

Advanced Imaging in Heart Failure

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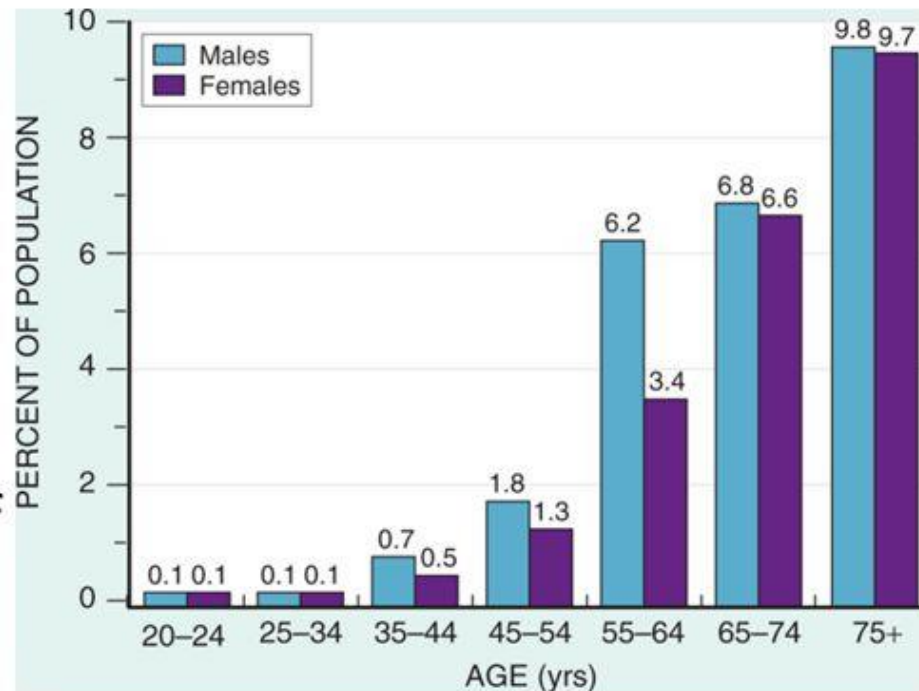
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Objectives

1. Examine the epidemiologic impact of heart failure both in the United States and worldwide
2. Detail the fundamental role of echocardiography in the diagnosis/management of heart failure and the limitations of this modality
3. Explore new techniques in echocardiography for the quantification of left and right ventricular function/size
4. Overview of the ever-expanding role of cardiac MRI in heart failure diagnosis and management
5. Explore the current and future role specialized nuclear medical imaging in the diagnosis of infiltrative cardiomyopathies, particularly amyloid heart disease

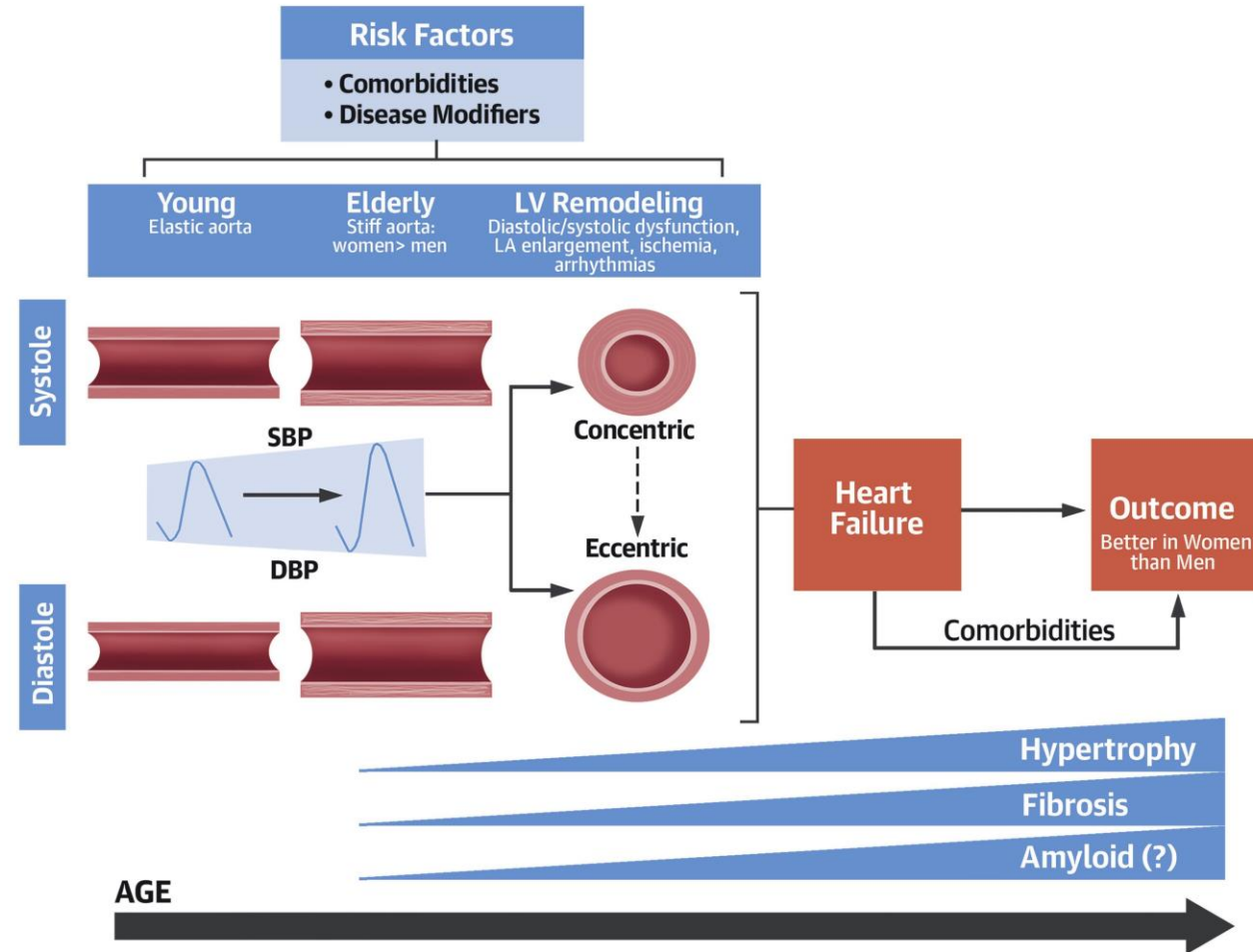
Heart Failure Is a Big Problem

- Prevalence: >5,000,000
- Incidence: >650,000 new cases/year in the US
- Most common discharge diagnosis
- Most common cause of readmission < 60 days
- Cost: > 34.8 billion annually



Heart Failure and Aging

CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION: Association Between the Cardiovascular Aging Process and Heart Failure Development and Progression



Tripodskiadis, F. et al. J Am Coll Cardiol. 2019;74(6):804-13.

Definitions

HFrEF = heart failure with *reduced* ejection fraction (<40%)

HFpEF = heart failure with *preserved* ejection fraction (>50%)

HFmrEF = heart failure with *mid-range* ejection fraction (40-49%)

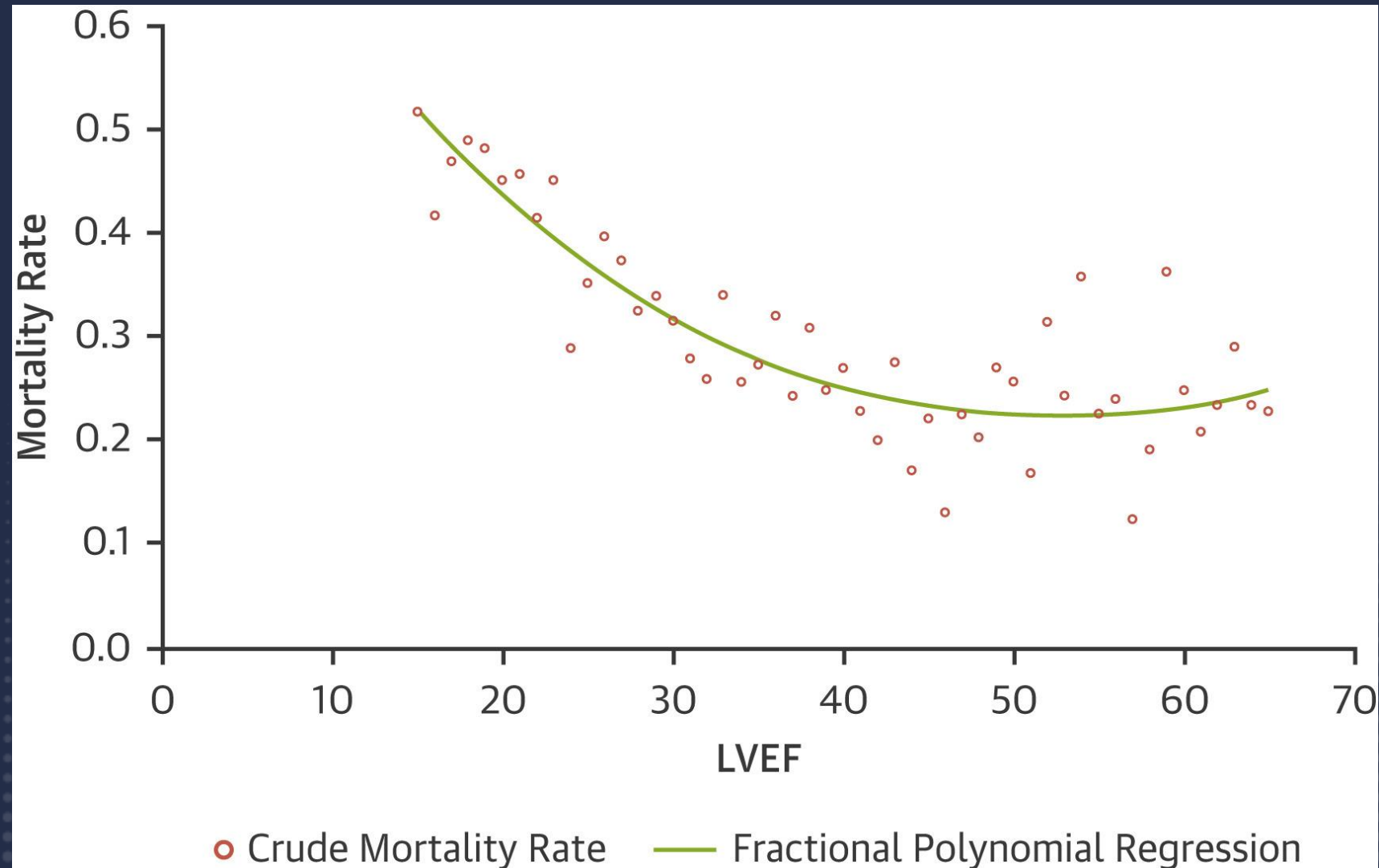
Heart Failure Guidelines

Table 6. ACC/AHA Heart Failure Performance Measures Inpatient Data Collection Flowsheet

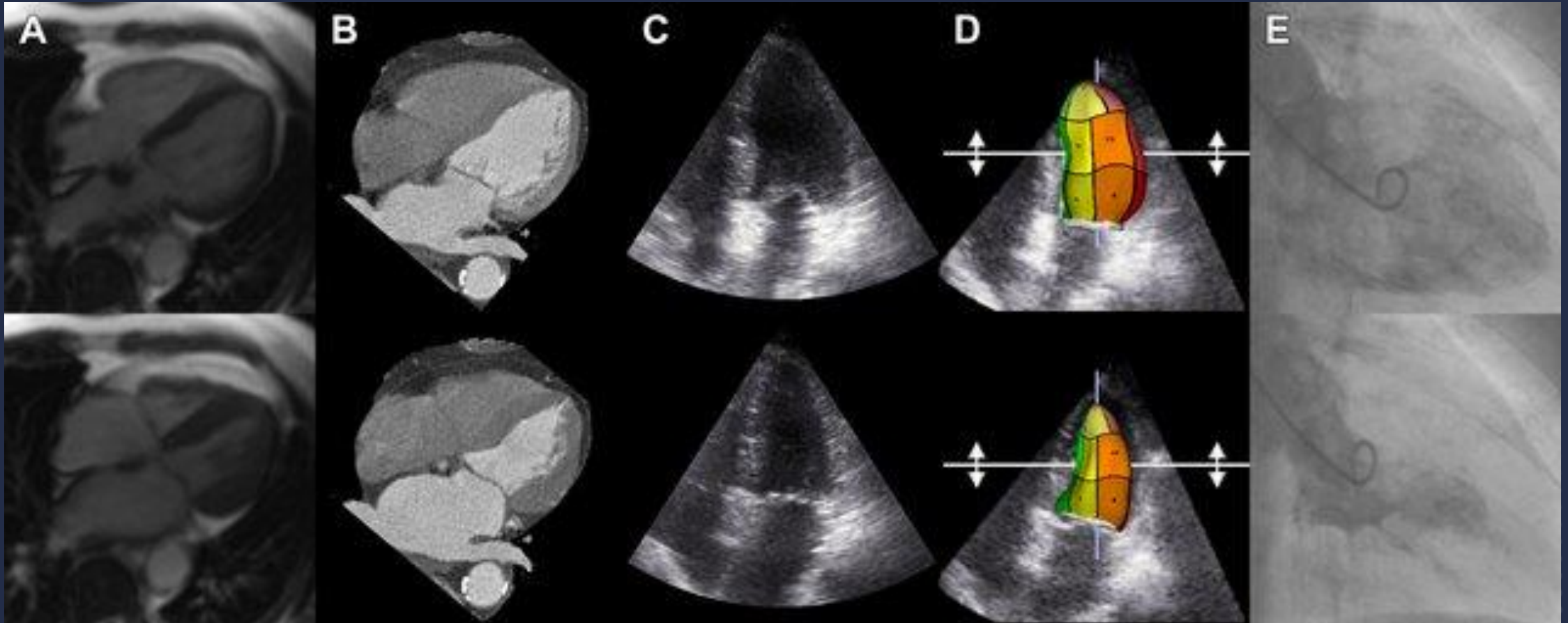
ACC/AHA Heart Failure Performance Measures Inpatient Data Collection Flowsheet		YES	NO
1. Left ventricular systolic (LVS) function assessment			
LV1.	Was an assessment of left ventricular systolic (LVS) function made in diagnosed HF patients, LVS documented as assessed before arrival, during hospitalization, or planned for after discharge?.....	<input type="radio"/> (go to LV2)	<input type="radio"/> (go to 4)
LV2.	<input type="checkbox"/> Quantitative EF: _____ % Qualitatively assessed as (circle one): Normal Mildly Depressed Moderately Depressed Severely Depressed		
2. ACE inhibitor or ARB therapy for left ventricular systolic dysfunction ("ACE/ARB") at discharge			
ACE/ARB1.	Was ejection fraction <40% or with moderately or severely depressed left ventricular systolic function?.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> (go to 3)
ACE/ARB2.	Was ACE inhibitor prescribed upon discharge?.....	<input type="radio"/> (go to 3)	<input type="radio"/> (go to ACE/ARB3)
ACE/ARB3.	Was ARB prescribed upon discharge?.....	<input type="radio"/> (go to 3)	<input type="radio"/> (go to ACE/ARB4)
ACE/ARB4.	Reasons documented by physician, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant for not prescribing ACE inhibitor and ARB?.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. Anticoagulant use for heart failure and atrial fibrillation ("ACU")			
ACU1.	Chronic or recurrent atrial fibrillation documented?.....	<input type="radio"/> (go to ACU2)	<input type="radio"/> (go to 4)
ACU2.	If yes, was warfarin prescribed?.....	<input type="radio"/> (go to 4)	<input type="radio"/> (go to ACU3)
ACU3.	Reasons documented by physician, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant for not prescribing warfarin?.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> (go to 4)
4. Discharge instructions ("PE")			
PE1.	Patient discharged with complete written discharge instructions, as documented in the medical record?.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> (go to 5)
5. Adult smoking cessation advice/counseling ("SC")			
SC1.	Adult patient who smokes cigarettes given smoking cessation counseling/advice?.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

This flowsheet is intended for prospective data collection only. It is not designed to meet the reporting requirements of organizations, such as the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) or the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

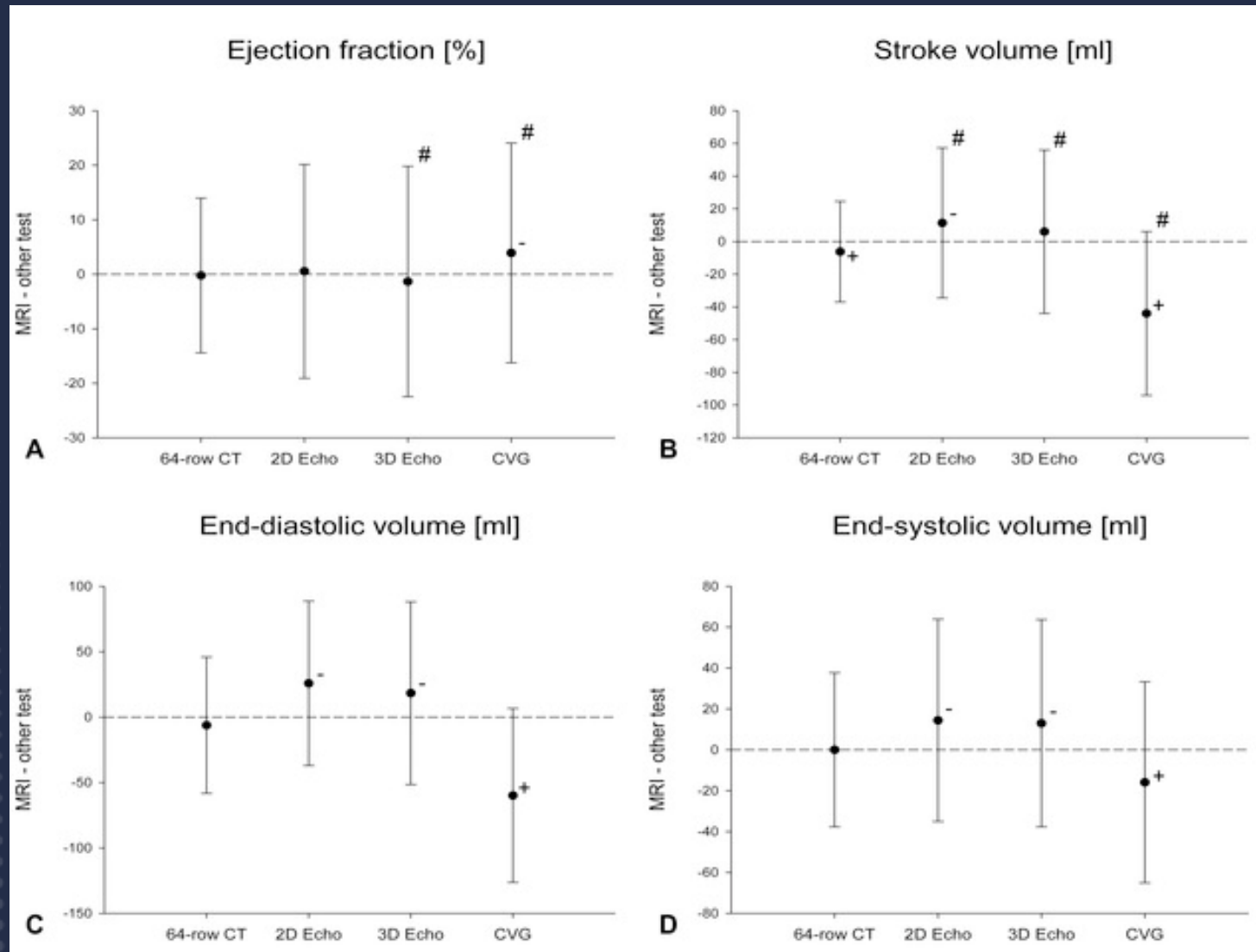
Prognostic Value of LV Ejection Fraction



Modalities for LV EF Estimation



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Limitations of LV EF by Echocardiography

