

# Optimizing care for Pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH)

*Evidence-Based strategies Diagnosis,  
Management and treatment*

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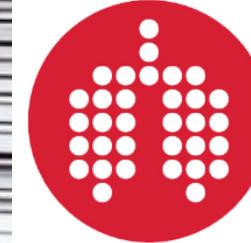


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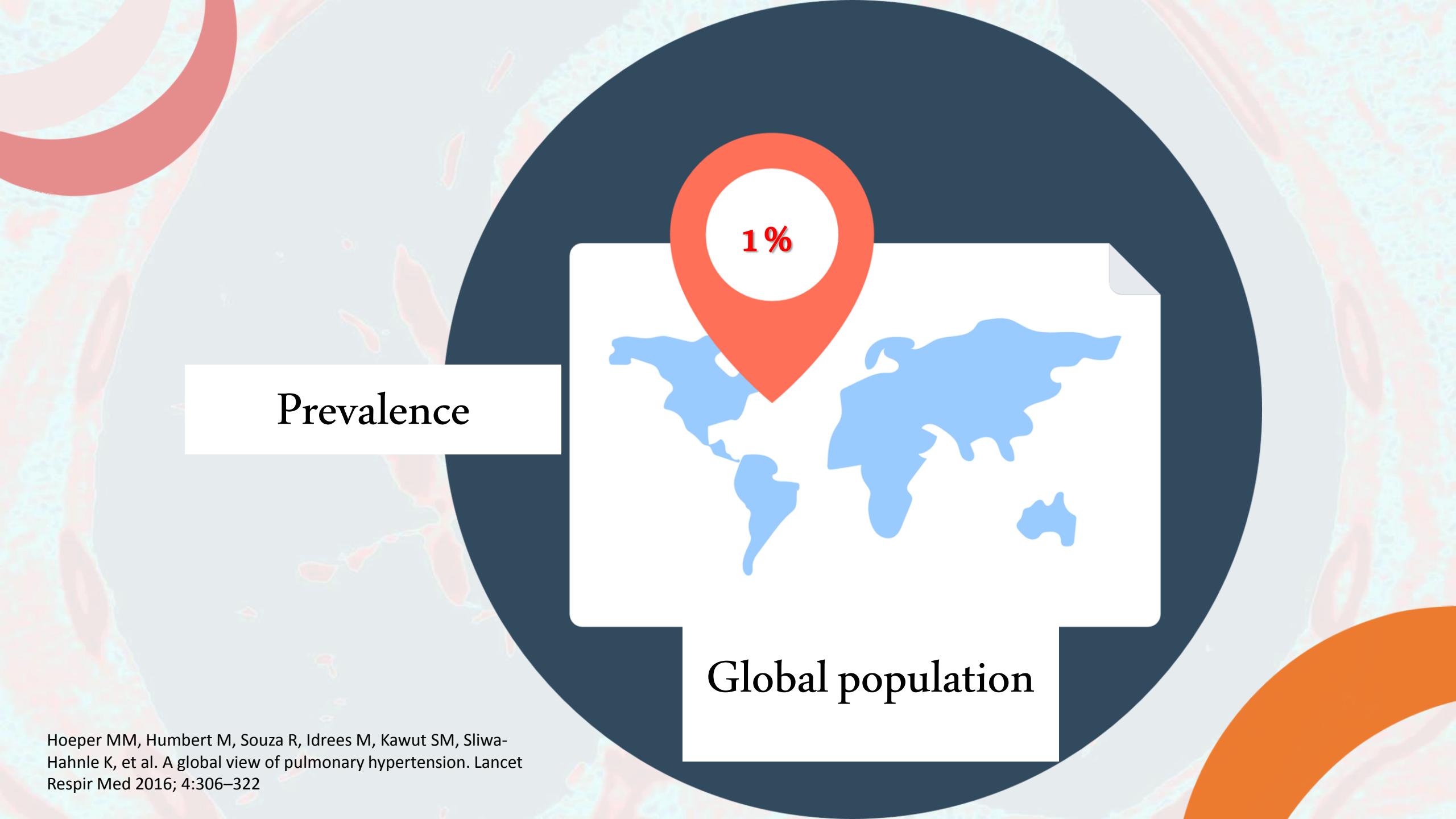
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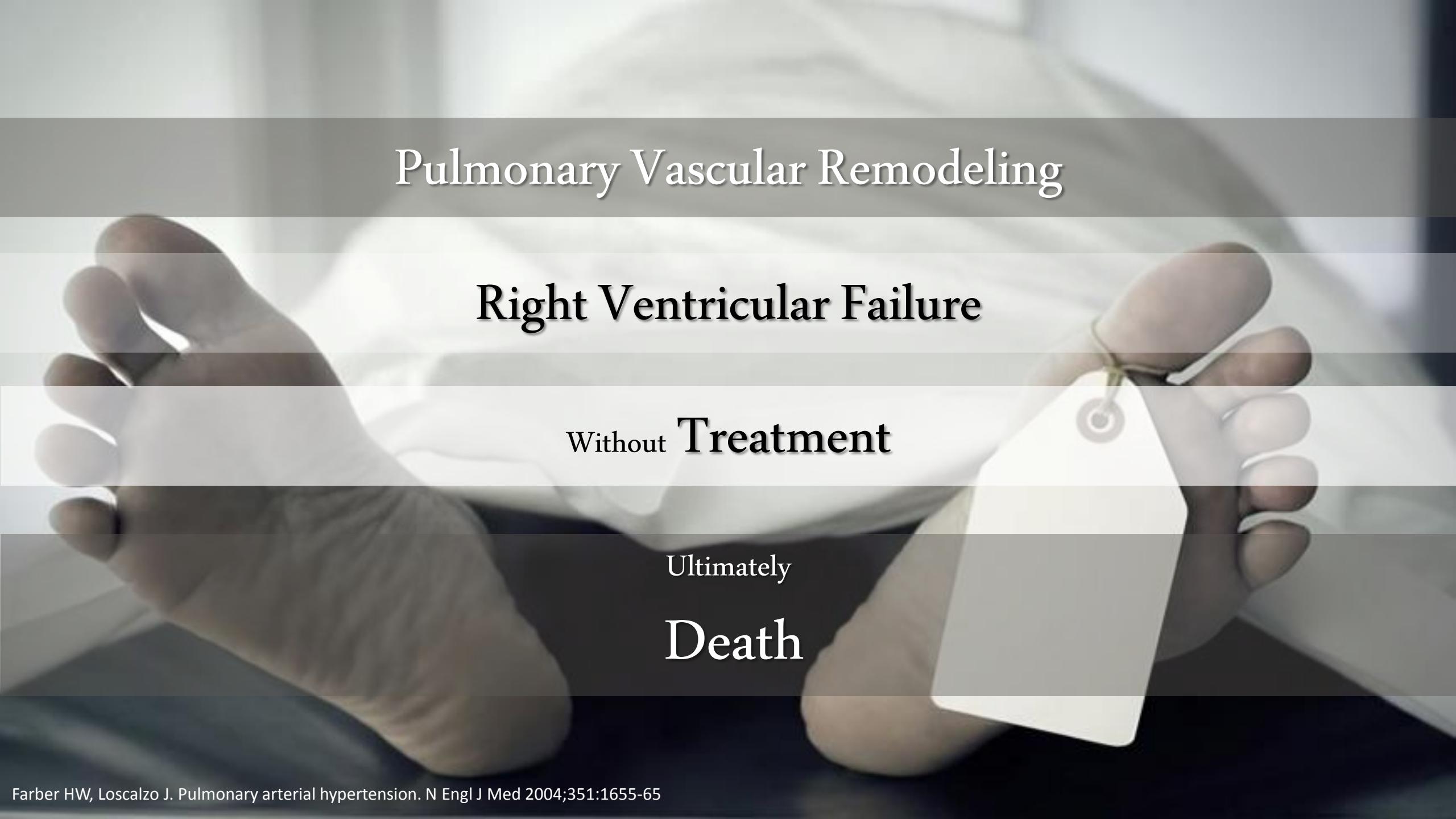
# Epidemiology





Prevalence

Global population

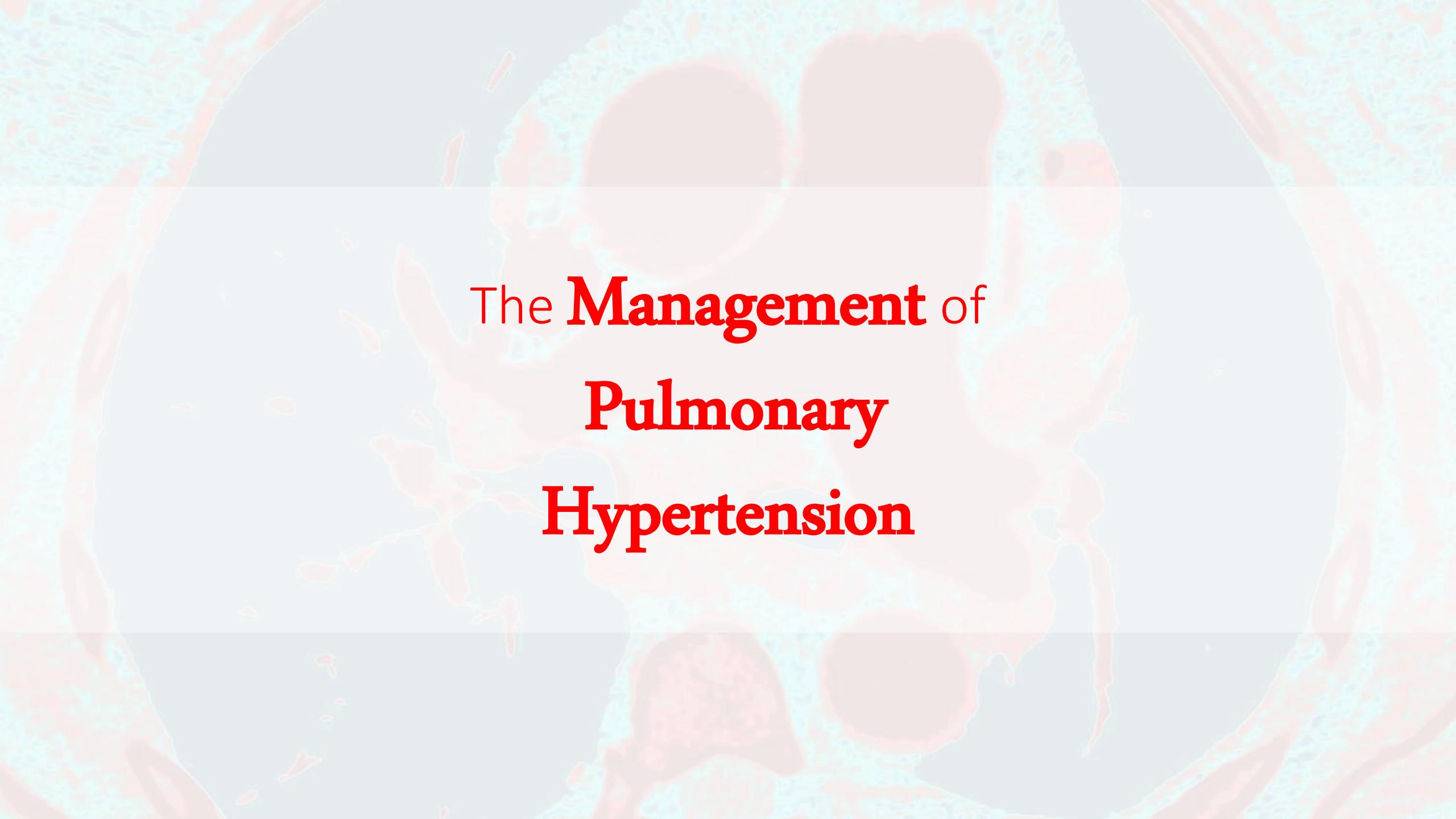


Pulmonary Vascular Remodeling

## Right Ventricular Failure

Without Treatment

Ultimately  
Death



# **The Management of Pulmonary Hypertension**

# SUCCESS

*The management of  
Pulmonary  
Hypertension*



## 1. Identify Groups

## Pulmonary hypertension (Dana Point classification)

### GROUP 1

PAH

- Idiopathic (IPAH)
- Heritable
- Drug- and toxin-induced
- Associated with other conditions (APAH)

#### Group 1'

- Pulmonary veno-occlusive disease
- Pulmonary capillary hemangiomatosis

#### Group 1''

- Persistent pulmonary hypertension of the newborn (PPHN)

### GROUP 2

Left-heart related

- Systolic dysfunction
- Diastolic dysfunction
- Valvular disease
- Congenital/acquired left heart inflow/outflow tract obstruction and congenital cardiomyopathies
- Congenital/acquired pulmonary veins stenosis



### GROUP 3

Lung/hypoxia related

- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)
- Interstitial lung disease (ILD)
- Other pulmonary diseases with mixed restrictive and obstructive pattern
- Sleep-disordered breathing
- Alveolar hypventilation disorders
- Chronic exposure to high altitude
- Developmental lung diseases

### GROUP 4

CTEPH and other pulmonary artery obstructions

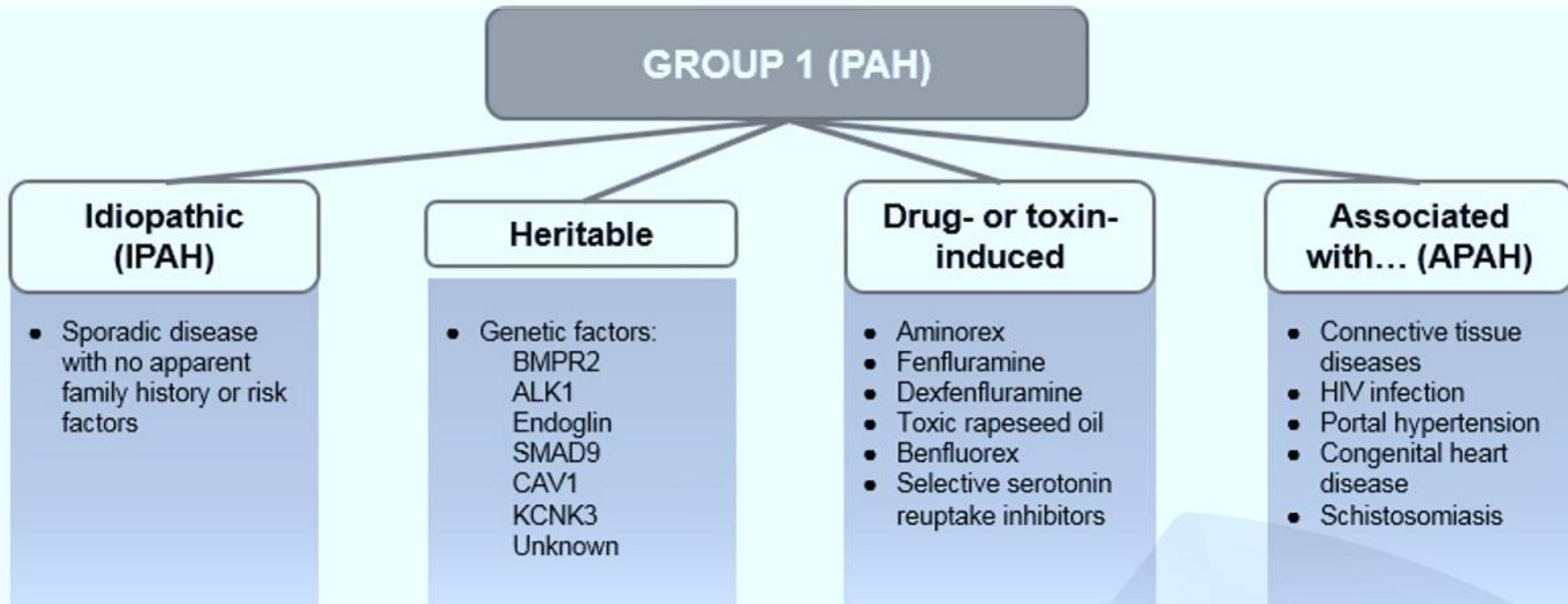
- CTEPH
- Other pulmonary artery obstructions

### GROUP 5

Other

PH with unclear multifactorial mechanisms

# PAH is a group of conditions with common symptoms and pathophysiology



ALK1, activin receptor-like kinase type 1; BMPR2, bone morphogenetic protein receptor type 2; CAV1, caveolin-1; HIV, human immunodeficiency virus; KCNK3, gene encoding potassium channel super family K member-3; SMAD9, mothers against decapentaplegic 9. Galiè N et al. Eur Respir J 2015;46:903–975.

# SUCCESS

*The management of  
Pulmonary  
Hypertension*

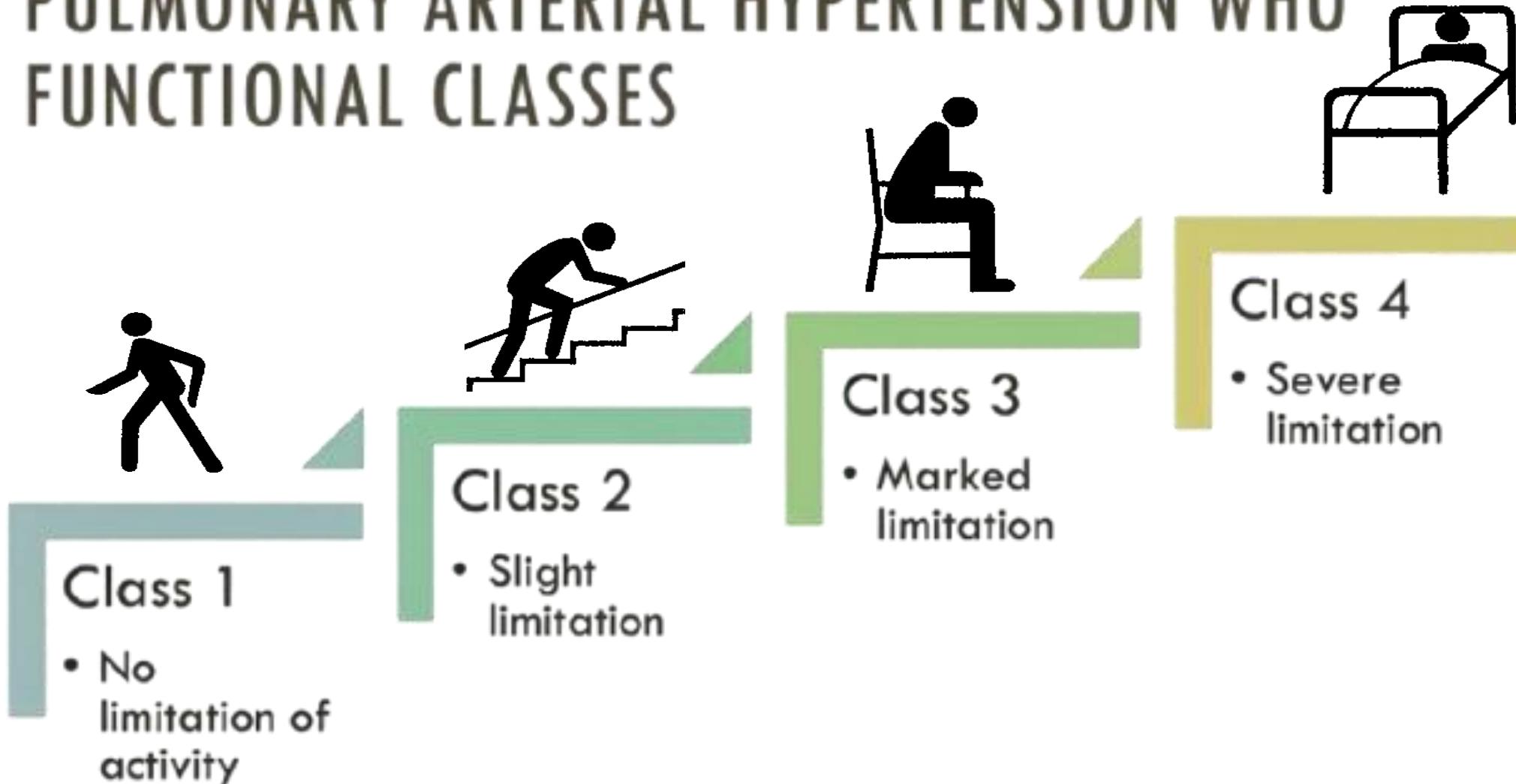


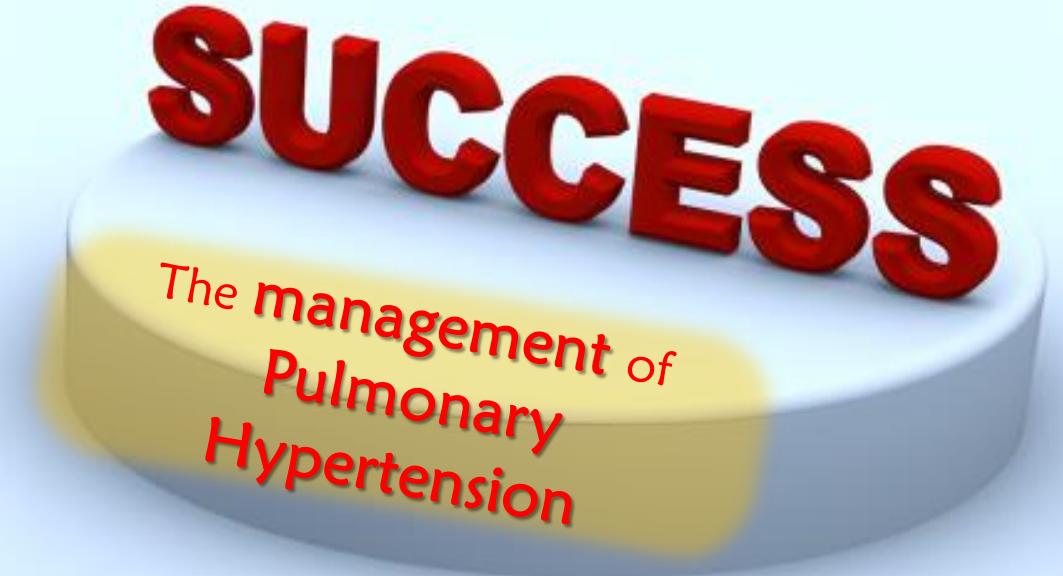
1. Identify Groups
2. **Identify Functional Classes**



# World Health Organization (WHO) Functional Classification for pulmonary hypertension

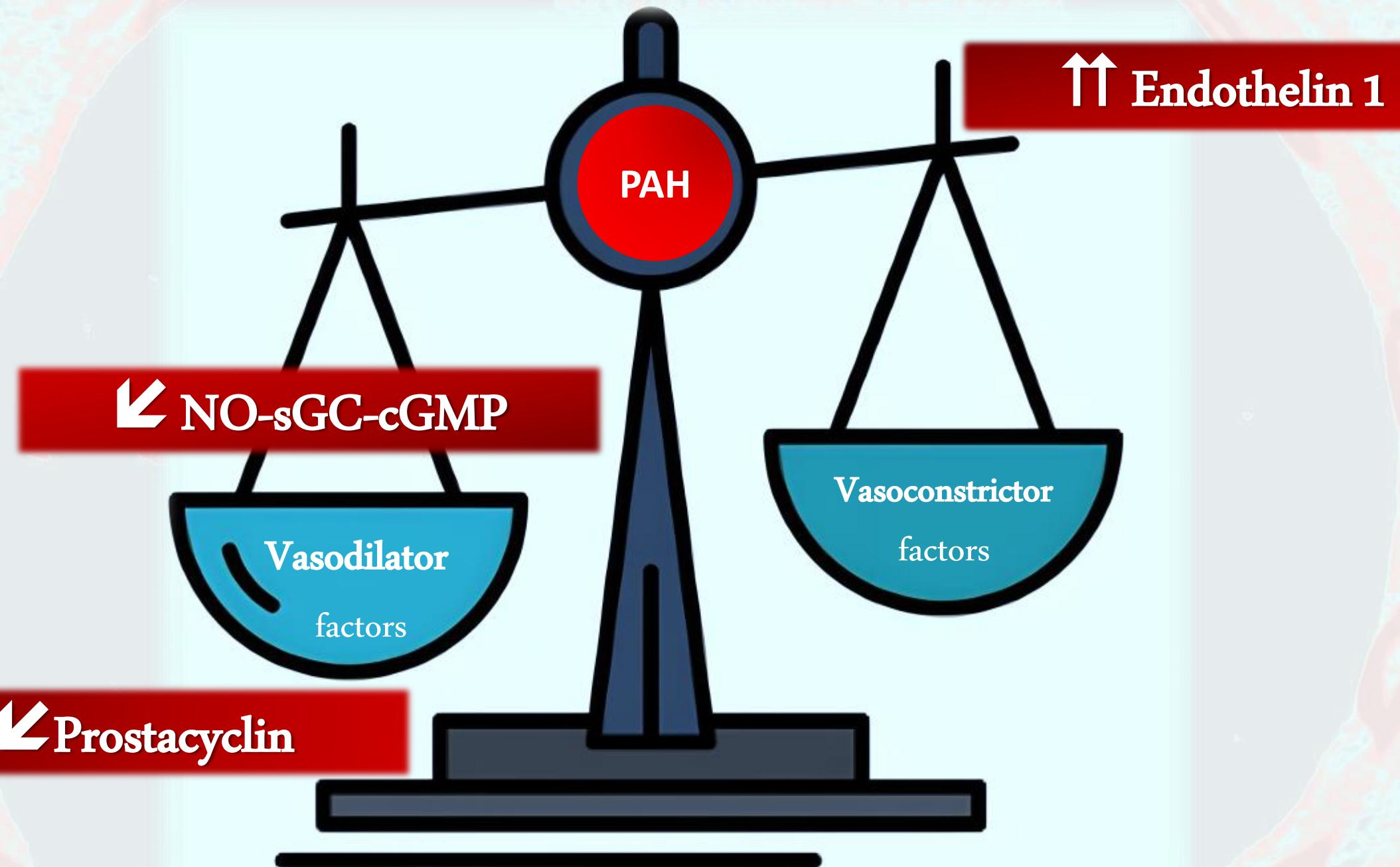
# PULMONARY ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION WHO FUNCTIONAL CLASSES

