow axial pump
- Sub-diaphragmatic placement
  - FDA approved for BTT in 2008, DT in 2010

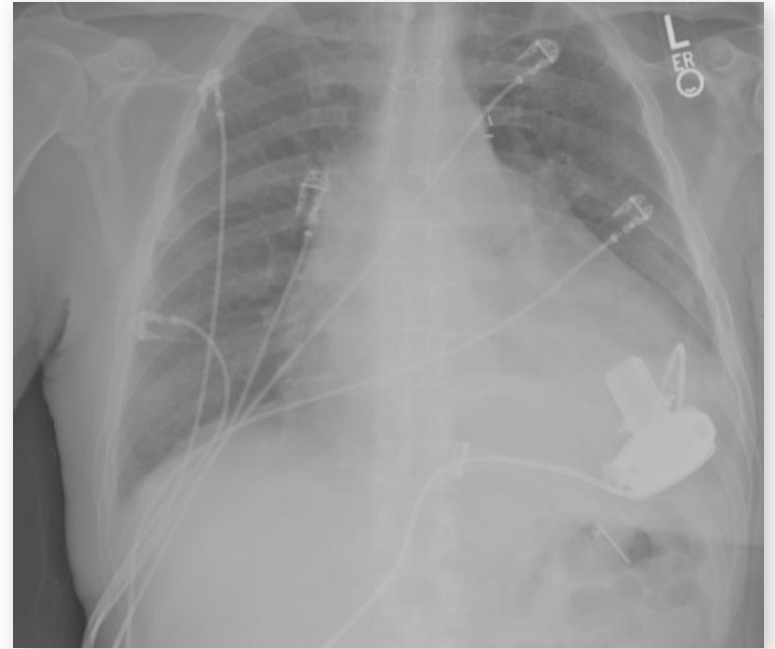
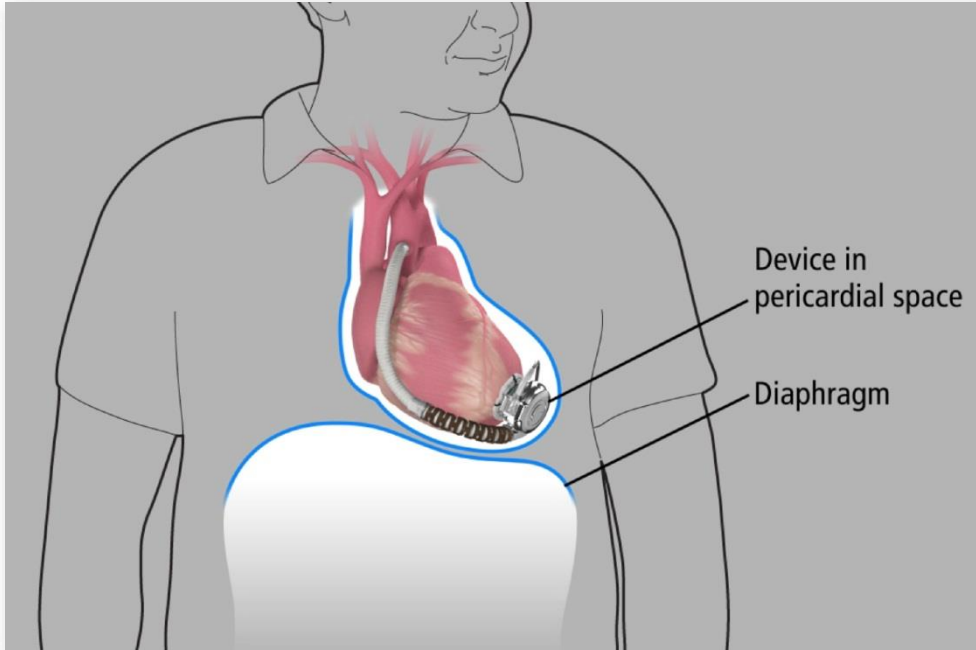
## HVAD



