

VV ECMO

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Indications to ECMO „bridge“

- 1.) Cardiogenic shock, CPR
 - Reversible LV or RV failure
- 2.) Critical oxygenation failure:
 - ARDS
- 3.) Hypercapnic respiratory failure
 - Reversible retention of CO₂, lung protection
- 4.) Barotrauma, bronchopleural communication
 - Lowering of Paw, Ptp
- 5.) Airway obstruction
 - Time to dg. and treatment
- 6.) On waiting list for lung Tx
 - Avoiding intubation and complications, bridge to Tx



Indications to VV-ECMO – ELSO guidelines

Hypoxic respiratory failure

- Estimated mortality 10-30%
PaO₂/FiO₂ <150, Murray 3
- Estimated mortality 10-30%
PaO₂/FiO₂ <80, Murray 3

Retention CO₂, PaCO₂ > 50

Air-leak (barotrauma)

Age < 65 years

IPPV up to 7 days

Blocked airway

Cardiorespiratory collapse

Reparable lung disease

Contraindications to VV ECMO:

Absolute:

- IC bleeding, stroke
- hypoxic cardiac arrest
- irreversible lung damage, incurable disease
- **severe heart failure, cardiogenic shock**
- **severe pulmonary hypertension (PAPm > 50 mmHg)**

Relative:

- age > 75 years
- obesity with a BMI over 40
- aggressive IPPV ≥ 7 days
- advanced liver disease
- trauma with extensive bleeding
- hemorrhagic diathesis and severe thrombocytopenia IDEA study, AJRCCM 2018
- immunocompromise IDEA, AJRCCM 2018, Intens Care Med 2013

ECMO...in/on time !

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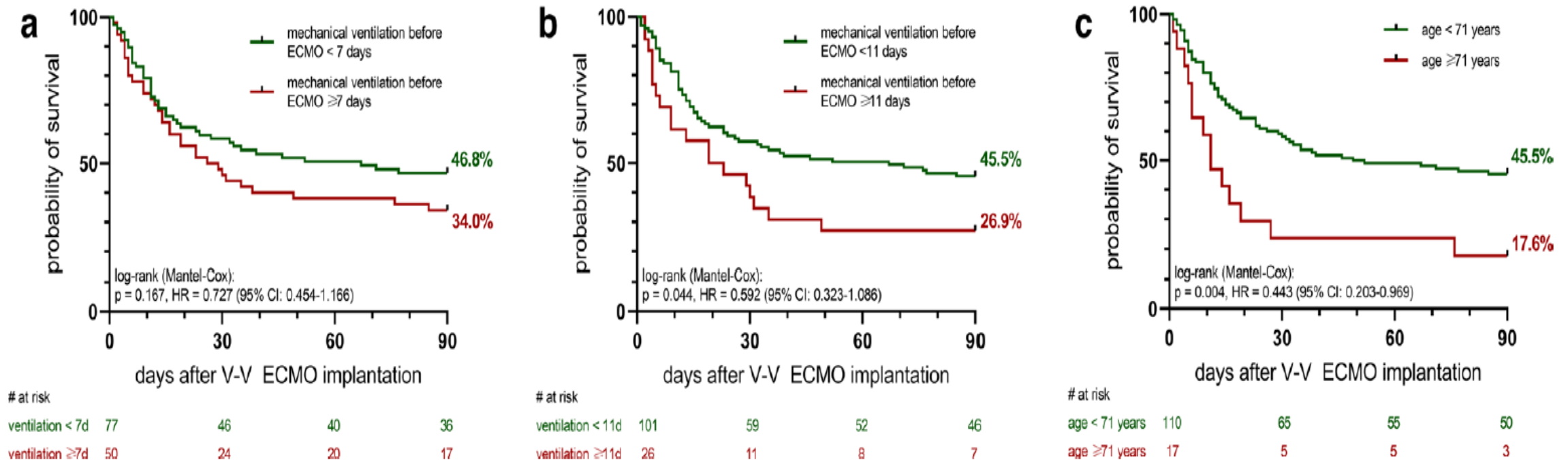


Survival after extracorporeal membrane oxygenation in severe COVID-19 ARDS: results from an international multicenter registry

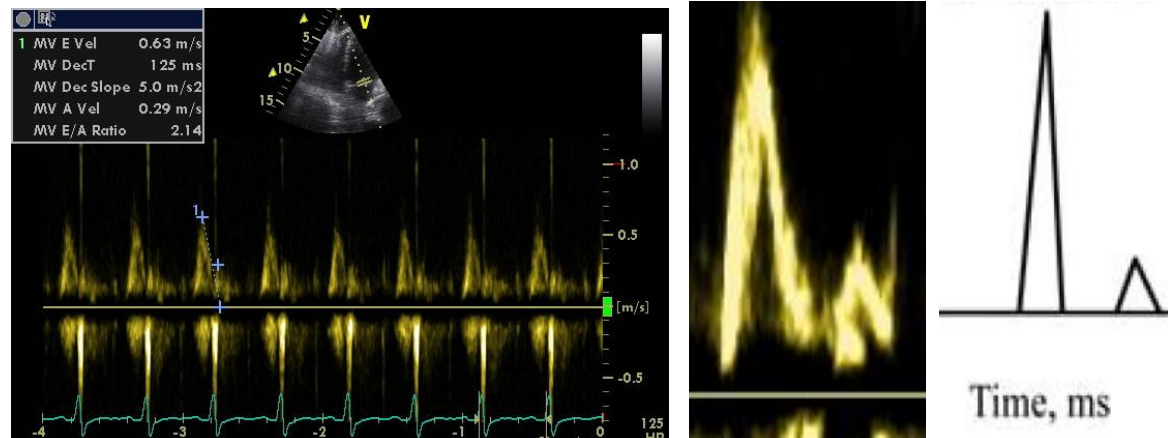
Extracorporeal Life Support Organization (ELSO)

Patient Specific Supplements to the ELSO General Guidelines

127 patients, 15 ECMO centers



VV-ECMO: Is this ARDS ? What is LVEDP ? Is ECMO indicated ?



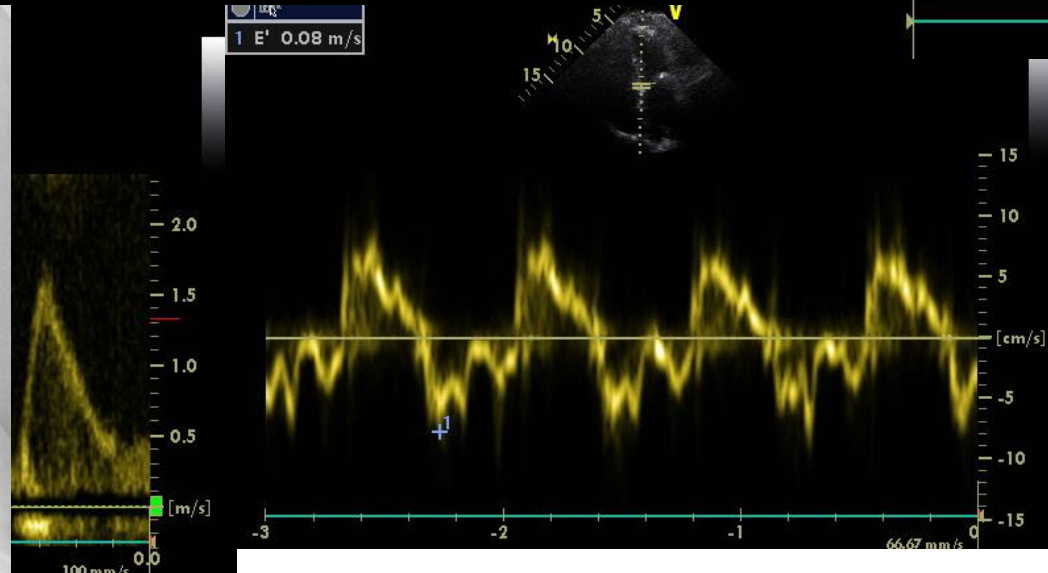
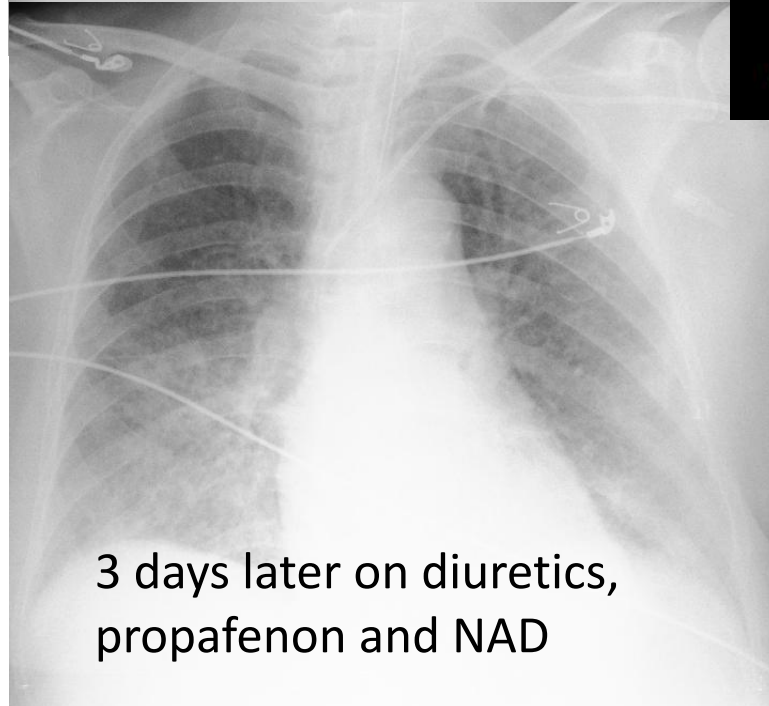
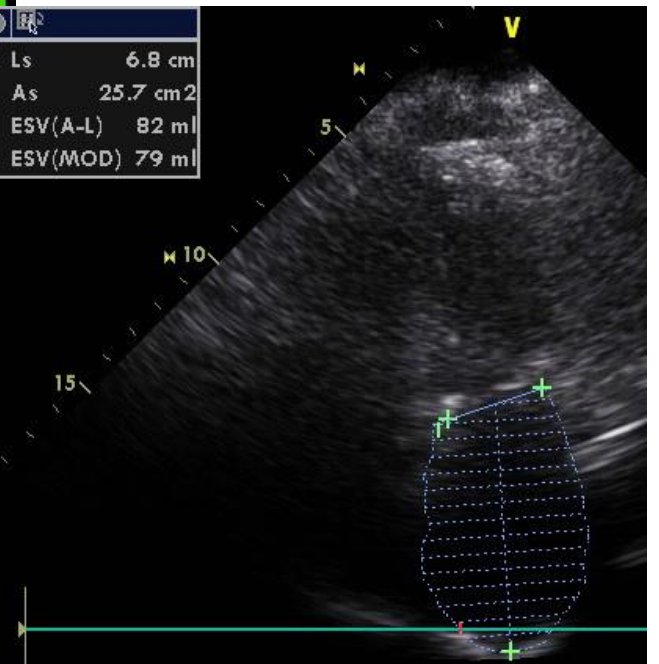
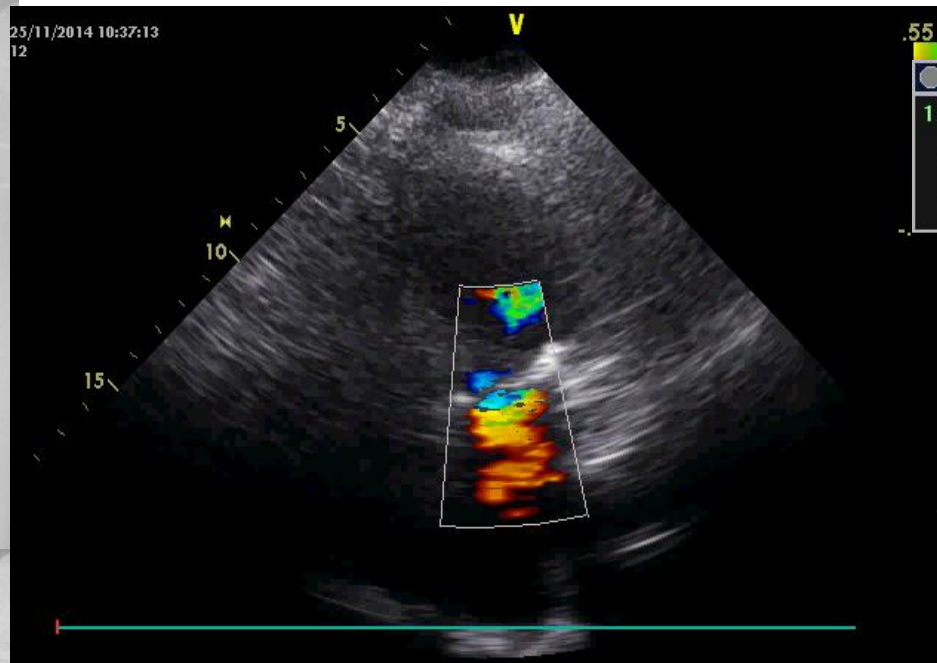
Transmitral doppler and 100 % PPV for **PAWP >18 mmHg**
(Boussugues A, et al: Crit Care Med 2002, Giannuzzi P, J Am Coll Cardiol 1994)

