An aerial photograph of the Samsung Seoul Hospital, a large, modern multi-story building with a glass facade and a curved design. The building is surrounded by a landscaped area with trees and a road. The sky is blue with white clouds.

*Pulmonary atresia  
with IVS*

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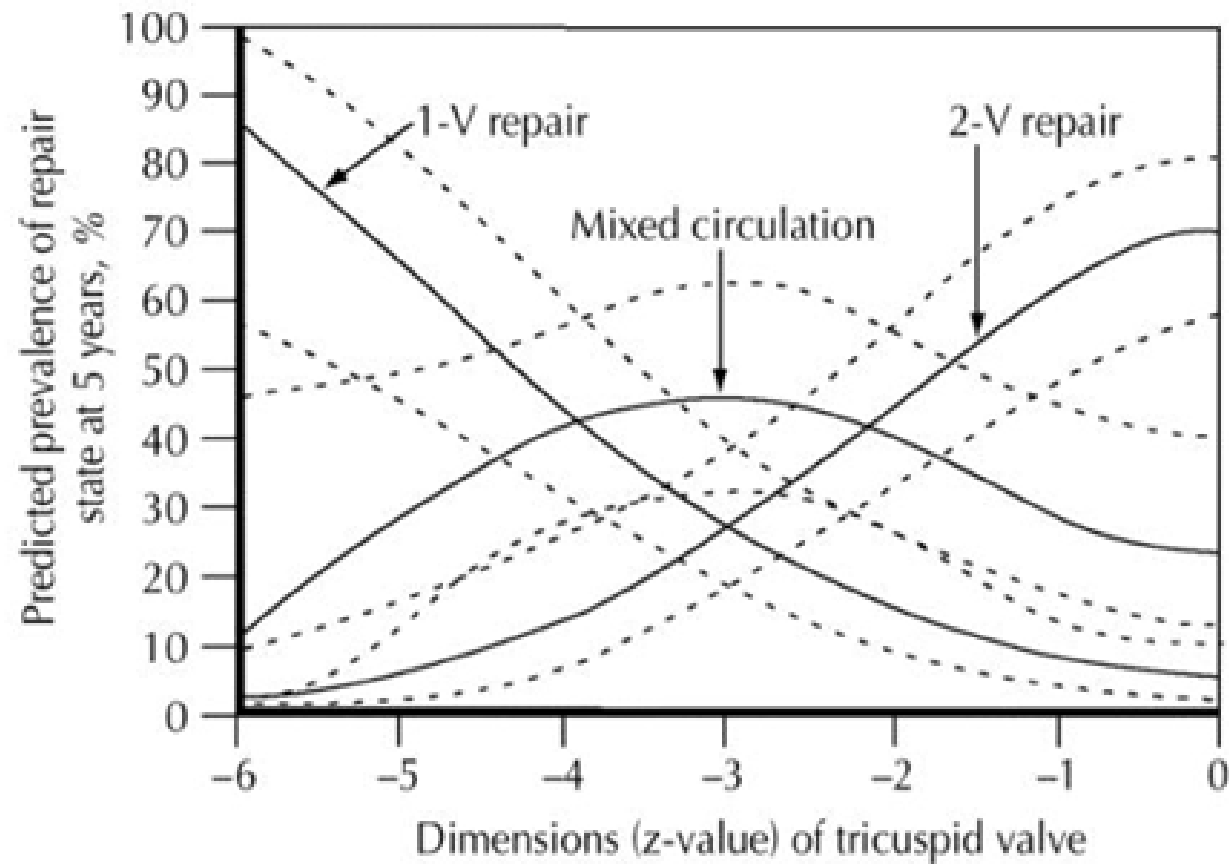
## *Pulmonary atresia with intact ventricular septum*

- Absence of communication between RV – PA
- Intact septum
- Morphologically heterogeneous
- Varying degrees of RV and TV hypoplasia
- Aberrations of coronary circulation are common

# *Treatment strategy for PA IVS*

- Initial palliation
- Additional procedure
- Definite repair
- Individualized plan for surgical management, based on the special morphology, is necessary.

*Predicted prevalence 5 years after entry  
(CHSS : 31 institute)*



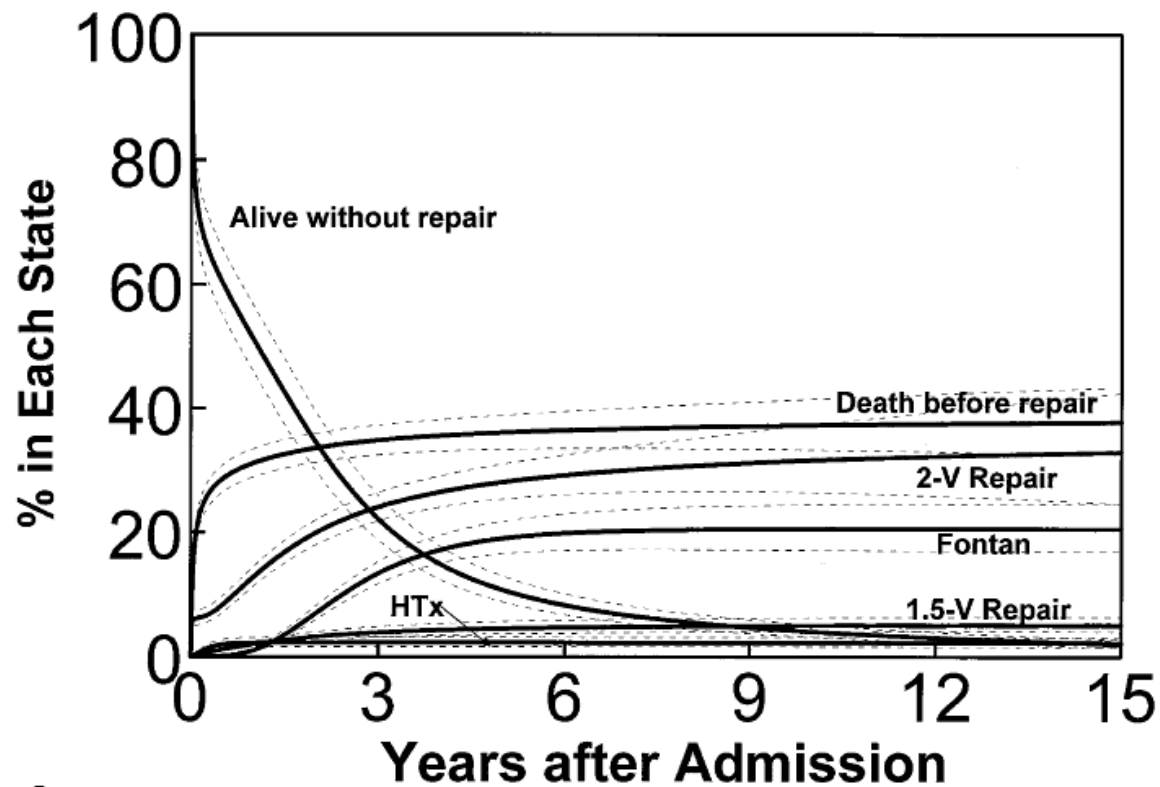
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- 1987 – 1997
- 408 neonates , 33 institutes
- Overall survival : 77% at 1months, 70% at 6 months  
60% at 5 years, 58% at 15 years
- In the current era, 85% of neonates are likely to reach a definitive surgical end point, with 2-ventricle repair achieved in an estimated 50%

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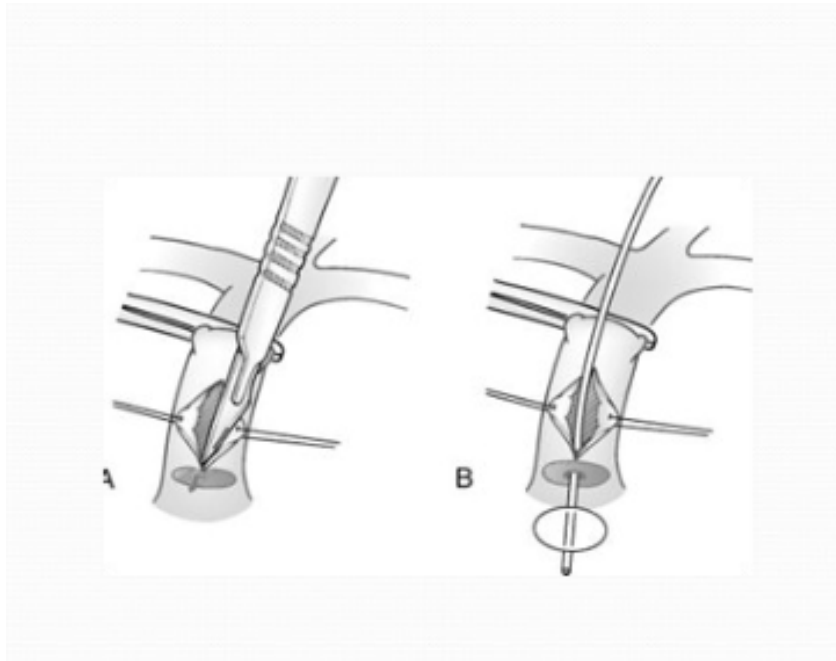
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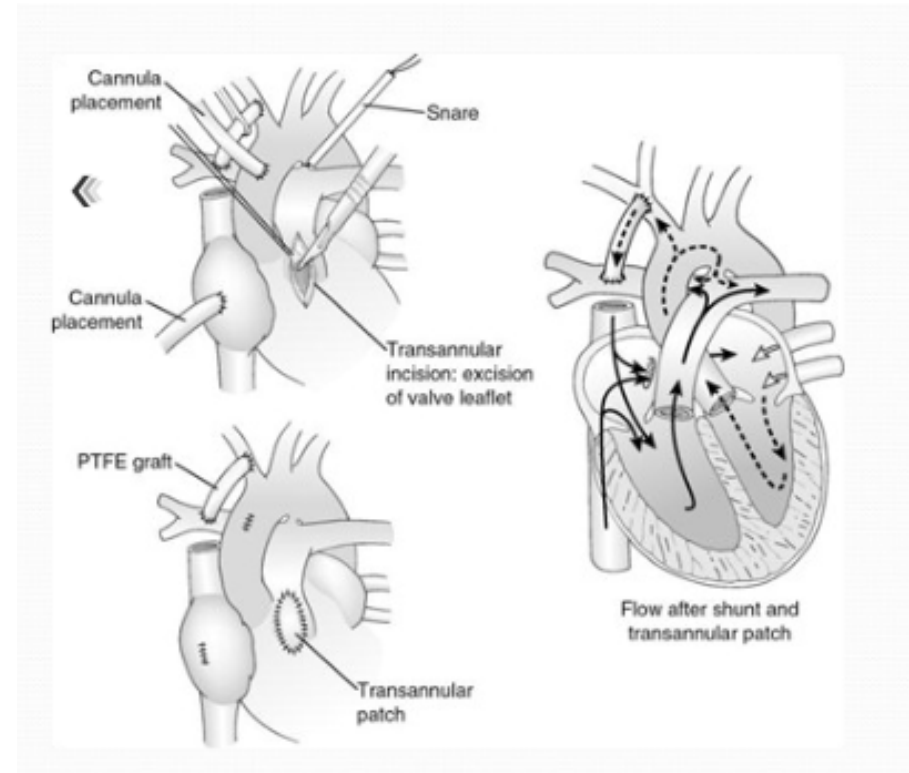
## *Initial palliation*

- Adequate RV decompression – 2 ventricle strategy
  - Transpulmonary valvotomy  $\pm$  shunt
  - Outflow tract patch reconstruction  $\pm$  shunt
  - Balloon valvuloplasty
  
- Systemic pulmonary shunt only - 1 ventricle strategy
  - RV dependent coronary circulation
  - Small RV with muscular atresia

