



# USE OF ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY IN SEPTIC SHOCK

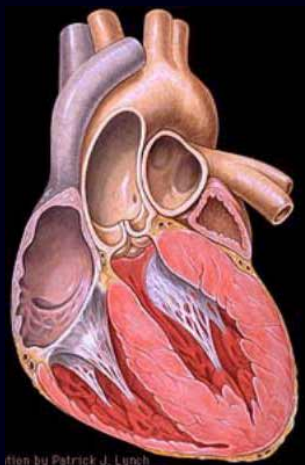


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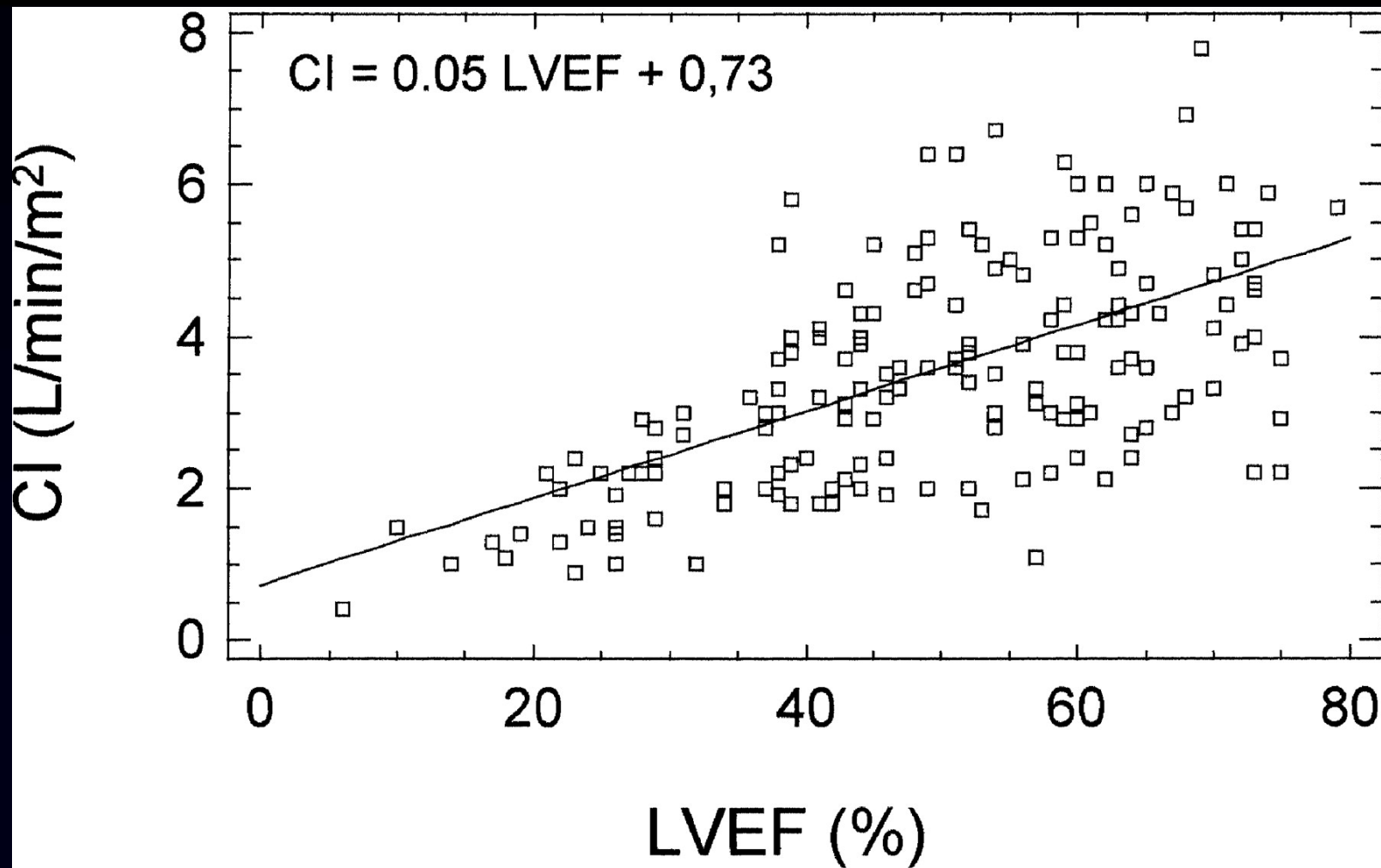
# **ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY IN SEPTIC SHOCK**

## **PATHOPHYSIOLOGIC ALTERATIONS:**

**Myocardial depression is frequently  
observed in septic shock**

# Echographic evaluation of LVEF in patients with septic shock

Vieillard-Baron et al  
AJRCCM 168:1270;2003



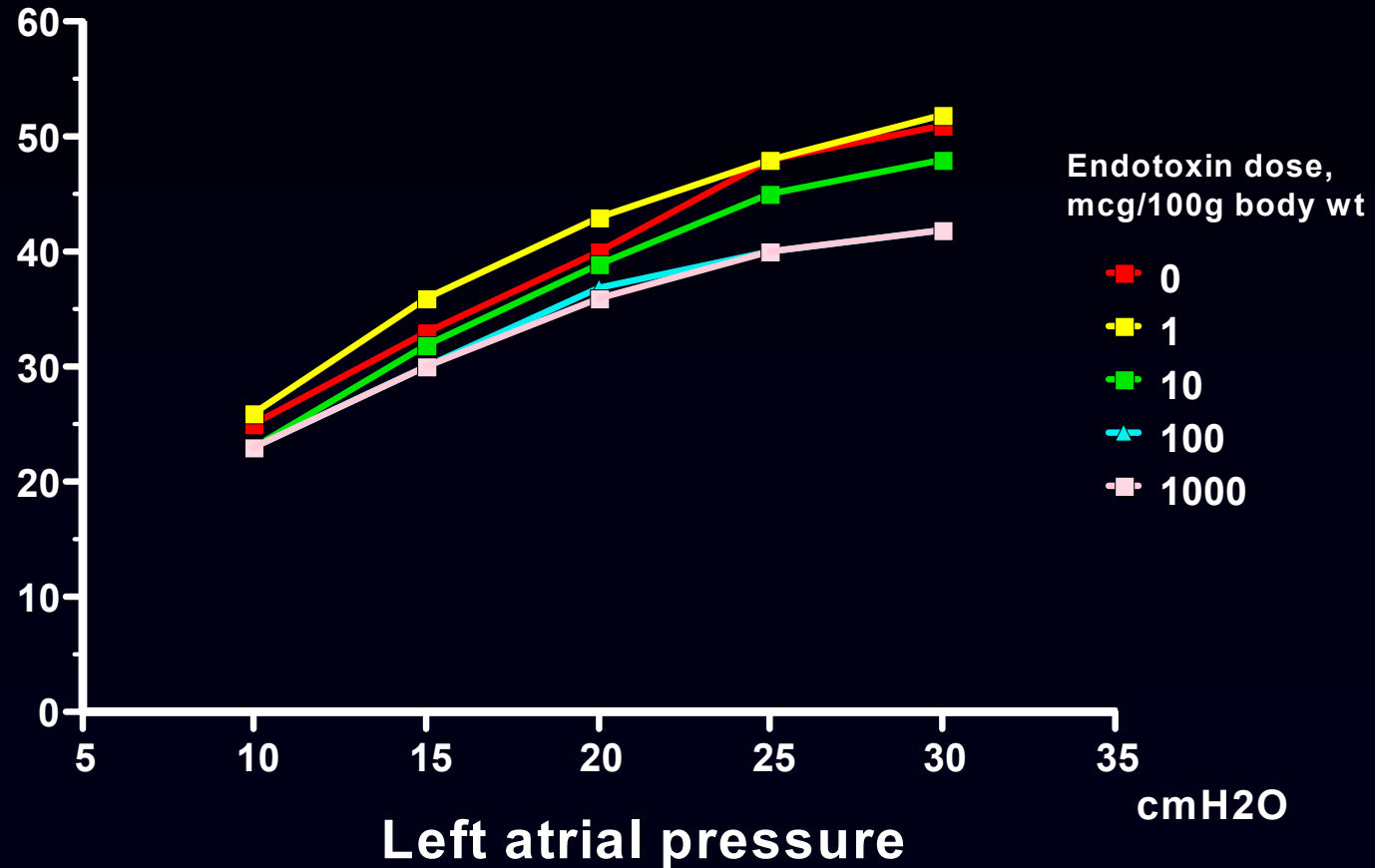
183 patients with septic shock

# EFFECTS OF ENDOTOXIN ON MYOCARDIAL FUNCTION

McDonnough et al  
AJP 250:H240;1986

Cardiac output

ml/min

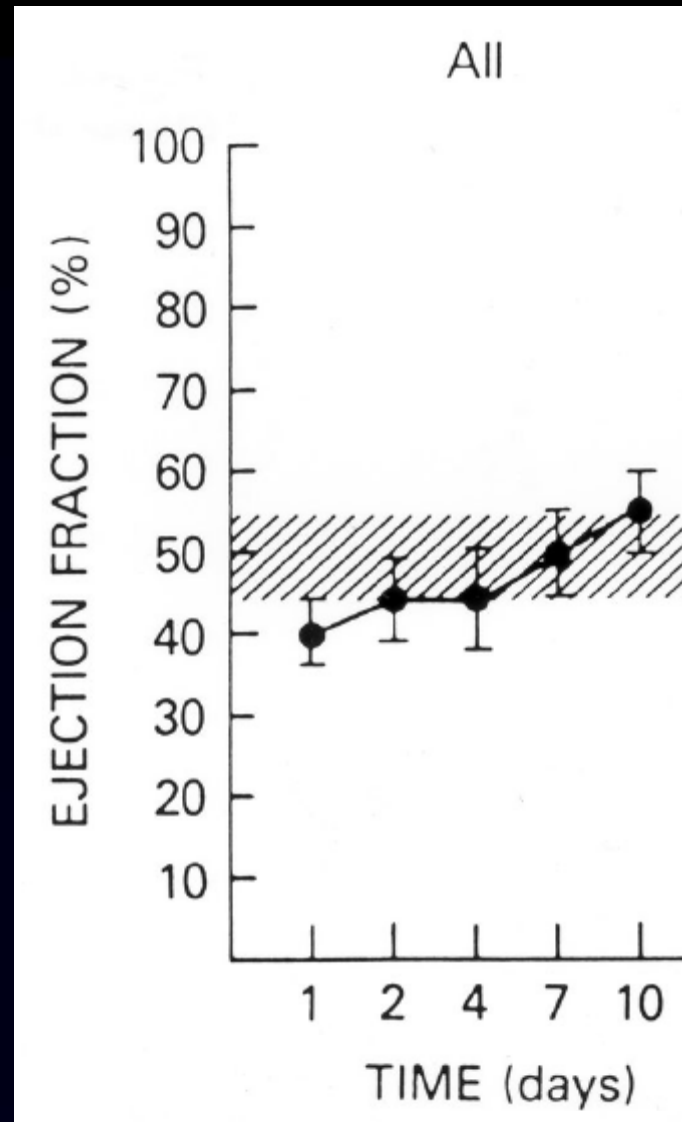


Isolated heart (rat)

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# Reversible myocardial depression in patients with septic shock

Parker et al. Ann Intern Med 1984; 100; 483-490



**Clinical case:**

**A 30 YO male with history of splenectomy in childhood (trauma) admitted for septic shock due to lung infection (*Streptococcus pneumoniae*).**

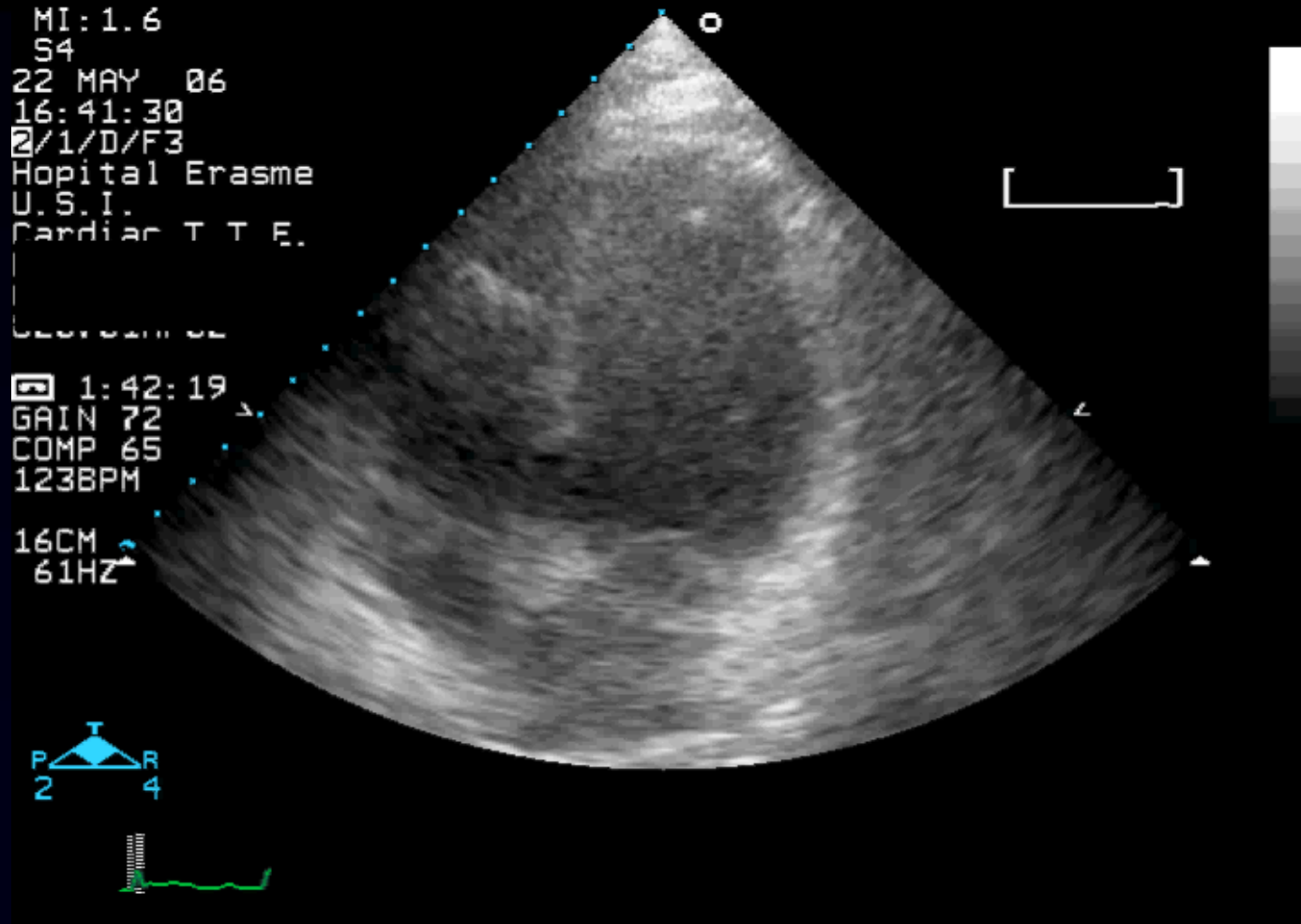
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MI: 1.6  
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U.S.I.  
Cardiac T.T.E.

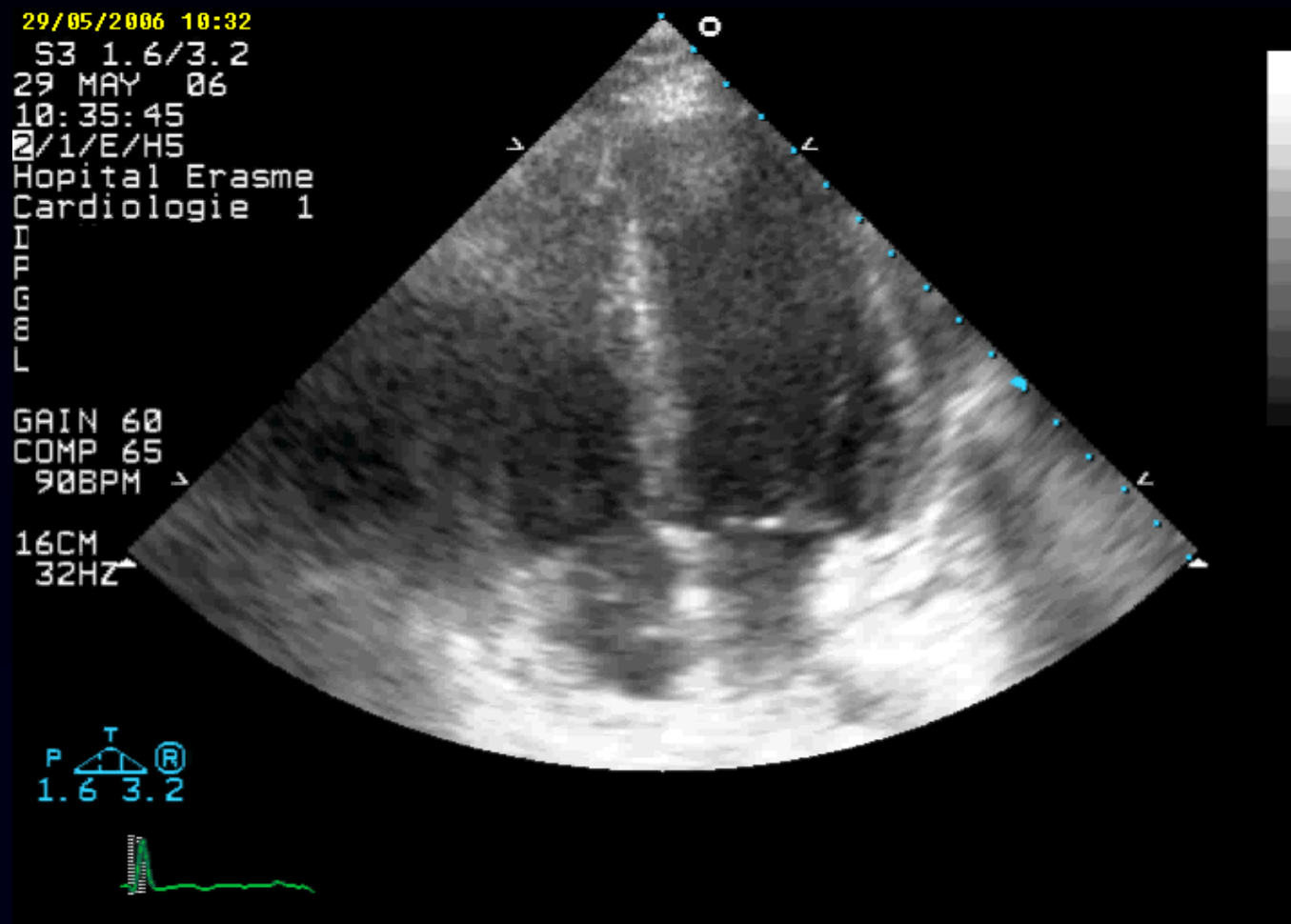
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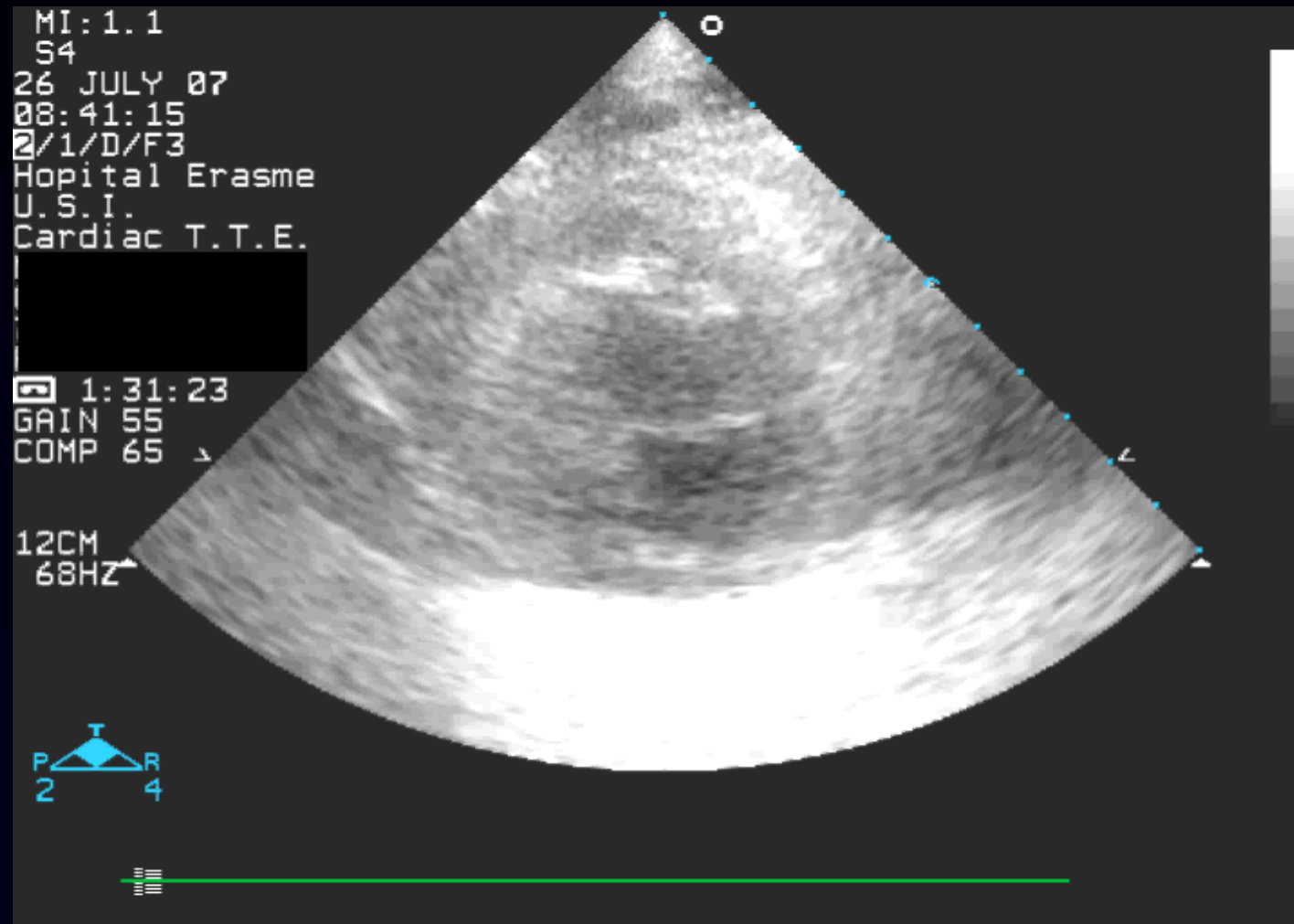


