

β -Adrenergic Signaling in Heart Failure

β -Adrenergic Blockers in HF

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Effect of chronic beta-adrenergic receptor blockade in congestive cardiomyopathy

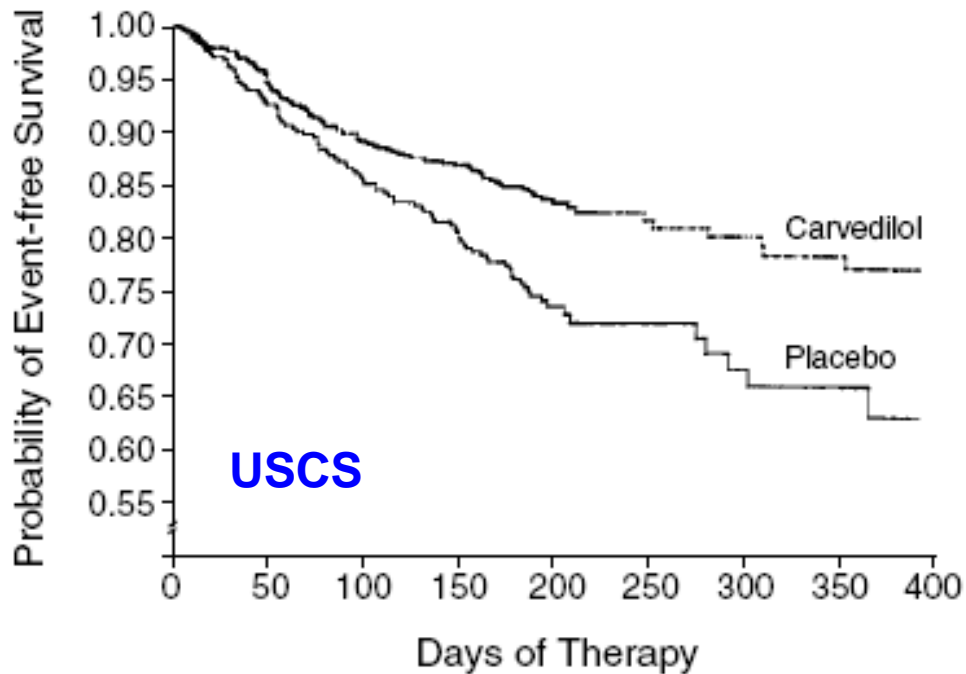
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Adrenergic beta-blocking agents were given to 7 patients with advanced congestive cardiomyopathy who had tachycardia at rest (98 ± 13 beats/min). The patients were on beta-adrenergic receptor blockade for 2 to 12 months (average 5.4 months). One patient was given alprenolol 50 mg twice daily and the other patients were given practolol 50 to 400 mg twice daily. Virus infection had occurred in 6 of the patients before the onset of symptoms of cardiac disease. All patients were in a steady state or were progressively deteriorating at the start of beta-adrenergic receptor blockade. Conventional treatment with digitalis and diuretics was unaltered or reduced during treatment with beta-blocking agents. An improvement was seen in their clinical condition shortly after administration of the drugs. Continued treatment resulted in an increase in physical working capacity and a reduction of heart size.

Noninvasive investigations including phonocardiogram, carotid pulse curve, apex cardiogram, and echocardiogram showed improved ventricular function in all cases. The present study indicates that adrenergic beta-blocking agents can improve heart function in at least some patients with congestive cardiomyopathy. Furthermore, it is suggested that increased catecholamine activity may be an important factor for the development of this disease, as has been shown in animal experiments.

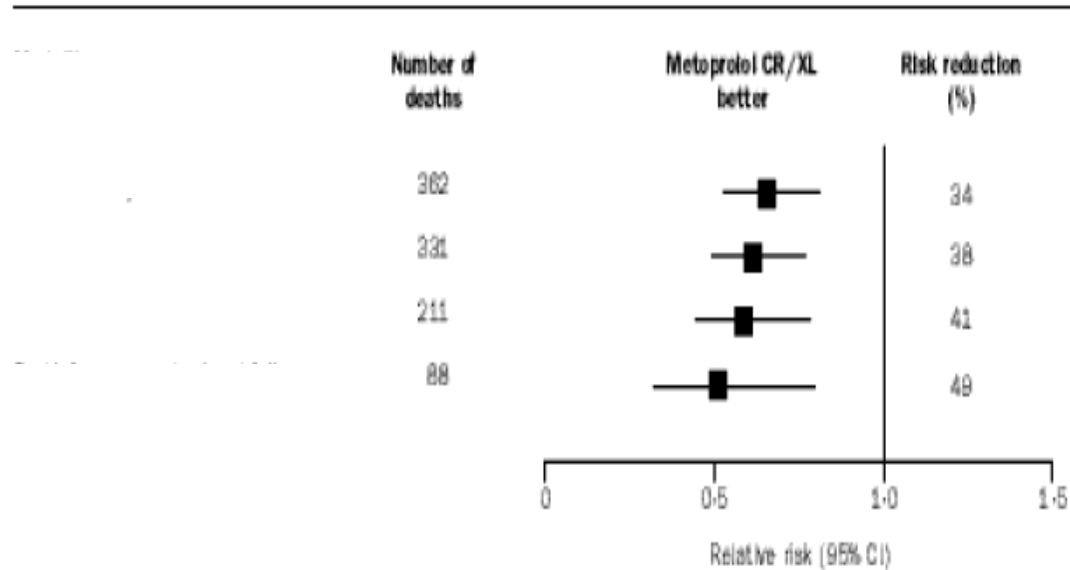
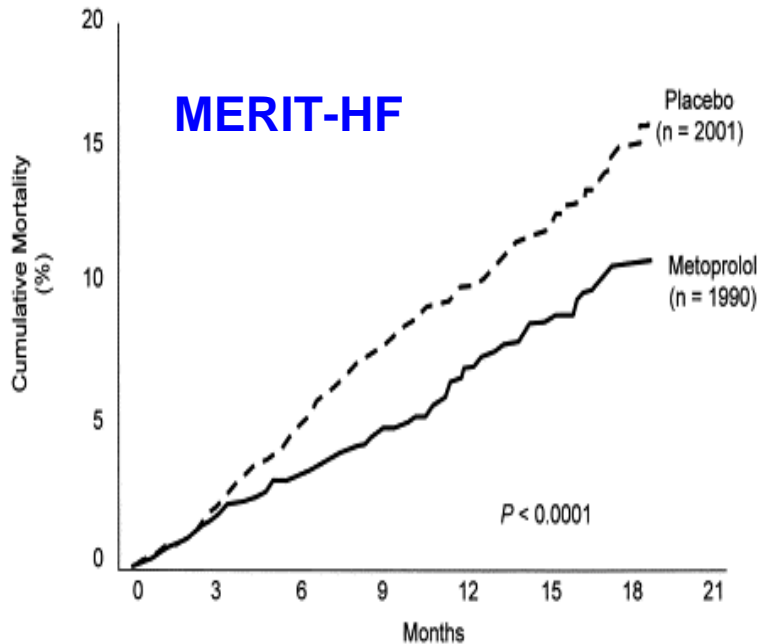
Carvedilol



<i>Paitents</i>	<i>Sample</i>	<i>Beta-blocker</i>	<i>Dosage</i>	65% risk reduction in mortality Reduction in sudden death, hospitalization
Chronic HF, EF<35%	1094	Carvedilol	45mg/d	

Metoprolol

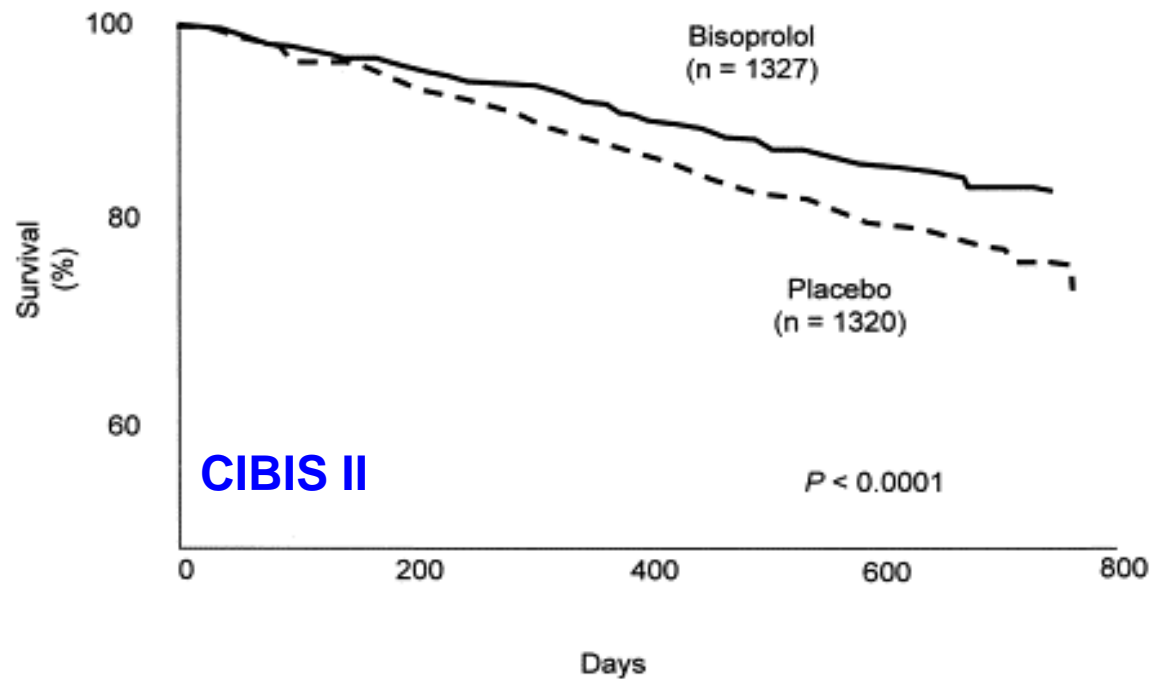
MERIT-HF



Paitents	Sampl	Beta-blocker	Dosage
DCMP, EF<40% NYHA FC II-III	3991	Metoprolol CR/XL	159mg/d

34% risk reduction of mortality
Reduction in sudden death,
hospitalization

Bisoprolol



<i>Patients</i>	<i>Sample</i>	<i>Beta-blocker</i>	<i>Dosage</i>
DCMP, EF<35% NYHA FC III	2647	Bisoprolol	7.5mg/d

34% risk reduction in mortality
Reduction in sudden death, hospitalization

β -Adrenergic Blockers

Clinical trials in HF

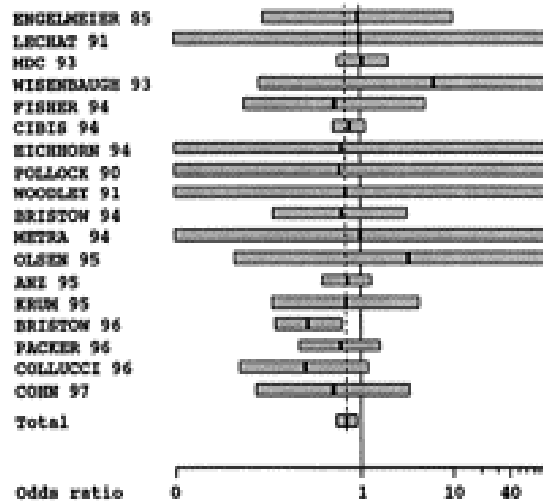
	<u>DRUG</u>	<u>NYHA</u>	<u>EFFECT</u>	<u>starting dose</u>	<u>target dose</u>
MDC	Metoprolol	-	-	5 bid	50 bid
MERIT-HF	Metoprolol	II-IV	35%	12.5-25	200
BEST	Bucindolol	III-IV	10%	3	100-200
CIBIS-II	Bisoprolol	III-IV	33%	1.25	10
Carvedilol US	Carvedilol	II-III	66%	6.25 bid	25-50 bid
MOCHA	Carvedilol	-	-	-	-
COPERNICUS	Carvedilol	IV	35%	3.125 bid	25 bid
COMET	Carvedilol	II-IV		3.125 bid	25 bid

β-Adrenergic Blockers

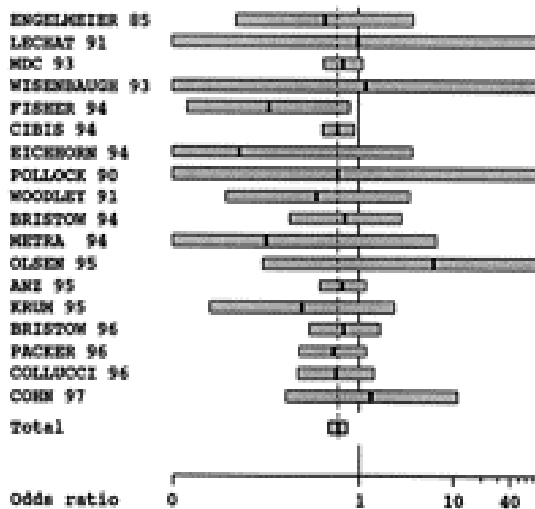
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Reduction of Risk

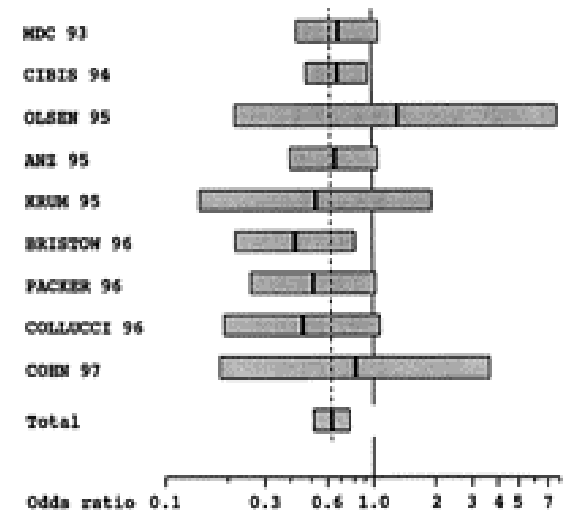
Mortality: 36%



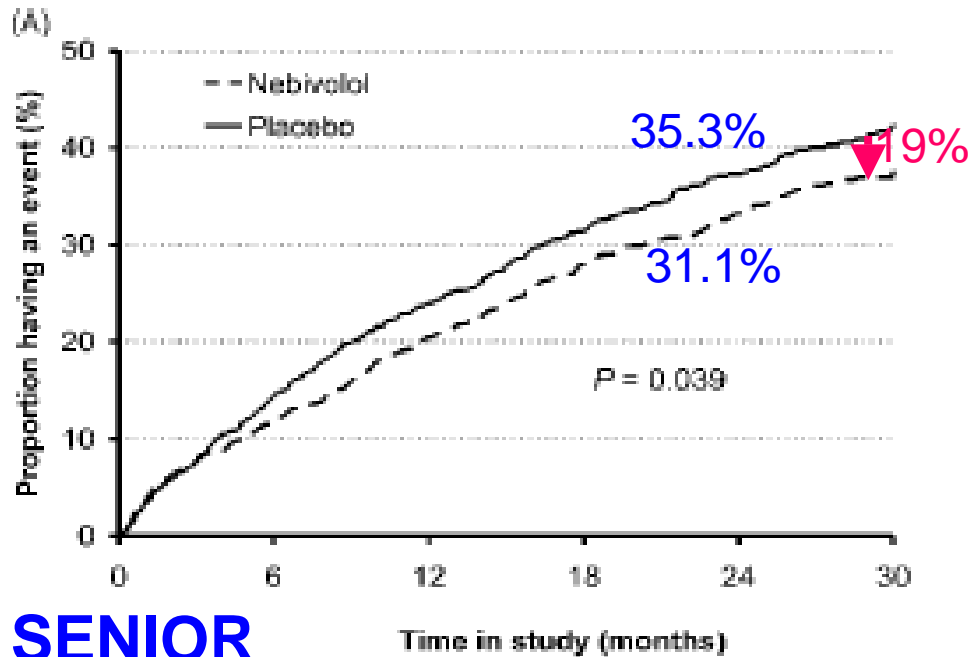
Hospitalization: 41%



Overall: 37%



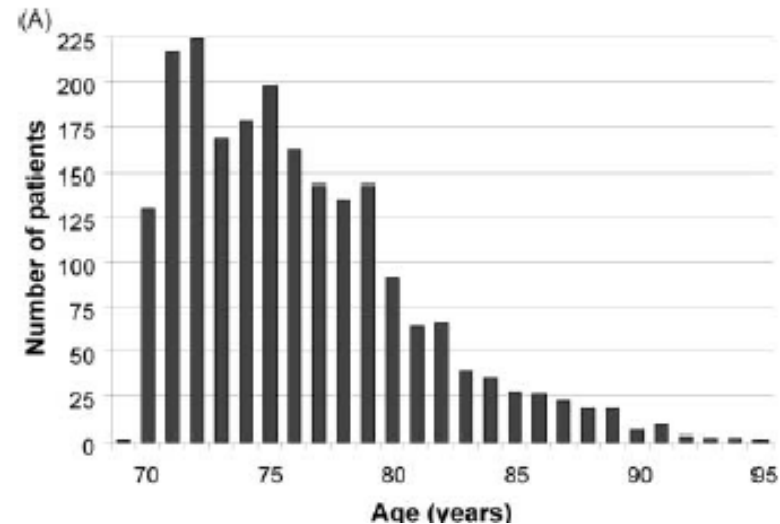
Nebivolol



SENIOR

Number at risk

	0	6	12	18	24	30
Nebivolol	1067	933	757	517	318	185
Placebo	1061	900	721	487	303	182



Paitents	Sample	Beta-blocker	Dosage
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Age>70, EF<35% or H	2128	Nebivolol	7.7mg/d
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19% risk reduction in primary end point

ACC/AHA PRACTICE GUIDELINES—FULL TEXT

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Task Force on Practice Guidelines (Committee to Revise the 1995 Guidelines
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ESC Guidelines

