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## **Insufficienza cardiaca cronica nell'anziano**

### **“La gestione di un paziente complesso”**

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# Heart Failure in the 21st Century: **CardioGeriatric Syndrome**

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**Dove risiede la complessità?**

**Chronic management**



**Acute worsening**



**Follow-up**

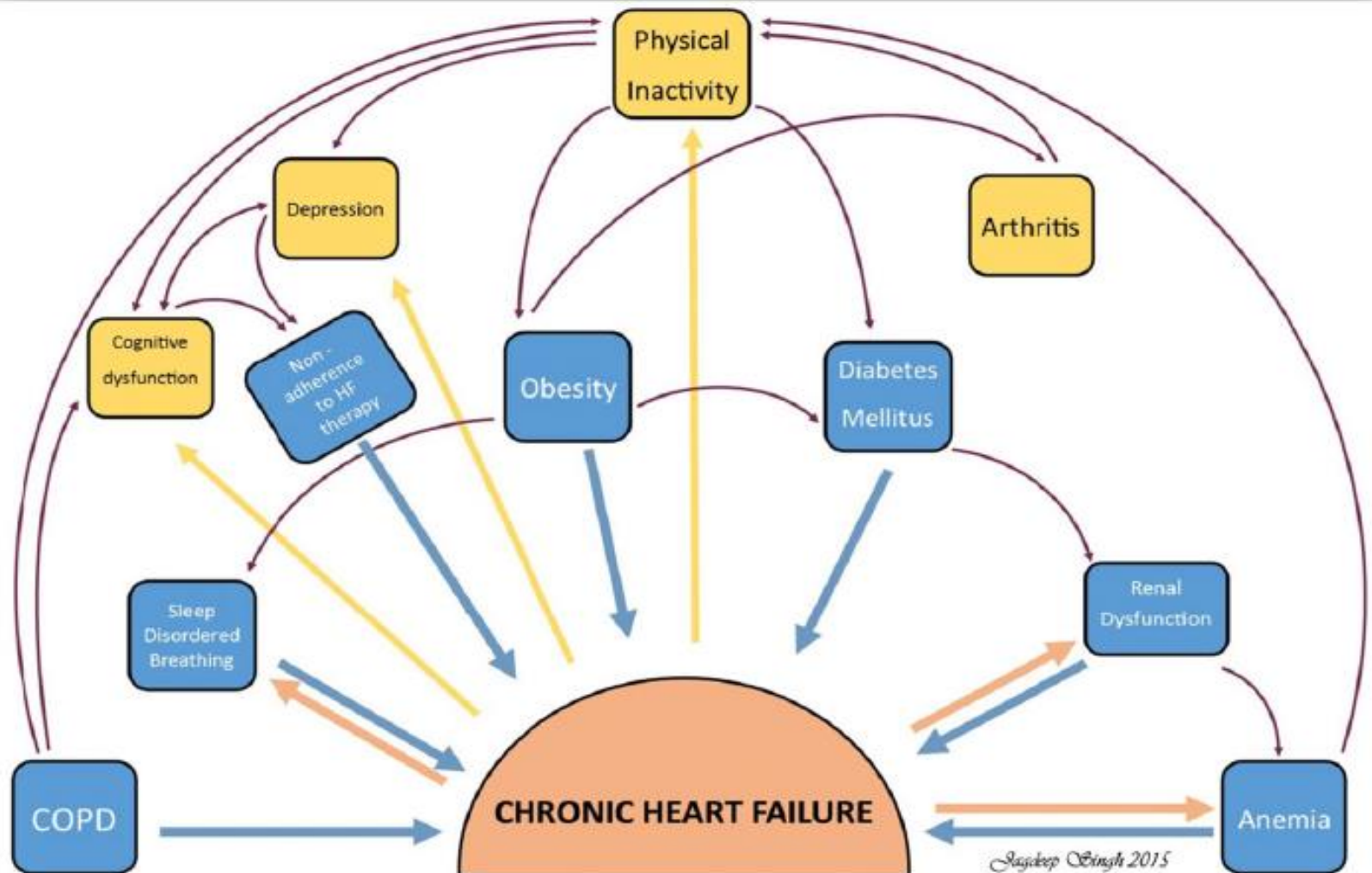


**End of life**

# **Chronic management**

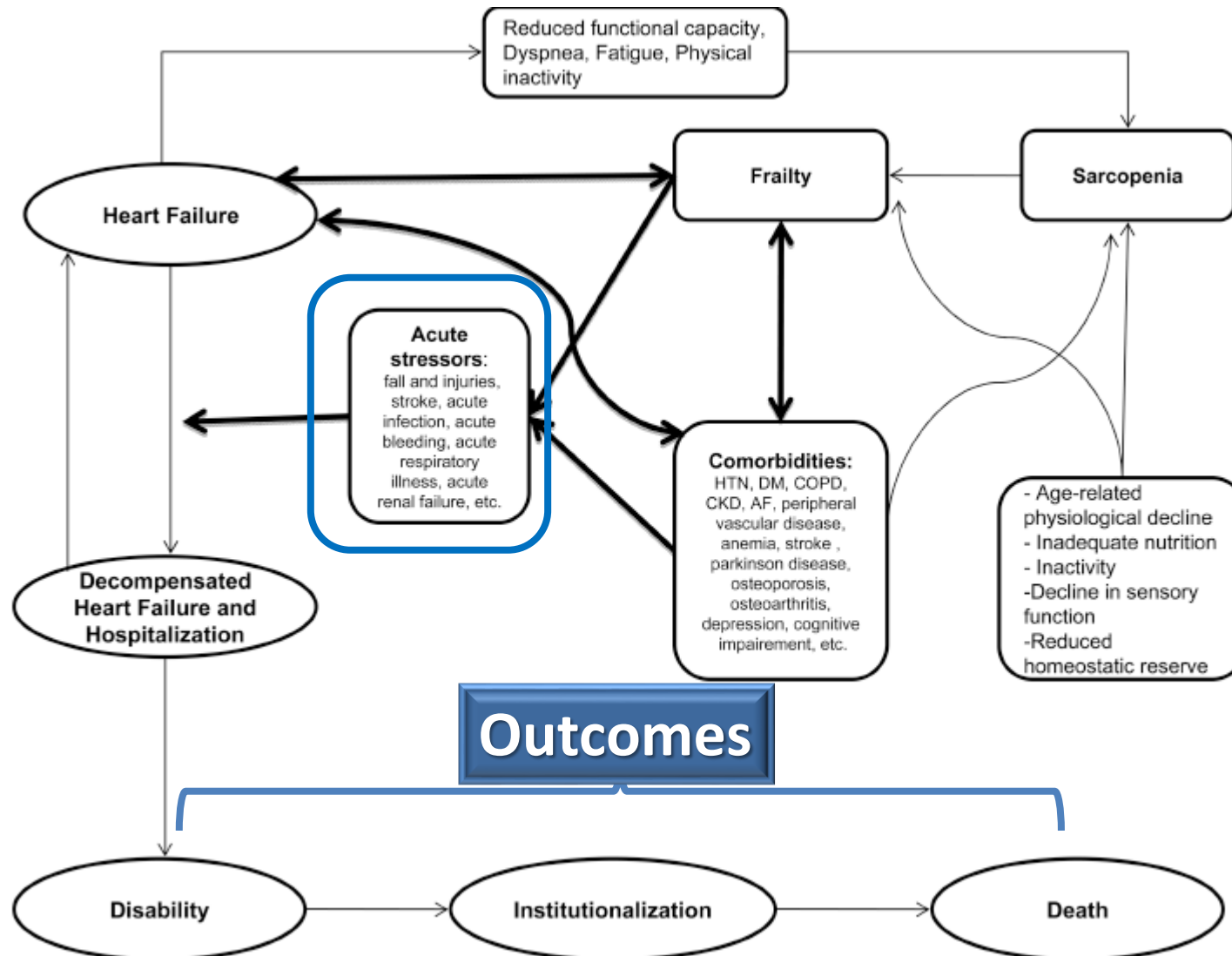
# Management of Noncardiac Comorbidities in Chronic Heart Failure

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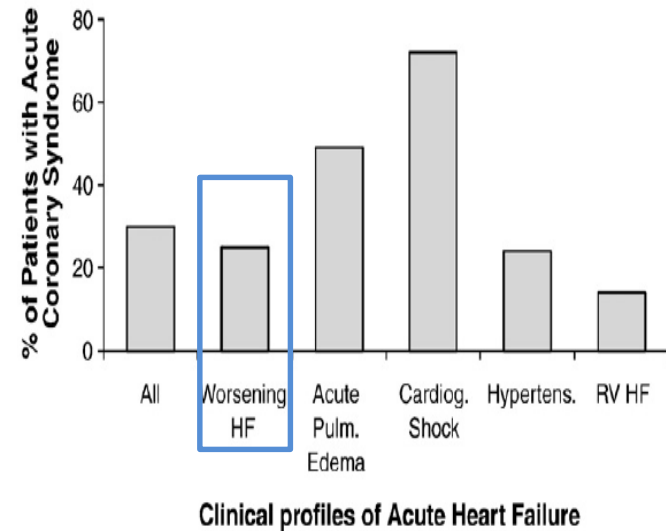
# Frailty and Multiple Comorbidities in the Elderly Patient with Heart Failure: Implications for Management

*Heart Fail Rev.* 2012 September ; 17(0): 581–588.

