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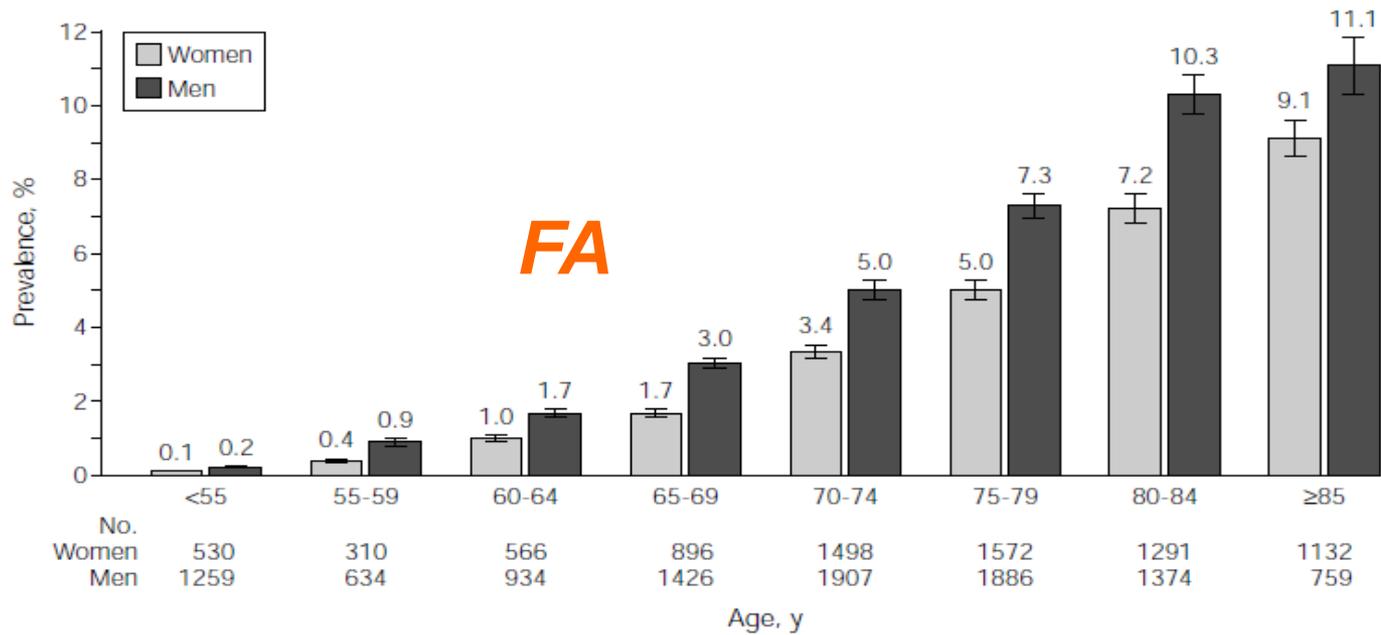
## ***Fibrillation Auriculaire et Hypertension Artérielle***

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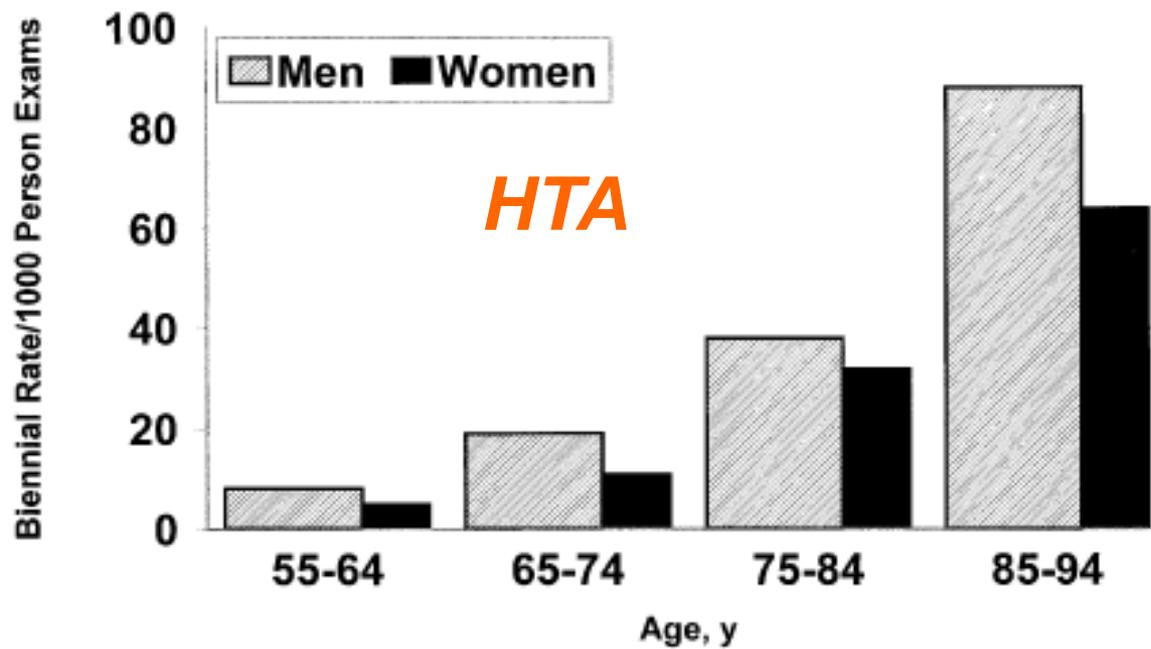


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*Go et al, JAMA 2001*



*Kannel et al,  
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# Risk factors for Atrial fibrillation (Framingham Heart study)

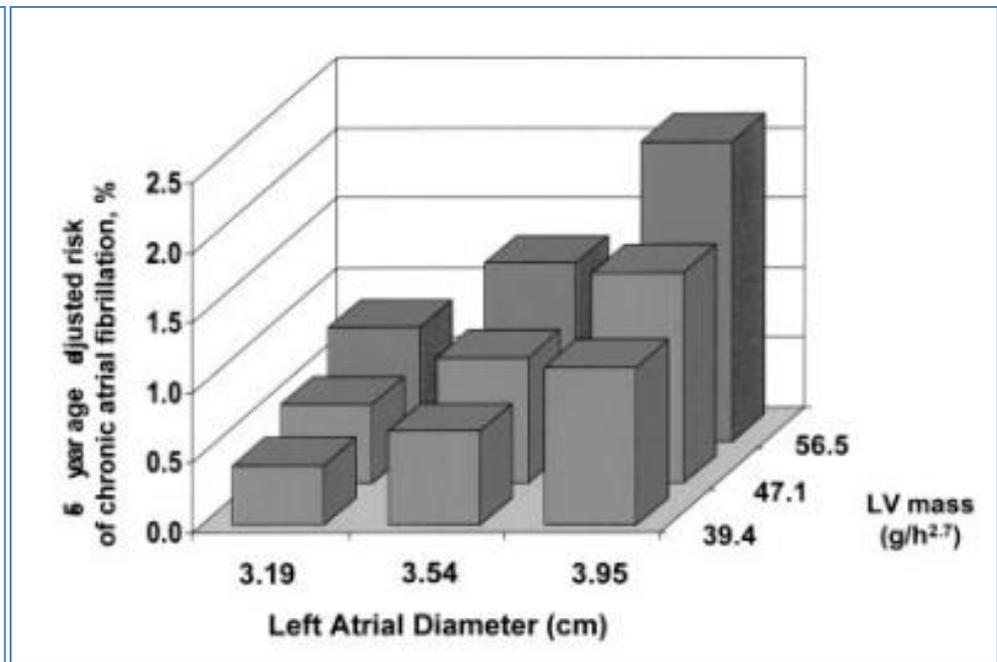
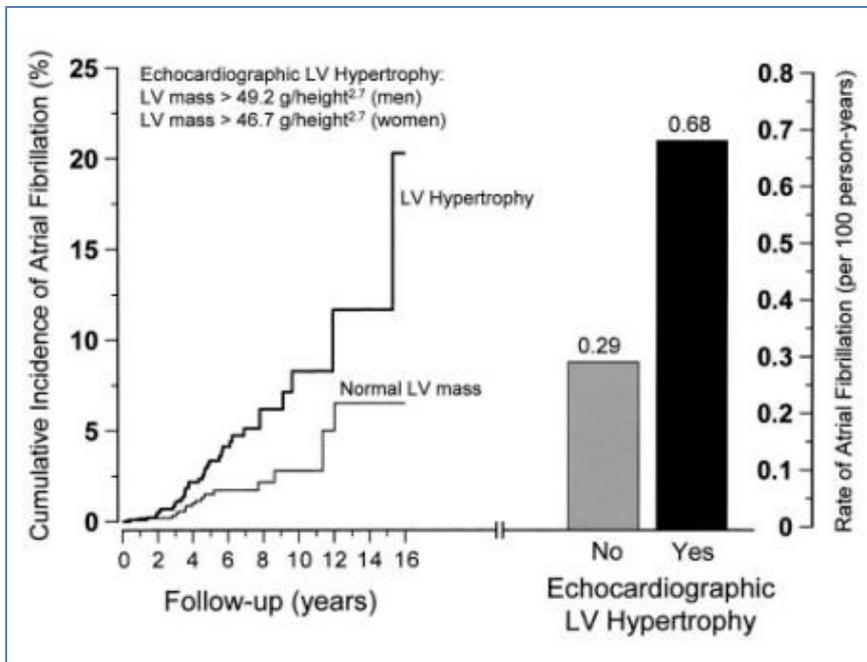
Risk Factors	Age-Adjusted OR		Risk Factor-Adjusted OR	
	Men	Women	Men	Women
Cigarettes	1.0	1.4 <sup>†</sup>	1.1	1.4
Diabetes	1.7 <sup>‡</sup>	2.1 <sup>§</sup>	1.4 <sup>†</sup>	1.6 <sup>‡</sup>
ECG-LVH	3.0 <sup>§</sup>	3.8 <sup>§</sup>	1.4	1.3
Hypertension	1.8 <sup>§</sup>	1.7 <sup>§</sup>	1.5 <sup>†</sup>	1.4 <sup>†</sup>
BMI	1.03	1.02	—	—
Alcohol	1.01	0.95	—	—

BMI = body mass index; ECG-LVH = echocardiographic left ventricular hypertrophy; OR = odds ratio.

\*2-year pooled logistic regression; <sup>†</sup>p < 0.05; <sup>‡</sup>p < 0.01; <sup>§</sup>p < 0.001.

Adapted from JAMA.<sup>7</sup>

# 2482 hypertendus en rythme sinusale → suivi 16 ans max



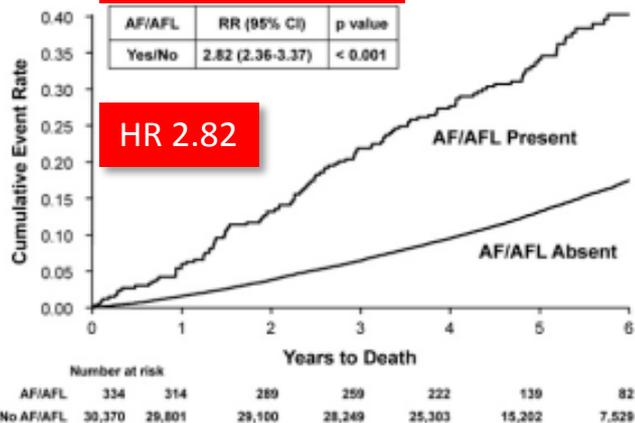
**Nouvelle FA**  
**0,46 / 100 année-patients**

*Verdecchia et al, Hypertension 2003*

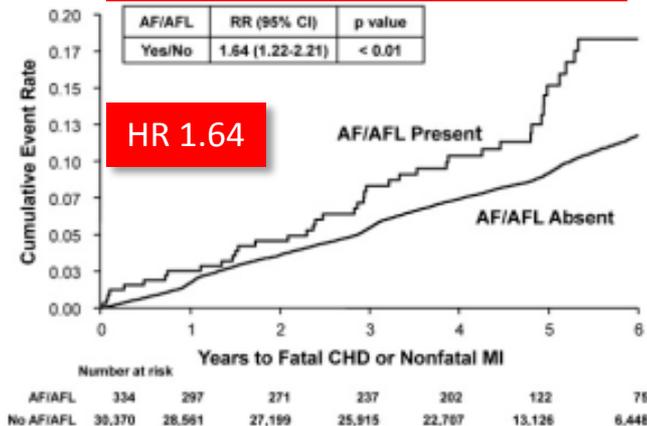
# Etude ALLHAT

(N=39056 pts / FA = 1.1% à l'entrée)

## Mortalité globale

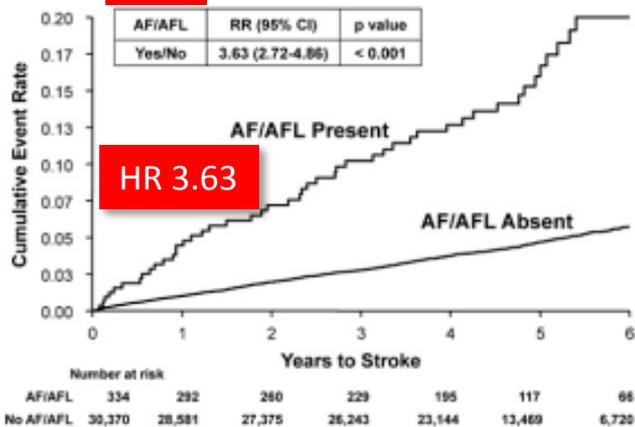


## Mort par coronaropathie / IDM

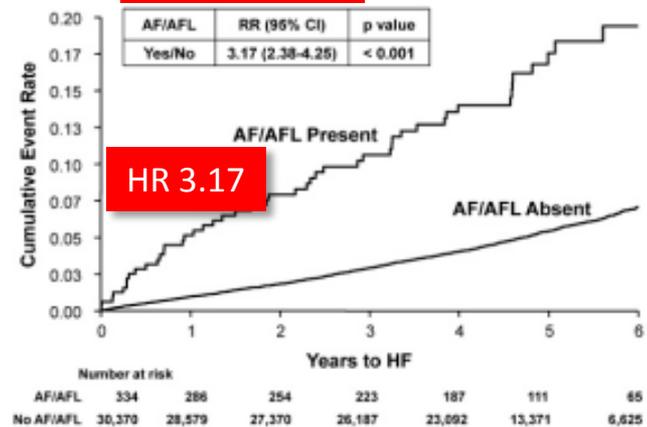


Mortalité x 2.5  
FA à l'entrée ou  
en cours d'étude

## AVC



## Ins cardiaque



CHADS <sub>2</sub>		
	Risk Factor	Points
C	Congestive heart failure	1
<b>H</b>	<b>Hypertension</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>A</b>	<b>Age ≥75 years</b>	<b>1</b>
D	Diabetes mellitus	1
<b>S<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>Previous stroke or TIA</b>	<b>2</b>

CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc		
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D	Diabetes Mellitus	1
<b>S<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>Previous stroke or TIA</b>	<b>2</b>
V	Vascular disease	1
<b>A</b>	<b>Age 65-74 years</b>	<b>1</b>
Sc	Sex (female gender)	1

HAS-BLED		
	Risk Factor	Points
<b>H</b>	<b>Hypertension</b>	<b>1</b>
A	Abnormal liver and renal function (1 point each)	1 or 2
<b>S</b>	<b>Stroke</b>	<b>1</b>
B	Bleeding	1
L	Labile INR	1
<b>E</b>	<b>Elderly (age &gt;65)</b>	<b>1</b>
D	Drugs or alcohol (1 point each)	1 or 2

High risk if > 3

*CHADS<sub>2</sub>, CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc and HAS-BLED scores for ischemic stroke and bleeding risk stratification:*



# **2016 ESC Guidelines for the management of atrial fibrillation developed in collaboration with EACTS**

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# Qui anticoaguler?

## Score CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc... Toujours d'actualité

CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc risk factor	Points
<b>Congestive heart failure</b> Signs/symptoms of heart failure or objective evidence of reduced left-ventricular ejection fraction	1
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<b>Vascular disease</b> Previous myocardial infarction, peripheral artery disease, or aortic plaque	1
<b>Age 65–74 years</b>	1
<b>Sex category (female)</b>	1

# Evaluer le risque hémorragique

## Modifiable bleeding risk factors:

Hypertension (especially when systolic blood pressure is  $>160$  mmHg)

Labile INR or time in therapeutic range  $<60\%$  in patients on vitamin K antagonists

Medication predisposing to bleeding, such as antiplatelet drugs and non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs

Excess alcohol ( $\geq 8$  drinks/week)

## Potentially modifiable bleeding risk factors:

Anaemia

Impaired renal function

Impaired liver function

Reduced platelet count or function

## Non-modifiable bleeding risk factors:

Age ( $>65$  years) ( $\geq 75$  years)

