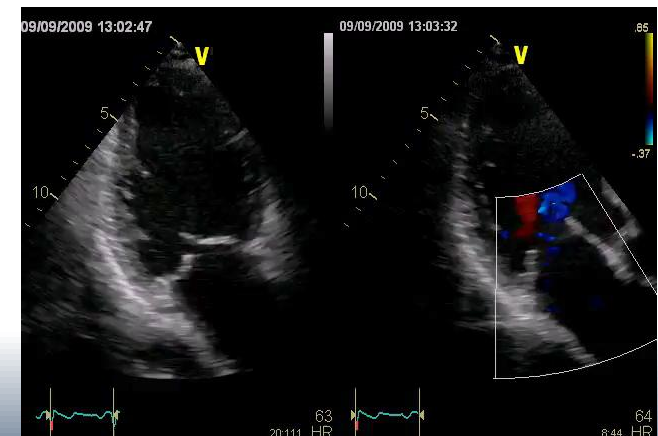
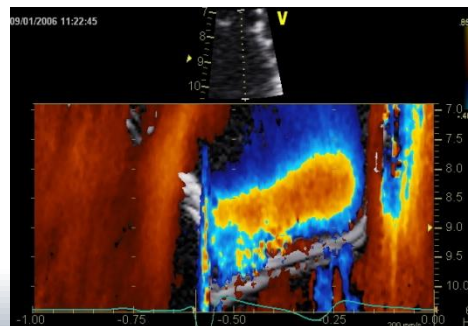
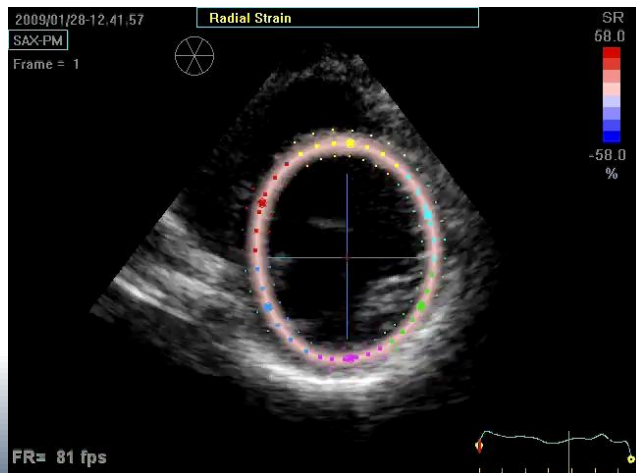


Advanced Evaluation of Left Ventricular Function in Degenerative MR

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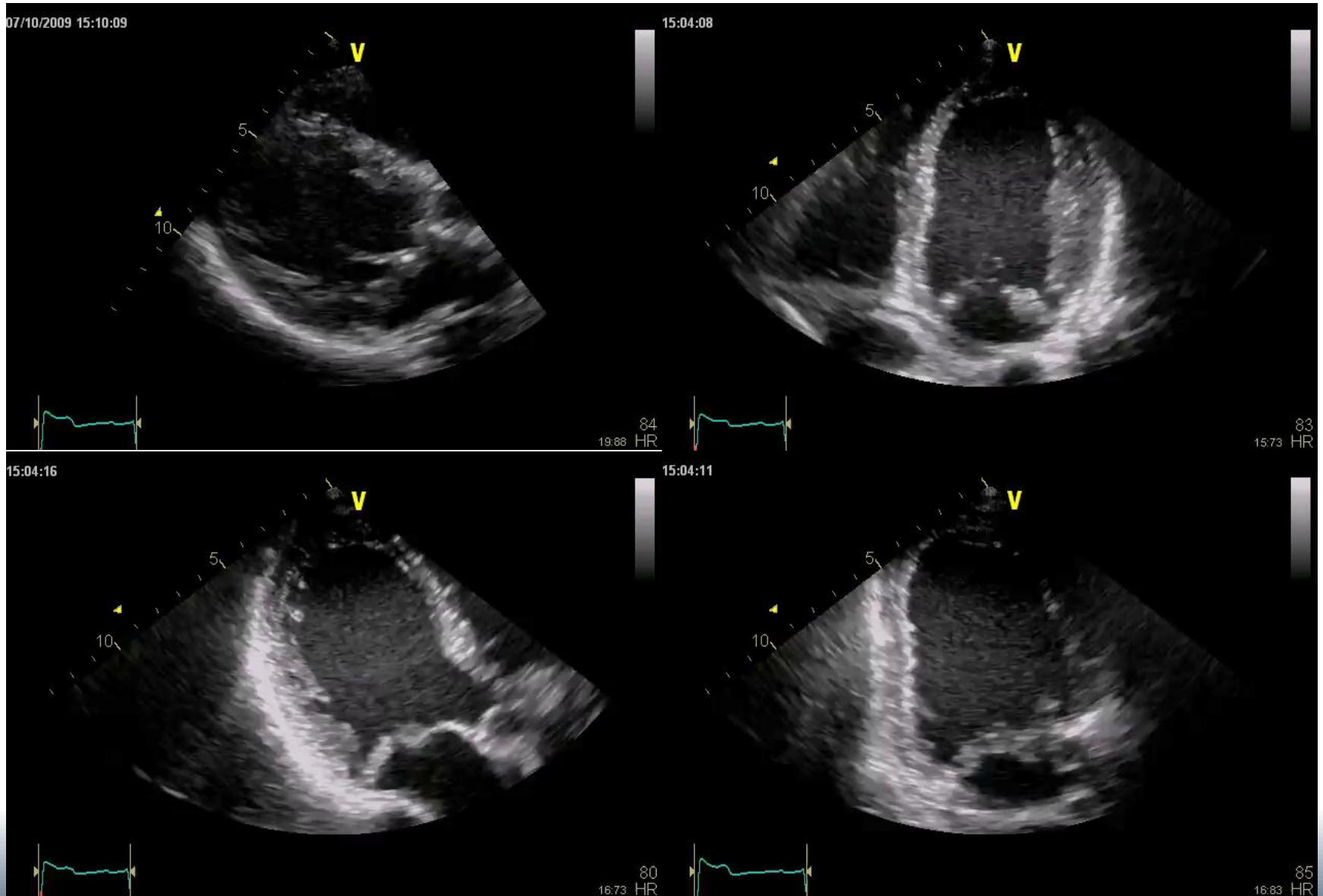
Clinical data

- 42 y.o. man,
- Height: 1.73m, Weight: 57kg
- BMI: 19 Kg/m²
- Body surface area: 1.68m²
- Asymptomatic, NYHA I
- Systolic murmur 3/6
- Barlow disease with mitral valve prolapse diagnosed in 2007
- No risk factor
- No medication

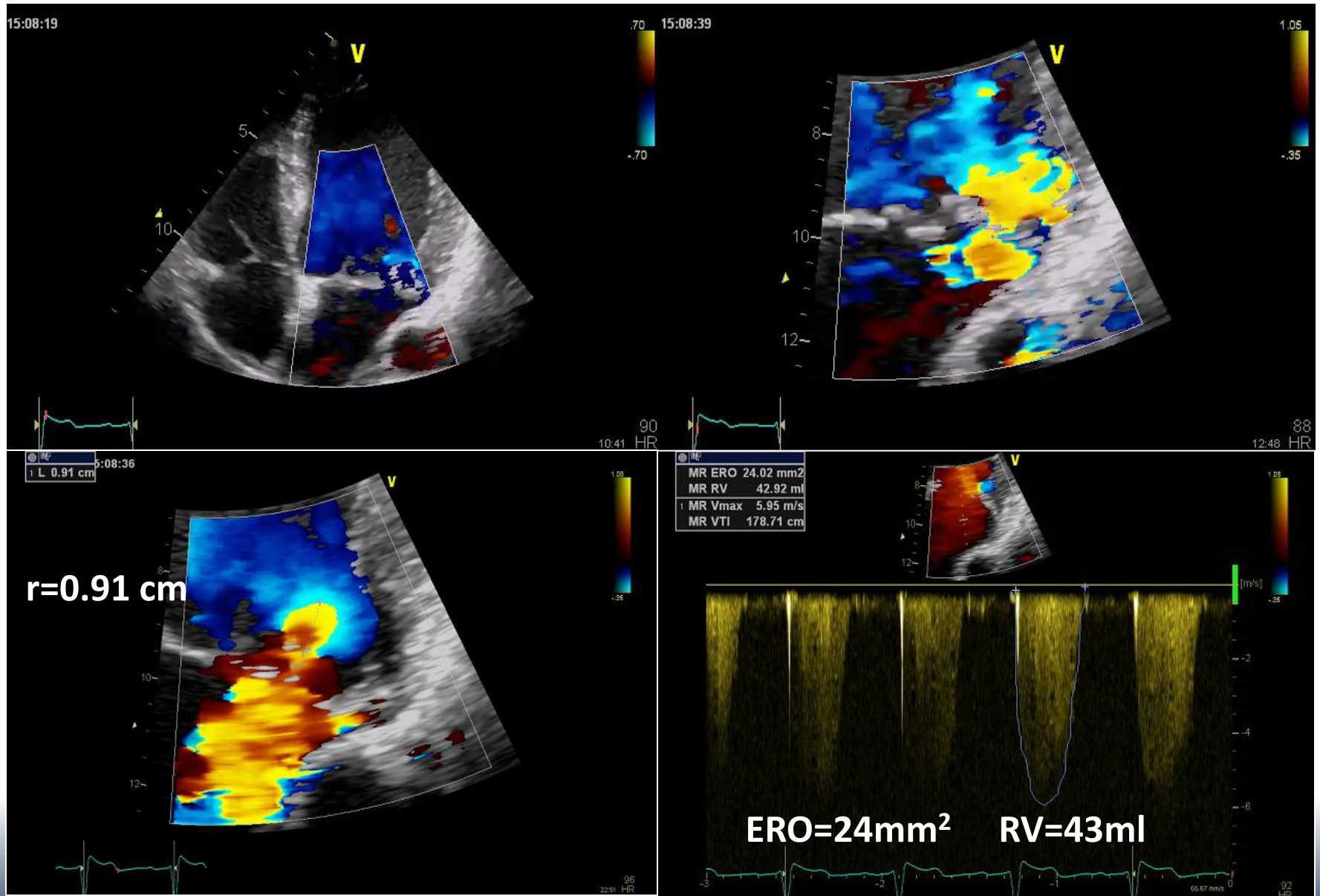
Previous Echocardiography

- LVED D: 35mm, LVES D: 28mm
- LVEF: 65%
- Moderate MR
- Systolic PAP: 38mmHg
- LA volume: 48ml

