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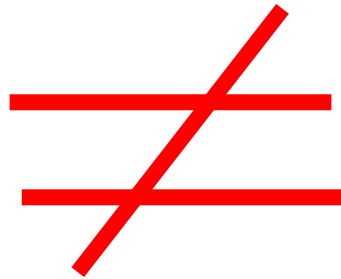
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- Consulting for Medtronic's Valve Project
- Echo Core Lab for TMVR (Medtronic Inc)
- Echo Core Lab for Valve in MAC (Edward Science)
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# Exercise Echo in Valvular Heart Diseases

## When to do it ?

Symptoms

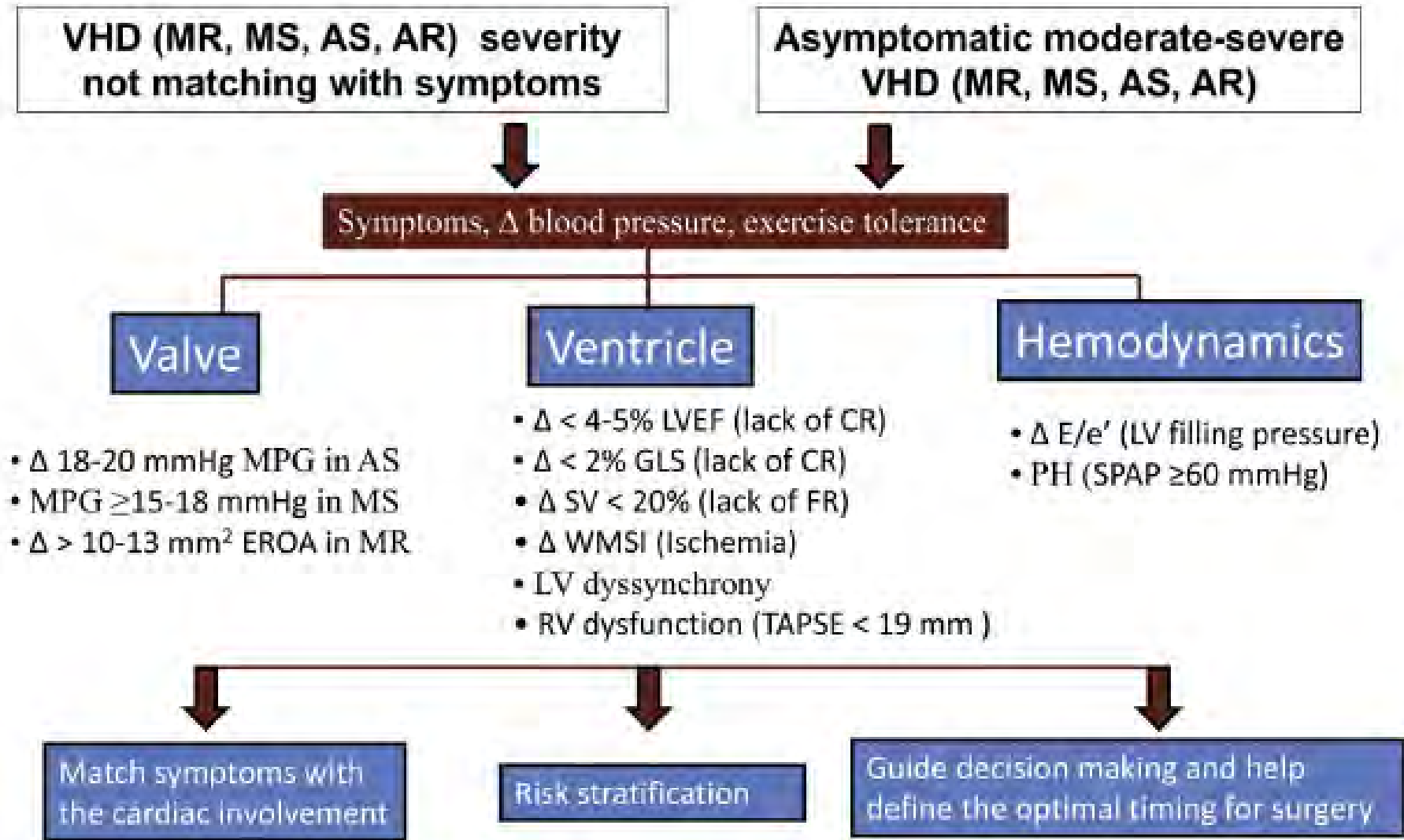


Resting Echo  
Data

- Asymptomatic patients with severe VHD
- Symptomatic patients with less than severe VHD

- Aortic stenosis
- Mitral regurgitation
- Mitral prosthesis
- Aortic regurgitation
- Mitral stenosis

# Exercise Test for Valvular Heart Diseases



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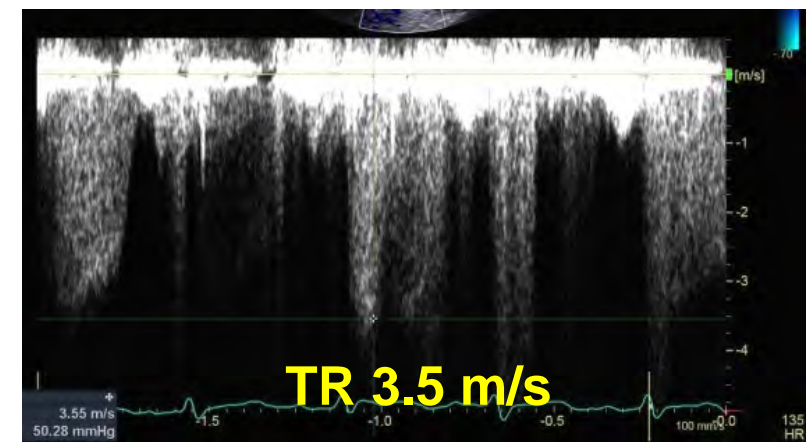
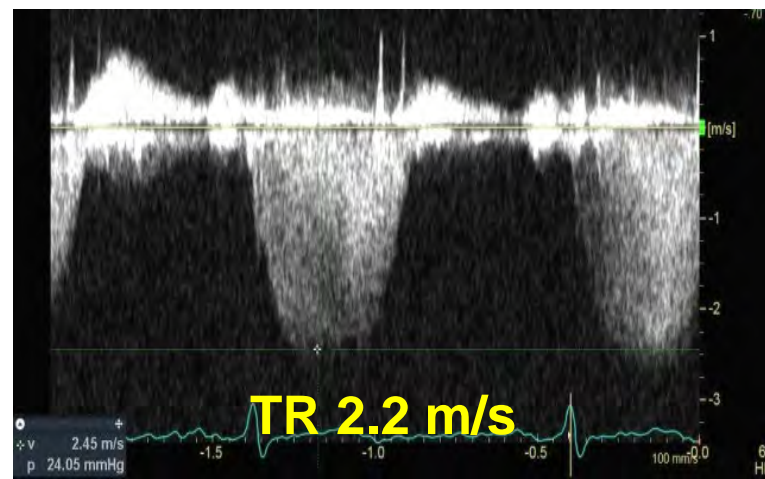
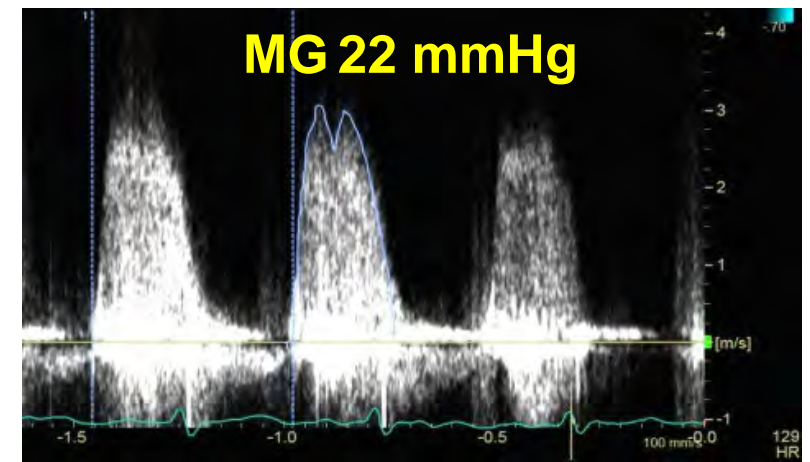
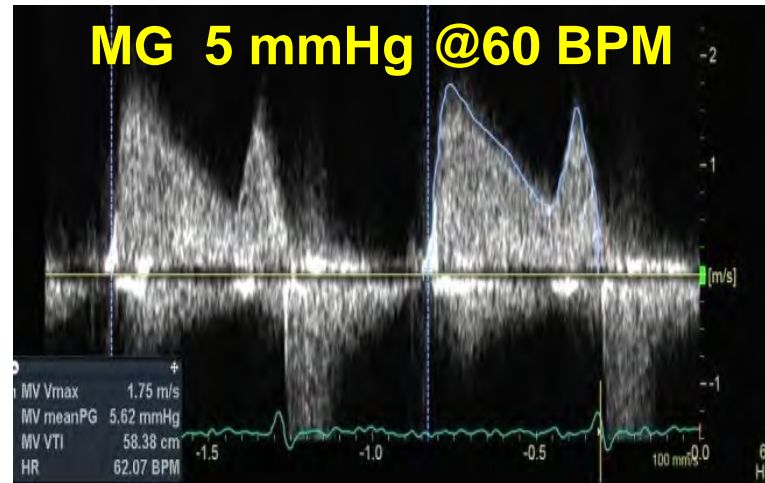
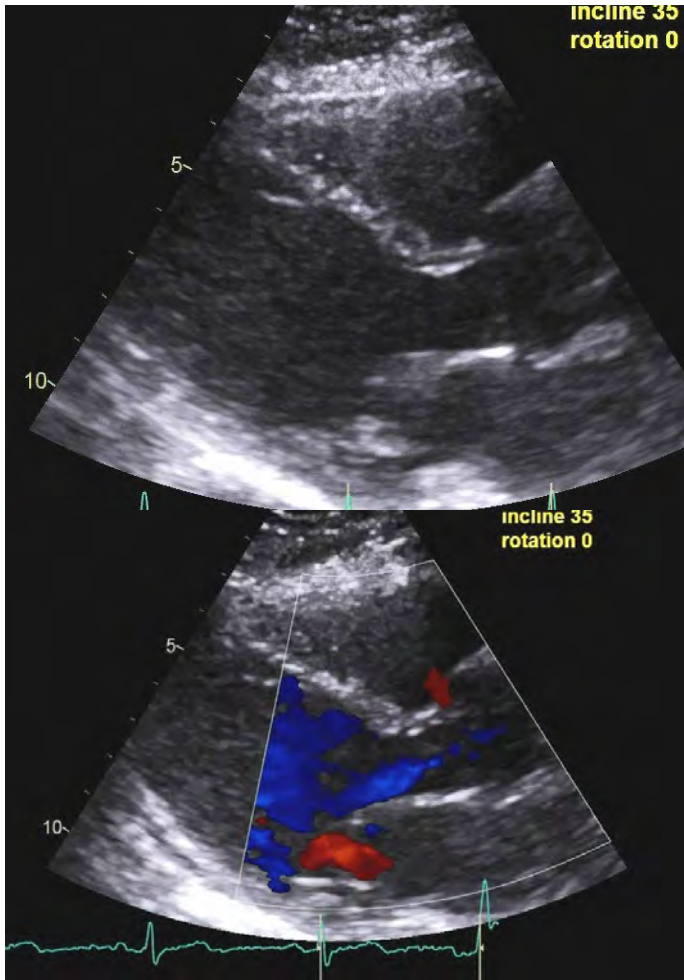
## **Class I Recommendation for Exercise in Mitral Stenosis**

