

Sudden Death Risk Assessment in Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy

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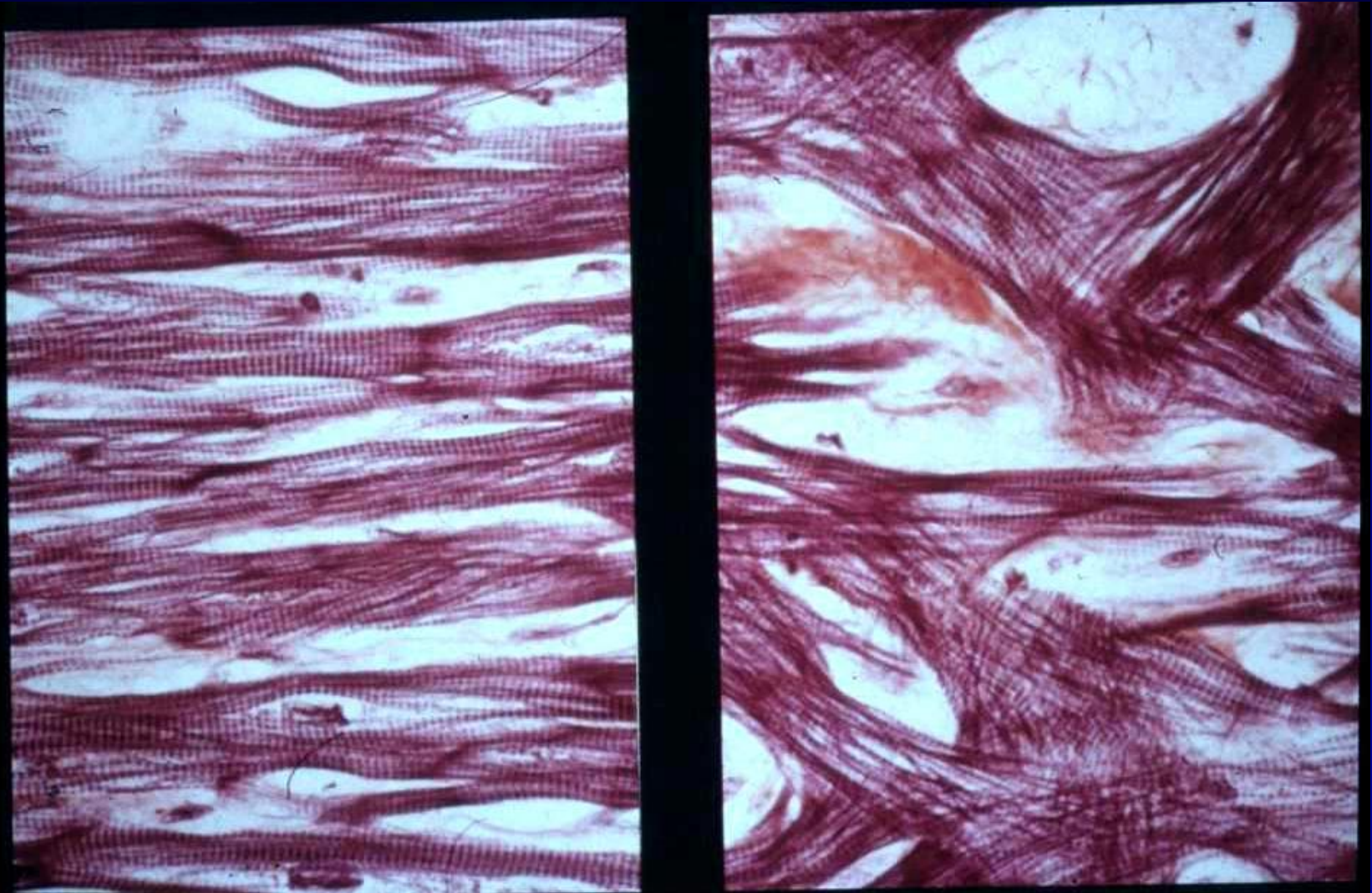


