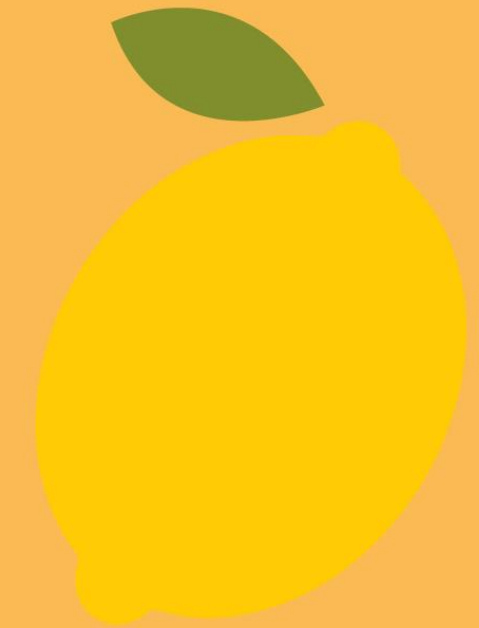
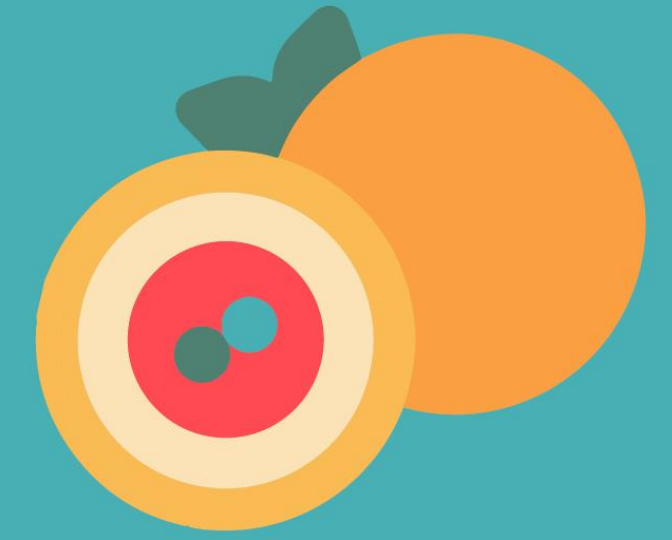
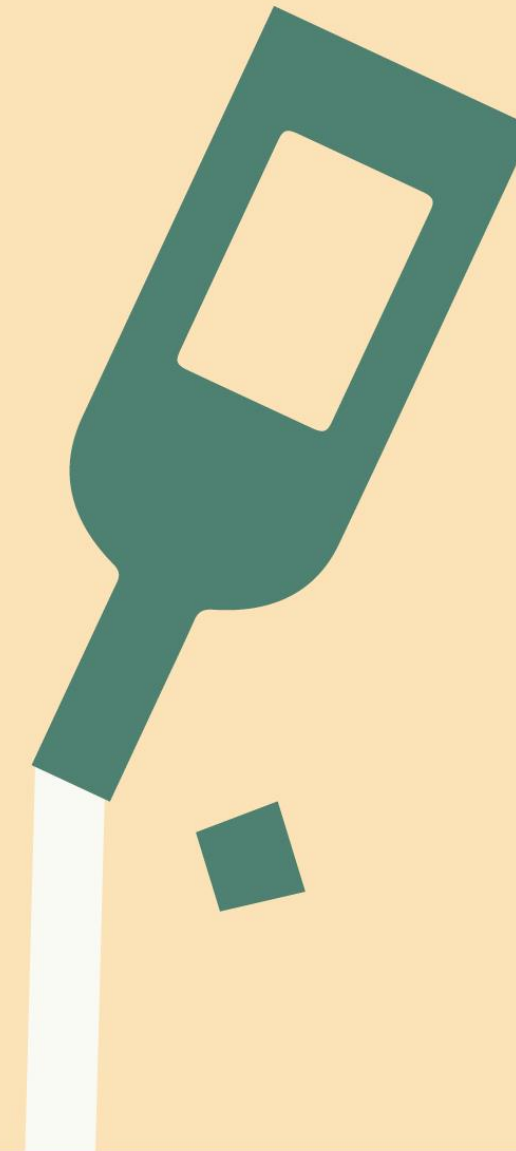




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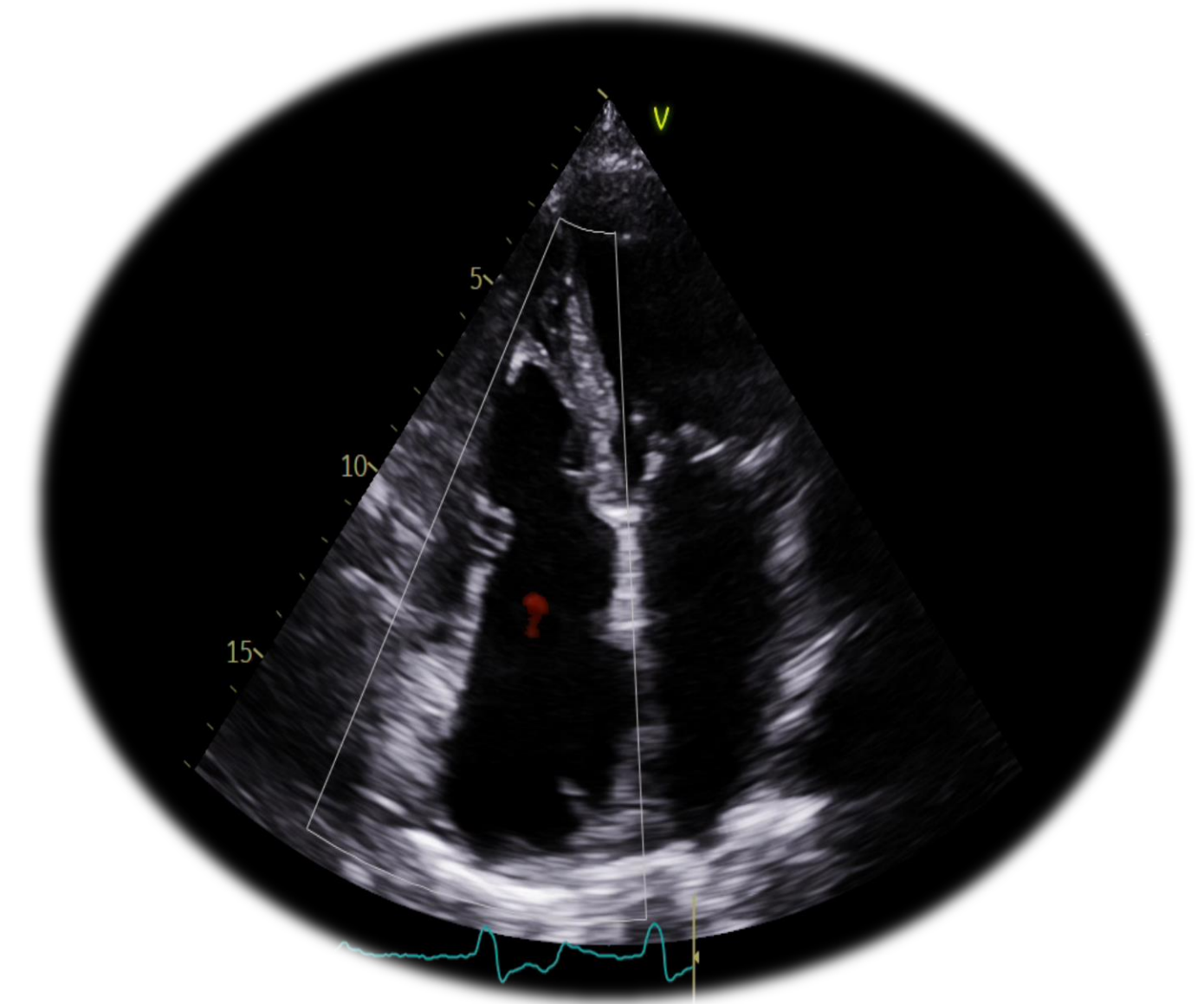
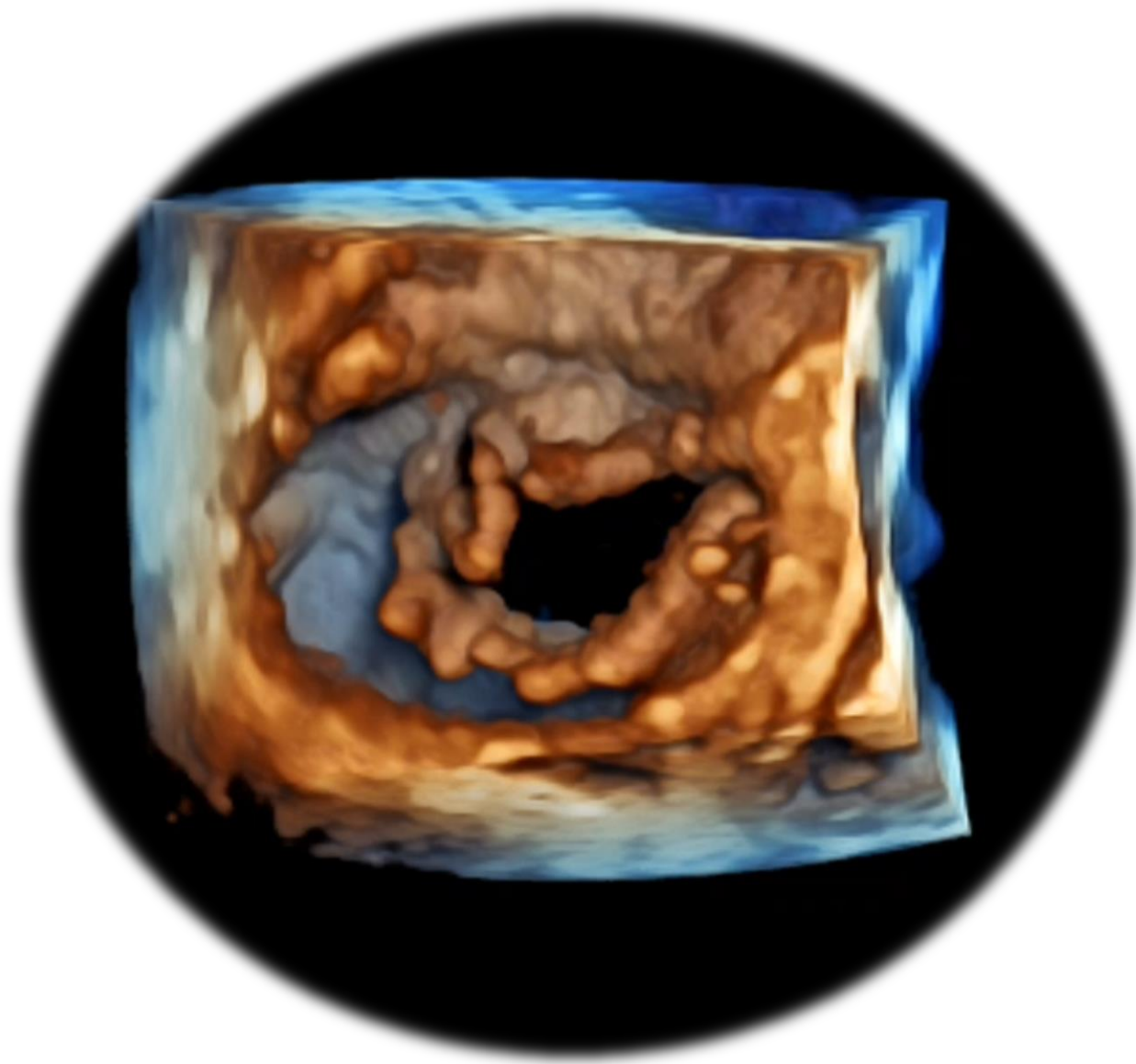
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# IMPACT OF TREATMENT ON TRICUSPID REGURGITATION GRADING



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NO CONFLICTS OF INTEREST



# Tricuspid regurgitation is associated with increased mortality independent of pulmonary pressures and right heart failure: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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**Aims** To undertake a systematic review and meta-analysis to determine the influence of tricuspid regurgitation (TR) severity on mortality.

**Methods and results** We performed a systematic search for studies reporting clinical outcomes of patients with TR. The primary endpoint was all-cause mortality and secondary endpoints were cardiac mortality and hospitalization for heart failure (HF). Overall risk ratios (RR) and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) were derived for each endpoint according to the severity of TR by meta-analysing the effect estimates of eligible studies. Seventy studies totalling 32 601 patients were included in the analysis, with a mean (±SD) follow-up of 3.2 ± 2.1 years. Moderate/severe TR was associated with a two-fold increased mortality risk compared to no/mild TR (RR 1.95, 95% CI 1.75–2.17). Moderate/severe TR remained associated with higher all-cause mortality among 13 studies which adjusted for systolic pulmonary arterial pressures (RR 1.85, 95% CI 1.44–2.39), and 15 studies, which adjusted for right ventricular (RV) dysfunction (RR 1.78, 95% CI 1.49–2.13). Moderate/severe TR was also associated with increased cardiac mortality (RR 2.56, 95% CI 1.84–3.55) and HF hospitalization (RR 1.73, 95% CI 1.14–2.62). Compared to patients with no TR, patients with mild, moderate, and severe TR had a progressively increased risk of all-cause mortality (RR 1.25, 1.61, and 3.44, respectively; *P* < 0.001 for trend).

**Conclusions** Moderate/severe TR is associated with an increased mortality risk, which appears to be independent of pulmonary pressures and RV dysfunction.

## Risk of All-cause Mortality



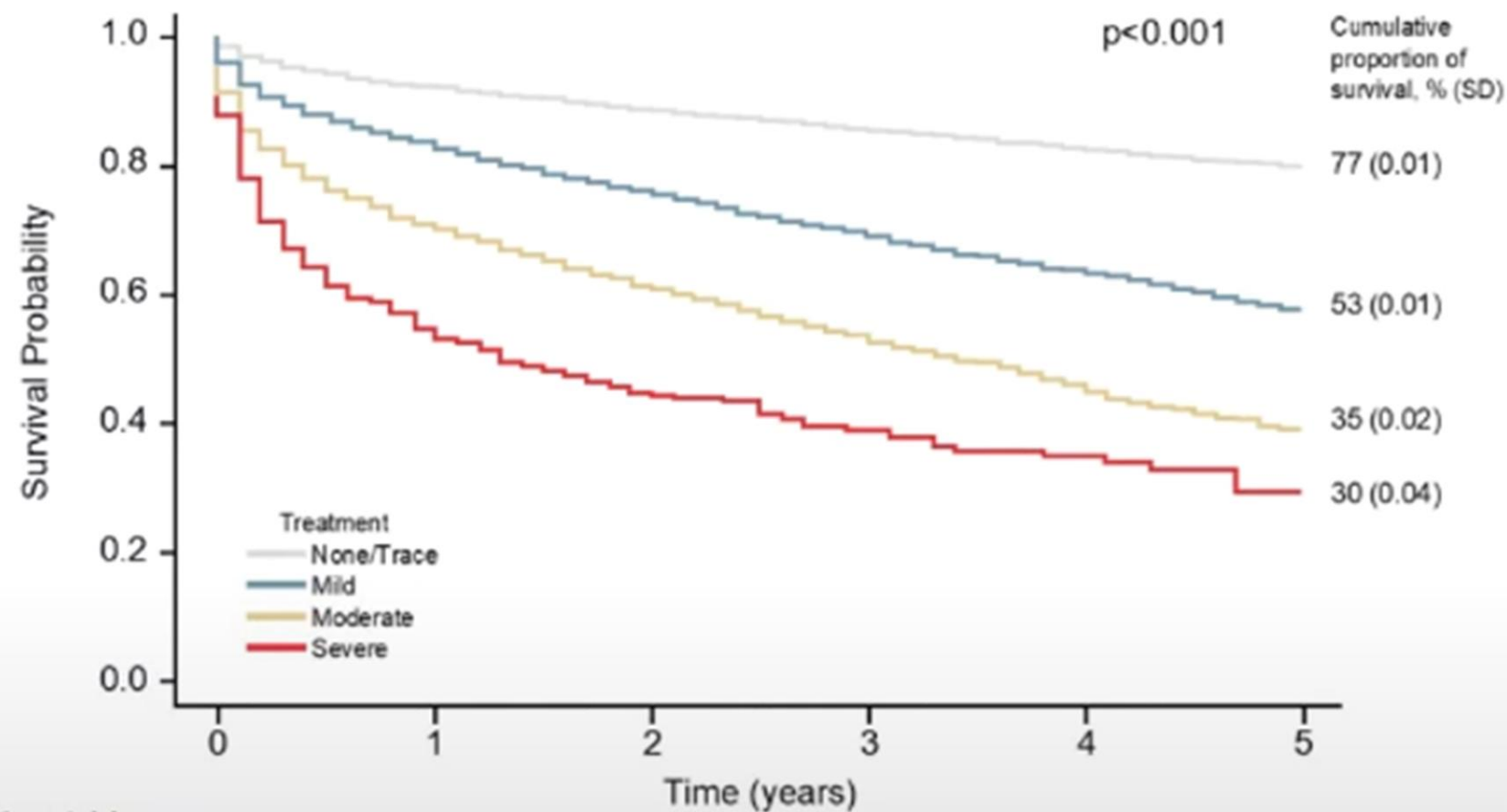
**Tricuspid Regurgitation is not an 'INNOCENT BYSTANDER'**

# Tricuspid regurgitation and long-term clinical outcomes

**At least moderate TR is independently associated with increased mortality**

## Survival-All Comers

The Kaplan-Meier survival curves of all patients according to TR grade



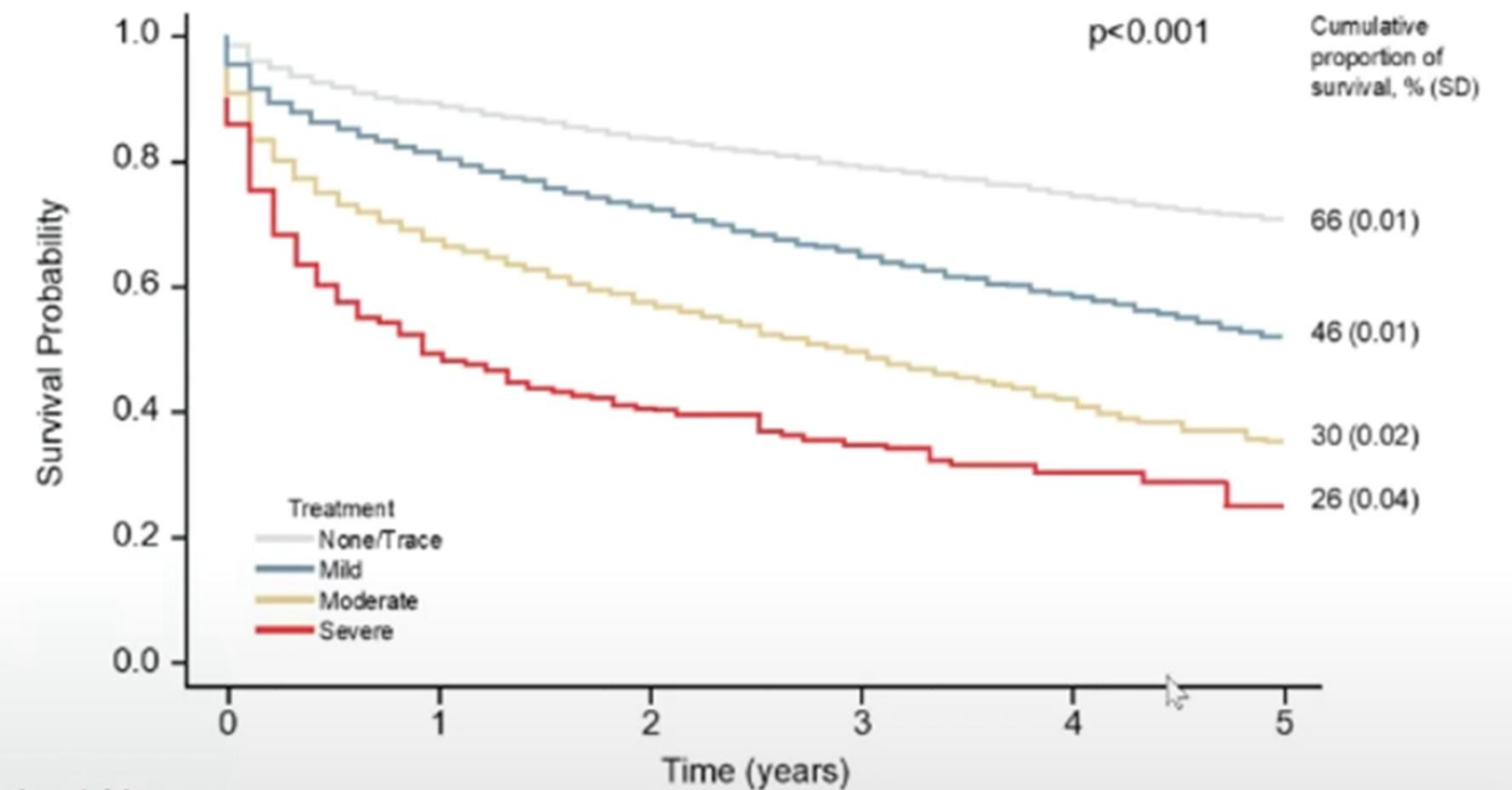
Number at risk:

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None/Trace	23045	20957	15985	11374	7183	2956
Mild	7297	6000	4455	2970	1750	805
Moderate	2682	1867	1230	764	432	177
Severe	281	152	101	65	42	14