**Exercise testing with Doppler or invasive hemodynamic assessment is recommended to evaluate the response of the mean mitral gradient and PASP in patients with MS when there is a discrepancy between resting Doppler echocardiographic findings and clinical symptoms or signs. (*Level of Evidence: C*)**

# Evaluation of Severity of Mitral Stenosis

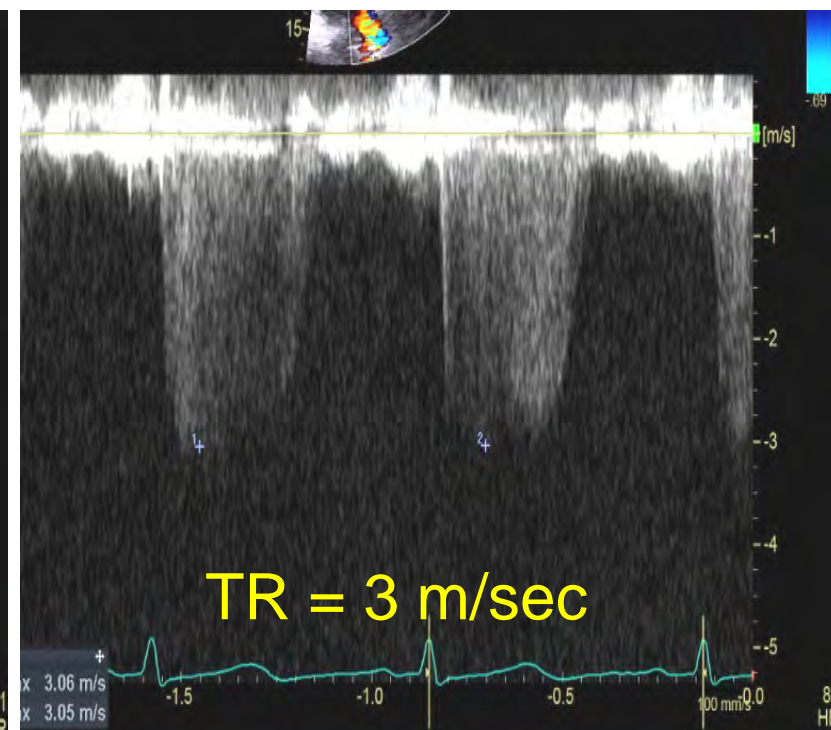
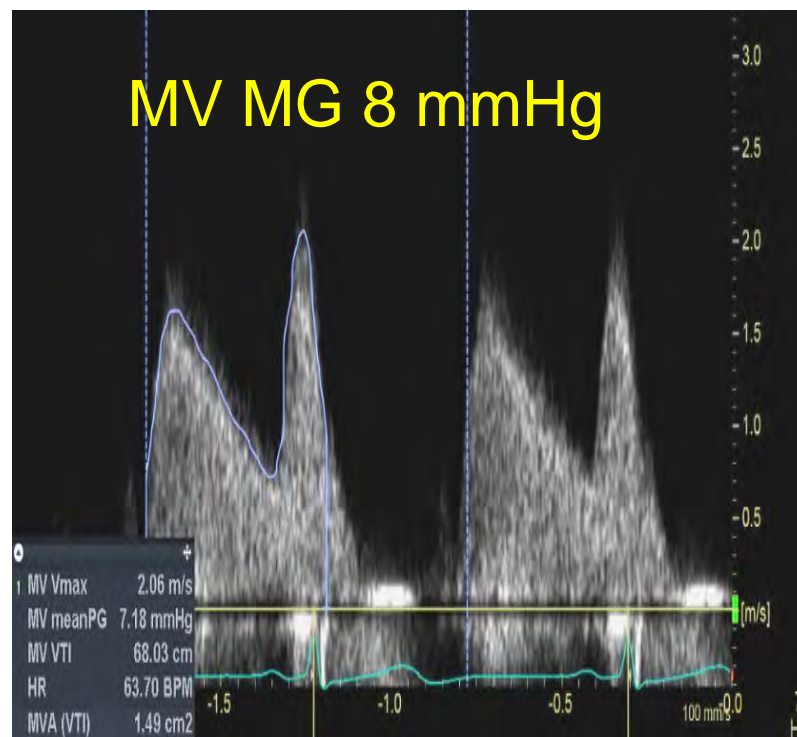
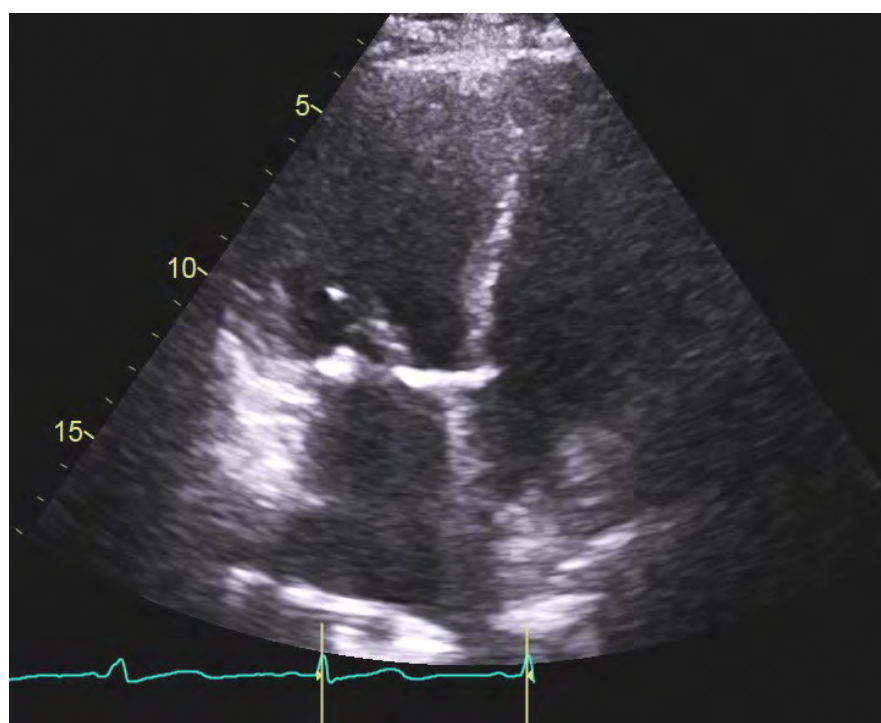
## Rest

## Exercise



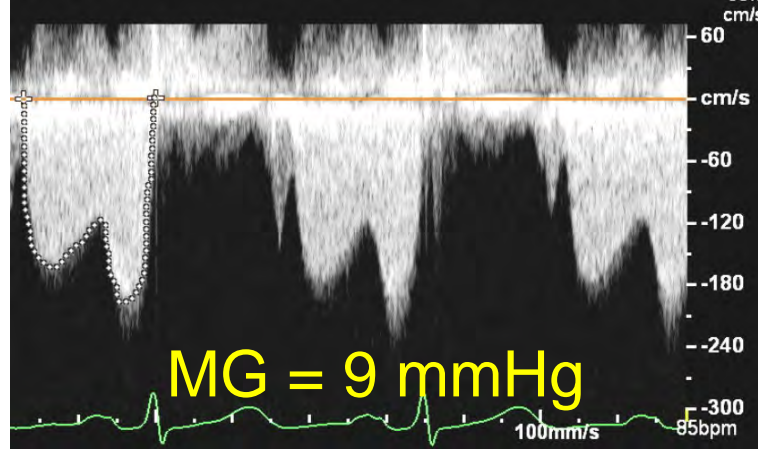
Severe MS MG > 15 with exercise, > 18 mmHg with Dobutamine