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>3cm LVH

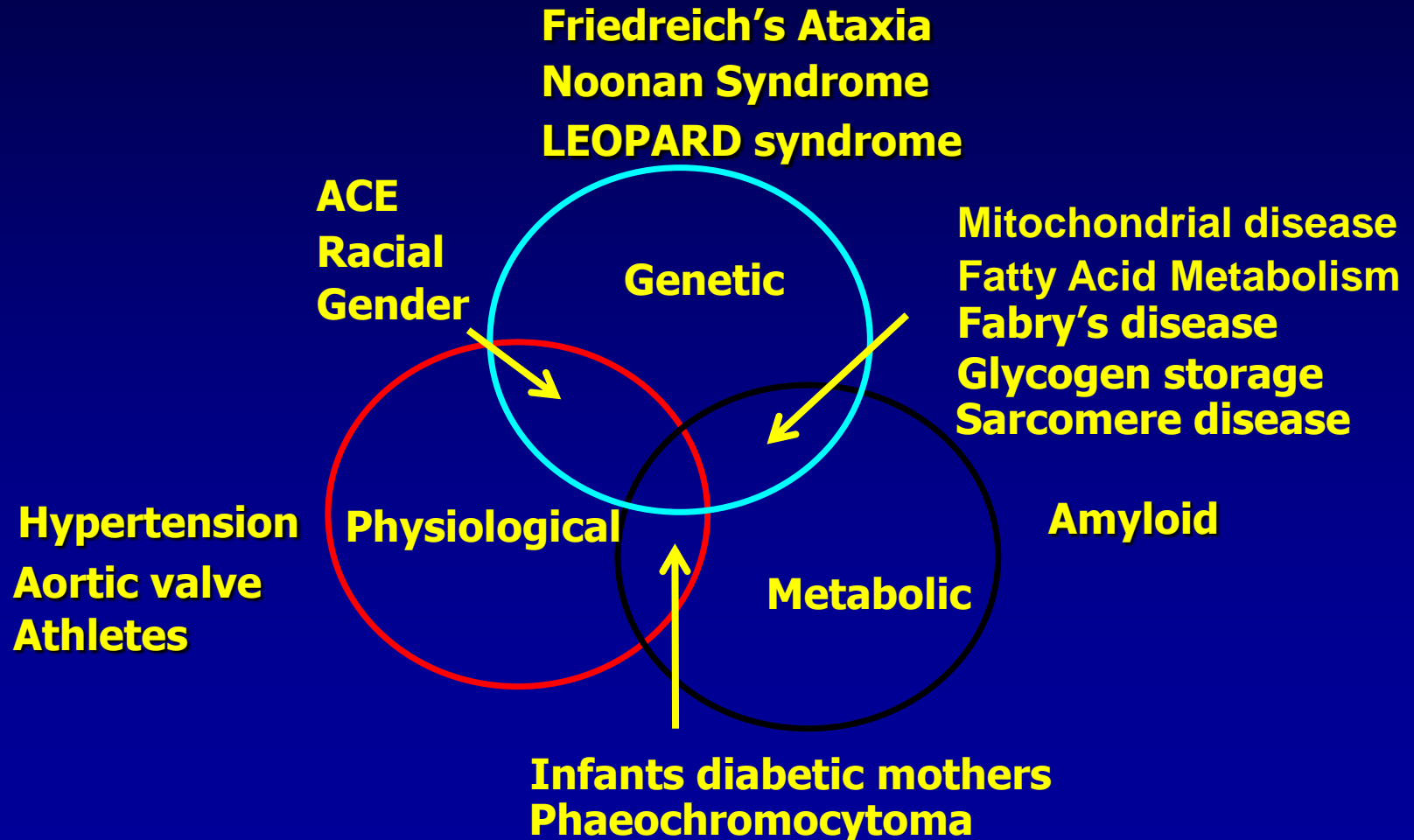


Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy

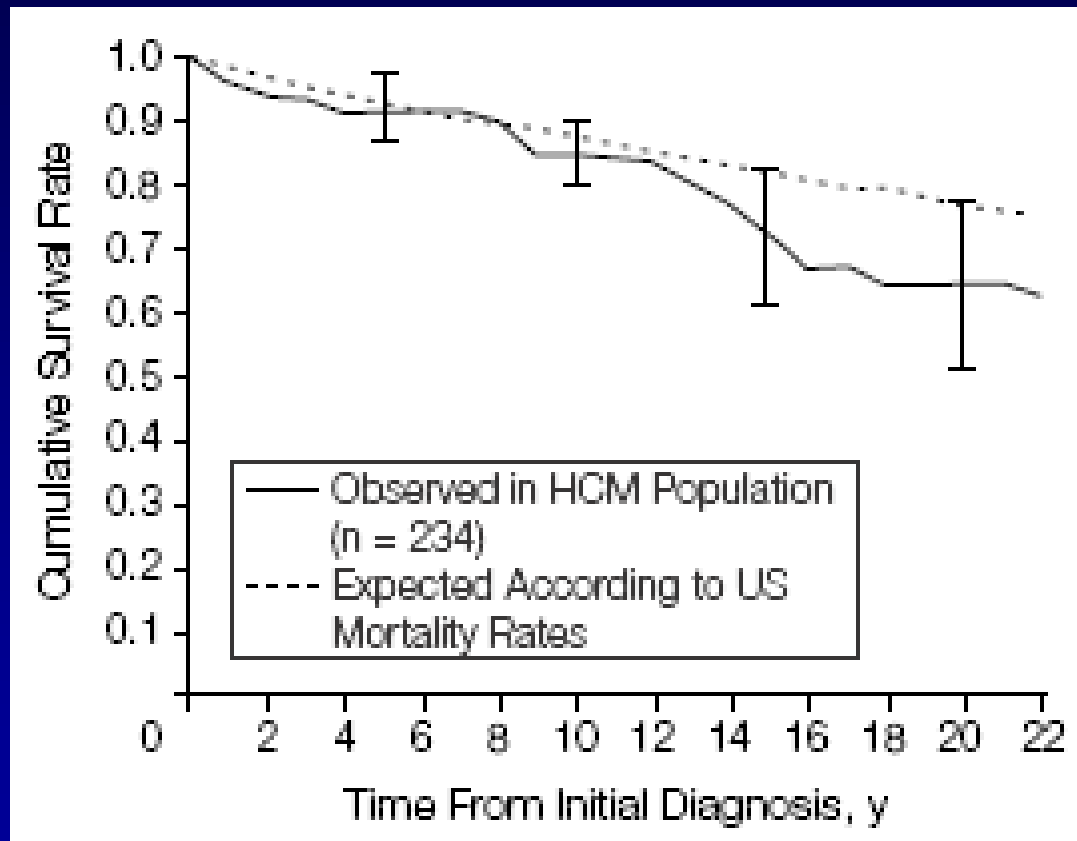


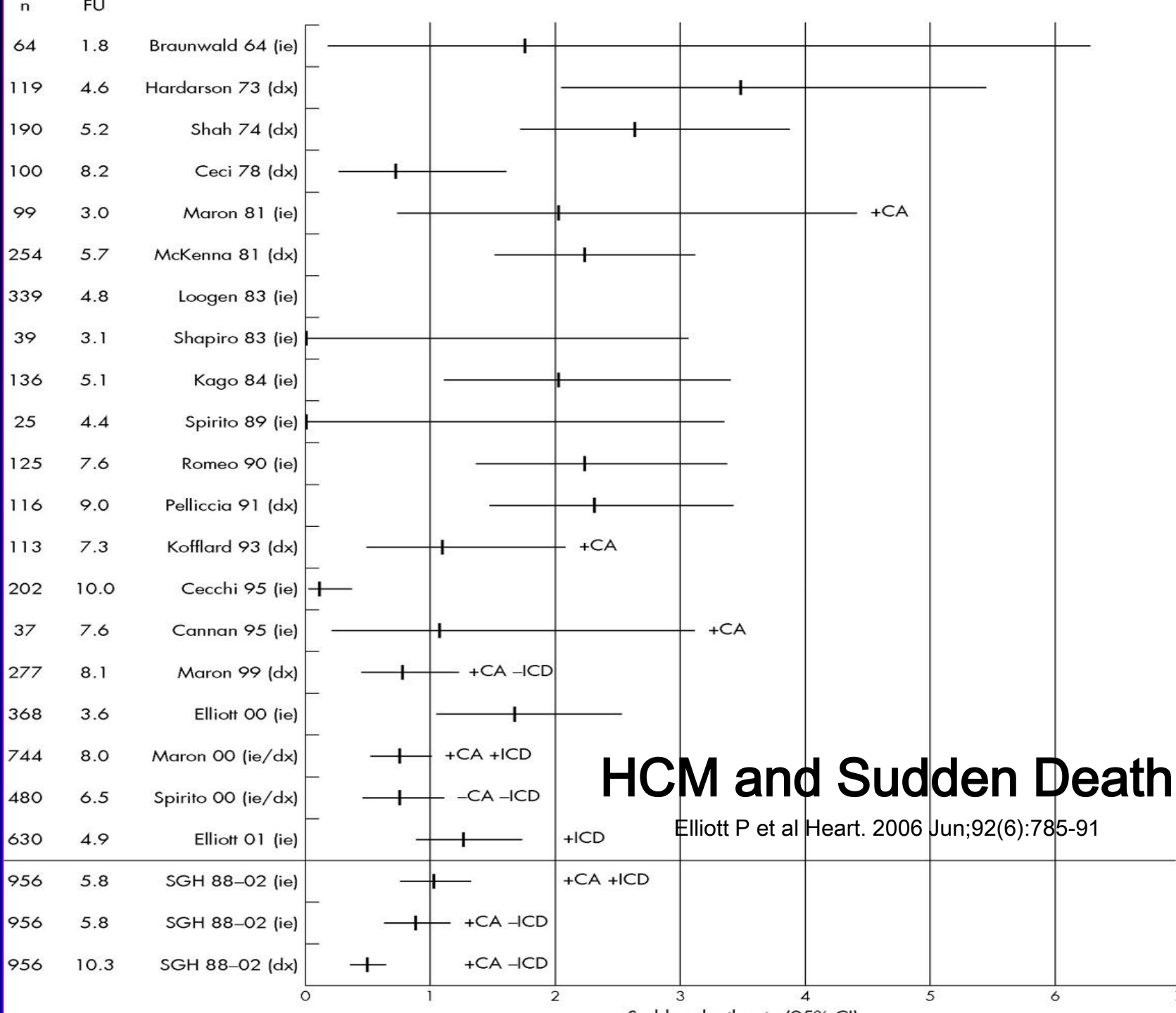
Pathological Dx - disarray

Causes of Left Ventricular Hypertrophy



Cumulative survival after initial diagnostic evaluation among adults





HCM and Sudden Death

Elliott P et al Heart. 2006 Jun;92(6):785-91

Risk Factors in HCM

Youth

Genotype

Family history

Exercise capacity

Syncope

Severe LVH

Large gradient

Diastolic dysfunction

Abn exercise BP

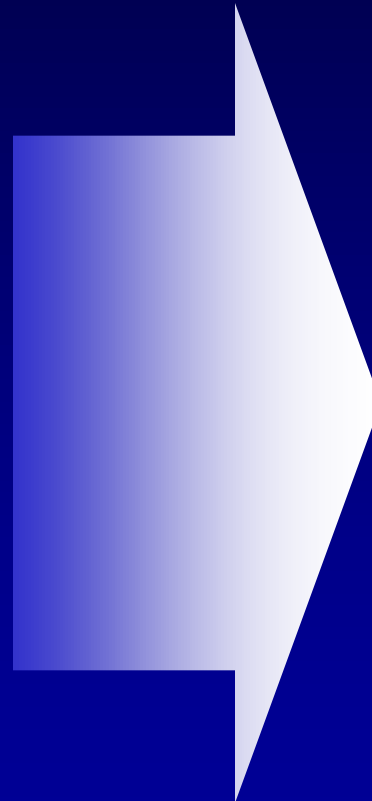
Ischemia

Atrial fibrillation

Non-sustained VT

Inducible VT / VF

Fractionation



Family history

Syncope

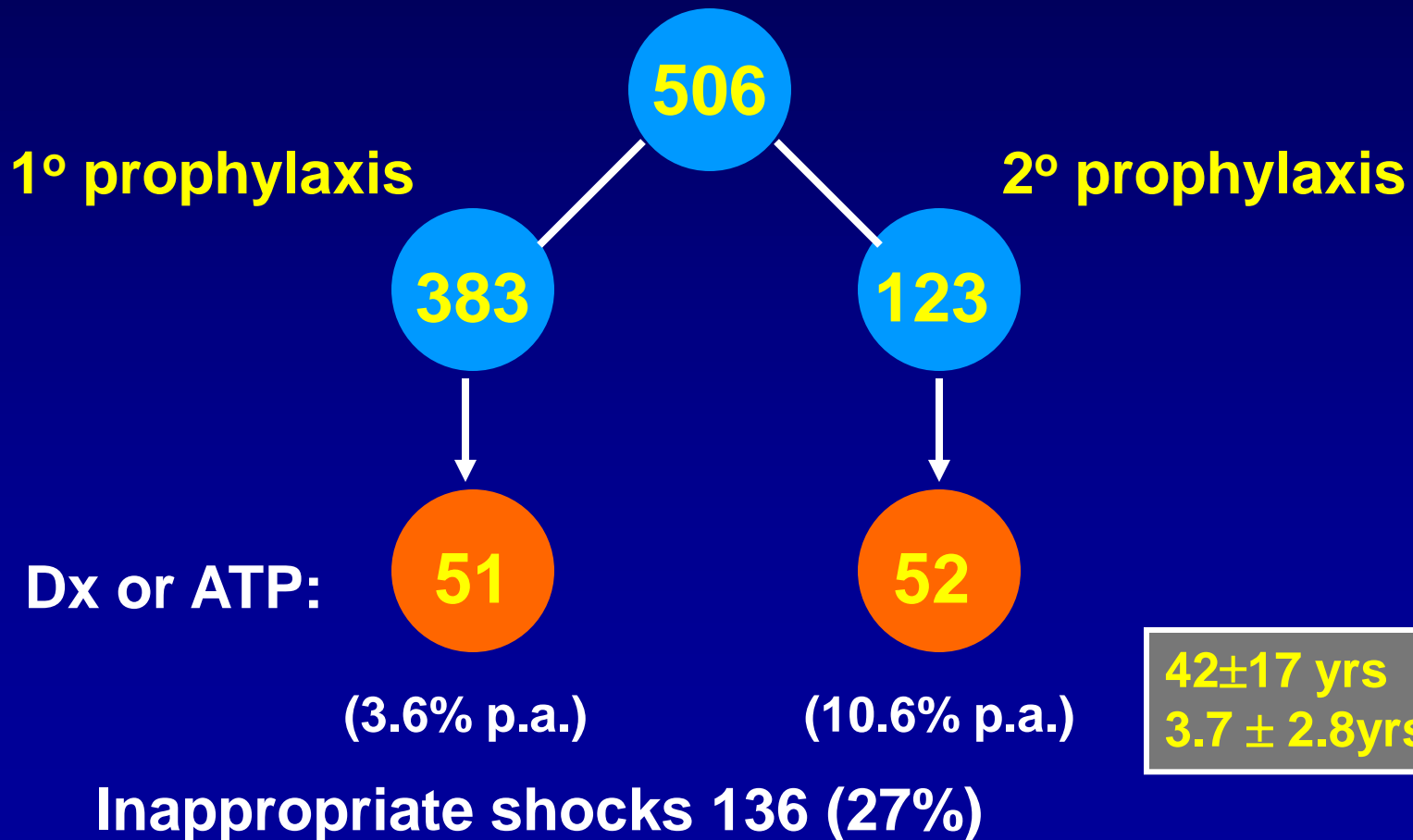
Exercise BP

NSVT

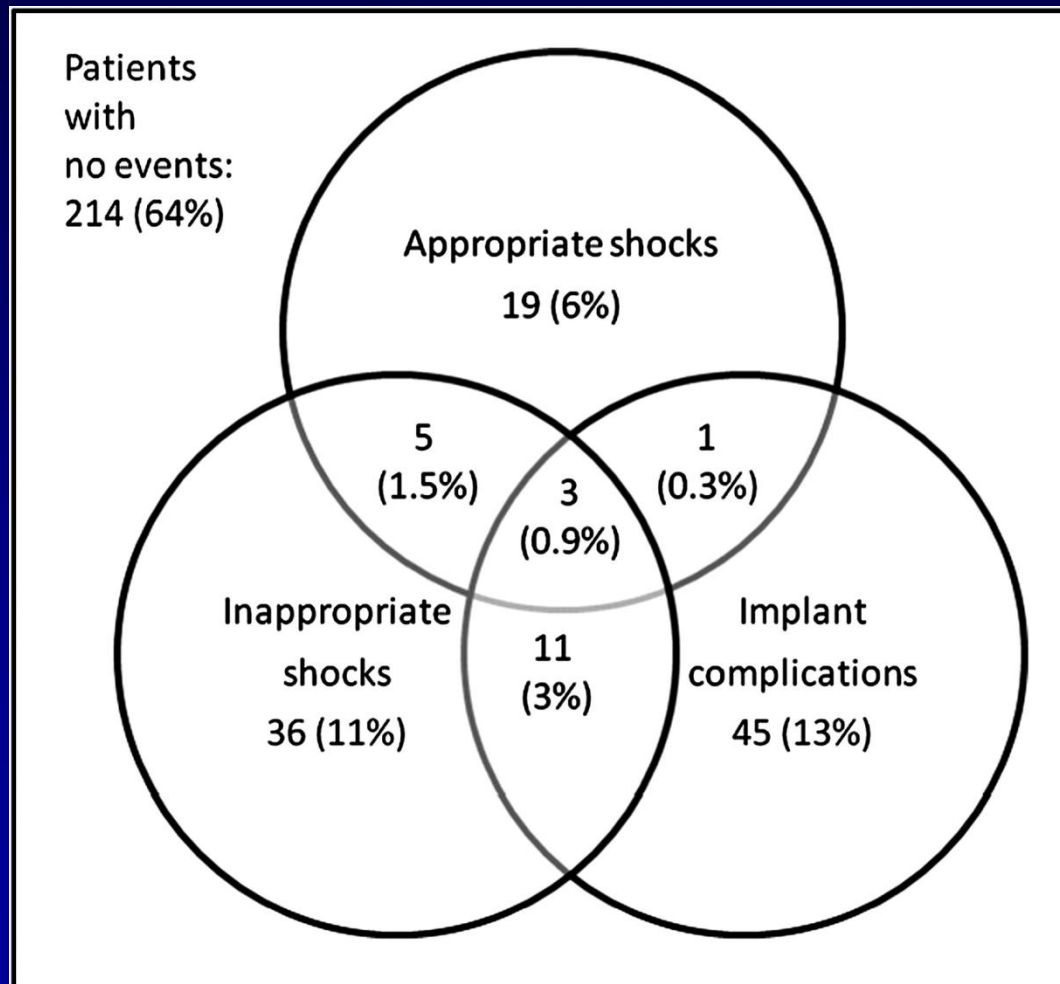
LVH

ICD in HCM

Maron B et al. JAMA 2007;298:405-12



