Right Ventricular Function in Tricuspid Regurgitation

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Case 1: 55yo woman with NYHA Fc 2

MVR in 1980

Redo-MVR in 1998



Case 1: Functional TR



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TR max PG = 39mmHg

TAPSE = 17 mm



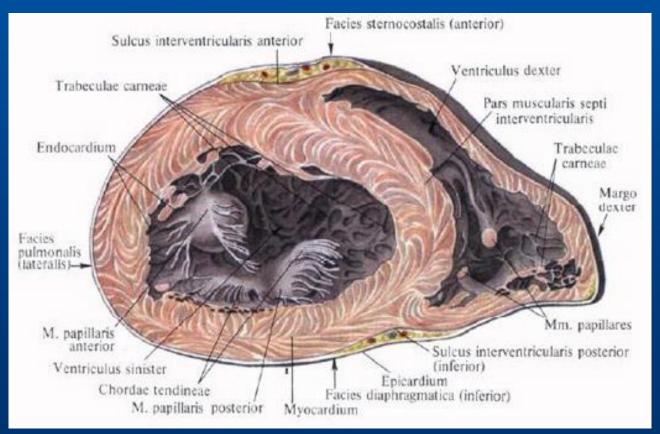
Case 2: Surgery for TR?

55yo gentleman: cardiomegaly on CXR without sx

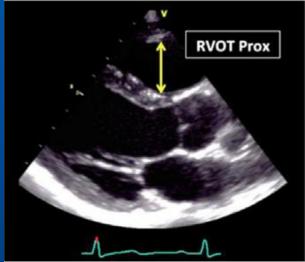


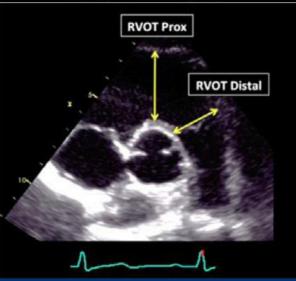
Isolated TR: RV Function

Complexity of RV morphology



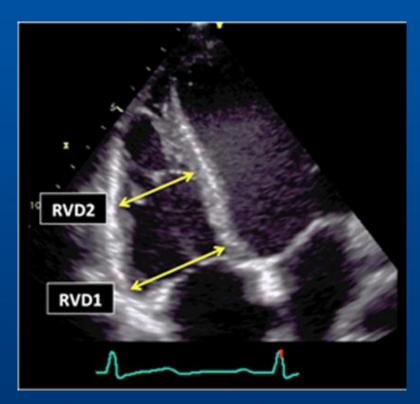
RV Size: Linear Dimensions (outflow)





- Advantage
 - easily obtainable
 - simple and fast
- Limitations
 - dependent on imaging position
 - chest or spine deformity
 - regional measure

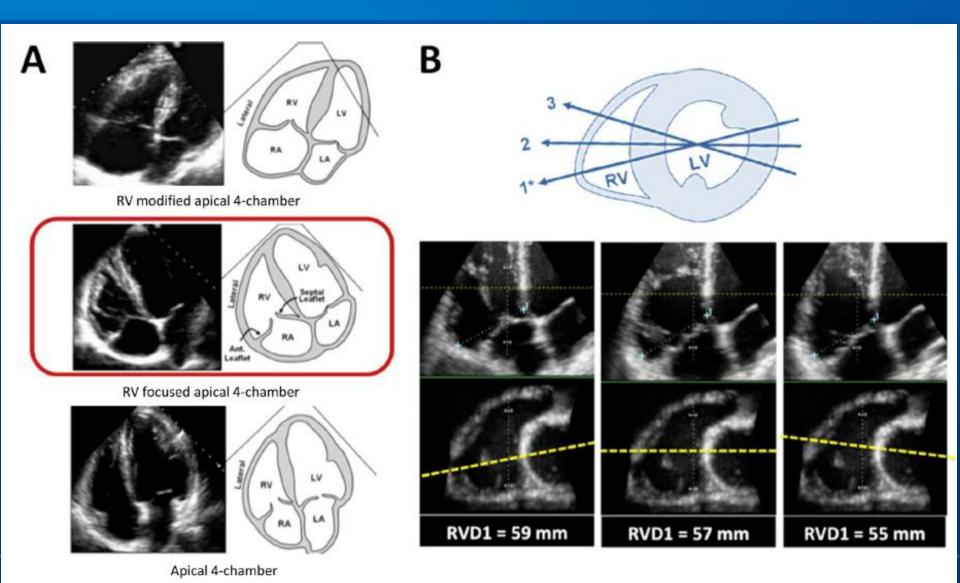
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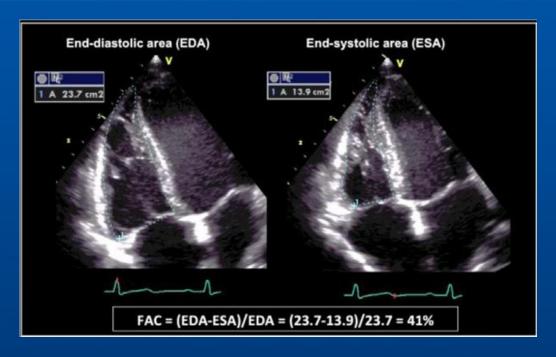
RV-focused view at end-diastole