# 70 year old woman with hypertension and NYHA III Mitral annulus calcification and increased gradient

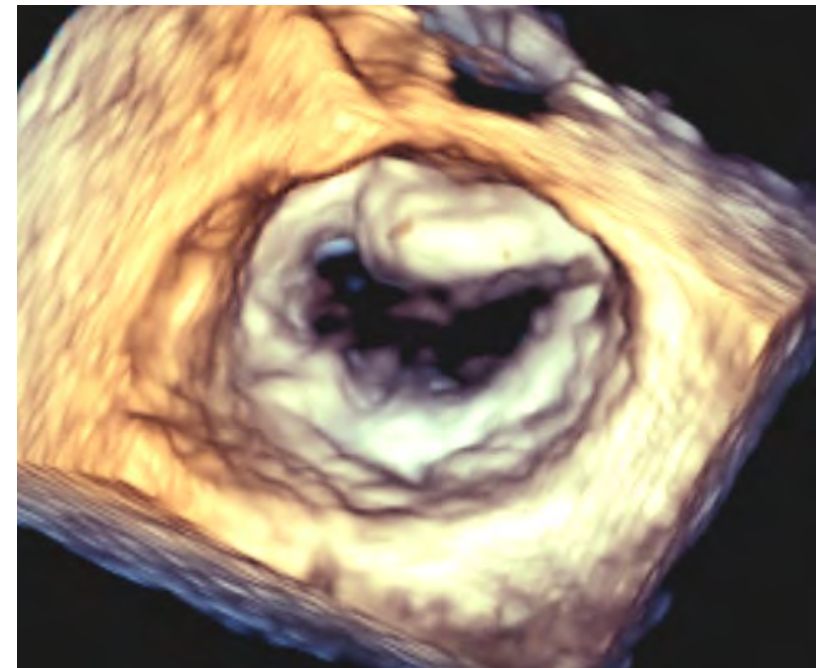
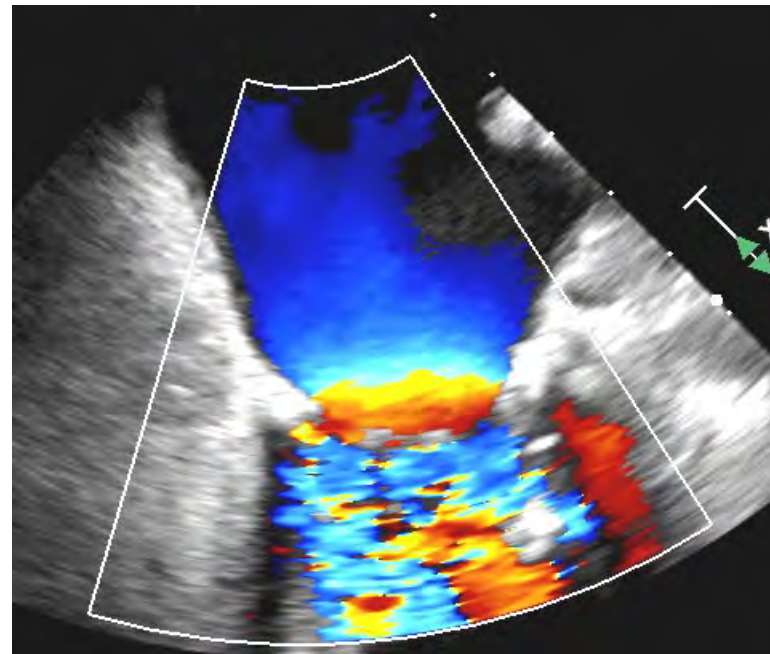
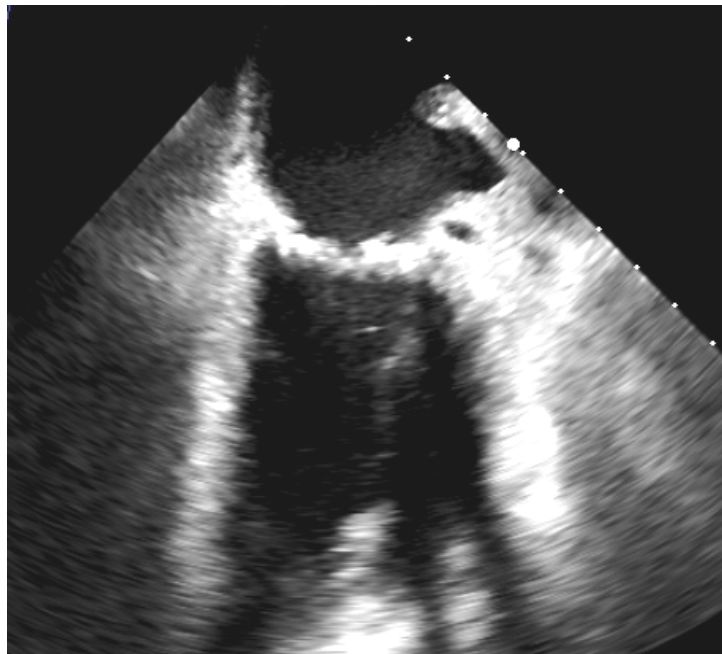


Severe MS at resting Echo  
MVA < 1 cm<sup>2</sup> ESC and < 1.5 cm<sup>2</sup> ASE

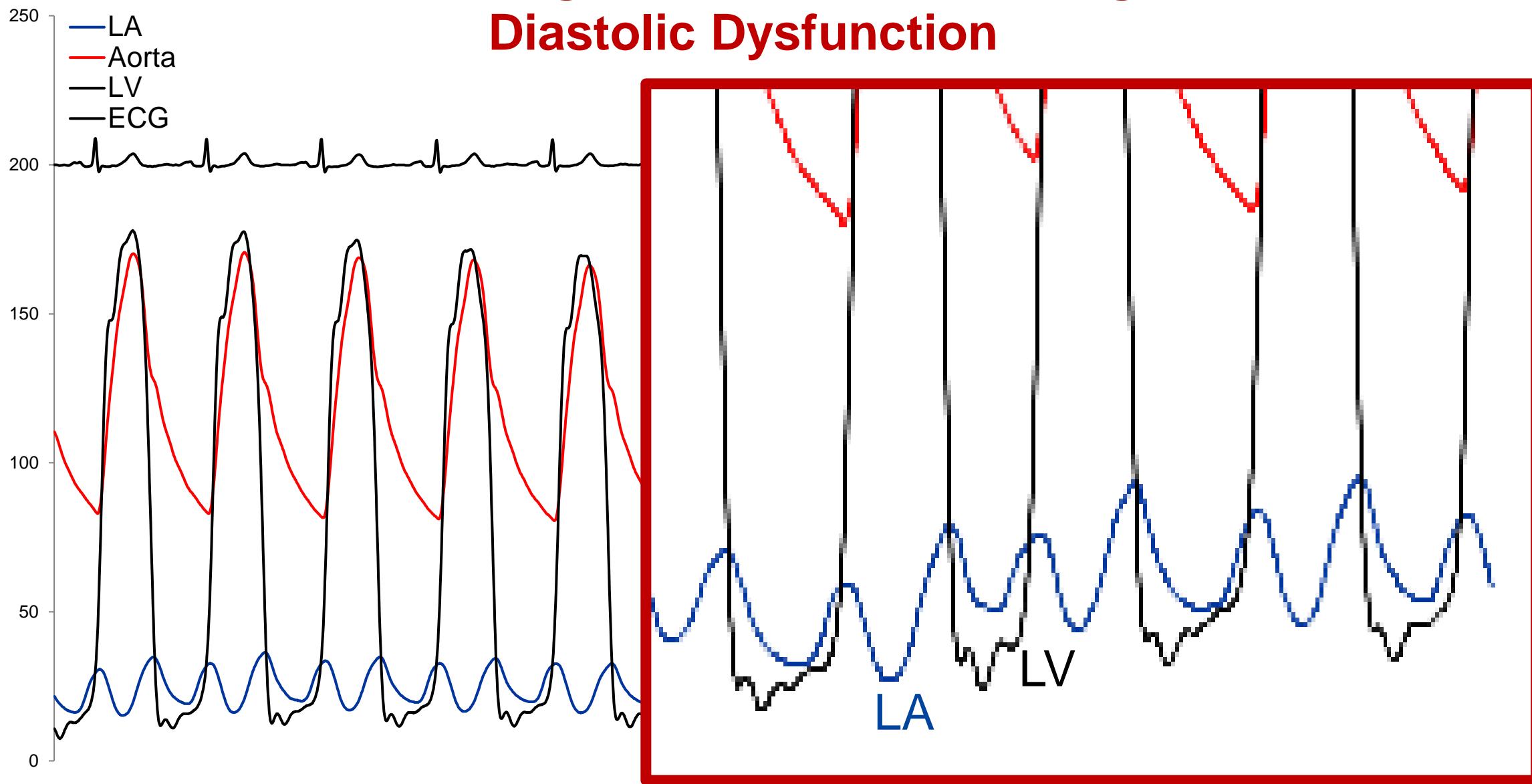




70 yo woman with hypertension and NYHA III  
**Mitral annulus calcification and stenosis**



**Mitral gradient 9 mmHg; valve area 2.0 cm<sup>2</sup>**  
**LVEDP 27 mmHg with no end-diastolic gradient**  
**Diastolic Dysfunction**



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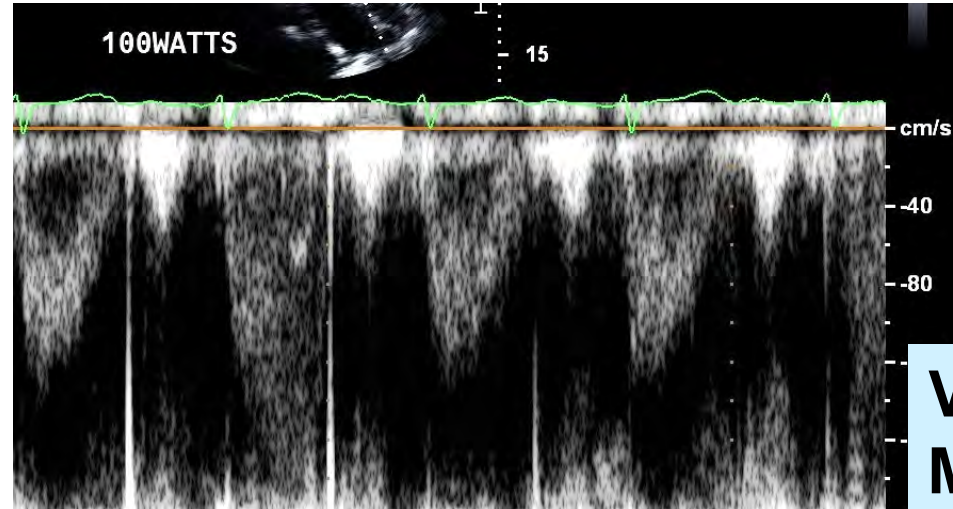
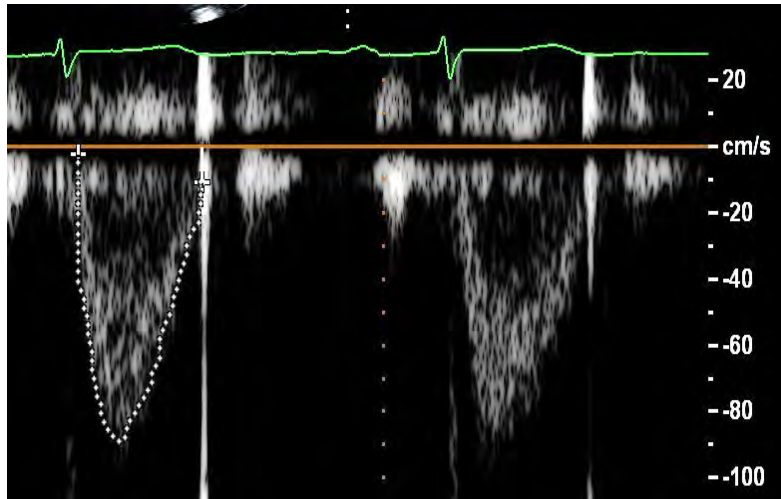
**Class IIa Recommendation : Exercise in VHD**

