

# Non-Ischemic Cardiomyopathy

## Medical treatment following recent guidelines

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Ischemic cardiomyopathy is diagnosed in patients with heart failure who have had an acute coronary syndrome or have evidence of hibernating myocardium or angiographically severe coronary disease.

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Non-ischemic cardiomyopathy is a general term which includes any cause of abnormal cardiac structure or function other than those caused by ischemic etiology.

Patients with single vessel disease who have no evidence of previous ischemic event that may explain the degree of ventricular dysfunction should be classified as non-ischemic cardiomyopathy

**Table 5** Causes of heart failure, common modes of presentation and specific investigations

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Hypertension	Heart failure with preserved systolic function Malignant hypertension/acute pulmonary oedema	24 h ambulatory BP Plasma metanephrines, renal artery imaging Renin and aldosterone
Valve disease	Primary valve disease e.g., aortic stenosis Secondary valve disease, e.g. functional regurgitation Congenital valve disease	Echo → transoesophageal/stress
Arrhythmias	Atrial tachyarrhythmias Ventricular arrhythmias	Ambulatory ECG recording Electrophysiology study, if indicated
CMPs	All Dilated Hypertrophic Restrictive ARVC Peripartum Takotsubo syndrome Toxins: alcohol, cocaine, iron, copper	CMR, genetic testing  Right and left heart catheterization  CMR, angiography Trace elements, toxicology, LFTs, GGT
Congenital heart disease	Congenitally corrected/repai red transposition of great arteries Shunt lesions Repaired tetralogy of Fallot Ebstein's anomaly	CMR
Infective	Viral myocarditis Chagas disease HIV Lyme disease	CMR, EMB  Serology
Drug-induced	Anthracyclines Trastuzumab VEGF inhibitors Immune checkpoint inhibitors Proteasome inhibitors RAF+MEK inhibitors	
Infiltrative	Amyloid  Sarcoidosis Neoplastic	Serum electrophoresis and serum free light chains, Bence Jones protein, Bone scintigraphy, CMR, CT-PET, EMB Serum ACE, CMR, FDG-PET, chest CT, EMB CMR, EMB
Storage disorders	Haemochromatosis Fabry disease Glycogen storage diseases	Iron studies, genetics, CMR (T2* imaging), EMB α-galactosidase A, genetics, CMR (T1 mapping)
Endomyocardial disease	Radiotherapy Endomyocardial fibrosis/eosinophilia Carcinoid	CMR EMB 24 h urine 5-HIAA
Pericardial disease	Calcification Infiltrative	Chest CT, CMR, Right and Left heart catheterisation
Metabolic	Endocrine disease Nutritional disease (thiamine, vitamin B1 and selenium deficiencies) Autoimmune disease	TFTs, plasma metanephrines, renin and aldosterone, cortisol Specific plasma nutrients ANA, ANCA, rheumatology review
Neuromuscular disease	Friedreich's ataxia Muscular dystrophy	Nerve conduction studies, electromyogram, genetics CK, electromyogram, genetics

# Definition of heart failure with reduced ejection fraction, mildly reduced ejection fraction and preserved ejection fraction ESC

Type of HF		HFrEF	HFmrEF	HFpEF
CRITERIA	1	Symptoms ± Signs <sup>a</sup>	Symptoms ± Signs <sup>a</sup>	Symptoms ± Signs <sup>a</sup>
	2	LVEF ≤40%	LVEF 41–49% <sup>b</sup>	LVEF ≥50%
	3	-	-	Objective evidence of cardiac structural and/or functional abnormalities consistent with the presence of LV diastolic dysfunction/raised LV filling pressures, including raised natriuretic peptides <sup>c</sup>

HF = heart failure; HFmrEF = heart failure with mildly reduced ejection fraction; HFpEF = heart failure with preserved ejection fraction; HFrEF = heart failure with reduced ejection fraction; LV = left ventricle; LVEF = left ventricular ejection fraction.

<sup>a</sup>Signs may not be present in the early stages of HF (especially in HFpEF) and in optimally treated patients.

<sup>b</sup>For the diagnosis of HFmrEF, the presence of other evidence of structural heart disease (e.g. increased left atrial size, LV hypertrophy or echocardiographic measures of impaired LV filling) makes the diagnosis more likely.

<sup>c</sup>For the diagnosis of HFpEF, the greater the number of abnormalities present, the higher the likelihood of HFpEF.