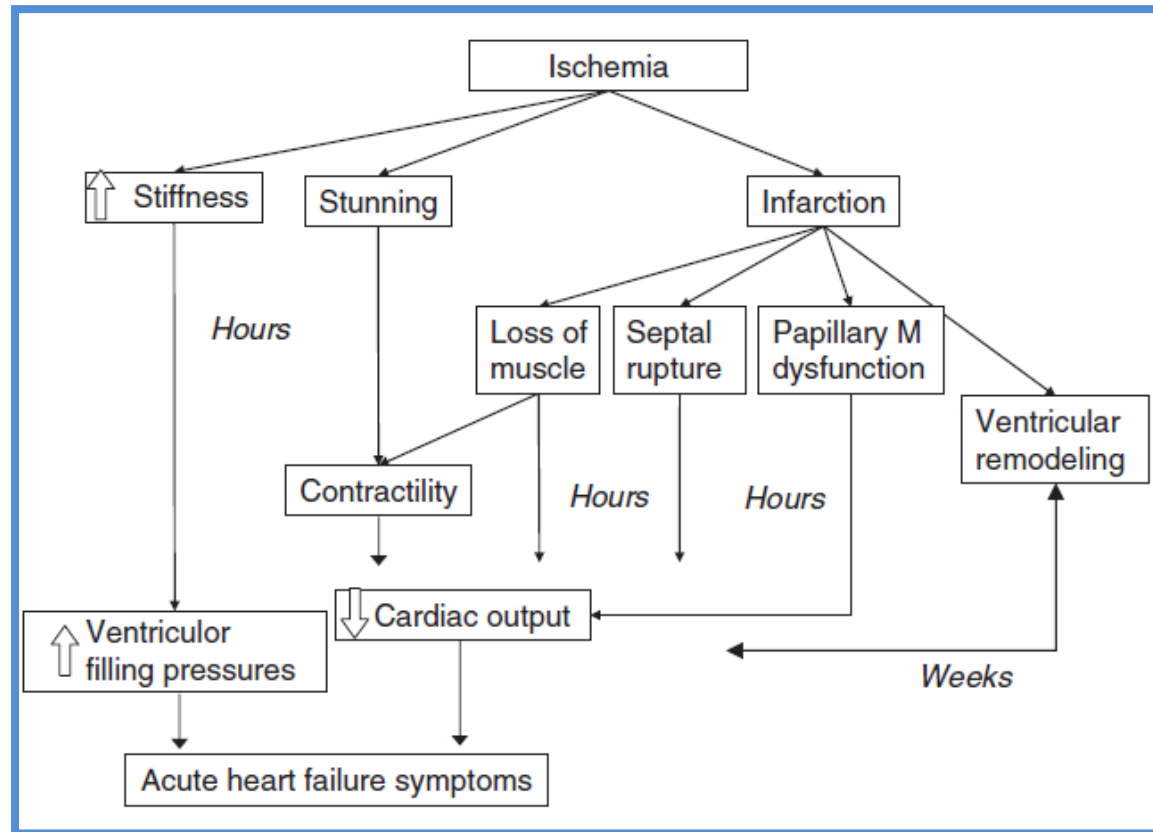


**Acute worsening**

# Stressors cardiologici (ischemia miocardica)



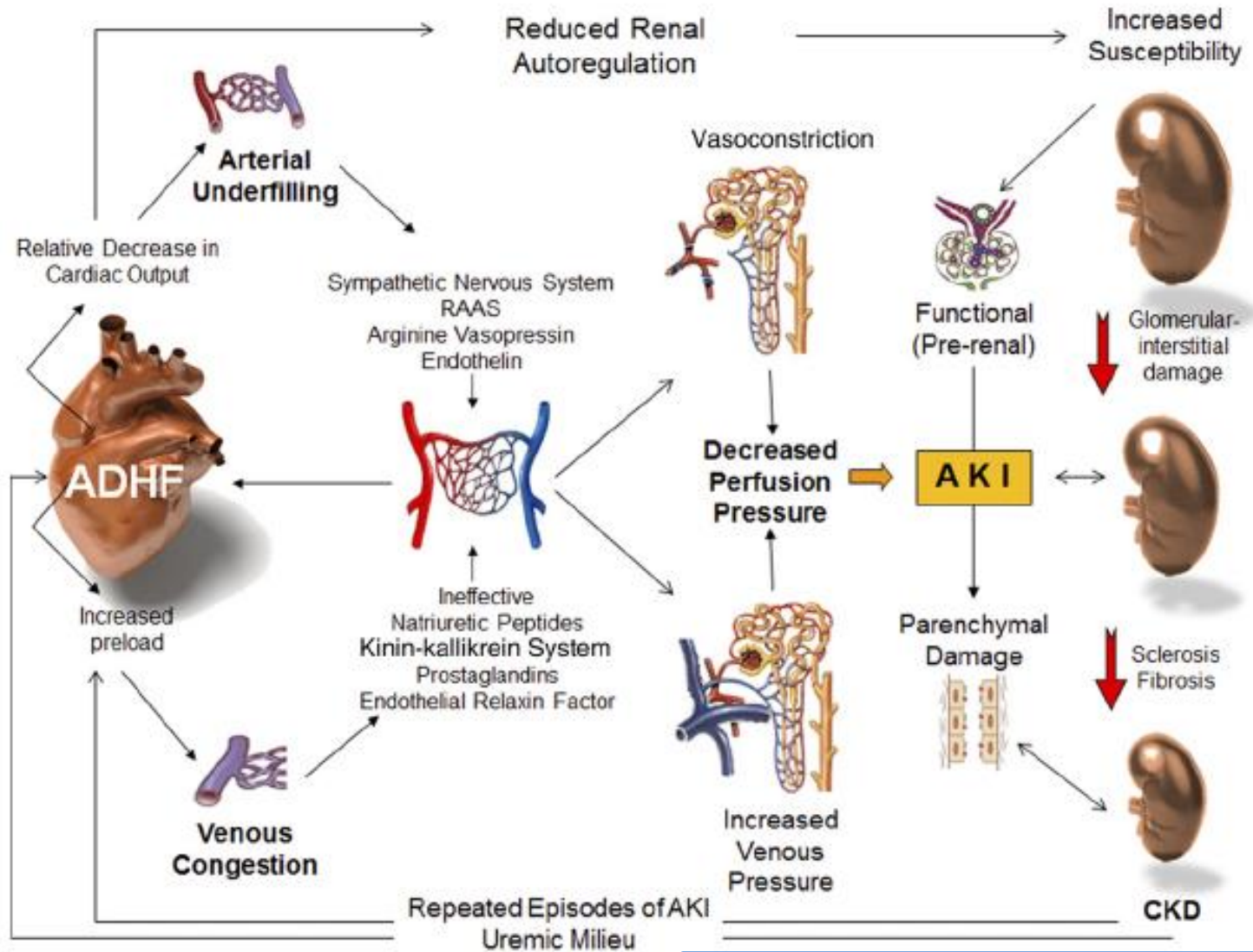
1) The role of ACS as the pathogenic mechanism of acute HF may vary according to the clinical scenario and ACS account for more than half of the cases of cardiogenic shock, the clinical profile of acute HF associated with the highest in-hospital mortality rate .



2) On the other hand, myocardial ischemia and necrosis may occur during an episode of acute HF as a consequence of a transient reduction in coronary perfusion due to increased left ventricular filling pressure, reduced systemic arterial blood pressure, tachycardia, coronary vasoconstriction and endothelial dysfunction mediated by neurohormonal activation

# Stressors cardiologici (fluid overload)

Starting  
point



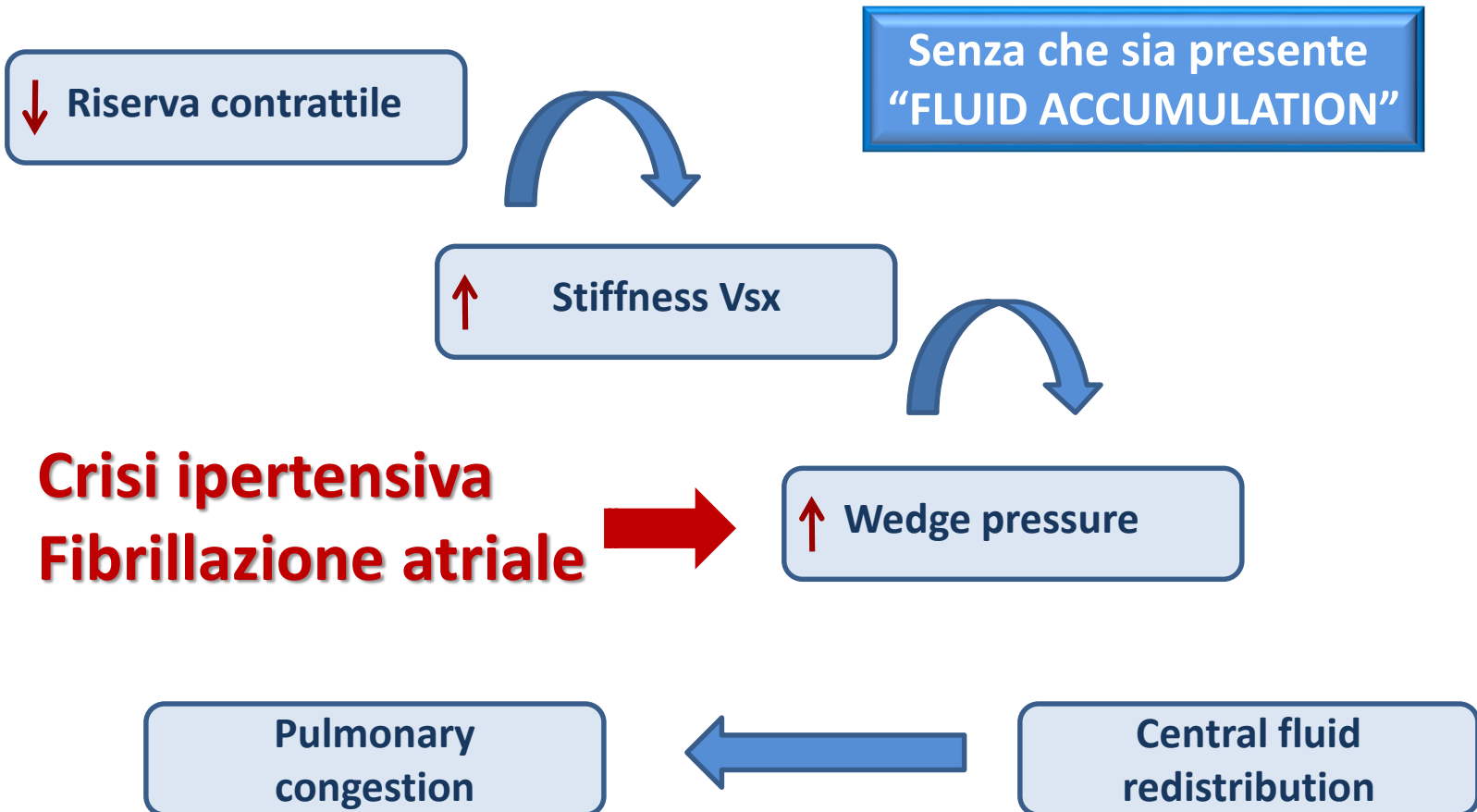
La sindrome cardio-renale; Type 1



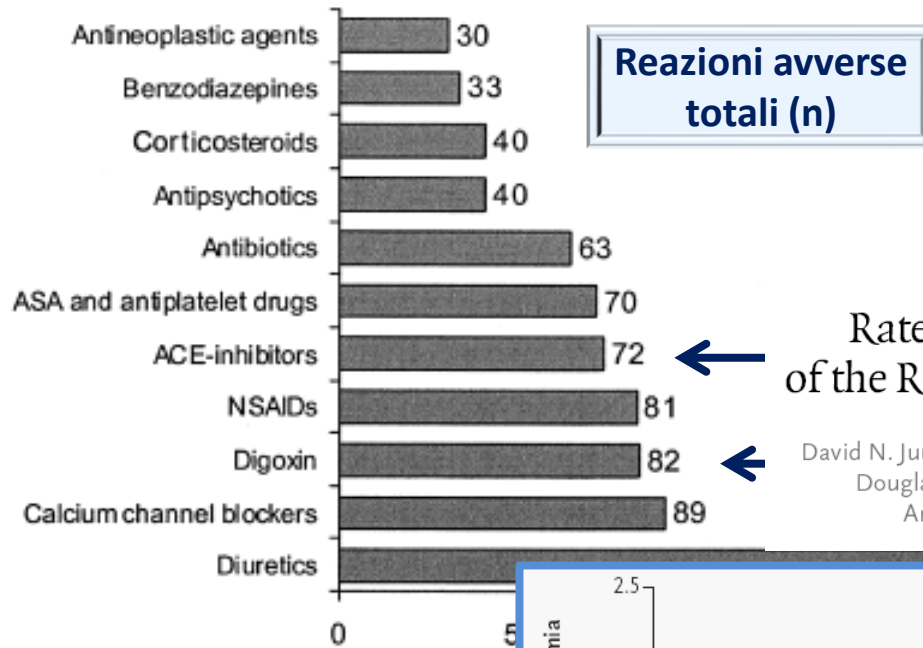
# Stressors cardiologici (fluid redistribution)

