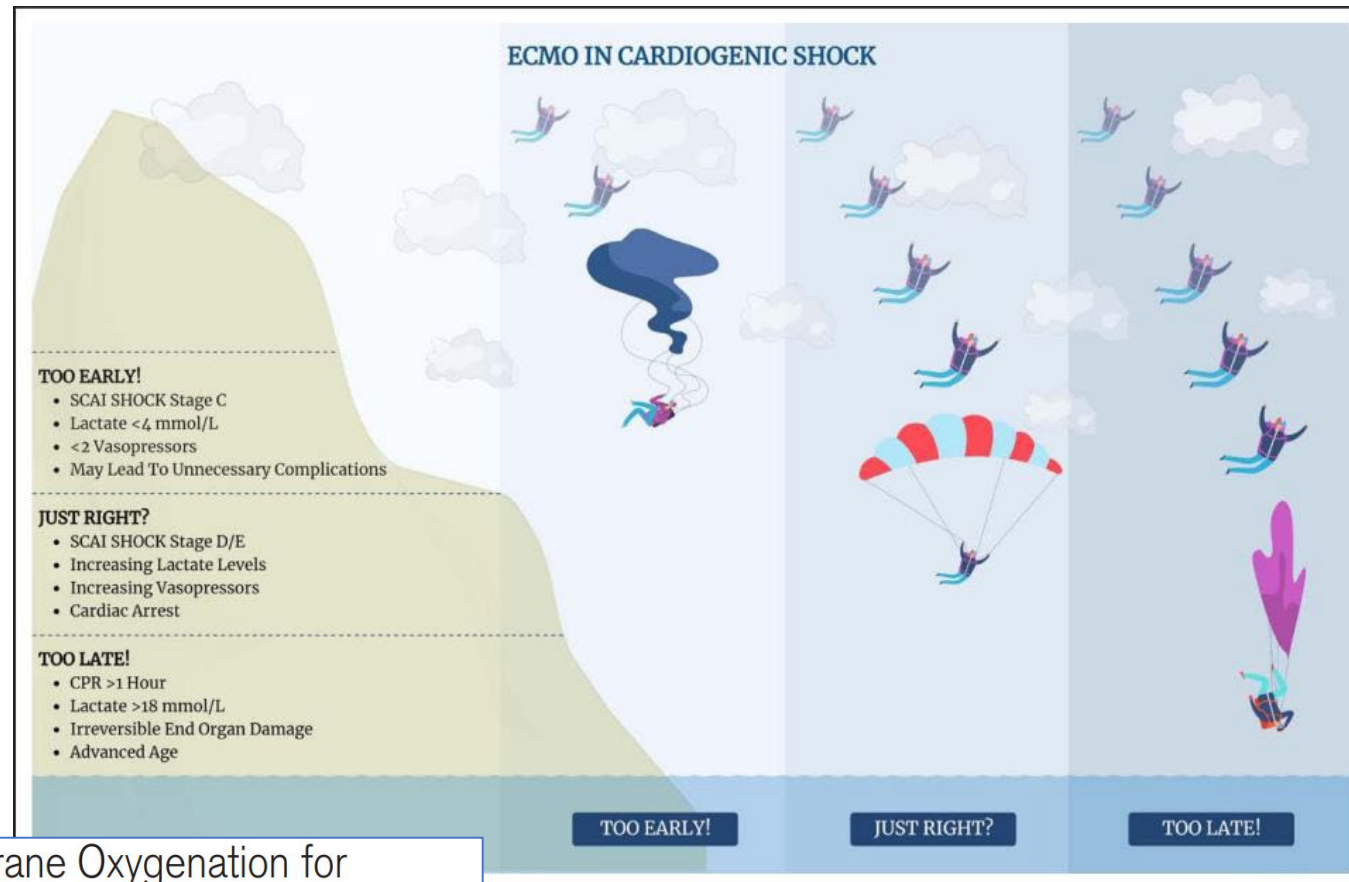


Clinical case

Physiopathological based approach for mechanical circulatory support titration



Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation for Cardiogenic Shock: When to Open the Parachute?

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67-years-old man, Male

Past medical history:

Arterial hypertension (Olmesartan)

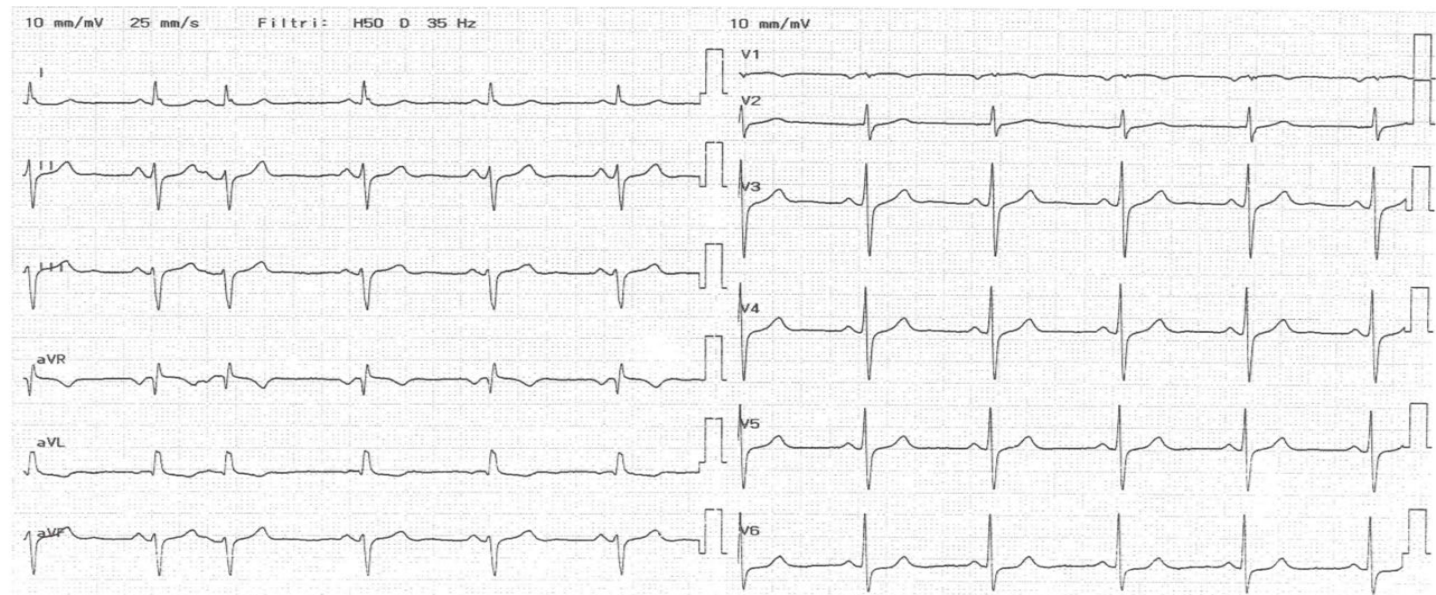
ED- t0 09.10

- Typical chest pain VAS 8/10
- Blood pressure 150/100 mmHg
- Respiratory rate 18 BPM
- SatO2 in ambient air 96%
- Crackles at right base
- **HsTNI 82 ng/L (t0)**

Reason for admission

One episode typical chest pain at rest and exertional angina since 24 h

(spontaneously regressed)



Emergency department - t1

10:40 PM

Cardiology evaluation

New episode of angor

- Blood pressure 165/105 mmHg

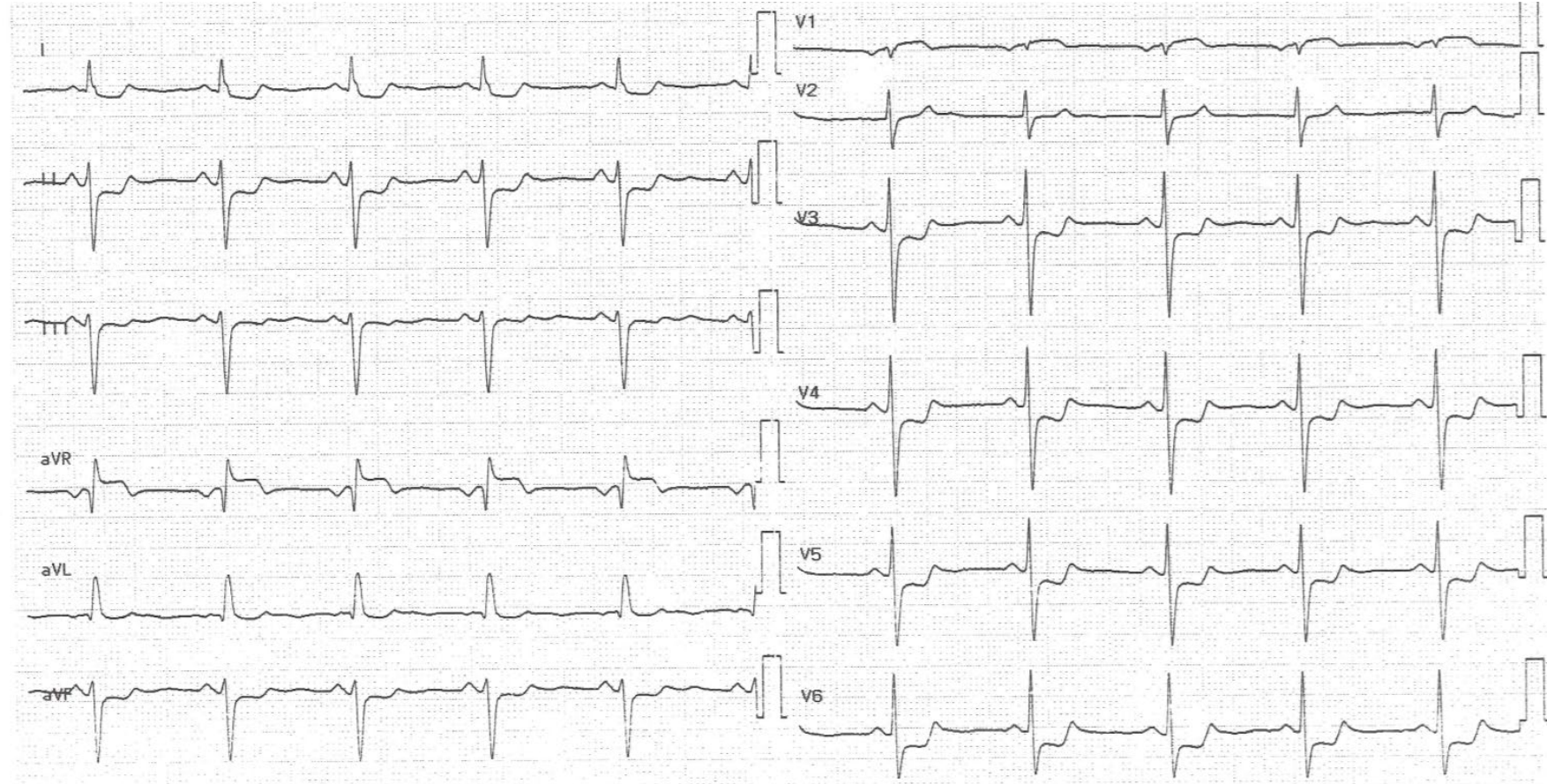
Diagnosis of SCA-NSTE.

Start therapy

- Aspirin 300 mg
- Morphine sc 5 mg
- NTG ev infusion 1mg/h

Echocardiography:

Normal global function with midl hypokinesia .



