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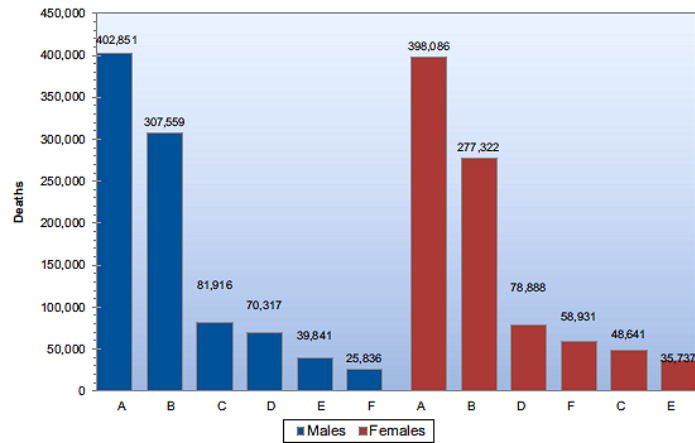


Chart 13-9. Cardiovascular disease and other major causes of death for all males and females (United States: 2013). A indicates cardiovascular disease (*International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision* codes I00–I99); B, cancer (C00–C97); C, accidents (V01–X59 and Y85–Y86); D, chronic lower respiratory disease (J40–J47); E, diabetes mellitus (E10–E14); and F, Alzheimer disease (G30). Source: National Center for Health Statistics and National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute.



AHA Statistical Update

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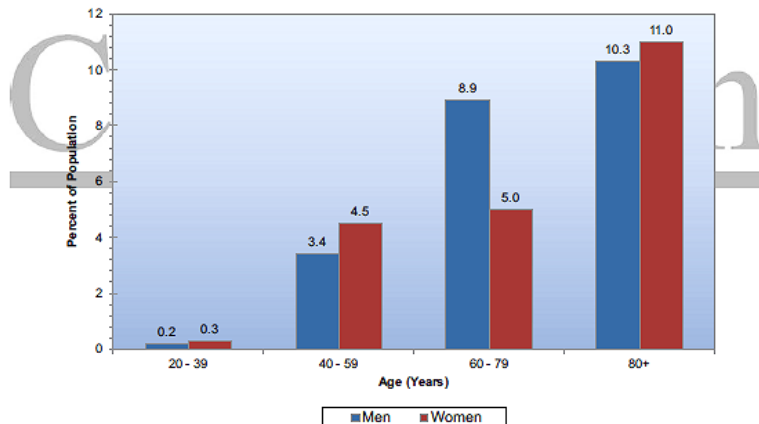
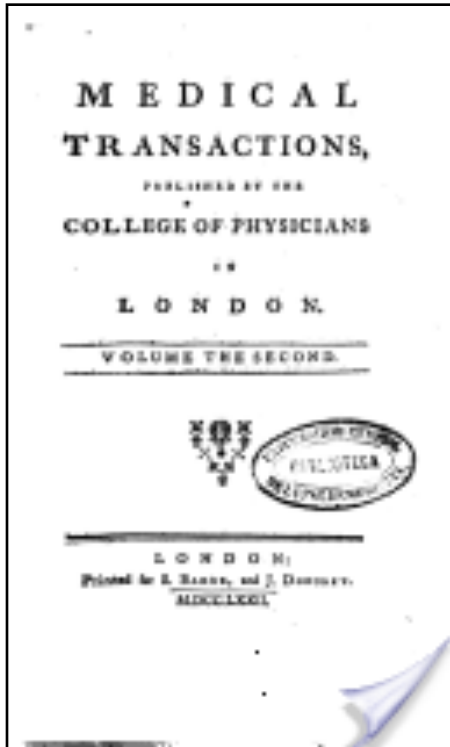


Chart 19-9. Prevalence of angina pectoris by age and sex (National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey: 2009–2012). Angina pectoris includes people who either answered “yes” to the question of ever having angina or angina pectoris or were diagnosed with Rose Angina. Source: National Center for Health Statistics and National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute.



ANGINA PECTORIS

"But there is a disorder... marked with strong and peculiar symptoms ... may make it not improperly be called angina pectoris. Those who are afflicted with it are seized while they are walking (more especially if it be uphill, and soon after eating), with a painful and most disagreeable sensation in the breast, which seems as if it would extinguish life, if it were to increase or to continue; but the moment they stand still, all this uneasiness vanishes" c.1768



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Table 1 Classes of recommendations

Classes of recommendations	Definition	Suggested wording to use
Class I	Evidence and/or general agreement that a given treatment or procedure is beneficial, useful, effective.	Is recommended/is indicated
Class II	Conflicting evidence and/or a divergence of opinion about the usefulness/efficacy of the given treatment or procedure.	
Class IIa	Weight of evidence/opinion is in favour of usefulness/efficacy.	Should be considered
Class IIb	Usefulness/efficacy is less well established by evidence/opinion.	May be considered
Class III	Evidence or general agreement that the given treatment or procedure is not useful/effective, and in some cases may be harmful.	Is not recommended

Table 2 Levels of evidence

Level of evidence A	Data derived from multiple randomized clinical trials or meta-analyses.
Level of evidence B	Data derived from a single randomized clinical trial or large non-randomized studies.
Level of evidence C	Consensus of opinion of the experts and/or small studies, retrospective studies, registries.



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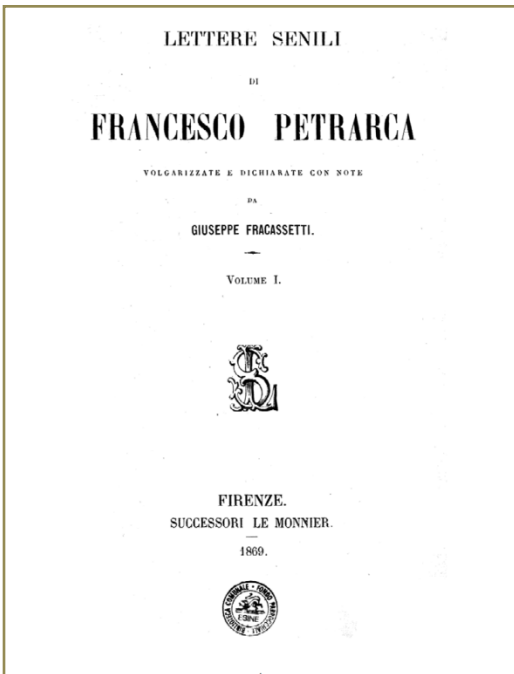


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STUDI RANDOMIZZATI NELLA STORIA DELLA MEDICINA

Io penso adunque, e francamente dico e sostengo che, se cento o mille uomini, tutti d'una età, di una tempra, di un costume cadessero a un tratto in una medesima malattia, e una metà di loro si desse in cura a medici, quali son questi de' tempi nostri, l'altra metà si lasciasse in balia della natura e della propria discrezione, io non mi lascio punto aver dubbio che il numero de' morti sarebbe maggiore fra i primi, e maggiore fra i secondi quello dei risanati.



LIBRO QUINTO

LETTERA III

A GIOVANNI BOCCACCIO

Meum tibi consilium



DEFINIZIONI

Stable coronary artery disease is generally characterized by episodes of reversible myocardial demand/supply mismatch, related to ischaemia or hypoxia, which are usually inducible by exercise, emotion or other stress and reproducible—but, which may also be occurring spontaneously.

Table 5 Classification of angina severity according to the Canadian Cardiovascular Society

Class I	<u>Ordinary activity does not cause angina such as walking and climbing stairs.</u> Angina with strenuous or rapid or prolonged exertion at work or recreation.
Class II	<u>Slight limitation of ordinary activity.</u> Angina on walking or climbing stairs rapidly, walking or stair climbing after meals, or in cold, wind or under emotional stress, or only during the first few hours after awakening. Walking more than two blocks on the level and climbing more than one flight of ordinary stairs at a normal pace and in normal conditions.
Class III	<u>Marked limitation of ordinary physical activity.</u> Angina on walking one to two blocks ^a on the level or one flight of stairs in normal conditions and at a normal pace.
Class IV	<u>Inability to carry on any physical activity without discomfort</u> ¹ – angina syndrome may be present at rest ¹ .

^aEquivalent to 100–200 m.

Table 4 Traditional clinical classification of chest pain

Typical angina (definite)	Meets all three of the following characteristics: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• substernal chest discomfort of characteristic quality and duration;• provoked by exertion or emotional stress;• relieved by rest and/or nitrates within minutes.
Atypical angina (probable)	Meets two of these characteristics.
Non-anginal chest pain	Lacks or meets only one or none of the characteristics.



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DEFINIZIONI

The various clinical presentations of SCAD are associated with different underlying mechanisms that mainly include:

1. plaque-related obstruction of epicardial arteries
2. focal or diffuse spasm of normal or plaque-diseased arteries
3. microvascular dysfunction
4. left ventricular dysfunction caused by prior acute myocardial necrosis and/or hibernation (ischaemic cardiomyopathy)

These mechanisms may act singly or in combination

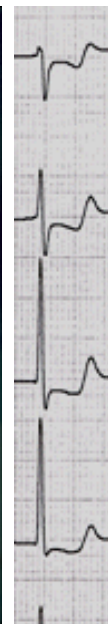
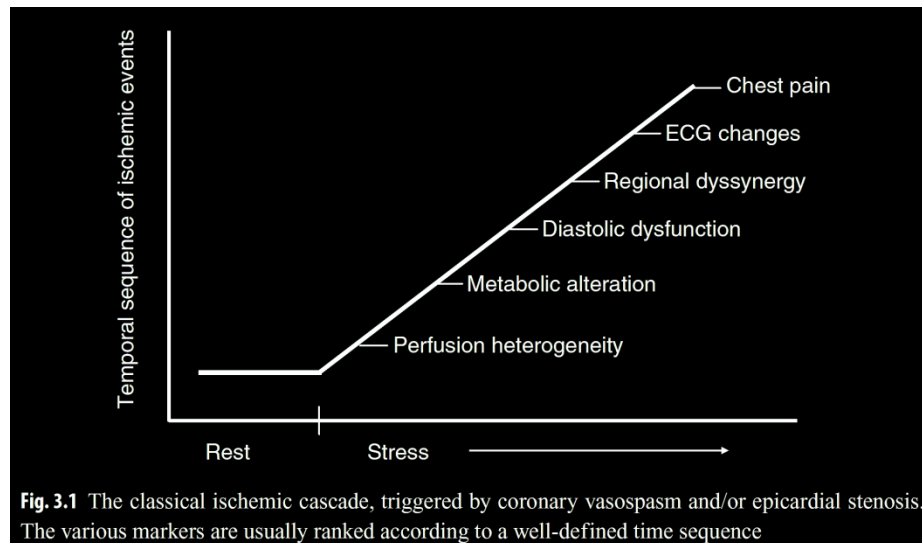


Table 3 Main features of stable coronary artery disease

Pathogenesis
Stable anatomical atherosclerotic and/or functional alterations of epicardial vessels and/or microcirculation
Natural history
Stable symptomatic or asymptomatic phases which may be interrupted by ACS
Mechanisms of myocardial ischaemia
Fixed or dynamic stenoses of epicardial coronary arteries;
Microvascular dysfunction;
Focal or diffuse epicardial coronary spasm;
The above mechanisms may overlap in the same patient and change over time.
Clinical presentations
Effort induced angina caused by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • epicardial stenoses; • microvascular dysfunction; • vasoconstriction at the site of dynamic stenosis; • combination of the above.
Rest angina caused by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vasospasm (focal or diffuse) • epicardial focal; • epicardial diffuse; • microvascular; • combination of the above.
Asymptomatic: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • because of lack of ischaemia and/or of LV dysfunction; • despite ischaemia and/or LV dysfunction.
Ischaemic cardiomyopathy

ACS = acute coronary syndrome; LV = left ventricular; SCAD = stable coronary artery disease.