Echocardiography in extracorporeal life support: A key player in procedural guidance, tailoring and monitoring

Dirk W. Donker,¹  Christiaan L. Meuwese,² Sue A. Braithwaite,³ Michael Broomé,^{4,5,6}  Joris J. van der Heijden,¹ Jeannine A. Hermens,¹ Marc Platenkamp,¹ Michel de Jong,⁷ Jacqueline G.D. Janssen,¹ Martin Balík⁸ and Jan Bělohávek⁹

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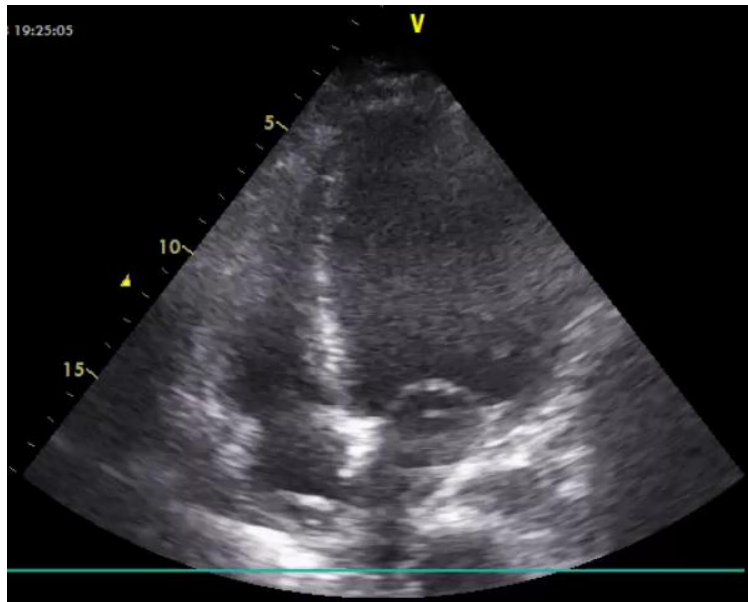
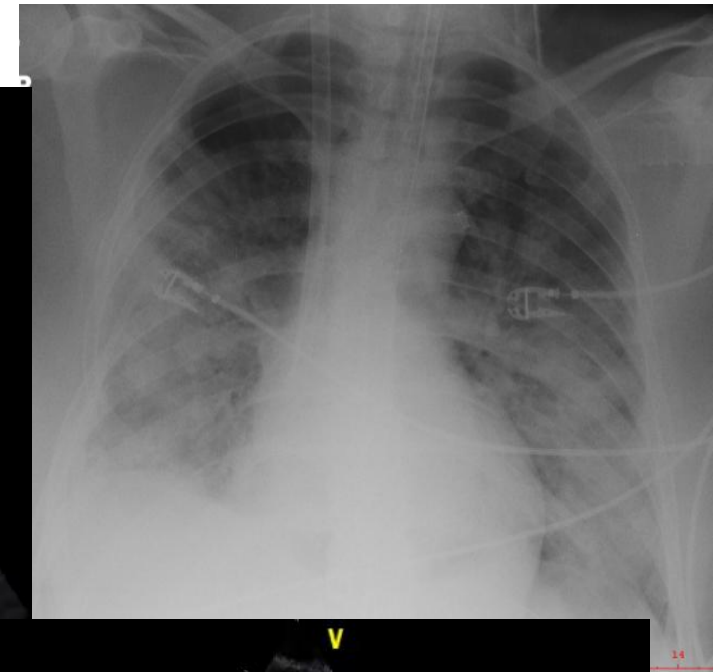
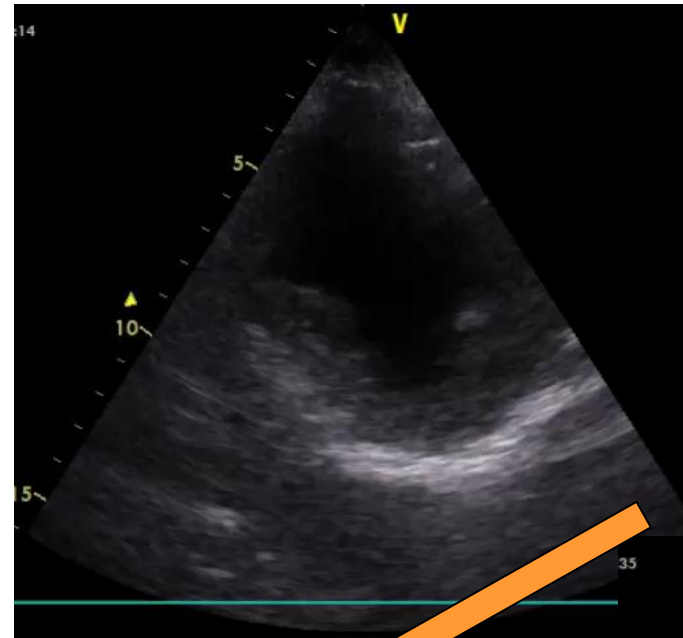

LV dysfunction (HFpEF) referred as „ARDS“ to ECMO



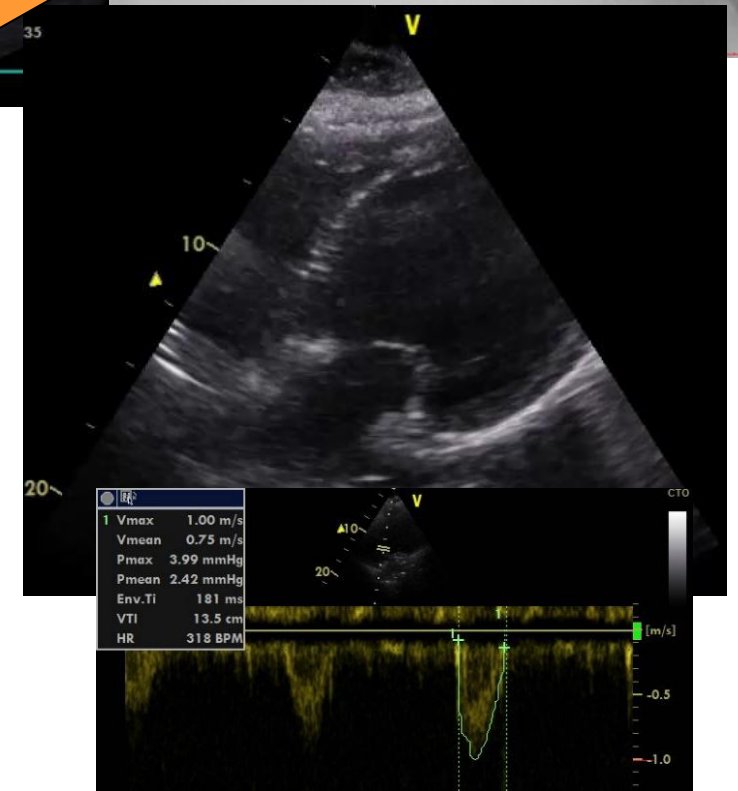
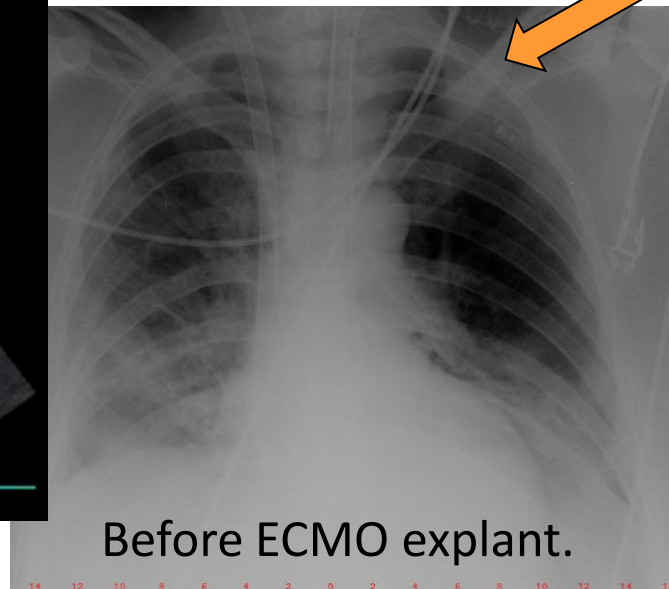
- LA ESV 50 ml/m²
- E/E' 21

Respiratory failure in a 47y female manager – VA or VV ECMO ?

