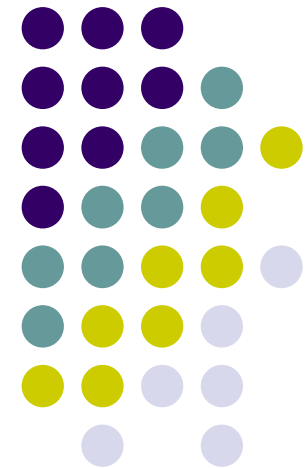


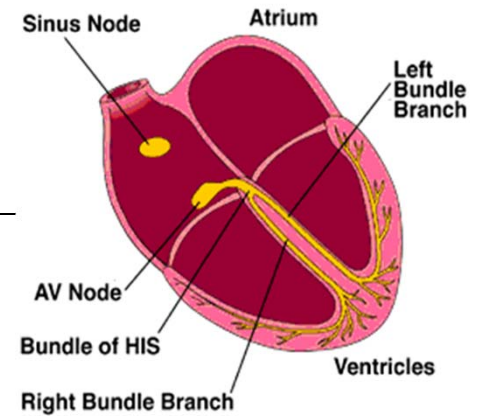
Understanding hemodynamics in various arrhythmic conditions with (tissue) doppler echo

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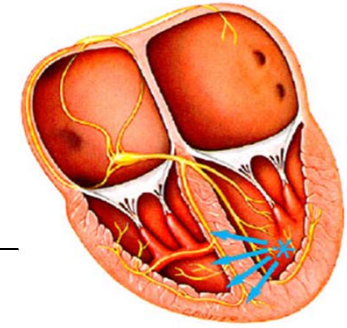
Various arrhythmia

- **Bradyarrhythmia**
 - Sinus bradycardia
 - Sick sinus syndrome
 - Sinus arrest
- **Atrio-ventricular block**
 - 1st degree AVB
 - 2nd degree AVB
 - Complete AVB
- **Bundle branch block**
 - Left bundle branch block
 - Right bundle branch block
 - Fascicular block

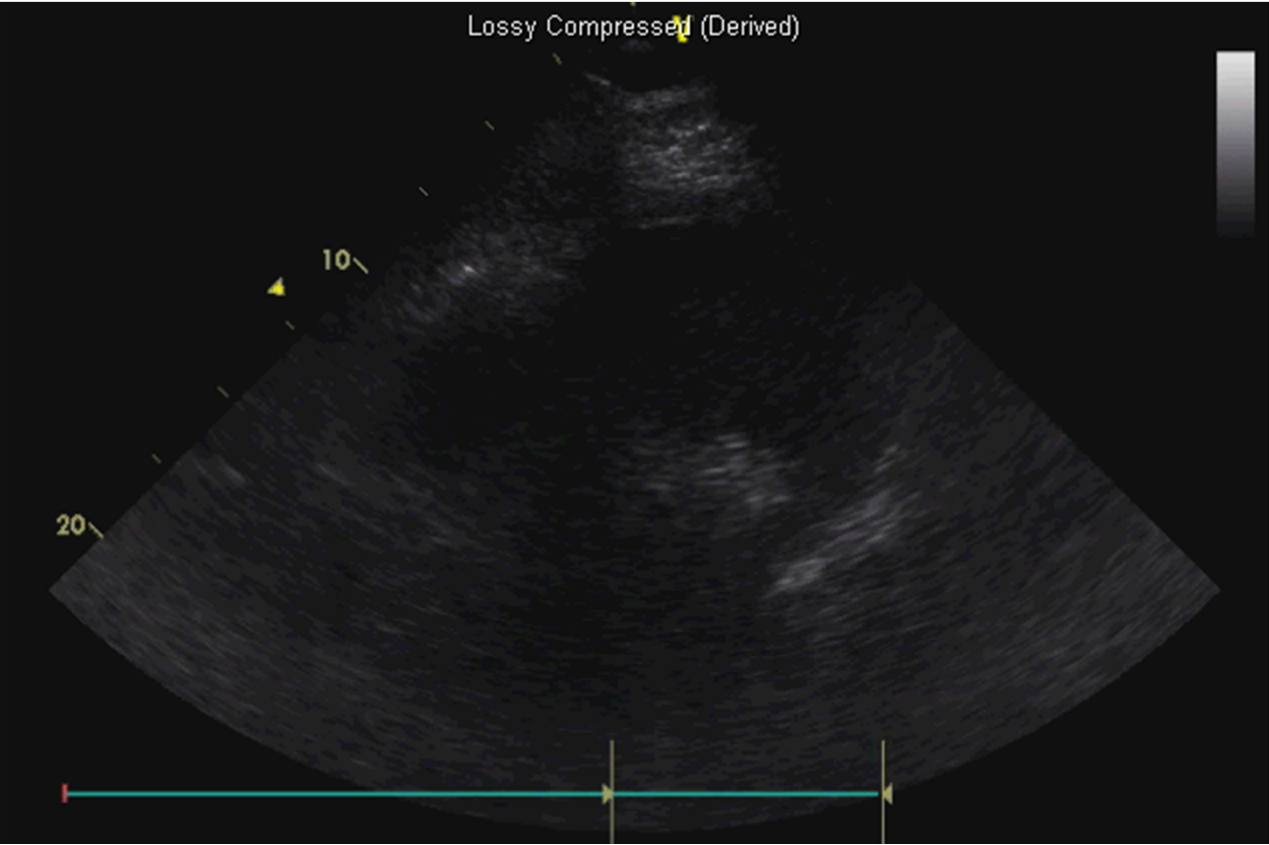


**Cardiac
Resynchronization
Therapy**

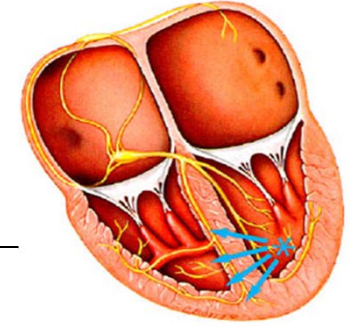
Various arrhythmia



- **Supraventricular arrhythmia**
 - Sinus tachycardia
 - Atrial fibrillation
 - Atrial flutter
 - Paroxysmal supraventricular tachycardia
 - Atrial tachycardia
 - Junctional tachycardia
- **Ventricular tachycardia**
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Various arrhythmia



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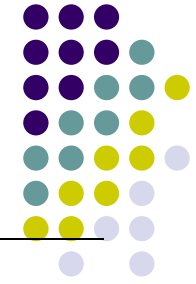
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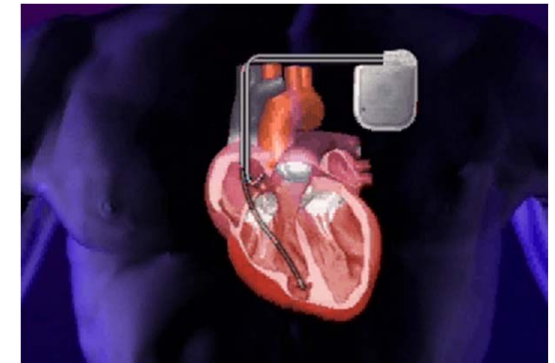
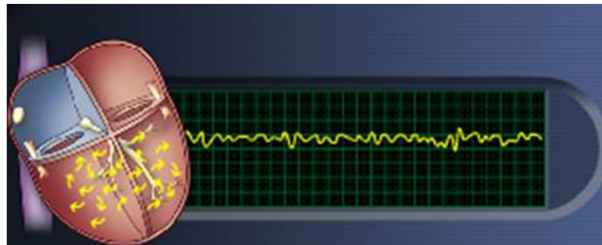
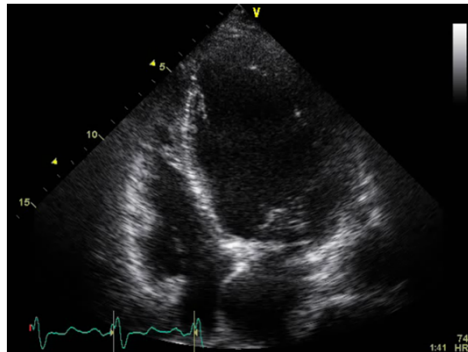
- Ventricular tachycardia
- Ventricular fibrillation

**Prevention
of SCD**

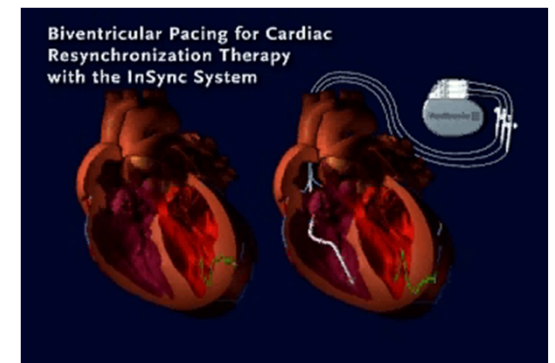
Causes of death



Arrhythmia → ICD



Pump failure → CRT

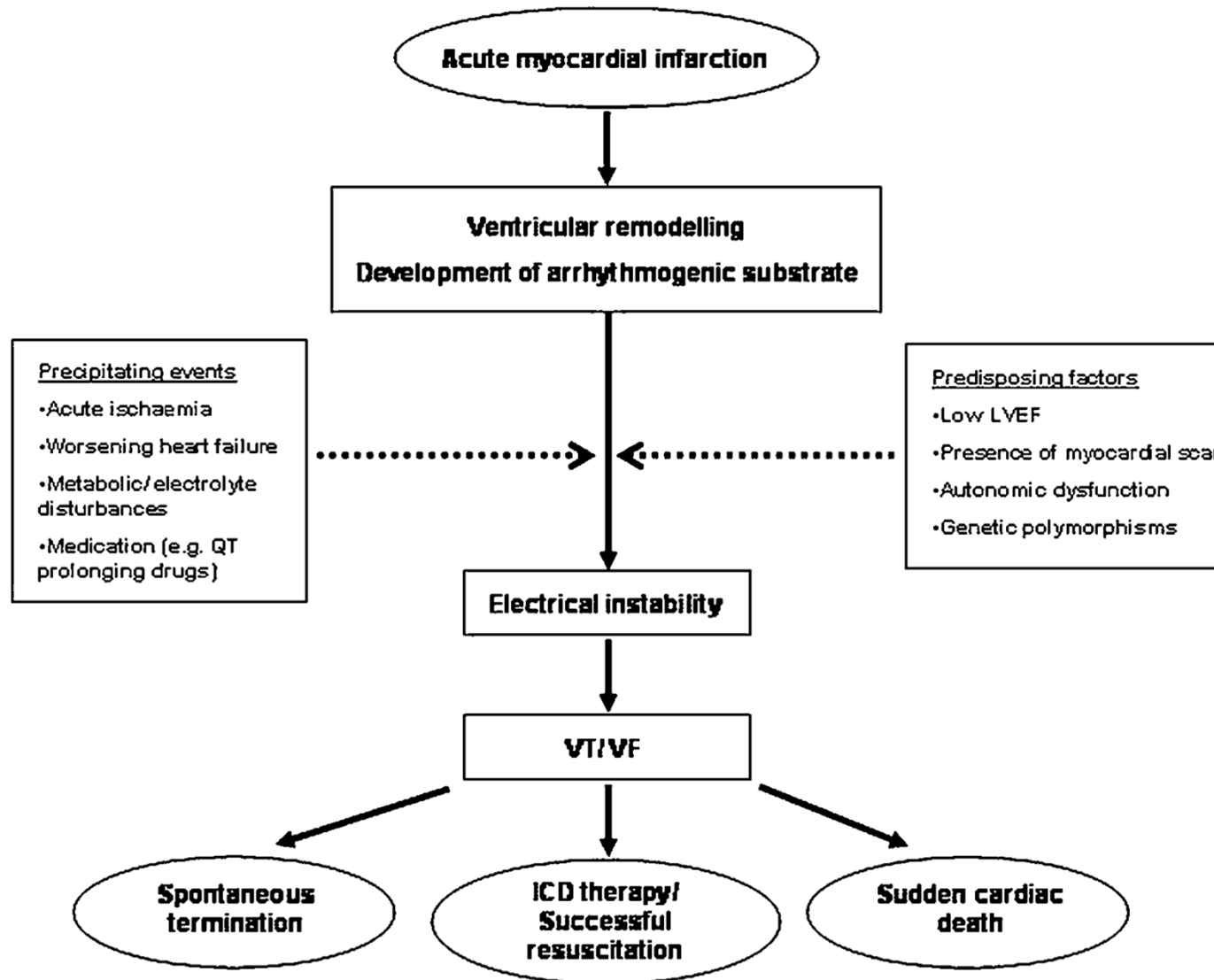


Ventricular tachycardia

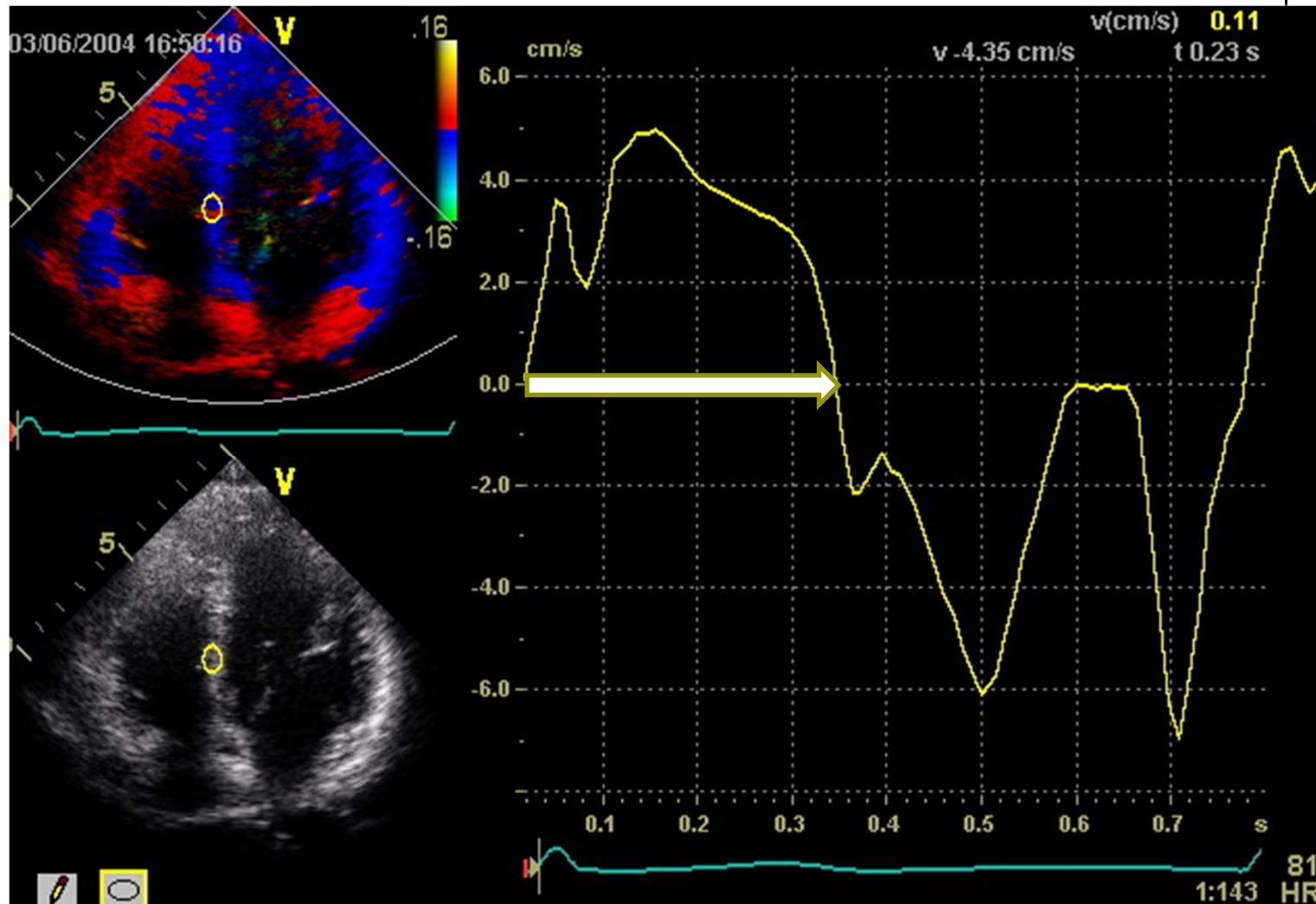


- **Channelopathy**
 - Brugada syndrome
 - Long QT syndrome
- **Arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy**
- **Cardiomyopathy**
- **Post-myocardial infarction**