DEFINIZIONI



DIAGNOSI

PROBABILITA' PRE-TEST

- Patients in whom anginal pain may be possible but who have a very low probability of significant CAD **< 15%** should have other cardiac causes of chest pain excluded and their CV risk factors adjusted based on risk score assessment. No specific non-invasive stress testing should be performed.
- Patients with an intermediate PTP of **15–85%** should undergo further non-invasive testing.
- In patients with a clinical PTP **> 85%**, the diagnosis of CAD should be made clinically and further testing will not improve accuracy. Further testing may, however, be indicated for stratification of risk of events, especially if no satisfactory control of symptoms is possible with initial medical therapy



DIAGNOSI

Table 12 Characteristics of tests commonly used to diagnose the presence of coronary artery disease

	Diagnosis of CAD	
	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
Exercise ECG ^{a, 91, 94, 95}	45–50	85–90
Exercise stress echocardiography ⁹⁶	80–85	80–88
Exercise stress SPECT ^{96, 99}	73–92	63–87
Dobutamine stress echocardiography ⁹⁶	79–83	82–86
Dobutamine stress MRI ^{b, 100}	79–88	81–91
Vasodilator stress echocardiography ⁹⁶	72–79	92–95
Vasodilator stress SPECT ^{96, 99}	90–91	75–84
Vasodilator stress MRI ^{b, 98, 100-102}	67–94	61–85
Coronary CTA ^{c, 103-105}	95–99	64–83
Vasodilator stress PET ^{97, 99, 106}	81–97	74–91

CAD = coronary artery disease; CTA = computed tomography angiography; ECG = electrocardiogram; MRI = magnetic resonance imaging; PET = positron emission tomography; SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography.

^a Results without/with minimal referral bias.

^b Results obtained in populations with medium-to-high prevalence of disease without compensation for referral bias.

^c Results obtained in populations with low-to-medium prevalence of disease.

Table 13 Clinical pre-test probabilities^a in patients with stable chest pain symptoms¹⁰⁸

Age	Typical angina		Atypical angina		Non-anginal pain	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
30–39	59	28	29	10	18	5
40–49	69	37	38	14	25	8
50–59	77	47	49	20	34	12
60–69	84	58	59	28	44	17
70–79	89	68	69	37	54	24
>80	93	76	78	47	65	32

ECG = electrocardiogram; PTP = pre-test probability; SCAD = stable coronary artery disease.

^a Probabilities of obstructive coronary disease shown reflect the estimates for patients aged 35, 45, 55, 65, 75 and 85 years.

- Groups in white boxes have a PTP < 15% and hence can be managed without further testing.
- Groups in blue boxes have a PTP of 15–65%. They could have an exercise ECG if feasible as the initial test. However, if local expertise and availability permit a non-invasive imaging based test for ischaemia this would be preferable given the superior diagnostic capabilities of such tests. In young patients radiation issues should be considered.
- Groups in light red boxes have PTPs between 66–85% and hence should have a non-invasive imaging functional test for making a diagnosis of SCAD.
- In groups in dark red boxes the PTP is > 85% and one can assume that SCAD is present. They need risk stratification only.



DIAGNOSI



Sex Differences in Presentation and Outcome Among Patients With Type 2 Diabetes and Coronary Artery Disease Treated With Contemporary Medical Therapy With or Without Prompt Revascularization

Tamis Holland, J Am Coll Cardiol 2013

Characteristics	Women (n = 702)	Men (n = 1,666)	p Value
Angina	66.5%	58.2%	<0.01
Stable CCS I–II	63.7%	73.1%	<0.01
Stable CCS III–IV	17.8%	12.5%	
Unstable	18.5%	14.4%	
Angina equivalents	72.6%	60.1%	<0.01



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Acute Coronary Syndromes Without Chest Pain, An Underdiagnosed and Undertreated High-Risk Group*

Insights From The Global Registry of Acute Coronary Events

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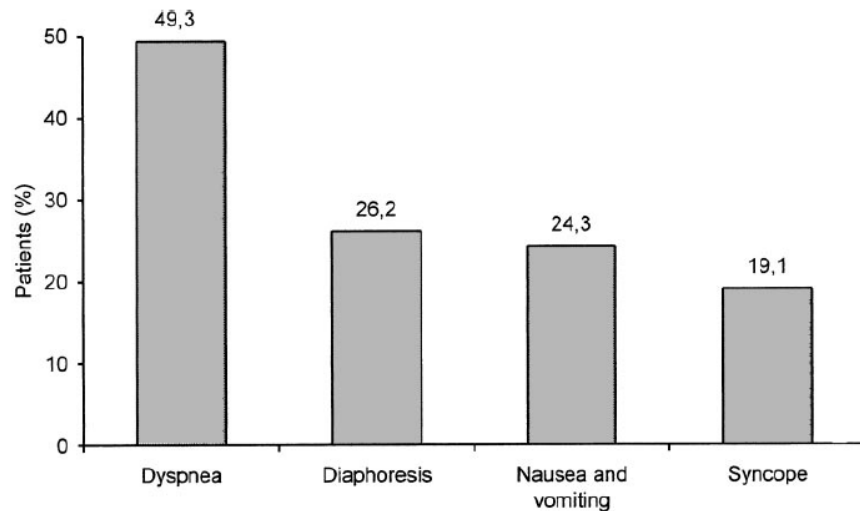


FIGURE 1. Dominant presenting symptoms in patients without chest pain (total exceeds 100% as patients may have presented with more than one dominant symptom).

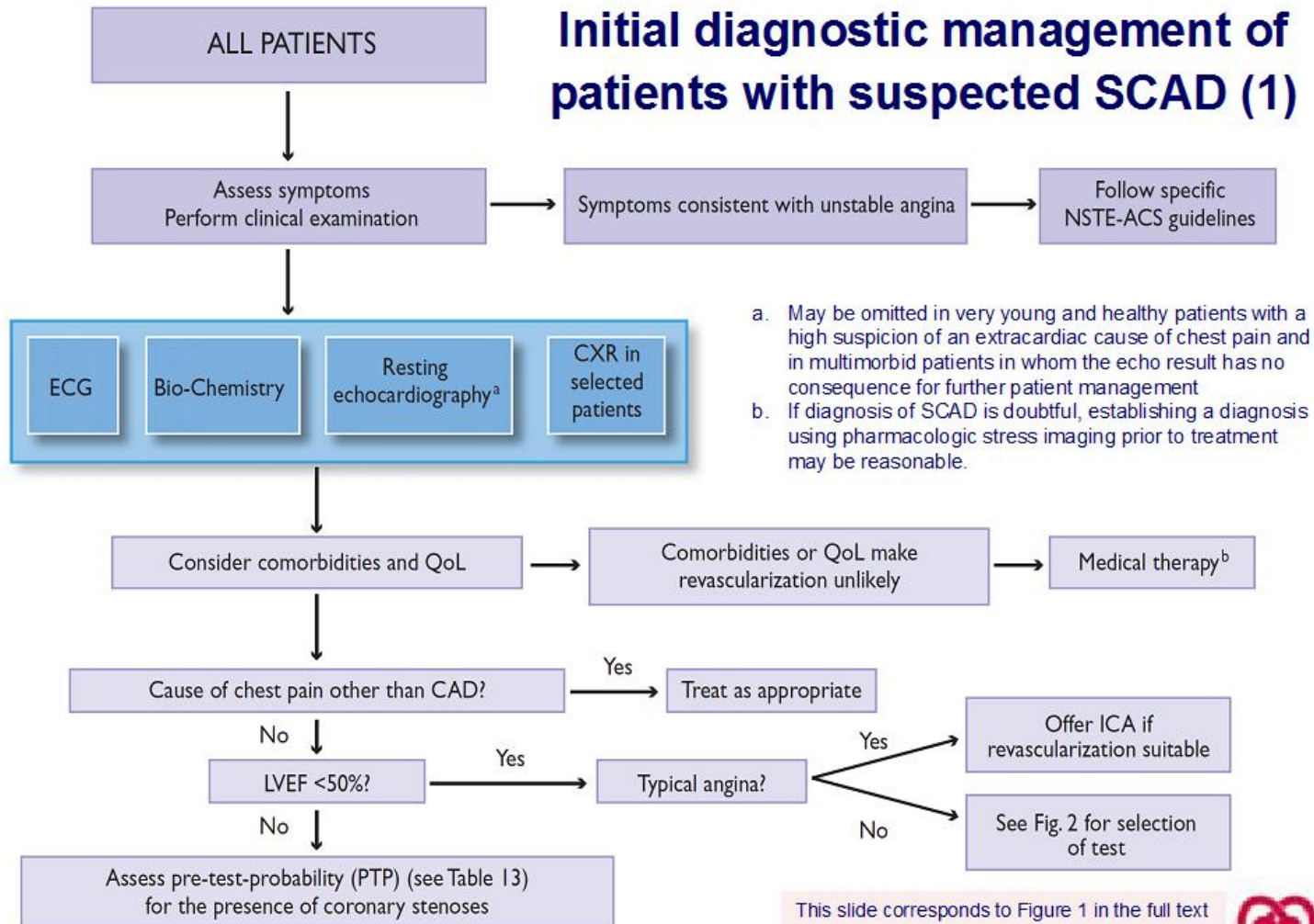
Su 1,763 pazienti:

- **Dispnea** 49%,
- **Sudorazione** 26%
- **Nausea/vomito** 24%
- **Presincope/sincope** 19%



GESTIONE DIAGNOSTICA INIZIALE

Initial diagnostic management of patients with suspected SCAD (1)



- a. May be omitted in very young and healthy patients with a high suspicion of an extracardiac cause of chest pain and in multimorbid patients in whom the echo result has no consequence for further patient management
- b. If diagnosis of SCAD is doubtful, establishing a diagnosis using pharmacologic stress imaging prior to treatment may be reasonable.