- Known “heart problem” with HF medications
- Influenza B - ARDS
- Rescued hypoxic paO_2/FiO_2 82
- VV-ECMO 7 days

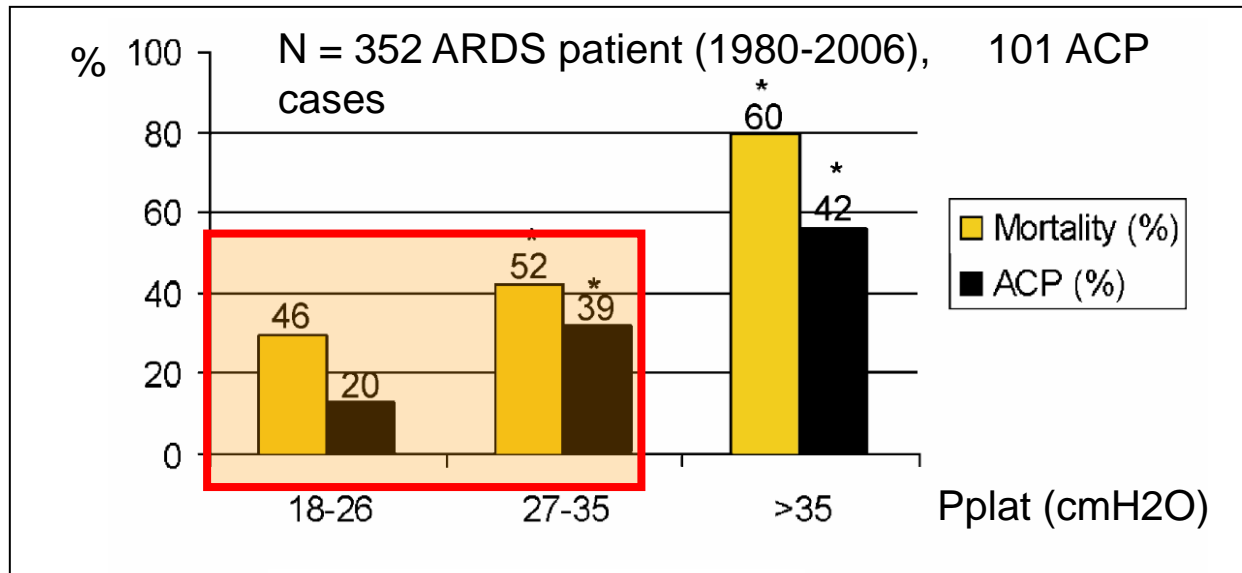


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Right ventricular failure: Primary or obstructive, secondary to severe respiratory failure

- ARDS: ACP up to 33% (Jardin F, Intensive Care Med 2007)
- Pplat < 27 mbar only 13%
- Survival on IPPV linearly related to EF_RV (Steltzer H: Anaesthesia 1994)
- ACP and RVF as an indication to VA-ECMO....

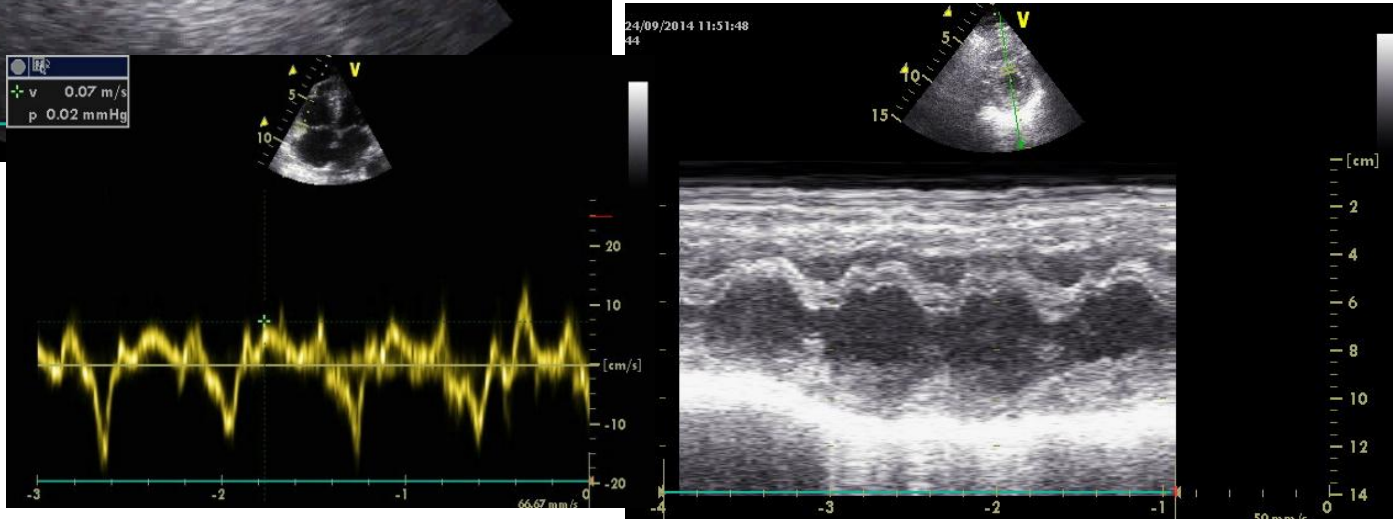
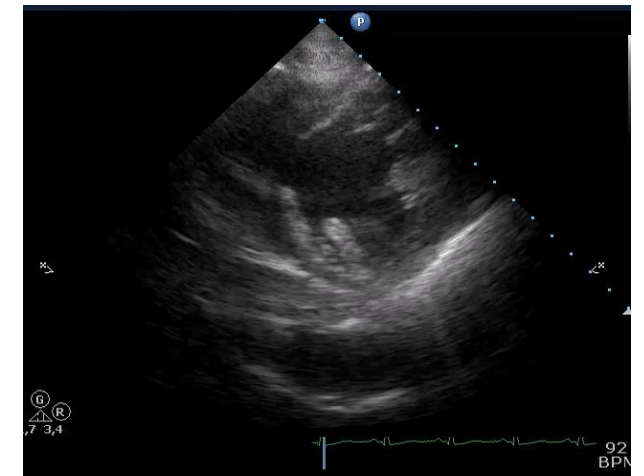
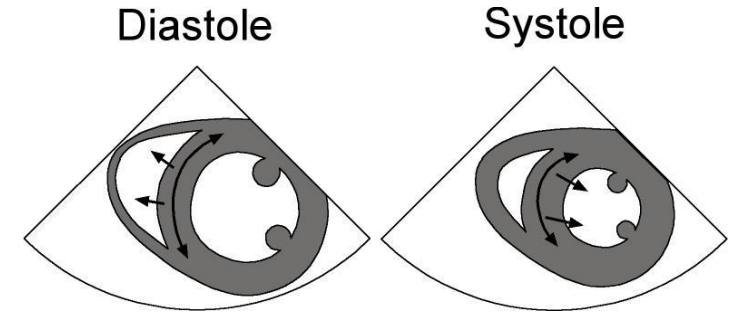
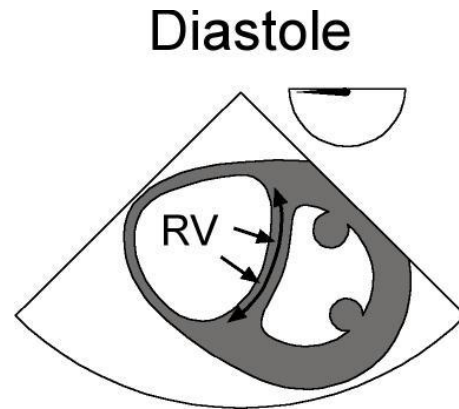


Jardin F, Vieillard-Baron A. INT CARE MED 2007

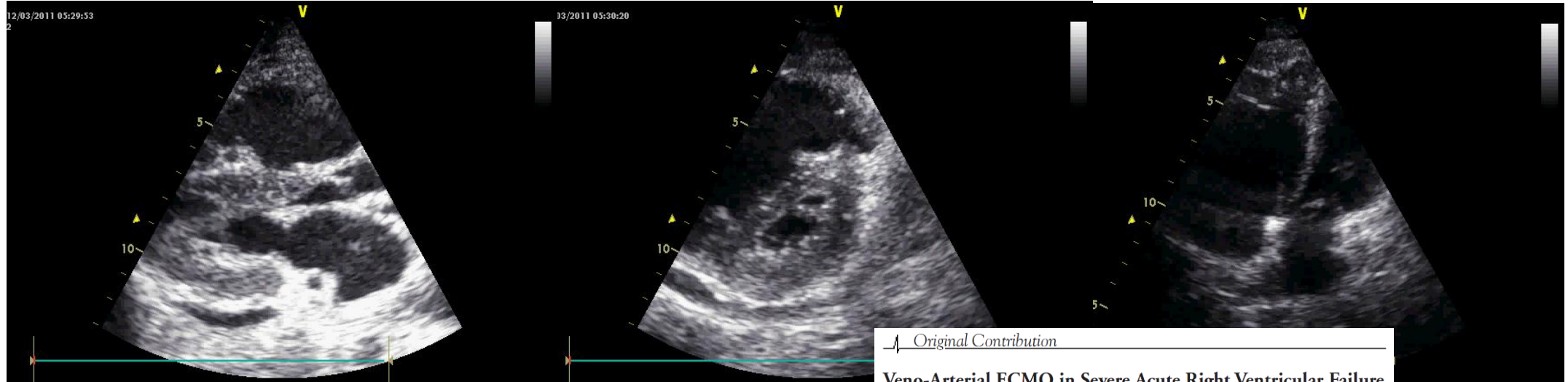


N = 352 ARDS patients (1980-2006)
101 ACP cases
ACP 13% for Pplat < 27 cmH2O

RV dysfunction and ECMO



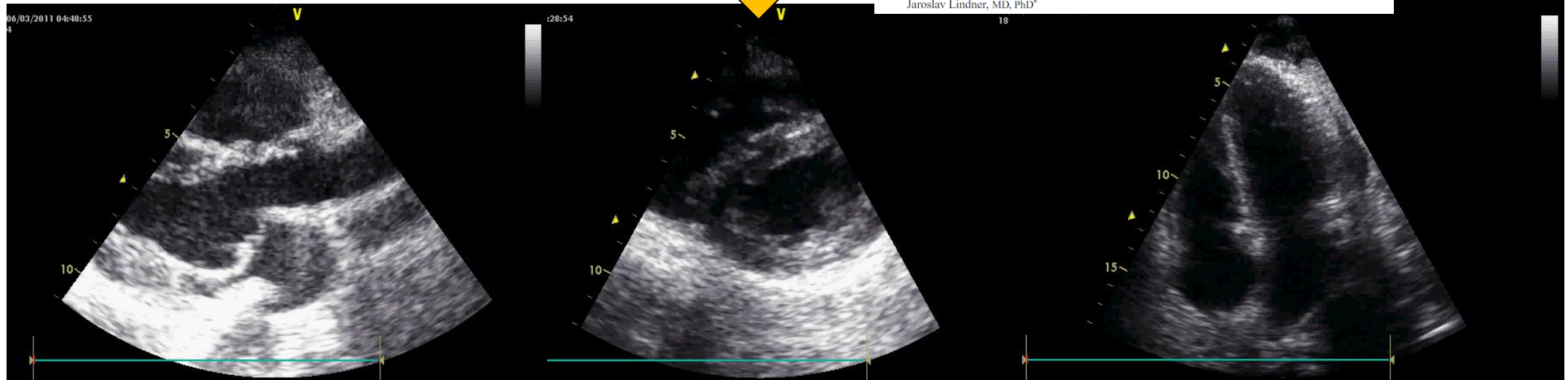
ACP during conventional therapy of ARDS+PE – from VA-ECMO to VAV-ECMO



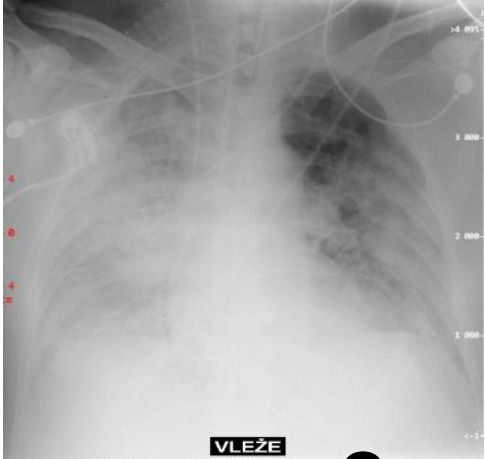
Original Contribution

Veno-Arterial ECMO in Severe Acute Right Ventricular Failure with Pulmonary Obstructive Hemodynamic Pattern