## The pathophysiology of acute heart failure—Is it all about fluid accumulation?

Gad Cotter, MD,<sup>a</sup> G. Michael Felker, MD,<sup>a</sup> Kirkwood F. Adams, MD,<sup>b</sup> Olga Milo-Cotter, MD,<sup>a</sup> and Christopher M. O'Connor, MD<sup>a</sup> *Durham and Chapel Hill, NC*

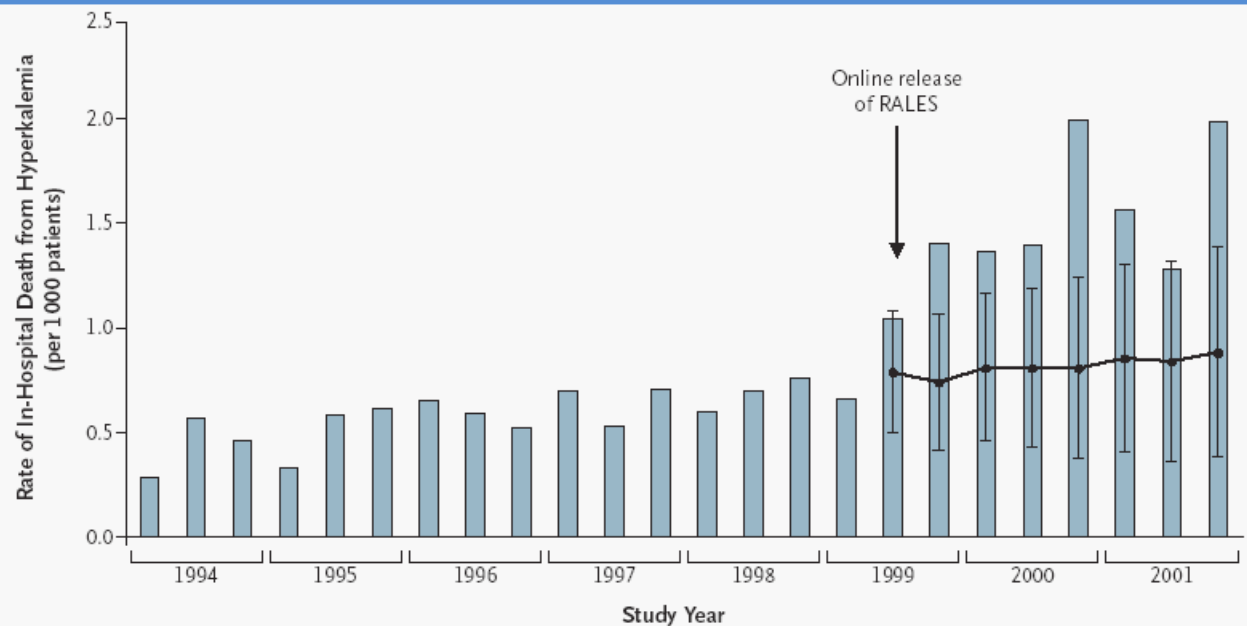


# Stressors cardiologici (Adverse Drug Reactions)



## Rates of Hyperkalemia after Publication of the Randomized Aldactone Evaluation Study

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# Stressors **NON** cardiologici (**Infections**)


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Patients with worsening chronic heart failure who present to a hospital emergency department require hospital care

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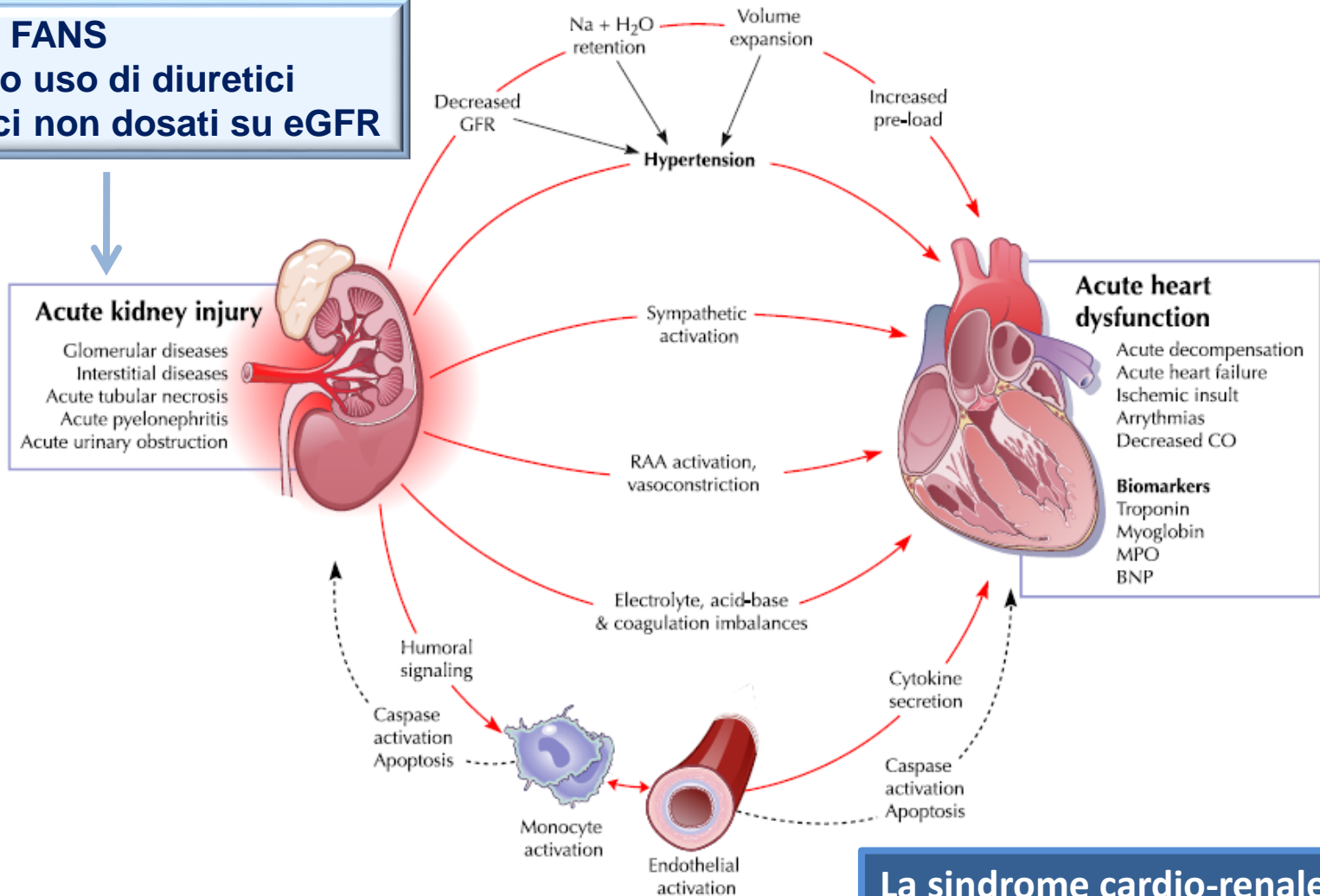
**Table 2 Reasons for hospital admission in patients with worsening CHF (The patient's one reason)**

Reason for hospital admission	Proportion
Pneumonia/respiratory disease 	35.4%
Need to monitor cardiac rhythm	15.6%
Communication problem (such as dementia, stroke and aphasia)	22.3%
Pulmonary oedema	11.3%
Myocardial infarction	6.2%
Anaemia*	5.2%
Pathologic blood chemistry other than haemoglobin**	3.7%
Hypotension	2.1%

**Pneumonia and other respiratory diseases were the most common reason for hospital admission among patients with CHF in our study**

# Stressors **NON** cardiologici (**Acute Kidney injury**)

- ✓ **Abuso di FANS**
- ✓ **Incongruo uso di diuretici**
- ✓ **Antibiotici non dosati su eGFR**



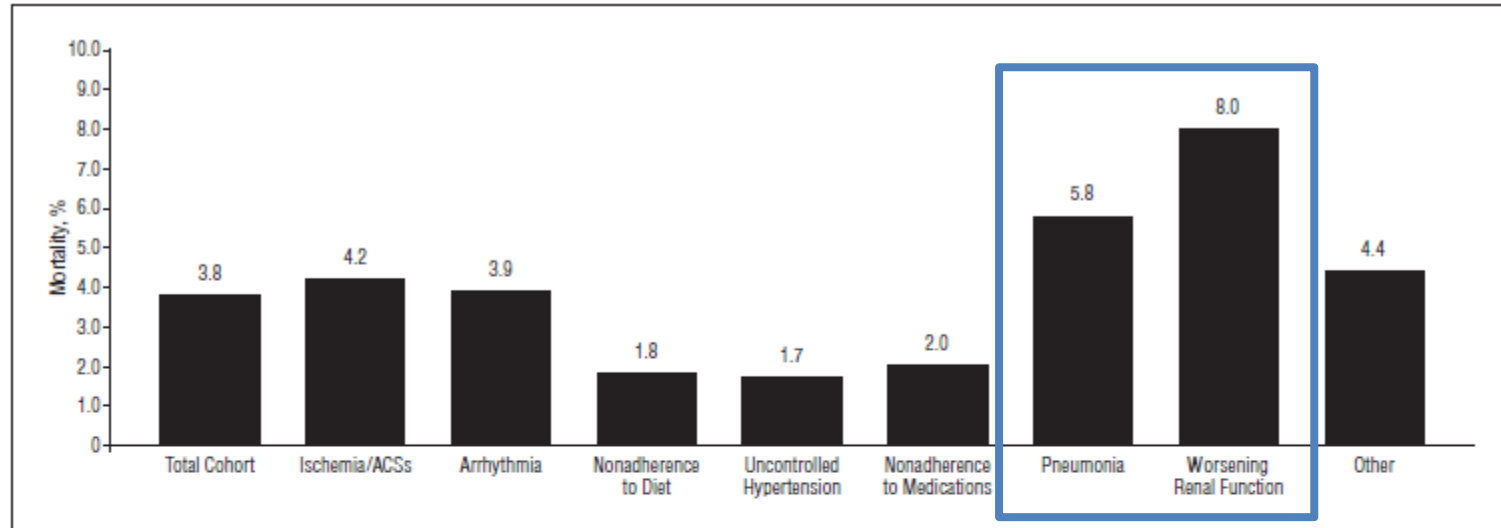
**La sindrome cardio-renale**  
**Type 3**



# Factors Identified as Precipitating Hospital Admissions for Heart Failure and Clinical Outcomes

Findings From OPTIMIZE-HF

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**Figure.** Unadjusted in-hospital mortality rates by precipitating factors for heart failure admission. ACSs indicates acute coronary syndromes.

