

# Mechanical Cardiac Support in Acute Heart Failure

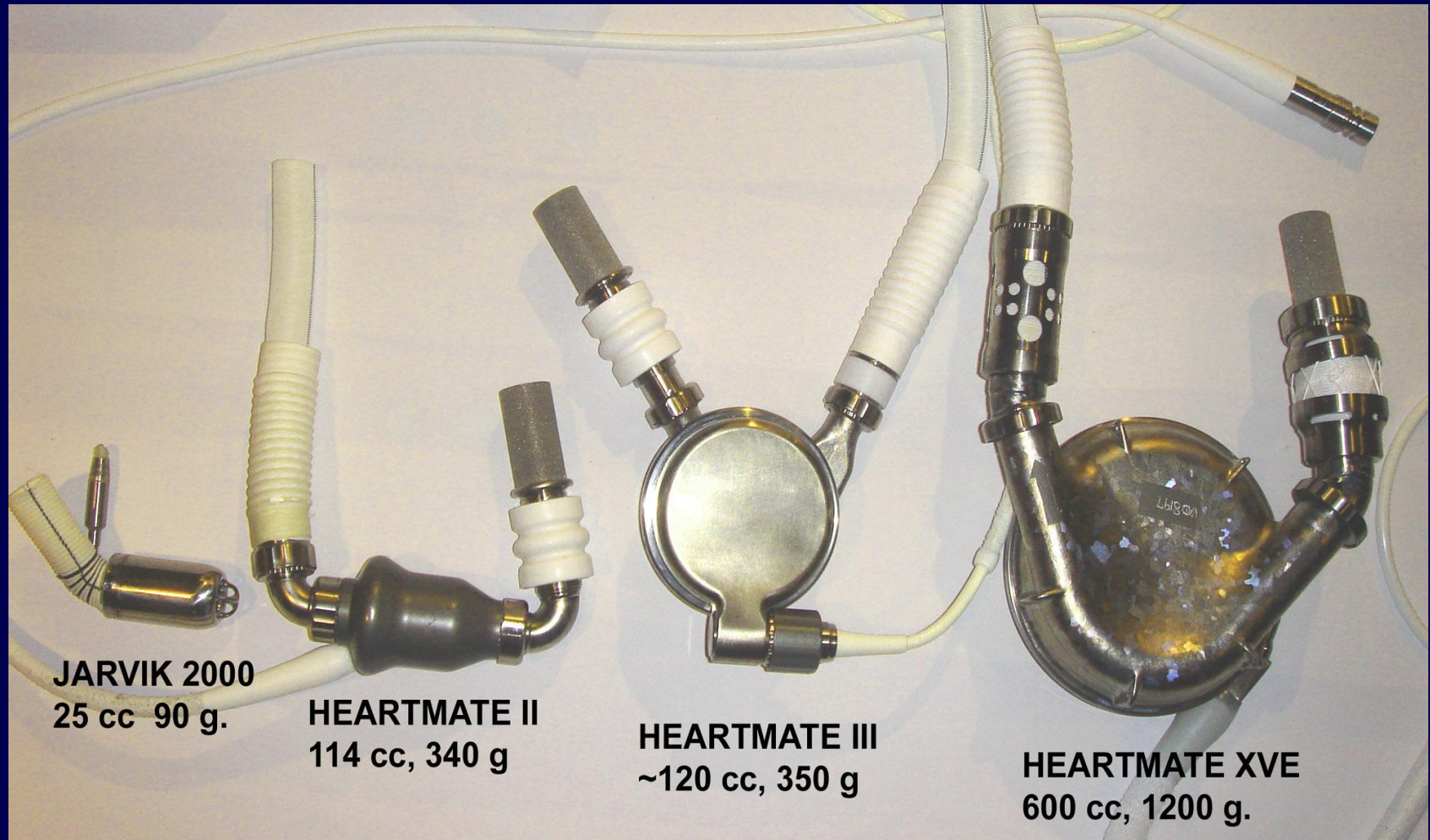
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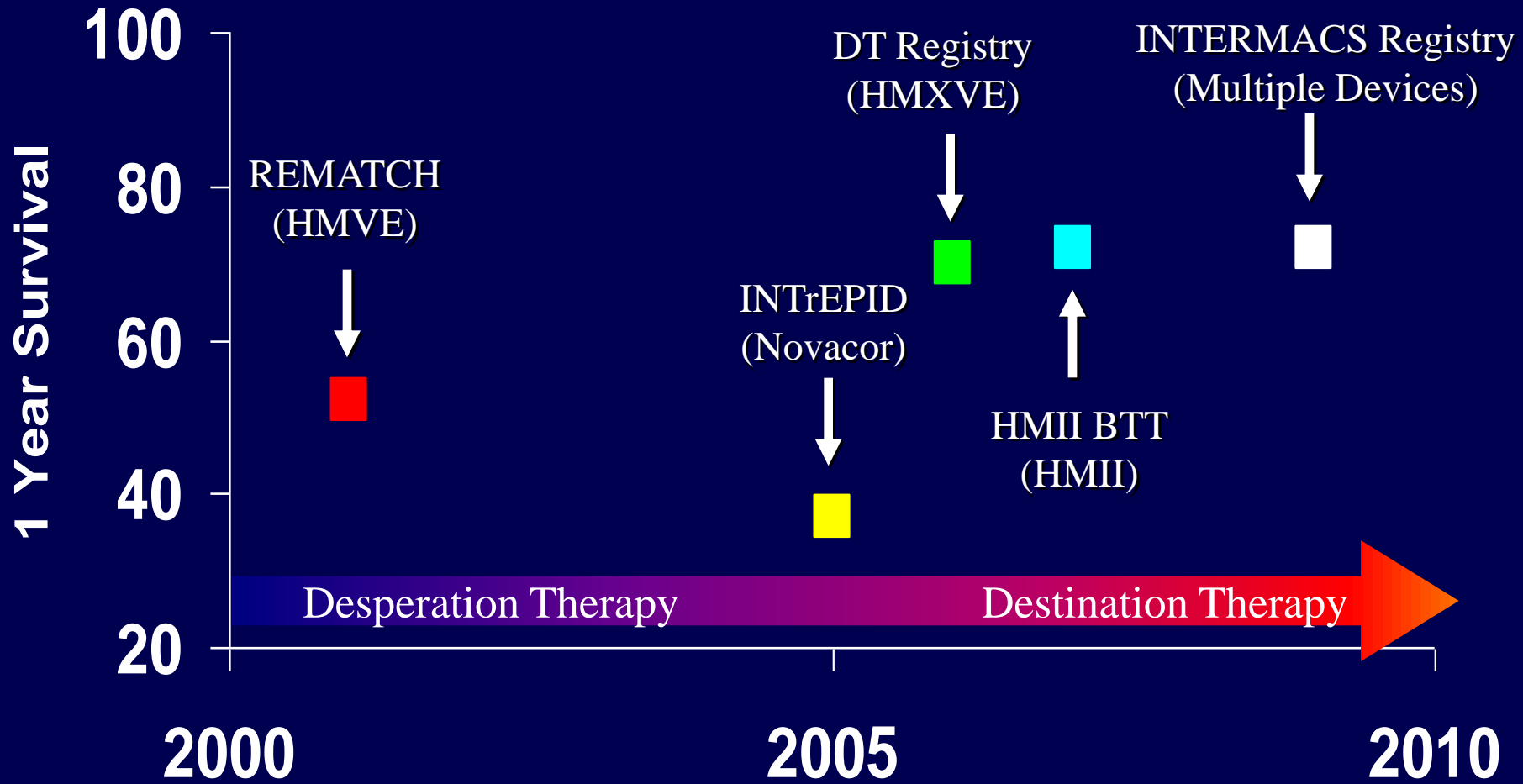
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# The Evolution of Left Ventricular Assist Devices



