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Diastolic Heart Failure and Cardiac Amyloidosis

-The Forgotten Piece of the Heart Failure Story

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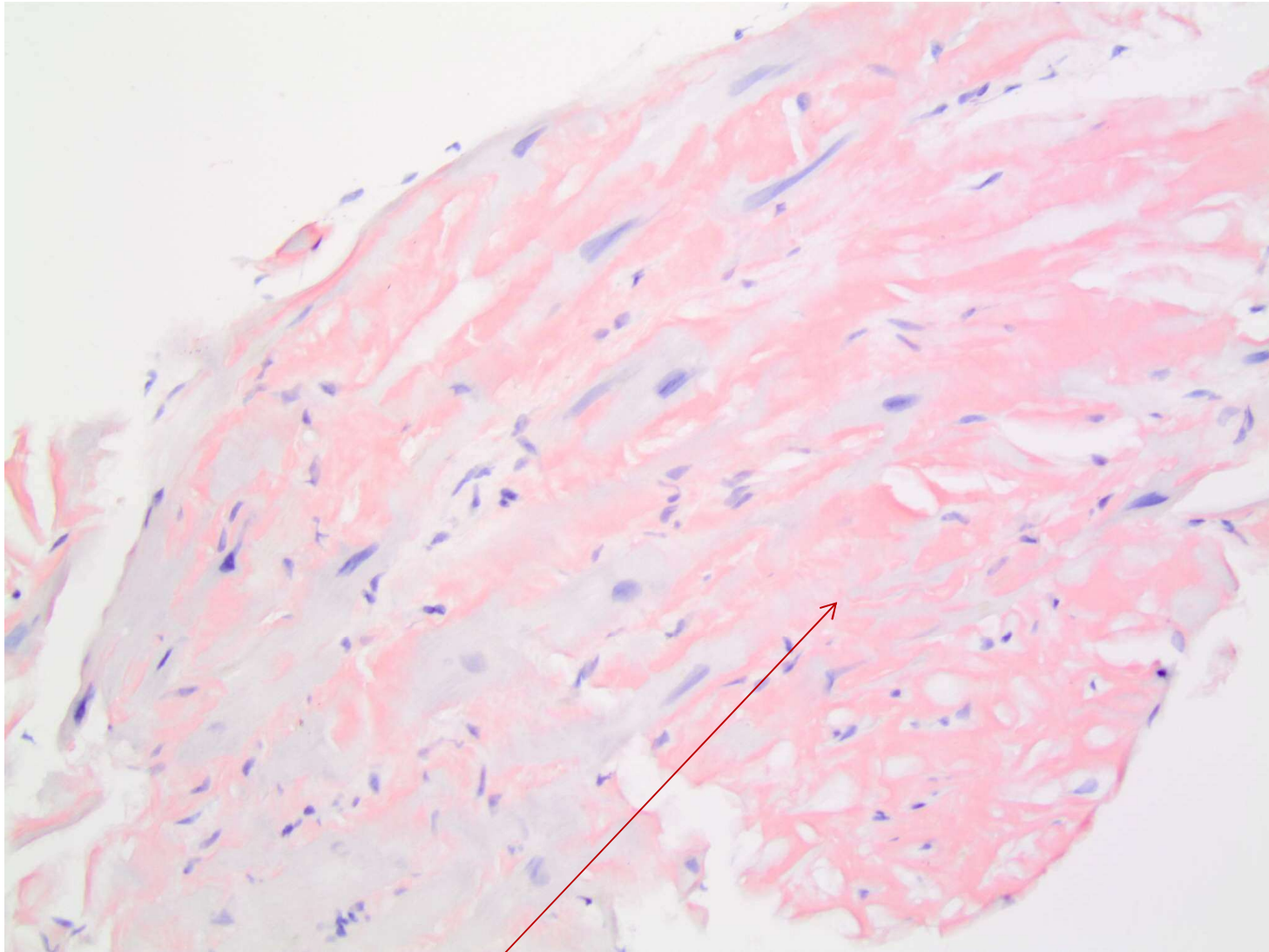
- Research funding
 - Ionis
 - Eidos
- I will discuss about novel and investigational treatments for transthyretin cardiac amyloidosis

Amyloidosis

- Group of protein-folding disorders in which ≥ 1 organ is infiltrated by proteinaceous deposits known as amyloid
- More than 30 different precursor proteins have the propensity to form amyloid fibrils.
- Common precursor proteins that deposit in the heart are
 - Immunoglobulin light chain proteins
 - Immunoglobulin heavy chain proteins
 - Transthyretin
 - Serum amyloid A
 - Apolipoprotein A I



Congo Red Stain

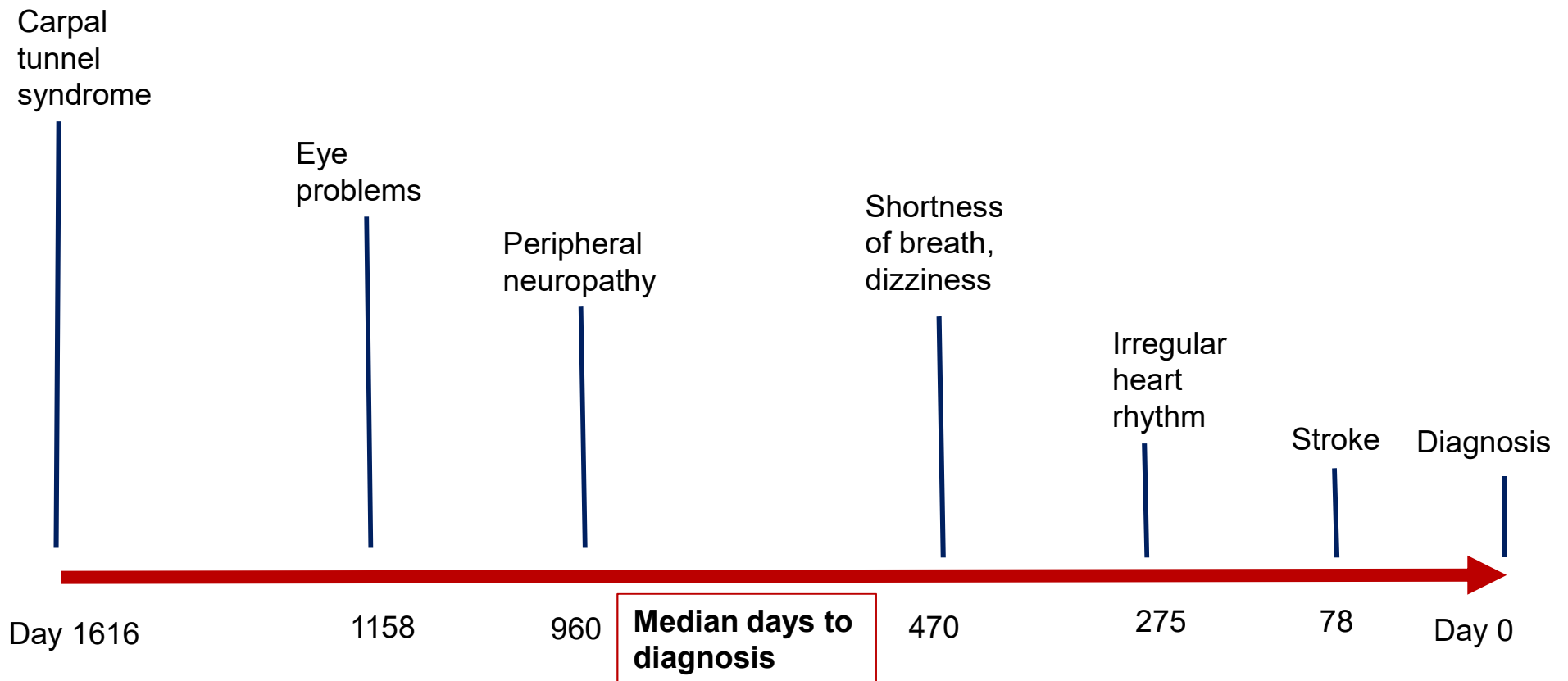


Amorphous, eosinophilic deposits are
congoophilic



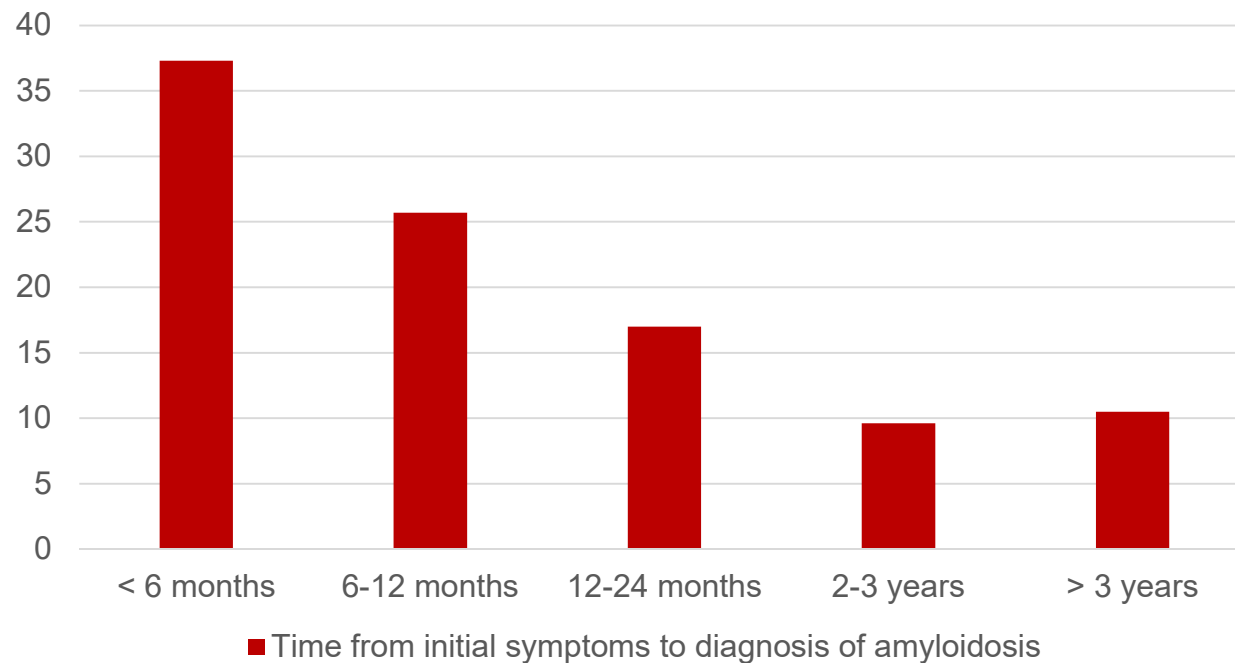
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Amyloidosis – Great pretender

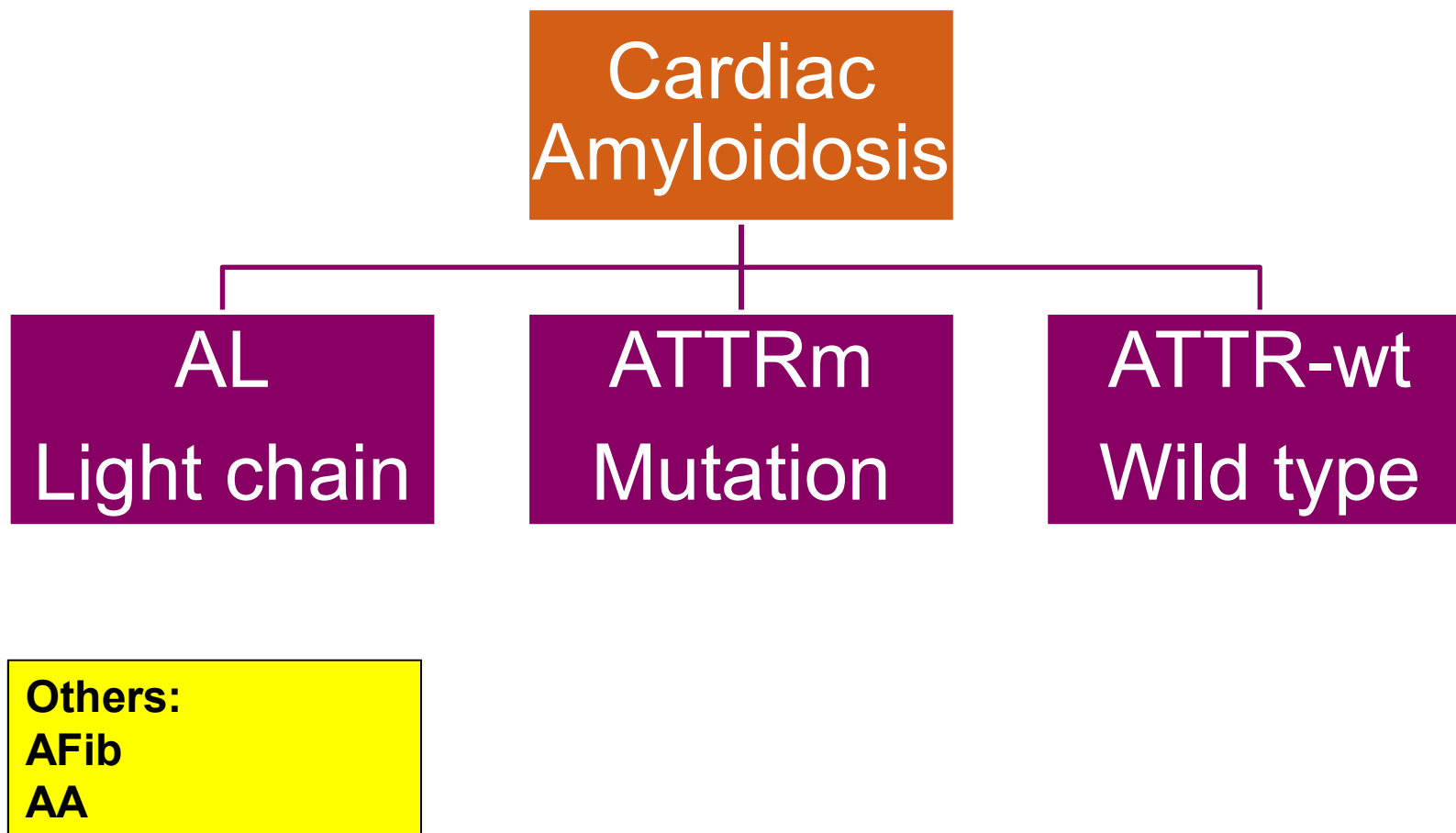


Amyloidosis – Delayed diagnosis

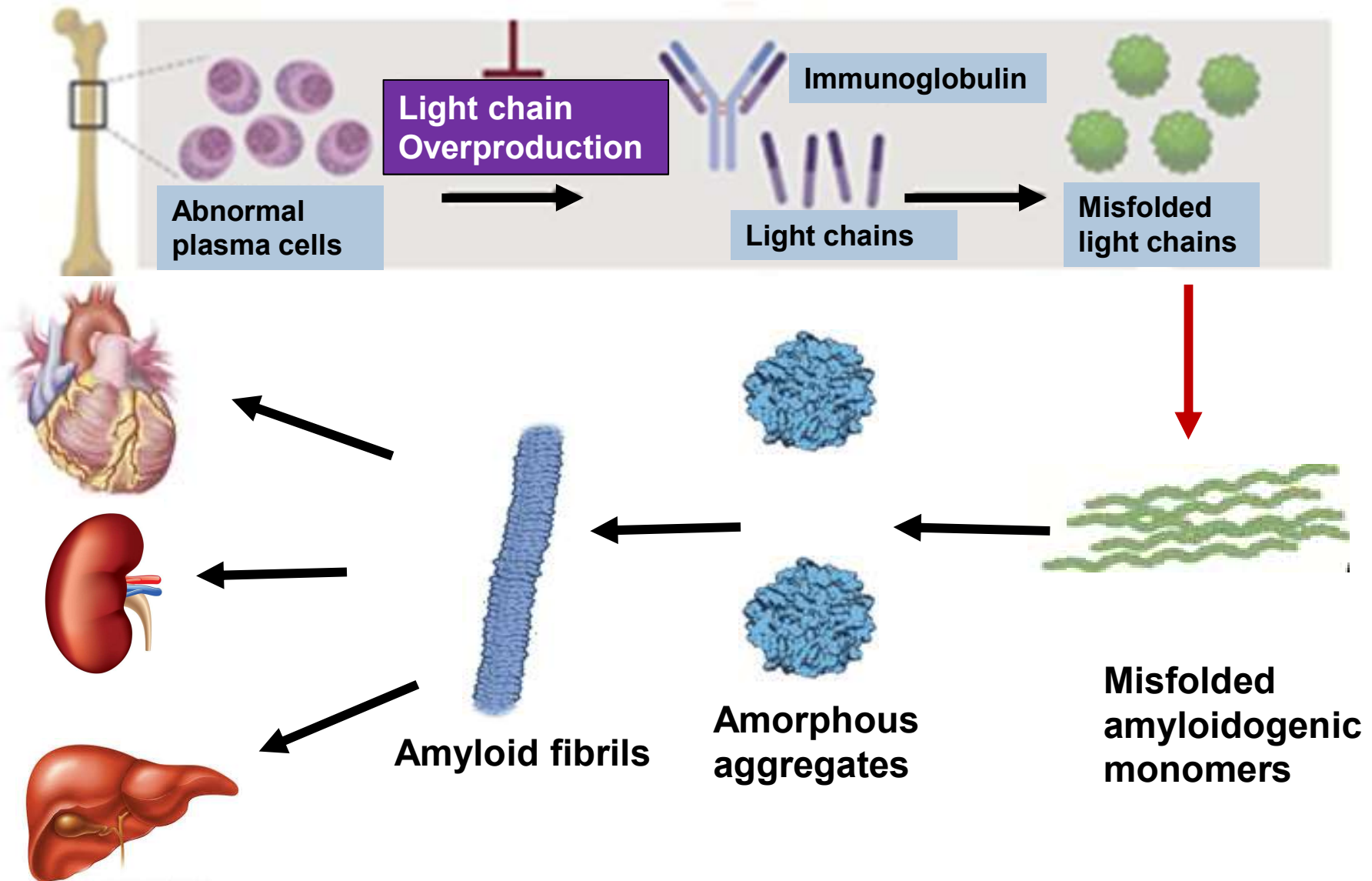
Time from initial symptoms to diagnosis of AL amyloidosis



