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Lo scompenso cardiaco e il genere

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Epidemiologia



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*«Lo scompenso cardiaco rappresenta la **prima causa di ricovero in ospedale negli ultrasessantacinquenni**, anche per questo è considerato un problema di salute pubblica di enorme rilievo»*

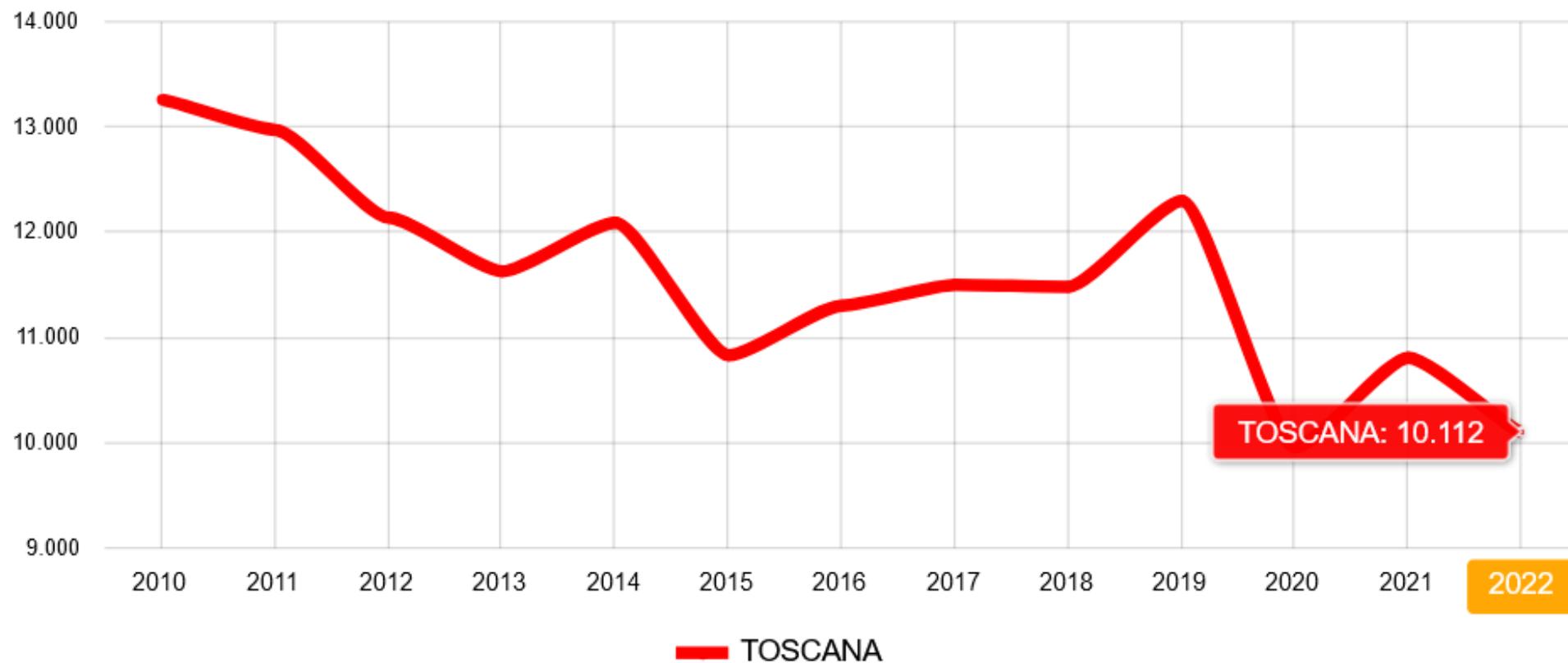
«A soffrire di scompenso cardiaco in Italia sono circa 600.000 persone e si stima che la sua prevalenza raddoppi a ogni decade di età (dopo i 65 anni arriva al 10% circa)»



Scompenso cardiaco: volume di ricoveri - erogazione

Numero - Totale

Fonte: RT Scheda dimissione ospedaliera (SDO)

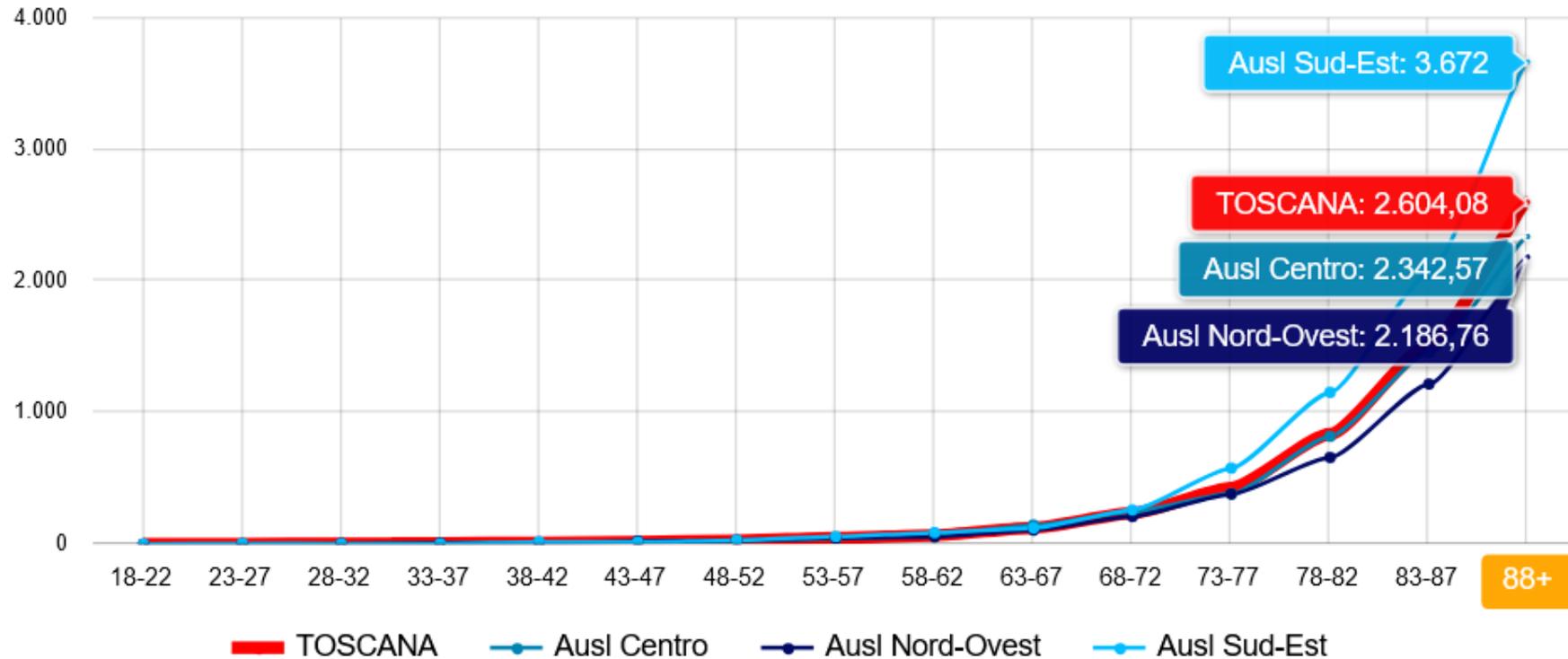




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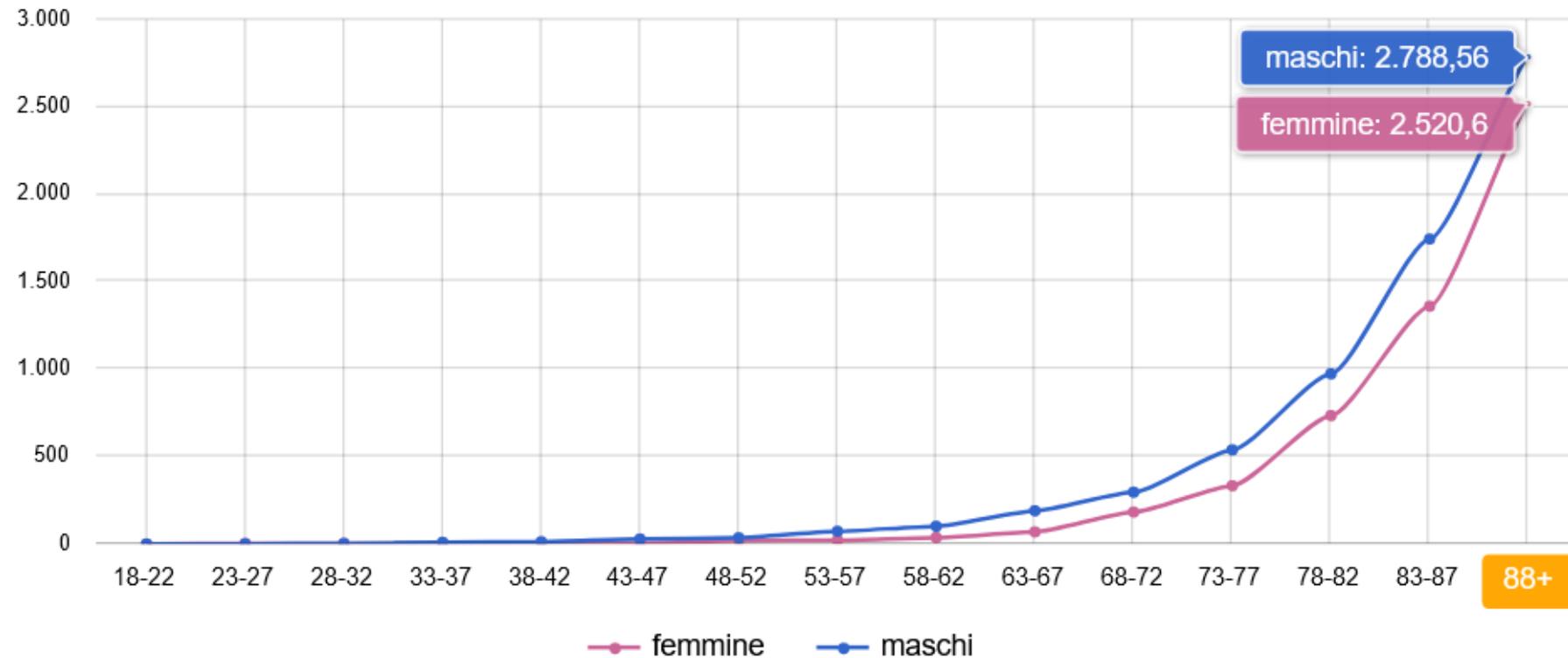




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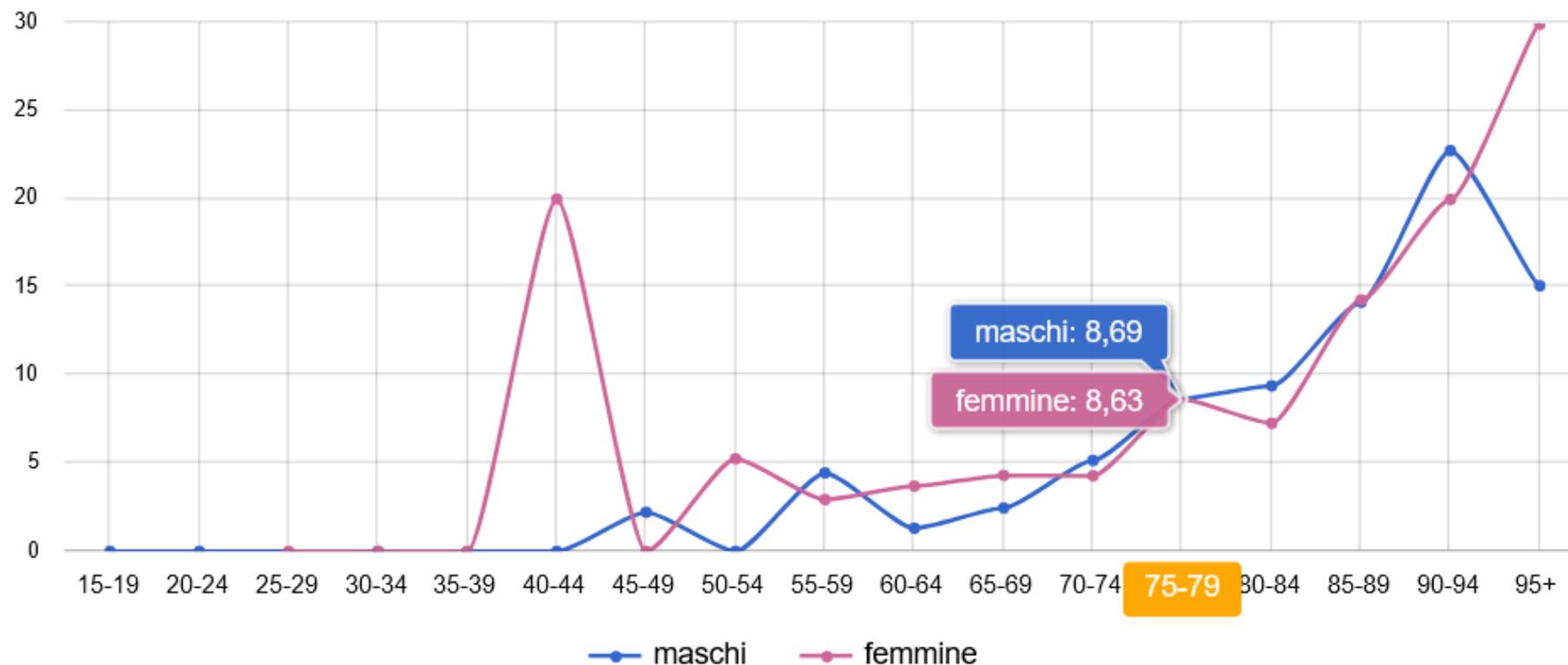




