

# The Difference of Left Ventricular Diastolic Function between Asymptomatic and Symptomatic Patients with Moderate to Severe Aortic Stenosis

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# *Background*

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- **Aortic stenosis is a disorder of the heart characterized by fixed LV outflow tract obstruction, LV remodeling, and progressive diastolic dysfunction.**
- **Many of the clinical and pathologic features of AS results from diastolic dysfunction.**

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- **Although impaired diastolic function is common in AS, little is known about the effect of diastolic dysfunction in presence of symptom.**

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- **Asymptomatic patients with moderate AS have impaired LV systolic function as measured by reduced peak systolic tissue velocity and strain.**

*Steine et al. Am J Cardiol 2008;102:897-901*

- **In patients with mild to moderate asymptomatic AS, TDI measures of diastolic dysfunction are abnormal and relate to the severity of AS.**

*Jassal et al. J Am Soc Echocardiogr 2008;21:1023-1027*

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## *Aim*

to investigate the difference of LV diastolic function between asymptomatic and symptomatic patients with moderate to severe Aortic stenosis

# *Methods*

# Study Design

- We retrospectively reviewed the clinical and echocardiographic data that were prospectively collected moderate to severe AS from 2003 to 2009.

(n=1,055: men 559: age  $66.8 \pm 12.4$  yrs)

- Exclusion criteria
  - Significant other valvular disease
  - EF <50%
  - IHD



# Study Design

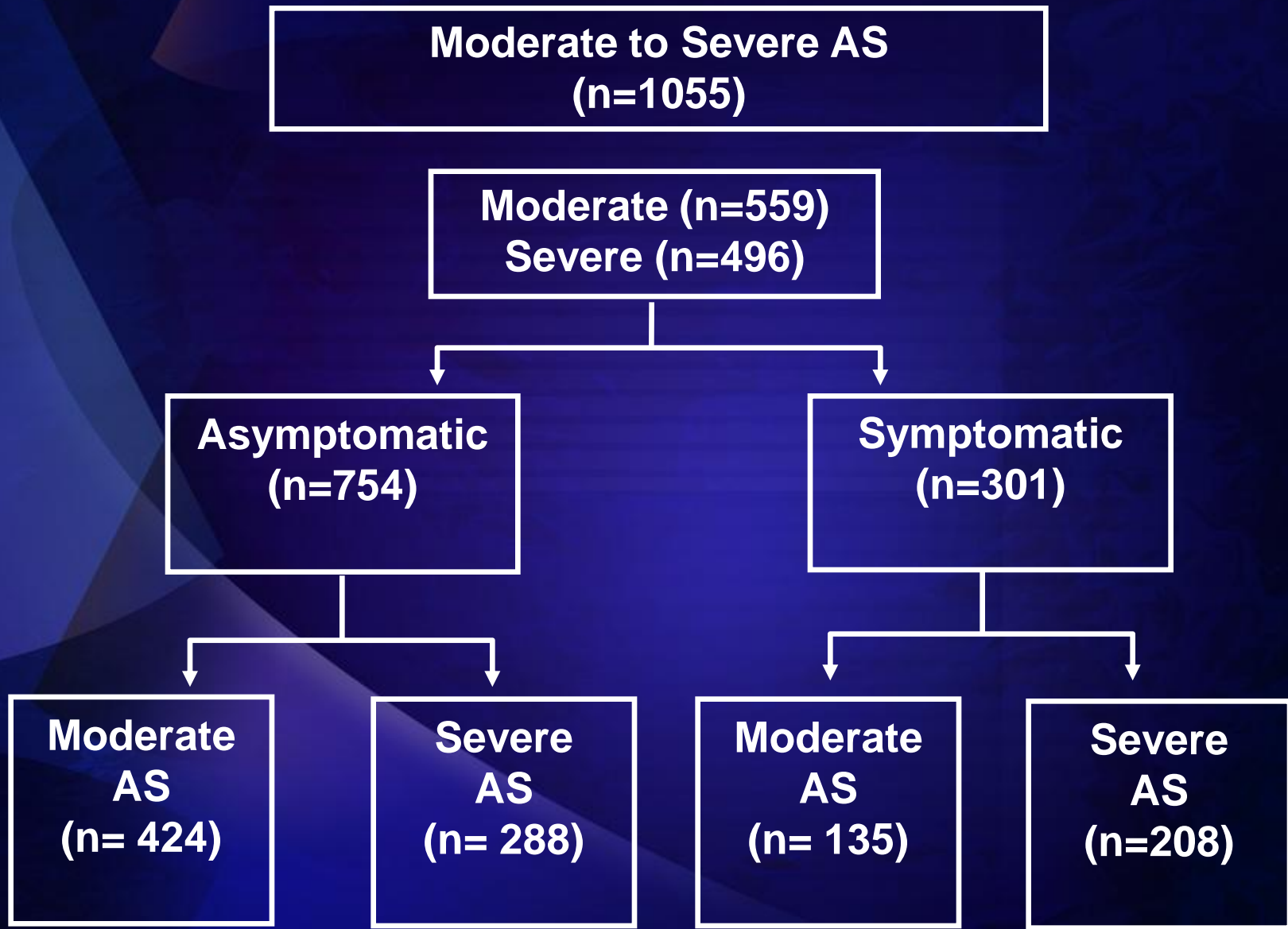
- **Symptomatic AS**  
**: Presence of symptoms at baseline**  
**Exertional dyspnea**  
**Angina**  
**Syncope**  
**Presyncope**