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## Survival-Hospitalized

The Kaplan-Meier survival curves of hospitalized patients according to TR grade



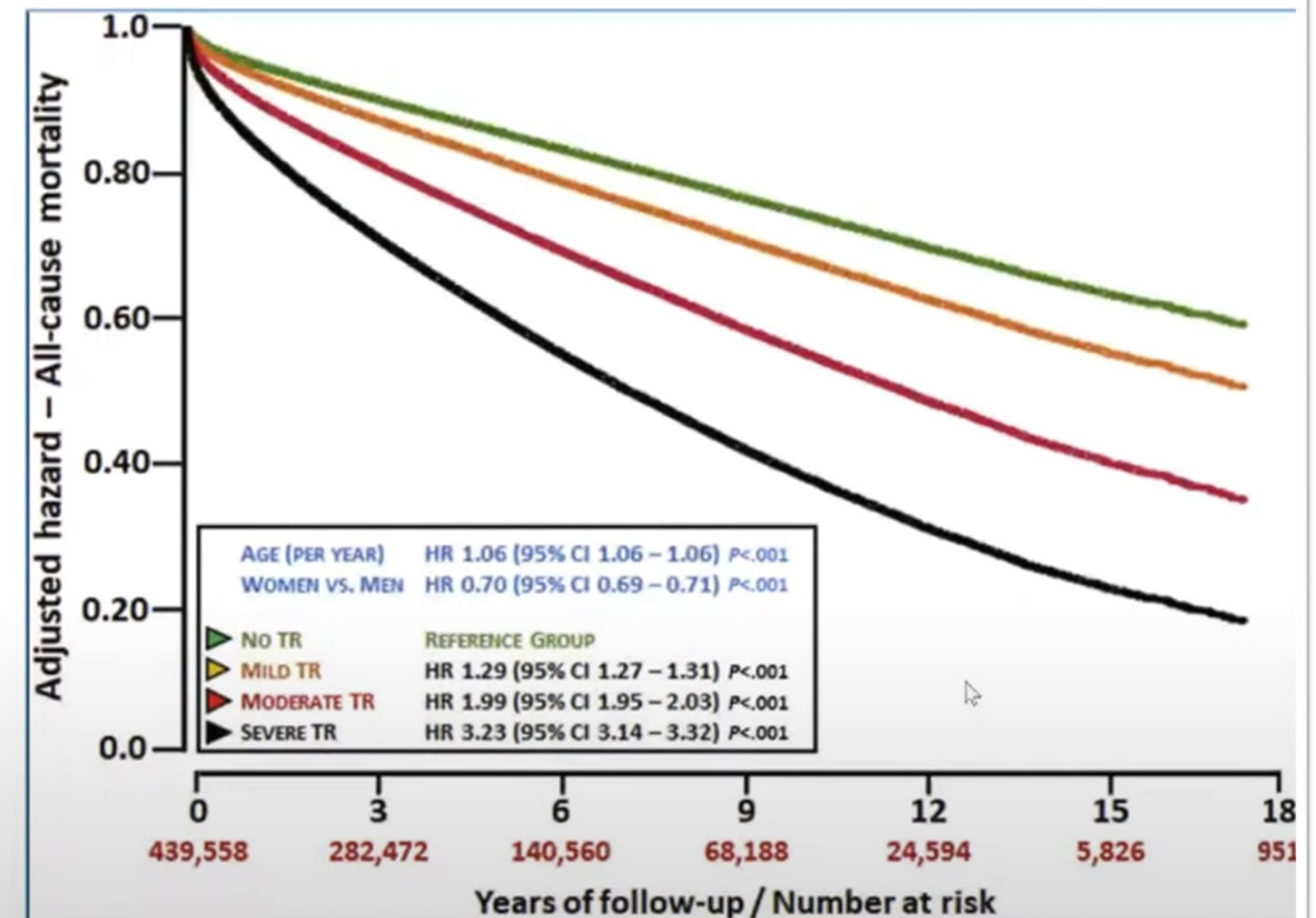
Number at risk:

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None/Trace	12345	10671	8063	5747	3627	1616
Mild	5554	4394	3281	2192	1277	610
Moderate	2157	1421	942	583	326	131
Severe	223	107	71	49	30	10

## Adverse Prognostic Impact of Even Mild or Moderate Tricuspid Regurgitation: Insights from the National Echocardiography Database of Australia

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- TR severity was analyzed in 439,558 adults (mean age, 62.1 ± 17.8 years; 51.5% men) from 2000 to 2019, by 25 centers contributing to the National Echocardiography Database of Australia.
- Long-term, all-cause mortality, according to TR severity and adjusted for age and sex.
  - Adjusted HR per grade increase in TR severity above None/Trace
    - **Mild: 1.29 (95% CI, 1.27–1.31; P < .001)**
    - **Moderate: 1.99 (95% CI, 1.95–2.03; P < .001)**
    - **Severe: 3.23 (95% CI, 3.14–3.32; P < .001)**



Even in the presence of other cardiac disease, increasing grades of TR are independently associated with increasing risks of cardiovascular and all-cause mortality

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# Risk Factors for the Development of Functional Tricuspid Regurgitation and Their Population-Attributable Fractions

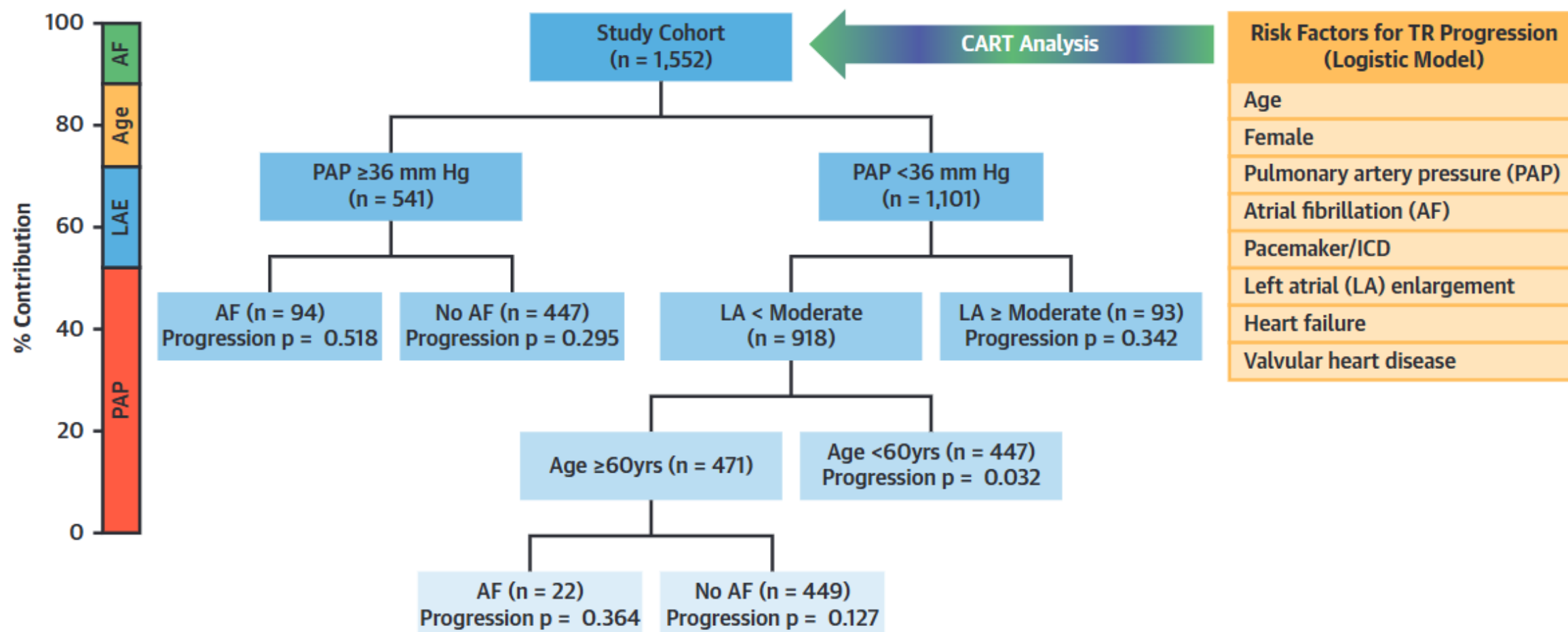


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## Strongest predictors of TR progression:

- **PAP > 36 mmHg**
- **LA enlargement**
- **Age > 60y**
- **Atrial fibrillation**

### CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION Decision-Tree Model for Predicting TR Progression



*In absence of these 4 risk factors , progression occurs in 3% of patients*

NEW RESEARCH PAPER

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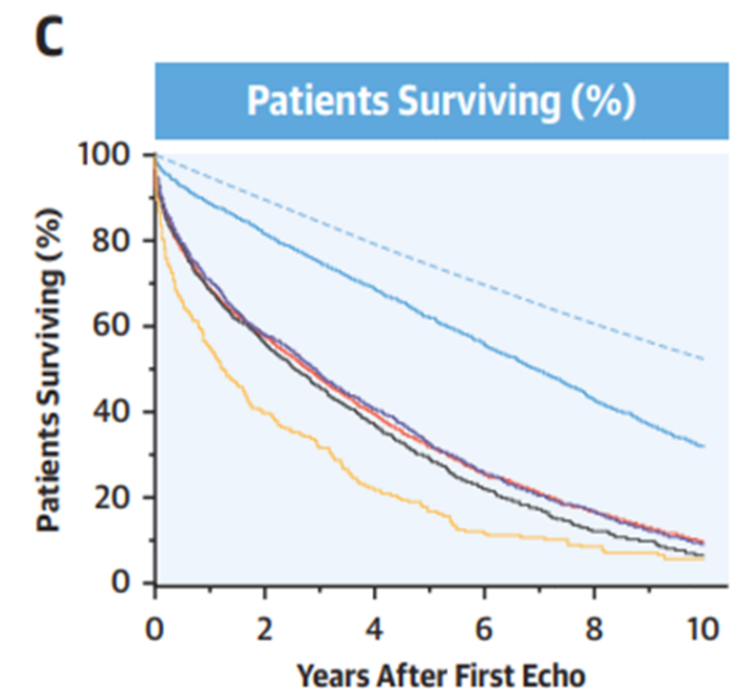
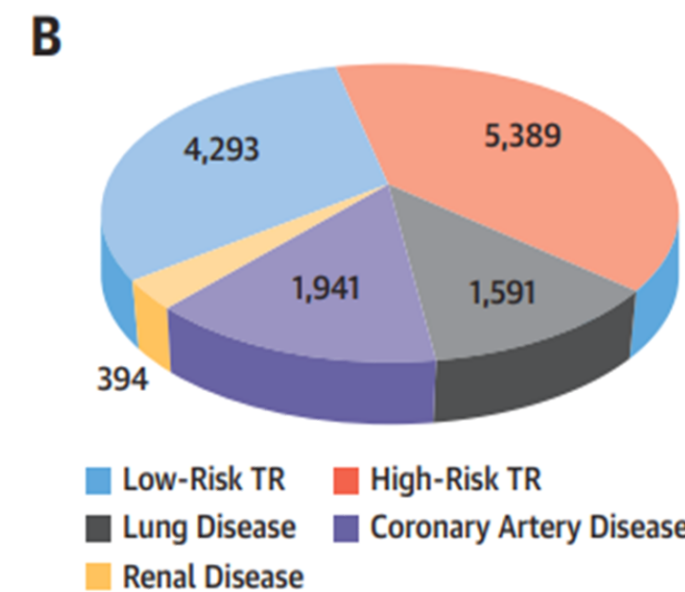
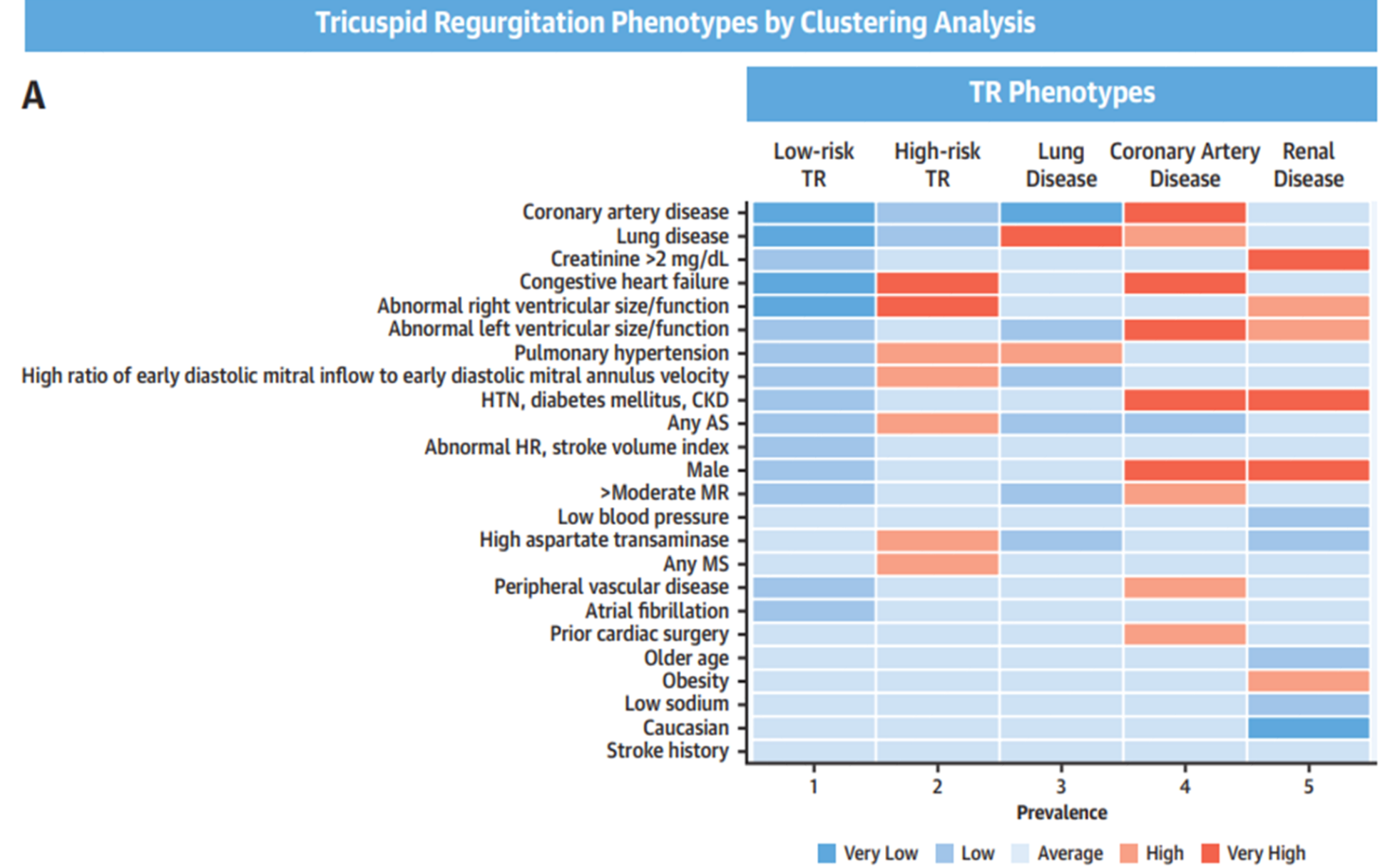
# The 5 Phenotypes of Tricuspid Regurgitation

## Insight From Cluster Analysis of Clinical and Echocardiographic Variables

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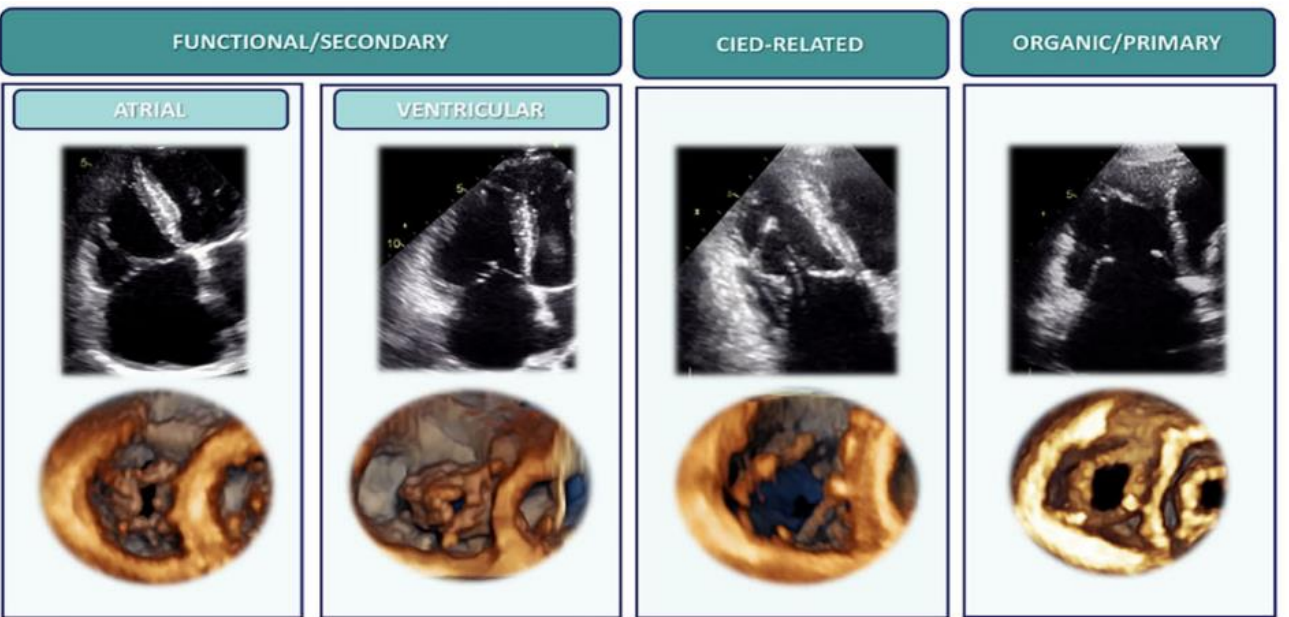


### CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION Tricuspid Regurgitation Phenotypes and Survival

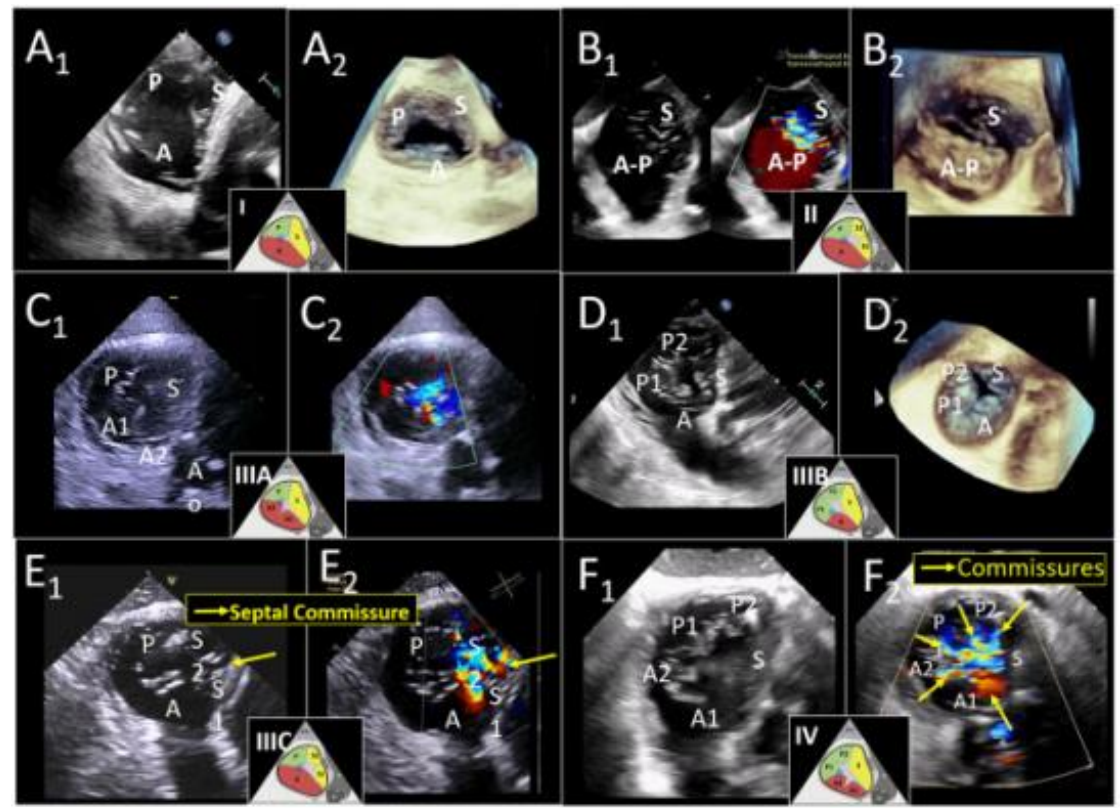


- 1. LOW RISK TR** (few comorbidities and lesser severity of TR)
- 2. HIGH RISK TR** (more severe TR, more comorbidities)
- 3. TR associated with ischemic disease**
- 4. TR associated with lung disease**
- 5. TR associated with chronic kidney disease**