Scompenso Cardiaco Congestizio, rischio di morte a 30g - erogazione

Tasso grezzo - Anno 2022 - Toscana

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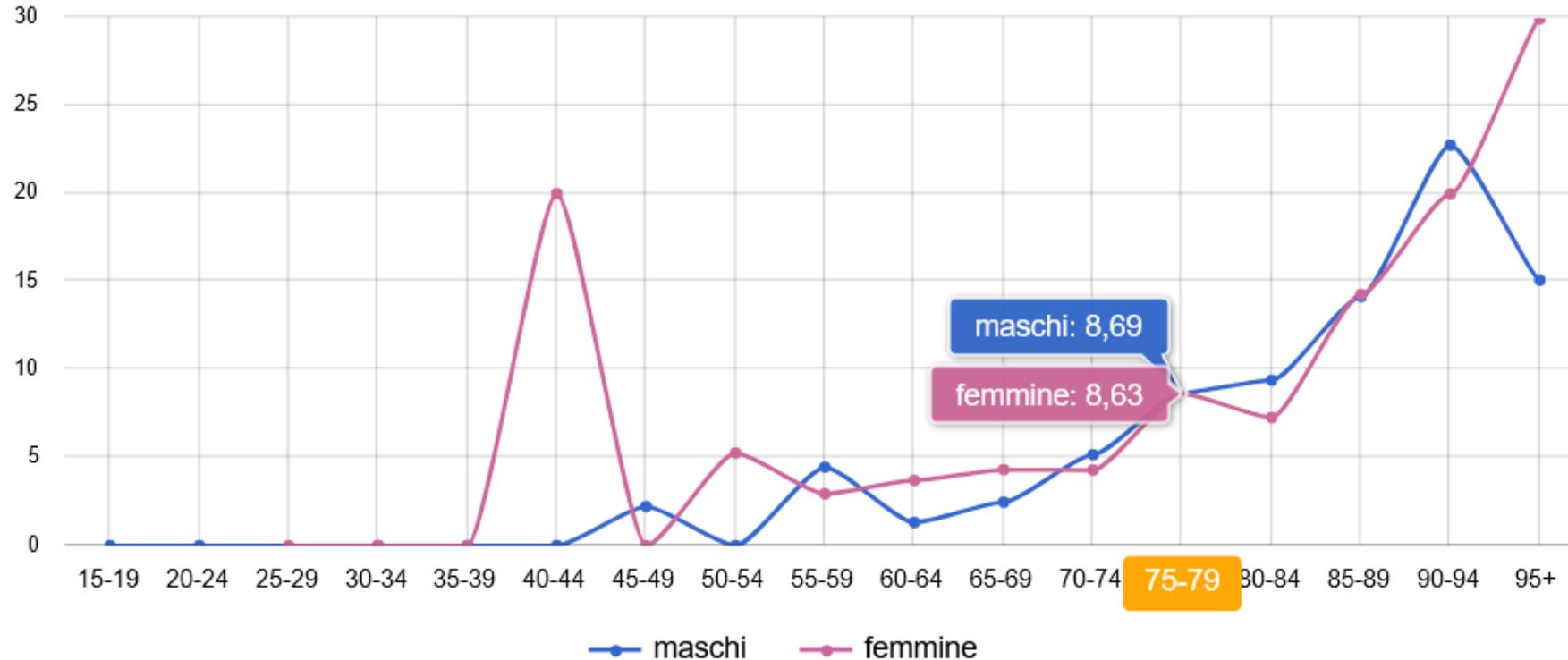




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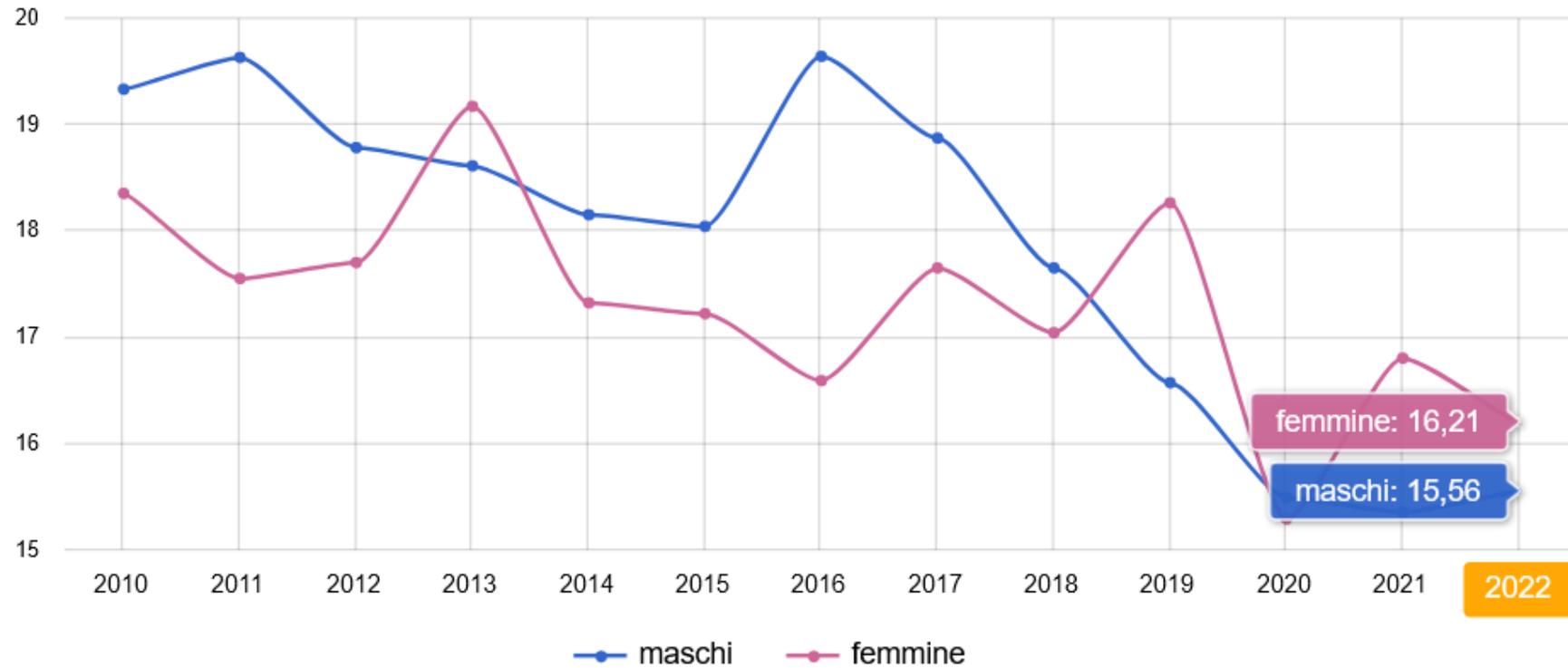




Scompenso Cardiaco Congestizio, rischio di riammissione a 30g - erogazione

Tasso aggiustato (x 100) - Totale - REGIONE TOSCANA

Fonte: RT Scheda dimissione ospedaliera (SDO)



Definizione di insufficienza cardiaca

E' una sindrome clinica composta da:

- sintomi cardinali (ad es. dispnea, gonfiore e affaticamento)
- segni (ad es pressione venosa giugulare, crepitii polmonari e periferica edema).

Anomalia strutturale e/o funzionale del cuore che determina pressioni intracardiache elevate e/o gittata cardiaca inadeguata a riposo e/o durante esercizio.

Dovuto a **disfunzione miocardica: sistolica, diastolica o entrambe.**

La patologia delle valvole, del pericardio e dell'endocardio e le anomalie del ritmo e della conduzione cardiaca possono causare o contribuire all'insufficienza cardiaca



Cause di insufficienza cardiaca

Table 5 Causes of heart failure, common modes of presentation and specific investigations

Cause	Examples of presentations	Specific investigations
CAD	Myocardial infarction Angina or "angina-equivalent" Arrhythmias	Invasive coronary angiography CT coronary angiography Imaging stress tests (echo, nuclear, CMR)
Hypertension	Heart failure with preserved systolic function Malignant hypertension/acute pulmonary oedema	24 h ambulatory BP Plasma metanephrines, renal artery imaging Renin and aldosterone
Valve disease	Primary valve disease e.g. aortic stenosis Secondary valve disease, e.g. functional regurgitation Congenital valve disease	Echo – transoesophageal/stress
Arrhythmias	Atrial tachyarrhythmias Ventricular arrhythmias	Ambulatory ECG recording Electrophysiology study, if indicated
CMPs	All Dilated Hypertrophic Restrictive ARVC Peripartum Takotsubo syndrome Toxins: alcohol, cocaine, iron, copper	CMR, genetic testing Right and left heart catheterization CMR, angiography Trace elements, toxicology, LFTs, GGT
Congenital heart disease	Congenitally corrected/repai red transposition of great arteries Shunt lesions Repaired tetralogy of Fallot Ebstein's anomaly	CMR
Infective	Viral myocarditis Chagas disease HIV Lyme disease	CMR, EMB Serology

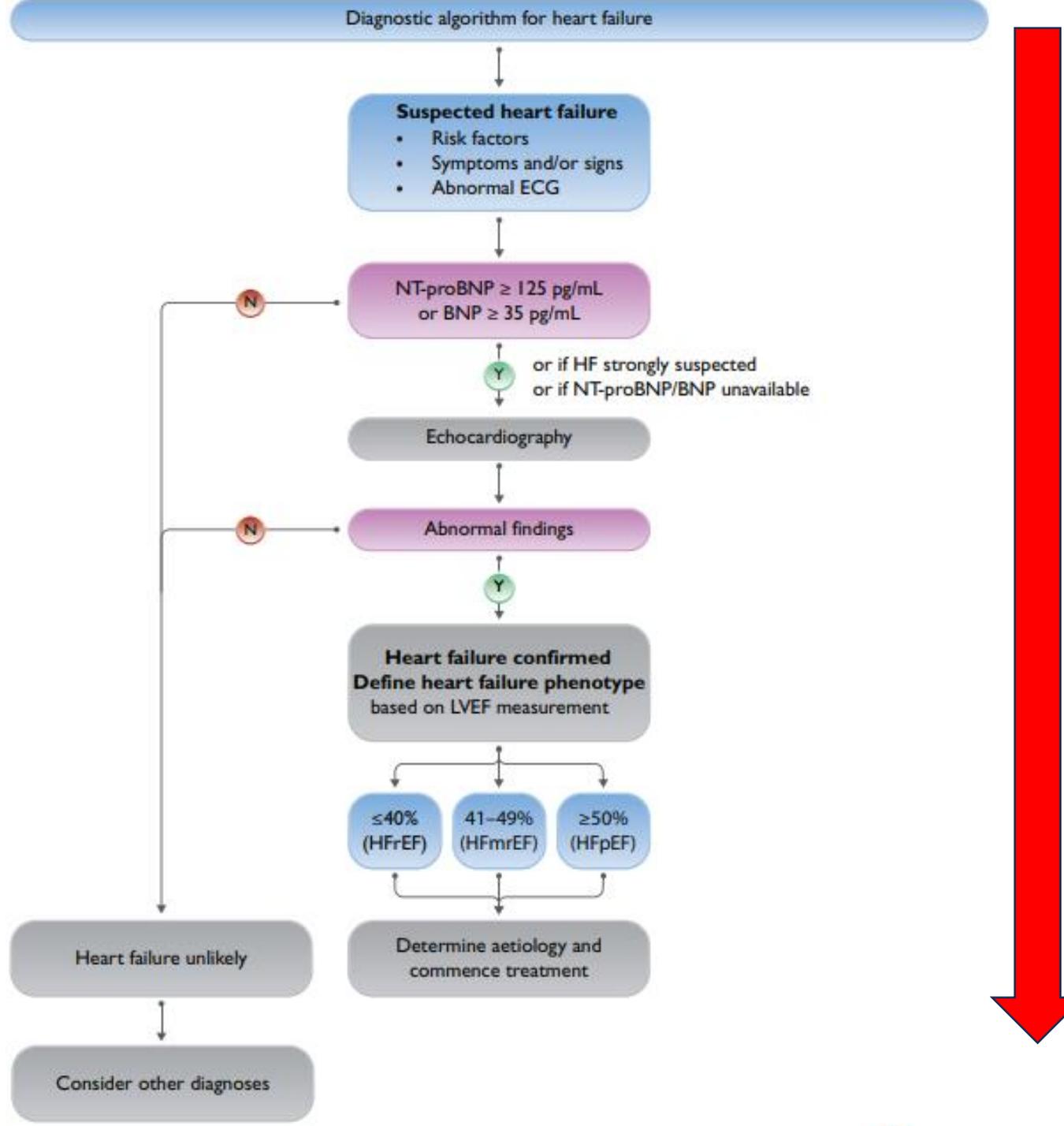
Drug-induced	Anthracyclines Trastuzumab VEGF inhibitors Immune checkpoint inhibitors Proteasome inhibitors RAF+MEK inhibitors	
Infiltrative	Amyloid Sarcoidosis Neoplastic	Serum electrophoresis and serum free light chains, Bence Jones protein, bone scintigraphy, CMR, CT-PET, EMB Serum ACE, CMR, FDG-PET, chest CT, EMB CMR, EMB
Storage disorders	Haemochromatosis Fabry disease Glycogen storage diseases	Iron studies, genetics, CMR (T2* imaging), EMB α -galactosidase A, genetics, CMR (T1 mapping)
Endomyocardial disease	Radiotherapy Endomyocardial fibrosis/eosinophilia Carcinoid	CMR EMB 24 h urine 5-HIAA
Pericardial disease	Calcification Infiltrative	Chest CT, CMR, right and left heart catheterization
Metabolic	Endocrine disease Nutritional disease (thiamine, vitamin B1 and selenium deficiencies) Autoimmune disease	TFTs, plasma metanephrines, renin and aldosterone, cortisol Specific plasma nutrients ANA, ANCA, rheumatology review
Neuromuscular disease	Friedreich's ataxia Muscular dystrophy	Nerve conduction studies, electromyogram, genetics CK, electromyogram, genetics

5-HIAA = 5-hydroxyindoleacetic acid; ACE = angiotensin-converting enzyme; ANA = anti-nuclear antibody; ANCA = anti-nuclear cytoplasmic antibody; ARVC = arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy; BP = blood pressure; CAD = coronary artery disease; CMP = cardiomyopathy; CMR = cardiac magnetic resonance; CK = creatinine kinase; CT = computed tomography; ECG = electrocardiogram; Echo = echocardiography; EMB = endomyocardial biopsy; FDG = fluorodeoxyglucose; GGT = gamma-glutamyl transferase; HIV = human immunodeficiency virus; h = hour; LFT = liver function test; LGE = late gadolinium enhancement; MEK = mitogen-activated protein kinase; PET = positron emission tomography; TFT = thyroid function test; VEGF = vascular endothelial growth factor.