**Table 2. Precipitating Factors and Multivariate Risk-Adjusted In-Hospital Clinical Outcomes**

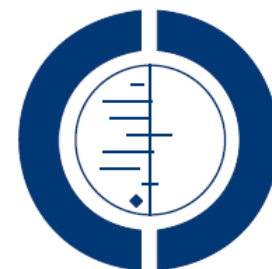
Factor	No. of Patients	Adjusted Length of Stay Ratio	P Value	In-Hospital Mortality	
				Adjusted Odds Ratio (95% Confidence Interval)	P Value
Ischemia/acute coronary syndrome	7155	0.99	.22	1.20 (1.03-1.40)	.02
Arrhythmia	6552	1.04	<.001	0.85 (0.71-1.01)	.07
Nonadherence to diet	2504	0.96	.01	0.69 (0.48-1.00)	.05
Uncontrolled hypertension	5220	0.96	<.001	0.74 (0.55-0.99)	.04
Nonadherence to medications	4309	0.96	<.001	0.88 (0.67-1.17)	.39
Pneumonia/respiratory process	7426	1.08	<.001	1.60 (1.38-1.85)	<.001
Worsening renal function	3304	1.09	<.001	1.48 (1.23-1.79)	<.001
Other	6171	0.99	.23	1.15 (0.97-1.36)	.10



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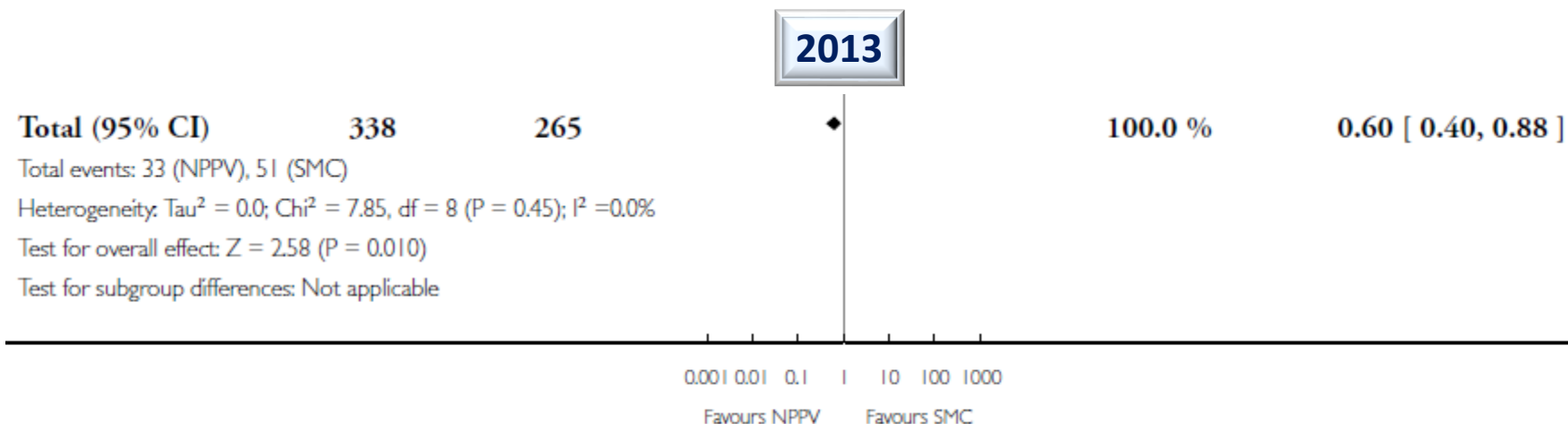
## Non-invasive positive pressure ventilation (CPAP or bilevel NPPV) for cardiogenic pulmonary oedema (Review)

Vital FMR, Ladcira MT, Atallah ÁN



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### Analysis 1.5. Comparison 1 Hospital mortality, Outcome 5 NPPV (CPAP and BILEVEL) X SMC - in patients hypercanics - baseline.

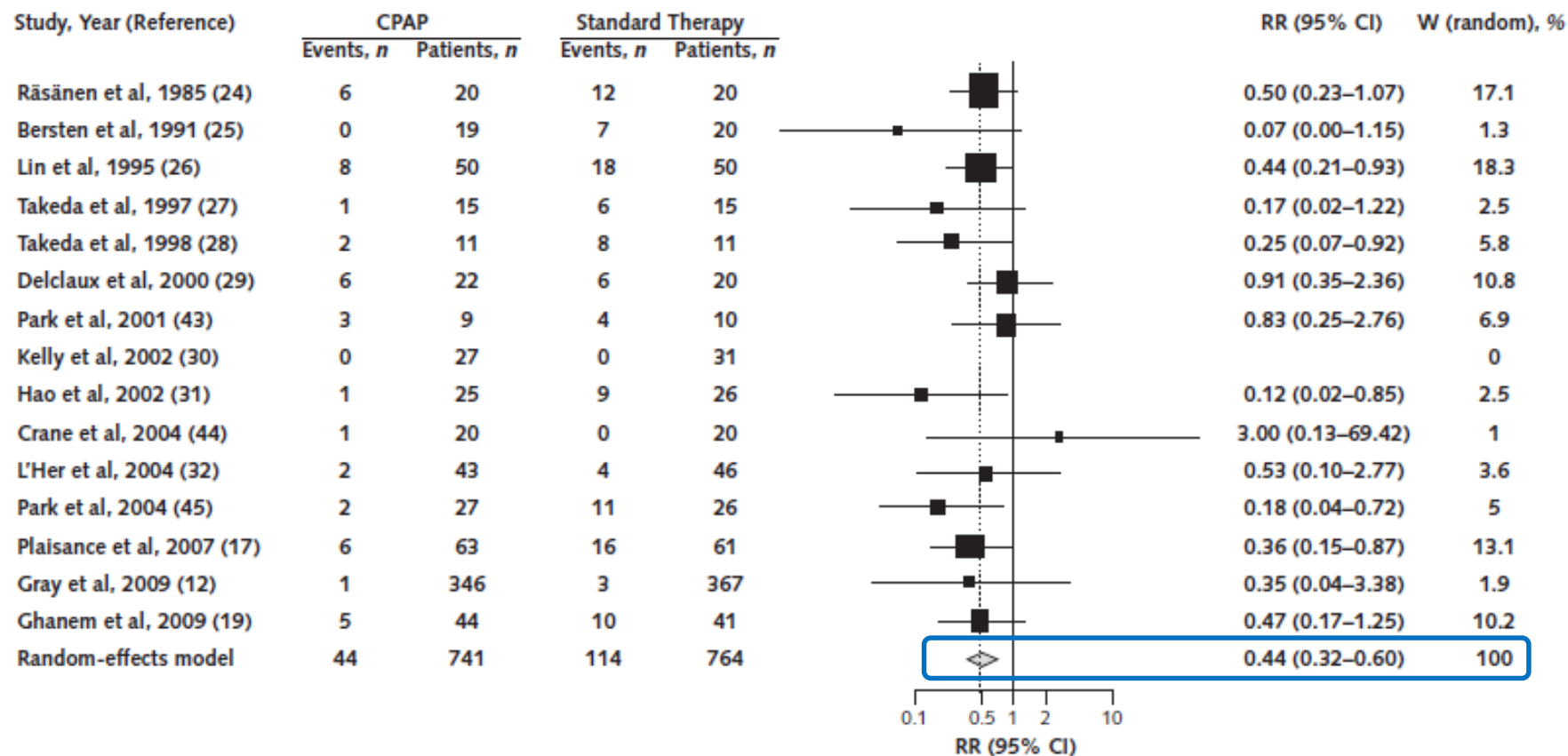


### Authors' conclusions

NPPV in addition to standard medical care is an effective and safe intervention for the treatment of adult patients with acute cardiogenic pulmonary oedema. The evidence to date on the potential benefit of NPPV in reducing mortality is entirely derived from small-trials and further large-scale trials are needed.

## Meta-analysis: Noninvasive Ventilation in Acute Cardiogenic Pulmonary Edema

Figure 2. Forest plot for need for intubation.

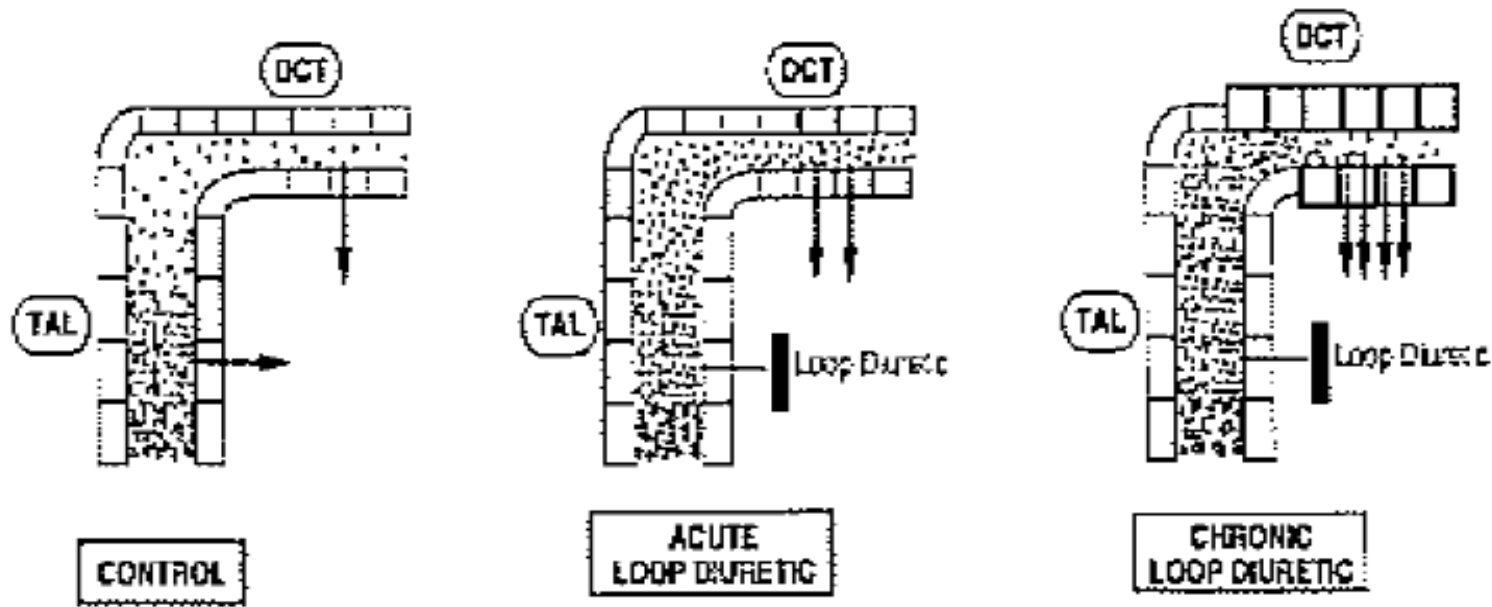


In conclusion, findings from this meta-analysis support previous assessments that the use of CPAP reduces mortality and intubation rates in patients with ACPE, especially those with myocardial ischemia or MI at presentation, and bilevel ventilation reduces the need for intubation compared with standard therapy.

