

Chest Pain in the Emergency Room: Which Test for Which Patient?

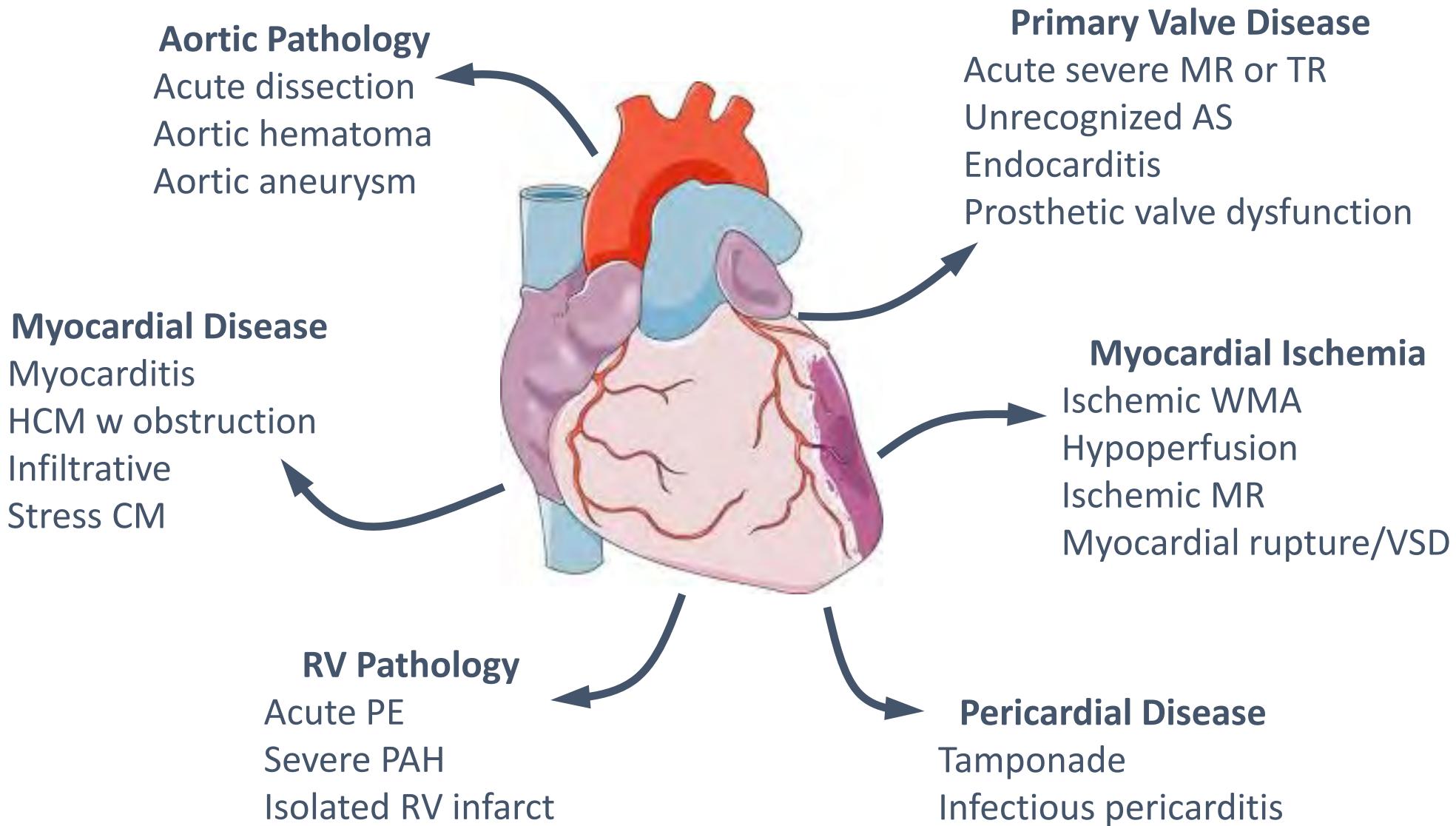


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Diverse Etiologies of Acute Chest Pain



TTE for Acute Chest Pain

Role of Echocardiography

- Rapid and reliable diagnosis or exclusion of ACS or other serious disease
- Identification of high-risk features of a suspected or known condition
- Assessing for complications of ischemia, dissection, etc.
- Good all-around for other causes (aortic, valve, myocarditis, pericardial, etc.)

Why Echocardiography?

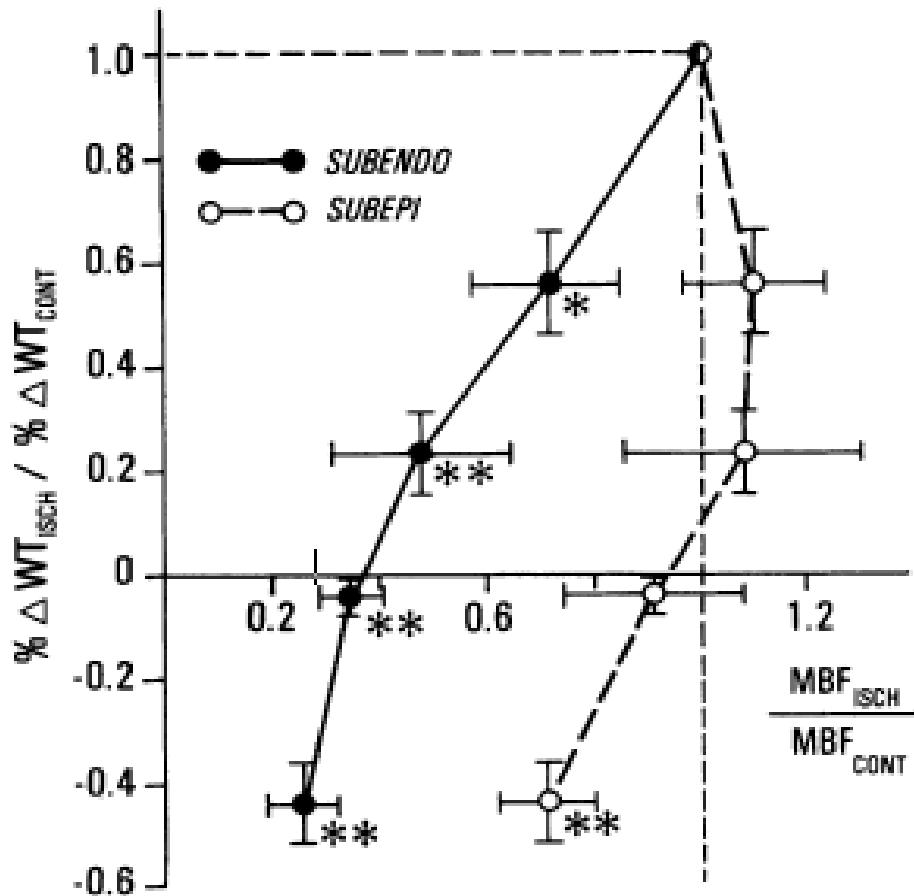
- Portable
- Information immediately available to the care team
- Inexpensive

Limitations of Echocardiography

- Variability in the scope of training or knowledge
- Artifacts and incomplete view of certain structures (e.g. aorta)

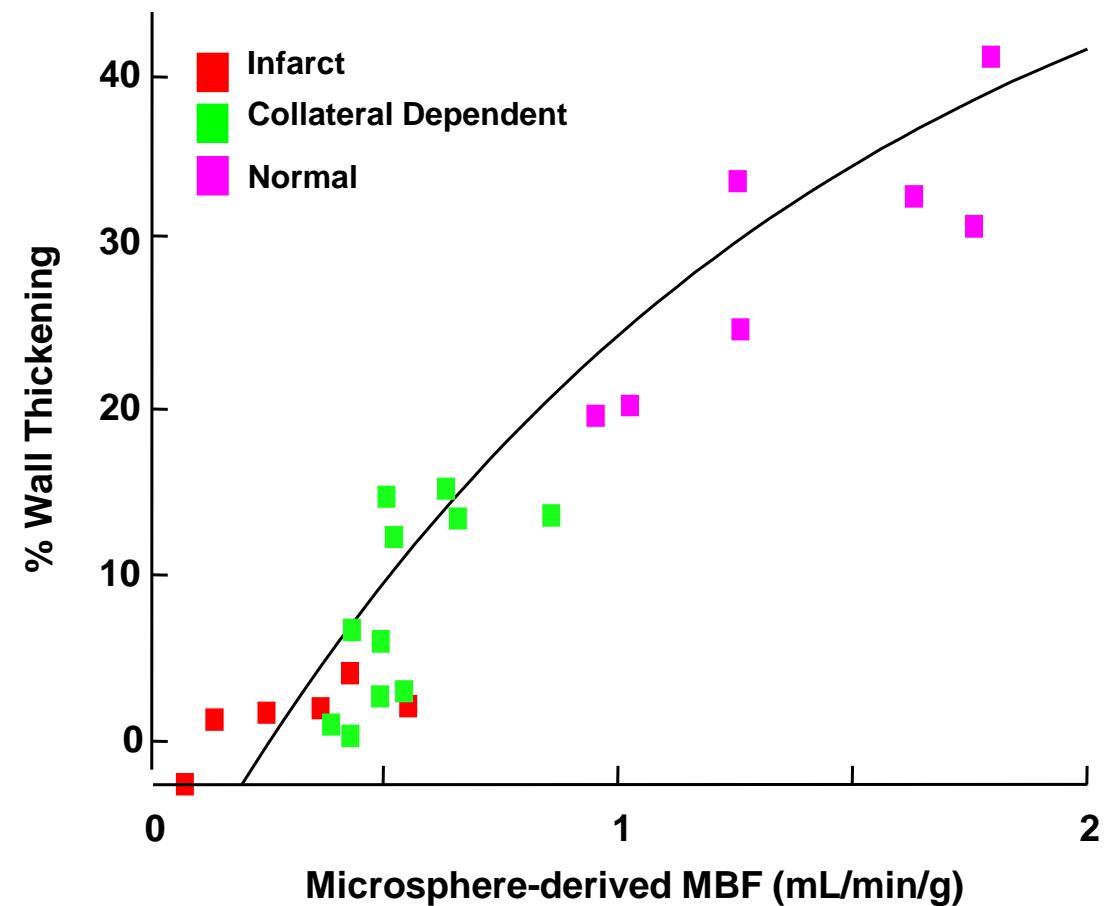
Flow-Function Relationships in Acute Ischemia