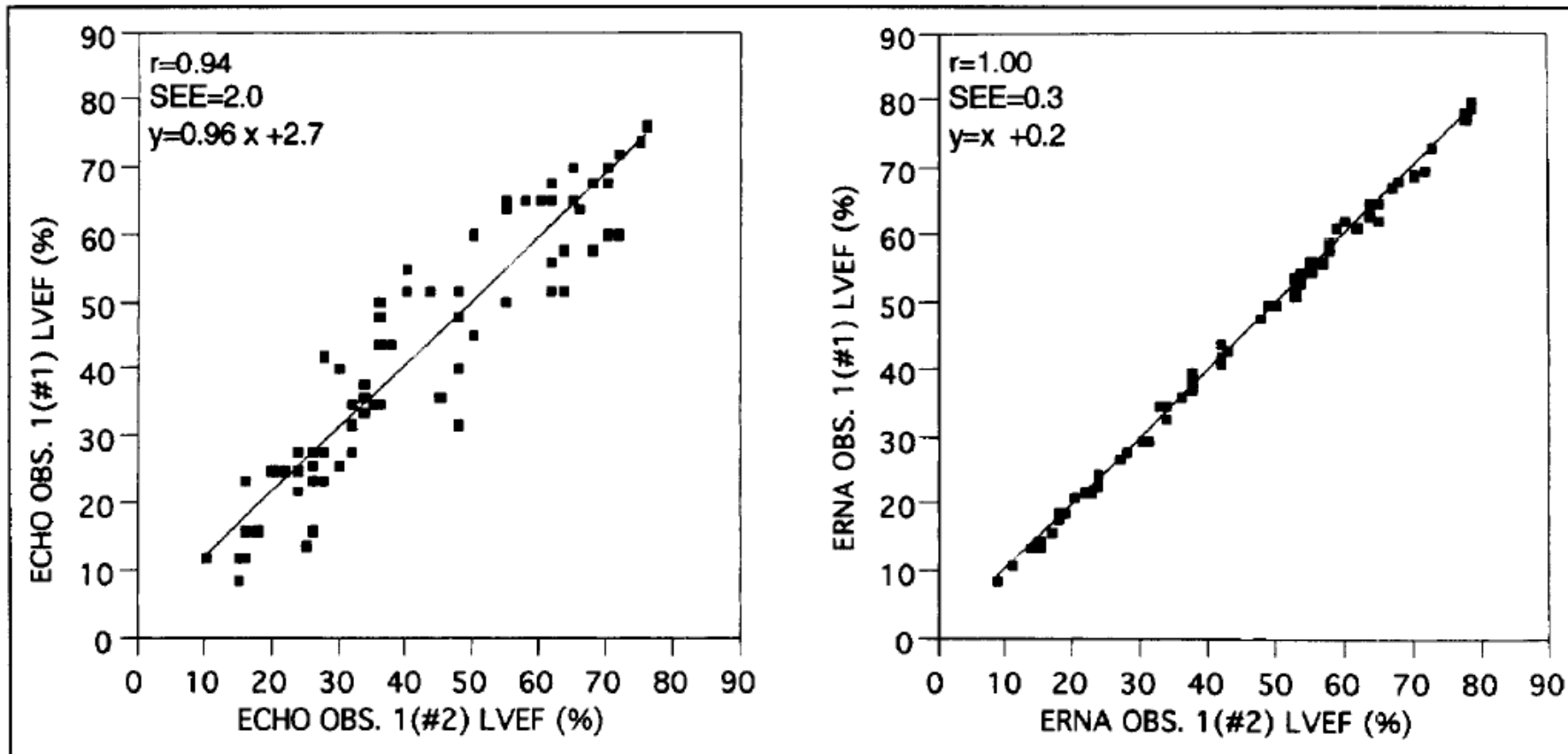
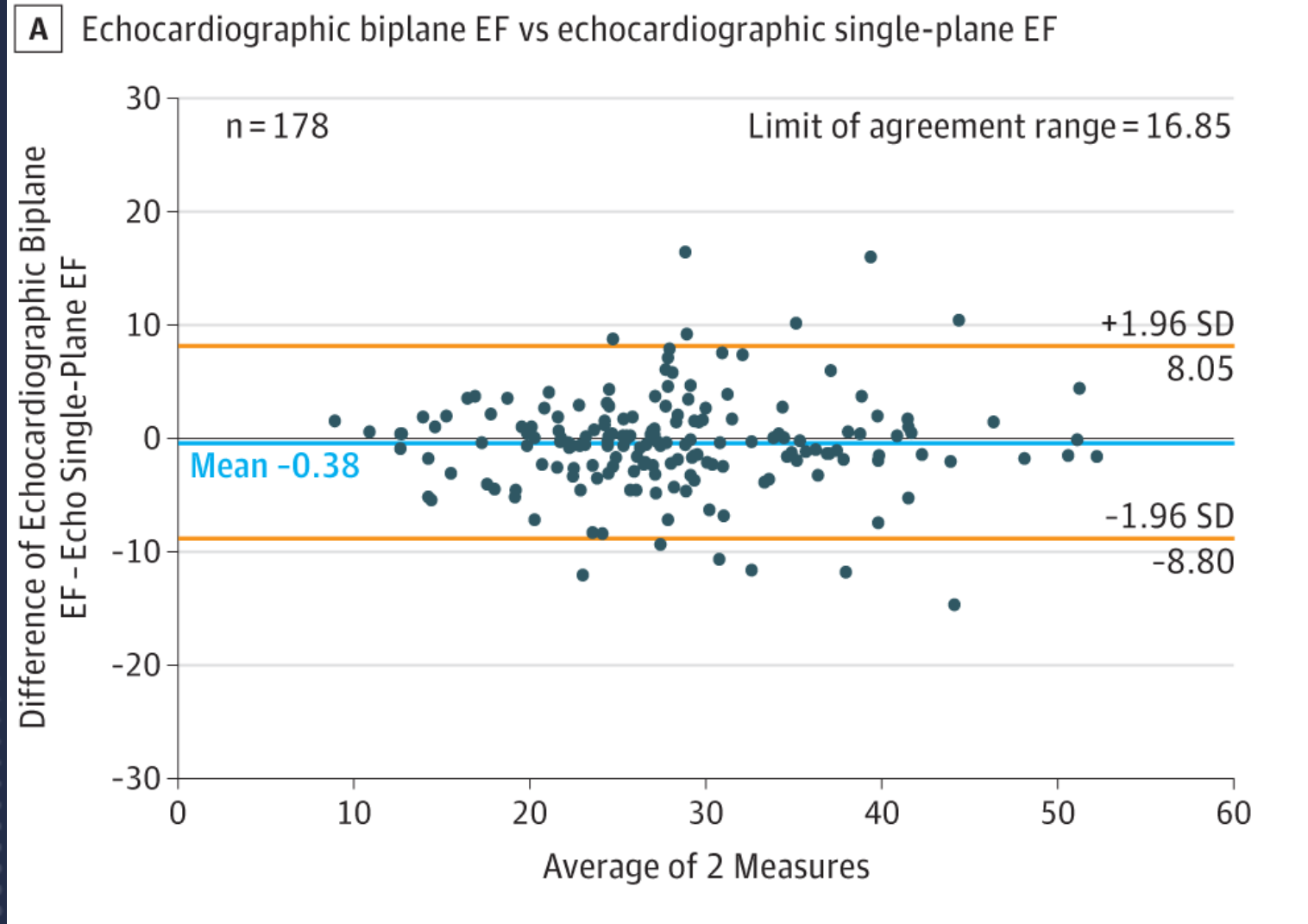


FIGURE 3. Intraobserver variability. Correlation between the first and the second assessment of left ventricular ejection fraction (LVEF) by echocardiographer #1 (*left*), and between the first and the second assessment of LVEF by nuclear technologist #1 (*right*). Mean intraobserver variability is 2% for equilibrium radionuclide angiography (ERNA) and 15.3% for 2-dimensional echocardiography (ECHO). OBS. = observer.

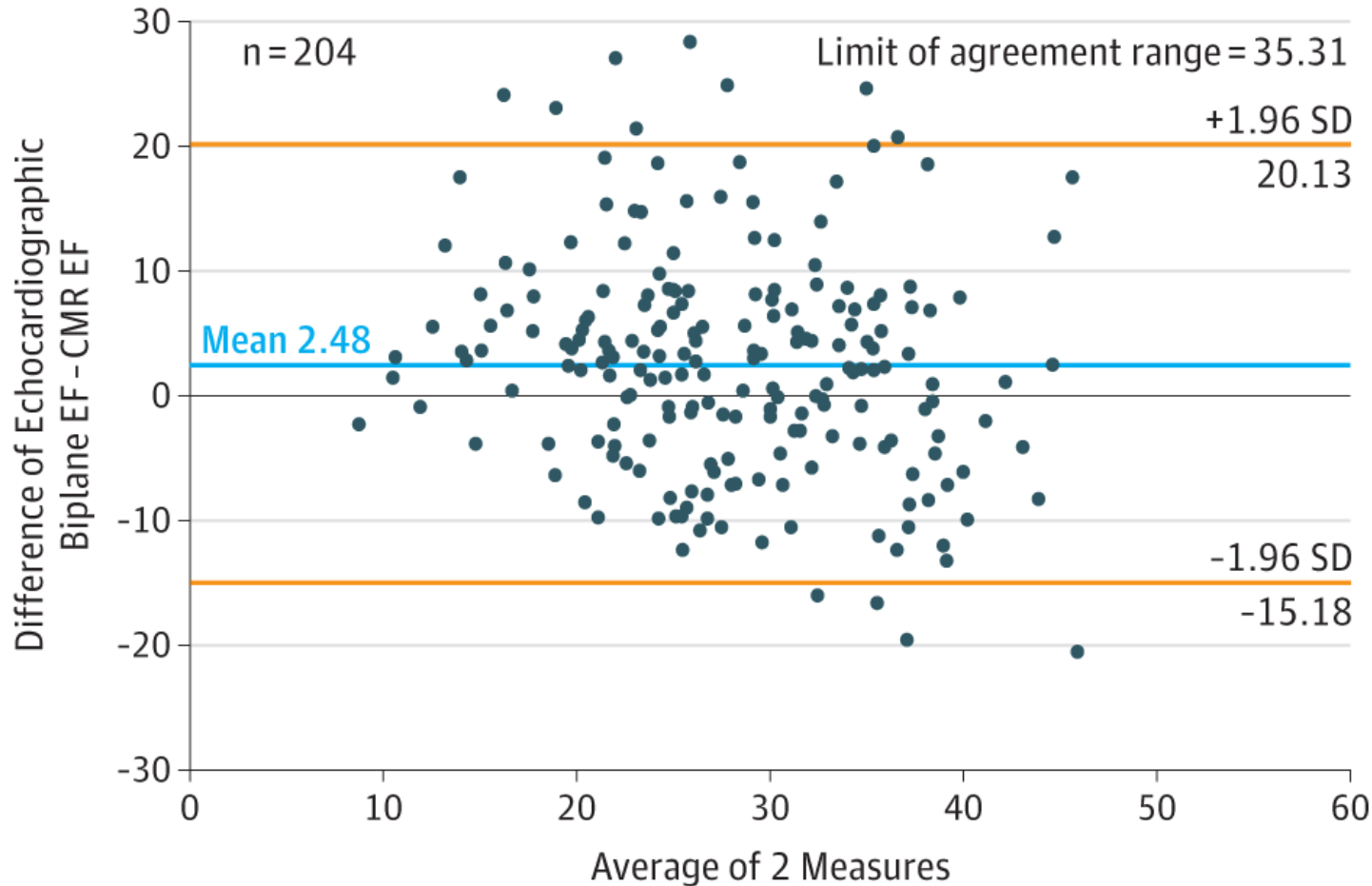
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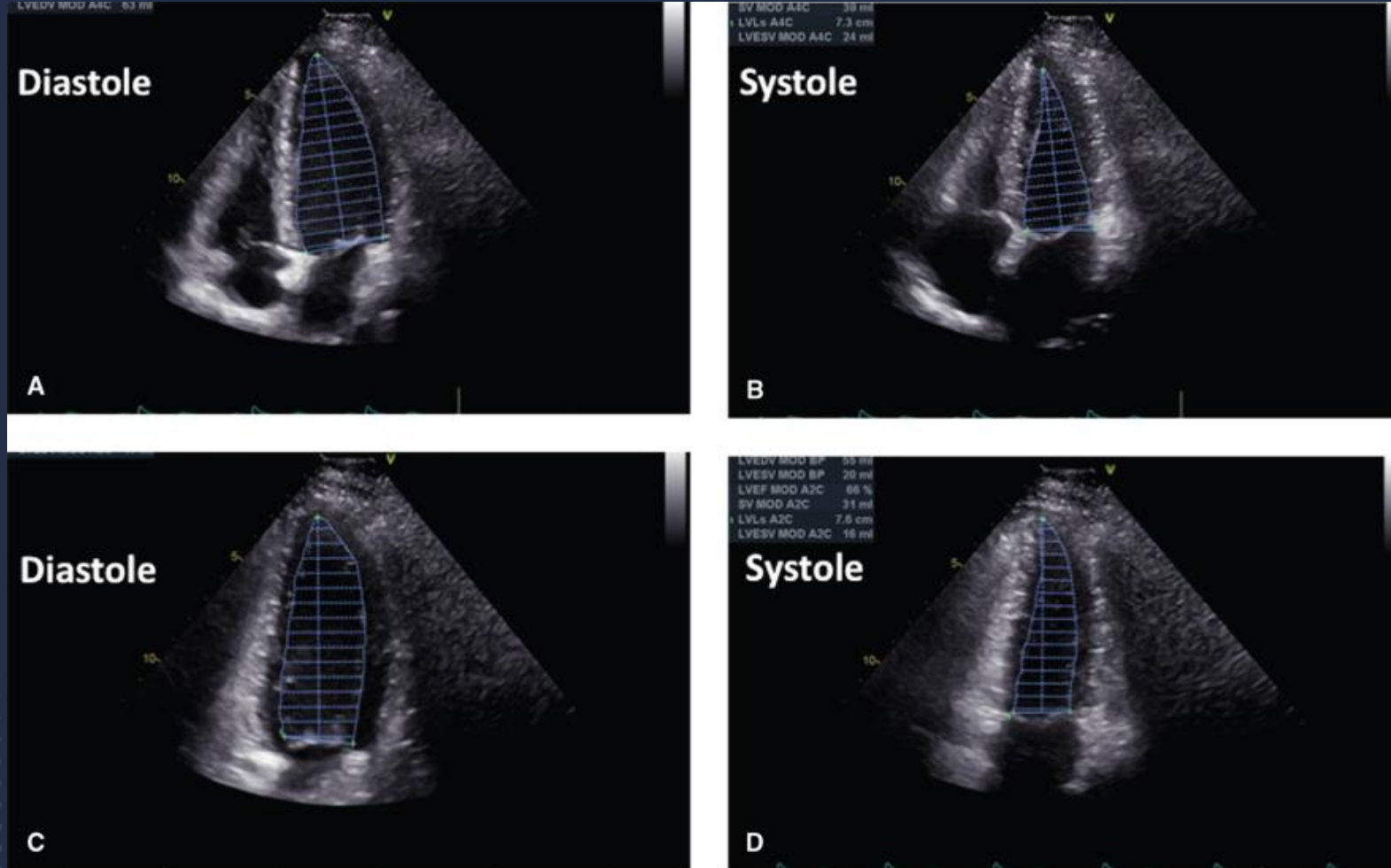
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B Echocardiographic biplane EF vs CMR EF



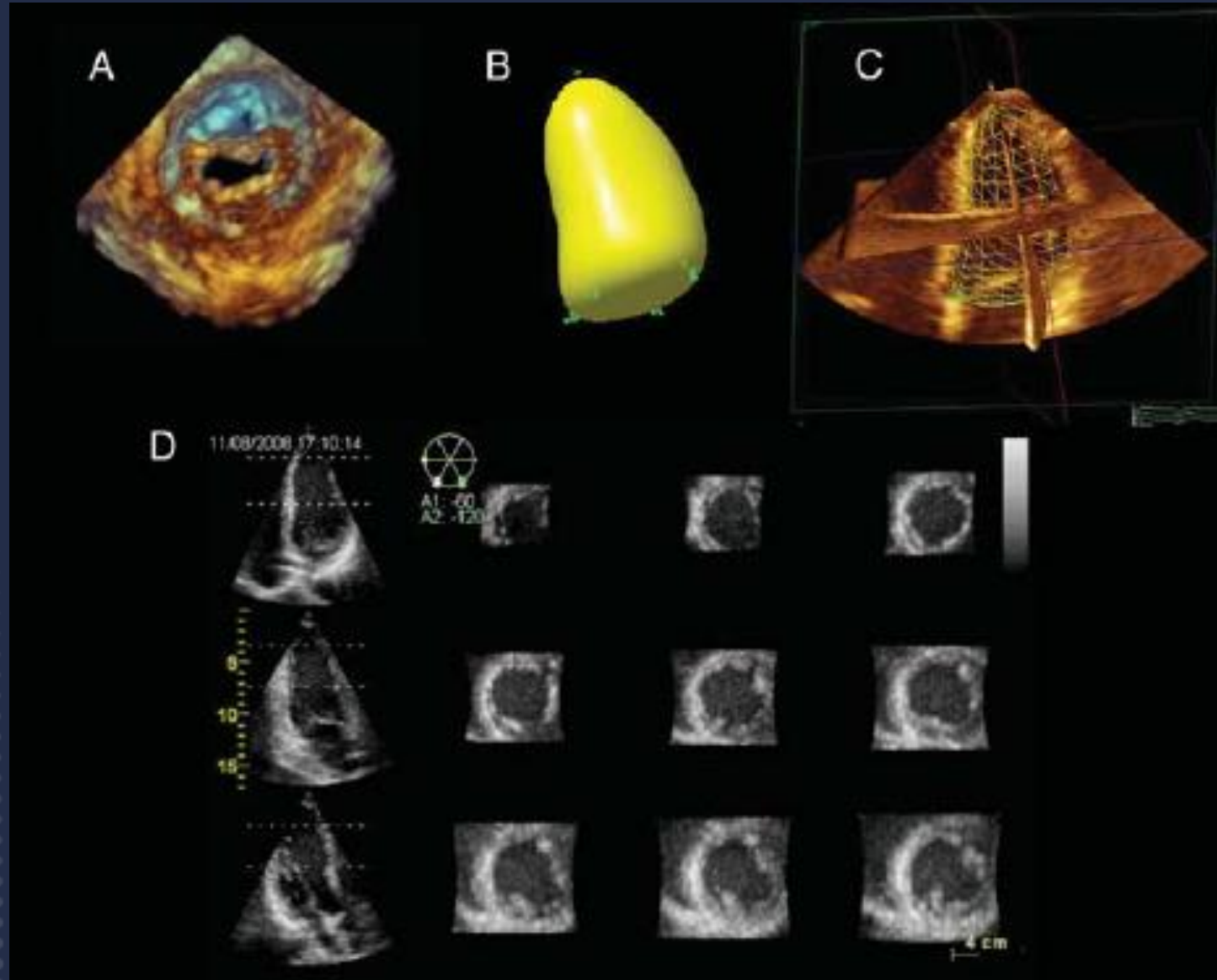
Advances in Echocardiography in Heart Failure

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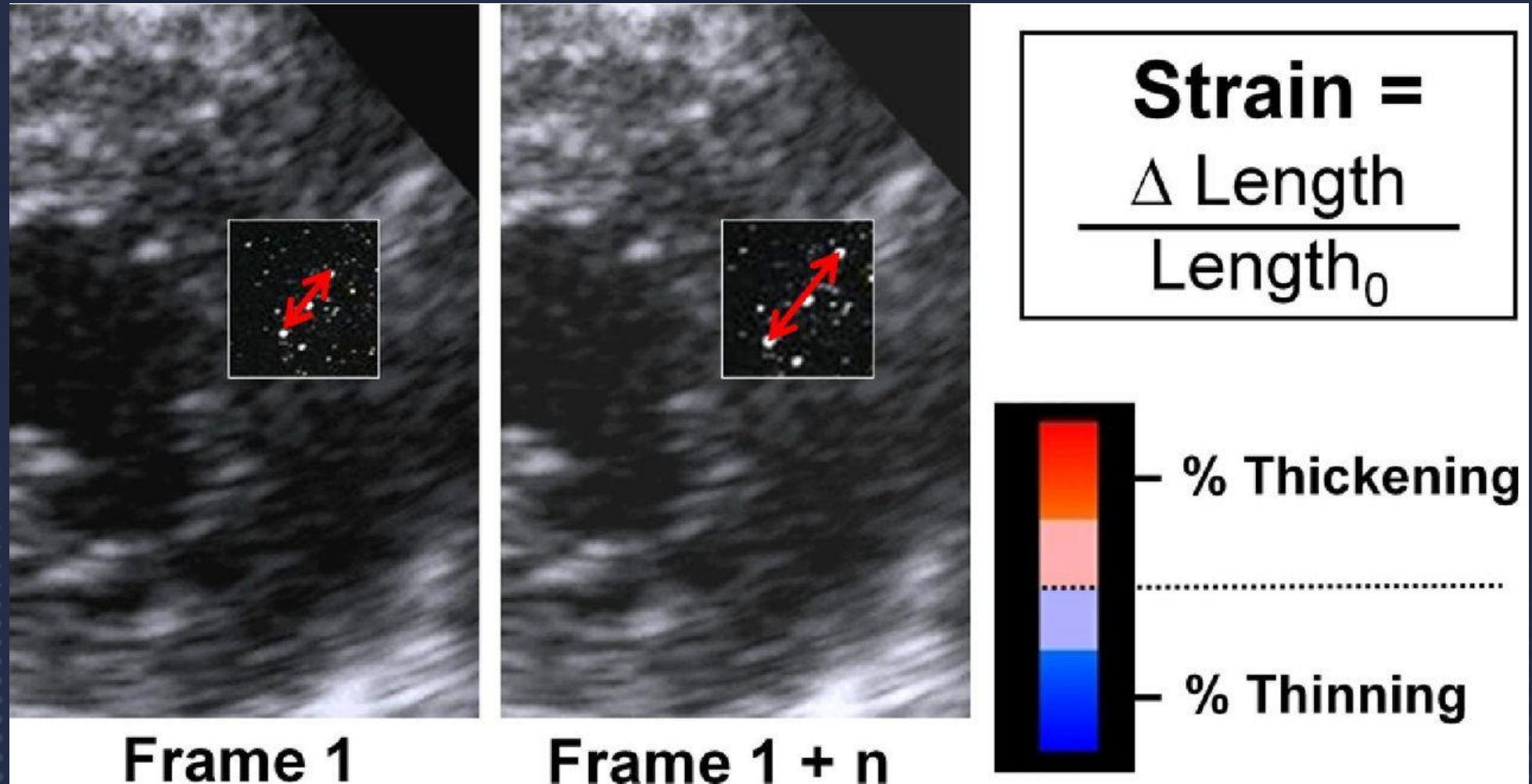


