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Malattie del miocardio e del pericardio

Cardiompatia da stress (Tako-Tsubo): tra mito e realtà

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History

- 1980** Cebelin & Hirsch introduced the term “stress cardiomyopathy”. They found on autopsy *contraction-band necrosis* in victim of homicidal assault without sustaining internal injuries.
- 1986** A case report of the Massachusetts General Hospital described a patient who developed heart failure as a result of severe emotional stress (NEJM 1986)
- 1989** Iga et al. reported a case of pheochromocytoma with reversible left ventricular (LV) dysfunction and concluded that high catecholamine concentrations can directly damage the myocardium.
- 1990** Sato et al. First described this reversible condition as “takotsubo-like LV dysfunction”.
- 1997** Pavin et al. revived the term “*stress cardiomyopathy*”. Emotional stress might cause LV dysfunction in the absence of myocardial ischemia.
- 1998** Brandspiegel HZ et al. A broken heart. *Circulation* 1998 98:1349

Why Not Just Call It Tako-Tsubo Cardiomyopathy

A Discussion of Nomenclature

75 individual descriptive names !!

Tako-tsubo

Takotsubo cardiomyopathy
Takotsubo-like cardiomyopathy
Takotsubo syndrome
Takotsubo disease
Takotsubo left ventricular dysfunction
Takotsubo-like left ventricular dysfunction
Takotsubo-like transient biventricular dysfunction
Takotsubo-like transient left ventricular ballooning
Takotsubo-shaped cardiomyopathy
Takotsubo-shaped hypokinesia of left ventricle
Takotsubo-type cardiomyopathy
Takotsubo transient left ventricular apical ballooning
Mid-ventricular takotsubo cardiomyopathy
Mid-ventricular form of takotsubo cardiomyopathy
Inverted takotsubo contractile pattern
Inverted takotsubo cardiomyopathy
Inverted takotsubo pattern
Atypical takotsubo cardiomyopathy
Reverse takotsubo syndrome
Atypical basal type takotsubo cardiomyopathy

Stress cardiomyopathy

Acute stress cardiomyopathy
Human stress cardiomyopathy
Acute & reversible cardiomyopathy provoked by stress
Stress-induced cardiomyopathy
Stress-induced takotsubo cardiomyopathy
Stress-induced apical ballooning syndrome
Stress-related left ventricular dysfunction
Stress-related cardiomyopathy
Stress-related cardiomyopathy syndrome
Stress takotsubo cardiomyopathy
Emotional stress-induced ampulla cardiomyopathy
Mid-ventricular stress cardiomyopathy
Atypical transient stress-induced cardiomyopathy
Stress-induced myocardial stunning
Emotional stress-induced tako-tsubo cardiomyopathy
Stress-associated catecholamine induced cardiomyopathy
Neurogenic stress syndrome
Other
Neurogenic stunned myocardium
Adrenergic cardiomyopathy
Broken heart syndrome
Ampulla cardiomyopathy
Ampulla-shaped cardiomyopathy
“Chestnut-shaped” transient regional left ventricular hypokinesia
Ball-shaped spherical dilation of left ventricular apex
The artichoke heart
Transient mid-ventricular akinesia
Transient antero-apical dyskinesia

Apical ballooning
Apical ballooning syndrome
Acute left ventricular apical ballooning syndrome
Left ventricular apical ballooning syndrome
Transient left ventricular apical ballooning syndrome
Primary apical ballooning
Transient apical ballooning
Transient apical ballooning syndrome
Transient cardiac apical ballooning syndrome
Transient left apical ballooning syndrome
Transient cardiac ballooning
Left apical ballooning syndrome
Acute apical ballooning syndrome
Cardiac apical ballooning syndrome
Apical ballooning
Apical ballooning without apical ballooning
Apical ballooning cardiomyopathy
Reversible apical ballooning of left ventricle
Left ventricular ballooning syndrome
Mid-ventricular variant of transient apical ballooning
Mid-ventricular ballooning syndrome
Transient left ventricular mid-portion ballooning
Transient mid-ventricular ballooning
Transient mid-ventricular ballooning cardiomyopathy
Transient left ventricular non-apical ballooning
Reverse or inverted left ventricular apical ballooning syndrome
Inverted left ventricular apical ballooning syndrome
Transient basal ballooning

.....as of October 12, 2012, there are 1,450 entries in PubMed
retrievable using the inquiry term “Takotsubo syndrome”

Sharkey SW et al. JACC 2011

CUORI SPEZZATI

Quando lo stress, le emozioni e i dispiaceri fanno male come un infarto

La conferma arriva dalla medicina: i sentimenti possono davvero deformare il muscolo cardiaco. È la sindrome tako-tsubo, è come un'ischemia e spesso fa finire al pronto soccorso. I sintomi sono gli stessi di un arteria ostruita. Quasi sempre tutto passa senza farmaci

Tako-Tsubo, il «crepacuore» delle donne

Luciana Mauro

Potremmo chiamarla «sindrome da crepacuore», ma i giapponesi che per prima l'hanno scoperta la definiscono «Sindrome Tako-Tsubo». Recenti studi condotti dal dottor Rodolfo Citro, esperto di imaging cardiaco e di ecocardiografia come dirigente medico presso il Dipartimento Torre Cuore dell'Azienda Ospedaliera Universitaria Ruggi d'Aragona, spiegano che la "cardiomiopatia da stress" colpisce il 90% delle donne ed è preceduta da emozioni forti (perdita di un caro o finan-

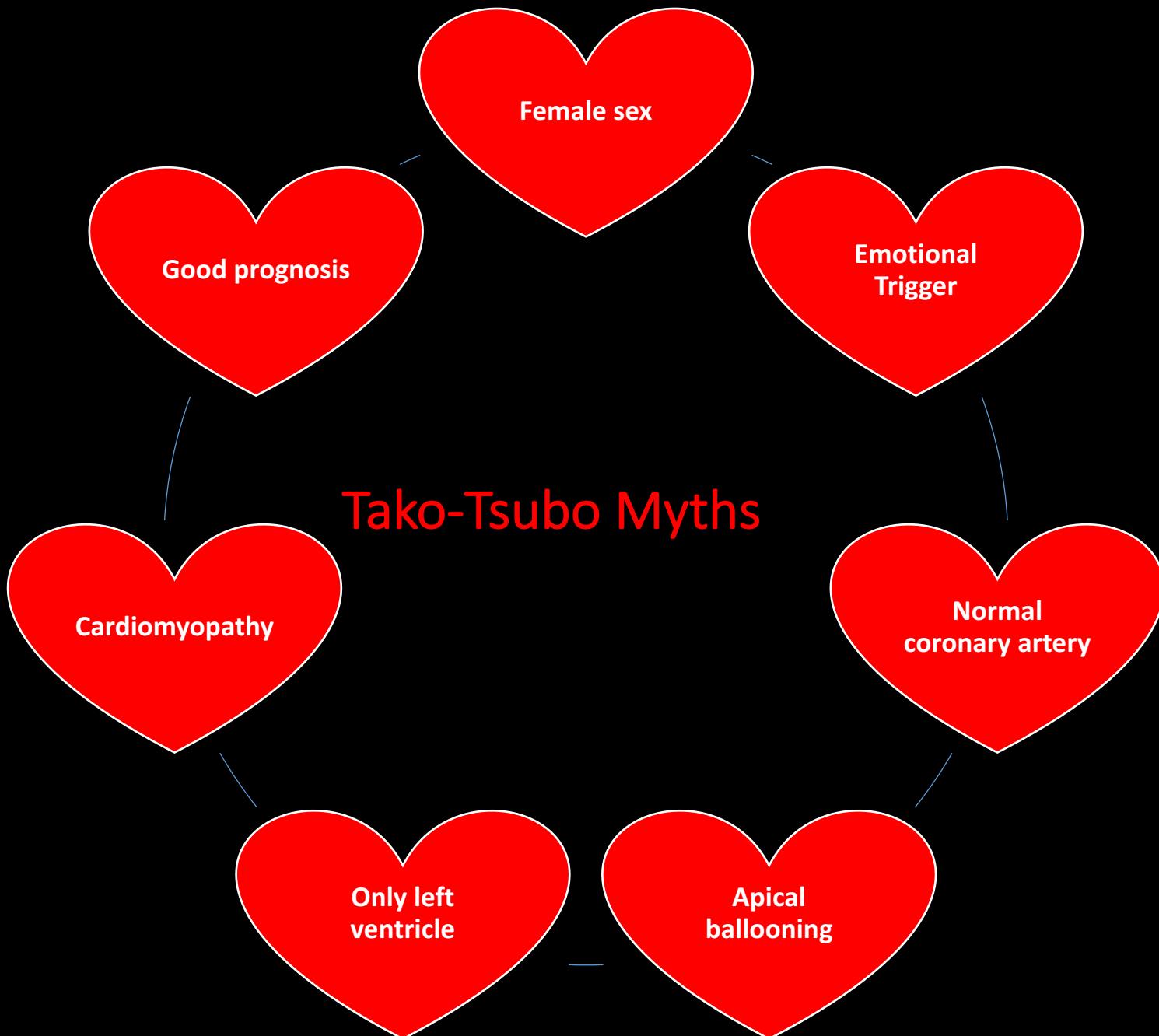


La Torre del cuore del Ruggi
Da qui gli studi sulla «Tako-Tsubo»

ziaria, paure, litigi, stati d'ansia, notizie di tradimenti etc), oppure da stress fisici, nella maggior parte dei casi di tipo medico. Gli studi di Citro, condotti con le Università di Pavia e di Ferrara e presentati al congresso dell'American Heart Association, rilevano che la sindrome Tako-Tsubo è prevalente nei mesi estivi, al contrario dell'infarto miocardico, invece prevalente d'inverno. «La patologia è subdola - spiega lo specialista - perché si presenta come un infarto ma non lo è, anche se mette a dura prova la sopravvivenza del paziente».