1. It doesn't take much ischemia to cause WMA



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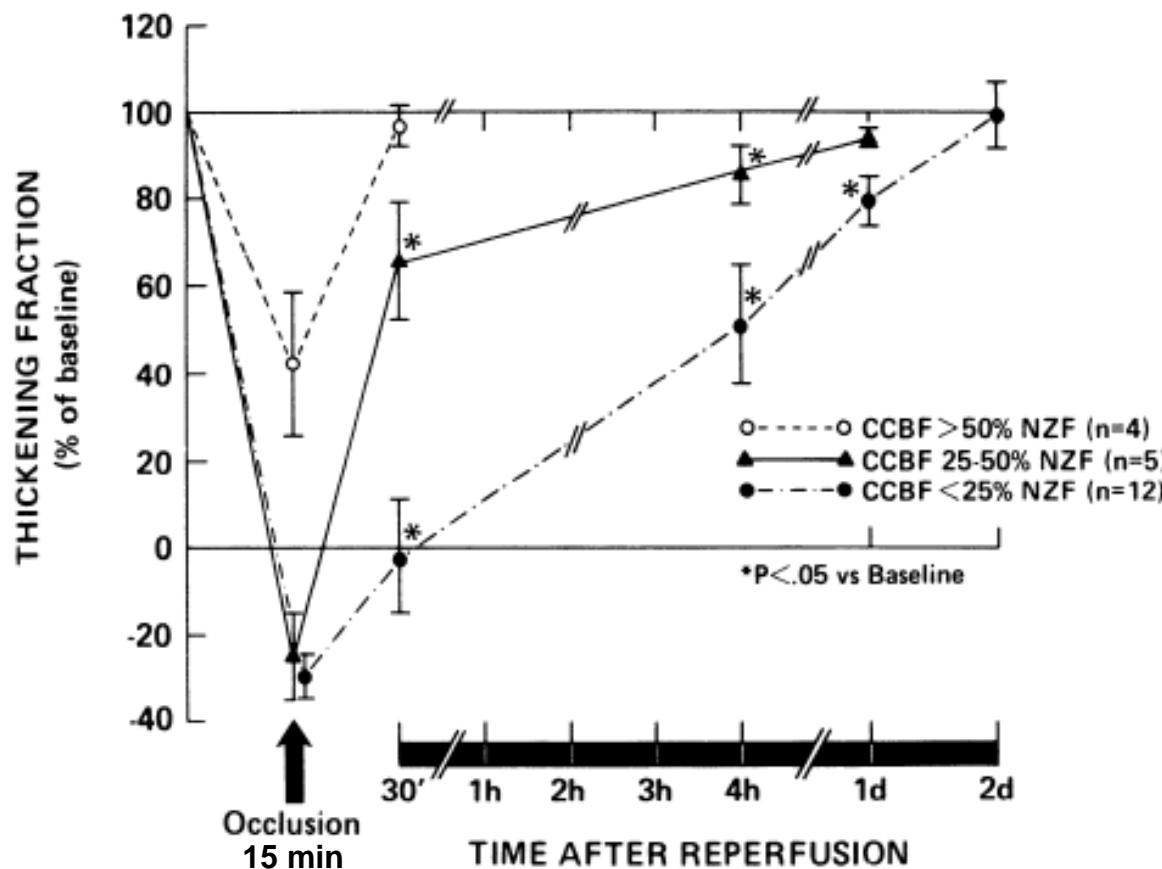
2. WMA don't necessarily indicate necrosis will occur



Leong-Poi H, et al., J Am Coll Cardiol 2005;45:565

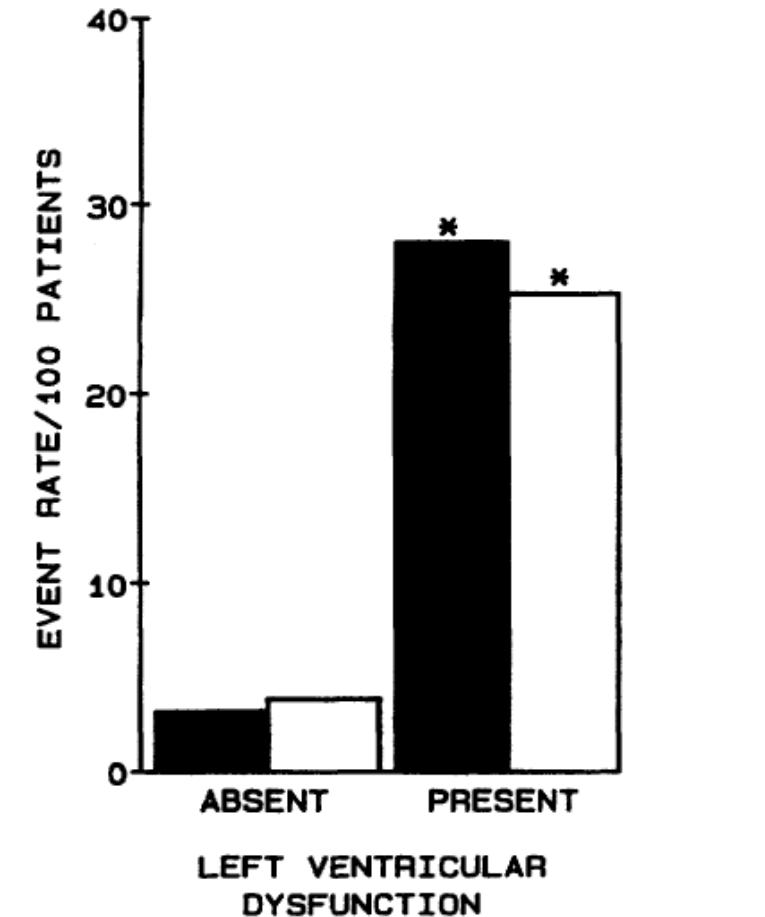
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3. Stunning depends on ischemic severity/duration



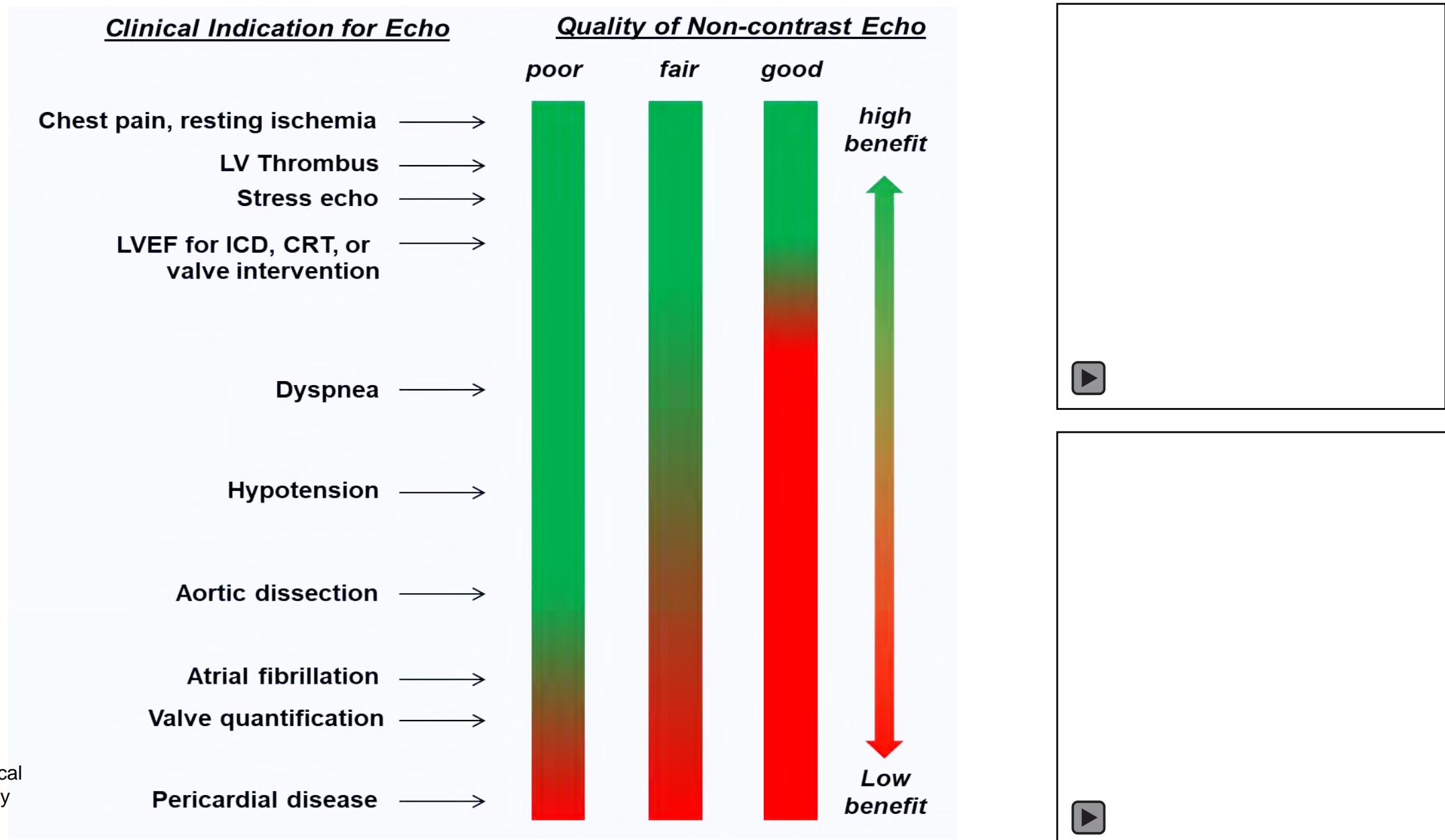
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■ UNADJUSTED
□ ADJUSTED FOR AGE AND ABNORMAL EKG