Resting Echocardiography



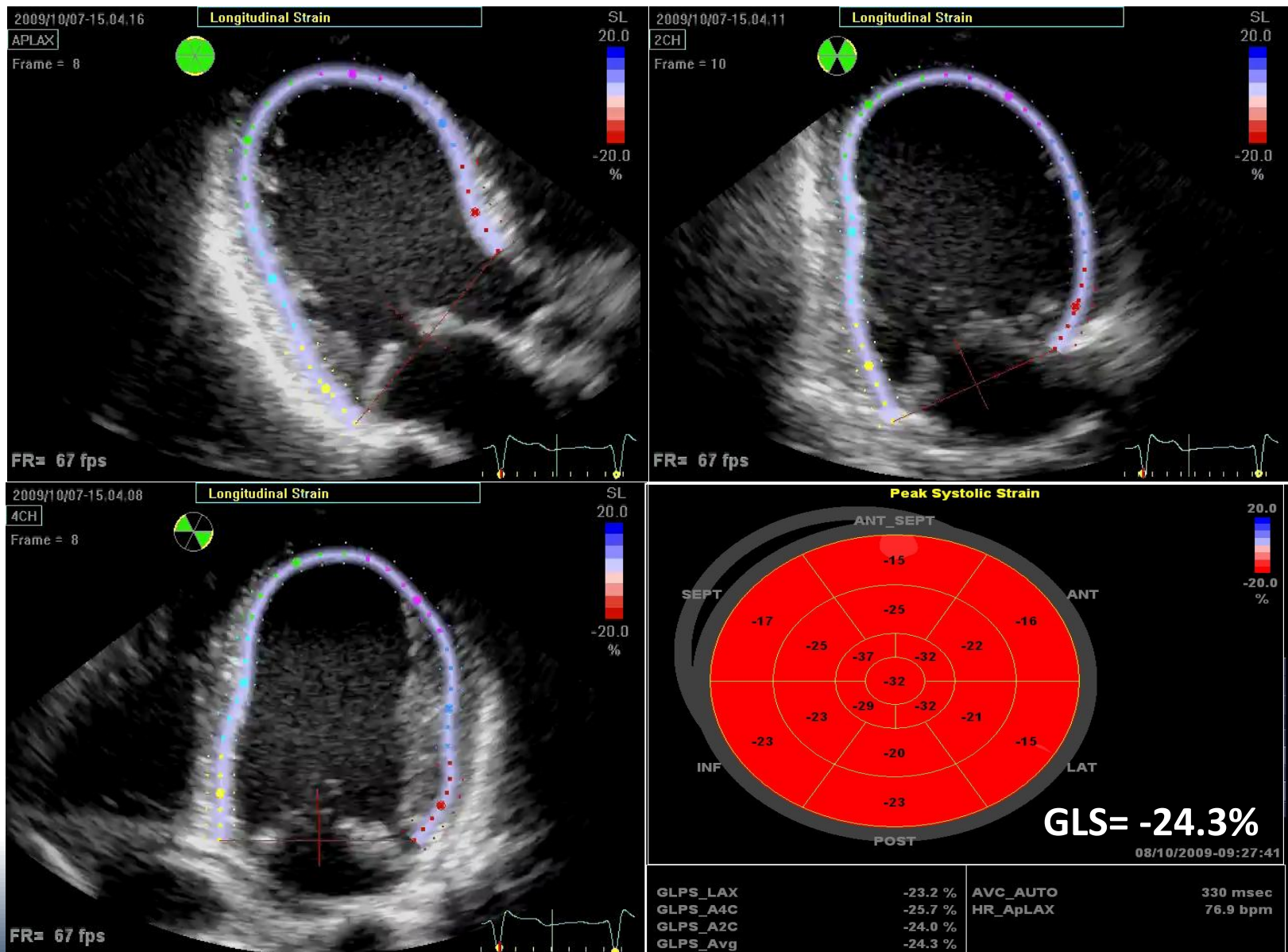
MR Quantification



Echo Data

	Rest	Low Exercise	Peak Exercise
ERO _{PISA}	24 mm ²		
ERO _{Doppler}	30 mm ²		
RV _{PISA}	43 ml		
RV _{Doppler}	55 ml		
Average ERO	27 mm ²		
Average RV	49 ml		
SPAP	35 mmHg		
LVEF _{Simpson}	63 %		

2D Speckle Tracking

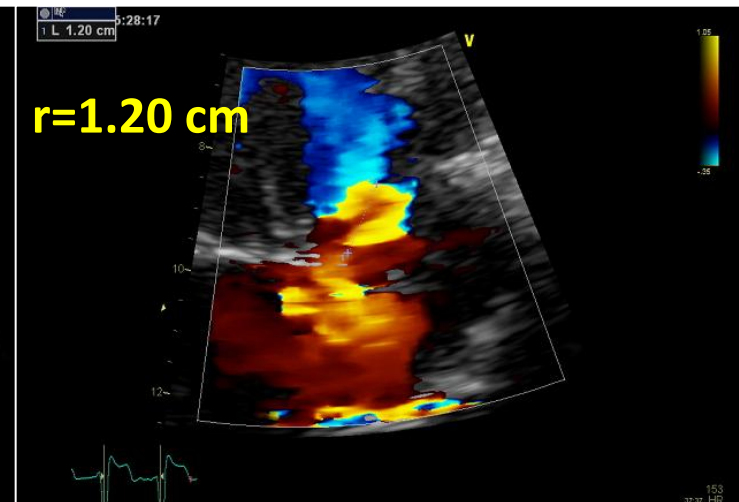
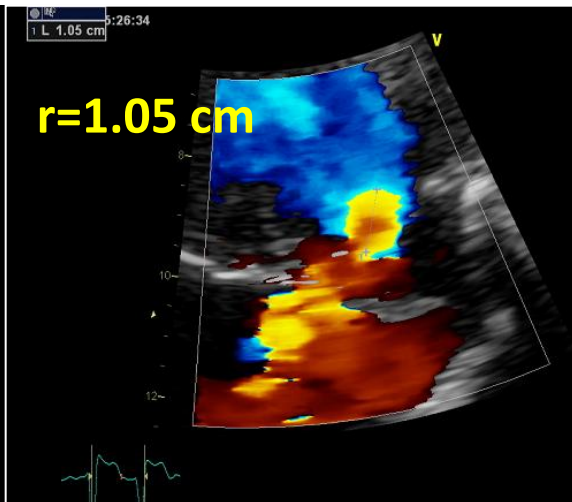
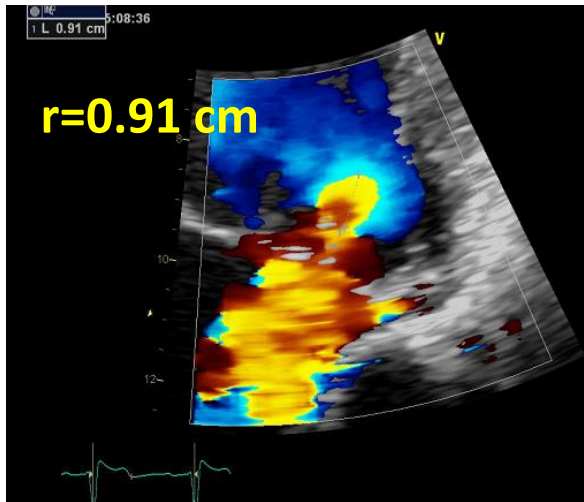