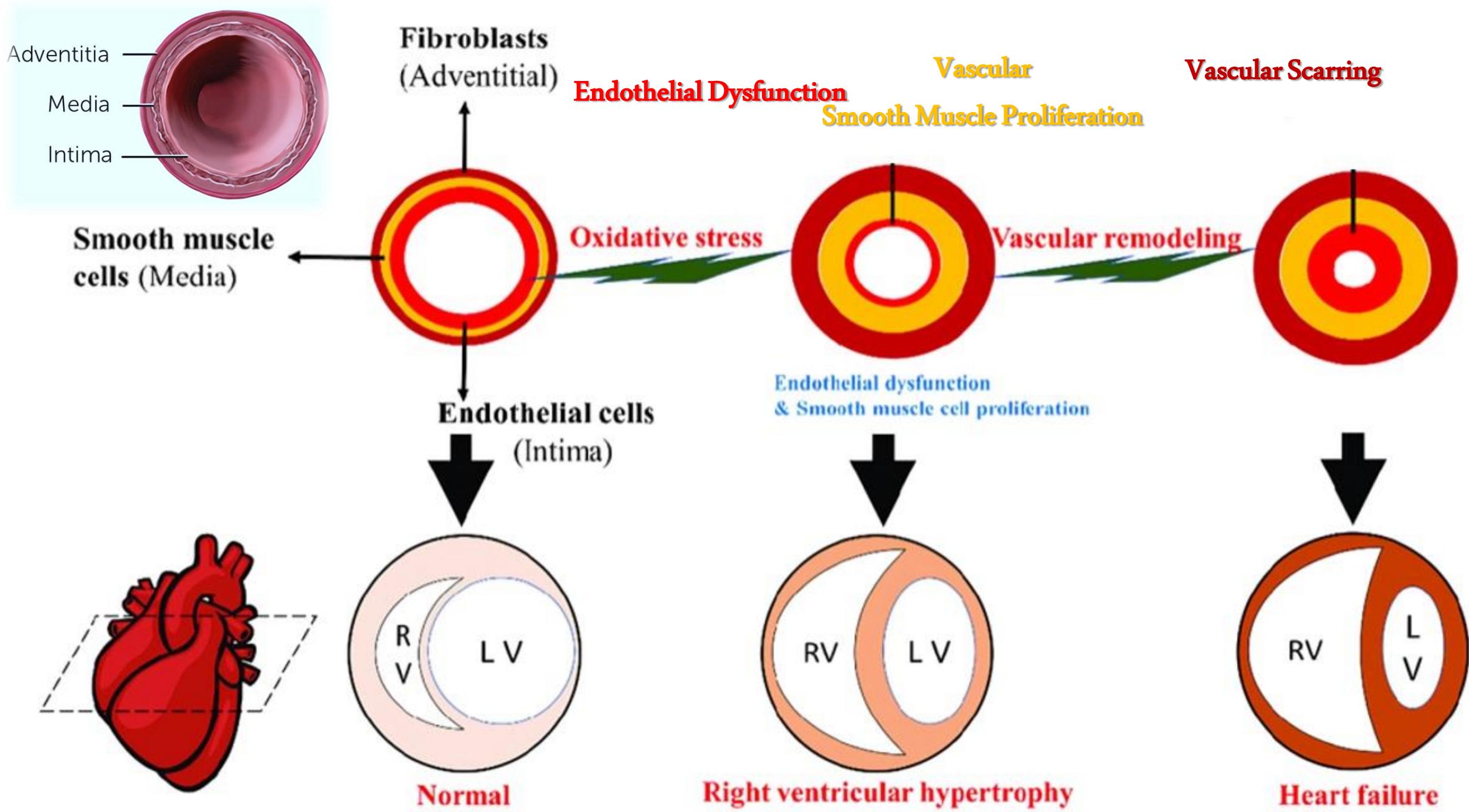




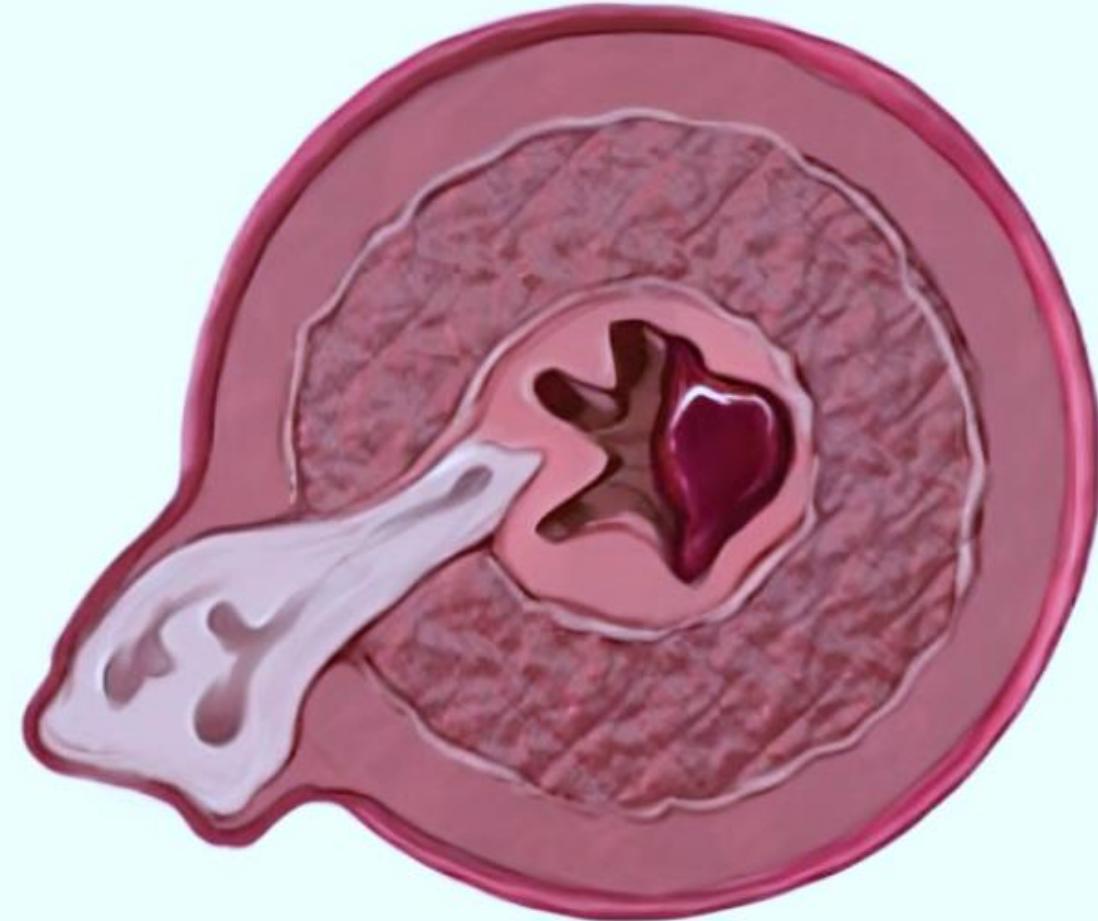
1. Identify Groups
2. Identify Functional Classes
3. **PAH-directed therapy**





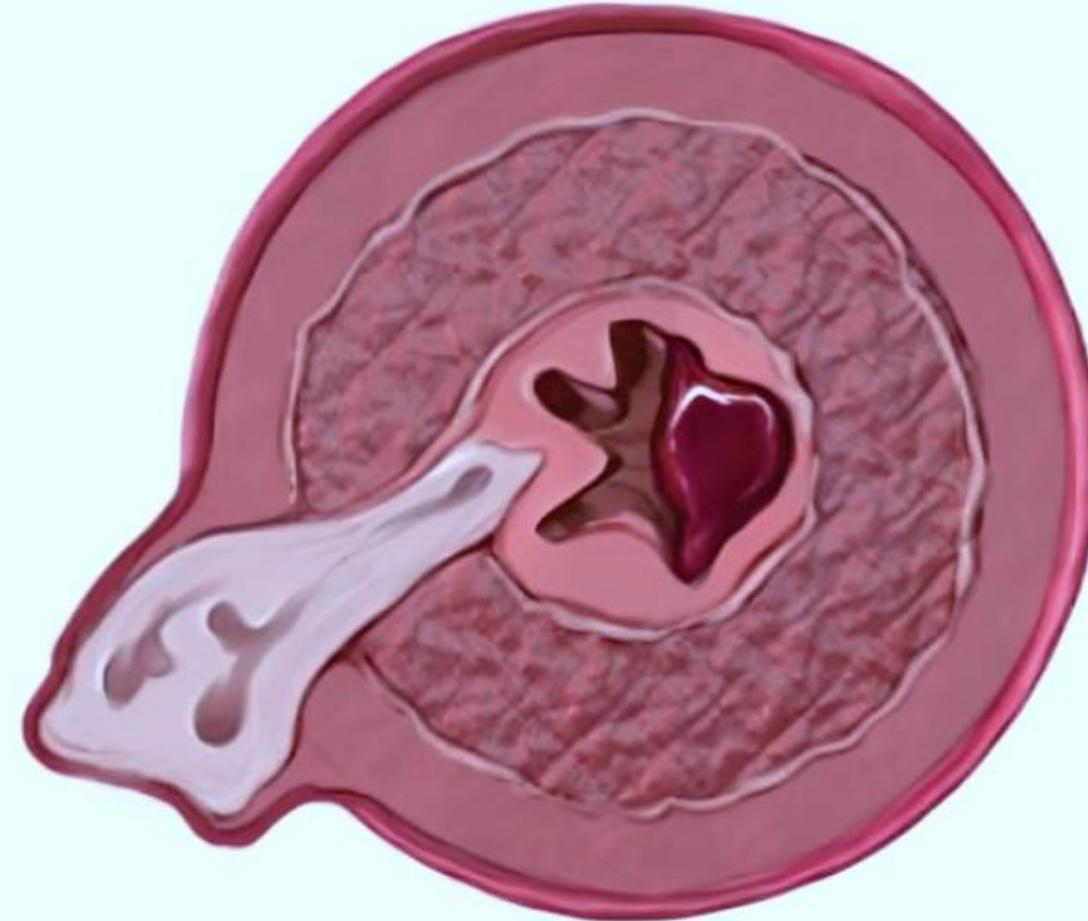


# Plexiform Lesions



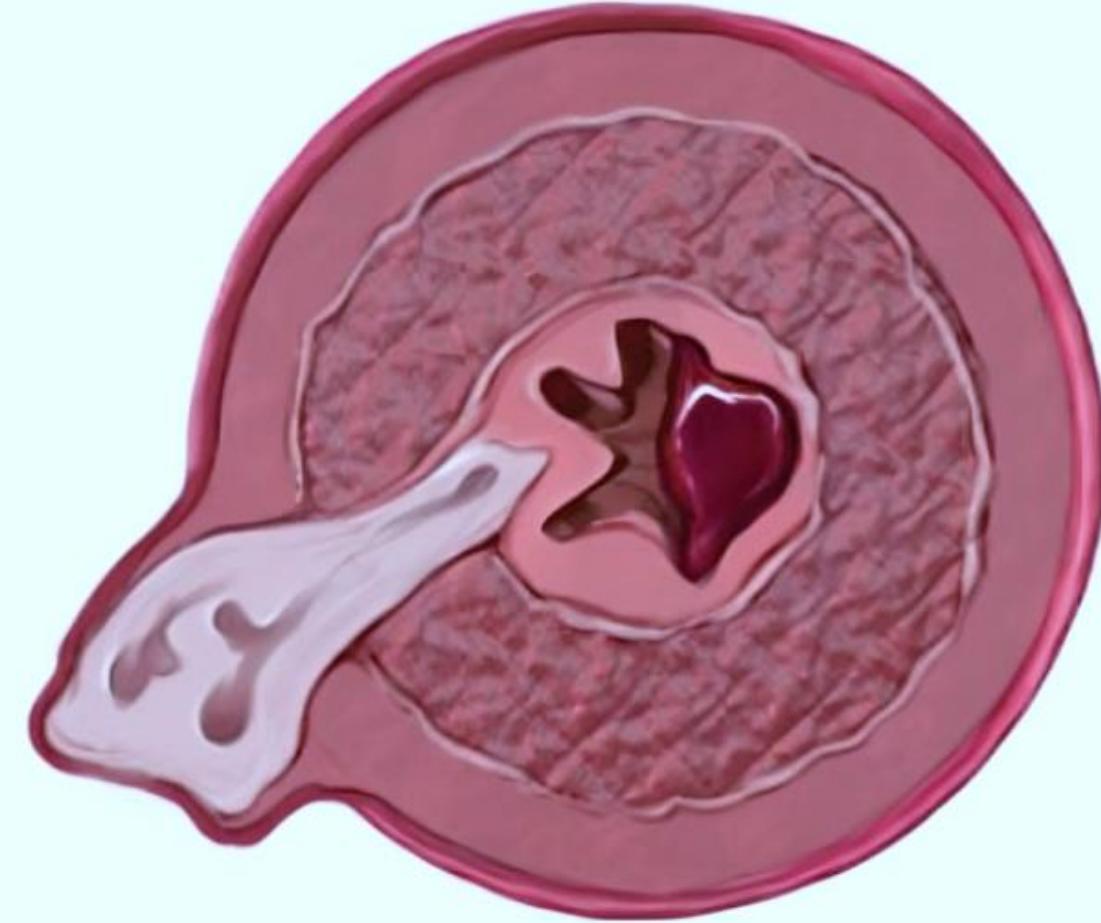
Plexiform Lesions

Thrombi form



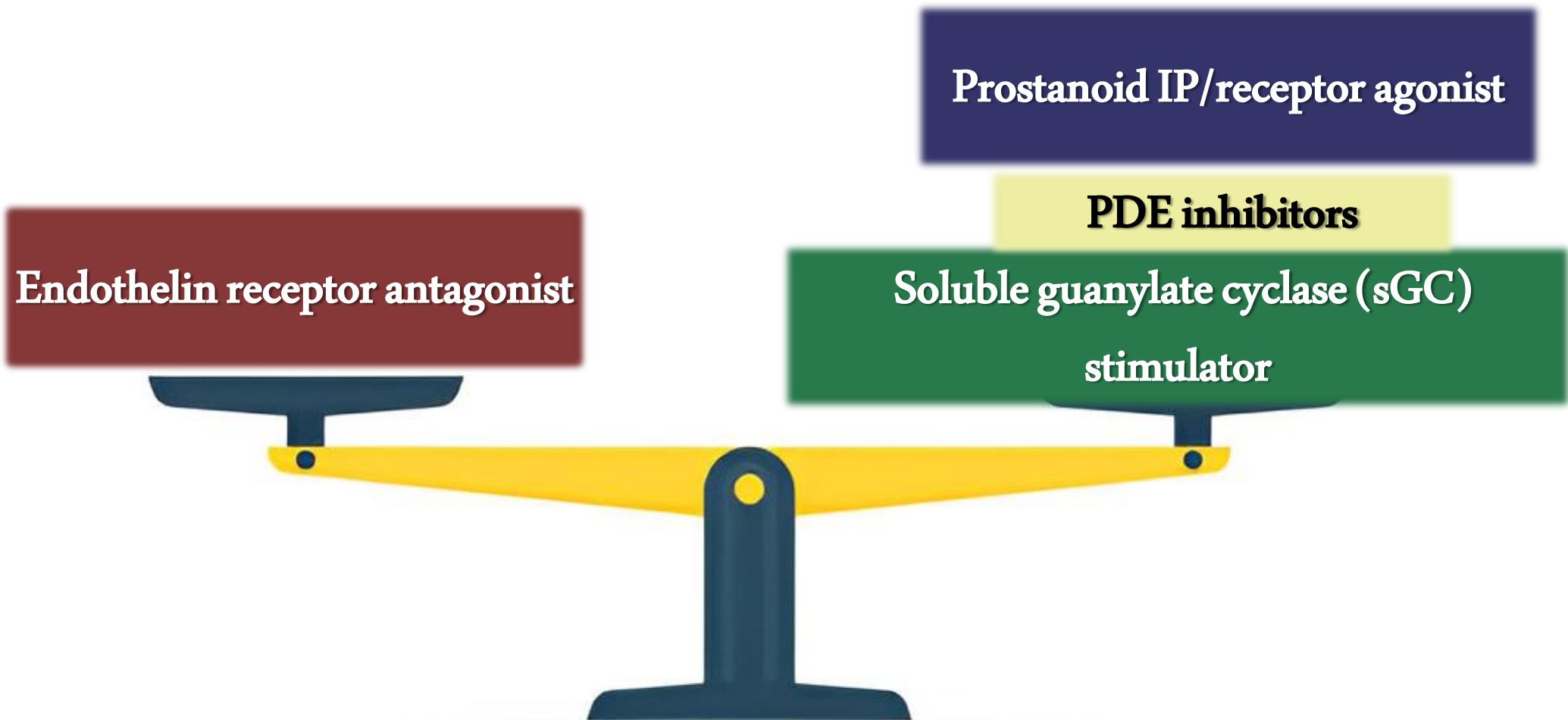
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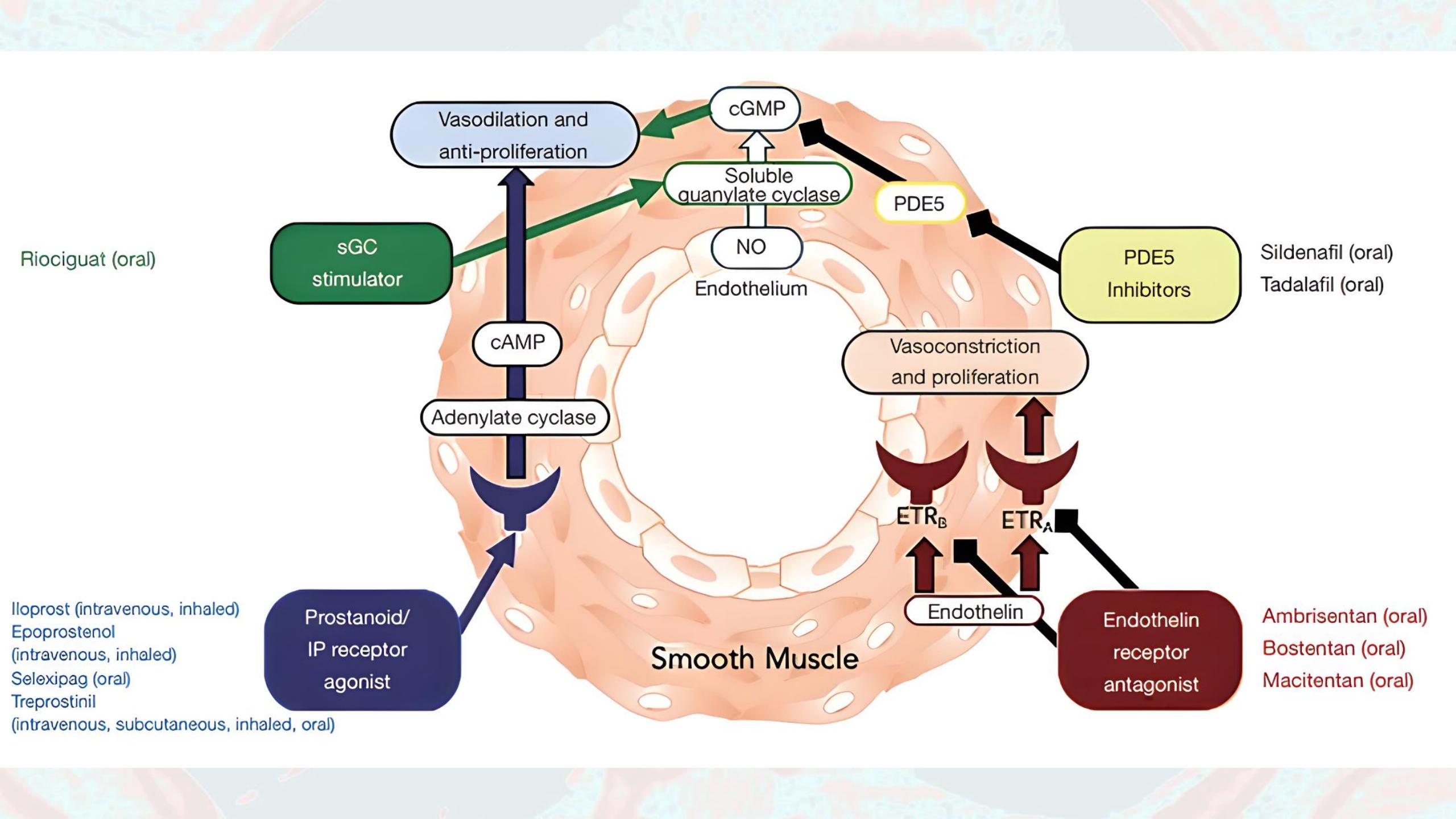
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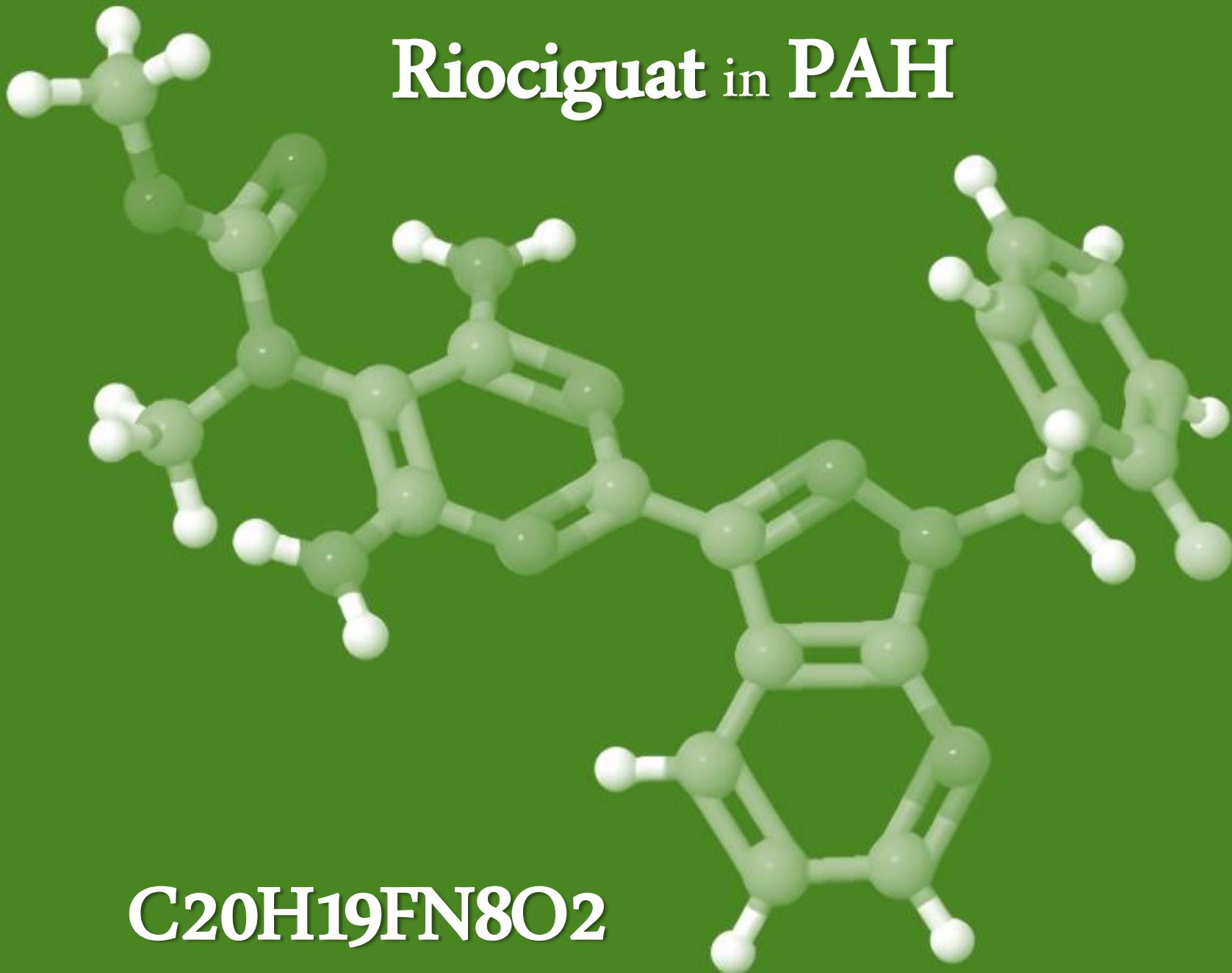
Severe PAH

# PAH-directed therapy

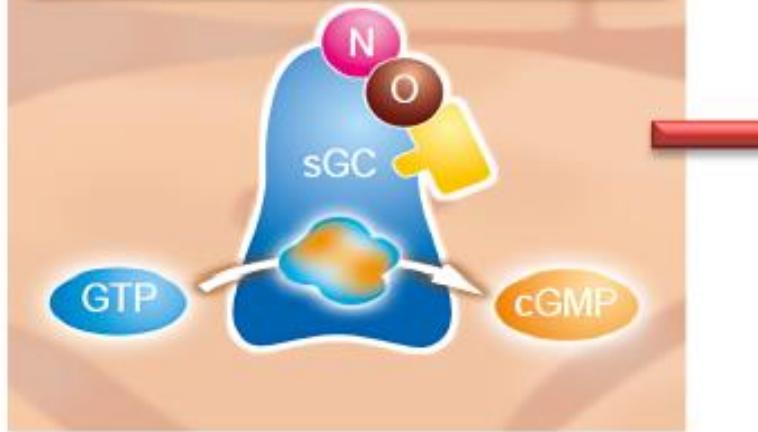




# Riociguat in PAH



Riociguat stabilizes NO binding to sGC and also directly stimulates sGC independent of NO, increasing generation of cGMP



PATENT-1

PATENT-2

CLINICAL TRIALS

CHEST-1

CHEST-2

**PATENT-1**

**Riociguat** for the **Treatment** of Arterial  
**Hypertension**

The **safety** and **efficacy** of ***riociguat*** in PAH

The NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL of MEDICINE

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

# Riociguat for the Treatment of Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension

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Ghofrani HA, Galie N, Grimminger F, et al. Riociguat for the treatment of pulmonary arterial hypertension. *N Eng J Med* 2013;369:330-40.

