

GESTIONE DEL PAZIENTE CON TROMBOEMBOLISMO VENOSO (VTE)

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Prima descrizione clinica (Helie, 1837):

Caso clinico inerente una signora di 65 anni, di professione lavandaia, di bassa statura e sovrappeso; deceduta dopo un episodio di improvvisa dispnea e cianosi del volto, circa due settimane dopo la distorsione di un arto inferiore; all'autopsia venne rilevato un *“cuore ingrandito con coaguli rossi ben organizzati nel ventricolo destro e nell'arteria polmonare”*.

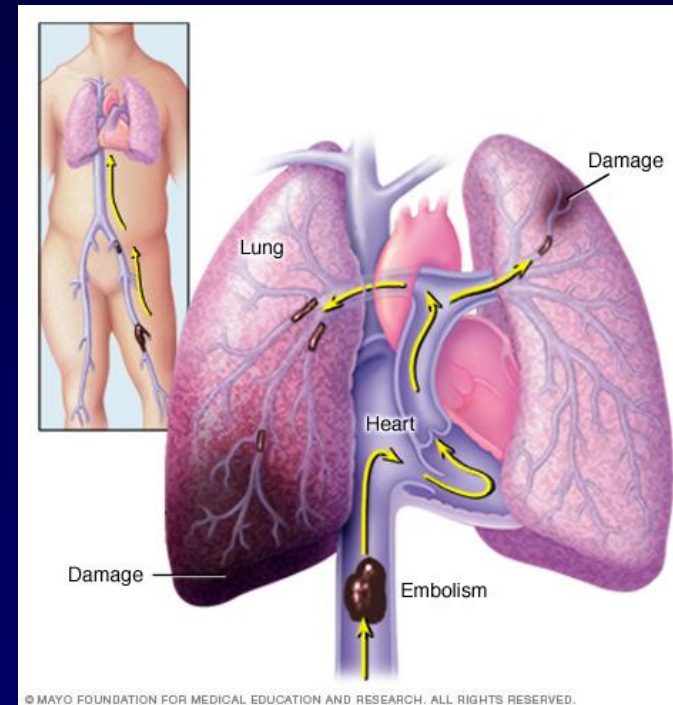
Tromboembolismo venoso: epidemiologia

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- Il tromboembolismo venoso è la terza più comune malattia cardiovascolare dopo la coronaropatia e lo stroke
- Il tromboembolismo venoso può presentarsi come **trombosi venosa profonda (DVT), embolia polmonare (PE) o ambedue:**
 - più del 50% di pazienti con trombosi venosa profonda ha evidenza di embolia polmonare silente
 - più del 70% di pazienti con embolia polmonare ha una trombosi venosa profonda
- I pazienti con VTE e fattori di rischio permanenti rimangono ad alta probabilità di sviluppare recidive negli anni a seguire



Tromboembolismo venoso: fattori di rischio

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Fattori di rischio iatrogeni	Secondari ad altre malattie	Secondari ad altre malattie e situazioni fisiologiche
Chirurgia maggiore	Trombofilie congenite	Iperomocisteinemia
Trattamento con estrogeni	Neoplasie (> ematologiche)	Vene varicose
Trombocitopenia indotta da eparina	Traumi	Età maggiore di 40 anni
Cateteri venosi centrali	Immobilità	Puerperio
	Stroke	Gravidanza
	Insufficienza cardiaca	Viaggi prolungati
	Infarto miocardico	
	Obesità	
	Sindrome nefrosica	
	IBD	

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- il 3% delle embolie polmonari esordisce come morte improvvisa
- 10% di pazienti con embolia polmonare sintomatica muore entro la prima ora
- oltre il 15% dei pazienti con embolia polmonare complicata da instabilità emodinamica muore entro un mese
- <10% dei pazienti deceduti precocemente riceve una corretta diagnosi prima del decesso
- il 30% delle DVT non diagnosticate si complica con una embolia polmonare sintomatica

Kearon C. *Circulation* 2003; Ribeiro A, et al. *Circulation* 1999;
Heit JA, et al. *Arch Intern Med* 1999; Cohen AT, et al. *Thromb Haemost* 2007
ESC Guidelines, 2014

Tromboembolismo venoso: prognosi a lungo termine

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- **RECIDIVE**

Il 30% dei pazienti con VTE ha ricorrenti episodi di tromboembolismo venoso

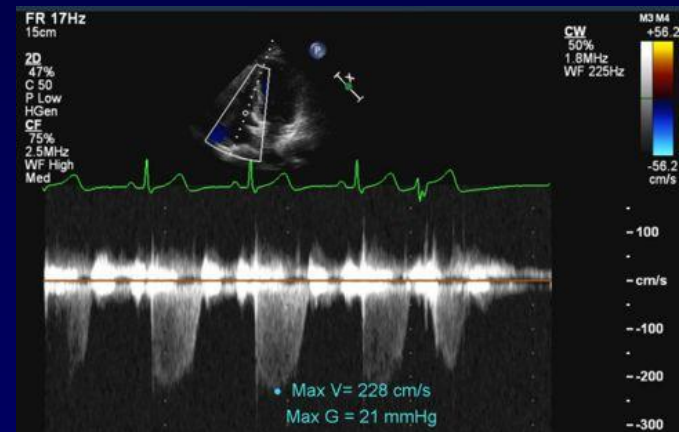
- **SINDROME POST-TROMBOTICA**

- Complicanza tardiva della DVT
- Incidenza del 20-25% a 2 anni

- **IPERTENSIONE POLMONARE CRONICA**

- Incidenza del 4% a 4 anni

- **Ulcerazioni venose**



Prandoni P, et al. *Ann Intern Med* 1996; Ginsberg JS. *Arch Intern Med* 2004;164:

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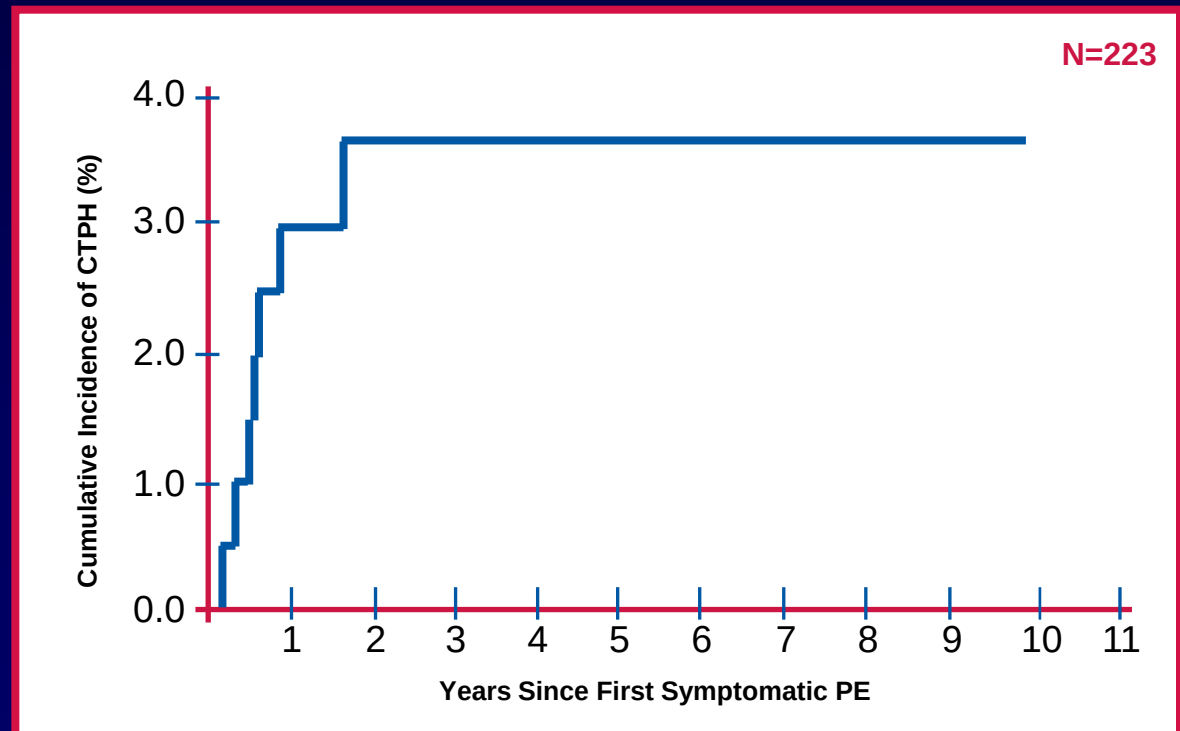
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- Incidenza cumulativa di ipertensione polmonare sintomatica in pazienti con embolia polmonare acuta
 - 1.0% a 6 mesi
 - 3.1% a 1 anno
 - 3.8% a 2 anni



Tromboembolismo venoso: obiettivi della terapia

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Goals terapeutici nella fase acuta:

Impedire la propagazione e l'embolizzazione del trombo

(anticoagulazione, filtri cavali)

Ridurre le resistenze polmonari (post-carico ventricolare destro)

(trombolisi, anticoagulazione, embolectomia)

Goals terapeutici a lungo termine

Prevenire complicanze e recidive

Una appropriata terapia anticoagulante riduce
di 3 volte la ricorrenza di VTE

Il trattamento a lungo termine è necessario per i pazienti con
fattori di rischio permanenti



Tromboembolismo venoso: Approccio Clinico

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CRITERIO DOMINANTE

➤ Paz. emodinamicamente instabile

TEMPO

➤ Paz. normoteso, dispnoico

**Stratificazione
Prognostica**

➤ Paz. eupnoico, dolore toracico
parietale, sospetta DVT

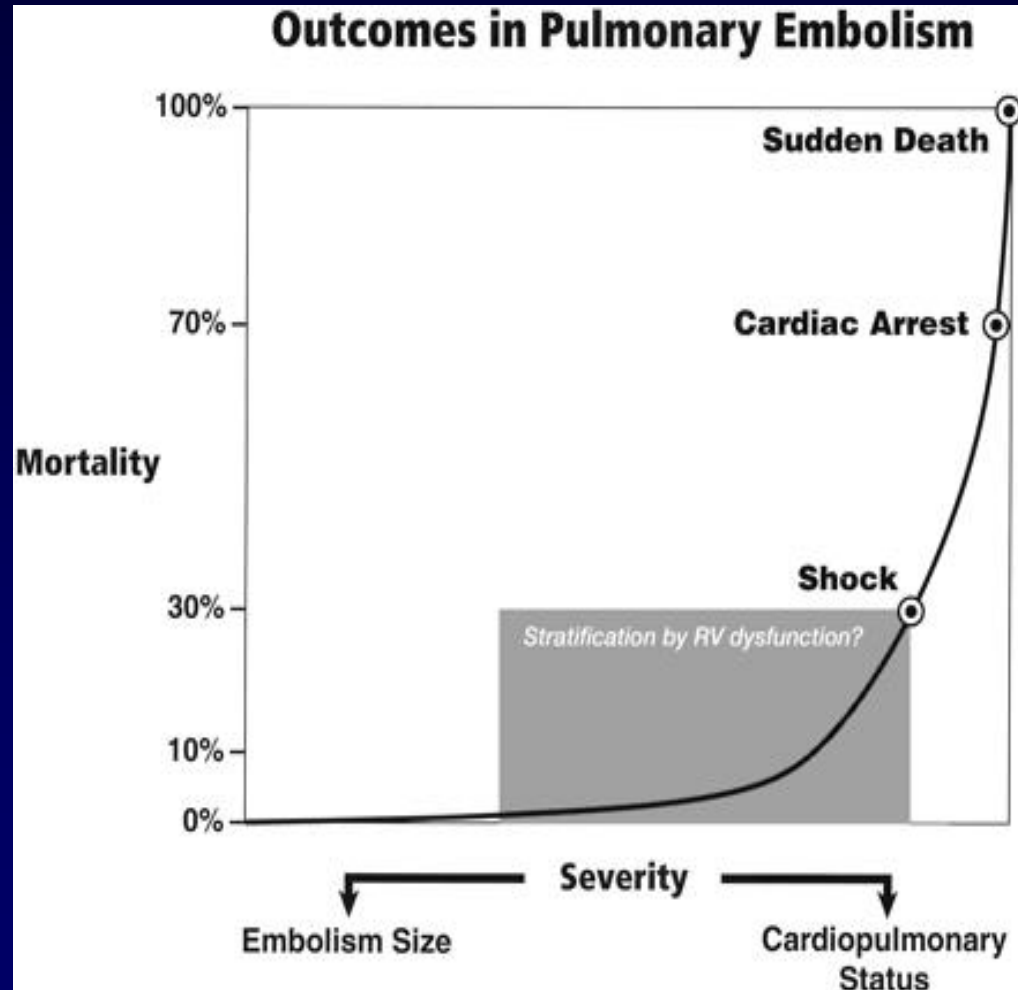
**Accuratezza
Diagnostica**

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Wood KE, Chest 2002

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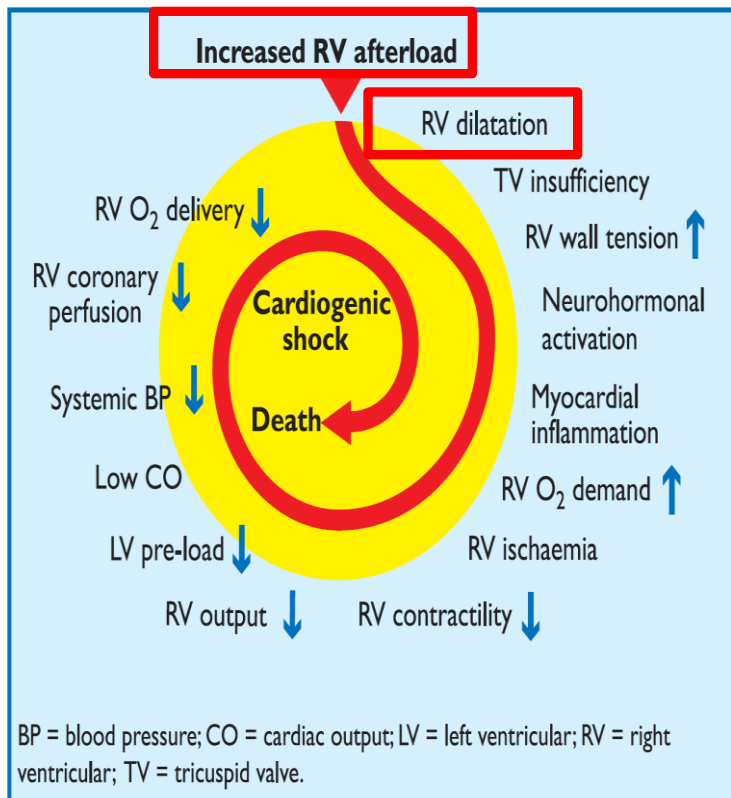
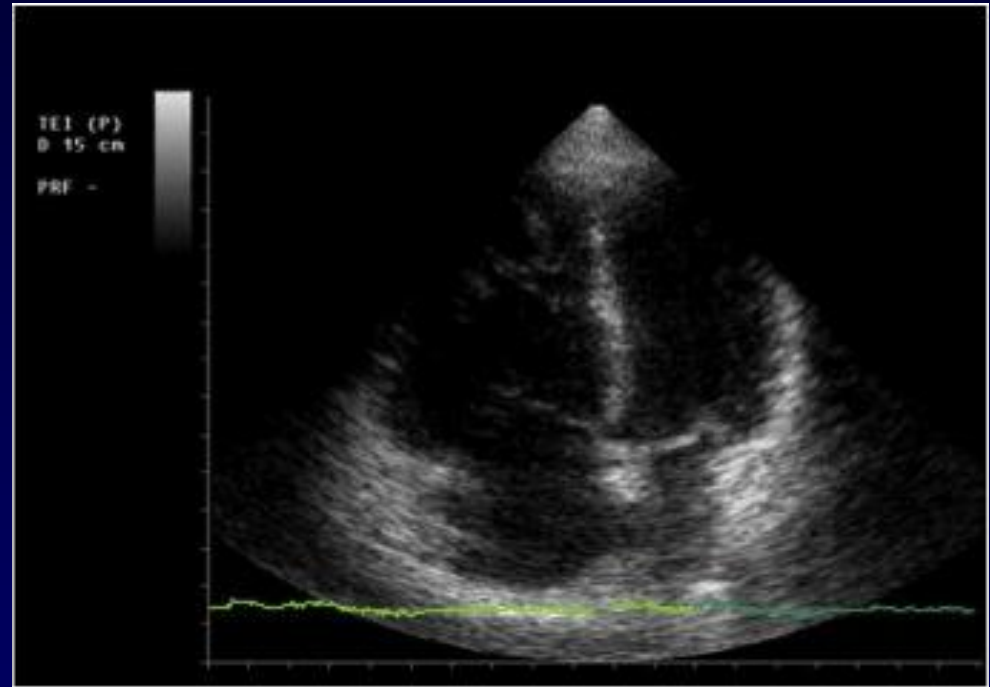


Figure 1 Key factors contributing to haemodynamic collapse in acute pulmonary embolism



La DISFUNZIONE VENTRICOLARE DESTRA risulta il meccanismo fisiopatologico maggiormente implicato nella prognosi del paziente: il riconoscimento di tale quadro permette un corretto inquadramento prognostico e terapeutico del paziente

Tromboembolismo venoso: Arresto Cardiac

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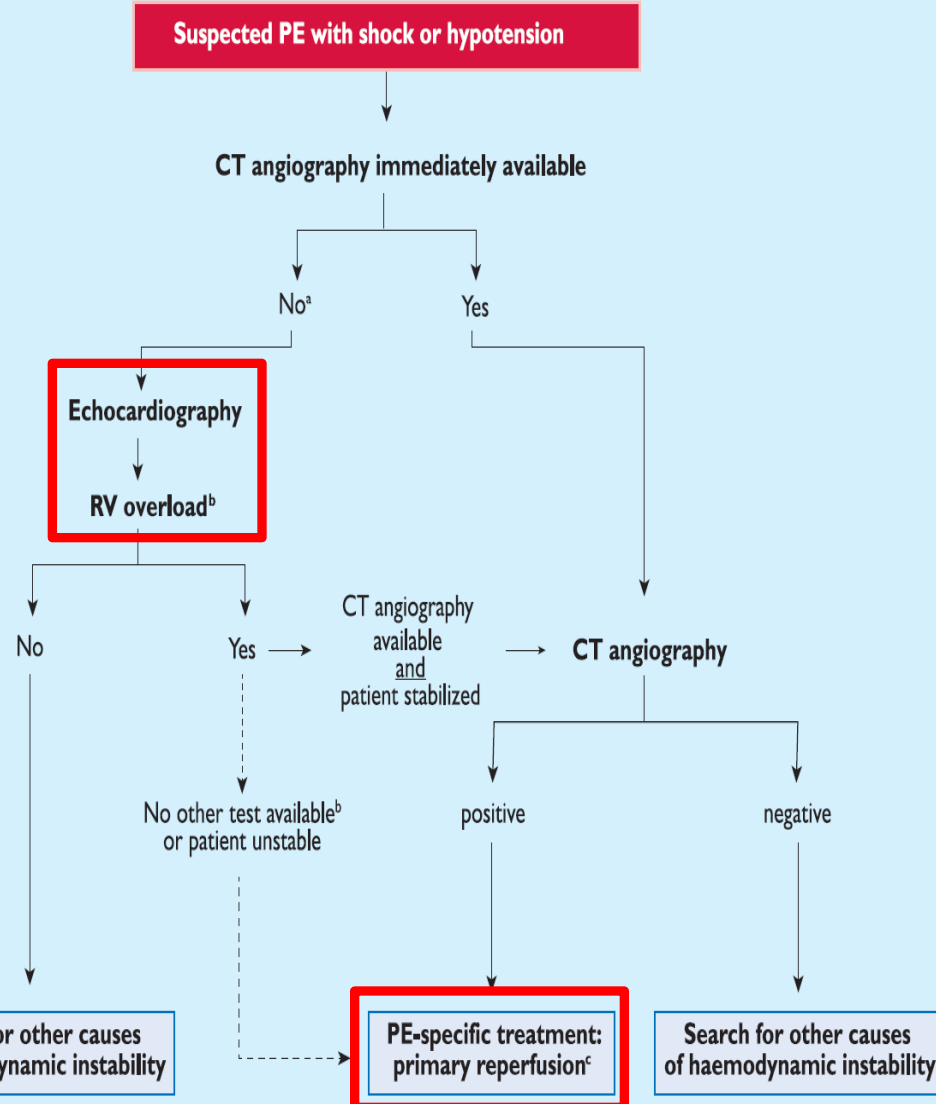
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VTE: algoritmo diagnostico-terapeutico



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Nel paziente **con instabilità emodinamica**, le cui condizioni cliniche non permettano l'esecuzione di una AngioTC, sono indicati esami mirati *bed-side* (ecocardiogramma transtoracico, CUS, eventuale TEE).

Il rilievo di ecocardiografico di disfunzione ventricolare destra in tali pazienti è sufficiente per avviare una **terapia di riperfusione** (trombolisi, trattamento endovascolare od embolectomia chirurgica).

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Trombolisi sistemica: realtà italiana

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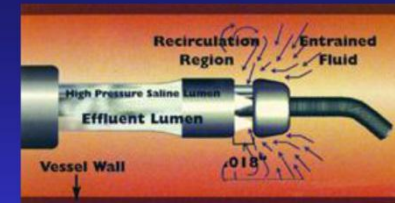
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Registro italiano IPER (1716 pazienti, 47 ospedali, 4 anni):

- pazienti sottoposti a trombolisi : 10.8%
- % di pazienti ad alto rischio sottoposti a trombolisi: 41%
- 14 pazienti (0.8%) sottoposti a trombectomia percutanea
- 2 pazienti ad embolectomia chirurgica
- attuale possibilità di ECMO come «bridge-therapy»
- in 64 pazienti (3.7%) impianto di filtro cavale



Angiojet Rheolytic Thrombectomy Device



Principle:
Suction created by high pressure saline injection



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Web Table 4 Contraindications to thrombolytic therapy (adapted from ref. 312)

Absolute contraindications:^a

- Haemorrhagic stroke or stroke of unknown origin at any time
- Ischaemic stroke in the preceding 6 months
- Central nervous system damage or neoplasms
- Recent major trauma/surgery/head injury in the preceding 3 weeks
- Gastrointestinal bleeding within the last month
- Known bleeding risk

Relative contraindications

- Transient ischaemic attack in the preceding 6 months
- Oral anticoagulant therapy
- Pregnancy, or within one week postpartum
- Non-compressible puncture site
- Traumatic resuscitation
- Refractory hypertension (systolic blood pressure >180 mm Hg)
- Advanced liver disease
- Infective endocarditis
- Active peptic ulcer

^aAbsolute contraindications to thrombolysis might become relative in a patient with immediately life-threatening high-risk PE.

Incidenza di
sanguinamenti
intracranici: **1-2%**

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Original Research

THROMBOEMBOLISM

Efficacy and Safety of Low Dose Recombinant Tissue-Type Plasminogen Activator for the Treatment of Acute Pulmonary Thromboembolism

A Randomized, Multicenter, Controlled Trial

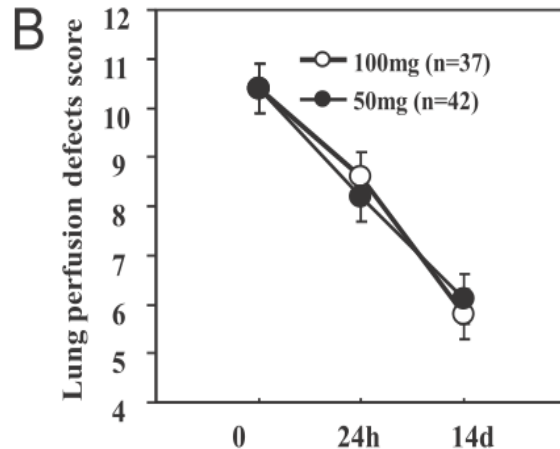


Table 3—Comparison of Adverse Events During the First 14 d After Treatment, Comparing Two Treatments for PTE

Adverse Events	rt-PA 100 mg (n = 48)	rt-PA 50 mg (n = 55)	P
Death	3 (6)	1 (2)	.472
Due to PTE	2 (4)	1 (2)	...
Due to bleeding	1 (2)	0 (0)	...
Bleeding complications	17 (32)	11 (17)	.054
Major bleeding	5 (10)	2 (3)	.288
Fatal bleeding	1 (2)	0 (0)	...
Others	4 (8)	2 (3)	...
Minor bleeding	12 (22)	9 (14)	.214
Recurrent PTE	2 (4)	1 (2)	.858
Fatal	0 (0)	0 (0)	...
Nonfatal	2 (4)	1 (2)	...

Data presented are number (%) of patients. Others = other major bleeding without death. See Table 1 for expansion of abbreviations.

VTE: stratificazione prognostica

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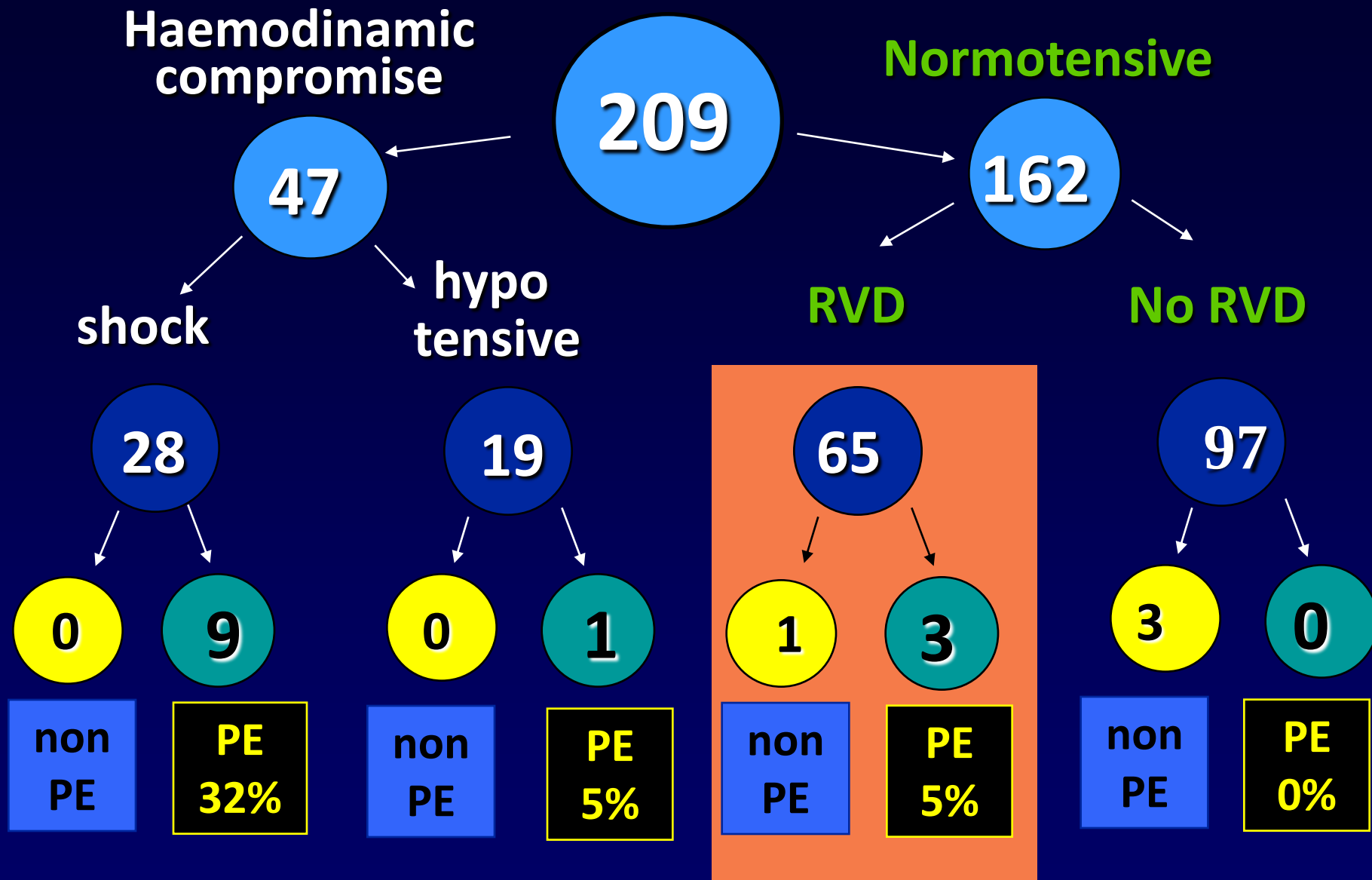


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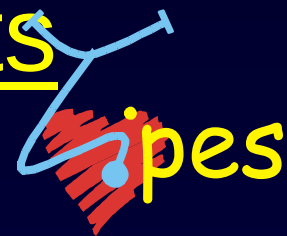
Early mortality risk		Risk parameters and scores			
		Shock or hypotension	PESI class III-V or sPESI $\geq 1^a$	Signs of RV dysfunction on an imaging test ^b	Cardiac laboratory biomarkers ^c
High	>15%	+	(+) ^d	+	(+) ^d
Intermediate	Intermediate-high	-	+	Both positive	
	Intermediate-low	-	+	Either one (or none) positive ^e	
Low	<1%	-	-	Assessment optional; if assessed, both negative ^e	

La stratificazione prognostica è strettamente correlata alla presenza dei fattori di rischio associati ad una elevata mortalità in acuto, in primis la presenza di shock / ipotensione e l'evidenza ecografica / bioumorale (incremento di troponina e BNP) di disfunzione ventricolare destra. Tali reperti vengono integrati nella stratificazione di rischio da altri fattori clinico-anamnestici, valutabili attraverso il PESI (*Pulmonary embolism severity index*), un punteggio confermatosi ad elevata accuratezza prognostica a 30 giorni.