# Improving Survival with LVAD Therapy



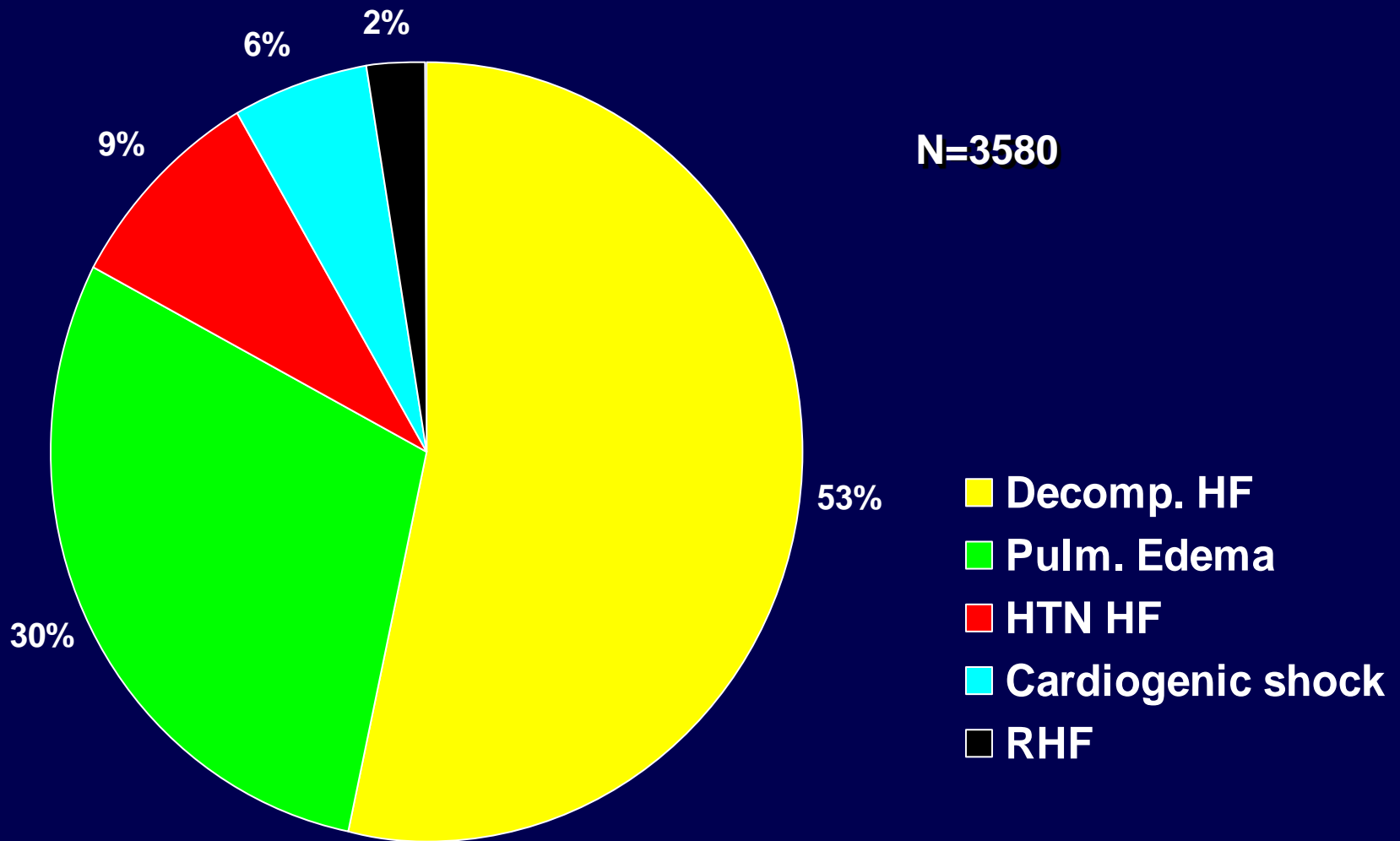
# Indications for VAD Therapy

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| Bridge to Recovery/<br>Explantation | Device intended for short term support for a condition that is anticipated to be reversible  |
| Bridge to Bridge                    | Device intended for short term support (typically inserted in an emergent situation) until a more permanent device can be implanted  |
| Bridge to Transplant*               | Device typically intended for short- to intermediate-term support in patients actively listed for transplantation  |
| Bridge to Decision                  | Device inserted to support a patient in whom the ultimate therapy is not able to be determined at the time of implantation. Device may be used for short or long-term support. |
| Destination Therapy*                | Device inserted with the intention of long-term support in patients who are not candidates for transplantation   |

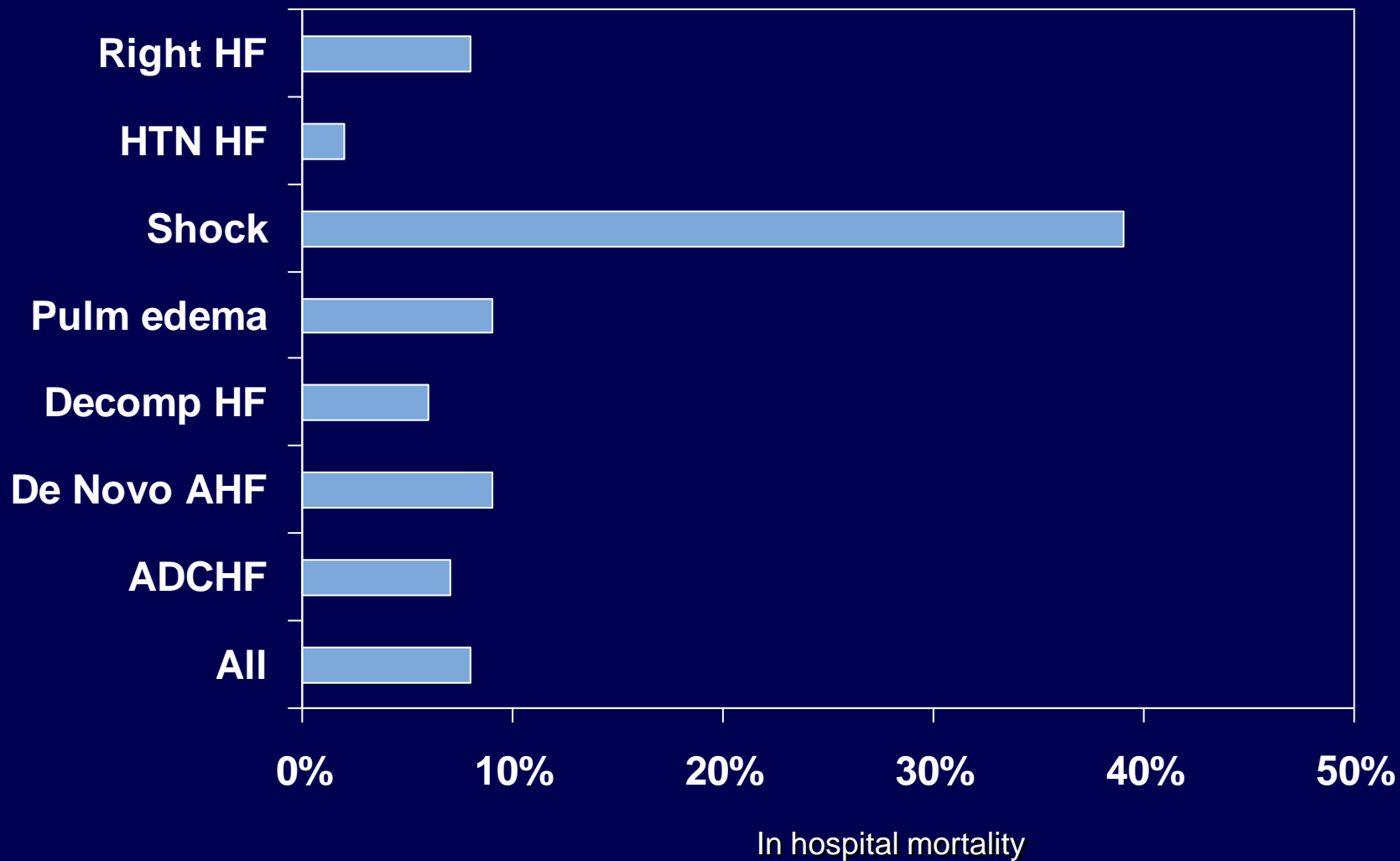
# Outline

- Which Patients?
- Which Device?
- What Next?