Exercise

Rest

Low-Exer

Peak-Exer



ERO=24mm²

ERO=30mm²

ERO=49mm²

RV=43ml

RV=55ml

RV=74ml

HR=88

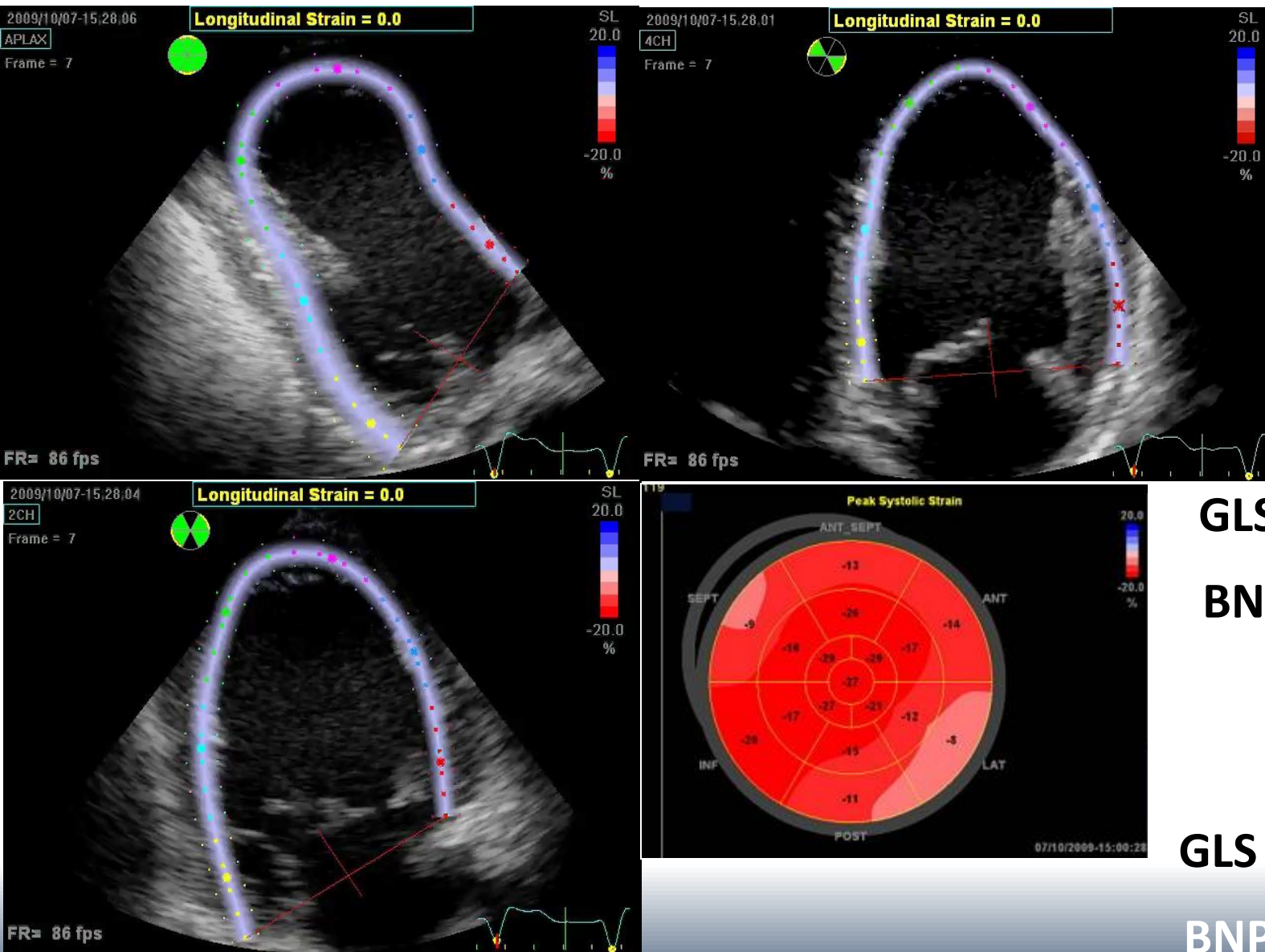
HR=115

HR=153

Echo Data

	Rest	Low Exercise	Peak Exercise
ERO _{PISA}	24 mm ²	30 mm ²	49 mm ²
ERO _{Doppler}	30 mm ²	34 mm ²	56 mm ²
RV _{PISA}	43 ml	55 ml	74 ml
RV _{Doppler}	55 ml	62 ml	80 ml
Average ERO	27 mm ²	32 mm ²	52.5 mm ²
Average RV	49 ml	58.5 ml	77 ml
SPAP	35 mmHg	55 mmHg	76 mmHg
LVEF _{Simpson}	63 %	65 %	76 %

