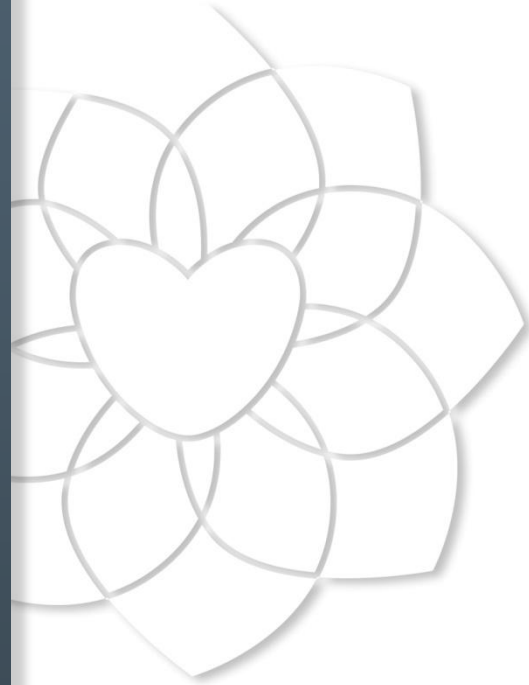


Management of the RV in cardiogenic shock

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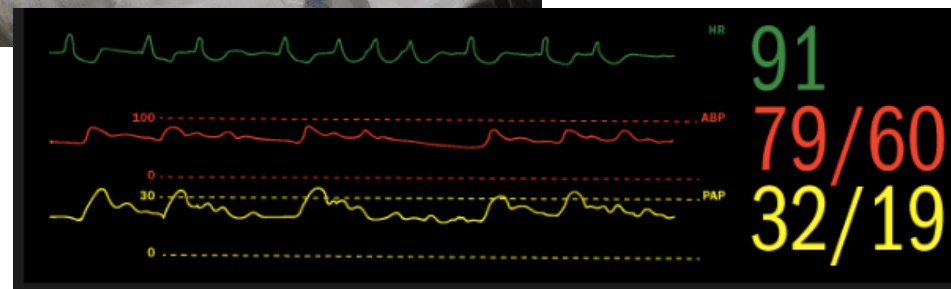
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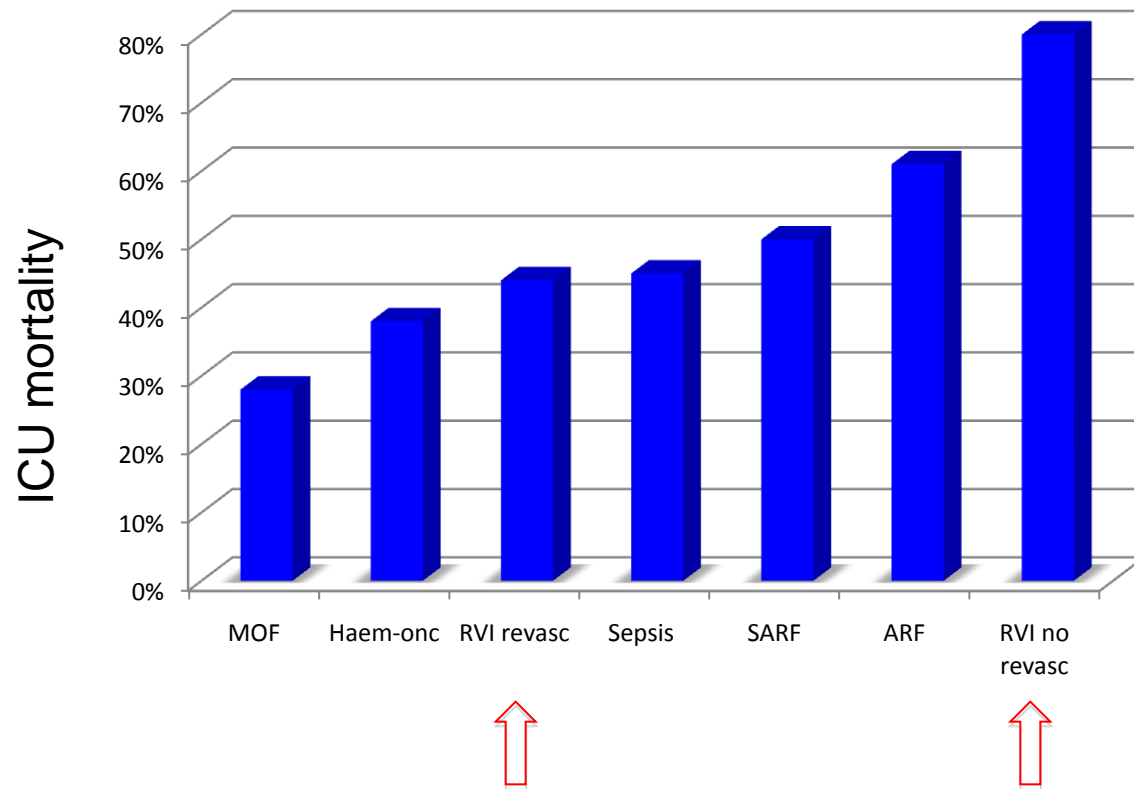
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Cardiogenic shock





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Guidelines, 2016



Statement

Contemporary management of acute right ventricular failure: a statement from the Heart Failure Association and the Working Group on Pulmonary Circulation and Right Ventricular Function of the European Society of Cardiology

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Complex, management requires understanding of anatomy and mechanics,
Identification
Treat underlying causes
Support

Uncertainties remain

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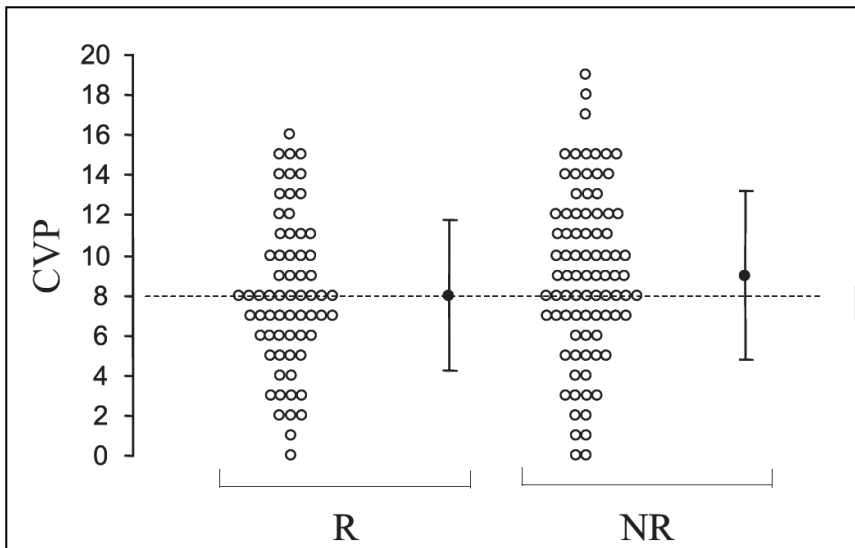
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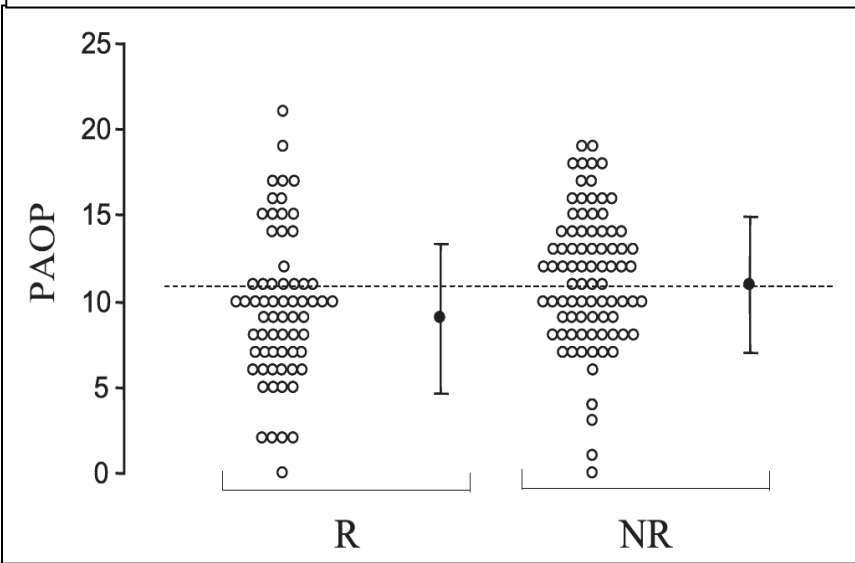
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Volume?