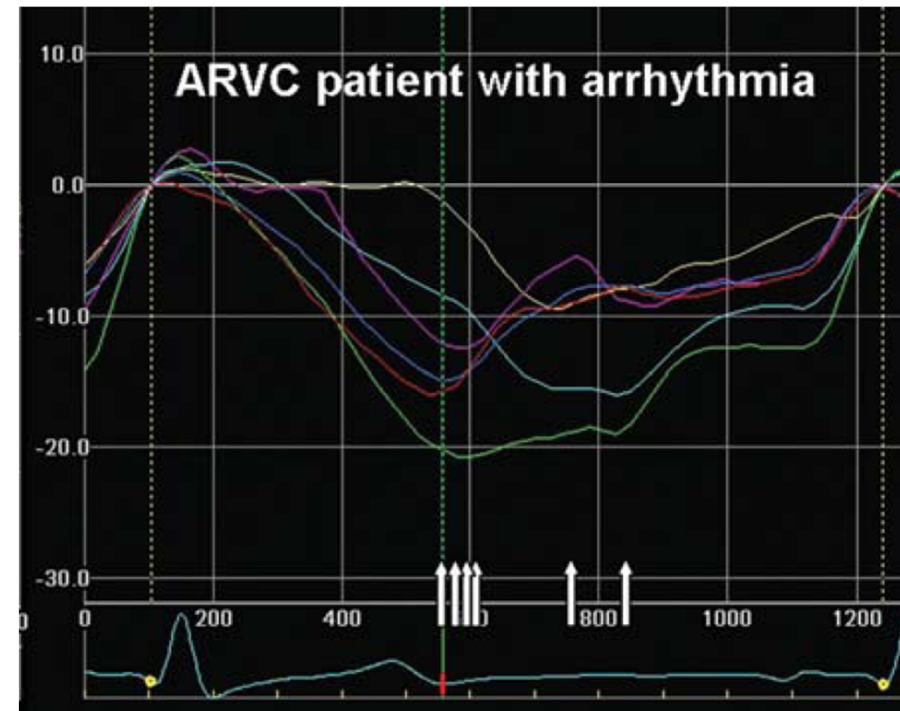
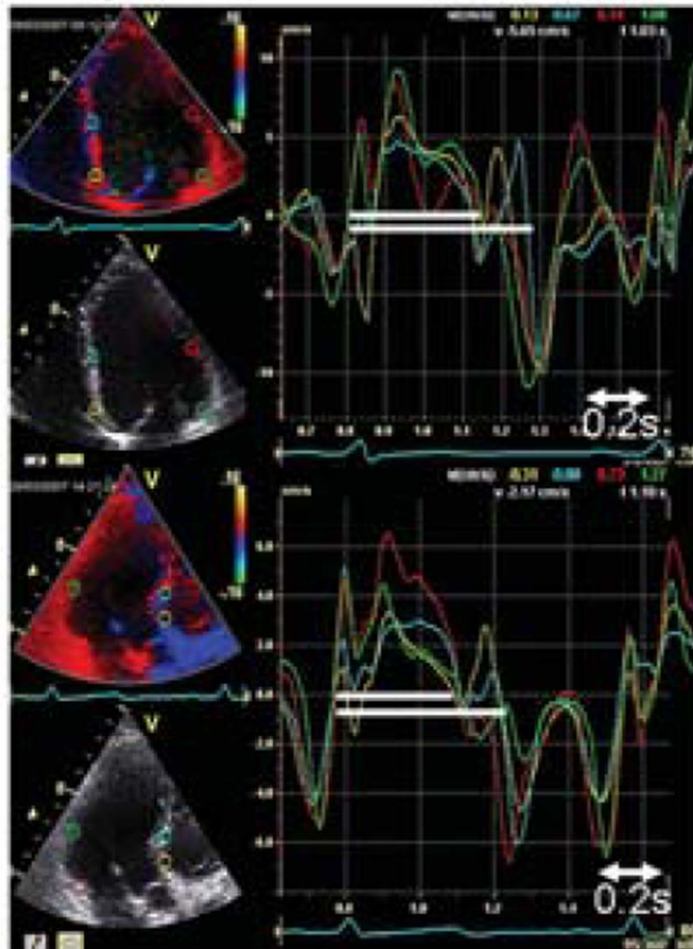
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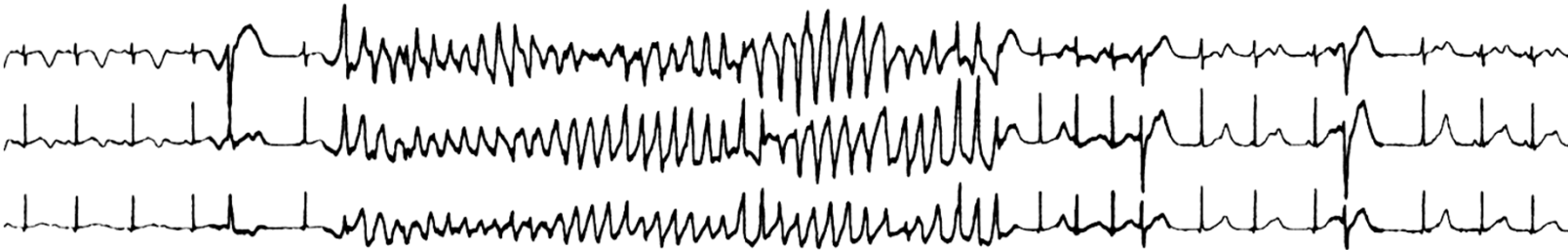
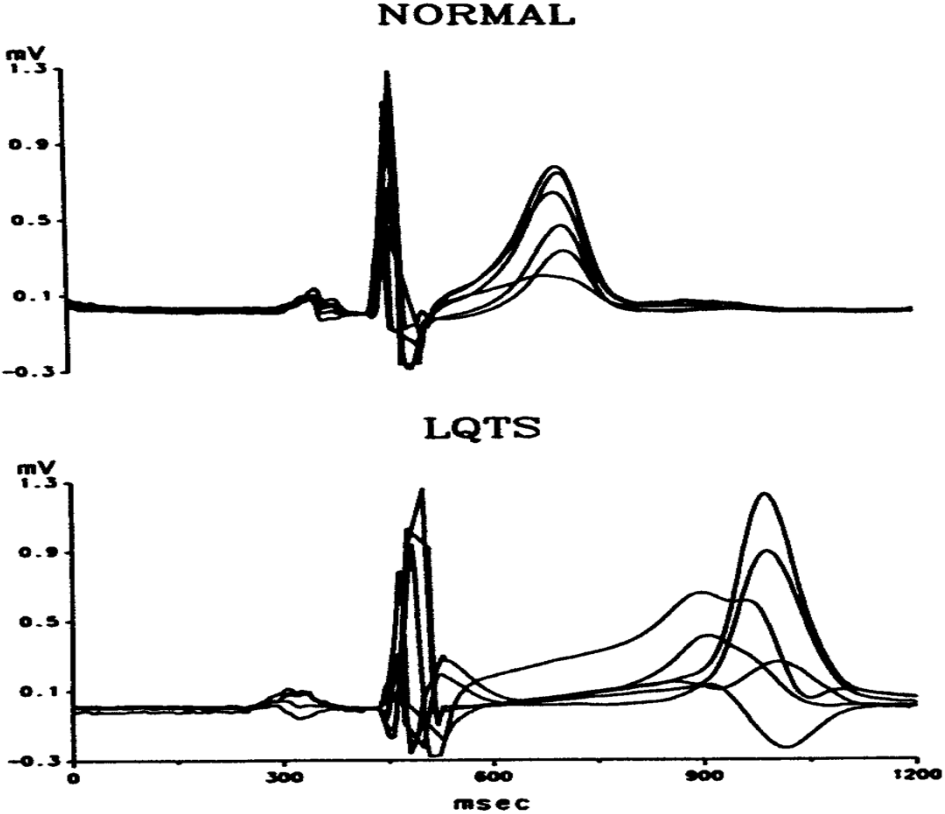
Tissue doppler image



Mechanical dispersion



Long QT syndrome

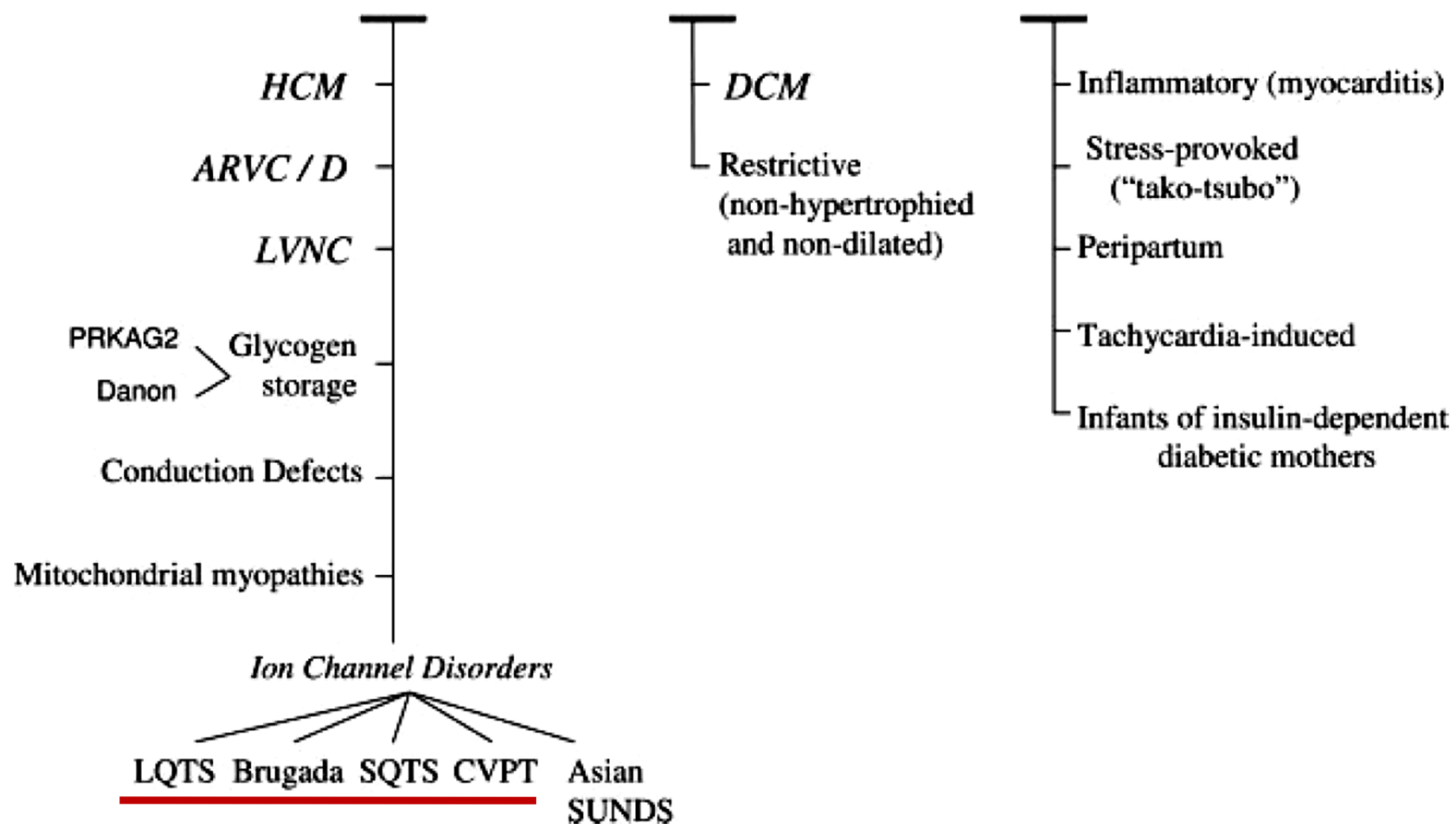


PRIMARY CARDIOMYOPATHIES
(predominantly involving the heart)

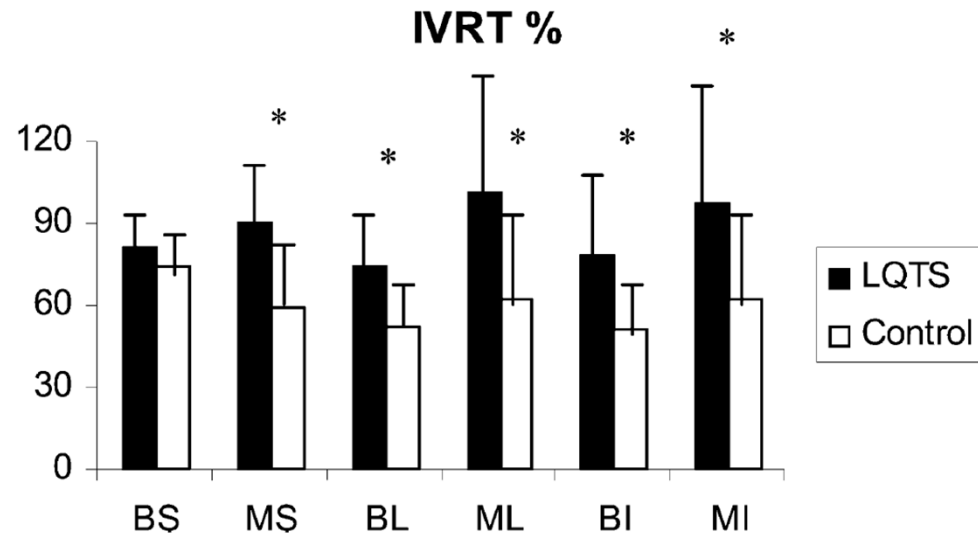
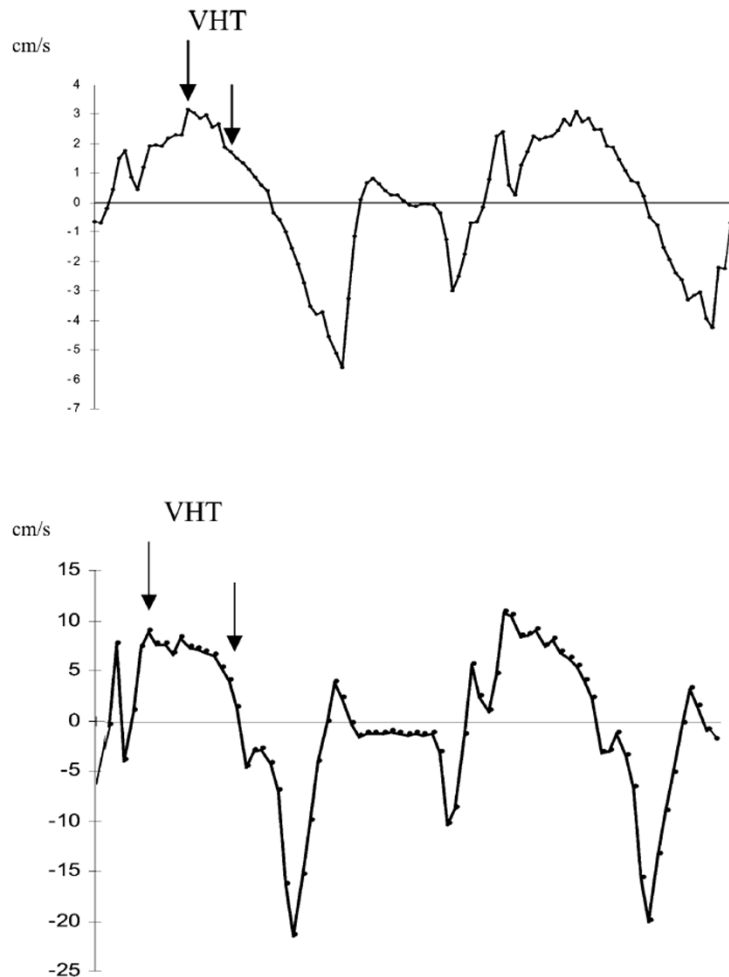
Genetic