Exercise LV Function



$GLS_{rest} = -24.3\%$

BNP: 45pg/mL

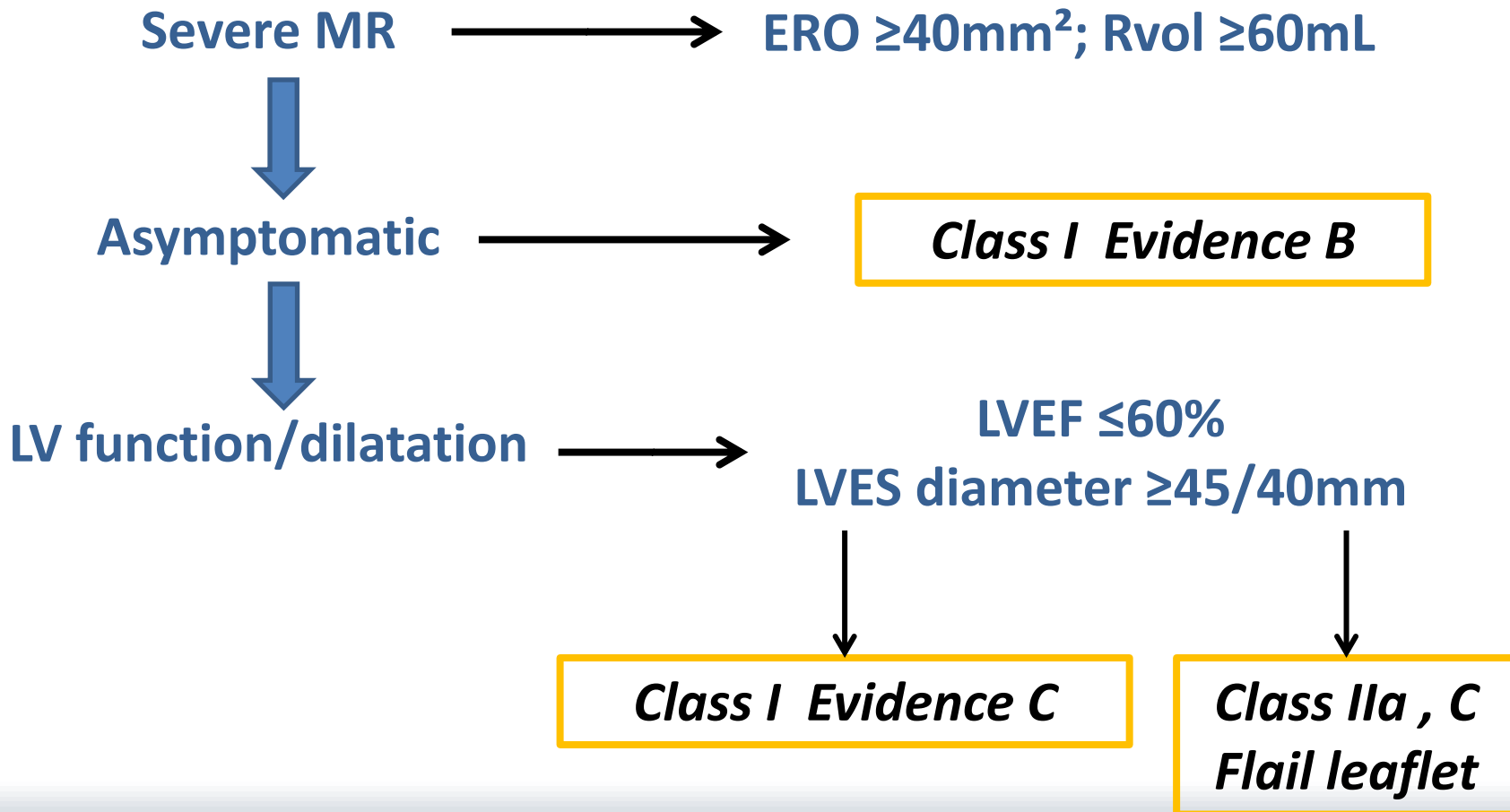


$GLS_{exercise} = -18\%$

BNP: 112pg/mL

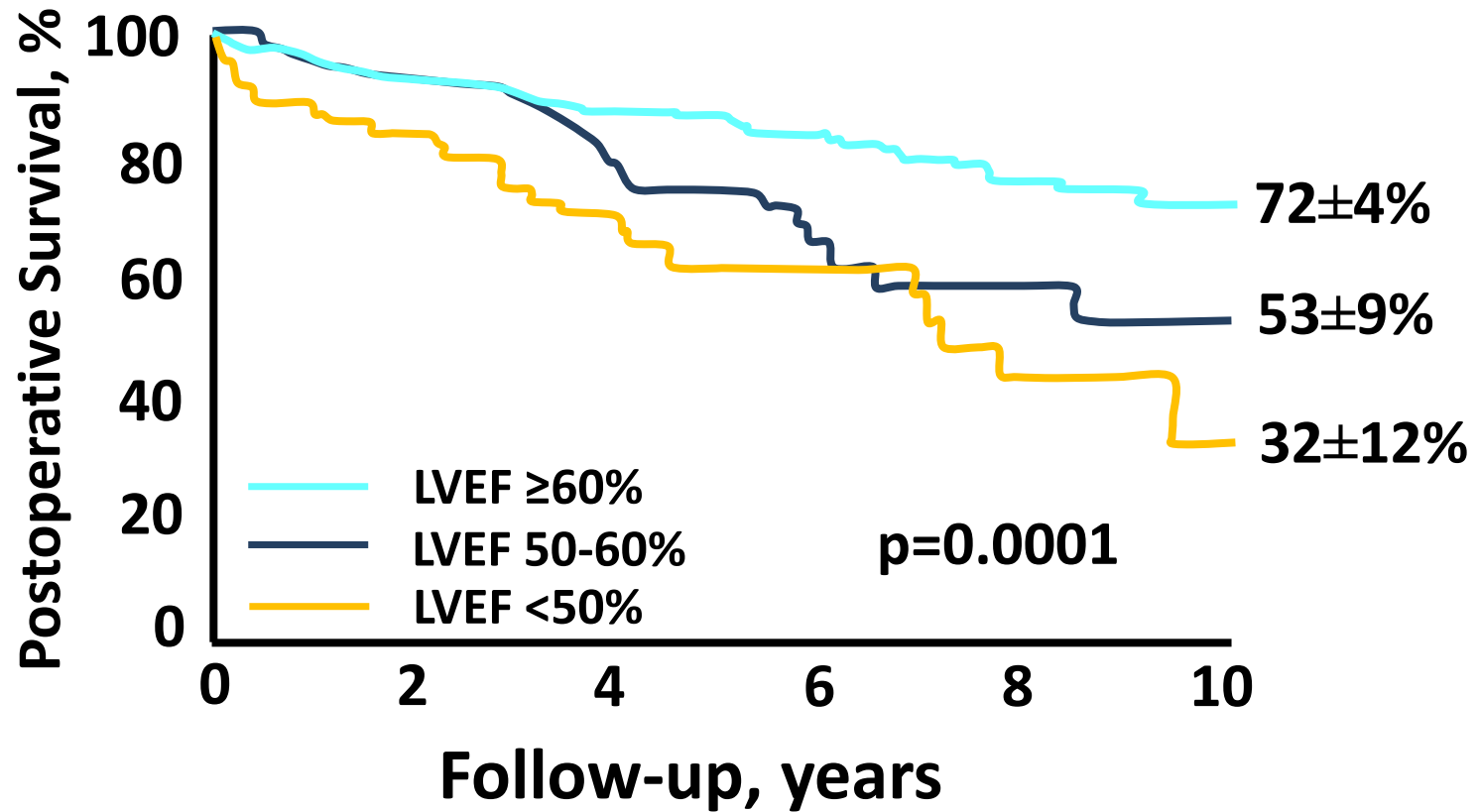
Indication for Surgery: ESC Guidelines

3 Steps of Evaluation



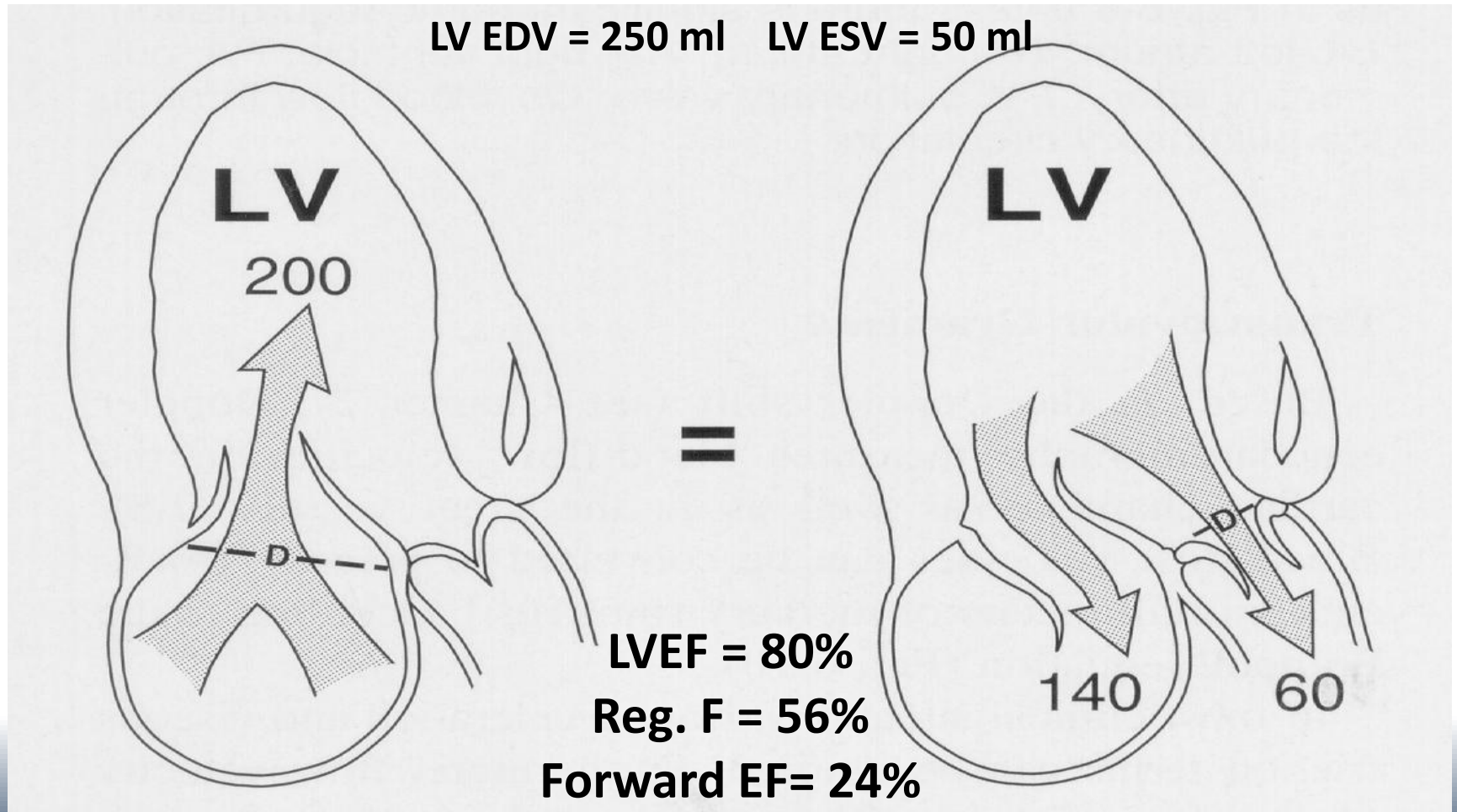
Impact of LVEF on Postoperative Outcome

LVEF $\geq 60\%$ $\Rightarrow$ Excellent survival as compared to reference population



LVEF in Patients with MR

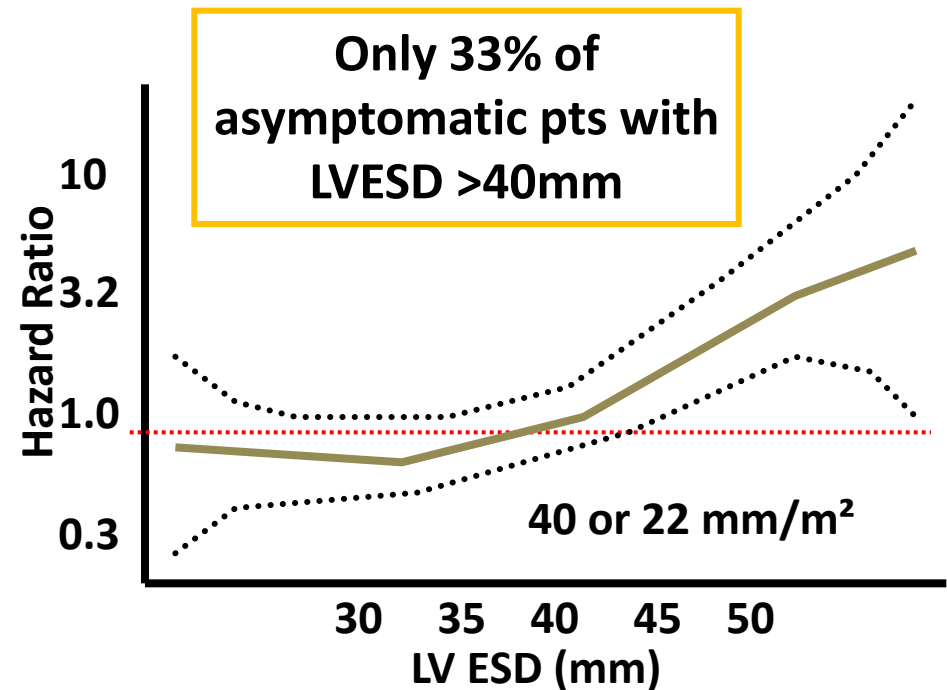
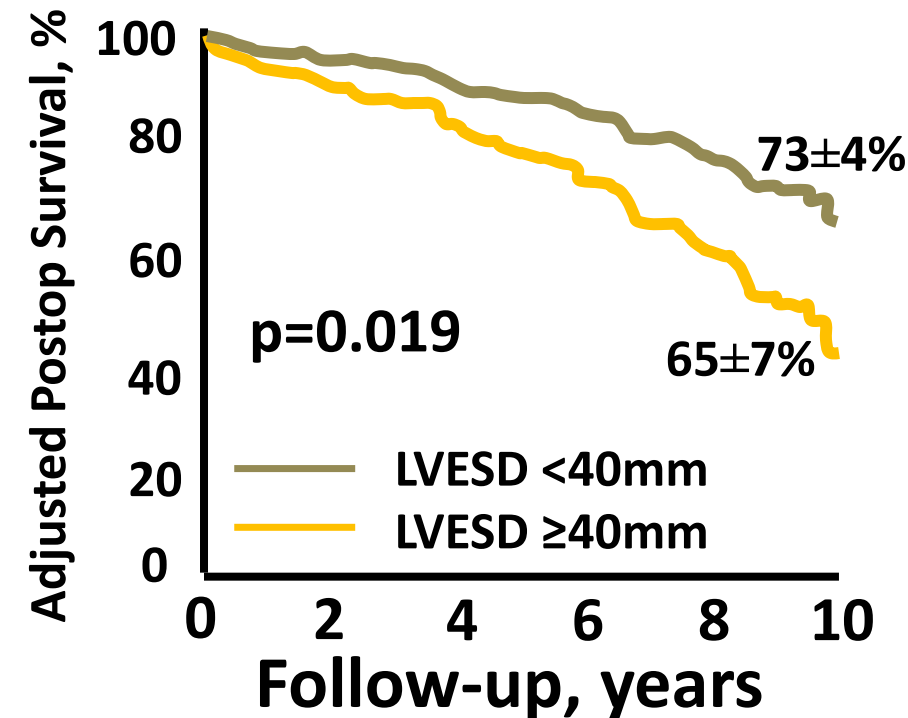
LVEF = Regurgitant fraction + Forward ejection fraction