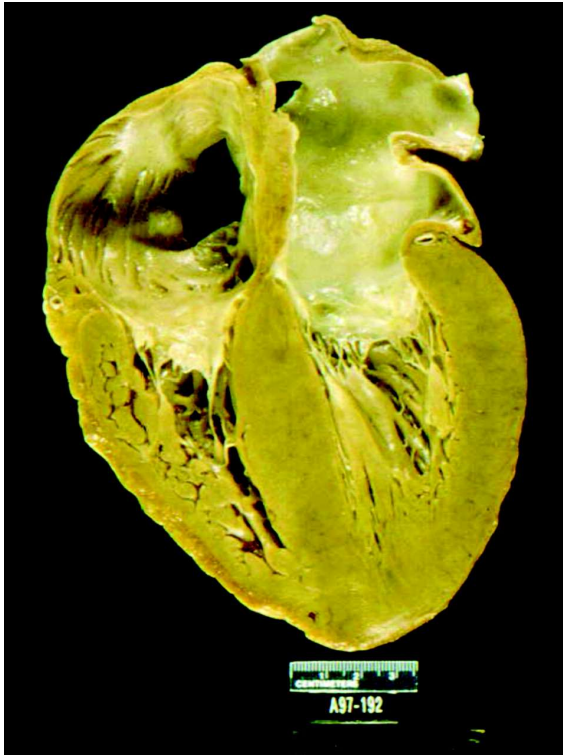
Nomenclature – precursor protein



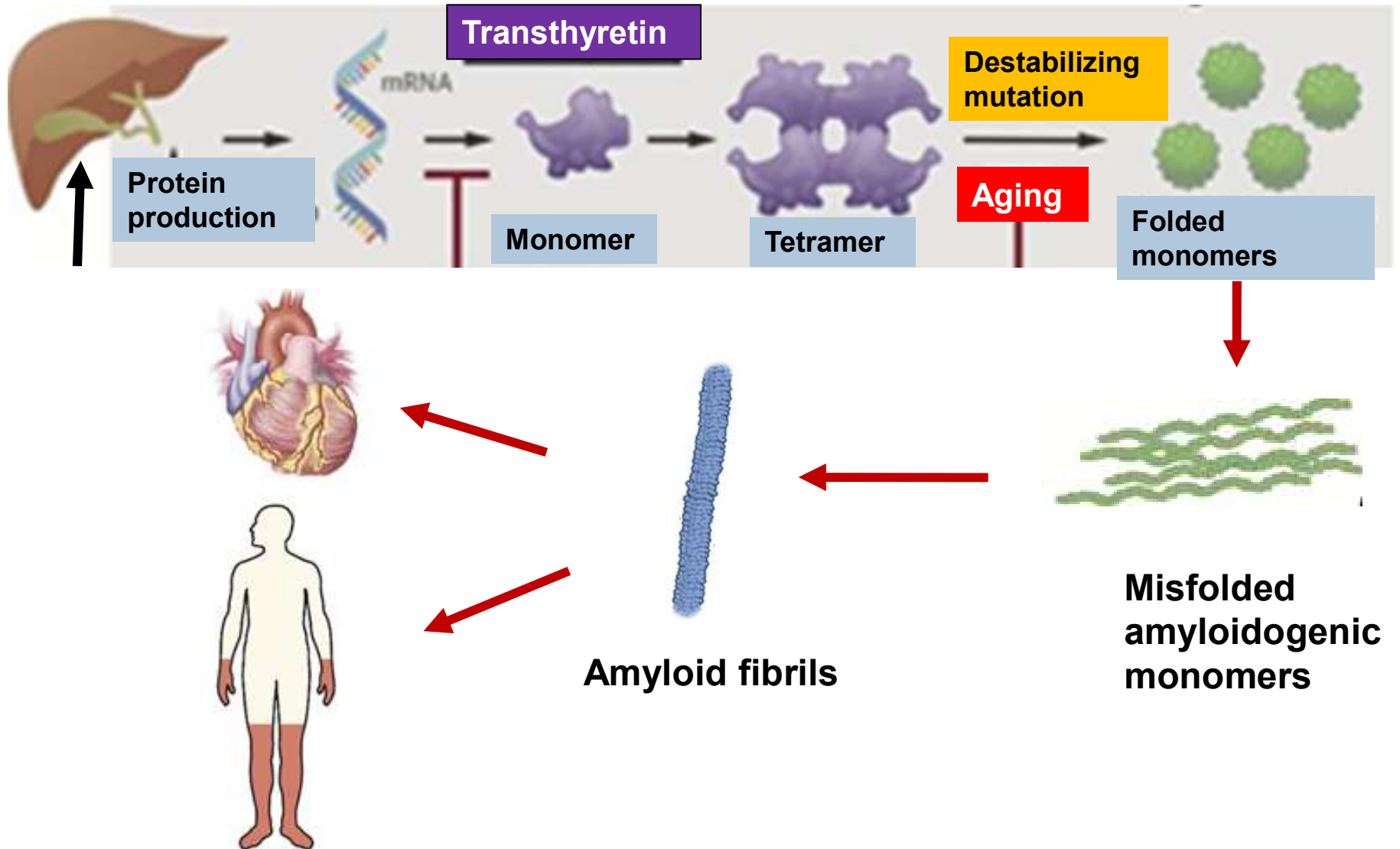
Protein Deposition in AL- Amyloidosis



AL Amyloidosis



Protein Deposition in Transthyretin Amyloid



Transthyretin Mutation

Normal gene

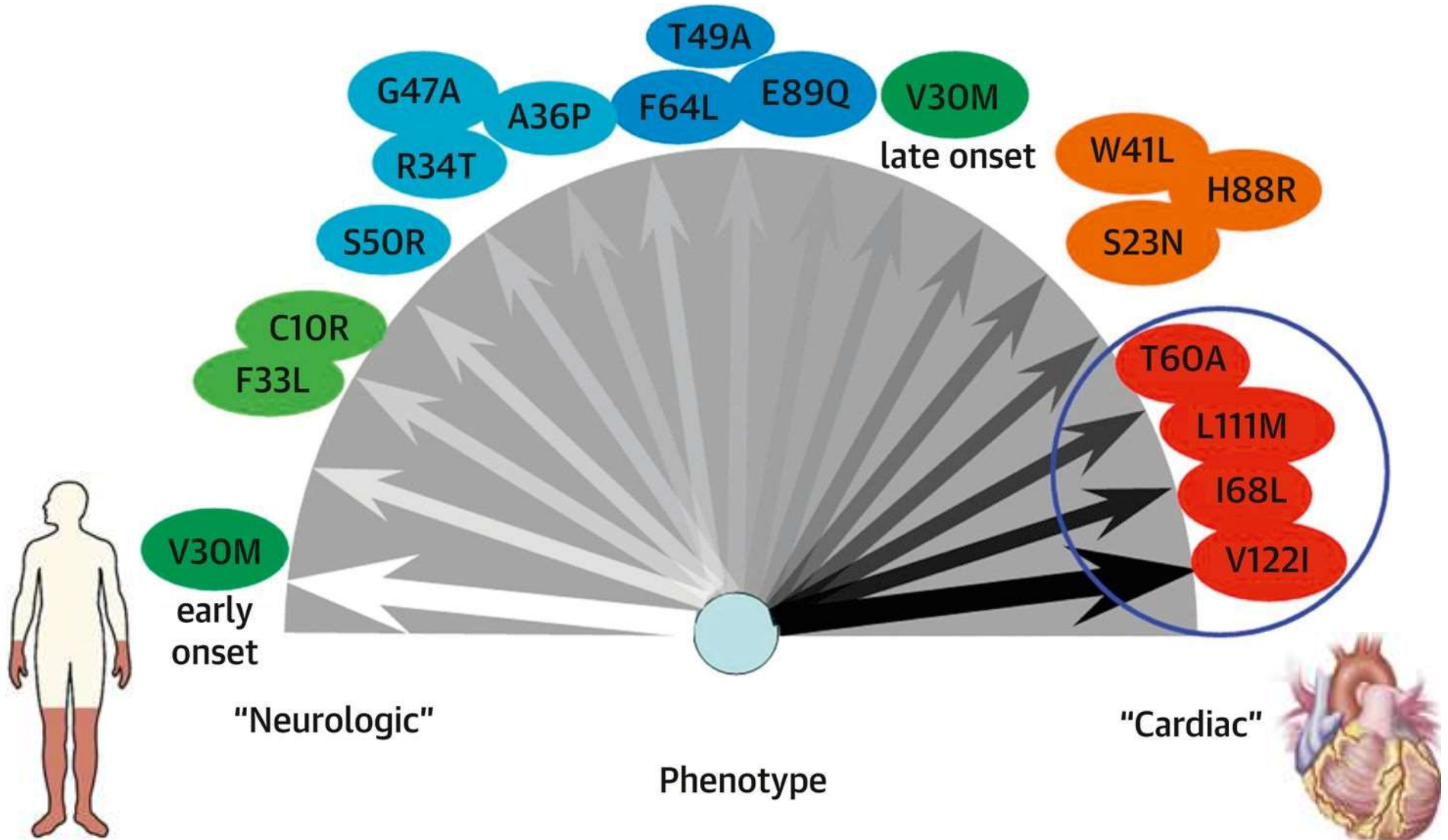


Gene Mutation

**Protective
Mutation**
• T119M

**Destabilizing
Mutation**
• V122I
• V30M
• T60A

Hereditary/mutant TTR Amyloidosis



Wild Type TTR Amyloidosis

Other names

- Senile cardiac amyloidosis
 - Senile systemic amyloidosis
 - Age-related cardiac amyloidosis
 - Abbreviation: ATTR-wt
 - Carpal tunnel syndrome
 - Biceps tendon rupture (Pop-eye sign)
 - Spinal stenosis
- } 2 – 10 years before heart failure symptoms



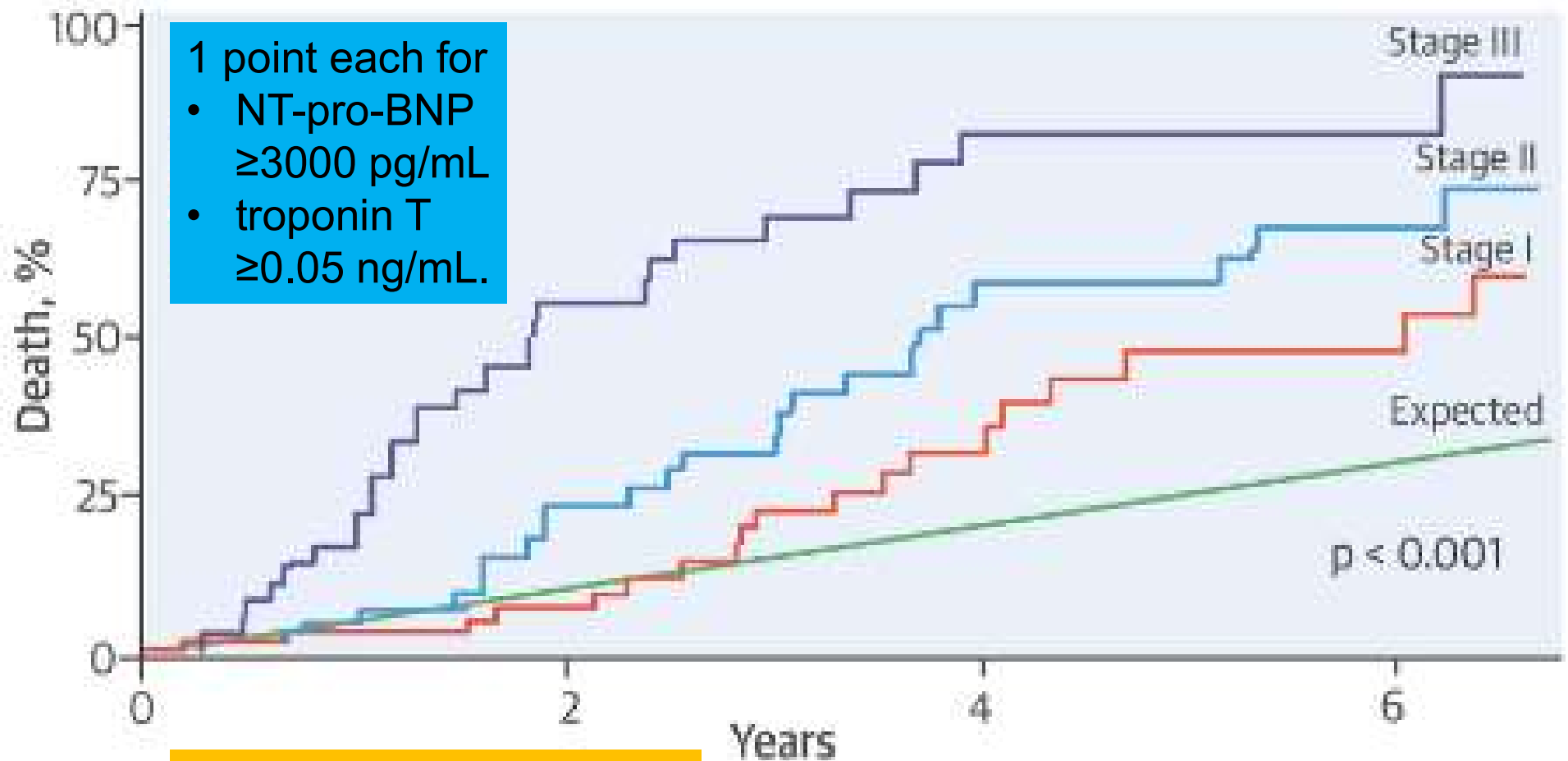
	Hereditary ATTRm	Wild-type ATTR-WT
Age of onset	• Variable (depends on mutation)	• Average 75 yrs.
Gender (M/F)	• 50%/50%	• 95%/5%
Affected organs	• Nerves • Heart • Eyes, GI tract	• Heart
Median survival after diagnosis without treatment	• ~ 2.5 years (Val122Ile)	• ~ 3.5 years

Rudberg FL et al. *JACC* 2019; 73(22):2872-2891.