History of major bleeding

Previous stroke

Dialysis-dependent kidney disease or renal transplant

Cirrhotic liver disease

Malignancy

Genetic factors

## Biomarker-based bleeding risk factors:

High-sensitivity troponin

Growth differentiation factor-15

Serum creatinine/estimated CrCl

**Les scores à la trappe...**

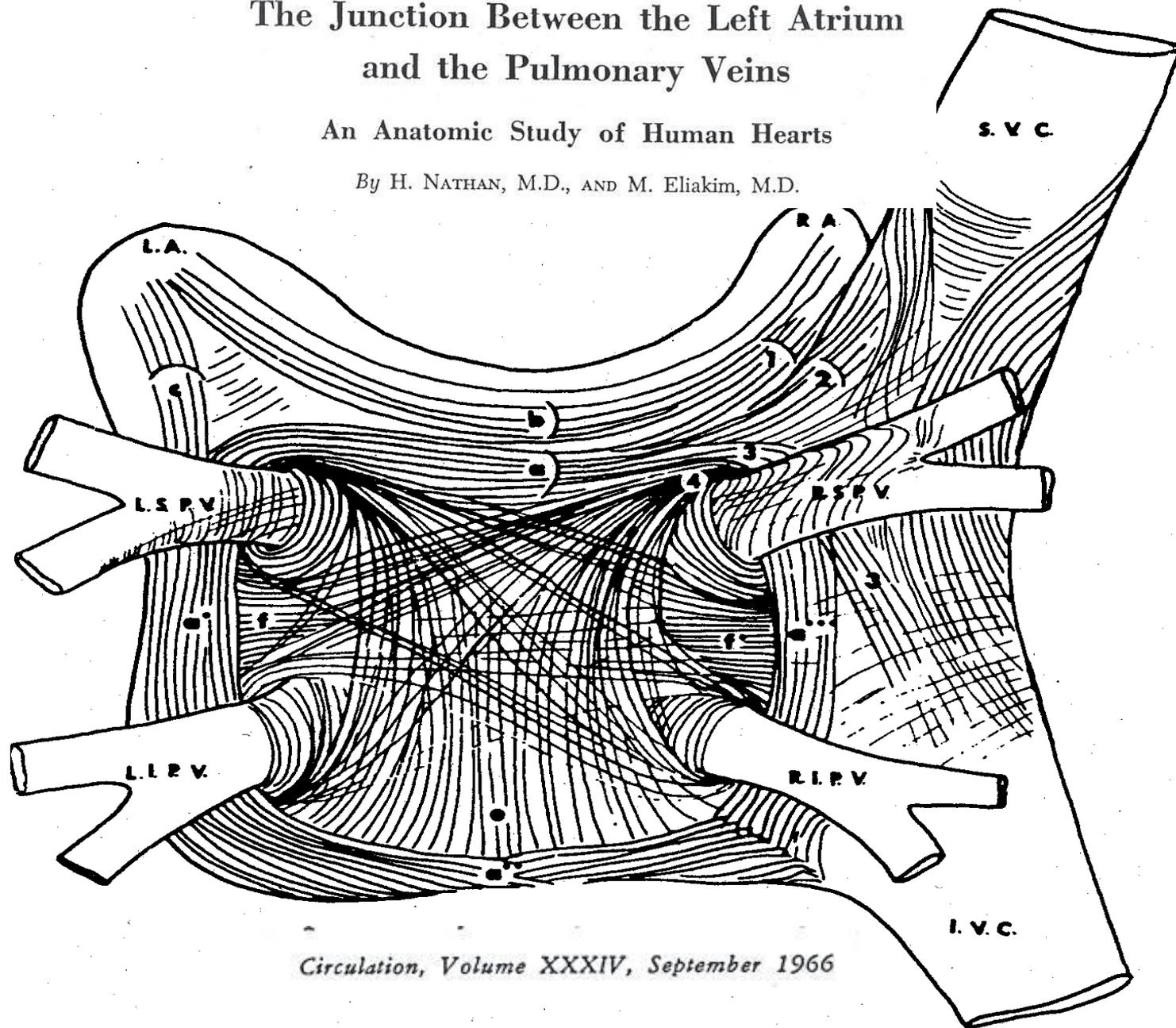
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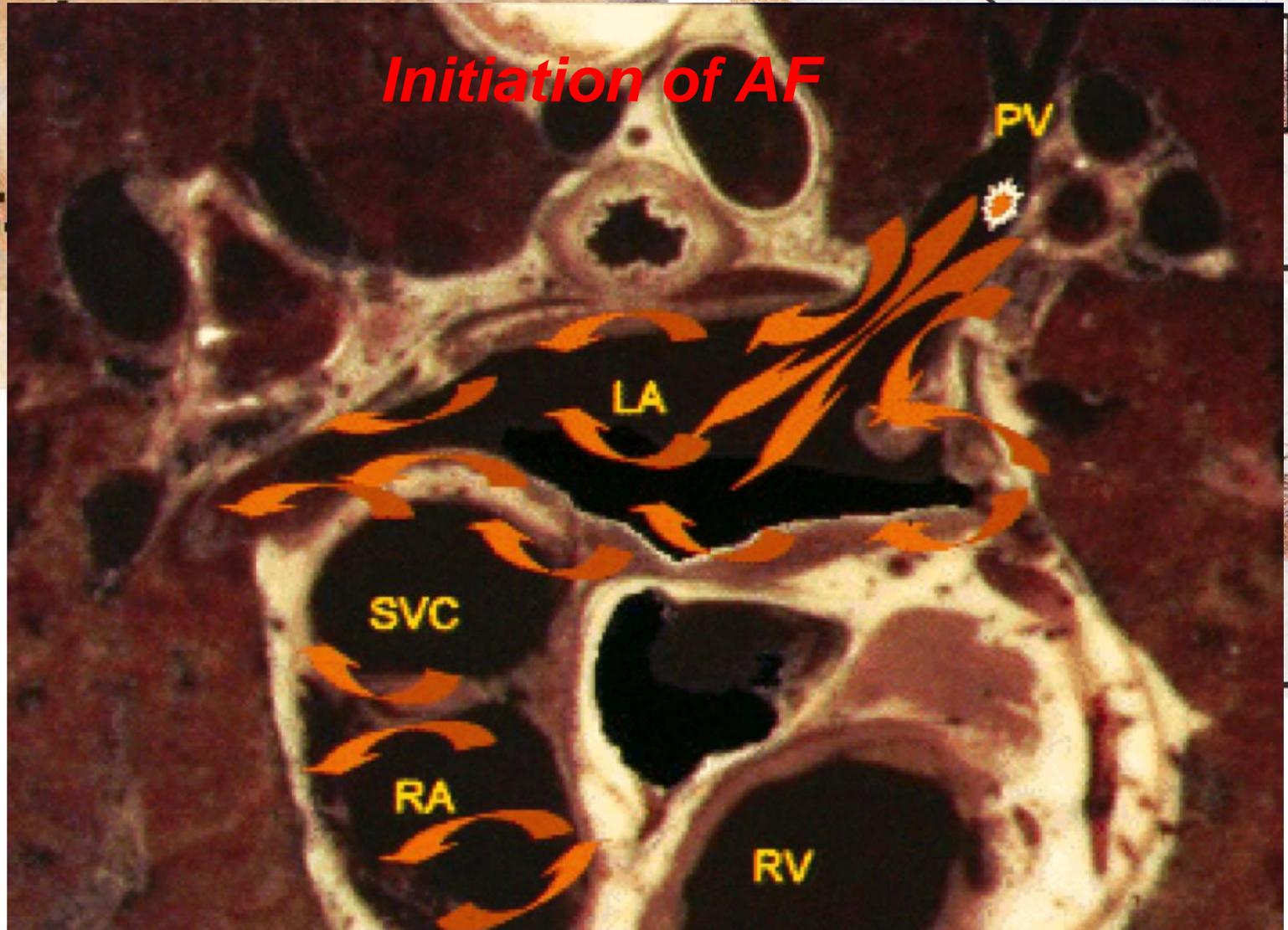
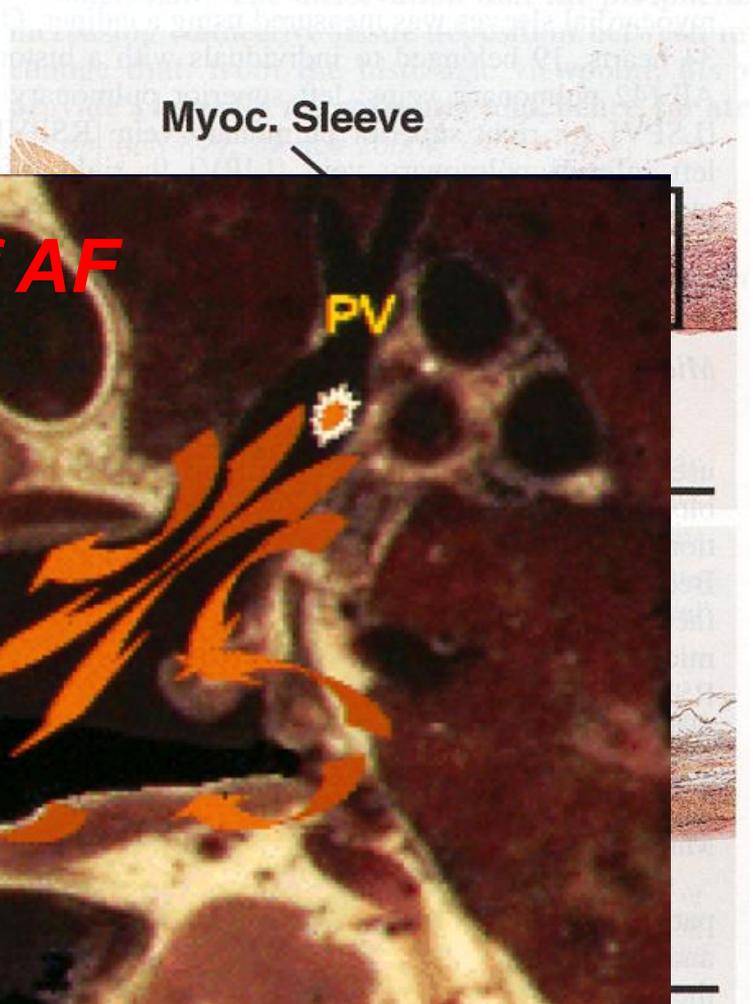
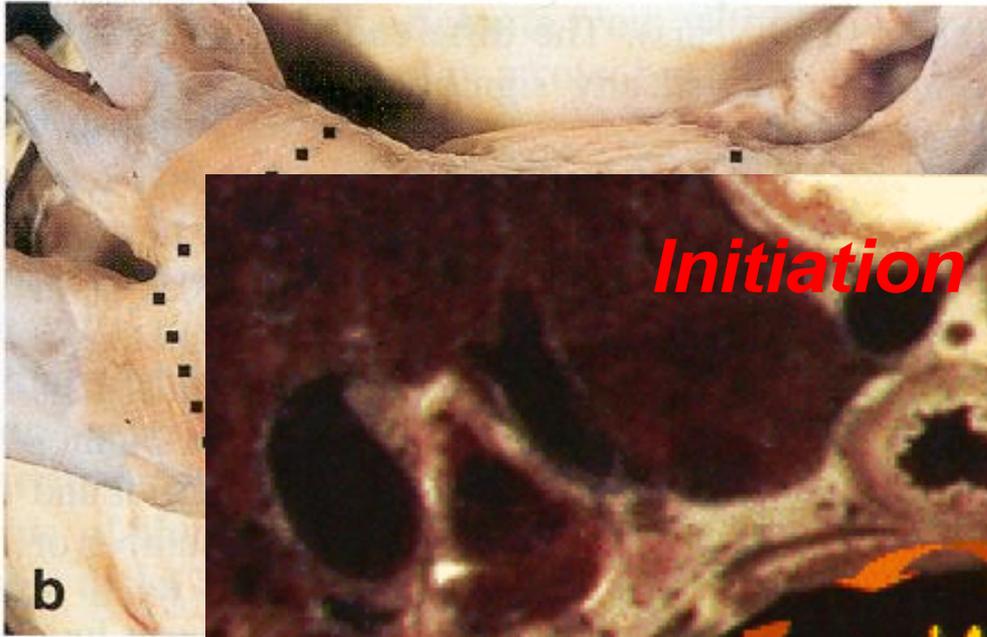
AF pattern	Definition
First diagnosed AF	AF that has not been diagnosed before, irrespective of the duration of the arrhythmia or the presence and severity of AF-related symptoms.
Paroxysmal AF	Self-terminating, in most cases within 48 hours. Some AF paroxysms may continue for up to 7 days. AF episodes that are cardioverted within 7 days should be considered paroxysmal.
Persistent AF	AF that lasts longer than 7 days, including episodes that are terminated by cardioversion, either with drugs or by direct current cardioversion, after 7 days or more.
Long-standing persistent AF	Continuous AF lasting for $\geq 1$ year when it is decided to adopt a rhythm control strategy.
Permanent AF	AF that is accepted by the patient (and physician). Hence, rhythm control interventions are, by definition, not pursued in patients with permanent AF. Should a rhythm control strategy be adopted, the arrhythmia would be re-classified as 'long-standing persistent AF'.

# The Junction Between the Left Atrium and the Pulmonary Veins

An Anatomic Study of Human Hearts

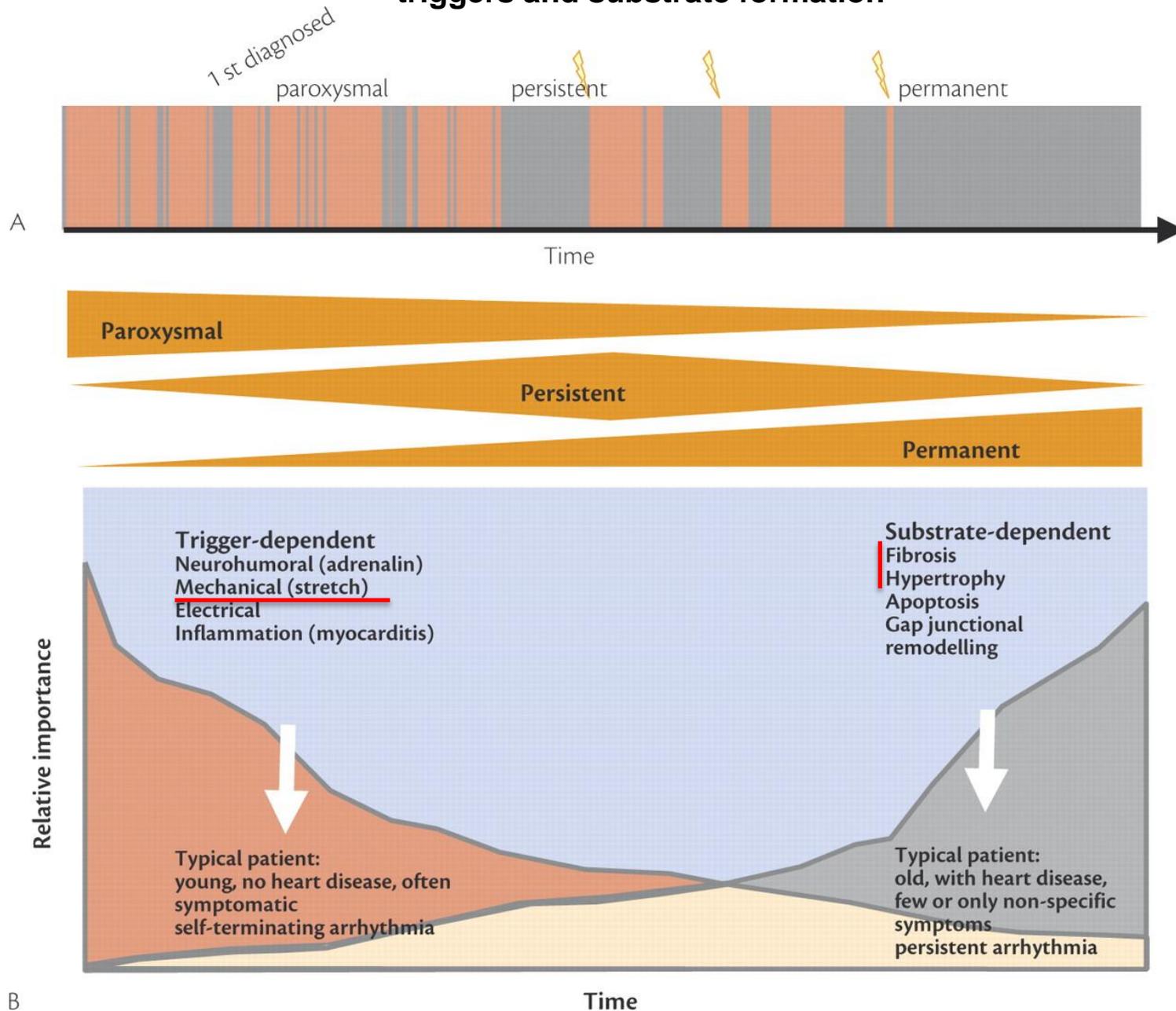
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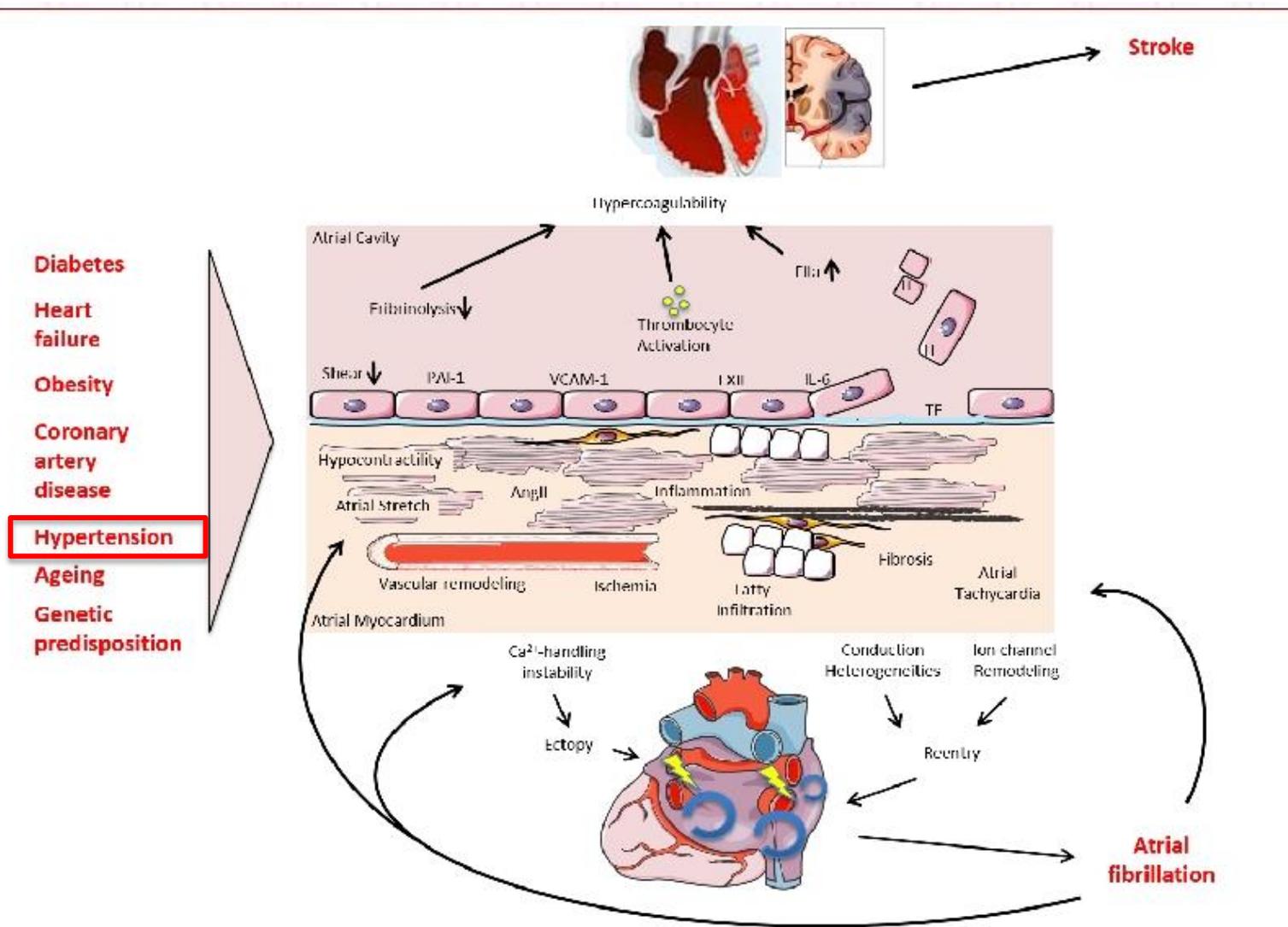


*extending into the PV* 12

# Progression of atrial fibrillation from paroxysmal to permanent and the importance of specific triggers and substrate formation



# Major mechanisms causing AF to consider when deciding on management

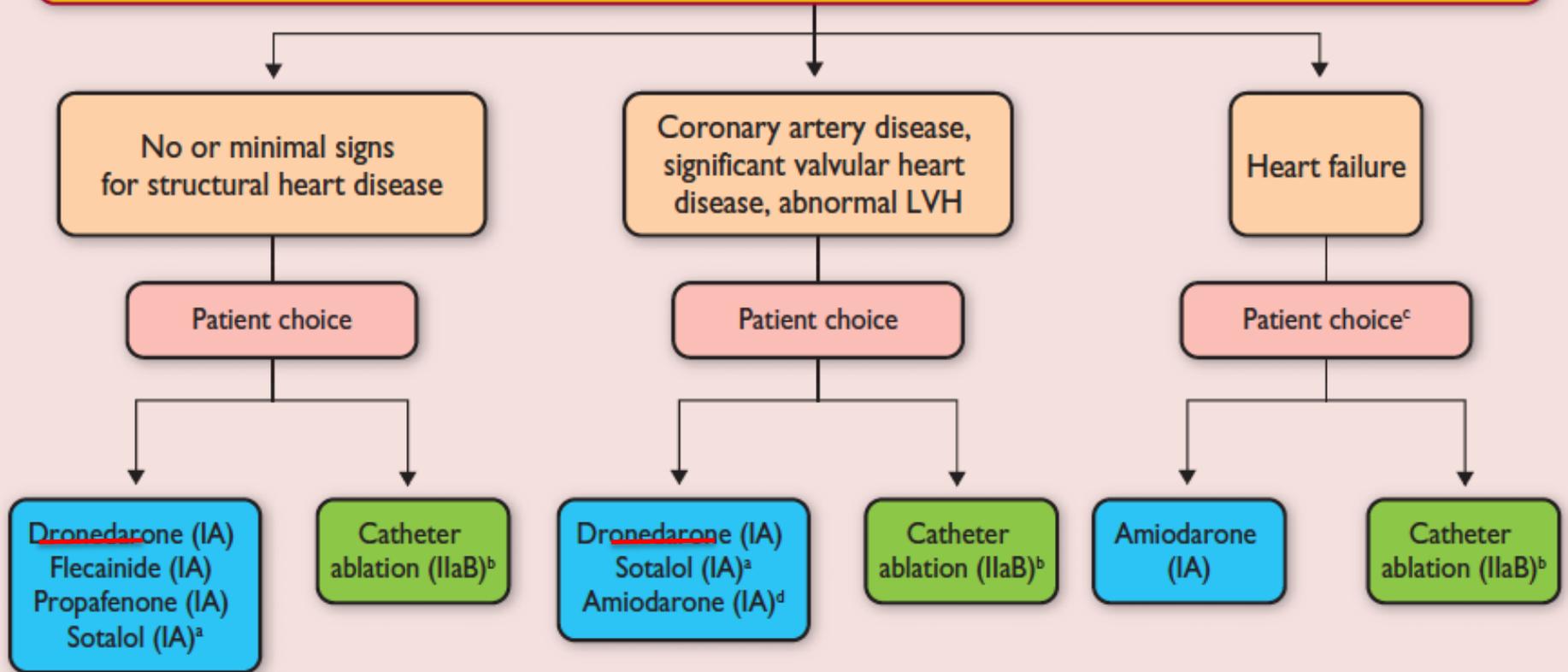


AngII = angiotensin II; TF = tissue factor; FXII = factor XII; IL-6 = interleukin 6; PAI-1 = plasminogen activator inhibitor 1; VCAM-1 = vascular cell adhesion molecule 1

## Cardiovascular and other conditions independently associated with AF

Characteristic/comorbidity	Association with AF
Genetic predisposition (based on multiple common gene variants associated with AF)	HR range 0.4–3.2
Older age 50–59 years 60–69 years 70–79 years 80–89 years	HR: 1.00 (reference) 4.98 (95% CI 3.49–7.10) 7.35 (95% CI 5.28–10.2) 9.33 (95% CI 6.68–13.0)
Hypertension (treated) vs. none	HR 1.32 (95% CI 1.08–1.60)
Heart failure vs. none	HR 1.43 (95% CI 0.85–2.40)
Valvular heart disease vs. none	RR 2.42 (95% CI 1.62–3.60)
Myocardial infarction vs. none	HR 1.46 (95% CI 1.07–1.98)
Thyroid dysfunction Hypothyroidism Subclinical hyperthyroidism Overt hyperthyroidism	(reference: euthyroid) HR 1.23 (95% CI 0.77–1.97) RR 1.31 (95% CI 1.19–1.44) RR 1.42 (95% CI 1.22–1.63)
Obesity (body mass index) None (<25 kg/m <sup>2</sup> ) Overweight (25–30 kg/m <sup>2</sup> ) Obese (≥31 kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	HR: 1.00 (reference) 1.13 (95% CI 0.87–1.46) 1.37 (95% CI 1.05–1.78)
Diabetes mellitus vs. none	HR 1.25 (95% CI 0.98–1.60)

## Initiation of long term rhythm control therapy to improve symptoms in AF



AF = atrial fibrillation; HF = heart failure; LVH = left ventricular hypertrophy;

<sup>a</sup>Sotalol requires careful evaluation of proarrhythmic risk.

<sup>b</sup>Catheter ablation should isolate pulmonary veins and can be performed using radiofrequency or cryoballoon catheters.

<sup>c</sup>Catheter ablation as a first-line therapy is usually reserved for heart failure patients with tachycardiomyopathy.

<sup>d</sup>Amiodarone is a second-choice therapy in many patients because of its extracardiac side-effects.

