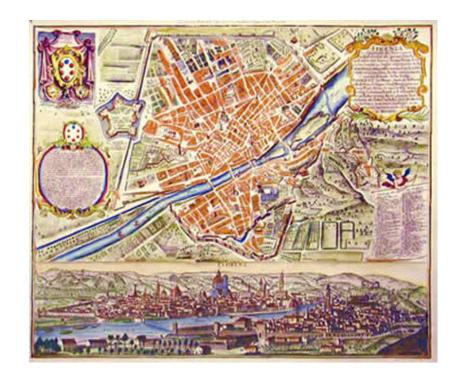
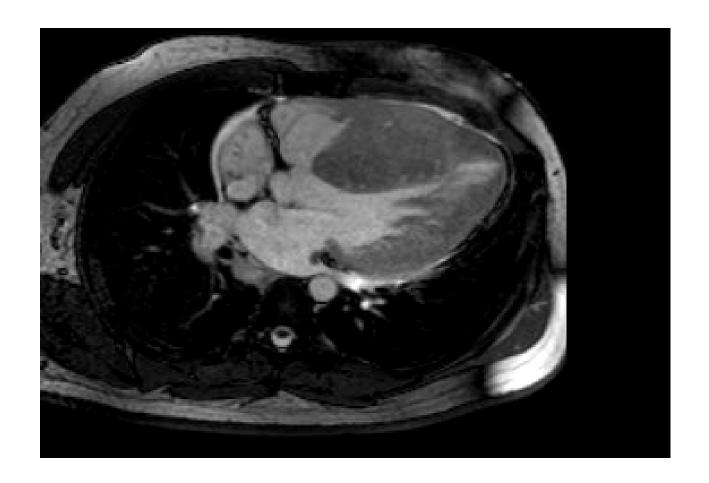
### Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy And Atrial Fibrillation

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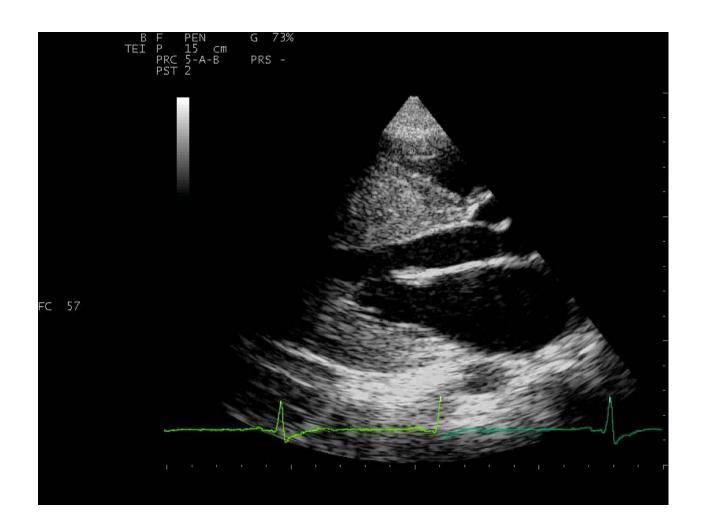