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Tako-Tsubo Myths



Female sex (post-menopausal)

Demographic, clinical and echocardiographic features in patients with TTS with and without RVi.

| Variables | Overall population (n = 424) |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Medical history | |
| Age, yrs | 69.1 ± 11.5 |
| Male sex, n (%) | 33 (7.8) |
| Hypertension, n (%) | 257 (60.6) |
| Diabetes, n (%) | 47 (11.1) |
| Hypercholesterolemia, n (%) | 152 (35.8) |
| Smoking, n (%) | 92 (19.3) |
| Menopause, n (%) | 365 (93.4) |
| History of CAD, n (%) | 73 (17.2) |
| COPD, n (%) | 56 (13.2) |
| Cancer, n (%) | 43 (10.1) |
| Psychiatric disorders, n (%) | 70 (16.5) |
| Overall comorbidities, n (%) | 0.96 ± 1.13 |
| CCI | 3.7 ± 1.9 |

Table 1. Clinical and Demographic Characteristics of the Study Population

| | Overall Population (n = 227) | Patients With Major Complications (n = 59) | Patients Without Major Complications (n = 168) | p Value |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|---|---------|
| Age, yrs | 66.2 ± 12.2 | 67.5 ± 14.5 | 65.8 ± 11.4 | 0.372 |
| Age ≥ 75 yrs | 65 (28.6) | 25 (42.4) | 40 (23.8) | 0.011 |
| Female | 205 (90.3) | 54 (91.5) | 151 (89.9) | 0.804 |
| Body surface area, m ² | 1.6 ± 0.1 | 1.6 ± 0.1 | 1.6 ± 0.1 | 0.054 |
| Medical history | | | | |
| Hypertension | 137 (60.4) | 33 (55.9) | 104 (61.9) | 0.442 |
| Hypercholesterolemia | 88 (38.8) | 20 (33.9) | 68 (40.5) | 0.438 |
| Diabetes mellitus | 25 (11.0) | 10 (16.9) | 15 (8.9) | 0.096 |
| Smoking | 47 (20.7) | 15 (25.4) | 32 (19.0) | 0.351 |
| Menopause | 180 (87.8) | 46 (85.1) | 134 (88.7) | 0.477 |

Citro et al. Int. Journal of Cardiol. 2016

Citro et al. JACC Imaging. 2014

Male vs Female

| Variables | Male | Female | P value |
|-------------------------|-------------|--------------|---------|
| Age, yy | 68.0 ± 15.6 | 69.2 ± 11.04 | 0.496 |
| Apical form, n | 89% | 91% | 0.678 |
| Identifiable Trigger | 75% | 77% | 0.716 |
| Emotional Trigger | 36% | 55% | 0.016 |
| Major Cardiac Events | 21% | 20% | 0.934 |
| LVEF | 37.08 ± 6.9 | 36.55 ± 7.1 | 0.659 |
| Overall complications | 21% | 22% | 0.544 |
| Hypertension | 50% | 62% | 0.132 |
| Diabetes | 9% | 11% | 0.734 |
| Hypercholesterolemia | 27% | 38% | 0.147 |
| Coronary artery disease | 16% | 18% | 0.758 |

Unpublished data

Emotional trigger

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| Body surface area, m ² | 1.6 ± 0.1 | 1.6 ± 0.1 | 1.6 ± 0.1 | 0.054 |
| Other symptoms | 10 (4.4) | 6 (10.2) | 4 (2.4) | 0.021 |
| Systolic blood pressure, mm Hg | 131.1 ± 25.6 | 129.6 ± 32.6 | 131.6 ± 23.1 | 0.606 |
| Diastolic blood pressure, mm Hg | 77.4 ± 12.8 | 76.7 ± 14.1 | 77.7 ± 12.4 | 0.619 |
| Heart rate, beats/min | 84.8 ± 16.1 | 88.8 ± 20.5 | 83.4 ± 14.1 | 0.031 |
| Presence of identifiable trigger events | 187 (82.4) | 48 (81.4) | 139 (82.7) | 0.843 |
| Emotional trigger | 133 (58.6) | 31 (52.5) | 102 (60.7) | 0.286 |
| Physical trigger | 54 (23.8) | 17 (28.8) | 37 (22.0) | 0.190 |

Citro et al. JACC Imaging. 2014

An identifiable trigger events was detected in 72 to 82% of patients with TTS
An emotional trigger is identified in 53 to 58 % of cases

Table 1. Demographic and Clinical Characteristics of the Study Population

| Characteristic | Overall Population (N = 190) | Age | | | P-Value* |
|---|---------------------------------|----------------|--------------|-----------|----------|
| | <65 (n = 78) | 65-74 (n = 61) | ≥75 (n = 51) | | |
| Trigger events, n (%) | 137 (72.1) | 63 (80.8) | 39 (63.9) | 35 (68.6) | .07 |
| Demographic, clinical and echocardiographic features in patients with TTS with and without trigger events | | | | | |
| Variables | Overall population (n = 424) | | | | |
| Presenting features | | | | | |
| SBP, mmHg | 125.2 ± 23.8 | | | | |
| DBP, mmHg | 74.5 ± 13.4 | | | | |
| Heart rate, bpm | 86.0 ± 18.3 | | | | |
| Chest pain, n (%) | 304 (71.7) | | | | |
| Dyspnea, n (%) | 42 (9.9) | | | | |
| Chest pain and dyspnea, n (%) | 32 (7.5) | | | | |
| Emotional trigger event | 228 (53.8) | | | | |
| Physical trigger event, n (%) | 102 (24.1) | | | | |
| Length of hospitalization, days | 6.8 ± 4.3 | | | | |

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REVIEW

Current state of knowledge on Takotsubo syndrome: a Position Statement from the Taskforce on Takotsubo Syndrome of the Heart Failure Association of the European Society of Cardiology

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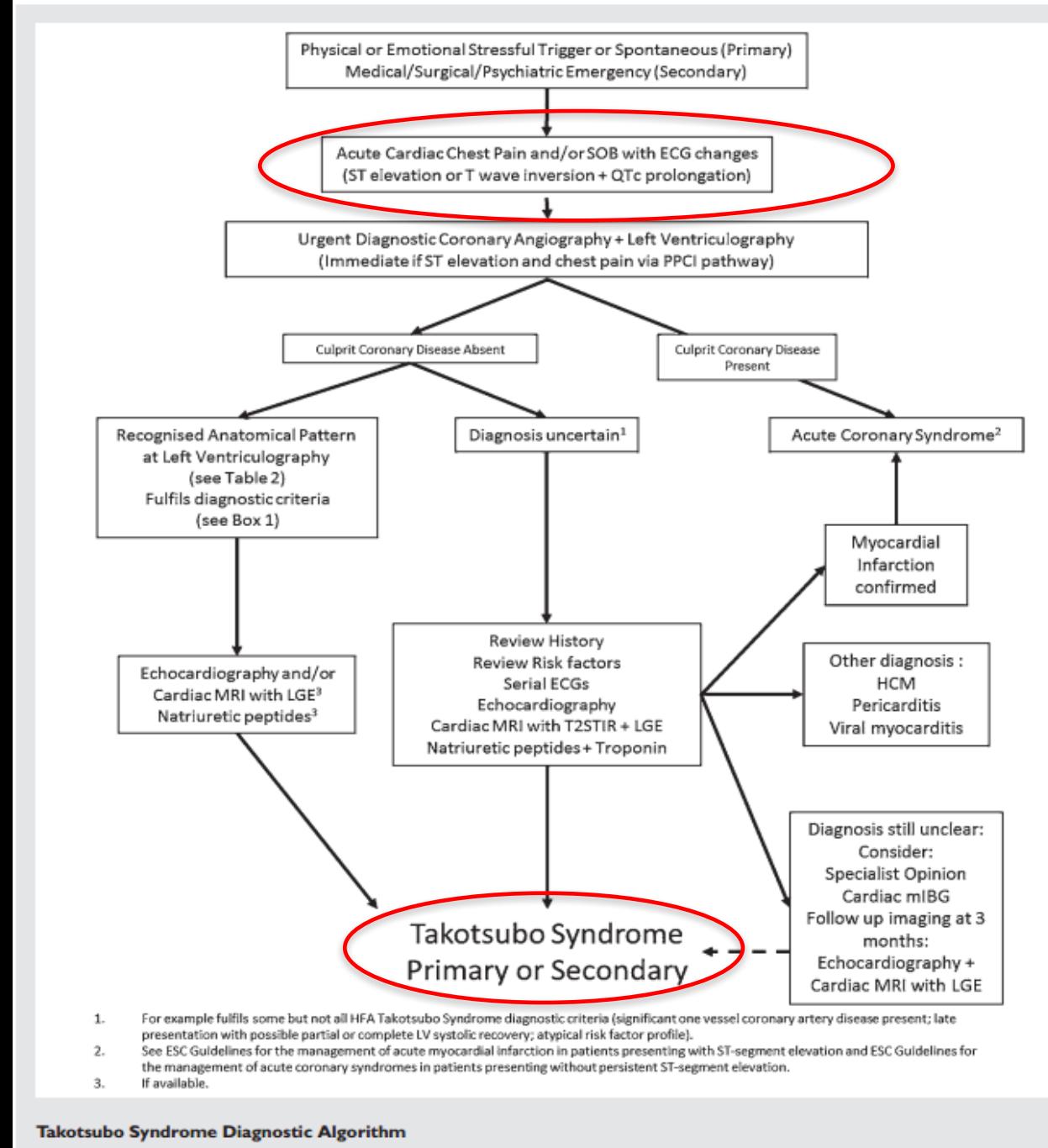