Guidelines for the diagnosis and treatment of Chronic Heart Failure: full text (update 2005)

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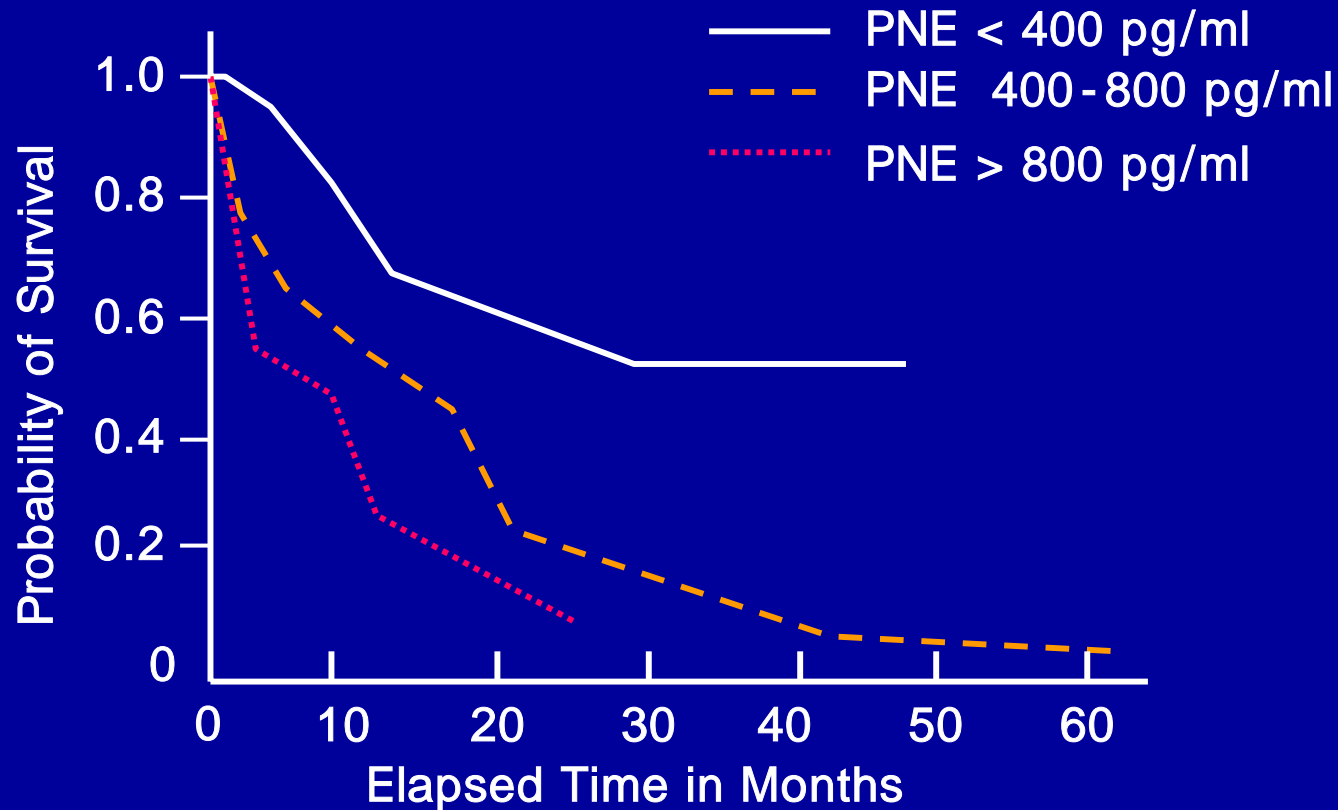
Recommended β -Blockers in HF

1. **Bisoprolol**
2. **Metoprolol succinate CR**
3. **Carvedilol**
4. **Nebivolol**

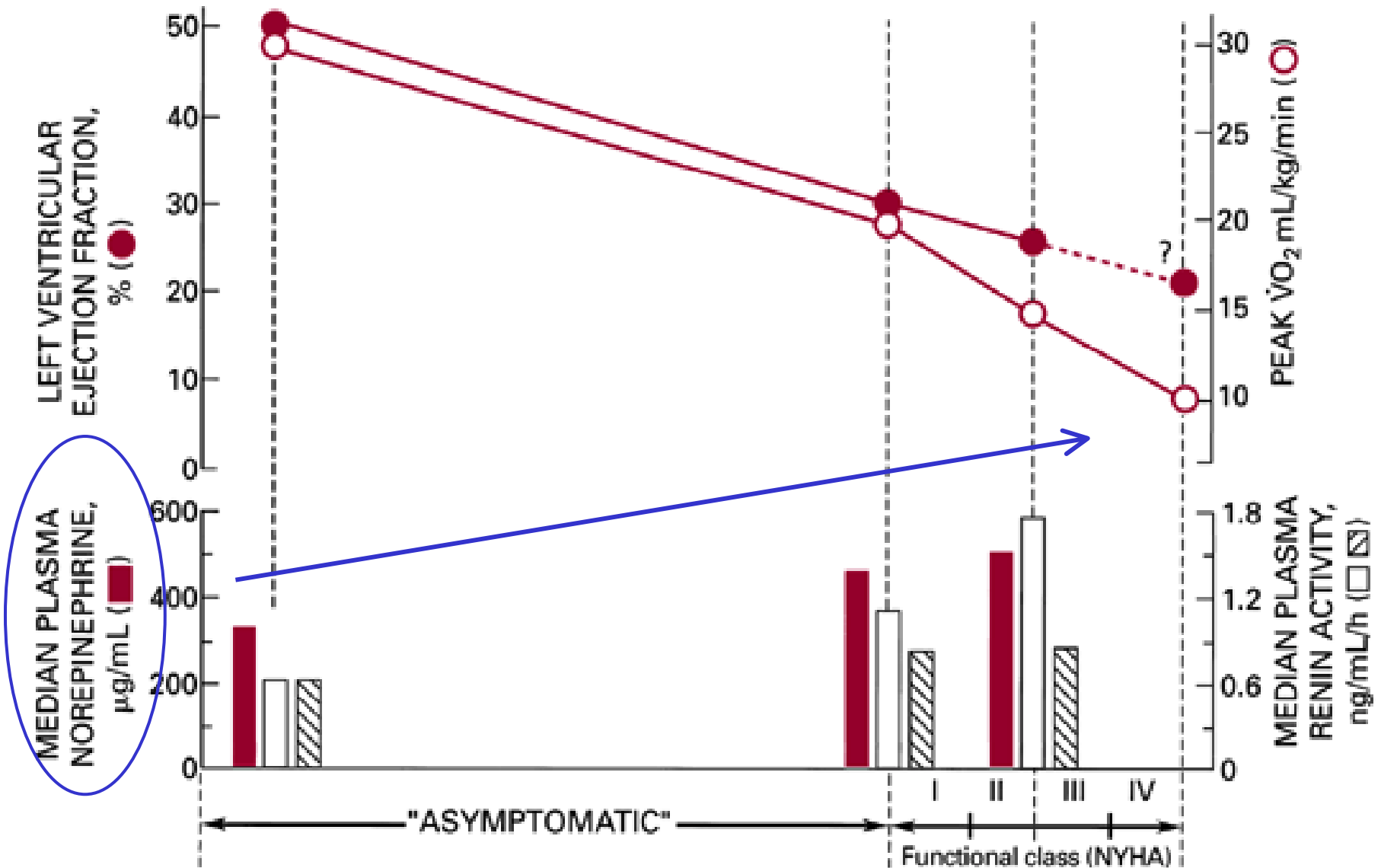
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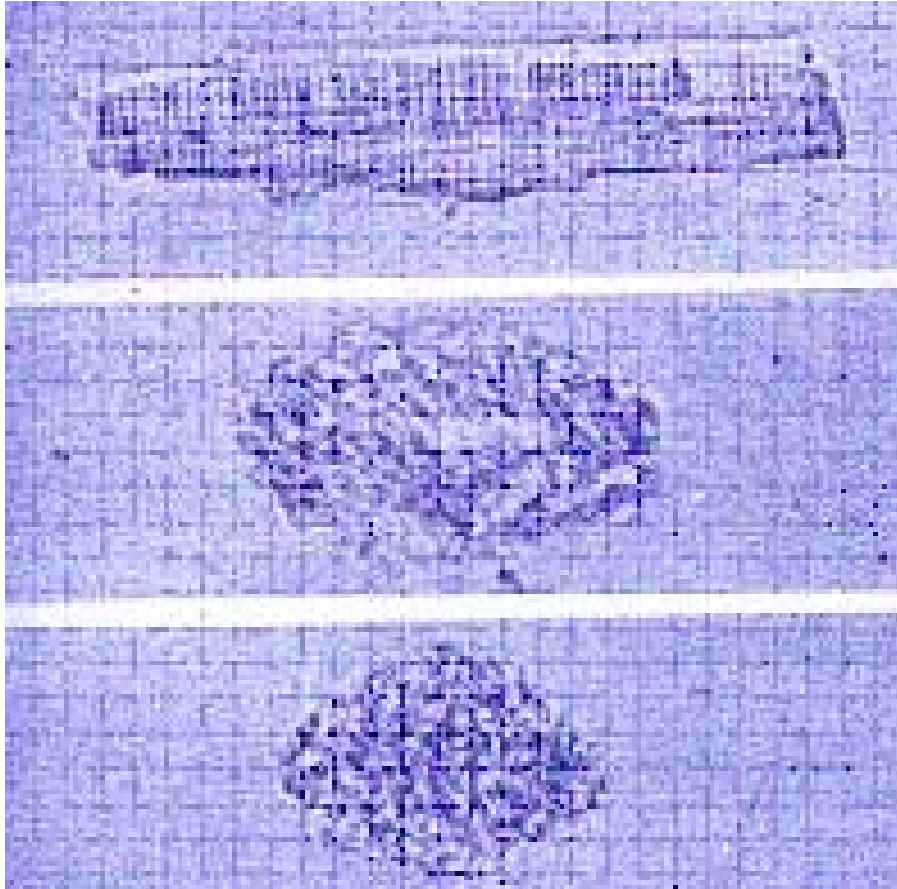
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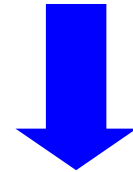
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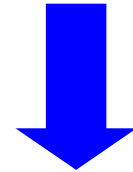
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Add NE into myocyte