# *Initial palliation*



Transpulmonary valvotomy



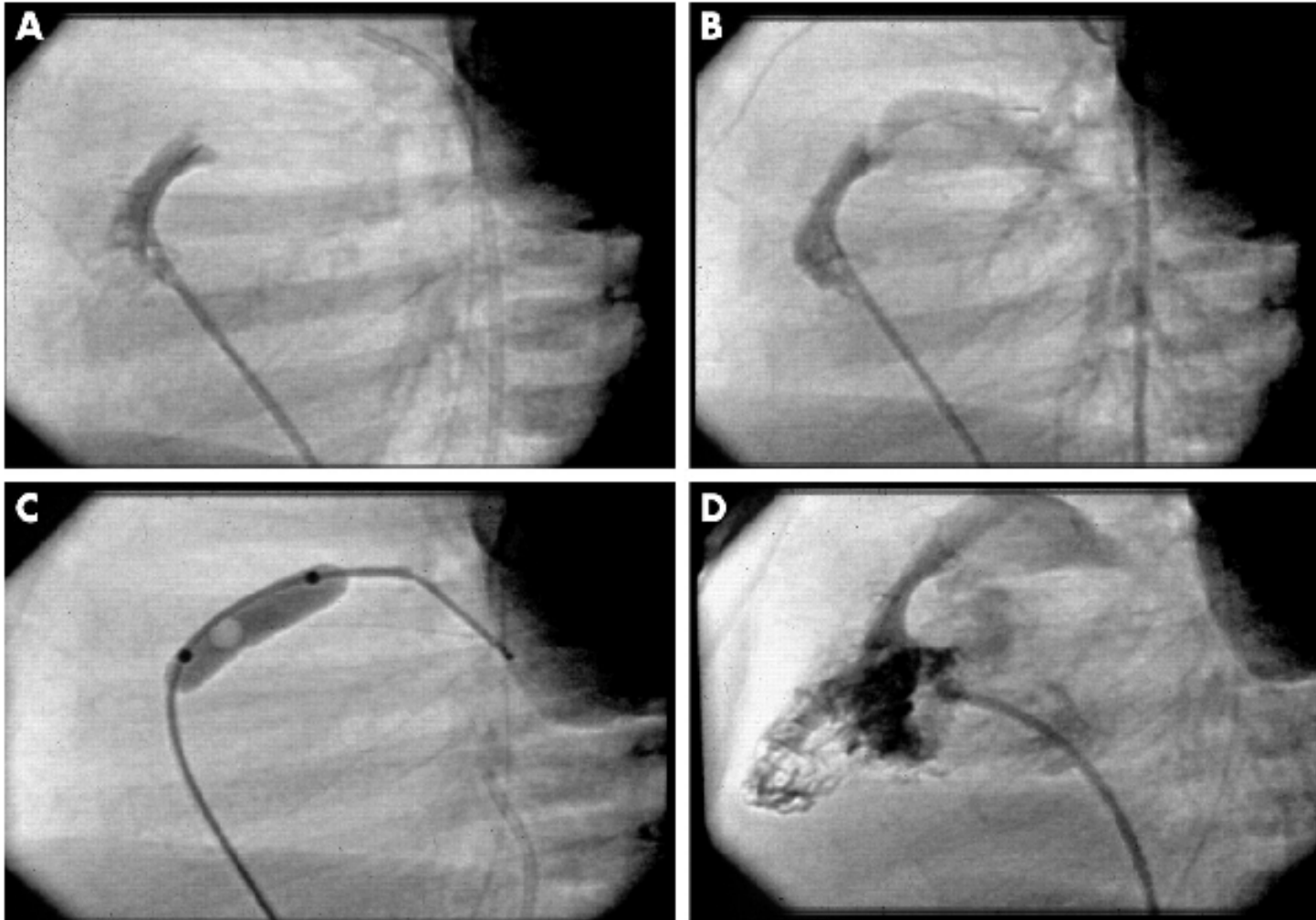
RVOT patch



## *RV decompression*

<b>Transpulmonary valvotomy ± shunt</b>	<b>RVOT patch widening ± shunt</b>
Avoid CPB in neonate Less ventricular damage Less pulmonary regurgitation	No residual RVOTO Pulmonary regurgitation can augment RV growth
Residual RVOT obstruction Limitation of RV growth	Need CPB in neonate Heart failure

# *Catheter based balloon valvuloplasty*

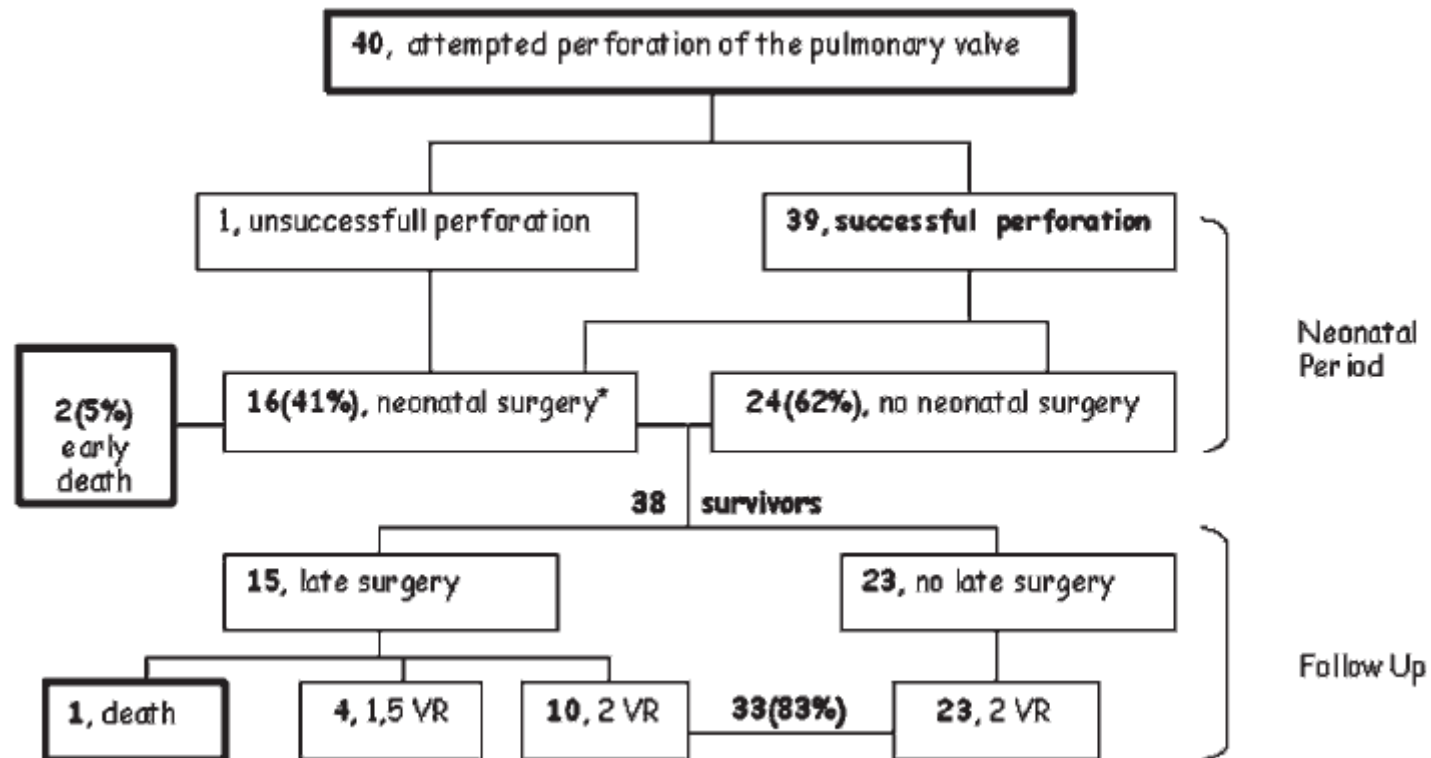


# *Catheter based balloon valvuloplasty*

- Benefits
  - Avoid cardiopulmonary bypass in neonate
  - Delaying surgical intervention
- Limitations
  - Cannot enlarge pulmonary valve annulus
  - Difficult to anticipate pulmonary annulus growth
  - Cannot relieve subpulmonary muscular obstruction

# Long-term results of catheter-based treatment of pulmonary atresia and intact ventricular septum

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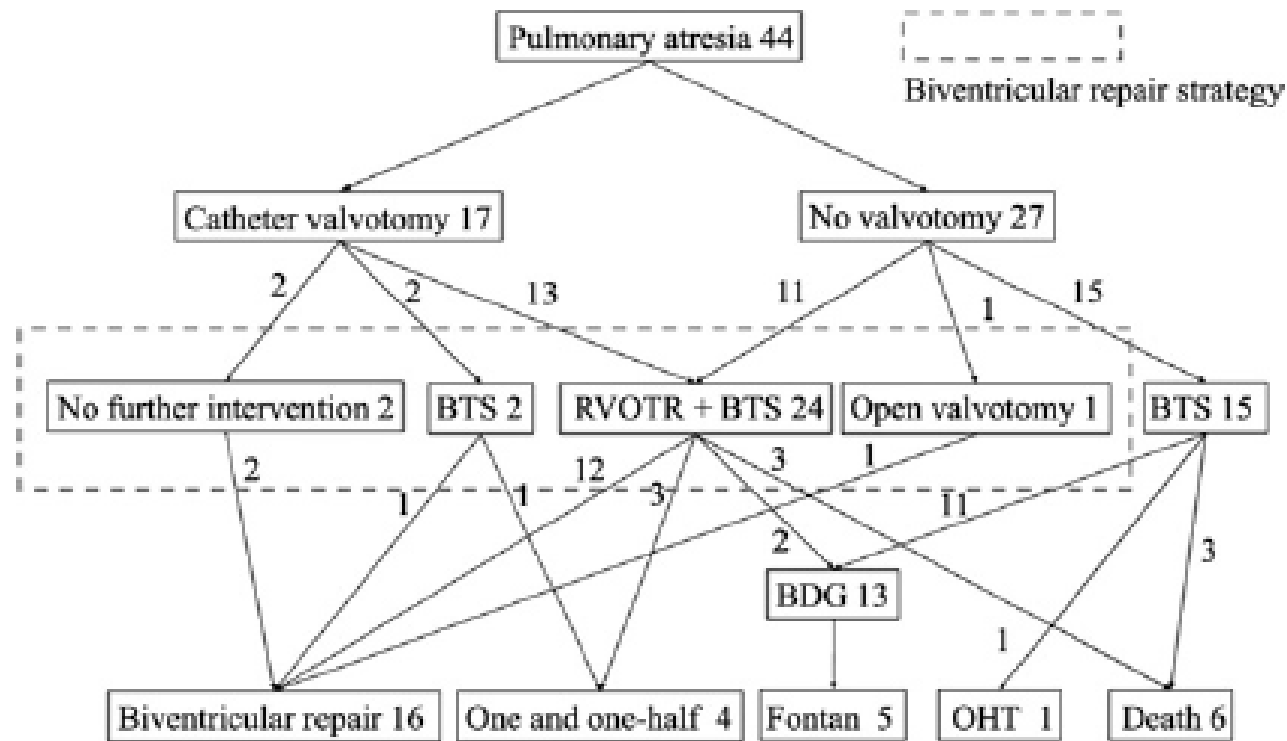


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# Pulmonary Atresia With Intact Ventricular Septum: Limitations of Catheter-Based Intervention

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# *Effect of residual RVOT obstruction*

## Residual RV obstruction

- Hindrance to RV growth
- Decreased RV dimension and TV size
- Persistent right ventricular sinusoids
  