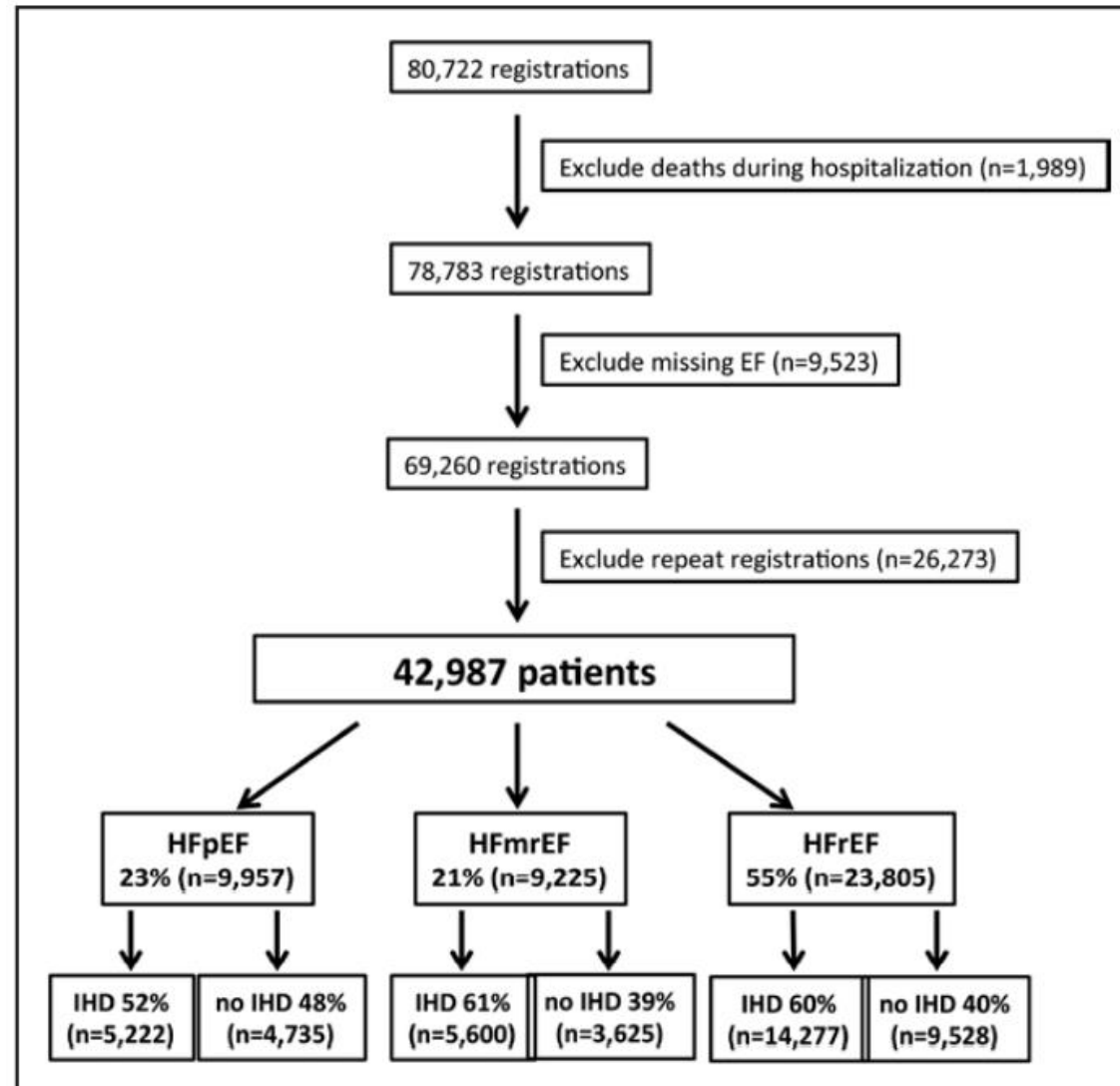
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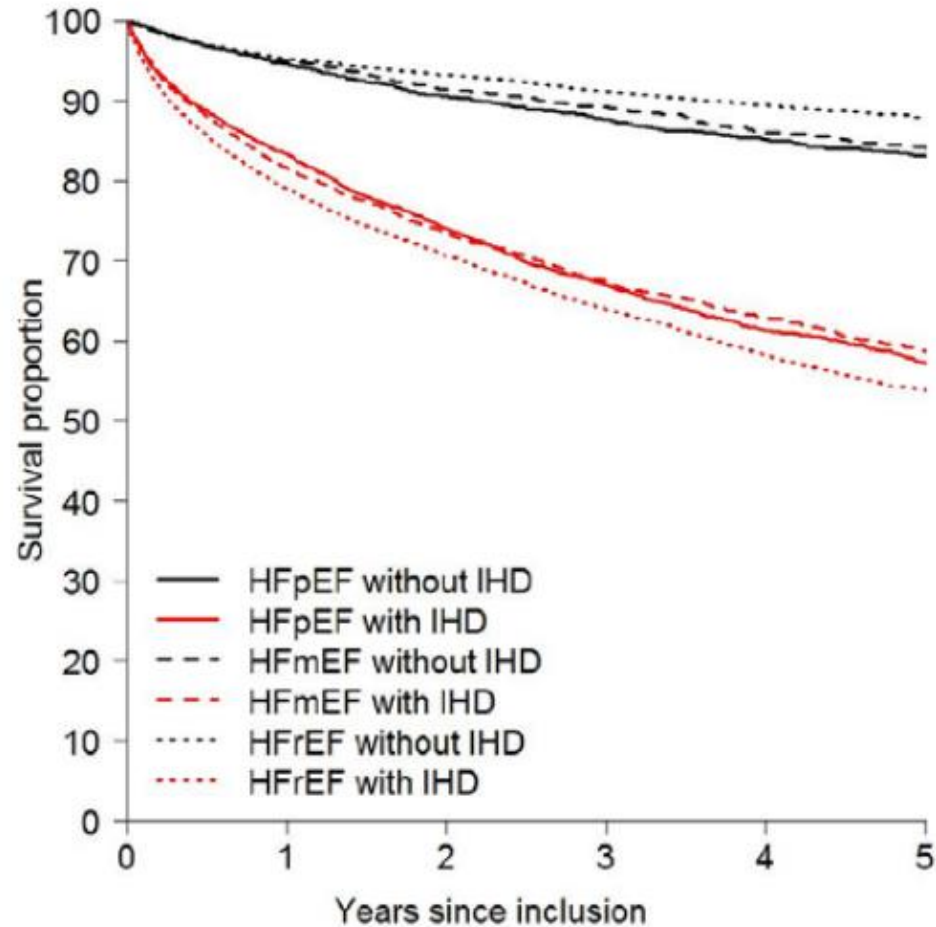
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# Ischemic vs. non-ischemic HF

