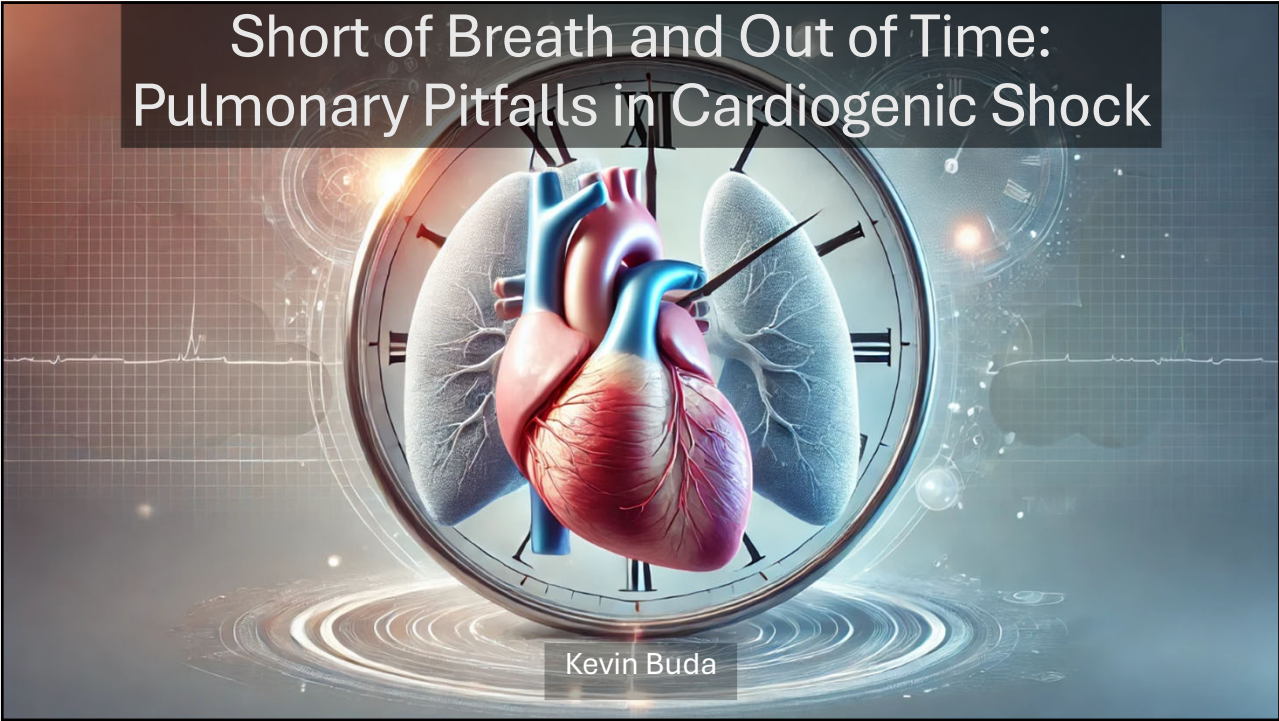
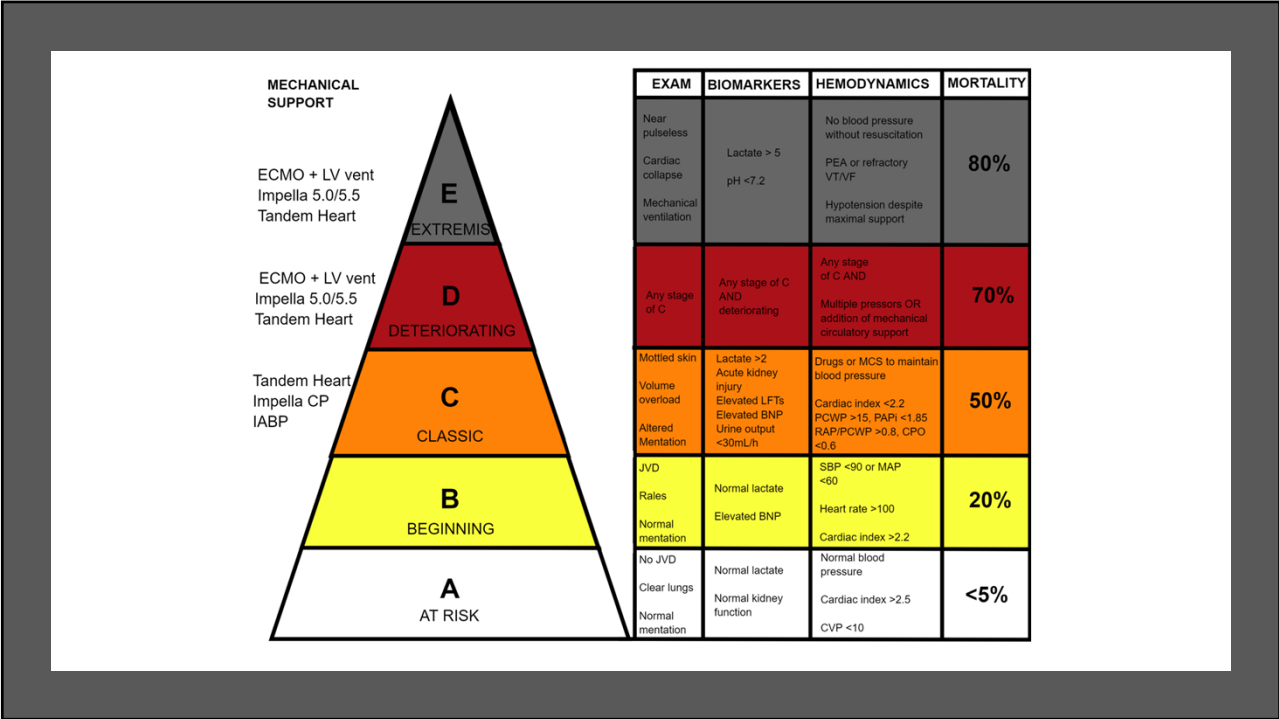




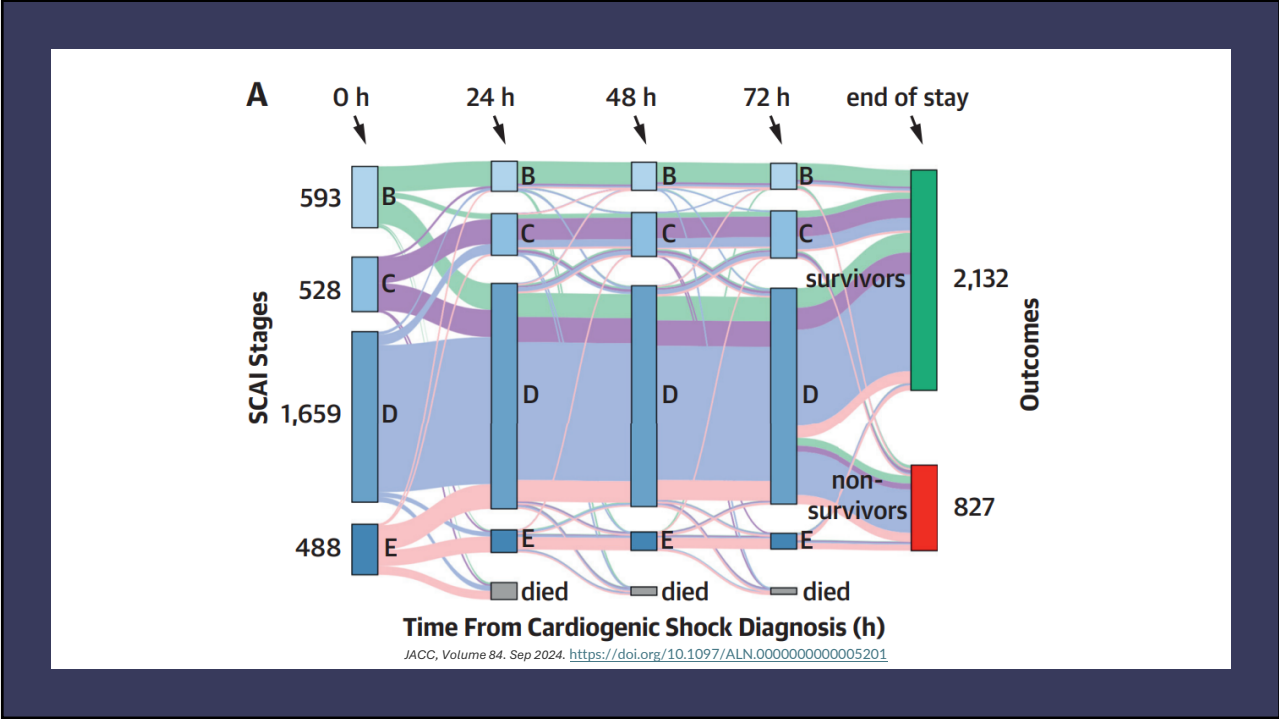
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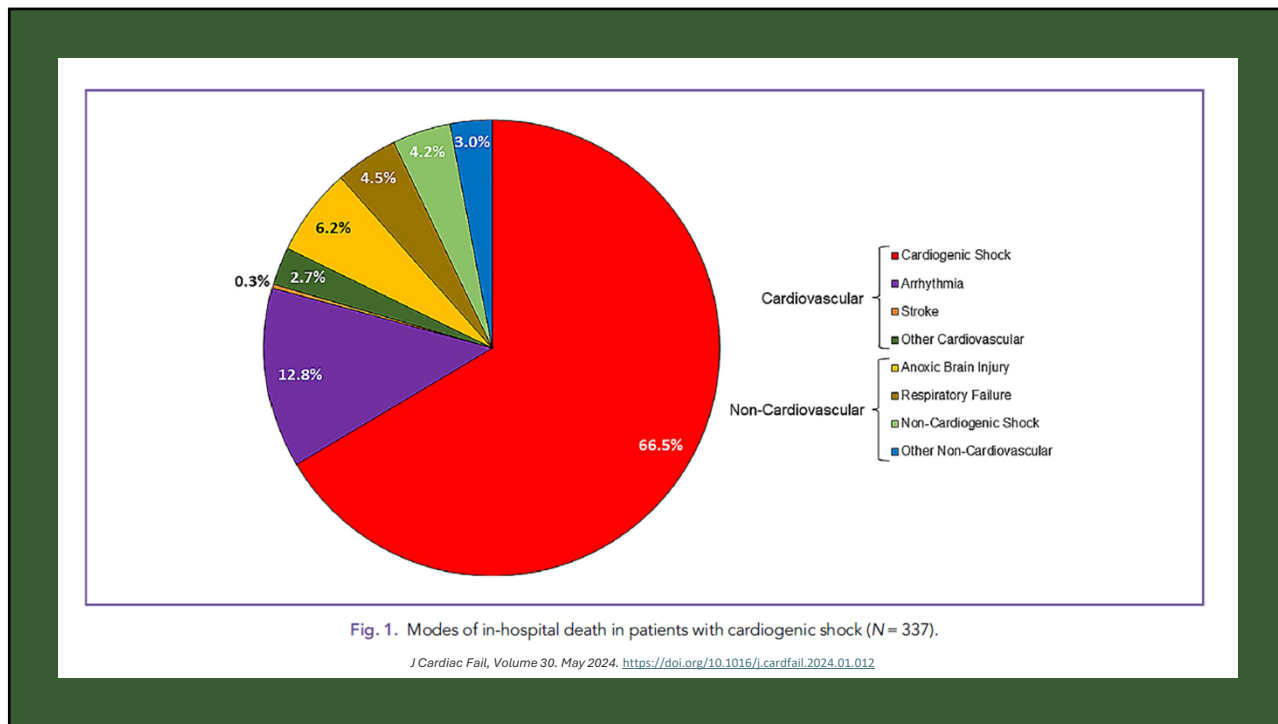
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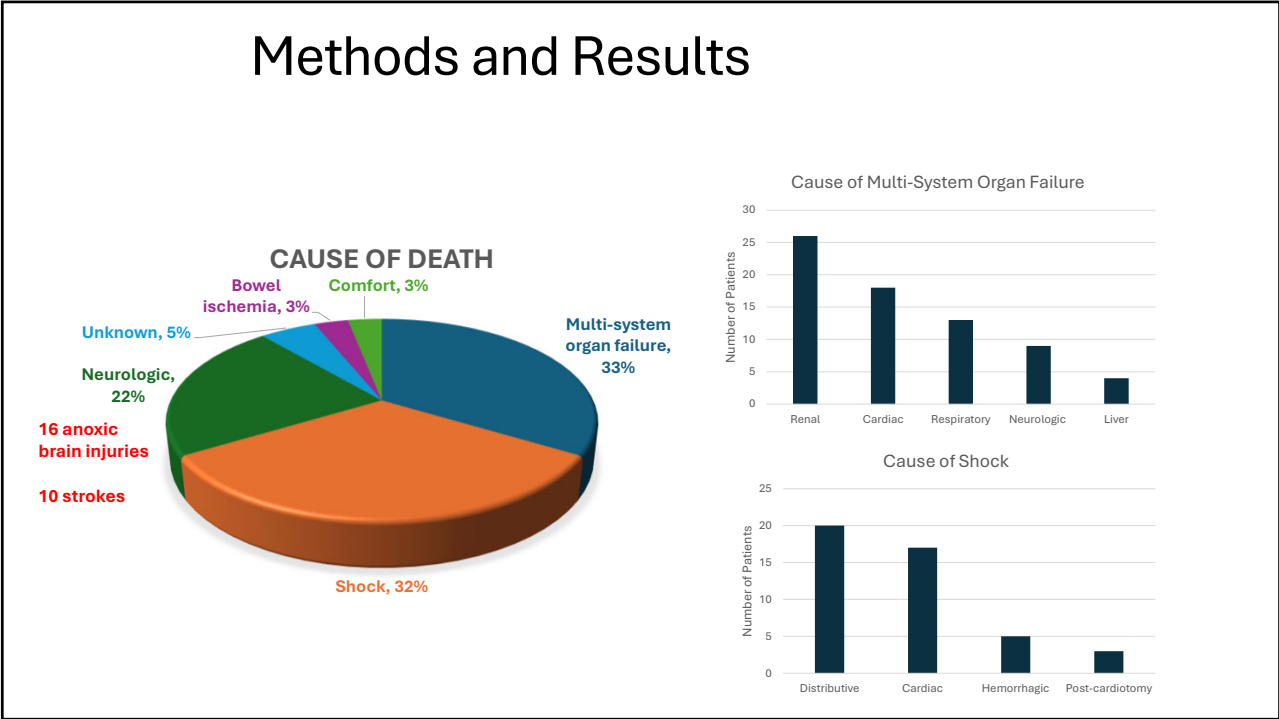
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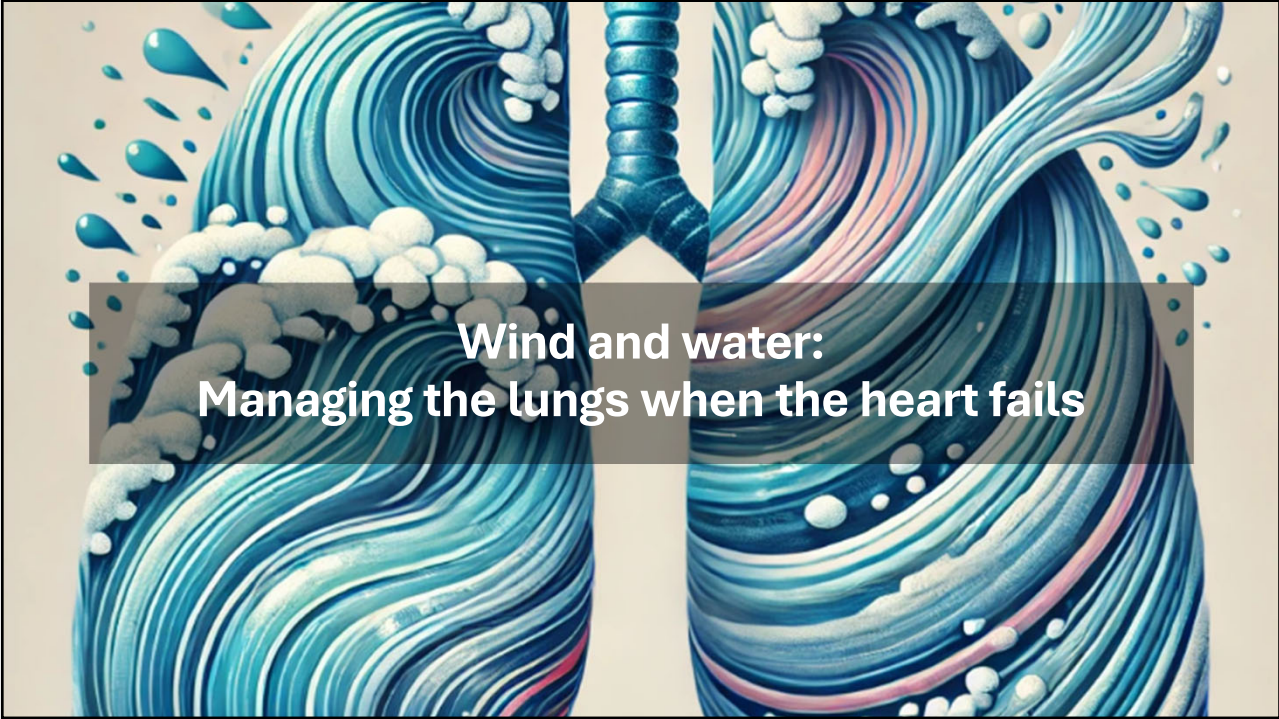
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Patient characteristic	Died before decannulation (n=224)	Died after decannulation (n=125)	P value	Survived (n=386)	P value
Age	57	63	<0.001	54	<0.001
Hours on VA-ECMO	72.9	100.5	<0.001	91.4	<0.001
<b>ECMO Indication</b>					
ECPR (%)	36.1	25.6	0.059	22.2	0.508
<b>Cannula Configuration (%)</b>					
Femoral-femoral	79.5	71.4	0.114	79.6	0.074
North-south	2.6	0	0.167	0	•
Central	17.9	28.6	0.029	20.4	0.074
Post-Cardiotomy (%)	27.0	40.7	0.012	41.3	0.989
Impella	52.4	37.9	0.013	48.9	0.041