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Signs of Heart Failure and Congestive Heart Failure



Chest pain (especially during exertion)



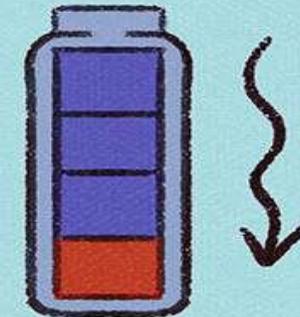
Swelling of legs, hands, and feet

Table 6 Symptoms and signs typical of heart failure

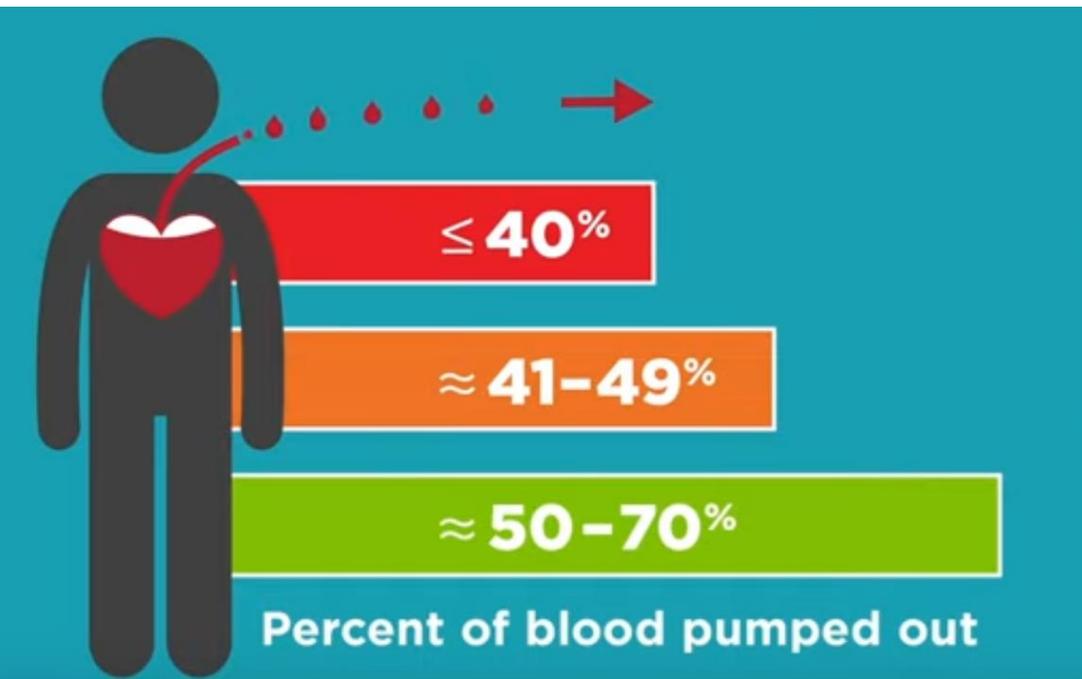
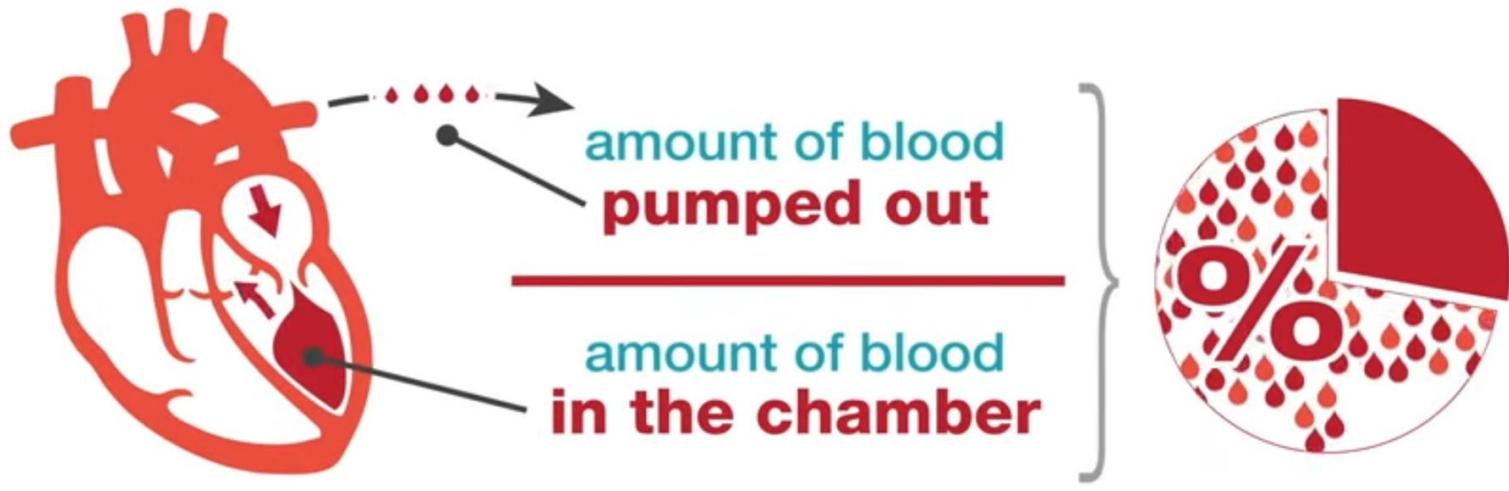
Symptoms	Signs
Typical	More specific
Breathlessness	Elevated jugular venous pressure
Orthopnoea	Hepatojugular reflux
Paroxysmal nocturnal dyspnoea	Third heart sound (gallop rhythm)
Reduced exercise tolerance	Laterally displaced apical impulse
Fatigue, tiredness, increased time to recover after exercise	
Ankle swelling	
Less typical	Less specific
Nocturnal cough	Weight gain (>2 kg/week)
Wheezing	Weight loss (in advanced HF)
Bloated feeling	Tissue wasting (cachexia)
Loss of appetite	Cardiac murmur
Confusion (especially in the elderly)	Peripheral oedema (ankle, sacral, scrotal)
Depression	Pulmonary crepitations
Palpitation	Pleural effusion
Dizziness	Tachycardia
Syncope	Irregular pulse
Bendopnea ^a	Tachypnoea
	Cheyne-Stokes respiration
	Hepatomegaly
	Ascites
	Cold extremities
	Oliguria
	Narrow pulse pressure