Impact of LV Dilatation on Survival

MIDA registry

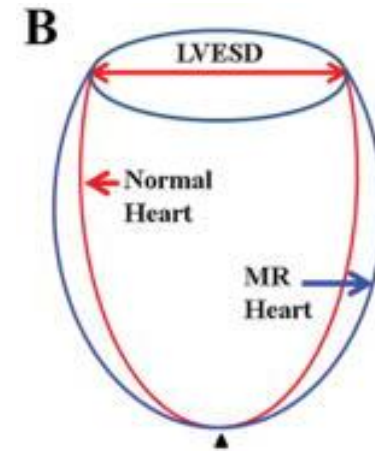
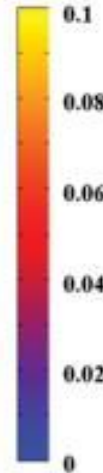
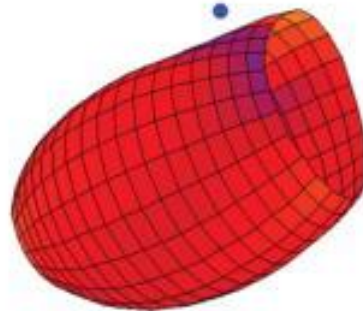
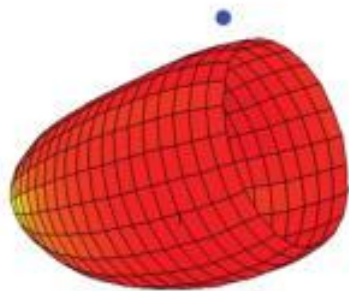
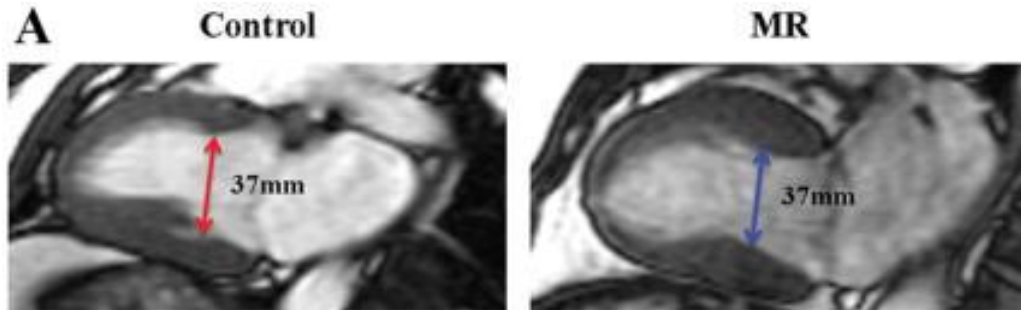
739 patients with flail leaflet, follow-up: 6.1 ± 3.7 years



LV Remodeling in Primary MR

n=94 MR patients, LVEF>60%, LVES d<40mm

Control group: n=51

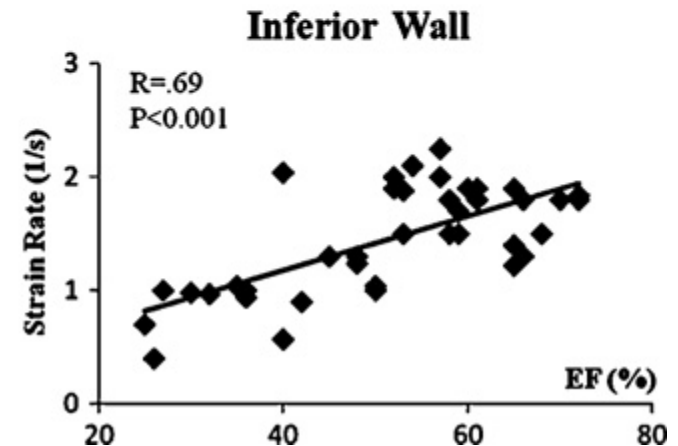
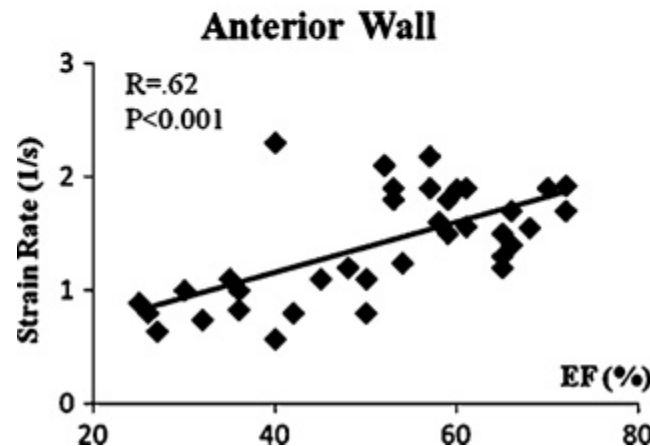
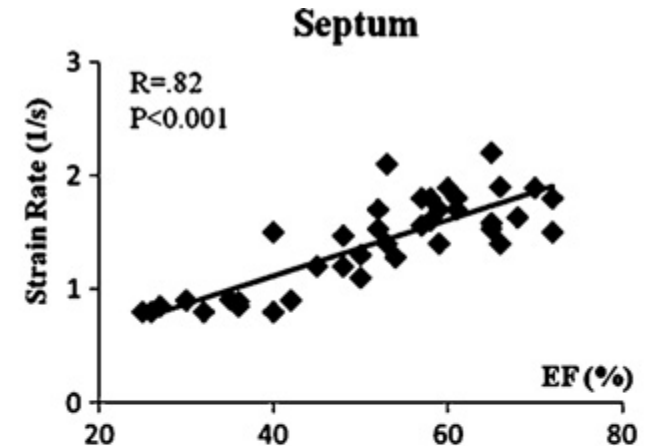
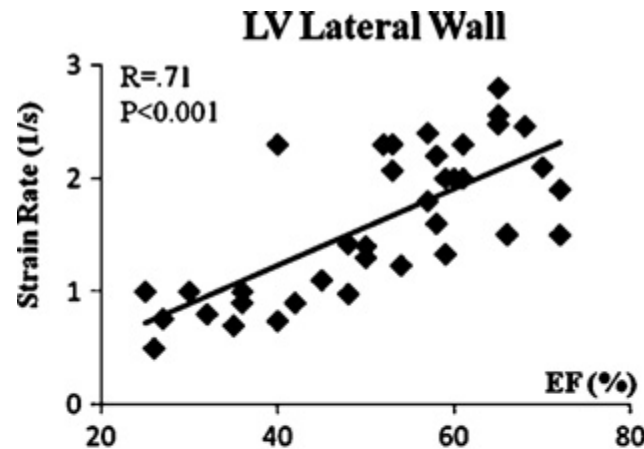


	Control (n=51)	LVES Dimension <37 mm (n=48)
LVES length, cm	6.81 ± 0.86	6.73 ± 0.87
LVES sphericity index	1.95 ± 0.26	1.82 ± 0.23*
LVES volume index, mL/m ²	25 ± 6	34 ± 9*
2D LV apex curvature, 1/cm ±	2.93 ± 1.13	1.89 ± 0.48*

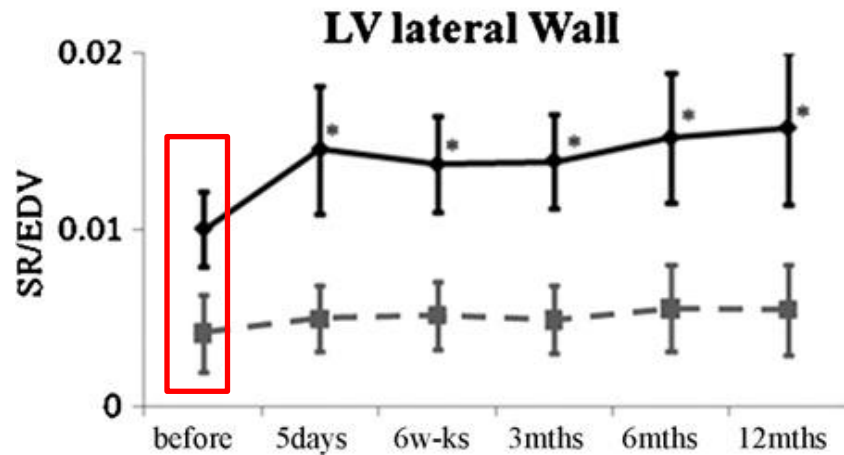
Predictors of Postoperative LV Systolic Dysfunction