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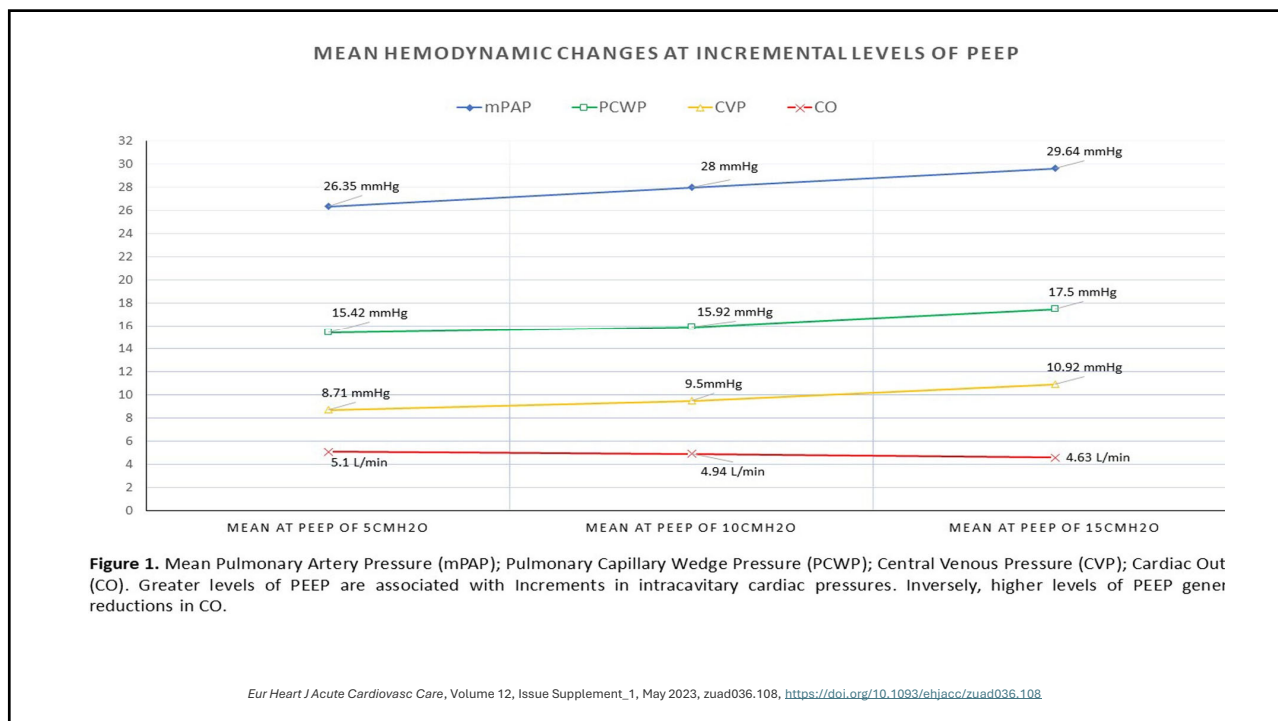
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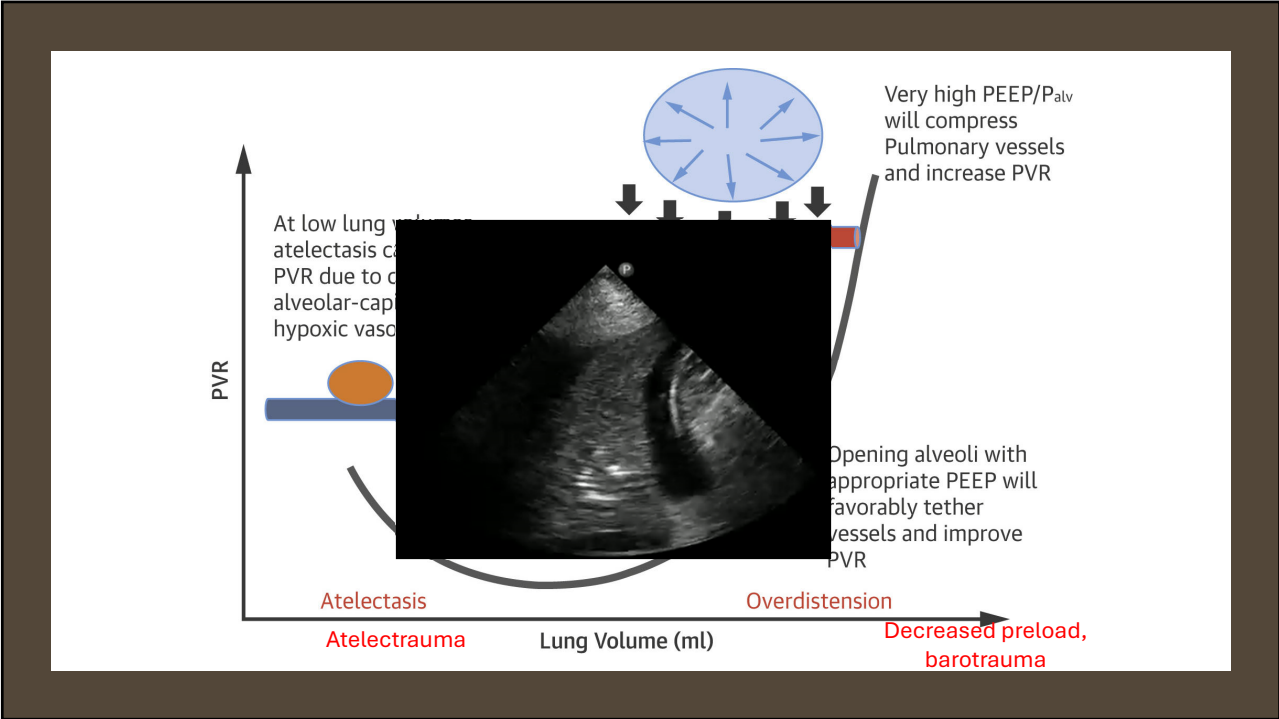
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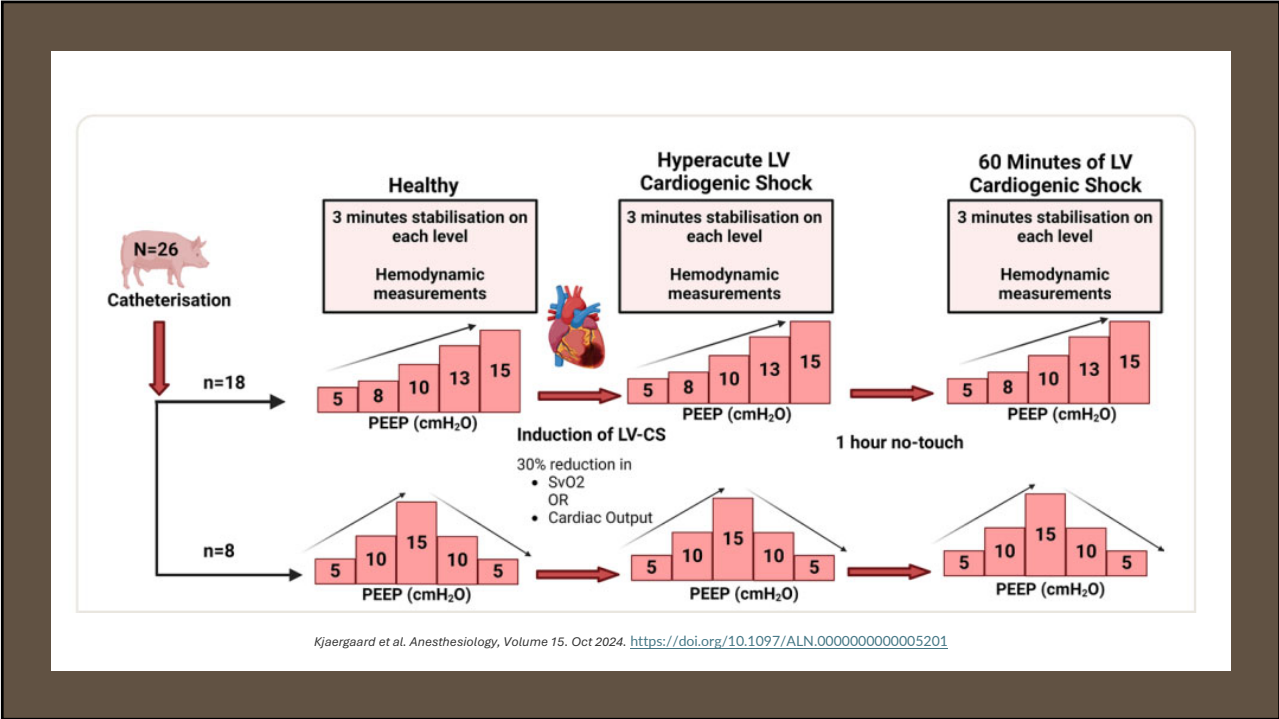
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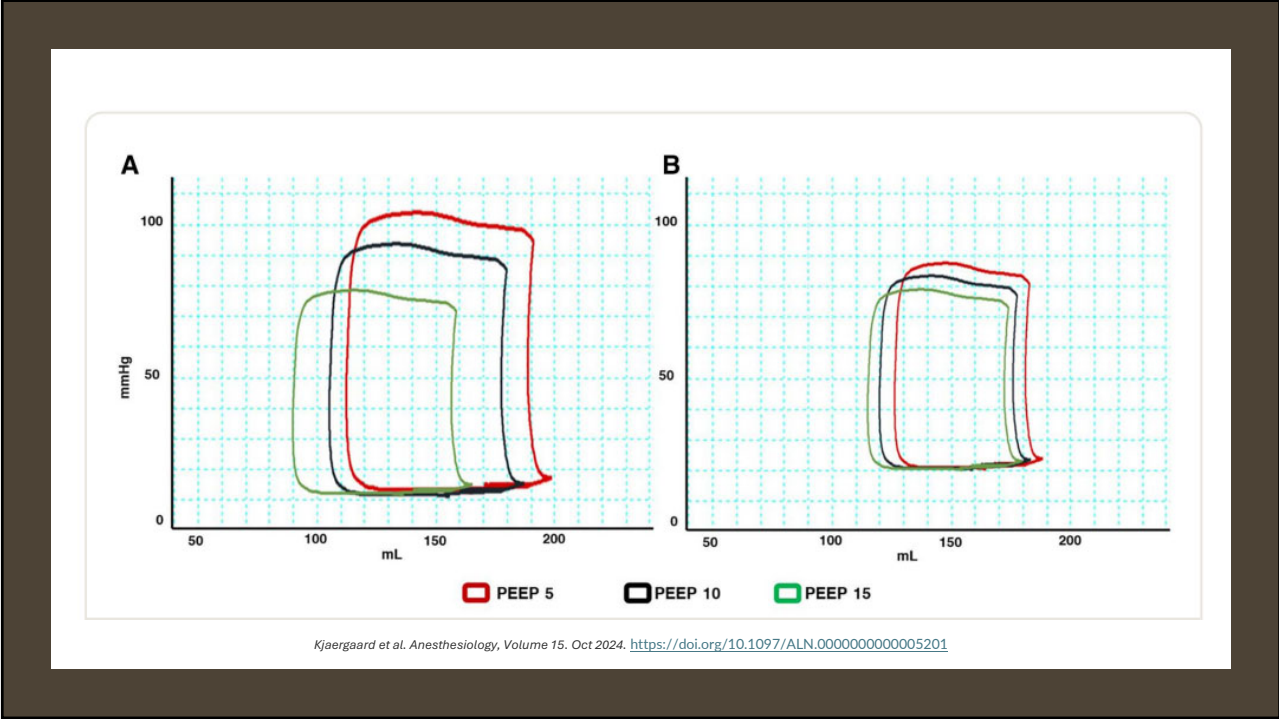