# ICU discharge (day 7)



**But cardiac output may be preserved...**

**CO 4.5 L/min**  
**ScvO<sub>2</sub> 52%**



MI: 1.4  
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15 APR 07  
09:06:38  
2/1/C/H1  
Hopital Erasme  
U.S.I.  
Cardiac T.T.E.

DDb

GAIN 65  
COMP 65

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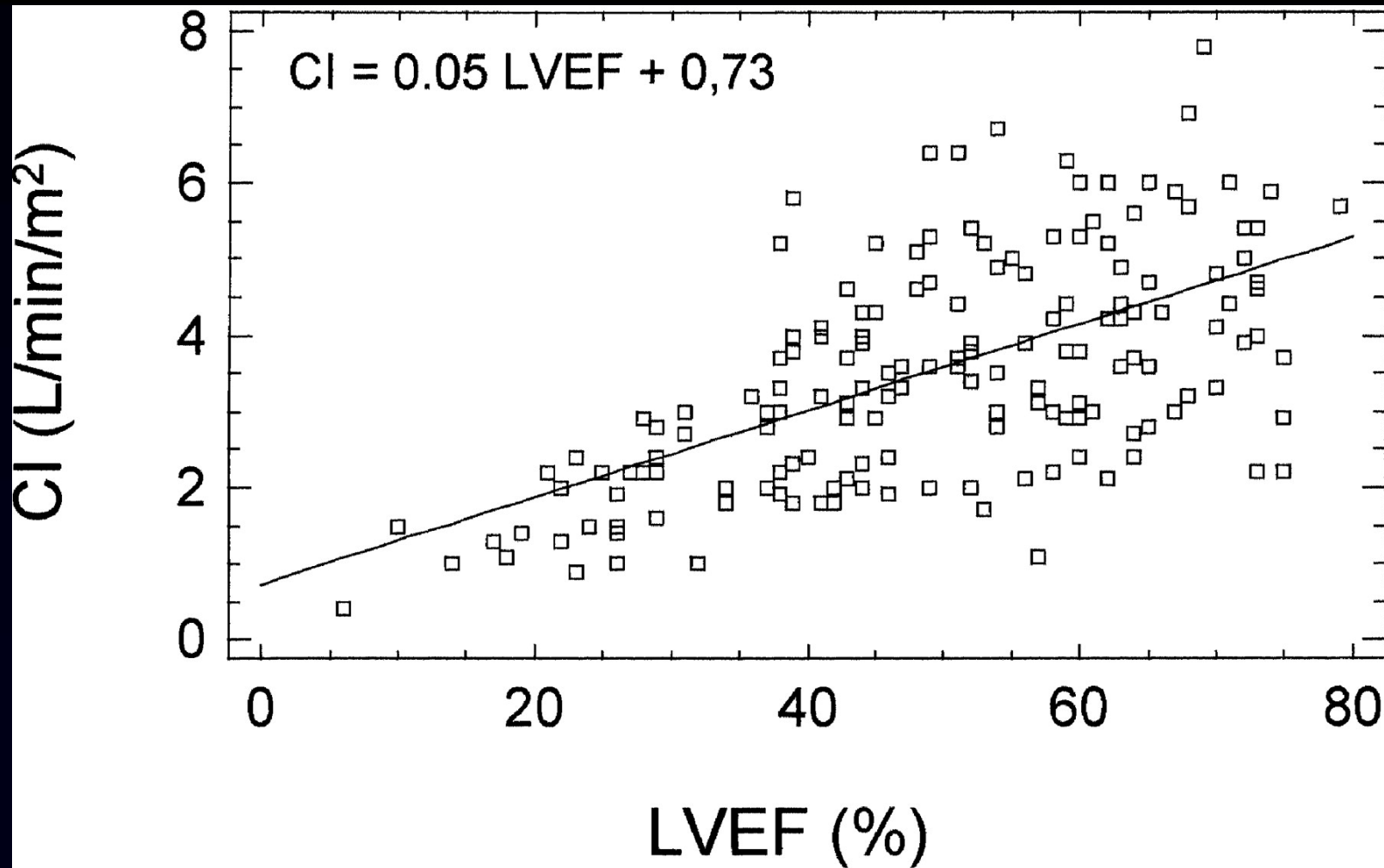
Ⓟ T R  
1.8 3.6



**CO 8.2 L/min**  
**ScvO<sub>2</sub> 68%**

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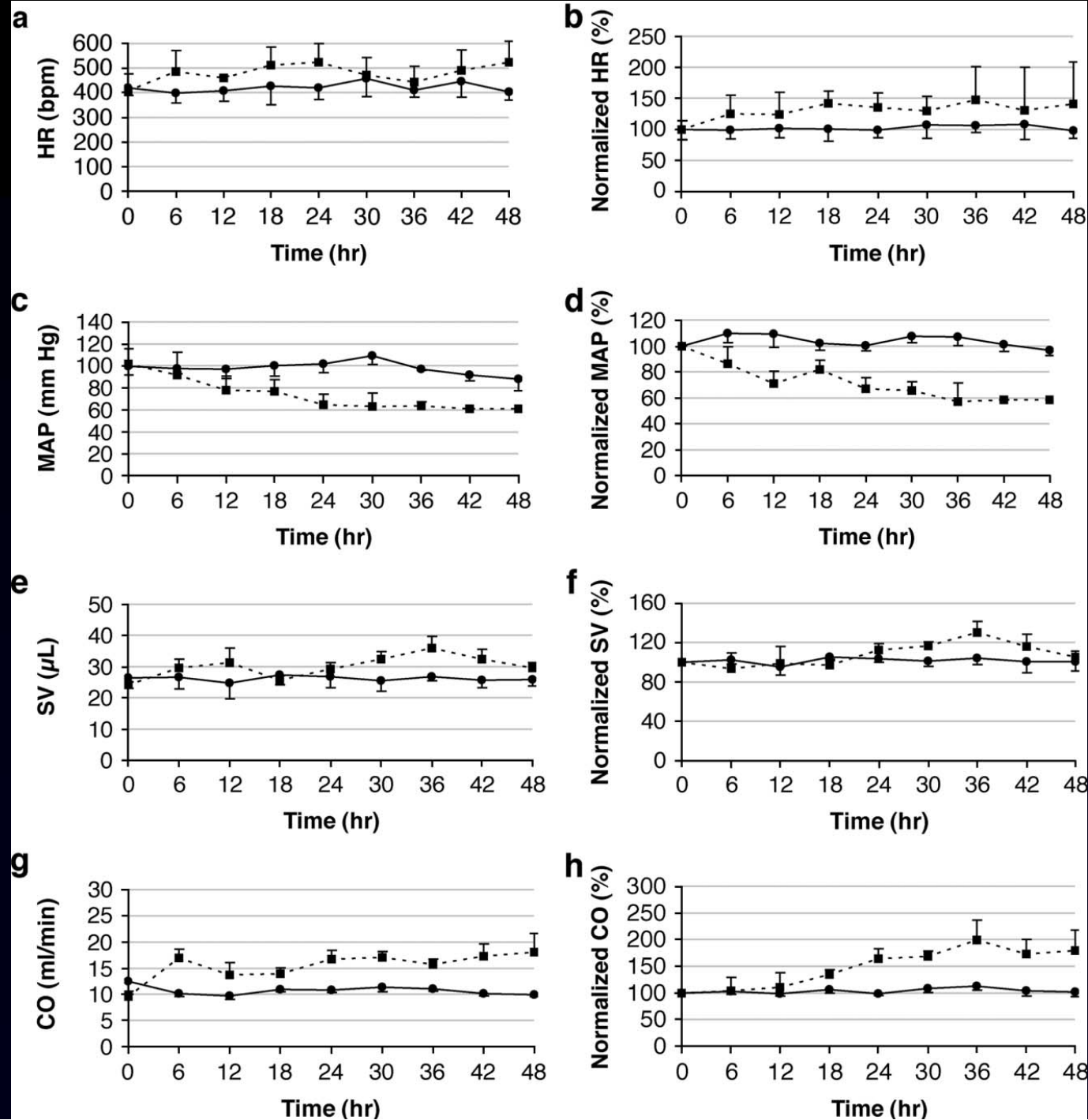
**183 patients with septic shock (1/3 hypodynamic)**

## **How can cardiac output be preserved in the context of impaired contractility?**

- **Increased heart rate**
- **Decreased afterload**
- **Preload adaptation ?**

Hollenberg et al  
Shock 24:58;2005

Mice  
CLP  
Fluids



**Preload adaptation refers to acute LV dilation**

$$\text{EF} = \text{SV} / \text{EDV}$$

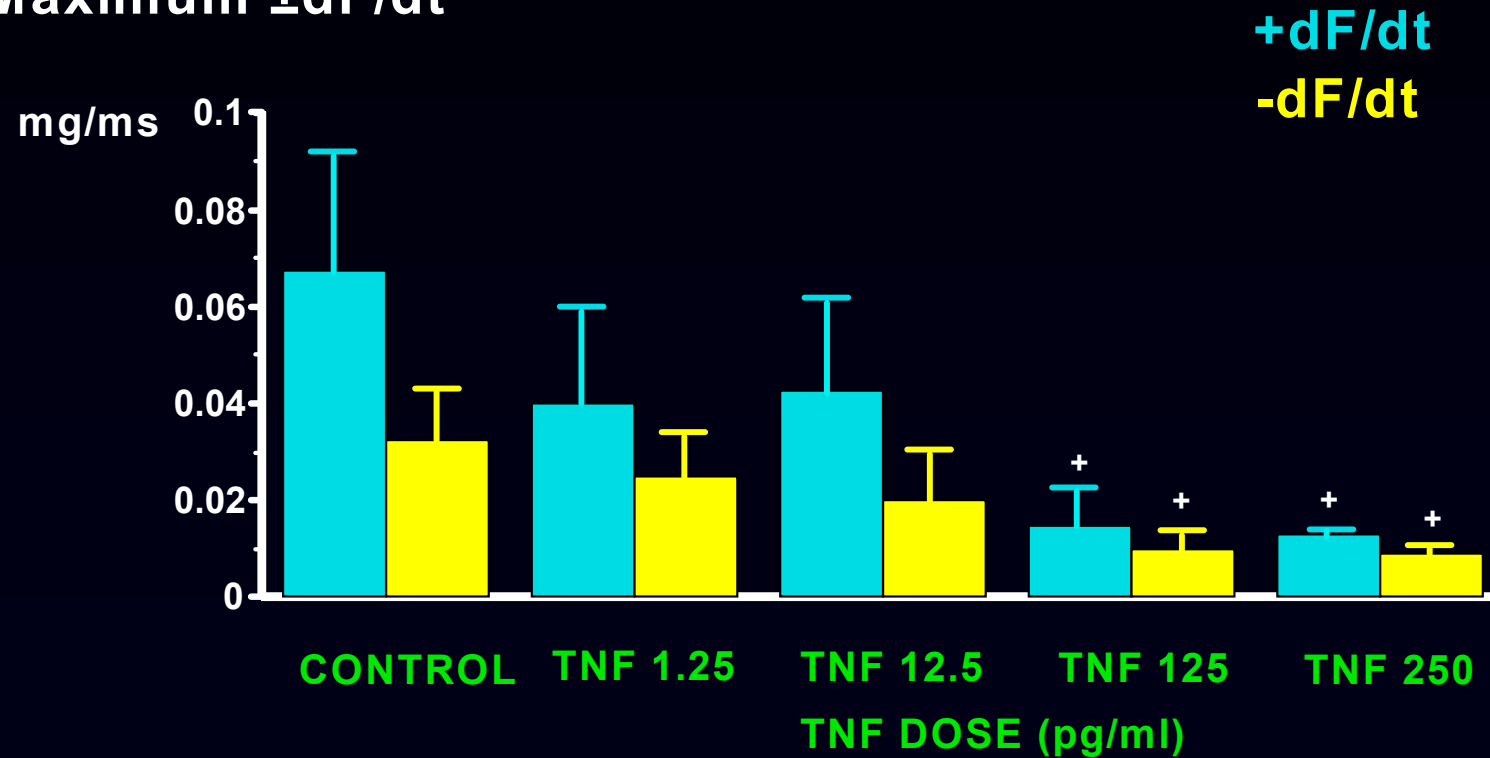
**If SV is maintained in the presence of a decreased EF, this can be achieved only via an increase in EDV (preload adaptation)**

