## Calling for Nominations - By Oct. 30

## BENTDAHL DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Recognizes contributions to MHIF and accomplishments as an **outstanding leader**, **mentor**, **philanthropist**, **educator or researcher**.

2019 recipient: Dr. Elizabeth Grey





## ROBERT G. HAUSER LEADERSHIP AWARD

Recognizes contribution to CVD prevention / treatment, advocacy for patients and profession, visionary leadership and a strong commitment to excellence.

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- For What award you want them considered.
- How they meet the criteria and Why you are nominating them.





## **MHIF FEATURED STUDY:**

## **Proact Xa**

## **COMING SOON!**

## EPIC message: Research MHIF Patient Referral

## **CONDITION:**

Anticoagulation therapy with On-X aortic valve

### PI:

Benjamin Sun, MD

## **RESEARCH CONTACT:**

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## **DESCRIPTION:**

A prospective, randomized, active (warfarin) controlled, parallel-arm clinical trial to determine if patients with an On-X aortic valve can be maintained safely and effectively on the factor Xa inhibitor apixaban.

There is an unmet need for an alternative anticoagulant drug (such as apixaban) to use instead of warfarin in participants with an aortic mechanical prosthetic valve. Patients will be randomized 1:1 apixaban versus warfarin 90 days or greater s/p surgery.

## **CRITERIA LIST/ QUALIFICATIONS:**

## Inclusion:

- 1. 18 years or greater
- 2. Able to receive warfarin with a target INR of 2.0-3.0
- 3. Implantation of an On-X mechanical valve in the aortic position at least 90 days prior to enrollment

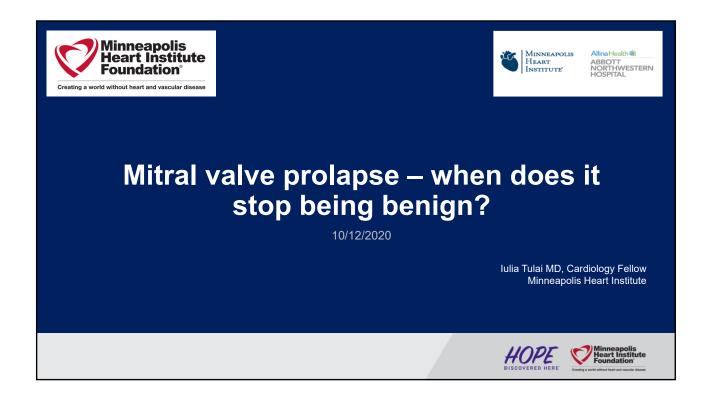
## **Exclusion:**

- 1. Mechanical valve in any other position other than aortic
- 2. Any cardiac surgery 90 days prior to enrollment
- 3. Need to be on aspirin > 100 mg daily or a P2Y12 inhibitor
- 4. On dialysis or creatinine clearance of < 25 mL/min
- 5. Stroke within 3 months of enrollment

Providing an alternative to warfarin may lead younger patients to choose a mechanical valve with greater durability and better clinical outcomes.

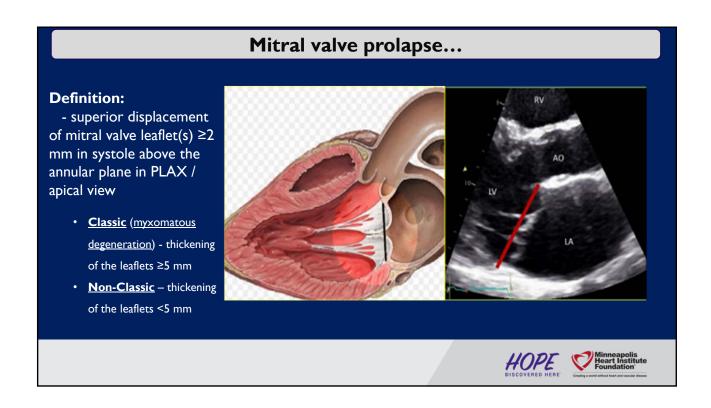


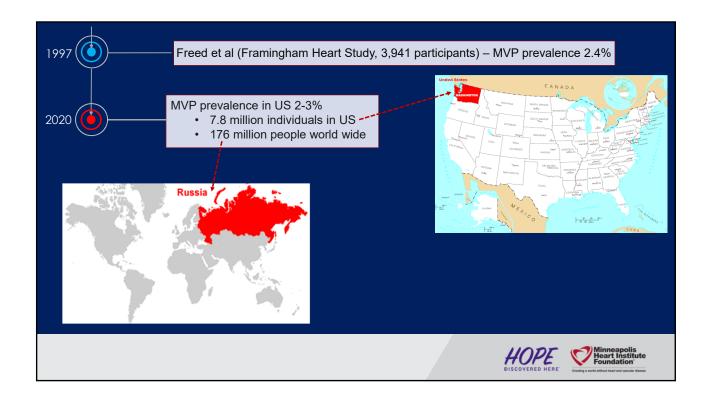


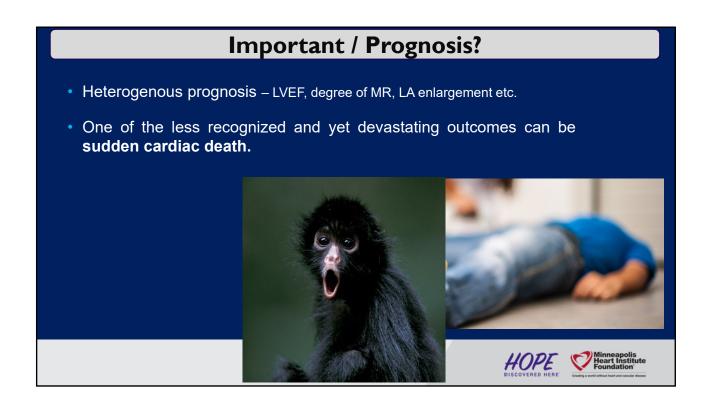


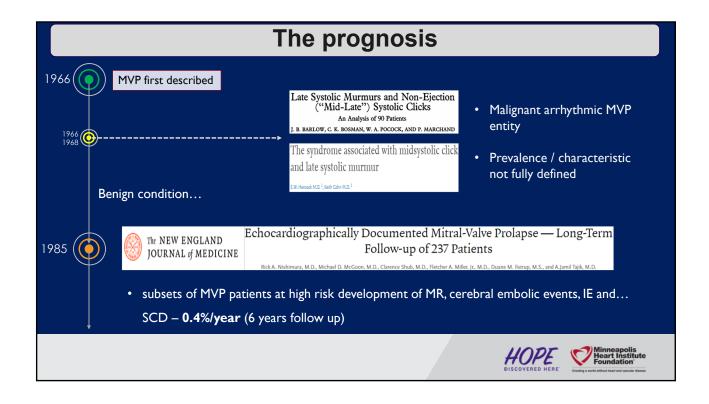


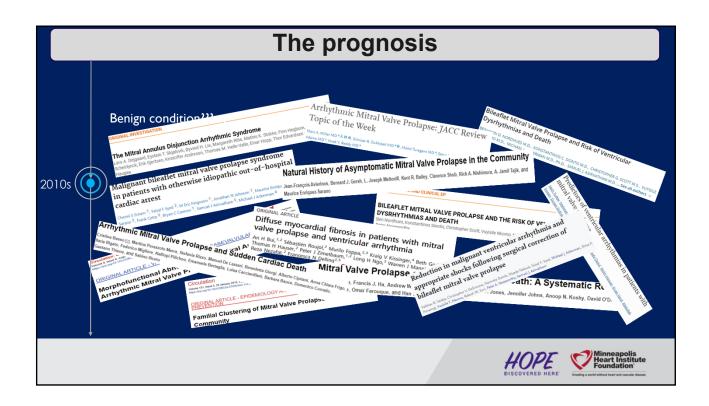












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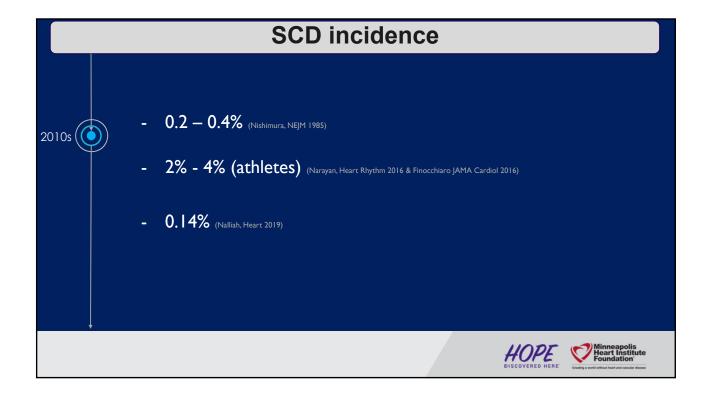