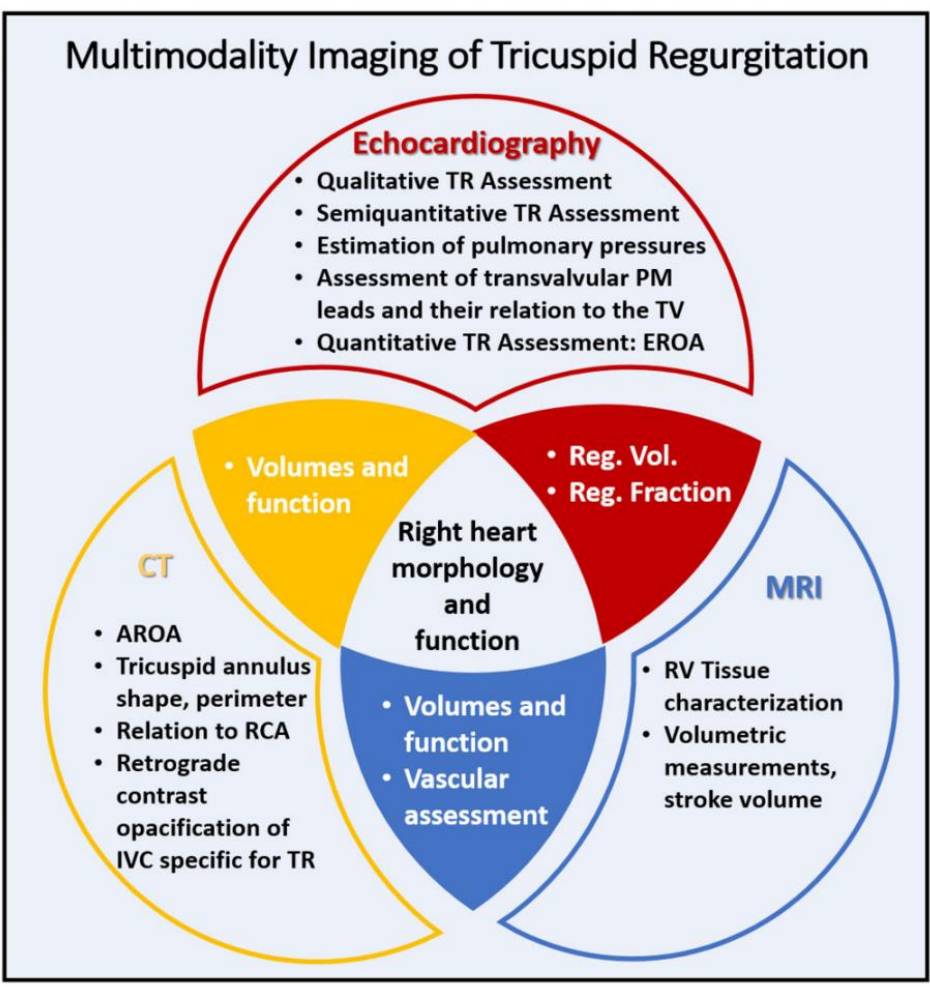




## NOVEL TR CLASSIFICATION



## NOVEL TL NOMENCLATURE



## NOVEL TV IMAGING APPROACH

Proximal Isovelocity Surface Area	Measurements Required	Example	Calculation
Proximal Isovelocity Surface Area (PISA)	Aliasing velocity ( $V_{Alias}$ ) Color Doppler with baseline shift in the direction of regurgitant jet  Radius of PISA (r)  TR peak velocity ( $V_{TR}$ ) CW of the TR jet  TR velocity time integral ( $TR_{VTI}$ ) CW of the TR jet		<b>PISA EROA:</b> $EROA = 2\pi r^2(V_{Alias}) \div V_{TR}$ <b>TR Regurgitation Volume =</b> $EROA \times TR_{VTI}$  $EROA = (6.282 \times 0.90 \times 28\text{cm/s}) \div 180 \text{cm/s}$ $= 0.88 \text{cm}^2$ $Reg \text{ Vol} = 2.01\text{cm}^2 \times 50.2\text{cm} = 100.9\text{ml}$

Quantitative Doppler	Measurements Required	Example	Calculation
2D Method	2D Diastolic TV Annular Area RV Inflow and 4Ch TV annular diameters in mid diastole  TV velocity time integral ( $TV_{VTI}$ ) PW Doppler sample volume at the annulus  TR velocity time integral ( $TR_{VTI}$ ) CW of the TR jet		<b>TV Diastolic Stroke Volume =</b> $TV_{Annular \text{ Area}} \times TV_{VTI}$ <b>TR Regurgitation Volume =</b> TV diastolic volume – Forward Stroke Volume <b>EROA =</b> $RegVol \div TR_{VTI}$ <b>Example:</b> • $TV \text{ Diastolic SV} = (0.785 \times 4.3\text{cm} \times 4.5\text{cm}) \times 10.9\text{cm} = 165.6\text{ml}$ • $TR \text{ Reg Vol} = 115.6\text{ml}$ • $EROA = 115.6 \text{ ml} \div 50.2\text{cm} = 2.30\text{cm}^2$
3D Method	Direct planimetry of the 3D Annular Area		<b>Example:</b> $3D \text{ Annular Area} = 14.8\text{cm}^2$ $TV \text{ Diastolic Area} = 14.8 \times 10.9\text{cm} = 161.3\text{ml}$ $TR \text{ Reg Vol} = 111.3\text{ml}$ $EROA = 111.3 \div 50.2\text{cm} = 2.22\text{cm}^2$
Forward Stroke Volume used to quantify RegVol	LVOT Stroke Volume LVOT Diameter LVOT PW  Note: Forward Stroke Volume may be either the LV or RV stroke volume.		<b>Forward Stroke Volume =</b> $LVOT_{\text{annular Area}} \times LVOT_{VTI}$ <b>Example:</b> $LV \text{ SV} = (0.785 \times [2.1\text{cm}]^2) \times 14.5\text{cm} = 50.2\text{ml}$

3D Color Doppler	Measurements Required	Example	Calculation
3D Vena Contracta Area (VCA)	3D Color Doppler planimetry of the VCA  TR velocity time integral ( $TR_{VTI}$ )		<b>EROA <math>\cong</math> VCA</b> <b>TR Regurgitation Volume =</b> $VCA \times TR_{VTI}$ <b>Example:</b> $3D \text{ VCA} = 2.01\text{cm}^2$ $Reg \text{ Vol} = 2.01\text{cm}^2 \times 50.2\text{cm} = 100.9\text{ml}$

## NOVEL TR QUANTIFICATION

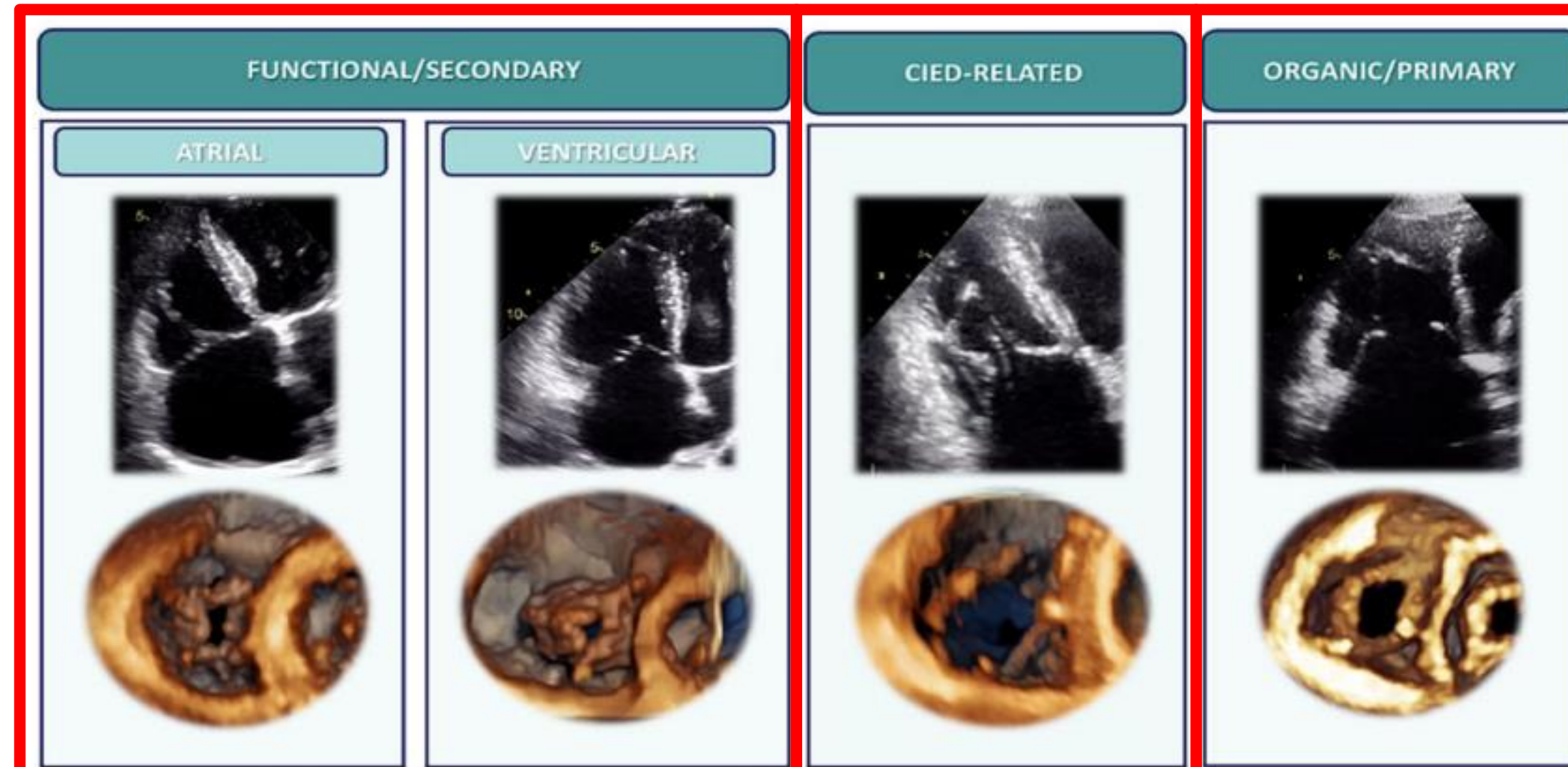
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**REVIEW**

### Tricuspid regurgitation: recent advances in understanding pathophysiology, severity grading and outcome

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# First question: what kind of mechanism are we dealing with?



Parameter	Atrial FTR	Ventricular FTR	CIED-Related	Primary TR	
				Prolapse (I)	RHD (IIIA)
Leaflet Tethering	-	+++	++	-	-
Leaflet Restriction	-	Systole	Systole/Diastole	-	Diastole
RA/TA Dilatation	+++	++	+/-	++	++
RV Dilatation	+/-	+++	+/-	+/-	+/-
RV Dysfunction	+/-	+++	+/-	+/-	+/-

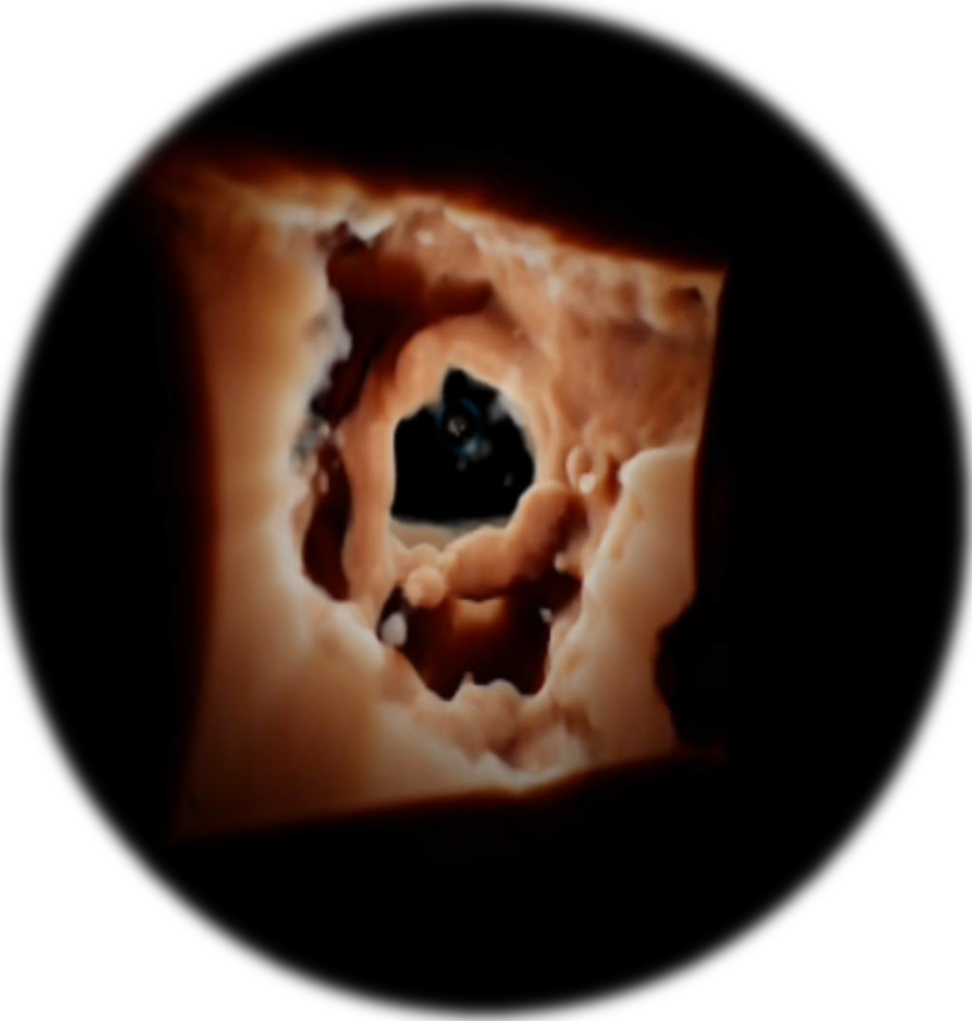
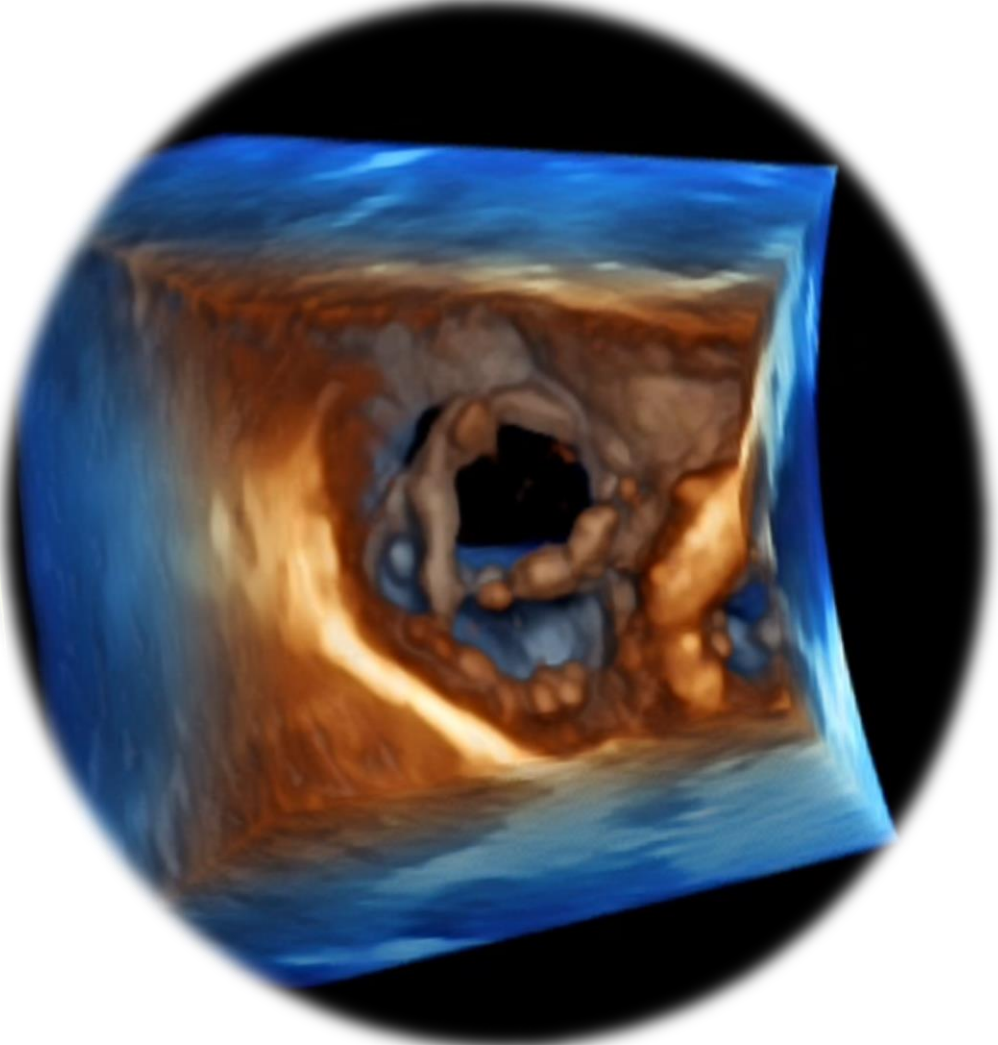
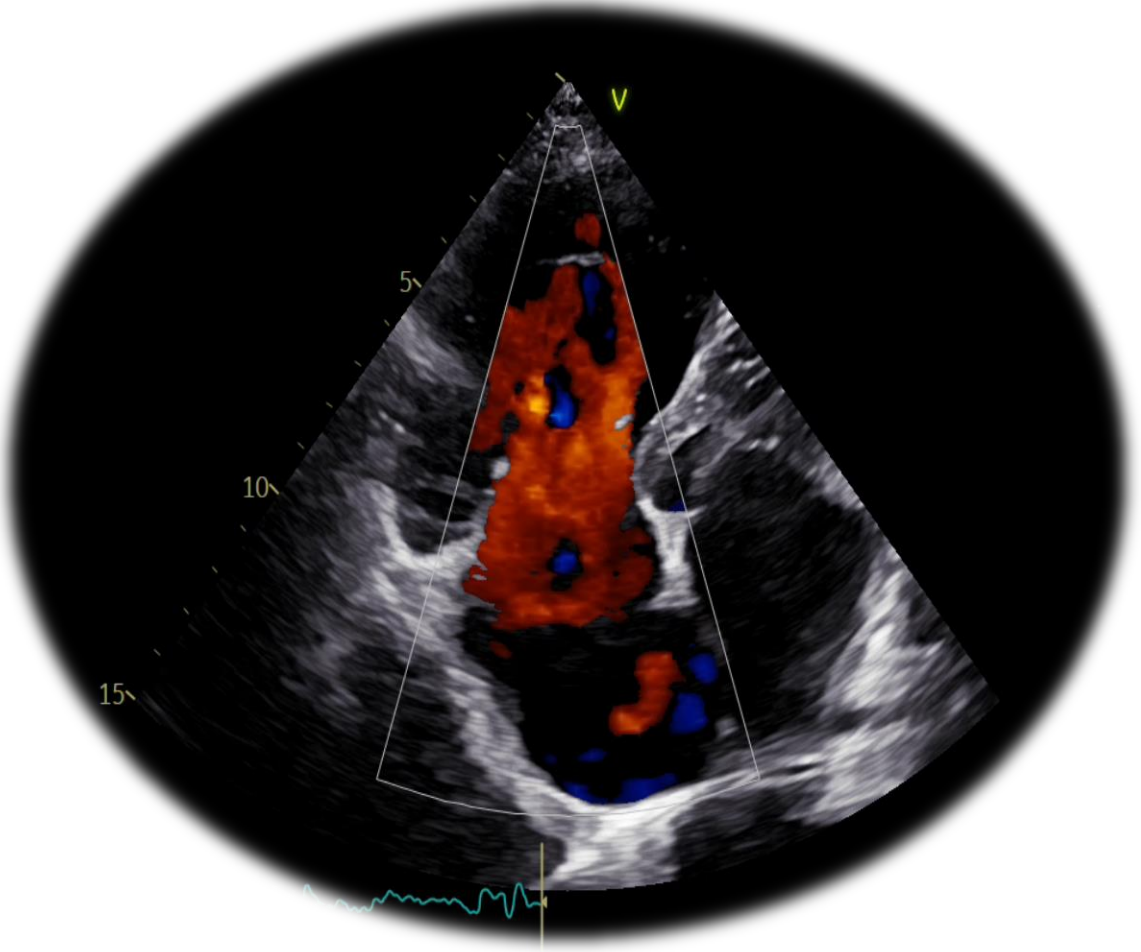
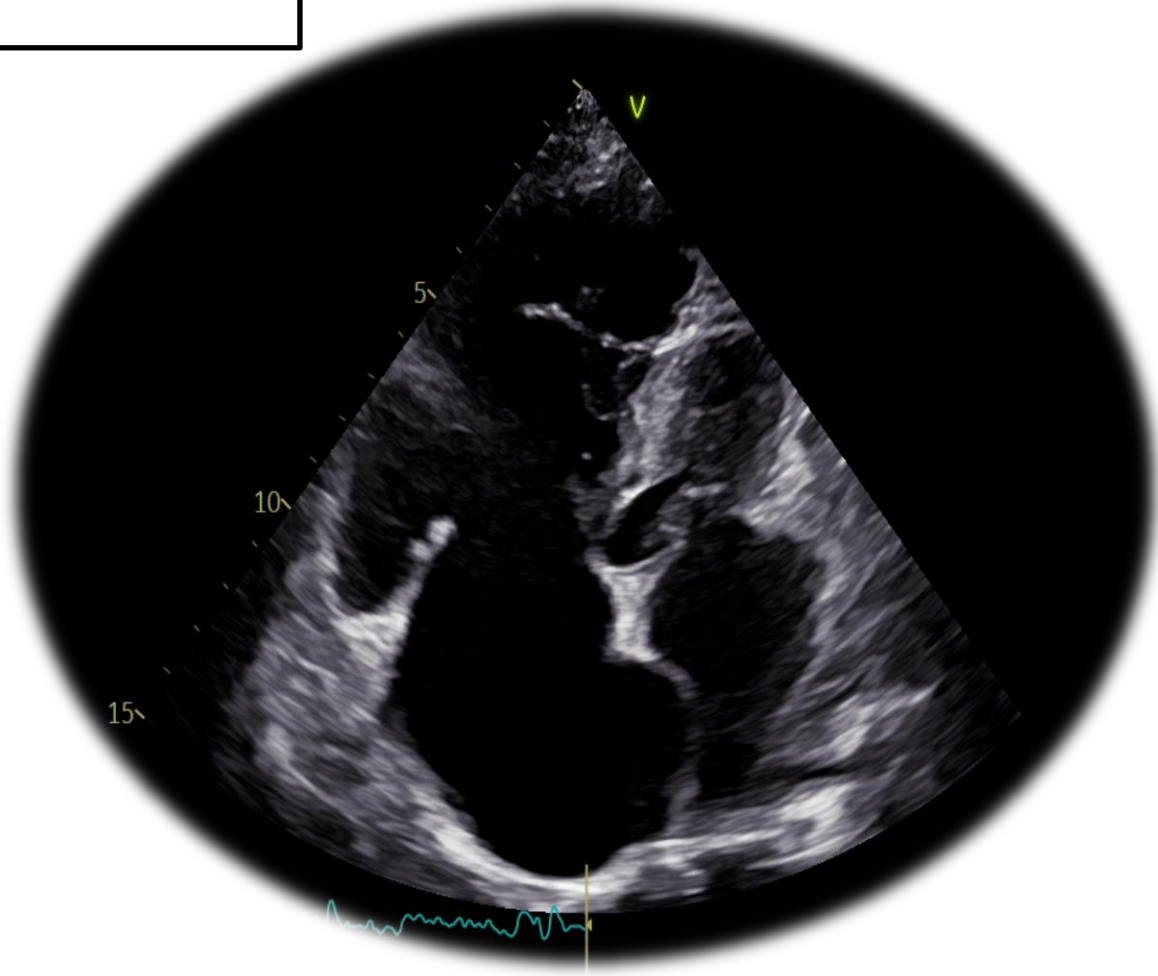
**Structural abnormality of the tricuspid valve apparatus**  
**Primary TR: ~10-15% of patients**