- Continuous flow centrifugal HVAD® Pump
- Pericardial placement
  - FDA approved for BTT in 2012



# Pericardial Placement



# Risk Factors Associated with Poor Outcomes

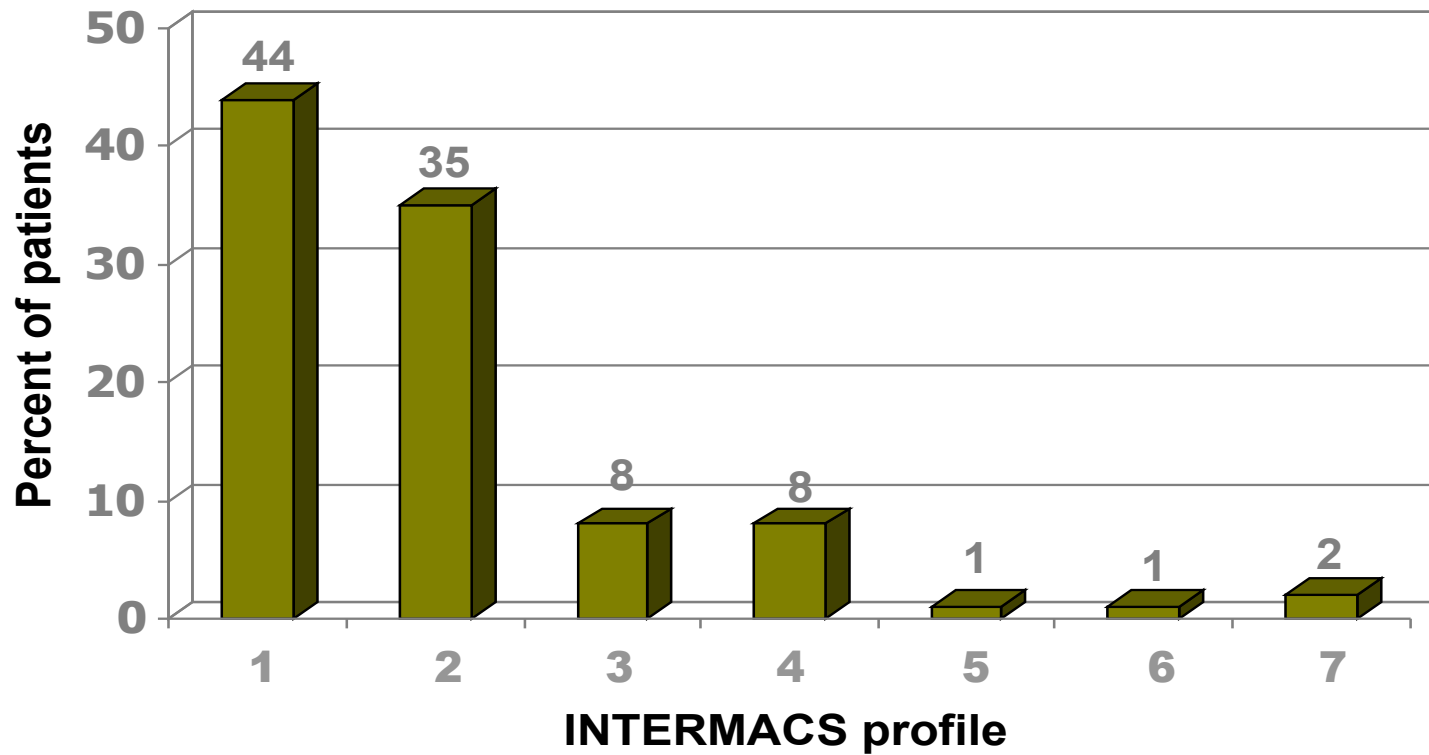
- Chronic RV dysfunction
  - Moderate to severe chronic malnutrition, cardiac cachexia
  - Moderate to severe liver disease
  - Moderate to severe renal dysfunction
- Extreme obesity
- Severe chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
- History of noncompliance