Cardiac Amyloidosis – Is it rare?

AL-Amyloid	• 10 people per million • ~ 3000 cases per year • 40-50% cardiac involvement
Hereditary ATTRm	• Val122Ile: 3.4% of African Americans • Thr60Ala : ~ 1% Northern Ireland • 25,000 – 120,000 patients in US
Wild type ATTR-wt	• ~ 25% of adults > 85 yrs • 13% heart failure patients > 60 yrs • ~ 1 million patients in US

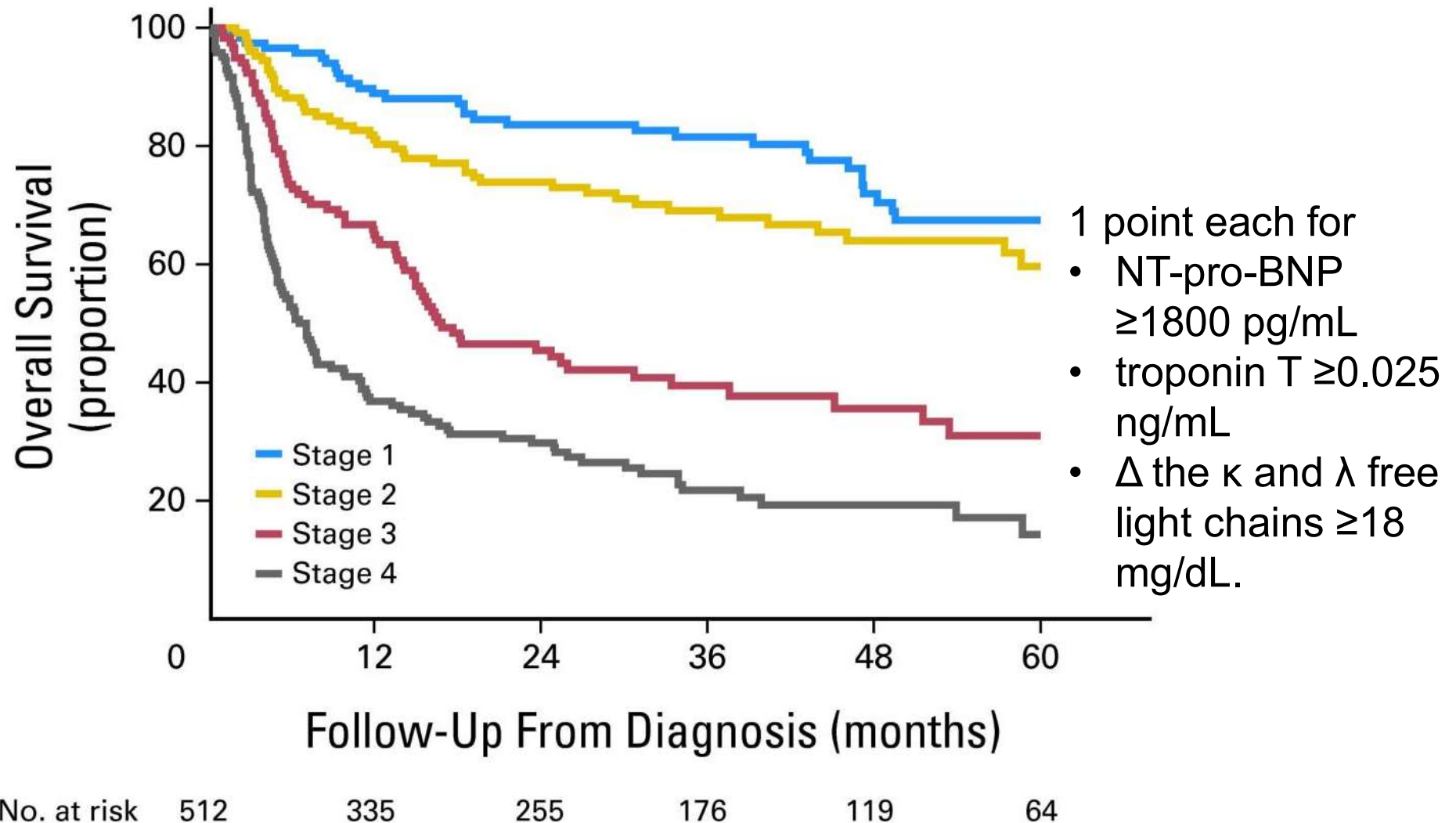
Survival in TTR amyloidosis



Median survival

- Stage 1 – 66 months
- Stage 2 – 42 months
- Stage 3 – 20 months

Survival in AL- amyloidosis



Cardiac Amyloidosis



Falk RH, et al. JACC 2016;68:1323-1341

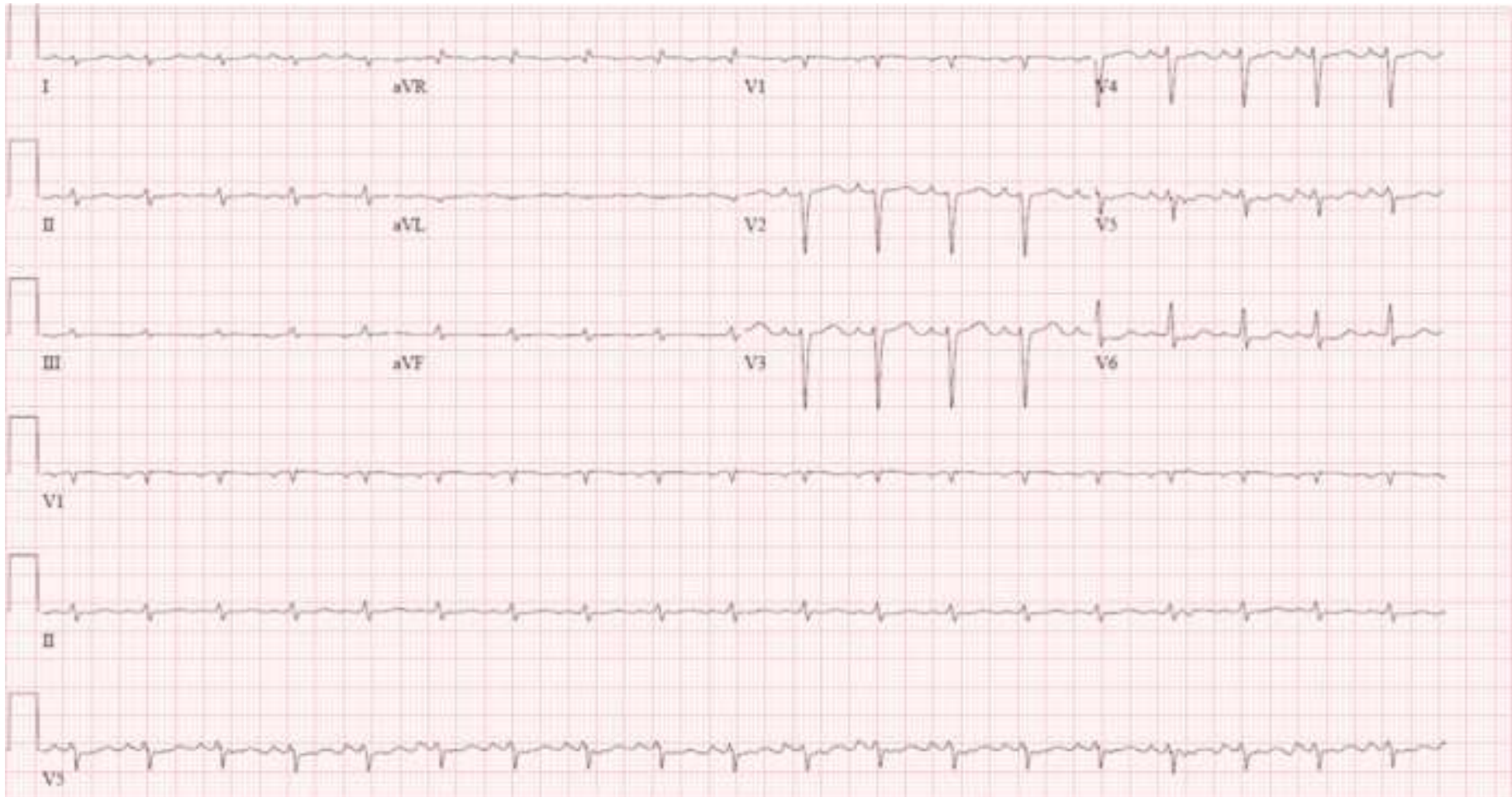
Clinical features

- Common symptoms
 - ☐ exercise intolerance
 - ☐ peripheral edema / leg swelling
 - ☐ Ascites / abdominal bloating
 - ☐ Chest pain / chest fullness
- Exertional syncope / passing out – due to low and fixed cardiac output
- Trouble sleeping
 - ☐ Orthopnea – sleeping with pillows
 - ☐ PND – waking up after 3-4 hours due to shortness of breath
- Dizziness / lightheadedness

When to suspect cardiac amyloidosis

- In any patient with heart failure, unexplained increased thickness of heart muscle and small chambers
- Abnormal ratio between heart thickness and ECG
- Bilateral carpal tunnel syndrome, lumbar spinal stenosis, or spontaneous biceps tendon rupture
- Diffuse late gadolinium enhancement on cardiac MRI
Apical sparing on echocardiogram
- Unexplained neuropathic pain, orthostatic hypotension, and a diagnosis of hypertrophic cardiomyopathy after 60 years
- Intolerance to routine heart failure medications

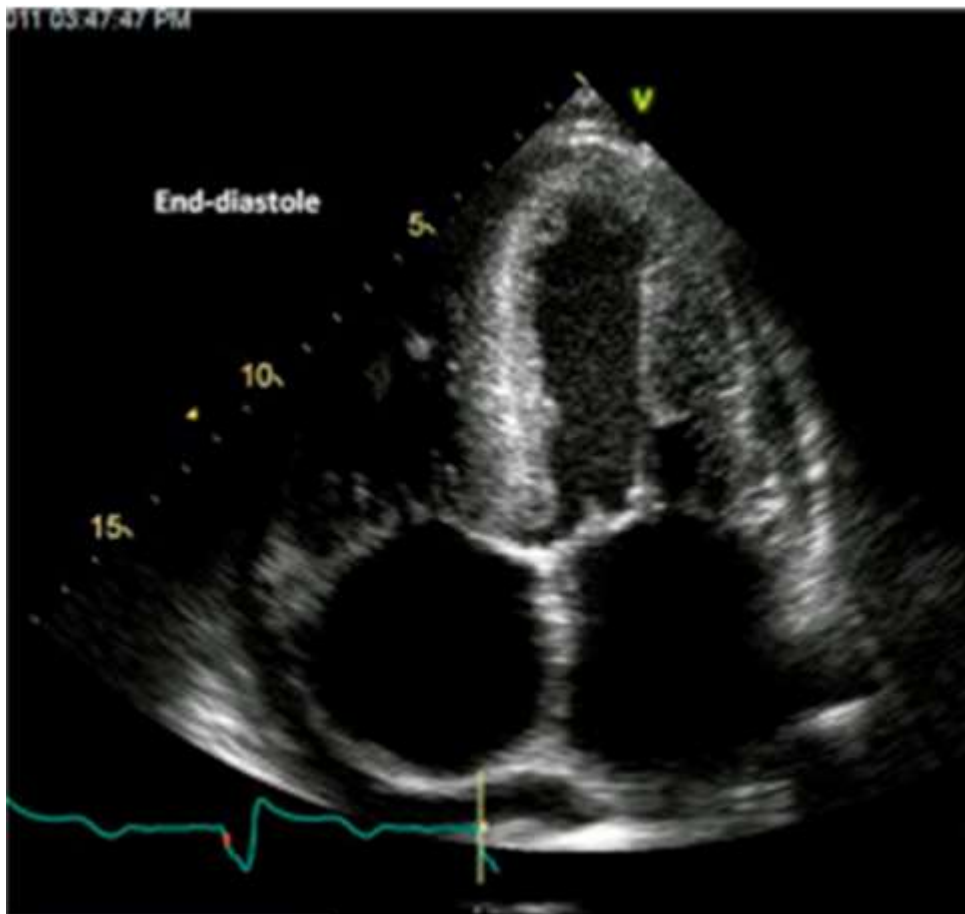
ECG – Cardiac Amyloidosis



Cyrille NB et al. Am J Cardiol. 2014;114:1089–1093

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Echocardiogram



Amyloidosis



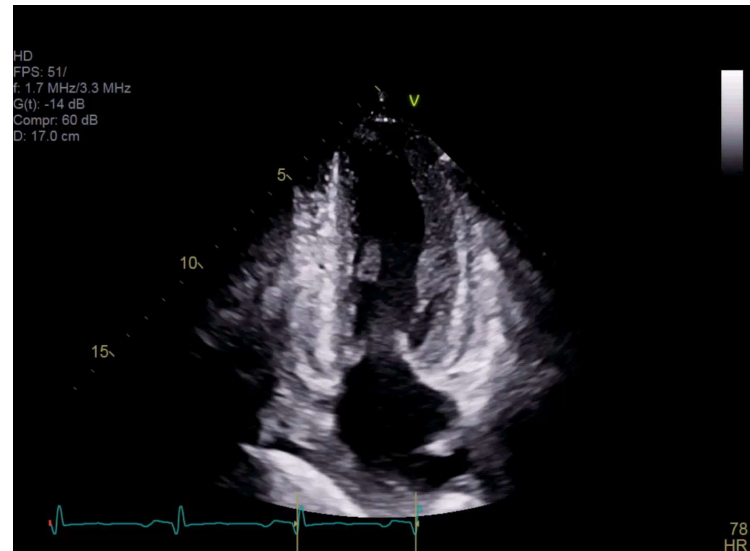
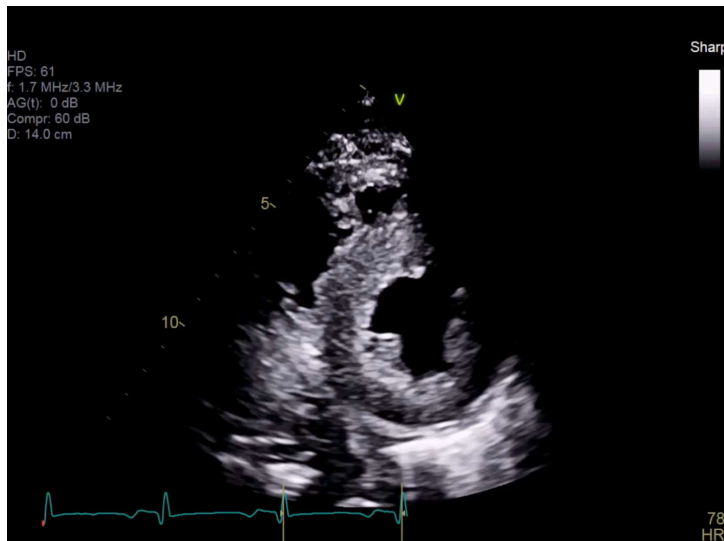
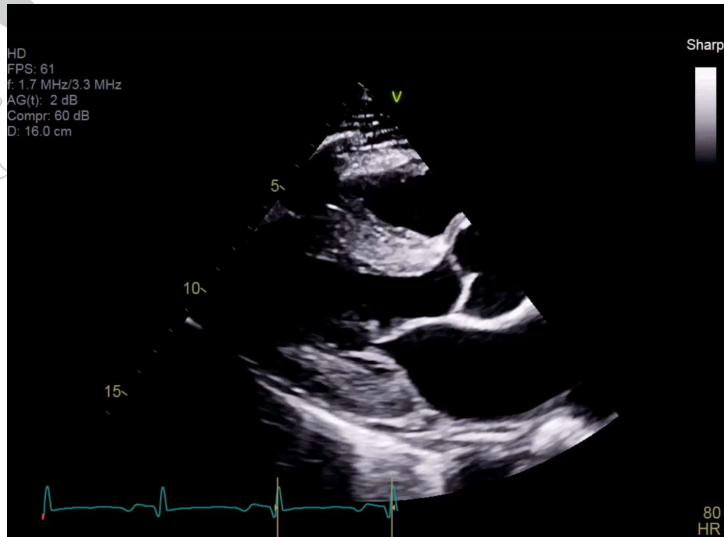
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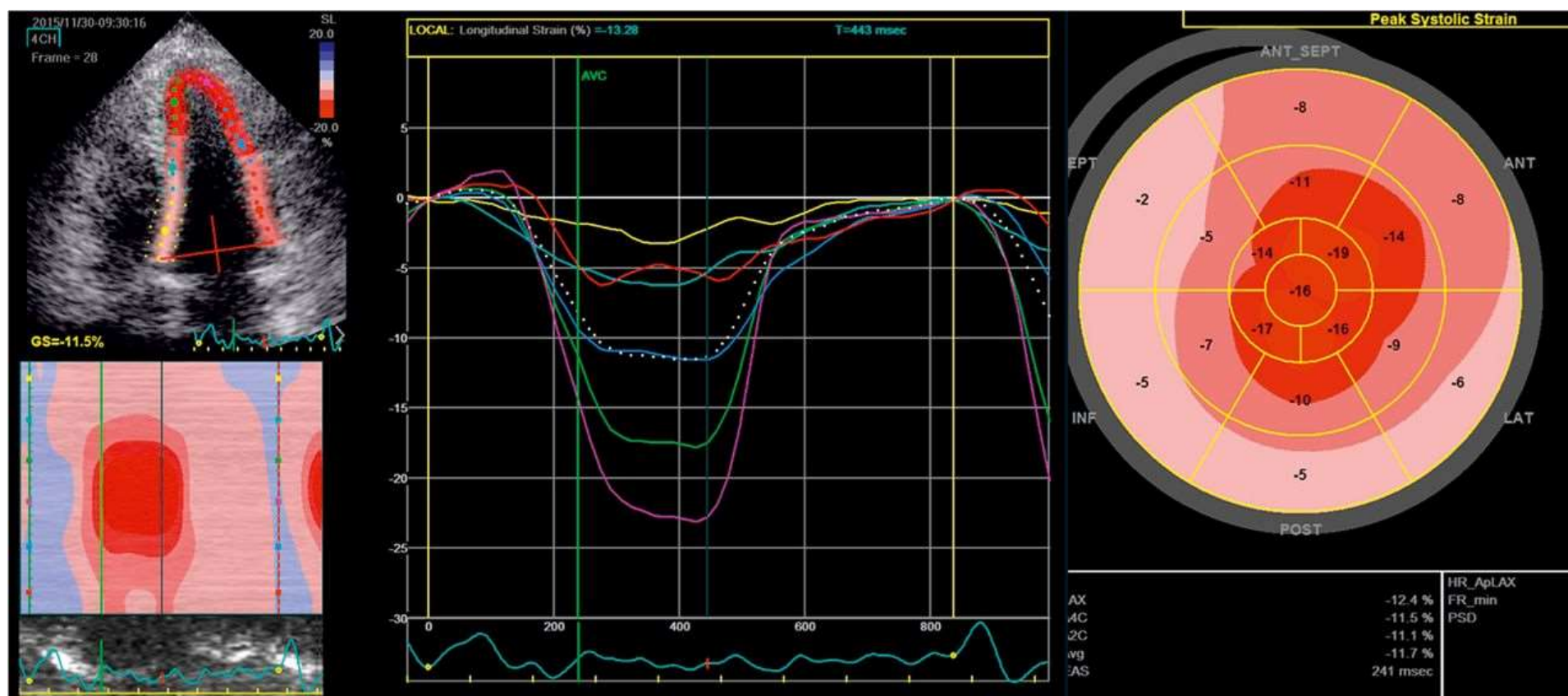