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**Table 1. Cardiac Energetic Parameters during Different PEEP Settings**

Parameter	PEEP				
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PVA, mmHg × ml					
Healthy	10,437 ± 3,091	9,749 ± 3,395	8,755 ± 2,999‡	7,325 ± 2,882‡	6,699 ± 2,660‡
LV-CS	7,350 ± 2,798	7,406 ± 3,249	6,714 ± 2,630†	6,889 ± 2,784†	6,083 ± 2,233‡
MPE, mmHg × l/min					
Healthy	665 ± 221	607 ± 227	544 ± 182‡	458 ± 180‡	414 ± 160‡
LV-CS	490 ± 180	462 ± 191	452 ± 161*	448 ± 182*	436 ± 160†
SW, mmHg × ml					
Healthy	6,223 ± 2,167	5,954 ± 2,621	5,365 ± 2,230‡	4,662 ± 2,313‡	4,370 ± 2,005‡
LV-CS	3,572 ± 2,184	3,965 ± 2,322	3,311 ± 1,964*	3,753 ± 2,065	2,994 ± 1,791‡
PE, mmHg × ml					
Healthy	4,214 ± 2,210	3,795 ± 2,154	3,391 ± 1,707‡	2,663 ± 1,360‡	2,329 ± 1,303‡
LV-CS	3,778 ± 1,316	3,442 ± 1,432	3,403 ± 1,364†	3,135 ± 1,194‡	3,089 ± 1,104‡
CE, %					
Healthy	60 ± 14	61 ± 16	61 ± 14	63 ± 15	65 ± 13†
LV-CS	46 ± 13	51 ± 11	48 ± 14	52 ± 11	48 ± 15

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SV, ml					
Healthy	69 ± 24	67 ± 26	66 ± 23	63 ± 22	64 ± 21*
LV-CS	51 ± 30	57 ± 32	50 ± 27	57 ± 27	48 ± 24*
HR, min <sup>-1</sup>					
Healthy	64 ± 14	63 ± 12	63 ± 13	63 ± 11	63 ± 12
LV-CS	71 ± 25	65 ± 17	71 ± 24	67 ± 18	75 ± 24*
Ees, mmHg/ml					
Healthy	1.39 ± 0.41	1.50 ± 0.44	1.40 ± 0.41	1.62 ± 0.61†	1.50 ± 0.47
LV-CS	1.00 ± 0.26	1.05 ± 0.27	1.03 ± 0.31	1.05 ± 0.26	1.02 ± 0.26
dP/dt <sub>max</sub> , mmHg/s					
Healthy	1,729 ± 354	1,698 ± 371	1,551 ± 338†	1,464 ± 463‡	1,297 ± 416‡
LV-CS	1,147 ± 201	1,147 ± 233	1,089 ± 227*	1,128 ± 238*	1,030 ± 221†
LVEF, %					
Healthy	49 ± 15	51 ± 17	51 ± 14	54 ± 17†	55 ± 13‡
LV-CS	36 ± 13	41 ± 11	38 ± 13	42 ± 11	38 ± 14

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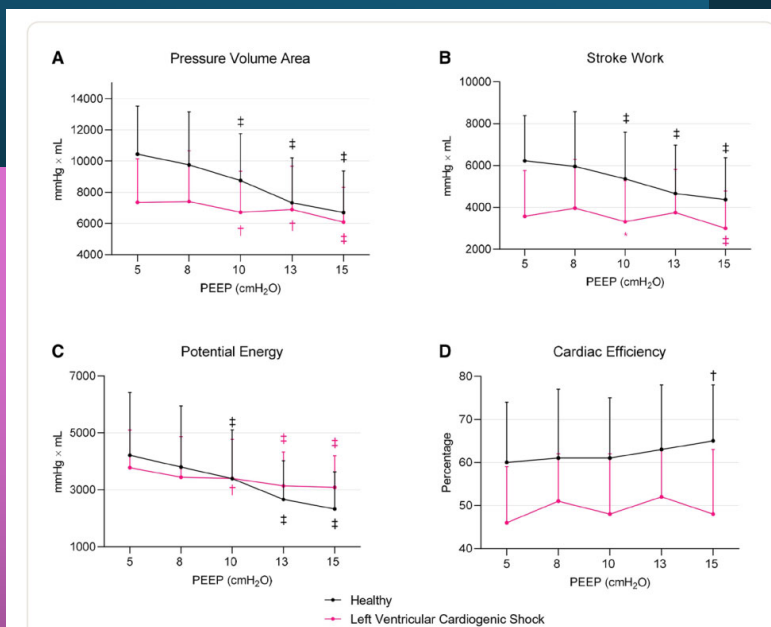


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<b>Afterload parameters</b>					
Ea, mmHg/ml					
Healthy	1.72 ± 0.89	1.67 ± 0.92	1.53 ± 0.77	1.52 ± 0.88*	1.32 ± 0.69†
LV-CS	2.09 ± 1.10	1.75 ± 1.04	1.89 ± 1.01	1.65 ± 0.99	1.89 ± 1.18
LVESP, mmHg					
Healthy	102 ± 21	99 ± 20	92 ± 19‡	86 ± 21‡	78 ± 18‡
LV-CS	84 ± 15	82 ± 19	81 ± 18*	80 ± 19†	77 ± 17‡
P <sub>max</sub> , mmHg					
Healthy	104 ± 21	104 ± 19	95 ± 17‡	90 ± 20‡	83 ± 18‡
LV-CS	87 ± 16	87 ± 18	84 ± 18*	84 ± 18*	79 ± 16†
LV wall stress, mmHg					
Healthy	191 ± 94	179 ± 93	160 ± 73‡	137 ± 67‡	118 ± 55‡
LV-CS	170 ± 63	161 ± 71	154 ± 64†	147 ± 64†	142 ± 50‡
<b>Preload parameters</b>					
LVEDV, ml					
Healthy	178 ± 36	174 ± 36	169 ± 35‡	157 ± 36‡	153 ± 35‡
LV-CS	172 ± 39	175 ± 44	165 ± 40*	167 ± 38*	159 ± 32‡
LVEDP, mmHg					
Healthy	15 ± 7	17 ± 7	15 ± 7	17 ± 7	15 ± 7
LV-CS	21 ± 10	21 ± 9	20 ± 8	21 ± 8	19 ± 8†

