

GUIDELINE DIRECTED MANAGEMENT OF HEART FAILURE

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Classification and Trajectories of HF Based on LVEF

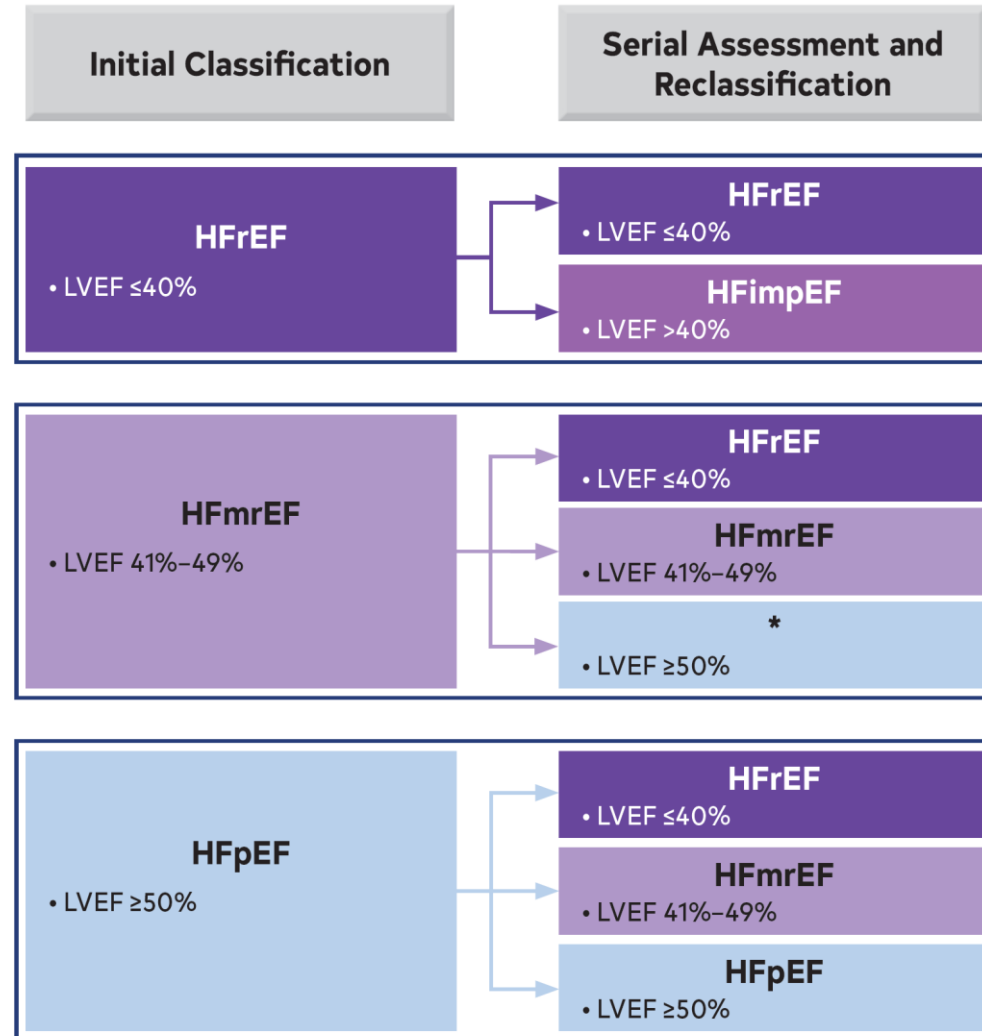




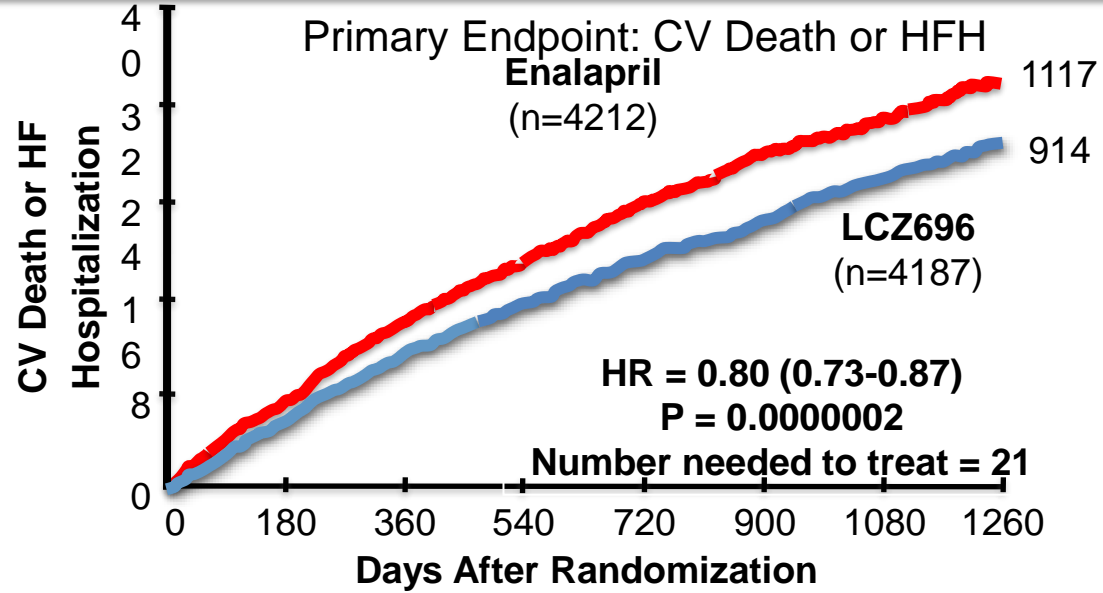
TABLE 4 Classification of HF by LVEF

Type of HF According to LVEF	Criteria
HFrEF (HF with reduced EF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ LVEF \leq40%
HFimpEF (HF with improved EF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Previous LVEF \leq40% and a follow-up measurement of LVEF $>$40%
HFmrEF (HF with mildly reduced EF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ LVEF 41%–49%  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Evidence of spontaneous or provokable increased LV filling pressures (e.g., elevated natriuretic peptide, noninvasive and invasive hemodynamic measurement)
HFpEF (HF with preserved EF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ LVEF \geq50%  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Evidence of spontaneous or provokable increased LV filling pressures (e.g., elevated natriuretic peptide, noninvasive and invasive hemodynamic measurement)