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cardiorespiratory failure and CS: FF_V-A ECMO



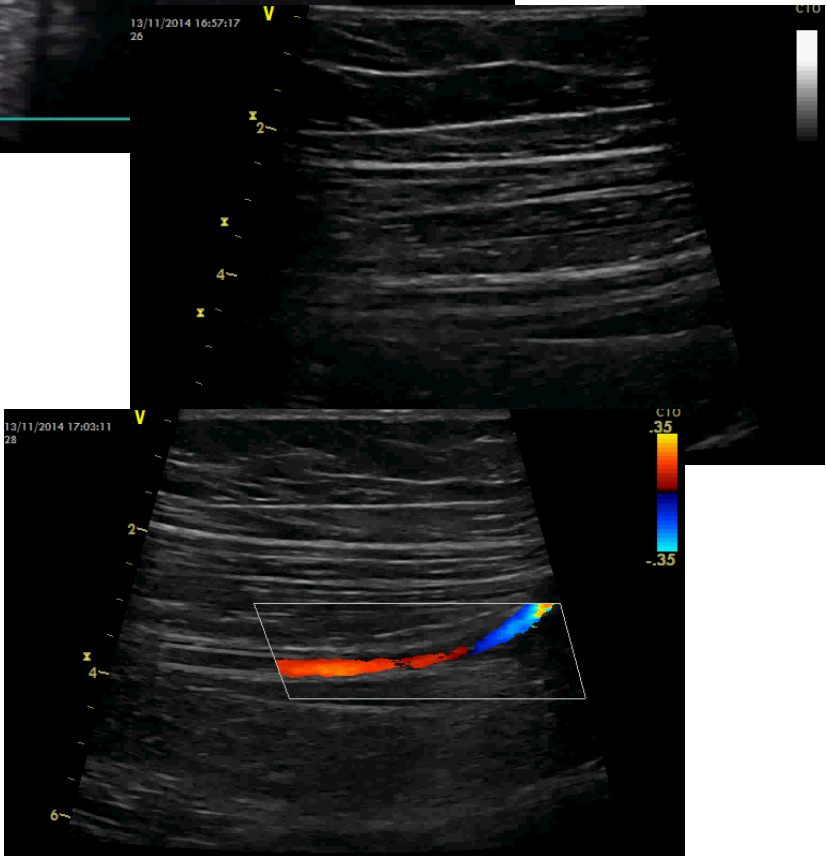
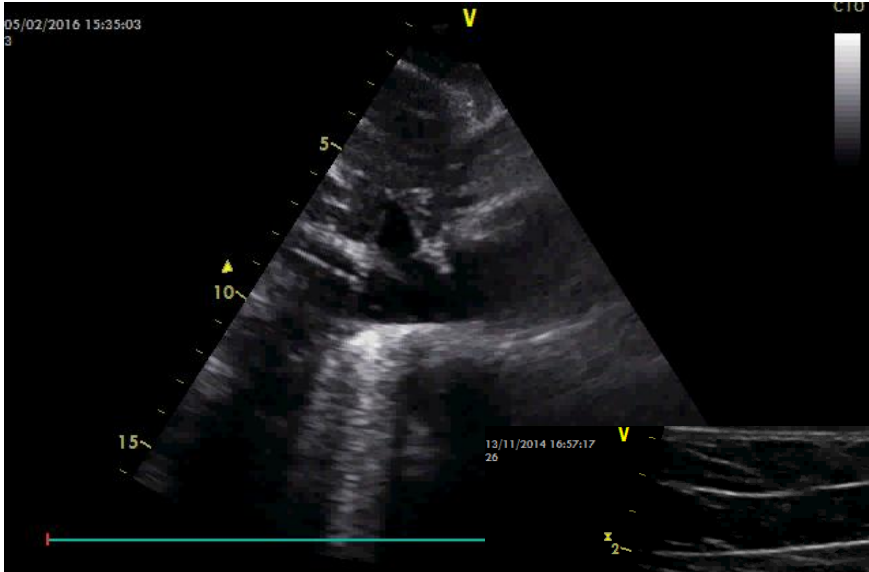
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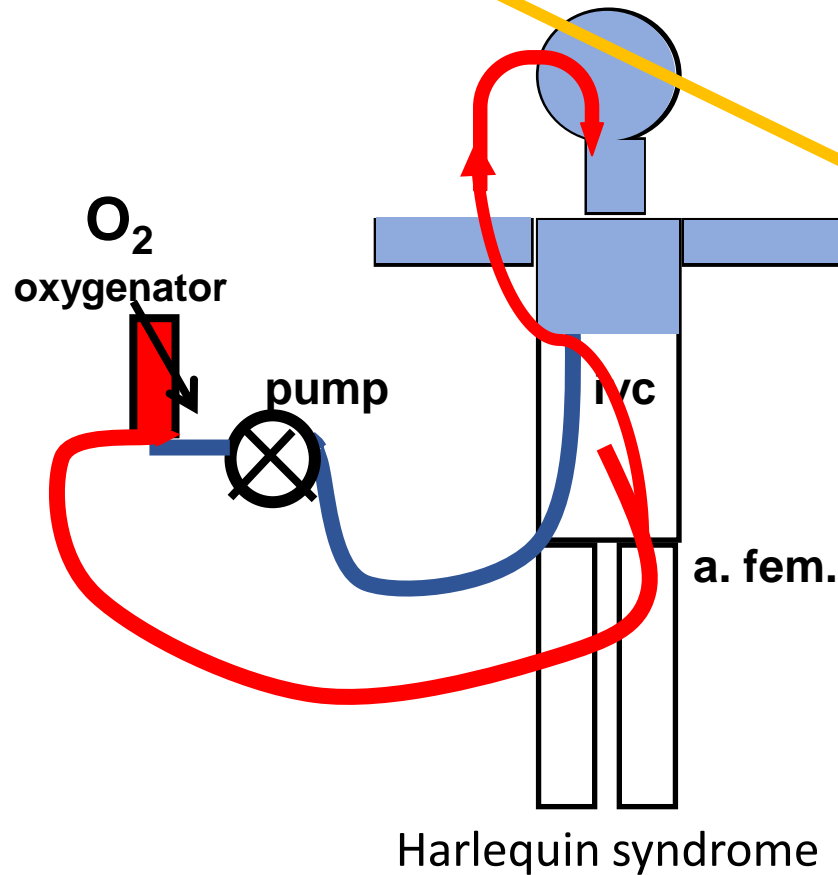
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Harlequin syndrome



Primary respiratory failure on VA-ECMO.....

...CO increases to 6.4 l/min....develops Harlequin syndrome with 6.3 l/min ECMO flow
(total CO 12.7 l/min)



What would you do now ?



- Switch from VA to VA-V ECMO
- CO 6.2 l/min
- ECMO 6.3 l/min 2 of these return to VJIdx
- total CO 10.5 l/min

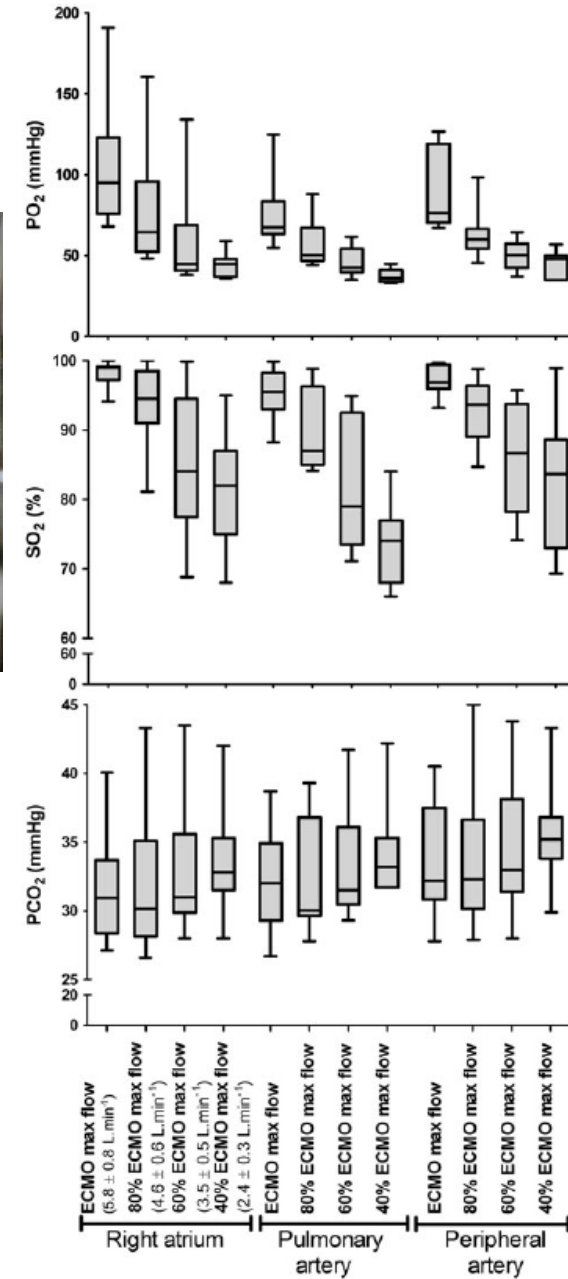
Qb in hypoxic respiratory failure: ECMO / CO (target > 60%)

- impact on peripheral DO₂
- hybrid VA-V or VV-A modalities –
- Qb split between oxygenation and circulatory support



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Blood oxygenation and decarboxylation determinants during venovenous ECMO for respiratory failure in adults