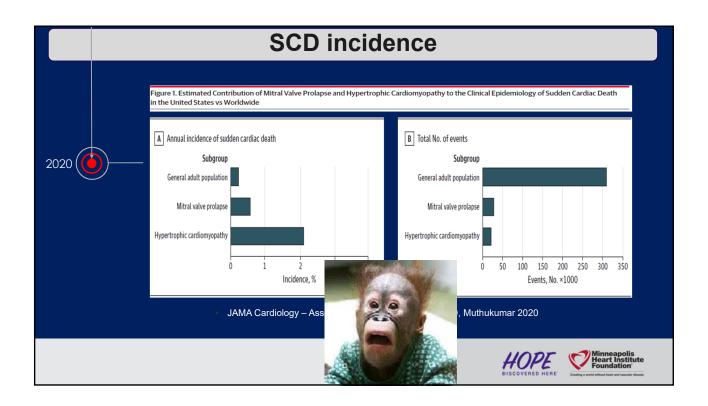


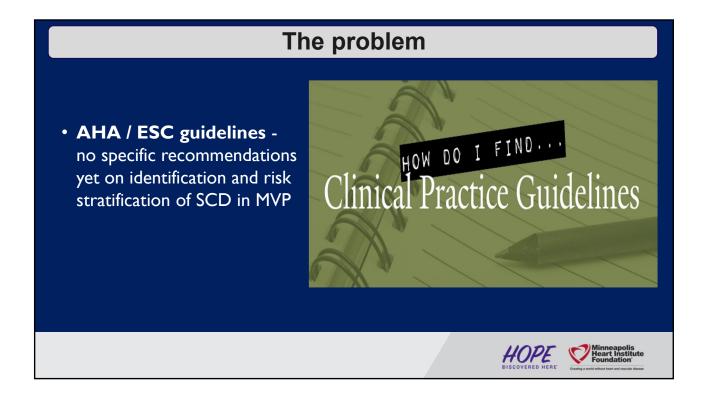
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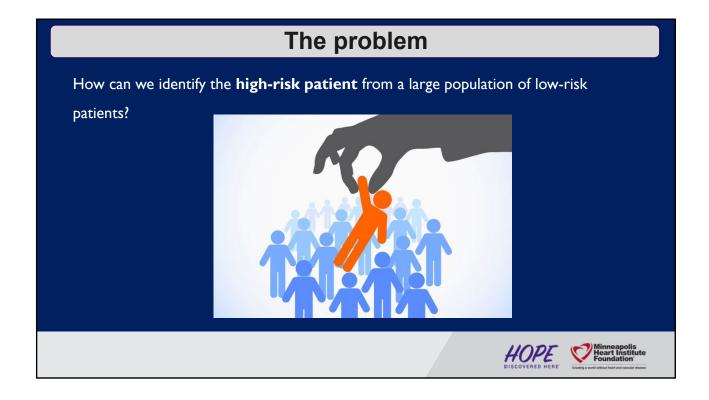


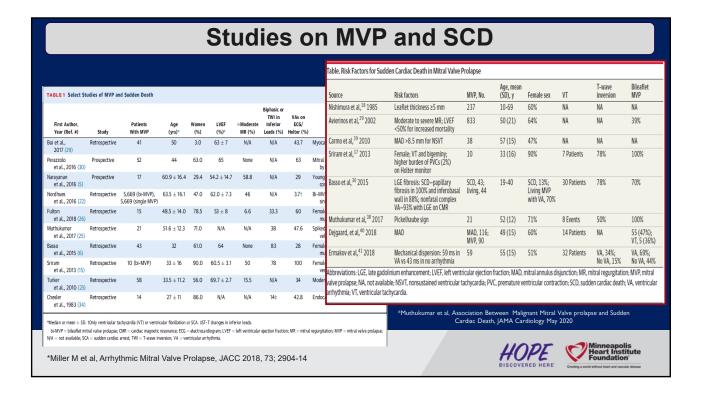


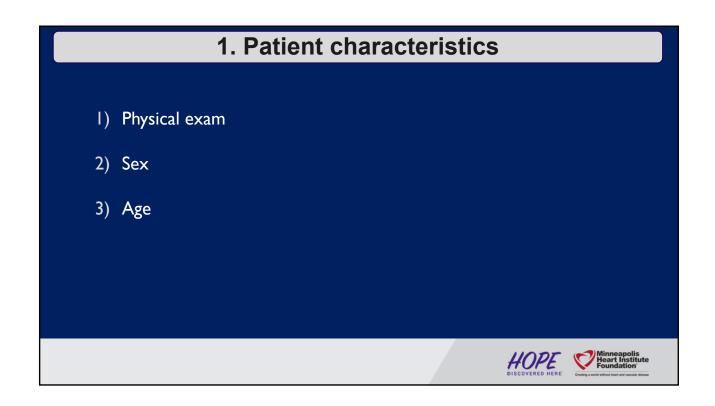




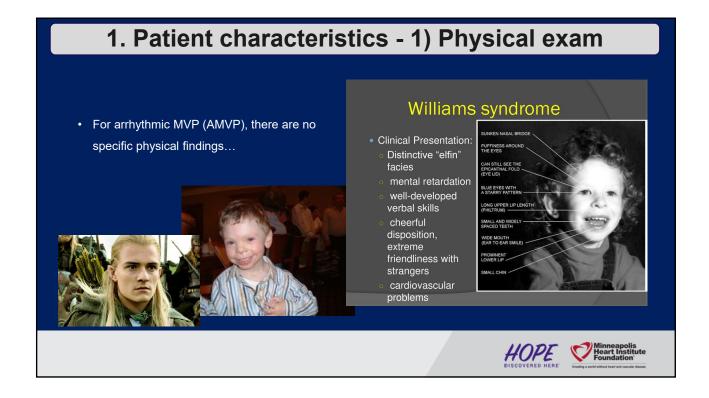


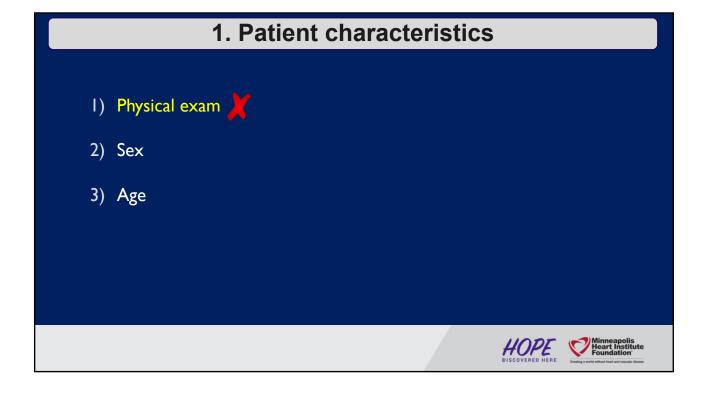






## 1. Patient characteristics I) Physical exam 2) Sex 3) Age





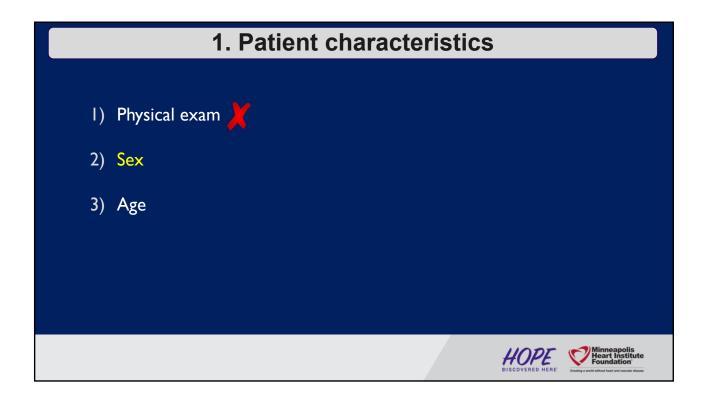
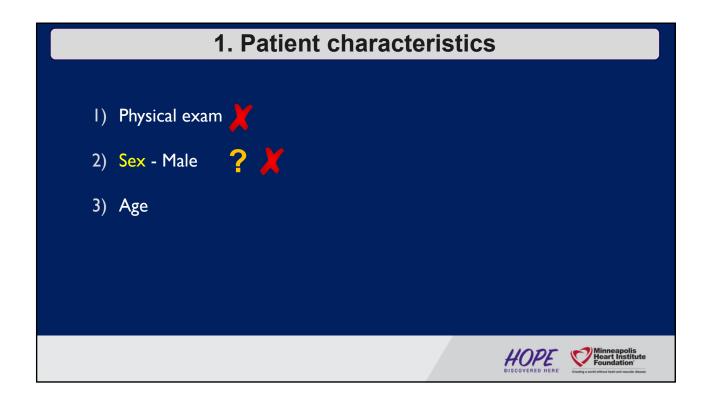


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TABLE 1 Select Studies of MVP and Sudden Death									
First Author, Year (Ref. #)	Study	Patients With MVP	Age (yrs)*	Women (%)	LVEF (%)*	≥Moderate MR (%)	Biphasic or TWI in Inferior Leads (%)	VAs on ECG/ Holter (%)	Comments
Bui et al., 2017 (29)	Retrospective	41	50	3.0	63 ± 7	N/A	N/A	43.7	Myocardial fibrosis by CMR
Perazzolo et al., 2016 (30)	Prospective	52	44	63.0	65	None	N/A	63	Mitral annular disjunction by CMR, mid-systolic click
Narayanan et al., 2016 (5)	Prospective	17	60.9 ± 16.4	29.4	54.2 ± 14.7	58.8	N/A	29	Young age, fewer comorbid conditions
Nordhues et al., 2016 (22)	Retrospective	5,669 (bi-MVP), 5,669 (single MVP)	63.5 ± 16.1	47.0	62.0 ± 7.3	46	N/A	3.7†	Bi-MVP more VT than with single-leaflet MVP
Fulton et al., 2018 (26)	Retrospective	15	48.5 ± 14	78.5	53 ± 8	6.6	33.3	60	Female, bi-MVP and papillary muscle fibrosis by CMR
Muthukumar et al., 2017 (25)	Retrospective	21	51.6 ± 12	71.0	N/A	N/A	38	47.6	Spiked systolic lateral mitral annular velocities—Pickelhaube sign
Basso et al., 2015 (6)	Retrospective	43	32	61.0	64	None	83	28	Female and papillary muscles LGE on CMR
Sriram et al., 2013 (15)	Retrospective	10 (bi-MVP)	33 ± 16	90.0	60.5 ± 3.1	50	78	100	Female, inferolateral TWI, complex ventricular ectopy, and bi-MVP
Turker et al., 2010 (23)	Retrospective	58	33.5 ± 11	56.0	69.7 ± 2.7	15.5	N/A	34	Moderate-severe MR
Chesler et al., 1983 (34)	Retrospective	14	27 ± 11	86.0	N/A	N/A	14‡	42.8	Endocardial friction lesions