IN-HOSPITAL MORTALITY (1995-97)

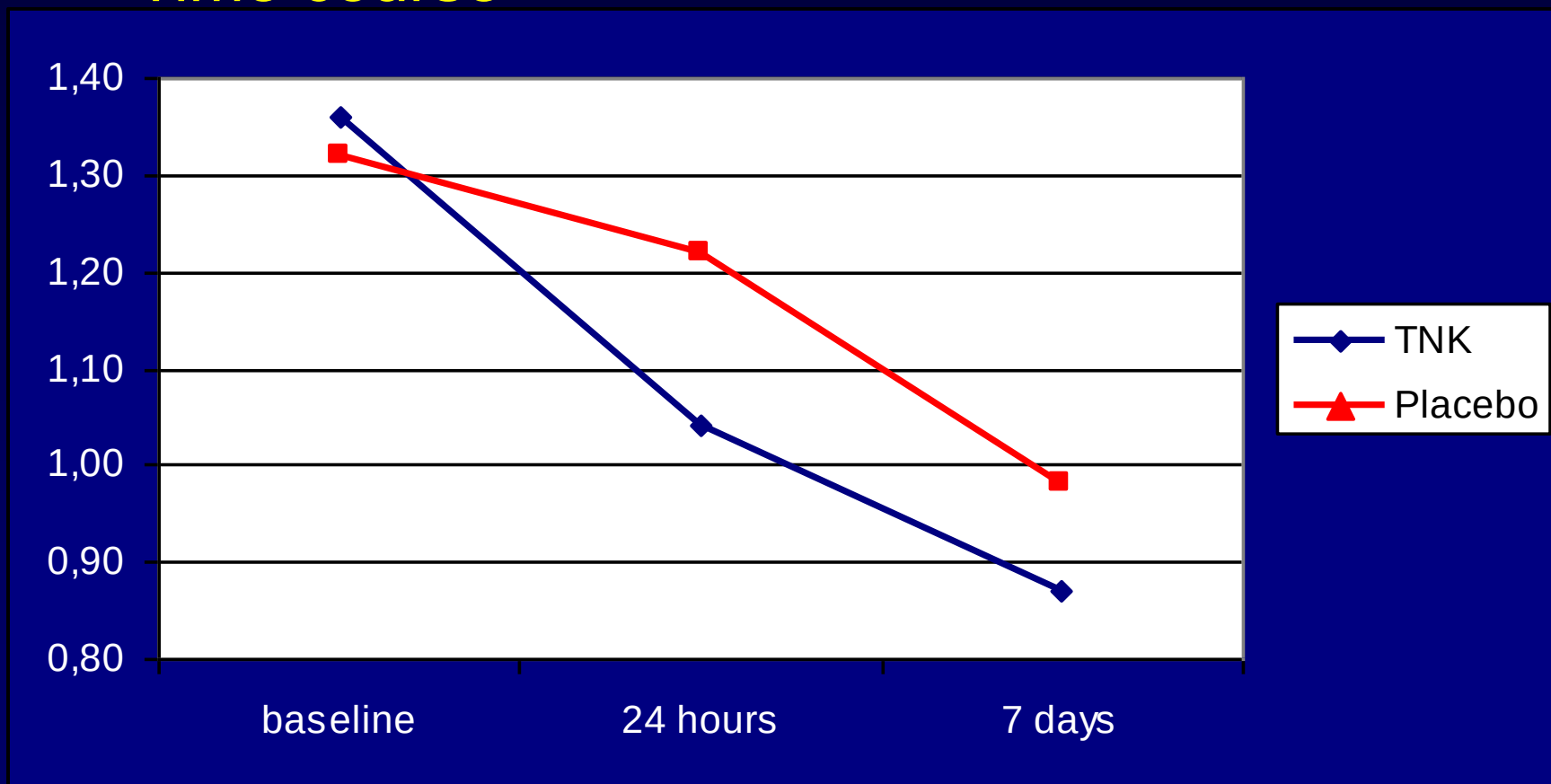


TNK in normotensive PE patients



R/L end-diastolic dimension ratio :

Time course



Agnelli G et al 2007

Trombolisi nei pazienti a rischio intermedio

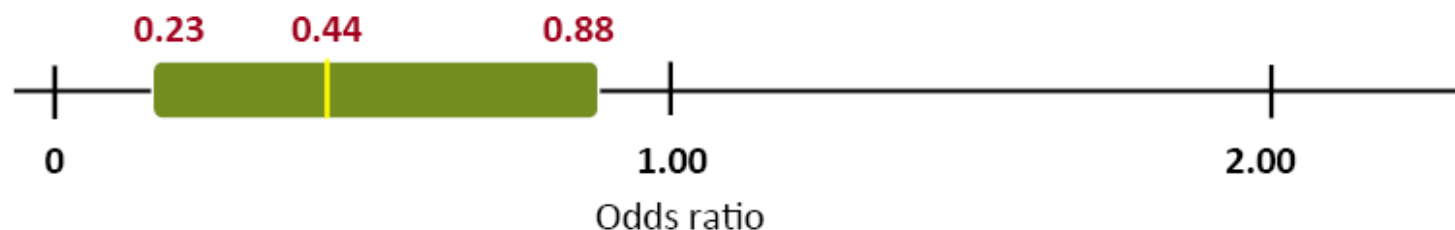
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PEITHO: Primary efficacy outcome

	Tenecteplase (n=506)		Placebo (n=499)		P value
	n	(%)	n	(%)	
All-cause mortality or hemodynamic collapse within 7 days of randomization	13	(2.6)	28	(5.6)	0.015



Thrombolysis superior

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PEITHO: Safety outcomes (2)

	Tenecteplase (n=506)		Placebo (n=499)		<i>P</i> value
	n	(%)	n	(%)	
All strokes by day 7	12	(2.4)	1	(0.2)	0.003
Hemorrhagic	10		1		
Ischemic	2		0		
Serious adverse events (SAE)	29	(5.7)	39	(7.8)	0.19

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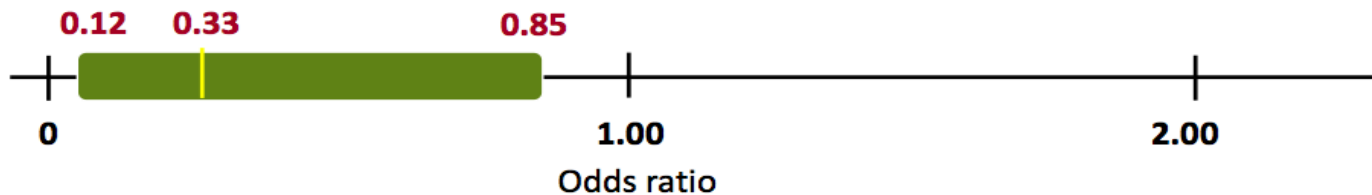


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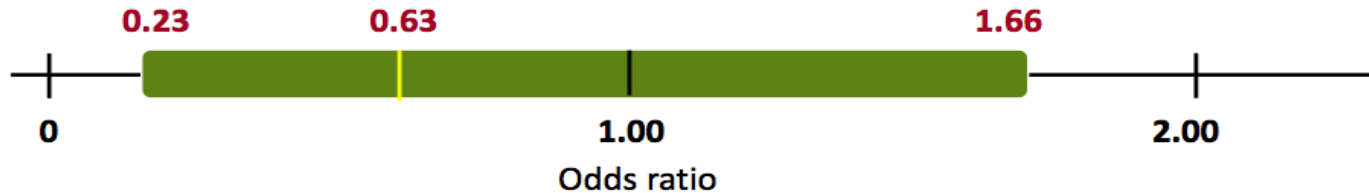


PEITHO: Primary end point according to age

Age ≤ 75 years



Age >75 years



ITT population

The PEITHO Investigators

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Moderate Pulmonary Embolism Treated With Thrombolysis (from the “MOPETT” Trial)

Mohsen Sharifi, MD^{a,b,*}, Curt Bay, PhD^b, Laura Skrocki, DO^a, Farnoosh Rahimi, MD^a,
and Mahshid Mehdipour, DMD^{a,b}, “MOPETT” Investigators

Table 2

Primary end points at 28 ± 5 mo of follow-up

Variable	TG (n = 58; 100%)	CG (n = 56; 100%)	p Value
Pulmonary hypertension*	9 (16%)	32 (57%)	<0.001
Pulmonary hypertension plus recurrent pulmonary embolism	9 (16%)	35 (63%)	<0.001

* Pulmonary artery systolic pressure ≥ 40 mm Hg.

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Table 3
Secondary end points

Variable	TG (n = 61; 100%)	CG (n = 60; 100%)	p Value
Recurrent pulmonary embolism	0	3 (5%)	0.08
Total mortality	1 (1.6%)	3 (5%)	0.30
Total mortality plus recurrent pulmonary embolism	1 (1.6%)	6 (10%)	0.049
Hospital stay (days)	2.2 ± 0.5	4.9 ± 0.8	<0.001
Bleeding	0	0	—

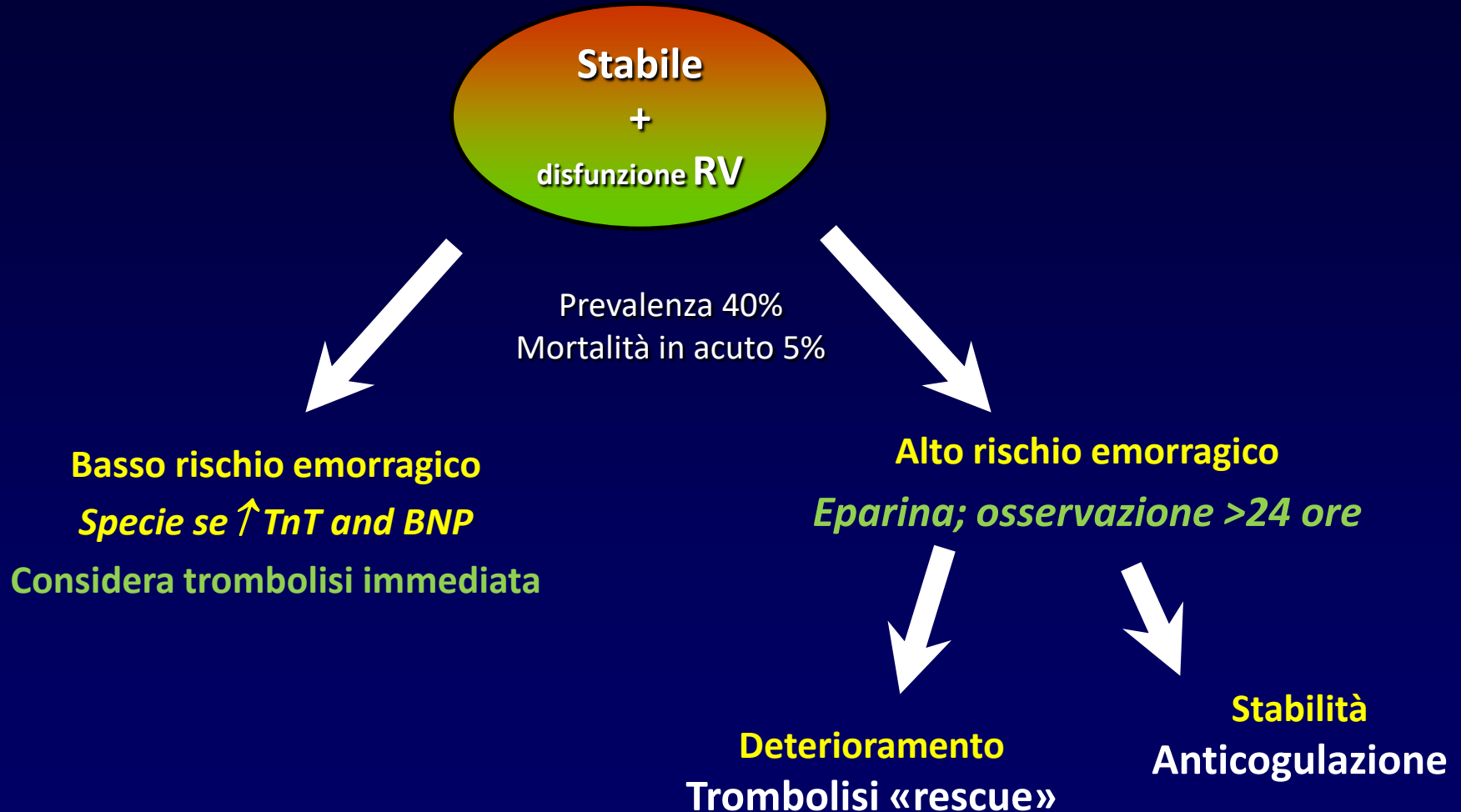
Data are presented as mean ± SD or n (%).

Pazienti a rischio intermedio: proposta di trattamento

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Pazienti a rischio intermedio: markers prognostici

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Limiti dei marker di disfunzione ventricolare destra

- Non esistono studi di confronto fra *scores* clinici, biomarkers ed *imaging* che abbiano identificato il miglior indicatore prognostico
- Sono stati utilizzati nei vari studi *cut-off* differenti per i vari biomarkers
- Nessun test ha dimostrato un potere predittivo positivo che possa guidare nella scelta della trombolisi

Pazienti a rischio intermedio: quali altri markers prognostici?

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Short-term clinical outcome of normotensive patients with acute PE and high plasma lactate

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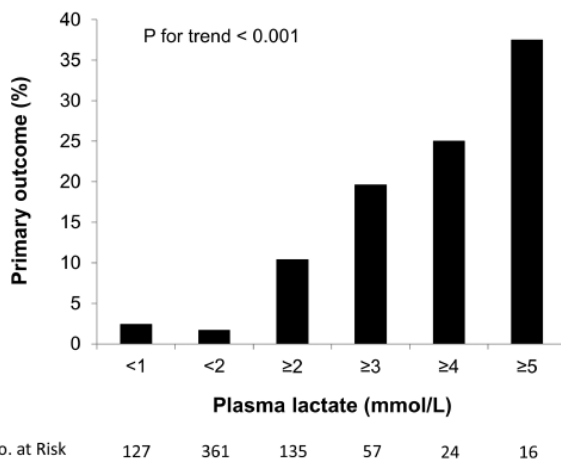


Figure 2 Frequency of the primary outcome according to baseline lactate levels.

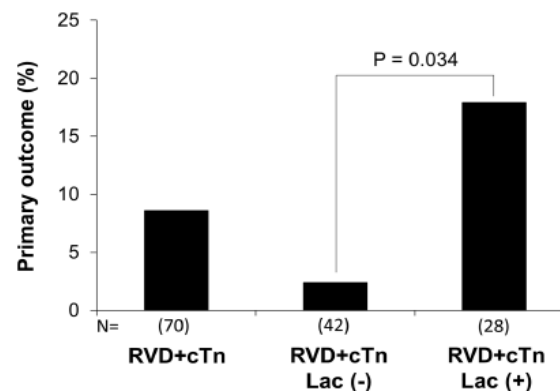


Figure 3 Escalation of PE-related complication rates depending on lactate levels in combination with echocardiography and troponin. cTn, elevated cardiac troponin; Lac (+), lactate ≥ 2 mmol/L; Lac (-), lactate < 2 mmol/L; RVD, right ventricular dysfunction.

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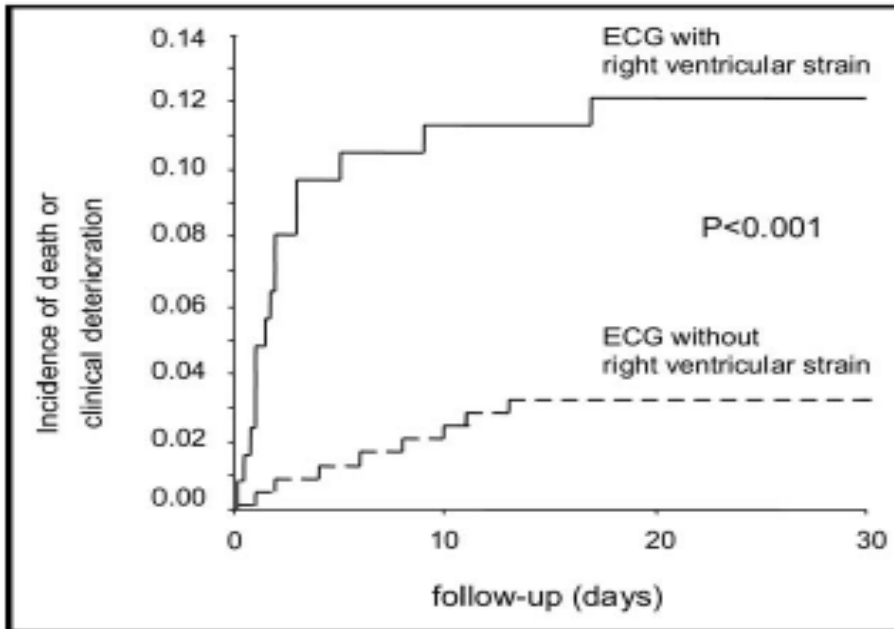


Figure 1 In-hospital follow-up of patients with first episode of acute pulmonary embolism and normal blood pressure based on ECG pattern at presentation. ECG = electrocardiography.

- S1 Q3 T 3
- BBdx
- Onde T negative in V1-V4

Prognostic value of ECG among patients with acute pulmonary embolism and normal blood pressure.

Vanni S, Polidori G, Vergara R, Pepe G, Nazerian P, Moroni F, Daviddi F, Grifoni S.

Am J Med. 2009 Mar;122(3):257

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TABLE 5 Risk score

Predictor	Points
SBP 90–100 mmHg	2
Elevated cardiac troponin	2
RVD (echocardiogram or CT scan)	2
Heart rate ≥ 110 beats per min	1

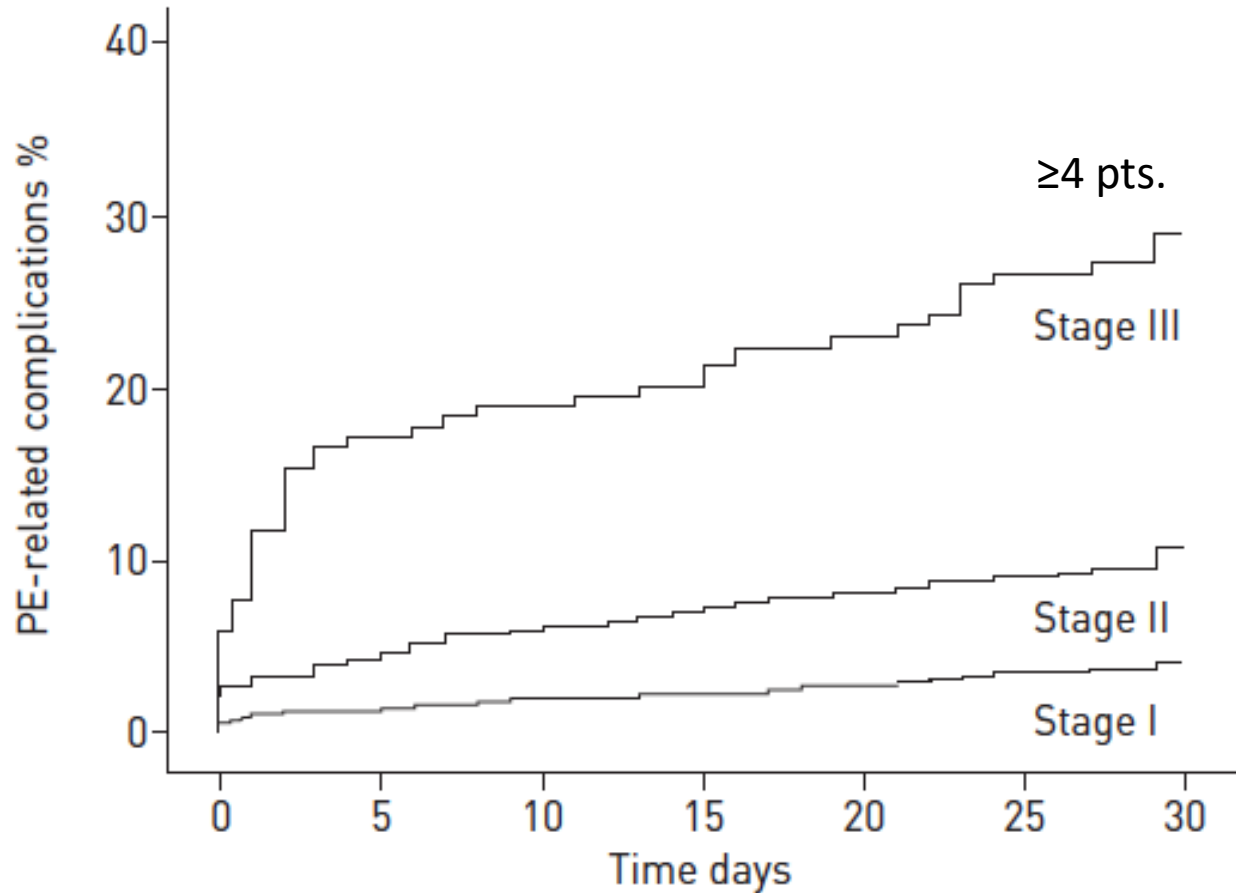
Points are assigned for each variable of the scoring system to obtain a total point score (range 0–7). SBP: systolic blood pressure; RVD: right ventricular dysfunction; CT: computed tomography.

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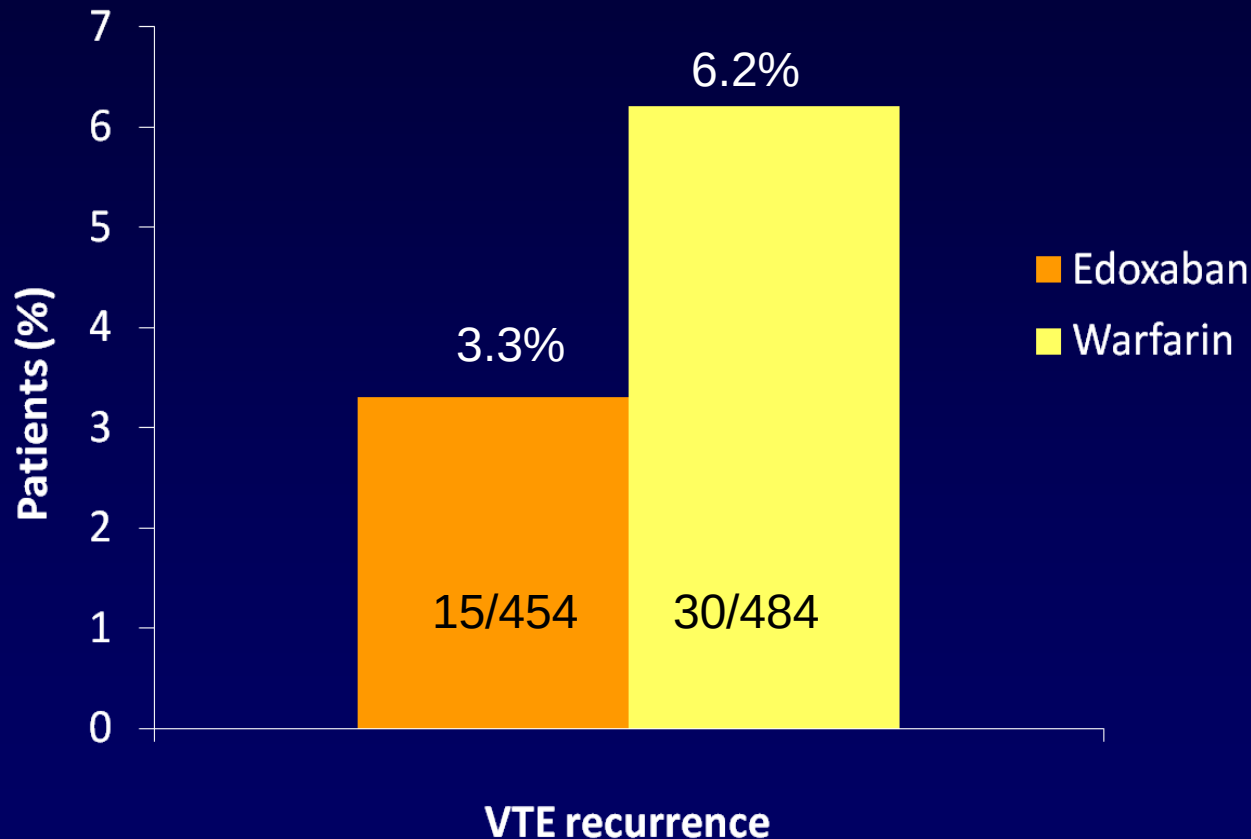
Edoxaban:

studio HOKUSAI-VTE

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In PE patients with NT-proBNP levels ≥ 500 pg/mL
recurrent VTE occurred in 15 of 454 patients (3.3%) who received edoxaban
and in 30 of 484 patients (6.2%) given warfarin (HR 0.52 [0.28-0.98])

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EDOXABAN

-efficacia sovrapponibile al trattamento tradizionale con WARFARIN in termini di recidiva di malattia tromboembolica venosa (RR 0.89; IC 95%: 0.70-1.13)

-ridotta incidenza di sanguinamenti, maggiori o clinicamente rilevanti (RR 0.81; IC 95%: 0.71-0.94)

Edoxaban	Hokusai-VTE ²⁹⁸	Double-blind, double-dummy	LMWH/edoxaban (60 mg o.d.; 30 mg o.d. if creatinine clearance 30–50 ml/min or body weight <60 kg) vs. UFH or LMWH/warfarin	Variable, 3–12 months	8240 patients with acute DVT and/or PE	Recurrent VTE or fatal PE: 3.2% under edoxaban vs. 3.5% under warfarin	Major or CRNM bleeding: 8.5% under edoxaban vs. 10.3% under warfarin
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DABIGATRAN

-**efficacia sovrapponibile** al trattamento tradizionale con WARFARIN in termini di recidiva di malattia tromboembolica venosa, nei risultati congiunti di due trial clinici della durata di 6 mesi (HR 1.09; IC 95%: 0.76-1.57)

-**incidenza sovrapponibile di sanguinamenti maggiori** (HR 0.73; IC 95%: 0.48-1.11)
ridotta incidenza di sanguinamenti di qualsiasi entità

Drug	Trial	Design	Treatments and dosage	Duration	Patients	Efficacy outcome (results)	Safety outcome (results)
Dabigatran	RE-COVER ²⁹³	Double-blind, double-dummy	Enoxaparin/dabigatran (150 mg b.i.d.) ^a vs. enoxaparin/warfarin	6 months	2539 patients with acute VTE	Recurrent VTE or fatal PE: 2.4% under dabigatran vs. 2.1% under warfarin	Major bleeding: 1.6% under dabigatran vs. 1.9% under warfarin
	RE-COVER II ²⁹⁴	Double-blind, double-dummy	Enoxaparin/dabigatran (150 mg b.i.d.) ^a vs. enoxaparin/warfarin	6 months	2589 patients with acute VTE	Recurrent VTE or fatal PE: 2.3% under dabigatran vs. 2.2% under warfarin	Major bleeding: 15 patients under dabigatran vs. 22 patients under warfarin

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RIVAROXABAN

-**efficacia sovrapponibile** al trattamento tradizionale con WARFARIN in termini di recidiva di tromboembolia

(HR 1.12; IC 95%: 0.75-1.68)

-sovrapponibile incidenza di sanguinamenti di rilevanza clinica; **ridotta incidenza di sanguinamenti maggiori**

(1.1% vs 2.2%; HR 0.49; IC 95%: 0.31-0.79);

Rivaroxaban	EINSTEIN-DVT ²⁹⁵	Open-label	Rivaroxaban (15 mg b.i.d. for 3 weeks, then 20 mg o.d.) vs. enoxaparin/warfarin	3, 6, or 12 months	3449 patients with acute DVT	Recurrent VTE or fatal PE: 2.1% under rivaroxaban vs. 3.0% under warfarin	Major or CRNM bleeding 8.1% under rivaroxaban vs. 8.1% under warfarin
	EINSTEIN-PE ²⁹⁶	Open-label	Rivaroxaban (15 mg b.i.d. for 3 weeks, then 20 mg o.d.) vs. enoxaparin/warfarin	3, 6, or 12 months	4832 patients with acute PE	Recurrent VTE or fatal PE: 2.1% under rivaroxaban vs. 1.8% under warfarin	Major or CRNM bleeding: 10.3% under rivaroxaban vs. 11.4% under warfarin

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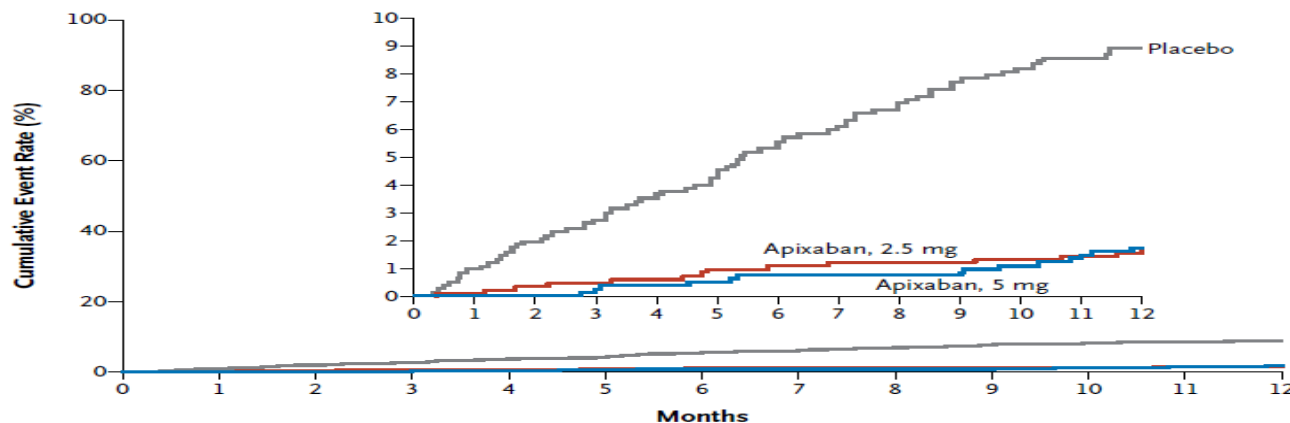
APIXABAN

-**efficacia sovrapponibile** al trattamento tradizionale con WARFARIN in termini di recidiva di malattia tromboembolica venosa (RR 0.84; IC 95%: 0.60-1.18)

-**ridotta incidenza di sanguinamenti**, sia maggiori che clinicamente rilevanti (RR 0.44; IC 95%: 0.36-0.55)

Apixaban	AMPLIFY ²⁹⁷	Double-blind, double-dummy	Apixaban (10 mg b.i.d. for 7 days, then 5 mg b.i.d.) vs. enoxaparin/warfarin	6 months	5395 patients with acute DVT and/or PE	Recurrent VTE or fatal PE: 2.3% under apixaban vs. 2.7% under warfarin	Major bleeding: 0.6% under apixaban vs. 1.8% under warfarin
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A Symptomatic Recurrent VTE or VTE-Related Death



No. at Risk

Apixaban, 2.5 mg	840	836	825	818	533
Apixaban, 5 mg	813	807	799	791	513
Placebo	826	796	768	743	471

Tutti i NAO sono risultati non inferiori al warfarin in termini di recidiva di tromboembolia, ed in alcuni casi più sicuri in termini di sanguinamenti maggiori o clinicamente rilevanti.