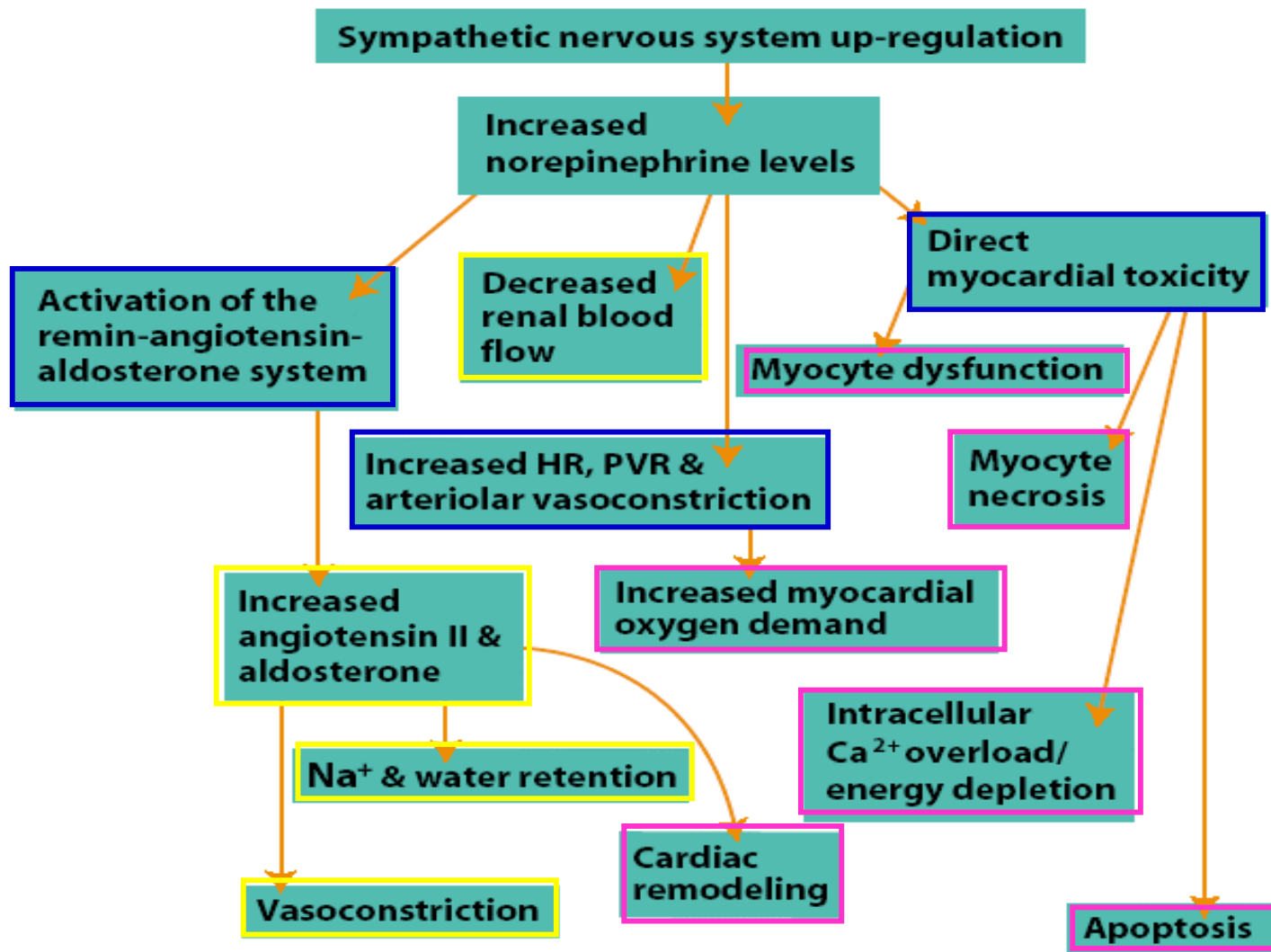


Apoptosis $\Leftarrow \beta 1$
Direct toxicity $\Leftarrow \beta 1, (\beta 2)$

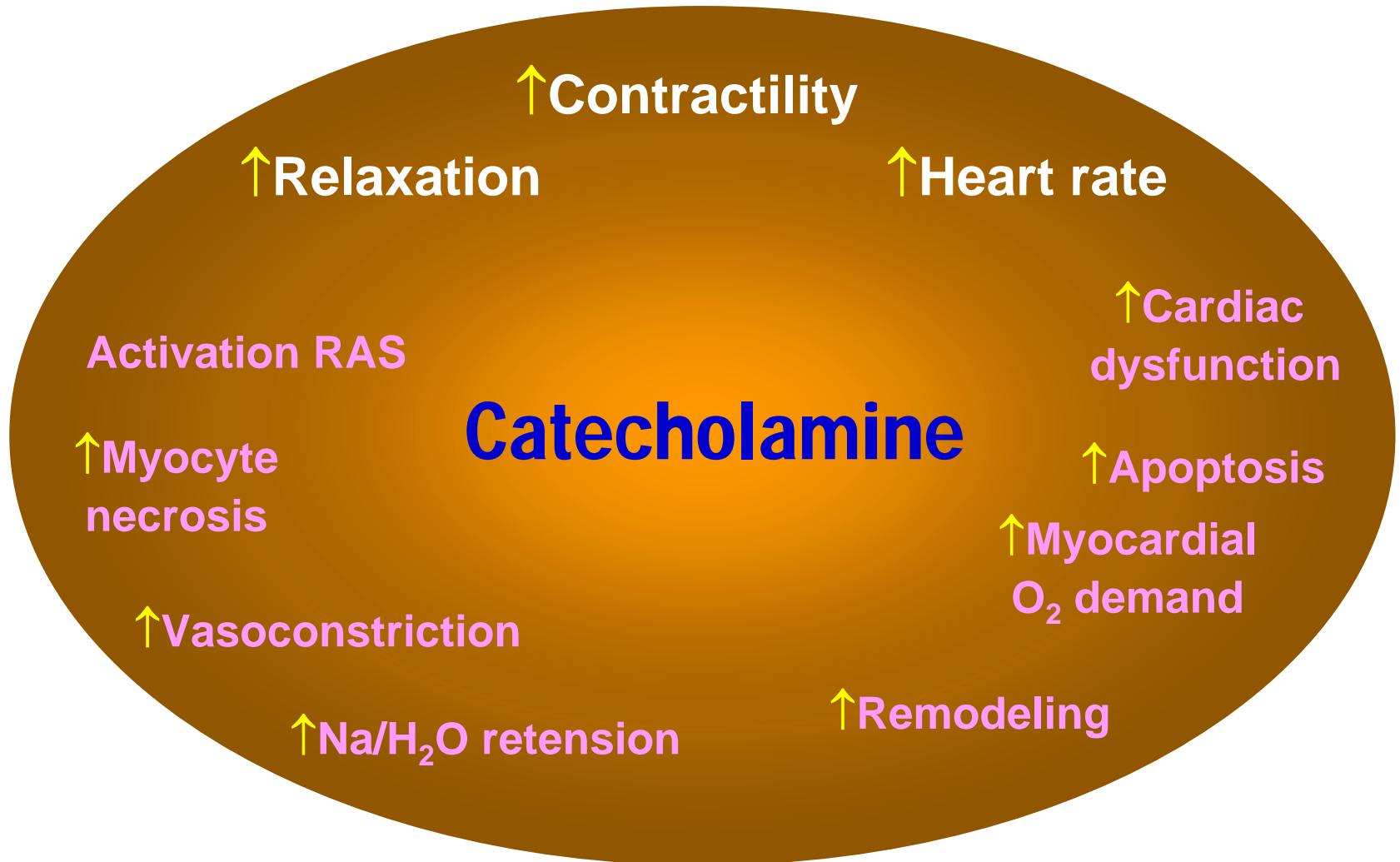


Cell Death

Sympathoadrenal system in HF



Pathophysiologic Effects of β - Agonist



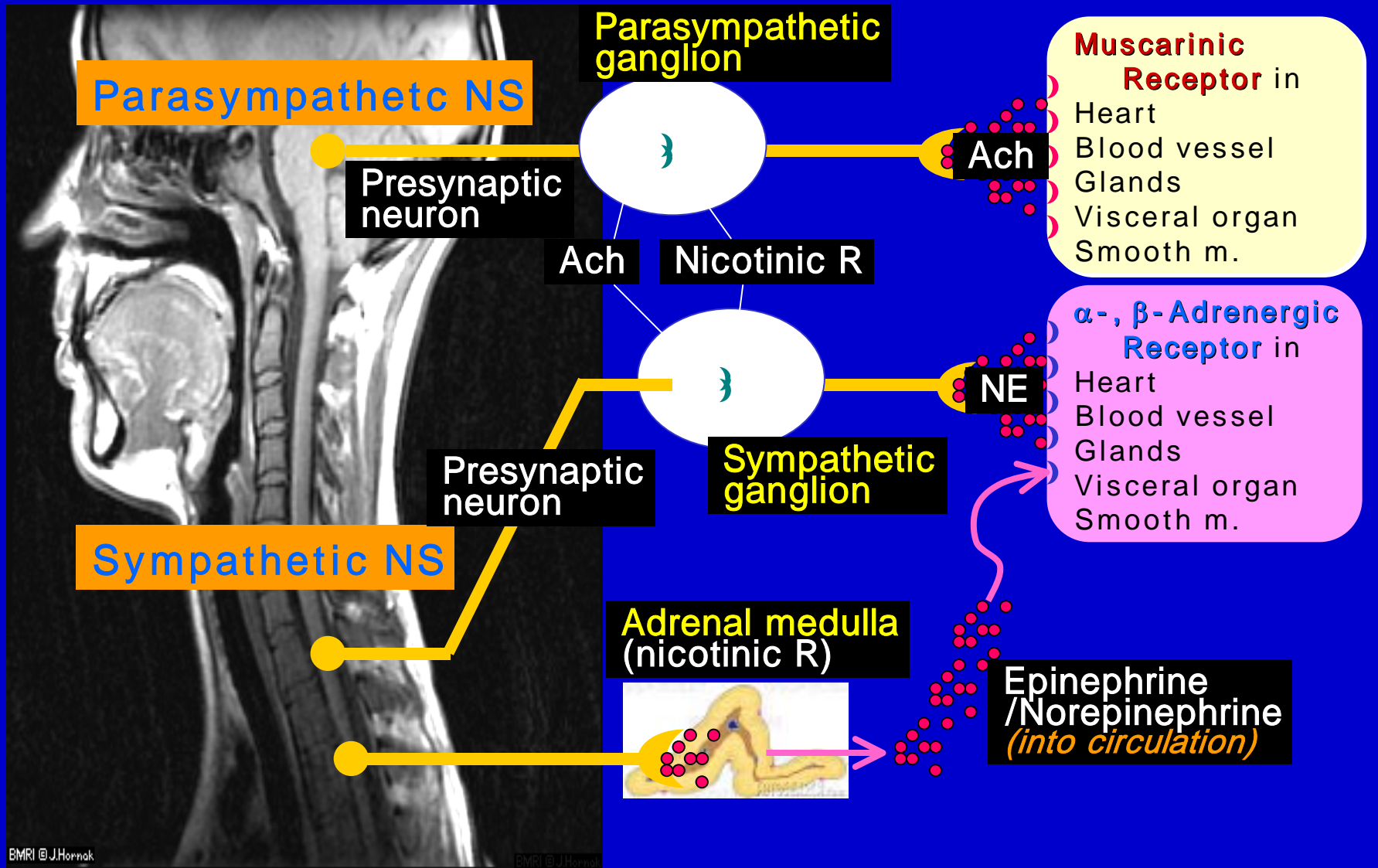
Mechanisms of β -blockers in HF

- Improve systolic function
 - Improve energetics
 - Reverse the remodeling
- by
1. \downarrow Heart rate \rightarrow \downarrow Oxygen consumption
 2. \downarrow Systolic and diastolic wall stress
 3. Shift utilization of FFA to glucose
 4. Anti-arrhythmogenic
 5. Changed in gene expression

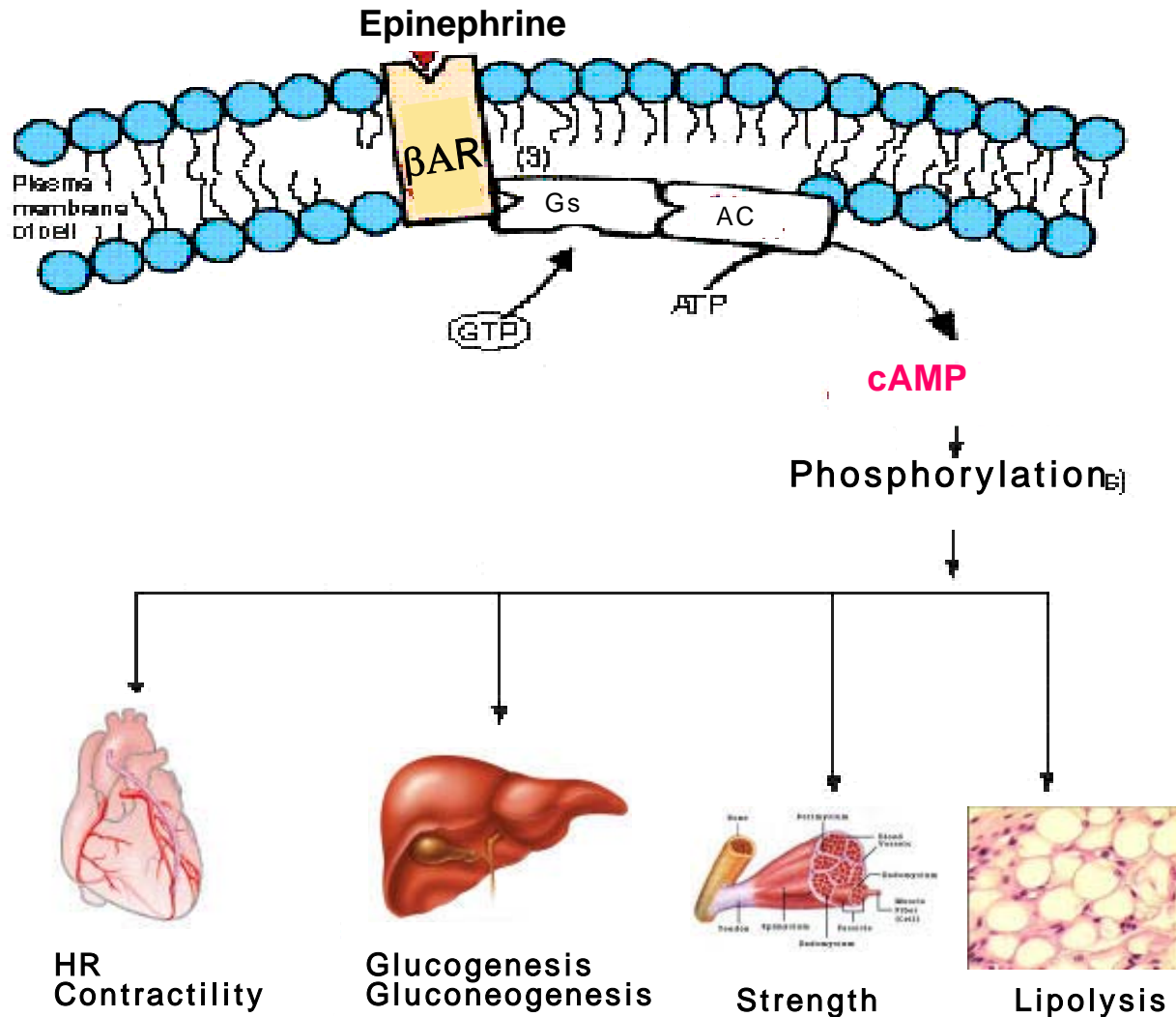
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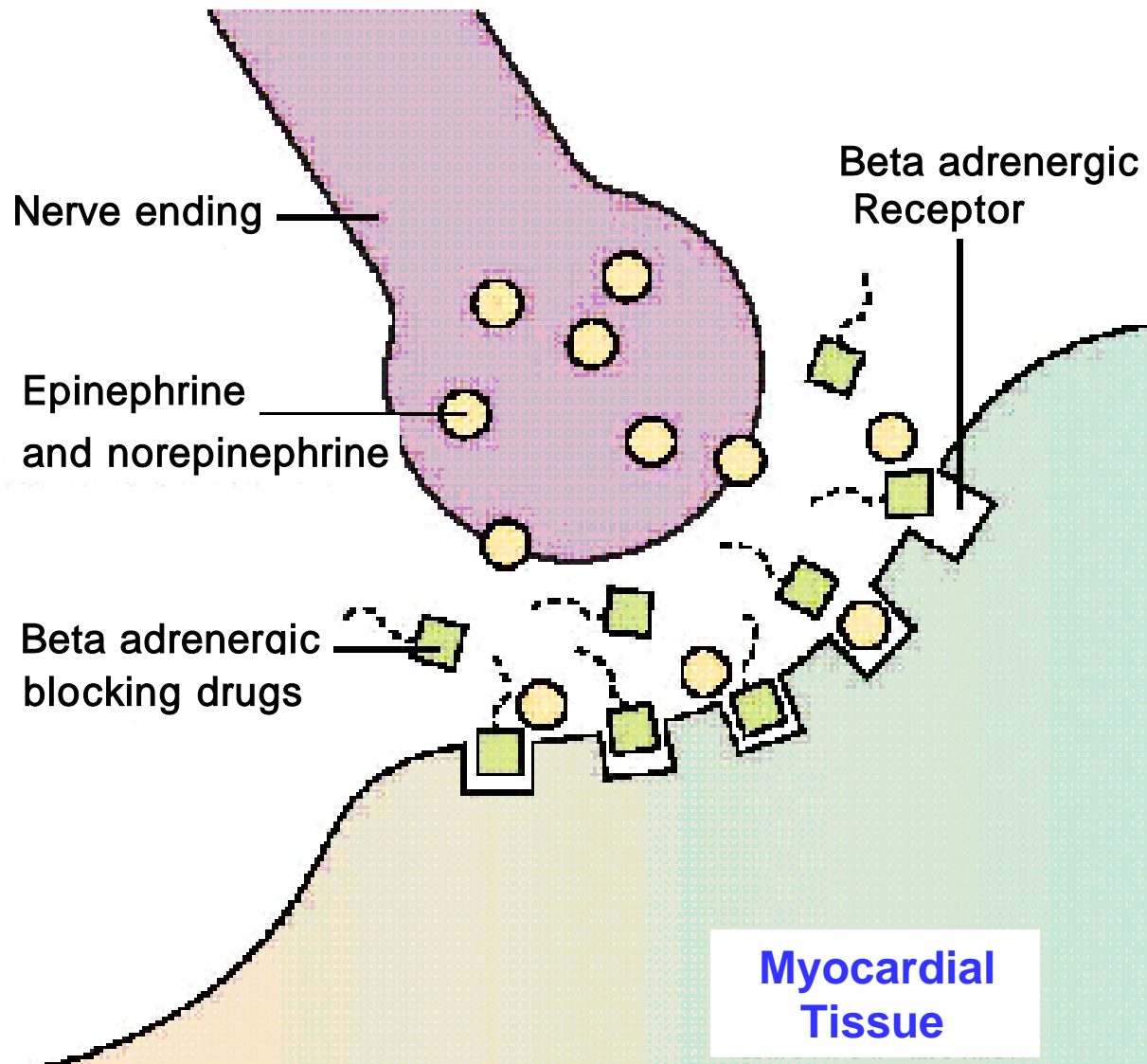
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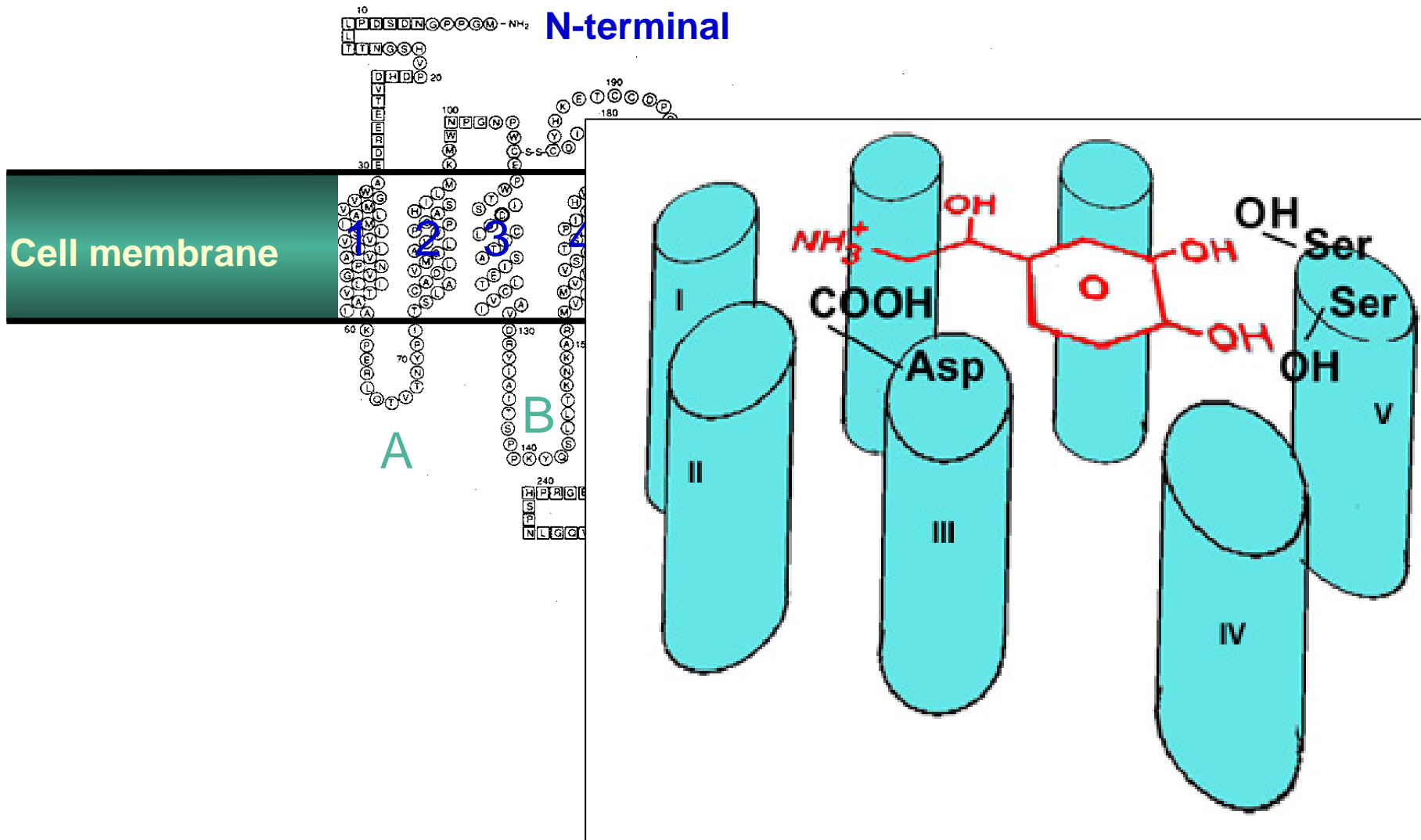
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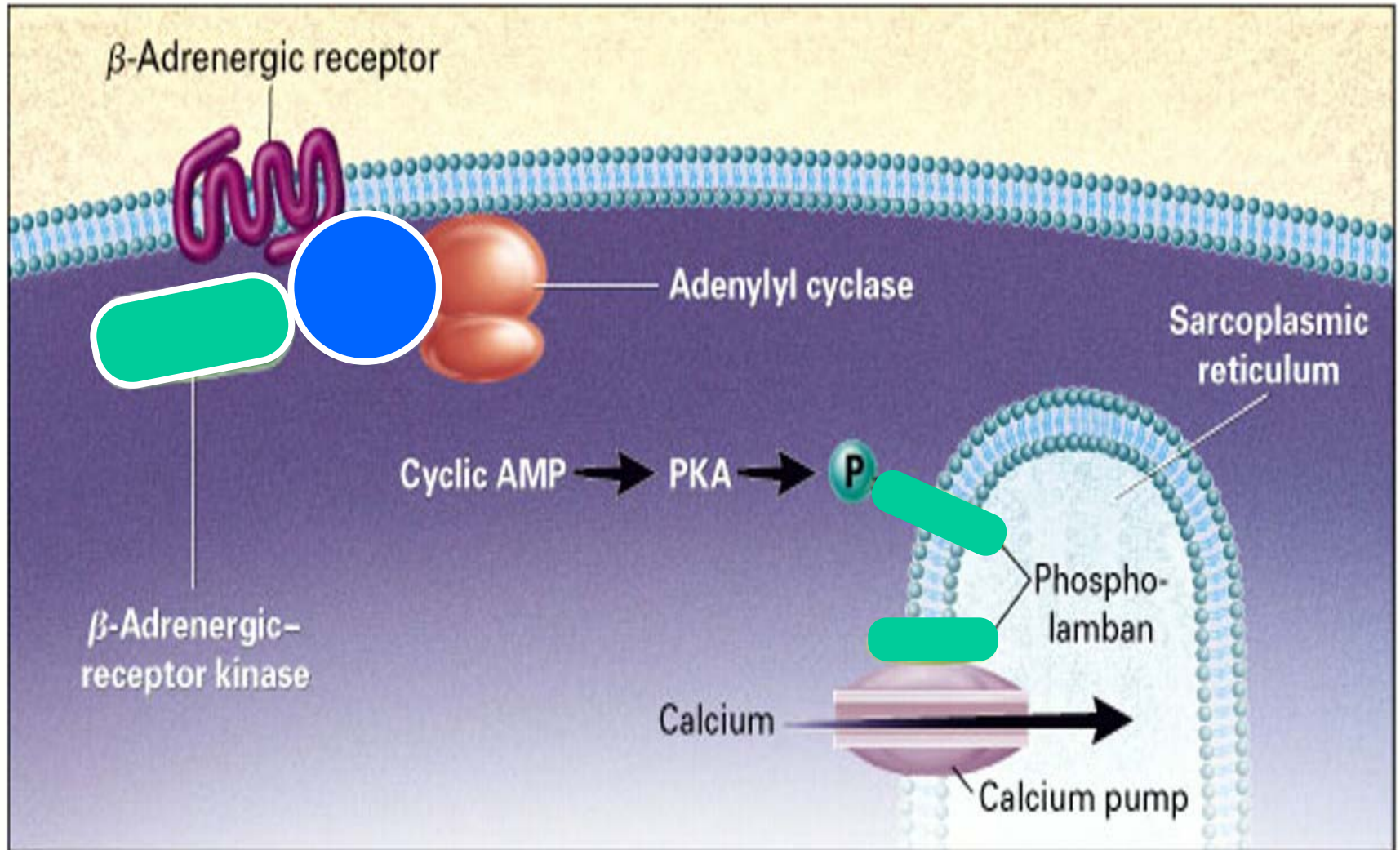
β -Adrenergic Receptor



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β -Adrenergic Receptor Signal



Which β -blocker is better?