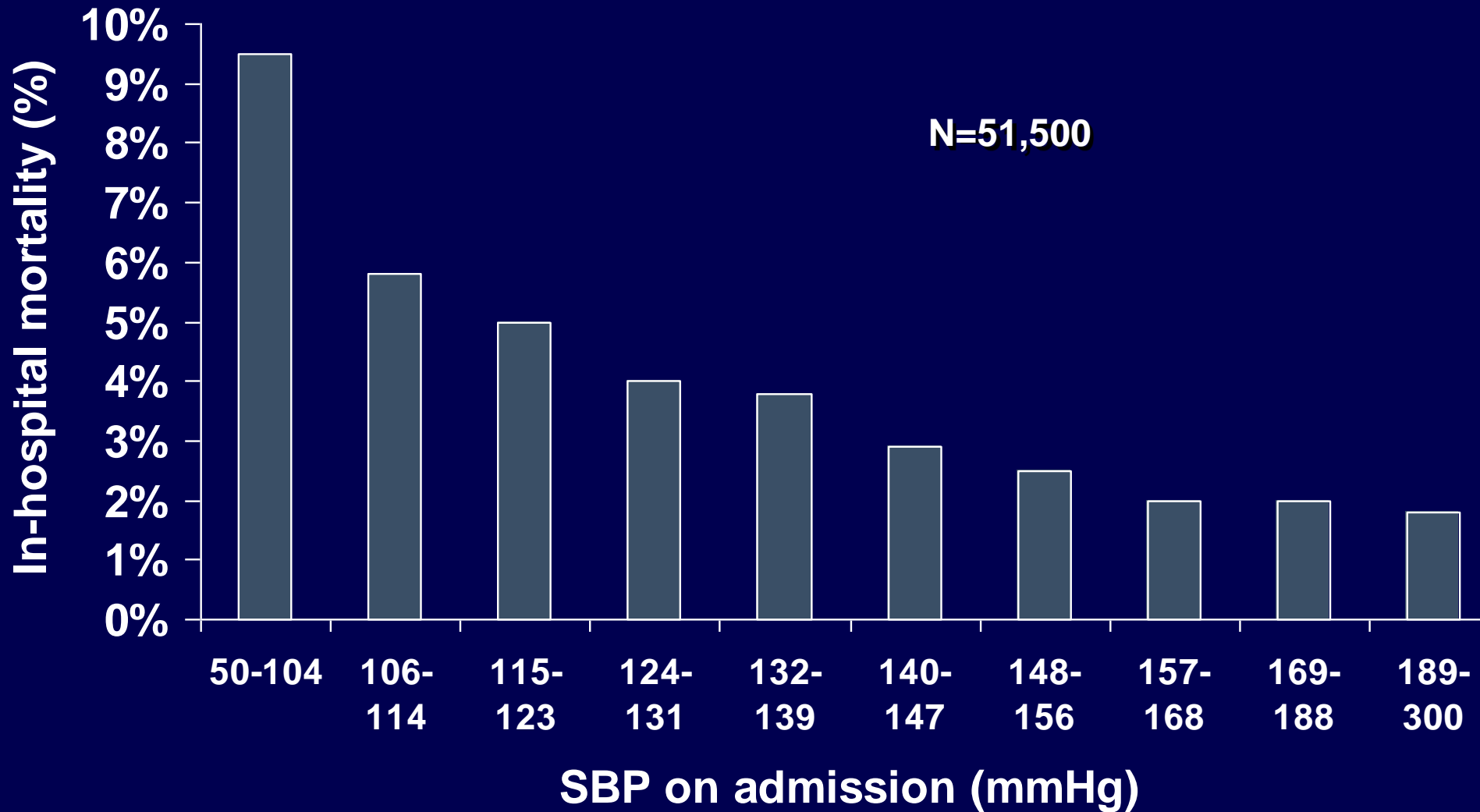
# Clinical Profiles in AHF: Data from Euro Heart Failure Survey II



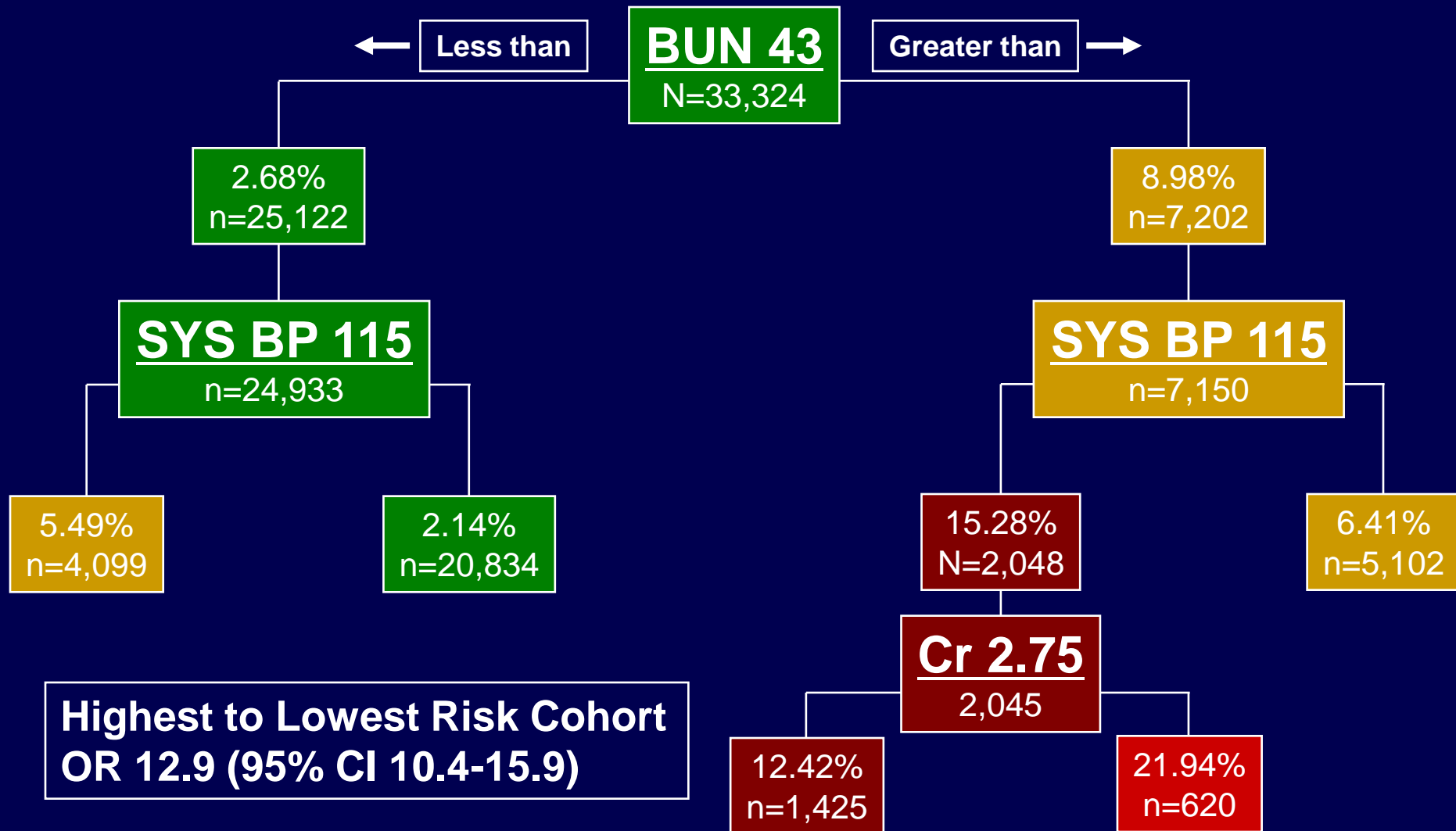
# Mortality in AHF by Clinical Classification