In un gruppo selezionato di pazienti a rischio intermedio, Edoxaban si è dimostrato superiore

Il loro utilizzo in alternativa al WARFARIN è di conseguenza preso in considerazione nelle linee guida ESC 2014 (Classe I, Liv. evidenza B)



NAO: limiti attuali

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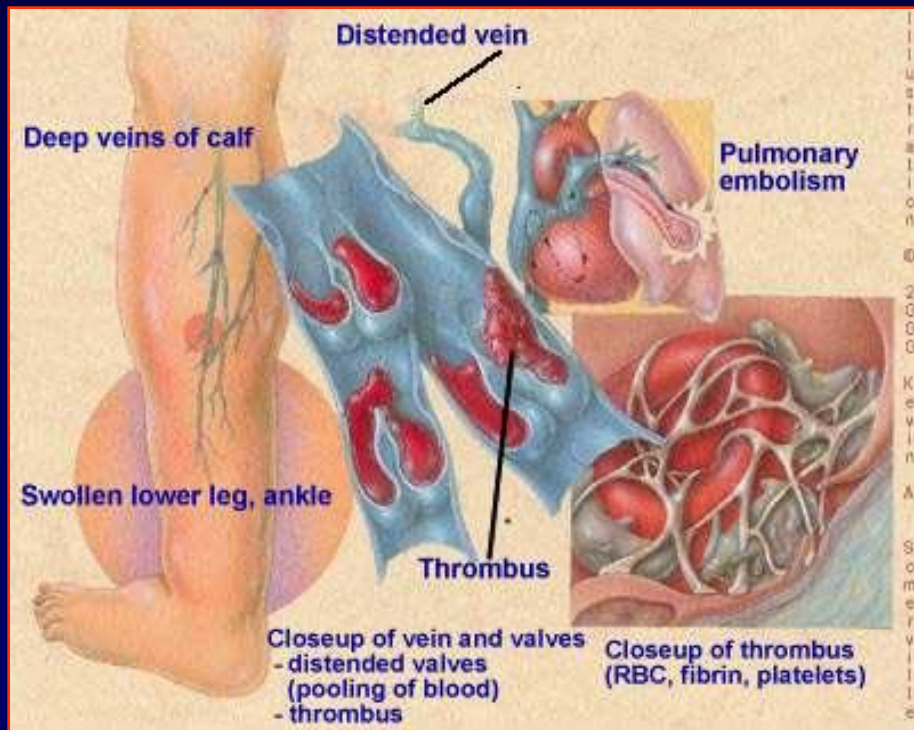
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- Non vi è dimostrazione di una maggiore efficacia della terapia anticoagulante tradizionale nel prevenire recidive di TEP; inoltre, non vi sono tuttora studi di confronto definitivi tra i vari NAO
- ridotta esperienza clinica su pazienti >80 anni e con comorbidità significative (nefro- ed epatopatie) o politerapie concomitanti
- ridotta esperienza inerente i tempi di avvio di tale terapia nei pazienti potenzialmente evolutivi (rischio intermedio): studio PEITHO-2
- più complesso approccio agli eventi emorragici, sia per la difficoltà a valutare l'assetto coagulativo che per l'assenza di un efficace antidoto universale (dabigatran ed idarucizumab)

GESTIONE DEL PAZIENTE CON TROMBOEMBOLISMO VENOSO (VTE)



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Ultima riflessione :

**“Il nostro corpo è una
macchina per vivere.
E’ organizzato a questo scopo
e questa è la sua natura
Fate sì che la vita prosegua in
esso”**

Lev Tolstoi

ALTRE DIAPOSITIVE

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Conclusioni

- Trials nel trattamento del tromboembolismo venoso

Rivaroxaban apixaban hanno mostrato efficacia sovrapponibile alla terapia tradizionale ma con importante riduzione delle emorragie maggiori maggiori HR 0,49

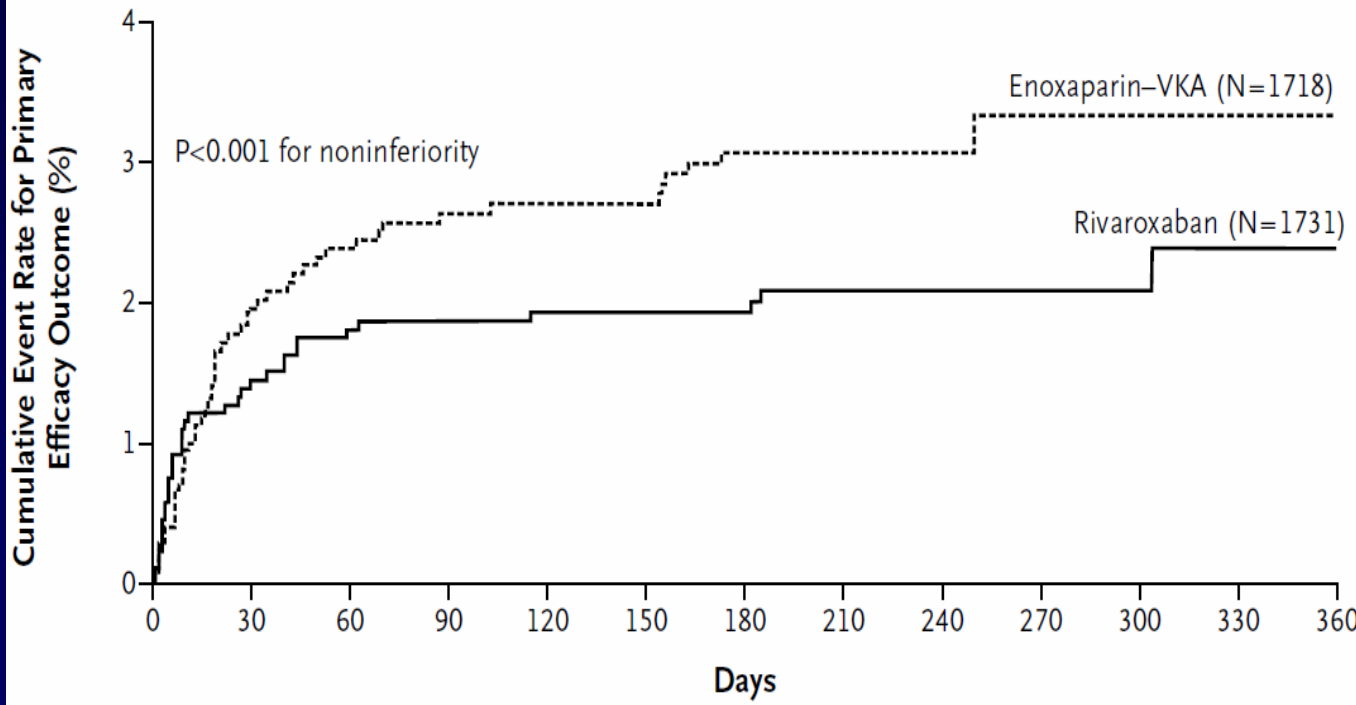
- Negli studi extension ridotta incidenza di tromboembolismo venoso con aumento dell'incidenza di emorragie maggiori per Rivaroxaban e dabigatran (non apixaban) rispetto al placebo
- Edoxaban Sottogruppo di pazienti (n=938) con embolia polmonare ed associato incremento di NTproBNP riduzione delle recidive



Rivaroxaban for acute VTE

The EINSTEIN-DVT trial

Treatment	Recurrent VTE
Rivaroxaban	2.1%
Standard treatment	3.0%

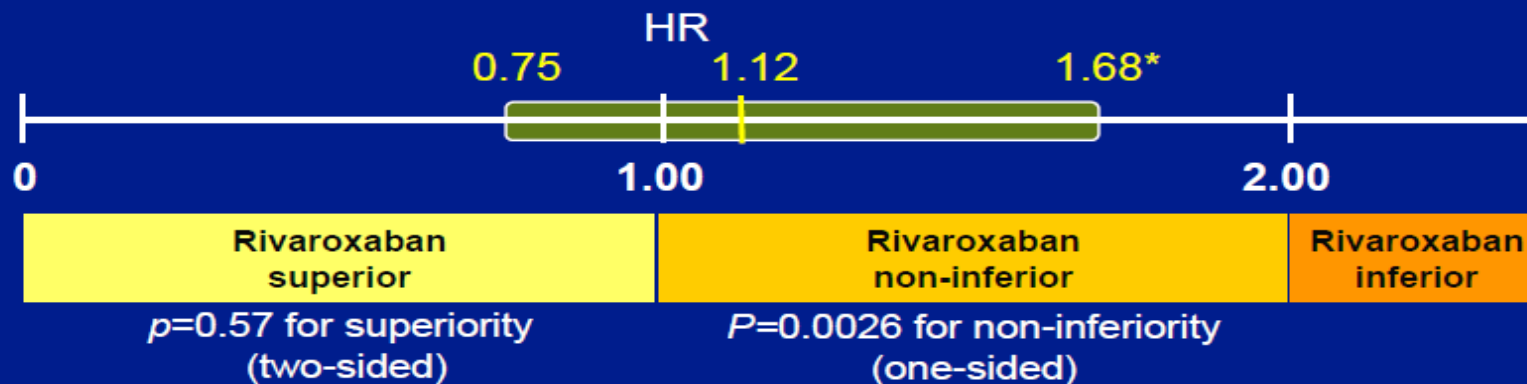


Conclusion:
rivaroxaban is
as effective and
safe as
standard
treatment for
acute DVT

EINSTEIN-PE

EINSTEIN PE: primary efficacy outcome analysis

	Rivaroxaban (N=2419)		Enoxaparin/VKA (N=2413)	
	n	(%)	n	(%)
First symptomatic recurrent VTE	50	(2.1)	44	(1.8)
Recurrent DVT	18	(0.7)	17	(0.7)
Recurrent DVT + PE	0		2	(<0.1)
Non-fatal PE	22	(0.9)	19	(0.8)
Fatal PE/unexplained death where PE cannot be ruled out	10	(0.4)	6	(0.2)



*Potential relative risk increase <68.4%; absolute risk difference 0.24% (-0.5 to 1.02)

EINSTEIN; end-point di

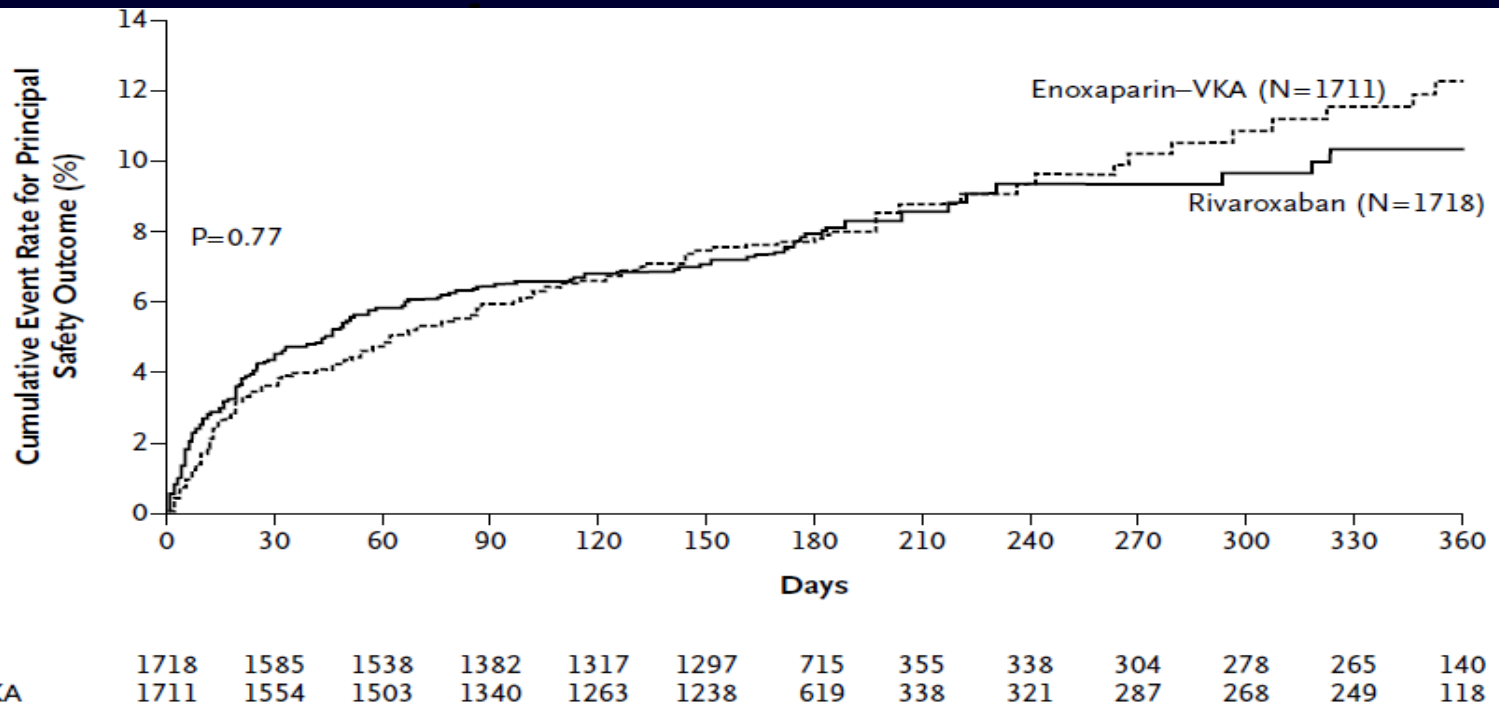


Figure 3. Kaplan–Meier Cumulative Event Rates for the Principal Safety Outcome in the Acute DVT Study. VKA denotes vitamin K antagonist.

In conclusion, oral rivaroxaban, at a dose of 15 mg twice daily for the first 3 weeks, followed by 20 mg once daily thereafter, without the need for laboratory monitoring, may provide an effective, safe, single-drug approach to the initial and continued treatment of venous thrombosis.

EINSTEIN PE: conclusions

- ◆ In patients with acute symptomatic PE with or without DVT, rivaroxaban showed:
 - Non-inferiority to LMWH/VKA for efficacy: HR=1.12 (0.75–1.69); $p_{\text{non-inferiority}}=0.0026$ for non-inferiority margin of 2.0
 - Similar findings for principal safety outcome: HR=0.90 (0.76–1.07); $p=0.23$
 - Superiority for major bleeding: HR=0.49 (0.31–0.79) $p=0.0032$
 - Consistent efficacy and safety results irrespective of age, body weight, gender, kidney function and cancer
 - No evidence for liver toxicity

EINSTEIN-Extension: Rivaroxaban in the long-term prevention of recurrent, symptomatic VTE

Patients completed 6 - 12 months of anticoagulant treatment for acute episode of VTE.

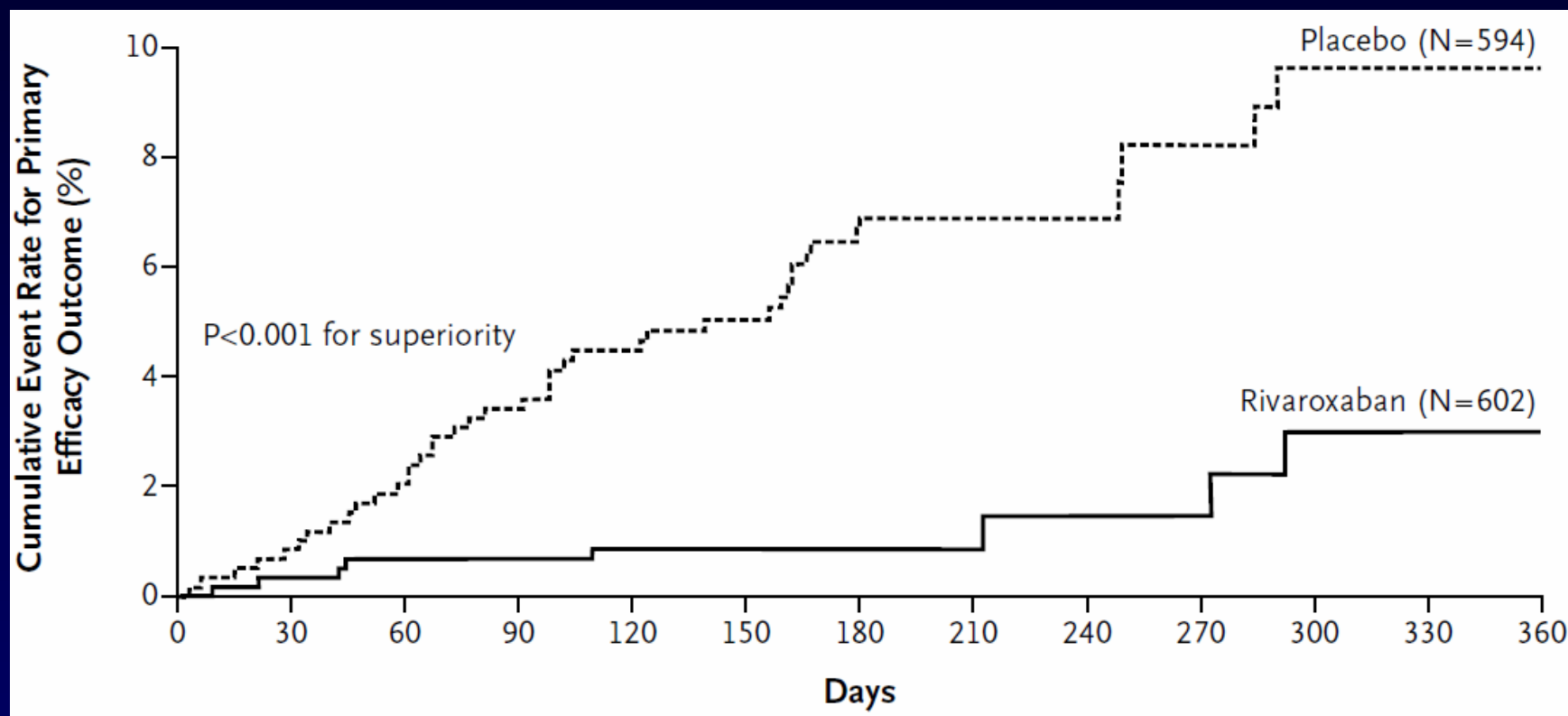
Rivaroxaban (direct oral factor Xa inhibitor) 20mg OD vs placebo

N = 1197

Primary efficacy outcome: symptomatic recurrent VTE (composite of recurrent DVT, non-fatal PE, and fatal PE).

Principal safety outcome: Major bleeding

Rivaroxaban to prevent recurrent VTE *The EINSTEIN-Extension trial*



Rivaroxaban prevented 34 recurrent events at a cost of 4 major bleeding events

1 recurrence prevented per 15 patients treated; 1 major bleed per 139 patients treated

EINSTEIN-Extension Results

N = 1197	Rivaroxaban 20mg/OD n(%)	Placebo n (%)	P- value
Symptomatic recurrent VTE events*	8 (1.3%)	42 (7.1%)	$P < 0.0001$
Major bleeding	4 (0.7%)	0	$P = 0.106$
Clinically relevant non-major bleeding	32 (5.4%)	7 (1.2%)	
Deaths	1 (0.2%)	2 (0.3%)	
ALT 3xULN/total bilirubin >2xULN.	0	0	

*Hazard ratio, 0.18; 95 % CI, 0.09 – 0.39

NNT = 15

NNH = 139

Conclusion: Fixed dose of 20 mg of rivaroxaban once-daily is associated with an 82% relative risk reduction in the recurrence of VTE in patients who had completed a 6 -12 months of anticoagulant therapy for their index event. The mean duration of therapy was 190 days in both groups.

NNT: Number needed to treat

NNH: Number needed to harm

ULN = Upper limit of normal

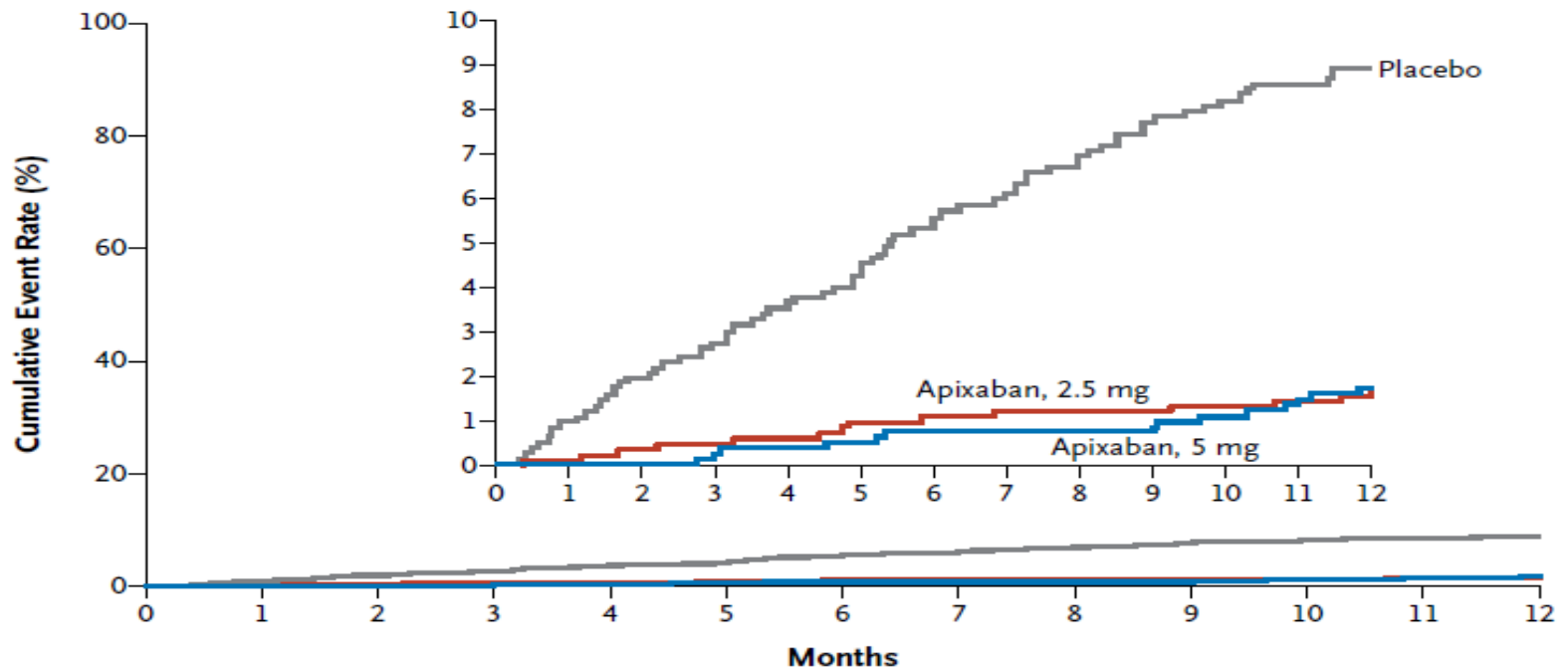
ALT = Alanine aminotransferase



AMPLIFY-Extension Results

Trial	Treatments	Patients	Trials design and methods
extended apixaban vs placebo			
AMPLIFY-EXT , 2012 [NCT00633893] n=2430 follow-up: 12 mo	Extended Treatment with apixaban 5 or 2.5 mg twice daily 12 months versus placebo	patients who have completed their intended treatment for deep vein thrombosis or pulmonary embolism	Parallel groups double blind

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Limiti dei marker di disfunzione ventricolare destra

- Non esistono studi di confronto fra score clinici, biomarkers ed imaging che abbiano identificato il miglior indicatore prognostico
- Sono state utilizzati nei vari studi cut-off differenti per i vari biomarkers
- Nessun test ha dimostrato un potere predittivo positivo che possa guidare nella scelta del trattamento trombolitico

Limiti del trattamento fibrinolitico secondo Peitho

- Trattamento salvavita nella fase acuta
- Non differenze su RVD a lungo termine

Limiti di NAO nel TEV

Uso diffuso del Warfarin

Bilancio tra costi ed efficacia

Non antidoti

Difficile assessment per quanto riguarda la compliance dei pazienti

Non esistono studi scientifici di confronto tra i diversi farmaci

Difficoltà ad interpretare la non inferiorità dei risultati

Difficile aderenza dei pazienti ad assumere i farmaci due volte al giorno



- Eur H J 2014 kostantinides
- Peitho meyer N E J med 2014
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Mortalità; PESI e sPESI

Table 3. Thirty-Day Mortality Within Risk Strata Derived From the Original and the Simplified PESI in the Derivation and Validation Cohorts

PESI Risk Categories	Original PESI Derivation Cohort, % (95% CI)		Simplified PESI Derivation Study Cohort, % (95% CI)		Simplified PESI Validation (RIETE) Cohort, % (95% CI)	
	Patients (n=10 354)	Deaths ^a (n=953)	Patients (n=995)	Deaths (n=78)	Patients (n=7106)	Deaths (n=434)
Original						
I	19.4 (18.7-20.2)	1.1 (0.7-1.7)	14.3 (12.1-16.4) ^b	2.1 (0.2-4.5)		
II	21.5 (20.7-22.3)	3.1 (2.5-4.0)	22.0 (19.4-24.6)	2.7 (0.6-4.9)		
III	21.7 (20.9-22.5)	6.5 (5.5-7.6)	27.7 (25.0-30.5) ^b	5.4 (2.8-8.1)		
IV	16.4 (15.7-17.1)	10.4 (9.0-11.9)	21.5 (18.9-24.1) ^b	10.3 (6.2-14.3)		
V	21.0 (20.3-21.8)	24.5 (22.7-26.9)	14.5 (12.3-16.7) ^b	22.2 (15.4-29.0)		
Low ^d	40.9 (40.0-41.8)	2.1 (1.7-2.6)	36.3 (33.3-39.3) ^c	2.5 (0.9-4.1)		
High ^d	59.1 (58.1-60.0)	14.0 (13.1-14.9)	63.7 (60.7-66.7)	10.9 (8.5-13.3)		
Simplified						
Low			30.7 (27.8-33.5)	1.0 (0.0-2.1)	36.1 (35.0-37.3) ^e	1.1 (0.7-1.5)
High			69.3 (66.5-72.2)	10.9 (8.5-13.2)	63.9 (62.7-65.0)	8.9 (8.1-9.8)

Abbreviations: CI, confidence interval; PESI, Pulmonary Embolism Severity Index; RIETE, Registro Informatizado de la Enfermedad Tromboembólica.

^a Per risk stratum.

^b For comparison between the original and the simplified PESI derivation samples, $P < .001$.

^c For comparison between the original and the simplified PESI derivation samples, $P < .01$.

^d Original PESI class I and II categories are classified as low risk, and classes III through V are classified as high risk.

^e For comparison between the simplified PESI derivation sample and the simplified PESI validation sample, $P < .001$.