→ CVP: +ve predictive value 47%



→ PCWP: +ve predictive value 54%

RV preload optimisation

- Initial studies:
 - Normal saline infusion, maintaining RAP <10mmHg
- Later clinical studies
 - Variable response reported
 - Aim target PCWP 18-24 mmHg
- **Berisha et al.**, 41 patients, electrocardiographic and haemodynamic criteria for RV infarction
 - maximal RV SWI with filling pressure 10-14mmHg
 - mean RAP >14mmHg associated with RV distension
 - haemodynamic response variable - optimal PCWP (corresponding to maximum LVSWI) 16mmHg

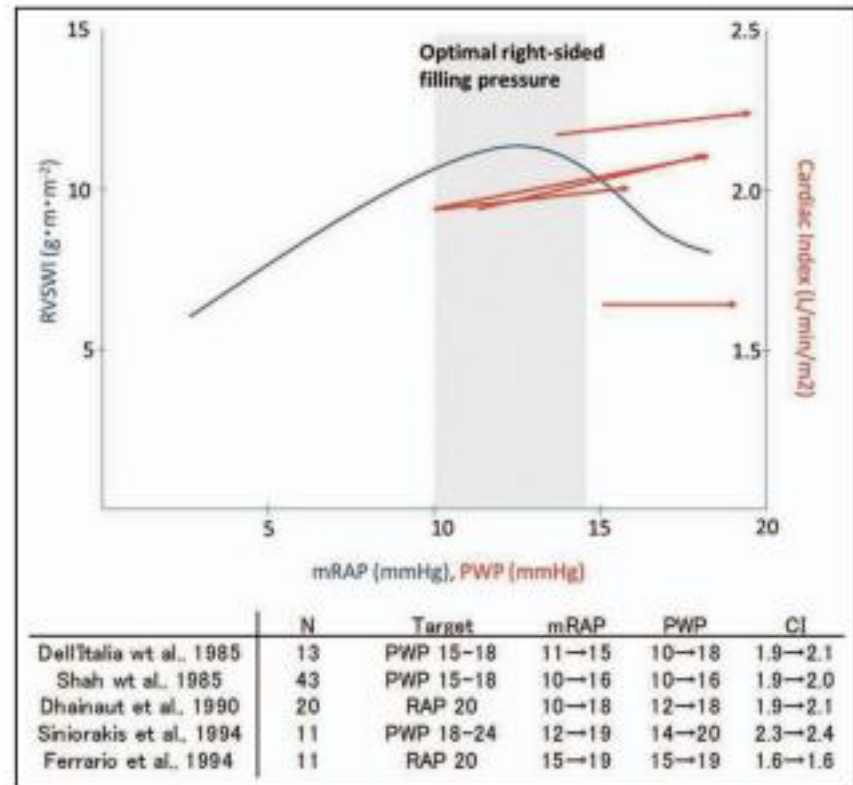
RV preload optimisation

Smaller studies: Change in PCWP and CI
 Wide variation in response
 No linear association with higher mRAP target

Practically:

Aim transmural pressure 8-12mmHg

Measure CO and ScvO₂/systemic organ perfusion
 (not well-studied in acute RV failure)

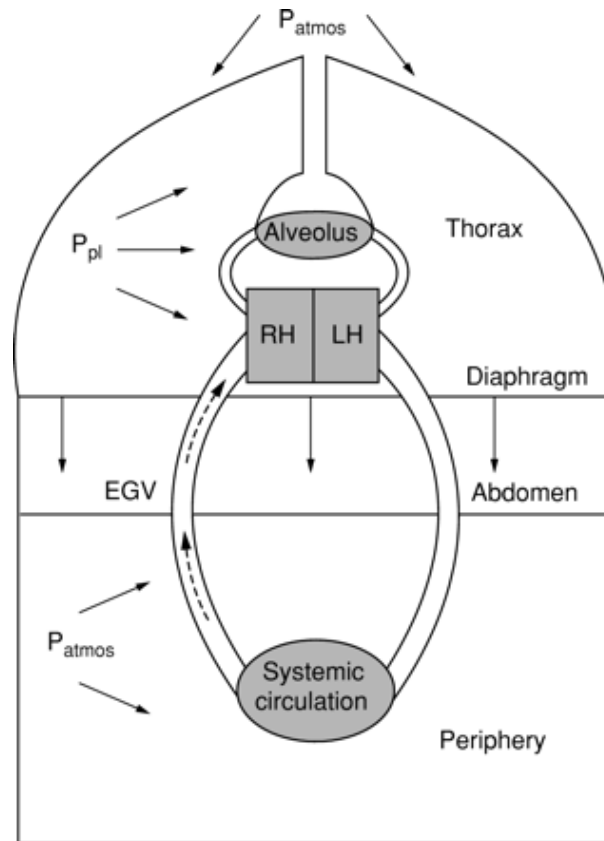


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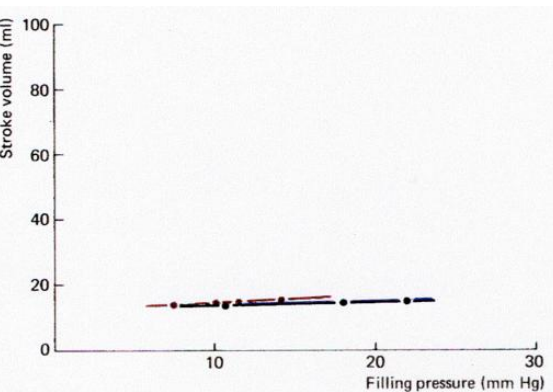
IPPV:
Increases ITP

Hypovolaemia:
Sepsis/SIRS
Vascular permeability
Insensible loss

P_{syst} reduced by
analgesia & sedatives



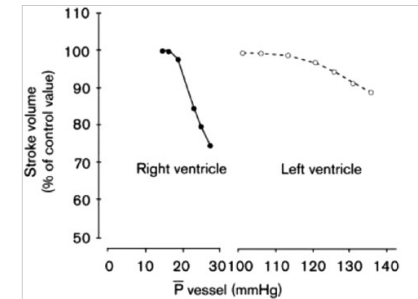
2. Pressure-volume



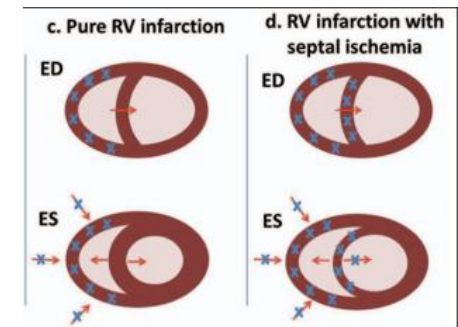
3. RV afterload evaluation

PVR normal: need increased RVEDP

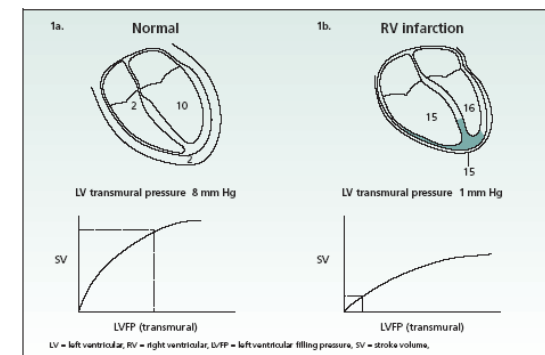
PVR elevated: increase in RVEDP will shift septum