ICD in HCM



Risk and Treatment in HCM

HIGH 3-6%	Cardiac Arrest (VT/VF) ≥ 2 clinical risk factors	ICD
MEDIUM 1.2% (0.2-2.2)	Single risk factor	Individual- ised Rx
LOW <0.4%	No risk factors	Reassurance

Limitations of current approach to risk stratification

Family Hx

- ? accuracy
- ? denominator

Syncope

- 'unexplained'

LVH, Ex BP

- use of ROC cut off to define risk
- accuracy of measurements

NSVT

- differentiation from aberrancy in pts with PAF

Limited Data Zone

Single risk factor

- Family history of sudden death
 - low positive predictive accuracy
 - high anxiety / legal risk

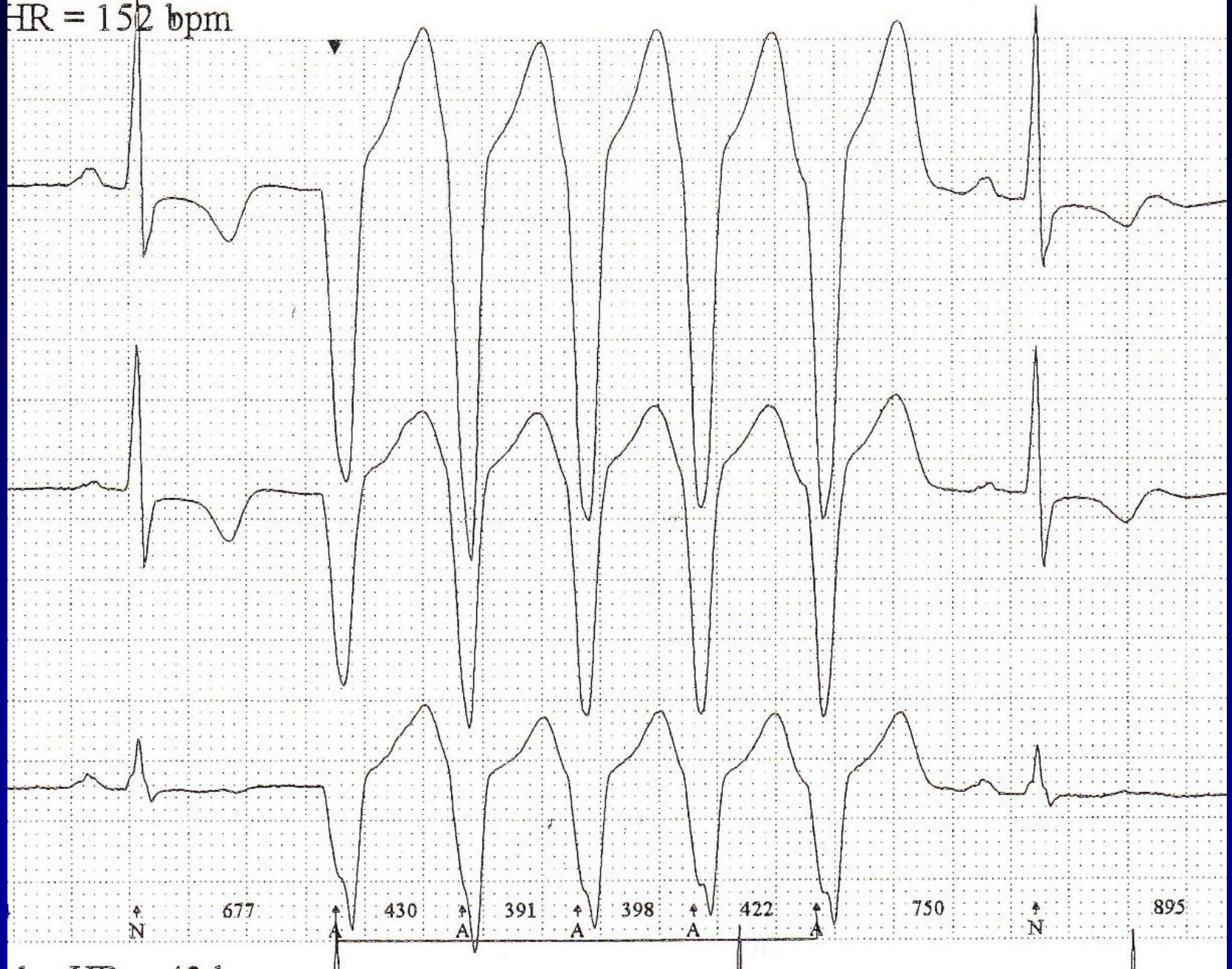
hypothesis

risk is heterogeneous even within
'malignant' families

Plan: risk stratify

Rx: low threshold for ICD

HR = 152 bpm



Limited Data Zone

Single risk factor

- **Non sustained VT on 24hr ECG**
age 15 – relative risk 6
age 50 – relative risk 2