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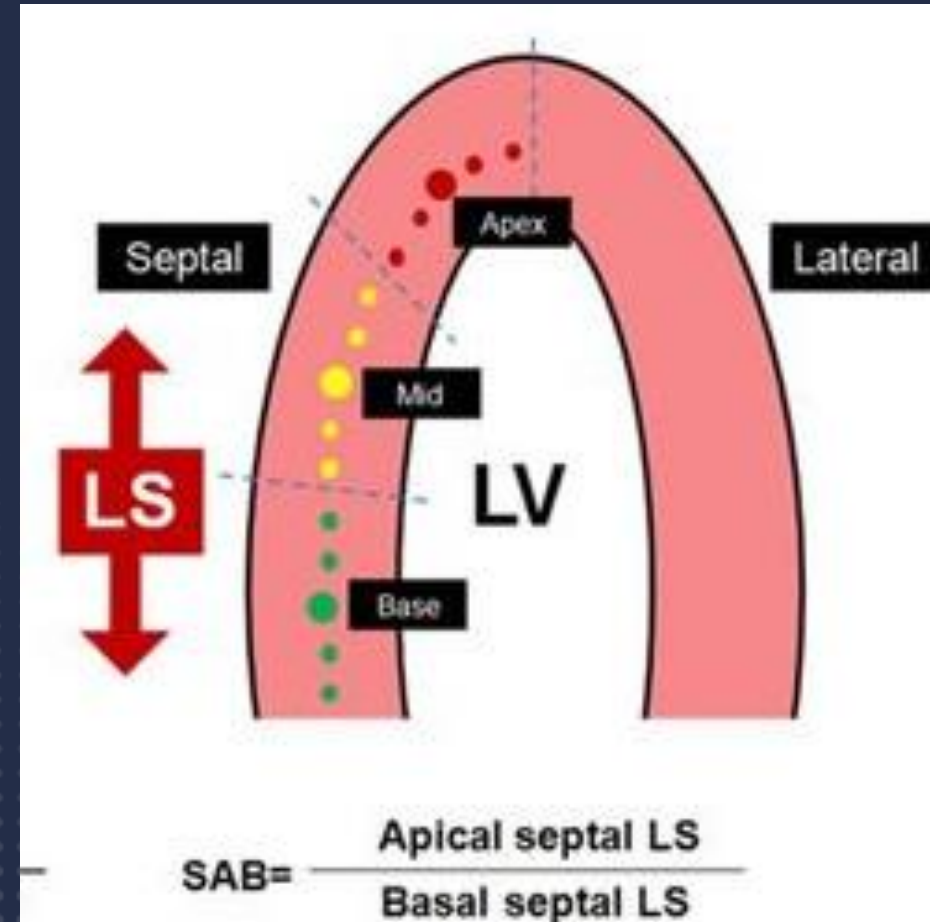
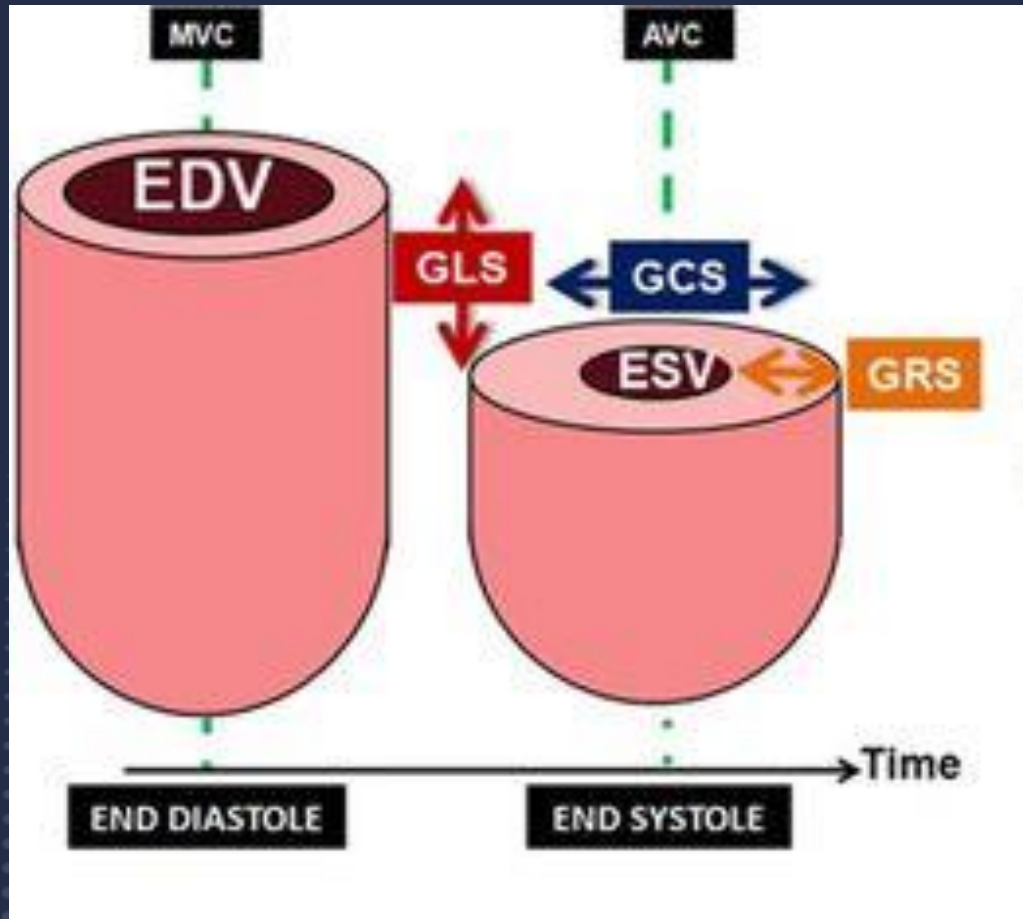
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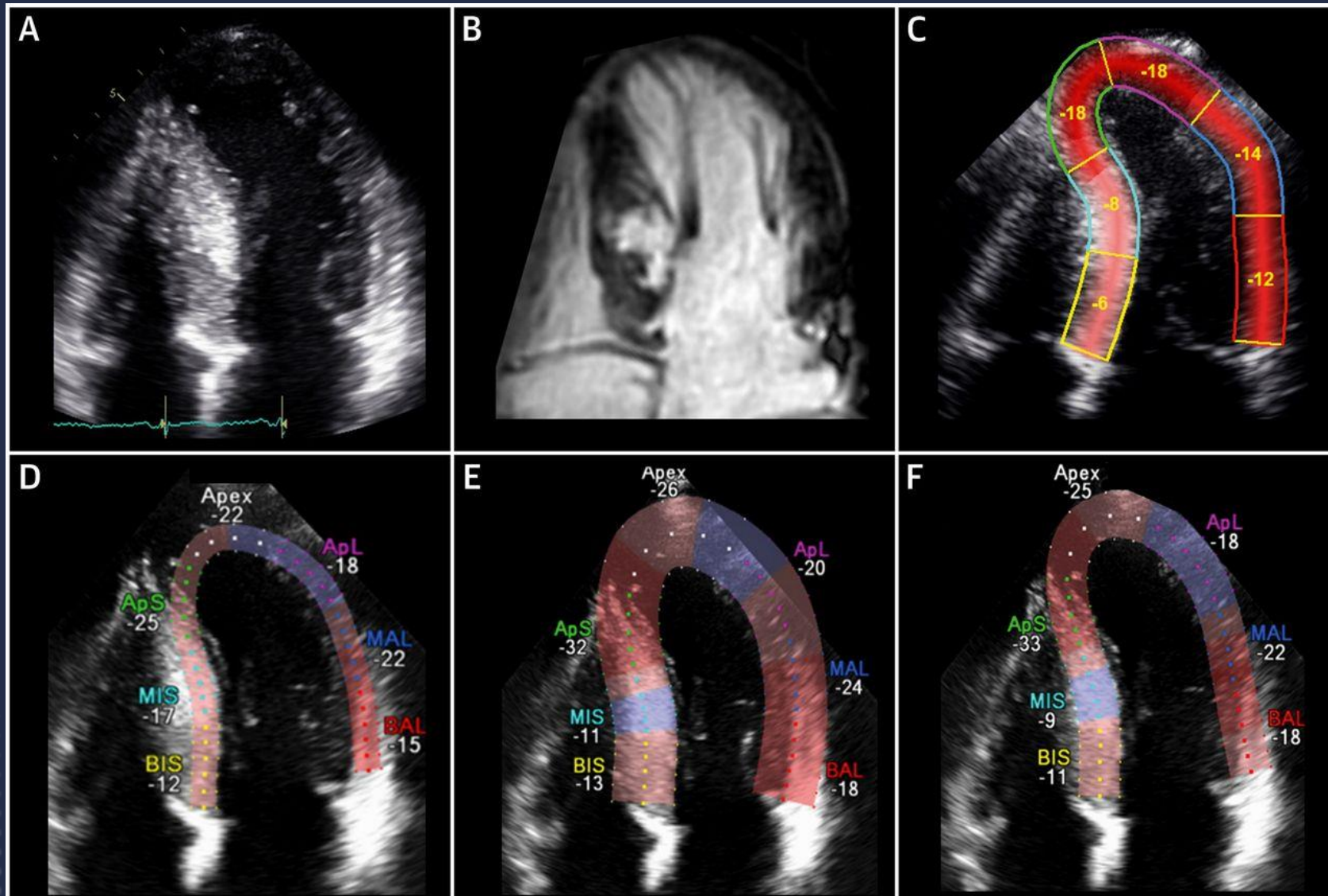
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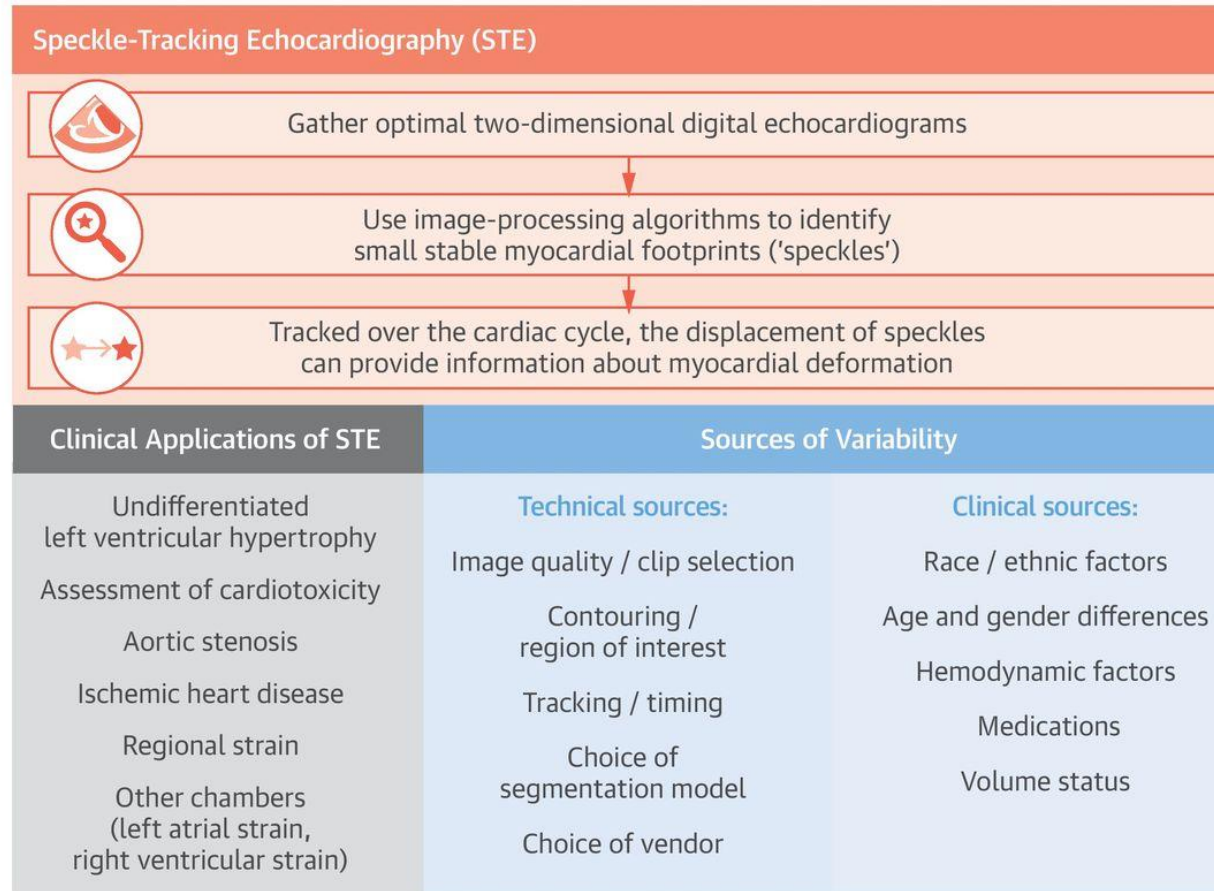


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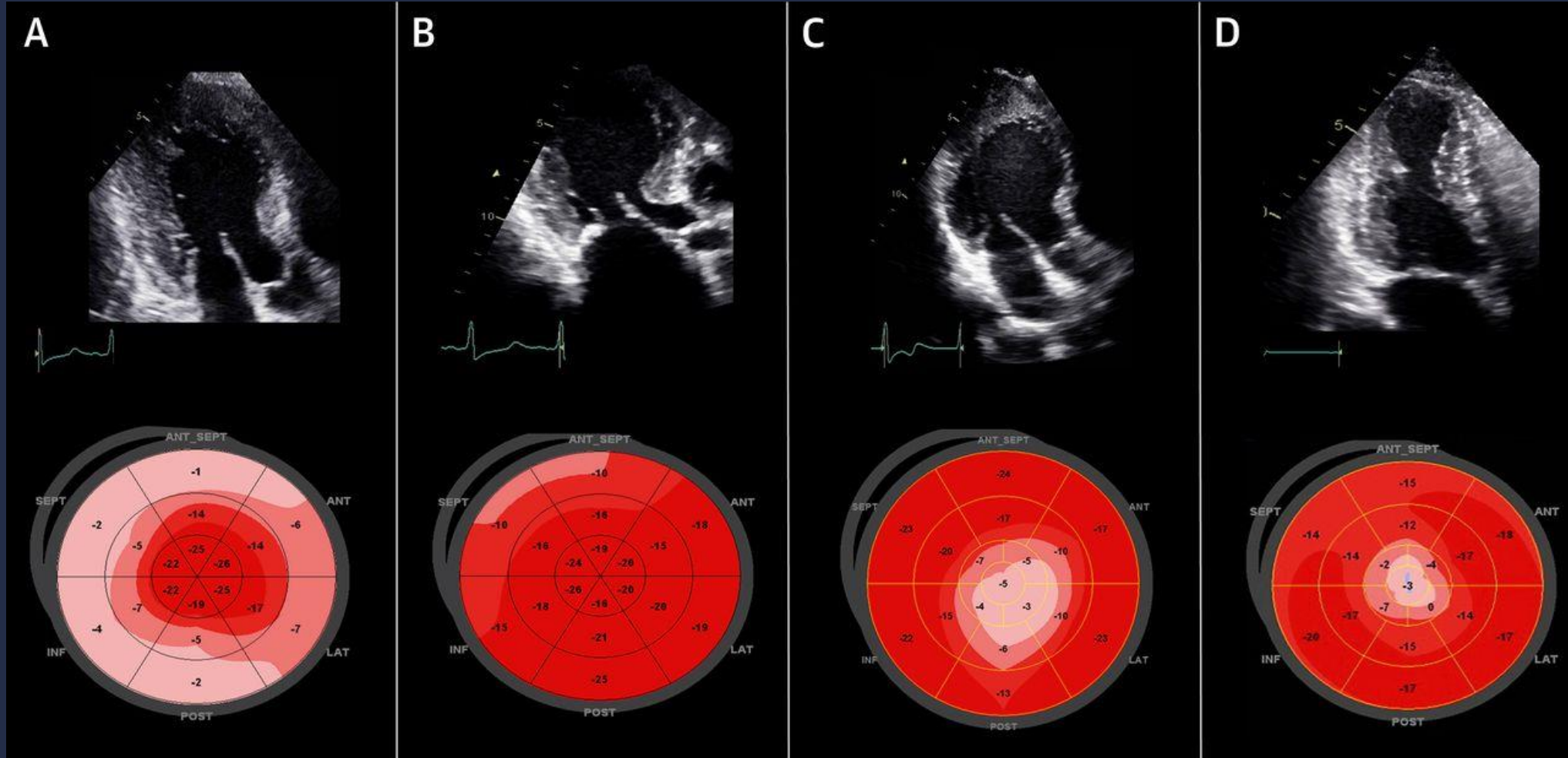
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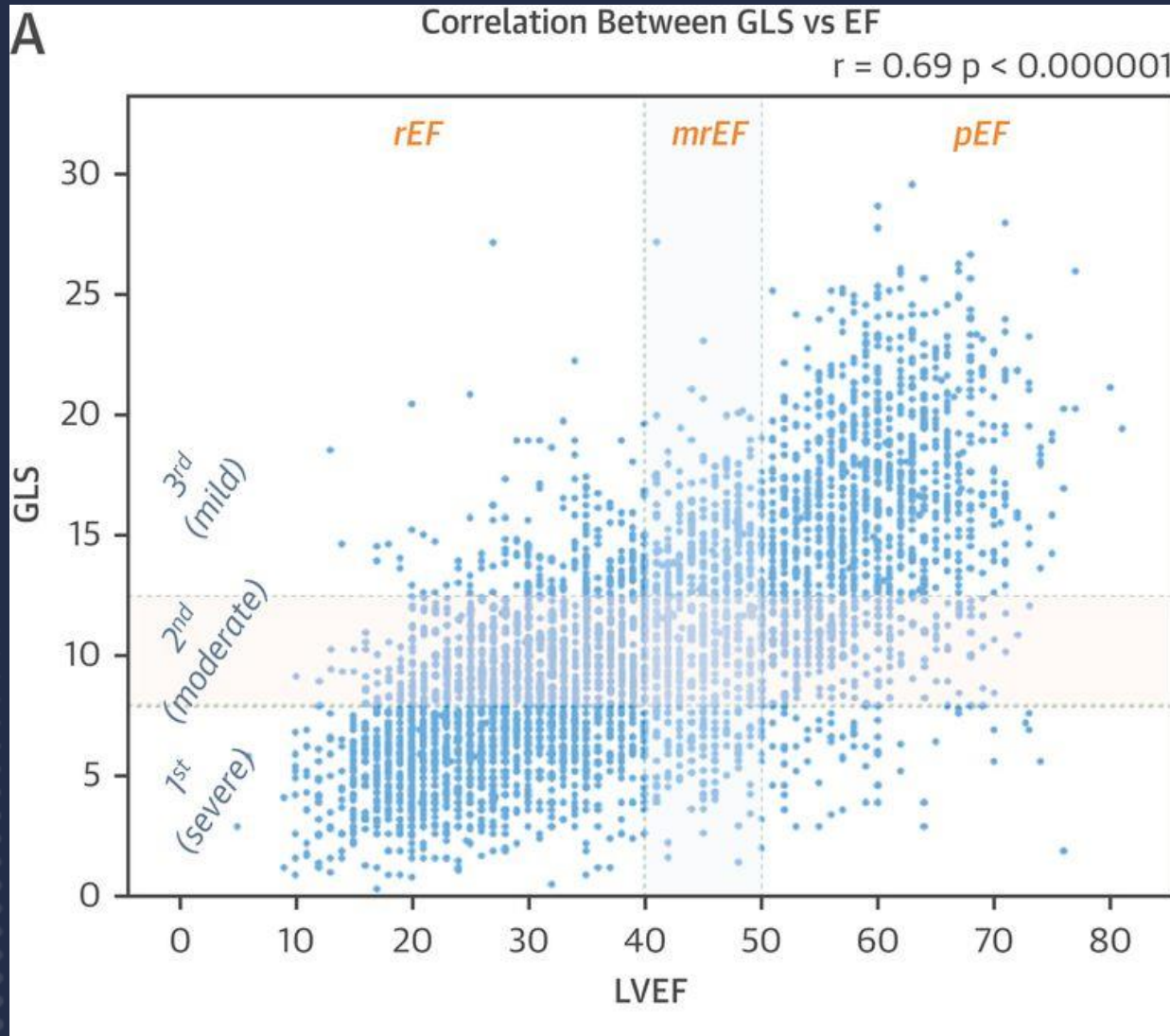
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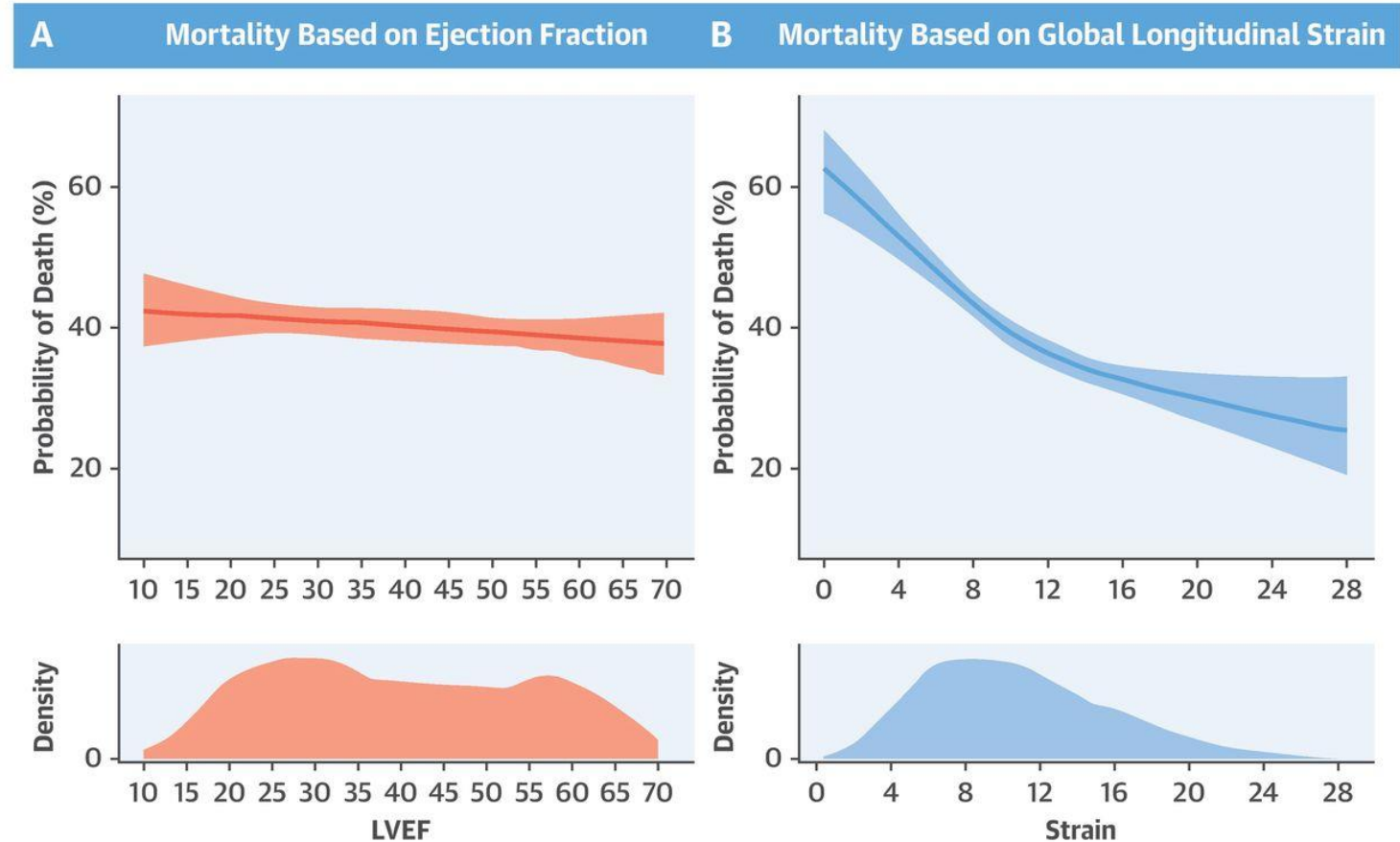
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CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION: Prognostic Value of Strain in Acute Heart Failure: Probability Plot for 5-Year All-Cause Mortality