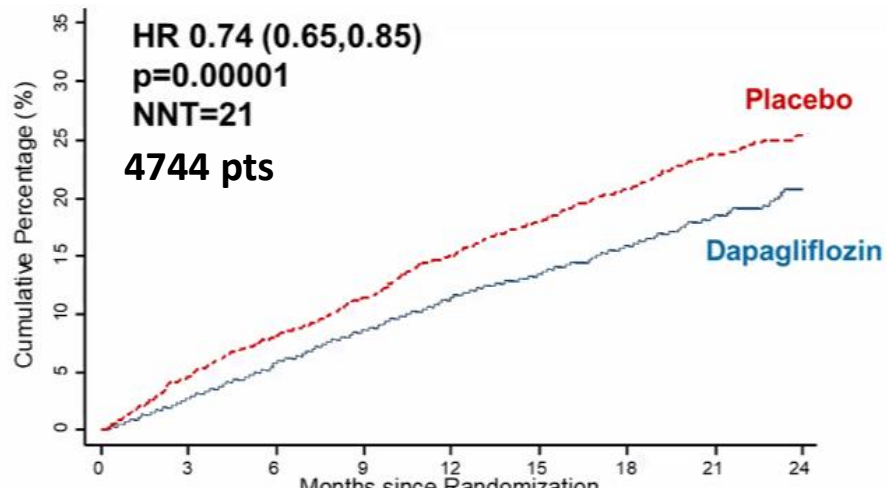
Current Evidence in Treatment of HFrEF

ARNi & SGLT2i in HFrEF

PARADIGM



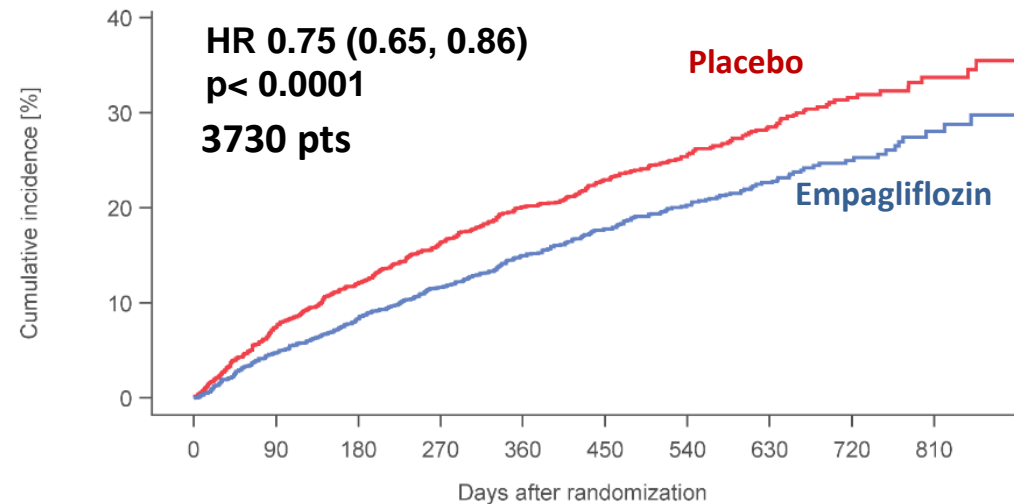
DAPA-HF



55% was without DM, 41 % had CKD

N Engl J Med 2019;381:1995-2008

EMPEROR-Reduced



50% was without DM, 48 % had CKD

Packer M et al. NEJM, August 29

Step 1 Establish diagnosis of HFrEF Address congestion Initiate GDMT	Step 2 Titrate to target dosing as tolerated, labs, health status, and LVEF	Step 3 Consider these patient scenarios	Step 4 Implement additional GDMT and device therapy, as indicated	Step 5 Reassess symptoms, labs, health status, and LVEF	Step 6 Referral for HF specialty care for additional therapy
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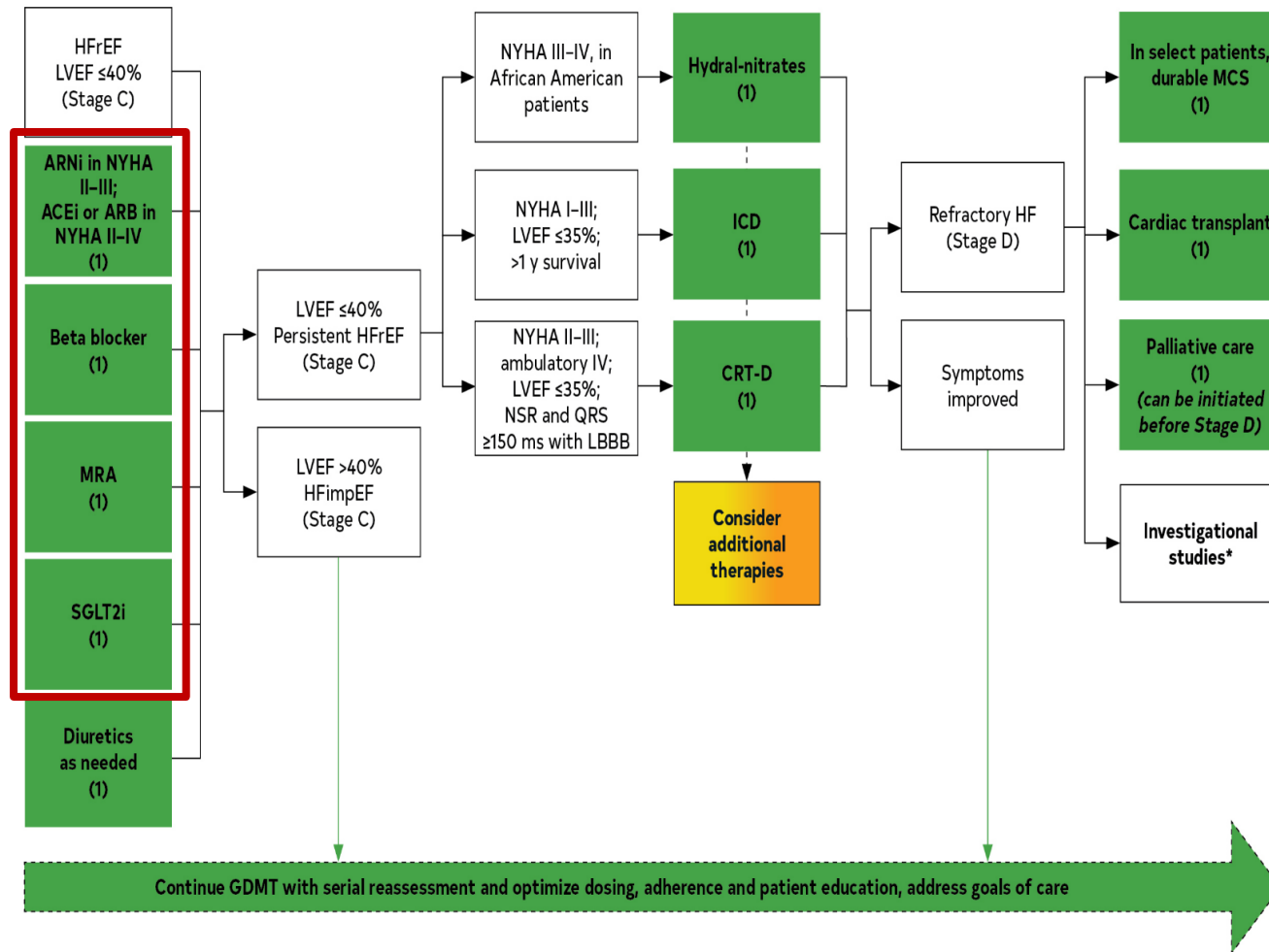
STEP 1

Treatment of HFrEF Stages C and D

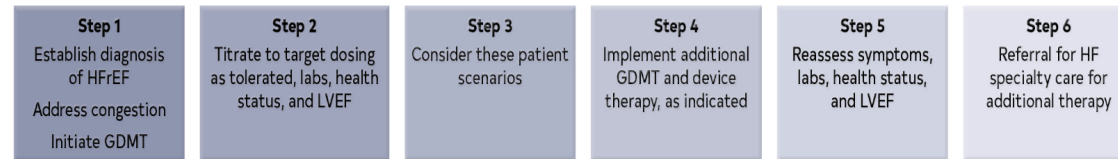
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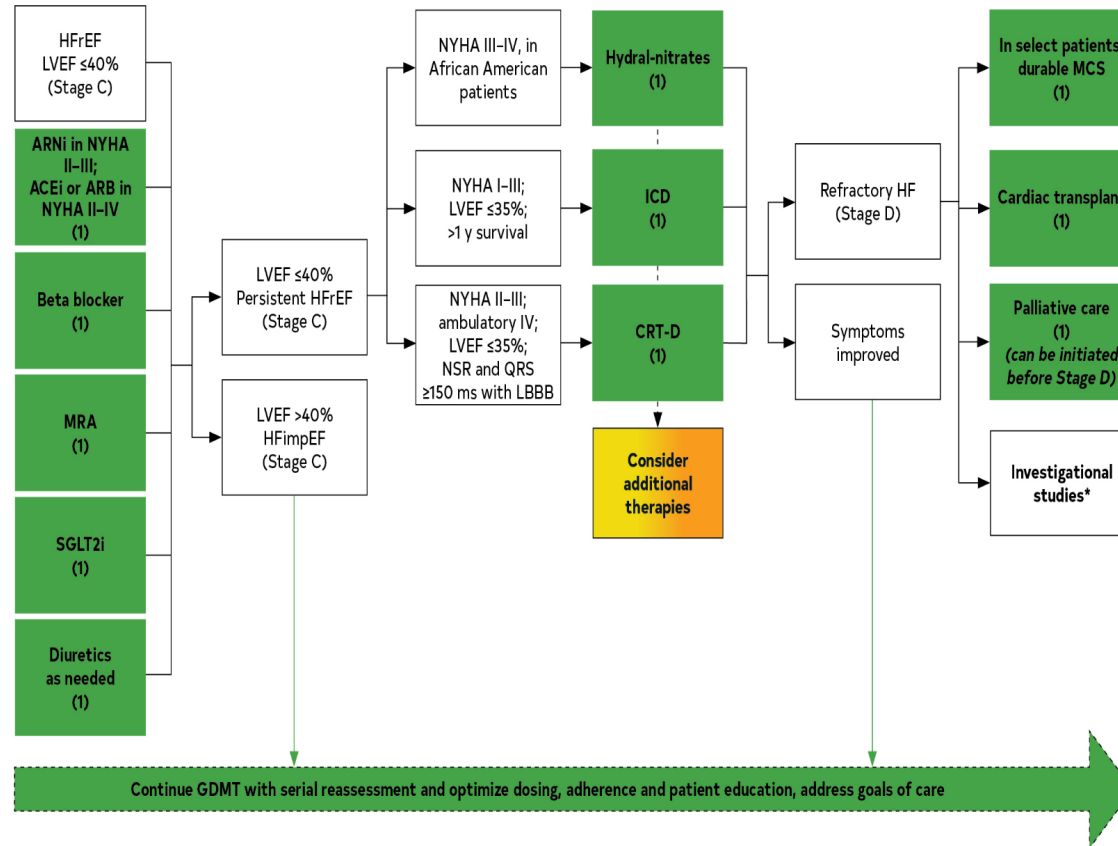
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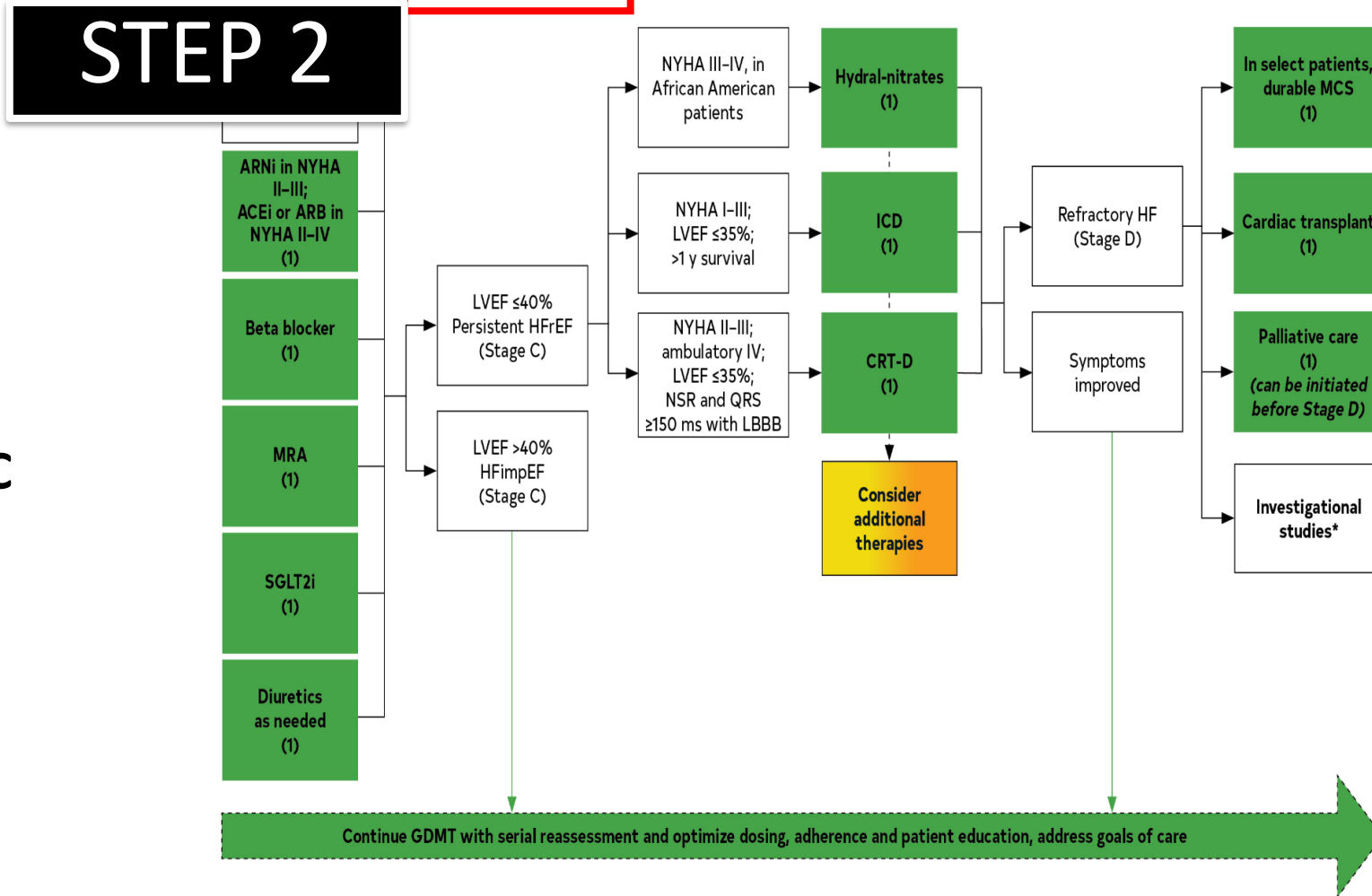


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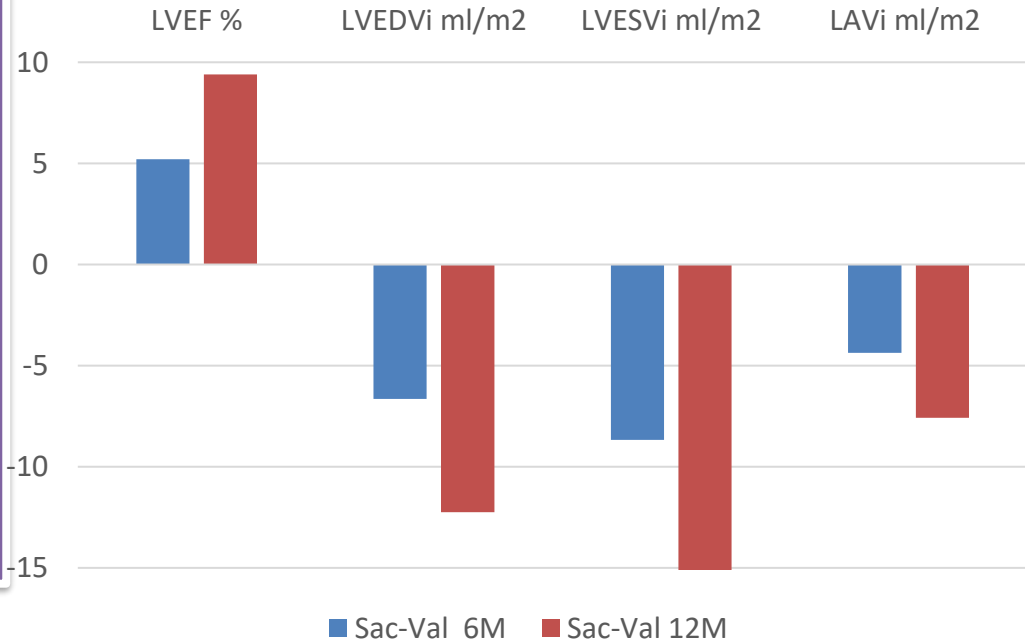
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Reversal of Remodeling with GDMT