Table 1 Triggers for secondary Takotsubo syndrome

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| Endocrine |
| e.g. Phaeochromocytoma, thyrotoxicosis (endogenous and iatrogenic), SIADH, Addisonian crisis, multiple endocrine neoplasia 2A syndrome, hyperglycaemic hyperosmolar state, hyponatraemia, severe hypothyroidism, Addison's disease, adrenocorticotropin hormone deficiency, autoimmune polyendocrine syndrome II |
| Neurological and neurosurgical |
| Acute neurosurgical emergencies (e.g. subarachnoid haemorrhage, acute head injury, acute spinal injury) |
| Acute neuromuscular crises, especially if involving acute ventilatory failure (e.g. acute myasthenia gravis, acute Guillain–Barré syndrome) |
| Epileptic seizures, limbic encephalitis, ischaemic stroke, posterior reversible encephalopathy syndrome |
| Respiratory |
| Acute exacerbation of asthma or COPD (especially with excessive use of inhaled beta2-agonists) |
| Acute pulmonary embolism |
| Acute pneumothorax |
| Obstetric, e.g. miscarriage, labour, emergency Caesarean section |
| Psychiatric |
| Acute anxiety attack/panic disorder |
| Attempted suicide |
| Drug-withdrawal syndromes |
| Electroconvulsive therapy |
| Gastrointestinal, e.g. acute cholecystitis, biliary colic, acute pancreatitis, severe vomiting, severe diarrhoea, pseudomembranous colitis, peritonitis |
| Infection |
| Severe sepsis |
| Babesiosis |
| Cardiological |
| Dobutamine stress echocardiography |
| Radiofrequency arrhythmia ablation |
| Pacemaker implantation |
| Electrical DC cardioversion for atrial fibrillation |
| Post-cardiac arrest including ventricular fibrillation |
| Haematological |
| Blood transfusions |
| Thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura |
| Surgical |
| Many cases have been reported during induction of general anaesthesia or during non-cardiac surgery or interventional procedures under local or general anaesthesia (e.g. cholecystectomy, hysterectomy, rhinoplasty, Caesarean section, radiofrequency liver ablation, radiotherapy, colonoscopy, difficult urinary catheterization, carotid endarterectomy) |
| Medication and illicit drugs |
| Epinephrine injection |
| Nortriptyline overdose, venlafaxine overdose, albuterol, flecanide, metoprolol withdrawal, 5-fluorouracil, duloxetine |
| Cocaine abuse |

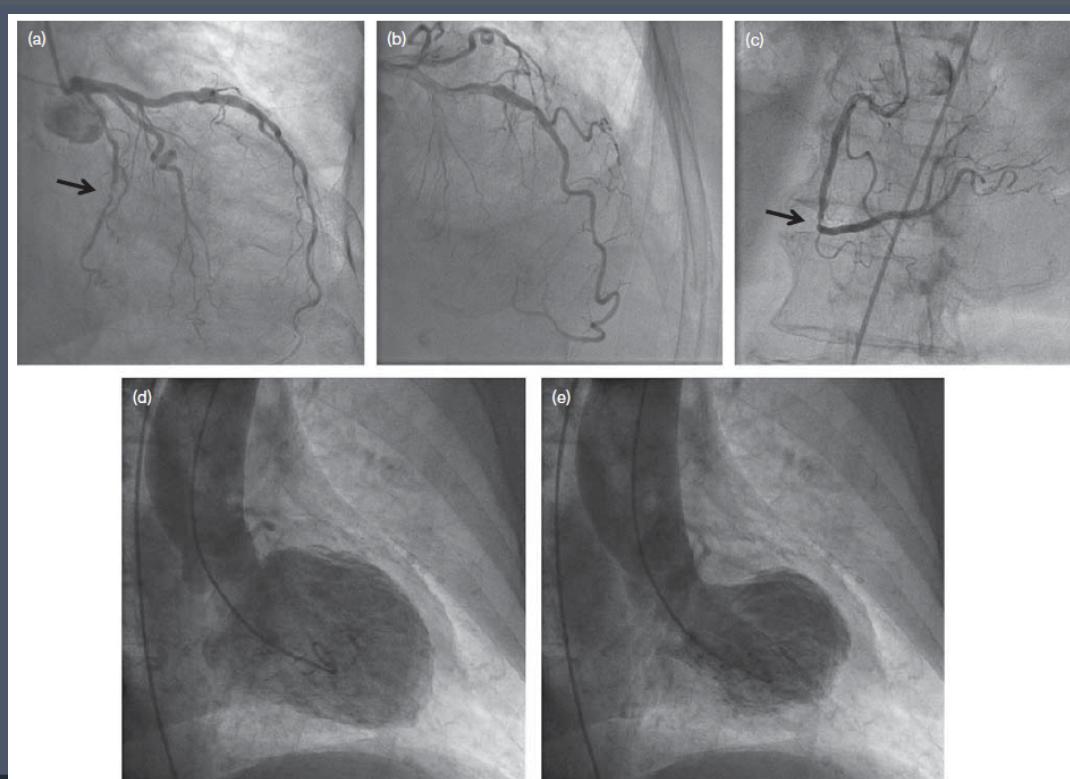
Box 1 Heart Failure Association diagnostic criteria for Takotsubo syndrome

1. Transient regional wall motion abnormalities of LV or RV myocardium which are frequently, but not always, preceded by a stressful trigger (emotional or physical).
2. The regional wall motion abnormalities usually^a extend beyond a single epicardial vascular distribution, and often result in circumferential dysfunction of the ventricular segments involved.
3. The absence of culprit atherosclerotic coronary artery disease including acute plaque rupture, thrombus formation, and coronary dissection or other pathological conditions to explain the pattern of temporary LV dysfunction observed (e.g. hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, viral myocarditis).
4. New and reversible electrocardiography (ECG) abnormalities (ST-segment elevation, ST depression, LBBB^b, T-wave inversion, and/or QTc prolongation) during the acute phase (3 months).
5. Significantly elevated serum natriuretic peptide (BNP or NT-proBNP) during the acute phase.
6. Positive but relatively small elevation in cardiac troponin measured with a conventional assay (i.e. disparity between the troponin level and the amount of dysfunctional myocardium present).^c
7. Recovery of ventricular systolic function on cardiac imaging at follow-up (3–6 months).^d