- Advantage
 - Easily obtainable
 - Simple and fast
 - Wealth of published data
- Limitations
 - Underestimation
 - High variability

RV-focused Apical View

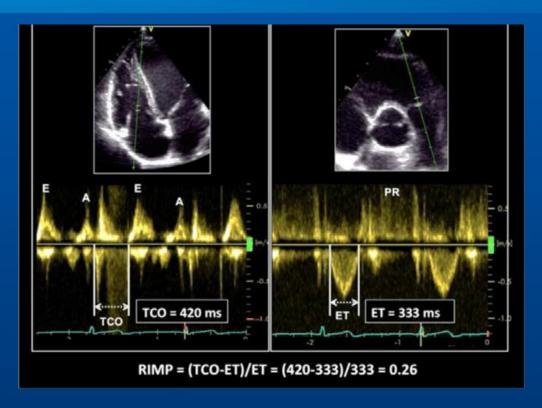


RV Function: Fractional Area Change



- Advantage
 - established prognostic value
 - correlation with RVEF by CMR
- Limitations
 - neglect RVOT contribution
 - only fair reproducibility

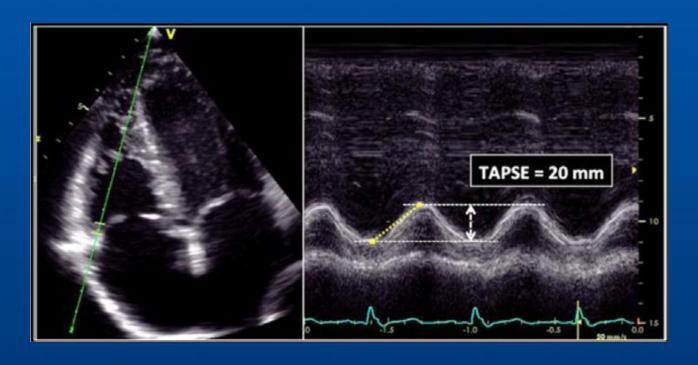
RV Index of Myocardial Performance



- Advantage
 - prognostic vale

- Limitations
 - matching for R-R interval
 - Unreliable with high RA pressure

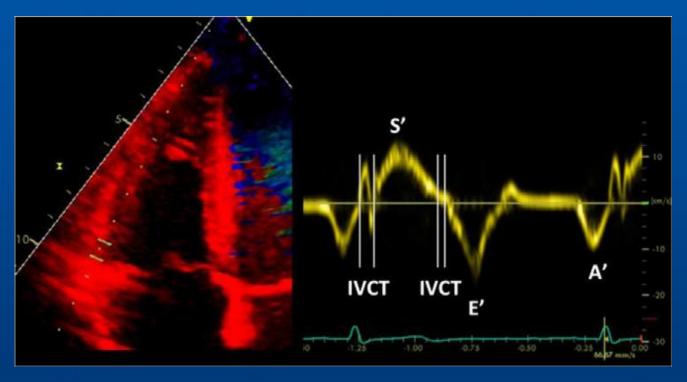
Tricuspid Annular Plane Systolic Excursion (TAPSE)



- Advantage
 - prognostic vale

- Limitations
 - angle dependent
 - partially global

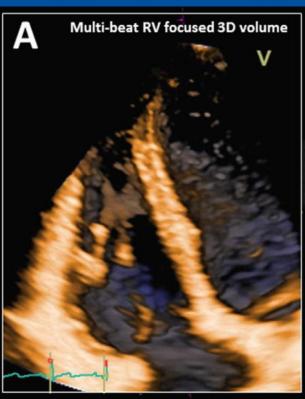
Systolic Tricuspid Annular Velocity (S')