12 months in PROVE HF

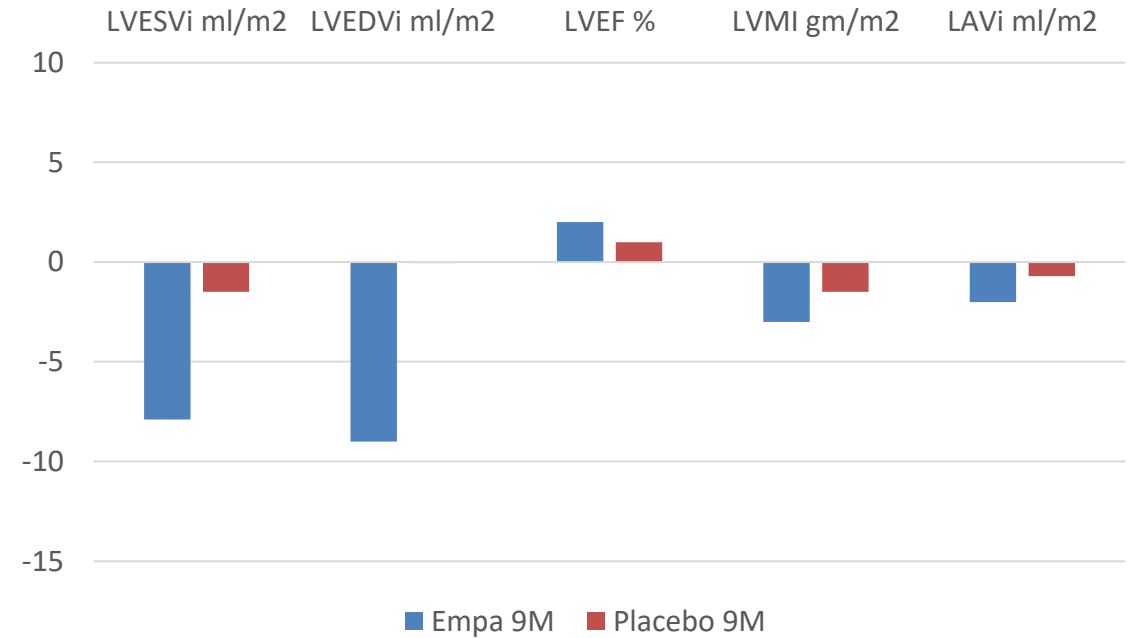
PROVE-HF Trial



JAMA. 2019;322(11):1085-1095.

9 months in SUGAR DM

SUGAR-DM-HF Trial



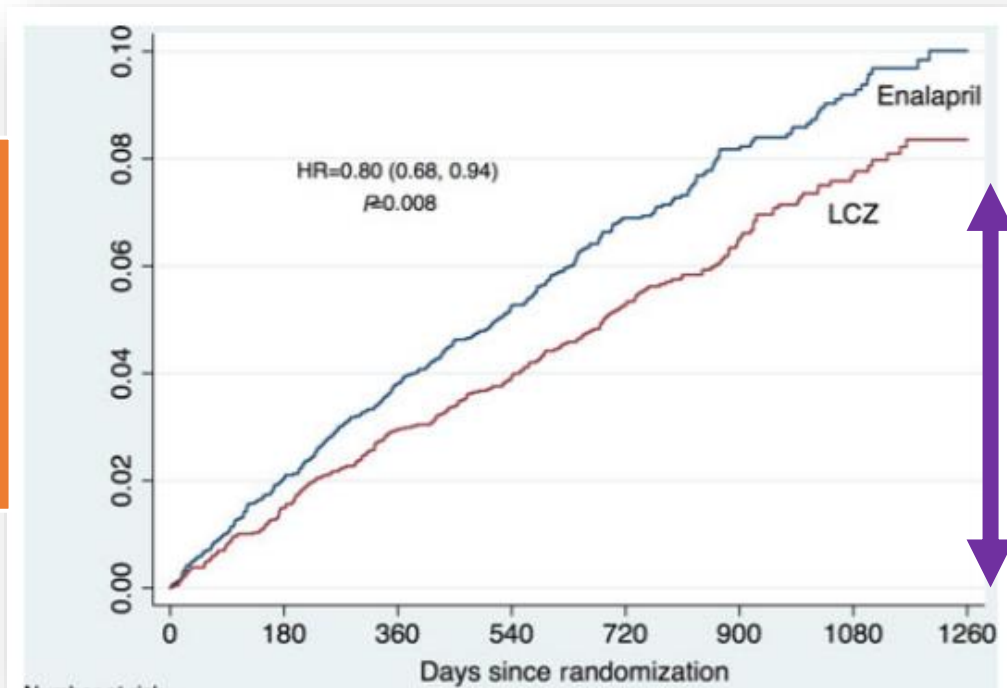
Lee M. Et al. Circulation. 2021;143:516–525.

ARNi

SGLT2i

Reduced SCD with GDMT

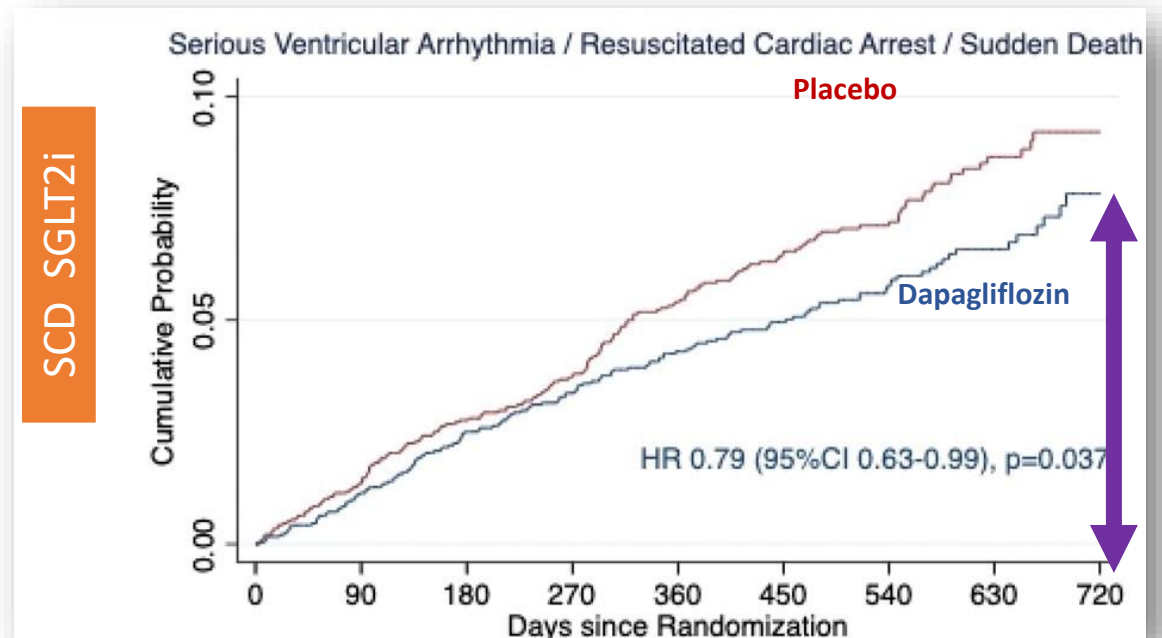
SCD ARNi



Desai AS. Et al Eur Heart J. 2015 Aug 7;36(30):1990-7. PMID: 26022006

SCD Placebo 3.3/1000 pt-yr, Dapagliflozin 2.7/1000 pt-yr, HR: 0.81 (0.62-1.07)

SCD SGLT2i



Curtain J. et al. DAPA-HF Eur Heart J . 2021 Sep 21;42(36):3727-3738.

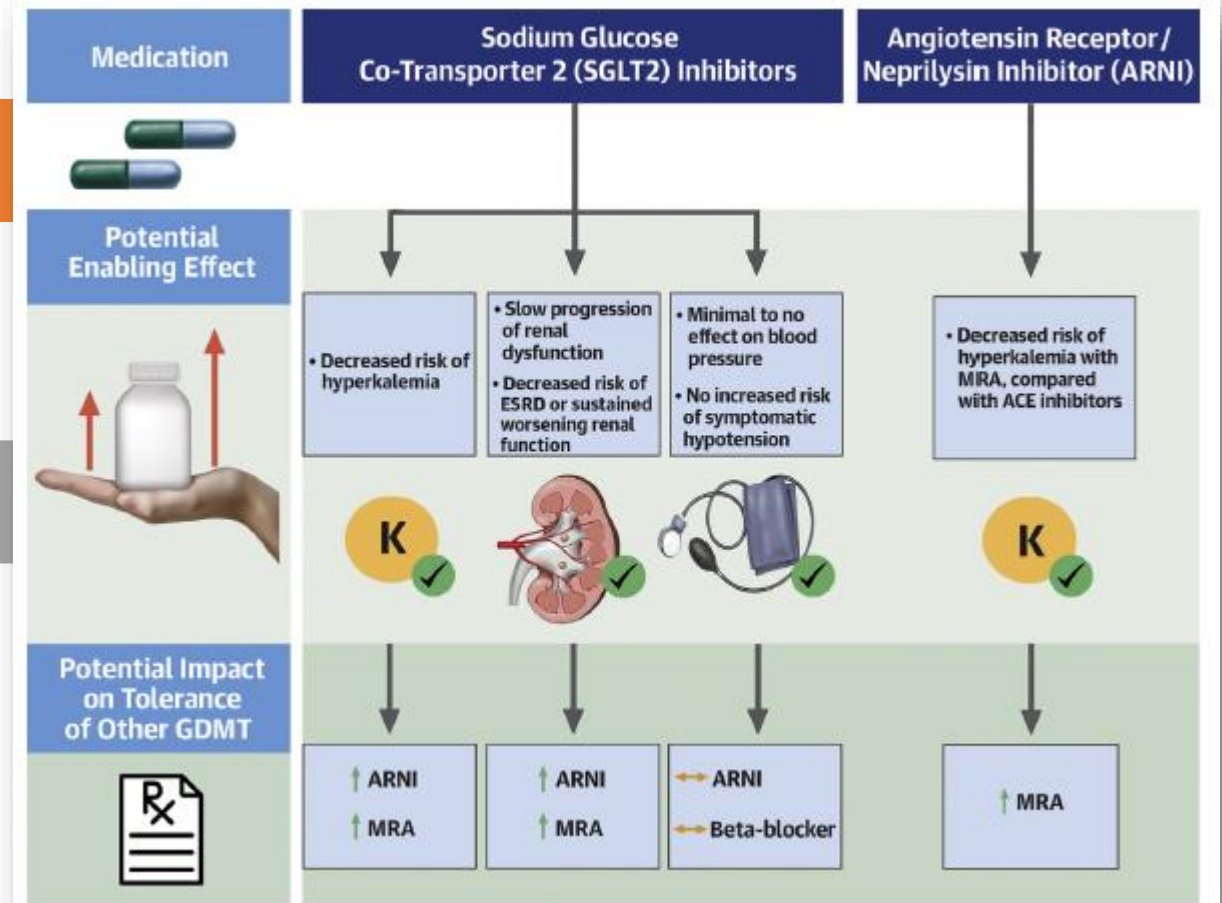
New Agents Enable Initiation of Other GDMT

SGLT2i

- Reduction in decline in eGFR
- No increase in hyperkalemia
- Less MRA discontinuation