# SBP in AHF: Higher is Better?



# ADHERE CART: Predictors of Mortality



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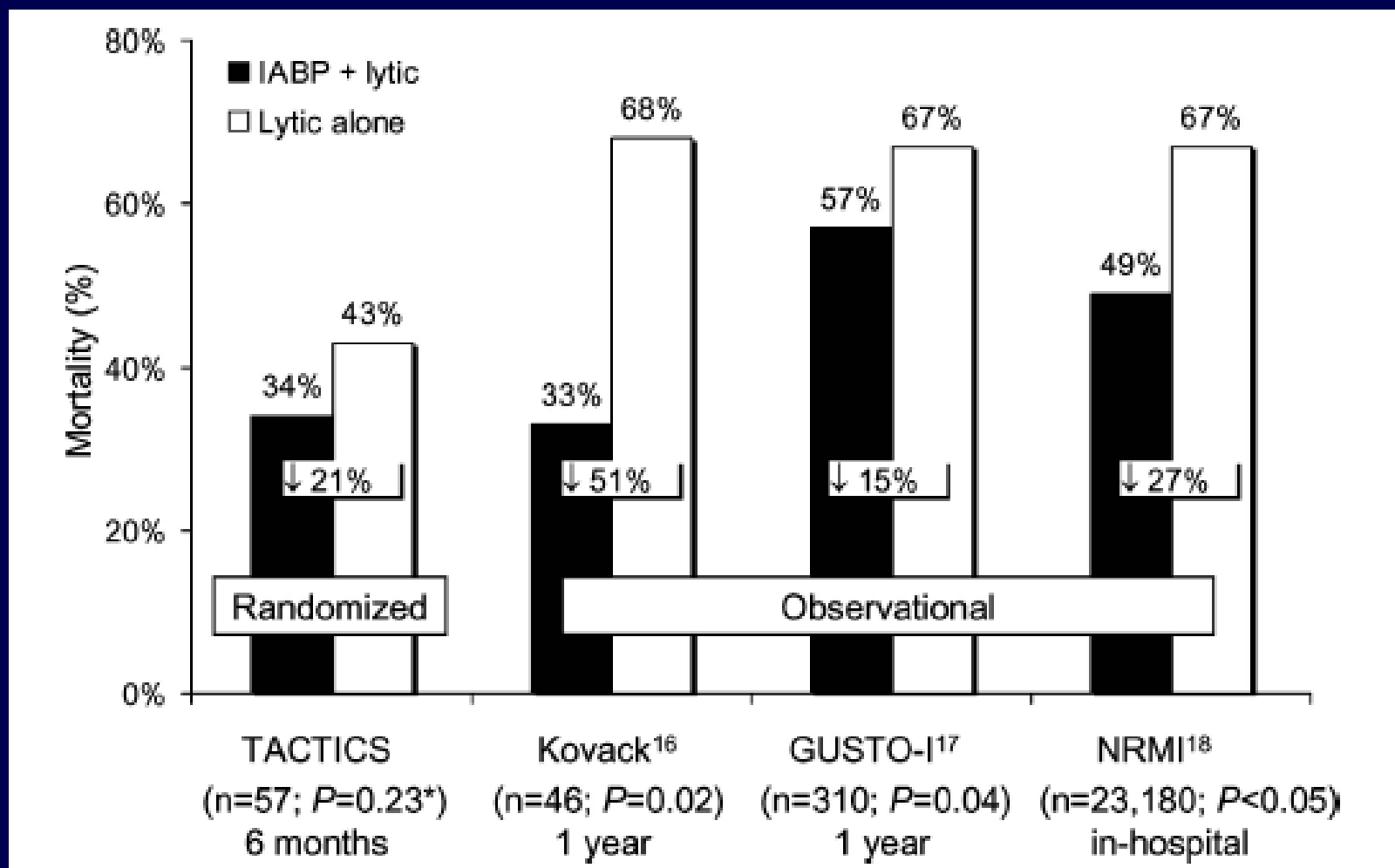
# Choices of Device

- Choices continue to evolve with changing technology
- Percutaneous
  - Intra-aortic balloon pump
  - Impella
  - Tandem-heart
  - Cancion (no longer in development)
  - ECMO
- Surgically implanted
  - Centrimag
  - Abiomed AB5000
  - Thoratec pVAD
  - Long term VADS (e.g., HeartMate II)

# The Physiology of Counterpulsation

|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| Enhanced coronary blood flow | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Diastolic balloon inflation increases intra-aortic pressure and coronary perfusion</li><li>■ MAP increases from greater increase in diastolic pressure than reduction of systolic pressure</li><li>■ Absolute change in coronary perfusion dependent upon vasoregulation</li></ul> |
| Left ventricular unloading   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Displacement of blood into the periphery</li><li>■ Reduction of SBP</li><li>■ Reduction of LVEDP</li><li>■ Reduced LV wall stress</li><li>■ Reduced LV O<sub>2</sub> consumption</li></ul>   |
| Improved cardiac output      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Preserved or increased stroke volume</li><li>■ Increased cardiac output as a result of afterload reduction</li></ul>   |

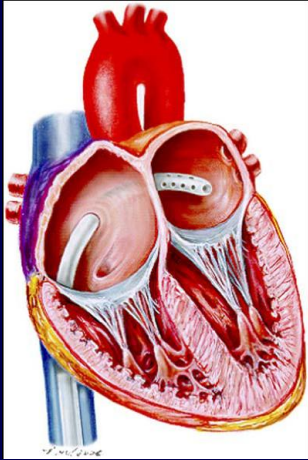
# IABP as an Adjunct to Thrombolytic Therapy



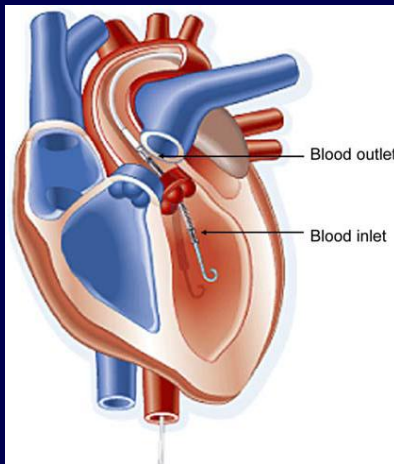
# Clinical Pearls about IABP in AHF

- Use “too early” rather than “too late”
- Often effective even in non-ischemic patients
- May be less effective in very young patients due to greater aortic distensibility