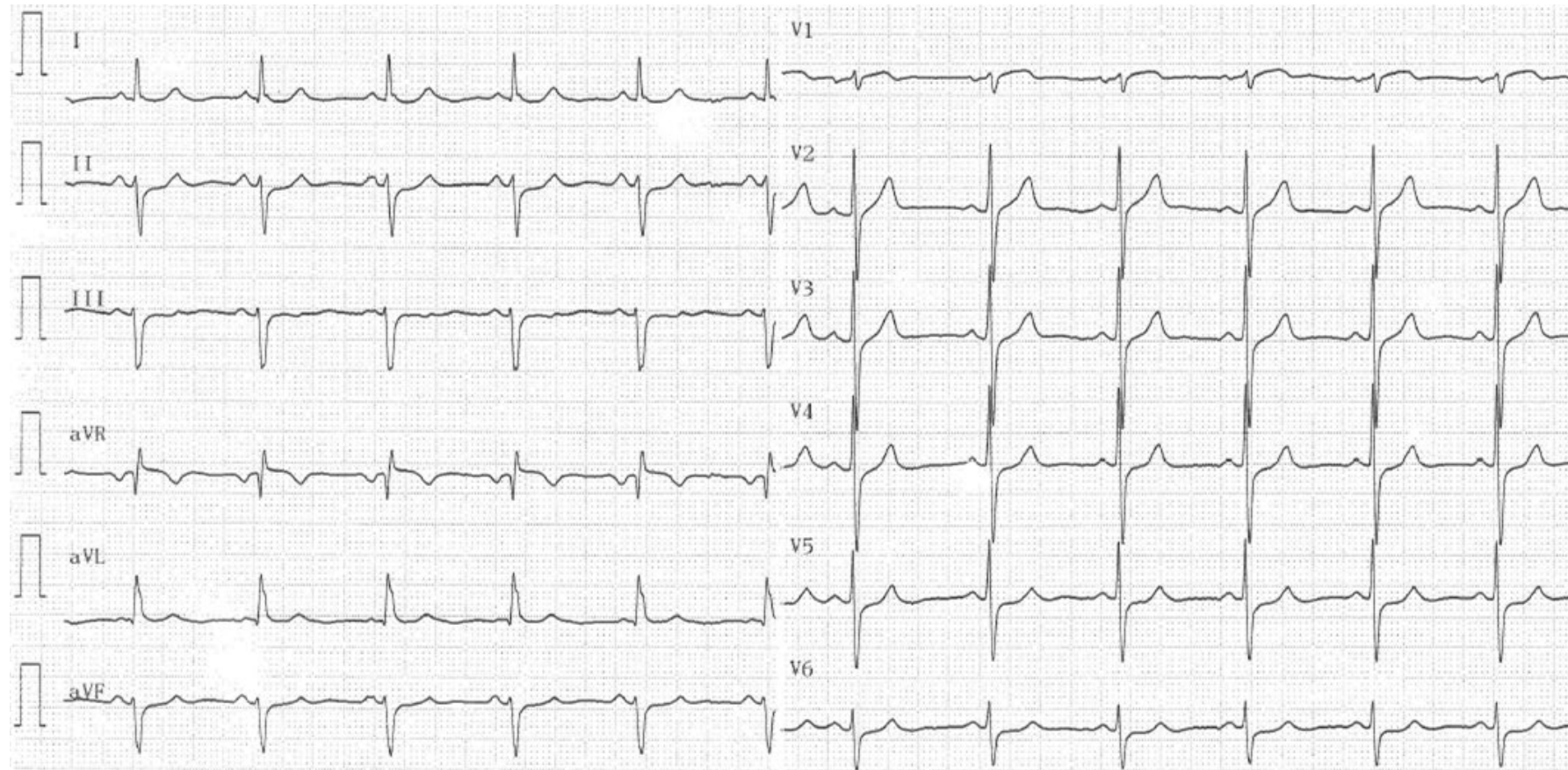
Cardiology ward - t0

01:29 AM

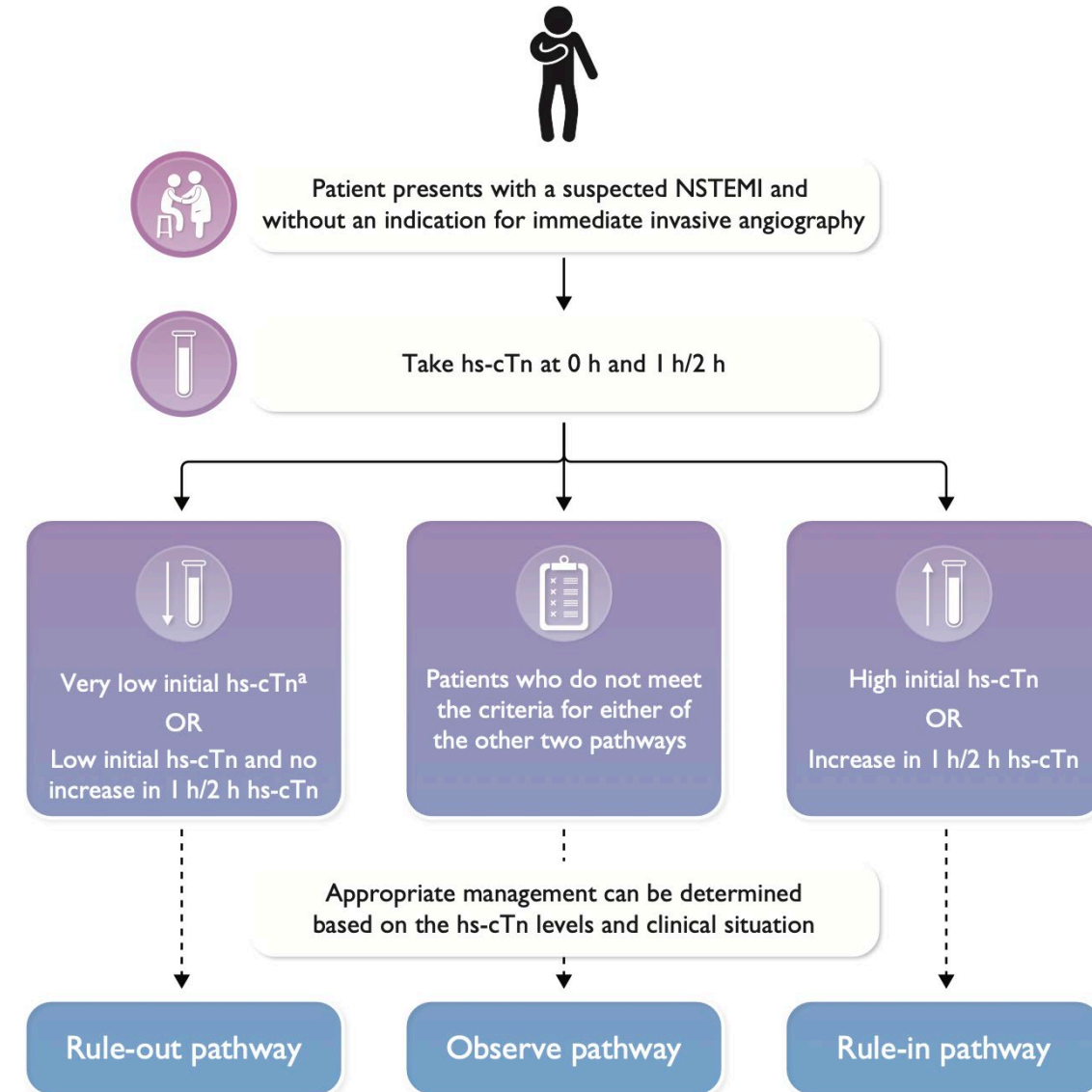
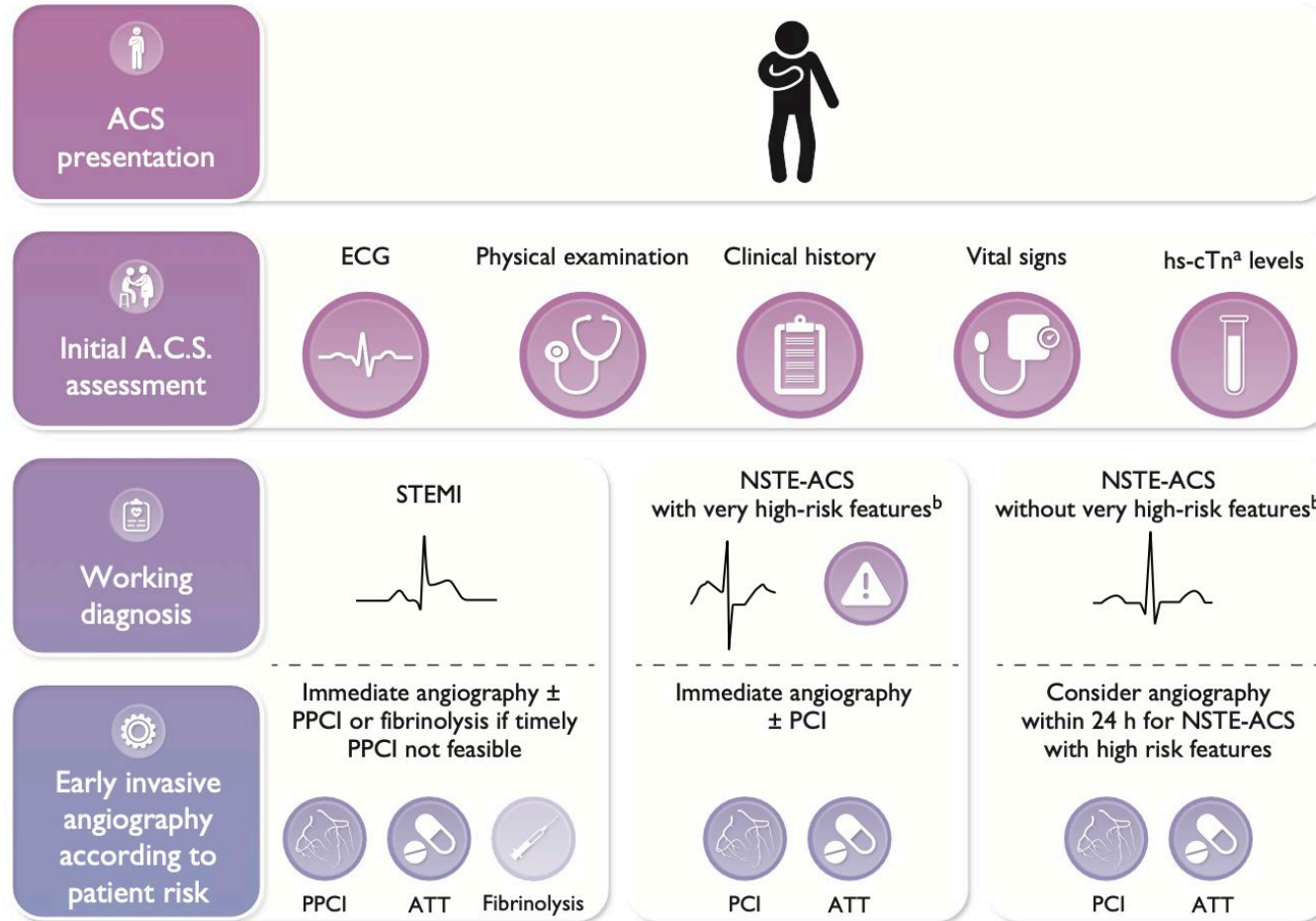
NTG ongoing

- Mild chest pain
VAS 1/10
- Blood pressure
120/85 mmHg
- Normal 12-lead ECG
SR at 85 bpm

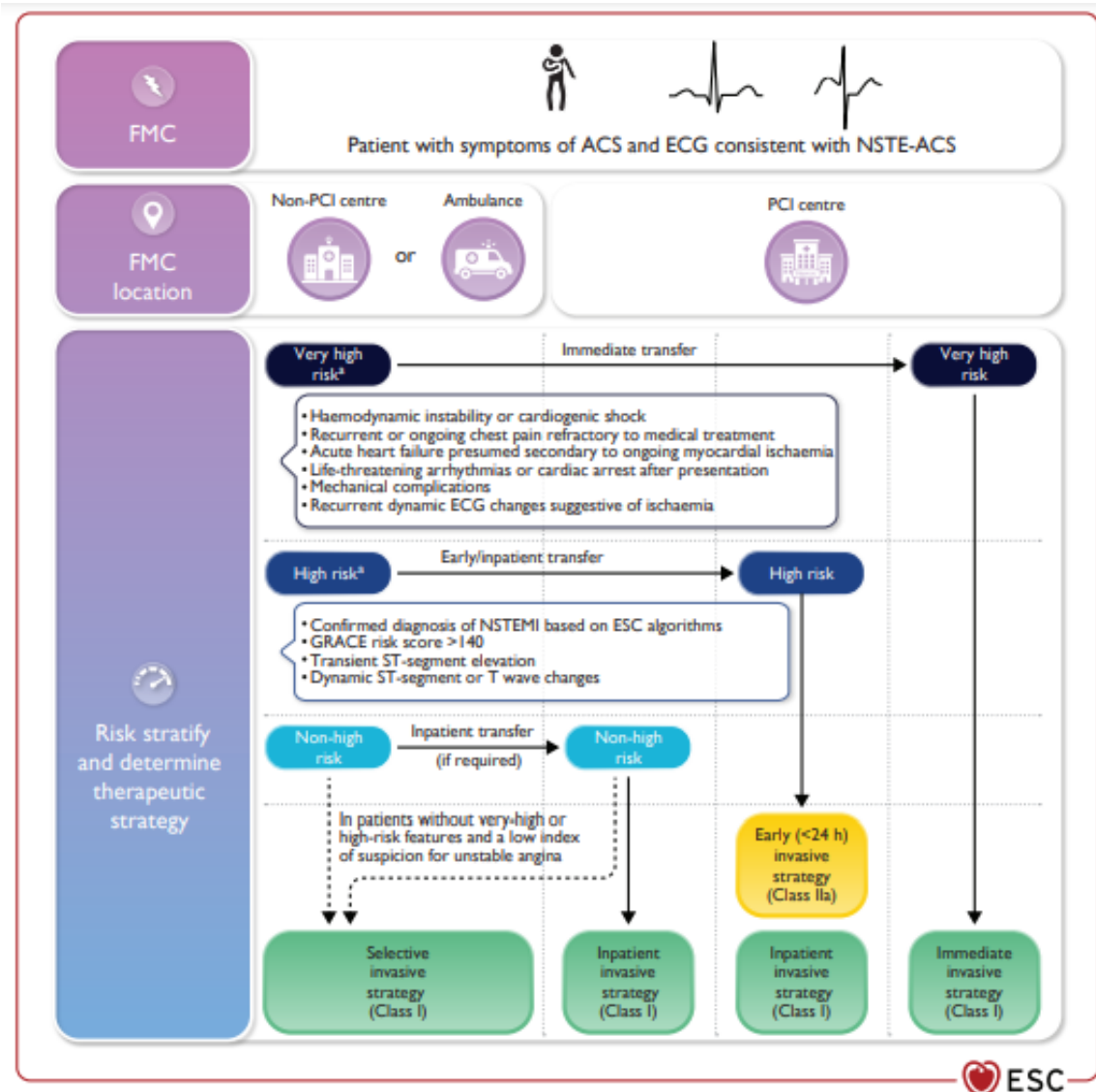
Echocardiography:
global systolic function
preserved in the presence of
mild dorsal hypokinesia



ACS treatment bundles



ACS treatment bundles



GRACE ACS Risk and Mortality Calculator



Estimates admission to 6 month mortality for patients with acute coronary syndrome.

When to Use ▾

Pearls/Pitfalls ▾

Why Use ▾

Age

69

years

Heart rate/pulse

65

beats/min

Systolic BP

150

mm Hg

114 points

GRACE Score

6 %

Probability of death from admission to 6 months

Cardiology ward -

08:11 AM

NTG ongoing - HsTNI 569 ng/L (12 h)

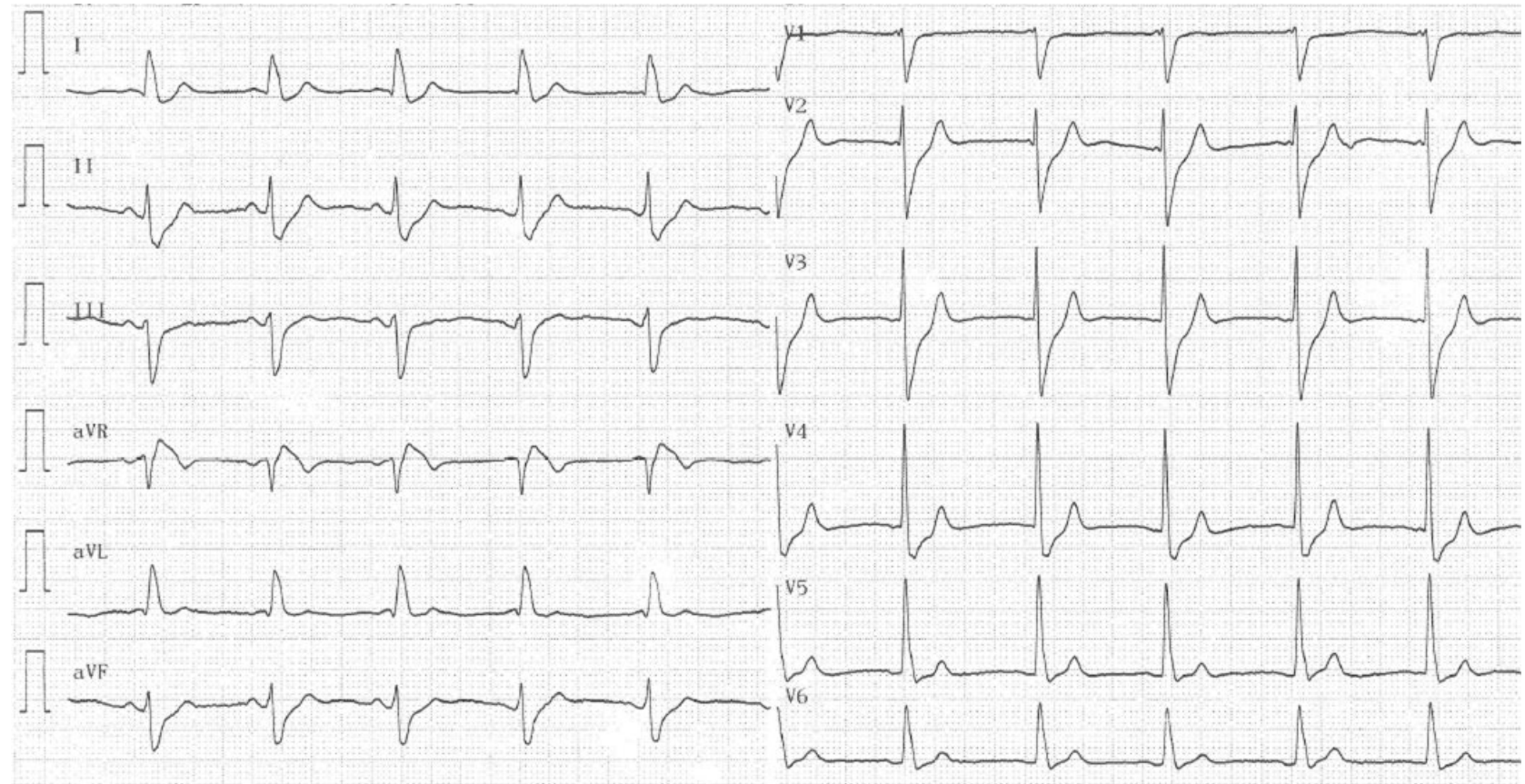


Chest pain

- Cold sweats
- Blood pressure 102/80mmHg

Stop NTG

Echocardiography:
severe LV systolic dysfunction.