**Diastolic dysfunction also occurs...**

# SYSTOLIC AND DIASTOLIC MYOCARDIAL DEPRESSION

Cain et al  
CCM 27:1309;1999

Maximum  $\pm dF/dt$



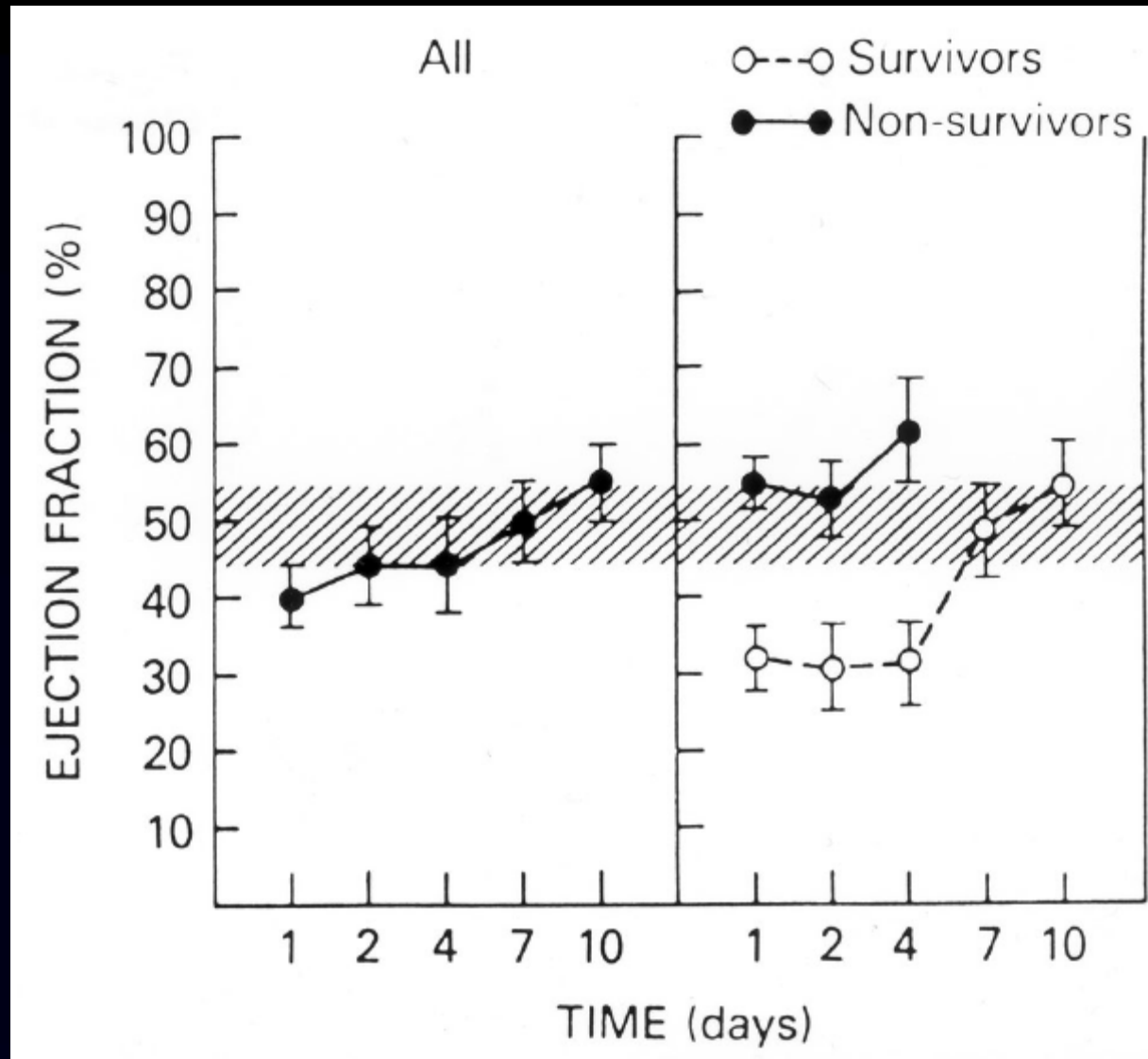
+ p<0.05 vs control

Isolated human atrial trabecules

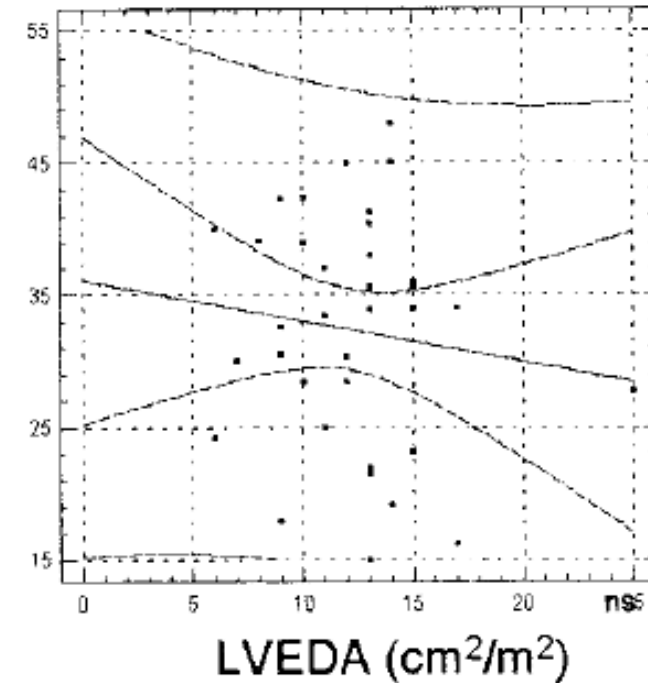
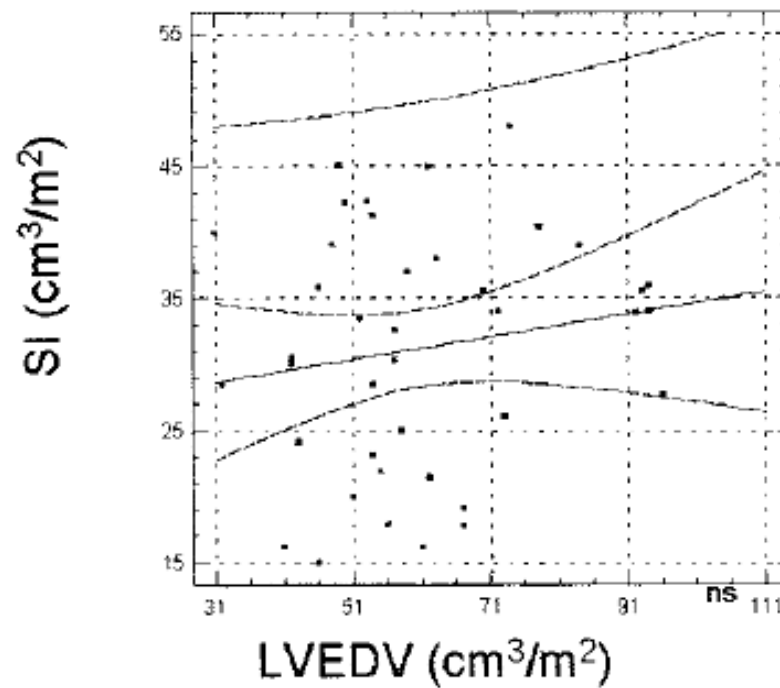
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**Does preload adpatation occurs ?**



**LVEDV within normal values in most instances**

|                                         | With Normal LV Function,<br>Baseline LVEF $\geq 55\%$ | With RCD                        | <i>p</i> Value |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
| No.                                     | 23                                                    | 7                               |                |
| No. with pre-existing cardiac condition | 2                                                     | 0                               |                |
| Age, yrs                                | 63.8 $\pm$ 13.1 [64; 56–71]                           | 57.3 $\pm$ 9.5 [61; 42–69]      | .169           |
| APACHE II                               | 19.5 $\pm$ 6.3 [20; 15–23]                            | 25.3 $\pm$ 9.0 [22; 15–39]      | .160           |
| Baseline LVEF, %                        | 58.1 $\pm$ 3.4 [58; 55–60]                            | 38.3 $\pm$ 10.9 [40; 20–50]     | <.001          |
| E/E'                                    | 14.2 $\pm$ 7.5 [14.6; 9.5–16.1]                       | 14.1 $\pm$ 7.1 [10.5; 6.7–25.8] | .976           |
| LVEDD, cm                               | 4.2 $\pm$ 0.8 [4.2; 3.9–4.8]                          | 4.9 $\pm$ 0.7 [4.9; 3.9–5.9]    | .034           |
| Baseline cardiac output, L/min          | 5.9 $\pm$ 1.7 [5.9; 5.2–6.5]                          | 6.3 $\pm$ 1.4 [5.9; 4.9–9.2]    | .623           |
| LOS <sub>ICU</sub>                      | 11.2 $\pm$ 11.1 [9; 5–13]                             | 19.4 $\pm$ 17.7 [16; 4–58]      | .084           |
| LOS <sub>HOS</sub>                      | 23.6 $\pm$ 28.6 [15; 9–20]                            | 32.4 $\pm$ 21.7 [28; 8–65]      | .148           |
| Mechanical ventilation:                 |                                                       |                                 |                |
| n (%)                                   | 15 (65.2%)                                            | 7 (70%)                         | .893           |
| Mean ventilation hour, hr               | 152 $\pm$ 256 [73; 0–157]                             | 218 $\pm$ 114 [192; 51–385]     | .045           |
| Mortality, n (%)                        | 5 (21.7)                                              | 0 (0)                           | .155           |
| Admission BNP, pg/mL                    | 568 $\pm$ 811 [279; 110–636]                          | 630 $\pm$ 726 [272; 43–1970]    | .806           |

# Impact of afterload

Kozerias et al  
ICM 33:1619;2007

## Septic shock patients

NE                      MAP    65                      =>90                      =>65 mmHg

| Parameter                     | Baseline        | Intervention     | Control         |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| HR (1/min)                    | 98 ± 19 (100)   | 95 ± 17 (94)     | 94 ± 19 (95)    |
| CVP (mmHg)                    | 12 ± 5 (12)     | 13 ± 7 (13)      | 12 ± 5 (13)     |
| CI (l/min/m <sup>2</sup> )    | 3.3 ± 0.9 (3.4) | 3.4 ± 0.9 (3.6)* | 3.3 ± 0.9 (3.3) |
| SVR (dyn*s*cm <sup>-5</sup> ) | 551 ± 106 (535) | 746 ± 91 (759)*  | 566 ± 138 (525) |
| GEF (%)                       | 22 ± 6 (22)     | 22 ± 6 (23)      | 23 ± 7 (22)     |
| GEDVI (ml/m <sup>2</sup> )    | 703 ± 178 (705) | 747 ± 175 (761)* | 704 ± 170 (696) |
| ITBVI (ml/m <sup>2</sup> )    | 816 ± 203 (827) | 867 ± 195 (915)* | 821 ± 205 (853) |
| EVLWI (ml/kg)                 | 7.0 ± 2.7 (7.0) | 7.5 ± 3.0 (7.0)  | 7.4 ± 3.0 (7.0) |

|                                              |                  |                 |                |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| <b>LVEDA</b> cm <sup>2</sup> /m <sup>2</sup> | <b>10.4± 4.7</b> | <b>12.4±3.8</b> | <b>9.7±3.3</b> |
| <b>LVEF</b> %                                | <b>37 ± 12</b>   | <b>36 ± 12</b>  | <b>38 ± 11</b> |

# Impact of afterload / preload (MAST)

Loubrires et al  
Chest 118:1619;2000

↑ LVSA

↓ LVSA

| Variables                              | Group 1     |              | Group 2     |              |
|----------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
|                                        | Baseline    | MAST         | Baseline    | MAST         |
| SAP, mm Hg                             | 122 ± 15    | 133 ± 14†    | 121 ± 25    | 127 ± 25†    |
| DAP, mm Hg                             | 59 ± 8      | 64 ± 6       | 65 ± 18     | 70 ± 16†     |
| HR, beats/min                          | 90 ± 18     | 90 ± 18      | 103 ± 20    | 102 ± 20     |
| LVEDA, cm <sup>2</sup> /m <sup>2</sup> | 14.4 ± 6.2  | 16.6 ± 7.8†  | 17.1 ± 6.2  | 17.8 ± 6.4   |
| LVESA, cm <sup>2</sup> /m <sup>2</sup> | 6.8 ± 6.3   | 7.6 ± 8      | 10.5 ± 6.3  | 12.3 ± 6.8†  |
| LVSA, cm <sup>2</sup> /m <sup>2</sup>  | 7.6 ± 1.7   | 9 ± 1.6†     | 6.6 ± 2.1   | 5.5 ± 2.1†   |
| LVFAC, %                               | 59.6 ± 31.2 | 62.9 ± 20.5  | 43.0 ± 17.9 | 35.2 ± 17.7† |
| LVσ, kdyn/cm <sup>2</sup> ‡            | 50.4 ± 31.2 | 59.8 ± 36.7† | 65.6 ± 33.4 | 79 ± 36.2†   |

\*Data are presented as mean ± SD. HR = heart rate; DAP = diastolic arterial pressure.

†p < 0.05 (Wilcoxon signed rank test).

‡Values for LVσ were not normalized for BSA.

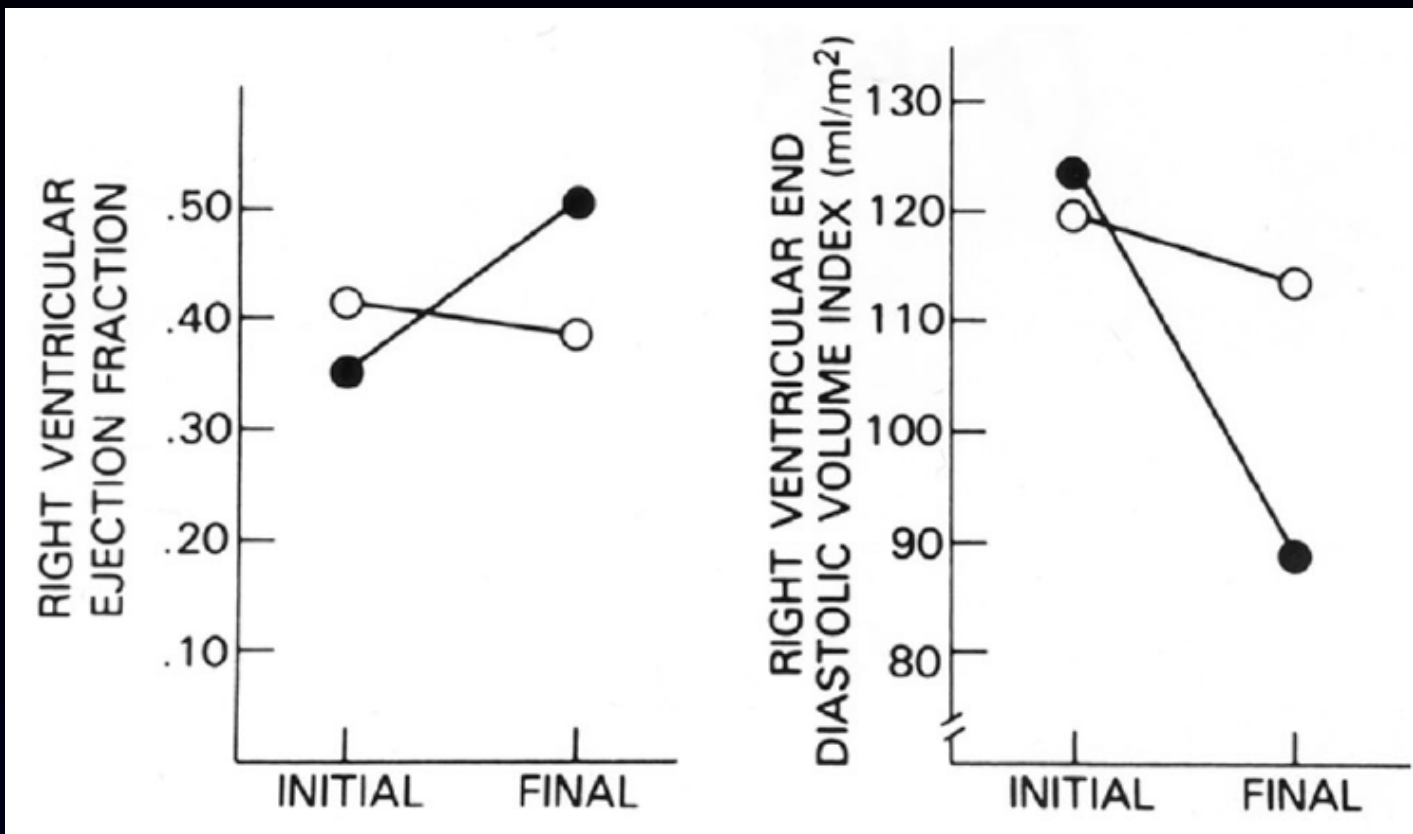
26 pts septic shock

## **How can cardiac output be preserved in the context of impaired contractility?**

- **Increased heart rate => yes!**
- **Decreased afterload => yes**
- **Preload adaptation => probably but limited**

**Myocardial dysfunction in sepsis:**

**Right ventricular dysfunction ?**



## **Myocardial dysfunction in sepsis:**

- **Alteration in systolic function**
- **Alteration in diastolic function**
- **Related with severity of disease and outcome**
- **Potentially reversible**

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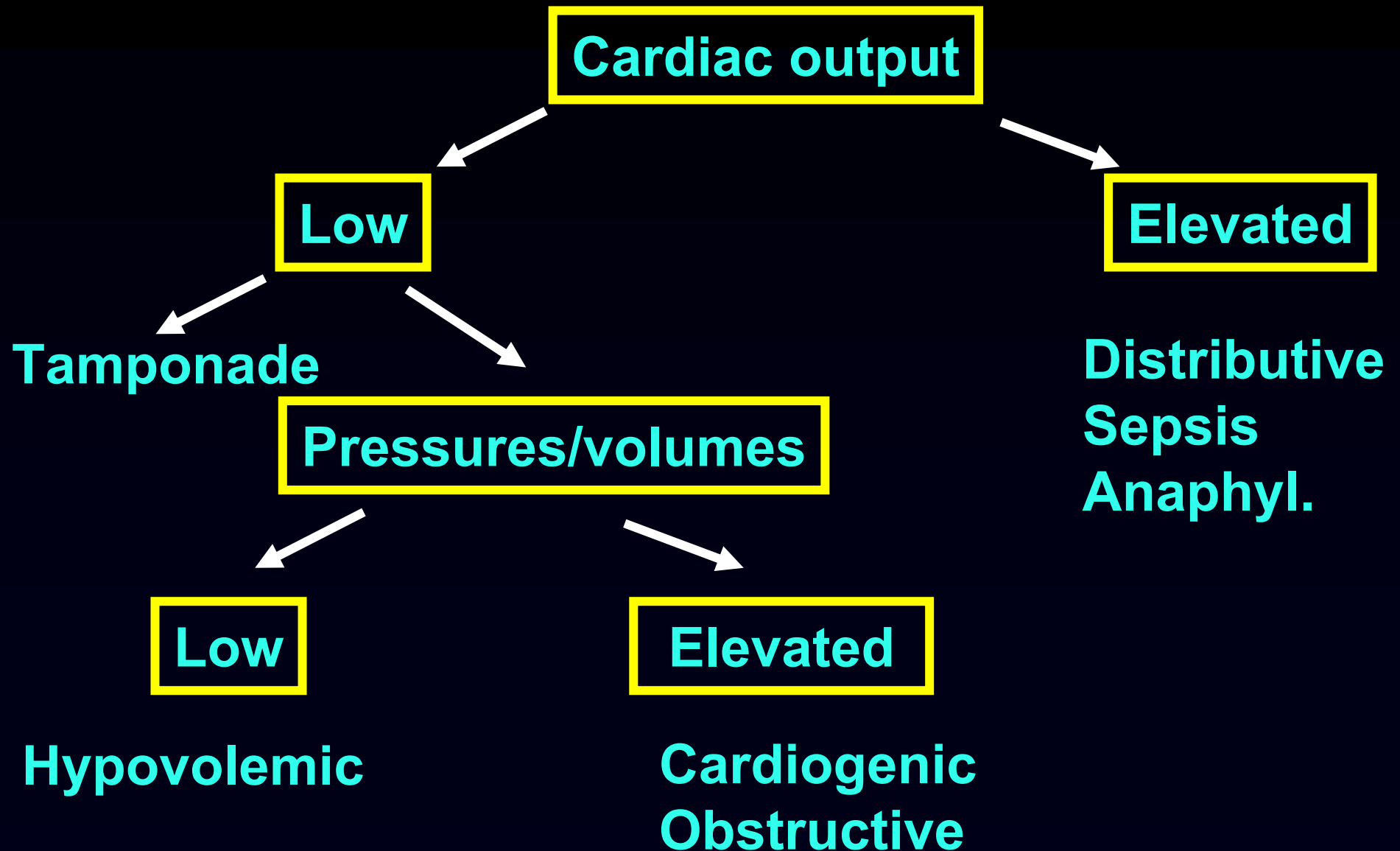
## **Purpose of echocardiographic evaluation:**