Mixed*

Acquired

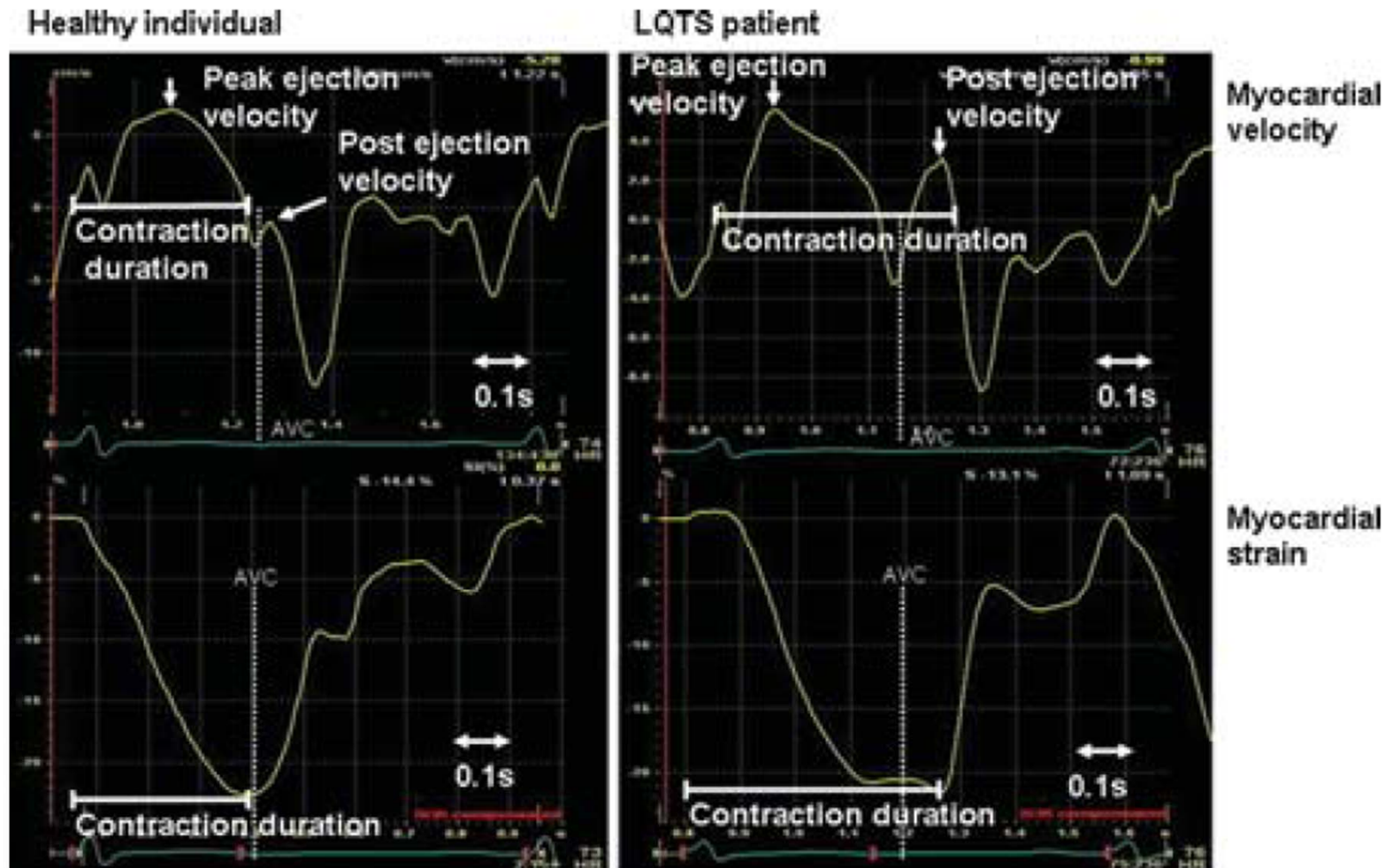
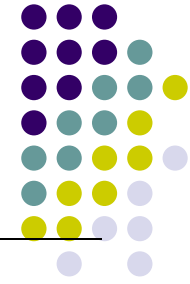


Tissue Doppler Echo in LQTS

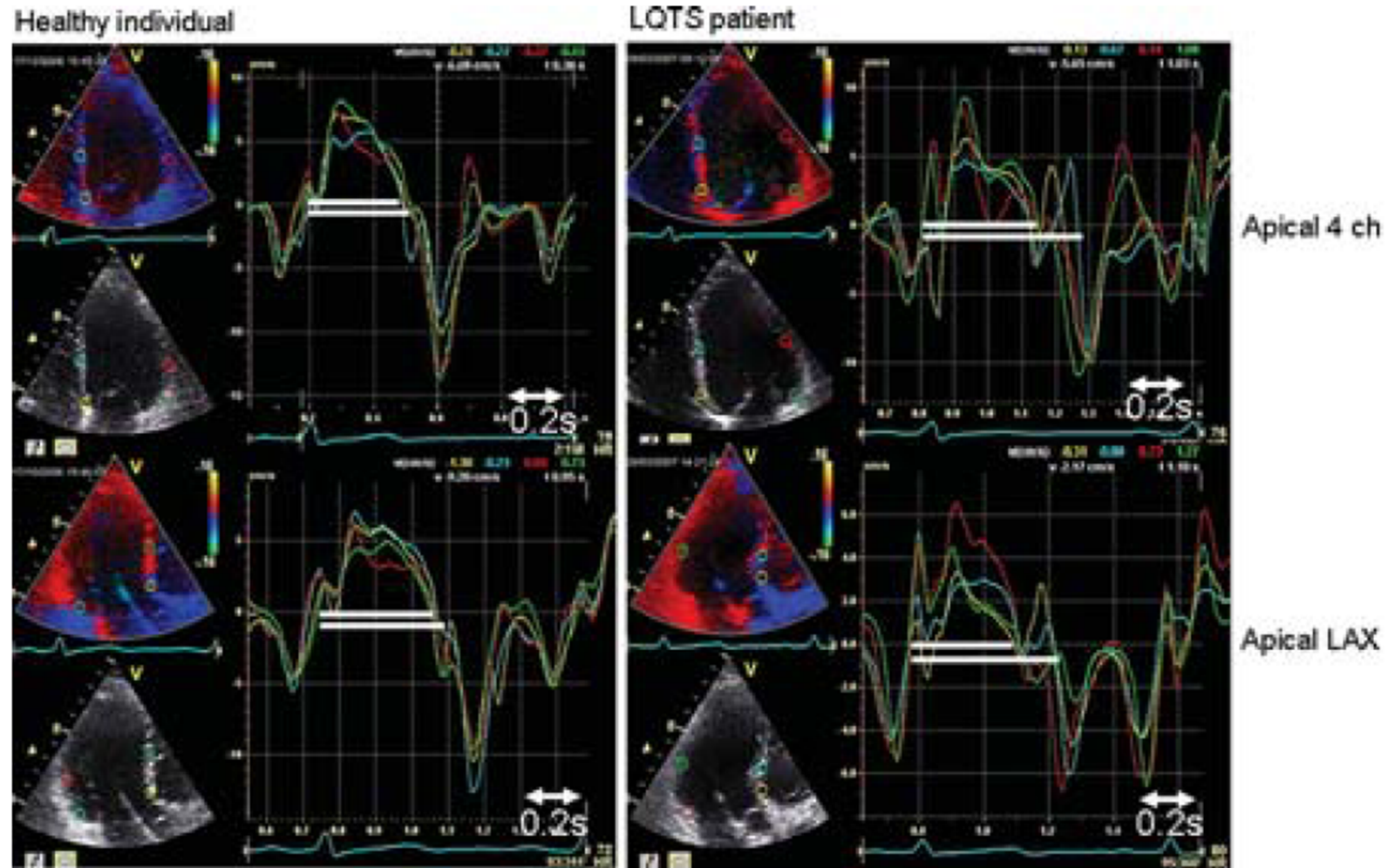


Velocity half time index in systolic profile

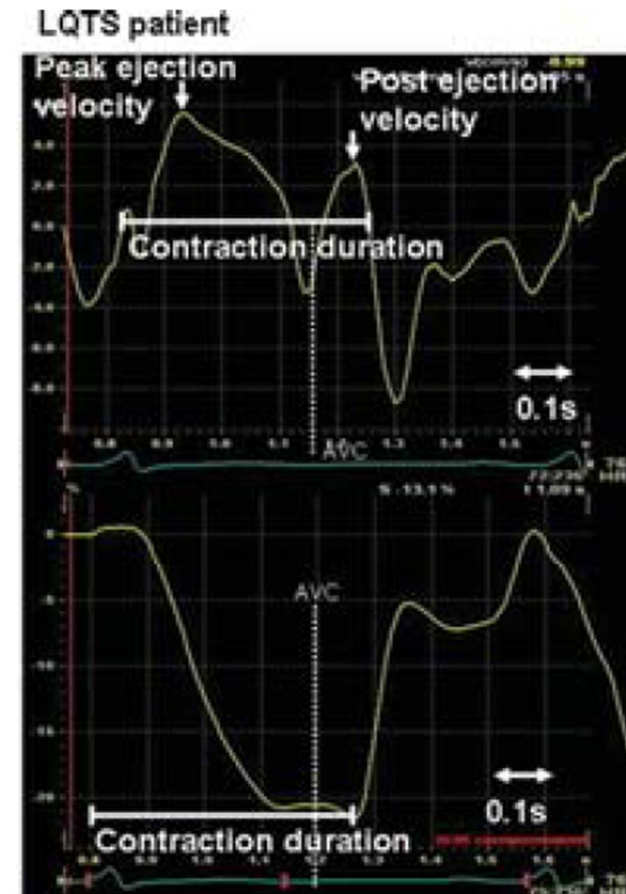
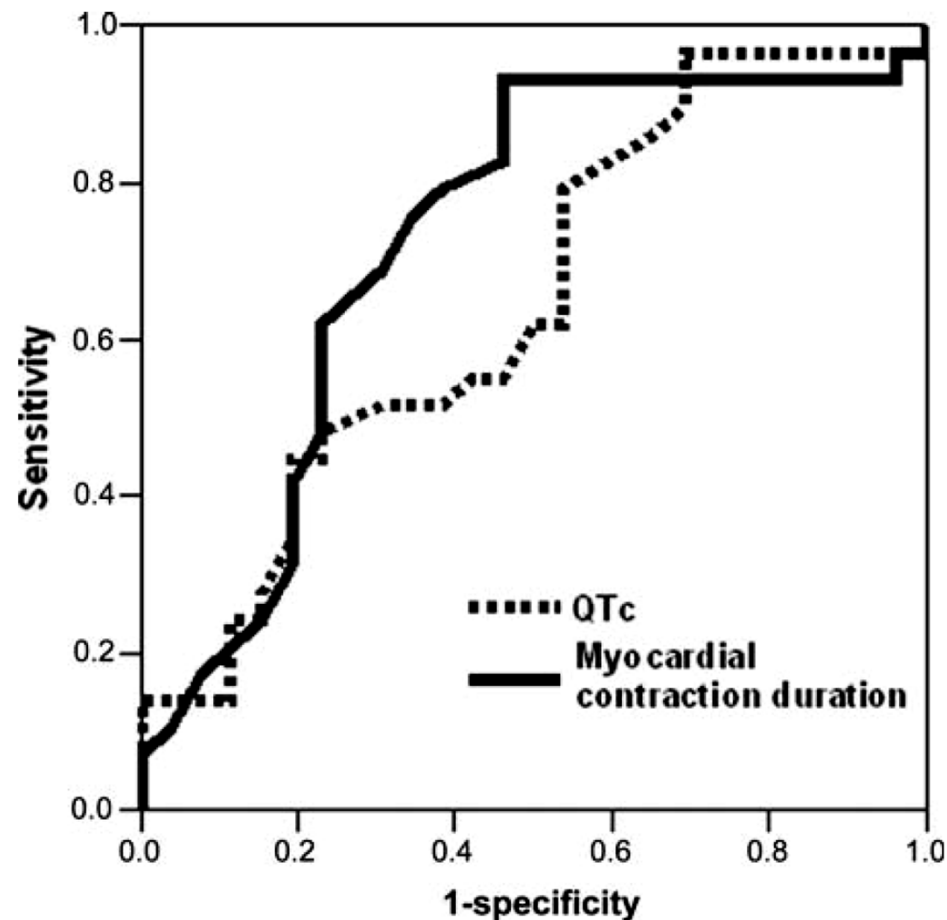
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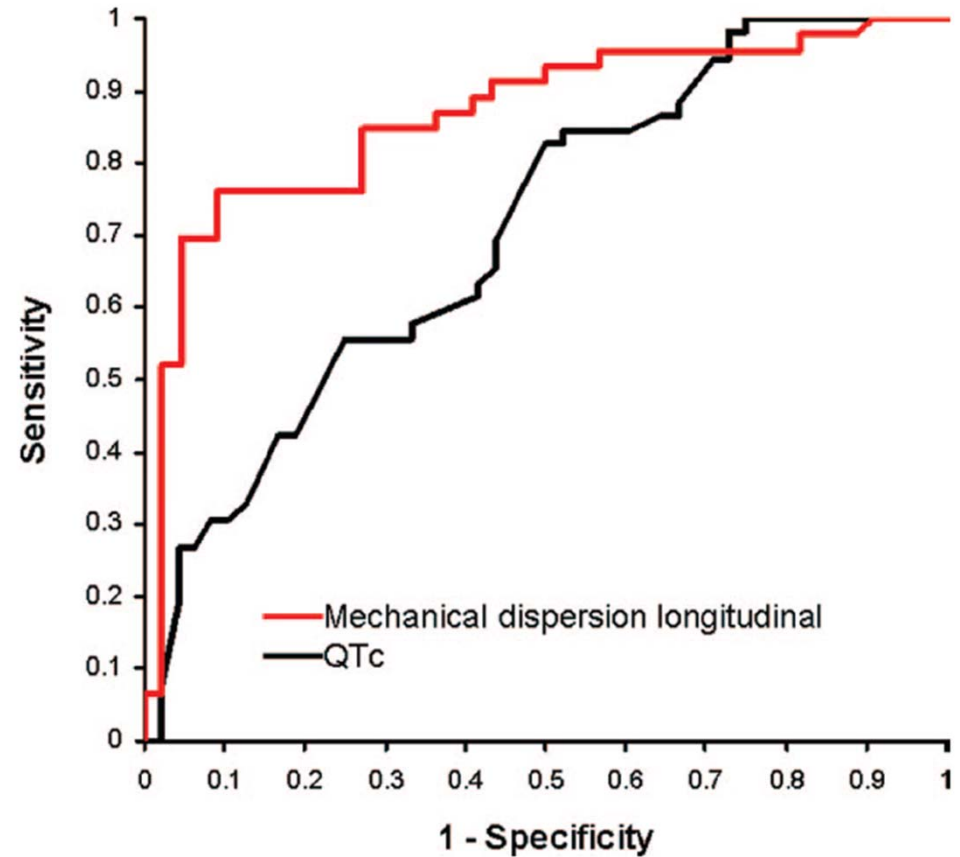
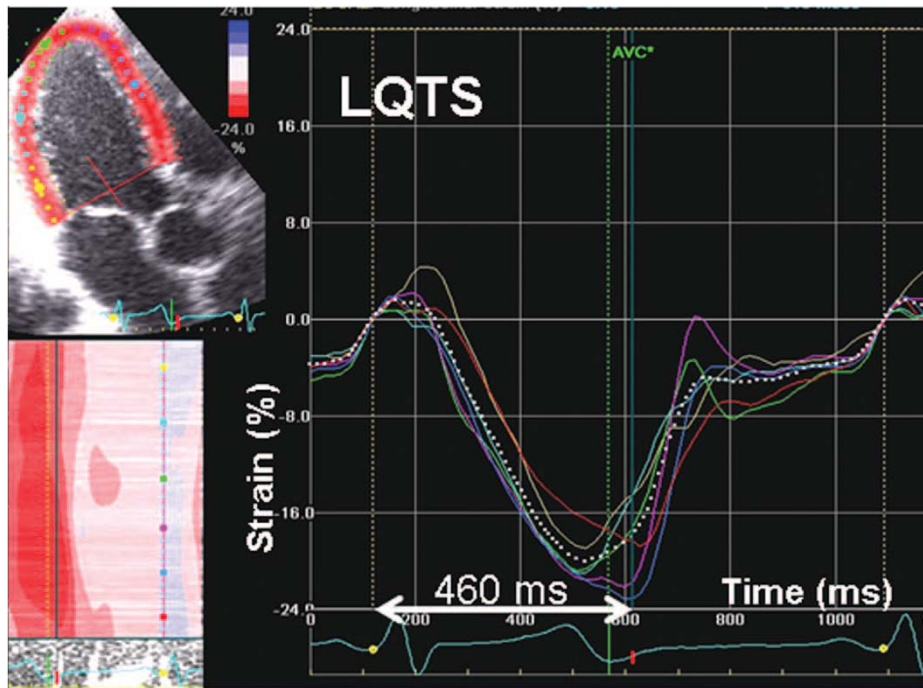
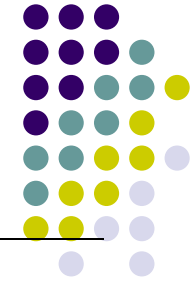