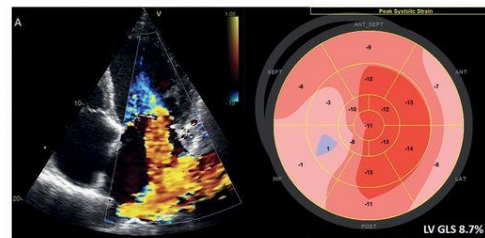


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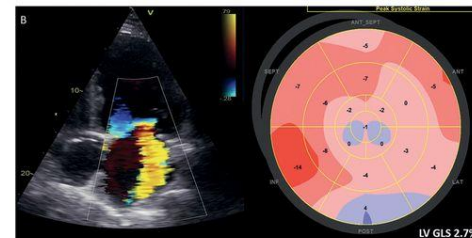
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CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION: Association of Left Ventricular Global Longitudinal Strain and All-Cause Mortality in Patients With Significant Secondary Mitral Regurgitation

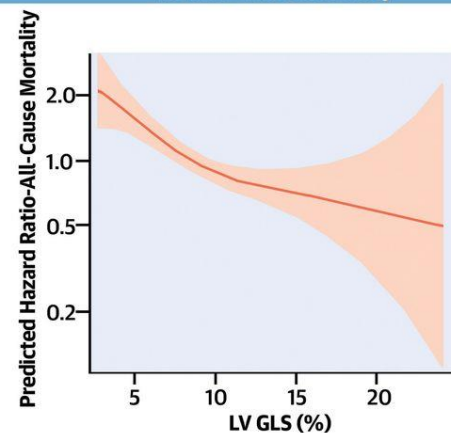
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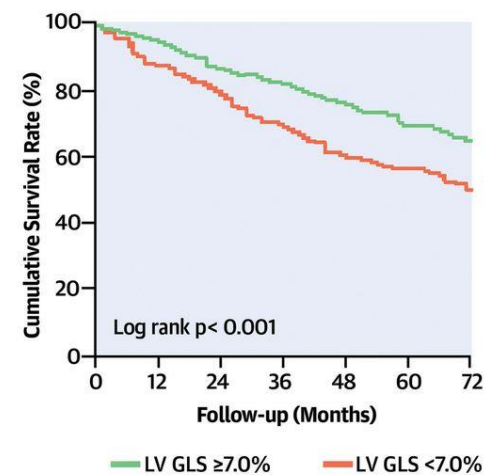
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C Association Between LV Global Longitudinal Strain and All-Cause Mortality

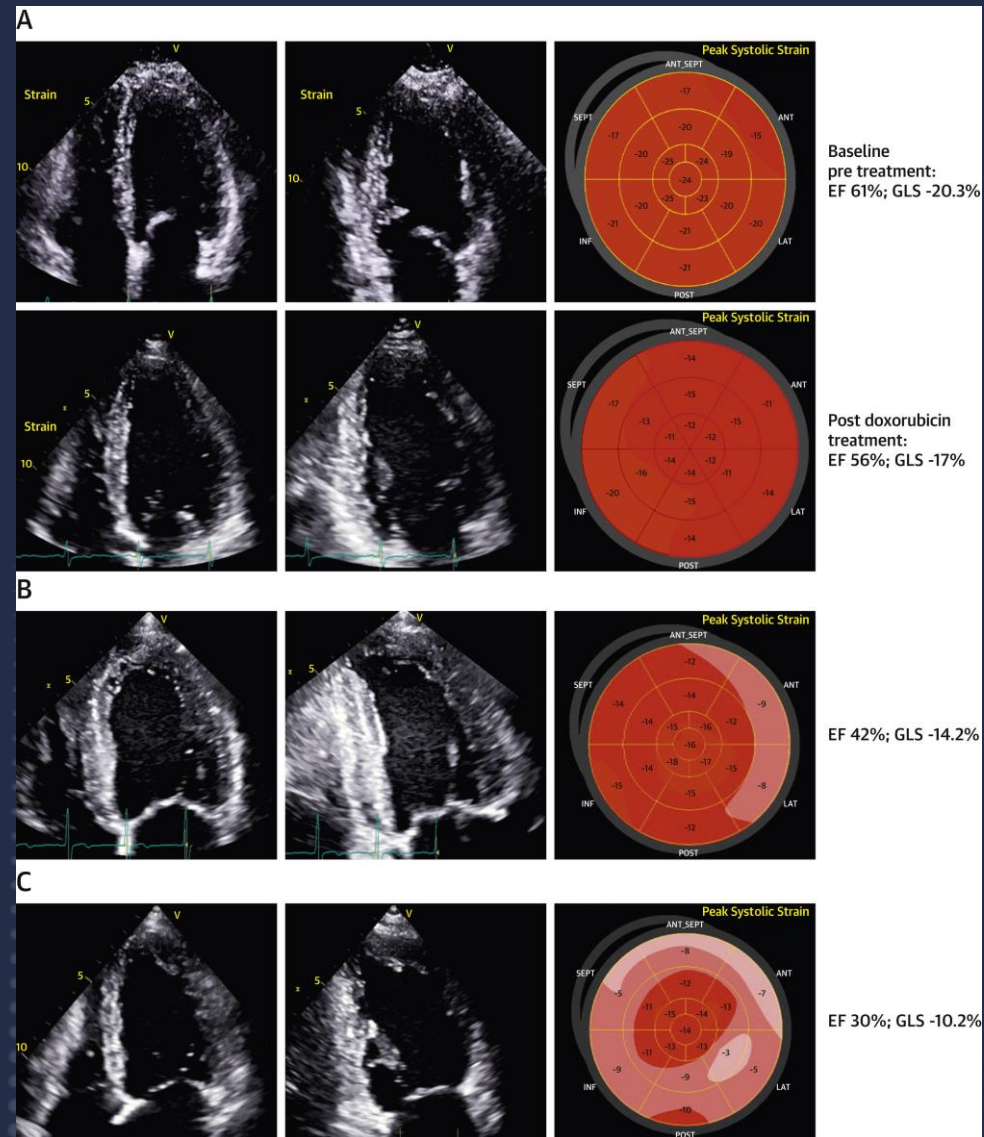


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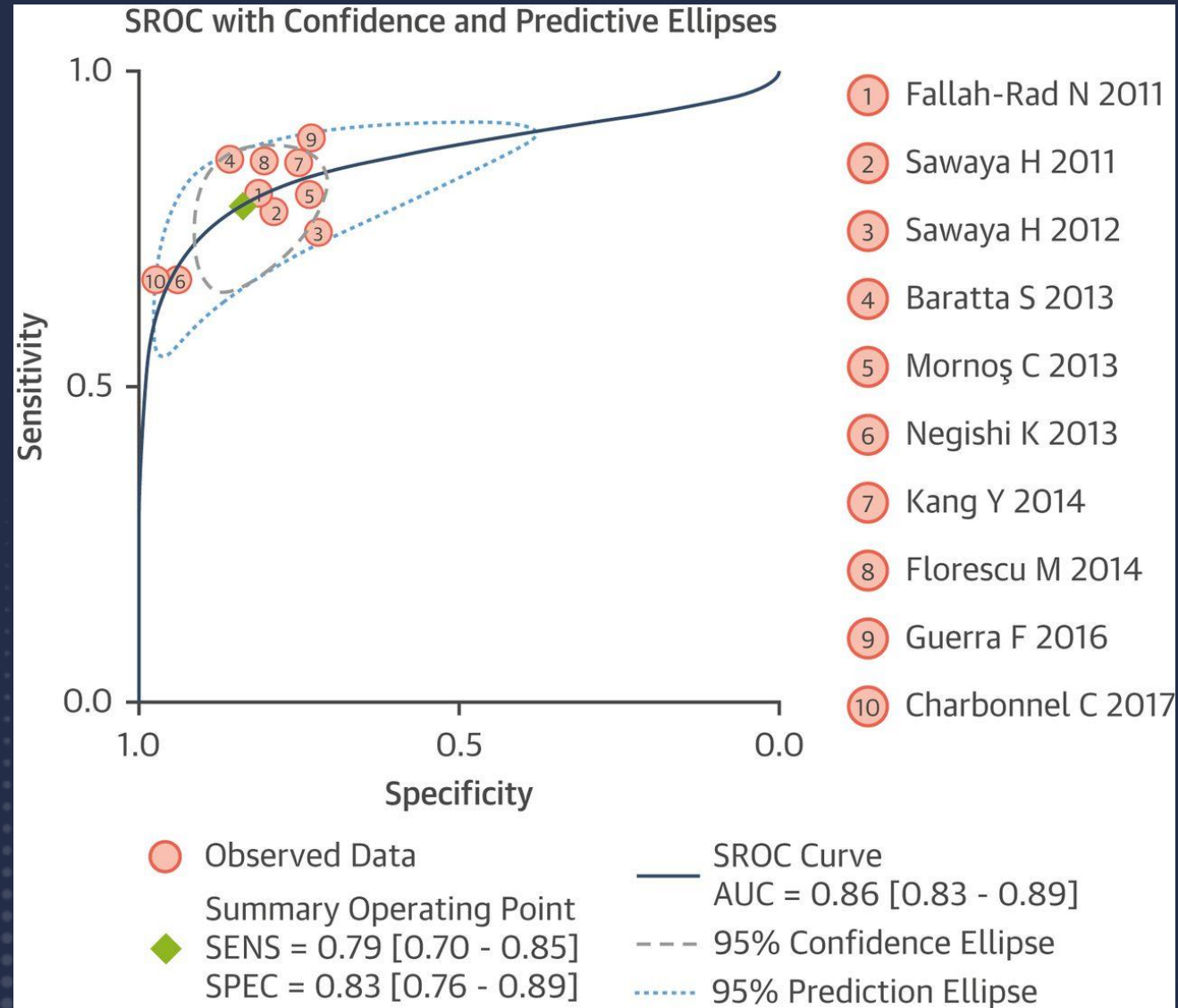
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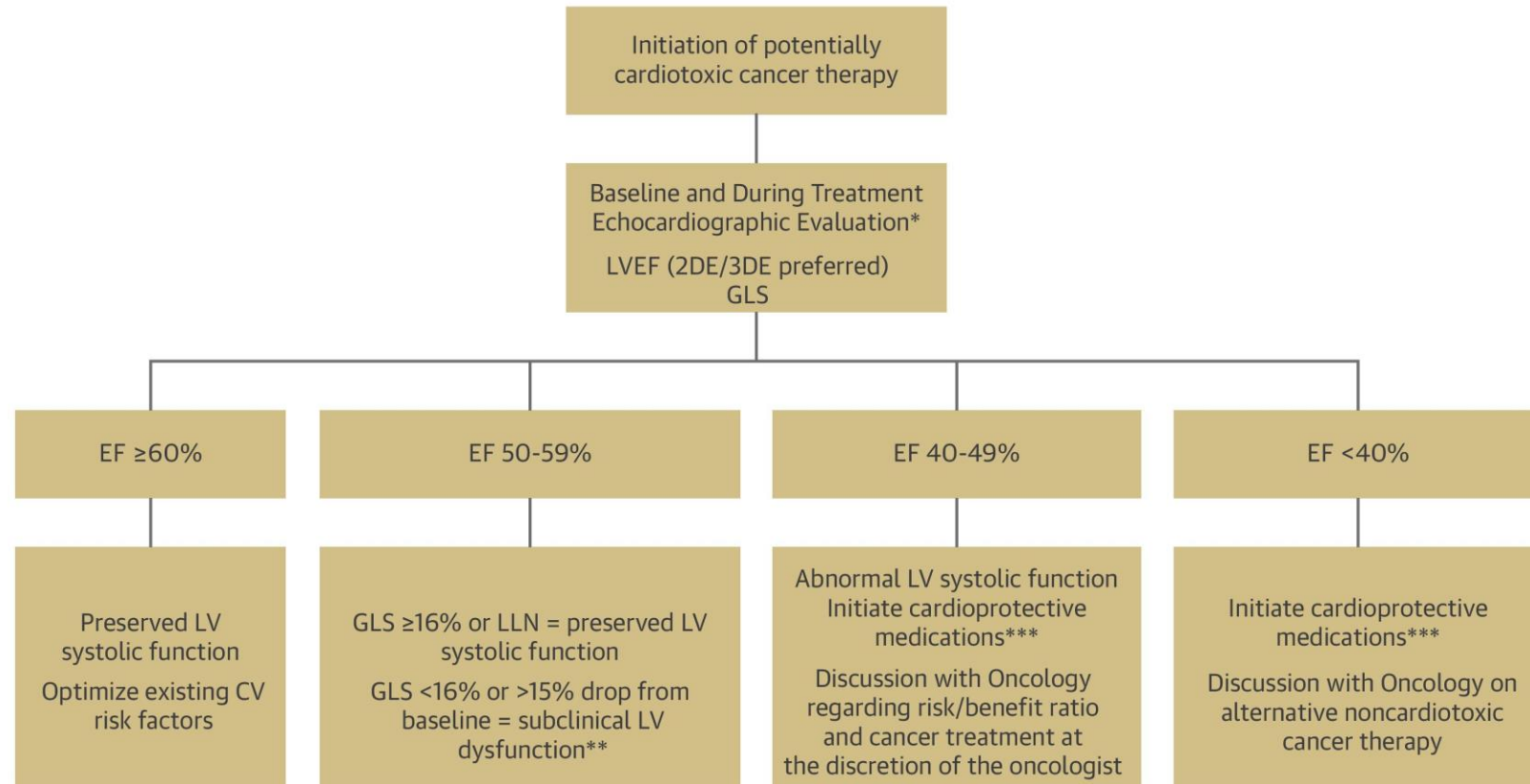
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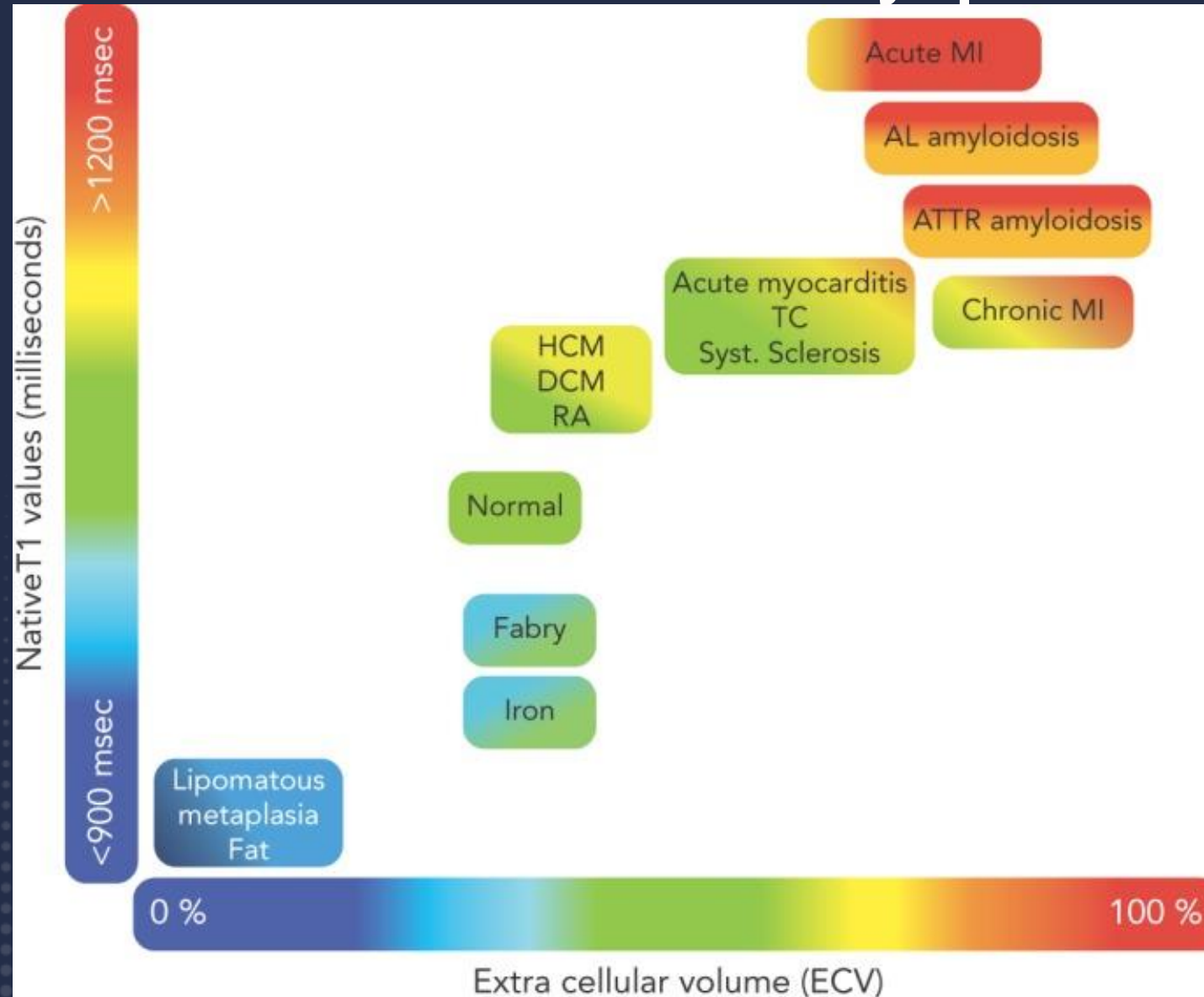
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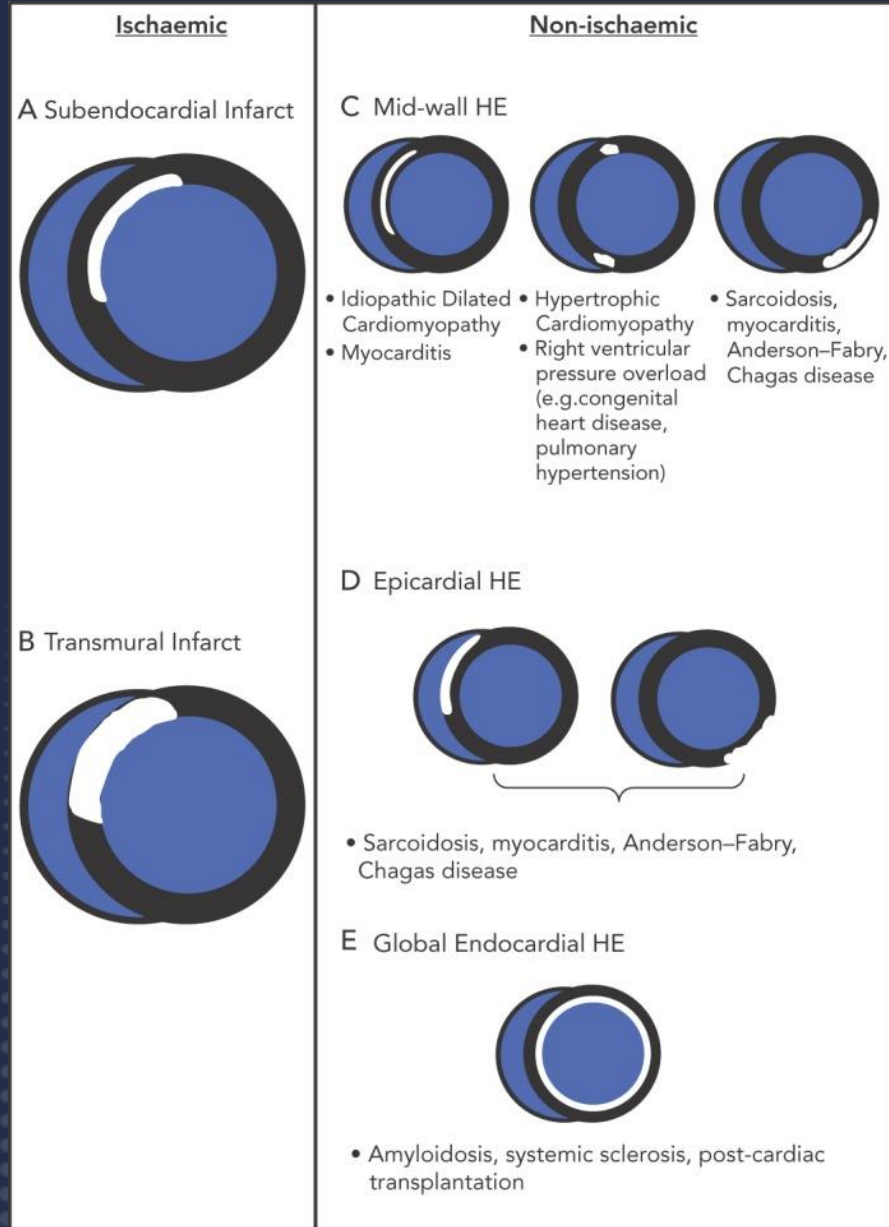
Cardiac MRI

