

Diagnosi di cardiopatia ischemica cronica:
vantaggi e limiti relativi delle tecniche a confronto

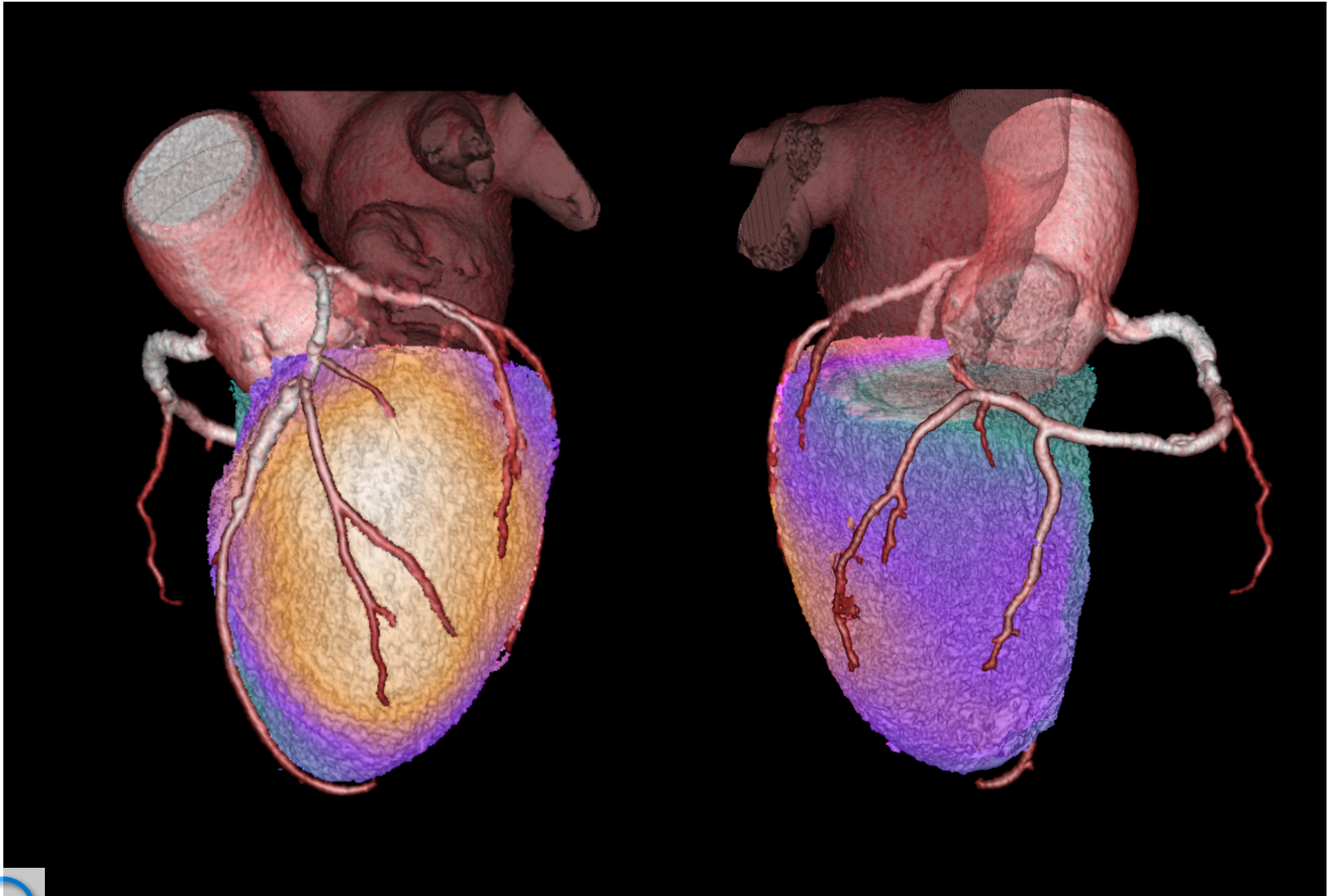
Medicina Nucleare

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Fusion CCTA-SPECT Imaging (Exercise Stress SPECT)

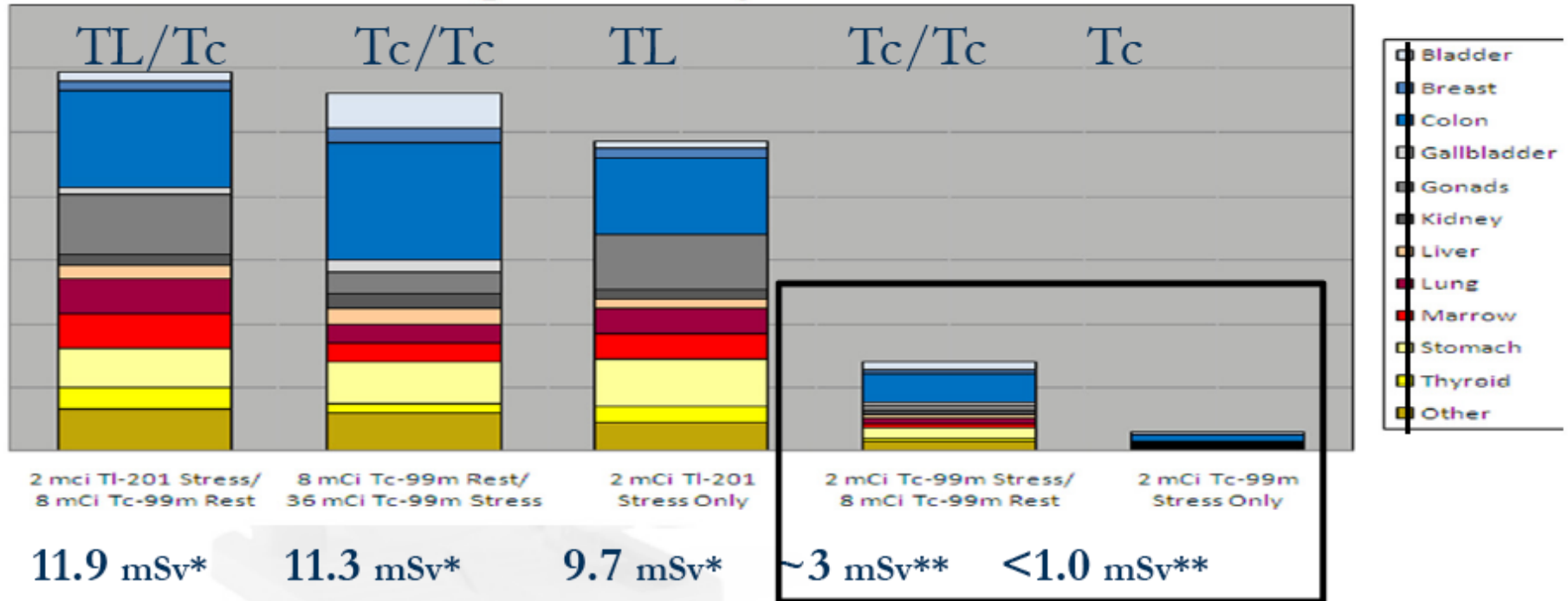


Limits



Radiation exposure

Effective Dose and Organ Weighted Equivalent Doses of High-Efficiency MPI Protocols



CZT SPECT



The Continuum of Coronary Artery Disease

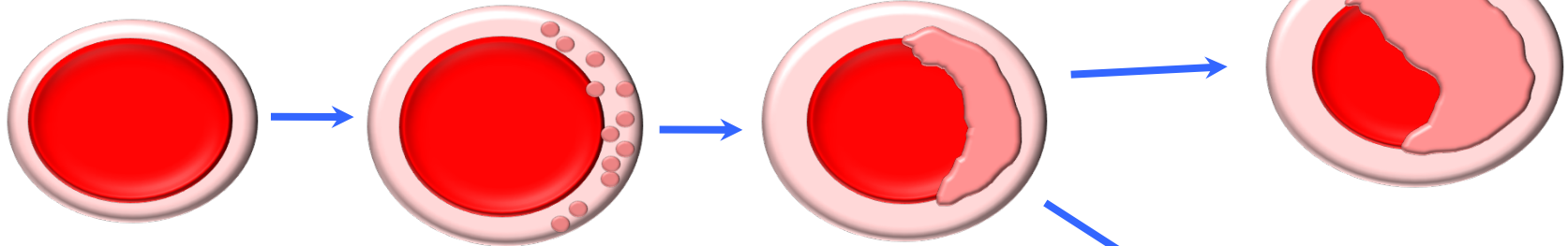
Preclinical Disease

Clinical Disease

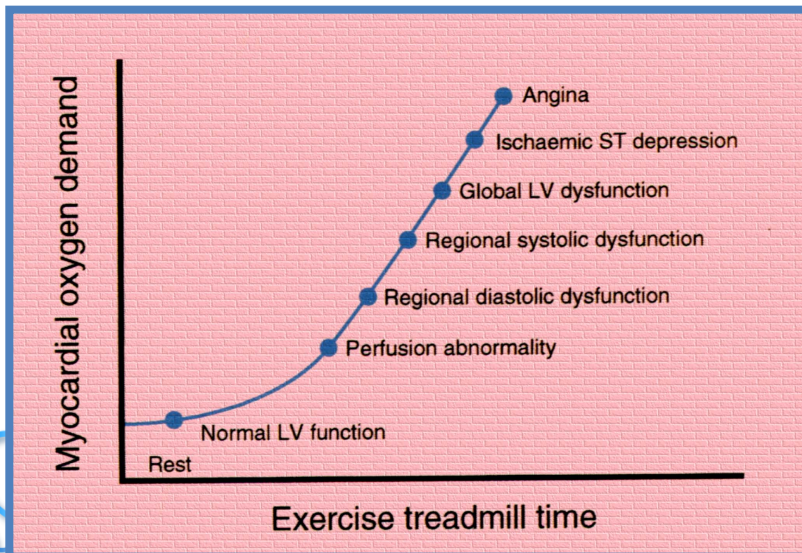
Abnormal Vascular Reactivity (Endothelial Dysfunction)

Vascular Remodeling and Plaque

Stable Flow Limiting Coronary Stenosis



Acute Occlusion



Microcirculation

The tip of the iceberg
Resolution $>500 \mu\text{m}$



The hidden side of the iceberg
Resolution $<500 \mu\text{m}$



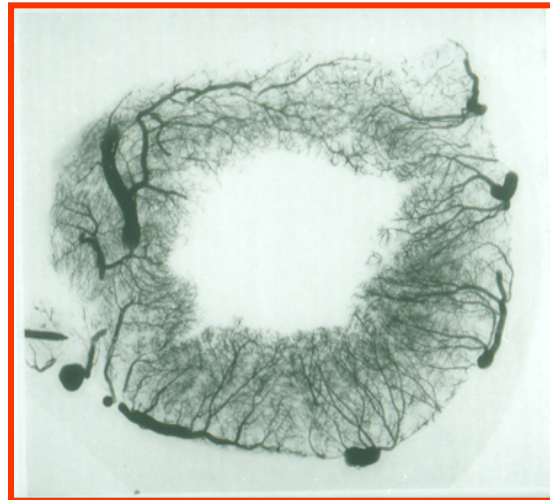
Coronary Microvascular Dysfunction

MACRO vessels



Even in the absence of stenosis

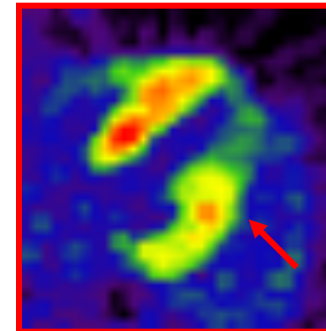
MICRO vessels



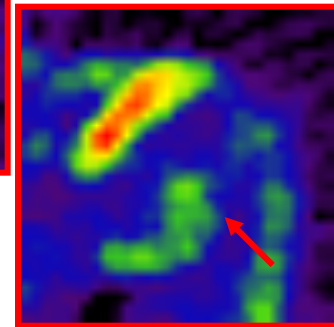
... blood flow can be blunted at the Microvascular level