**Exercise testing is reasonable in selected patients with asymptomatic severe VHD to**

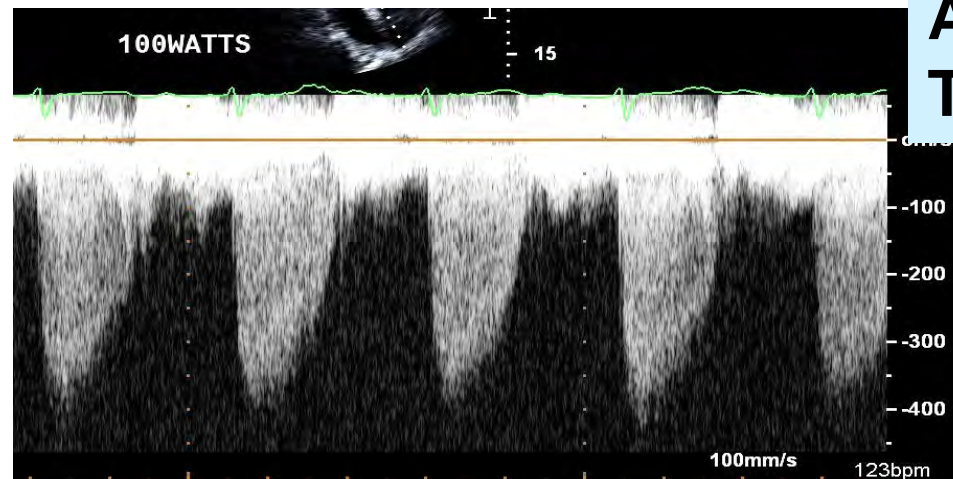
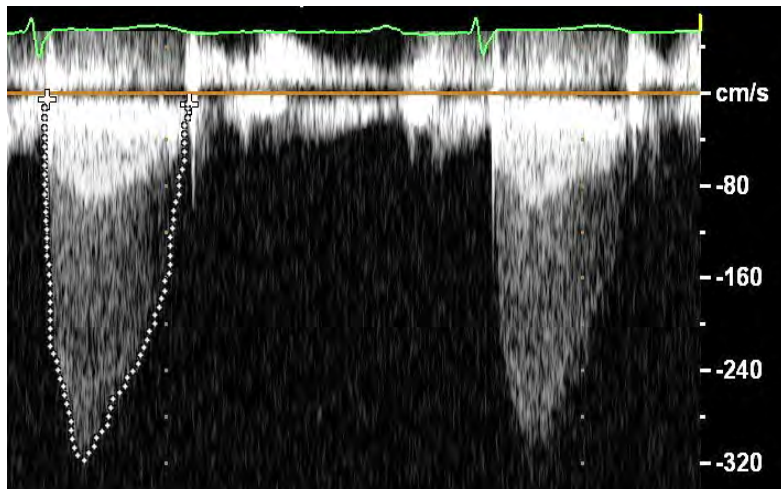
- 1) confirm the absence of symptoms, or**
- 2) assess the hemodynamic response to exercise, or**
- 3) determine prognosis**

***(Level of Evidence: B)***


# Exercise Test for Low Gradient Severe AS

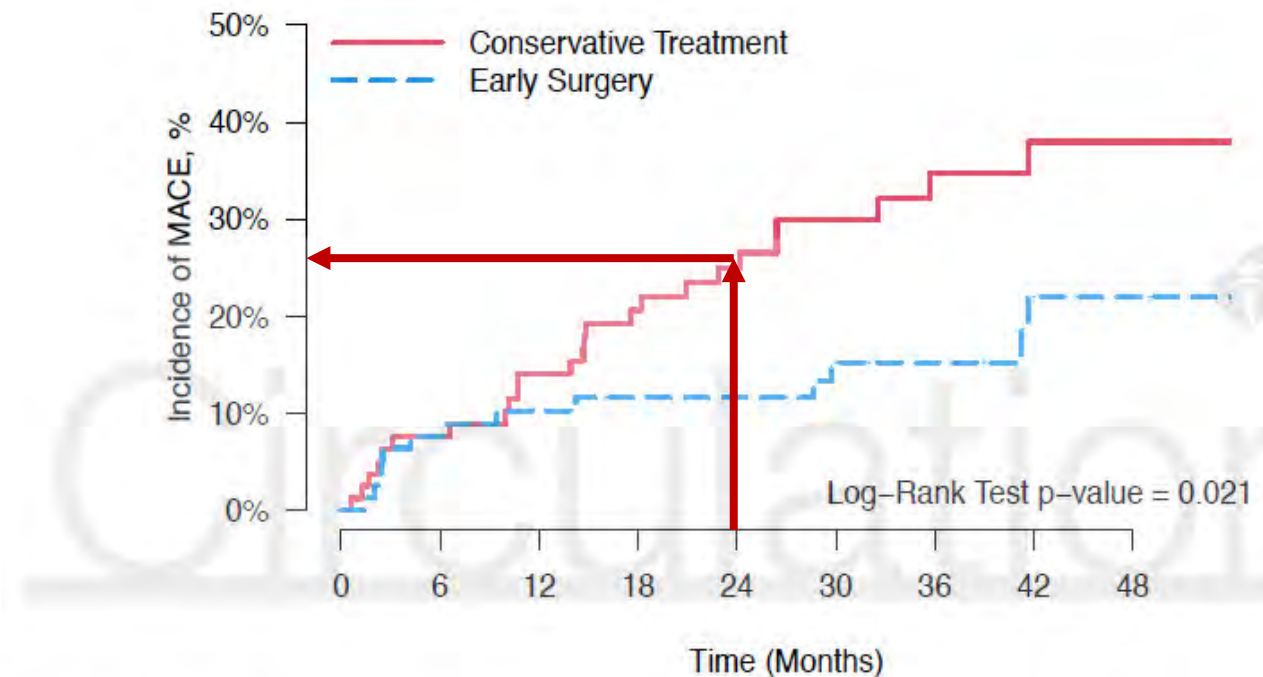


**Vel 3.2 to 4.2 m/sec**  
**MG 24 to 41 mmHg**  
**AVA 0.9 cm**  
**TR V 2.5 to 4.0 m/sec**



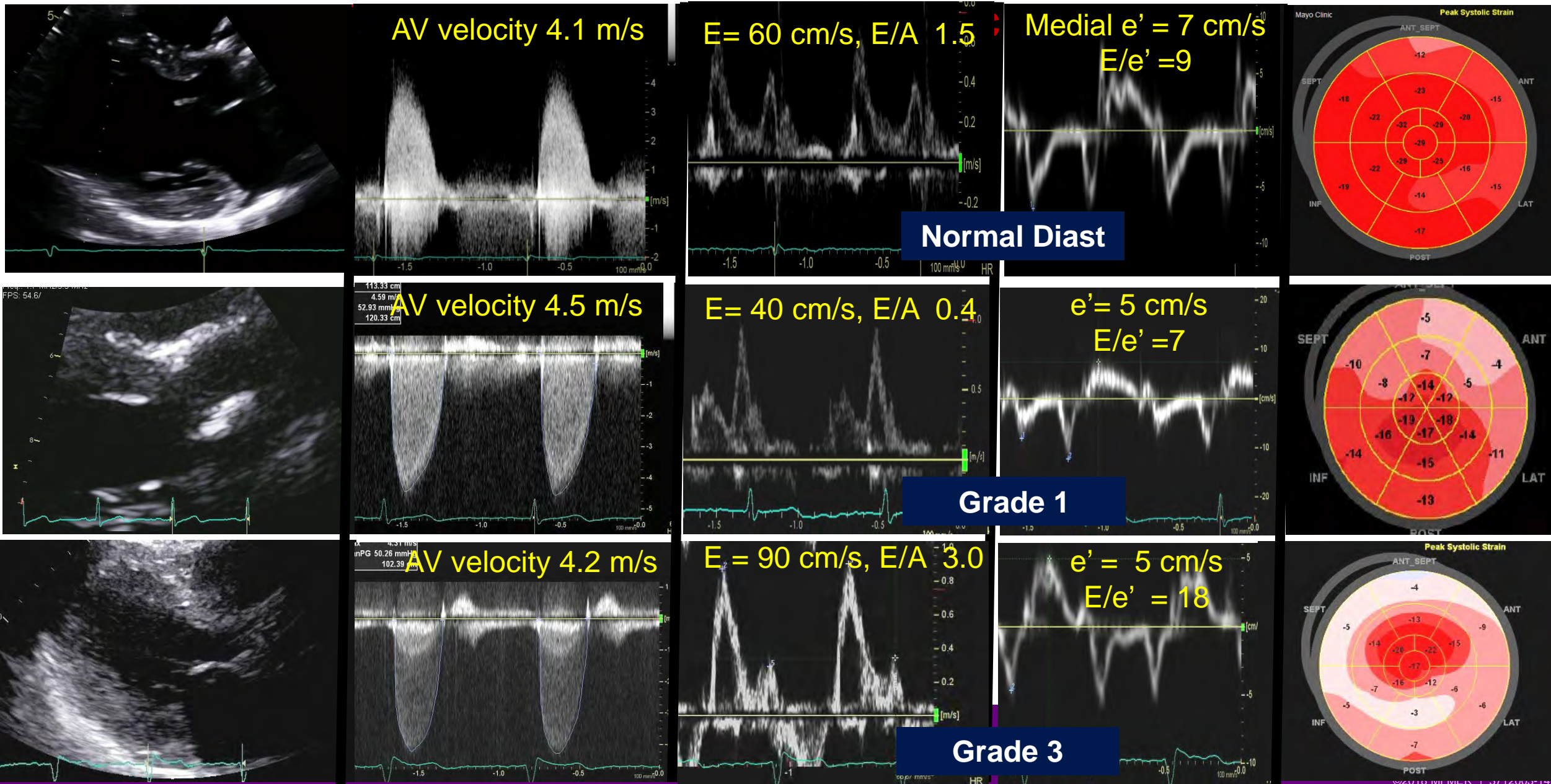
# Aortic Valve Replacement versus Conservative Treatment in Asymptomatic Severe Aortic Stenosis: The AVATAR Trial

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and on behalf of the AVATAR-trial investigators



	Patients, n								
Conservative Treat.	79	73	66	59	49	36	25	19	12
Early Surgery	78	72	68	63	56	46	38	23	13