ORGANIC/PRIMARY



**Primary TR**

Prolapse (I) RHD (IIIA)

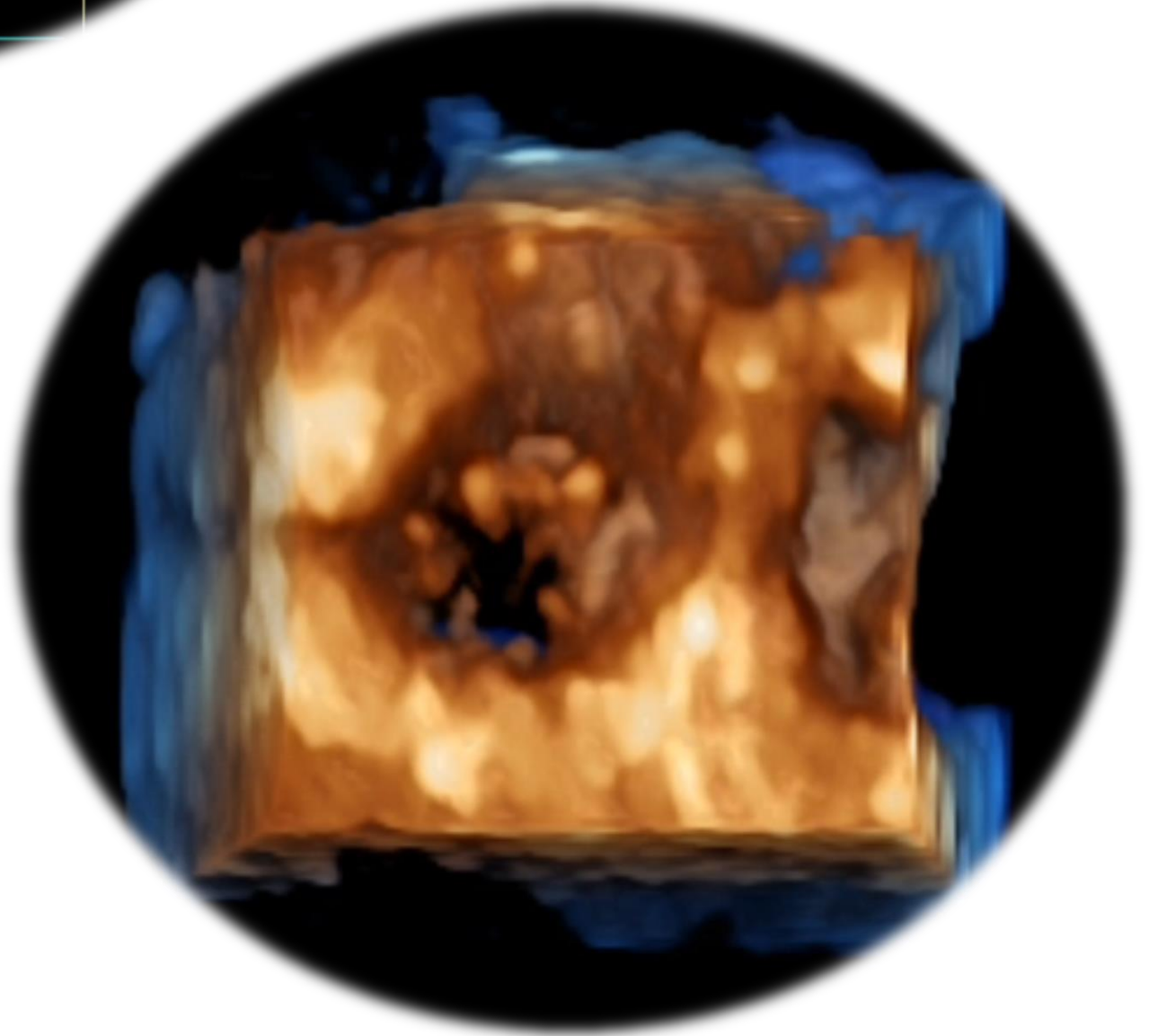
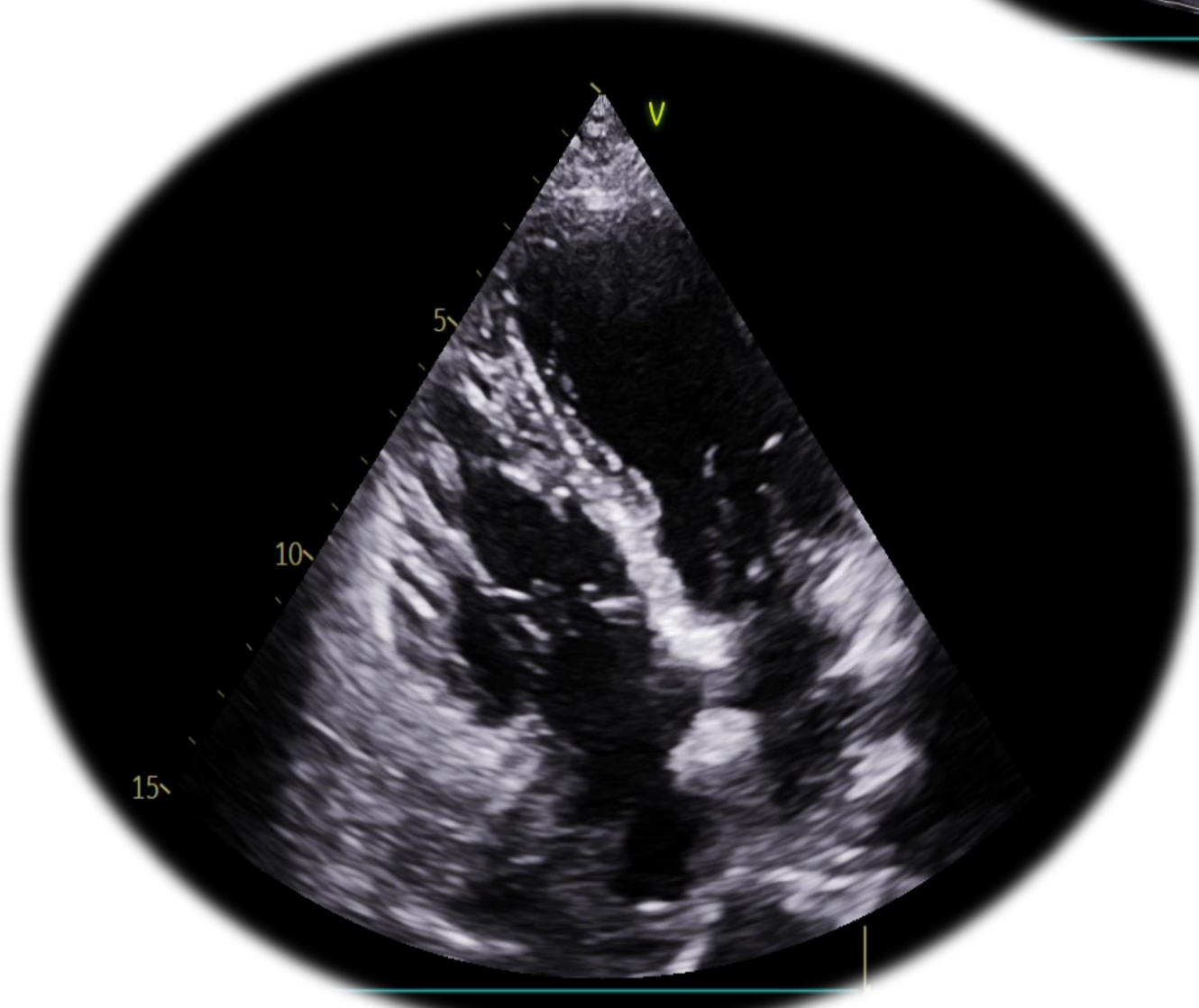
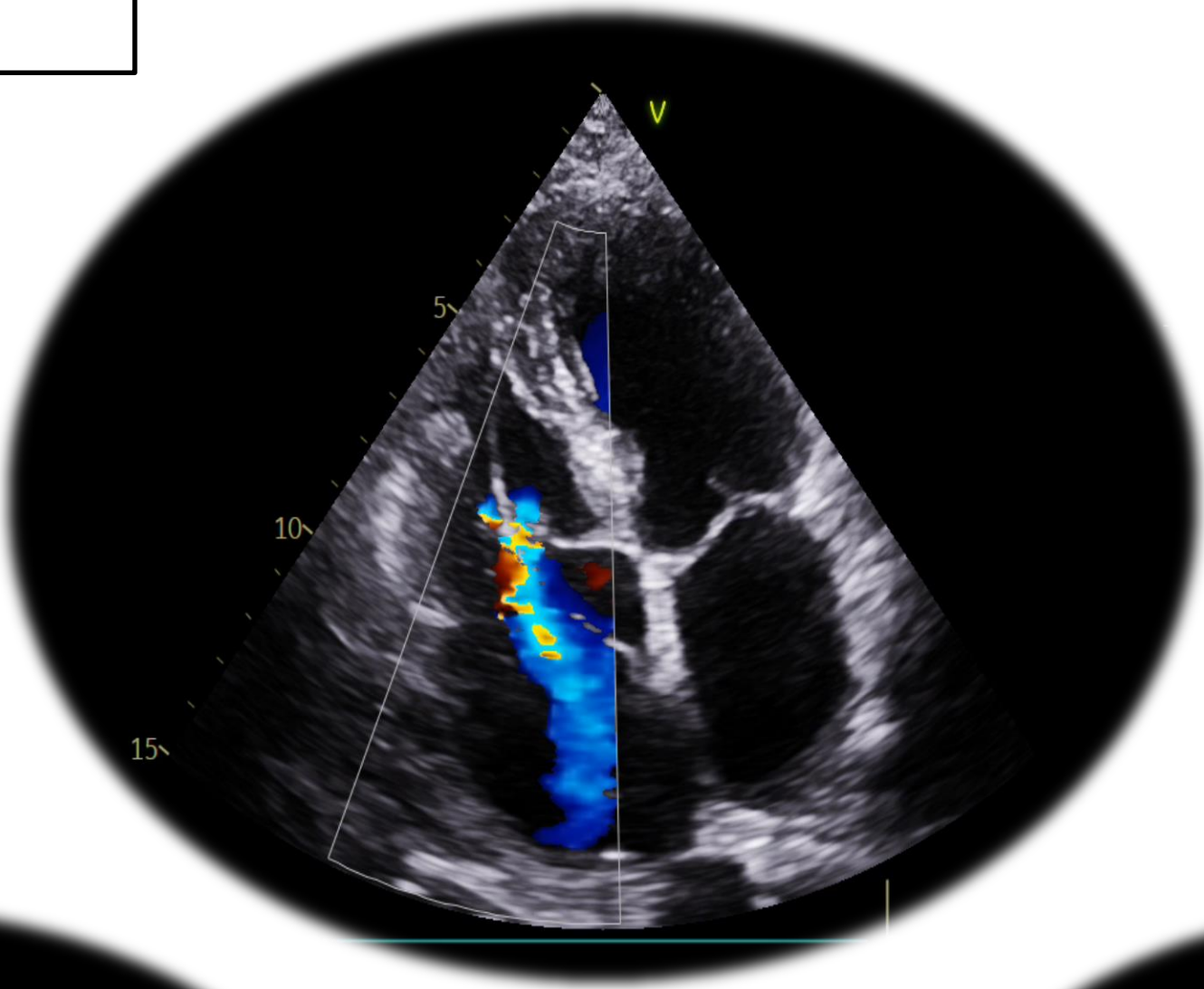


**Cardiac implantable electronic device (CIED) induced TR  
(~ 5% of patients)**

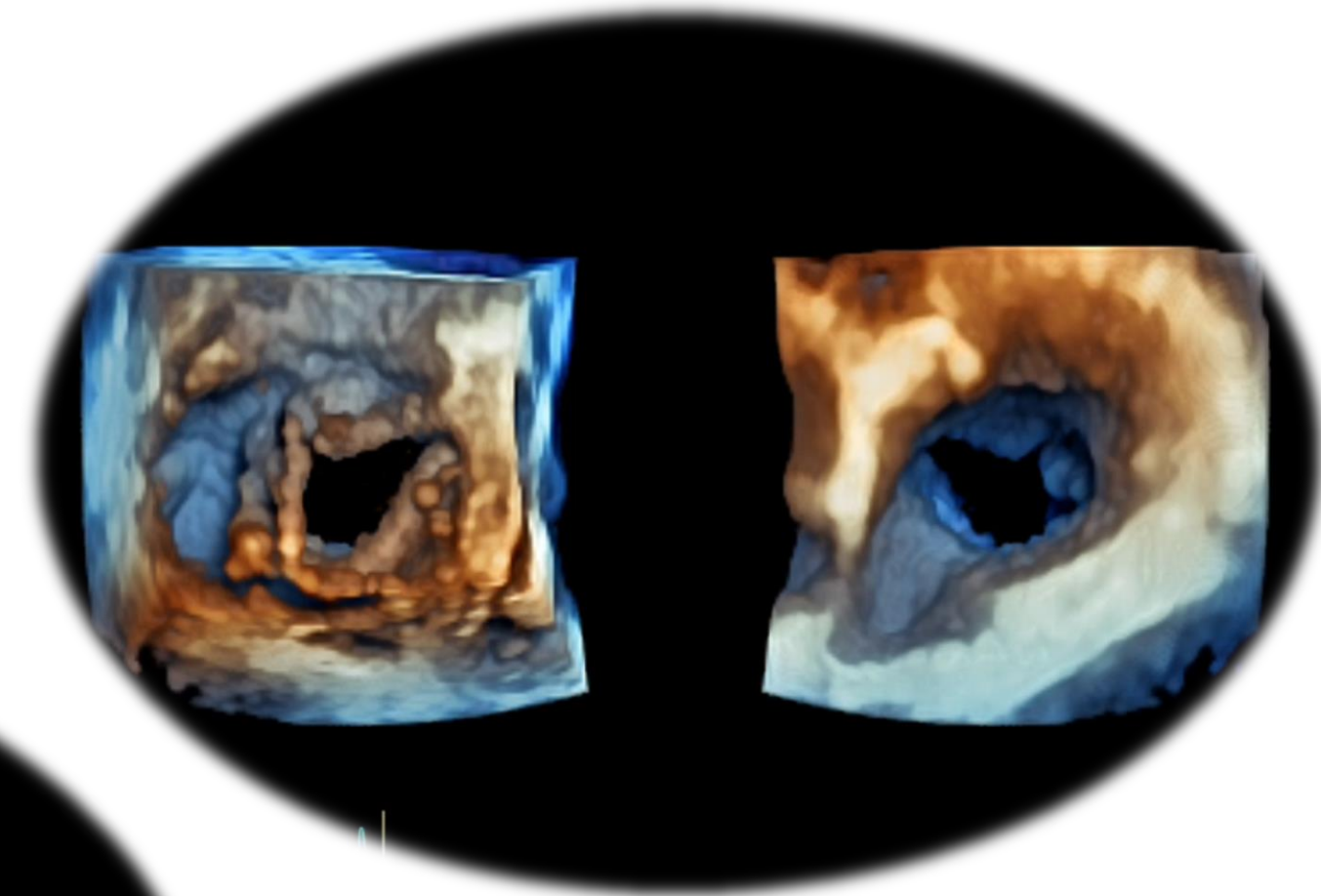
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CIED-Related

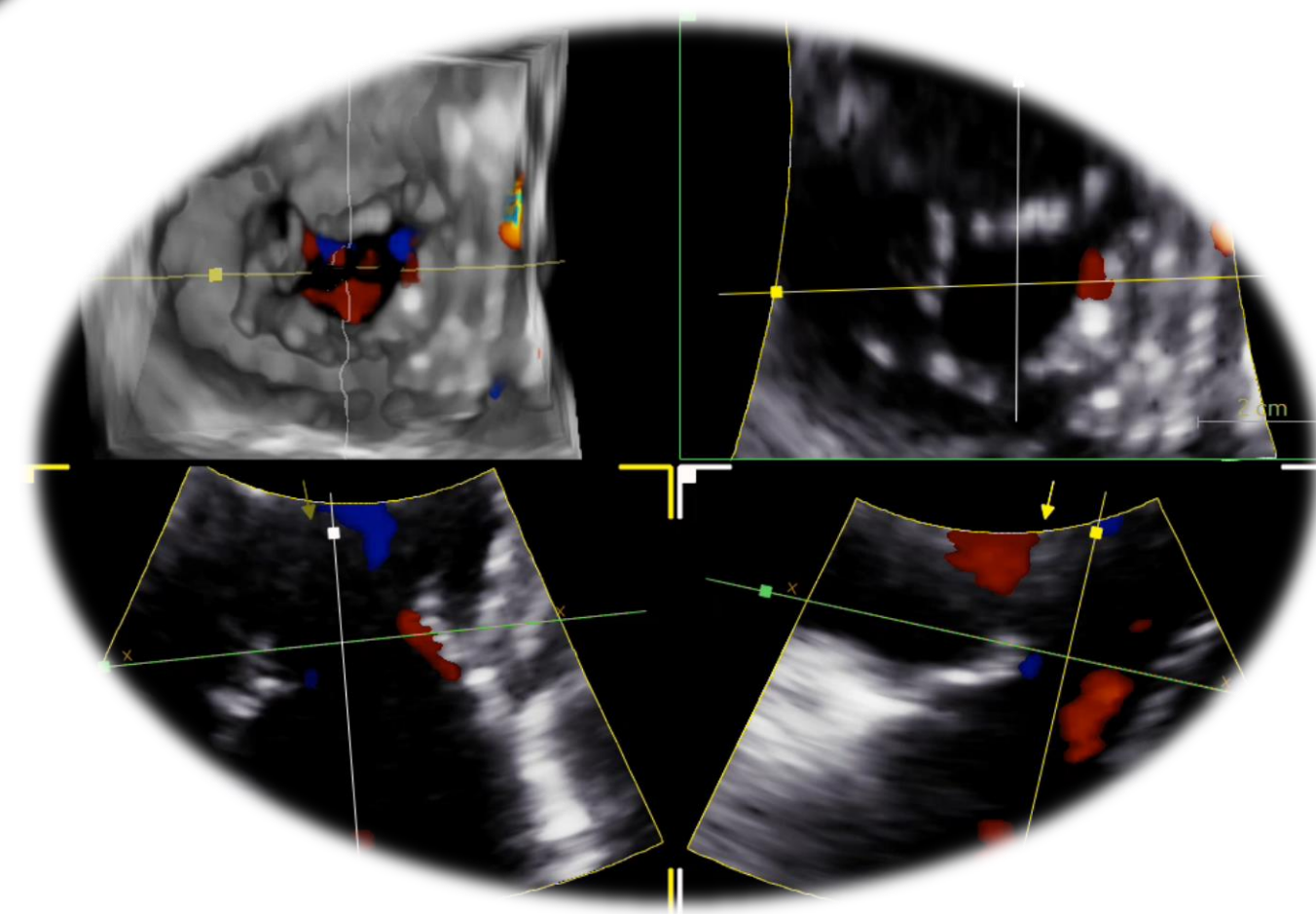
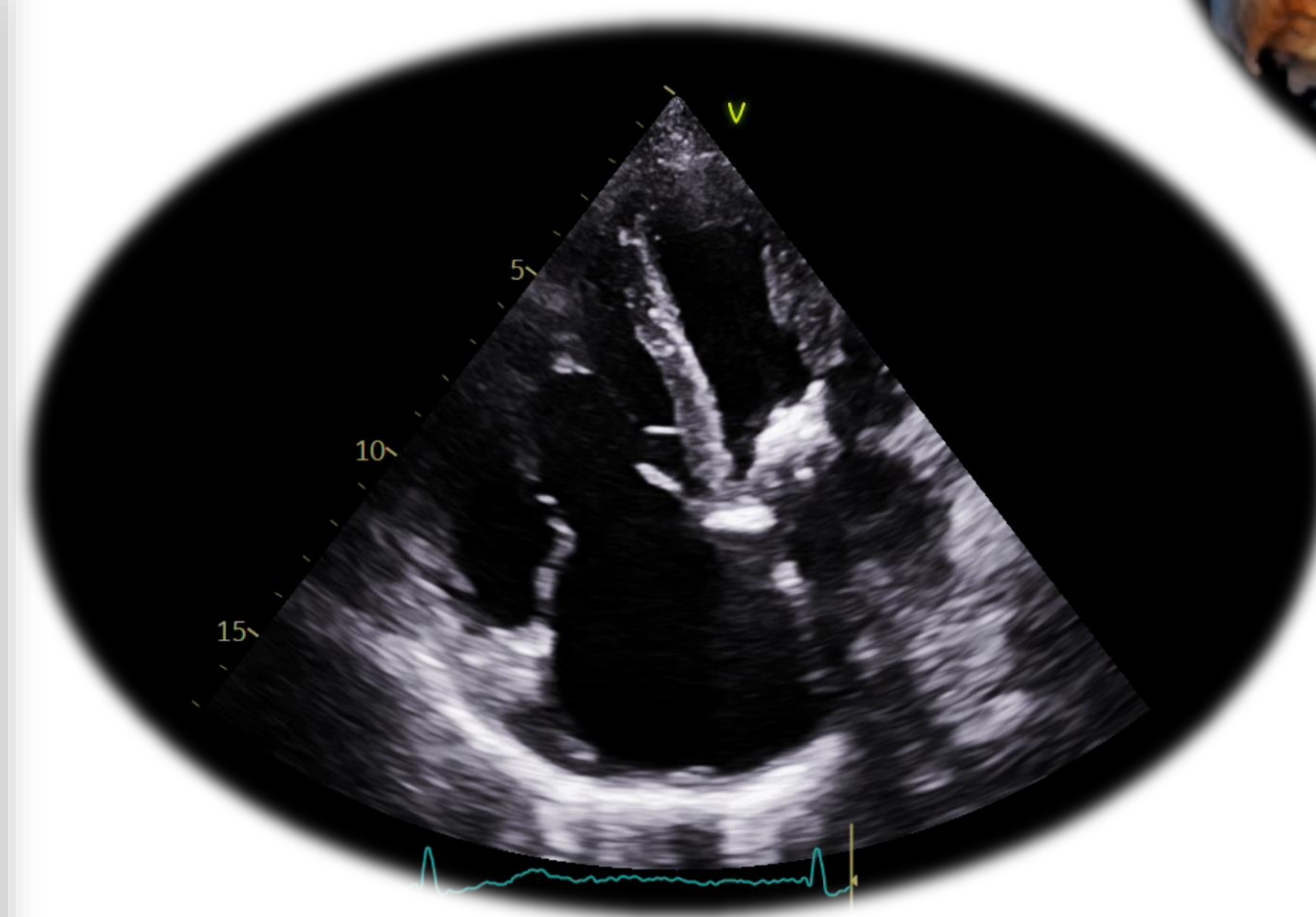