# INTERMACS

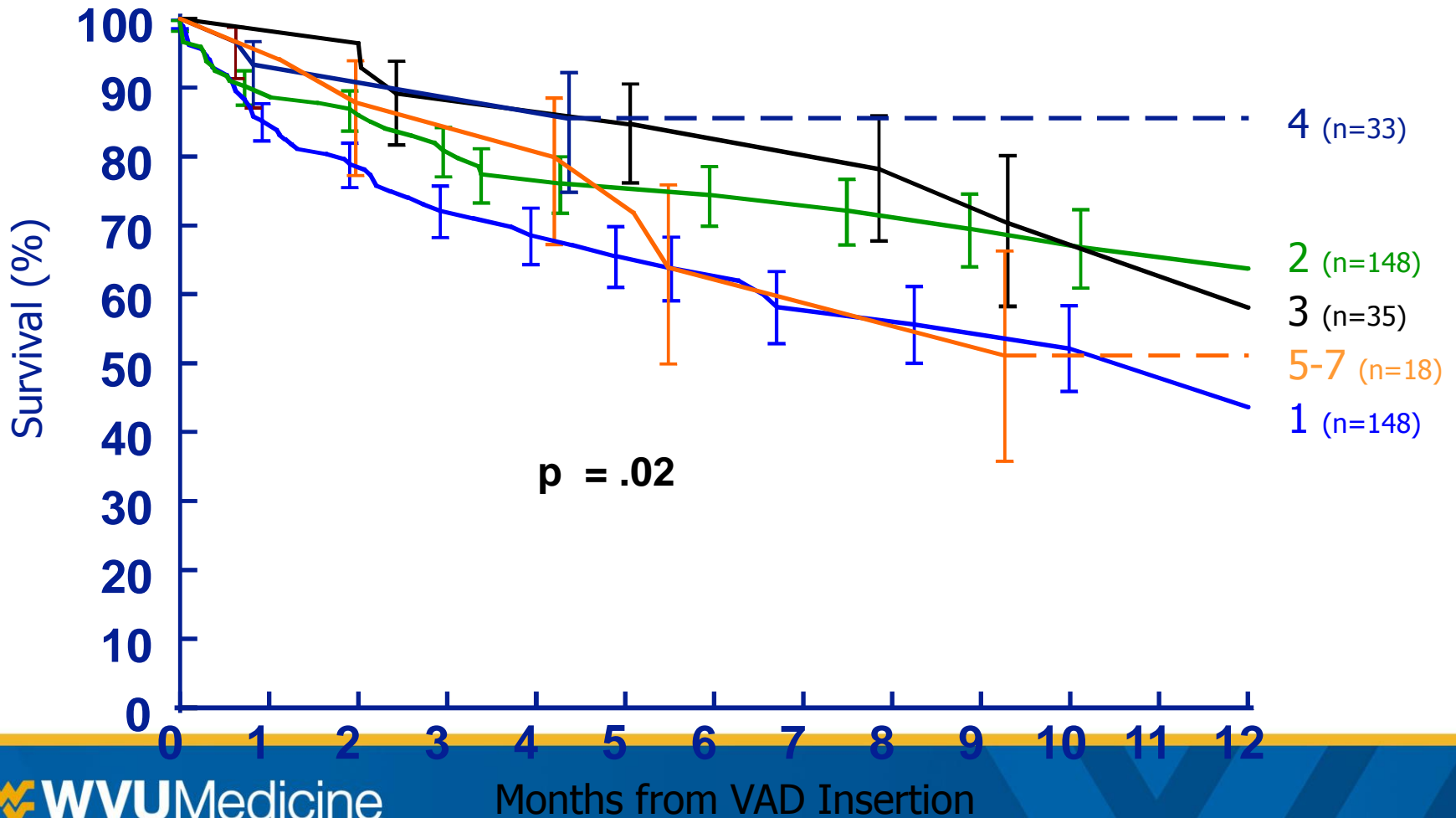
1. Critical cardiogenic shock
2. Progressive decline, on inotropes
3. Stable, but inotrope dependent
4. Recurrent advanced HF
5. Exertion intolerant
6. Exertion limited
7. Advanced NYHA III