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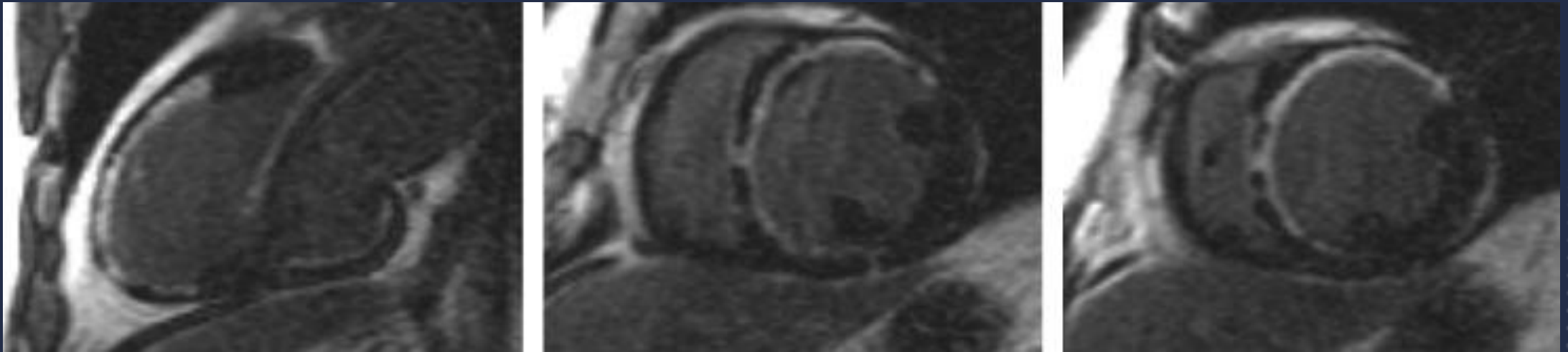


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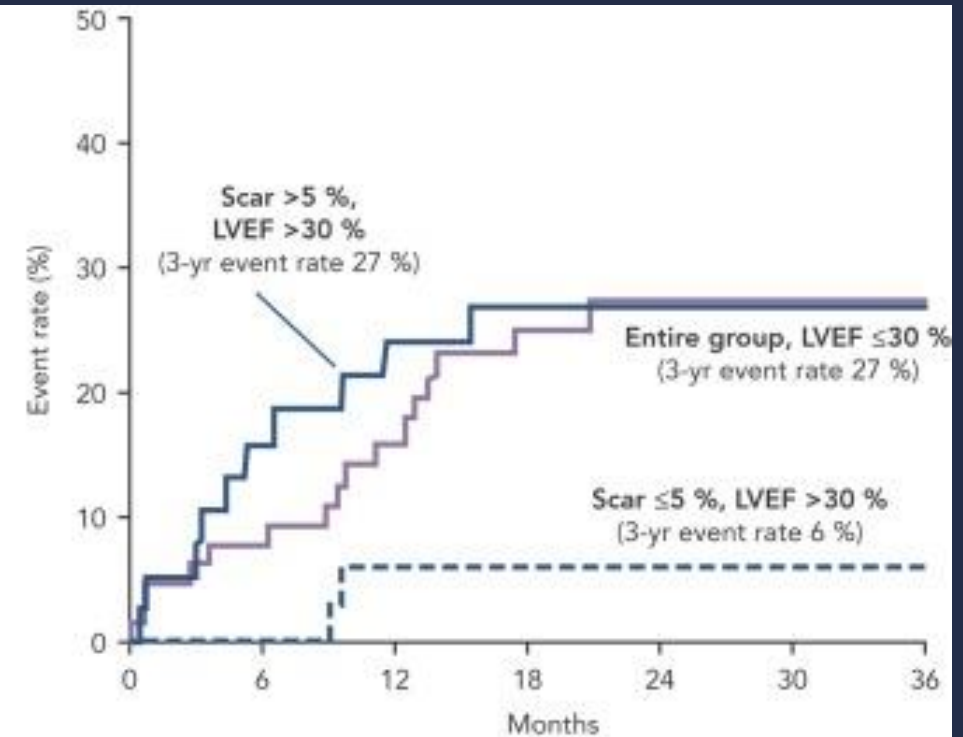
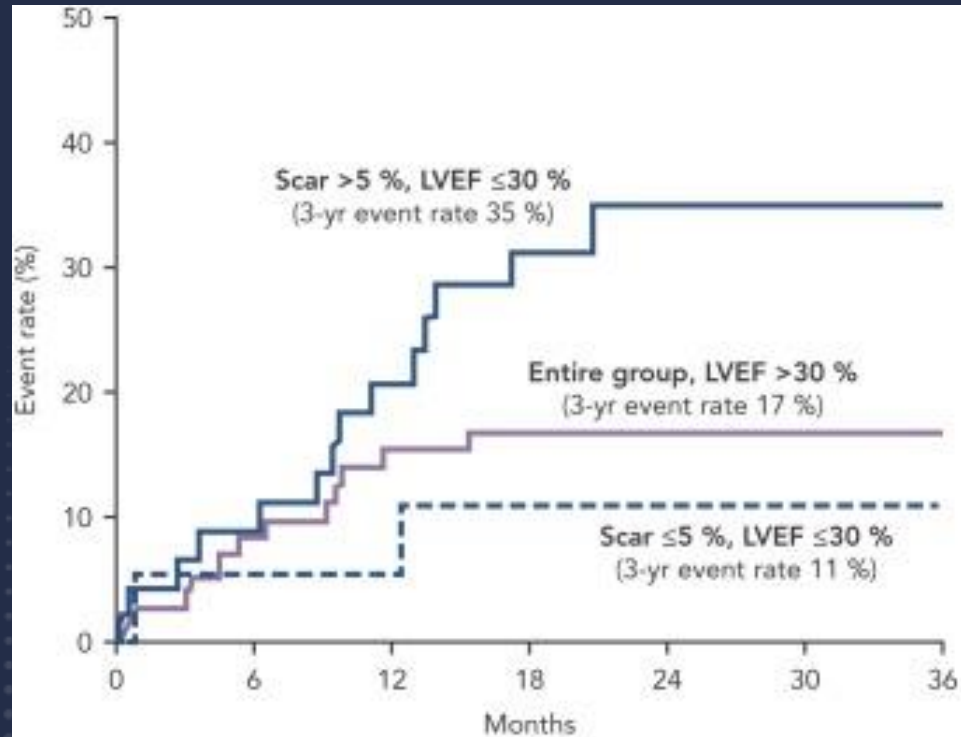


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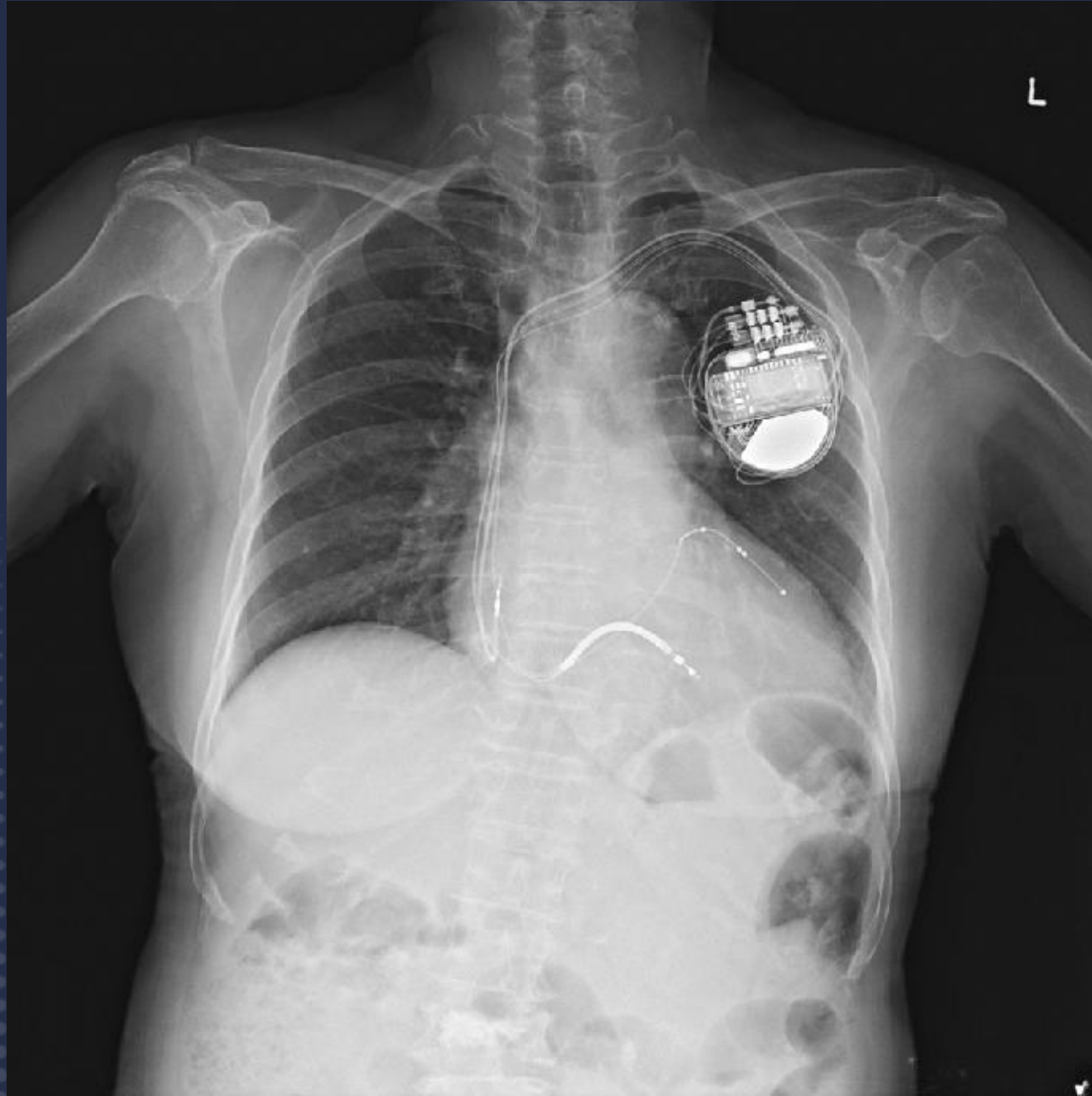


