

# Value of Coronary Intervention in Progression of Left Ventricular Dysfunction

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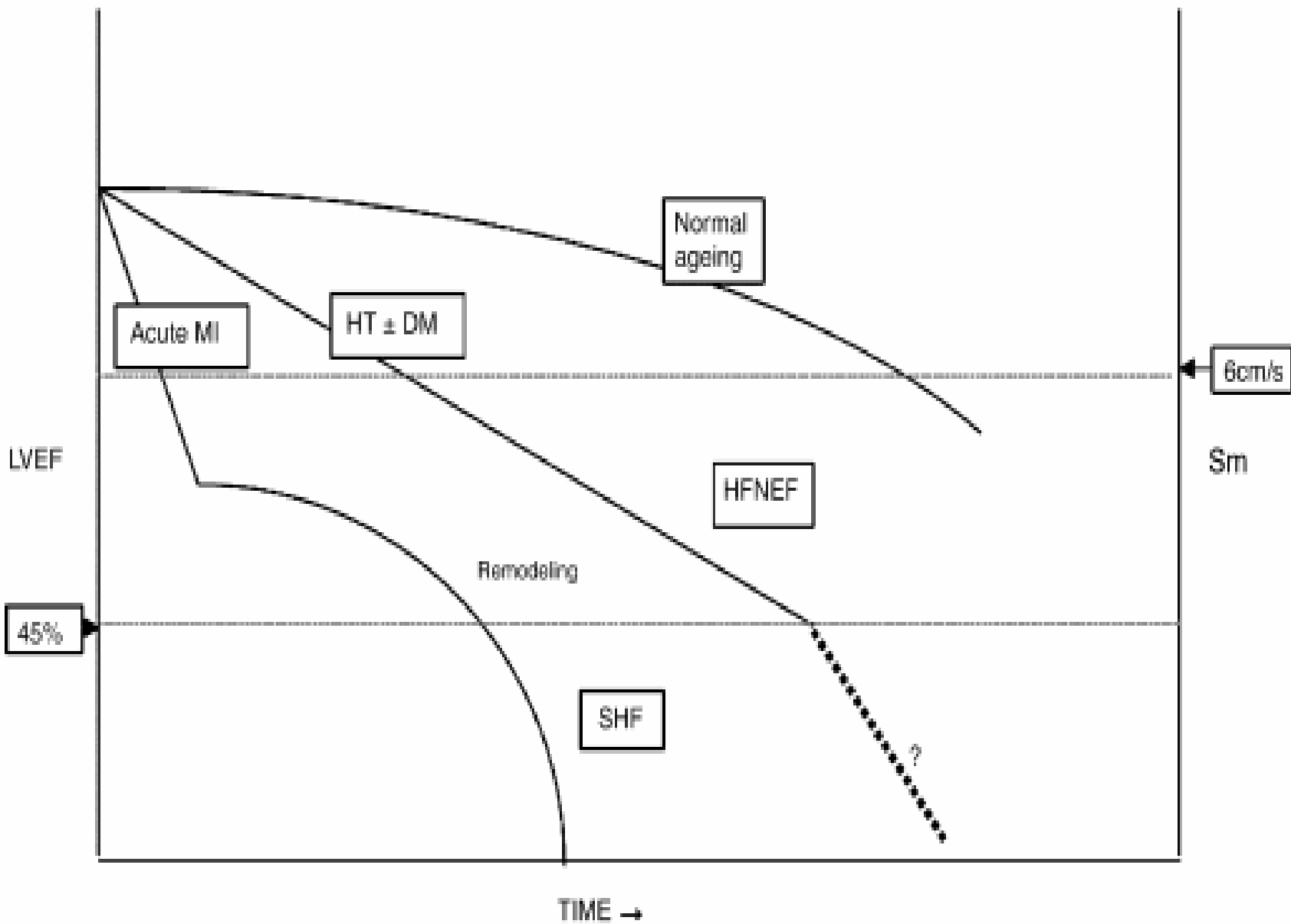
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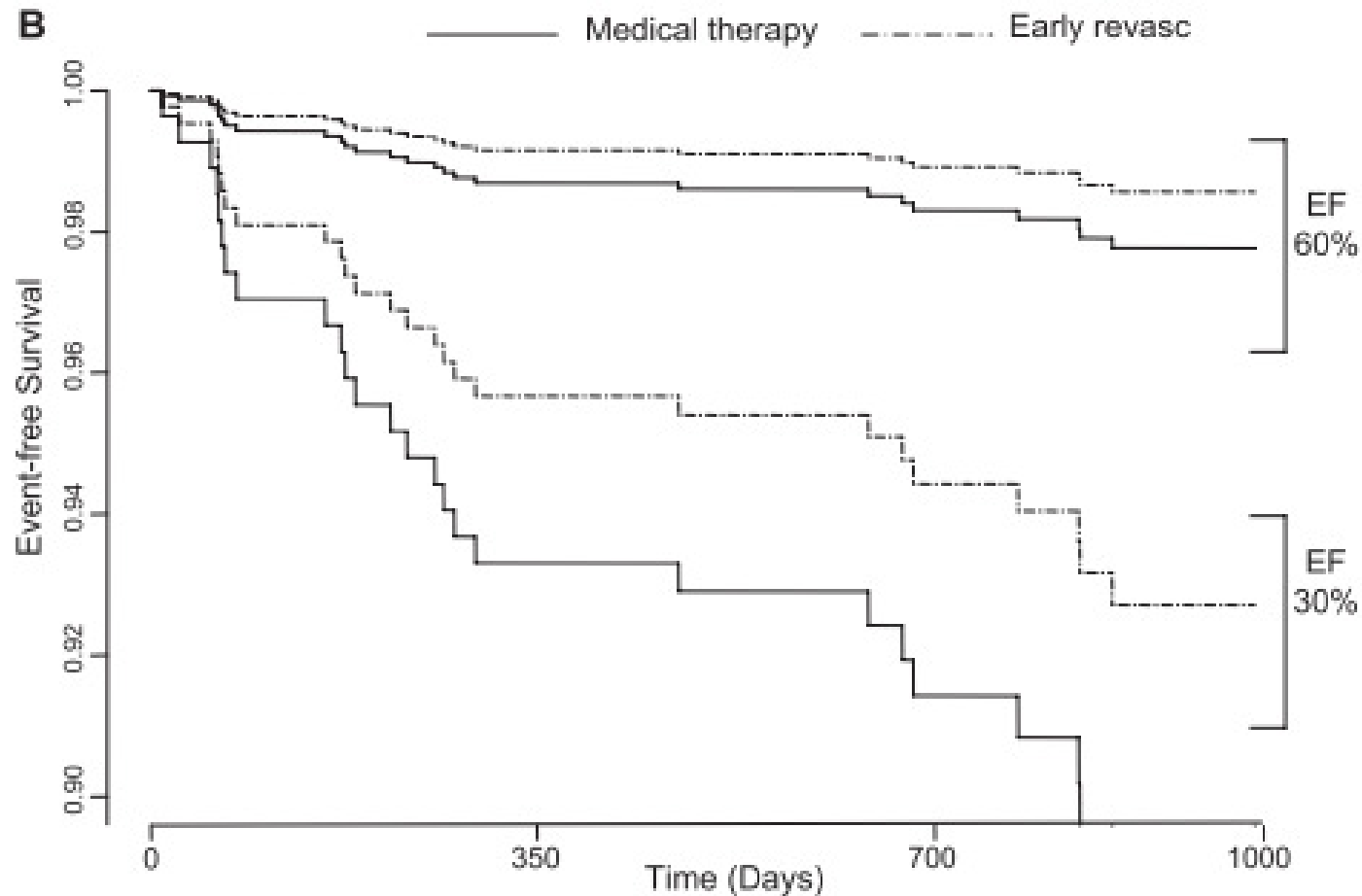
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**Figure 6.** Kaplan-Meier survival curves demonstrating predicted survival free of cardiac death with early revascularization (*revasc*) versus medical therapy.  $P < .0001$  for all based on final Cox proportional hazards model. **A.** Patients with no ischemia on MPS, stratified by EF (30% vs 60%) and post-MPS treatment (medical therapy vs revascularization). **B.** Patients with 25% ischemic myocardium on MPS, stratified by EF (30% vs 60%) and post-MPS treatment (medical therapy vs revascularization).