# Diuretic Resistance: Physiology and Therapeutics

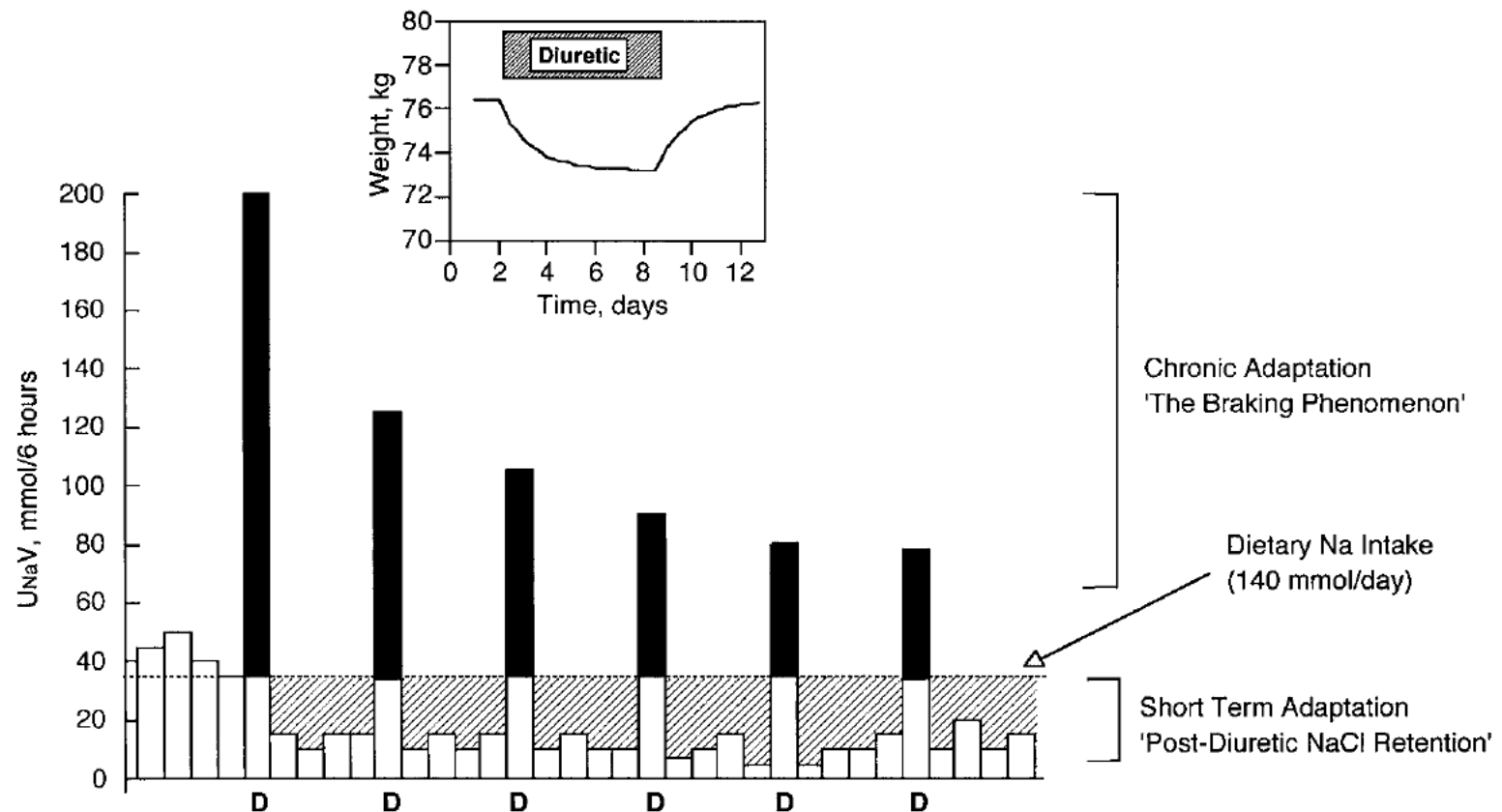
By David H. Ellison

## The central role of DISTAL TUBE





# Postdiuresis Sodium Retention-the braking phenomenon



The horizontal broken line indicates the level of Na intake. Solid shading shows periods of negative Na balance and diagonal shading periods of positive Na balance.

# Adaptation of the Distal Convoluted Tubule of the Rat

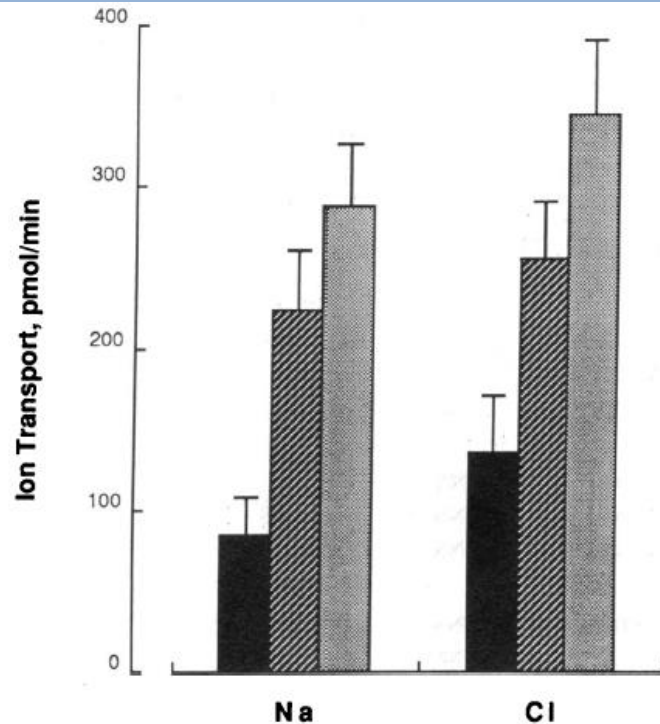
## Structural and Functional Effects of Dietary Salt Intake and Chronic Diuretic Infusion

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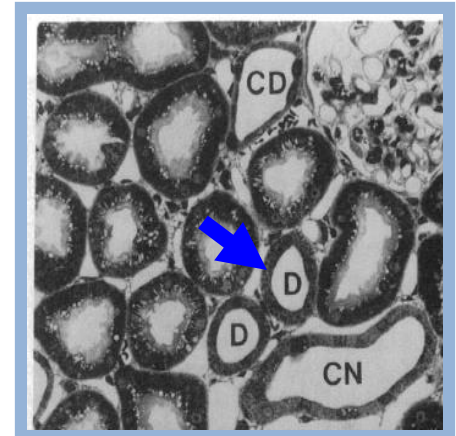


**Figure 3.** Ion transport by DCT (+SE) estimated as the CTZ-sensitive portion of Na and Cl transport by the distal tubule. There were 17 nephrons in 8 animals in group 1, 16 nephrons in 7 animals in group 2, and 14 nephrons in 8 animals in group 3. Sodium absorption was significantly greater ( $P < 0.01$ ) in groups 2 and 3 (low NaCl and furosemide) than in group 1 (high NaCl). Chloride absorption was significantly greater in group 3 (furosemide,  $P < 0.05$ ) than in group 1 (high NaCl).

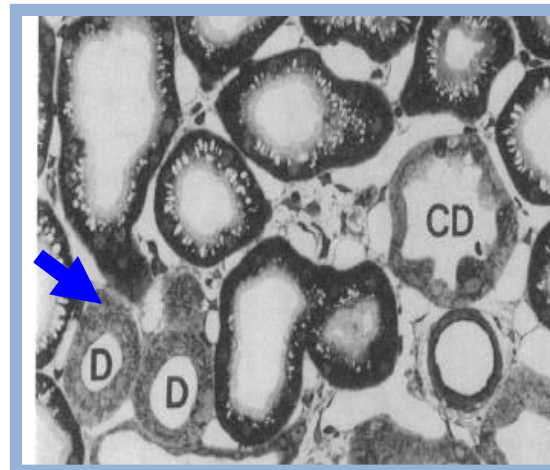
Group 1



Group 2



Group 3



Group 1  
high [Na] dietary intake

Group 2  
Low [Na] dietary intake

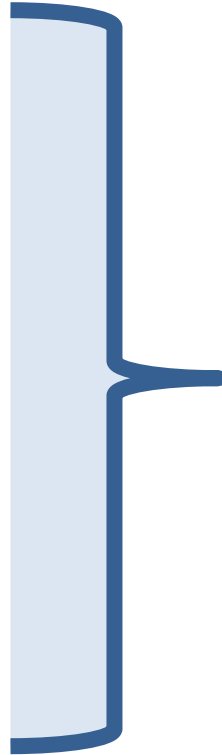
Group 3  
Chronic furosemide infusion

# Other MECHANISMS of Diuretic Resistance

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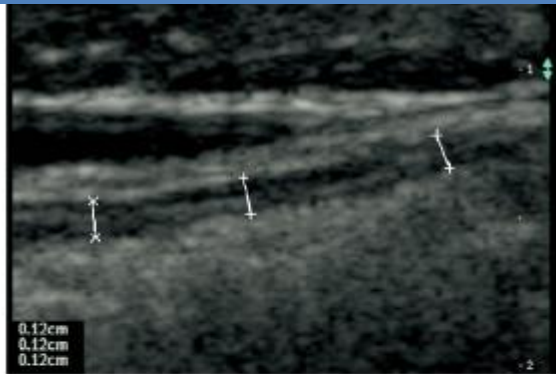
**Non compliance  
alla restrizione idrica**

**Aumento marcato  
della vasopressina  
da stimolo non osmotico**

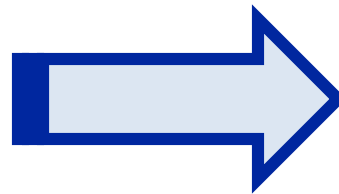


**IPONATREMIA  
DA DILUIZIONE**

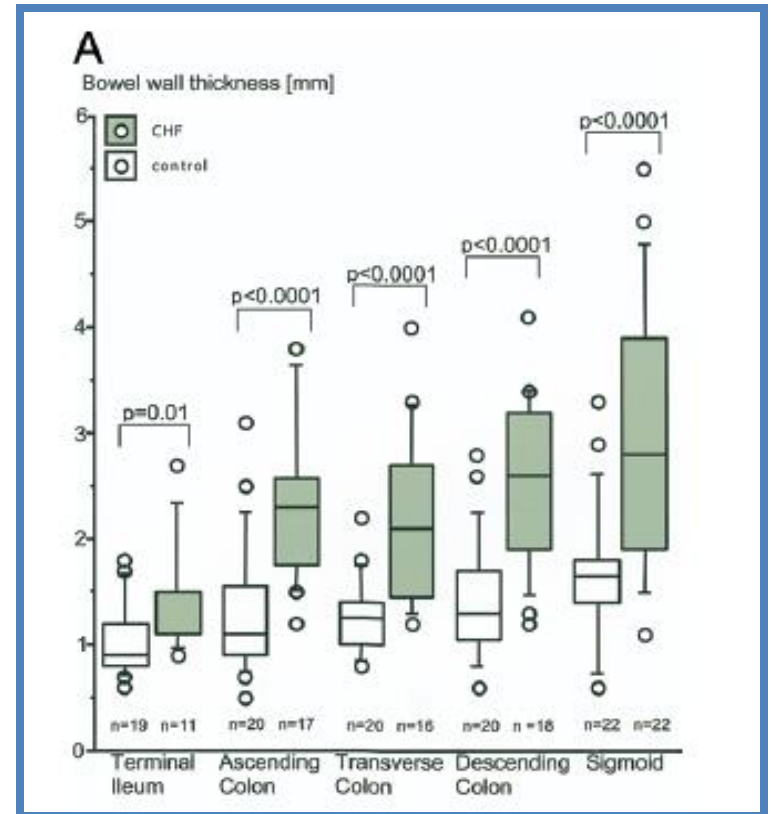
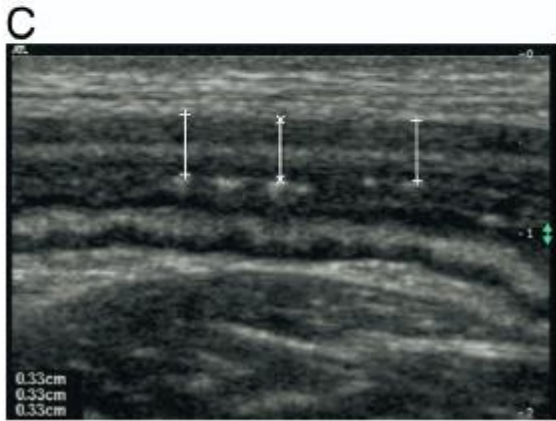
## Altered Intestinal Function in Patients With Chronic Heart Failure