TISSUE perfusion

<< Resting MBF



<< Max MBF



... causing reduced myocardial perfusion and even ischemia



ESC Guideline on Stable CAD 2013

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

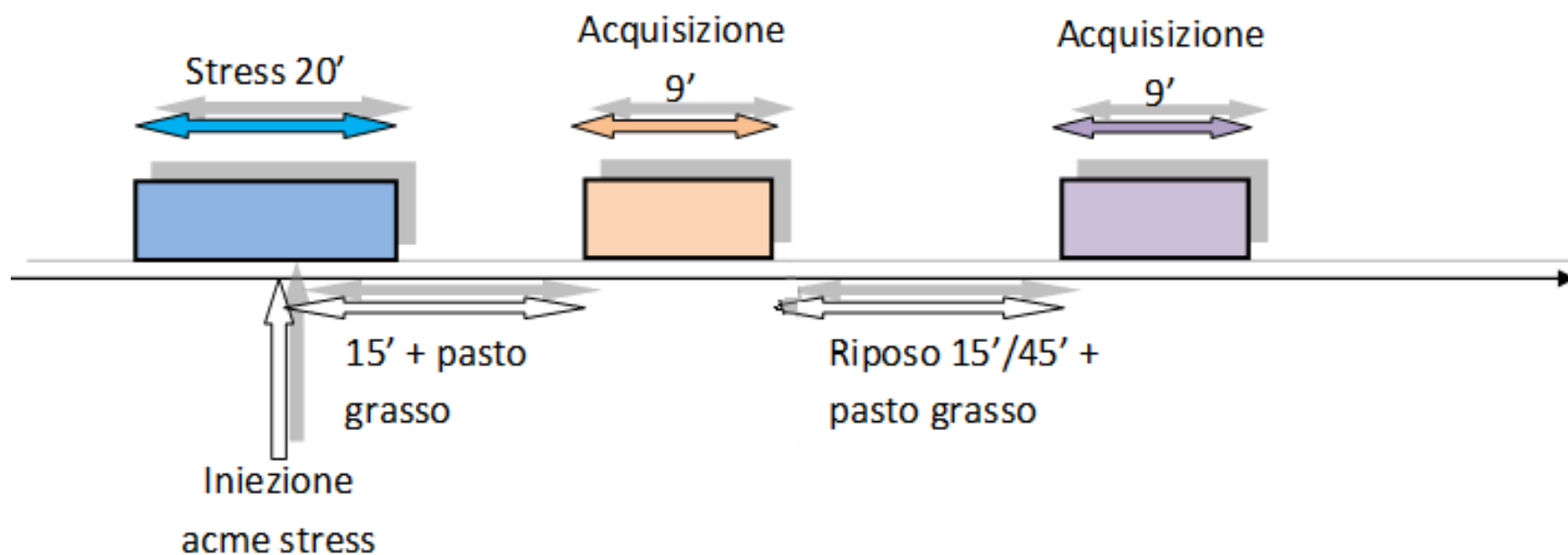
ACS = acute coronary syndrome; LV = left ventricular; SCAD = stable coronary artery disease.



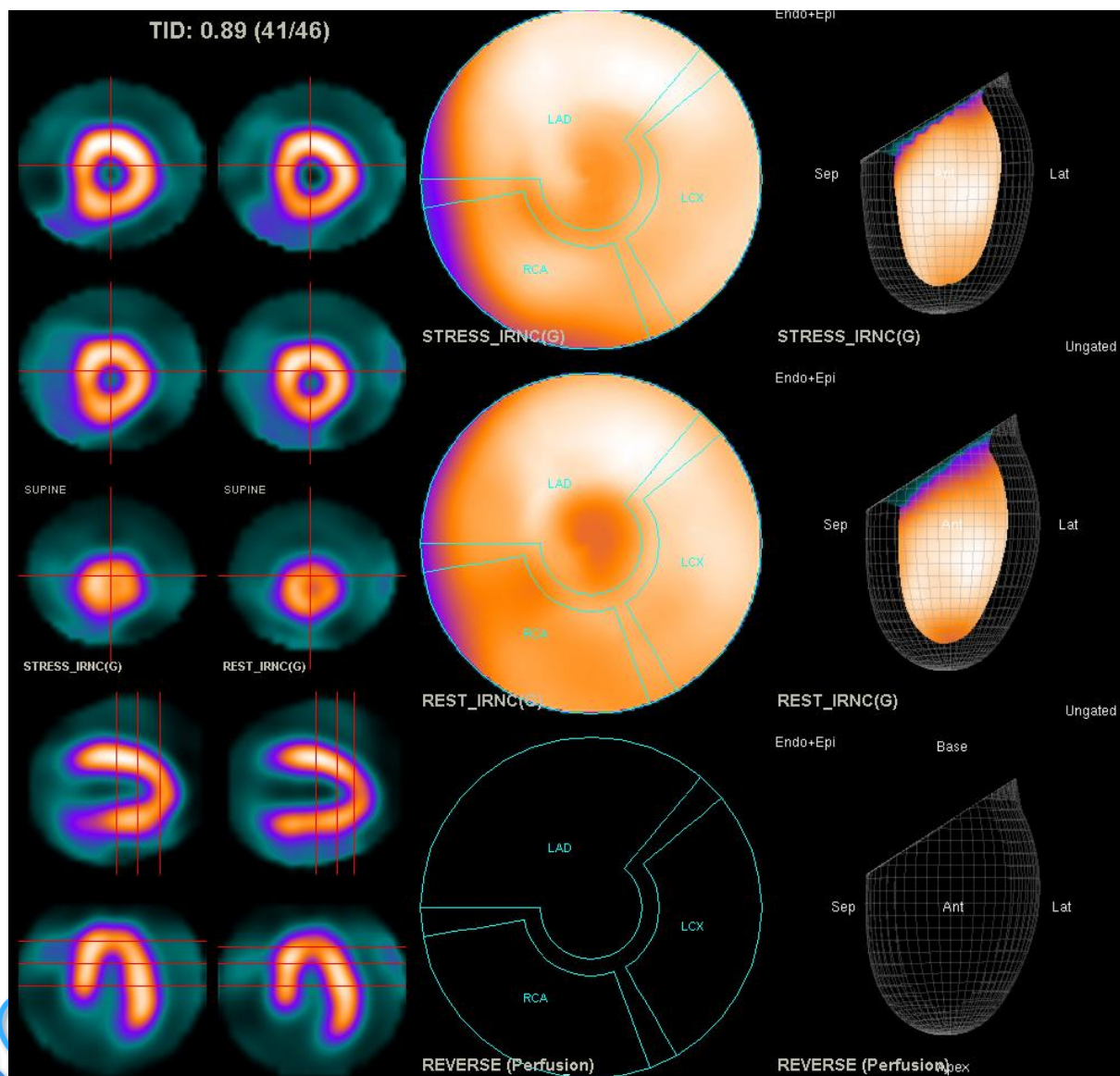
Advantages



Acquisition Protocol



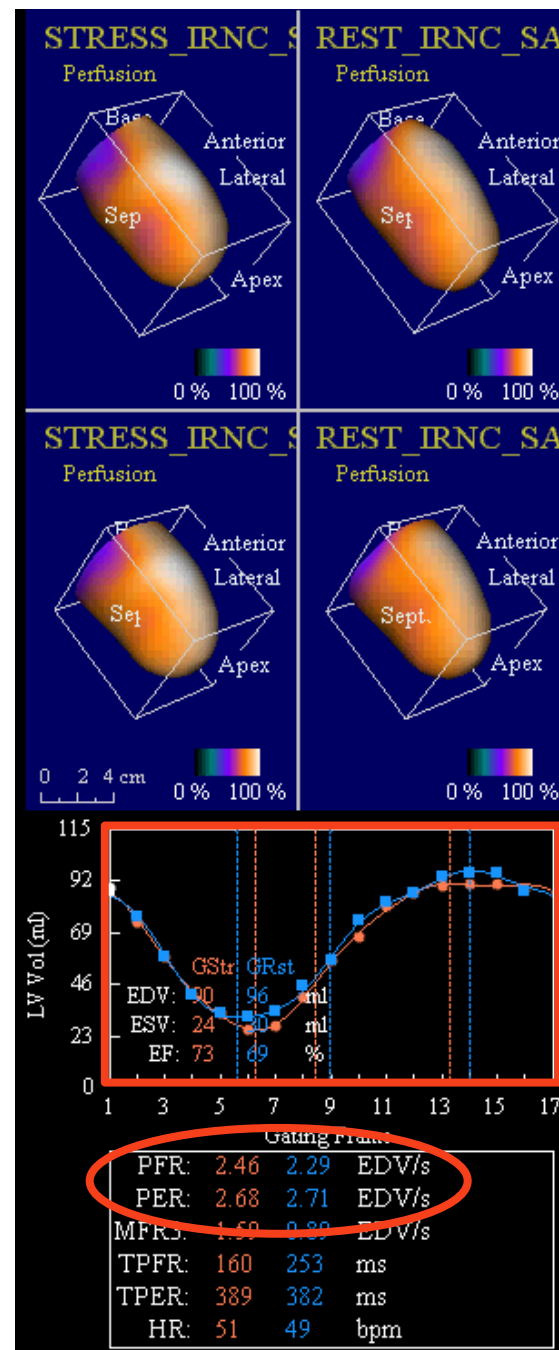
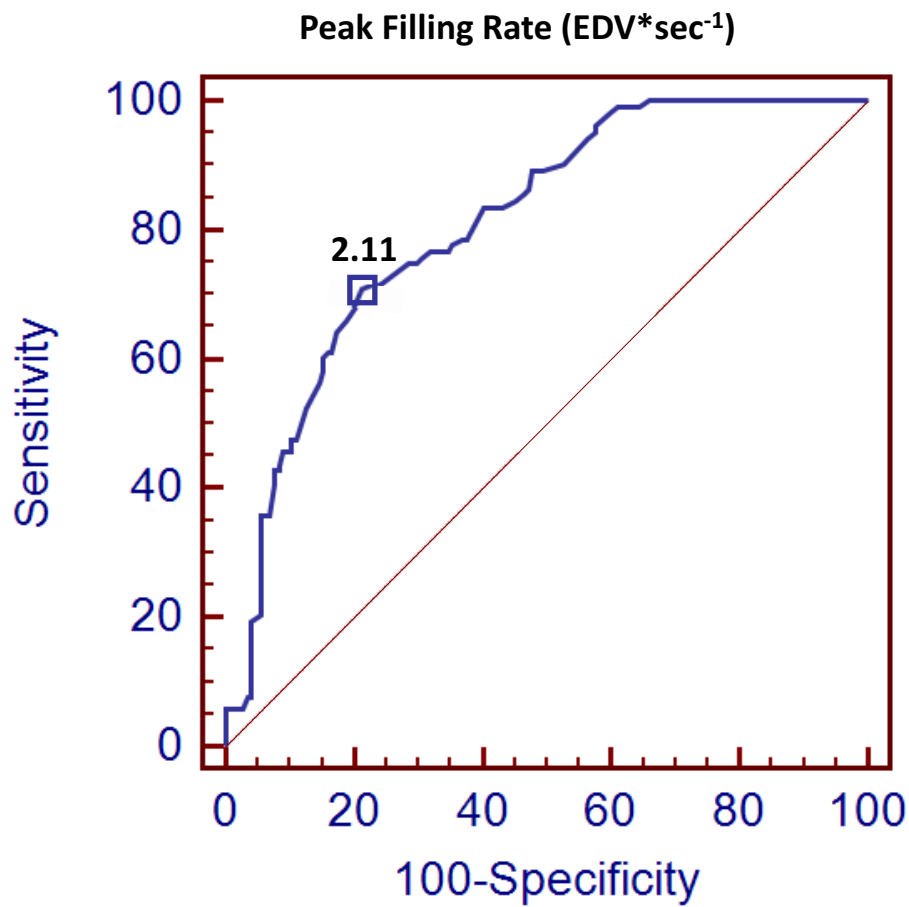
Normal stress-rest MPS (CZT – low dose, ultra fast protocol)