# Percutaneous MCS Devices



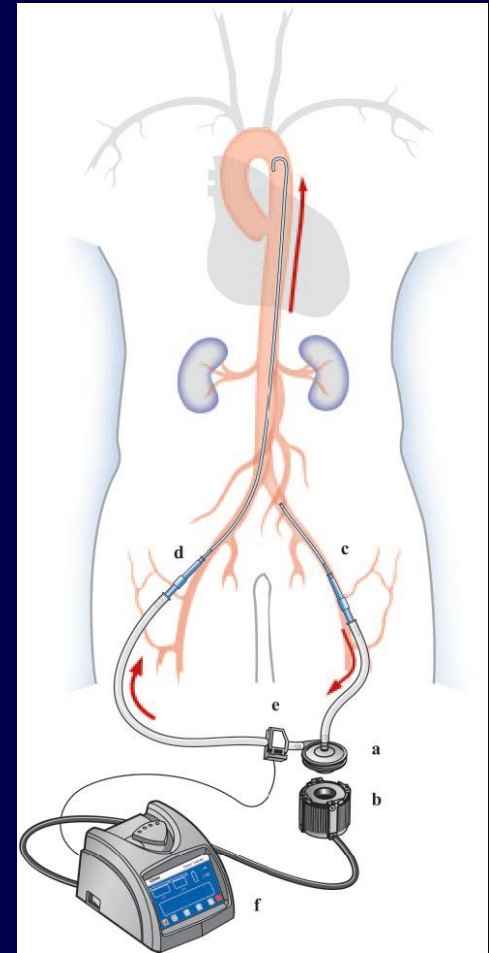
TandemHeart



Impella

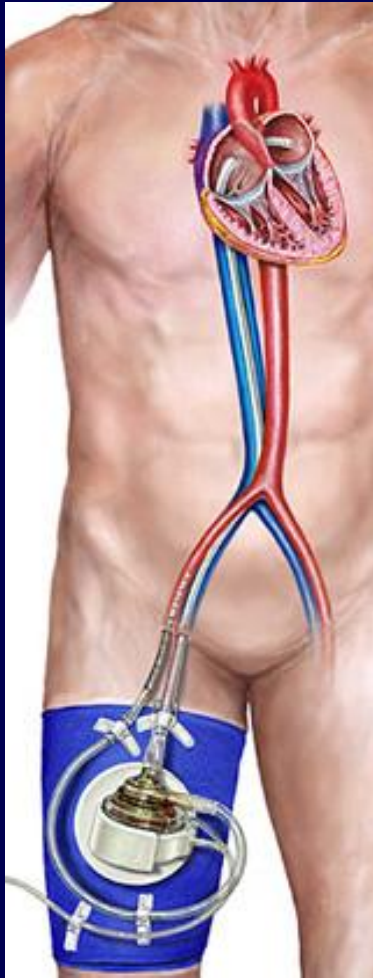
## Potential Clinical Utility of Percutaneous VADS

- Acute cardiogenic shock
- Chronic decompensated heart failure
- Post-cardiotomy
- Hemodynamically assisted high risk coronary interventions
- Supported percutaneous valve repair/replacement
- Supported ventricular arrhythmia ablation



Cancion

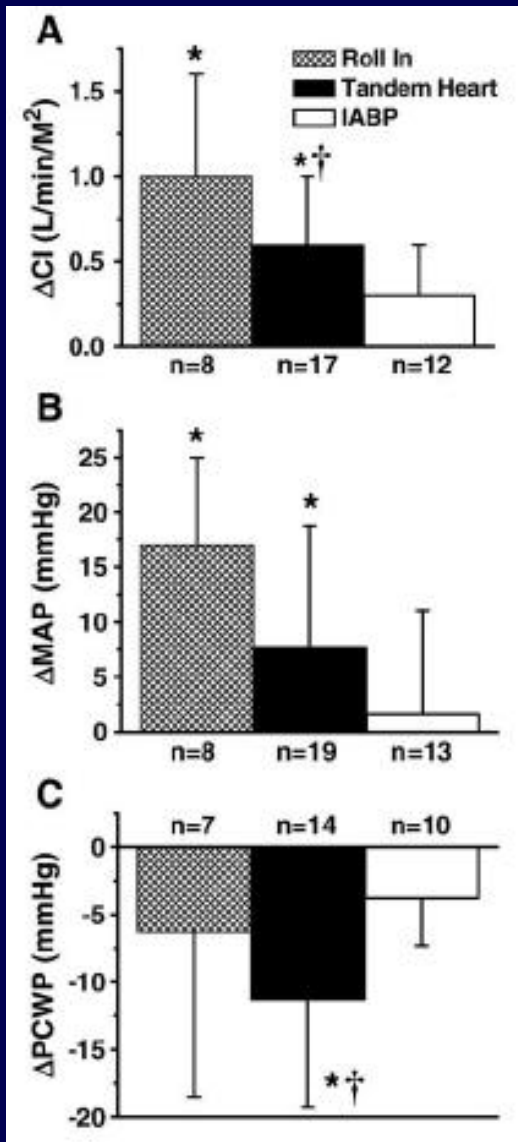
# Percutaneous Mechanical Support



## TandemHeart pVAD

- Percutaneous insertion
  - 21F venous cannula passes to left atrium via a transseptal puncture
  - 15-17 F arterial cannula
  - Centrifugal flow pump that can provide 3.5-4 l/min at 7500 RPM
- Systemic anticoagulation required
- Approved for short-term support

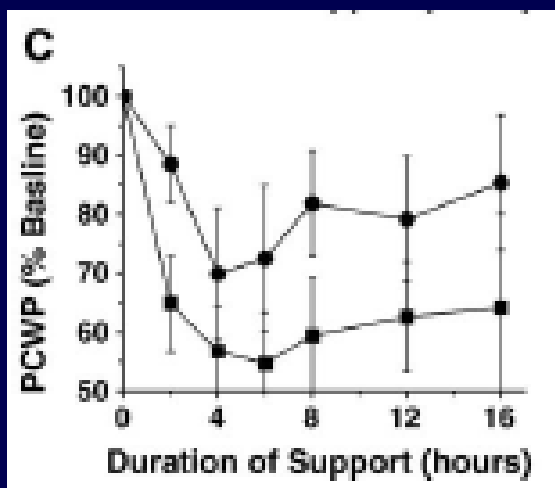
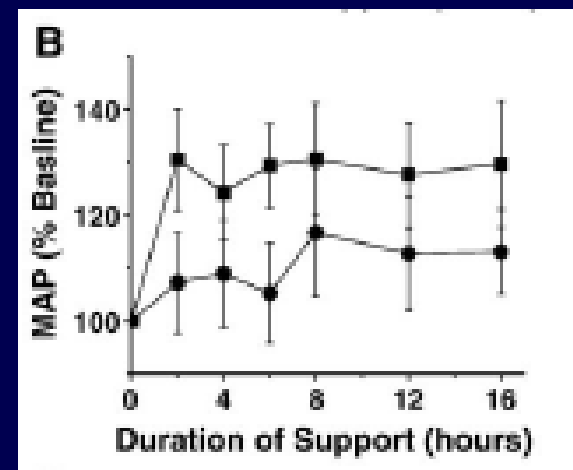
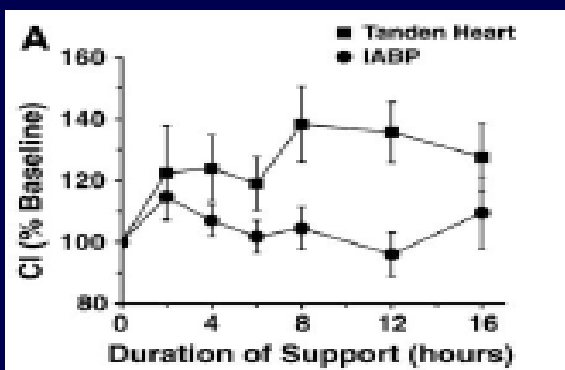
# TandemHeart



- Randomized trial of 42 patients with cardiogenic shock
  - 70% ACS
  - 30% Decompensated HF
- 71% with shock despite IABP
- Centers implanting first patient were allowed to implant the TandemHeart in the “Roll In” phase (non-randomized).
- Mean support duration=2.5 days