Preoperative useful of LV Longitudinal function

- 62 chronic severe organic MR
- 75% of NYHA class I-II
- MV repair
- 2 groups (Postop LVEF >50%)



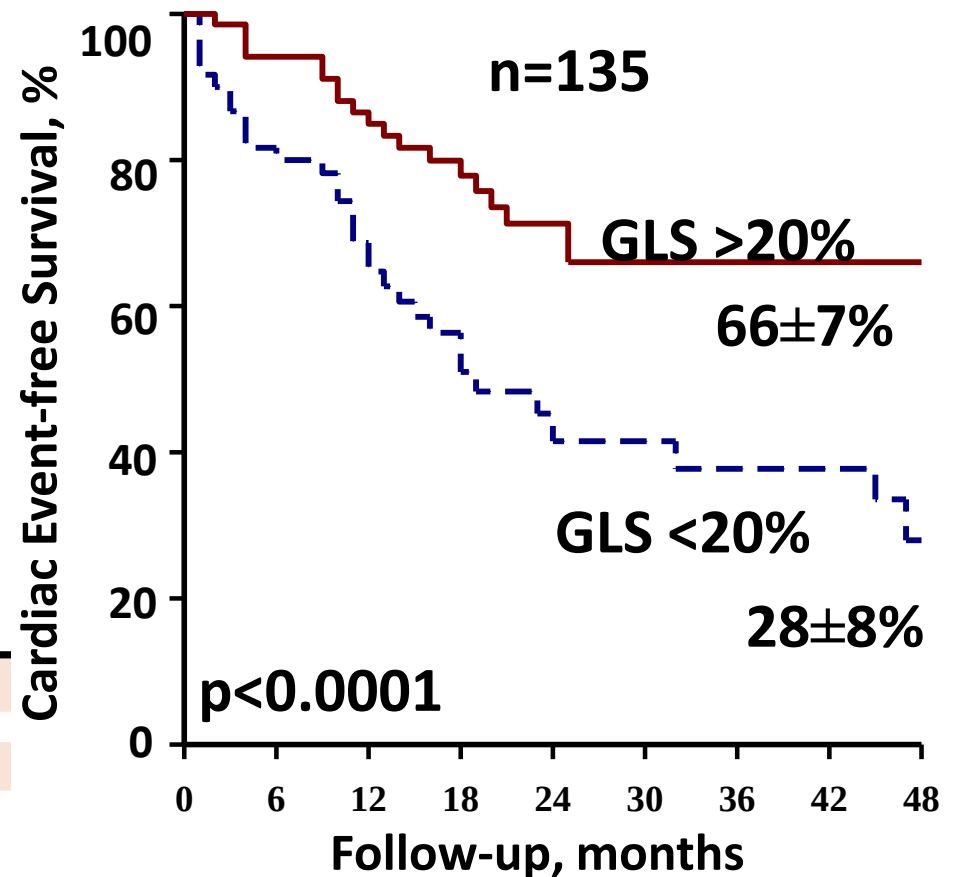
LV Longitudinal Function and Outcome



Marciniak et al. Eur JTCS, 2011

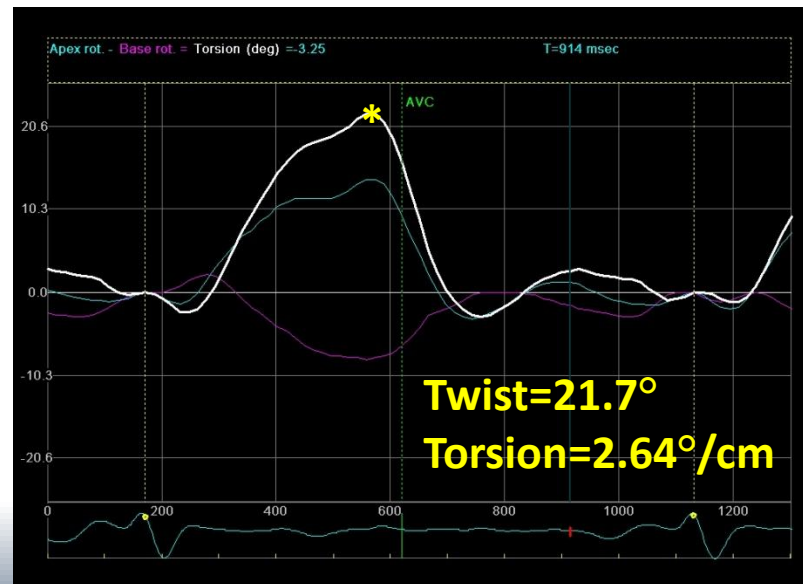
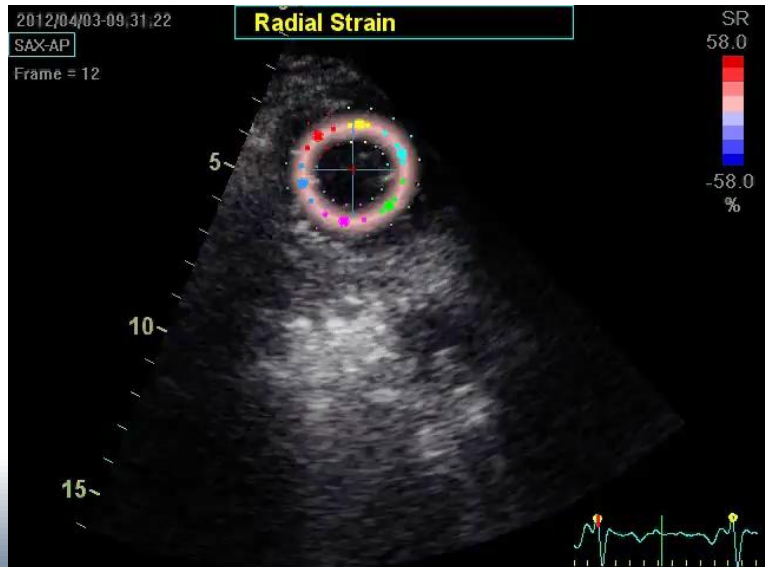
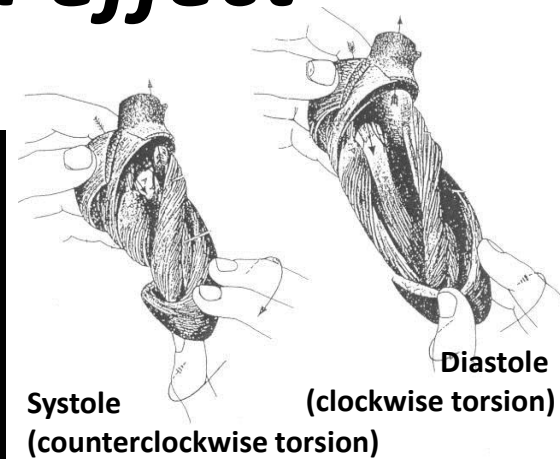
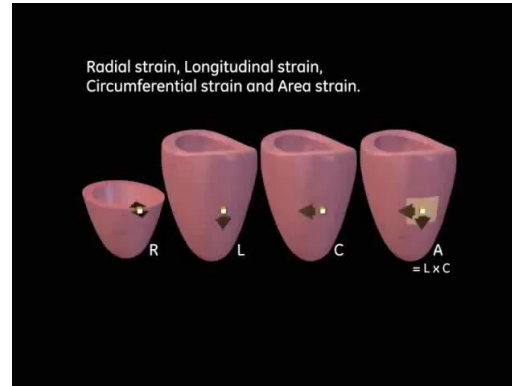
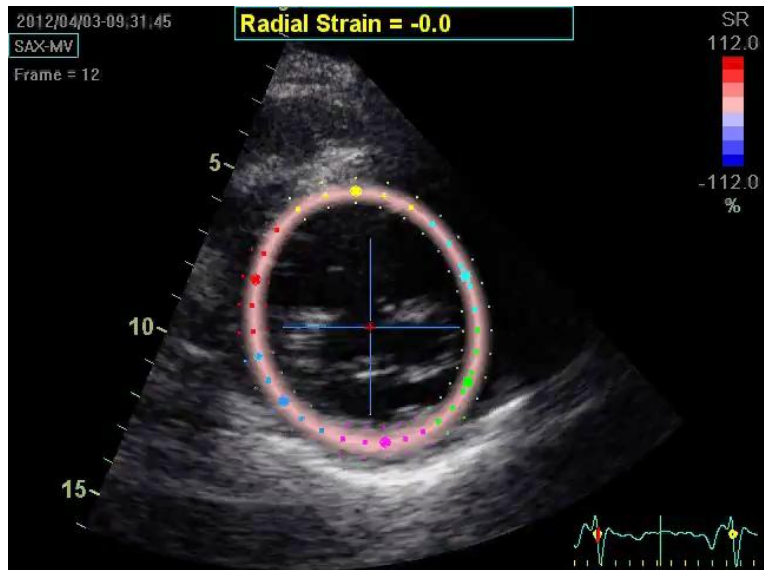
Parameter	Threshold value	Area under the curve	Sensitivity	Specificity
LA volume (mL/m ²)	60	0.66	60%	78%
LVEDD (mm/m ²)	22	0.71	53%	78%
sPAP (mm Hg)	50	0.65	27%	93%
LV GLS (%)	-18	0.76	53%	79%

n=88, 17% of postop LV dysfunction at 6-month (82% of MVRp)