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Echocardiogram

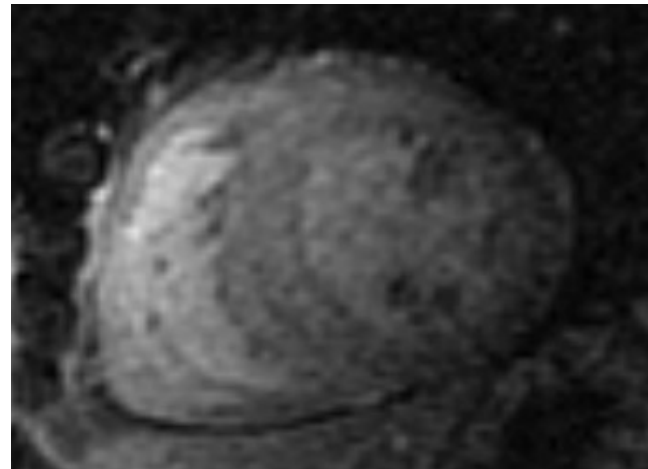
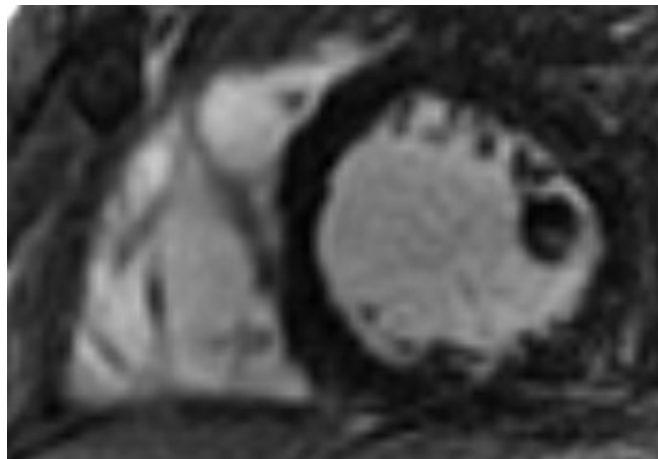
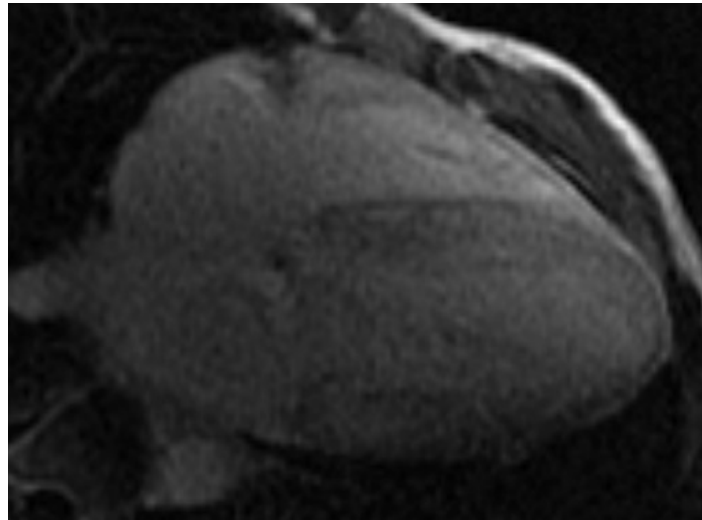
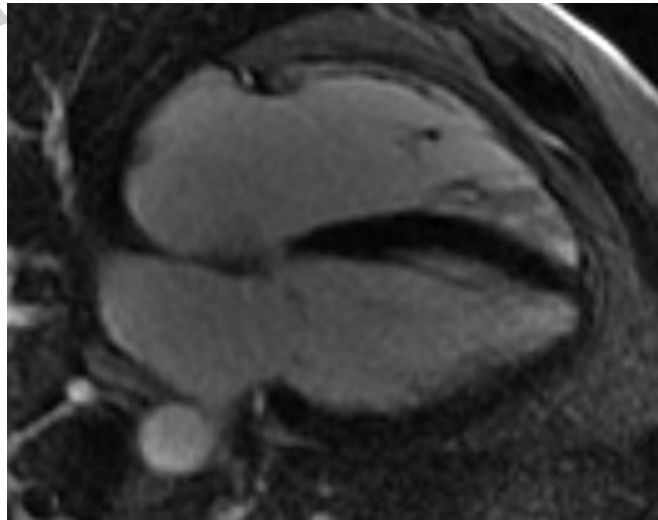


Preserved Apical Strain “Cherry on Top”



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Cardiac MRI



Normal

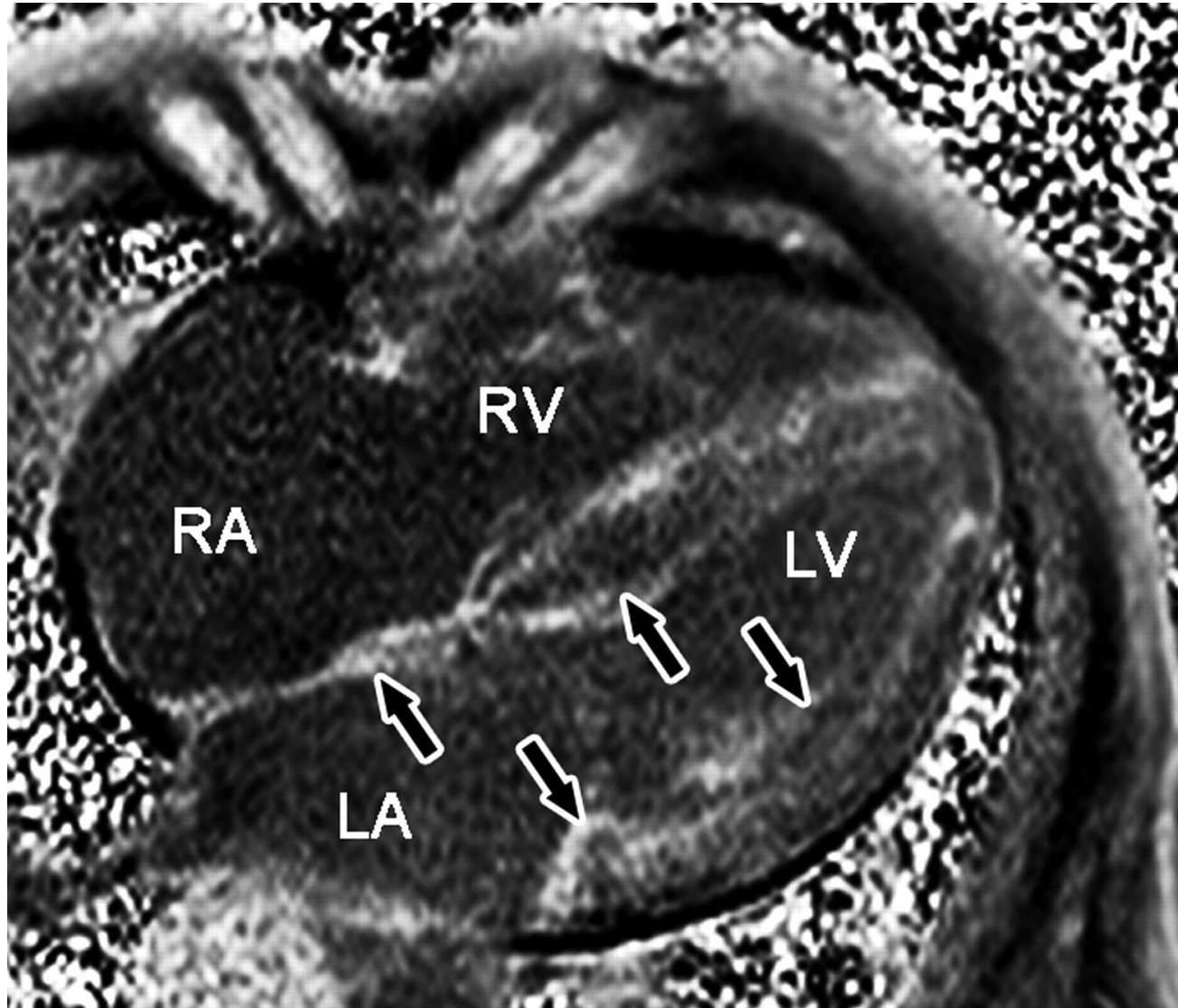
Amyloidosis



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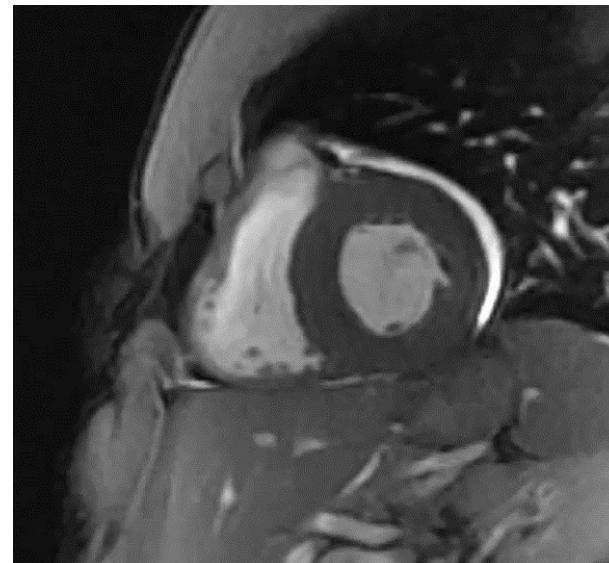
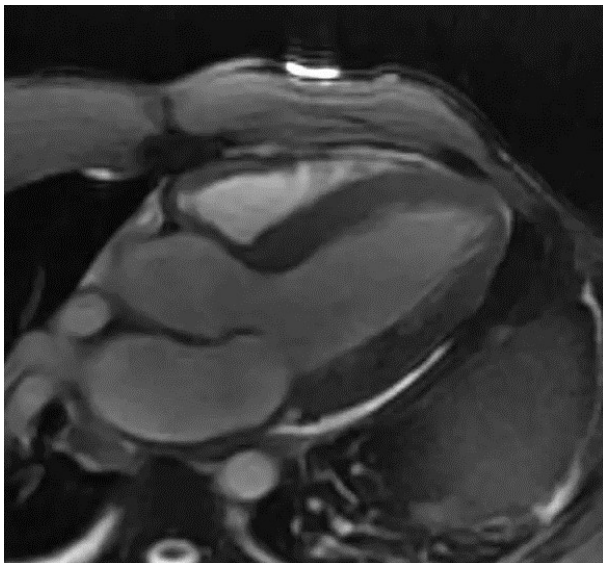
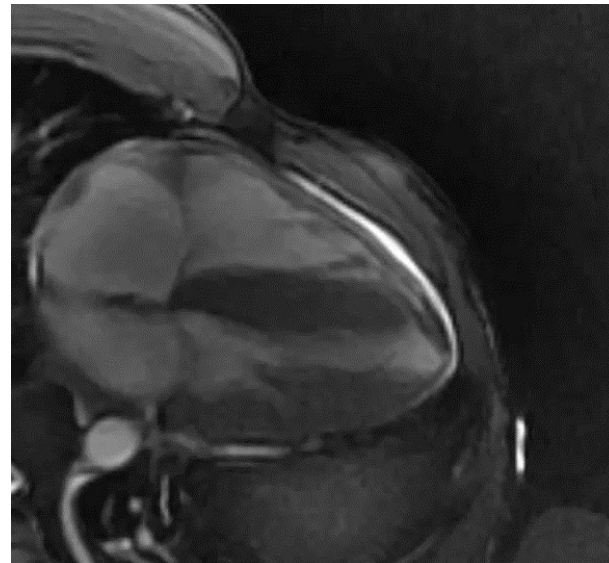
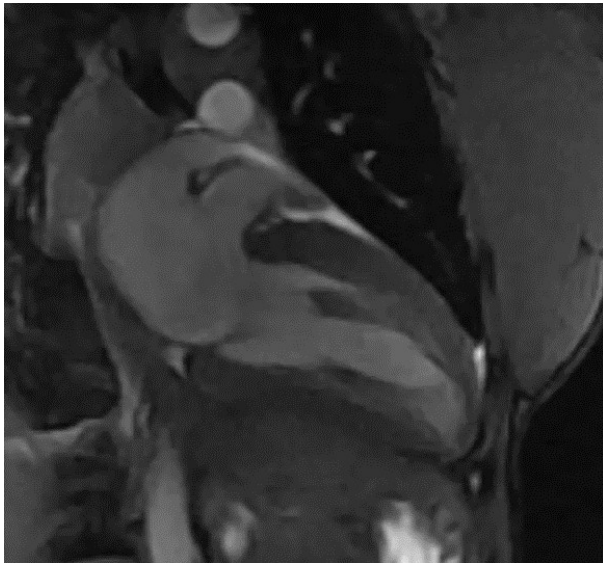
Cardiac MRI