# PATENT-1 trial



An international {30 countries}

Multicenter {24 centers}

Randomized

placebo controlled clinical trial.<sup>16</sup>

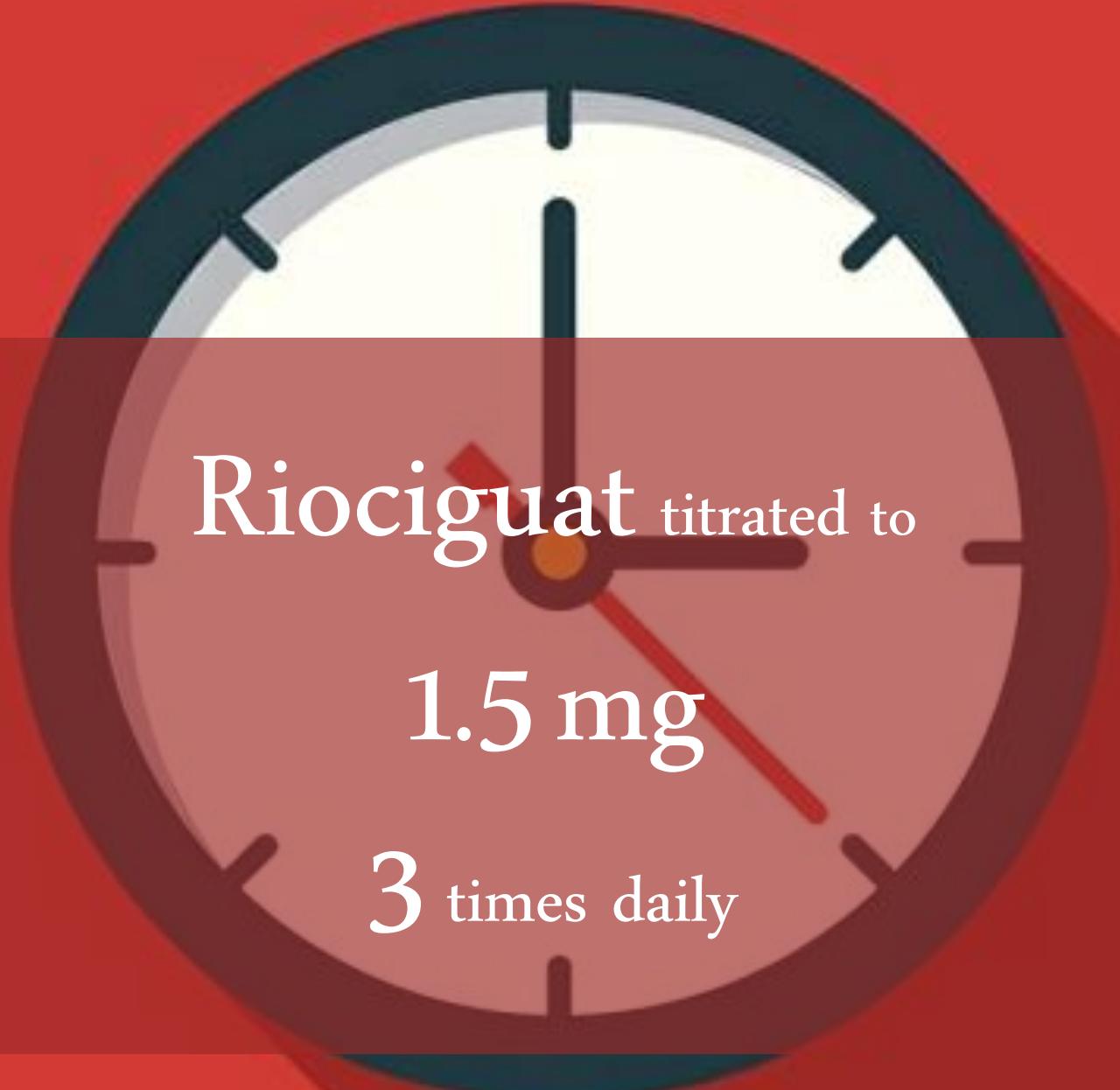
■ Countries where patients were recruited

PATENT -1

443 patients  
with PAH  
12-week



# PATENT -1



Riociguat titrated to  
1.5 mg  
3 times daily

# PATENT -1

or

Riociguat titrated to

2.5 mg

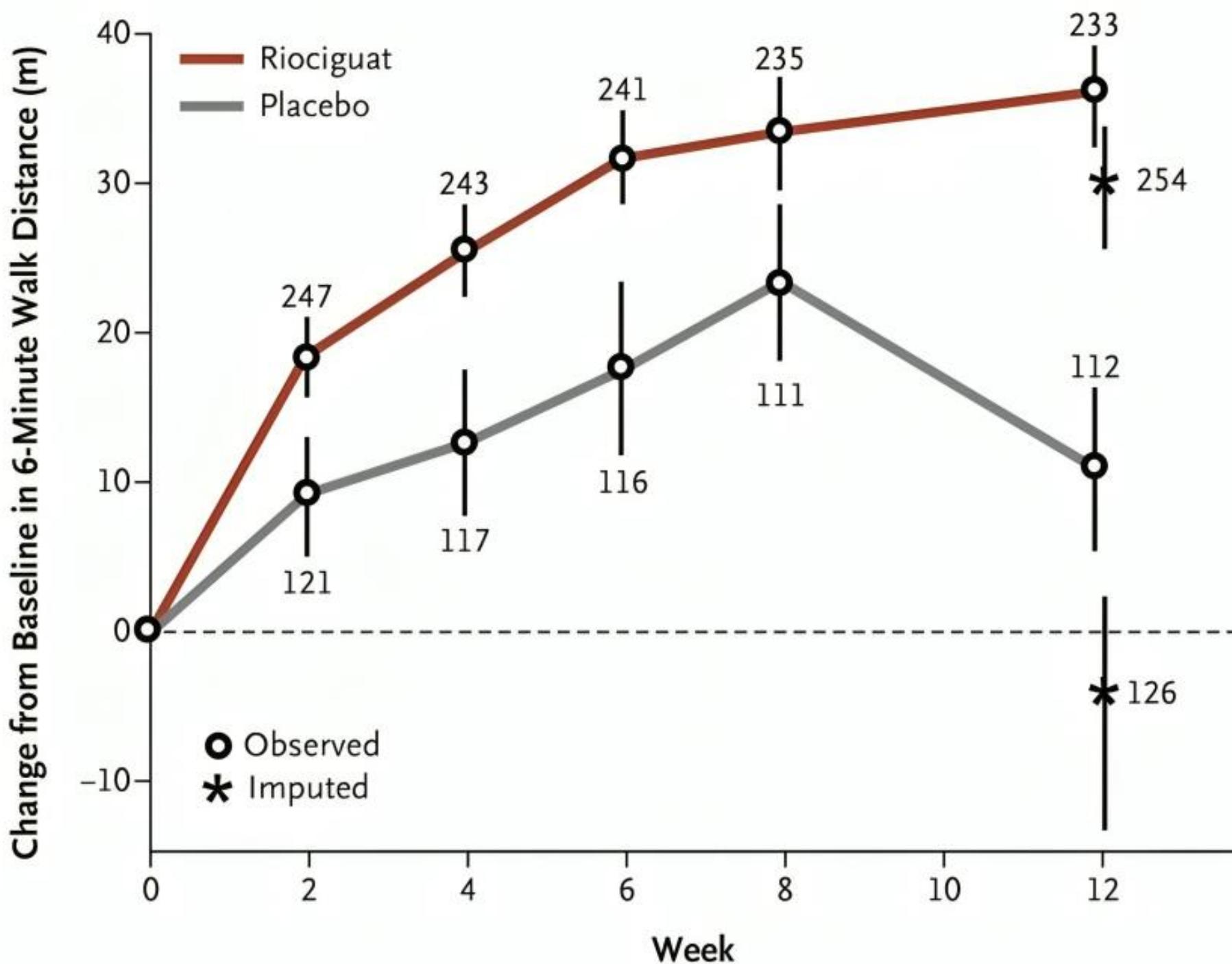
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# PATENT -1

Increasing  
6MWD

30 meters at 12

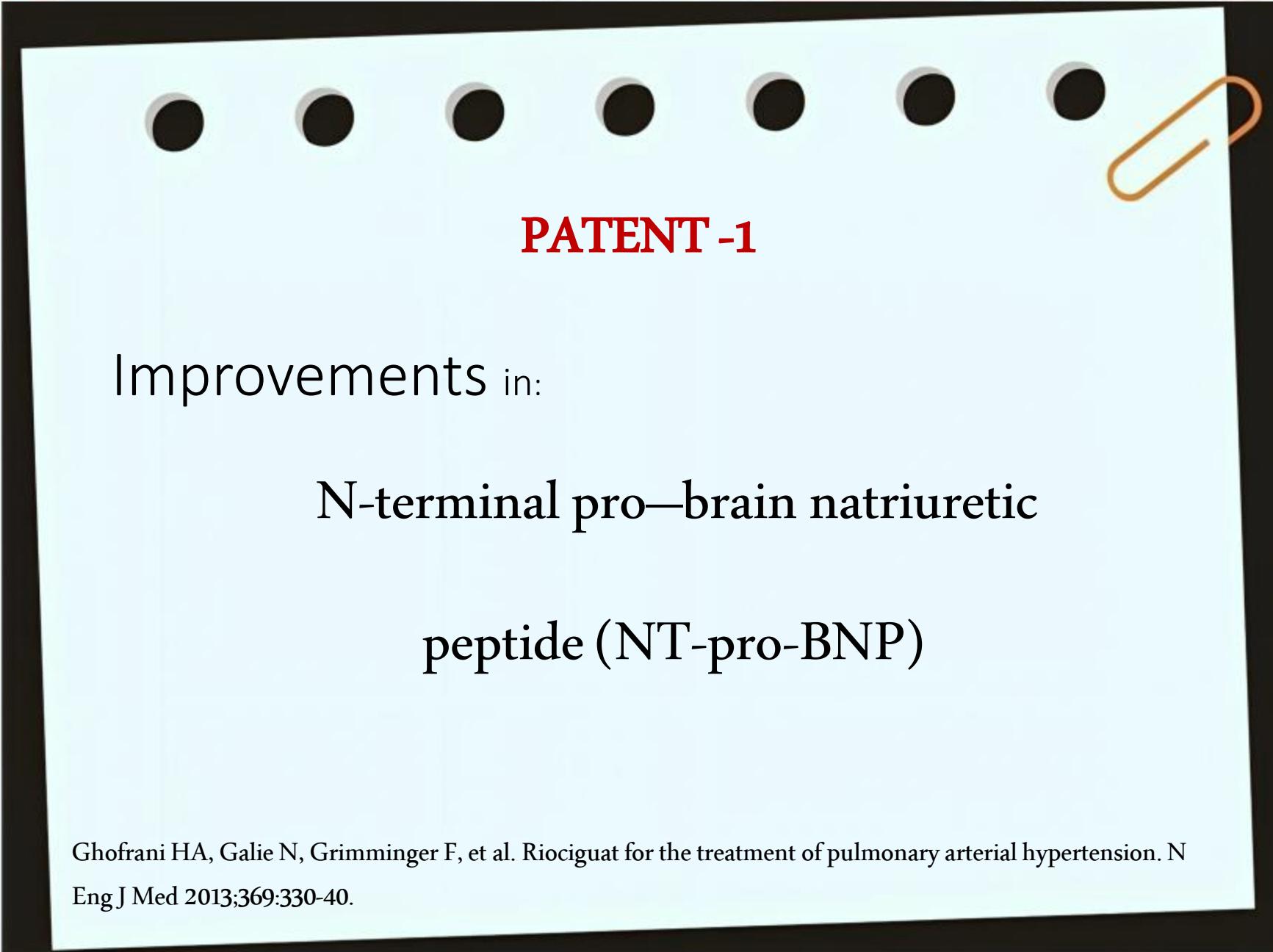
weeks



**PATENT -1**

# Improvements in: PVR

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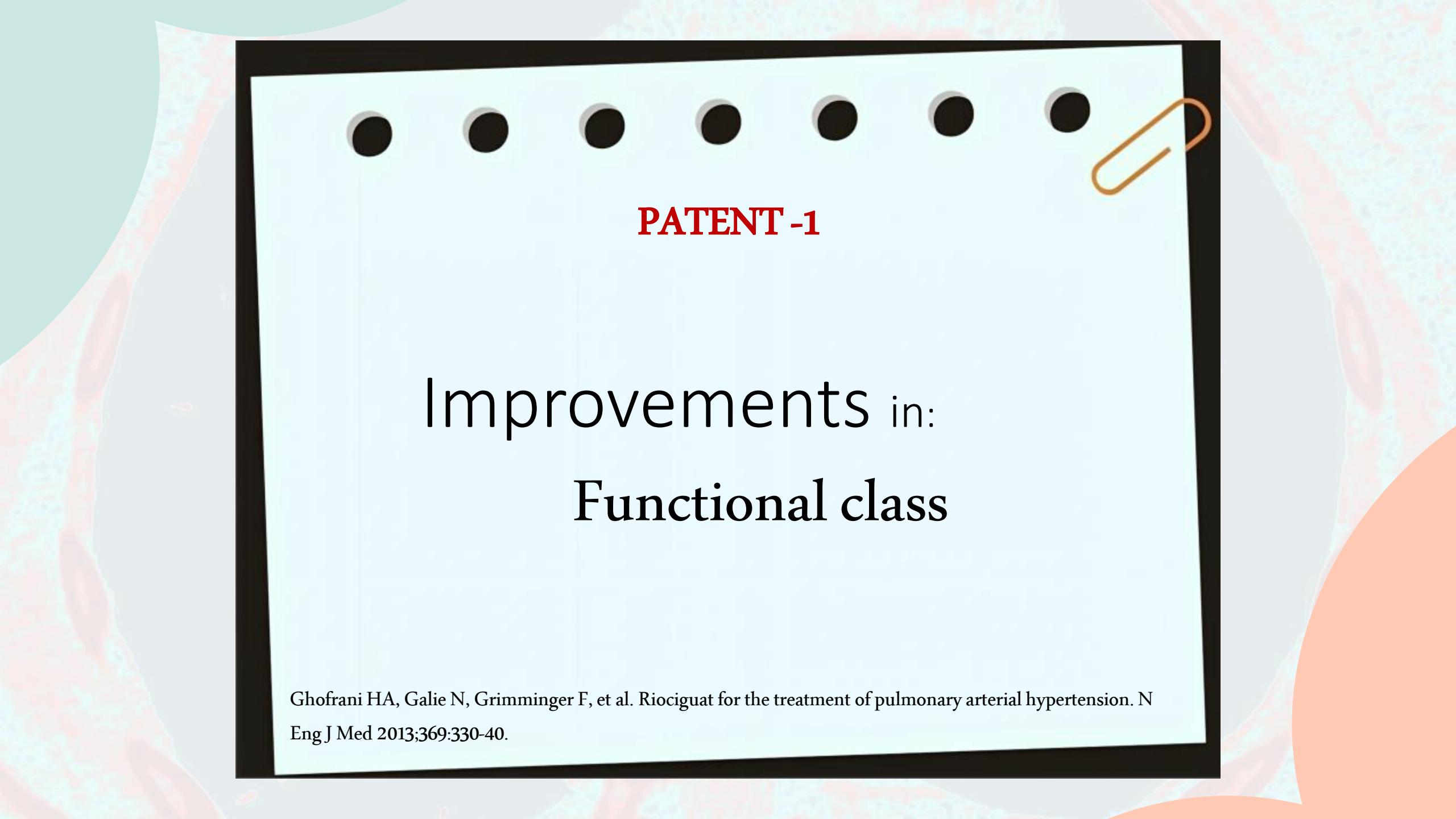


## PATENT -1

Improvements in:

N-terminal pro-brain natriuretic  
peptide (NT-pro-BNP)

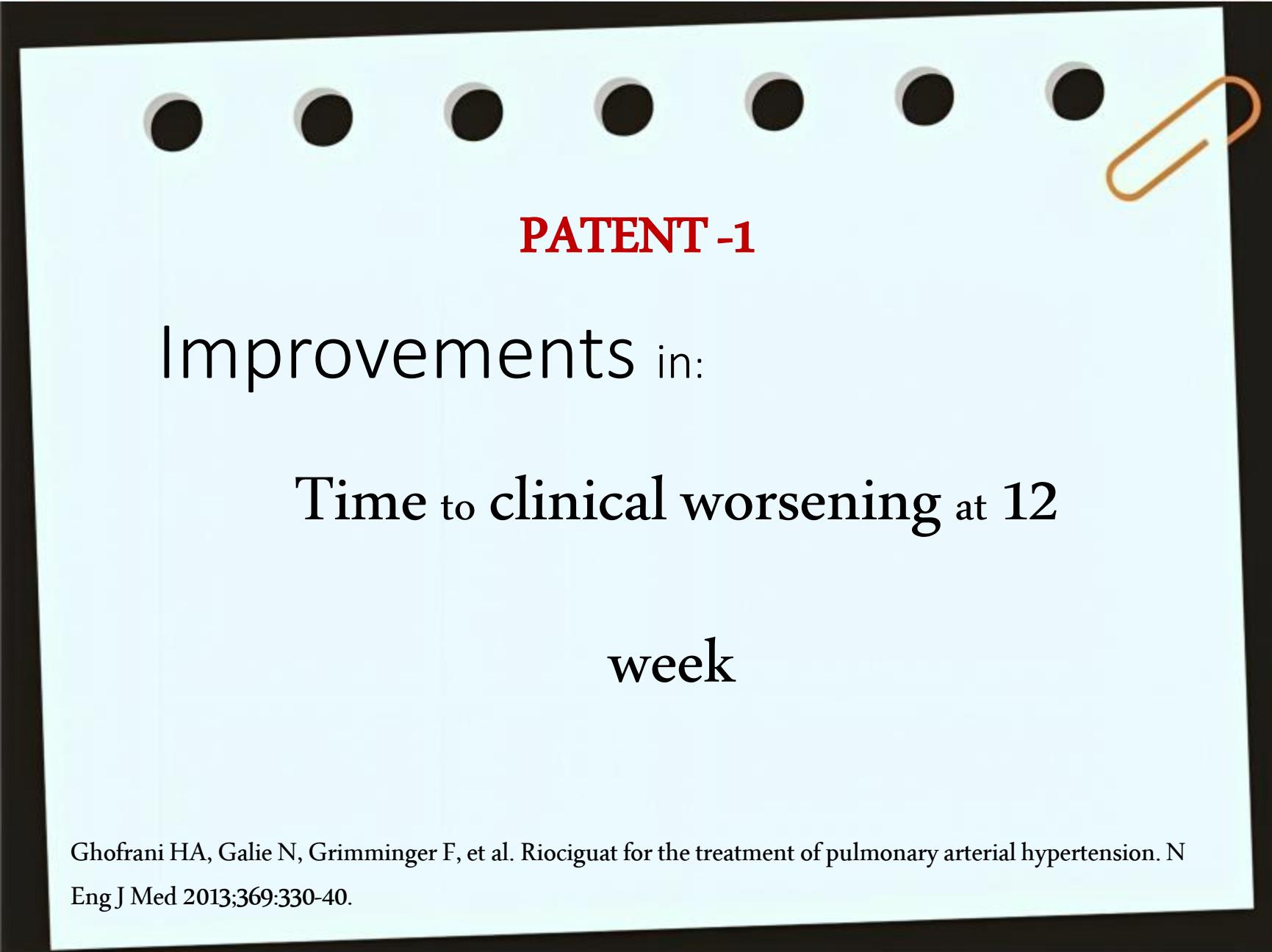
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**PATENT -1**

# Improvements in: Functional class

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Improvements in:

Time to clinical worsening at 12

week

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PATENT-2

CLINICAL TRIALS





# Riociguat for the treatment of pulmonary arterial hypertension: a long-term extension study (PATENT-2)

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PATENT-2

A multicenter  
Open-label  
Single-group study

## PATENT-2

Conducted in 97 of the 124 centers that participated in

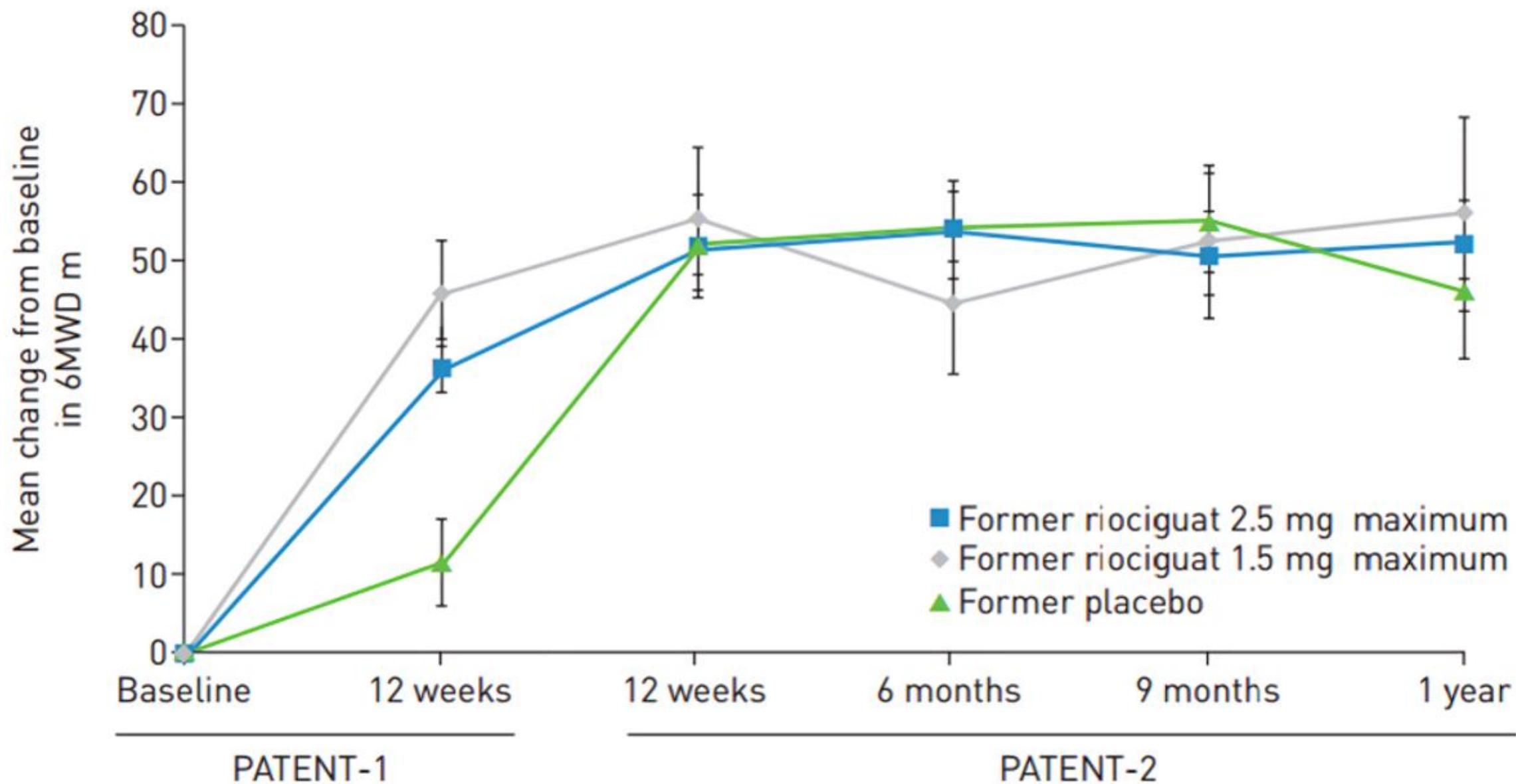
## PATENT-1

The study consisted of an 8-week



PATENT 2

6MWD



# PATENT-2

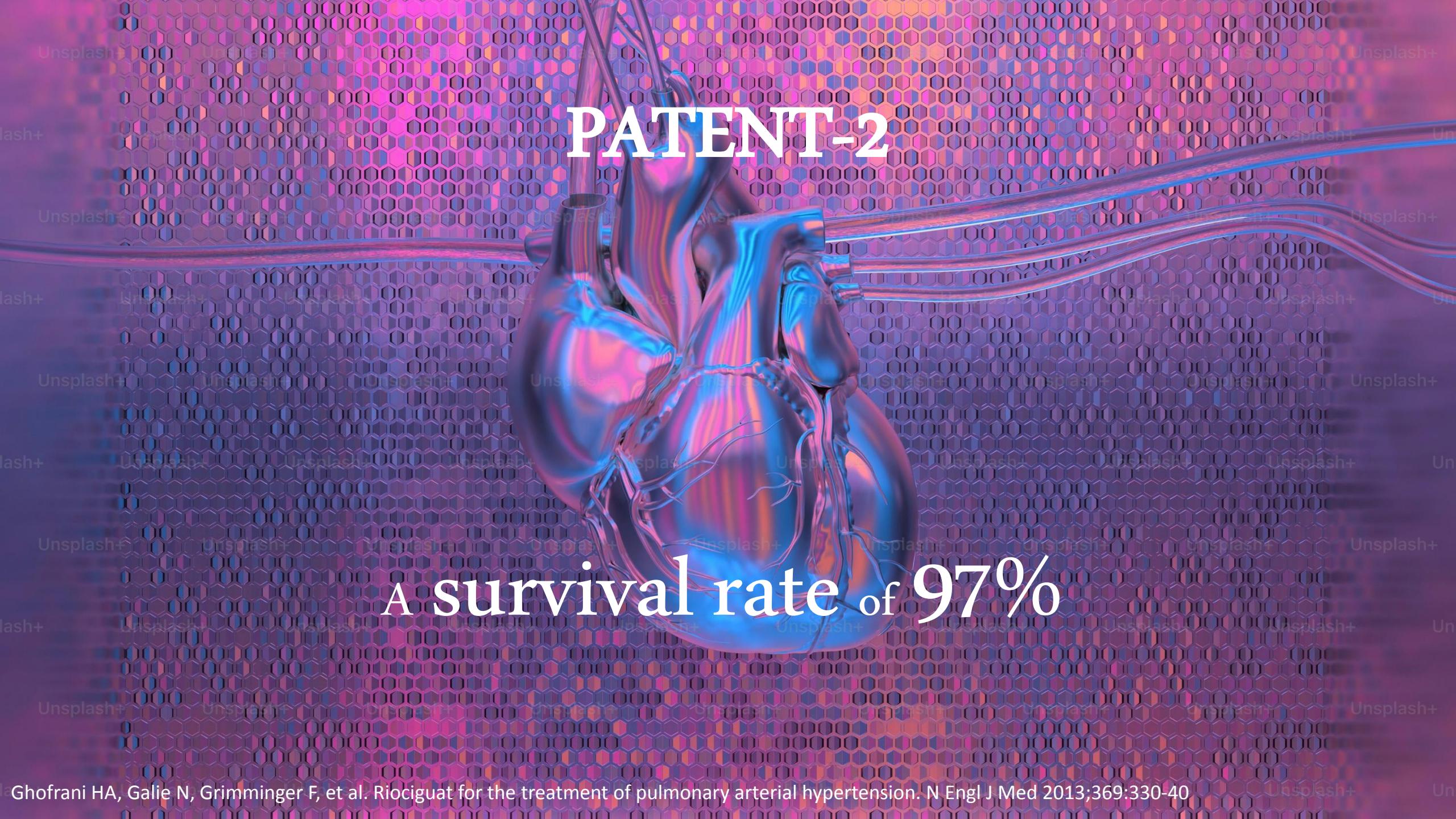
Improvements in exercise capacity and  
Functional capacity