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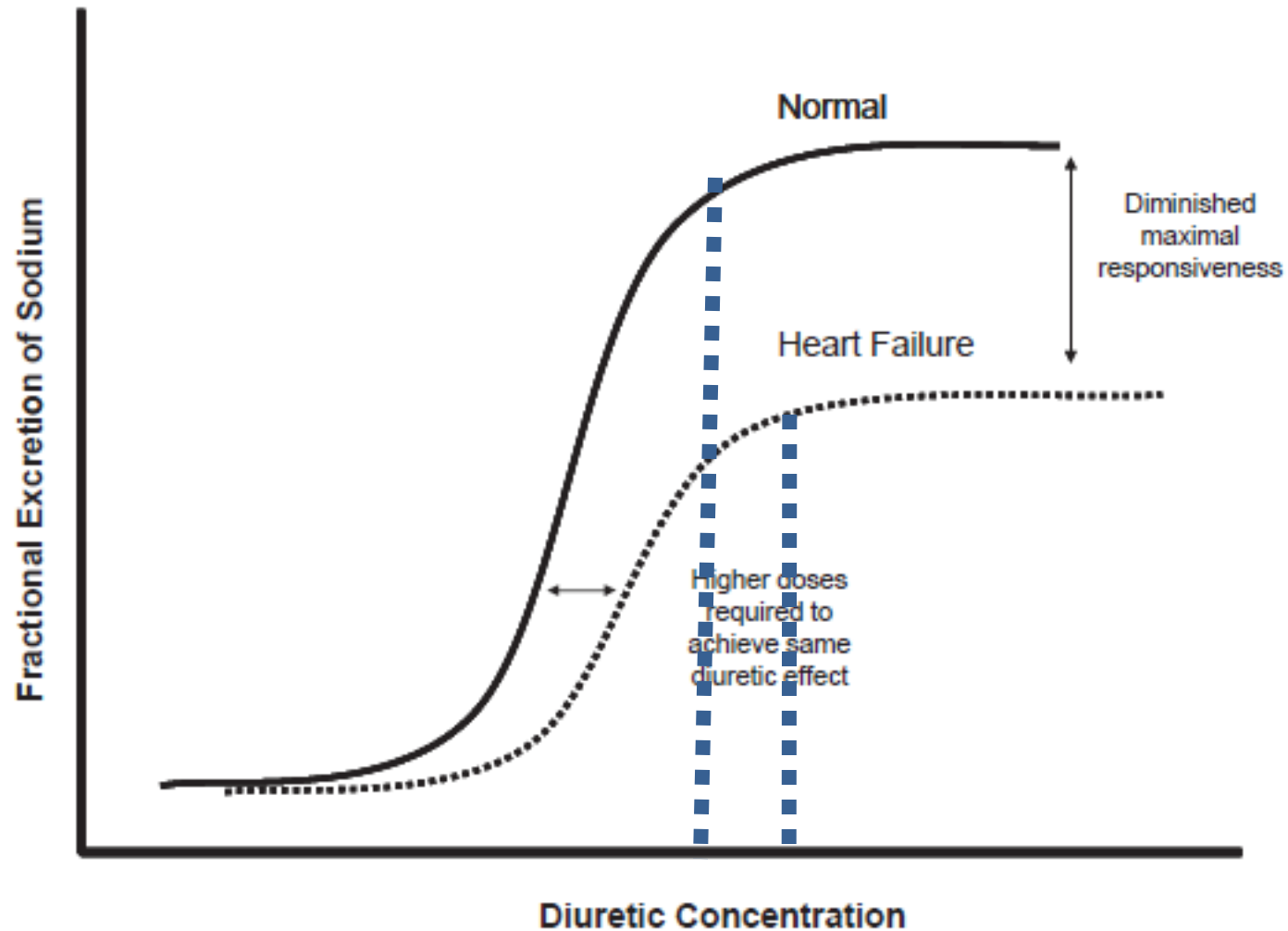


Pts with CHF

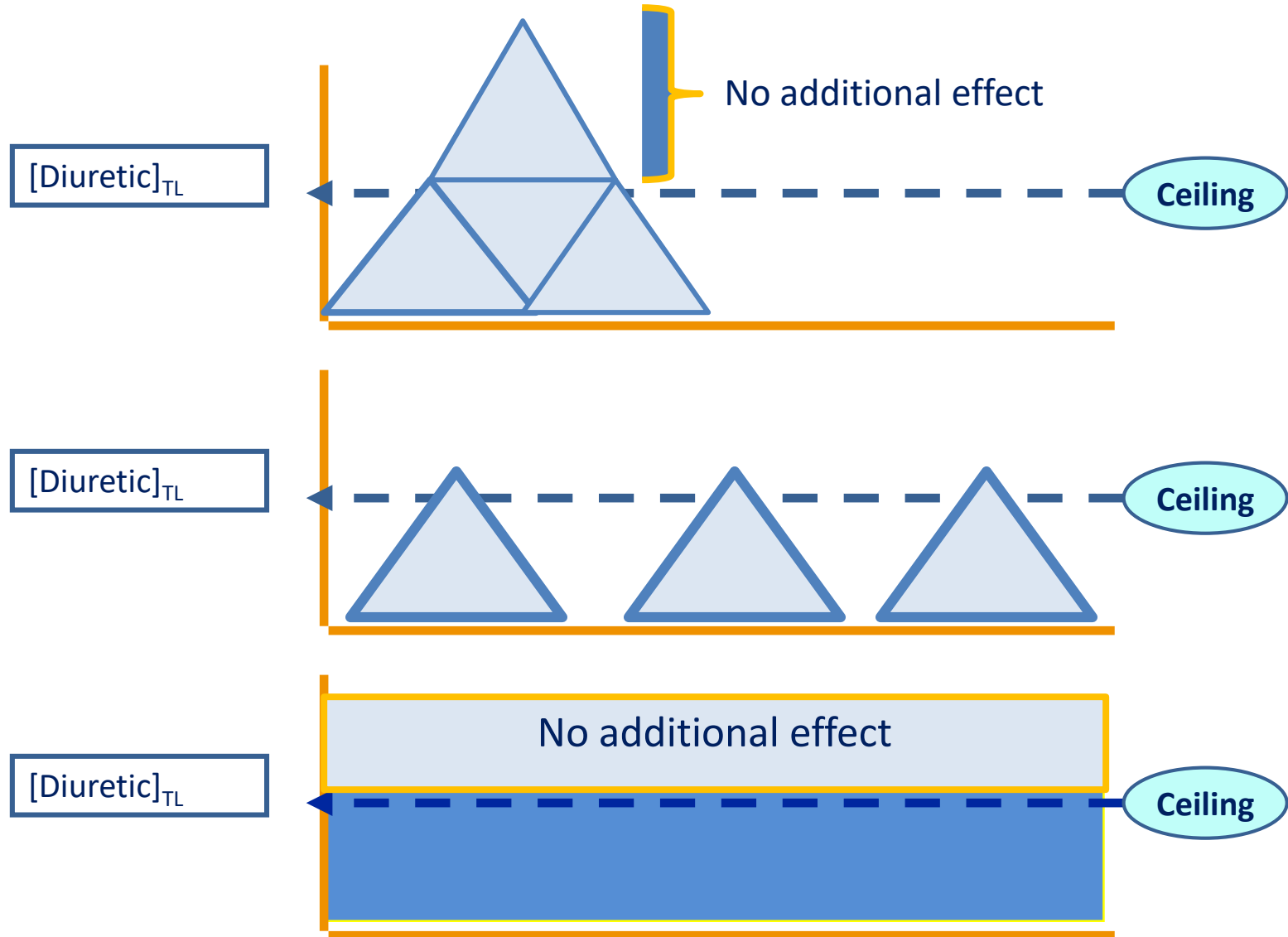


We have found significant morphological and functional alterations of the intestine in CHF patients. These findings are consistent with restricted intestinal perfusion and consequent mucosal edema, a higher intestinal permeability, and a lack of immunological defense with an augmented bacterial biofilm.

## Concetto di CELING DOSE



# Concetto di CELING DOSE e rationale utilizzo dei diuretici



# Combination diuretic therapy

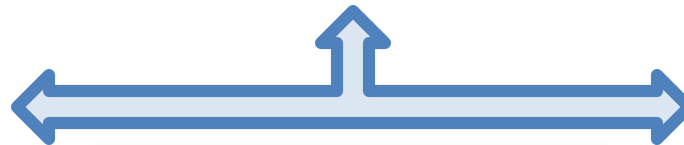
*Come usarla?*

**Un Tiazidico**

INPATIENT



2.5 to 5 mg once  
or twice daily



**metolazone**

OUTPATIENT



2.5 mg daily;  
2 to 3 times weekly

Initiation of CDT should be done with careful observation and frequent monitoring of renal function and electrolytes.



**Table 1. Current guidelines recommendations**

Expert Group	Comment
ACC/AHA [6]	UF is reasonable for patients with refractory congestion not responding to medical therapy. (see the text for definition). (Class of recommendation IIa, level of evidence: B)  If the degree of renal dysfunction is severe or if oedema becomes resistant to treatment, UF or haemofiltration may be needed to achieve adequate control of fluid retention. This can produce clinical benefits and may restore responsiveness to conventional doses of loop diuretics.
ESC [7]	UF should be considered to reduce fluid overload (pulmonary and/or peripheral oedema) in selected patients and correct hyponatraemia in symptomatic patients refractory to diuretics. (Class of recommendation IIa, level of evidence: B)
CCVS [25]	In highly selected patients and under experienced supervision, intermittent slow continuous veno-venous UF may be considered (Weak Recommendation, Low-quality Evidence).



## CONCLUSIONS

It is altogether evident from what herein reviewed that UF, as most other effective therapeutic strategies, should be reserved for the right patients and should be undertaken by experienced teams. Prospective studies guided by the degree of pulmonary congestion are necessary to establish the correct placing of this novel and effective treatment of congestion in patients with ADHF.