CLINICAL SCORE + ECOCARDIOGRAMMA

In pazienti con EP MASSIVA (n=32),

- ✓ Sensibilità 97%
- ✓ Valore predittivo negativo 98%



Ingresso

Post-rTPA

SEGNİ ECOCARDIOGRAFICI DI SOVRACCARICO EMODINAMICO ACUTO DEL VENTRICOLO DESTRO

- Almeno 1 dei seguenti
 - Dilatazione VDX
(RVED > 30 mm or RVED/LVED > 1)
 - Movimento paradossale del setto IV
 - Ipertensione polmonare (VD-AD > 30 mm Hg)
- In assenza di aumento dello spessore VDX (≤ 6 mm)



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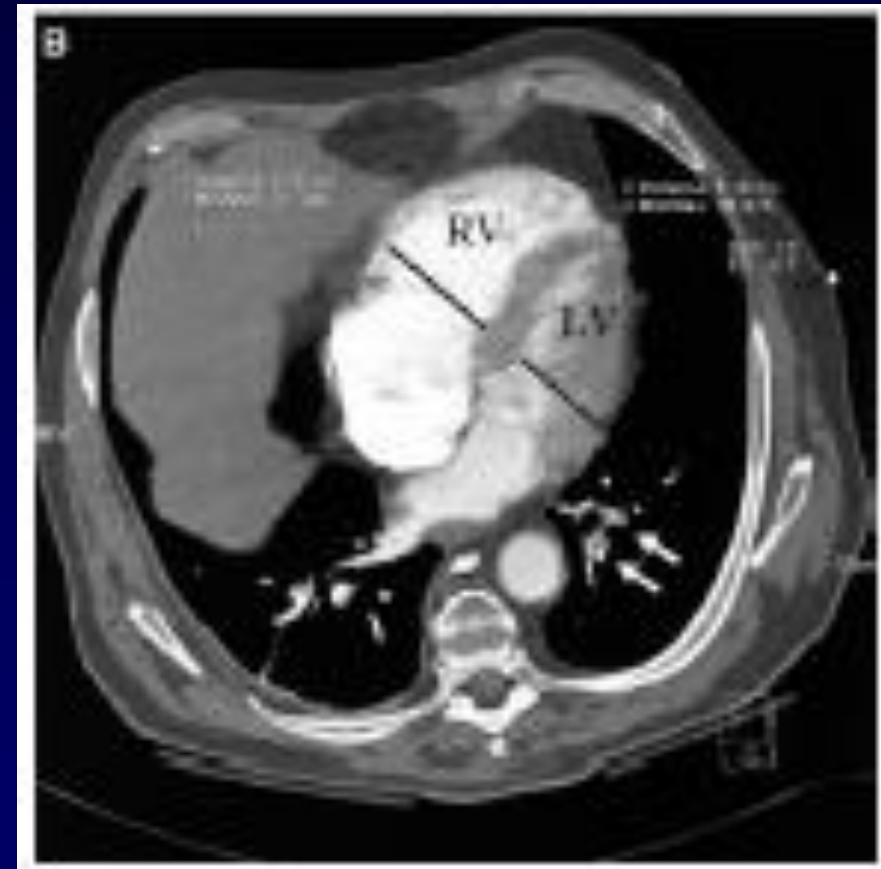
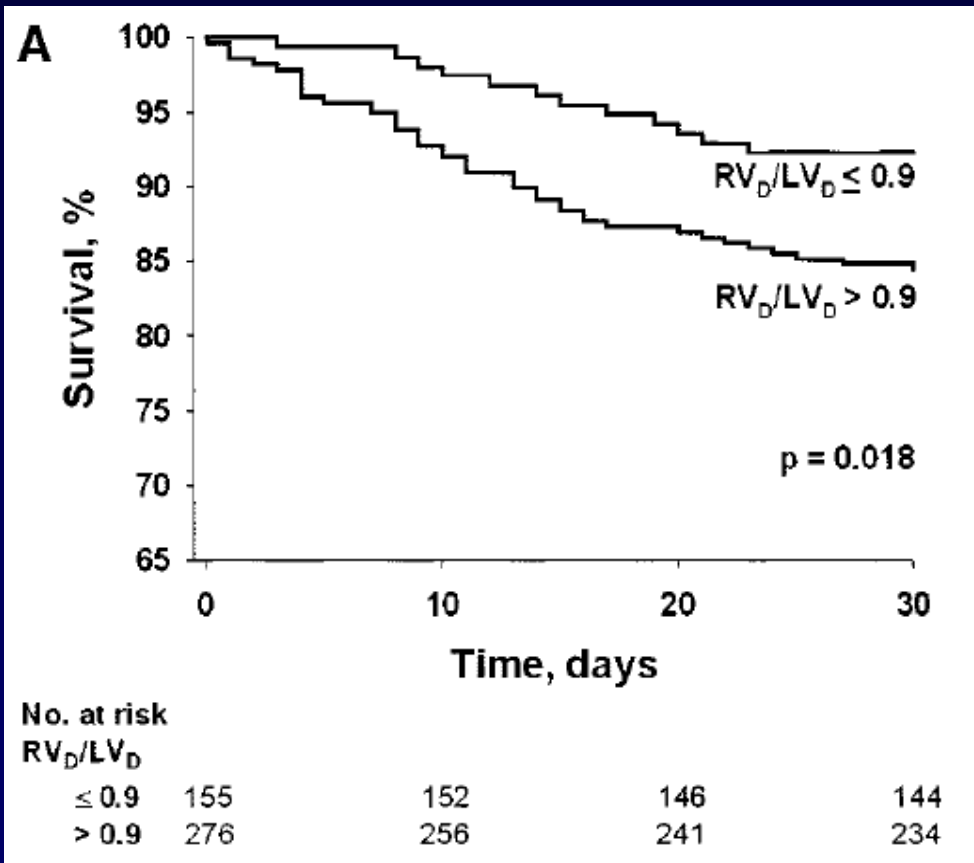
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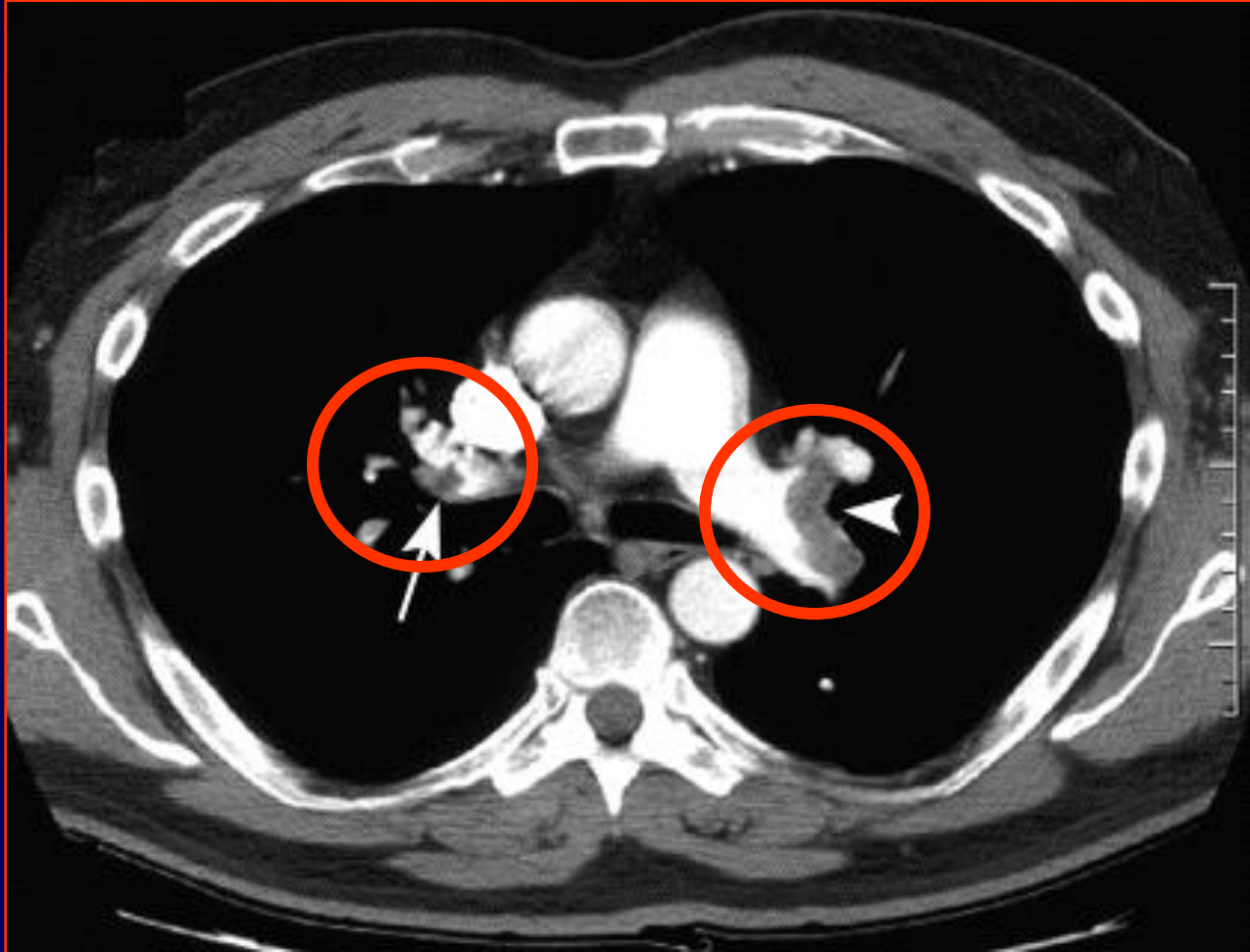


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Right ventricular enlargement on CT scan



SPIRAL CT



ACCURACY OF A PRELIMINARY DIAGNOSIS OF PULMONARY EMBOLISM BASED ON CLINICAL SCORE AND CARDIAC AND VENOUS ULTRASOUND EXAMINATION

	<i>CLINICAL SCORE, CARDIAC AND VENOUS ULTRASOUND</i>	<i>ECHOCARD.</i>
■ sensitivity	92%	51%
■ specificity	66%	87%
■ positive predictive value	75%	82%
■ negative predictive value	88%	60%
■ total accuracy	80%	67%

Grifoni S et al, Am J Cardiol 1998



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Conclusioni

- **Profilassi tromboembolica in chirurgia ortopedica :**
 - maggiore efficacia del rivaroxaban correlata ad un maggior rischio di sanguinamento
 - Non differenze significative nell' efficacia e nella sicurezza tra i nuovi anticoagulanti
- **Profilassi tromboembolica in medicina**
 - Il trattamento prolungato (28 gg) con NAO è più efficace del trattamento con Enoxaparina (6-14 gg)
 - Tuttavia,associato ad aumento di emorragie maggiori sia nel trattamento a breve che lungo periodo

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Ingresso

Post-rTPA

Ecocolordoppler vene arti inferiori



- Presenza di TVP flottante minacciosa
- Necessari posizionamento di filtro cavale ed eventuale trombolisi

Esami utili nell'indirizzare il sospetto diagnostico

Ecocolordoppler venoso in DEA

- Sensibilità: 96,3%
- Specificità: 100%
- Valore predittivo negativo: 98,6%

NB !!!!

Positività del test nei pazienti con EP <50%

Prognostication in EP

- To rule out adverse prognosis?
 - Biomarkers (natriuretic peptides, Troponin)
- To rule in aggressive treatment?
 - Echocardiography/TC plus
 - Biomarkers
 - ECG
 - Lactate

RVD on admission and outcome in patients with Pulmonary Embolism

- RVD persistence appears to be common
- Echocardiography should be repeated before discharge
- Selected patients with RVD persistence may require evaluation for surgical thrombectomy
- Can we prevent RVD persistence with more aggressive initial treatment ?

Terapia dei pazienti con EP

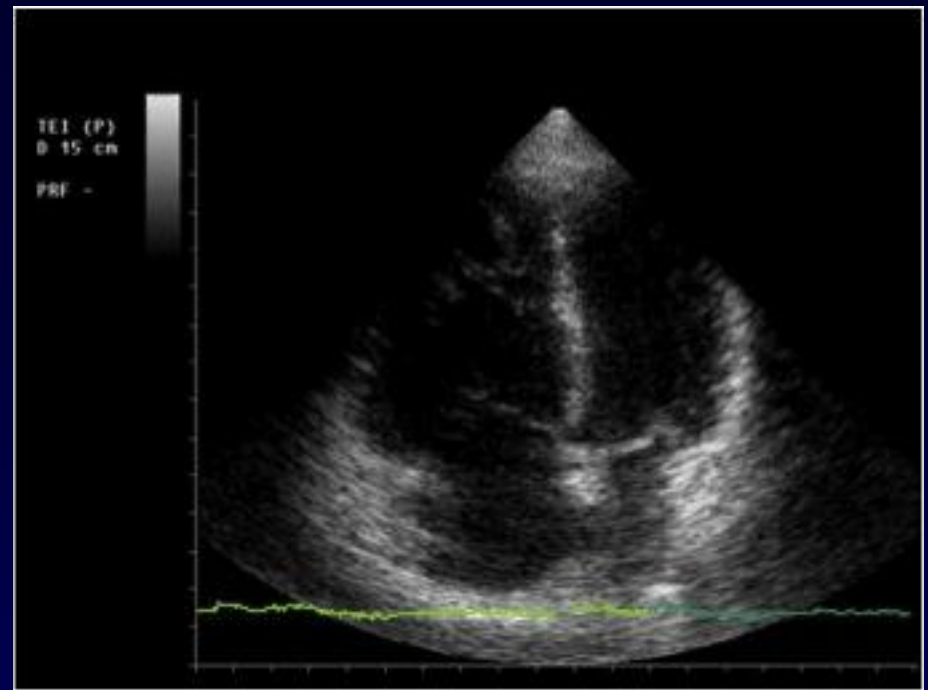
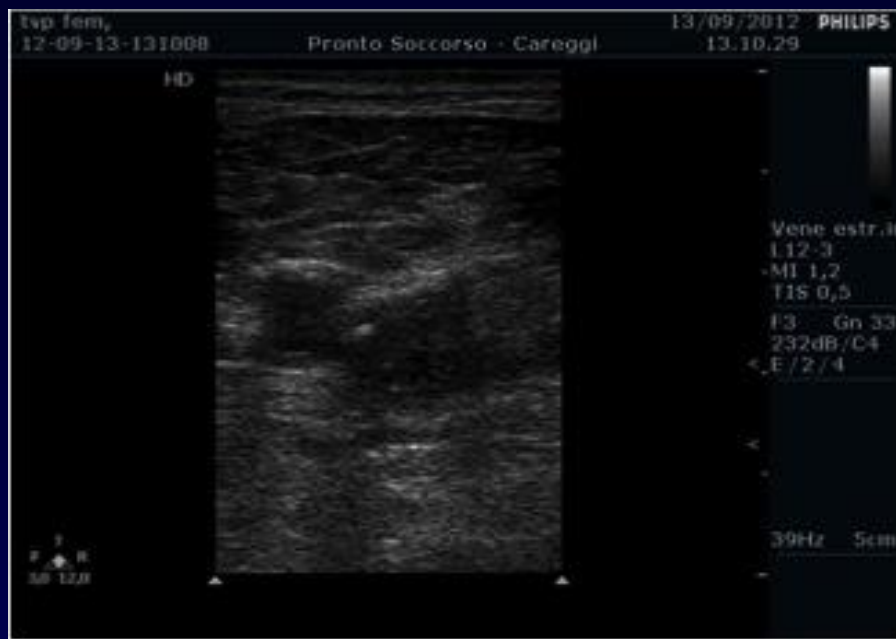
INDICAZIONI TERAPEUTICHE NOTE DA TEMPO

- L'Eparina è meglio del placebo
- I trombolitici riducono la mortalità dei pazienti in shock

PROBLEMI ANCORA APERTI

- La strategia di gestione ottimale
- Ampliamento dell'utilizzo dei trombolitici





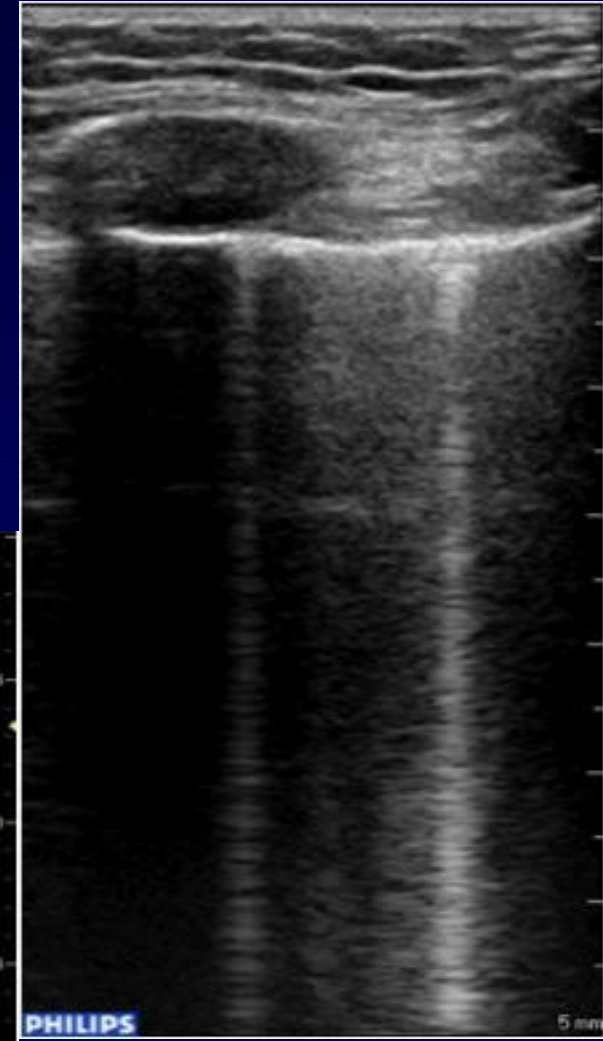
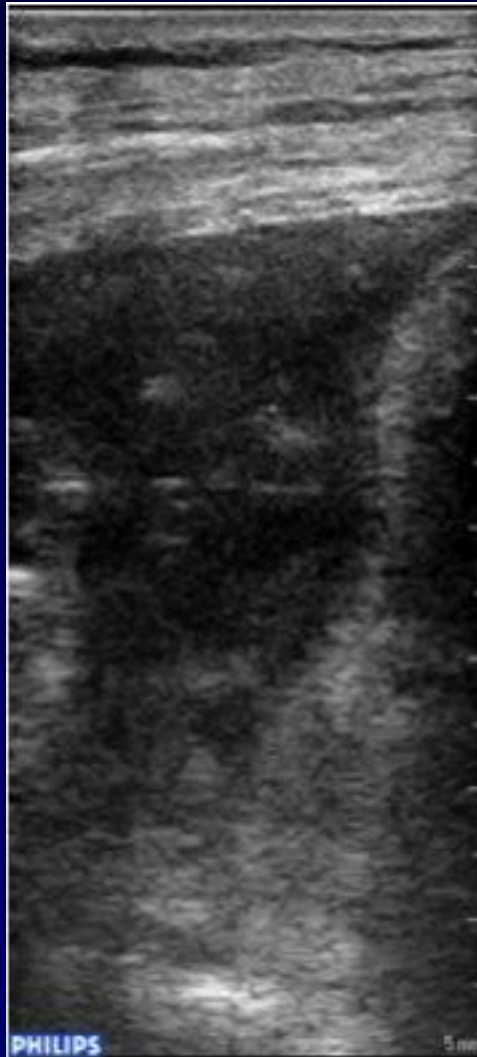
MULTIORGAN US POSITIVE FOR PE
IF ONE OR MORE OF THE
FOLLOWING WERE DETECTED:

- Deep vein thrombosis
- Right ventricular dilatation or thrombi in right cavities
- One or more subpleural infarct



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Alternative US diagnosis in patients with negative multiorgan US



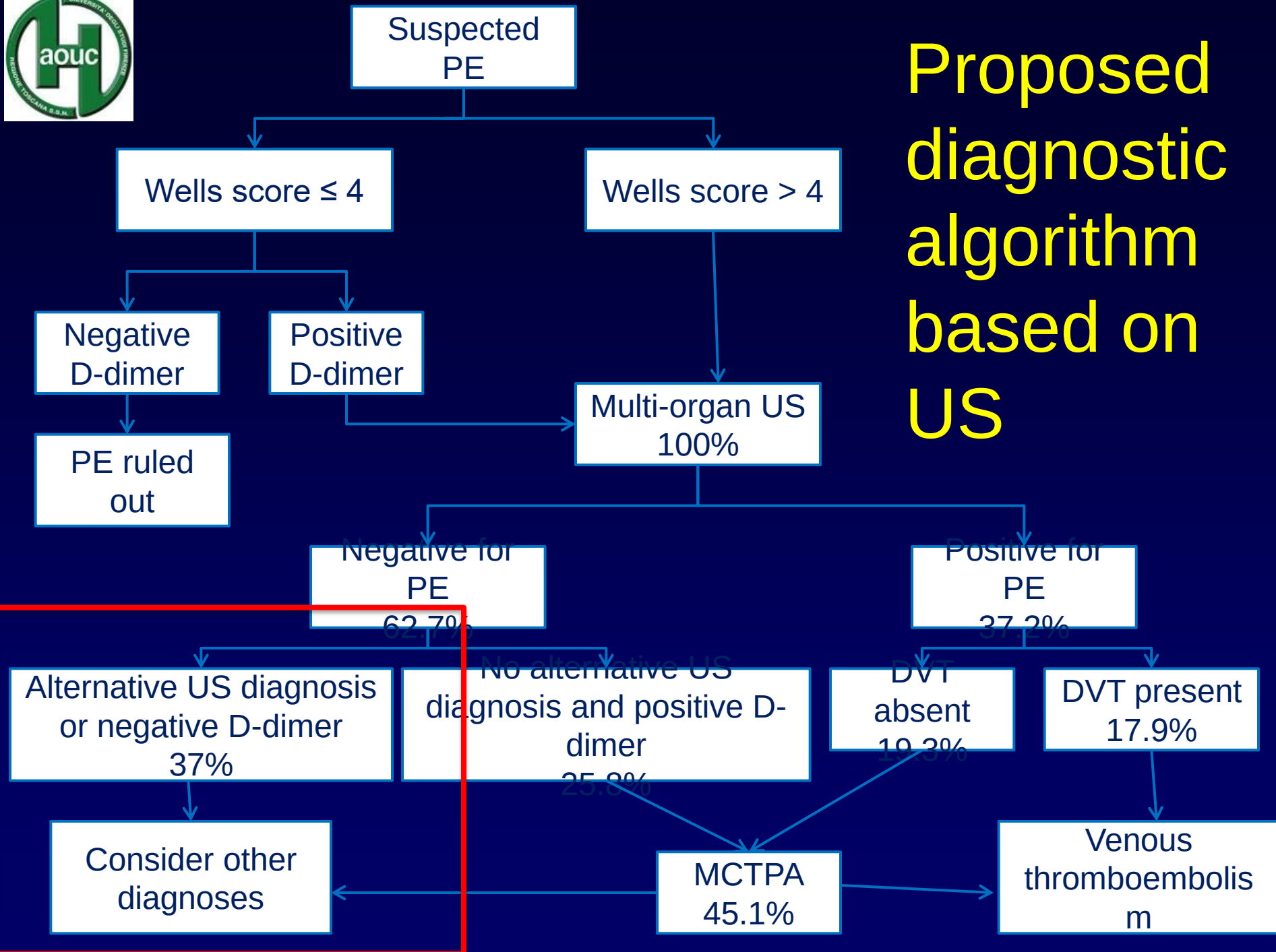
Accuracy of point-of-care multiorgan ultrasonography for the diagnosis of pulmonary embolism



	Sens % (95% CI)	Spec % (95% CI)	PPV % (95% CI)	NPV % (95% CI)
Multiorgan US	90% (82.8-94.9)	86.2% (81.3-90.3)	74.4% (66.1-81.6)	95.1% (91.4-97.5)
Negative multiorgan US plus alternative	100% (96.7-100)	42.9% (36.7-49.3)	43.8% (37.6-50.2)	100% (96.5-100)



Proposed diagnostic algorithm based on US



Ultrasonographic Wells Score

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Clinical feature	Points	Patient score
Leg veins CUS positive for DVT (swelling and pain with palpation of the deep veins)	3	
Subpleural infarct or the absence of an alternative diagnosis *	3	
Heart rate > 100 beats per minute	1.5	
Immobilisation for more than 3 days or surgery in the previous 4 weeks	1.5	
Previous DVT/PE	1.5	
Haemoptysis	1	
Malignancy (on treatment, treated in the last 6 months, or palliative)	1	
Clinical probability simplified scores		
PE <i>likely</i>	More than 4 points	
PE <i>unlikely</i>	4 points or less	



Efficacy and Safety of Low Dose Recombinant Tissue-Type Plasminogen Activator for the Treatment of Acute Pulmonary Thromboembolism

A Randomized, Multicenter, Controlled Trial

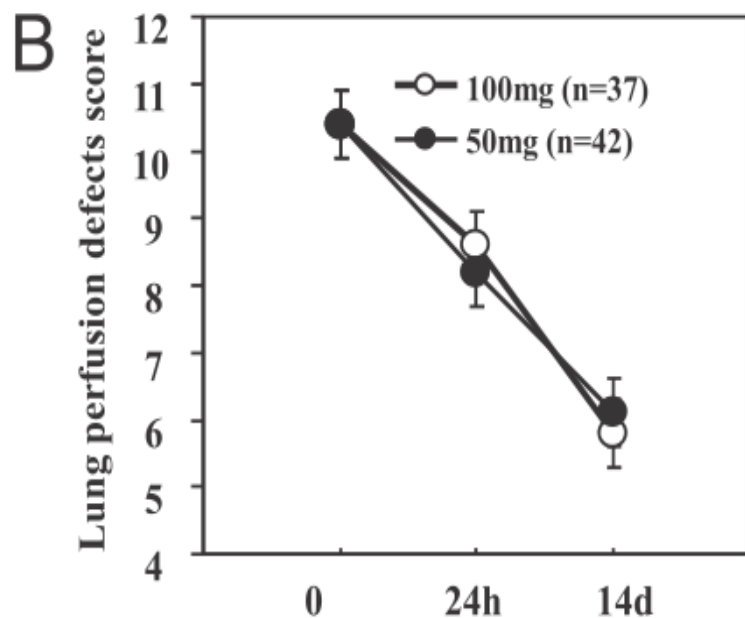


Table 3—Comparison of Adverse Events During the First 14 d After Treatment, Comparing Two Treatments for PTE

Adverse Events	rt-PA 100 mg (n = 48)	rt-PA 50 mg (n = 55)	P
Death	3 (6)	1 (2)	.472
Due to PTE	2 (4)	1 (2)	...
Due to bleeding	1 (2)	0 (0)	...
Bleeding complications	17 (32)	11 (17)	.054
Major bleeding	5 (10)	2 (3)	.288
Fatal bleeding	1 (2)	0 (0)	...
Others	4 (8)	2 (3)	...
Minor bleeding	12 (22)	9 (14)	.214
Recurrent PTE	2 (4)	1 (2)	.858
Fatal	0 (0)	0 (0)	...
Nonfatal	2 (4)	1 (2)	...

Data presented are number (%) of patients. Others = other major bleeding without death. See Table 1 for expansion of abbreviations.

Moderate Pulmonary Embolism Treated With Thrombolysis (from the “MOPETT” Trial)

Mohsen Sharifi, MD^{a,b,*}, Curt Bay, PhD^b, Laura Skrocki, DO^a, Farnoosh Rahimi, MD^a,
and Mahshid Mehdipour, DMD^{a,b}, “MOPETT” Investigators

Table 2

Primary end points at 28 ± 5 mo of follow-up

Variable

Table 3

Secondary end points

Pulmonary h

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recurrent p
embolism

* Pulmona

Variable

TG

(n = 61; 100%)

CG

(n = 60; 100%)

p

Value

Recurrent pulmonary
embolism

0

3 (5%)

0.08

Total mortality

1 (1.6%)

3 (5%)

0.30

Total mortality plus recurrent
pulmonary embolism

1 (1.6%)

6 (10%)

0.049

Hospital stay (days)

2.2 ± 0.5

4.9 ± 0.8

<0.001

Bleeding

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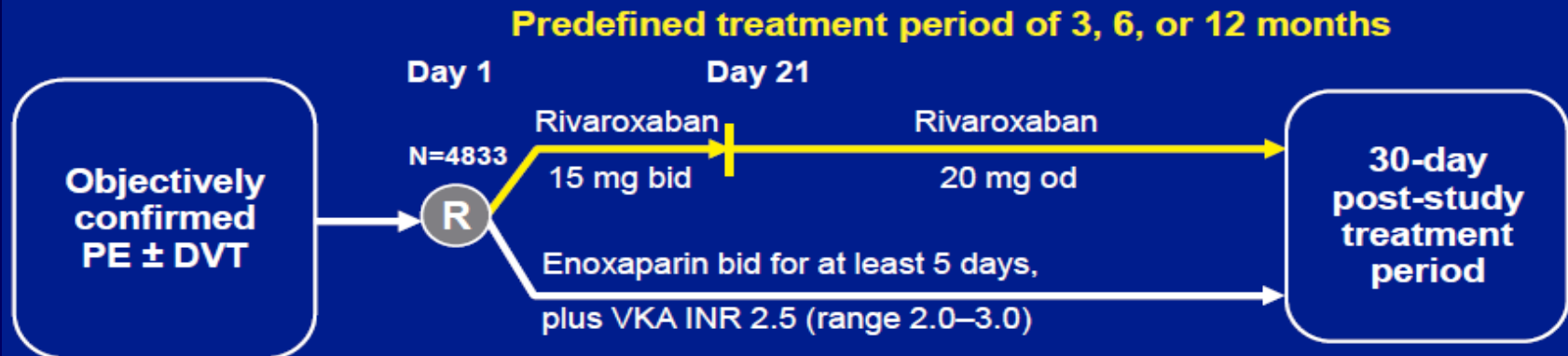
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EINSTEIN-PE

EINSTEIN PE: study design

Randomized, open-label, event-driven, non-inferiority study

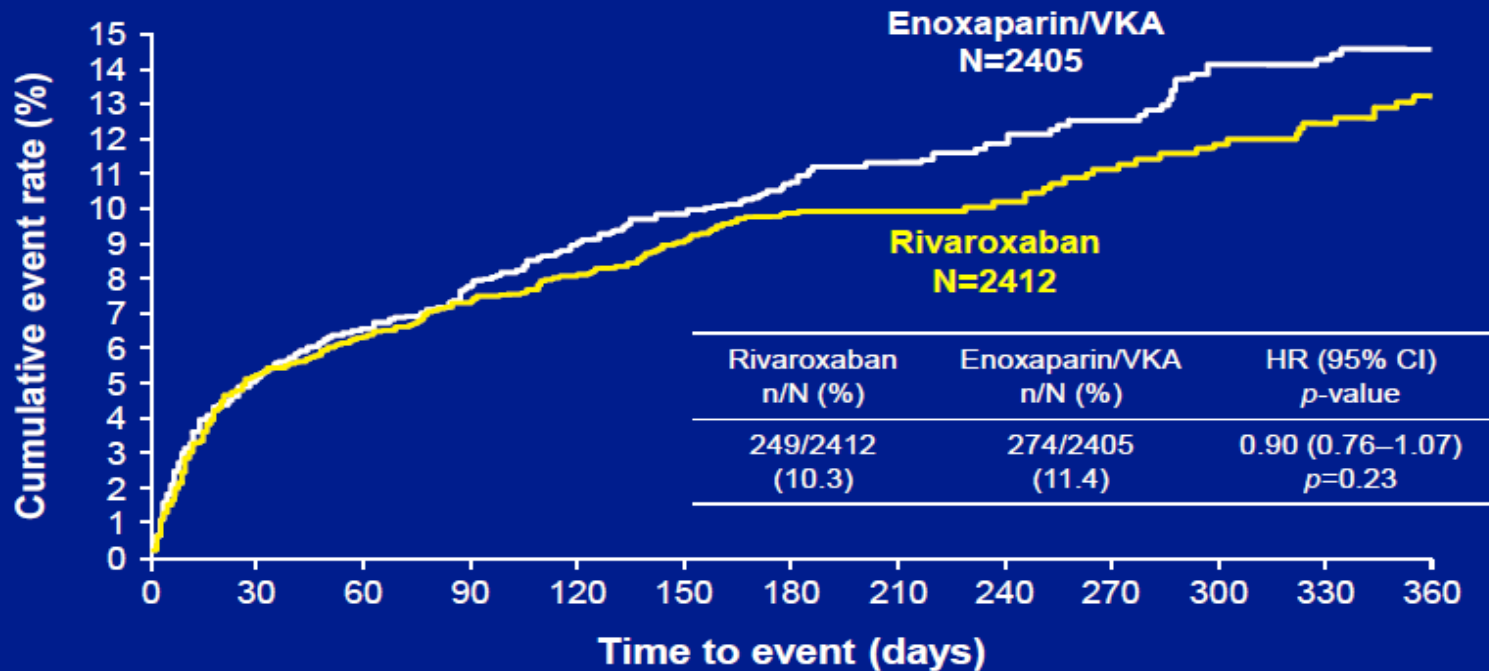
- ◆ Up to 48 hours' heparins/fondaparinux treatment permitted before study entry
- ◆ 88 primary efficacy outcomes needed
- ◆ Non-inferiority margin: 2.0



- ◆ **Primary efficacy outcome:** first recurrent VTE
- ◆ **Principal safety outcome:** first major or non-major clinically relevant bleeding

EINSTEIN-PE

EINSTEIN PE: principal safety outcome – major or non-major clinically relevant bleeding