**Morphological normal leaflets with annular dilatation and/or leaflet tethering.  
Functional TR: ~ 80% of patients**



**FUNCTIONAL/SECONDARY**

ATRIAL	VENTRICULAR



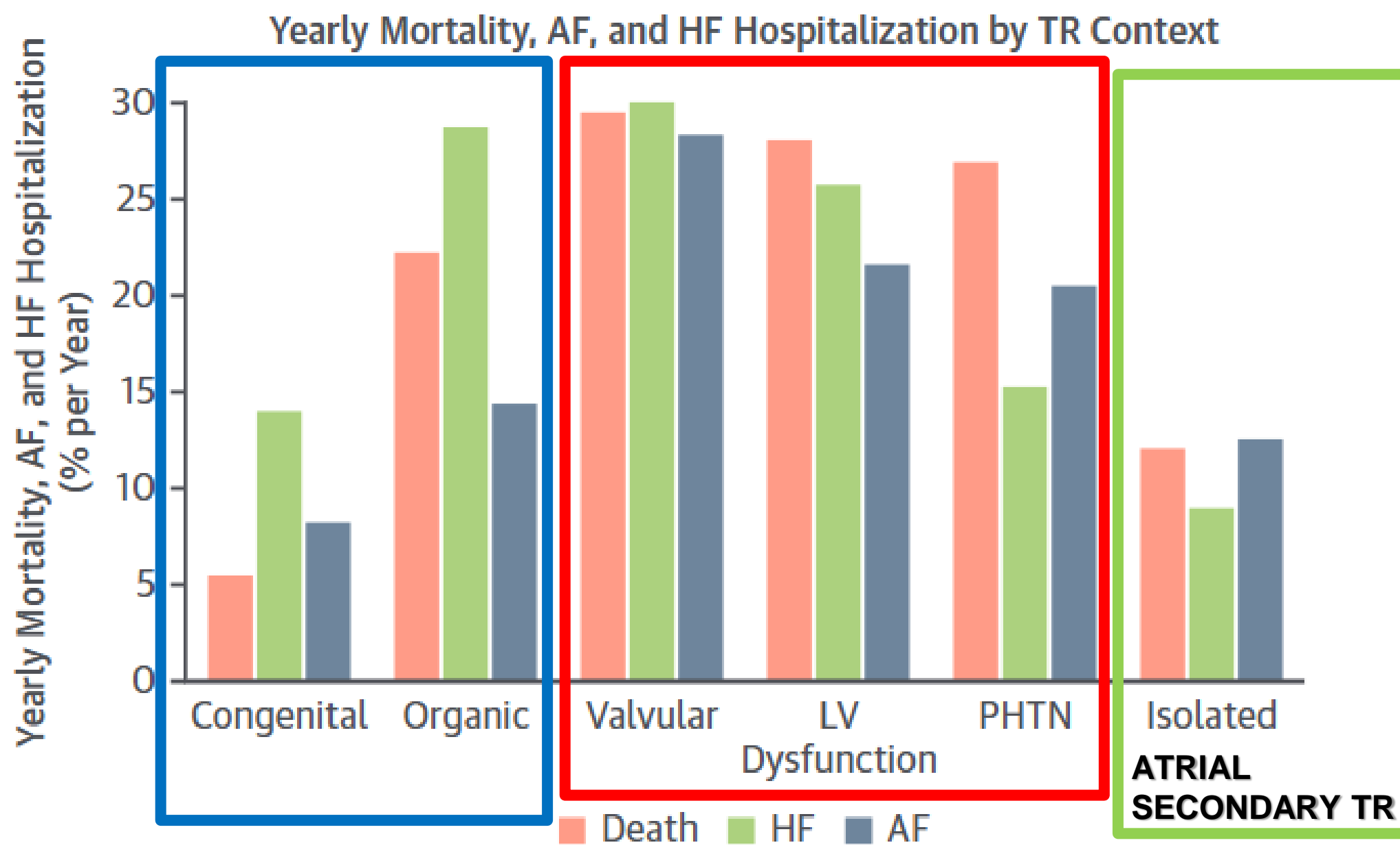
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# Burden of Tricuspid Regurgitation in Patients Diagnosed in the Community Setting

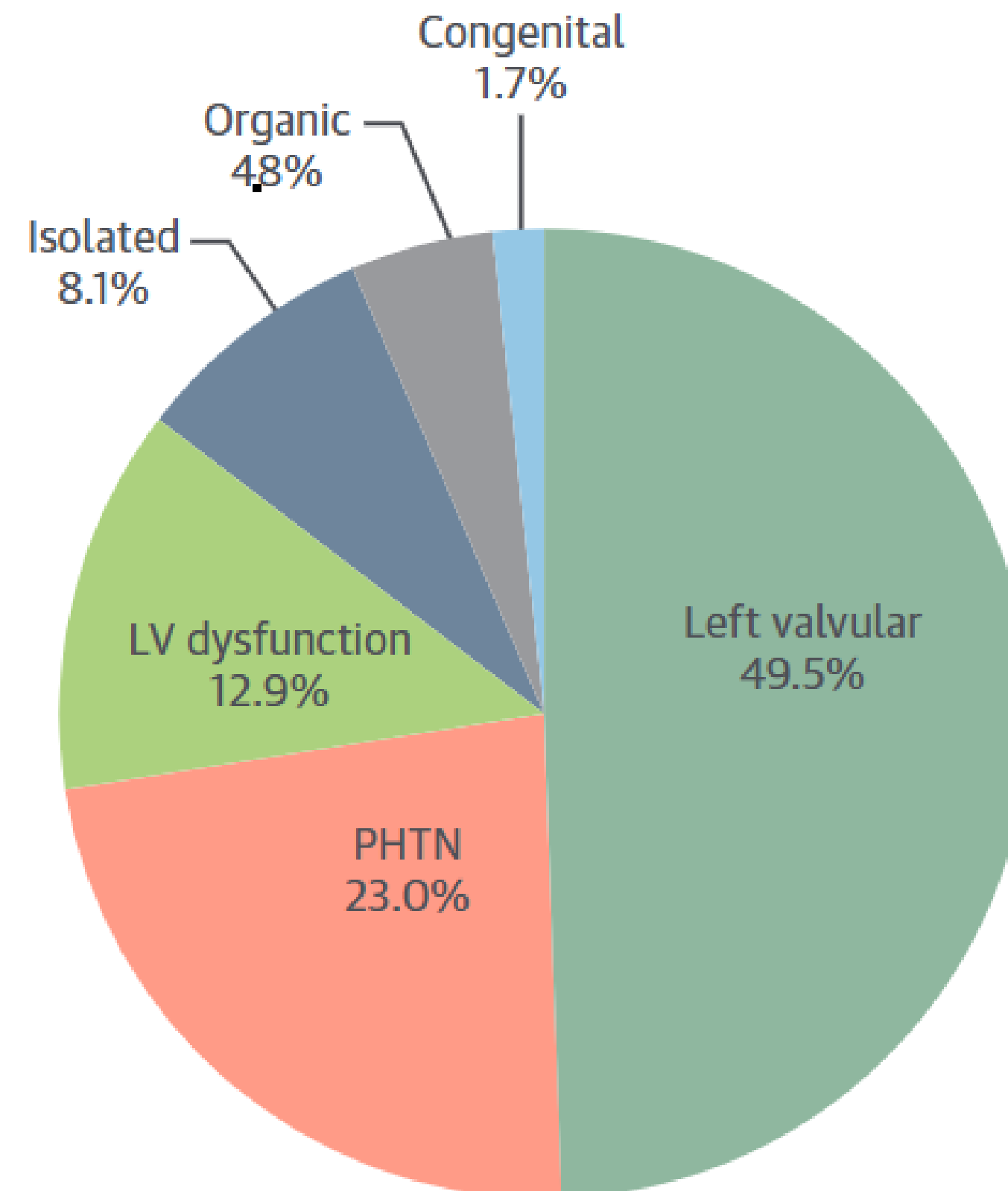


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**FIGURE 4** Linearized Yearly Mortality by TR Clinical Context



**FIGURE 3** Distribution Patterns of TR in the Community



The atrial secondary tricuspid regurgitation is associated to more favorable outcome than the ventricular phenotype

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• **A-STR Criteria (ACC/AHA Guidelines):**

- **Atrial fibrillation**
- **Left ventricular ejection fraction > 60%,**
- **Pulmonary artery systolic pressure (PASP) < 50 mmhg,**
- **No left-sided valve disease,**
- **Normal appearing tricuspid valve leaflets.**

- There was a 2.15-fold significantly higher risk of 1-year endpoint (death and HFH) for V-STR

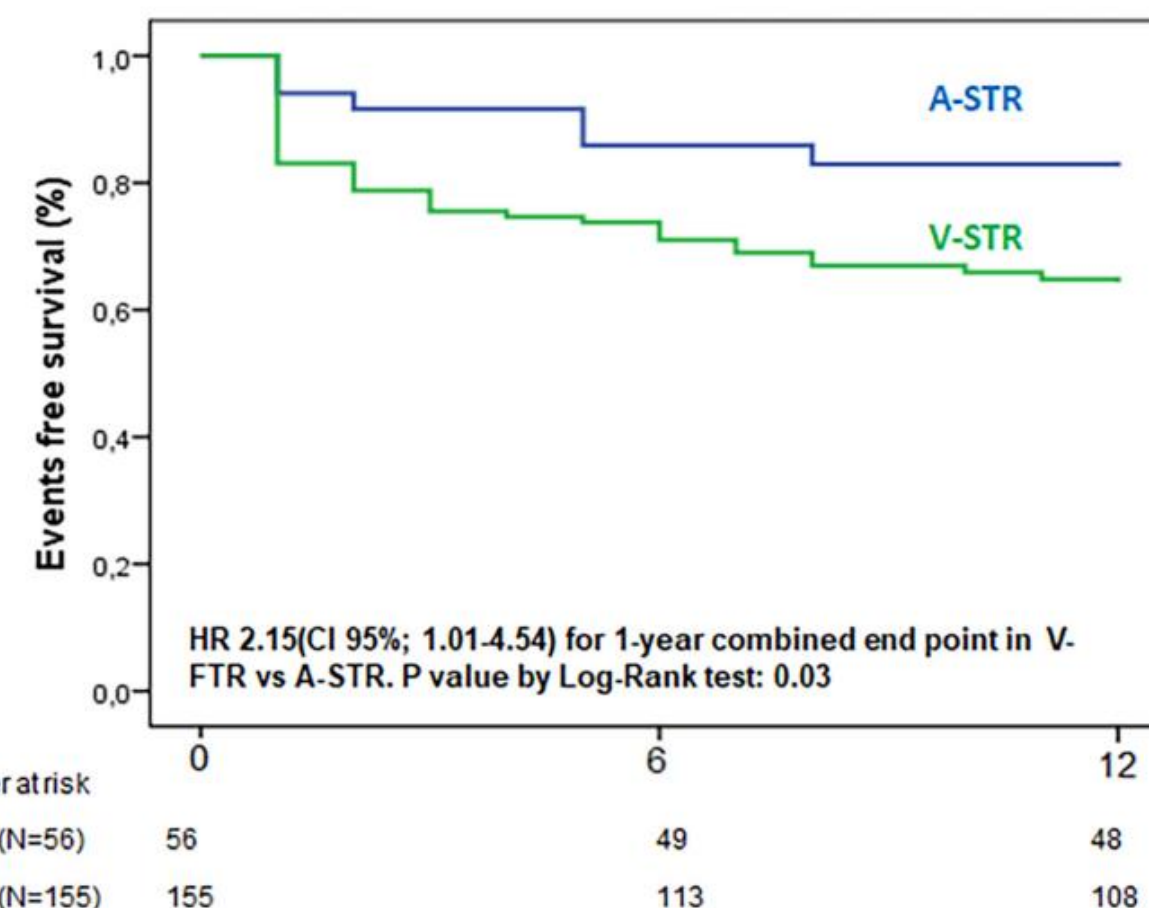


FIGURE 3

Kaplan-Meier curves for 1 year combined endpoint of all-cause death and hospitalization for heart failure. A-STR, atrial-secondary tricuspid regurgitation; HR, hazard Ratio; V-STR, ventricular secondary tricuspid regurgitation.

• **A-STR**

- **TR severity (HR: 5.8, CI 95%: 1.4–25)**

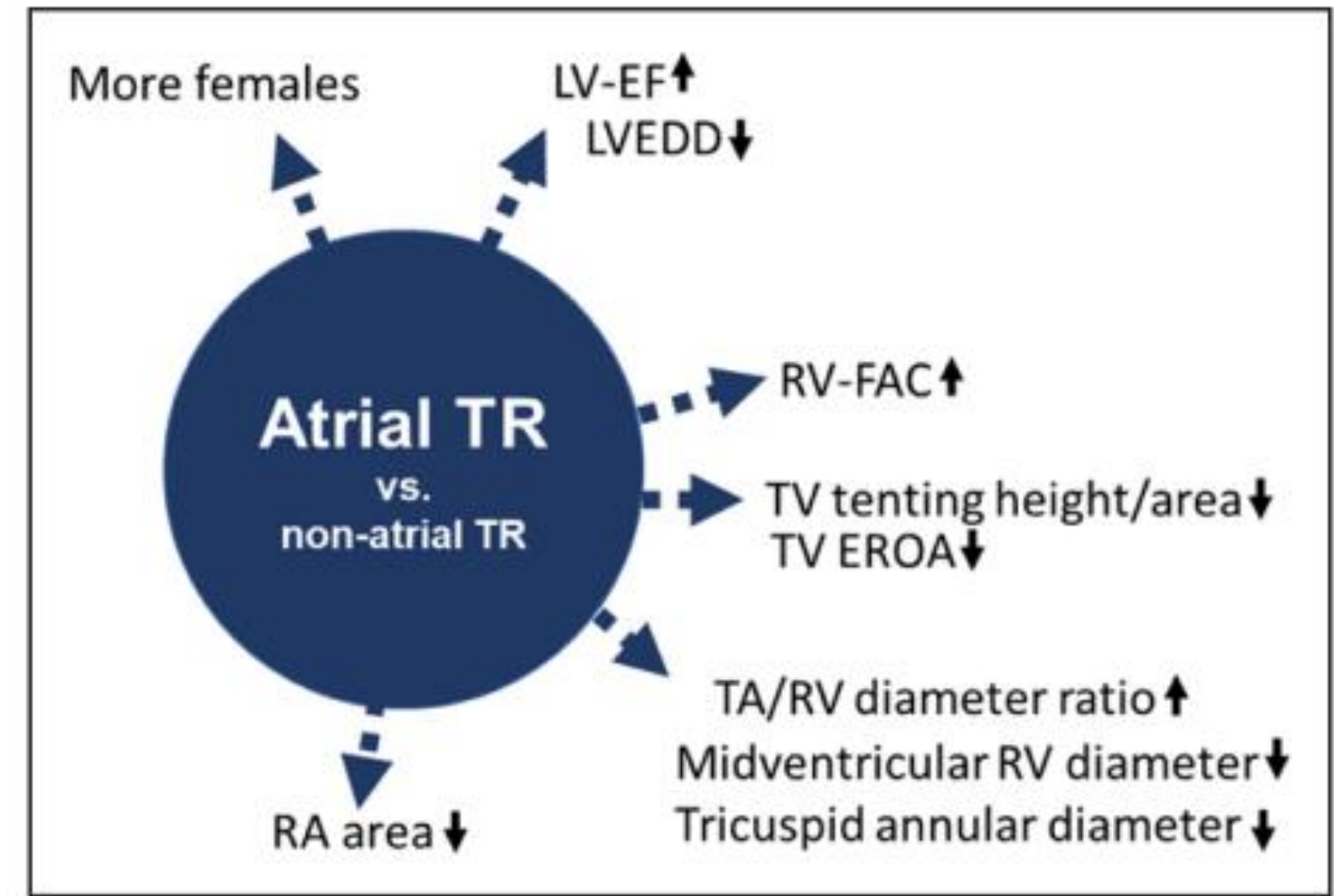
• **V-STR**

- **TR severity (HR 2.9, CI 95% 1.4–6.3)**
- **RVEF (HR: 0.97, CI 95%: 0.94–0.99),**
- **RVFWLS (HR: 0.93, CI 95%: 0.85–0.98)**

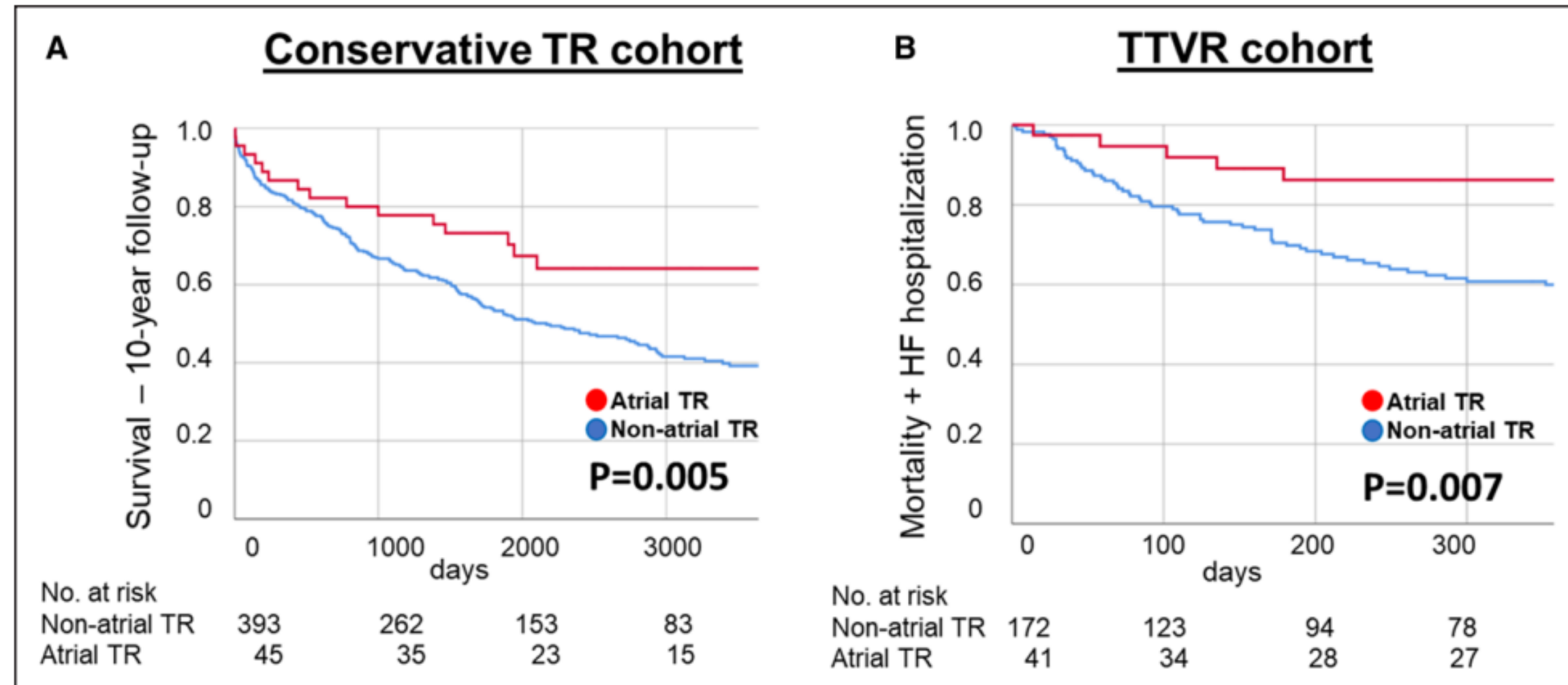
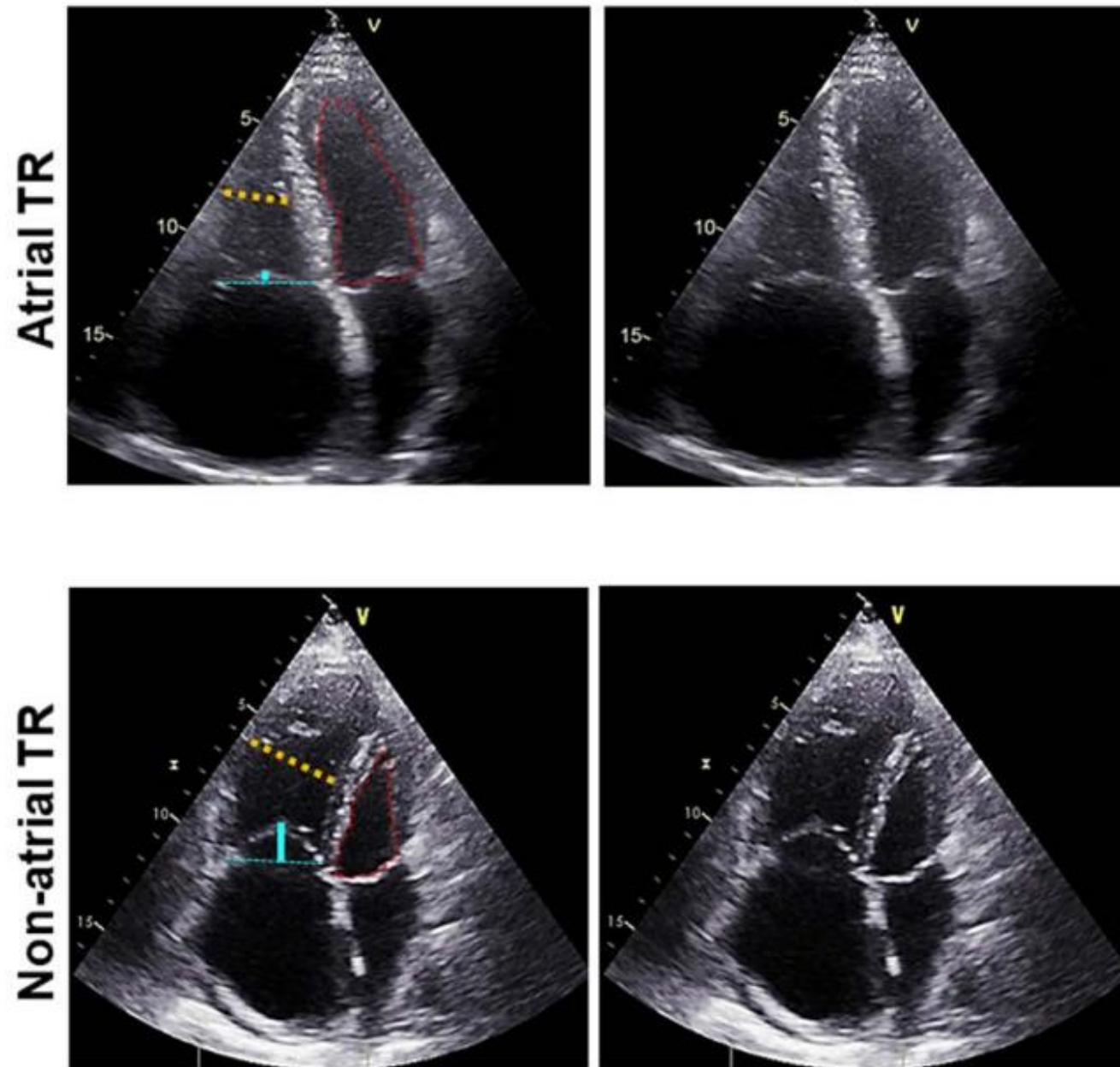
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# Atrial Functional Tricuspid Regurgitation: Novel Definition and Impact on Prognosis