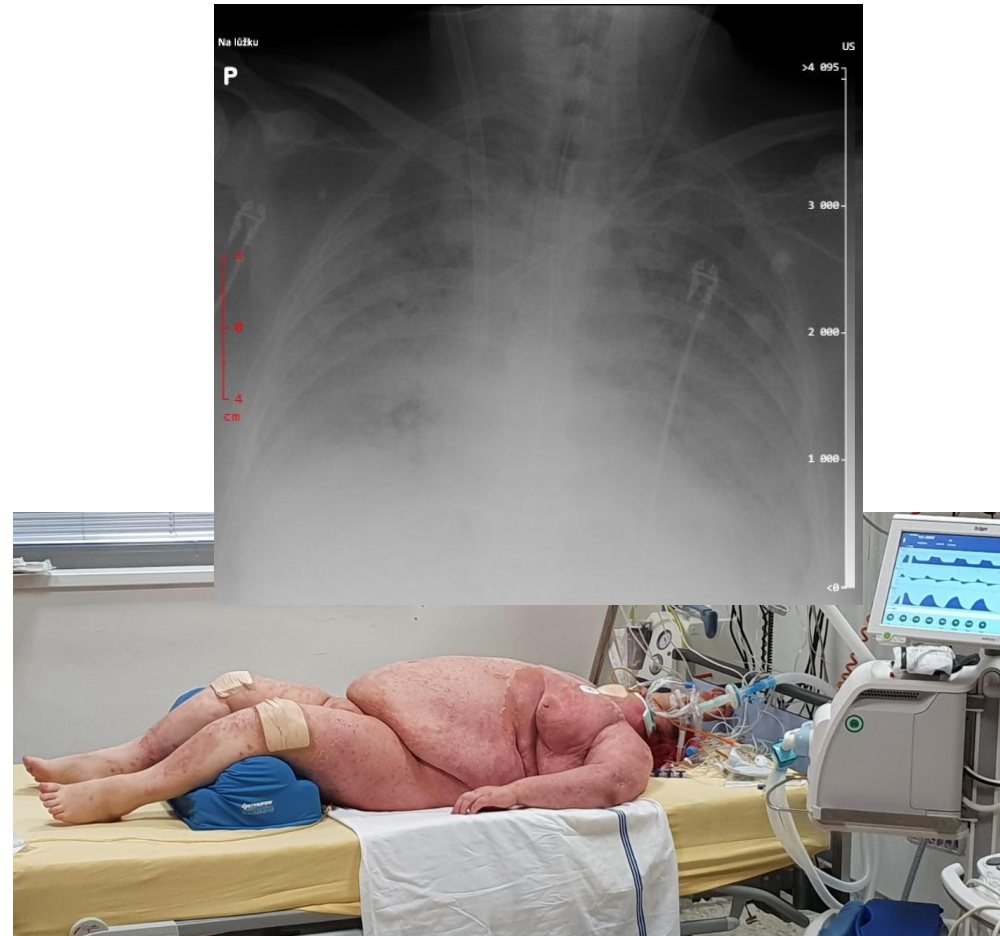


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Matthieu Schmidt
Guillaume Tachon
Christine Devilliers
Grégoire Muller
Guillaume Hekimian

Why to prevent HF related VA in severe hypoxia....

- Qb setting influenced
 - BMI (cardiac output) - VV
 - severity of hypoxia - VV
 - severity of shock (SVR) - VA
- Obesity is not a contraindication to ECMO....unless small caliber vessels in severe hypoxia
- Limitations of single site cannulation (< 4 l/min)



Patient's treatment.

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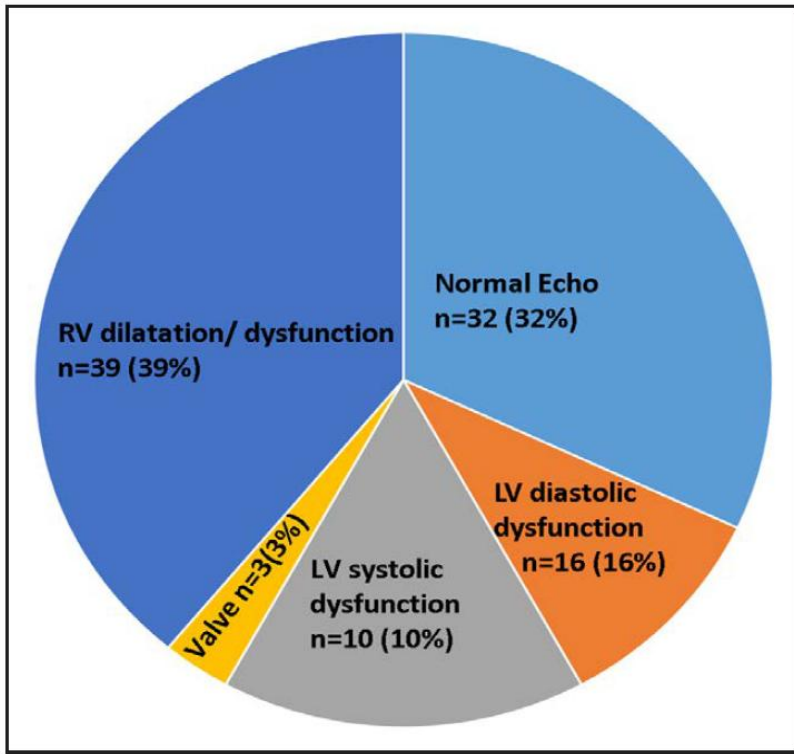
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	BMI > 30 (n = 171)	BMI ≤ 30 (n = 121)	P-value
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VV ECMO	45% (77)	34.7% (42)	0.087
- ECMO drainage cannula (F)	29 (25–29)	27 (25–29)	0.503
- ECMO return cannula (F)	23 (21–23)	23 (21–23)	0.726
- Initial blood flow (l/min)	4.7 (4.2–5.2)	4.6 (4.2–5)	0.631
- Initial sweep gas flow (l/min)	3 (2.5–4)	3 (2.5–3.5)	0.459

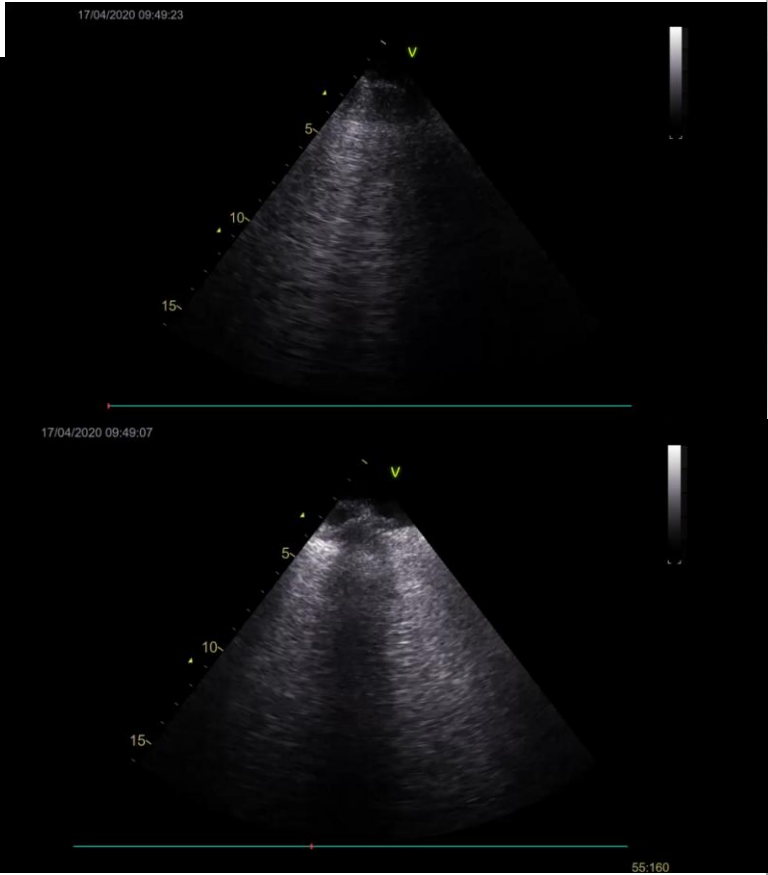
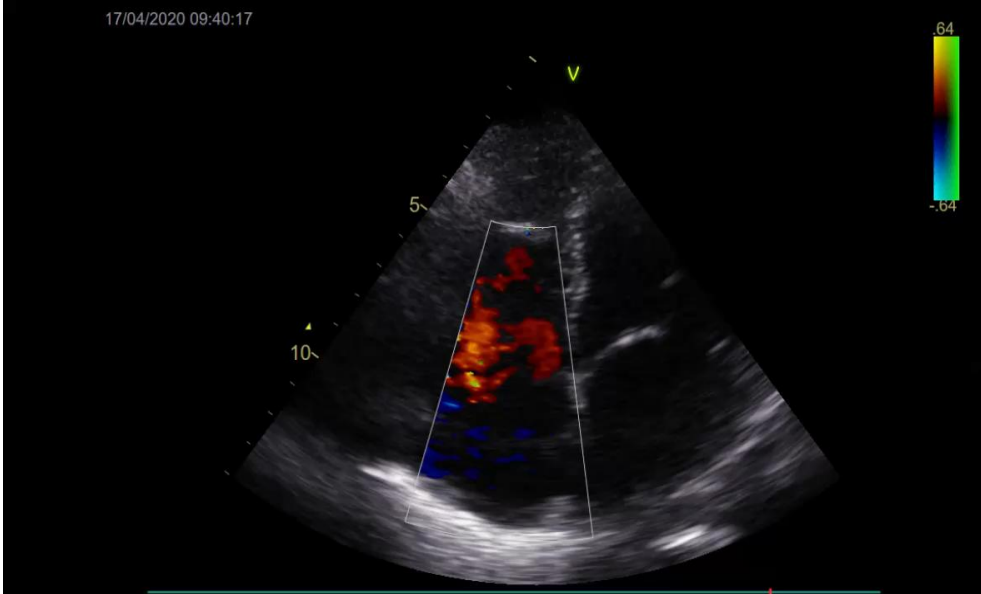
Spectrum of Cardiac Manifestations in COVID-19

A Systematic Echocardiographic Study

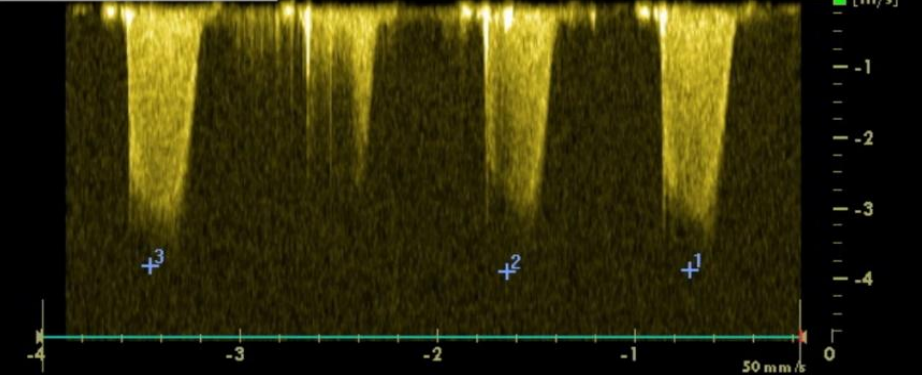


- Dilated RV and PH in 31-39%
- Related to mortality, OR 4.5, p=0.005 (Argulian E, JACC 2020, 13:2459-60)
- SV arrhythmias in 44% ICU patients

