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# Hidden Complexity Behind the Myth of “Stable” HFrEF

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## Have Everton ever won the Premier League?

Everton have won the English title nine times, but never in the Premier League era.

Their last league triumph came in the 1986-87 season, under Howard Kendall. The Toffees finished nine points clear of second-placed Liverpool in a good season for Merseyside.



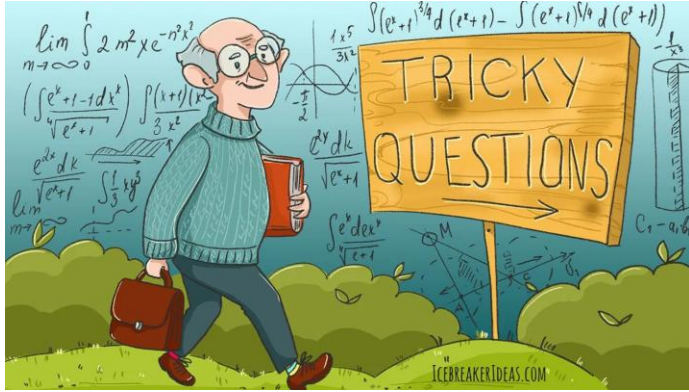
### Full list of Everton trophies & titles

Competition	Year(s) won
First Division / Premier League	1890-91, 1914-15, 1927-28, 1931-32, 1938-39, 1962-63, 1969-70, 1985-86, 1986-87
Second Division / Championship	1930-31
FA Cup	1905-06, 1932-33, 1965-66, 1983-84, 1994-95
Charity Shield / Community Shield	1928, 1932, 1963, 1970, 1984, 1985, 1986*, 1987, 1995
European Cup Winners' Cup	1984-85

\*Trophy shared with Liverpool

30 years ago....





- 43 years old male
- History of ACS in 2020; poor adherence
- NYHA fc III
- Crackles with pedal edema
- ECG QS anterior leads
- CXR cardiomegaly with pulmonary edema
- Lab Cr 1.34, NTproBNP 3435
- Echo EDD 58 / EF 23% / RWMA (+) / moderate MR / TAPSE 1.8

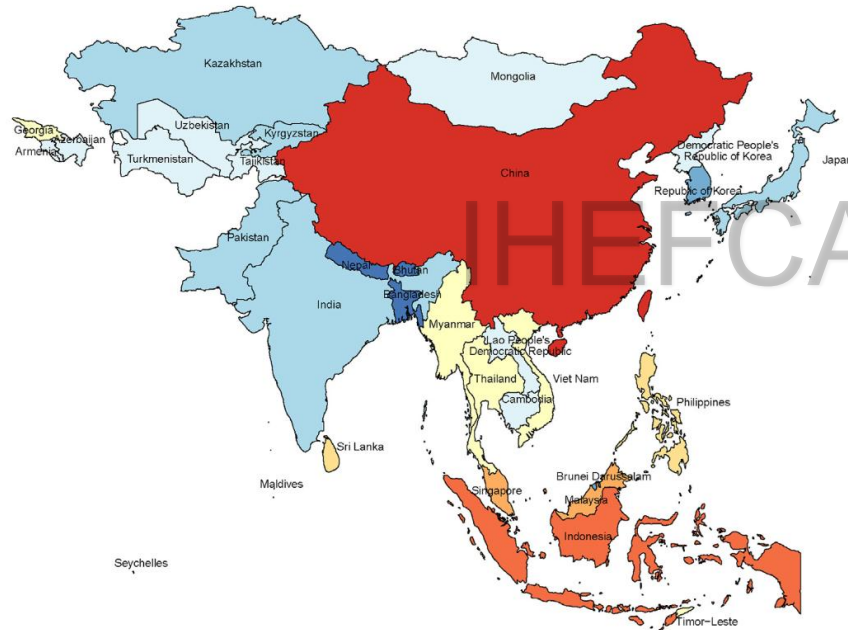
## How to initiate and optimize tx?

- 51 years old male
- History of HF since 2021 (ICM non-revasc)
- NYHA fc III manageable to fc I-II
- BPs 108-123 mmHg; HR 68-76 bpm (monthly visit)
- No congestion; 6-mwt >300 m
- ECG SR, poor R wave V1-V5
- Echo EDD 62 / EF 32% / RWMA (+) / moderate MR / TAPSE 1.9 / E/A 1.7
- Current meds : ramipril 5 mg od, bisoprolol 5 mg od, spironolactone 25 mg od, dapa 10 mg od, statin

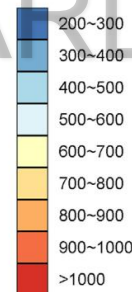
**Satisfy enough?**



# Age-Standardized Prevalence Rate of Heart Failure in Asia



ASR of Prevalence (/10<sup>5</sup>)



The 3 highest nations in terms of ASR :

1. China (1,032.84)
2. **Indonesia (900.90)**
3. Malaysia (809.47)

**Indonesia:**

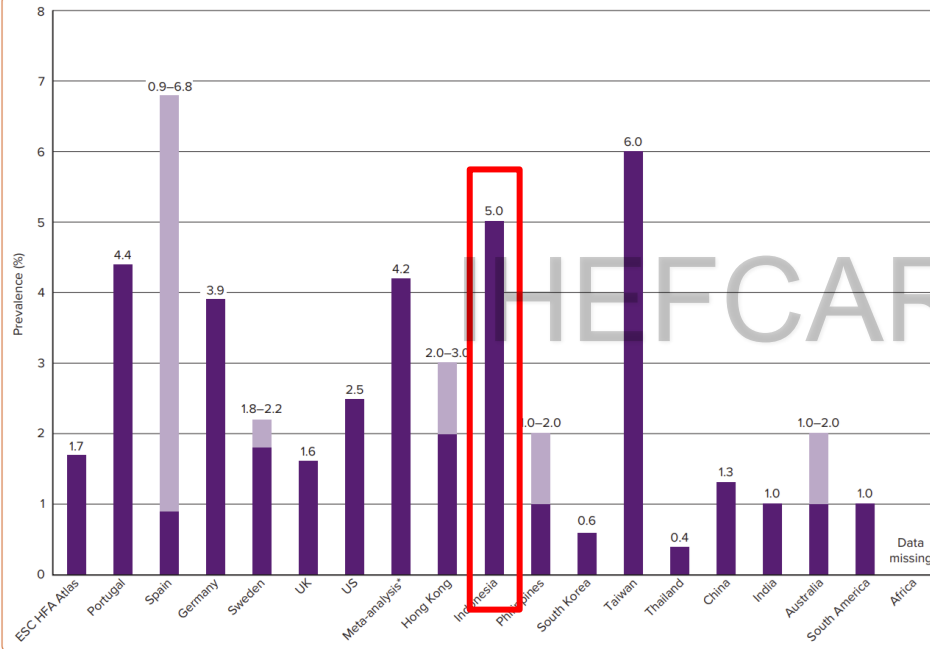
ASR 1990: 835.45

ASR 2019: 900.90

**7.83%**



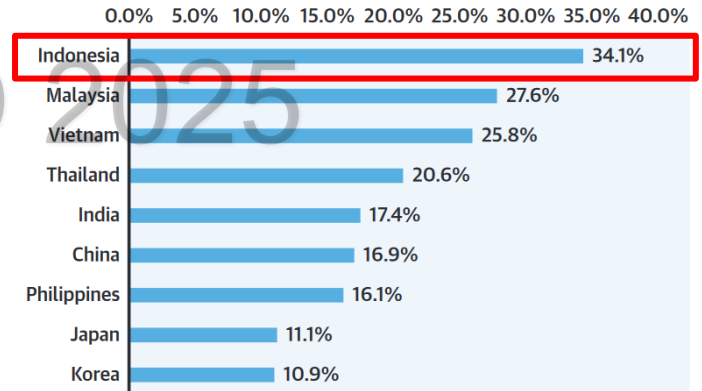
# Prevalence of Heart Failure Worldwide



\*Meta-analysis of studies from developed countries using echocardiographic case validation. ESC = European Society of Cardiology; HFA = Heart Failure Association.

**The 1-Year Mortality of Asian HF Patients Is Still High,  
Especially in Southeast and South Asia:  
CV Death is the Primary Cause of Death for HF**

**Crude Mortality of HF at 1 Year of Asian Countries in  
the Report-HF Study**



Shahim et al. Cardiac Failure Review 2023;9:e11  
Feng J, et al. JACC: Asia. 2024;4(4):249-264.

