



Congestive Heart Failure Treatment & Update 2018

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Objectives



- Define Heart Failure (HF).
- New classification. Stages: ESC 2016.
- Identify current assessment and treatment modalities for heart failure.

Heart Failure Definition



- HF is a clinical syndrome characterized by **typical symptoms** (breathlessness, ankle swelling and fatigue)
- May accompanied by **signs** (elevated juglar venous pressure, pulmonary crackles and peripheral edema)
- Caused by structural and /or functional cardiac abnormality, resulting in a reduced C.O or elevated intracardiac pressure at rest or stress.

Stages of Heart Failure



At Risk for Heart Failure

Heart Failure

Stage A

At high risk for HF but without structural heart disease or symptoms of HF.

Stage B

Structural heart disease but without symptoms of HF.

Stage C

Structural heart disease with prior or current symptoms of HF.

Stage D

Refractory HF requiring specialized interventions.

e.g.: Patients with:

- hypertension
- atherosclerotic disease
- diabetes
- metabolic syndrome

or

Patients
-using cardiotoxins
-with HFx CM

Structural
Heart Disease

e.g.: Patients with:

- previous MI
- LV remodeling including LVH and low EF
- asymptomatic valvular disease

Development of
Symptoms of HF

e.g.: Patients with:

- known structural heart disease

and

- shortness of breath and fatigue, reduced exercise tolerance

Refractory Symptoms
of HF at Rest

e.g.: Patients

who have marked symptoms at rest despite maximal medical therapy (e.g., those who are recurrently hospitalized or cannot be safely discharged from the hospital without specialized interventions)

- Progressive nature of LV dysfunction
- Progress in *one* direction due to cardiac remodeling
- Patient can *move between* NYHA classes

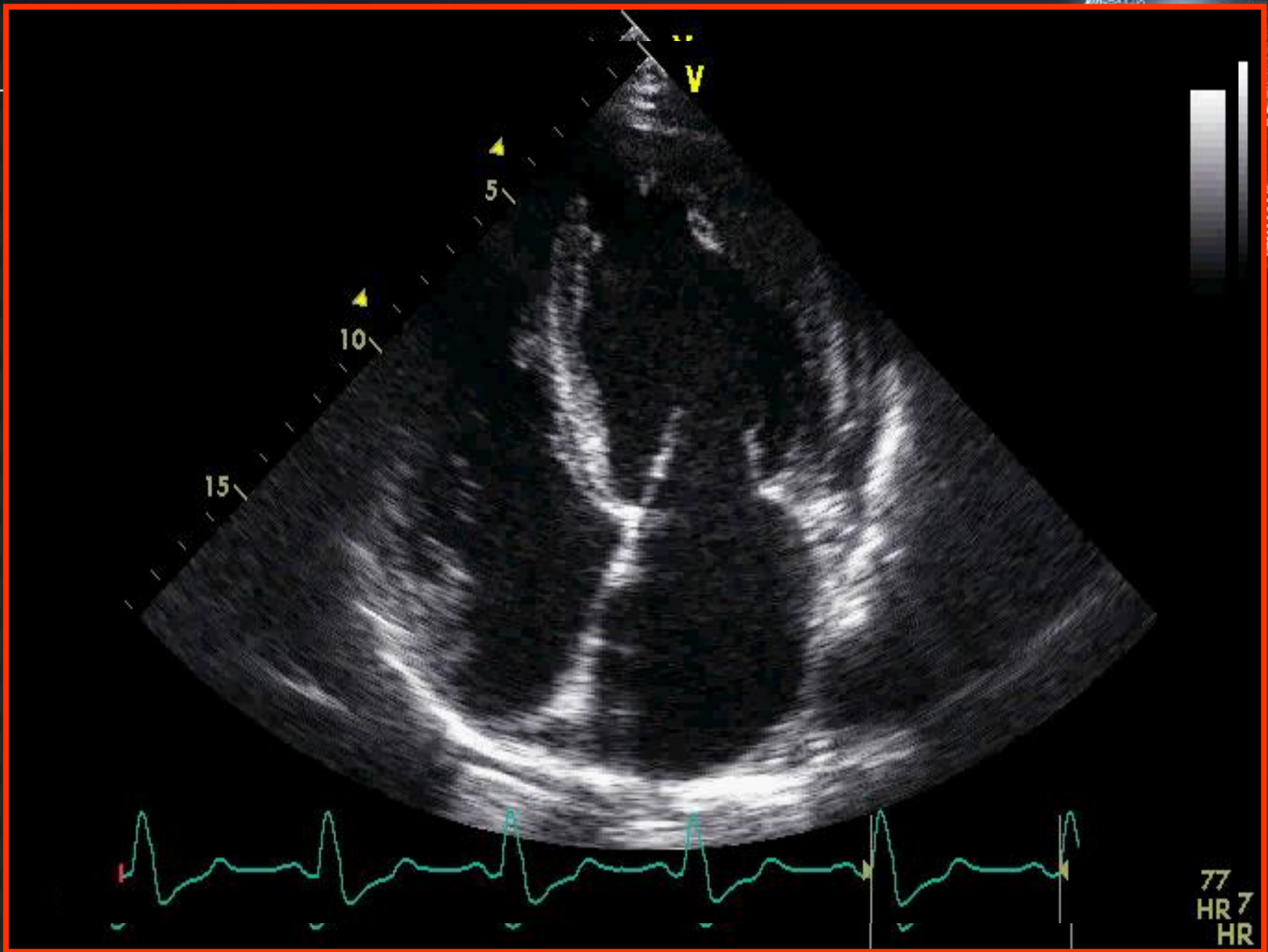
Case Presentation



- **53 years nice lady , was referred for evaluation**
- **Effort dyspnea, Cough, PND, in the last year.**
- **Medical history:**
- **1 - Ca of breast S/P Rt mastectomy, complete chemotherapy courses.**
- **2-HTN 3- Bronchial Asthma**
- **ECG: NSR; QRS=120msec; Normal axis.**
- **Treatment: Enaladex10mg*1; Symbicort inh. Prednison 5mg*1**

Physical exam: Prominent JVP; Lungs:- Bilaterale rales

Heart : Regular sounds, S3 Gallop.