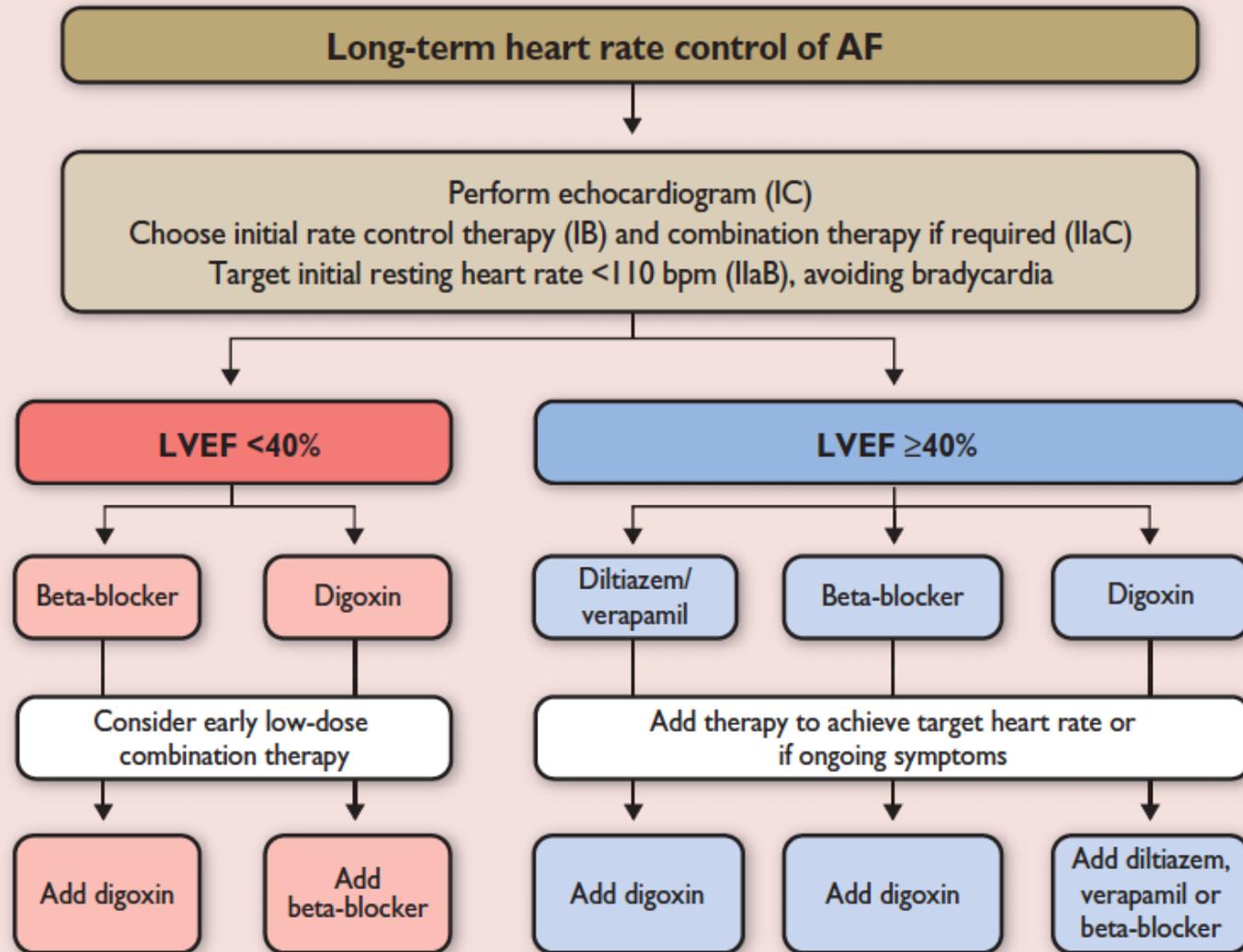
**Initiation of long term rhythm control therapy in symptomatic patients with AF**

# Catheter ablation of atrial fibrillation (1)

Recommendations	Class	Level	
Catheter ablation of symptomatic paroxysmal AF is recommended to improve AF symptoms in patients who have symptomatic recurrences of AF on antiarrhythmic drug therapy (amiodarone, dronedarone, flecainide, propafenone, sotalol) and who prefer further rhythm control therapy, when performed by an electrophysiologist who has received appropriate training and is performing the procedure in an experienced centre.	<b>I</b>	<b>A</b>	
Ablation of common atrial flutter should be considered to prevent recurrent flutter as part of an AF ablation procedure if flutter has been documented or occurs during the AF ablation.	<b>IIa</b>	<b>B</b>	
Catheter ablation of AF should be considered as first-line therapy to prevent recurrent AF and to improve symptoms in selected patients with symptomatic paroxysmal AF as an alternative to antiarrhythmic drug therapy, considering patient choice, benefit, and risk.	<b>IIa</b>	<b>B</b>	
All patients should receive oral anticoagulation for at least 8 weeks after catheter (IIaB) or surgical (IIaC) ablation.	<b>IIa</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>
Anticoagulation for stroke prevention should be continued indefinitely after apparently successful catheter or surgical ablation of AF in patients at high-risk of stroke.	<b>IIa</b>	<b>C</b>	
When catheter ablation of AF is planned, continuation of oral anticoagulation with a VKA (IIaB) or NOAC (IIaC) should be considered during the procedure, maintaining effective anticoagulation.	<b>IIb</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>
Catheter ablation should target isolation of the pulmonary veins using radiofrequency ablation or cryotherapy balloon catheters.	<b>IIa</b>	<b>B</b>	

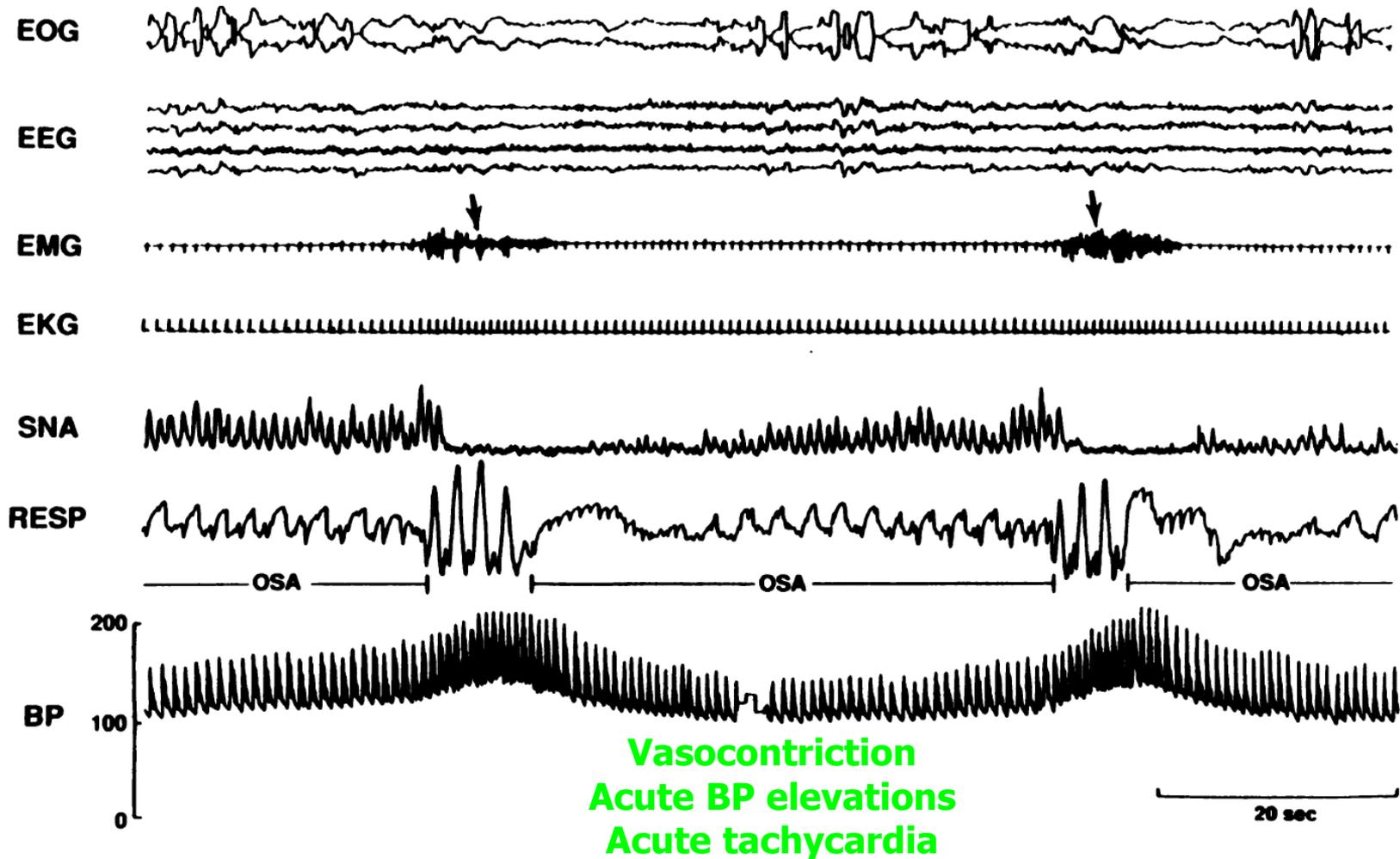
## Catheter ablation of atrial fibrillation (2)

<b>Recommendations</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Level</b>
AF ablation should be considered in symptomatic patients with AF and heart failure with reduced ejection fraction to improve symptoms and cardiac function when tachycardiomyopathy is suspected.	<b>IIa</b>	C
AF ablation should be considered as a strategy to avoid pacemaker implantation in patients with AF-related bradycardia.	<b>IIa</b>	C
Catheter or surgical ablation should be considered in patients with symptomatic persistent or long-standing persistent AF refractory to AAD therapy to improve symptoms, considering patient choice, benefit and risk, supported by an AF Heart Team.	<b>IIa</b>	C



*Long-term heart rate control in patients with atrial fibrillation*

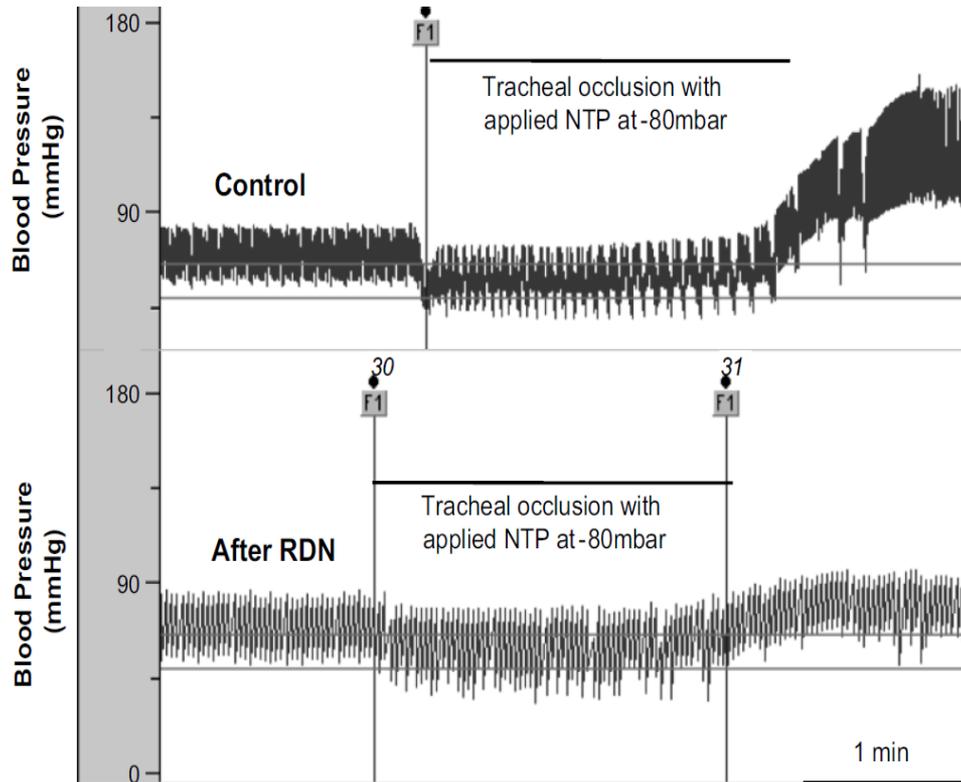
# Mechanisms of arrhythmias in OSA



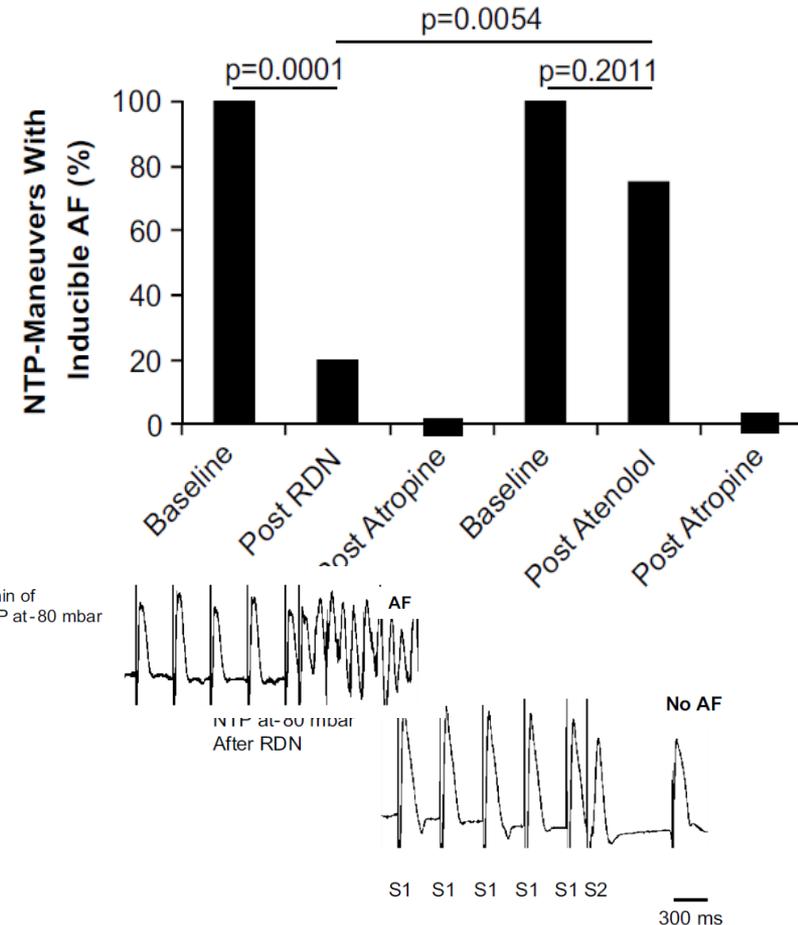
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*J Clin Invest 1995;96:1897-1904*

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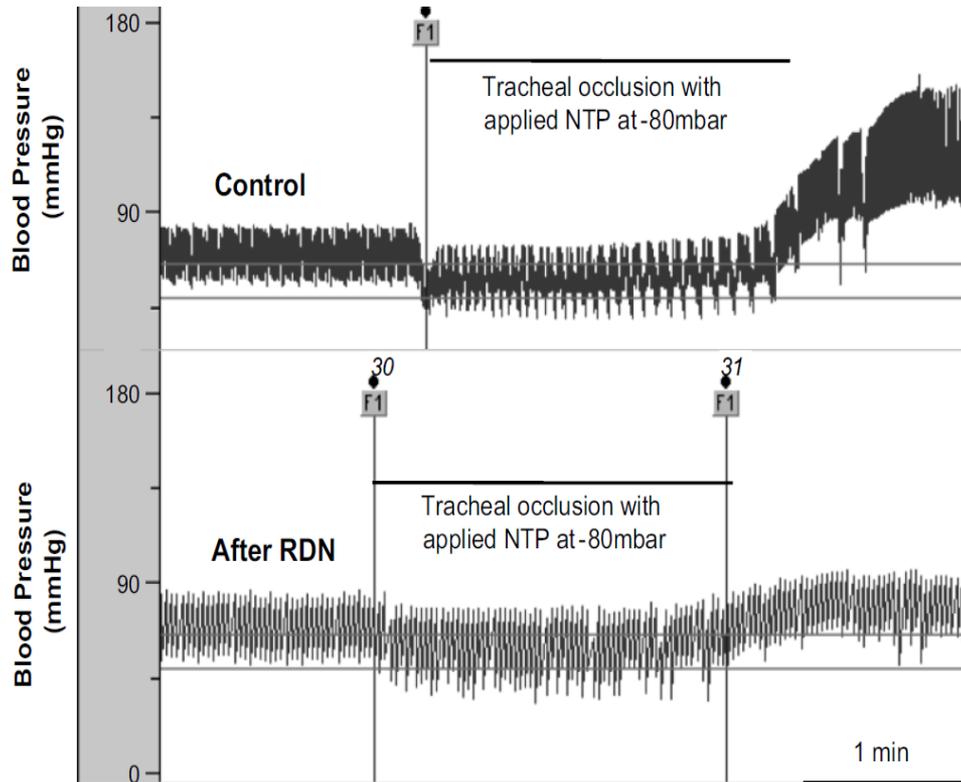
Tracheal occlusion with applied negative tracheal pressure

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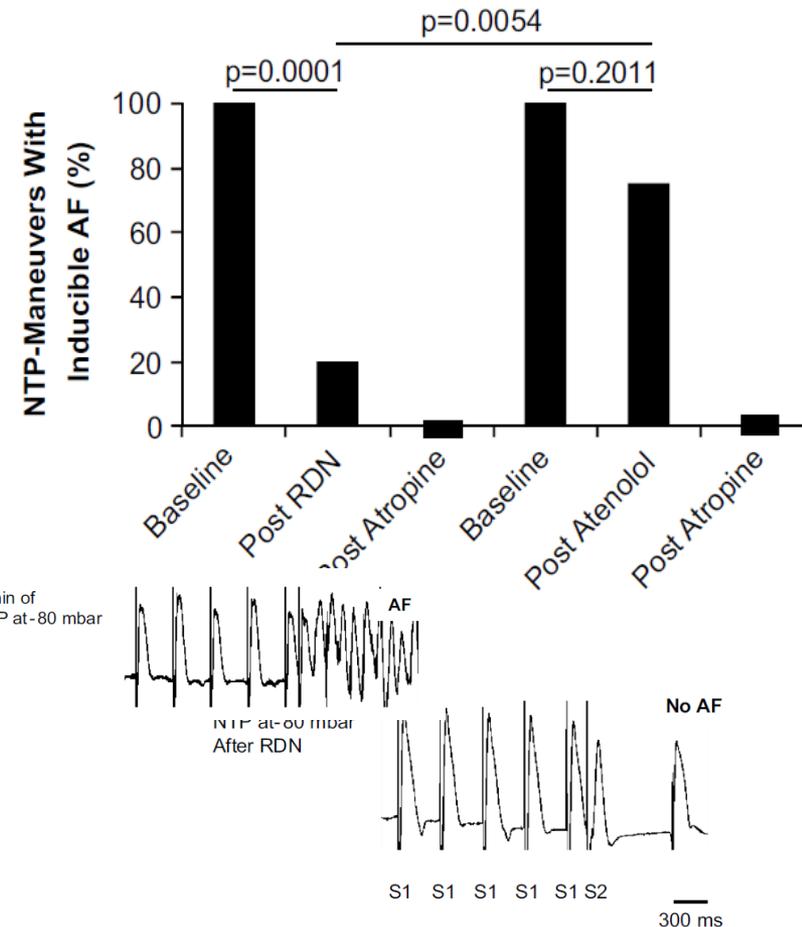
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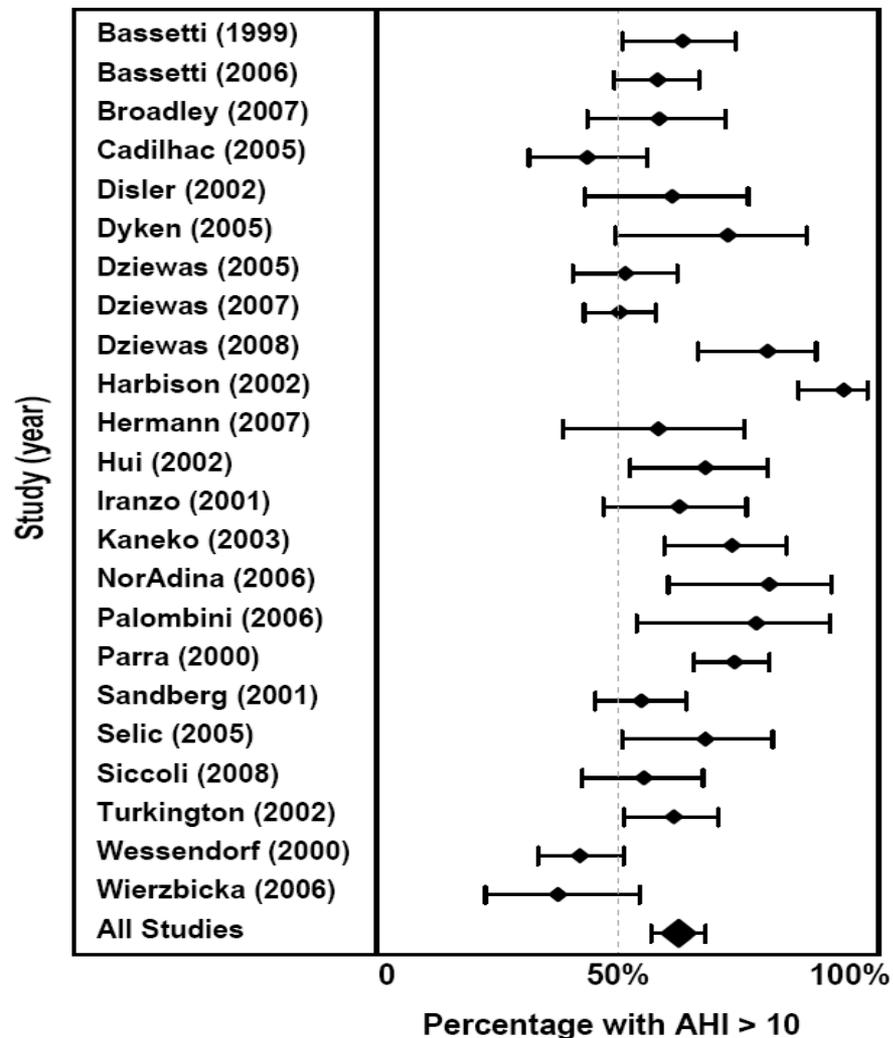
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# OSA prevalence in stroke patients