- Micro and macro coronary abnormalities

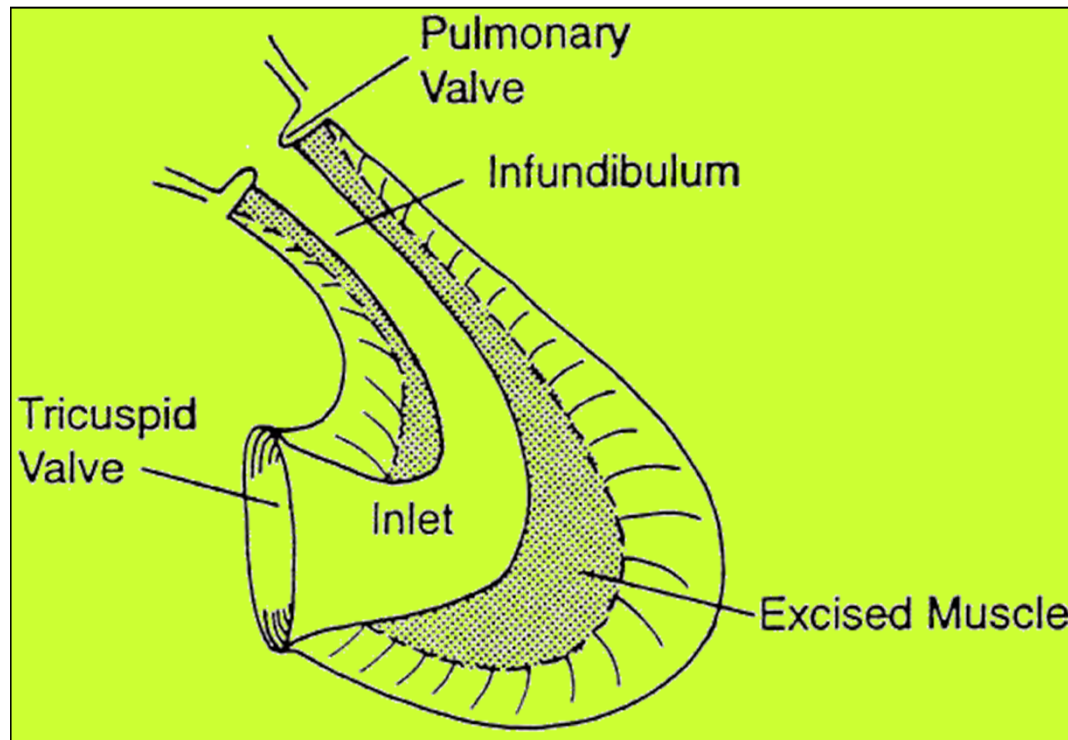
*Early re-evaluation after the RV  
decompression and adequate additional  
palliative procedures are essential for the  
preparation for the definite repair*

# *Secondary palliative surgery*

- Repeated balloon valvuloplasty
- Preparation for bi-ventricular repair
  - RVOT reconstruction
  - RV overhaul procedure
  - Closure or adjustment of atrial communication
- Preparation for uni-ventricular repair
  - BCPS



# *Right ventricular overhaul*



- TV valvotomy
- RV muscle resection
- PV valvotomy
- RVOT patch

**Pawade A et al. J Cardiac Surg 1993;8:371-383**

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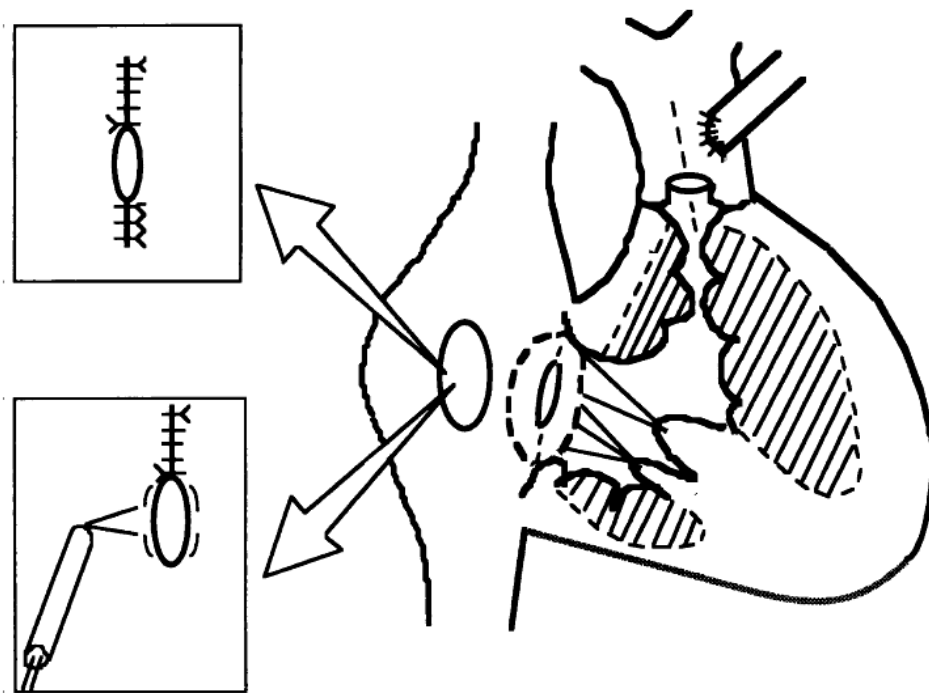
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- 1991 – 1999
- 25 patients ( critical PS in 6)
- BAS in 21 patients
  
- Z value of T valve : - 1.4 ( range, -4.4 – 2.3)
- Initial pulmonary valvotomy
- Repeated valvotomy or surgical palliation

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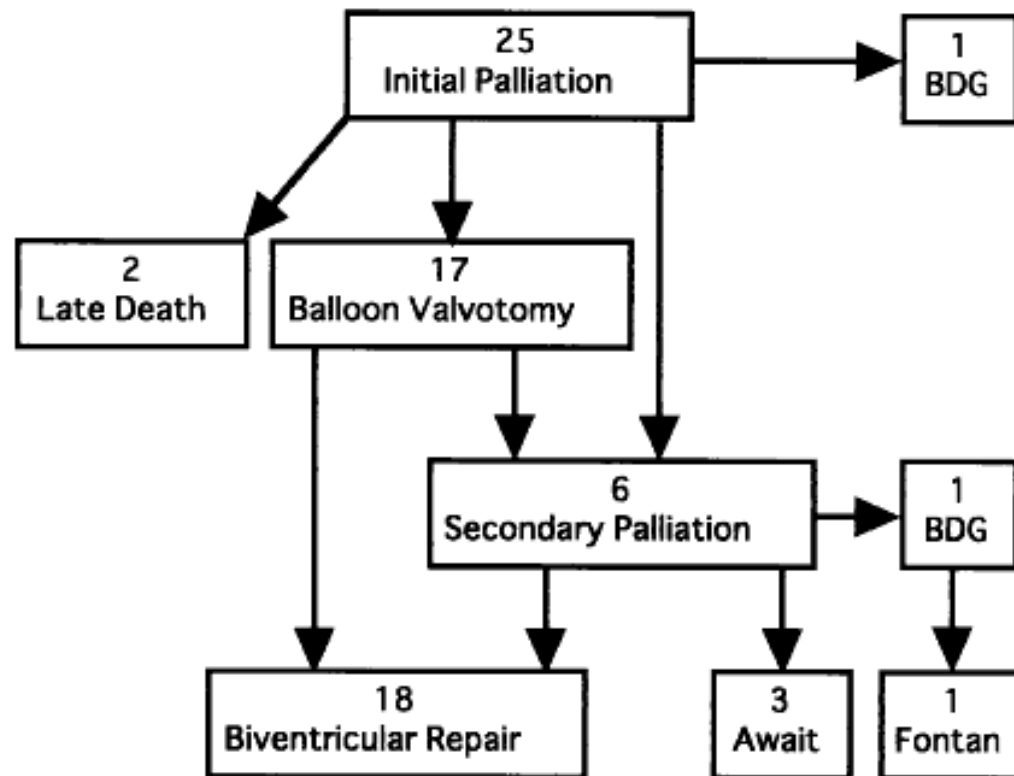


- Initial pulmonary valvotomy
- Overhaul
- Adjustment of interatrial communication

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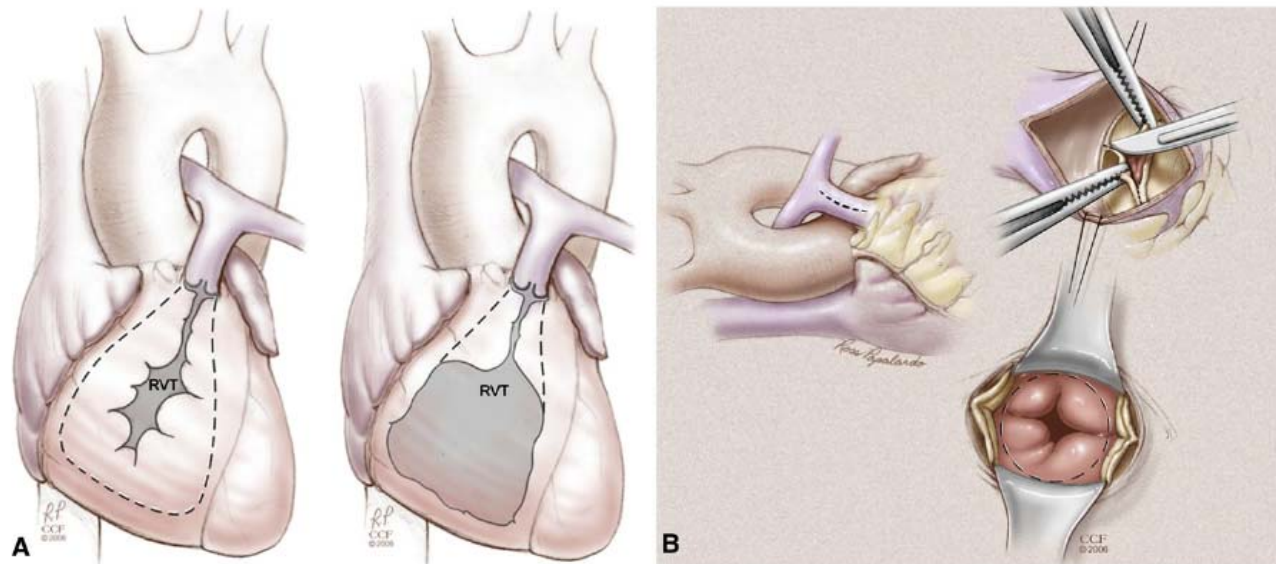
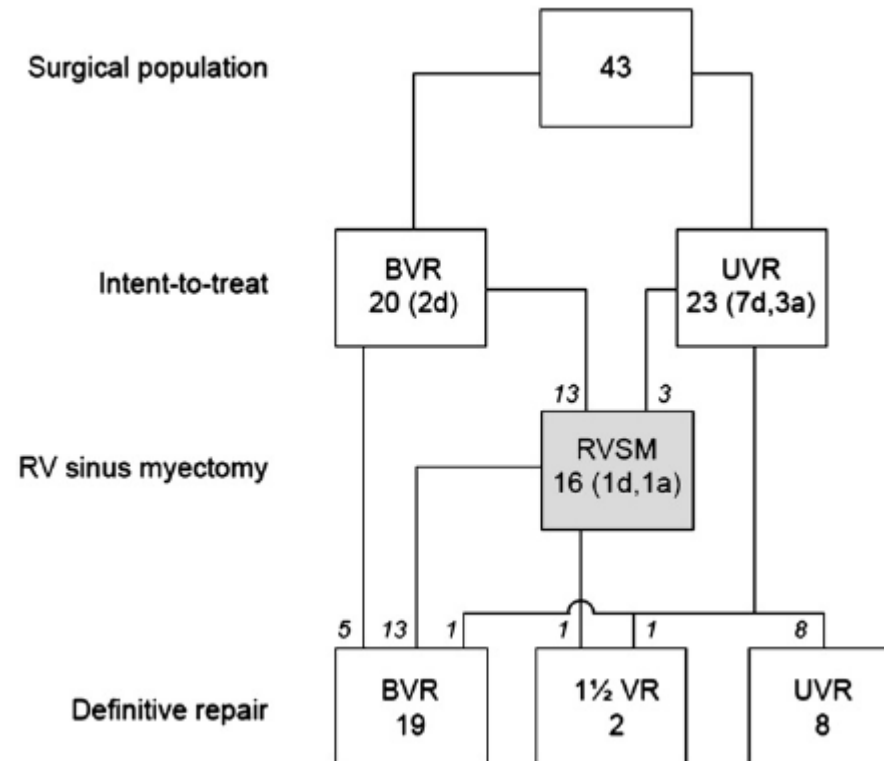


Figure 1. Right ventricular myectomy is performed by means of a combined transatrial/transpulmonary approach. A, On the left, the dashed line indicates the intended extent of right ventricular sinus resection. On the right, the figure represents the results of sinus resection through the tricuspid valve. B, On the left, an incision is made in the pulmonary trunk. At top right, pulmonary valvotomy is shown. This reveals infundibular muscle (lower right) that will be resected (dashed line) to complete the right ventricular myectomy. RVT, Right ventricular trabecular sinus.

