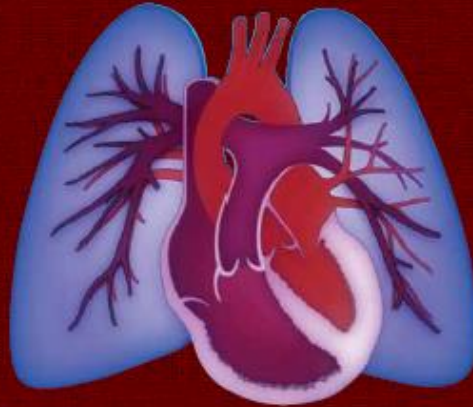


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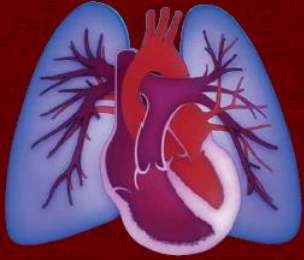
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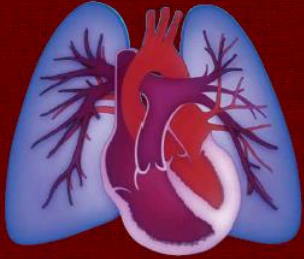
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1865: Julius Klob, a pathologist from Austria,
described the “**endarteriitis pulmonalis deformans**” as

“a disease that is characterized by an increase in mass
of the inner vessel skin which grows out to form a
pseudomembraneous connective tissue”

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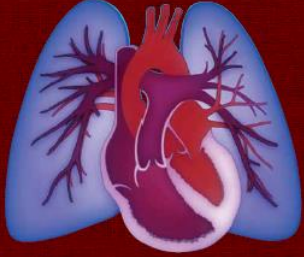
“this entity was occasionally—but not always—associated
with inflammation”.



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1891: the first description of pulmonary vascular disorders
by Ernst von Romberg
“**On sclerosis of pulmonary arteries**”

Romberg E. Ueber sklerose der lungen arterie.
Dtsch Archiv Klin Med 1891;48:197–206.



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“primary pulmonary vascular sclerosis”

“right ventricular hypertrophy of obscure origin”

“idiopathic pulmonary hypertension”

Primary Pulmonary Hypertension*

I. Clinical and Hemodynamic Study

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PULMONARY hypertension is known to occur in association with left heart failure, chronic pulmonary disease, certain types of congenital heart disease (especially those with increased pulmonary blood flow), diffuse pulmonary embolism, kyphoscoliotic heart disease and specific affections of the pulmonary vascular bed. There is also a primary form of pulmonary hypertension, which is defined as that condition in which an elevated pulmonary artery pressure exists without demonstrable cause. We believe that primary pulmonary hypertension, which has emerged as a distinct entity since the advent of right heart catheterization,¹ is the cause of isolated right ventricular hypertrophy²⁻²² whether or not associated with pulmonary vascular sclerosis.

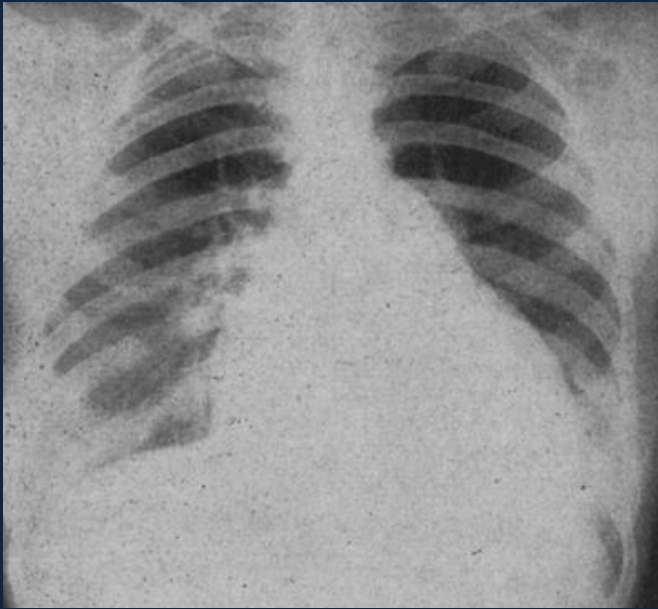
Hypertrophy of the right ventricle in the absence of the previously mentioned disorders was reported by Romberg²³ in 1891. There has been considerable speculation concerning the primary role of pulmonary hypertension^{12,16-19} in this condition. Since pulmonary vascular sclerosis was not constantly found, doubt was cast on hypertension in the lesser circulation as the cause of the right ventricular hypertrophy. De Navasquez et al.,²⁷ for example, preferred to designate their cases as "idiopathic right ventricular hypertrophy"²⁸ rather than introduce the concept of pulmonary hypertension since no significant changes were found in the pulmonary blood vessels in their cases at necropsy.

Autopsied cases which we consider to fall into the category of primary pulmonary hypertension have been reported under various titles, such as "primary pulmonary vascular sclerosis,"^{12,16,21} "right ventricular hypertrophy of unknown origin: so-called pulmonary hypertension,"¹³ "isolated hypertrophy of the right ventricle of the heart of unknown cause."²⁰ These titles

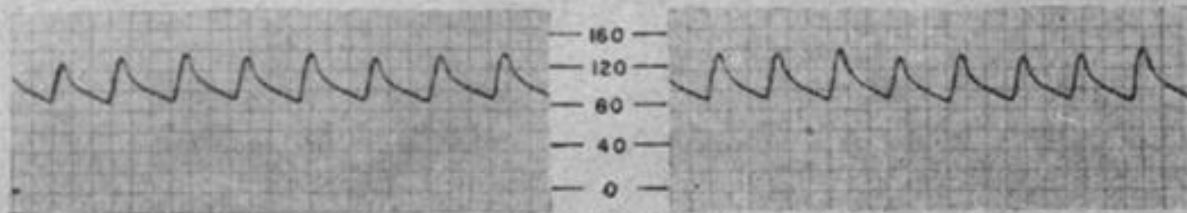
stressed different facets of the pathophysiologic features of this disease. All cases showed marked right ventricular hypertrophy, but the nature, distribution and severity of the pulmonary vascular changes proximal to the capillaries showed considerable variation. The predominant changes were atheromatous lesions of the stem and large elastic arteries, alone or in conjunction with fibrous intimal thickening and narrowing of the smaller arteries and arterioles. Medial hypertrophy was occasionally noted. In about half of the reported cases occlusive lesions of the smaller arteries and arterioles were described. Most of these changes have been ascribed to intimal sclerosis and some to thrombi in various stages of organization. A small group remains in which the pathogenesis of the occlusive lesions cannot be definitely established and may conceivably represent organized pulmonary emboli or healed inflammatory lesions. The last group, of course, would not fit into the category of primary pulmonary hypertension. Whether the obliterative sclerosis or thrombosis, when seen, is the cause or the effect of the hypertension has evoked considerable difference of opinion. Arguments against the primary role of the vascular changes are (1) the absence of these findings in some cases of isolated right ventricular hypertrophy,^{8,19,16,18,17,20,22} one of which was proven to have pulmonary hypertension by heart catheterization,²² and (2) the finding of pulmonary arteriosclerosis unassociated with right ventricular hypertrophy.¹³

Ten^{23,26-27} catheterized cases of pulmonary hypertension without demonstrable cause have been mentioned in the literature. Although Nellen²⁸ reported two cases with hemodynamic studies as "idiopathic pulmonary hypertension," they are not included because of extensive thromboses involving the major pulmonary

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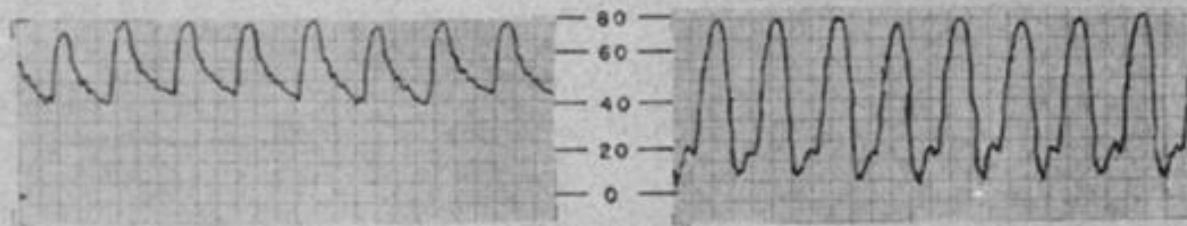
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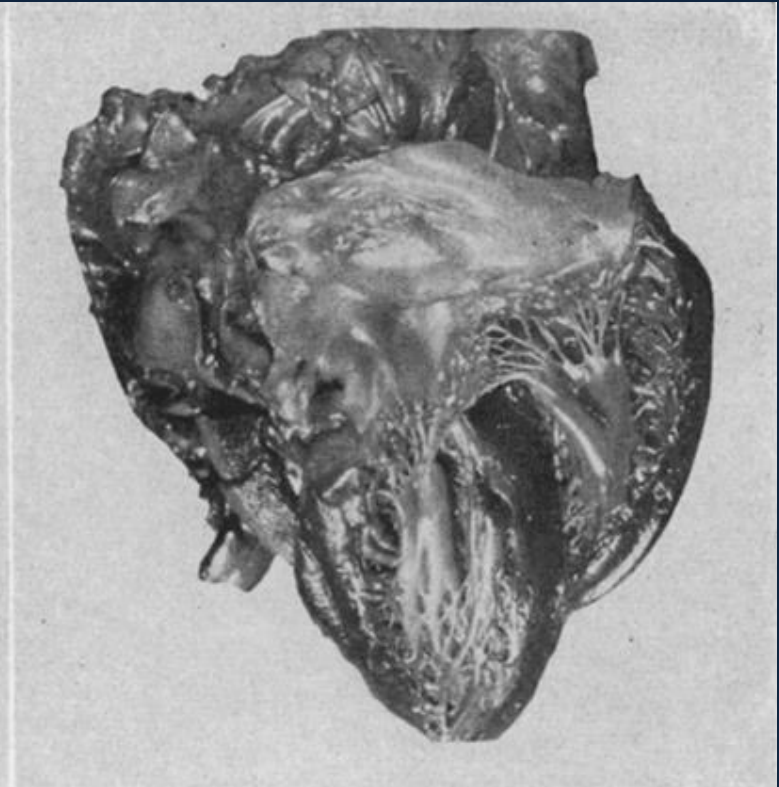
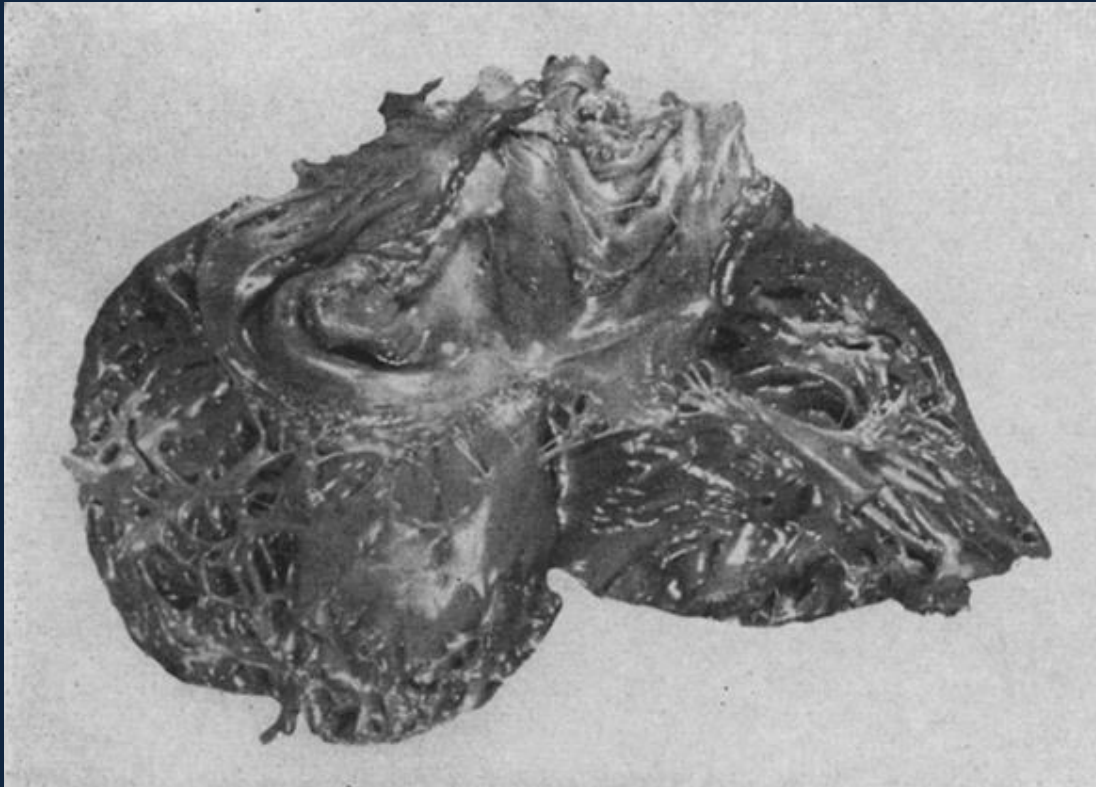
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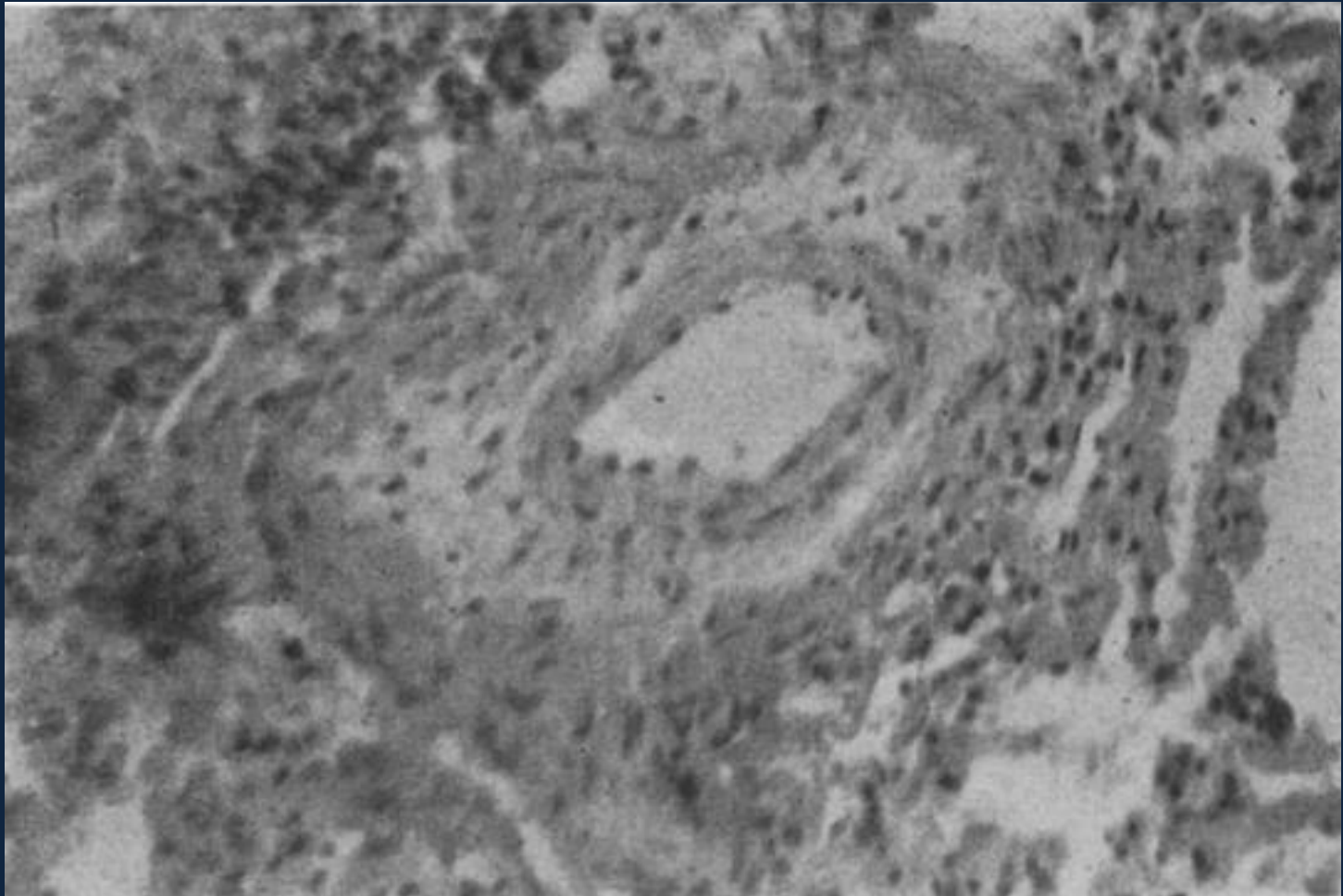
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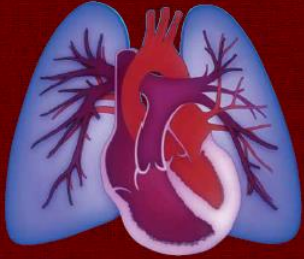
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RIGHT VENTRICLE