ARNi

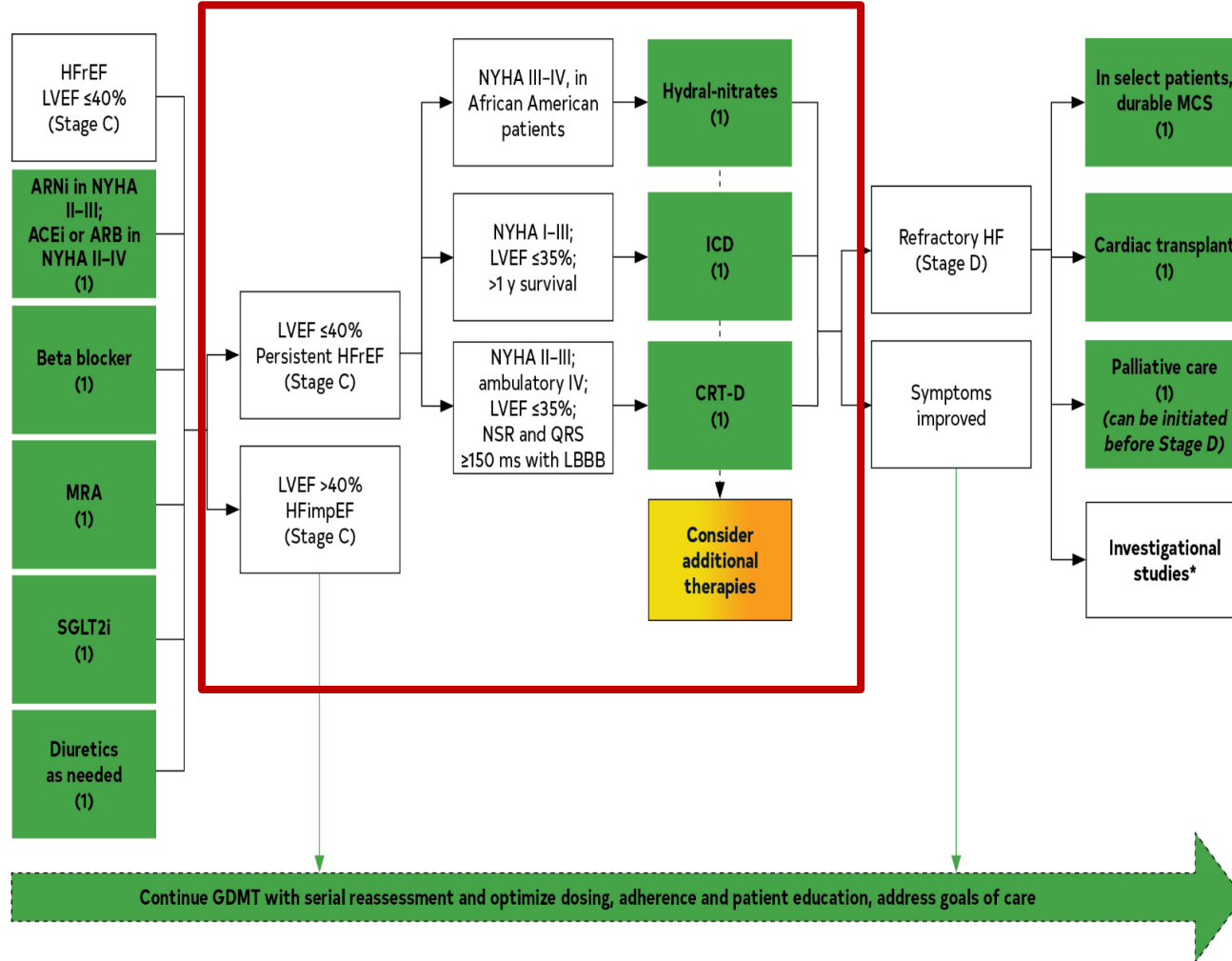
- Lower K levels or hyperkalemia
- Reduction in decline in eGFR



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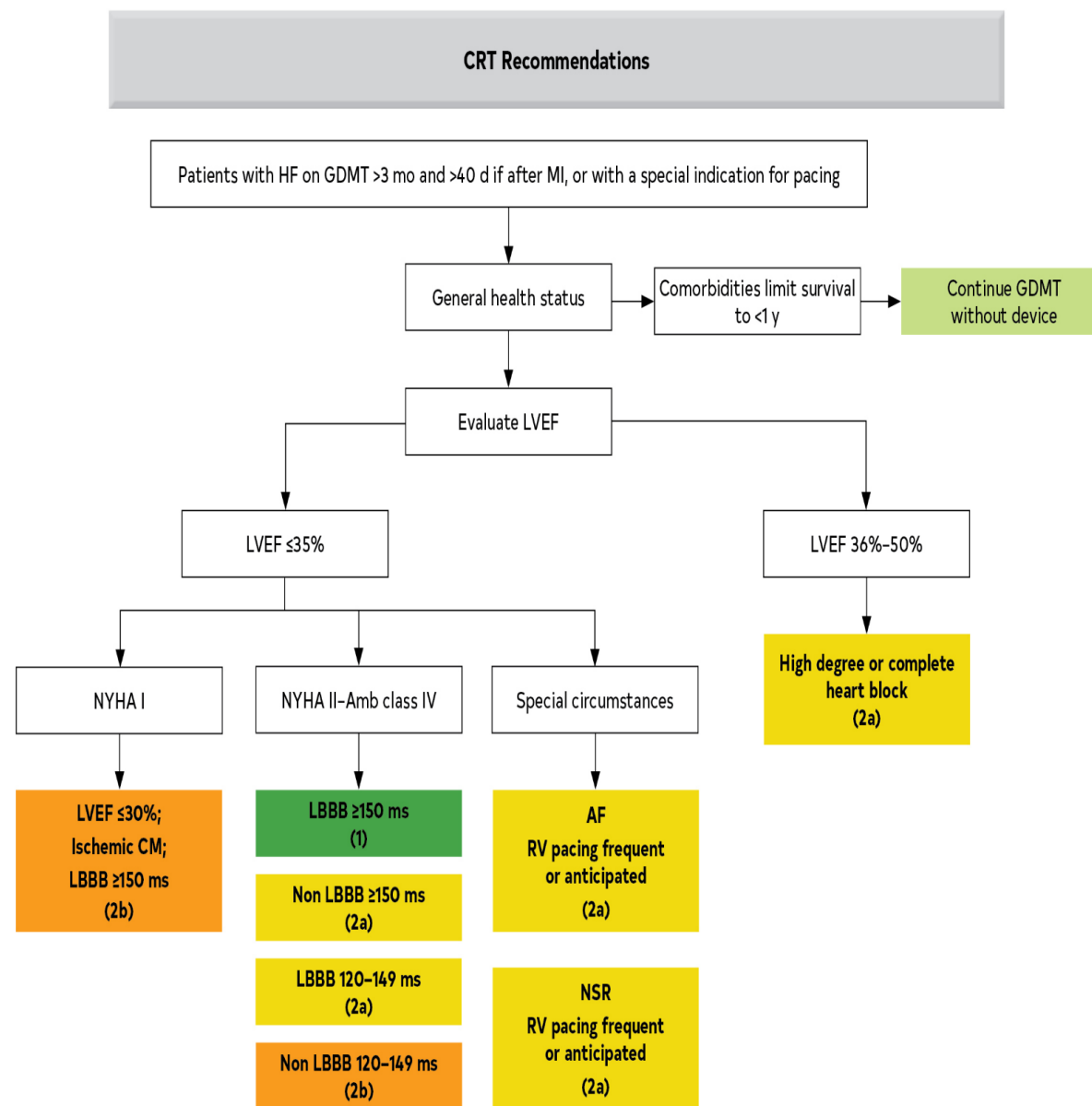
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STEPS 3&4



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Algorithm for CRT Indications in Patients With Cardiomyopathy or HFrEF

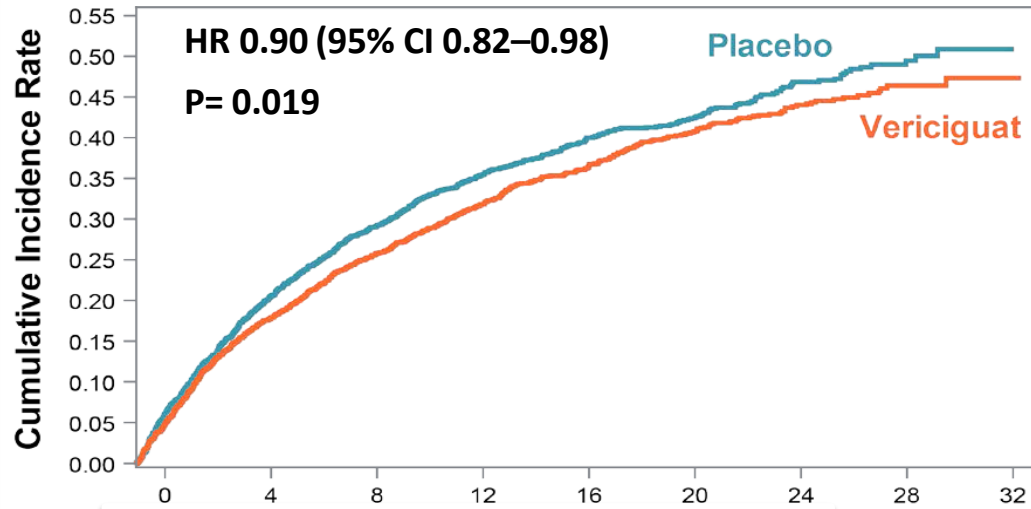


Additional Therapies in HFrEF

Vericiguat and Omecamtiv (not FDA approved)

Primary Endpoint: CV Death or HFH

VICTORIA



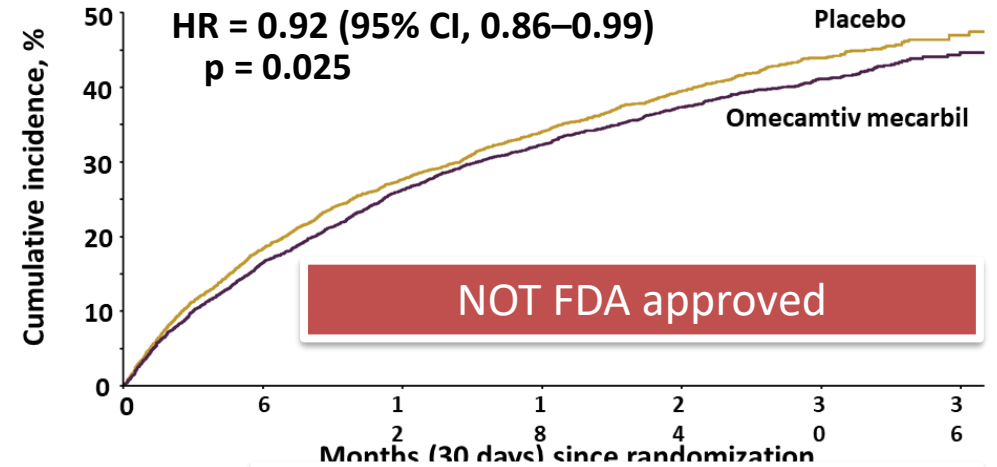
Inclusion:

- NYHA class II-IV, recent HFH/IV Diur
- LVEF < 45%
- NT-proBNP ≥1000 pg/ml*

Exclusion:

- eGFR <15 ml/min/1.73 m²
- SBP <100mmHg

GALACTIC-HF



Inclusion:

- NYHA class II-IV, current HF Hosp or HF Hosp/UC within 1 yr
- LVEF ≤ 35%
- NT-proBNP ≥400 pg/ml*

Exclusion:

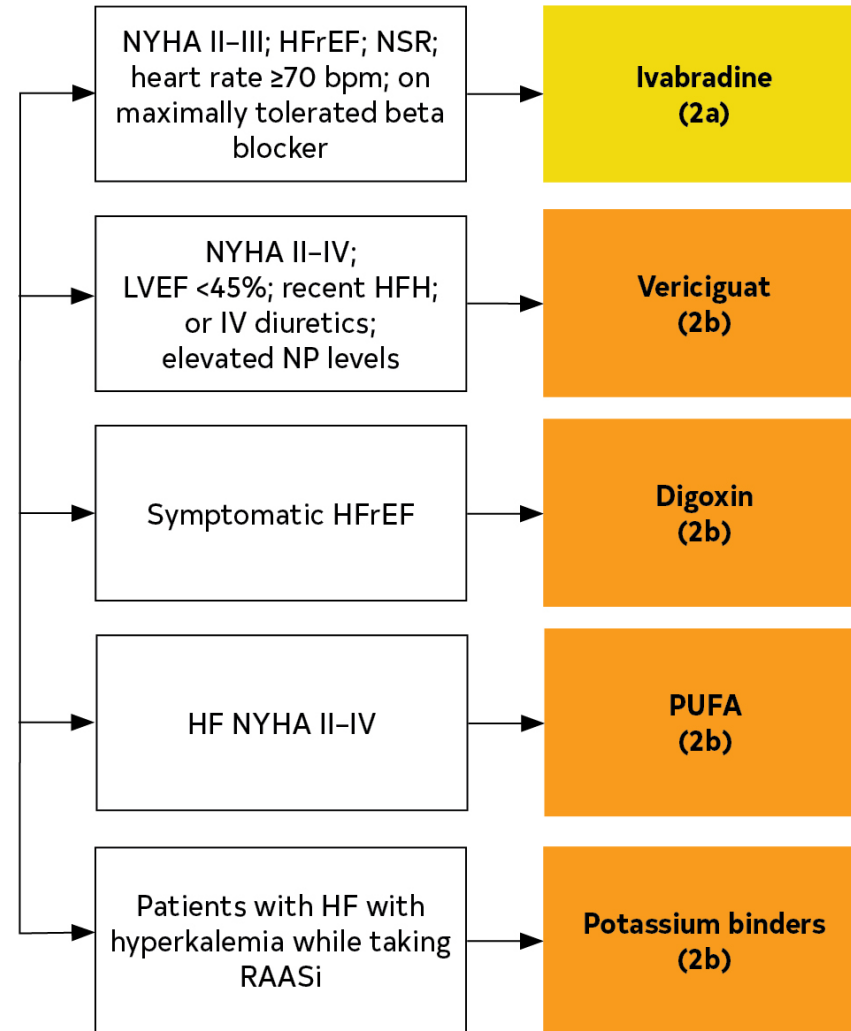
- eGFR <20 ml/min/1.73 m²
- SBP <85 mmHg

NOT FDA approved

No reduction in CV Death

Additional Medical Therapies for Patients With HFrEF

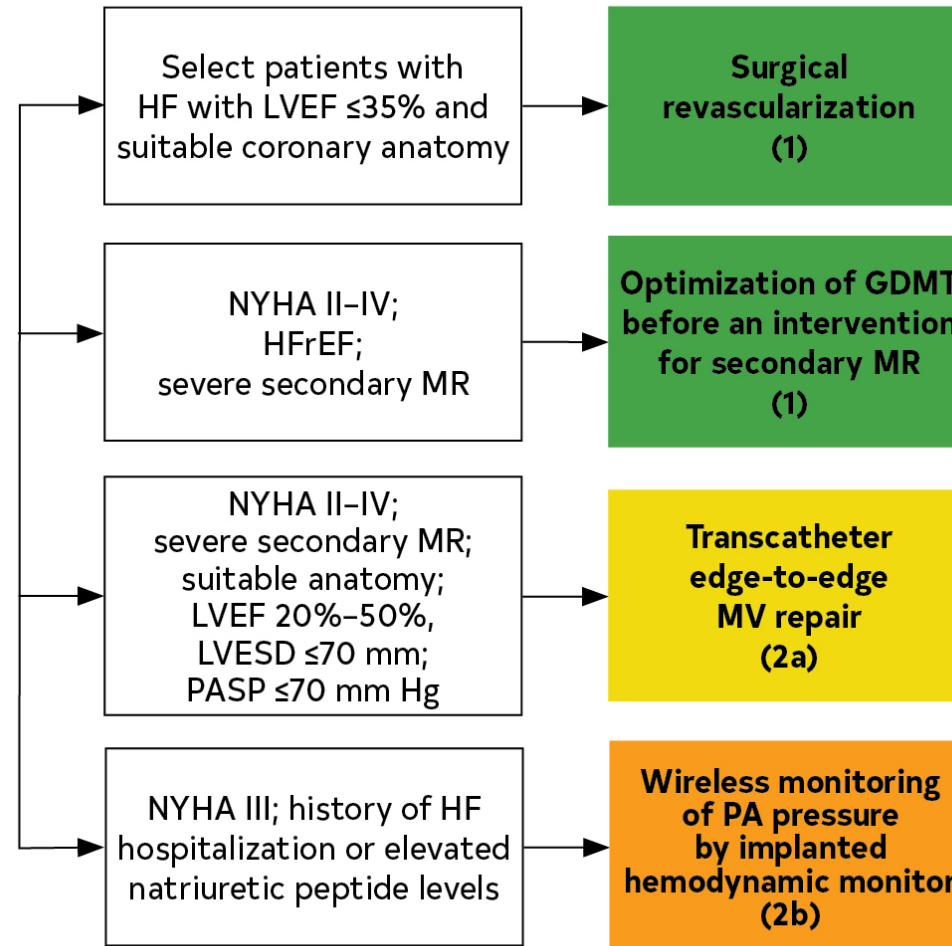
Consider Additional Therapies Once GDMT Optimized



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Additional Device Therapies

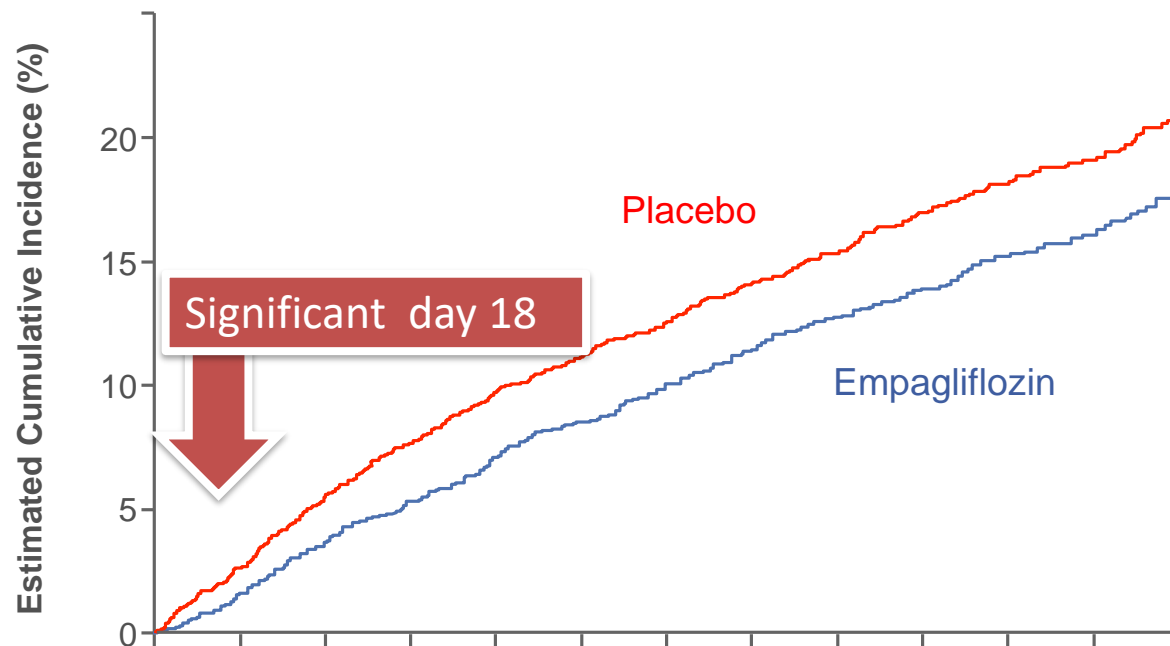


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HFmrEF, HFpEF

HFpEF: EMPEROR-Preserved Trial

~3000 pts NYHA Class II-IV HF, LVEF > 40 % elevated BNP
ARNi (sacubitril valsartan) vs valsartan



HR 0.79

(95% CI 0.69, 0.90)

P = 0.0003

Placebo:

511 patients with event

Rate: 8.7 per 100 patient-years

Empagliflozin:

415 patients with event

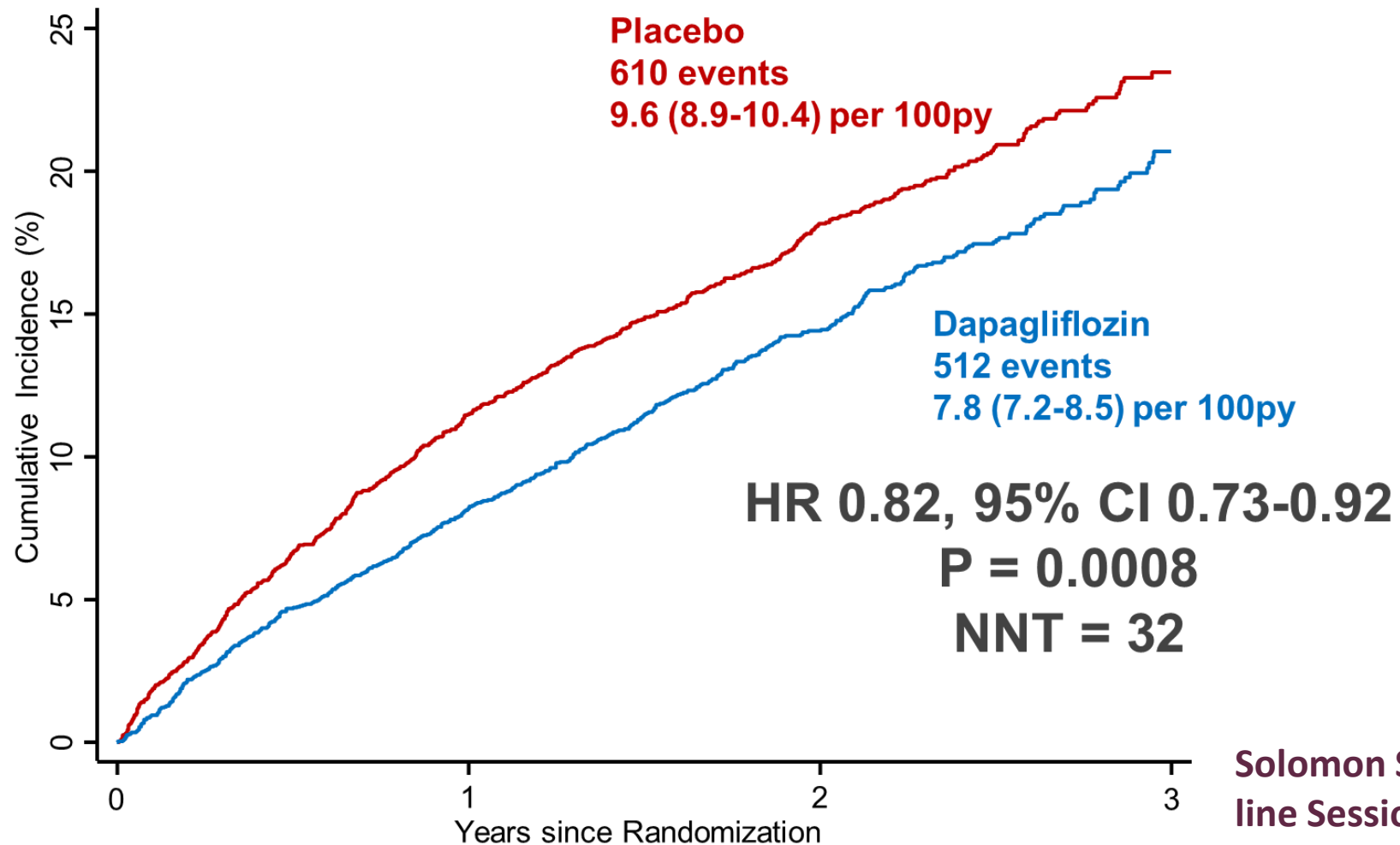
Rate: 6.9 per 100 patient-years

RRR
21%

NNT=31

During a median
trial period of
26 months.