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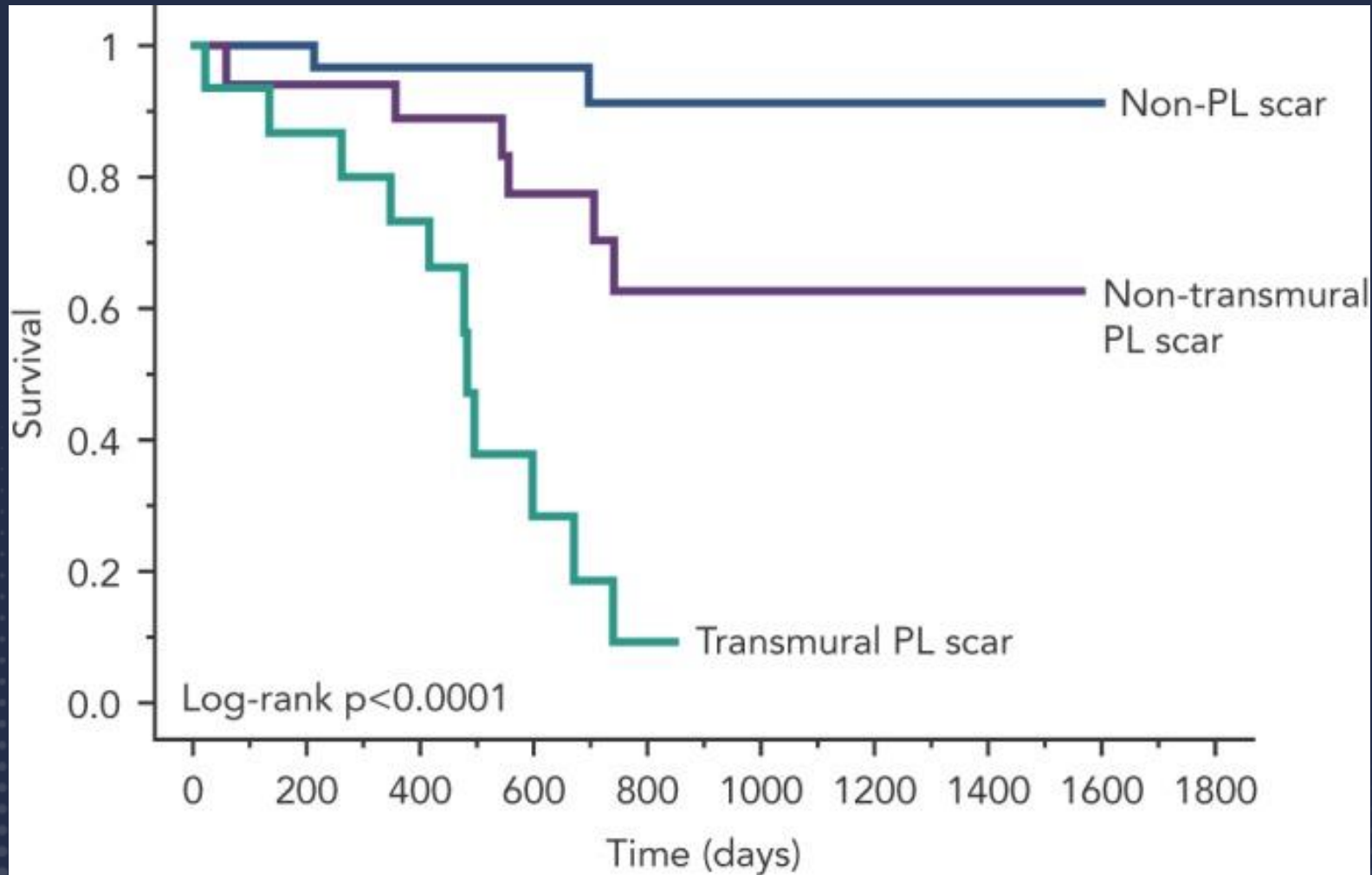
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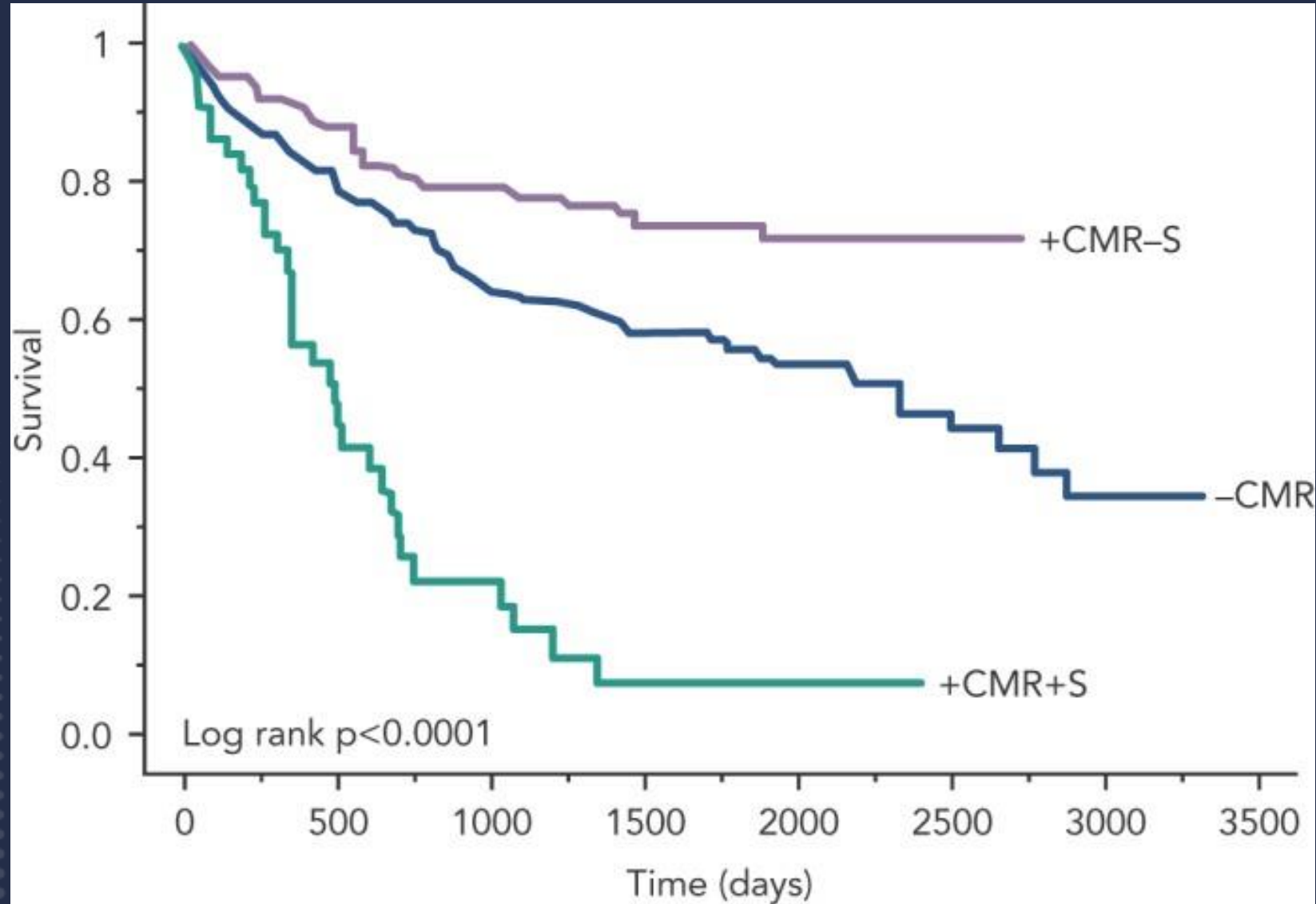
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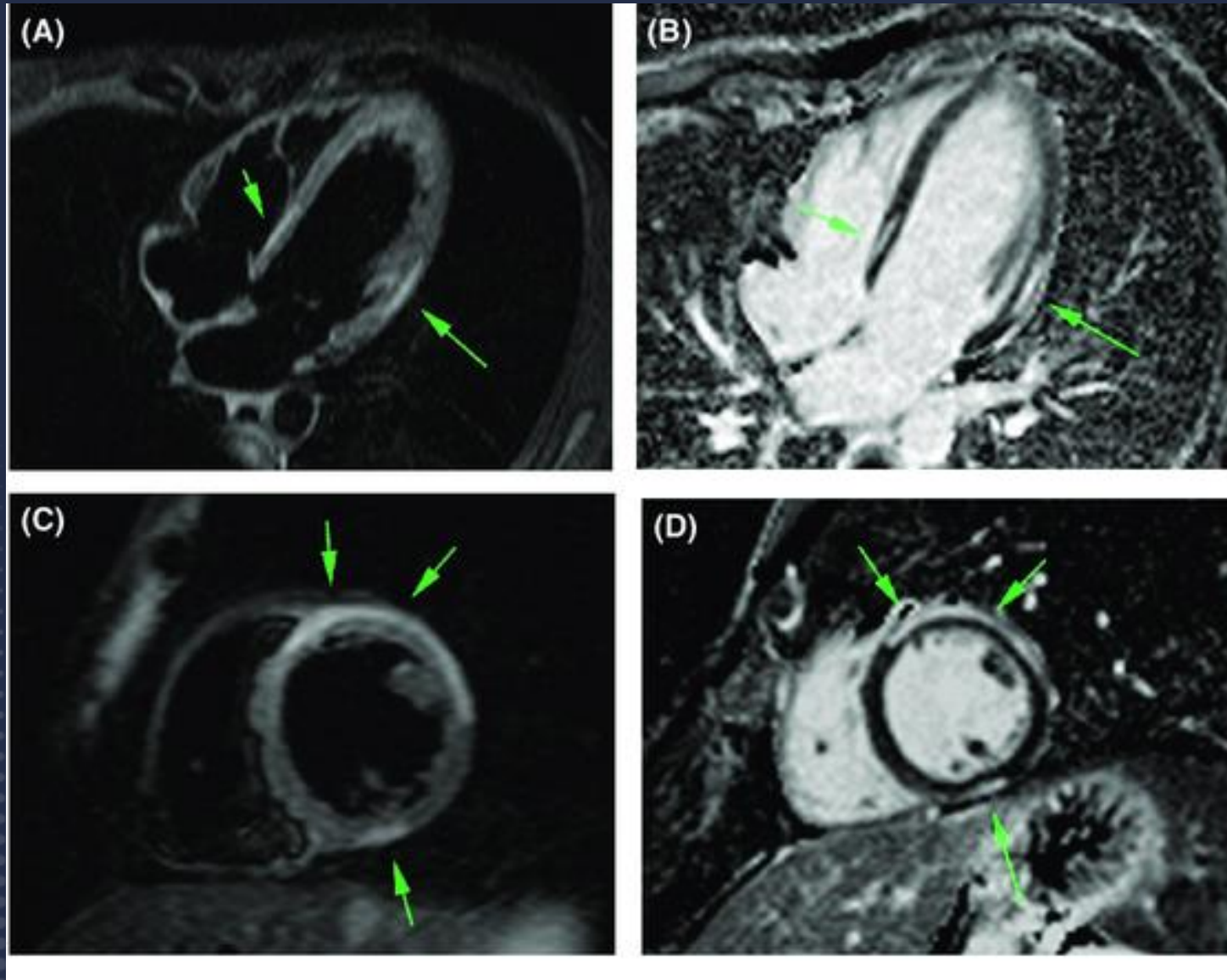
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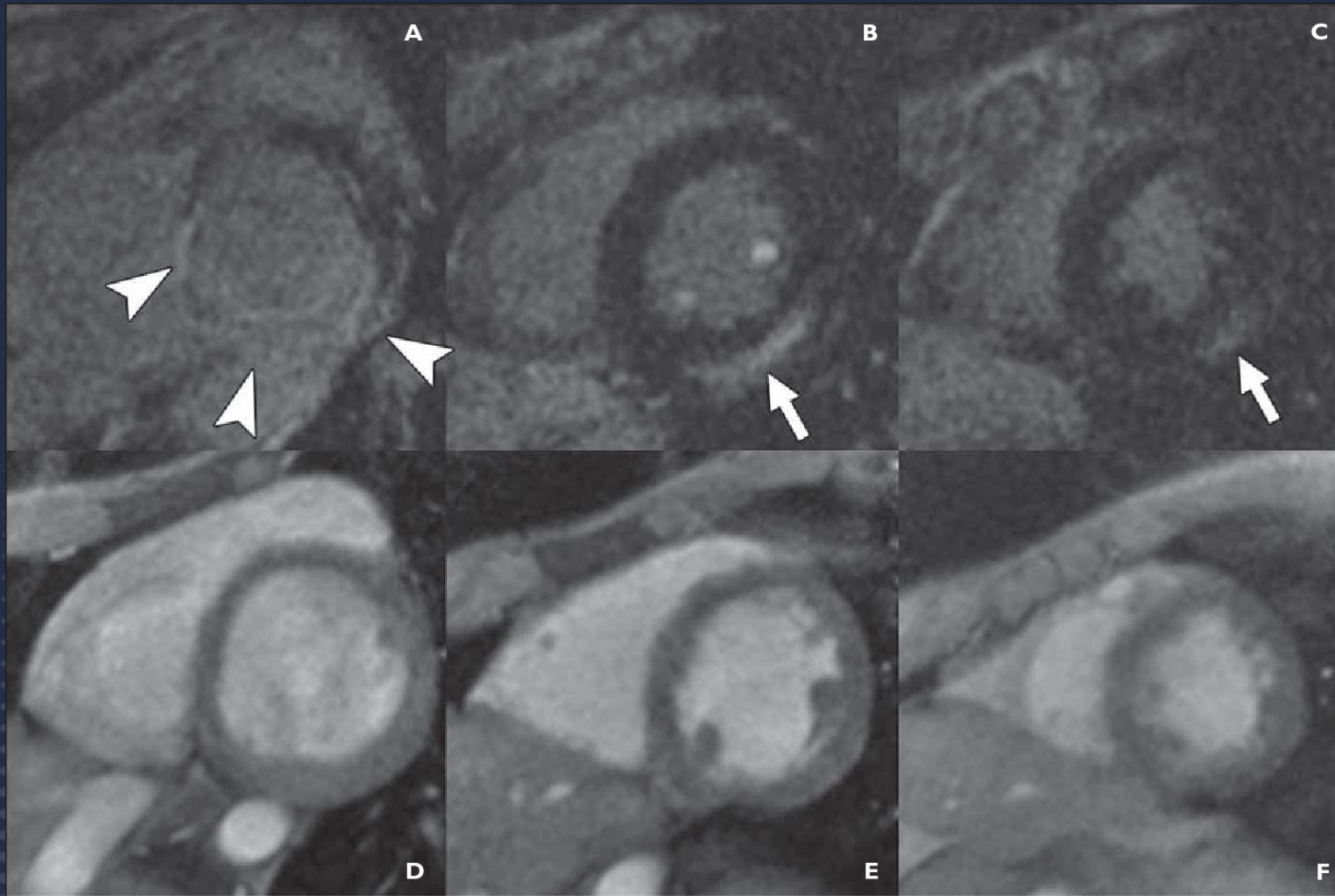
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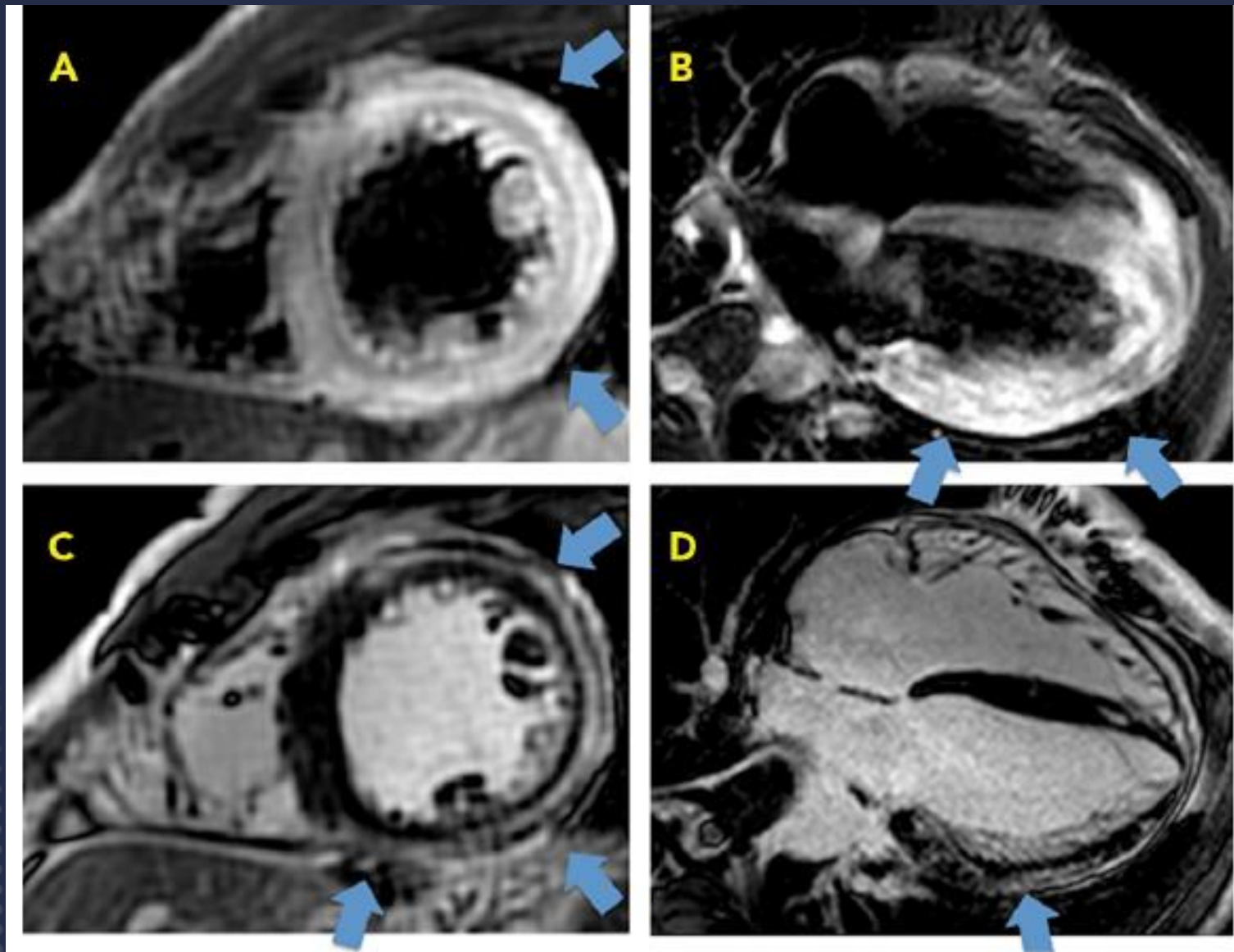
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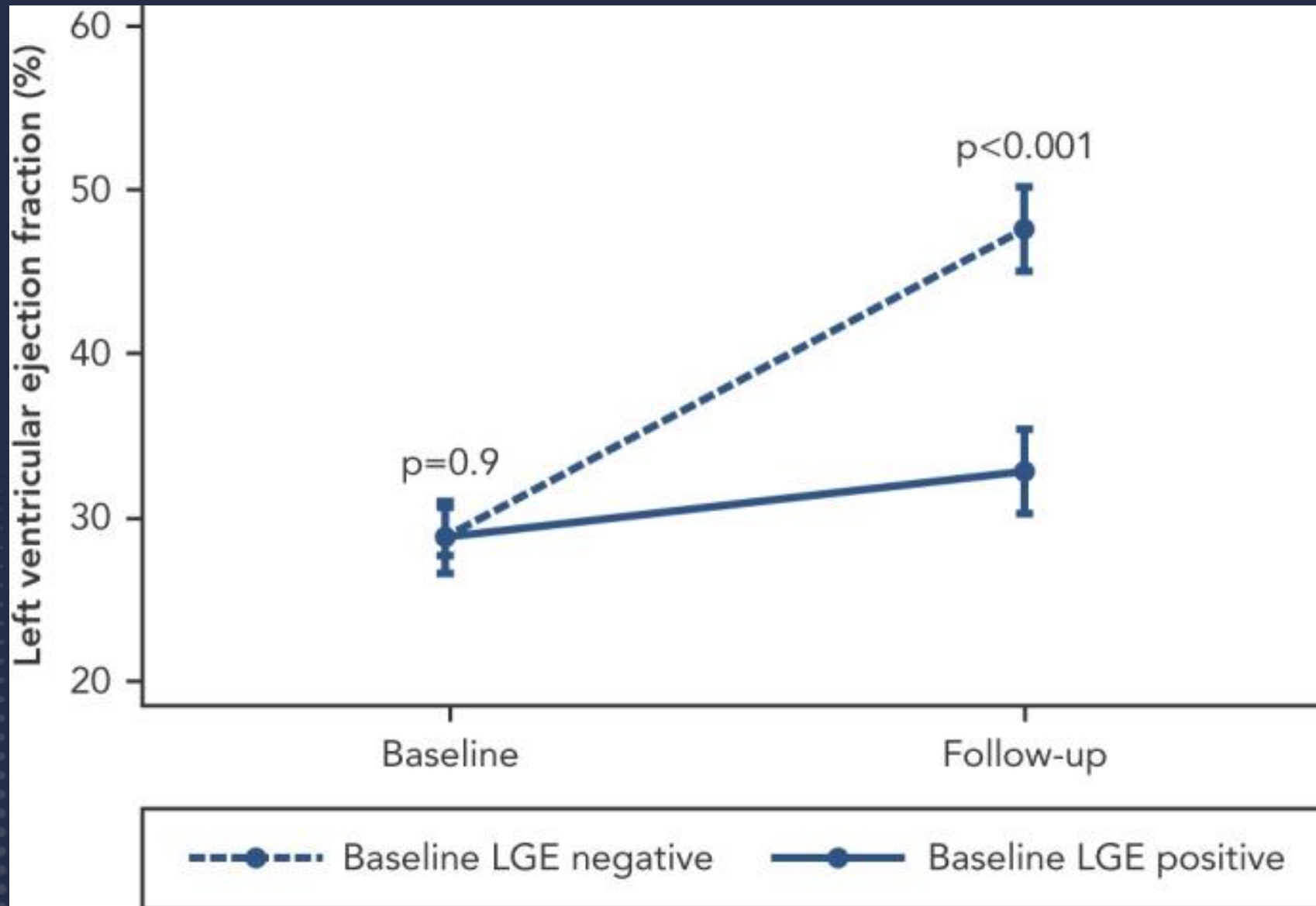
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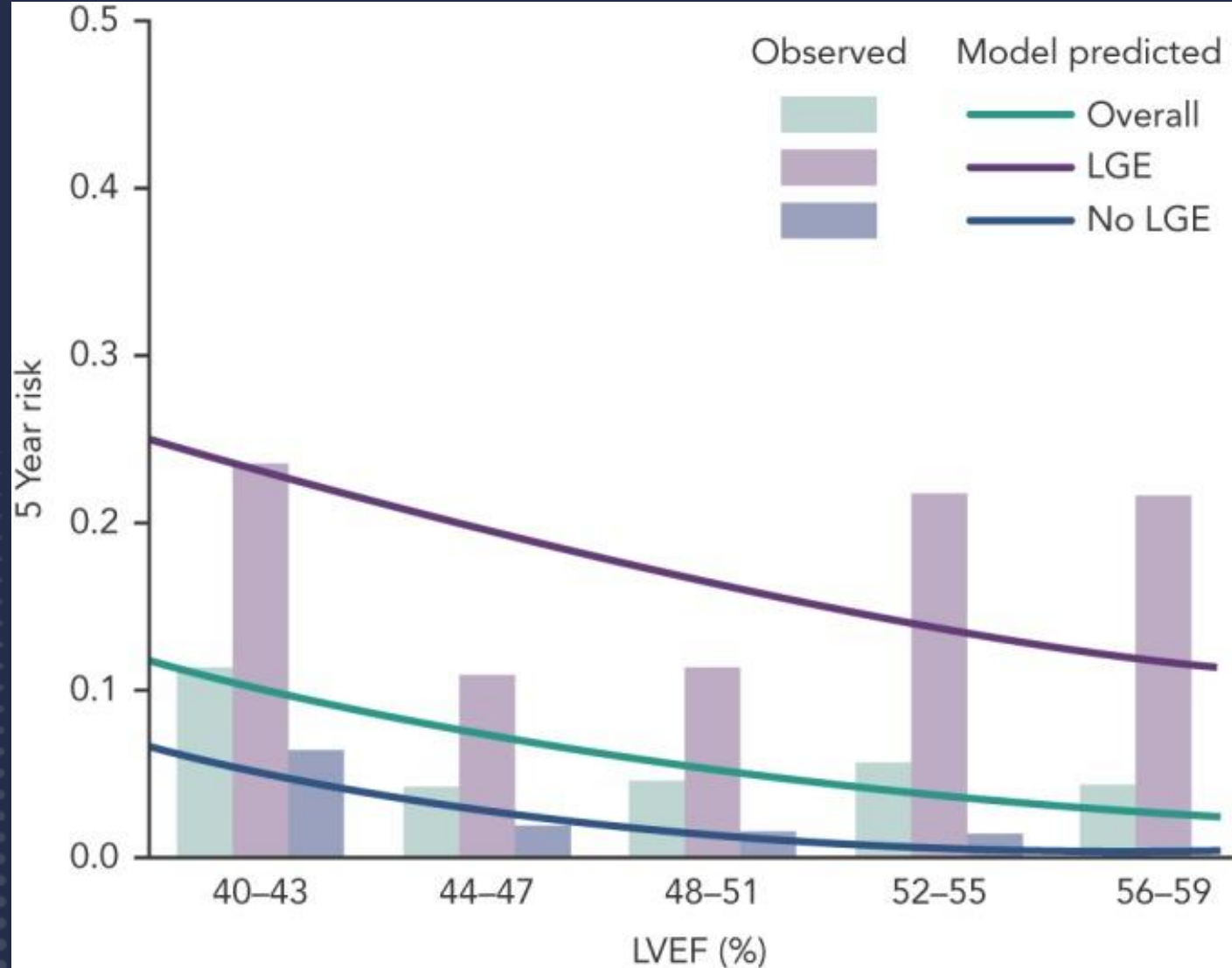


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Imaging for Amyloid Heart Disease

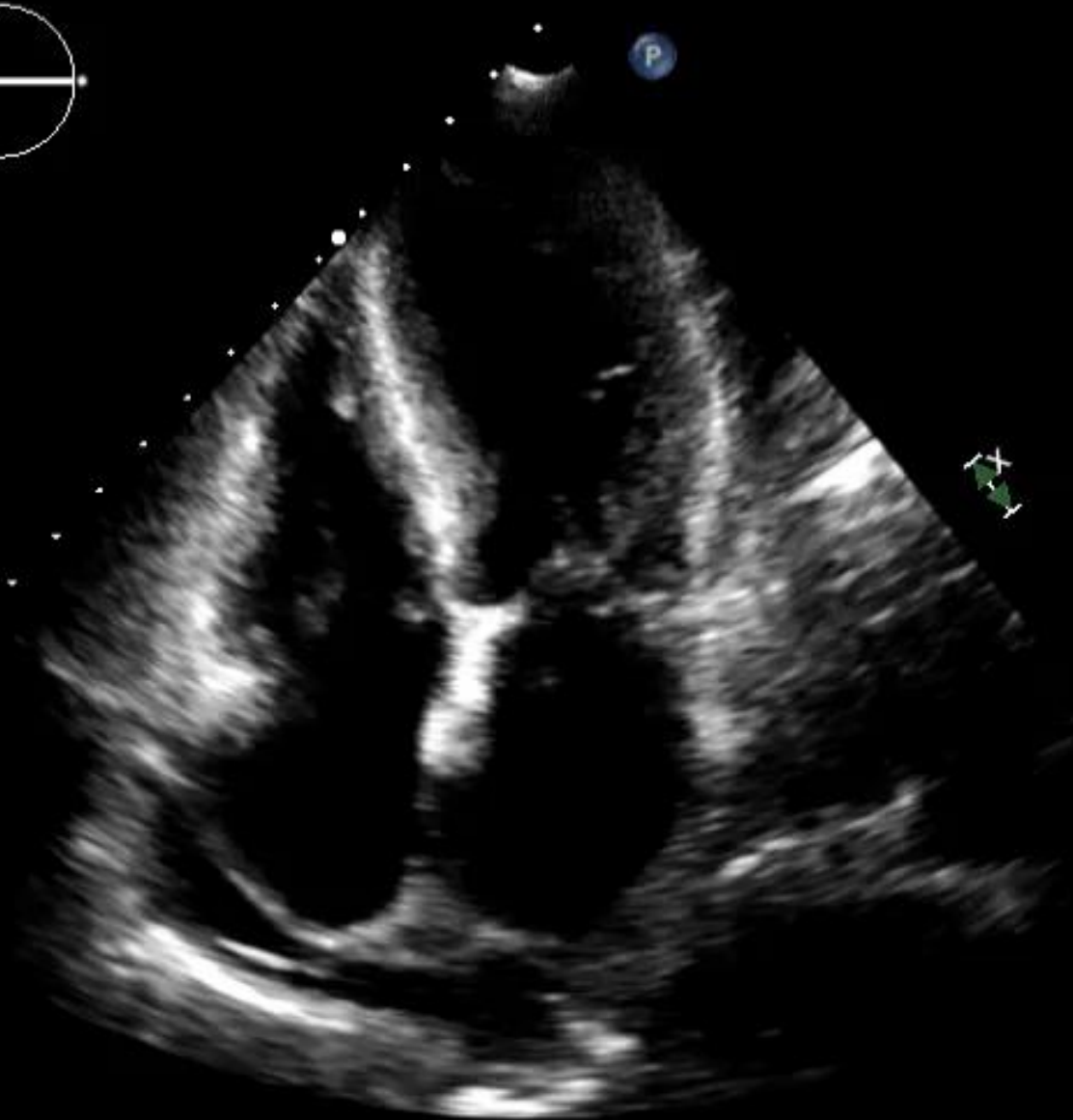
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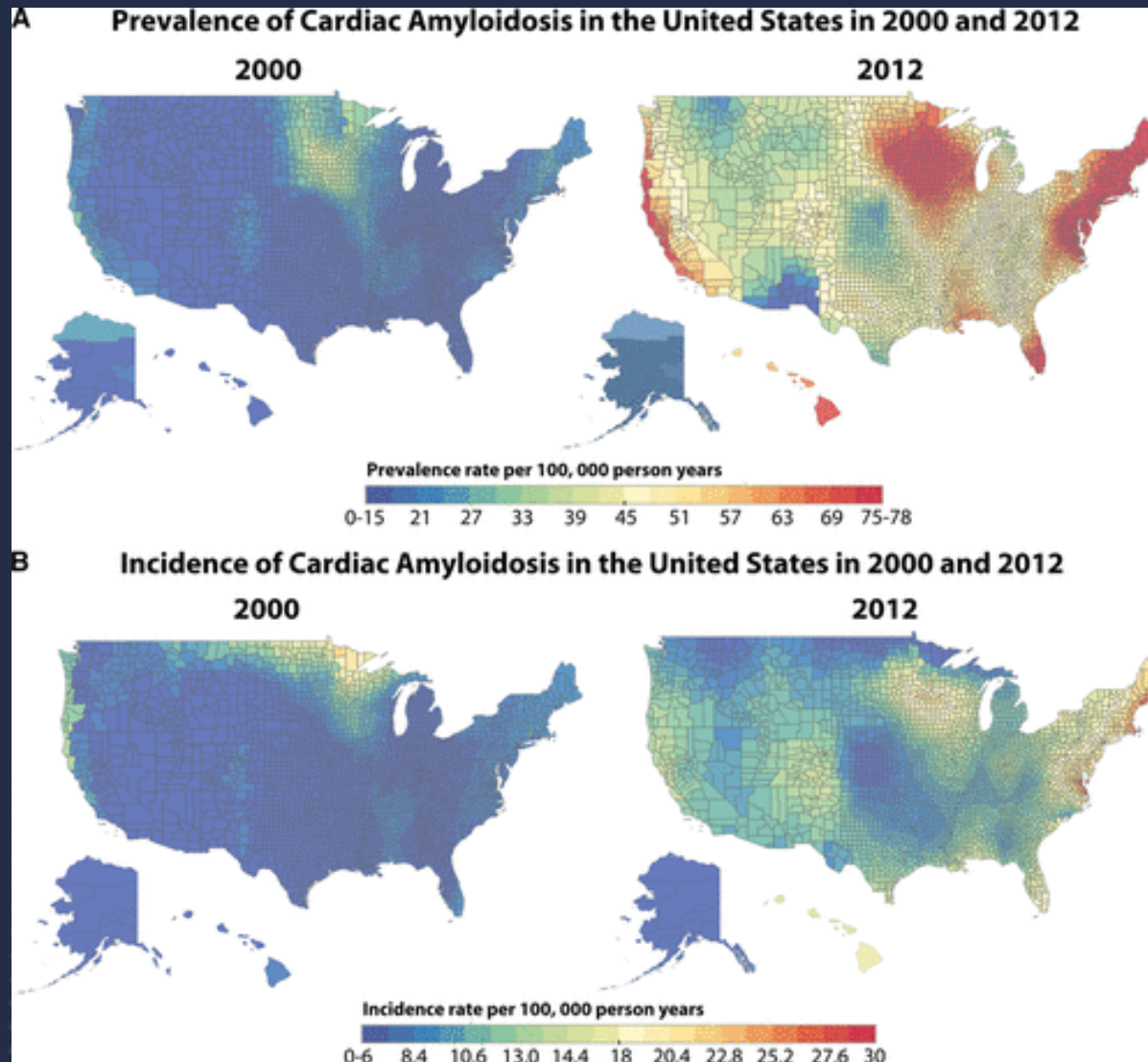