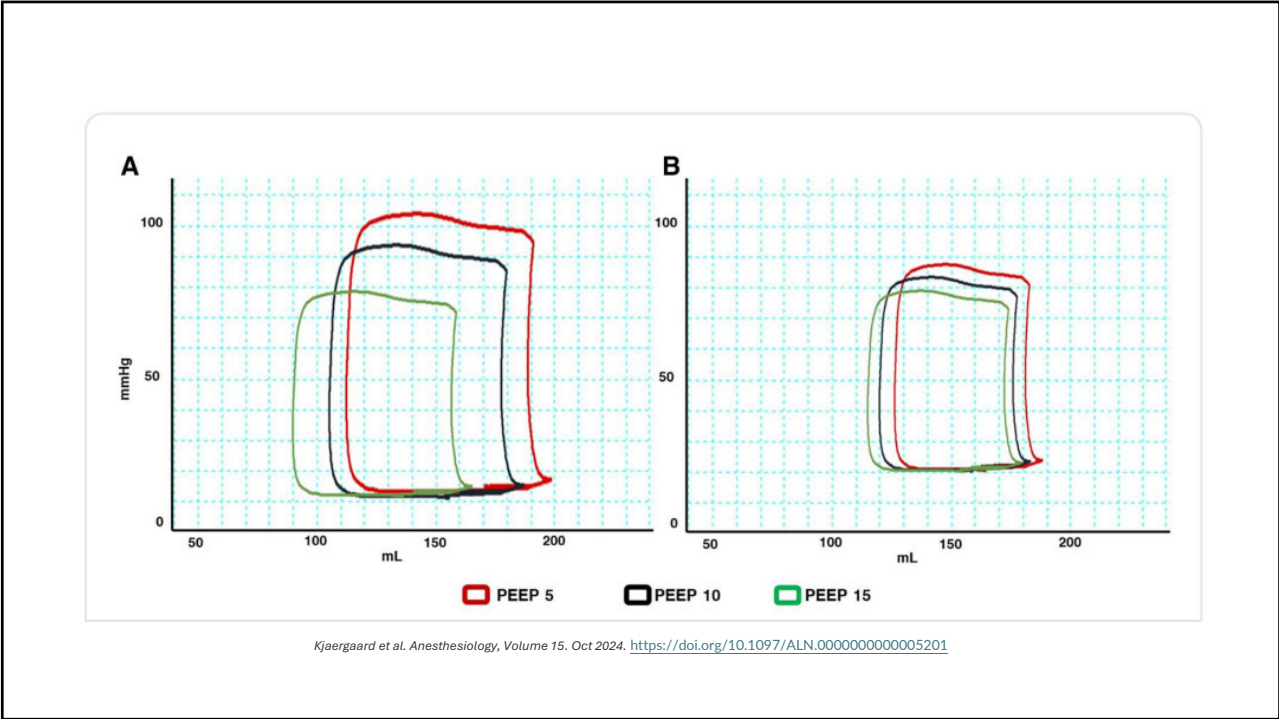
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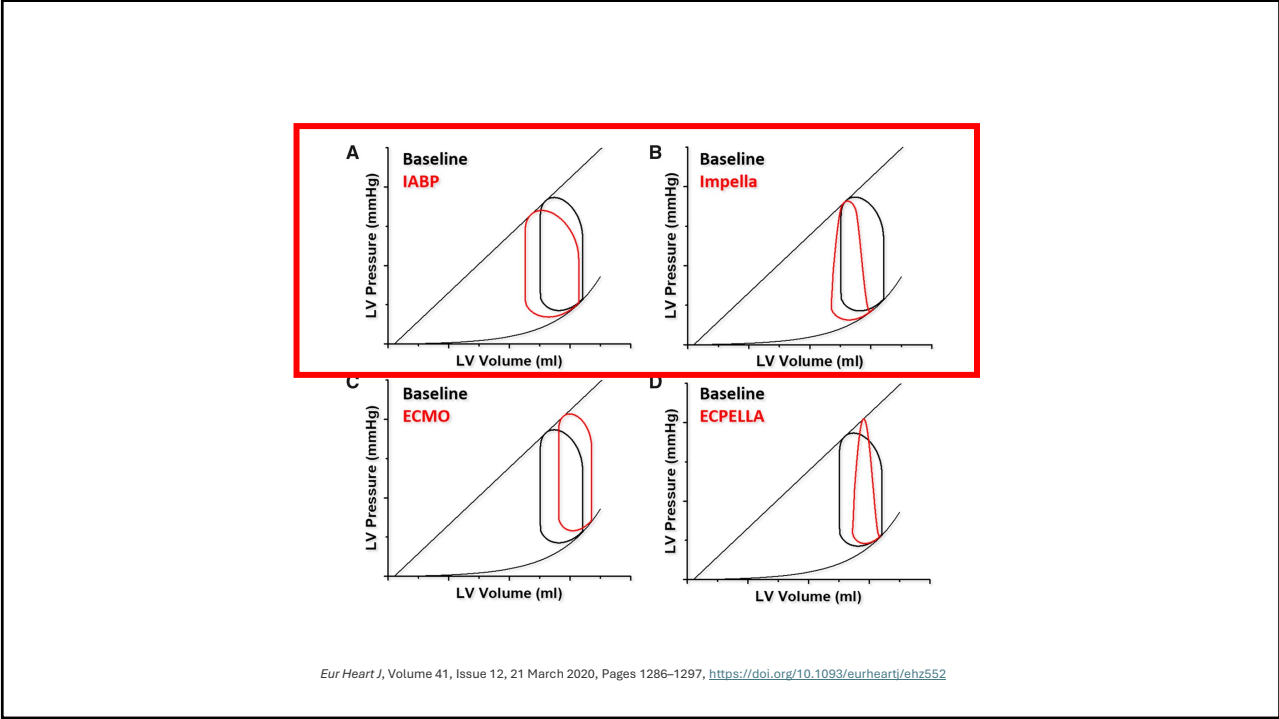


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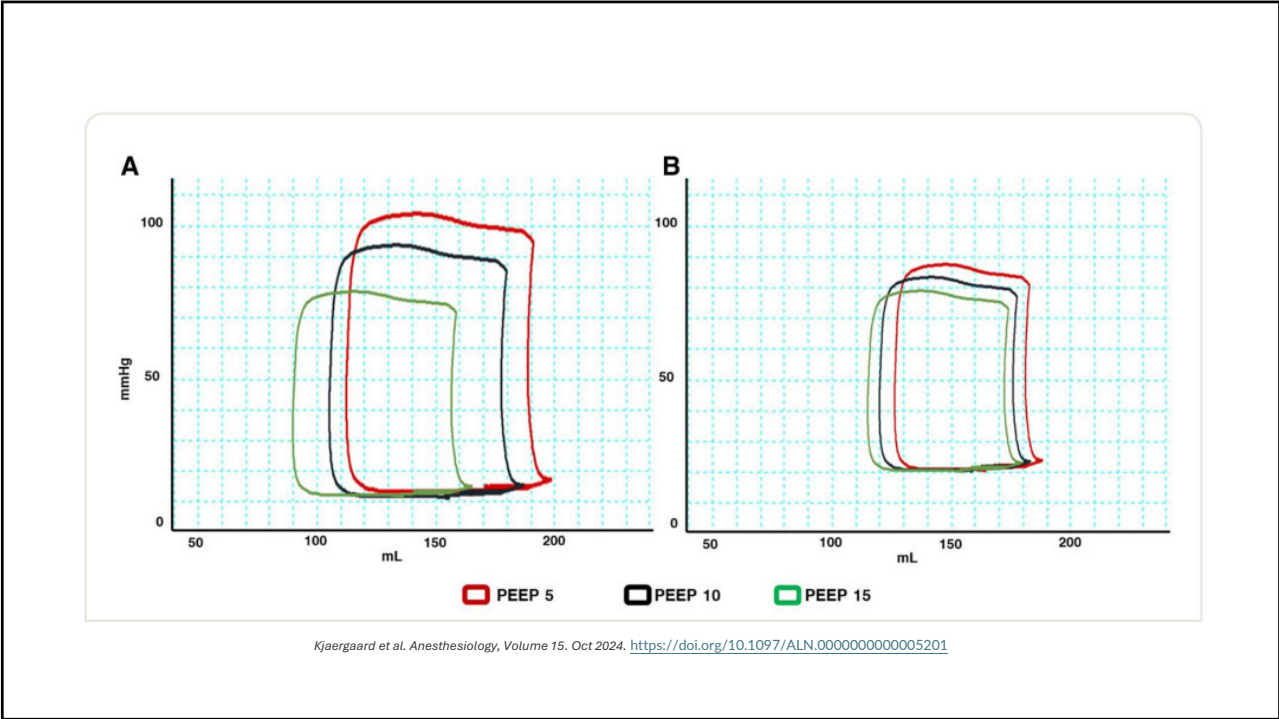
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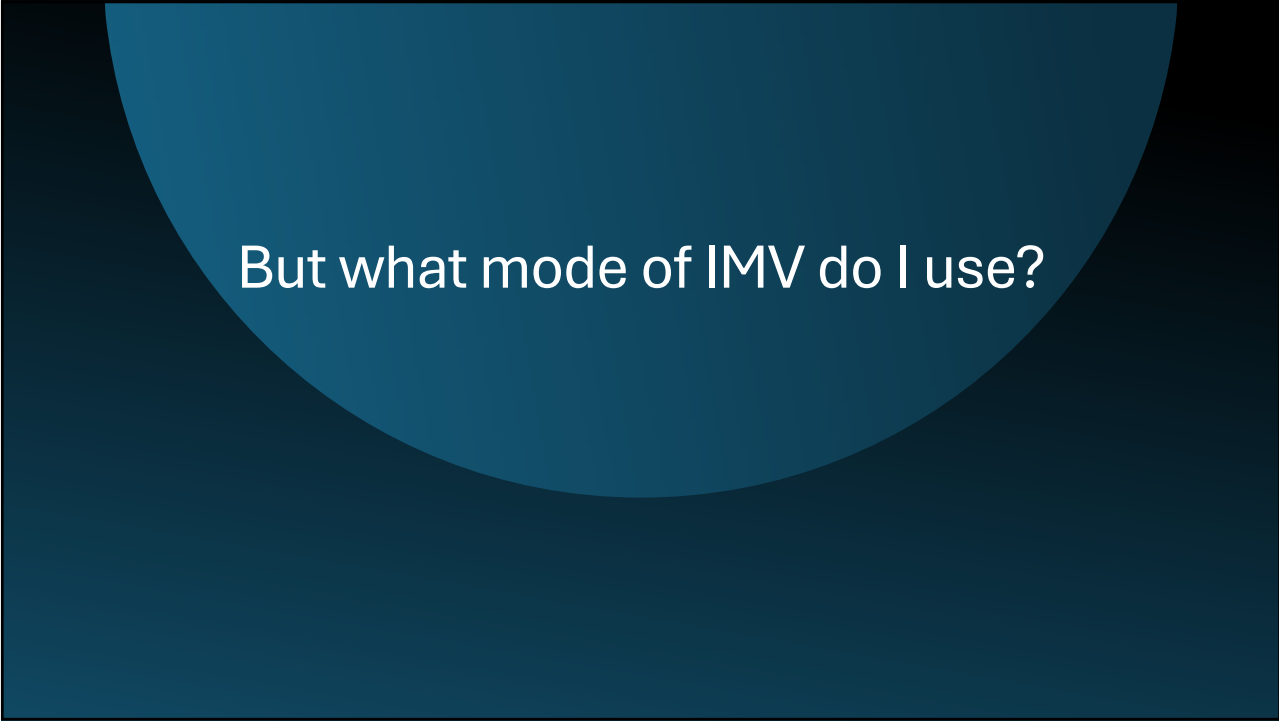


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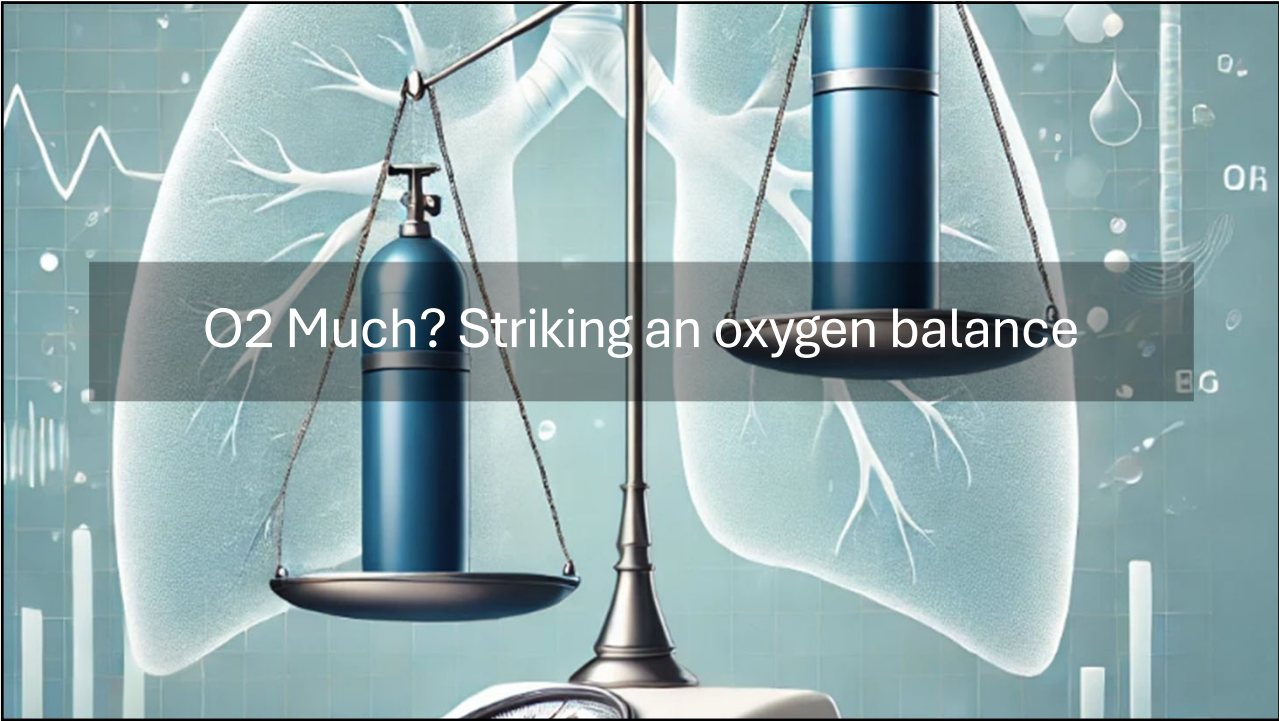
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Review

# Association between intra- and post-arrest hyperoxia on mortality in adults with cardiac arrest: A systematic review and meta-analysis

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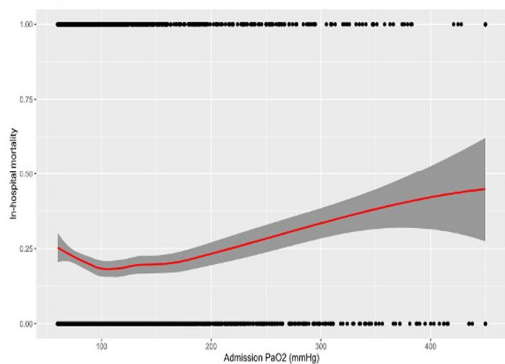