Diffuse Late Gadolinium Enhancement

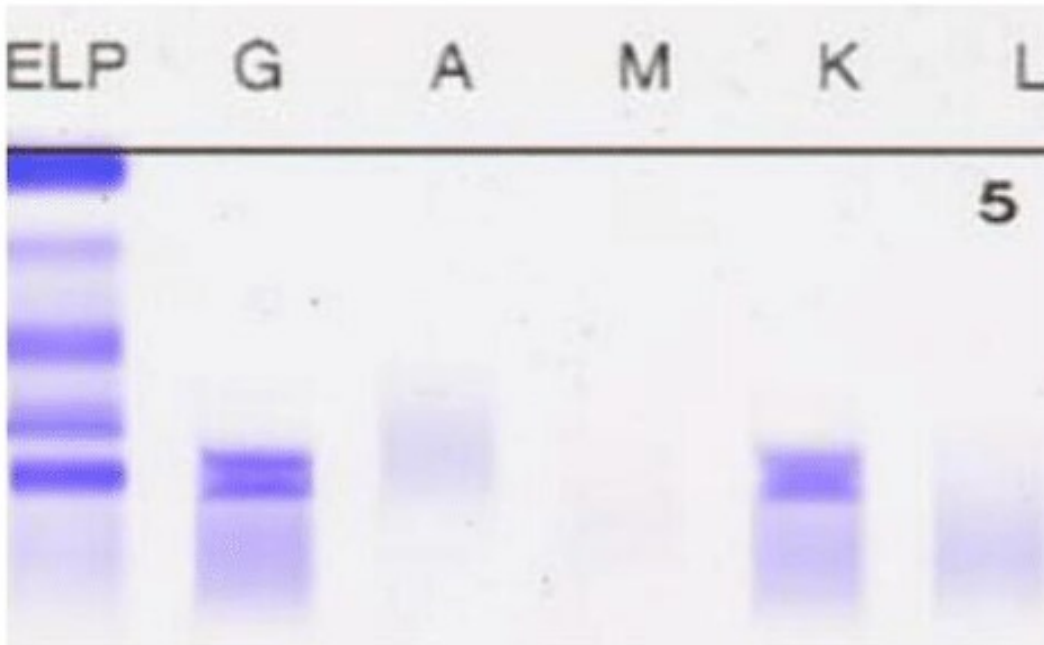


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Cardiac MRI

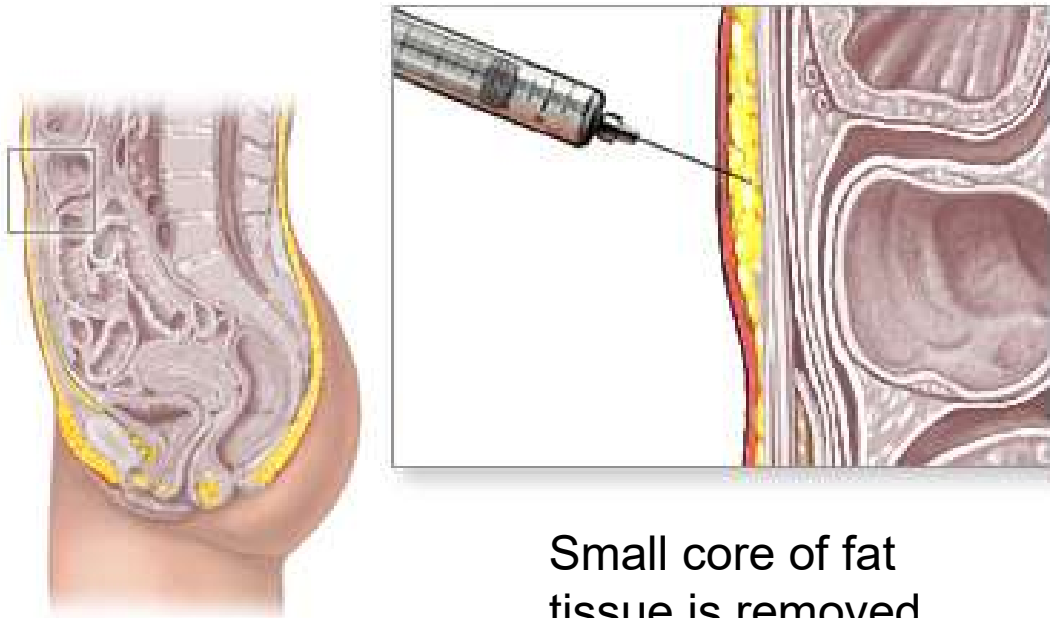


Immunofixation electrophoresis to assess for monoclonal protein



Protein	Results	Reference
Ig-G	19.8	7-16g/L
Ig-A	0.86	0.7-4.0g/L
Ig-M	0.18	0.5-2.2g/L
κ-light chain	5.91	1.7-3.7g/L
λ-light chain	1.15	0.9-2.1g/L

Fat pad biopsy for AL-amyloidosis

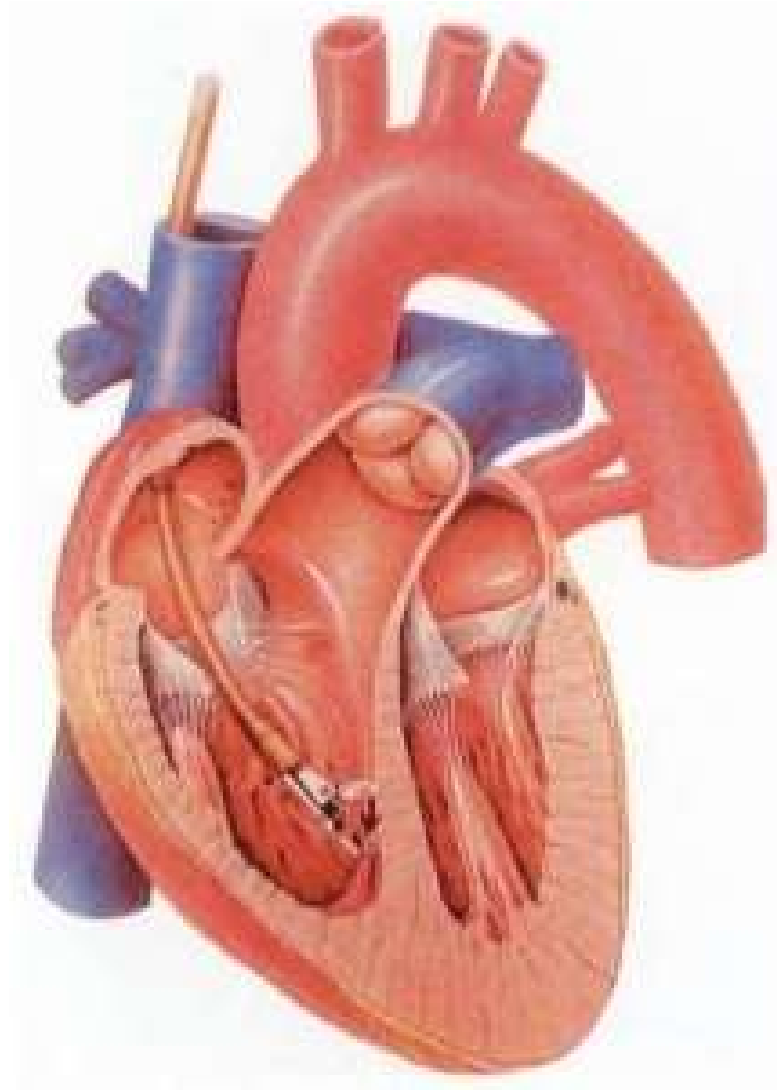


Small core of fat
tissue is removed
for biopsy

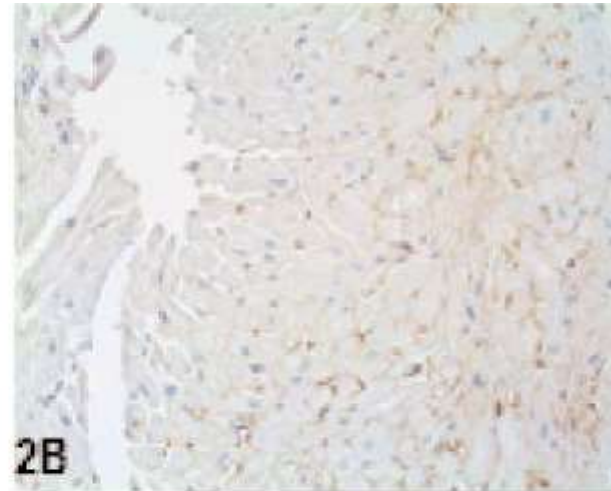
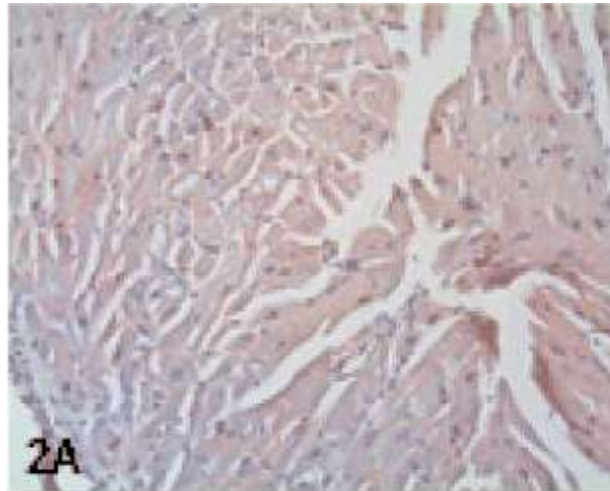
Positive in

- > 70% AL
- ~ 60% - ATTRm
- ~ 10% - ATTR-wt

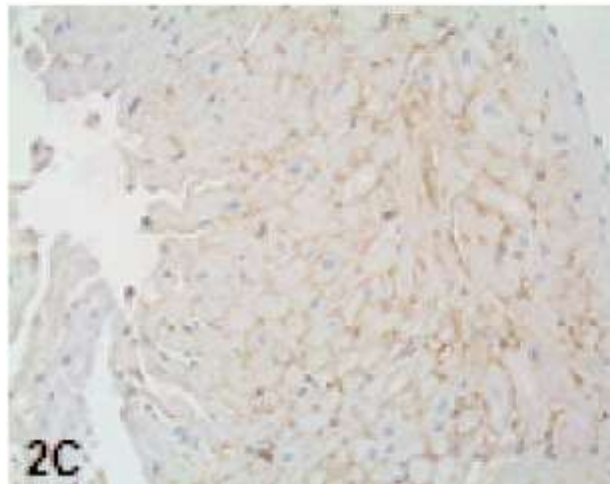
Endomyocardial biopsy



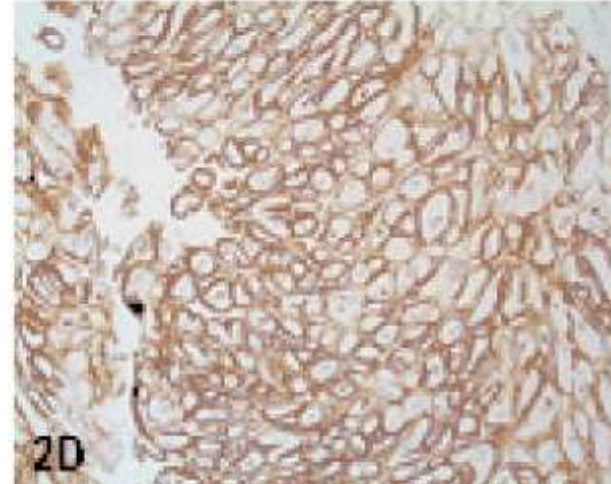
Immunohistochemistry / Mass spectrometry



Lambda



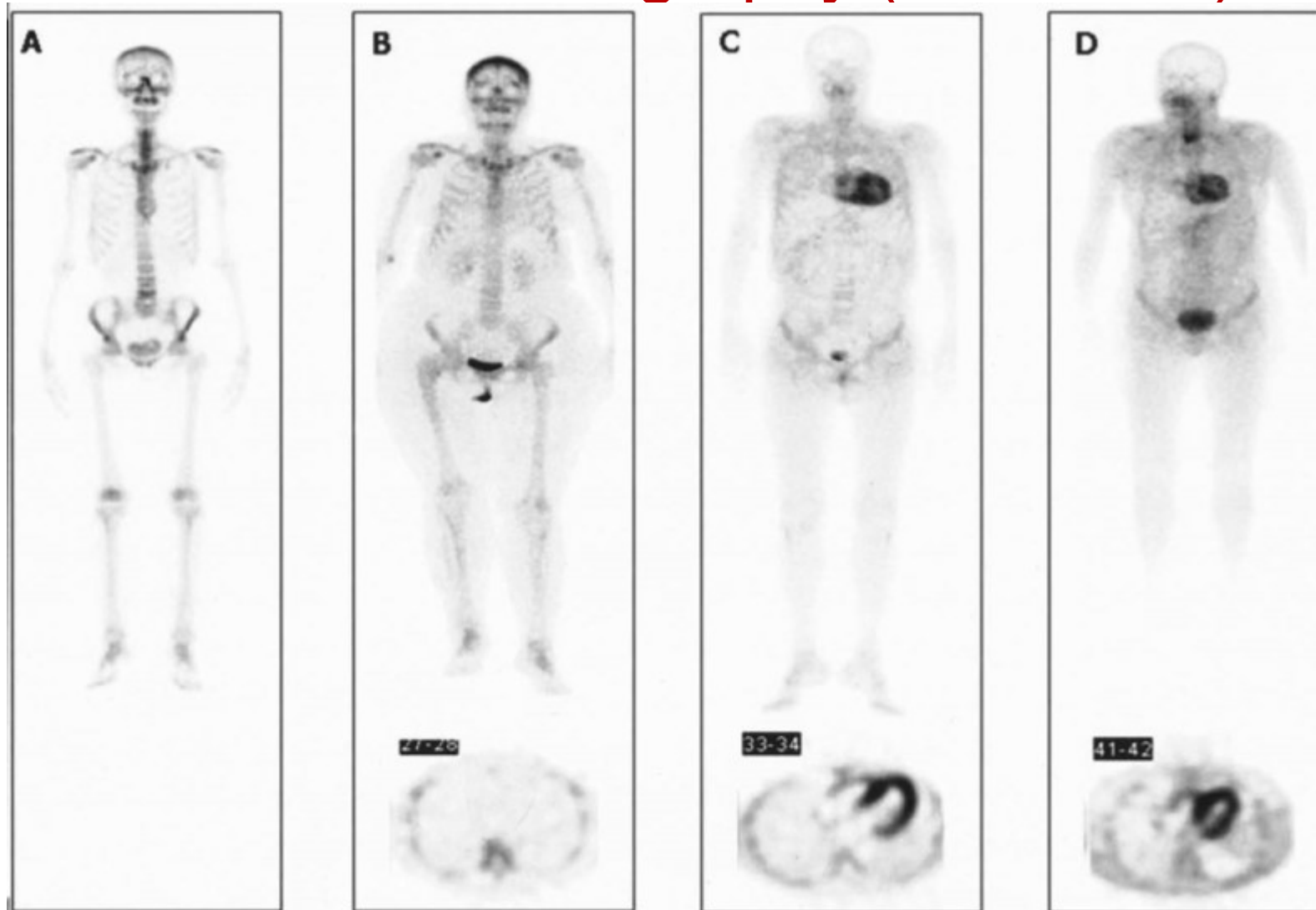
Kappa



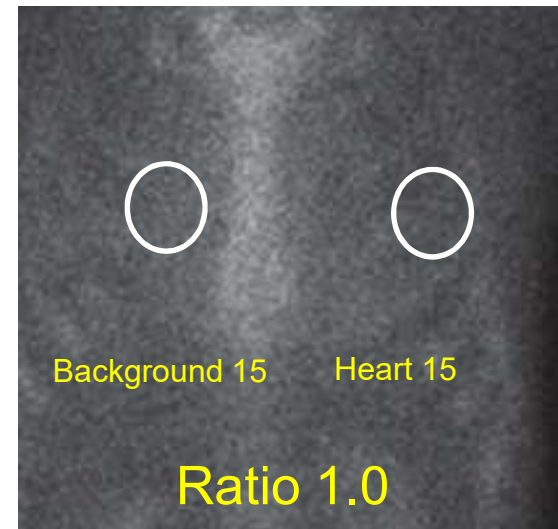
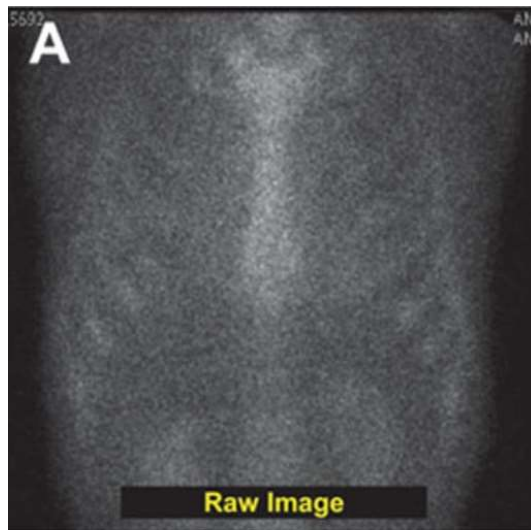
Transthyretin