4. Septal involvement



5. The pericardium



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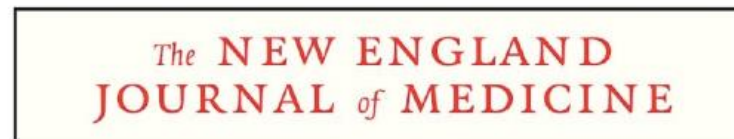
Vasoconstriction

Dopamine

- If $>15\text{mcg/kg/min}$ is α -agonist
- Positive inotrope
- Elevation in PCWP

Noradrenaline

- Constrictor
- Antithrombotic
- Positive inotrope



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Comparison of Dopamine and Norepinephrine in the Treatment of Shock

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1678 patients with circulatory shock – 280 cardiogenic

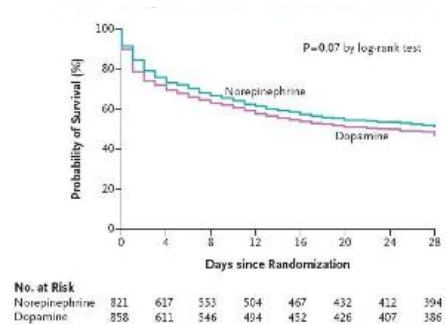


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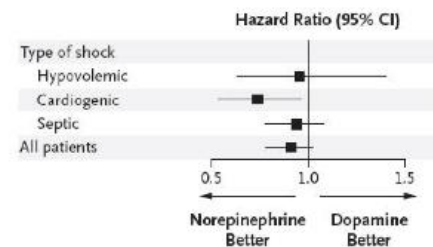


Figure 3. Forest Plot for Predefined Subgroup Analysis According to Type of Shock.

Systemic arterial pressure optimisation

Vasoactive drugs for management of acute right ventricular failure and their mechanism of action

Agent	Receptor Binding					Notes
	α_1	β_1	β_2	D	V1	
Norepinephrine	++	+				Improves PA/RV coupling in animals (73–75)
Phenylephrine	++					Increases PVR (71 , 74 , 77); may induce reflex bradycardia
Epinephrine	++	++	+			(79)
Vasopressin					+	Dose dependent pulmonary vasodilatation (0.01–0.03 U/min) and vasoconstriction (24 , 82 , 83)
Dopamine						Risk of arrhythmias
Low (<5 $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}/\text{min}$)		+			++	
Medium (>10 $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}/\text{min}$)		+	++		++	
High (>10 $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}/\text{min}$)	++	++			++	
Dobutamine		++	+			β_2 -mediated drop in SVR (31); risk of arrhythmias
Milrinone						Phosphodiesterase-3 inhibitor; inotropy and pulmonary vasodilatation; drop in LVEDP and SVR (72 , 84 , 89); risk of arrhythmias

Definition of abbreviations: D = dopaminergic receptor; LVEDP = left ventricular end-diastolic pressure; PA = pulmonary artery; PVR = pulmonary vascular resistance; RV = right ventricle; SVR = systemic vascular resistance; V1 = vasopressin receptor 1. + = low to moderate affinity, ++ = moderate to high affinity.

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Positive inotropic agents

- Diverse collection of pluripotent molecules
- Differing pharmacological properties
- Some shared activities – only one of which is positive inotropy
 - *Will increase dP/dt with variable effects on cardiac output/index*
 - Alteration in myocardial oxygen demand
 - Arrhythmia

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Inotropes and vasopressors: more than haemodynamics!

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- Alteration in bacterial metabolism and translocation
- Alteration in inflammatory markers and ROS
- Immune-modulatory effects
- Coagulation
- Differential effects on macrocirculation & microcirculation

Conventional Hemodynamic Resuscitation May Fail to Optimize Tissue Perfusion: An Observational Study on the Effects of Dobutamine, Enoximone, and Norepinephrine in Patients with Acute Myocardial Infarction Complicated by Cardiogenic Shock

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	Dobutamine (n = 14)	Enoximone (n = 10)	Norepinephrine (n = 9)	P-value
Δ HR, bpm	+9 [0; +16]**	+4 [-11; +9]	+1 [-15; +4]	NS
Δ MAP, mmHg	+6 [-5; +21]	+8 [+1; +14]	+17 [+13; +32]**	NS
Δ CVP, mmHg	-1 [-3; +1]	-2 [-3; -1]*	+2 [-4; +4]	NS
Δ PCWP, mmHg	-2 [-4; -1]**	-2 [-3; -1]**	+5 [-1; +7]	NS
Δ MPAP, mmHg ^a	0 [-3; +3]	-1 [-9; 0]	+4 [-1; +7]	NS
Δ CI, L.min ⁻¹ .m ⁻²	+0.8 [+0.3; +1.4]**	+0.6 [-0.1; +1.5]	0.0 [-0.5; +0.1]	0.006
Δ SVR, dynes.sec.cm ⁻⁵	-201 [-623; +220]	-119 [-491; +175]	+390 [+237; +505]*	0.03
Δ SvO ₂ , %	+6 [+2; +12]**	0 [-3; +4]	0 [-3; +6]	0.04
Δ Lactate, mmol.L ⁻¹	-0.4 [-2.5; -0.1]**	0.0 [-0.6; +0.2]	0.0 [-0.2; +0.5]	NS
Δ Delta-T, °C	-0.4 [-0.8; 0]	-1.1 [-1.9; +0.6]	0.0 [-2.2; +0.6]	NS
Δ PCD, mm.mm ⁻²	+0.6 [-0.9; +2.3]	+2.0 [+0.5; +3.4]*	-0.4 [-3.3; 0.0]	0.01

Abbreviations: HR, heart rate; MAP, mean arterial pressure; CVP, central venous pressure; PCWP, pulmonary capillary wedge pressure; MPAP, mean pulmonary artery pressure; CI, cardiac index; SVR, systemic vascular resistance; SvO₂, mixed-venous oxygen saturation; delta-T, central-peripheral temperature gradient; PCD, perfused capillary density.

Values represent median [interquartile range]. The p-value in the last column represents differences among groups. Asterisks indicate statistical significance versus baseline:

*, p<0.05;

***, p<0.01.

P-values>0.05 (NS, non-significant) are not shown.

^aA pulmonary artery catheter was present in 27/33 (82%) of the measurements.

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Cardiac output: global vs regional perfusion?

Regional resistance:

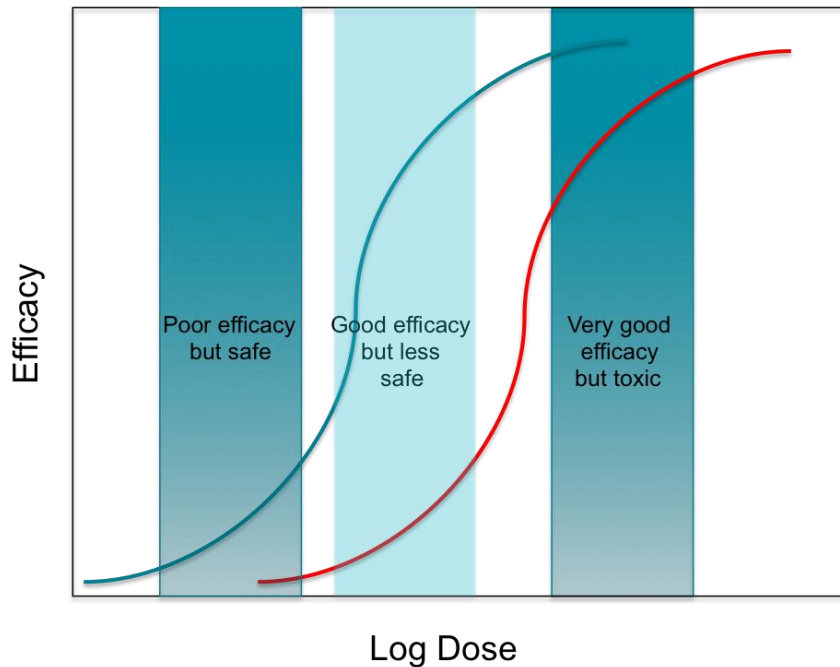
- neurohumoral factors related to inflammation and the sympathetic nervous system
- local factors related to autoregulation

Key (neglected) organs:

- GIT (gastric tonometry, splanchnic/hepatic saturations, indocyanine green)
- Brain



Each inotropic agent: efficacy vs toxicity



- **Each inotropic agent**
- **Each organ system**
 - Cardiac
 - Renal
 - Hepatic
 - Cerebral
 - GIT
 - Microcirculation
- **Each pathological situation:**
 - Sepsis
 - AMI+CS
 - DCM+CS
 - Haemorrhagic shock
- **In context of different ICU interventions**

Which inotrope?