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1960: the first WHO meeting on pulmonary circulation
an expert committee on chronic cor pulmonale

chronic cor pulmonale classification:

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- **air passages** of the lung and the alveoli
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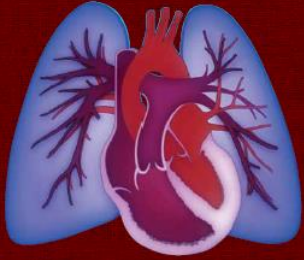
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2nd WSPH

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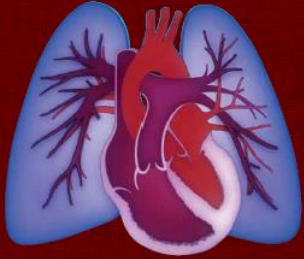
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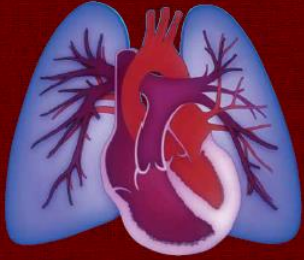
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Dana Point, 2008

4th WSPH

Table 2 Updated Clinical Classification of Pulmonary Hypertension (Dana Point, 2008)

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Clinical classification of Pulmonary Hypertension (ESC/ERS guidelines 2015)

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1.1 Idiopathic 1.2 Heritable 1.2.1 BMPR2 mutation 1.2.2 Other mutations 1.3 Drugs and toxins induced 1.4 Associated with: 1.4.1 Connective tissue disease 1.4.2 Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection 1.4.3 Portal hypertension 1.4.4 Congenital heart disease (Table 6) 1.4.5 Schistosomiasis
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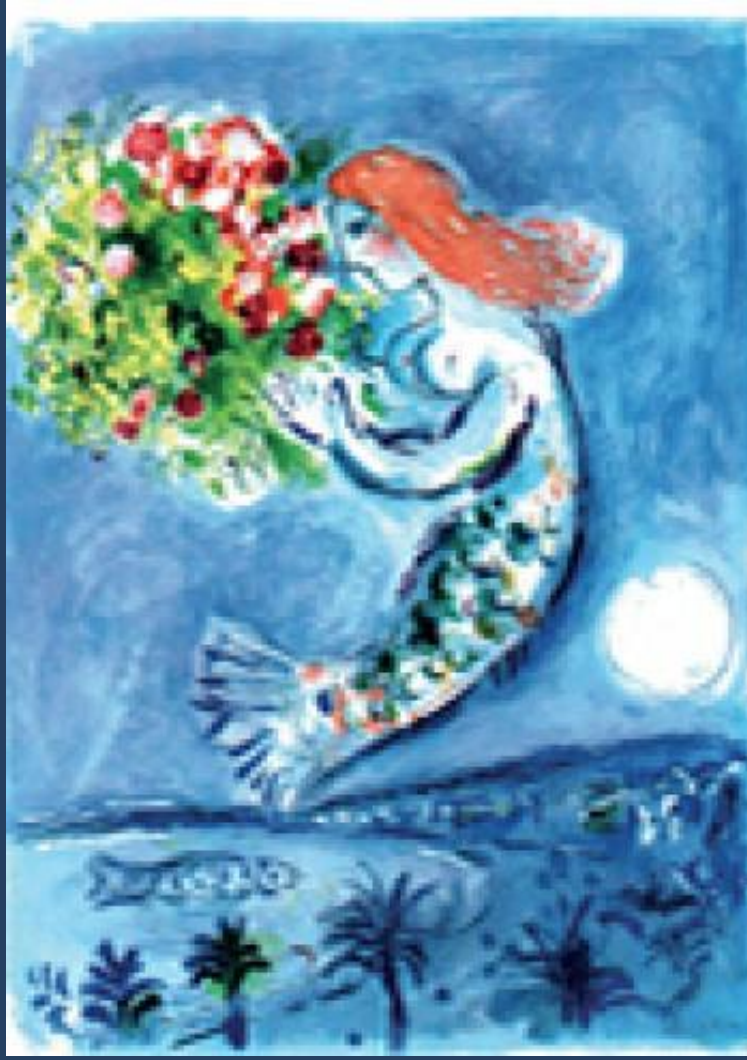
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WORLD SYMPOSIUM ON PULMONARY HYPERTENSION



A global view of pulmonary hypertension

Pulmonary hypertension

is becoming an increasing common
global health issue

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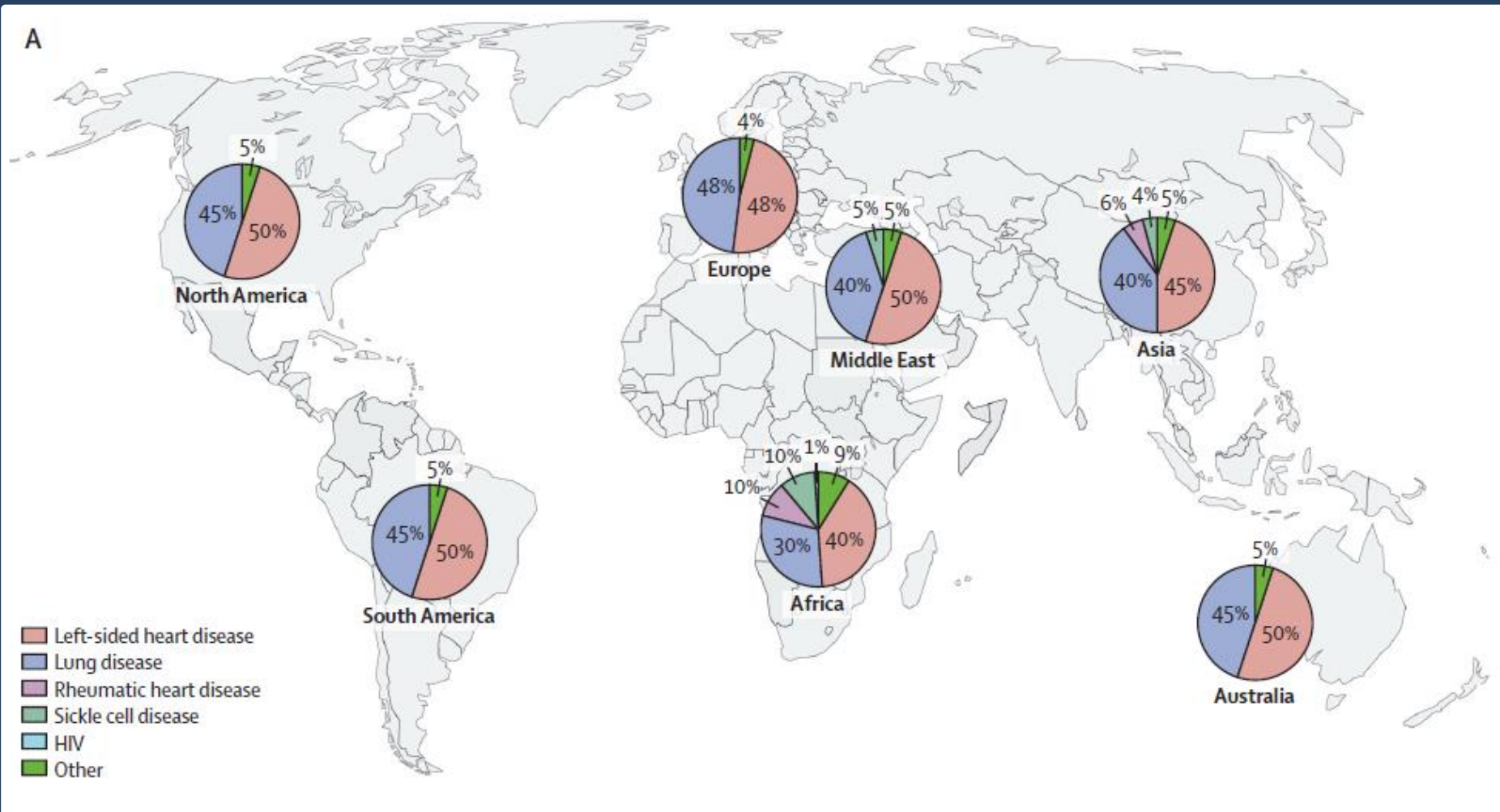
especially the idiopathic form