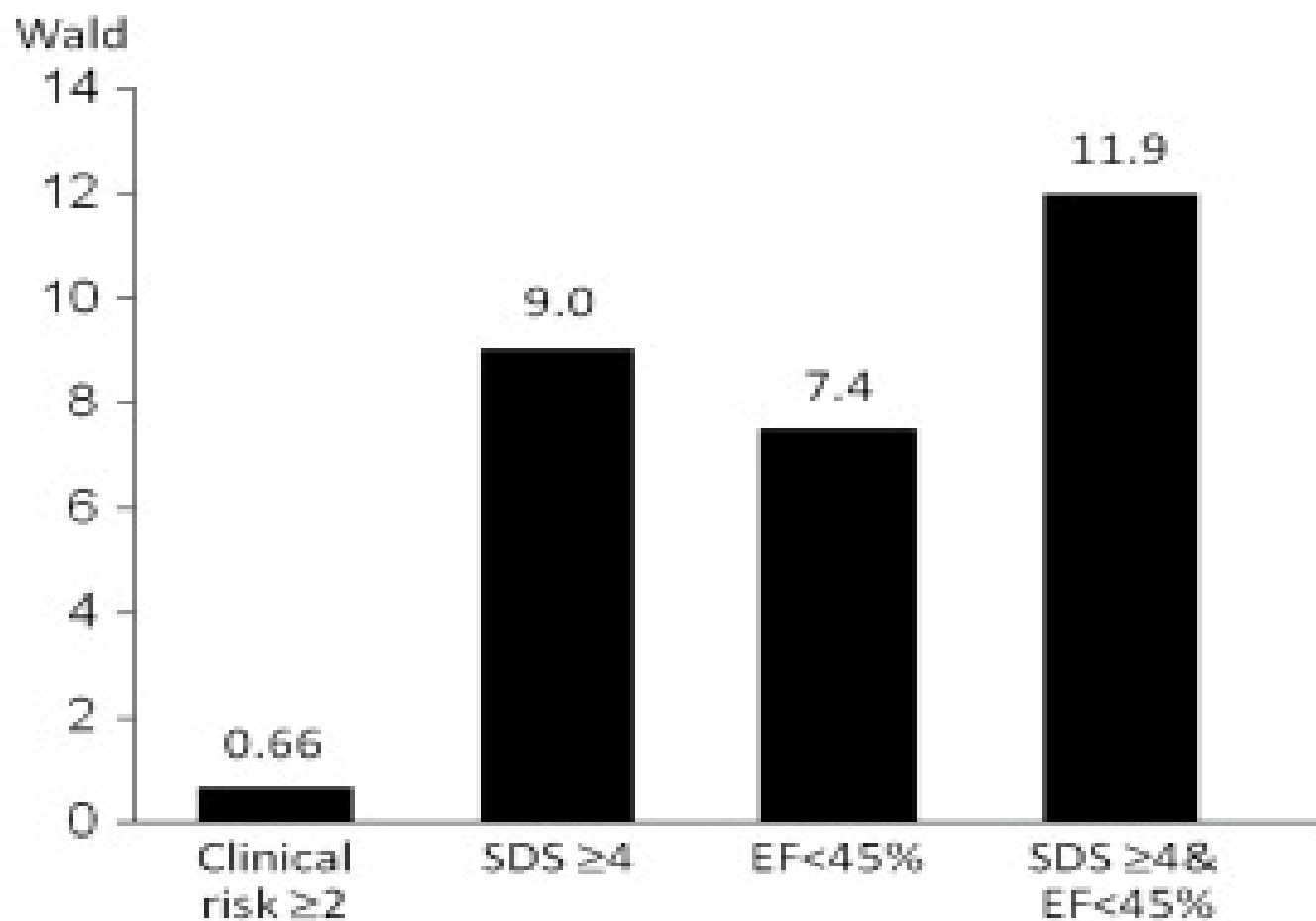
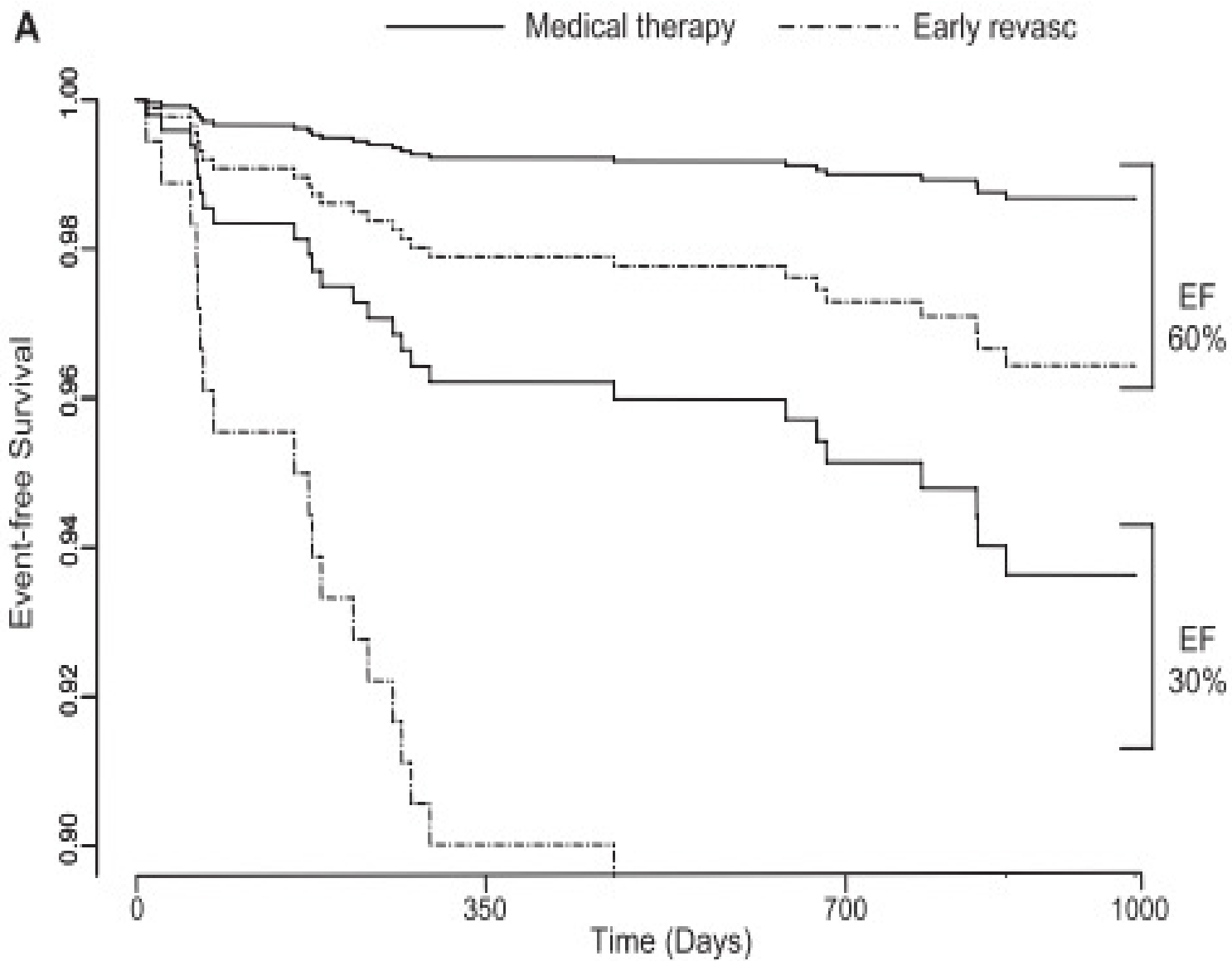


Fig4. Predictive value for acute coronary syndrome among clinical risk factors, significant myocardial ischemia, low poststress EF and the combination of significant myocardial ischemia and low poststress EF. See Fig 2 for abbreviations.