- **No real evidence to support one over another**

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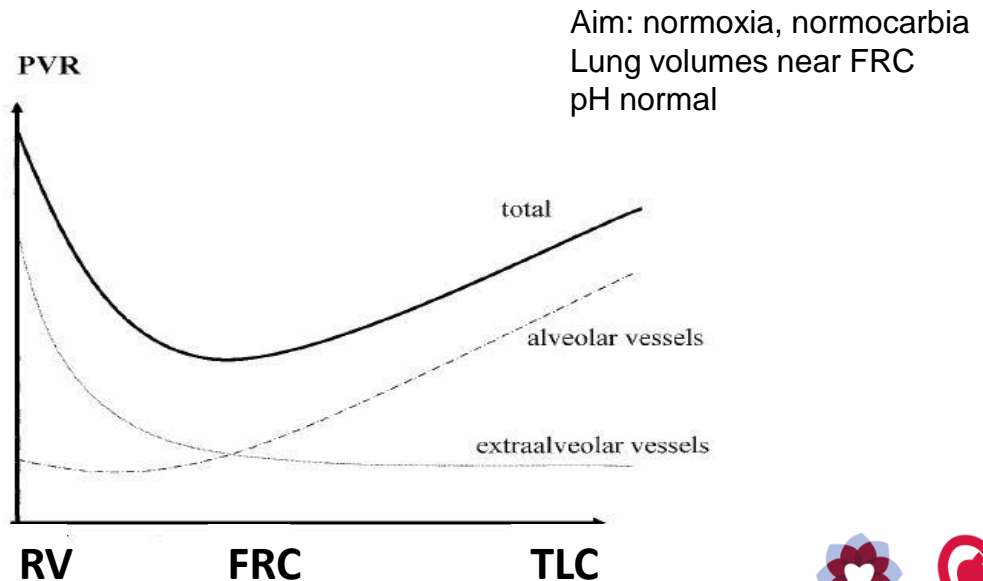
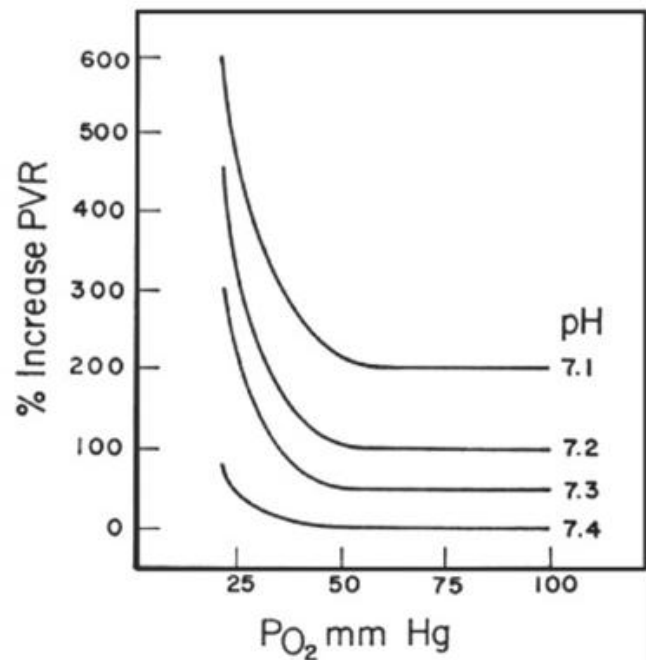
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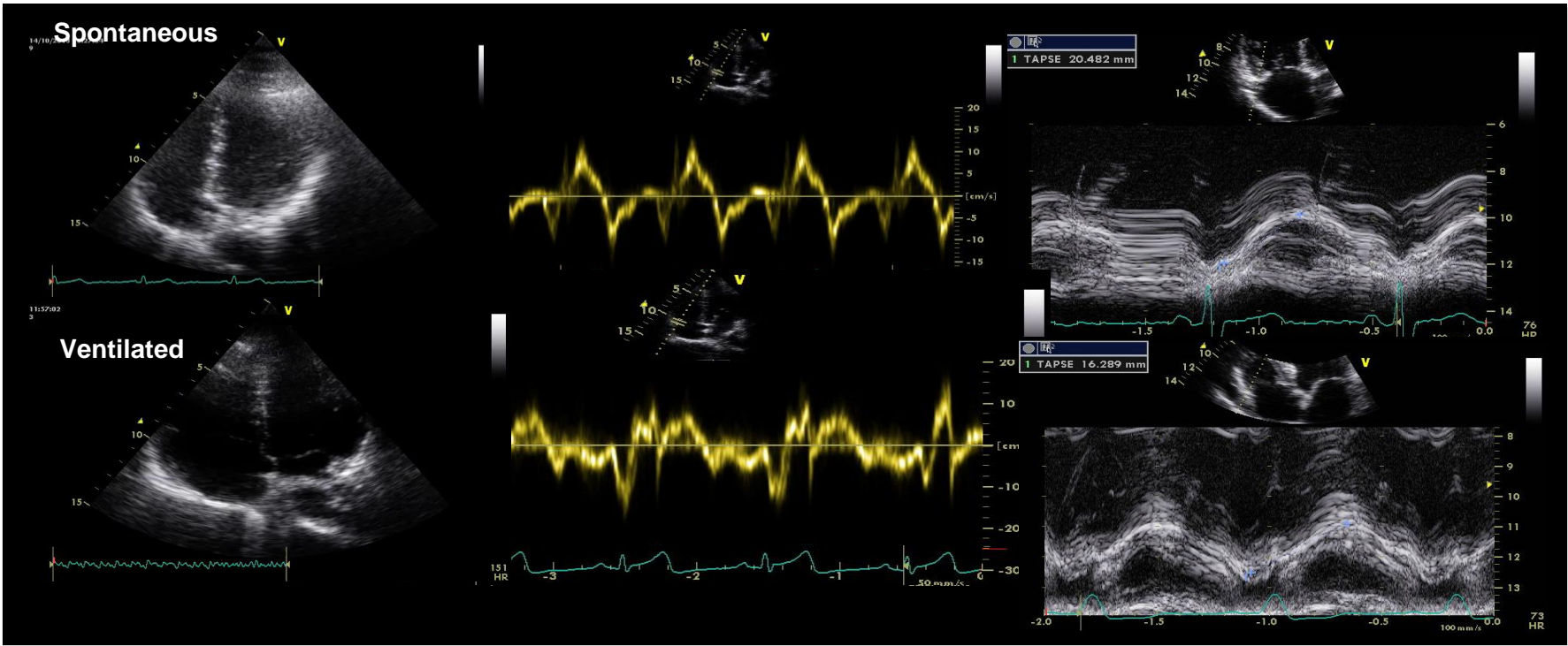


Afterload reduction

- Critical illness frequently associated with increased PVR
- HPV – alveolar, pulmonary arterial/bronchial arterial hypoxaemia, worsened with acidemia
- **Focus on:**
 - Reducing pulmonary vascular tone
 - Judicious use of pulmonary vasodilators
 - Awareness of the effects of positive pressure ventilation