# 3 patients with severe aortic stenosis



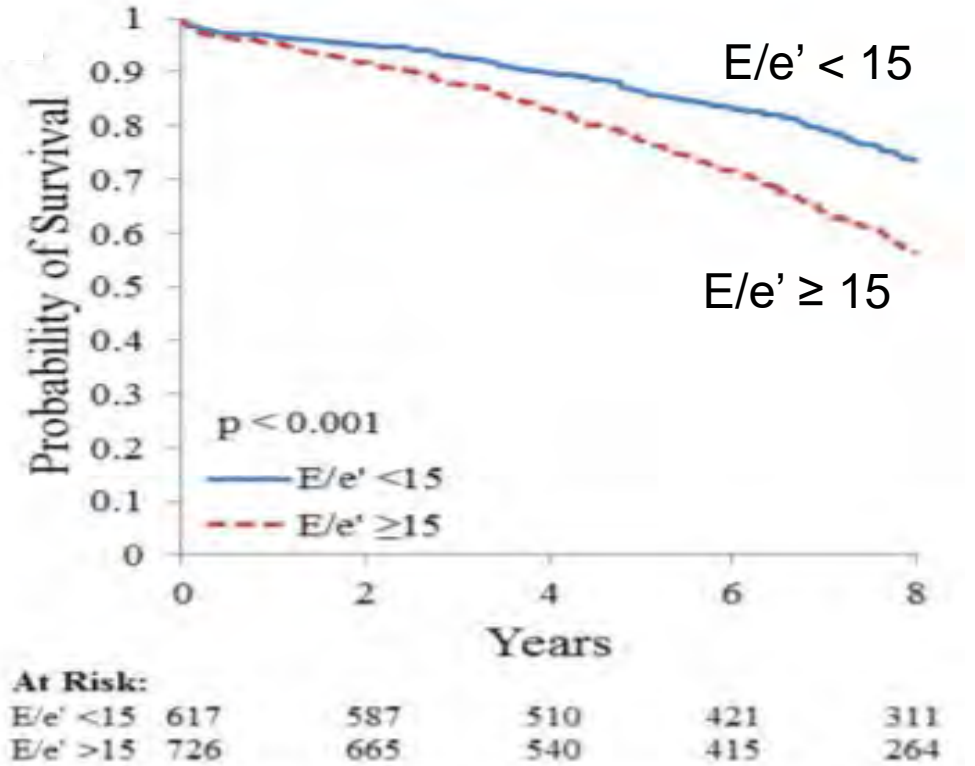
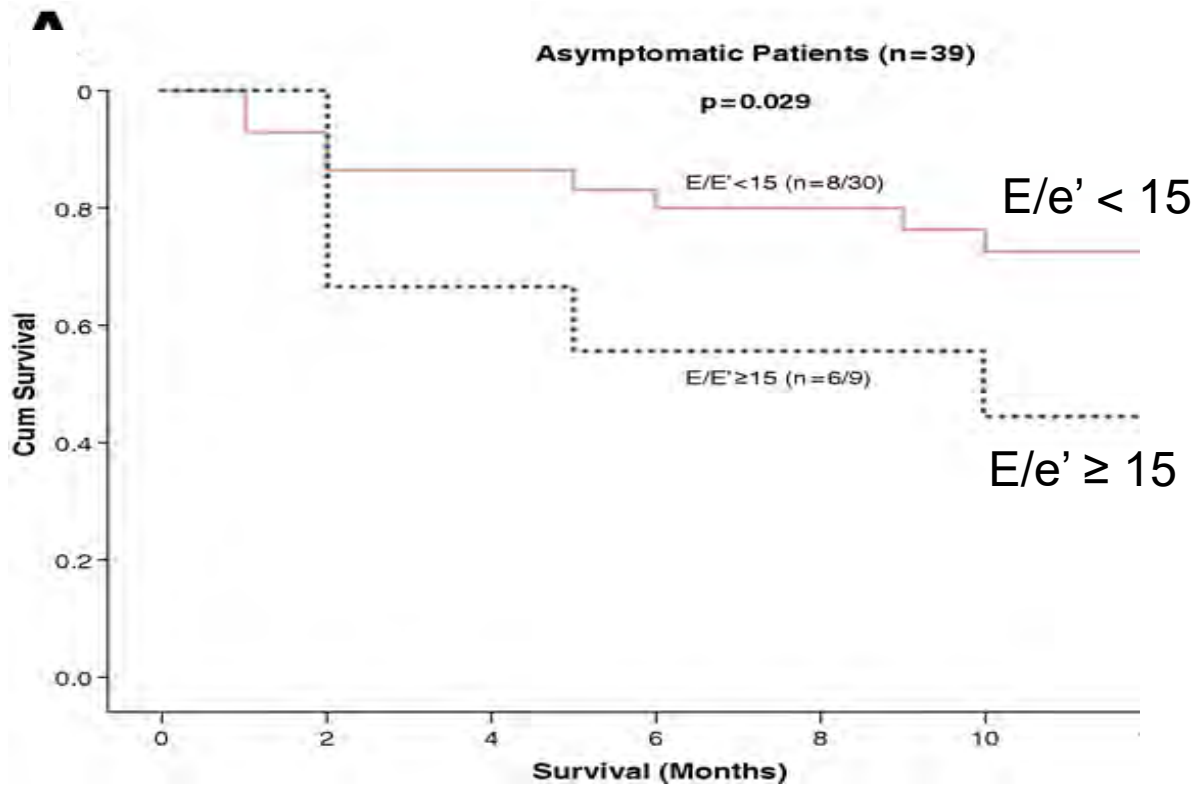
# Prognostic Value of E/E' Ratio in Patients With Unoperated Severe Aortic Stenosis

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# Left ventricular filling pressure and survival following aortic valve replacement for severe aortic stenosis

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**E/e' ≥ 15 is a Bad Prognostic Sign in AS**



**At Risk:**

	0	2	4	6	8
E/e' < 15	617	587	510	421	311
E/e' > 15	726	665	540	415	264

# Moderate Aortic Stenosis at Mayo

- A total of 696 patients
  - Median age 77 years
  - Mean AVA 1.3 cm<sup>2</sup>,
  - 57% male
  - 45% symptomatic
- During a median follow-up of 3.4 years, there were 279 deaths (40%).



## LV Global Longitudinal Strain in Moderate Aortic Stenosis

Circulation: Cardiovascular Imaging

### ORIGINAL ARTICLE

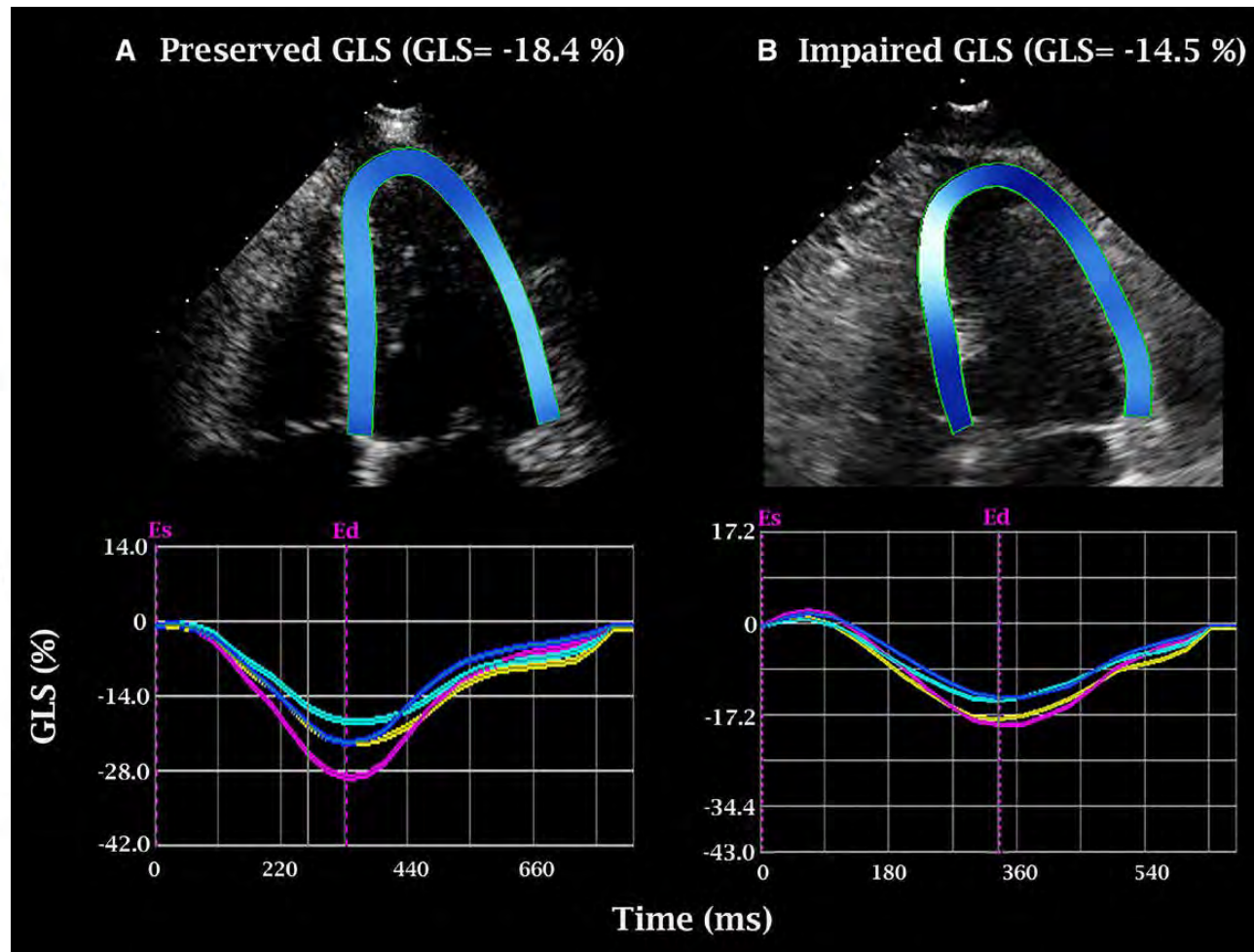
# Left Ventricular Global Longitudinal Strain Is Associated With Long-Term Outcomes in Moderate Aortic Stenosis