# Patient selection

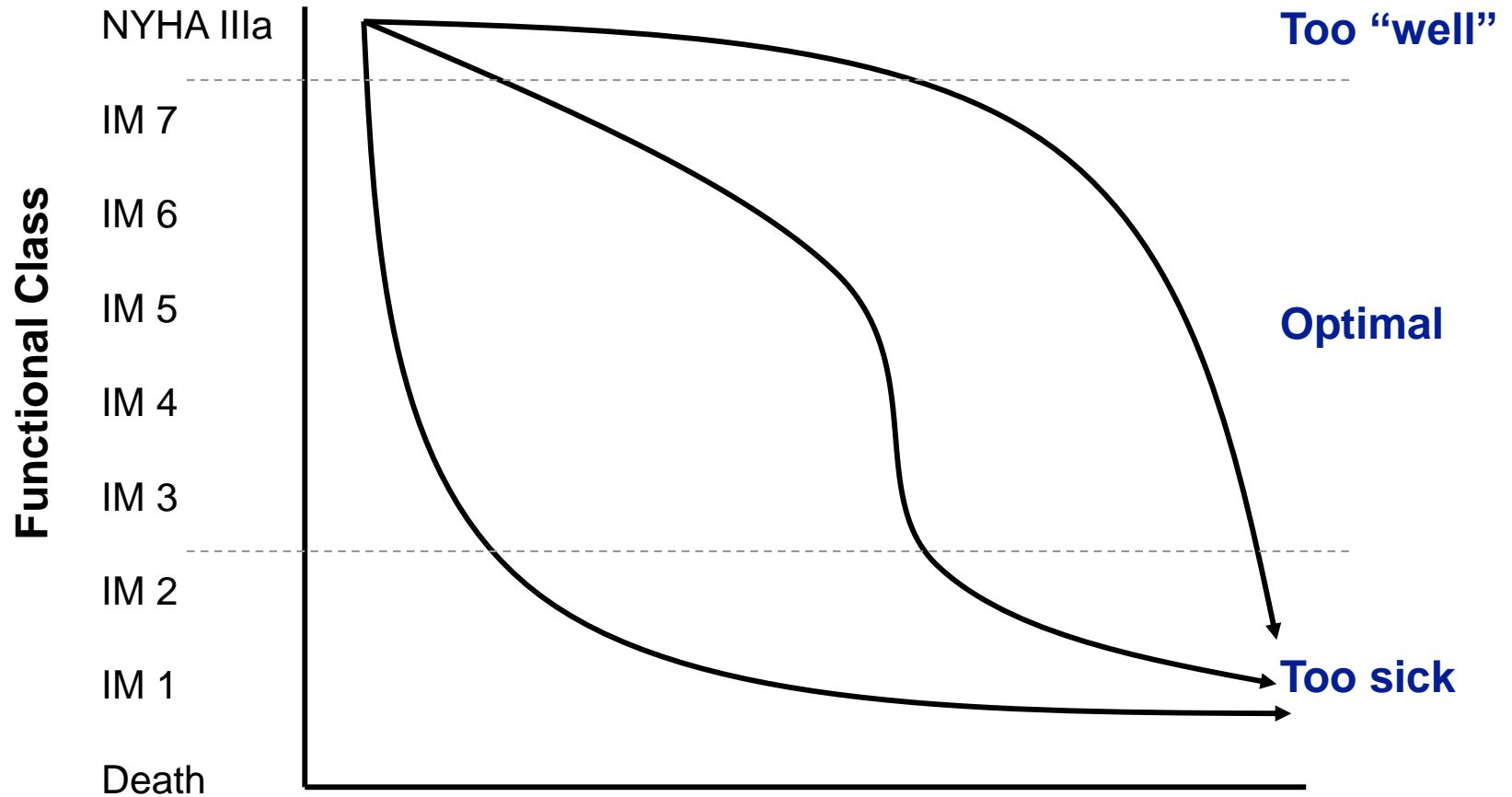
INTERMACS: Distribution of patient profiles  
(n=420)