**Follow-up**

# Rehospitalization for Heart Failure

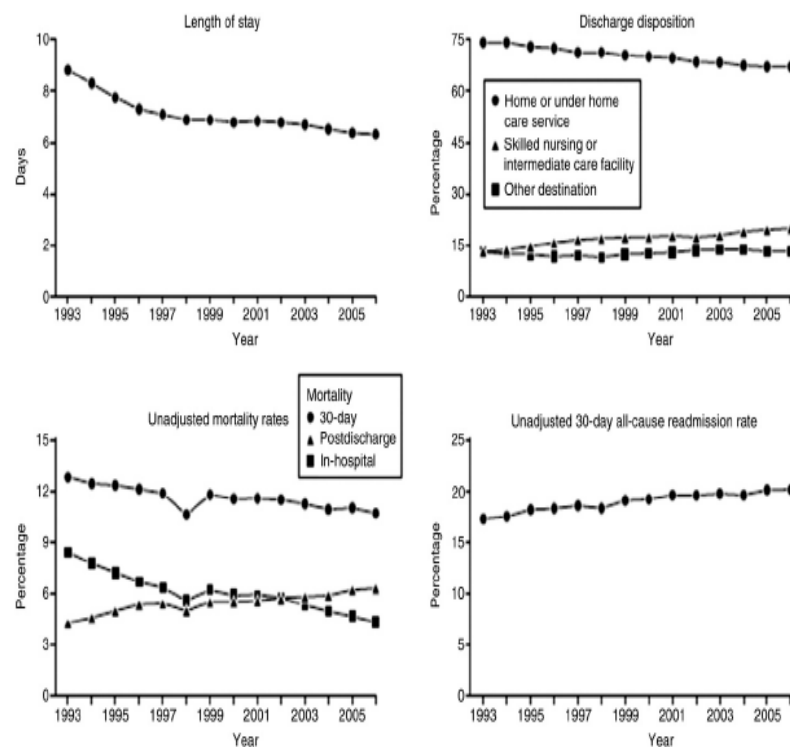
## Problems and Perspectives

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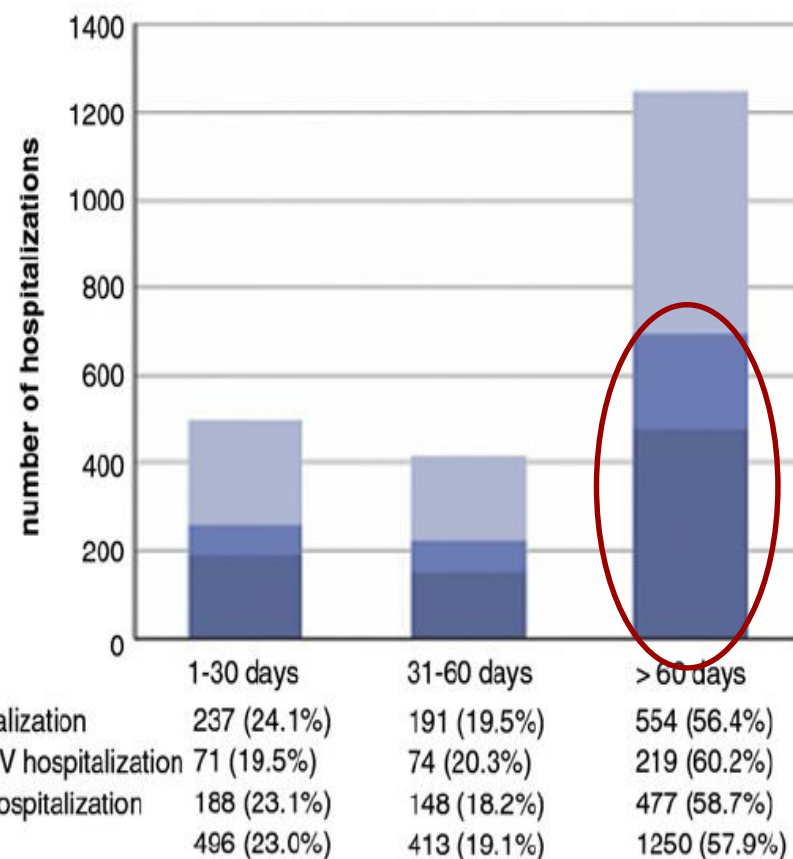
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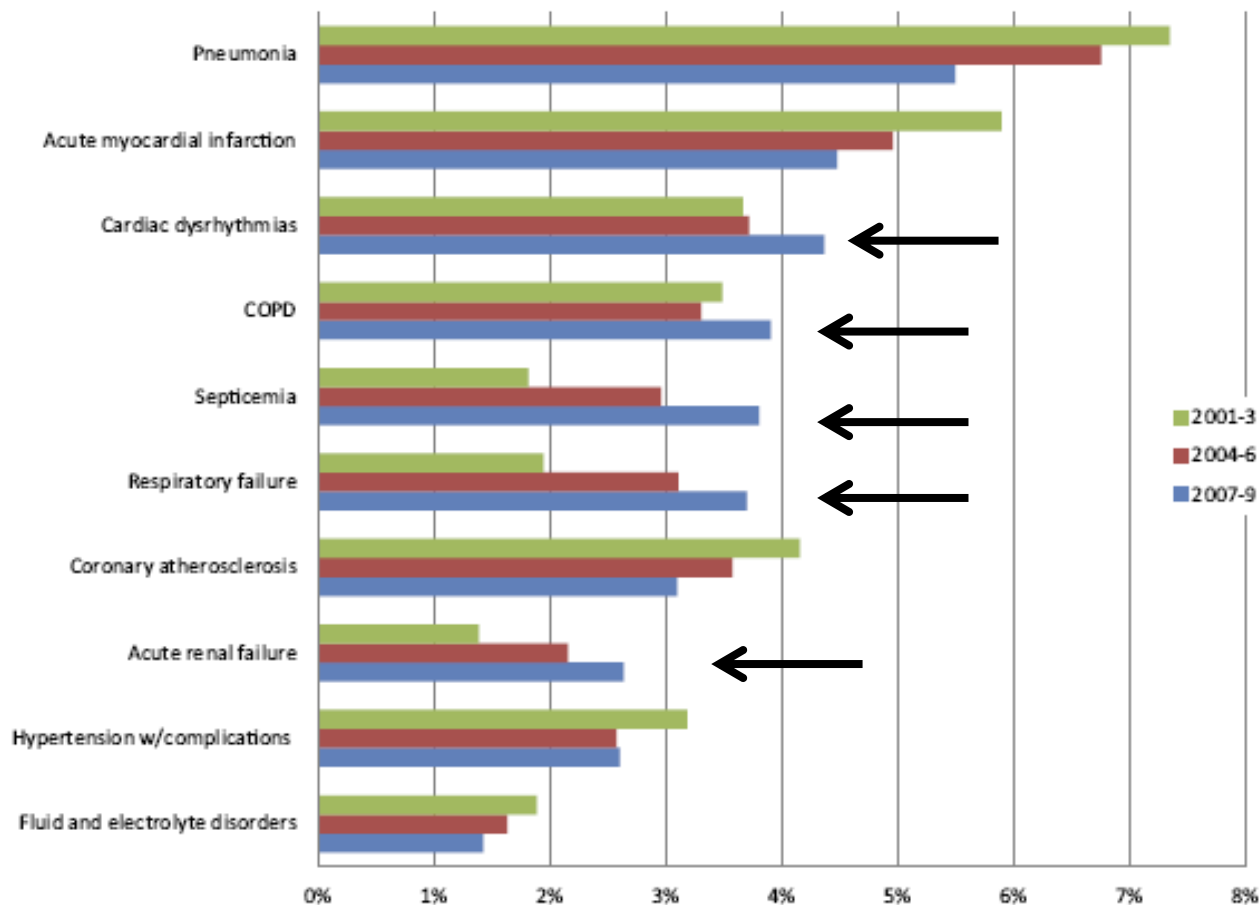
**Figure 1** Hospitalization for HF in the United States



## Heart Failure–Associated Hospitalizations in the United States

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.....Strategies to reduce the high burden of hospitalizations of heart failure patients should include consideration of **both cardiac disease and noncardiac conditions.....**

## Clinical Research

# Determinants of Early Readmission After Hospitalization for Heart Failure

**Table 2.** Risk-adjusted models for nonelective readmission for patients discharged alive after a first hospitalization with a most responsible diagnosis of HF<sup>a</sup>

Outcome (N = 18,590)	Readmission within 7 days for all causes	Readmission within 7 days for HF	Readmission within 30 days for all causes	Readmission within 30 days for HF
Male sex	0.97 (0.85-1.10)	1.03 (0.84-1.27)	0.98 (0.90-1.06)	1.04 (0.92-1.17)
Age (y)				
20-49	Reference	Reference	Reference	Reference
50-64	0.85 (0.57-1.27)	0.71 (0.38-1.33)	1.12 (0.87-1.44)	0.94 (0.64-1.39)
65-74	0.99 (0.68-1.45)	0.90 (0.50-1.61)	1.19 (0.94-1.52)	1.07 (0.74-1.56)
≥ 75	1.12 (0.78-1.61)	1.05 (0.60-1.83)	1.36 (1.08-1.72)	1.43 (1.00-2.05)
Admission year	—	—	—	—
Myocardial infarction	—	—	—	—
Peripheral vascular disease	—	—	—	—
Cerebrovascular disease	—	—	0.73 (0.56-0.94)	0.64 (0.42-0.99)
Dementia	—	—	—	—
Pulmonary disease	—	—	1.14 (1.05-1.24)	—
Liver disease	—	—	1.41 (1.07-1.85)	—
Diabetes	—	—	—	—
Kidney disease	1.28 (1.08-1.53)	—	1.37 (1.24-1.52)	1.43 (1.23-1.67)
Cancer	—	—	1.51 (1.10-1.55)	—
Atrial fibrillation	—	—	—	1.14 (1.01-1.29)
Transferred to index hospital	1.22 (1.02-1.46)	—	1.21 (1.09-1.35)	—
Length of stay				
1-7 d	Reference	—	—	—
8-14 d	1.03 (0.89-1.20)	—	—	—
15-29 d	1.04 (0.86-1.26)	—	—	—
≥ 30 d	0.65 (0.47-0.90)	—	—	—
Disposition				
Home	Reference	—	Reference	Reference
Home care	1.26 (1.07-1.49)	1.28 (1.01-1.63)	1.23 (1.11-1.35)	1.17 (1.02-1.34)
Long-term care	0.77 (0.57-1.04)	0.81 (0.54-1.22)	0.66 (0.56-0.78)	0.65 (0.51-0.83)
Discharge against medical advice	4.47 (3.10-6.46)	4.60 (2.70-7.86)	3.10 (2.33-4.13)	3.16 (2.16-4.61)
Attending physician specialty	—	—	—	—
Hospital with HF services	0.65 (0.57-0.74)	0.67 (0.54-0.82)	0.71 (0.65-0.77)	0.81 (0.72-0.92)