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**Atrial TR:** tenting height  $\leq 10$  mm and RV midventricular diameter  $\leq 38$  mm and LV-EF  $\geq 50\%$   
**Non-atrial TR:** all others with reported tenting height and RV midventricular diameter and LV-EF






# Second question: how severe is the TR?

**Table 15** Grading the severity of TR

TR Severity classes	Mild	Moderate	Severe
<b>Qualitative parameters</b>			
Tricuspid valve morphology	Normal or mildly abnormal leaflets	Moderately abnormal leaflets	Severe valve lesions/ <b>flail/large coaptation defect/severe tenting</b>
Colour flow TR jet <sup>a</sup>	Small, narrow, central	Moderate central	<b>Large central jet</b> or eccentric wall impinging jet of variable size
Flow convergence zone	Not visible, transient or small	Intermediate in size and duration	<b>Large throughout systole</b>
CW signal of TR jet	Faint/partial/parabolic	Dense/parabolic, or triangular	<b>Dense/often triangular with early peaking</b> (peak <2 m/s in massive TR)
<b>Semi-quantitative parameters</b>			
Hepatic vein flow <sup>b</sup>	Systolic dominance	Systolic blunting	<b>Systolic flow reversal</b>
Tricuspid inflow	A-wave dominant	Variable	E wave dominant ( $\geq 1$ m/s) <sup>e</sup>
PISA radius (mm) <sup>c</sup>	$\leq 5$	6-9	<b>&gt;9</b>
VC width (mm) <sup>a,d</sup>	<3	3-6.9	<b>&gt;7</b>
3D VC area or quantitative Doppler EROA (mm <sup>2</sup> )			75-94
<b>Quantitative parameters</b>			
EROA (mm <sup>2</sup> )	<20	20-39	$\geq 40$
R Vol (mL)	<30	30-44	$\geq 45$
RF (%)	$\leq 15$	16-49	$\geq 50$
<b>CMR parameters</b>			
RF (%)	$\leq 15$	16-49	$\geq 50$
<b>Structural parameters</b>			
RV, RA, IVC size <sup>e</sup>	Usually normal	Normal of mild dilation	Usually dilated

## Multi-modality imaging assessment of native valvular regurgitation: an EACVI and ESC council of valvular heart disease position paper

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# The need for a new tricuspid regurgitation grading scheme

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**Table 1** Proposed expansion of the ‘Severe’ grade

Variable	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Massive	Torrential
VC (biplane)	<3 mm	3–6.9 mm	7–13 mm	14–20 mm	≥21 mm
EROA (PISA)	<20 mm <sup>2</sup>	20–39 mm <sup>2</sup>	40–59 mm <sup>2</sup>	60–79 mm <sup>2</sup>	≥80 mm <sup>2</sup>
3D VCA or quantitative EROA <sup>a</sup>			75–94 mm <sup>2</sup>	95–114 mm <sup>2</sup>	≥115 mm <sup>2</sup>

VC, vena contracta; EROA, effective regurgitant orifice area; 3D VCA, three-dimensional vena contracta area.

<sup>a</sup>3D VCA and quantitative Doppler EROA cut-offs may be larger than PISA EROA.

## 2021 ESC/EACTS Guidelines for the management of valvular heart disease

Developed by the Task Force for the management of valvular heart disease of the European Society of Cardiology (ESC) and the European Association for Cardio-Thoracic Surgery (EACTS)

Echocardiographic evaluation of tricuspid regurgitation severity is based on an integrative approach considering multiple qualitative and quantitative parameters (*Table 9*). Due to the non-circular and non-planar shape of the regurgitant orifice, biplane vena contracta width should be considered in addition to the conventional 2D measurement.<sup>402</sup> Similarly, underestimation of tricuspid regurgitation severity by the PISA method may occur.<sup>403</sup> In case of inconsistent findings, the 3D vena contracta area may be evaluated, although diverging cut-offs have been reported.<sup>402,404–406</sup> Recently, a new grading scheme including two additional grades ('massive' and 'torrential') has been proposed<sup>407</sup> and used in clinical studies on transcatheter interventions.<sup>408,409</sup> Studies showed an incremental prognostic value of the two additional grades (massive and torrential) in terms of mortality and rehospitalization for heart failure in patients with advanced disease.<sup>410–412</sup>

## Multi-modality imaging assessment of native valvular regurgitation: an EACVI and ESC council of valvular heart disease position paper

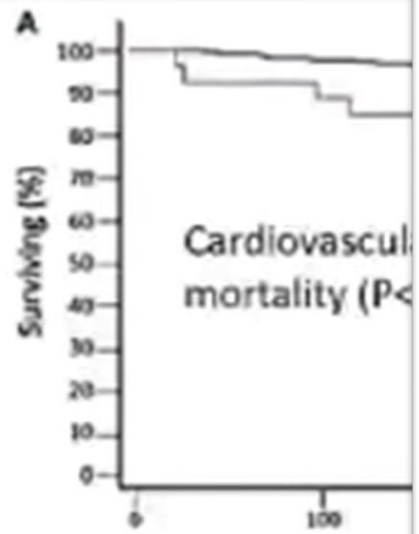
**Key point: When feasible, the PISA method is the best to quantify the TR severity. A TR PISA radius >9 mm at a Nyquist limit of 28 cm/s indicates severe TR. An EROA  $\geq 40$  mm<sup>2</sup> and/or a R Vol  $\geq 45$  mL indicates severe TR. When severe, TR can be subcategorized into severe, massive and torrential, which is of clinical interest in patients referred for transcatheter intervention.**

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## Vena Contracta Average

### Mid-term outcome of severe tricuspid regurgitation: are they different according to mechanism?

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### Patients with ≥Severe TR (ERO > 0.4 cm<sup>2</sup>)

- ERO negatively impacted survival, even when including only the subgroup of patients with severe TR [HR 1.5 (1.01–2.33), P = .045]
- The risk of death increases exponentially with ERO > 0.7 cm<sup>2</sup>.
  - The optimal threshold to separate between severe vs. 'torrential' TR is 0.7 cm<sup>2</sup> [P = 0.005, HR = 2.0 (1.1–3.7), P = .02]

NOTE: Hahn Scheme cutoffs: Massive = 0.6 cm<sup>2</sup> and Torrential = 0.7 cm<sup>2</sup>

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## Vena Contracta Average Diameter

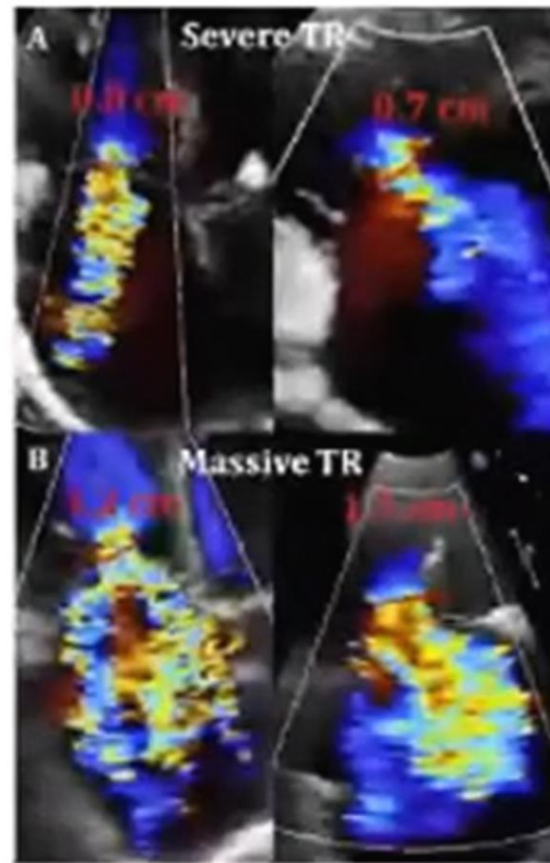


Figure 2 Example of patients in the (A) severe TR (VC average = 0.75 cm) and (B) massive TR (VC = 1.25 cm) groups with color Doppler in the apical four-chamber and RV inflow views.

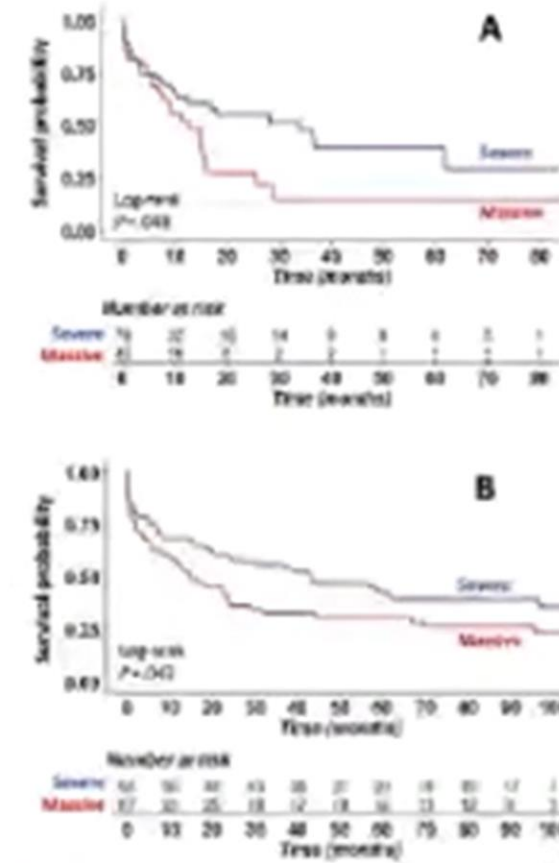


Figure 3 Kaplan-Meier survival analysis of the study cohort (A) and the validation cohort (B) using the VC of 0.92 cm to separate severe from massive TR groups based on the Kaplan-Meier algorithm. Note poorer survival in patients in the massive TR group in both cohorts.

Refining Severe Tricuspid Regurgitation Definition by Echocardiography with a New Outcomes-Based "Massive" Grade  
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- In the study cohort, VC > 0.92 cm (massive TR) was associated with TA and RV size, and optimally associated with worse survival.
- In the independent validation cohort, VC > 0.92 also correlated with increased mortality in the massive group (log-rank P < .05).

Kebed KY et al. J Am Soc Echocardiogr 2020;33:1087-94

Evidence for outcomes associated with extended grading scheme in native TR e post- TTVI

# Impact of Massive or Torrential Tricuspid Regurgitation in Patients Undergoing Transcatheter Tricuspid Valve Intervention

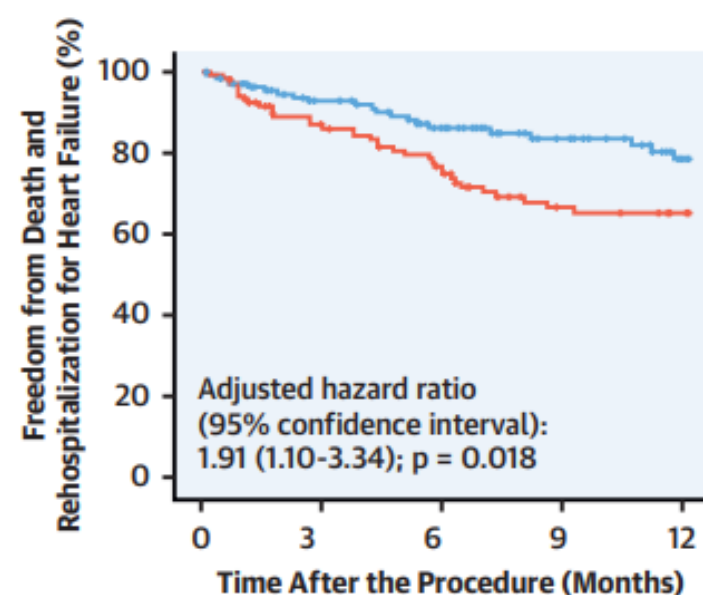


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**A**

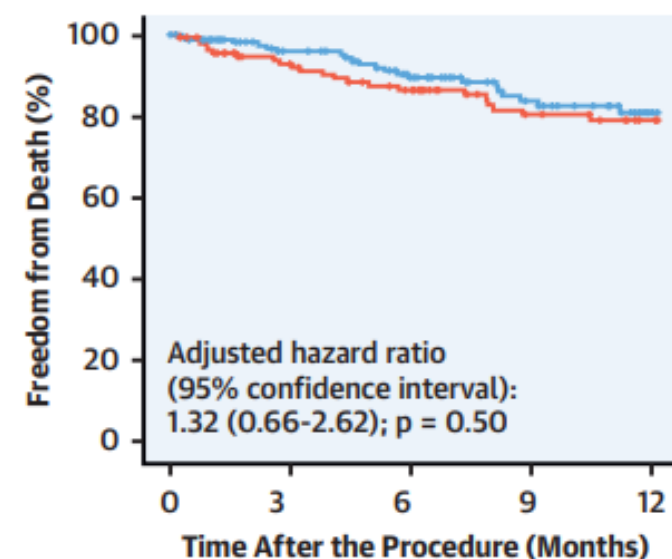
Variable	Severe	Massive	Torrential
Vena contracta width (biplane)	7-13 mm	14-20 mm	≥21 mm
Effective regurgitant orifice area (proximal isovelocity surface area)	40-59 mm <sup>2</sup>	60-79 mm <sup>2</sup>	≥80 mm <sup>2</sup>
3-dimensional VCA or quantitative effective regurgitant orifice area	75-94 mm <sup>2</sup>	95-114 mm <sup>2</sup>	≥115 mm <sup>2</sup>

**B**



No. at risk:	0	3	6	9	12
Severe Tricuspid Regurgitation	179	107	85	62	41
Massive/Torrential Tricuspid Regurgitation	154	96	81	53	51
<b>Kaplan-Meier Rate</b>					
Severe Tricuspid Regurgitation	0	7.2%	13.8%	16.4%	21.6%
Massive/Torrential Tricuspid Regurgitation	0	13.0%	23.3%	33.5%	34.7%

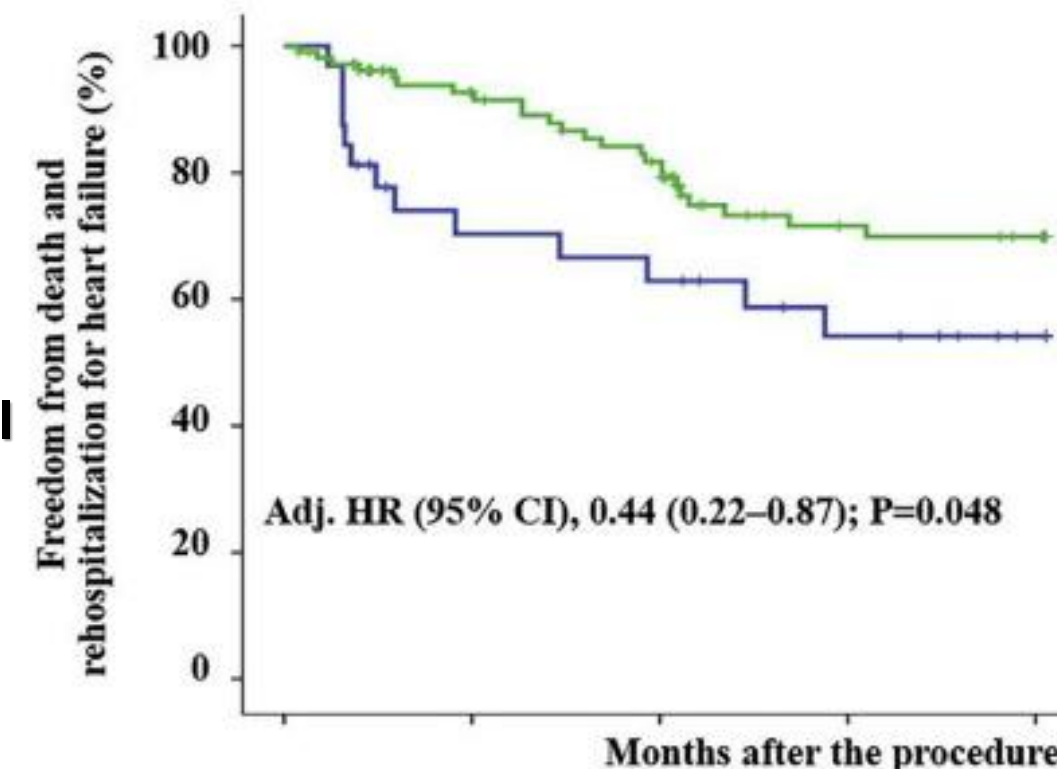
**C**



No. at risk:	0	3	6	9	12
Severe Tricuspid Regurgitation	179	130	102	71	55
Massive/Torrential Tricuspid Regurgitation	154	105	92	65	61
<b>Kaplan-Meier Rate</b>					
Severe Tricuspid Regurgitation	0	4.2%	10.7%	16.4%	19.1%
Massive/Torrential Tricuspid Regurgitation	0	7.1%	13.5%	19.6%	20.9%

**A**

**Massive/Torrential**



No at risk

Procedural success

Procedural failure

**Kaplan-Meier rate**

Procedural success

Procedural failure

Adj. HR (95% CI), 0.44 (0.22-0.87); P=0.048

Months after the procedure

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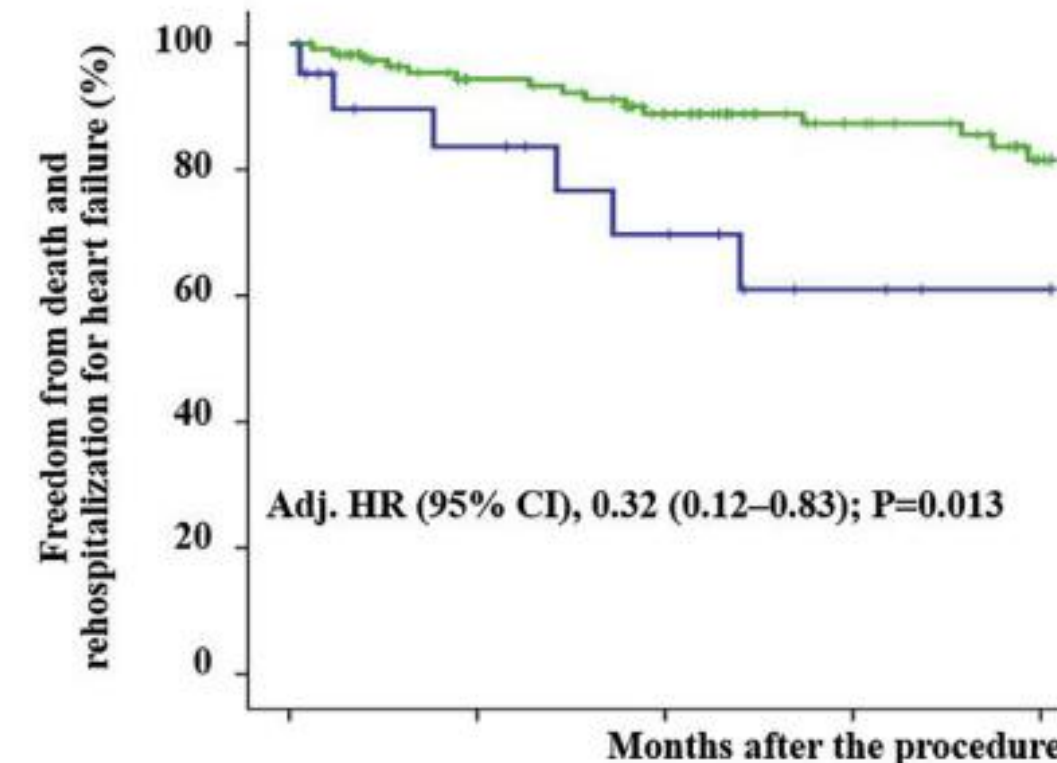
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**B**