Tissue Doppler Echo in LQTS



Receiver-operating characteristic curves of cardiac events (documented arrhythmia, syncope, or aborted cardiac arrest)

Strain Echo in LQTS



Long QT syndrome, a purely electrical disease? Not anymore

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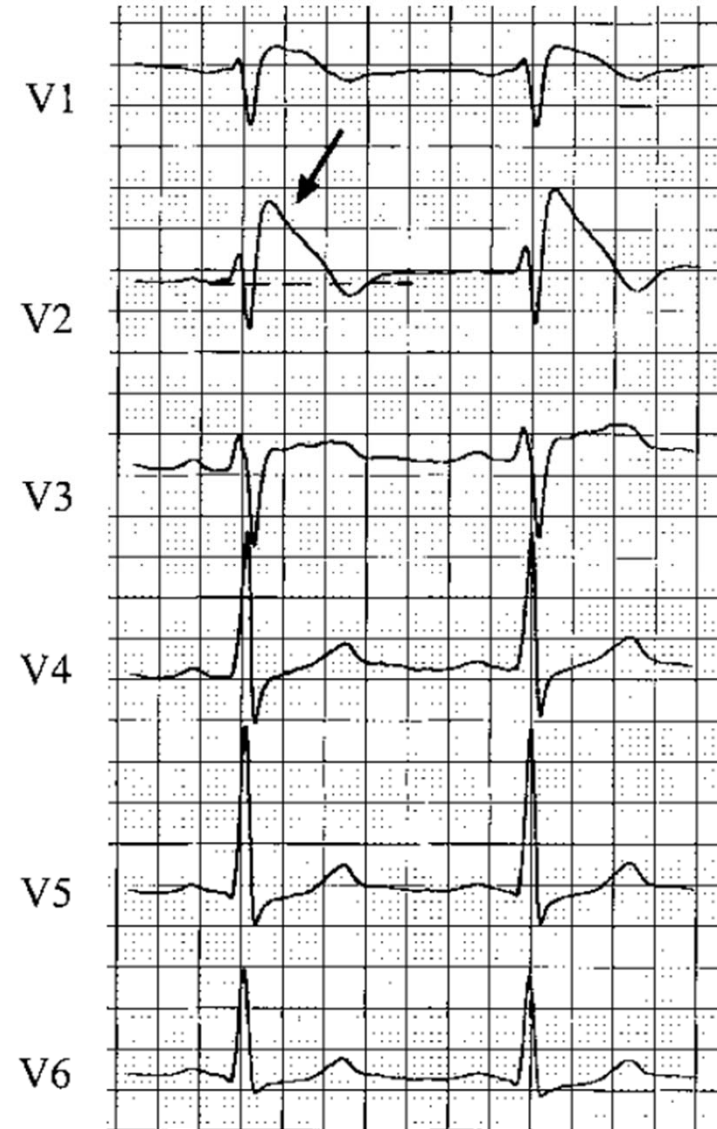
Is Long QT Syndrome a Disease of Abnormal Mechanical Contraction?

David S. Rosenbaum, MD

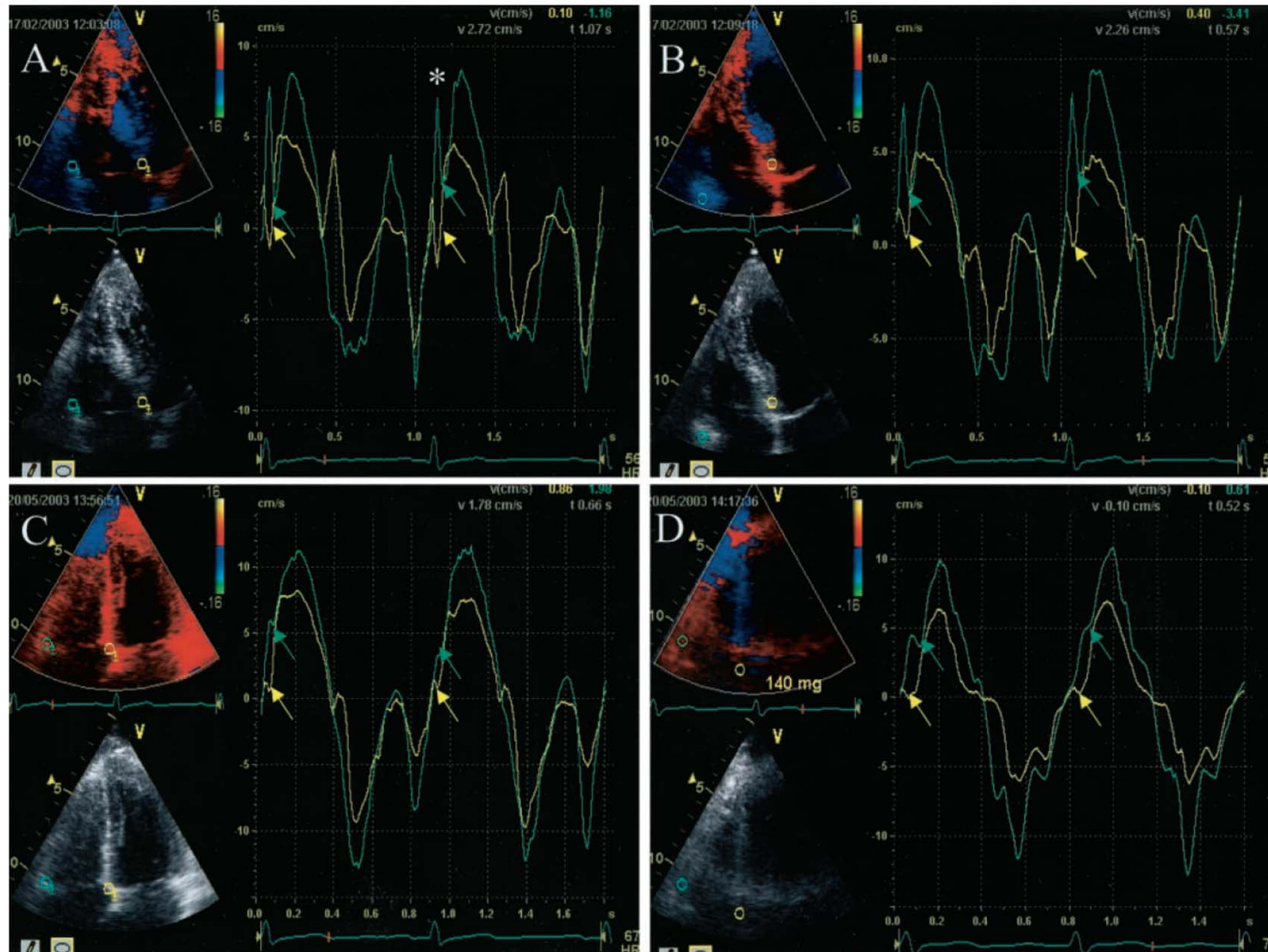
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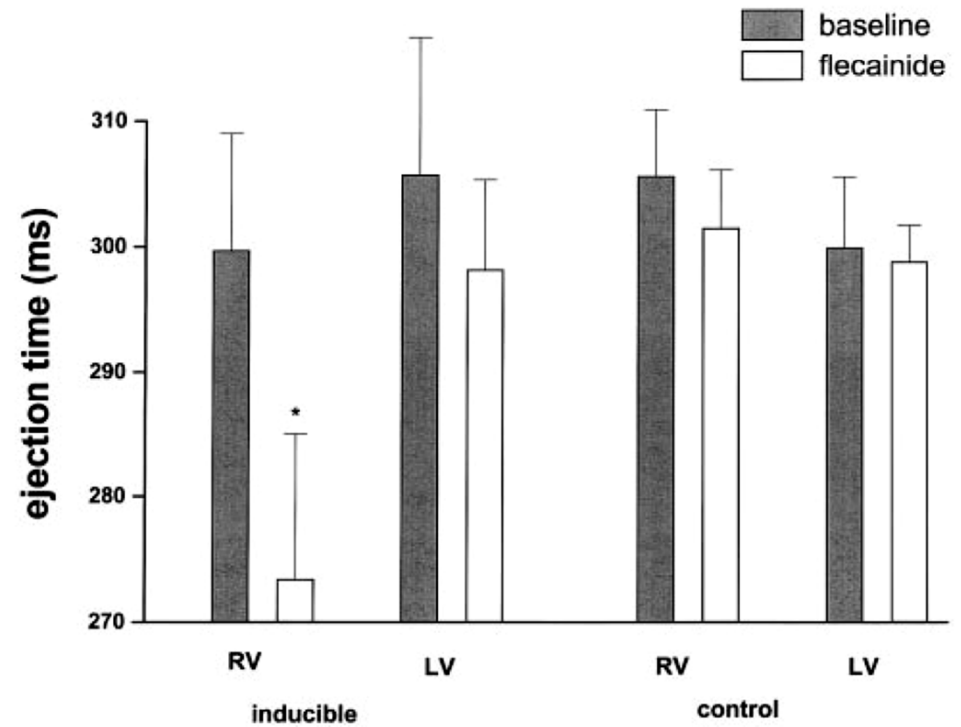
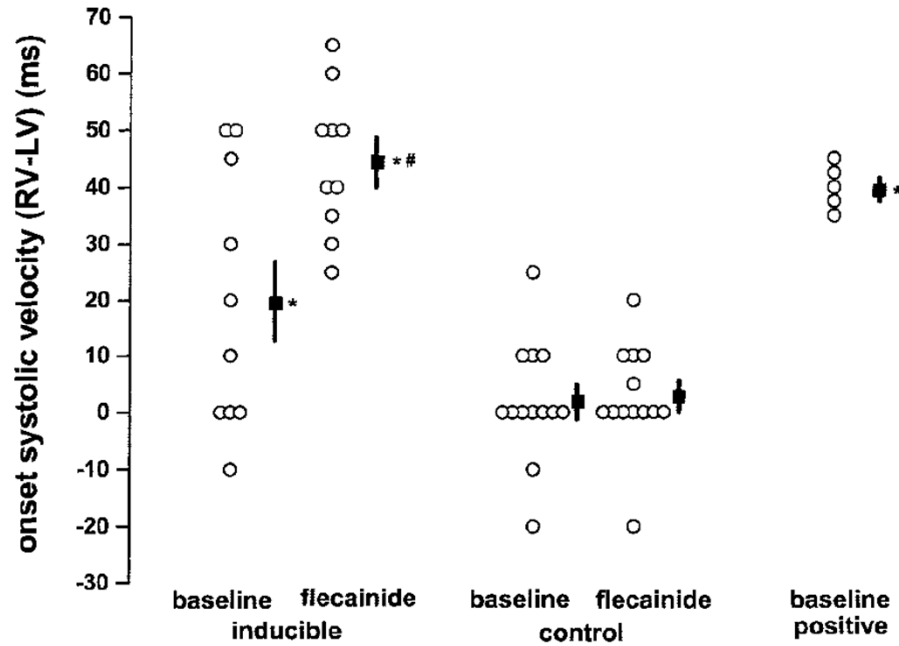
- **inherited, autosomal dominant disorder characterized by**
 - sudden death from ventricular tachyarrhythmias,
 - **ECG right precordial ST-segment elevation,**
 - **conduction slowing**
- **Inducible ST elevation by Na⁺ channel blocker**



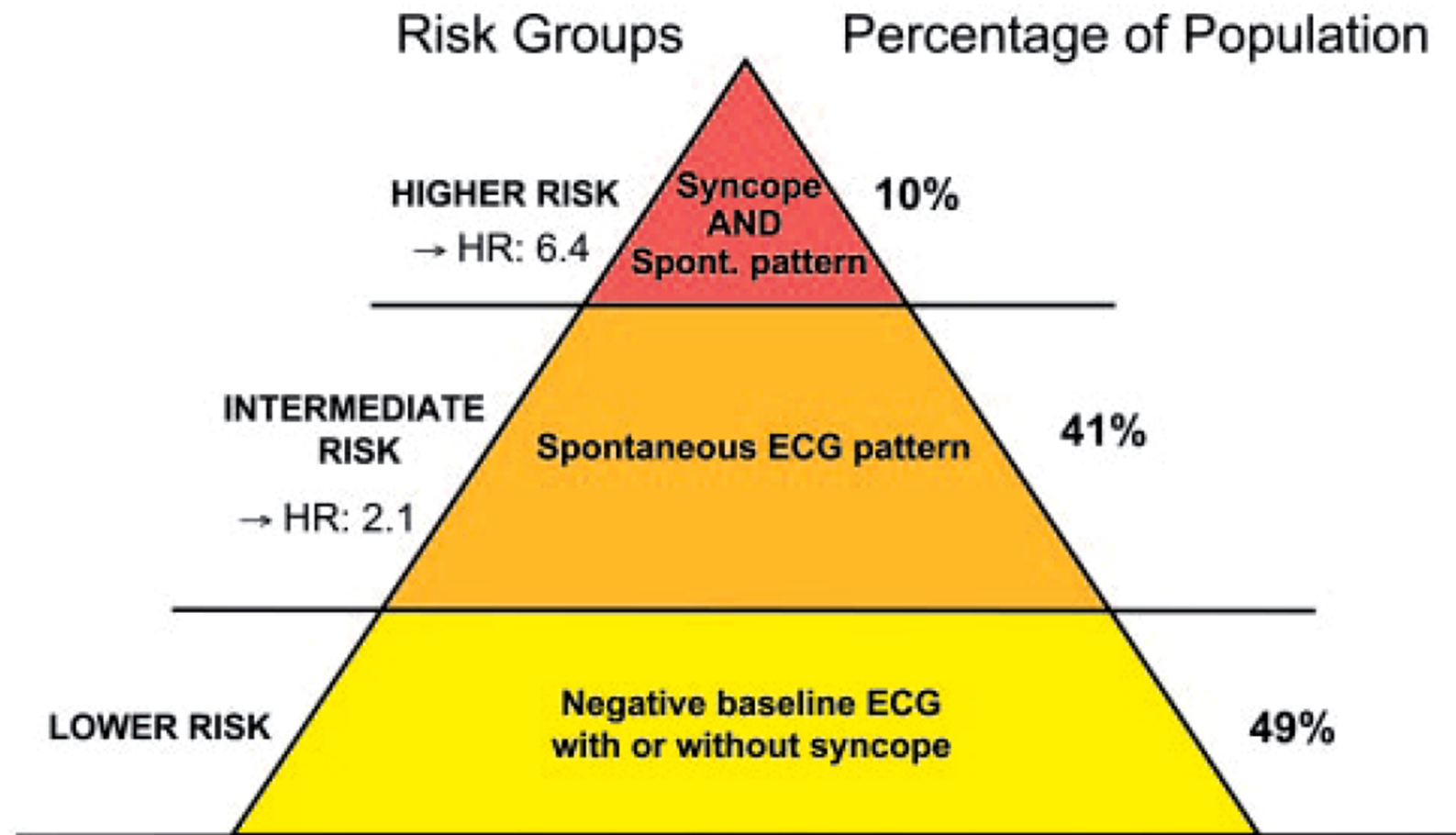
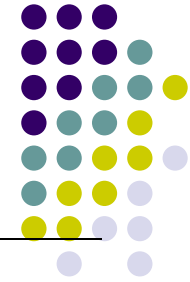
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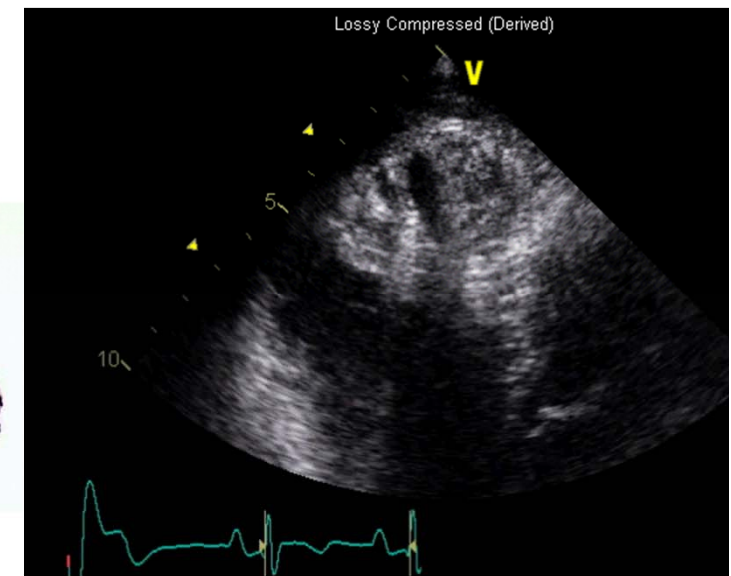
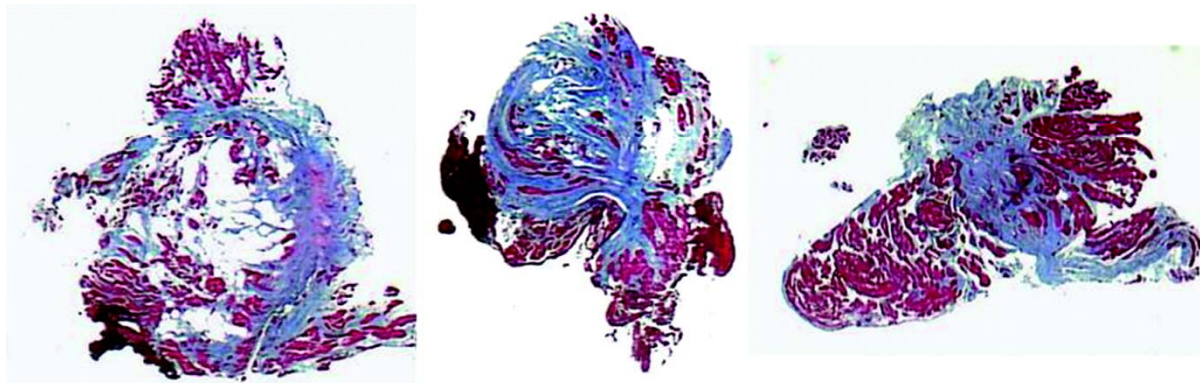
Risk stratification of SCD