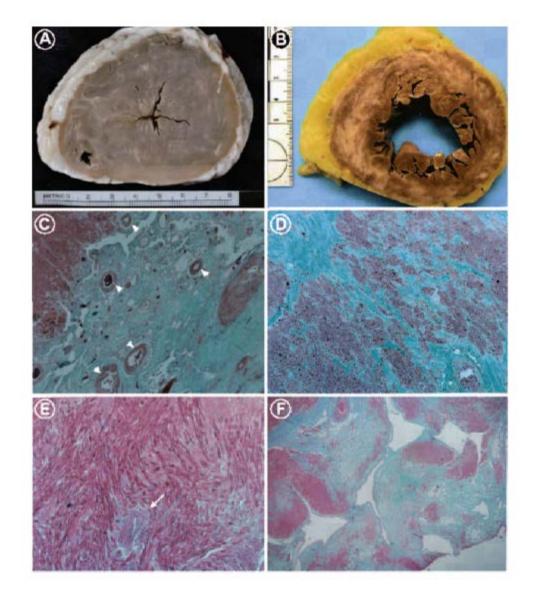












Harris et al Circulation, 2006

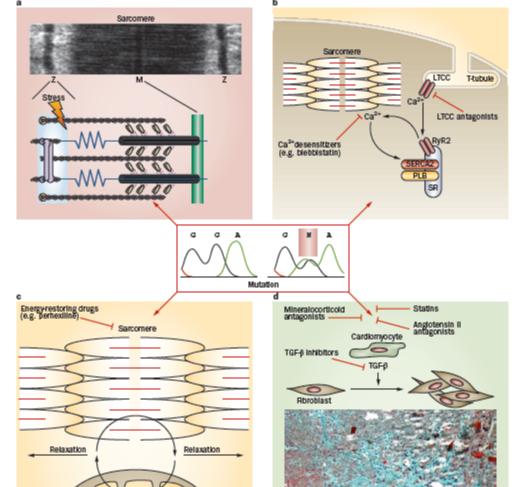




### Mechanisms of disease: hypertrophic cardiomyopathy

Norbert Frey, Mark Luedde and Hugo A. Katus

Disturbed Biomechanical Stress Sensing



Impaired
Calcium
Cycling and
Sensitivity

Altered Energy Homeostasis

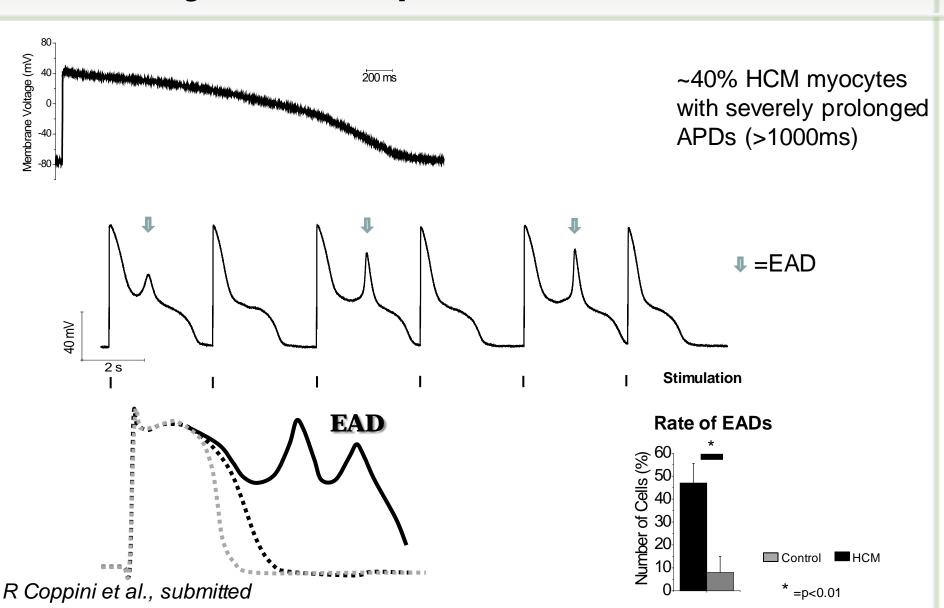
Increased Fibrosis

Frey, N. et al. Nat. Rev. Cardiol. 9, 91-100 (2012); published online 25 October 2011; doi:10.1038/nrcardio.2011.159





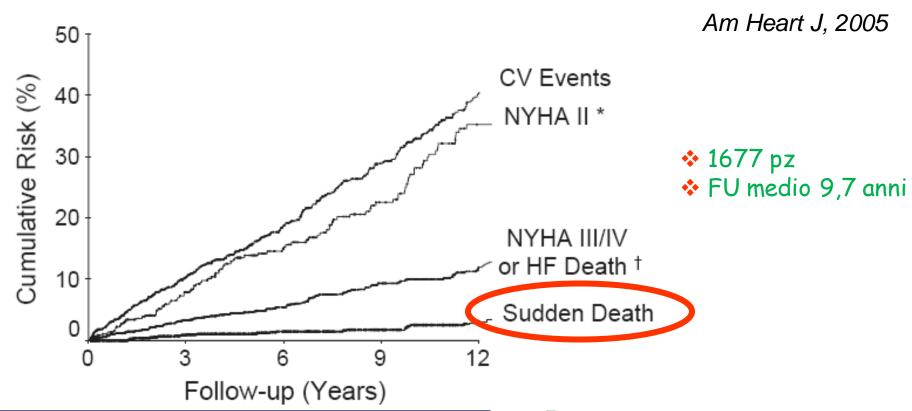
# APD Prolongation and Early After Depolarizations (EADs)