Case Presentation



- What would you recommend for this patient?
- 1-Dimitone 3.125mg*2& stop prednisone.
- 2- Aldacon 12.5mg*1& stop Symbicort
- 3- Enaladex 10mg*2 & Fusid 40mg
- 4- All of the above.

CHF – FC II



– At follow up few months later she came back with Mild symptoms.

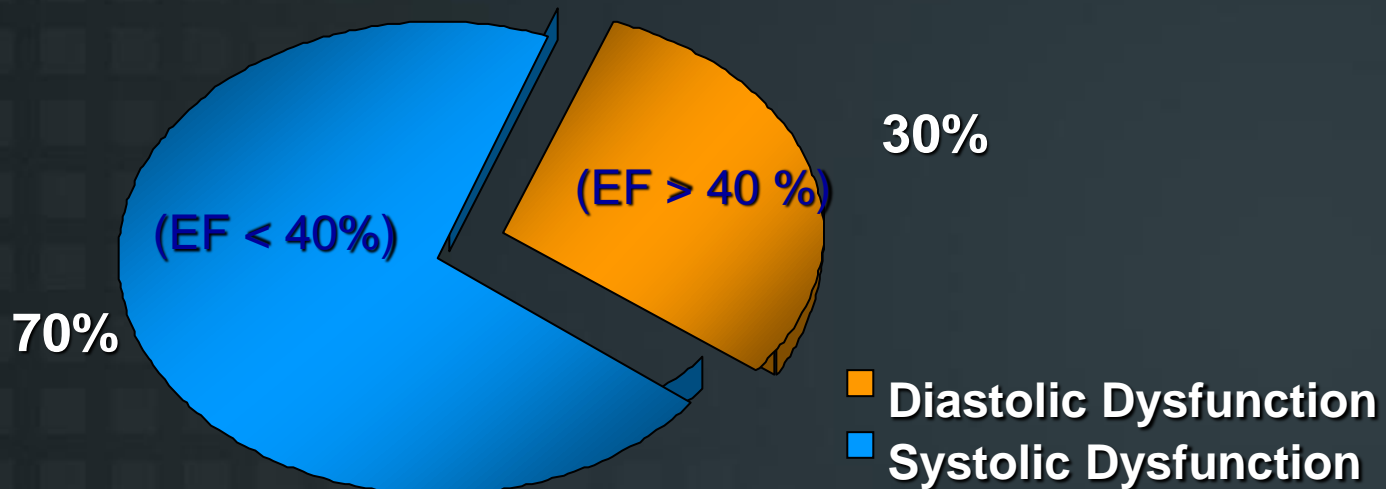
– What is the next step?

- 1- Send the patient for Cardiac Transplant?
- 2- Stop enaladex, give Entresto 50mg*2 ?
- 3- Evaluate for CRT-D?
- 4- Will answer at the end of Presentation?

Left Ventricular Dysfunction



- **Systolic:** Impaired contractility/ejection
 - Approximately two-thirds of heart failure patients have systolic dysfunction¹
- **Diastolic:** Impaired filling/relaxation



¹ Lilly, L. Pathophysiology of Heart Disease. Second Edition p 200

Definition of heart failure with preserved (HFpEF), mid-range (HFmrEF) and reduced ejection fraction (HFrEF) of heart failure



Type of HF		HFrEF	HFmrEF	HFpEF
CRITERIA	1	Symptoms ± Signs ^a	Symptoms ± Signs ^a	Symptoms ± Signs ^a
	2	LVEF <40%	LVEF 40–49%	LVEF ≥50%
	3	–	1. Elevated levels of natriuretic peptides ^b ; 2. At least one additional criterion: a. relevant structural heart disease (LVH and/or LAE), b. diastolic dysfunction (for details see Section 4.3.2).	1. Elevated levels of natriuretic peptides ^b ; 2. At least one additional criterion: a. relevant structural heart disease (LVH and/or LAE), b. diastolic dysfunction (for details see Section 4.3.2).

BNP= B-type natriuretic peptide; HF= heart failure; HFmrEF= heart failure with mid-range ejection fraction; HFpEF = heart failure with preserved ejection fraction; HFrEF= heart failure with reduced ejection fraction; LAE =left atrial enlargement; LVEF =left ventricular ejection fraction; LVH =left ventricular hypertrophy; NT-proBNP =N-terminal pro-B type natriuretic peptide.

aSigns may not be present in the early stages of HF (especially in HFpEF) and in patients treated with diuretics.
bBNP>35 pg/ml and/or NT-proBNP>125 pg/mL



Heart Failure



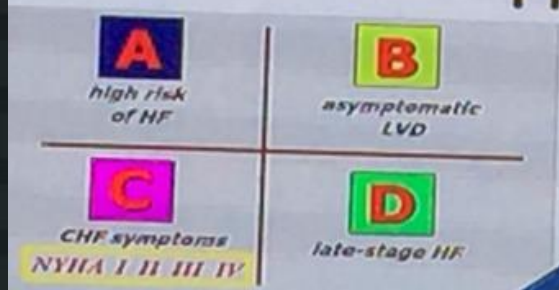
- **Prevalence**
 - Worldwide, 22 million¹
 - United States, 5.5 million²
- **Mortality**
- The absolute mortality rates for HF remain approximately 50% within 5 years of diagnosis
- 50% of these deaths occur suddenly