# Heart Failure across Asia

Prevalence or characteristic	Asia									Europe	USA
	Hong Kong	Indonesia	Malaysia	Philippines	Singapore	South Korea	Taiwan	Thailand	Vietnam		
Prevalence of HF	2%–3% <sup>a</sup>	5%	–	1%–2%	–	0.6%	6%	0.4%	–	1%–2%	2%
Demographic characteristics of HF patients											
Male	45%	66%	75%	57%	64%	55%	72%	–	59%	61%	53%
Female	55%	34%	26%	43%	36%	45%	28%	–	41%	39%	47%
Mean age at admission (years)	76.8	57.8	61.8	60	66.6	69	64	67	59	70	74
Cardiovascular risk factors											
Ischemic heart disease		35%	68%	52%	37%	37%	44%	45%	32%	54%	46%
Valvular/rheumatic heart disease		18%	29%	20%	–	14%	8%	19%	18%	–	–
Cardiomyopathy (non-ischemic)		2%	28%	11%	–	21%	34%	14%	21%	–	–
Hypertensive heart disease		8%	2%	6%	–	4%	7%	12%	21%	–	23%
Other causes <sup>b</sup>		2%	5%	7%	–	11%	7%	–	–	–	–
Hypertension		33%	75%	–	–	–	–	–	–	63%	76%
Current smoking		28%	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Diabetes mellitus		37%	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	33%	43%
Dyslipidemia		31%	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	44%
Overweight		47%	25%	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Renal disease		24%	31%	4%	–	–	31%	19%	5%	17%	50%
Atrial fibrillation		16%	24%	–	21%	–	26%	24%	22%	39%	31%
Coronary heart disease		35%	73%	52%	49%	–	43%	47%	–	54%	50%
Cerebrovascular disease		2%	7%	0%	15%	–	9%	12%	–	–	–
COPD		18%	13%	2%	12%	–	12%	8% <sup>c</sup>	3%	19%	–

**Indonesia: Younger, Male, Overweight, CAD, DM, hypertension**

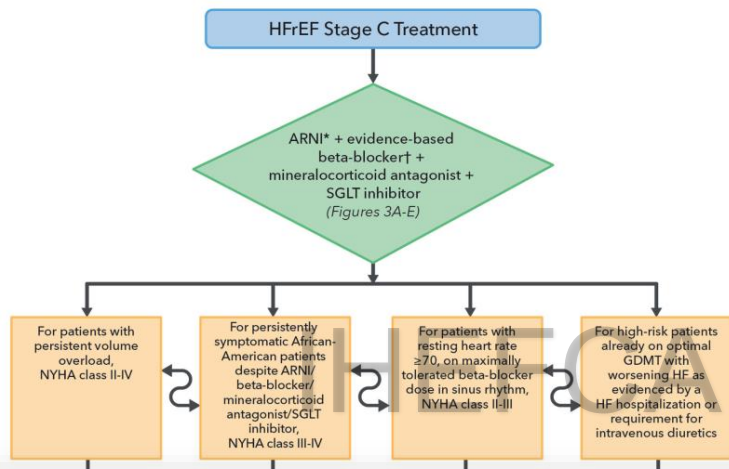
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<sup>a</sup> In patients aged >85 years.

<sup>b</sup> Including tachycardia, congenital heart disease and cardiopulmonary heart disease.

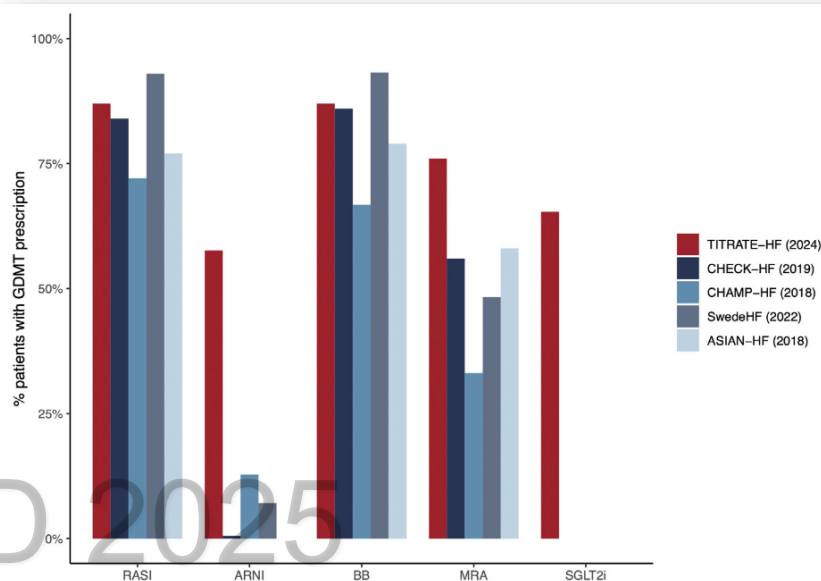
<sup>c</sup> COPD or asthma.

## Despite the guideline...



	N	Mean age (years)	RASi	RASi td	BB	BB td	MRA	MRA td
CHAMP-HF	2518	66.4	73.4%	16.8%	67.0%	27.5%	33.4%	76.6%
CHECK-HF	8360	72.3	84%	43.6%	86%	18.9%	56%	52.0%
ASIAN-HF	5276	59.6	77%	17%	79%	13%	58%	29%
ESC-LT (Spanish)	2834	65	92.6%	ACEi 16.2%/ARB 23.3%	93.3%	13.2%	74.5%	23.5%
QUALIFY	7092	63.1	86.7%	ACEi 27.9%/ARB 6.9%	86.7%	14.8%	69.3%	70.8%
Savarese 2021	68,172	65–75	-	ACEi 15%/ARB 10%/ARNI 30%	-	12%	-	-

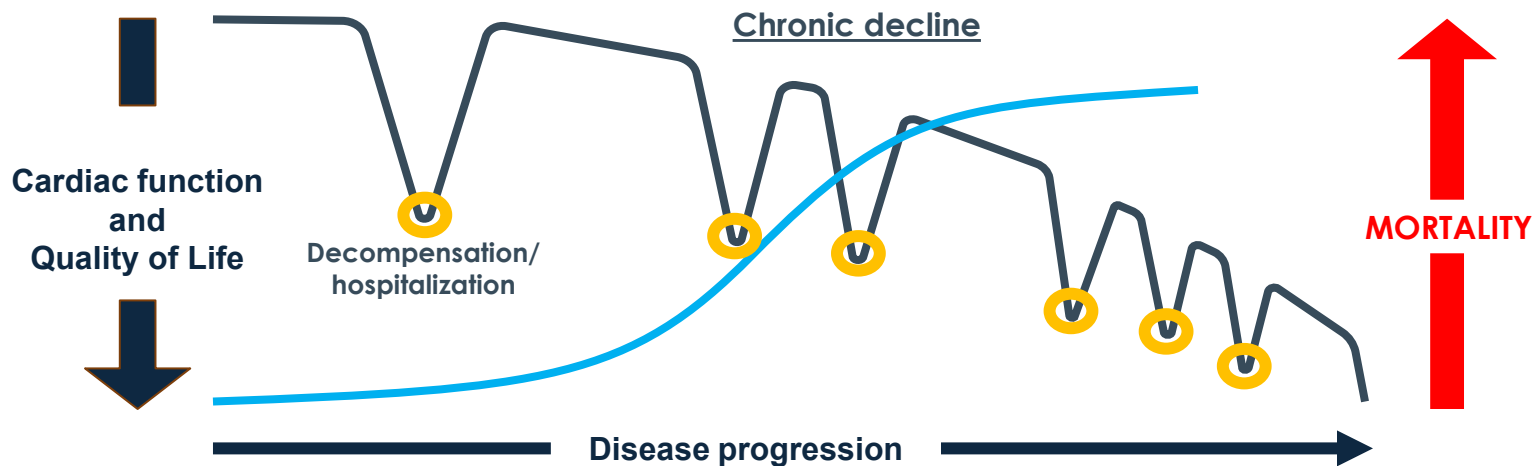
ACEi angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor, *td* target dose, ARB angiotensin II receptor blocker, ARNi angiotensin receptor–neprilysin inhibitor, BB beta-blocker, MRA mineralocorticoid receptor antagonist



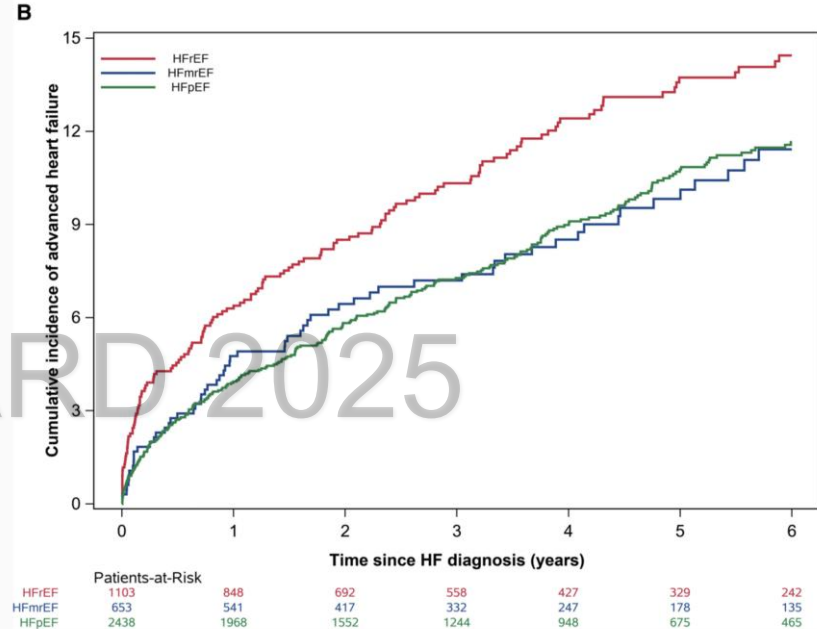
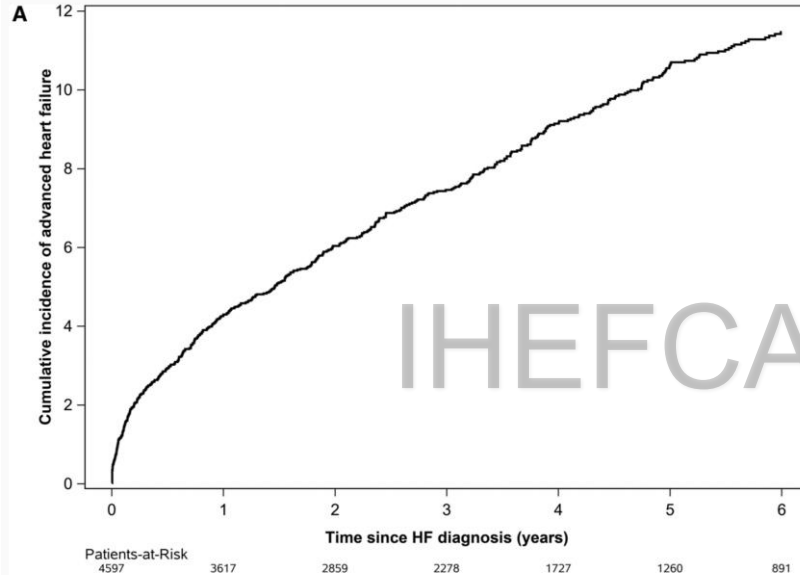