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- 13/16 biventricular repair
- Death: 3 (19%, 3/16)
- Survival rate: 94%, 85% (5 year), 64% (10 year)
- Small tricuspid valve - poor result

## *Definite repair*

- Biventricular repair
- One and half repair
- Single ventricle repair
- Transplantation



*Bi-ventricular repair*

## *Bi-ventricular repair*

- RVOT reconstruction
  - Pericardial patch, monocuspid patch,
  - homograft, tissue valve
- RV muscle resection and enlargement
- TV repair
- Atrial communication closure or adjustment
- Removal of additional pulmonary blood source.

## *Late problems after bi-ventricular repair*

- RV dysfunction
- Tricuspid valve regurgitation
- Pulmonary valve regurgitation
- Pulmonary artery deformity
- Repeated reoperation or interventions

# Risk factors for early death and reoperation following biventricular repair of pulmonary atresia with intact ventricular septum

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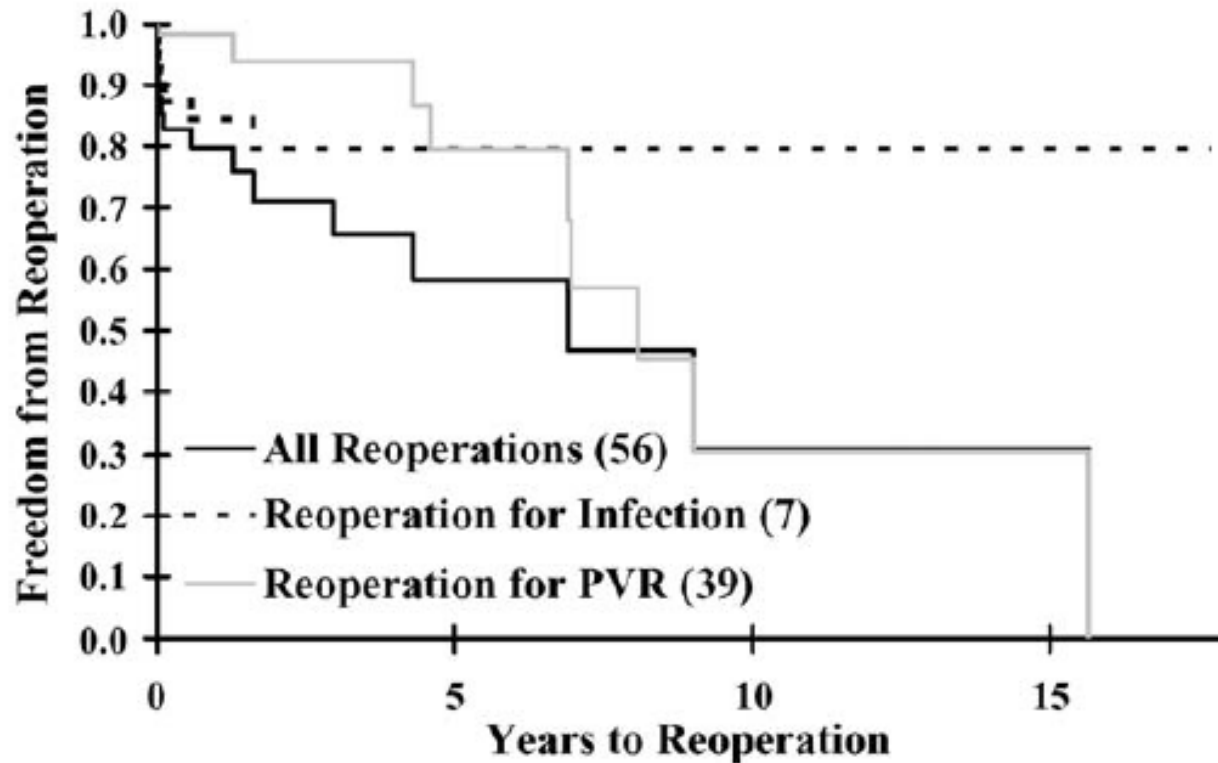
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- 1982 – 2001: 106 patients
- Biventricular repair (n=30), one and half repair (n=26)
- Single ventricle repair (n=23), transplantation (n=2)
- death before definite repair (n=9), follow up loss (n=8), waiting definite repair (n=8)
  
- 5 – year survival after definite repair : 91.5%
- Risk factor for early death:
  - Omission of palliative RVOT relief
  - Non Causasian race

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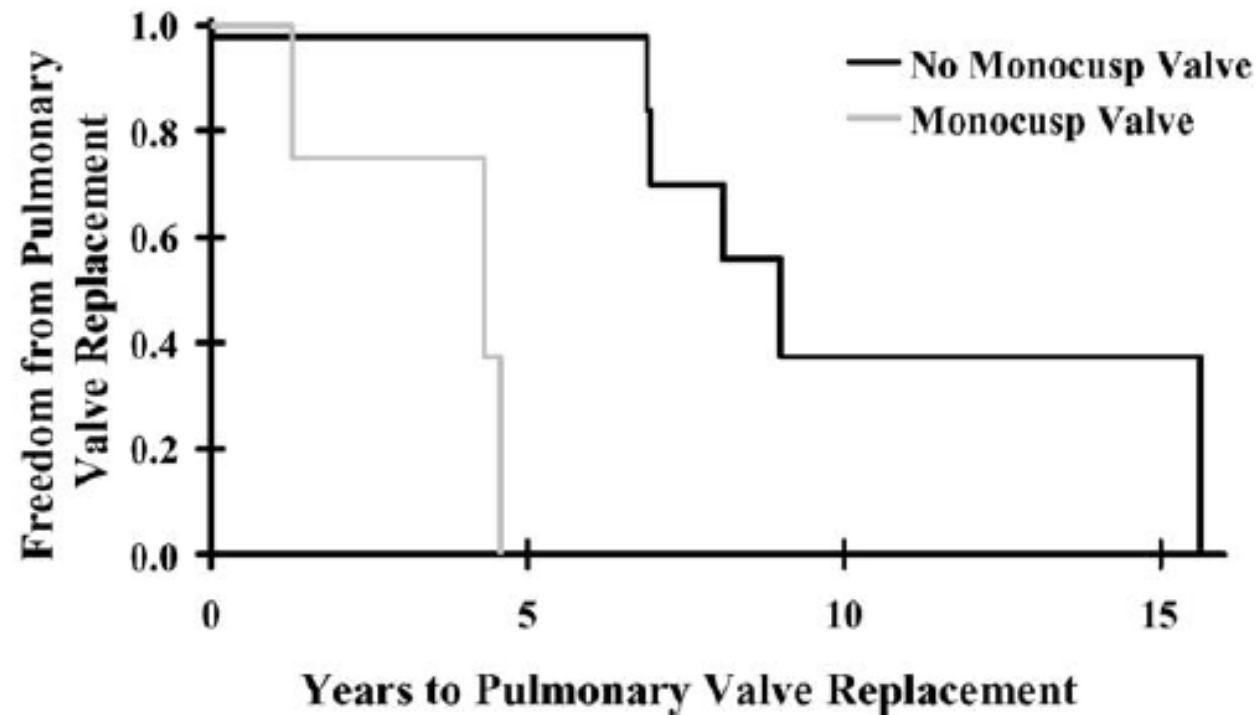
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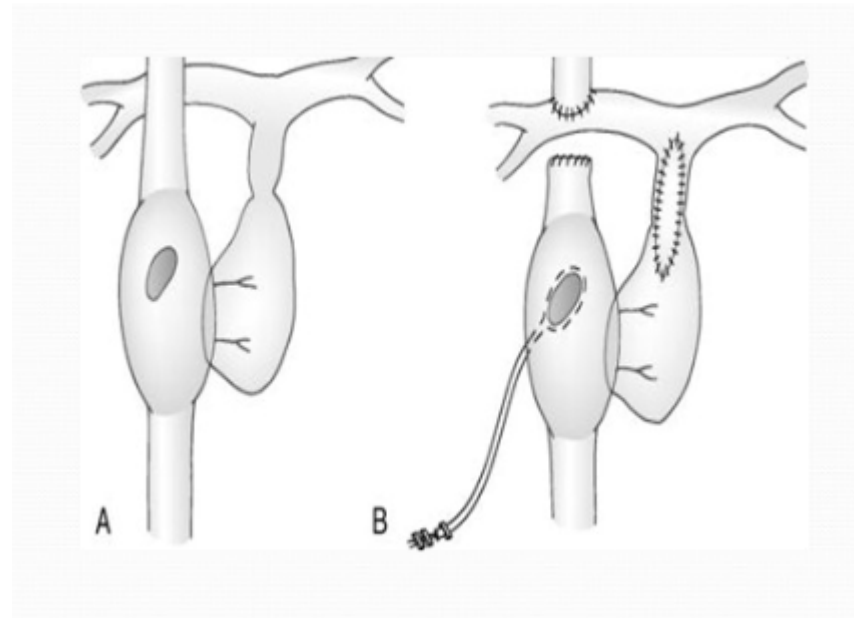
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*Partial bi-ventricular repair*

# *One and Half ventricle repair*

- BCPS
- ASD closure or adjustment
- RVOT patch or homograft
- RV muscle resection
- Shunt take down





## *Advantage of 1+ 1/2 ventricle repair*

- Physiologic benefit of lower systemic venous pressure (corresponding potential salutatory effects on cerebral, coronary, hepatic and splanchnic circulatory beds)
- Prevention of right heart blood stasis and subsequent thrombo-embolism
- Improved exercise tolerance
- Naturally pulsatile pulmonary blood flow.
- Avoid RV volume loading
- RV growth and TV growth

## *Fate of one and half repair*

- We don't know the long term result
- Possible problems
  - TR
  - Pulmonary regurgitation
  - RV dysfunction
  - Arrhythmias
- Consider conversion from one-half ventricular repair to Single ventricle type repair just in case

# Pulmonary Atresia With Intact Ventricular Septum: Long-Term Results of "One and a Half Ventricular Repair"

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*Background.* Between 1982 and 1984, we successfully performed "one and a half ventricular repair" using a Glenn shunt for 3 patients with pulmonary atresia with intact ventricular septum. Here we review the 10-year follow-up results.

*Methods.* In these patients, the preoperative Z scores of the tricuspid valve diameters ranged from -5.2 to -6.5. Right ventricular outflow tract reconstruction combined with a Glenn shunt were performed in all patients. Cardiac catheterization was done at least 10 years postoperatively.

*Results.* All 3 patients have maintained New York Heart Association functional class I status for more than

10 years. Angiography in 2 patients confirms sufficient left pulmonary artery pressure with pulsatile blood flow and good right ventricular contraction. A pulmonary arteriovenous fistula has developed in 1 patient.

*Conclusions.* Although the lower limits of the tricuspid valve diameter for "one and a half ventricular repair" using a cavopulmonary shunt have not yet been determined, we successfully performed this procedure in 3 patients with severely hypoplastic right ventricles and tricuspid valve diameter Z scores of less than -5.0. The results up to 10 years postoperatively are acceptable.