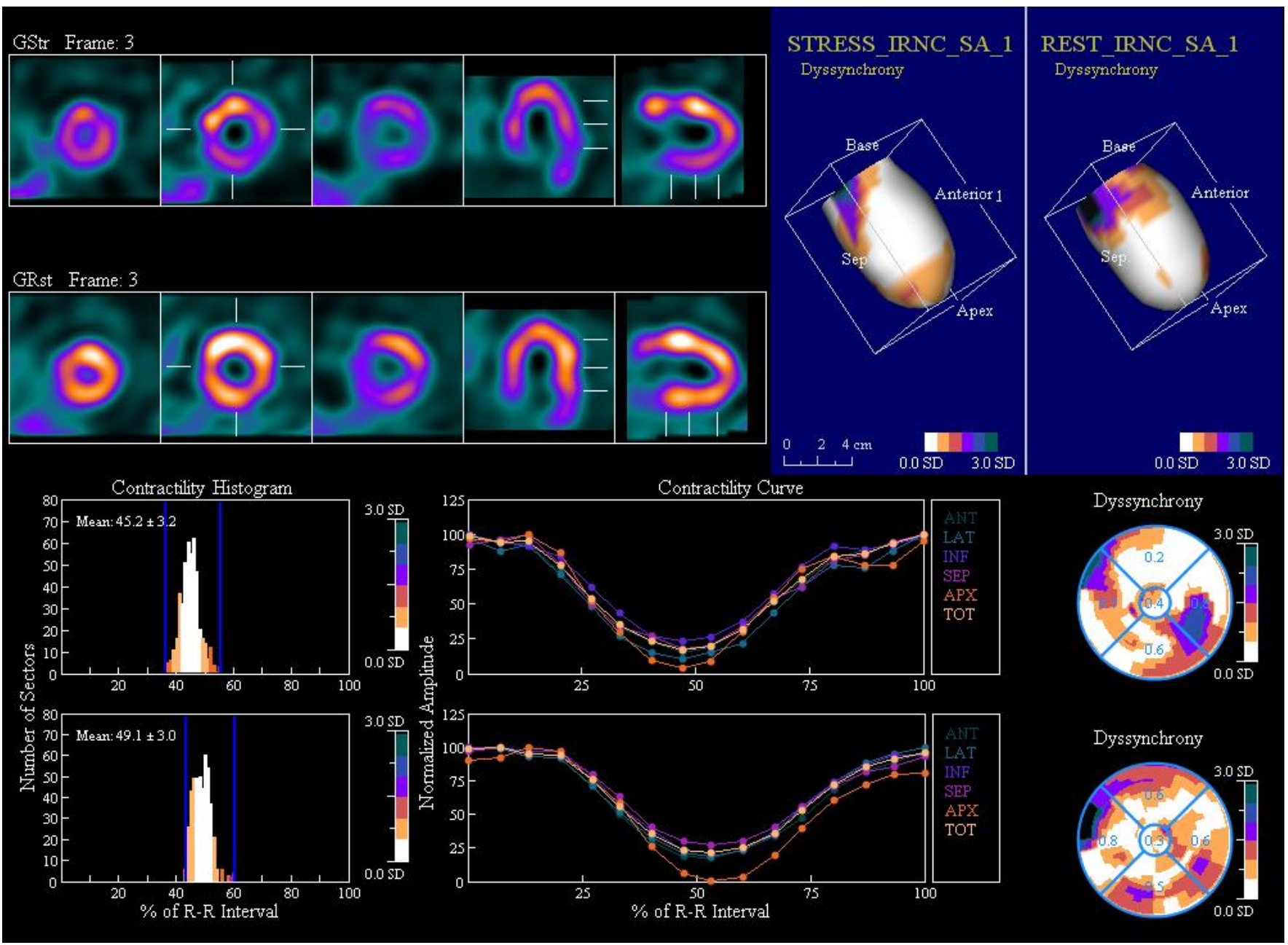
Dosimetry 4.3 mSv

	REST	STRESS
RPP	9103	23550
LVEF %	53	52
EDV ml	129	127
ESV ml	60	62
PFR EDV/sec	2,16	
Mass gr	147	
SDS semiquant	2	

Diastolic Function



Dyssynchrony (Corridor 4DM™, GE Xeleris III)



Case #1

Male, 63 yrs

SSS 19

SRS 8

SDS 11

FE stress 34%

VTD stress 185 mL

VTS stress 125 mL

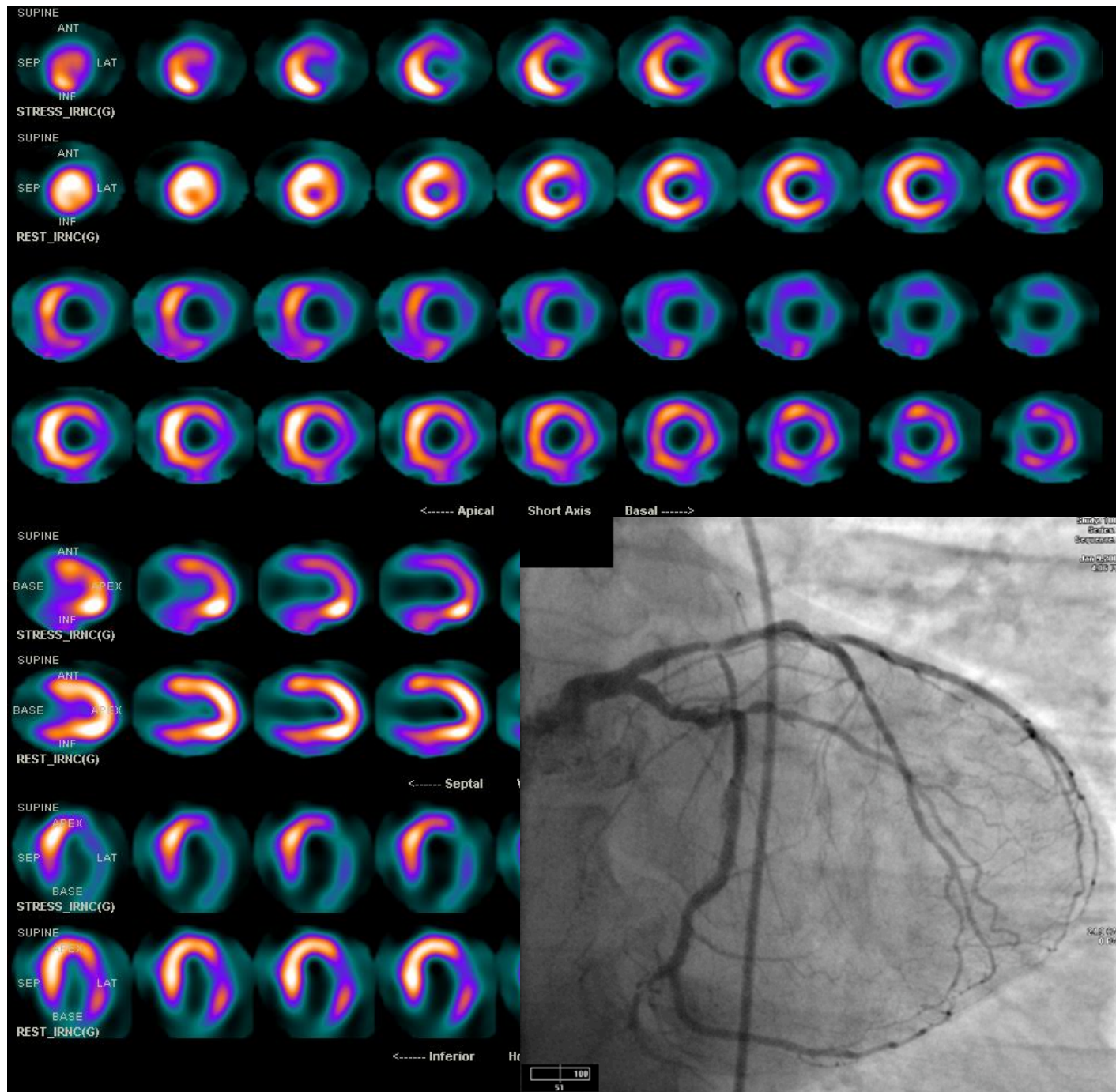
FE rest 40%

VTD rest 155 mL

VTS rest 195 mL

Average
radioexposure
(mSv)

3.9



Case #2

LR, male, 46 yrs

Risk factors: family history for CAD, hypertension

2008: anterior MI > LAD stent

Echo: LVEF 47% Akinesis of the apex, hypokinesis of anterior wall and apical antero-septal region, EF 47%