Normal coronary artery

Tako-tsubo cardiomyopathy and coronary artery disease: a possible association

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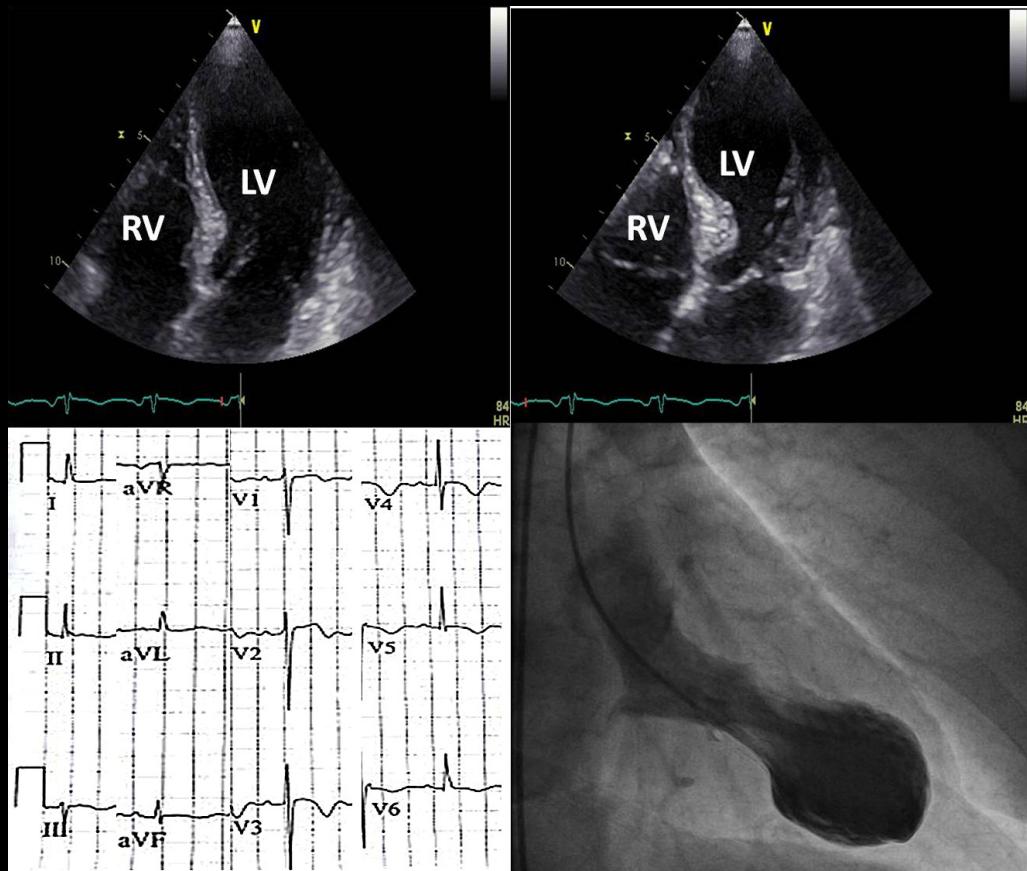
Coexistent significant coronary artery narrowing in about 10% of pts.
Non culprit lesion!

Apical ballooning

STATE-OF-THE-ART REVIEW ARTICLE

Standard and Advanced Echocardiography in Takotsubo (Stress) Cardiomyopathy: Clinical and Prognostic Implications

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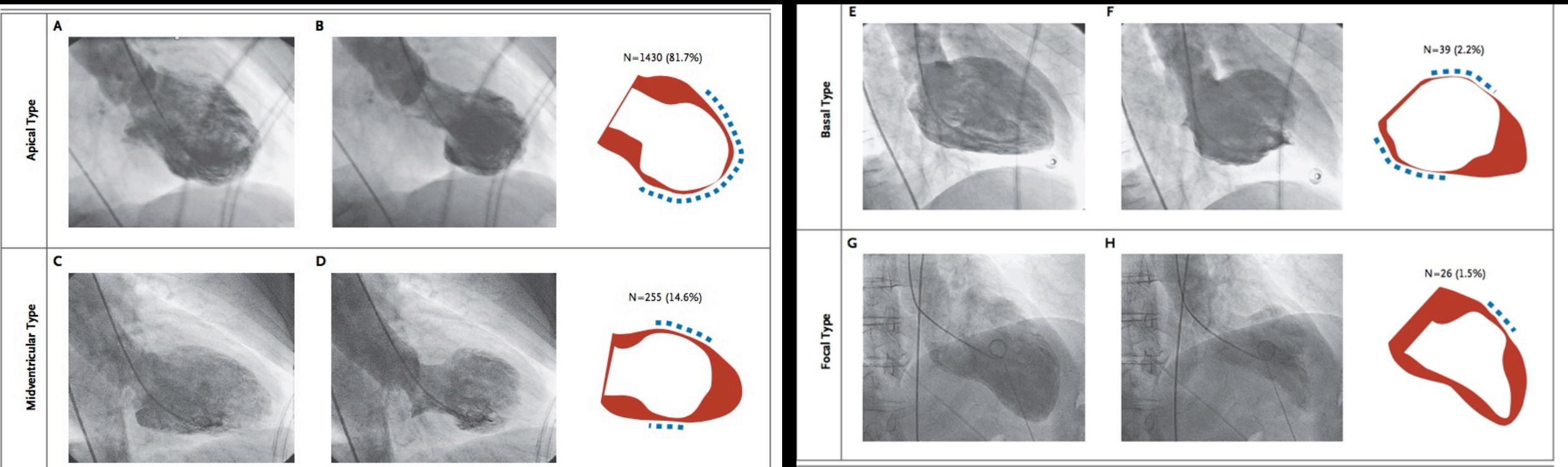
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Table 3 Role of standard echocardiography in TTC

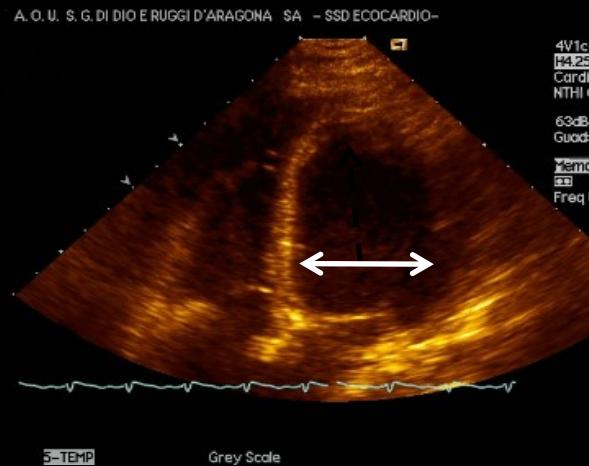
| Diagnostic findings |
|-------------------------------------|
| LV morphology |
| Apical ballooning |
| Midventricular |
| Inverted forms |
| Apical sparing |
| Basal "reverse" |
| LV WMA |
| Circumferential pattern |
| Coronary flow in distal LAD |
| RV involvement |
| Biventricular ballooning |
| Possible complications |
| LVOTO |
| Moderate to severe MR |
| Intraventricular thrombus detection |
| Cardiac rupture |