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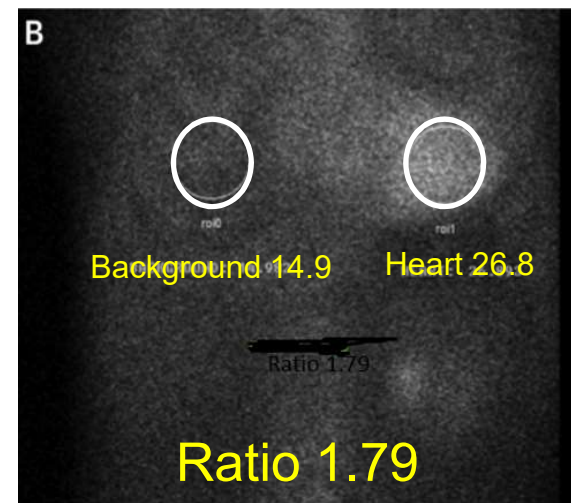
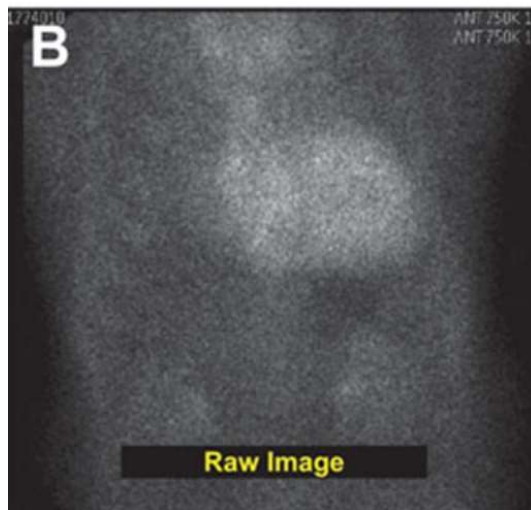
Diagnosis of TTR cardiac amyloidosis with bone scintigraphy (PYP scan)



Bone scintigraphy - PYP Scan

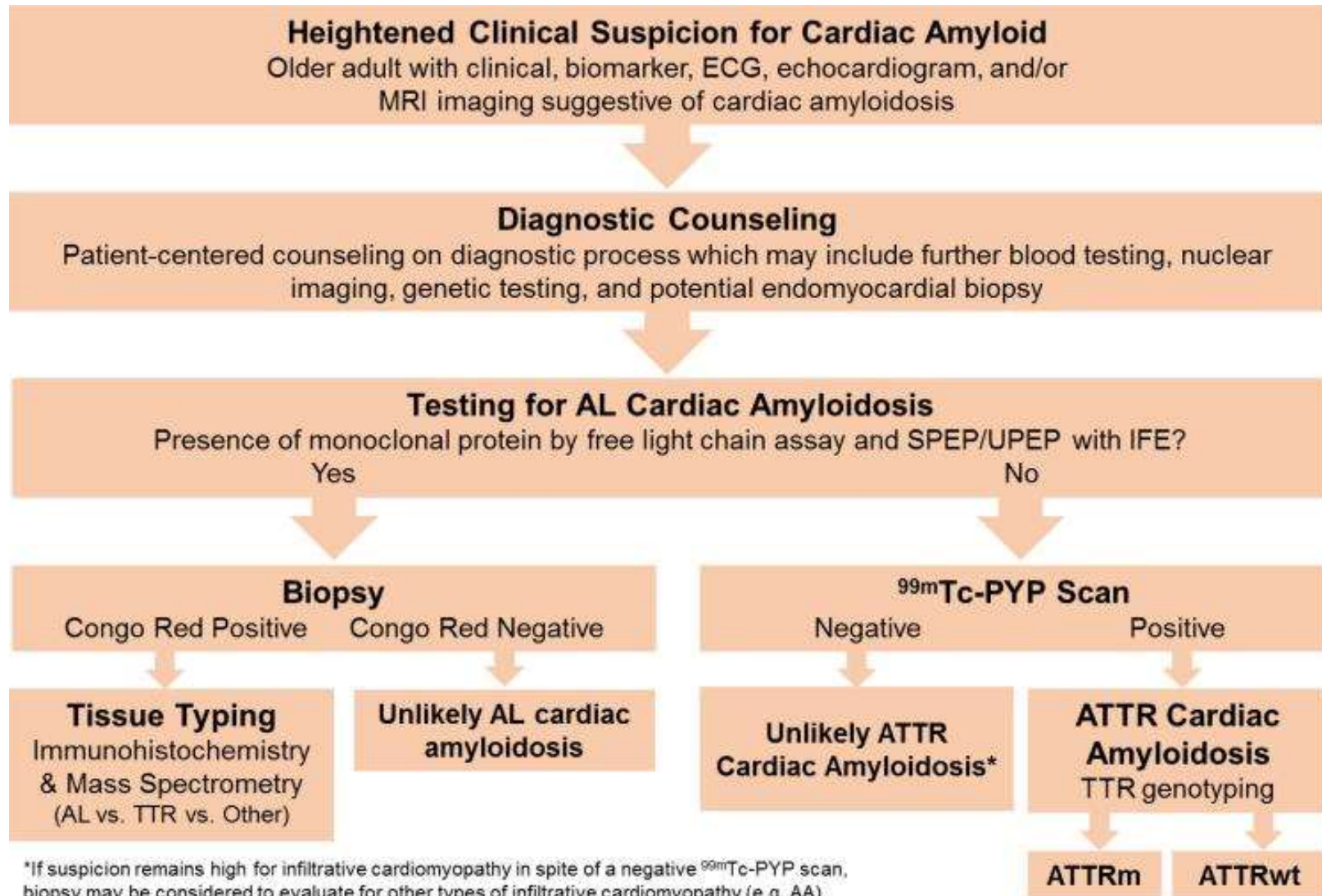


Negative uptake



Positive uptake

Algorithm – Cardiac Amyloidosis



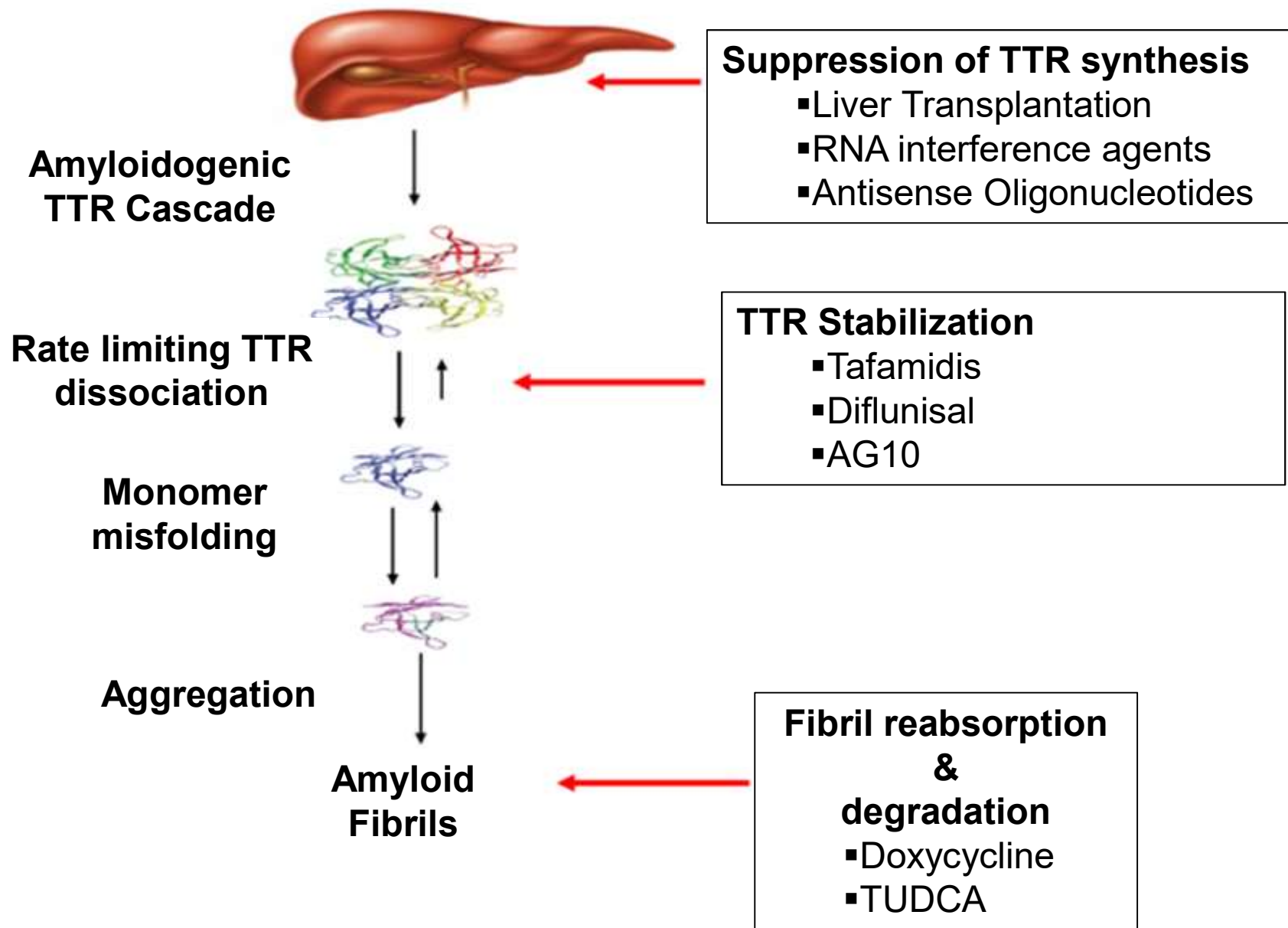
Treatment

- Diuretics + salt restriction – Mainstay of therapy.
 - Aldosterone antagonists & loop diuretics
- Calcium channel blockers & digoxin contraindicated
- ACEi/ARBs poorly tolerated
- Beta-blockers – often intolerant
- Hypotension – compression stockings & midodrine
- Pacemaker – (25% develop heart block)

Treatment for AL Cardiac Amyloidosis

- Stem cell transplant
- Cytotoxic chemotherapy
 - CyBorD
 - Oral Melphalan/Dexamethasone
 - Daratumumab
- Cytotoxic chemotherapy followed by stem cell transplant
- Stem cell transplant + heart transplant

Therapies for TTR Cardiac Amyloidosis



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Green tea

- No change in wall thickness
- Decrease in LV muscle mass

Therapies for TTR Cardiac Amyloidosis

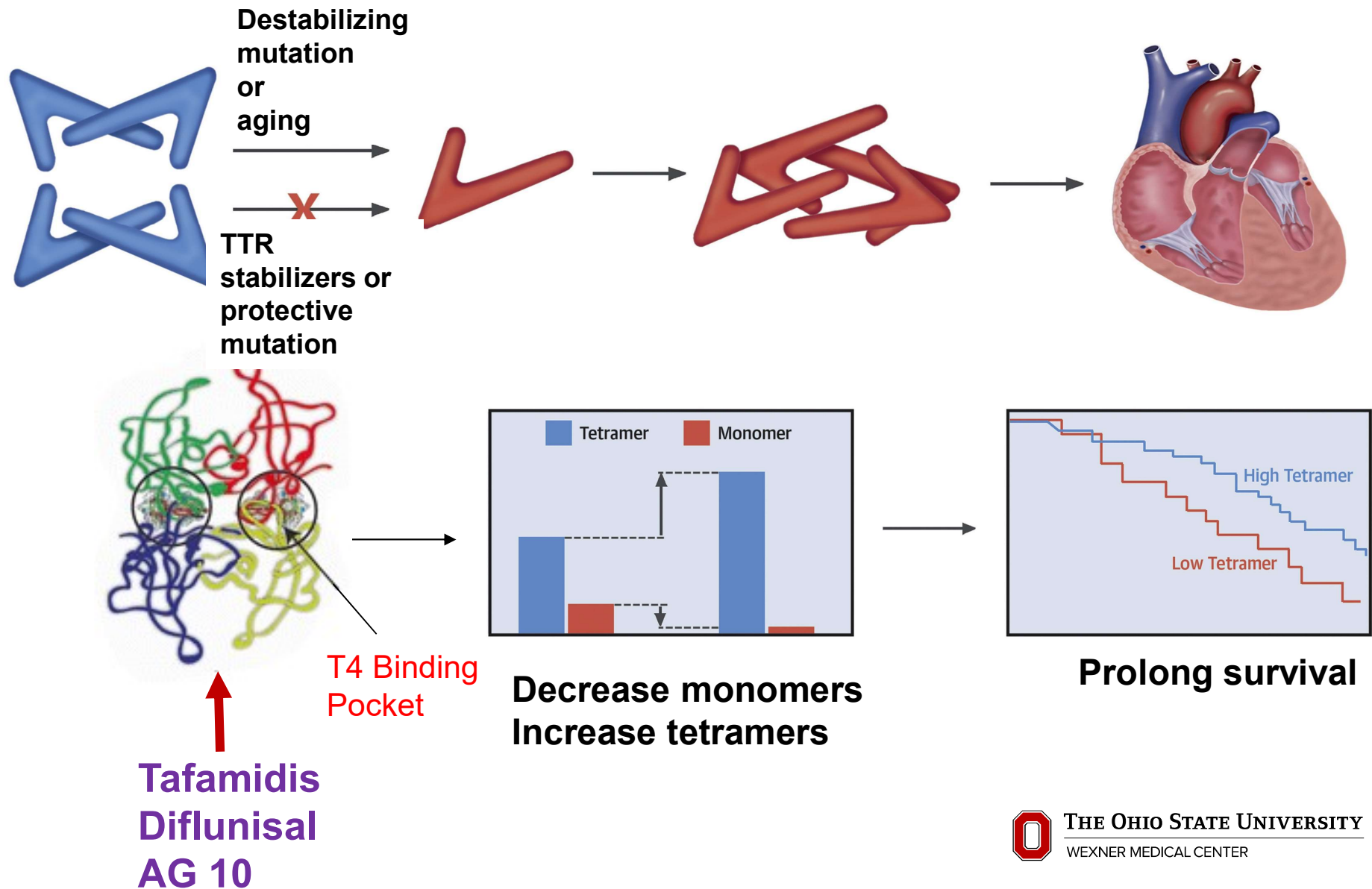


Doxycycline & TUDCA (bile salt)

- Enhances fibril degradation
- Stabilize heart disease
- Skin complications (60%), discontinuation (30%)