Study & Year, Country	N (% female)	Stroke Type (% recurrent)	% of Eligible	Location
Bassetti 1999, USA	80 (38)	I, T (11)	63%	Stroke Unit
Bassetti 2006, Switzerland	152 (32)	I (-)	-	Stroke Unit
Broadley 2007, Australia	55 (42)	I, H (-)	68%	Stroke Unit
Brown 2008, USA	30 (33)	I (27)	-	Stroke & Rehab
Cadhilac 2005, Australia	78 (32)	I, H (19)	29%	Home
Disler 2002, Australia	38 (-)	I, H (-)	-	Rehab Unit
Dyken 1996, USA	24 (46)	I, H (-)	56%	Stroke Unit
Dziewas 2005, Germany	102 (33)	I (25)	-	Stroke Unit
Dziewas 2007, Germany	214 (34)	I (0)	-	Stroke Unit
Dziewas 2008, Germany	55 (24)	I (0)	-	Stroke Unit
Harbison 2003, UK	78 (49)	I, H (18)	-	Stroke Unit
Hermann 2007, Switzerland	31 (36)	I (0)	-	Stroke Unit
Hsu 2006, UK	66 (32)	I, H (9)	10%	Stroke Unit
Hui 2002, China	51 (45)	I (-)	80%	Stroke Unit
Iranzo 2002, Spain	50 (40)	I (0)	-	Stroke Unit
Kaneko 2003, Canada	60 (39)	I, H (18)	98%	Rehab Unit
Martinez 2005, Spain	95 (-)	I, T (-)	68%	Rehab Unit
Mohsenin 1995, USA	10 (20)	I (-)	59%	Rehab Unit
Nachtmann 2003, Germany	235 (30)	I (25)	59%	Rehab Unit
NorAdina 2006, Malaysia	28 (29)	I (11)	31%	Stroke Unit
Palombini 2006, USA	21 (-)	I (-)	42%	Stroke Unit
Parra 2000, Spain	161 (49)	I, T, H (0)	-	Stroke Unit
Rola 2007, Poland	70 (14)	I, T (-)	-	Stroke Unit
Sandberg 2001, Sweden	133 (59)	I, H (39)	88%	Rehab Unit
Selic 2005, Switzerland	41 (20)	I (-)	91%	Stroke Unit
Siccolli 2008, Switzerland	74 (34)	I (0)	-	Stroke Unit
Turkington 2002, UK	120 (58)	I (27)	82%	Stroke Unit
Wessendorf 2000, Germany	147 (35)	I (0)	86%	Rehab Unit
Wierzbicka 2006, Poland	43 (19)	I, T (-)	-	Stroke Unit



# Incident stroke and sleep apnea

Covariate	Unadjusted	Adjusted	
		Age -Adjusted	Fully Adjusted <sup>§</sup>
Hazard Ratio (95% Confidence Interval for Ratio of Hazards)			
OAH1			
IV quartile (19.13 – 164.5)	3.91 (1.55, 9.86)	3.05 (1.21, 7.72)	2.86 (1.10, 7.39)
III quartile (9.50 – <19.13)	2.35 (0.89, 6.20)	1.97 (0.74, 5.21)	1.86 (0.70, 4.95)
II quartile (4.05 - <9.50)	1.96 (0.71, 5.40)	1.86 (0.68, 5.13)	1.86 (0.67, 5.12)
I quartile (0 – <4.05)	1.0	1.0	1.0

**In the mild to moderate range (OAH1 5 to 25),  
one unit increase in OAH1 in men was estimated to increase stroke risk by  
6%**

5422 participants followed median 8.7 years  
193 incident ischemic strokes observed

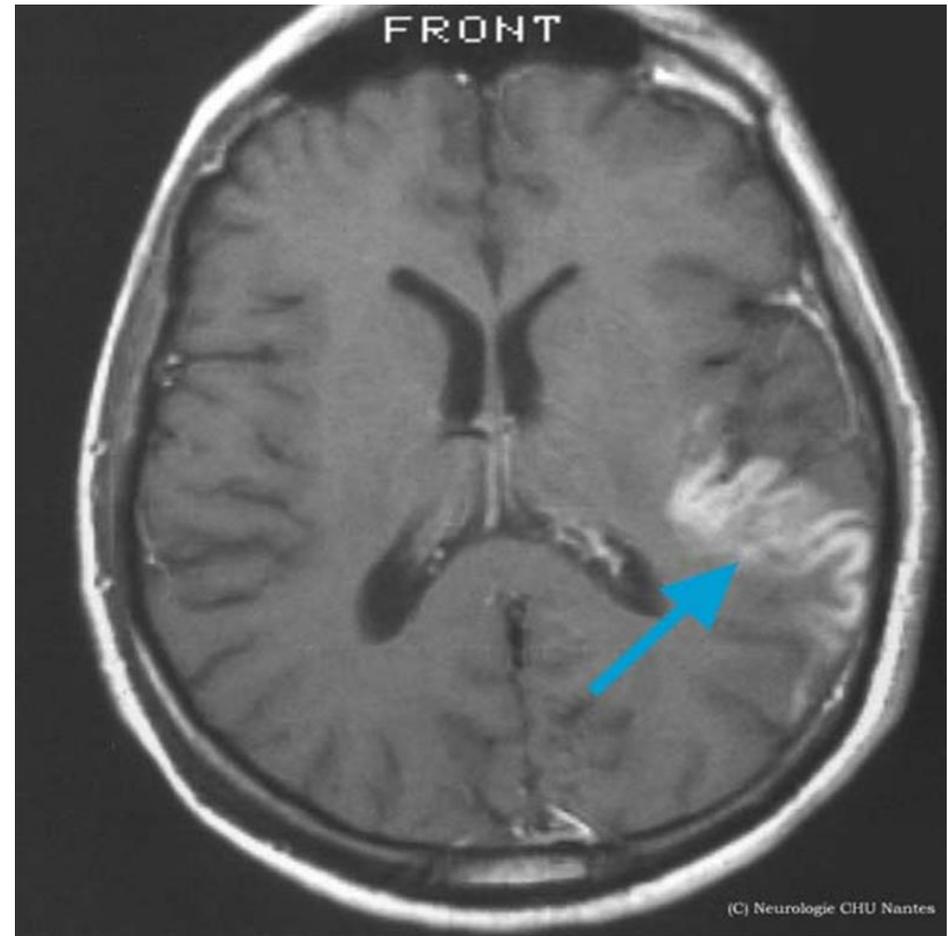
## ***Association between atrial fibrillation and stroke in OSA: A population-based case-control study***

Characteristic	Corrected odds ratio	Upper confidence interval	Lower confidence interval	<i>p</i> Value
Atrial fibrillation	5.34	17.29	1.79	0.0099
Smoking status	2.81	9.03	0.98	0.0558
Hypertension	0.81	2.66	0.24	0.7242
Coronary artery disease	1.90	5.89	0.61	0.5267

**Patients with OSA who had a stroke had higher rates of AF even after accounting for potential confounders**

**Hazard ratio of each variable of the CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub> Vasc score to predict stroke is similar or lower to the hazard ratio of OSA (with the exception of prior stroke)**

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Modify CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub> Vasc score by adding one extra "S" at the end (CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>3</sub> Vasc)?

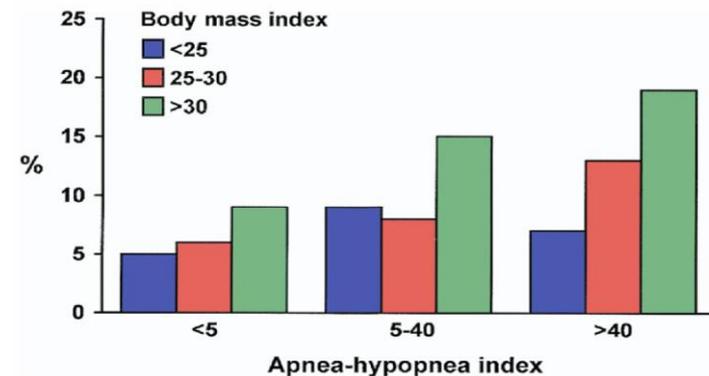
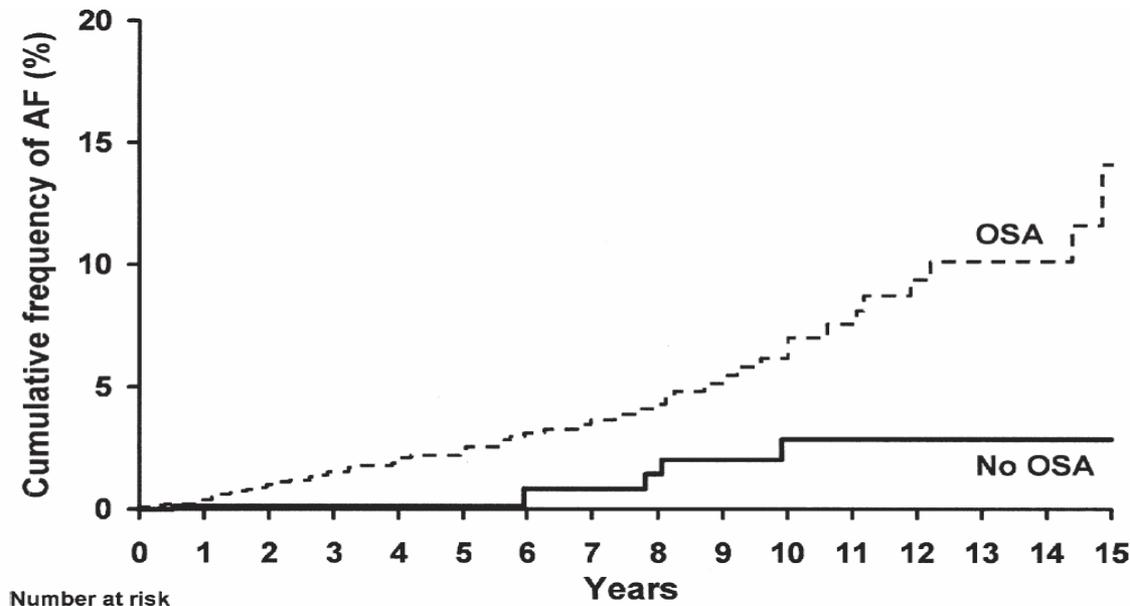
# OSA, obesity and the risk of atrial fibrillation

## Atrial Fibrillation

### Obstructive Sleep Apnea, Obesity, and the Risk of Incident Atrial Fibrillation

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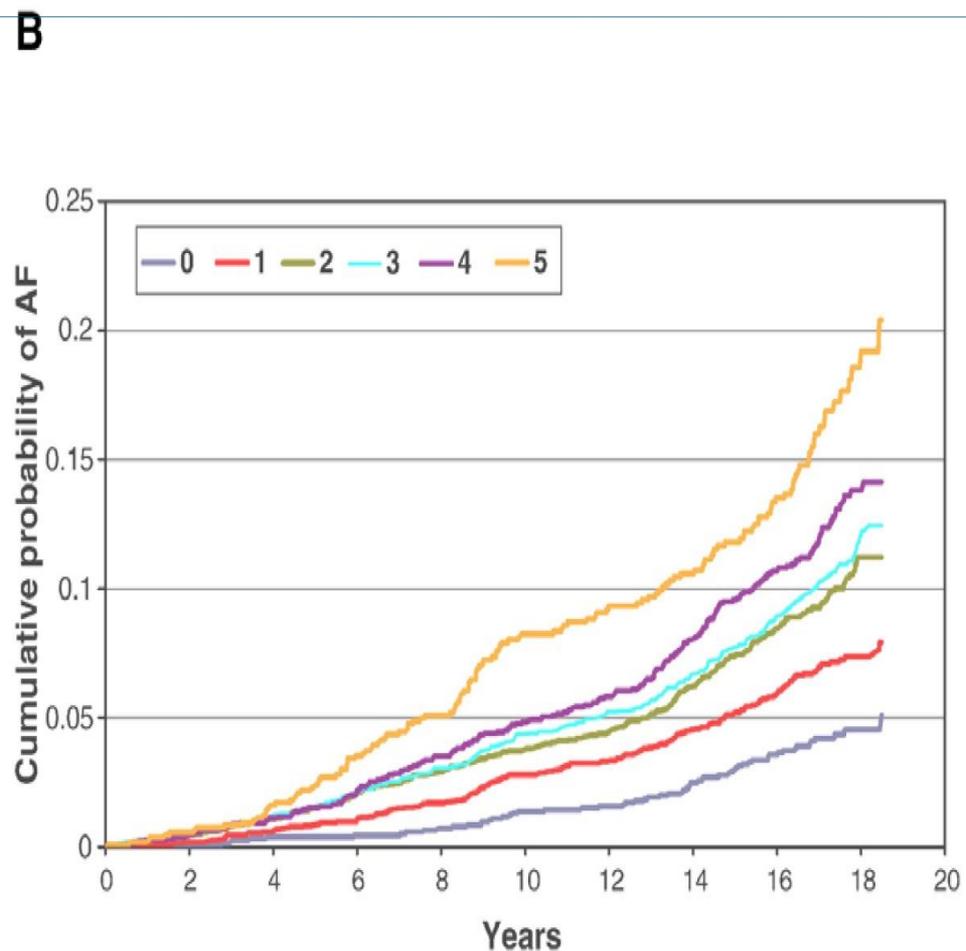
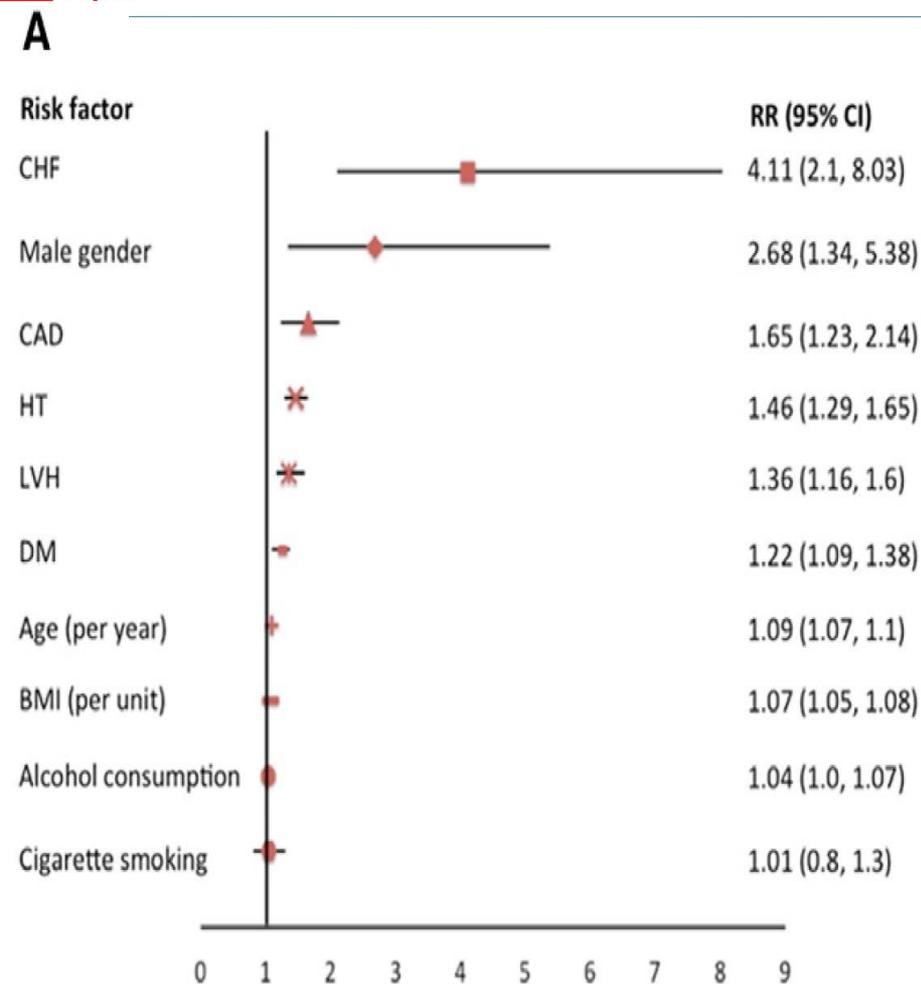
	HR	95% CI	p Value
<b>&lt;65 yrs old</b>			
Age (per 10 yrs)	2.04	1.48-2.80	<0.001
Male gender	2.66	1.33-5.30	0.006
Coronary artery disease	2.66	1.46-4.83	0.001
Body mass index (per 1 kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	1.07	1.05-1.10	<0.001
Decrease in nocturnal oxygen saturation (per -1%)*	3.29	1.35-8.04	0.009
<b>≥65 yrs old</b>			
Heart failure	7.68	4.32-13.66	<0.001



3,542 subjects, Obstructive sleep apnea in 2,626 subjects (74%)

Gami et al, J Am Coll Cardiol 2007;49:565-71

## Association of risk factors with AF development.



Chamberlain AM, et al. Metabolic syndrome and incidence of atrial fibrillation among blacks and whites in the Atherosclerosis Risk in Communities (ARIC) Study. *Am Heart J.* 2010;159:850–856.

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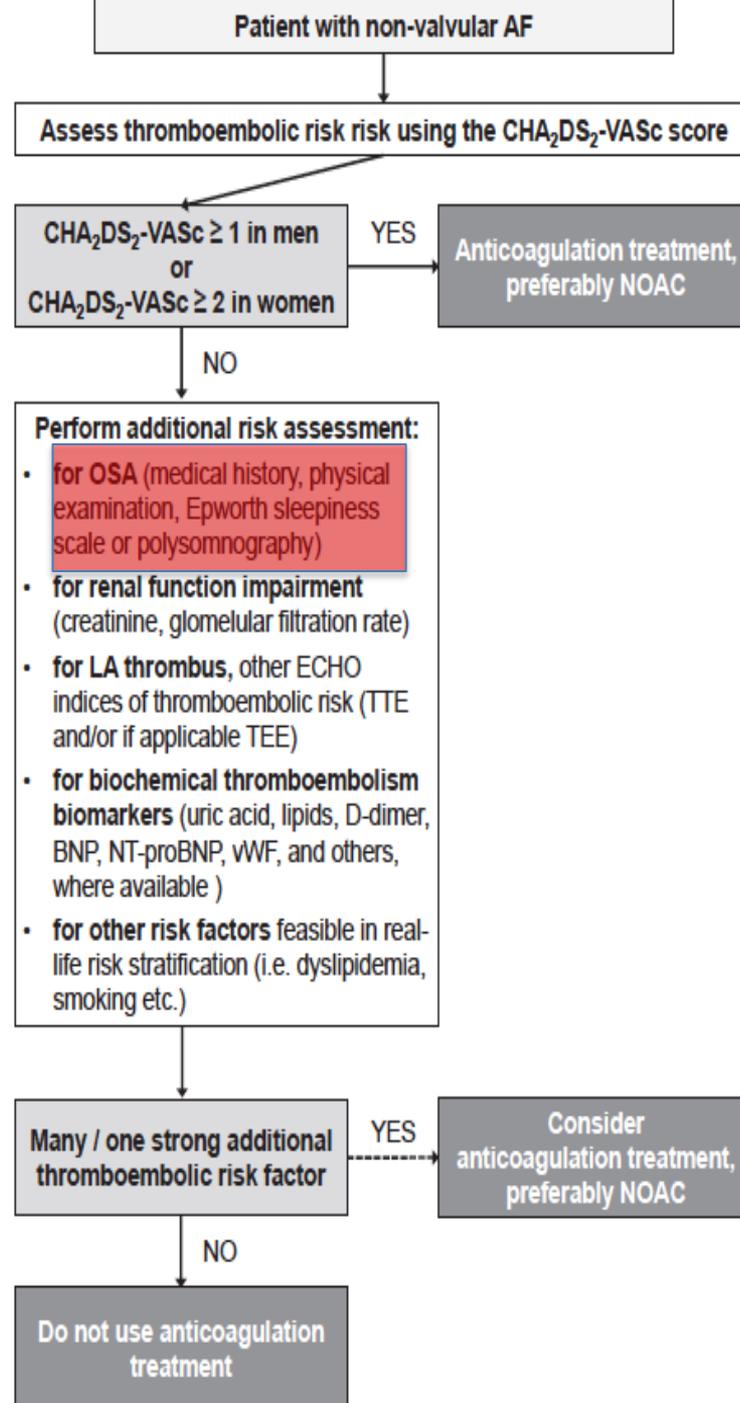
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- Chronic kidney disease
- Obstructive sleep apnea
- Left atrial enlargement
- Left atrial strain
- Atrial mechanical discordance, electromechanical delay or increased orifice size
- Decreased flow velocity of left atrial appendage
- Echocardiographic spontaneous contrast, smoke, sludge, or thrombus
- Troponin
- NT-proBNP
- Adiponectine
- D-dimer
- Smoking