## Prognostic implications of stress-induced transient ischemic dilation of the left ventricle in patients with systolic dysfunction and fixed perfusion defects

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### Abstract

**Purpose:** To verify whether stress-induced transient ischemic dilation (TID) of the left ventricle may help refine prognostic assessment of patients with resting systolic dysfunction and fixed perfusion defects.

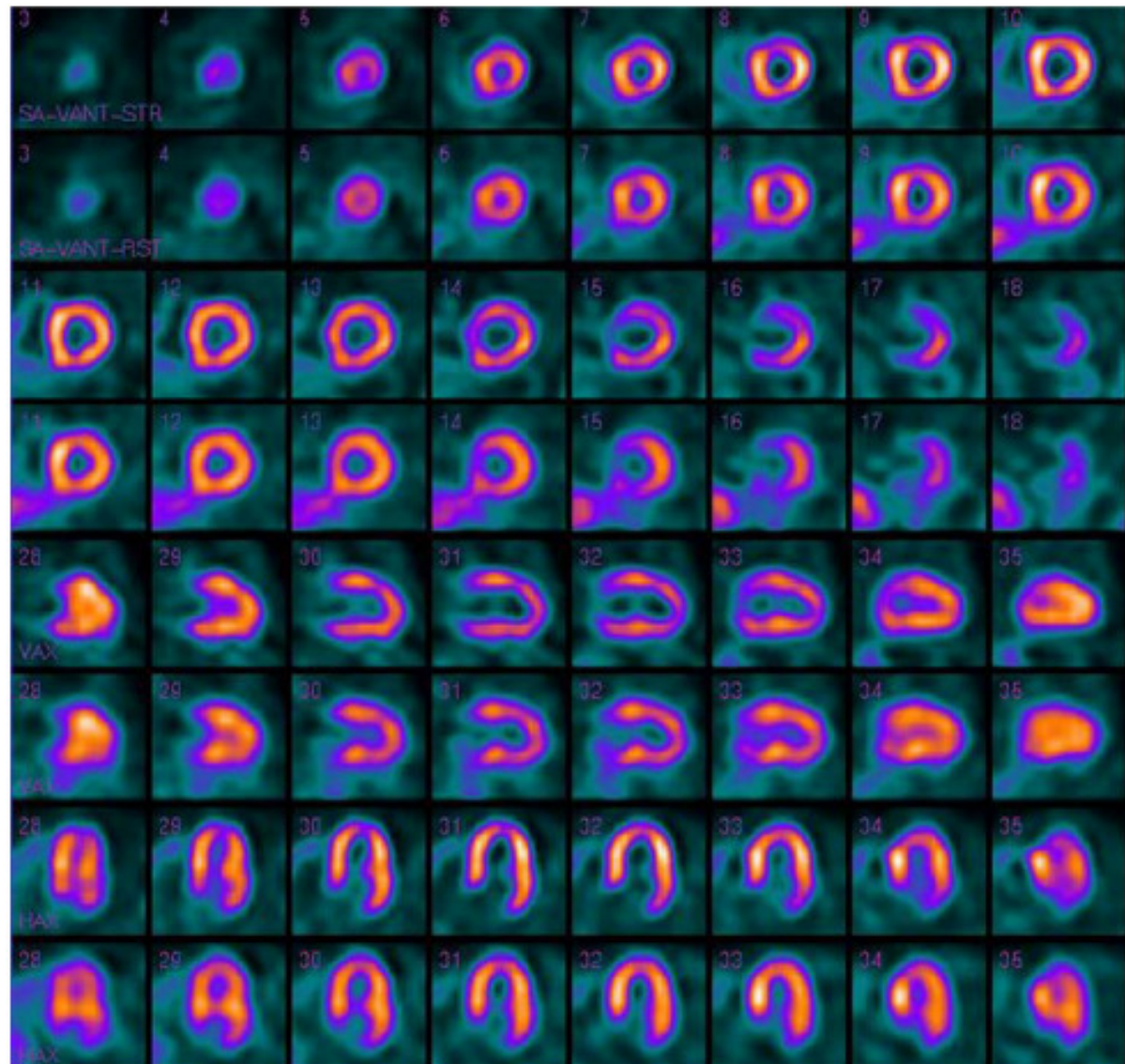
**Methods:** Two hundred seventy patients with resting ejection fraction  $\leq 50\%$  and fixed perfusion defects on exercise ( $n=180$ ) or dipyridamole ( $n=90$ ) ECG-gated single-photon emission computed tomography (SPECT) were followed-up for the combined endpoint of death, acute coronary syndrome, and clinically-driven revascularization. The TID ratio was defined as the ratio of LV volumes at stress and rest.

**Results:** During a median time of 24 months, 47 events (10 deaths, 20 acute coronary syndromes and 17 revascularization) were observed. After adjusting for clinical and stress testing variables, the unfeasible exercise test [hazard ratio (HR) 1.82, 95% confidence interval (CI) 1.02, 3.24] and the highest quartile of TID ratio [HR 1.93, 95% CI 1.05, 3.54] were the only independent predictors of outcome. The highest quartile of TID ratio was associated to significantly lower percent of event-free survival.

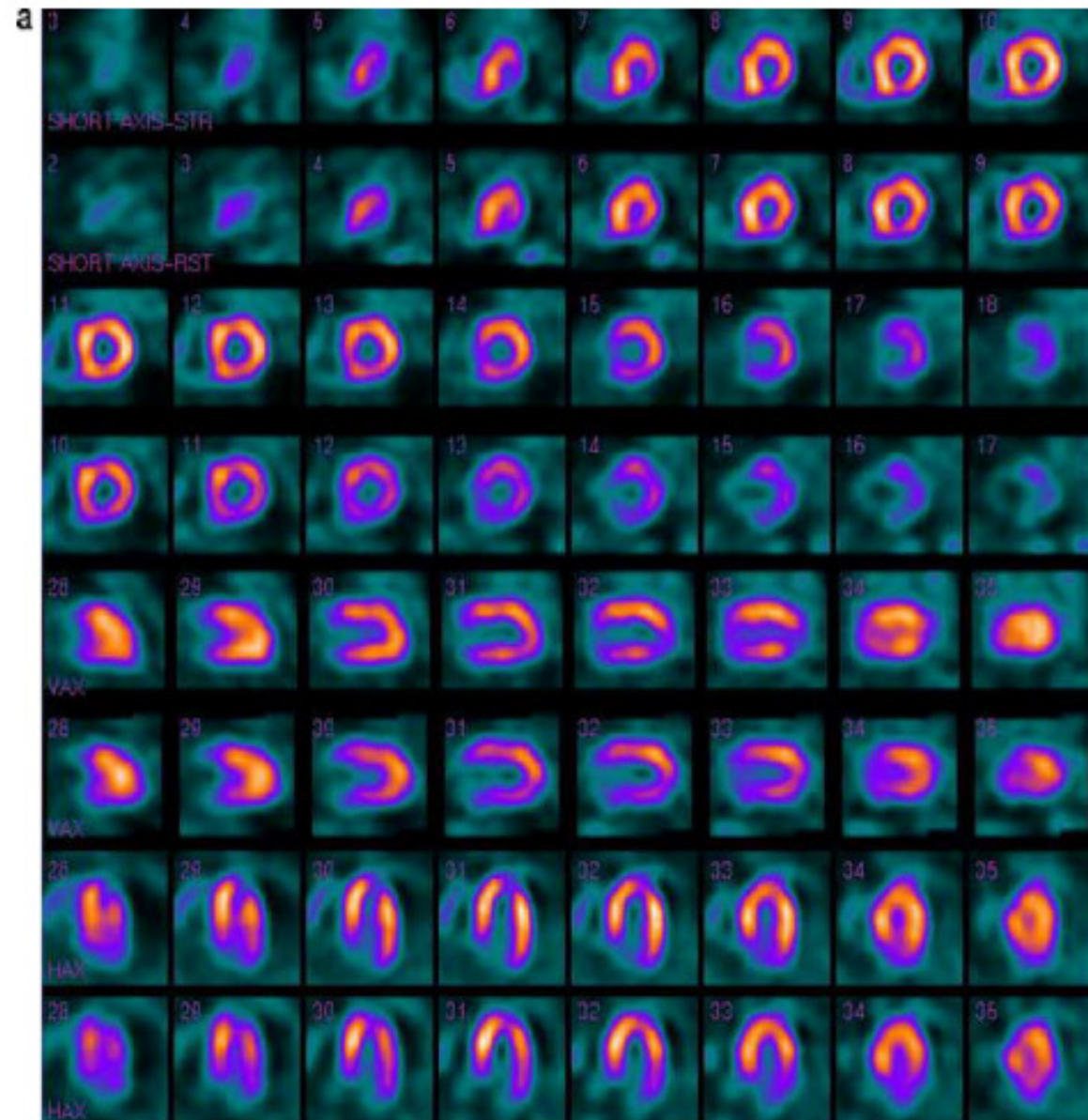
**Conclusions:** Left ventricular TID ratio helps refine outcome prediction in patients with resting systolic dysfunction and fixed perfusion defects, thus reducing risk of a false negative result.