## The Italian registry for hypertrophic cardiomyopathy: A nationwide survey

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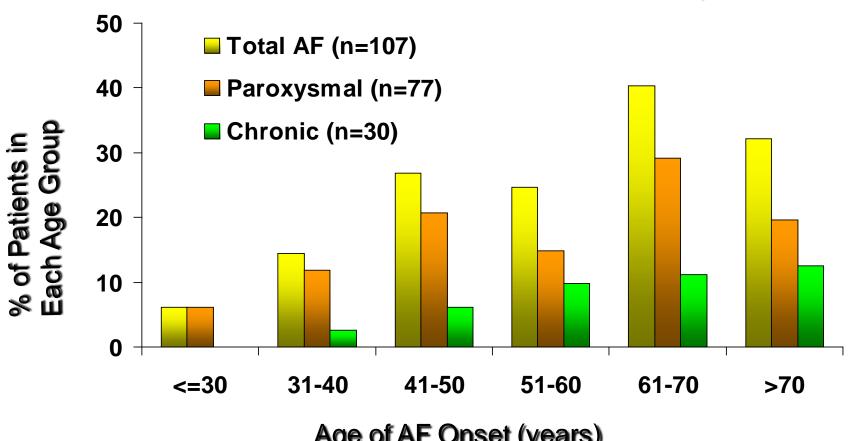




### Age at onset of atrial fibrillation in 107 patients with HCM



Olivotto et al. Circulation 2001











### Is There a Primary Atrial Myopathy in HCM?

- Frequent LA dilatation in the absence of severe MR or diastolic dysfunction (Roberts, 1989)
- Prolonged P-wave duration (Cecchi, 1997)
- Reduced atrial systolic function (Sanada, 1991)
- AF despite normal LA size (Olivotto, 2001)
- Familial occurrence of AF (Gruver, 1999)
- LA dysfunction predicts development of AF (Losi, 2004)



### AF in HCM Occurs in 2 Contexts



#### LV Outflow obstruction

May dictate timing of surgery

Often recurs after surgery

Causes severe symptoms

May cause loss of obstruction

### Disease Progression

**Causes further progression** 

High embolic risk

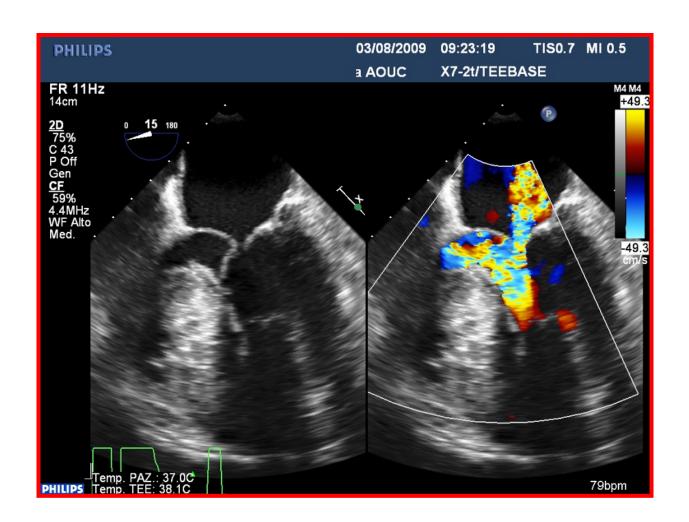
Rate control reasonable in the end-stage