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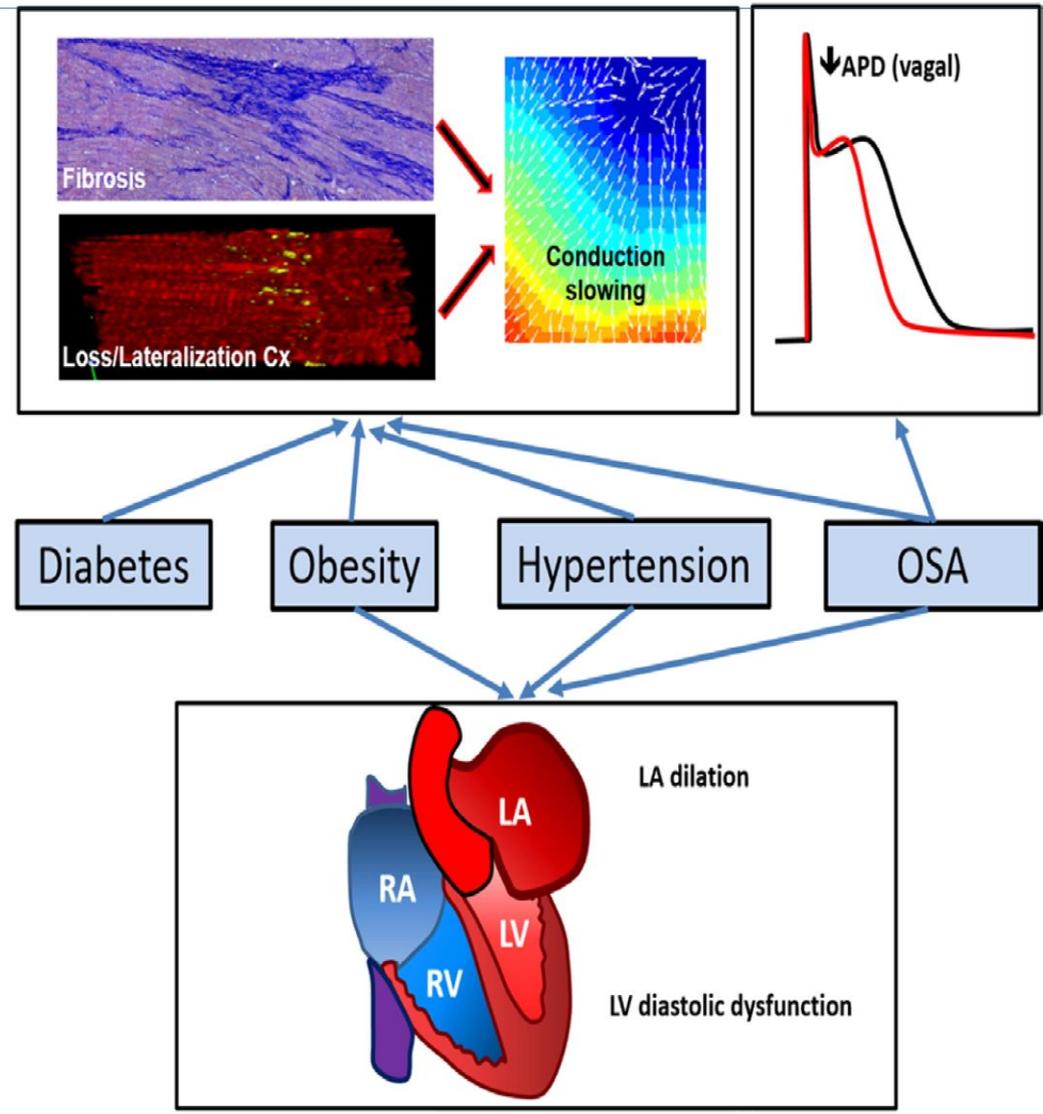


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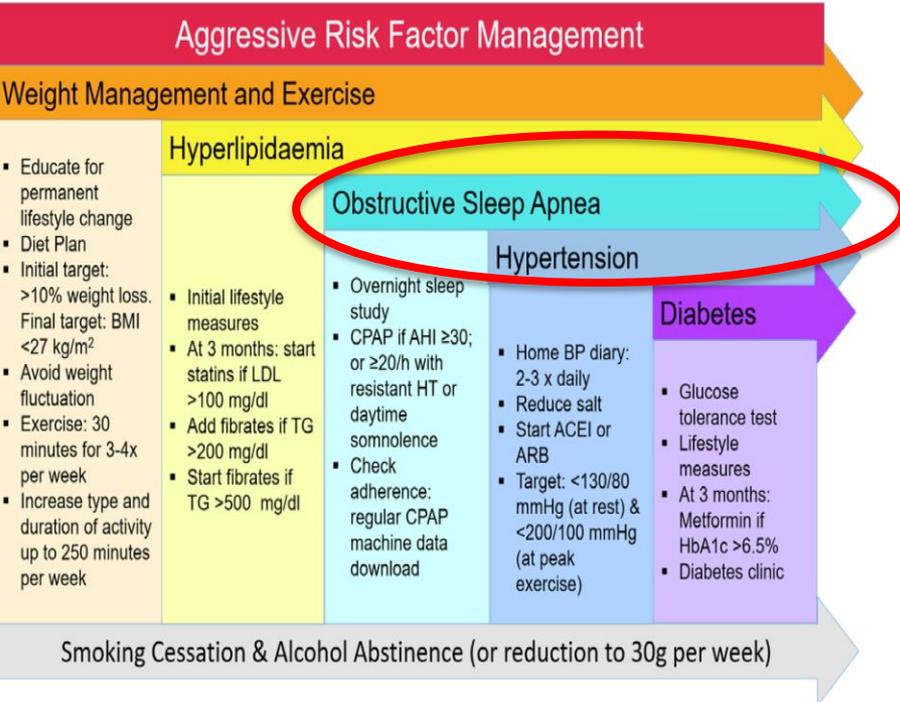
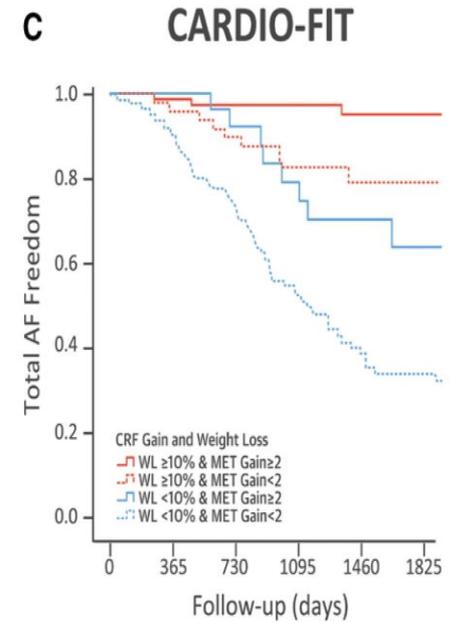
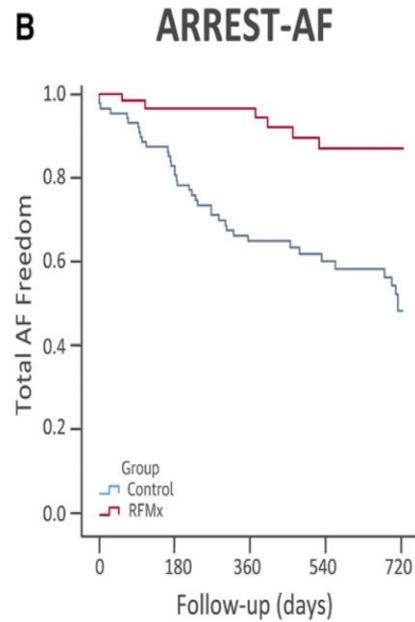
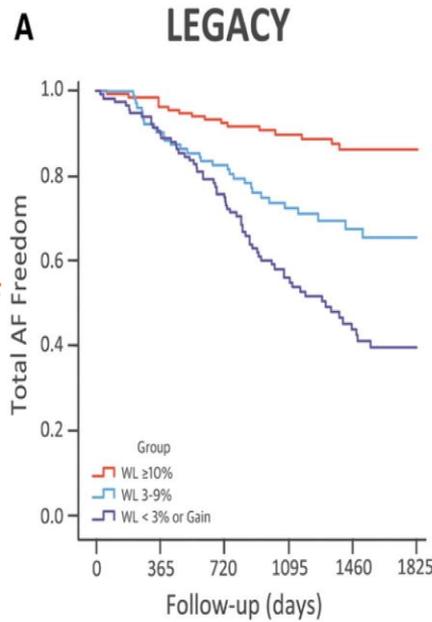
# Modifiable Risk Factors and Atrial Fibrillation

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Major AF mechanisms related to risk factors.

**Kaplan-Meier curves  
of various lifestyle modifications**



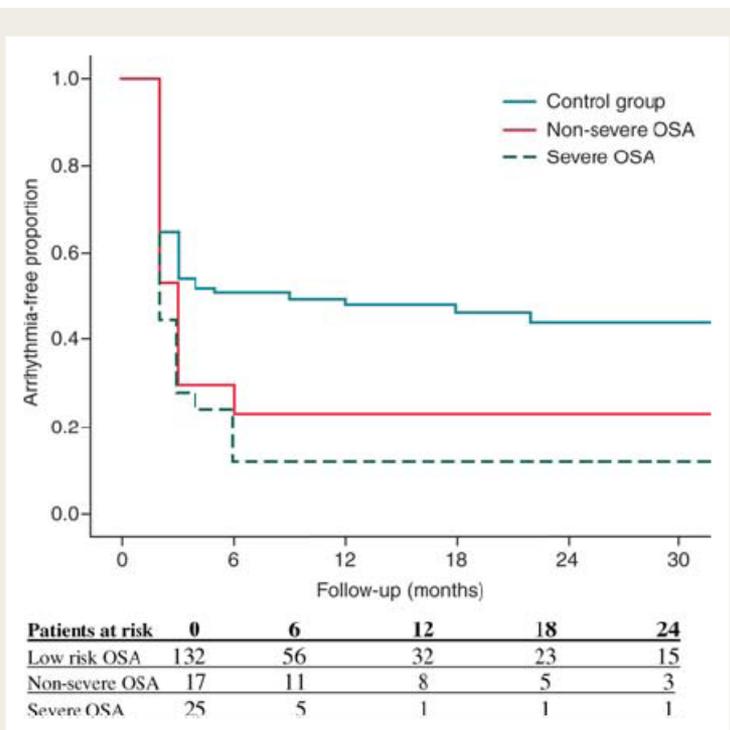
**Components of risk factor modification  
in ARREST-AF and LEGACY studies**

## *The rate of non-response to pharmacologic treatment increases with the increase in OSA severity*

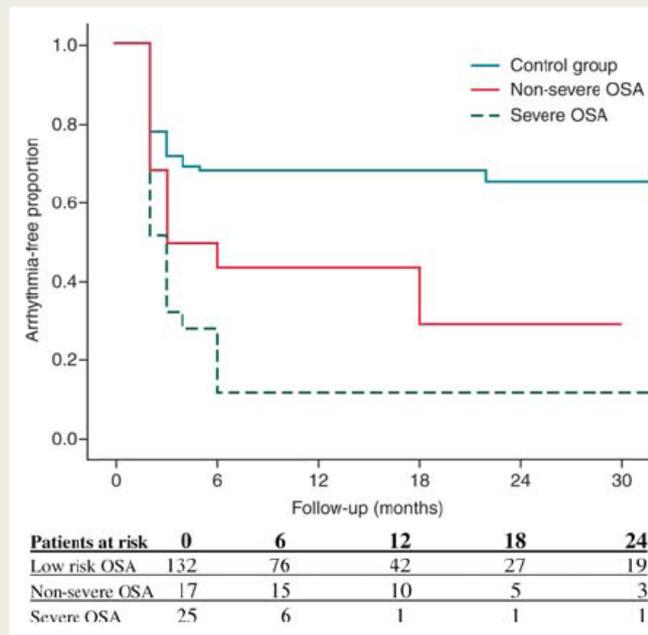
Characteristic	Entire Cohort (n = 61)	Nonsevere OSA (n = 38)	Severe OSA (n = 23)
Age (years)	64 ± 9	64 ± 11	65 ± 7
Women*	34%	42%	22%
Caucasian	89%	90%	87%
Body mass index (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	34 ± 7	33 ± 8	36 ± 6
Hypertension*	66%	58%	78%
Coronary artery disease <sup>†</sup>	31%	18%	52%
Heart failure	20%	15%	26%
AF			
Paroxysmal	61%	63%	57%
Persistent	25%	21%	30%
Permanent	15%	16%	13%
Baseline AF burden score	19 ± 8	18 ± 9	20 ± 8
Response to AADs <sup>‡</sup>	49%	61%	30%
Echocardiographic parameters			
Left atrial dimension (mm)	46 ± 8	46 ± 8	47 ± 8
Left ventricular ejection fraction (%)	50 ± 11	52 ± 10	47 ± 14
Left ventricular hypertrophy	47%	43%	52%

# Low efficacy of atrial fibrillation ablation in severe obstructive sleep apnoea patients

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**Figure 1** Freedom from arrhythmia recurrences after a single ablation procedure.



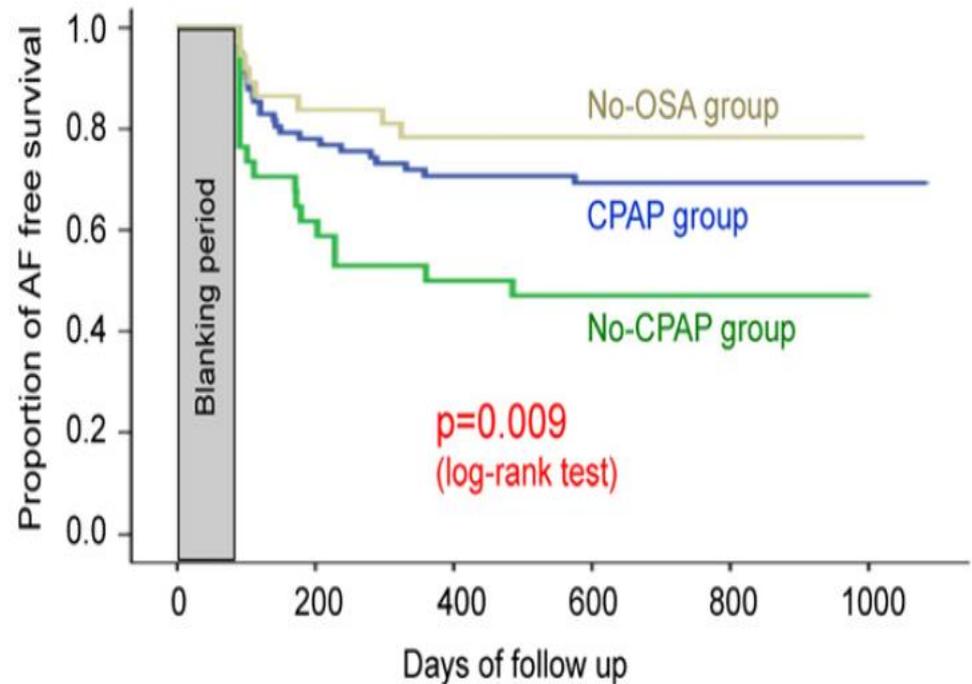
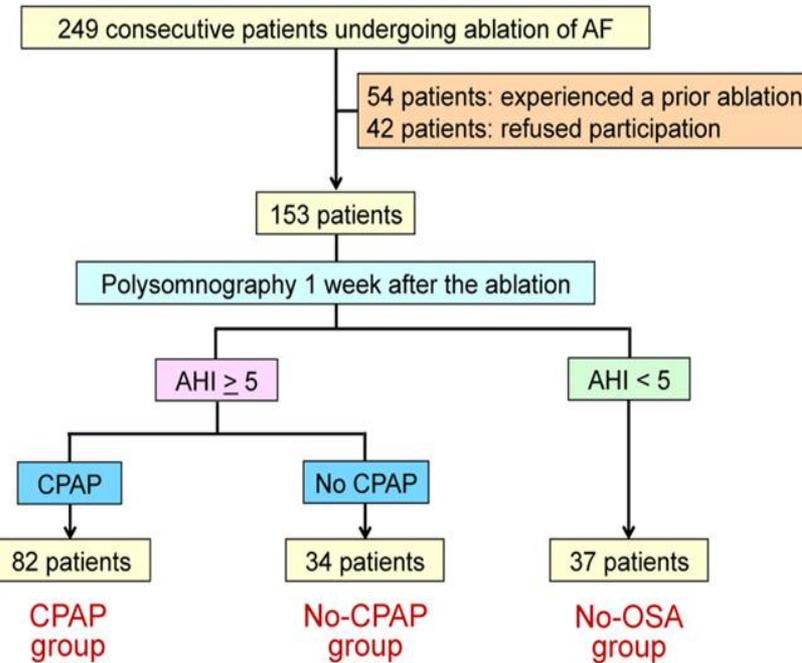
**Figure 2** Freedom from arrhythmia recurrences including the performance of a second ablation procedure.

## Table 3 Final model of Cox's regression model for arrhythmia recurrence

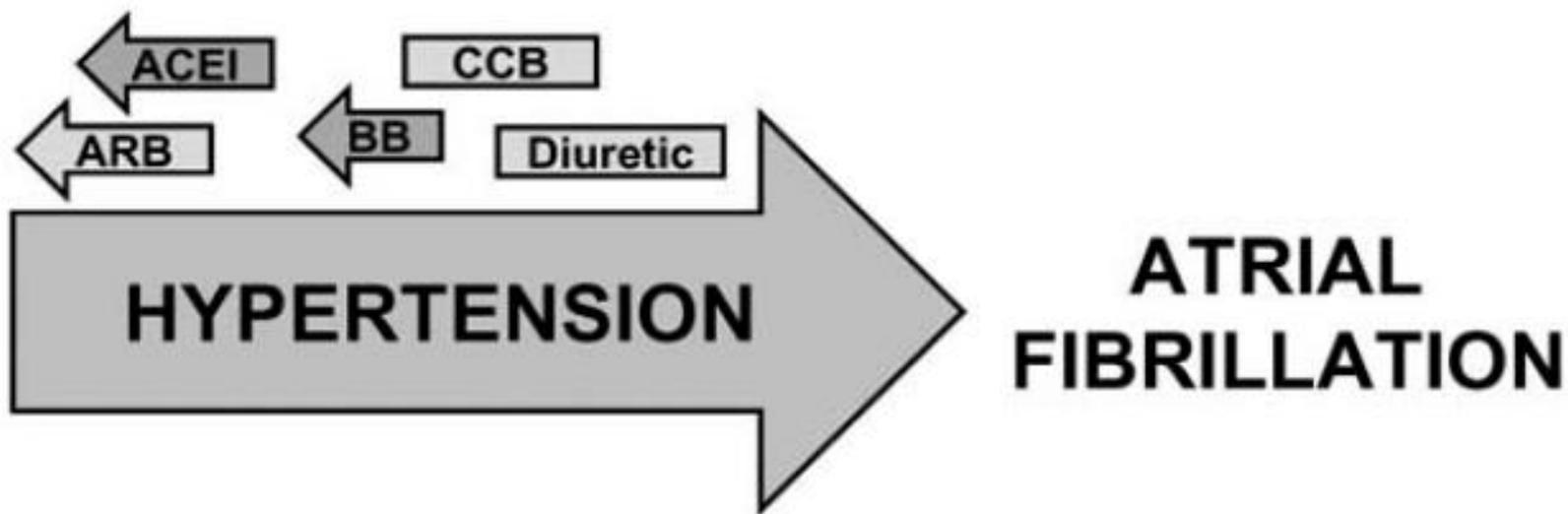
	HR (95% CI)	P-value
Left atrial diameter	1.046 (1.005–1.089)	0.029
OSA group		
Low risk for OSA	1 (—)	—
Non-severe OSA	1.574 (0.826–3.000)	0.168
Severe OSA	1.870 (1.106–3.161)	0.019

OSA, obstructive sleep apnoea.

# Concomitant obstructive sleep apnea increases the recurrence of atrial fibrillation following RF catheter ablation



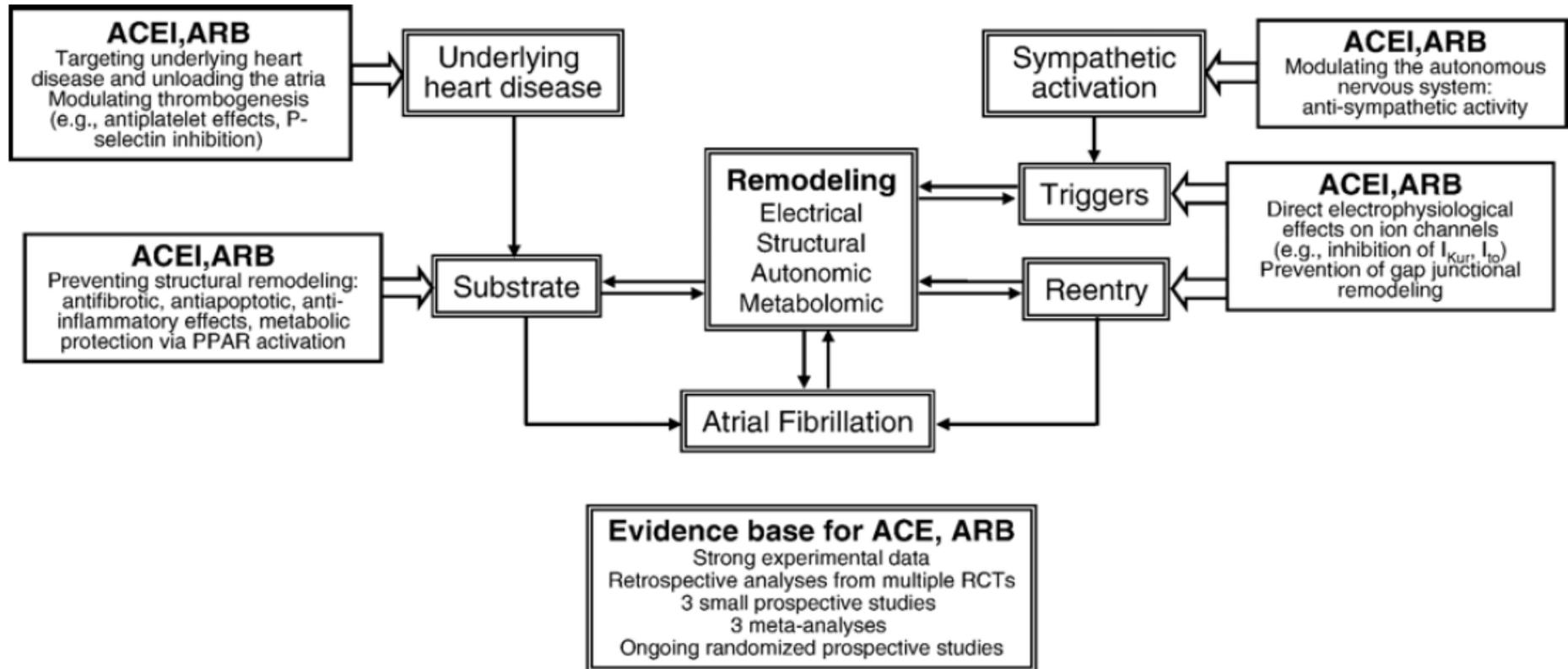
**Patients with untreated OSA have a higher recurrence of AF after ablation  
N=153, prospective study**