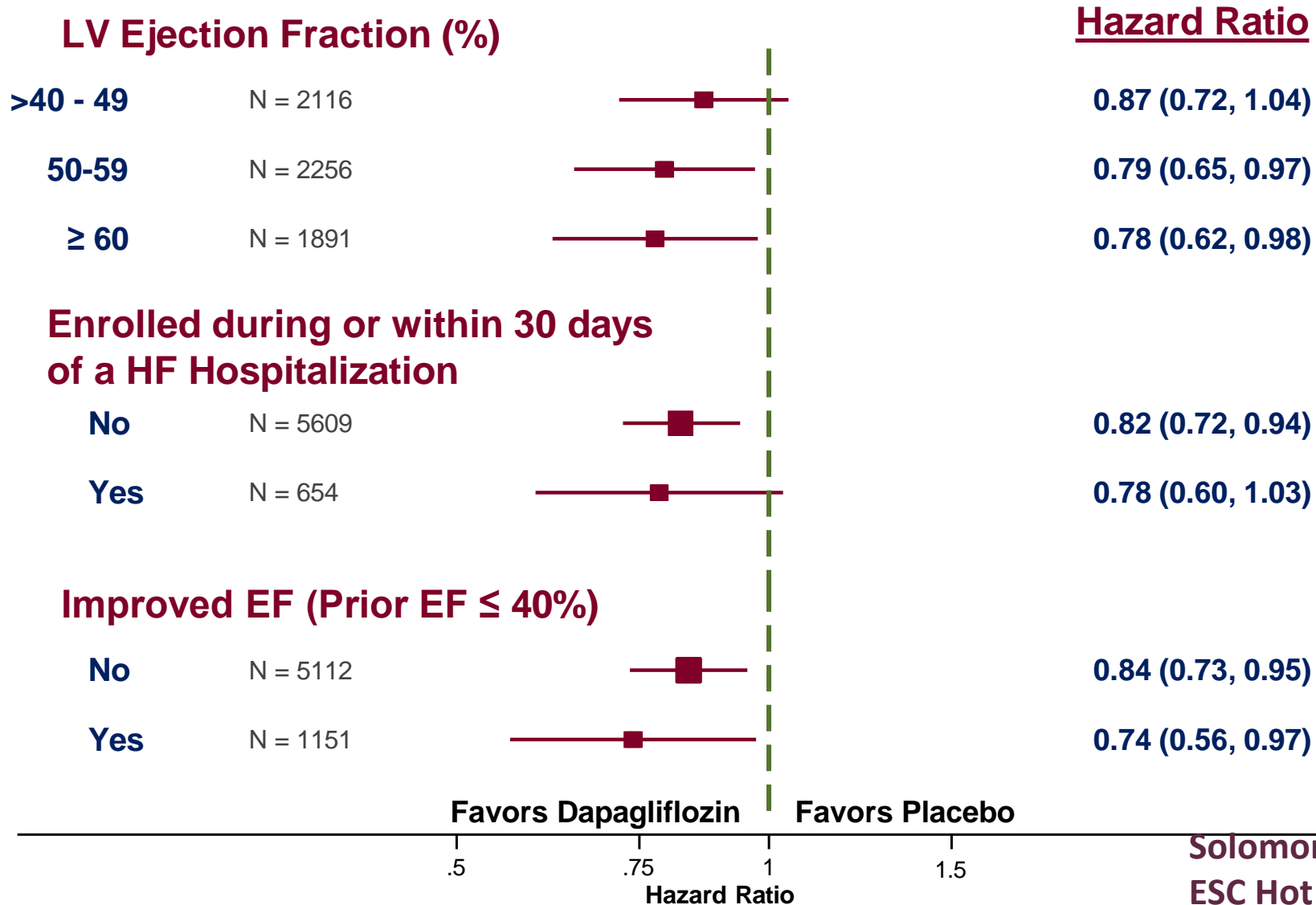
Primary Endpoint: CV Death or Worsening HF



Solomon S. DELIVER ESC Hot line Sessions August 2022

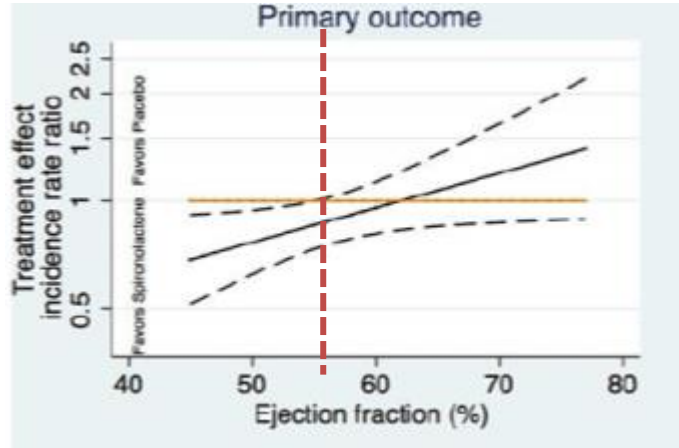
- Largest RCT of well-treated patients with HFmrEF and HFpEF
- broader population including HFimpEF (18%), HFmrEF (34%), LVEF 50-59% (36%), LVEF>60% (30%) and recently hospitalized patients (16% within 3 mo)
- Compared with other recent trials, higher risk: comorbidities, lower LVEF, and higher NT-proBNP levels.

Primary Endpoint in Prespecified Subgroups

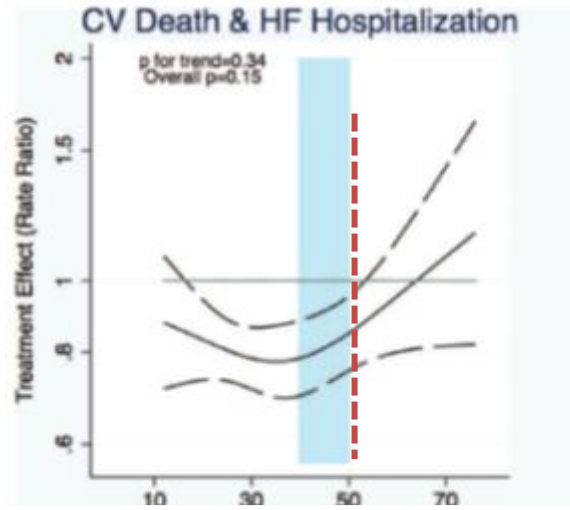


Benefit with ARB, MRA, ARNi, SGLT2i in HFmrEF

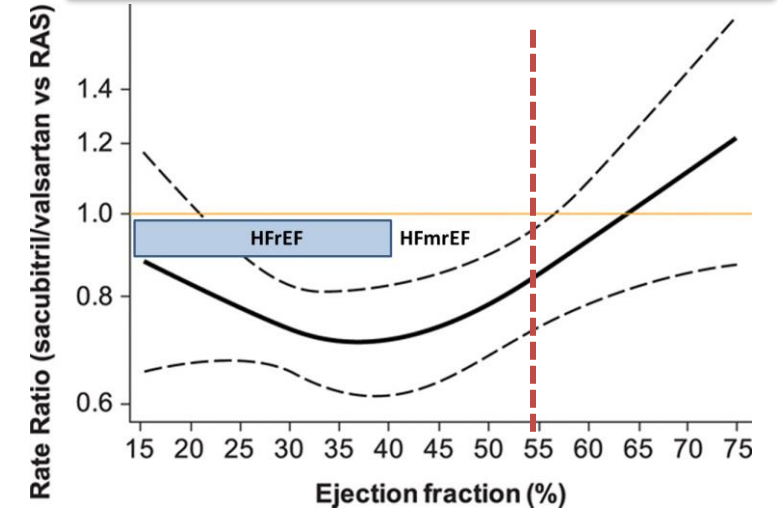
Spironolactone: TOPCAT
Solomon et al, 2016