### Echocardiography and LVOT Obstruction



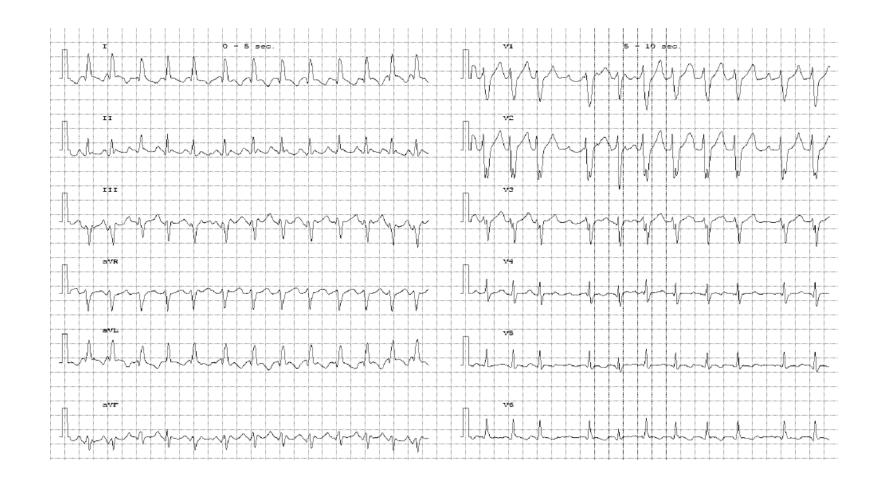


## Left Atrial Remodeling and Dysfunction are an Important Feature of End-Stage HCM





### ATRIAL FIBRILLATION

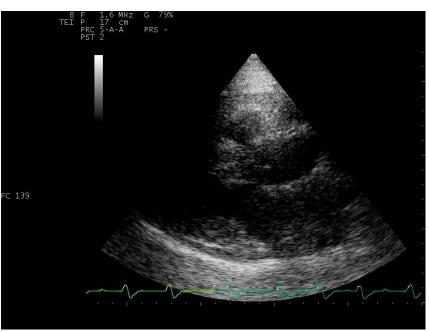




### Acute Consequences of AF in HCM

### Loss of Atrial Contraction + Fast Ventricular Rates = Hemodynamic Instability





Sinus Rhythm

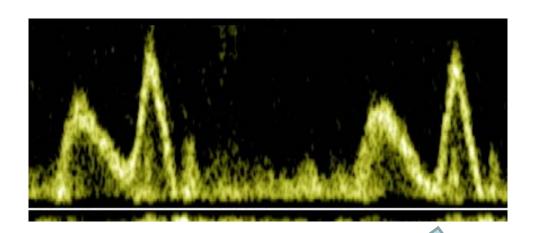
**Atrial Fibrillation** 





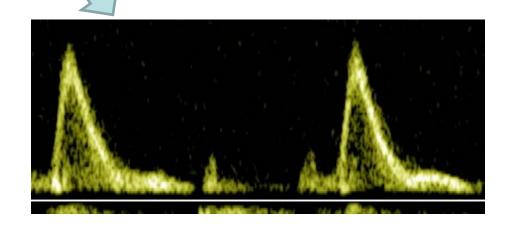
### Role of Atrial Contribution to LV Filling

Female, Age 58



NYHA FC II





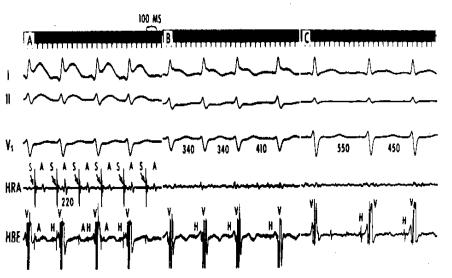






## AF can trigger VF in HCM due to hemodynamic impairment and ischemia

Myocardial ischemia induced by RA pacing and AF



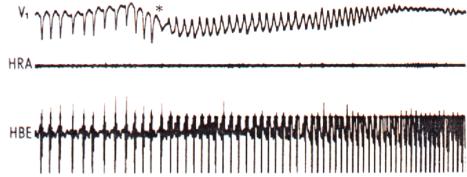
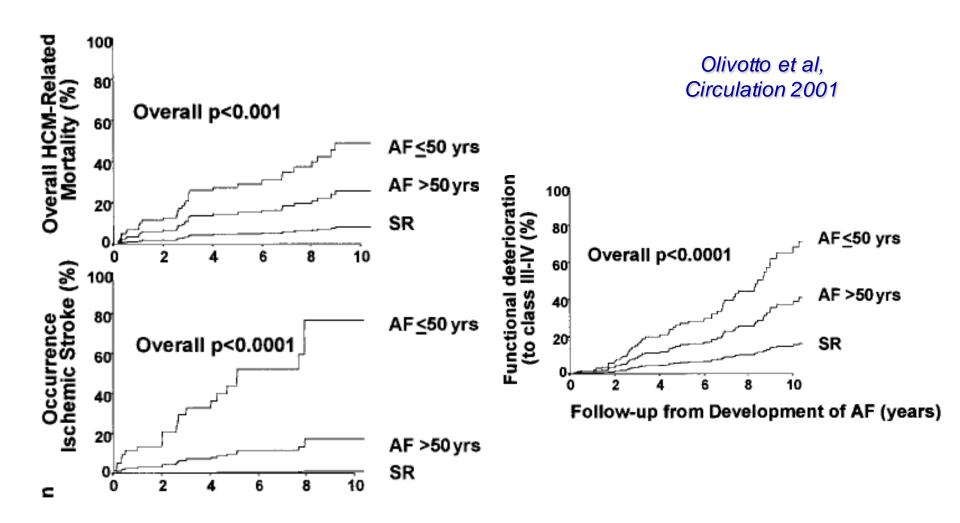


Figure 2. After 100 seconds of induced atrial fibrillation, spontaneous degeneration to ventricular fibrillation occurs, indicated by the asterisk. Abbreviations as in Figure 1.