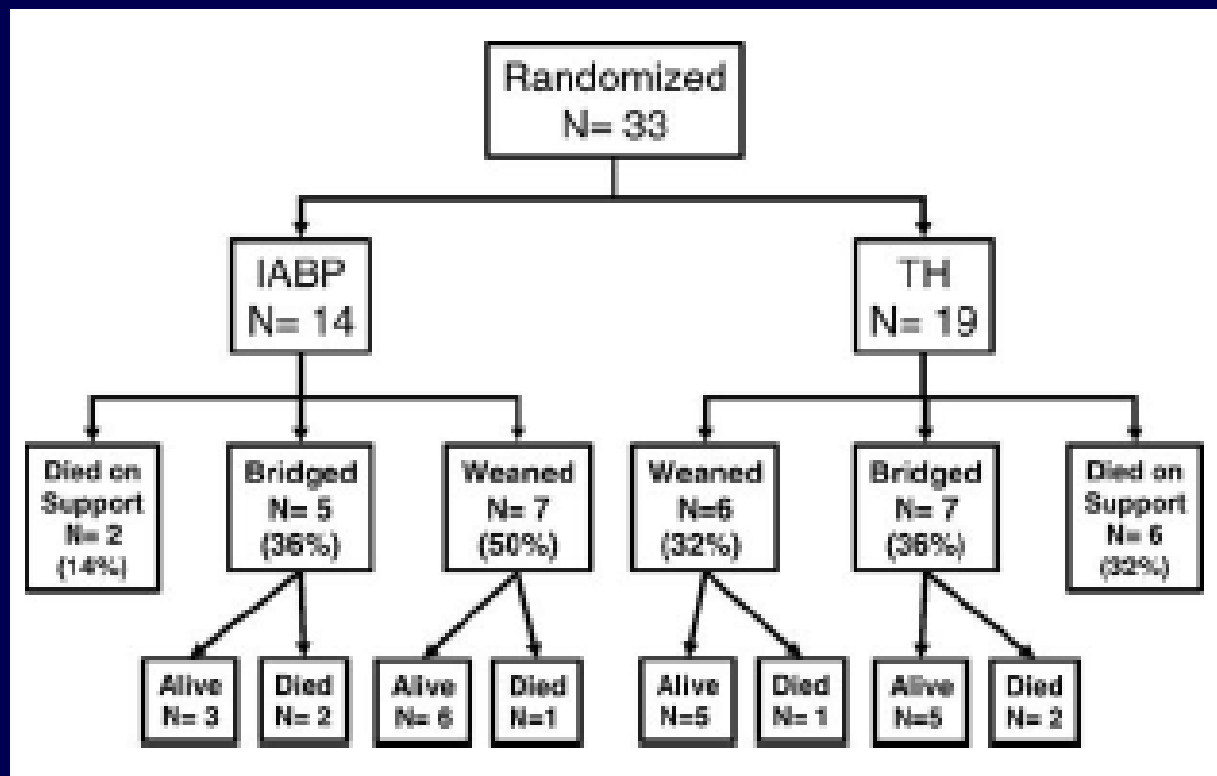
# TandemHeart Results

42 patients with cardiogenic shock randomized to IABP or TandemHeart

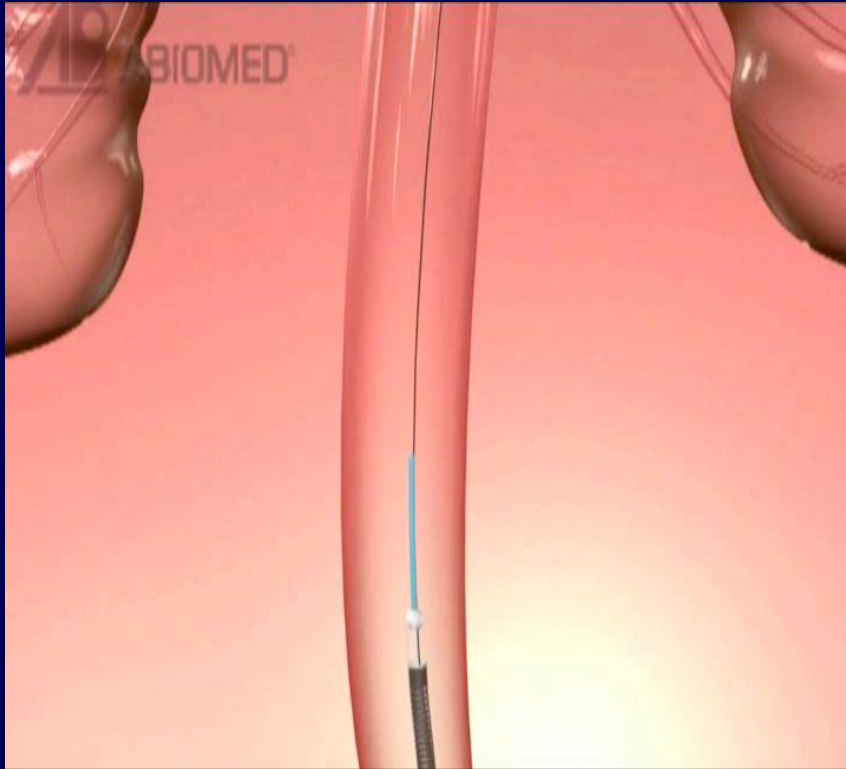


# TandemHeart

- No difference in 30 day survival rates (IABP 64% vs. TandemHeart 53%)
- No difference in frequency of adverse events



# Impella Recover

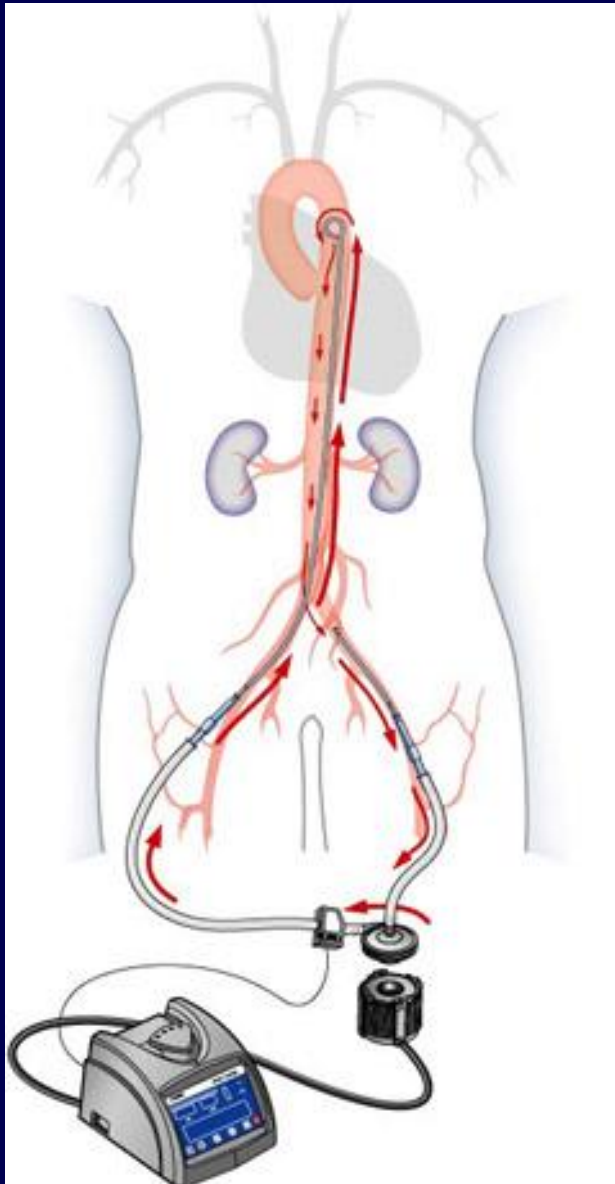


- Miniaturized rotary blood pump (axial flow)
- Provides up to 2.5 (percutaneous) or 5.0 (surgical) L/min at maximum speed of 50,000 rpm
- Inserted retrograde across the AoV to unload the LV
- No extracorporeal blood
- Requires heparin

# Impella Trials

- *PROTECT II*: Prospective, randomized trial of Impella vs IABP in patients undergoing non-emergent high-risk PCI
- *RECOVER II*: Prospective, randomized trial of Impella vs. IABP in patients with post-MI hemodynamic instability