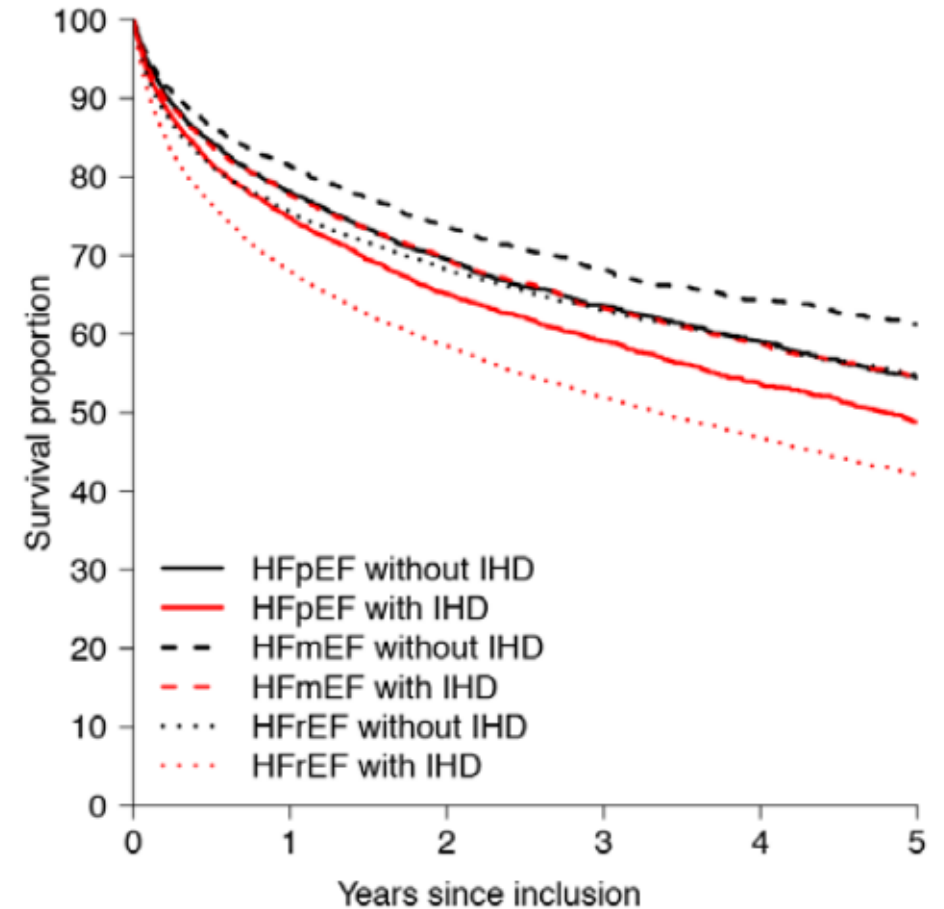




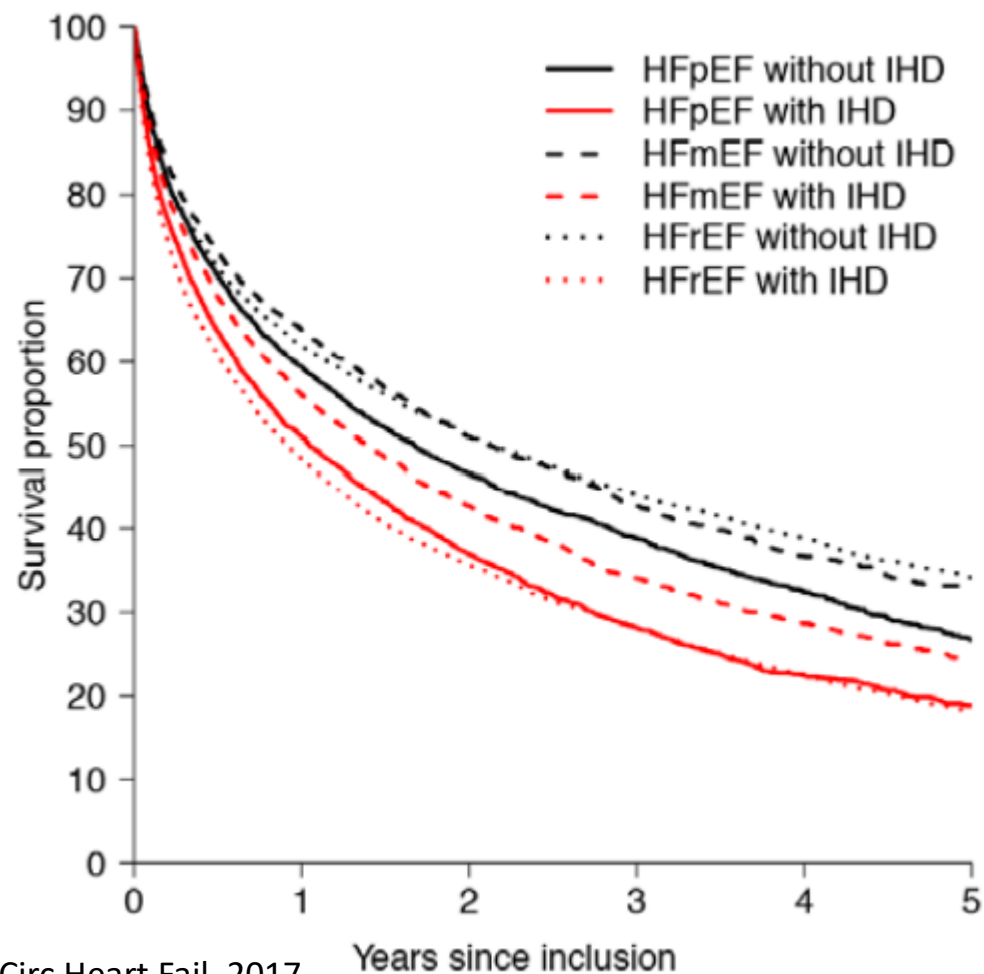
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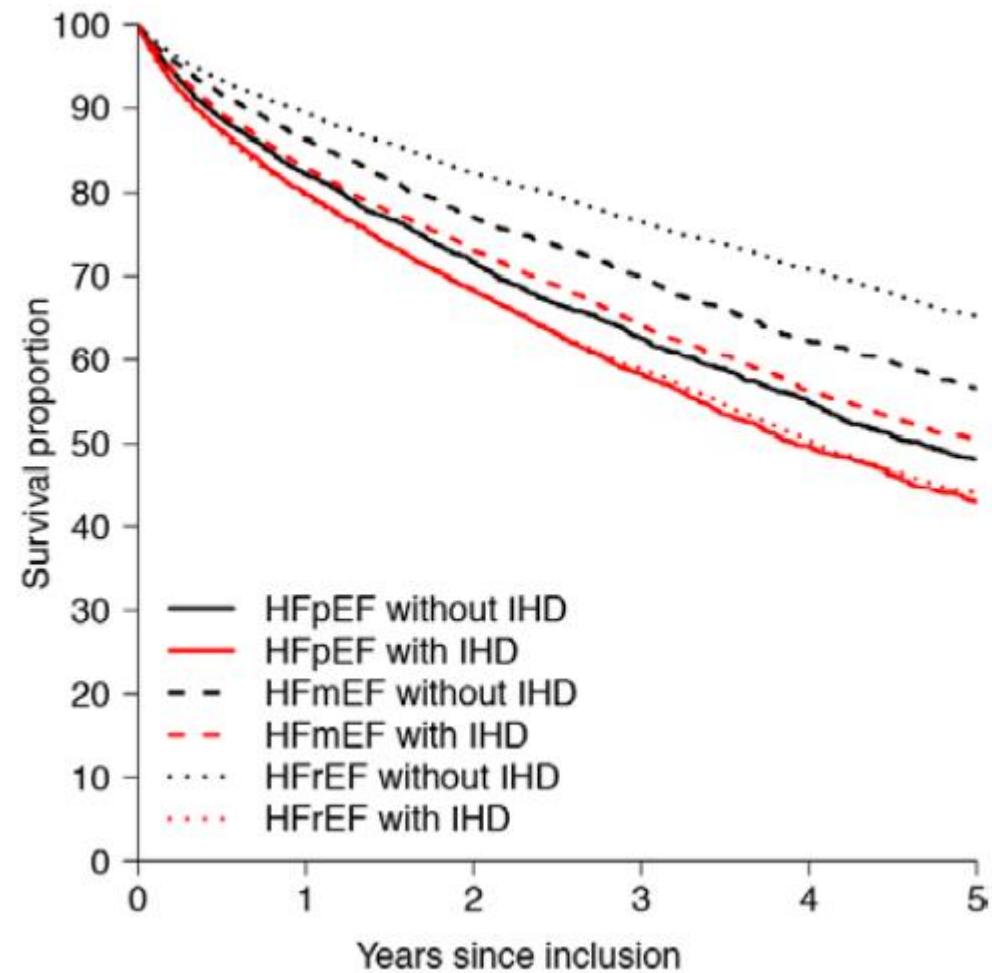
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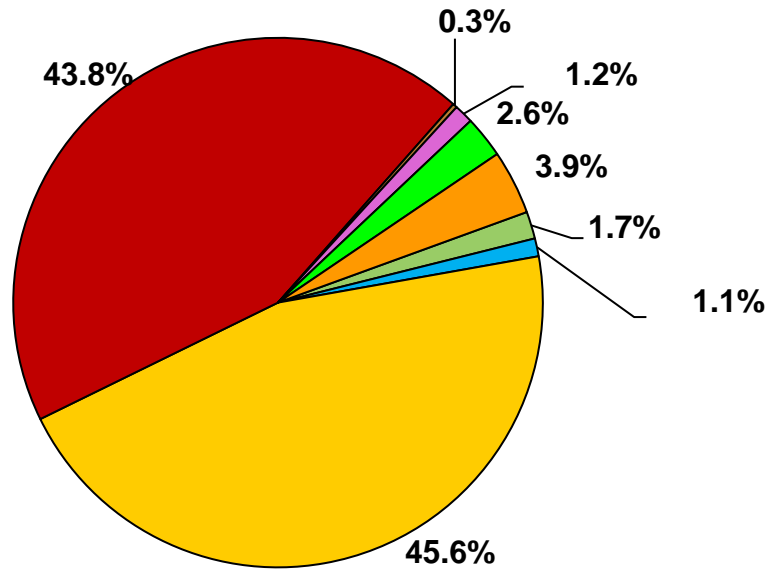
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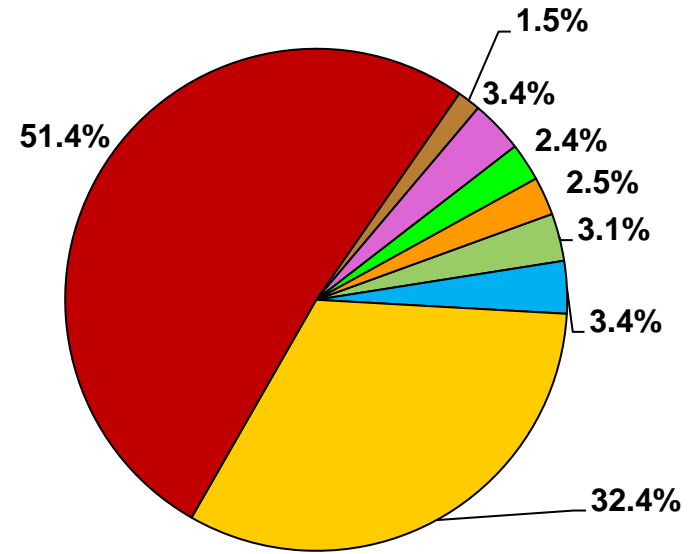
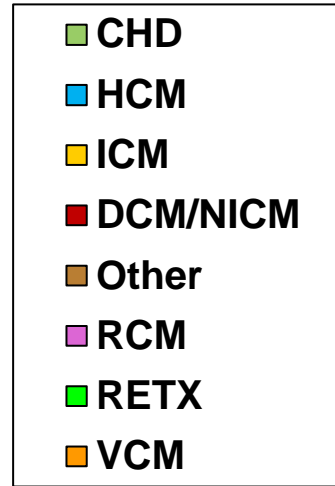
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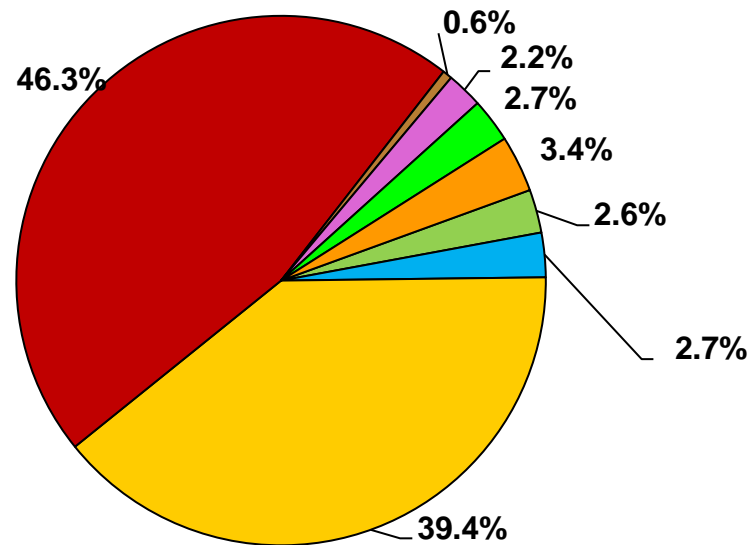
# Adult Heart Transplants Diagnosis by Era