¹ World Health Statistics, World Health Organization,

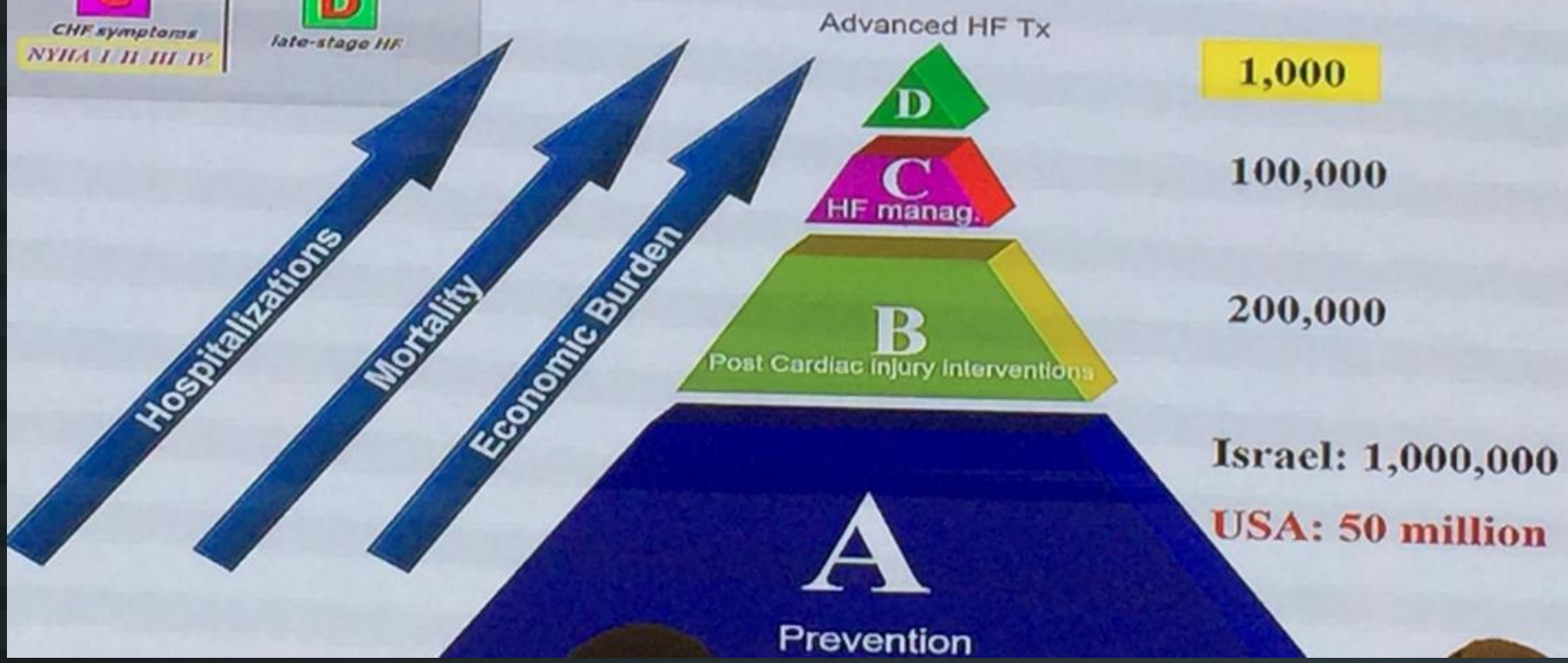
² American Heart Association Heart and Stroke Statistical Update.