# PATENT-2

**Improvement in 6MWD at 24 weeks**

**Maintained for up to 1 year of in the long-term extension  
study**

# PATENT-2



A survival rate of 97%



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<http://www.jhltonline.org>



## Comparison of hemodynamic parameters in treatment-naïve and pre-treated patients with pulmonary arterial hypertension in the randomized phase III PATENT-1 study

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**Soluble Guanylate  
Cyclase (sGC)**

**Stimulator:**

**Riociguat**

(ADEMPAS)

**PLACEBO**

**Soluble Guanylate**

**Cyclase (sGC)**

**Stimulator:**

**Riociguat**

(ADEMPAS)

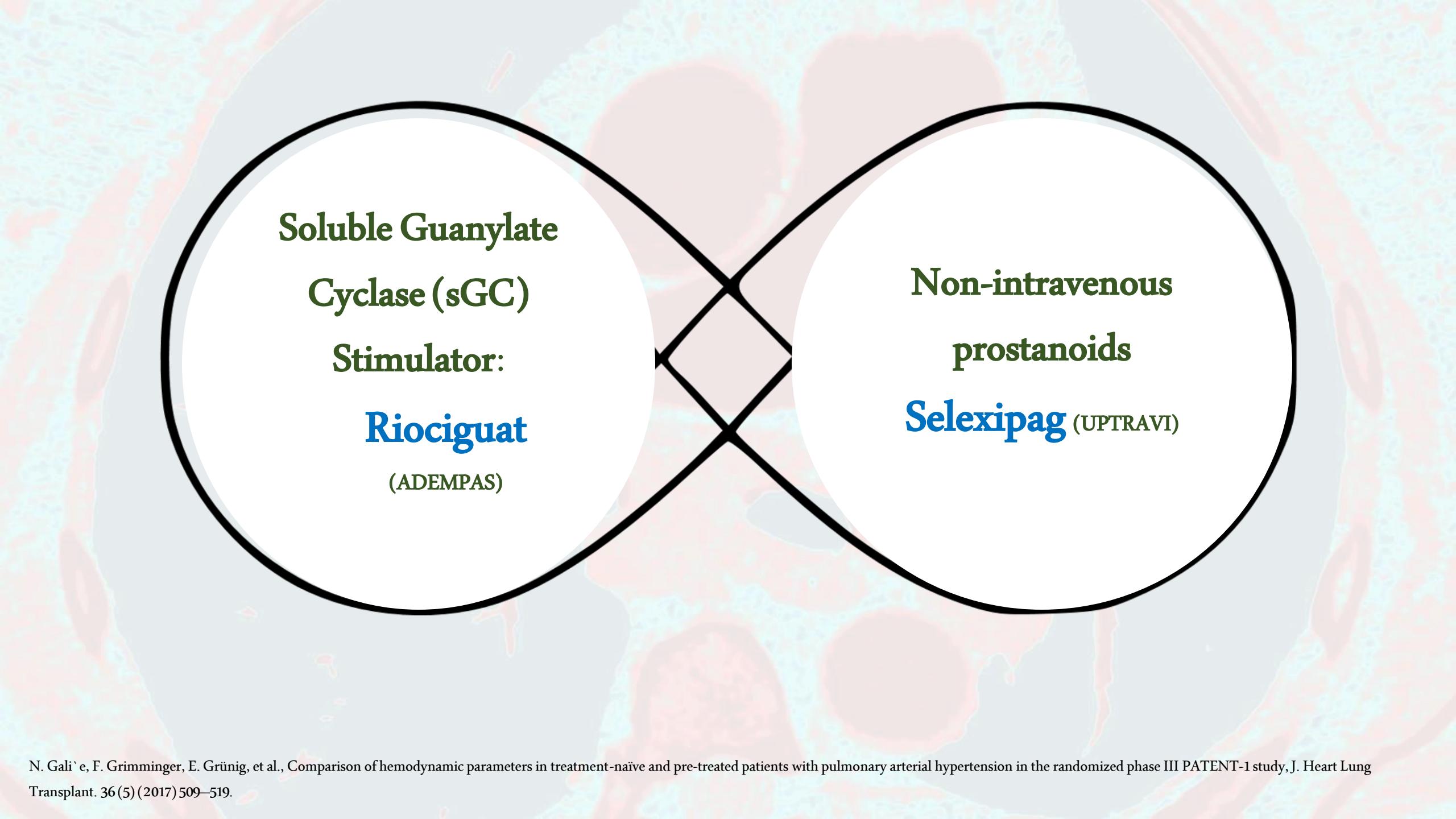
**Endothelin Receptor**

**Antagonists:**

**Bosentan** (TRACLEER)

**Macitentan** (OPSUMIT)

**Ambrisentan** (LETARIS)



**Soluble Guanylate**

Cyclase (sGC)

Stimulator:

**Riociguat**

(ADEMPAS)

**Non-intravenous  
prostanoids**

**Selexipag** (UPTRAVI)

# Riociguat + ERAs +- Non-intravenous prostanoids



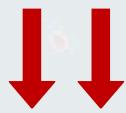
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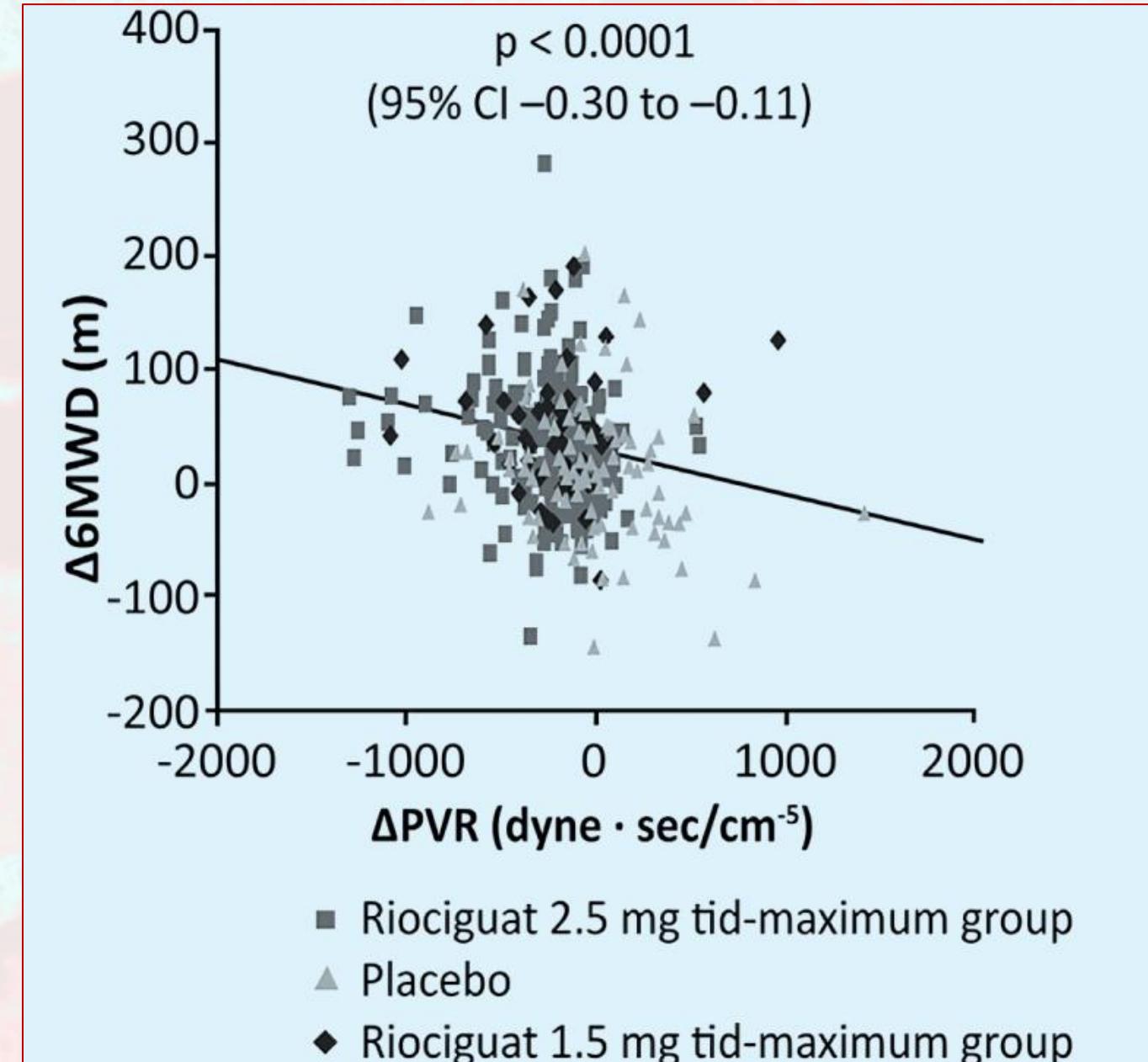
## Mean Arterial Pressure

(both  $p < 0.0001$ )

Riociguat + ERAs +- Non-intravenous prostanoids



Pulmonary vascular resistance(PVR)



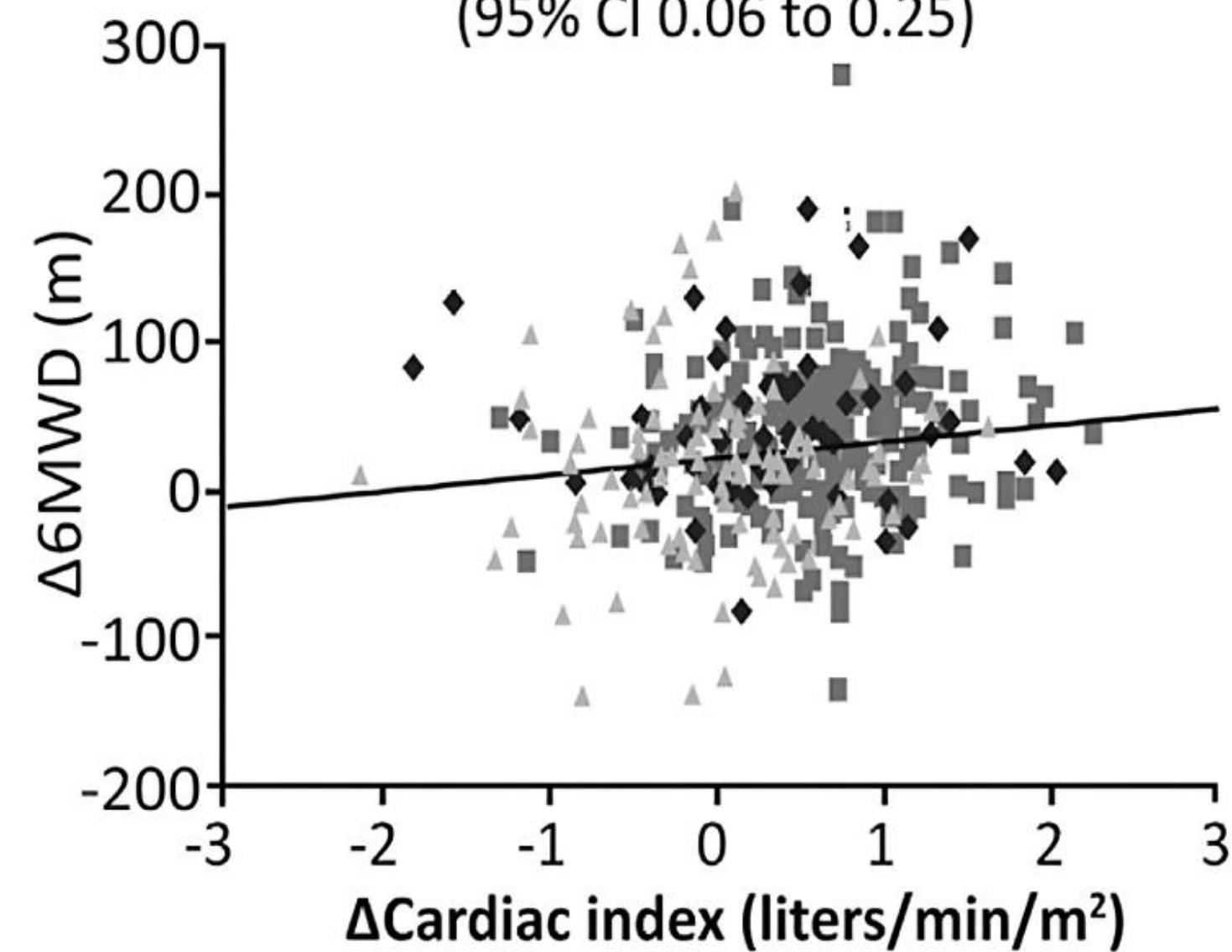
# Cardiac Index



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$r = 0.16$   
 $p < 0.0016$   
(95% CI 0.06 to 0.25)



## PATENT-2



Riociguat is

An effective long term

treatment for PAH

as a **Monotherapy or Combination**

**therapy**

# CHEST-1

CLINICAL TRIALS

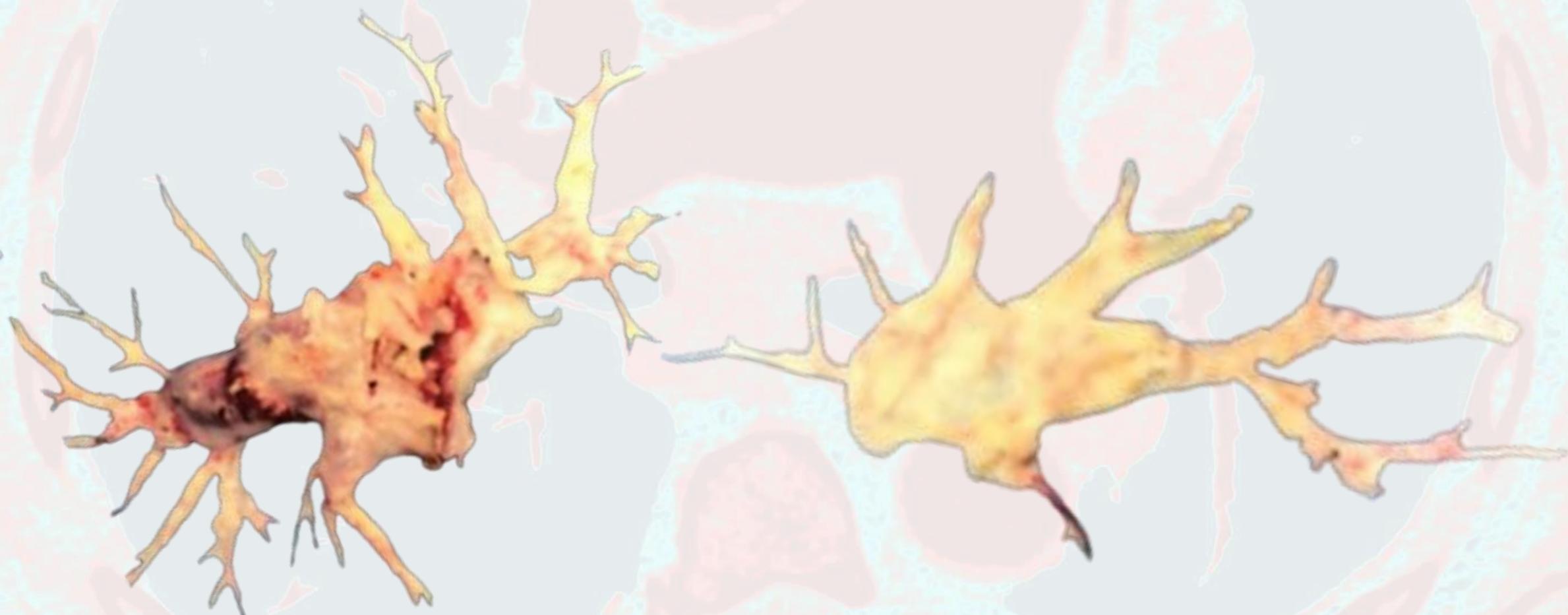
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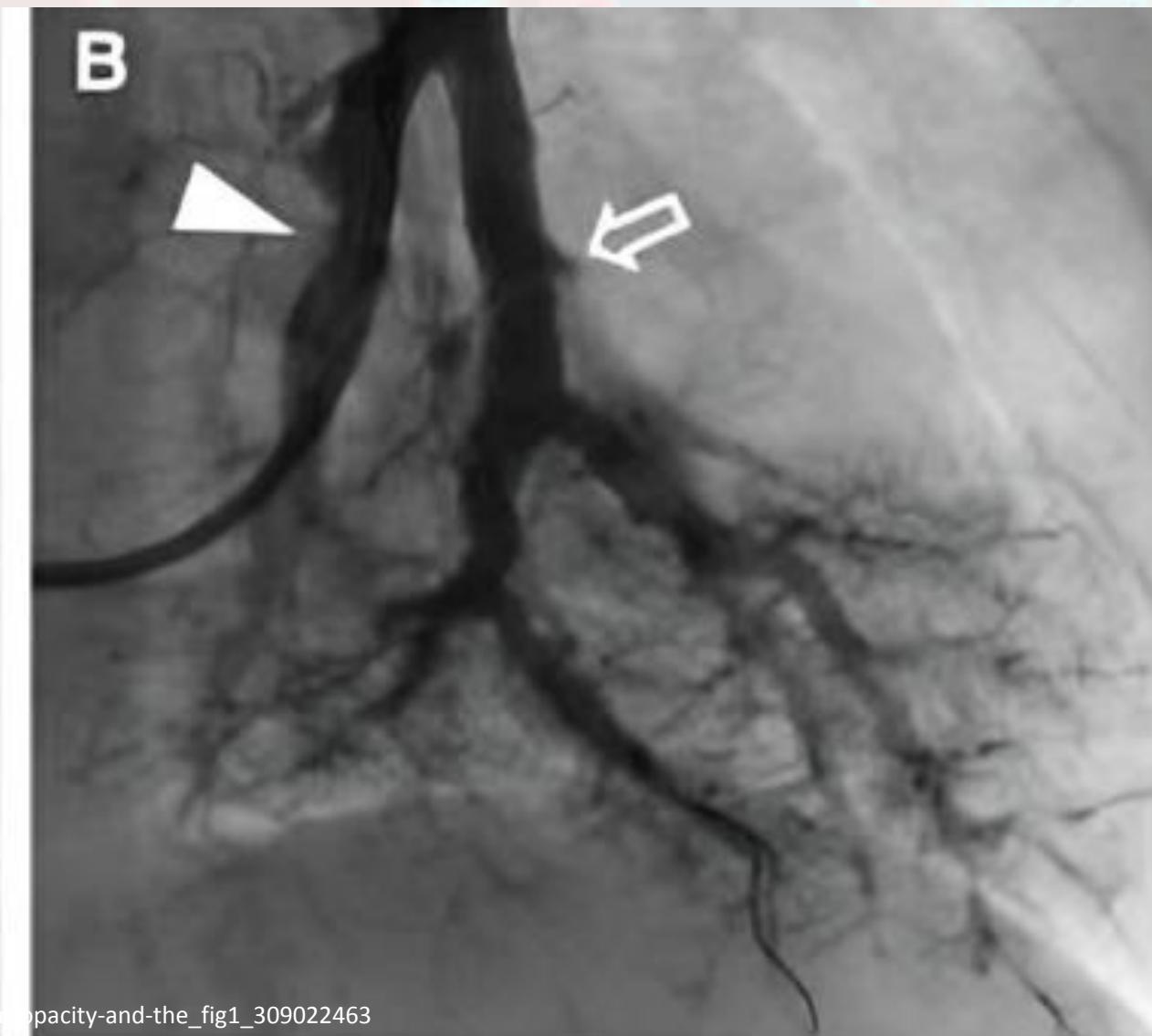
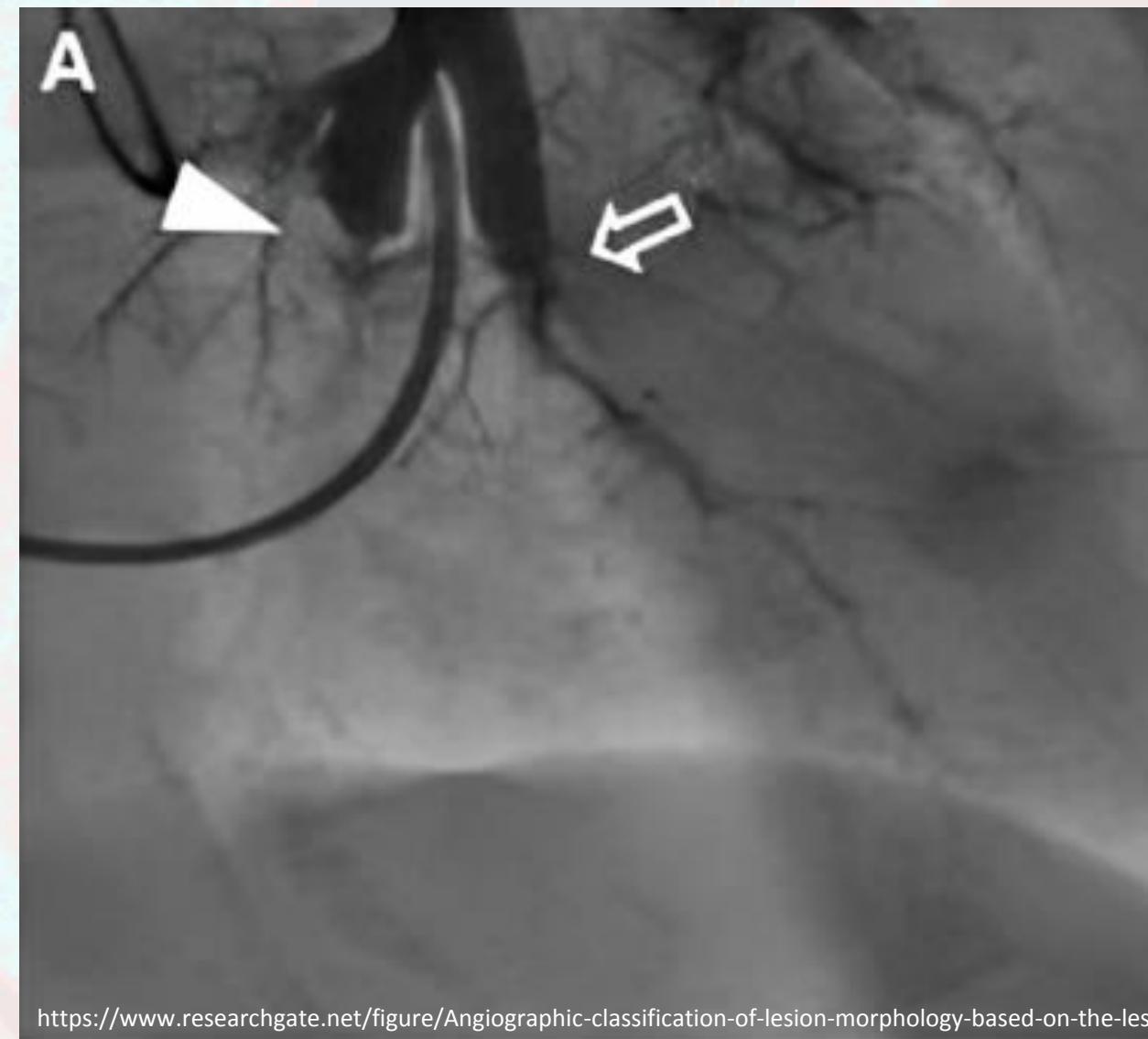
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# Pulmonary Thromboendarterectomy (PTE)