Potentially injurious effects of ventilation



Tavazzi G, ESICM 2014

Articles

Characterization of Right Ventricular Diastolic Performance After Complete Repair of Tetralogy of Fallot

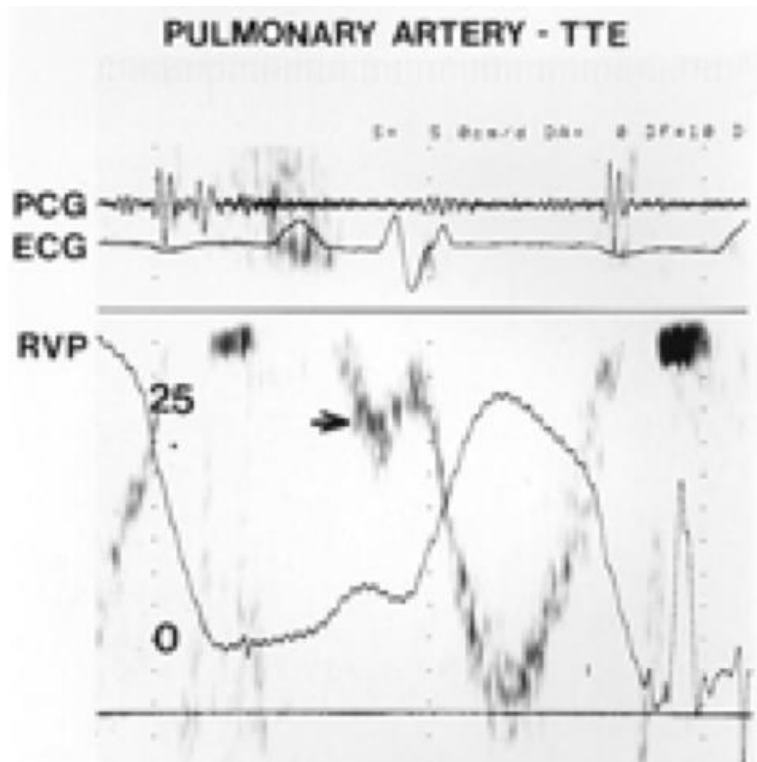
Restrictive Physiology Predicts Slow Postoperative Recovery

Presented in part at the 65th Scientific Sessions of the American Heart Association, New Orleans, La, November 1992.

Seamus Cullen; Darryl Shore; Andrew Redington

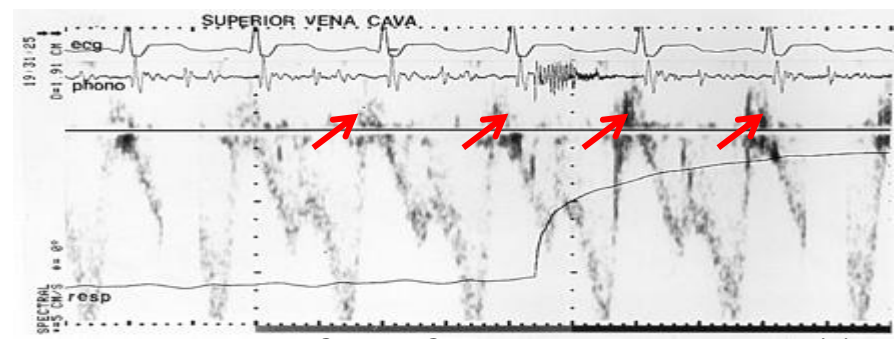
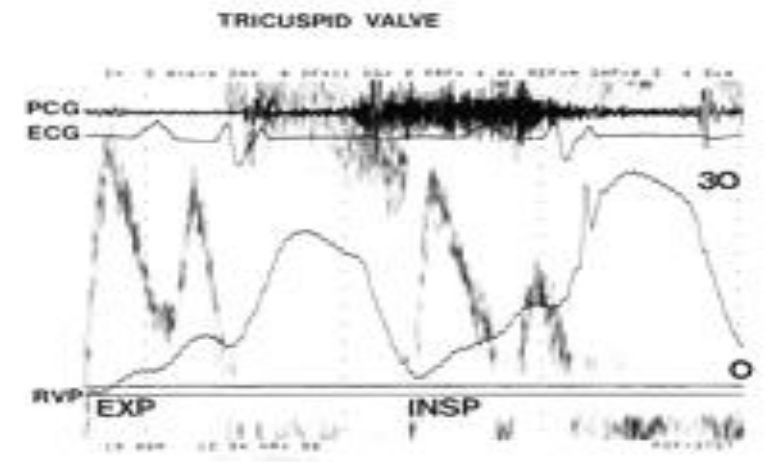
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Effects of IPPV in RV restrictive physiology

- Inspiration increases E/A ratio
- Abolishes PA diastolic wave
- Relative contribution of “restrictive” antegrade a wave to forward flow:
 - Inspiration: $7 \pm 8\%$
 - Expiration: $22 \pm 10\%$
- 43% patients with SARF
- Inducible by IPPV



Cullen, Circulation. 1995 Mar 15;91(6):178

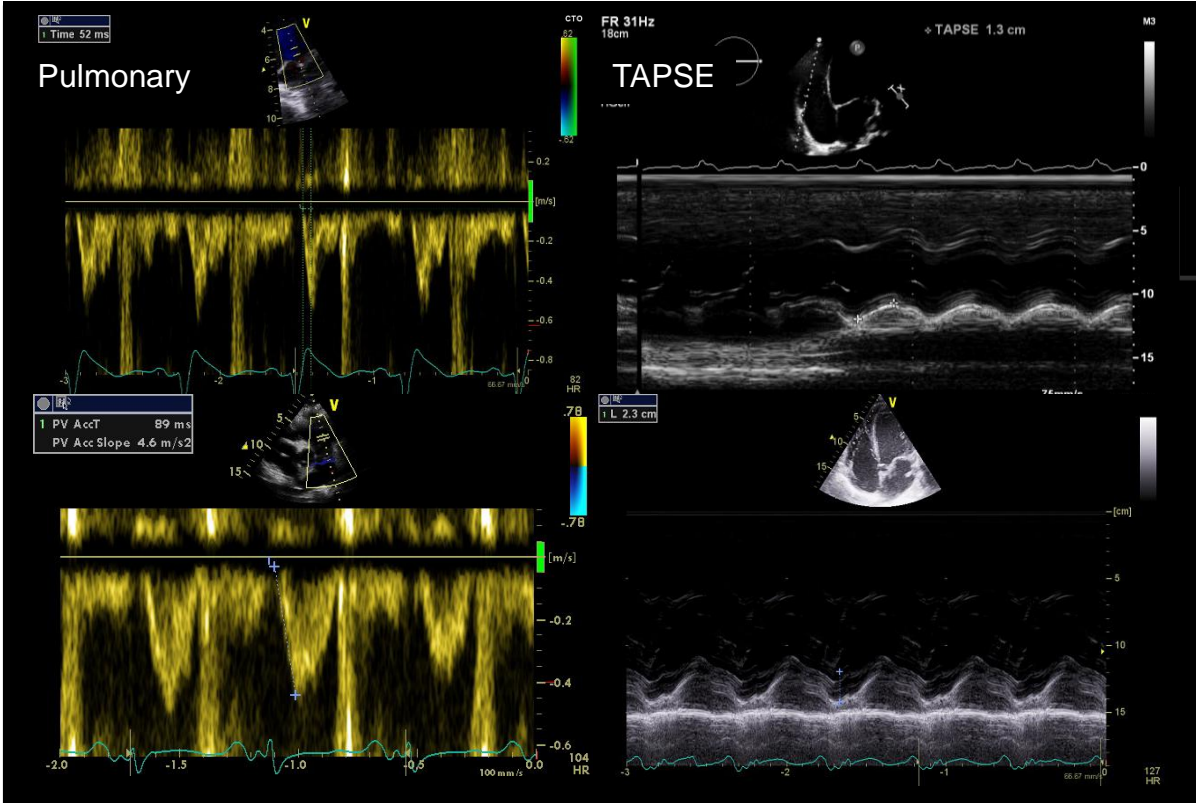
Pulmonary vasodilators

- None approved for treatment of RV failure in critically ill
- All have systemic & pulmonary effects
- Systemic administration may alter V/Q mismatch, and worsen hypoxaemia