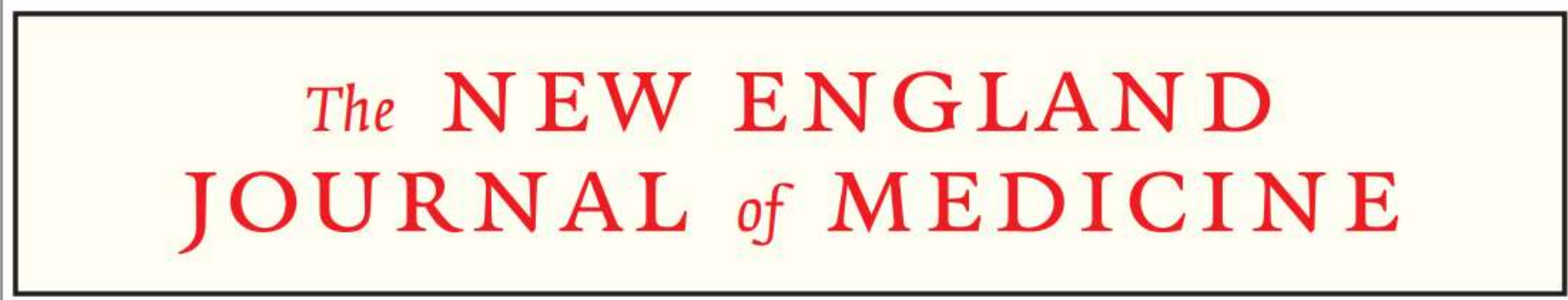


Transthyretin Stabilizers





TTR Stabilizer – Tafamidis (Vyndaqel)



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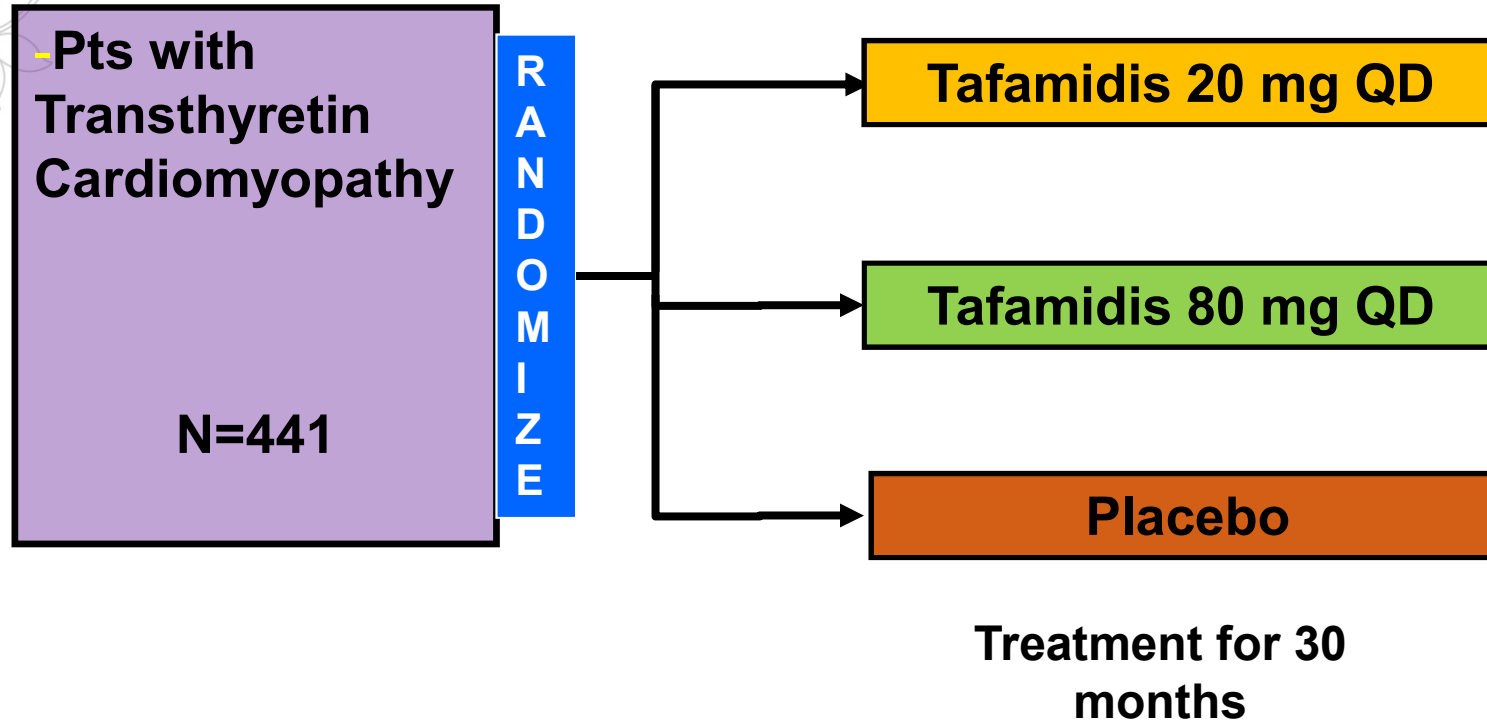
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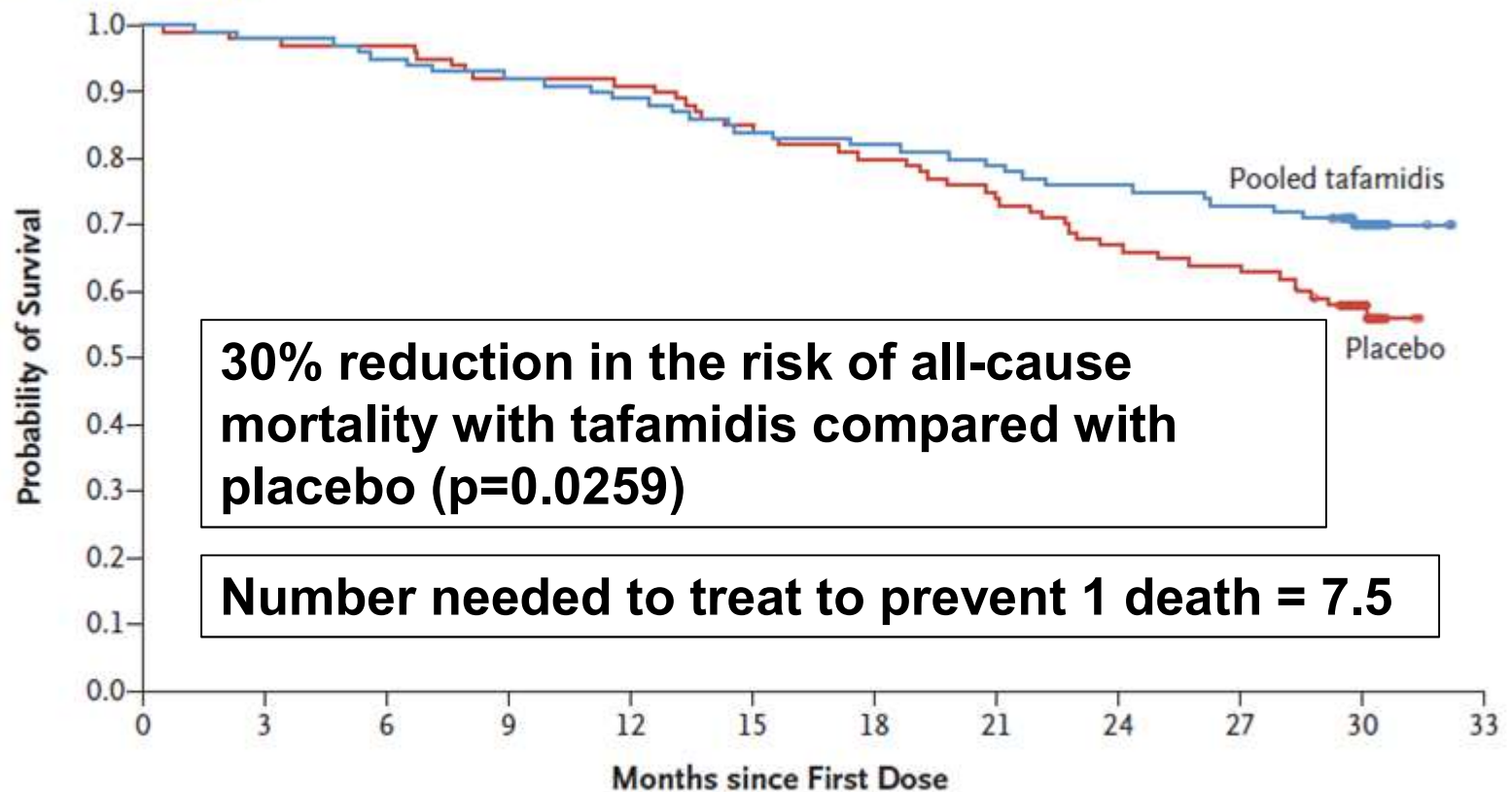
Tafamidis for Transthyretin Amyloid Cardiomyopathy



Primary endpoints: All-cause mortality & frequency of CV-related hospitalizations

Tafamidis (Vyndaqel)

B Analysis of All-Cause Mortality



No. at Risk (cumulative no. of events)

Pooled tafamidis	264 (0)	259 (5)	252 (12)	244 (20)	235 (29)	222 (42)	216 (48)	209 (55)	200 (64)	193 (71)	99 (78)	0 (78)
Placebo	177 (0)	173 (4)	171 (6)	163 (14)	161 (16)	150 (27)	141 (36)	131 (46)	118 (59)	113 (64)	51 (75)	0 (76)

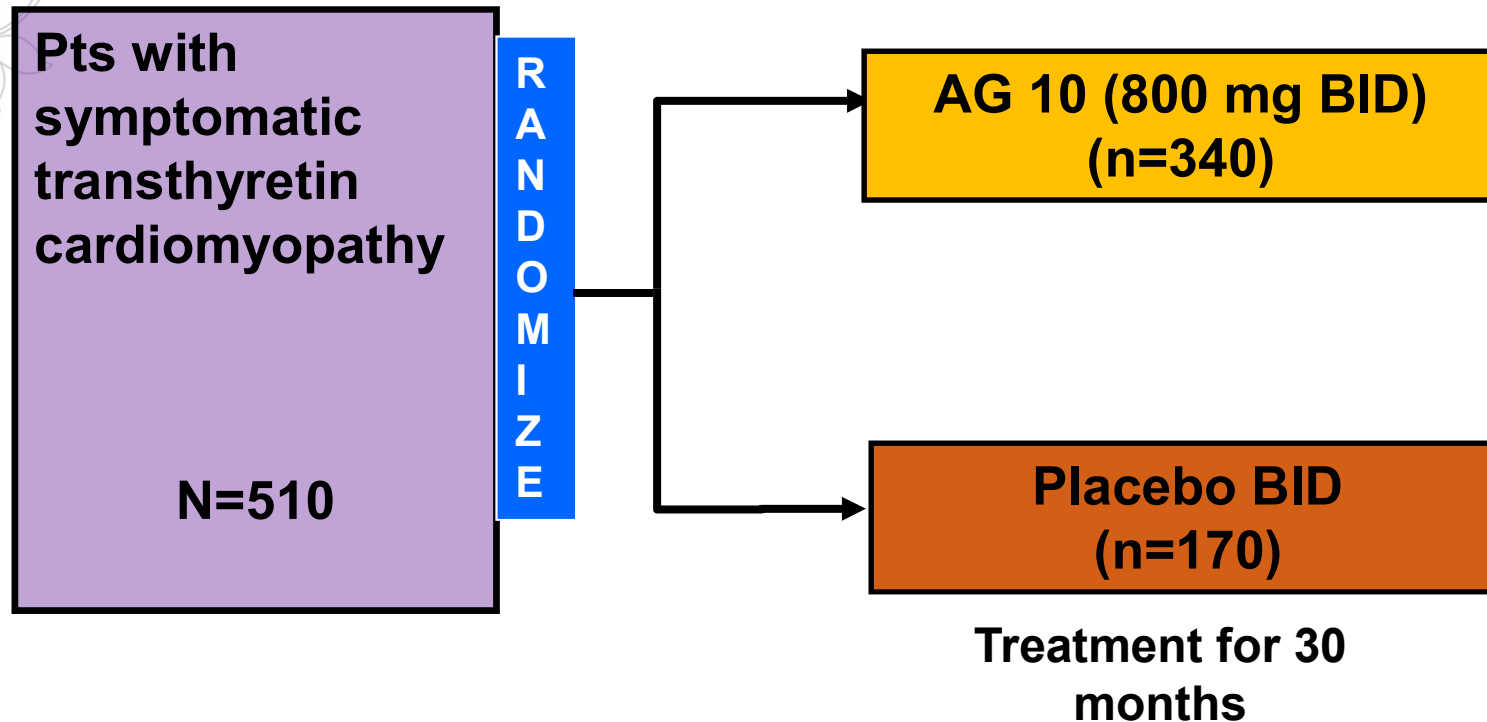
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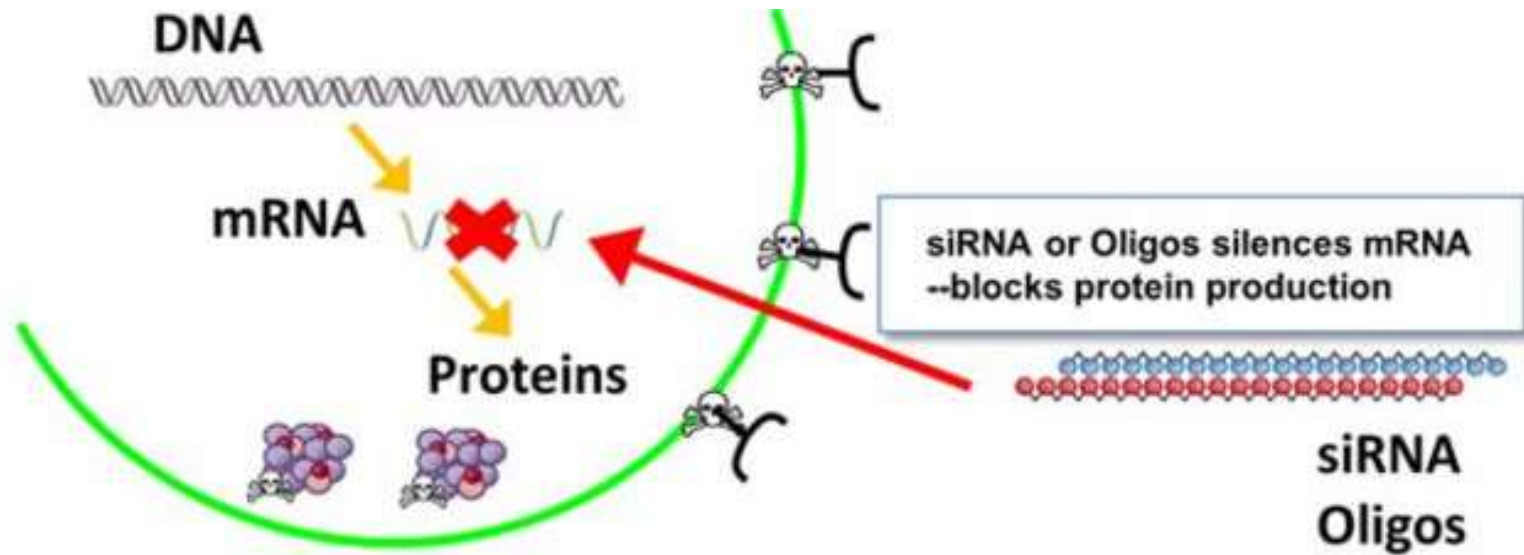
- Stabilized progression of neuropathy
- Patients with no bleeding issues, not retaining water and normal kidney function
- Not FDA-approved

Efficacy and Safety of AG10 in Subjects with Symptomatic Transthyretin Amyloid Cardiomyopathy (ATTRIBUTE-CM Trial)