1992-2000



2010-2018

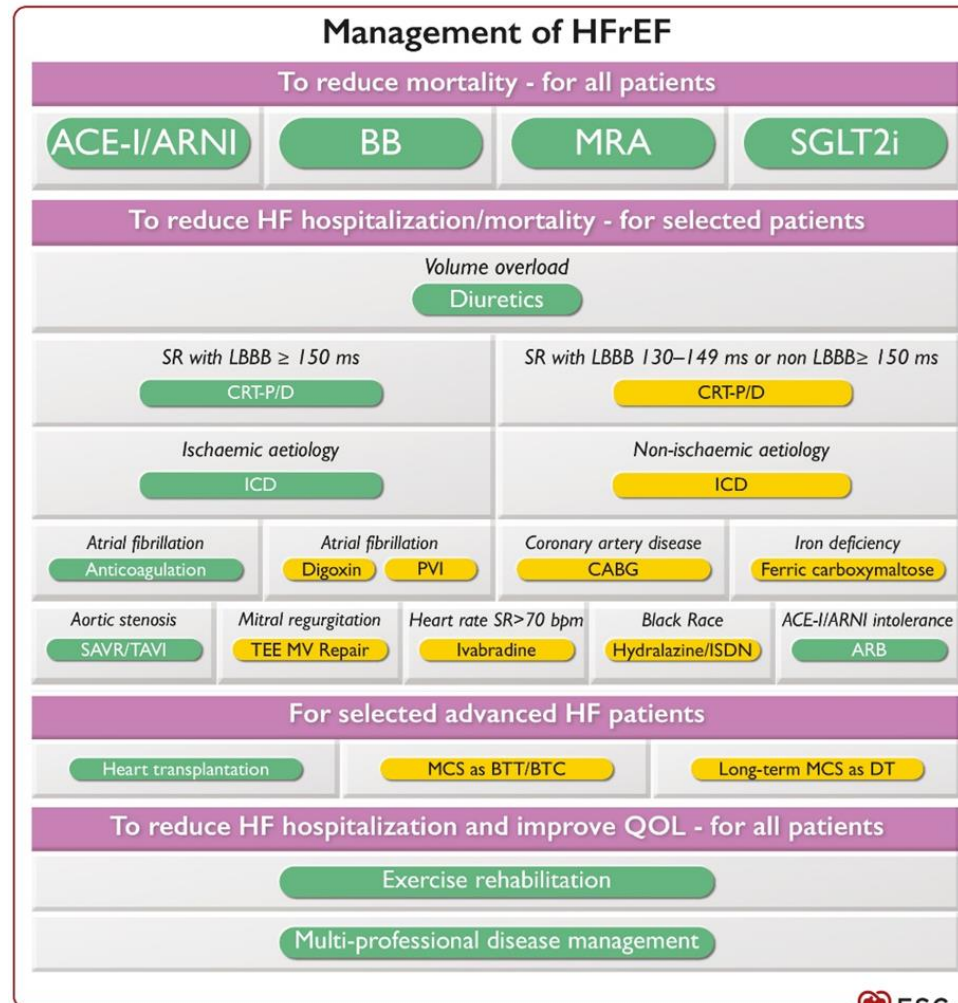


2001-2009

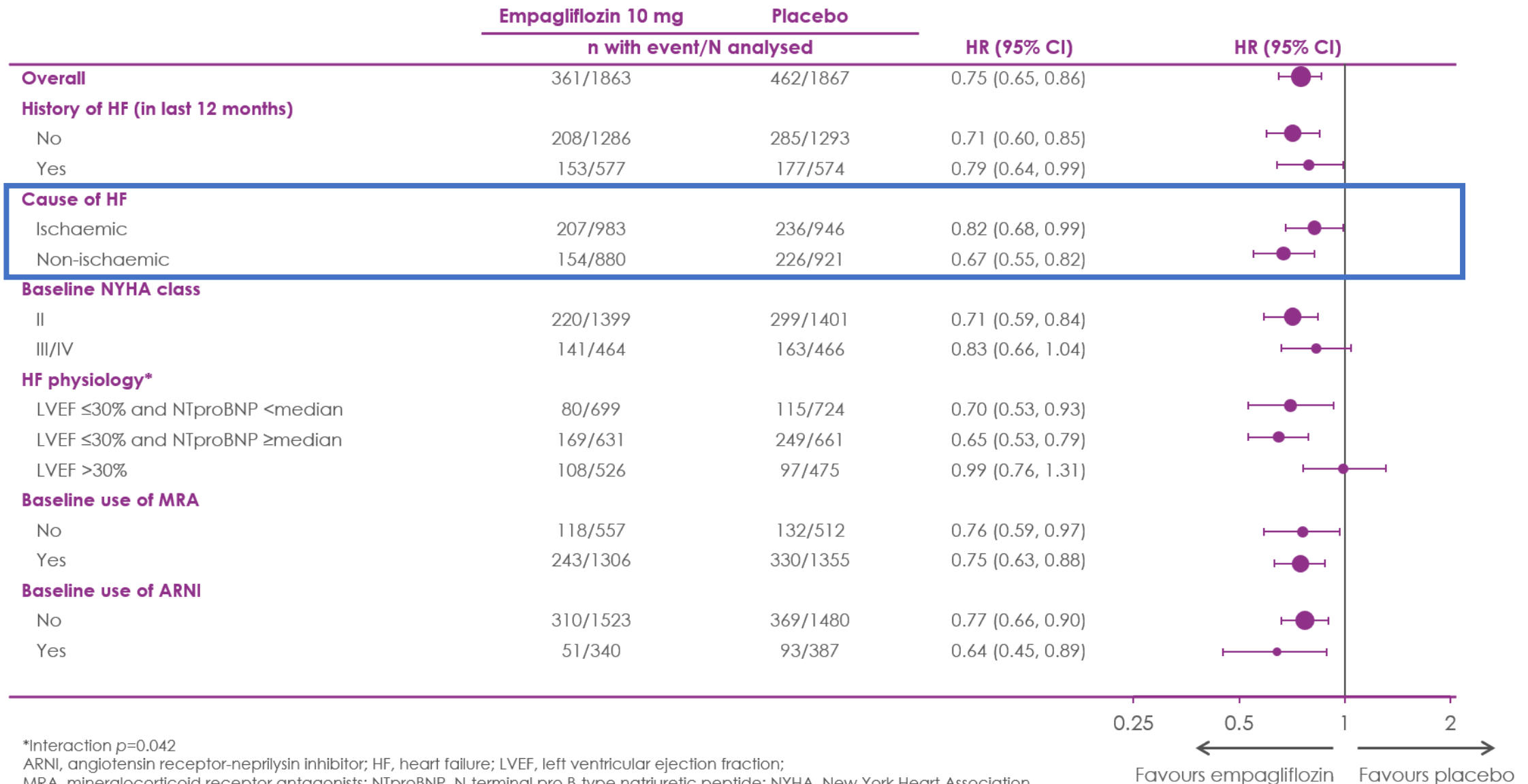
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HFrEF