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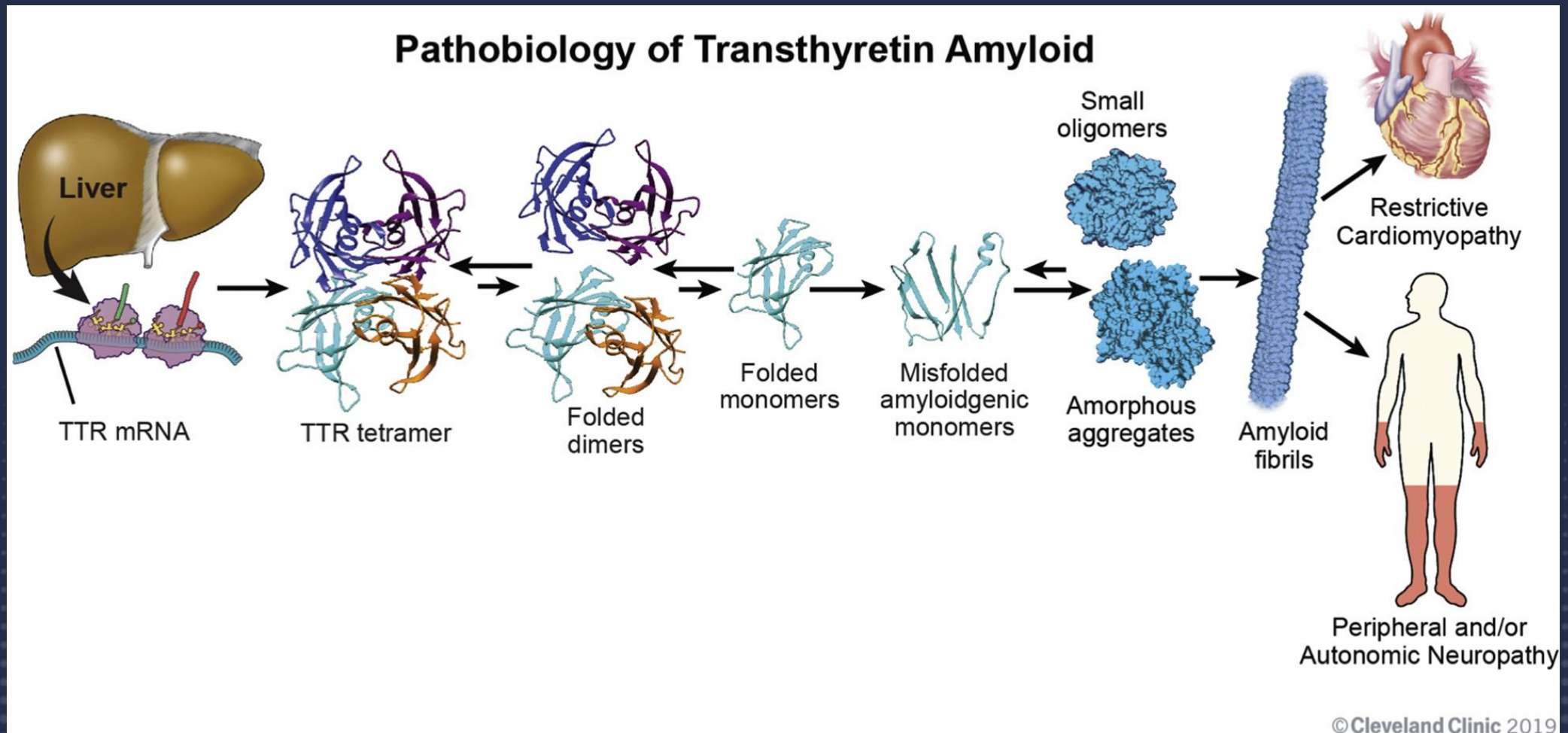
Cardiac Amyloidosis



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Amyloid Type	Systemic Amyloidosis		Transthyretin (TTR) Amyloidosis	
Subtype	<u>AL</u>	<u>AA</u>	ATTRm	ATTRwt
Protein Deposited	<u>L</u> ight chain	Amyloid <u>A</u>	<u>M</u> utated TTR protein	<u>wt</u> TTR monomers
Disease Etiology	Plasma cell dyscrasia with ↑ light chains	Systemic autoimmune or infections	Familial mutation of TTR	Common in elderly aged > 75 years
Specific Features	Kidney, heart and liver affected	Renal dysfunction	V122I common in African Americans	Carpal tunnel; Male dominance
Median Survival	1-3 years	11 years	2 years	4-6 years
Prognostic Factors	Cardiac function, BNP, troponin	Serum AA levels, renal function	Duration, HR>70/min, ↓LVEF	BNP, uric acid, ↓LVEF, ↑ Wall Thickness
Therapy	Chemotherapy ± Stem cell transplant	Treat underlying conditions	Liver ± heart Tx ?siRNA or ASO ?Tafamidis or Diflunisal	?siRNA or ASO ?Tafamidis or Diflunisal

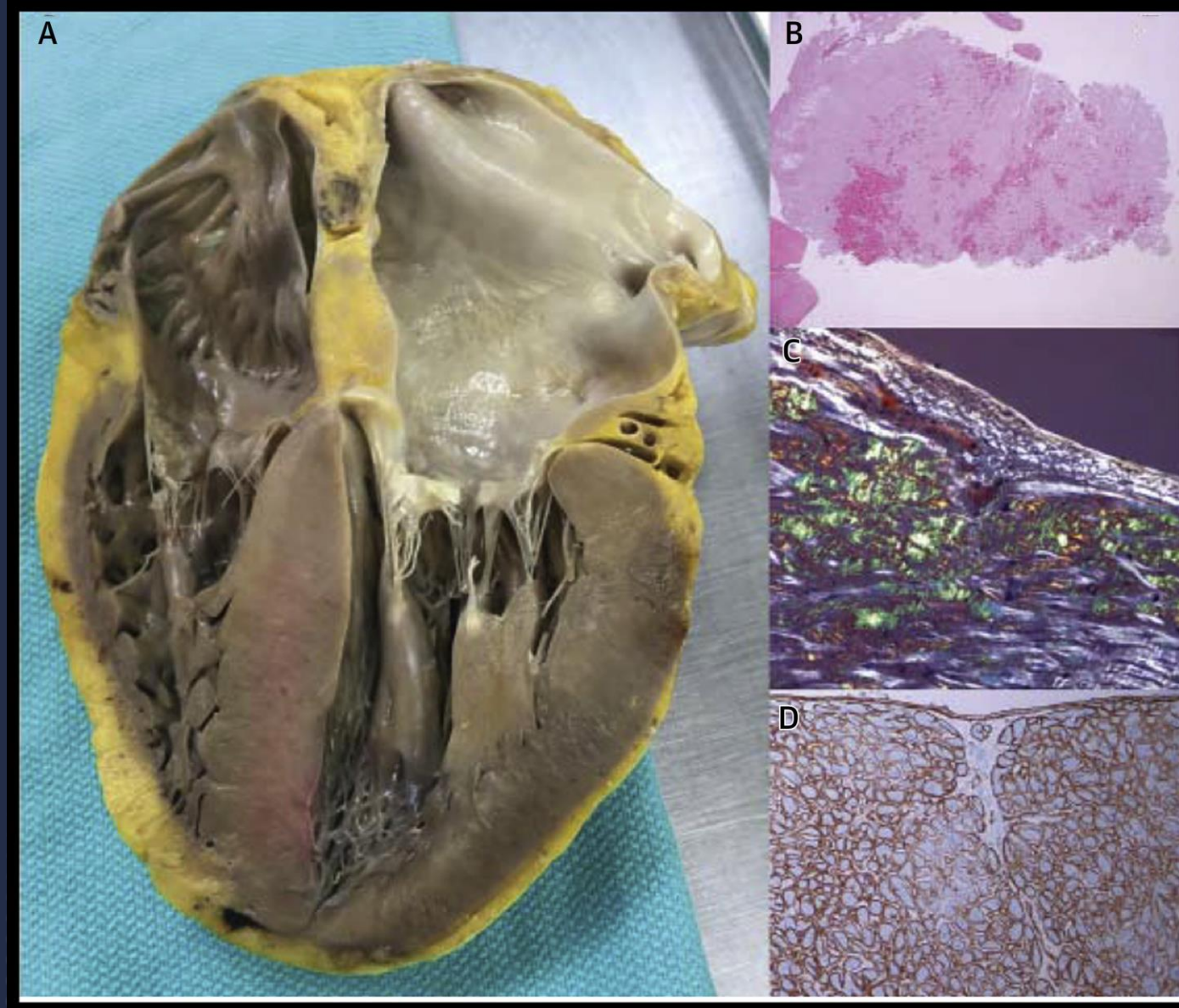
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	Hereditary (hATTR-CM)	Wild-Type (wtATTR-CM)
Age of onset	Variable (30–80 yrs) dependent on the mutation	Average 75 yrs, usually >60 yrs
TTR genotype	Abnormal, single nucleotide mutation	Normal
Heritability	Autosomal dominant (50% chance of passage to offspring)	Not known to be heritable
Predominant countries of origin	Val122Ile: U.S., U.K., Western Africa Thr60Ala (Appalachian mutation): U.S., U.K. (predominately Northern part of Republic of Ireland) Val30Met: Sweden, Portugal, Japan Leu111Met: Denmark Ile68Leu: Italy	No known geographic disparities
Prevalence	Val122Ile genotype: 3.4% of African Americans Thr60Ala genotype: ~1% of Northern part of Republic of Ireland	Up to 25% with wtATTR deposits at autopsy 13% in hospitalized HFpEF with wall thickness >12 mm 6%–16% of patients undergoing AVR possibly 1%–3% >75 yrs of age
Median survival after diagnosis without treatment	~2.5 yrs* (Val122Ile)	~3.5 yrs*

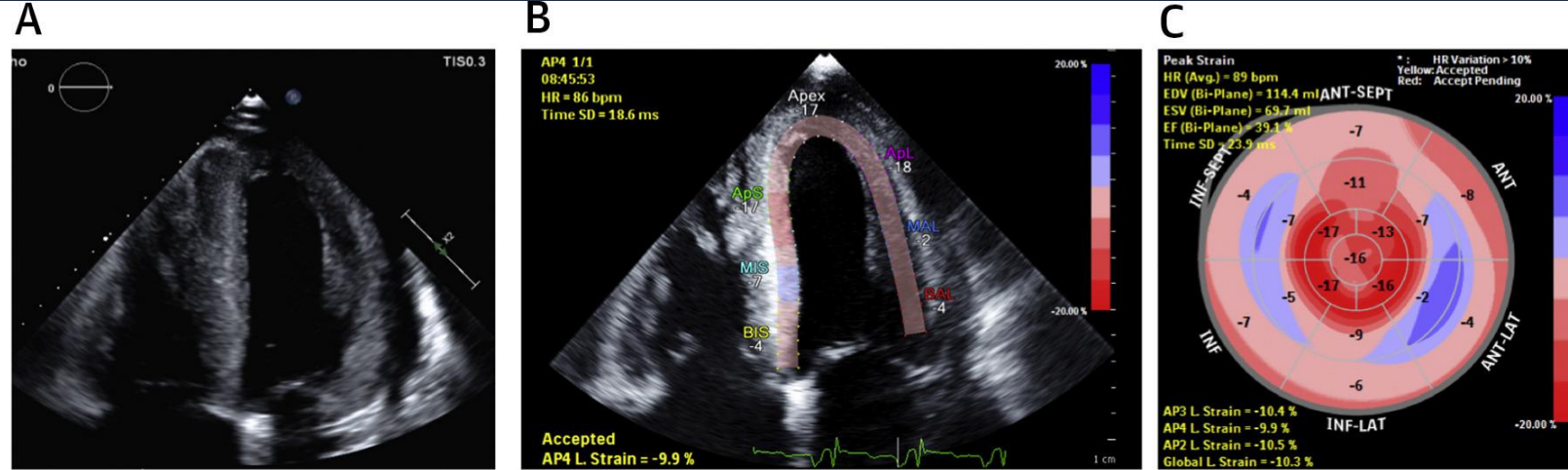
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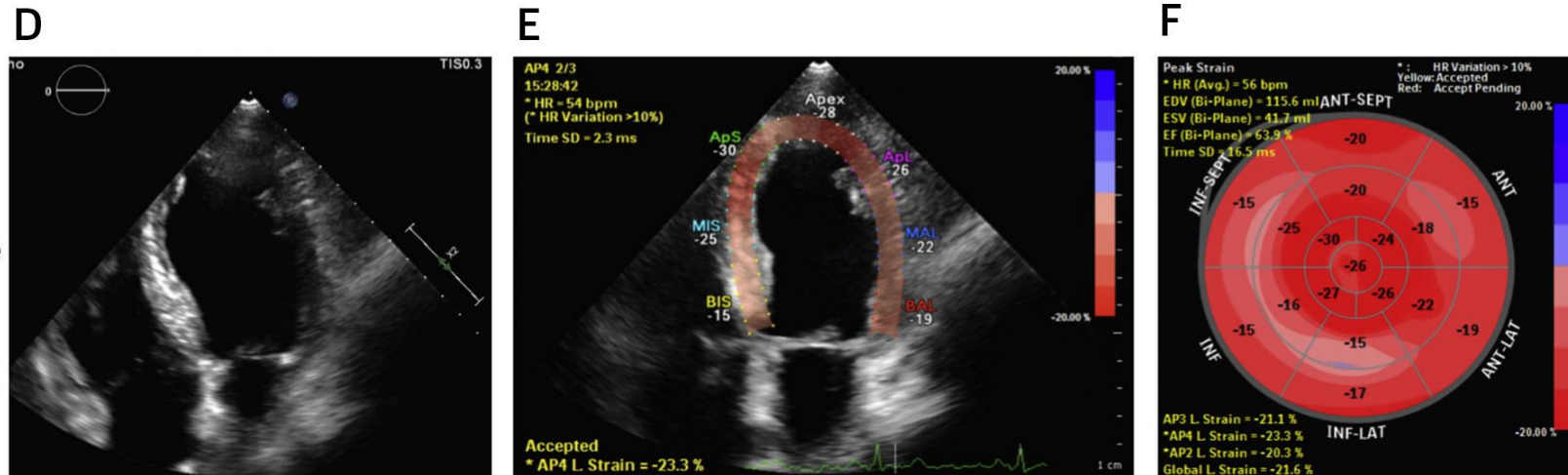
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Echocardiography for ATTR-Amyloidosis

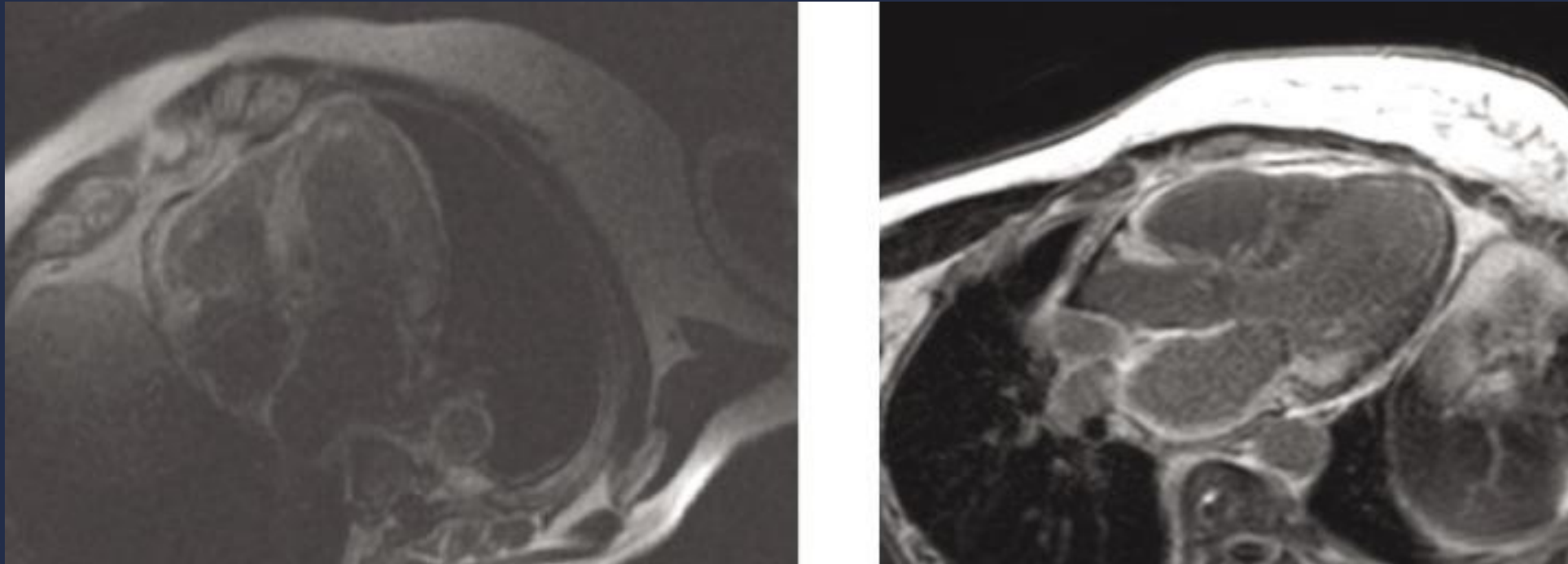
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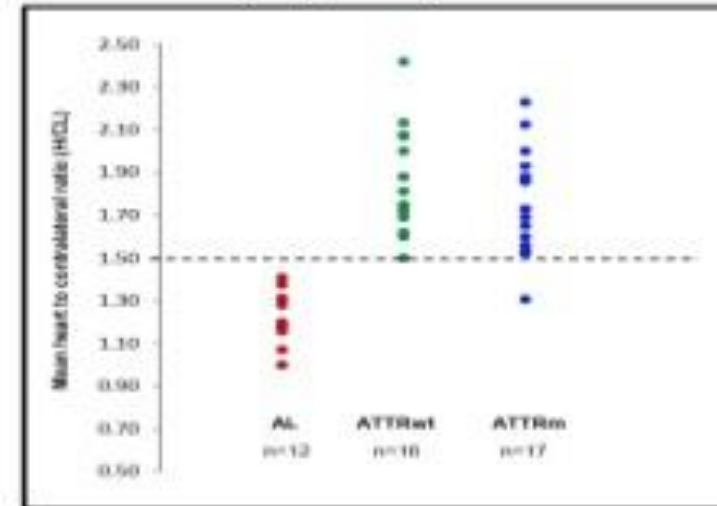
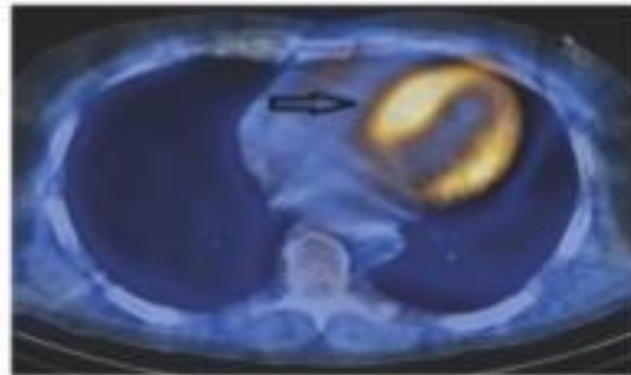
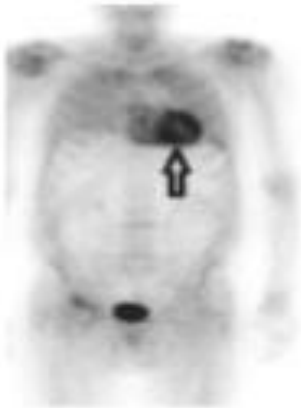
cMRI for ATTR-Amyloidosis