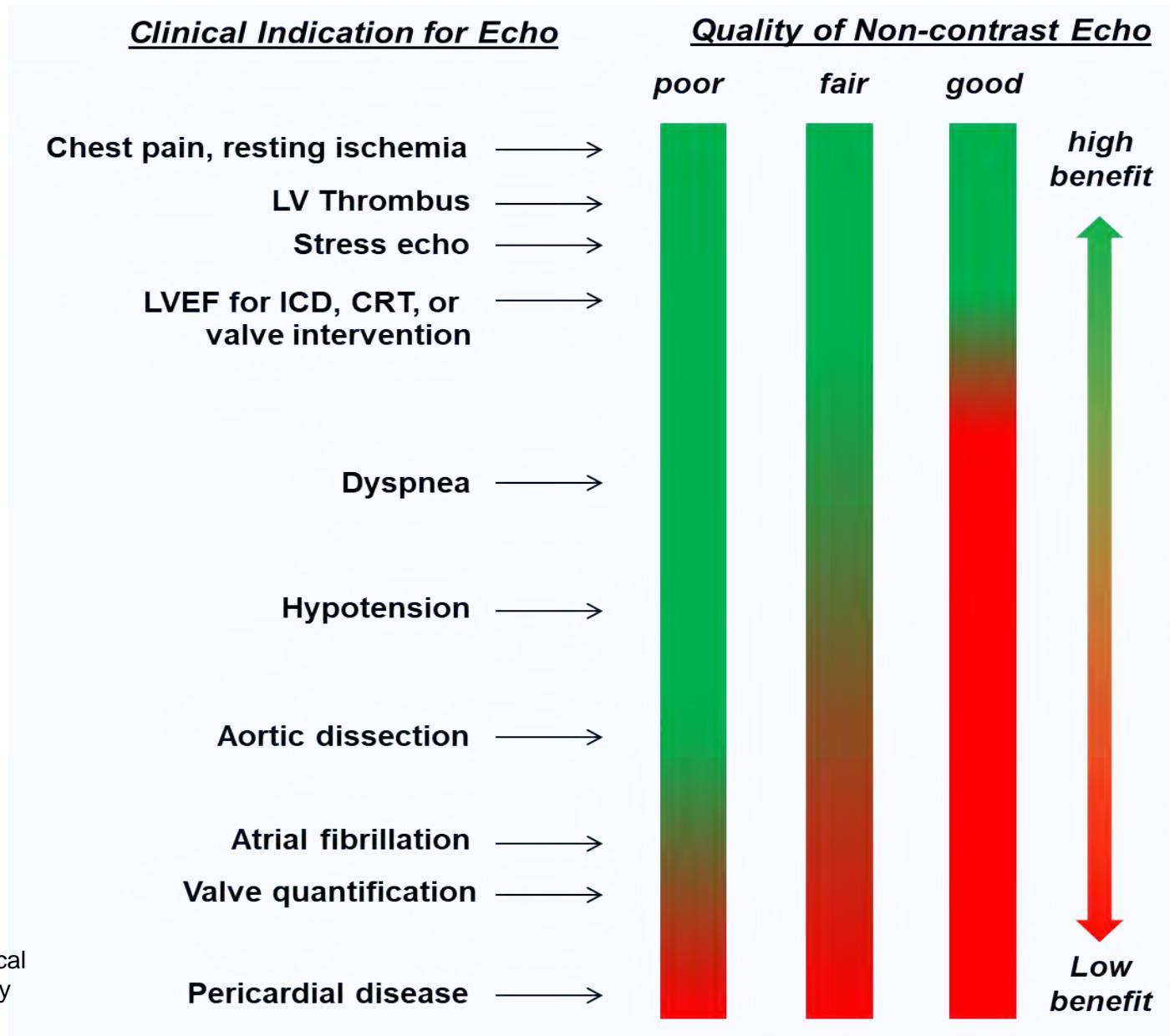


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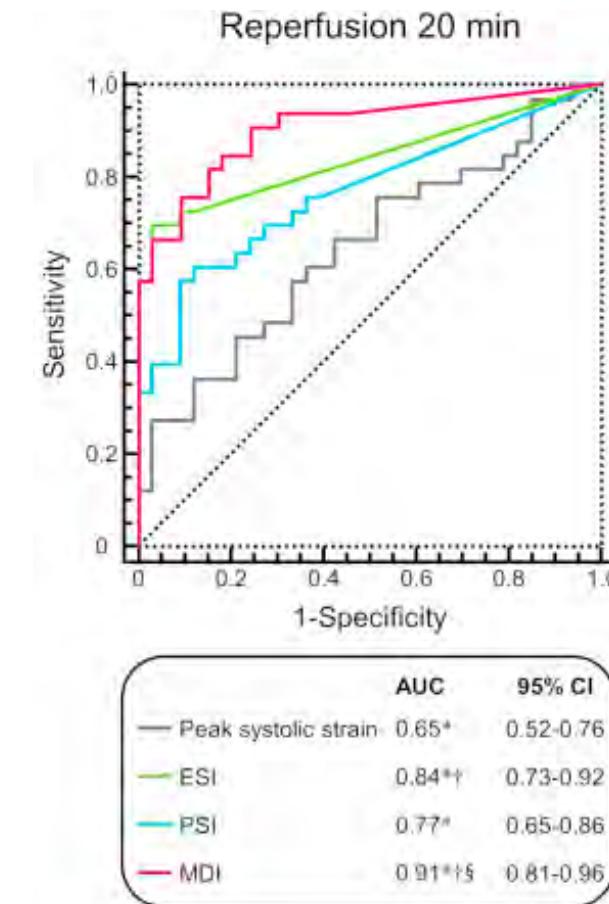
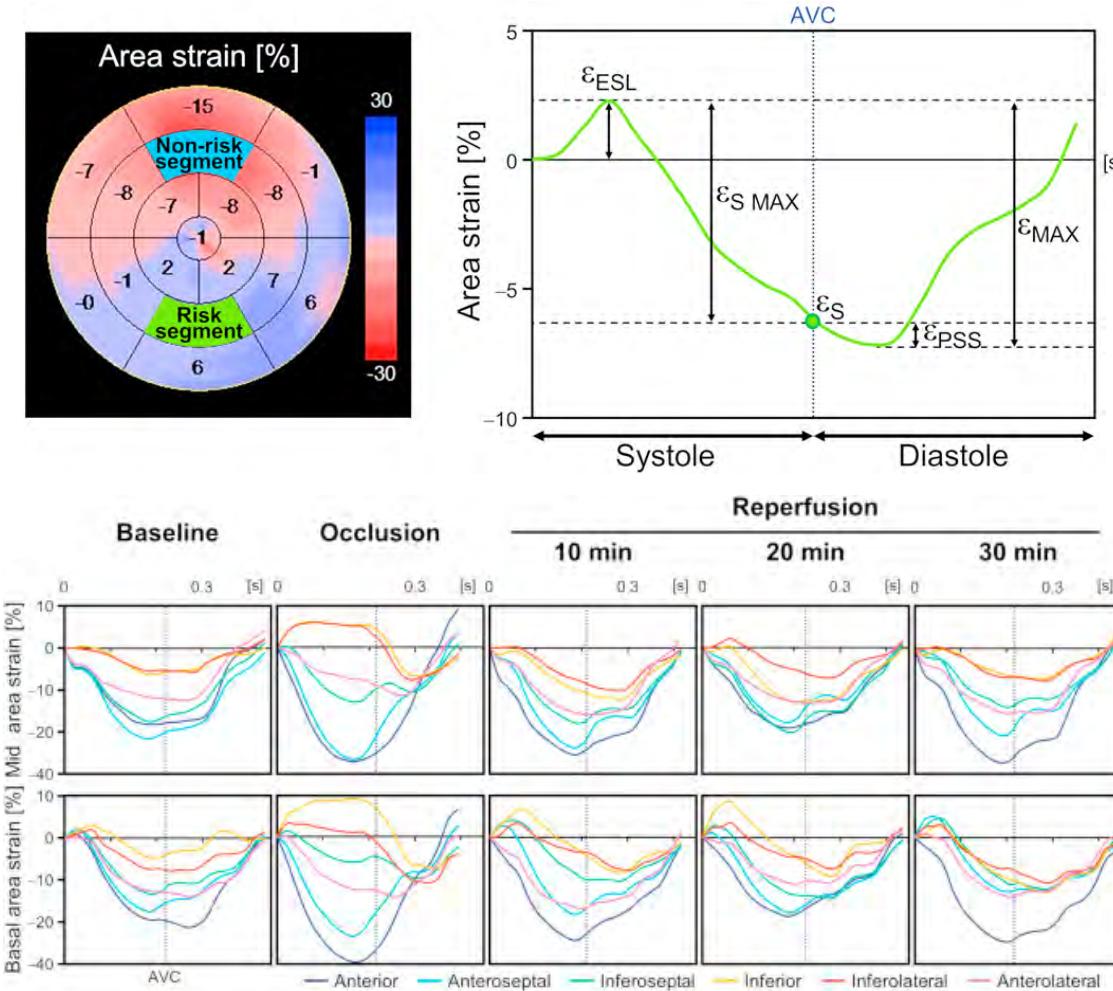
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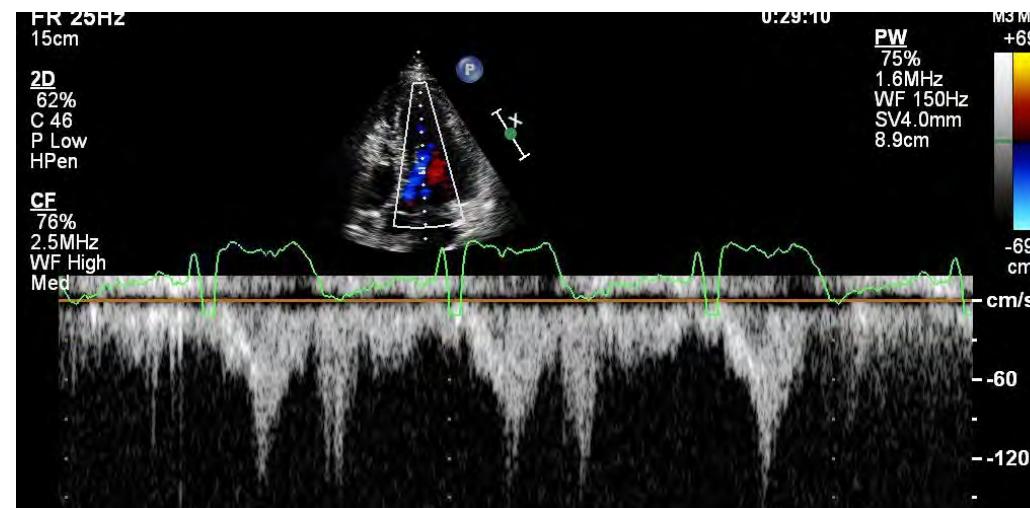
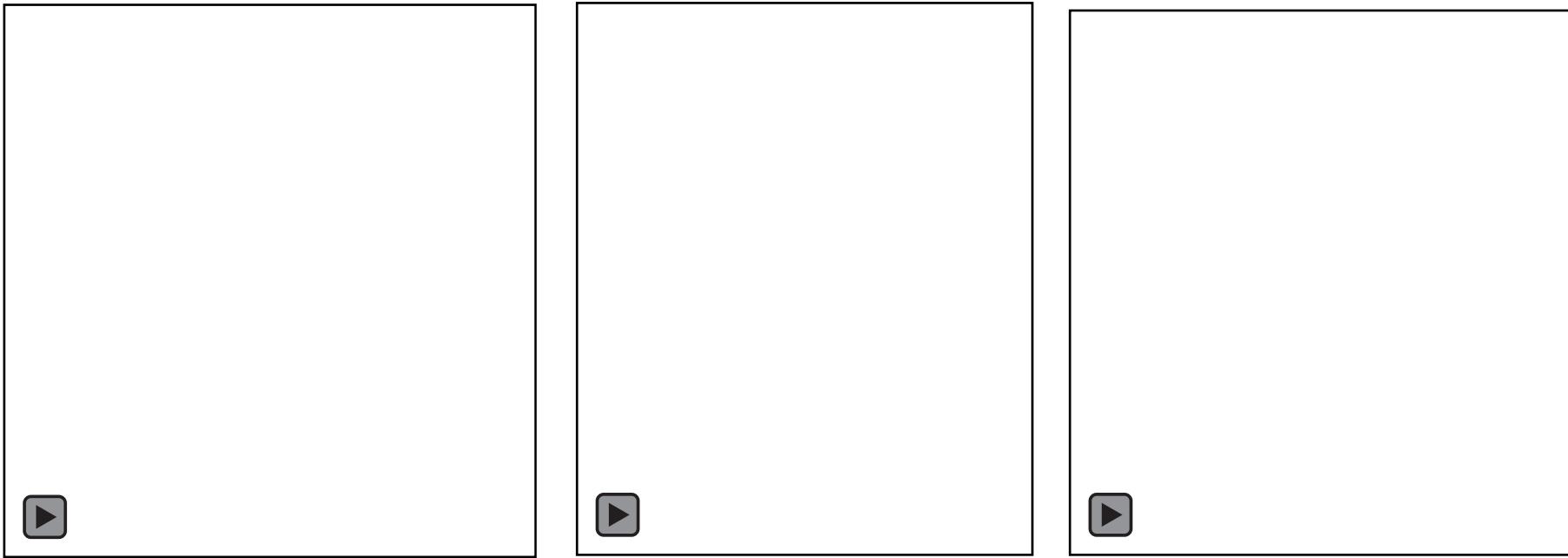
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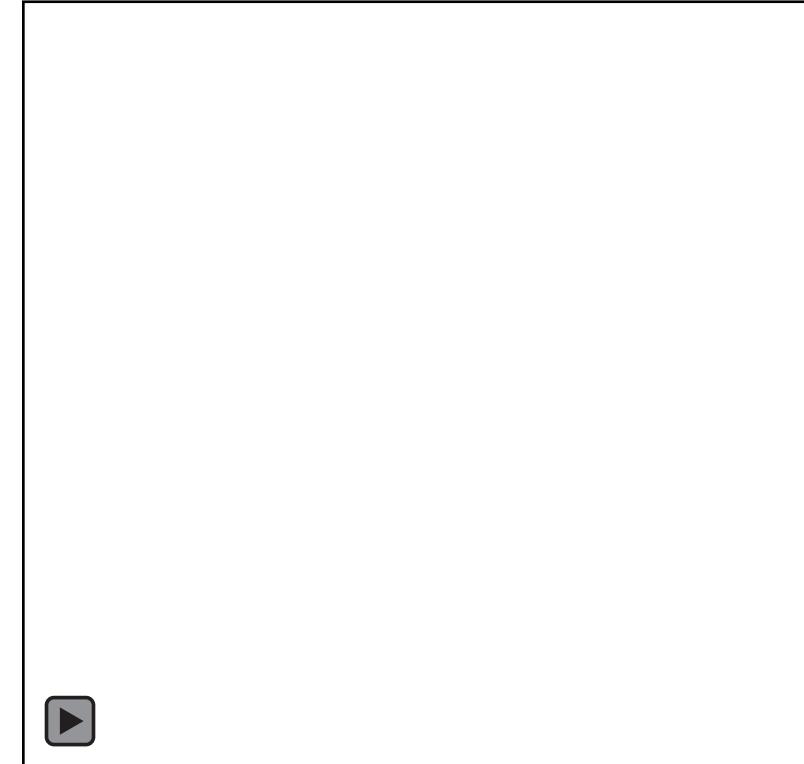