Figure B

Variable	N	Odds ratio	p
PaO2_group_redo_factor <100	1739	Reference	
101-150	959	0.79 (0.64, 0.98)	0.03
151-200	356	0.71 (0.51, 0.96)	0.03
201-300	216	1.21 (0.84, 1.71)	0.30
>300	84	2.37 (1.41, 3.94)	<0.001


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### Highlights

- Arterial hyperoxia (admission PaO<sub>2</sub> > 150 mmHg) was present in 20% of ICU patients
- A J-shaped association was observed between admission PaO<sub>2</sub> and mortality
- A higher admission PaO<sub>2</sub> was incrementally associated with higher mortality
- Patients with severe hyperoxia (admission PaO<sub>2</sub> > 300 mmHg) were at highest risk of mortality



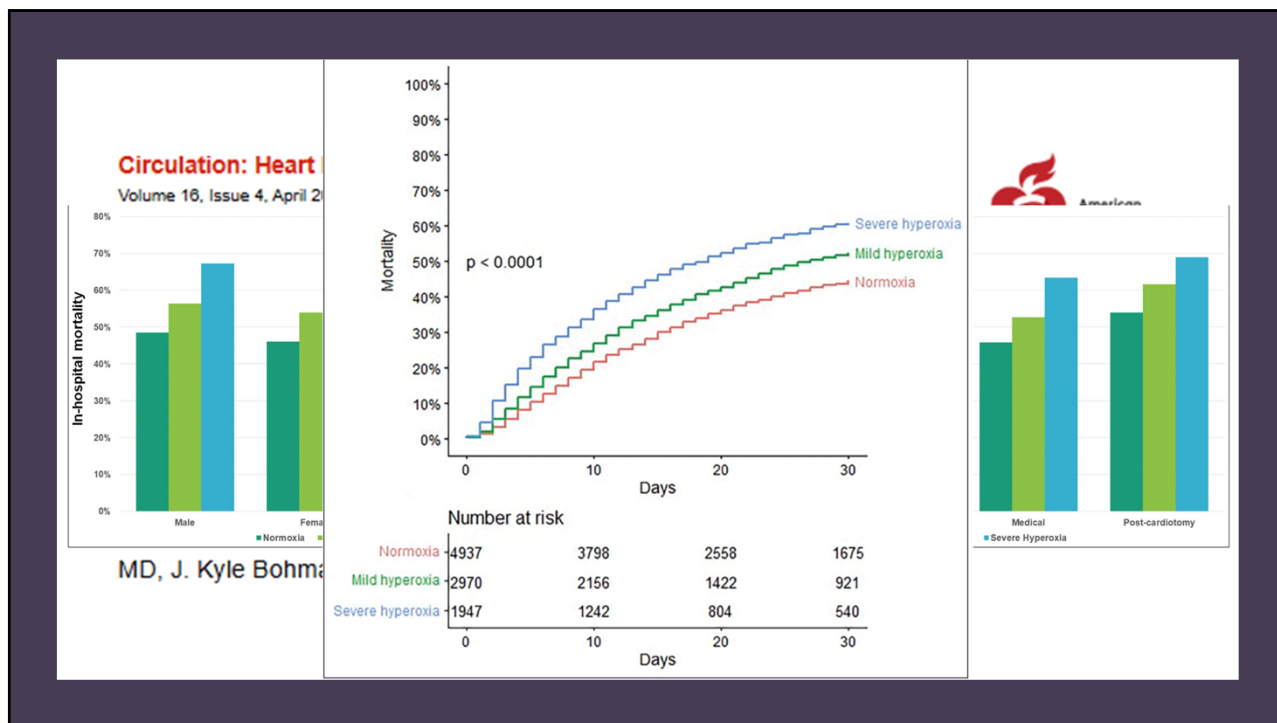
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# Sedation

**Study population**

SAVE-J II study 2013–2018 → Adult patients after ECPR for cardiogenic OHCA (N = 1459) → Propensity score matching for propofol use in ICU

Propofol user (N=109) vs. Midazolam user (N=109)

**Study outcome**

Time to liberation from mechanical ventilation and ICU discharge

**No significant differences in mechanical ventilation duration and ICU stay length between the propofol and midazolam users after ECPR for OHCA**

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# Induction Agent





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Clinical Investigations

## Propofol vs etomidate for induction prior to invasive mechanical ventilation in patients with acute myocardial infarction

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**TABLE 6 Cardiovascular Effects of Key Agents Used in the Management of PPV in the CICU**

Drug Class/ Common Agents	Drug Dosage	Pharmacological Class	Most Frequent Adverse Cardiac Effects	Comments
Sedation/induction agents				All agents can worsen myocardial dysfunction.
Propofol	Bolus: 0.25-2.00 mg/kg IV Infusion: 5-50 µg/kg/min IV	General anesthetic	Hypotension, bradycardia	Hypertension and tachycardia are also possible. Caution if LVEF <50%. Monitor for propofol- related infusion syndrome, a rare but important side effect. Negative inotropic effect, especially when infused as a bolus.
Etomidate	0.3-0.4 mg/kg IV	General anesthetic	Hypotension because of adrenal suppression	Single dose inhibits adrenal steroid production for 6- 24 h; hence, need to closely monitor fluid balance in patients with heart failure. May require stress steroids. Concerns for adrenal insufficiency have been raised, but it has not been demonstrated to increase mortality in septic patients. Useful for intubation in RV failure. Consider an alternative agent in patients with sepsis (e.g., ketamine, methohexital).
Dexmedetomidine	Loading: 1 mcg/kg over 10 min IV Infusion: 0.2-0.7 µg/kg/h IV* for 24 h	α2 adrenergic agonist, sedative	Hypotension, <b>bradycardia</b>	Hypotension due to cardiovascular depression and hypertension due to peripheral vasoconstriction (α2B receptor-mediated) have been described during bolus dosing. Hypertension and tachycardia may improve with dose reduction. Caution if pre-existing heart block or bradycardia.
Methohexital	Loading: IV: 0.75- 1.00 mg/kg; can re-dose 0.5 mg/kg every 2 to 5 min as needed	General anesthetic (barbiturate derivative)	Hypotension, tachycardia	Hypotension due to cardiovascular depression and tachycardia.
Ketamine	Bolus: 0.1-0.5 mg/kg IV Infusion: 5-20 µg/kg/min IV	General anesthetic	<b>Hypertension, tachycardia</b>	Hypotension may also occur. Reactions may require additional sedation with other agents; use with caution in CAD and catecholamine depletion, such as in states of prolonged illness/hospitalization. Although superiority over other agents has not been demonstrated, ketamine may cause less hypertension by increasing systemic vascular resistance, so careful patient selection and monitoring in patients with LV dysfunction and hypertension is warranted. Useful for intubation in RV failure in patients without suction for catecholamine depletion.

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Neuromuscular blockade agents				Ensure adequate sedation and analgesia if using NMB; monitor NMB through stimulation of peripheral nerves (79).
Succinylcholine	Bolus: 1-2 mg/kg IV	Depolarizing neuromuscular blockade	Bradycardia (most often in children); hypotension, hypertension, tachycardia; Arrhythmias because of hyperkalemia	Avoid if severe electrolyte abnormalities including hyperkalemia, muscle disorders, plasma pseudo cholinesterase disorders.
Rocuronium	Bolus: 0.6-1.2 mg/kg IV Infusion: 4-16 µg/kg/min IV	Nondepolarizing neuromuscular blockade	Infrequent side effects (<1%); Anaphylaxis, hypersensitivity reactions; Hypertension, tachycardia	Use with caution in conditions that potentiate or antagonize NMB. Maintenance bolus dosing used in operating room.
Vecuronium	Bolus: 0.08-0.10 mg/kg IV Infusion: 1 µg/kg/min IV	Nondepolarizing neuromuscular blockade	Infrequent side effects (<1%); Hypersensitivity, bradycardia, hypotension; Cross-reactivity with other NMBs	Use with caution in conditions that potentiate or antagonize NMB. Maintenance bolus dosing used in operating room.
Cisatracurium	Bolus: 0.15-0.20 mg/kg IV Infusion: 0.5-10.0 µg/kg/min IV	Nondepolarizing neuromuscular blockade	Infrequent side effects (<1%); Hypersensitivity, bradycardia, hypotension; Cross-reactivity with other NMB	Use with caution in conditions that potentiate or antagonize NMB. Maintenance bolus dosing used in operating room. May be preferred in ARDS.

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Reversal agents				
Sugammadex	Bolus: 2-16 mg/kg IV depending on level of block	Selective relaxant binding agent	Anaphylaxis is major side effect, hypotension, hypertension, bradycardia, tachycardia, QT prolongation	Reverses neuromuscular blockade only for rocuronium and vecuronium, not nonsteroidal neuromuscular blocking agents such as succinylcholine or benzylisoquinolinium compounds.
Naloxone	0.4-2.0 mg IV, can be repeated at 2-3 min intervals to maximum dose 10 mg	Opioid antagonist	Flushing, hypertension, hypotension, arrhythmias	For reversal in chronic use cases, reduce dose and/or dilute in 10 ml 0.9% NaCl. Infuse slowly, to avoid acute opioid withdrawal and catecholamine release that can be very concerning in cardiac patients.
Analgesics				
Fentanyl	Bolus: 25-75 µg q1-2 h IV Infusion: 50-100 mcg/h IV	Anilidopiperidine opioid; general anesthetic	Hypotension, bradycardia	Many other reported adverse reactions. Fentanyl-induced chest wall rigidity (rare complication). Other dose ranges depend on diagnosis and route of administration.
Hydromorphone	Bolus: 0.2-0.6 mg q1-2 h IV Infusion: 0.5-3.0 mg/h IV	Opioid	Hypotension, bradycardia Hypertension, tachycardia	Dose varies depending on route of delivery.
Morphine	Bolus: 2-5 mg q4 h IV for pain Infusion: 2-30 mg/h IV	Opioid	Bradycardia, tachycardia, hypotension; histamine release	Dose varies depending on route of delivery. Has a venodilatory effect so it should be used with caution in preload-dependent states (e.g., RV failure).
Methadone	2.5-10.0 mg q8-12 h IV or 10-40 mg q6-12 h by mouth	Opioid	Hypotension, arrhythmias, QT prolongation	Monitor QT interval; discontinue if significant QT prolongation. Dose varies depending on route of delivery and patient. Half-life variable and very long.
Ketorolac	Bolus: 30 mg IV, then 15-30 mg q6 h up to 5 days	NSAID	Edema, hypertension, hyperkalemia	Adjust dose for weight <50 kg, age ≥65 yrs and renal impairment. Contraindicated in setting of coronary artery bypass surgery.