The epidemiological hierarchy



130 pts at Waiting list



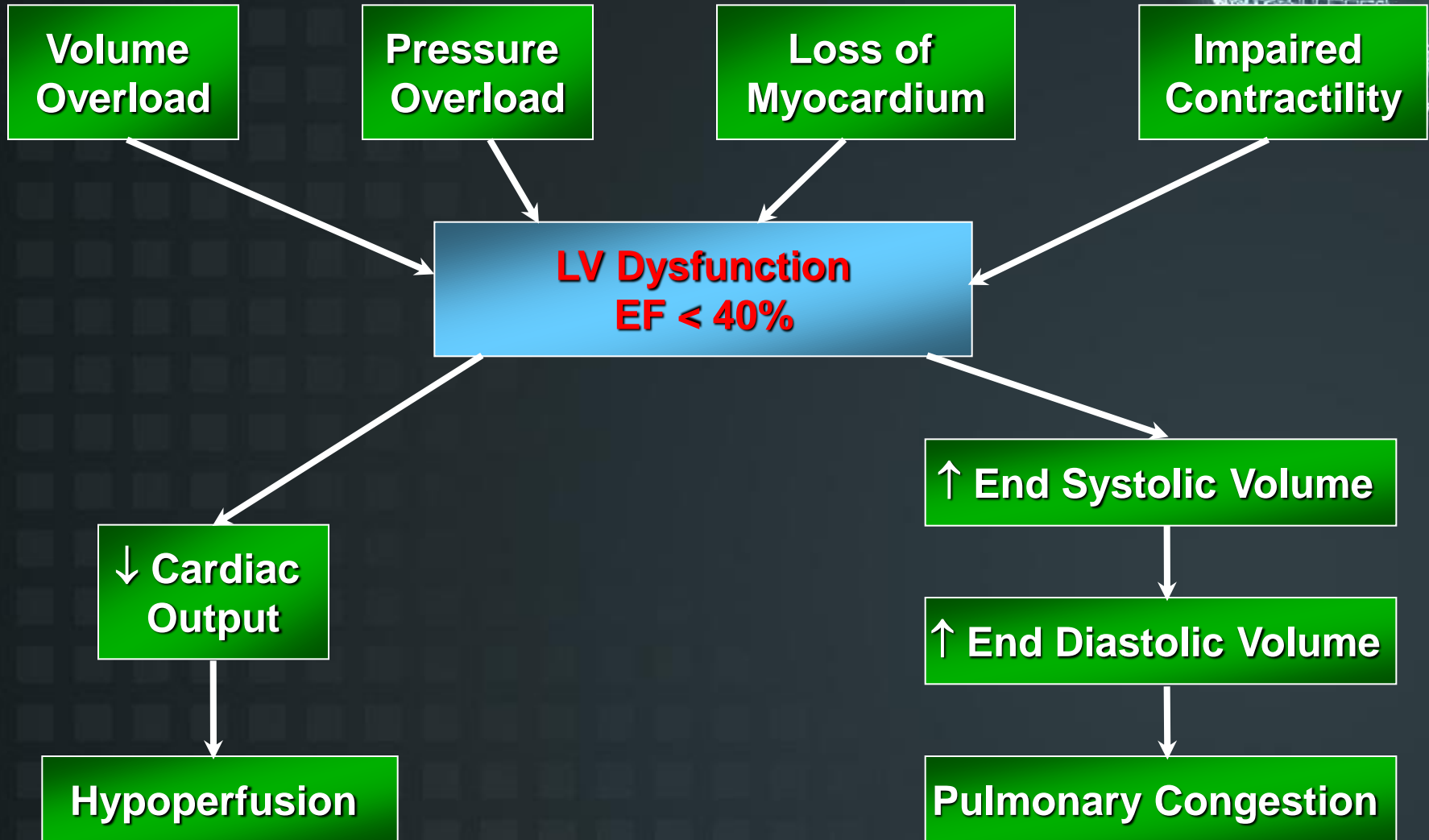
Etiology of Heart Failure



What causes heart failure?

- The loss of a critical quantity of functioning myocardial cells after injury to the heart due to:
 - Ischemic Heart Disease
 - Hypertension
 - Idiopathic Cardiomyopathy
 - Infections (e.g., viral myocarditis, Chagas' disease)
 - Toxins (e.g., alcohol or cytotoxic drugs)
 - Valvular Disease
 - Prolonged Arrhythmias

Left Ventricular Dysfunction





Left Heart Failure



- Elevated LVEDP
 - LAP
 - PVP
- Pulmonary congestion
- Dyspnea
- Orthopnea
- Cough
- Tiredness and lethargy

HFrEF-Medical therapy



DIGOXIN *1785 Dr William Wethering*
DIURETICS

ACEI 1990

ARB

BB

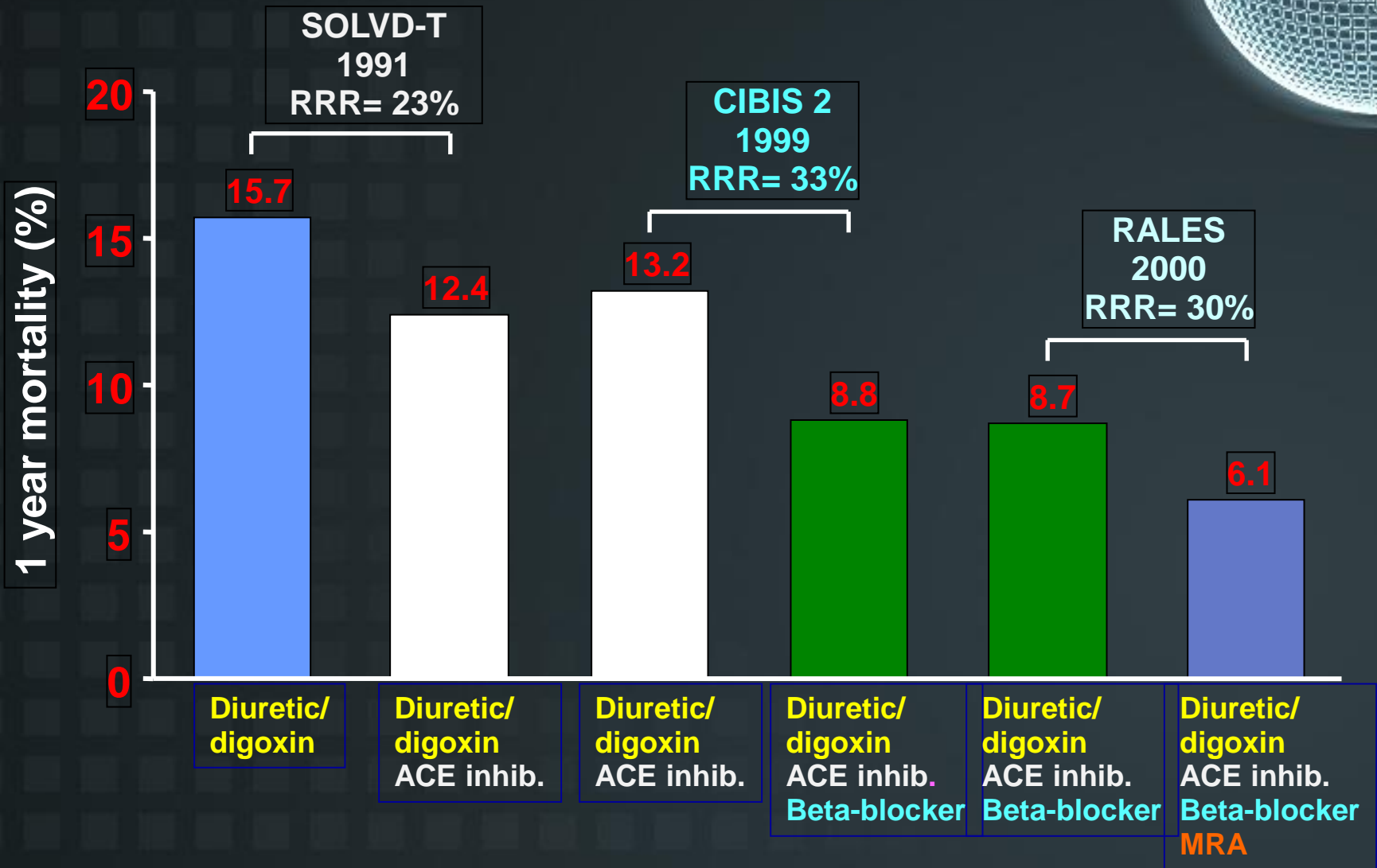
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HYDRALAZINE-ISOSORBIDE DINITRATE 2003