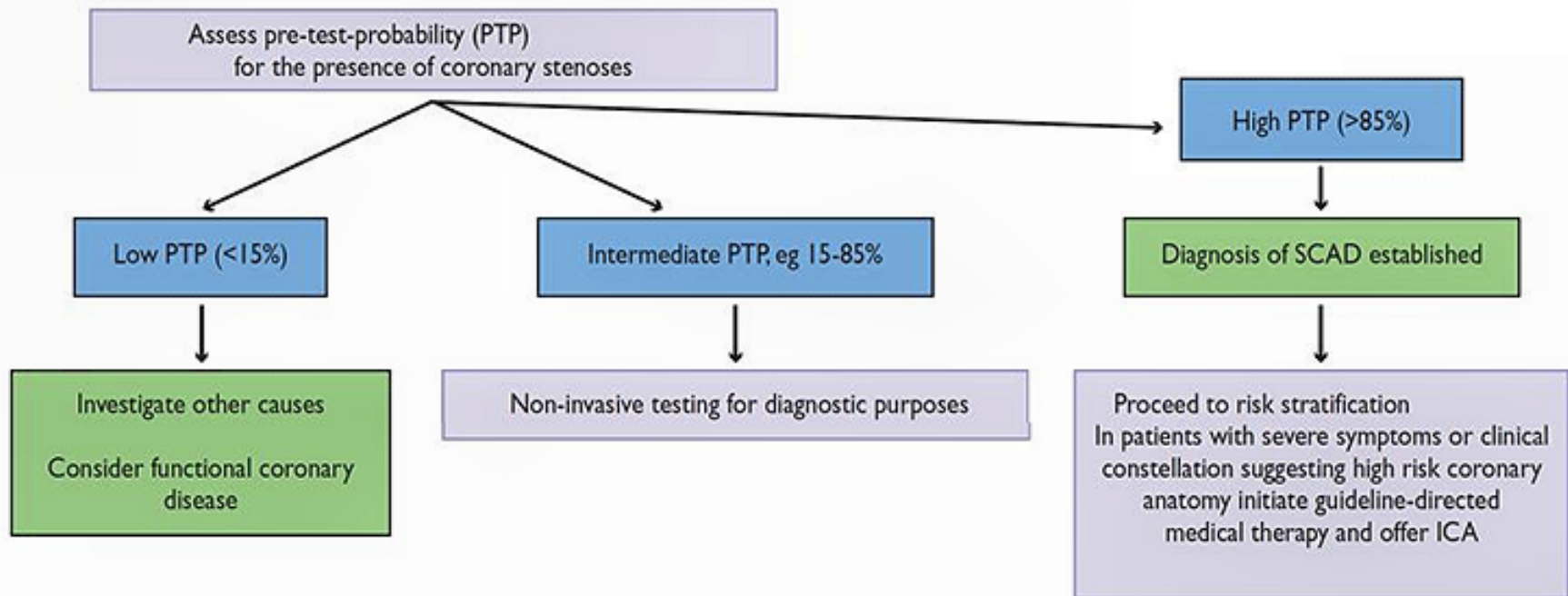
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GESTIONE DIAGNOSTICA INIZIALE



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ICA = invasive coronary angiography.





RISCHIO DI IM/MORTE CV

- The process of risk stratification serves to identify patients at high event risk who will benefit from revascularization beyond the amelioration of symptoms.
- Patients with an annual mortality **>3%** are defined as high event risk patients. Low event risk patients are those with an annual mortality **< 1%** per year. The intermediate event risk group has an annual mortality of $\geq 1\%$ but $\leq 3\%$ per year





RISCHIO DI IM/MORTE CV

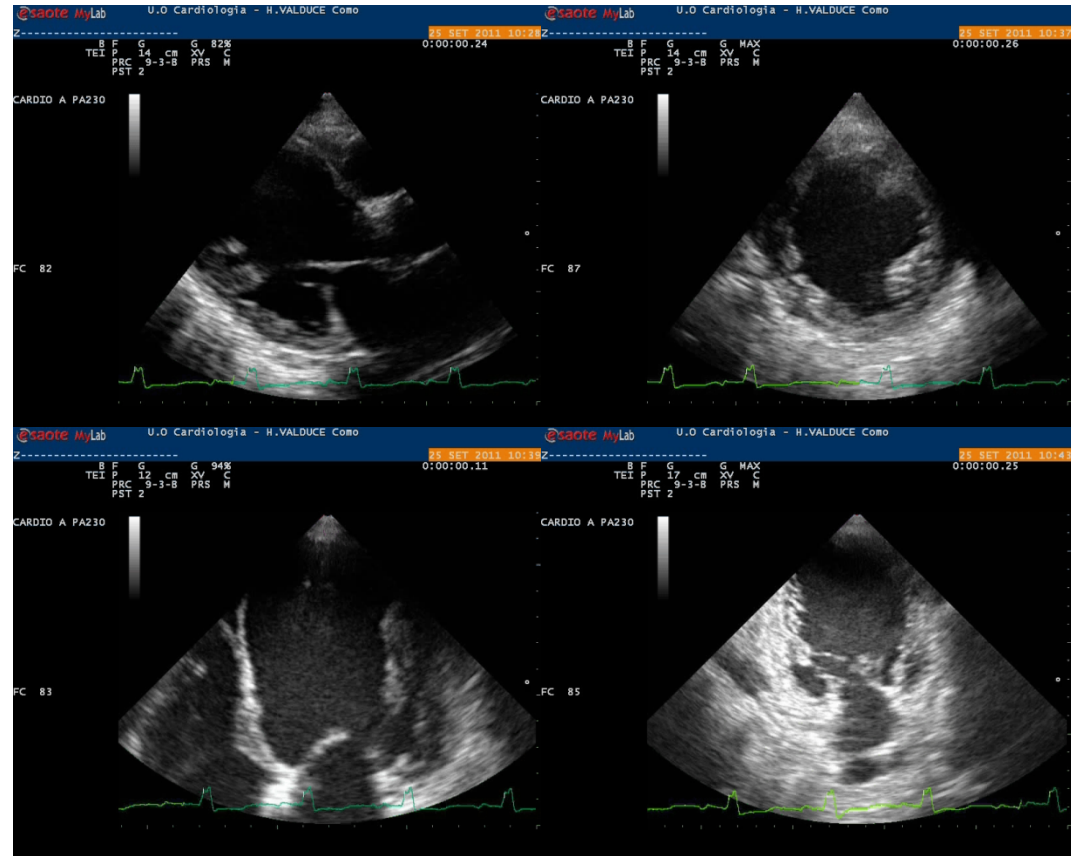
- Event risk stratification generally follows a pyramidal structure, with all patients having event risk stratification by **clinical evaluation** as the most basic requirement, proceeding to assessment of **ventricular function** by resting echocardiography and, in the majority, to noninvasive assessment of **ischaemia/coronary anatomy**.
- An **ICA** for risk stratification will only be required in a selected subgroup of patients.





LV FUNCTION

- The strongest predictor of long-term survival is LV function
- A patient with an LVEF < 50% is already at high risk for CV death (annual mortality > 3%), even without accounting for additional event risk factors



Recommendation	Class	Level
Resting echocardiography is recommended to quantify LV function in all patients with suspected SCAD.	I	C



NONINVASIVE ASSESSMENT OF ISCHEMIA/CORONARY ANATOMY

Table 17 Definitions of risk for various test modalities^a

Exercise stress ECG ^b	High risk Intermediate risk Low risk	CV mortality >3%/year. CV mortality between 1 and 3%/year. CV mortality <1%/year.
Ischaemia imaging	High risk Intermediate risk Low risk	Area of ischaemia >10% (>10% for SPECT; limited quantitative data for CMR – probably $\geq 2/16$ segments with new perfusion defects or ≥ 3 dobutamine-induced dysfunctional segments; ≥ 3 segments of LV by stress echo). Area of ischaemia between 1 to 10% or any ischaemia less than high risk by CMR or stress echo. No ischaemia.
Coronary CTA ^c	High risk Intermediate risk Low risk	Significant lesions of high risk category (three-vessel disease with proximal stenoses, LM, and proximal anterior descending CAD). Significant lesion(s) in large and proximal coronary artery(ies) but not high risk category. Normal coronary artery or plaques only.

CAD = coronary artery disease; CMR = cardiac magnetic resonance; CTA = computed tomography angiography; CV = cardiovascular; ECG = electrocardiogram; ICA = invasive coronary angiography; LM = left main; PTP = pre-test probability; SPECT = single photon emission computed tomography.

^a For detailed explanation on rationale for risk stratification scheme see web addenda.

^b From nomogram (see web addenda, Figure W1) or <http://www.cardiology.org/tools/medcalc/duke/>

^c See Fig 2 consider possible overestimation of presence of significant multivessel disease by coronary CTA in patients with high intermediate PTP ($\geq 50\%$) and/or severe diffuse or focal coronary calcifications and consider performing additional stress testing in patients without severe symptoms before ICA.

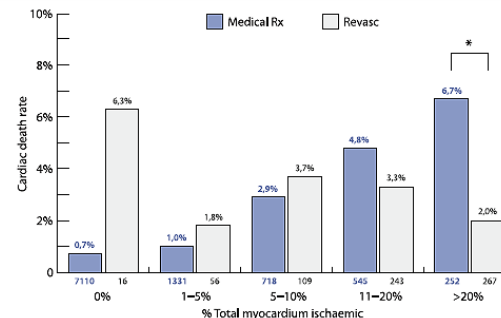
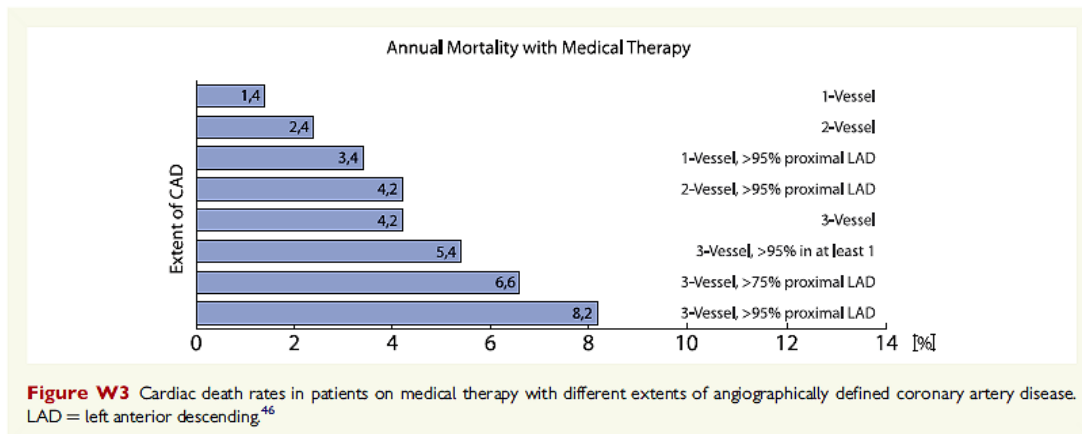


Figure W2 Relationship between cardiac mortality and extent of myocardial ischaemia, depending on type of therapy.⁴⁵ Numbers below columns indicate numbers of patients in each group. *P < 0.02. Medical Rx = medical therapy; Revasc = revascularization.