TABLE 1 Baseline Characteristics				
	Overall Population (N = 595)	No Arrhythmia (n = 338)	Ventricular Arrhythmia (n = 257)	p Value
Clinical characteristics				
Age, yrs	65 ± 16	63 ± 17	68 ± 15	0.0001
Female	278 (47)	178 (53)	100 (39)	0.0008
BMI, kg/m <sup>2</sup>	25 ± 5	$25\pm5$	$26\pm5$	0.0008
HR, beats/min	$68\pm14$	67 ± 14	68 ± 15	0.40
Atrial fibrillation	107 (18)	53 (16)	54 (21)	0.09
Hypertension	227 (38)	119 (35)	108 (42)	0.09
Diabetes	43 (7)	23 (7)	20 (8)	0.60
Dyslipidemia	242 (41)	133 (39)	109 (42)	0.50
CAD history	135 (23)	65 (19)	70 (27)	0.02
Congestive heart failure history	46 (8)	19 (6)	27 (11)	0.03
Charlson Index	$0.84 \pm 1.10$	$0.78\pm1.06$	$0.92 \pm 1.14$	0.10
Symptoms				
Syncope history	66 (11)	43 (13)	23 (9)	0.10
Chest pain	110 (18)	69 (20)	41 (16)	0.20
Palpitation	213 (36)	122 (36)	91 (35)	0.90
Dyspnea	210 (35)	114 (34)	96 (37)	0.40
Edema	53 (9)	28 (8)	25 (10)	0.50



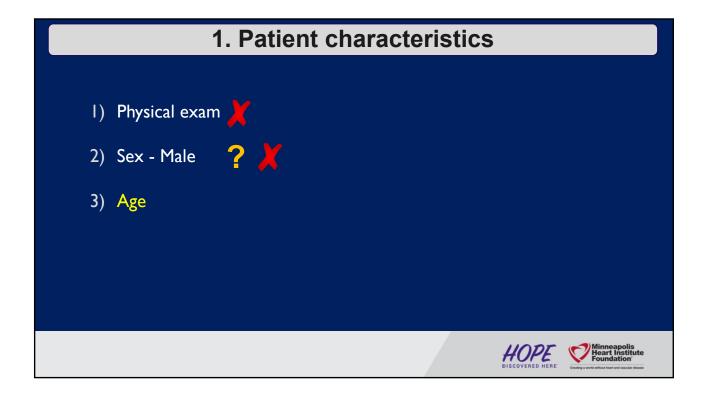
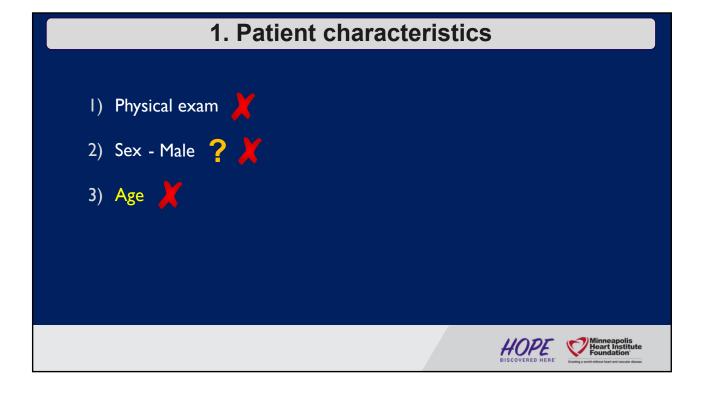
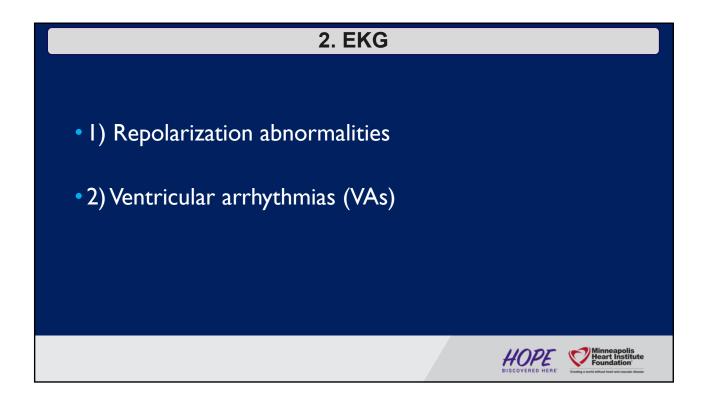
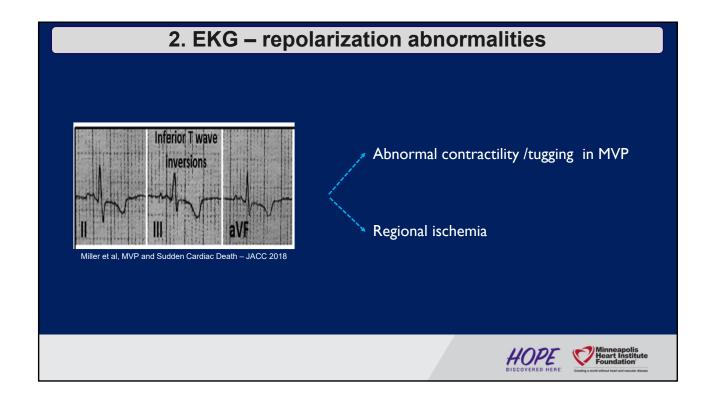


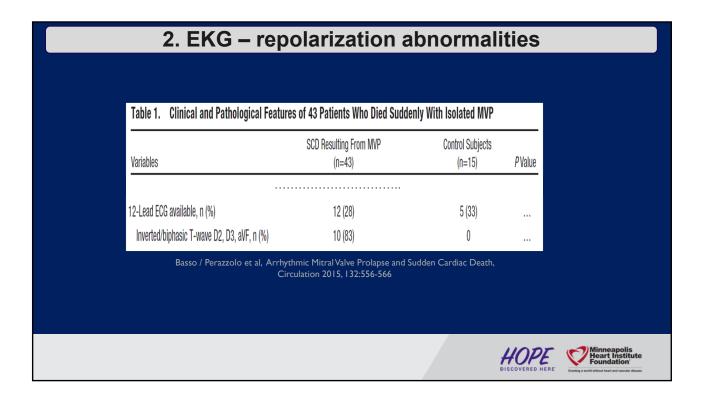
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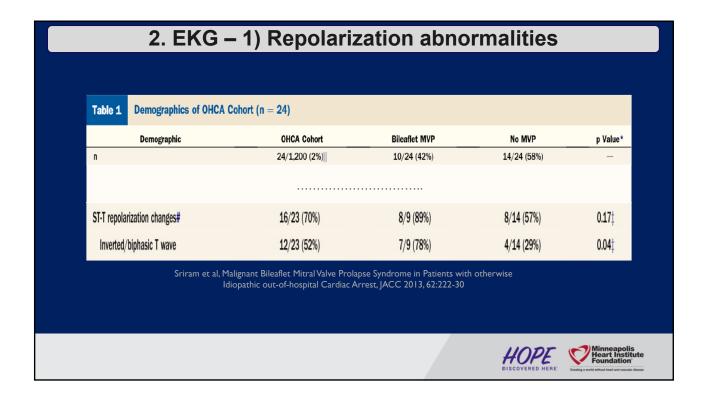


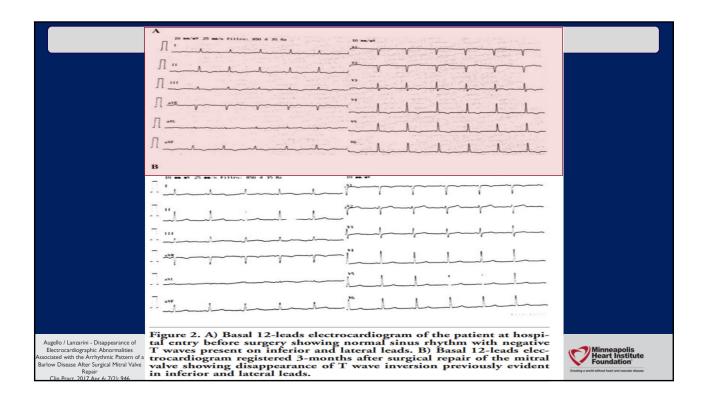


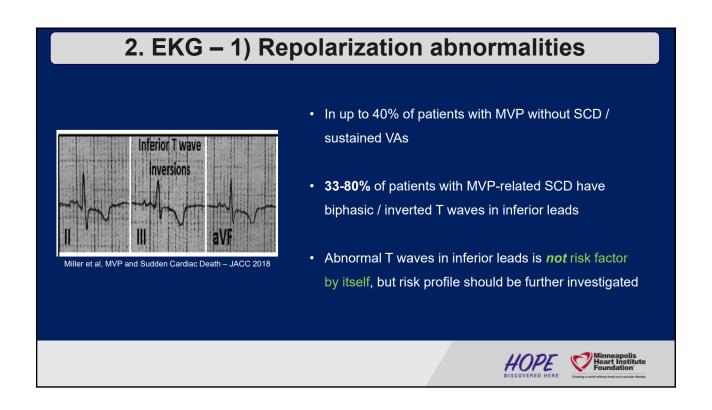
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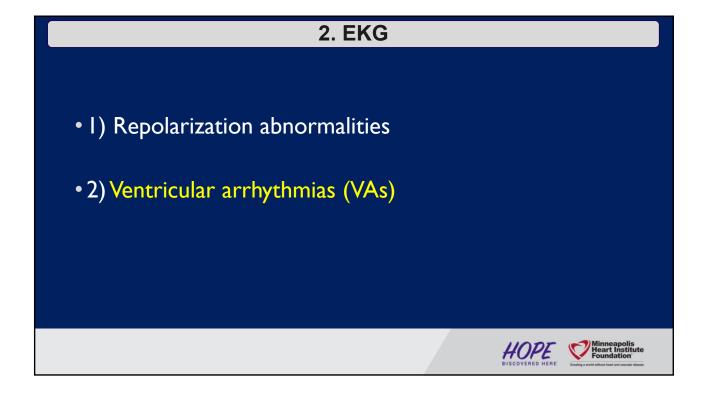