Therapy: aspirin, ACE-inhibitors, beta-blockers,

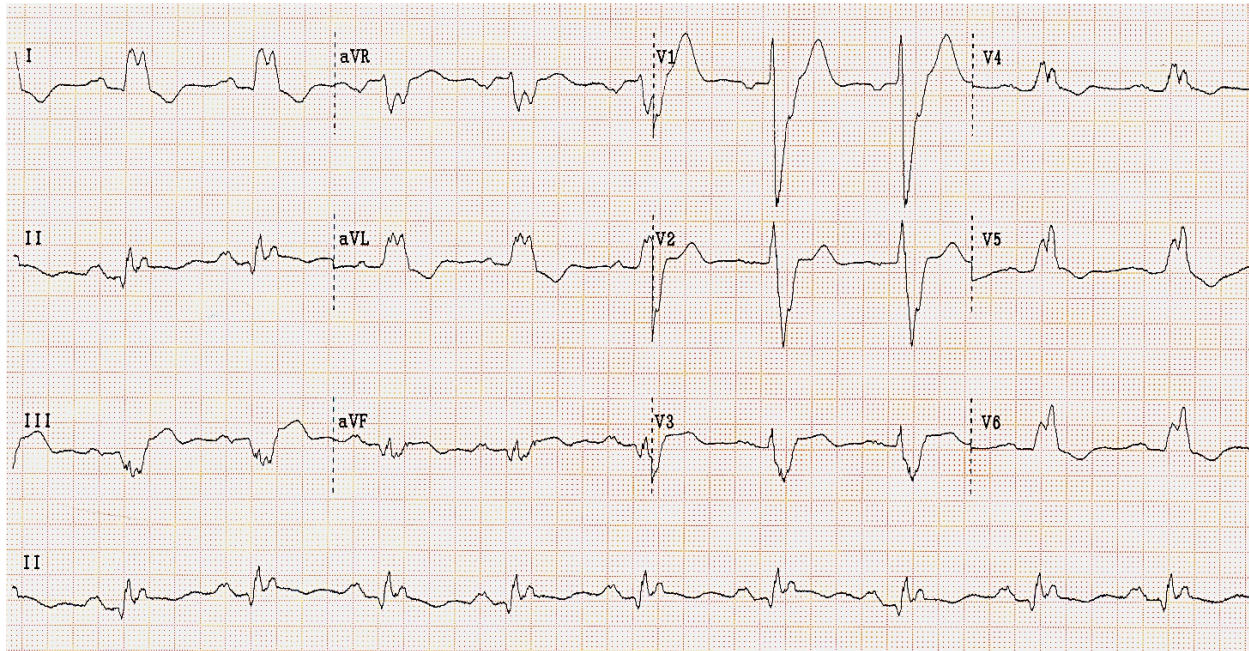
Progressive reduction of exercise tolerance

2013: no angina, NYHA IIb

Echo EF 47% (2008) > EF 34% (2013)



Case #2



Rest EKG

RSR 60/min, PR 200 ms, QRS 240 ms, LBBB



Case #2: Several issue

Ischaemia: Yes or No?

CAD: Yes or No?

LV Function and Size?

Viability: Yes or NO?

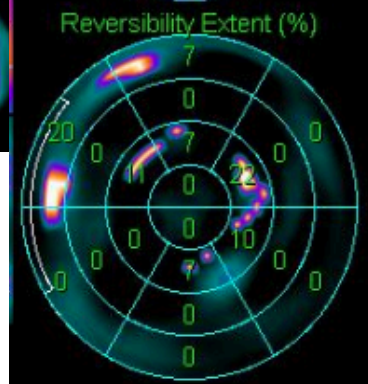
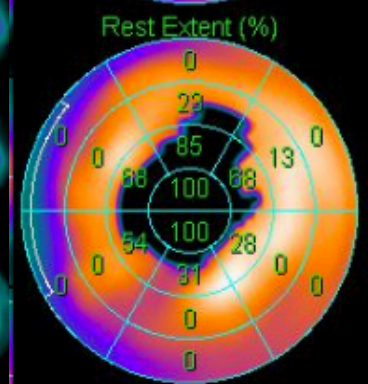
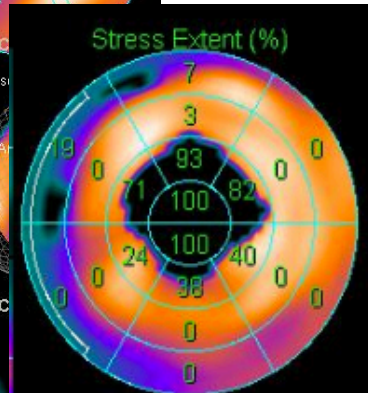
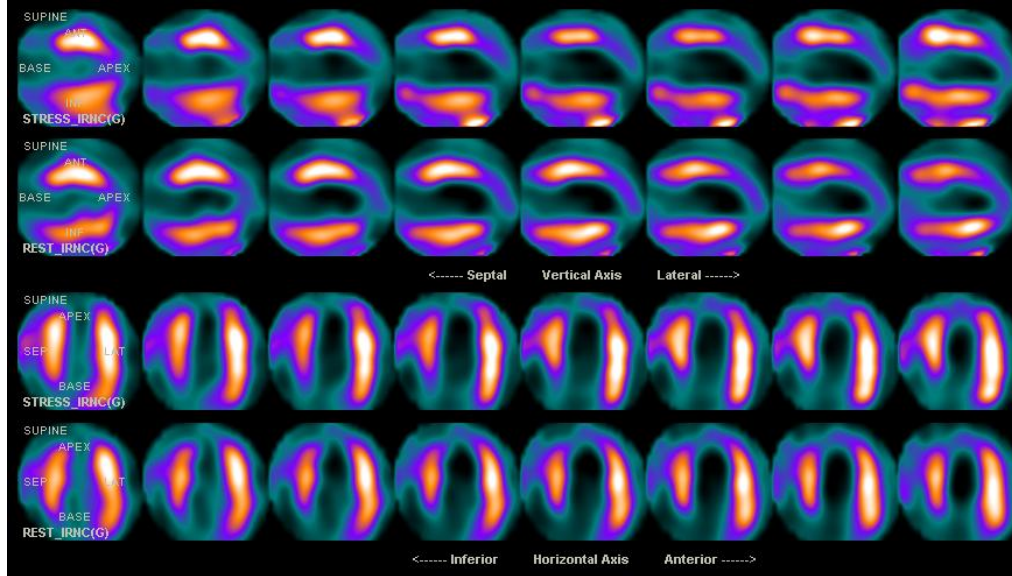
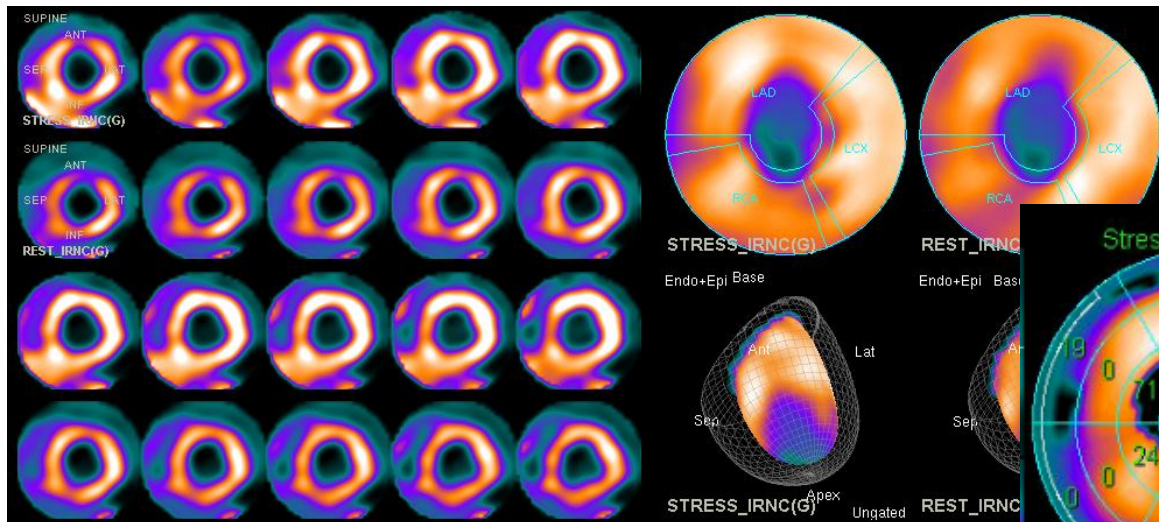
Clinical Decision making



Gated SPECT provides:

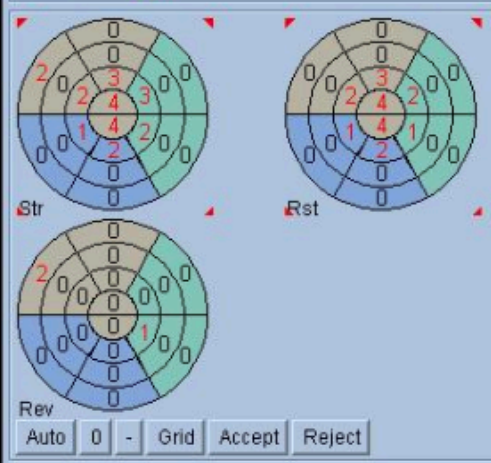
- Ischaemia and viability identification, semiquantitative
- ED-ES volumes (absolute and normalized to BMI or BSA)
- EF%
- LV mass (absolute/normalized)
- LV Peak Filling Rate as EDV/sec
- Synchronicity of LV contraction as SD of LV histogram





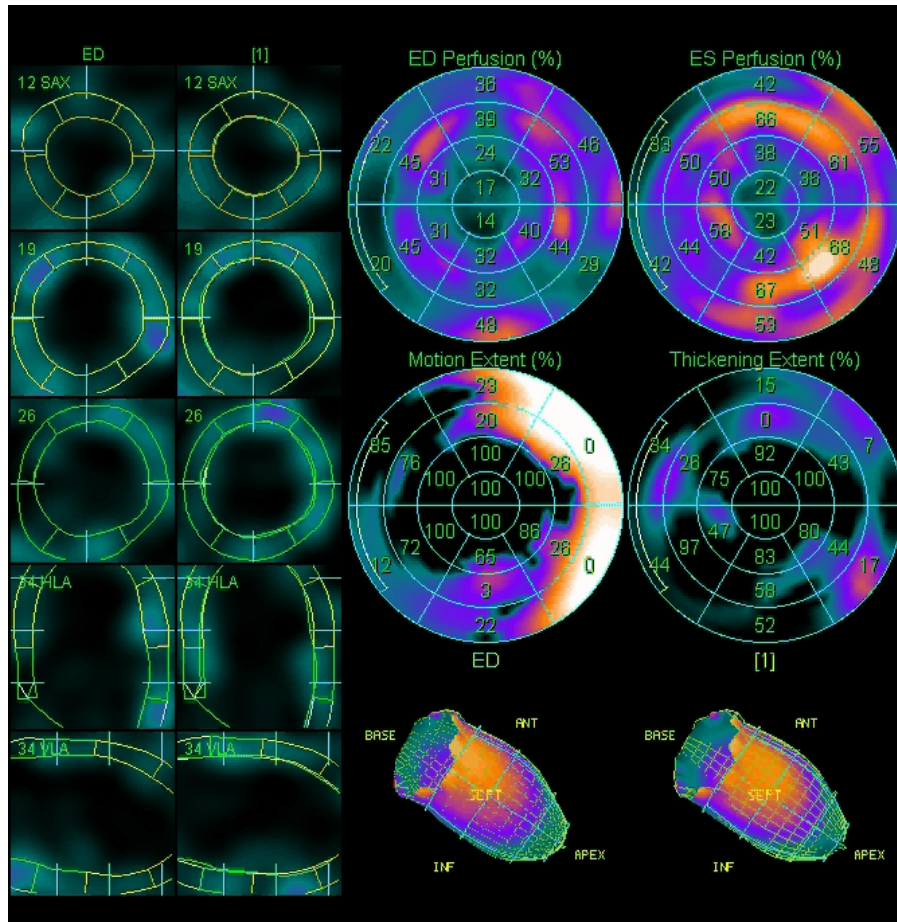
SRS	22	SRS	18	SDS	3
Study	NUCLEAR-One Day				
Dataset	STRESS_IRNC_SA				
Date	2013-03-20 10:26:12				
Database	MaleStressMB				
Volume	229ml				
Area	223cm ²				
Defect	57cm ²				
Extent	26%				
TPD	22%				