# Balloon Pulmonary Angioplasty

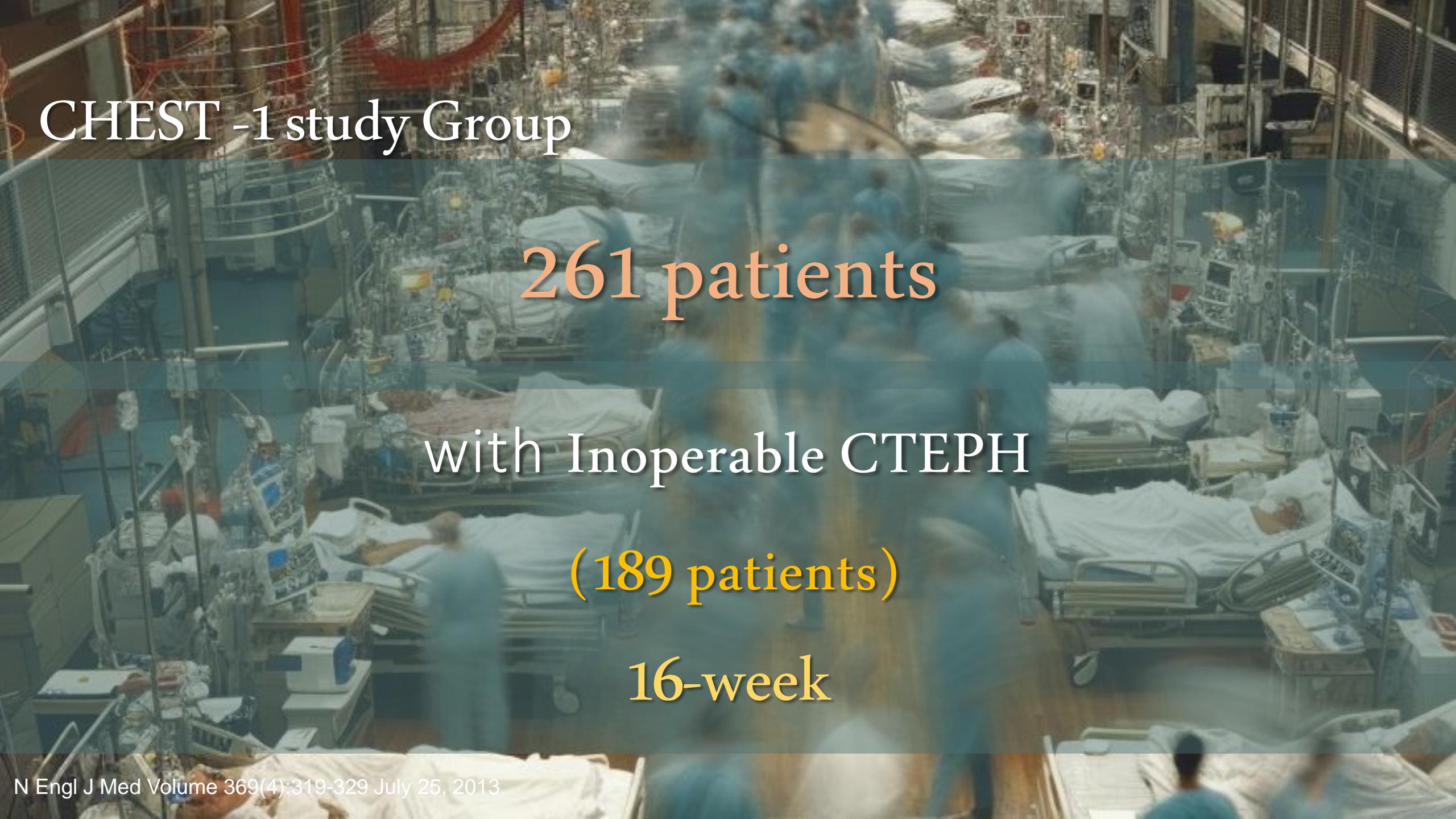


# CHEST -1 study Group



A multicenter  
Randomized  
placebo-controlled trial

■ Countries where patients were recruited



CHEST -1 study Group

261 patients

with Inoperable CTEPH

(189 patients)

16-week

CHEST -1 study Group

261 patients

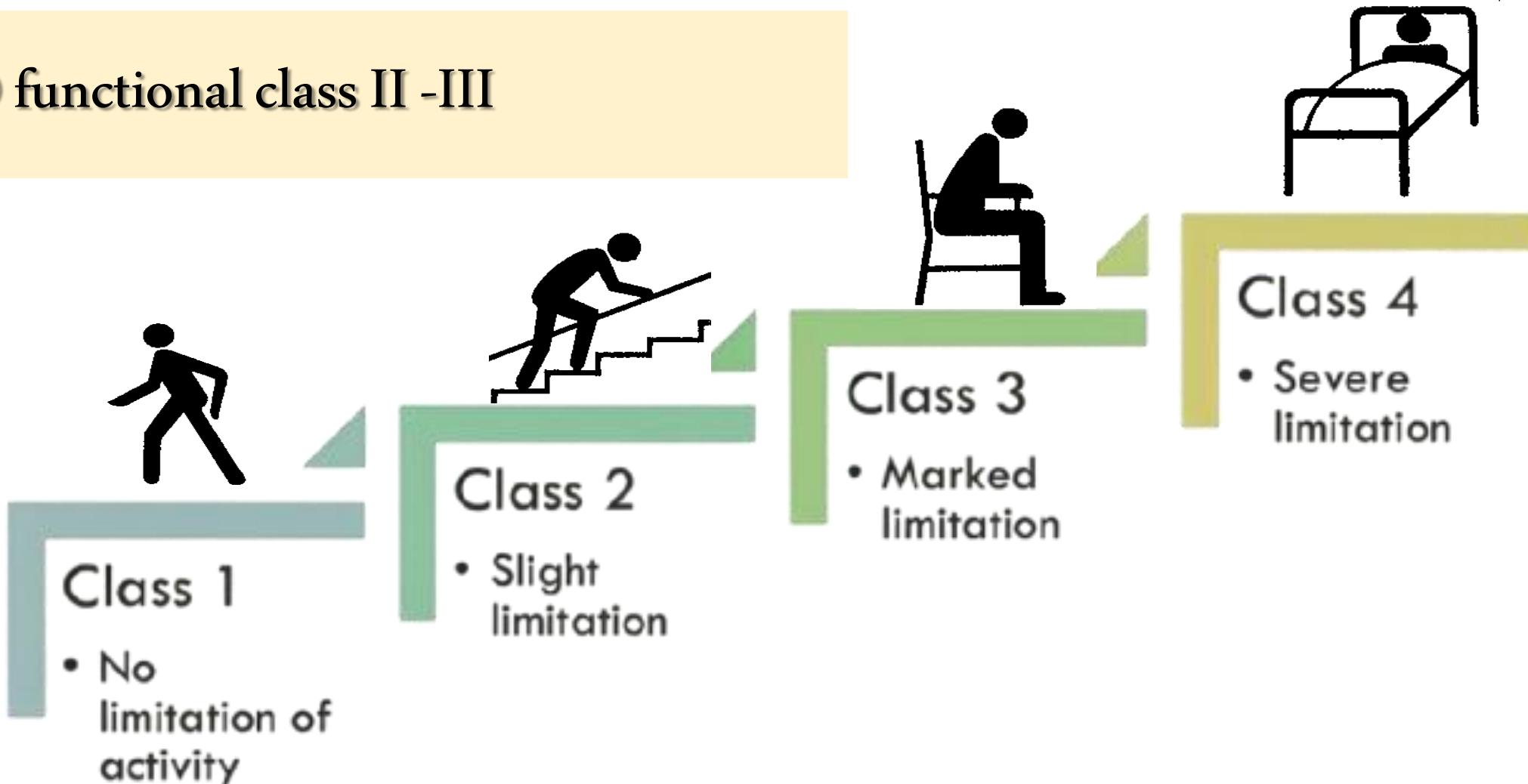
with persistent PH following PTE

(72 patients)

16-week

# CHEST -1 study Group

## WHO functional class II -III

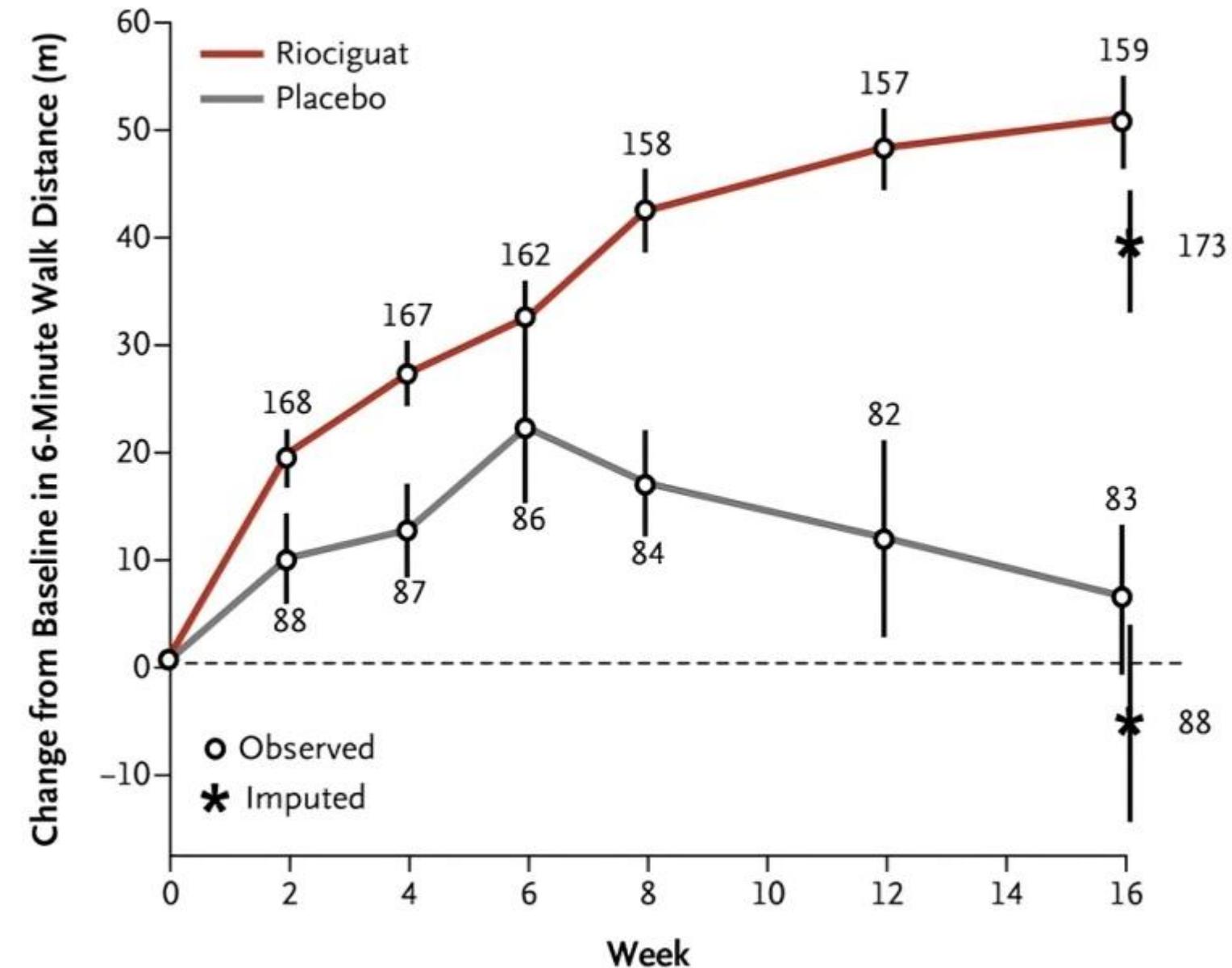


## CHEST -1 study

Group

Mean Change from  
Baseline in the 6-  
Minute Walk Distance

6MWD  
increased 39 m



# CHEST -1 study Group



Pulmonary hemodynamics

PVR

↓ ↓ [2.8 Wood units]



CHEST-2

CLINICAL TRIALS



# CHEST-2 : Predictors of long-term outcomes

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**Patients treated with Riociguat**

for

**Chronic Thromboembolic Pulmonary  
Hypertension**

# CHEST-2

**Open-label**

**Randomized**

**Long-term extension trial**

A follow-up long-term extension study (CHEST-2) reported that...

Prolonged therapy for up to two years with Riociguat

resulted in a

similar efficacy and safety profile

# SUMMARY



High Quality evidence...

# Riociguat

Group 01

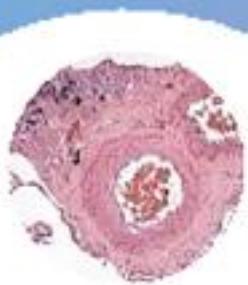
PAH

Group IV

CTPAH

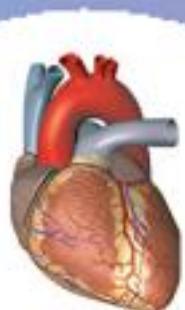
## CLINICAL CLASSIFICATION

### Pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH)



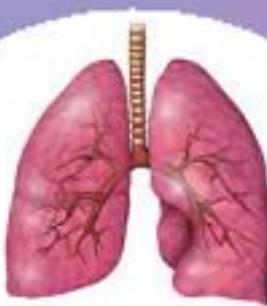
- Idiopathic/heritable
- Associated conditions

### PH associated with left heart disease



- IpcPH
- CpcPH

### PH associated with lung disease



- Non-severe PH
- Severe PH

### PH associated with pulmonary artery obstructions



- CTEPH
- Other pulmonary obstructions

### PH with unclear and/or multifactorial mechanisms



- Haematological disorders
- Systemic disorders

## THERAPEUTIC STRATEGIES

### Medical therapy

- PAH drugs
- CCB in responders

### Lung transplantation

### IpcPH:

- Treatment of LHD<sup>a</sup>

### CpcPH:

- Treatment of LHD<sup>a</sup>
- Potentially: PAH drugs (trials)

### PH-lung disease:

- Optimized care of underlying lung disease

### Severe PH:

- Potentially: PAH drugs (trials)

### Surgical therapy:

- PEA
- Interventional:
  - BPA
- Medical therapy:
  - PH drugs

### Optimized treatment of underlying disease

- Potentially: PAH drugs (trials)



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# WHO functional class I

**Monotherapy** with a **PAH-specific agent**

PDE5I

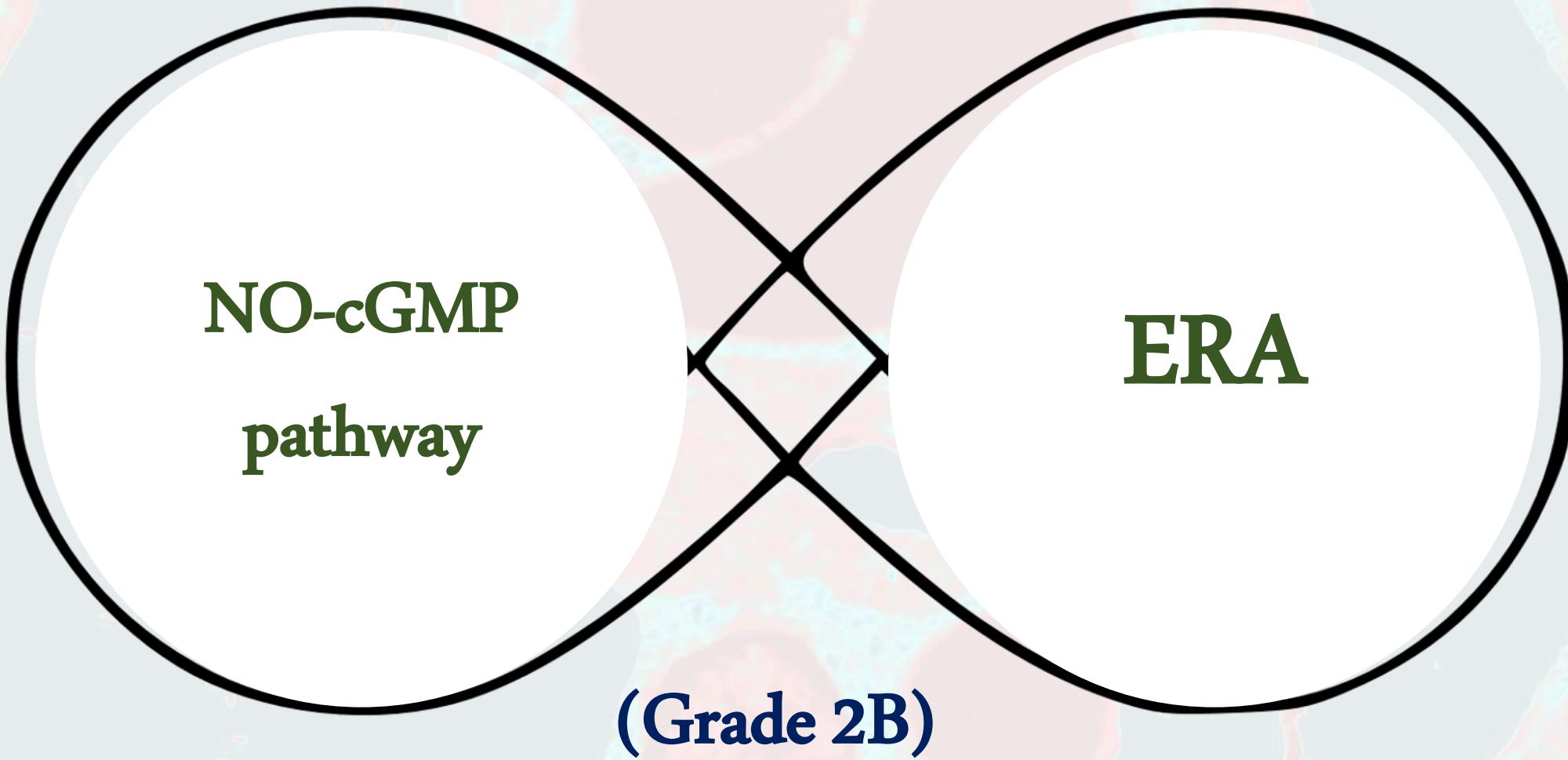
ERA

Riociguat

(Grade 2C)

rather than no treatment

# WHO functional class II/III



# WHO functional class IV

Prostanoid IV  
Epoprostenol

PDE 5  
inhibitor

(Grade 2C)

# WHO functional class IV



# SUCCESS

*The management of  
Pulmonary  
Hypertension*



1. Identify Groups
2. Identify Clinical  
PAH-disease
3. PAH-directed  
therapies
4. **Supportive therapy**

# Supportive Therapy

Oral Anticoagulants

Diuretics

Digoxin

A photograph showing three women in a gym setting, performing a seated side stretch exercise. They are sitting on the floor with their legs bent and feet flat against a blue padded bench. Each woman has one hand on her knee and the other hand resting on the floor next to her knee, stretching their torso to the side. They are wearing light-colored t-shirts and dark leggings or pants. The background shows a bright, modern gym environment.

# Exercise rehabilitation

1A

**حدد الخيار الخطأ فيما يلي:**

A. فائدة تمارين اللياقة البدنية في مرضي ارتفاع ضغط الشريان الرئوي المستقرين على العلاج الدوائي كبيرة

B. ينبغي الانتباه للأمراض القلبية المرافقة للمرضى المصابين بارتفاع ضغط الشريان الرئوي من حيث التسخيص والعلاج.

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A

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# Clinical classification of PH

## (updated)

## GROUP 1 Pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH)

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1.5 PAH with features of venous/capillary (PVOD/PCH) involvement

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## GROUP 2 PH associated with left heart disease

### 2.1 Heart failure:

2.1.1 with preserved ejection fraction

2.1.2 with reduced or mildly reduced ejection fraction

### 2.2 Valvular heart disease

### 2.3 Congenital/acquired cardiovascular conditions leading to post-capillary

PH

## GROUP 3 PH associated with lung diseases and/or hypoxia

3.1 Obstructive lung disease or emphysema

3.2 Restrictive lung disease

(LAM)

3.3 Lung disease with mixed restrictive/obstructive pattern

3.4 Hypoventilation syndromes

3.5 Hypoxia without lung disease (e.g. high altitude)

3.6 Developmental lung disorders

## GROUP 5 PH with unclear and/or multifactorial mechanisms

5.1 Haematological disorders

5.2 Systemic disorders

5.3 Metabolic disorders

**5.4 Chronic renal failure with or without haemodialysis**

5.5 Pulmonary tumour thrombotic microangiopathy

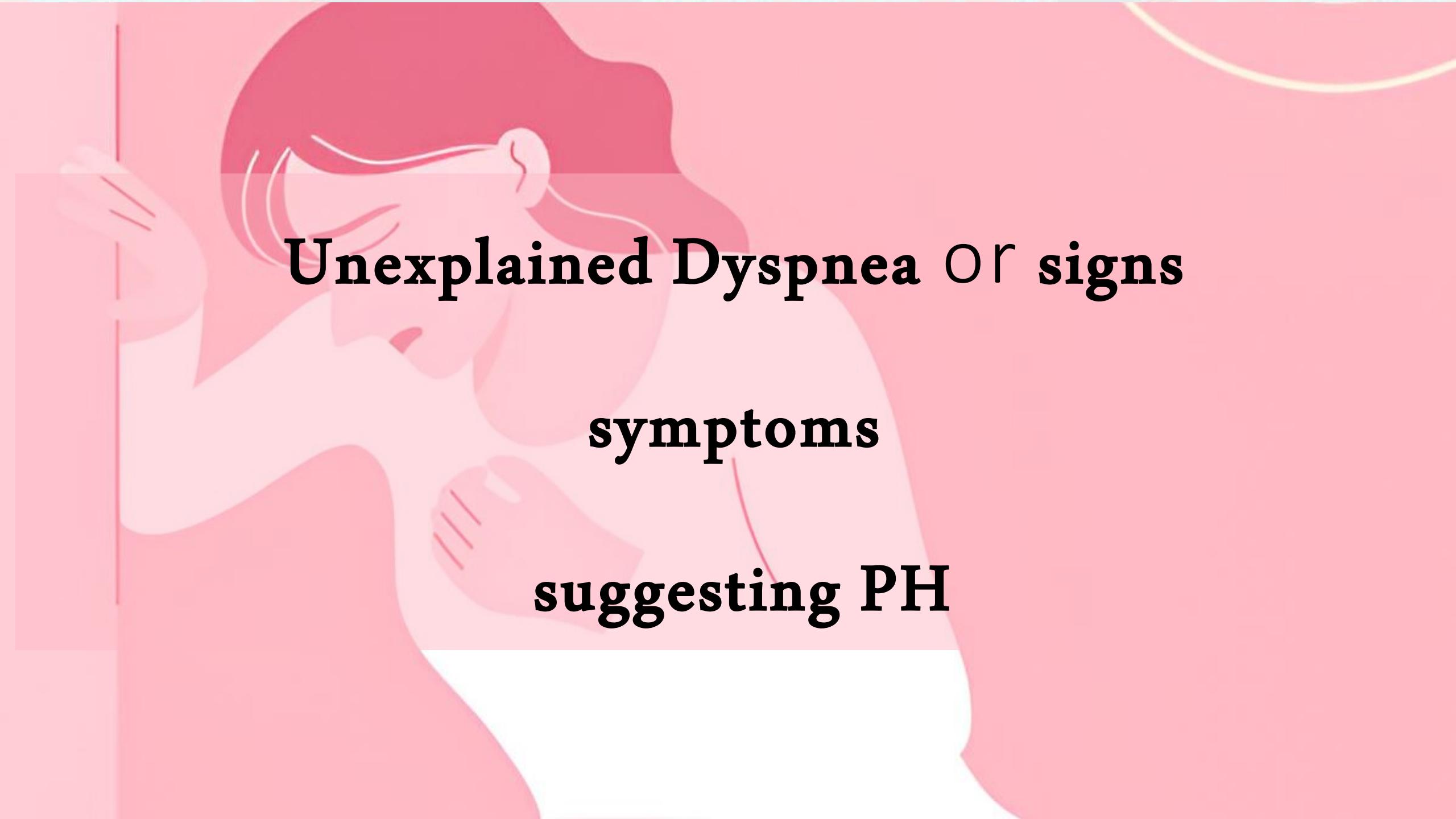
5.6 Fibrosing mediastinitis

# Diagnostic algorithm steps for PH



# Step 1

# Suspicion



**Unexplained Dyspnea Or signs**

**symptoms**

**suggesting PH**

**Early**

**Late**

## Symptoms

- Dyspnoea on exertion (WHO-FC)
- Fatigue and rapid exhaustion
- Dyspnoea when bending forward (bendopnoea)
- Palpitations
- Haemoptysis
- Exercise-induced abdominal distension and nausea
- Weight gain due to fluid retention
- Syncope (during or shortly after physical exertion)