(*Ann Thorac Surg* 1995;60:1762-4)

*Updated in 2001 by Hiroo Takayama, MD, Akihiko Sekiguchi, MD, and Masahide Chikada, MD*

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- Follow-up : 17 – 19 years
- Functional class : I
- Exercise ECG : supraventricular arrhythmia in 2  
ST deression in 1
- Echo
  - Increased RV EDV
  - TR : mild in 1
- Pulmonary regurgitation
- Pulmonary AV fistular in 2

Long-term functional results of the one and one half ventricular repair  
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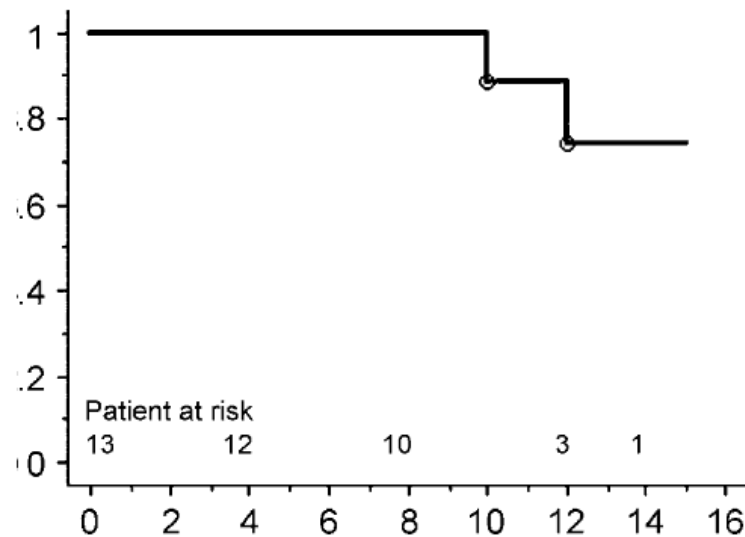
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- National cardiovascular center , Japan
- From 1987 – 1999
- 7 PA IVS, 6 PS RV hypoplasia ( 3 Ebstein's)
- One half ventricle repair
  
- Age at 1.5 repair: 4 years ( 10 months – 9years)
- Follow up : 3 – 15 years ( 10 +\_ 4 years)

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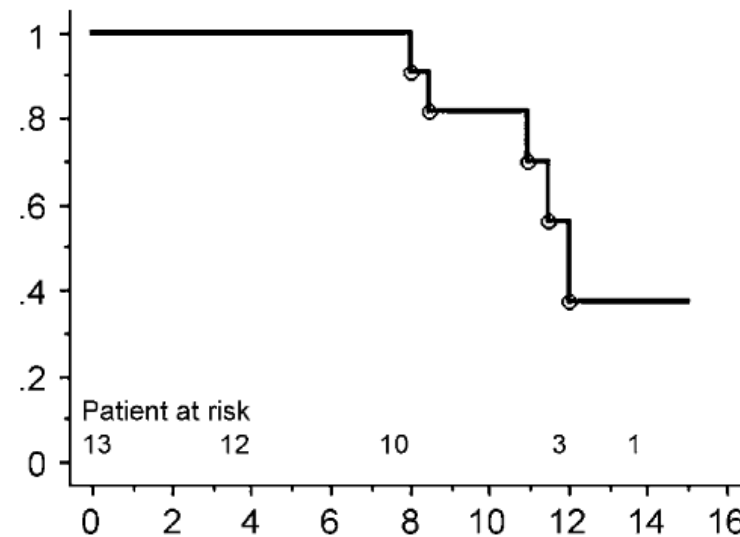
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### Survival curve



years after operation

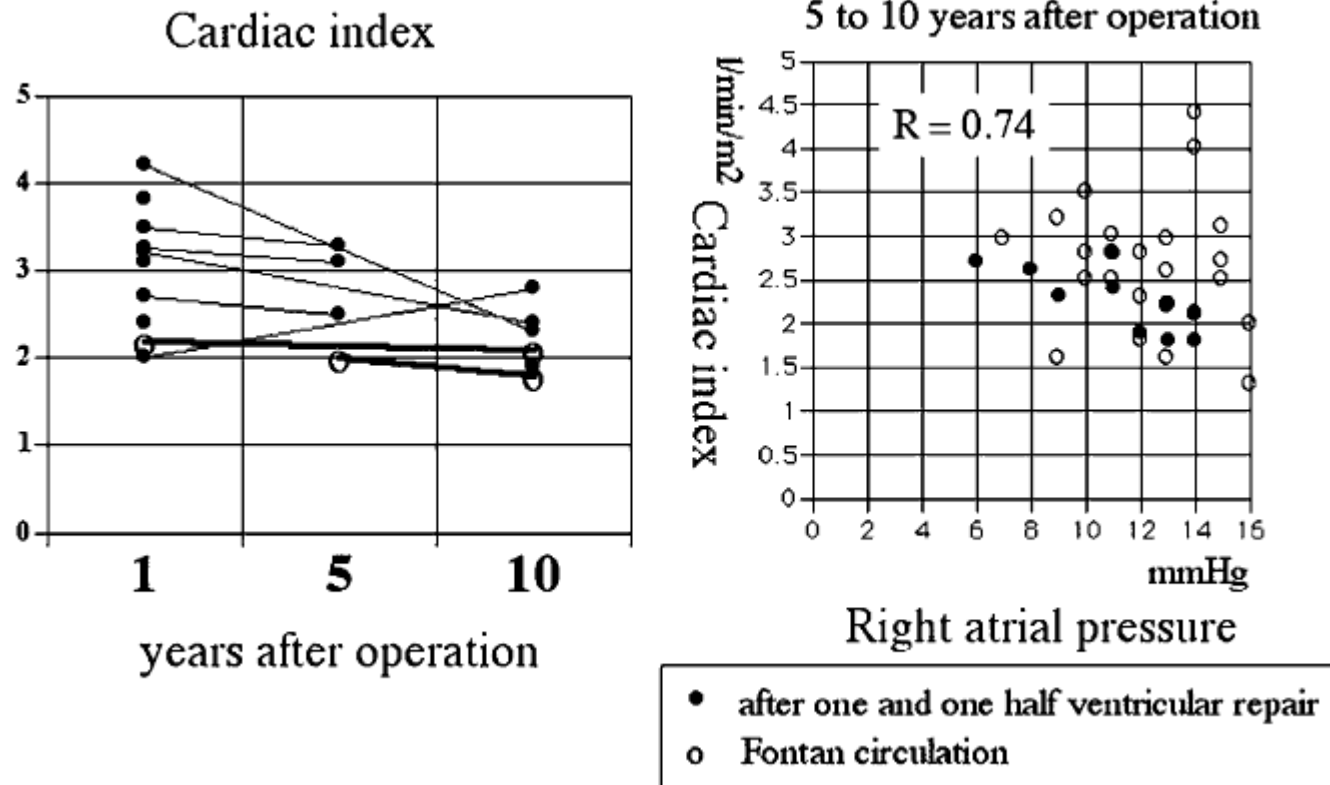
### Arrhythmia free curve



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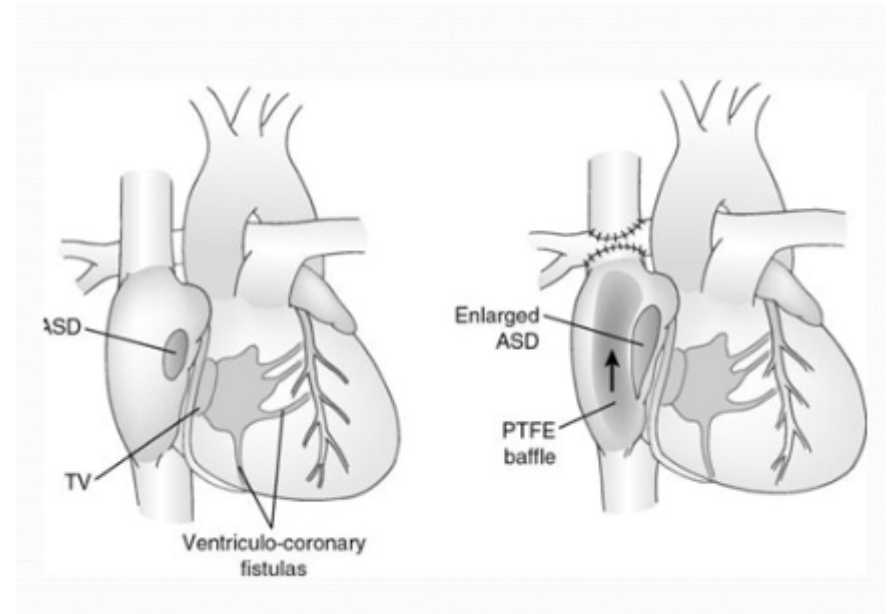


*Uni-ventricular repair*



# *Univentricular repair*

- BDG after taking down of shunt at 4-6 months of age
- Fontan operation at 2-4 year of age
- Cardiac transplantation
- Heart lung transplantation

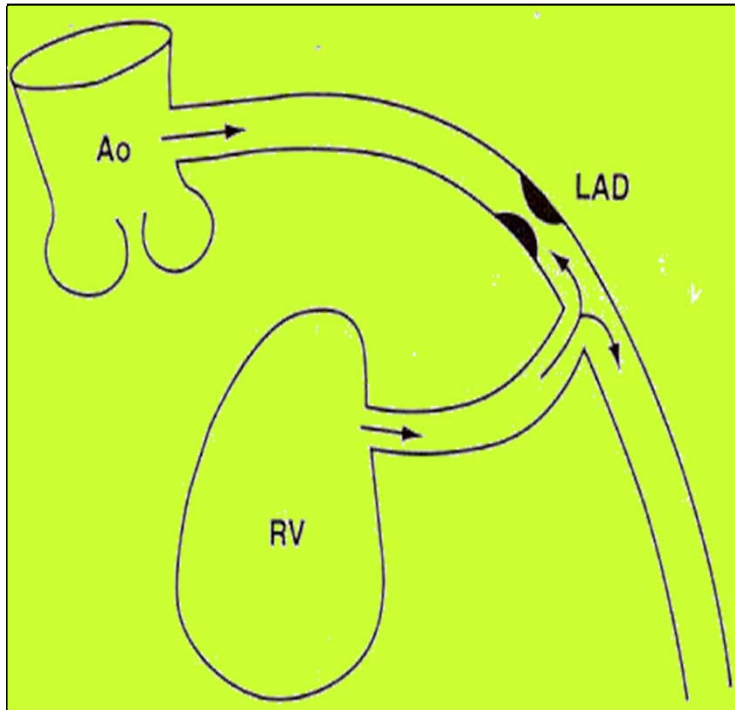


## *RV-coronary artery circulation*

- Frequency : 17 - 75% (Coles, 1989; Hanley, 1993)
- Fistula alone
- Fistula + stenosis or interruption to coronary arteries  
( RV dependent coronary circulation )



# *Mechanism of proximal coronary artery stenosis*



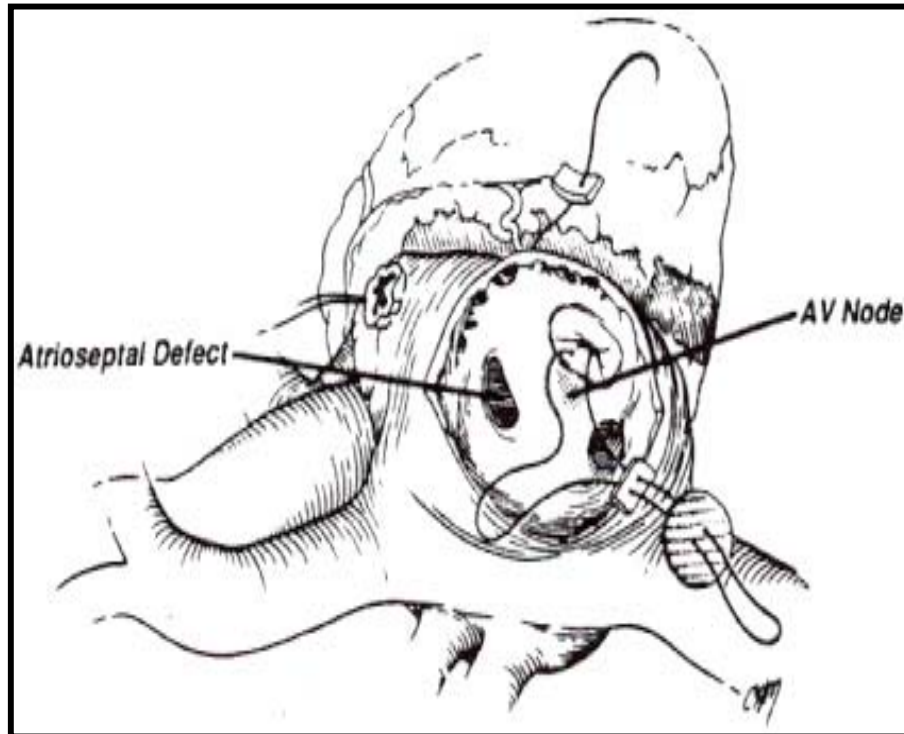
- Turbulent flow
- Intimal and adventitial fibrosis
- Medial muscular hypertrophy

Najm HK, et al. Ann Thorac Surg 1997;63:669-75

## *RV-coronary artery circulation*

- Deoxygenated blood supply to myocardium (systole)
- Coronary steal (diastole)
- Left ventricular dysfunction
  
- Decompression of RV -- increase ischemia (Giglia, 1992)
  
- Tricuspid valve excision or avulsion (Hawkins, 1990)
- TV closure (Waldman, 1995)
- Thromboexclusion of RV (Najm, 1997; William, 1991)
- Aortic - RV shunt (Laks, 1995; Freeman 1993)
  