- is a **rare disease** - incidence of 2–5 per million adults
- is increasingly being diagnosed in elderly people

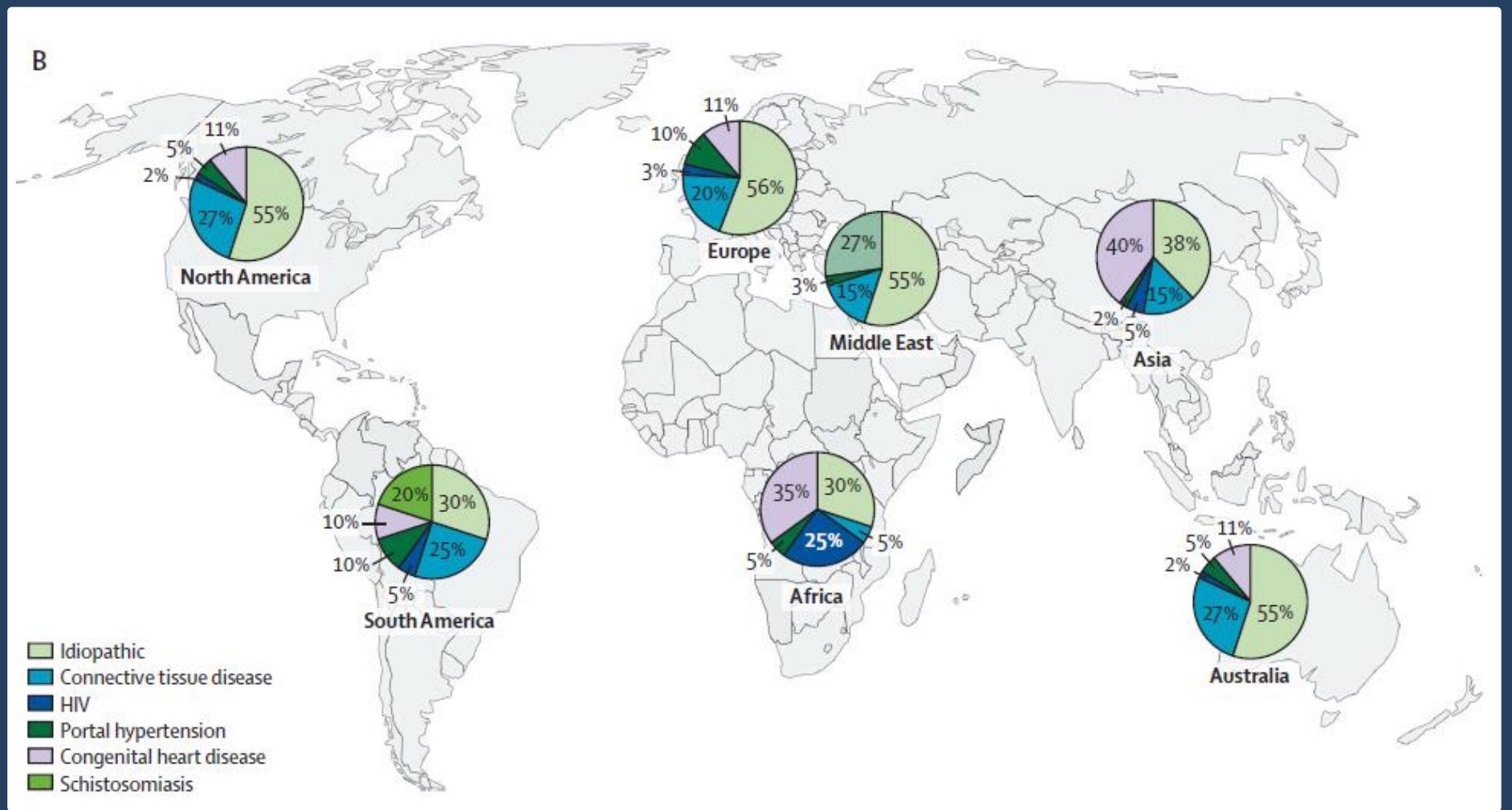
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- **Left-sided heart failure**, particularly HFpEF, is becoming a **leading cause** of PH, *affecting 5–10% of individuals aged 65 years or older*
- **Lung disease**, especially COPD, is another **leading cause** of PH
- **Schistosomiasis, HIV infection, post-streptococcal rheumatic heart disease, & sickle cell disease** are **frequent causes** of pulmonary hypertension in countries where *these diseases are still endemic*

Estimated global distribution of the most prevalent forms of pulmonary hypertension



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Haemodynamic definition of Pulmonary Hypertension

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PH guidelines 2015

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Passive	TPG ≤ 12 mmHg	TPG
Reactive (out of proportion)	TPG > 12 mmHg	

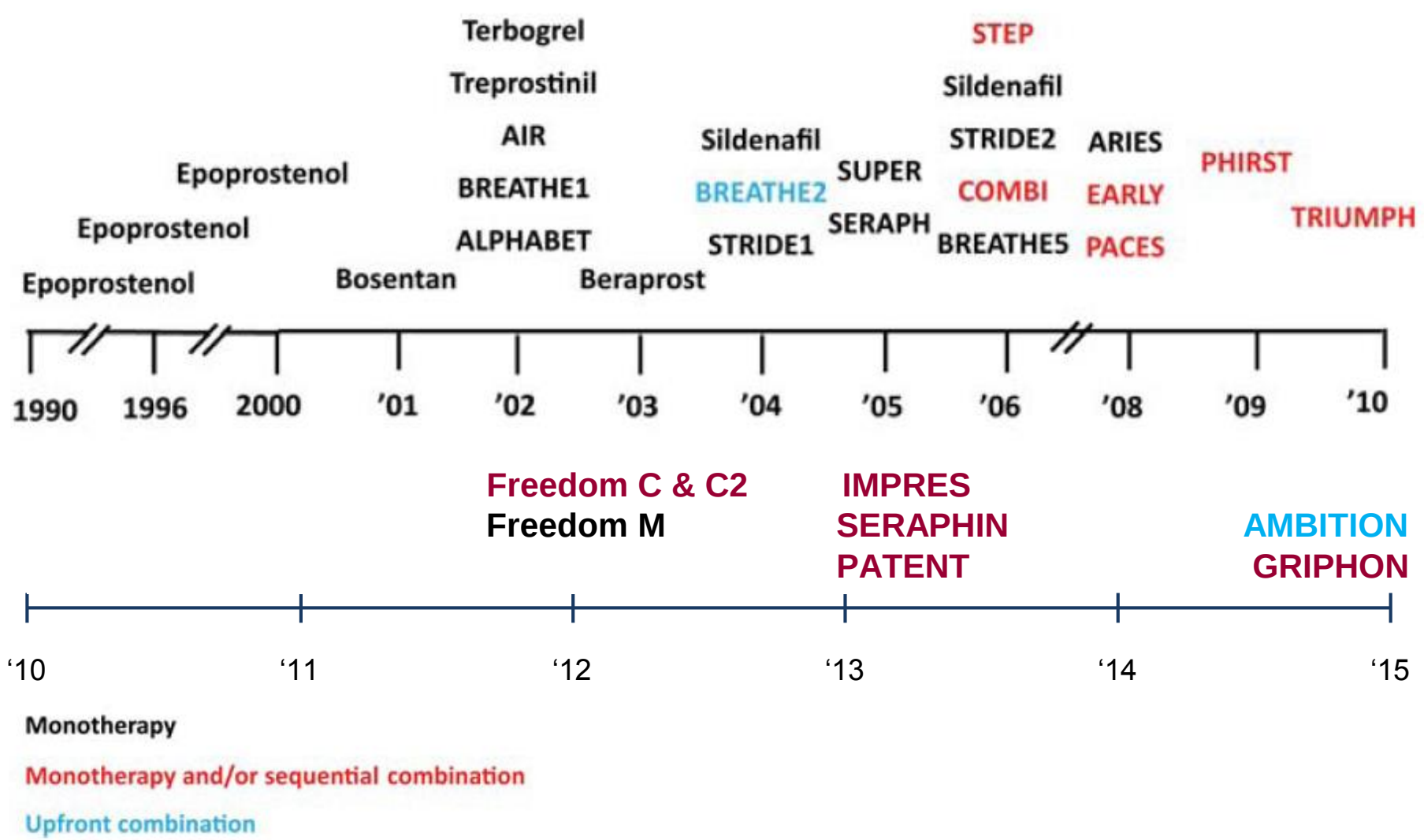
^aAll values measured at rest.

^bAccording to Table 4.

^cHigh CO can be present in cases of hyperkinetic conditions such as systemic-to-pulmonary shunts (only in the pulmonary circulation), anaemia, hyperthyroidism, etc.

CO = cardiac output; PAP = pulmonary arterial pressure; PH = pulmonary hypertension; PWP = pulmonary wedge pressure; TPG = transpulmonary pressure gradient (mean PAP – mean PWP).

Clinical trials in PAH





WSPH; ESC/ERS guidelines

Future guidelines

Improvement in diagnostic tools

Genetics/epigenetics

Biomarkers/imaging

Continuous hemodynamic monitoring/tele-medicine

Improvement in treatment

Treatment strategies (eg, combination therapies)

Novel targets/disease modifying therapies

Interventional therapies (eg, pulmonary artery denervation)

General/supportive therapies

1st
WSPH
Geneva
(1973)

2nd
WSPH
Evian
(1998)

3rd
WSPH
Venice
(2003)

4th
WSPH
Dana Point
(2008)

5th
WSPH
Nice
(2013)

6th
WSPH
Nice
(2018)

Madrid cohort

1984-2004

2005-
2009

2010-
2014

Approval of targeted PAH drugs

Epoprostenol
(1995)

Treprostinil
(2001)

Bosentan
(2002)

Iloprost
(2003)

Sildenafil
(2005)

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(2008)

Tadalafil
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Riociguat
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1984

1994

2004

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2024

2034

2044

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Acute vasoreactivity test (A for IPAH)
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NON-RESPONDER