EJH ARB: CHARM-PRESERVED
Lund L et al, EJHF, 2018

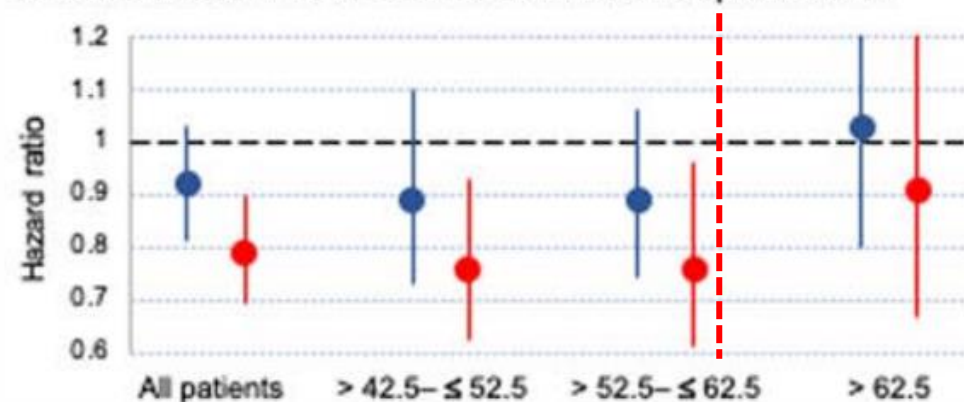


ARNi: PARAGON-HF.
Solomon et al, Circulation, 2020

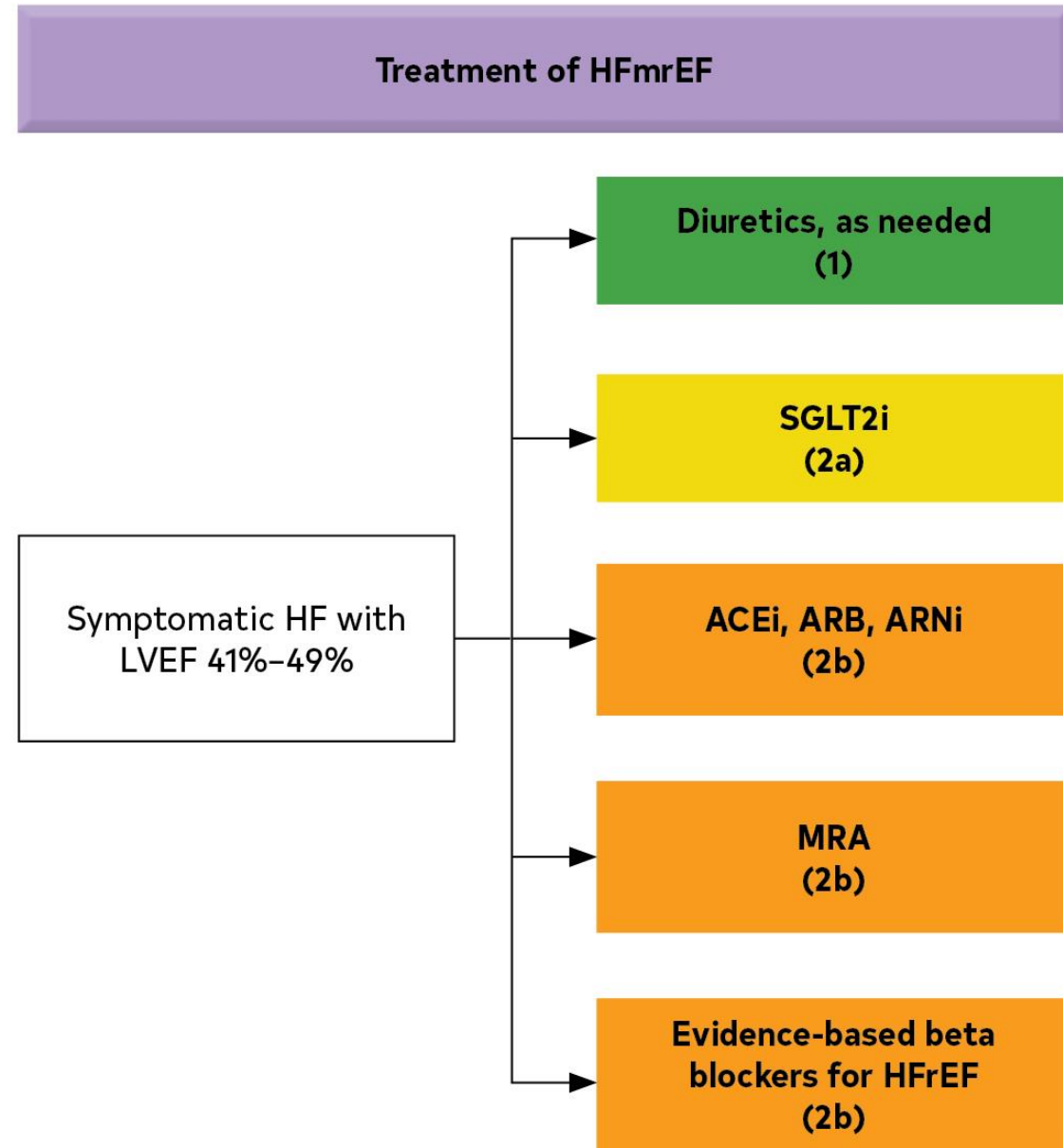


EMPEROR PRESERVED and PARAGON
Packer Circulation. 2021;143:337–349

Cardiovascular death and heart failure hospitalization



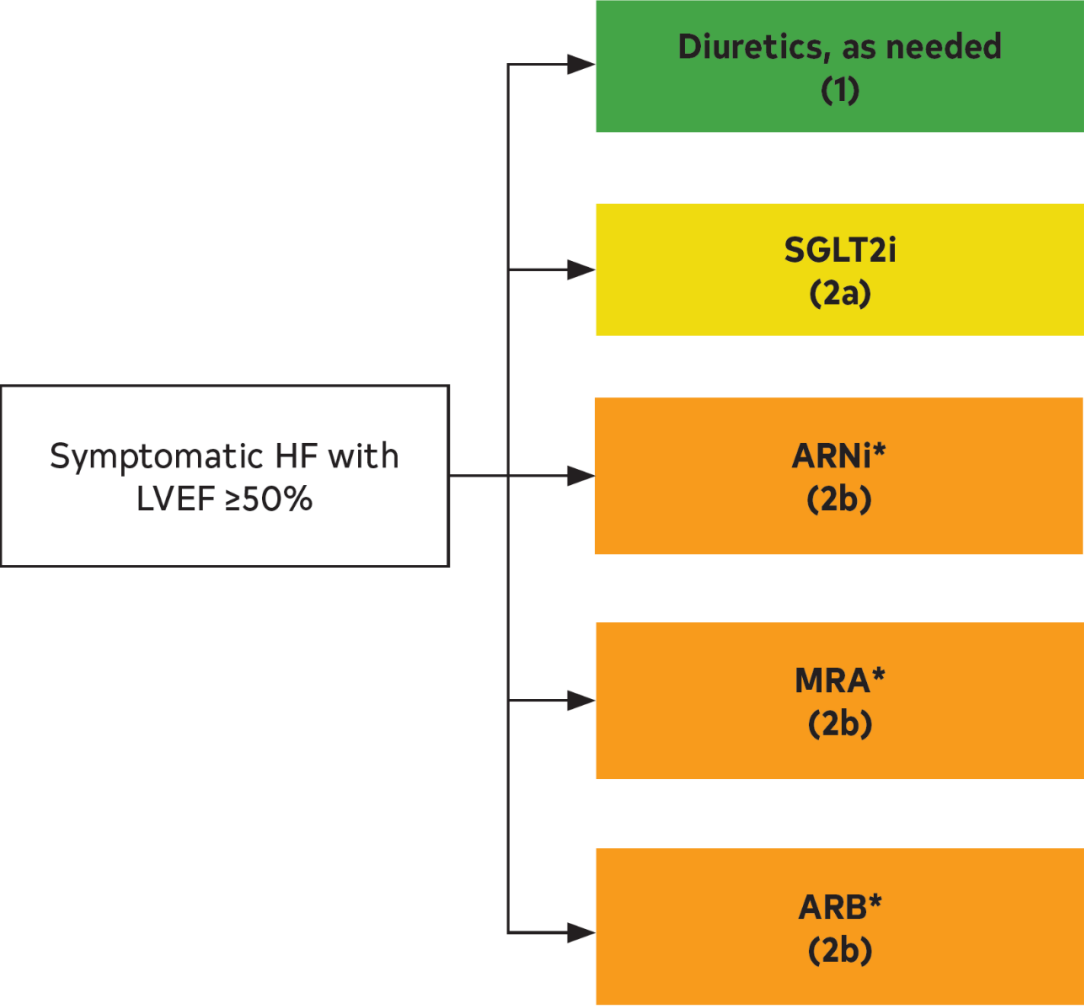
Recommendations for Patients With Mildly Reduced LVEF (41%–49%)



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Treatment of HFpEF

Recommendations for Patients With Preserved LVEF ($\geq 50\%$)



Medication recommendations for HFpEF are displayed.

*Greater benefit in patients with LVEF closer to 50%.

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HFimpEF

TRED-HF Trial Conclusions

- Withdrawal of pharmacological HF therapy from patients deemed to have recovered DCM resulted in relapse in ~40% of cases
- Improvement in function represents *remission* rather than *permanent recovery* for many patients

HF With improved Ejection Fraction

Recommendation for HF With Improved Ejection Fraction

Referenced studies that support the recommendation are summarized in the Online Data Supplements.

COR	LOE	Recommendation
1	B-R	<p>1. In HFimpEF after treatment, GDMT should be continued to prevent relapse of HF and LV dysfunction, even in patients who may become asymptomatic.</p>

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Hospitalized HF Patients

Maintenance or Optimization of GDMT During Hospitalization

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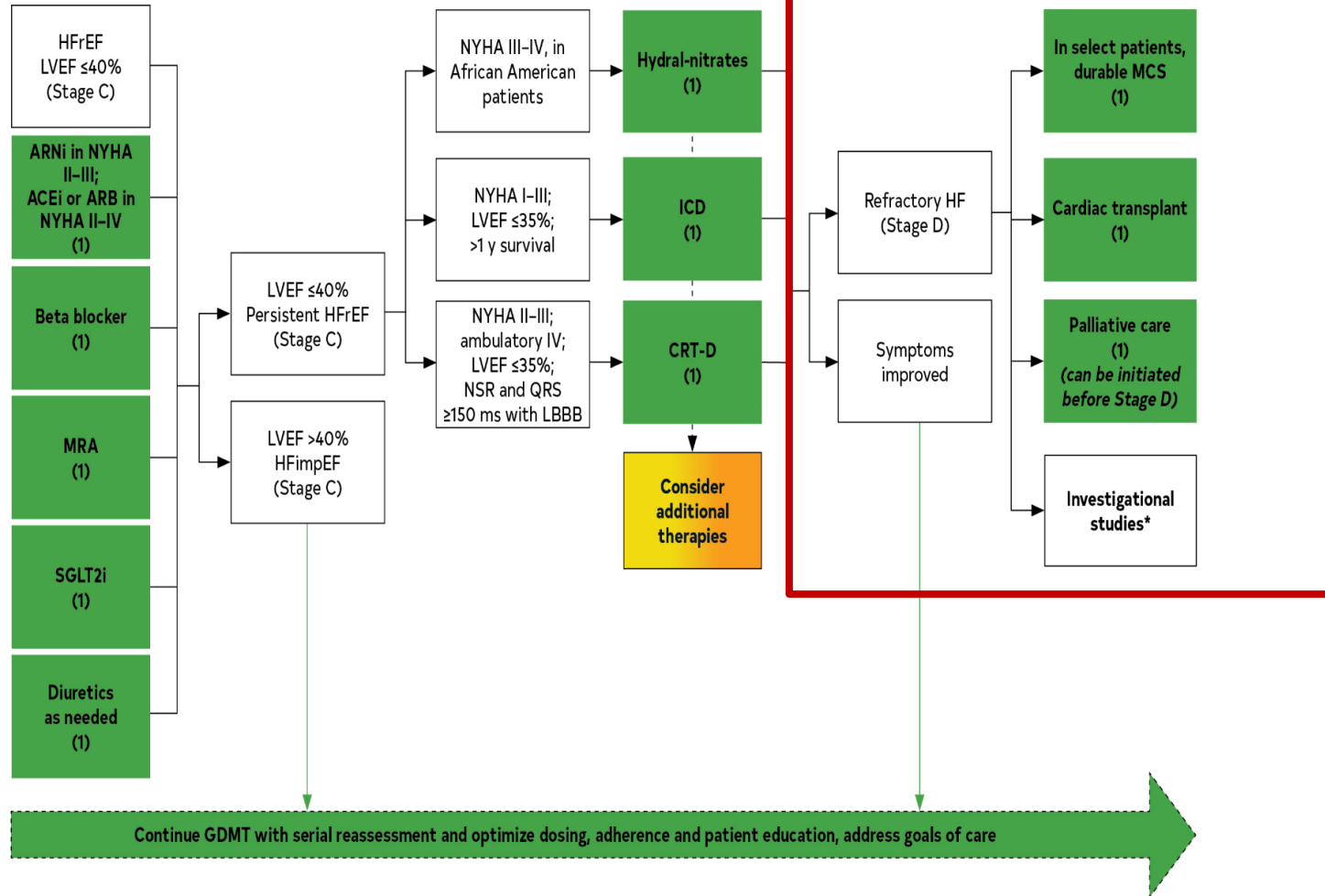
COR	LOE	Recommendations
1	B-NR	1. In patients with HFrEF requiring hospitalization, <u>preexisting GDMT should be continued and optimized</u> to improve outcomes, unless contraindicated.
1	B-NR	2. In patients experiencing mild decrease of renal function or asymptomatic reduction of blood pressure during HF hospitalization, diuresis and other <u>GDMT should not routinely be discontinued</u> .
1	B-NR	3. In patients with HFrEF, GDMT should be initiated during hospitalization after clinical stability is achieved.
1	B-NR	4. In patients with HFrEF, if discontinuation of GDMT is necessary during hospitalization, <u>it should be reinitiated and further optimized</u> as soon as possible.