Stafford WJ, JACC 1986



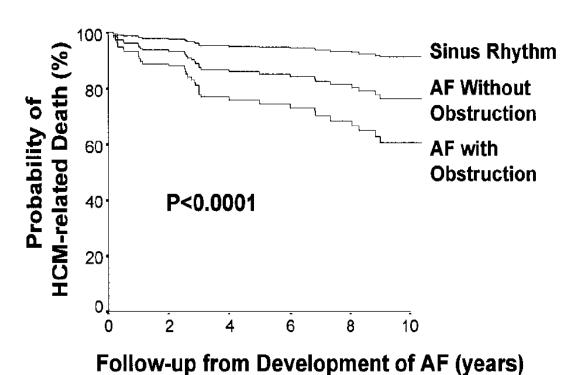
## AF in younger patients is associated with an increased risk of CV mortality and stroke







## AF in HCM pts with outflow obstruction causes further increase in mortality



-up from Development of AF (years)

Olivotto et al, Circulation. 2001





#### Clinical and Echocardiographic Determinants of Long-Term Survival After Surgical Myectomy in Obstructive Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy

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Anthony Ralph-Edwards, MD; Harry Rakowski, MD

Circulation 2005

TABLE 3. Clinical and Echocardiographic Predictors of Overall Mortality Among 338 Patients Who Underwent Myectomy

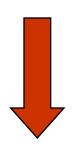
	Individual Analysis HR		Multivariable Analysis HR	
Variable	(95% CI)	P	(95% CI)	P
Age ≥50 y*	3.3 (1.9-5.8)	< 0.0001	2.8 (1.5-5.1)	0.0008
Female gender*	1.7 (1.0-2.8)	0.06	2.5 (1.5-4.3)	0.0009
History of preoperative AF*	2.7 (1.6-4.8)	0.0004	2.2 (1.2-4.0)	0.008
LA diameter ≥46 mm*	2.9 (1.6-5.3)	0.0005	2.9 (1.6-5.4)	0.0008
Septal/posterior thickness ratio ≥1.8*	0.5 (0.3-0.8)	0.009	0.8 (0.4-1.5)	0.5
Concomitant CABG*	4.8 (2.3-10.2)	< 0.0001	3.7 (1.7-8.2)	0.001

<sup>\*</sup>The group of patients without the indicated feature represents the reference category for the calculation of risk.