See Editorial by Lakatos and Kovács

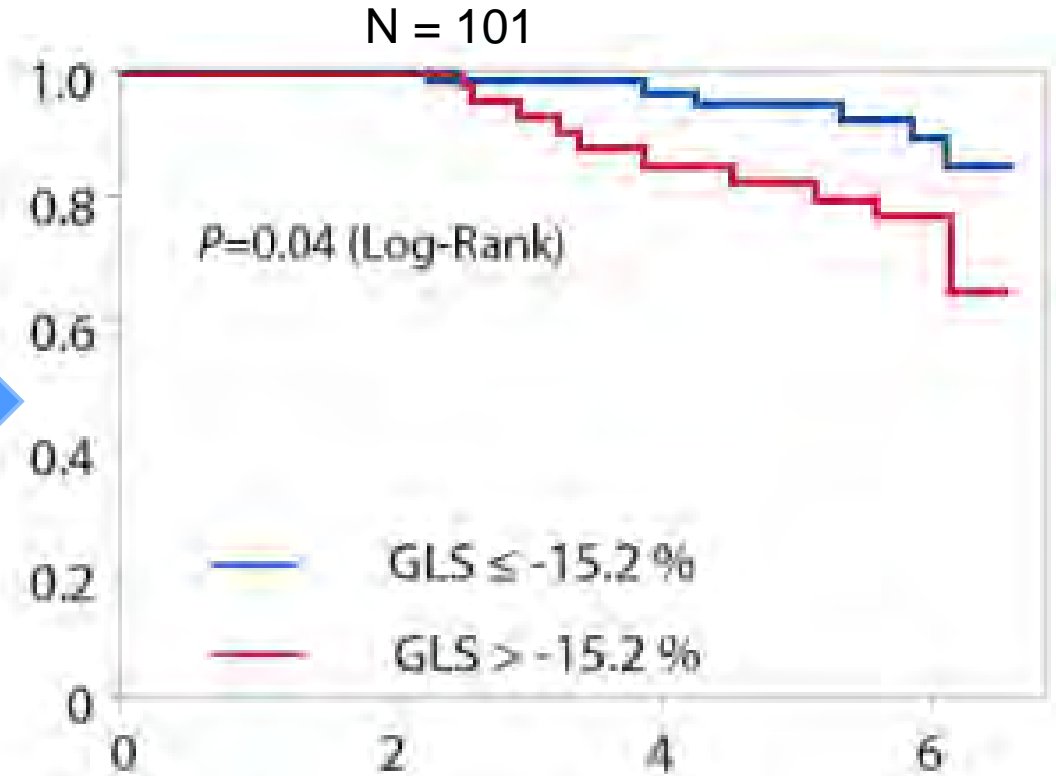
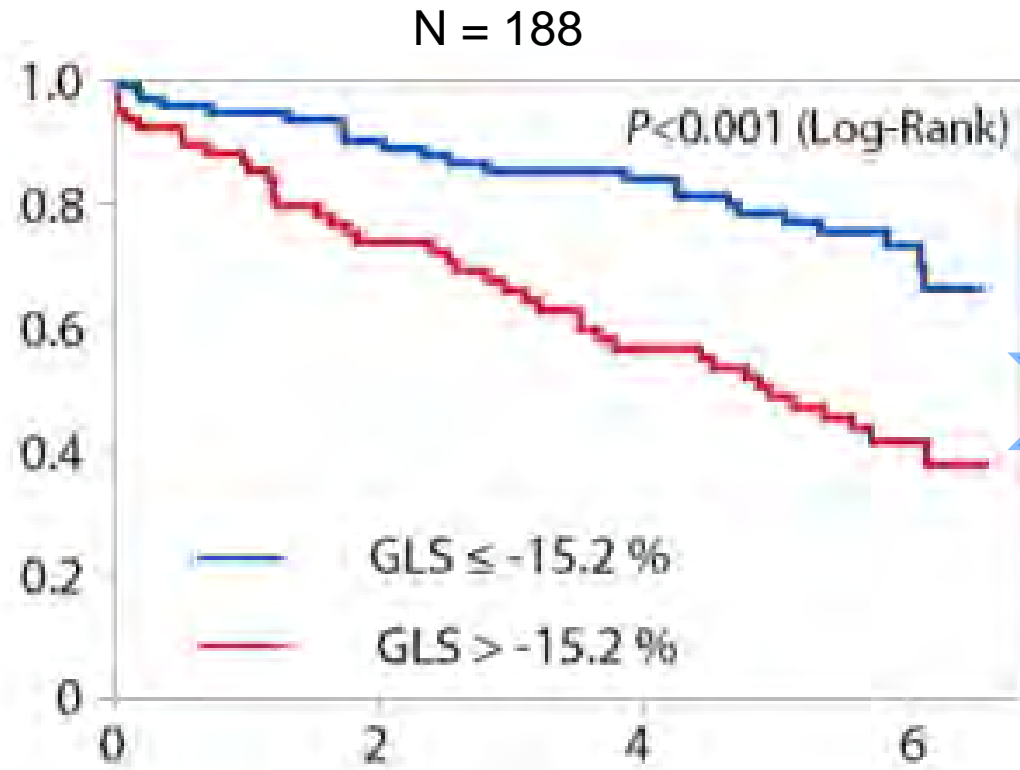
**BACKGROUND:** Left ventricular global longitudinal strain (GLS) is associated with long-term outcomes of patients with severe aortic stenosis. However, its prognostic value in patients with moderate aortic stenosis remains unknown.

**METHODS:** Patients diagnosed with moderate aortic stenosis ( $1.0 < \text{aortic valve area} \leq 1.5 \text{ cm}^2$ ) and left ventricular ejection fraction  $\geq 50\%$  were identified. GLS was assessed by 2-dimensional strain imaging using

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## Survival outcomes for patients with moderate AS with LVEF $\geq 60\%$

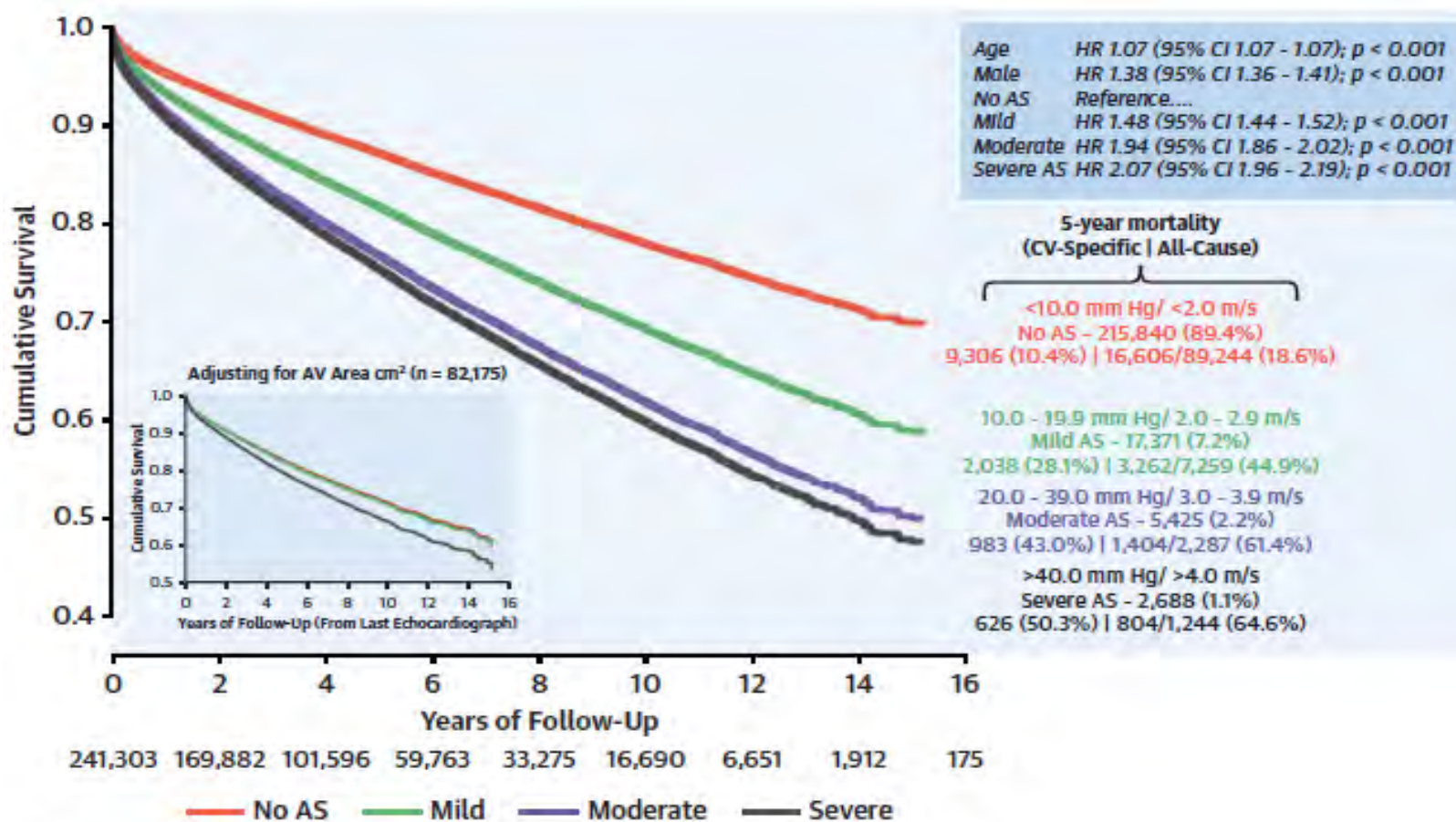


Time (years)

# Poor Long-Term Survival in Patients With Moderate Aortic Stenosis



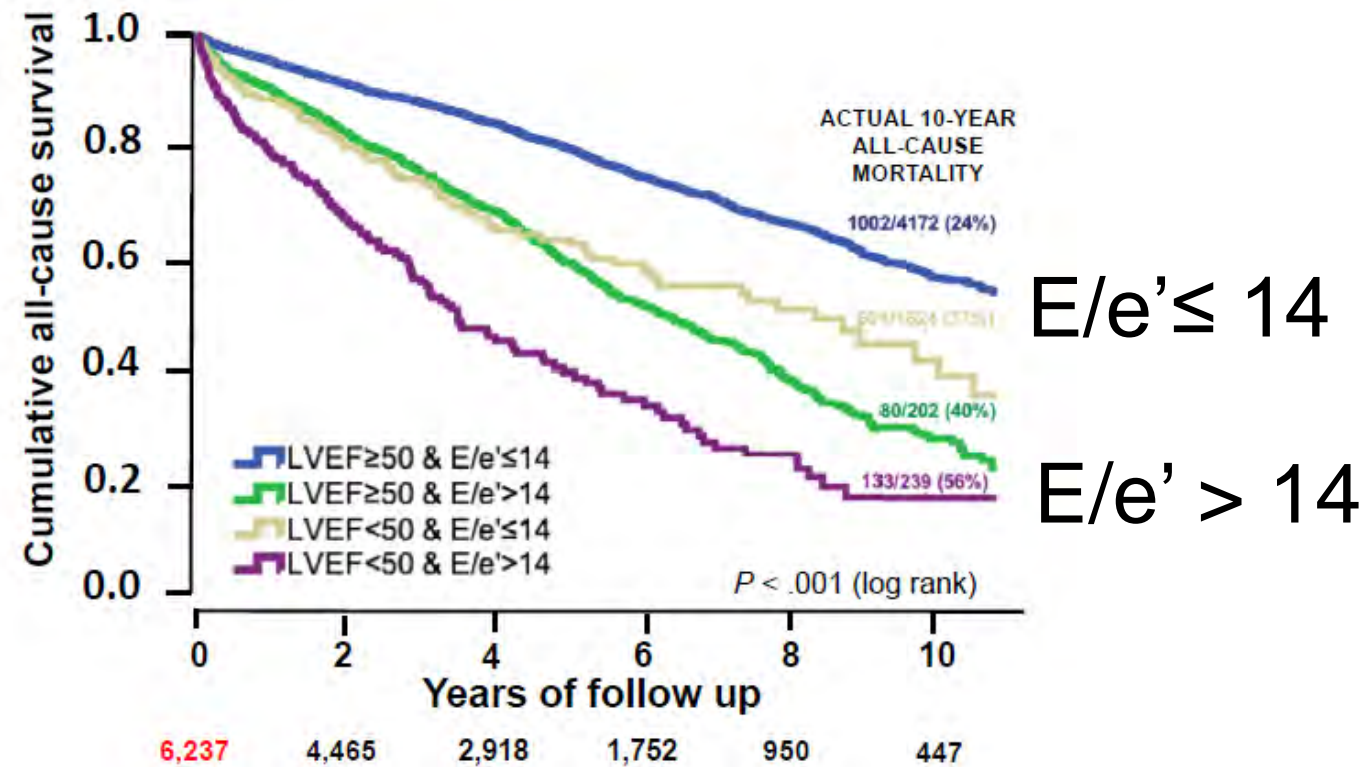
Geoff Strange, PhD,<sup>a</sup> Simon Stewart, PhD,<sup>b</sup> David Celermajer, MD, PhD,<sup>c</sup> David Prior, MBBS, PhD,<sup>d</sup> Gregory M. Scalia, MBBS (HONS), MMEDSC,<sup>e</sup> Thomas Marwick, MBBS, PhD,<sup>f</sup> Marcus Ilton, MD,<sup>g</sup> Majo Joseph, MBBS,<sup>h</sup> Jim Codde, PhD,<sup>i</sup> David Playford, MBBS, PhD,<sup>a</sup> on behalf of the National Echocardiography Database of Australia contributing sites