Montserrat, JACC 2003

Rx ICD in adolescent
No Rx, BB or amio in adult

Limited Data Zone

Single risk factor

- Abnormal exercise BP response
 - age 15 – relative risk 2 - 3
 - age 50 – relative risk < 2

Plan: define cause of Abn BP

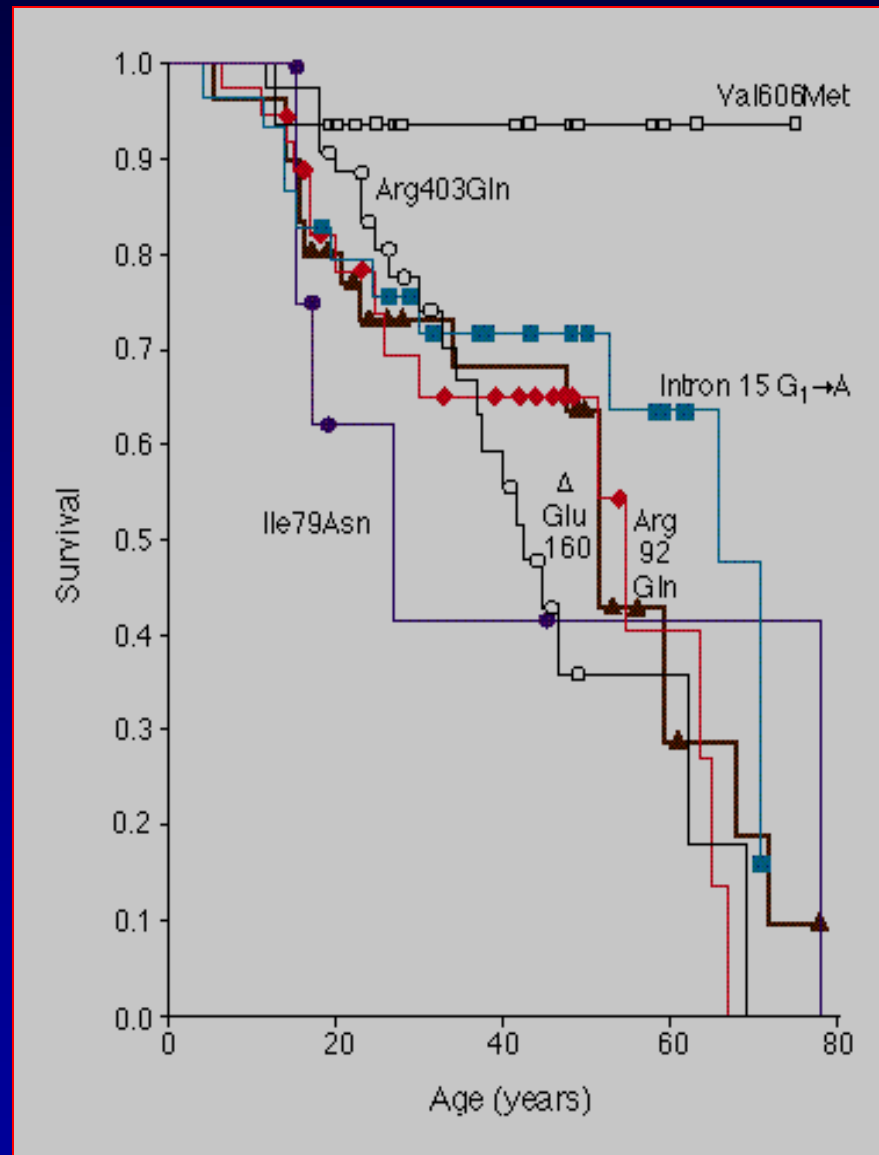
- obstruction
- ischemia
- MR
- abn vasc responses (Troponin T)

} Rx



Rx: consider ICD

Troponin T Mutations & Survival



*Watkins et al,
NEJM 1995;332:1058*

Data Free Zone

Single risk factor

- **Asymptomatic severe LVOT obstruction**
VO₂ >75% predicted
- **Rx options:** do nothing
diso + BB
myectomy
alcohol ablation
ICD