Cath Lab

08:11
Chest pain

08:22
PEA
RCP+1mg
EPI

08:24
ROSC

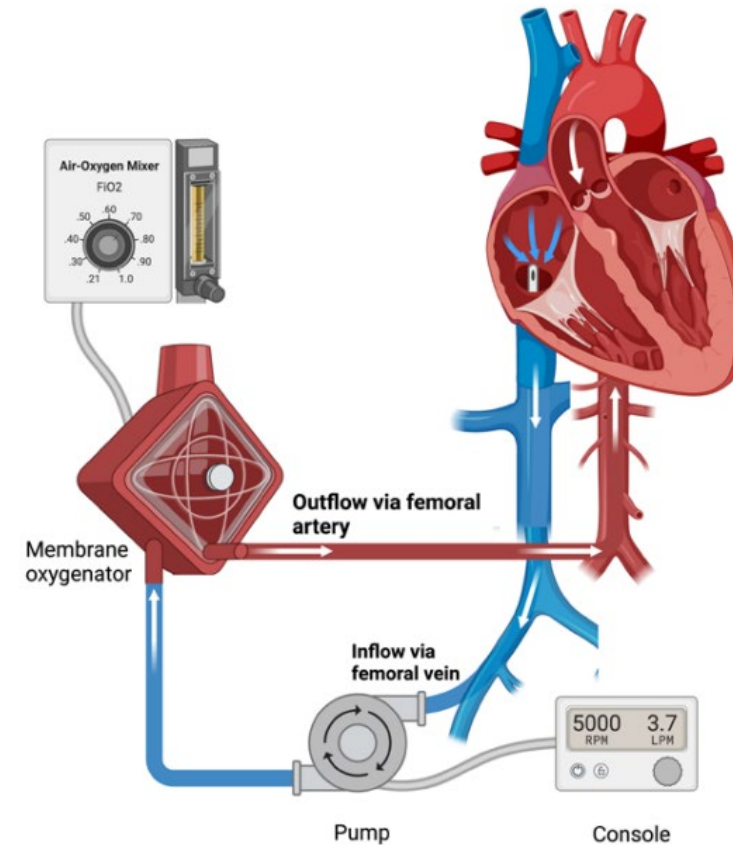
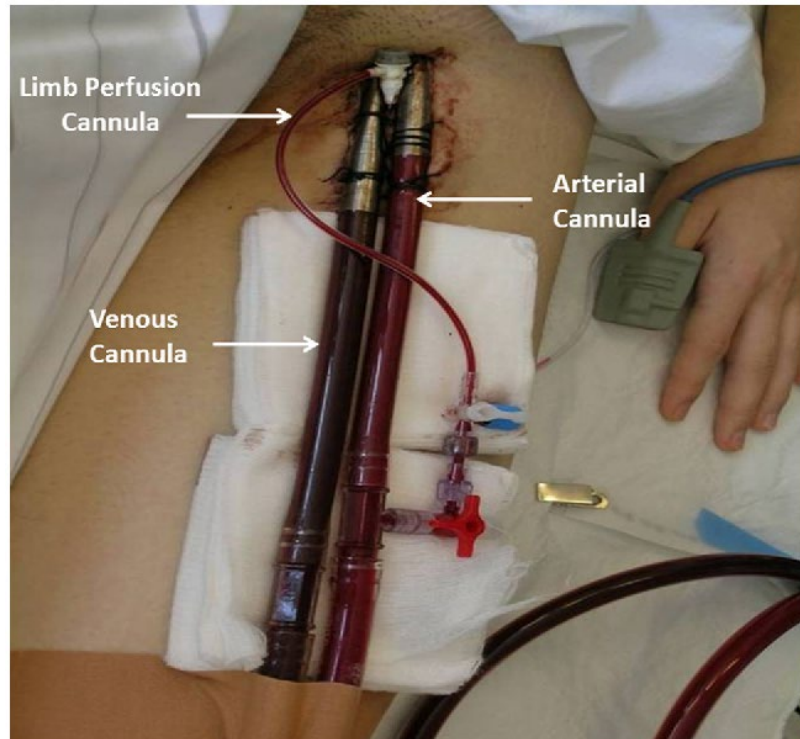
08:27
MET
arrival

08:35
Transport to
Cath lab

08:44
FV 1 shock
ROSC

09:01
Asystole

09:16
Start VA-
ECMO



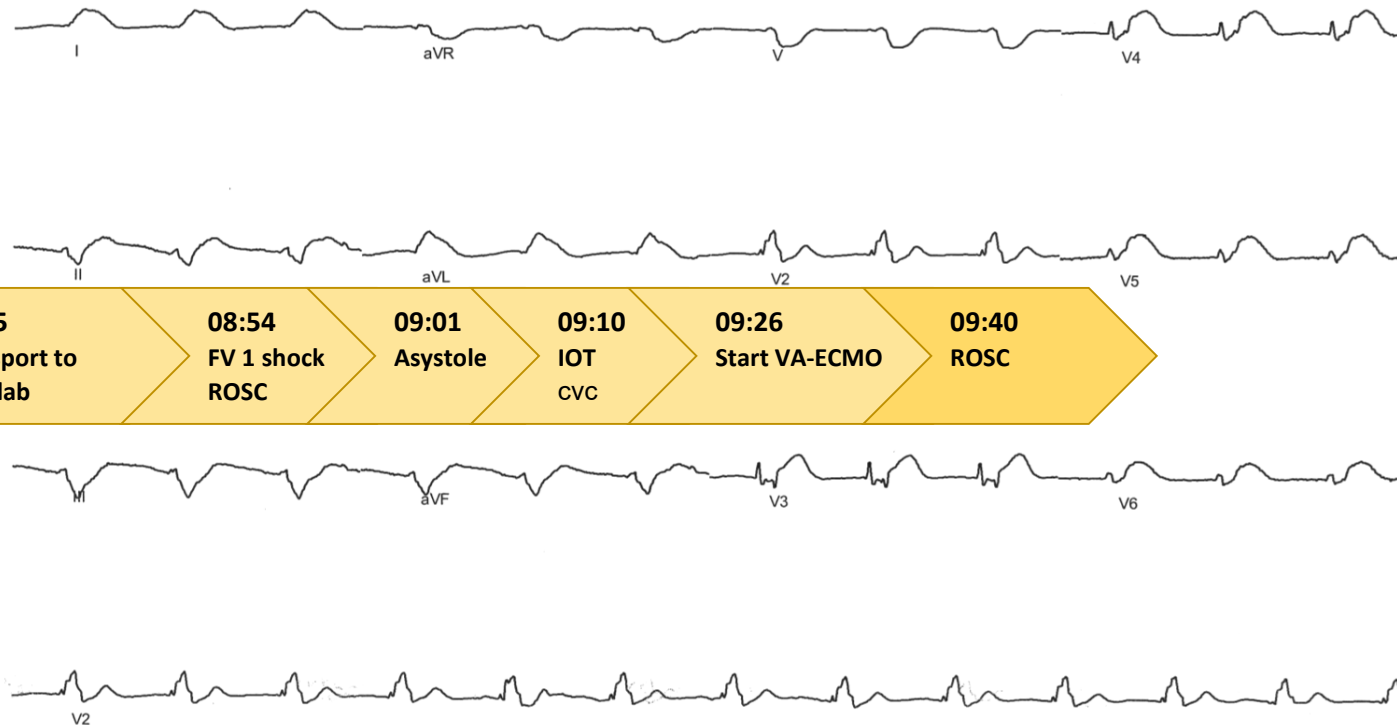
09.20
ROSC

Total low flow period = 32 min

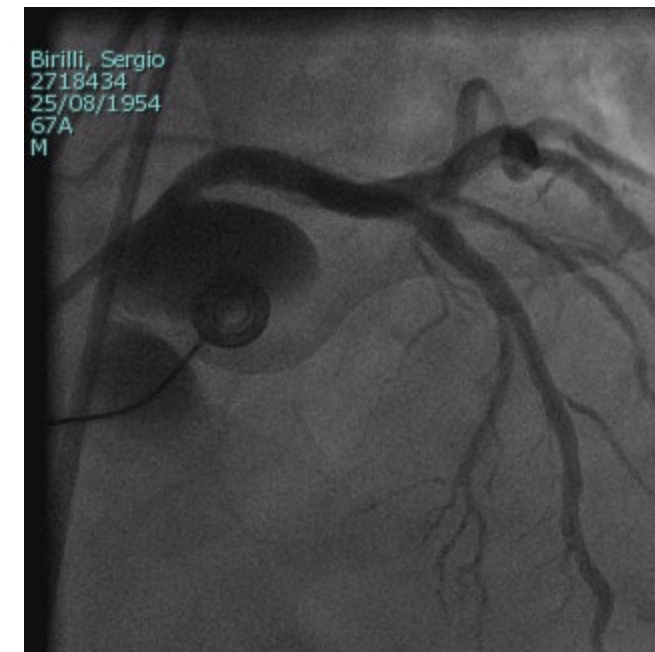
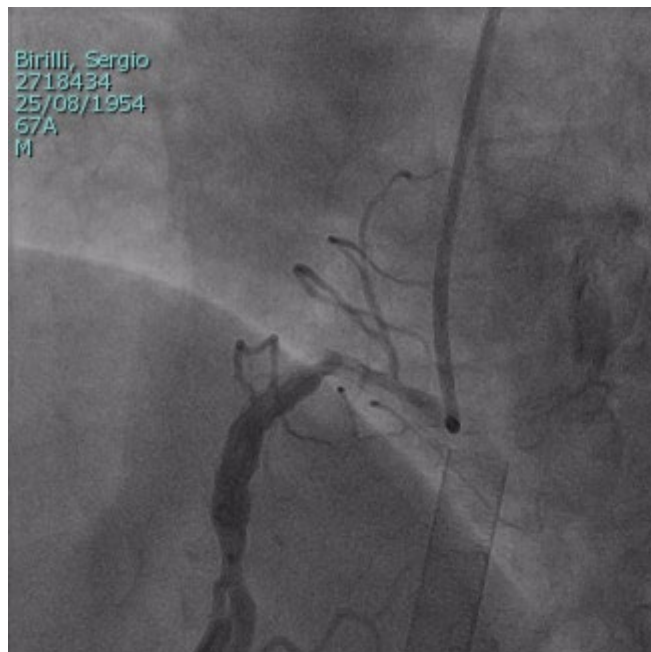
Cath Lab

Coronary angiography

MCS ongoing

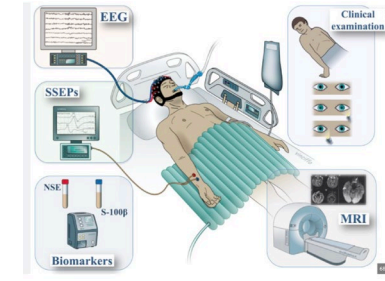


- Only Culprit-vessel PCI

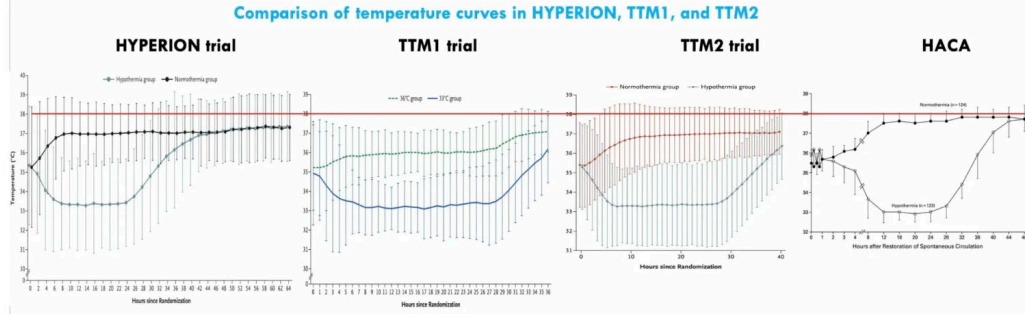


V-A side treatment bundles

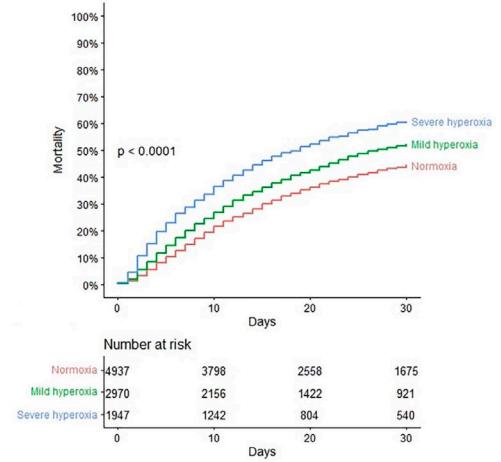
Sedation: Midazolam (no evidence but less hemodynamic impactful)



TTM: no evidence but avoid fever!

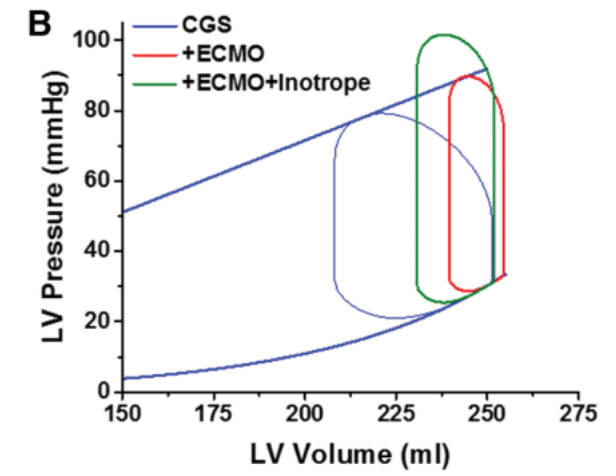


Protective VAM, P/F 200: Hyperoxemia is bad!



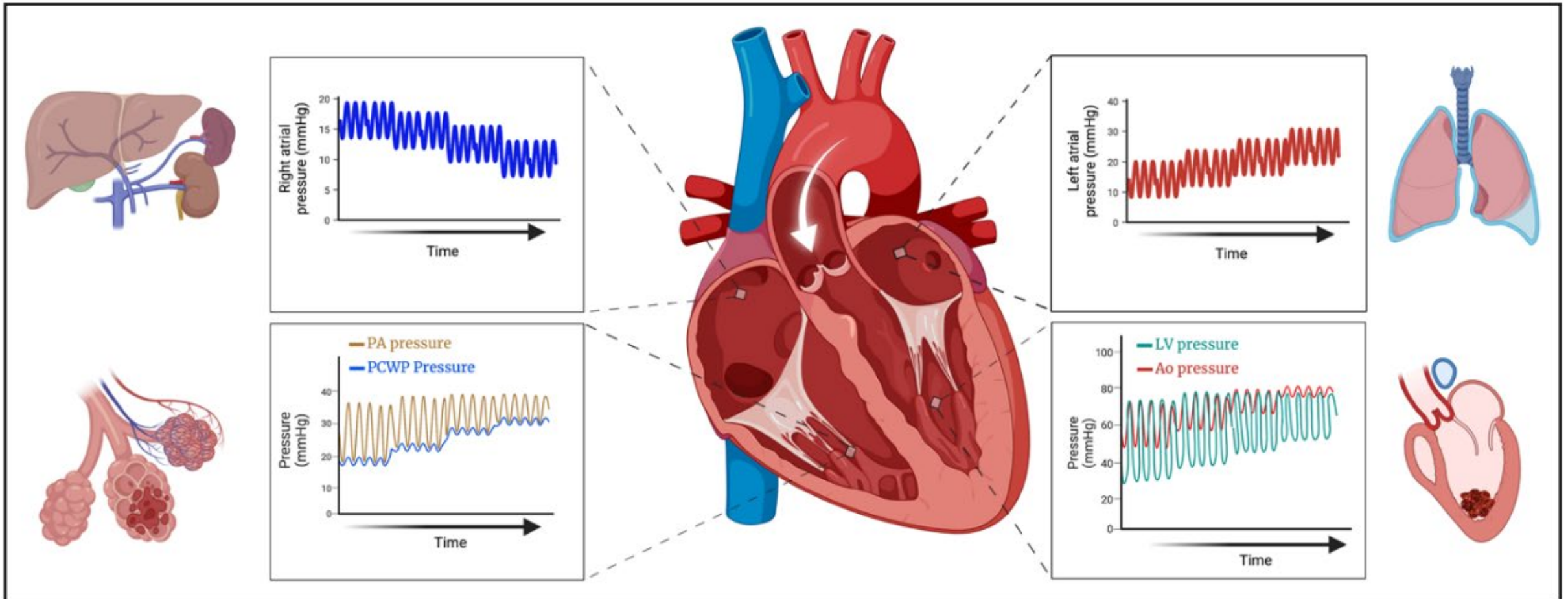
Epinephrine 0,02 mcg/kg/min

No evidence at all: may favor the residual inotropism to promote native ejection

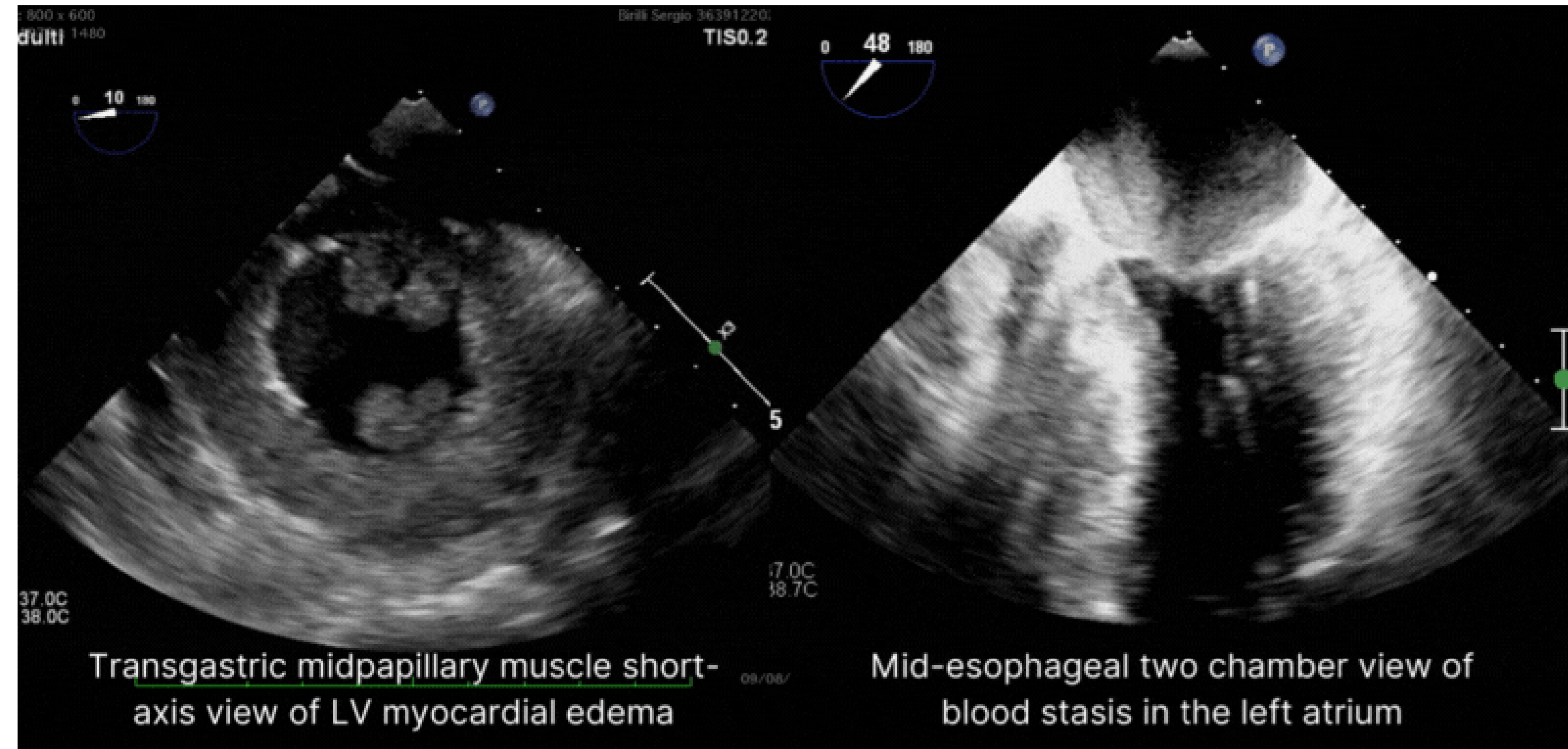


Hemodynamic effects of VA-ECMO:

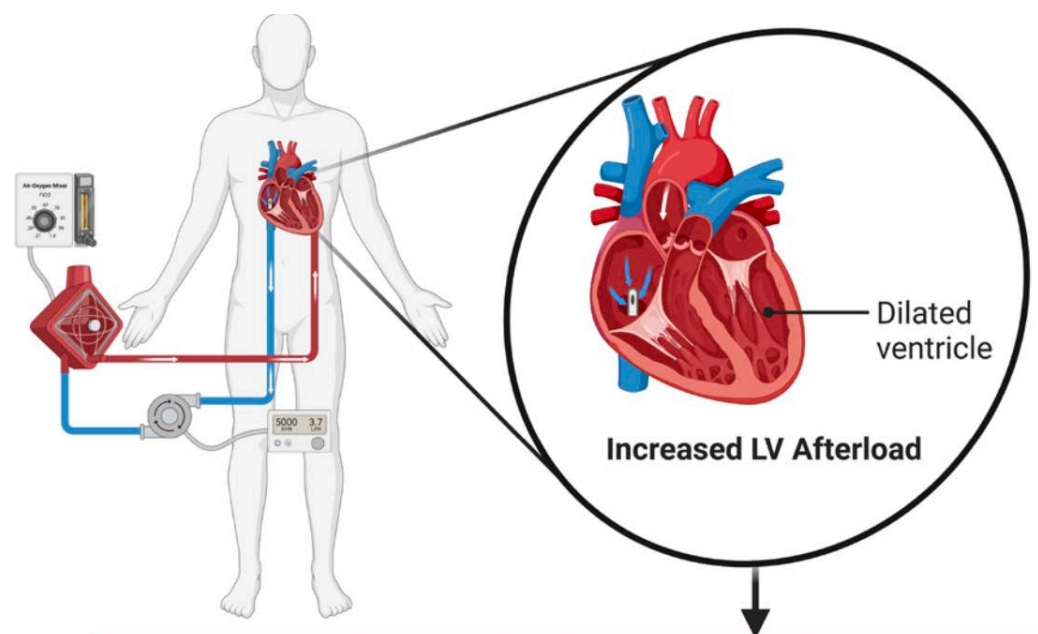
- ECMO-VA BF 3L/min; GF 3L/min
- PCWP 21 mmHg






TTE in cath lab

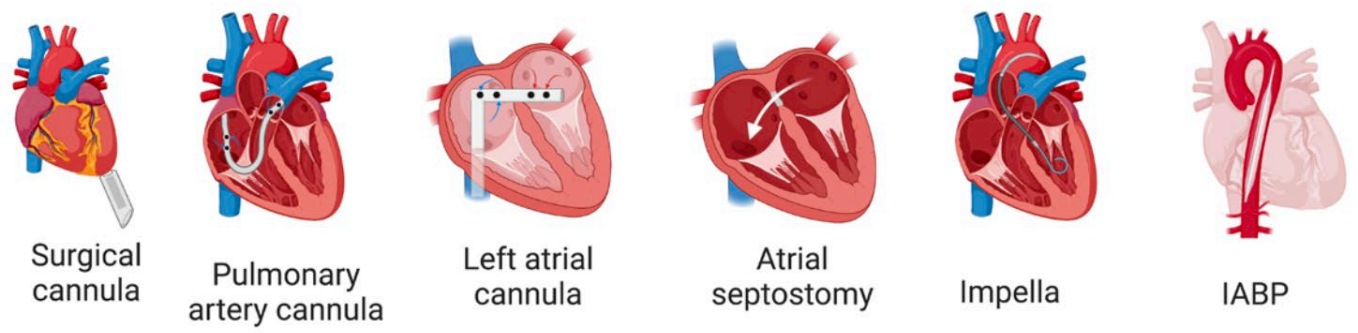


Unloading the Left Ventricle in Venoarterial ECMO: In Whom, When, and How?



| Unloading Criteria | |
|--|---------------------------|
|  Echocardiographic | Closed aortic valve |
| | Spontaneous Echo contrast |
| | Ventricular thrombus |
| | LVOT VTi <10cm |
|  Clinical | Pulmonary edema |
| | Ventricular arrhythmia |
|  Haemodynamic | PCWP >18mmHg |
| | Pulse pressure <15mmHg |

Unloading methods



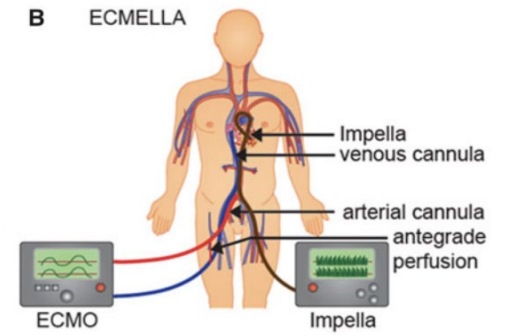
Drawbacks:

- High risk/ Time
- RV failure
- Only PCWP reduction
- Low/null support
- LV cavity
- Low support

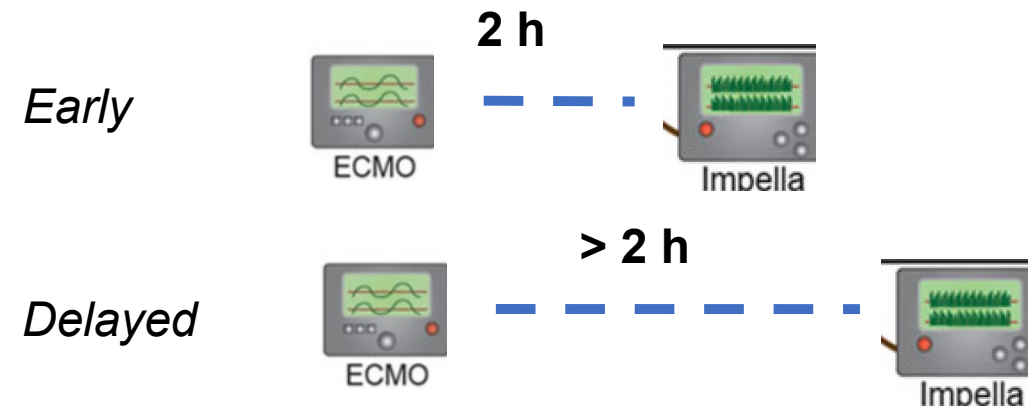
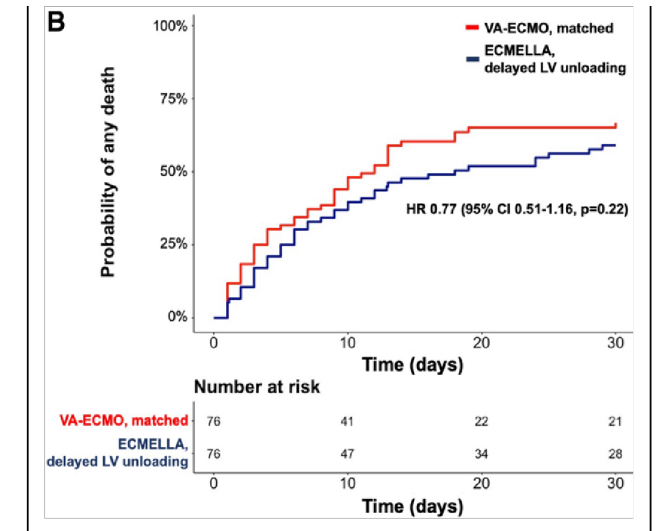
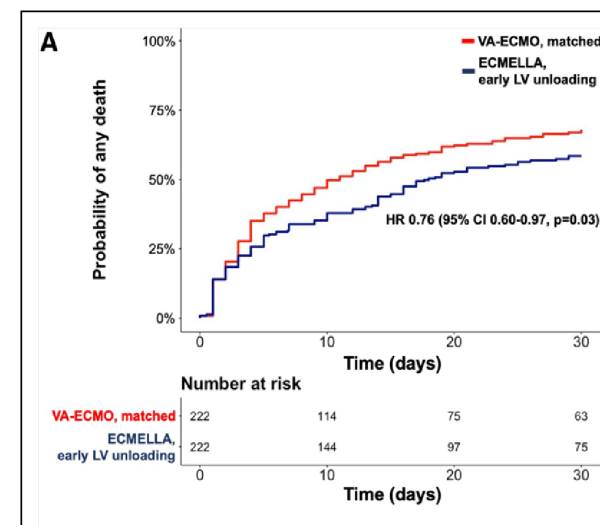
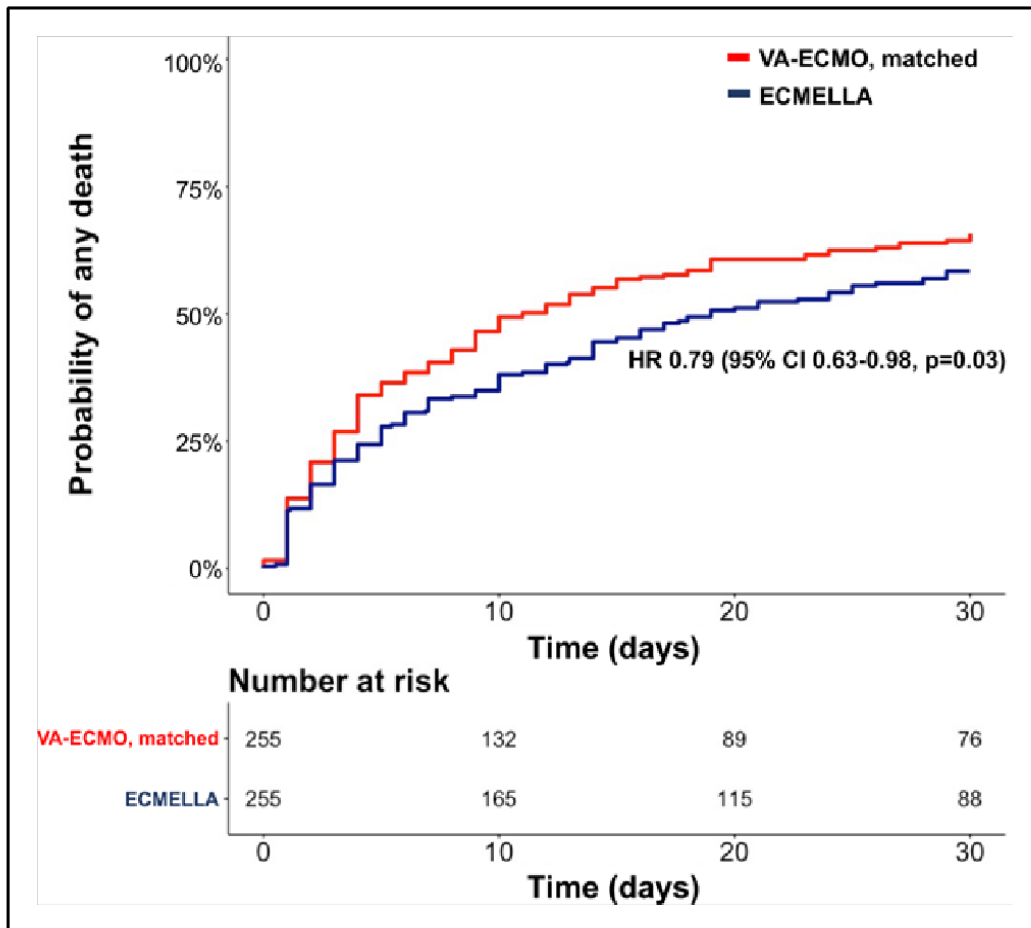
LV Unloading

Left Ventricular Unloading Is Associated With Lower Mortality in Patients With Cardiogenic Shock Treated With Venoarterial Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation

Results From an International, Multicenter Cohort Study

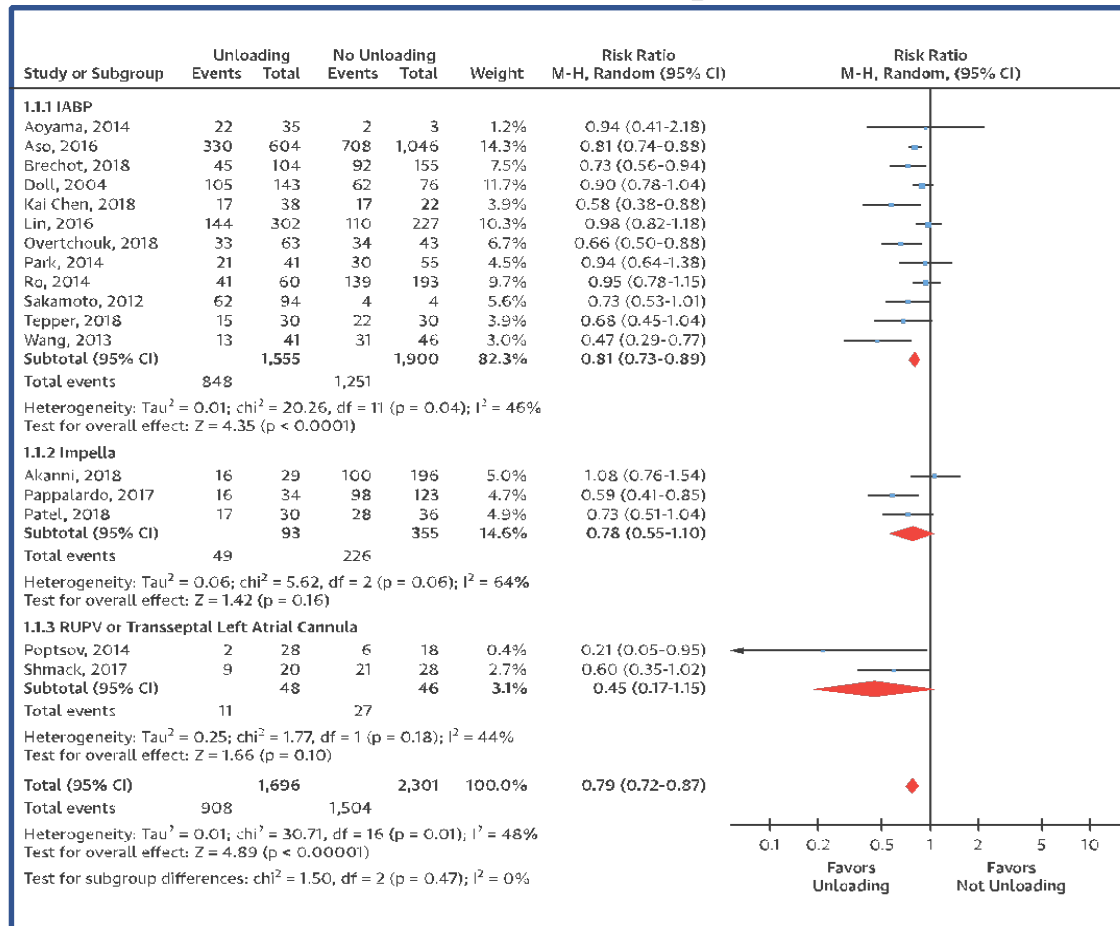


Circulation. 2020;142:2095–2106.