- **Identify the type of shock**
- **Hemodynamic evaluation**
- **Endocarditis**

# **ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY IN SEPTIC SHOCK**

**How to diagnose septic shock with echo ?**

# DIAGNOSTIC APPROACH



# **ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY IN SEPTIC SHOCK**

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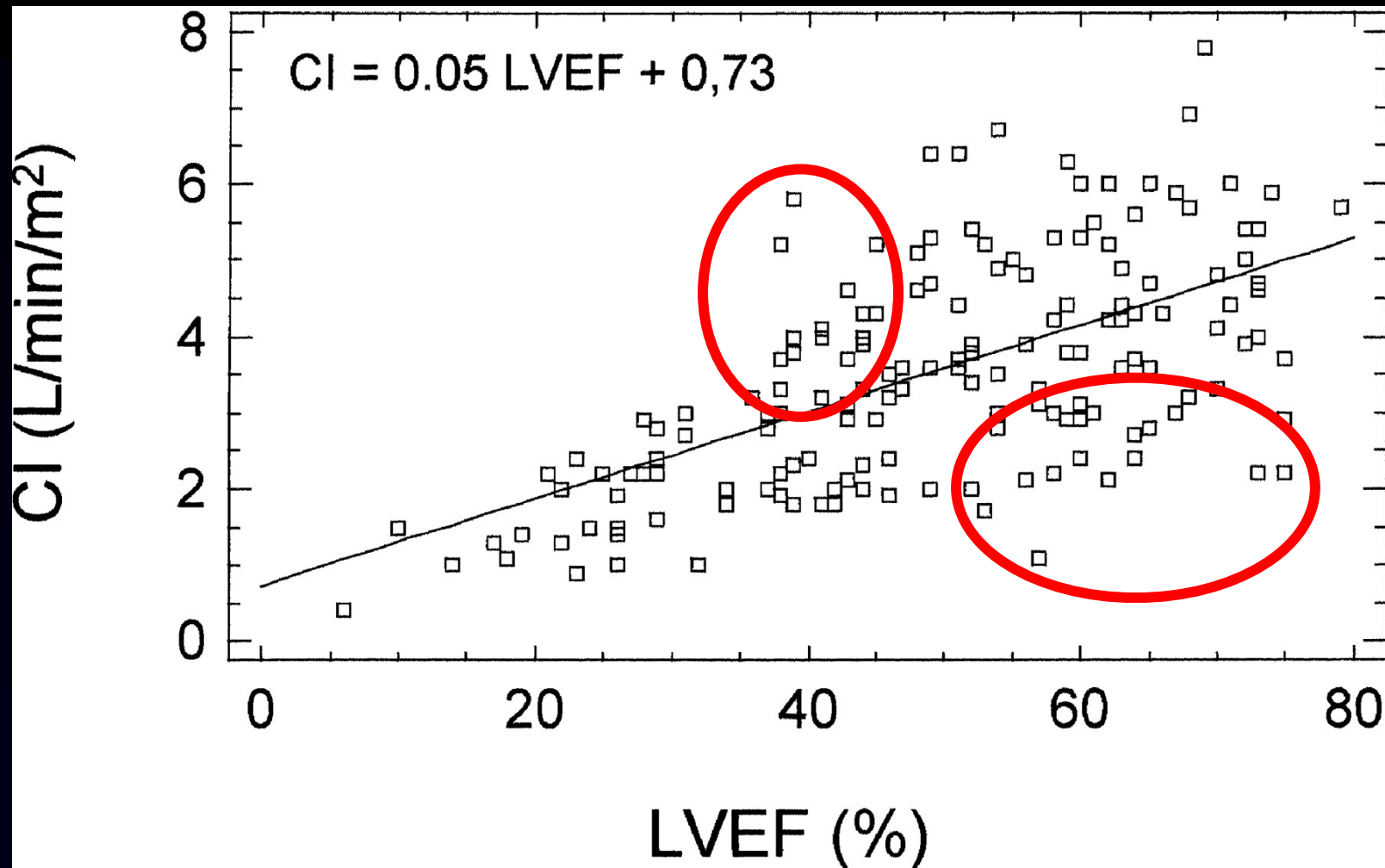
# **ECHOCARDIOGRAPHY IN SEPTIC SHOCK**

**How to diagnose septic shock with echo ?**

**Difficult !**

**Identification of a hyperdynamic state is suggestive of sepsis, but hypodynamic state may also occur (1/3 patients) and no definite diagnosis can be made in these cases.**

# **HEMODYNAMIC MONITORING OF THE PATIENT IN SEPTIC SHOCK**



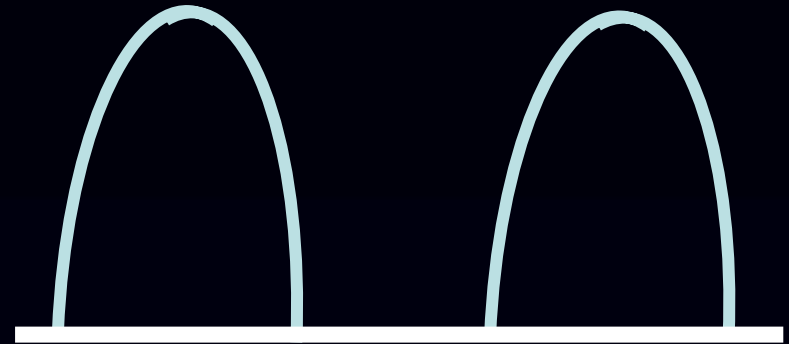
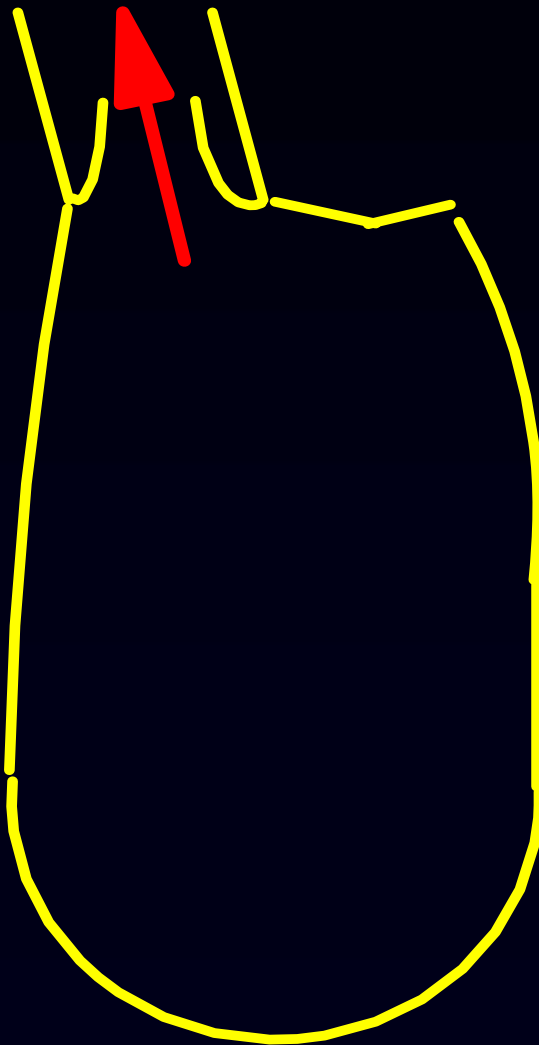
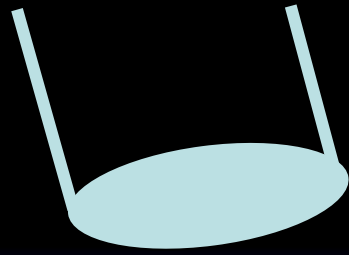
⇒ CO can be preserved even when EF is markedly altered  
⇒ CO can be altered even when EF is normal (hypovolemia)

## **Hemodynamic monitoring in septic shock**

- **Measurement of cardiac output**
- **Measurements of determinants of CO**
- **Measurements of cardiac function ?**

# **CARDIAC OUTPUT**

**Key determinant of tissue oxygenation**  
**( $DO_2 \sim CO \times Hb \times SaO_2$ )**



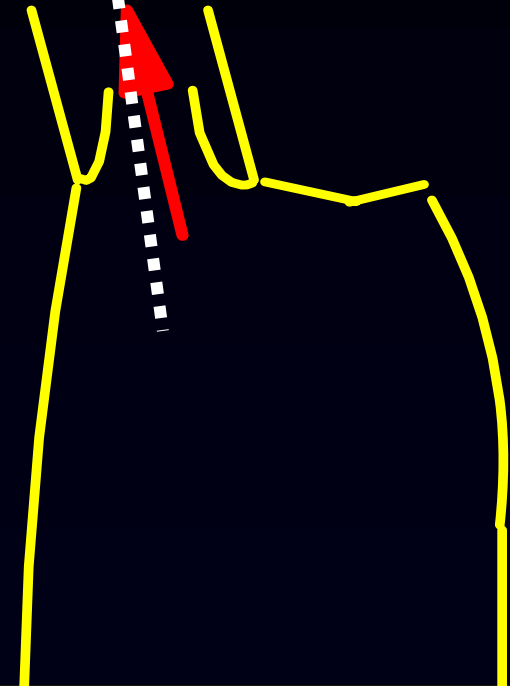
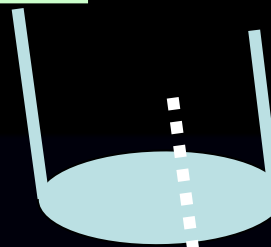
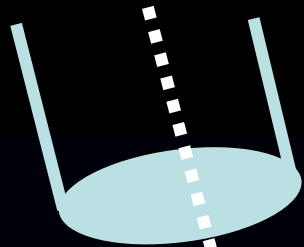
$$SV = VTI \times LVOT_{area}$$

## **Potential problems:**

- **Angle of the beam**

$$\text{Flow}_{\text{(mes)}} = \text{Flow} \times \cos \text{angle}$$

$$30^\circ \Rightarrow \cos 30 = 0.87$$
$$\Rightarrow 13\% \text{ error}$$



**Caution when interpreting changes induced by therapy (or respiratory variations)**

## **Potential problems:**

- **Angle of the beam**
- **Measurement of LVOT**

## Measurement of LVOT

⇒ LVOT area:  $\pi D^2/4$

A small error is elevated to the square !

| VTI | HR  | LVOT | $\pi D^2/4$ | CO   |
|-----|-----|------|-------------|------|
| 17  | 100 | 1.7  | 2.27        | 3.86 |
| 17  | 100 | 1.8  | 2.54        | 4.33 |
| 17  | 100 | 1.9  | 2.84        | 4.82 |
| 17  | 100 | 2.0  | 3.14        | 5.34 |
| 17  | 100 | 2.1  | 3.46        | 5.89 |

## Measurement of LVOT

⇒ LVOT area:  $\pi D^2/4$

A small error is elevated to the square

⇒ Always use same value or just VTI ?

Heart rate can also vary !  
⇒ Changes in ejected volume  
may differ from changes in CO

## **Potential problems:**

- **Angle of the beam**
- **Measurement of LVOT => always use same value or**
- **Difficult to repeat (time consuming)**

**A value of CO alone is of limited value**

## Cardiac output measurements:

**3.0 L/min.M<sup>2</sup>**

Quiet, MV, 36.5°C, Hb 10

**3.5 L/min.M<sup>2</sup>**

Quiet, extubated, 36.5°C, Hb 10

**4.0 L/min.M<sup>2</sup>**

Quiet, MV, 39.5°C, Hb 10

**4.5 L/min.M<sup>2</sup>**

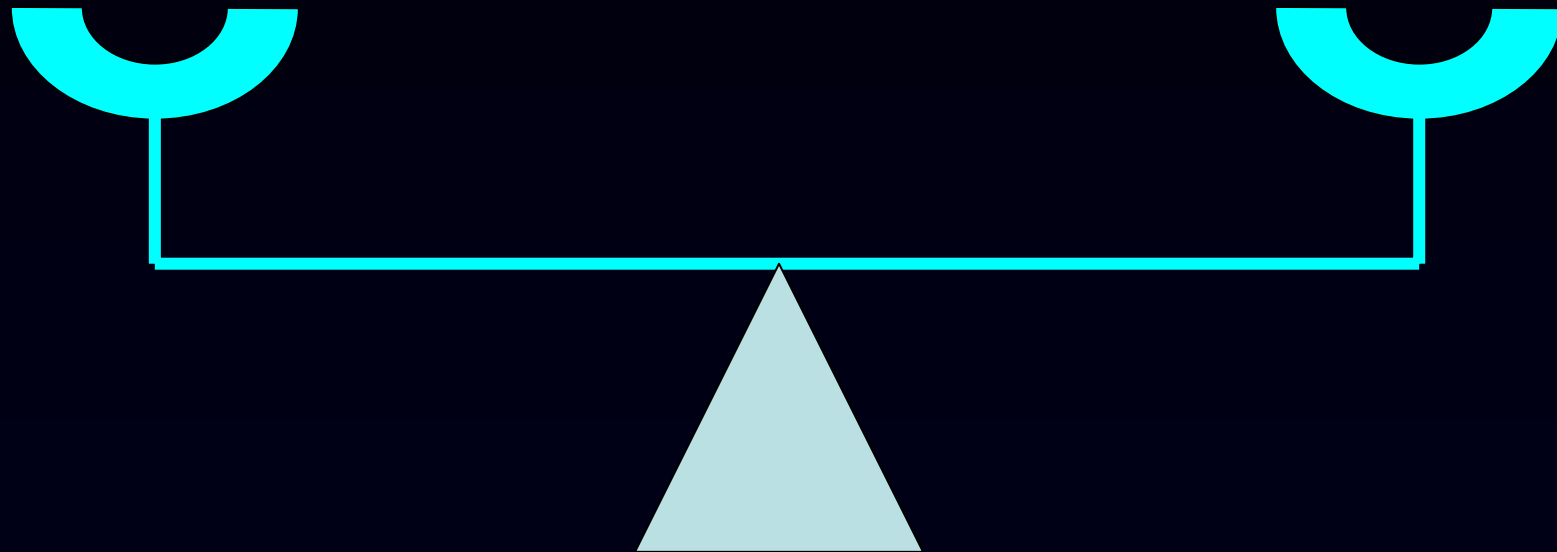
Dyspneic, MV, 38.5°C, Hb 9

**Is cardiac output adequate ?**

**O2 DEMAND**

**Cardiac output**   **Hb**   **SaO2**

**O2 DELIVERY**



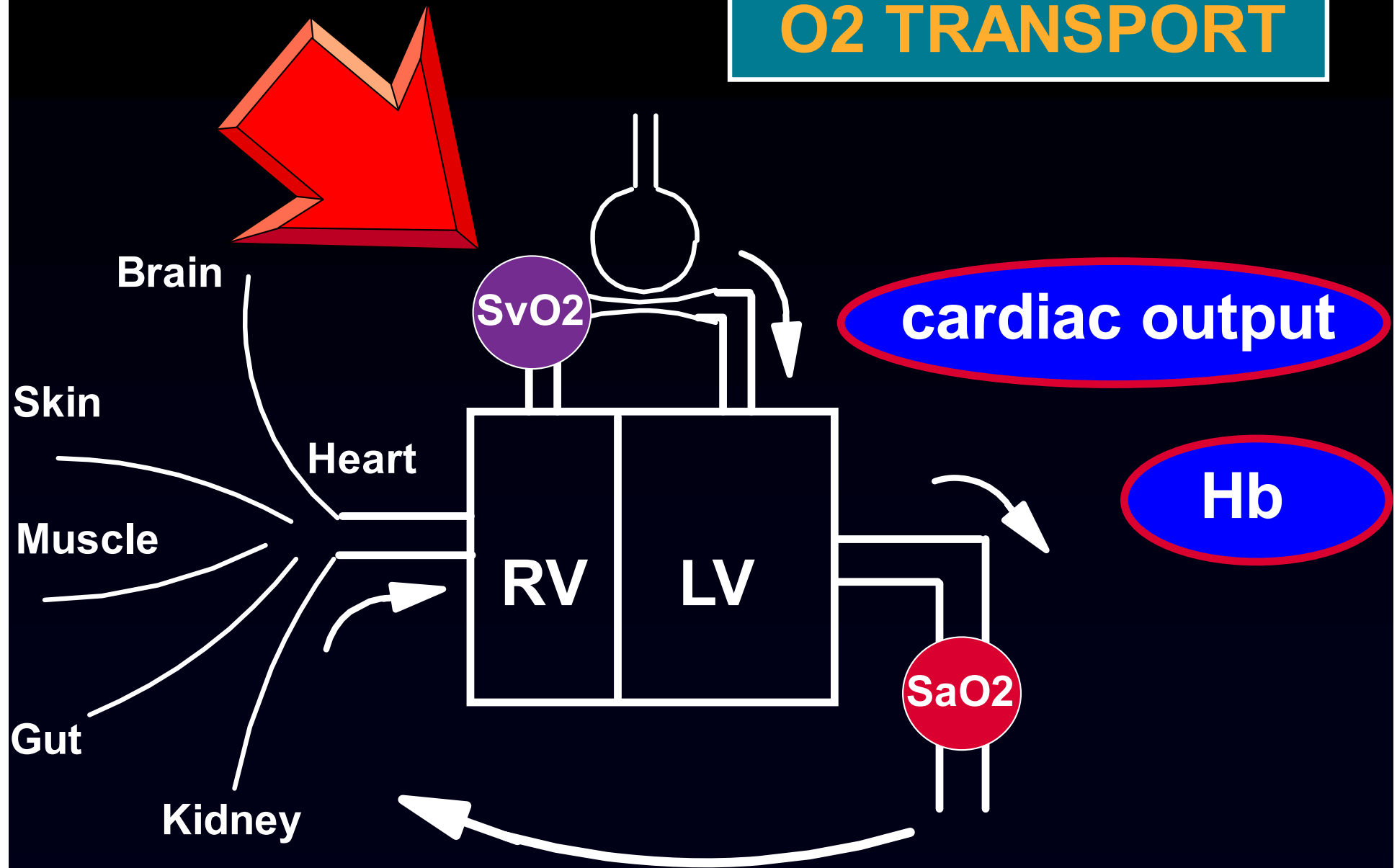
**SvO2**

## Cardiac output measurements:

|                                |                                 |                            |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>3.0 L/min.M<sup>2</sup></b> | Quiet, MV, 36.5°C, Hb 10        | <b>SvO<sub>2</sub> 70%</b> |
| <b>3.5 L/min.M<sup>2</sup></b> | Quiet, extubated, 36.5°C, Hb 10 | <b>SvO<sub>2</sub> 70%</b> |
| <b>4.0 L/min.M<sup>2</sup></b> | Quiet, MV, 39.5°C, Hb 10        | <b>SvO<sub>2</sub> 60%</b> |
| <b>4.5 L/min.M<sup>2</sup></b> | Dyspneic, MV, 38.5°C, Hb 9      | <b>SvO<sub>2</sub> 35%</b> |