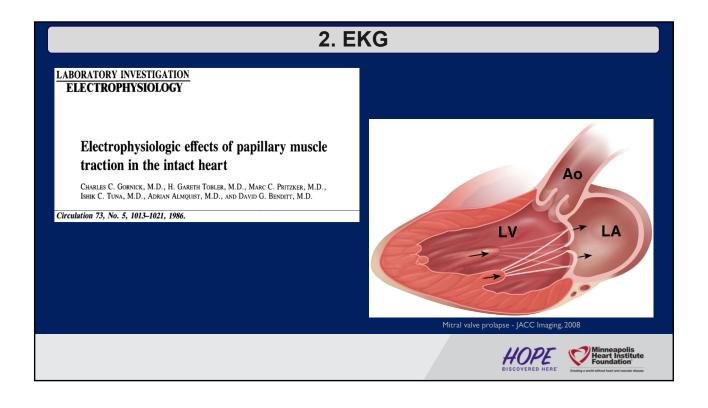


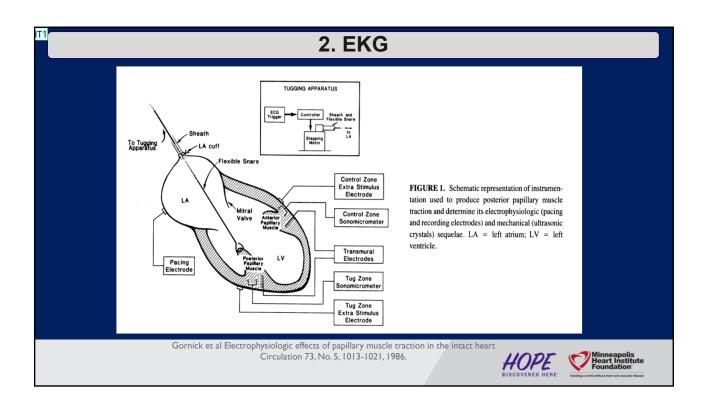




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**IT1** Iulia-Maria Tulai, 10/10/2020

## 2. EKG

• "In normal myocardium in situ, regional abnormal wall motion may be associated with alterations of local ventricular activation and refractoriness, factors that in the diseased heart may lead to increased susceptibility to arrhythmias"

Electrophysiologic effects of papillary muscle traction in the intact heart

Charles C. Gornick, M.D., H. Gareth Tobler, M.D., Marc C. Pritzker, M.D., Ishik C. Tuna, M.D., Adrian Almquist, M.D., and David G. Benditt, M.D.

Circulation 73, No. 5, 1013-1021, 1986.



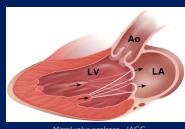


## 2. EKG - 2) VAs

- PVCs Common in MVP, with or without SCD (~40-50%)
- Frequently from papillary muscle region and outflow tract
  - Regional stretch? Abnormal Ca++ handling?
- PVCs (isolated / complex)
  - Not enough by themselves to deem high risk
  - Consider additional risk stratification



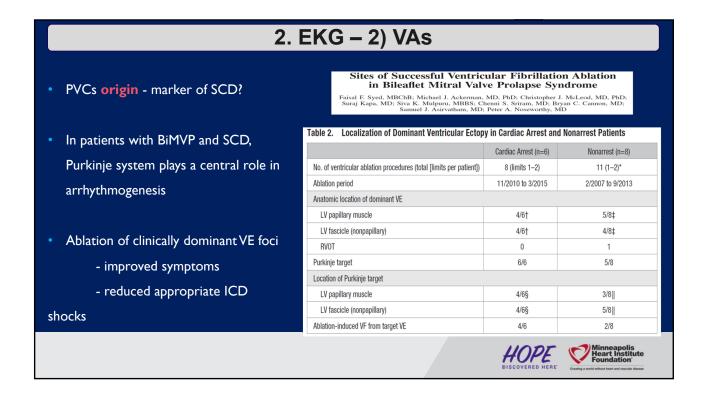
Miller et al, MVP and Sudden Cardiac Death – JACC 2018

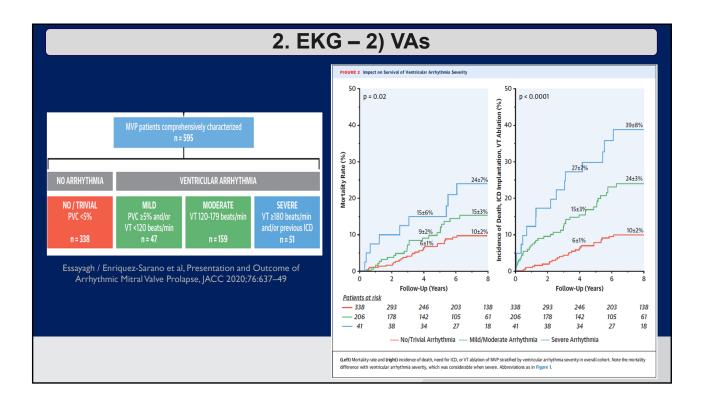


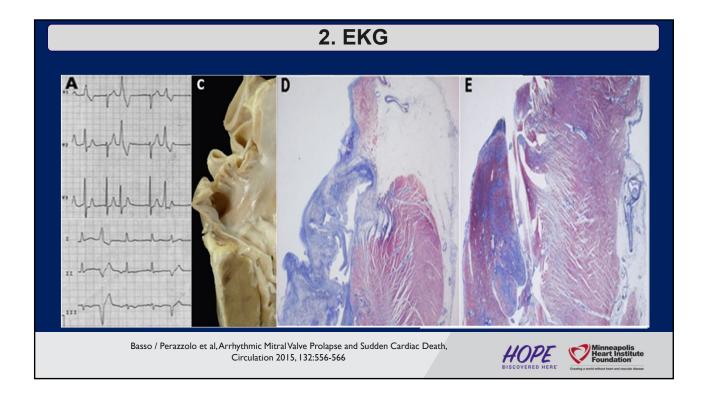
Mitral valve prolapse - JACC

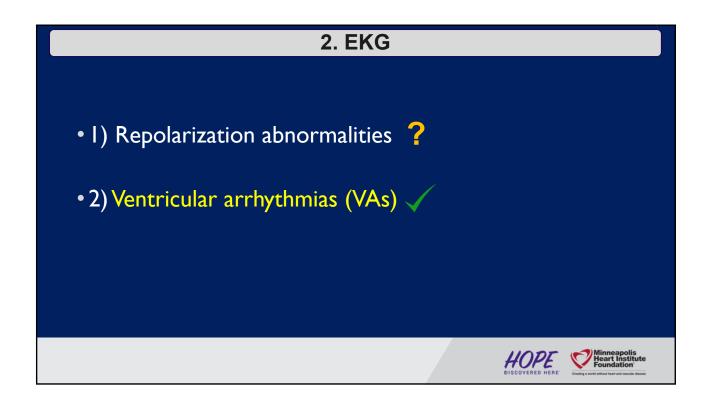












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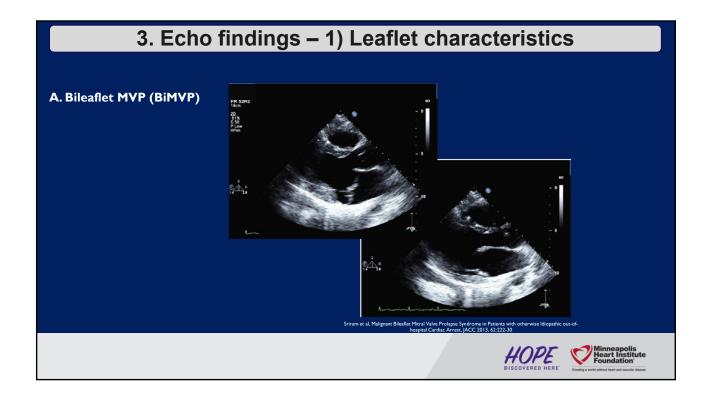


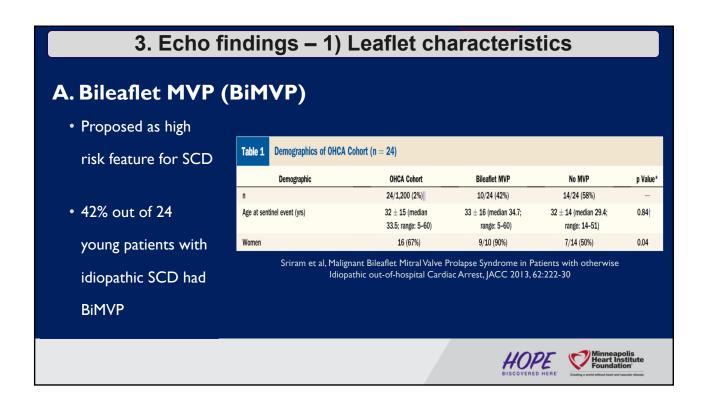
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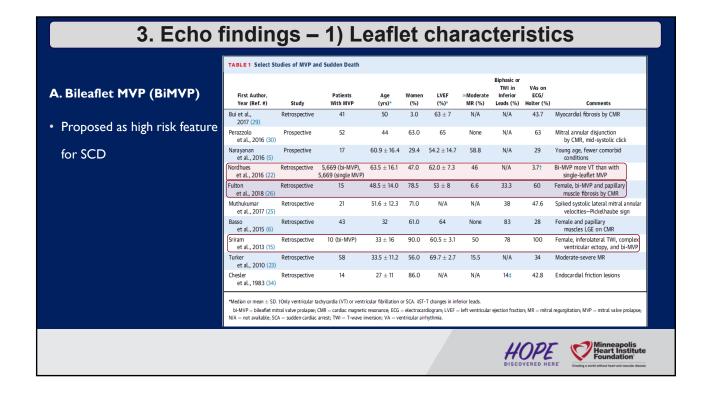
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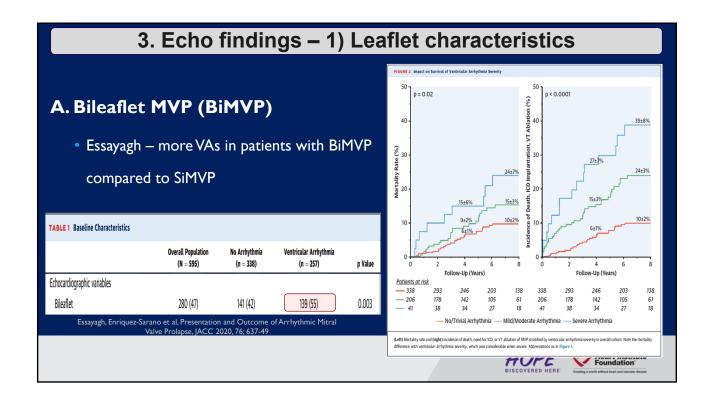