Number of patients at risk

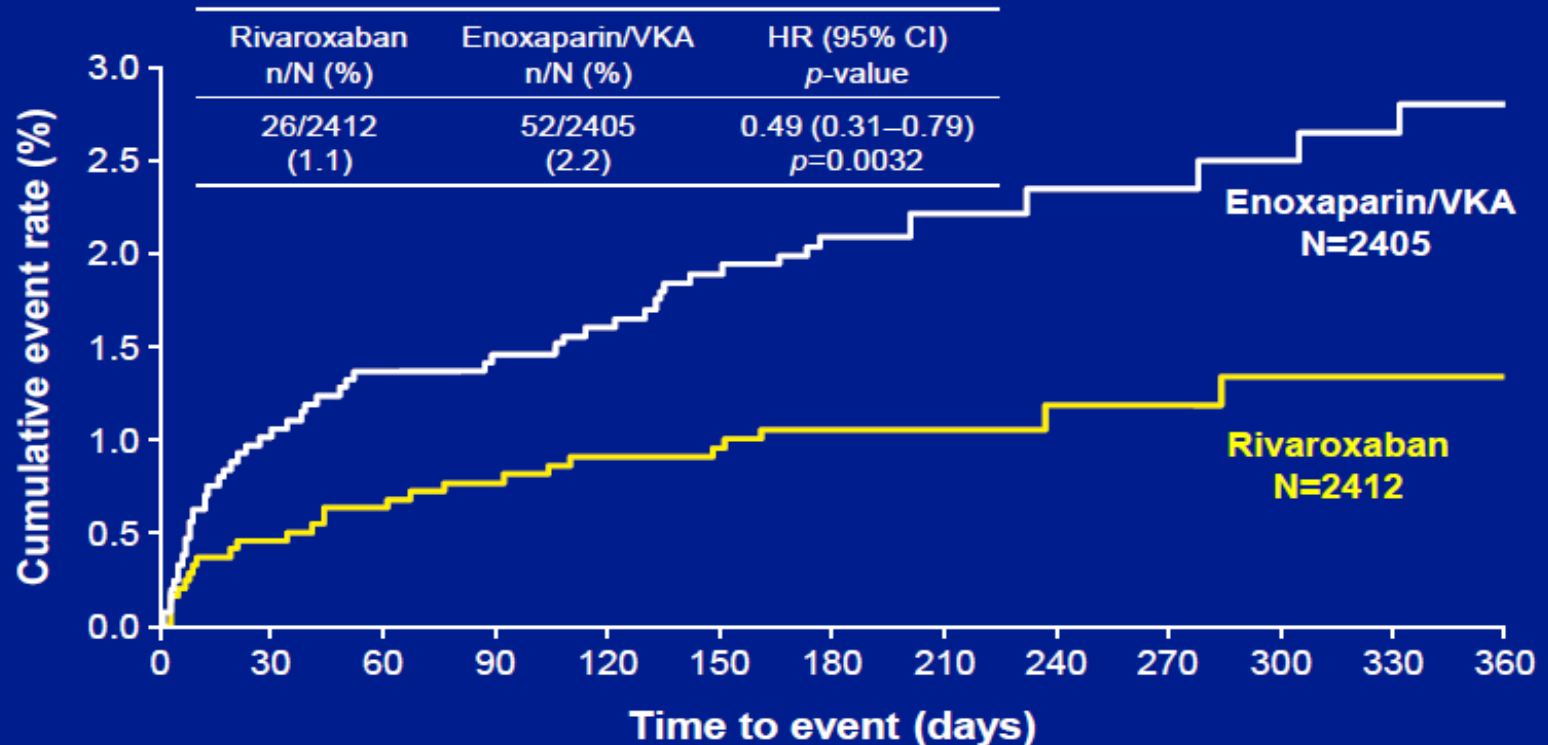
Rivaroxaban	2412	2183	2133	2024	1953	1913	1211	696	671	632	600	588	313
Enoxaparin/VKA	2405	2184	2115	1990	1923	1887	1092	687	660	620	589	574	251

Safety population



EINSTEIN-PE

EINSTEIN PE: major bleeding

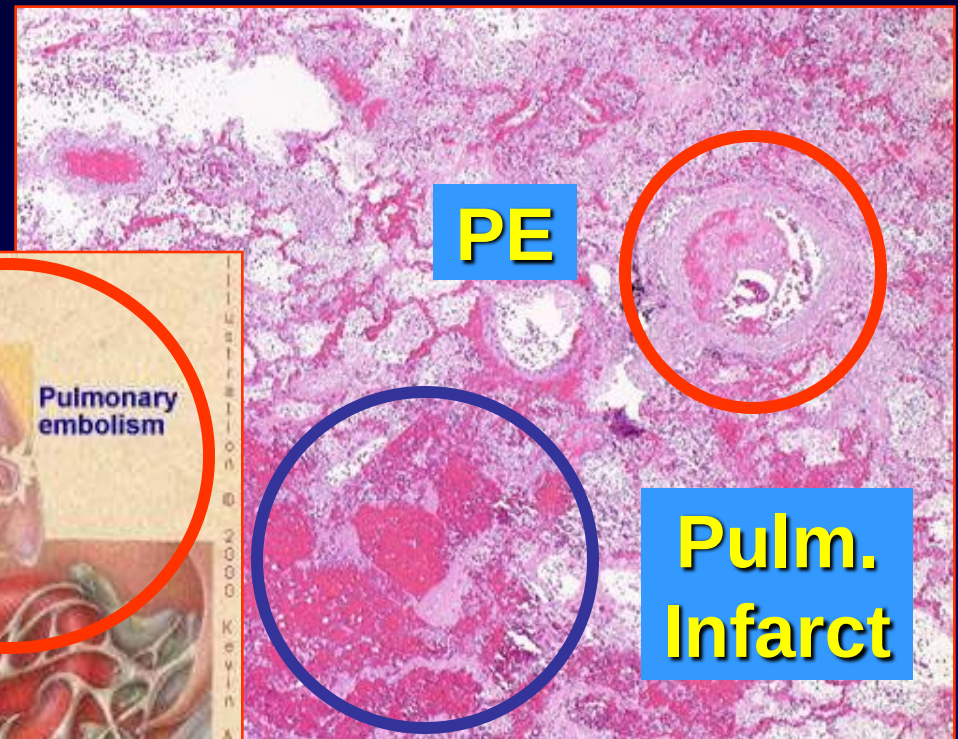
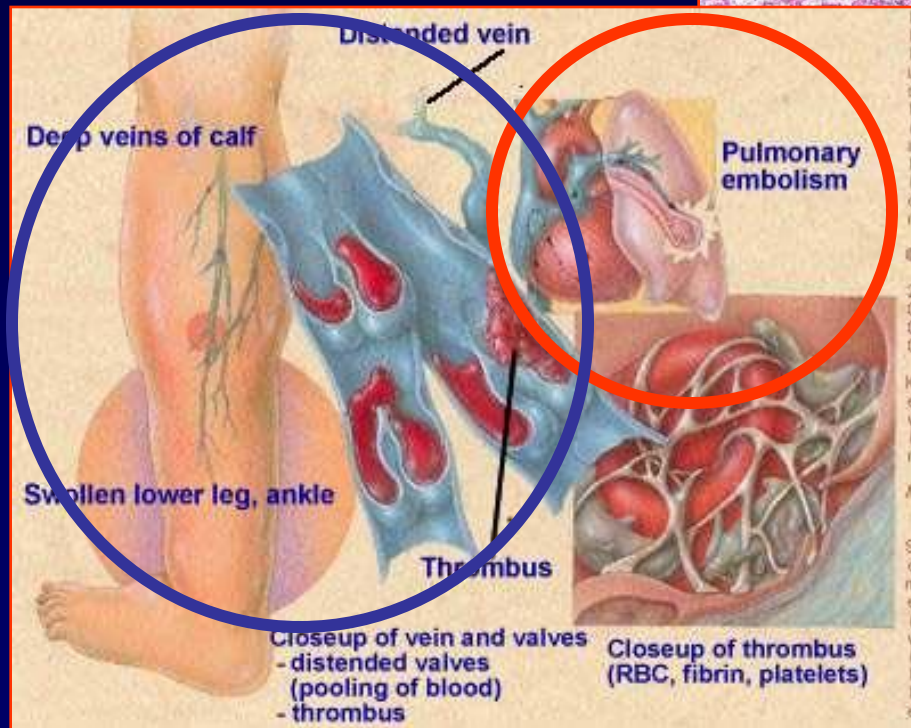


Number of patients at risk

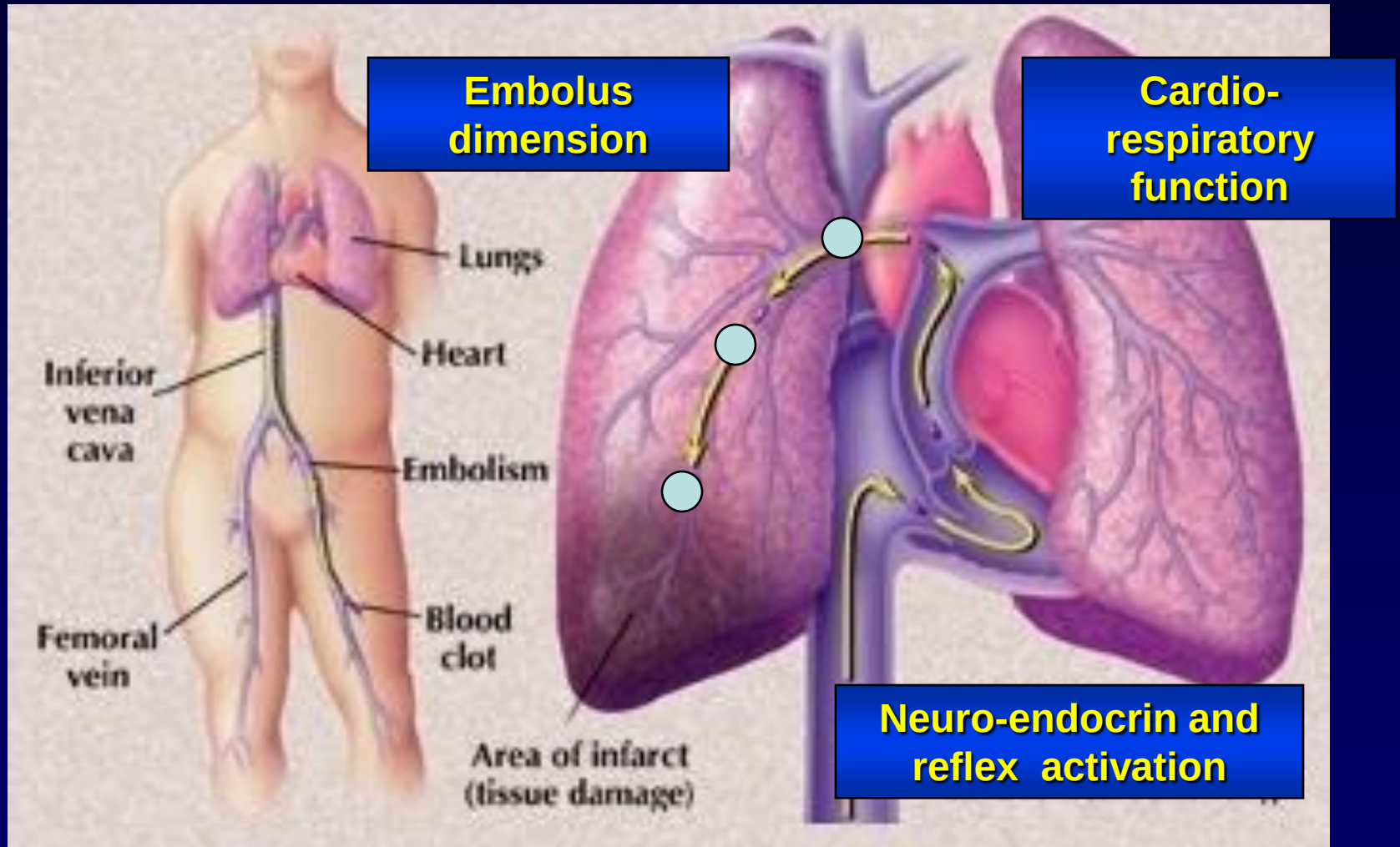
Rivaroxaban	2412	2281	2248	2156	2091	2063	1317	761	735	700	669	659	350
Enoxaparin/VKA	2405	2270	2224	2116	2063	2036	1176	746	719	680	658	642	278

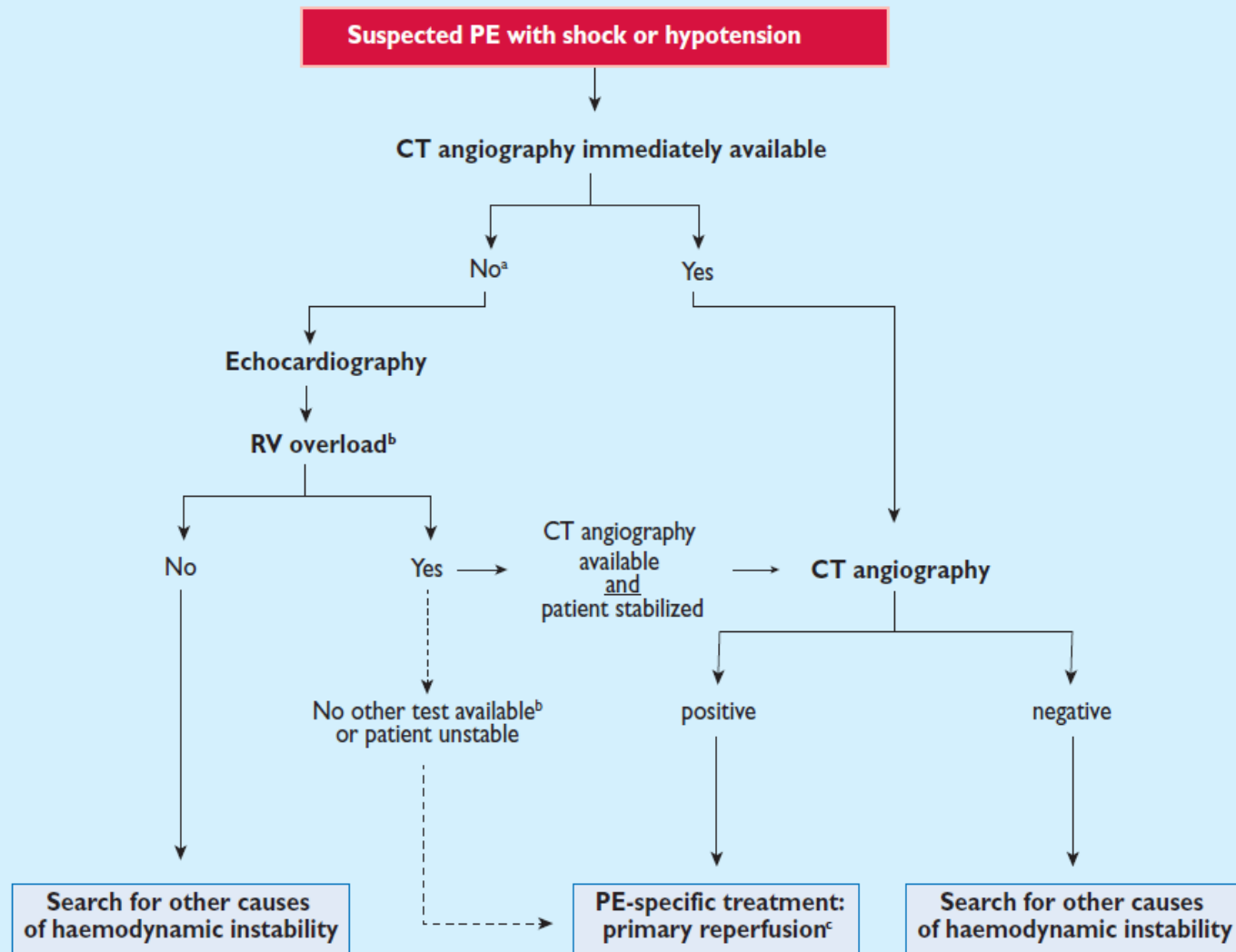
Safety population

Acute pulmonary thromboembolic disease can present with a wide spectrum of clinical signs and symptoms



Hemodynamics response to PE



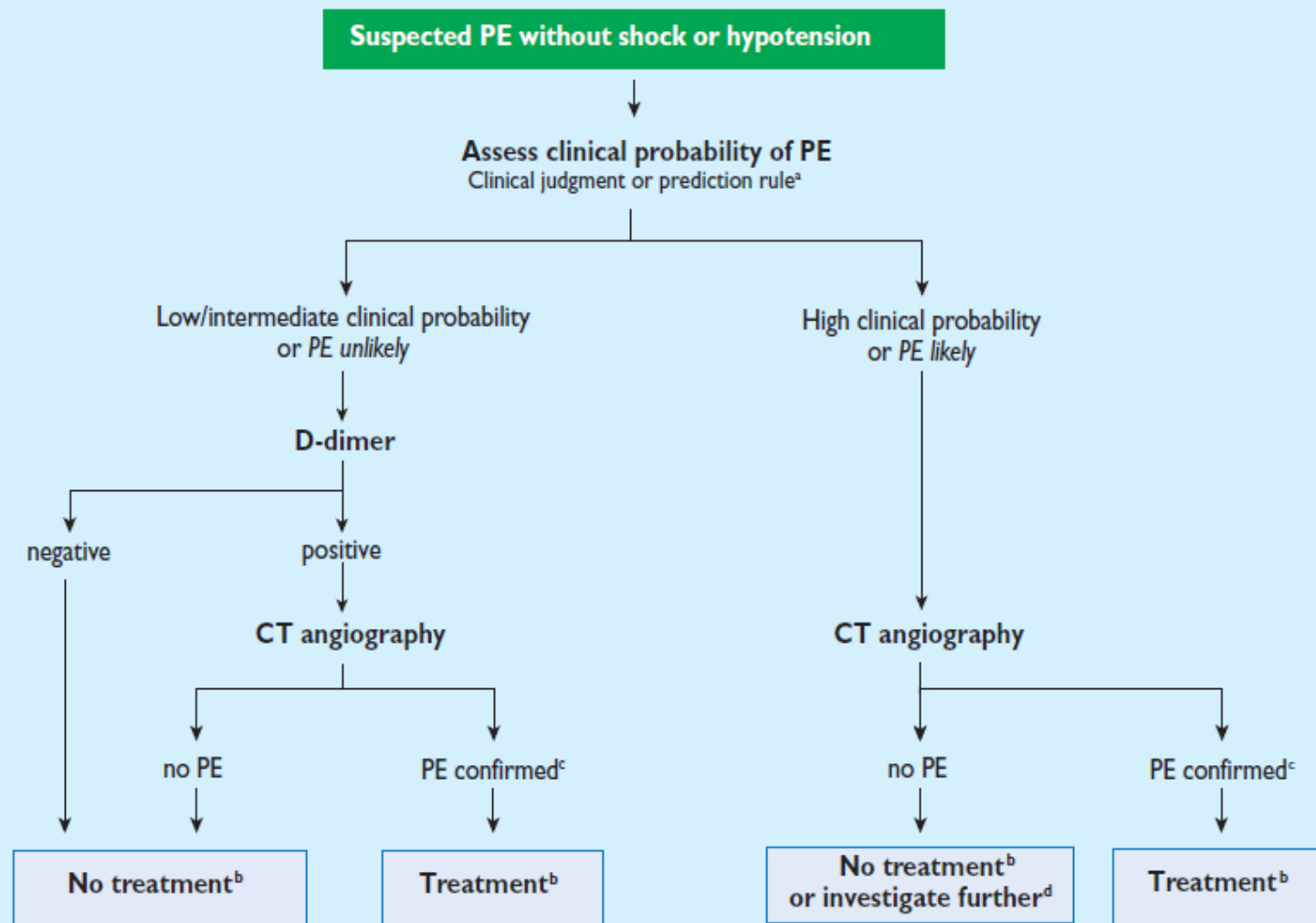


CT = computed tomographic; PE = pulmonary embolism; RV = right ventricular.

^aIncludes the cases in which the patient's condition is so critical that it only allows bedside diagnostic tests.

^bApart from the diagnosis of RV dysfunction, bedside transthoracic echocardiography may, in some cases, directly confirm PE by visualizing mobile thrombi in the right heart chambers. Ancillary bedside imaging tests include transoesophageal echocardiography, which may detect emboli in the pulmonary artery and its main branches, and bilateral compression venous ultrasonography, which may confirm deep vein thrombosis and thus be of help in emergency management decisions.

^cThrombolysis; alternatively, surgical embolectomy or catheter-directed treatment (Section 5).



PE without shock/Hypotension

Early mortality risk		Risk parameters and scores			
		Shock or hypotension	PESI class III-V or sPESI ≥ 1 ^a	Signs of RV dysfunction on an imaging test ^b	Cardiac laboratory biomarkers ^c
High		+	(+) ^d	+	(+) ^d
Intermediate	Intermediate-high	-	+	Both positive	
	Intermediate-low	-	+	Either one (or none) positive ^e	
Low		-	-	Assessment optional; if assessed, both negative ^e	

Embolia polmonare. DEFINIZIONE

Ostruzione acuta completa o parziale di uno o più rami dell'arteria polmonare, nella maggior parte dei casi provocata da materiale embolico di origine extrapolmonare, più raramente da fenomeni di trombosi locale

Trombo-embolica

95% dei casi

Non trombotica

5% dei casi

- EP gassosa
- EP grassosa
- EP solida da corpi estranei
- EP di liquido amniotico



Presentazione clinica

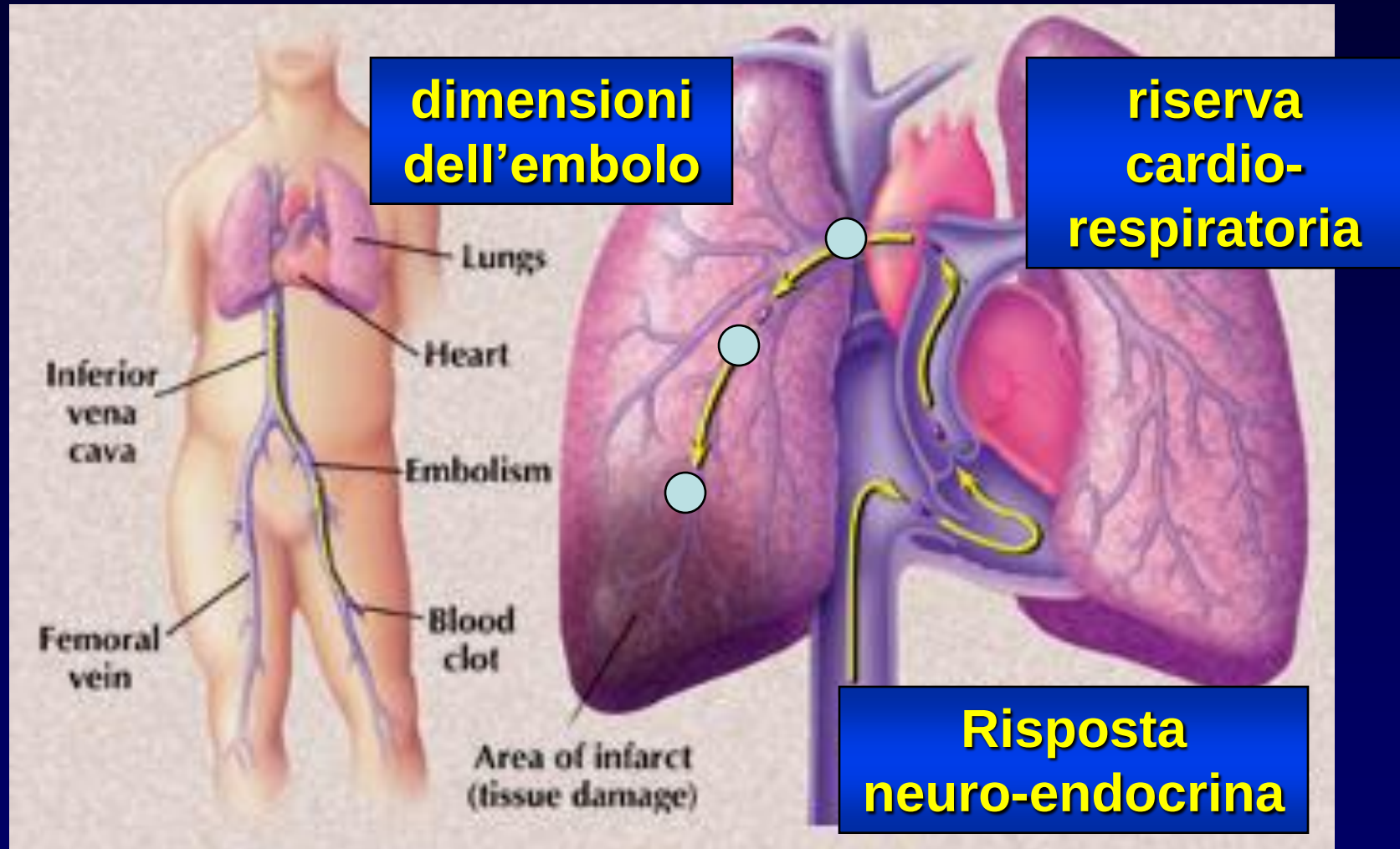
Con compromissione emodinamica

- Prevalenza 15%
- Mortalità per EP in acuto 32%

Senza compromissione emodinamica

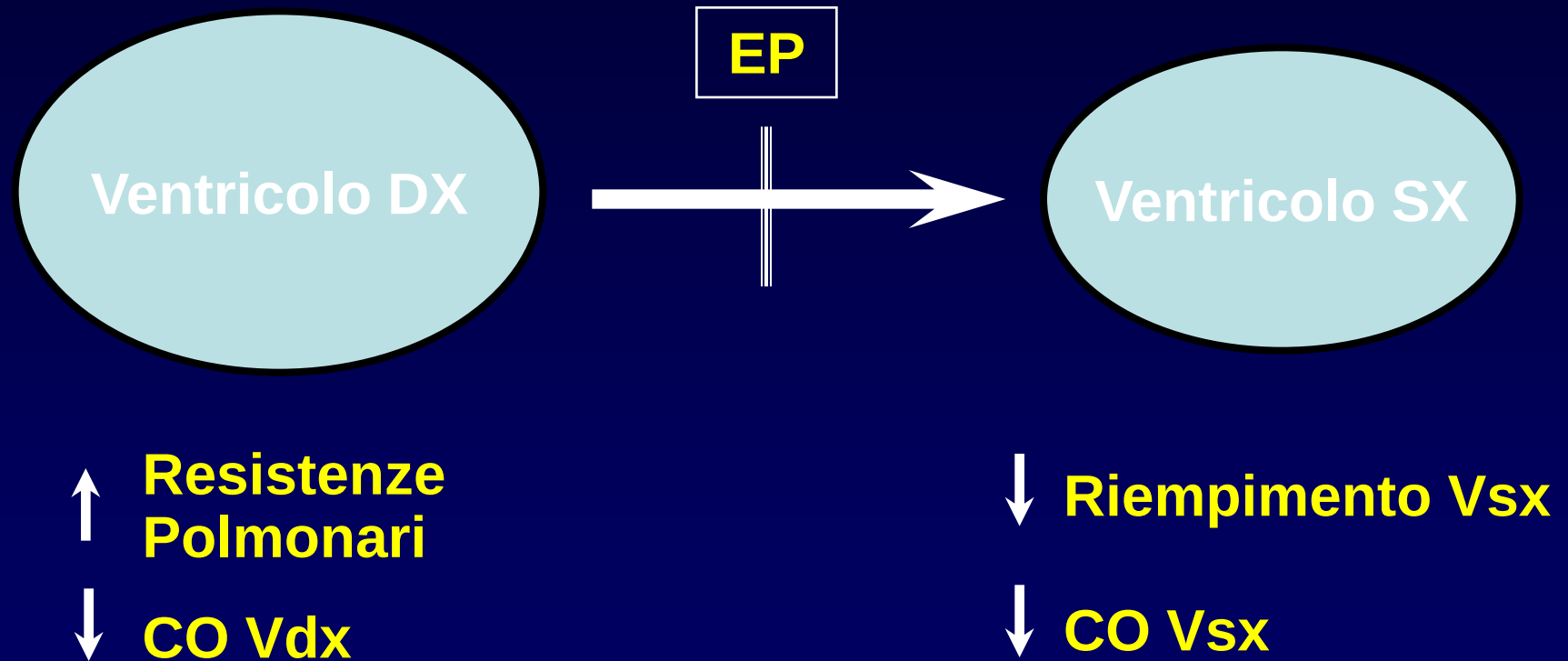
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DETERMINANTI DELLA ESPRESSIONE CLINICA DELLA EP



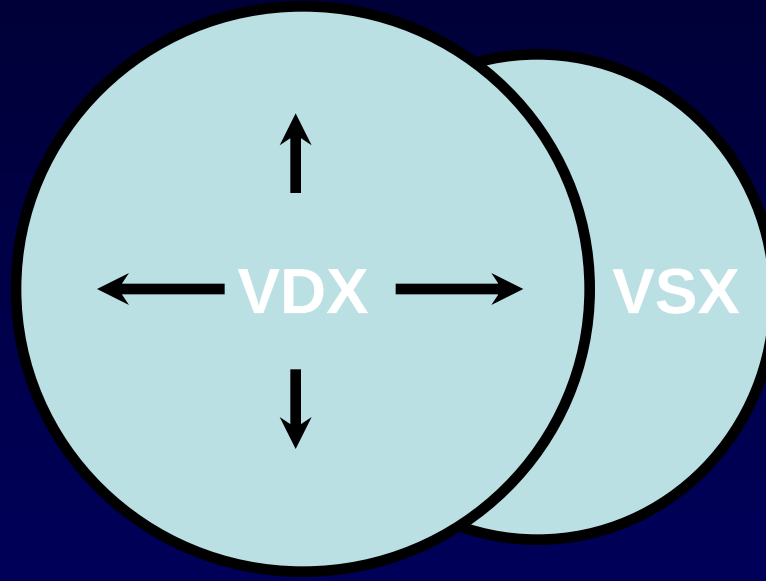
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alterazioni emodinamiche



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↑ **Pressione
telediastolica Vdx
(Setto paradosso)**

↓ **Compliance Vsx**
↓ **CO Vsx**

FISIOPATOLOGIA DELL' EP

alterazioni emodinamiche

Perché il Vdx si scompensa (RVD)?