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**Fig. 1** Myocardial perfusion images show transient cavity dilatation despite normal perfusion. See text for details



**Fig. 3 a** Myocardial perfusion images show an increase in RV tracer uptake on stress images. See text for details.  
**b** Myocardial perfusion images show an increase in RV tracer uptake on stress images (gray scale). See text for details



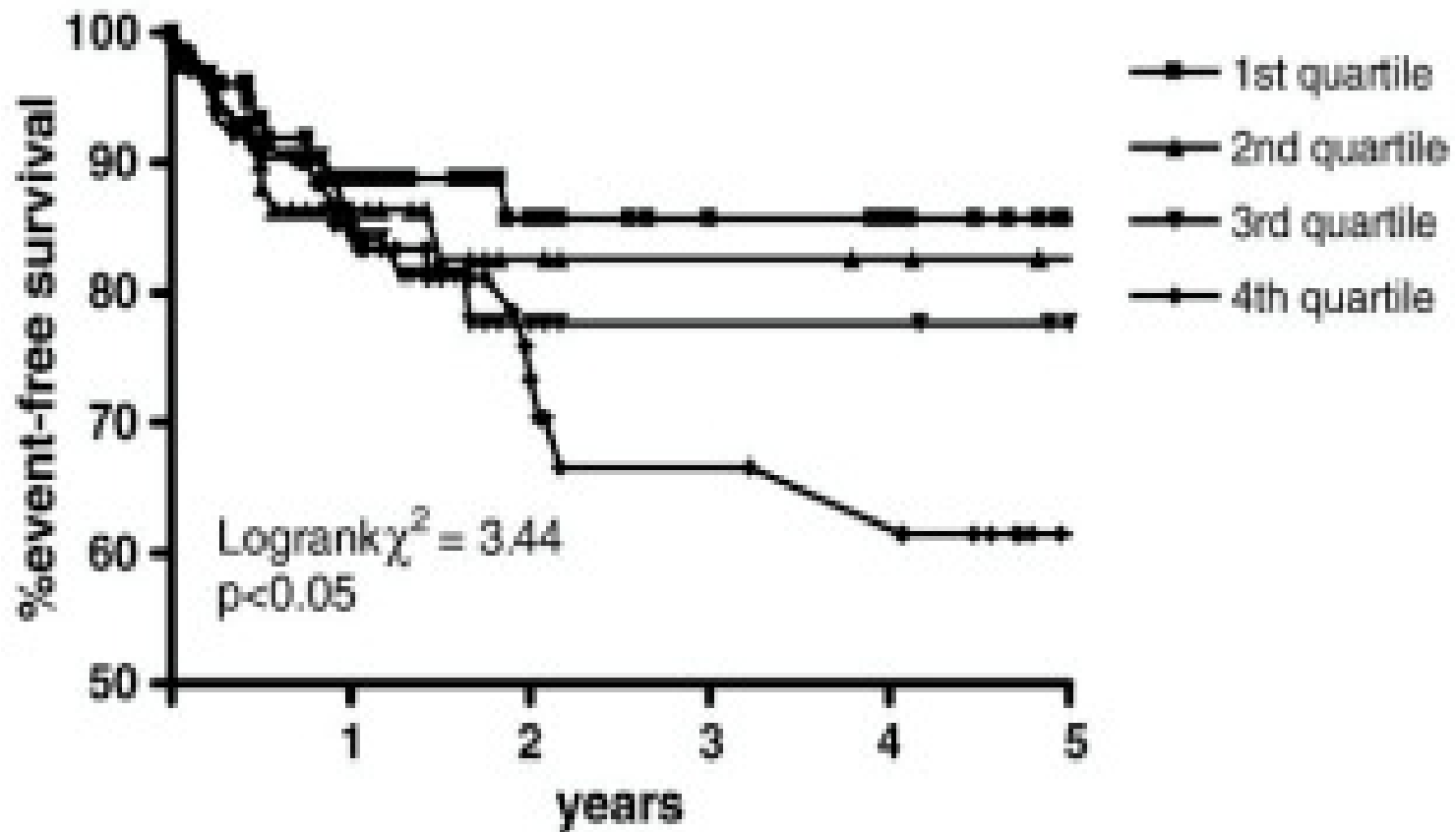
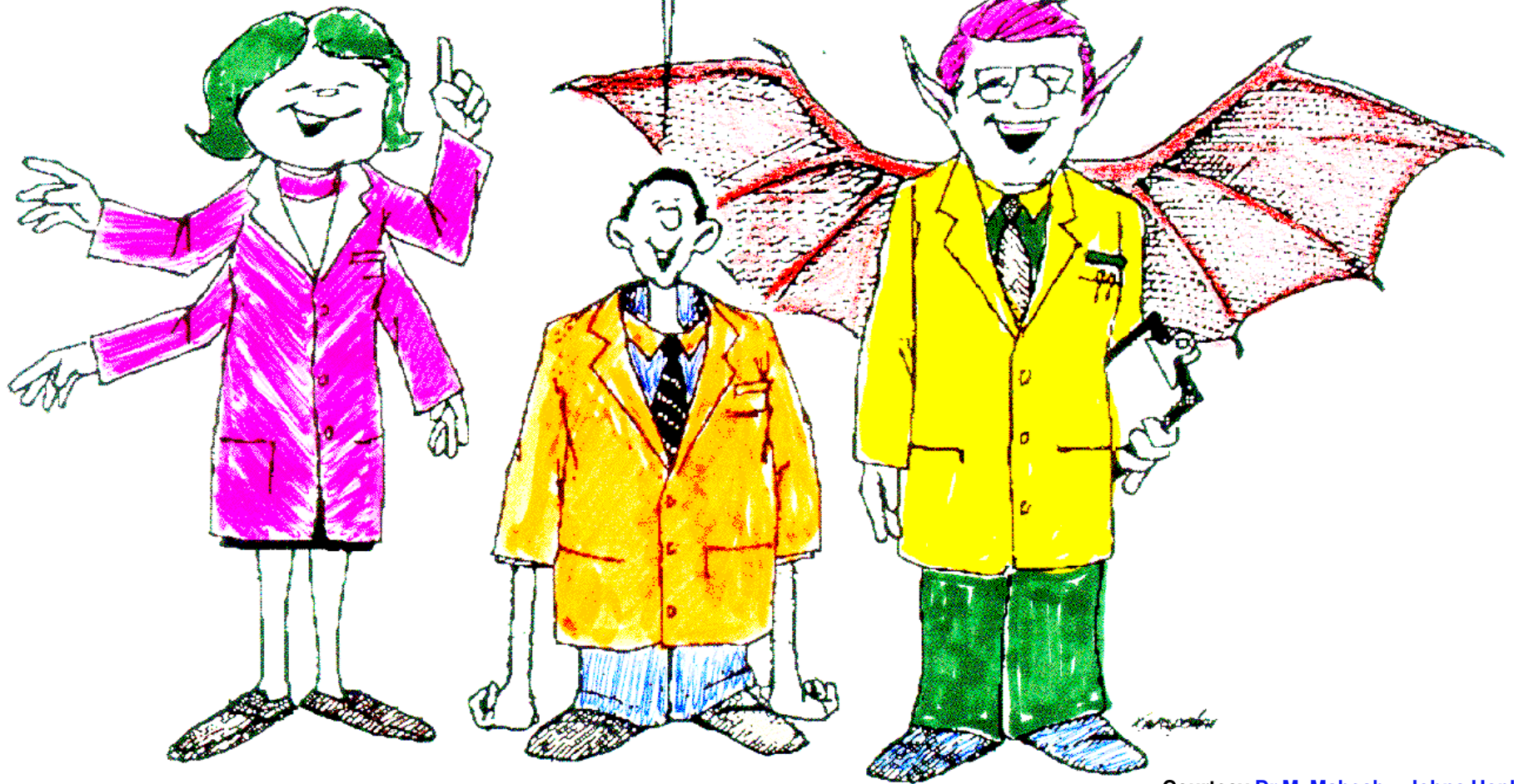
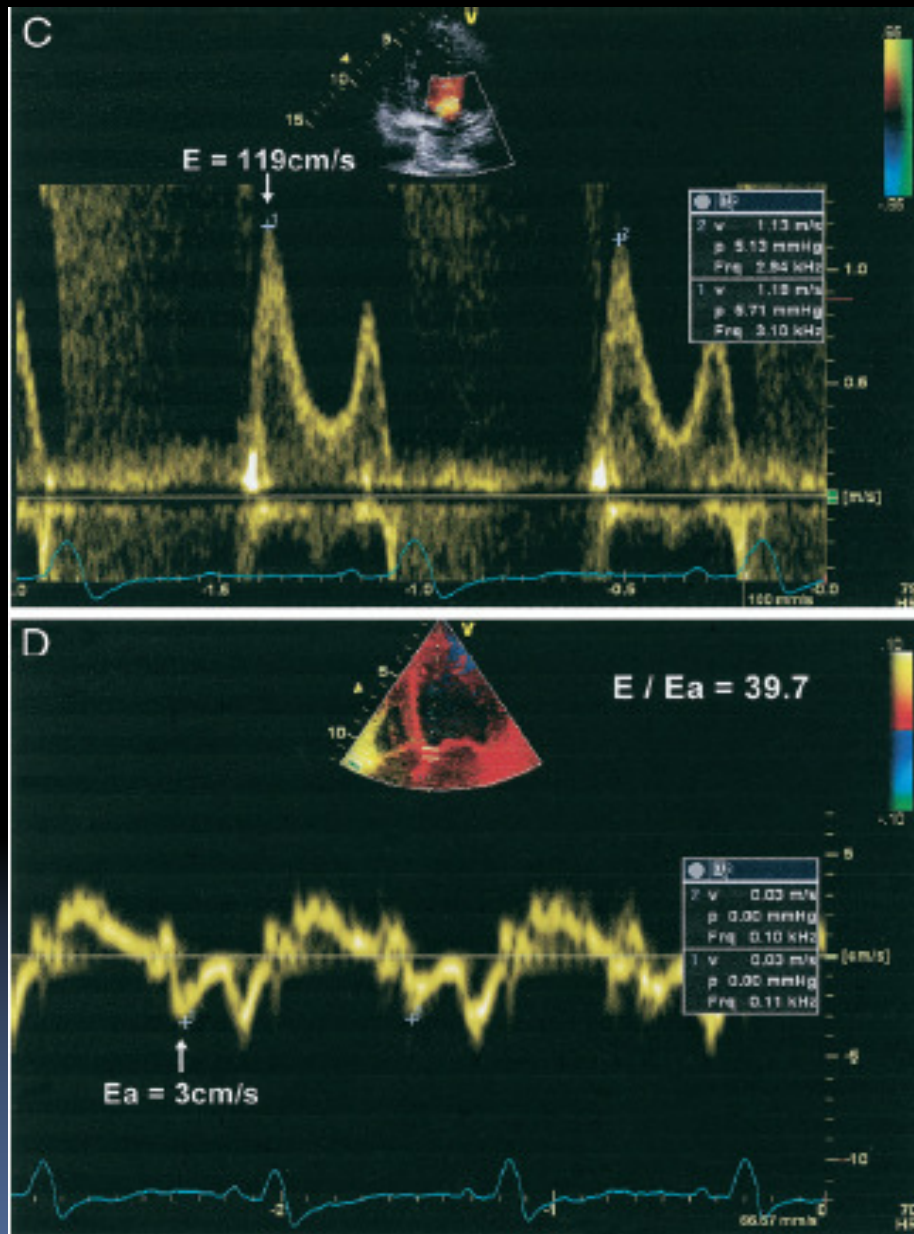