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Advanced HF Patients

Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6
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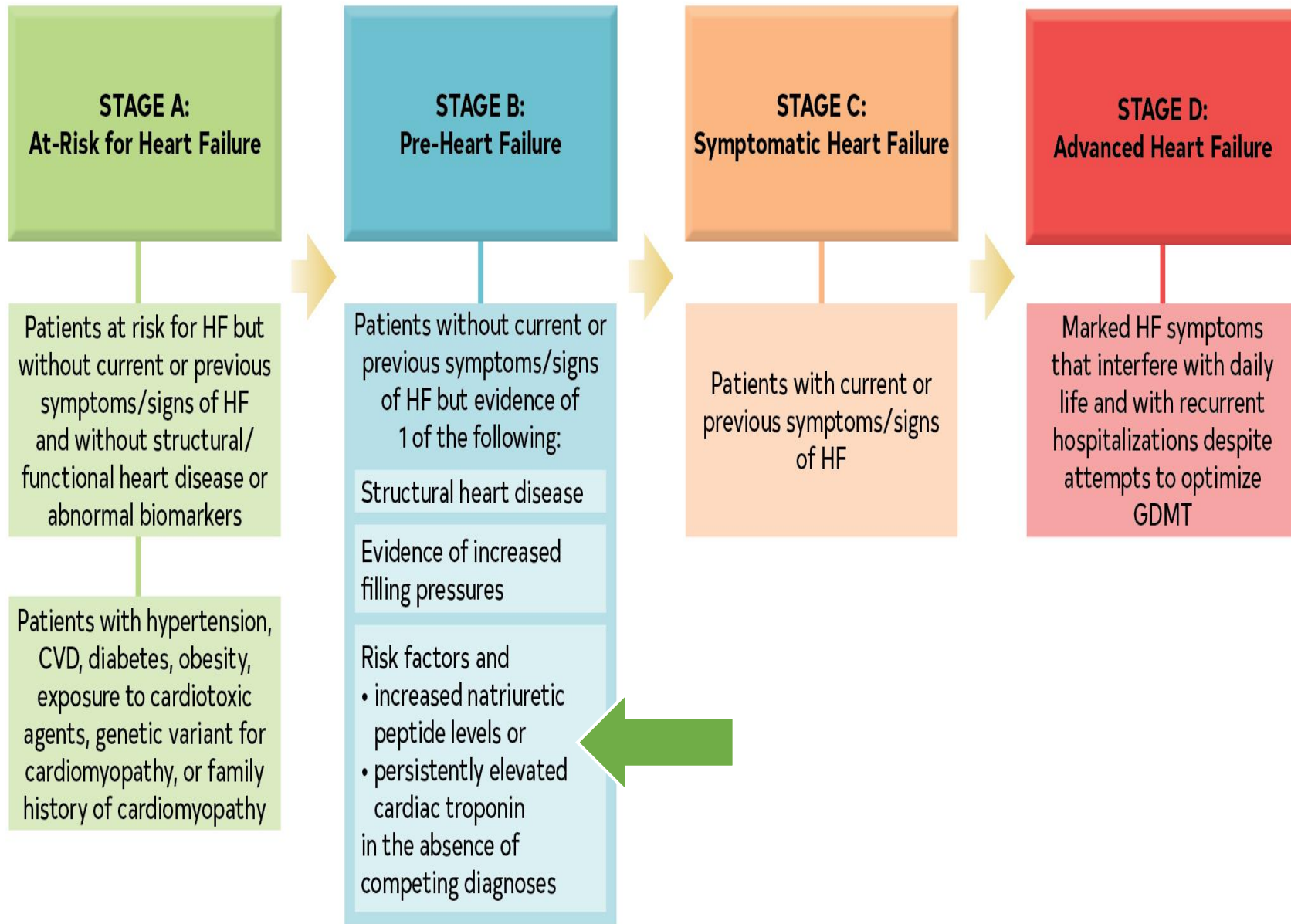
Treatment of HFrEF Stage D



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At-Risk for HF (Stage A)
Pre-HF (Stage B)

ACC/AHA Stages of HF



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Guideline Directed Medical Therapy Across Heart Failure Stages

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GDMT of major medication classes	Stage A	Stage B	Stage C & D		
	At-Risk for Heart Failure	Pre-Heart Failure	Stage C: Symptomatic Heart Failure & Stage D: Advanced Heart Failure		
			HFREF LVEF ≤40%	HFmrEF LVEF 41-49%	HFpEF LVEF ≥50%
	SGLT2i in pts with DM (1)	SGLT2i in pts with DM (1)	ARNi in NYHA II-III; ACEi or ARB in NYHA II-IV (1)	Diuretics, as needed (1)	Diuretics, as needed (1)
		ACEi (1)	Beta blocker (1)	SGLT2i (2a)	SGLT2i (2a)
		ARB if ACEi intolerant (1)	MRA (1)	ACEi, ARB, ARNi (2b)	ARNi (2b)
		Beta blocker (1)	SGLT2i (1)	MRA (2b)	MRA (2b)
			Diuretics, as needed (1)	Beta blocker (2b)	ARB (2b)
			Hydral-nitrates for NYHA III-IV, in African American pts (1)		
Additional Medical Therapies once GDMT optimized	Optimal control of BP (1)	Optimal control of BP (1)	Ivabradine (2a)		
	Optimal management of CVD (1)	Optimal management of CVD (1)	Vericiguat (2b)		
			Digoxin (2b)		
			PUFA (2b)		
			Potassium binders (2b)		



STOP- HF Trial RCT (n=1374)

BNP testing baseline & annually

**INTERVENTION
(KNOW BNP)**

**CONTROL
(NO KNOWLEDGE OF BNP)**

BNP \geq 50 ng/L

BNP $<$ 50 ng/L

CV referral, cardiologist led W/U & **team management**

Same as control

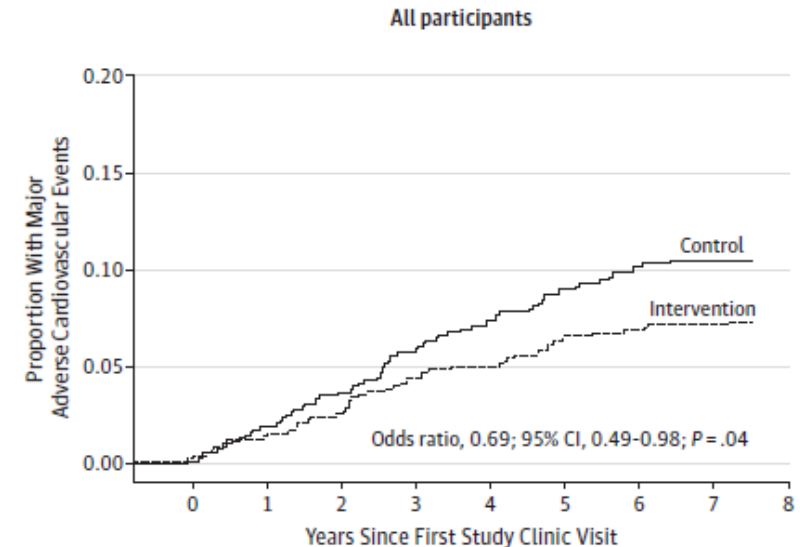
Doppler Echocardiography

Risk factor management, coaching by specialist nurse on adherence, LSM

Collaborative care, annual specialized CV review

Repeat echocardiography, BNP, other

STOP HF



Ledwidge et al. JAMA. 2013 Jul 3;310(1):66-74.

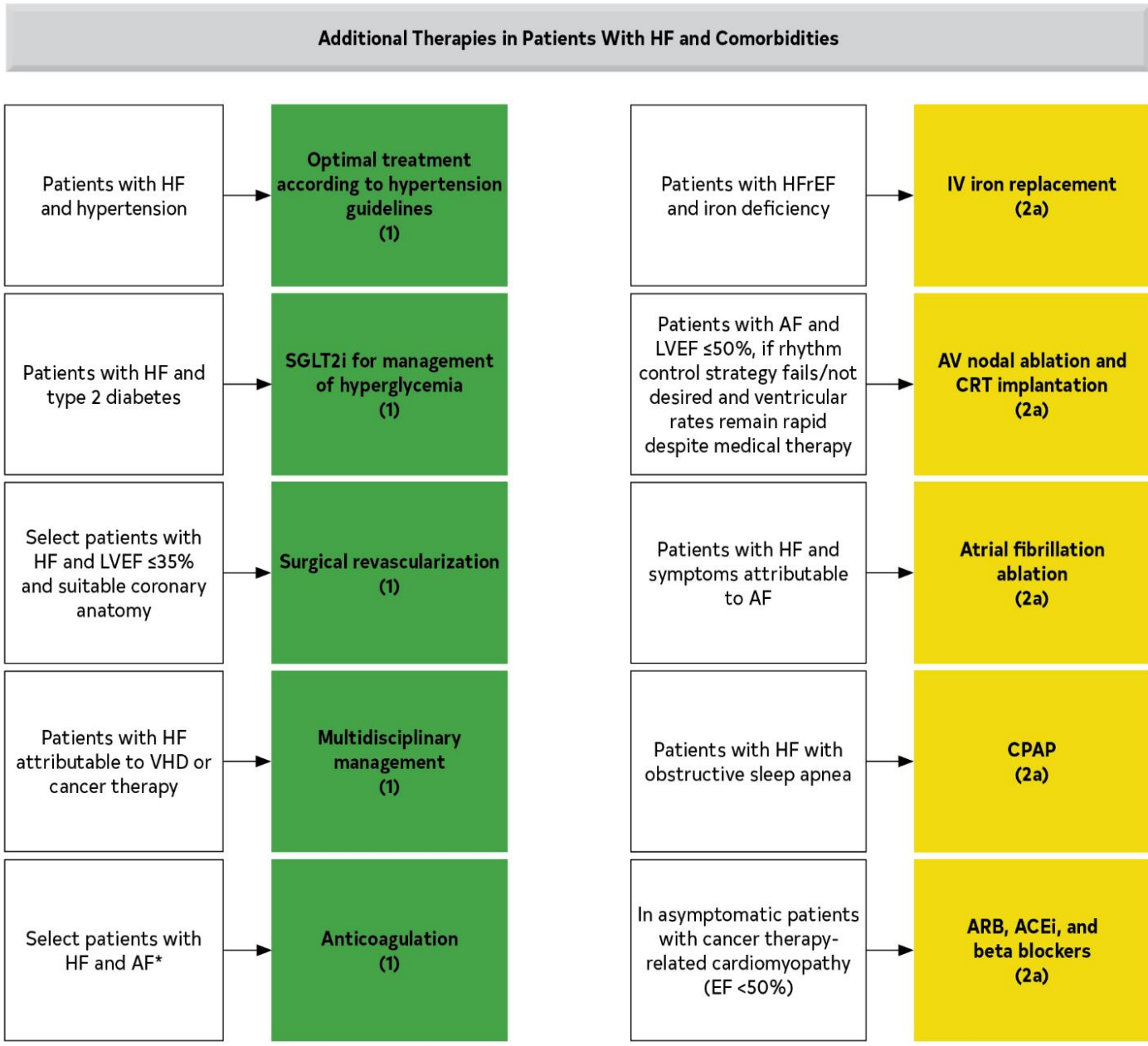
Patients at Risk for HF (Stage A: Primary Prevention) (con't.)

2a	B-R	<p>4. For patients at risk of developing HF, <u>natriuretic peptide biomarker-based screening</u> followed by team-based care, including a cardiovascular specialist optimizing GDMT, can be useful to prevent the development of LV dysfunction (systolic or diastolic) or new-onset HF.</p>
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Treatment of Comorbidities in HF

Recommendations for Treatment of Patients With HF and Selected Comorbidities

In addition to optimized GDMT



Summary: 2022 HF Guidelines

	COR	LOE	
HFrEF	1	A	In patients with HFrEF, ARNi or ACEi/ARB, SGLT2i, BB, MRA are recommended to reduce morbidity and CV mortality
HFmrEF	2a	B-R	In patients with HFmrEF, SGLT2i can be beneficial in decreasing HFH and cardiovascular mortality
	2b	B-NR	Among patients with symptomatic HFmrEF, use of BB, ARNi, ACEi or ARB, and MRAs may be considered to reduce the risk of HFH and CV mortality, particularly among patients with LVEF on the lower end of this spectrum.
HFpEF	2a	B-R	In patients with HFpEF, SGLT2i can be beneficial in decreasing HFH and cardiovascular mortality
	2b	B-NR	In selected patients with HFpEF, MRA, ARB, or ARNi may be considered to decrease hospitalizations particularly among patients with LVEF on the lower end of this spectrum.
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Summary: Treatment Across Stages of HF: At risk, Pre-HF, HF to Advanced HF

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