Which subtype, β_1 or β_2 ?

Inverse agonism ?

β_1 -Adrenoceptor

β_{1H} -Adrenoceptor

β_{1L} -Adrenoceptor

Polymorphisms

- Ser49Gly
- Gly389Arg

Agonists

- Noradrenaline
- Adrenaline

Antagonists

- Carvedilol
- Metoprolol
- Bisoprolol

Antagonists

- Carvedilol
- (Bupranolol)

β_2 -Adrenoceptor

Polymorphisms

- Arg16Gly
- Gln27Glu
- Thr164Ile

Agonists

- Adrenaline
- Noradrenaline

Antagonists

- Carvedilol
- (ICI118551)

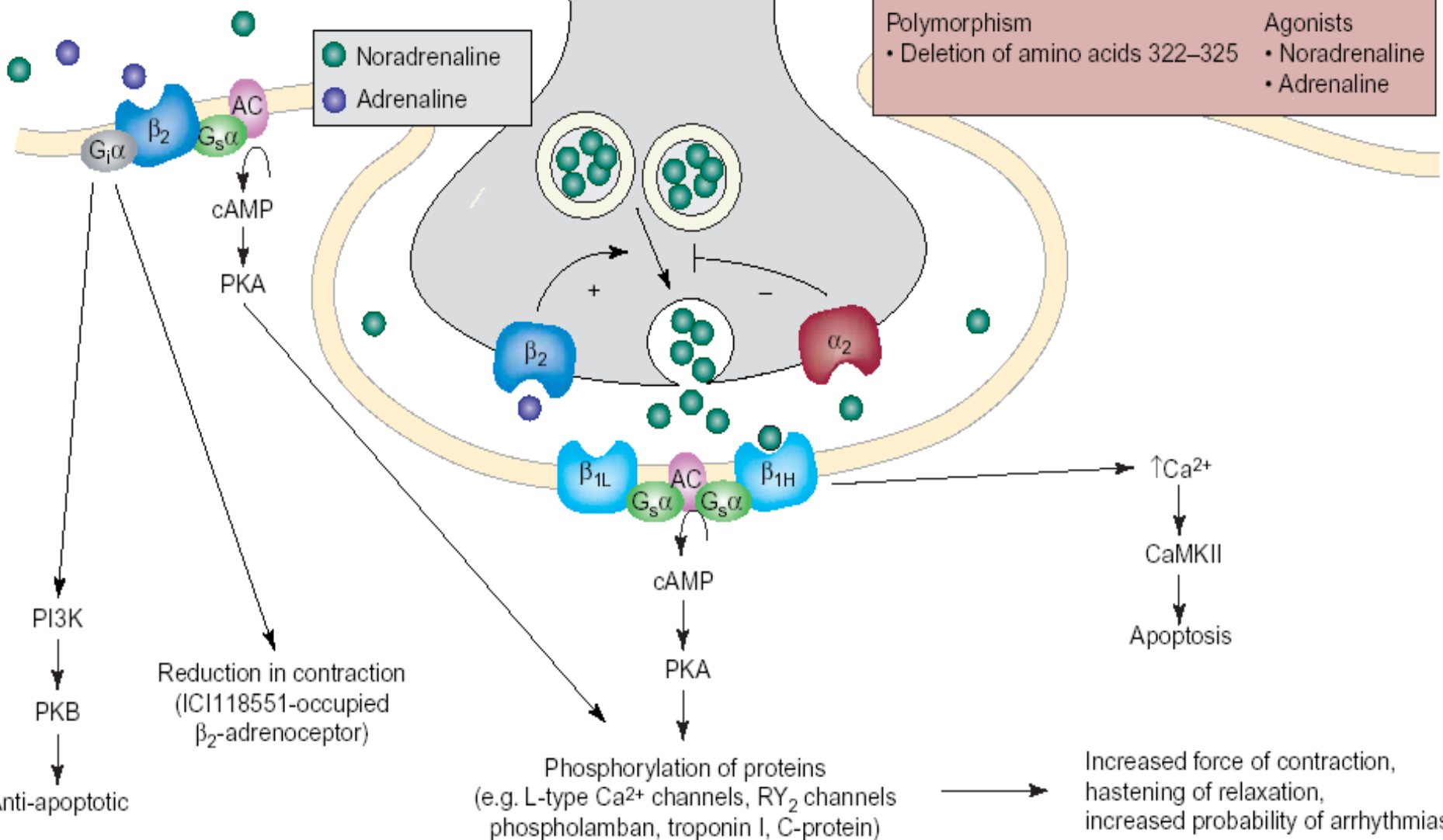
α_{2c} -Adrenoceptor

Polymorphism

- Deletion of amino acids 322–325

Agonists

- Noradrenaline
- Adrenaline



β -Adrenergic Receptor Blocker

	<u>GENERATION/CLASS</u>	<u>K(β1)</u>	<u>β1/β2</u>	<u>β1 /α1</u>
Propranolol	1 st /nonselective	4.1	2.1	-
Metoprolol	2 nd / β 1-selective	45	74	-
Bisoprolol	2 nd / β 1-selective	121	119	-
Carvedilol	3 rd / β -vasodilator	4	7.3	2.4
Nebivolol	3 rd / β -vasodilator	5.8	1700	66
Bucindolol	3 rd / β -vasodilator	3.6	1.4	-

β 1-Adrenergic Receptor Subtype

- β 1 subtype: Myocardial contractility
- β 2 subtype: Vascular SMC relaxation
- In human heart: both of β 1- and β 2-AR
(ratio of β 1: β 2 = **70:30**)
- β 3 subtype: mainly expressed in **adipose tissue**, some in cardiac myocyte)

β -Adrenergic Receptor Subtype

Toxic effect on myocardium

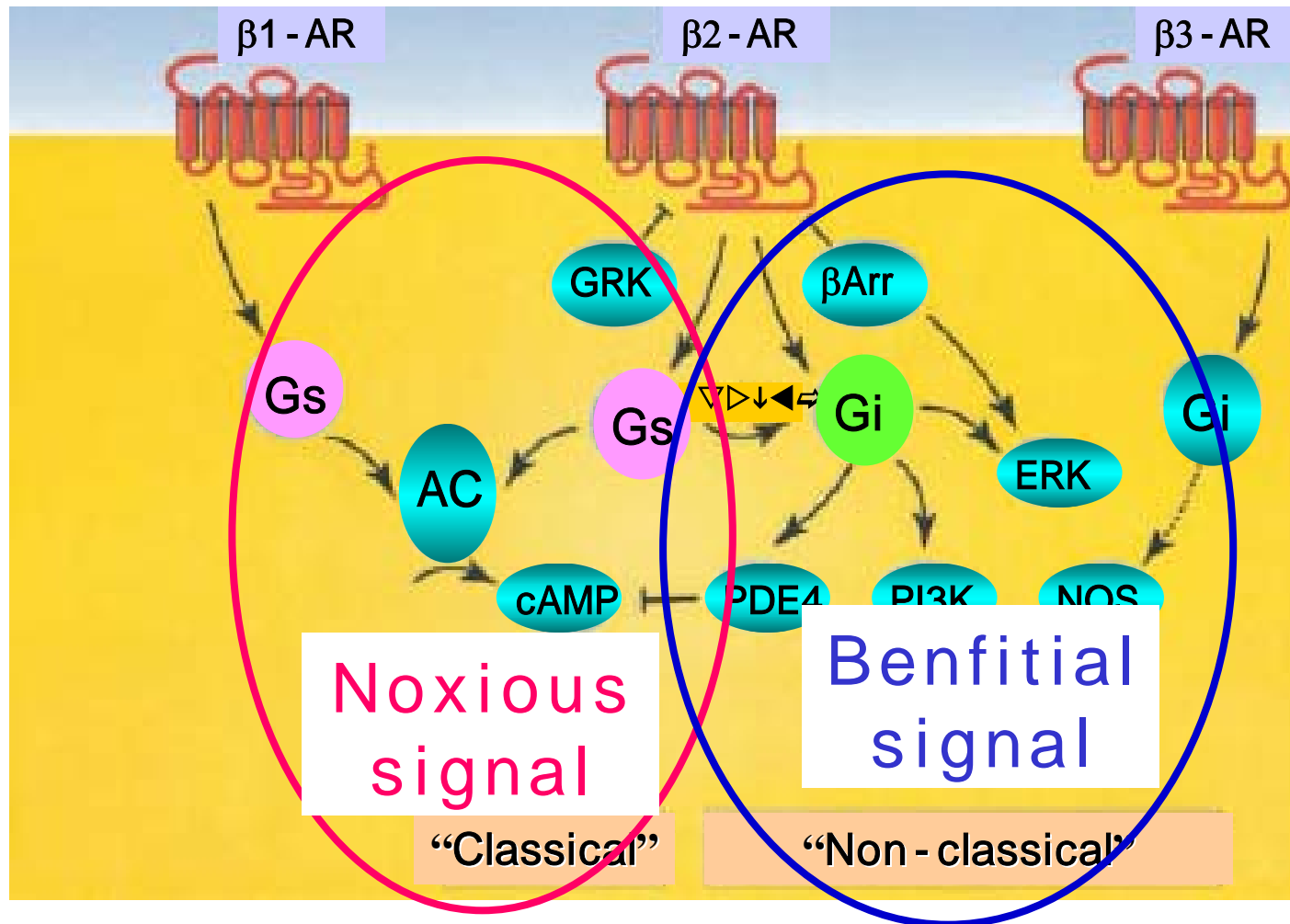
- **In Heart Failure**

- β 1 receptor number: decreased
- β 2 receptor number: NOT changed

- **In animal study**

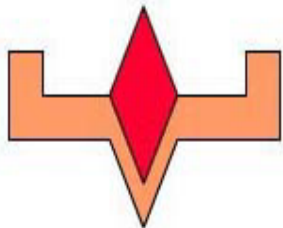
- β 1 receptor over-expressed animal
 - develop HF
- β 2 receptor over-expressed animal
 - enhanced contractility

Subtype - $\beta 1$ vs $\beta 2$



Inverse agonism

Full Agonist

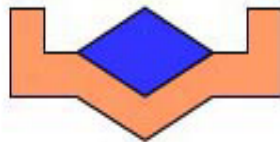


Large stimulus to cellular signaling machinery



LARGE EFFECT

Partial Agonist

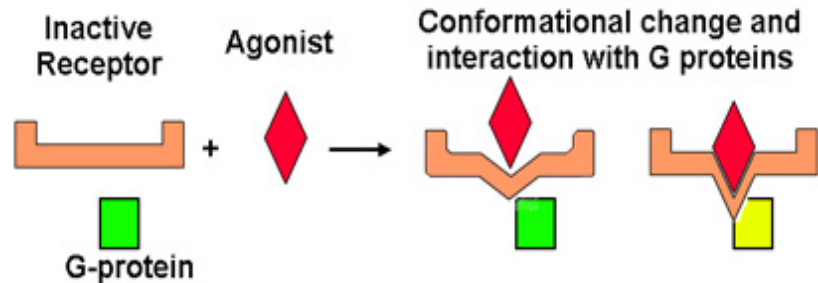


Small stimulus to cellular signaling machinery

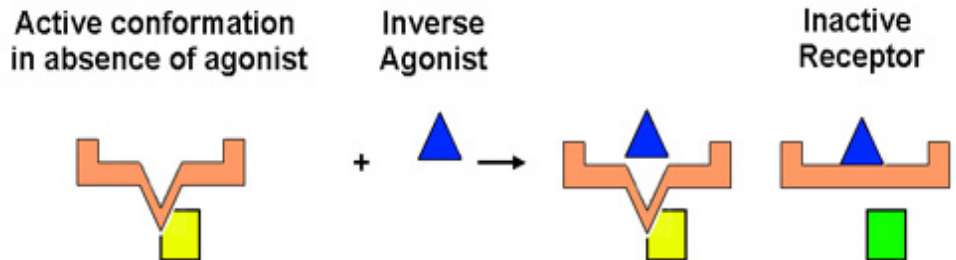


small effect

Typical Agonist Promoted Receptor Activation



Constitutively Active Receptor and an Inverse Agonist



Inverse Agonism

Full agonist

>> Partial agonist

>> Neutral antagonist

>> Partial inverse agonist

>> Full inverse agonist

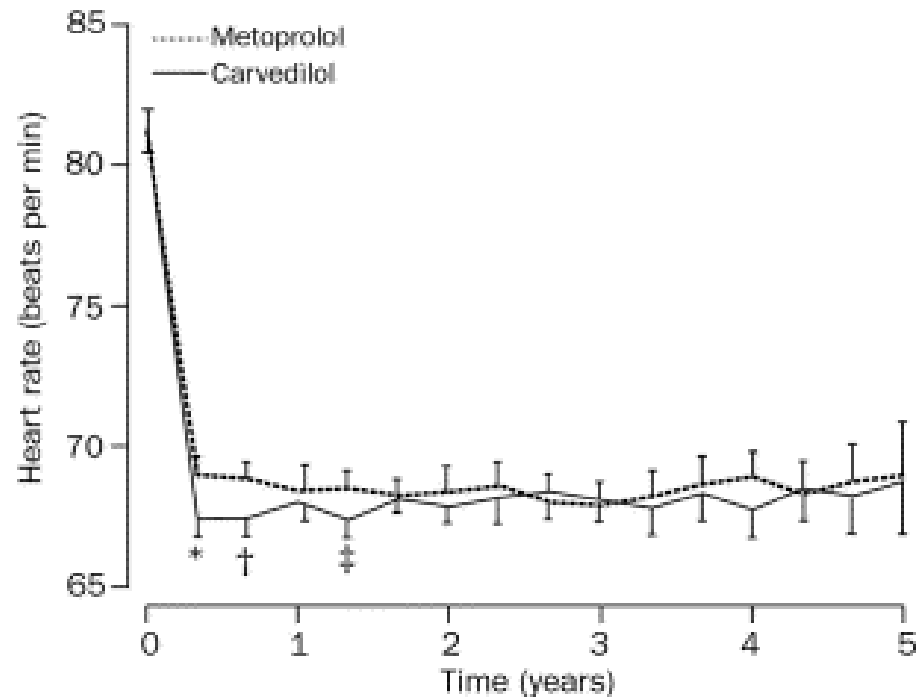
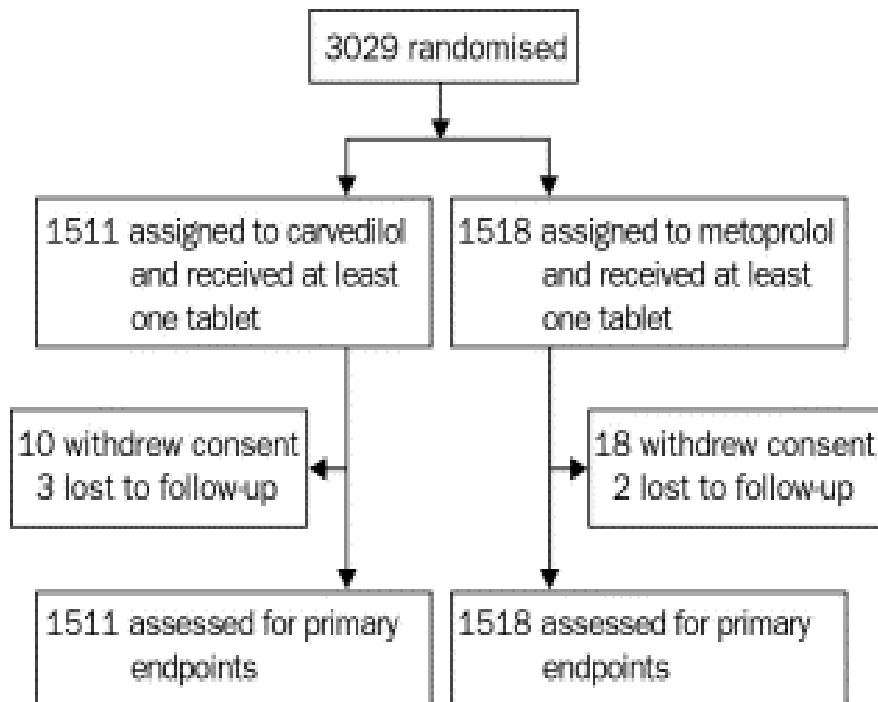
Ligand Affinity

	<u>Selectivity</u>	<u>Inverse agonism</u>	<u>Clinical data</u>
Antagonist			
Carvedilol	non-selective/ α 1	neutral	Good
Bisoprolol	β 1-selective	partial inverse agonist	Good
Metoprolol	β 1-selective	partial inverse agonist	Good
Nebivolol	β 1-selective	neutral	Good
Bucindolol	non-selective/ α 1	weak partial agonist	Neutral
Xamoterol	β 1-selective	strong partial agonist	Bad

Which combination?