ICA

- The simplest and most widely used prognostic index is the classification of disease into one-vessel, two vessel, three-vessel, or LM stem CAD
- Patients with severe stenosis of the LM coronary artery have a poor prognosis when treated medically. The presence of severe proximal LAD disease also significantly reduces the survival rate



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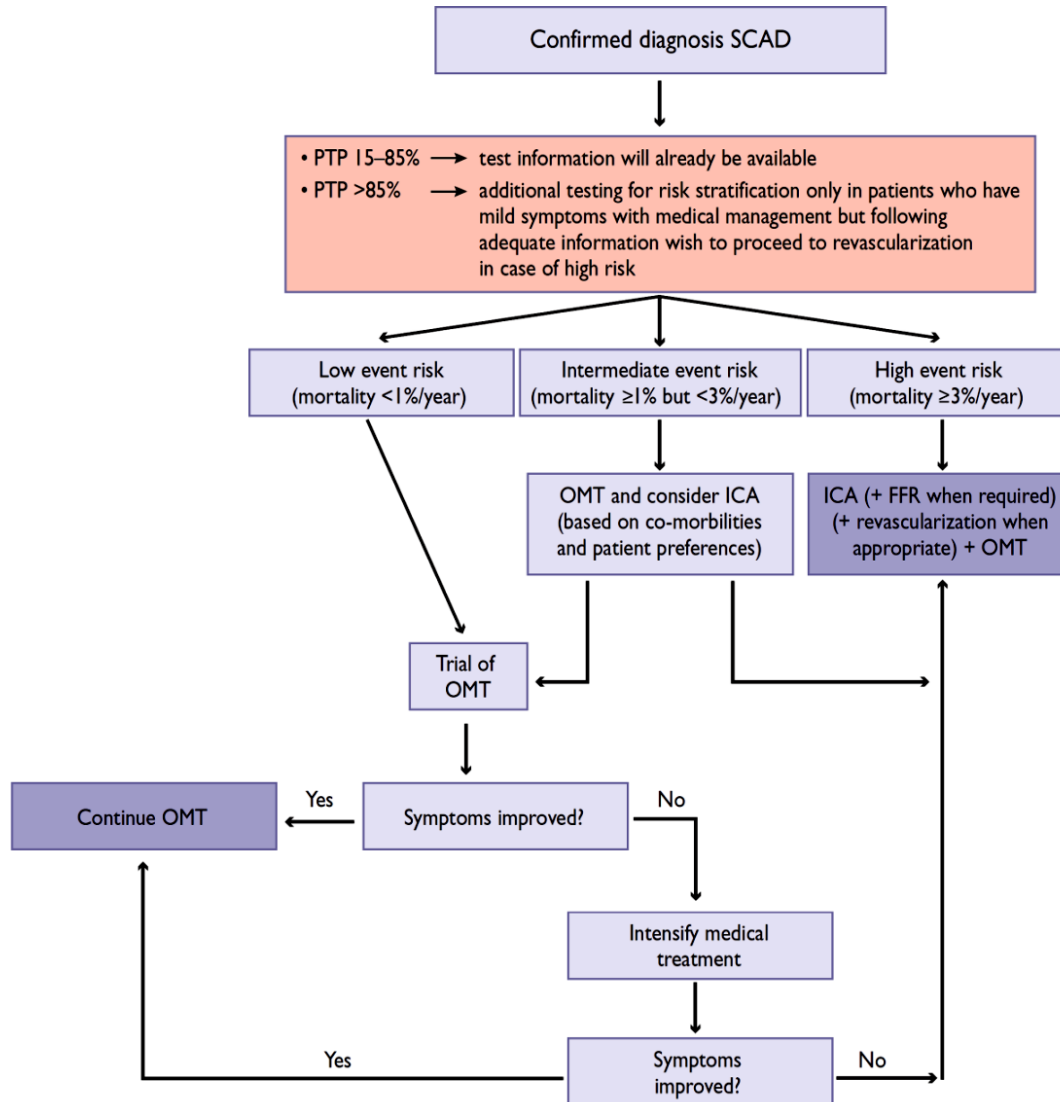


Figure 3 Management based on risk determination for prognosis in patients with chest pain and suspected SCAD (for choice of test see Fig. 2, for definitions of event risk see Table 17). ICA = invasive coronary angiography; OMT = optimal medical therapy; PTP = pre-test probability; SCAD = stable coronary artery disease.



TERAPIA

FINALITA'

- Migliorare i sintomi
- Migliorare la mortalita'

APPROCCI

- Modificazione degli stili di vita
- OMT
- OMT + rivascularizzazione



STILI DI VITA

- **Quitting smoking** is potentially the most effective of all preventive measures, being associated with a reduction in mortality of 36% after MI
- **Diet**
- Regular **physical activity** is associated with a decrease in CV morbidity and mortality in patients with established CAD
- **Weight reduction** in overweight and obese people is recommended in order to achieve favourable effects on BP, dyslipidaemia and glucose metabolism
- **Dyslipidemia , hypertension and diabetes** should be managed according to lipid guidelines with pharmacological and lifestyle intervention



STILI DI VITA

Table 26 Blood pressure thresholds for definition of hypertension with different types of blood pressure measurement (adapted from Umpierrez *et al.* 2012²⁷³).

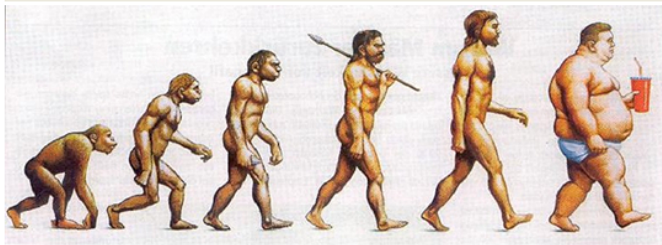
	SBP (mmHg)	D BP (mmHg)
Office BP	140	90
Home BP	135	85
Ambulatory BP		
24-h	130	80
Daytime (or awake)	135	85
Nighttime (or asleep)	120	70

BP= blood pressure; DPB= diastolic blood pressure; SBP= systolic blood pressure.

Table 25 Recommended diet intakes

- Saturated fatty acids to account for <10% of total energy intake, through replacement by polyunsaturated fatty acids.
- Trans unsaturated fatty acids <1% of total energy intake.
- <5 g of salt per day.
- 30–45 g of fibre per day, from wholegrain products, fruits and vegetables.
- 200 g of fruit per day (2–3 servings).
- 200 g of vegetables per day (2–3 servings).
- Fish at least twice a week, one being oily fish.
- Consumption of alcoholic beverages should be limited to 2 glasses per day (20 g/day of alcohol) for men and 1 glass per day (10 g/day of alcohol) for non-pregnant women.

Evolution of Mankind



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PCI VS EXERCISE IN NONACUTE CAD

Percutaneous Coronary Angioplasty Compared With Exercise Training in Patients With Stable Coronary Artery Disease A Randomized Trial

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Background—Regular exercise in patients with stable coronary artery disease has been shown to improve myocardial perfusion and to retard disease progression. We therefore conducted a randomized study to compare the effects of exercise training versus standard percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI) with stenting on clinical symptoms, angina-free exercise capacity, myocardial perfusion, cost-effectiveness, and frequency of a combined clinical end point (death of cardiac cause, stroke, CABG, angioplasty, acute myocardial infarction, and worsening angina with objective evidence resulting in hospitalization).

Methods and Results—A total of 101 male patients aged ≤ 70 years were recruited after routine coronary angiography and randomized to 12 months of exercise training (20 minutes of bicycle ergometry per day) or to PCI. Cost efficiency was calculated as the average expense (in US dollars) needed to improve the Canadian Cardiovascular Society class by 1 class. Exercise training was associated with a higher event-free survival (88% versus 70% in the PCI group, $P=0.023$) and increased maximal oxygen uptake (+16%, from 22.7 ± 0.7 to 26.2 ± 0.8 mL O₂/kg, $P<0.001$ versus baseline, $P<0.001$ versus PCI group after 12 months). To gain 1 Canadian Cardiovascular Society class, \$6956 was spent in the PCI group versus \$3429 in the training group ($P<0.001$).

Conclusions—Compared with PCI, a 12-month program of regular physical exercise in selected patients with stable coronary artery disease resulted in superior event-free survival and exercise capacity at lower costs, notably owing to reduced rehospitalizations and repeat revascularizations. (*Circulation*. 2004;109:1371-1378.)

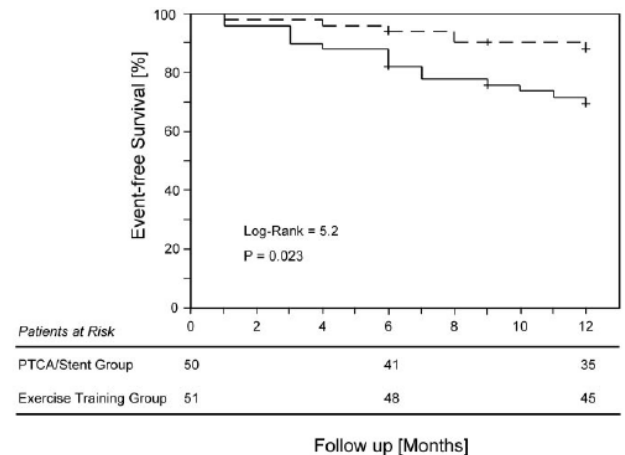
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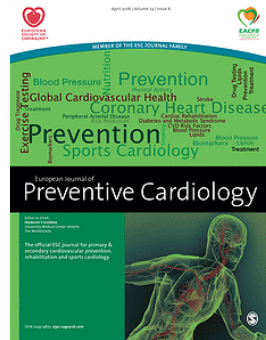


Table 28 Pharmacological treatments in stable coronary artery disease patients

Indication	Class ^a	Level ^b	Ref. ^c
General considerations			
Optimal medical treatment indicates at least one drug for angina/ischaemia relief plus drugs for event prevention.	I	C	-
It is recommended to educate patients about the disease, risk factors and treatment strategy.	I	C	-
It is indicated to review the patient's response soon after starting therapy.	I	C	-
Angina/ischaemia^d relief			
Short-acting nitrates are recommended.	I	B	3, 329
First-line treatment is indicated with β -blockers and/or calcium channel blockers to control heart rate and symptoms.	I	A	3, 331
For second-line treatment it is recommended to add long-acting nitrates or ivabradine or nicorandil or ranolazine, according to heart rate, blood pressure and tolerance.	IIa	B	177, 307, 3, 199, 284, 286, 308, 319-321, 328
For second-line treatment, trimetazidine may be considered.	IIb	B	313, 315
According to comorbidities/tolerance it is indicated to use second-line therapies as first-line treatment in selected patients.	I	C	-
In asymptomatic patients with large areas of ischaemia (>10%) β -blockers should be considered.	IIa	C	-
In patients with vasospastic angina, calcium channel blockers and nitrates should be considered and beta-blockers avoided.	IIa	B	3, 365
Event prevention			
Low-dose aspirin daily is recommended in all SCAD patients.	I	A	333, 334, 366
Clopidogrel is indicated as an alternative in case of aspirin intolerance.	I	B	335
Statins are recommended in all SCAD patients.	I	A	62
It is recommended to use ACE inhibitors (or ARBs) if presence of other conditions (e.g. heart failure, hypertension or diabetes).	I	A	348, 349, 351, 352

ACE = angiotensin converting enzyme; SCAD = stable coronary artery disease.

^a Class of recommendation.

^b Level of evidence.

^c Reference(s) supporting levels of evidence.