Fig. 1. Percent distribution of target events and revascularization procedures by ascending quartiles of peak-rest end-diastolic volume variation.

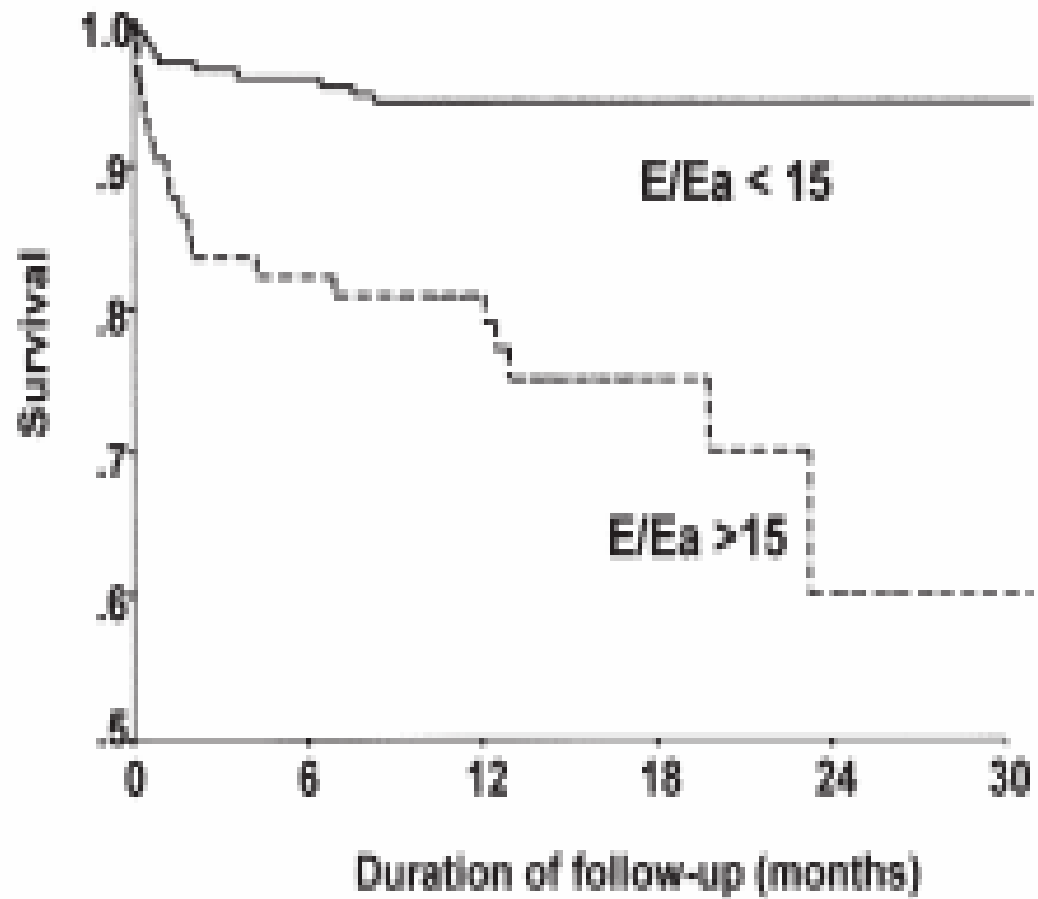
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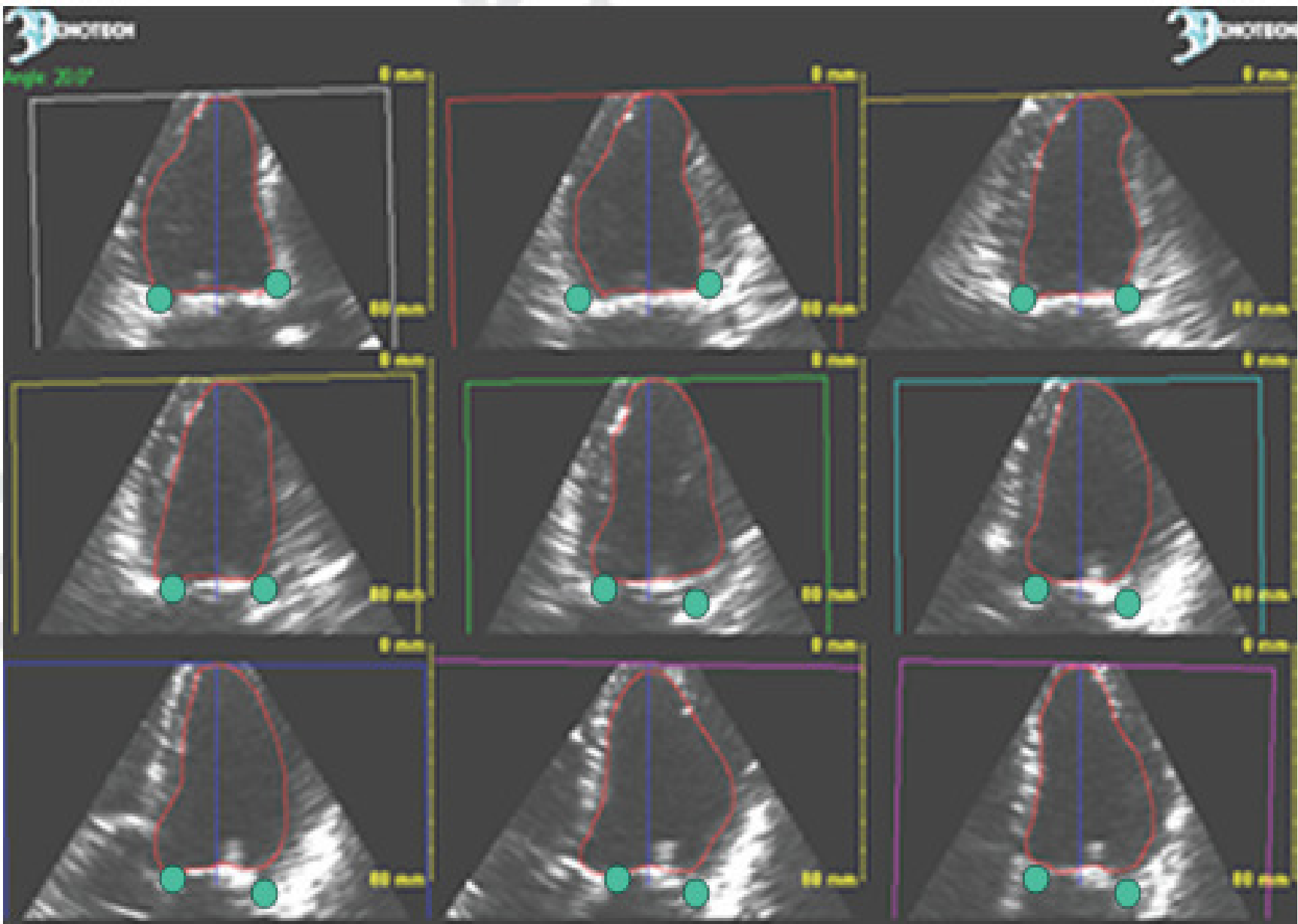