Tc-99m PYP Scan for ATTR-Amyloidosis

NUCLEAR IMAGING: SELECTIVE FOR TTR

- Tc-99m Bone avid compounds
 - Pyrophosphate (PYP) and DPD
 - May preferentially identify TTR amyloid cardiomyopathy



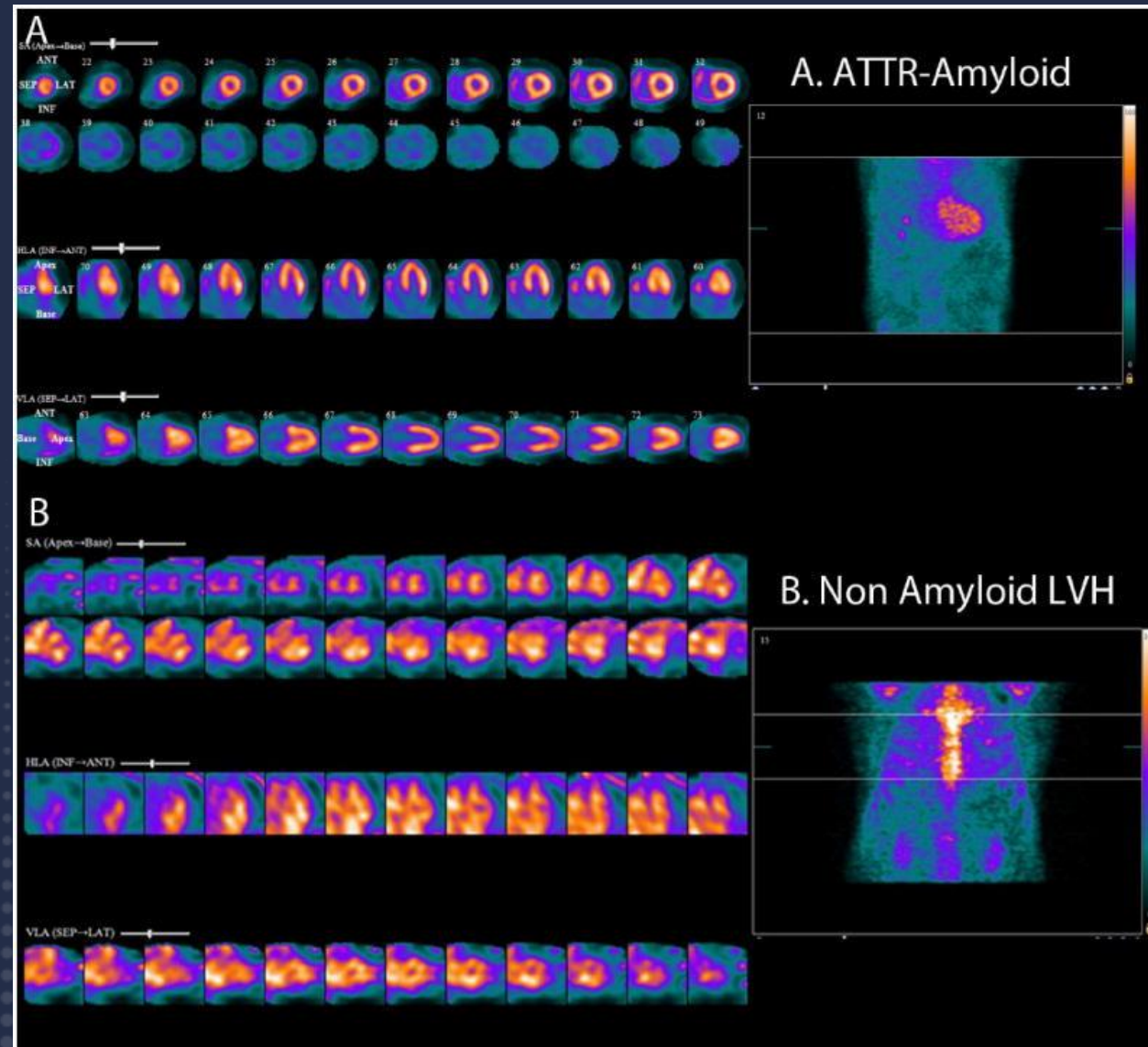
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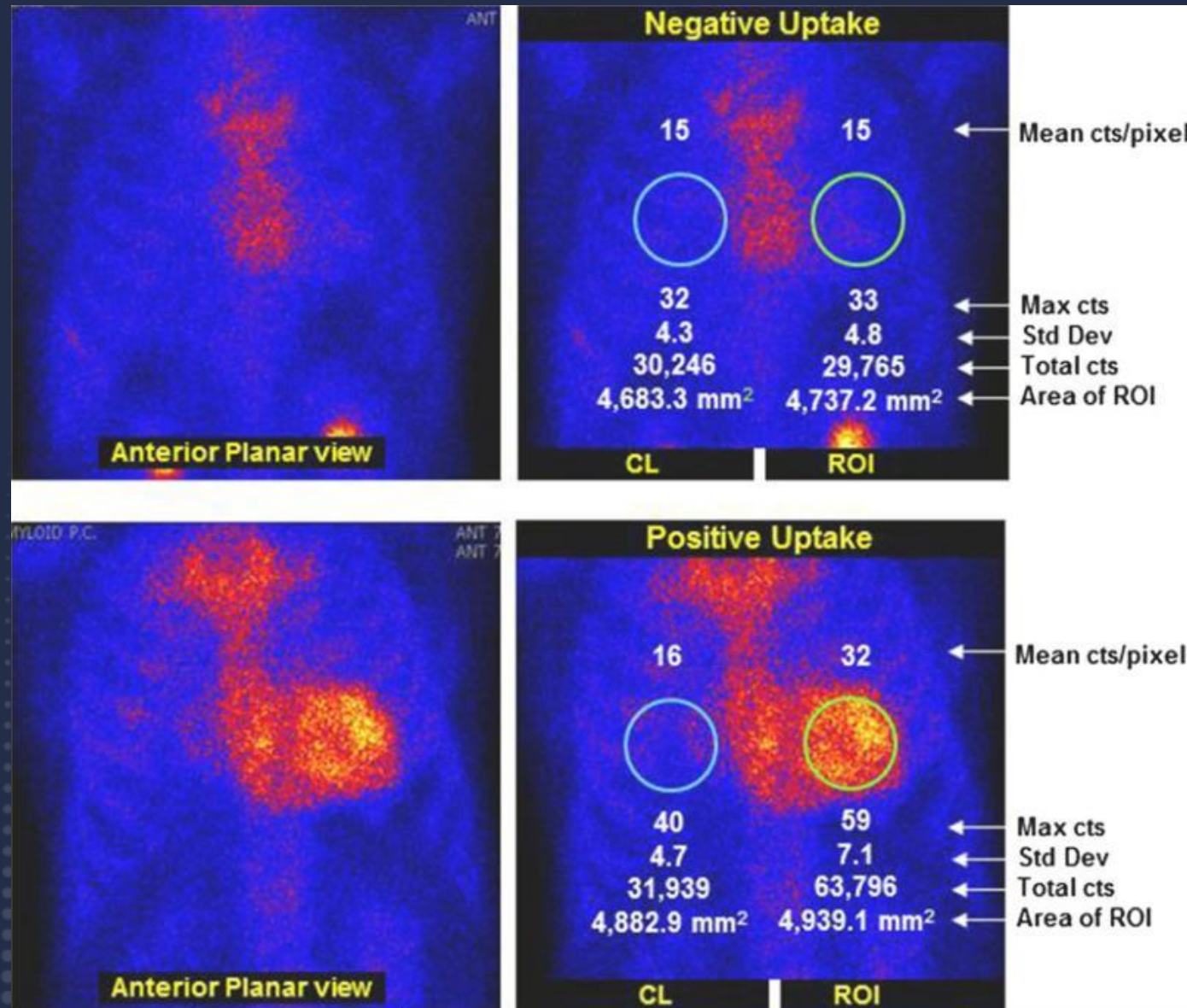
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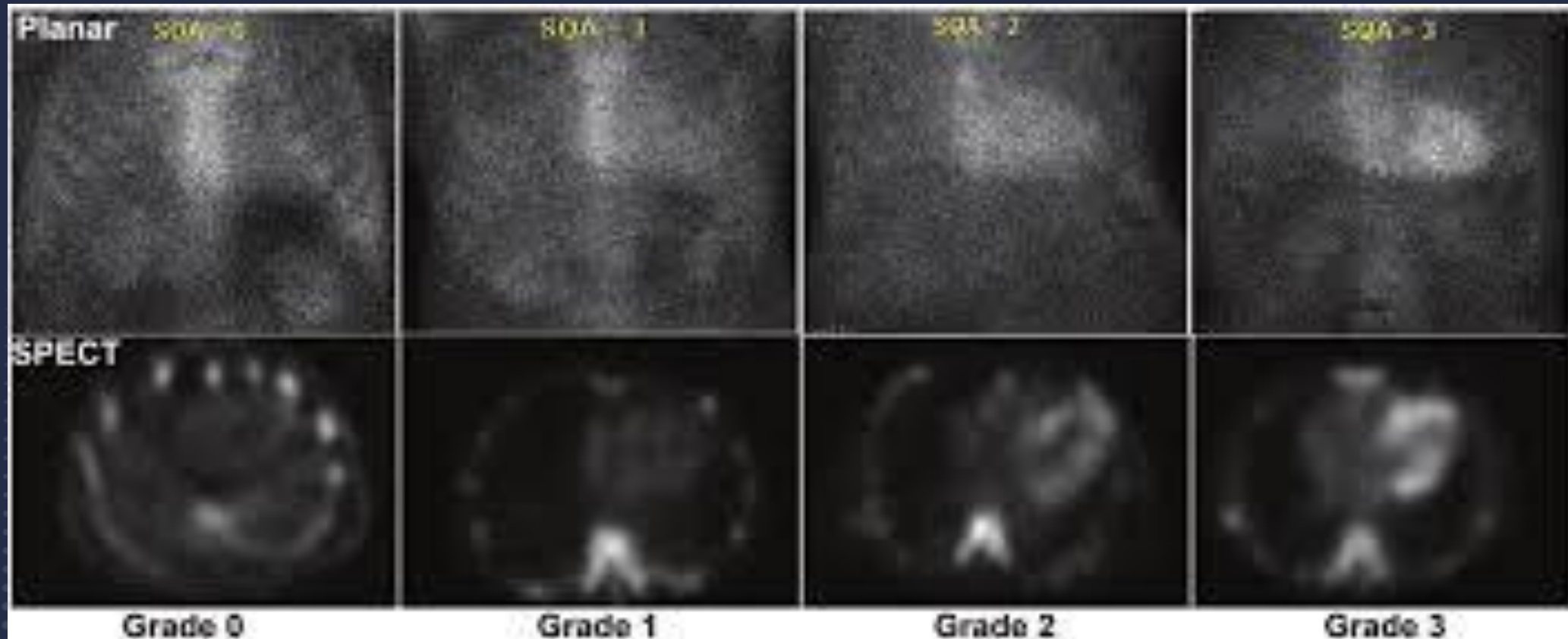


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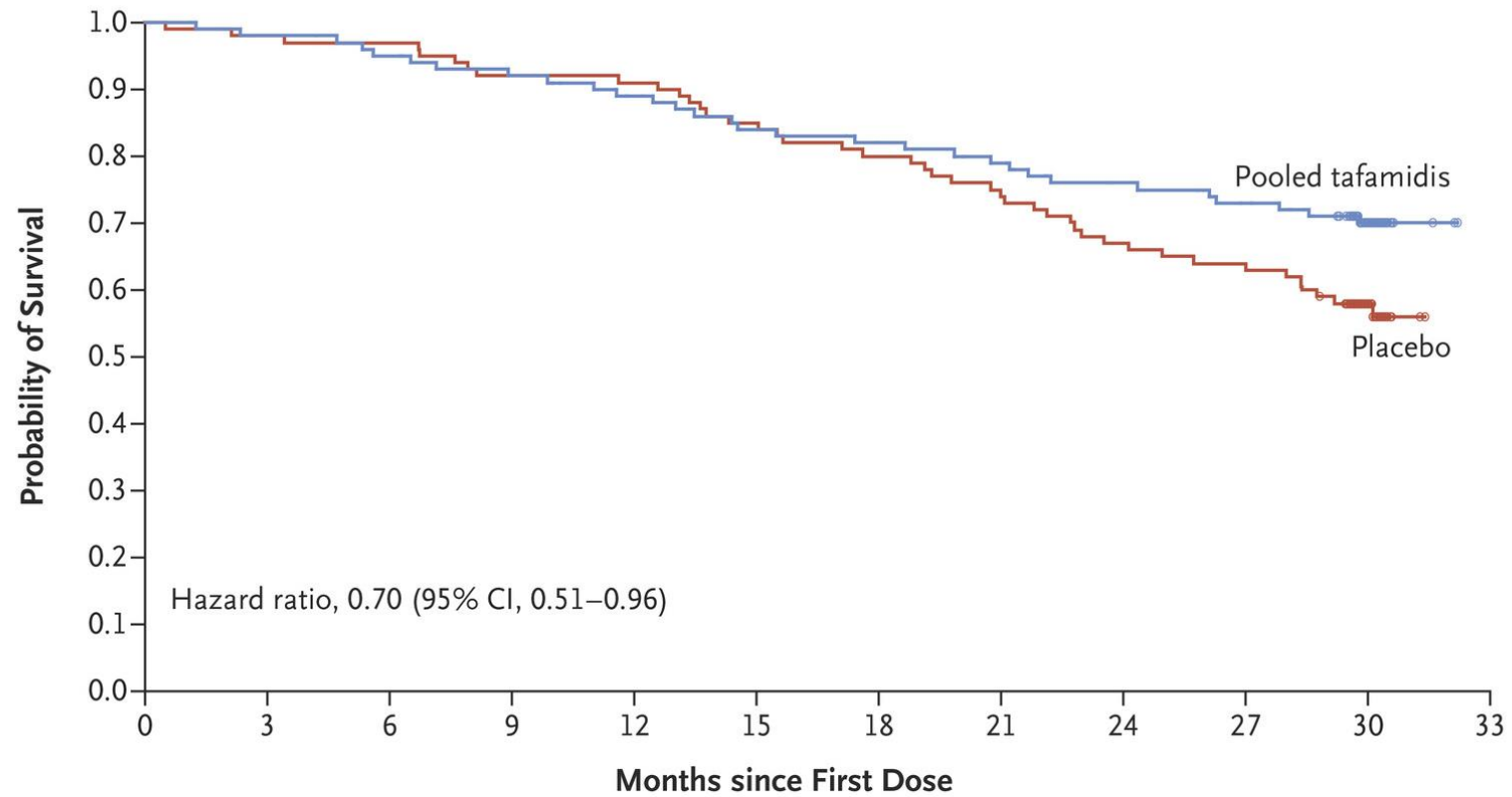
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ATTR-ACT Trial

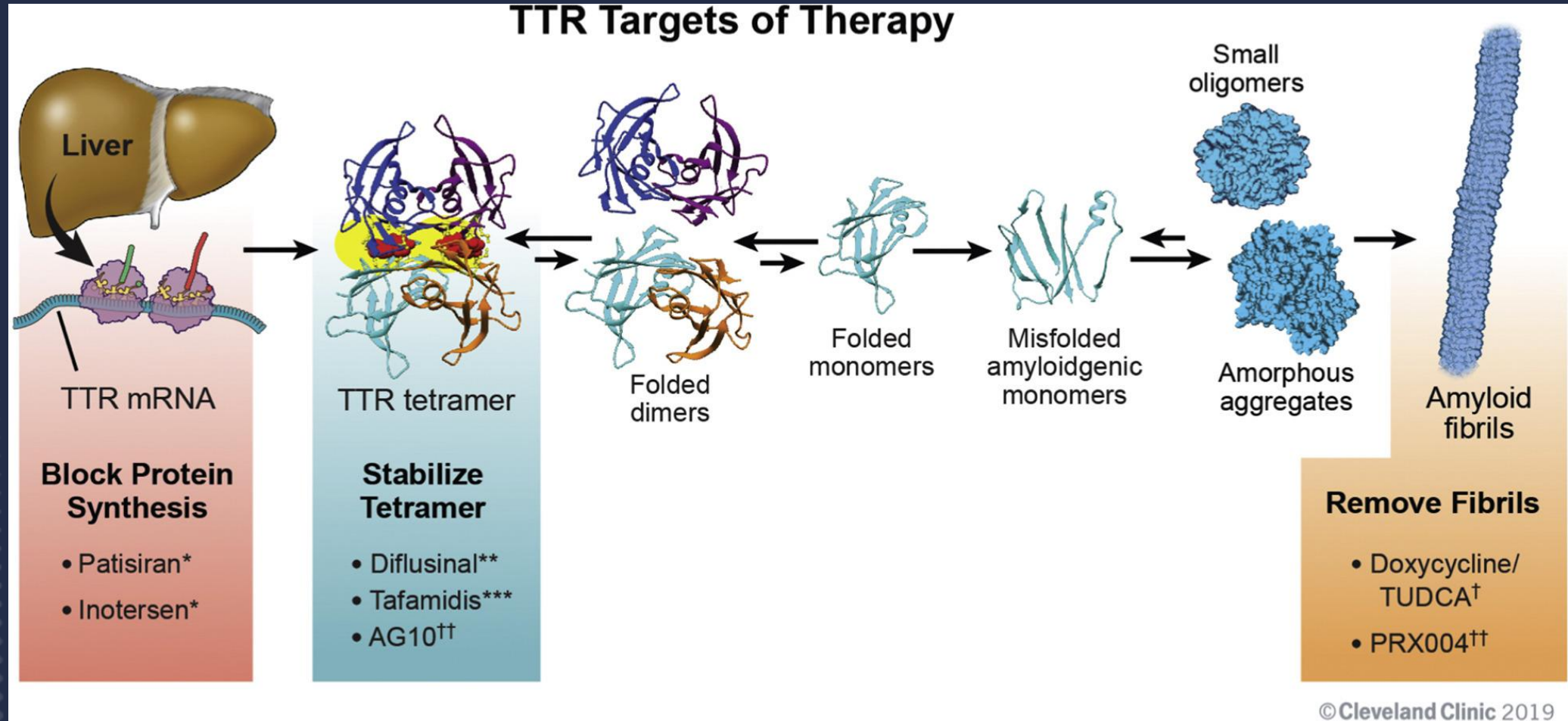
B Analysis of All-Cause Mortality



No. at Risk (cumulative no. of events)

Pooled tafamidis	264 (0)	259 (5)	252 (12)	244 (20)	235 (29)	222 (42)	216 (48)	209 (55)	200 (64)	193 (71)	99 (78)	0 (78)
Placebo	177 (0)	173 (4)	171 (6)	163 (14)	161 (16)	150 (27)	141 (36)	131 (46)	118 (59)	113 (64)	51 (75)	0 (76)

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Conclusions

- Heart Failure is a growing epidemic with high morbidity and mortality that will only increase in prevalence as our population ages
- Non-invasive evaluation of left ventricular function has strong prognostic significance, but can be fraught with error and misrepresentation
- Newer techniques for quantifying left ventricular function, including strain echocardiography, offer new opportunities to detect heart disease prior to clinical events
- cMRI is not only a powerful tool for quantifying chamber size/function, but its ability to characterize myocardial tissue has expanded our diagnostic repertoire
- Novel imaging techniques and increased disease recognition, along with new medical therapies, have changed the landscape in amyloid heart disease



Questions and Comments

Thank You