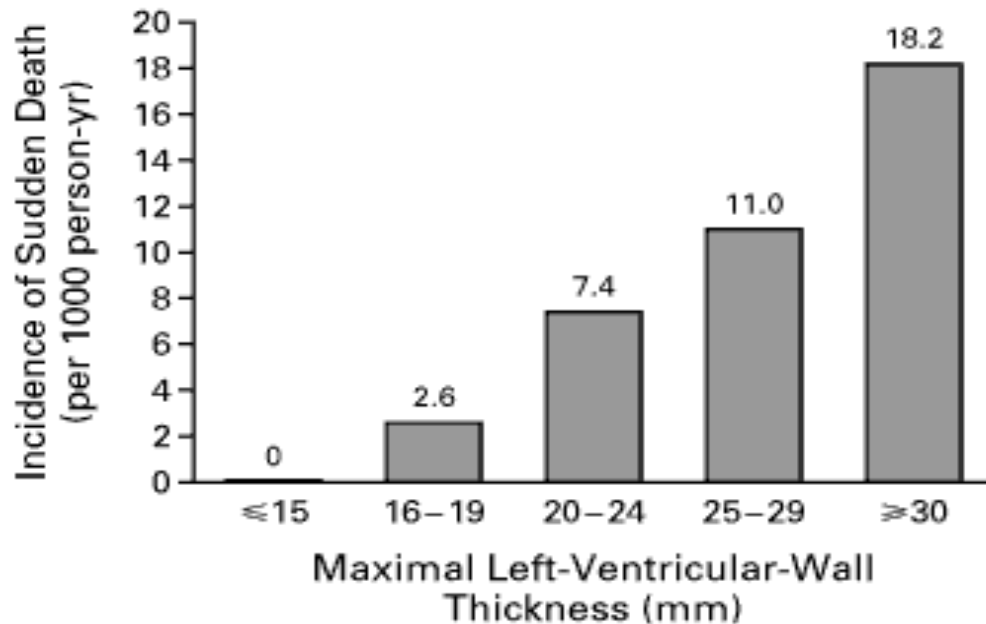
Limited Data Zone

Single risk factor

- $\geq 3\text{cm}$ LVH
 age 15
 age 50

Spirito P, NEJM 2000
Elliott PM, Lancet 2001

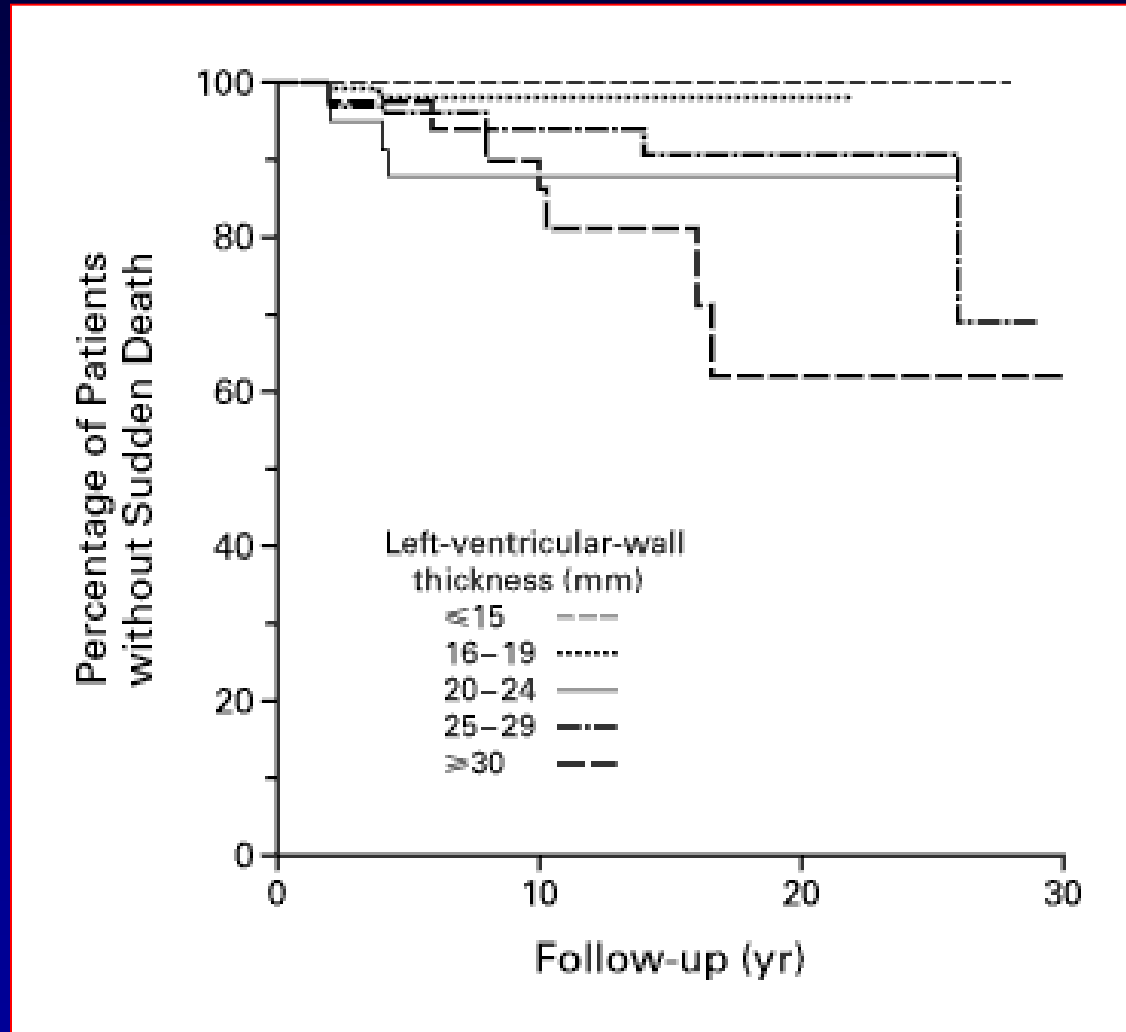
LVH and Sudden Death



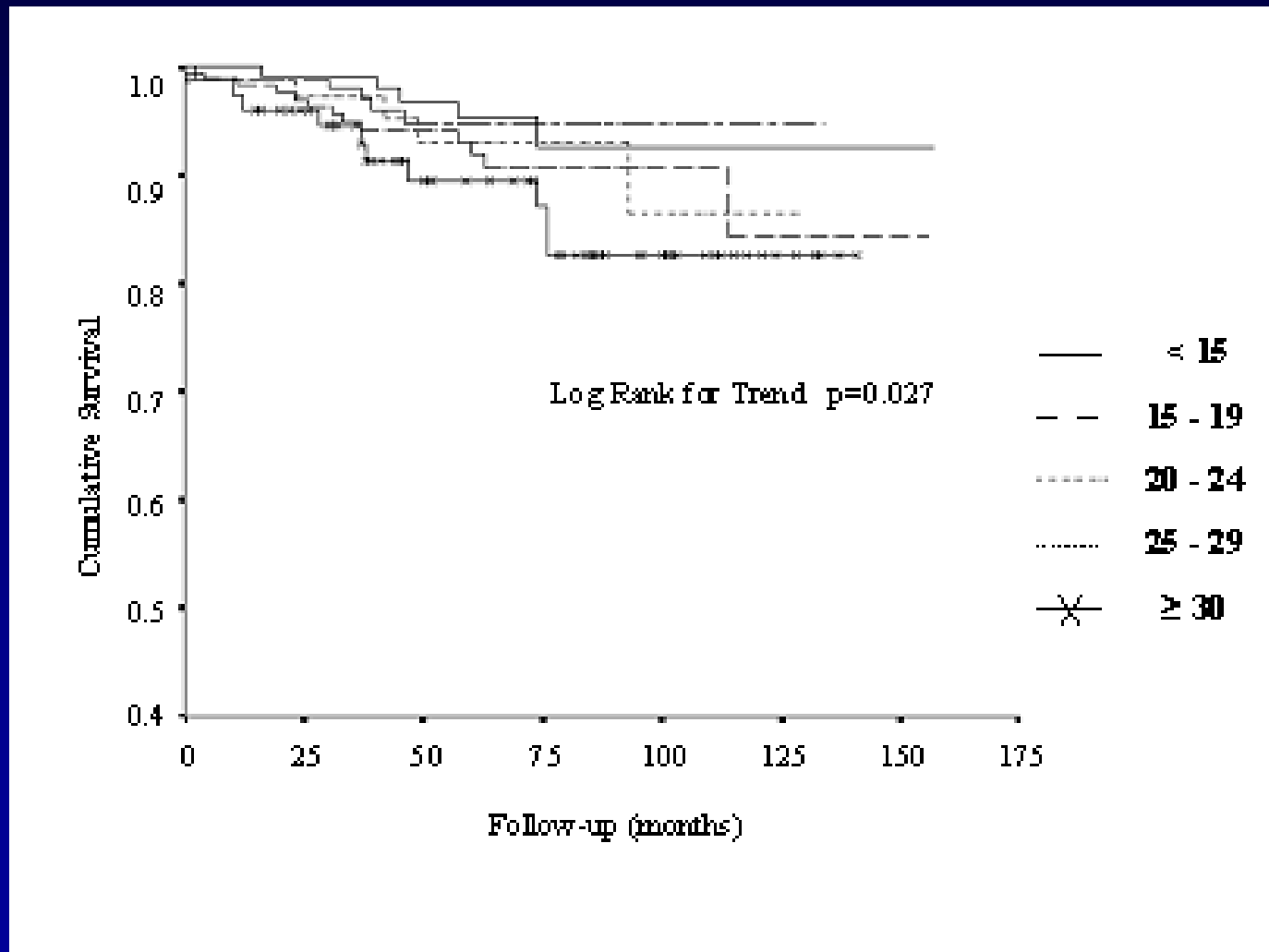
N=480

PPA=16% for ≥30 mm

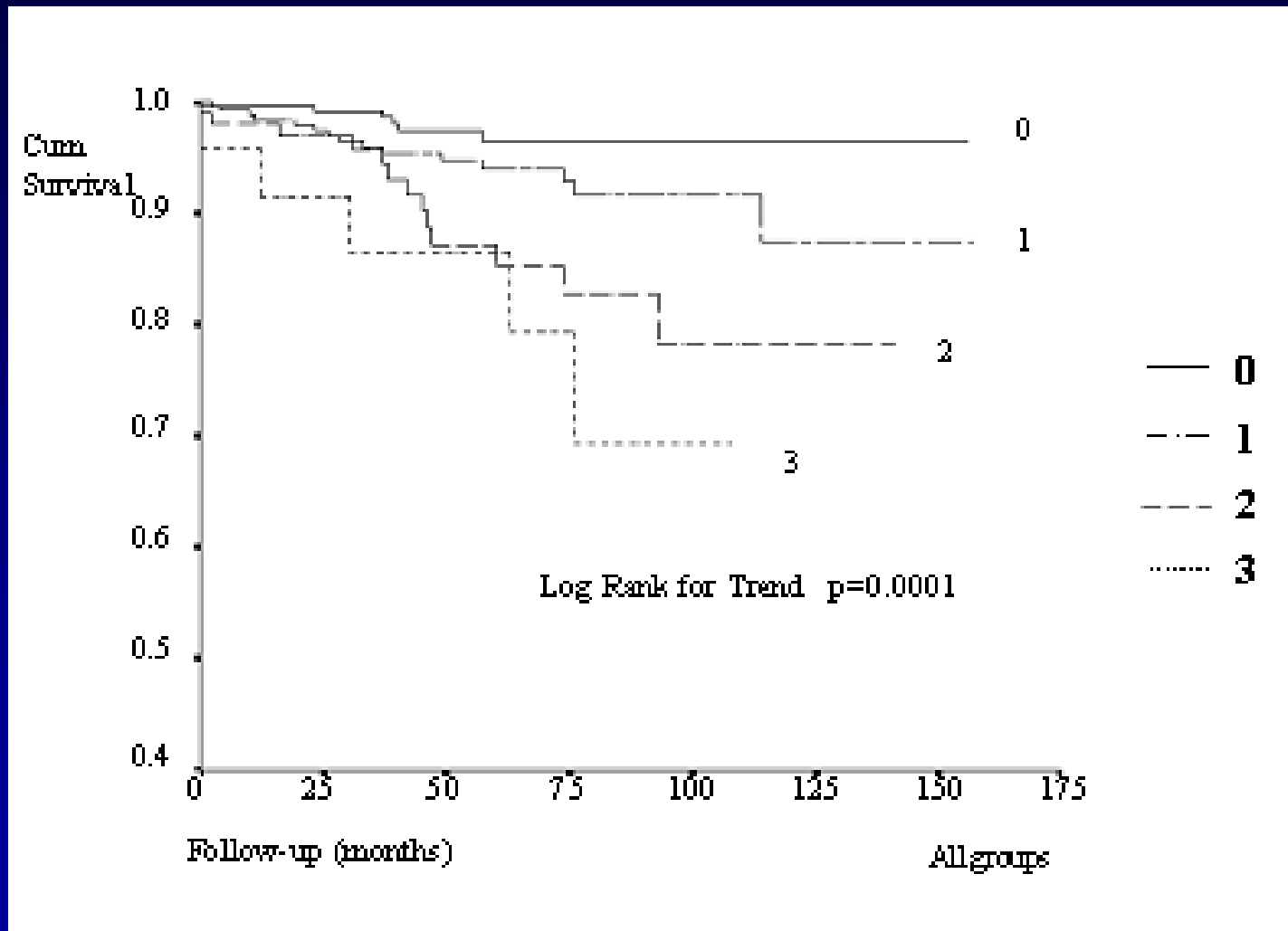
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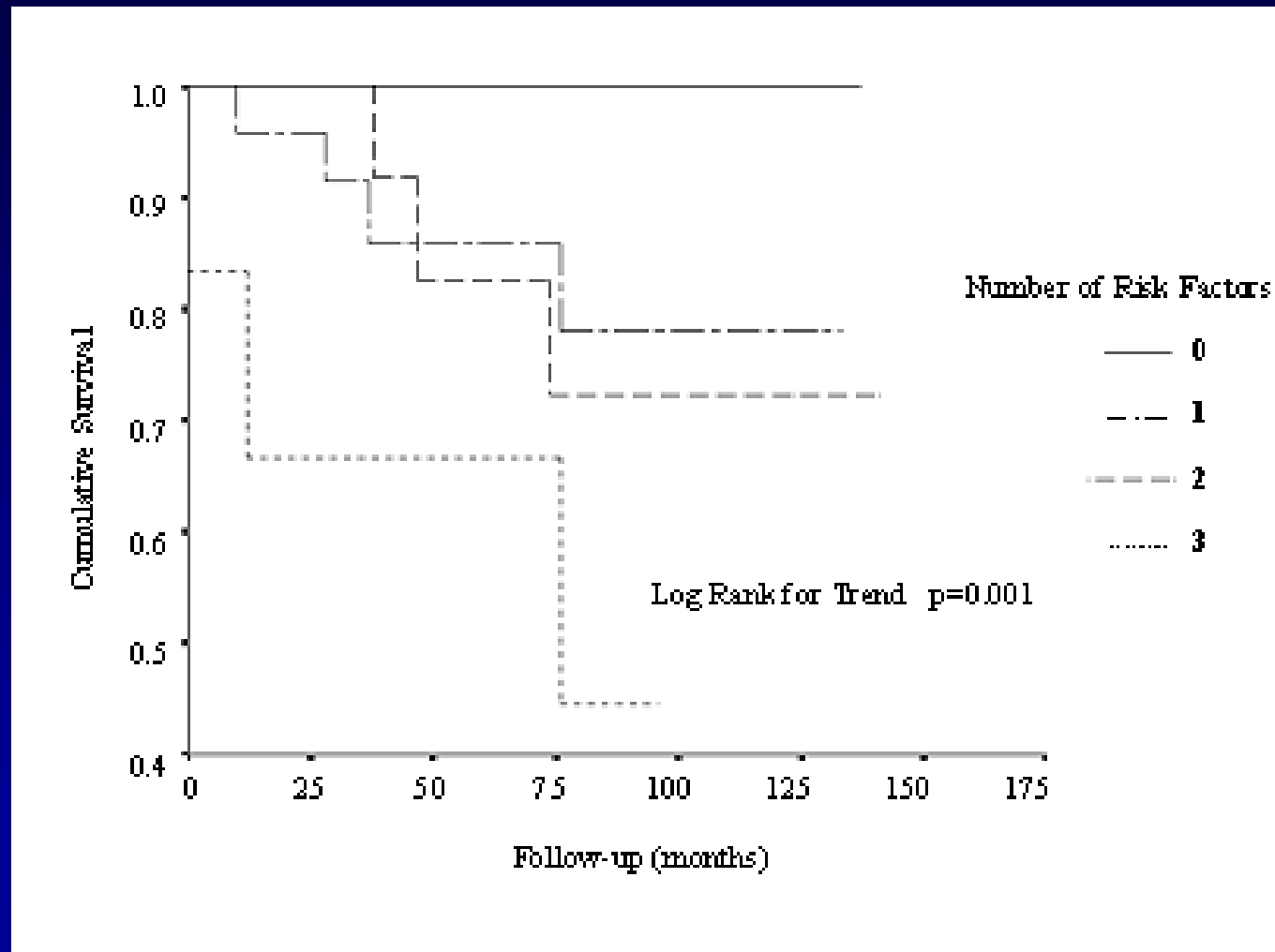
LVH and Sudden Death



Risk Factors & Sudden Death



Risk Factors & Sudden Death in Severe LVH ($\geq 3\text{cm}$)



SCD Risk Predictors in HCM

<i>Predictor variable</i>	SCD risk prediction model	
	Hazard Ratio (95% Confidence Interval)	p
<i>Age (years)</i>	0.98 (0.97, 0.99)	0.001
<i>Maximal wall thickness (mm)</i>	1.17 (1.01, 1.37)	0.042
<i>Maximal wall thickness² (mm²)</i>	0.997 (0.99, 1.0003)	0.078
<i>Left atrial diameter (mm)</i>	1.03 (1.01, 1.05)	0.006