# Cancion: Continuous Aortic Flow Augmentation

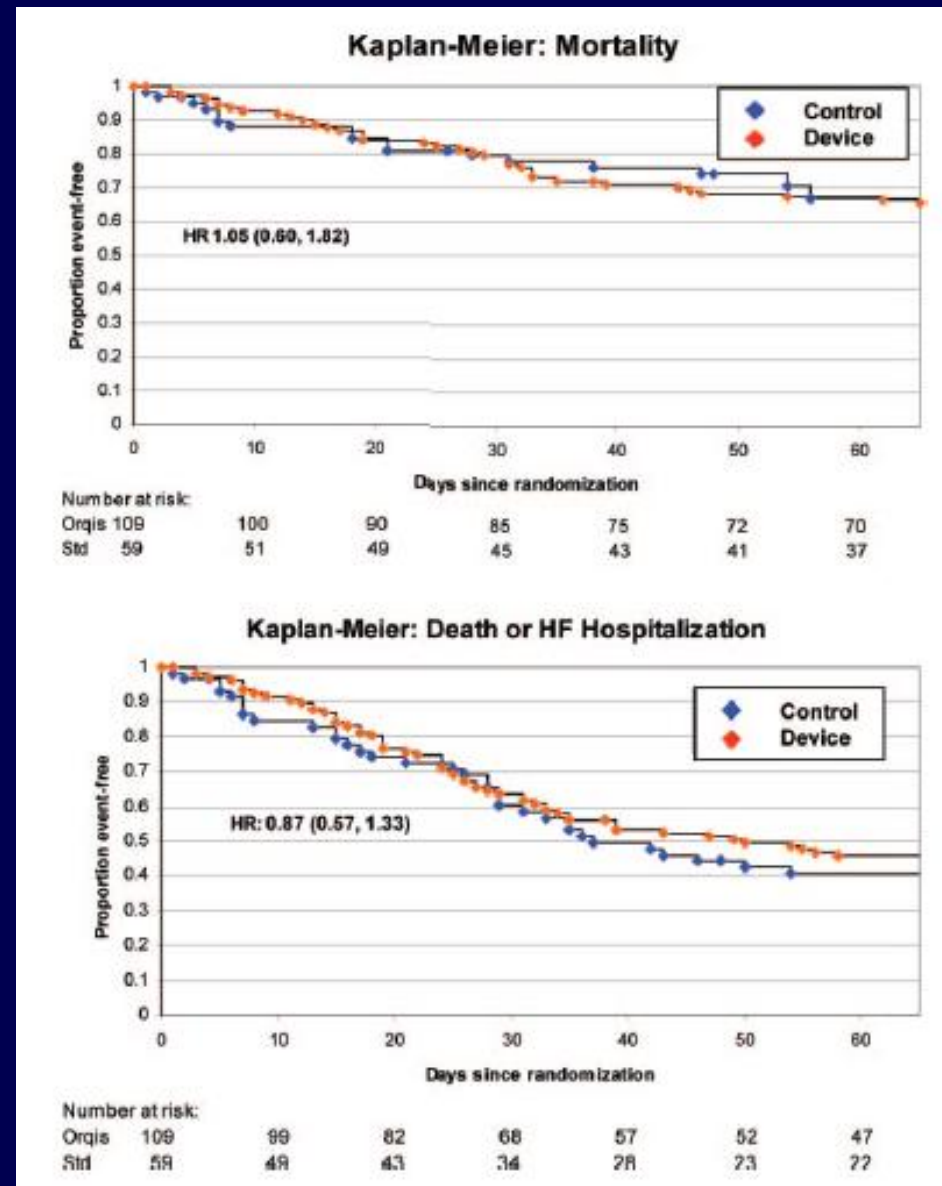
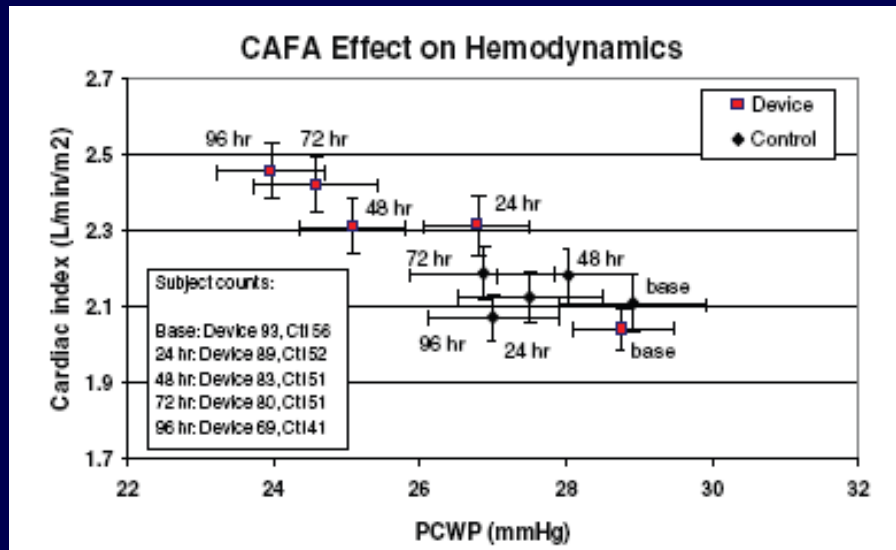


- Outflow from iliac artery and inflow to proximal descending aorta
- External pump drives the system. 2000-5400 rpm provides flows of 1.1-1.5 L/min
- Decreased afterload by reducing the inertia of a standing column of blood in the aorta at the onset of systole