Dizziness/ lightheadedness



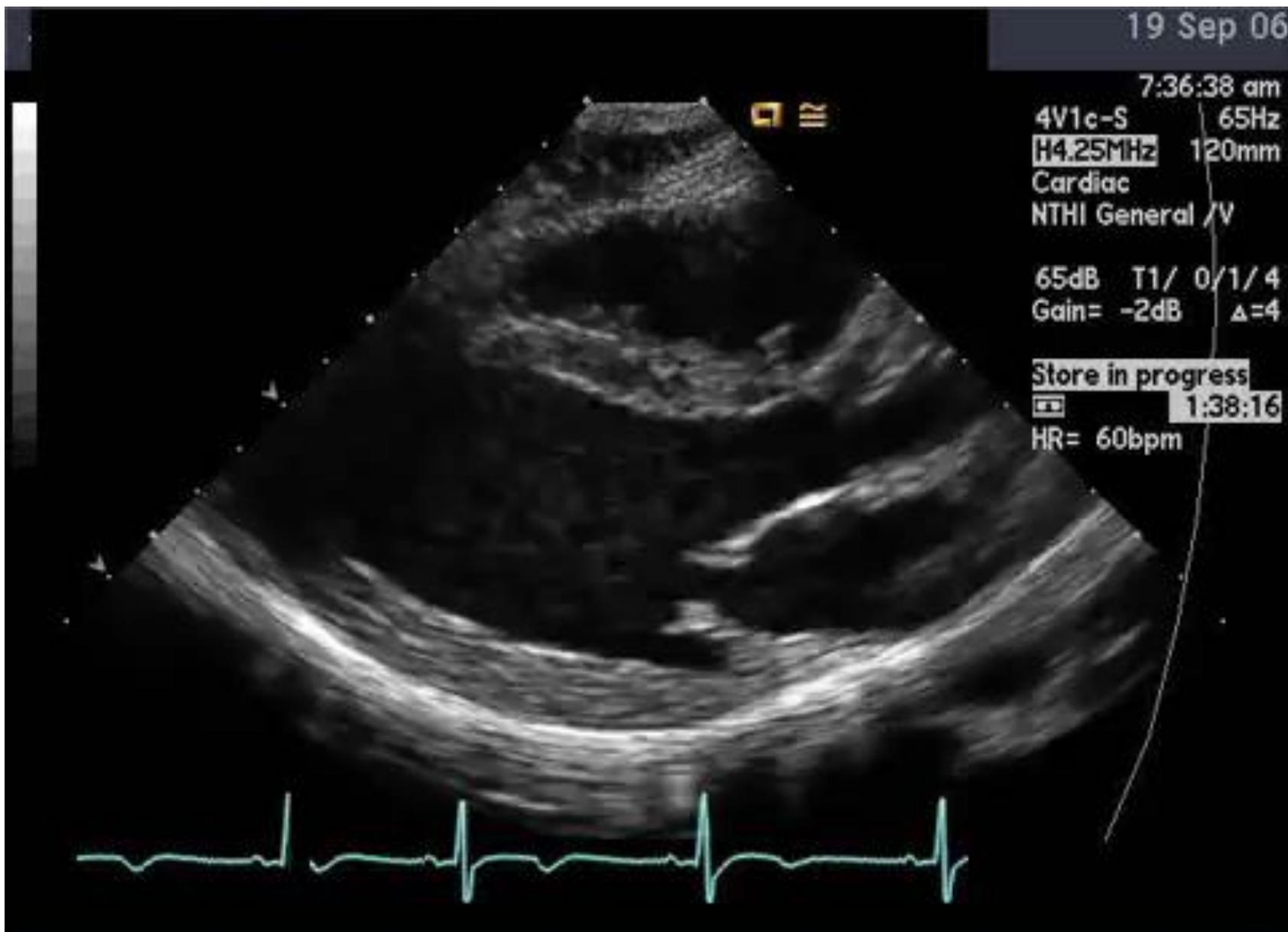
Sudden fatigue or weakness



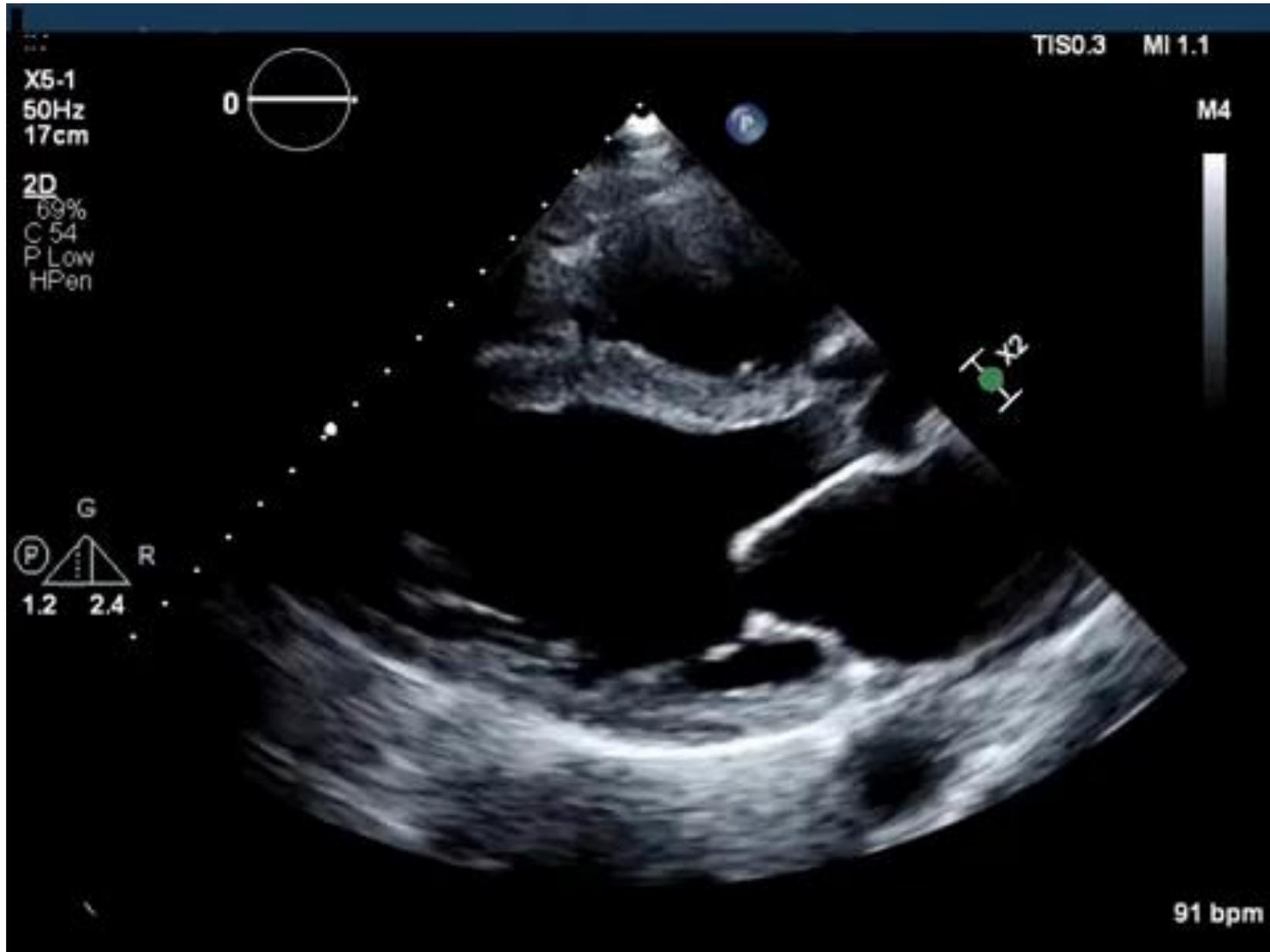
$$EF(\%) = \frac{SV}{EDV} \times 100$$

$$EF(\%) = \frac{70}{120} \times 100 = 58\%$$

Ecocardiogramma normale



Ecocardiogramma disfunzione sistolica



2021 ESC Guidelines for the diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic heart failure

Table 3 Definition of heart failure with reduced ejection fraction, mildly reduced ejection fraction, and preserved ejection fraction

Type of HF		HFrEF	HFmrEF	HFpEF
Criteria	1	Symptoms ± signs ^a	Symptoms ± signs ^a	Symptoms ± signs ^a
	2	LVEF ≤40%	LVEF 41–49% ^b	LVEF ≥50%
	3	–	–	Objective evidence of cardiac structural and/or functional abnormalities consistent with the presence of LV diastolic dysfunction ^c raised LV filling pressures, including raised natriuretic peptides ^c

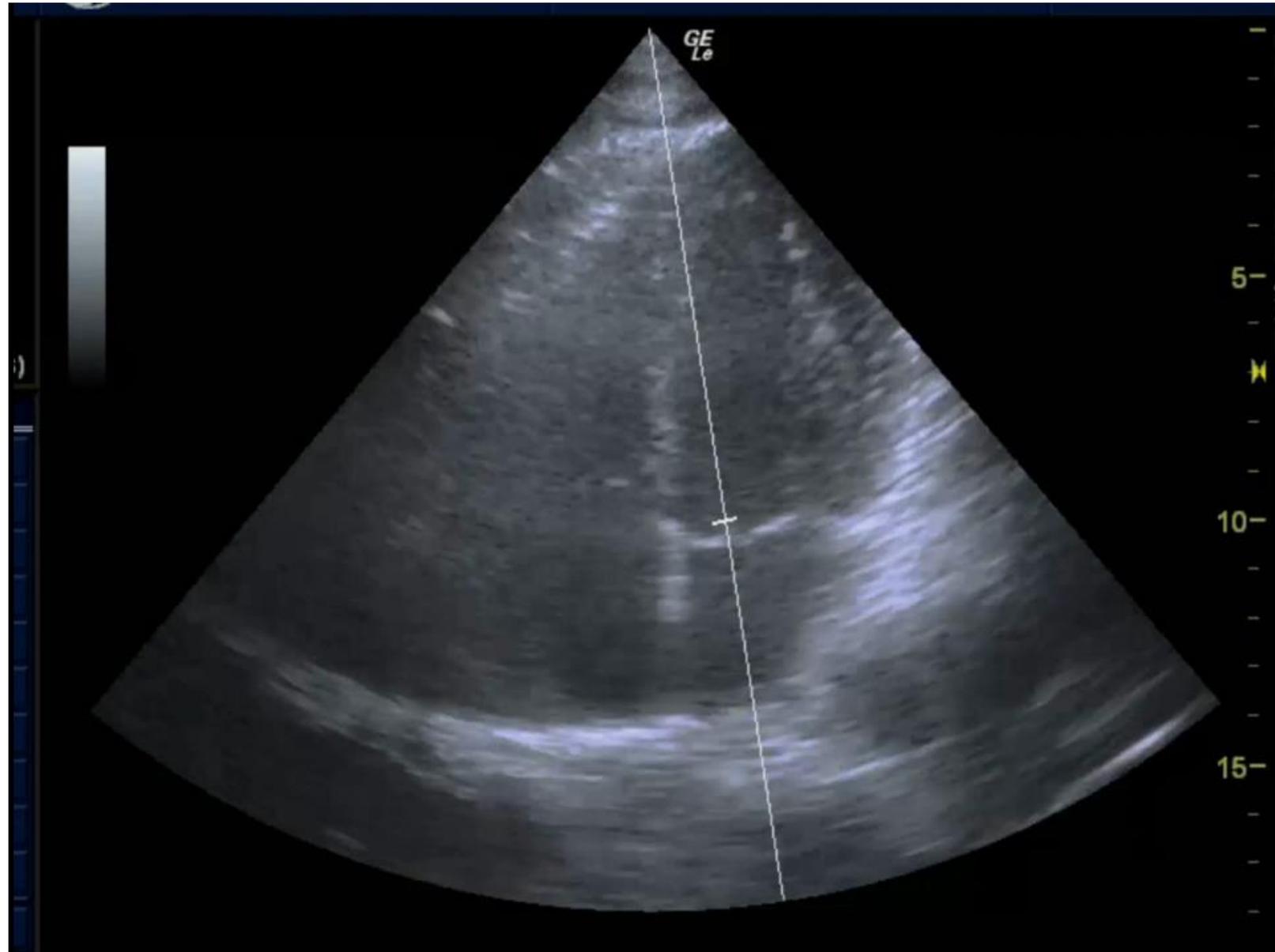
HF, heart failure; HFmrEF, heart failure with mildly reduced ejection fraction; HFpEF, heart failure with preserved ejection fraction; HFrEF, heart failure with reduced ejection fraction; LV, left ventricle; LVEF, left ventricular ejection fraction.

^aSigns may not be present in the early stages of HF (especially in HFpEF) and in optimally treated patients.

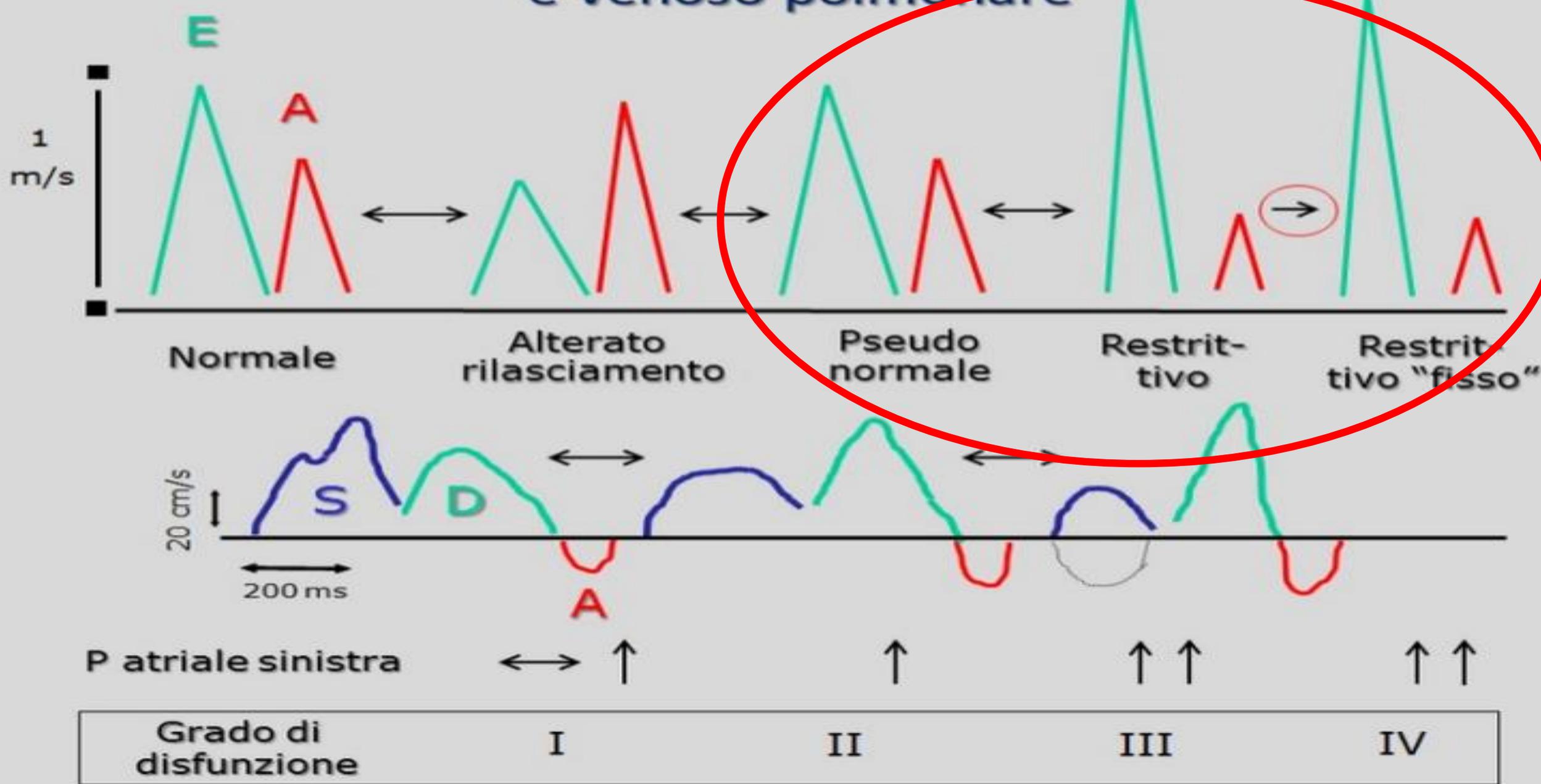
^bFor the diagnosis of HFmrEF, the presence of other evidence of structural heart disease (e.g. increased left atrial size, LV hypertrophy, or echocardiographic measures of impaired LV filling) makes the diagnosis more likely.

^cFor the diagnosis of HFpEF, the greater the number of abnormalities present, the higher the likelihood of HFpEF.