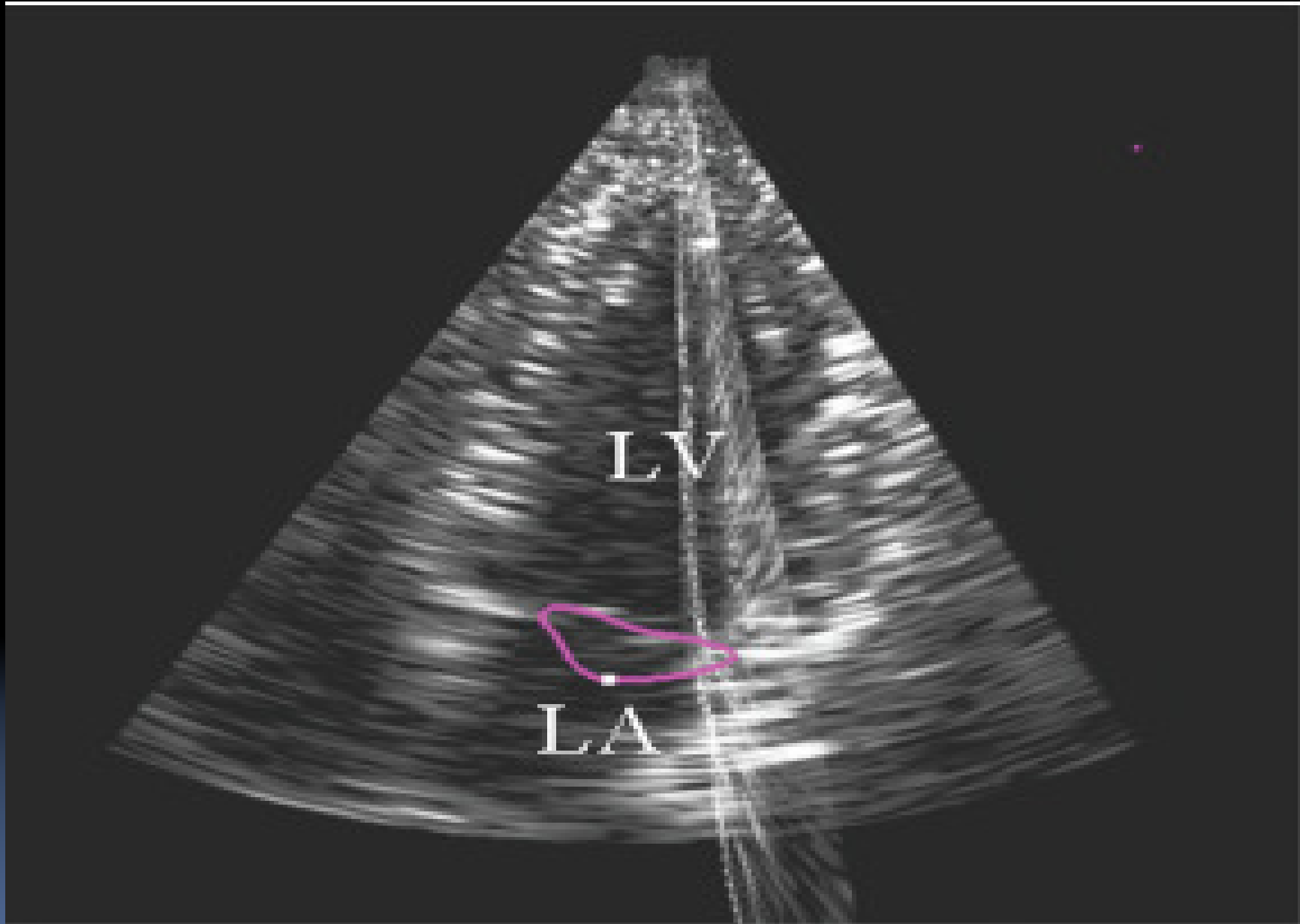


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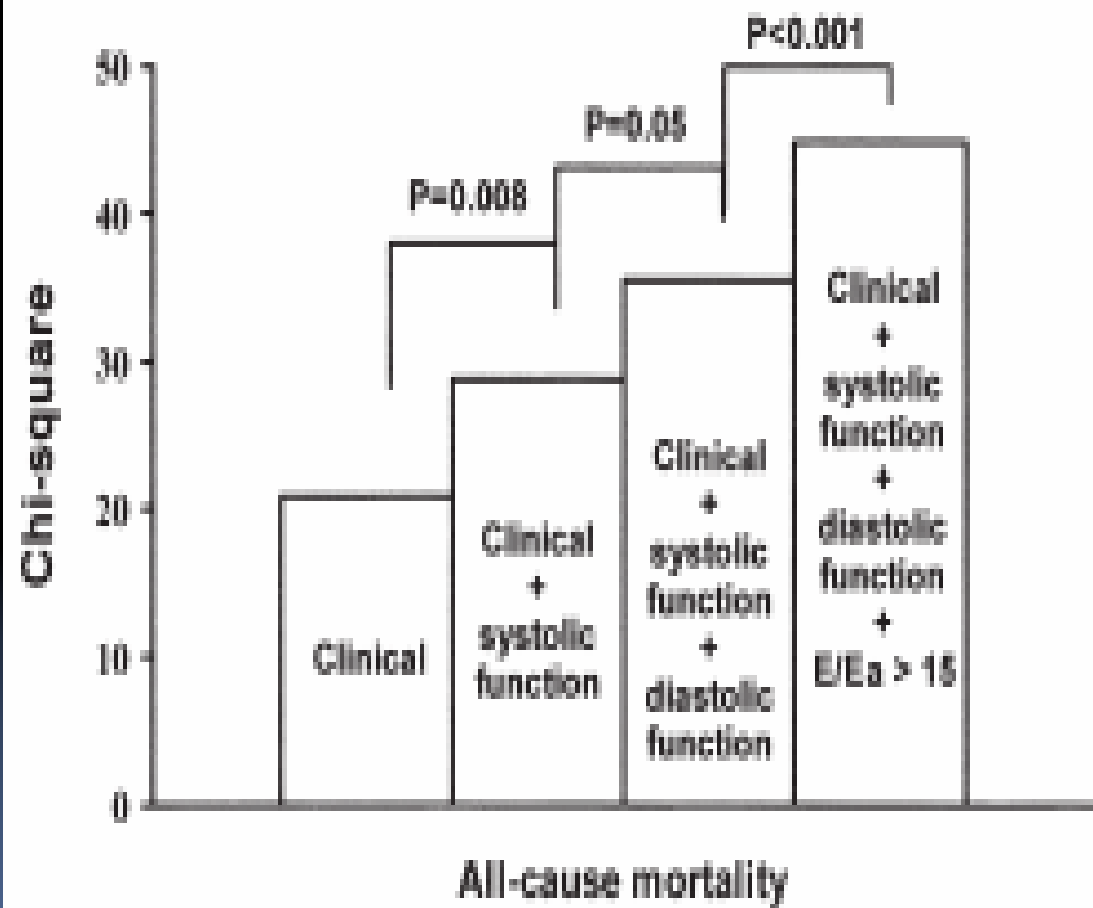


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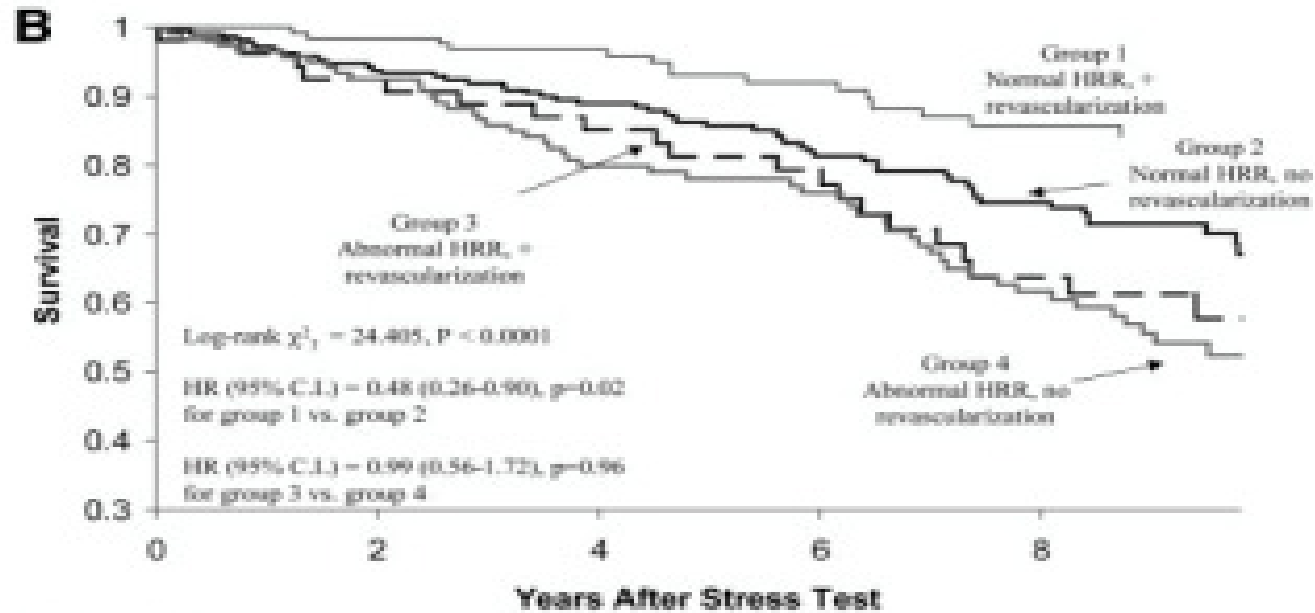