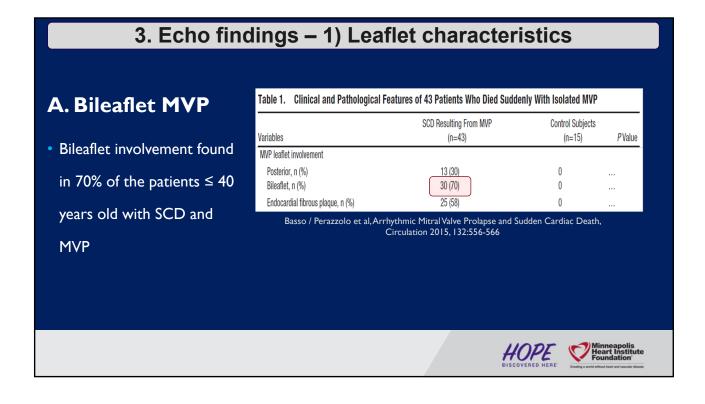


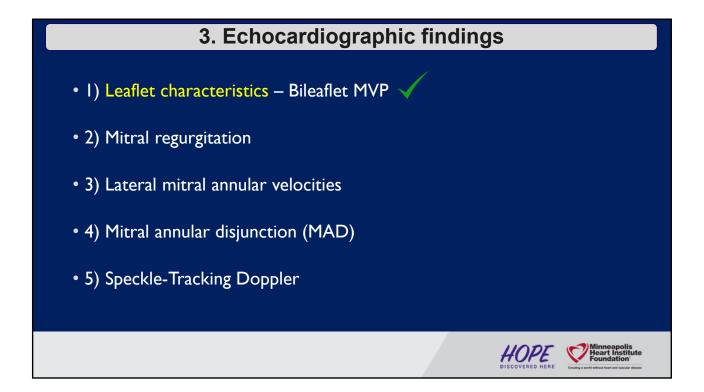












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## 3. Echo findings - 2) MR

## **Moderate-Severe MR**

- Until recently thought to be an independent predictor of SCD (relative risk 8.4) (Turker, 2010)
- Conclusion derived from studies showing MR as independent predictor of complex VAs, not mortality

### Predictors of ventricular arrhythmias in patients with mitral valve prolapse.

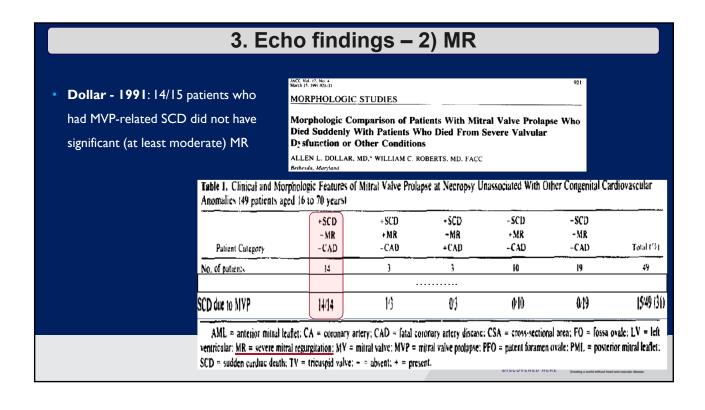
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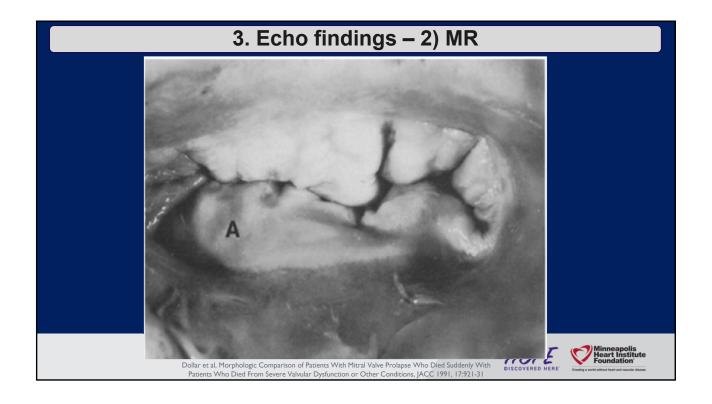
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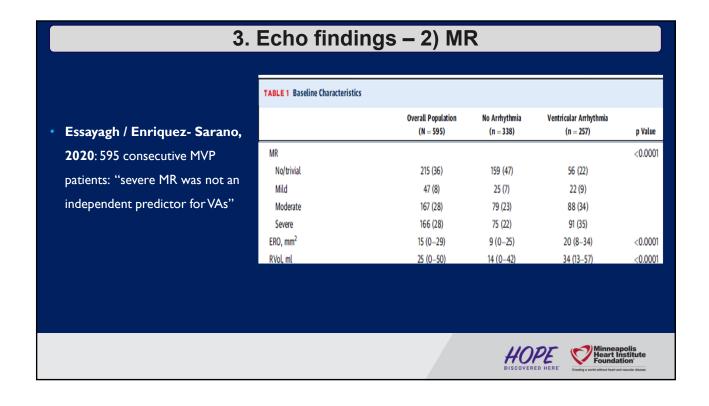
Arrhythmias have been reported to occur frequently in symptomatic patients with mitral valve prolapse (MVP). The mechanisms causing ventricular arrhythmias in patients with MVP have not been fully investigated. The purpose of this study was to determine the clinical, echocardiographic and heart rate variability parameters, and plasma concentrations of electrolytes and inflammatory markers in predicting ventricular arrhythmias in patients with MVP. A total of 58 consecutive patients with MVP were included in this study. We performed electrocardiography, echocardiography, holter analysis, routine biochemical tests including plasma concentrations of electrolytes and inflammatory markers, and evaluated the clinical characteristics. Ventricular arrhythmia defined as occurrence of any of the followings: ventricular premature contractions (VPCs), VPC couplets, and ventricular tachycardia documented by holter analysis, continuous monitoring or by electrocardiography. Twenty patients (34%) had ventricular arrhythmias, and 38 (66%) patients had no ventricular arrhythmias. Seventeen patients had VPC, 2 patients had VPC couplets and 1 patient had ventricular tachycardia. Univariable predictors of ventricular arrhythmias included isovolumetric relaxation time and the occurrence of moderate to severe mitral regurgitation. Multivariable logistic regression analysis showed that occurrence of moderate to severe mitral regurgitation was the only independent predictor of ventricular arrhythmias (relative risk: 8.42, 95% confidence interval: 1.49-47.64, p = 0.01). Present study showed that the only independent predictor of ventricular arrhythmias in patients with MVP is the occurrence of moderate to severe mitral regurgitation.

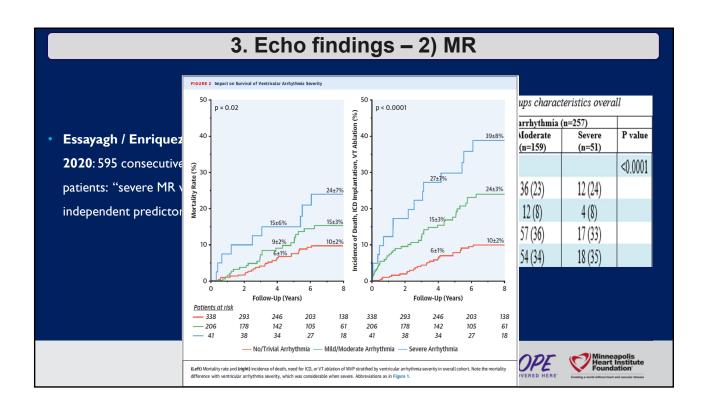




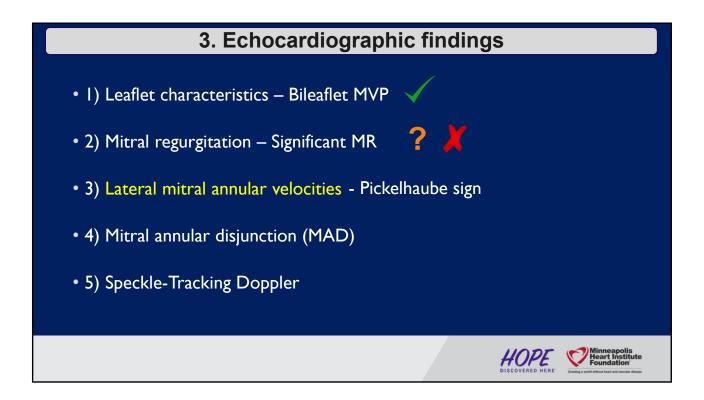




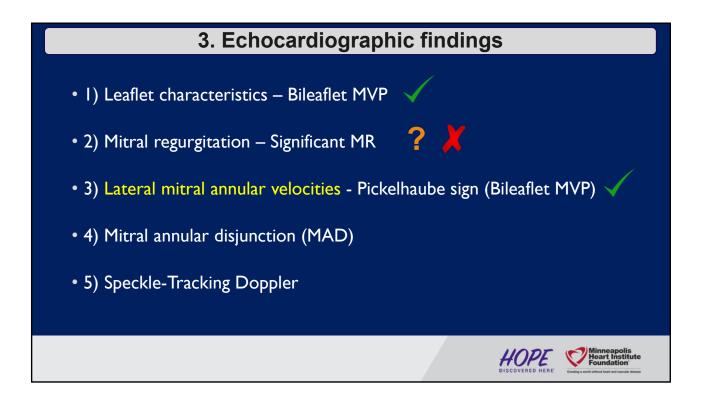




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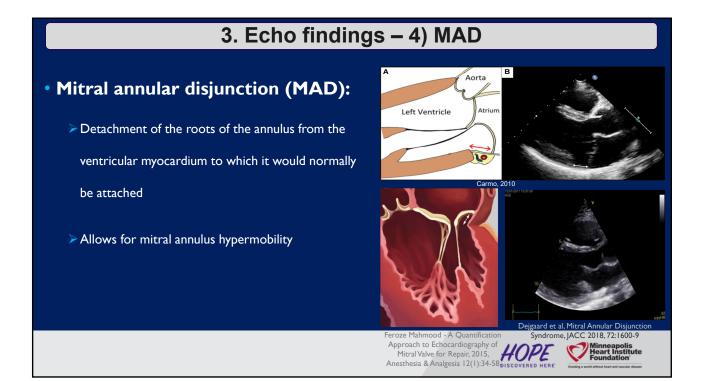
# 3. Echo findings — Pickelhaube sign Pickelhaube sign: peak systolic mitral annulus velocity ≥16 cm/sec Muthukumar et al: - BiMVP Patients with this criteria were more likely to have malignant VAs (67% vs 22%, p<0.08) LGE by MRI was only present in the group with + Pickelhaube sign (33%) Novel echocardiographic risk marker for malignant MVP syndrome - BiMVP