- Transplantation

## *TV closure in RV-CAC*



- Assessing hemodynamic stability -- temporary balloon closure
- not indicated RV dependent coronary circulation
- Closure by 6 months of age
- Patch of Dacron or Gore-Tex
- Base of septal leaflet

Waldman JD, et al. Ann Thorac Surg 1995;59:933-41

# *Thromboexclusion of RV*

- Not indicated with RV dependent coronary circulation
- Recommended before 1 year of age at the time of BCPS
- TV closure and Coils and Gelfoam injection to RV

Williams WG. Et al. J Thorac Cardiovasc Surg 1991;101:222-9

## *LV function after Fontan in PA-IVS*

- Poor LV function
  - RVDCC : myocardial ischemia
  - High pressure RV
- Abnormalities in myocardial perfusion

# Left ventricular performance of pulmonary atresia with intact ventricular septum after right heart bypass surgery

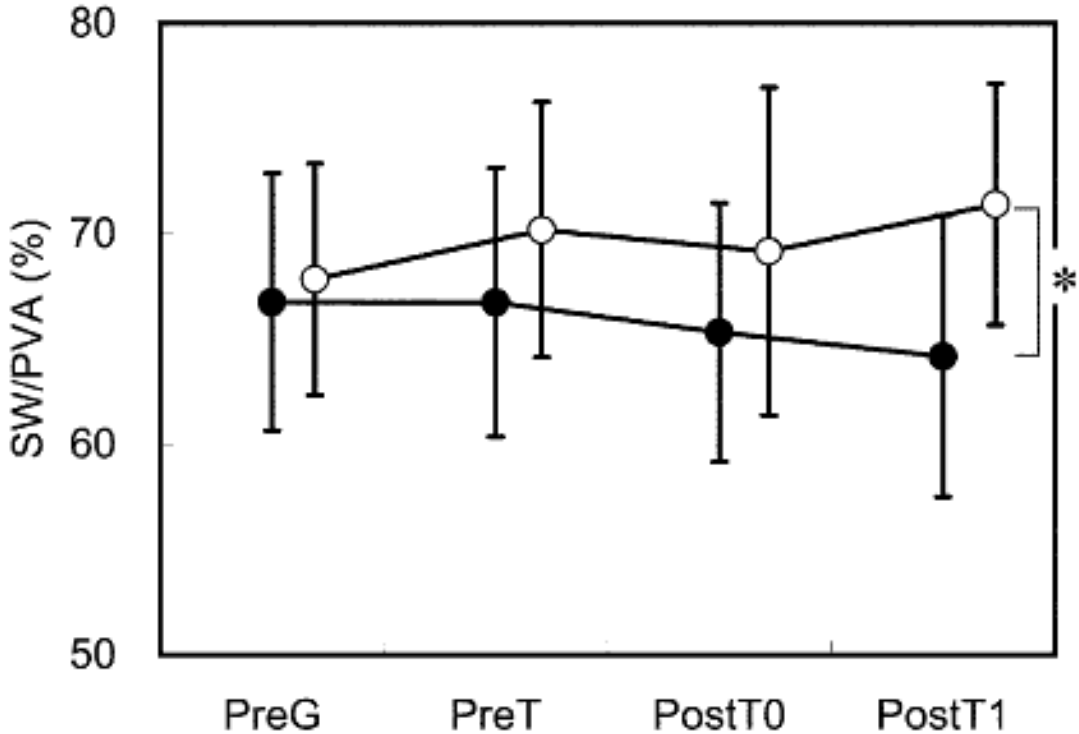
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- Fukuoka children's hospital
- 20 PA IVS vs. 21 TA
  
- Contractility
- Afterload
- Ventricular efficiency
- Stroke work, pressure – volume area
- Before and after BCPS



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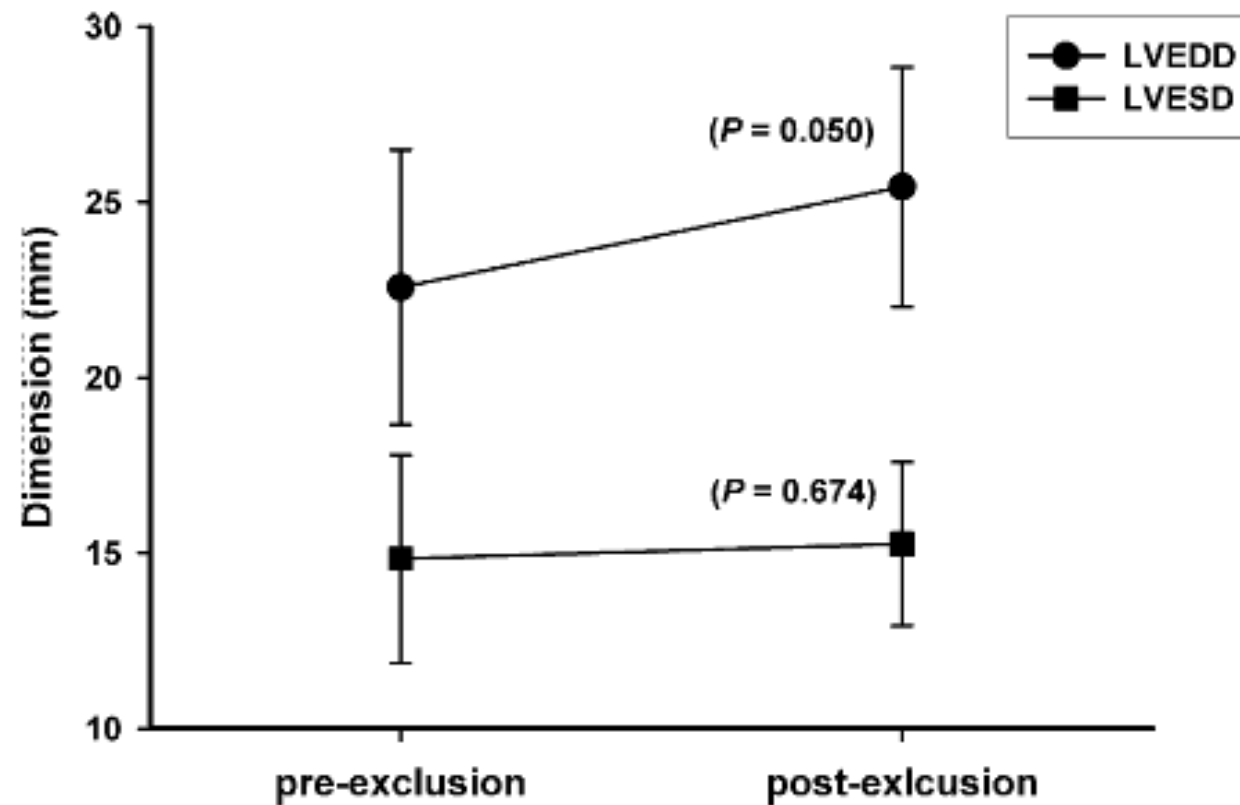
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Table 1  
Preoperative patients' characteristics and operative procedures

Patient no.	Age (months)	Previous procedure	z-Value	RV-to- coronary sinusoids	Operation				
					Palliative procedure	Tricuspid valve closure	Thrombotic material insertion	Atrial septectomy	Other procedures
1	13.8	RVOT + BT shunt at 3.7 months	-3.6	Yes	BCPS	Patch	—	Yes	—
2	6.9	RVOT + BT shunt at 6 days	-1.3	—	BCPS	Direct	—	Yes	RPA angioplasty
3	4.8	BVP at 8 days	-4	Yes	BCPS	Direct	Yes	Yes	—
4	10.0	BT shunt at 6 days	-3.3	—	BCPS	Direct	Yes	Yes	—
5	2.1	—	-5	—	BT shunt	Direct	Yes	Yes	—
6	6.2	BT shunt at 7 days	-3.2	—	BCPS	Direct	Yes	Yes	—
7	5.2	BT shunt at 23 days	-6.5	Yes	BCPS	Patch	Yes	Yes	—
8	0.2	—	Atretic	—	BT shunt	Direct	Yes	Yes	LPA angioplasty
9	2.6	—	-5.4	Yes	BT shunt	Direct	Yes	Yes	LPA angioplasty
10	0.4	—	-3.3	Yes	BT shunt	Direct	Yes	Yes	Coronary fistula ligation

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# Clinical outcomes of adult survivors of pulmonary atresia with intact ventricular septum

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Characteristics of PA-IVS cohort, surgical subgroups.

Characteristics <sup>a</sup>	Univentricular, palliated (n = 5)	Univentricular, Fontan (n = 7)	Biventricular repair (n = 8)	Total number (n = 20)
Average age, years <sup>b</sup>	29 (23–35)	28 (23–32)	30 (18–39)	29 (18–39)
Number of patients alive	4	5	6	15
NYHA class I–II <sup>b</sup>	4	4	6	14
Arrhythmias	3	7	6	16
Pulmonary hypertension	4	0 <sup>c</sup>	1	5
Endocarditis	3	1	0	4
Intracardiac thrombosis	0	4	2	6
Valvular dysfunction	1	2	8	15
Protein losing enteropathy	0	2	0	2
Echocardiogram parameters				
Left ventricular EF	55% (50–65%)	51% (45–58%)	58% (50–65%)	55% (45–65%)

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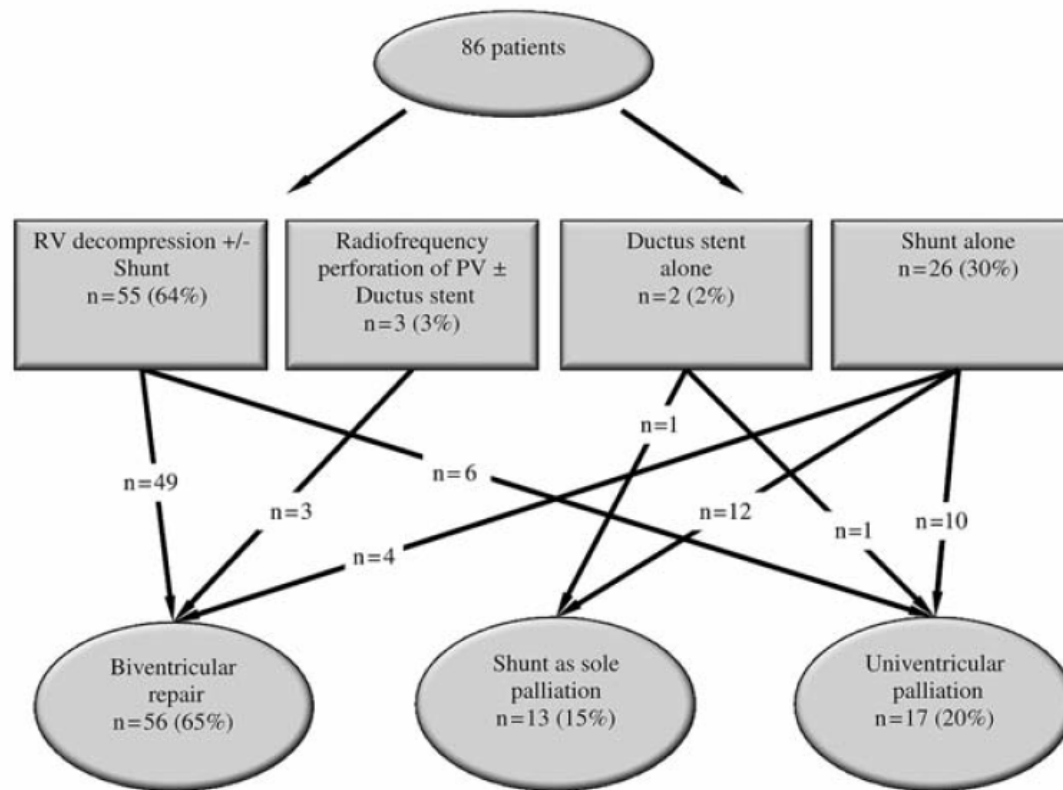
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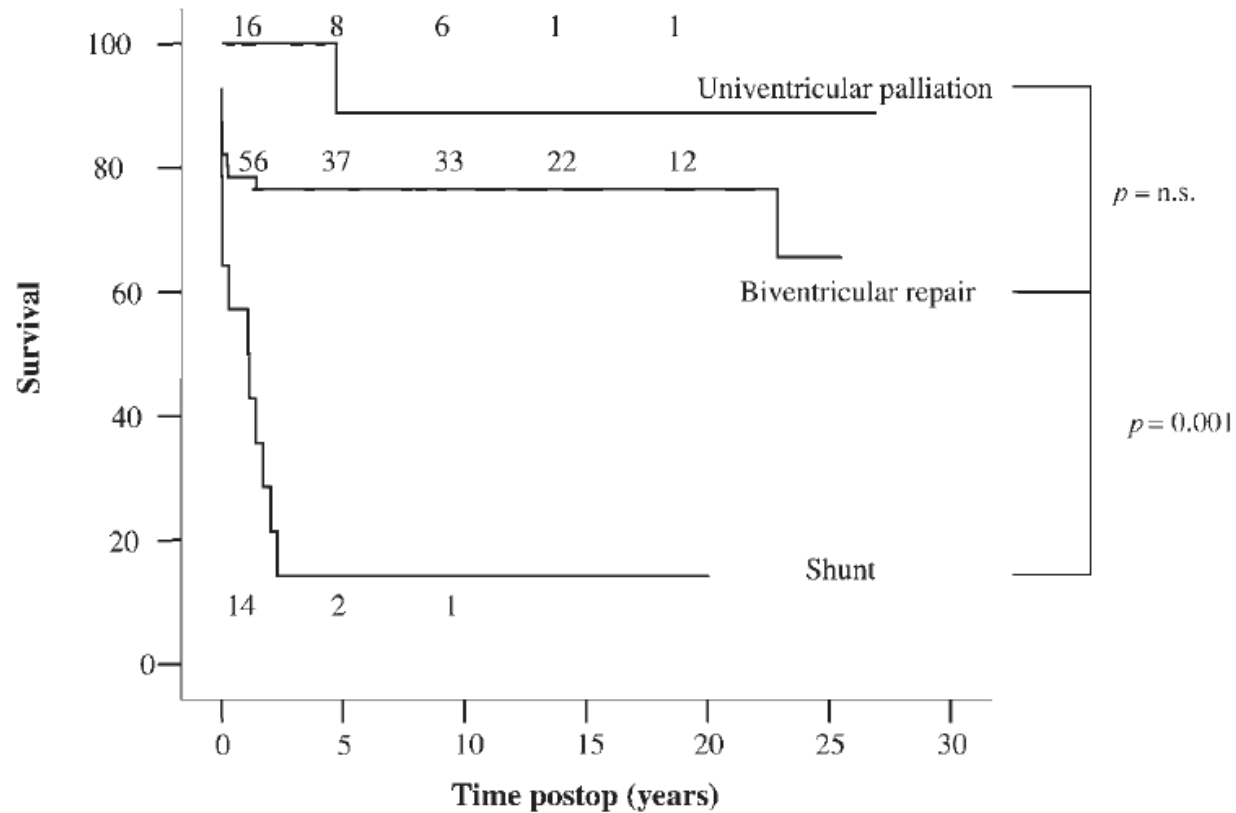
Types of surgical re-interventions in adulthood ( $\geq 18$  years).