LV Unloading

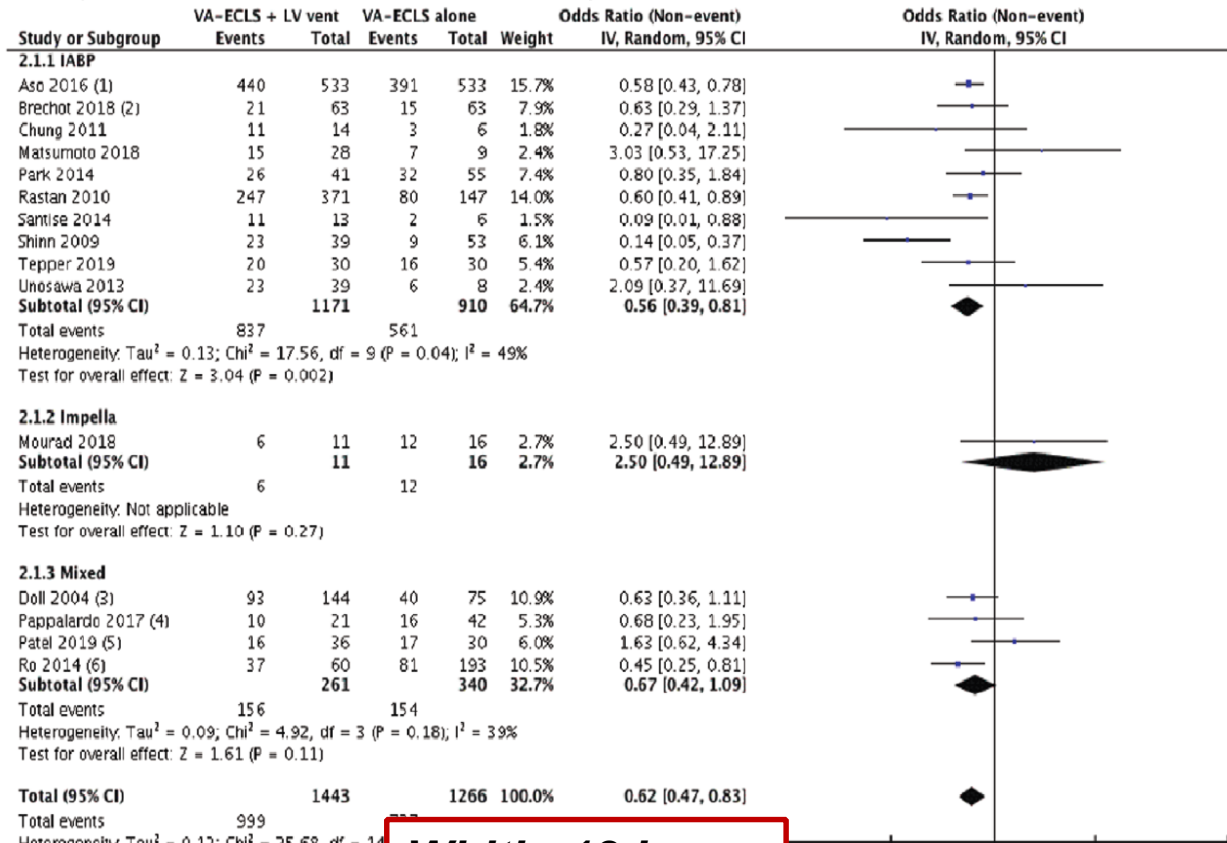
Left Ventricular Unloading During Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation in Patients With Cardiogenic Shock



(J Am Coll Cardiol 2019;73:654-62)

Optimal Strategy and Timing of Left Ventricular Venting During Veno-Arterial Extracorporeal Life Support for Adults in Cardiogenic Shock

A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

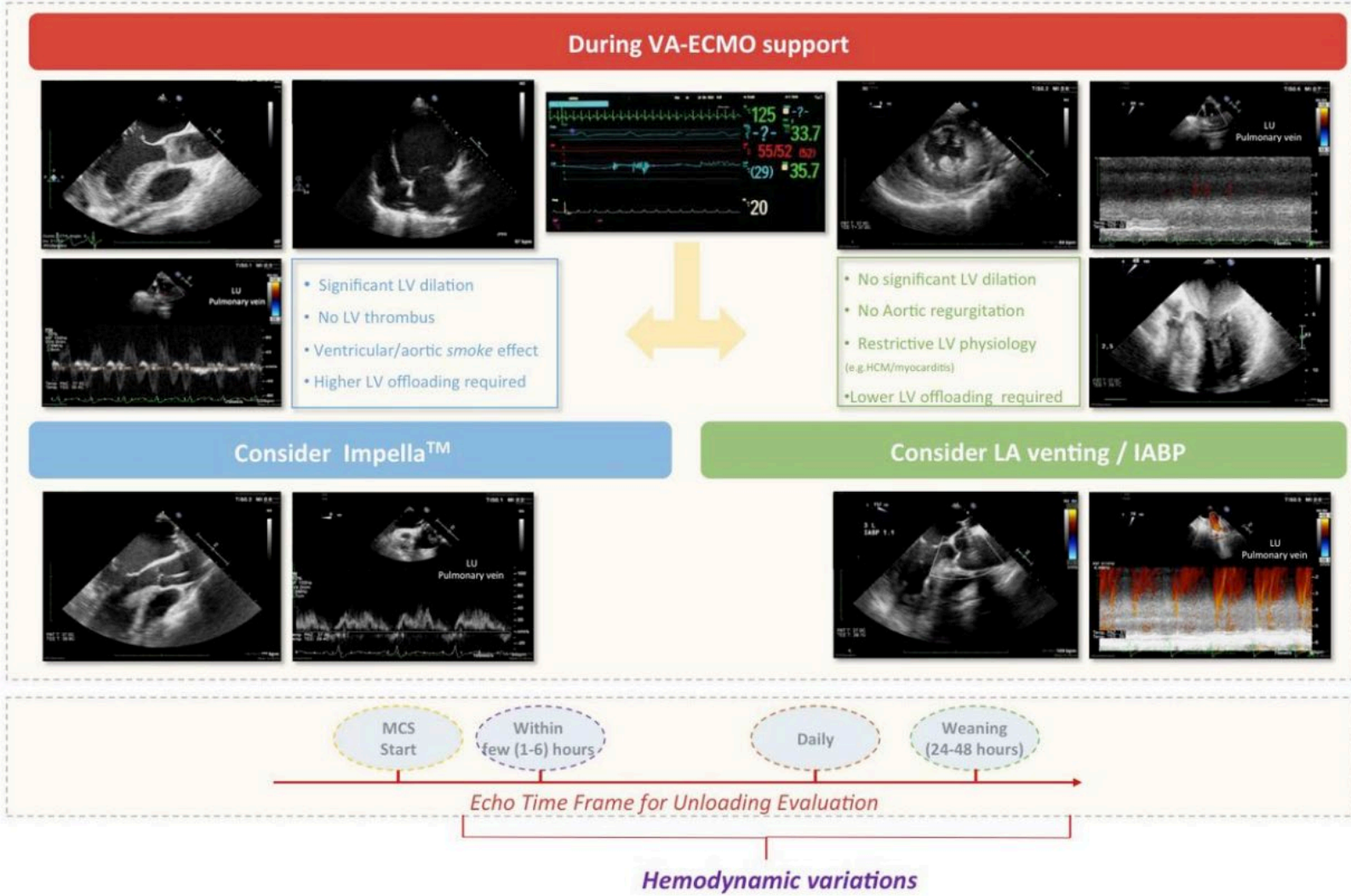


Whitin 12 hours

Circ Heart Fail. 2019;12:e006486.


How to unload the left ventricle during veno-arterial extracorporeal membrane oxygenation

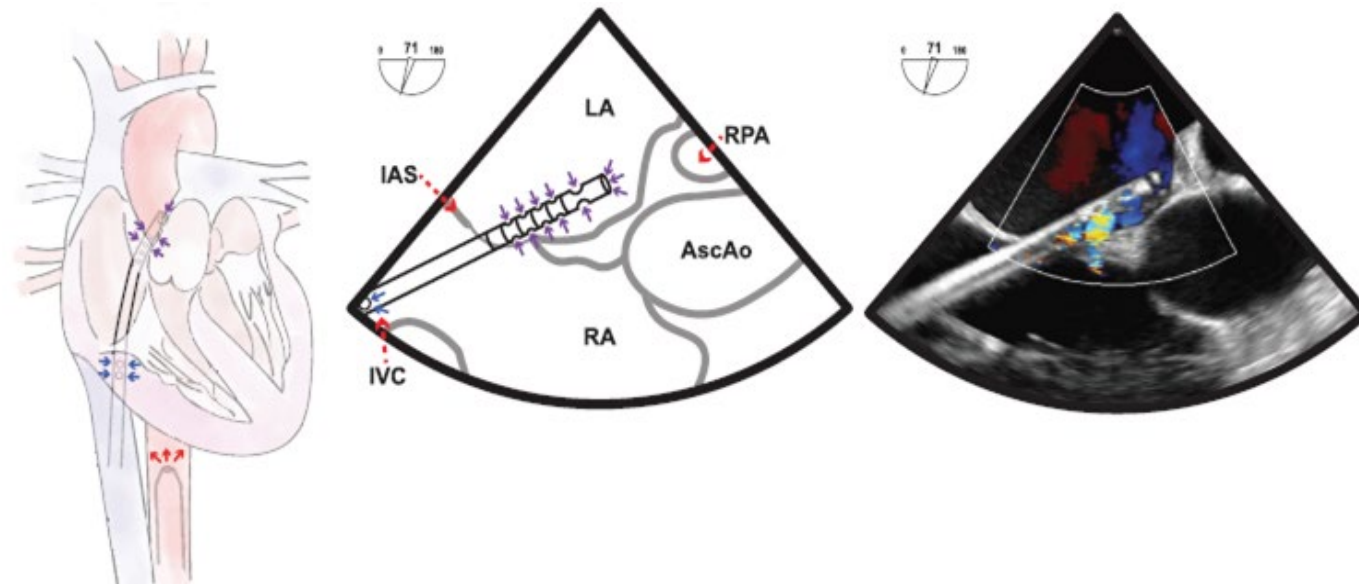
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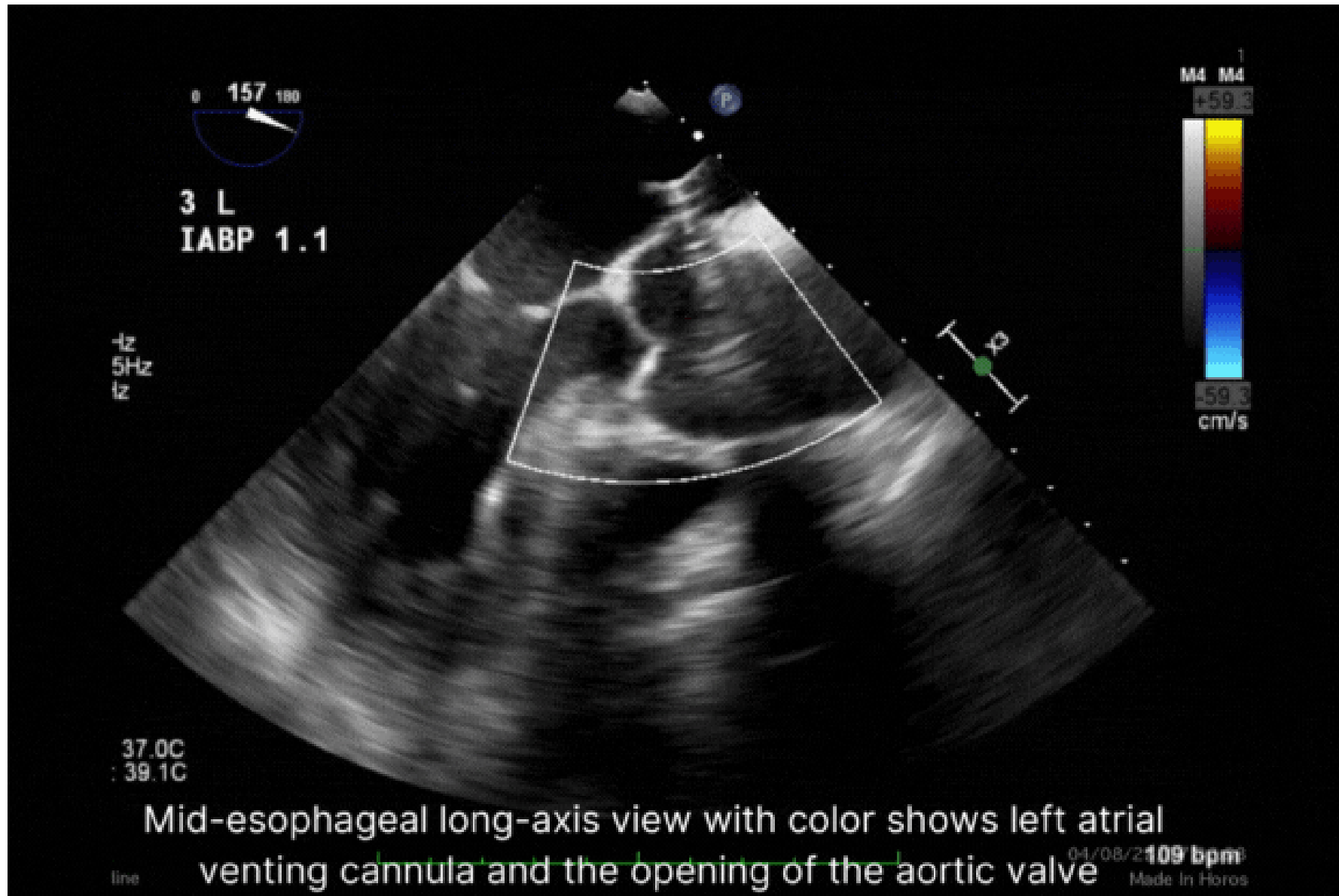


Echocardiography for extracorporeal membrane oxygenation

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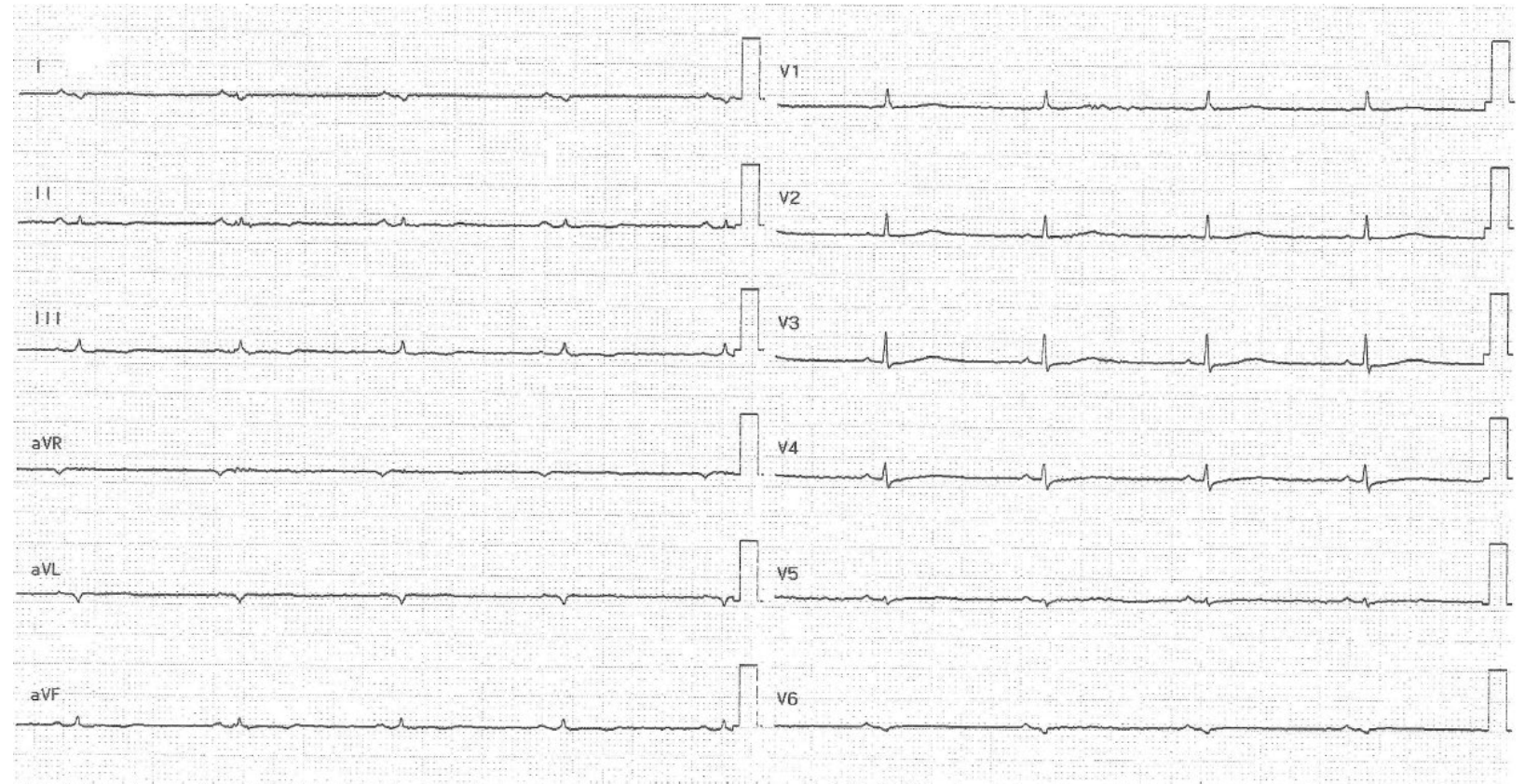
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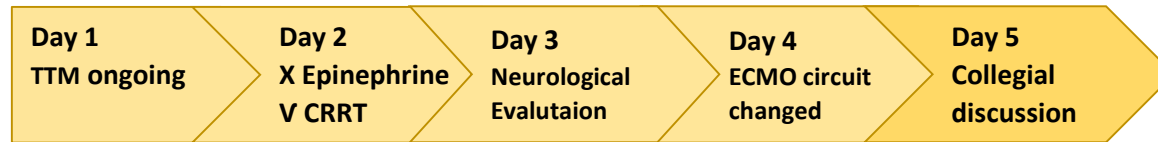
Day 1
TTM ongoing