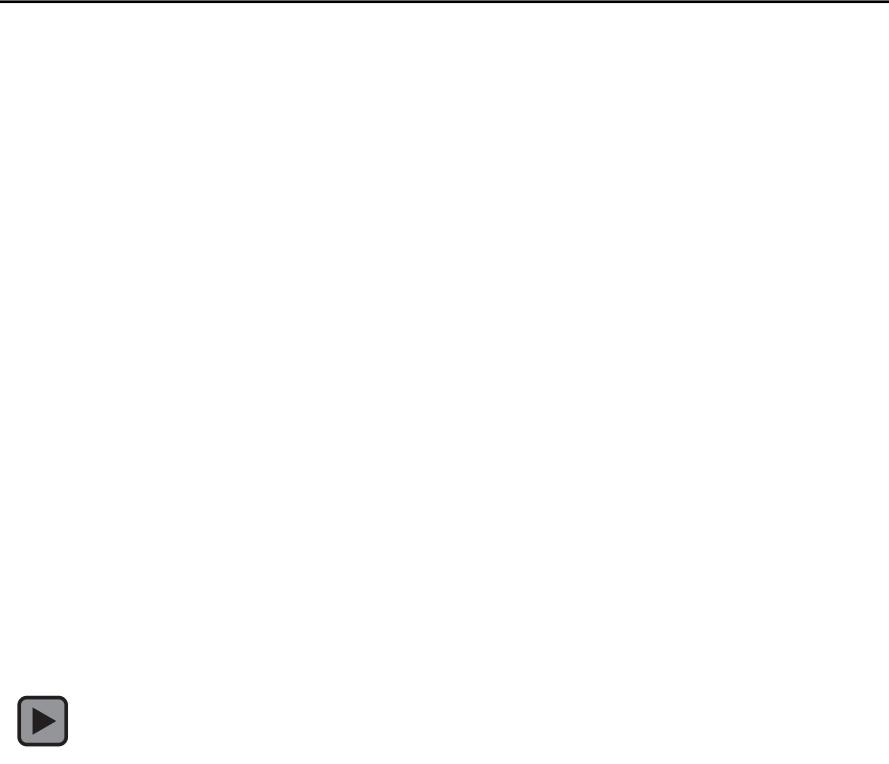
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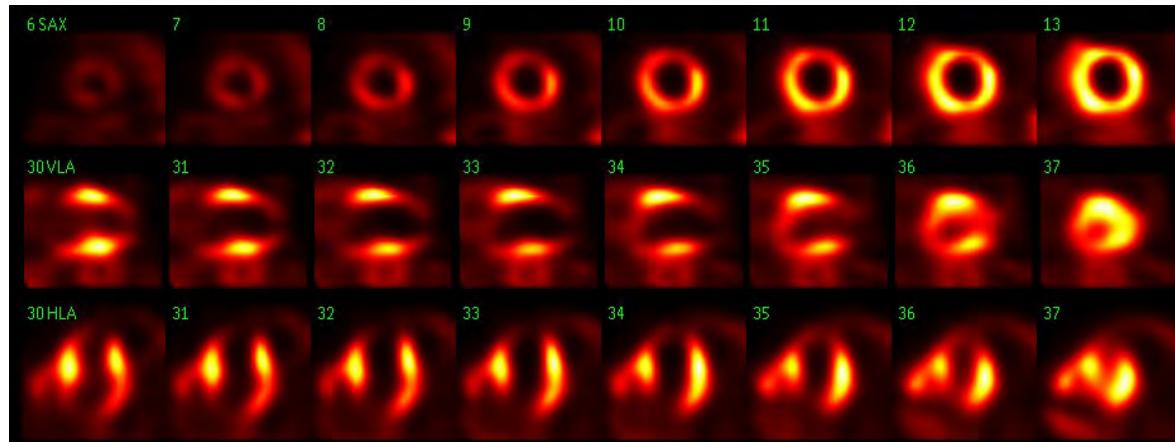
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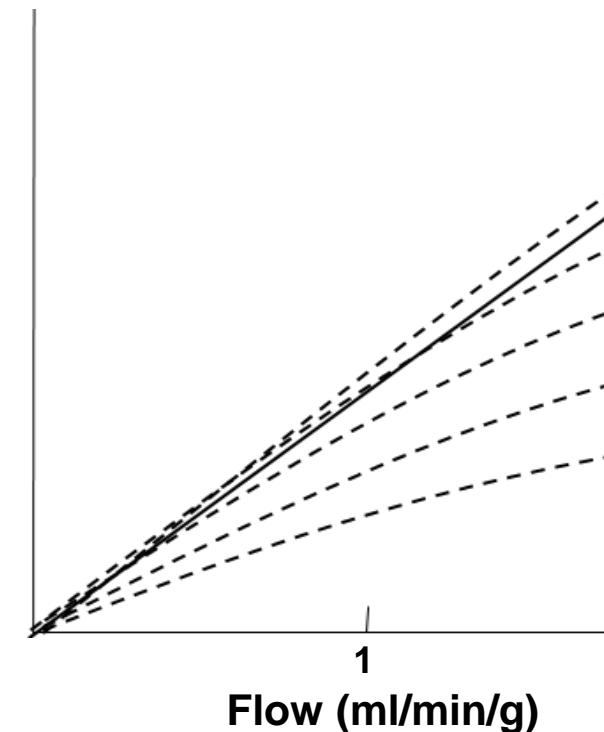
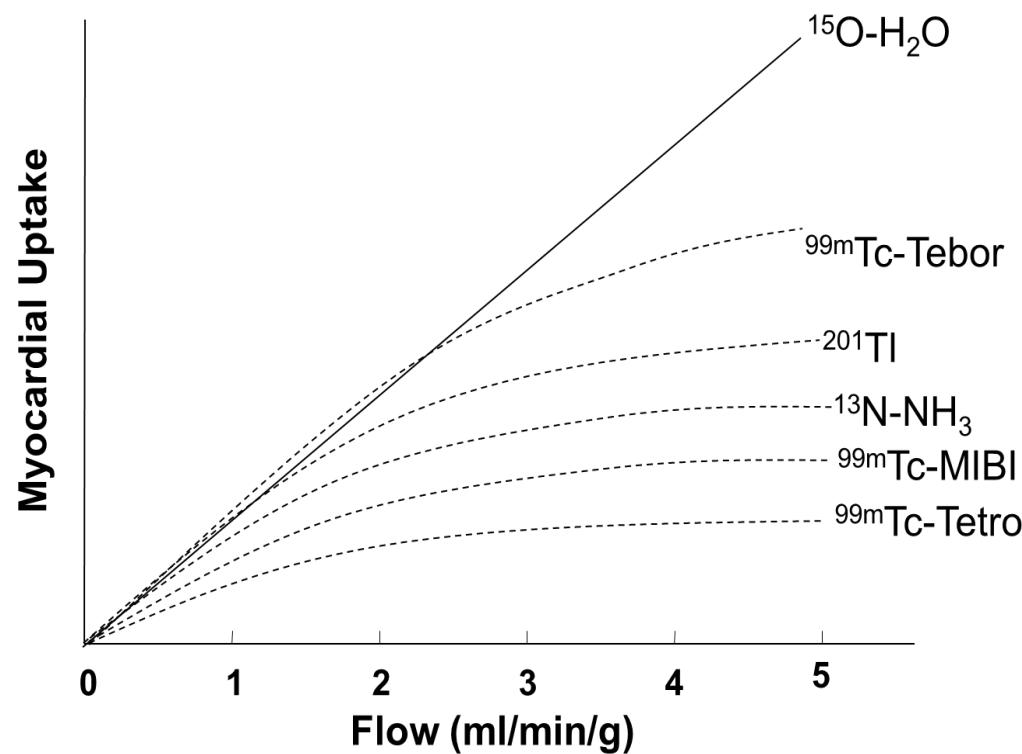
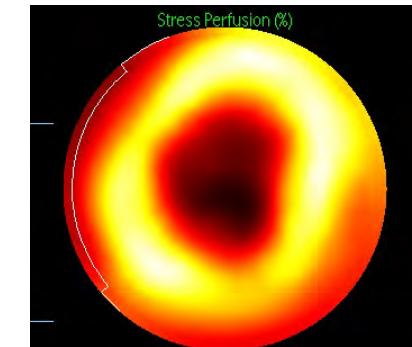
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Myocardial Perfusion in ED Patients