^d No demonstration of benefit on prognosis



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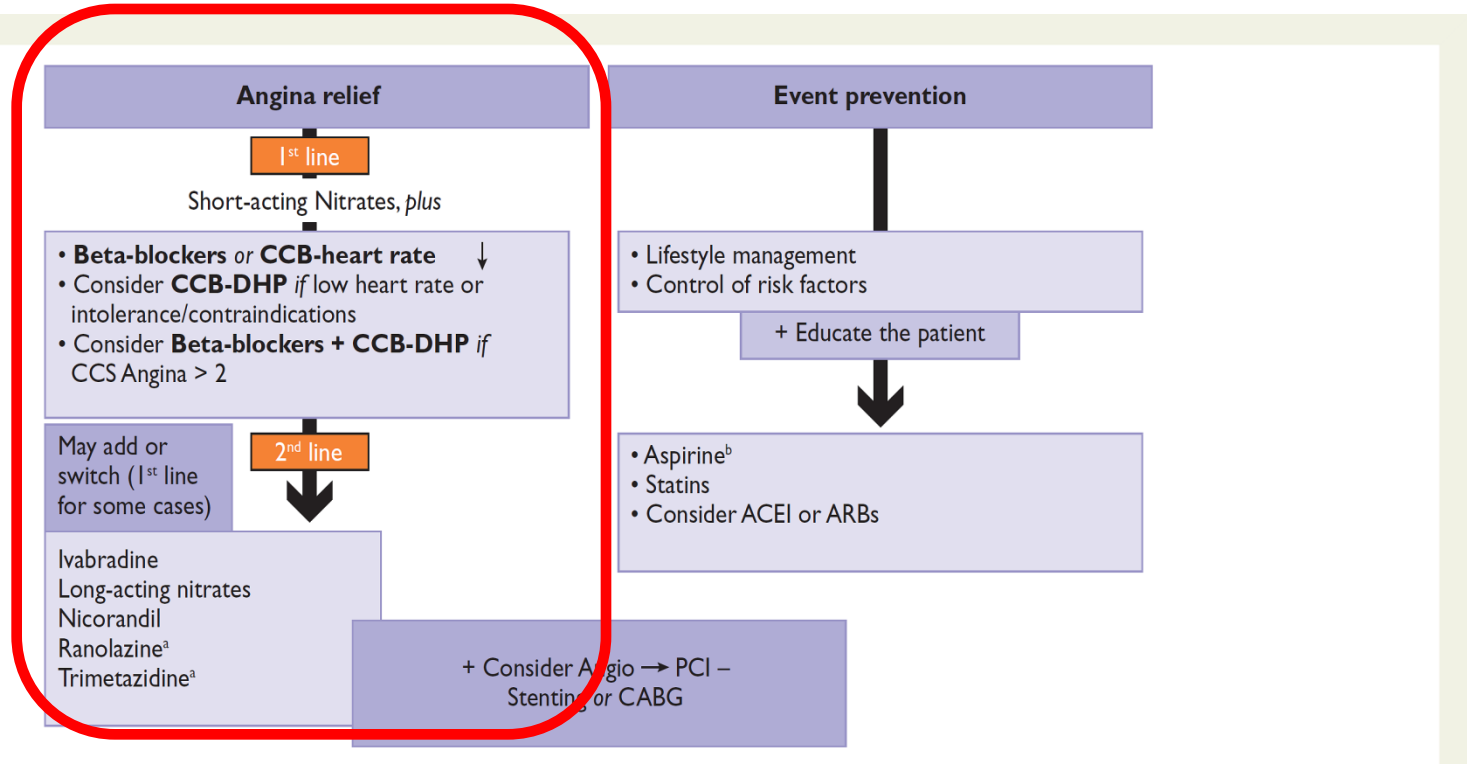


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FARMACI ANTIANGINOSI

Drug class	O ₂ Supply		O ₂ Demand		
	Coronary blood flow	Heart rate	Arterial pressure	Venous return	Myocardial contractility
β-blockers	—	↓	↓	—	↓
DHP CCBs	↑	↑*	↓	—	↓
Non-DHP CCBs	↑	↓	↓	—	↓
Long-acting nitrates	↑	↑ / —	↓	↓	—

CCB = calcium channel blocker, DHP = dihydropyridine *Except amlodipine



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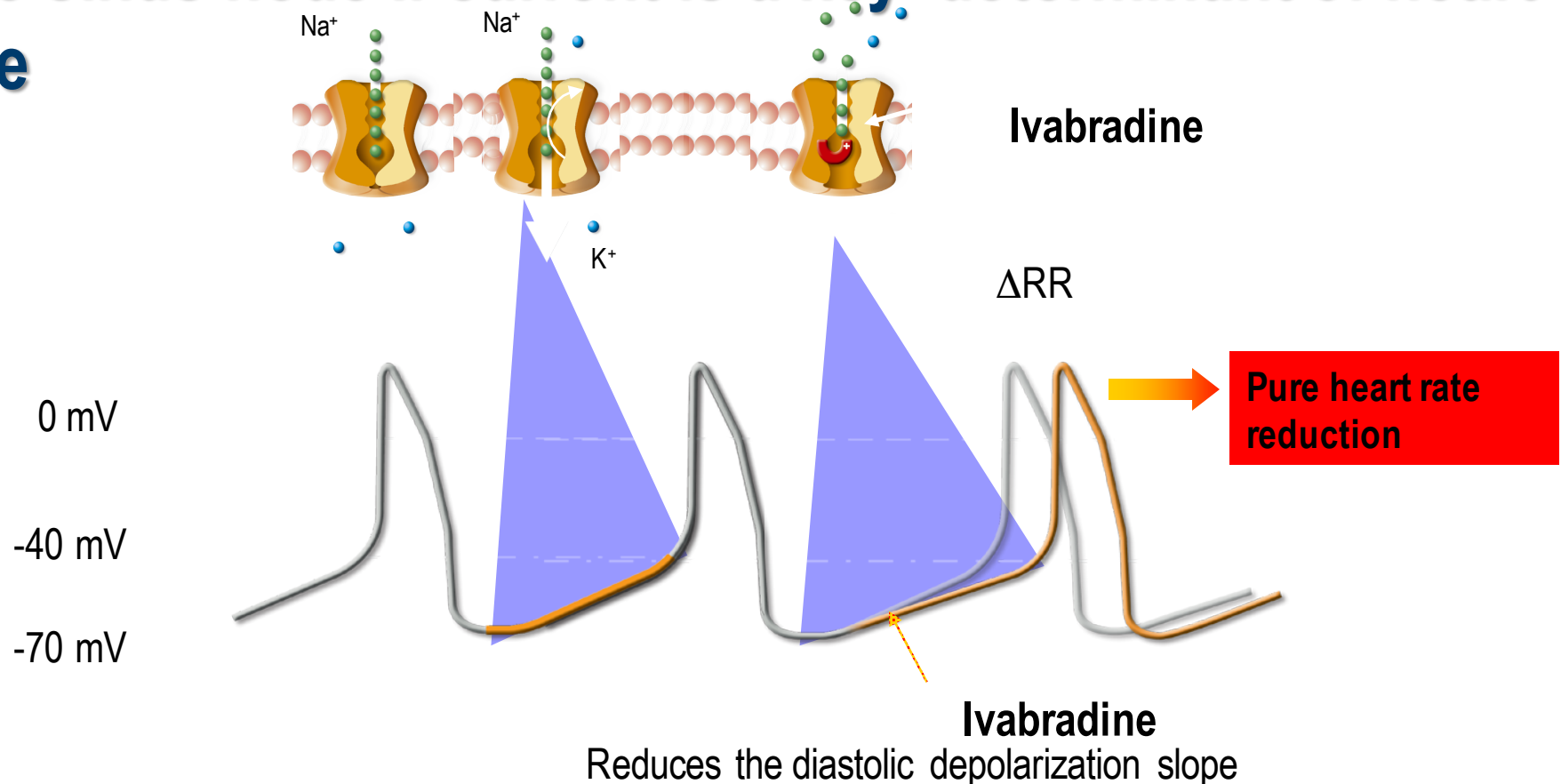
TERAPIE DI COMBINAZIONE

Study	Combinations	Findings
TIBET - Fox KM <i>Eur Heart J</i> 1996;17:96-103	Atenolol Nifedipine SR Combination 608 patients	No additive benefit of combined therapy
IMAGE - Savonitto S <i>J Am Coll Cardiol</i> 1996;27:311-316	Metoprolol Nifedipine SR Combination 249 patients	No additive benefit of combined therapy
CESAR - Knight C and Fox KM <i>Am J Cardiol</i> 1998;81:133-136	Amlodipine + Atenolol vs Diltiazem + Atenolol	No additive benefit of combined therapy
Meta-analysis (22 studies) Klein W, Jackson G, and Tavazzi L <i>Coron Artery Dis</i> 2002; 13:427-436	β -Blocker Calcium antagonist Combination	No additive benefit of combined therapy after 6 hours



FARMACI INNOVATIVI: IVABRADINA

The sinus node I_f current is a key determinant of heart rate



IVABRADINA

- è un efficace anti-ischemico
- è sicura ed efficace nelle cardiopatie con disfunzione sistolica e $FC \geq 60$
- non è inferiore al beta bloccante ed ha benefici additivi se aggiunta al beta bloccante
- può essere aggiunta ad altri farmaci antianginosi (non verapamile o diltiazem).
- non associare a potenti Inibitori CYP 3°A4 (Antifungini azolici, Antibiotici macrolidi, Inibitori delle proteasi HIV, nefazodone



IVABRADINA

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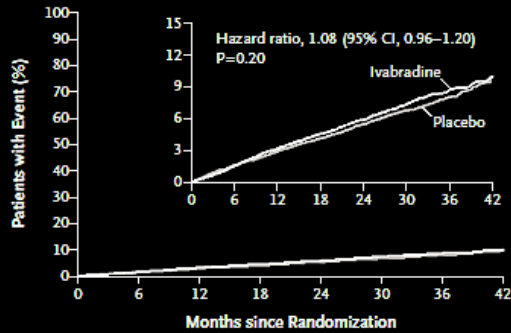
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Ivabradine in Stable Coronary Artery Disease without Clinical Heart Failure

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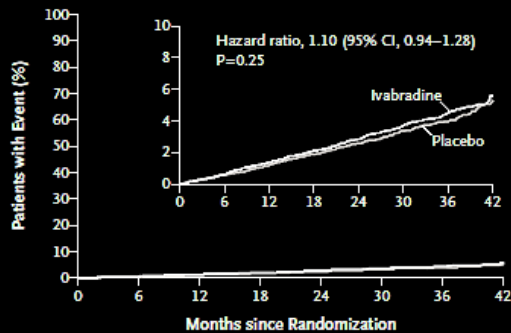


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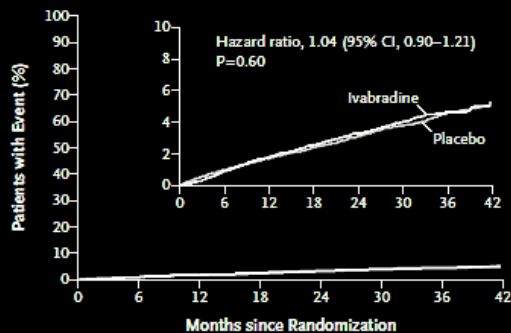
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Ivabradine	9550	9297	9077	8611	5570	3776	1832	349
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B Death from Cardiovascular Causes