Study	NUCLEAR-One Day				
Dataset	REST_IRNC_SA				
Date	2013-03-20 11:34:15				
Database	MaleRestMB				
Volume	201ml				
Area	203cm ²				
Defect	50cm ²				
Extent	24%				
TPD	20%				



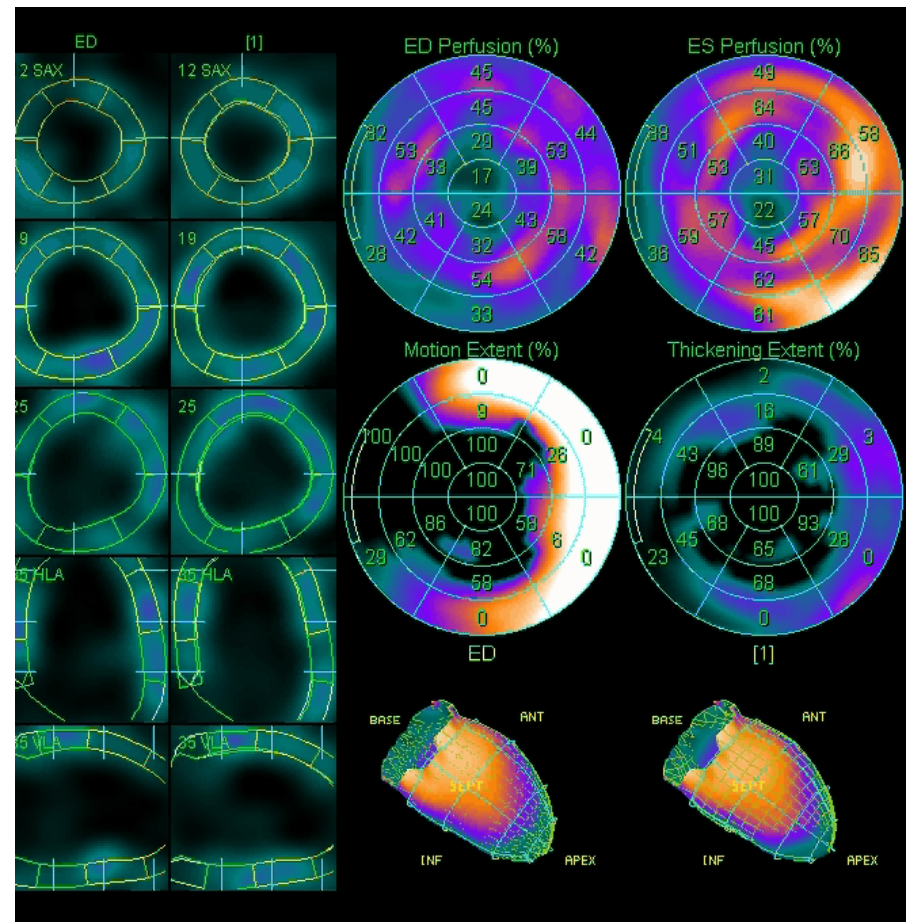
Dose:
4.7 mSv

STRESS



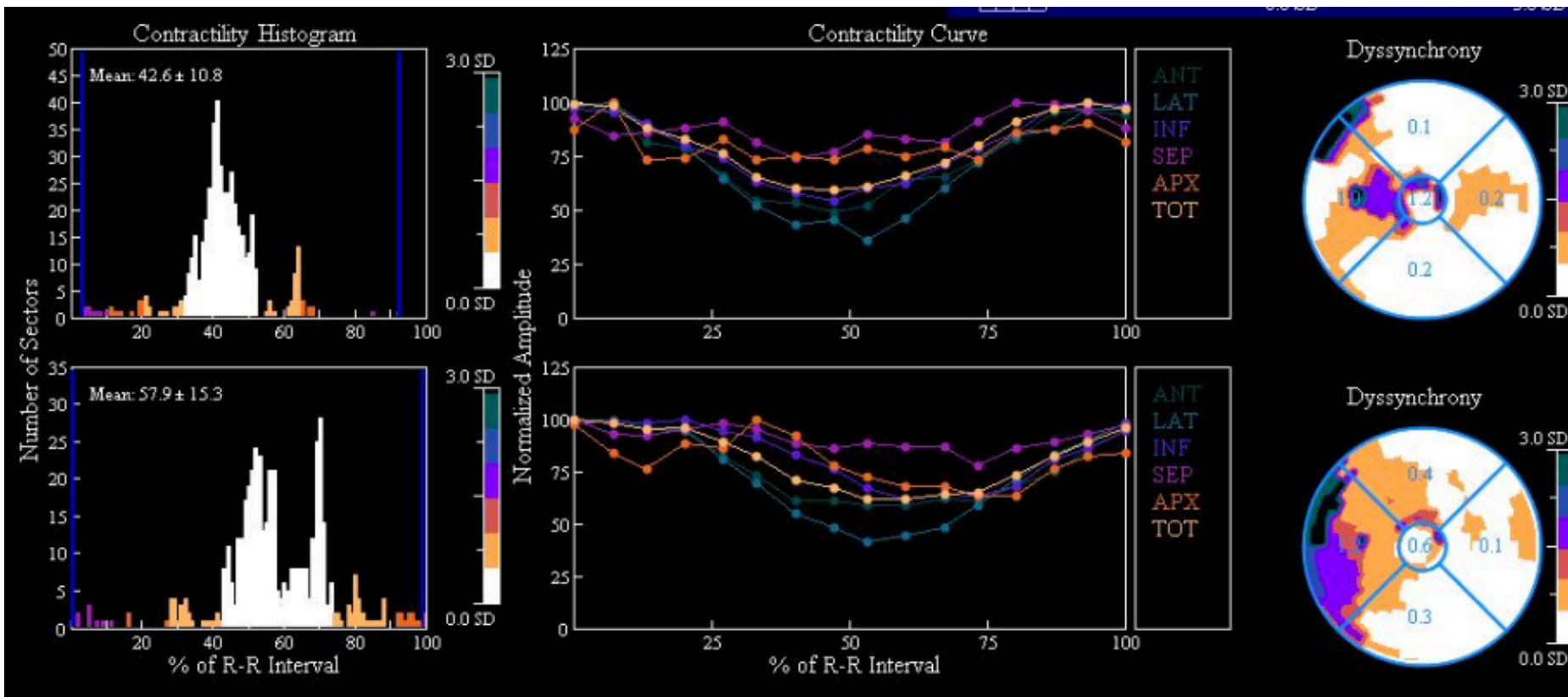
EF 33%
EDV 285 mL
ESV 183 mL

REST

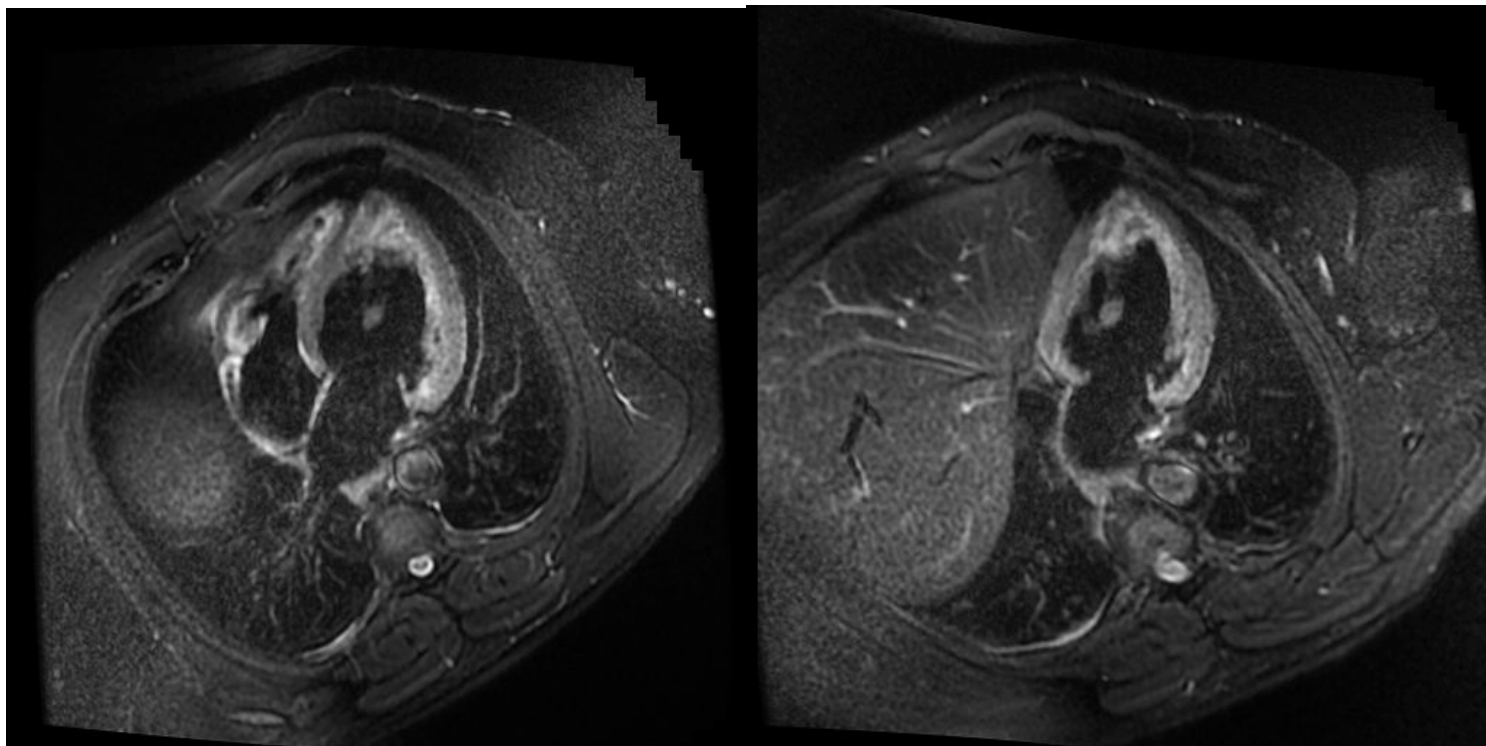
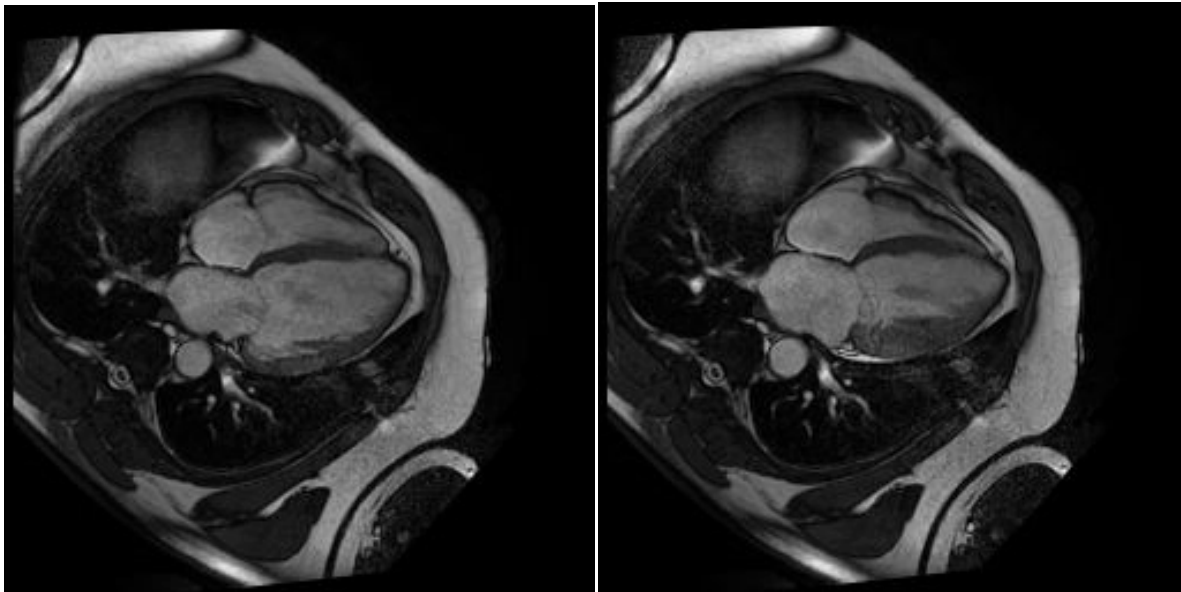