Ivabradine *2010*

ARNI=Entresto *2016*

Cumulative benefit of poly-pharmacy in HF

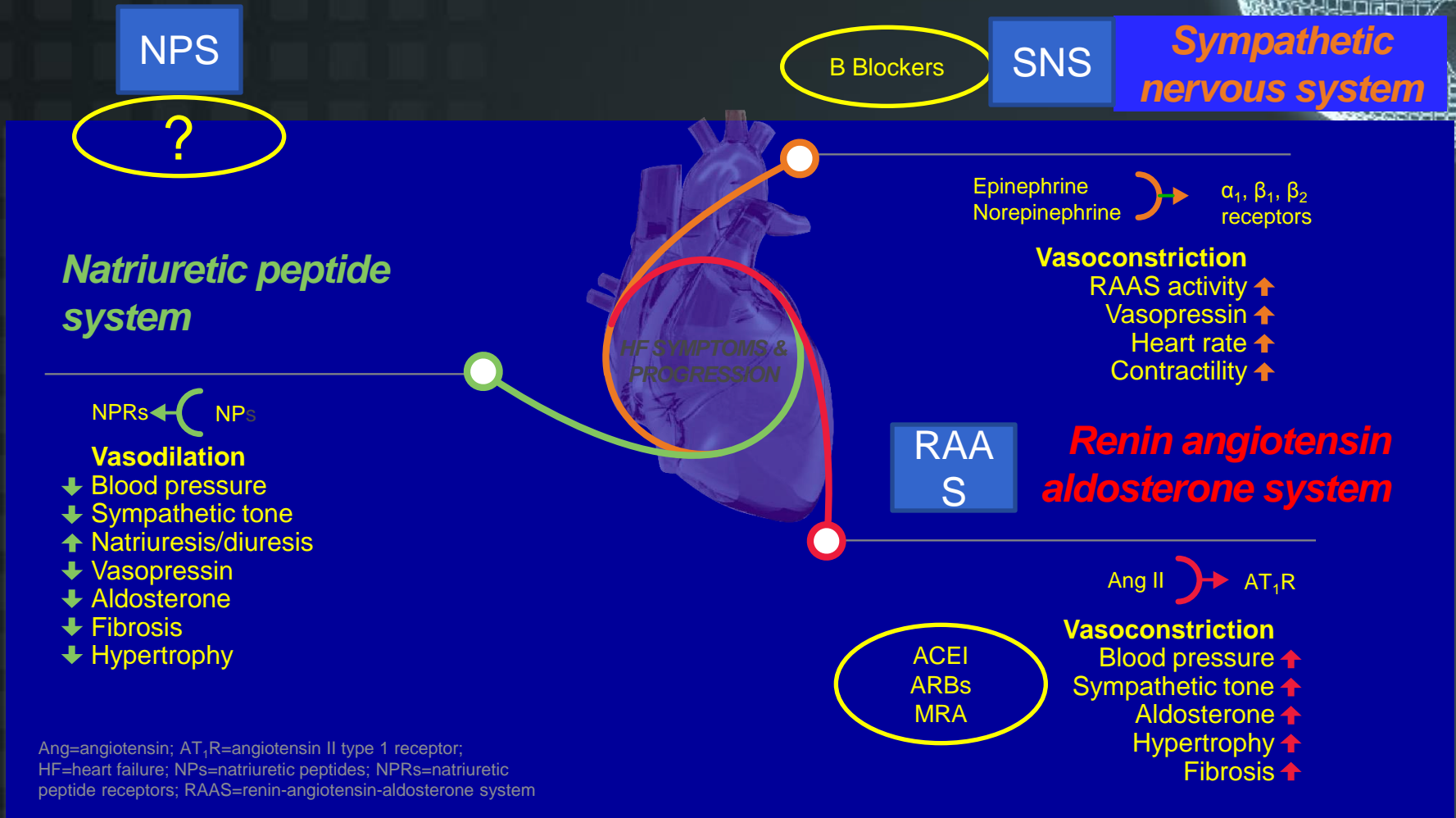


Ivabradine chronic heart failure) (selective sinus-node inhibitor) SHIFT Study



- 6558 patients were randomly assigned to treatment groups (3268 ivabradine, 3290 placebo). **EF<35%**
- The primary endpoint: Composite of CV death or hospital admission for worsening HF.
 - **24% vs 29% -18%**
(HR 0·82, 95% CI 0·75-0·90, p<0·0001).
- Hospital admissions for worsening HF
 - **21% vs 16% -26%**
(HR 0·74, 0·66—0·83; p<0·0001)