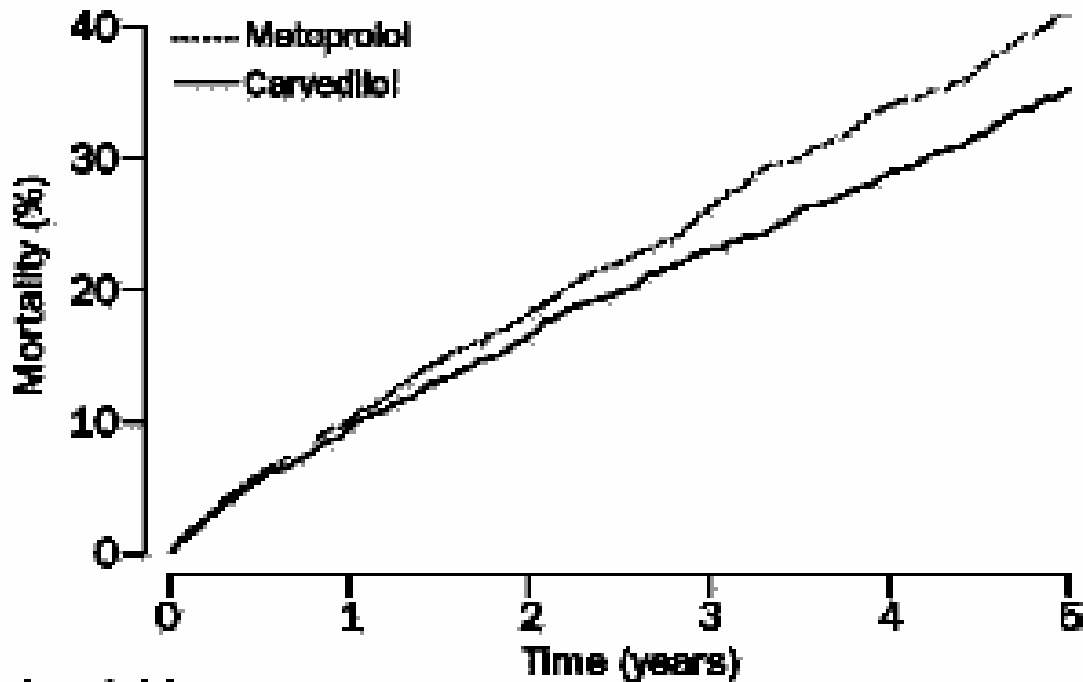
Which beta-blocker is better?

**Carvedilol 50mg/d vs. Metoprolol 100mg/d
NYHA II-IV, EF<35%**



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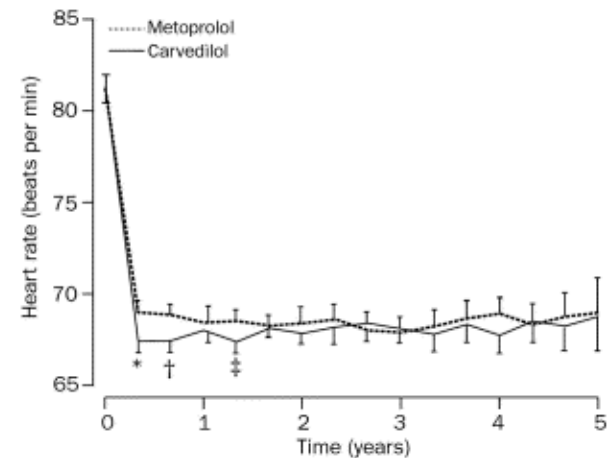
Which beta-blocker is better?



Number at risk.

Carvedilol	1511	1366	1259	1155	1002	383
Metoprolol	1518	1359	1234	1105	933	352

All-cause mortality
Carvedilol: 34%
Metoprolol: 40%
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Carvedilol better (?)

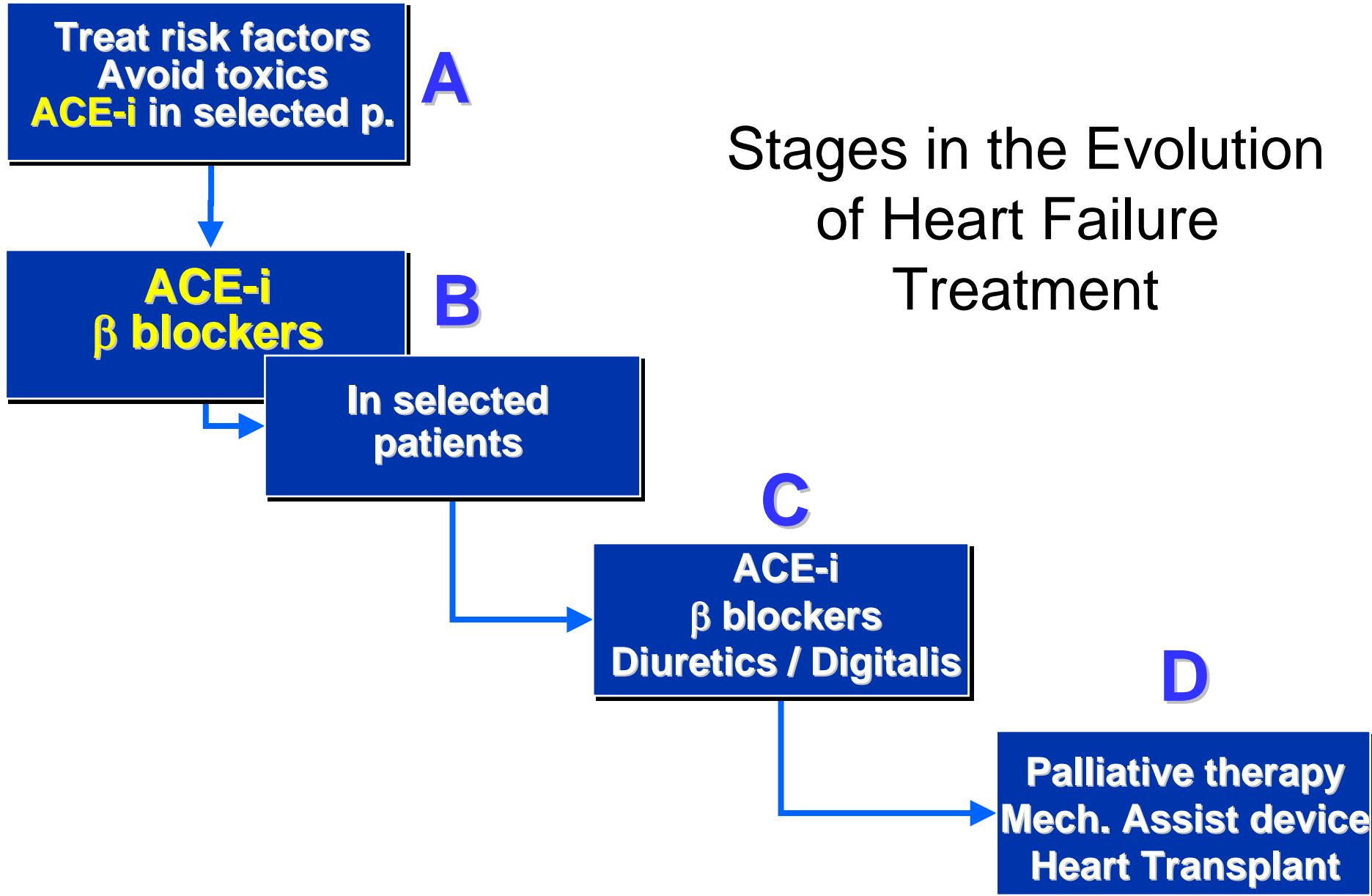


Is it true?

- Not use the dose or formulation of metoprolol CR/XL that was shown to prolong life (ie, MERIT-HF)
 - *Expert Opin Pharmacother. 2004;5:205-8*
- Dosing regimen of metoprolol in the COMET is similar to the dose of carvedilol
 - *Card Fail. 2003 Dec;9(6):429-43*