**Is cardiac output adequate ?**

# O<sub>2</sub> TRANSPORT

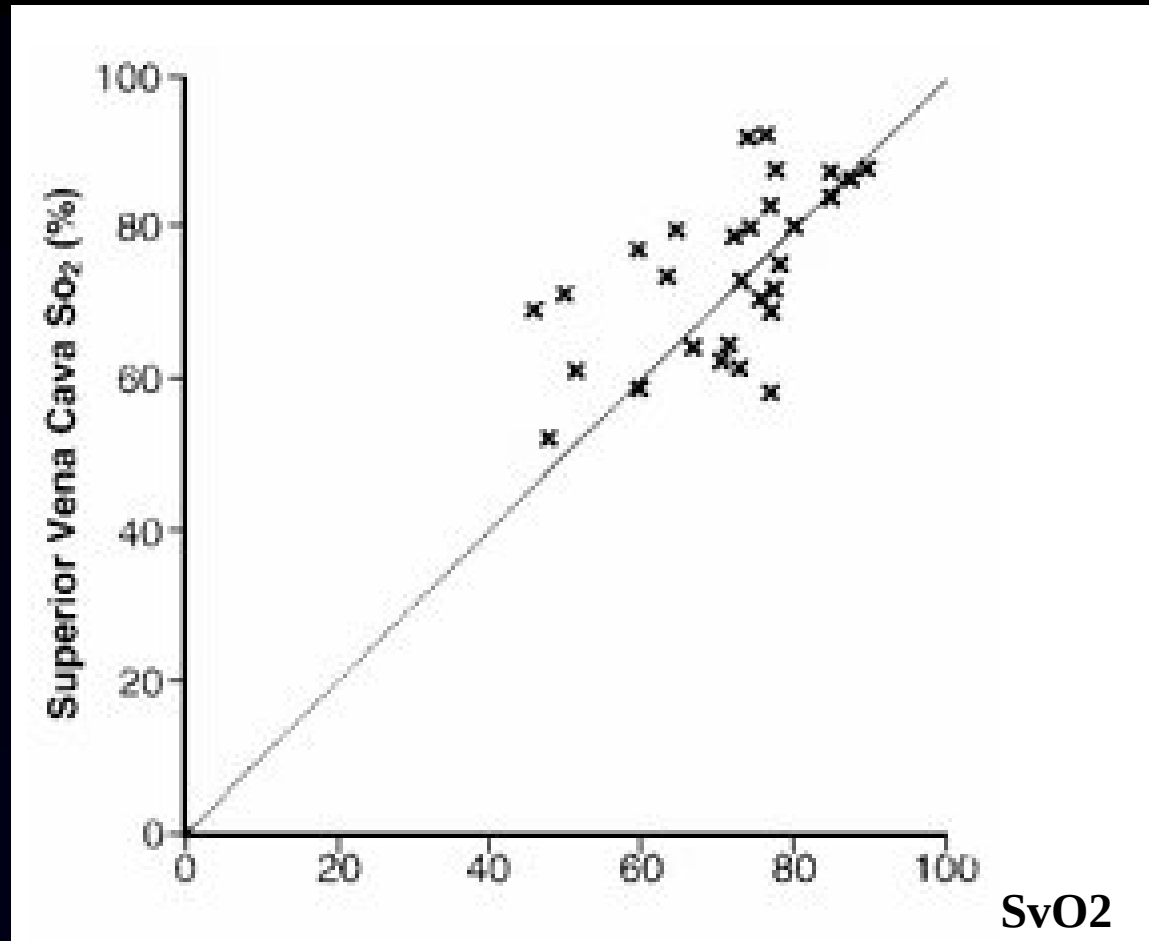


**SvO<sub>2</sub> cannot be measured without a  
pulmonary artery catheter.**

**=> Can SvcO<sub>2</sub> be a surrogate ?**

# SvO<sub>2</sub> and SvcO<sub>2</sub> are related but not identical

Edwards et al  
CCM 26:1356;1998



30 pts with circulatory shock

# SvcO2 surrogate of SvO2 ?

Edwards et al  
CCM 26:1356;1998

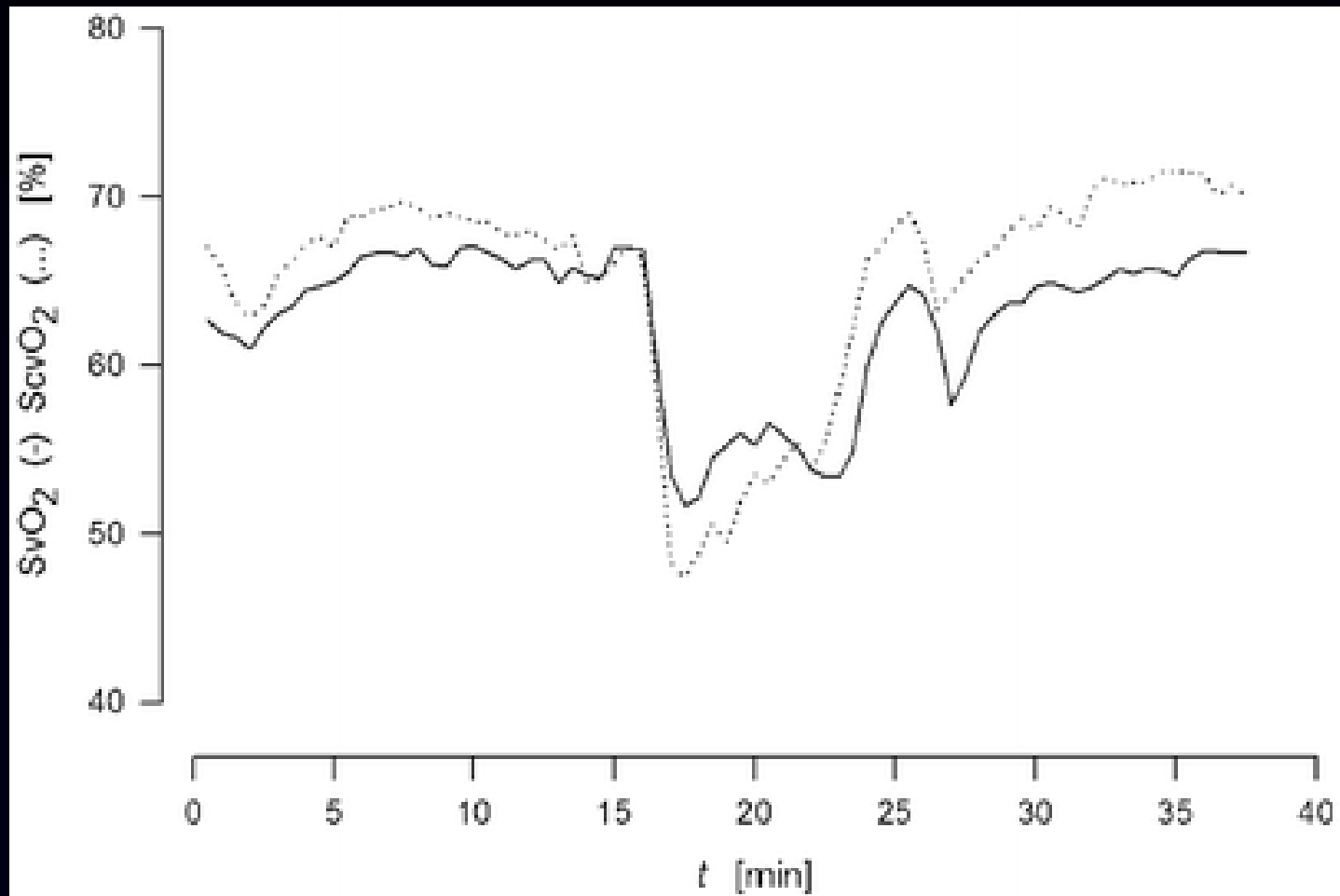
|          | Oxygen Saturation (% Difference) |             |             |
|----------|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|          | Mean $\pm$ SD                    | Range       | 95% CI      |
| Ssvc-Spa | 2.9 $\pm$ 10.4                   | -19.3-+23.1 | -18.4-+24.2 |
| Sra-Spa  | -0.7 $\pm$ 8.8                   | -19.7-+16.7 | -18.6-+17.3 |
| Ssvc-Sra | 3.6 $\pm$ 8.8                    | -14.3-+32.5 | -14.4-+21.6 |

CI, confidence interval; Ssvc, superior vena caval oxyhemoglobin saturation; Spa, pulmonary artery oxyhemoglobin saturation; Sra, right atrial oxyhemoglobin saturation.

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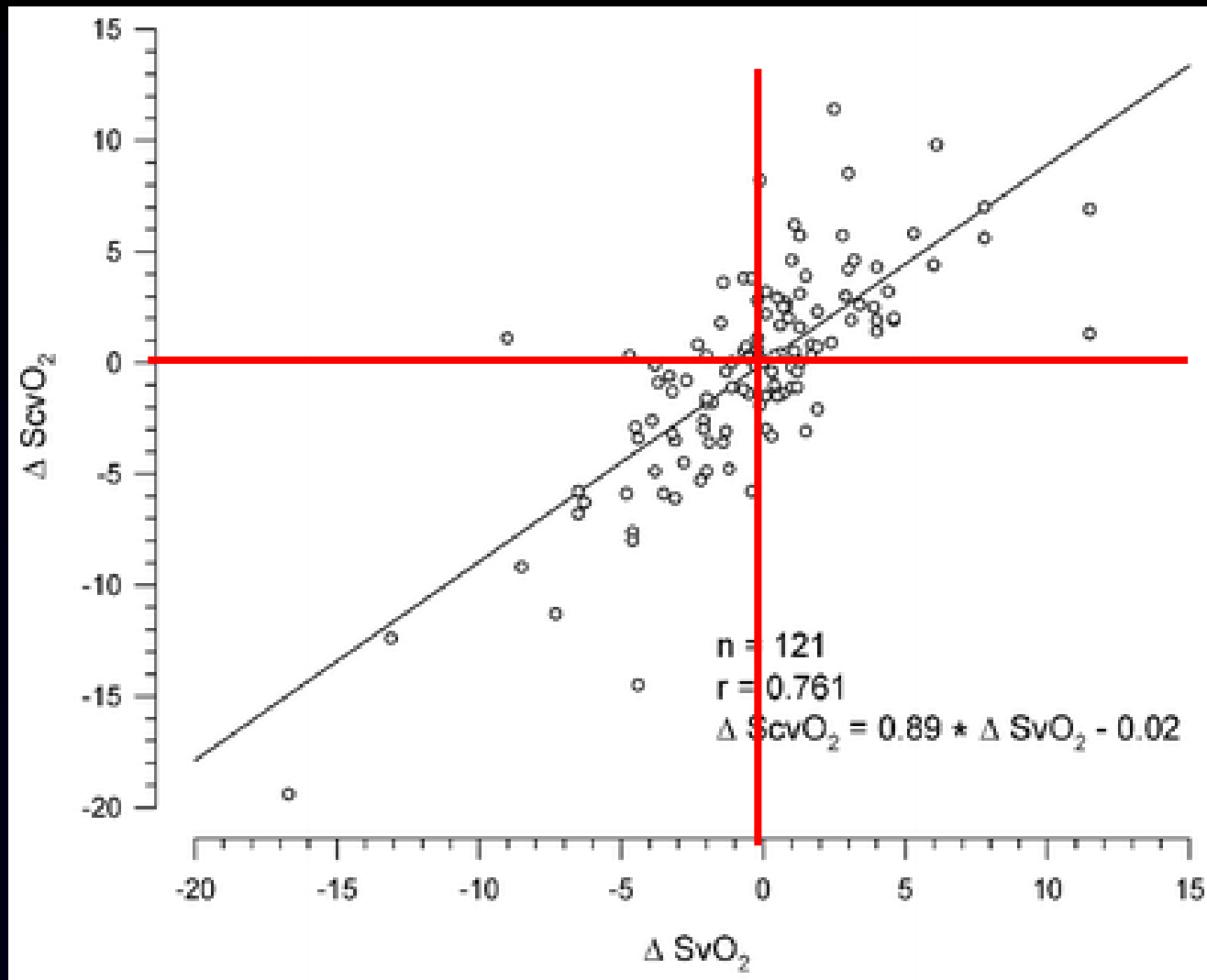
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Reinhart et al  
ICM 30:1572;2004



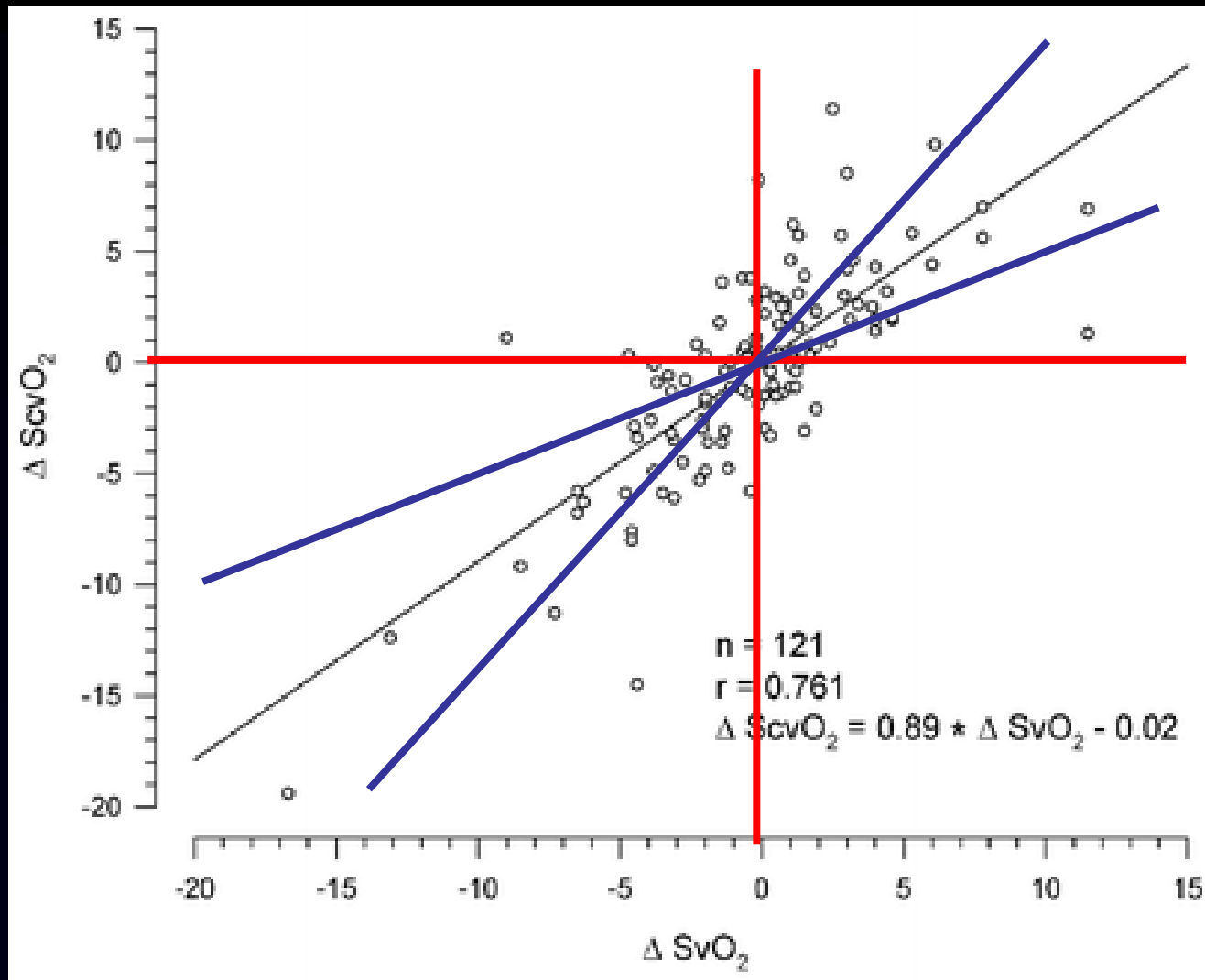
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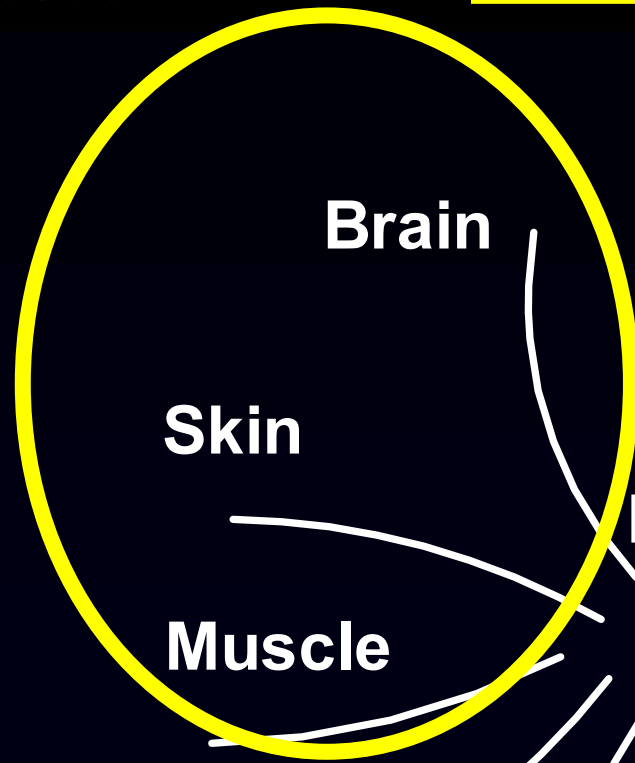
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50% over- or under- estimation of SvO<sub>2</sub> changes

SvcO<sub>2</sub>

normal value  
around 70 %

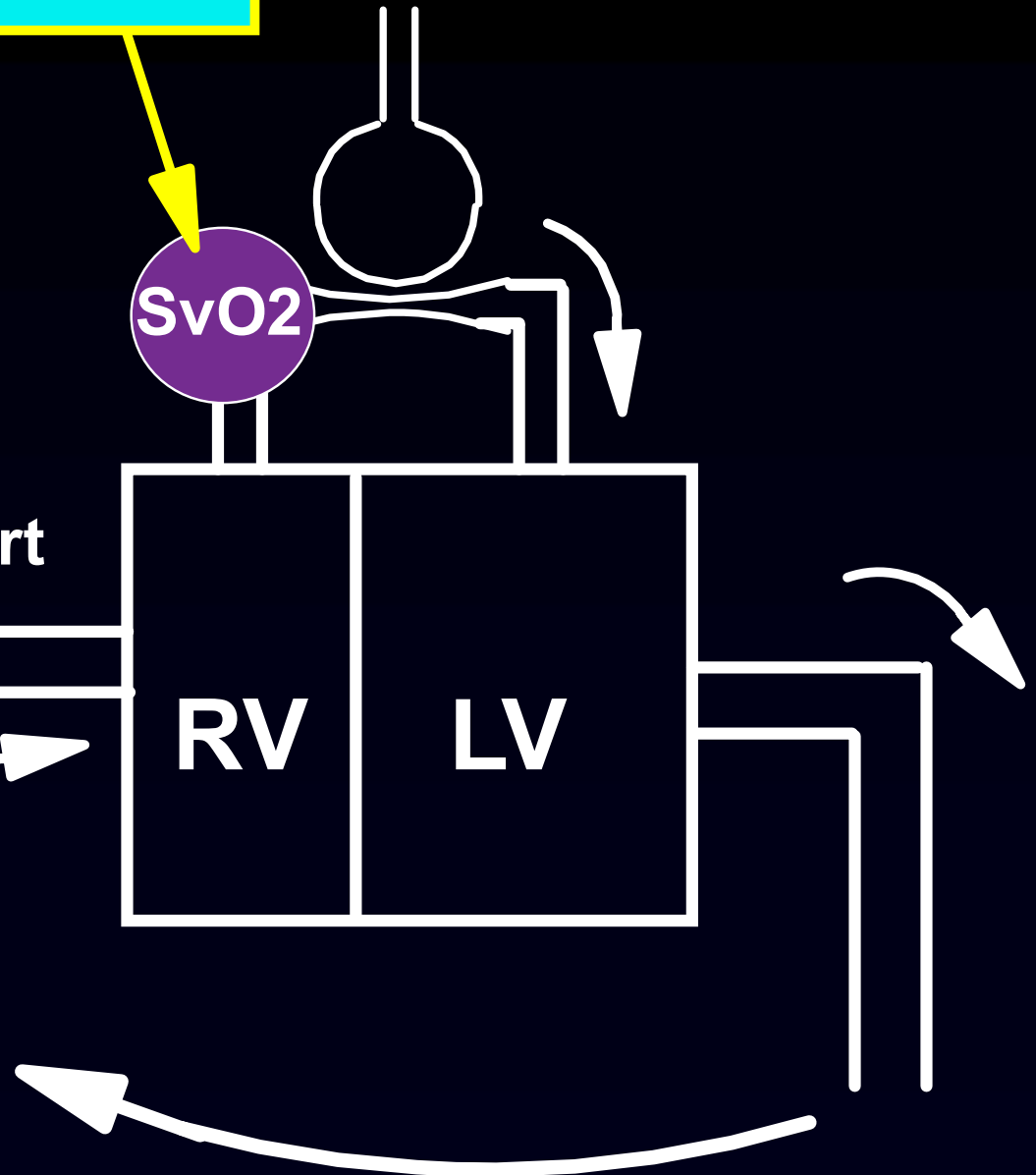


Heart



Gut /  
Liver

Kidney



# **HEMODYNAMIC MONITORING OF THE PATIENT IN SEPTIC SHOCK**

- **A low EF (in isolation) should not be treated**
- **A value of CO alone is of limited value**
- **CO measurements should always be combined with ScvO<sub>2</sub> measurements**

**If CO is inadequate, what can I do for my patient ?**

## **DETERMINANTS OF CARDIAC OUTPUT**

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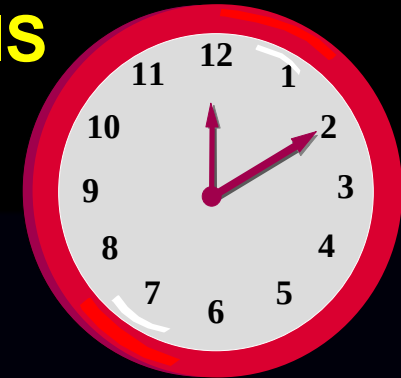
- Ejected volume
  - Preload
  - Afterload
  - Contractility
- Heart rate

# **DETERMINATION OF CARDIAC FUNCTION**

# HEMODYNAMIC OPTIMIZATION

# HEMODYNAMIC RESUSCITATION IN SEPSIS

## THE SEPTIC CLOCK



### The golden hour(s)

After the initial phase of resuscitation, no data support the use of any monitoring strategy or resuscitation goal !