# HF is a chronic condition interspersed with acute episodes

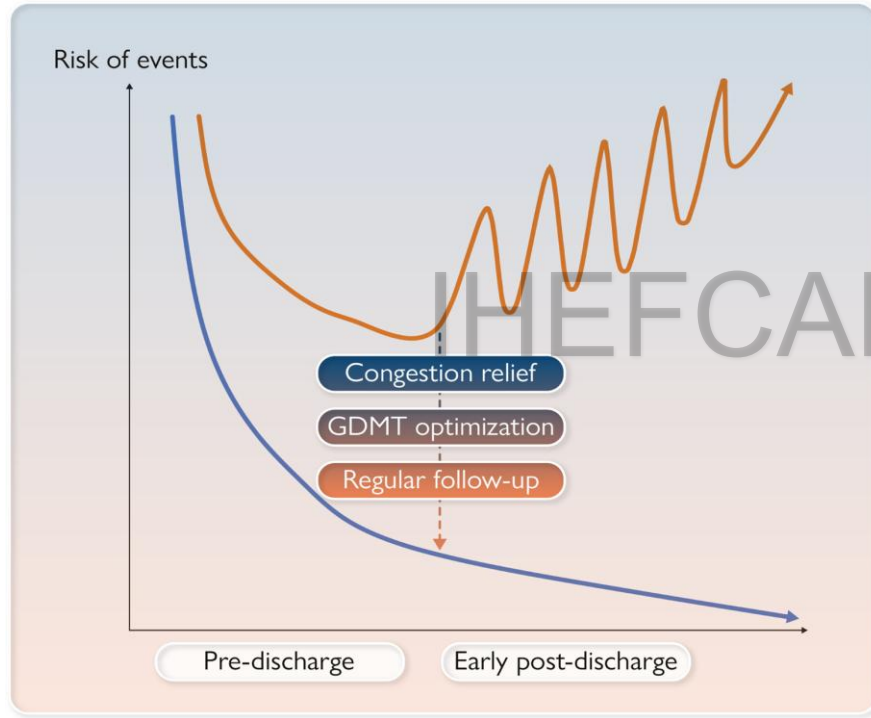
Frequency of decompensation and risk of mortality increase, with acute events and sudden death occurring at any time



# Magnitude of the Problem



The **cumulative incidence of advanced HF** was 6.0% (5.4%–6.8%), 9.1% (8.3%–10.1%), and 11.5% (10.5%–12.5%) at 2, 4, and 6 years after incident HF diagnosis

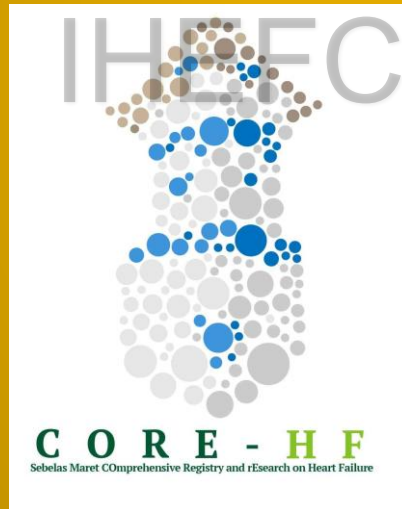


Determinants of better outcome after discharge

1. Optimal **decongestion**
2. Optimization **GDMT**
3. Intensive **post-discharge monitoring** reduce mortality and new heart failure events after discharge

**Key Points :**  
Pre-discharge treatment  
**initiation and optimization**

# LEARNING POINT



## 2023 Interim Analysis

# Drug Regimens

According to :

- 2021 ESC Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Treatment of Acute and Chronic Heart Failure
- 2021 CCS/CHFS Heart Failure Guidelines Update
- 2022 AHA/ACC/HFSA Guideline for the Management of Heart Failure

DRUG CLASS				HFrEF		
	In	12 Mo	12 Mo	Initial	3 Mo (Opt.)^	12 Mo (Opt.)^^
ACE-Inhibitor	81.1%	81.1%	81.1%	86.7%	82.6% (98.8%)	76.0% (98.4%)
ARB	1.7%	1.7%	1.7%	8.9%	11.0% (83.7%)	17.6% (95.5%)
ARNI	0.7%	0.9% (100.0%)	1.3% (100.0%)	4.4%	6.1% (54.2%)	6.0% (93.3%)
Beta-Rec. Blocker	97.1%	99.1% (81.7%)	98.7% (92.2%)	98.5%	99.5% (84.6%)	99.6% (92.8%)
MRA	23.5%	34.5% (26.3%)	39.7% (41.9%)	48.7%	65.0% (51.6%)	70.4% (59.7%)

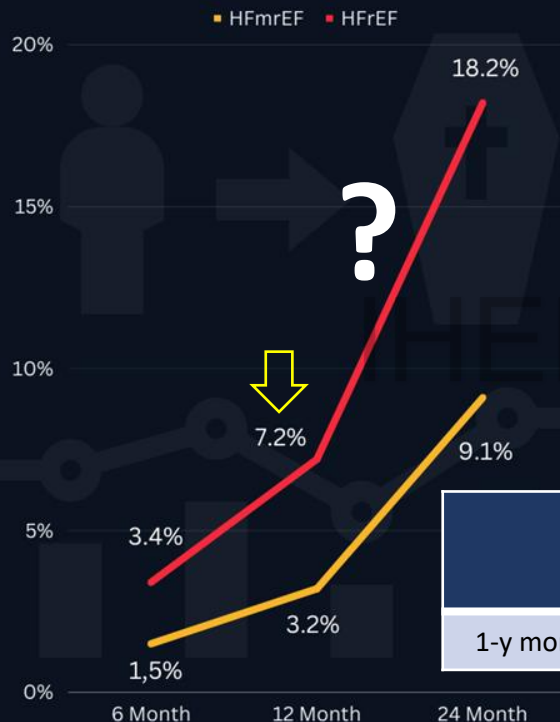


\*110 Subjects ; \*\*78 Subjects ; ^391 Subjects ; ^^250 Subjects

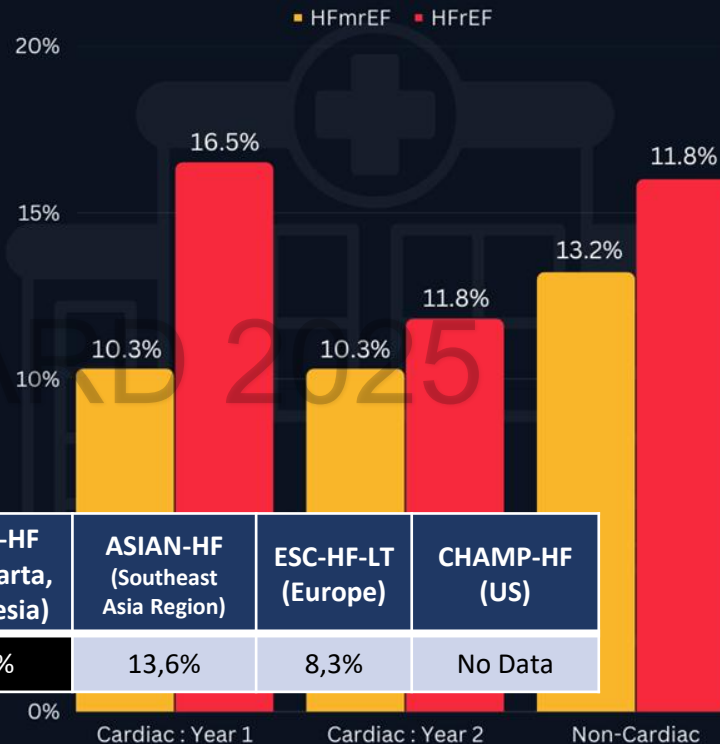


# Outcome

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Cummulative All-Cause Mortality



Rehospitalization

	CORE-HF (Surakarta, Indonesia)	ASIAN-HF (Southeast Asia Region)	ESC-HF-LT (Europe)	CHAMP-HF (US)
1-y mortality	7,2%	13,6%	8,3%	No Data

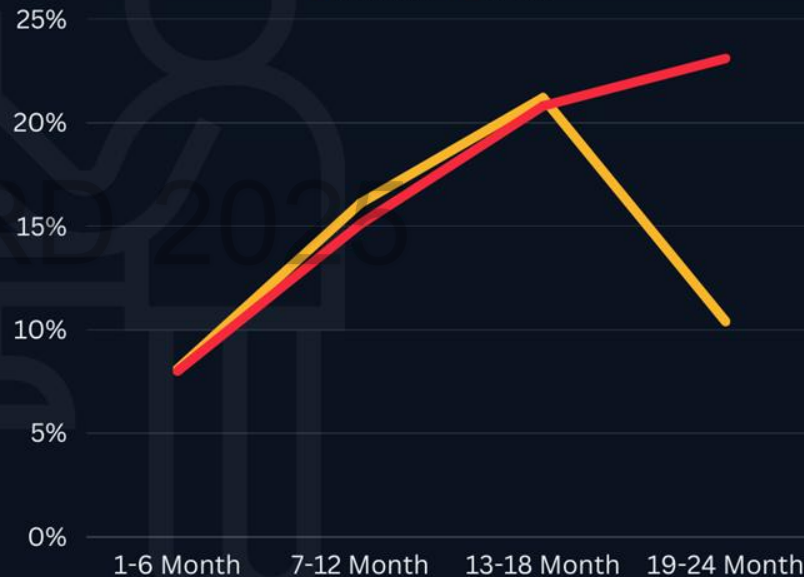


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# Follow-Up

■ HFmrEF ■ HFrEF



Lost-to-Follow-Up



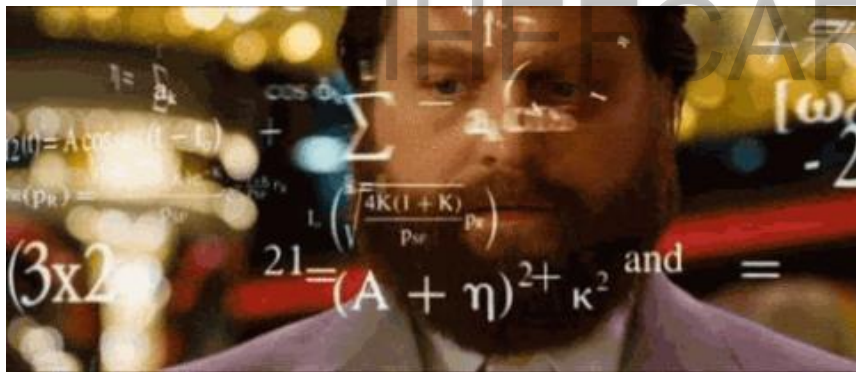
History of Non-Compliance

# Definition of clinically 'stable' CHF

A treated patient with **symptoms and signs** that have **remained generally unchanged** for at least 1 month is said to be '**Chronic STABLE HF**'.