WHO Class I-IV

Amlodipine, diltiazem,
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YES

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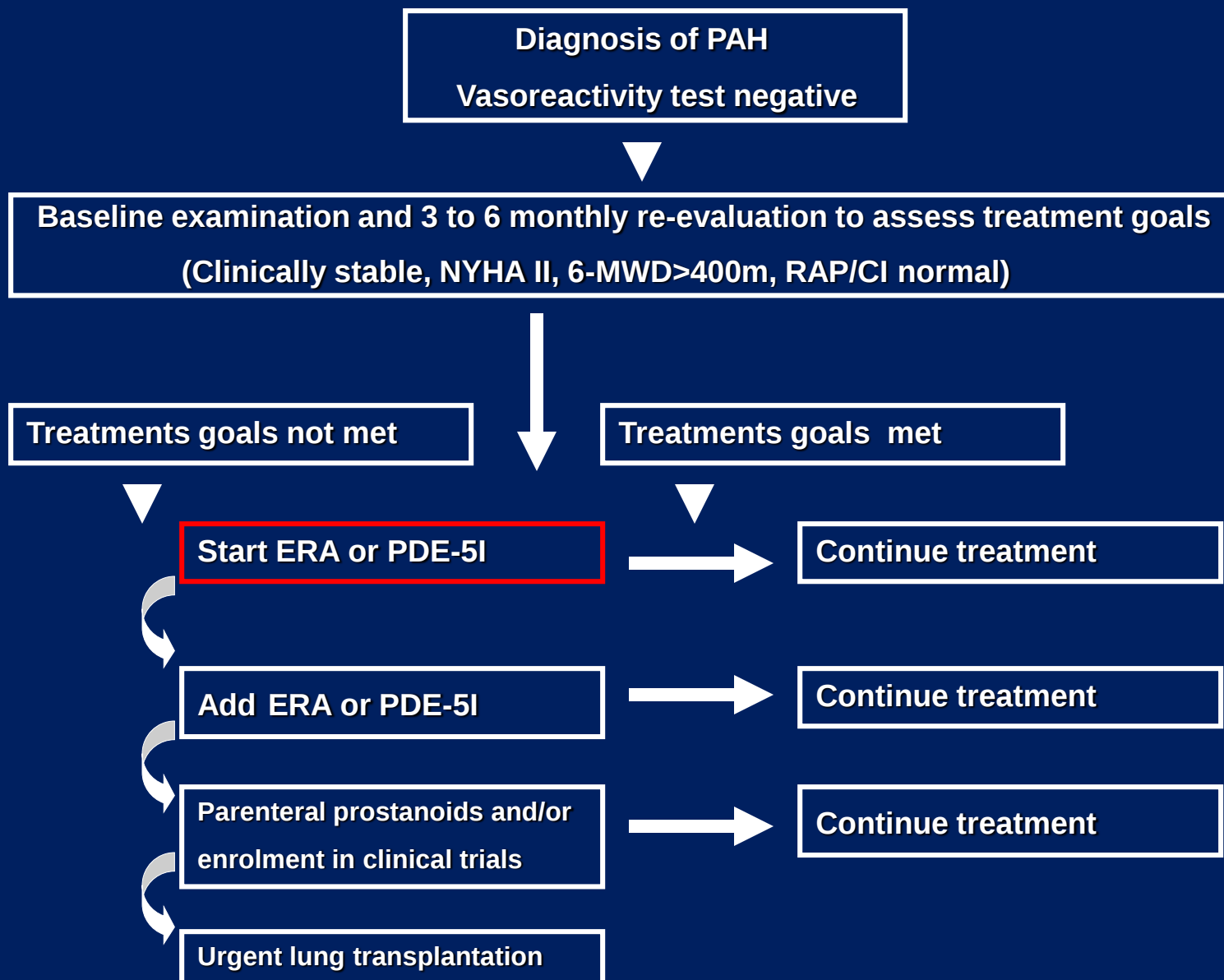
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Baseline examination and 3 to 6 monthly re-evaluation to assess treatment goals
(Clinically stable, NYHA II, 6-MWD>400m, RAP/CI normal)

2015..... : New drugs / New strategies

Treatments goals not met

Treatments goals met

Start ERA or PDE-5I

Continue treatment

Add ERA or PDE-5I

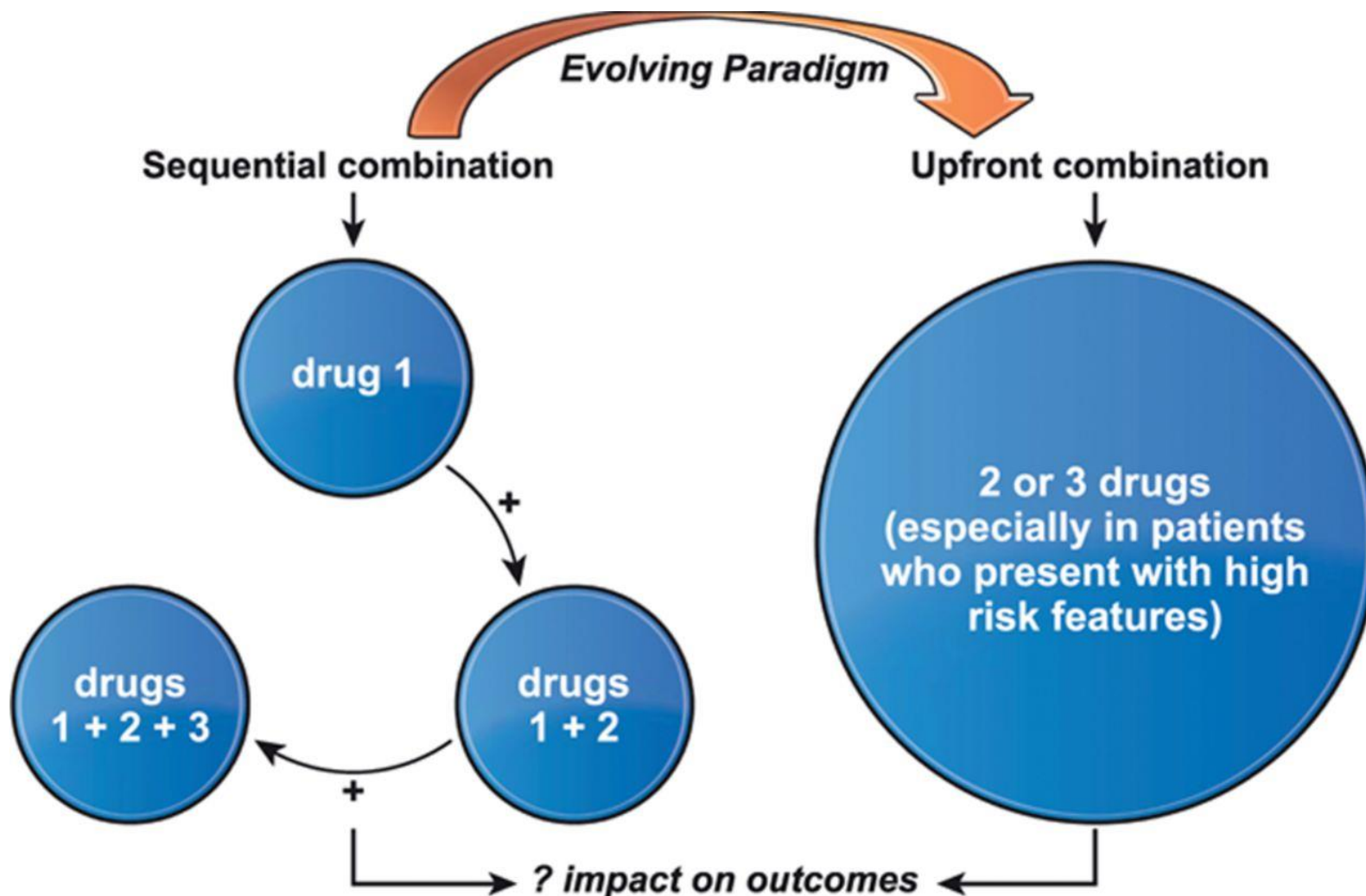
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Parenteral prostanoids and/or
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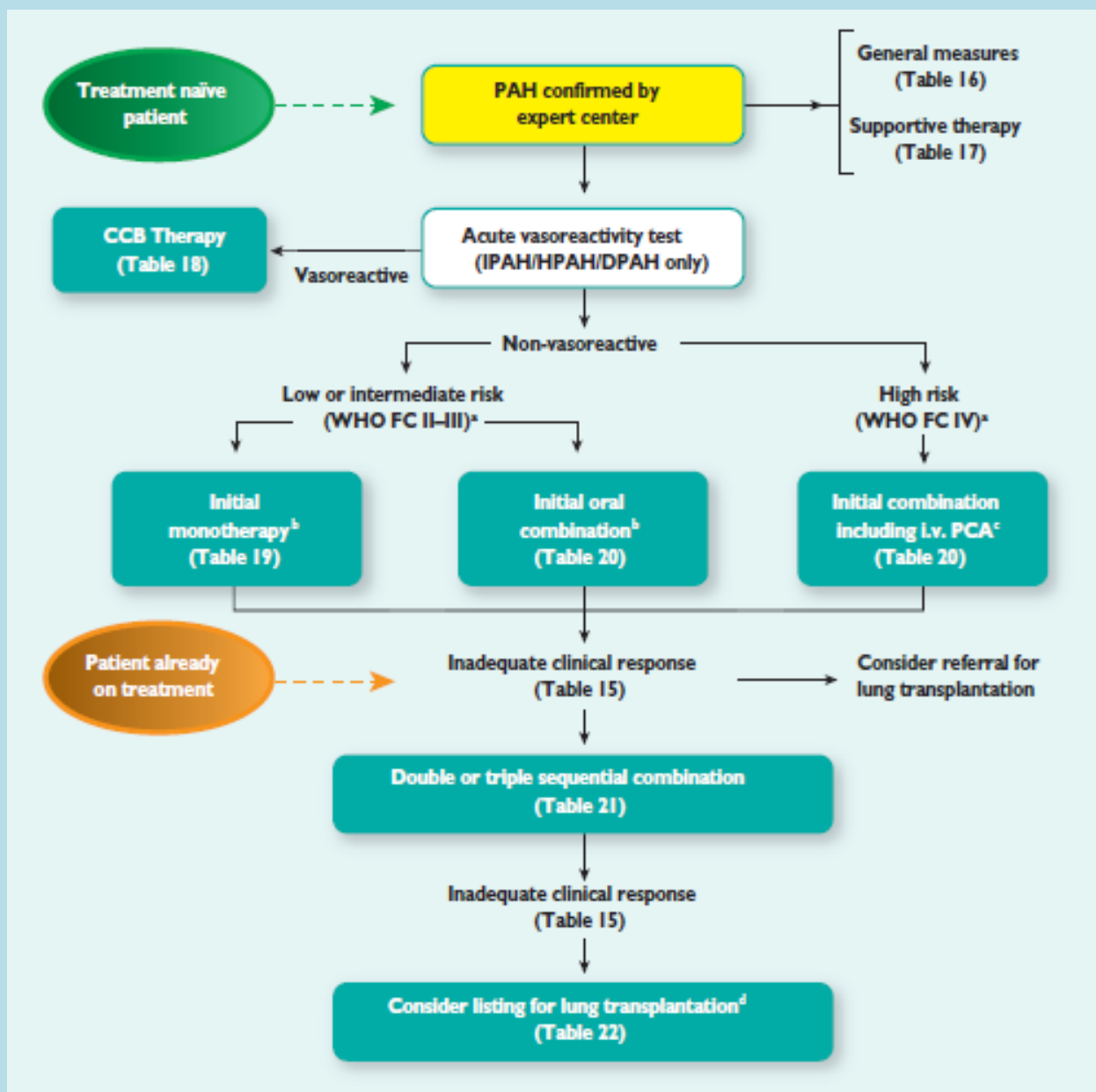
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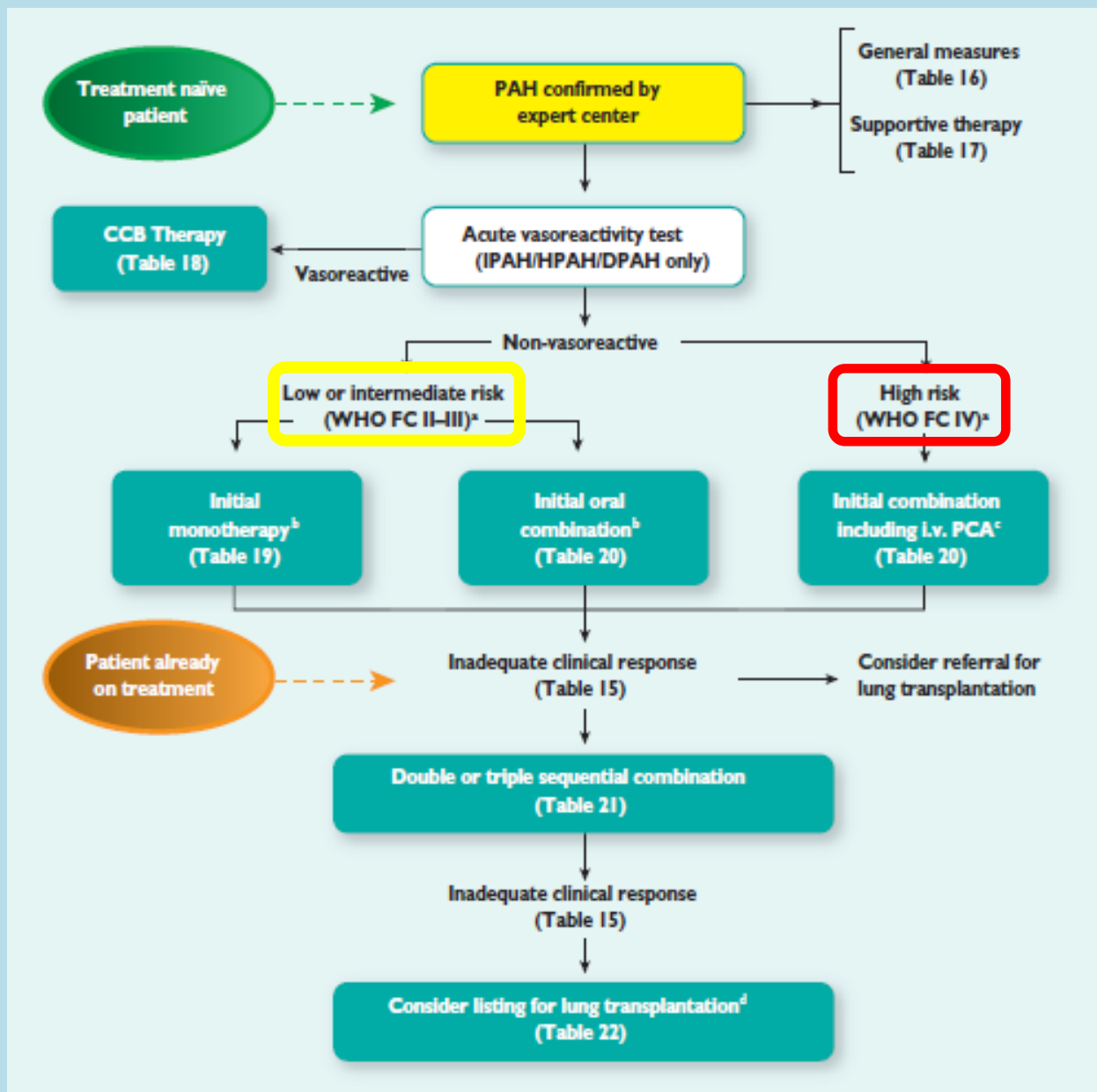