### AF = High Morbidity



AGGRESSIVE THERAPEUTIC STRATEGY



Prevention of Cardioembolism

Maintenance of Sinus Rhythm

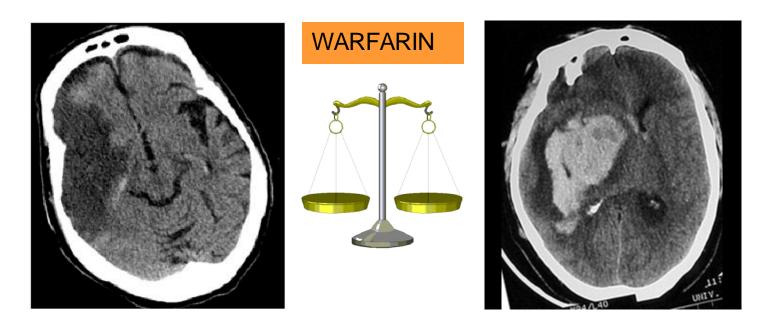




# AF is the most common complication with "global" implications

Ischemic Stroke

Hemorragic Stroke



+ Antiarrhythmic Toxicity and Proarrhythmia



### RHYTHM VS. RATE CONTROL

#### SR Maintenance

**Optimal relief of symptoms** 

Hemodynamic improvement

? Reduced embolic risk

? Improved prognosis

Increased risk of proarrhythmia / side effects of Tx

Risk of sudden deterioration due to AF recurrence

#### Rate Control

Less good relief of symptoms

Incomplete hemodynamic improvement

? Increased embolic risk

? Unknown long-term prognosis

Low risk of proarrhythmic / adverse effects of Tx

No risk of sudden deterioration due to AF recurrence / Less hospitalizations







Table 16 Suggested doses and main caveats for commonly used antiarrhythmic drugs

Drug	Dose	Main contraindications and precautions	ECG features prompting lower dose or discontinuation	AV nodal slowing
Disopyramide	100–250 mg t.i.d.	Contraindicated in systolic heart failure. Caution when using concomitant therapy with QT-prolonging drugs.	QT interval >500 ms	None
Flecainide	100–200 mg b.i.d. 200 mg o.d.	Contraindicated if creatinine clearance <50 mg/mL, in coronary artery disease, reduced LV ejection fraction. Caution in the presence of conduction system disease.	QRS duration increase >25% above baseline	None
Propafenone Propafenone SR	150–300 mg t.i.d. 225–425 mg b.i.d.	Contraindicated in coronary artery disease, reduced LV ejection fraction.  Caution in the presence of conduction system disease and renal impairment.	QRS duration increase >25% above baseline	Slight
d,I-Sotalol	80–160 mg b.i.d.	Contraindicated in the presence of significant LV hypertrophy, systolic heart failure, pre-existing QT prolongation, hypokalaemia creatinine clearance <50 mg/mL. Moderate renal dysfunction requires careful adaptation of dose.	QT interval >500 ms	Similar to high-dose β-blockers
Amiodarone	600 mg o.d. for 4 weeks, 400 mg o.d. for 4 weeks, then 200 mg o.d.	Caution when using concomitant therapy with QT-prolonging drugs, heart failure. Dose of vitamin K antagonists and of digitoxin/ digoxin should be reduced.	QT interval >500 ms	10–12 bpm in AF
Dronedarone	400 mg b.i.d.	Contraindicated in NYHA class III–IV or unstable heart failure, during concomitant therapy with QT-prolonging drugs, powerful CYP3A4 inhibitors, and creatinine clearance <30 mg/mL.  Dose of digitoxin/digoxin should be reduced. Elevations in serum creatinine of 0.1–0.2 mg/dL are common and do not reflect reduced renal function.		10–12 bpm in AF e (2010) <b>12</b> , 1360– 93/europace/euq35



### Comparison of Effectiveness and Safety of Ranolazine Versus Amiodarone for Preventing Atrial Fibrillation After Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting

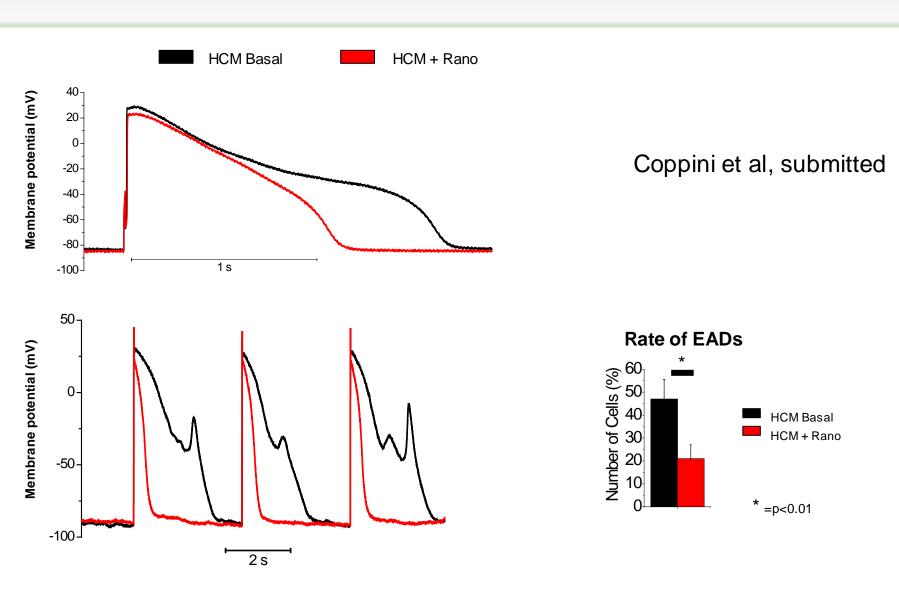
Ronald H. Miles, MD<sup>a</sup>, Rod Passman, MD, MSCE<sup>b</sup>, and David K. Murdock, MD, MS<sup>a,\*</sup>

Characteristic	Amiodarone	Ranolazine	p Value
Postoperative atrial fibrillation	26.5%	17.5%	0.035
Heart block	0%	0%	1.0
Stroke or transient ischemic attack	0%	0.5%	0.87
Renal failure with dialysis	1.1%	0.9%	0.88
Prolonged ventilation	6.0%	3.8%	0.28
30-Day readmission	10.4%	10.4%	1.0
30-Day Mortality	1.09%	0.94%	0.88