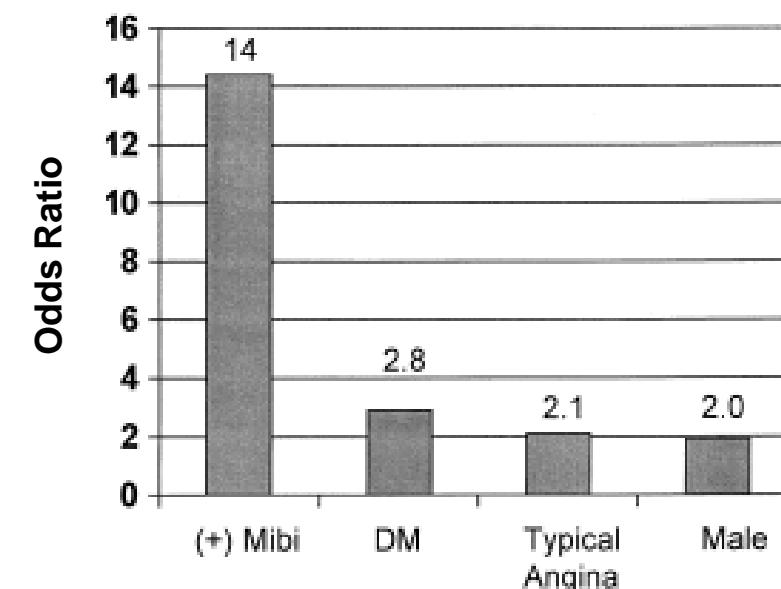
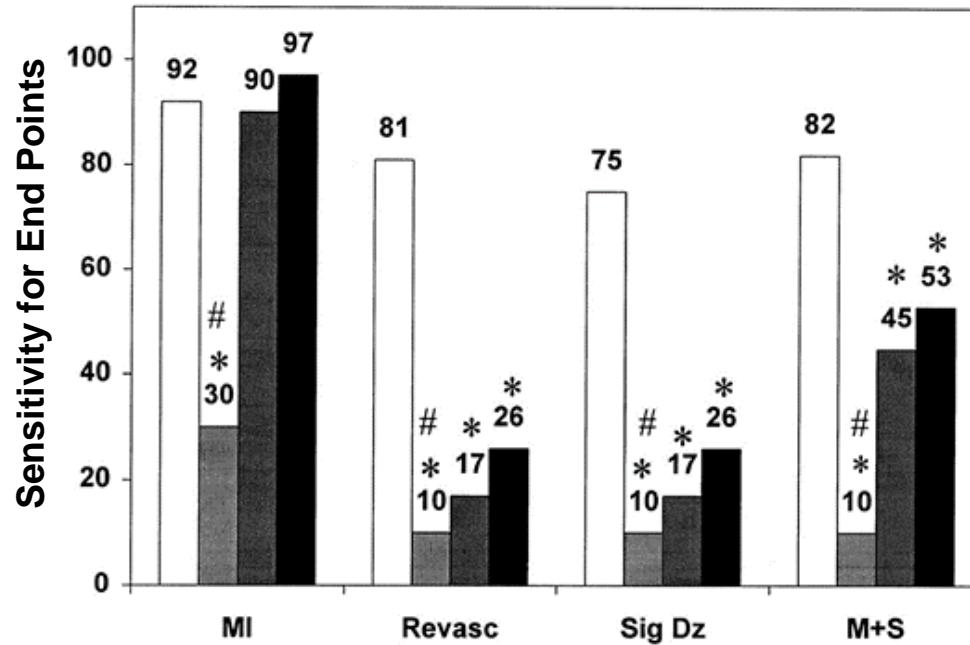