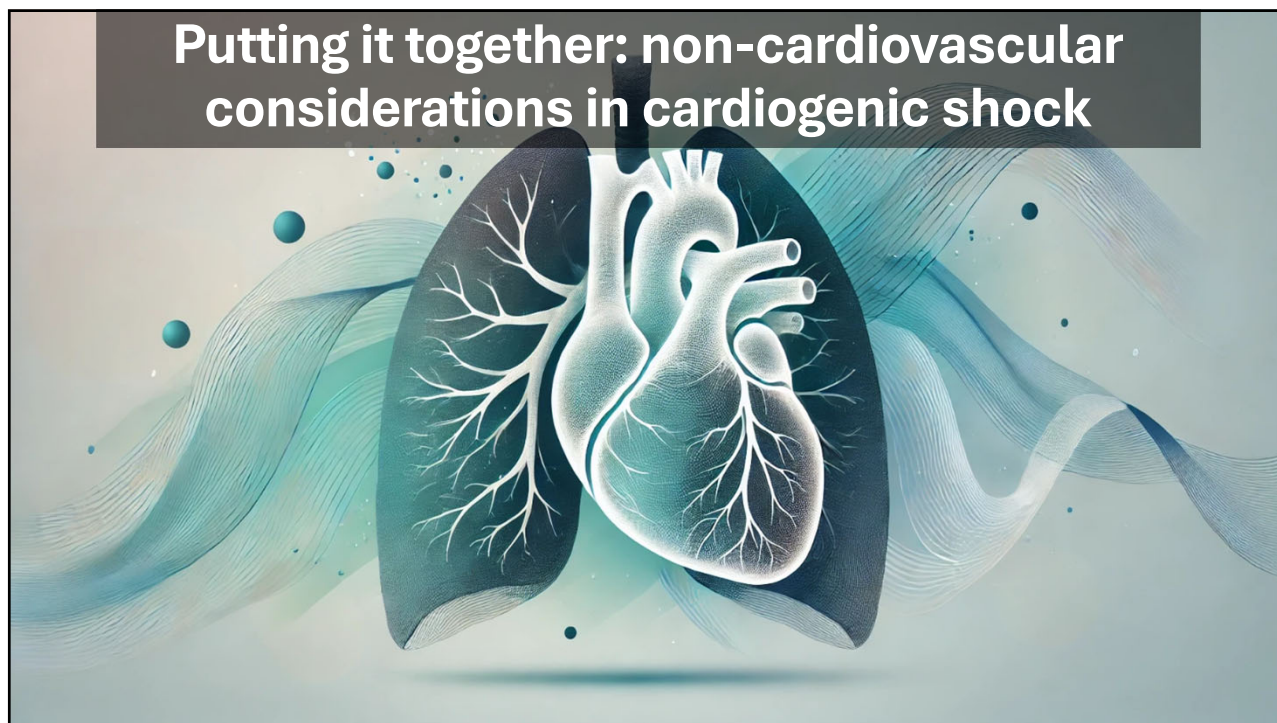
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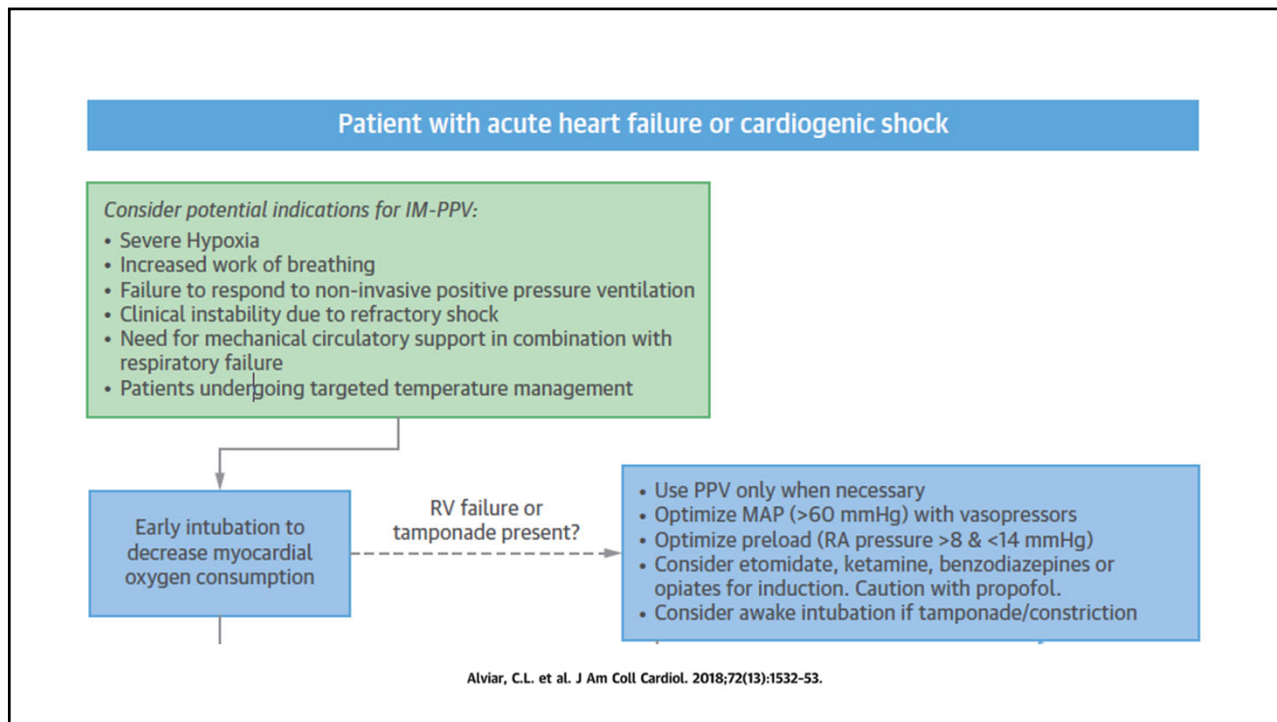
<b>Anxiolytic agents</b>				
Midazolam	Bolus: 0.01-0.05 mg/kg IV Infusion: 0.02-0.10 mg/kg/h IV†	Anticonvulsant, benzodiazepine	Hypotension, especially in children	
Lorazepam	Bolus: 0.02-0.04 mg/kg (max 2 mg per dose) IV Infusion: 0.01-0.10 mg/kg/h IV†	Anticonvulsant, benzodiazepine	Hypotension	Monitor for propylene glycol toxicity, especially if doses above 0.1 mg/kg/h and/or renal failure.
<b>Antipsychotic/hypnotic agents</b>				
Quetiapine	No intravenous dosing. For ICU delirium: 50 mg by mouth twice daily; may increase to maximum dose 200 mg twice daily‡	Atypical antipsychotic, 2nd generation	Hypotension, hypertension, tachycardia	Monitor QT interval, discontinue if significant QT prolongation.
Haloperidol	Bolus: 0.5-10.0 mg q2-4 h IV Infusion: 0.5-2.0 mg/h IV	Typical antipsychotic, 1st generation	Hypotension, hypertension, arrhythmias	Monitor QT interval, discontinue if significant QT prolongation.

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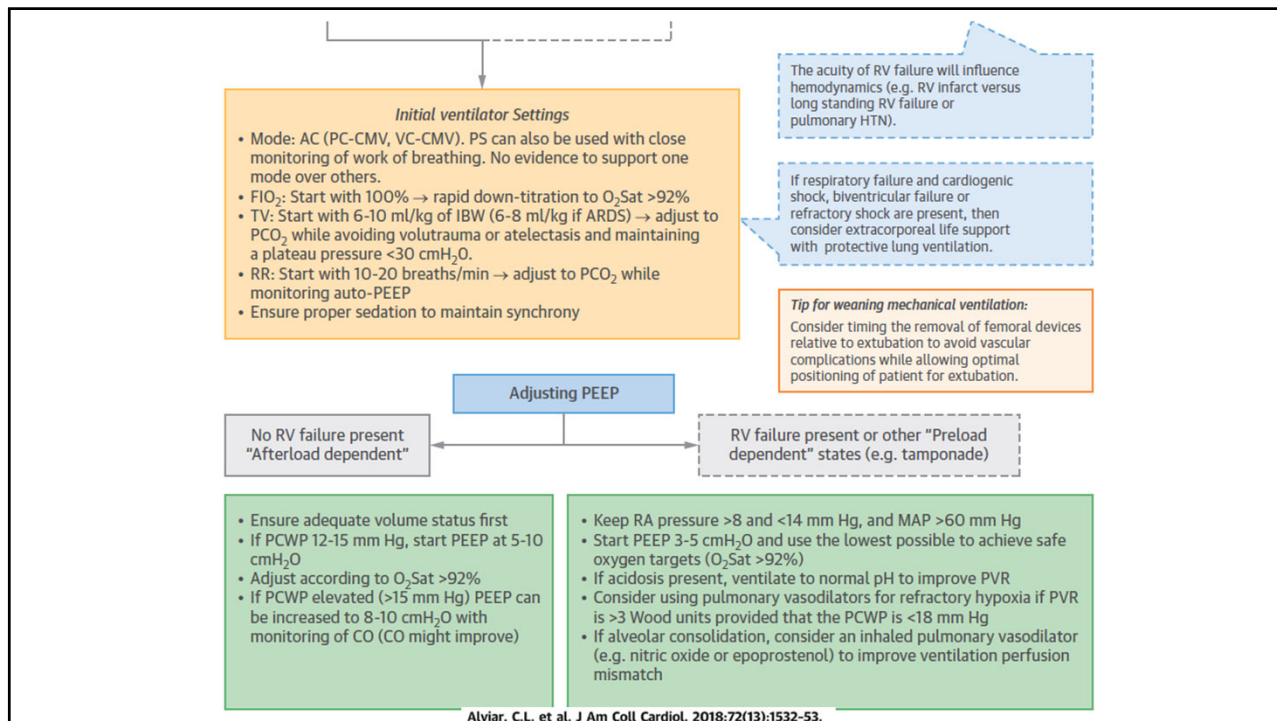
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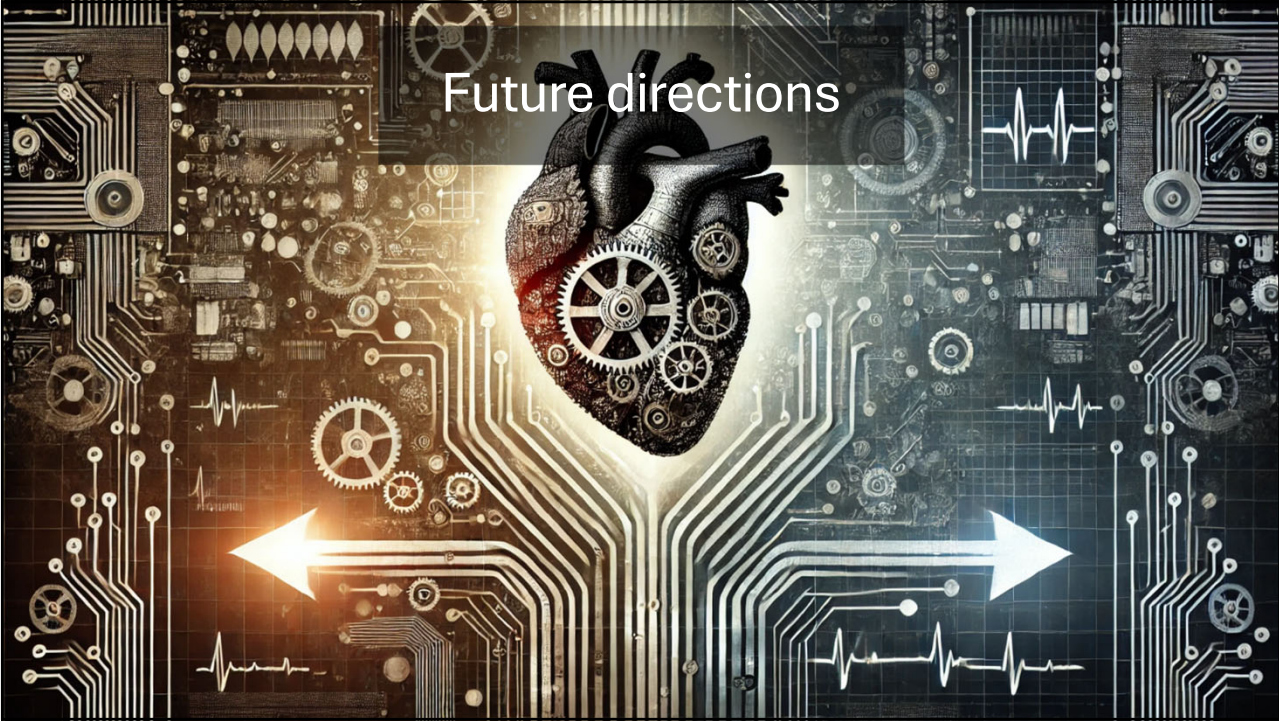
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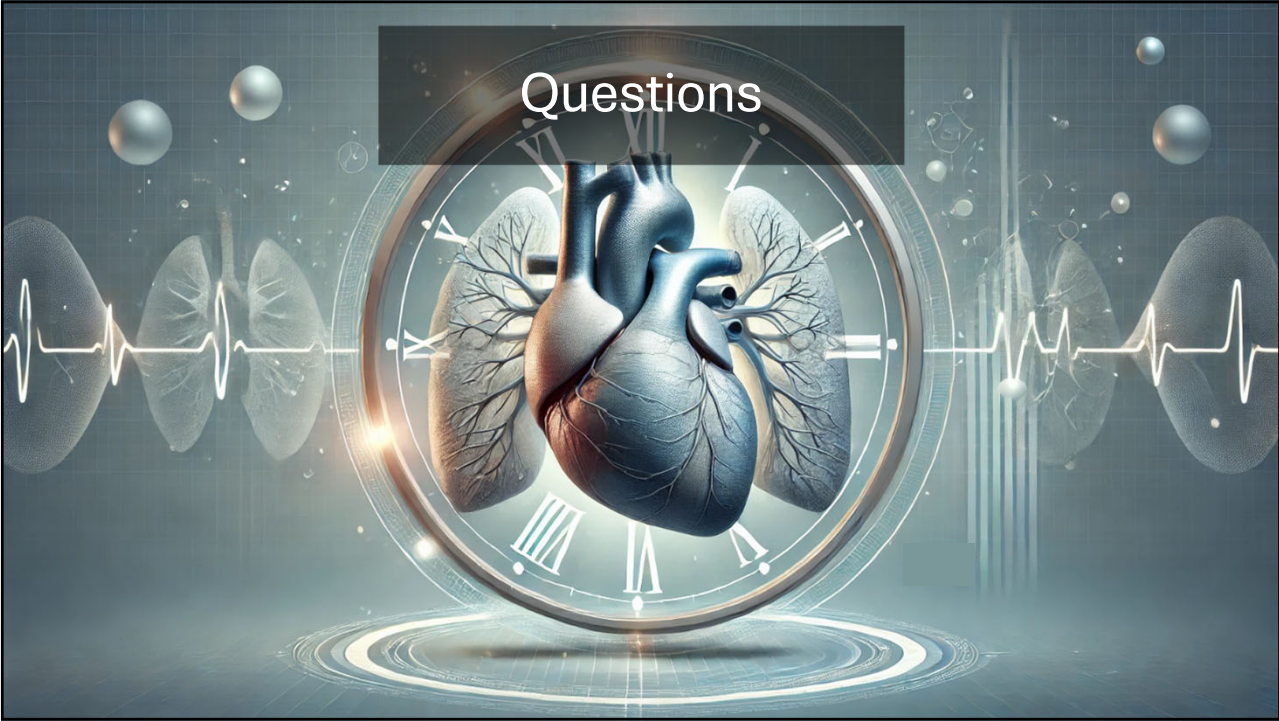
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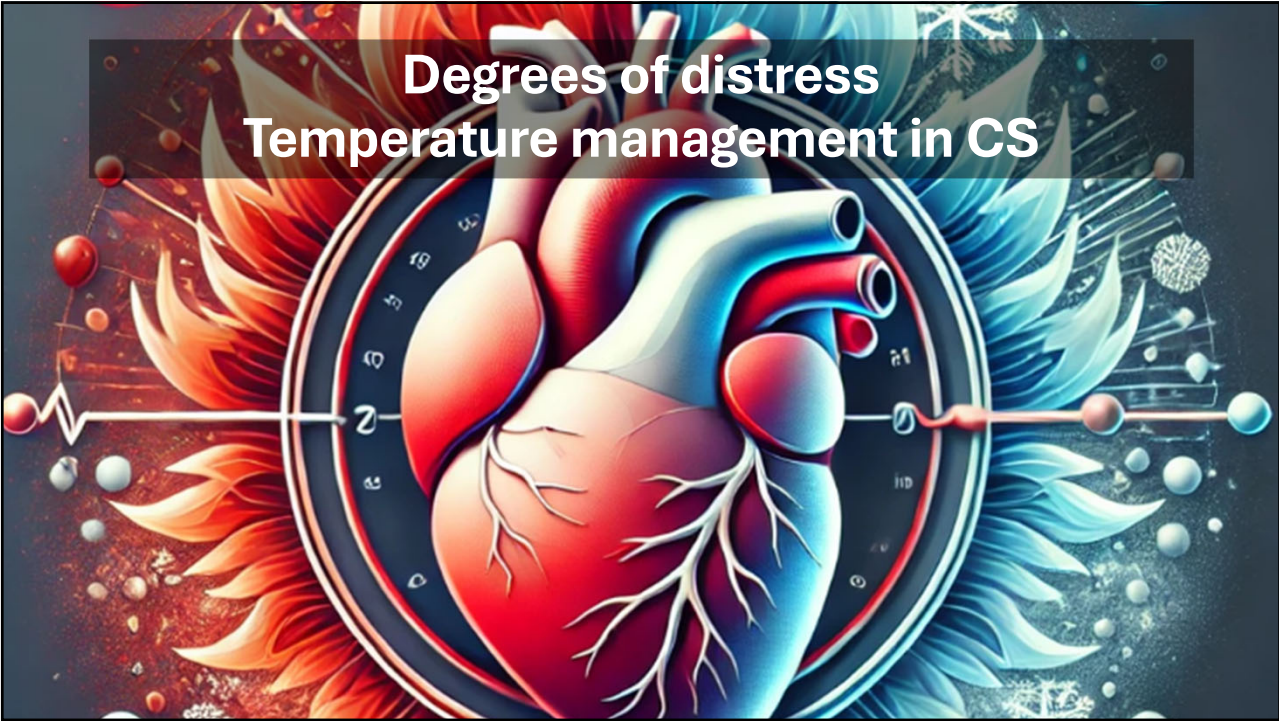
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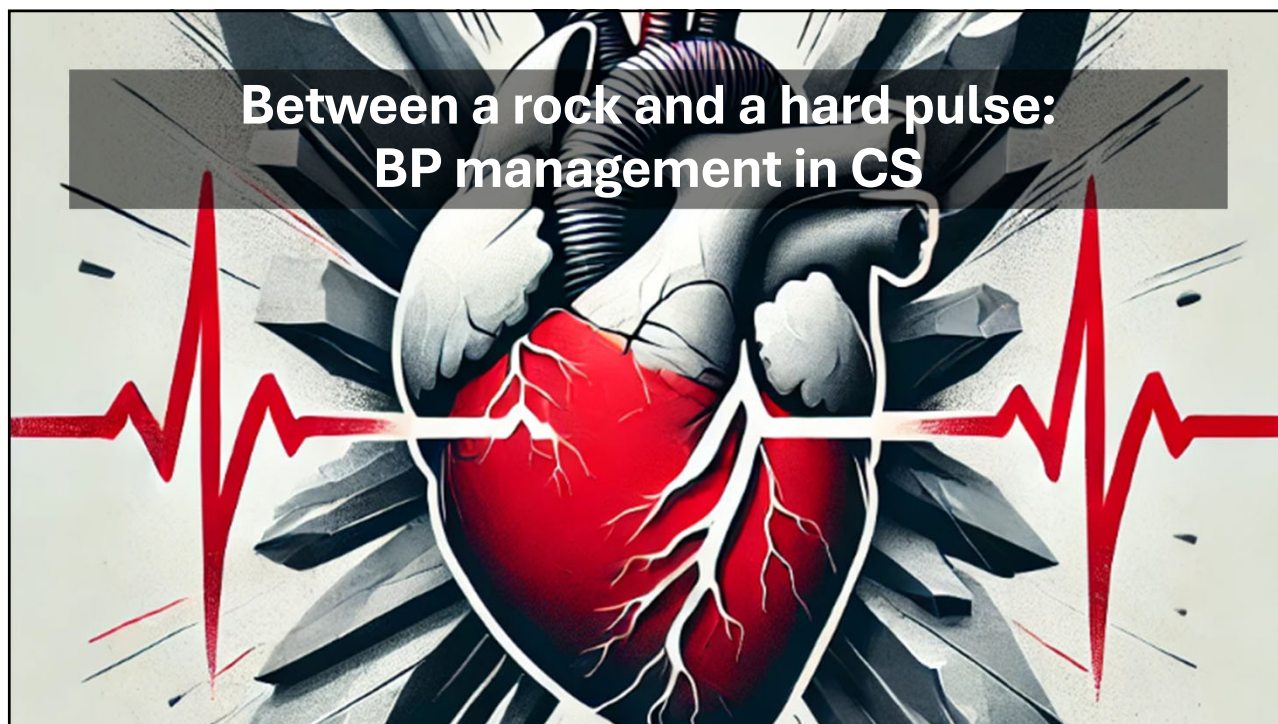
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**Between a rock and a hard pulse:  
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## American Indian Cardiovascular Health: Minnesota Focus