EF 35%
EDV 270 mL
ESV 167 mL





Cardiac MRI



Come back to Case #2

Ischaemia: Yes

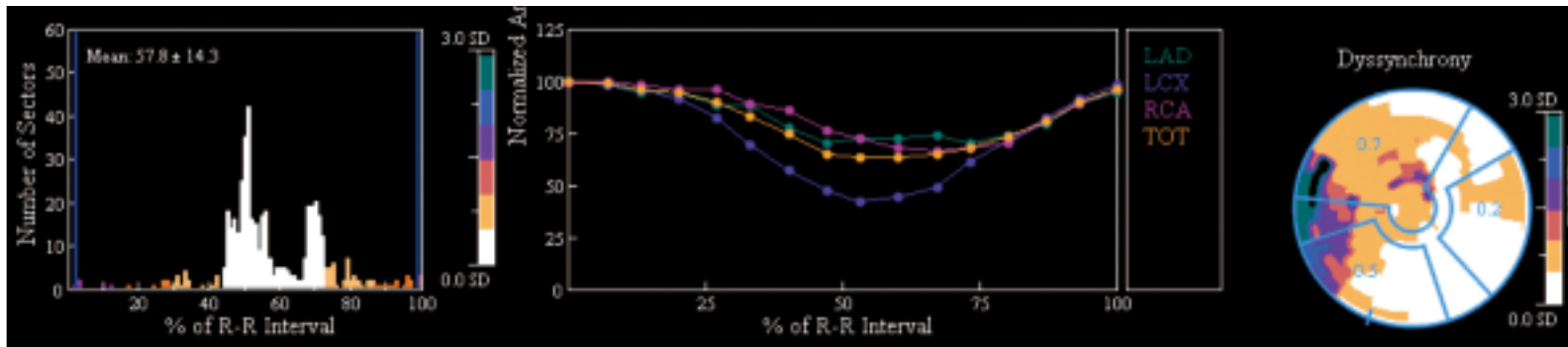
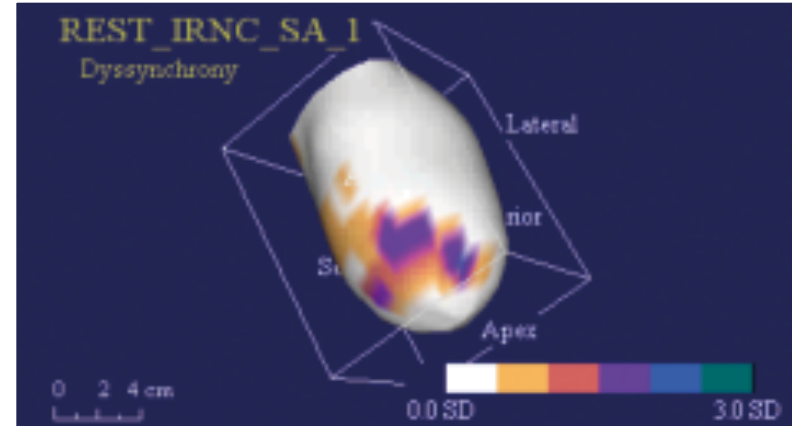
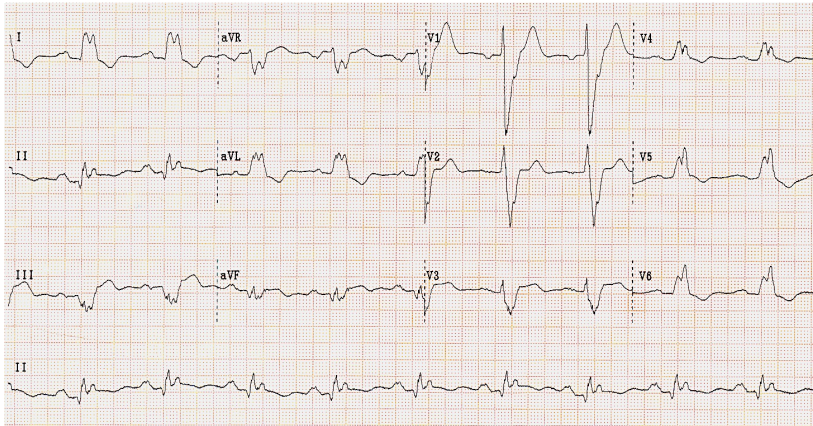
CAD: Yes

LV Function and Size: Yes

Viability: Yes

Clinical Decision making





Summary: Volume overload and dyssynchrony rather than ischaemia are responsible for HF symptoms



Management: CRT-P

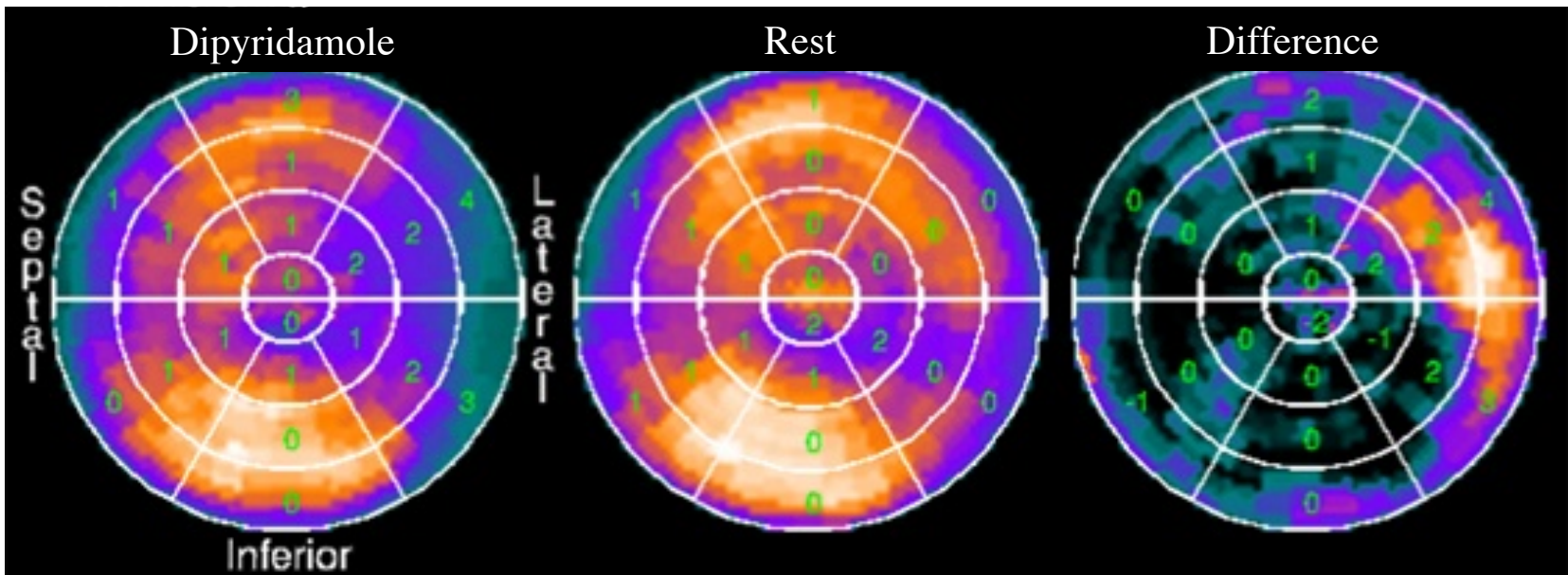
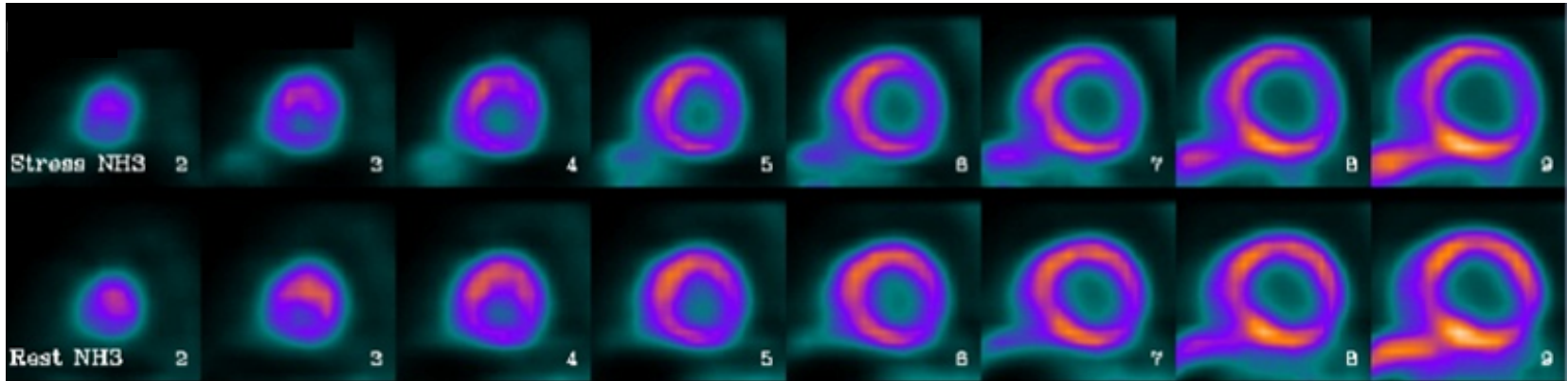