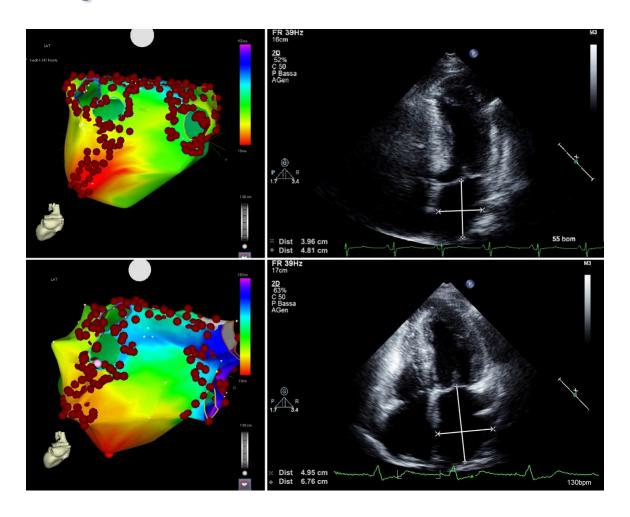




# Ranolazine reduces the rate of EADs in HCM cardiomyocytes

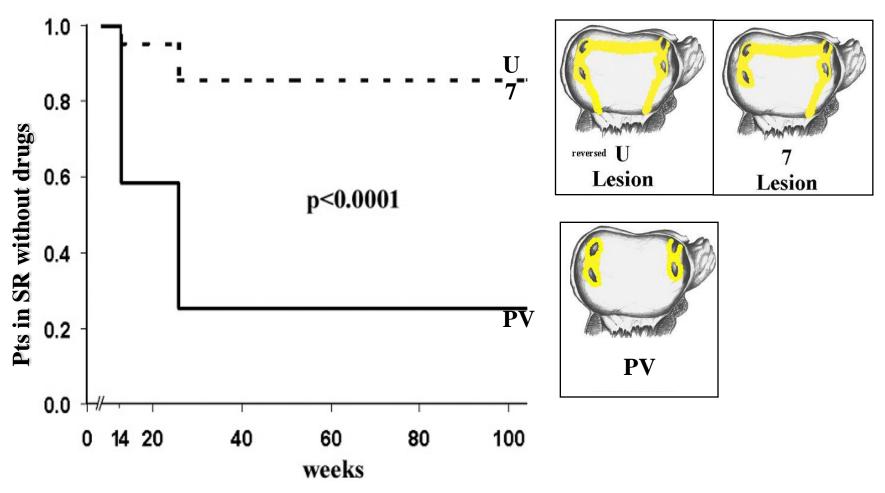


# Is Catheter Ablation of AF a Viable Option for HCM Patients?





#### Chronic AF and Valvular Heart Disease



Gaita, J Am Coll Cardiol 2000;36:159.

Gaita et al. Circulation 2005. 18;111:136







Efficacy of catheter ablation for atrial fibrillation in hypertrophic cardiomyopathy: impact of age, atrial remodelling, and disease progression

DiDonna et al, Europace 2010

### **Patients**

61 HCM pts, mean age 54±12 years, AF-related symptoms refractory to medical treatment

Paroxysmal 35 (57%)

▶ Persistent 15 (25%)

Permanent 11 (18%)

Left atrium (AP diameter) 51±6 mm

Max. LV thickness (mm) 20±4 mm

LV outflow gradient ≤30 mmHg 12 (19%)



Efficacy of catheter ablation for atrial fibrillation in hypertrophic cardiomyopathy: impact of age, atrial remodelling, and disease progression

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### Results

- ✓ Mean F-up 29±16 months
- ✓ Final success rate 41/61 pts (67%)