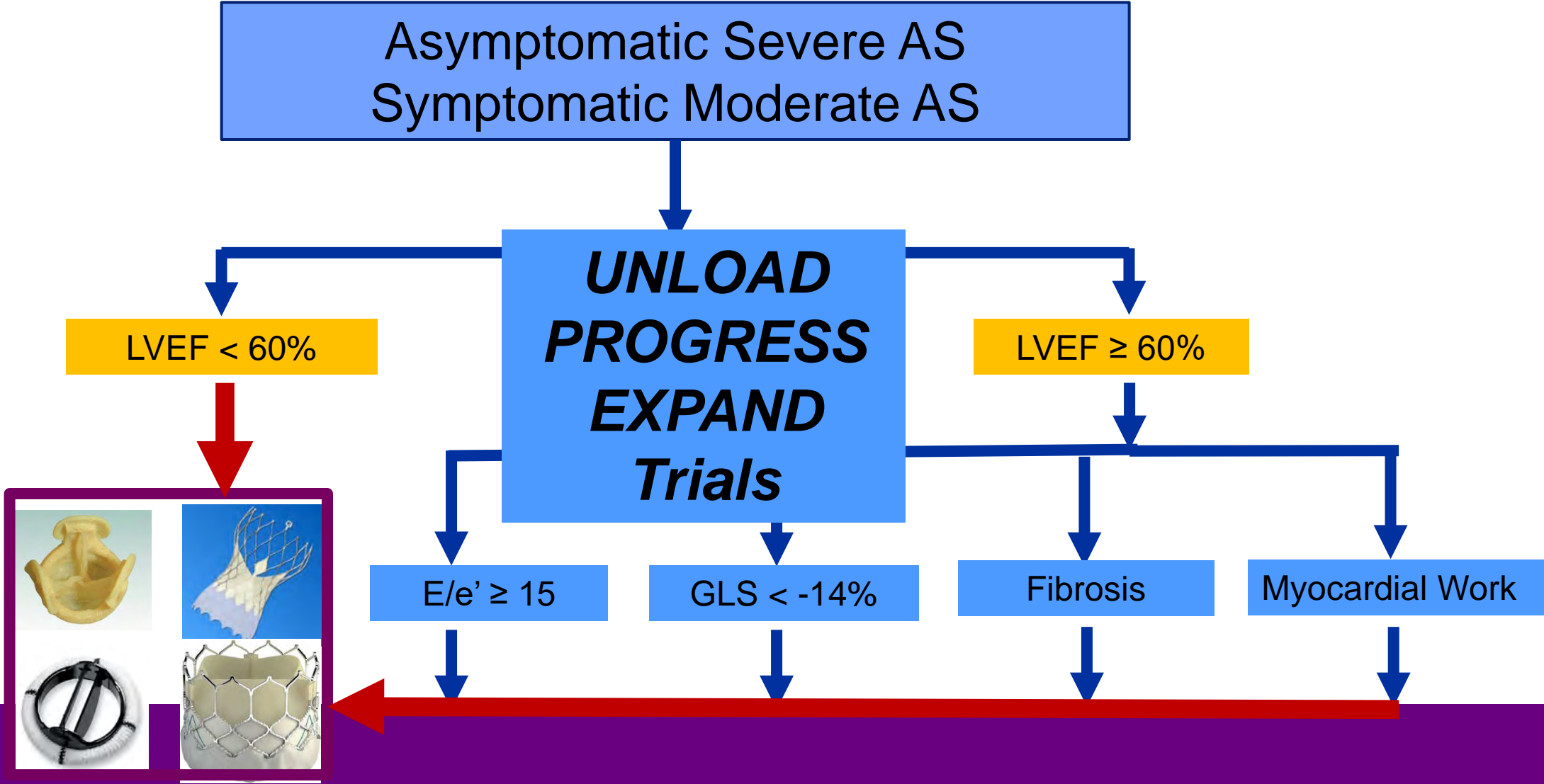
# Markers of Elevated Left Ventricular Filling Pressure Are Associated with Increased Mortality in Nonsevere Aortic Stenosis



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# Clinical Trials to test following AS Rx