Evaluation of Myocardial Blood Flow



Evaluation of MBF by NH₃-PET

Regional and Global MBF Impairment



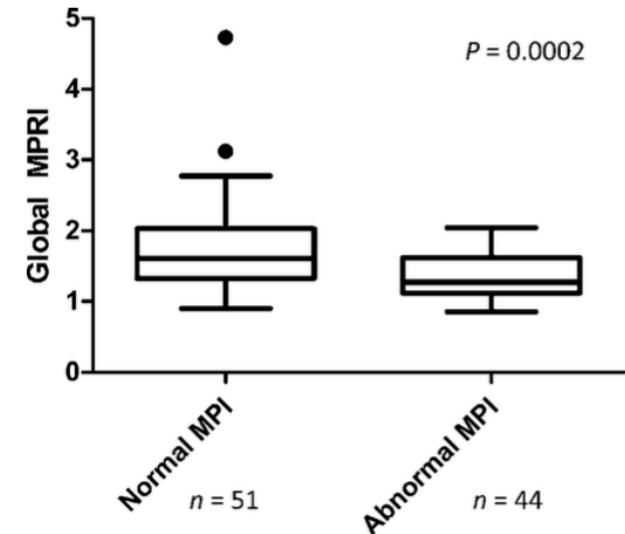
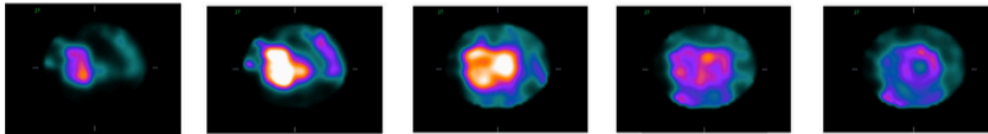
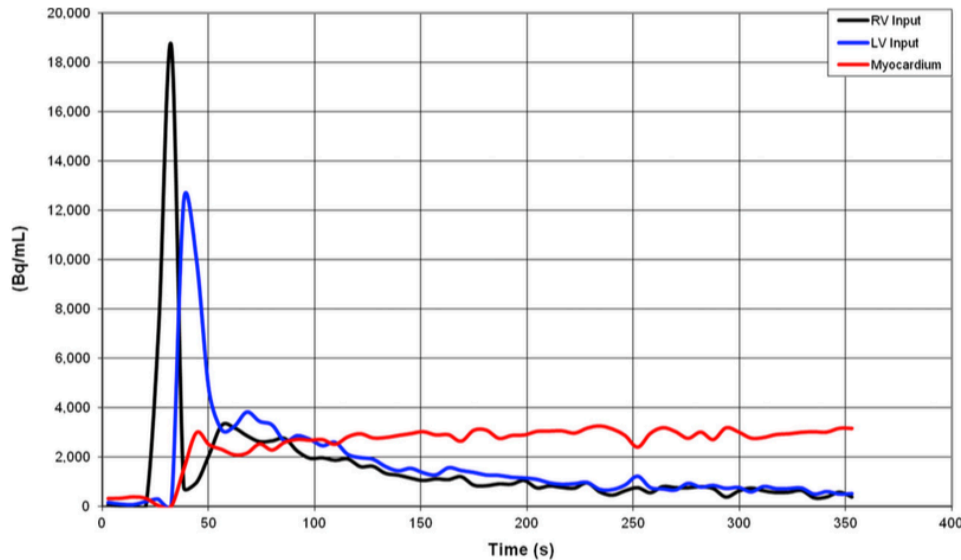
MBF= 0.83 ml/min/g

MBF= 0.39 ml/min/g

MBF Res= 2.13



MBF and Coronary Flow Reserve



Global MPIR index in normal and abnormal MPI. Filled circles represent data points outside error bars.

Simona Ben-Haim et al. J Nucl Med 2013; 54: 873-9.

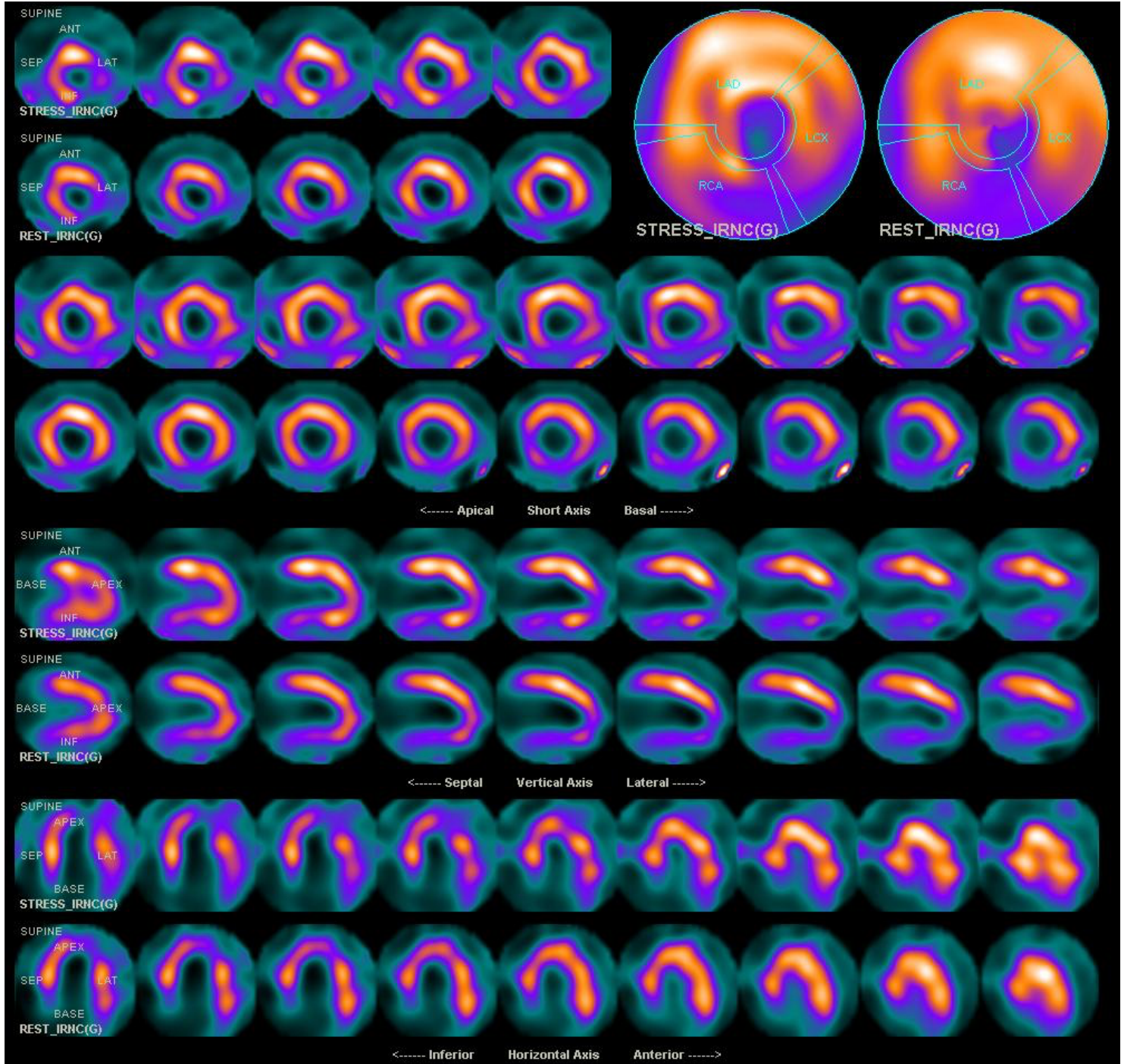
Quantification of Myocardial Perfusion Reserve Using Dynamic SPECT Imaging in Humans: A Feasibility Study

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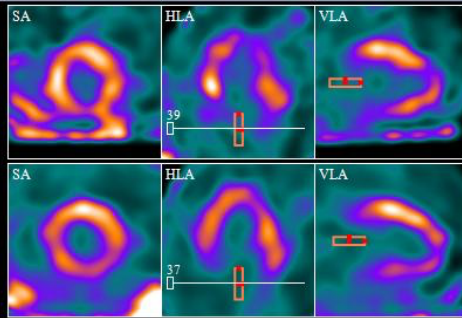
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Pt #3



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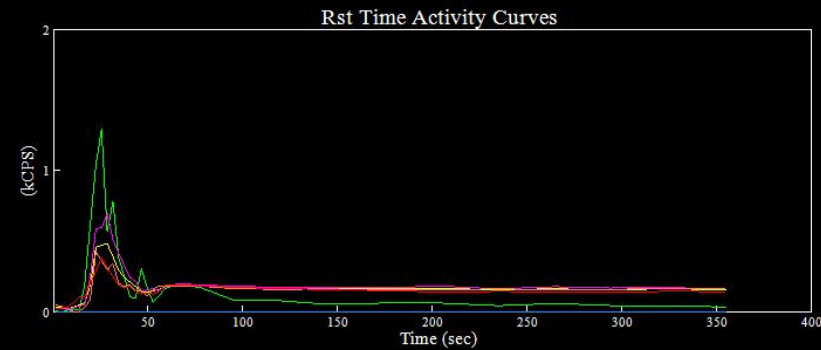
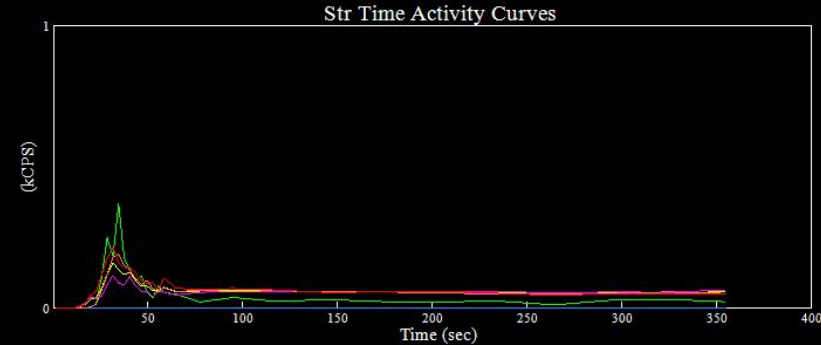
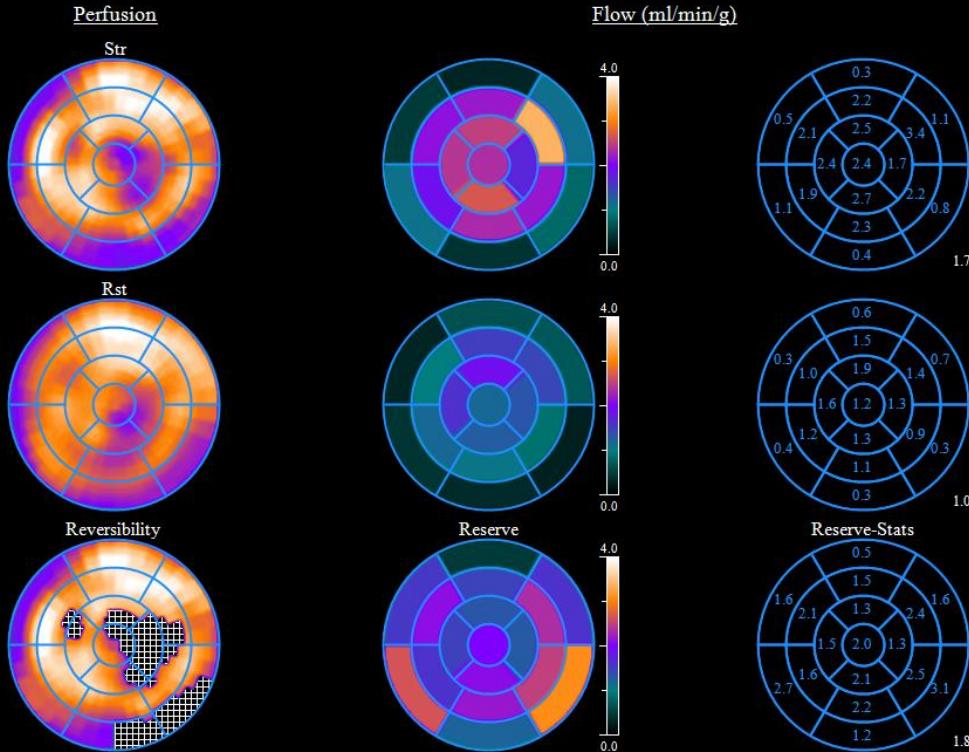