Characteristics	Number of patients	Number of procedures	NYHA class I-II pts pre/pts post <sup>a</sup>	Average age, years
Univentricular, palliated (n = 5)			2/4	22 (19–24)
Patients with re-interventions, total	3/5	7 (total)		
Shunt revision, surgical	1	4		
Shunt dilation, transcatheter	2	2		
Coil embolization of collaterals	1	1		
Univentricular, Fontan (n = 7)			2/5	21 (17–32)
Patients with re-interventions, total	7/7	14 (total)		
Fontan conversion	4	4		
MAZE procedure	3	3		
Mitral valve repair/replacement	2	2		
Fontan fenestration, transcatheter	1	1		
Ascending aorta replacement	1	1		
Fontan revision	1	1		
Biventricular repair (n = 8)			3/6	27 (19–38)
Patients with re-interventions, total	7/8	31 (total)		
Tricuspid valve repair/replacement	6	7		
Pulmonary valve replacement	5	7		
RV to PA conduit replacement	1	1		
RVOT reconstruction/augmentation	6	7		
Pulmonary artery intervention, transcatheter	3	3		
Mitral valve repair/replacement	2	4		
MAZE procedure	2	2		

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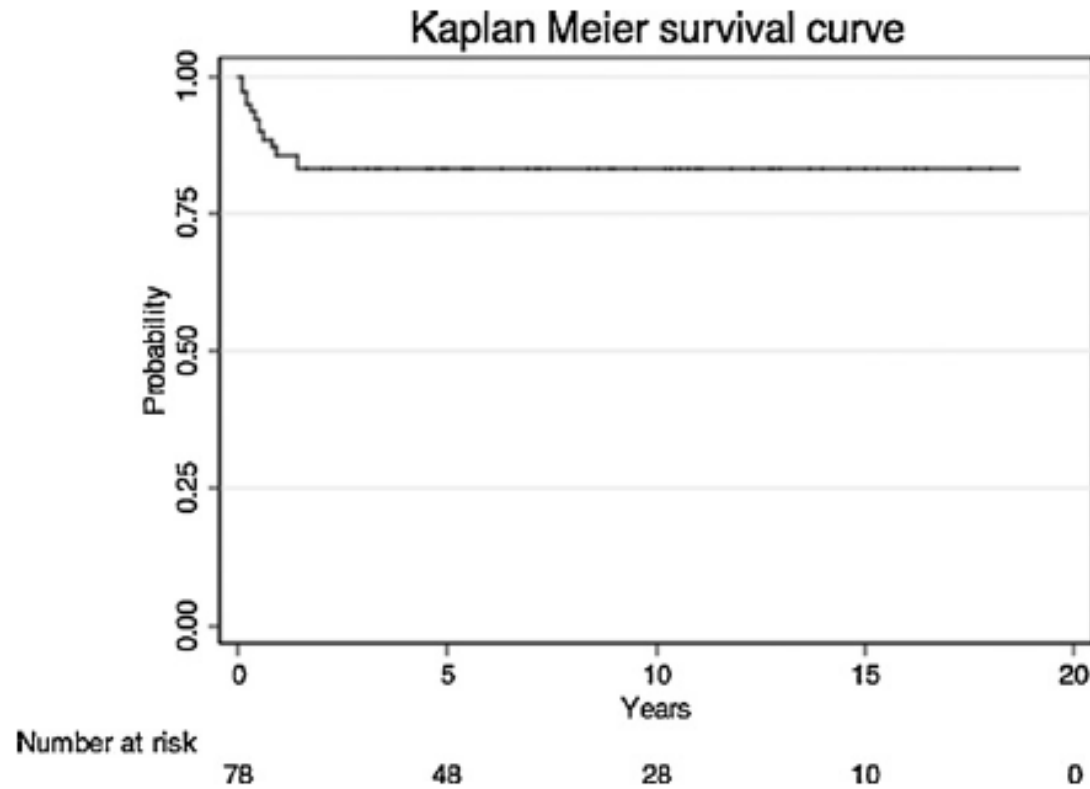
**Table 1** Surgical and morphological factors predicting biventricular repair in 48 patients.

Variable	Patients with biventricular repair (n = 48)	<i>p</i>
RV decompression	36	
Systemic-to-pulmonary artery shunt	2	
RV decompression + shunt	10	< 0.001
Right ventricular morphology		
Unipartite RV	0	
Bipartite RV	6	
Tripartite RV	42	< 0.001
TV z-score ≤ -6	13	
TV z-score > -6	35	< 0.001
TR 0-I	2	
TR II-III	46	< 0.001
Coronary fistulae		
▶ yes	7	
▶ no	41	< 0.001
Coronary stenoses	0	
No coronary stenoses	48	0.004
Right ventricular dependent coronary circulation	1	
No RV dependent coronary circulation	47	0.008



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Table 3. Outcomes based on right-ventricle size.

RV size	Outcome						
	Bi-V	1.5-V	Awaiting	Uni-V	HTx	Dead	Total (%)
Normal	10	1	0	0	0	0	11 (13.5%)
Moderate hypoplasia	19	8	3	9	0	6	45 (55.5%)
Severe hypoplasia	2	1	6	5	1	10	25 (31.0%)
Total	31	10	9	14	1	16	81 (100%)

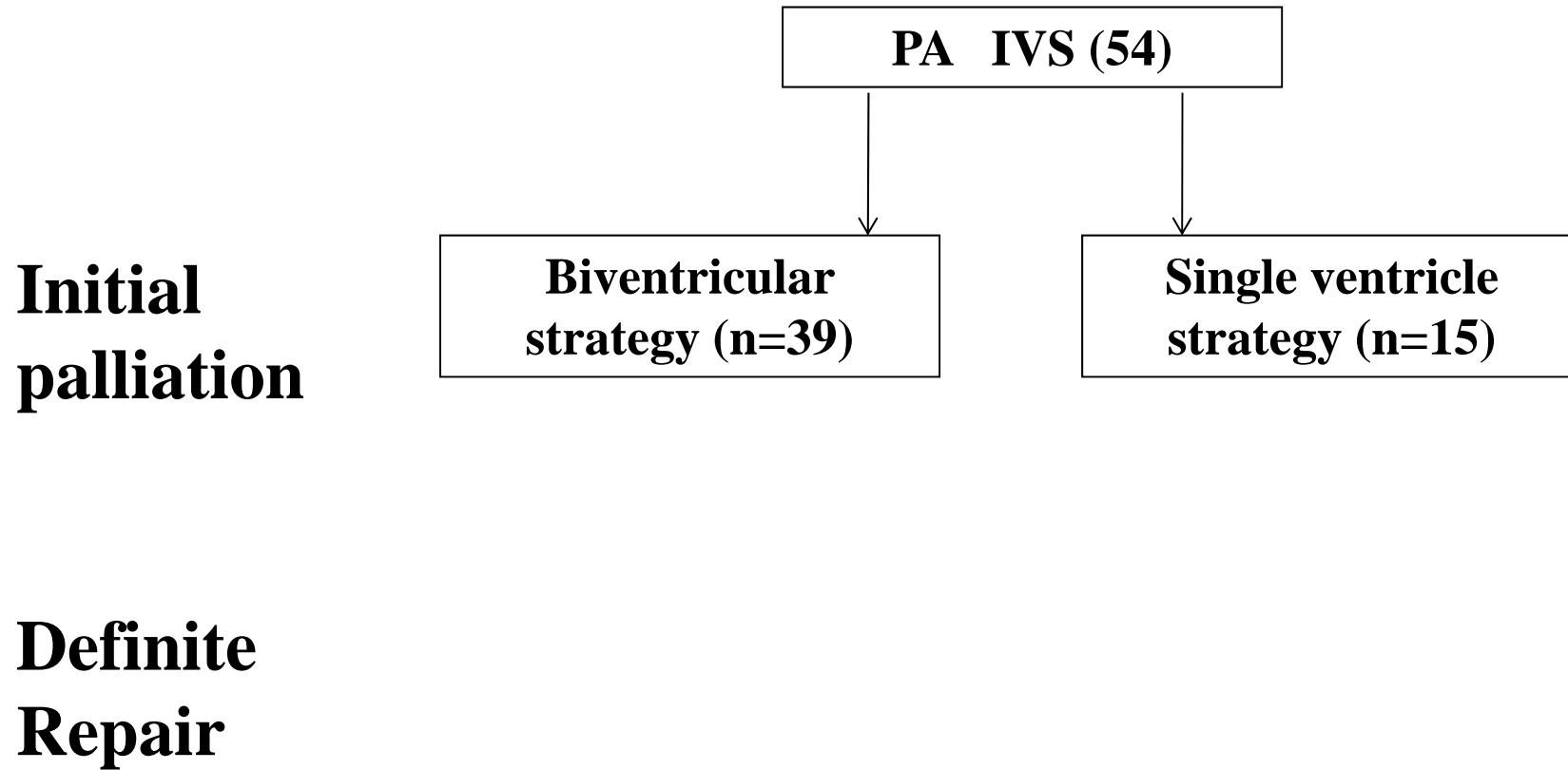
Bi-V: biventricular; 1.5-V: 1 1/2 ventricle; Uni-V: univentricular; and HTx: heart transplant.