# Effect of Ischemic heart disease on HF therapy



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HFrEF

## Management of HFrEF

To reduce mortality - for all patients

ACE-I/ARNI

BB

MRA

SGLT2i

To reduce HF hospitalization/mortality - for selected patients

Effect of HFrEF etiology on prognosis:

1. Risk for ventricular arrhythmia
2. Potential option for positive remodeling

For selected advanced HF patients

Heart transplantation

MCS as BTT/BTC

Long-term MCS as DT

To reduce HF hospitalization and improve QOL - for all patients

Exercise rehabilitation

Multi-professional disease management

# Recommendations for an implantable cardioverter-defibrillator in patients with heart failure

## Primary prevention

An ICD is recommended to reduce the risk of sudden death and all-cause mortality in patients with symptomatic HF (NYHA class II-III) of an **ischaemic** aetiology (unless they have had a MI in the prior 40 days—see below), and an LVEF  $\leq 35\%$  despite  $\geq 3$  months of OMT, provided they are expected to survive substantially longer than 1 year with good functional status.

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An ICD should be considered to reduce the risk of sudden death and all-cause mortality in patients with symptomatic HF (NYHA class II-III) of a **non-ischaemic** aetiology, and an LVEF  $\leq 35\%$  despite  $\geq 3$  months of OMT, provided they are expected to survive substantially longer than 1 year with good functional status.

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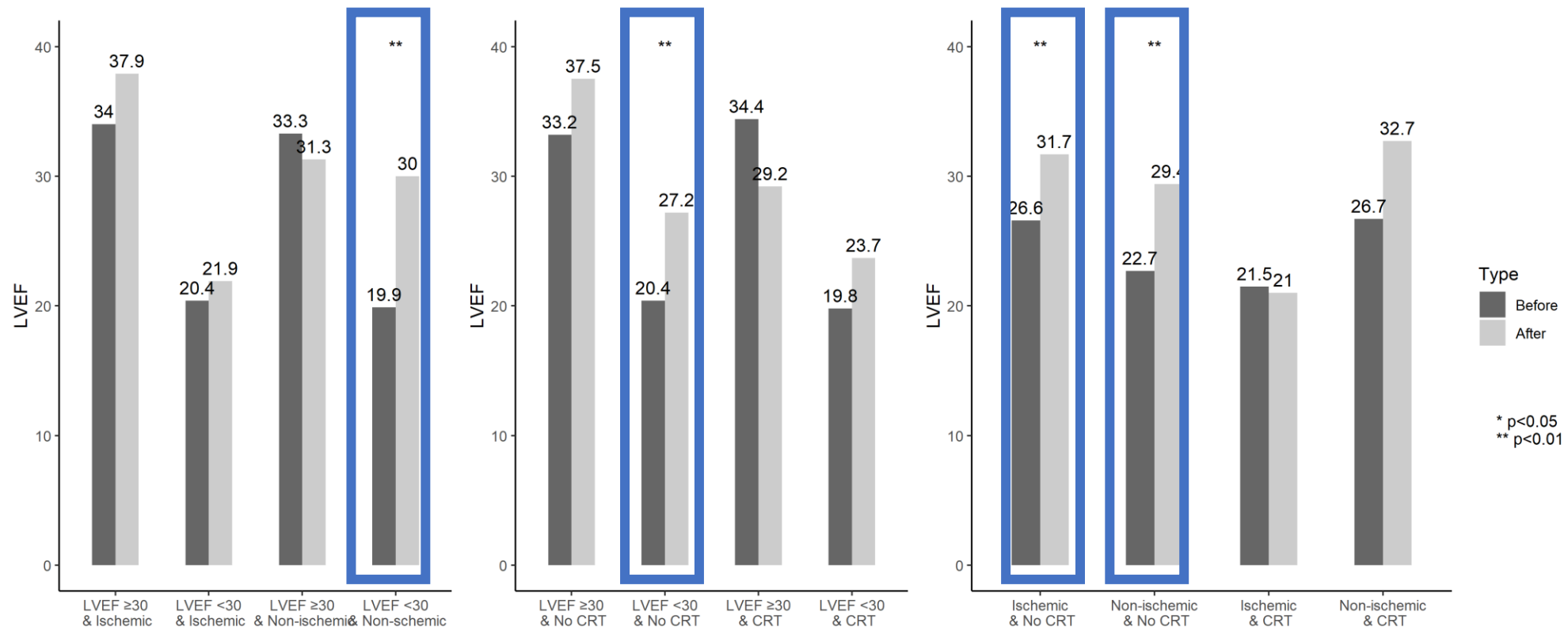
# 2022 AHA/ACC/HFSA Guideline for the Management of Heart Failure: A Report of the American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association Joint Committee on Clinical Practice Guidelines

Type of HF According to LVEF	Criteria
HFrEF (HF with reduced EF)	LVEF $\leq$ 40%
HFimpEF (HF with improved EF)	Previous LVEF $\leq$ 40% and a follow-up measurement of LVEF $>$ 40%
HFmrEF (HF with mildly reduced EF)	LVEF 41%–49% Evidence of spontaneous or provokable increased LV filling pressures (eg, elevated natriuretic peptide, noninvasive and invasive hemodynamic measurement)
HFpEF (HF with preserved EF)	LVEF $\geq$ 50% Evidence of spontaneous or provokable increased LV filling pressures (eg, elevated natriuretic peptide, noninvasive and invasive hemodynamic measurement)