### Rare symptoms due to pulmonary artery dilation<sup>a</sup>

- Exertional chest pain:  
dynamic compression of the left main coronary artery
- Hoarseness (dysphonia):  
compression of the left laryngeal recurrent nerve  
(cardiovocal or Ortner's syndrome)
- Shortness of breath, wheezing, cough, lower respiratory tract infection, atelectasis:  
compression of the bronchi

## Signs of PH

- Central, peripheral, or mixed cyanosis
- Accentuated pulmonary component of the second heart sound
- RV third heart sound
- Systolic murmur of tricuspid regurgitation
- Diastolic murmur of pulmonary regurgitation

## Signs of RV backward failure

- Distended and pulsating jugular veins
- Abdominal distension
- Hepatomegaly
- Ascites
- Peripheral oedema

## Signs pointing towards underlying cause of PH

- Digital clubbing: Cyanotic CHD, fibrotic lung disease, bronchiectasis, PVOD, or liver disease
- Differential clubbing/cyanosis: PDA/Eisenmenger's syndrome
- Auscultatory findings (crackles or wheezing, murmurs): lung or heart disease
- Sequelae of DVT, venous insufficiency: CTEPH
- Telangiectasia: HHT or SSc
- Sclerodactyly, Raynaud's phenomenon, digital ulceration, GORD: SSc

## Signs of RV forward failure

- Peripheral cyanosis (blue lips and tips)
- Dizziness
- Pallor
- Cool extremities
- Prolonged capillary refill

# Prognosis





# Prognosis

Estimated  
one year - Mortality

Determinants of prognosis  
(estimated 1-year mortality)

Low risk  
(5%)

Intermediate risk  
(5–20%)

High risk  
(20%)

## Clinical observations and modifiable variables

Determinants of prognosis (estimated 1-year mortality)	Low risk (5%)	Intermediate risk (5–20%)	High risk (20%)
<b>Clinical observations and modifiable variables</b>			
<b>Signs of right HF</b>	Absent	Absent	Present
<b>Progression of symptoms and clinical manifestations</b>	No	Slow	Rapid

Determinants of prognosis (estimated 1-year mortality)	Low risk (5%)	Intermediate risk (5–20%)	High risk (20%)
<b>Clinical observations and modifiable variables</b>			
Syncope	No	Occasional syncope	Repeated syncope
WHO-FC	I, II	III	IV
6MWDC	>440 m	165–440 m	<165 m
CPET	Peak VO <sub>2</sub> >15 mL/min/kg (>65% pred.) VE/CO <sub>2</sub> slope <36	Peak VO <sub>2</sub> 11–15 mL/min/kg (35–65% pred.) VE/CO <sub>2</sub> slope 36–44	Peak VO <sub>2</sub> <11 mL/min/kg (<35% pred.) VE/VCO <sub>2</sub> slope >44

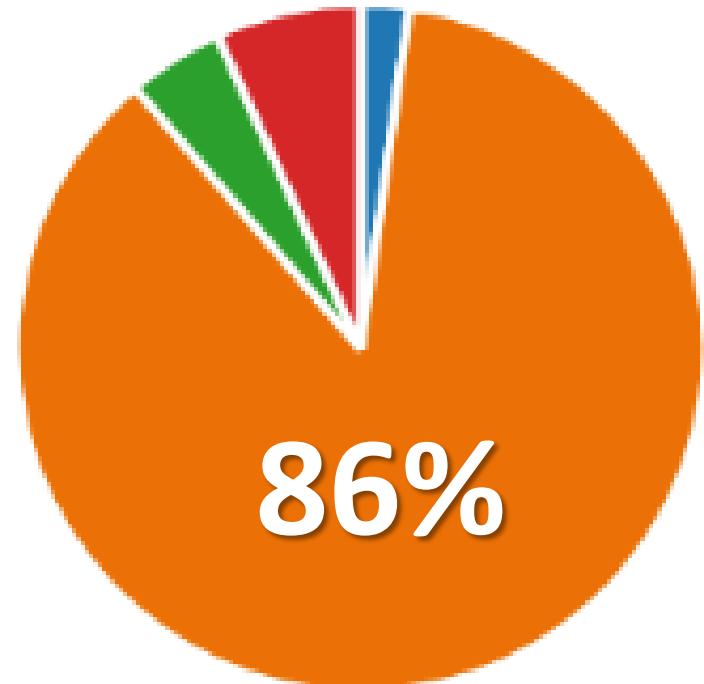
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6-minute walking  
distance

< 165 m



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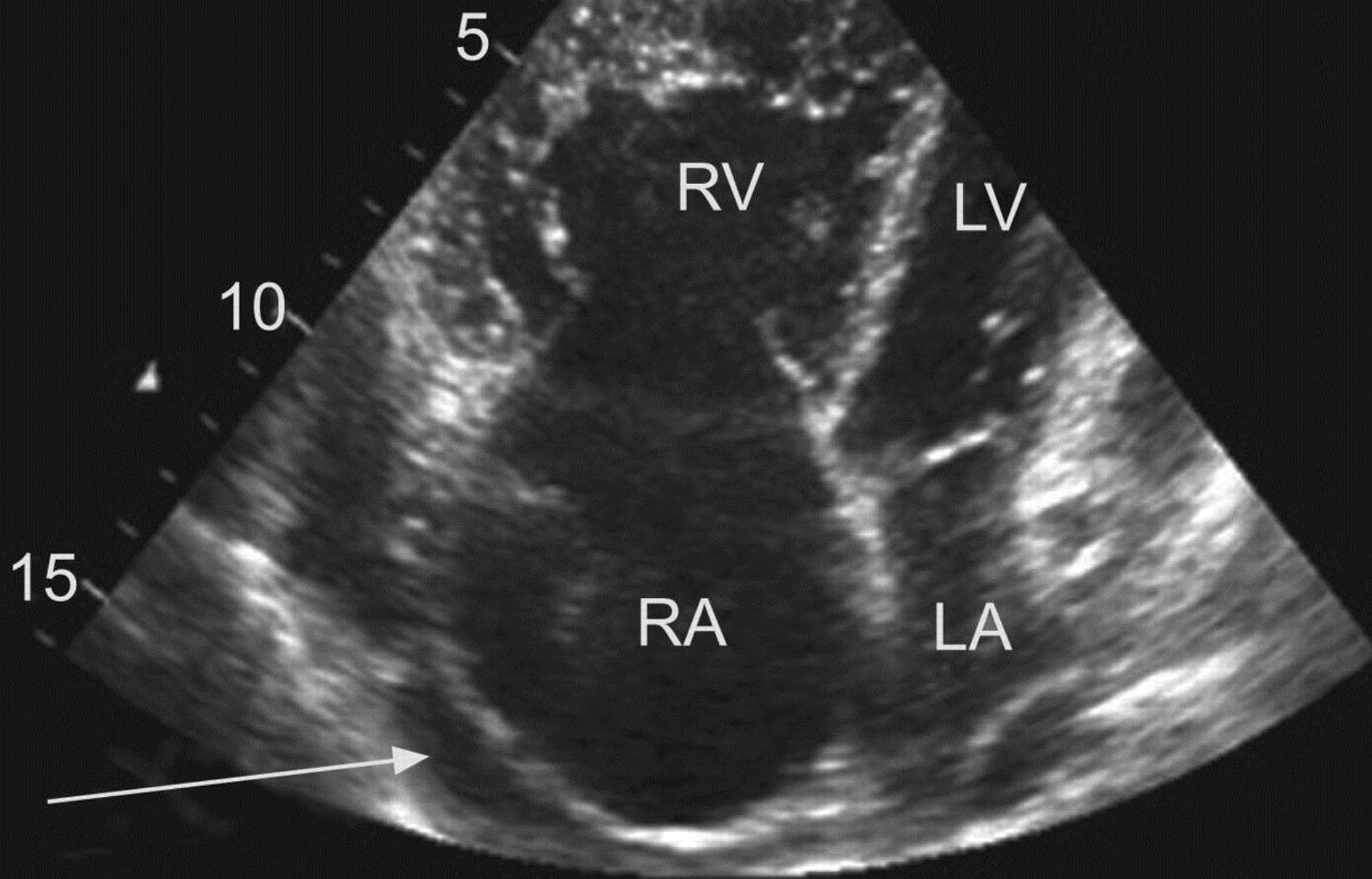
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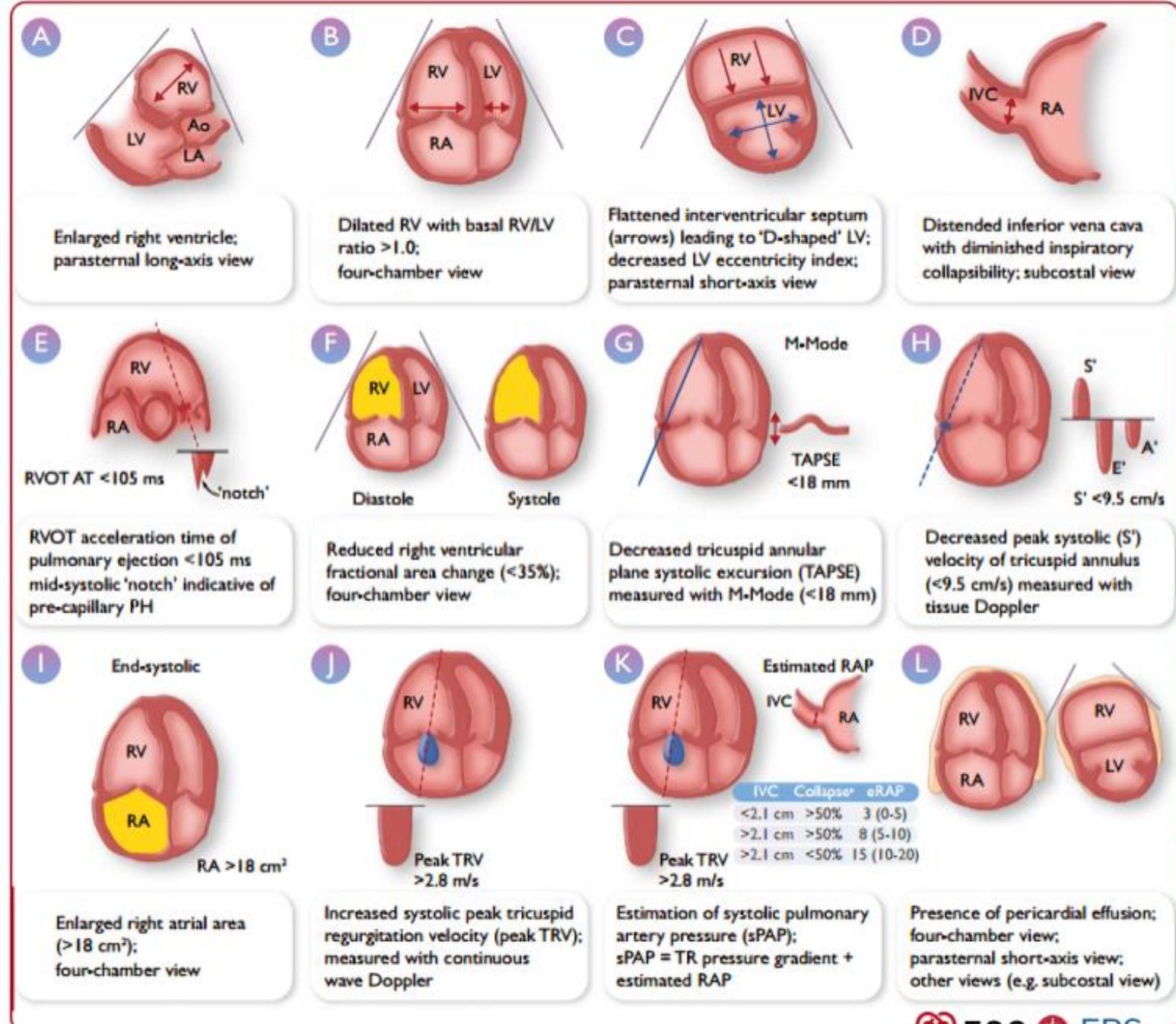
# Step 2 Detection

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# Transthoracic echocardiographic parameters



# Echo



Echo



## Determinants of prognosis (estimated 1-year mortality)

Low risk (5%)	Intermediate risk (5–20%)	High risk (20%)

Echo



## Determinants of prognosis (estimated 1-year mortality)

Low risk (5%)	Intermediate risk (5–20%)	High risk (20%)
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Echo



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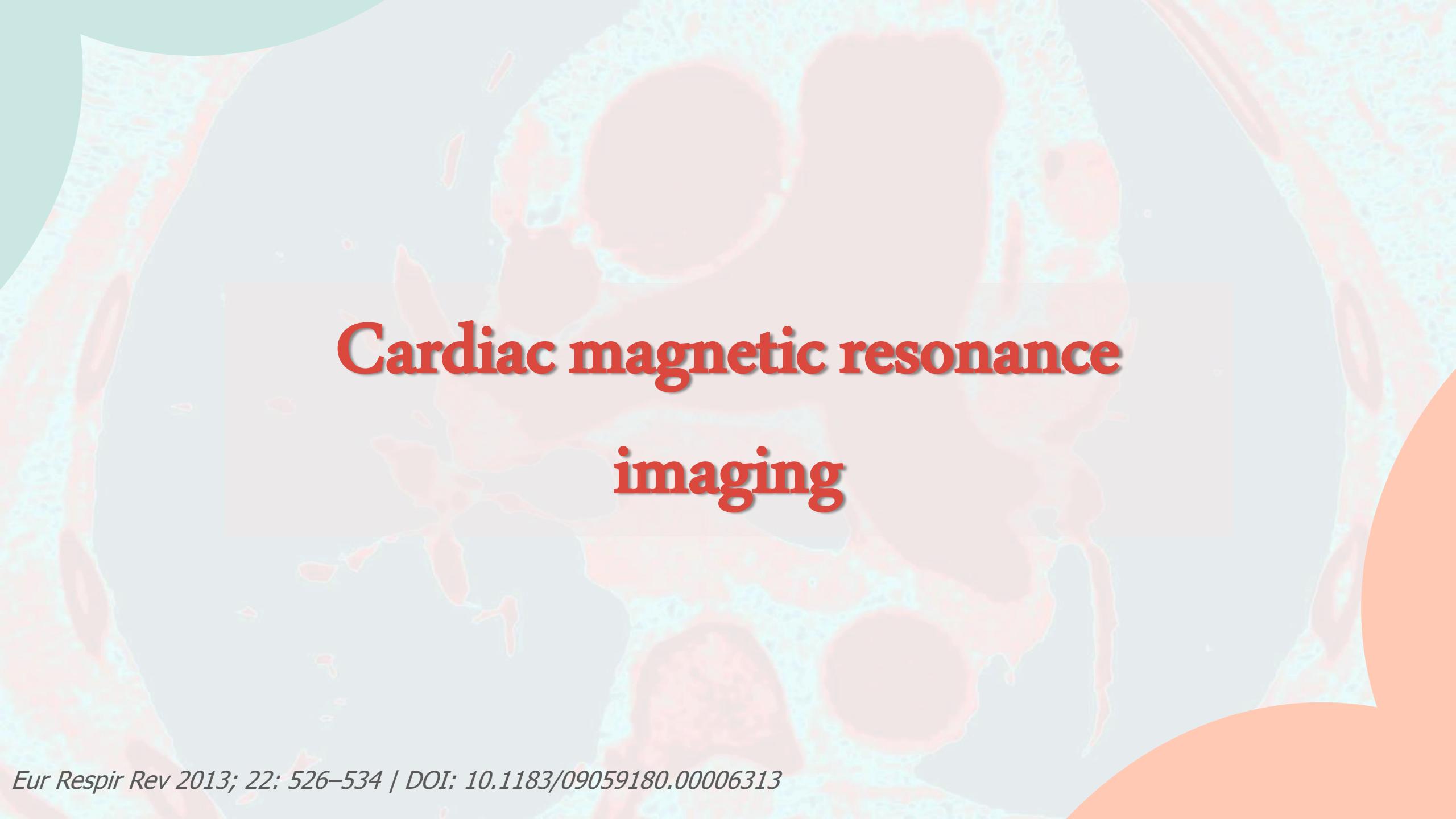
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Echo



## Determinants of prognosis (estimated 1-year mortality)

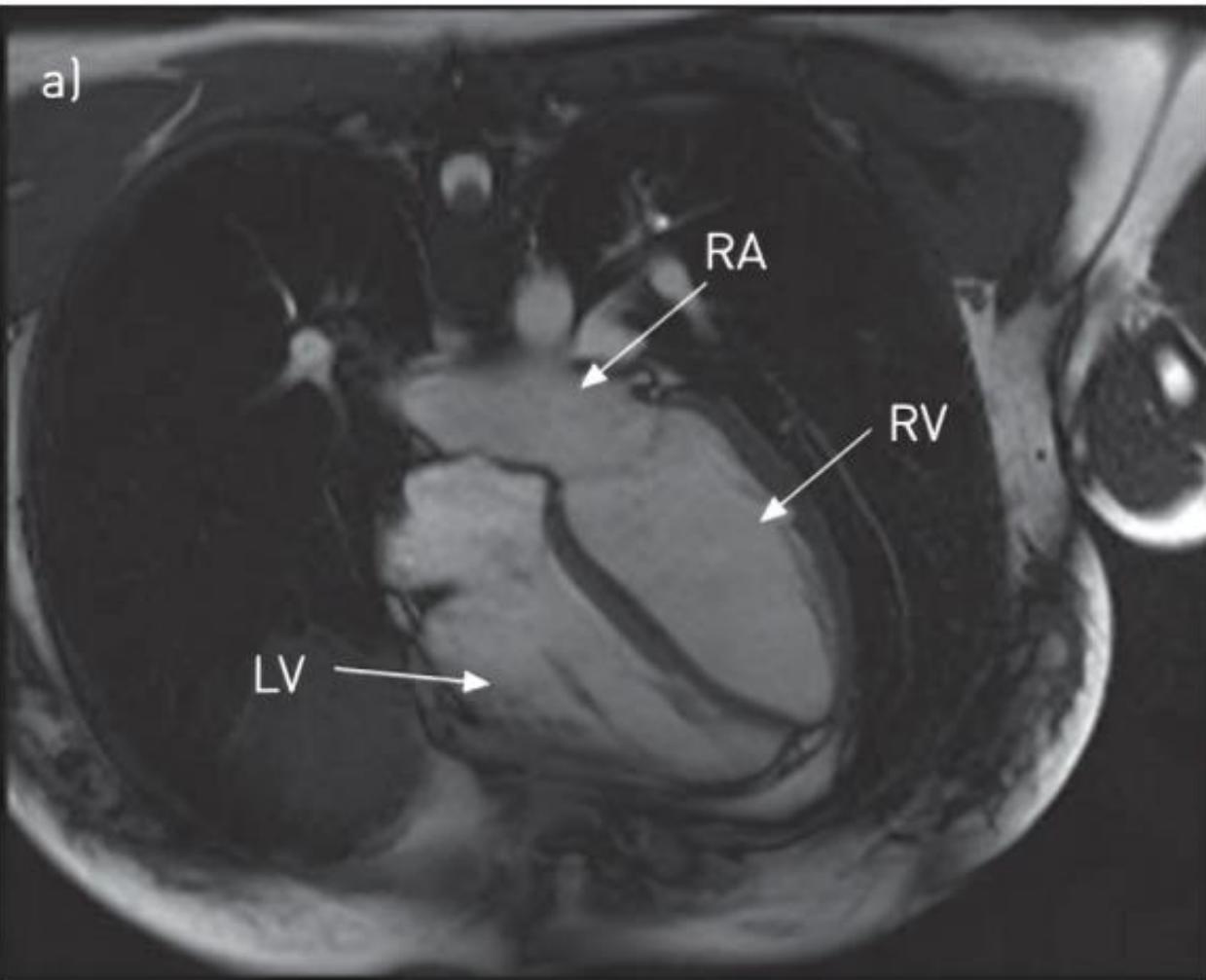
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	TAPSE/sPAP 0.32 mm/mmHg	TAPSE/sPAP 0.19–0.32 mm/mmHg	TAPSE/sPAP 0.19 mm/mmHg
	No pericardial effusion	Minimal pericardial effusion	Moderate or large pericardial effusion



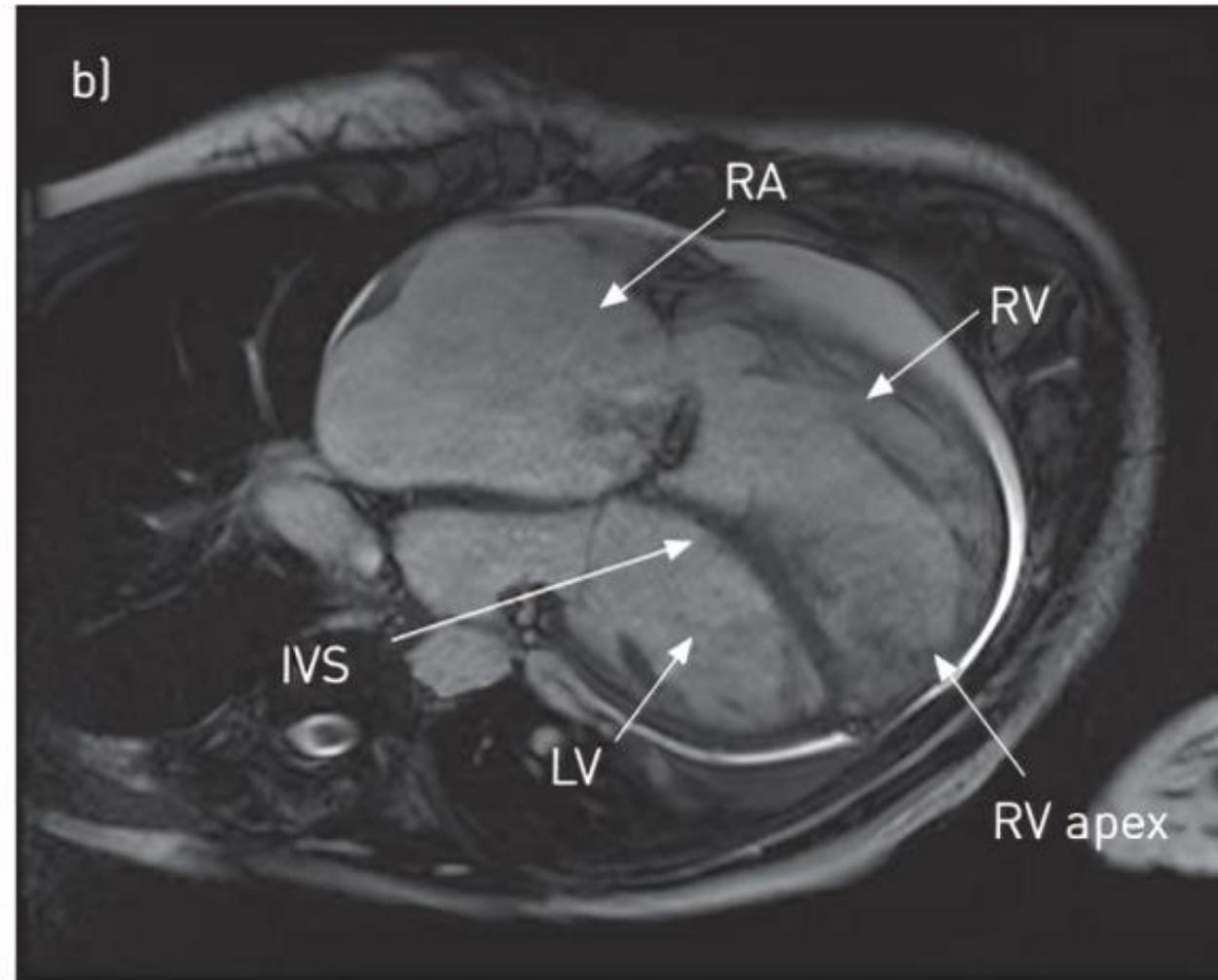
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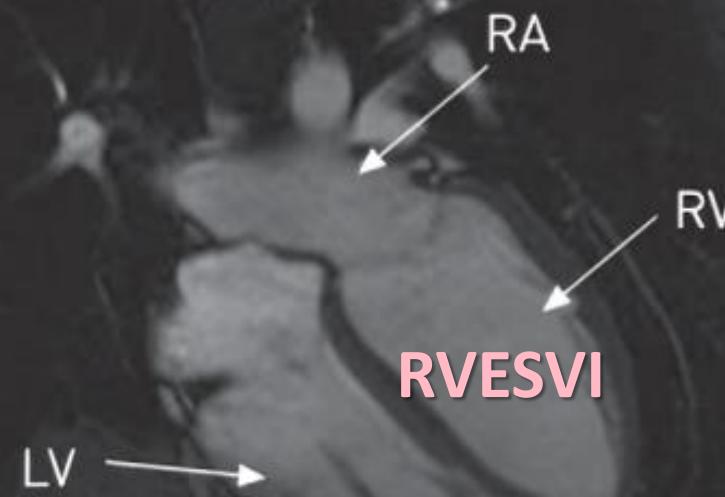