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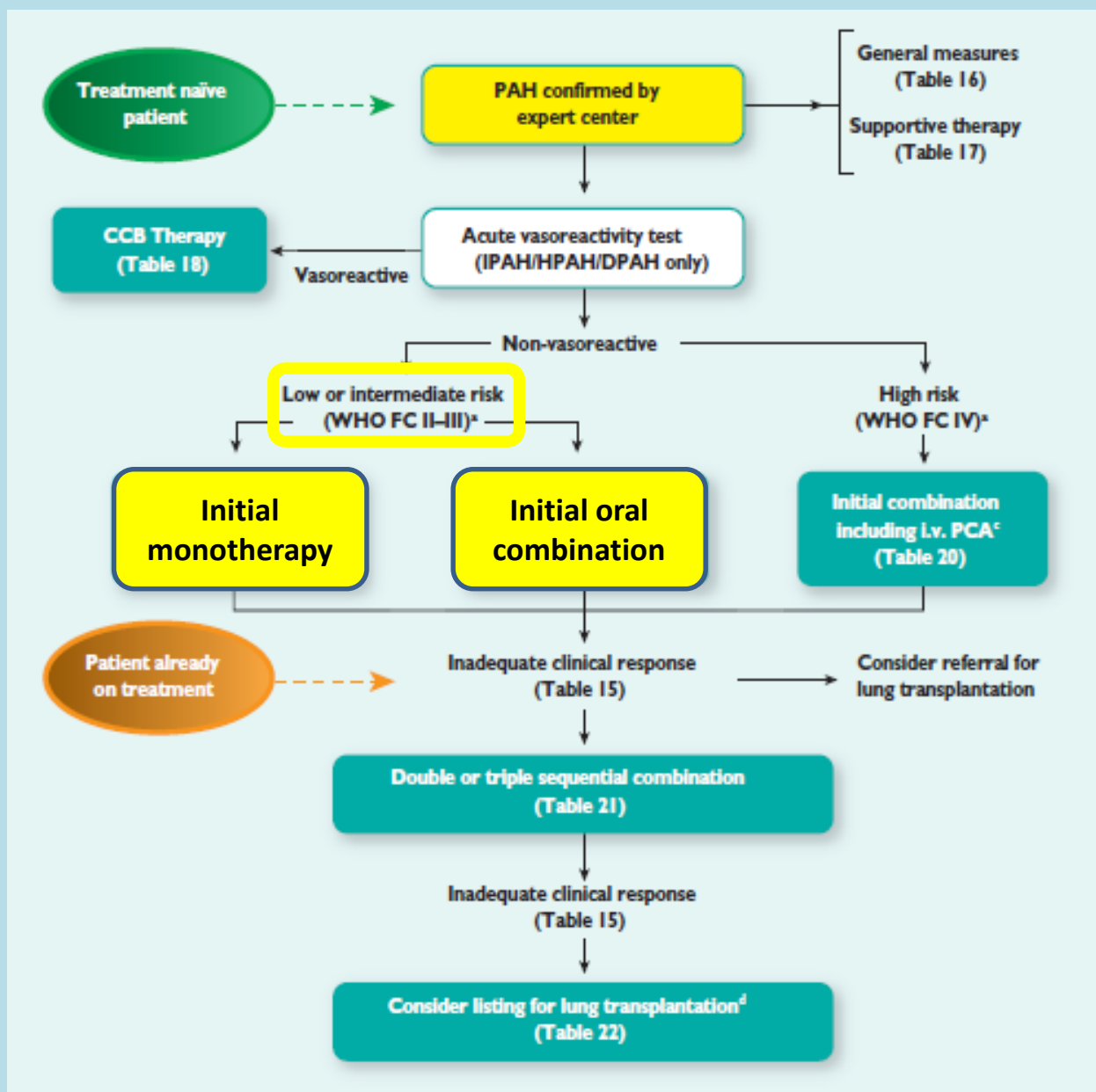
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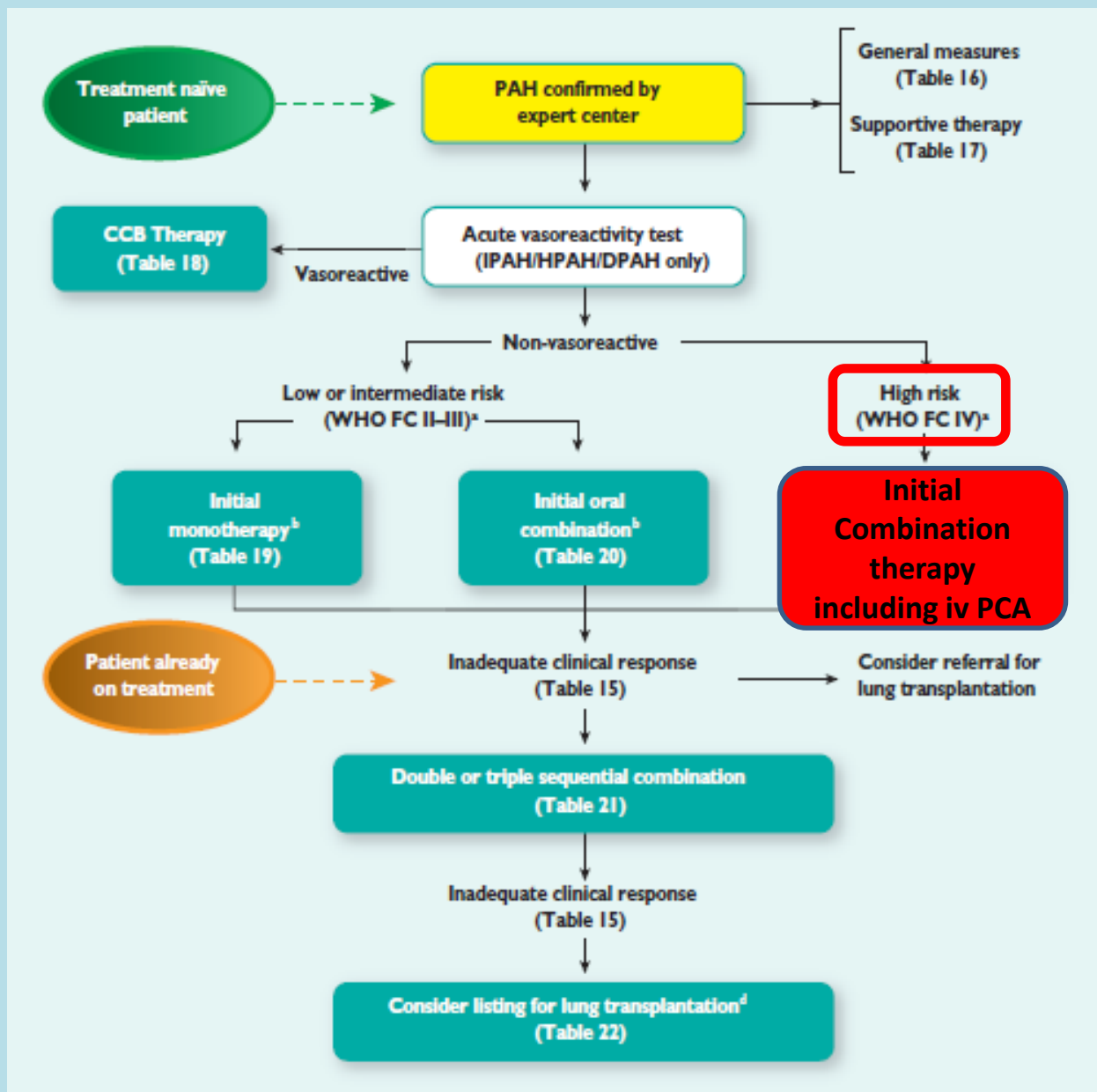
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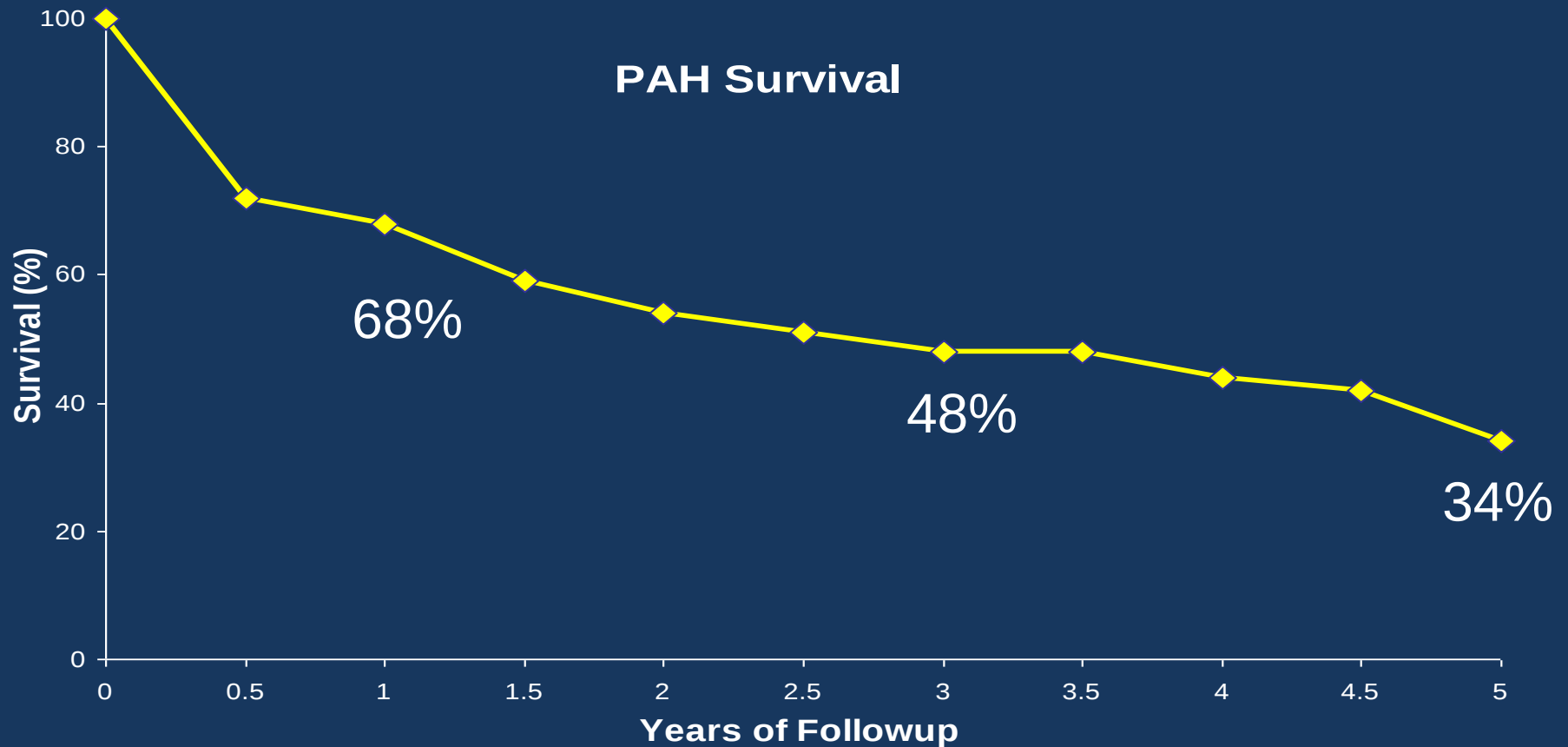
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NT-proBNP plasma levels	BNP <50 ng/l NT-proBNP <300 ng/ml	BNP 50–300 ng/l NT-proBNP 300–1400 ng/l	BNP >300 ng/l NT-proBNP >1400 ng/l
Imaging (echocardiography, CMR imaging)	RA area <18 cm ² No pericardial effusion	RA area 18–26 cm ² No or minimal, pericardial effusion	RA area >26 cm ² Pericardial effusion
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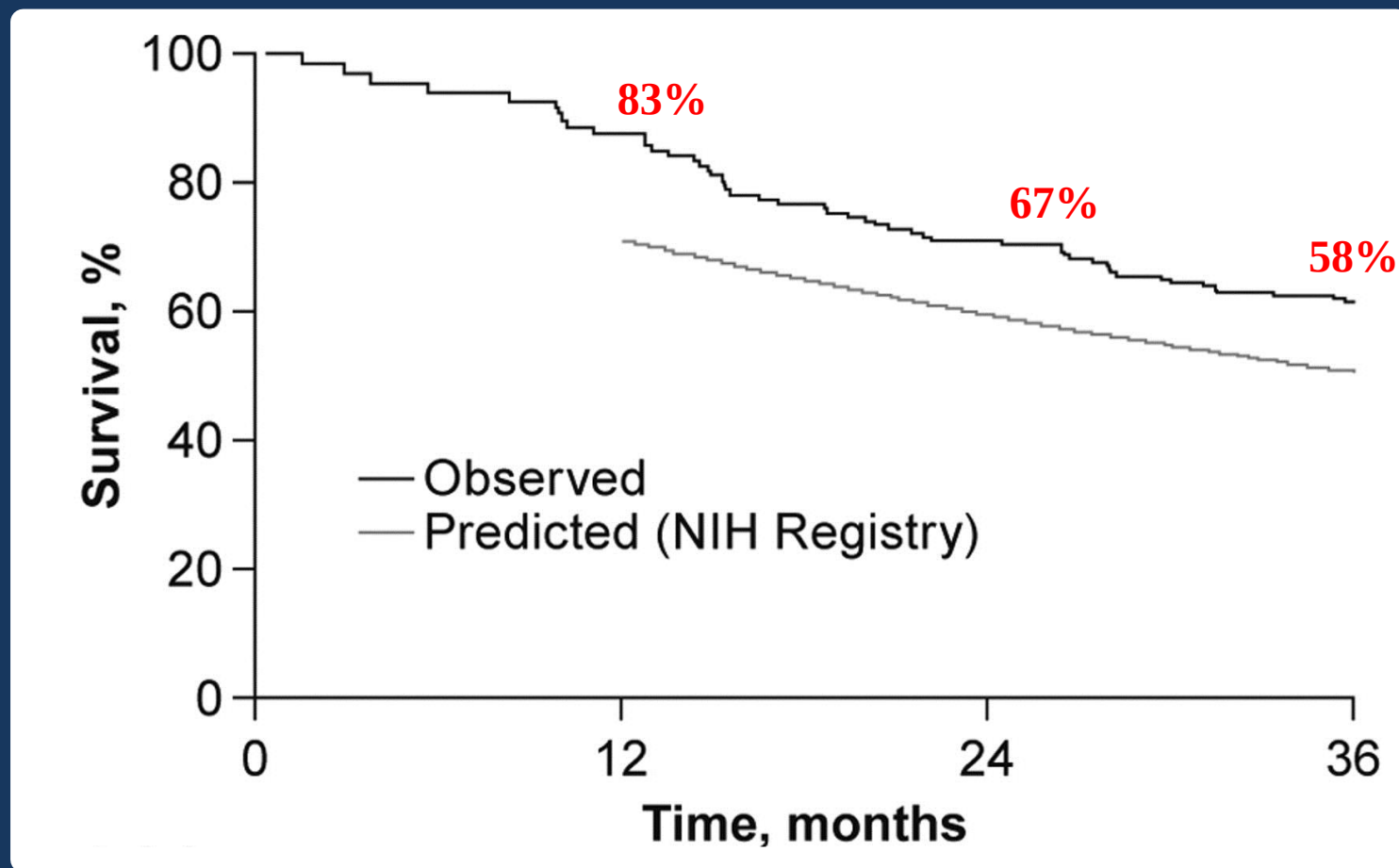
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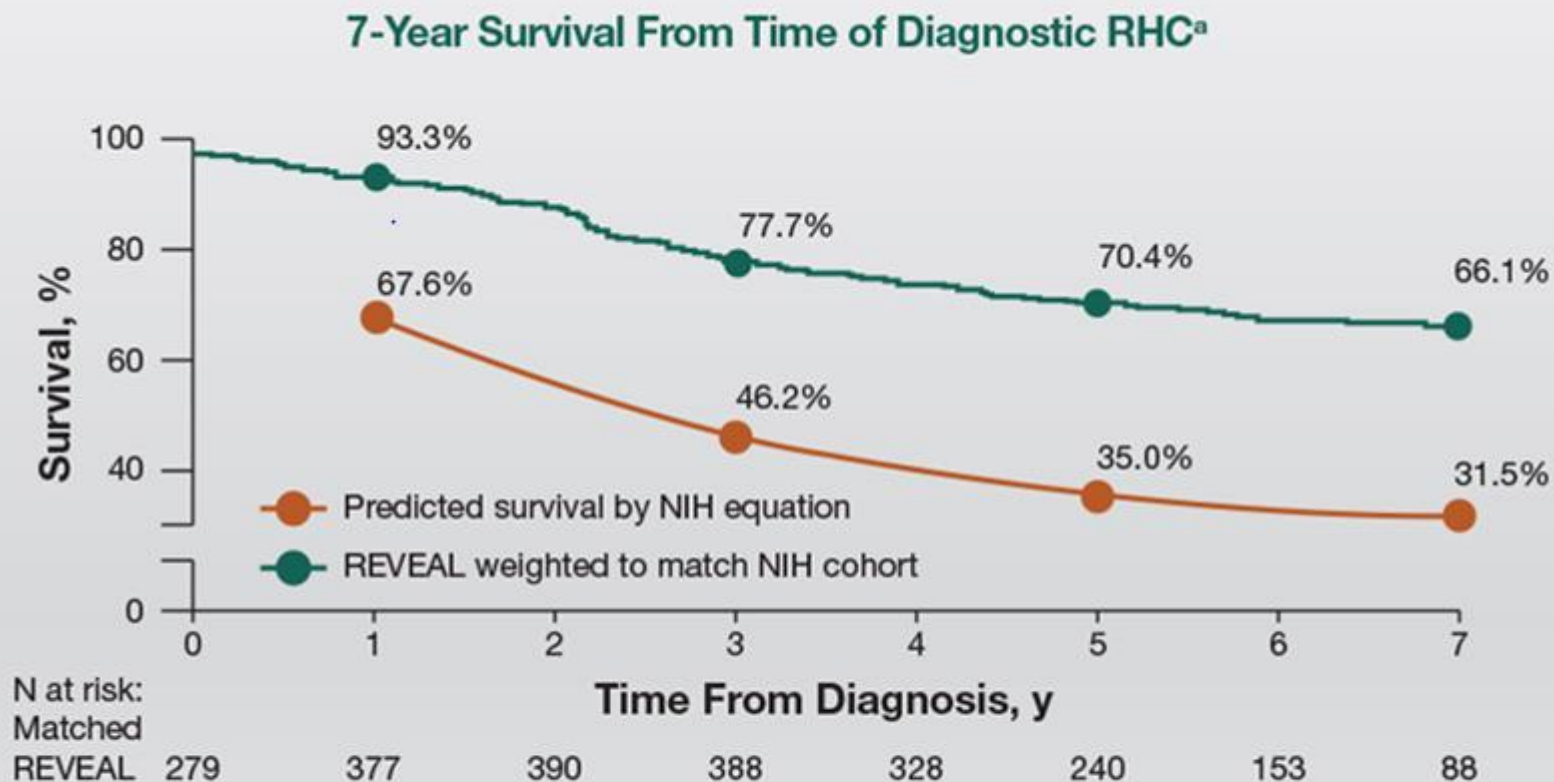