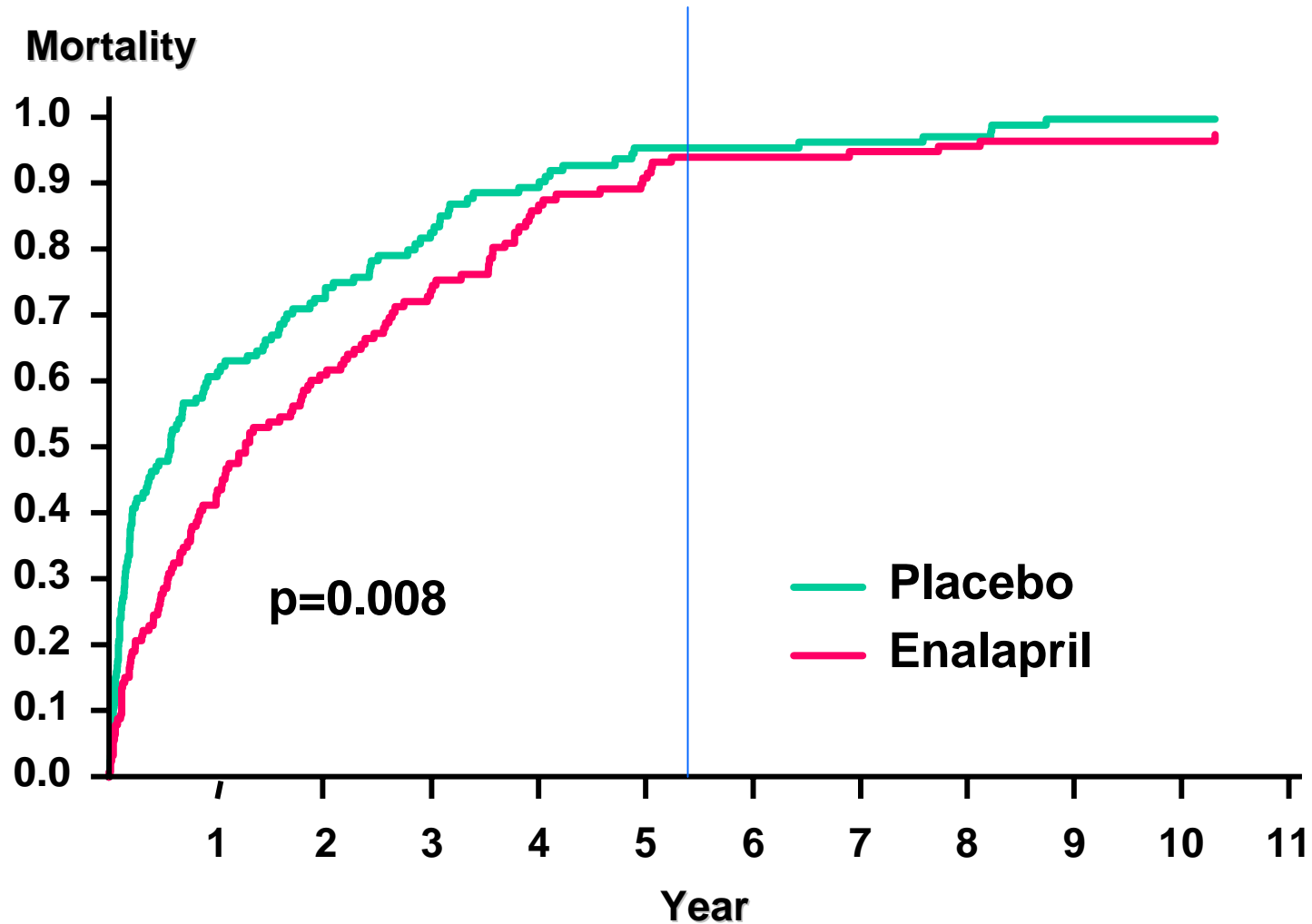
Beta-blocker
vs.
ACE inhibitor

Stages in the Evolution of Heart Failure Treatment

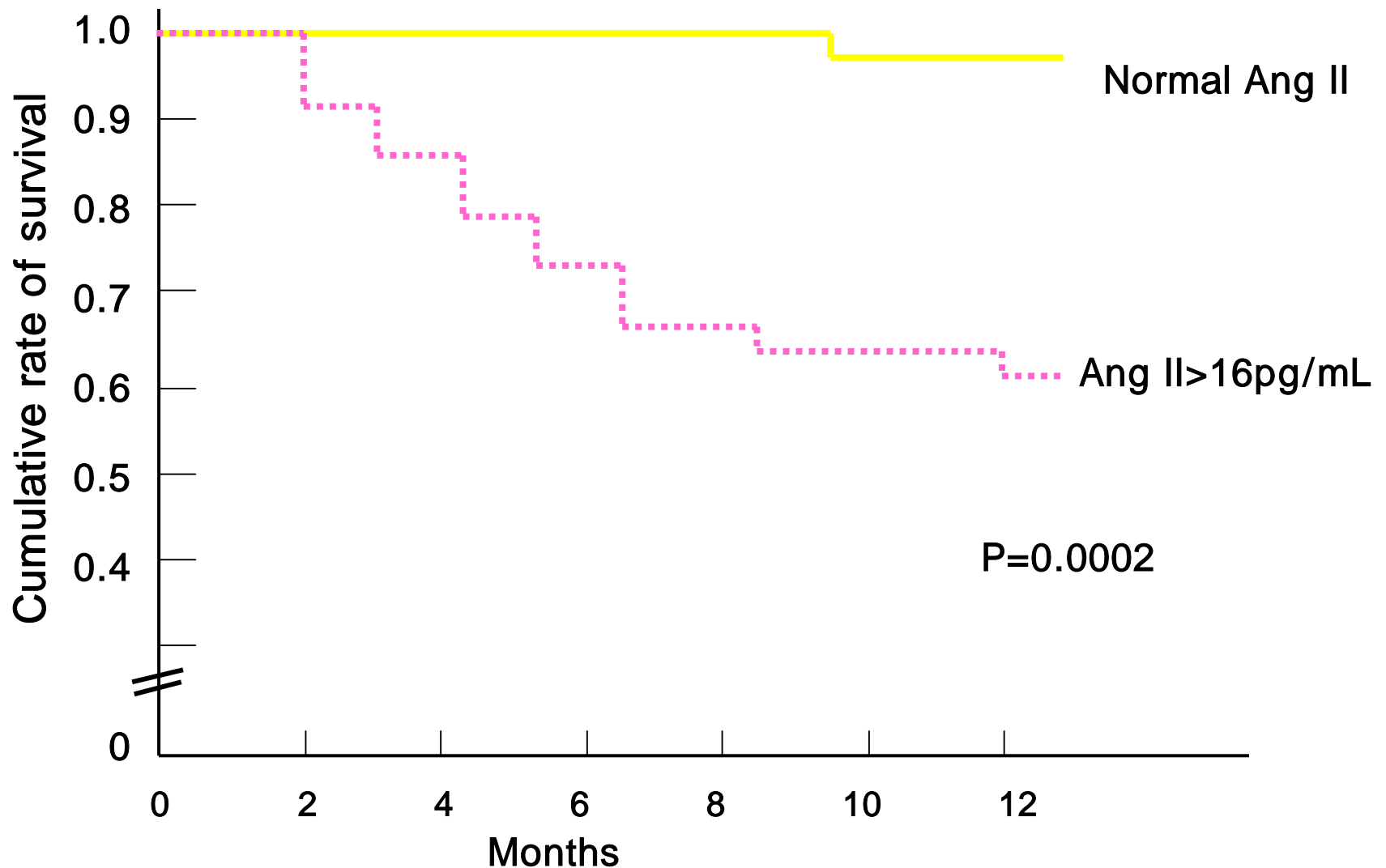


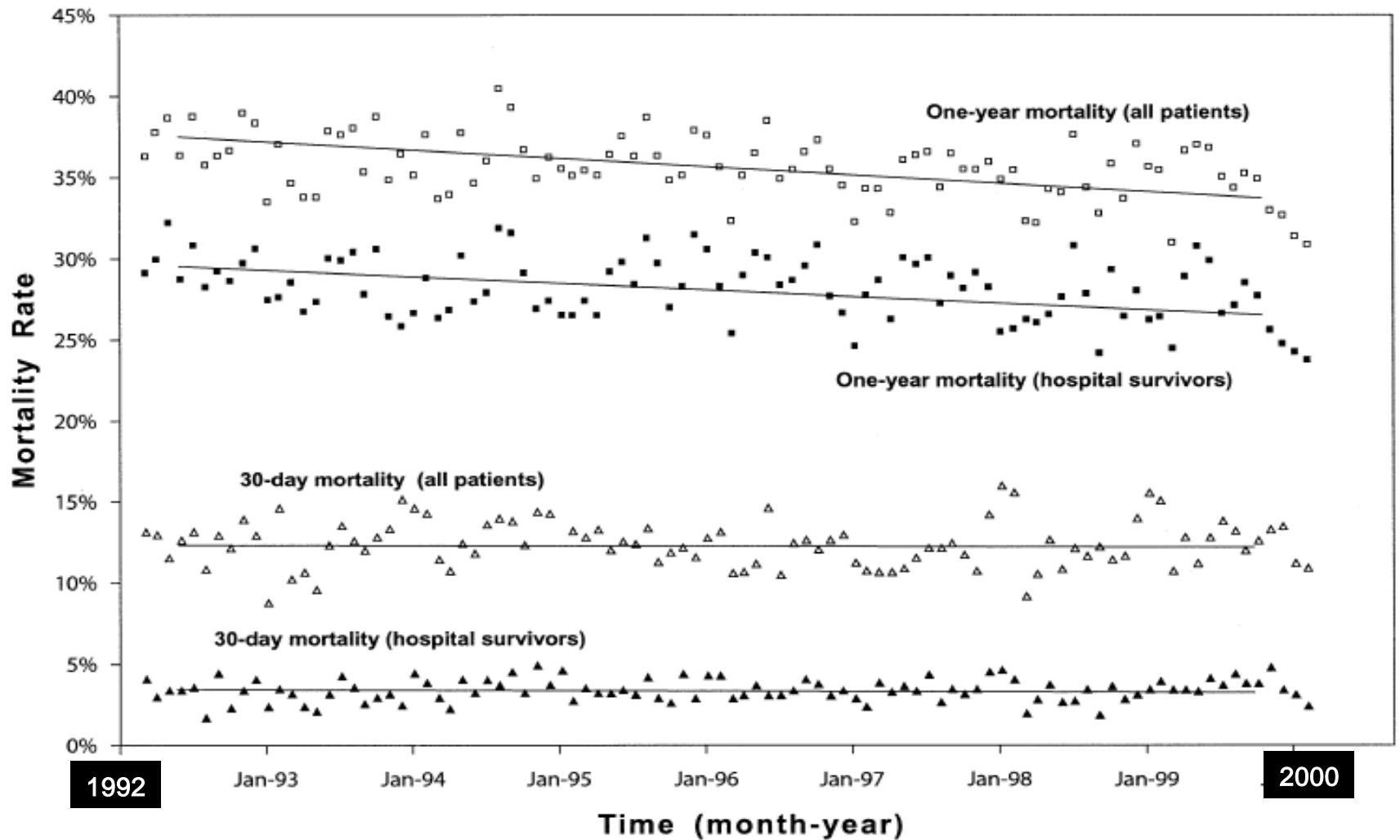
CONSENSUS 10-year follow-up

All randomized patients, original and follow-up

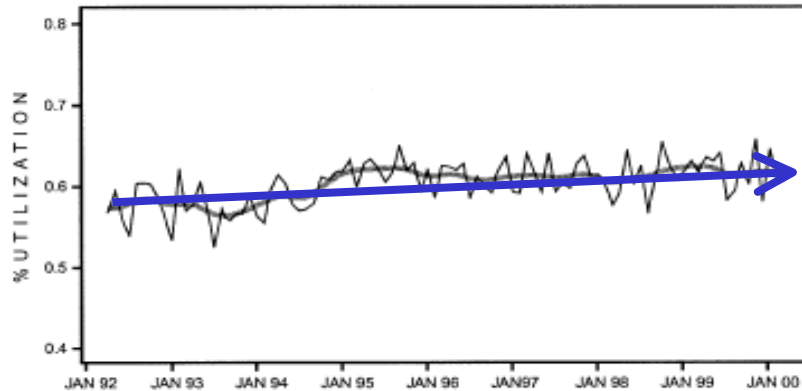


Angiotensin II in HF with ACEi Tx

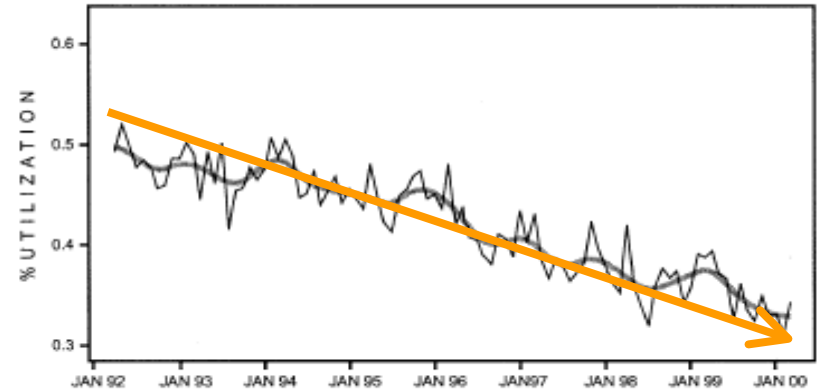




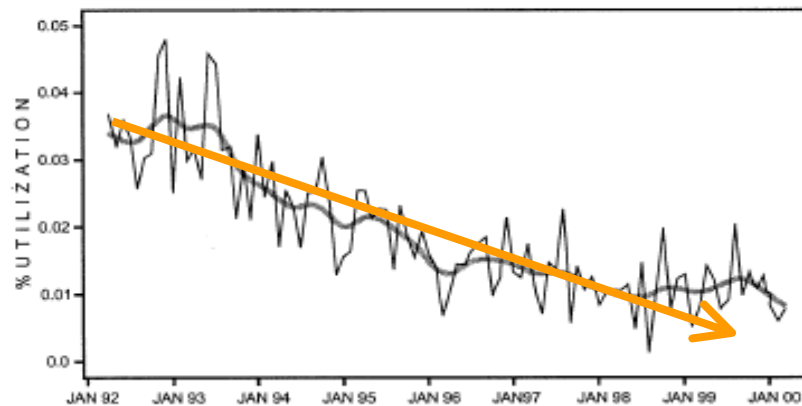
(A) ACE inhibitors or angiotensin receptor blockers



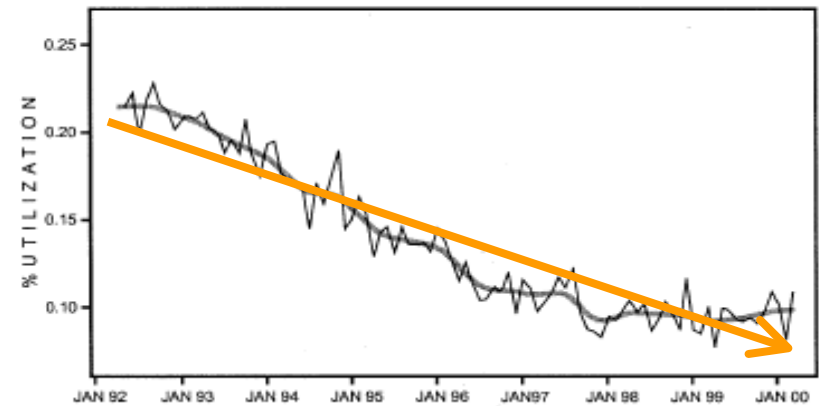
(B) Digitalis

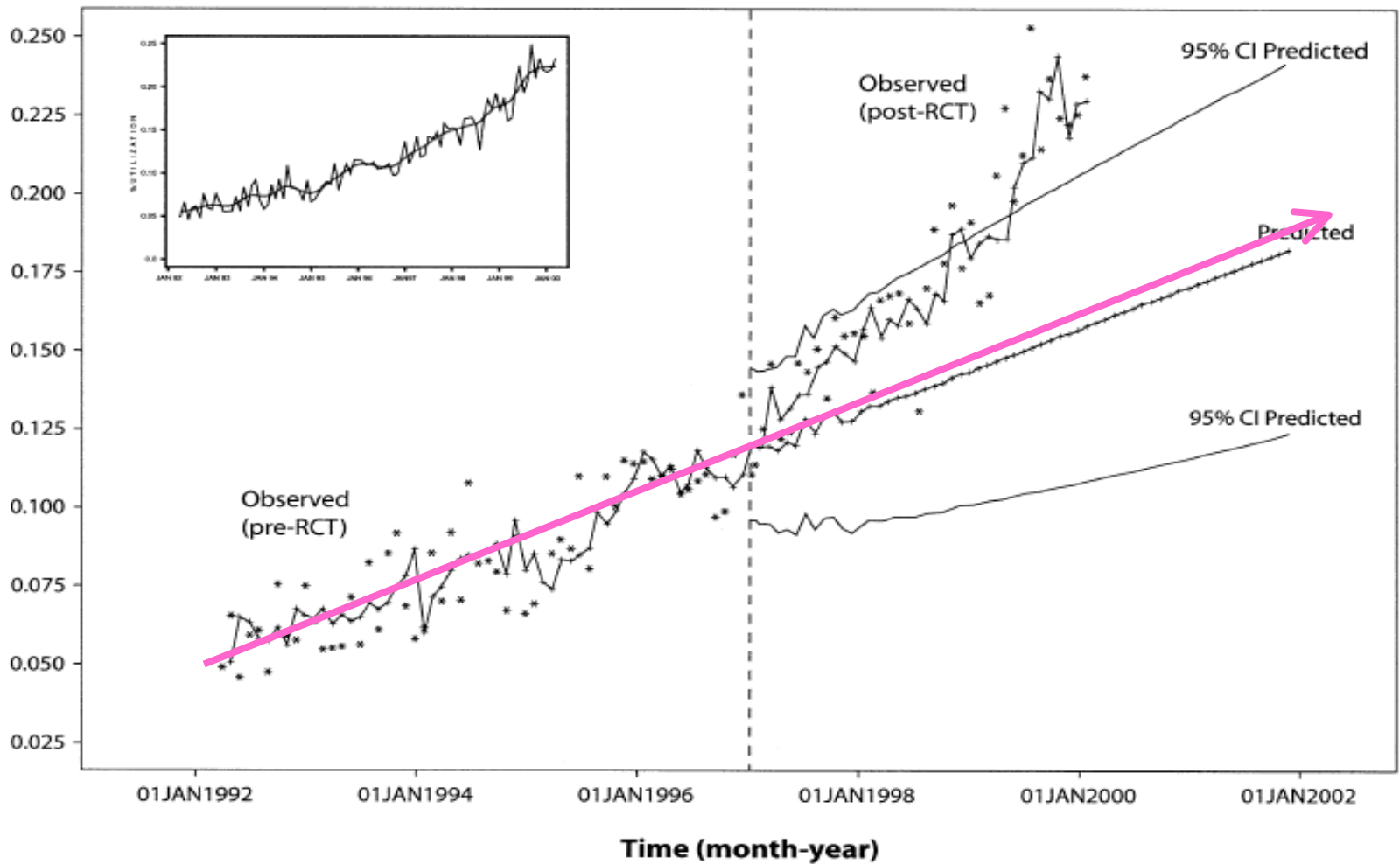


(C) Class I antiarrhythmic agents



(D) First-generation calcium antagonists





Lee M, Mamdani M and et al. Am J Med. 2004;116:581-589.



	Fiscal 1992/1993	Fiscal 1999/2000	P Value	
	(95% Confidence Interval)			
Beta adrenergic blockers	5.9 (3.9–7.9)	21.5 (17.2–25.8)	<0.001	→ 가
Calcium channel blockers*	21.3 (19.7–22.9)	9.6 (7.8–11.4)	<0.001	}
Digitalis preparations	48.6 (45.3–51.9)	34.5 (29.8–39.2)	<0.001	
Antiarrhythmic agents†	3.5 (2.1–4.9)	1.4 (0.6–2.2)	<0.001	}
ACE inhibitors	57.8 (52.3–63.3)	59.1 (55.0–63.2)	0.2	
ACE inhibitor or angiotensin receptor blocker	57.8 (52.3–63.3)	61.7 (56.8–66.6)	0.001	}

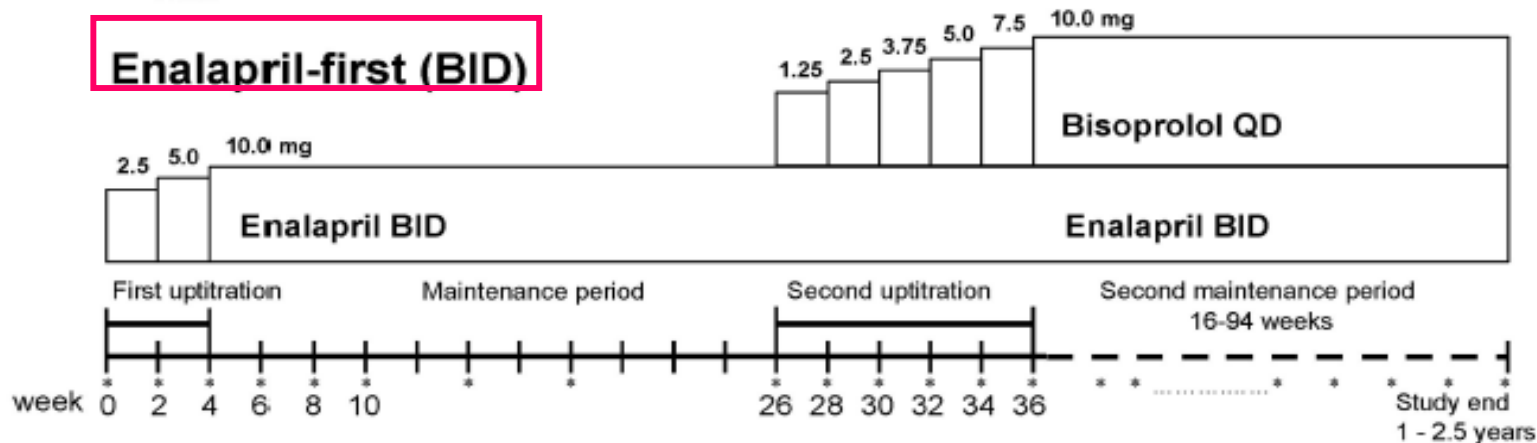
Which one first? (beta-blocker:ACEi)

Bisoprolol-first (QD)



* = visits

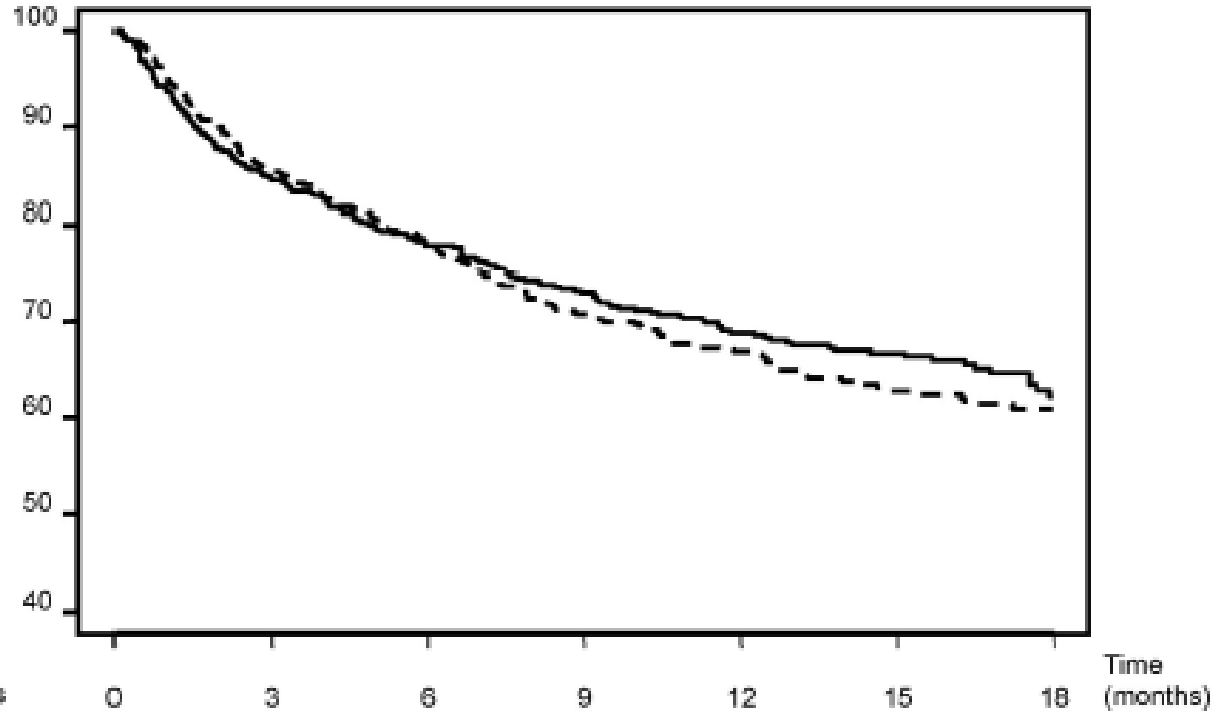
Enalapril-first (BID)



CIBIS III

A

Event-free survival (%)