Severe post-ROSC LV myocardial edema.

| | |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| NSE(48h-72h) | |
| Native lung VAM | 12 BPM |
| Membrane lung GF | 3 L/m |
| ECMO BF | 3 L/m |
| Vasopressor | ↔ |
| HsTNI | ↑690350 ng/L |
| BNP | 40 pg/mL |
| PVC | 7 mmHg |
| PCWP | 15 mmHg |
| SVO2 | 65% |
| Transeptal cannula Q | 1,5 L/m |
| CRRT | NO |
| Ecocardiography | IVS,AW,PW 20 mm |

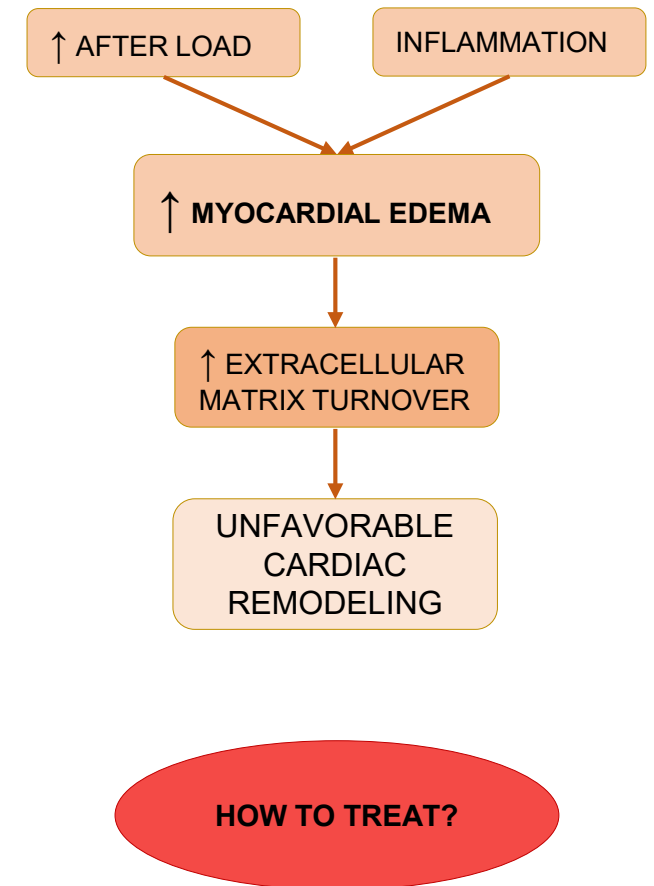


ICU ward

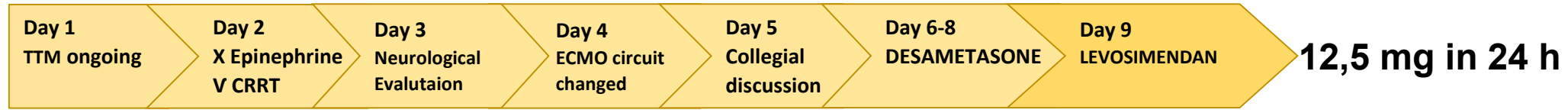


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|----------------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------|
| NSE(48h-72h) | | | 66,5 ng/mL | 23,4 ng/mL | |
| Native lung VAM | 12 BPM | 5 BPM | 10 BPM | 10 BPM | 10 BPM |
| Membrane lung GF | 3 L/m | 2 L/m | 5 L/m | 3,5 L/m | 2 L/m |
| ECMO BF | 3 L/m | 3,5 L/m | 4 L/m | 4 L/m | 4 L/m |
| Vasopressor | ↔ | ↓ | ↔ | ↓ | ↓ |
| HsTNI | ↑690350 ng/L | ↑813730 ng/L | ↓309830 ng/L | ↓187700 ng/L | ↓137490 ng/L |
| BNP | 40 pg/mL | | 95 pg/mL | | 239 pg/mL |
| PVC | 7 mmHg | 10 mmHg | 14 mmHg | 10 mmHg | 8 mmHg |
| PCWP | 15 mmHg | 13 mmHg | 16 mmHg | 16 mmHg | 13 mmHg |
| SVO2 | 65% | 63% | | 69% | 69% |
| Transeptal cannula Q | 1,5 L/m | 1,5 L/m | 1,5 L/m | 1,5 L/m | 1,5 L/m |
| CRRT | | √ | √ | √ | |
| Ecocardiography | IVS,AW,PW 20 mm | | | | IVS,AW,PW 18 mm |

- Mild pupillary anisocoria
 - Head CT scan: acute cerebellar infarction



ICU ward



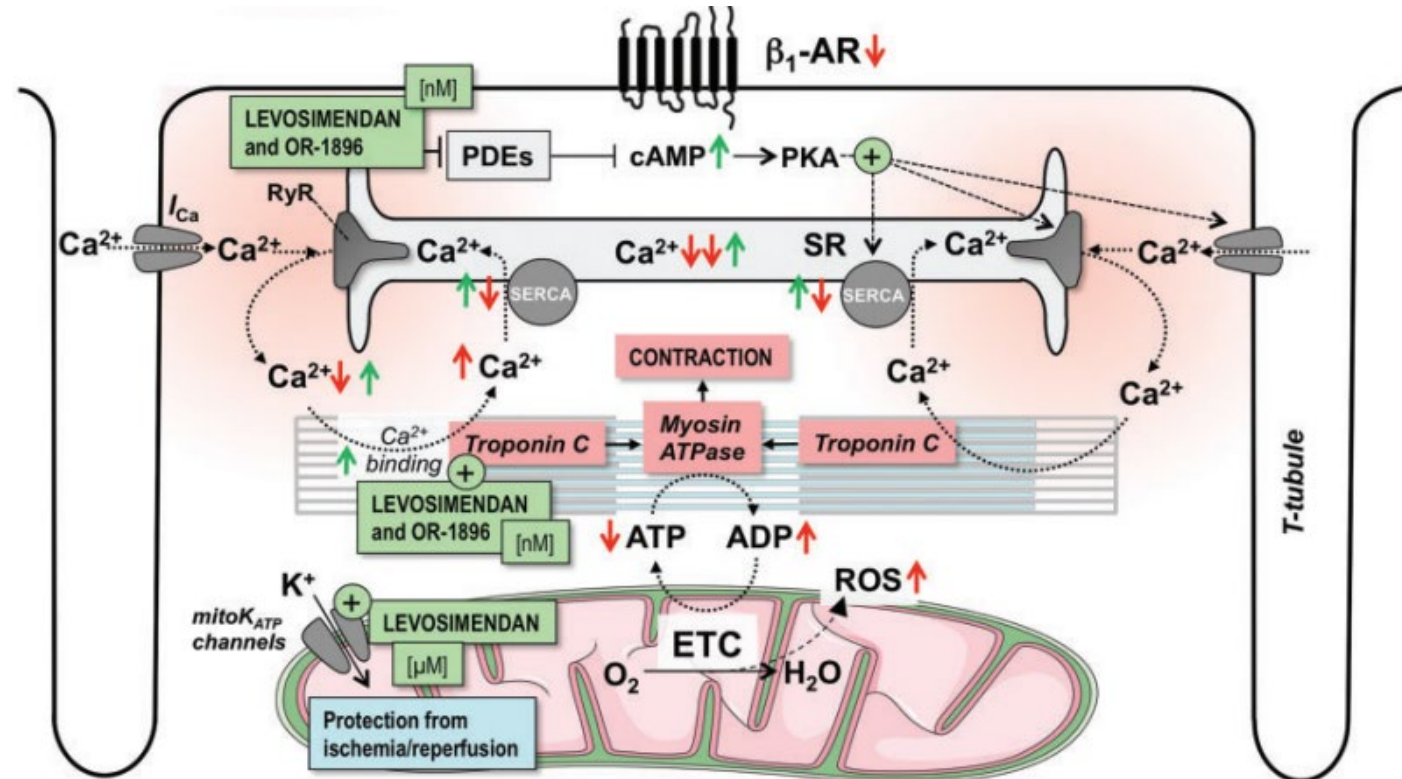
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| BNP | 40 pg/mL | | 95 pg/mL | | 239 pg/mL | 357 pg/mL | 396 pg/mL |
| PVC | 7 mmHg | 10 mmHg | 14 mmHg | 10 mmHg | 8 mmHg | 10 mmHg | 9 mmHg |
| PCWP | 15 mmHg | 13 mmHg | 16 mmHg | 16 mmHg | 13 mmHg | 15 mmHg | 20 mmHg |
| SVO2 | 65% | 63% | | 69% | 45% | 60% | |
| Transeptal cannula Q | 1,5 L/m | 1,5 L/m | 1,5 L/m | 1,5 L/m | 1,5 L/m | 1,4 L/m | 1,4 L/m |
| CRRT | | √ | √ | √ | | √ | √ |
| Ecocardiography | IVS,AW,PW 20 mm | | | | IVS,AW,PW 17 mm | | IVS,AW,PW 15 mm |

Off label high-dose corticosteroids:
DESAMETASONE
20mg QD for 3 days

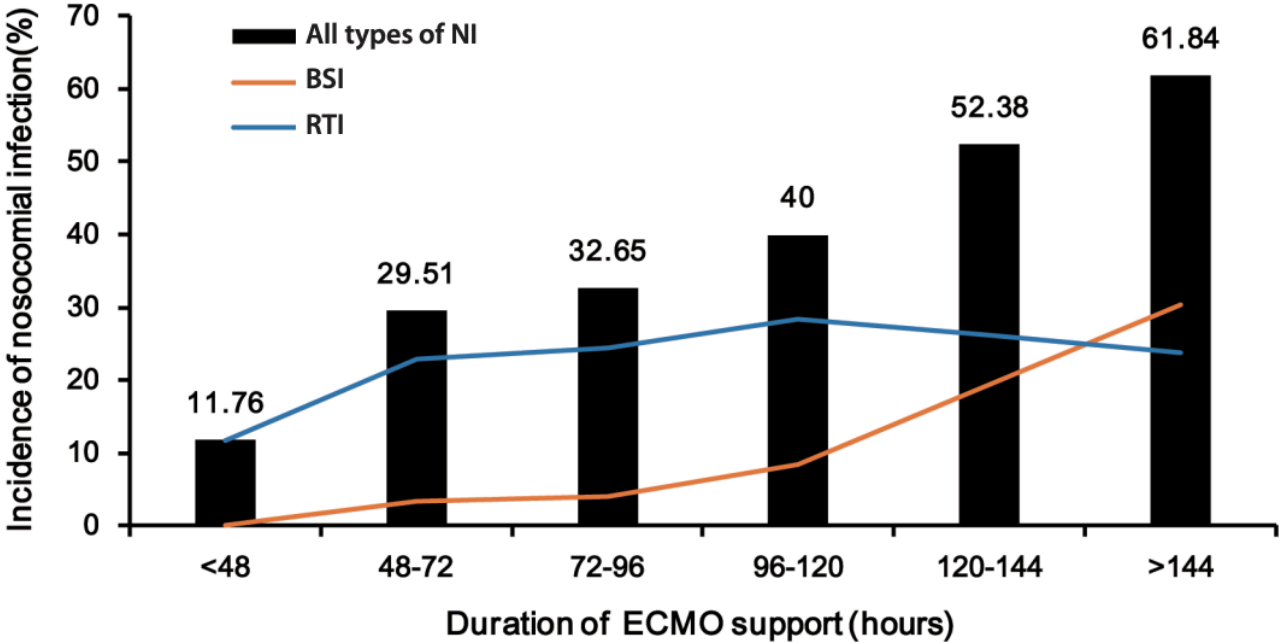
Weaning - when and how?

Levosimendan as a pleiotropic agent:

- Inotropic (troponin C e PDE3 inib)
- Vasodilator (K^+ channel_{ATP})
- Cardioprotective (mitochondrial K^+ channel_{ATP})
- Lusitropic (diastolic relaxation)

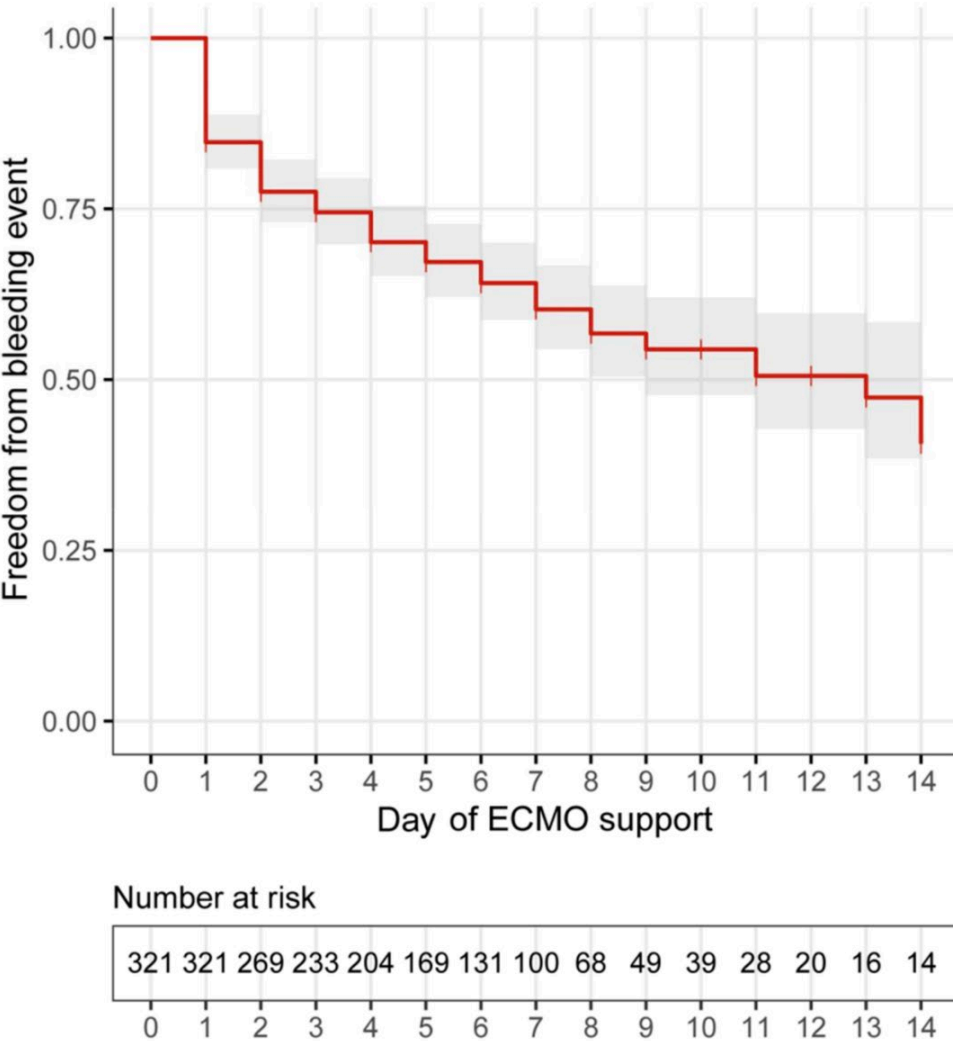


Infection and bleeding



| | | | | | | |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Infection patients | 4 | 18 | 16 | 24 | 22 | 47 |
| Patients at risk | 34 | 61 | 49 | 60 | 42 | 76 |

Figure 2. Kaplan-Meier curve: time from ECMO initiation to bleeding event ($n = 321$, median estimate 13 days, 95% CI 9.3–16.7). ECMO: extracorporeal membrane oxygenation.