- ✓ Incapacità del Vdx di far fronte ad una mPAP > 40 mmHg } ↑ BNP
- ✓ Ischemia-necrosi Vdx
 - ↑ del consumo miocardico di O₂
 - ↓ della press. di perf. coronarica} ↑ cTn

Embolia polmonare

Procedimento diagnostico

Quali pazienti sono a rischio di EP?

- Immobilizzazione (degenza, ictus, viaggi)
- Recente chirurgia/Traumi (arti inferiori, pelvici)
- Precedenti TVP e/o Embolia polmonare
- Cancro
- Obesità
- Ustioni
- CVC
- Contraccettivi orali, Gravidanza, postpartum
- Coagulopatie: APC-R, mutazione gene PT, Proteina C, proteina S, AT III.

Segni e Sintomi

Dispnea (improvvisa)	82%
Tachipnea (>20/min)	60%
Dolore toracico	49%
FC >100/min	40%
Tosse	20%
Sincope	14%
Emottisi	7%

Esami utili nell'indirizzare il sospetto diagnostico

ECG: NORMALE < 20% dei casi

Nelle massive:

- S1Q3T3
 - Inversione delle onde T V1-V3
 - RBBB
- } 80%

Fibrillazione/flutter atriale 0-5%

Esami utili nell'indirizzare il sospetto diagnostico

RX torace: UTILE per escludere altre diagnosi
Normale nel 20-30 % dei casi
Westermarck
Hampton

EGA: IPOSSIEMIA – ipocapnia
normale $P(A-a)O_2$ nel 14%

DDimero: potere predittivo negativo 99,6%
(ELISA) in DEA. (*Dunn KL, JACC 2002*)

ECHOCARDIOGRAPHIC SIGNS OF ACUTE RIGHT VENTRICULAR STRAIN

Right ventricular hypokinesis
and dilatation

Systolic flattening of
interventricular septum

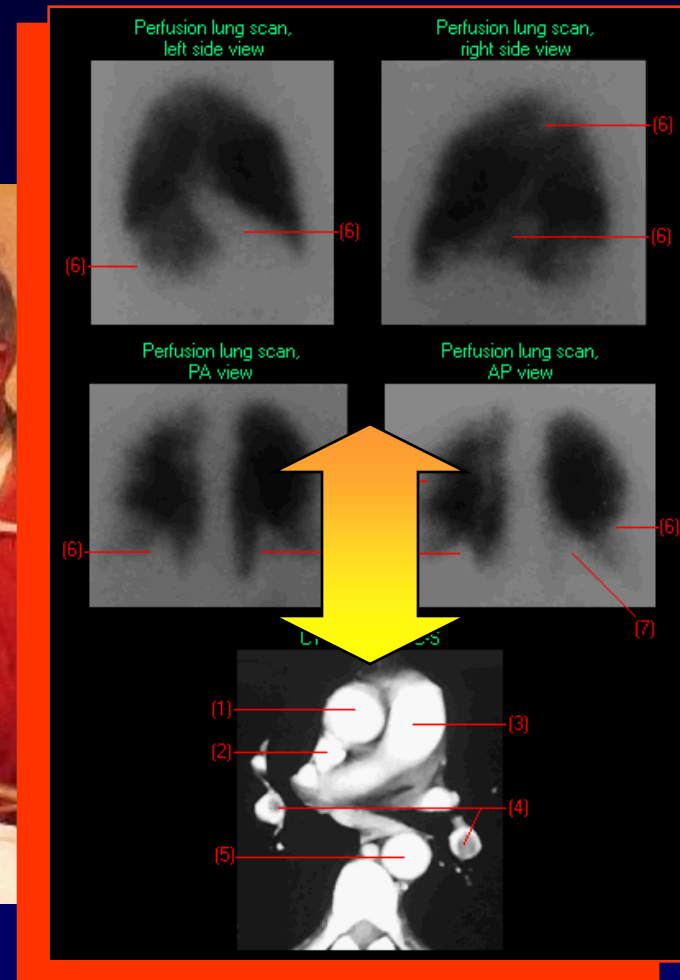
Doppler evidence of pulmonary
hypertension

Distention of inf.Vena Cava

In absence of right ventricular
wall hypertrophy



SCINTIGRAFIA contro TC SPIRALE nel DEA



Computed tomographic pulmonary angiography vs ventilation-perfusion lung scanning in patients with suspected pulmonary embolism: a randomized controlled trial.

- Randomized, single blinded, non inferiority trial
- 1417 pz with suspected pulmonary embolism
- main outcome: PE or TVP in patient with normal imaging test
- CTPA is not inferior to V(dot)Q to ruling out EP
- More pz were diagnosed with PE using CTPA

JAMA 2007

MODERN INDICATIONS FOR LUNG SCAN

NORMOTENSIVE PATIENTS WITH
SUSPICION OF PE DESPITE :

- **NON-DIAGNOSTIC CT SCAN**
- **NEGATIVE VENOUS 2D DOPPLER SCAN**

Grifoni S. et al. 2002



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LUNG SCAN: LIMITATIONS

- Nuclear Medicine units not available in most hospitals.
- Lung scans not usually available 24h/24.
- Long time gap from suspicion to diagnosis (increased risk in patients with hemodynamic instability)



Indici prognostici clinici

- Età
- Comorbidità
 - Neoplasie
 - Insufficienza cardiaca
 - BPCO
- Parametri clinici
 - FC > 110/min
 - Pressione sistolica <100 mmHg
 - Sincope
 - Frequenza respiratoria > 30/min
 - Ipotermia
 - Alterazione del sensorio
 - Sat O₂ <90%

Modificata da Aujeski, Eur Heart J 2006

Presentazione clinica

Con compromissione emodinamica

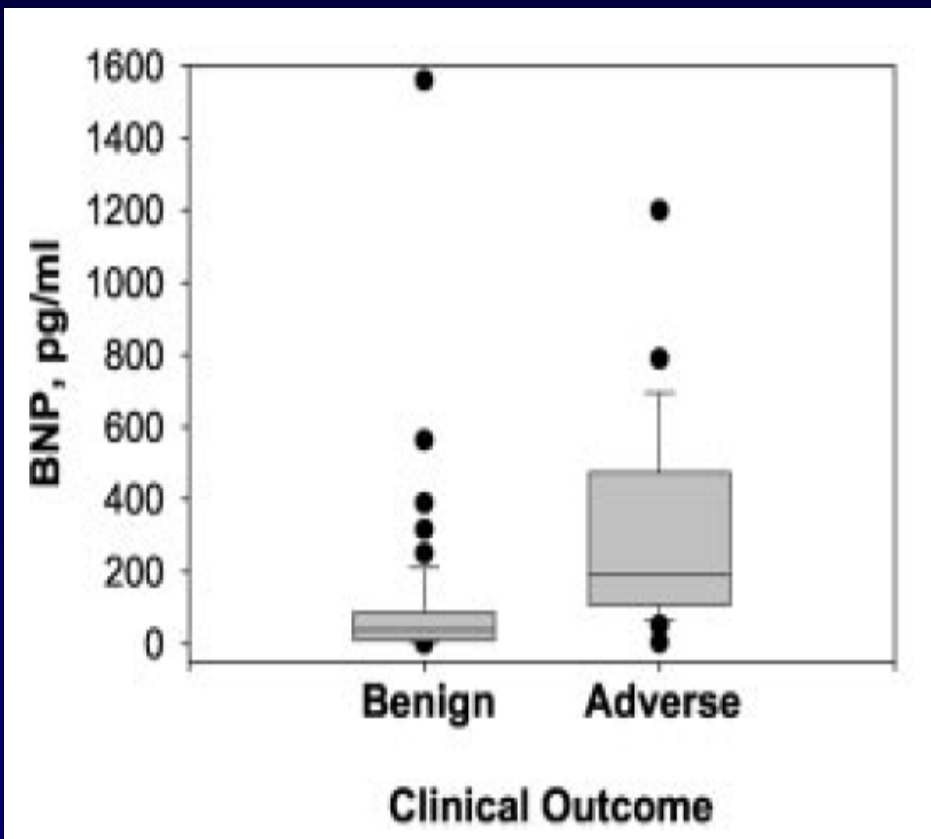
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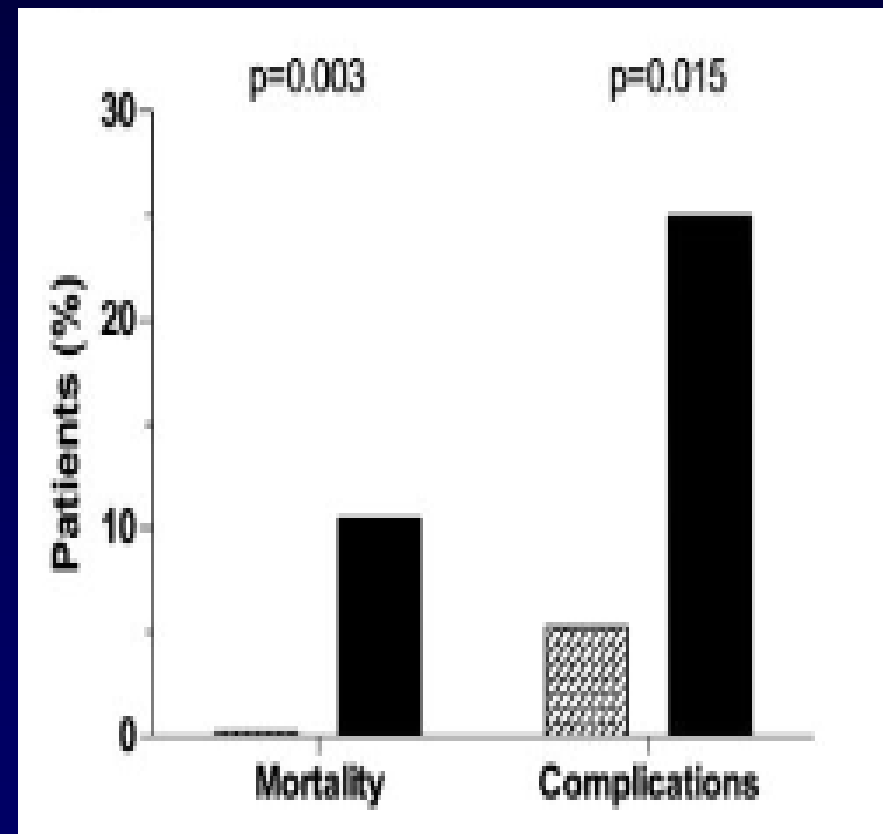
Brain natriuretic peptides

BNP >50 pg/ml sens 95%



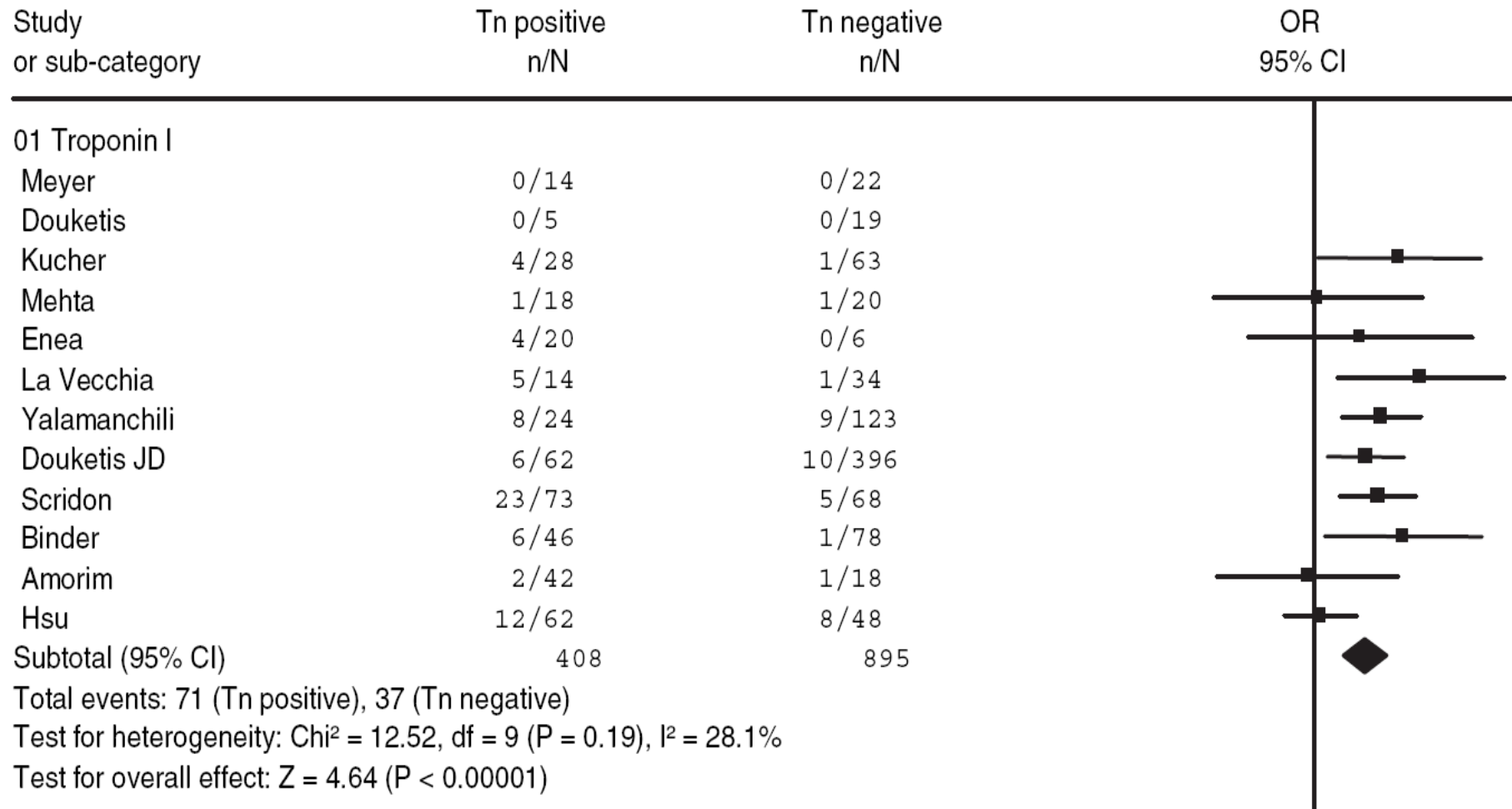
Kucher et al Circulation 2003

NTproBNP >1000 sens 95%



Binder L et al Circulation 2005

Troponin I and in hospital death



Positive and negative predictive values of Troponins and natriuretic peptides

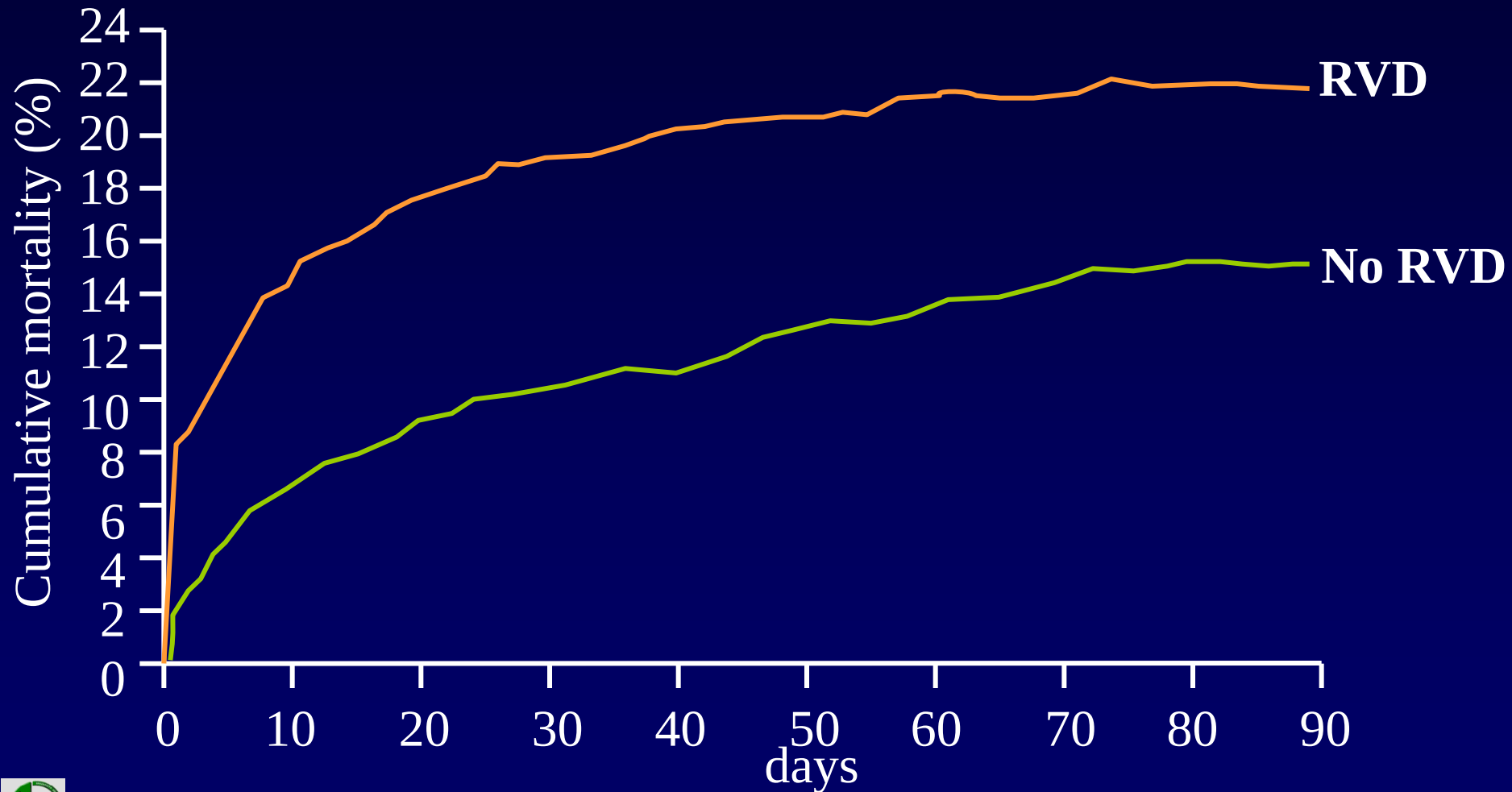
Accuracy of Cardiac Biomarkers for the Prediction of In-Hospital Death in Pulmonary Embolism

Reference	n	Biomarker	Cut-Off Level	Test +, %	NPV, %	PPV, %
Konstantinides et al ¹¹	106	cTnI	0.07 ng/mL	41	98	14
Konstantinides et al ¹¹	106	cTnT	0.04 ng/mL	37	97	12
Giannitsis et al ¹²	56	cTnT	0.10 ng/mL	32	97	44
Janata et al ²⁴	106	cTnT	0.09 ng/mL	11	99	34
Pruszczyk et al ¹³	64	cTnT	0.01 ng/mL	50	100	25
ten Wolde et al ²⁵	110	BNP	21.7 pmol/L	33	99	17
Kucher et al ¹⁸	73	NT-proBNP	500 pg/mL	58	100	12
Kucher et al ¹⁷	73	BNP	50 pg/mL	58	100	12
Pruszczyk et al ²⁶	79	NT-proBNP	153 to 334* pg/mL	66	100	23

NPV indicates negative predictive value; PPV, positive predictive value.

*Age and gender adjusted cut-off levels according to the manufacturer.

Baseline RV hypokinesia is a predictor of mortality in unselected patients with PE

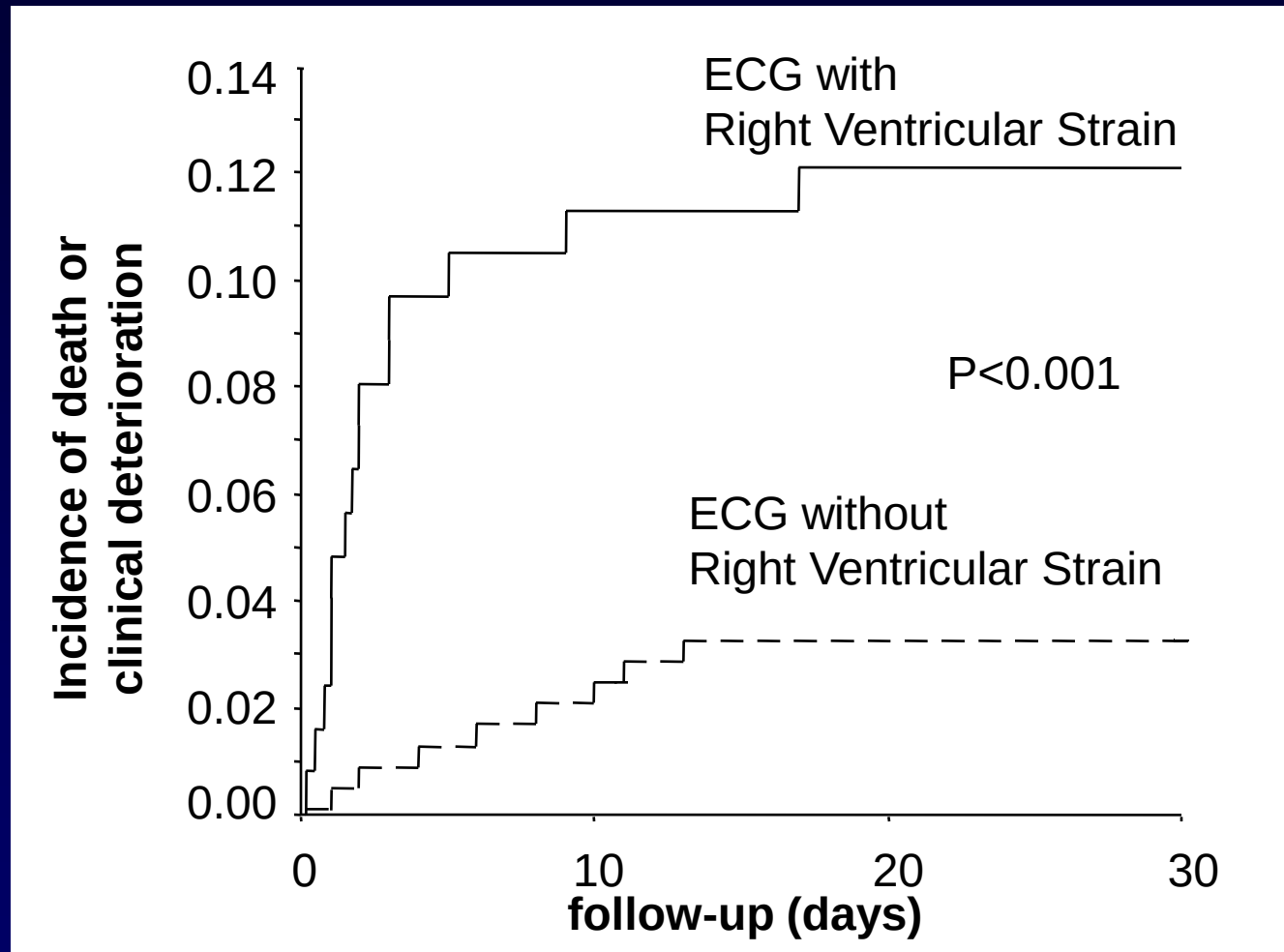


Combined strategies

TABLE 3. Combination of NT-proBNP or Cardiac Troponin T With Echocardiography for Definition of Risk Groups in Patients With Acute PE

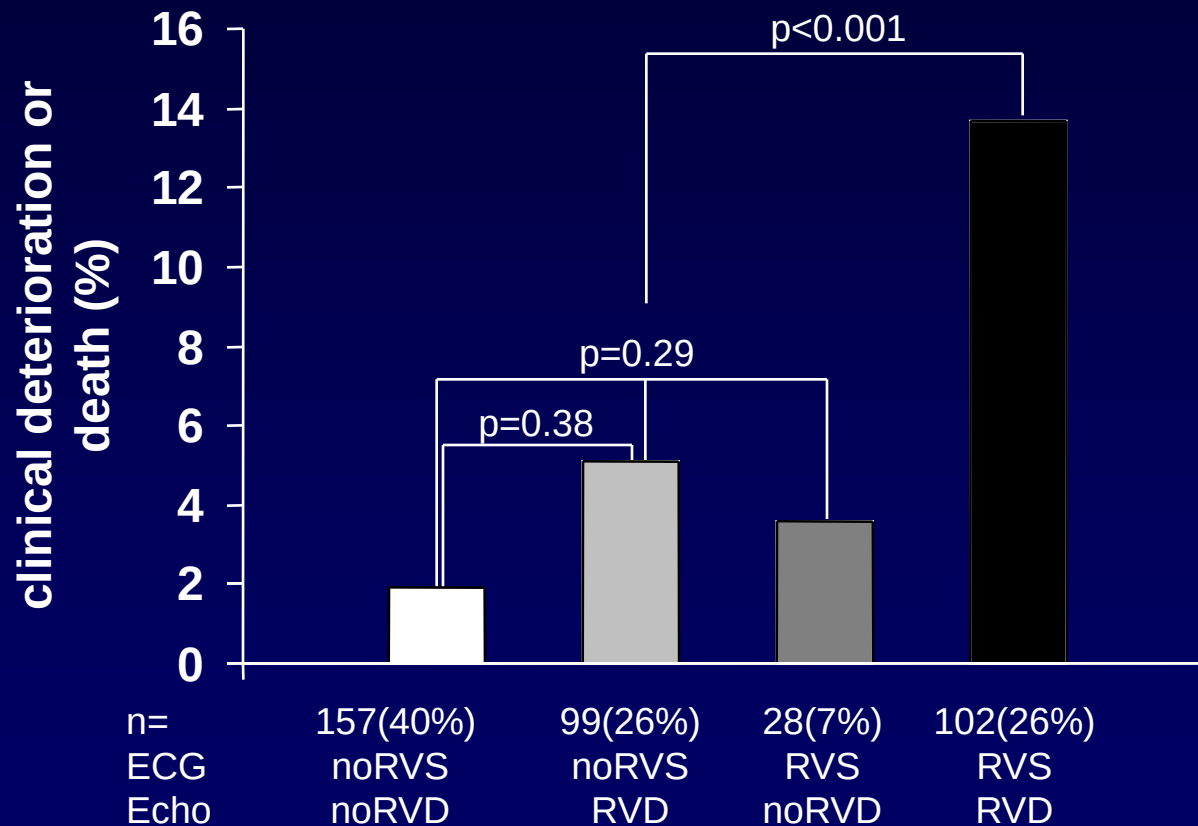
Event	Complicated In-Hospital Course, OR (95% CI)	P
NT-proBNP combined with echocardiography		
Group 1: NT-proBNP <1000 pg/mL	...	
Group 2: NT-proBNP >1000, echo negative*	3.28 (0.60–18.02)	0.172
<u>Group 3: Echo positive*†</u>	12.16 (2.45–60.29)	0.002
Cardiac troponin T combined with echocardiography		
Group 1: TnT negative,‡ echo negative*	...	
Group 2: TnT positive,‡ echo negative*	3.70 (0.76–18.18)	0.107
Group 3: TnT negative,‡ echo positive*	5.56 (0.97–31.99)	0.055
<u>Group 4: TnT positive,‡ echo positive*</u>	10.00 (2.14–46.80)	0.004

ECG in normotensive PE



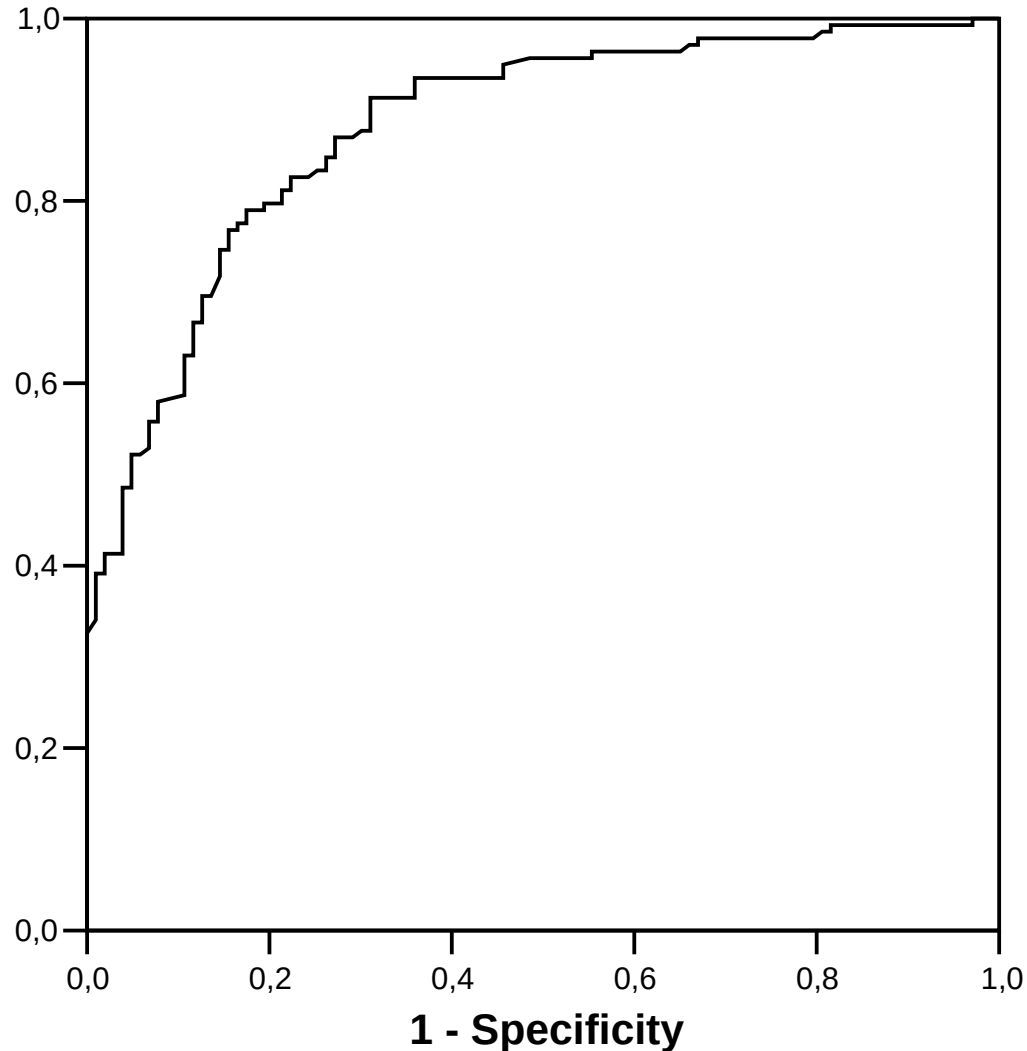
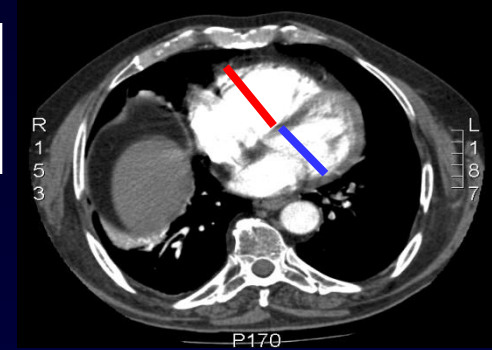
Combined strategies