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## 3. Echo findings - 4) MAD

RESEARCH

Open Acces

Mitral annular disjunction in myxomatous mitral valve disease: a relevant abnormality recognizable by transthoracic echocardiography

caro carrio , Maria / Midrace , carios Aguar , Ital Hodrigaes , Taquel Godvela , Jose A Silva

## Carmo, 2010:

- Severity of MAD is associated with VA burden
- A disjunction greater than 8.5 mm was a reasonable criterion to predict the risk of NSVT
  - Sensitivity of 67%
  - Specificity of 83%
  - Odds ratio = 10; 95% CI: 1.28 -78.1



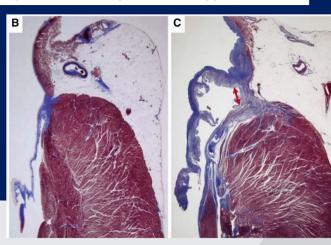


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## Morphofunctional Abnormalities of Mitral Annulus and Arrhythmic Mitral Valve Prolapse

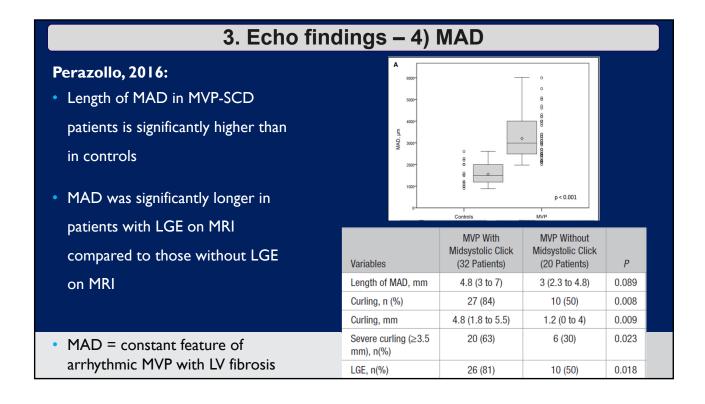
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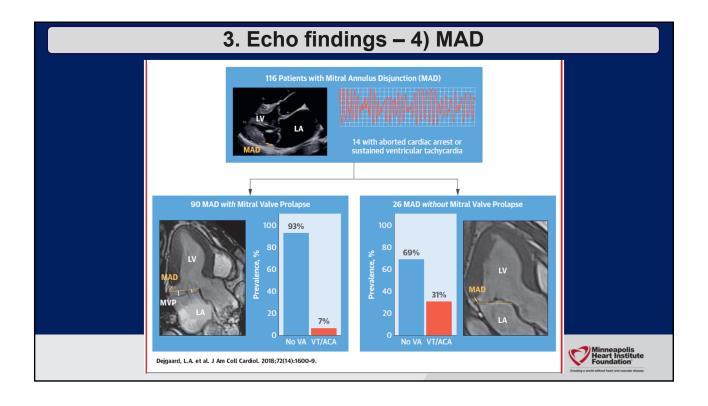
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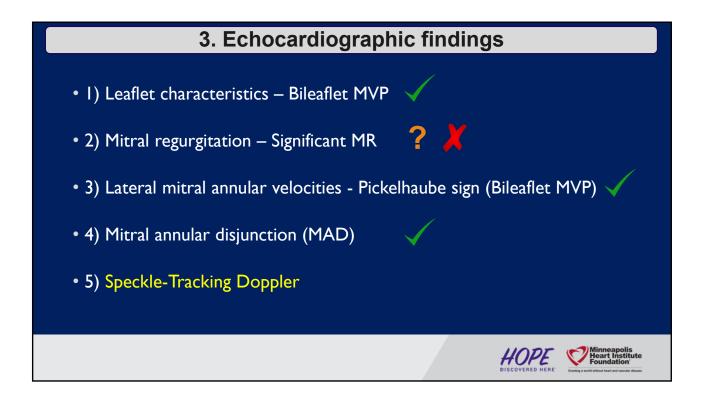


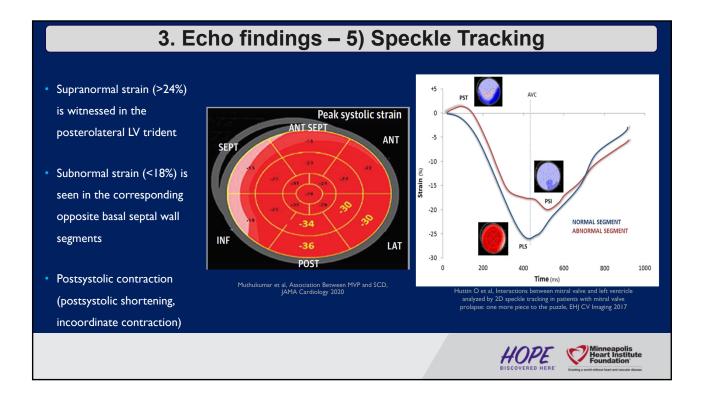


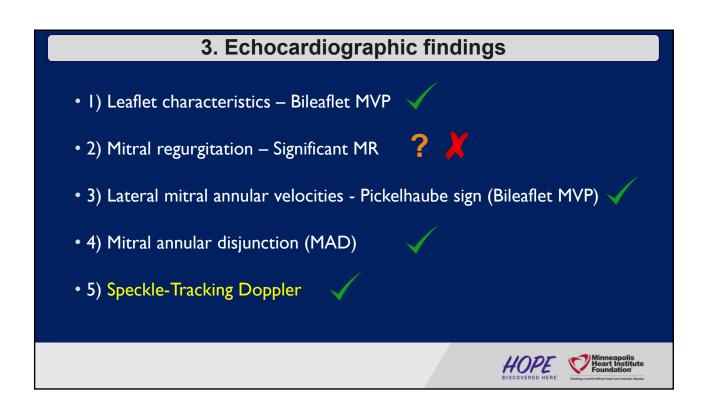




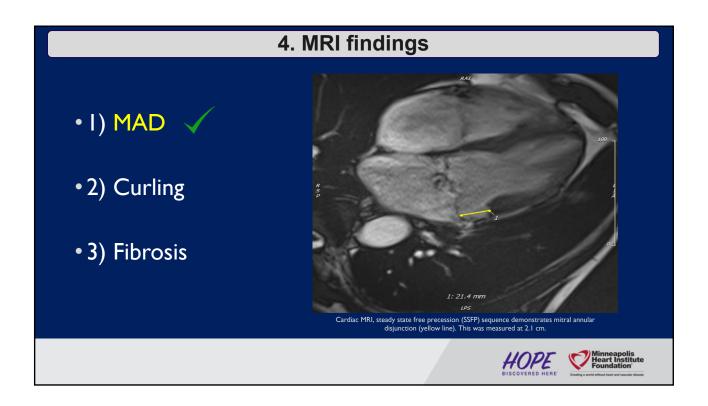
### 3. Echocardiographic findings 1) Leaflet characteristics – Bileaflet MVP 2) Mitral regurgitation – Significant MR 3) Lateral mitral annular velocities - Pickelhaube sign (Bileaflet MVP) 4) Mitral annular disjunction (MAD) 5) Speckle-Tracking Doppler