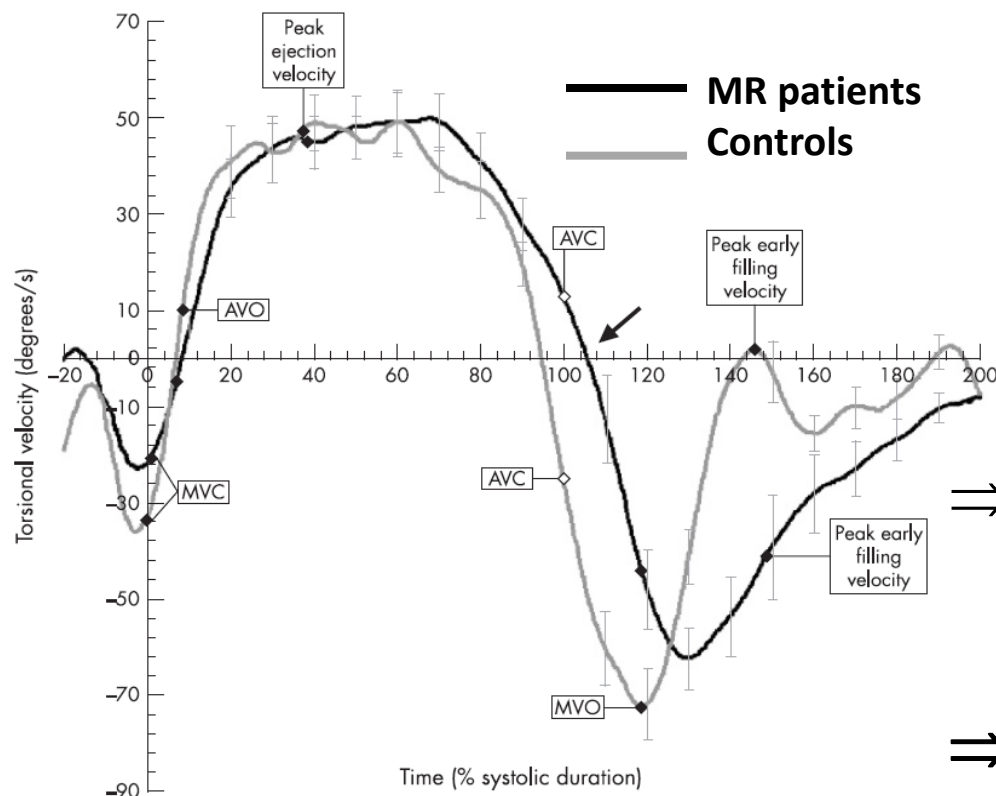
Adjusted HR=3.3 (1.1-9.9) p=0.03

LV Torsion: The floorcloth effect



Impact of MR on LV Torsion

- 35 patients with chronic organic MR (moderate to severe) compared to 30 age-matched healthy controls



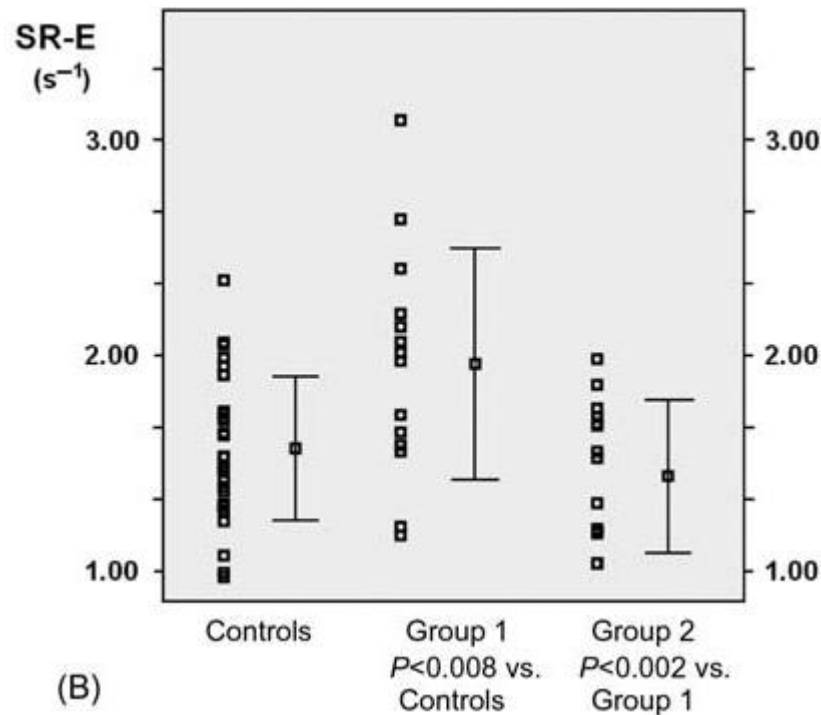
Torsional variable	LV indices	Correlation
Peak systolic torsion	LVIDs	-0.40
	LVEF	0.38
	Mitral regurgitant volume	<u>-0.345</u>
	Systolic sphericity index	-0.40
	LV mass index	-0.42
Peak untwisting velocity	LVIDs	-0.44
	Mitral regurgitant volume	<u>-0.38</u>
Time to onset of untwisting	LVIDd	0.368
	Mitral regurgitant volume	<u>0.43</u>
Time to peak untwisting velocity	Mitral regurgitant volume	<u>0.511</u>

⇒ Chronic MR results in **significant delay and slowing** of LV untwisting

⇒ MR severity is correlated with **torsional parameters**: Early LV dysfunction?

Impact of MR on LV Torsion: Biphasic Pattern

	Controls (n = 41)	Mild MR (n = 22)	Moderate MR (n = 12)	Severe MR (n = 9)	ANOVA P-value
Endocardial rotation					
ROT-API (°)	6.58 ± 3.17***	7.47 ± 3.11	10.77 ± 4.32**	6.11 ± 4.39*	0.003
ROT-BAS (°)	-6.06 ± 2.91	-7.81 ± 2.76	-7.07 ± 2.50	-5.33 ± 4.64	0.1
Twist (base-apex) (°)	12.65 ± 5.19	15.28 ± 4.08	17.83 ± 5.20 [‡]	11.43 ± 6.09 [†]	0.005
Torsion (°/cm)	1.6 ± 0.71	1.83 ± 0.62	2.26 ± 0.66 [‡]	1.39 ± 0.80 [‡]	0.015
LVEF, %	65±5	63±3	62±3	65±5	NS



(B)

- **Severe MR** and normal LV systolic function demonstrated the **lowest LV rotational profile**: early subclinical LV systolic dysfunction
- **Moderate MR** revealed the **highest rotational profile**: hyperdynamic or supranormal LV systolic function
- Biphasic pattern also in **LV diastolic function**?