It seems reasonable to provide *some* hemodynamic support in order to prevent further tissue hypoperfusion, but hemodynamic optimization is not useful at this stage.

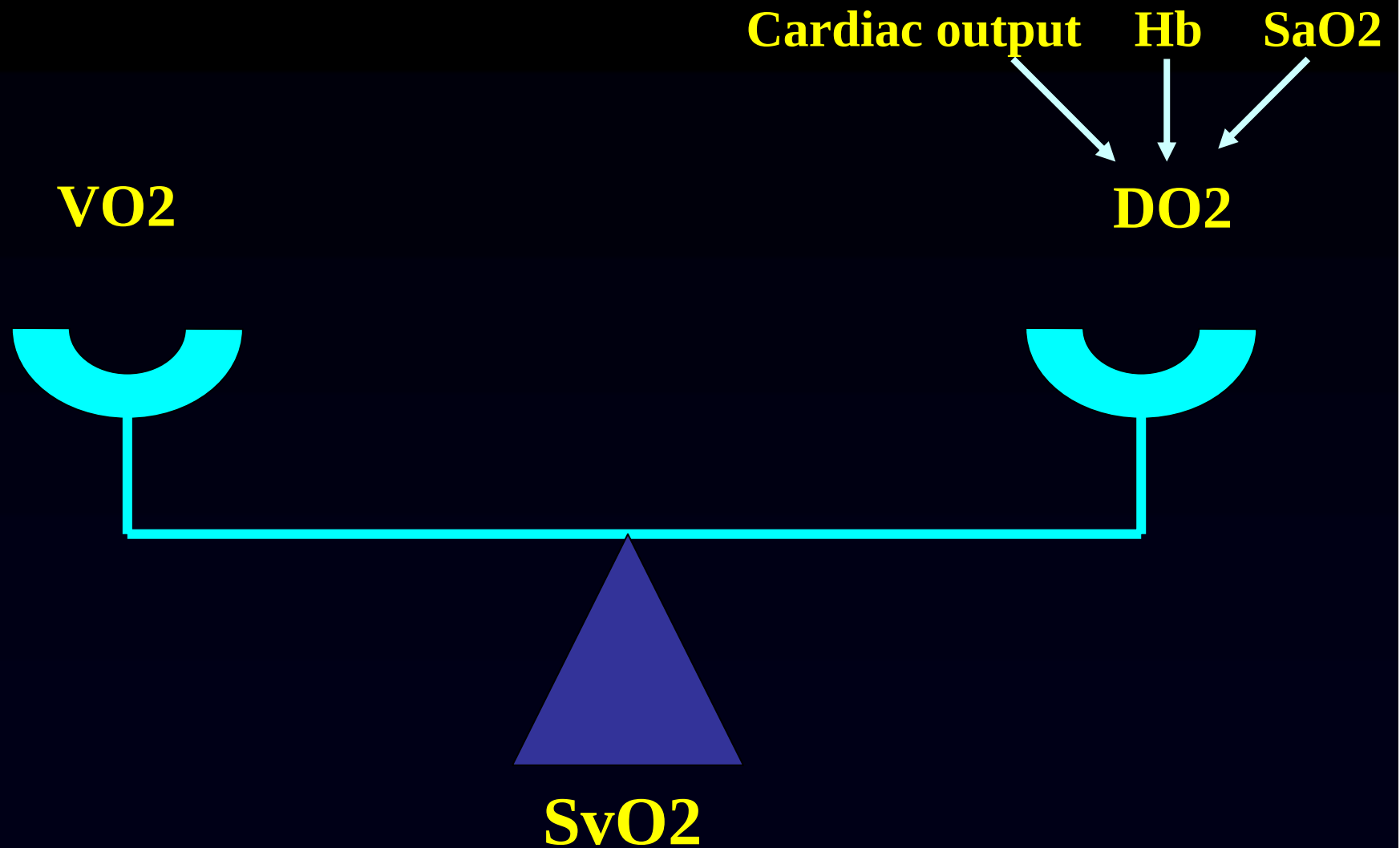
# HEMODYNAMIC RESUSCITATION IN SEPSIS

**Q1: Is cardiac output adequate ?**

**SvO<sub>2</sub>**

**Lactate**

# Should cardiac output be manipulated ?



# HEMODYNAMIC RESUSCITATION IN SEPSIS

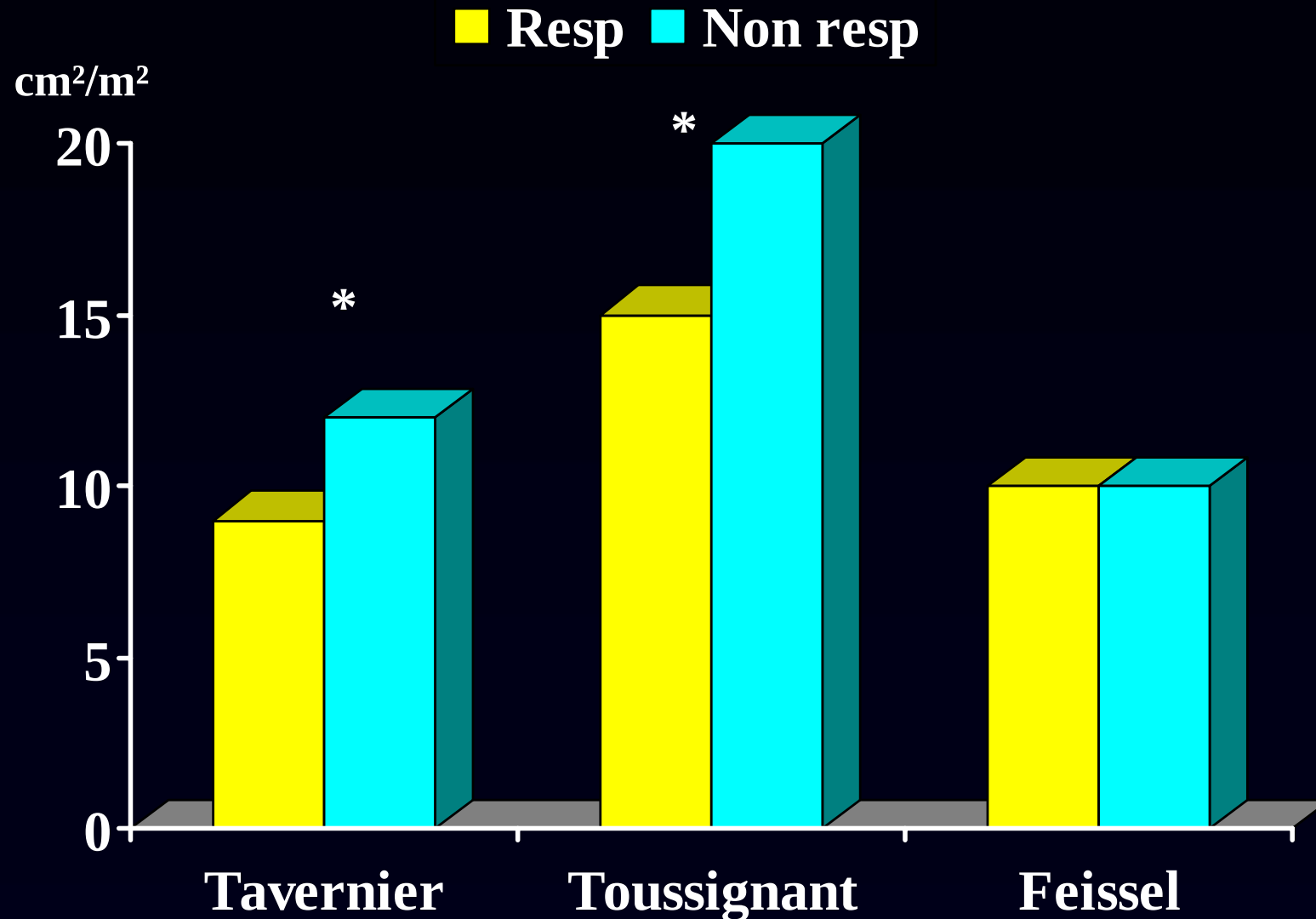
**Q1: Is cardiac output adequate ?**

**Q2: How to manipulate CO?**

**Assess fluid responsiveness**  
**Assess contractility**

# Left ventricular end diastolic area

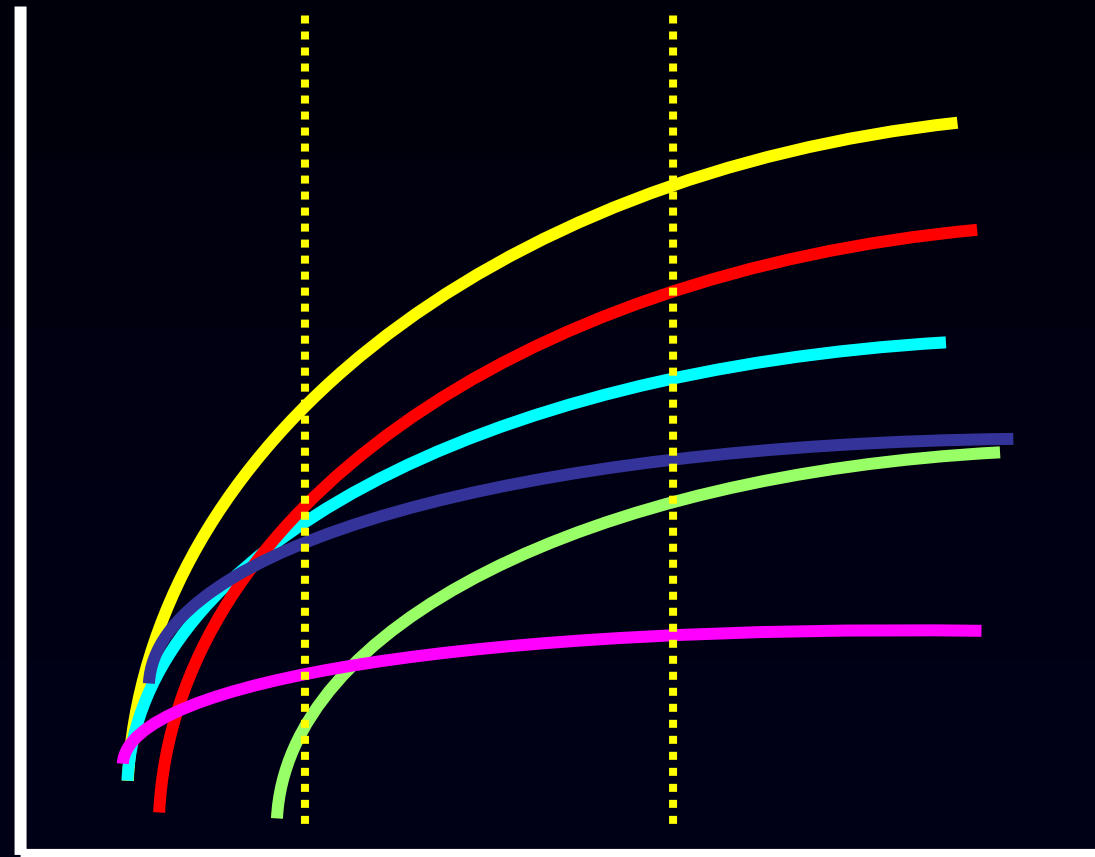
Michard et al  
Chest 121:2000;2002



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# STARLING RELATIONSHIP

Stroke  
volume



Preload

**All indices of preload poorly predict fluid responsiveness !**

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# STROKE VOLUME VARIATIONS

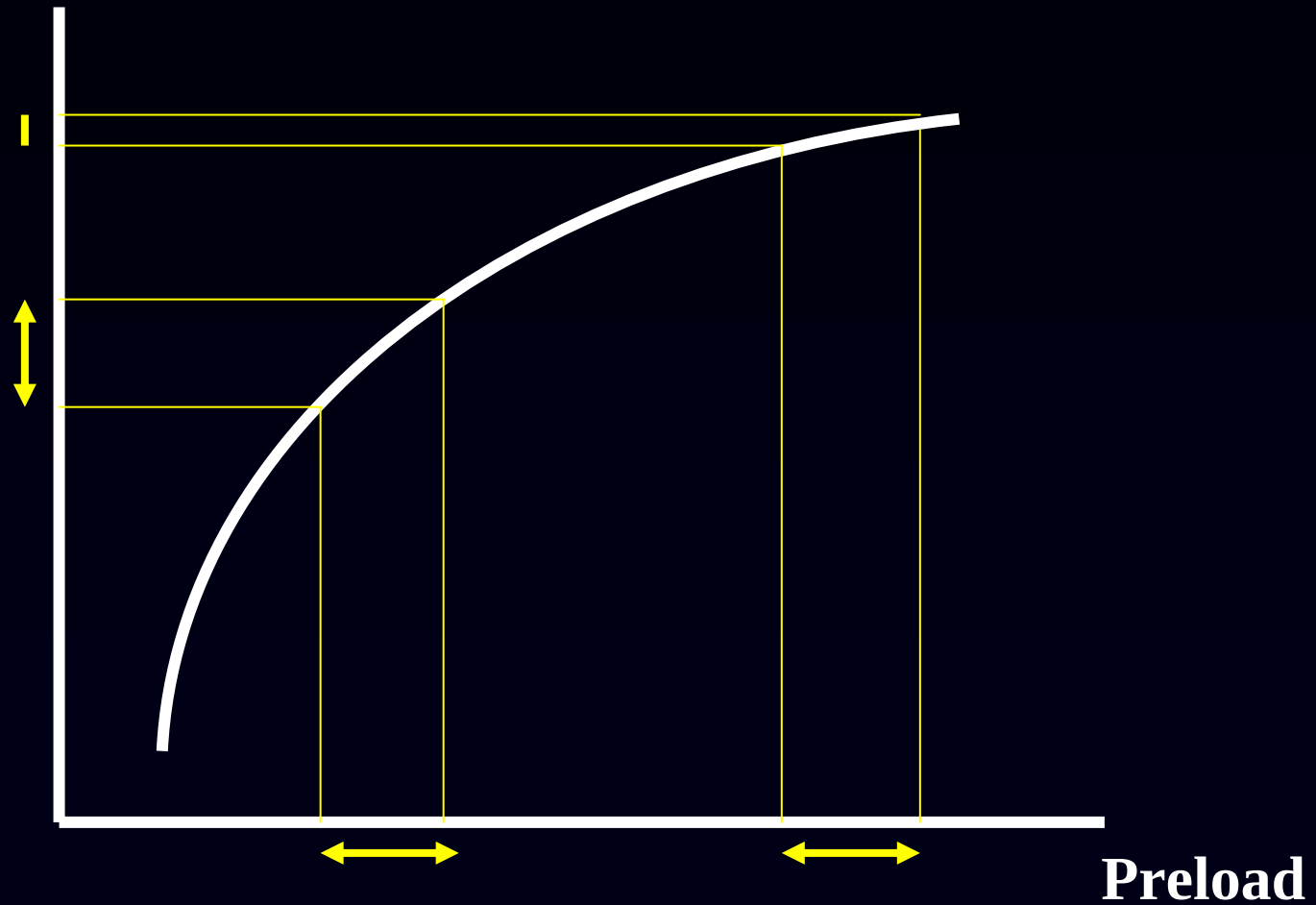
## Principle

- Ventilation induces changes in preload
- Respiratory variation of stroke volume will reflect preload-dependency (or fluid responsiveness)