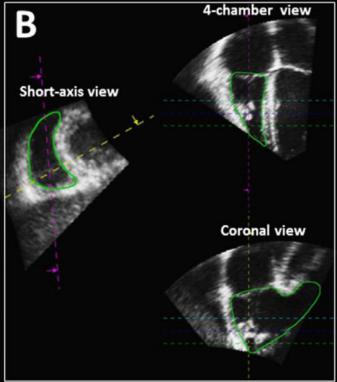


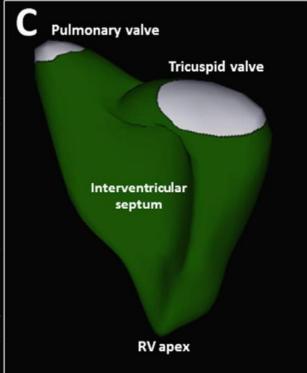
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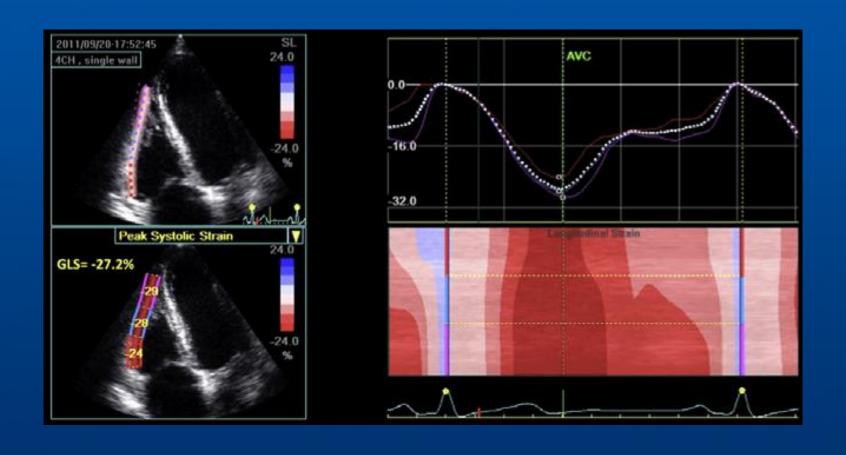
New Technique: 3D Echo







Global Longitudinal Strain (GLS)



Normal Values for RV Parameters

Parameter	$Mean \pm SD$	Abnormality threshold
TAPSE (mm)	24 ± 3.5	<17
Pulsed Doppler S wave (cm/sec)	14.1 ± 2.3	<9.5
Color Doppler S wave (cm/sec)	9.7 ± 1.85	<6.0
RV fractional area change (%)	49 ± 7	<35
RV free wall 2D strain* (%)	−29 ± 4.5	>-20 (<20 in magnitude with the negative sign)
RV 3D EF (%)	58 ± 6.5	<45
Pulsed Doppler MPI	0.26 ± 0.085	>0.43
Tissue Doppler MPI	0.38 ± 0.08	>0.54
E wave deceleration time (msec)	180 ± 31	<119 or >242
E/A	1.4 ± 0.3	<0.8 or >2.0
e'/a'	1.18 ± 0.33	<0.52
e'	14.0 ± 3.1	<7.8
E/e'	4.0 ± 1.0	>6.0

Class 1 Surgical Indication: MR vs TR

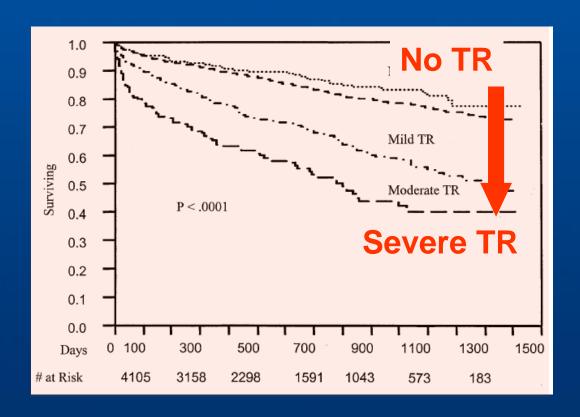
Mitral valve surgery is recommended for symptomatic patients with chronic severe primary MR (stage D) and LVEF greater than 30%

Mitral valve surgery is recommended for asymptomatic patients with chronic severe primary MR and LV dysfunction (LVEF 30% to 60% and/or LVESD ≥40 mm, stage C2)

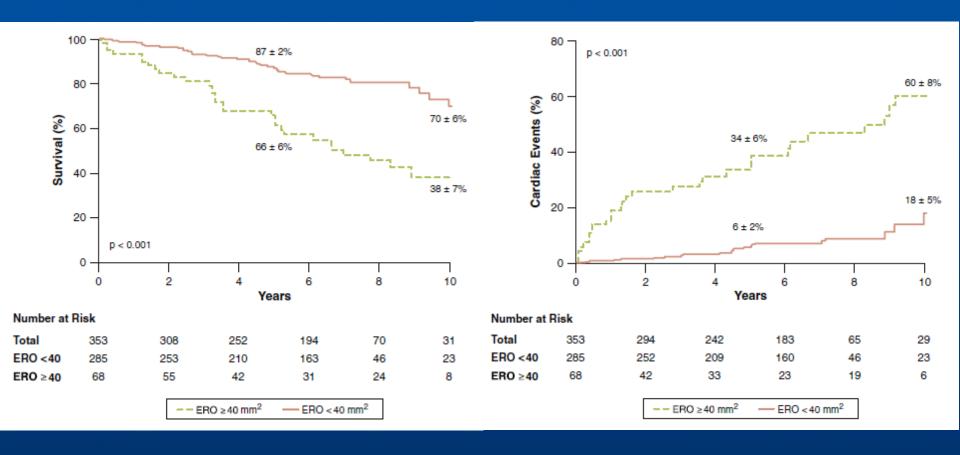
Tricuspid valve surgery is recommended for patients with severe TR (stages C and D) undergoing left-sided valve surgery. (Level of Evidence: C)

Is TR Significant Clinically?