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## Objectives

- Geography of Minnesota’s American Indian Reservations
- Disparities in burden of cardiovascular disease among American Indians
- Challenges in prevention and treatment of cardiovascular disease
- Opportunities and assets for care delivery

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“Red Lake Reservation is mostly water. It is a beautiful place, unlike any other in America. For starters, Upper and Lower Red Lake are almost completely undeveloped. Elm, ash, and maple march down to the water’s edge.

- David Treuer, *Rez Life*

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# CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE BURDEN DISPARITIES

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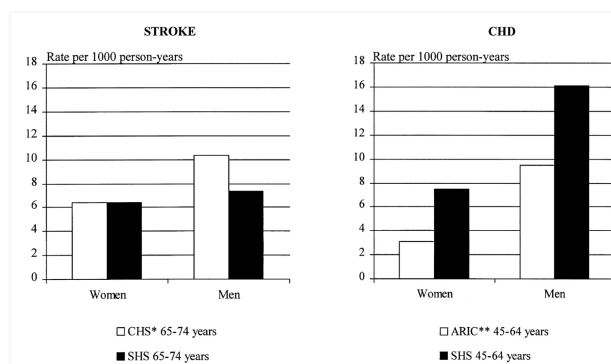
## Cardiovascular disease burden of American Indians

- 1970-1980s notion from available data that American Indians had *lower* rates of cardiovascular disease than other Americans
- All from retrospective data from the Indian Health Service
- Born out of a lack of empirical data was the Strong Heart Study
  - Prospective cohort study 4549 patients from Arizona, Southwestern Oklahoma, North Dakota, South Dakota
  - Baseline exam with EKG, labs (lipids, A1c, albuminuria, obesity measures)
  - Surveilled patients over time to detect new diagnoses

Howard BV, Lee ET, Cowan LD, et al. Rising tide of cardiovascular disease in American Indians: the Strong Heart Study. *Circulation*. 1999;99(18):2389-2395.

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## Strong Heart Study



- Strong Heart found men and women had rates of coronary artery disease that were twice that of comparable US general population cohorts
- Risk factors for coronary artery disease include: diabetes, HTN, HLD, macroalbuminuria

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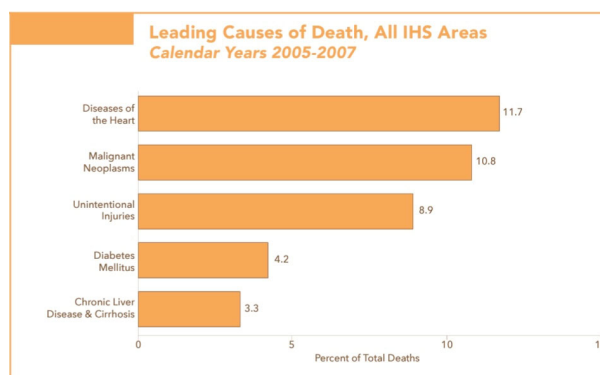
## Cardiovascular disease burden of American Indians

- Retrospective analysis of Medicare data for self identified American Indian patients between 2015-2019
  - Burden of heart failure 22% amongst Medicare cohort of American Indians vs 14% in comparable cohorts
  - Burden of CAD 37% amongst Medicare cohort of American Indians, vs 27% in comparable cohorts

Eberly LA, et al. Cardiovascular Disease Burden and Outcomes Among American Indian and Alaska Native Medicare Beneficiaries. JAMA Netw Open. 2023 Sep 5;6(9):e2334923.

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## Cardiovascular disease burden of American Indians



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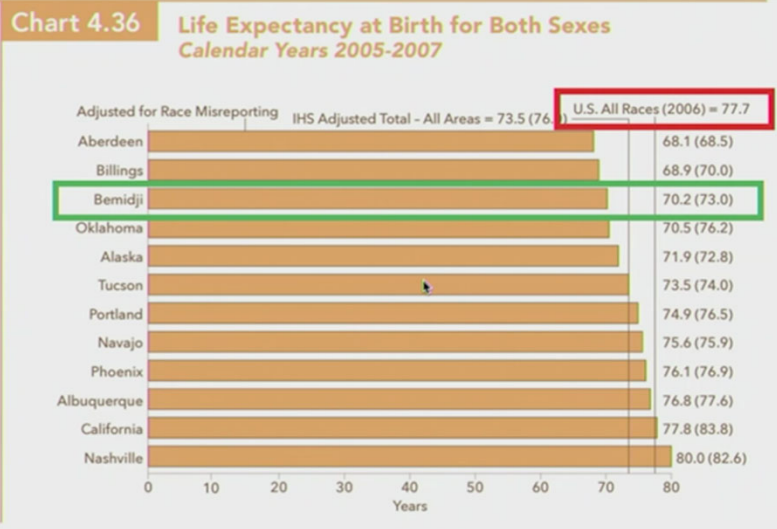
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# Cardiovascular disease burden of American Indians



Source: <https://www.ihs.gov/careerops/where-we-work/>

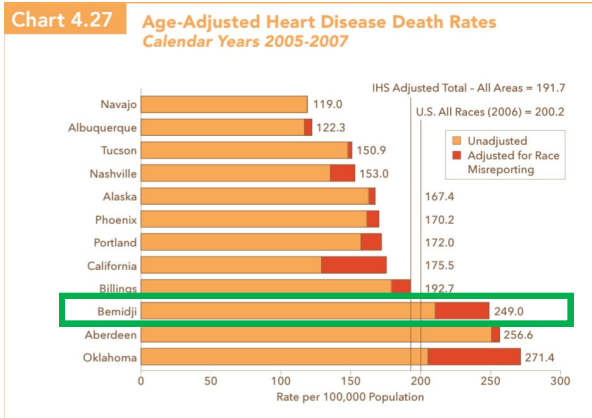
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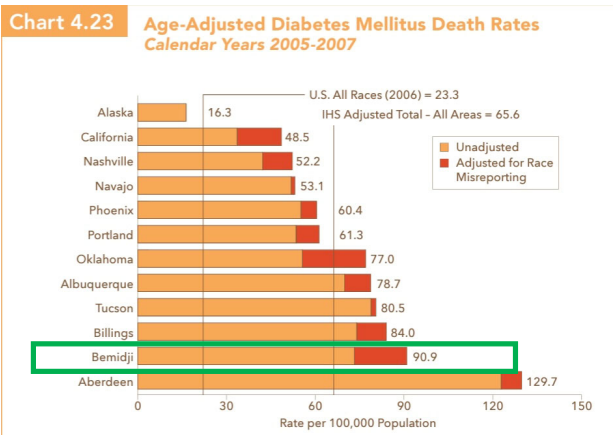
## Upper Midwest CV Burden



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## Upper Midwest Comorbidities



- Bemidji Area was found to have higher age adjusted rates of death related to diabetes compared
  - 1) US population as whole
  - 2) Other IHS areas

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## Upper Midwest Comorbidities – Inter-Tribal Heart Study 1992-94

**Table 2. Prevalence of hypertension and diabetes according to hypertensive and diabetic status: Inter-Tribal Heart Project preliminary data**

	Prevalence of Hypertension				Prevalence of Diabetes			
	Total Population		Diabetics		Total Population		Hypertensives	
	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n
<b>Age</b>								
25-44	16	61	31	8	10	26	21	8
45-64	37	157	49	45	34	93	47	45
65+	62	98	67	37	56	58	61	37
<b>Gender</b>								
Women	29	171	49	51	29	109	44	51
Men	39	146	58	39	27	68	47	39
Total	33	317	52	90	28	177	46	90

- Inter-Tribal Heart Study
  - Surveyed random sample of members of Red Lake Nation, White Earth Reservation, and Menomonie tribal members with detailed survey and physical exam in the 1990s
  - Found very high rates of T2DM among patients above 65 (~ 56%) and HTN (62%)

Casper M, et al. Blood pressure, diabetes, and body mass index among Chippewa and Menominee Indians: the Inter-Tribal Heart Project Preliminary Data. Public Health Rep. 1996;111 Suppl 2(Suppl 2):37-9.