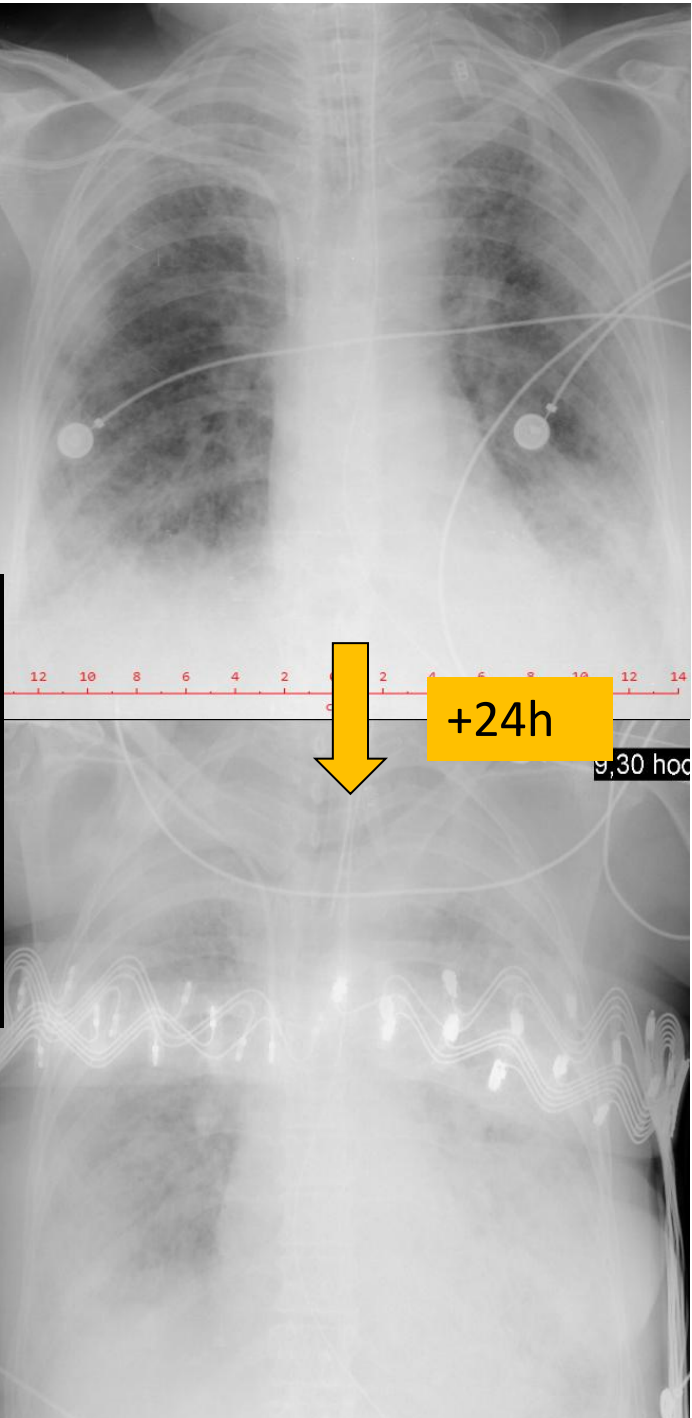
RV dysfunction and PH in Covid-19



3	TR Vmax	3.84 m/s
	TR maxPG	59.08 mmHg
2	TR Vmax	3.92 m/s
	TR maxPG	61.54 mmHg
1	TR Vmax	3.90 m/s
	TR maxPG	60.92 mmHg



- AVP 1-4 IU/h
- NAD < 0.5 ug/kg.min



RV echocardiography parameters as an indication to earlier VV-ECMO instead of later VA ?

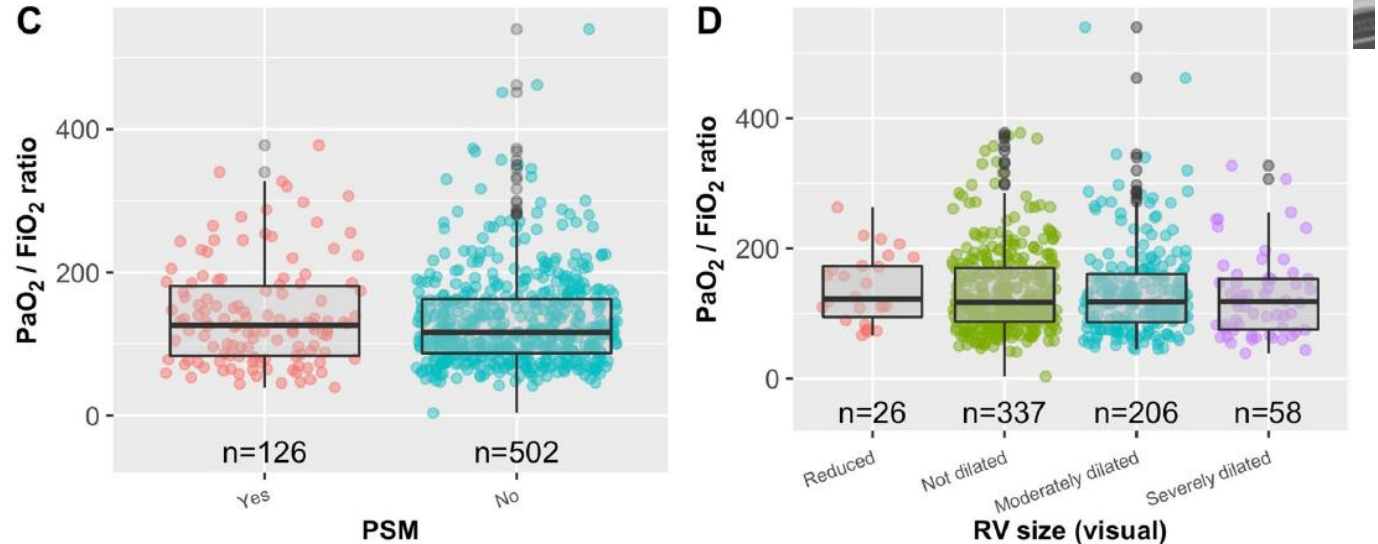
ORIGINAL

Echocardiography findings in COVID-19 patients admitted to intensive care units: a multi-national observational study (the ECHO-COVID study)



Stephen Huang¹, Philippe Vignon², Armand Mekontso-Dessap³, Ségolène Tran⁴, Gwenaél Prat⁵, Michelle Chew⁶, Martin Balik⁷, Filippo Sanfilippo⁸, Gisele Banauch⁹, Fernando Clau-Terre¹⁰, Andrea Morelli¹¹, Daniel De Backer¹², Bernard Chollet¹³, Michel Slama¹⁴, Cyril Charron⁴, Marine Goudelin², Francois Bagate³, Pierre Bailly⁵, Patrick-Johansson Blixt⁶, Paul Masi³, Bruno Evrard², Sam Orde¹, Paul Mayo¹⁵, Anthony S. McLean¹ and Antoine Vieillard-Baron^{4,16*} on behalf of the ECHO-COVID research group

- No relation between right heart echoparameters and ELSO oxygenation/ventilation criteria for VV-ECMO
- Progression of ACP towards a need for VA-ECMO not desirable in ARDS with higher BMI



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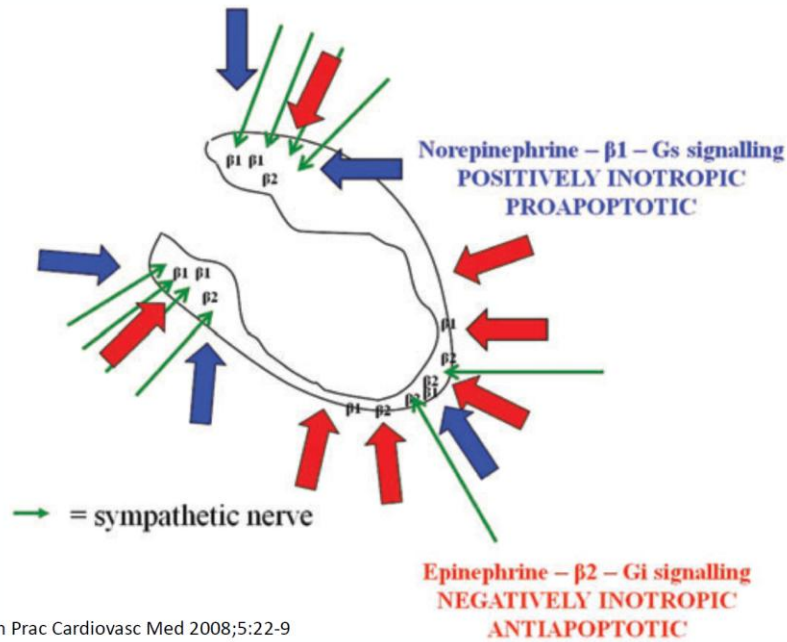
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Evaluation of right ventricular function and driving pressure with blood gas analysis could better select patients eligible for VV ECMO in severe ARDS



Matthieu Petit^{1,2*}, Armand Mekontso-Dessap^{3,4,5}, Paul Masi^{3,4}, Annick Legras⁷, Philippe Vignon⁶ and Antoine Vieillard-Baron^{1,2}

Hypoxia, catecholamines, inflammation....stress related cardiac dysfunction - Tako-Tsubo Syndrome (TTS)



Lyon et al. Nat Clin Prac Cardiovasc Med 2008;5:22-9



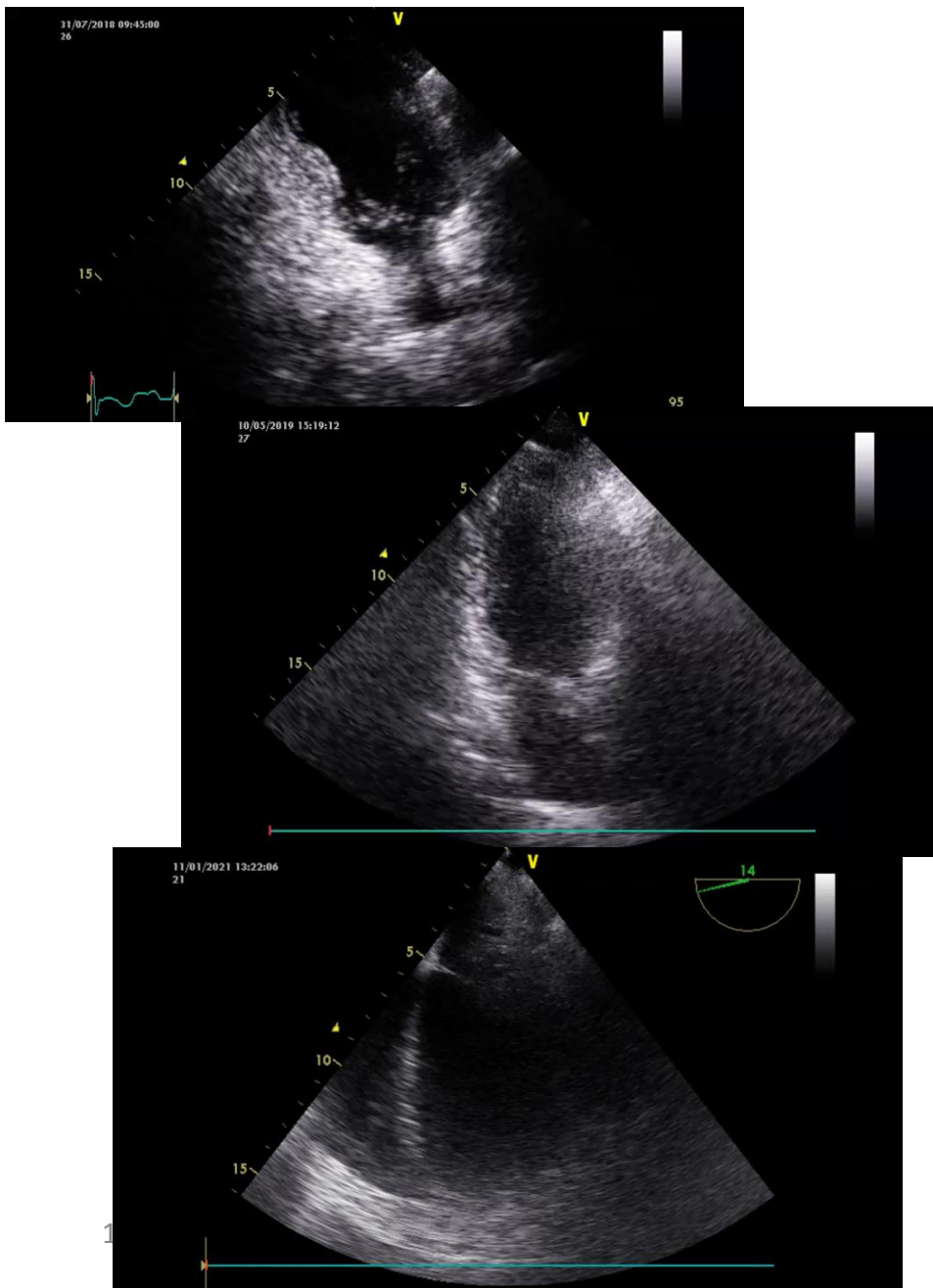
- Signal membrane G-proteins – distribution of heart adrenergic receptors
- Triggers
 - emotional: primary TTS
 - physical: secondary TTS (sepsis, surgery, SAH, stroke, pheochromocytoma, ARDS, trauma)
- ECG ST-elevation, echo, TnI/CKMBmass, neg. SKG, absence of myocarditis