Impact of TR on long-term survival



Natural History of Isolated TR



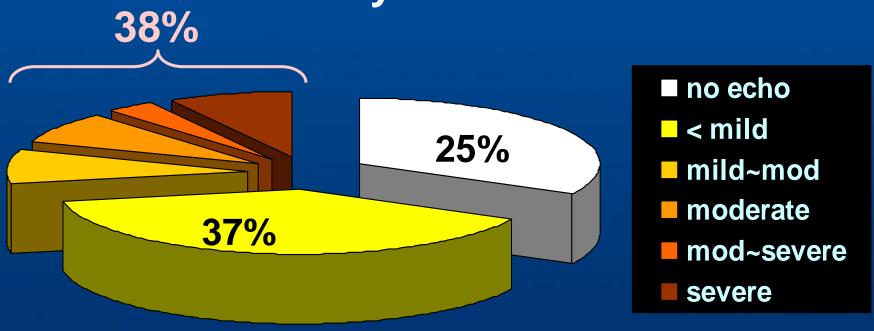
Surgery for TR

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Combined Mitral Valve Disease

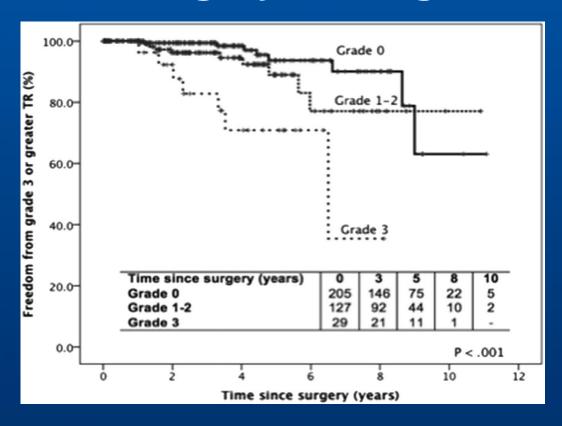
411 pts with mitral surgery (1992~1995)

10 yr echo f/u



Combined MV Disease

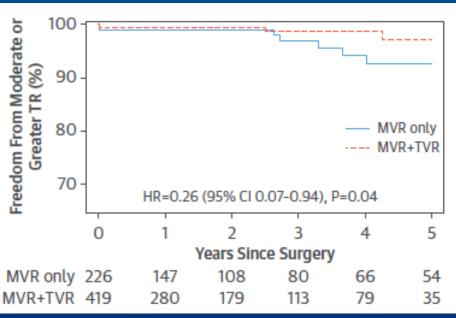
215 pts with surgery for degenerative MR

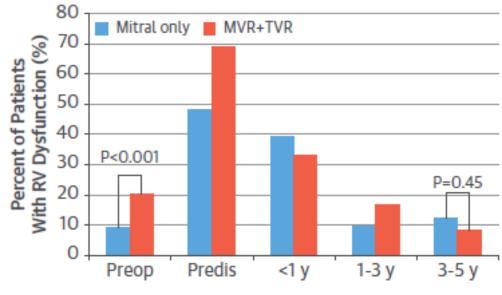


Impact of Concomitant Tricuspid Annuloplasty

Freedom from moderate or greater TR

Percent of patients with RV dysfunction





Moderate or severe tricuspid regurgitation on intraoperative or pre-operative echocardiography

Yes

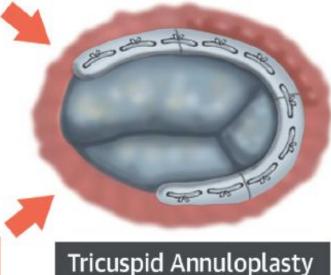


Assess Annular Dilation

>40 mm on 4 chamber pre-bypass transesophageal echocardiography

Or, significant size mismatch between leaflet and annulus on direct inspection







Isolated TR: Etiology

Primary causes (25%); anatomically abnormal

Rheumatic

Myxomatous

Ebstein anomaly

Endocarditis

Carcinoid disease

Traumatic (blunt chest trauma, laceration)

Iatrogenic (pacemaker/ICD lead, RV biopsy)

Secondary causes (75%); functional

Left heart disease

Any cause of pulmonary HTN

Any cause of RV dysfunction

Functional TR: High Operative Risk

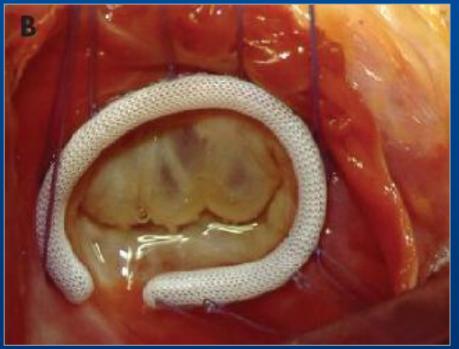
- King et al, Circulation 1984
 - 32 severe TR late after MVR
 - hospital mortality: 25%, 5 YSR: 44%
- Stabb et al, JHVD 1999
 - 34 severe TR with prior left-sided valve surgery
 - early mortality: 8.8%
 - event-free survival at 5 yr: 41.6%
 - Age, number of prior surgery
 - independent predictors

Isolated TR: Is It Repairable?