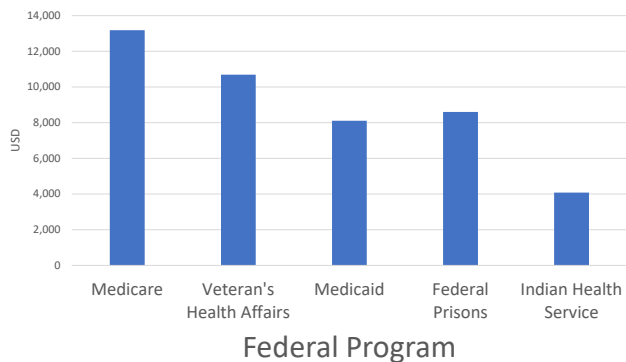
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## CHALLENGES IN PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE

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## Health Care Funding Shortfalls

GAO 2017: Federal Per Person  
 Healthcare spending



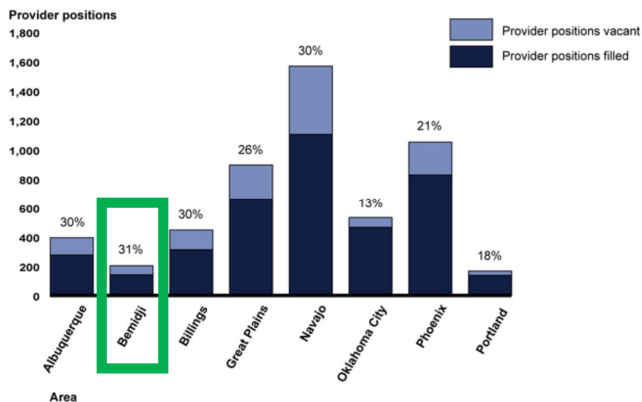
- Many US government treaties with American Indian tribes stipulated US government provision of health services, previously through Bureau of Indian Affairs
- 1954 Indian Transfer Act established Indian Health Service as vehicle for fulfilling treaty obligations
- Significant differentials in healthcare spending among federal programs

Source: <https://www.gao.gov/products/gao-19-74r>

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## Health Care Workforce Shortage

Number of Provider Positions and Vacancy Rates by IHS Area, November 2017



Source: GAO analysis of Indian Health Service (IHS) data. | GAO-18-580

Source: <https://www.gao.gov/products/gao-18-580>

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## Social Determinants of Health

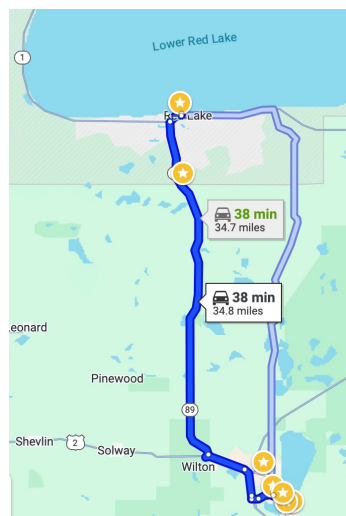
“Red Lake suffers from some of the most crippling economic conditions of any community in the country. Unemployment stands at 60%. The *average* income at Red Lake is well below the poverty level. High school graduation rates are the lowest in the state.”

– David Treuer, *Rez Life*

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## Geography

- One grocery store on Red Lake Reservation
- Bemidji is nearest major town, about 40 minute drive

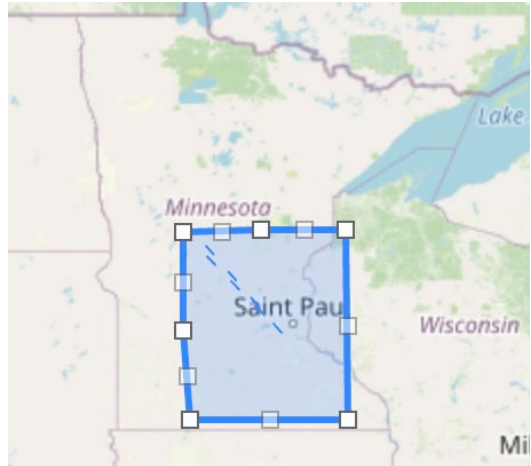


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## Geography

-“Food insecurity is endemic in many Indigenous communities<sup>40-42</sup>—of the 27 000 square miles of land on the Navajo Nation, the largest US reservation, there are only 13 grocery stores”  
- Eberly, et al.



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## ASSETS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE FUTURE

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## Asset: Task Shifting

- Task shifting = giving specific tasks to healthcare workers who have not typically done them as part of their scope of practice
- Pharmacist led clinics
  - Experience with PrEP in the Albuquerque IHS
    - Follow up required every 3 months for PrEP
    - Pharmacists with prescriptive authority to order PrEP, labs, lab data interpretation
    - Pharmacy led follow up visits
- Anecdotal experience: Red Lake IHS pharmacists
  - Job satisfaction with greater clinical responsibility

Source: <https://www.hiv.gov/blog/pharmacist-led-program-expands-access-prep-indian-health-service>

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## Asset: Telehealth

### **Telephone-Based Guideline-Directed Medical Therapy Optimization in Navajo Nation** The Hózhó Randomized Clinical Trial

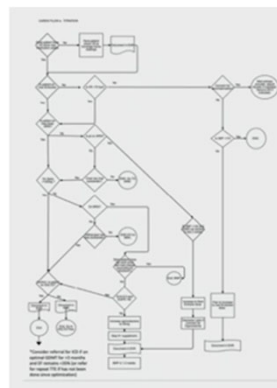
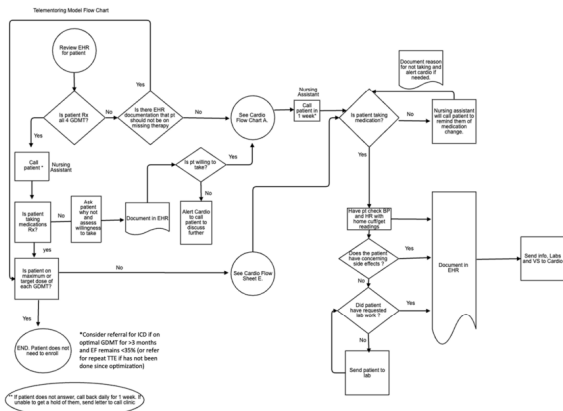
Lauren A. Eberly, MD, MPH<sup>1,2,3,4,5</sup>; Ada Tennison, CNA<sup>1</sup>; Daniel Mays, MD<sup>1</sup>; [et al](#)

- HF patients with EF < 40%, encounter at IHS site in last 12 months
- Randomized to telehealth uptitration of GDMT vs usual care
  - Stepped-wedge-cluster randomized trial
  - Each cluster crossed over into intervention every 30 days

Eberly LA, et al. Telephone-Based Guideline-Directed Medical Therapy Optimization in Navajo Nation: The Hózhó Randomized Clinical Trial. JAMA Intern Med. 2024 Jun 1;184(6):681-690.

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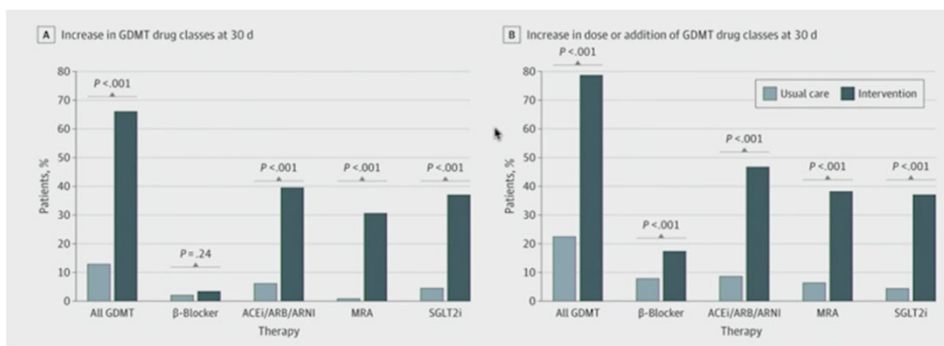
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## Asset: Telehealth

- Results
  - By end of the study
    - 96/99 patients on beta blocker (97%)
    - 89/91 patients on RASS inhibitor (98%)
    - 60/77 patients on ARNI (78%)
    - 65/77 patients on SGLT2
    - 60/77 on MRA (78%)
    - 81% on all 4 drug classes

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## Asset: Tribal Compacting

- 1990s
  - Tribal compacting - budgetary discretion to be flexible in providing services
  - Tribes can choose:
    - Direct health care services by IHS
    - Fund own programs overseen by the tribe
- Flexibility in a complex system
  - COVID-19 vaccination drive
  - Mammogram
  - Community Health Workers

Source: Kruse, et al. The Indian Health Service and American Indian/Alaska Native Health Outcomes. Annual Review of Public Health 2022

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## Opportunities

- Diagnostic innovations
  - Artificial intelligence – EKG, diagnostic imaging
- Therapeutic innovations
  - Inclisiran - longer acting duration may aide with adherence
- Community-led innovations and initiatives

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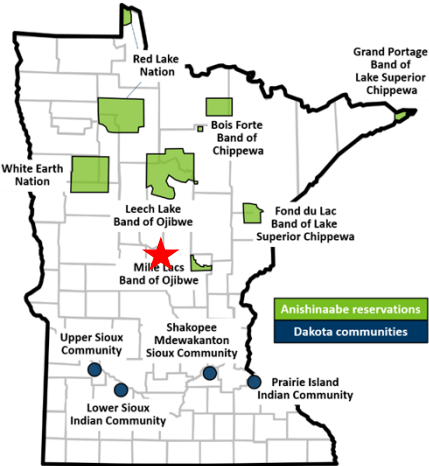
## Opportunities

- Hard work of delivering high quality care consistently for multiple chronic illnesses
  - Diabetes care
  - Hypertension
  - Hyperlipidemia
  - Cardiovascular disease
- Addressing social determinants of health in prevention
  - Food deserts
  - Economic and social factors

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**MHI Baxter**

- Cardiology specialty care
- Sub-specialty cardiologists
- Diagnostics
  - Cardiac CT
  - Stress Echo
  - Nuclear perfusion



The map displays the state of Minnesota with various tribal lands highlighted. Anishinaabe reservations are shown in light green and include Red Lake Nation, White Earth Nation, Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, Bois Forte Band of Chippewa, Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, and Milk Lake Band of Ojibwe. Dakota communities are shown in dark blue and include Upper Sioux Community, Lower Sioux Indian Community, Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community, and Prairie Island Indian Community. Grand Portage Band of Lake Superior Chippewa is also labeled. A red star is placed on the Milk Lake Band of Ojibwe reservation. A legend in the bottom right corner identifies the green areas as 'Anishinaabe reservations' and the blue areas as 'Dakota communities'.

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“Do we see [human disparity] as a human predicament--an inescapable result of frailty of our existence? That would be correct had these sufferings been really inescapable, but they are far from that. Preventable diseases can indeed be prevented, curable ailments can certainly be cured, and controllable maladies call out for control. Rather than lamenting the adversity of nature, we have to look for a better comprehension of the social causes of horror and also of our tolerance of societal abominations.” - Amartya Sen

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