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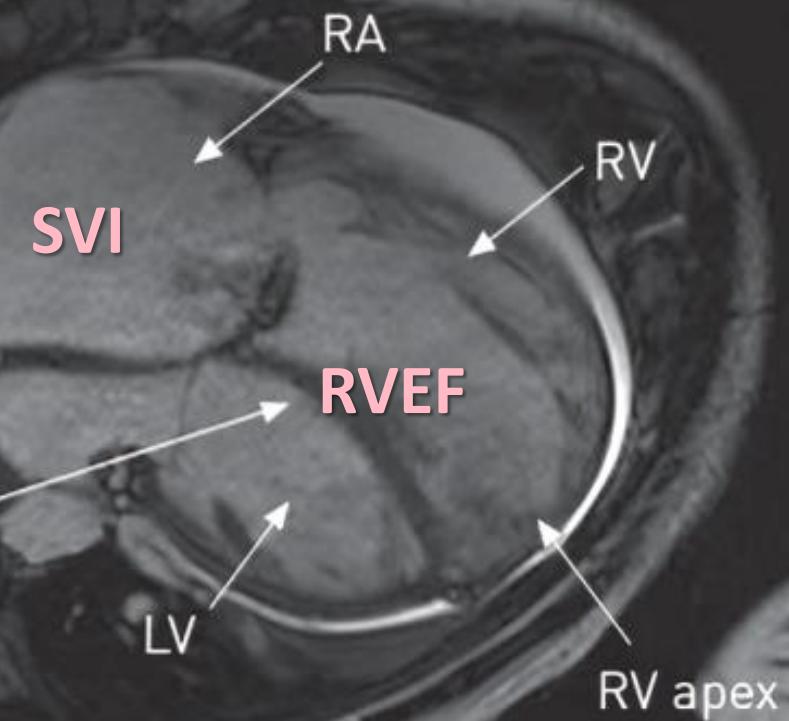


# Cardiac magnetic resonance imaging

a)



b)



## Determinants of prognosis (estimated 1-year mortality)

Low risk (5%)	Intermediate risk (5–20%)	High risk (20%)
<b>RVEF : 54%</b>	<b>RVEF: 37–54%</b>	<b>RVEF: 37%</b>
<b>SVI:40 mL/m<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>SVI: 26–40 mL/m<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>SVI: 26 mL/m<sup>2</sup></b>
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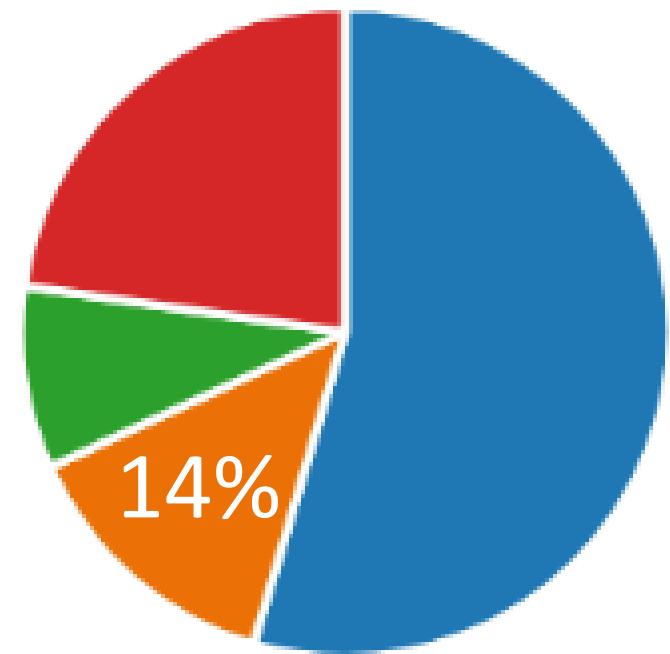
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A	24
B	6
C	4
D	10



**Biomarkers: BNP  
or  
NT-proBNP**

## Determinants of prognosis (estimated 1-year mortality)

	Low risk (5%)	Intermediate risk (5–20%)	High risk (20%)

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Determinants of prognosis (estimated 1-year mortality)			
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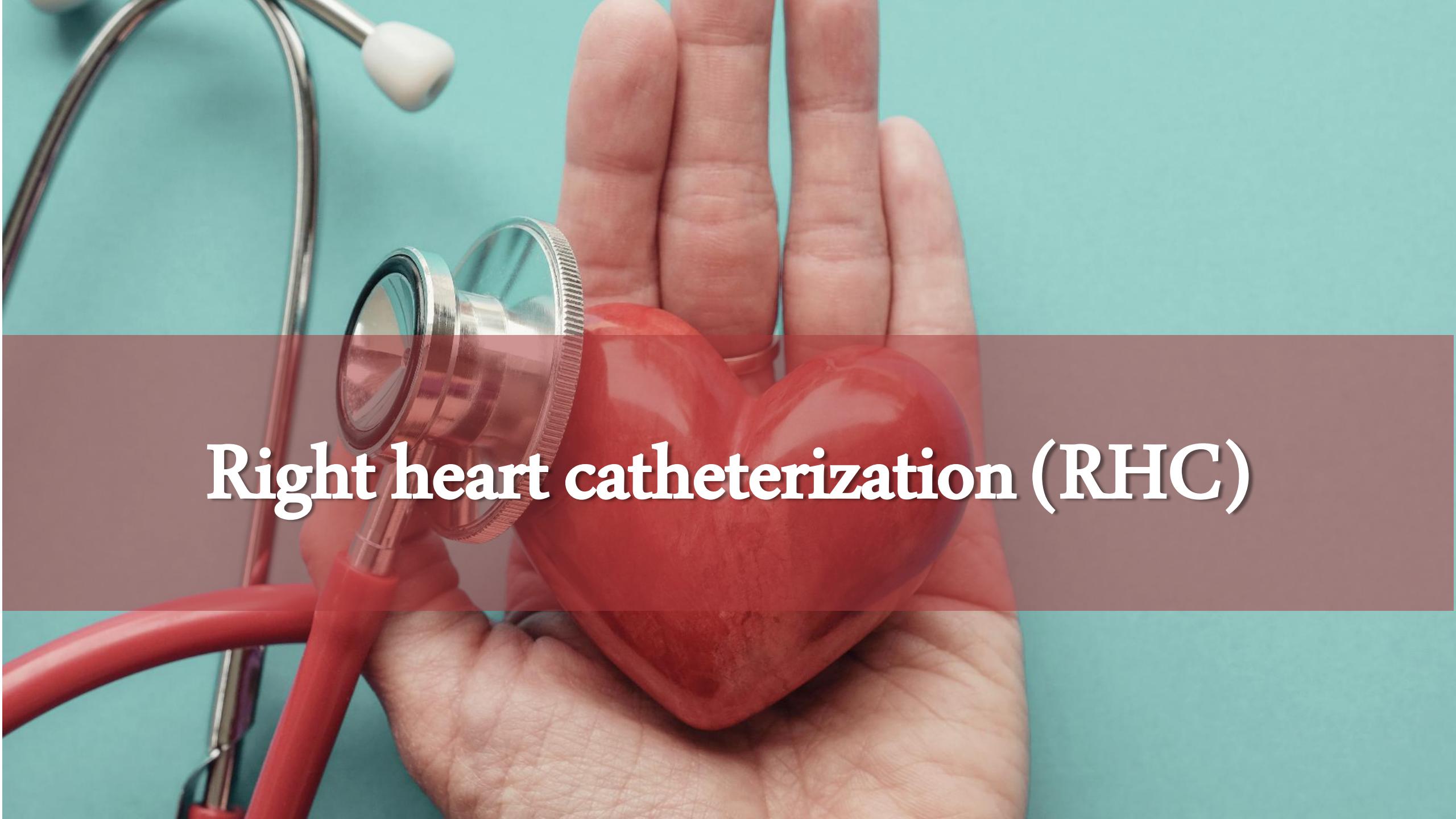
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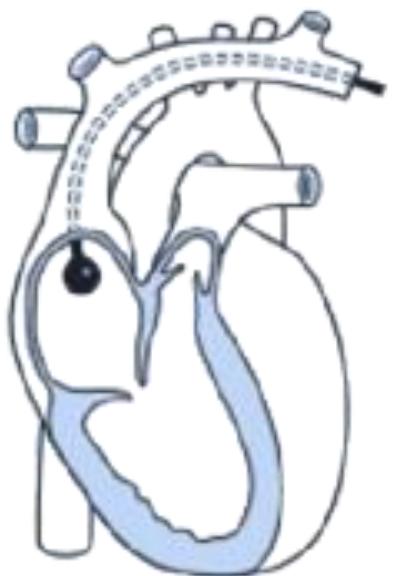
# Step 3 Confirmation

A close-up photograph of a person's hands. One hand is holding a bright red, glossy heart-shaped object. A silver stethoscope is draped over the heart, with its diaphragm resting on top and its tubing extending towards the left edge of the frame. The background is a solid teal color.

The **gold standard** for PH diagnosis

A close-up photograph of a red heart model being held by two hands. A stethoscope with red tubing is draped over the heart. The background is a solid teal color.

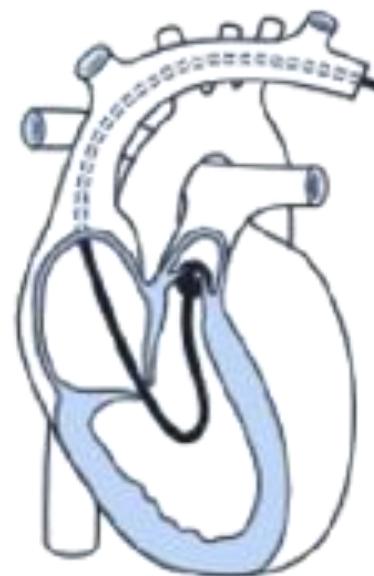
# Right heart catheterization (RHC)



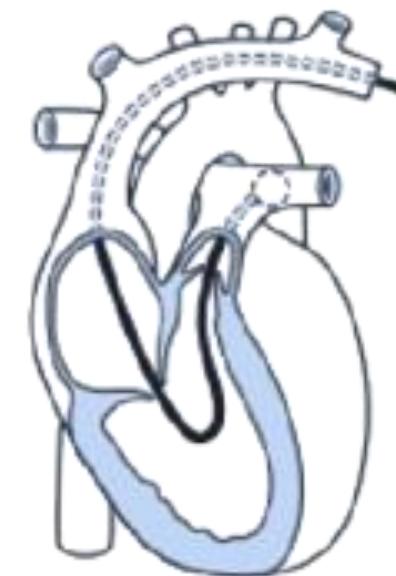
Right atrium



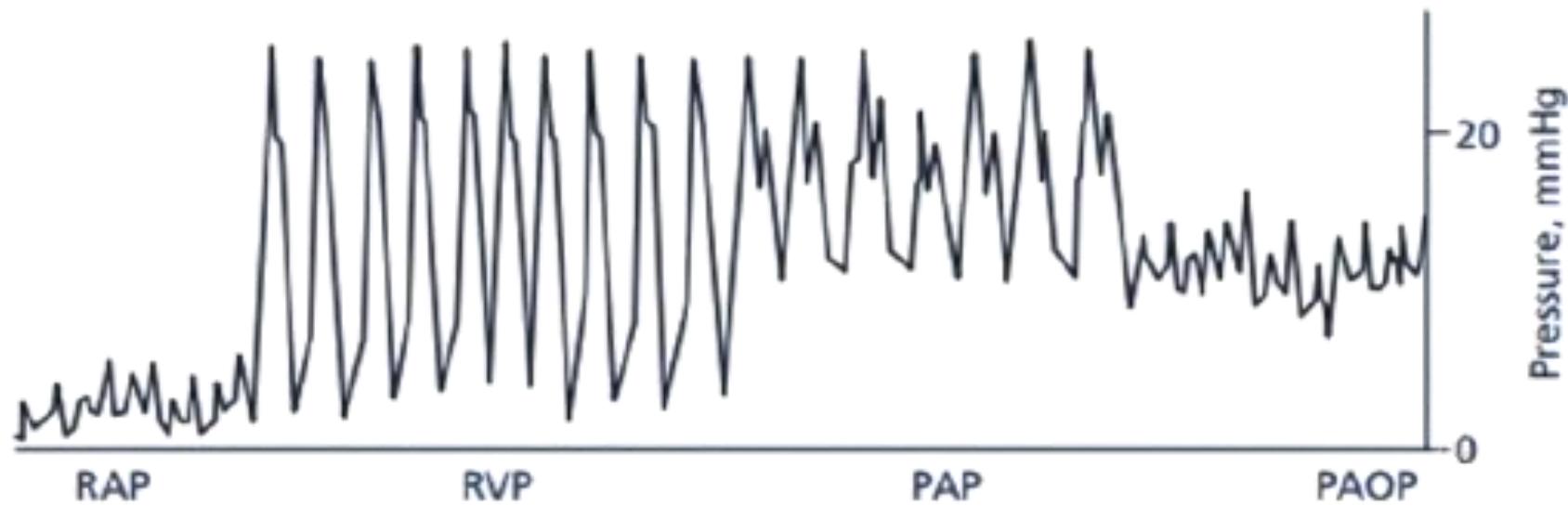
Right ventricle

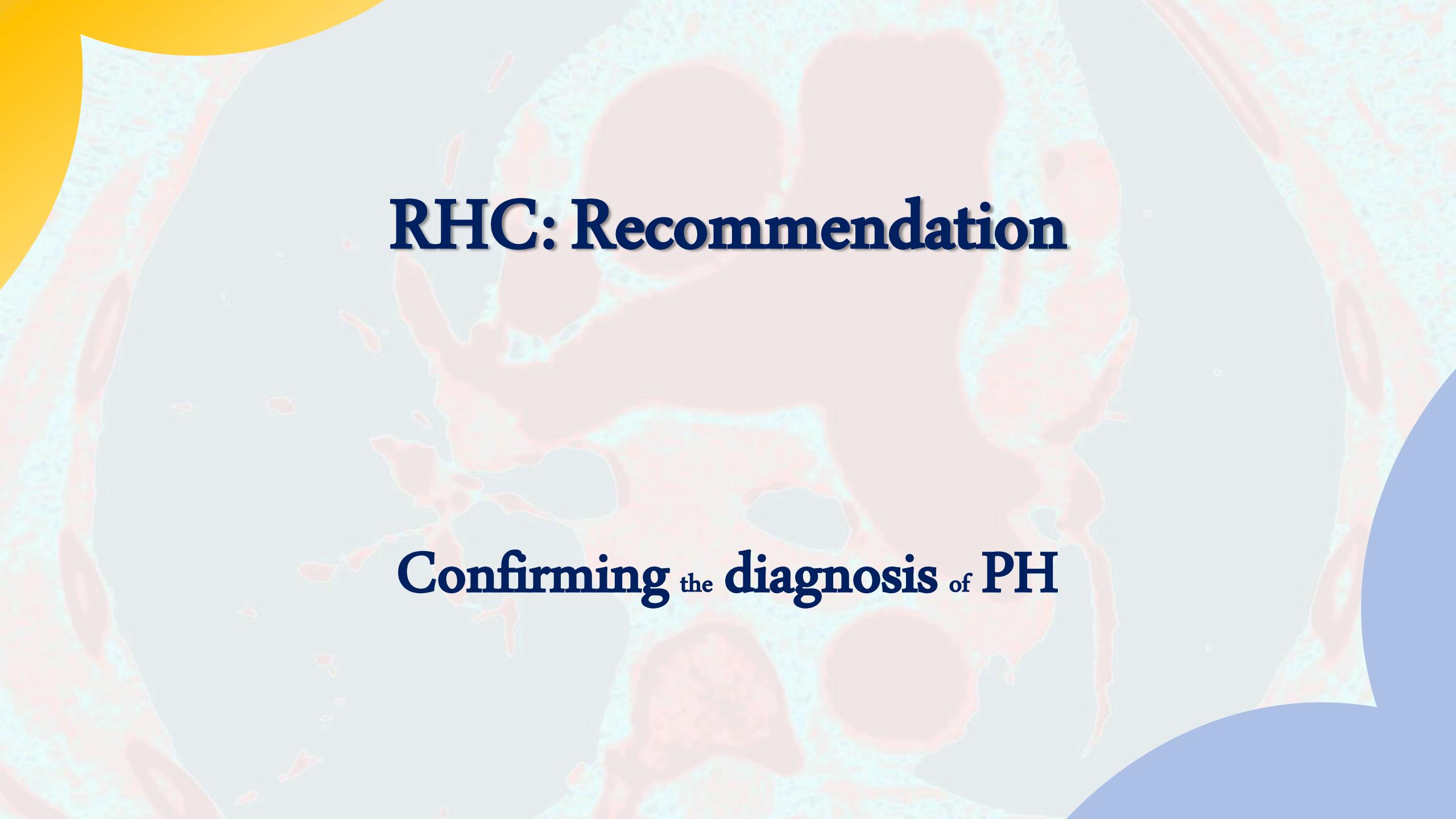


Pulmonary artery



Occluded pulmonary artery





# **RHC: Recommendation**

## **Confirming the diagnosis of PH**



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## **Support treatment decisions**

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**RHC**



## **GROUP 4 PH associated with pulmonary artery obstructions**

4.1 Chronic thrombo-embolic PH

4.2 Other pulmonary artery obstructions<sup>c</sup>

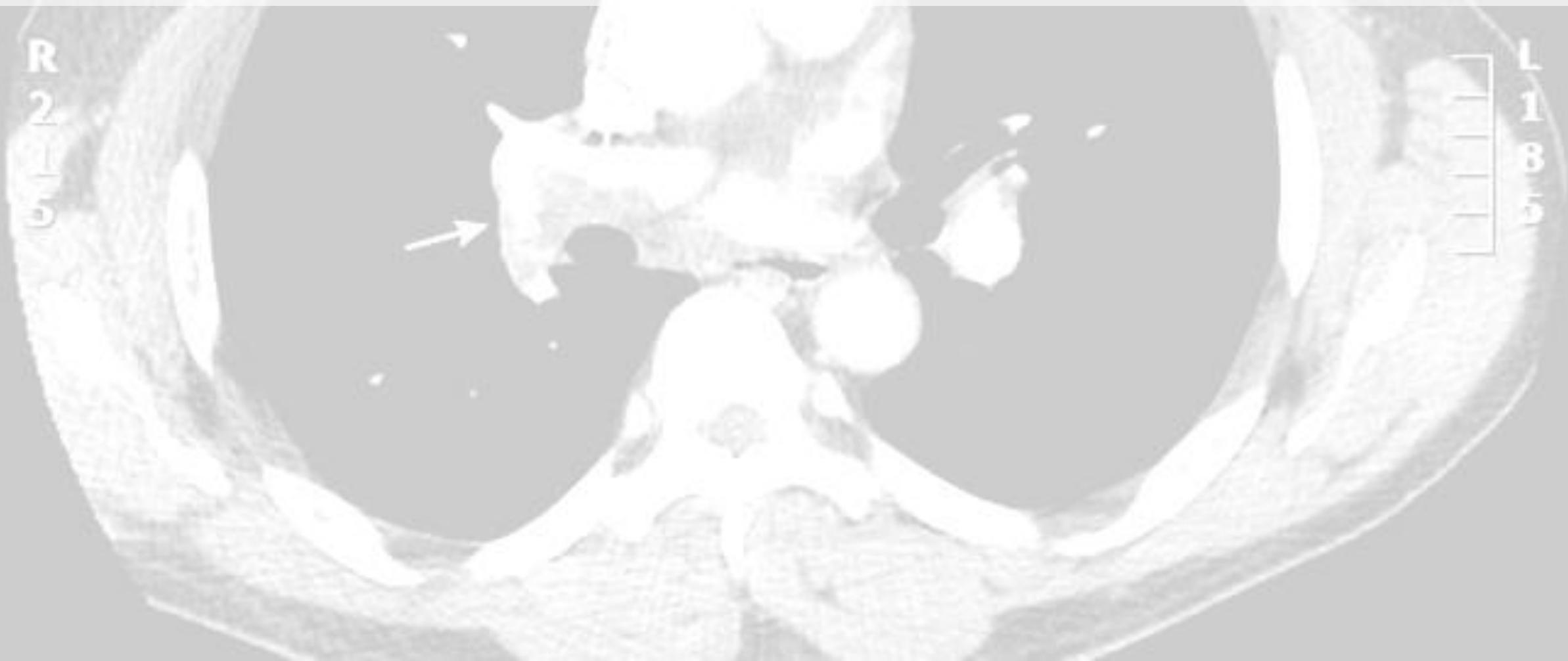


RHC



Microvasculopathy

# Chronic Thromboembolic Pulmonary Disease (CTEPD) without PH



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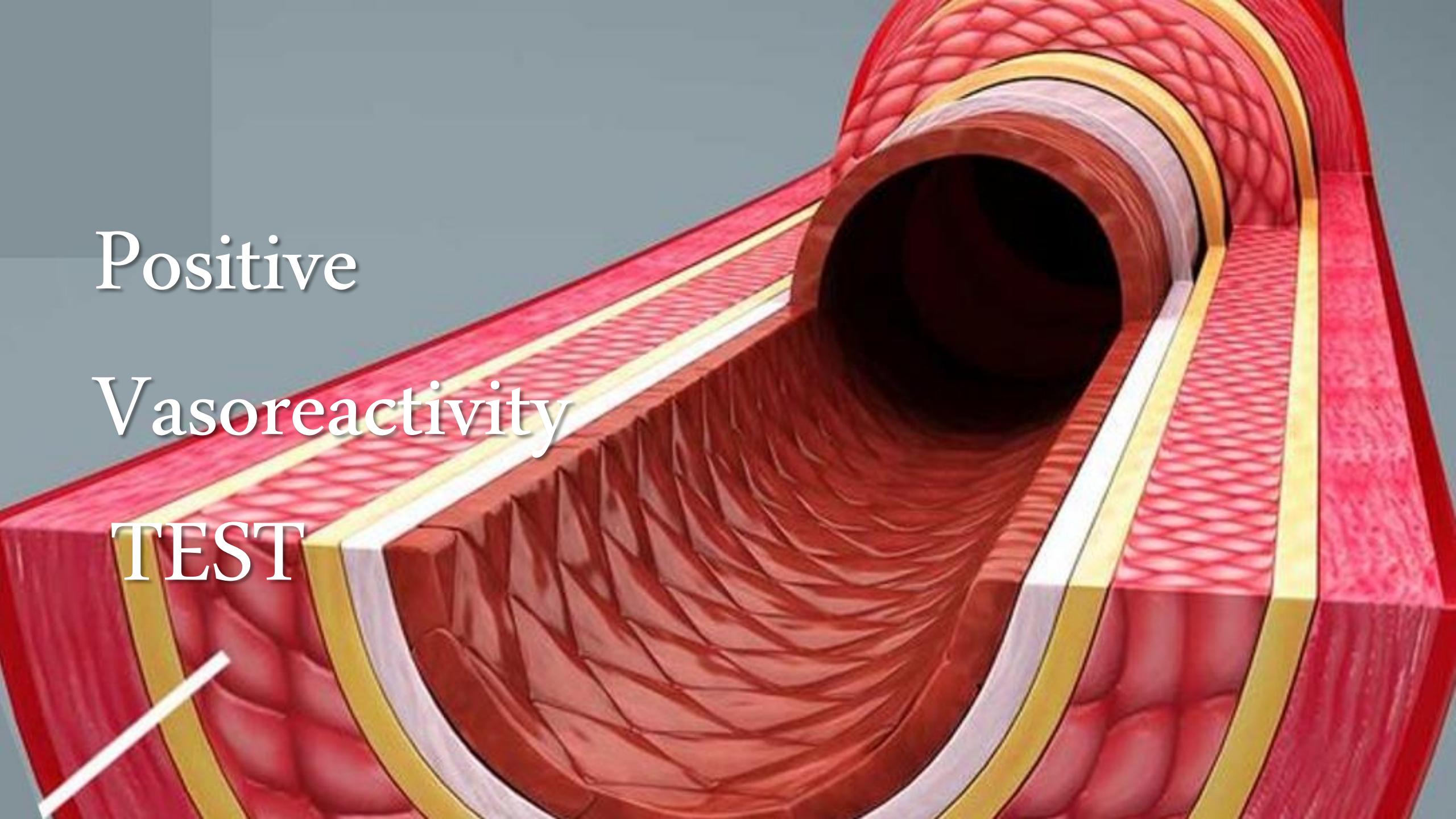


# Chronic Thrombo-embolic Pulmonary Hypertension (CTEPH)

Positive

Vasoreactivity

TEST



# Nitric Oxide

the miracle molecule

Acute challenge with a vasodilator  
(preferably 10–20 ppm NO)