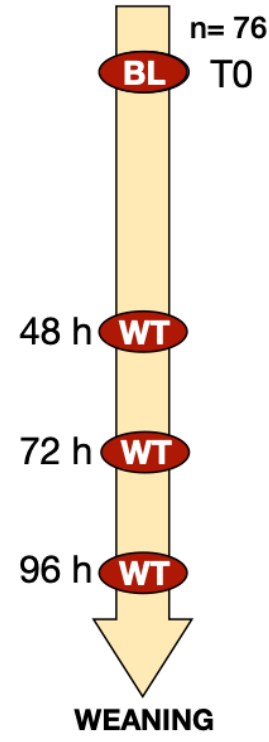
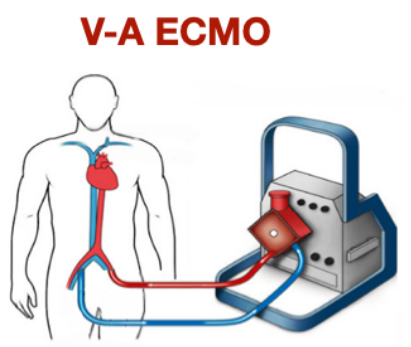
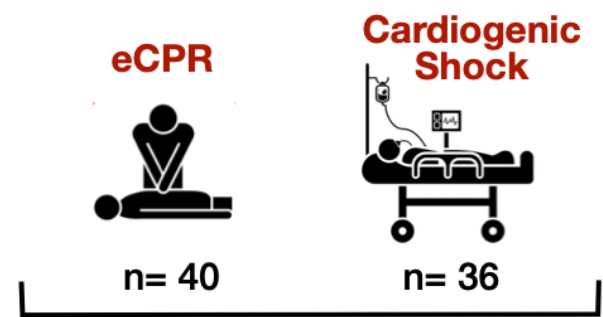


Number at risk

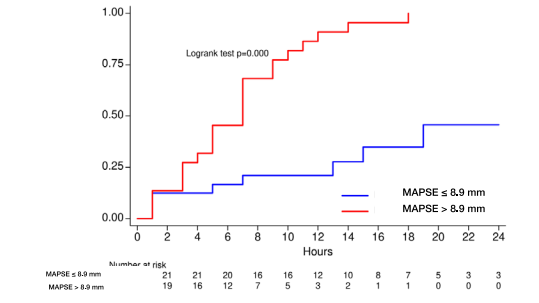
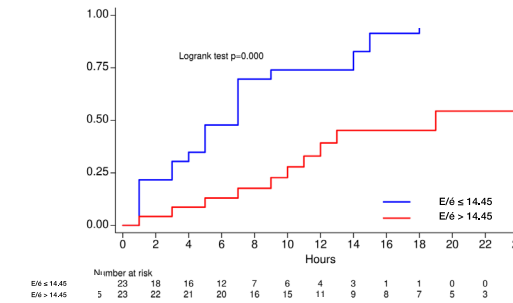
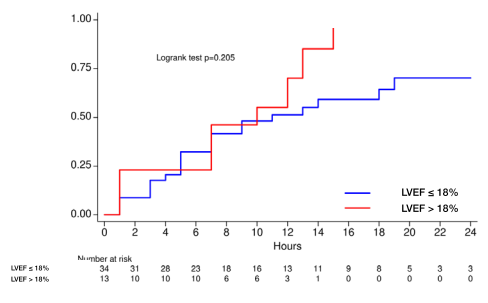
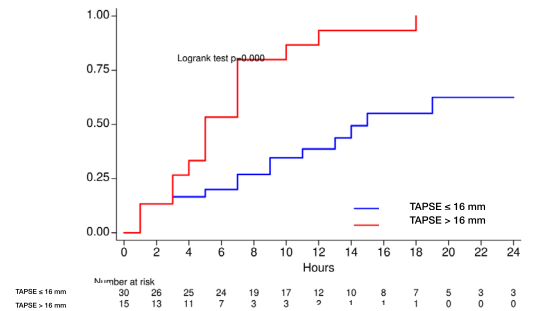
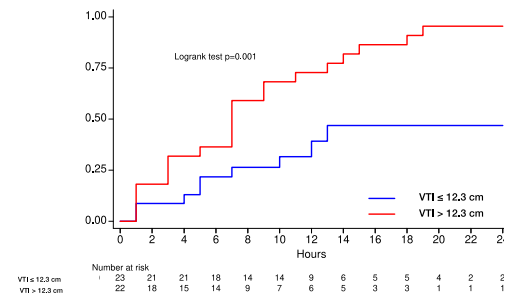
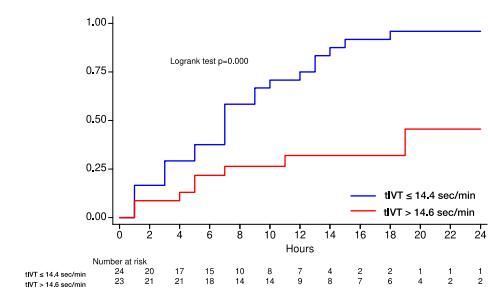
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| 321 | 321 | 269 | 233 | 204 | 169 | 131 | 100 | 68 | 49 | 39 | 28 | 20 | 16 | 14 |
| 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |

Echocardiographic parameters for weaning from Extracorporeal Membrane

Oxygenation – a physiological approach



BL = Baseline
WT = Weaning Trial



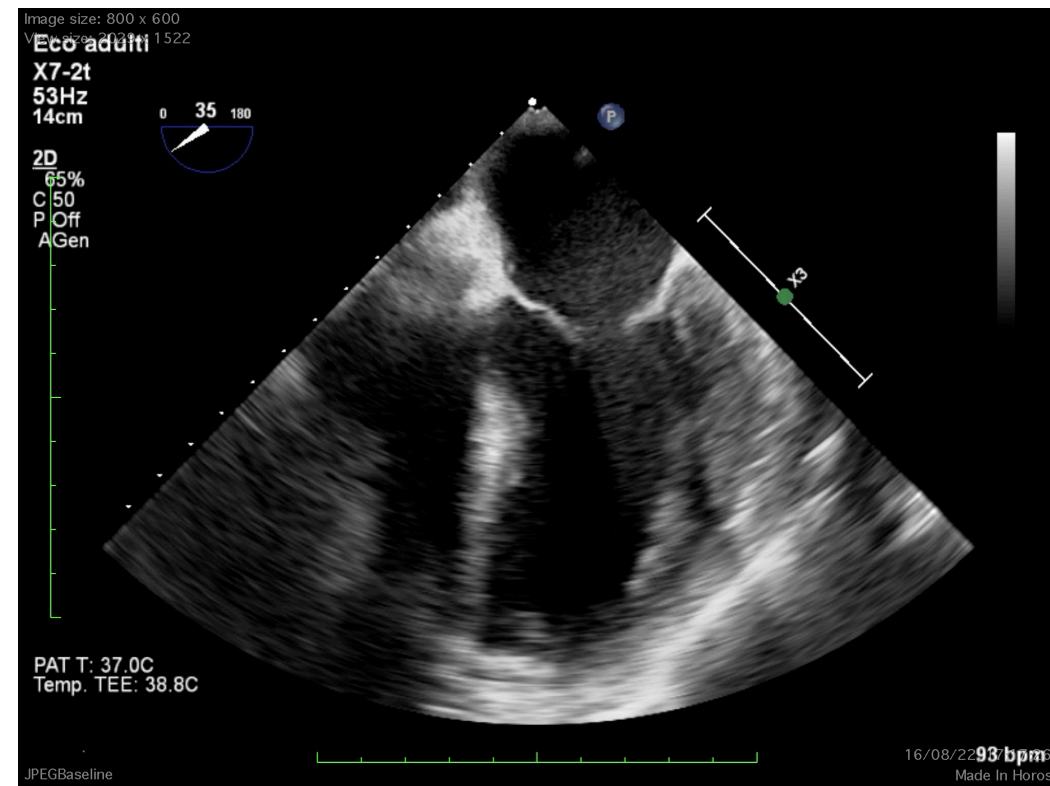


ICU ward

Target: reduce anticoagulation



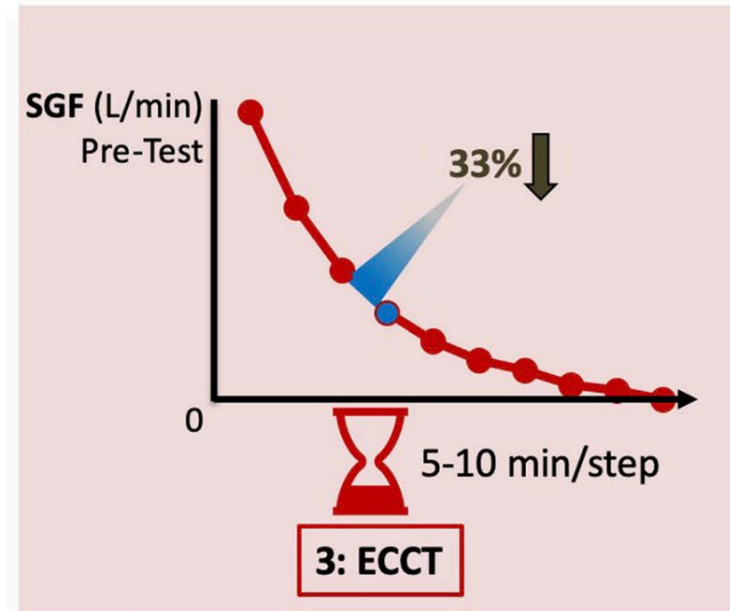
- Echocardiography:
 - LV performance still unable to remove ECMO
 - RV systolic function **TAPSE 19 mm** and **PAPi 1.2**



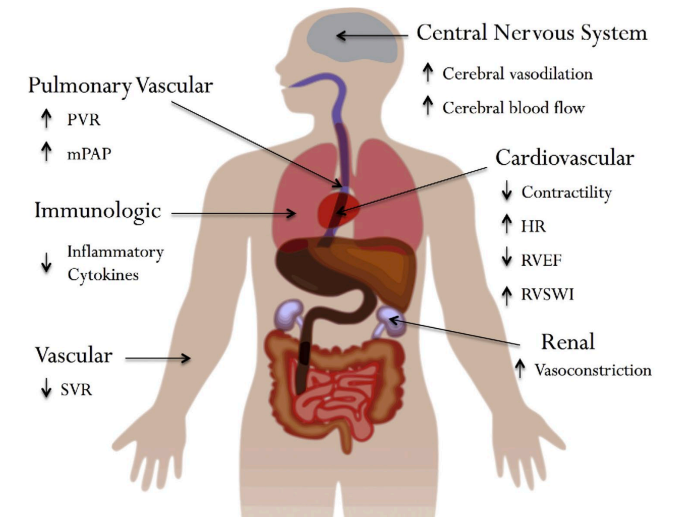
Weaning trial from Oxy ↓

Sweep flow and optimizing ventilation and respiratory mechanics (prote)

Oxy weaning



- ✓ Driving pressure
- ✓ Plateau pressure
- ✓ PEEP
- ✓ FiO_2
- ✓ CP



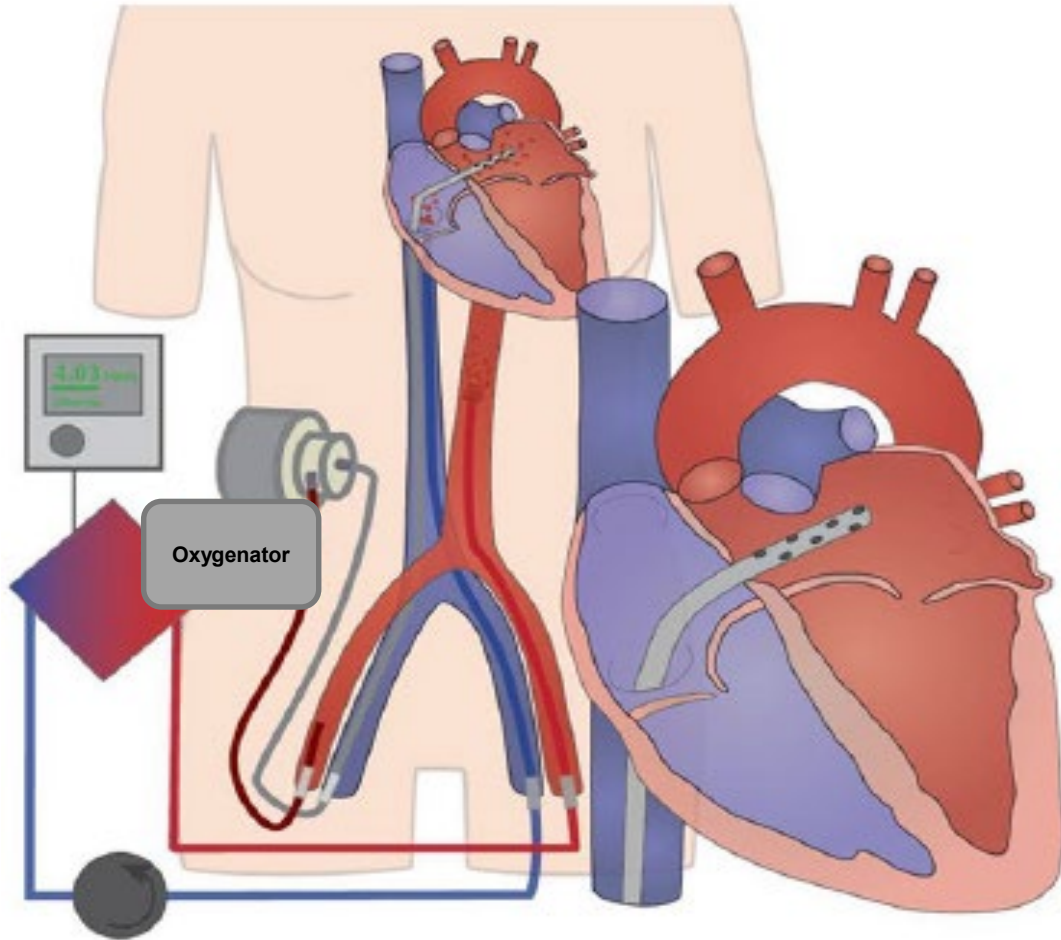
ICU ward



Further reduction of anticoagulation

Day 12
× Oxygenator

LVAD setting Q 2,5 L/m without inotropes



- airway hemorrhage with severe hypoxia occurred
- urgent FBS prevented a new episode of CA
- EmoC + for mdr bacterial (Enterobacter Ludwigii)

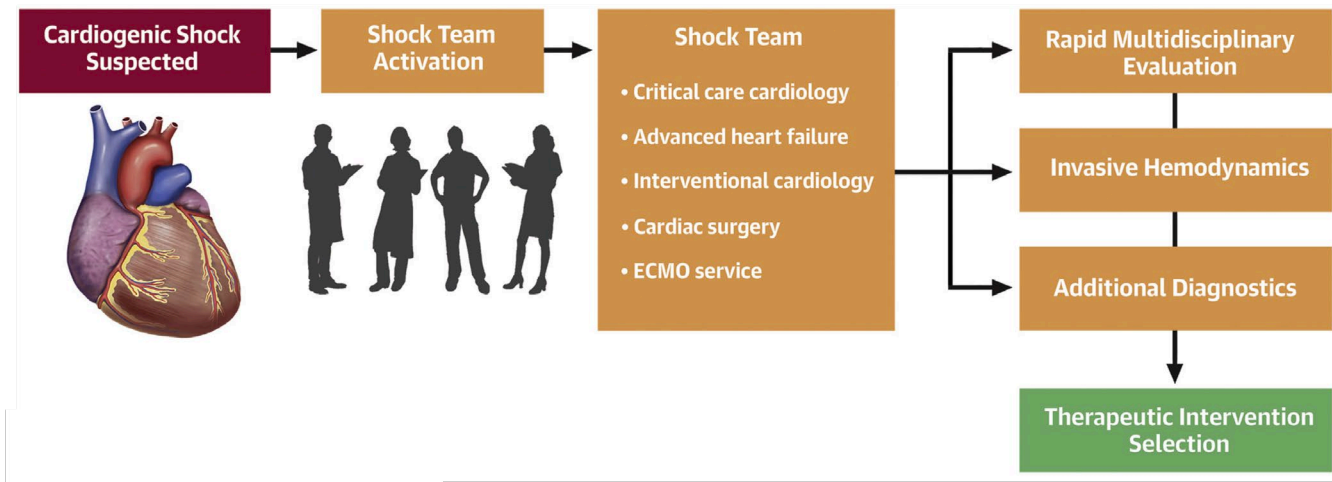
Cardiac transplantation or LVAD as destination therapy?