Currently available pulmonary vasodilator medications

Name	Drug Class	Action	Route of Administration	Terminal Half-Life
Ambrisentan	Endothelin receptor antagonist	Blocks endothelin receptor A	Oral	15 h
Bosentan	Endothelin receptor antagonist	Blocks endothelin receptor A and B	Oral	5.4 h
Macitentan	Endothelin receptor antagonist	Blocks endothelin receptor A	Oral	14–18 h
Sildenafil	Phosphodiesterase type-5 inhibitor	Slows metabolism of intracellular cGMP	Oral or intravenous	4 h orally
Tadalafil	Phosphodiesterase type-5 inhibitor	Slows metabolism of intracellular cGMP	Oral	17.5 h
Epoprostenol	Prostacyclin	Increases intracellular cAMP	Intravenous or inhaled [*]	<6 min
Treprostinil	Prostacyclin derivative	Increases intracellular cAMP	Intravenous, subcutaneous, inhaled, or oral	4 h
Iloprost	Prostacyclin derivative	Increases intracellular cAMP	Inhaled	20–30 min
Nitric oxide	Soluble guanylate cyclase stimulator	Increases intracellular cGMP	Inhaled	Seconds
Riociguat	Soluble guanylate cyclase stimulator	Increases intracellular cGMP	Oral	7–12 h

Right heart afterload



Maximal pulmonary vasodilatation

- iNO
- + Levosimendan
- + Nebulised prostacyclin
- + Low dose vasopressin
- + Nebulised milrinone

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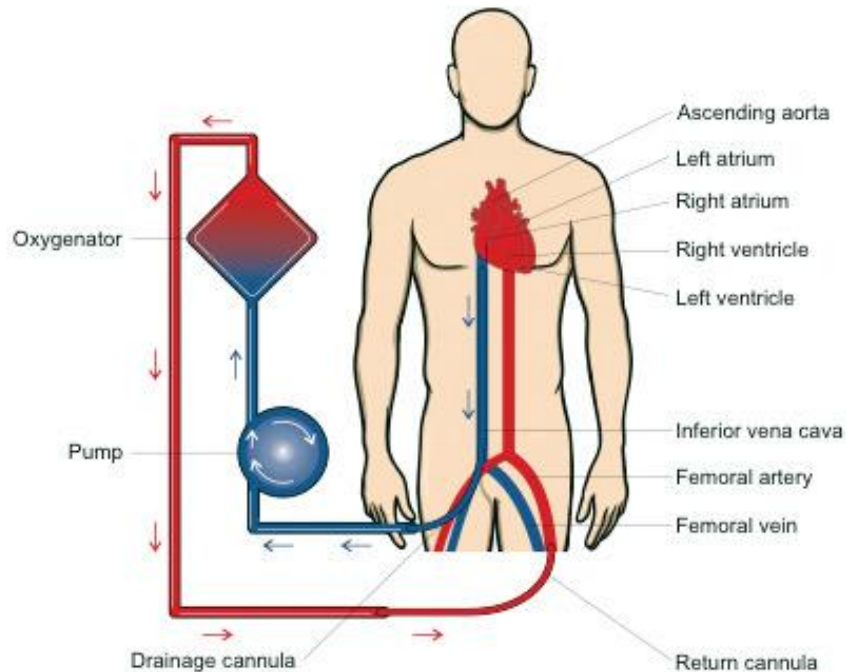
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Peripheral VA-ECMO



23Fr venous, 19-21Fr arterial
(Legmo: 10-12Fr)

Cardiac (or cardiopulmonary) support

Percutaneous, rapid access

Awake or ventilated

Up to 8L/min – high, stable flow, 2-4 weeks

Better kit – transportation and monitoring

Cheaper than Tandem Heart and Impella

Expanding indications

Guidelines?



European Heart Journal (2014) 35, 2541–2619
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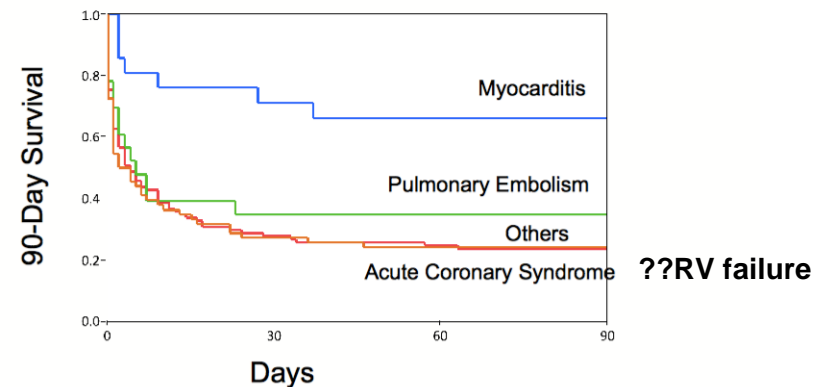
ESC/EACTS GUIDELINES



2014 ESC/EACTS Guidelines on myocardial revascularization

The Task Force on Myocardial Revascularization of the European Society of Cardiology (ESC) and the European Association for Cardio-Thoracic Surgery (EACTS)

IABP insertion should be considered in patients with haemodynamic instability/cardiogenic shock due to mechanical complications.	IIa	C
Patients with mechanical complication after acute myocardial infarction require immediate discussion by the Heart Team.	I	C
Short-term mechanical circulatory support in ACS patients with cardiogenic shock may be considered.	IIb	C