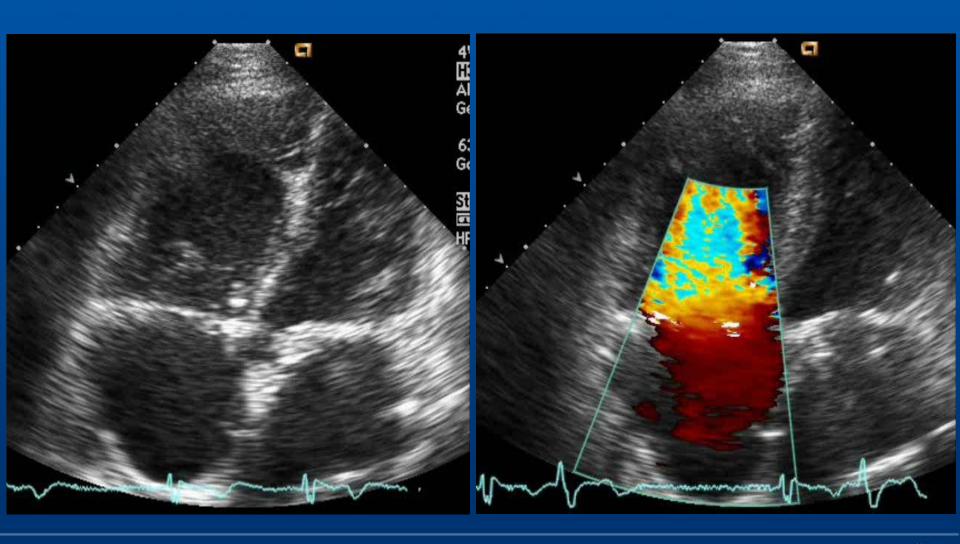
Modified DeVega annuloplasty

Ring Annuloplasty





Residual TR after Annuloplasty



Residual TR after Annuloplasty

	Postoperative TR			_
	Mild (n=167)	Moderate (n=33)	Severe (n=16)	Р
Age, y	69±12	62±17*	59±14*	< 0.001
Male gender, n (%)	60 (36)	13 (39)	4 (25)	0.6
LV ejection fraction, %	48.5±13.5	41.2±16.5*	41.5±15.5	0.009
RV fractional area change, %	31.2±11.8	25.6±11.0*	25.1±12.8*	0.01
RA area, cm ²	25.3±8.8	25.6±8.7	27.1 ± 6.9	0.7
RV systolic pressure, mm Hg	54.3±18.1	52.5 ± 19.4	52.0 ± 19.0	8.0
TV annulus diameter, cm	3.73 ± 0.73	3.84 ± 0.84	4.03±0.58	0.3
TV tethering distance, cm	0.53 ± 0.33	$1.07 \pm 0.39^*$	1.17±0.39*	< 0.001
TV tethering area, cm ²	1.01 ± 0.86	2.33±1.26*	$2.84 \pm 1.41^*$	< 0.001
Preoperative %TR, %	38.2±14.6	39.6±13.6	55.2±14.8†	< 0.001

Assessing Tricuspid Apparatusin Functional TR

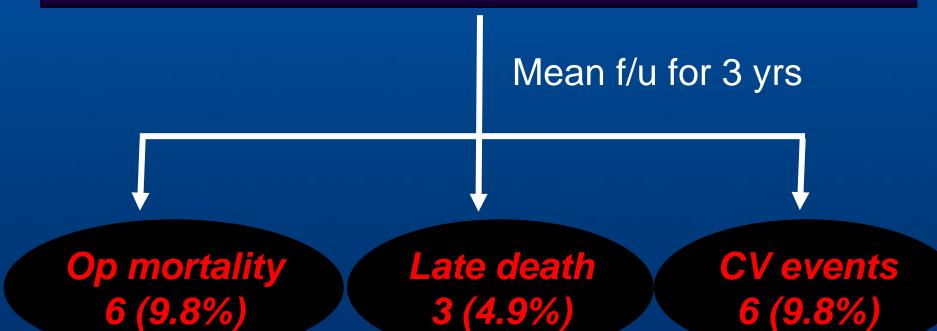
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3
TR severity	None or mild	Mild or moderate	Severe
Annular diameter, mm	<40	>40	>40
Leaflet coaptation mode	Normal*	Edge-to-edge*	Absent†
Treatment	Medical treatment	Tricuspid annuloplasty	Tricuspid annuloplasty + leaflet augmentation‡

^{*}No leaflet tethering (<8 mm). †Leaflet tethering may be present (≥8 mm). ‡If leaflet tethering is present. TR = tricuspid regurgitation.