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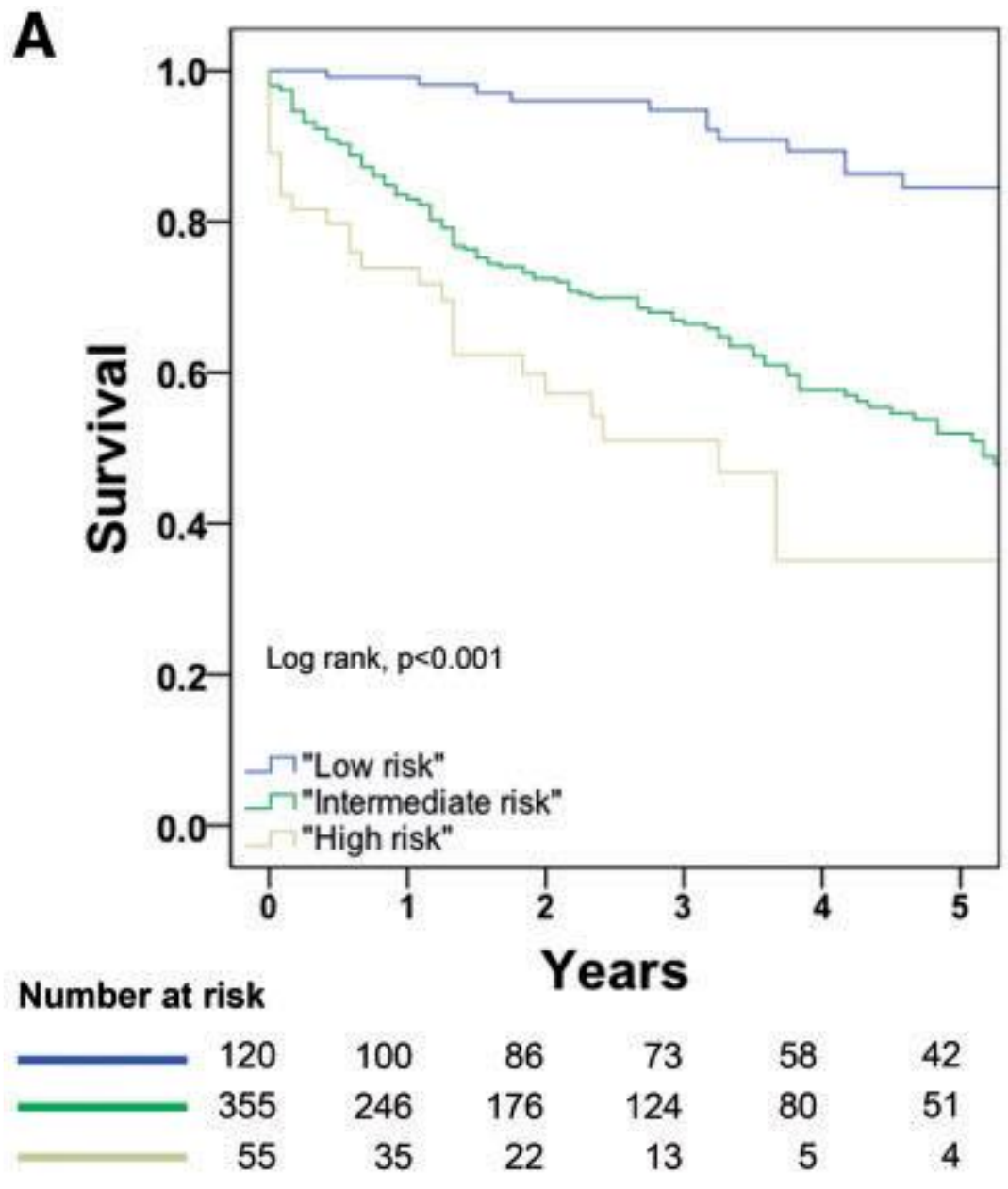