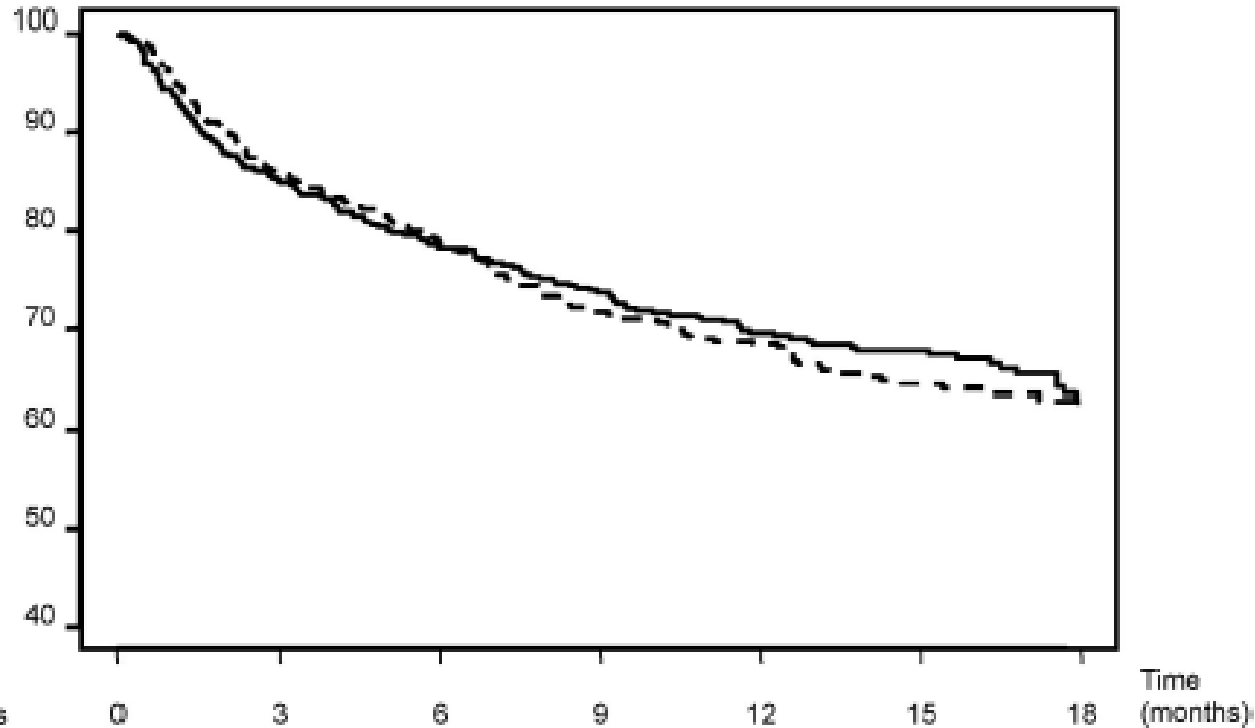
Numbers at risk	0	3	6	9	12	15	18
Enalapril-first	505	429	388	344	277	178	76
Bisoprolol-first	505	423	389	355	291	197	87

intention-to-treat sample: noninferiority $P=0.019$

CIBIS III

B

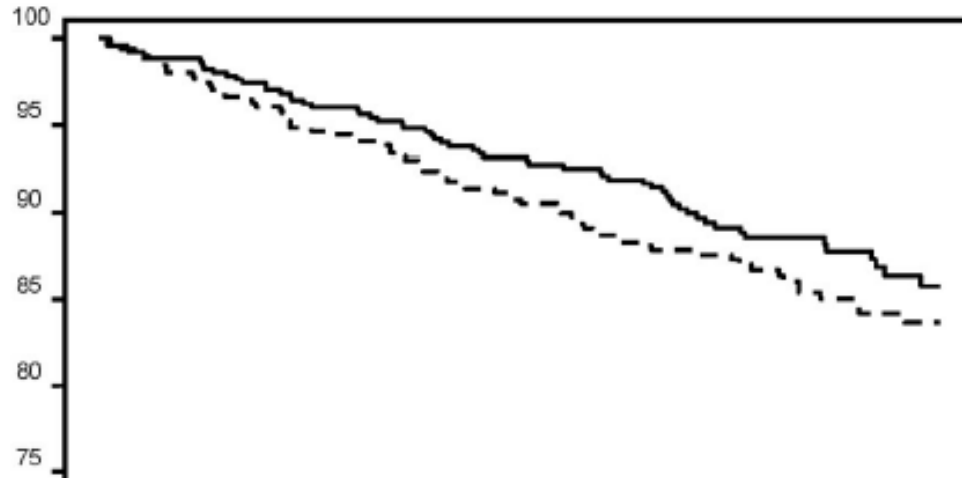
Event-free survival (%)



Per-protocol sample: noninferiority $P=0.046$

CIBIS III

Survival (%)



Although noninferiority of bisoprolol-first versus enalapril-first treatment was not proven in the per-protocol analysis, our results indicate that **it may be as safe and efficacious** to initiate treatment for CHF with bisoprolol as with enalapril.

Modulation of β -AR in HF

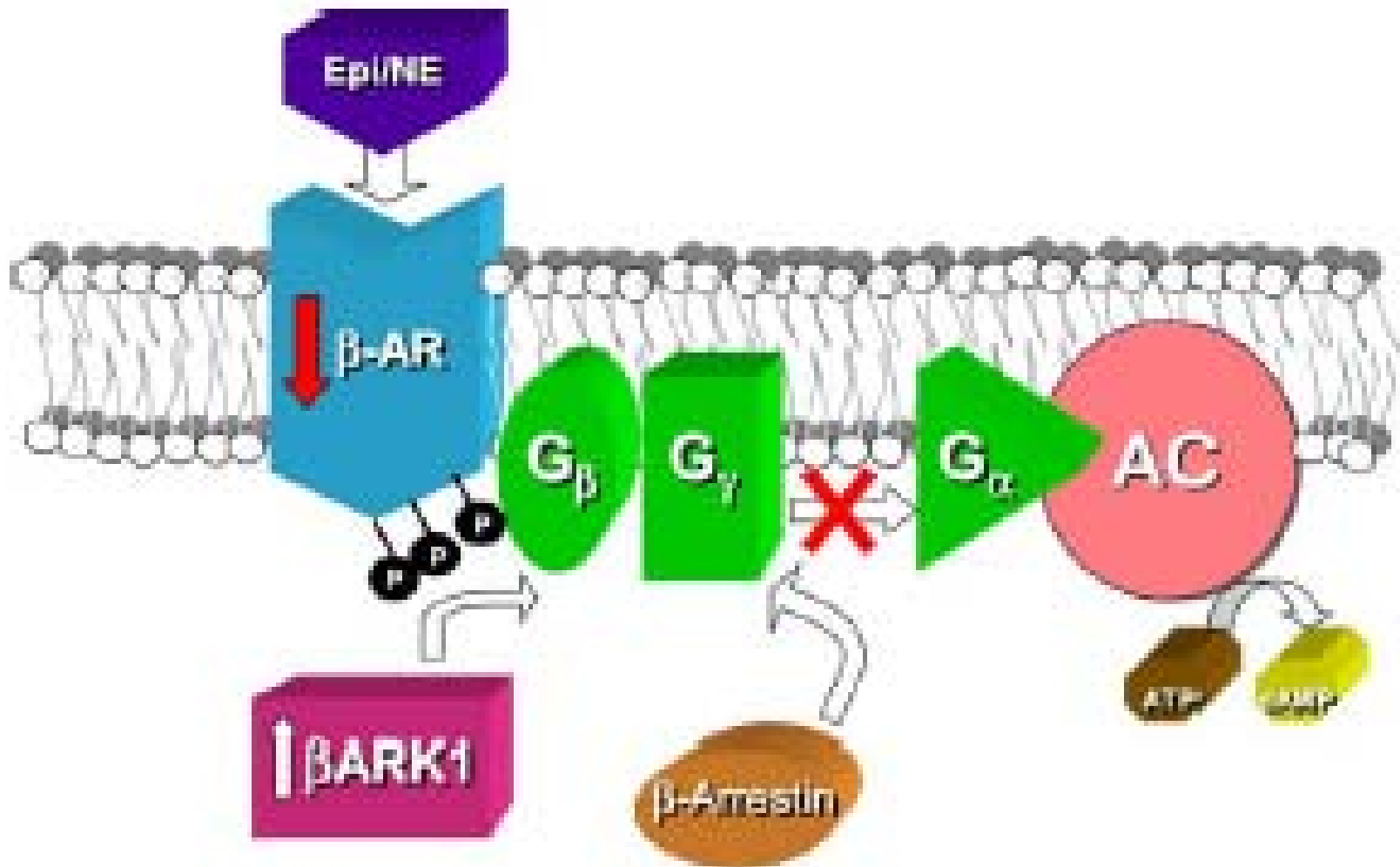
- **Down-regulation**

β -

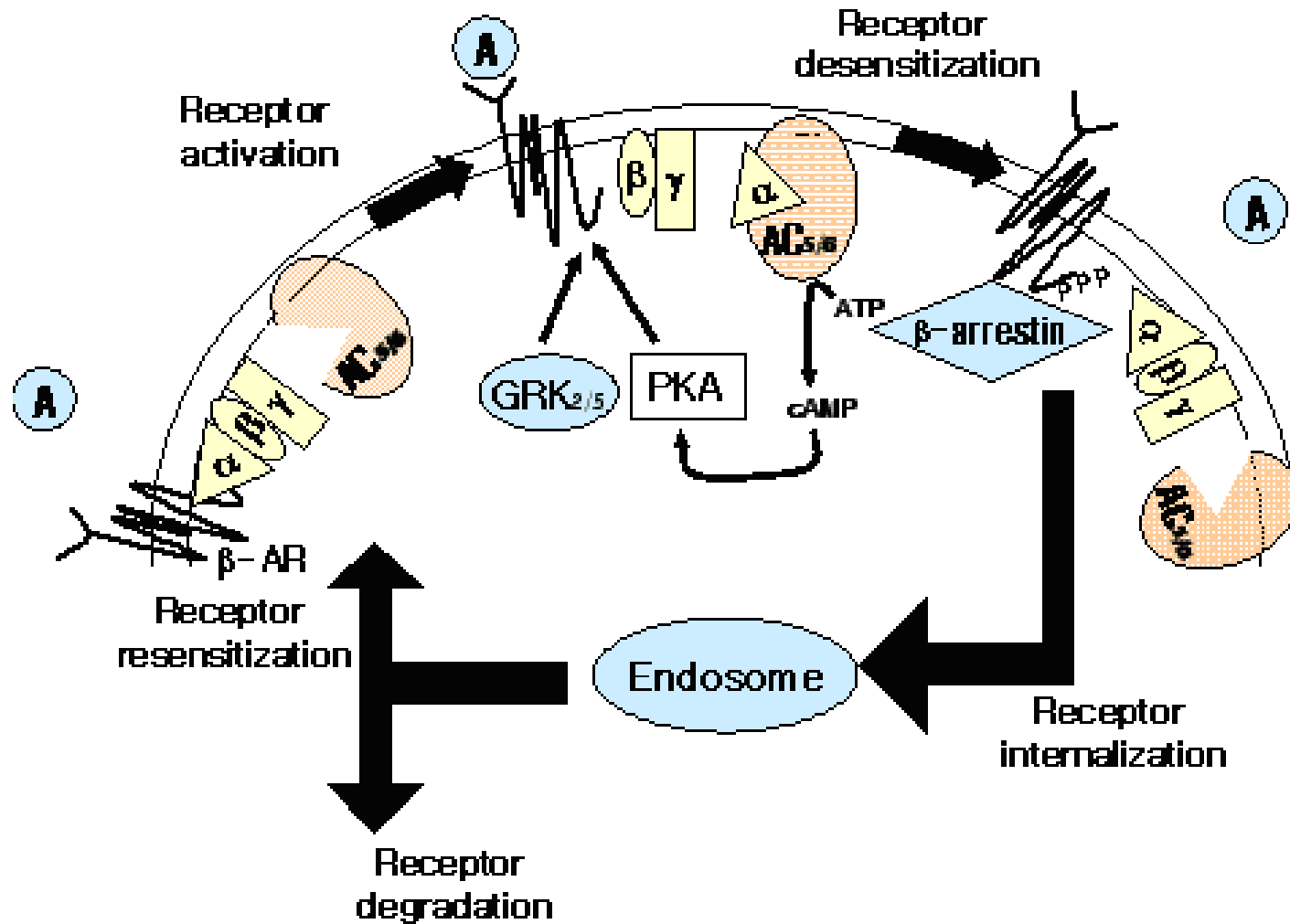
- **Desensitization**

- Heterologous desensitization by **PKC, PKA**
- Homologous desensitization by **β ARK1, GRK5**

G Protein-coupled Receptor Kinases (GRKs)



β -Adrenergic Receptor

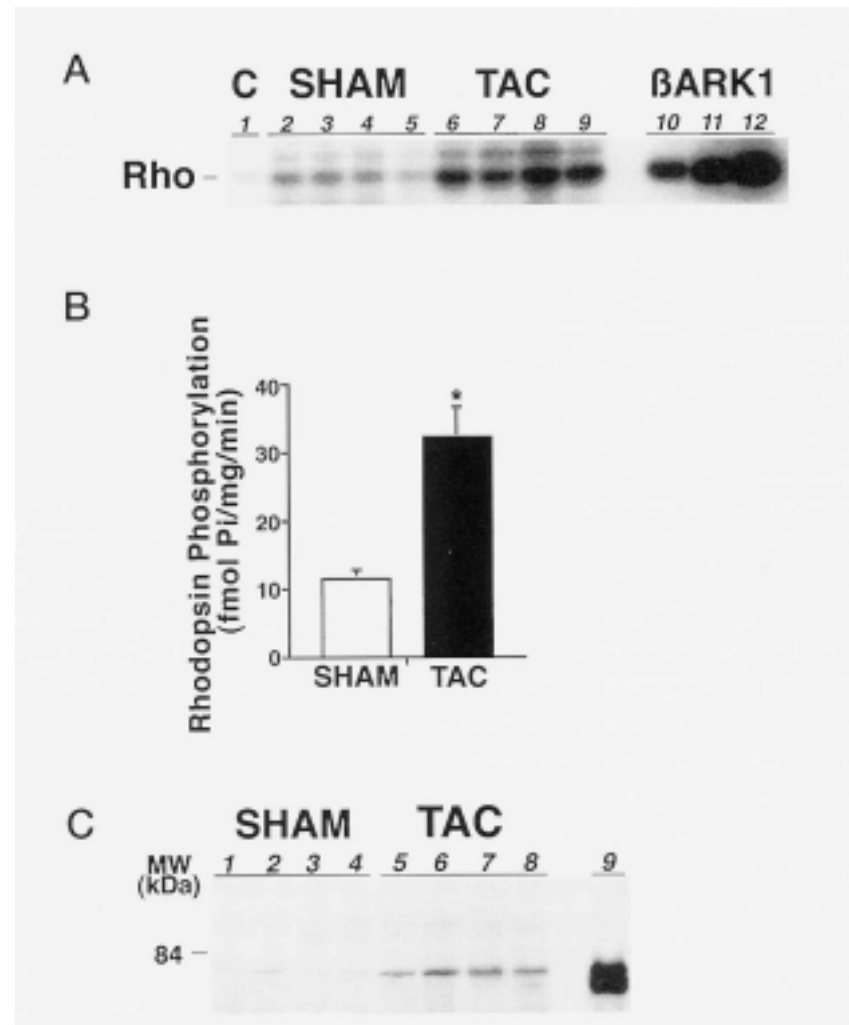
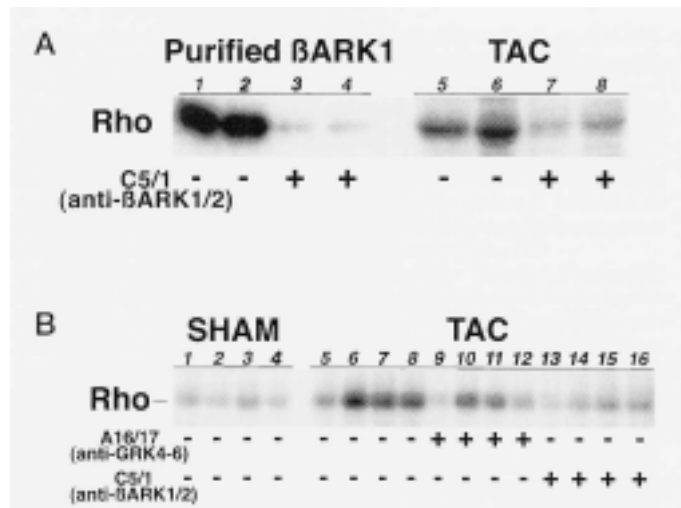
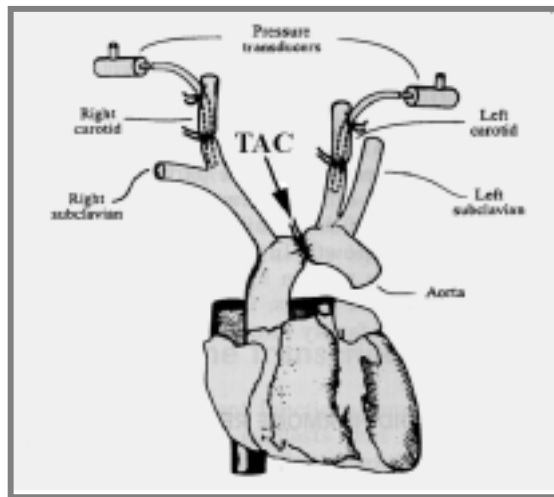


G Protein-coupled Receptor Kinases (GRKs)

Kinase	Substrate specificity	Localization
GRK1 (<i>RK</i>)	Rho >> β AR	Retina
GRK2 (β <i>ARK1</i>)	β AR, m2R, α AR > Rho	Heart, lung, brain
GRK3 (β <i>ARK2</i>)	β AR, m2R, α AR > Rho, Olf	Brain > heart, lung
GRK4 (<i>IT11</i>)	?	Testis
GRK5	β AR > m2R, α AR > Rho	Heart, lung > muscle
GRK6	β AR > Rho	Brain, muscle > heart