Pathophysiology of HFrEF



PARADIGM-HF

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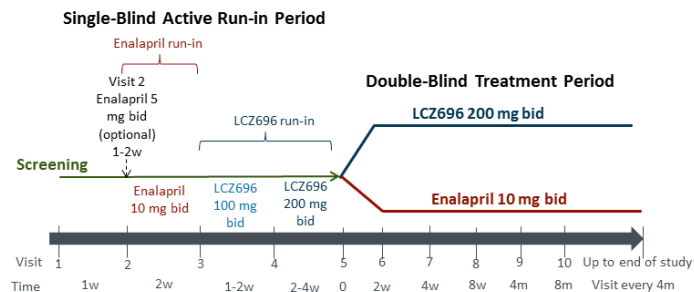
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Angiotensin–Neprilysin Inhibition versus Enalapril in Heart Failure

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PARADIGM-HF: Design

- Double-blind
- NYHA class II-IV CHF with EF \leq 40% (n=8442)
- Patients entered a single-blind enalapril run-in period (titrated to 10 mg bid), followed by a LCZ696 run-in period (100 mg titrated to 200 mg bid)
- 8442 patients were randomly assigned 1:1 to enalapril 10 mg bid or LCZ696 200 mg bid
- The primary outcome was a composite of CV death or hospitalization for HF



PARADIGM-HF: Significant Reductions in the Primary Endpoint With LCZ696 vs Enalapril

- Data monitoring committee recommended early termination, after a median follow-up of 27 months
- LCZ696 was superior to enalapril in reducing the primary endpoint of CV death or HF hospitalization

Outcome	LCZ696	Enalapril	HR (95% CI)	<i>P</i>
Primary composite outcome, %				
Death from CV causes or first hospitalization for worsening HF	21.8	26.5	0.80 (0.73-0.87)	<.001
Death from CV causes	13.3	16.5	0.80 (0.71-0.89)	<.001
First hospitalization for worsening HF	12.8	15.6	0.79 (0.71-0.89)	<.001

- The effect of LCZ696 was consistent across most prespecified subgroups

2016 ESC Guideline - Sacubitril/valsartan



Pharmacological treatments indicated in patients with symptomatic (NYHA Class II-IV) HFrEF

An **ACEi** is recommended, in addition to a beta blocker, for symptomatic patients with HFrEF to reduce the risk of HF hospitalization and death

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A **beta blocker** is recommended, in addition an ACEi, for patients with stable, symptomatic HFrEF to reduce the risk of HF hospitalization and death

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An **MRA** is recommended for patients with HFrEF, who remain symptomatic despite treatment with an ACEi and a beta-blocker, to reduce the risk of HF hospitalization and death

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Sacubitril/valsartan is recommended as a **replacement for an ACEi** to further reduce the risk of HF hospitalization and death in ambulatory patients with HFrEF who remain symptomatic despite optimal treatment with an ACEi, a beta-blocker and an MRA*

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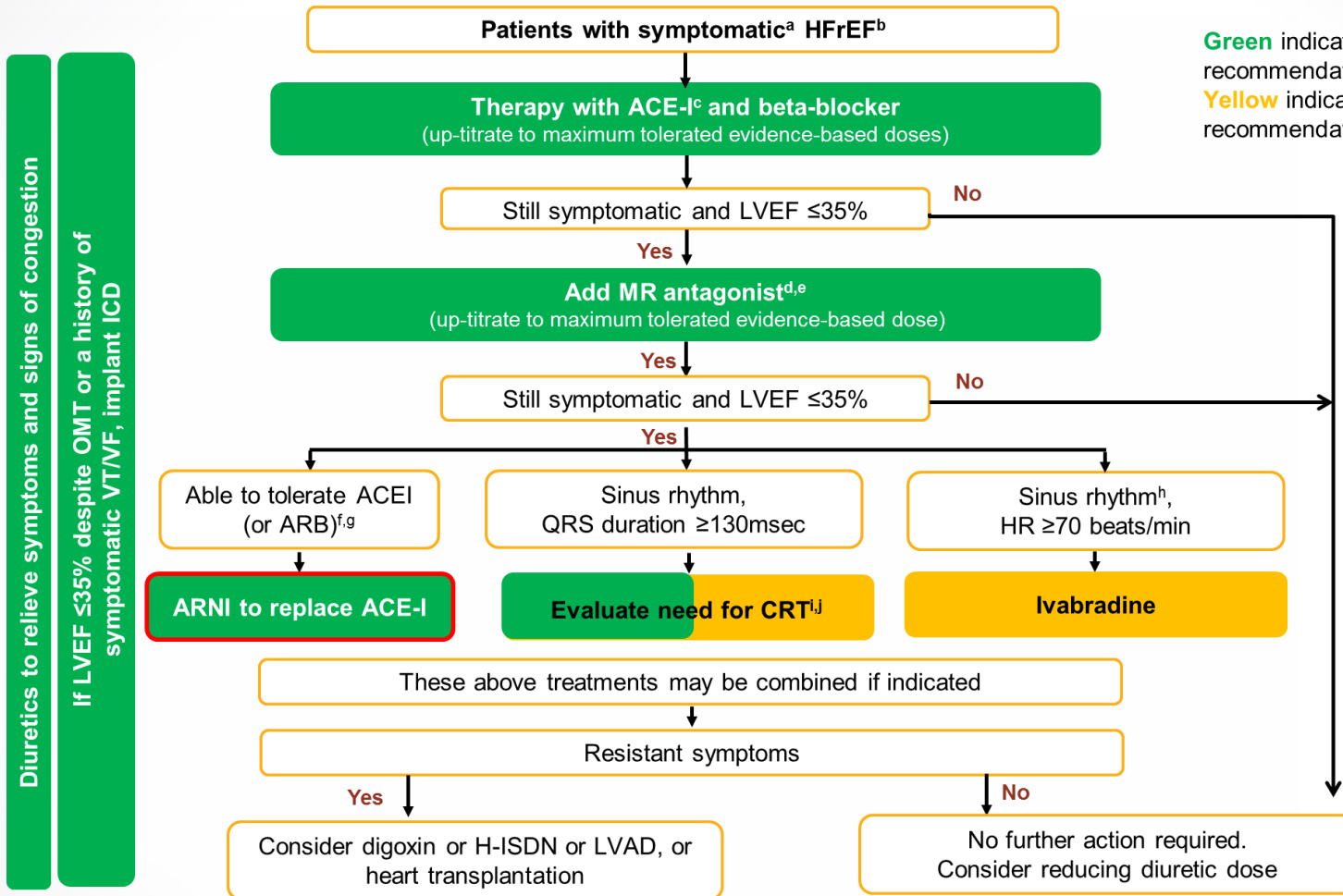
*Patient should have elevated natriuretic peptides (plasma BNP ≥ 150 pg/mL or plasma NT-proBNP ≥ 600 pg/mL, or if HF hospitalization within the last 12 months, plasma BNP ≥ 100 pg/mL or plasma NT-proBNP ≥ 400 pg/mL) and able to tolerate enalapril 10 mg b.i.d.