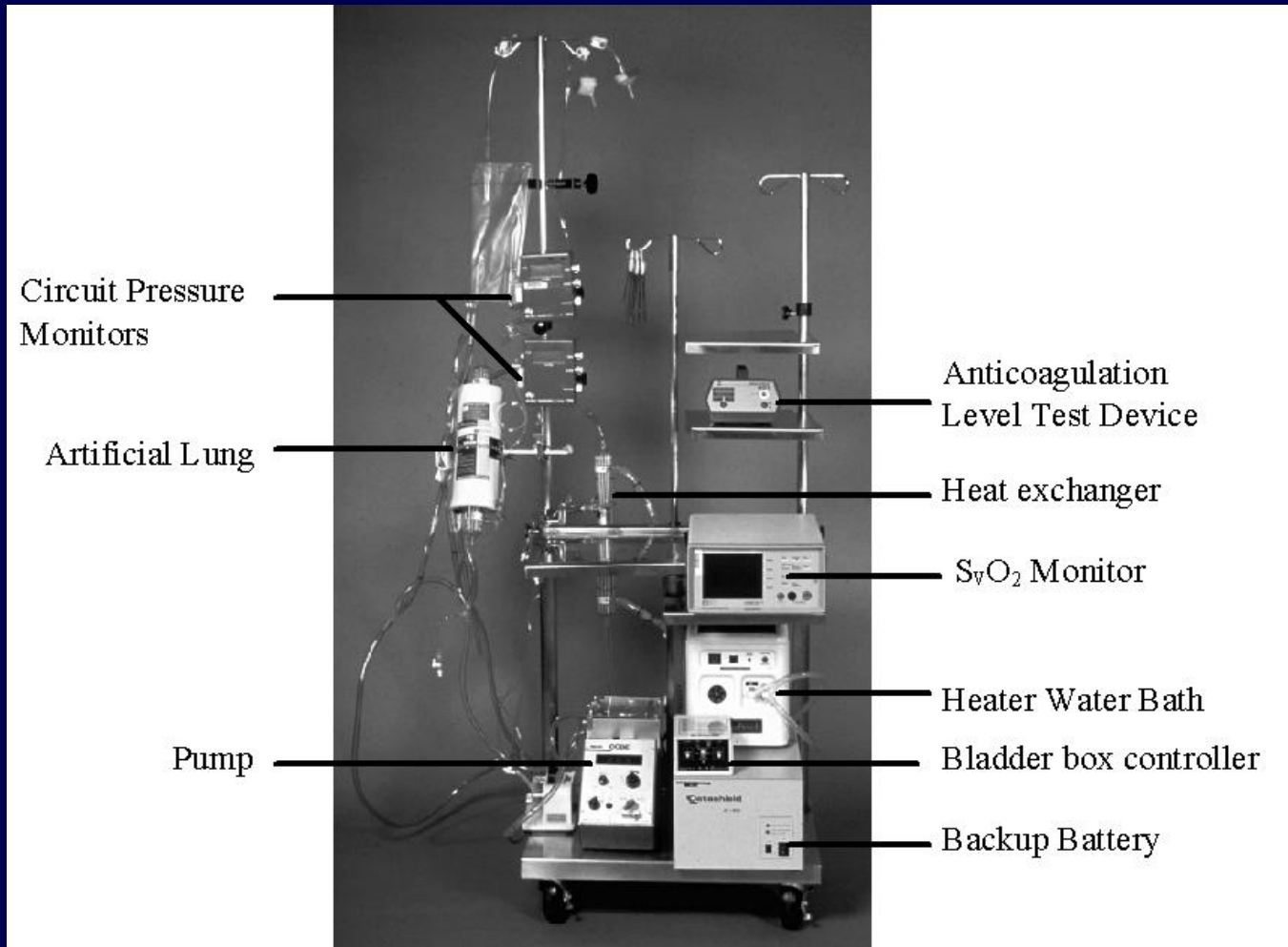
# MOMENTUM

## MOMENTUM Trial

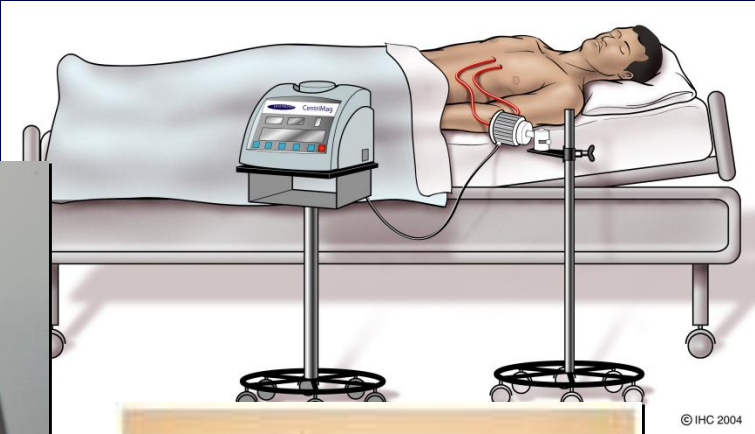
- 169 patients (109 device; 59 control)
- Composite primary endpoint: PCWP and days alive and out of hospital at 35 days
- Stopped for futility and excess bleeding in the treatment arm



# Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenator



# Surgically Implantable Temporary MCSD



Centrimag



AB5000 Ventricle

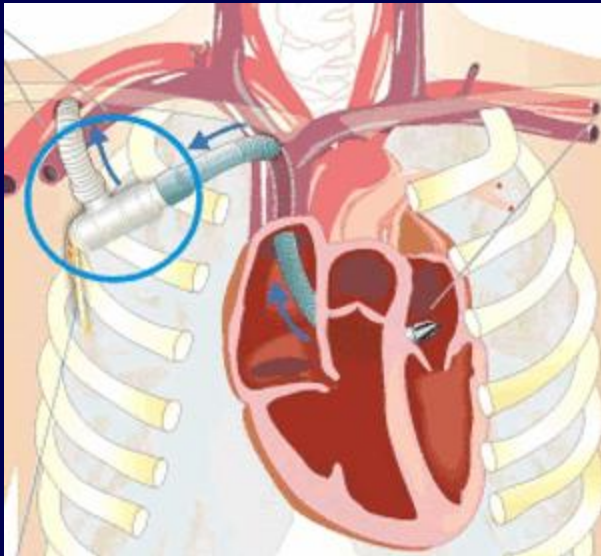
Abiomed



Thoratec pVad

# Future of Percutaneously Placed MCS

## Circulite Synergy



- Surgical or percutaneous implant
- Partial cardiac assist
- Flow 2-3 l/min
- Modeling suggests reduction of LVEDP 7-10 mm Hg
- 8-12 hours of untethered support

- 14 x 49 mm
- 25 gm



# So, Which Device for my patient?

- Amount of Support Needed?
  - TandemHeart > Impella > IABP
- Duration of Support?
- Other issues (e.g., PVD, active bleeding)
- Local expertise?

# Where to Next?

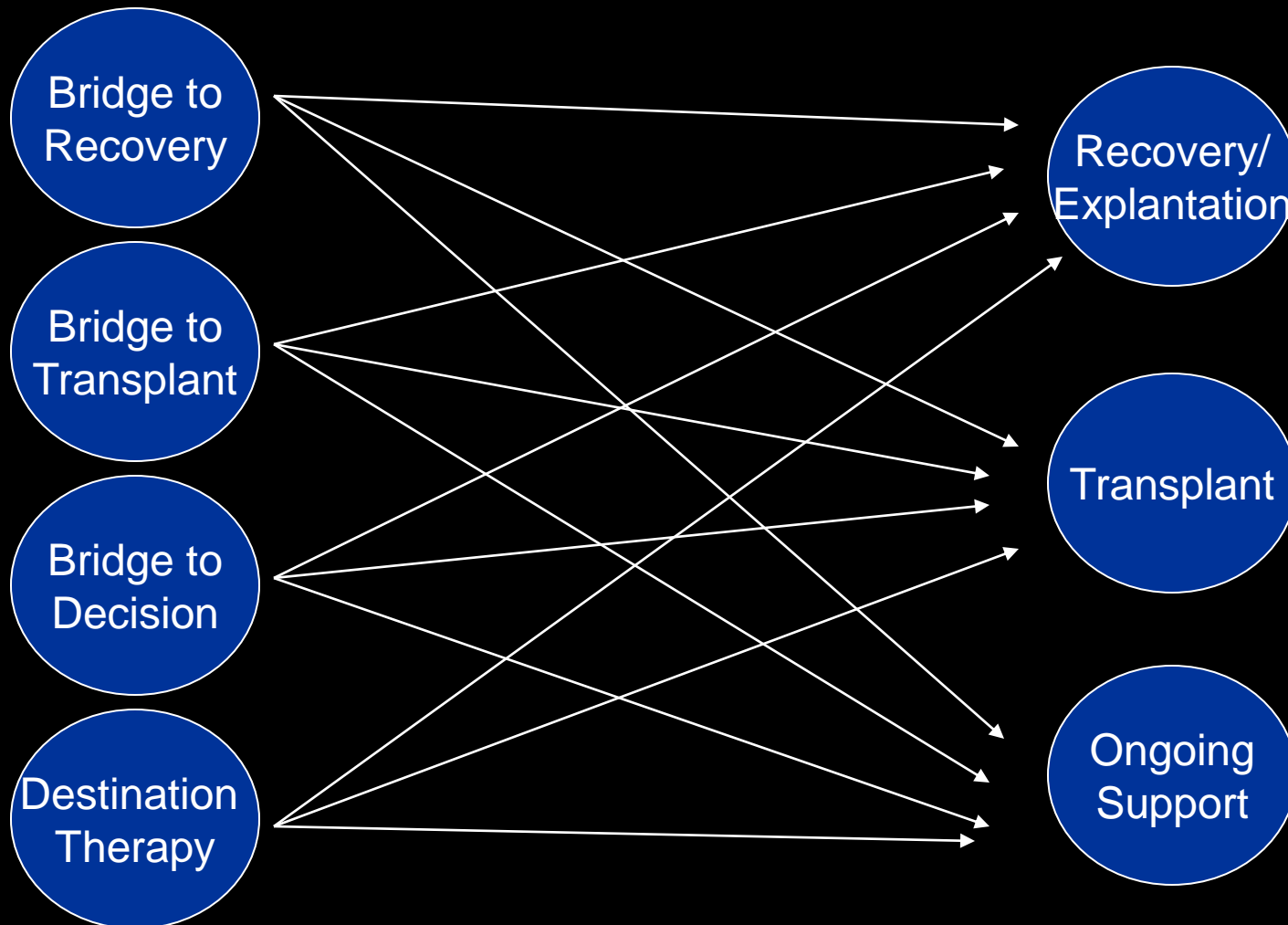


The eventual destination may not be immediately clear

# Potential Outcomes of Device Implantation

Intention at Implant

Ultimate Indication



# Summary and Conclusions

- Percutaneous mechanical circulatory support devices are growing in capability and complexity
- Patient selection remains the most critical component of success with these devices
- Randomized data is sparse and complicated by the critical acute illness of many of these patients
- It is likely that centers invested in percutaneous circulatory support will require  $>1$  device to satisfy the needs of the entire population
- Conceptually we are moving from total cardiac output replacement to partial hemodynamic support