ESC Guidelines (2016) Eur Heart J; 37: 2129-2200.

**But it is not that simple!**

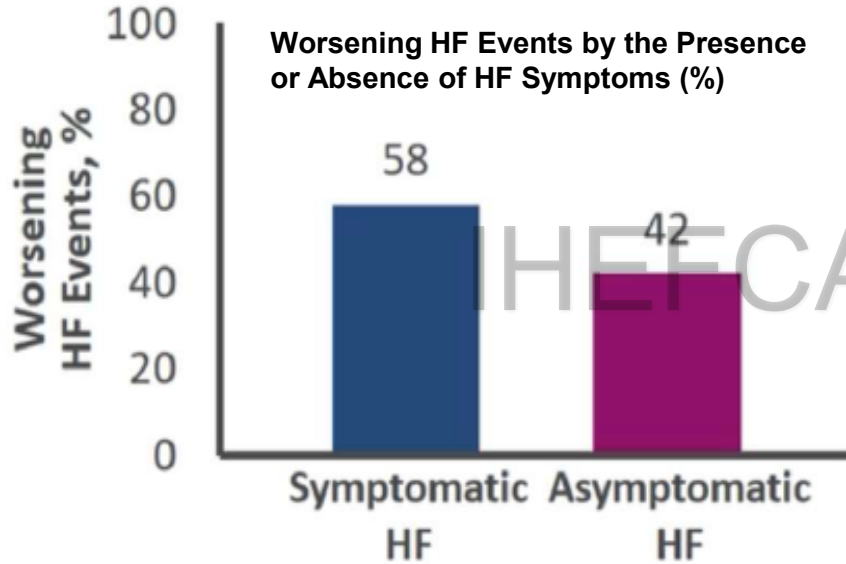


Stability condition?

$$\kappa T \left( 1 + \frac{2B(1-u)}{(1-u)\sigma^2 + uv^2} \right) < \frac{1}{e}$$

- Easier to meet stability condition the larger the volume  $u$  or the infinitesimal variance  $v^2$  of the short transfers

# Asymptomatic Worsening of HF



**Asymptomatic worsening was defined as :**  
an event indicative of fluid retention by a clinician despite the absence of symptoms\*

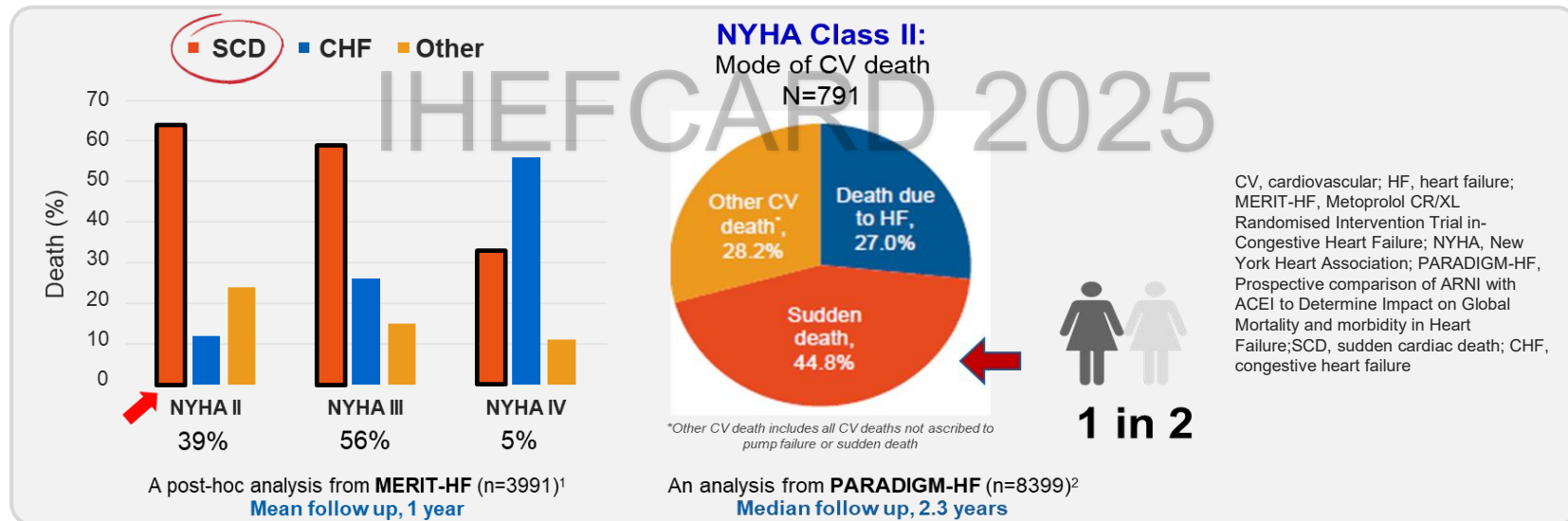
All events except one case, both in symptomatic and asymptomatic **worsening HF demonstrated elevated serum BNP**

\*Symptoms of worsening HF included dyspnea on exertion or at rest, orthopnea, paroxysmal nocturnal dyspnea, or inappropriate fatigue. In this study, appearance of moderate to severe leg edema without any other HF-related symptoms was included to be one of the HF-related symptoms.

Kataoka, Congest Heart Fail. 2012;18:37-42.

# NYHA class II : high risk of sudden cardiac death

- **MERIT HF** post hoc analysis: the incidence of SCD is higher in patients with less severe HF (NYHA class II), although total mortality rates increase with higher NYHA class
- **PARADIGM-HF** analysis: 70% of patients were NYHA II □ 44.8% of NYHA class II HF CV deaths were SCDs





## Factors influencing limited adherence to GDMT (Guideline Directed Medical Therapy)<sup>13</sup>



### Physician:

1. Lack of awareness
2. Focus on treating symptoms
3. Fear of adverse effects



3. Intolerance and contraindications



**Get Back to the  
GUIDELINES...!**

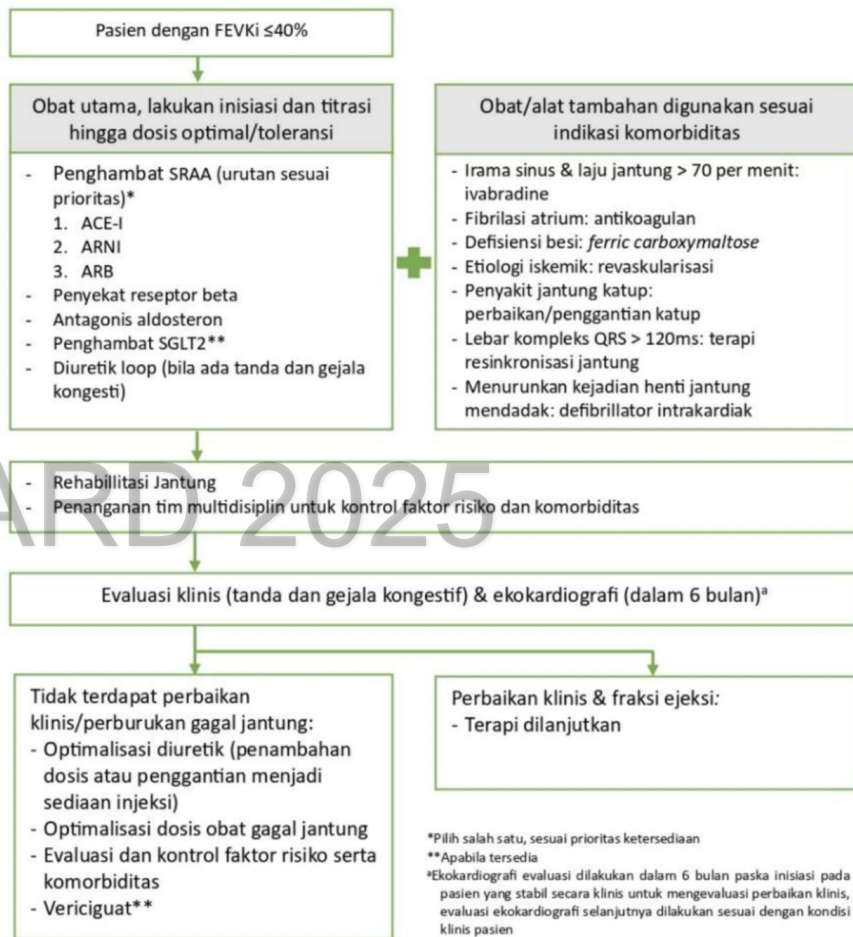
### Non-medical:

- High costs
- Limited access

# InaHF guideline...



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<https://inahfcarmet.org/>



Gambar 4. 1 Algoritma tatalaksana HFrEF

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## Management of HFrEF

## To reduce mortality - for all patients

ACE-I/ARNI

BB

MRA

SGLT2i

## To reduce HF hospitalization/mortality - for selected patients

## Volume overload

Diuretics

SR with LBBB  $\geq 150$  ms

CRT-P/D

SR with LBBB 130–149 ms or non LBBB  $\geq 150$  ms

CRT-P/D

## Ischaemic aetiology

ICD

## Non-ischaemic aetiology

ICD

Atrial fibrillation

Anticoagulation

Atrial fibrillation

Digoxin

PVI

Coronary artery disease

CABG

Iron deficiency

Ferric carboxymaltose

Aortic stenosis

SAVR/TAVI

Mitral regurgitation

TEE MV Repair

Heart rate SR &gt;70 bpm

Ivabradine

Black Race

Hydralazine/ISDN

ACE-I/ARNI intolerance

ARB

## For selected advanced HF patients

Heart transplantation

MCS as BTT/BTC

Long-term MCS as DT

## To reduce HF hospitalization and improve QOL - for all patients

Exercise rehabilitation

Multi-professional disease management

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### 5.4.2 Angiotensin II type 1 receptor blockers

The place of ARBs in the management of HFrEF has changed over the last few years. They are now recommended for patients who cannot tolerate ACE-I or ARNI because of serious side effects. Candesartan in the CHARM-Alternative study reduced CV deaths and HF hospitalizations in patients who were not receiving an ACE-I due to previous intolerance.<sup>138</sup> Valsartan, in addition to usual therapy, including ACE-I, reduced HF hospitalizations in the Val-HeFT trial.<sup>147</sup> However, no ARB has reduced all-cause mortality in any trial.

professional disease management

## ARNI vs ACEi

*which one is **better**?*



**HAVING ONLY  
ONE OPTION IS  
NOT AN OPTION.**

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**REMEMBER THIS:**

**You are free to  
choose, but you are  
not free from the  
consequence of  
your choice.**



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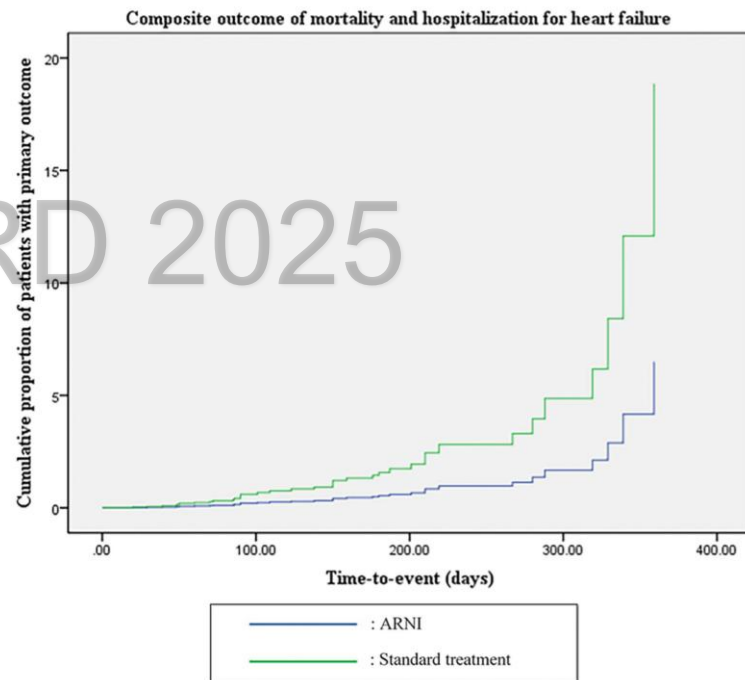


# Real-world experience of angiotensin receptor/neprilysin inhibitor (ARNI) usage in Thailand: a single-center, retrospective analysis

Wipharak Rattanaivanon<sup>1</sup>, Thanyaluck Sotananusak<sup>2</sup>, Fairus Yamaae<sup>1</sup>, Arisa Chandrsawang<sup>1</sup>, Pitchapa Kaewkan<sup>3</sup>, Surakit Nathisuwan<sup>1</sup> and Teerapat Yingchoncharoen<sup>3\*</sup>

## Conclusions

In real-world practice, ARNI use was associated with a **significant reduction in both clinical outcomes and symptom improvement**, while **orthostatic hypotension was more common** in patients in the ARNI group than in patients in the standard treatment group.



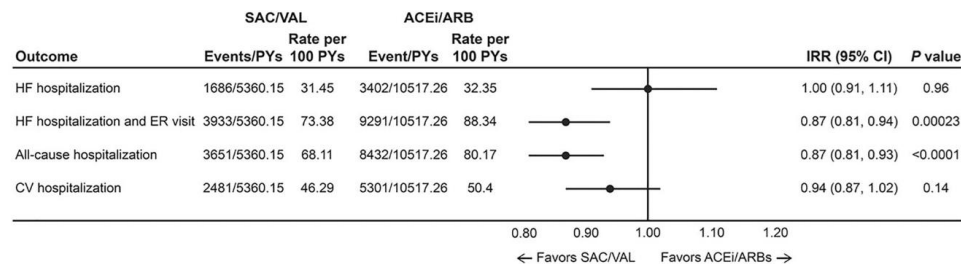
**Fig. 2** Kaplan-Meier curve of primary outcome. \* Cox-regression analysis adjusted by age, BMI, dilated cardiomyopathy, chronic kidney disease, use of cardiac resynchronization therapy, use of ivabradine



ORIGINAL RESEARCH

# Hospitalization Rates in Patients with Heart Failure and Reduced Ejection Fraction Initiating Sacubitril/Valsartan or Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme Inhibitors/Angiotensin Receptor Blockers: A Retrospective Cohort Study

Emma Houchen · Emil Loeftroth · Raymond Schlienger · Clare Proudfoot · Stefano Corda · Sibasish Saha · Sarvesh K. Satwase · Rachel Studer

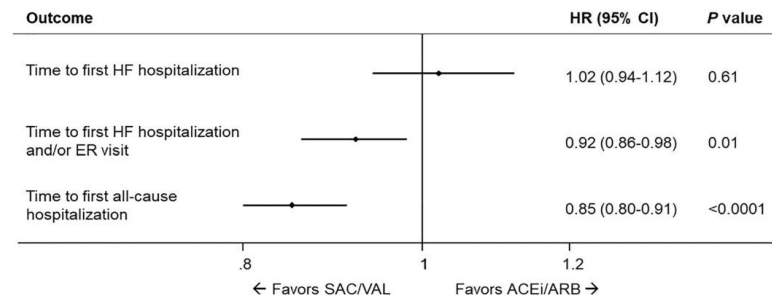


**Fig. 3** Comparison of rate of events between new SAC/VAL users and new ACEi/ARB users. ACEi angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor, ARB angiotensin receptor

blocker, CI confidence interval, CV cardiovascular, ER emergency room, HF heart failure, IRR incidence rate ratio, PY patient-year, SAC/VAL sacubitril/valsartan

## Conclusions

In real-world clinical practice, RAASi-naïve patients with HFrEF initiating SAC/ VAL were **less likely to be hospitalized** than those initiating ACEi/ARB, suggesting a potential for a **reduced clinical and economic burden** in these patients.



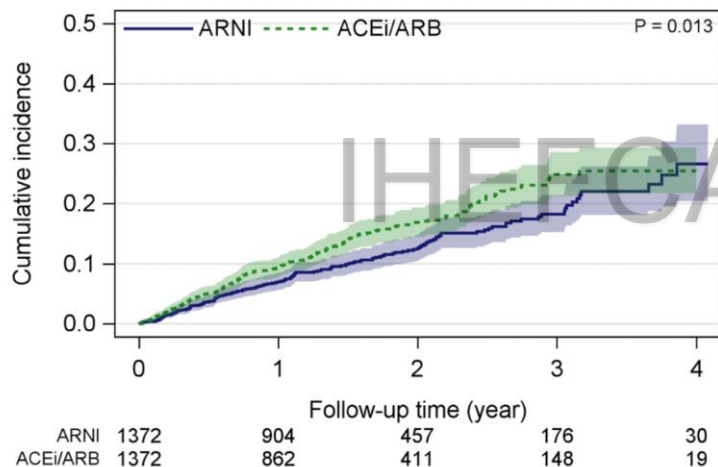
**Fig. 4** Comparison of time to event between new SAC/VAL users and new ACEi/ARB users. ACEi angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor, ARB angiotensin receptor

blocker, CI confidence interval, ER emergency room, HF heart failure, HR hazard ratio, SAC/VAL sacubitril/valsartan



## Real-world comparative effectiveness of ARNI versus ACEi/ARB in HF with reduced or mildly reduced ejection fraction

Michael Fu<sup>1</sup> · Aldina Pivodic<sup>2,3</sup> · Oskar Käck<sup>4</sup> · Madlaina Costa-Scharplatz<sup>4</sup> · Ulf Dahlström<sup>5,6</sup> · Lars H. Lund<sup>7</sup>