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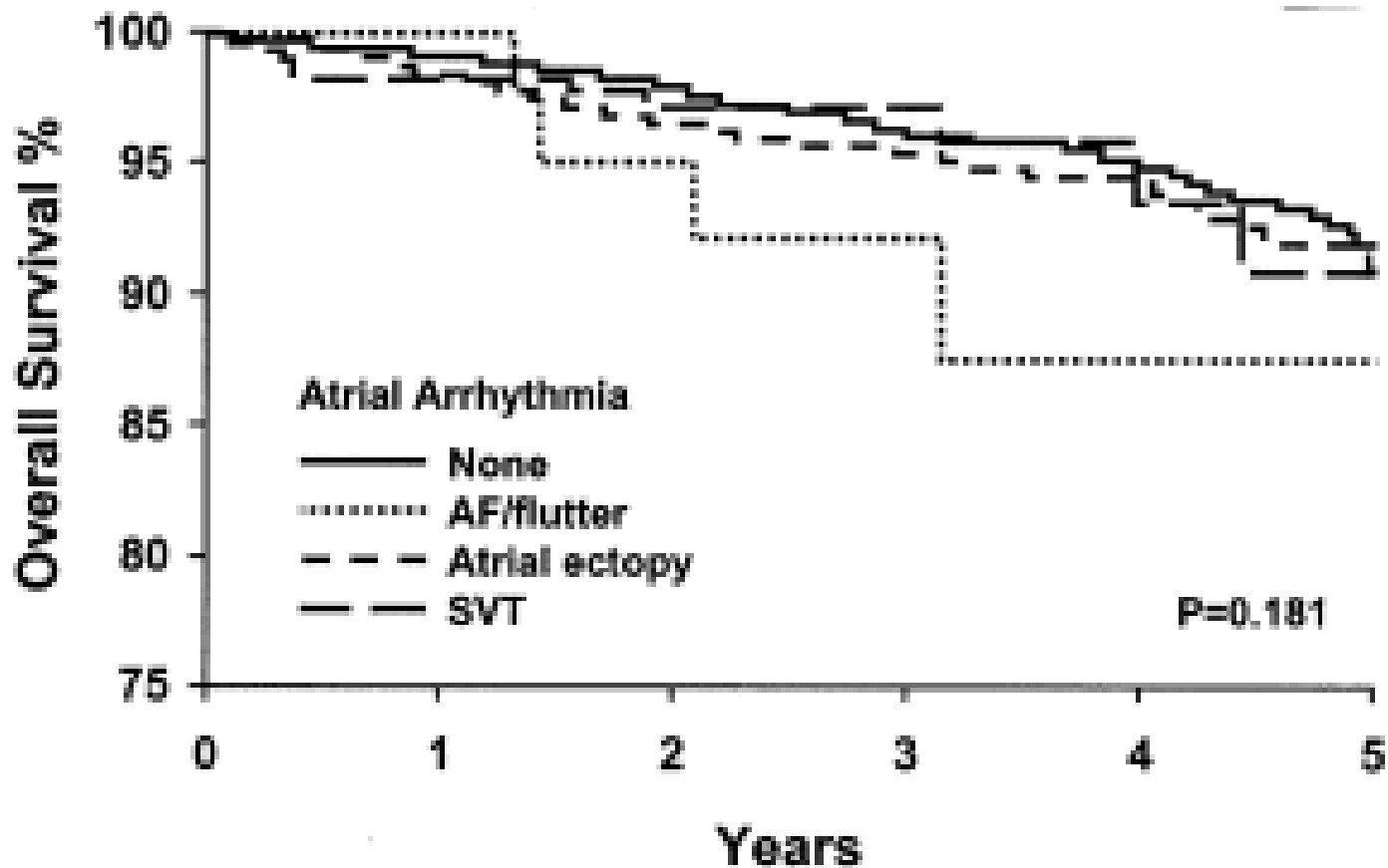


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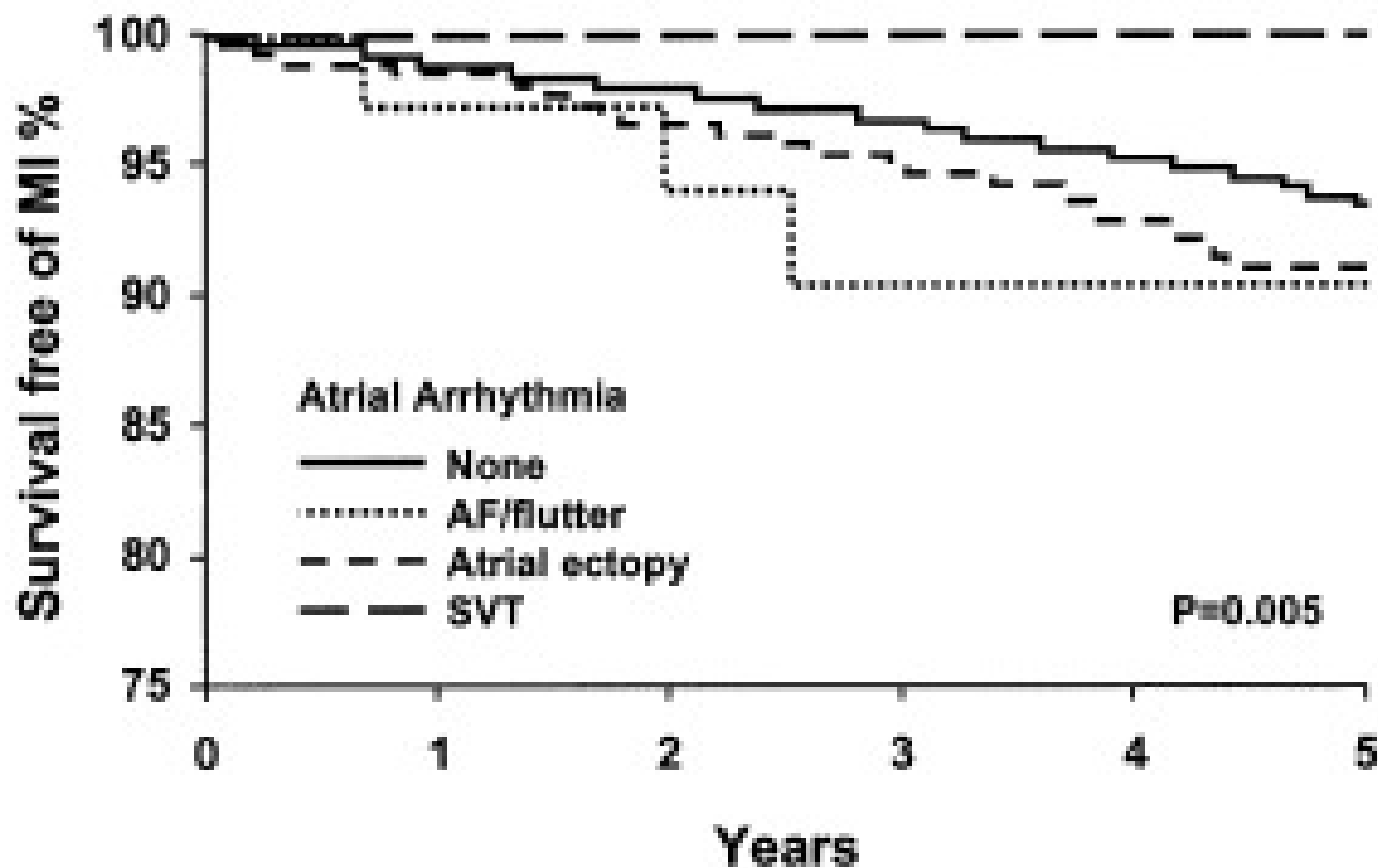


Number at Risk						
Group 1	122	121	119	88	65	56
Group 2	209	197	179	127	97	40
Group 3	54	51	46	42	28	17
Group 4	120	112	94	75	56	29

**Figure 2.** Kaplan-Meier curves for ischemic patients with impaired functional capacity in propensity-matched cohort (A) and in all patients (B). In propensity-matched cohort, ischemic patients with impaired functional capacity and abnormal HRR were at high risk of dying and did not have improved survival with revascularization. In contrast, ischemic patients with impaired functional capacity and normal HRR had lower mortality after revascularization. B, Similar trend was seen when same subgroup analysis was performed in all patients.



**Figure 1.** The Kaplan-Meier analysis of the association of exercise-induced atrial arrhythmias and five-year overall survival. AF = atrial fibrillation; SVT = supraventricular tachycardia.



**Figure 3.** Kaplan-Meier analysis of the association of exercised-induced atrial arrhythmias and five-year survival free of myocardial infarction (MI). Abbreviations as in Figure 1.

- Determination of ischemia localization and extent by MPS provide prognostic information and related to progression of LV dysfunction.
- Some other diagnostic findings including transient LV dilation and RV tracer uptake should be evaluated carefully.
- In addition to ischemia extent and LV systolic performance, important other prognostic risk factor is hypertension that should be effectively undercontrolled in addition to revascularization.
- Effective revascularization should be evaluated with associated target tissue recovery and used at least 5% improvement in ischemic burden for expectation of clinical benefit.



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