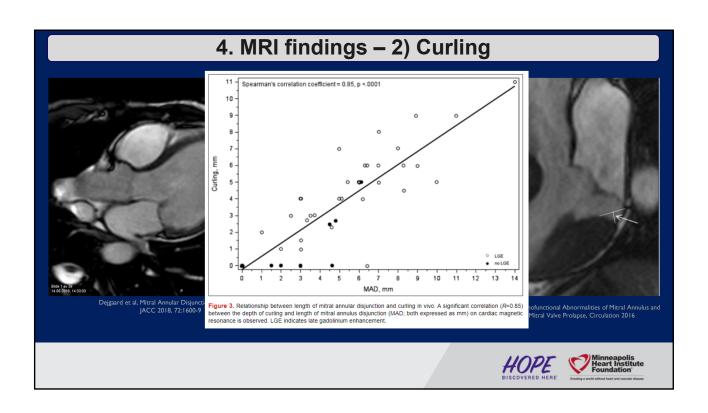


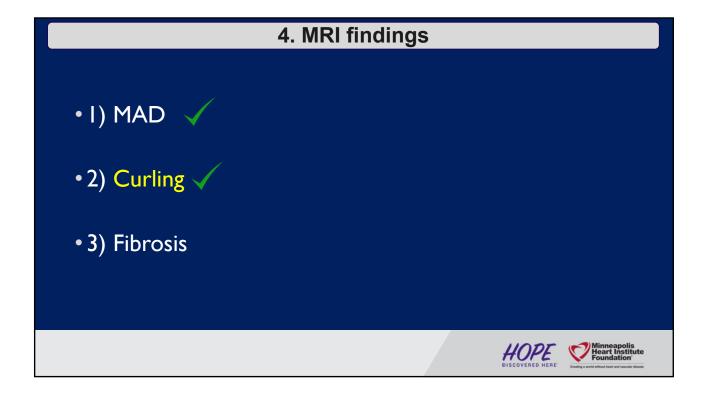


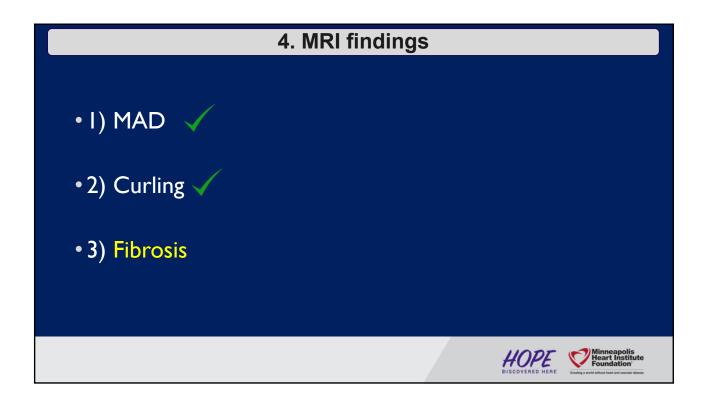
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### 4. MRI findings - 3) Fibrosis Table 1. Clinical and Pathological Features of 43 Patients Who Died Suddenly With Isolated MVP Basso, 2015 - Papillary muscle SCD Resulting From MVP Control Subjects P Value (n=43)(n=15)and / or inferobasal wall fibrosis: MVP leaflet involvement Posterior, n (%) 13 (30) In almost 100% of patients with Bileaflet, n (%) 30 (70) 0 MVP-related SCD Endocardial fibrous plaque, n (%) 25 (58) Histology features, n (%) LV scar Correlated with ventricular PM, n (%) 43 (100) 0 Inferobasal wall arrhythmias origin. 38 (88) 0 Fibrous tissue /myocardium, % area PM, mean±SD 30.5±10.7 6.3±1.6 < 0.0001 Structural hallmark of high SCD Inferobasal wall, mean±SD 33.1±7.6 6.4±1.4 < 0.0001 risk Cardiomyocytes diameter, mean±SD, µm 19.2±6.0 <0.0001 2-Lead ECG available, n (%) 12 (28) 5 (33) Inverted/biphasic T-wave D2, D3, aVF, n (%) 10 (83) 12 (28) VA morphology, n (%) RBBB 12 (100) LBBB

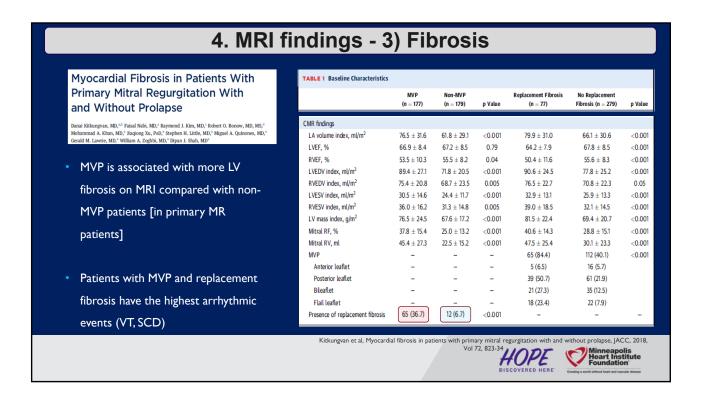
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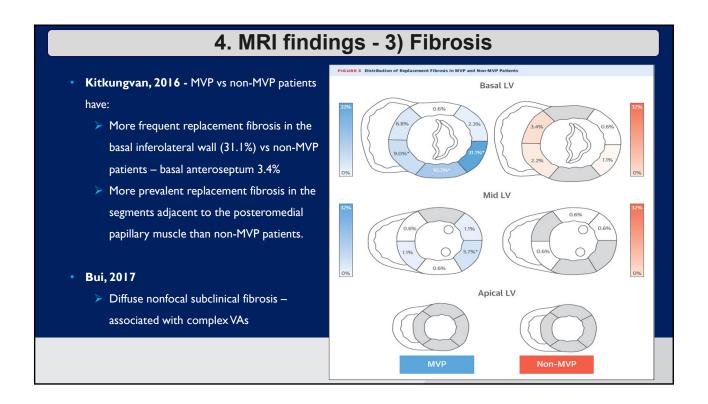
Letter by Sheppard et al Regarding Article, "Arrhythmic Mitral Valve Prolapse and Sudden Cardiac Death"

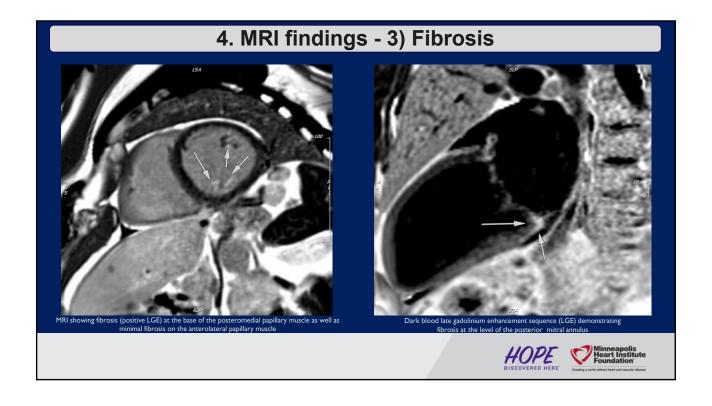
- Independent cohort of 3680 autopsies → 62 MVP (1.7%)
- LV fibrosis in 74% of cases
  - 1 or both of PMs predominantly postero-medial PM
  - Adjacent LV wall