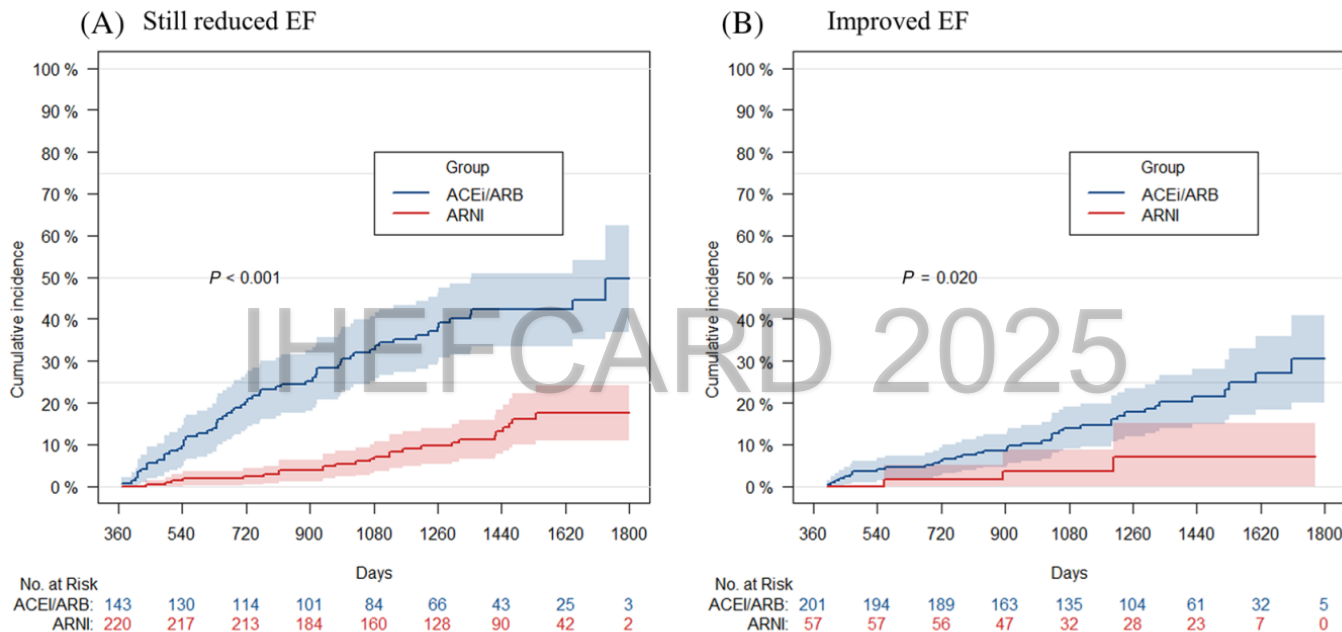
### Conclusions

In this nationwide real-world study including a population of patients with HF with **reduced or mildly reduced EF**, ARNI as part of guideline-led Swedish clinical practice was associated with a statistically significant relative risk reduction in **all-cause mortality** compared with ACEi/ARB.

**Fig. 2** Cumulative incidence estimates with 95% confidence intervals for **all-cause mortality** for ARNI versus ACEi/ARB groups matched 1:1 ratio using propensity score matching including clinical variables. *ACEi* angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor, *ARB* angiotensin receptor blockers, *ARNI* angiotensin receptor–neprilysin inhibitor

# Real-world long-term impact of ARNI

## - according to changes in **LVEF**



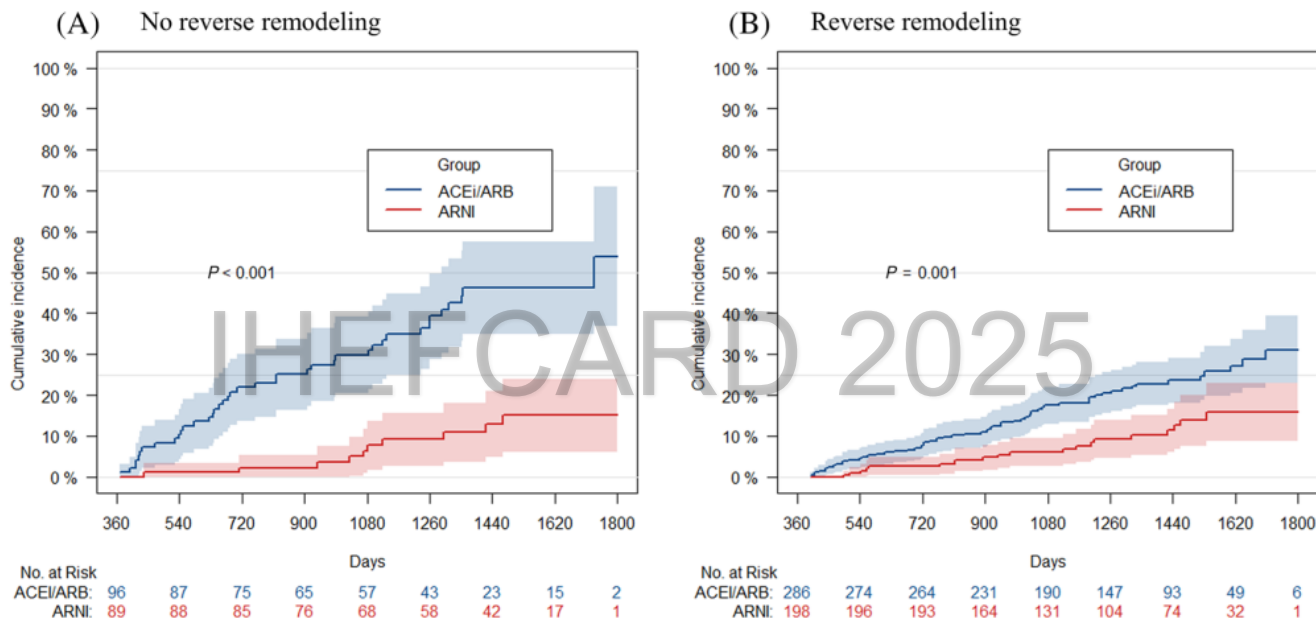
\*Composite event : all-cause mortality and HF hospitalization

Prolonged use of ARNI **can be superior** to ACEIs/ARBs in HFrEF patients who:

- A. Patients with **persistent reduced EF** following 1 year of treatment (ARNI vs. ACEIs/ARBs, 17.6% vs. 49.7%, **P < 0.001**)
- B. Patients with **HFimpEF following 1 year of treatment** (ARNI vs. ACEIs/ARBs, 7.0% vs. 30.4%, **P = 0.020**)

# Real-world long-term impact of ARNI

## - according to changes in **LV reverse remodeling** in HFrEF



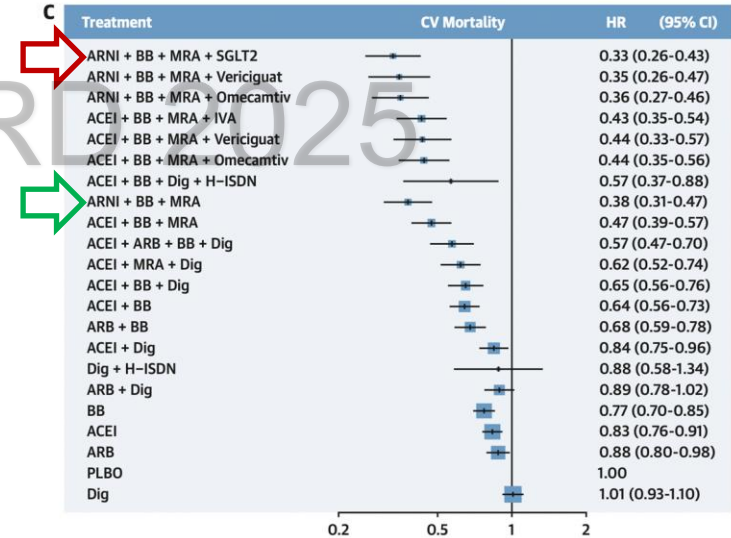
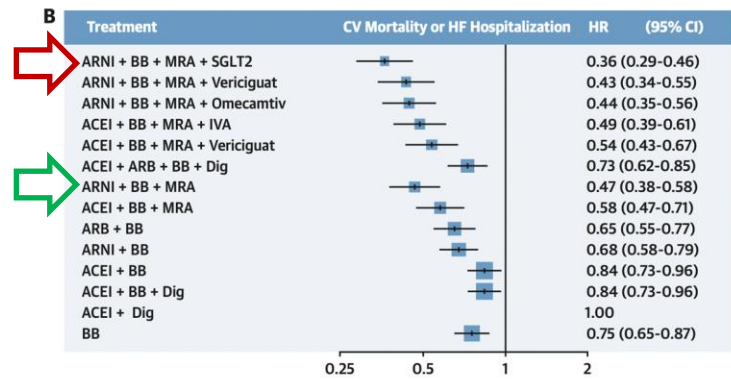
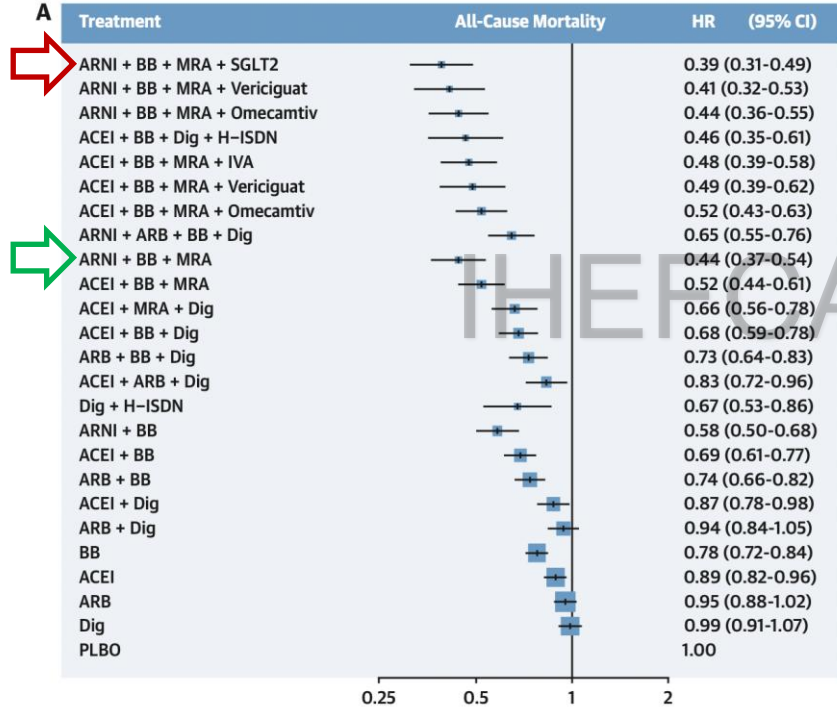
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Prolonged use of ARNI can be superior to ACEi/ARBs in patients with HFrEF:

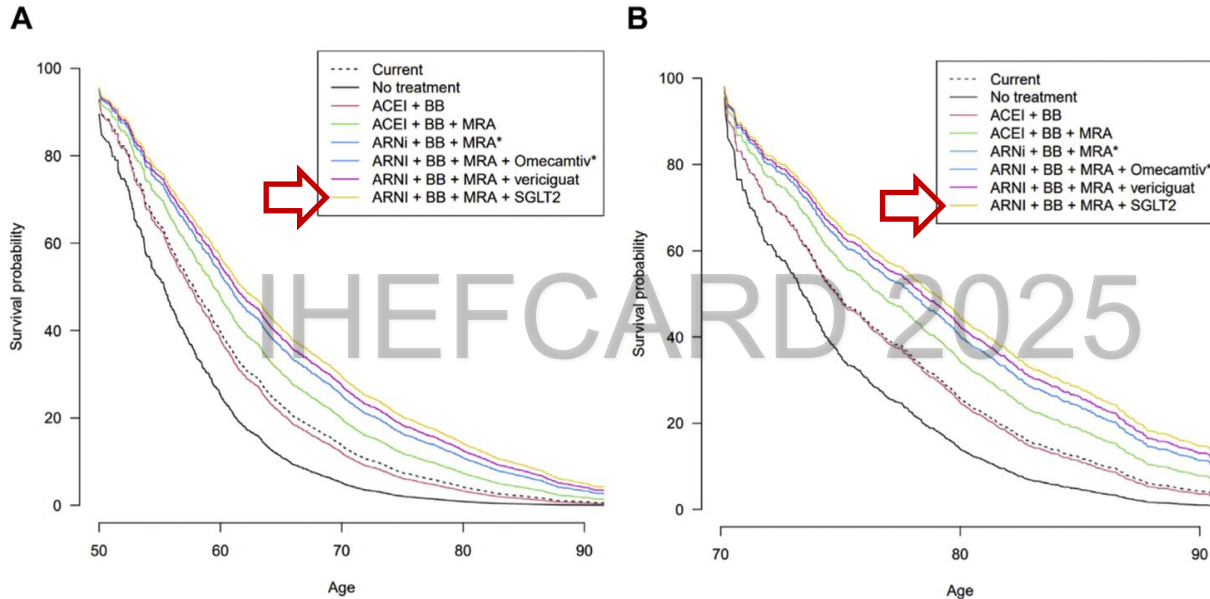
A. Patients without LV reverse remodeling following 1 year of treatment (ARNI vs. ACEi/ARBs; 15.0% vs. 54.9%,  $P < 0.001$ )

B. Patients with LV reverse remodeling after 1 year of treatment (ARNI vs. ACEi/ARBs, 15.8% vs. 31.1%,  $P = 0.001$ ).



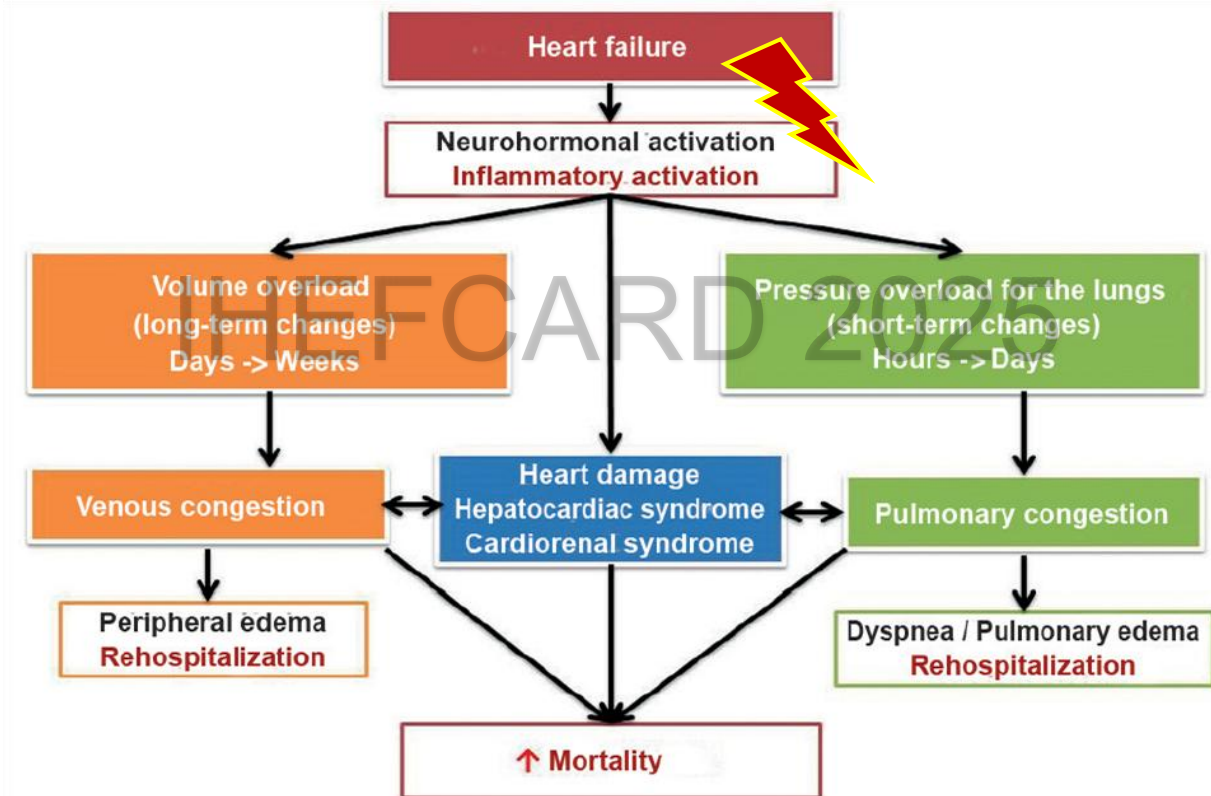


**FIGURE 3** Estimated Average Lifetime Graphs



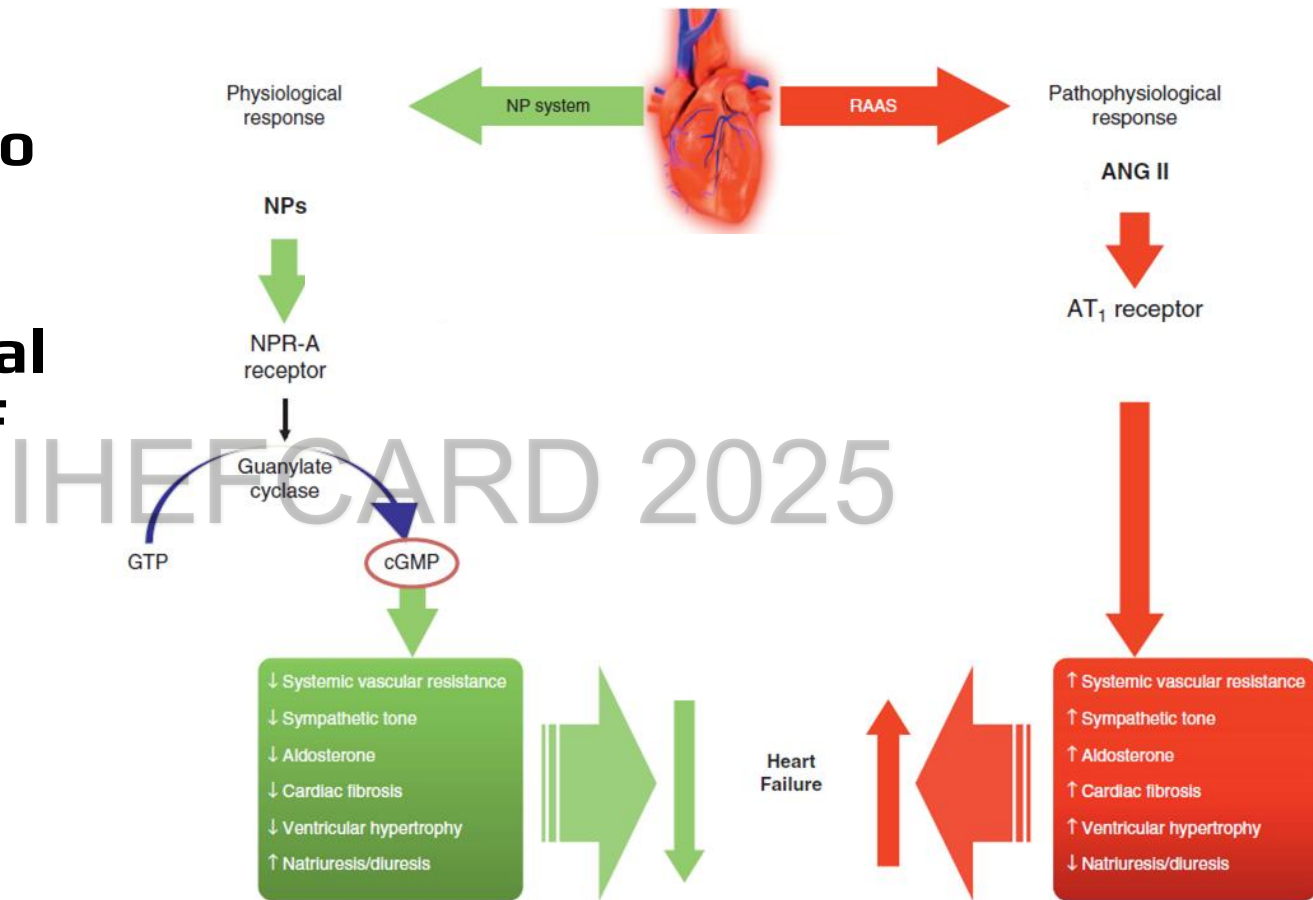
Estimated average lifetime benefit for selected treatment combinations in BIOSTAT-CHF and ASIAN-HF at age 50 years (A) and age 70 years (B). Survival curves overlap for combinations with a \*. Abbreviations as in Figure 2.