# « Upstream therapy » for the treatment of AF

Drug Class	Mechanism of Action	Clinical Evidence
ACE inhibitors	Reduced production of angiotensin II	Reduction in the incidence AF for patients with LV dysfunction <sup>66</sup> Reduction in the incidence AF for post-MI patients with LV dysfunction <sup>67</sup>
Angiotensin receptor blockers	Angiotensin I receptor antagonist	Reduction in the incidence of AF for patients with LV dysfunction <sup>66</sup> No reduction in recurrent AF <sup>68</sup>
Statins	HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor, antioxidant, anti-inflammatory	Reduction in the incidence of AF <sup>69</sup> Reduction in postoperative or post-MI AF <sup>70</sup>
w-3 Polyunsaturated fatty acids	Lipid lowering, antiarrhythmic, antioxidant, anti-inflammatory	Reduction in postoperative AF <sup>71</sup>
Glucocorticoids	Anti-inflammatory	Reduction in recurrent and permanent AF <sup>72</sup> Reduction in postoperative AF <sup>73</sup>
Spironolactone	Aldosterone antagonist	None
Pirfenidone	Unknown (anti-inflammatory?)	None

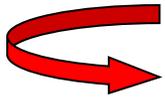
# Rôle potentiel IEC et ARA2



# *Effets arythmogènes de l'ATII*

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## **Angiotensine II**



## **Facteurs de croissance**



**Myocytes**

**Cellules musculaires lisses**

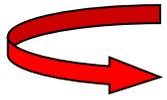
**Fibroblastes**

**▶ Remodelage structurel**

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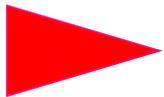
**Augmentation de la post-charge**



**Dilatation et hyperpression VG**

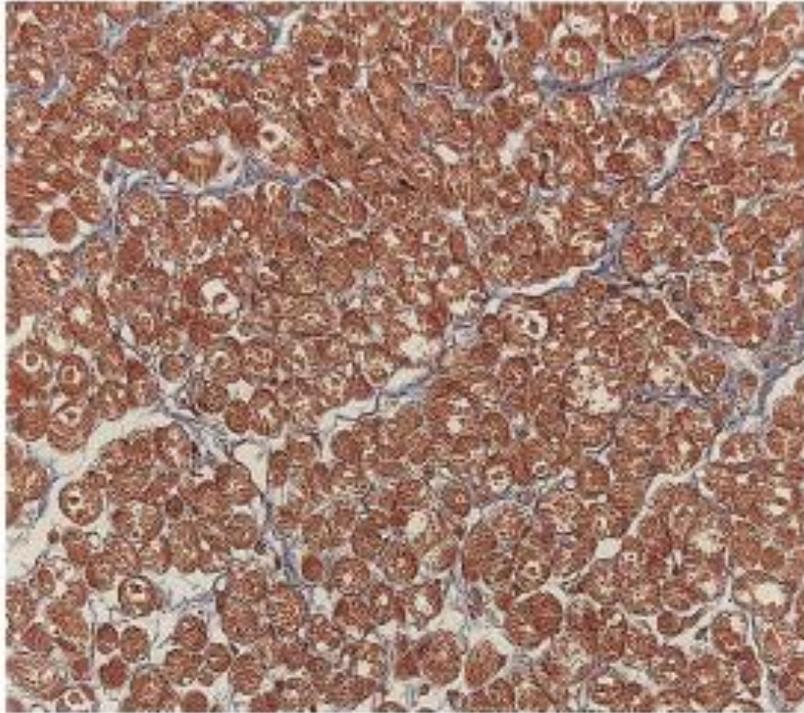


**Dispersion des périodes réfractaires**  
**Raccourcissement du potentiel d'action**  
**Post dépolarisations**

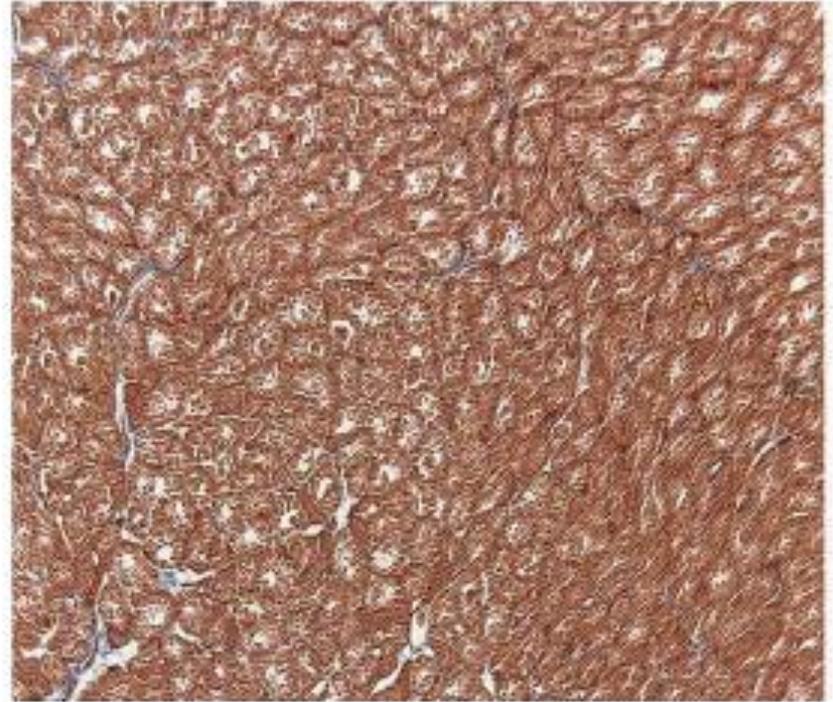


**Remodelage**  
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# *FA expérimentale et ARA II*



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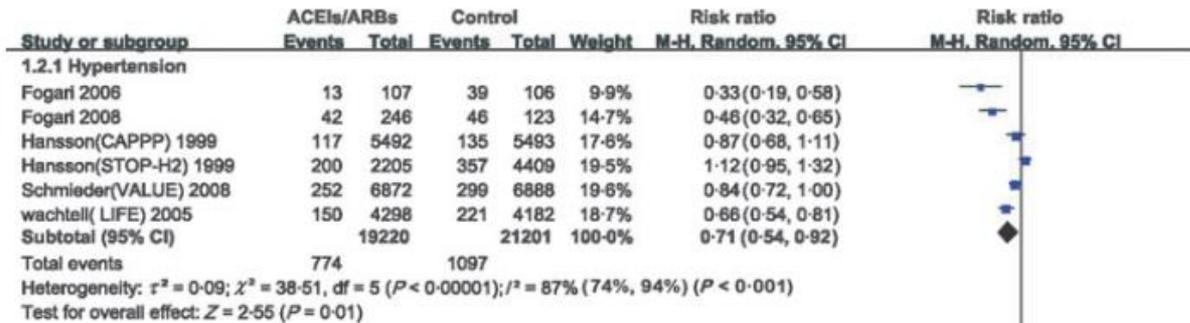


***Candesartan 5 sem.***

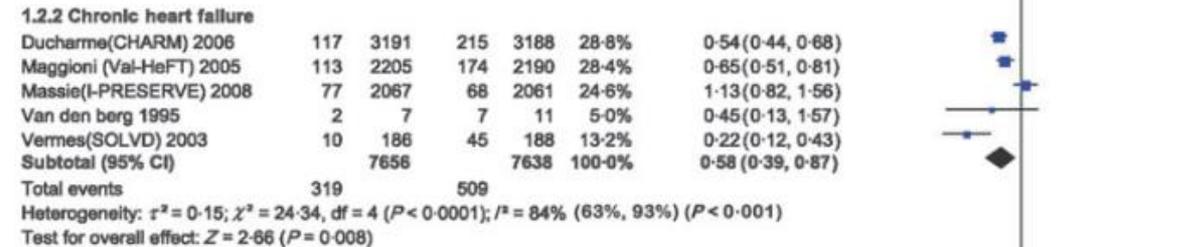
*Kumagai, JACC, 2003*

# AF and RAS inhibition

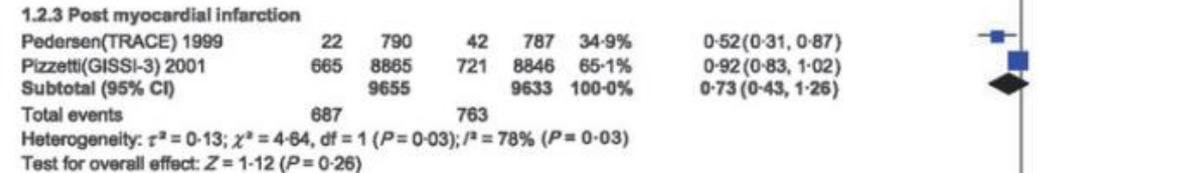
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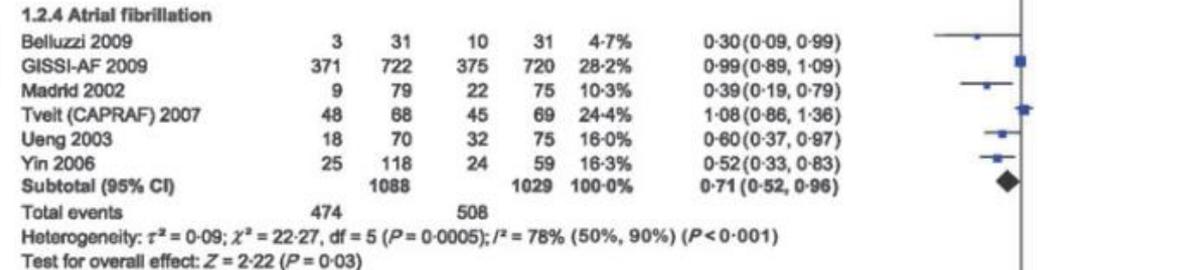
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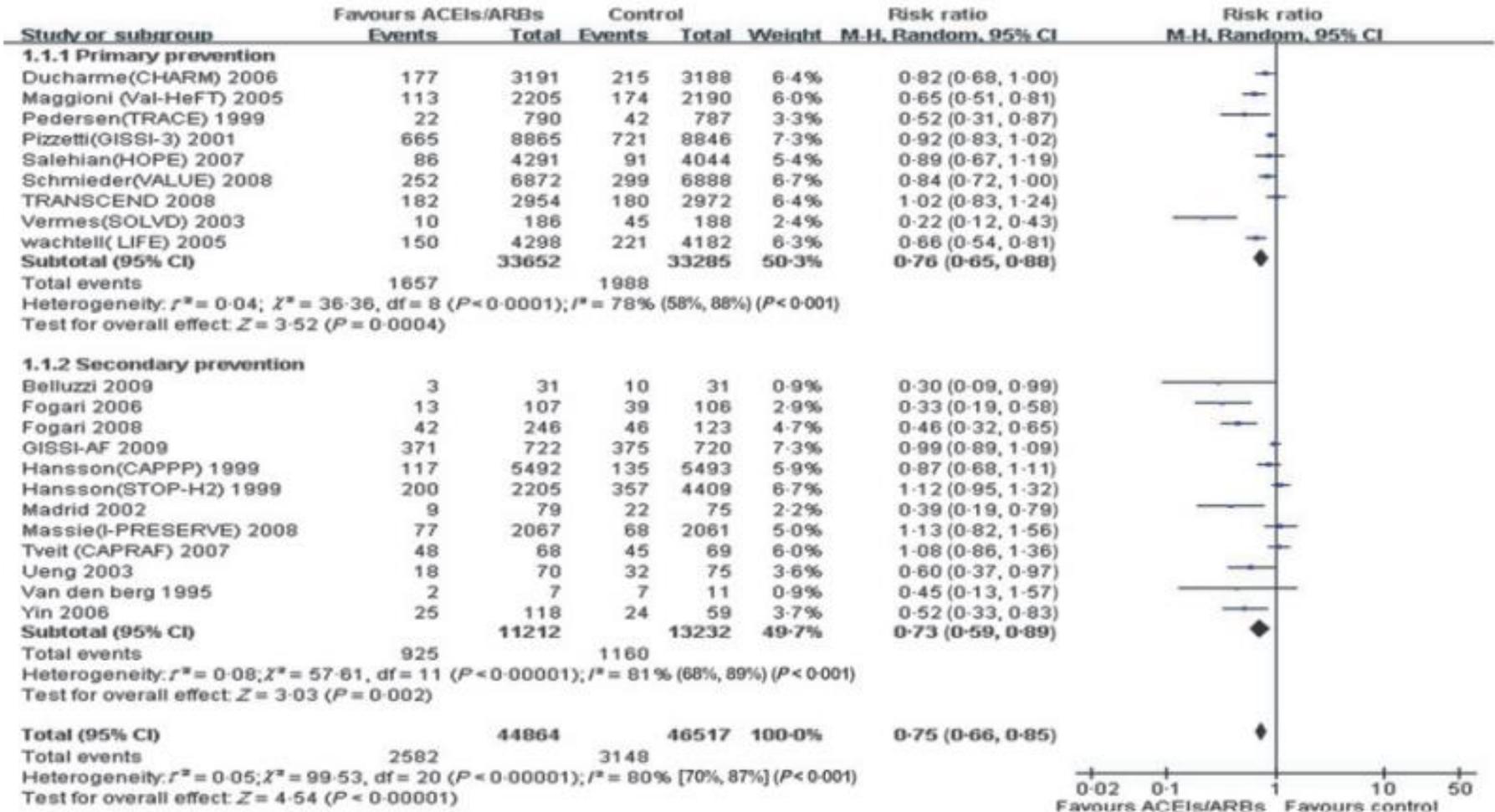


FA



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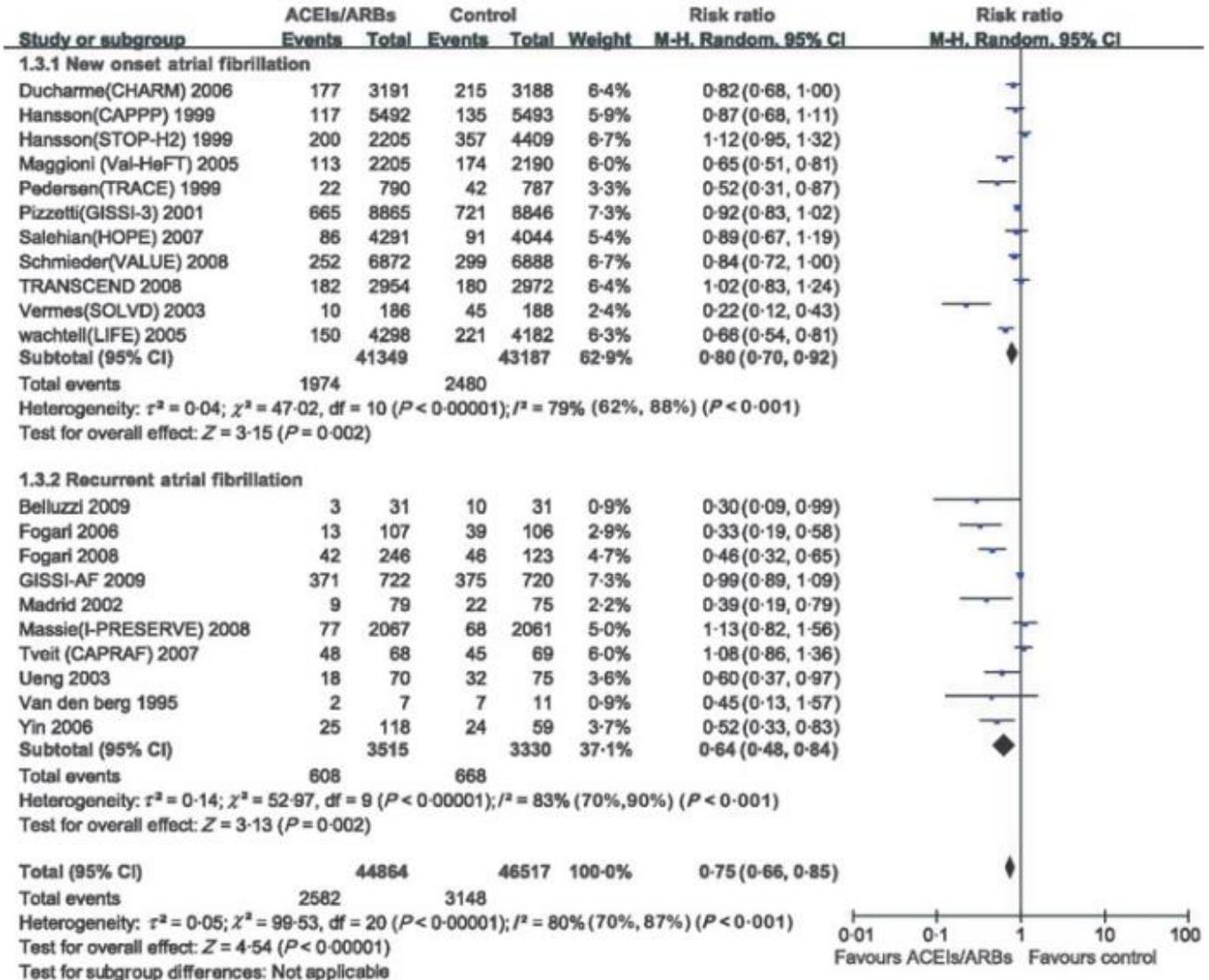
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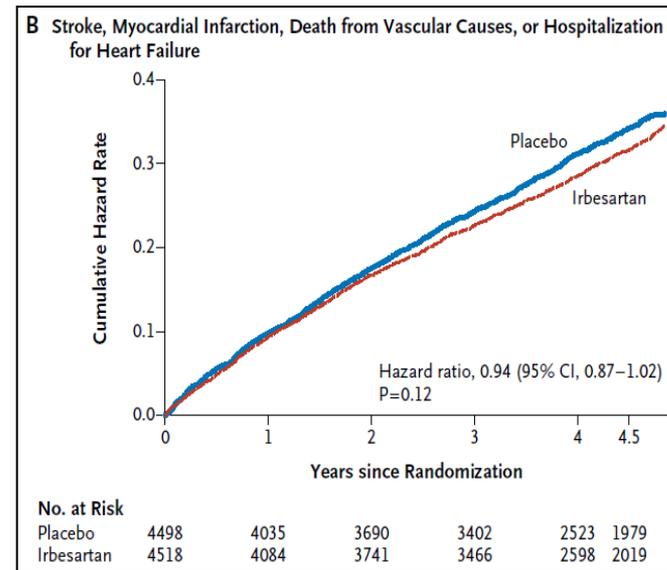
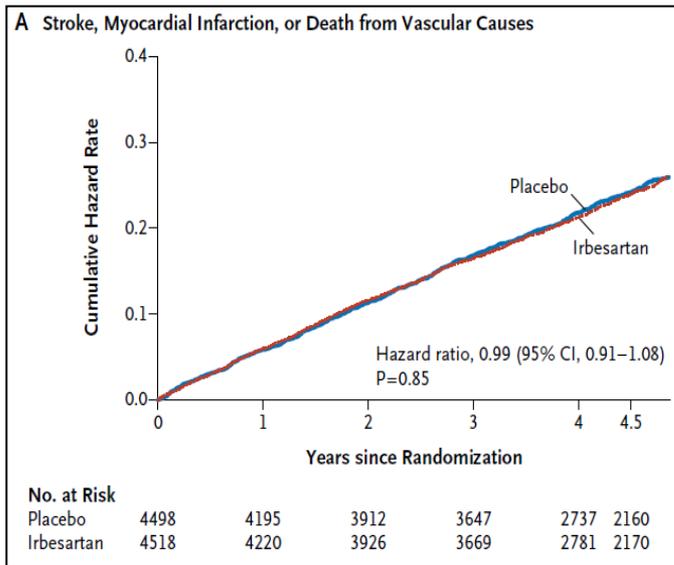


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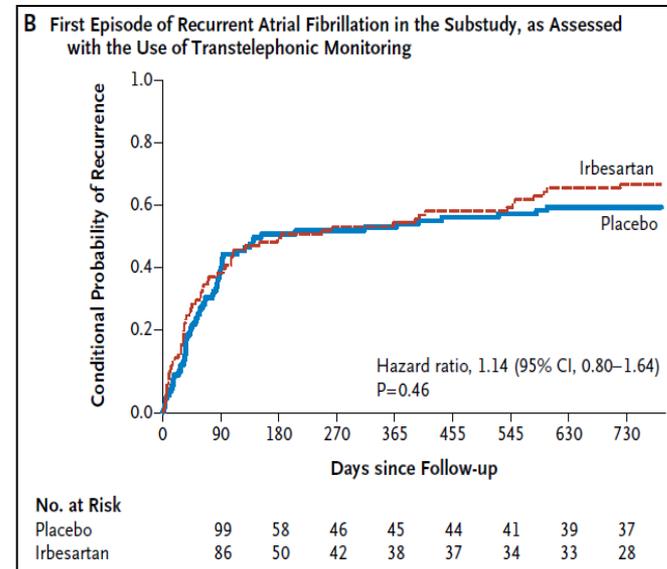
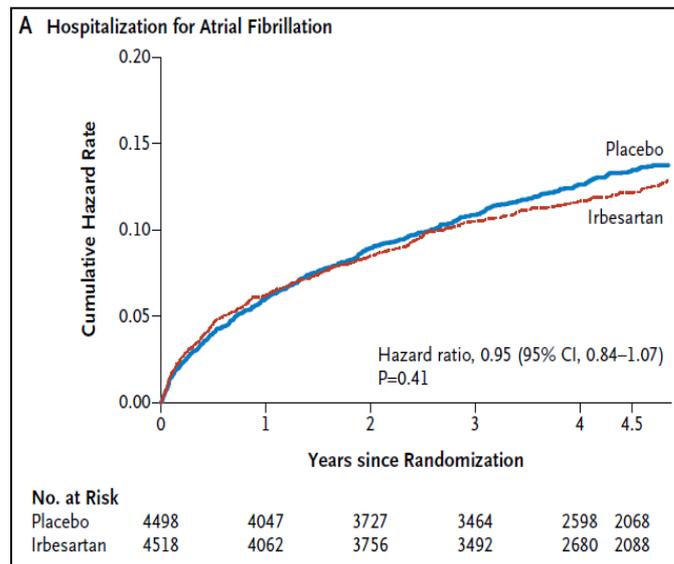
Nouvelle FA