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Structural and Functional Brain Changes in Acute Takotsubo Syndrome

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RV triggered or primary LV form of TTS



Apical ballooning (70-80%)

- LVOTO
- Apical Thrombosis
- Variable prognosis

Midventricular (10-20%)

- Severe LV dysfunction
- Acute heart failure is common

Basal (or inverted) (5%)

- Severe LV dysfunction is uncommon

Focal (rare)

- Usually benign course

Biventricular (0.5%)

- Severe LV dysfunction/Cardiogenic shock

Tavazzi G, Balik M, Chew M, Vieillard-Baron A, McLean T: Stress related cardiomyopathies in the critically ill – a narrative review of pathophysiology and current management

Risk of stress cardiomyopathy on VV ECMO

- RV on IPPV / ARDS / PE
- stress cardiomyopathy (...hypoxia, arrhythmias, catecholamines)
- septic cardiomyopathy in superinfections
- coronary endothelium, microembolisations



JACC REVIEW TOPIC OF THE WEEK

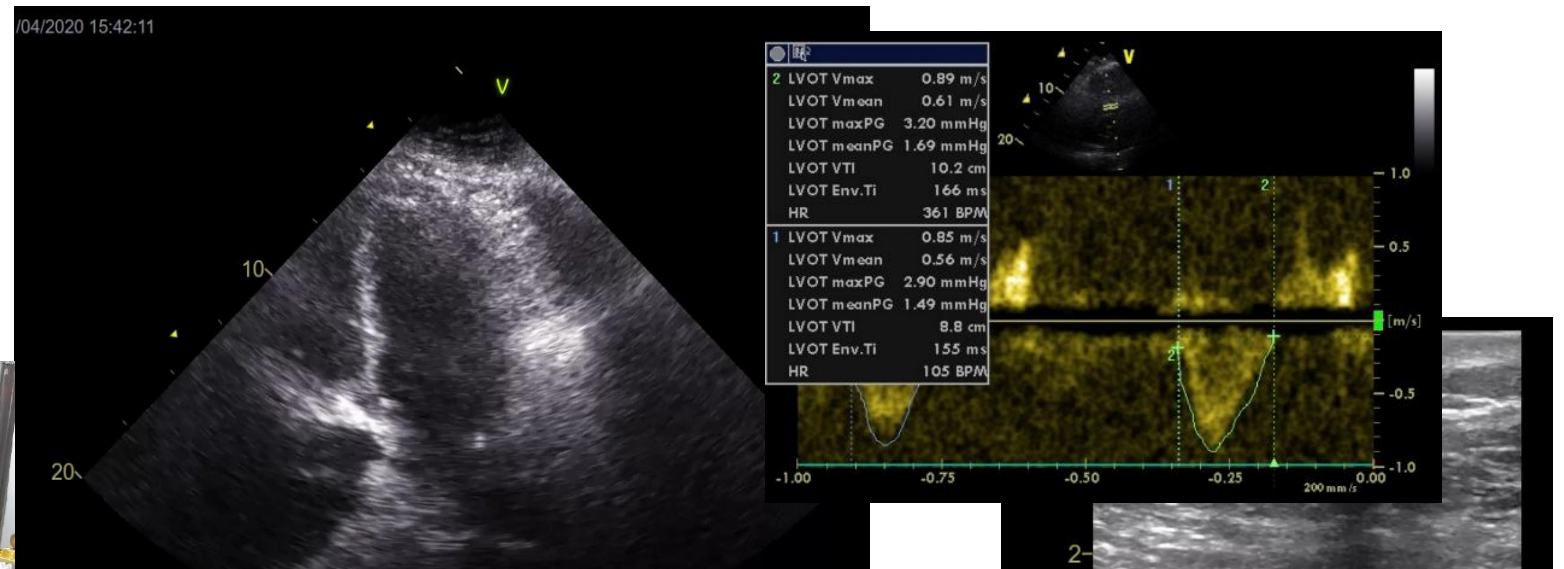
Pathological Evidence for SARS-CoV-2 as a Cause of Myocarditis



JACC Review Topic of the Week

Rika Kawakami, MD,^{a,*} Atsushi Sakamoto, MD,^{a,*} Kenji Kawai, MD,^a Andrea Gianatti, MD,^b Dario Pellegrini, MD,^b

myocarditis only 4.5% of heart failures



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Venoarterial extracorporeal membrane oxygenation as mechanical circulatory support in adult septic shock: a systematic review and meta-analysis with individual participant data meta-regression analysis

Ryan Ruiyang Ling^{1†}, Kollengode Ramanathan^{1,2†}, Wynne Hsing Poon¹, Chuen Seng Tan³, Nicolas Brechet^{4,5}, Daniel Brodie⁶, Alain Combes^{4,7} and Graeme MacLaren^{1,2}

Ventilator induced lung/cardiac injury – are we calculating all factors at the bedside ?



IPPV: dynamic and static power delivered to the cardiorespiratory system

...times respiratory rate



A concept of dynamic interaction of IPPV with lung, pulmonary circulation and the heart

$$\text{Power}_{rs} = \text{RR} \cdot \left\{ \Delta V^2 \cdot \left[\frac{1}{2} \cdot \text{EL}_{rs} + \text{RR} \cdot \frac{(1 + I:E)}{60 \cdot I:E} \cdot R_{aw} \right] + \Delta V \cdot \text{PEEP} \right\},$$

IPPV = mechanical power

- Vt (exponential²)
- ΔP_{aw} (Pplat-PEEP)
(exponential²)
- Flow (exponential²)
- PEEP (exponential^{1.4})
- RR (linear)



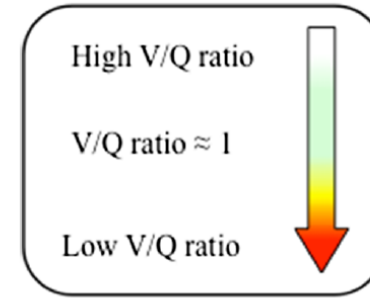
....mechanical damage

- Lung size (small with lower threshold..)
- Edema, inflammation
- Inhomogeneity (main factor for VILI !)
- **Perfusion, RV**
- pH, pCO₂, pO₂

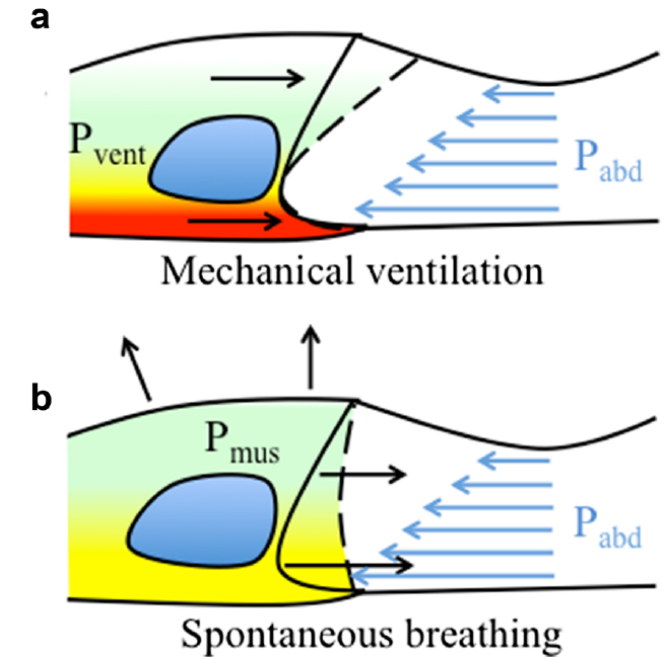
Awake ECMO vs intubated ECMO

•PROS

- Better V/Q matching in Covid19
- Tone of respiratory muscles and thoracic elastance
- Prevention of CIP and diaphragmatic dysfunction
- Better venous return
- Better pulmonary lymphatic drainage
- Less VAP (primary barriers)
- Less delirium
- Rehabilitation
- Peroral feeding



Langer et al. *Critical Care* (2016) 20:150
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•CONS

- TPP and spont. hyperventilation
- Higher resp. muscles VO_2
- Risk of displacement of cannulas
- Pain, anxiety
- Limits of double site cannulation (venous return)

IPPV related stress - awake ECMO as a prevention of ACP ?

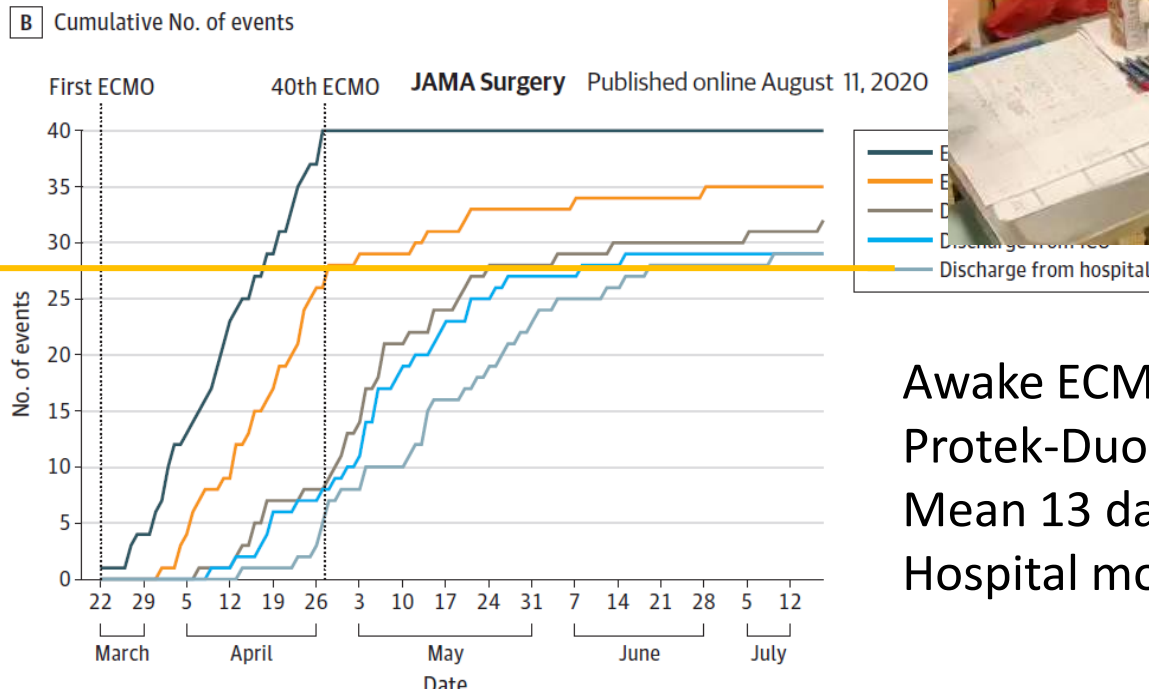
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- endothelial inflammation/damage
- loss of pulmonary vasoregulation, V/Q mismatch
- thrombogenesis, AFOP
- PH, RV dilatation
- Intolerance of IPPV: cough, barotrauma (26%)