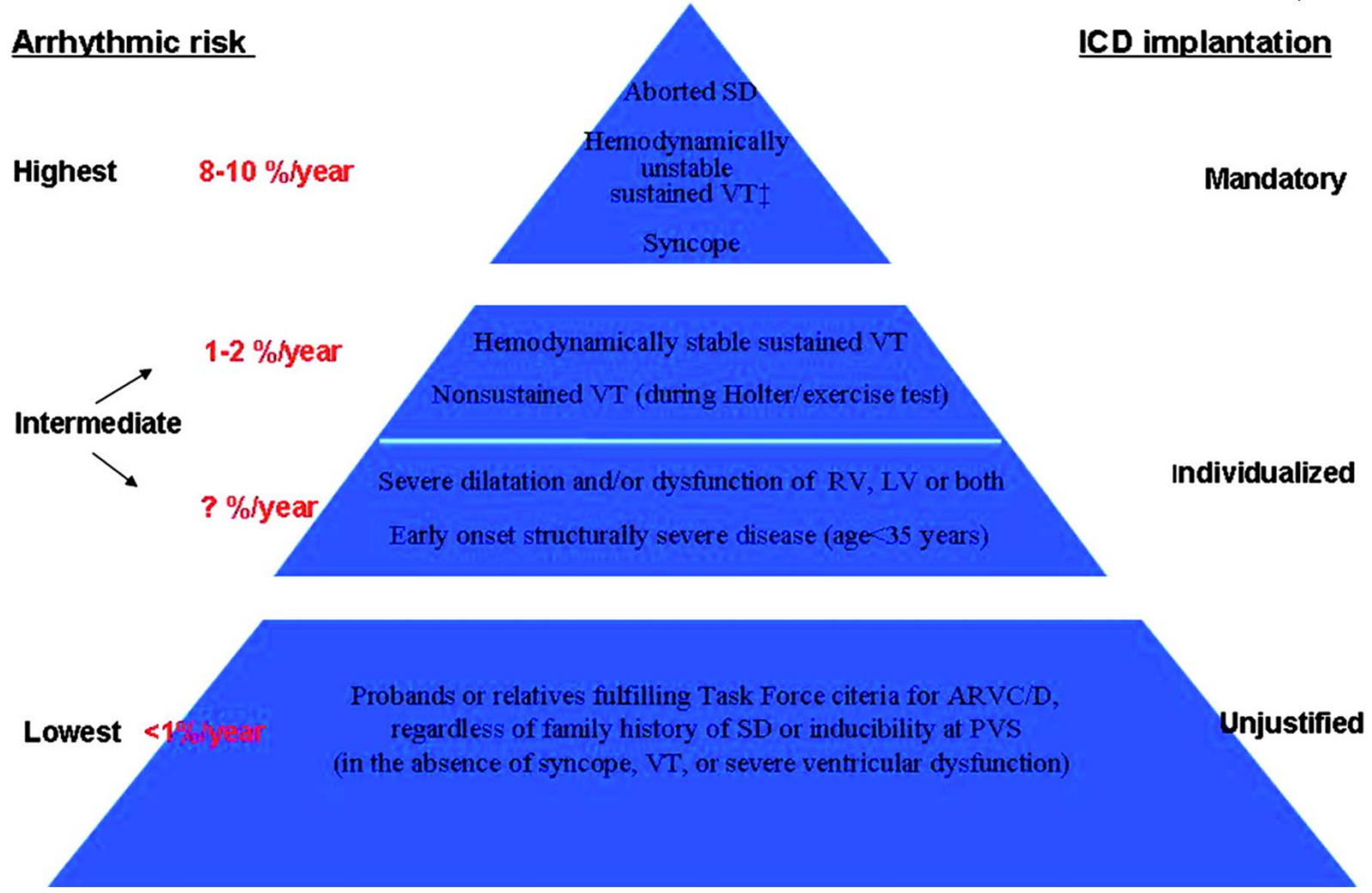
ARVC/D



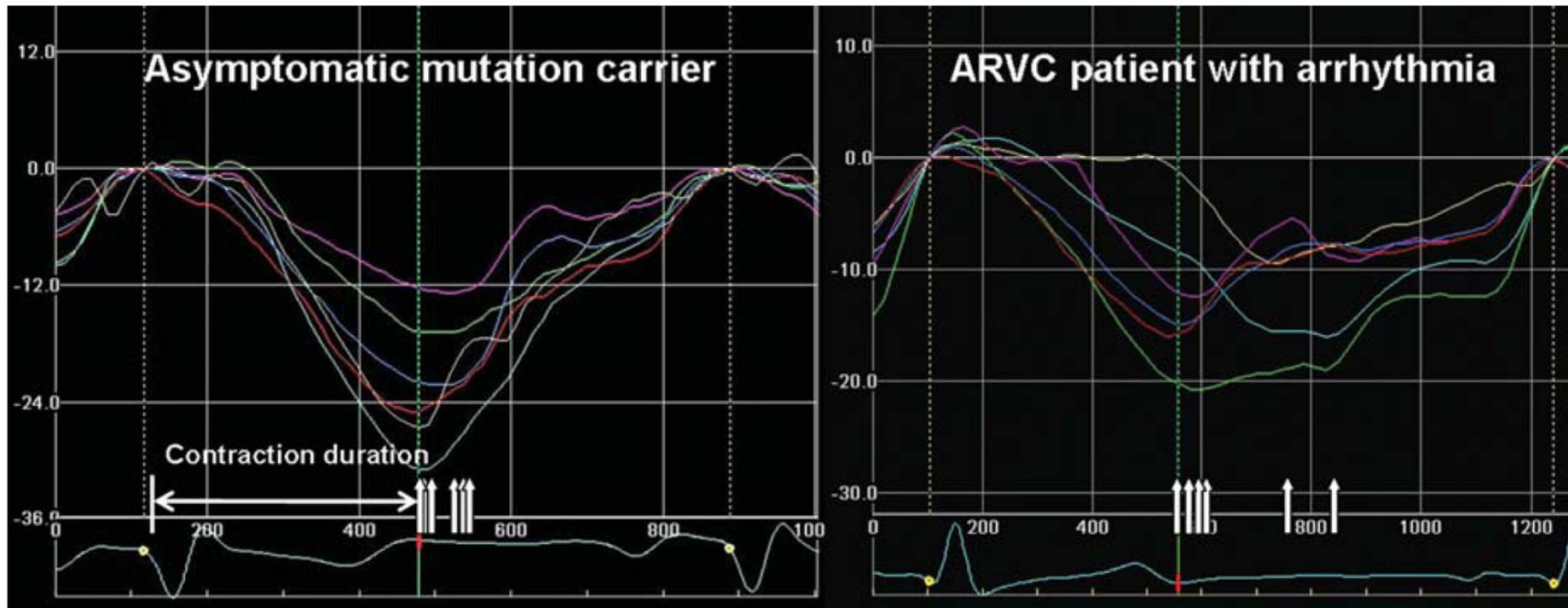
- **predominantly a genetically determined heart muscle disorder**
- **pathologically by fibrofatty replacement of the right ventricular (RV) myocardium**



Arrhythmic risk stratification pyramid and current indications for implantation of an implantable cardioverter defibrillator (ICD) based on observational studies on ICD therapy in arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy dyplasia (ARVC/D).



RV mechanical dispersion



RV mechanical dispersion is SD of contraction duration in 6 RV segments.

Predictors of arrhythmia in ARVC patients

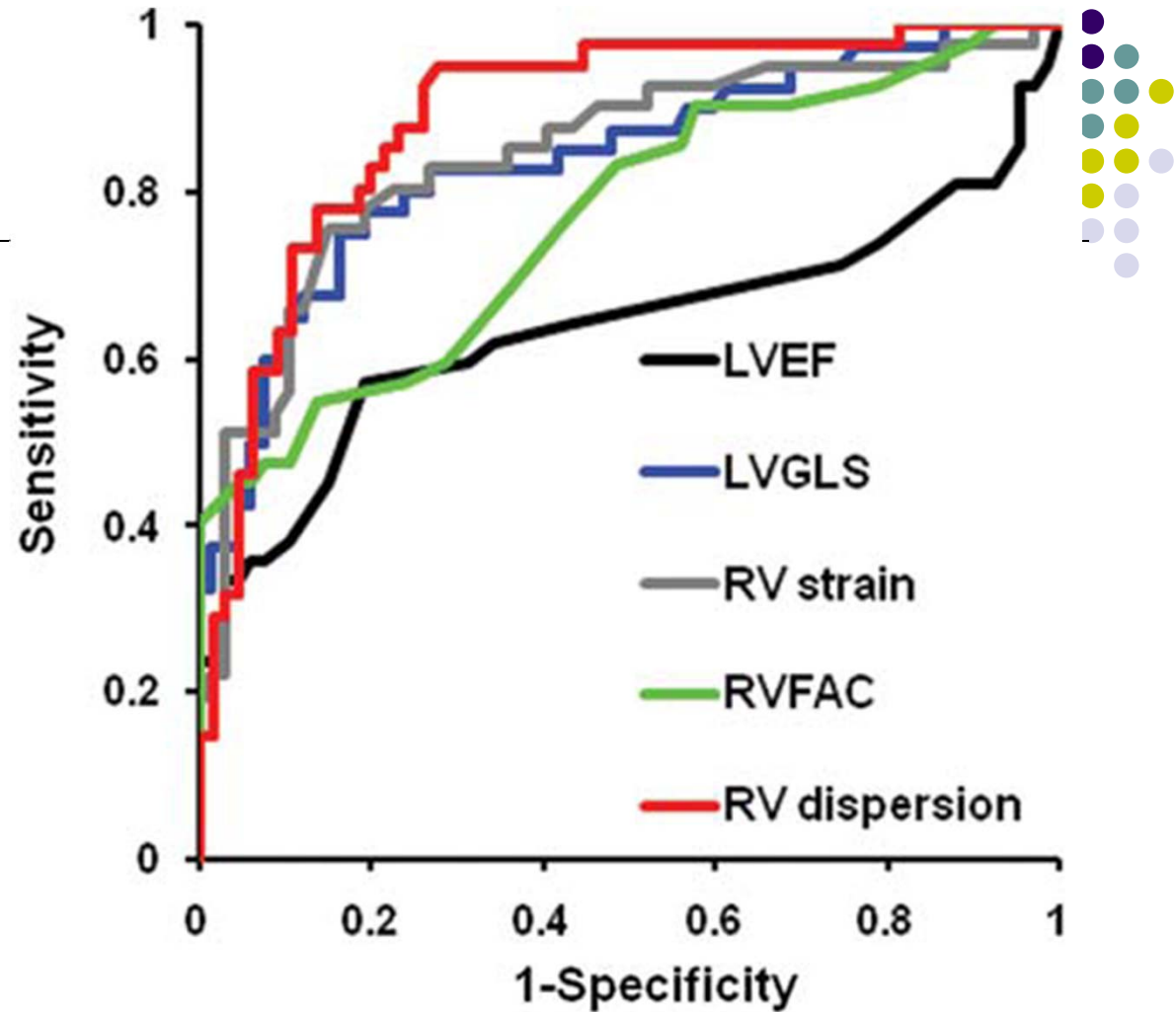


	Univariate logistic regression			Multivariate logistic regression		
	OR	95% CI	P-value	OR	95% CI	P-value
SAECG positive (<i>n</i>) (yes vs. no)	4.01	1.28–12.5	0.02	2.27	0.53–9.79	0.27
LVEF (per 5% decrease)	1.31	0.96–1.78	0.09	1.15	0.68–1.96	0.60
LVGLS (%)	1.41	1.12–1.76	0.003	1.22	0.89–1.67	0.22
RV strain (%)	1.25	1.08–1.44	0.003	0.98	0.76–1.26	0.85
RV dispersion (per 10 ms increase)	1.71	1.22–2.39	0.002	1.66	1.06–2.58	0.03
RVFAC (per 5% decrease)	2.33	1.44–3.76	0.001	2.16	1.04–4.47	0.04

SAECG, signal-averaged ECG; LVEF, left ventricular ejection fraction; GLS, global longitudinal strain; RVFAC, right ventricular fractional area change.