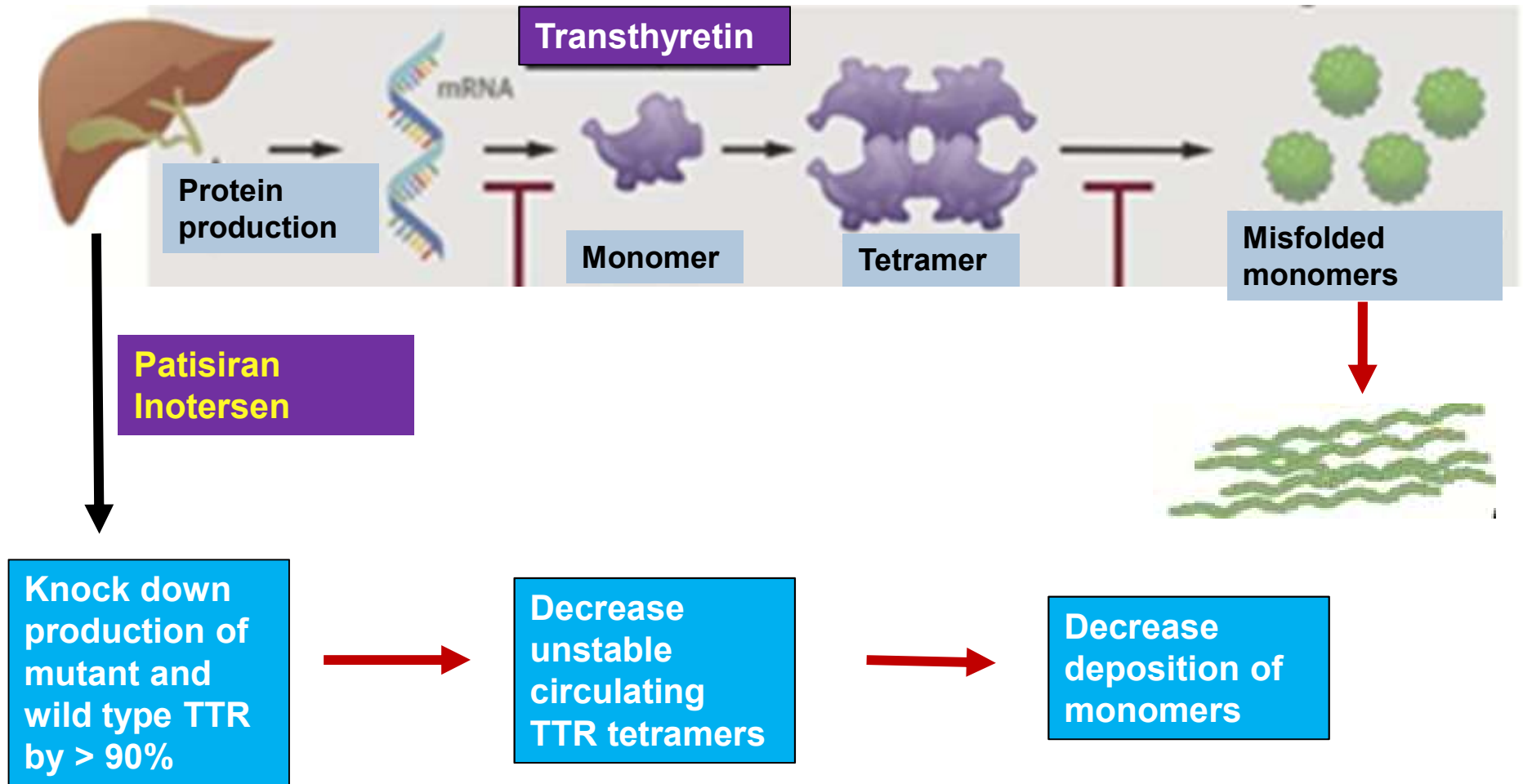
AG10 mimics the stabilizing effects of the super-stabilized TTR mutation T119M

Suppression of TTR production



- **Patisiran – RNA interference (RNAi) agent**
- **Inotersen – Antisense Oligonucleotide (ASO)**

Suppression of TTR production



Patisiran - Onpattro

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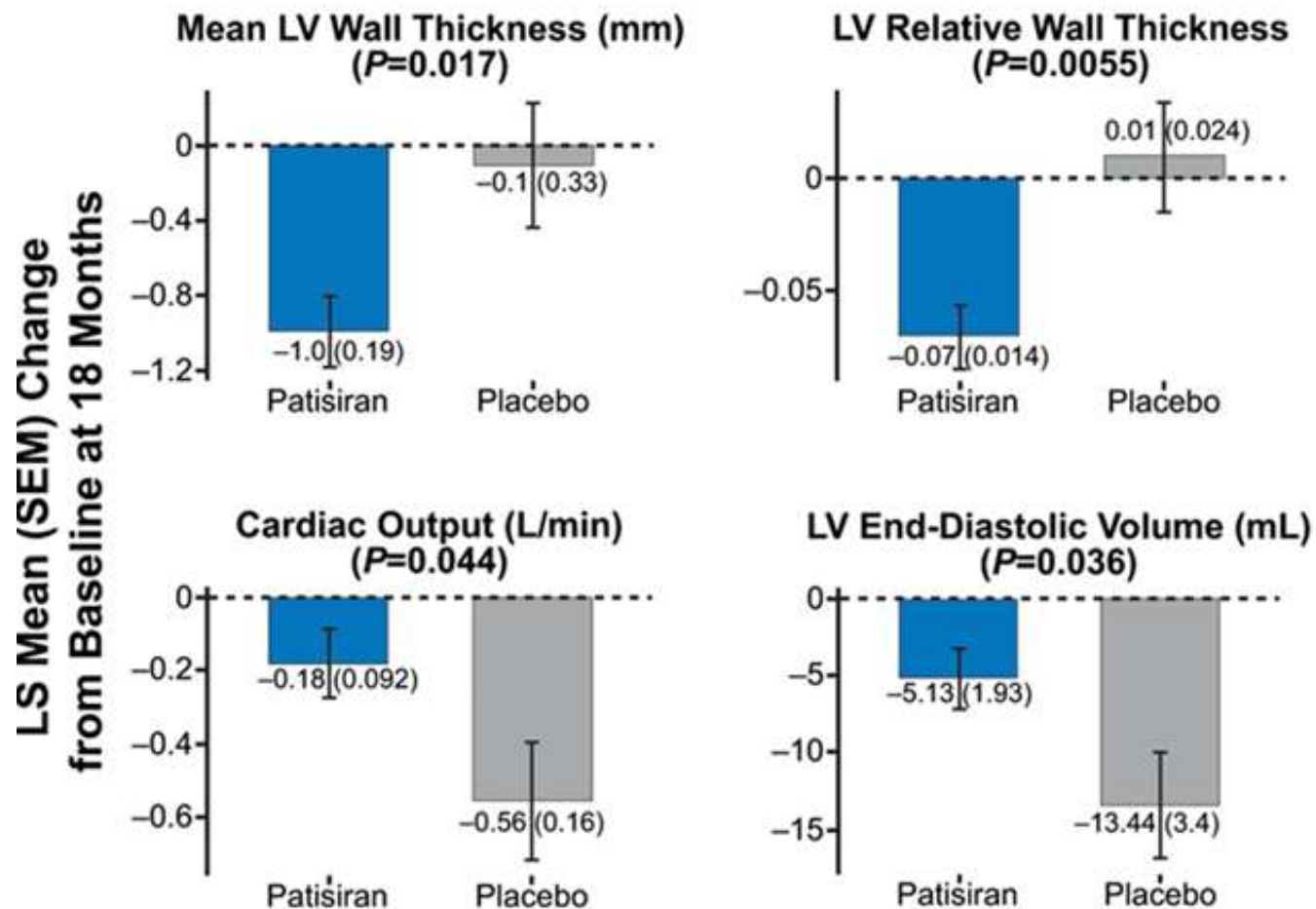


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Patisiran – Onpattro

Approved indication	Neuropathy
Administration	IV, every 3 weeks
Common side effects	Infusion related reactions Vitamin A deficiency
Concomitant Therapy	IV corticosteroid, Acetaminophen, IV H1 blocker, IV H2 blocker Daily Vitamin A supplements
Monitoring	None

Patisiran - Onpattro



- Echocardiogram changes at 18 months
- ↓ NT- pro BNP by 9 months

Solomon S et al. Circulation. 2019;10(6). 139: 431-443

Inotersen – Tegsedi

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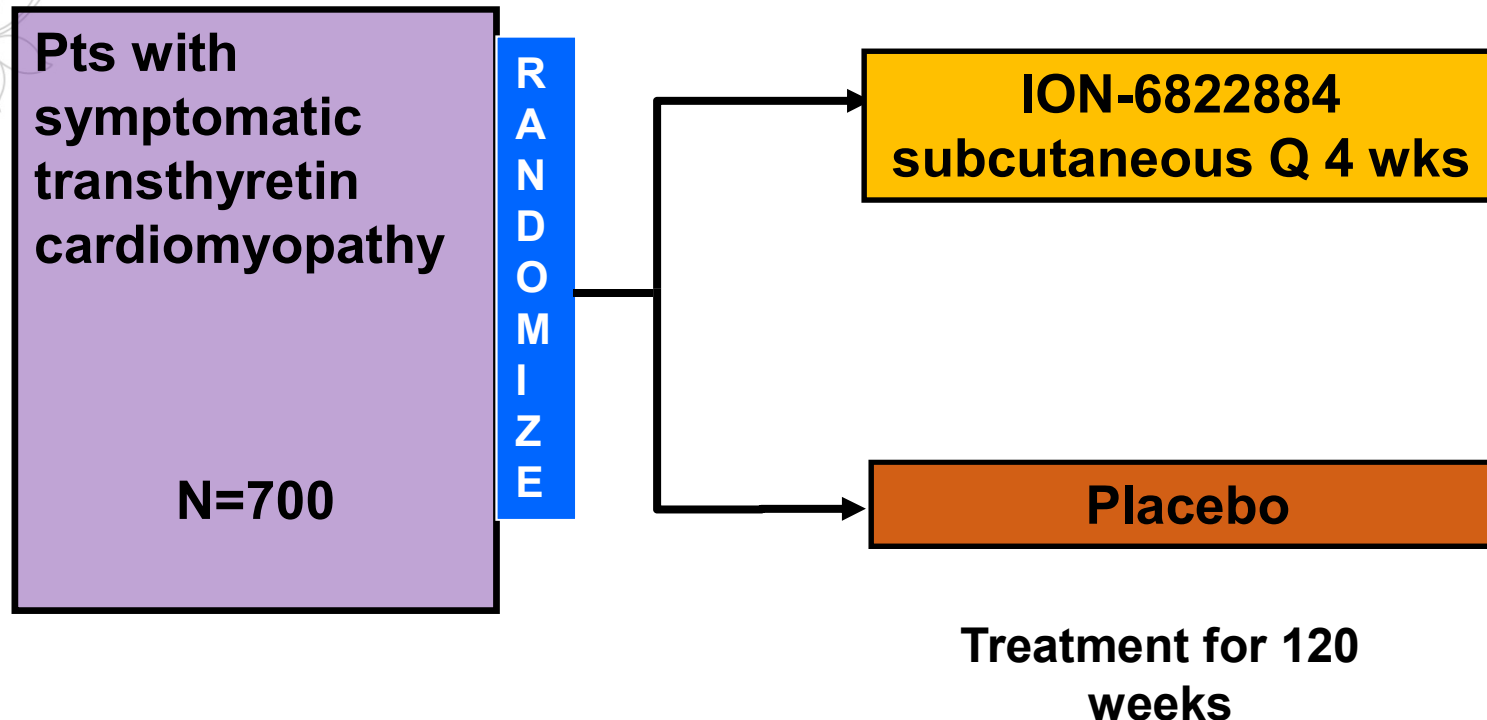
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Inotersen – Tegsedi

Approved indication	Neuropathy
Administration	Subcutaneous, every week
Common side effects	Thrombocytopenia Glomerulonephritis Vitamin A deficiency
Concomitant Therapy	Daily Vitamin A supplements
Monitoring	Platelet function, weekly Renal function, every 2 weeks

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Efficacy and Safety of ION-682884 in Patients with Transthyretin-Mediated Amyloid Cardiomyopathy (ATTR-CM)



Primary endpoints:

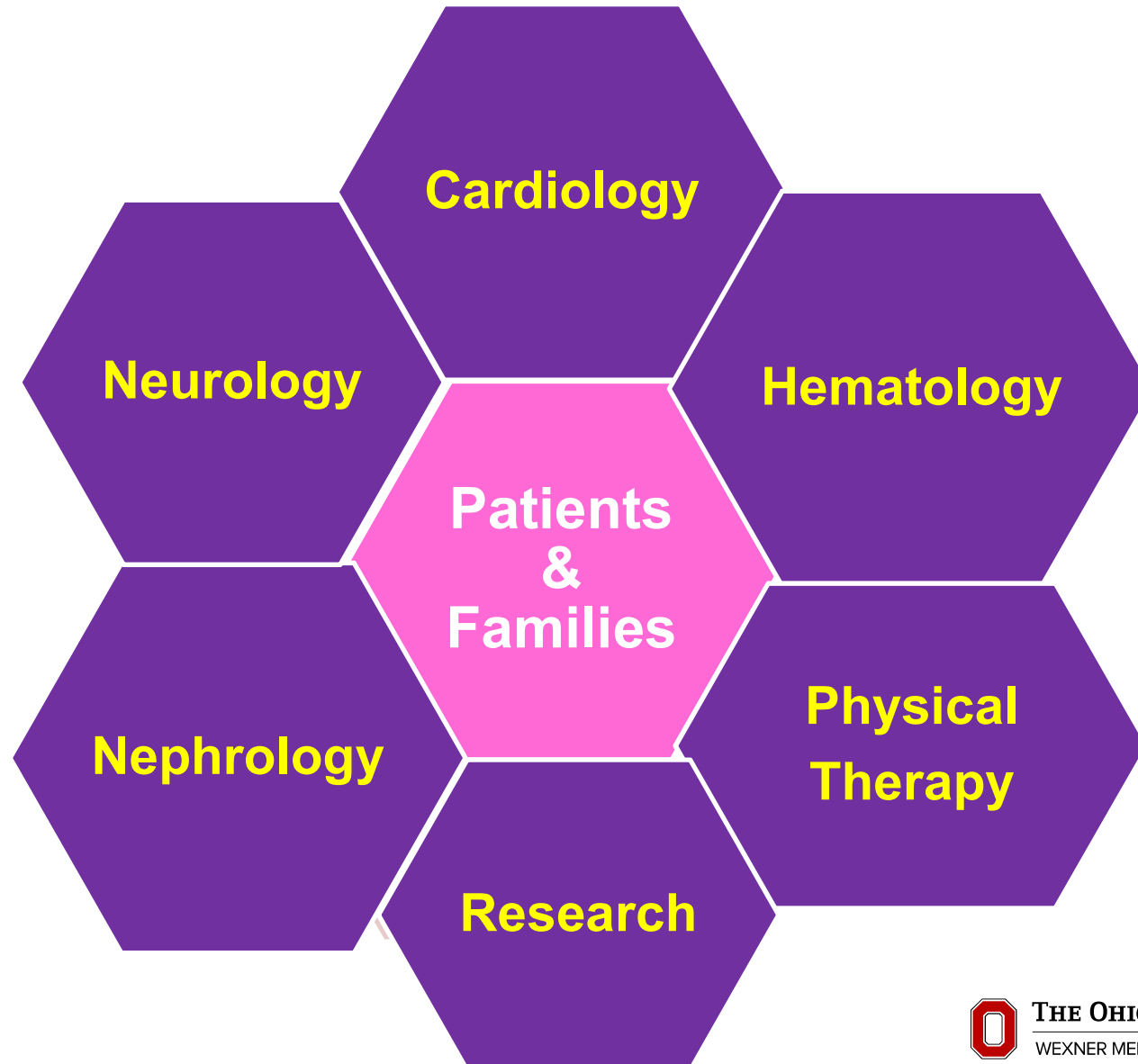
1. Change in 6 min walk distance (60 weeks)
2. All-cause mortality & frequency of CV-related hospitalizations

Courtesy: Ionis /Akcea ION-682884 TTR-L program.



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Thank you

Therapies for TTR Amyloidosis

Drug	Patient Population	Design	Efficacy	Safety
Green tea (Epigallocatechin-3-gallate)	TTR wTTR	2 Phase II trials	No echo Δ in LV wall thickness $\downarrow$ LV mass by Cardiac MRI	No subjects discontinued green tea
Doxycycline +TUDCA	TTRm, wTTr, CA- AL	3 Phase II trials	Stable cardiac disease Controls $\downarrow$ in strain	60 % skin complications 30% stopped taking
Diflunisal (250 mg BID)	TTRm All TTR	Phase III Phase II	No change in LVEF, LV mass or strain	No significant $\uparrow$ GI bleed or volume overload

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