Mechanical Ventilation during Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation An International Survey Only 27% spont triggered modes

Jonathan D. Marhong*, Teagan Telesnicki*, Laveena Munshi, Lorenzo Del Sorbo, Michael Detsky, and Eddy Fan

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Awake ECMO:
Protek-Duo Tandem Heart
Mean 13 days to spont. ventilation
Hospital mortality 27%

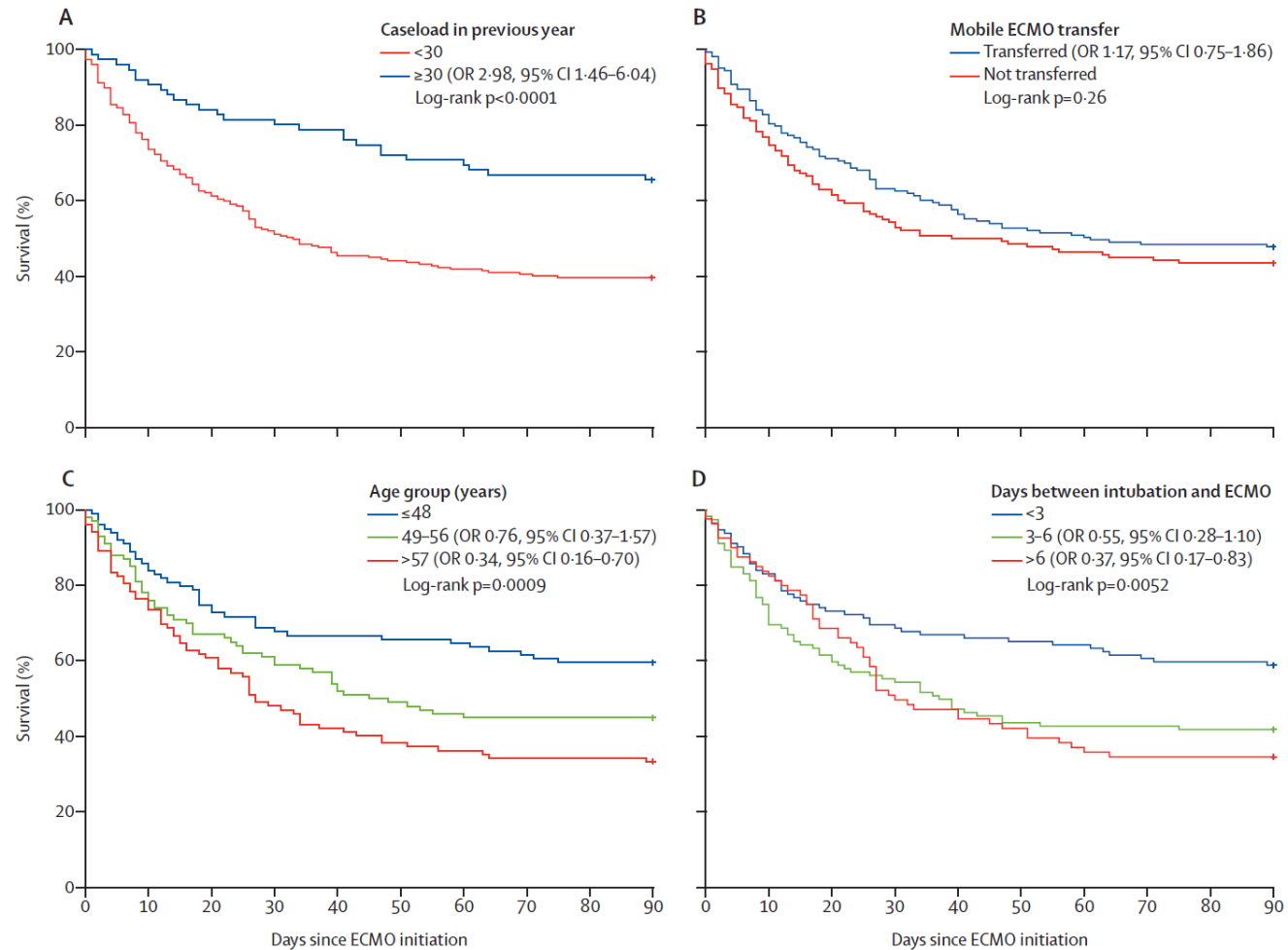
ECMO caseload and outcome

Extracorporeal membrane oxygenation network organisation and clinical outcomes during the COVID-19 pandemic in Greater Paris, France: a multicentre cohort study

Guillaume Lebreton, Matthieu Schmidt, Maharajah Ponnaiah, Thierry Folliguet, Marylou Para, Julien Guihaire, Emmanuel Lansac, Edouard Sage, Bernard Cholley, Bruno Mégarbane, Pierrick Cronier, Jonathan Zarka, Daniel Da Silva, Sebastien Besset, Igor Lacombat, Nicolas Mongardon, Christian Richard, Jacques Duranteau, Charles Cerf, Gabriel Saiydoun, Romain Sonnevill, Jean-Daniel Chiche, Patrick Nataf, Dan Longrois, Alain Combes, Pascal Leprince, and the Paris ECMO-COVID-19 investigators*



- Age
- Experience > 30 cases/year (HR 2.98)
- Time-to-ECMO
- Renal insufficiency (HR 0.67)



A minimum requirement for 20 ECMO patients/year moved to 30/year after pandemic of Covid-19....

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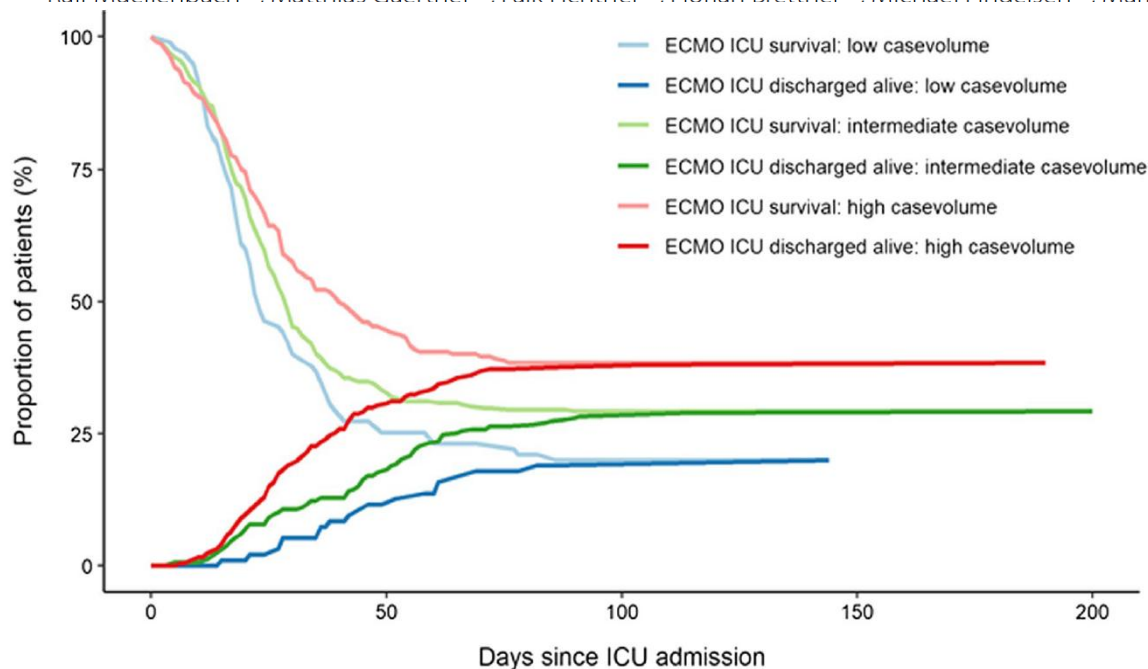
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Key characteristics impacting survival of COVID-19 extracorporeal membrane oxygenation

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Complete countrywide mortality in COVID patients receiving ECMO in Germany throughout the first three waves of the pandemic

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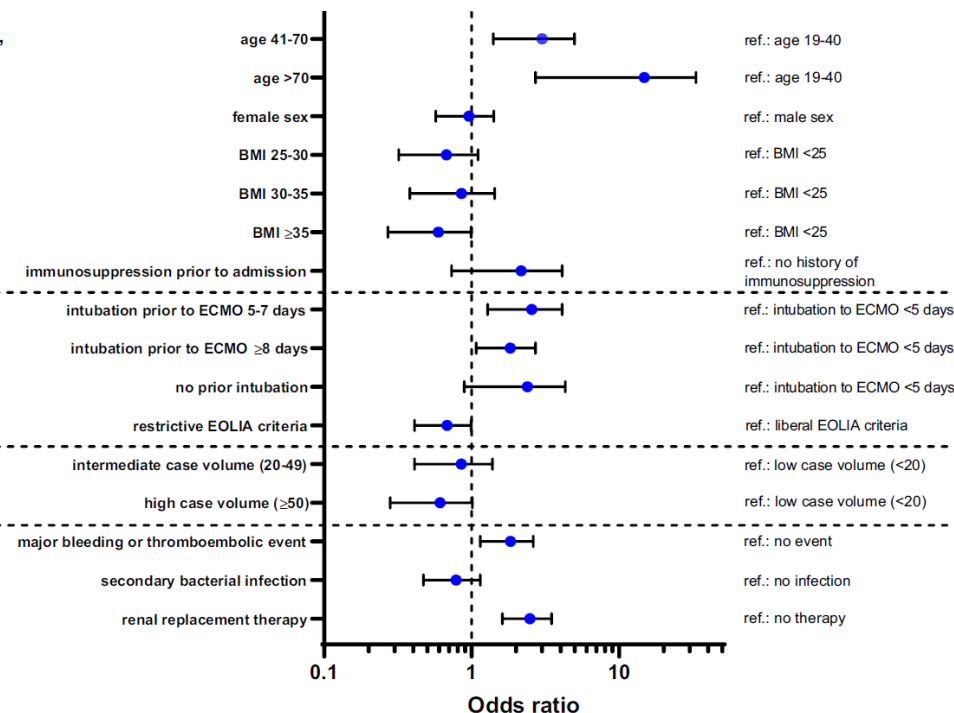


1. demographics, risk factors, comorbidities

2. severity of disease

3. ECMO case volume

4. complications



Take home message

- Key: Echo + CUS + vessels
- Avoid ACP on IPPV
 - ACP triggered CRS
 - ACP triggered CS
- Avoid TTS and HF
 - Decatecholaminisation
 - Cardiac protection
- Echoparameters as indicators to VV-ECMO
- VV-ECMO in borderline cases
 - Allow for spontaneous IPPV or awake ECMO
 - Hybrid modalities as a back up 24/7: VV-A or VA-V