**Severe**

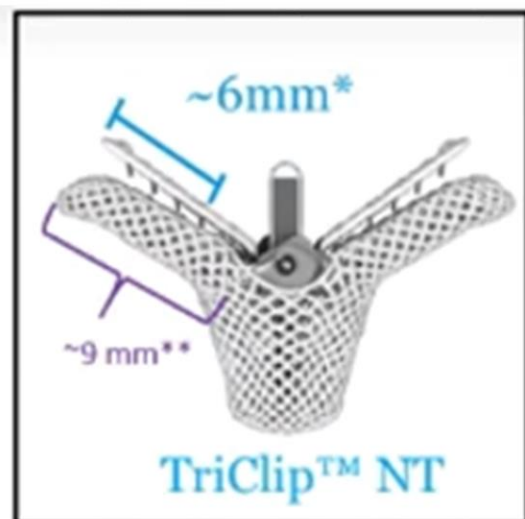


Adj. HR (95% CI), 0.32 (0.12-0.83); P=0.013

Months after the procedure

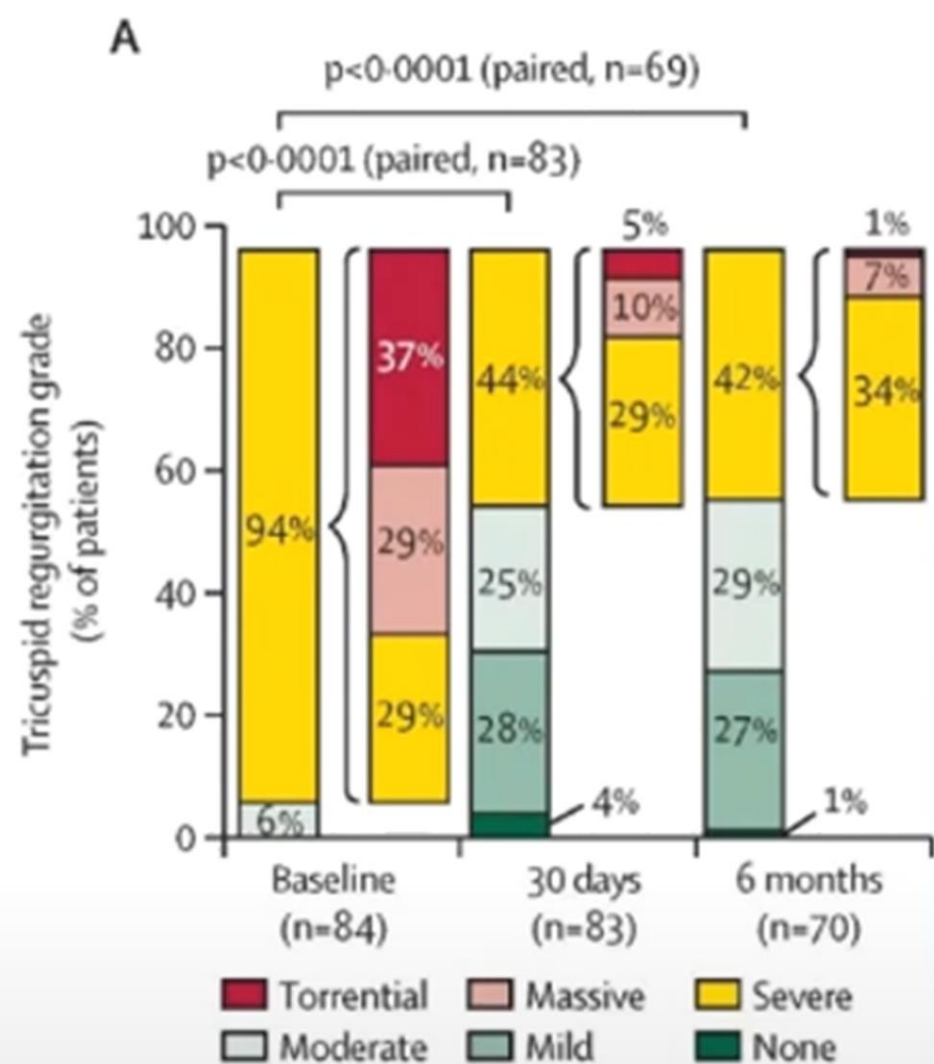
**Baseline massive or torrential TR is associated with an increased risk for all-cause Mortality and rehospitalization for heart failure 1 year after TTVI**

**Procedural success (TR<2) is associated with improved outcomes, even in with baseline massive/torrential TR**

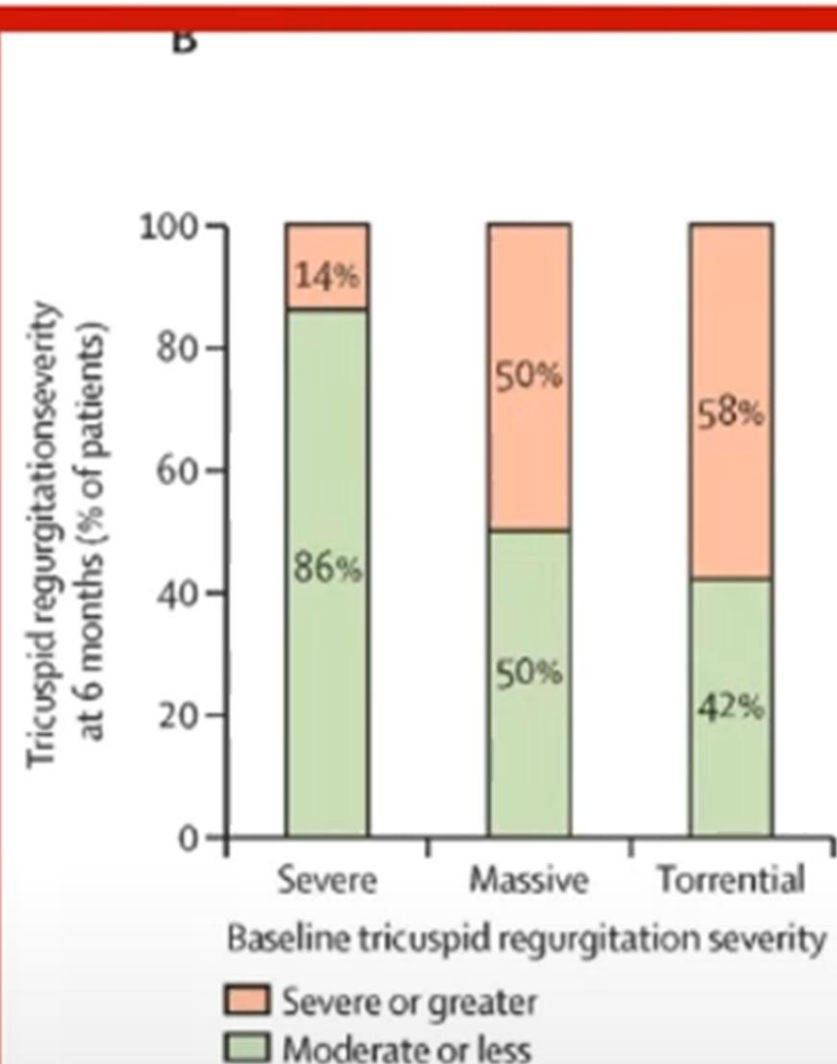


# Transcatheter edge-to-edge repair for reduction of tricuspid regurgitation: 6-month outcomes of the TRILUMINATE single-arm study

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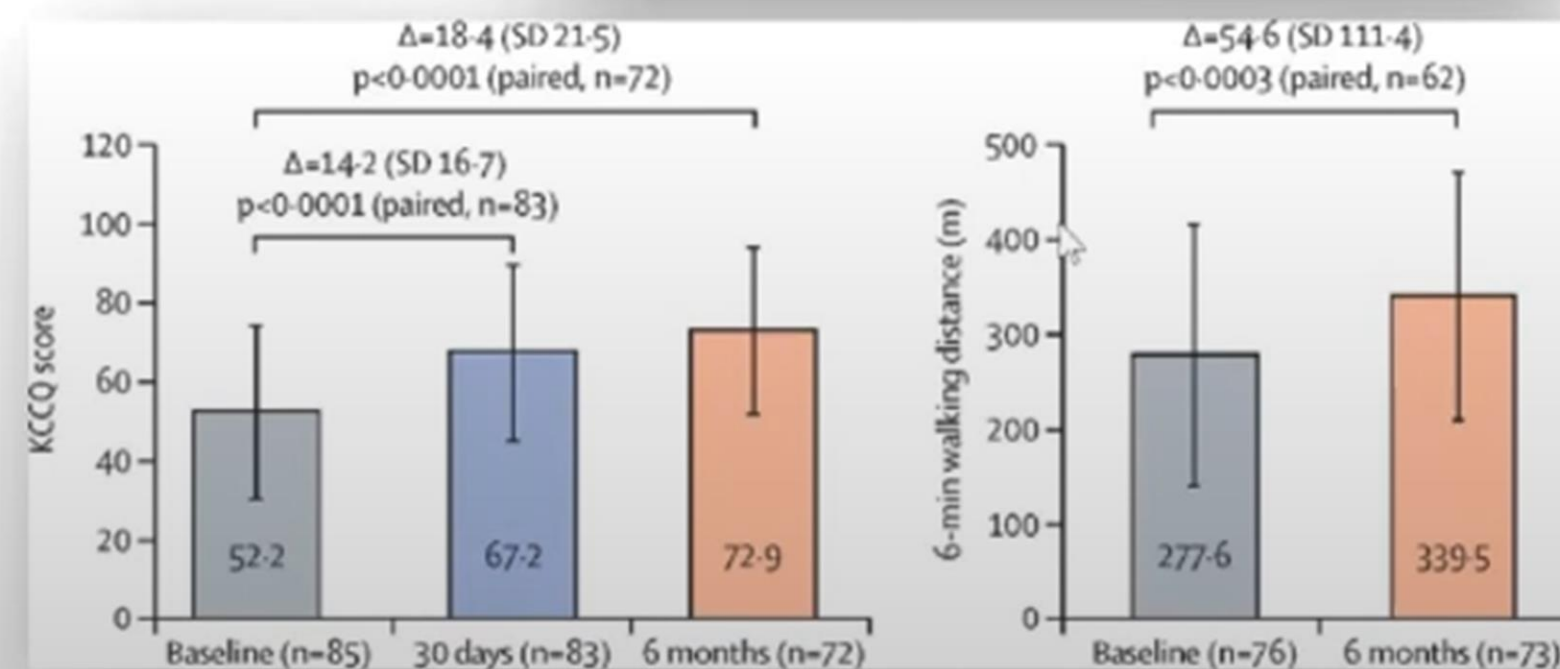
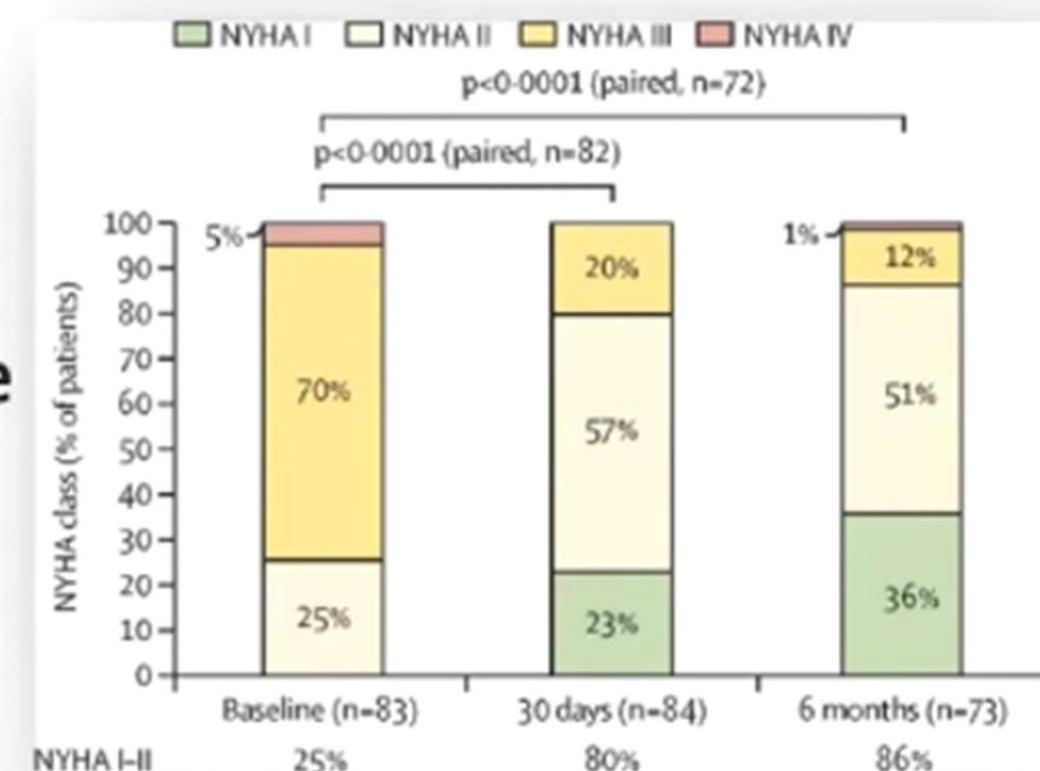


**(A) Severity of tricuspid regurgitation at baseline, 30 days and 6 months**



**(B) Proportion of patients with reduced tricuspid regurgitation severity by baseline severity status.**

The TriClip system appears to be safe and effective at reducing tricuspid regurgitation by at least one grade. This reduction could translate to significant clinical improvement at 6 months post procedure.



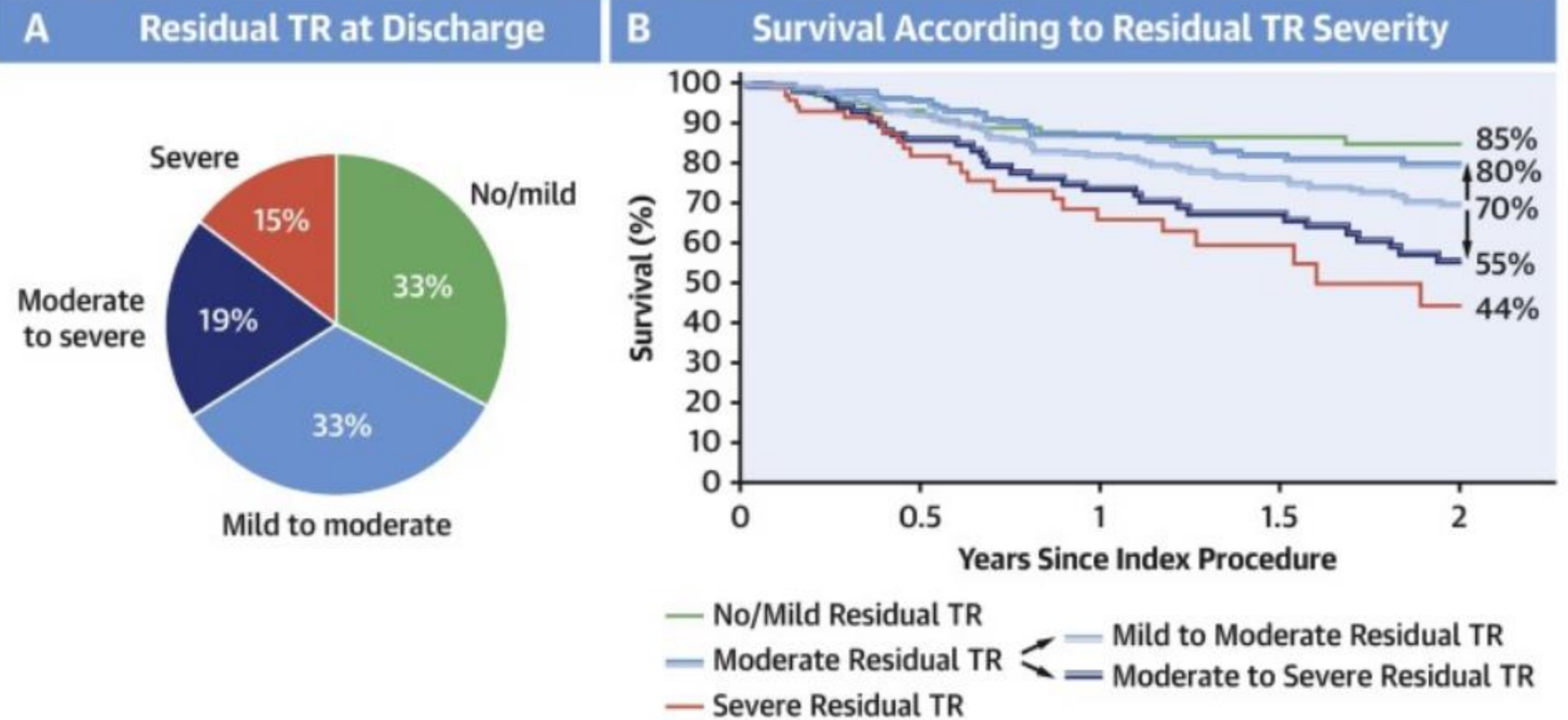
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# Prognostic Implications of Residual Tricuspid Regurgitation Grading After Transcatheter Tricuspid Valve Repair

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## CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION: Impact on Mortality of Residual Tricuspid Regurgitation Grade After Transcatheter Tricuspid Valve Repair

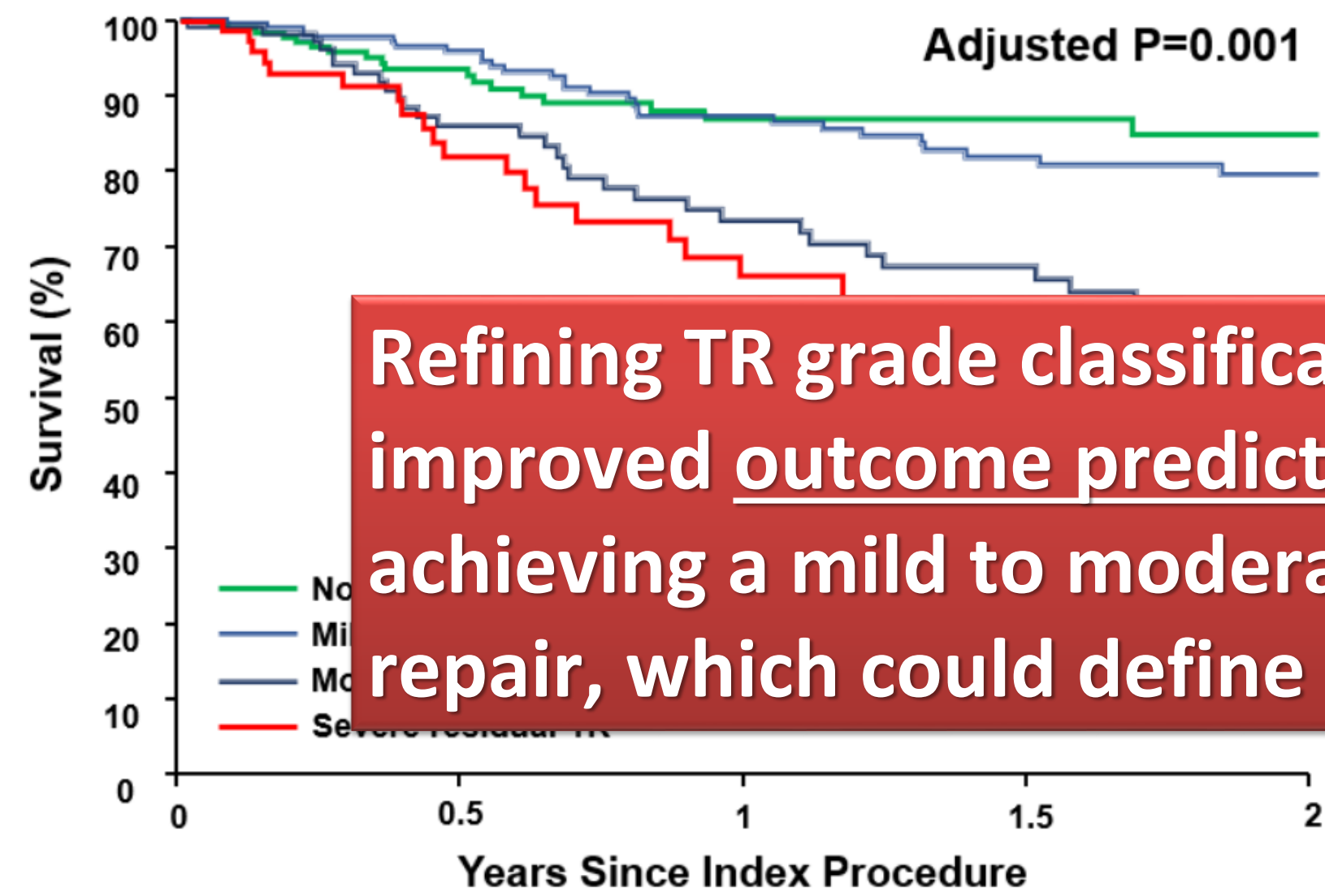
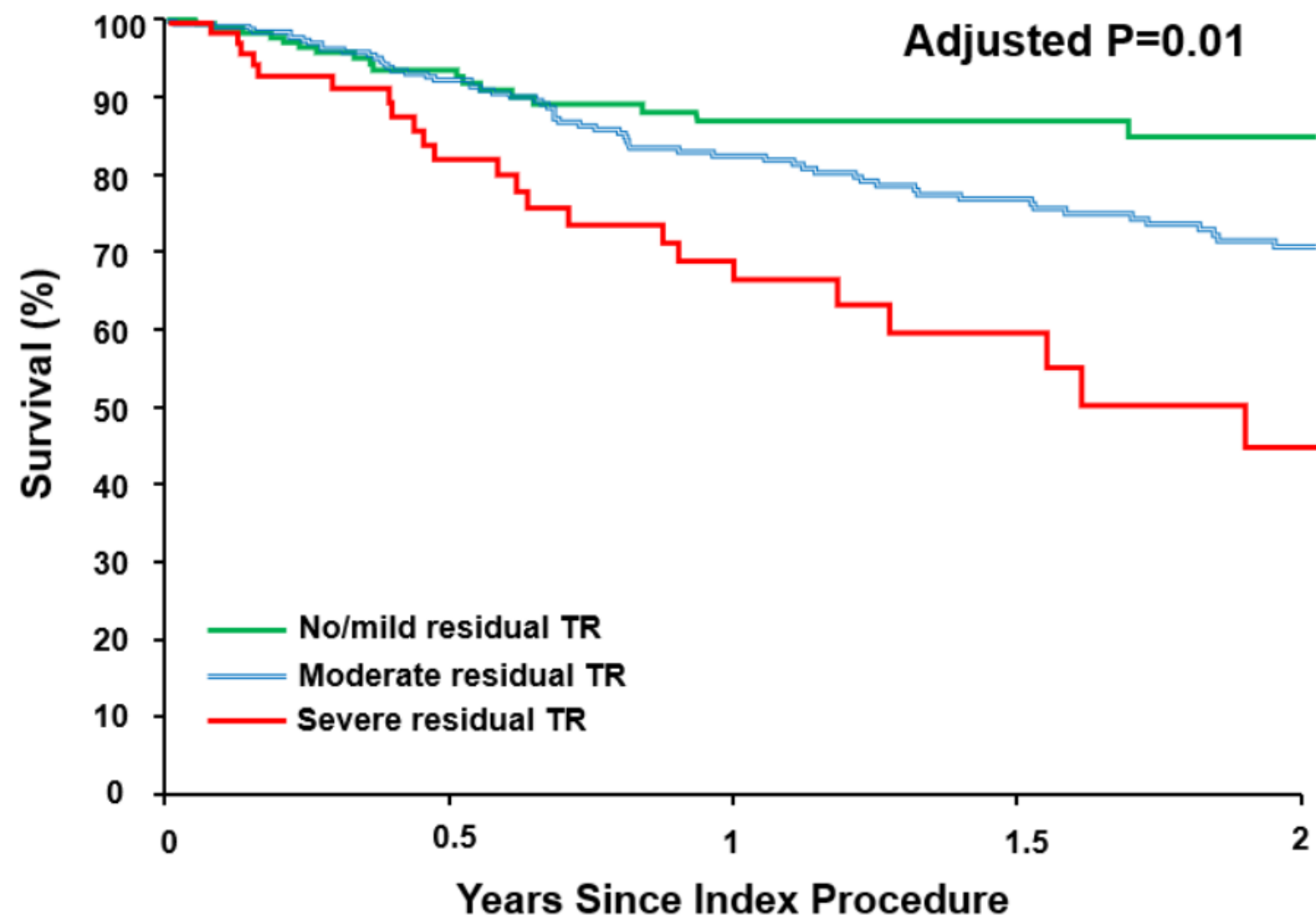
TRIGISTRY: Transcatheter Tricuspid Valve Repair in Severe Isolated Functional Tricuspid Regurgitation, N = 613