# Mechanisms of increased risk of death and rehospitalization in patients hospitalized for HF

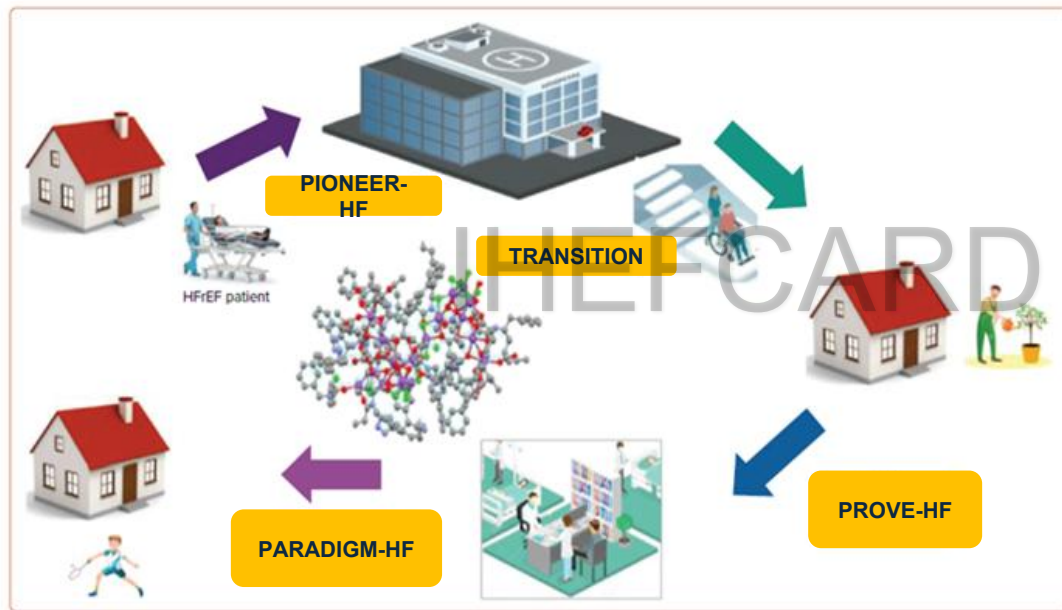


# ARNI:

modulates two counter-regulatory neurohormonal systems in HF



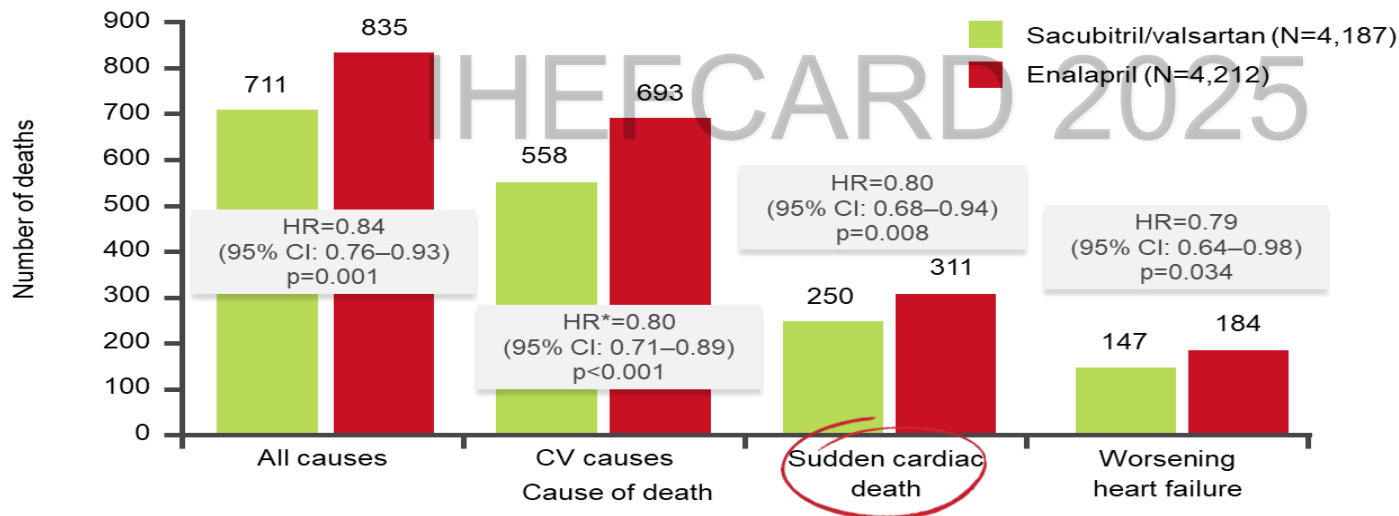
# Clinical trials of Sacubitril/Valsartan (S/V) in HFrEF patient journey



1. Once the patient with HFrEF is admitted to hospital, the **PIONEER** trial shows a significant reduction in NT-proBNP associated with the use of S/V in the acute setting; moreover, a significant reduction in HF re-hospitalization is documented.
2. After discharge, the **TRANSITION** trial shows that S/V is safe and well-tolerated in acute HFrEF patients after hemodynamic stabilization.
3. In the ambulatory setting, the **PROVE-HF** trial document a beneficial effect of S/V on reverse remodeling.
4. In stable HFrEF patients at home, the **PARADIGM-HF** trial shows a 20% reduction in CV death and HF hospitalization with S/V vs enalapril.

# Sacubitril/valsartan significantly reduced death from CV causes or first hospitalization for HF\*

- More than 80% of deaths in PARADIGM-HF had a CV cause
- Sacubitril/valsartan is related to the observed reduction in sudden cardiac death and death due to worsening heart failure



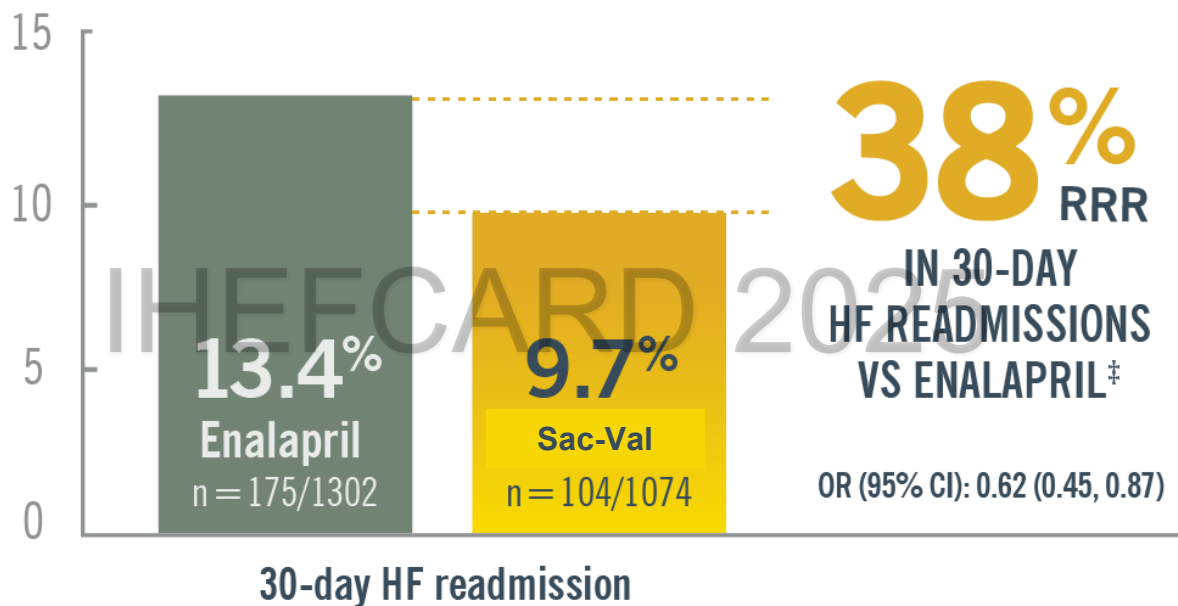
ACEI, angiotensin-converting-enzyme inhibitor; ARNI, angiotensin receptor neprilysin inhibitor; CI, confidence interval; CV, cardiovascular; HFrEF, heart failure with reduced ejection fraction; HR, Hazard ratio; PARADIGM-HF, Prospective comparison of ARNI with ACEI to Determine Impact on Global Mortality and morbidity in Heart Failure

\*Results from death from CV causes as per those reported by McMurray et al. Note that the hazard ratio reported by Desai et al. was HR=0.80 (95%CI: 0.72–0.89); p<0.001



# Sacubitril-Valsartan **reduced 30-day HF readmissions** vs enalapril

(post hoc analysis)



CI=confidence interval; HF=heart failure; OR=odds ratio; RRR=relative risk reduction.

\*The primary unit of analysis was hospitalisations, including repeat hospitalisations, rather than patients.

<sup>†</sup>Among patients hospitalised at least once for HF, patient characteristics were similar at baseline between treatment groups.

<sup>‡</sup>Data are from a PARADIGM-HF post hoc analysis (hospital readmission rate was not a primary end point).

**IN-PARALLEL** approach better than **STRICT SEQUENTIAL** approach\*

The point is : Always keep this family **TOGETHER**



# Take Home Points

- Stable HF Myth?
  - ✓ Is **almost always progressive**, even if patients appear stable
  - ✓ High risk of SCD in NYHA II
  - ✓ Risk of **non-compliance** in stable-felt patient
  - ✓ Persistent myocardial stress and fibrosis : subtle but progressive ventricle dysfunction
- The Facts :
  - ✓ The guidelines is there....,
  - ✓ But the **GDMT initiation and optimization are not there!**
- Solutions :
  - ✓ Early initiation of 4-pillars in HFrEF, keep optimize the dose
  - ✓ Evidence of benefit and superiority of **ARNI** (decrease risk of SCD by 20%)
  - ✓ **ARNI** addresses multiple pathways simultaneously
  - ✓ Assure the compliance through **simple medications regiment** and...





Knowledge is of no value  
unless you put it into practice.

Anton Chekhov

**Thank You**