Paroxysmal AF 71%

Persistent AF 73%

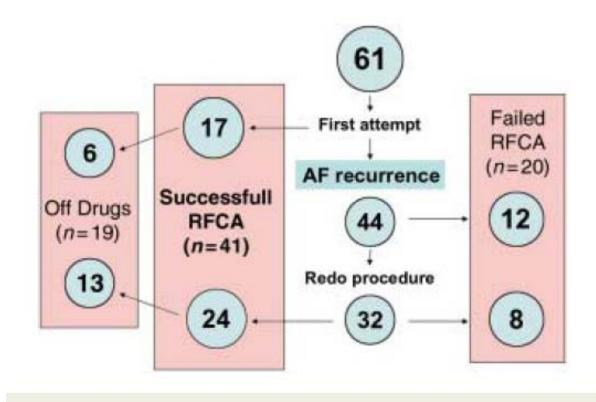
Permanent AF 46%

✓ Major complications: none





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65% in RS 31% off AA

52% Redo

33% Failed

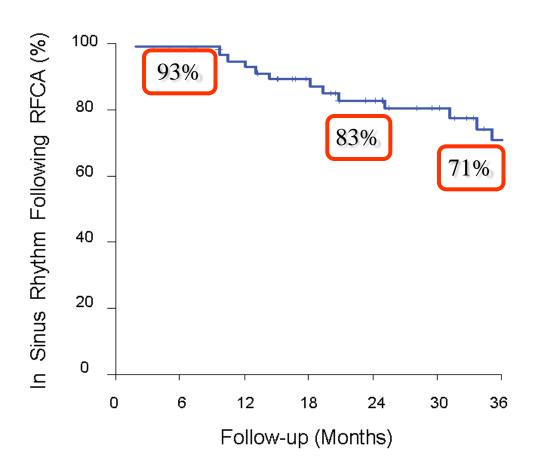






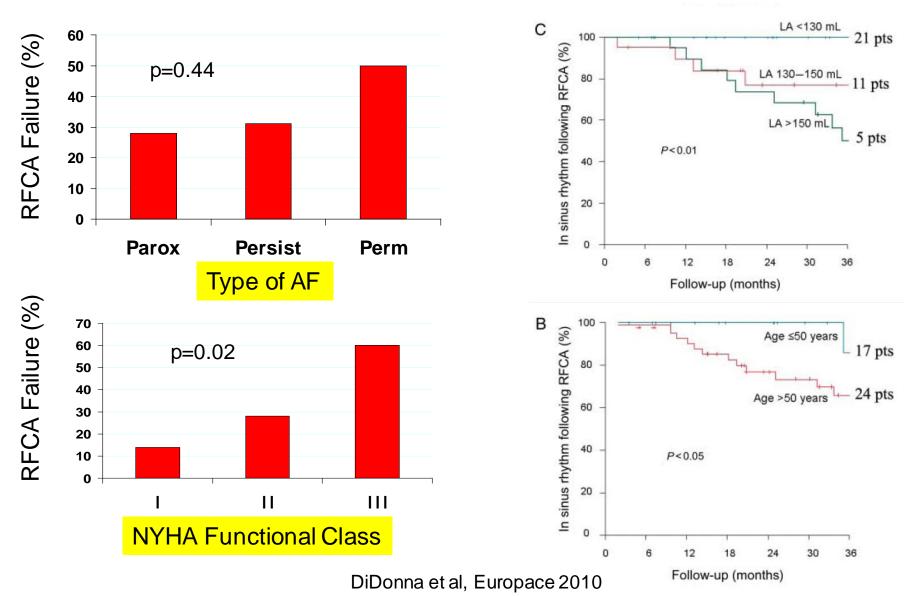
### Overall success rate at 1, 2 and 3 Years of F-up

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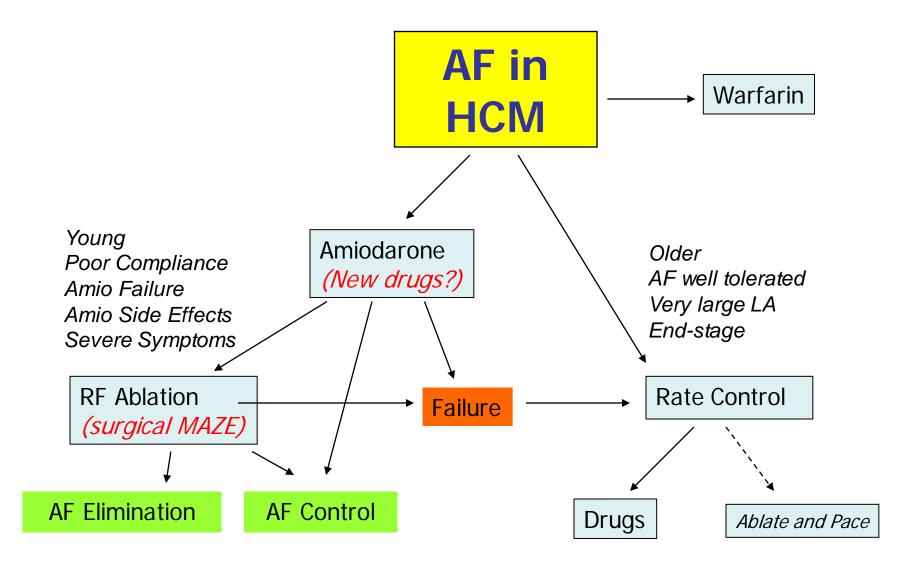
### **Predictors of Failure**















### THANK YOU