TTS: LV Phenotype

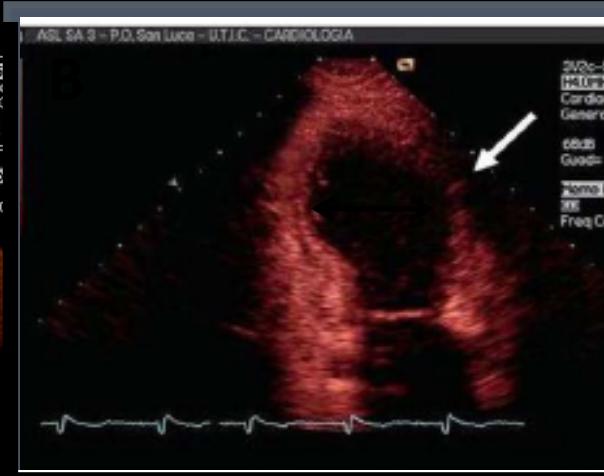


TTS: LV Phenotype

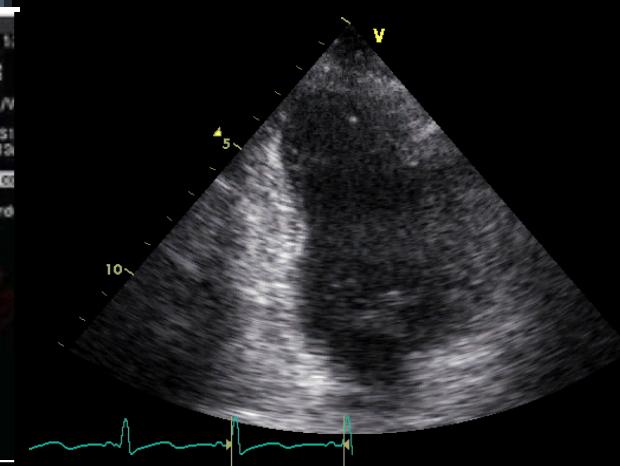
APICAL SPARING



MIDVENTRICULAR
BALLOONING



BASAL
BALLOONING



Right ventricular involvement in TTS

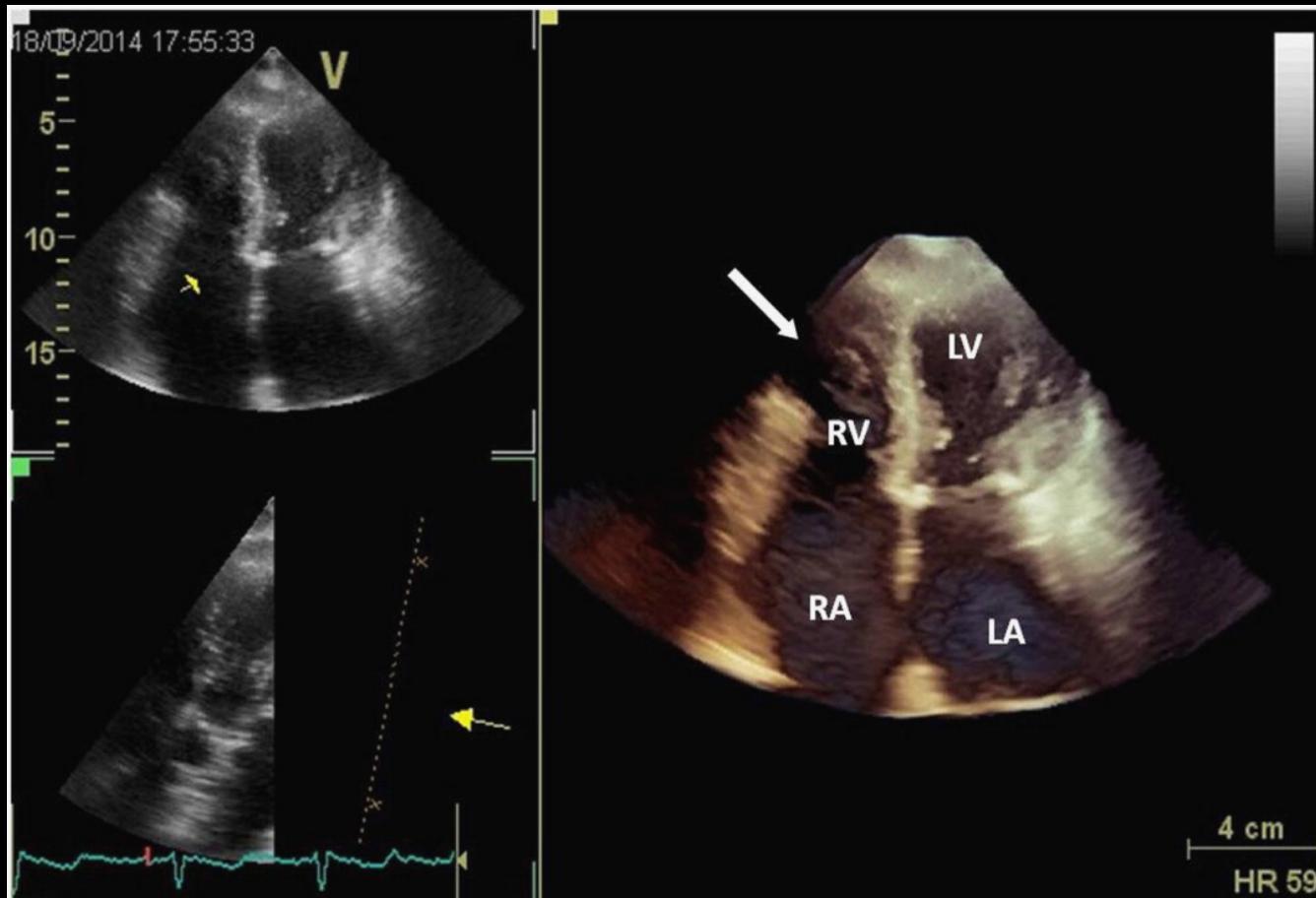
Clinical profile and in-hospital outcome of Caucasian patients with takotsubo syndrome and right ventricular involvement

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424 pts (mean age 69.1 ± 11.5 yrs; female 92.2%) with diagnosis of TTS : 57 patients (13.4%) with RV involvement

RVi was identified by the detection of severe akinesia or dyskinesia, localized exclusively at the apical and/or mid RV segments (biventricular ballooning), with sparing of the basal segments ("reverse McConnell's sign")

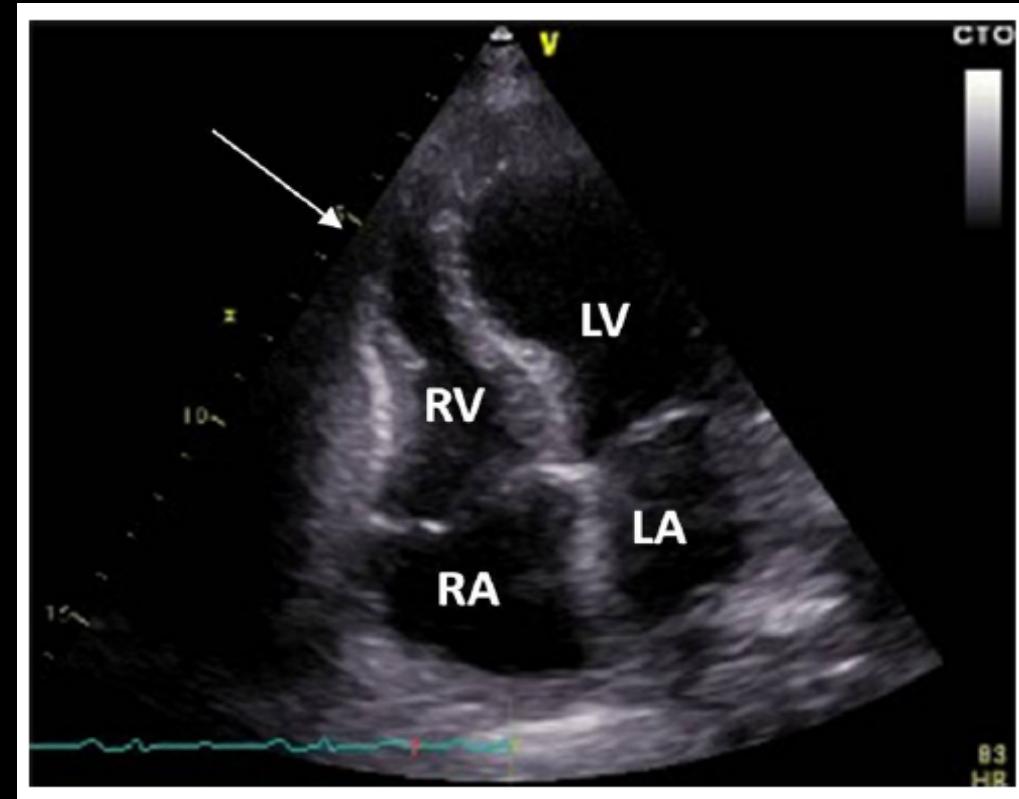


Only left ventricle

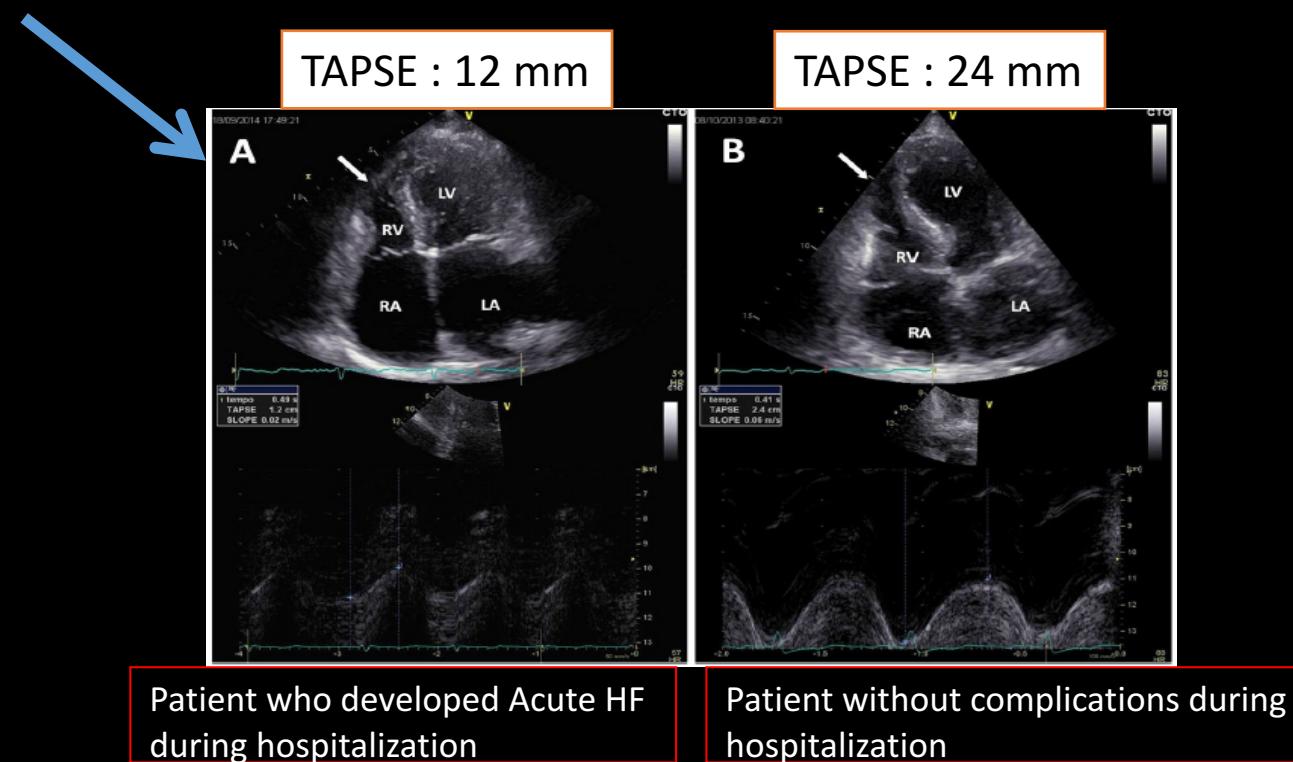
Independent Impact of RV Involvement on In-Hospital Outcome of Patients With Takotsubo Syndrome