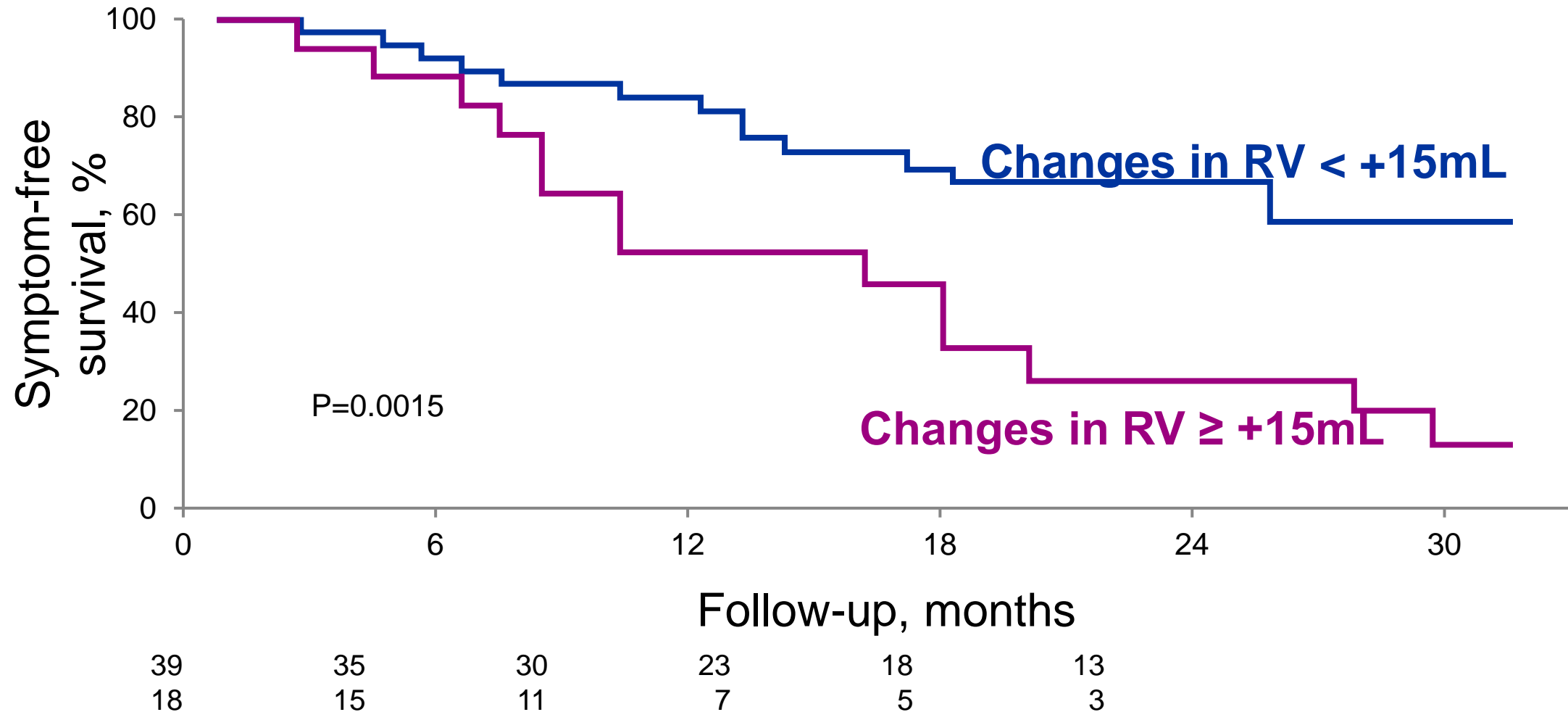


# Exercise testing in MR and TR

## Class IIa

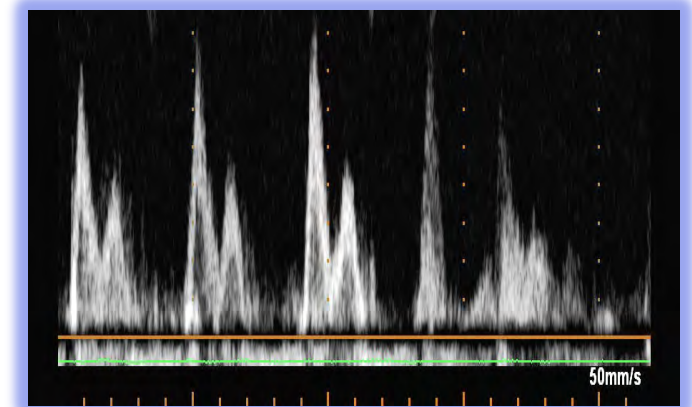
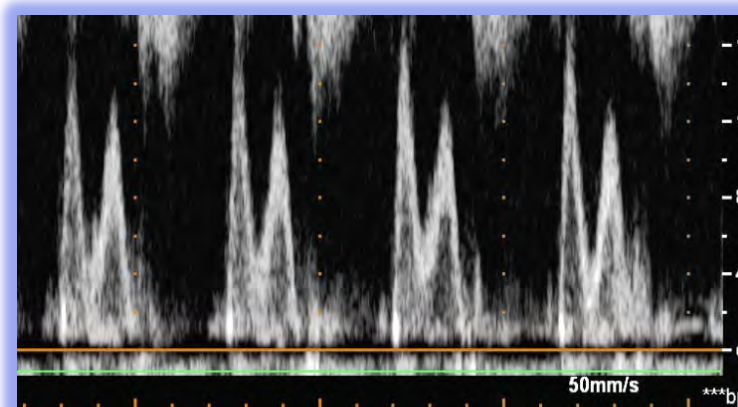
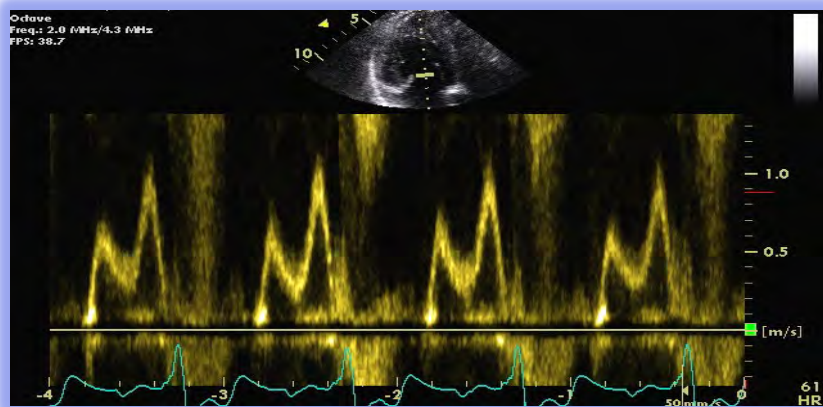
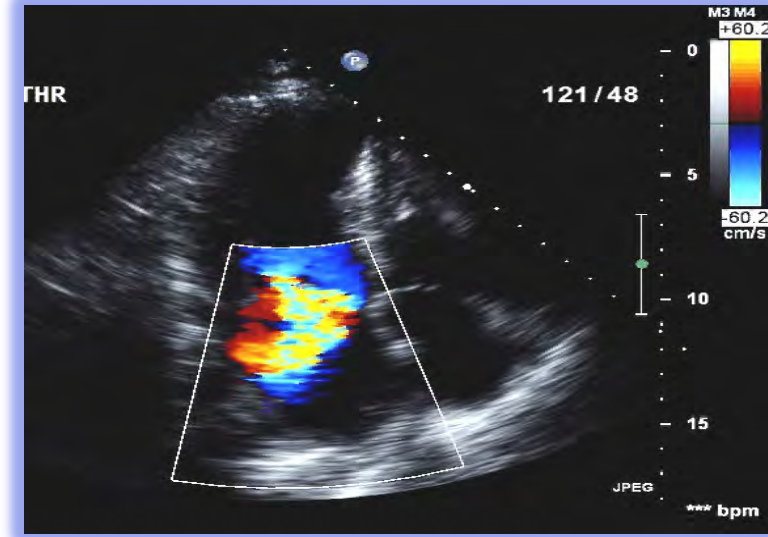
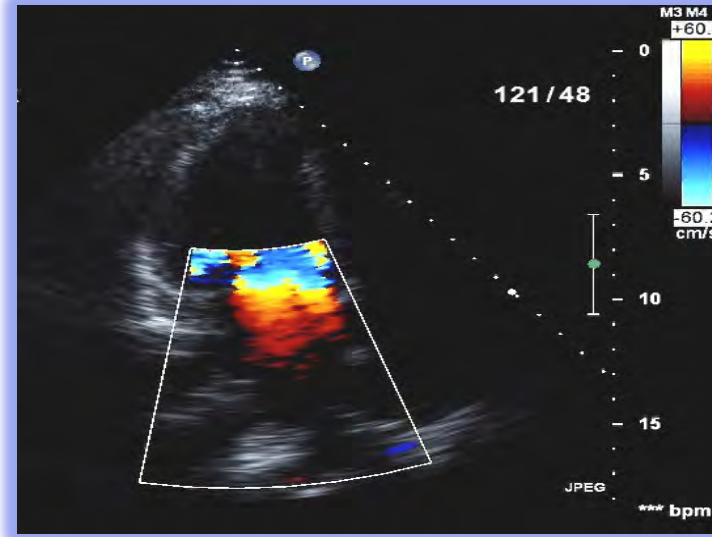
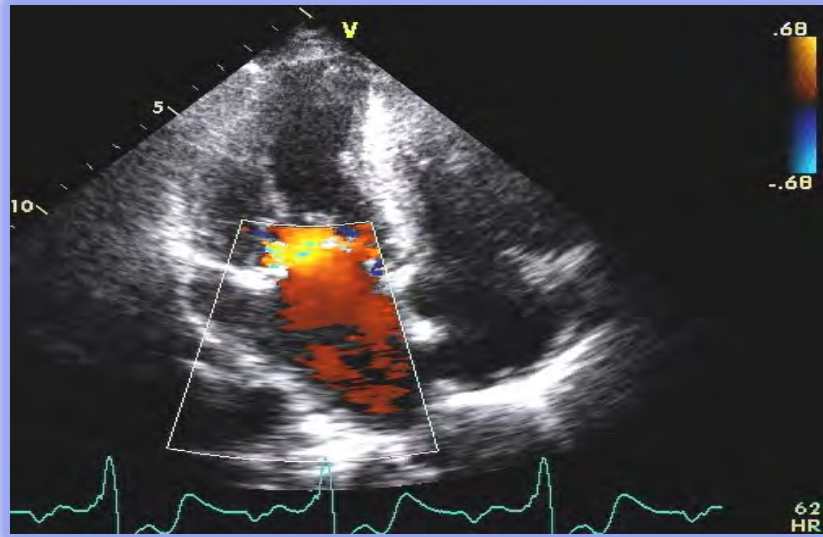
1. Exercise hemodynamics with either Doppler echocardiography or cardiac catheterization is reasonable in symptomatic patients with chronic primary MR where there is a discrepancy between symptoms and the severity of MR at rest (stages B and C) (*Level of Evidence: B*)
2. Exercise treadmill testing can be useful in patients with chronic primary MR to establish symptom status and exercise tolerance (stages B and C). (*Level of Evidence: C*)
3. Exercise testing may be considered for the assessment of exercise capacity in patients with severe TR with no or minimal symptoms (stage C). (*Level of Evidence: C*)

# Symptom-Free Survival with MR Change in Reg Volume with Exercise



# 63 year old woman

## *Recurrent Pulmonary Edema*



Rest

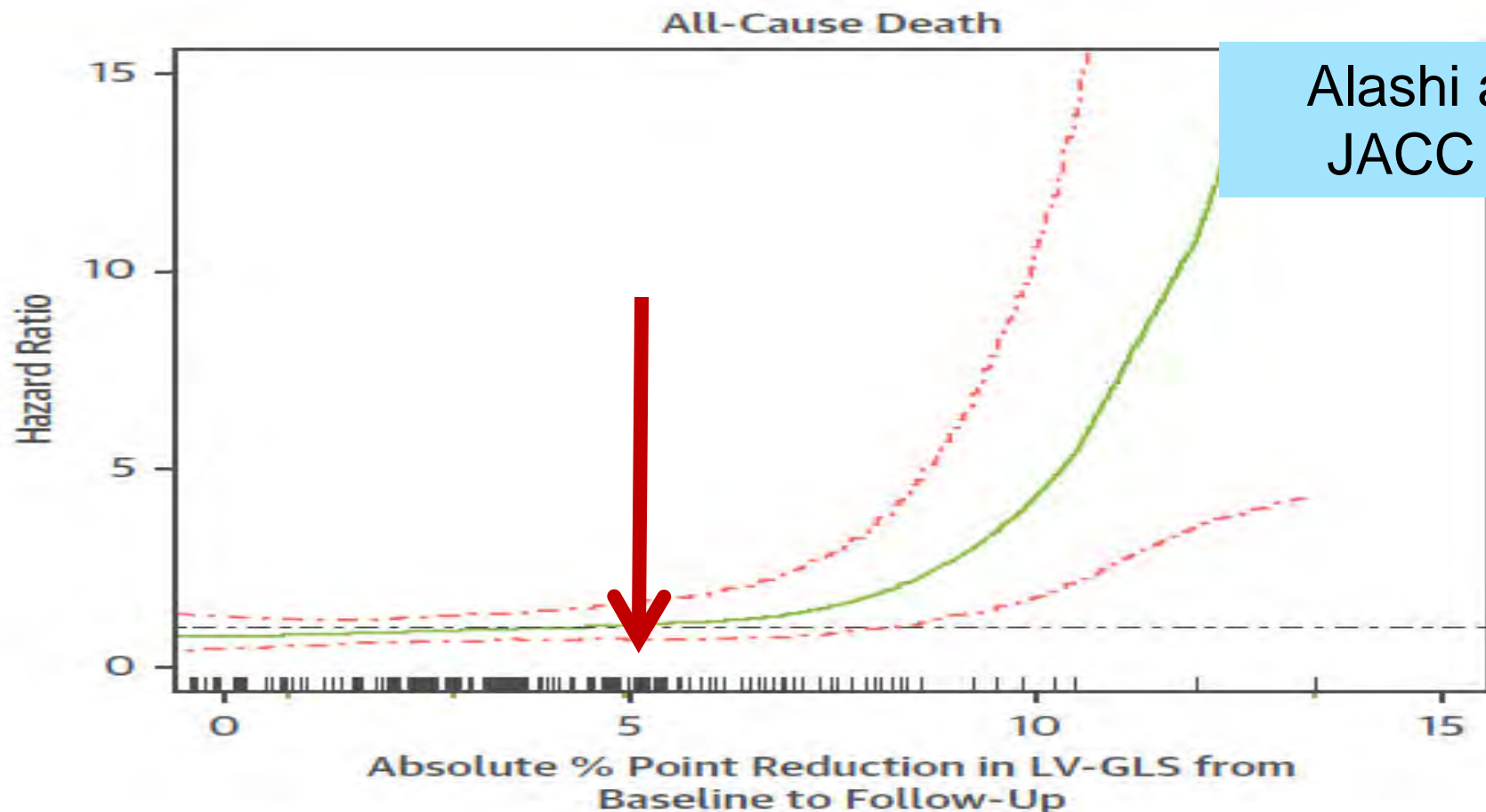
Stage 2

Stage 4



# LV Strain in Aortic Regurgitation

In patients with  $\geq 3+$  chronic AR and preserved LVEF undergoing AVR, a baseline LV-GLS value worse than 19% was associated with reduced survival. When returned for 3- and 12-month follow-up examinations, persistently impaired LV-GLS was associated with increased mortality.



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# “Valvulo-Myocardial Interaction”

**Valvular Heart Disease**



**Systolic or Diastolic Dysfunction**

Stenosis  
Regurgitation

LVH  
Fibrosis  
LV/RV Dilation  
LA/RA Dilation

▼ Ejection Fraction  
▲ Filling Pressure

# Exercise, Diastolic Function and Strain for VHD

- Exercise when the severity of VHD does not match with symptoms
- VHD intervention should be based on (in addition to symptoms)
  - Symptoms
  - Exercise response
  - Strain
  - Diastolic function
  - Evidence of fibrosis or myocardial dysfunction

**Please perform diastolic function and strain imaging  
for all VHD patients**



Thank you for listening!  
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