Ecocardiogramma: diastole

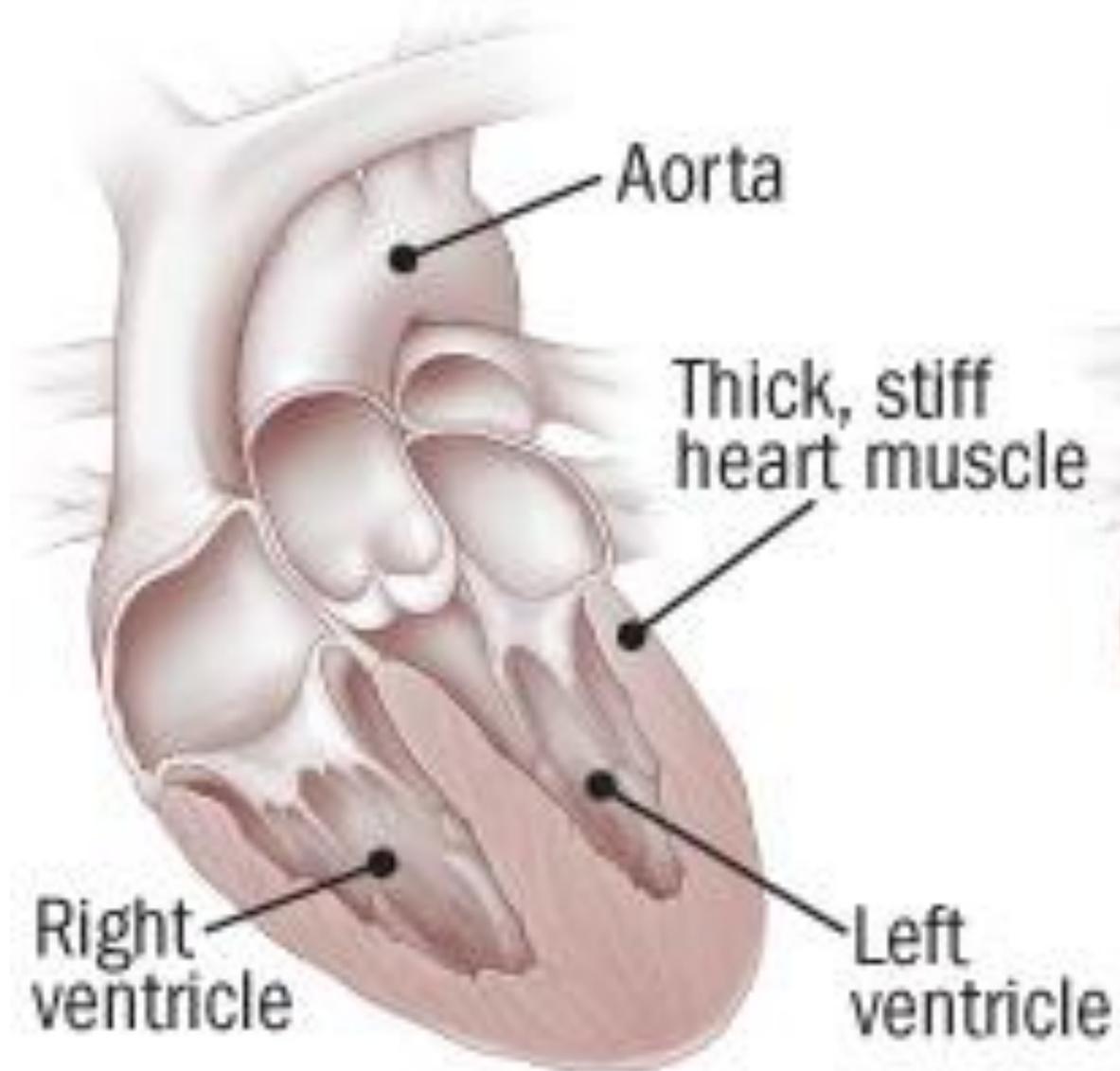


Utilizzo dei profili di flusso transmitralico e venoso polmonare

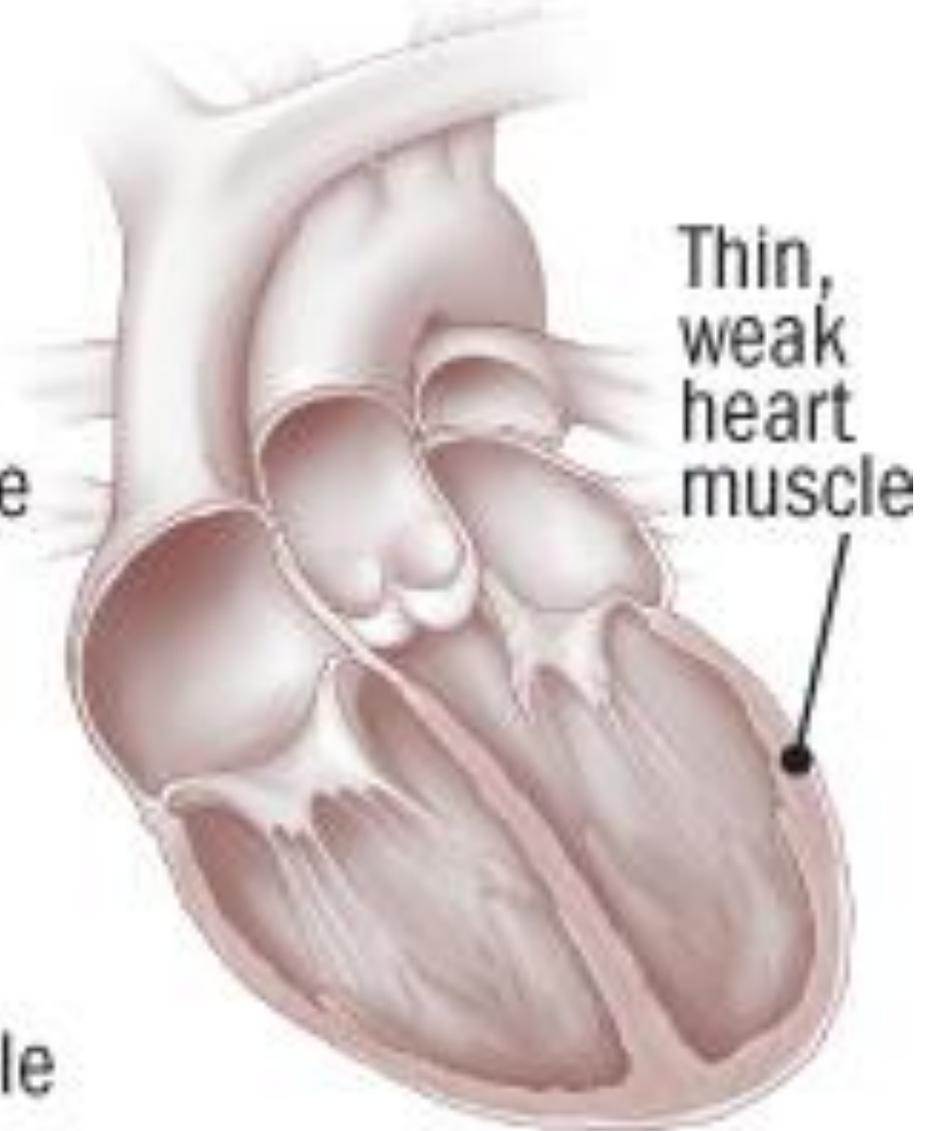


Types of heart failure: Diastolic and systolic

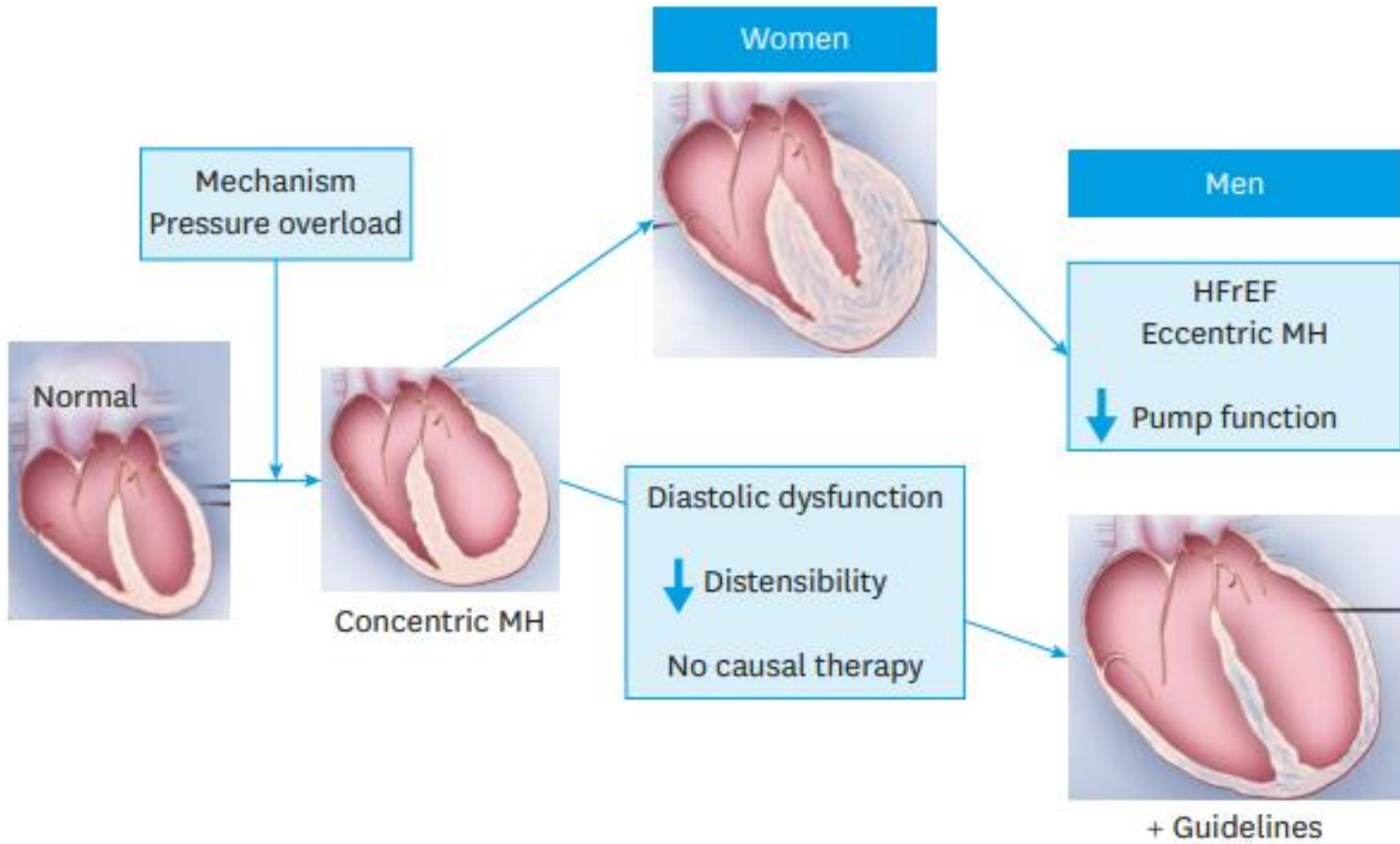
Diastolic heart failure



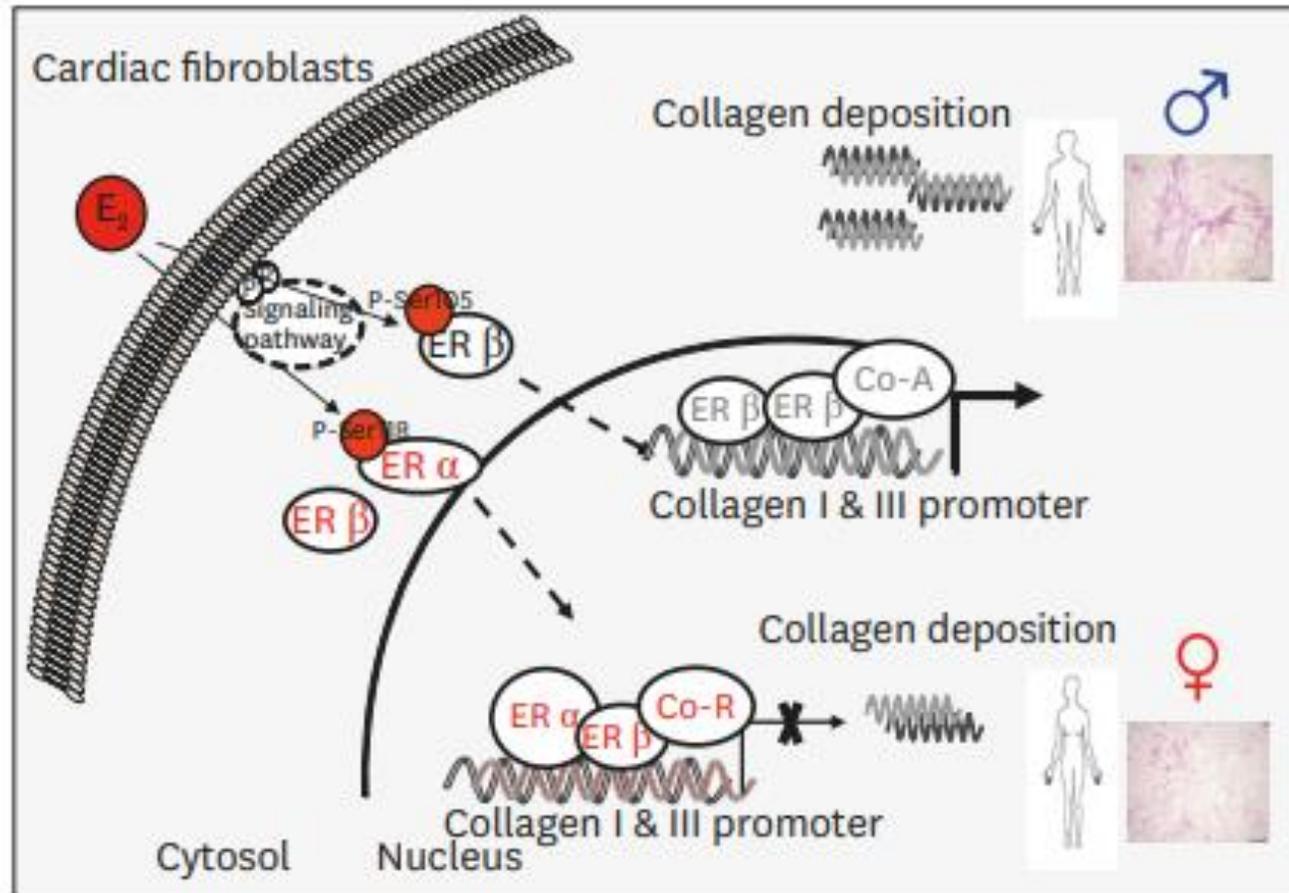
Systolic heart failure



Types of heart failure: Diastolic and systolic



Pathophysiology



Clinical implications

- Aortic stenosis
- Hypertension
- Arteriosclerosis

Figure 3. Sex-specific E₂/ER mediated collagen regulation underlies sex differences in cardiac fibrosis. Interaction of E₂, ERα and ERβ with pro- and anti-fibrotic pathways in women and men. E₂ activates ERα and ERβ in a sex specific manner, leading to a stronger transcriptional activation of pro-fibrotic pathways in men than in women. Adapted from Regitz-Zagrosek and Kararigas G.²³⁾ ER = estrogen receptor.