TABLE 1 Clinical features and In-Hospital Outcomes of Patients With Apical TTS With and Without RVi

| | Patients With RVi (n = 56; 16.5%) | Patients Without RVi (n = 283; 83.5%) | p Value |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|---------|
| Age, yrs | 67.7 ± 13.6 | 70.1 ± 10.6 | 0.145 |
| Male | 4 (7.1) | 24 (8.5) | 0.740 |
| Systolic blood pressure, mm Hg | 123.7 ± 20.4 | 125.2 ± 23.6 | 0.661 |
| Heart rate, beats/min | 89.1 ± 17.6 | 85.6 ± 18.8 | 0.203 |
| Chest pain at presentation | 42 (75.0) | 227 (80.2) | 0.371 |
| Dyspnea at presentation | 23 (41.1) | 38 (13.4) | <0.001 |
| COPD | 14 (25.0) | 34 (12.0) | 0.019 |
| Charlson comorbidity index | 4.3 ± 1.9 | 3.8 ± 1.9 | 0.050 |
| ST-segment elevation | 29 (51.8) | 192 (67.8) | 0.031 |
| Troponin I, ng/ml | 1.5 ± 1.6 | 4.9 ± 9.9 | 0.013 |
| Brain natriuretic peptide, pg/ml | 1,080.3 ± 775.2 | 824.4 ± 441.8 | <0.001 |
| GFR, ml/min | 66.8 ± 24.9 | 69.2 ± 23.6 | 0.627 |
| Left ventricular ejection fraction, % | 35.2 ± 7.0 | 36.2 ± 7.4 | 0.329 |
| Wall motion score index | 1.96 ± 0.28 | 1.84 ± 0.24 | 0.002 |
| E/e' ratio | 11.7 ± 3.3 | 10.9 ± 2.6 | 0.064 |
| Right ventricular fractional area change, % | 32.3 ± 5.9 | 40.0 ± 11.0 | <0.001 |
| Systolic pulmonary artery pressure, mm Hg | 43.9 ± 15.0 | 40.0 ± 5.8 | 0.001 |
| TAPSE, mm | 18.7 ± 4.0 | 20.0 ± 4.1 | 0.084 |
| Moderate to severe mitral regurgitation | 20 (35.7) | 47 (16.6) | 0.013 |
| Left ventricular outflow tract obstruction | 7 (12.5) | 17 (6.0) | 0.091 |
| In-hospital major adverse events | | | |
| Acute heart failure | 20 (35.7) | 37 (13.1) | <0.001 |
| Cardiogenic shock | 3 (5.4) | 20 (7.1) | 0.779 |
| Death | 2 (3.6) | 4 (1.4) | 0.259 |



Right ventricular involvement in TTS



Hazard ratio (95% CI) for acute heart failure, cardiogenic shock, and in-hospital mortality at univariate and multivariate analysis in TTS patients with RVI.

| Variables | Univariate analysis | | Multivariate analysis | |
|------------|---------------------|---------|-----------------------|---------|
| | HR (95% CI) | p-value | HR (95% CI) | p-value |
| Heart rate | 1.038 (1.003–1.074) | 0.031 | | |
| CCI | 1.472 (1.078–2.008) | 0.015 | 1.871 (1.202–2.912) | 0.006 |
| WMSI | 0.393 (0.250–1.108) | 0.002 | | |
| E/e' ratio | 1.315 (1.079–1.601) | 0.007 | | |
| sPAP | 1.067 (1.023–1.114) | 0.003 | 1.059 (1.016–1.104) | 0.007 |
| TAPSE | 0.836 (0.718–0.974) | 0.021 | 0.728 (0.619–0.855) | < 0.001 |

Is a Cardiomyopathy?

.....more syndrome than cardiomyopathy.....

....sindrome perché non è identificabile una forma paradigmatica ma piuttosto un fenotipo clinico comune nel quale probabilmente convergono molteplici processi fisiopatologici.

Vi sono altresì diversi motivi che non giustificherebbero l'adozione del termine cardiomiopia:

- 1) la restitutio ad integrum del miocardio disfunzionante nella fase acuta con il conseguente recupero completo della funzione contrattile a distanza
- 2) le evidenze fisiopatologiche che sono più a favore di una disfunzione del microcircolo coronarico, attraverso vari meccanismi aventi in comune un aumento di attività delle catecolamine, che a favore di una malattia primitiva del muscolo cardiaco, in genere associata a disordini primitivi del miocardio di origine genetica o sconosciuta

Good prognosis

Differences in Clinical Features and In-Hospital Outcomes of Older Adults with Tako-Tsubo Cardiomyopathy

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Table 3. In-Hospital Complications and Mortality

| Complication | Overall Population (N = 178) | <65 (n = 76) | 65–74 (n = 54) | ≥ 75 (n = 48) | P-Value* |
|--|---------------------------------|------------------------|----------------|---------------|----------|
| Atrial fibrillation, n (%) | 8 (4.5) | 2 (2.6) | 2 (3.7) | 4 (8.3) | .31 |
| Left ventricular apical thrombosis, n (%) | 4 (2.2) | 1 (1.3) | 1 (1.9) | 2 (4.2) | .57 |
| Supraventricular tachycardia, n (%) | 3 (1.7) | 1 (1.3) | 1 (1.9) | 1 (2.1) | .94 |
| Bradyarrhythmia, n (%) | 2 (1.1) | 2 (2.6) | 0 (0.0) | 0 (0.0) | .26 |
| Stroke, n (%) | 1 (0.6) | 0 (0.0) | 1 (1.9) | 0 (0.0) | .32 |
| Respiratory arrest, n (%) | 1 (0.6) | 1 (1.3) | 0 (0.0) | 0 (0.0) | .51 |
| Acute heart failure, n (%) | 28 (15.7) | 7 (9.2) | 10 (18.5) | 11 (22.9) | .10 |
| Ventricular tachycardia or ventricular fibrillation, n (%) | 8 (4.5) | 1 (1.3) | 3 (5.6) | 4 (8.3) | .17 |
| Cardiogenic shock, n (%) | 11 (6.2) | 6 (7.9) | 1 (1.9) | 4 (8.3) | .29 |
| In-hospital mortality, n (%) | 5 (2.8) | 1 (1.3) | 1 (1.9) | 3 (6.3) | .24 |
| Composite adverse events, n (%) | 43 (24.2) | 13 (17.1) [†] | 12 (22.2) | 18 (37.5) | .03 |
| Overall complications, n (%) | 56 (31.5) | 17 (22.4) [†] | 15 (27.8) | 24 (50.0) | .004 |
| Length of hospital stay, days, mean ± SD | 7.9 ± 5.7 | 5.9 ± 3.2 | 8.6 ± 6.0 | 9.6 ± 7.2 | .10 |

* Difference between the three age groups according to analysis of variance.

[†] P < .05 versus ≥ 75 according to post hoc analysis.