Moustafa et al. Eur J Echo, 2011

Borg et al. Eur J Echo, 2010

LV Longitudinal Function and Contractile Reserve

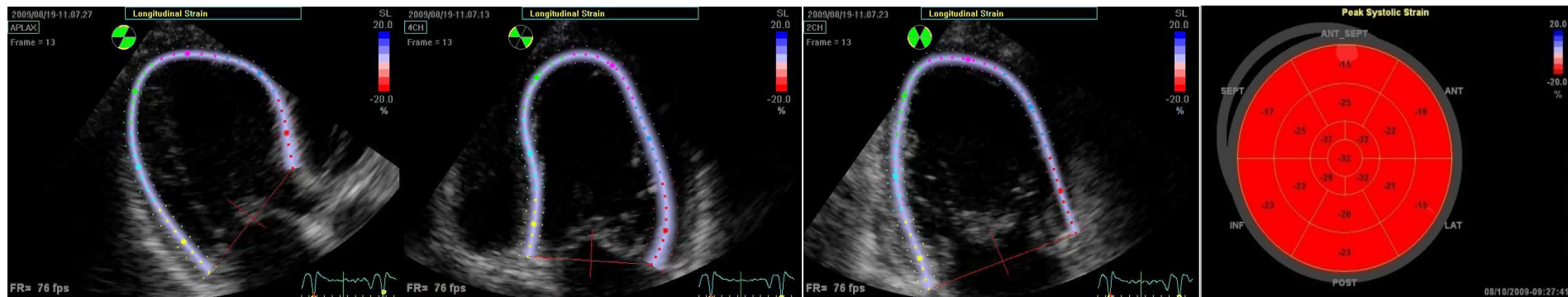
Rest

PSLA view

4ch view

2ch view

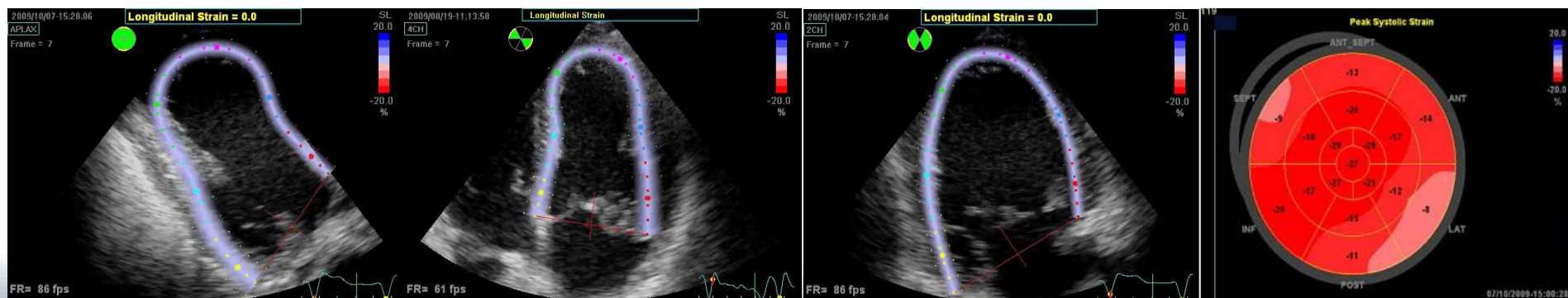
GLS= -24.3%



EDV=140ml, ESV=51ml LVEF= 64%

Exercise

GLS = -18%



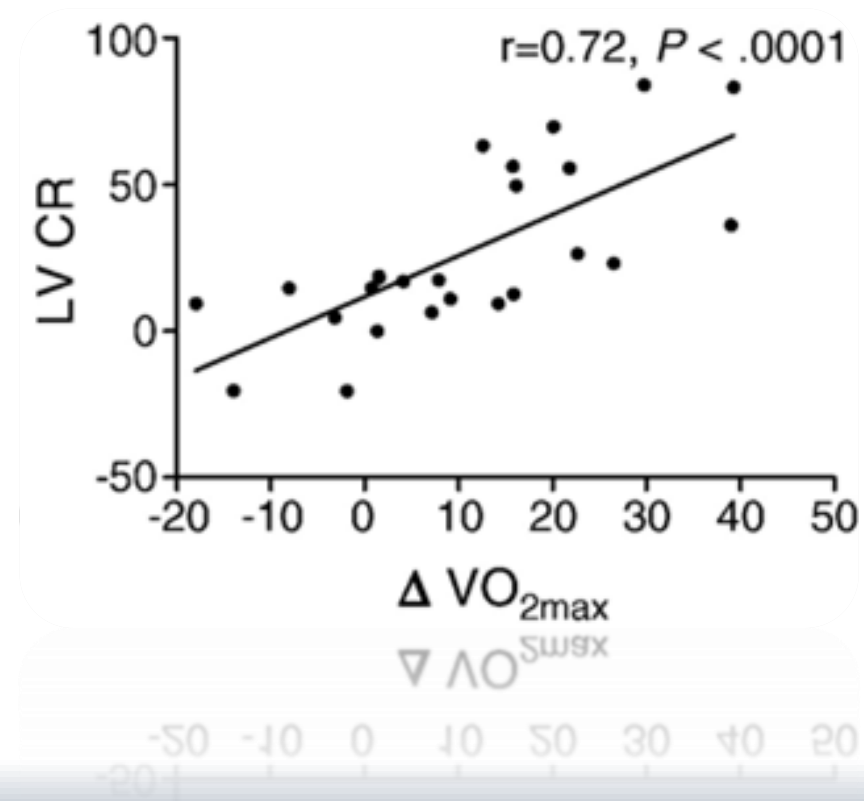
EDV=153ml, ESV=36ml LVEF= 76%

Asymptomatic MR and LV Contractile Reserve

LV contractile reserve is the best predictor of postop. LV systolic dysfunction and exercise capacity

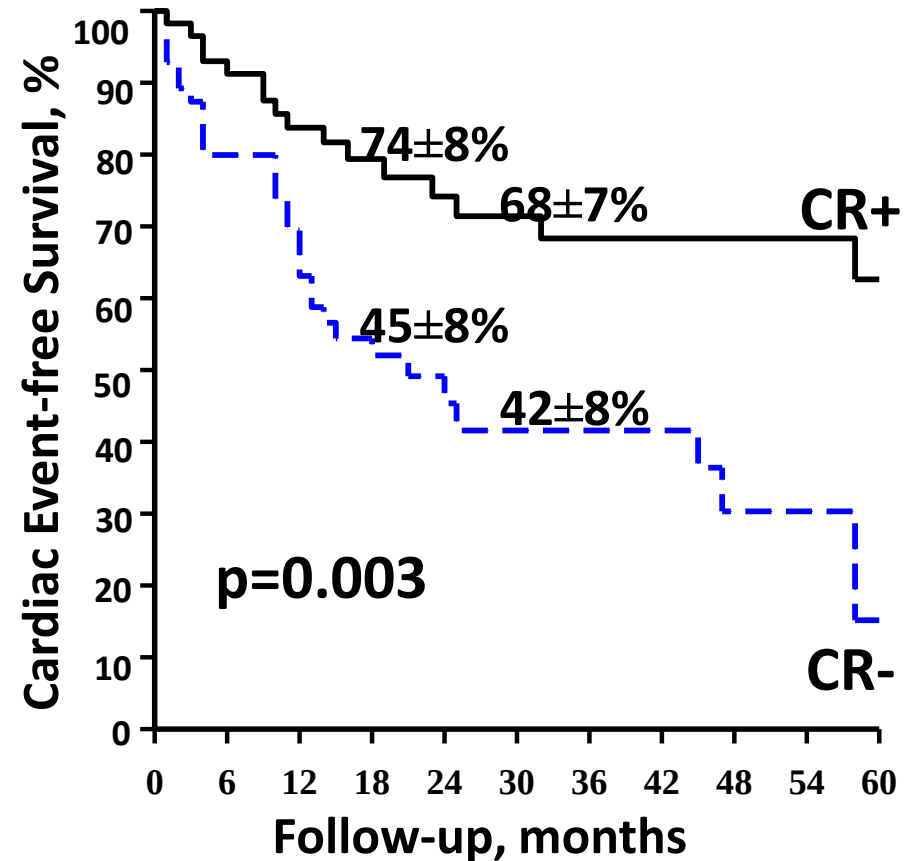
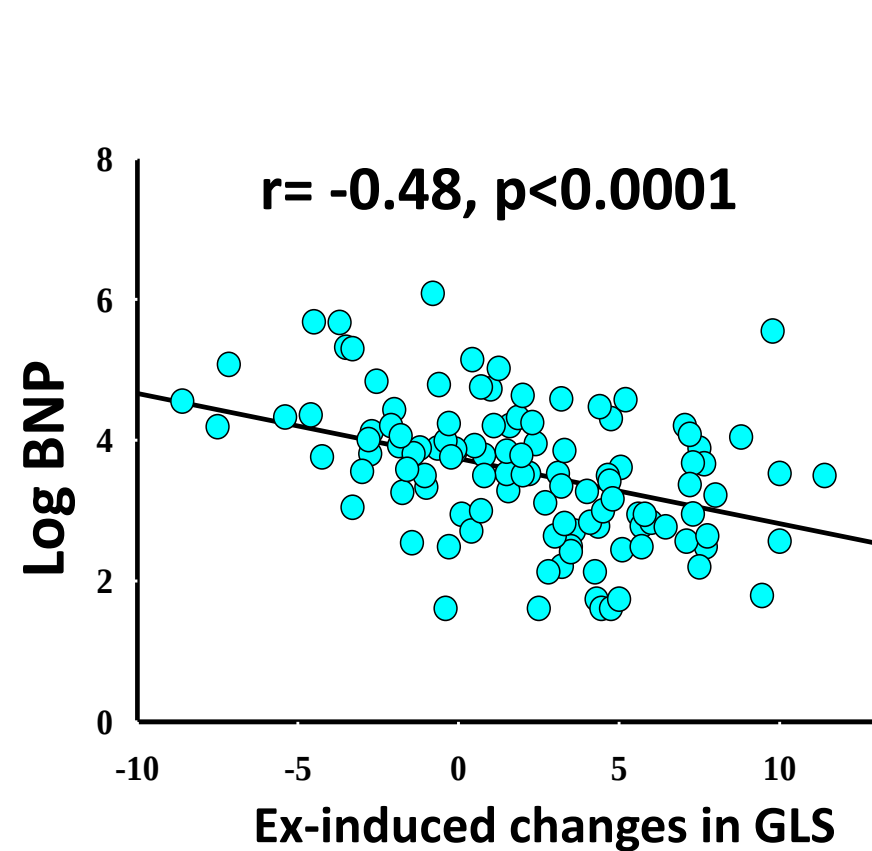
Data at inclusion	Cutoff value	AUC	Sensitivity	Specificity
Rest				
Left atrial volume (ml)	78	0.79	63.6%	86.7%
LV ejection fraction	67%	0.48	92.3%	29.4%
GLS	18.1%	0.69	76.9%	76.5%
Exercise				
LV ejection fraction	70.4%	0.72	69.2%	70.4%
GLS	18.5%	0.82	84.6%	76.5%
Exercise-induced changes				
LV ejection fraction	6.6%	0.74	92.3%	52.9%
GLS	1.9%	0.80	92.3%	73.6%

GLS	1.9%	0.80	92.3%	73.6%
LV ejection fraction	6.6%	0.74	92.3%	52.9%
Exercise-induced changes				



LV Contractile Reserve: BNP and Outcome

Exercise-induced changes in GLS



Adjusted HR=2 (1.0-4.1) $p=0.04$

Take Home Messages!

- In asymptomatic patients with severe MR, **the evaluation of LV geometry and function**, as recommended by current guidelines, is **mandatory**
- Nevertheless, in the vast majority of cases, **more advanced evaluation** of patients provides **incremental prognostic value**
- In this regard, **LV longitudinal function** assessment may be useful in asymptomatic MR with no LV dysfunction/dilatation
- Finally, **stress echocardiography** may be useful to identify absence of LV contractile reserve and **to unmask** early and latent LV dysfunction

*Thank you for your
attention.*



Fonds Léon Fredericq

*“In these matters the only certainty is
that nothing is certain.”*

Pliny The Elder, 23 AD-79 AD



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