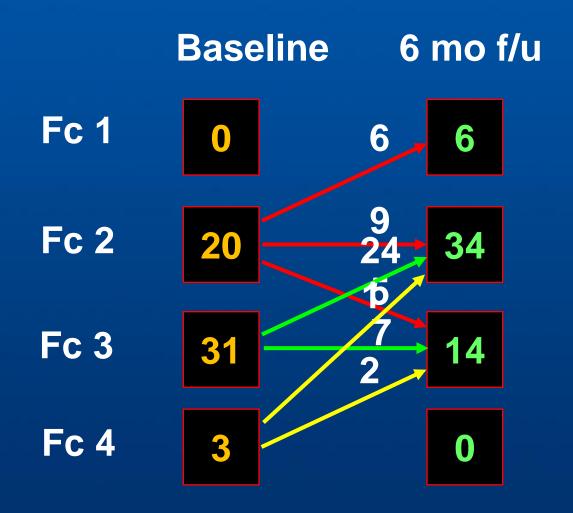
Isolated Severe TR: Surgery

61 patients undergoing surgery for severe TR

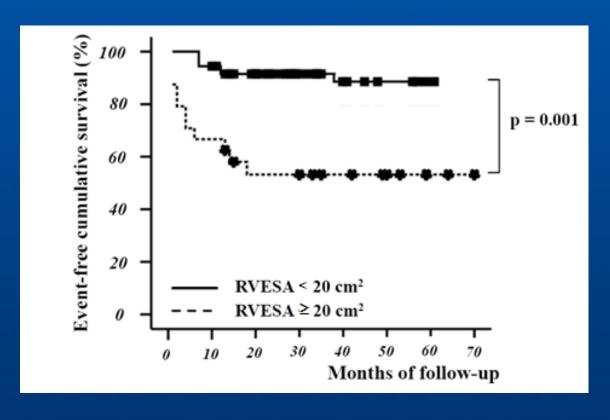
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PostOp TR: Functional Capacity