Good prognosis

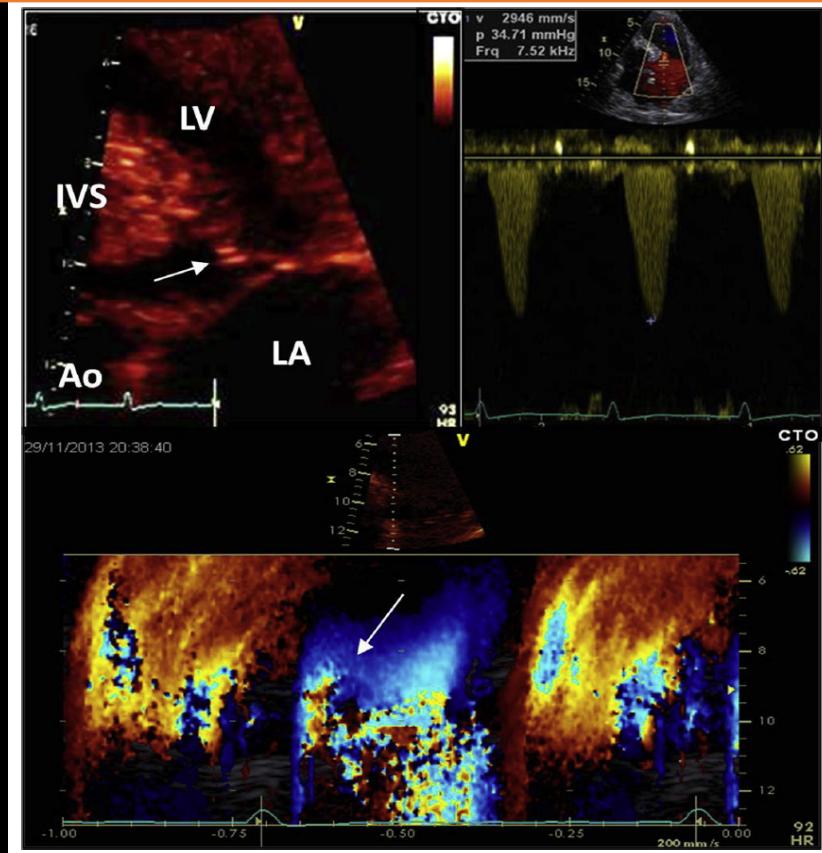
Differences in Clinical Features and In-Hospital Outcomes of Older Adults with Tako-Tsubo Cardiomyopathy

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Table 4. Univariate and Multivariate Predictors of In-Hospital Events

| Variable | Hazard Ratio (95% Confidence Interval) P-Value | |
|---|--|------------------------|
| | Univariate Analysis | Multivariate Analysis |
| Aged ≥ 75 | 2.72 (1.39–5.31) .003 | 2.45 (1.28–5.82) .04 |
| Presence of triggers | 1.22 (0.57–2.57) .60 | — |
| ST-segment elevation on admission | 1.33 (0.68–2.58) .39 | — |
| Peak troponin I, ng/mL | 1.00 (0.99–1.00) .68 | — |
| Glomerular filtration rate, mL/min* | 0.98 (0.96–0.99) .02 | — |
| Beta-blockers | 0.60 (0.31–1.15) .13 | — |
| Left ventricular ejection fraction on admission | 0.88 (0.82–0.94) <.001 | 0.87 (0.81–0.95) <.001 |

TTS: Left ventricular outflow tract obstruction

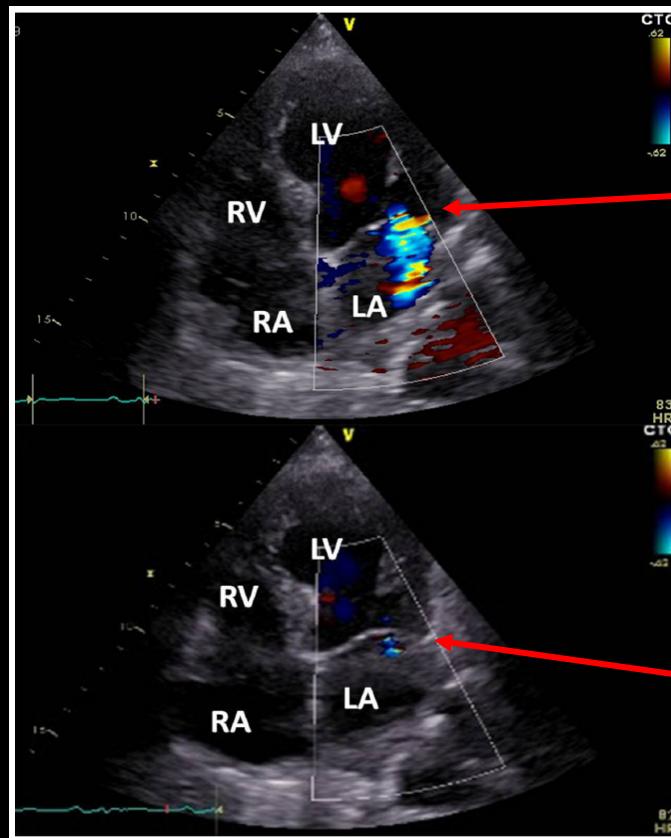
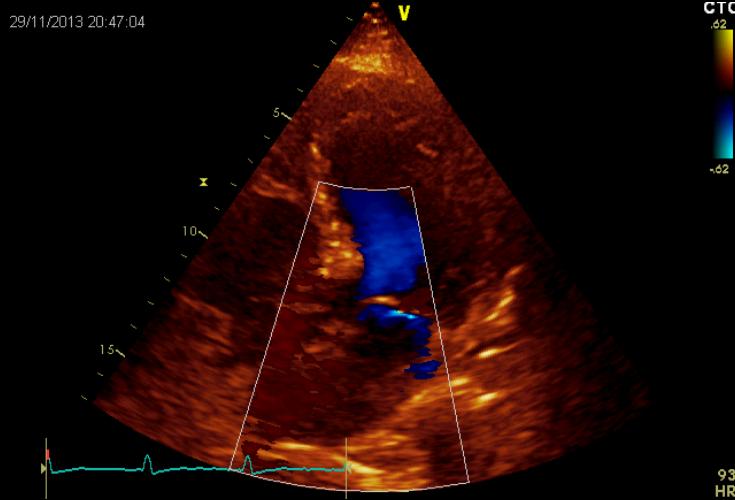


| Variables | Overall population (n = 227) | Patients with major complications (n=59) | Patients without major complications (n=168) | P value |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|---|---------|
| LV outflow tract obstruction | 29 (12.8) | 14 (23.7) | 15 (8.9) | 0.006 |

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TTS: Reversible moderate to severe mitral regurgitation



Acute phase

Recovery

| Variables | Overall population (n = 227) | Patients with major complications (n=59) | Patients without major complications (n=168) | P value |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|---|---|---------|
| Moderate to severe MR | 49 (21.5) | 29 (49.1) | 20 (11.9) | <0.001 |

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Echocardiographic Correlates of Acute Heart Failure, Cardiogenic Shock, and In-Hospital Mortality in Tako-Tsubo Cardiomyopathy

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Overall population 227 pts: Major adverse events in 59 pts

Table 5. Hazard ratio (95% CI) for the major adverse events (acute heart failure, cardiogenic shock, and in-hospital mortality) in univariate and multivariate models.

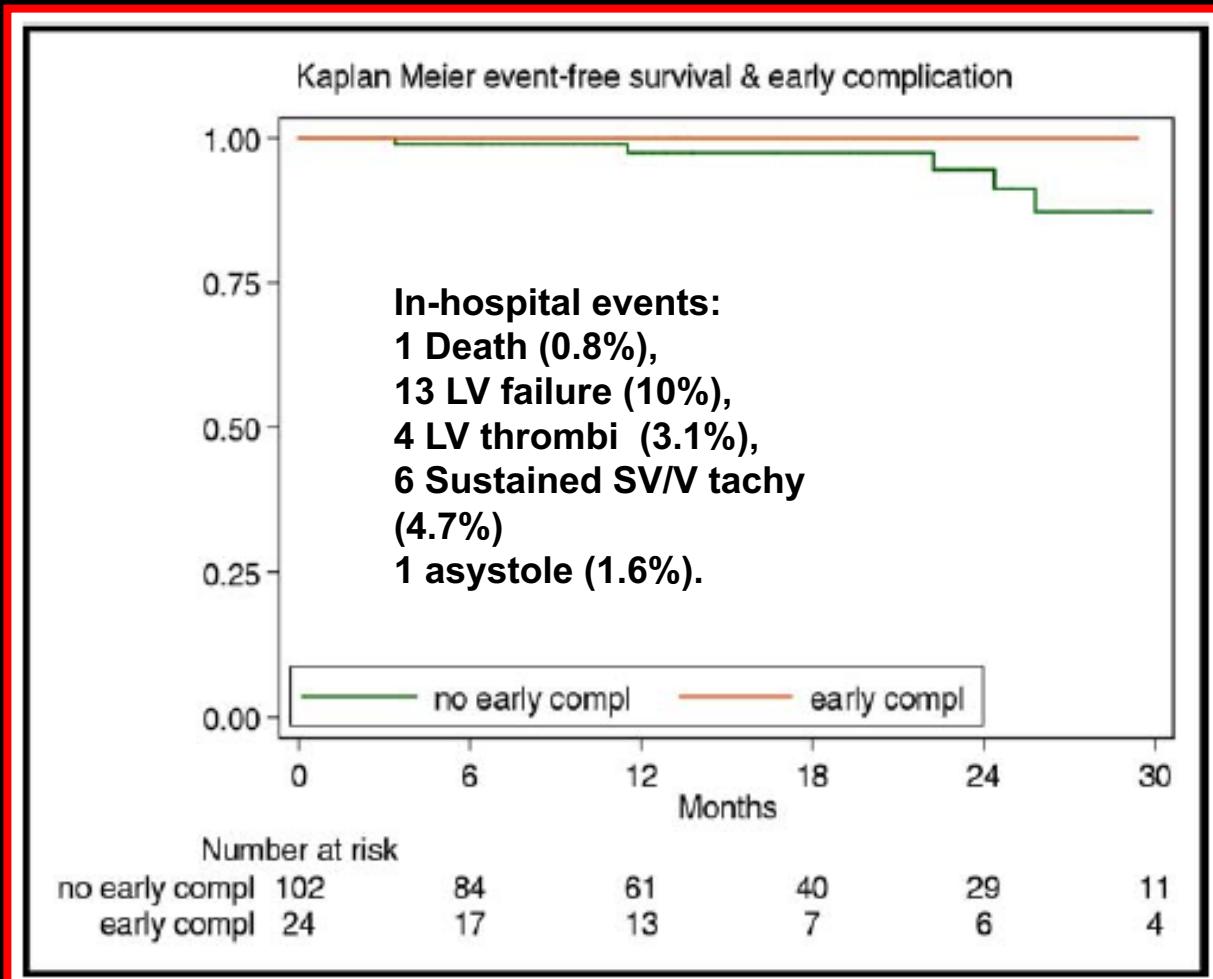
| Variables | Wald Chi-square | P-value | HR | 95% CI | Wald Chi-square | P-value | HR | 95% CI |
|-------------------------|-----------------|---------|-------|--------------|-----------------|---------|-------|-------------|
| Age ≥ 75 | 7.162 | 0.007 | 2.353 | 1.257-4.403 | 4.270 | 0.039 | 2.818 | 1.055-7.529 |
| Heart rate | 4.492 | 0.034 | 1.020 | 1.001-1.038 | | | | |
| Chest pain with dyspnea | 9.552 | 0.002 | 3.477 | 1.578-7.664 | | | | |
| BNP | 3.385 | 0.049 | 1.002 | 1.000-1.004 | | | | |
| LVEF | 15.398 | < 0.001 | 0.892 | 0.842-0.944 | 18.400 | < 0.001 | 0.923 | 0.890-0.958 |
| E/e ^r ratio | 23.345 | < 0.001 | 1.266 | 1.150-1.393 | 6.410 | 0.011 | 1.131 | 1.028-1.244 |
| sPAP | 23.549 | < 0.001 | 1.086 | 1.050-1.122 | | | | |
| Moderate to severe MR | 23.532 | < 0.001 | 5.916 | 2.885-12.133 | 5.049 | 0.025 | 3.254 | 1.163-9.109 |
| RV involvement | 11.957 | 0.001 | 3.845 | 1.792-8.250 | | | | |
| LVOT obstruction | 7.992 | 0.005 | 3.173 | 1.425-7.067 | | | | |