No. at Risk	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42
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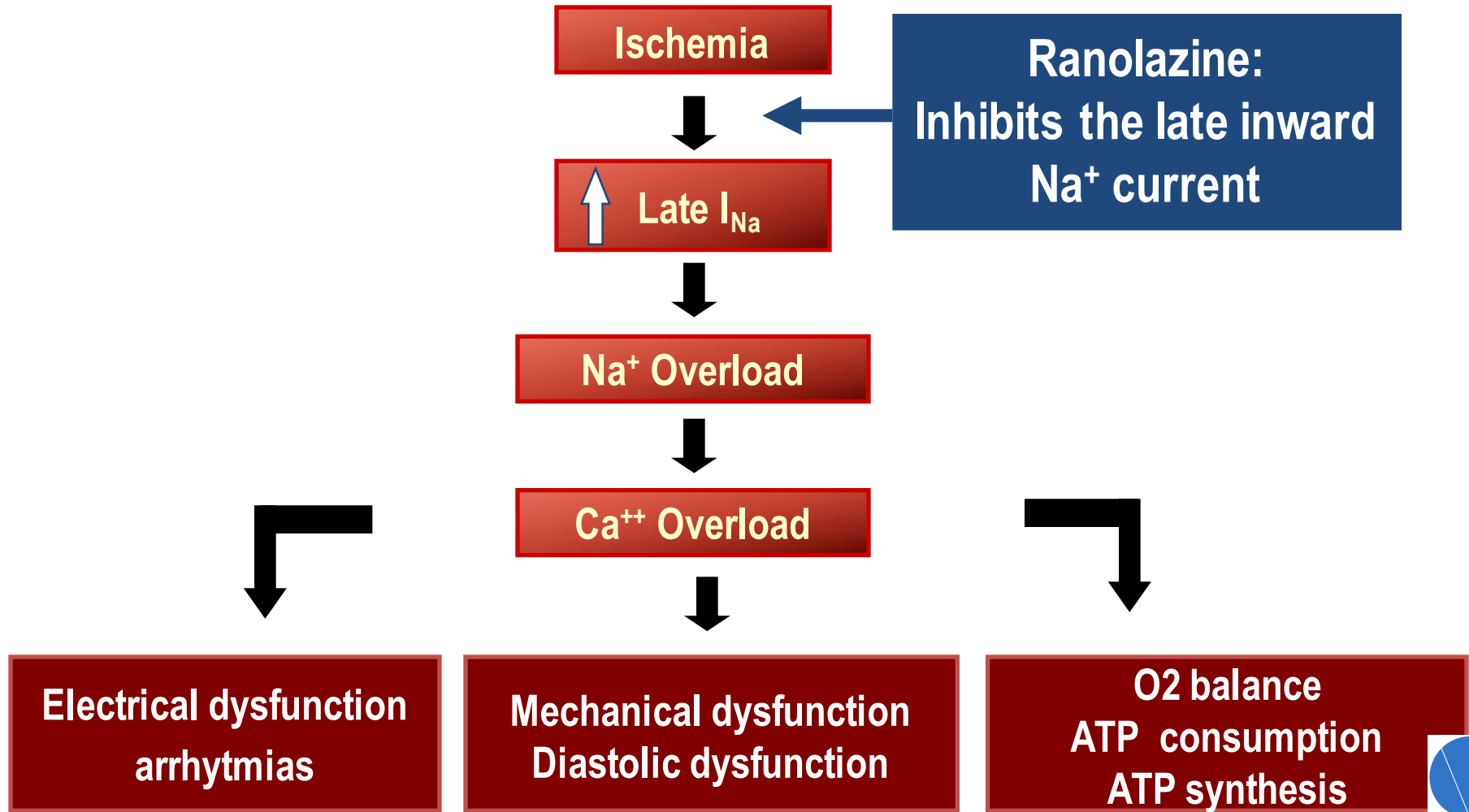
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FARMACI INNOVATIVI: RANOLAZINA



RANOLAZINA



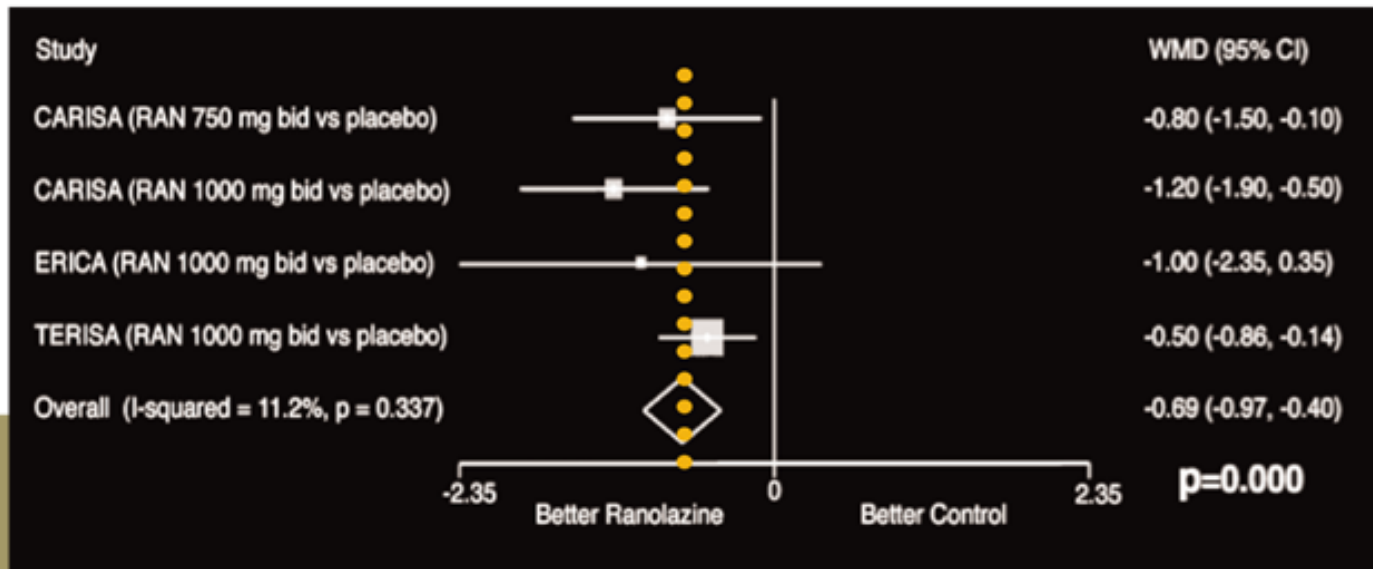
Effects of ranolazine in symptomatic patients with stable coronary artery disease. A systematic review and meta analysis

Savarese, Int. J Cardiol 2013

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Mean difference estimate of weekly angina onset in Ranolazine versus control study groups



RANOLAZINA

Health Services and Outcomes Research

Effects of Ranolazine on Angina and Quality of Life After Percutaneous Coronary Intervention With Incomplete Revascularization

Results From the Ranolazine for Incomplete Vessel Revascularization (RIVER-PCI) Trial

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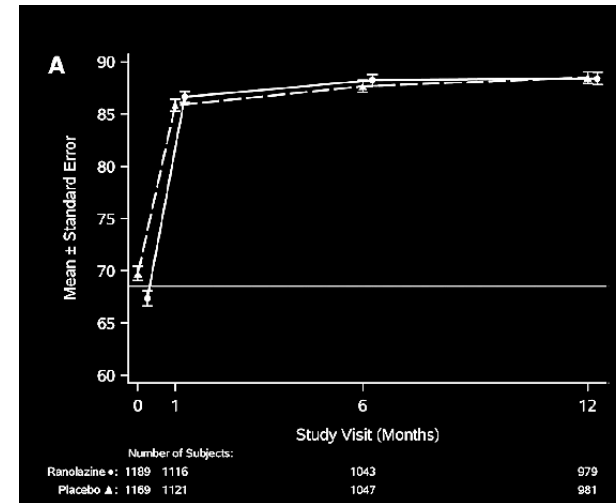
Background—Angina often persists or returns in populations following percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI). We hypothesized that ranolazine would be effective in reducing angina and improving quality of life (QOL) in incomplete revascularization (ICR) post-PCI patients.

Methods and Results—In RIVER-PCI, 2604 patients with a history of chronic angina who had ICR post-PCI were randomized 1:1 to oral ranolazine versus placebo; QOL analyses included 2389 randomized subjects. Angina and QOL questionnaires were collected at baseline and months 1, 6, and 12. Ranolazine patients were more likely than placebo to discontinue study drug by month 6 (20.4% versus 14.1%, $P<0.001$) and 12 (27.2% versus 21.3%, $P<0.001$). Following qualifying index PCI, the primary QOL outcome (Seattle Angina Questionnaire [SAQ] angina frequency score) improved markedly, but similarly, in the ranolazine and placebo groups, respectively, from baseline (67.3 ± 24.5 versus 69.7 ± 24.0 , $P=0.01$) to month 1 (86.6 ± 18.1 versus 85.8 ± 18.5 , $P=0.27$) and month 12 (88.4 ± 17.8 versus 88.5 ± 17.8 , $P=0.94$). SAQ angina frequency repeated measures did not differ in adjusted analysis between groups post baseline (mean difference 1.0; 95% CI -0.2, 2.2; $P=0.11$). Improvement in SAQ angina frequency was observed with ranolazine at month 6 among diabetics (mean difference 3.3; 95% CI 0.6, 6.1; $P=0.02$) and those with more angina (baseline SAQ angina frequency ≤ 60 ; mean difference 3.4; 95% CI 0.6, 6.2; $P=0.02$), but was not maintained at month 12.

Conclusions—Despite ICR following PCI, there was no incremental benefit in angina or QOL measures by adding ranolazine in this angiographically-identified population. These measures markedly improved within 1 month of PCI and persisted up to 1 year in both treatment arms.

Clinical Trial Registration—URL: <http://www.clinicaltrials.gov>. Unique identifier: NCT01442038.

(*Circulation*. 2016;133:39-47. DOI: 10.1161/CIRCULATIONAHA.115.019768.)