ACC, American College of Cardiology; AHA, American Heart Association; ACEi, angiotensin-converting-enzyme inhibitor; ARB, angiotensin II receptor blocker; ARNI, angiotensin receptor neprilysin inhibitor; CV, cardiovascular; ESC, European Society of Cardiology; HF, heart failure; HFSA, Heart Failure Society of America; HFrEF, HF with reduced ejection fraction; NYHA, New York Heart Association

2016 ESC Guideline Treatment Algorithm



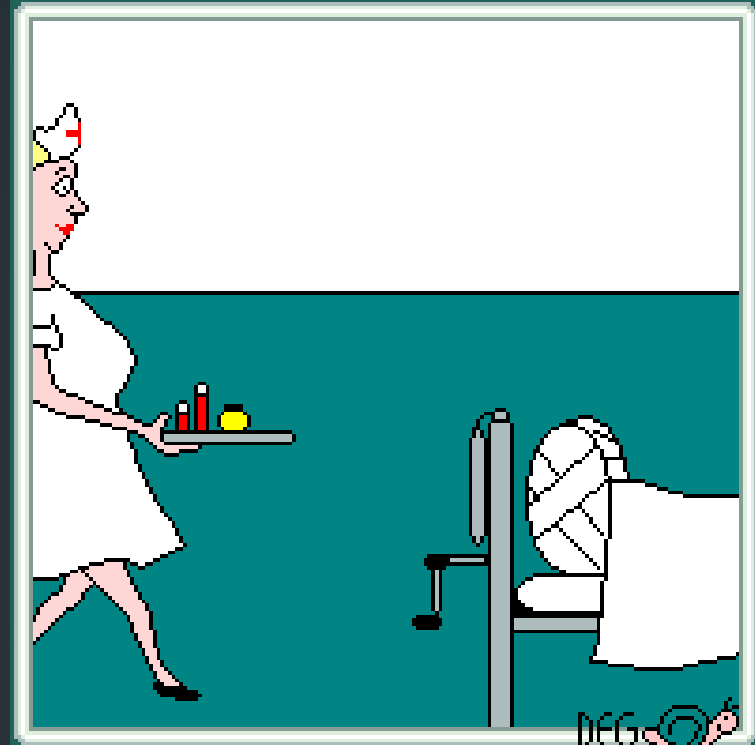
Green indicates a **class I** recommendation;
Yellow indicates a **class IIa** recommendation.



^aSymptomatic=NYHA Class II-IV; ^bHFrEF=LVEF<40%; ^cIf ACEI not tolerated/contra-indicated, use ARB; ^dIf MR antagonist not tolerated/contra-indicated, use ARB; ^eWith a hospital admission for HF within the last 6 months or with elevated natriuretic peptides (BNP >250 pg/ml or NTproBNP >500 pg/ml in men and 750 pg/ml in women); ^fWith an elevated plasma NP level (BNP \geq 150 pg/mL or plasma NT-proBNP \geq 600 pg/mL, or if HF hospitalization within recent 12 months plasma BNP \geq 100 pg/mL or plasma NT-proBNP \geq 400 pg/mL); ^gIn doses equivalent to enalapril 10 mg *b.i.d.*; ^hWith a hospital admission for HF within the previous year; ⁱCRT is recommended if QRS \geq 130 msec and LBBB (in sinus rhythm); ^jCRT should/may be considered if QRS \geq 130 msec with non-LBBB (in a sinus rhythm) or for patients in AF provided a strategy to ensure bi-ventricular capture in place (individualized decision)

Cardiac Failure - Community Approach

- The nurses role
- Input and output charts
- Telephone conversations
- Daily weights
- Home biochemical monitoring
- 24 hour ECG monitoring



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- metabolic syndrome

or

Patients

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Structural
Heart Disease

Therapy Goals

- Treat hypertension
- Encourage smoking cessation
- Treat lipid disorders
- Encourage regular exercise
- Discourage alcohol intake, illicit drug use
- Control metabolic syndrome