BNP: brain natriuretic peptide; LVEF: left ventricular ejection fraction; LVOT: left ventricular outflow tract; MR: mitral regurgitation; RV: right ventricular; sPAP: pulmonary artery systolic pressure.

Clinical Characteristics and Outcome of Left Ventricular Ballooning Syndrome in a European Population

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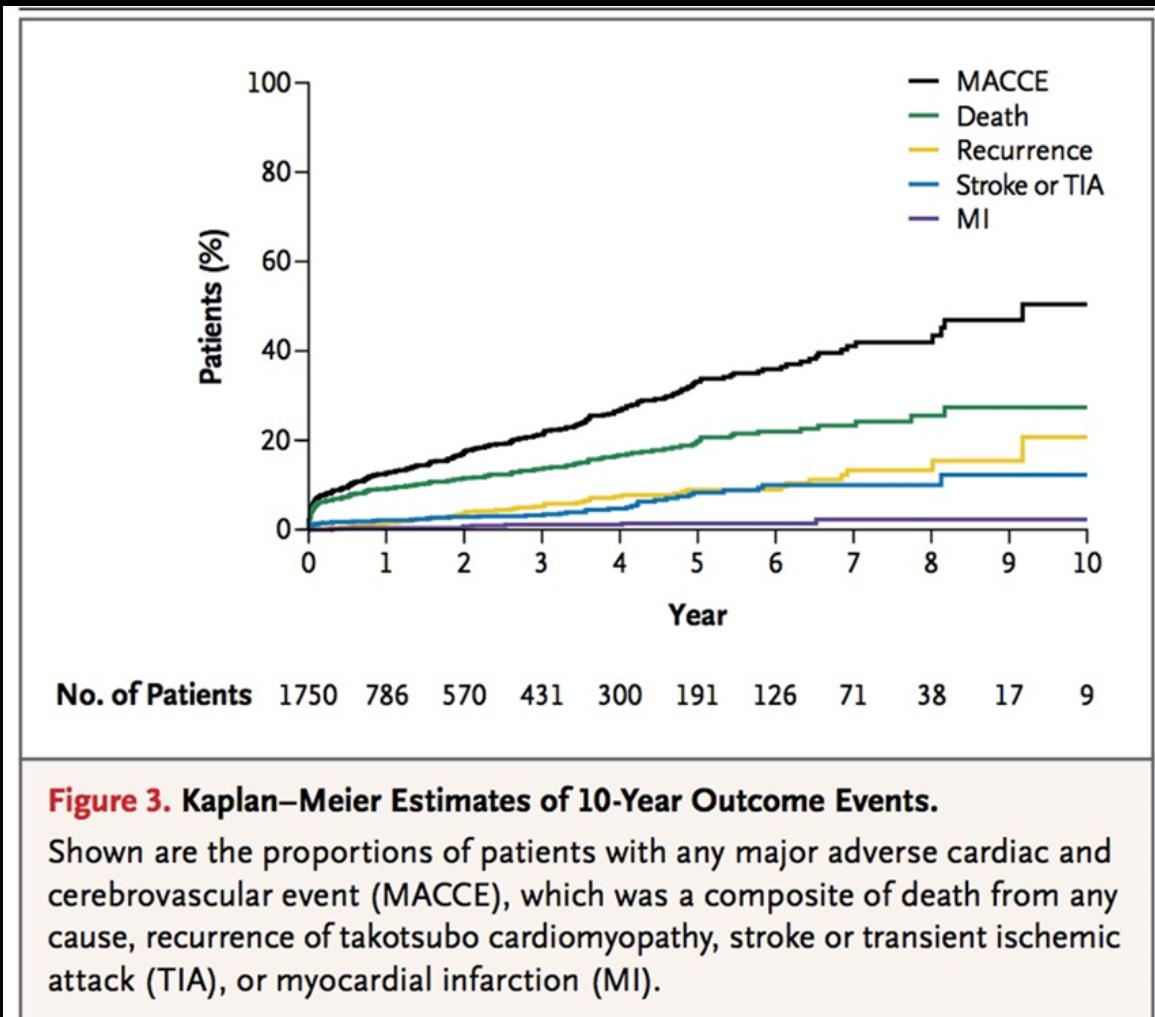
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Clinical Features and Outcomes
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| Table 1. Characteristics of the Patients at Baseline.* | | | | |
|--|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------|
| Characteristic | Takotsubo Cardiomyopathy | | Acute Coronary Syndrome | P Value† |
| | Total Cohort (N=1750) | Matched Cohort (N=455) | Matched Cohort (N=455) | |
| Female sex — no. (%) | 1571 (89.8) | 411 (90.3) | 411 (90.3) | 1.00 |
| Age — yr | 66.4±13.1 | 67.7±12.5 | 68.7±12.3 | 0.19 |
| Treatment — no./total no. (%) | | | | |
| Catecholamine | 212/1735 (12.2) | 53/455 (11.6) | 50/455 (11.0) | 0.75 |
| Invasive or noninvasive ventilation | 301/1735 (17.3) | 63/455 (13.8) | 41/455 (9.0) | 0.02 |
| Cardiopulmonary resuscitation | 149/1735 (8.6) | 40/455 (8.8) | 53/455 (11.6) | 0.16 |
| In-hospital outcomes — no./total no. (%) | | | | |
| Cardiogenic shock | 170/1716 (9.9) | 55/445 (12.4) | 48/455 (10.5) | 0.39 |
| Death | 72/1750 (4.1) | 17/455 (3.7) | 24/455 (5.3) | 0.26 |



Take home messages

- La TTS non colpisce esclusivamente le donne (F:M 9:1) dopo la menopausa (circa 10 % in epoca pre-menopausa).
- Il trigger event non è solo emotivo, ma può essere una patologia medico-chirurgica acuta o può anche non essere evidente.
- Può coesistere una coronaropatia anche significativa (circa 10% dei casi).
- Esistono diversi fenotipi oltre al classico «apical left ventricular ballooning» (circa 15-20% di forme «atipiche»)
- Può essere interessato anche il ventricolo destro («biventricula ballooning» in circa il 10-15%)
- La prognosi non è sempre benigna (soprattutto nei pazienti anziani, con più comorbidità, con interessamento del ventricolo destro, con insufficienza mitralica moderata severa in fase acuta ed ostruzione all' efflusso ventricolare sinistro)



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