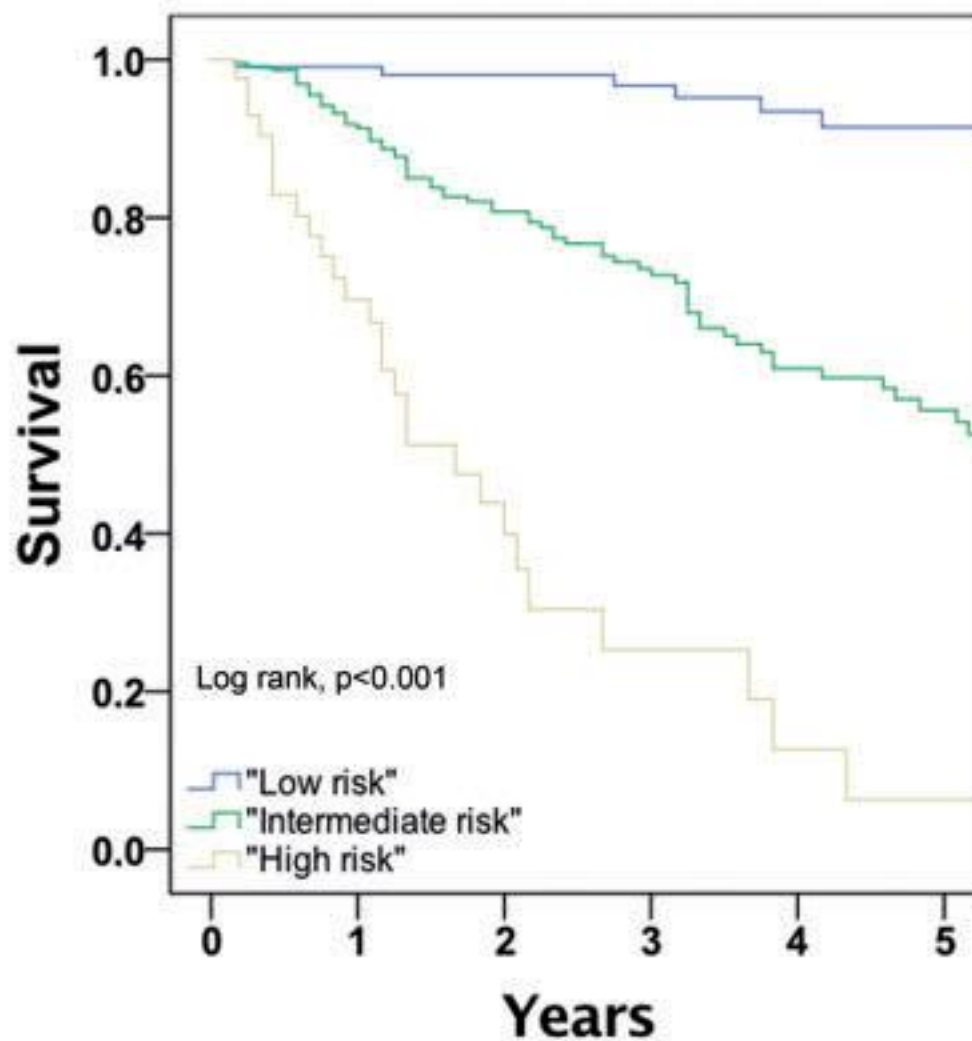
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Despite Improvements in Survival PAH is Still Associated With High Mortality

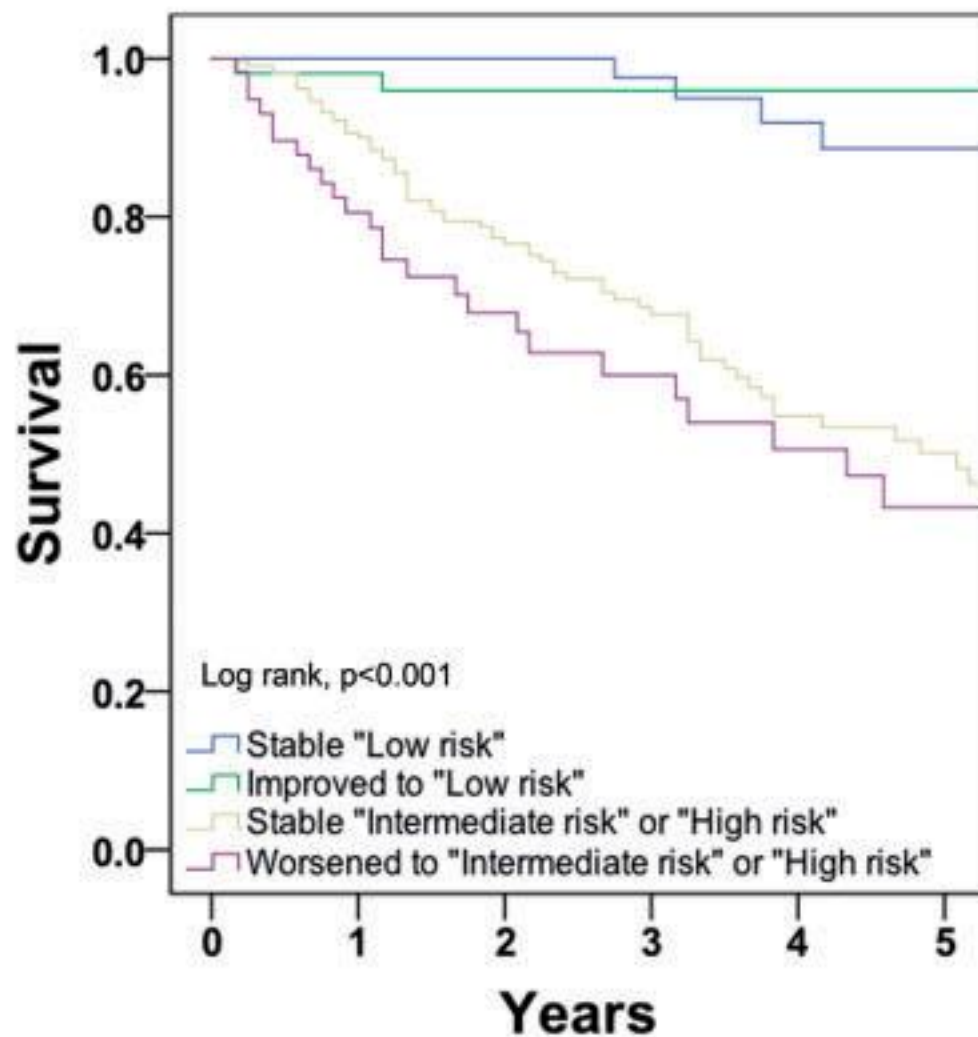


^a REVEAL registry cohort weighted to match age, sex, and mean pulmonary artery pressure distribution of NIH cohort. Cohort consisted of patients who met the NIH criteria (ie, had iPAH or fPAH and a pulmonary capillary wedge pressure of ≤ 12 mm Hg), and initiated an ERA, PDE5 inhibitor, or prostacyclin analogue within 6 mo of diagnostic RHC.