Pathophysiology

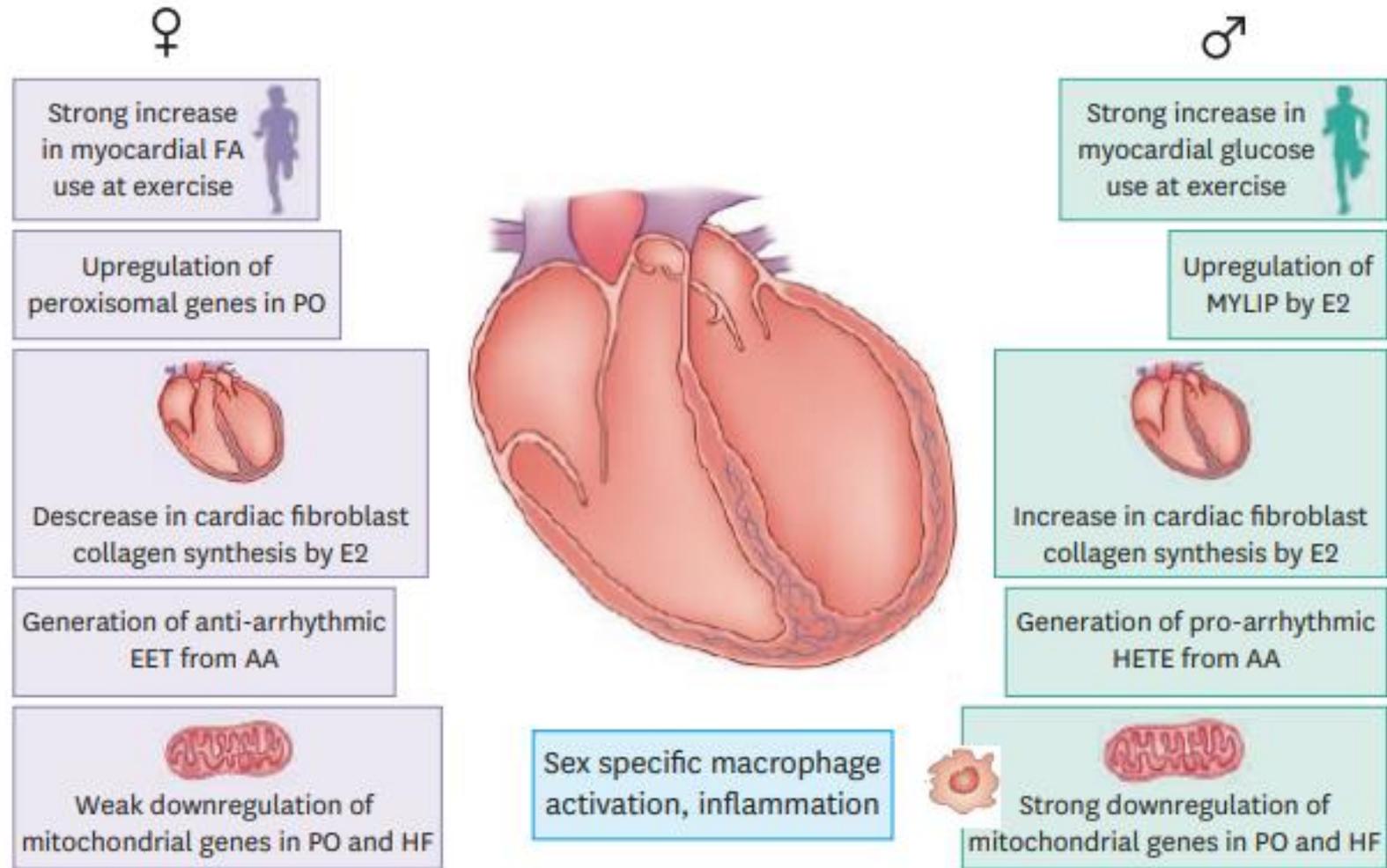


Figure 4. Summary of sex differences in myocardial pathophysiology. Adapted from Gerdtz and Regitz-Zagrosek.²⁹⁾ AA = arachidonic acid; EET = epoxyeicosanoids; FA = fatty acid; HETE = hydroxyeicosatetraenoic; HF = heart failure; MYLIP = myosin regulatory light chain interacting protein; PO = pressure overload.

Pathophysiology

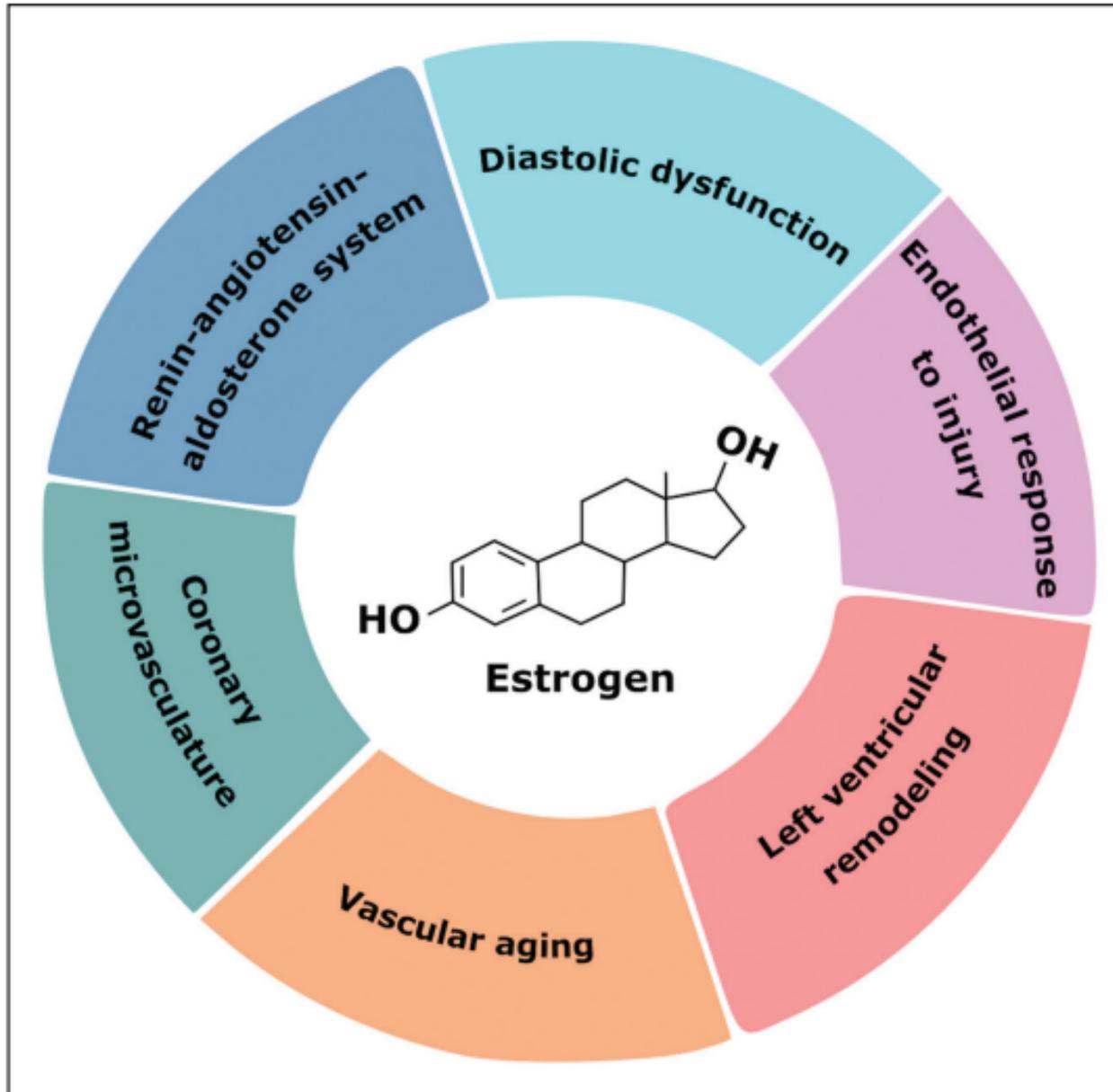


Figure 2. Postulated estrogen-mediated mechanisms in heart failure.

Estrogen modulates a variety of pathophysiologic processes including endothelial response to injury, the renin-angiotensin-aldosterone system, and left ventricular remodeling. Additionally, estrogen has roles in maintaining diastolic function and in the coronary microvasculature. These may explain sex differences in heart failure pathophysiology at a mechanistic level.

Therapy HFpEF

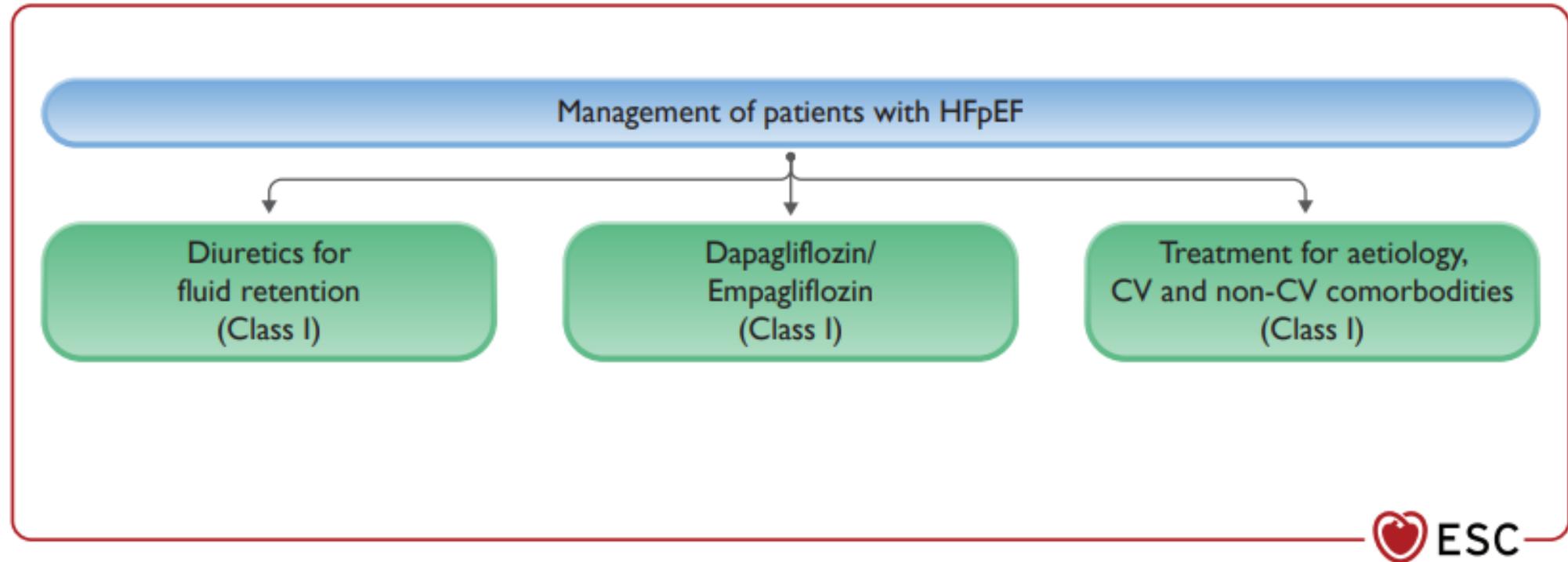


Figure 2 Management of patients with heart failure with preserved ejection fraction. CV, cardiovascular; HFpEF, heart failure with preserved ejection fraction.