Récidive de FA





**9016 pts (HTA 88%) suivis 4,1 ans en moyenne**

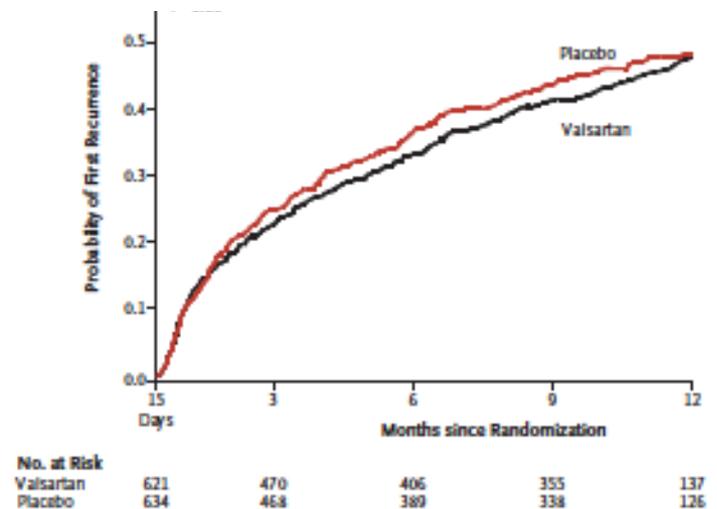
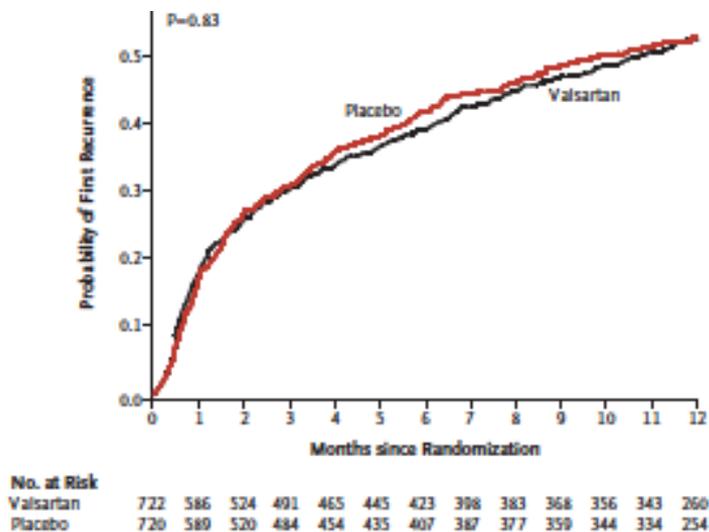


**ACTIVE I investigators, NEJM 2011**

# Upstream therapy dans la FA : la fin??

## Valsartan for Prevention of Recurrent Atrial Fibrillation

The GISSI-AF Investigators\*



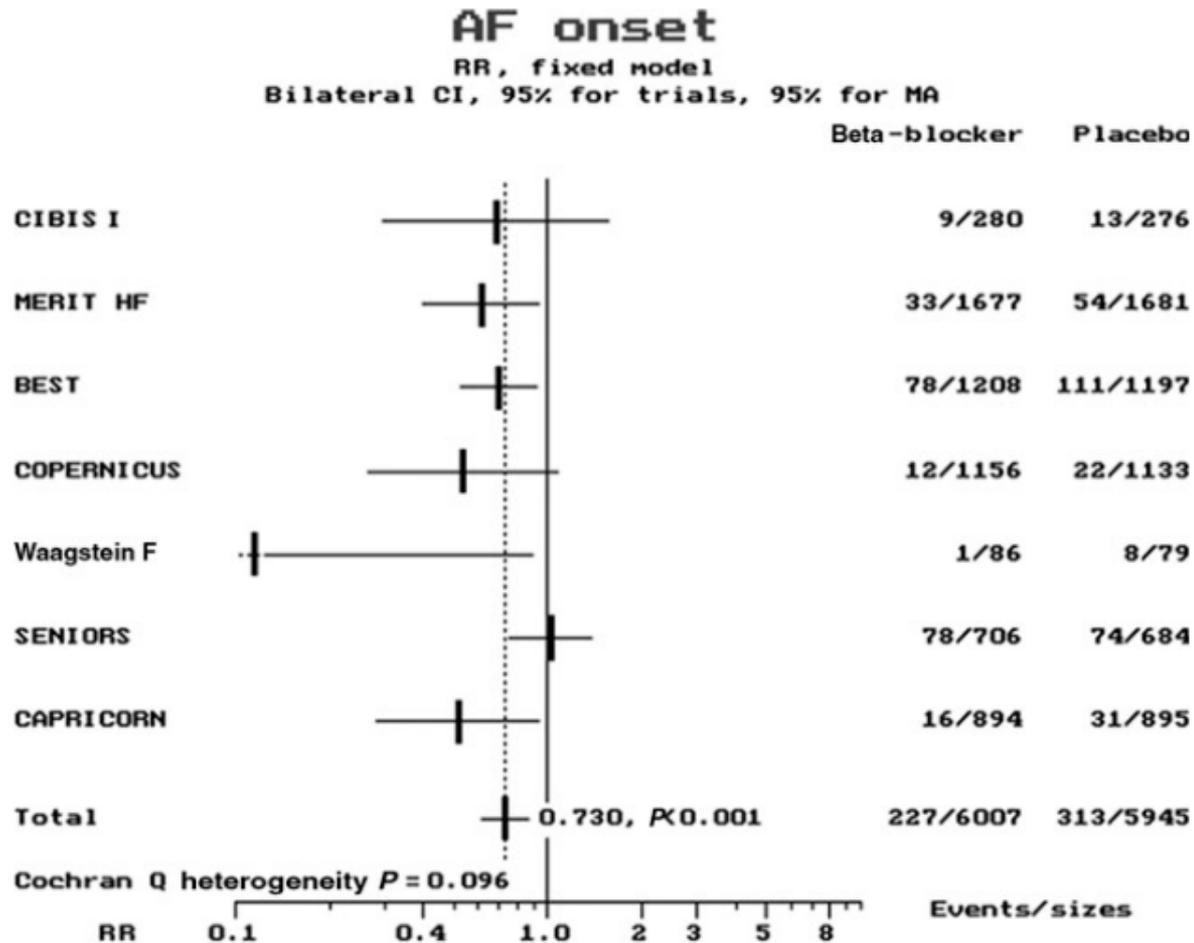
Kaplan-Meier Curves for the Time to the First Recurrence of Atrial Fibrillation.

Panel A includes data from the whole cohort, and Panel B data from the 1255 patients who were in sinus rhythm at 15 days.

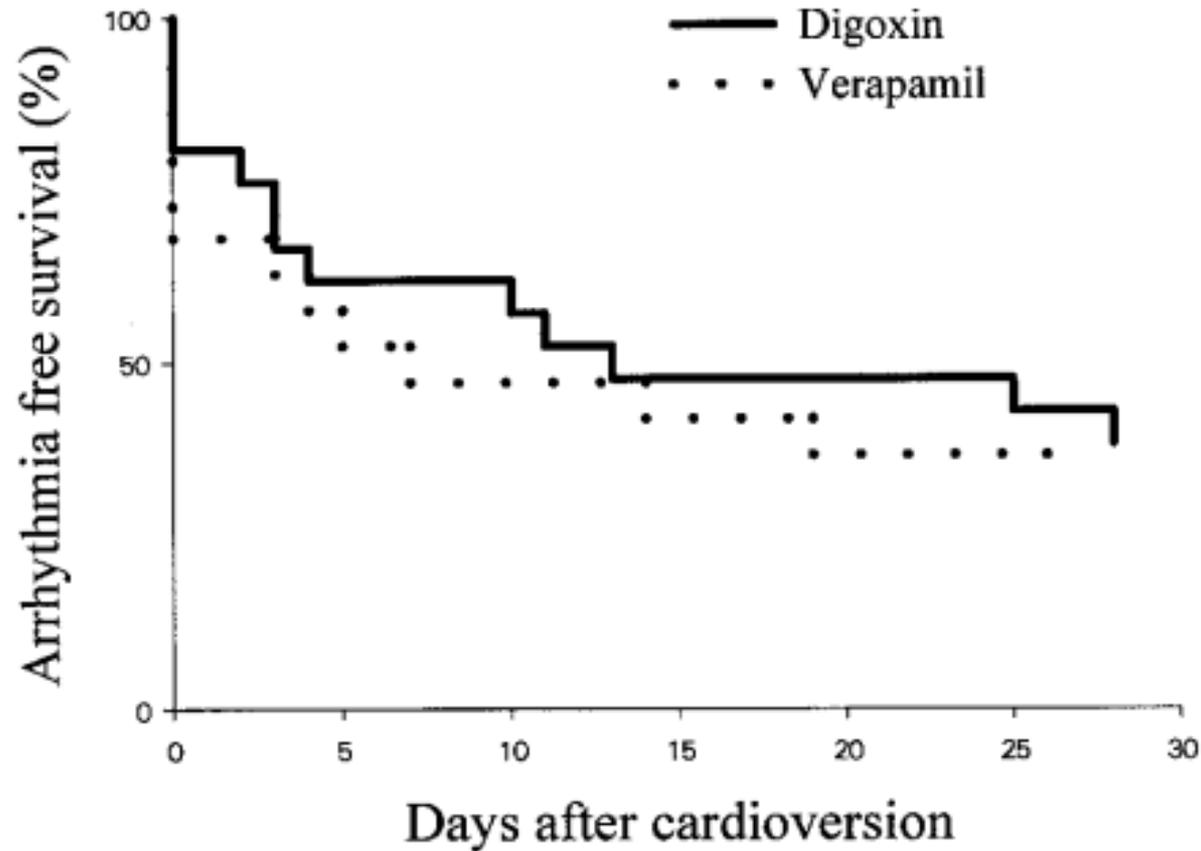
## Rhythm control therapy : non antiarrhythmic drugs

Recommendations	Class	Level
<b>Antiarrhythmic effects of non-antiarrhythmic drugs</b>		
ACE-Is, ARBs and beta-blockers should be considered for prevention of new-onset AF in patients with heart failure and reduced ejection fraction.	<b>IIa</b>	<b>A</b>
ACE-Is and ARBs should be considered for prevention of new-onset AF in patients with hypertension, particularly with LV hypertrophy.	<b>IIa</b>	<b>B</b>
Pre-treatment with ACE-Is or ARBs may be considered in patients with recurrent AF undergoing electrical cardioversion and receiving antiarrhythmic drug therapy.	<b>IIb</b>	<b>B</b>
ACE-Is or ARBs are not recommended for the secondary prevention of paroxysmal AF in patients with little or no underlying heart disease.	<b>III (no benefit)</b>	<b>B</b>

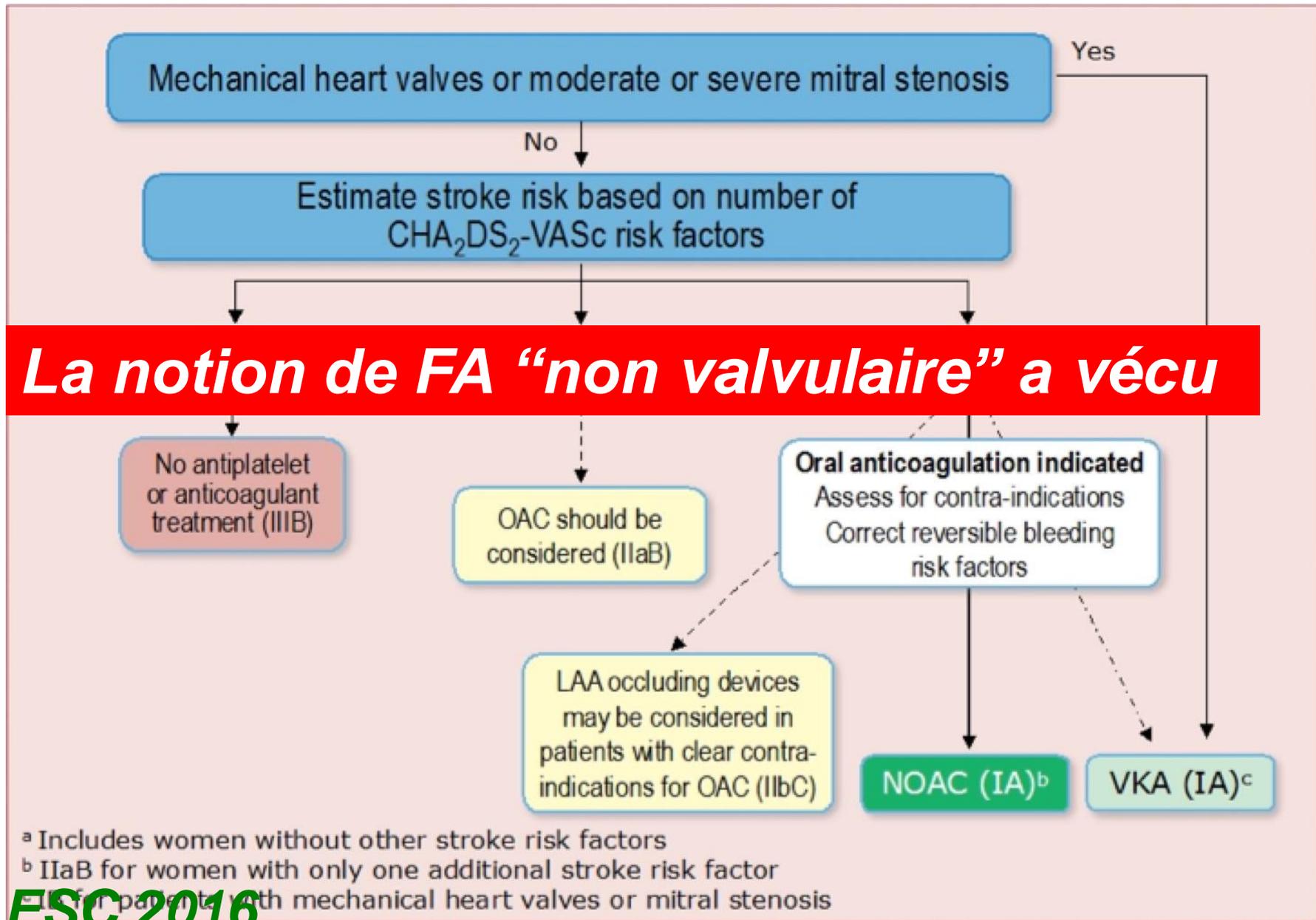
# AF and Beta-blockers in HF



# Verapamil vs Digoxin around cardioversion



# Qui anticoaguler?



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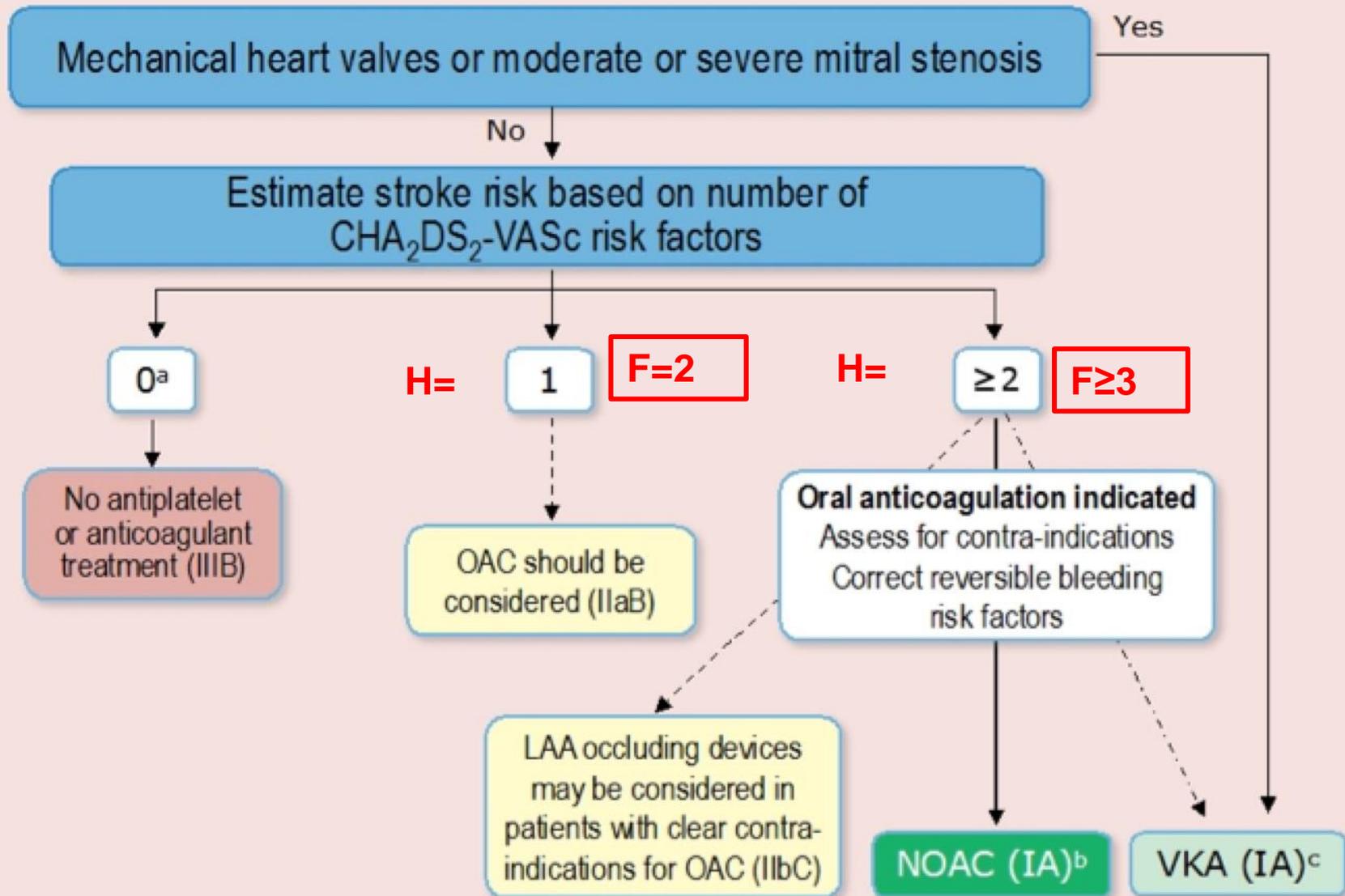
Recommendations	Class	Level
Oral anticoagulation therapy to prevent thromboembolism is recommended for all male AF patients with a CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score of 2 or more.	I	A
Oral anticoagulation therapy to prevent thromboembolism is recommended in all female AF patients with a CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score of 3 or more.	I	A
Oral anticoagulation therapy to prevent thromboembolism should be considered in male AF patients with a CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score of 1, considering individual characteristics and patient preferences.	IIa	B
Oral anticoagulation therapy to prevent thromboembolism should be considered in female AF patients with a CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score of 2, considering individual characteristics and patient preferences.	IIa	B
Vitamin K antagonist therapy (INR 2.0–3.0 or higher) is recommended for stroke prevention in AF patients with moderate-to-severe mitral stenosis or mechanical heart valves.	I	B
When oral anticoagulation is initiated in a patient with AF who is eligible for a NOAC (apixaban, dabigatran, edoxaban, or rivaroxaban), a NOAC is recommended in preference to a Vitamin K antagonist.	I	A

## Qui anticoaguler?

Recommendations	Class	Level	
When patients are treated with a vitamin K antagonist, time in therapeutic range (TTR) should be kept as high as possible and closely monitored.	I	A	
AF patients already on treatment with a vitamin K antagonist may be considered for NOAC treatment if TTR is not well controlled despite good adherence, or if patient preference without contra-indications to NOAC (e.g. prosthetic valve).	IIb	A	
Combinations of oral anticoagulants and platelet inhibitors increase bleeding risk and should be avoided in AF patients without another indication for platelet inhibition.	III (harm)	B	
In male or female AF patients without additional stroke risk factors, anticoagulant or antiplatelet therapy is not recommended for stroke prevention.	III (harm)	B	
Antiplatelet monotherapy is not recommended for stroke prevention in AF patients, regardless of stroke risk.	III (harm)	A	
NOACs (apixaban, dabigatran, edoxaban, and rivaroxaban) are not recommended in patients with mechanical heart valves (Level of evidence B) or moderate-to-severe mitral stenosis (Level of evidence C).	III (harm)	B	C

# Qui anticoaguler?

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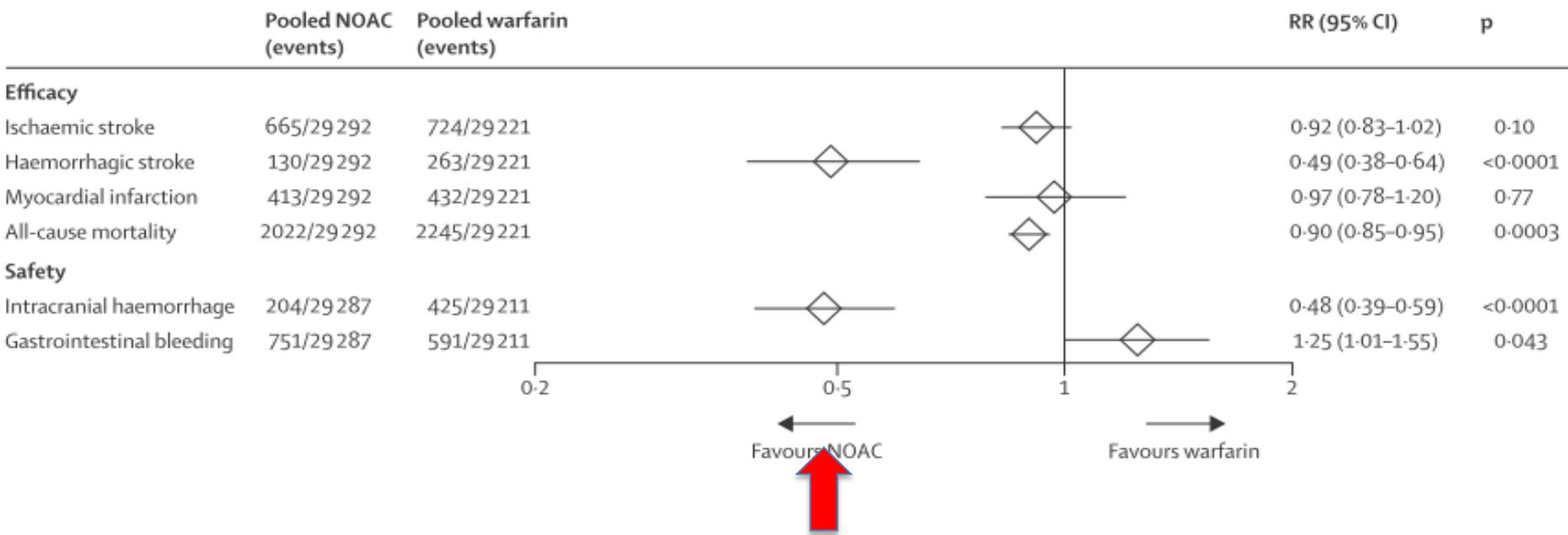
<sup>a</sup> Includes women without other stroke risk factors