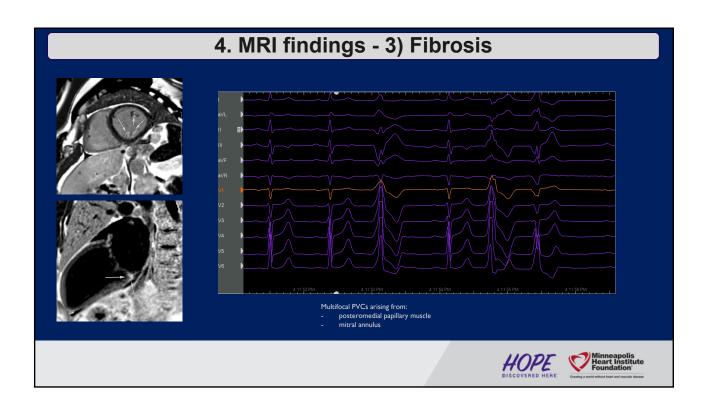


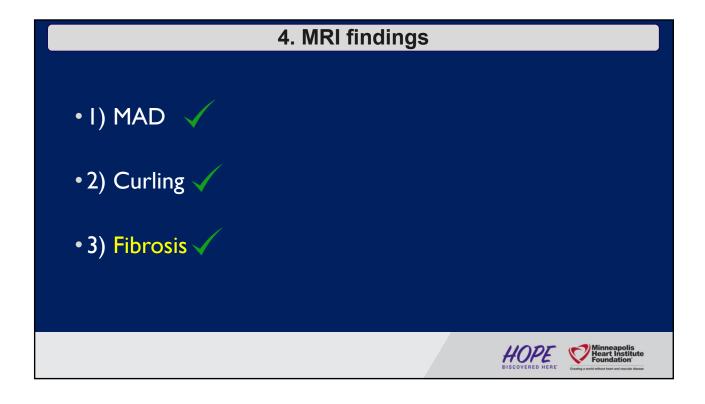




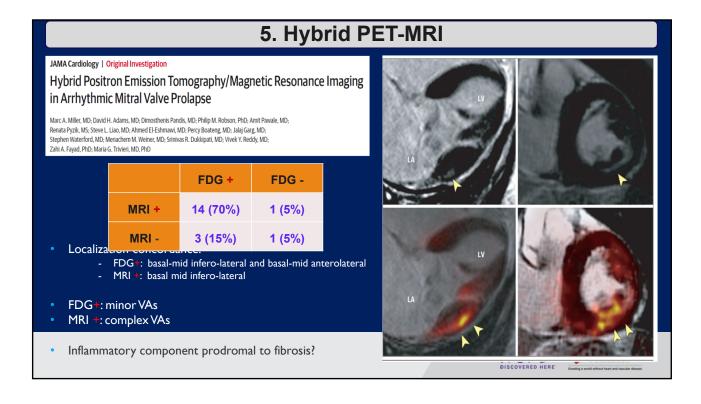


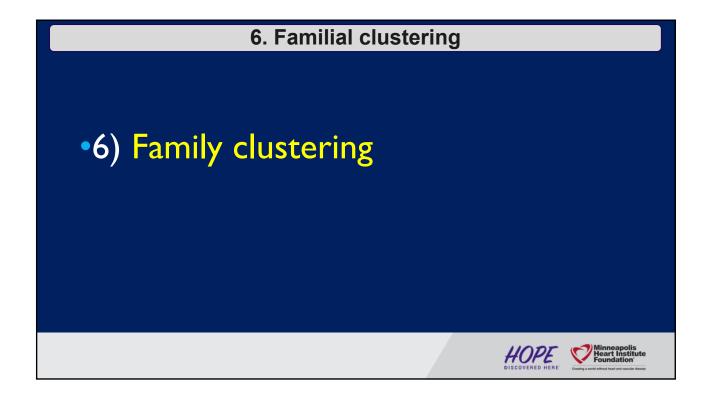




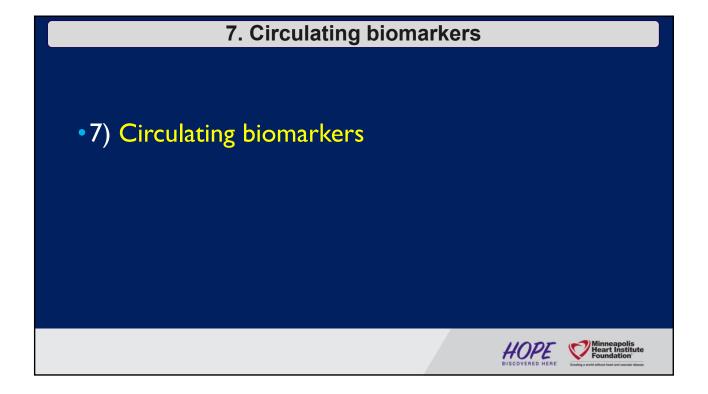


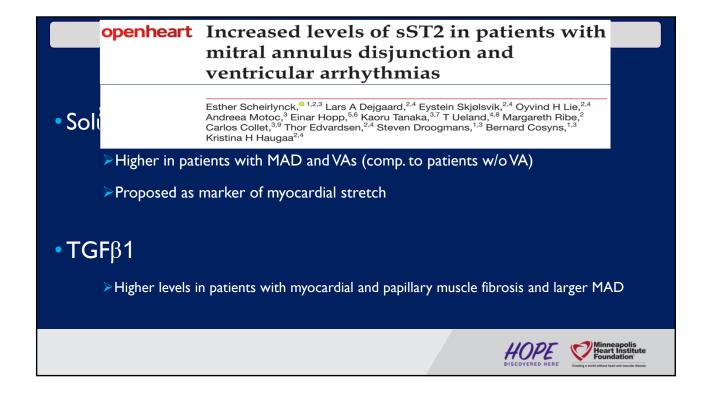


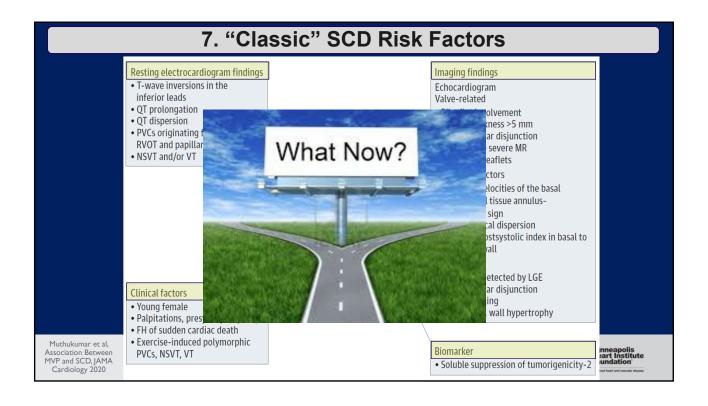


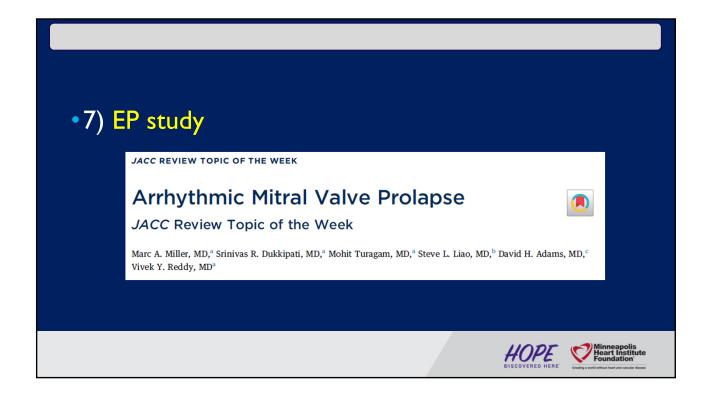


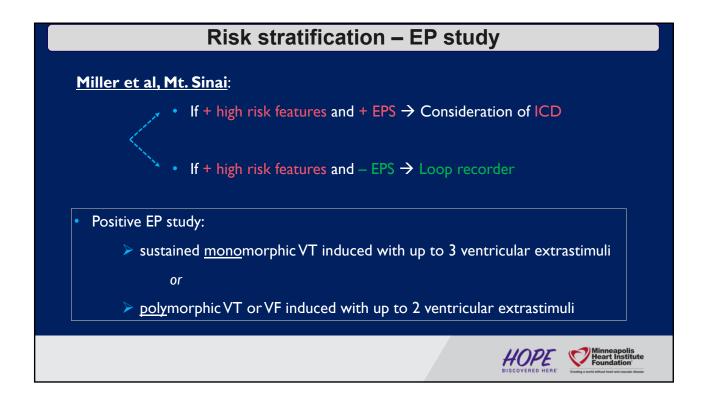
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### **Treatment**

- 1) Noninvasive / Medical management
- 2) Catheter based ablation
- 3) ICD
- 4) Mitral valve surgery





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- 1) Noninvasive / Medical management
- Avoid stimulants (caffeine alcohol,
- tobacco)
  - Beta-blockers
    - Calcium channel blockers
    - Anti-arrhythmic medication...

... improved survival ???



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### Treatment - 2) Catheter based ablation

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

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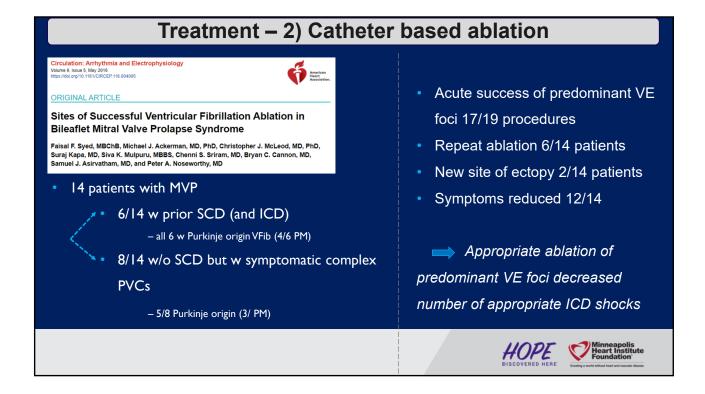
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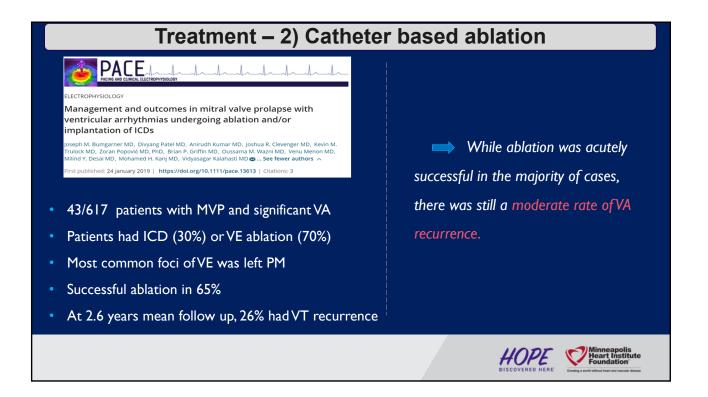
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- 25 patients with MVP
- PVCs mapped to papillary muscles
- 4/9 patients +LGE on MRI
- 76% had complete resolution of PVC with ablation
- 8% had improvement in PVC burden with ablation









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### Treatment - 4) Mitral valve surgery

Relatively limited data...







### Treatment - 4) Mitral valve surgery

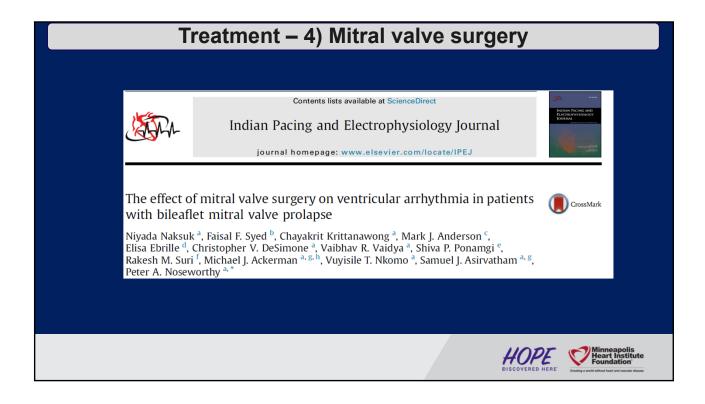
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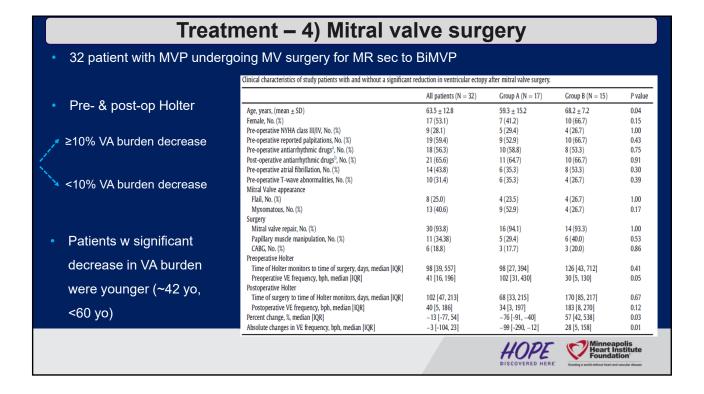
Reduction in Malignant Ventricular Arrhythmia and Appropriate Shocks Following Surgical Correction of Bileaflet Mitral Valve **Prolapse** 

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- 8 pts with BiMVP and ICD both pre- and post-MVR
- MVR reduced the number of appropriate ICD shocks

	Preoperative					Postoperative			Mortality
	VT	VF	Appropriate shock	Inappropriate shock	VT	VF	Appropriate shock	Inappropriate shock	
1	0	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	Alive
2	1	2	4	0	2	0	2	1	Alive
3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	Alive
4		4	4	1	0	0	0	0	Alive
	(VT/VF)								
5	7	0	7	0	0	1	2	1	Alive





- There are some easily identifiable high risk SCD features in patients with MVP
  - Bileaflet MVP
- MAD
- Purkinje-origin Vas
- Speckle tracking (supra-normal contraction, incoordinate contraction)
- Severe VAsPickelhaube sign
- > Specific areas of replacement fibrosis



- Designing a cost-effective risk stratification model to identify patients at risk still remains a challenge
- Optimum treatment (medical, interventional, ICD, surgical correction) and optimal timing of intervention still remains unclear
- Awareness of this condition and individualized patient treatment remains paramount