Drugs

- ACEI or ARB in appropriate patients (see text) for vascular disease or diabetes

Stage B

Structural heart disease but without symptoms of HF.

e.g.: Patients with:

- previous MI
- LV remodeling including LVH and low EF
- asymptomatic valvular disease

Development of
Symptoms of HF

Therapy Goals

- All measures under stage A

Drugs

- ACEI or ARB in appropriate patients (see text)
- Beta-blockers in appropriate patients (see text)

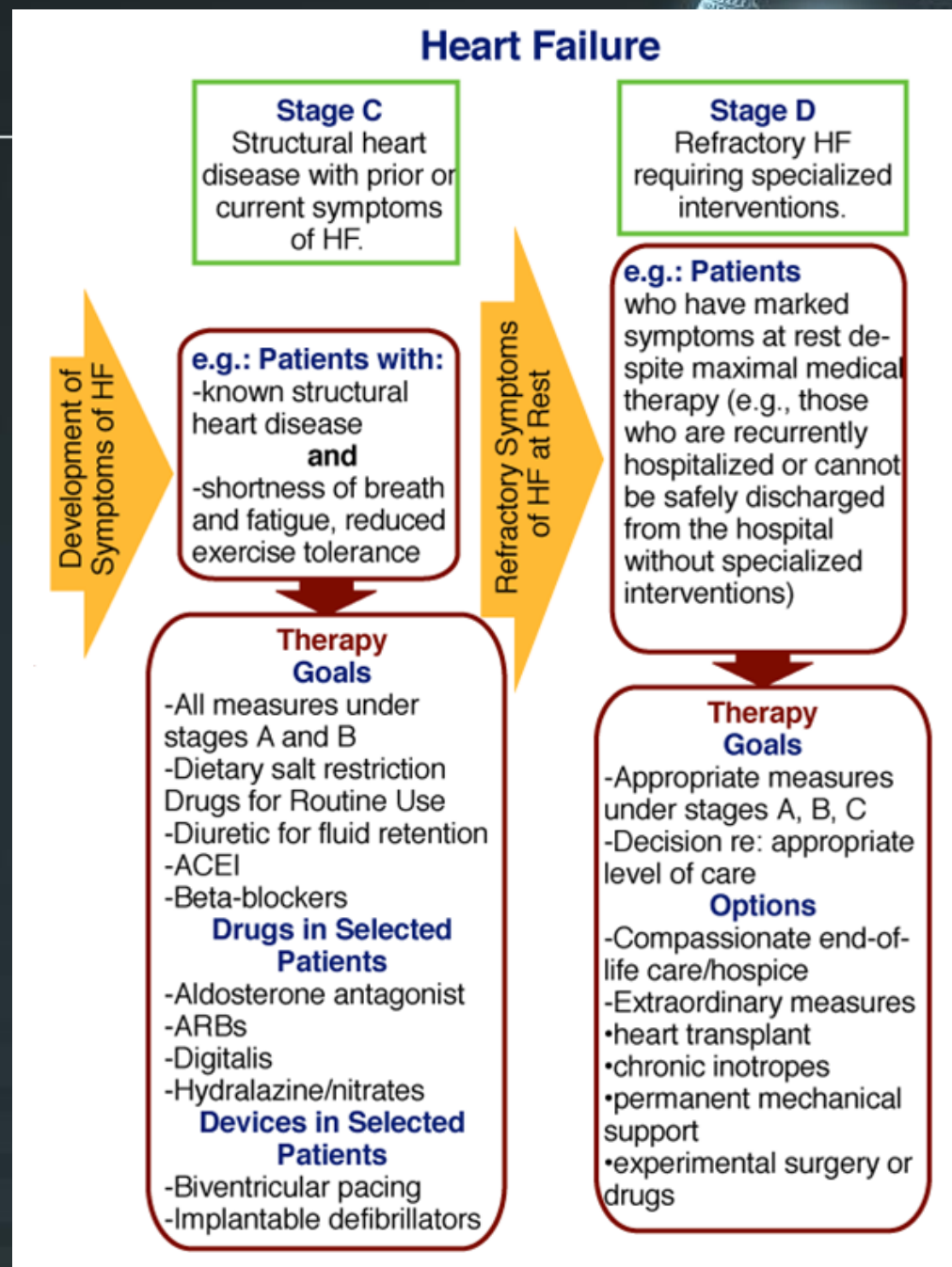
Devices in Selected Patients

- Implantable defibrillators

- Stage A emphasizes *preventability*
- Stage B is asymptomatic LV dysfunction



- “typical” patient is in Stage C
- Increasing numbers of patients with Stage D
 - Palliation is appropriate



Case Presentation



- **What is the next step?**
- 1- Add diuretics Disothiazide 25mg?
- 2- Stop enaladex, give Entresto 50mg*2 ?
- 3- Send the patient for cardiac Transplant?
- 4- Evaluate for CRT-D?

Take Home Messages



- Heart failure is a chronic, progressive disease that is generally not curable, but treatable. It is detectable in the community and preventable.
- consumes a considerable proportion of health care resources
- Recent guidelines promote lifestyle modifications and medical management with ACE inhibitors or ARNI Entresto, beta blockers, MRA, and diuretics. It is estimated 15%-20% of all heart failure patients may be candidates for cardiac resynchronization therapy.
- Close follow-up of the heart failure patient is essential, with necessary adjustments in max. medical management

Challenges for - 2019



- Increase the numbers with an accurate diagnosis.
- Establish pts on evidence based therapies.
- Avoiding adverse effect from treatment.
- Working in a team with **FP specialist and nurses.**



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