- Survival at 2 years following TTVR was worse in patients with moderate to severe compared to mild to moderate residual TR ( $P = 0.006$ ) but not different between no/mild and mild to moderate ( $P = 0.67$ ) and between moderate to severe and residual TR ( $P = 0.96$ )
- Prediction of survival is improved using a more granular 4-grade TR classification (ie, dividing moderate residual TR into 2 subgroups)
- These results highlight the importance of achieving mild to moderate or less residual TR during transcatheter tricuspid valve repair

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*“Need to separate moderate into mild-to-moderate and moderate-to-severe”*



**Refining TR grade classification with a more granular 4-grade scheme improved outcome prediction. Results highlight the importance of achieving a mild to moderate or lower residual TR grade during TTV repair, which could define a successful intervention.**

## Prognostic Implications of Residual Tricuspid Regurgitation Grading After Transcatheter Tricuspid Valve Repair

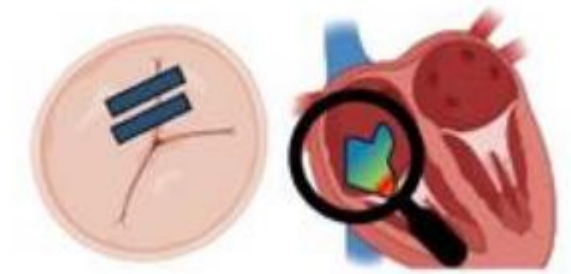
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Patients from TRIGISTRY with severe isolated functional TR who underwent TTVI, evaluated according to the severity of residual TR at discharge. 2 years follow-up.

Significantly **different adjusted survival rates between residual mild, moderate and severe TR after TTVI ( $p=0.0001$ ).**



Significantly **lower survival in patients with moderate to severe residual TR compared with mild to moderate residual TR after TTVI ( $P= 0.006$ ).**





# Invasive Hemodynamic Assessment and Procedural Success of Transcatheter Tricuspid Valve Repair—Important Factors for Right Ventricular Remodeling and Outcome

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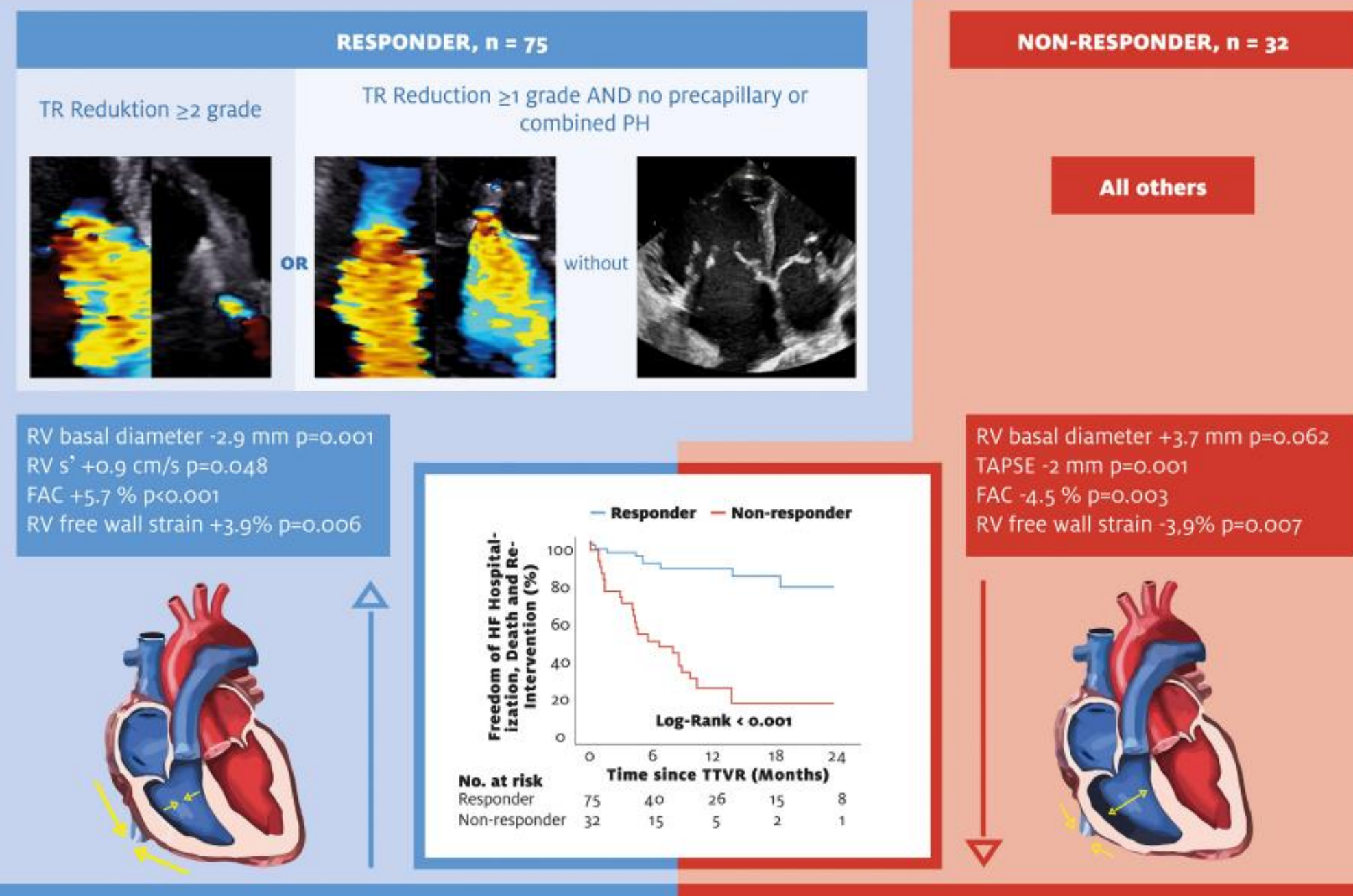
## • RESPONDERS:

- Significant RV reverse remodeling in responders with a decrease in RV diameters (-2.9 mm,  $p = 0.001$ ) at a mean follow-up of 229 days ( $\pm 219$  SD) after TTVR.
- RV function improved in responders (FAC + 5.7%,  $p < 0.001$ )

## • NON-RESPONDERS:

- More persistent symptoms than responders (NYHA  $\geq 3$ , 72% vs. 11% at follow-up).

## CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION: Influence of TR Reduction and Pulmonary Hypertension on RV Remodelling and Outcome after Transcatheter Tricuspid Edge-to-edge Repair



TTVR patients divided into responders and non-responders by preinterventional hemodynamic assessment and procedural success show a marked difference in RV (reverse) remodeling and outcome. While RV function improves in responders, it deteriorates in non-responders.

# Can we improve outcome with TTVI?

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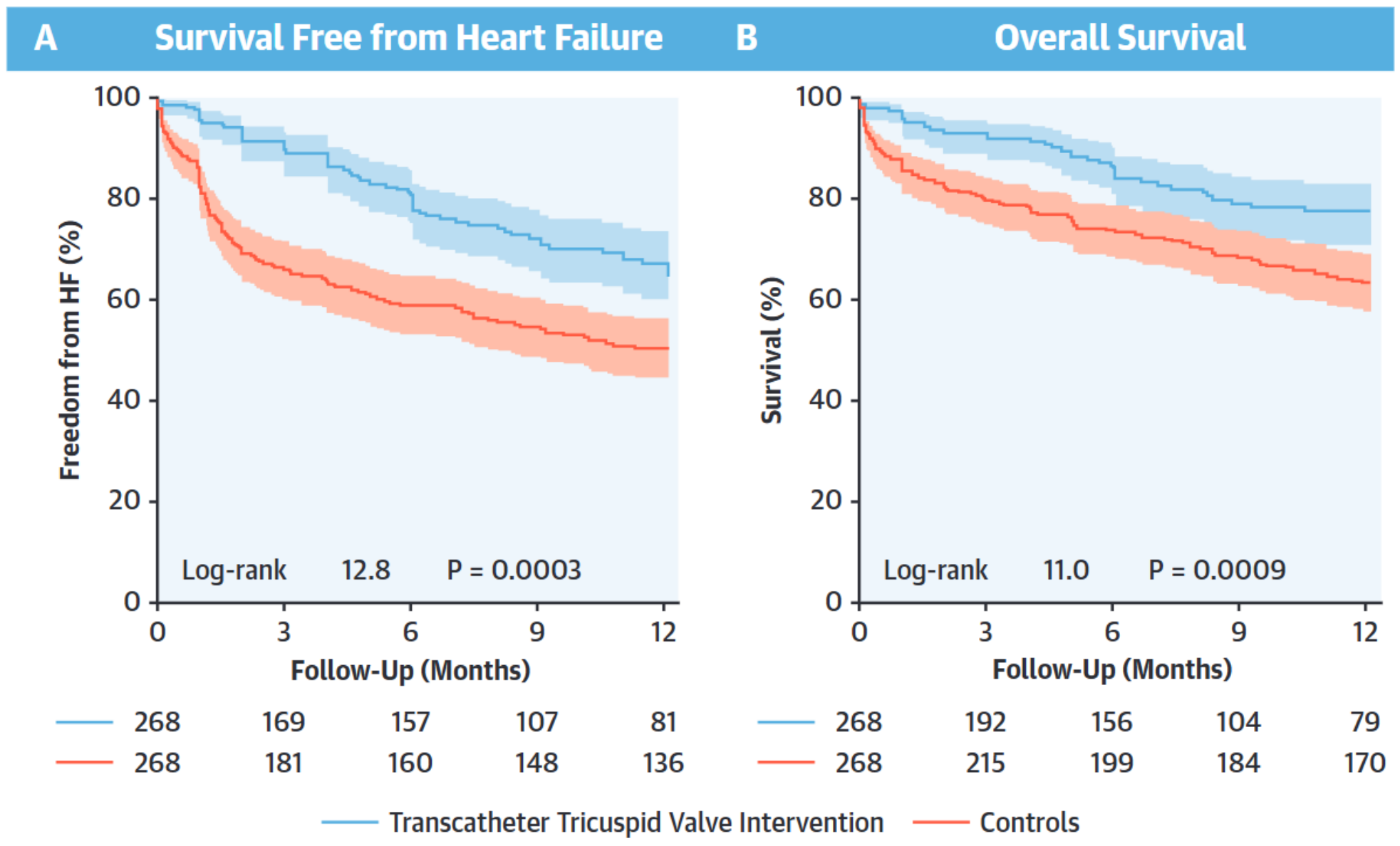
## Transcatheter Versus Medical Treatment of Patients With Symptomatic Severe Tricuspid Regurgitation



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In this propensity-matched case-control study, TTVI is associated with greater survival and reduced HFrehospitalization compared with medical therapy alone.

### CENTRAL ILLUSTRATION Transcatheter Treatment of Severe Tricuspid Regurgitation: Primary and Secondary Endpoints



Taramasso, M. et al. J Am Coll Cardiol. 2019;74(24):2998-3008.

Kaplan-Meier curves for transcatheter tricuspid valve intervention (blue curve) versus control subjects (red curve) according to primary (A) and secondary (B) endpoint. Shading identifies the pointwise confidence interval.



## Clinical and Echocardiographic Outcomes of Transcatheter Tricuspid Valve Interventions: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

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- **EOA Decrease mean difference [MD] -0.31 cm<sup>2</sup> ; 95% CI: -0.39 to -0.23cm<sup>2</sup> , p < 0.001**
- **Regurgitant volume (MD -23.54 ml; 95% CI: -29.68 to -17.4 ml, p = 0.03)**

**TTVI significantly reduces TR severity and increases FSV and is associated with improved survival at 1 year compared with patients without procedural success.**

Transcatheter Tricuspid Valve Interventions	Clinical Outcomes	Right Ventricular Size and Functional Remodeling
Leaflet Devices Annuloplasty TTVR CAVI	30-day mortality → 5% 6-month mortality → 10% 1-year mortality → 25%	↓ Tricuspid Annular Diameter ↓ RV basal diameter ↓ TAPSE & Fractional Area Change ↑ Forward Stroke Volume

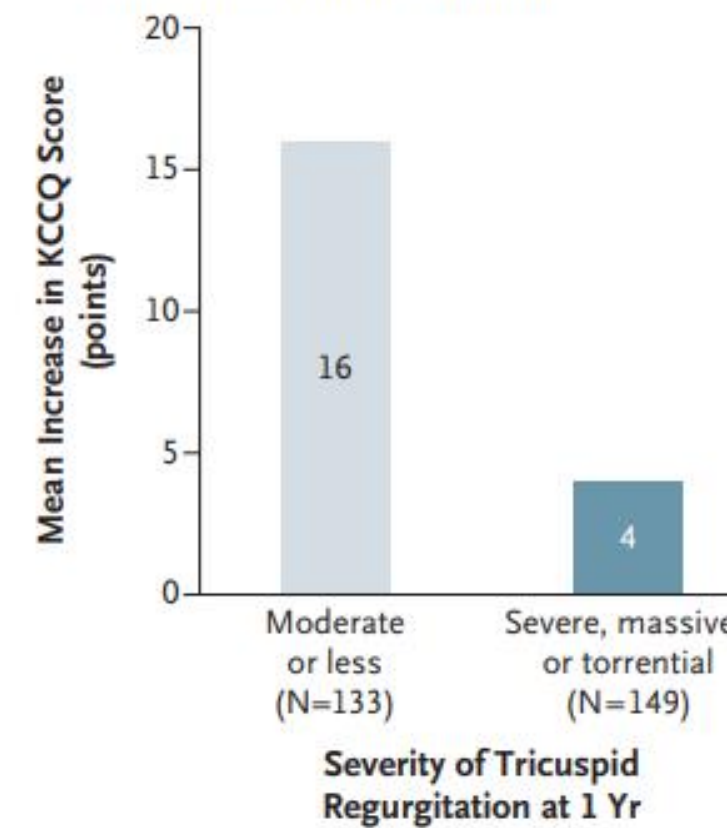
## Transcatheter Repair for Patients with Tricuspid Regurgitation

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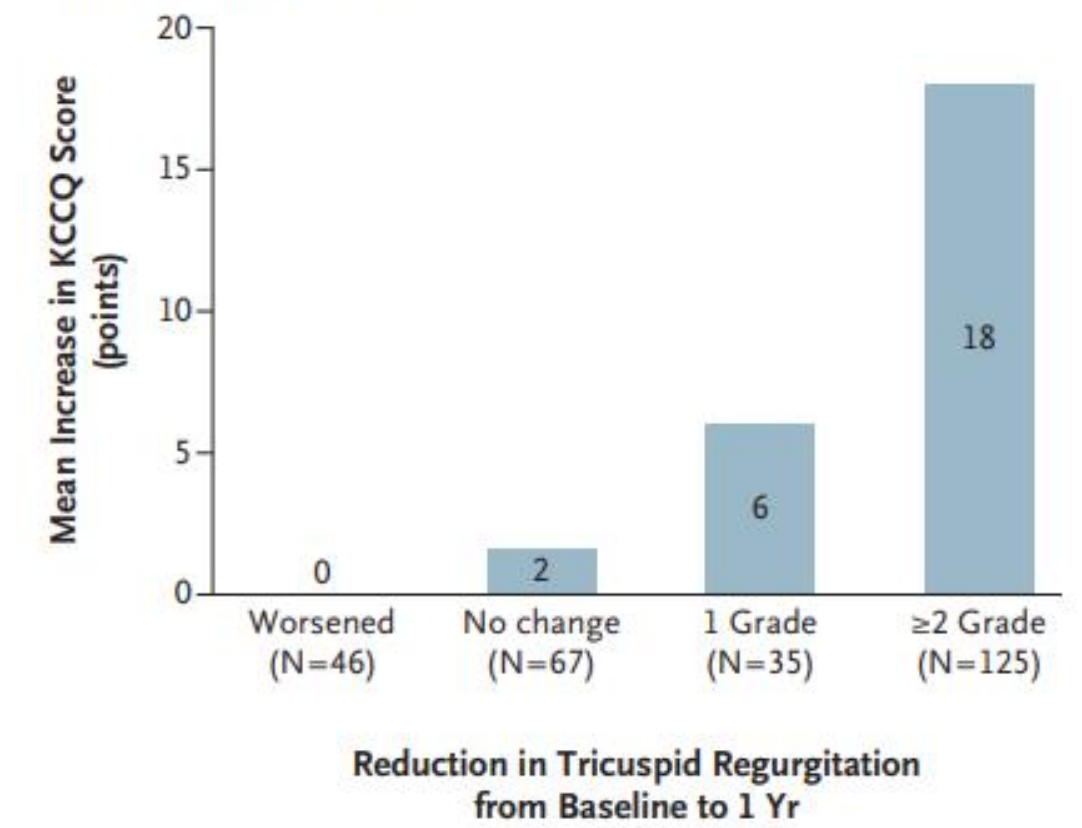
**Table 2. Primary and Secondary End Points.\***

End Point	TEER Group (N=175)	Control Group (N=175)	Difference (95% CI)	P Value
<b>Primary</b>				
Hierarchical composite of death from any cause or tricuspid-valve surgery; hospitalization for heart failure; and improvement of $\geq 15$ points in KCCQ score at 1 yr — no. of wins†	11,348	7643	1.48 (1.06 to 2.13)	0.02
<b>Secondary, listed in hierarchical order</b>				
Kaplan–Meier estimate of percentage of patients with freedom from major adverse events through 30 days after the procedure (lower 95% confidence limit)‡	98.3 (96.3)	—	—	<0.001
Change in KCCQ score from baseline to 1 yr — points§	12.3 $\pm$ 1.8	0.6 $\pm$ 1.8	11.7 (6.8 to 16.6)	<0.001
Tricuspid regurgitation of no greater than moderate severity at 30-day follow-up — no. of patients/total no. (%)¶	140/161 (87.0)	7/146 (4.8)	—	<0.001
Change in 6-min walk distance from baseline to 1 yr — m	-8.1 $\pm$ 10.5	-25.2 $\pm$ 10.3	17.1 (-12.0 to 46.1)	0.25

**A** Change in Quality of Life According to Severity of Residual Tricuspid Regurgitation



**B** Change in Quality of Life According to Magnitude of Reduction in Tricuspid Regurgitation



**Figure 2.** Changes in Quality of Life from Baseline to 1 Year, Stratified According to the Severity of Residual Tricuspid Regurgitation and the Magnitude of the Reduction in Tricuspid Regurgitation.

Tricuspid TEER was safe for patients with severe tricuspid regurgitation, reduced the severity of tricuspid regurgitation, and was associated with an improvement in quality of life.

## WHAT ARE THE EXPECTED BENEFITS?

- *Mortality?*
- *HF hospitalizations?*
- *Patient reported outcomes?*

## WHO BENEFIT FROM TTVI?

- ***Mortality:*** *Atrial vs Ventricular functional TR?*
- ***HF hospitalizations:*** *failed OMT?*

## WHICH DEVICE THERAPY PROVIDE BENEFIT?

- *Device that are safe with few MACE?*
- *Device that reliably provide an optimal reduction in TR?*