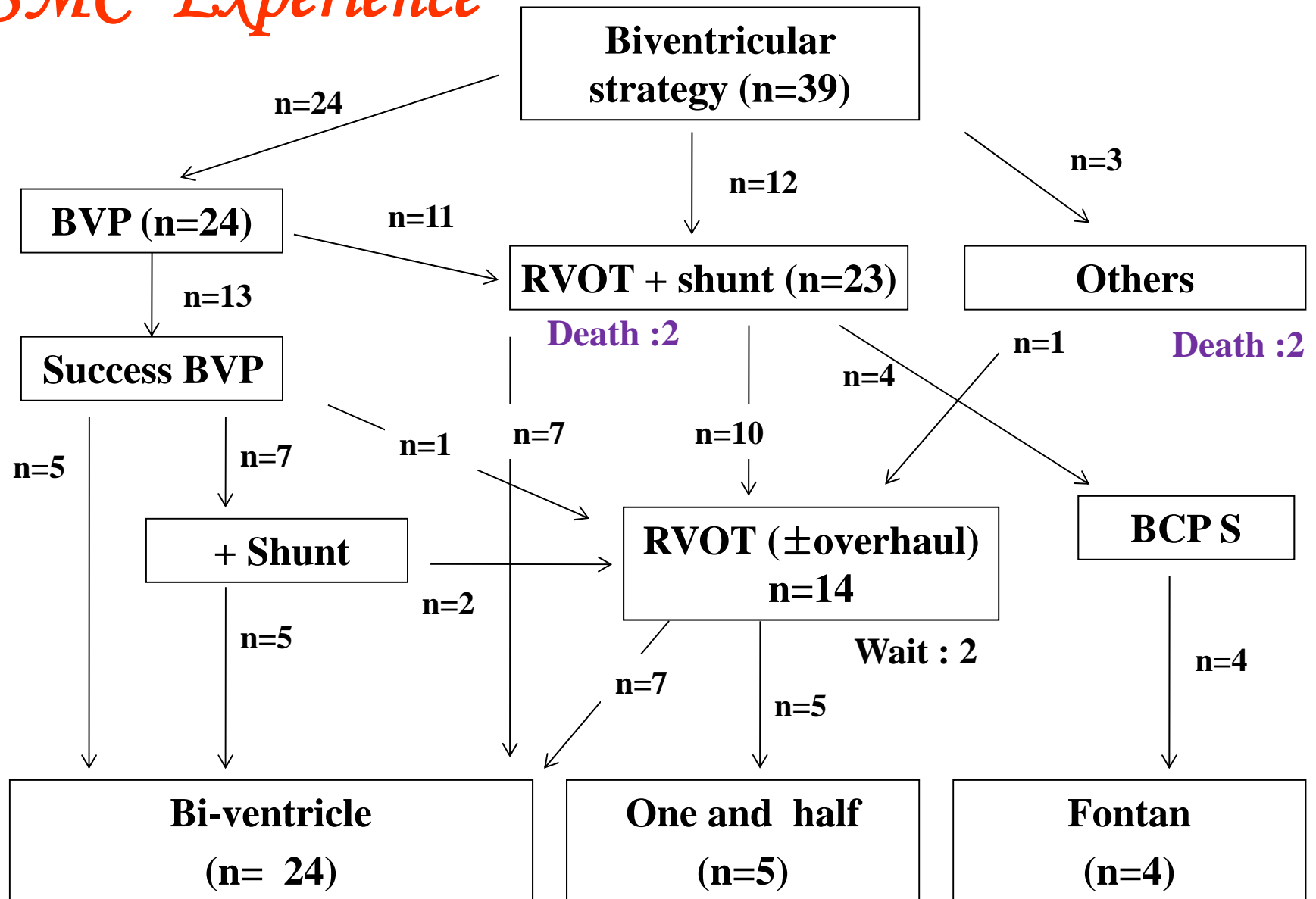
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- 1995 – 2009
- 54 patients
- PA IVS
- Exclusion : palliation procedure in other hospital

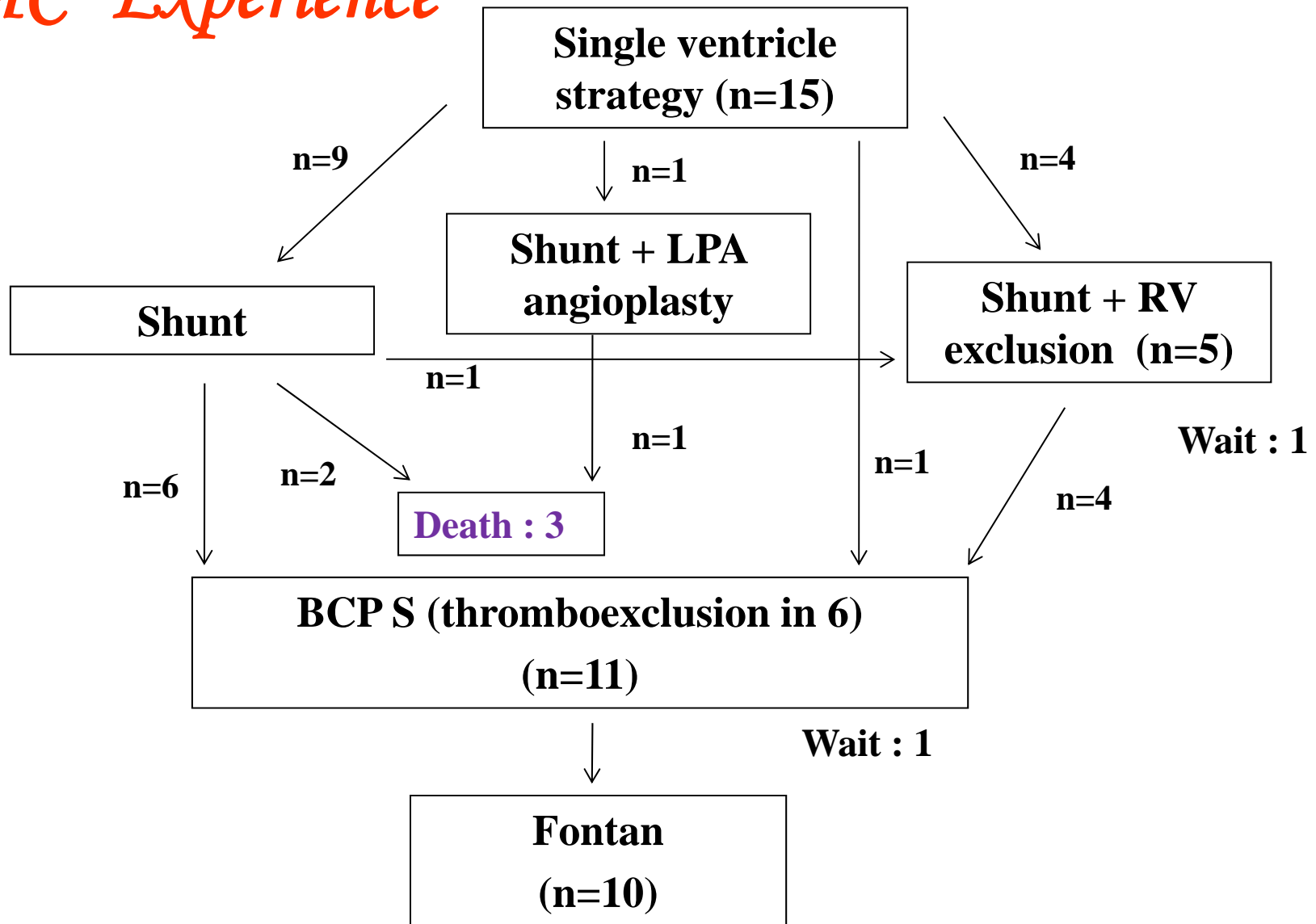
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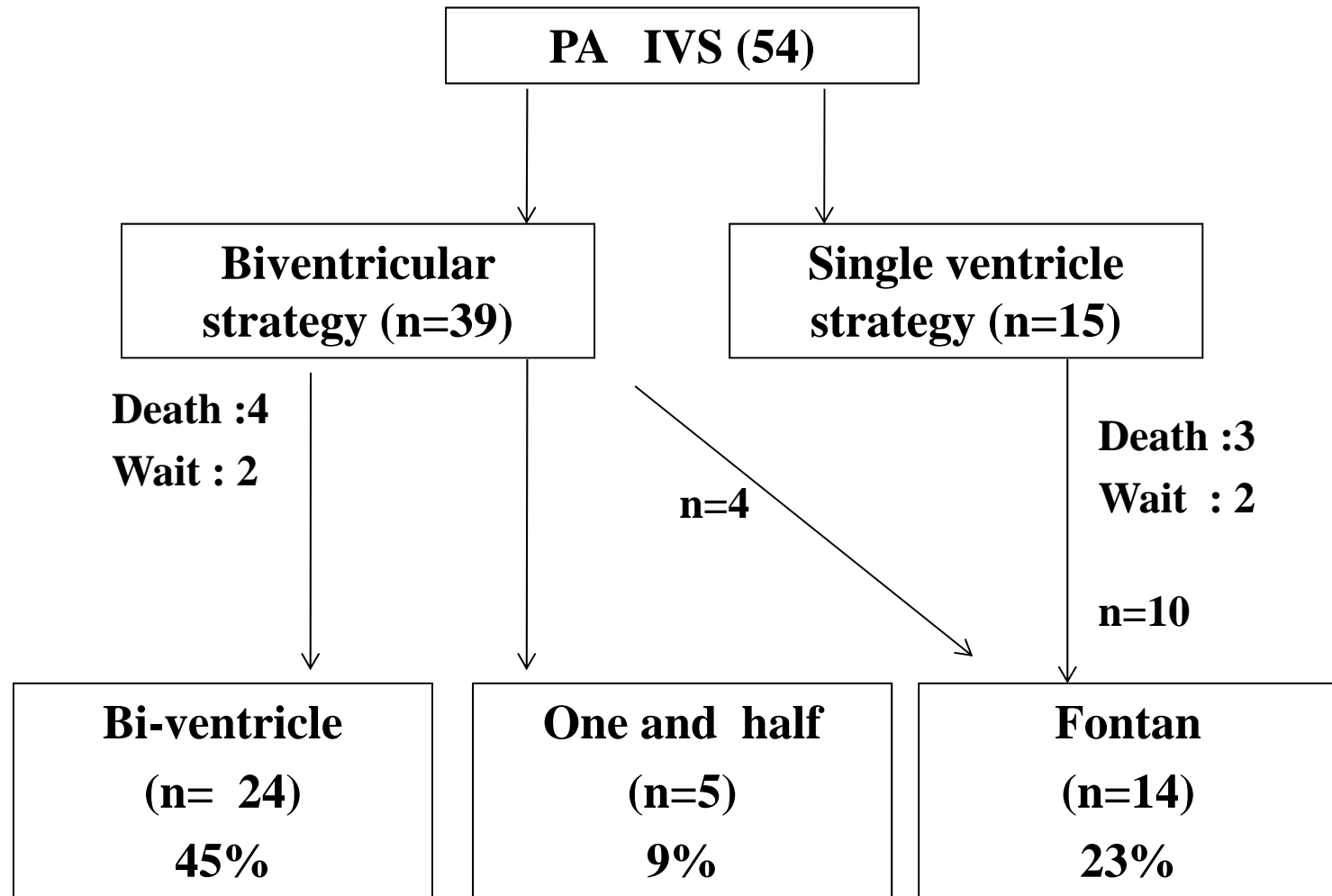
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**Initial  
palliation**

**Definite  
Repair**





## *SMC experiences*

- Reoperation after definite repair
  - PVR in 3
  - RV exclusion after Fontan in 1
- Last Echo of biventricular + one and half group ( 29)
  - PR > moderate in 14
  - TR > moderate in 19

## *Summary*

- Catheter based BVP can be a best option for initial palliation, however additional surgical procedure should be considered when it is needed.
- Early re-evaluation after the RV decompression and adequate additional palliative procedures are essential for the preparation for the definite repair
- When the TV size( valve orifice) is too small, it seems that decompression of RV can not guarantee biventricular repair.

## *Summary*

- Angiographic evaluation may be essential to find the RV-coronary fistula (or RVDCC) even in the single ventricle group.
- We cannot insist which protocol is superior to other strategies especially in the point of long term results.
- Every procedure should be considered precisely in the aspect of reducing repeated re-operations and interventions after definite repairs.

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