<i>LV outflow gradient (mmHg)</i>	1.004 (1.001, 1.01)	0.021
<i>Family History SCD</i>	1.58 (1.18, 2.13)	0.002
<i>NSVT</i>	2.29 (1.64, 3.18)	<0.001
<i>Unexplained syncope</i>	2.05 (1.48, 2.82)	<0.001

Absolute Risk Assessment in HCM

Age and NSVT

Age and LVH

Pt characteristic	
Age	17
MWT	23
LA	44
LVOTO	64
FHSCD	0
NSVT	1
Syncope	0
PI	3.99
Survival	0.897431905
SCD at 5y	<u>10.25680946</u>

Pt characteristic	
Age	58
MWT	23
LA	44
LVOTO	64
FHSCD	0
NSVT	1
Syncope	0
PI	3.252
Survival	0.94957981
SCD at 5y	<u>5.042018989</u>

Pt characteristic	
Age	50
MWT	23
LA	44
LVOTO	64
FHSCD	0
NSVT	0
Syncope	0
PI	2.57
Survival	0.974181337
SCD at 5y	<u>2.581866337</u>

Pt characteristic	
Age	50
MWT	33
LA	44
LVOTO	64
FHSCD	0
NSVT	0
Syncope	0
PI	2.48
Survival	0.976377052
SCD at 5y	<u>2.362294786</u>

Pt characteristic	
Age	17
MWT	33
LA	44
LVOTO	64
FHSCD	0
NSVT	0
Syncope	0
PI	3.074
Survival	0.957624251
SCD at 5y	<u>4.237574868</u>