Contraindications

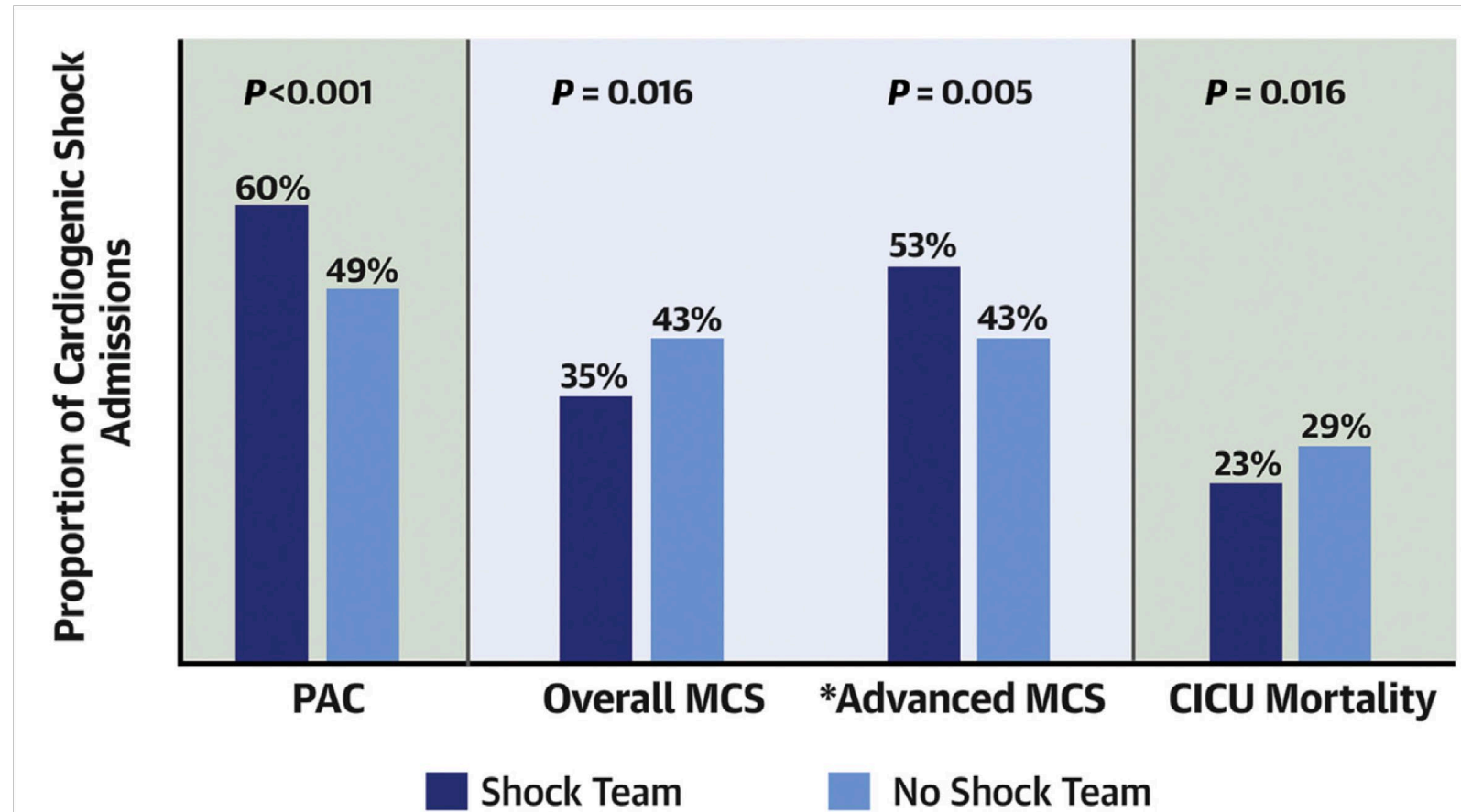
- Cerebellum acute ischemia
- Alveolar bleeding
- Severe hemodynamics impairment (Intermacs 1)
- Refractory AKI and the need of hemodialysis treatment
- Mdr bacterial colonization (E.Ludwigii)



Management and Outcomes of Cardiogenic Shock in Cardiac ICUs With Versus Without Shock Teams

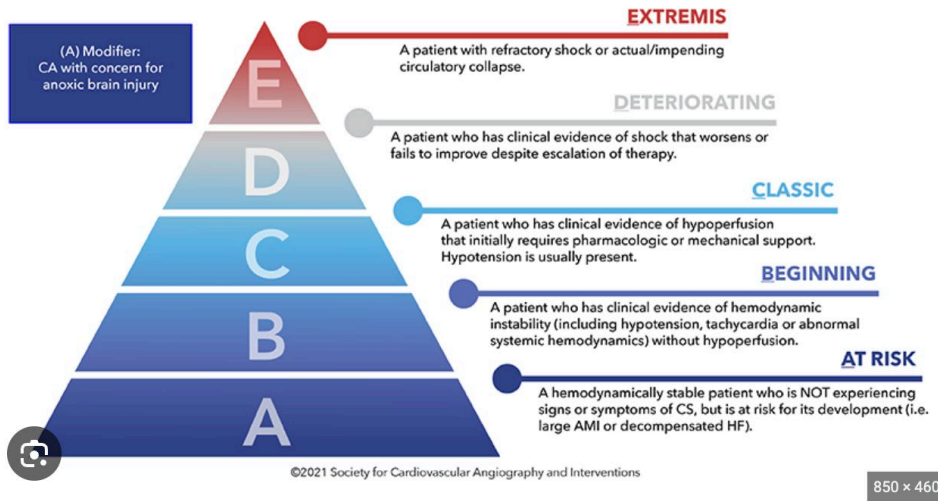


| Shock Team vs No Shock Team Center Population Characteristics | |
|---|--------------|
| Cardiogenic shock admissions (n) | 546 vs 696 |
| AMI-CS (%) | 27 vs 28 |
| Admission lactate (mmol/L) | 2.3 vs 2.3 |
| PCWP (mm Hg) | 25 vs 22 |
| CI (L/min/m ²) | 1.9 vs 2.0 |
| CPO (W) | 0.62 vs 0.64 |



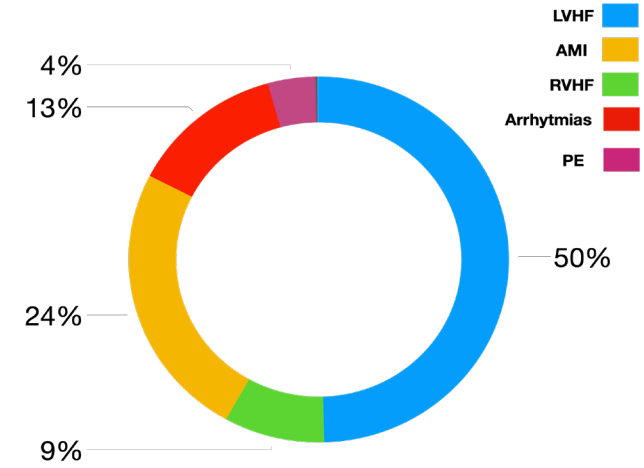
Gaps in evidence in CS

- Phenotypes - features and management



Italian Nationwide Registry of CS in ICU

11298 patients



Gaps in evidence in CS

- Phenotypes - features and management
- MCS – kind, timing

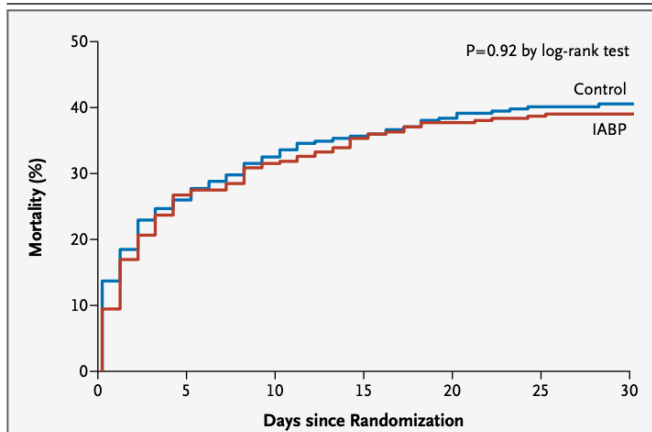


Figure 1. Time-to-Event Curves for the Primary End Point.

Time-to-event curves are shown through 30 days after randomization for the primary end point of all-cause mortality. Event rates represent Kaplan-Meier estimates.

N Engl J Med 2012;367:1287-96.

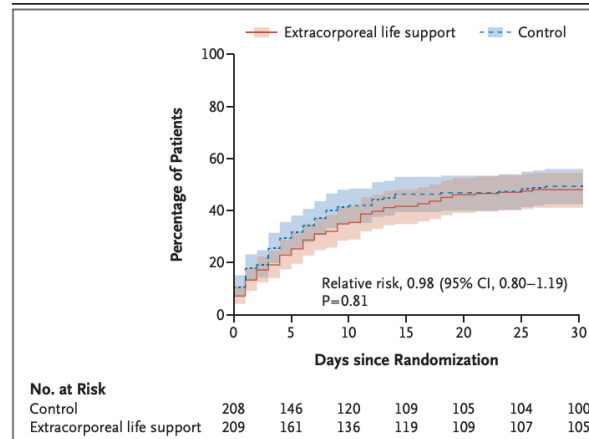
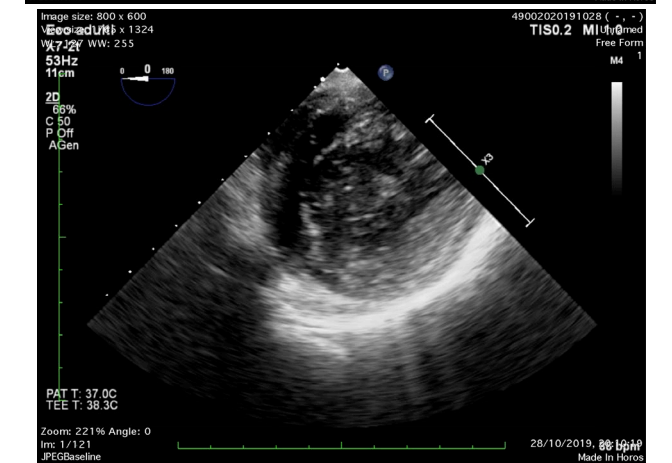
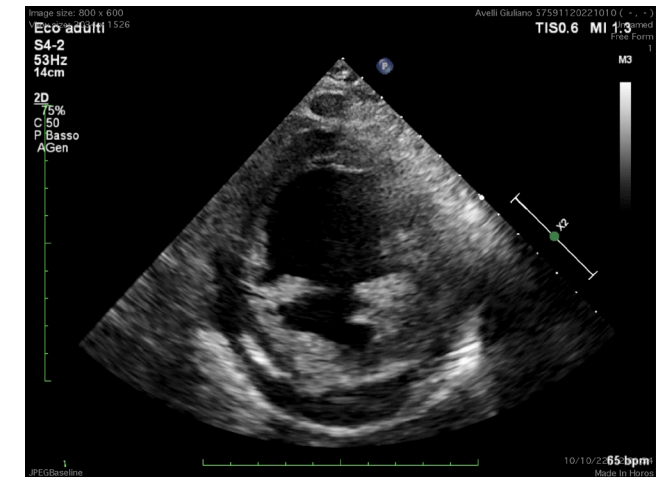
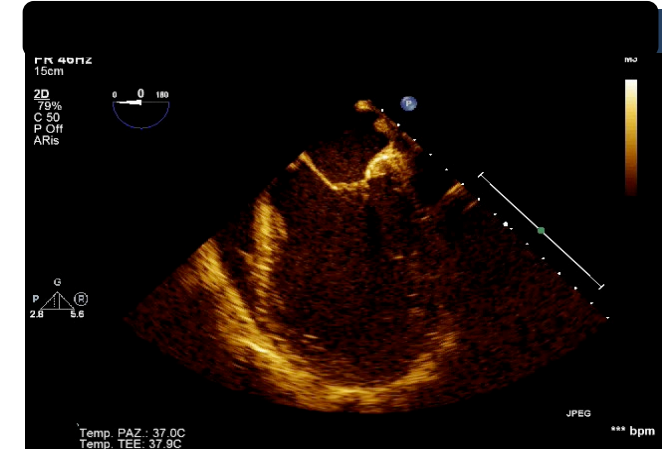


Figure 1. Death from Any Cause at 30 Days.

Shown are the time-to-event curves for death from any cause at 30 days (the primary outcome) among the patients who received extracorporeal life support plus medical therapy as compared with those who received only medical therapy (control). The shaded areas indicate the 95% confidence intervals.

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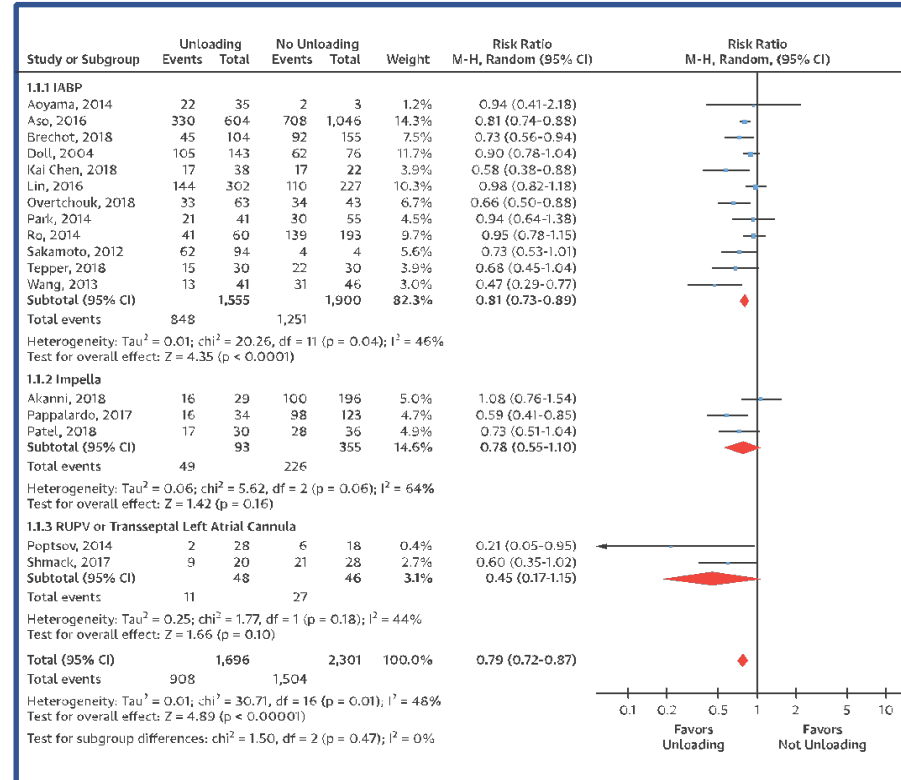


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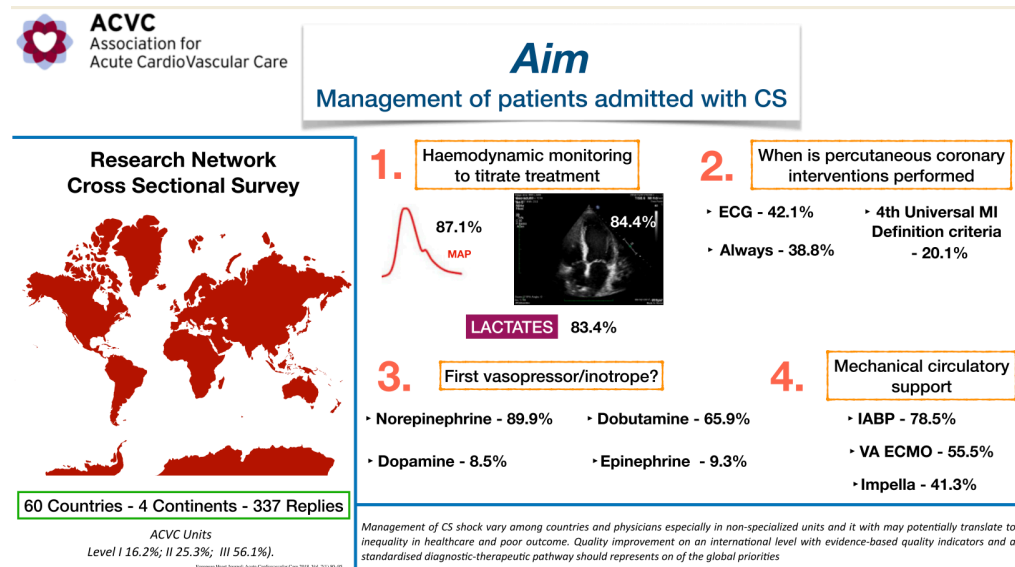
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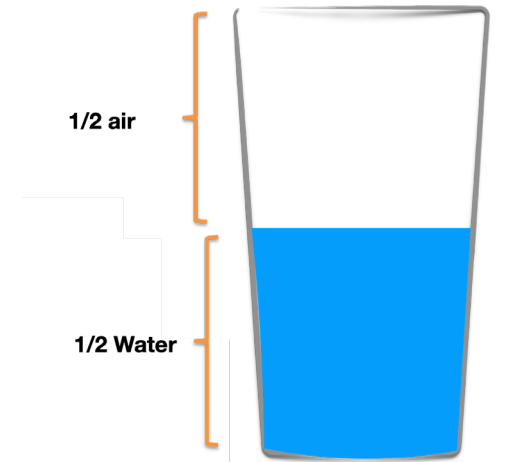


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