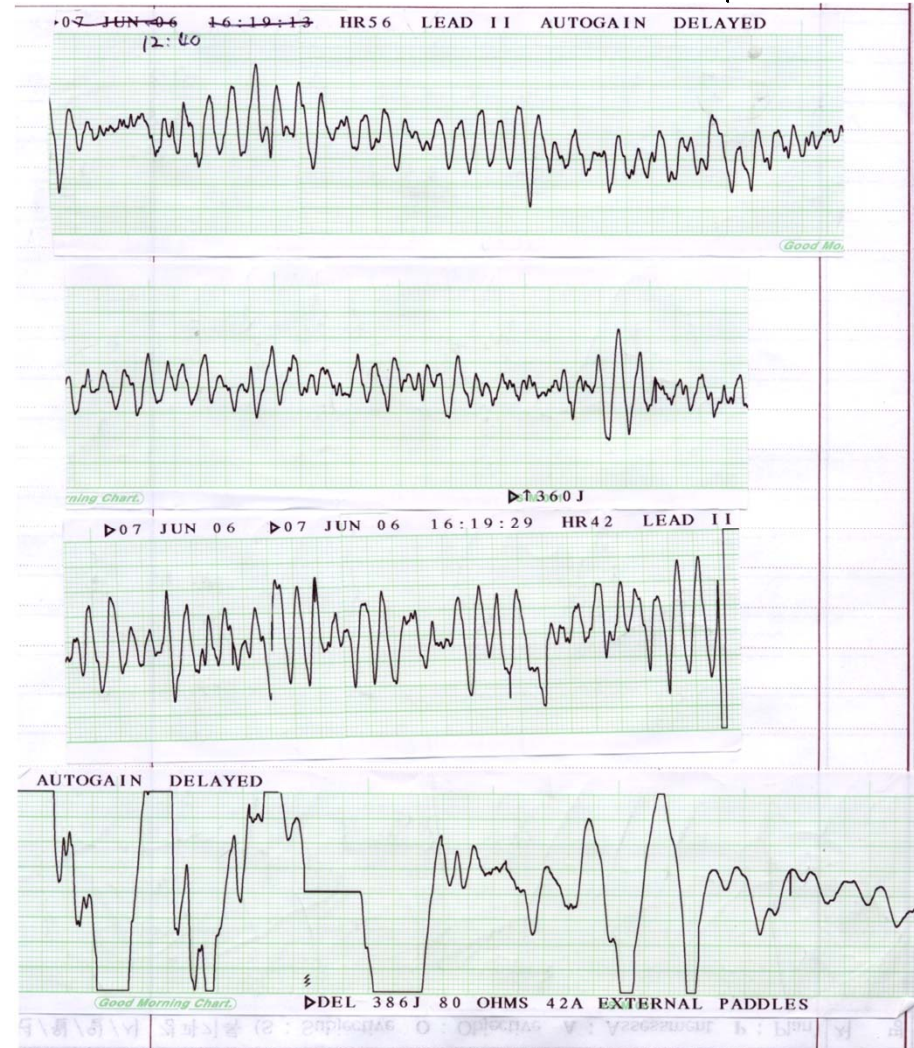
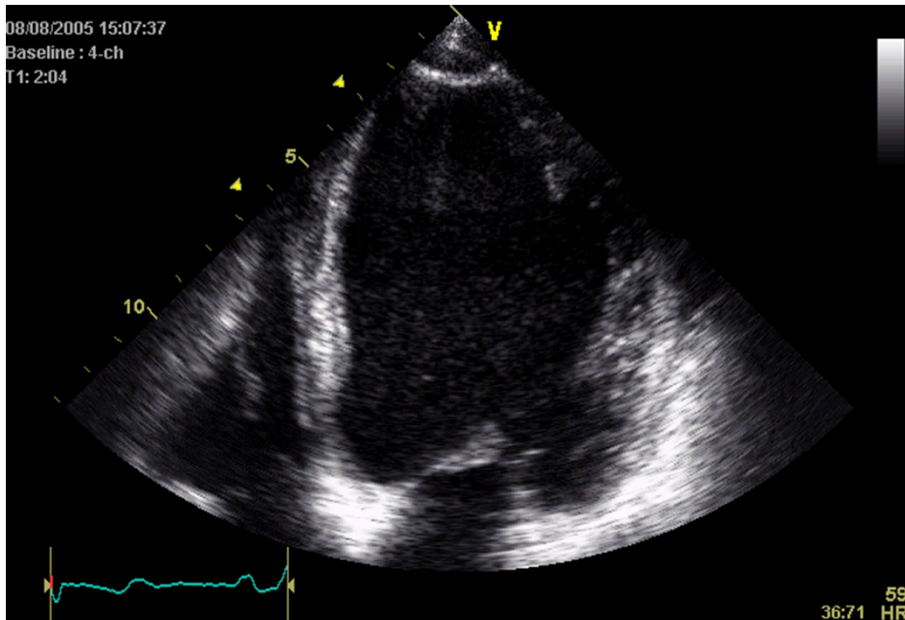
Predictors of arrhythmia in symptomatic arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy patients and asymptomatic mutation carriers

ROC curve

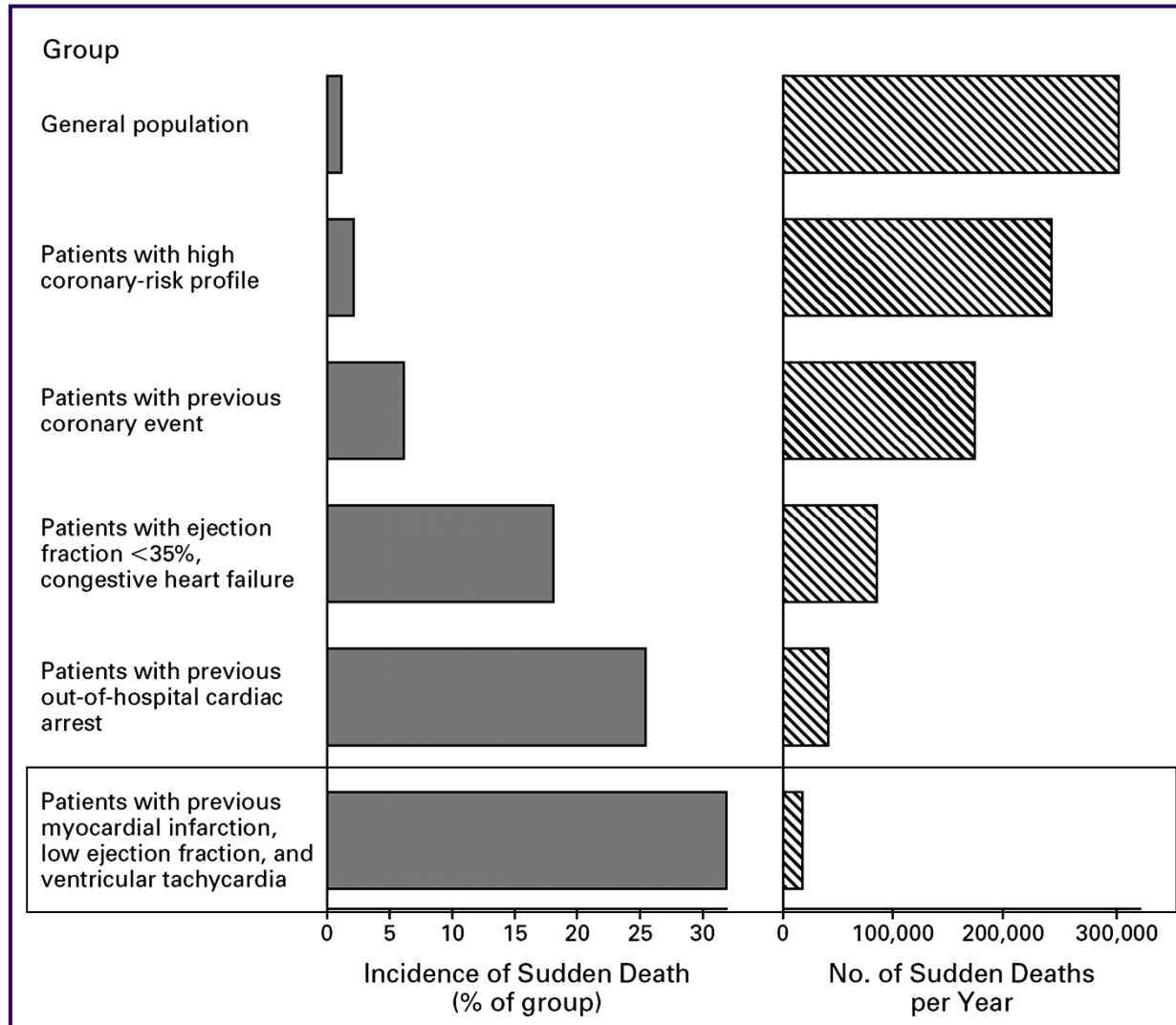


	AUC	95% CI	Optimal cut-off	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
LVEF (%)	0.64	0.51-0.76	63	62	66
LVGLS (%)	0.84	0.76-0.92	-20	83	73
RV strain (%)	0.84	0.76-0.93	-22	83	73
RVAF (%)	0.77	0.67-0.86	42	69	64
RV dispersion (ms)	0.89	0.83-0.95	29	88	77

post-MI SCD

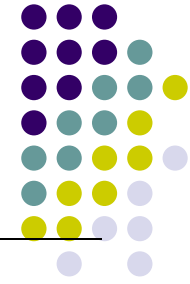


Sudden cardiac death



Primary prevention

Cautions of device therapy

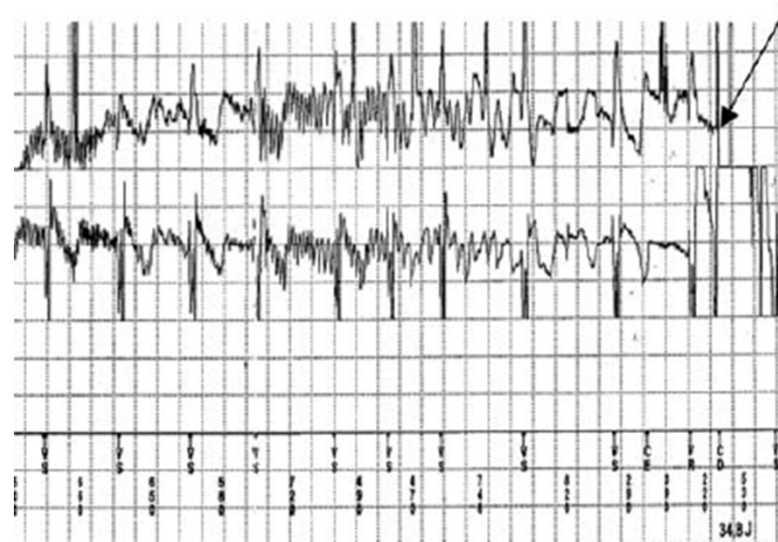


- **ICD**

- Inappropriate shock → progression of HF
- Device-related complication

- **CRT**

- Non-responder
- Pro-arrhythmic (?)



Risk stratification for SCD after AMI



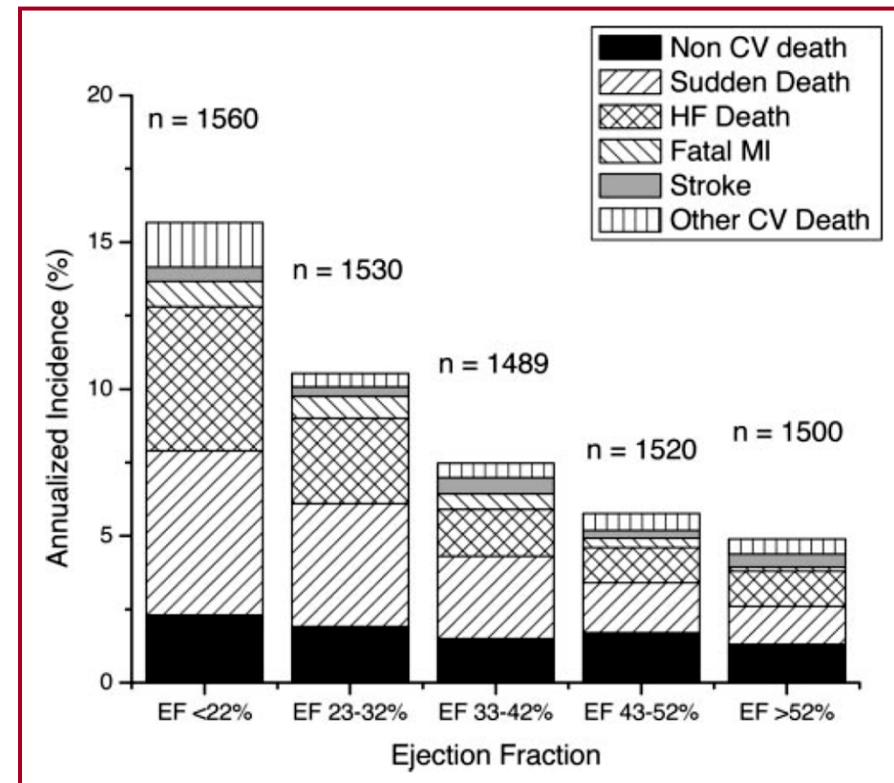
- **ECG**
- **Signal-averaged ECG**
- **T-wave alternans**
- **Holter : HR variability / turbulence**
- **Electrophysiological study**
- **Cardiac MRI**
- **Echocardiography**

Echocardiography - LVEF



- **Advantages**

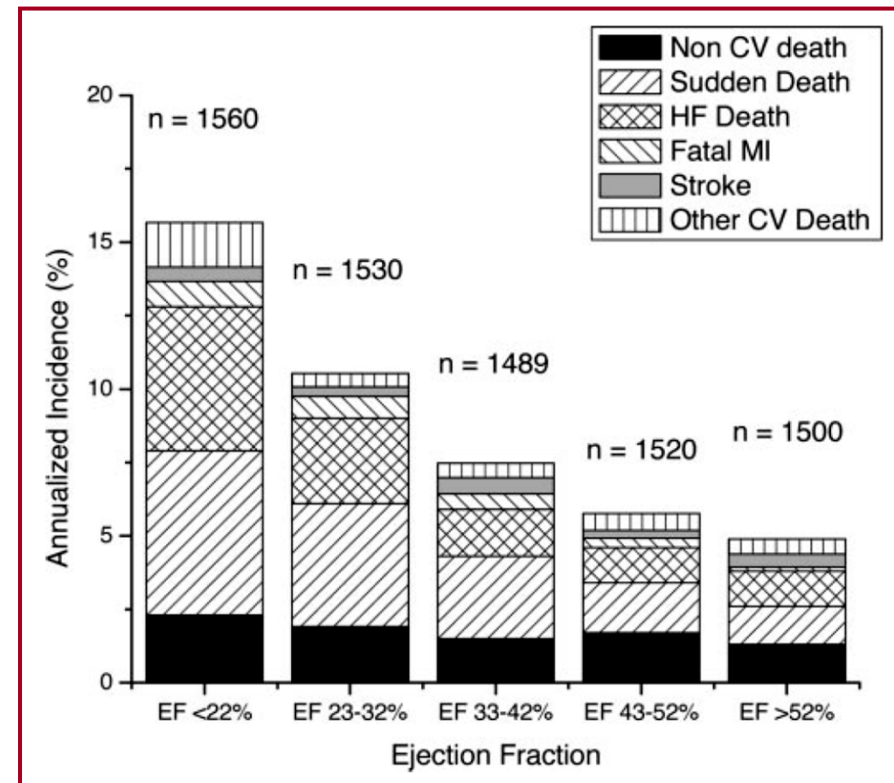
- Available in almost all hospitals
- Routinely performed in patients post AMI
- Provides additional information (eg, valvular function)
- Cut-off values for ICD insertion stated in guidelines



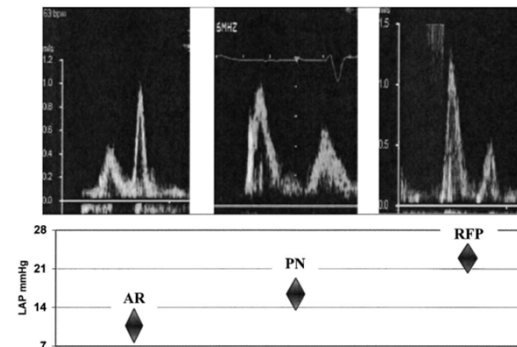
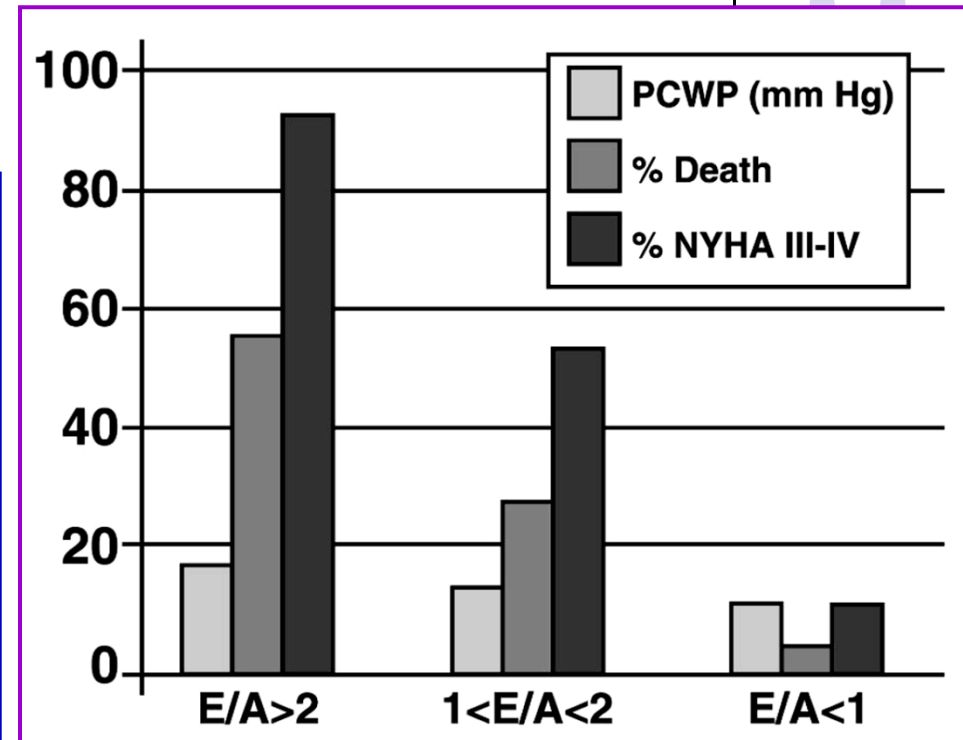
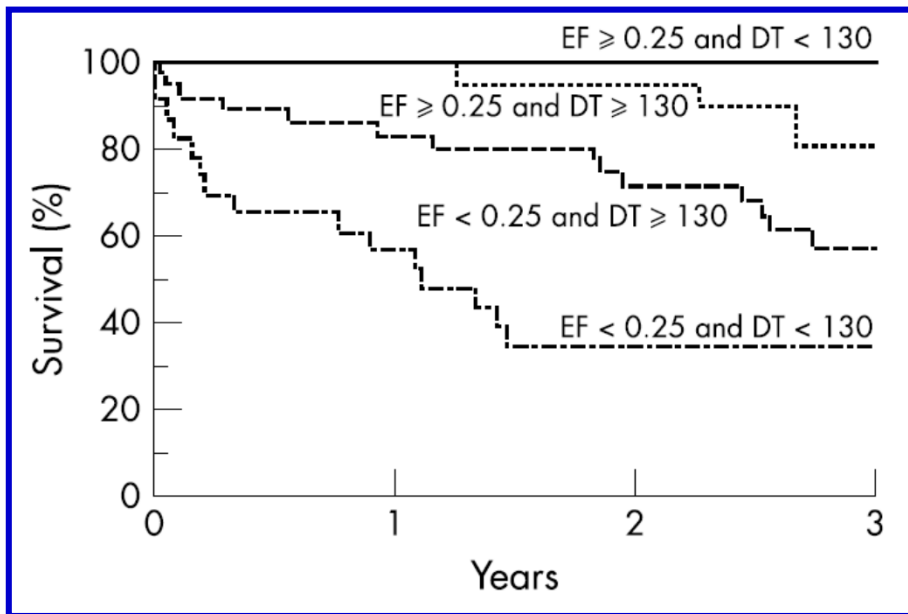
Echocardiography - LVEF