# Survival by INTERMACS



# Timing of MCS



# GOALS OF LVAD THERAPY

## **Achieve satisfactory hemodynamic support**

- CI > 2.2, improved end organ perfusion, renal/liver function
- No signs/symptoms of HF

## **Optimally decompress the LV**

- Need to achieve balance so that patient does not have persistent HF/PH but LV doesn't risk suction from over-decompression and small LV size

## **Achieve better survival outcomes**

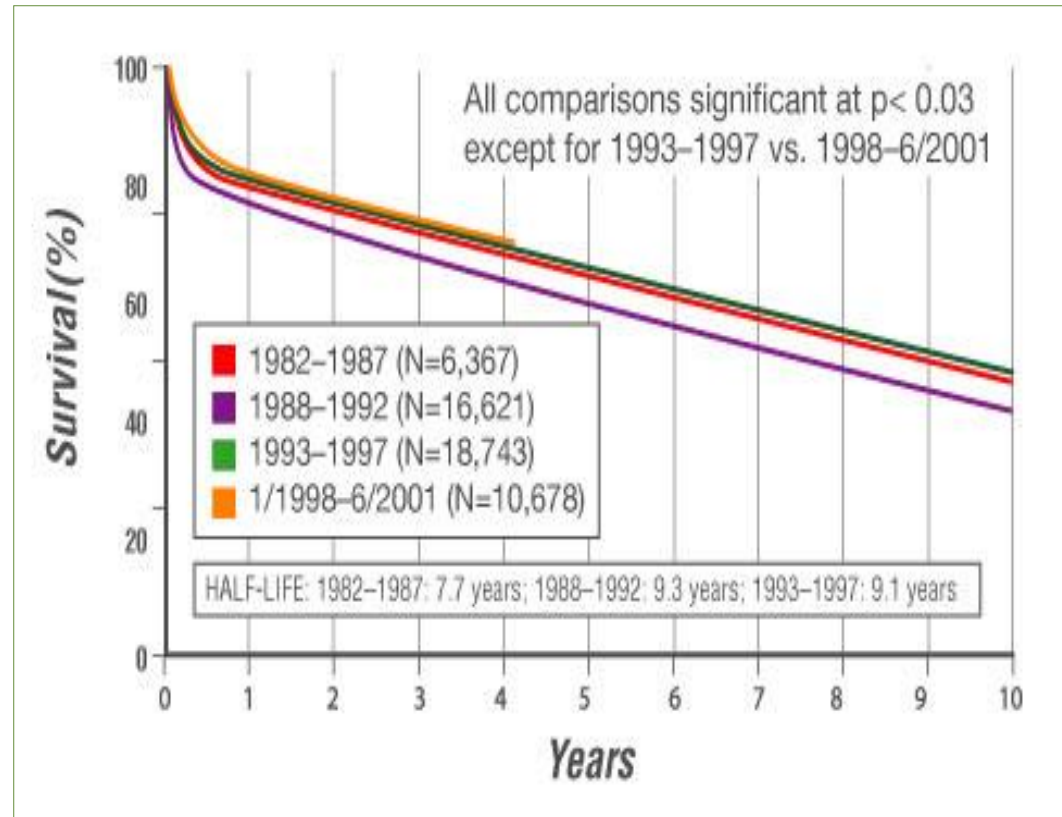
**Greater scrutiny on QOL outcomes > survival** as population of LVAD candidates expands and technology proves durable

# CARDIAC TRANSPLANT



# Cardiac Transplantation

- Remains the most effective Tx for end-stage heart disease, although donor shortage limits its use
- Approximately **2,000** hearts are available each year
- 1-year survival: 86%
- 5-year survival: 71%
- 10-year survival: 46%



**QUESTIONS?**