$$\hat{P}_{SCD\ at\ 5\ years} = 1 - 0.998^{\exp(\text{Prognostic Index})}$$

24 yr old university student

Dx age 6, asymptomatic

Family history - negative HCM or SD

MyBPC mutation

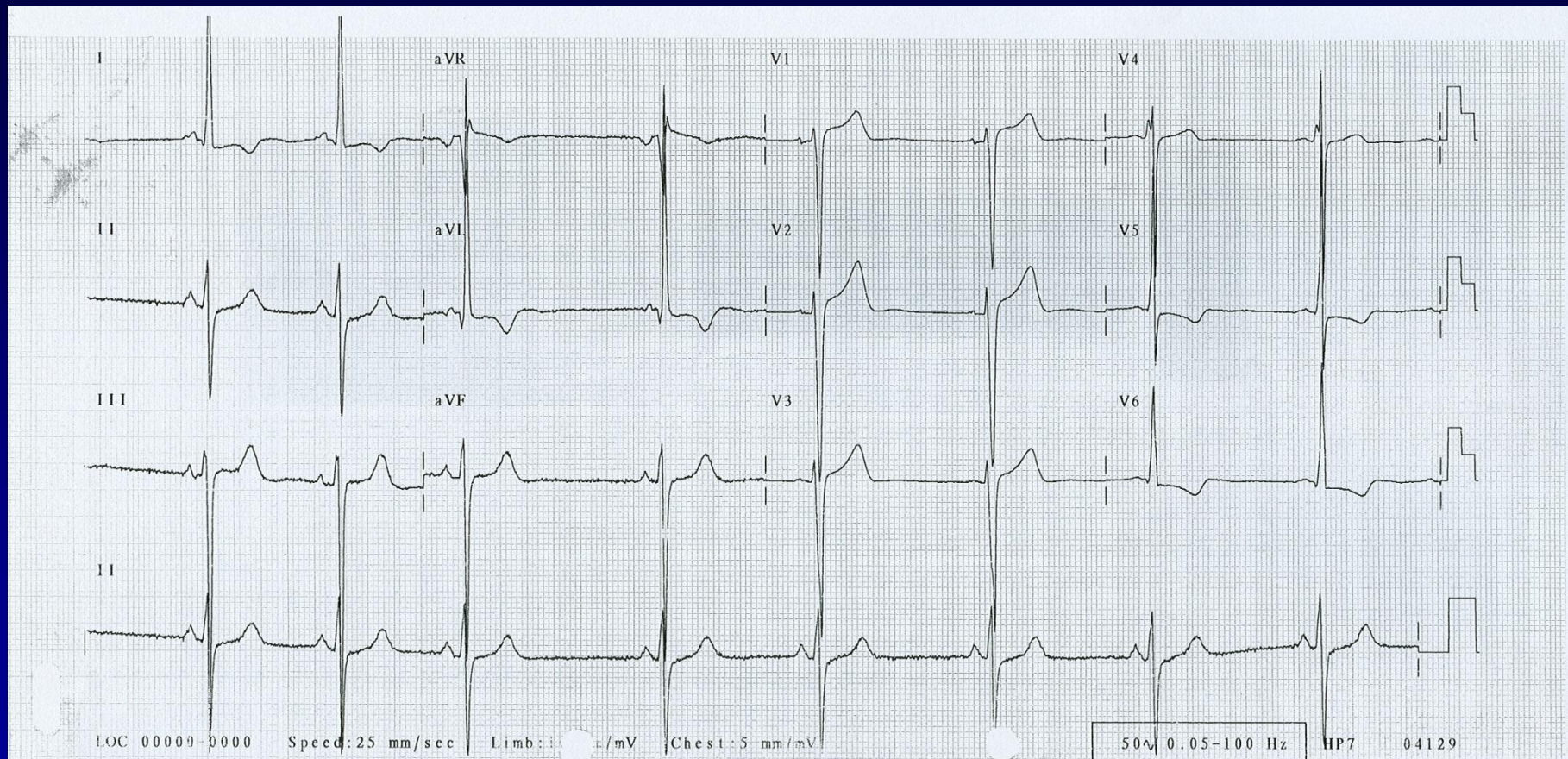
Echo **3 – 4 cm LVH**
diastolic dysfunction
LVOT obstruction
20 – 40 mmHg diso + BB
50 – 70 mmHg amio

VO2 80% predicted

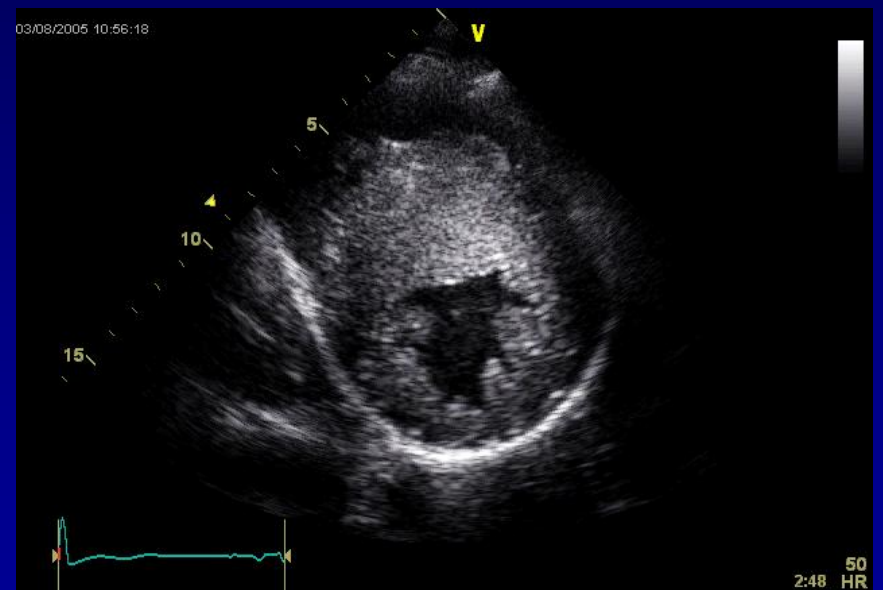
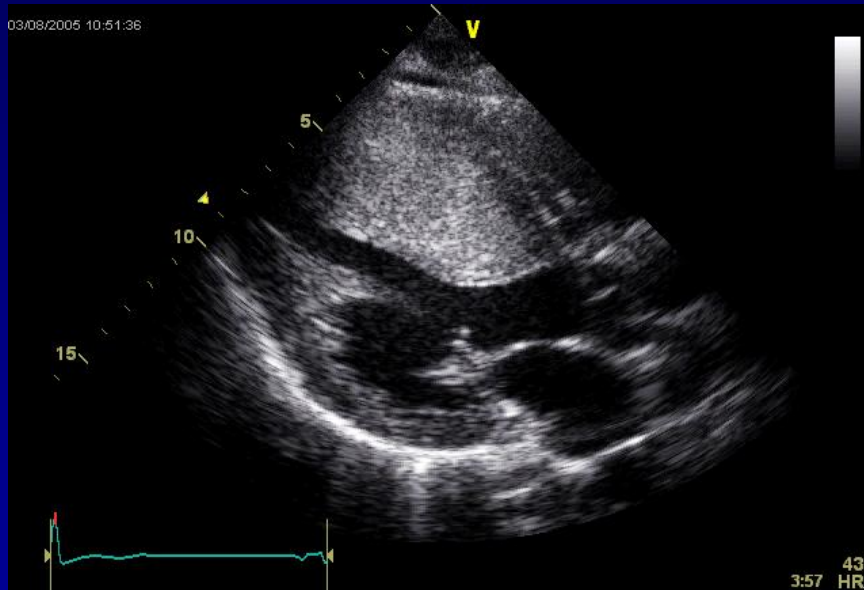
BP response normal (110 → 160 mmHg)

24 hr ECG – no arrhythmia

Age 19



>3cm LVH



Data Free Zone

- 3cm ASH + obstruction (30-70mmHg)

Rx options: no treatment
 ICD
 gradient reduction
 gradient reduction + ICD

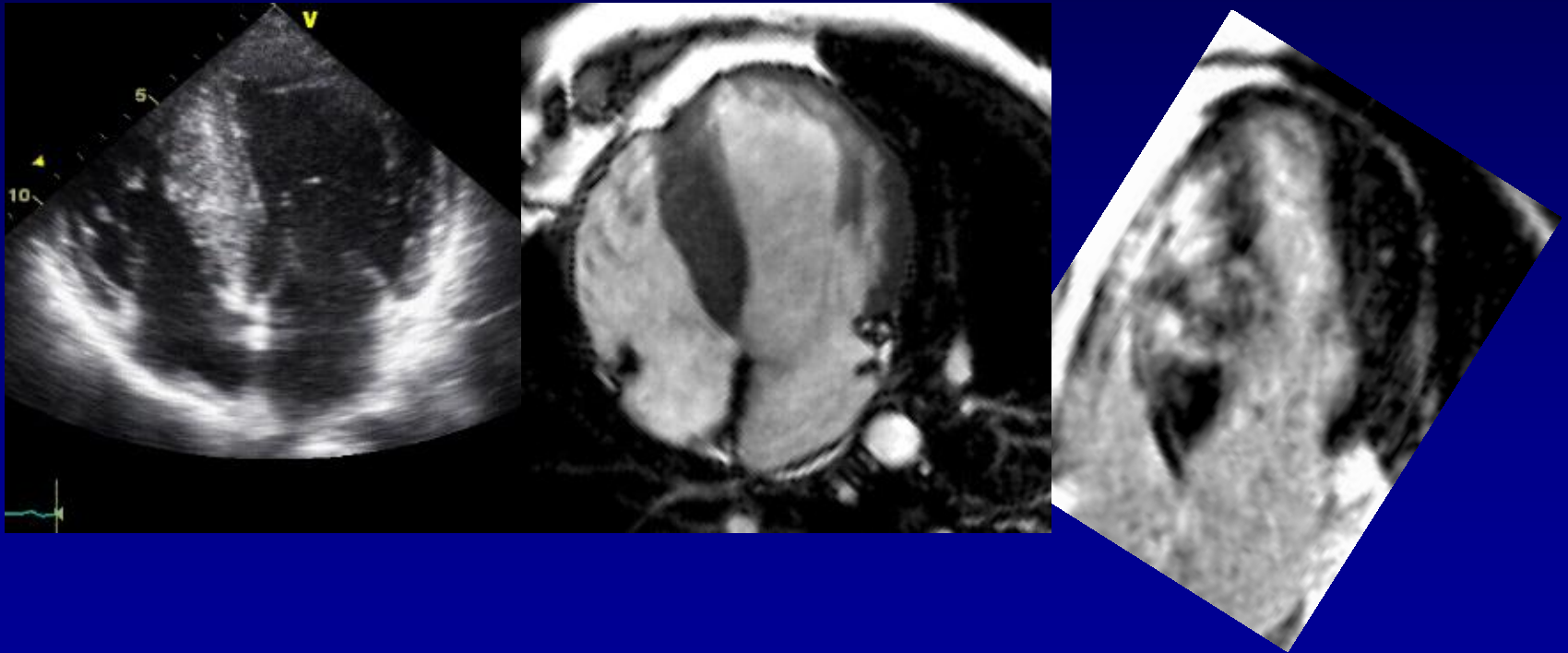
Additional: MRI (late enhancement)
tests exercise echo (obstruction)