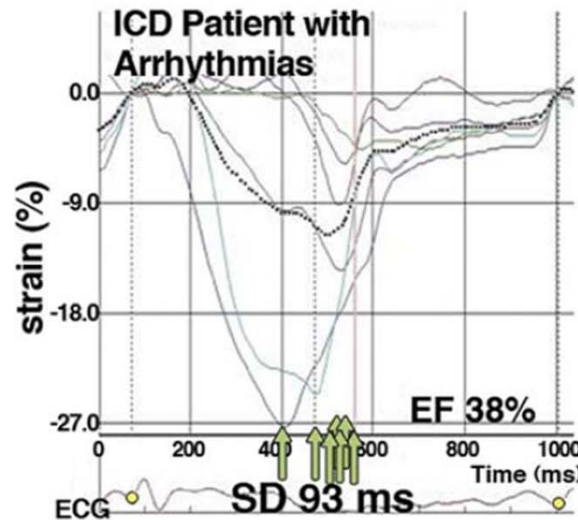
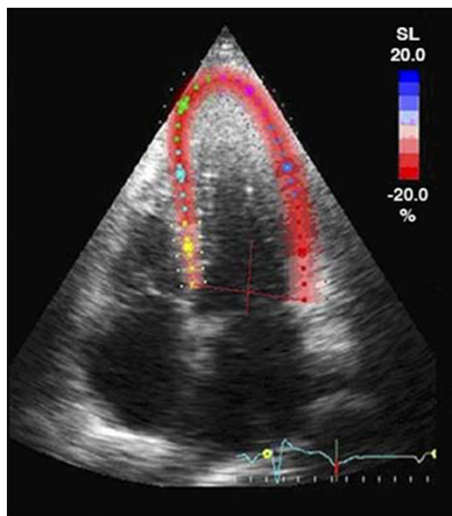
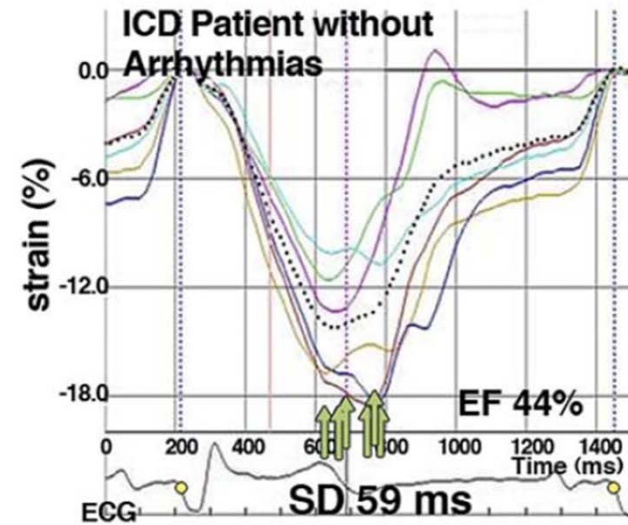
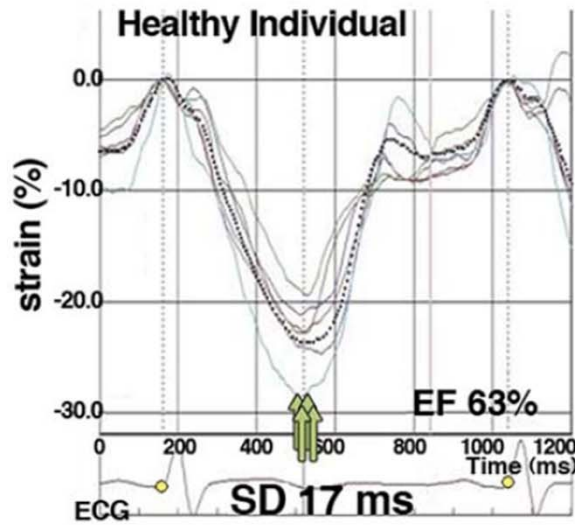
- **Disadvantages / limitations**
 - Although low LVEF has been effectively used to select high-risk patients for application of therapy to prevent sudden arrhythmic death, LVEF has limited sensitivity:
 - The majority of SCDs occur in patients with more preserved LVEF
 - LVEF may improve with time (with medication or revascularization)



Prognostification in HF



Mechanical Dispersion by Strain Echocardiography



Predictors of arrhythmia



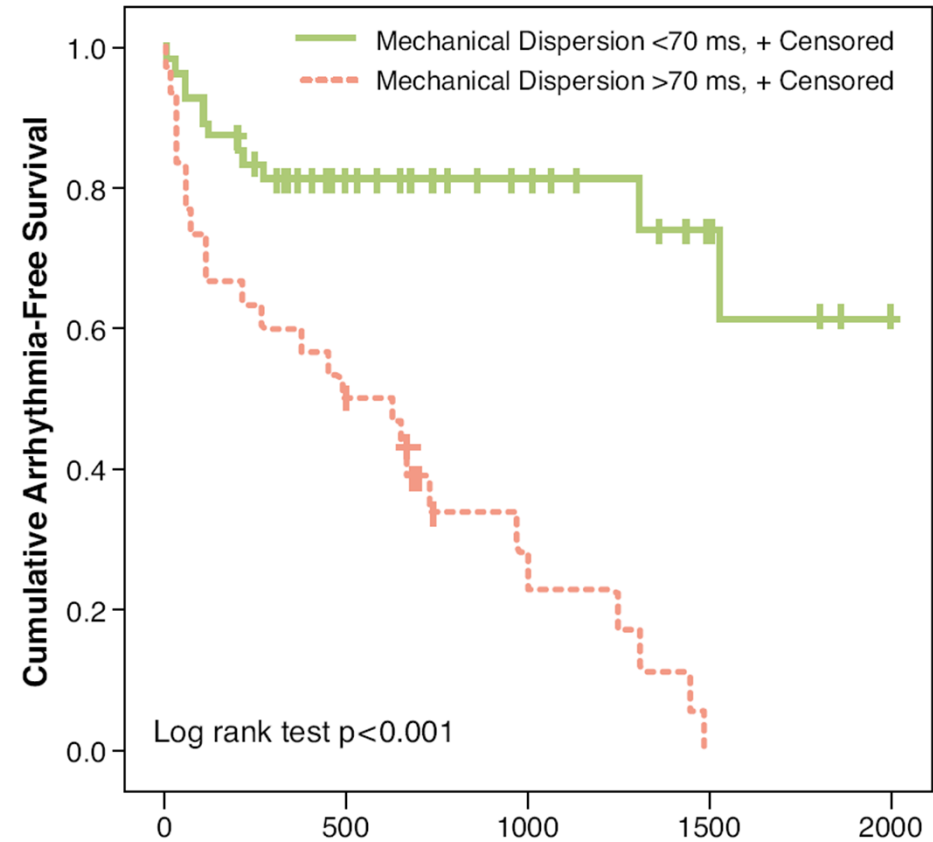
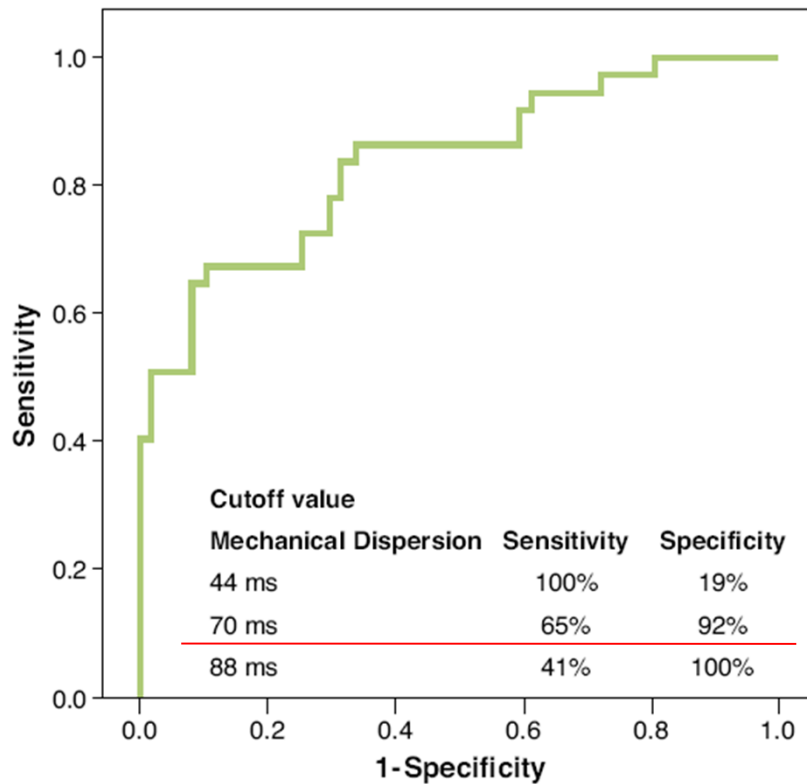
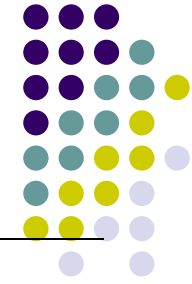
	Variable			
	Primary Prevention Criteria Patients (n = 44), HR (95% CI)	p Value	Secondary Prevention Criteria Patients (n = 41), HR (95% CI)	p Value
Univariate analyses				
Age (per 5-yr increase)	1.12 (0.90–1.40)	0.30	1.14 (0.88–1.48)	0.33
Sex (male vs. female)	1.04 (0.23–4.56)	0.95	5.42 (0.72–40.8)	0.10
Heart rate (per 5-beats/min increase)	0.96 (0.77–1.19)	0.69	0.90 (0.74–1.08)	0.25
QRS (per 10-ms increase)	0.76 (0.50–1.15)	0.20	0.97 (0.76–1.24)	0.78
QTc (per 10-ms increase)	1.02 (0.94–1.10)	0.71	0.95 (0.79–1.14)	0.56
Amiodarone therapy (yes vs. no)	1.54 (0.35–6.86)	0.57	1.06 (0.40–2.86)	0.91
Revascularization therapy (yes vs. no)	1.01 (0.39–2.62)	0.97	0.97 (0.36–2.59)	0.95
nsVT/inducible VT (yes vs. no)	2.62 (0.59–11.56)	0.21		
EF (per 5% increase)	0.80 (0.59–1.08)	0.15	1.13 (0.90–1.42)	0.30
Global strain (per 1% increase)	0.84 (0.71–0.99)	0.03	1.00 (0.89–1.12)	0.98
Mechanical dispersion (per 10-ms increase)	1.25 (1.10–1.43)	<0.01	1.30 (1.09–1.55)	<0.01
Delta contraction duration (per 10-ms increase)	1.05 (1.01–1.08)	<0.01	1.06 (1.02–1.10)	<0.01
Multivariate analyses				
Age (per 5-yr increase)	1.20 (0.93–1.55)	0.15	1.23 (0.94–1.59)	0.14
Sex (male vs. female)	0.92 (0.18–4.78)	0.92	3.80 (0.50–29.44)	0.20
EF (per 5% increase)	0.90 (0.56–1.45)	0.68	1.10 (0.83–1.46)	0.51
Global strain (per 1% increase)	0.92 (0.76–1.11)	0.37		
Mechanical dispersion (per 10-ms increase)	1.24 (1.07–1.43)	<0.01	1.31 (1.08–1.58)	<0.01

Predictors of arrhythmia



	EF <35%			EF >35%		
	Without Arrhythmic Events During Follow-Up (n = 26)	With Arrhythmic Events During Follow-Up (n = 16)	p Value*	Without Arrhythmic Events During Follow-Up (n = 21)	With Arrhythmic Events During Follow-Up (n = 22)	p Value*
Age (yrs)	60 ± 9	64 ± 8	0.52	64 ± 10	67 ± 11	0.32
EF (%)	27 ± 5	27 ± 5	0.99	44 ± 8	41 ± 5	0.23
Global strain (%)	-8.9 ± 2.2	-7.2 ± 3.0	0.04	-14.0 ± 4.0	-12.0 ± 3.0	0.05
Mechanical dispersion (ms)	52 ± 13	93 ± 31	<0.001	61 ± 12	80 ± 27	0.01
Delta contraction duration (ms)	170 ± 40	340 ± 120	<0.001	225 ± 80	280 ± 110	0.06
QRS duration (ms)	104 ± 14	107 ± 26	0.88	95 ± 13	101 ± 28	0.49
ICD secondary prevention, no. (%)	12 (46)	3 (19)	0.07	11 (52)	15 (68)	0.29
ICD primary prevention, no. (%)	14 (54)	13 (81)	0.07	10 (48)	7 (32)	0.29

Predictors of arrhythmia



No. at Risk

	0	500	1000	1500	2000
<70 ms	55	27	14	7	1
>70 ms	30	14	4	0	0

Summary



- Electrical dispersion and regional differences of myocardial contraction in various arrhythmogenic CVD
- Subtle contraction heterogeneity can be demonstrated by tissue doppler or myocardial strain echocardiography as mechanical dispersion.
- Mechanical dispersion may be promising parameters to predict arrhythmic events in these patients.