<sup>b</sup> IIaB for women with only one additional stroke risk factor

<sup>c</sup> IB for patients with mechanical heart valves or mitral stenosis

	Apixaban ARISTOTLE <sup>1</sup>	Apixaban AVERROES <sup>2</sup>	Dabigatran RE-LY <sup>3</sup>	Edoxaban ENGAGE AF-TIMI 48 <sup>4</sup>	Rivaroxaban ROCKET AF <sup>5</sup>
<b>N</b>	18 201	5 599	18 113	21 105	14 264
<b>Design</b>	Double-blind, double-dummy	Double-blind, double-dummy	Blinded (dabigatran) Open-label (warfarin)	Double-blind, double- dummy	Double-blind, double-dummy
<b>Treatments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apixaban 5 mg twice-daily (2.5 mg twice-daily in selected patients*)</li> <li>• Warfarin (INR target: 2–3)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apixaban 5 mg twice-daily (2.5 mg twice-daily in selected patients*)</li> <li>• ASA (81–324 mg per day)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dabigatran 110 mg twice-daily</li> <li>• Dabigatran 150 mg twice-daily</li> <li>• Warfarin (INR target: 2–3)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Edoxaban high-dose (60 mg)<sup>†</sup></li> <li>• Edoxaban low-dose (30 mg)<sup>†</sup></li> <li>• Warfarin (INR target: 2–3)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rivaroxaban 20 mg once-daily (15 mg once-daily in selected patients<sup>‡</sup>)</li> <li>• Warfarin (INR target: 2–3)</li> </ul>
<b>Objective</b>	Non-inferiority	Superiority	Non-inferiority	Non-inferiority	Non-inferiority

**NOACs vs Warfarine N=71218**



## 2018 ESC/ESH Guidelines for the management of arterial hypertension

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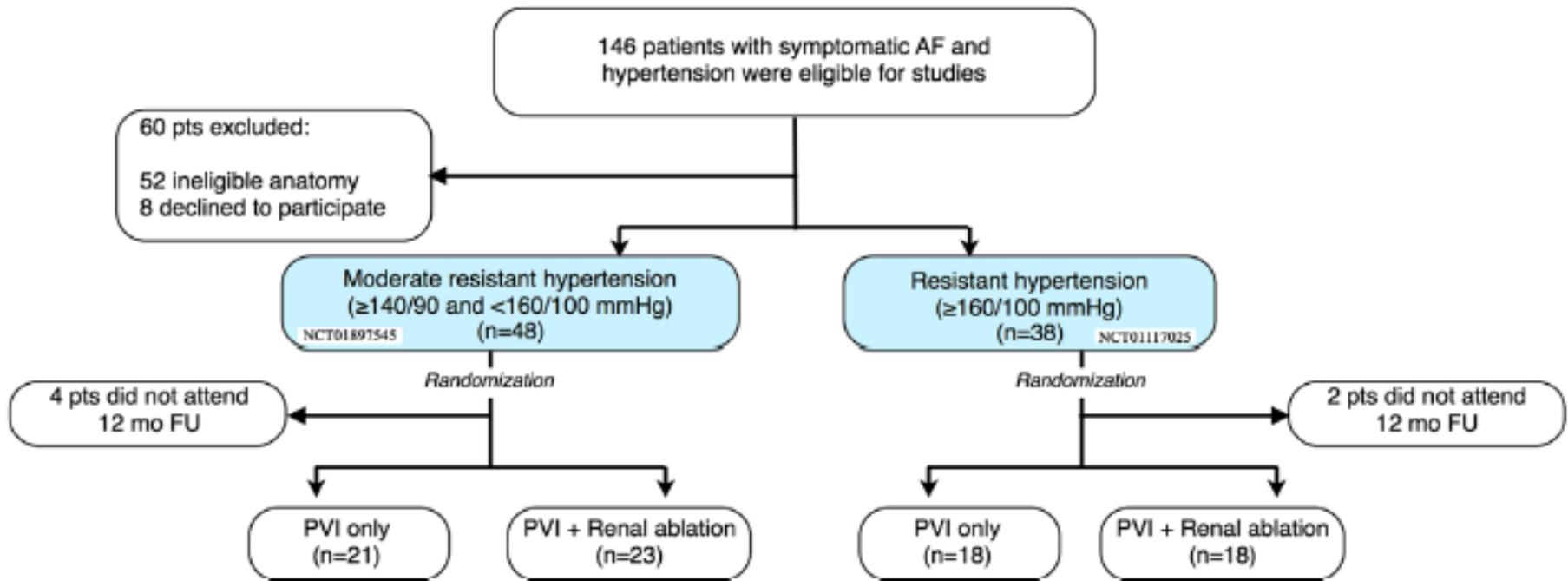
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### Therapeutic strategies in hypertensive patients with AF

Recommendation	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
In patients with AF, screening for hypertension is recommended. <sup>536</sup>	I	C
A beta-blocker or non-dihydropyridine CCB should be considered as part of the treatment of hypertension if rate control is needed. <sup>536</sup>	IIa	B
Stroke prevention with oral anticoagulation is recommended in patients with AF and hypertension, and a CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score of $\geq 2$ in men and $\geq 3$ in women. <sup>536,556</sup>	I	A
Stroke prevention with oral anticoagulants should be considered in AF patients with hypertension, even when hypertension is the single additional risk factor (CHA <sub>2</sub> DS <sub>2</sub> -VASc score of 1). <sup>536,556</sup>	IIa	B
Oral anticoagulants should be used with caution in patients with marked BP elevation (SBP $\geq 180$ mmHg and/or DBP $\geq 100$ mmHg); the aim should be to lower SBP to at least $<140$ mmHg, and SBP lowering to $<130$ should be considered. If this is not possible, then patients should make an informed decision that they accept that the stroke protection provided by the anticoagulant will be associated with higher bleeding risk. <sup>536</sup>	IIa	B

# Renal denervation for improving outcomes of catheter ablation in patients with atrial fibrillation and hypertension: Early experience

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**Study design and patient flow**

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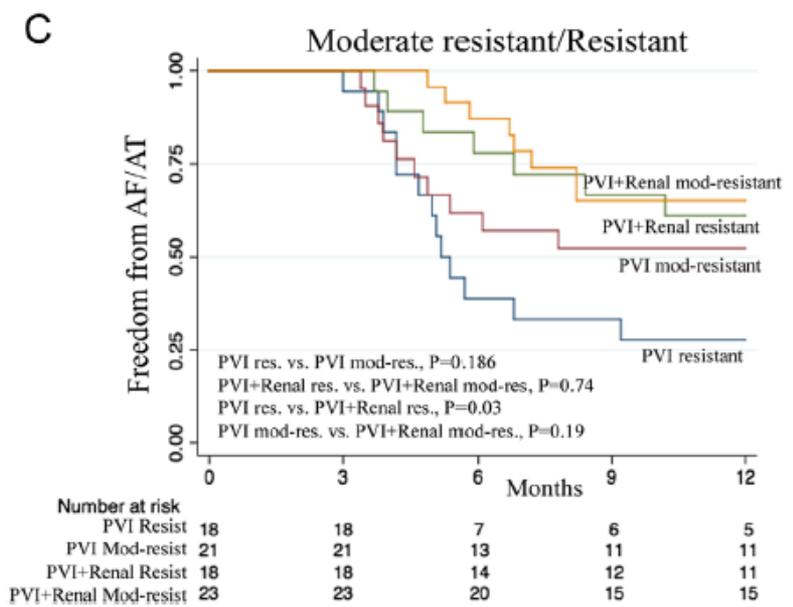
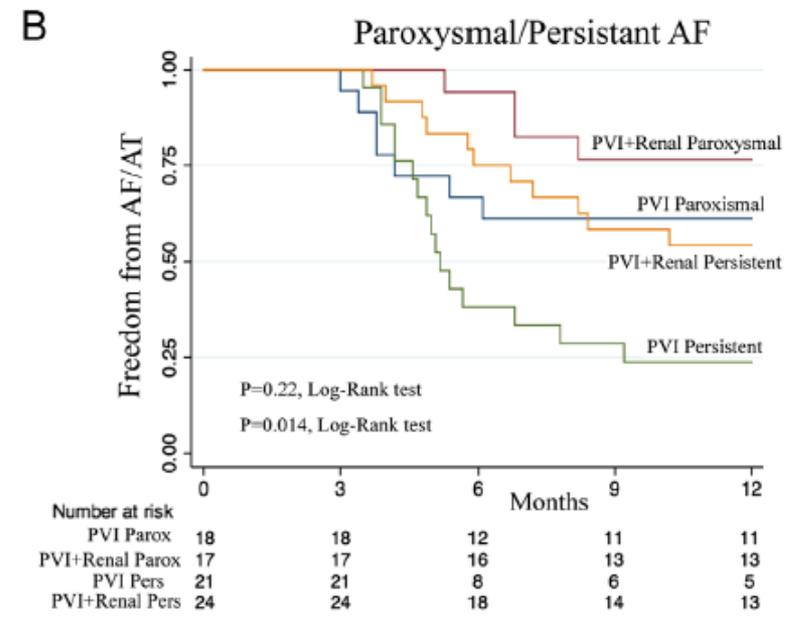
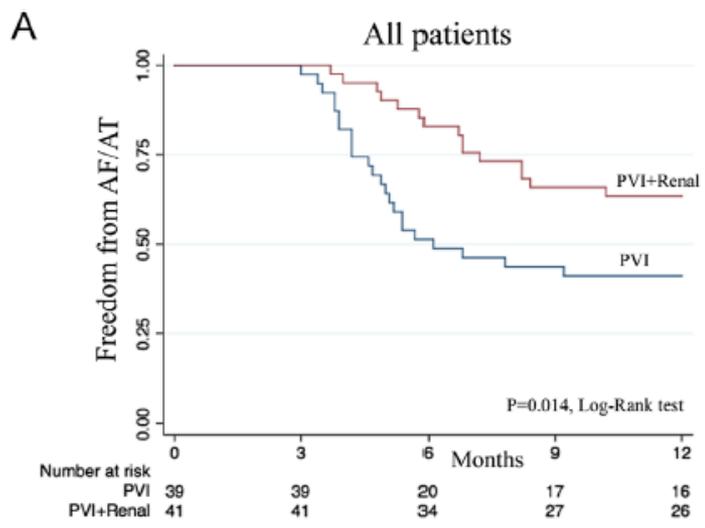
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**Figure 2** **A:** Angiography of the left renal artery. **B:** Renal ablation using the NaviStar ablation catheter. **C:** Three-dimensional reconstructions with sites of radiofrequency ablation represented in *red*.

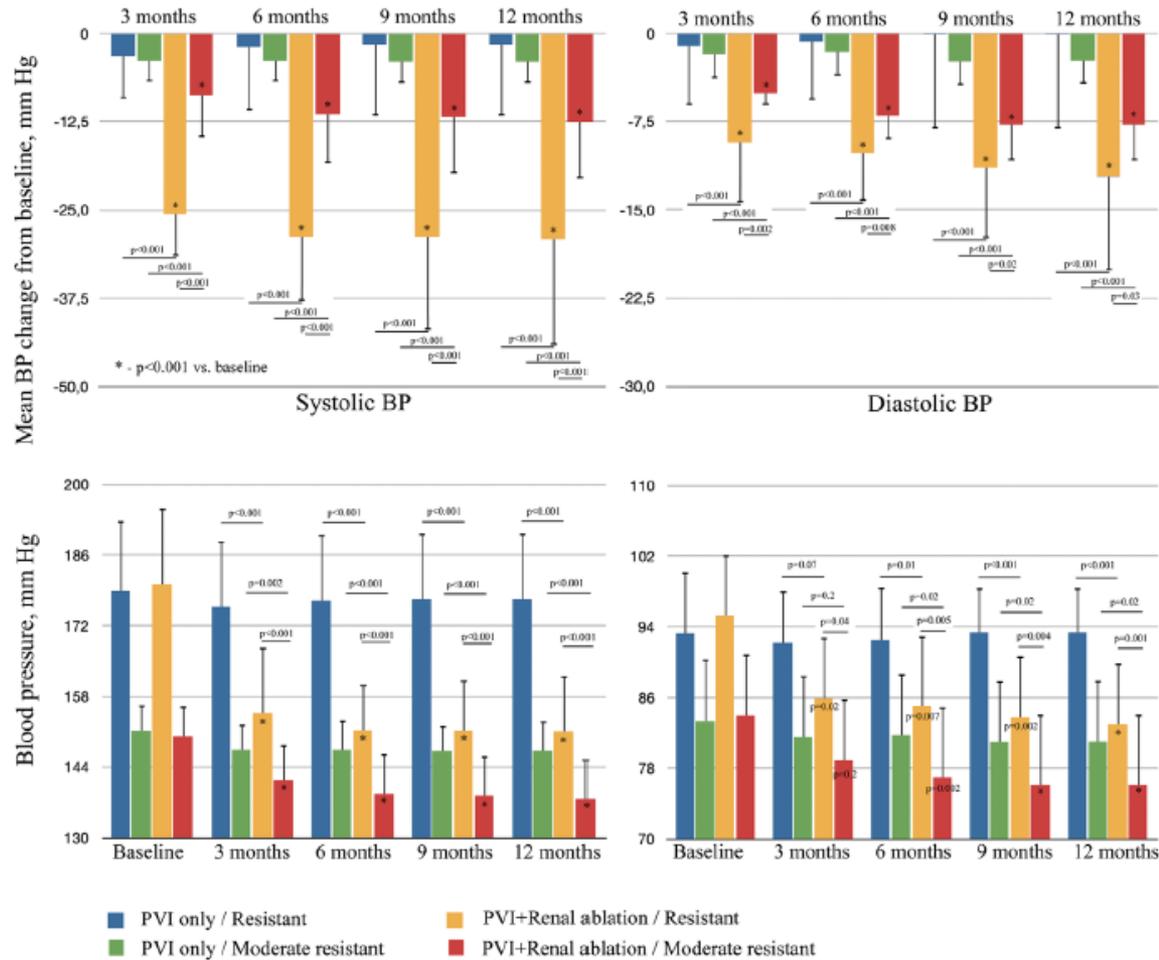
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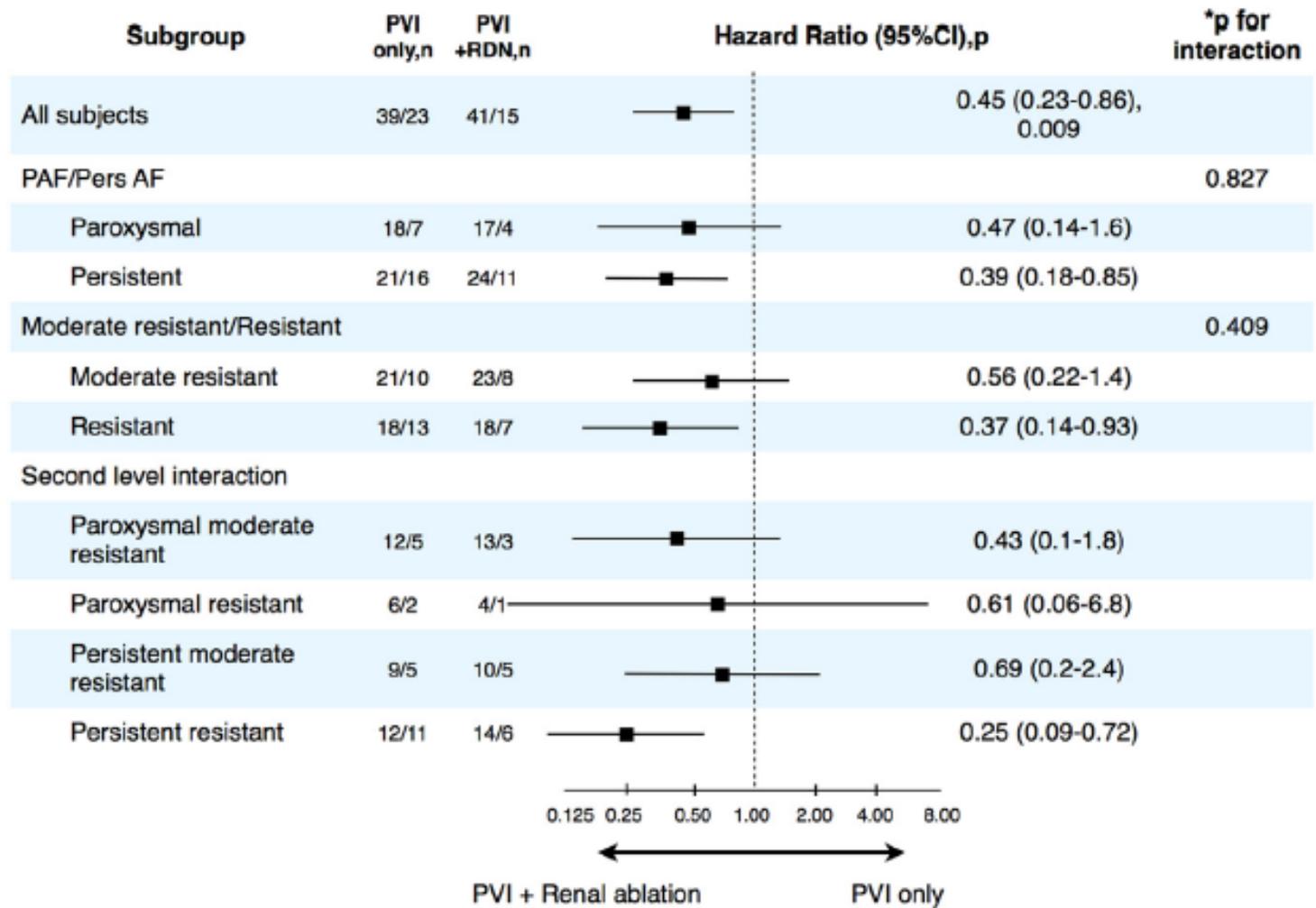
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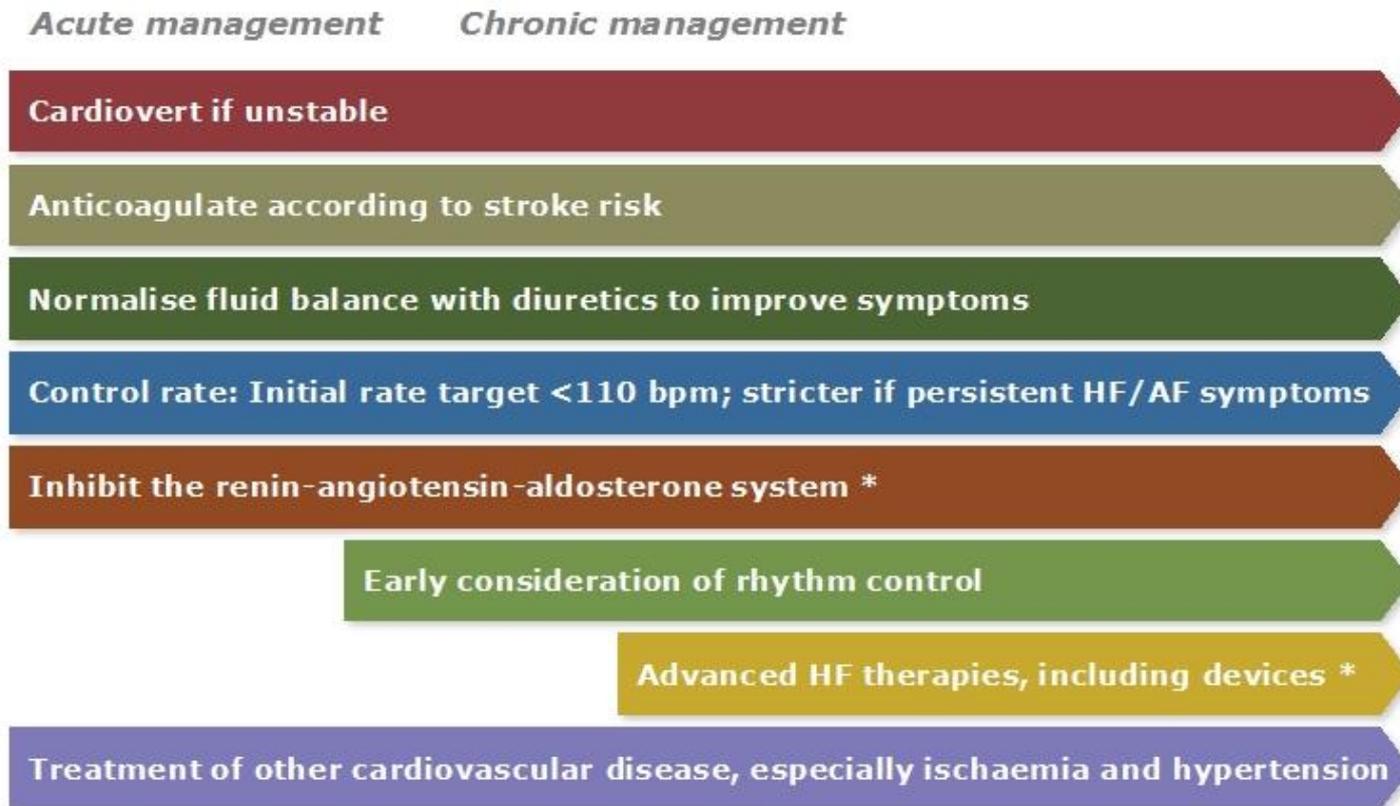
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