Polar Map

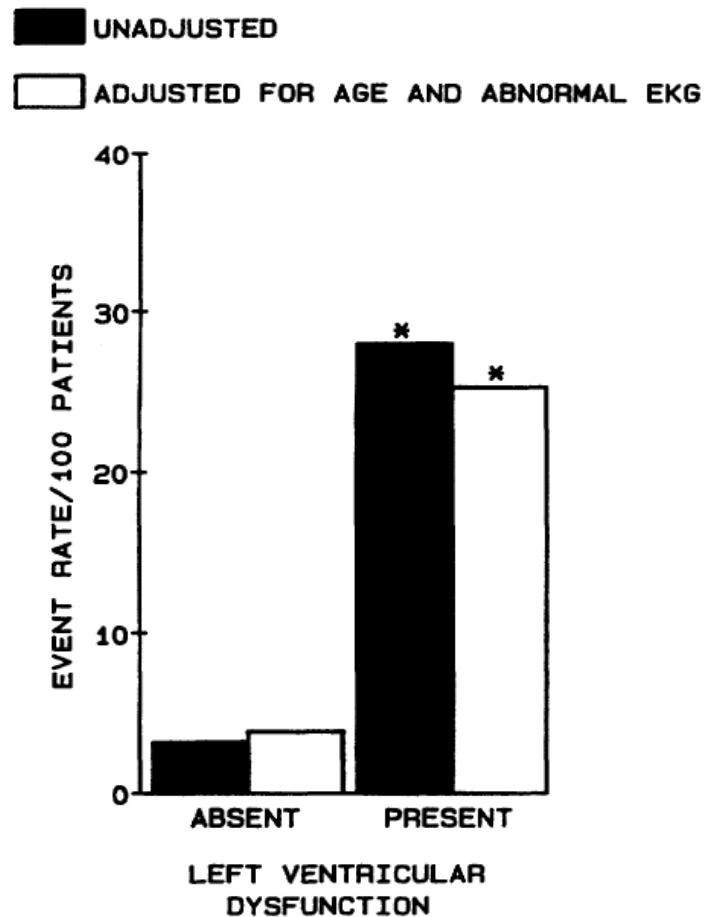


Myocardial Perfusion in ED Patients with CP

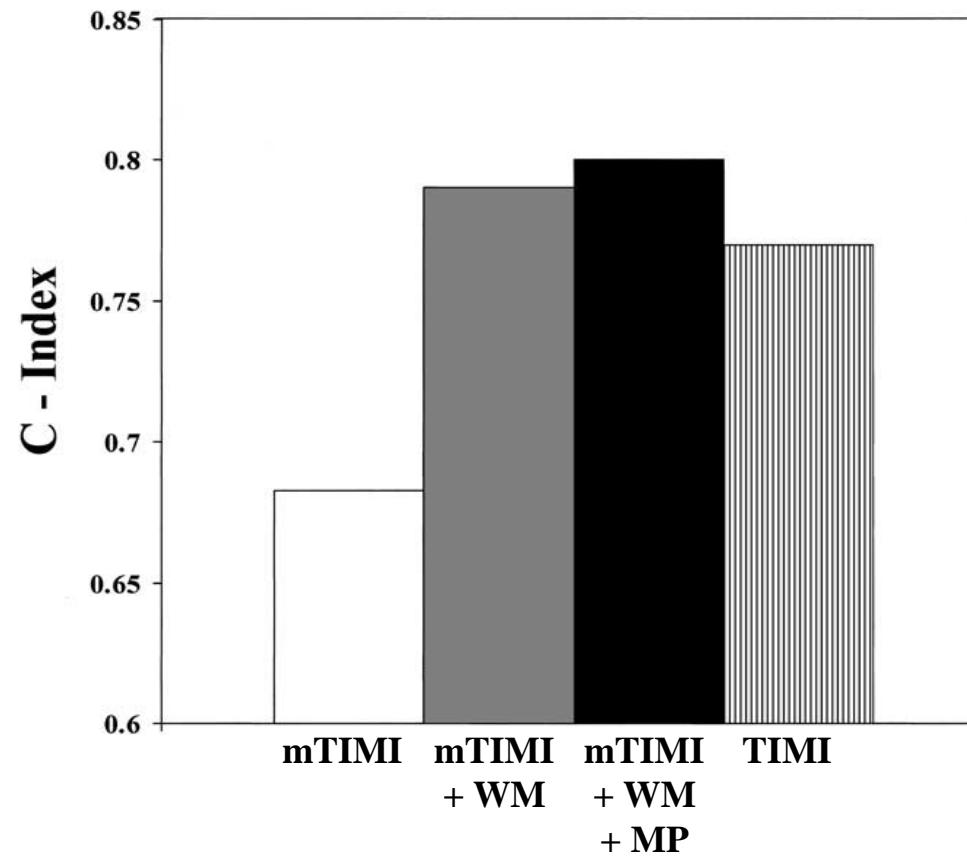
- ED presentation with CP
- Injection with ≈ 20 mCi ^{99m}Tc -MIBI during or soon after (<6 hrs) sx
- SPECT imaging 60-90 min after injection



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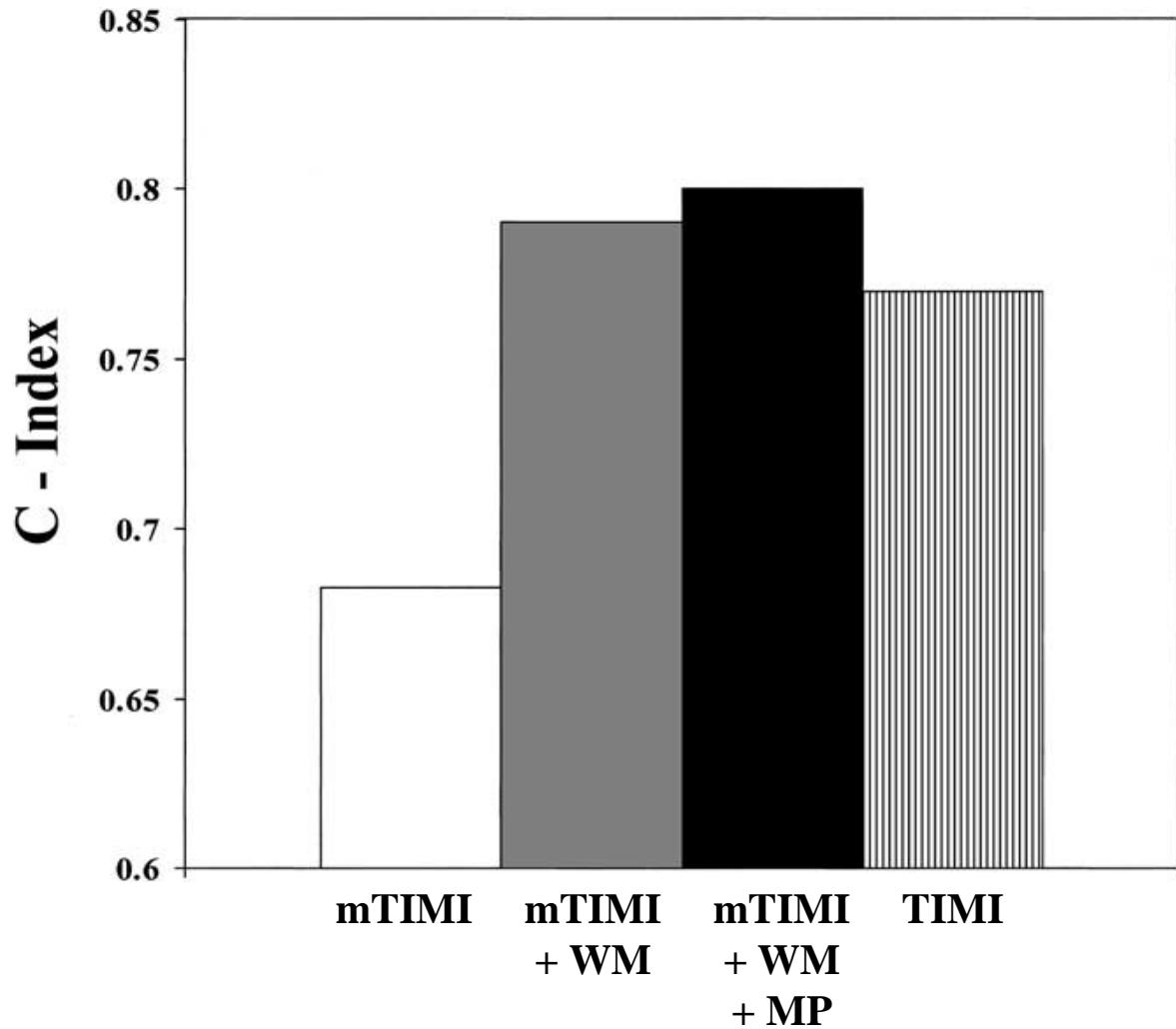
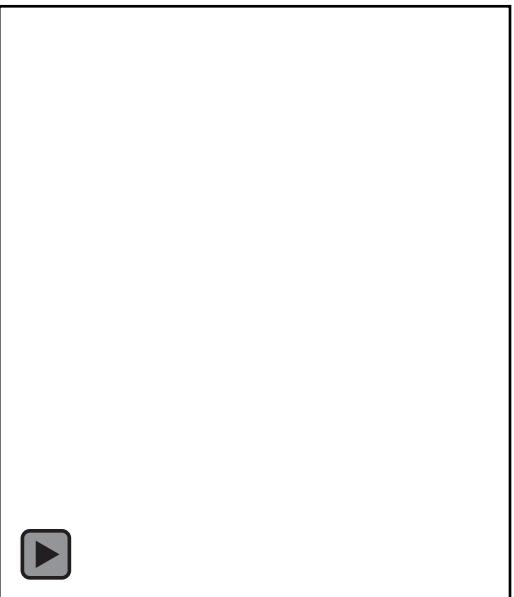
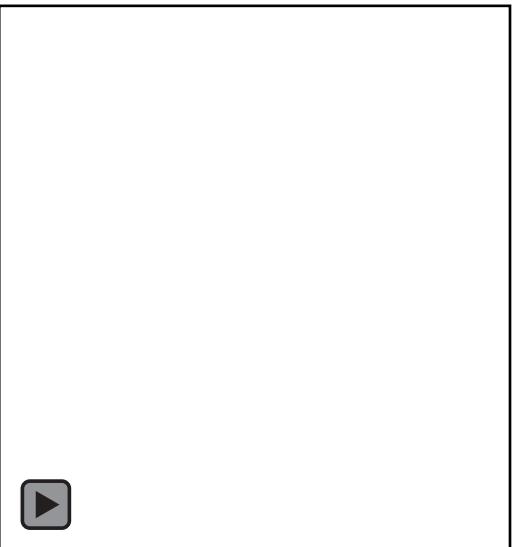