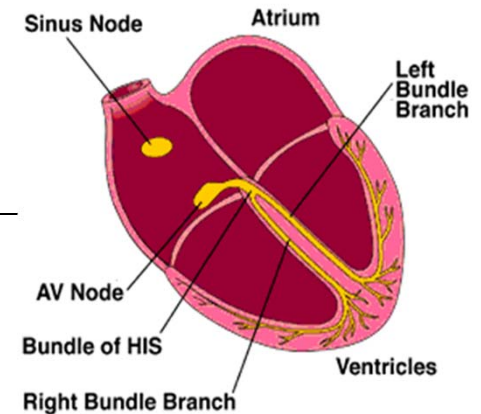
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Various arrhythmia

- **Bradyarrhythmia**
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 - Sick sinus syndrome
 - Sinus arrest
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 - 1st degree AVB
 - 2nd degree AVB
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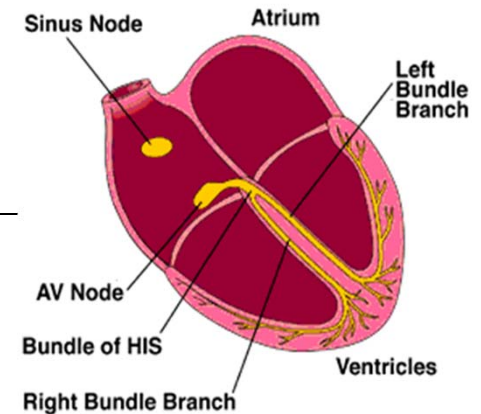
Various arrhythmia

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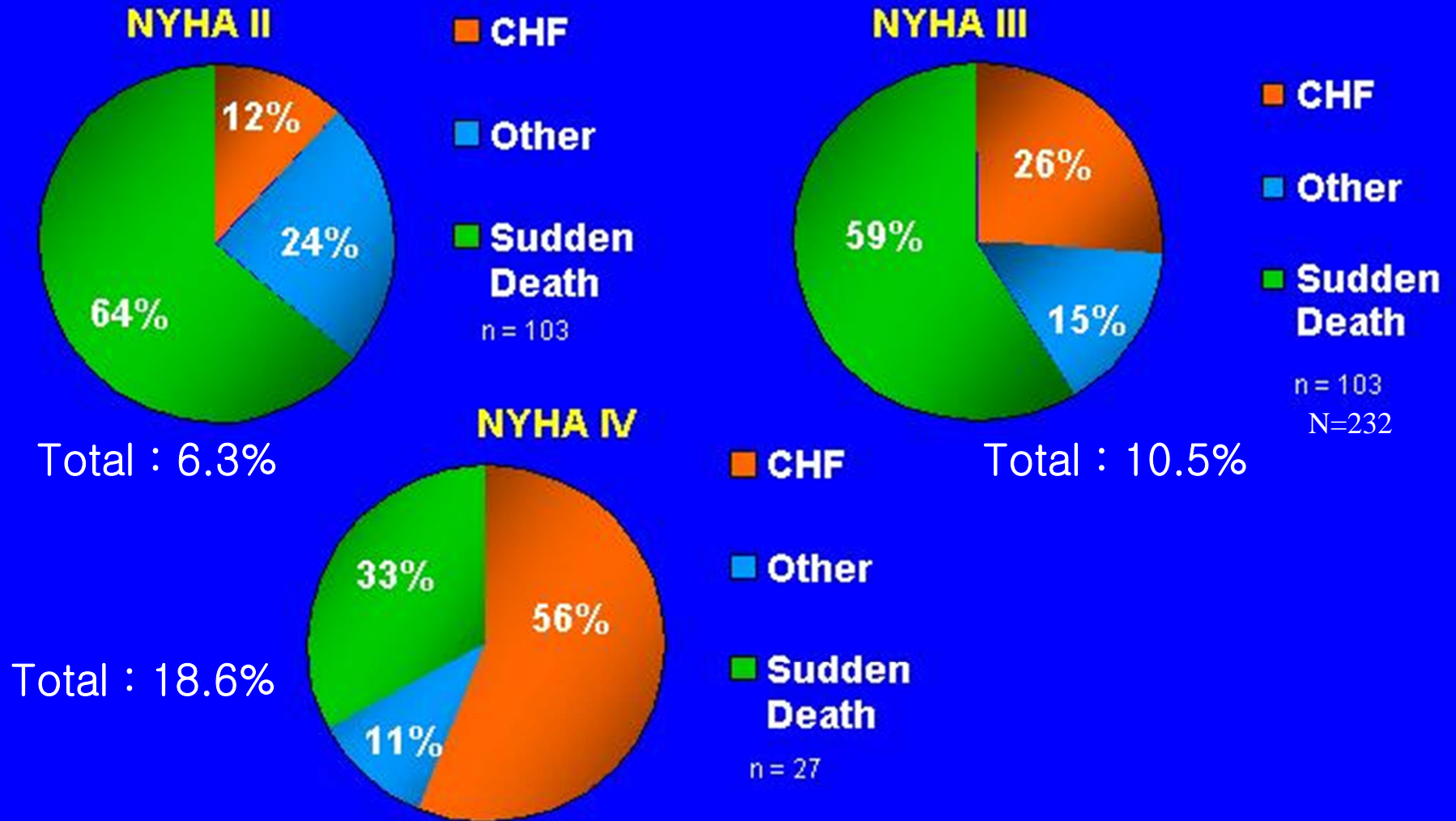
- **Ventricular tachycardia**

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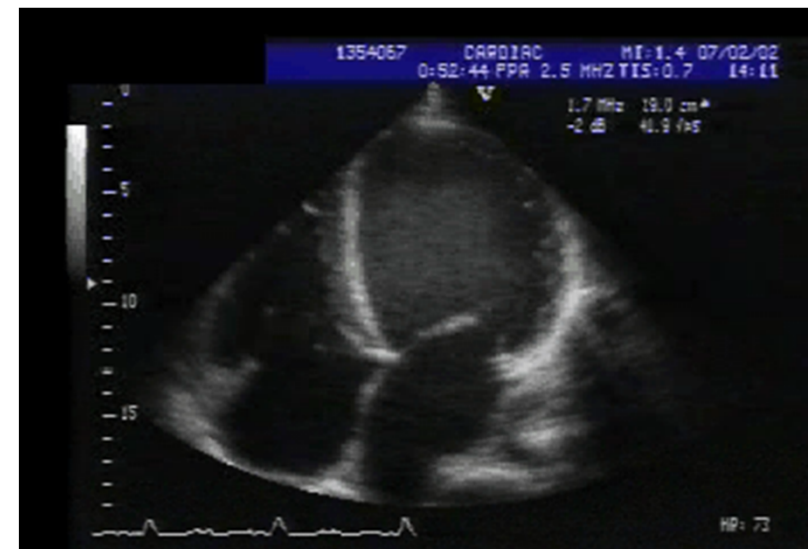
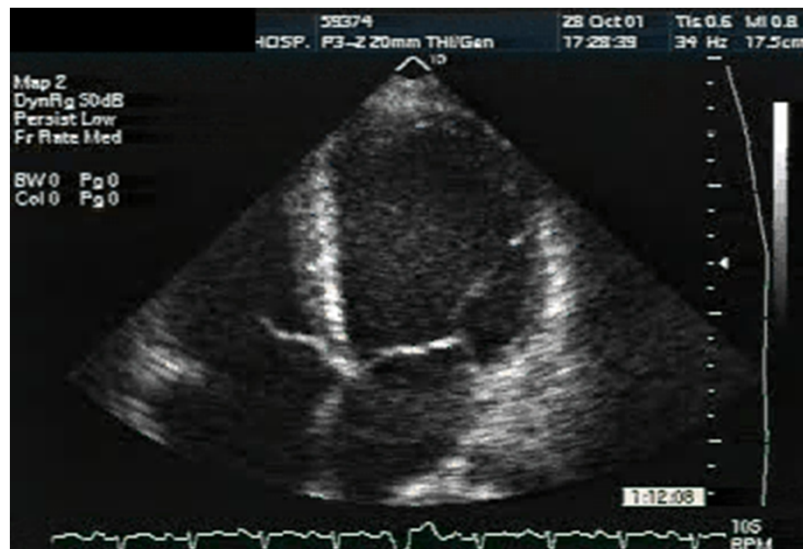
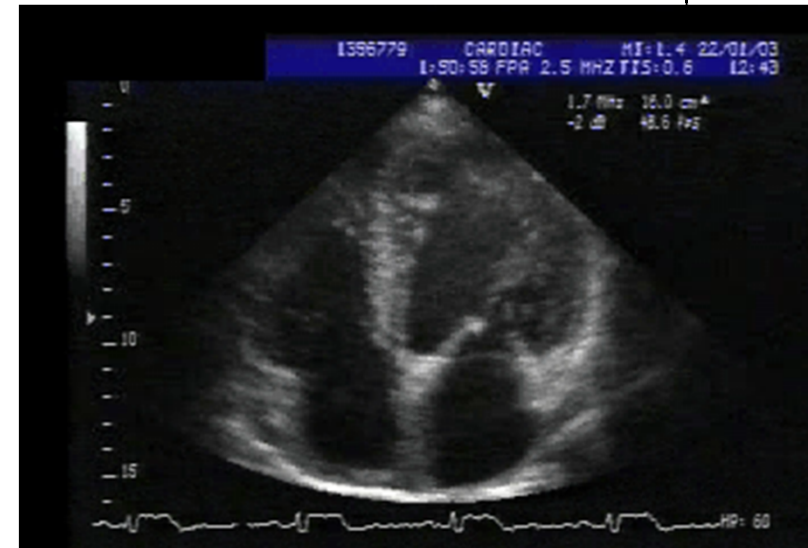
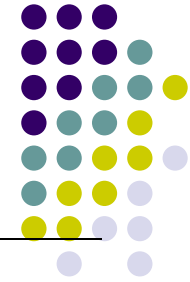


Severity of Heart Failure

Modes of Death



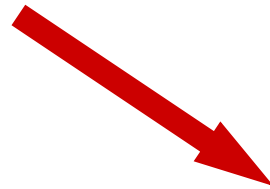
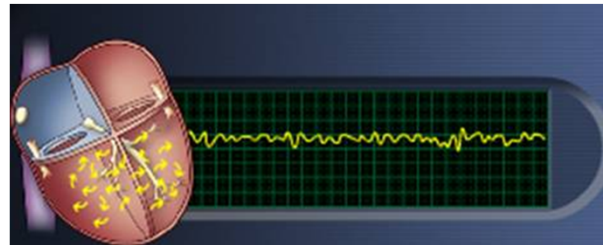
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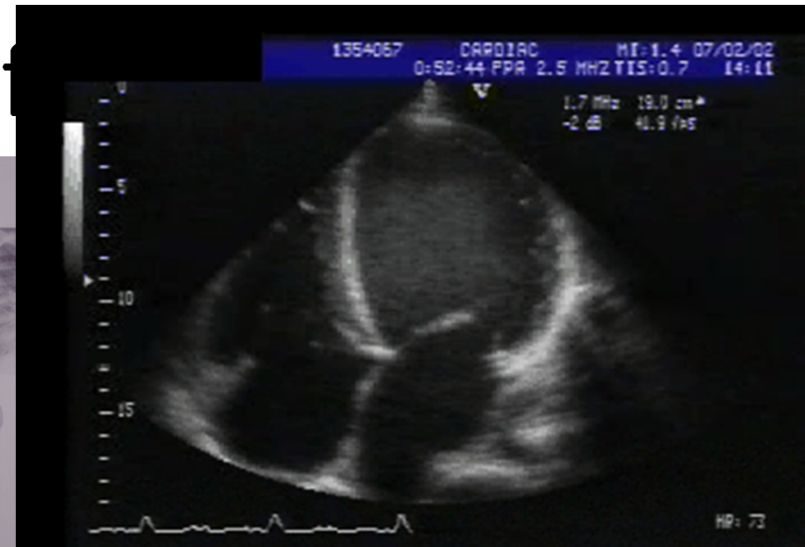
Causes of death



Arrhythmia



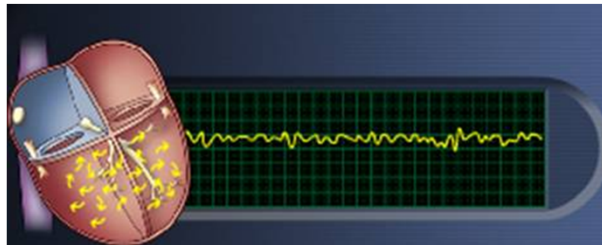
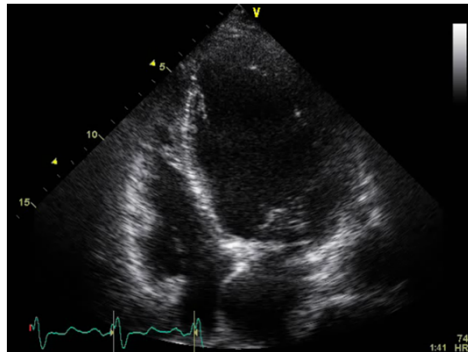
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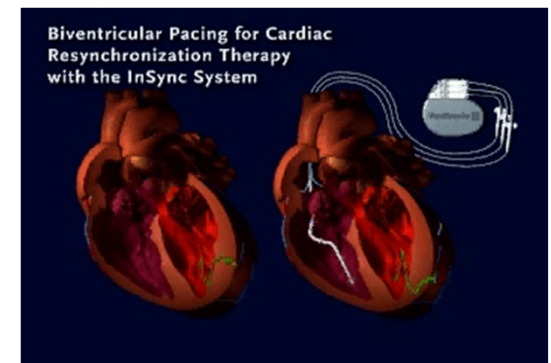
Causes of death



Arrhythmia → ICD



Pump failure → CRT



Echocardiography - LVEF



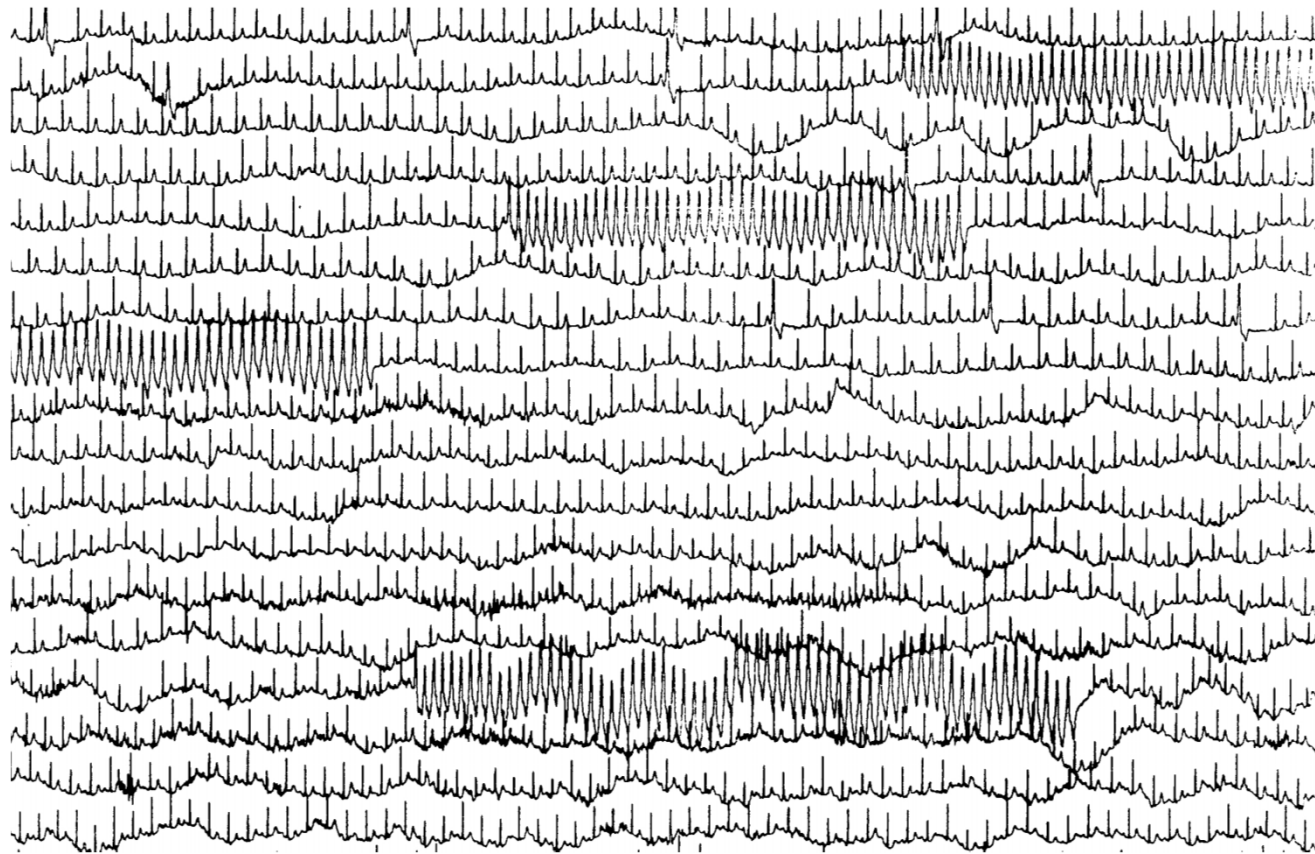
- **Advantages**

- Available in almost all hospitals
- Routinely performed in patients post AMI
- Provides additional information (eg, valvular function)
- Cut-off values for ICD insertion stated in guidelines

- **Disadvantages / limitations**

- Although low LVEF has been effectively used to select high-risk patients for application of therapy to prevent sudden arrhythmic death, LVEF has limited sensitivity:
- The majority of SCDs occur in patients with more preserved LVEF
- LVEF may improve with time (with medication or revascularisation)

Natural history of ARVC ???



Arrhythmic risk stratification pyramid and current indications for implantation of an implantable cardioverter defibrillator (ICD) based on observational studies on ICD therapy in arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy dyplasia (ARVC/D).