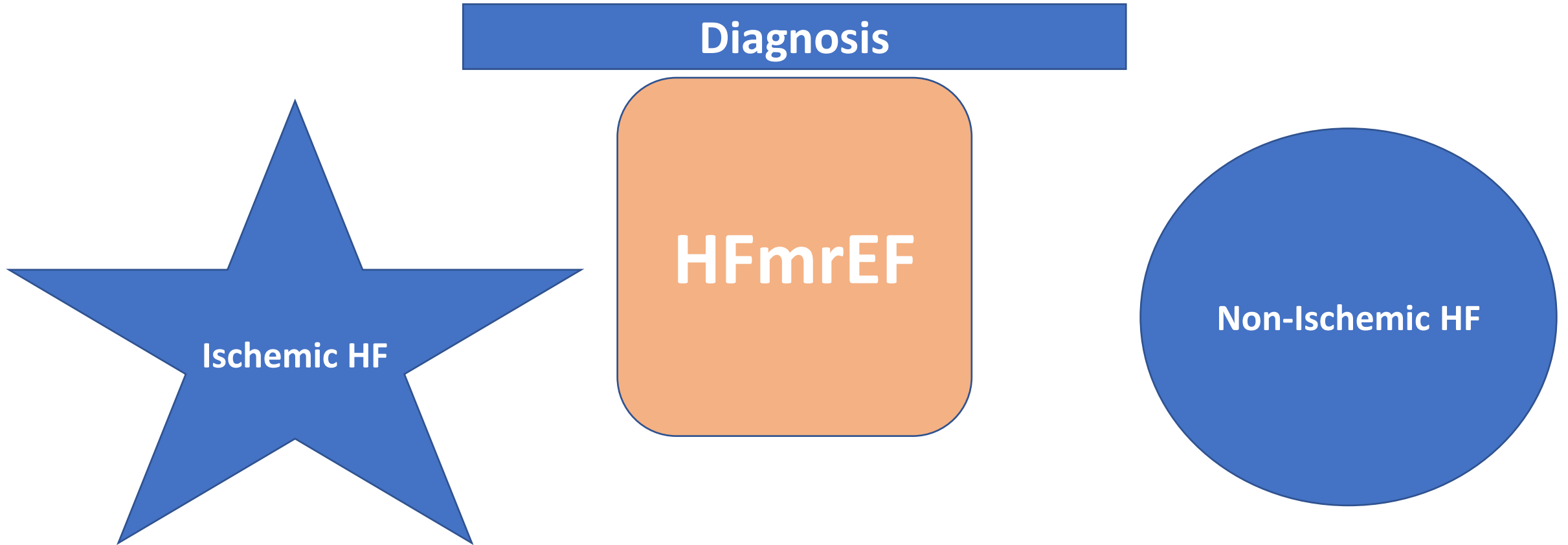


# Characterization of heart failure patients with reverse left ventricular remodelling post-angiotensin receptor blockers/neprilysin inhibitors therapy

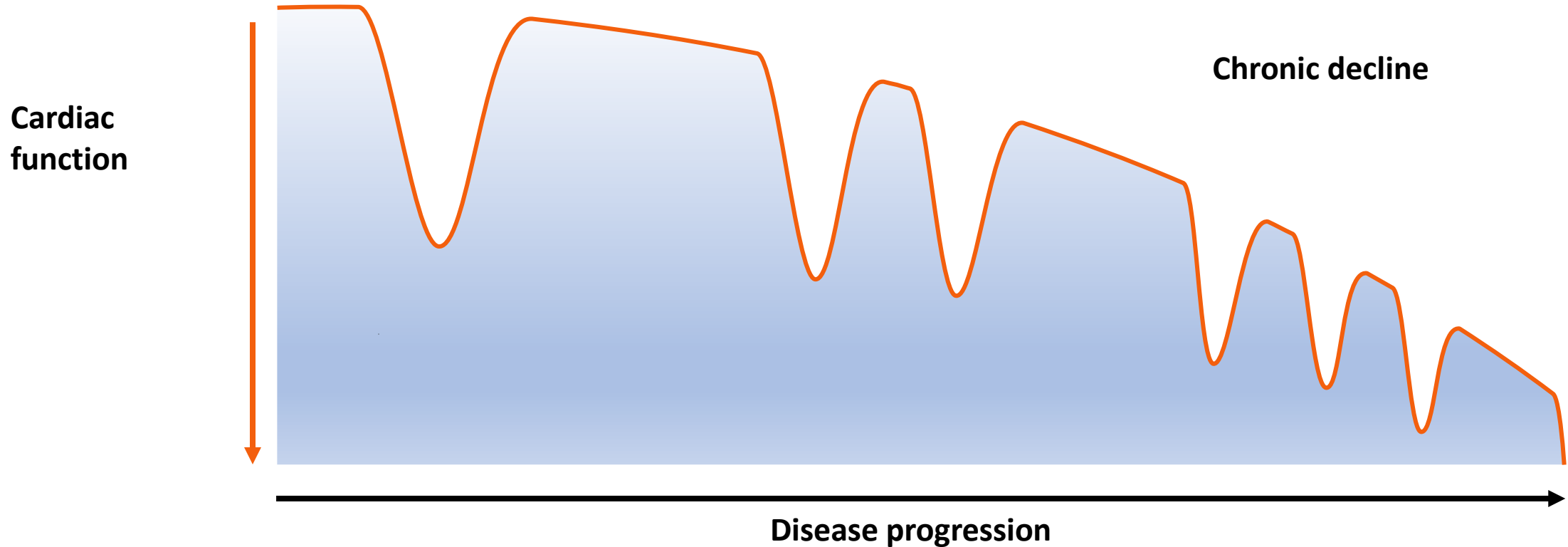
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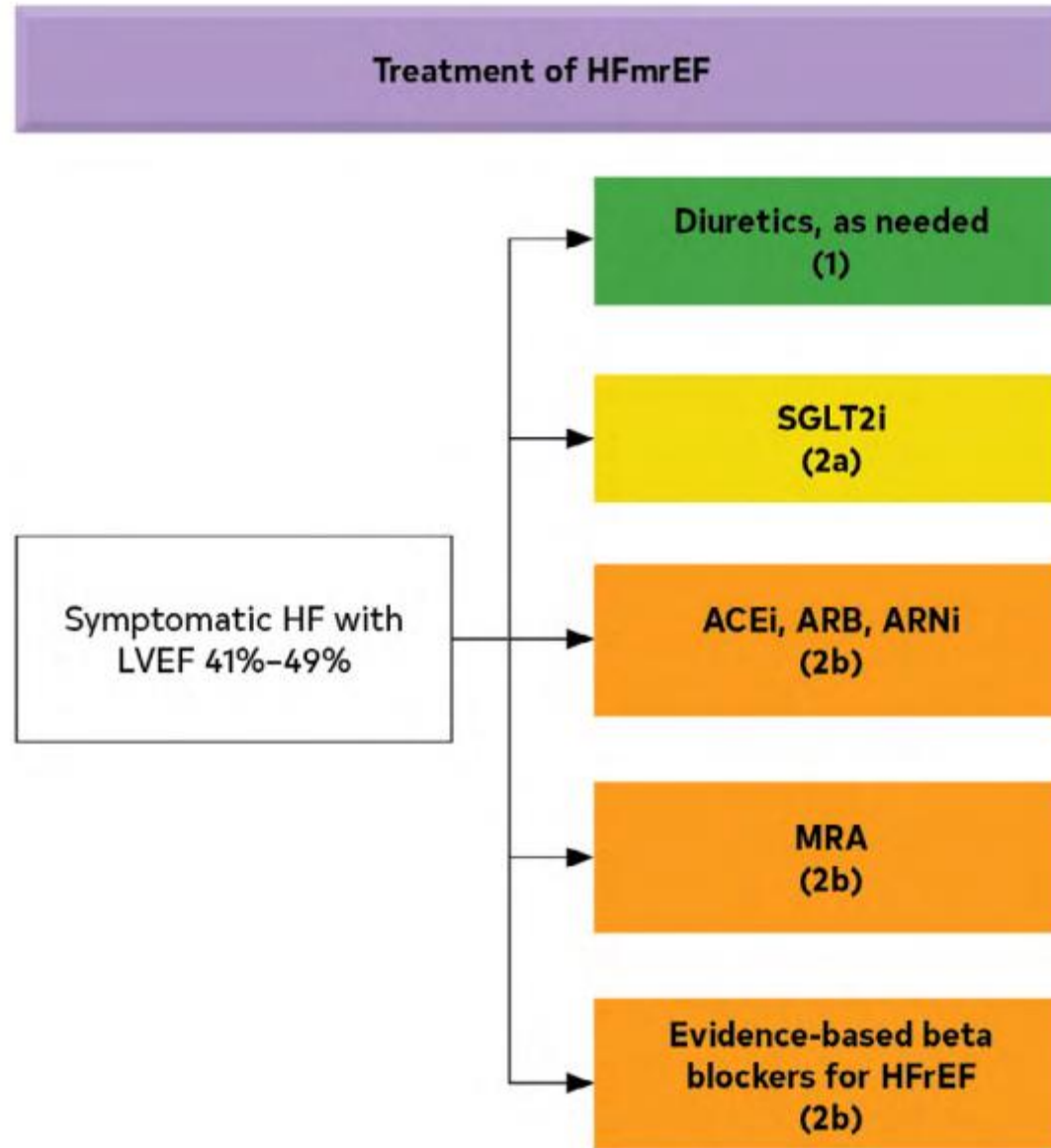
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# Pharmacological treatments to be considered in patients with (NYHA class II-IV) heart failure with mildly reduced ejection fraction