Frequenza di angina
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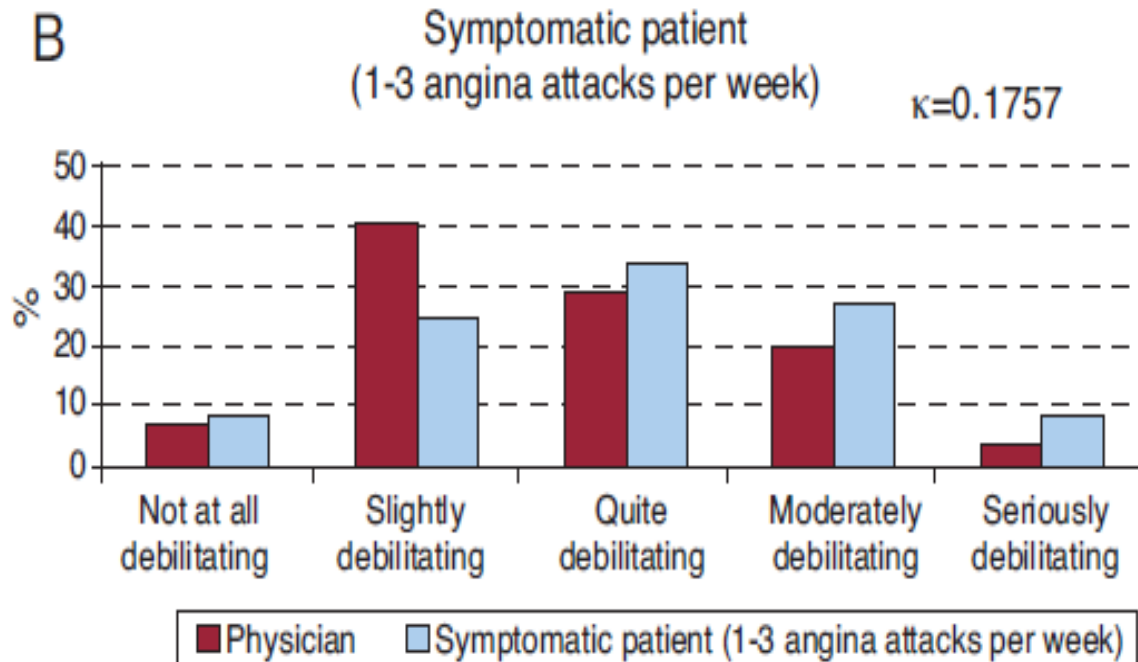
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Percezione del medico e del paziente sulla efficacia del trattamento sui sintomi anginosi

Stable Angina in Spain and its Impact on Quality of Life. The AVANCE Registry

Borras X, Rev Esp Cardiol 2012

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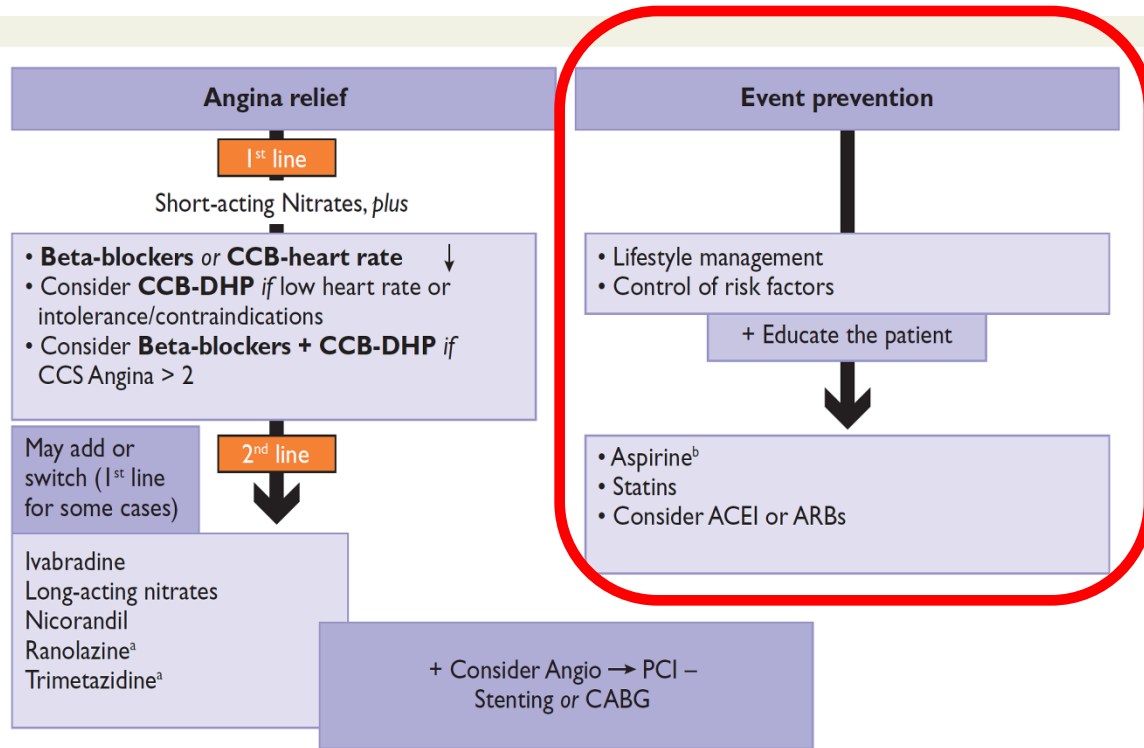


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FARMACI INNOVATIVI: EZETIMIBE

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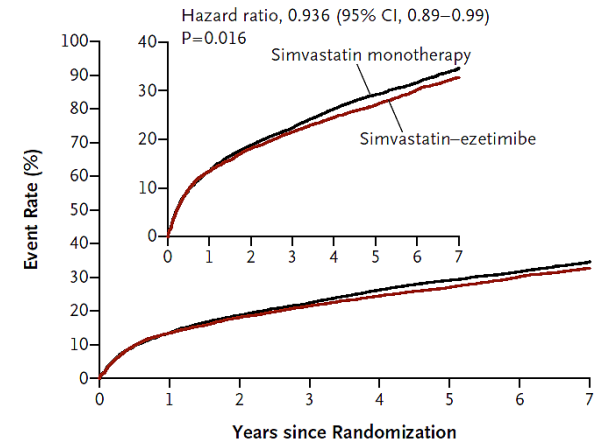
Ezetimibe Added to Statin Therapy after Acute Coronary Syndromes

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CONCLUSIONS

When added to statin therapy, ezetimibe resulted in incremental lowering of LDL cholesterol levels and improved cardiovascular outcomes. Moreover, lowering LDL cholesterol to levels below previous targets provided additional benefit. (Funded by Merck; IMPROVE-IT ClinicalTrials.gov number, NCT00202878.)

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No. at Risk

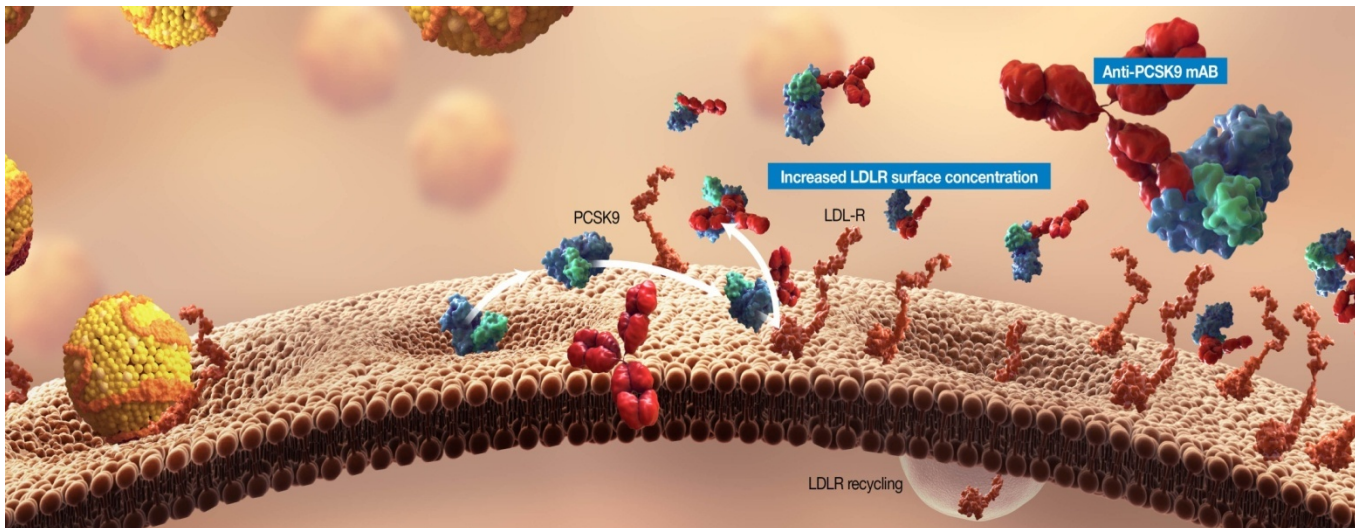
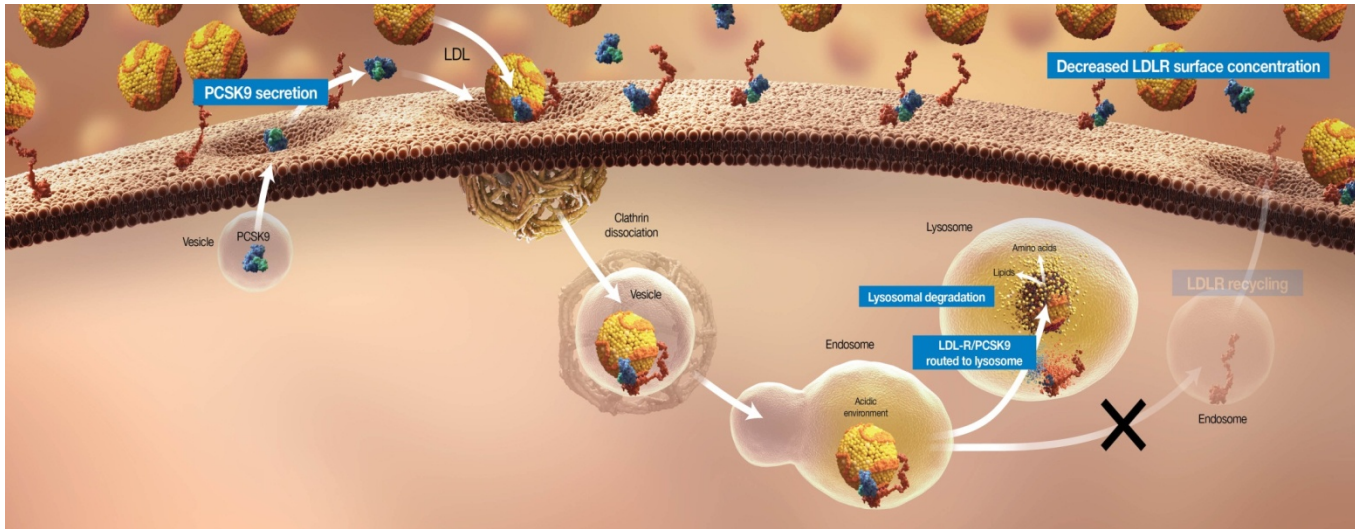
Simvastatin-ezetimibe	9067	7371	6801	6375	5839	4284	3301	1906
Simvastatin	9077	7455	6799	6327	5729	4206	3284	1857

Figure 1. Kaplan-Meier Curves for the Primary Efficacy End Point.

Shown are the cumulative event rates for the primary composite end point of death from cardiovascular disease, a major coronary event (nonfatal myocardial infarction, documented unstable angina requiring hospital admission, or coronary revascularization occurring at least 30 days after randomization), or nonfatal stroke in the intention-to-treat population during the overall study period (i.e., beginning from the time of randomization to the day of the first occurrence of a primary end-point event, the day of the last office or phone visit, or the day of death during follow-up). The inset shows the same data on an enlarged y axis.