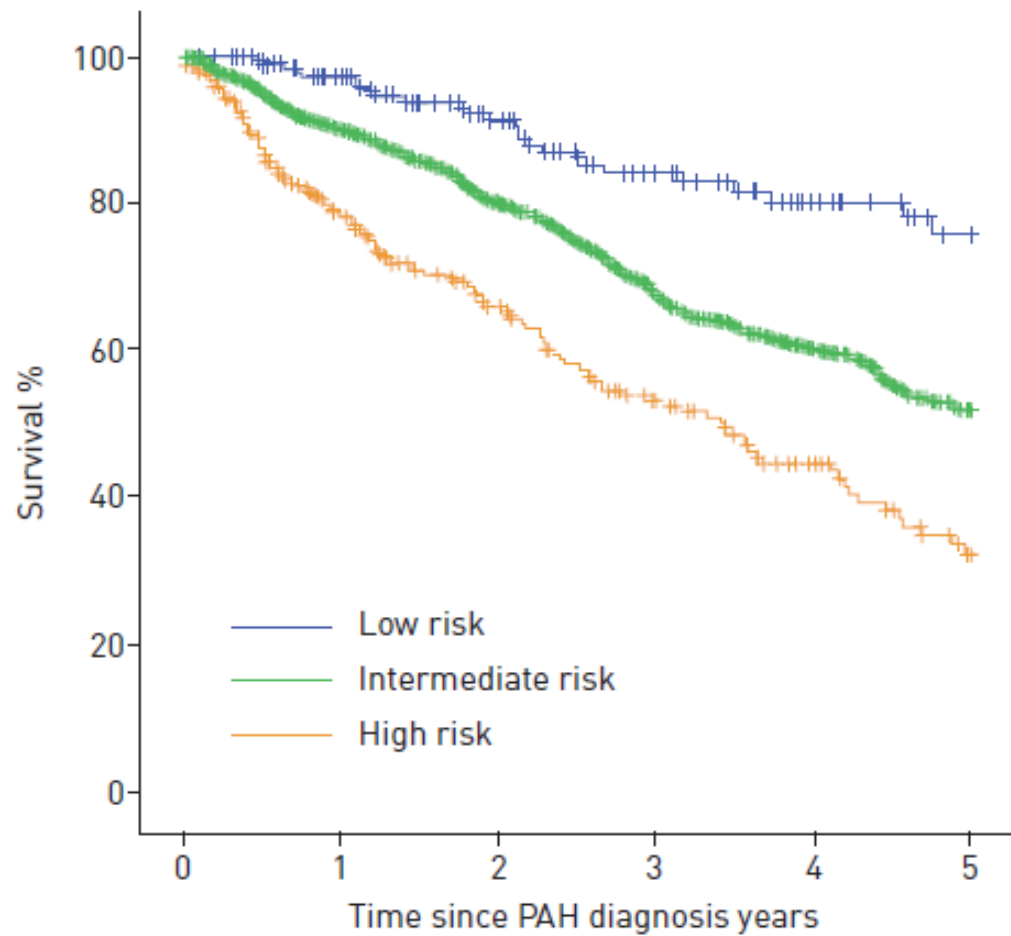


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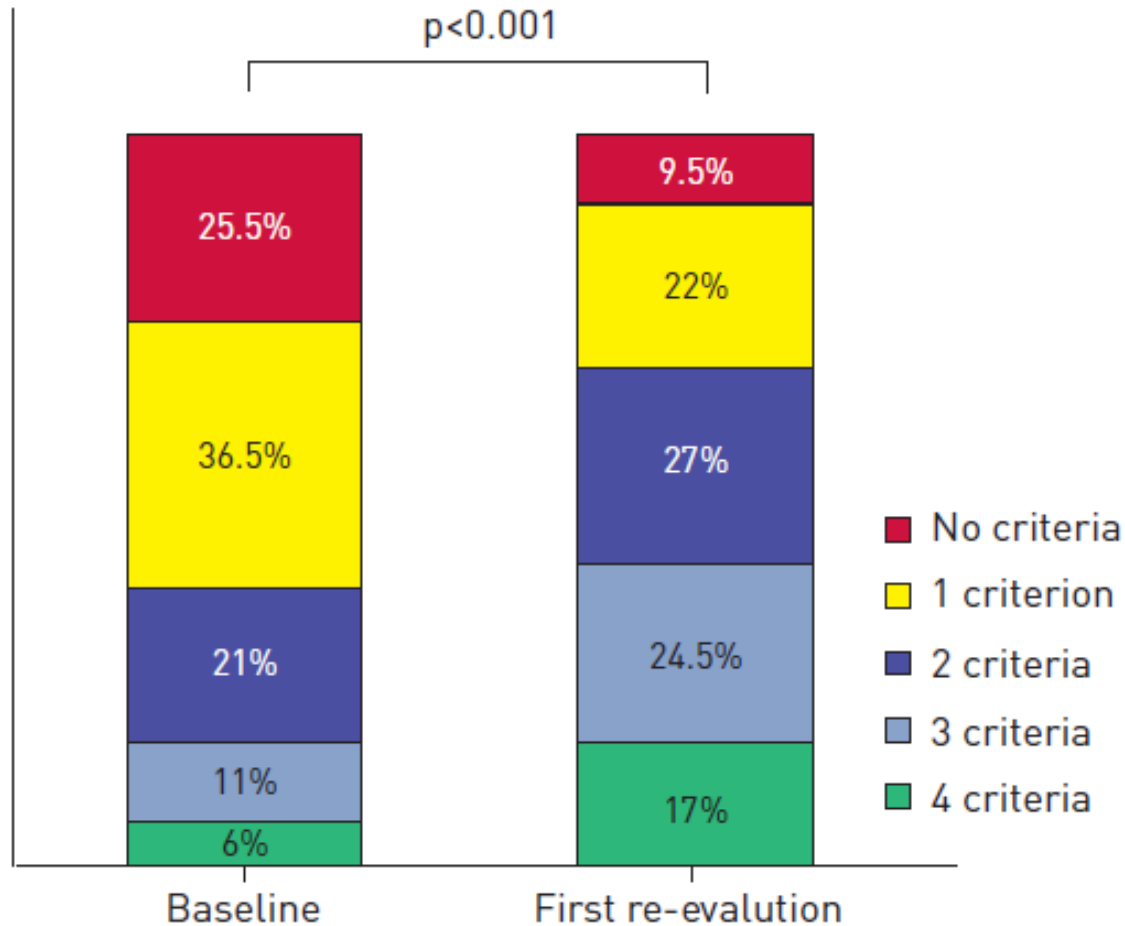
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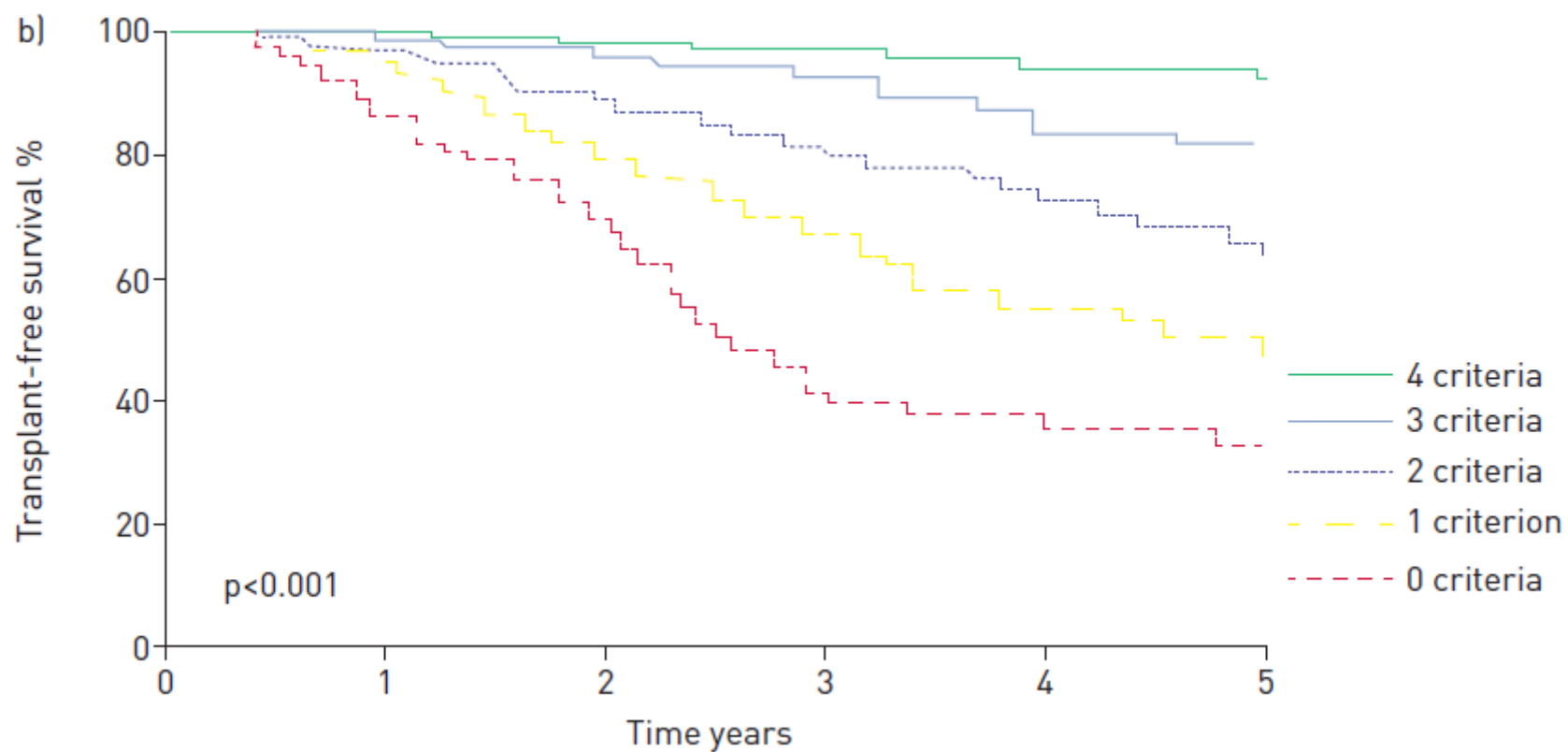
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Improved to "Low risk"	54	46	36	28	20	12
Stable "Intermediate risk" or "High risk"	213	163	108	69	41	26
Worsened to "Intermediate risk" or "High risk"	59	41	28	21	15	11

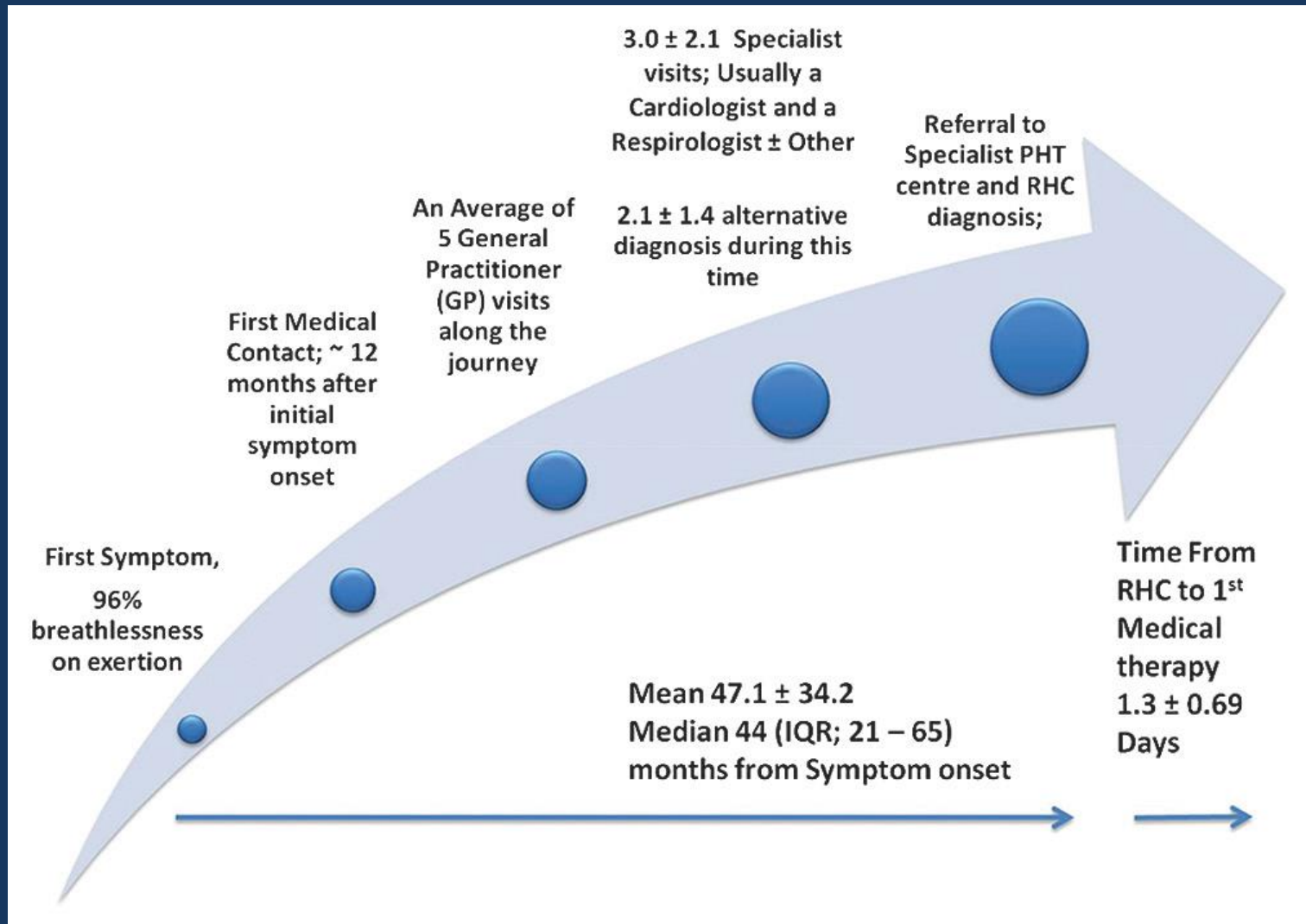


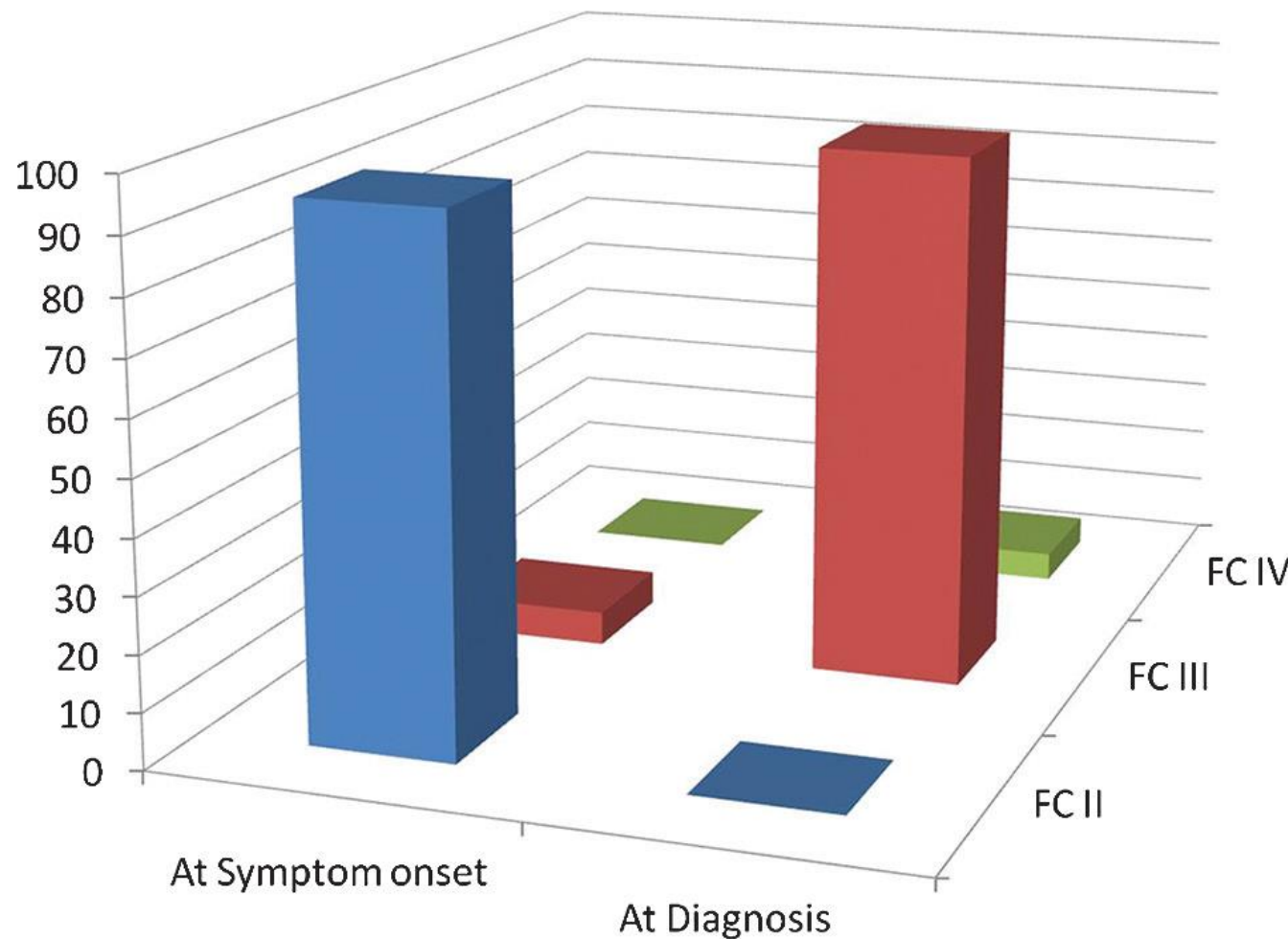
Low-risk criteria achieved within a year

- FC I-II
- 6MWD >440 m
- RAP <8 mmHg
- CI >2.5 L/min/m²









Collaboration: PH Care- Local Care