ECG+Echo



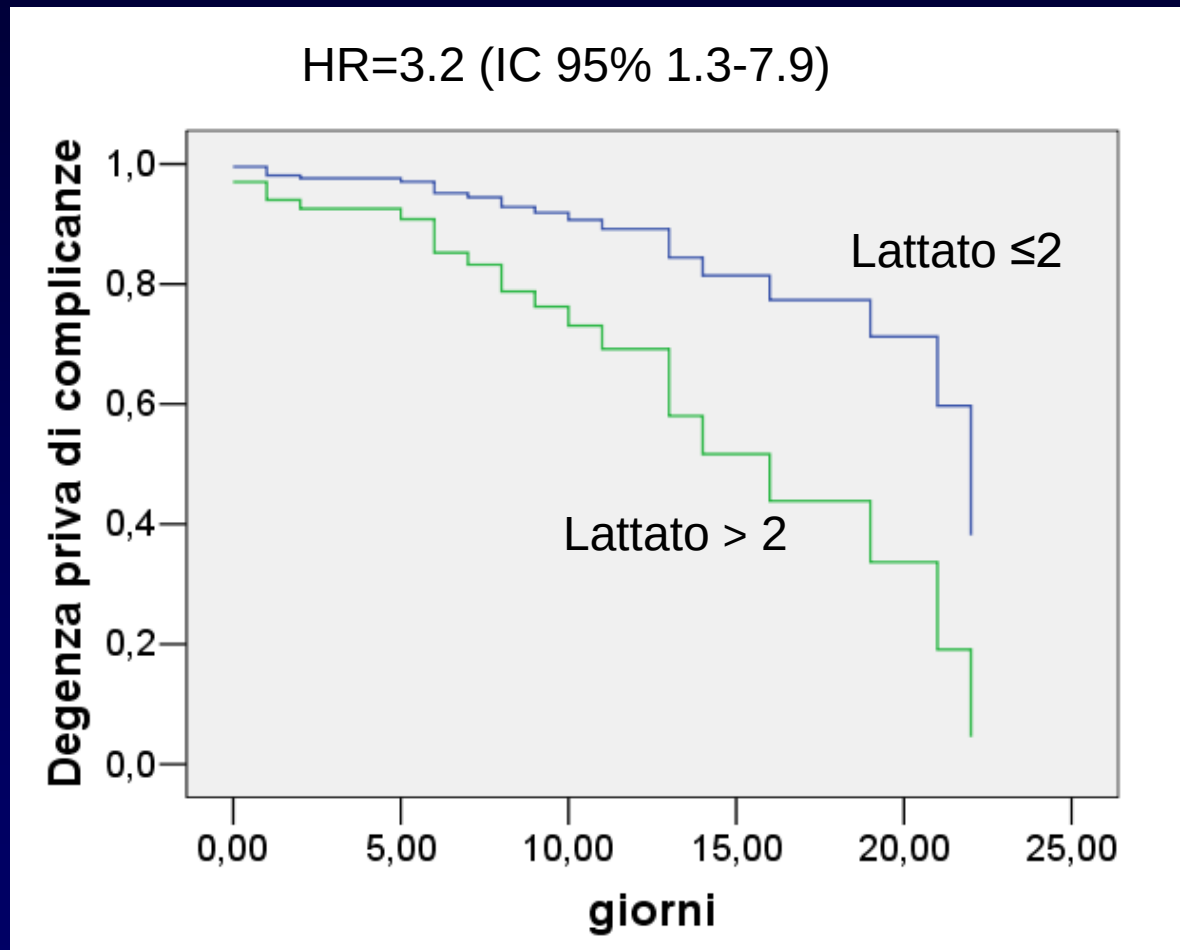
Accuracy: RVD at CT vs Echo

AUC 0.88 (95% CI 0.84-0.92)



Becattini C et al 2008

Il lattato nei pazienti con EP normotesi



Prognostication in EP

- To rule out adverse prognosis?
 - Biomarkers (natriuretic peptides, Troponin)
- To rule in aggressive treatment?
 - Echocardiography/TC plus
 - Biomarkers
 - ECG
 - Lactate

Terapia trombolitica

Table 13 Approved thrombolytic regimens for pulmonary embolism

Streptokinase	250 000 IU as a loading dose over 30 min, followed by 100 000 IU/h over 12–24 h Accelerated regimen: 1.5 million IU over 2 h
Urokinase	4400 IU/kg as a loading dose over 10 min, followed by 4400 IU/kg/h over 12–24 h Accelerated regimen: 3 million IU over 2 h
rtPA	100 mg over 2 h or 0.6 mg/kg over 15 min (maximum dose 50 mg)

rtPA = recombinant tissue plasminogen activator.

Efficacia e sicurezza degli agenti trombolitici

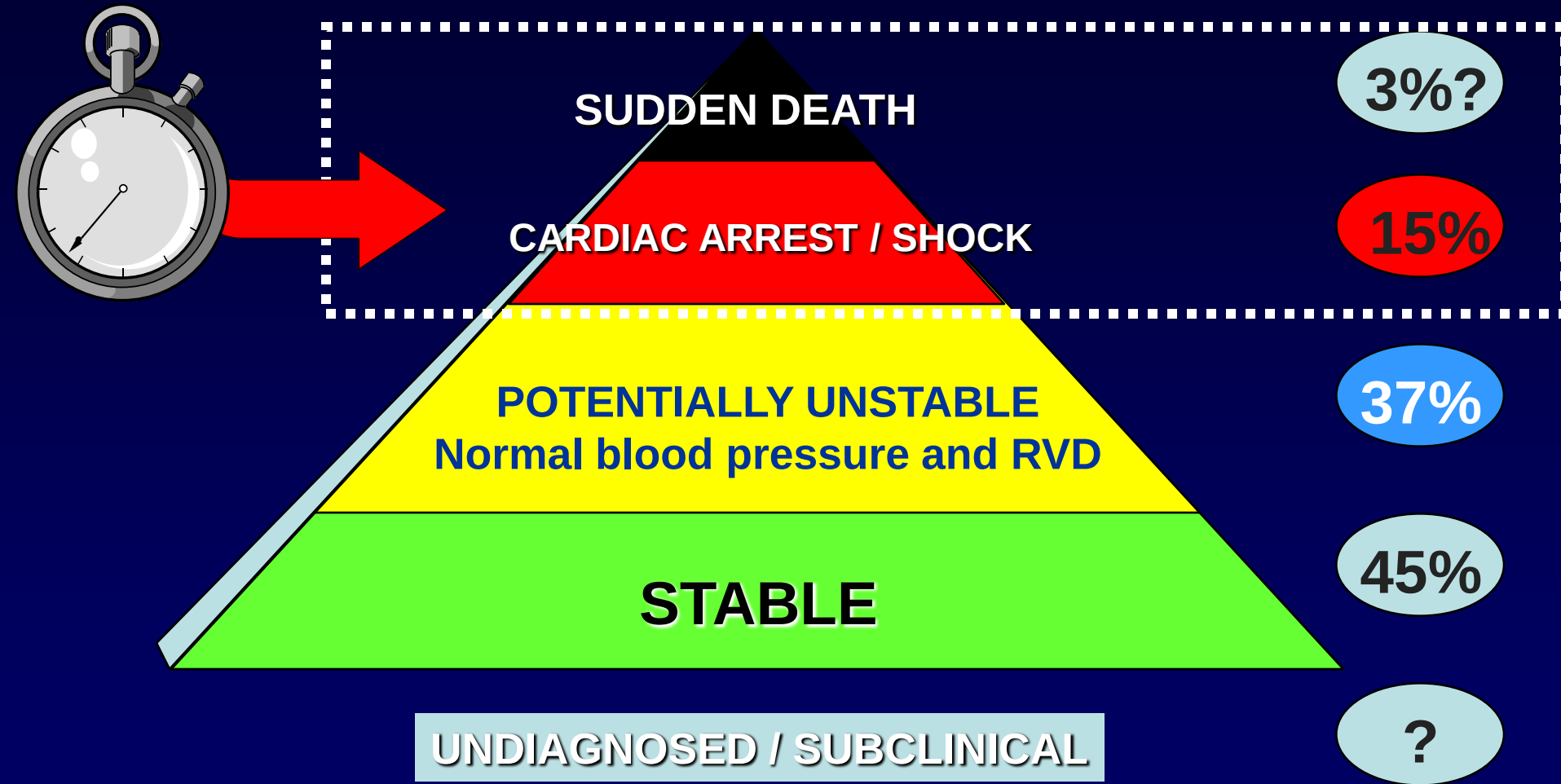
- UK, SK e rt-PA sembrano essere ugualmente efficaci e sicuri
- L'infusione di rt-PA in 2 ore risulta più rapida nella lisi del trombo quando confrontata con i regimi di infusione di 12 o 24 ore della UK e SK

Rischio emorragico della terapia trombolitica

- Rischio emorragico superiore all'eparina (6.3% vs 1,8%)
- Rischio clinicamente rilevante di emorragie intracraniche (2-3.5%)

Clinical presentation in patients with PE

204 consecutive cases



Trombi nelle sezioni dx

- La presenza di trombi nelle sezioni dx è associata ad aumento della mortalità
- La terapia con sola eparinica è insufficiente anche nei pz che clinicamente sembrano stabili
- La fibrinolisi e l' embolectomia chirurgica sono le terapie di scelta



Gestione dell' ACR nei pazienti con Embolia polmonare

- Nei pazienti in arresto cardiaco dovuto a presunta o diagnosticata embolia polmonare è ragionevole somministrare fibrinolitici (IIA)
- Successo terapeutico di embolectomia chirurgica o embolectomia percutanea meccanica nei pazienti in ACR con o senza pretrattamento con fibrinolisi

AHA guidelines for cardiopulmonary resuscitation; Circulation 2010



Embolectomia chirurgica

Si tratta di una tecnica chirurgica complessa, gravata da elevato tasso di mortalità (20-50%).

CONSIDERA (in extremis)

- EP massiva non rispondente alla terapia medica massimale per >1 ora
- Arresto cardiaco
- Controindicazione o fallimento della fibrinolisi



Embolectomia chirurgica

- Può essere un' opzione anche nei pz con Pa normale , in presenza di embolia polmonare estesa e grave disfunzione ventricolare dx
- In centri di III° livello la sopravvivenza ad 1 mese aumenta fino all'89%

Aklog et al Circulation 2002;105:1416-19



Angiojet nell' embolia polmonare massiva

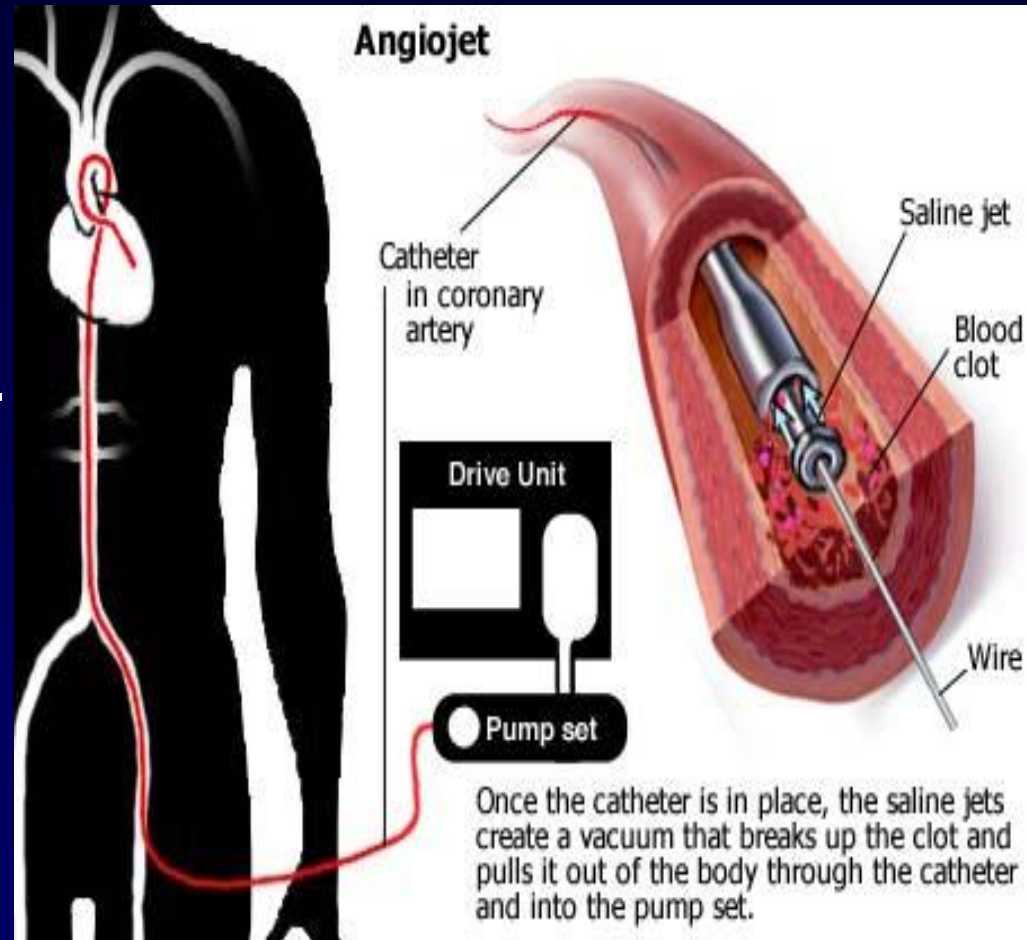
- Una meta-analisi ha mostrato un successo di tale metodica nell' 86,5% dei pazienti, non trattati con precedente fibrinolisi
- In centri con esperienza l' angiojet può essere considerato un trattamento di prima scelta nei pz con embolia polmonare massiva

Kuo et al J Vasc Interv Radiology 2009



Angiojet Rheolytic Thrombectomy System

- Rapida rivascularizzazione con riduzione della PAP
- Eseguibile anche in pz. ad elevato rischio chirurgico
- Da considerare nel pz ad alto rischio in caso di fallimento o controindicazione della fibrinolisi

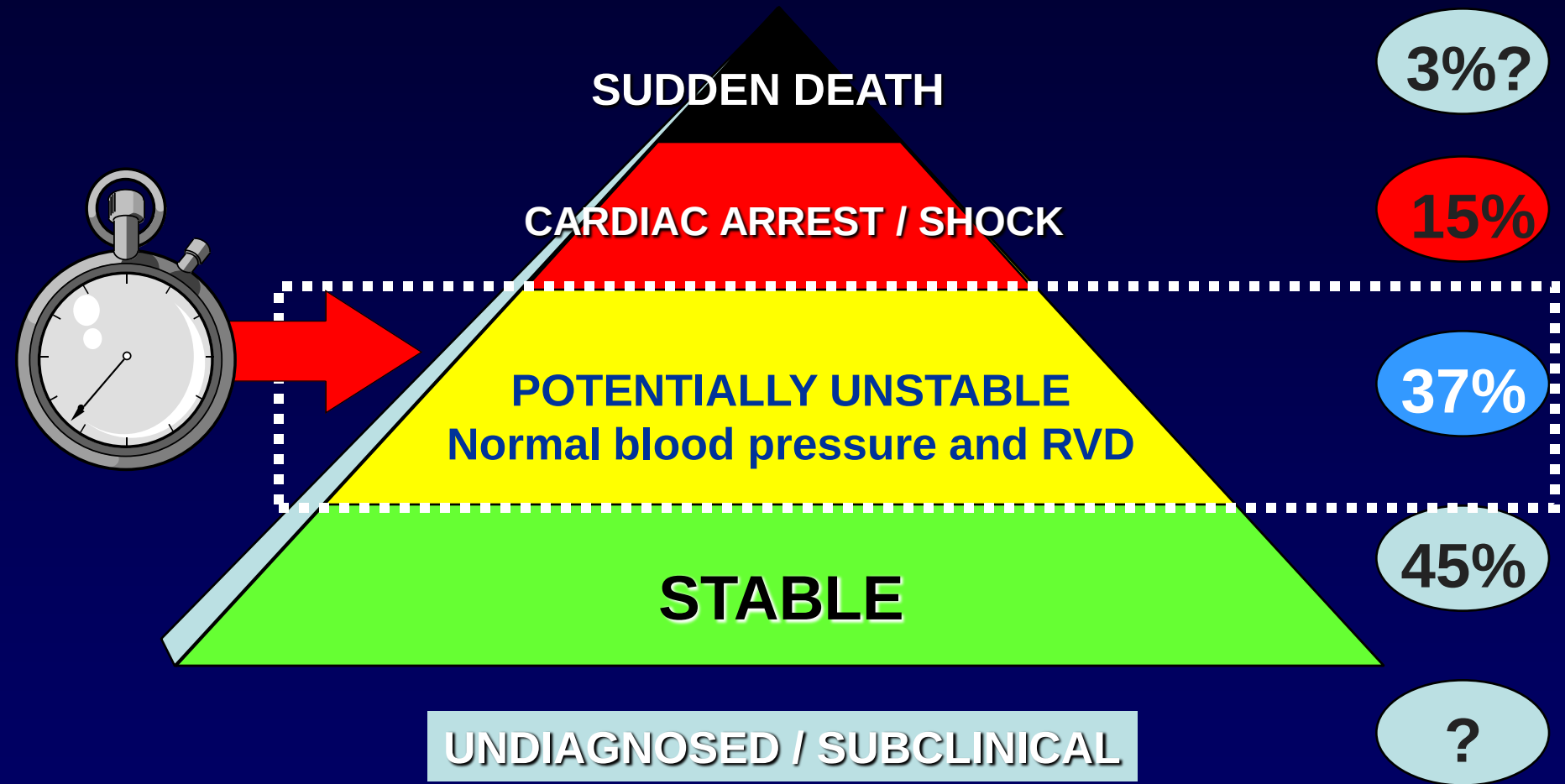


E.C.L.S nell' embolia polmonare massiva

- In uno studio di 21 pz (terapia con vasoattivi, ipossici e con acidosi) trattati con ECLS la sopravvivenza è stata del 62%
- L' ECLS può essere un'opportunità per migliorare la prognosi di una condizione altrimenti quasi sempre fatale

Clinical presentation in patients with PE

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Stratificazione prognostica

PE-related early MORTALITY RISK		RISK MARKERS			Potential treatment implications
		CLINICAL (shock or hypotension)	RV dysfunction	Myocardial injury	
HIGH >15%		+	(+)^a	(+)^a	Thrombolysis or embolectomy
NON HIGH	Inter mediate 3–15%	—	+	+	Hospital admission
			+	—	
			—	+	
	Low <1%	—	—	—	Early discharge or home treatment

Thrombolysis in PE with Echo-RVD without shock (256 pts)

In-hospital events	Heparin plus alteplase (118)	Heparin (138)	p
<u>Death</u>	3.4%	2.2%	0.71
<u>Escalation of treatment</u>	10.2%	24.6%	0.004
<u>Secondary thrombolysis</u>	7.6%	23.2%	
<u>PE recurrences</u>	3.4%	2.9%	0.89
<u>Major bleeding</u>	0.8%	3.6%	0.29
<u>Hemorrhagic stroke</u>	0	0	

(Konstantinides S et al. NEJM
2002)



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Conclusioni

- La terapia con alteplase ed eparina migliora il decorso dei pz con embolia polmonare sub-massiva (ipertensione polmonare e disfunzione del ventricolo destro)
- Indicazione ad estendere l'uso dei fibrinolitici, assicurandosi del basso rischio di complicanze emorragiche

Konstantinides S et al. NEJM 2002



Studio TİPES

MULTICENTRICO RANDOMIZZATO, CONTROLLATO,
DOPPIO CIECO (n=180)

TNK-tPA bolo

e.v.

+

VS

Eparina UFH e.v.

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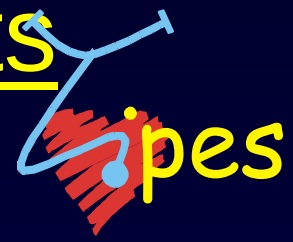
CRITERI DI INCLUSIONE:

- 18-80 ANNI
- EP SINTOMATICA
- PA $\geq$ 100 mmHg
- RVD +



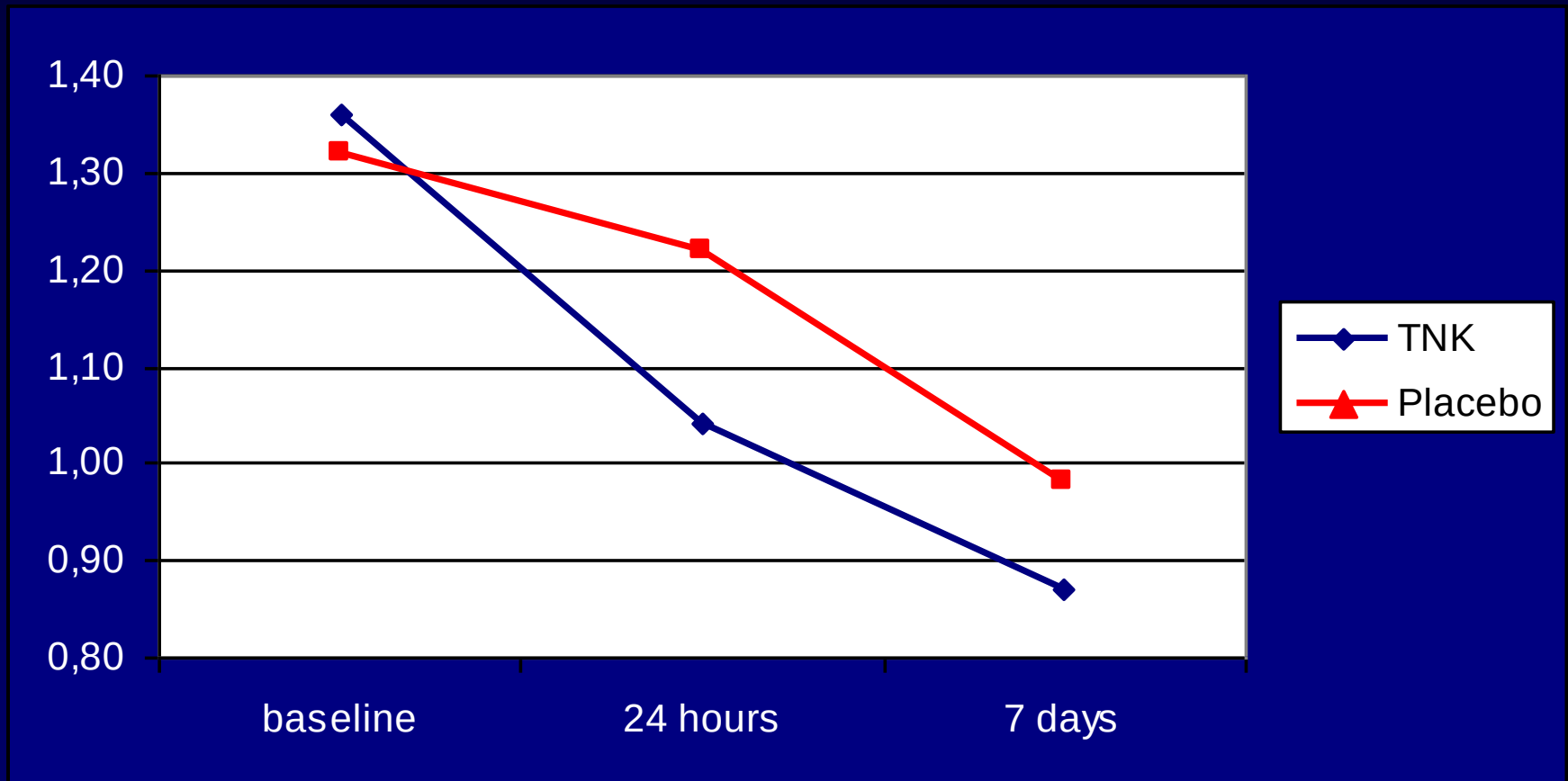
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TNK in normotensive PE patients



R/L end-diastolic dimension ratio :

Time course



Agnelli G et al 2007

Conclusioni

- E' il primo studio sull' uso del TNK nell' embolia polmonare
- Dimostrazione della riduzione della RVD a 24 ore
- Necessità di verificare che questo effetto benefico sia associato ad un miglioramento prognostico

Agnelli G et al Thromb Res. 2010 Mar;125



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Studio PEiTHO

MULTICENTRICO RANDOMIZZATO, CONTROLLATO,
DOPPIO CIECO (circa 1000 pz) Europeo

rtPA bolo e.v.
+
Eparina UFH e.v. } VS { Eparina UFH e.v.

CRITERI DI INCLUSIONE:

- 18-80 ANNI
- EP SINTOMATICA
- PA $\geq$ 100 mmHg
- RVD + Troponina o BNP elevati

Endpoints:

- Mortalità per EP
- Recidiva
- Shock

RVD on admission and outcome in patients with Pulmonary Embolism

- RVD persistence appears to be common
- Echocardiography should be repeated before discharge
- Selected patients with RVD persistence may require evaluation for surgical thrombectomy
- Can we prevent RVD persistence with more aggressive initial treatment ?

Pazienti con embolia polmonare e disfunzione ventricolare destra

- “Routine use of thrombolyses in non-high risk patient is not recommended, but may be considered in selected patients with intermediate risk PE and after a thorough consideration of conditions increasing the risk of bleeding.”
- *Guidelines on diagnosis and management of acute PE, Eur Heart J, 2008*

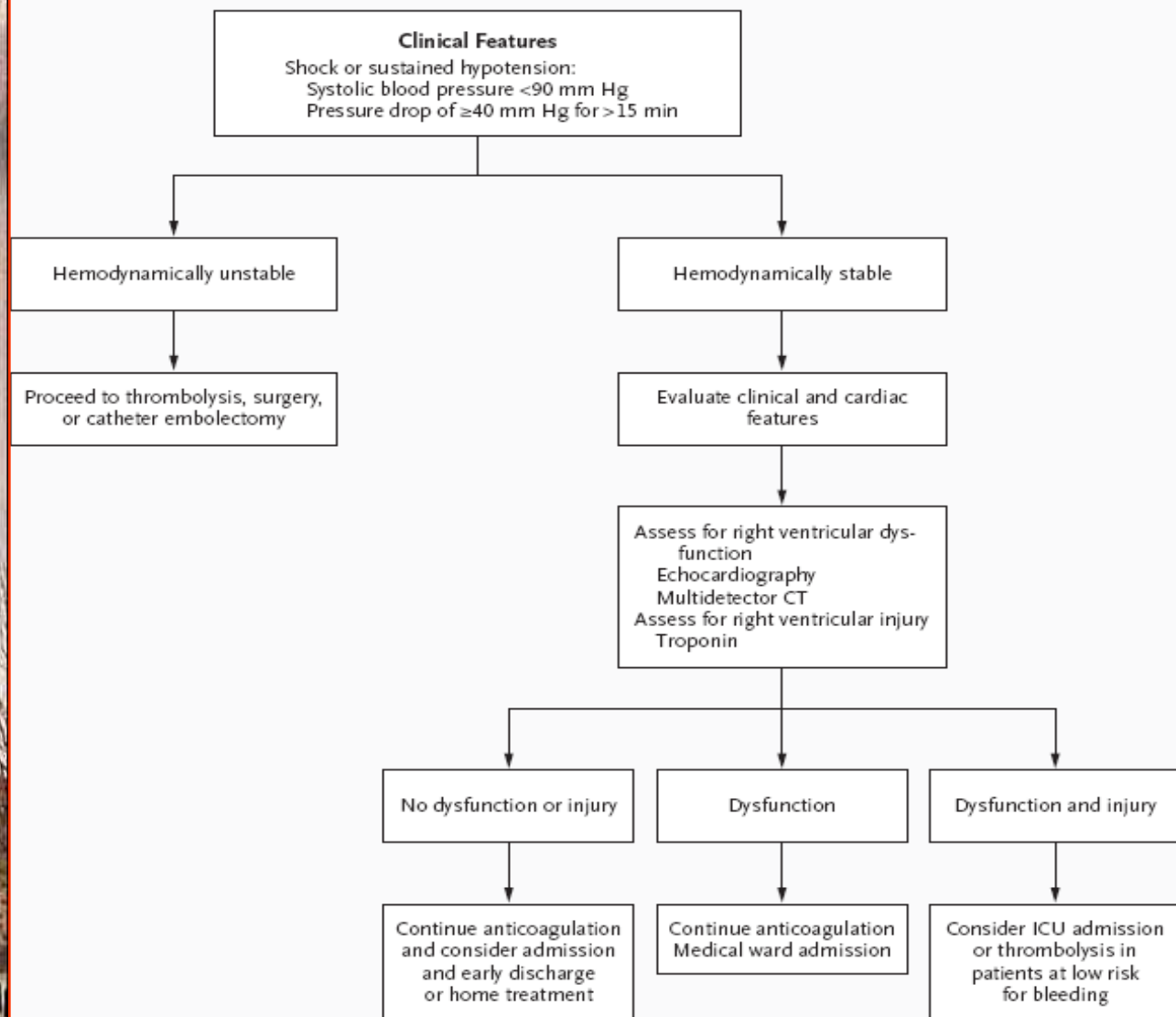


Figure 2. Clinical Management of Confirmed Acute Pulmonary Embolism.

U denotes intensive care unit.