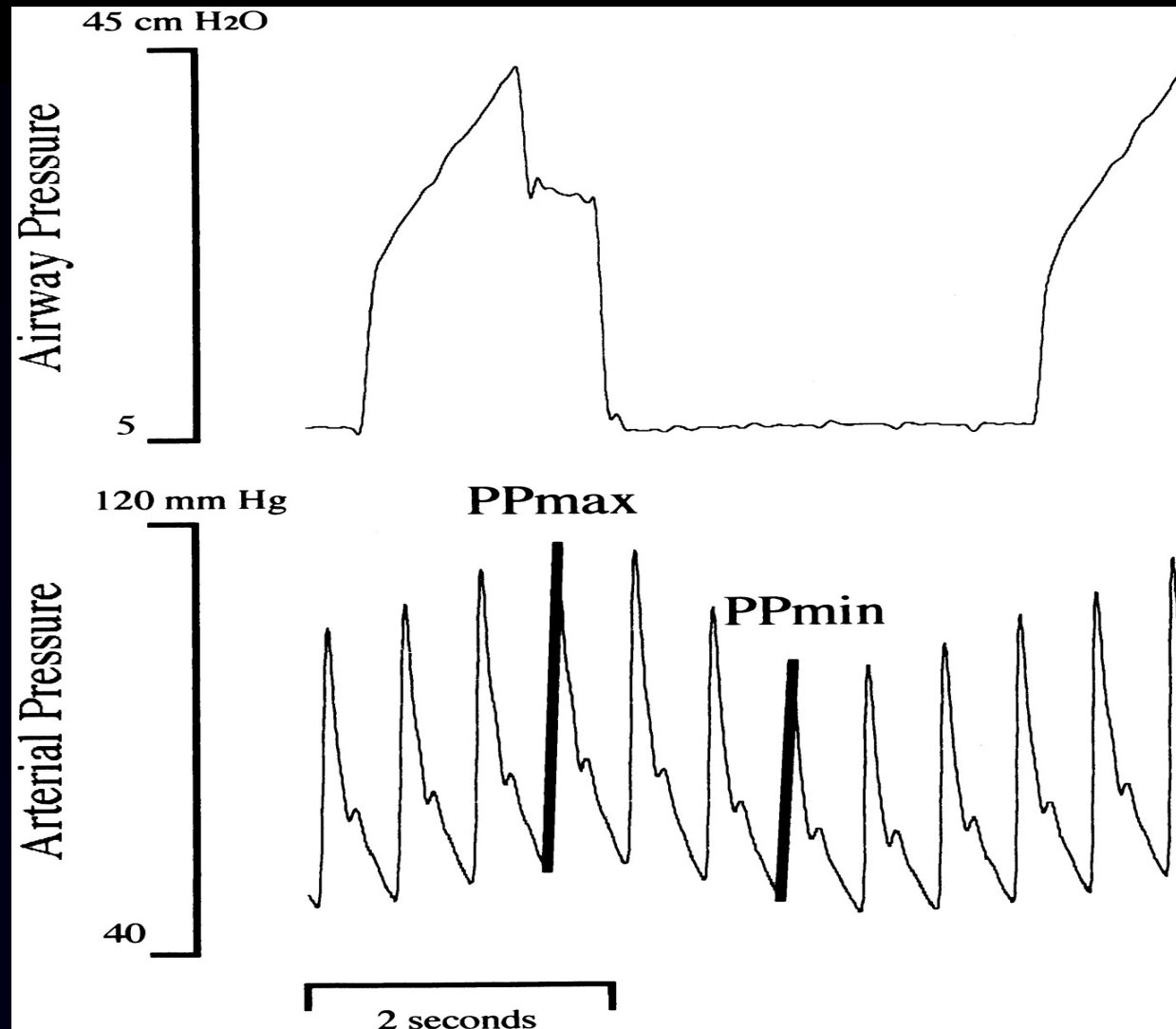
# STROKE VOLUME VARIATIONS

Stroke  
volume

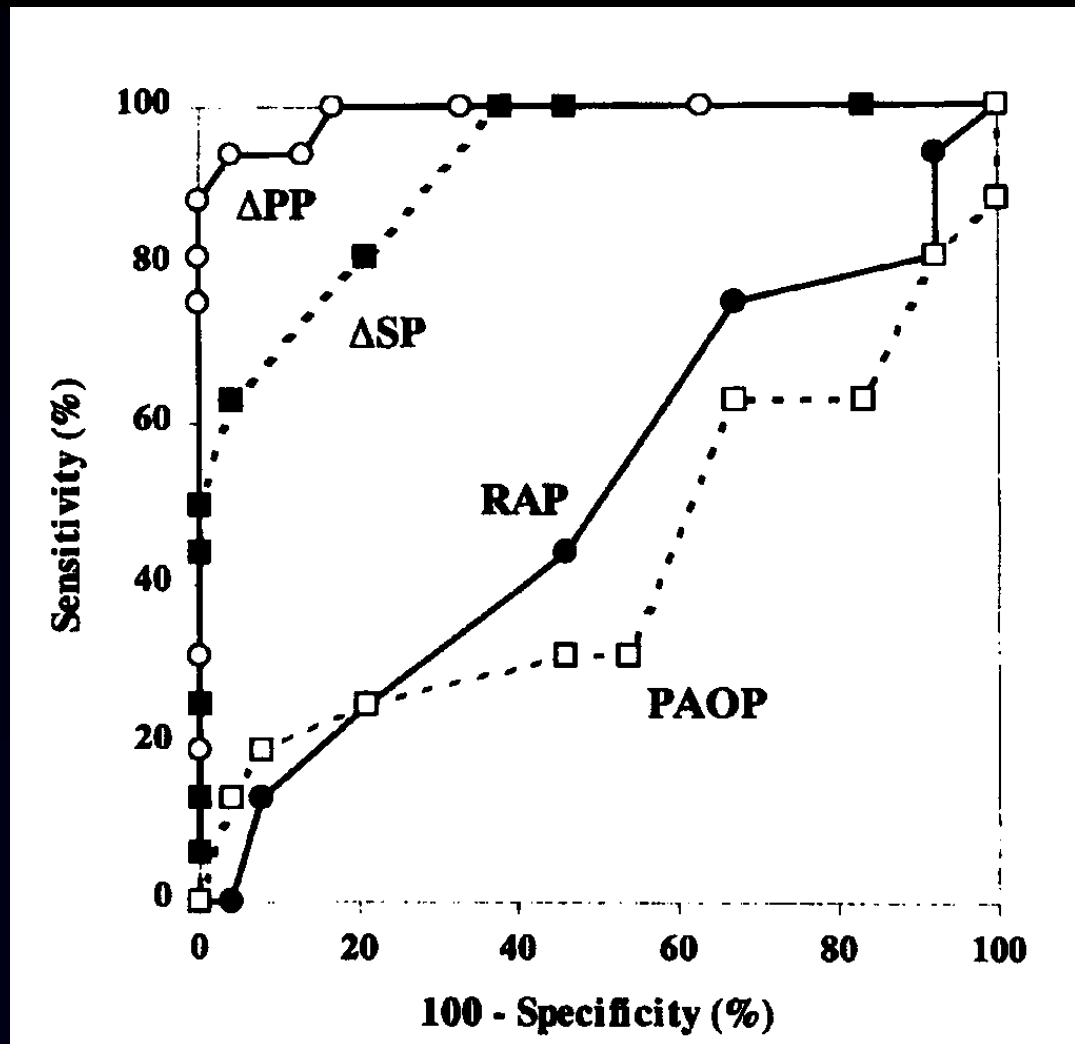


# Pulse pressure respiratory variations

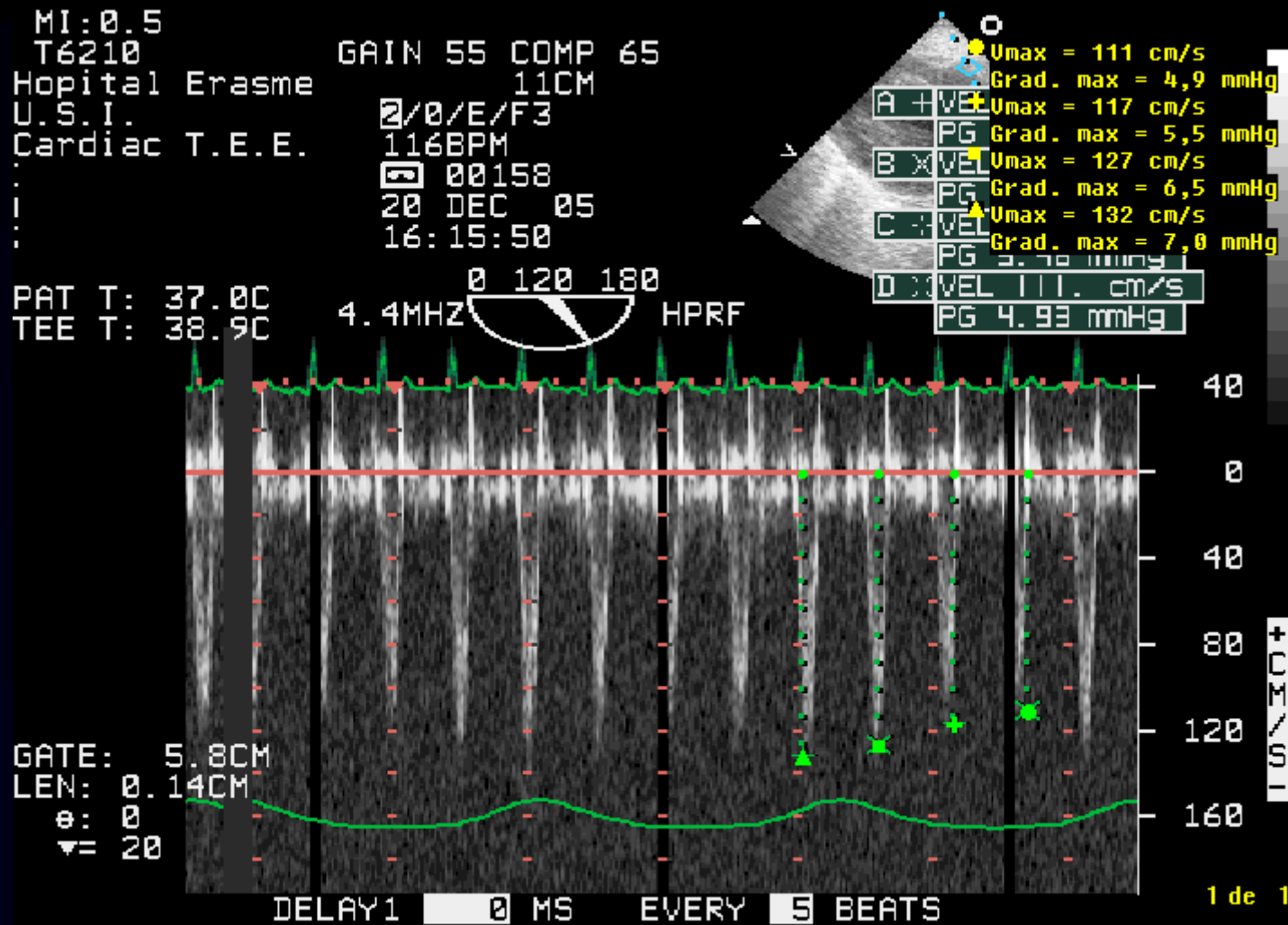
Michard et al  
AJRCCM 162:134;2000



$$\text{DeltaPP} = (\text{PPmax} - \text{PPmin}) / ((\text{PPmax} + \text{PPmin}) / 2)$$

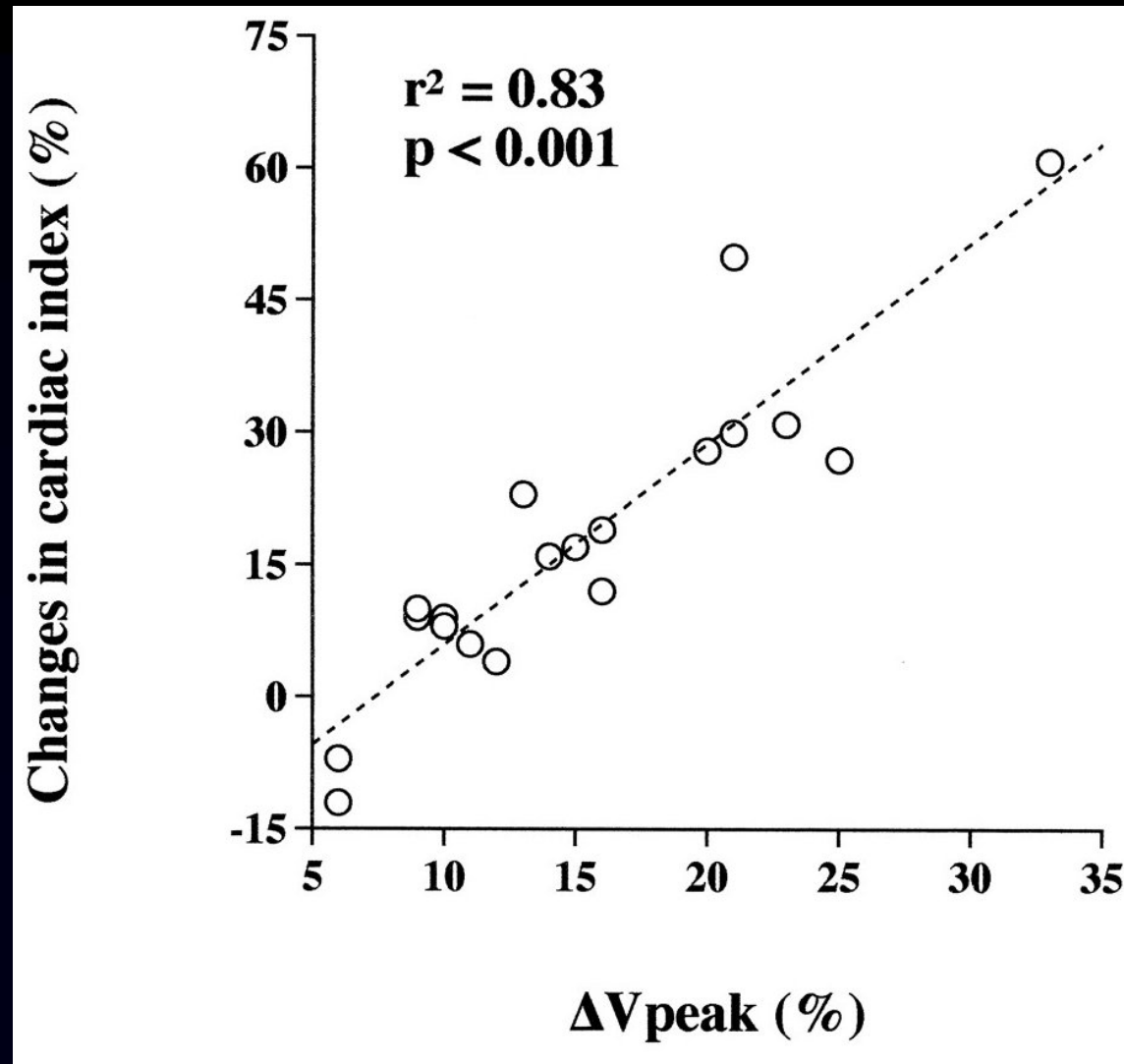


# Aortic flow respiratory variations



**SEPSIS**

Feissel et al  
Chest 119:867;2001



**ECHO**

**N= 19**

**DDB**

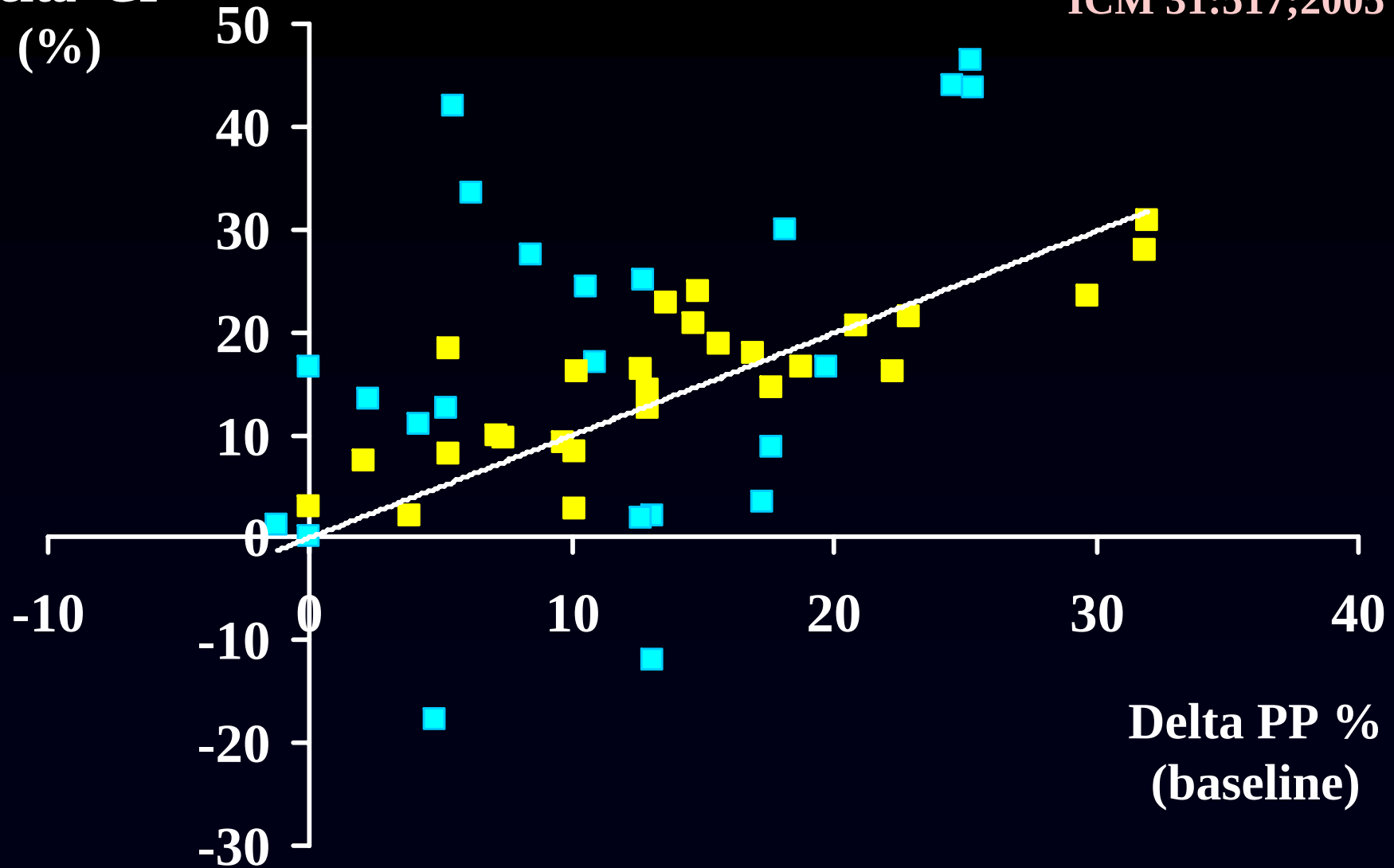
## **Limitations:**

- Arrhythmia**
- Low tidal volume**
- Respiratory movements**
- Cor pulmonale**

# INFLUENCE OF TIDAL VOLUME

De Backer et al  
ICM 31:517;2005

Delta CI  
(%)

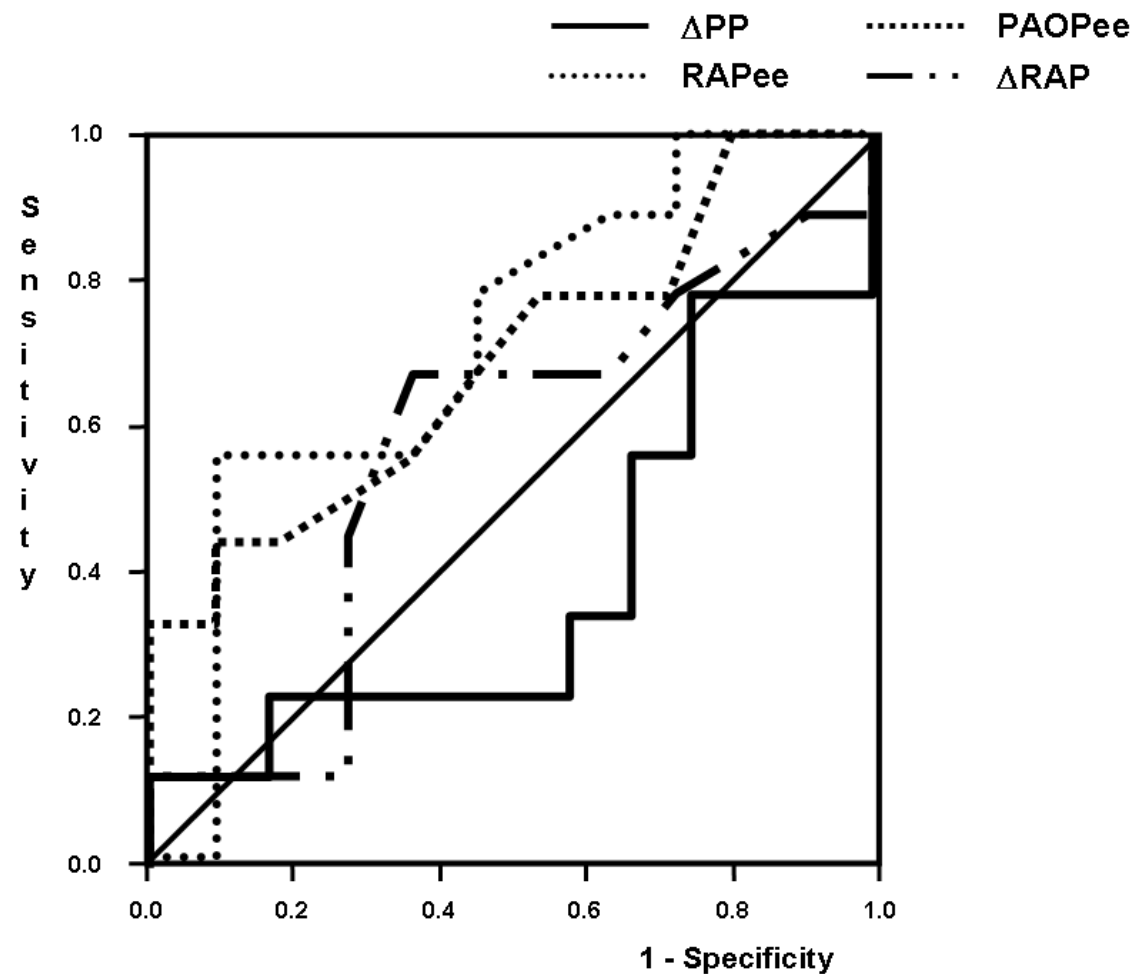


TV > 8ml/kg TV ≤ 8ml/kg

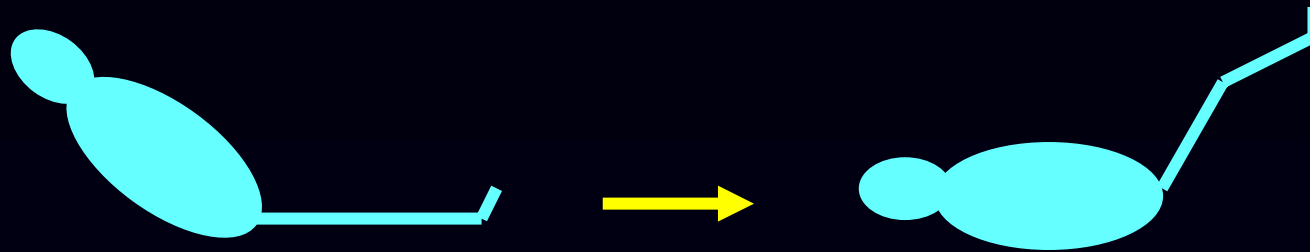
# Prediction of fluid responsiveness in patients with respiratory movements