Rx: myectomy (07/07)

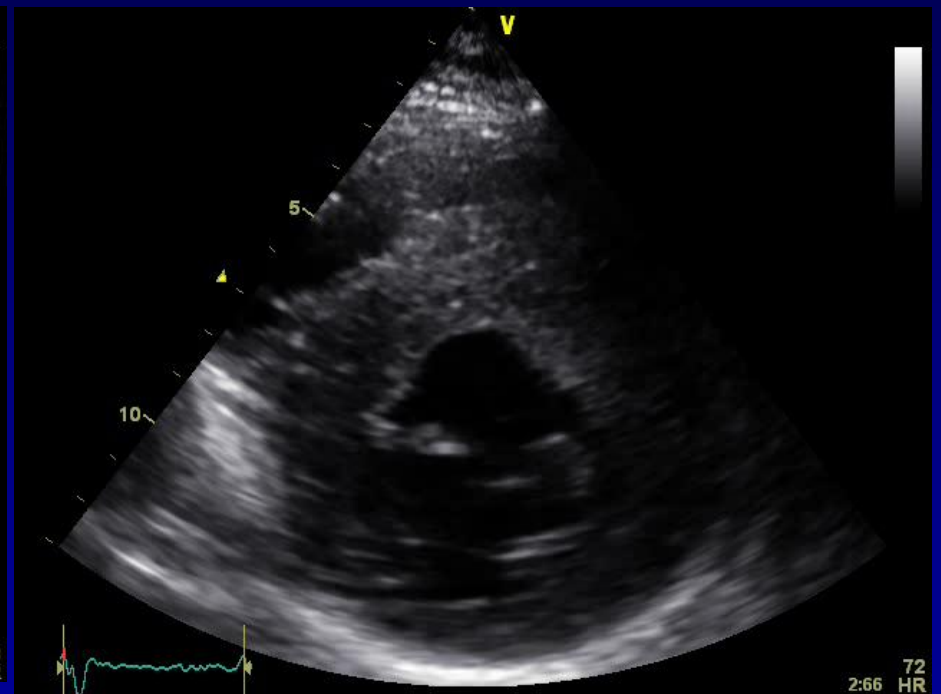
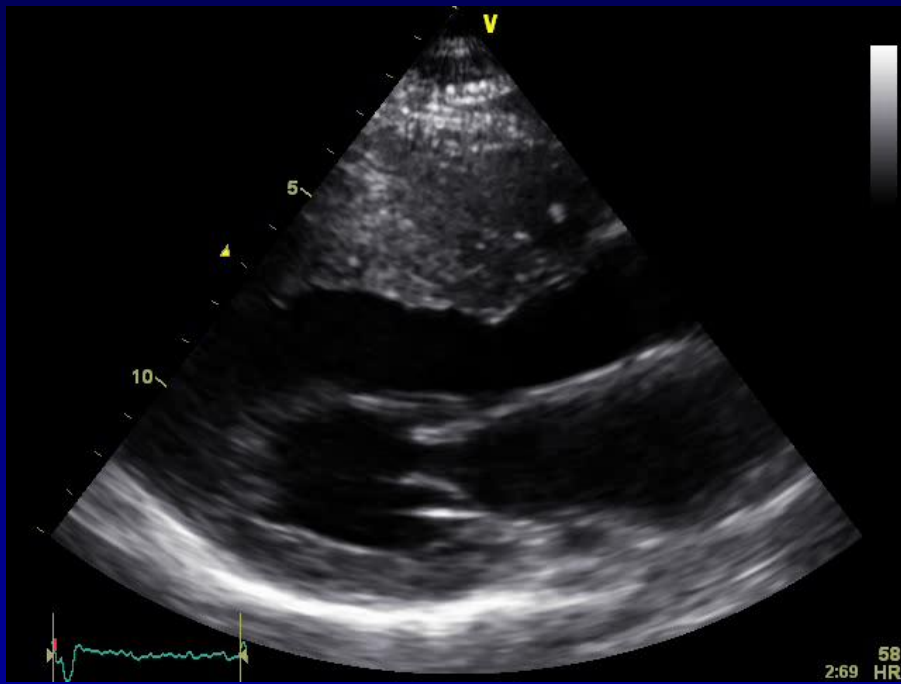
Absolute Risk Assessment in HCM

	Pt characteristics
Age	24
MWT	35
LA	40
LVOTO	50
FHSCD	0
NSVT	0
Syncope	0
PI	2.698
Survival	0.970708
SCD at 5y	<u>2.929216</u>

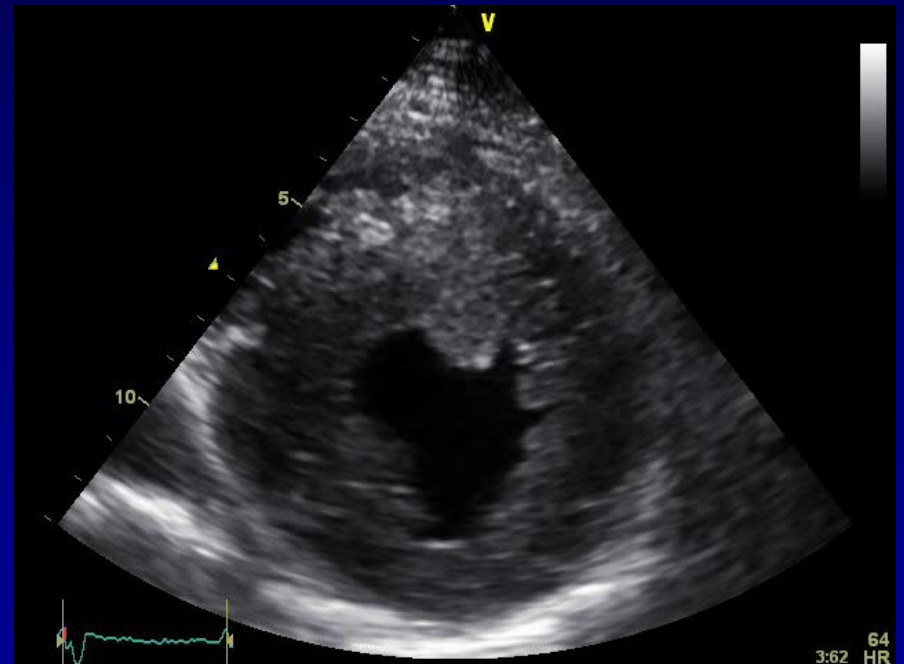
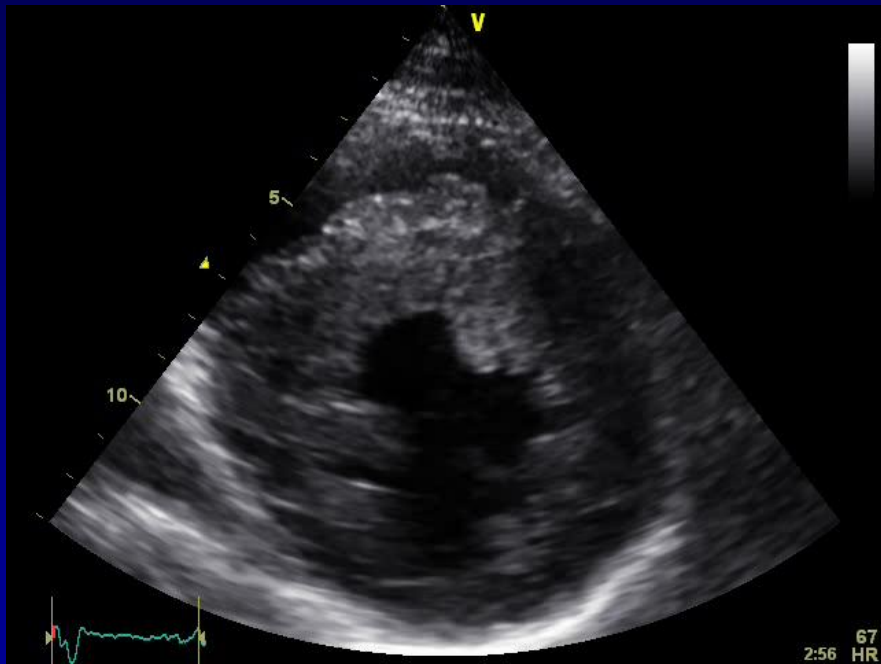
CMR – late enhancement



Post myectomy



Post myectomy



Summary

Risk assessment

- the absence of RF accurately identifies the low risk cohort
- multiple RF accurately identifies the high risk cohort
- the presence of a single risk factor identifies individuals at increased risk who warrant careful consideration for ICD
- the ability to establish absolute rather than relative risk should improve sudden death prevention