# Echocardiographic measurements

- **M-mode, 2D, Doppler parameters**
- **Anatomic measurement were made according to ASE guideline.**
- **AS severity**
  - **Mean aortic valve gradient (mmHg)**
  - **AVA (cm<sup>2</sup>)**
  - **Peak AV jet velocity (m/sec)**

# Aortic Stenosis - Severity

	Vmax (m/s)	Mean PG (mmHg)	AVA (cm <sup>2</sup> )	LVOT/AV TVI ratio
Mild	< 3.0	< 25	1.5-2.0	> 0.5
Moderate	3.0-4.0	30-40	1.0-1.5	0.25-0.5
Severe	> 4.0	> 40	< 1.0	< 0.25



# *Results*

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## Clinical Characteristics

	Asymptomatic (n=712)	Symptomatic (n=343)	<i>P</i>
Age, year	65.9±12.8	68.9±10.8	.001
Gender, Male	402(56.5%)	191(55.7%)	.81
BMI, cm/kg <sup>2</sup>	24.8±3.7	23.7±3.4	.70
SBP (mmHg)	137.5±22.9	135.7±25.9	.86
DBP (mmHg)	76.1±13.3	75.7±14.1	.69
HR (b.p.m)	74±13.4	73.6±13.1	.91
Smoking, %	143(20)	80(23.4)	.75
Hypertension, %	421(59.4)	216(63)	.58
DM, %	206(29)	113(33)	.51
Hyperchol., %	178(25)	106(31)	.56

# Results

## Clinical Parameters

	Asymptomatic (n=754)	Symptomatic (n=343)	<i>P</i>
T. Chol	178.1±44.8	168.8±32.7	.48
LDL- Chol	113±37.2	107.2±34.2	.52
HDL-Chol	47.5±14.8	46±12.6	.87
TG	269.1±253	256±81	.54
Glucose	123.9±38.2	127.5±26.0	.59
Calcium	9.0±0.6	8.6±0.5	.76
Uric acid	5.7±1.4	5.9±1.5	.88
Creatinine	1.1±0.3	0.96±0.19	.66

# Results

## Echocardiographic parameters (1)

	Asymptomatic (n=754)	Symptomatic (n=343)	P
LVIDd, mm	51.7±5.7	51.9±6.1	.51
LVIDs, mm	30.5±4.8	30.7±5.2	.58
IVSd, mm	10.7±2.5	11.2±2.2	.01
LVPWd, mm	10.3±1.9	10.9±1.8	<.001
LA, mm	42.6±7.5	44.2±8.4	.001
Aorta, mm	32.9±4.6	32.8±4.9	.75
RWT	0.41±0.09	0.43±0.11	.001
LVMI, g/m <sup>2</sup>	158.3±52.8	171.6±48.9	<.001
LVEF, %	64.9±6.5	64.7±6.9	.70
LAVI, cc/m <sup>2</sup>	45.7±24.6	53.9±22.1	.07



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## Echocardiographic parameters (2)

	Asymptomatic (n=754)	Symptomatic (n=343)	<i>P</i>
E velocity, m/s	0.84±0.39	1.13±0.58	<.001
A velocity, m/s	1.09±0.98	1.07±0.37	.91
E/A ratio	0.91±0.56	0.99±0.56	.03
DT (ms)	290.9±159	312.2±160	.06
E' <sub>septal</sub> , m/s	0.057±0.018	0.052±0.018	<.001
E/E' <sub>septal</sub> ratio	14.9±7.1	22.2±12.02	<.001

# Results

## Echocardiographic parameters (3)

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	Asymptomatic (n=754)	Symptomatic (n=343)	<i>P</i>
Peak AV velocity, m/s	4.09±0.77	4.4±0.85	<0.001
Mean Pr. Gr., mmHg	39.4±16.9	47.4±19.7	<0.001
AVA, cm <sup>2</sup>	0.96±0.28	0.84±0.25	<0.001

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# Results

	Univariate Analysis		Multivariate Analysis	
	P	HR (95% CI)	P	HR (95% CI)
age	.001	1.018(1.007-1.029)	.006	1.022(1.006-1.037)
RWT	<.001	2.208(1.374-3.386)	NS	
LVMi	.001	1.005(1.002-1.008)	NS	
LA	.001	1.027(1.01-1.044)	NS	
E	<.001	3.379(2.544-4.488)	NS	
E/A	.035	1.301(1.019-1.662)	NS	
E'	<.001	1.17(1.089-1.044)	NS	
E/E'	<.001	1.09(1.07-1.11)	<.001	1.086(1.064-1.108)
Vmax	<.001	1.762(1.492-2.082)	<.001	1.559(1.268-1.915)
mean PG	<.001	1.024(1.017-1.031)	NS	
AVA	<.001	0.189(0.112-0.32)	NS	

# Summary

- 1. In symptomatic AS group, age was older, E/E'sep was higher, RWT and LVMI were higher than asymptomatic AS group.**
- 2. In multivariate analysis, age, E/E', and peak AV velocity are independent predictor.**

# Conclusions

- **Symptomatic patients with moderate to severe AS have impaired LV relaxation and increased LV filling pressure compared with asymptomatic AS patients.**
- **These results underline the importance of diastolic dysfunction as a severity index in patients with AS.**