# Transitional Care Interventions to Prevent Readmissions for Persons With Heart Failure

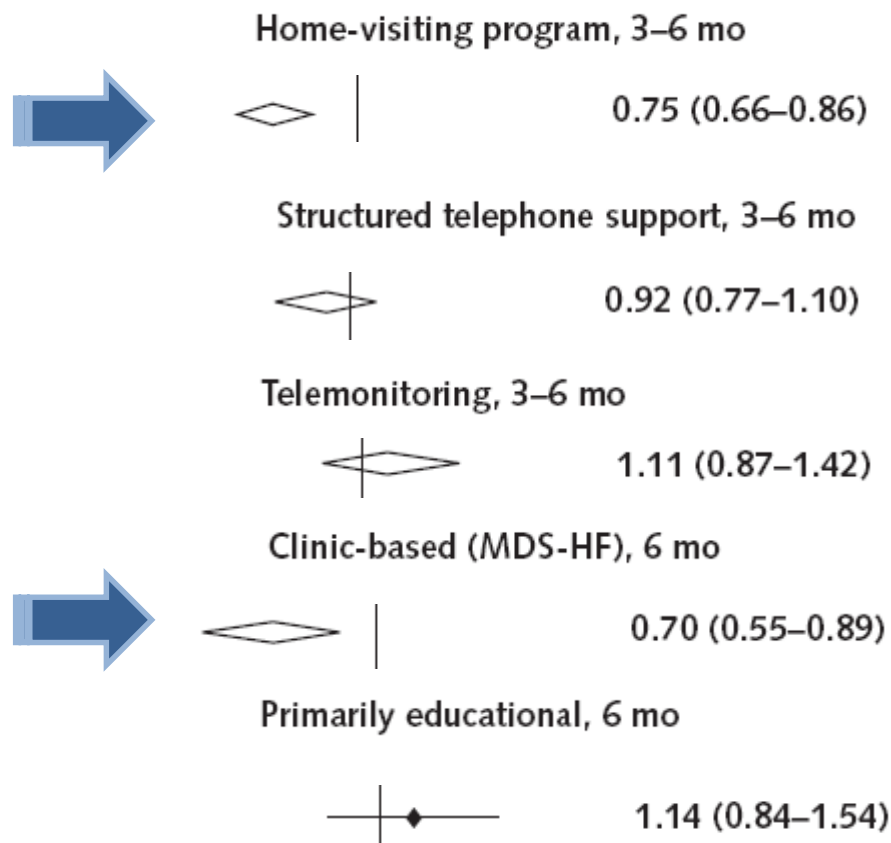
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A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis

Table 1. Transitional Care Interventions

Category	Definition
Home-visiting programs	Home visits by clinicians, such as a nurse or pharmacist, who educate, reinforce self-care instructions, perform physical examination, or provide other care (e.g., physical therapy or medication reconciliation). These interventions are often referred to as nurse case management interventions, but they also can include home visits by a pharmacist or multidisciplinary team.
STS	Monitoring, education, or self-care management (or various combinations) using simple telephone technology after discharge in a structured format (e.g., series of scheduled calls with a specific goal, structured questioning, or use of decision-support software).
Telemonitoring	Remote monitoring of physiologic data (e.g., electrocardiogram, blood pressure, weight, pulse oximetry, or respiratory rate) with digital, broadband, satellite, wireless, or Bluetooth transmission to a monitoring center, with or without remote clinical visits (e.g., video monitoring).
Outpatient clinic-based	Services provided in one of several types of outpatient clinics: multidisciplinary HF, nurse-led HF, or primary care. The clinic-based intervention can be managed by a nurse or other provider and may also offer unstructured telephone support (e.g., patient hotline) outside clinic hours.
Primarily educational	Patient education (and self-care training) delivered before or at discharge by various personnel or methods: in person, interactive CD-ROM, or video education. Interventions in this category do not feature telemonitoring, home visits, or STS and are not delivered primarily through a clinic-based intervention. Follow-up telephone calls may occur to ascertain outcomes (e.g., readmission rates) but not to monitor patients' physiologic data.
Other	Unique interventions or interventions that do not fit into any of the other categories (e.g., individual peer support for patients with HF).

HF = heart failure; STS = structured telephone support.



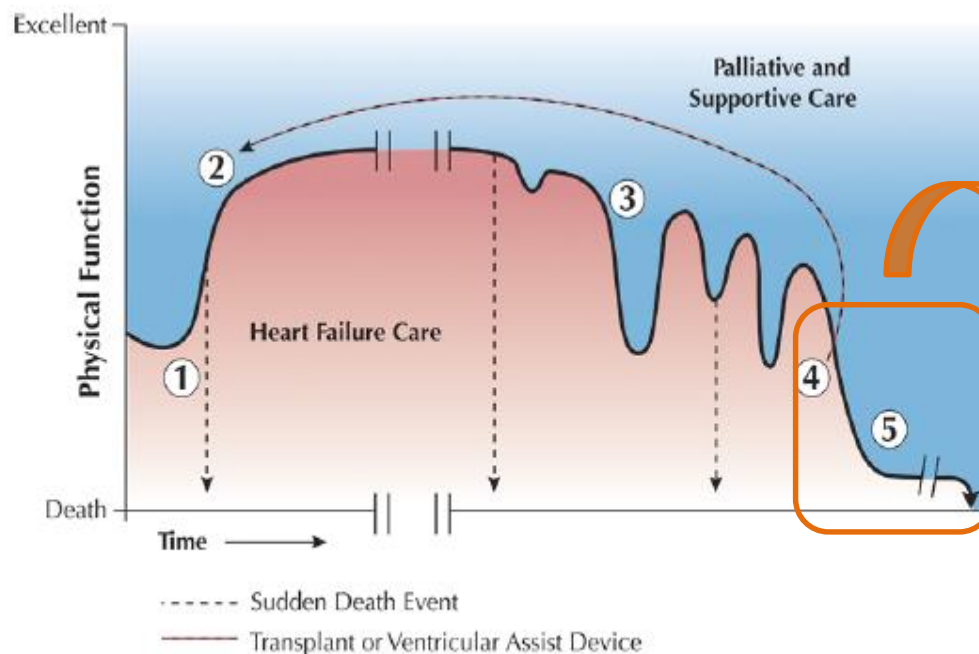
**Conclusion:** Home-visiting programs and MDS-HF clinics reduced all-cause readmission and mortality; STS reduced HF-specific readmission and mortality. These interventions should receive the greatest consideration by systems or providers seeking to implement transitional care interventions for persons with HF.

**End of life**

# Palliative Care in Congestive Heart Failure

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## Symptom's relief therapy

- ✓ Dyspnea relief therapy
- ✓ Pain relief therapy
- ✓ Psycho-emotive relief therapy
- ✓ Spiritual support

**Figure 1** Schematic Depiction of Comprehensive Heart Failure Care

Clinicians caring for HF patients must acquire the skills to make decisions about care based on the patient's preferences and the likely benefit and burden of therapies for that individual

# Deactivation of Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillators in Terminal Illness and End of Life Care

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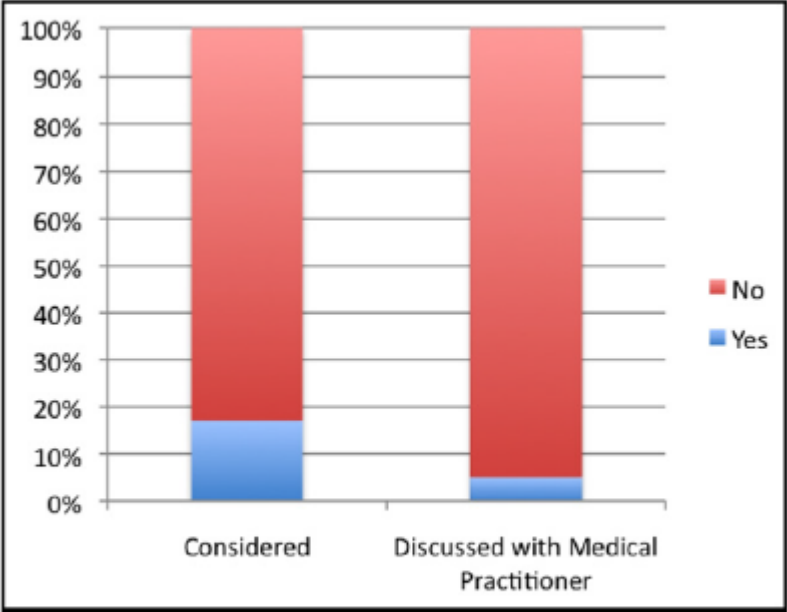


Figure 1. Responses to questions about whether subjects had considered what should be done with an ICD at end of the patient’s life and whether they had discussed the topic with a medical provider.

# Patients’ Perspective on Deactivation of the Implantable Cardioverter-Defibrillator Near the End of Life

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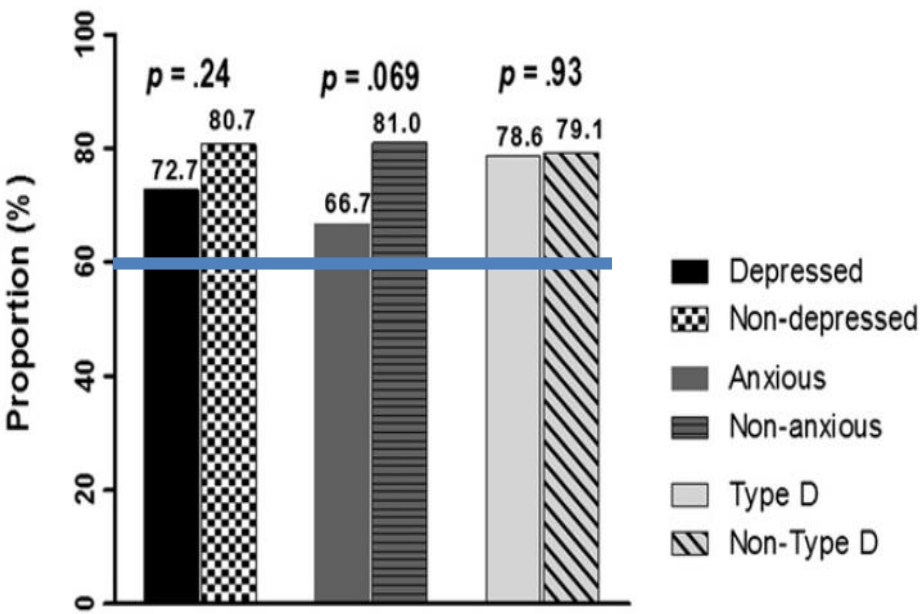


Figure 1. Proportion of patients in favor of device deactivation toward the end of life stratified by psychological morbidity (i.e., depression, anxiety, and Type D personality). Percentages are listed on the top of bars.

these data suggest that patients welcome end of life discussions concerning their ICDs and that cardiologists should discuss end of life care and device deactivation with ICD patients.



## Ethics in the Treatment of Advanced Heart Failure: Palliative Care and End-of-Life Issues

- ✓ Proactive, thoughtful advance planning and effective communication about patient goals and wishes supports patient autonomy while avoiding harm.
- ✓ Such communication challenges offer a unique opportunity for professionals of various disciplines to collaborate to improve the lives of their patients.
- ✓ Another opportunity for collaboration between disciplines is the complex informed consent and ongoing care processes for HF patients who are treated with implantable devices.
- ✓ Symptom management throughout the course of HF care is an ethical obligation of all professionals caring for patients.
- ✓ High quality palliative and end-of-life care in HF must be the result of collaboration between multiple disciplines and professionals across all care settings.



**- Dean Smith –  
The Coaches' Coach**

***“Play Hard, Play Smart, Play Together.”***