Therapy HFmrEF

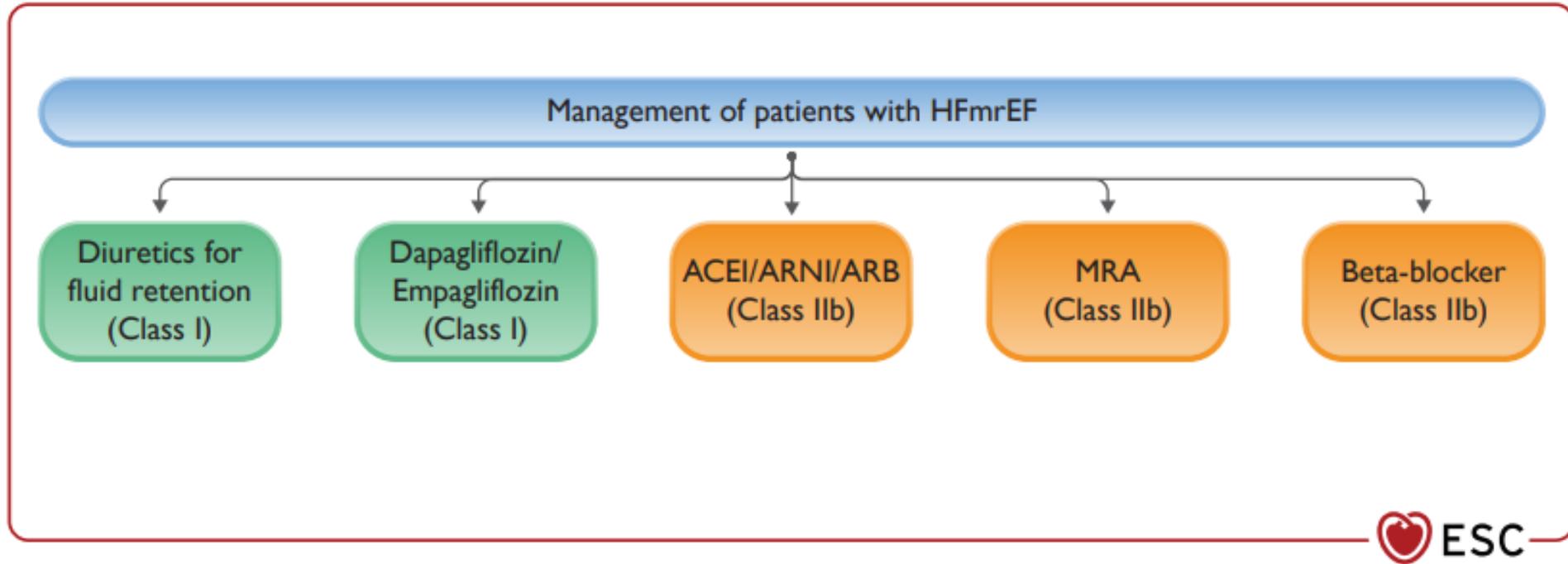


Figure 1 Management of patients with heart failure with mildly reduced ejection fraction. ACE-I, angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor; ARB, angiotensin receptor blocker; ARNI, angiotensin receptor–neprilysin inhibitor; HFmrEF, heart failure with mildly reduced ejection fraction; MRA, mineralocorticoid receptor antagonist.

Therapy HFrEF

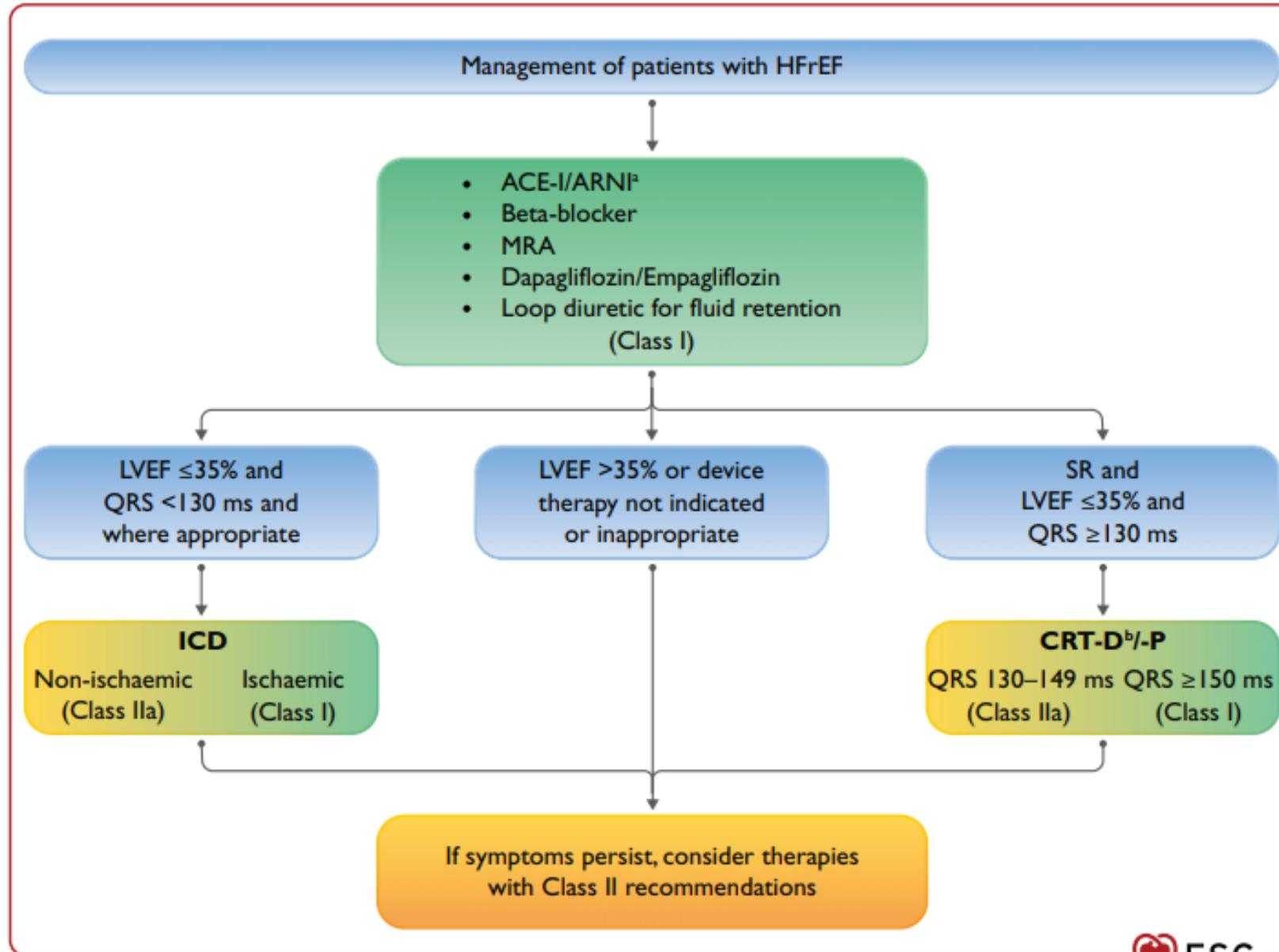


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ARB			
Val-HeFT*	Mortality	HR, 0.93 (0.68–1.27)	HR, 1.04 (0.90–1.19)
Val-HeFT*	HF hospitalizations	HR, 0.74 (0.55–0.98)	HR, 0.73 (0.62–0.86)
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B-blocker therapy			
US Carvedilol HF ²¹	Mortality	HR, 0.23 (0.07–0.69)	HR, 0.41 (0.22–0.80)
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CIBIS II ²³	Mortality	RH, 0.53 (0.42–0.67)	RH, 0.37 (0.19–0.69)
MERIT-HF ²⁴	Mortality	RR, 0.93 (0.58–1.49)	RR, 0.63 (0.50–0.78)
Ivabradine			
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Medical therapy

Digossina

Nel 1997, il Digitalis Investigation Group ha confermato l'efficacia della terapia con digossina per pazienti con HF. Successivamente, le linee guida hanno fortemente sostenuto l'uso della digossina nell'HFrEF, senza considerare il sesso.

Tuttavia, in un'analisi post hoc di sottogruppi, la digossina è stata associata con una mortalità significativamente più alta tra le donne

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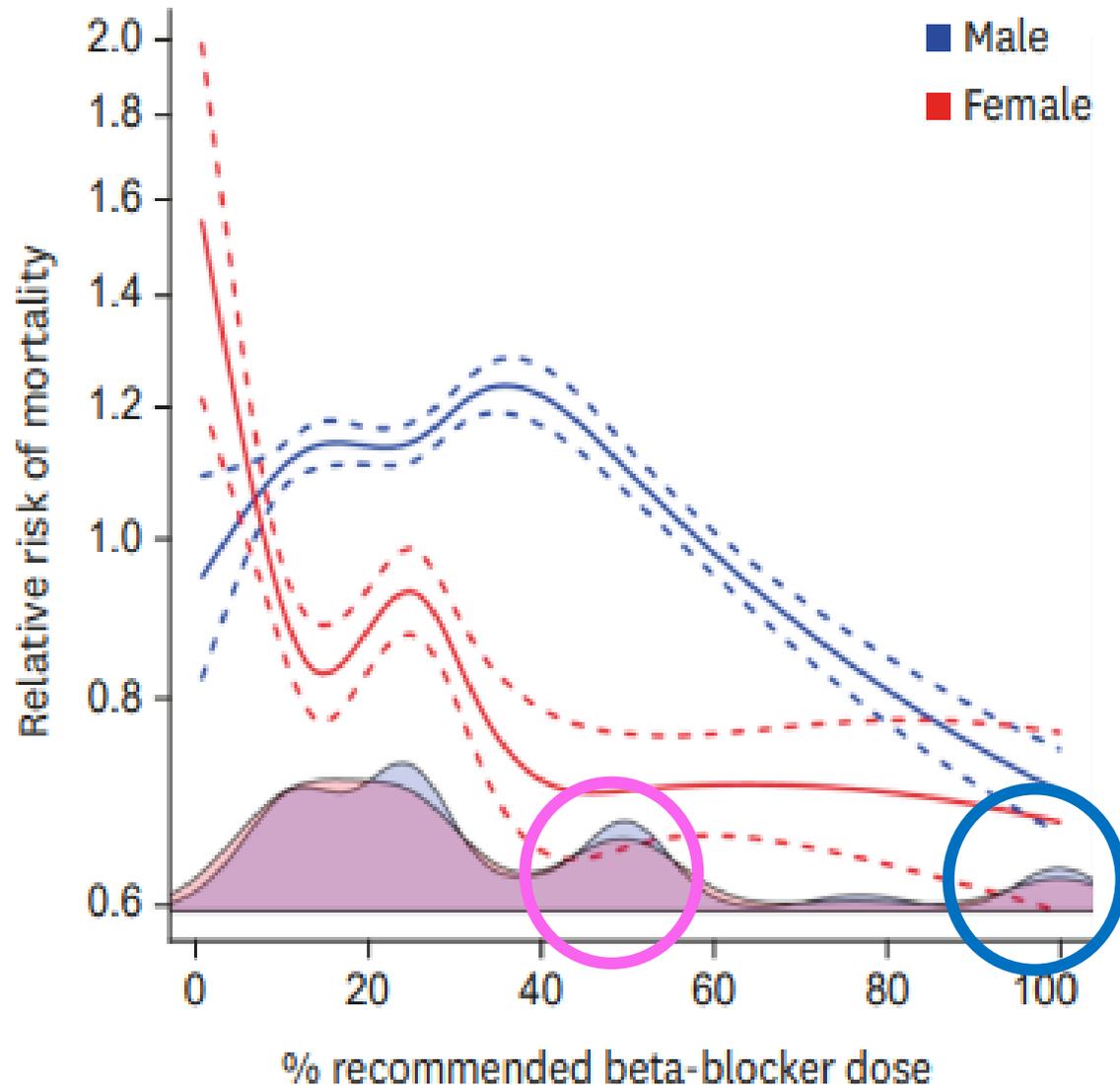
Beta-bloccanti

I beta-bloccanti sono pietre miliari nel trattamento dello scompenso cardiaco.

Raccolta dei risultati di mortalità da MERIT-HF, CIBIS II e COPERNICUS hanno mostrato benefici in termini di sopravvivenza in entrambe le donne e uomini.

La mancanza di prove in alcuni ampi studi sui beta-bloccanti è quindi probabilmente dovuta a la sottorappresentanza delle donne negli studi clinici e i beta-bloccanti rappresentano un trattamento efficace nelle donne.

Medical therapy



Una recente analisi nello studio Biology Study to Tailored Treatment (BIOSTAT) nello studio sullo scompenso cardiaco cronico condotto in 11 paesi europei hanno scoperto che le donne con HFrEF necessitavano di dosi più basse di beta-bloccanti. Metoprololo e propranololo vengono metabolizzati principalmente da citocromo epatico CYP2D6 che ha un'attività inferiore nelle donne rispetto agli uomini. Propranololo raggiunge livelli plasmatici fino all'80% più alti nelle donne rispetto agli uomini.

L'effetto ottimale del beta-bloccante metoprololo può essere raggiunto a dosi inferiori nelle donne rispetto agli uomini: una dose di 50 mg

La dose di metoprololo nelle donne adulte ha fornito un'esposizione al farmaco approssimativamente simile a quella di 100 mg dose negli uomini adulti.

I contraccettivi orali possono interagire con il metabolismo del metoprololo e oltre aumentarne i livelli plasmatici.

Poiché le donne sperimentano più frequentemente effetti avversi con beta-bloccanti rispetto agli uomini, potrebbe essere utile mantenere le dosi basse e condurre più studi sul dosaggio ottimale di beta-bloccanti nelle donne sono necessari.

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Medical therapy

ACEI

Nei primi studi multicentrici, ad es. CONSENSO I, SAVE e SOLVD, ACEI hanno portato a risultati molto più piccoli riduzione della mortalità nelle donne rispetto agli uomini. Anche i successivi studi AIRE e HOPE come una serie di studi più piccoli, hanno mostrato un beneficio significativo degli ACEI nelle donne, suggerendo che beneficiano del trattamento tanto quanto gli uomini.