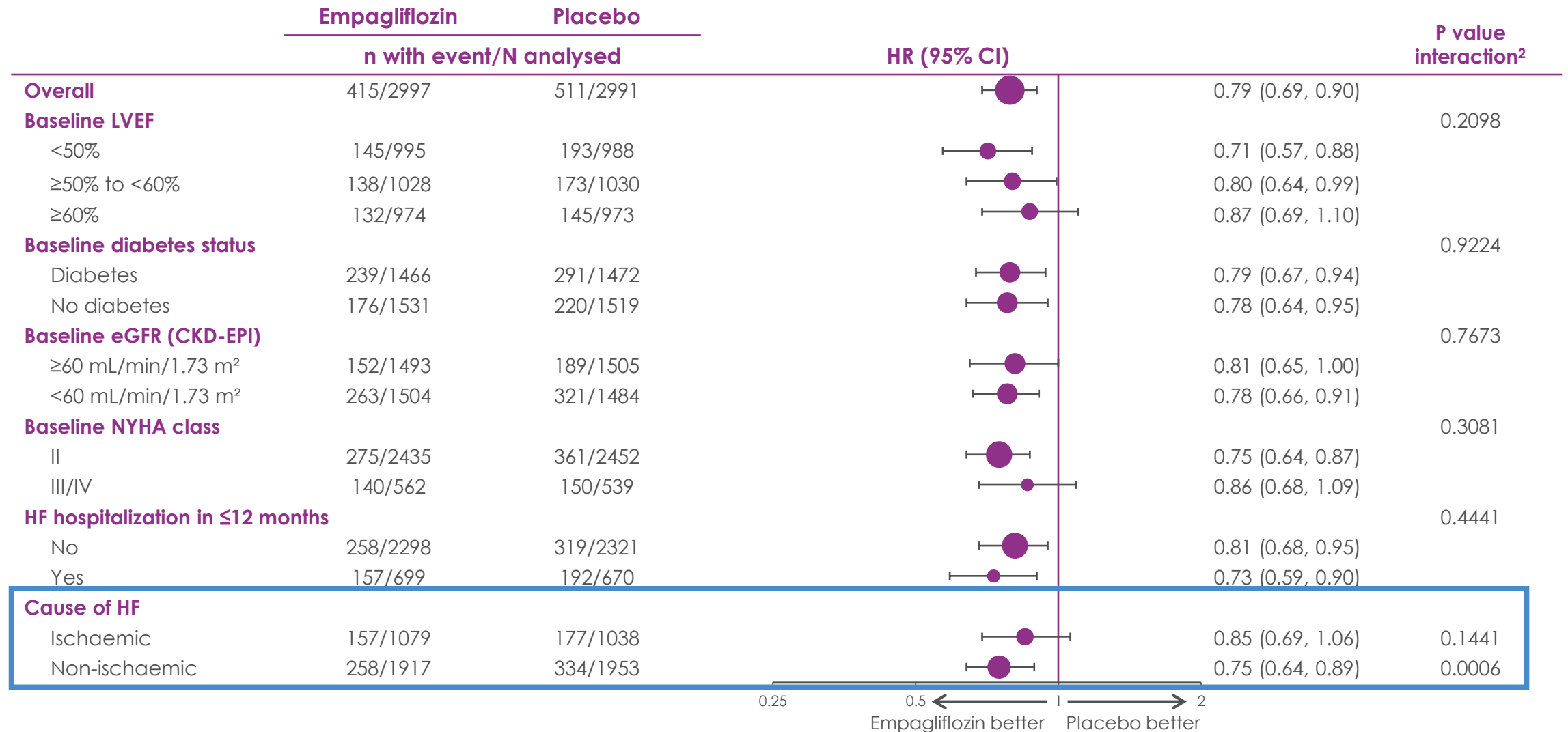
Recommendations	Class	Level
Diuretics are recommended in patients with congestion and HFmrEF in order to alleviate symptoms and signs.	I	C
An ACE-I may be considered for patients with HFmrEF to reduce the risk of HF hospitalization and death.	IIb	C
An ARB may be considered for patients with HFmrEF to reduce the risk of HF hospitalization and death.	IIb	C
A beta-blocker may be considered for patients with HFmrEF to reduce the risk of HF hospitalization and death.	IIb	C
An MRA may be considered for patients with HFmrEF to reduce the risk of HF hospitalization and death.	IIb	C
Sacubitril/valsartan may be considered for patients with HFmrEF to reduce the risk of HF hospitalization and death.	IIb	C

ACE-I = angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor; ARB = angiotensin-receptor blocker; HF = heart failure; HFmrEF = heart failure with mildly reduced ejection fraction; MRA = mineralocorticoid receptor antagonist; NYHA= New York Heart Association.