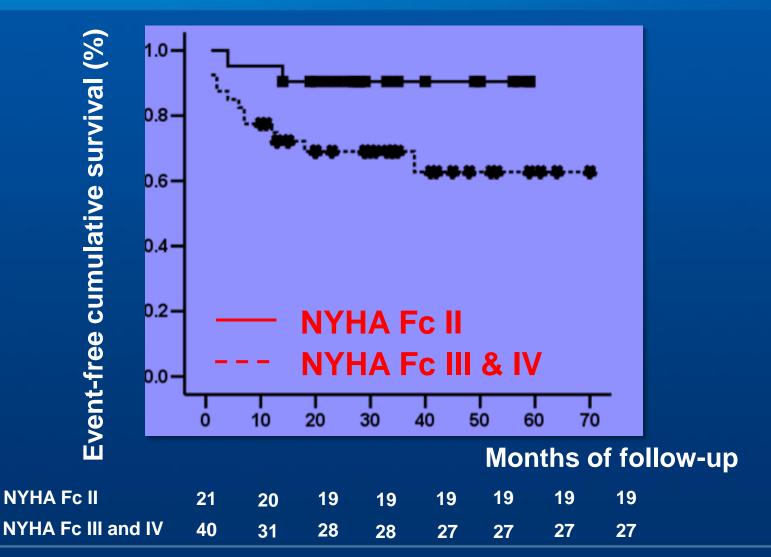


When to Operate TR: RV ESA

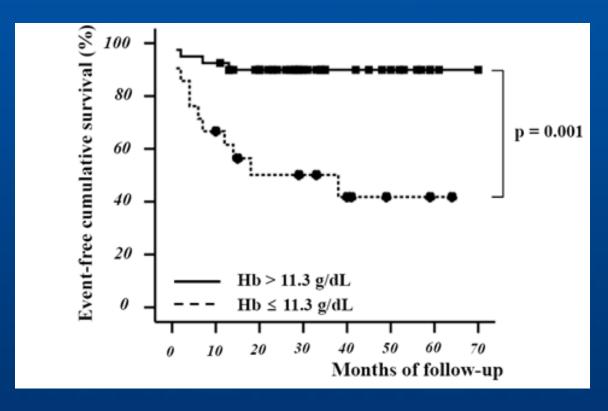


RVESA < 20 cm² 37 35 34 34 33 33 33 33 RVESA ≥ 20 cm² 24 16 13 13 13 13 13 13

When to Operate TR: NYHA Fc



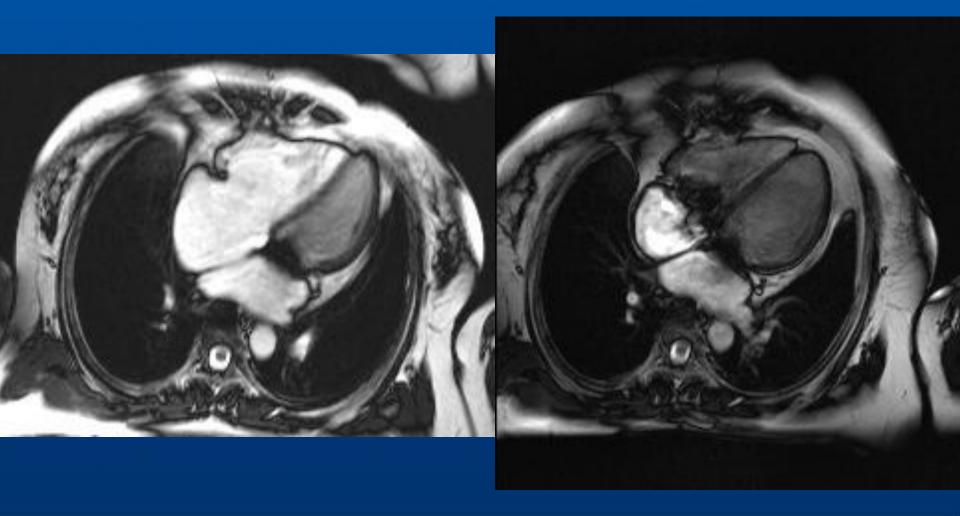
When to Operate TR: Hemoglobin



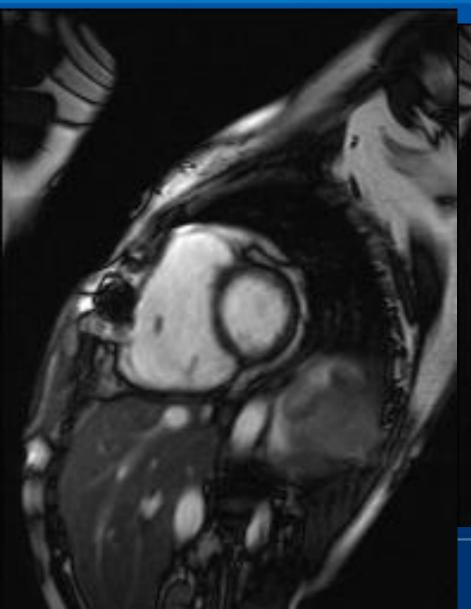
Hb > 11.3 g/dL 40 37 36 36 36 36 36 36

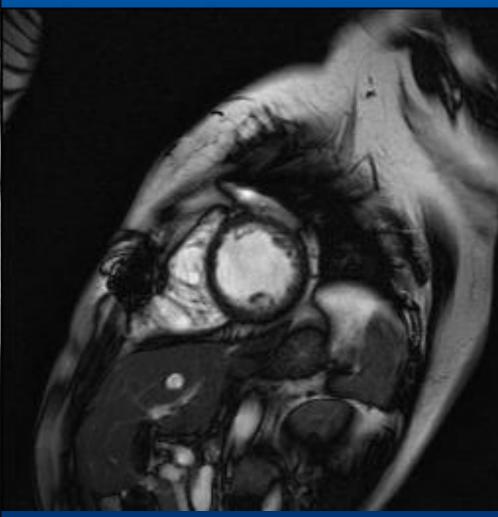
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Hemodynamic Effect of Surgery