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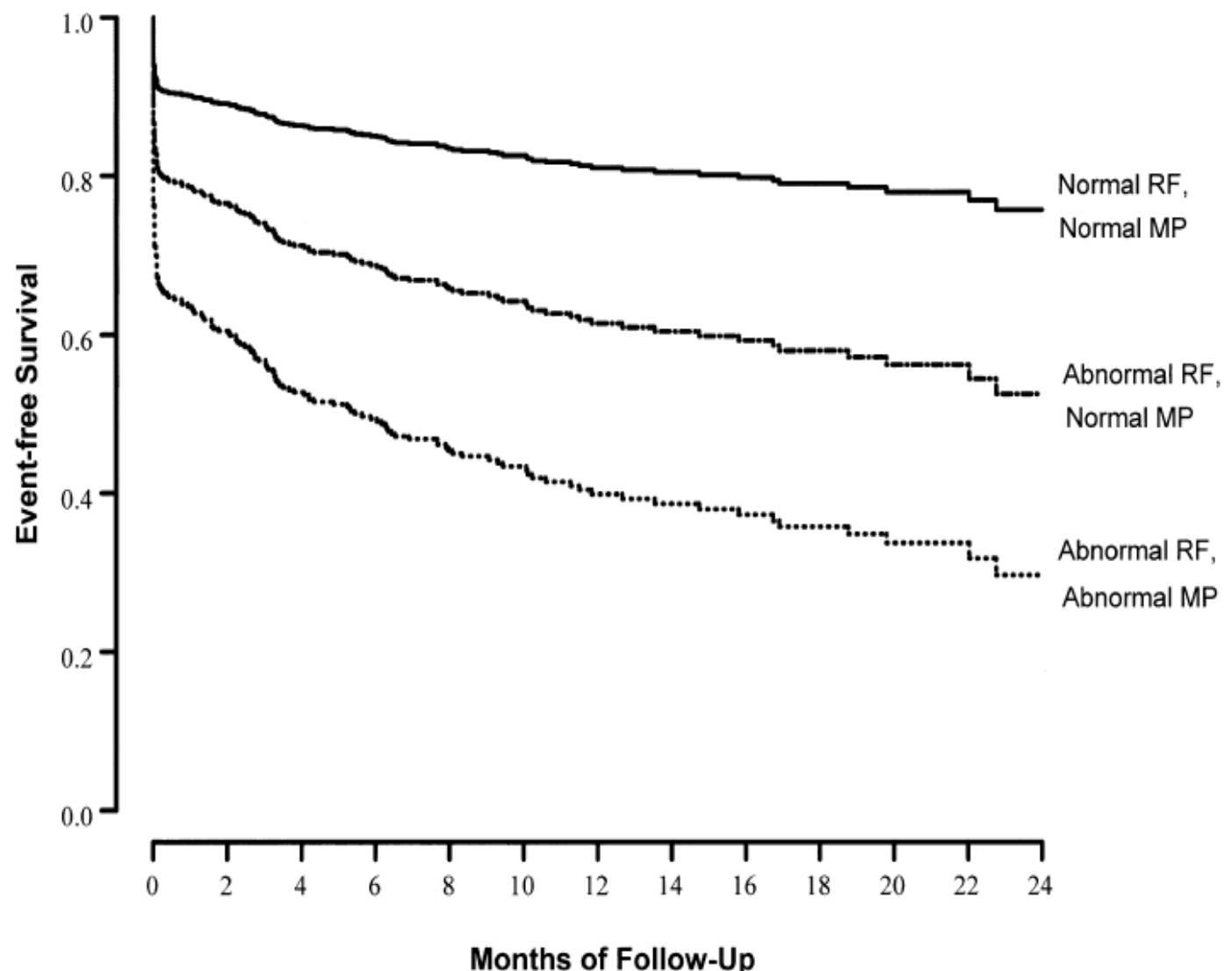
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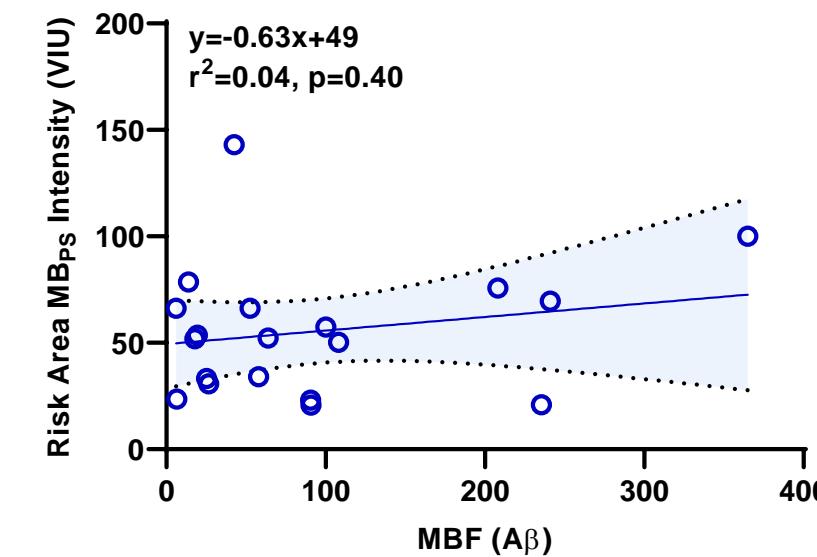
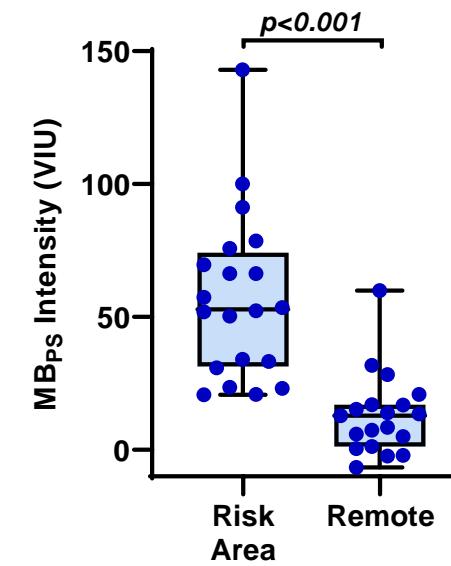
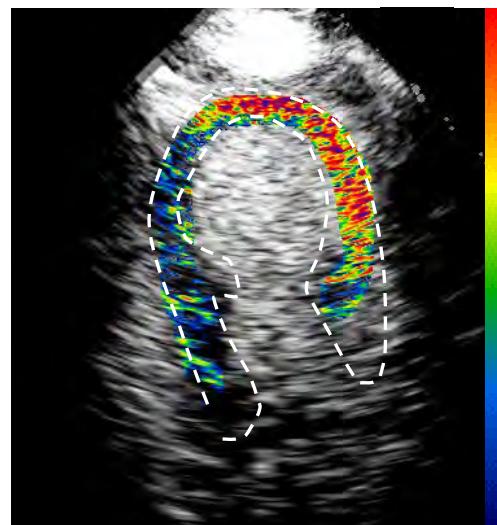
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Ischemic Memory with Sonazoid

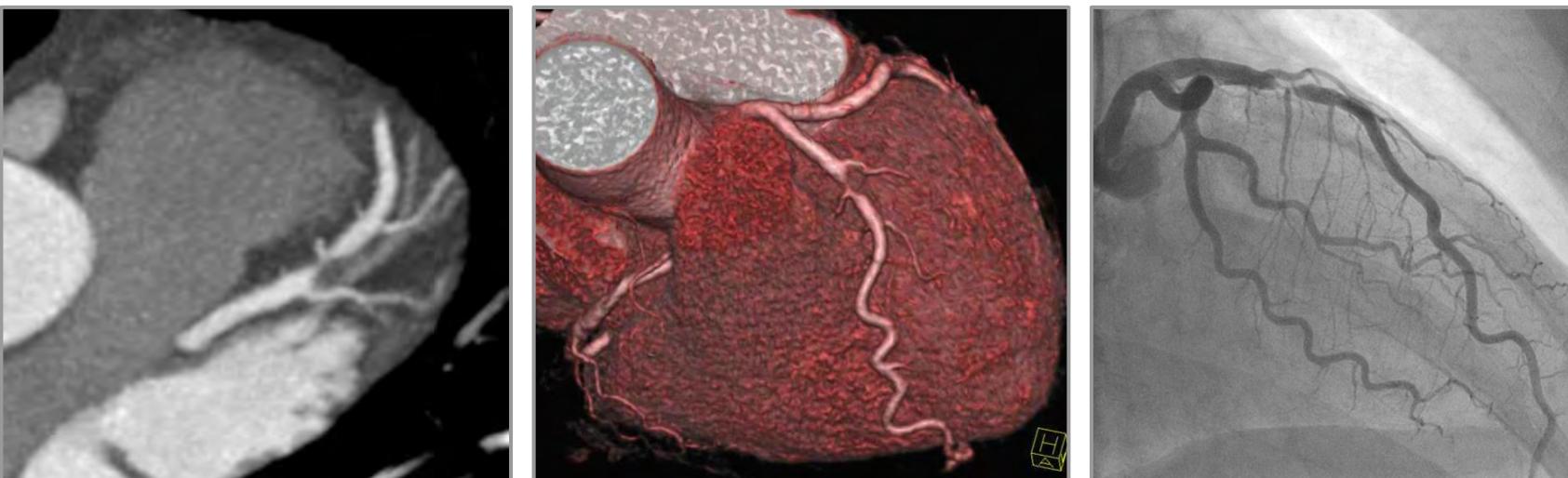
MCE Myocardial Perfusion



Ischemic Memory with MB_{PS} Retention



CT in ED Patients with CP



Why CT Angiography?

- Rapid high-resolution imaging now widely available
- Excellent negative predictive value
- FFR_{CT} now validated in acute CP setting
- Gold standard for evaluation of PE and aortic etiologies

Disadvantages

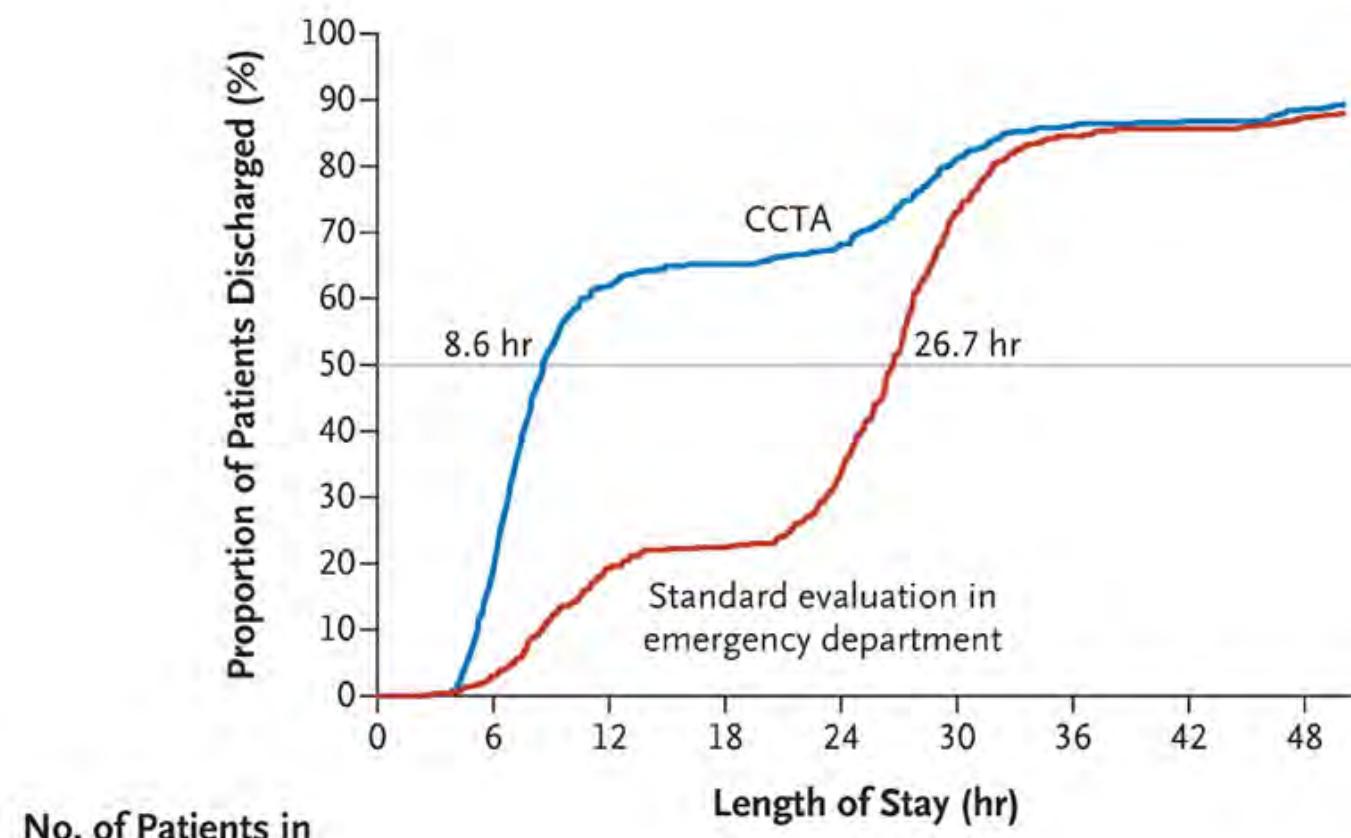
- Does not confirm ischemia as etiology
- PPV depends on pre-test probability (age)
- Limited use for stress CM, myocarditis