Evidence-based treatment strategy for PE

PE + shock



Thrombolysis

- Prevalence 14%
- Acute mortality 32%

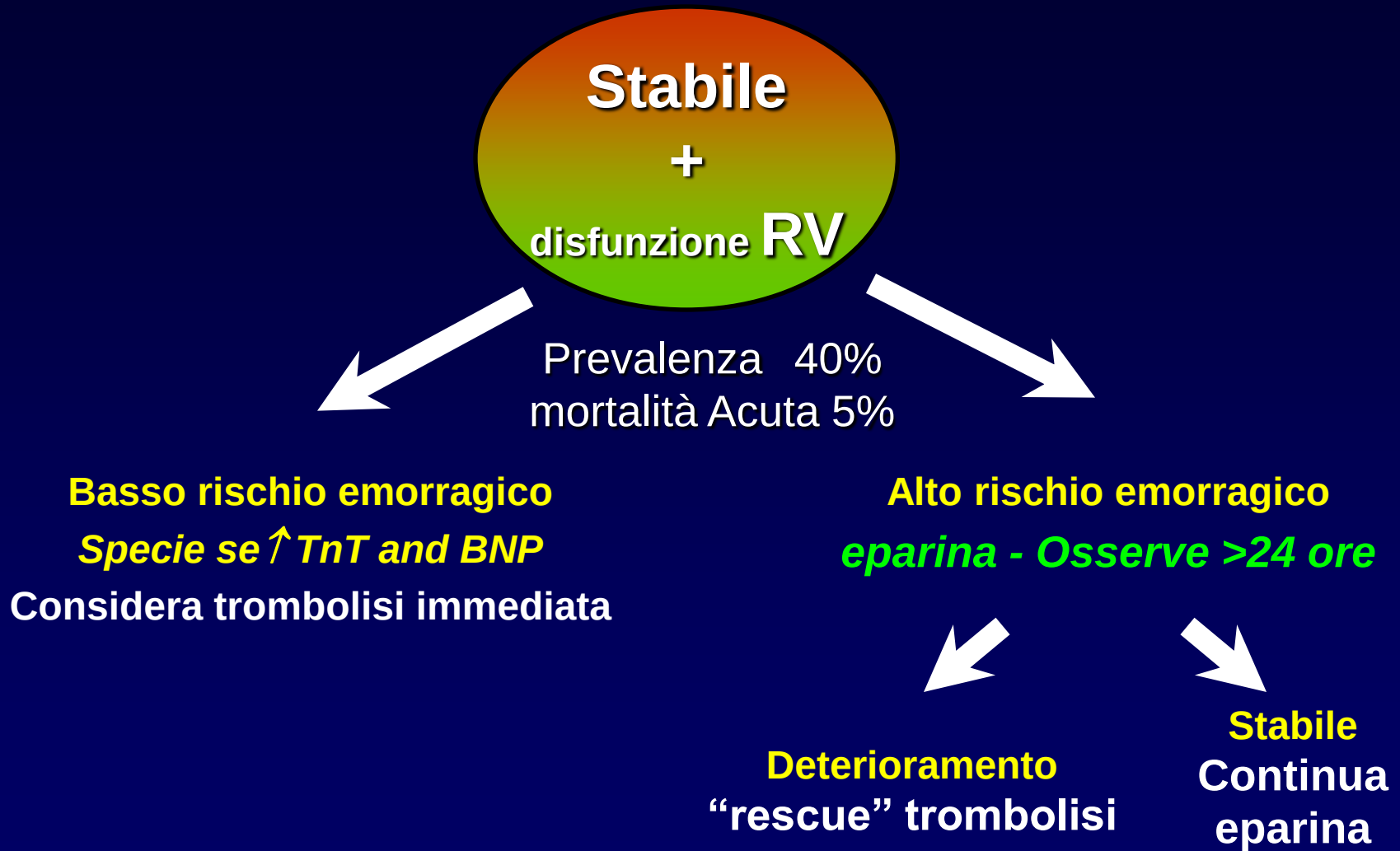
**Normotensive
no RV
dysfunction**



Heparin / LMWH

- Prevalence 46%
- Acute mortality 0%

Evidence-based treatment strategy for PE



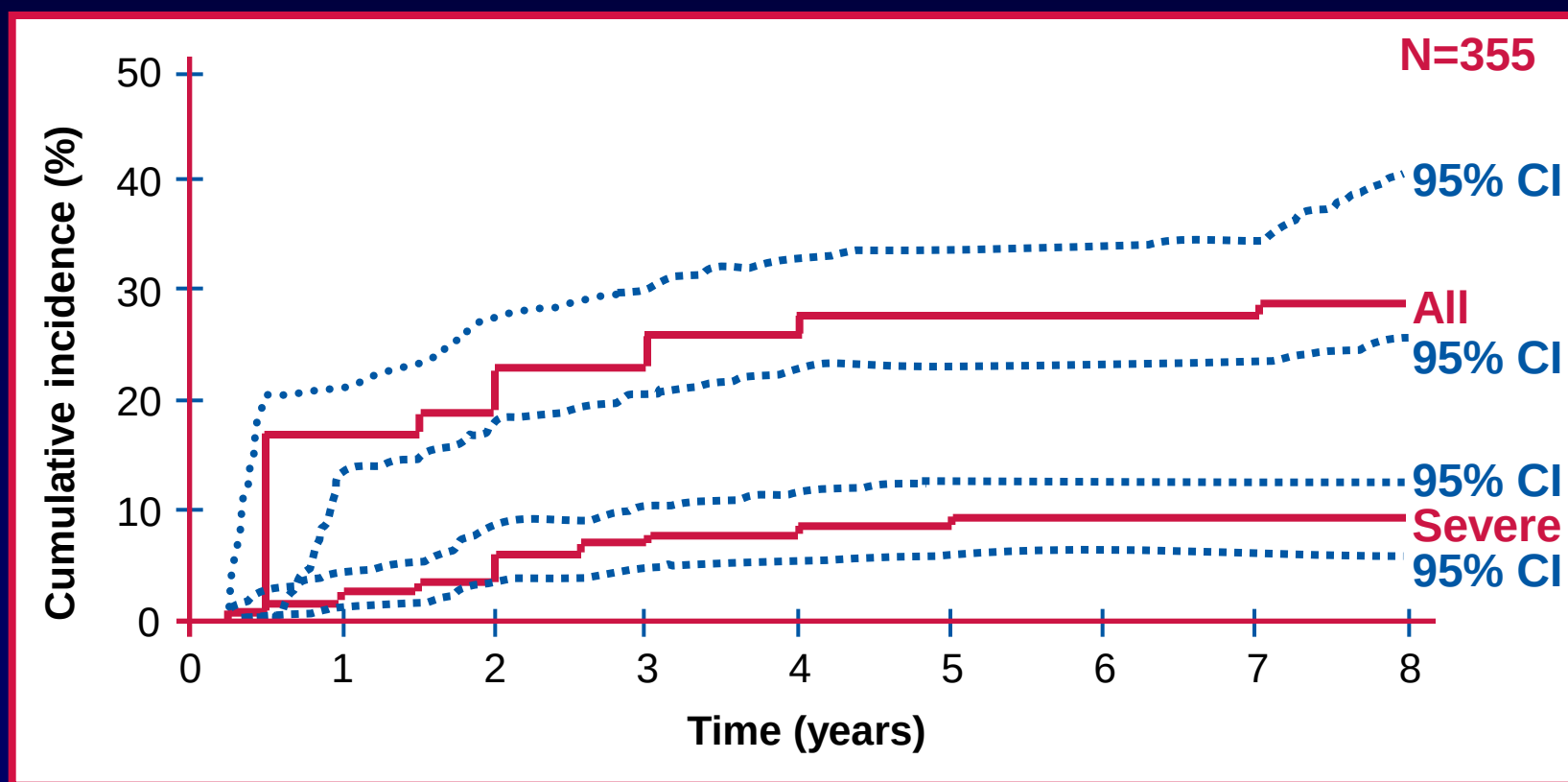
Recurrent VTE – long term perspective



DVT=deep vein thrombosis; VTE=venous thromboembolism
Heit JA, et al. *Arch Intern Med* 2000;160:761-768.

Cumulative Incidence of Post-thrombotic Syndrome

Cumulative incidence of all PTS and severe PTS,
after first episode of symptomatic DVT



Dimensioni del problema

Incidenza:

- 60.000/anno Italia ($\sim 0,1\%$)
- Intraospedaliera: 0,2-0,4%
- Aumenta con l'età
- Non differenze uomo donna (> 50 anni)



Dimensioni del problema

- **Mortalità: 30% se non riconosciuta**

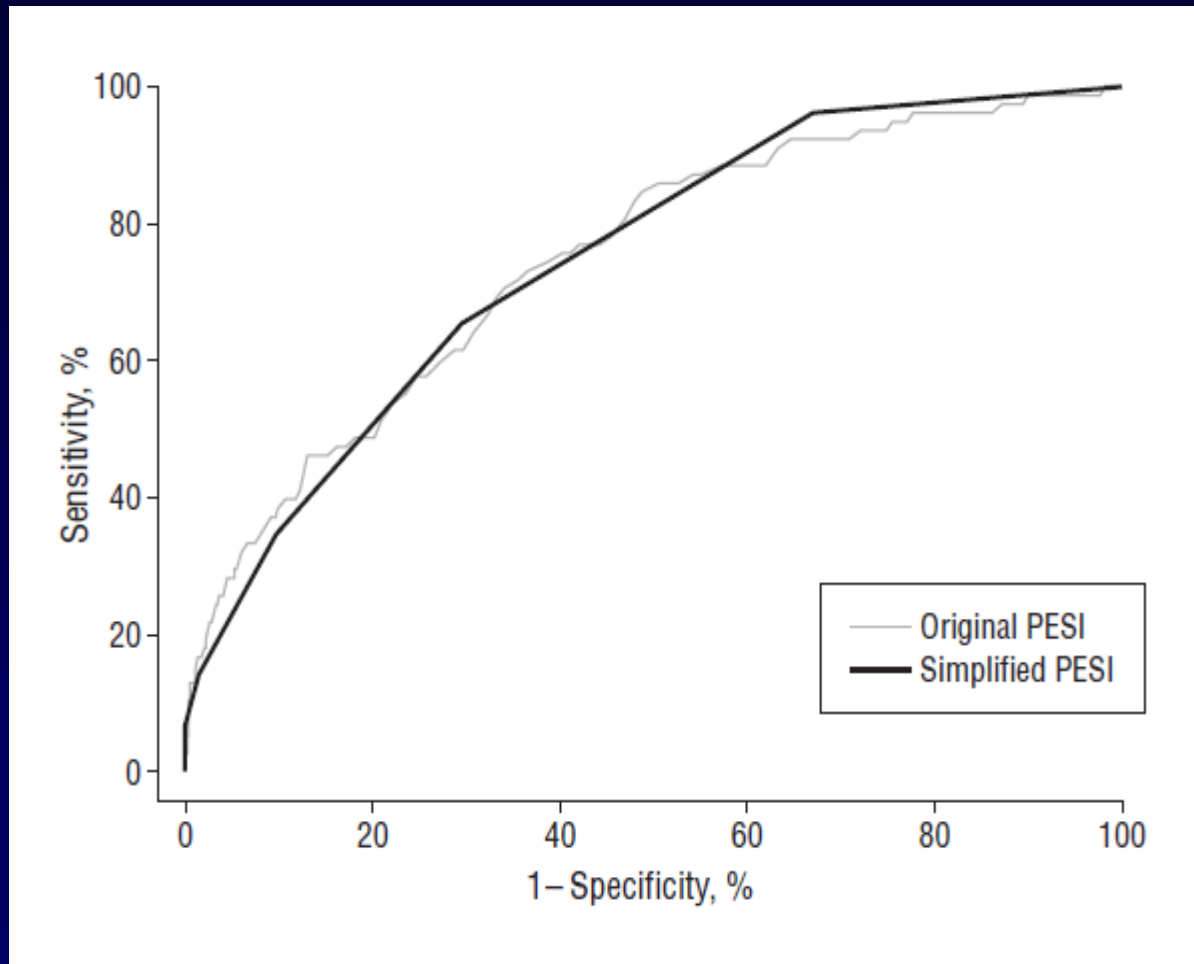
Mortalità intraospedaliera: 7%

Mortalità a tre mesi (Icoper): 17%

- **Ipertensione polmonare persistente: 20%**



Stratificazione prognostica clinica.



Jimenez D Arc Int Med 2010

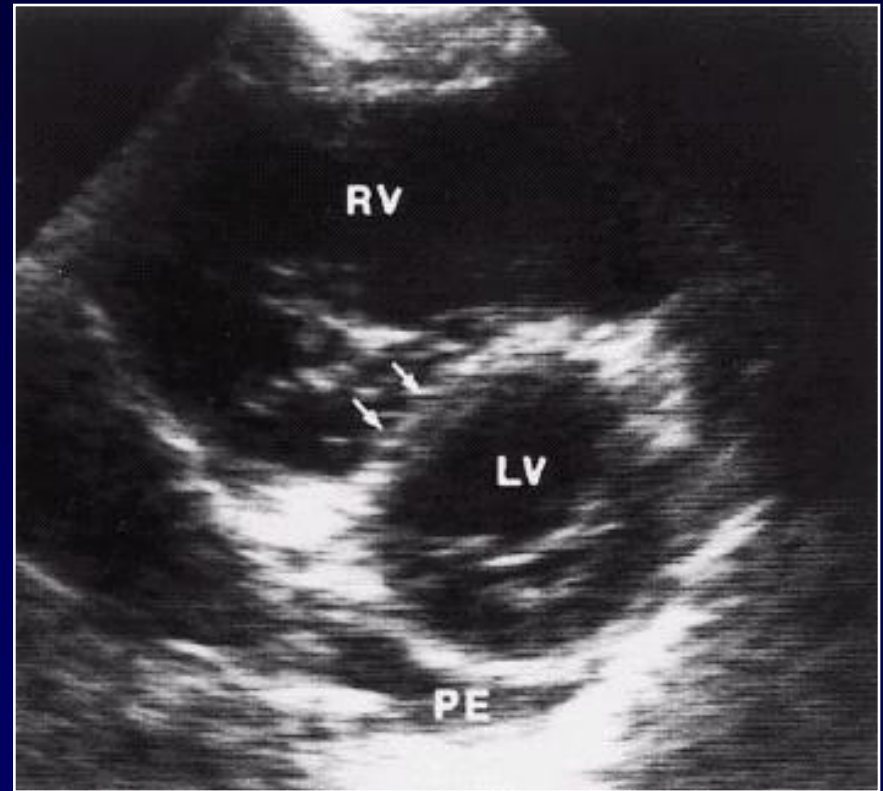
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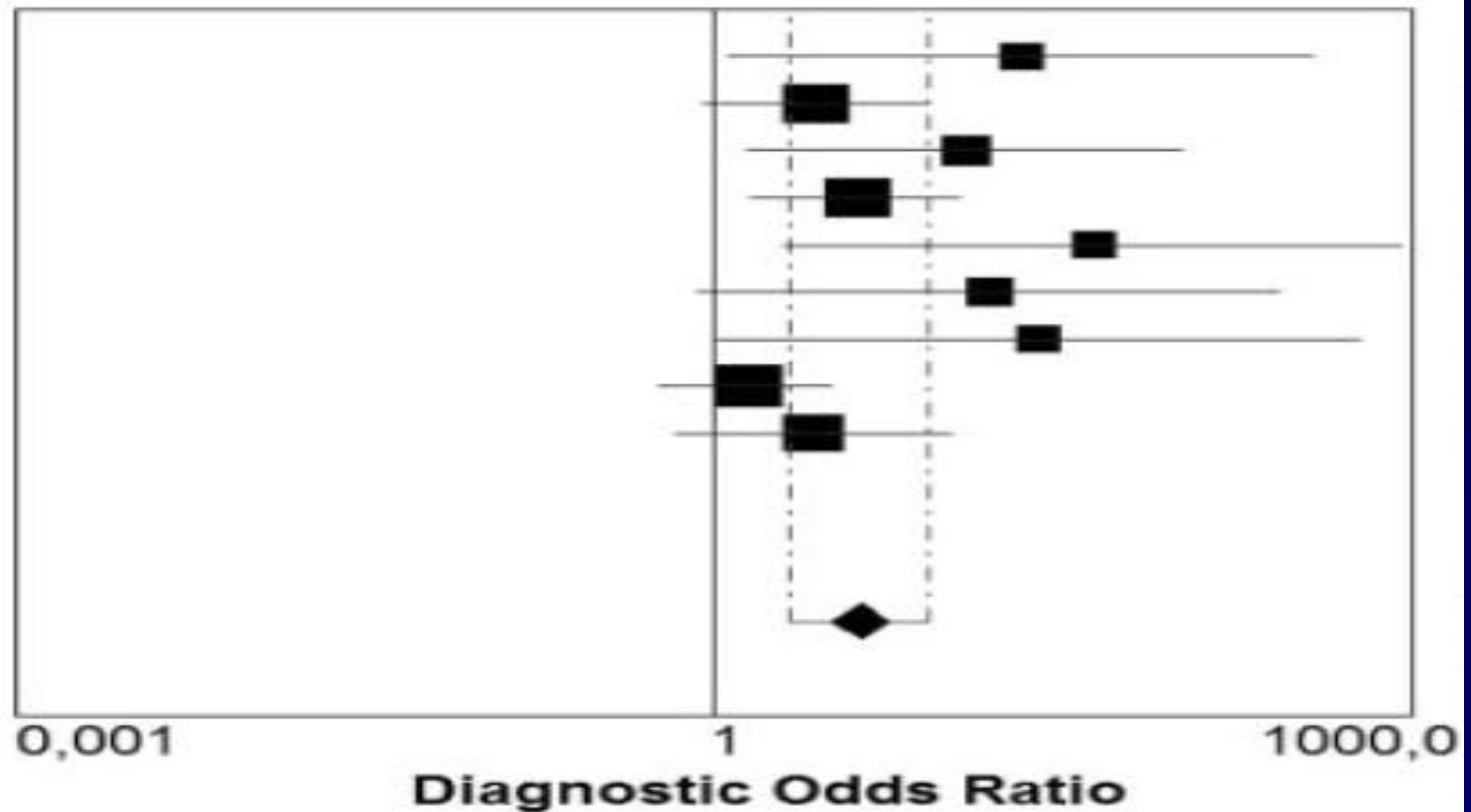
Resistenze polmonari

Rapido aumento
delle resistenze
polmonari quando è
interessato $\geq 30\%$
del letto vascolare
polmonare

% del letto vascolare interessato



Tpn e mortalità nei normotesi



Post-thrombotic Syndrome

- Chronic, potentially disabling
- Cumulative incidence of PTS is 29% after 8 years¹
- Any sign of PTS is seen in 56.3% of patients at 10 years²
- Long-term medical costs of treating this late complication add an estimated 75% to the costs of treating the primary DVT³

DVT=deep vein thrombosis; PTS=post-thrombotic syndrome

1. Prandoni P et al. *Ann Intern Med.* 1996;125:1-7; 2. Schulman S, et al. *J Thromb Haemost* 2006;4:734-742; 2. Bergqvist D, et al. *Ann Intern Med* 1997;126:454-457.

Presentazione dell'EP nel DEA: TRE PARADIGMI

CRITERIO DOMINANTE

➤ Paz in SHOCK

TEMPO

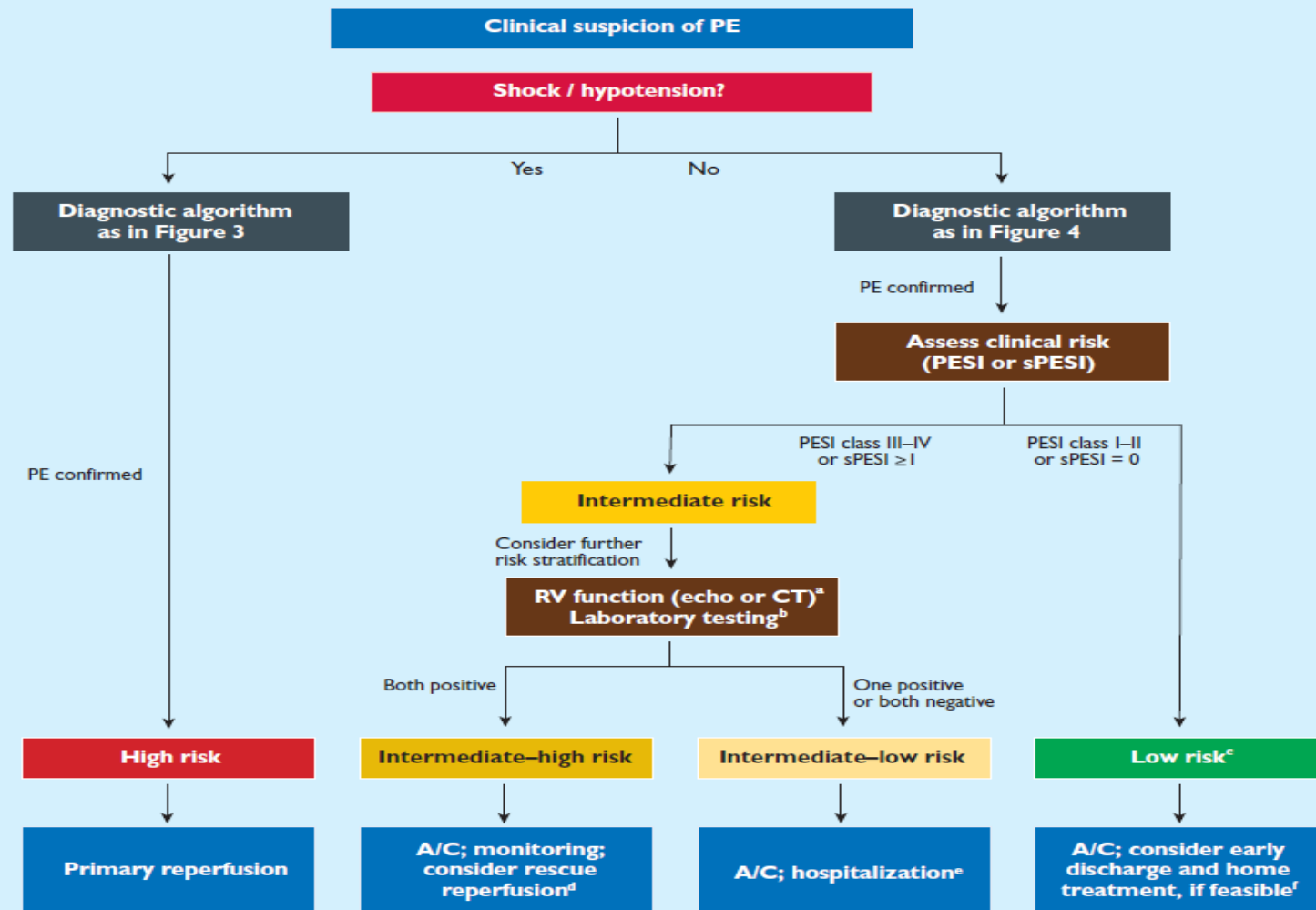
➤ Paz normoteso,
dispnoico

**Stratificazione
Prognostica**

➤ Paz eupnoico, dolore
toracico parietale,
sospetta TVP

**Accuratezza
Diagnostica**





A/C = anticoagulation; CT = computed tomographic pulmonary angiography; PE = pulmonary embolism; PESI = pulmonary embolism severity index; RV = right ventricular; sPESI = simplified pulmonary embolism severity index.

^aIf echocardiography has already been performed during diagnostic work-up for PE and detected RV dysfunction, or if the CT already performed for diagnostic work-up has shown RV enlargement (RV/LV (left ventricular) ratio ≥ 0.9), a cardiac troponin test should be performed except for cases in which primary reperfusion is not a therapeutic option (e.g. due to severe comorbidity or limited life expectancy of the patient).

^bMarkers of myocardial injury (e.g. elevated cardiac troponin I or T concentrations in plasma), or of heart failure as a result of (right) ventricular dysfunction (elevated natriuretic peptide concentrations in plasma). If a laboratory test for a cardiac biomarker has already been performed during initial diagnostic work-up (e.g. in the chest pain unit) and was positive, then an echocardiogram should be considered to assess RV function, or RV size should be (re)assessed on CT.

^cPatients in the PESI Class I-II, or with sPESI of 0, and elevated cardiac biomarkers or signs of RV dysfunction on imaging tests, are also to be classified into the intermediate-low risk category. This might apply to situations in which imaging or biomarker results become available before calculation of the clinical severity index. These patients are probably not candidates for home treatment.

^dThrombolysis, if (and as soon as) clinical signs of haemodynamic decompensation appear; surgical pulmonary embolectomy or percutaneous catheter-directed treatment may be considered as alternative options to systemic thrombolysis, particularly if the bleeding risk is high.

^eMonitoring should be considered for patients with confirmed PE and a positive troponin test, even if there is no evidence of RV dysfunction on echocardiography or CT.

^fThe simplified version of the PESI has not been validated in prospective home treatment trials; inclusion criteria other than the PESI were used in two single-armed (non-randomized) management studies.

Stratificazione prognostica clinica.

PESI

Predictors	Score	
• Age	Years	
• Male sex	+10	
• Cancer	+30	
• Heart failure	+10	
• COPD	+10	
• HR $\geq$ 110 bpm	+20	
• SBP < 100 mmHg	+30	
• RR $\geq$ 30	+20	
• BT < 36 °C	+20	
• Delirium	+60	
• SaO ₂ < 90%	+20	
Total _____		

Low risk

≤ 65 class I, mortality 0.7%

66–85 class II, mortality 1.2%

High risk

86–105 class III, mortality 4.8%

106–125 class IV, mortality 13.6%

>125 class V, mortality 25%

Stratificazione prognostica clinica.

sPESI

Table II. Simplified pulmonary embolism severity index.

Variable	Points
Age >80 years	1
History of cancer	1
History of chronic cardiopulmonary disease	1
Pulse ≥ 110 beats/min	1
Systolic blood pressure <100 mmHg	1
Arterial oxyhemoglobin saturation (SaO ₂) <90%	1

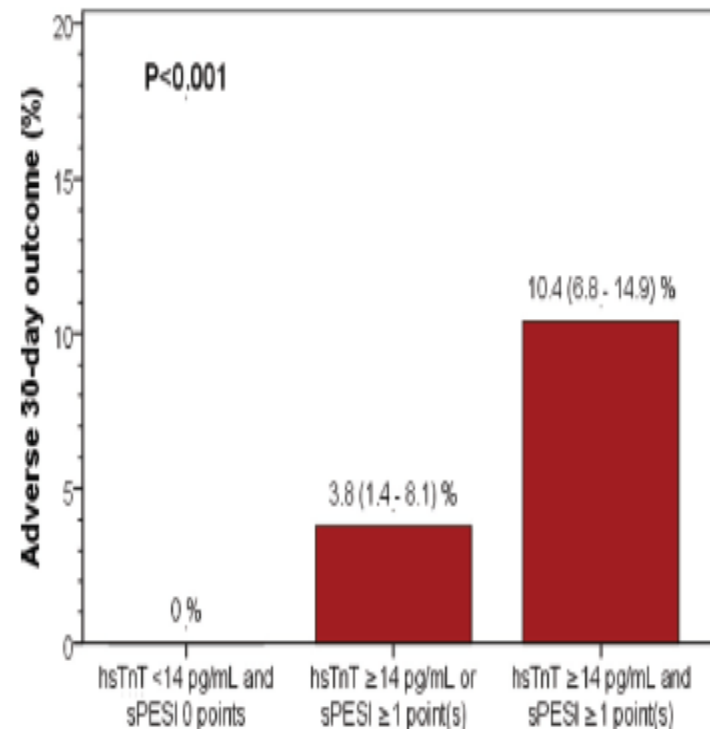
A total point score for a given patient is obtained by summing the points. The score corresponds with the following risk classes: 0, low risk; ≥ 1 , high risk.

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Table 3. Value of hsTnT and the sPESI, Alone and in Combination, for Predicting an Adverse 30-Day Outcome after Acute Pulmonary Embolism

	Sensitivity	Specificity	PPV	NPV
hsTnT ≥ 14 pg/mL	0.87	0.42	0.09	0.98
sPESI ≥ 1 point(s)	0.94	0.40	0.09	0.99
hsTnT ≥ 14 pg/mL and sPESI ≥ 1 point(s)	1.00	0.26	0.08	1.00

PPV indicates positive predictive value; NPV, negative predictive value; hsTnT, high-sensitivity troponin T; and sPESI, simplified Pulmonary Embolism Severity Index.





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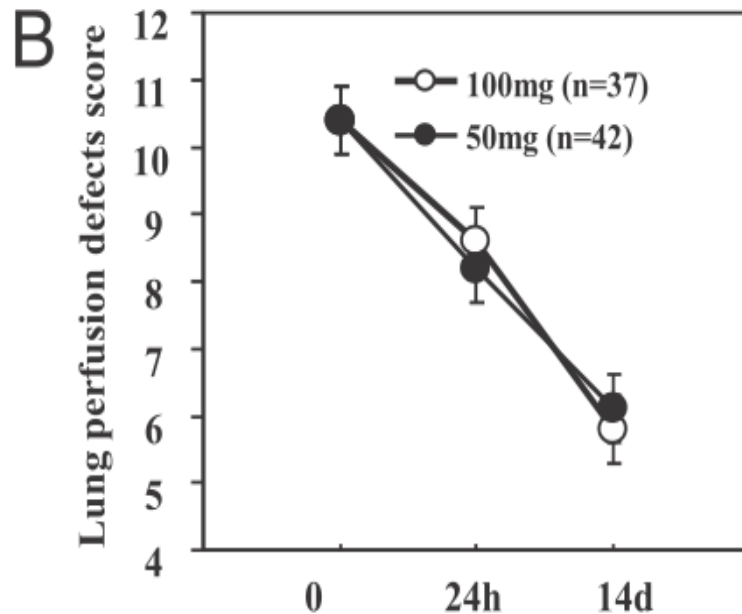


Table 3—Comparison of Adverse Events During the First 14 d After Treatment, Comparing Two Treatments for PTE

Adverse Events	rt-PA 100 mg (n = 48)	rt-PA 50 mg (n = 55)	P
Death	3 (6)	1 (2)	.472
Due to PTE	2 (4)	1 (2)	...
Due to bleeding	1 (2)	0 (0)	...
<u>Bleeding complications</u>	17 (32)	11 (17)	<u>.054</u>
Major bleeding	5 (10)	2 (3)	.288
Fatal bleeding	1 (2)	0 (0)	...
Others	4 (8)	2 (3)	...
Minor bleeding	12 (22)	9 (14)	.214
Recurrent PTE	2 (4)	1 (2)	.858
Fatal	0 (0)	0 (0)	...
Nonfatal	2 (4)	1 (2)	...

Data presented are number (%) of patients. Others = other major bleeding without death. See Table 1 for expansion of abbreviations.