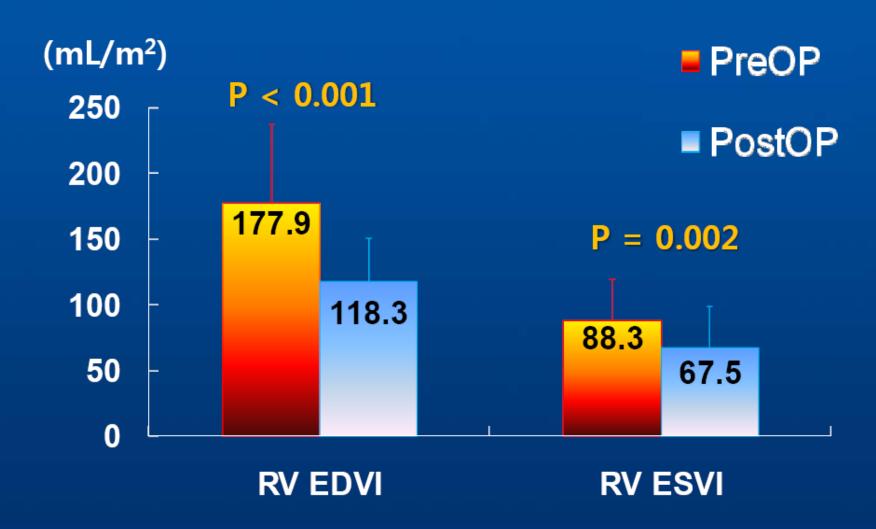


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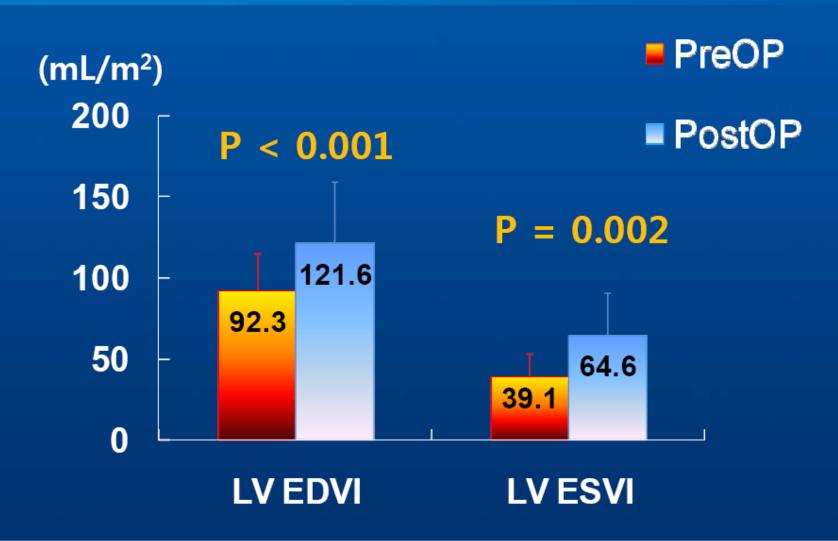




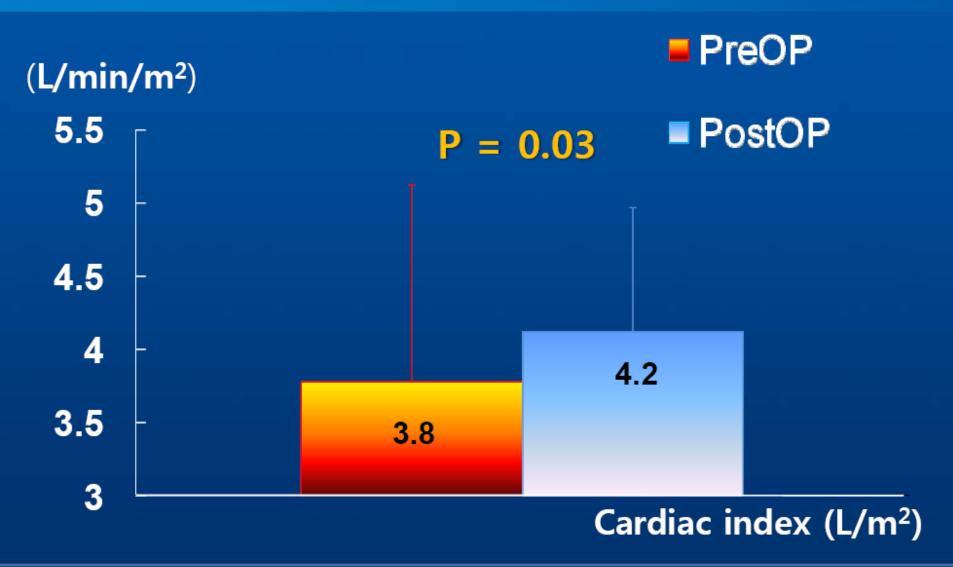
Change in RV Volume Index



Change in LV Volume Index



Change in Cardiac Index





Surgical Indication: AHA vs ESC

	ESC/EACTS	AHA/ACC	
Primary TR			
Symptomatic isolated severe TR without severe RV dysfunction	1	lla	
Severe TR undergoing left-sided surgery	1	T	
Moderate TR undergoing left-sided surgery	lla	Not mentioned	
Asymptomatic isolated mild or moderate TR and progressive RV dilatation or RV function deterioration	lla	IIb (only in severe TR)	
Secondary TR			
Severe TR undergoing left-sided surgery	1	T	
Mild or moderate TR with dilated annulus (\geq 40 mm or $>$ 21 mm/m 2) undergoing left-sided surgery	lla	IIa (only with progressive RV dilatation or prior right heart failure)	
Moderate TR and PH undergoing left-sided surgery	Not mentioned	IIb	
Persistant or recurrent severe TR after left-sided valve surgery			
Severe TR symptomatic, progressive RV dilatation, or RV function deterioration, but without severe RV or LV dysfunction, left-sided valve dysfunction and severe PH	lla		
Severe TR symptomatic without PH or severe RV dysfunction		IIb	

Thank you for your attention!