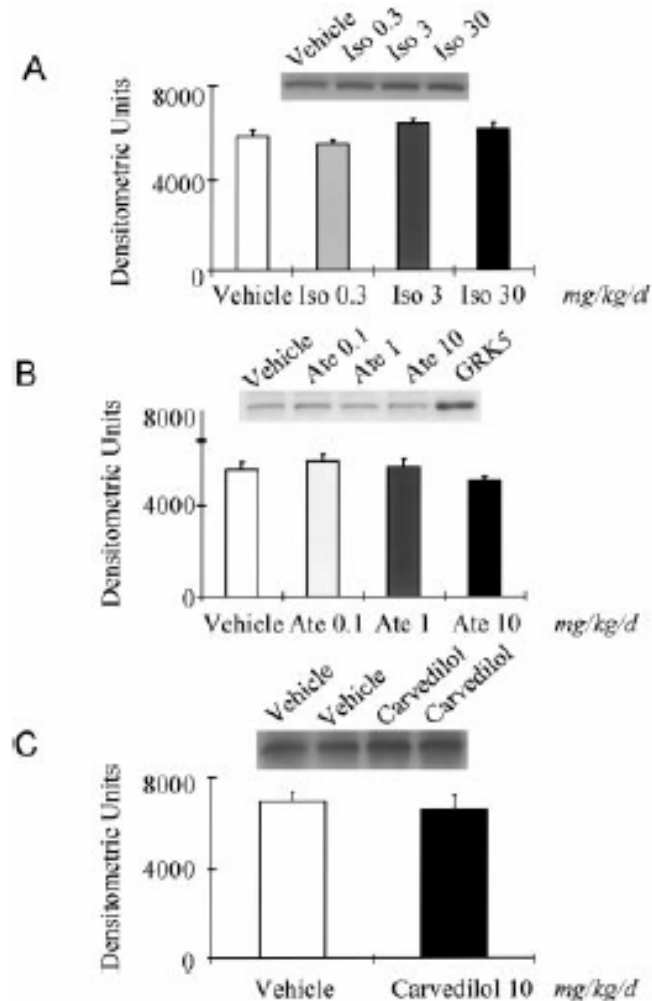
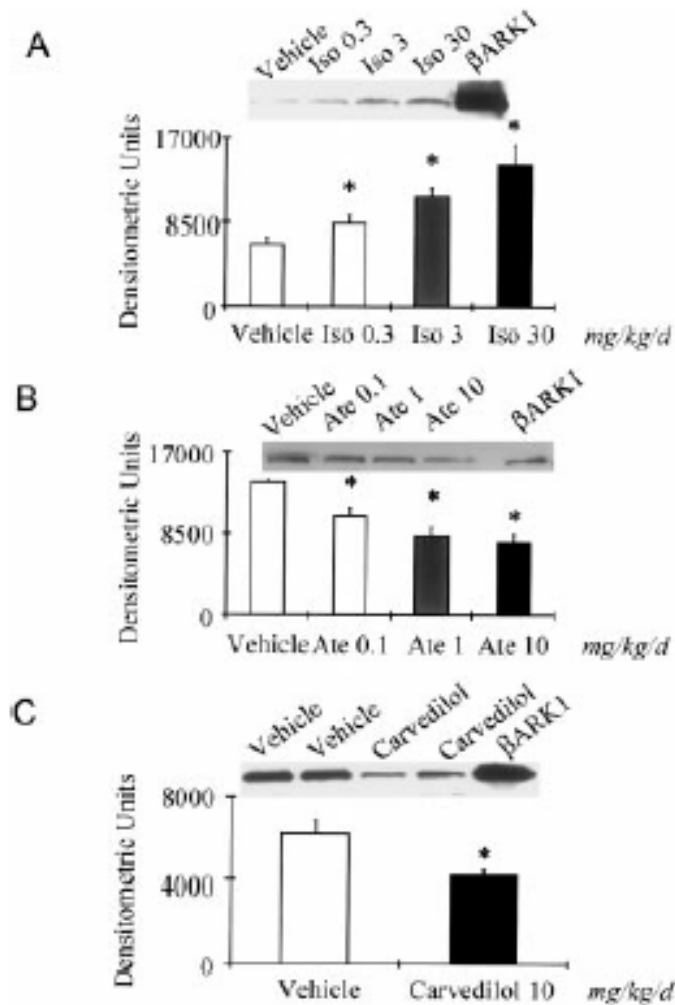
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β ARK1 in human Cardiac Hypertrophy

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Hypertensive left ventricular hypertrophy: relation to β -adrenergic receptor kinase-1 (β ARK1) in peripheral lymphocytes

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Background Left ventricular hypertrophy (LVH) is associated with increased cardiovascular risk and altered sympathetic regulation in hypertension.

Objectives To determine whether the level of β -adrenergic receptor kinase-1 (β ARK1) in lymphocytes is related to LVH in patients with hypertension.

Methods Forty-nine patients with untreated essential hypertension were recruited to the study and classified into two groups: left ventricular hypertrophy (LVH: left ventricular mass index ≥ 134 g/m² in men and ≥ 110 g/m² in women; ages 52.4 ± 12.8 years, $n = 25$) and non-LVH (NLVH: left ventricular mass index < 134 g/m² in men and < 110 g/m² in women; ages 50.8 ± 13.1 years, $n = 24$).

activity from LVH was enhanced 1.7-fold compared with NLVH (1.03 ± 2.16 and 1.79 ± 1.87 pmol phosphate/min per mg protein, respectively; $P < 0.05$, $n = 7$ for each group).

Conclusions The concentration of β ARK1 in lymphocytes is greater in hypertensive individuals with LVH than in those without LVH and parallels the degree of hypertrophy. Generalized alterations in β -adrenergic signalling, including β ARK1, could be a major contributory factor in the development of LVH in hypertension, and the concentration of β ARK1 in lymphocytes can reflect the development of LVH in a patient with hypertension.

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Fig. 1

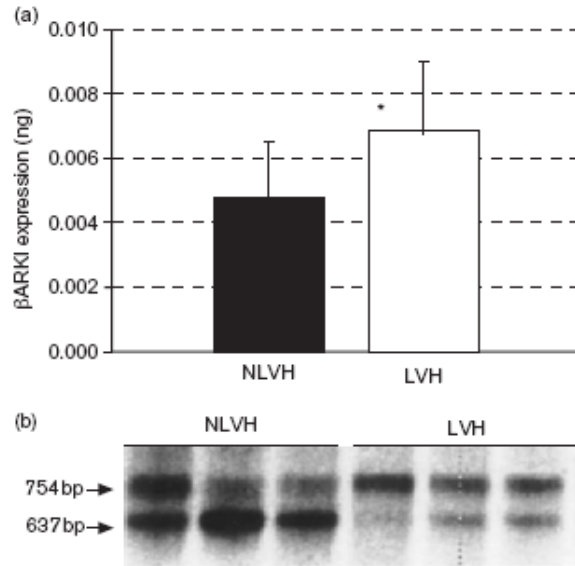


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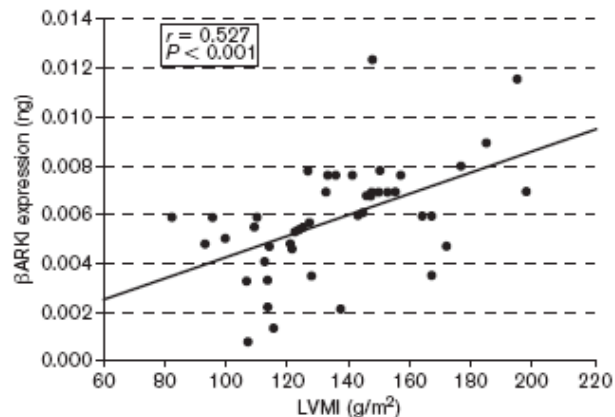
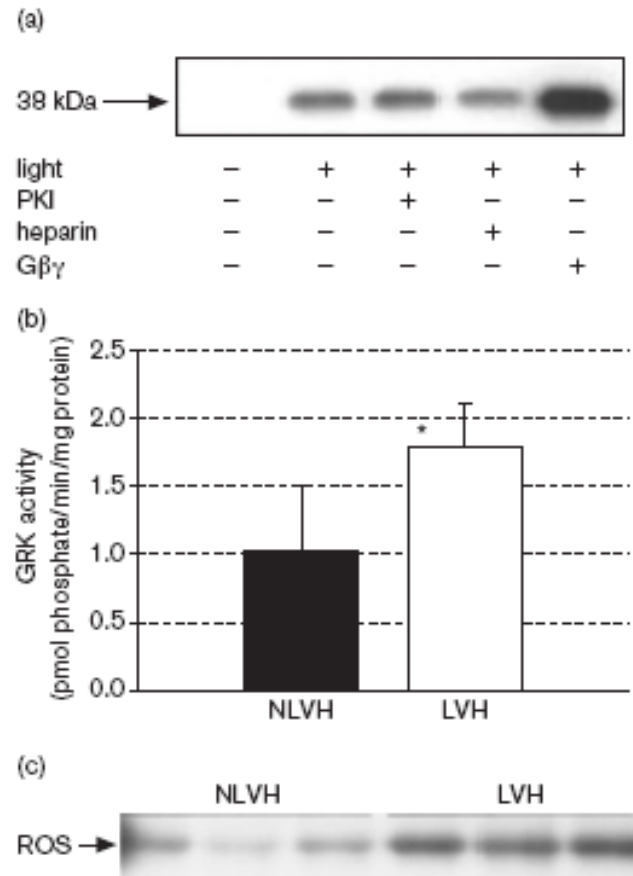


Fig. 5



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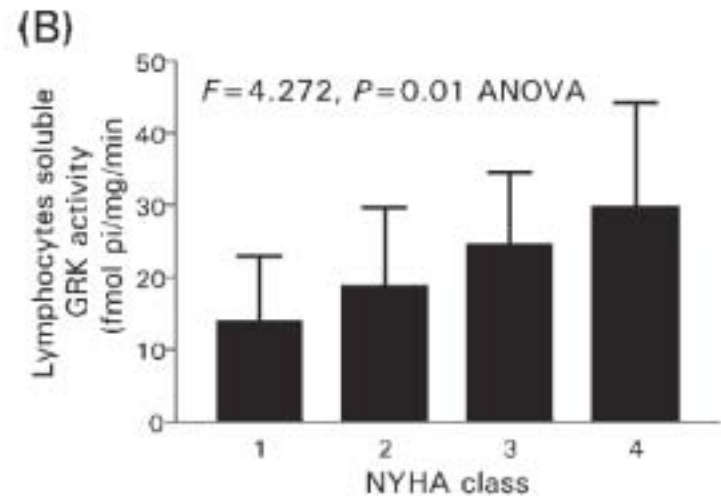
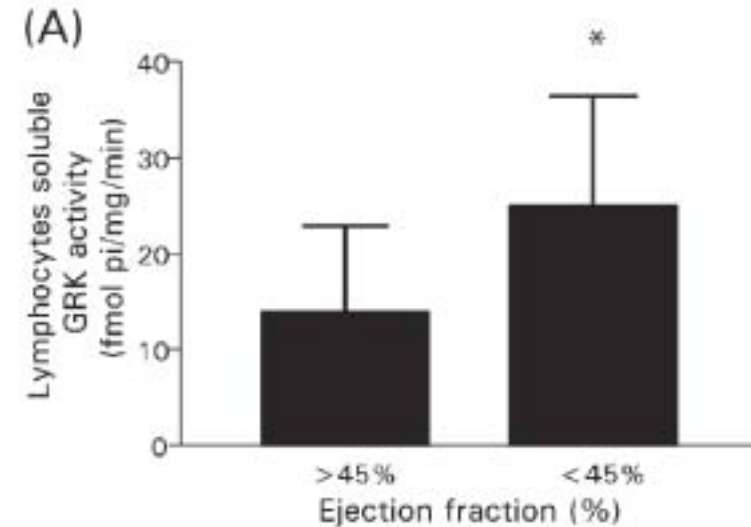
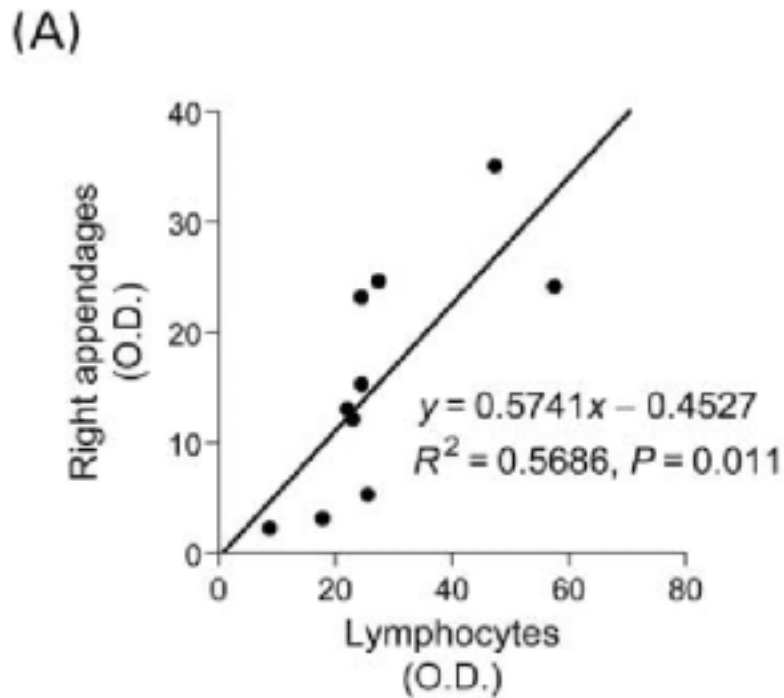
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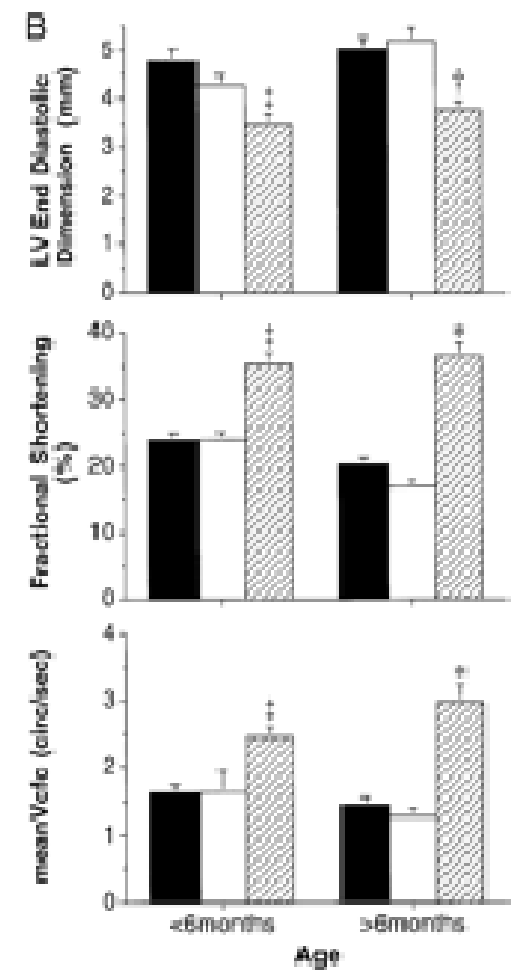
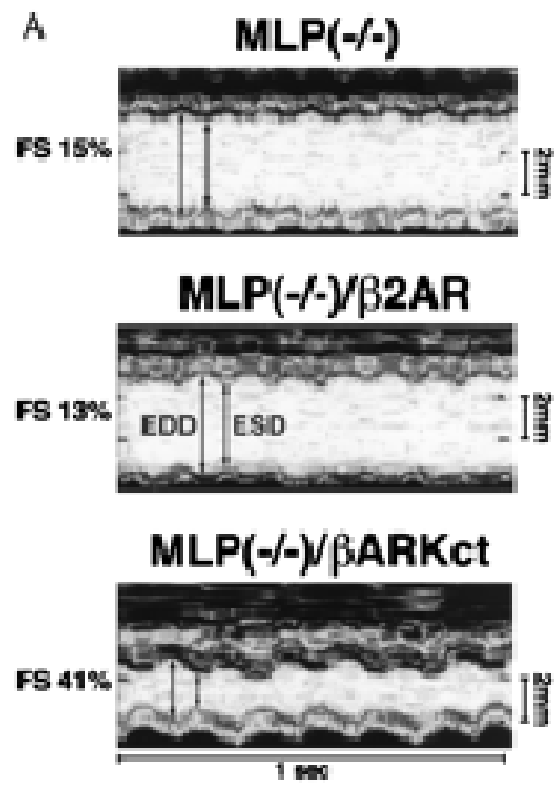
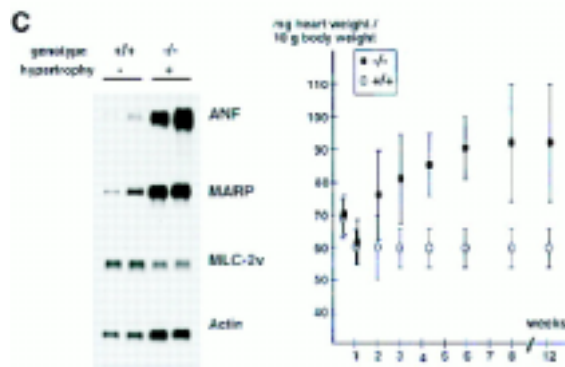
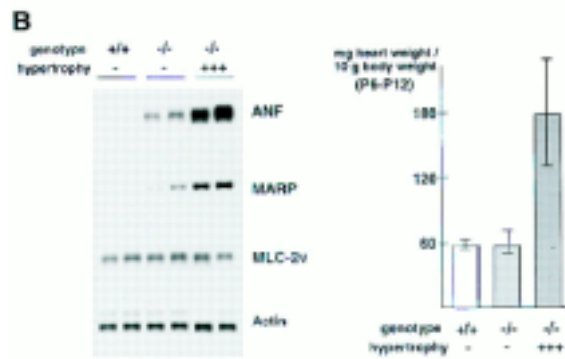
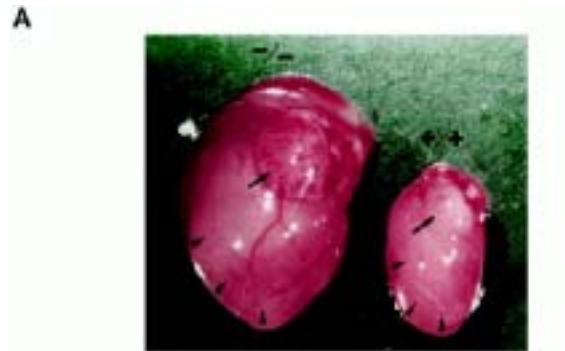
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GRK2 in HF model (MLP knock-out)

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Recent Update beta-blocker in HF

β -blocker should be considered in all HF.

1. NYHA FC II-IV
2. Reduced LVEF
3. Stable, mild to severe HF
4. Ischemic or non-ischemic
5. On standard Tx: diuretics and ACEi

Class I recommendation, evidence level A

Recent Update beta-blocker in HF

Recommended β -blocker in HF

1. Carvedilol
2. Bisoprolol
3. Metoprolol succinate (*not tartrate*)
4. Nebivolol (*ESC2005*)

Class I recommendation, evidence level A

Future directions

- 1) Which beta-blocker is better? Or new one?
 β_1/β_2 , α_1 , anti-oxidant, inverse agonism...
- 2) β -blocker prior to ACEi?
After CIBIS III
- 3) Other than β -blocker for modulating β -AR system?