CTA for Detection of Stenosis

Study	CT-STAT(7)		ACRIN(46)		ROMICAT II(8)	
	Coronary CTA	Controls	Coronary CTA	Controls	Coronary CTA	Controls
ACS during index hospitalization (%)	1.2	2.7	4	2	9	6
MACE during follow-up (%)	0.8	0.4	3	1	0.4	1.2
Time to diagnosis (hours)	2.9*	6.2*	-	-	-	-
Length of stay (hours)	-	-	18.0*	24.8*	23.2*	30.8*
Direct ED discharges (%)	-	-	50*	23*	47*	12*
Invasive coronary angiography (%)	7	6	5	4	11	7
Coronary revascularization (%)	4	2	3	1	7	4
ED cost (\$)	2,137	3,458	-	-	2,101	2,566
Radiation dose (mSv)	12	13			14*	5*

*significant difference between coronary CTA and control groups (p<0.05)

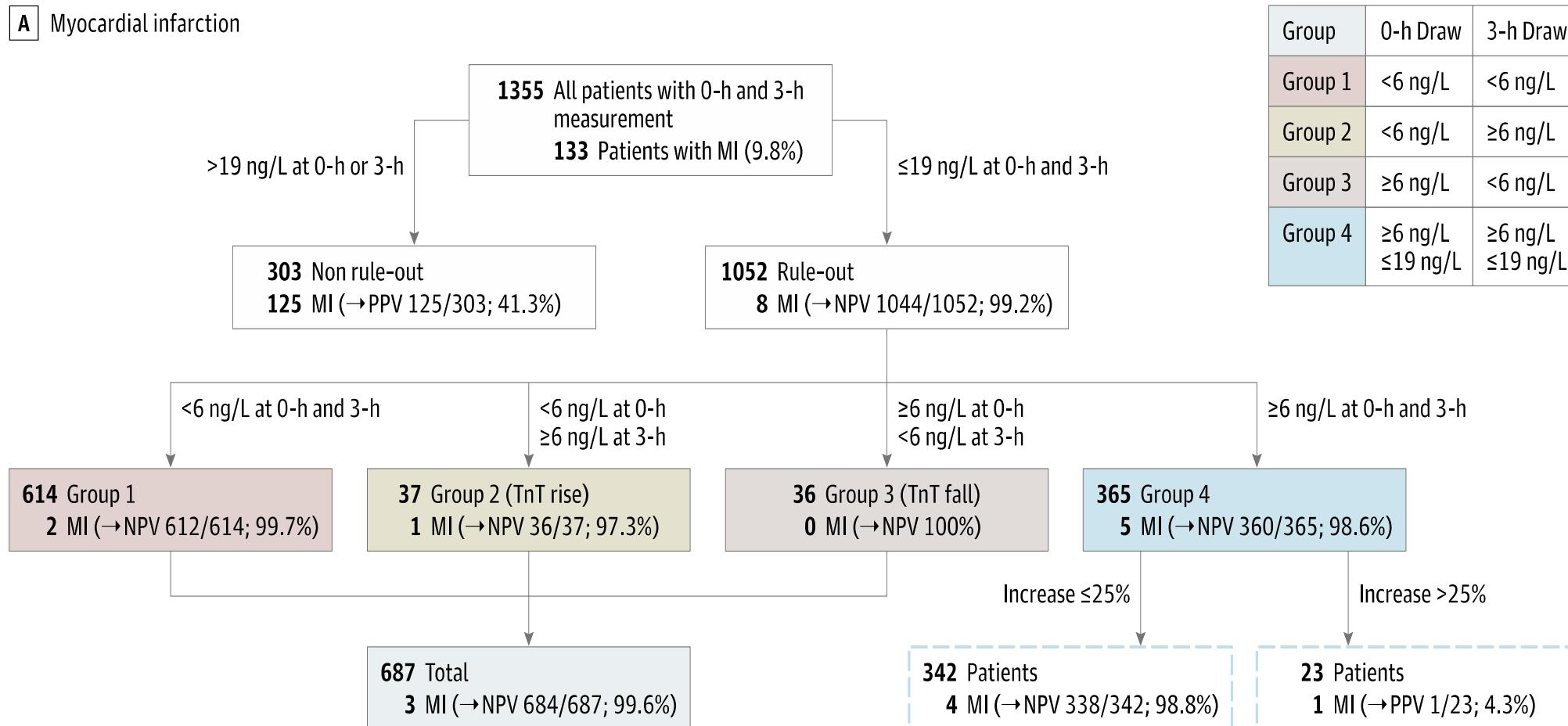
CT and Length of Stay



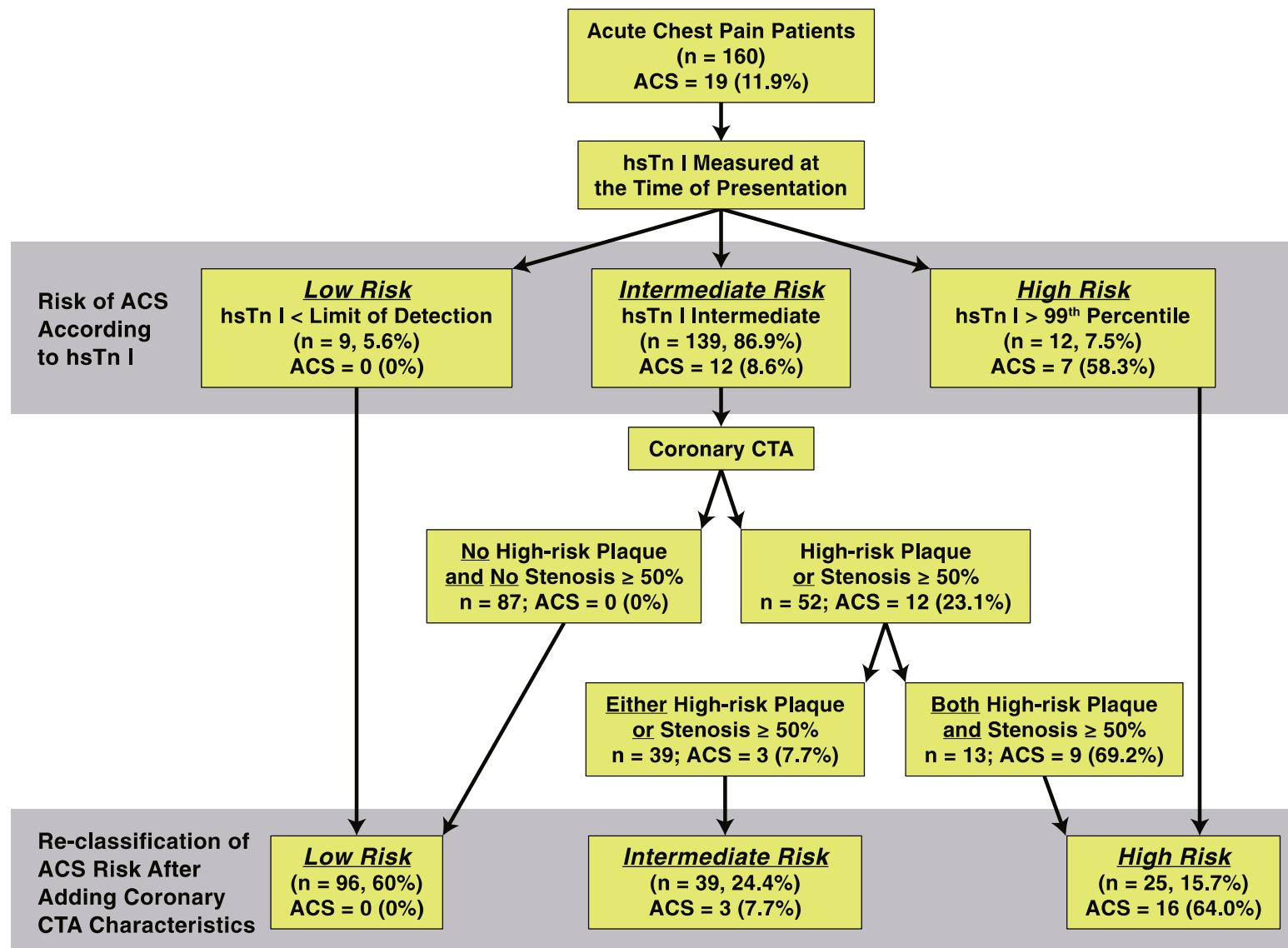
No. of Patients in
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or Hospital

CCTA	501	404	191	174	159	95	70	66	57
Standard evaluation	499	484	403	387	331	135	77	72	63

Impact of hsTroponin



High-sensitivity Troponin as a Prelude to CTA





POC Echo

- Equivocal ECG, symptoms, other cause for ↑troponin
- Ongoing symptoms
- Suspicion for alternative myocardial or other dz
- Unstable patient
- Need for immediate information (proximal dissection)
- The repeat customer

CT Angio

- Need to exclude PE or acute aortic syndrome
- Younger individual
- Low suspicion for alternative myocardial disease
- Pre-existing WMA or prior MI
- Symptoms long resolved
- Strong desire to shorten ED length of stay
- The repeat customer