A positive acute response of a vasoreactivity

↓ mPAP by  $\geq 10$  mmHg to reach an absolute value  $\leq 40$  mmHg

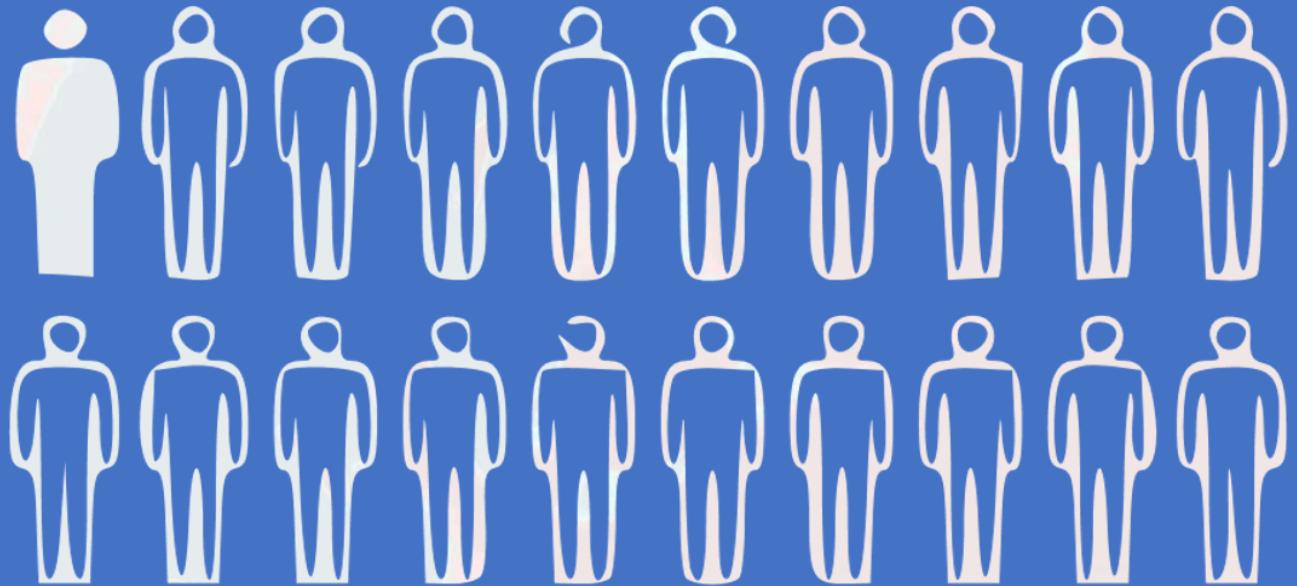
with

Increased or unchanged CO

# Positive acute responders

# Positive acute responders

May be eligible for treatment with calcium channel blockers (CCBs)



1 in 20

Shows a long-term response to

CCB therapy



The **hemodynamic definition** of PH has **been updated**

## Definition

## Haemodynamic characteristics

PH

mPAP >20 mmHg

Pre-capillary PH

mPAP >20 mmHg  
PAWP ≤15 mmHg  
PVR >2 WU

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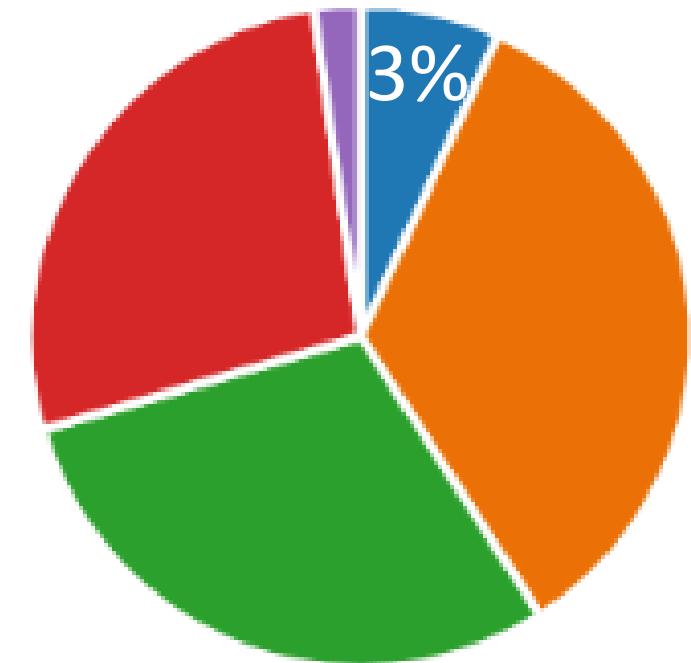
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A	3
B	15
C	13
D	12
Other	1



ما هي المعايير التشخيصية الديناميكية الدموية لارتفاع ضغط دم الشريان الرئوي (PAH) بناءً على  
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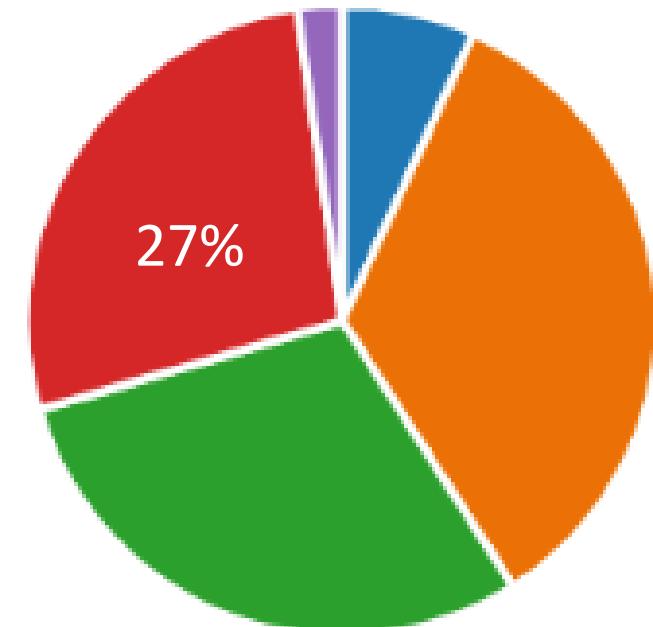
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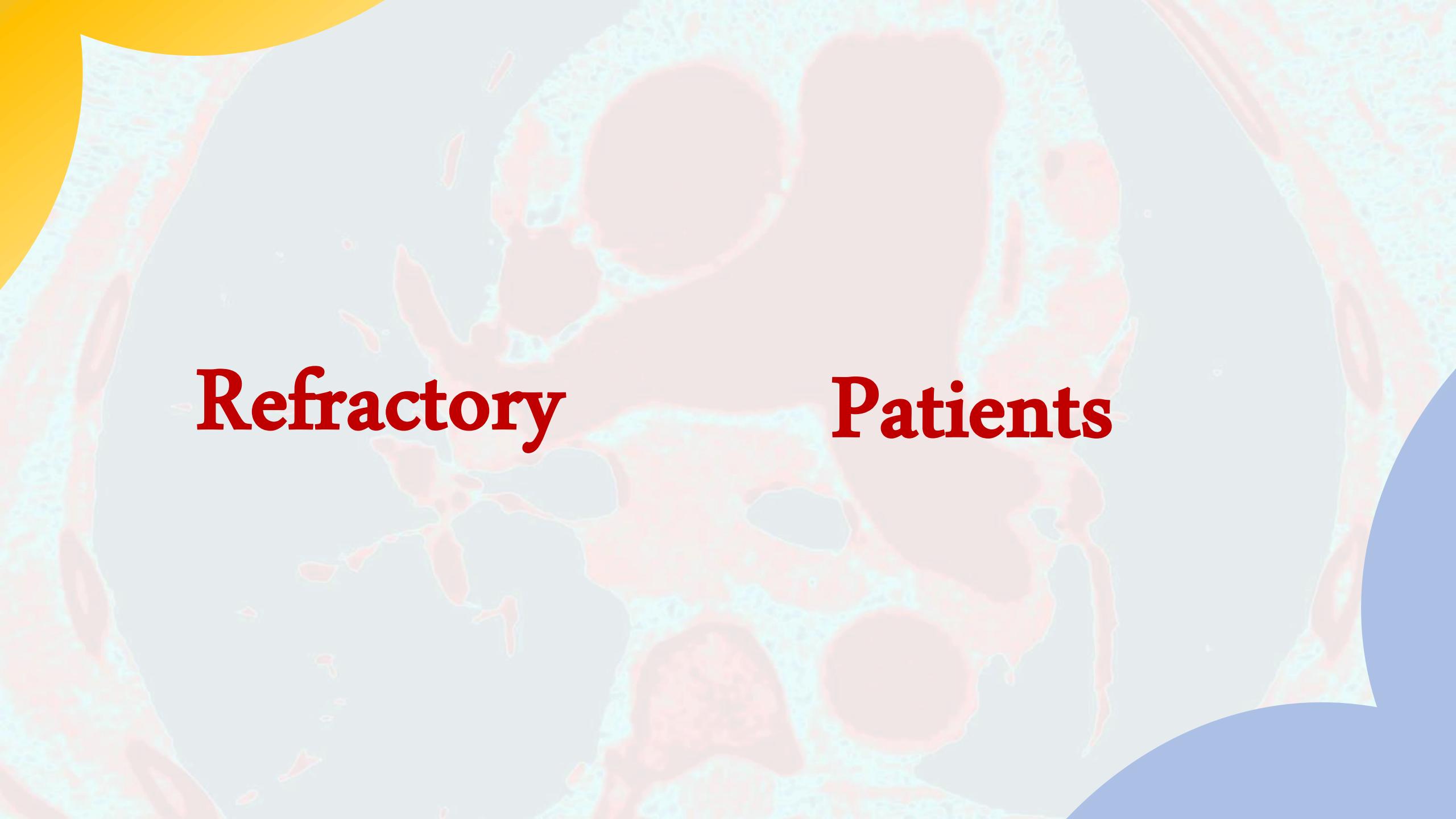
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- E. RHC with mean PAP  $\geq 20$ , wedge  $\leq 10$ , PVR  $> 3$  WU

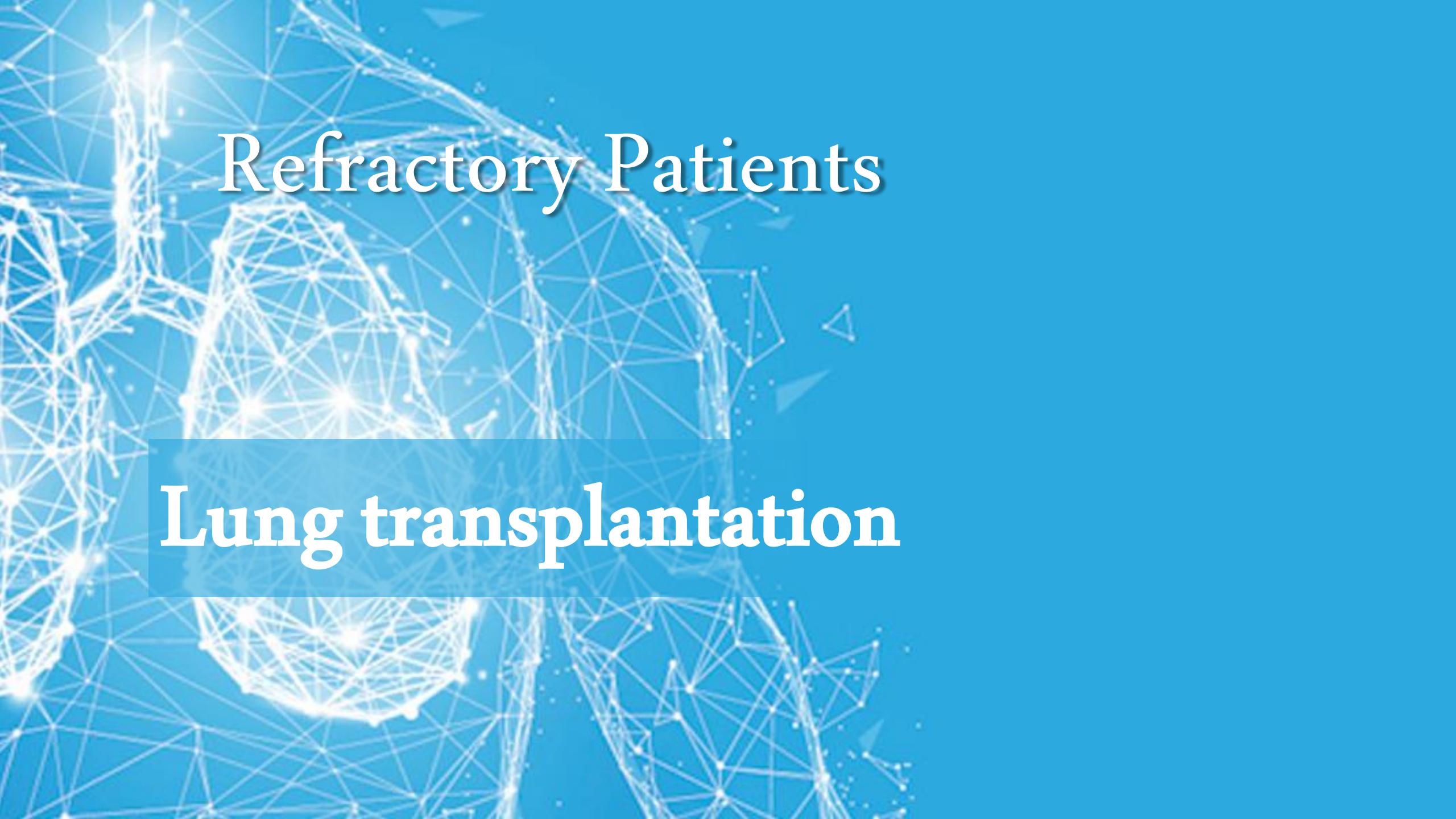
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A	3
B	15
C	13
D	12
Other	1





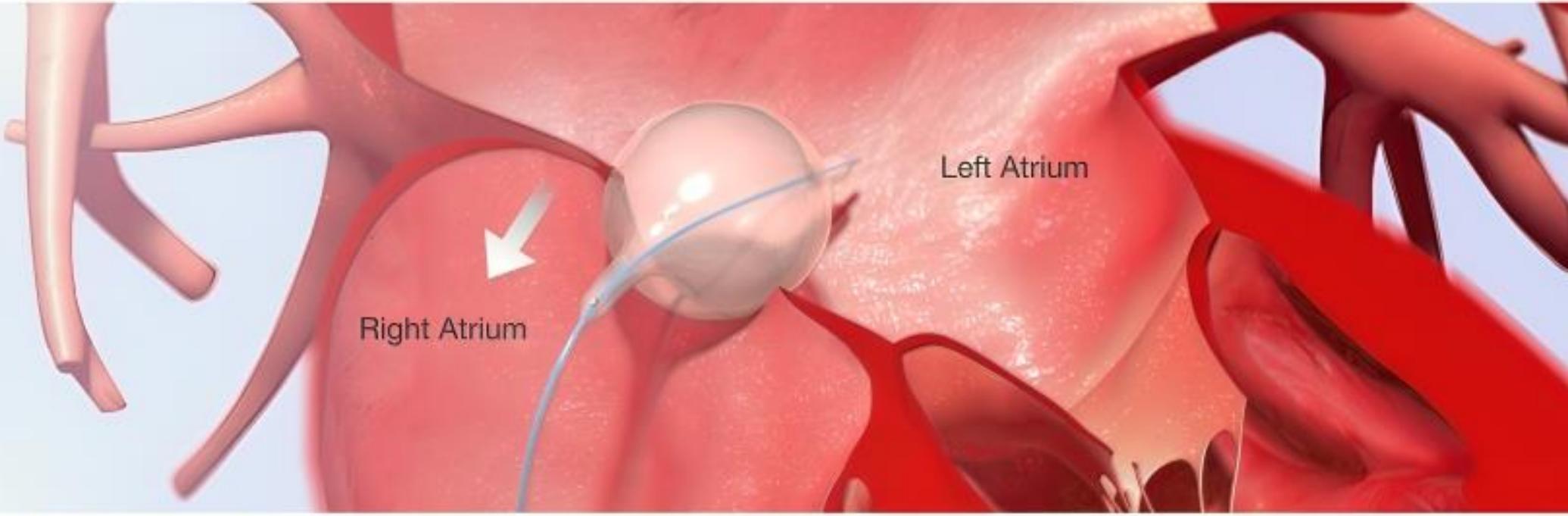
# **Refractory Patients**



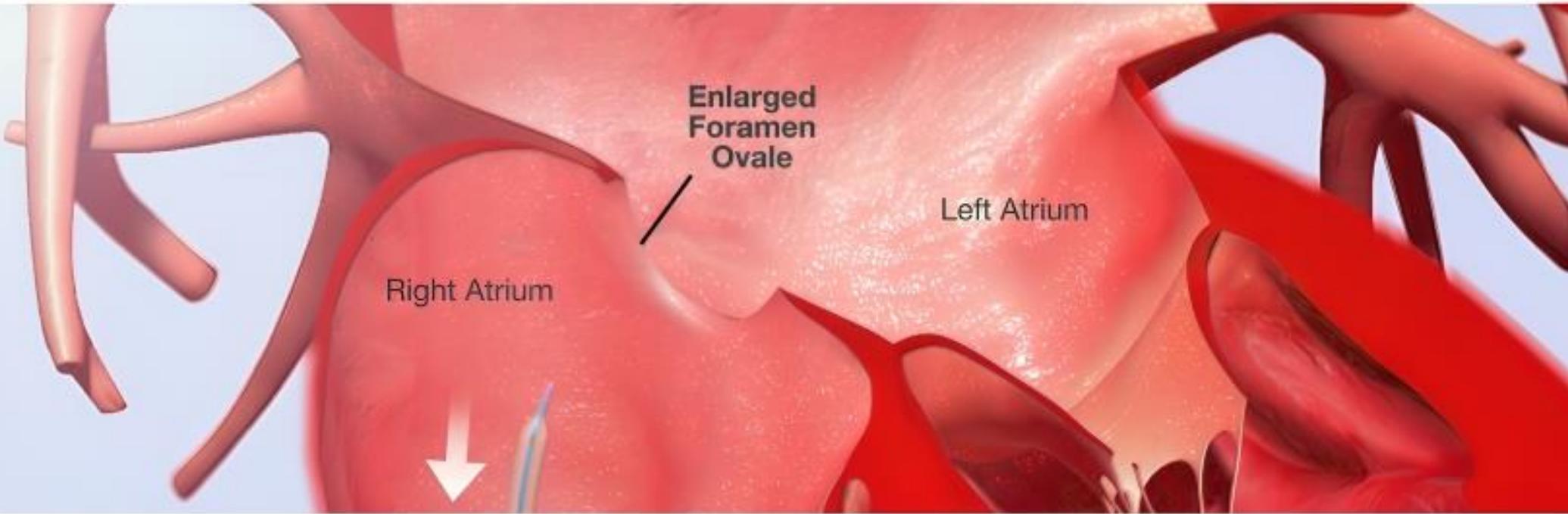
# Refractory Patients

## Lung transplantation

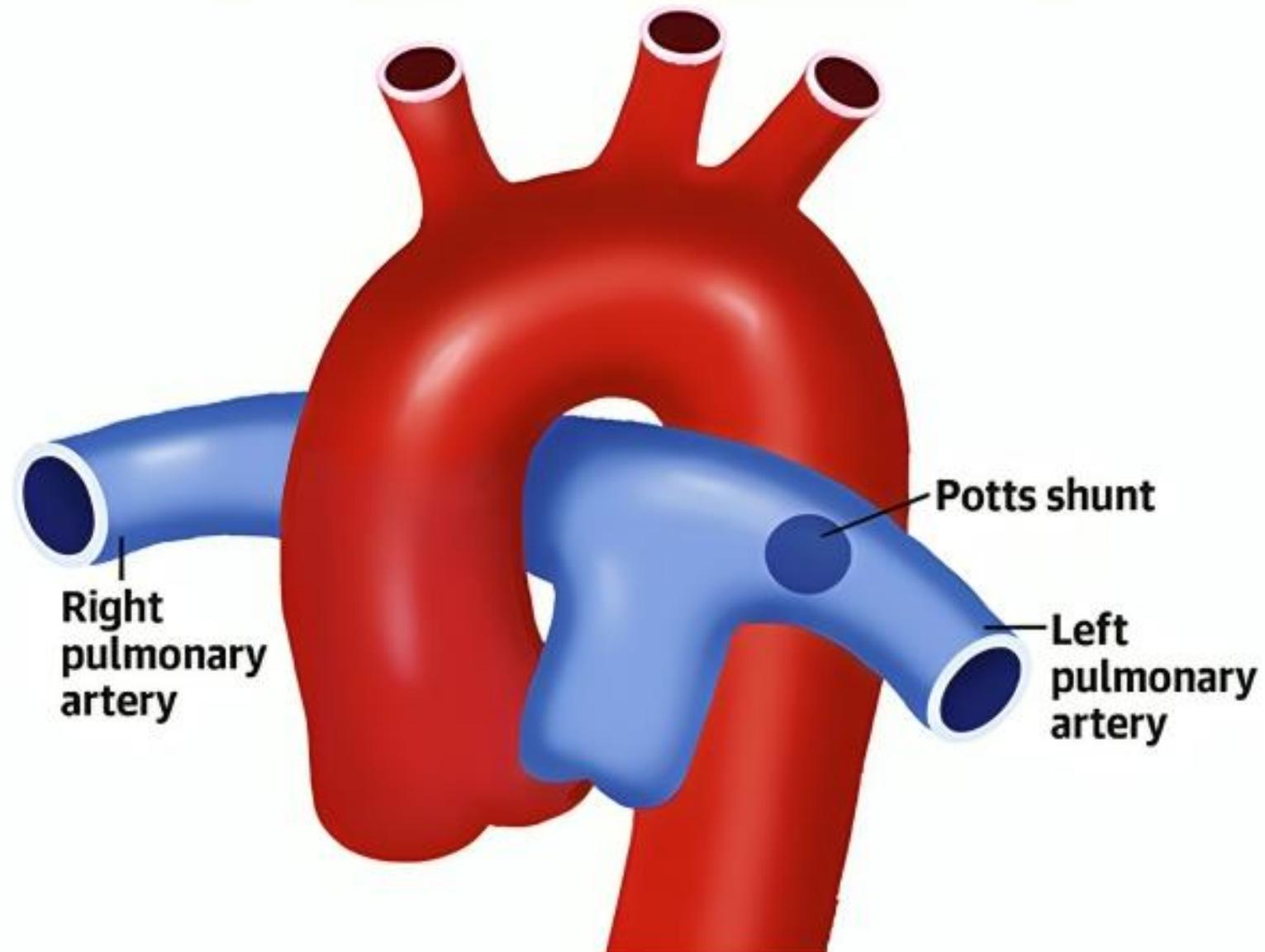
## Atrial septostomy



## Right-to-left shunt



# Potts Shunt and Pulmonary Hypertension





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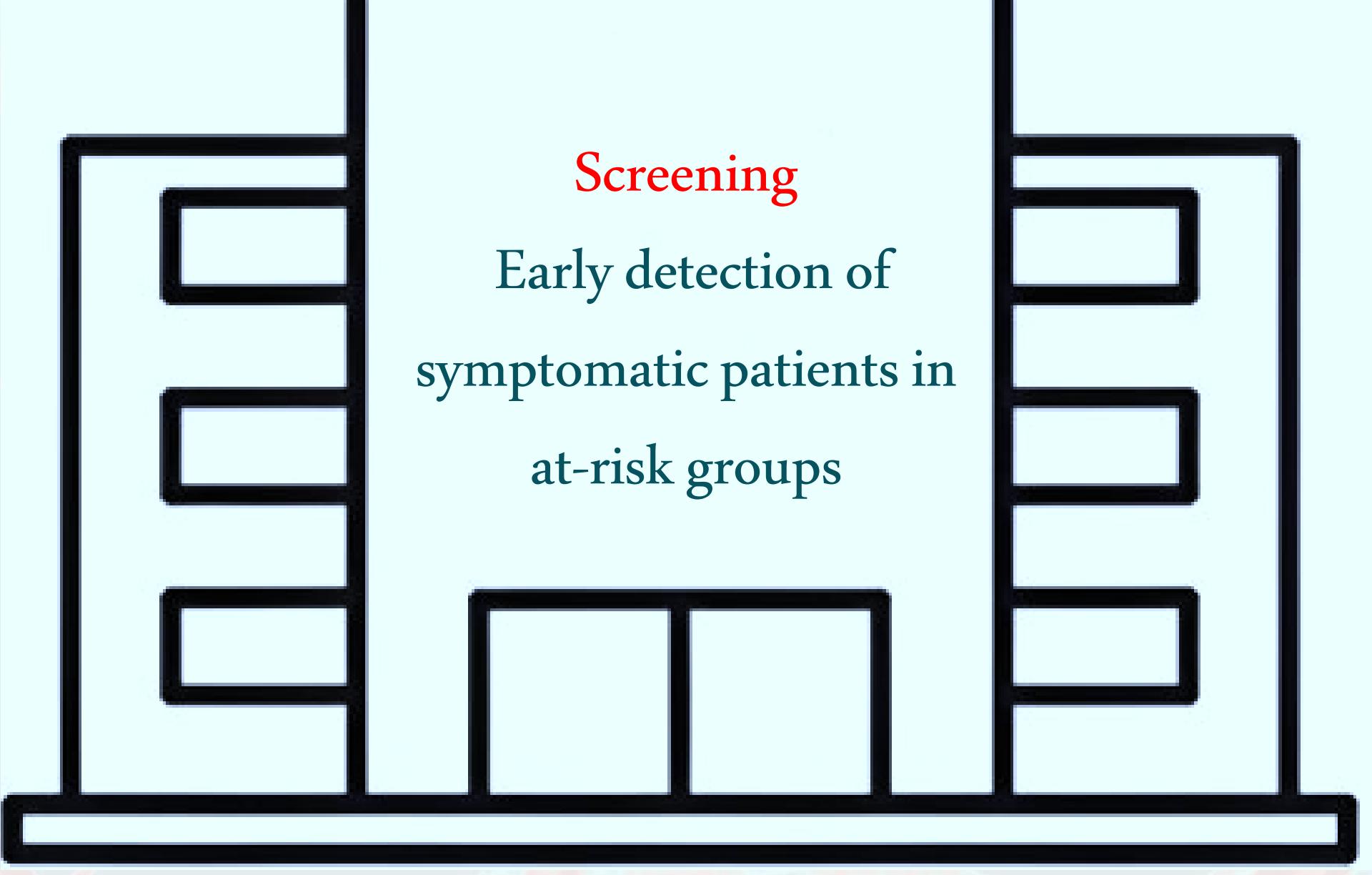
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# DIAGNOSIS

# TREATMENT

Screening

Asymptomatic high-  
risk groups



**Screening**  
Early detection of  
symptomatic patients in  
at-risk groups





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