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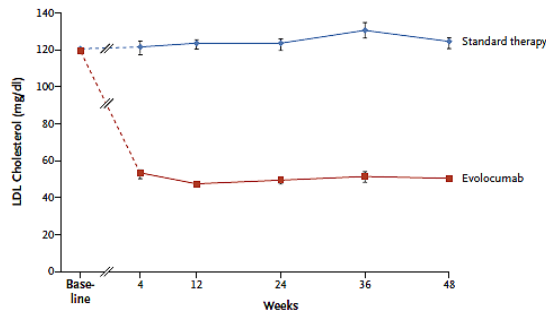


EVOLOCUMAB

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Efficacy and Safety of Evolocumab in Reducing Lipids and Cardiovascular Events

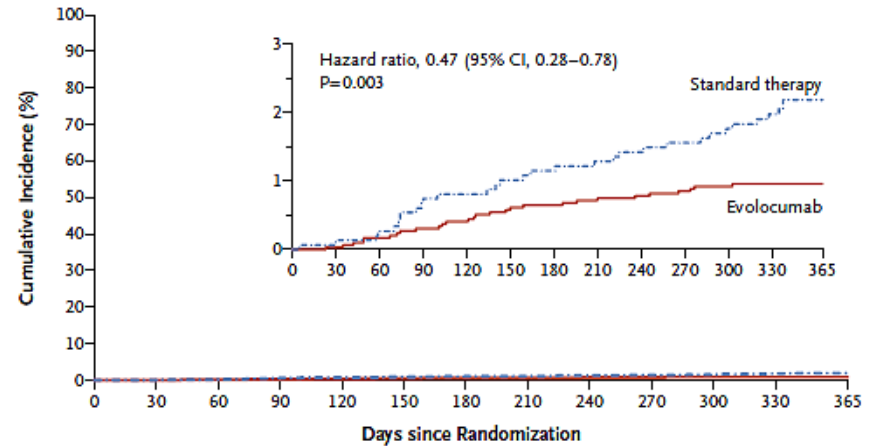
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No. at Risk	Standard therapy	Evolocumab
Baseline	1489	2976
4	394	864
12	1388	2871
24	1376	2828
36	402	841
48	1219	2508
Absolute reduction (mg/dl)	60.4	73.4
Percentage reduction	45.3	60.9
P value	<0.001	<0.001

CONCLUSIONS

During approximately 1 year of therapy, the use of evolocumab plus standard therapy, as compared with standard therapy alone, significantly reduced LDL cholesterol levels and reduced the incidence of cardiovascular events in a prespecified but exploratory analysis. (Funded by Amgen; OSLER-1 and OSLER-2 ClinicalTrials.gov numbers, NCT01439880 and NCT01854918.)



No. at Risk	Standard therapy	Evolocumab
0	1489	2976
30	1486	2970
60	1481	2962
90	1473	2949
120	1467	2938
150	1463	2930
180	1458	2920
210	1454	2910
240	1447	2901
270	1438	2885
300	1428	2871
330	1361	2778
365	407	843

Figure 2. Cumulative Incidence of Cardiovascular Events.

Included among the cardiovascular events were death, myocardial infarction, unstable angina requiring hospitalization, coronary revascularization, stroke, transient ischemic attack, and hospitalization for heart failure. Cardiovascular events were reported in 29 of 2976 patients in the evolocumab group (Kaplan–Meier 1-year event rate, 0.95%) and in 31 of 1489 patients in the standard-therapy group (Kaplan–Meier 1-year event rate, 2.18%). The inset shows the same data on an expanded y axis. The P value was calculated with the use of a log-rank test.



NEW DRUGS OLD PROBLEMS

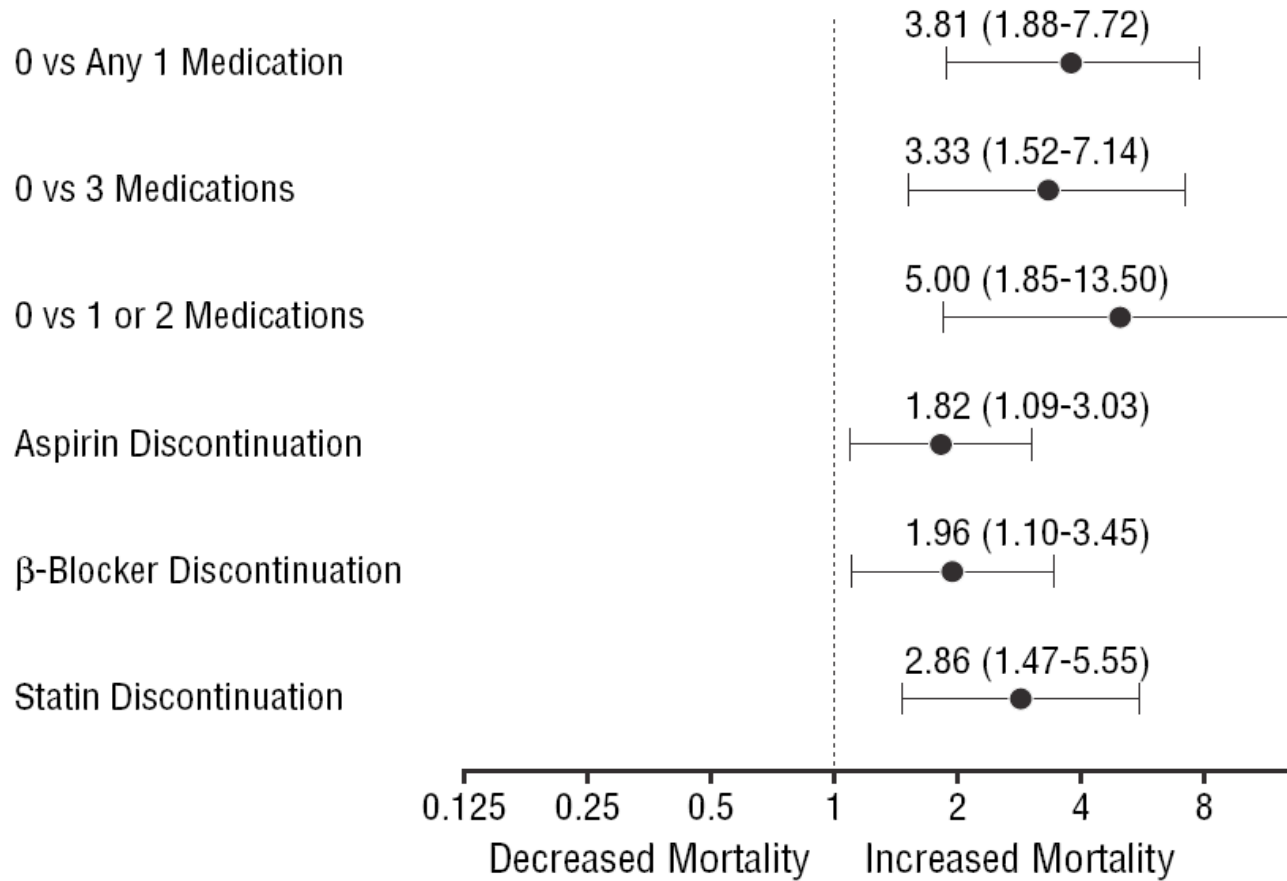
**Long-term adherence to EB
secondary prevention therapies after ACS
(Duke Databank n=31750 pts)**

Adherence to pharmacological therapy after 6 months

Aspirin	76.6%
B-blockers	50.9%
Statins	40.5%
ACE-i/ATII	31.0%
CC blockers	29.4%



DISCONTINUATION OF EB THERAPIES AFTER ACS AND CLINICAL OUTCOME



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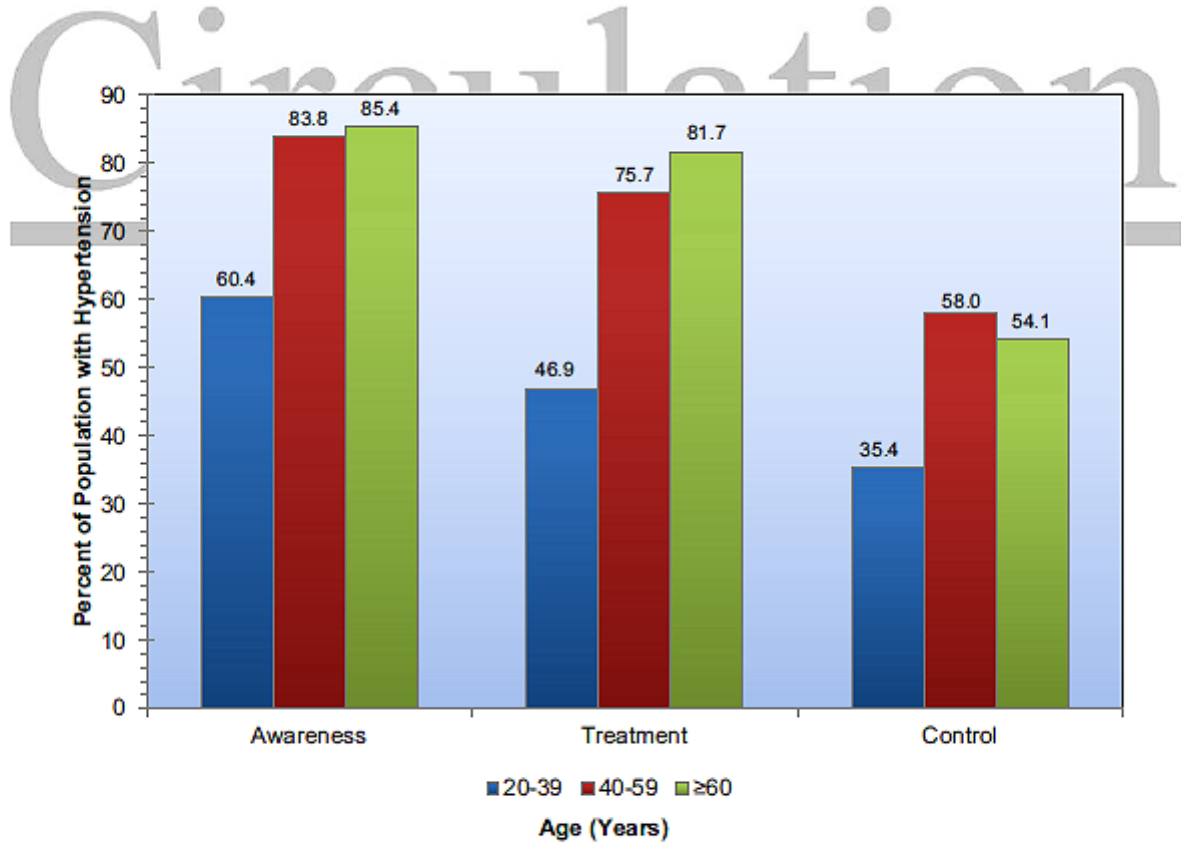


Chart 9-4. Extent of awareness, treatment, and control of high blood pressure by age (National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey: 2007–2012). Hypertension is defined as systolic blood pressure ≥ 140 mmHg or diastolic blood pressure ≥ 90 mmHg, or if the subject said “yes” to taking antihypertensive medication. Source: National Center for Health Statistics and National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute.



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