Kagawa E et al ESC 2015

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Transfemoral insertion

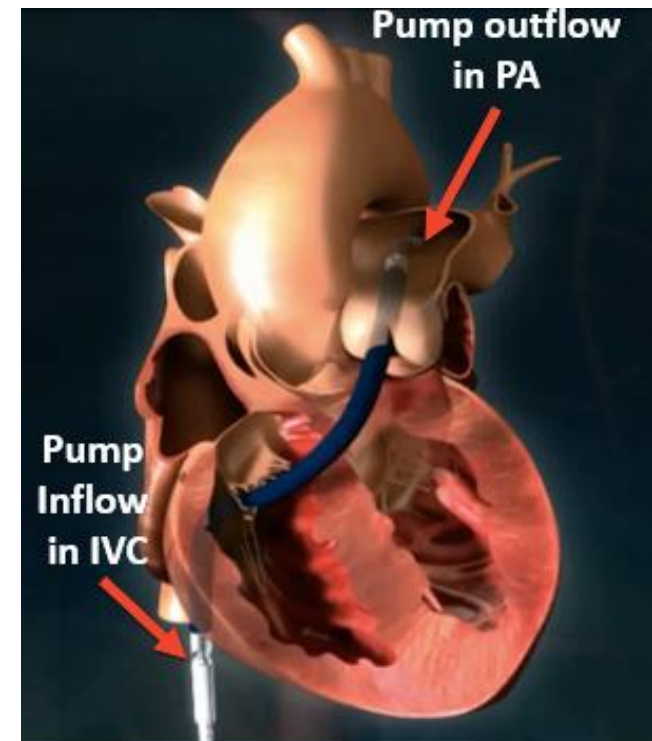
3D shaped cannula

22Fr motor housing
Pump on 1Fr catheter

4L/min @33,00rpm

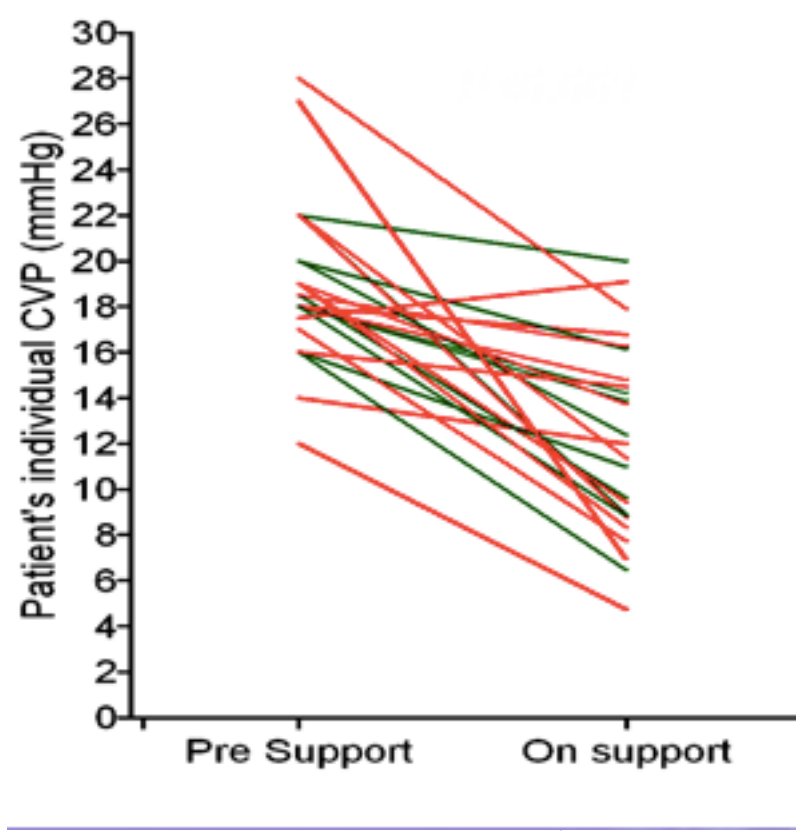
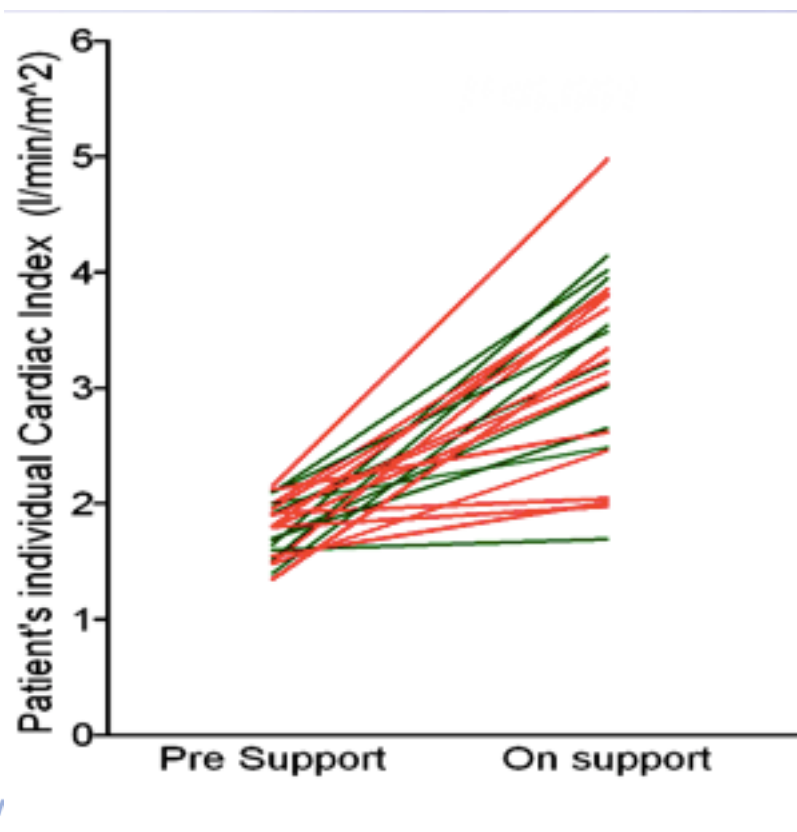
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COHORT B: 58.3% survival (cohort predicted survival 40%)