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Medical therapy

Più recentemente, lo studio BIOSTAT HF ha suggerito che le donne con HFrEF raggiungevano gli stessi effetti del trattamento, ovvero mortalità e riduzione degli eventi cardiovascolari, con dosi più basse rispetto agli uomini e non traggono beneficio dall'aumento della dose alle dosi raccomandate dalle linee guida

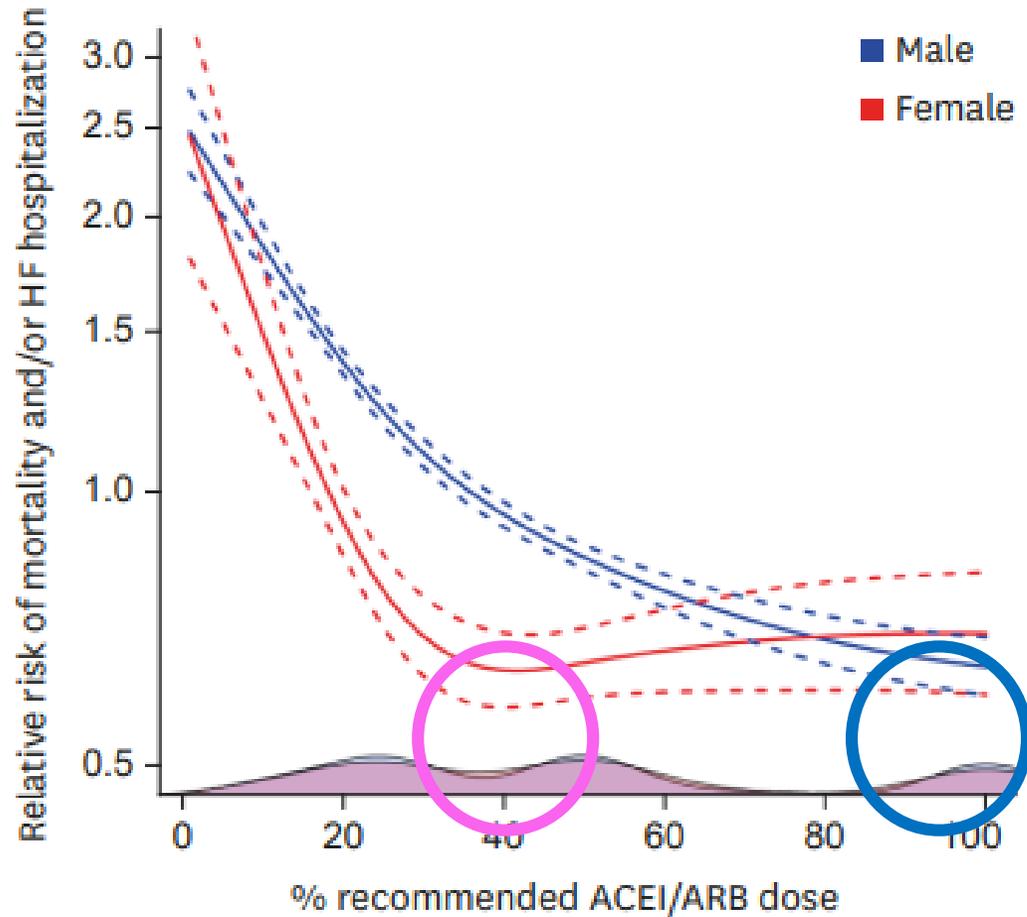


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Medical therapy

Sacubitril-valsartan

Recentemente, in un ampio studio randomizzato sono state riscontrate differenze sessuali del tutto insospettite studio controllato (RCT), che confrontava la combinazione inibitore della neprilisina/ARB sacubitril valsartan e ARB valsartan in pazienti con HFpEF.

L'inibizione della neprilisina aumenta peptidi natriuretici endogeni biologicamente attivi e altri composti vasoattivi, con una maggiore generazione di cGMP, una molecola di segnalazione che è ridotta in HFpEF, ed è benefico nell'HFpEF.

Sacubitril-valsartan non ha comportato un tasso significativamente più basso di ricoveri totali per scompenso cardiaco e morte per cause cardiovascolari in una coorte mista dei pazienti con HFpEF/HFmEF. **Tuttavia, ha portato a una riduzione significativa del tasso di eventi rispetto a valsartan nelle donne, che non è stato osservato negli uomini.** Pertanto, il farmaco è risultato efficace nelle donne, ma non negli uomini.

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Medical therapy

Antagonisti dei recettori dell'aldosterone

Un primo studio non ha riscontrato differenze nell'effetto dello spironolattone sullo scompenso cardiaco sintomatico uomini e donne.

Tuttavia solo il 30% dei pazienti arruolati erano donne e il lo studio non aveva la potenza necessaria per rilevare le differenze di sesso.

EPHESUS, maggiore beneficio per le donne, trattate con eplerenone, a 30 giorni non confermato 16 mesi.

In TOPCAT, i soggetti con HF sintomatico e una FE LV $\geq 45\%$ sono stati randomizzati a spironolattone o placebo. In un'analisi post hoc di sottogruppo, in cui sono stati analizzati solo i soggetti arruolati dalle Americhe la terapia con spironolattone è stata associata a una riduzione della mortalità per tutte le cause nelle donne

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Medical therapy

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La sottorappresentazione delle donne negli studi clinici ha stata un'altra preoccupazione con alcuni studi come V-HeFT. Non incluso donne quando confrontavano prazosina, isosorbide e idralazina con il placebo in pazienti con scompenso cardiaco.

Isosorbide e l'idralazina sono stati studiati solo nelle donne partecipanti nell'A-HEFT (African American HF Trial) ma non l'hanno fatto è stato studiato tra donne con HFrEF di altre razze.

Nello studio A-HEFT, che ha coinvolto 420 donne con sintomi di scompenso cardiaco moderatamente gravi (New York Heart Association [NYHA] classe III-IV) già in terapia medica secondo le linee guida, la combinazione di terapia con isosorbide e idralazina riduzione della mortalità e dell'ospedalizzazione per scompenso cardiaco. Si è verificata miglioramento della qualità della vita con il trattamento.

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Gli SGLT2

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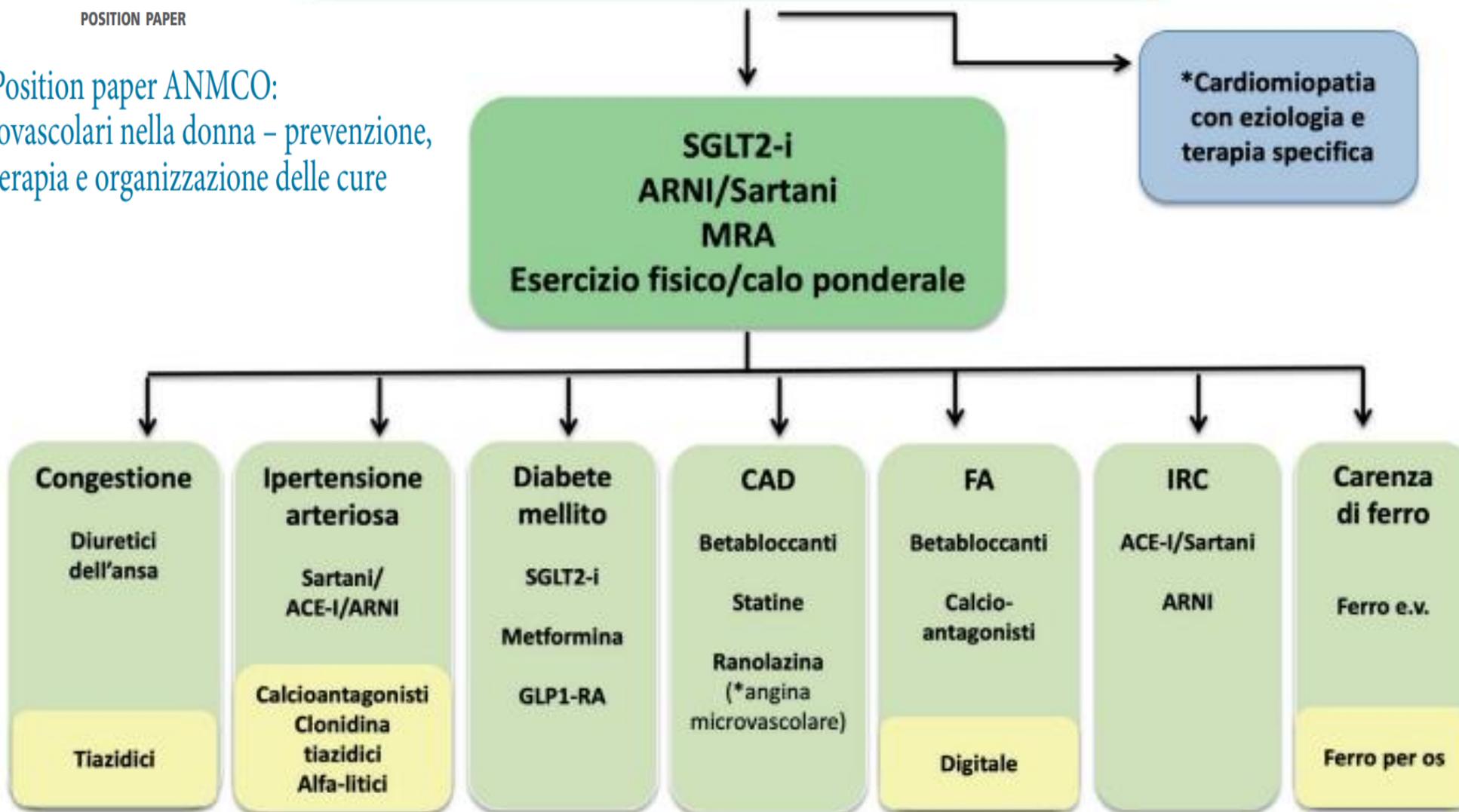
Dapagliflozin è un altro SGLT2i con dati limitati specifici per sesso, che hanno mostrato tra i 1109 donne con HFrEF una tendenza alla riduzione l'endpoint combinato di ricoveri per scompenso cardiaco, terapia ambulatoriale endovenosa per scompenso cardiaco o morte cardiovascolare nello studio DAPA-HF (Dapagliflozin e Prevenzione di Risultati avversi nello scompenso cardiaco).

Questi studi dimostrano alcuni benefici nonostante la sottorappresentanza delle donne HFrEF

Terapia HFpEF nella Donna

POSITION PAPER

Position paper ANMCO:
Malattie cardiovascolari nella donna – prevenzione,
diagnosi, terapia e organizzazione delle cure



 Trattamento di prima scelta
 Trattamento di seconda scelta

DEVICE Therapy

Eligible women less likely to have an ICD inserted

Unclear survival benefit of ICD in women

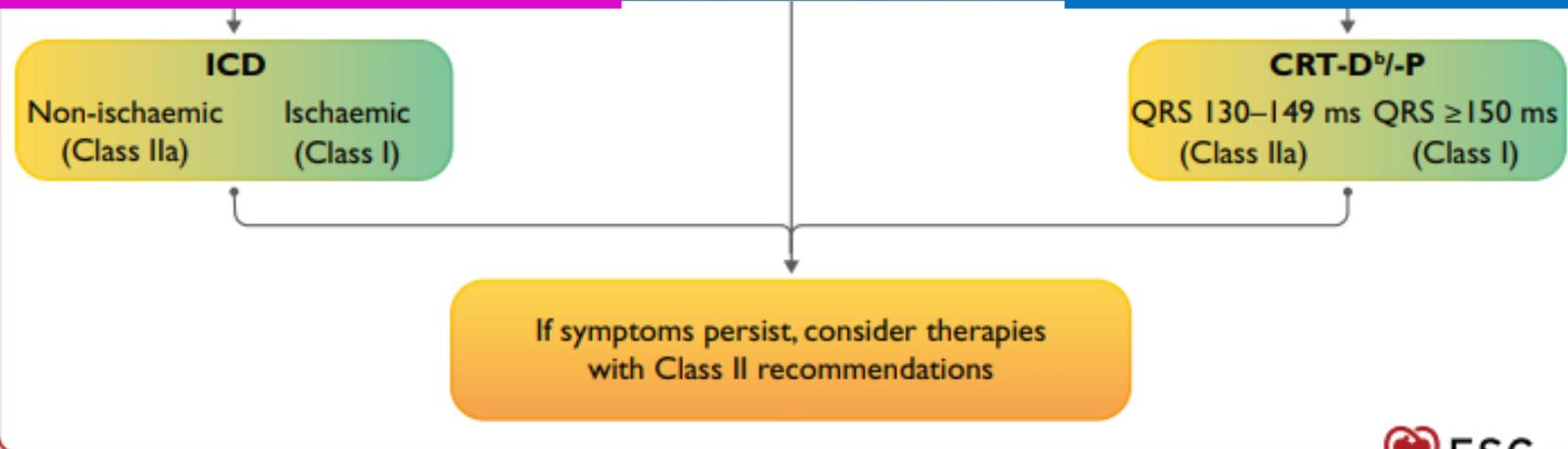
Greater benefit from CRT in hospitalization, mortality and QoL outcomes

Device therapy



More likely to have an appropriate ICD intervention

Greater impact of percutaneous mitral valve intervention on hospitalization for HF



Altro...



Cardiac Amyloid

80-90% of patients with ATTR amyloid are men

At presentation, women with higher LVEF and lower wall thickness



Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy

Women are typically older and more symptomatic at first evaluation

Women are more likely to have obstructive physiology

Greater mortality in women



Cardiac Sarcoid

Lower endomyocardial biopsy utilization for diagnosis in women

Women have lower rates of ventricular arrhythmias and less ICD implantation

Higher in-hospital mortality in women



Stress Cardiomyopathy

Emotional stress predominant trigger in women, physical stress predominant trigger in men

Male sex is a predictor of adverse events including cardiovascular death, heart failure and ventricular arrhythmias

Concludendo

- *Pattern specifici di scompenso*
- *Variazioni ormonali*
- *Terapia diversificata*
- *Diversa risposta alle terapie con Device*