Heenen et al  
Crit Care 2006

ROC Curve



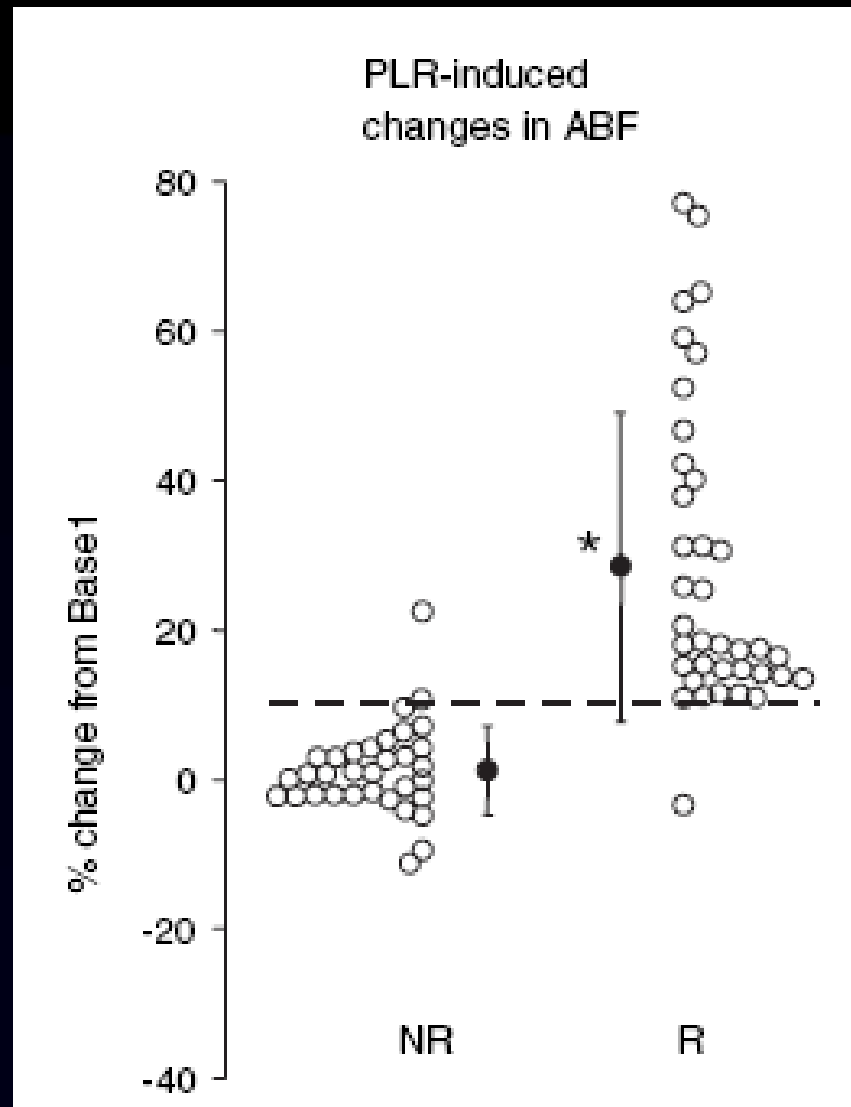
# The passive leg raising test



**Autotransfusion of ~300 mL of blood**

**Measurement of cardiac output with fast response device (beat by beat) within 1 min of PLR (transient effect)**

# The passive leg raising test



Monnet et al  
CCM 34:402;2006

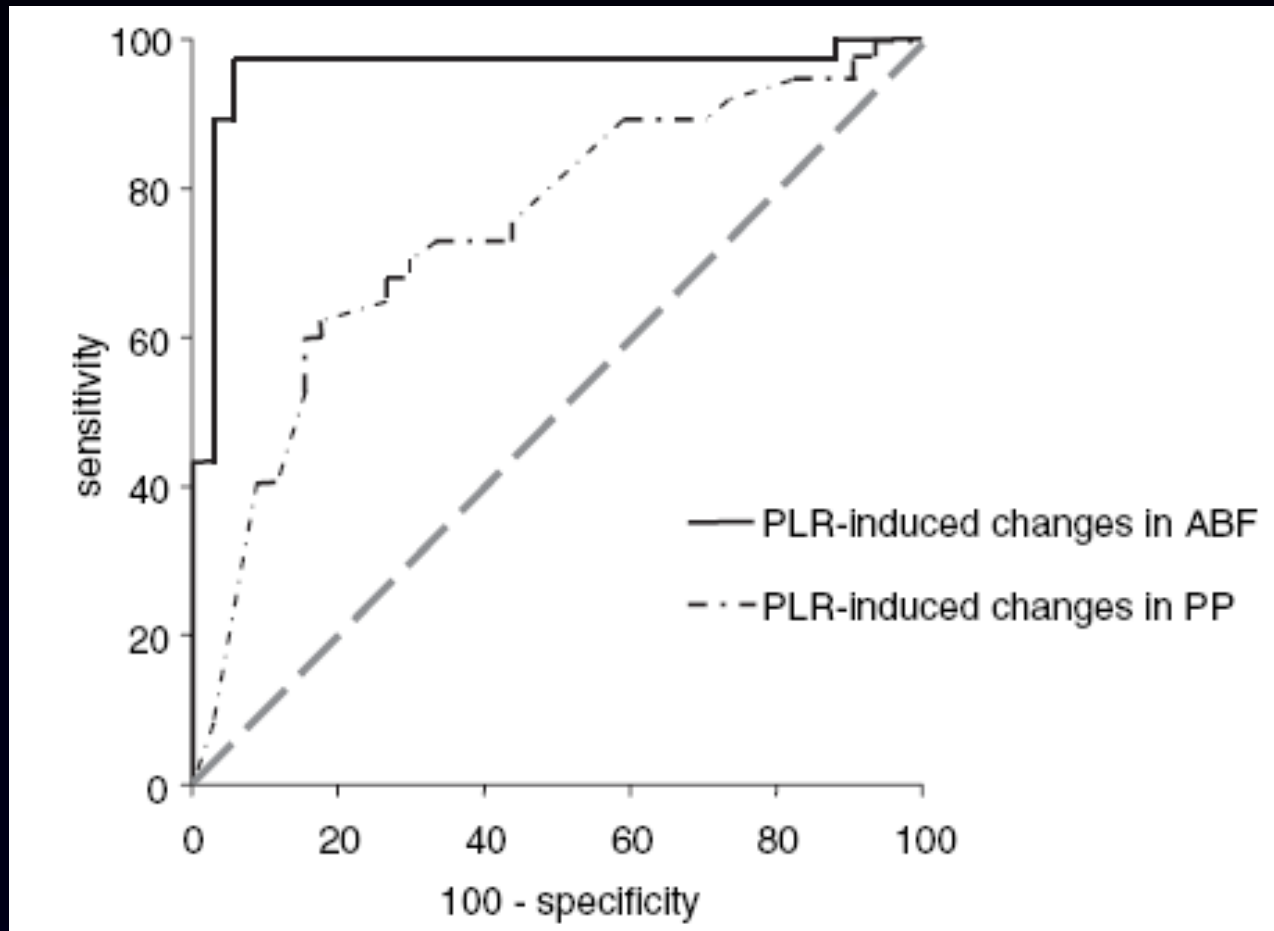
71 patients, 31 with respiratory movements

Fluids 500 mL cryst

# The passive leg raising test

Measurement of CO should be preferred to indirect evaluation by PP

Monnet et al  
CCM 34:402;2006



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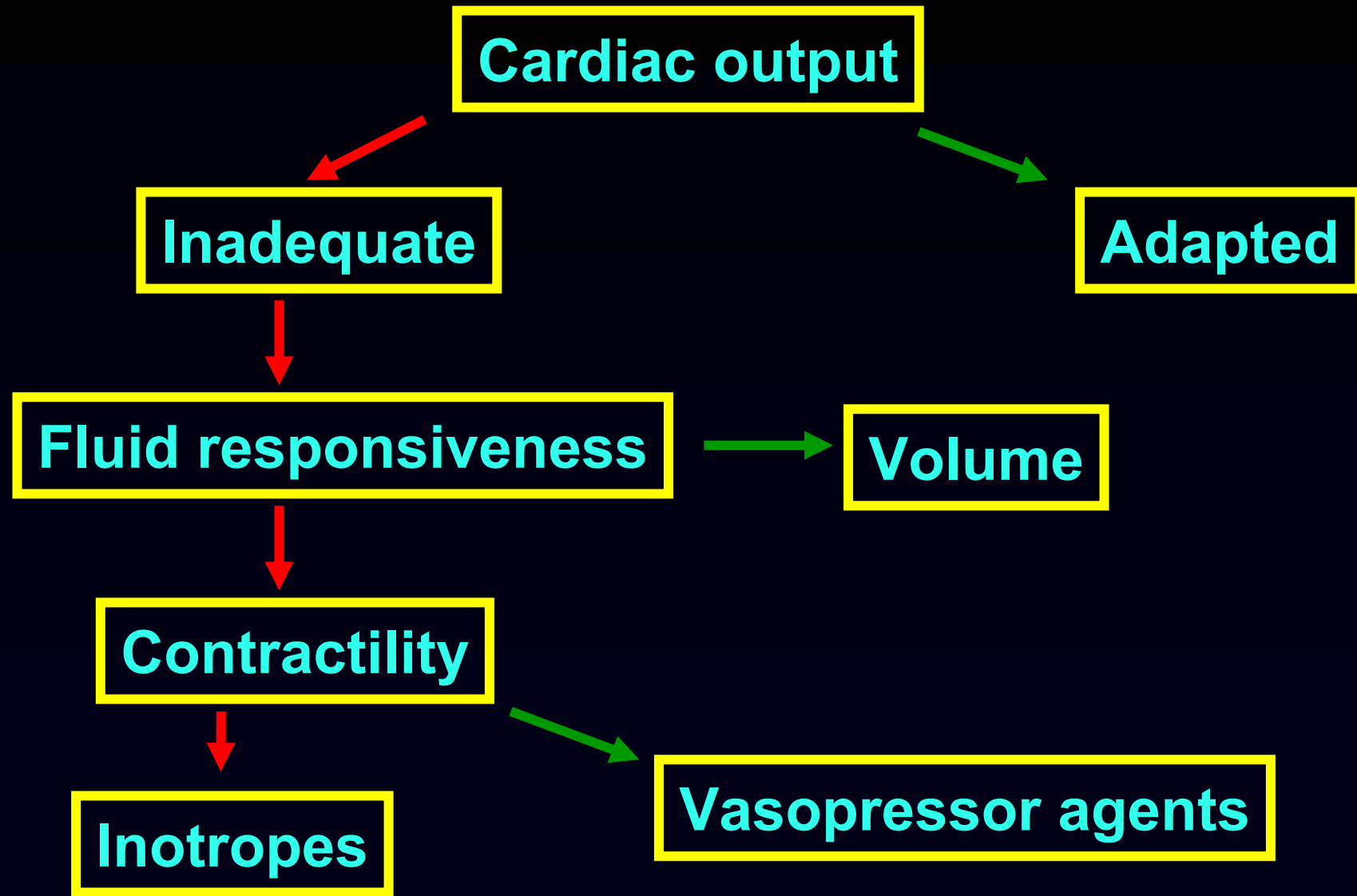
# Inotropic support

Morelli et al  
ICM 31:638;2005

|                            | Levosimendan |              | Dobutamine |           |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|-----------|
|                            | Baseline     | 24 h         | Baseline   | 24 h      |
| EDVI (ml m <sup>-1</sup> ) | 75.8±23.8    | 66.2±24.6*** | 84.2±25.1  | 82.9±26.4 |
| ESVI (ml m <sup>-1</sup> ) | 46.7±21.9    | 36.9±19.4*** | 52.4±25.8  | 50.5±25.3 |
| LVEF (%)                   | 37.1±3.0     | 45.4±8.4*    | 37.3±2.6   | 40.8±11.3 |

\* $p < 0.05$  baseline vs. 24 h, \*\* $p < 0.05$  levosimendan vs. dobutamine after 24 h

# Therapeutic approach



**Echocardiography in sepsis:**  
**Excellent for hemodynamic evaluation, but less  
convenient for monitoring**

**Hemodynamic evaluation should be  
retracted to simple indices !**

Antoine Vieillard-Baron  
Cyril Charron  
Karim Chergui  
Olivier Peyrouset  
François Jardin

## Bedside echocardiographic evaluation of hemodynamics in sepsis: is a qualitative evaluation sufficient?

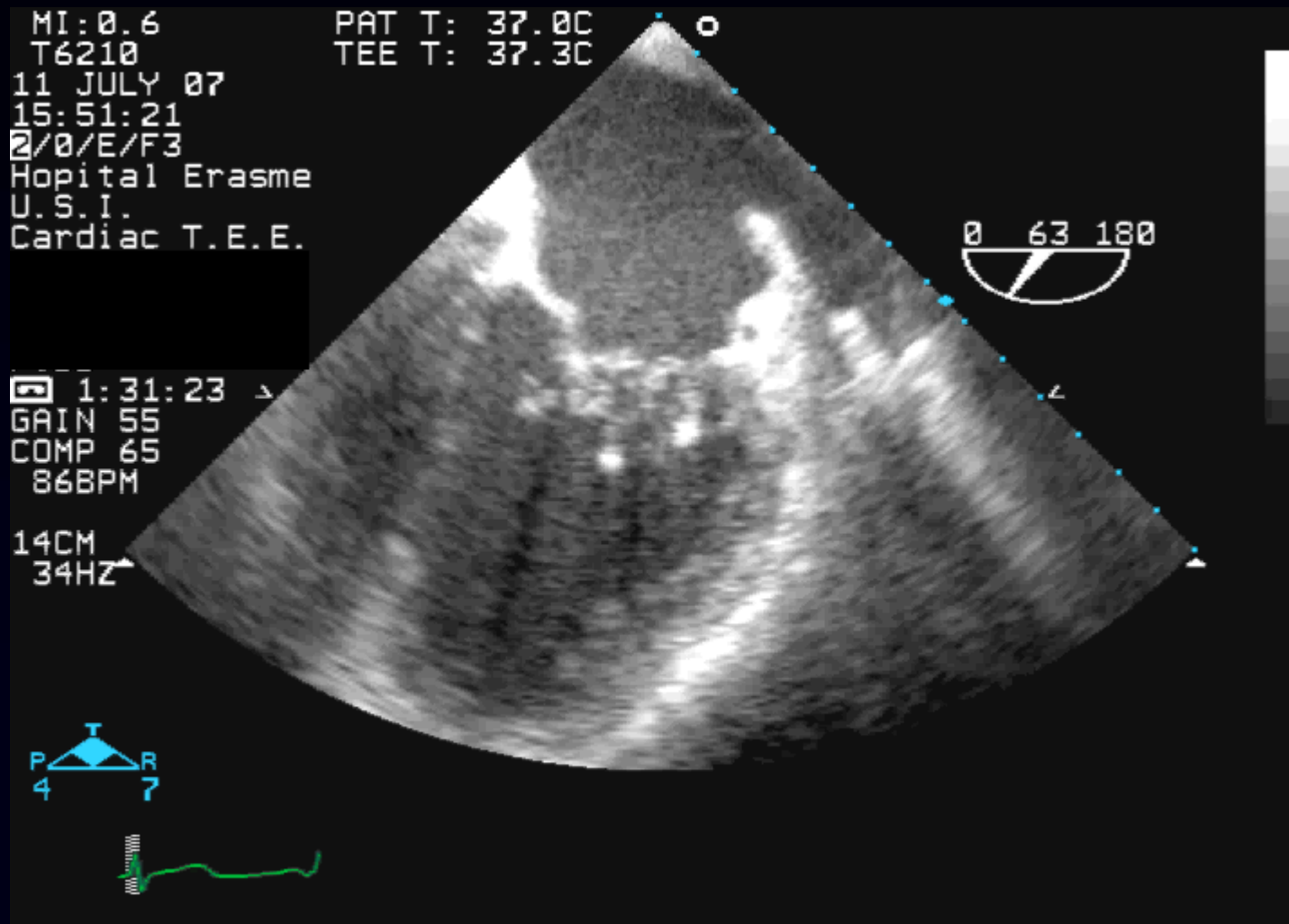
ICM 32:1547;2006

|                      | Grade 0                         | Grade 1                          | Grade 2                       |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| SVC changes          | 57 (SVC CI 0%)                  | 22 (SVC CI $19 \pm 10\%^*$ )     | 4 (SVC CI $80 \pm 1\%^{**}$ ) |
| LV systolic function | 38 (LVEF $63 \pm 8\%$ )         | 24 (LVEF $42 \pm 5\%^*$ )        | 21 (LVEF $27 \pm 8\%^{**}$ )  |
| RV diastolic size    | 70 (EDA ratio $0.40 \pm 0.12$ ) | 13 (EDA ratio $0.73 \pm 0.1^*$ ) | 0                             |
| IVS kinetics         | 81 (EI $1.07 \pm 0.04$ )        | 2 (EI 1.9 and 1.5)*              | –                             |

\*  $p < 0.05$  vs. grade 0, \*\*  $p < 0.05$  vs. grade 1

**Echocardiography in sepsis:  
its interest is not restricted to hemodynamic  
assessment !**

# Shock and respiratory failure developing 7 days after peritonitis



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