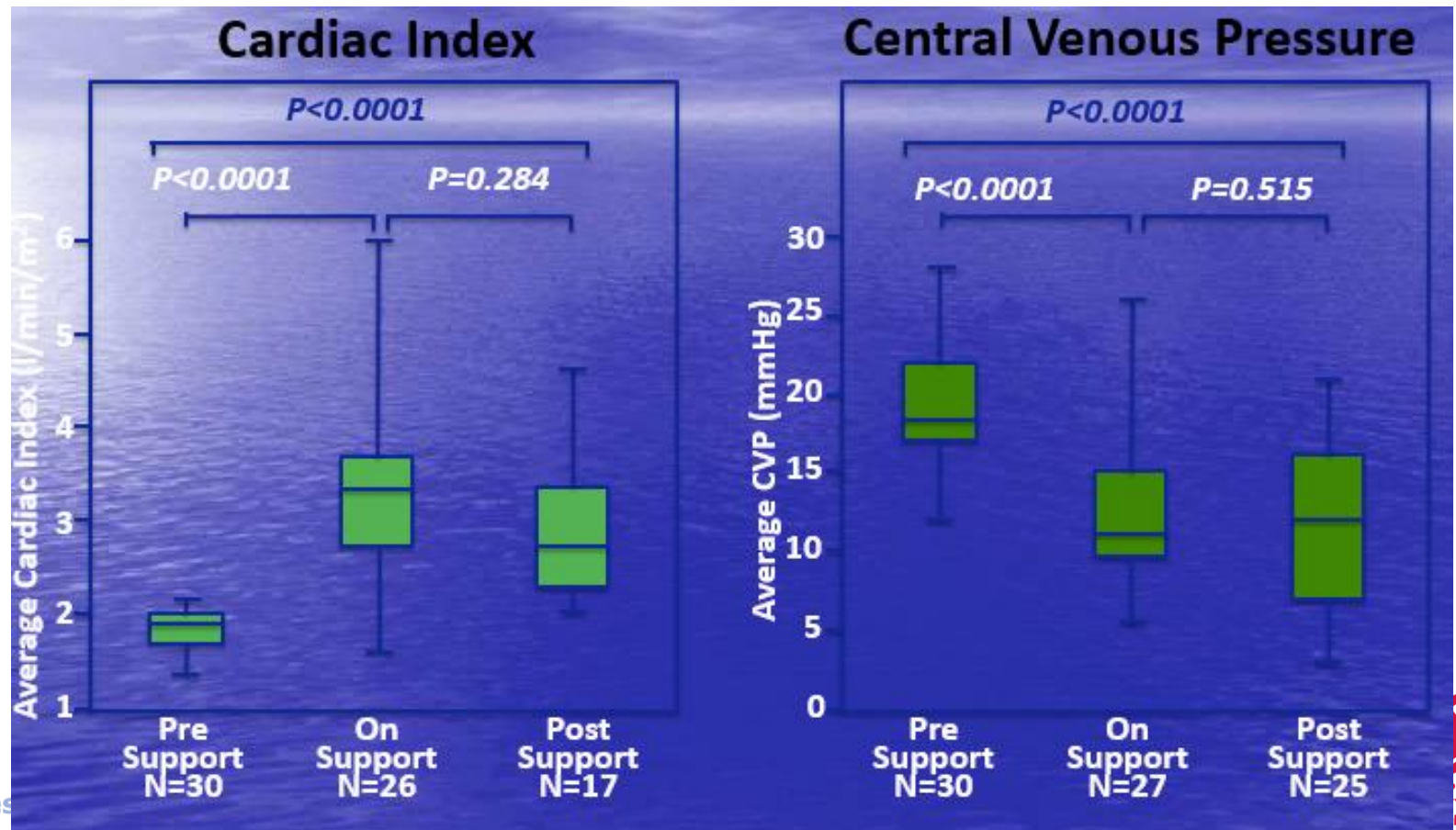
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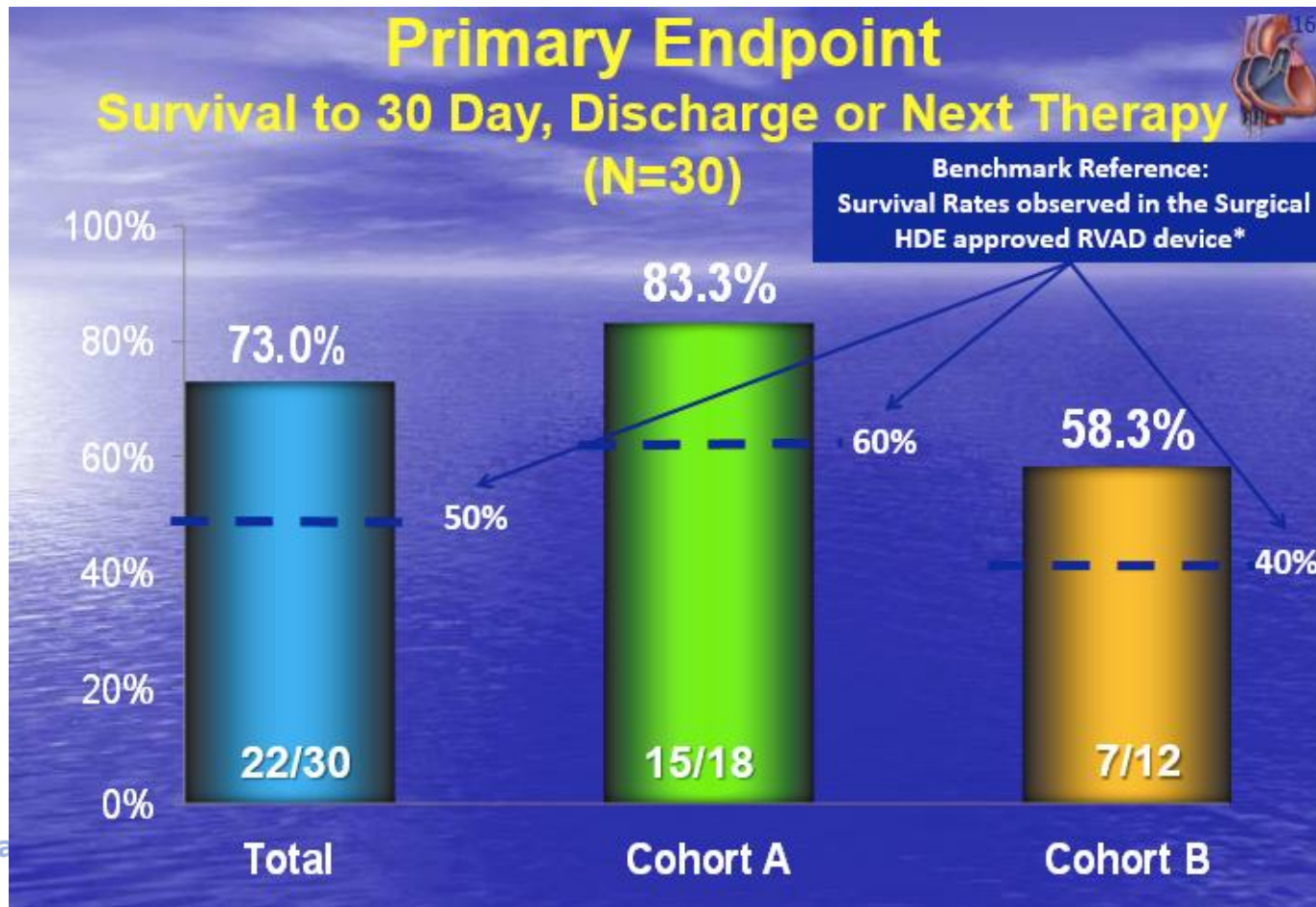
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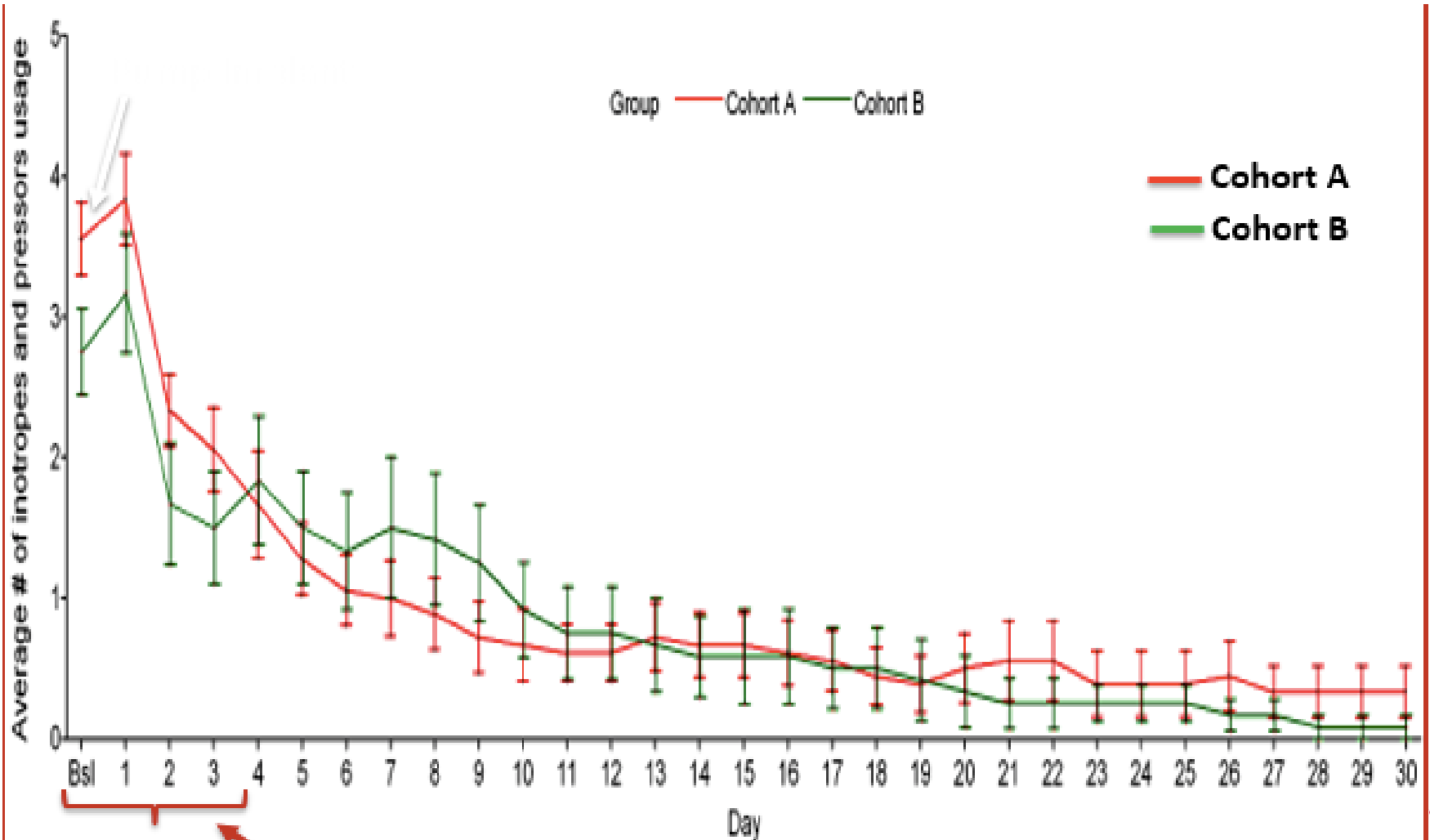
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Conclusions

Acute RV failure is a complex clinical scenario and its appropriate management requires an understanding of RV anatomy and mechanics, rapid identification and treatment of underlying causes, and knowledge of supportive treatment measures. Many uncertainties remain, and there is a need for randomized trials to investigate the efficacy and safety of pharmacological and mechanical interventions for the treatment of acute RV failure.



Many interventions seem physiologically/intuitively sensible – but that doesn't mean they are right

Sir Iain Chalmers, co-founder Cochrane collaboration, BBC Radio 4, 2013