Global Results

Region	Mean		Flow (ml/min/g)		Reserve
	Str	Rst	Str	Rst	
LAD	78 %	79 %	1.65	1.08	1.53
LCX	71 %	73 %	1.71	0.84	2.04
RCA	73 %	69 %	1.83	0.91	2.02
TOT	75 %	74 %	1.72	0.96	1.78

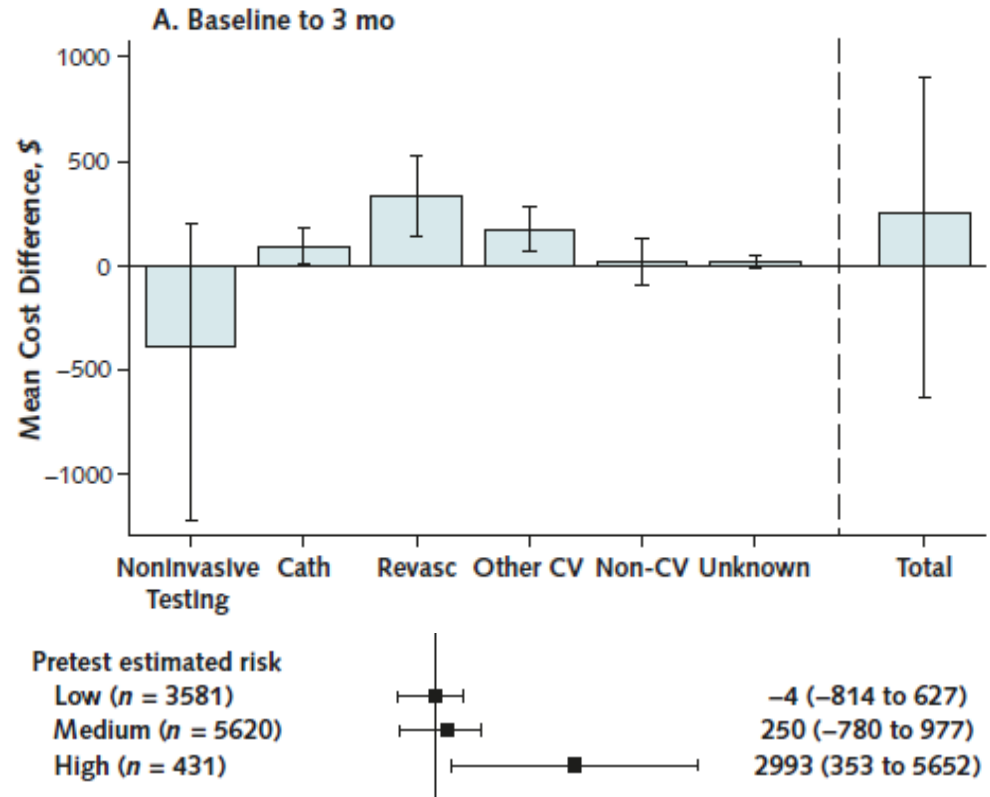
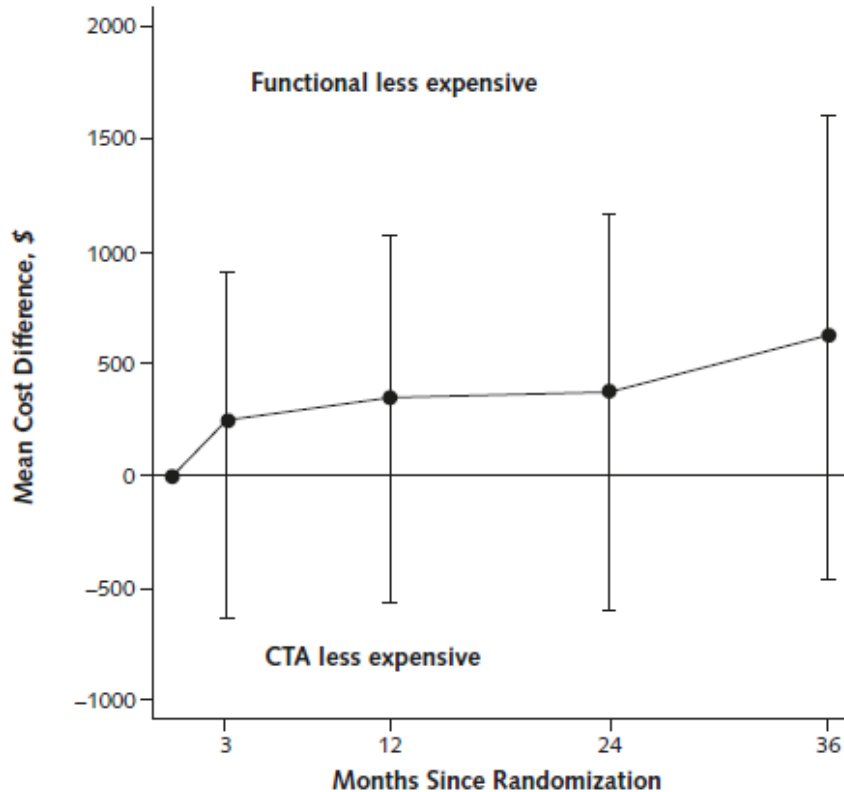
Algorithm (Str): GE 530c Tc-99m ROI NetRet Leppo

Algorithm (Rst): GE 530c Tc-99m ROI NetRet Leppo



- LV
- RV
- Global
- LAD
- LCX
- RCA

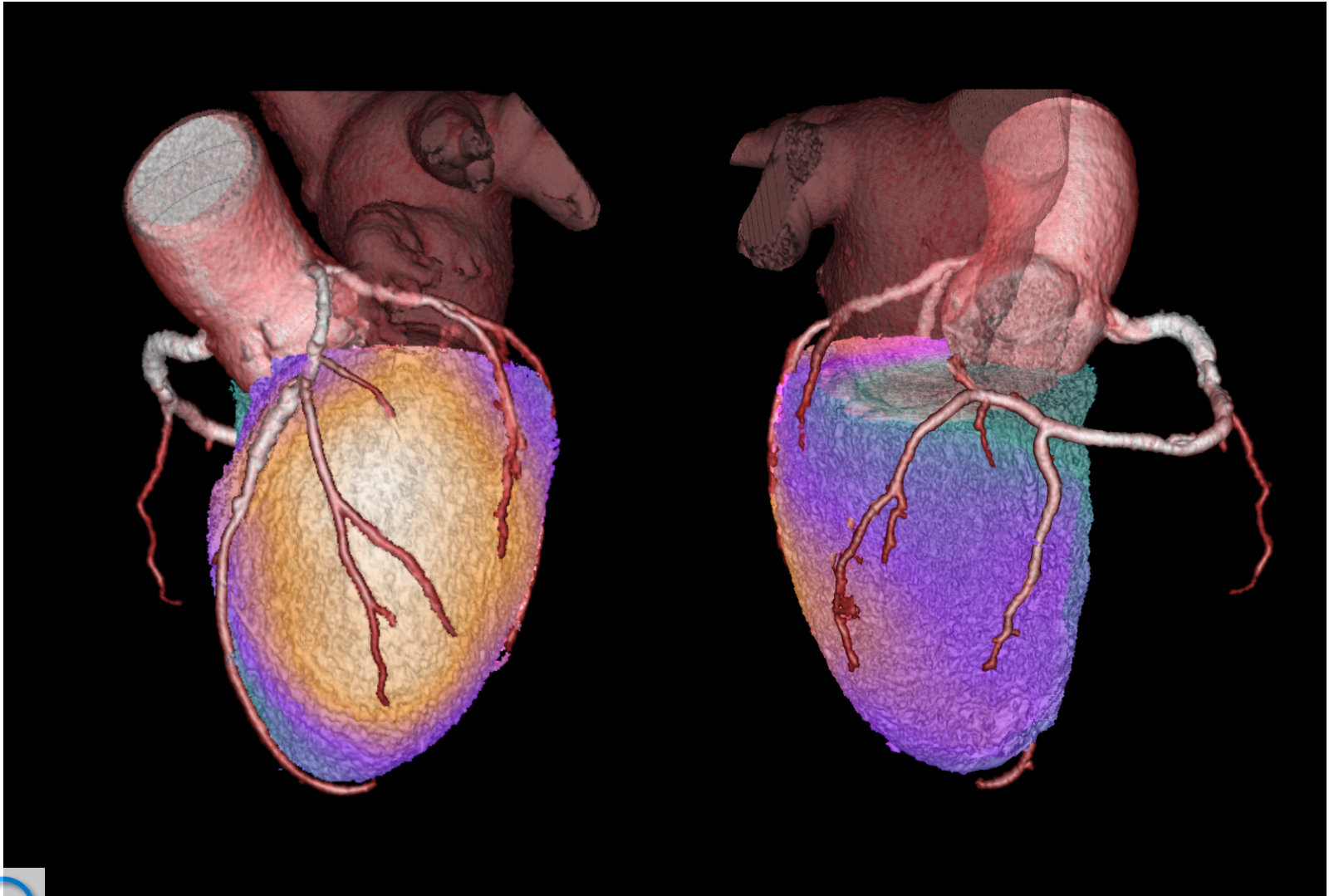
PROMISE: cost-effectiveness analysis



No significant difference in costs between functional and anatomical testing, however, trend in favour of functional testing driven less revasc in the first 3 months after testing and lower costs in the high PTP group.



Fusion CCTA-SPECT Imaging (Exercise Stress SPECT)



Thank you