# EMPEROR-Preserved:

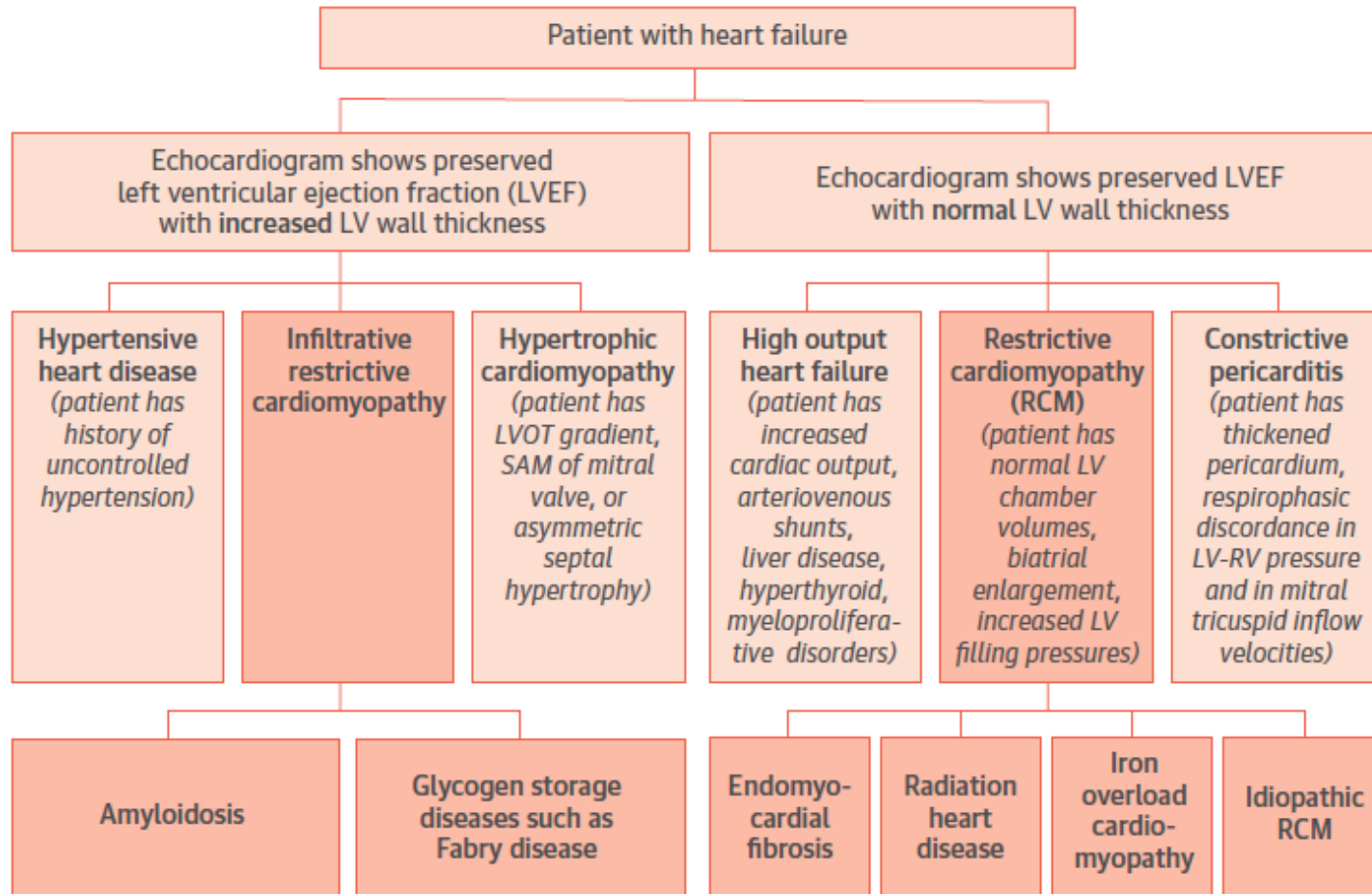
## Primary endpoint subgroup analysis



CI, confidence interval; CKD-EPI, Chronic Kidney Disease Epidemiology Collaboration; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; HF, heart failure; HR, hazard ratio; LVEF, left ventricular ejection fraction; NYHA, New York Heart Association 1. Anker S *et al.* *N Engl J Med.* 2021; doi:10.1056/NEJMoa2107038; 2. Boehringer Ingelheim data on file.

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**HFpEF**

## ESC 2021 recommendations for the treatment of HFpEF

	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
Screening for, and treatment of, aetiologies, and cardiovascular and non-cardiovascular comorbidities is recommended in patients with HFpEF.	I	C
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<sup>a</sup>Class of recommendation. <sup>b</sup>Level of evidence.

ESC, European Society of Cardiology; HF, heart failure; HFpEF, heart failure with preserved ejection fraction.

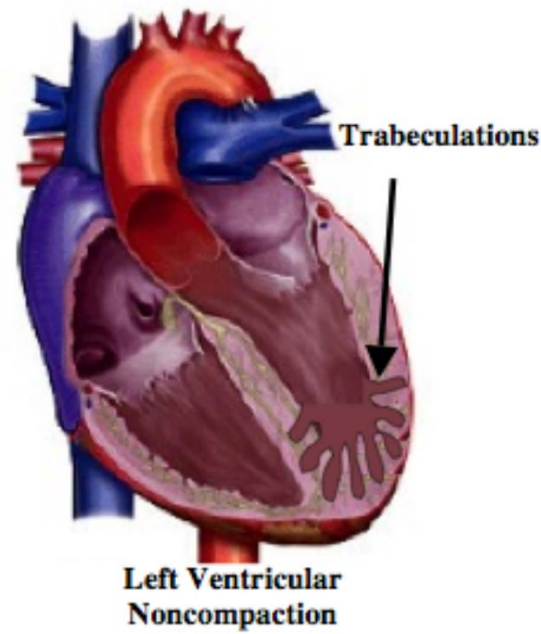
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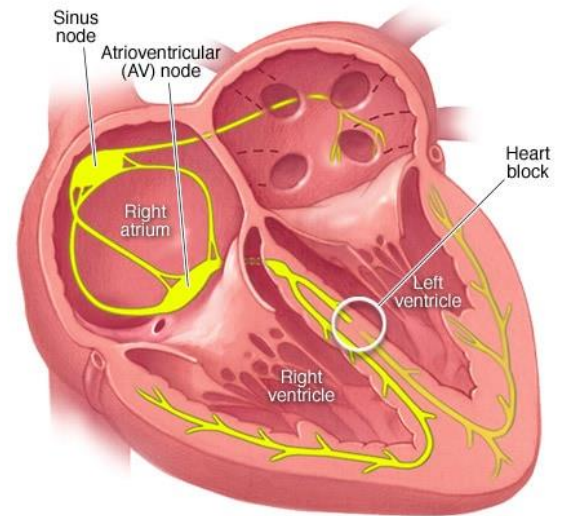
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Recommendations for HF With Preserved Ejection Fraction* Referenced studies that support the recommendations are summarized in the <a href="#">Online Data Supplements</a> .		
COR	LOE	Recommendations
1	C-LD	1. Patients with HFpEF and hypertension should have medication titrated to attain blood pressure targets in accordance with published clinical practice guidelines to prevent morbidity. <sup>1-3</sup>
2a	B-R	2. In patients with HFpEF, SGLT2i can be beneficial in decreasing HF hospitalizations and cardiovascular mortality. <sup>4</sup>
2a	C-EO	3. In patients with HFpEF, management of AF can be useful to improve symptoms.
2b	B-R	4. In selected patients with HFpEF, MRAs may be considered to decrease hospitalizations, particularly among patients with LVEF on the lower end of this spectrum. <sup>5-7</sup>
2b	B-R	5. In selected patients with HFpEF, the use of ARB may be considered to decrease hospitalizations, particularly among patients with LVEF on the lower end of this spectrum. <sup>8,9</sup>
2b	B-R	6. In selected patients with HFpEF, ARNi may be considered to decrease hospitalizations, particularly among patients with LVEF on the lower end of this spectrum. <sup>10,11</sup>
3: No-Benefit	B-R	7. In patients with HFpEF, routine use of nitrates or phosphodiesterase-5 inhibitors to increase activity or QOL is ineffective. <sup>12,13</sup>

# Cardiac phenotypes with potential pathologic progression to cardiomyopathy



## LBBB Cardiomyopathy



# Summary

Significant coronary artery disease should be excluded during evaluation process of newly diagnosed HF to establish ischemic vs. non-ischemic etiology

The diagnosis of ischemic vs. non-ischemic HF may alter the estimated risk of potential complications and expected prognosis.

The specific cause of non-ischemic cardiomyopathy should be sought since disease-specific therapy is available for certain conditions.

Genetic and imaging studies should be considered to evaluate the risk and to diagnose non-ischemic cardiomyopathy in asymptomatic individuals at risk.

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