# Evolving Sensor Strategies & Remote Monitoring to Reduce Heart Failure Hospitalization

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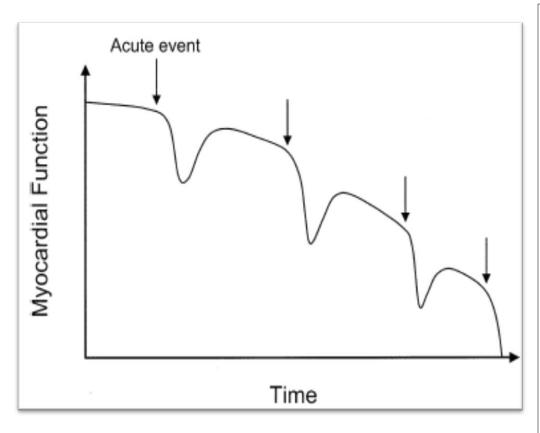


## Overview

- Background
- Sensors
  - » Simple & Sophisticated
  - » Need for Device-integrated approach
- Clinical impact of Remote Monitoring on HF
  - » Outcomes
  - » Monitoring HF progression



# The Goal: Stabilize Disease Progression



 Cumulative effect of recurrent acute heart failure events leads to progressive decline in cardiac function

 Sensor strategies and timely intervention may help



# Device Based Heart Failure Managment

### Simple Sensors

- Heart rate and derivatives
- Accelerometers
- Impedance-based
- S3
- Respiratory

### Sophisticated Sensors

Pressure: left atrial pressure, pulmonary artery pressure,

RV dP/dt, etc.

Heart Sound: PEA

C Output: Doppler

• Chemicals: PO<sub>2</sub>, PCO<sub>2</sub>, pH, electrolytes and glucose

Biomarkers: TNF, BNP, etc.



# Putting it all together: Sensing & Intervening

#### **Co-Morbid**

Diabetes HT

COPD

**AF** 

#### **Chronic HF**

- Neurohormonal status
- Compliance
- Myocardial risk

#### **Triggers**

- Ischemia
- Electrolytes
- Endothelial function
- Arrhythmias

#### **Sophisticated Sensors**

Hemodynamic Inst

LAP

**PADP** 

RV dp/dt

**PEA** 

Impedance-b

Neurohormones Inflammatory mark

**CRP** 

IL-6

BNP, etc

Acute vascular cha

MR

Venous drainage

# Device-derived Measures

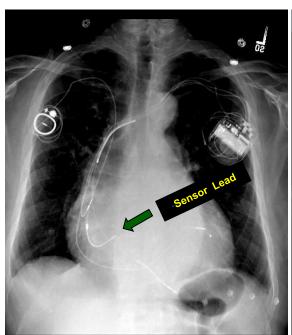
- Physical Activity
- Heart Rate
- HRV
- Impedance-based measures
- S3
- RR variability
- Arrhythmias

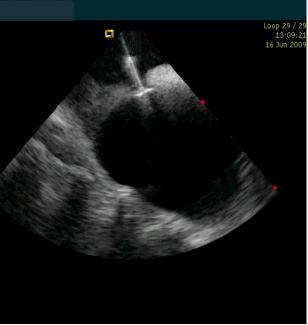
Heart Failure Hospitalization

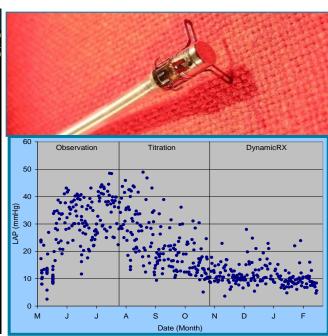


## Left Atrial Pressure Sensor Device

Futility leads to termination of trial





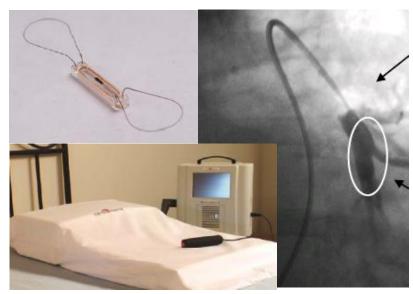


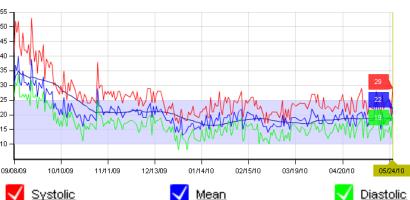
- Homeostasis Study: Safety & Efficacy
- LAPTOP-HF Study (Early termination)- Results at HFSA 2016
- Beat-to-beat hemodynamic assessment
- Engaging the patient: 3 phases
  - Observation, Titration & Dynamic Rx.



# Pulmonary Artery Pressure Monitoring

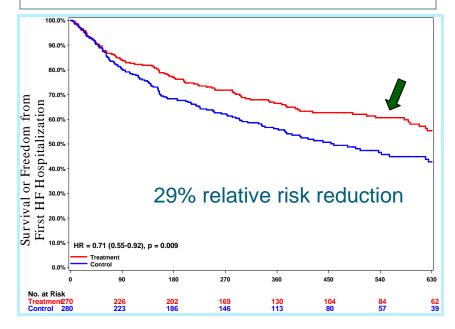
### **Stand Alone Sensor**





- Catheter-based delivery system
- Implanted PA branch diameter 7-15 mm
- Target range (mmHg):

PA systolic: 15-35PA diastolic: 8-20PA mean: 10-25

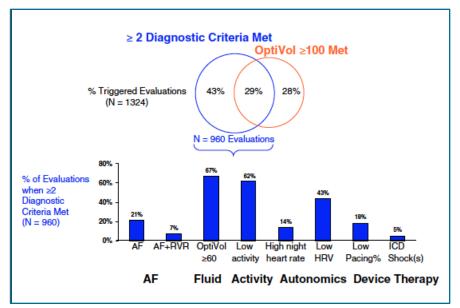


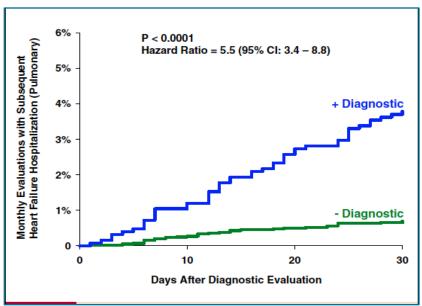
Champion Study, Lancet 2010



# Device-integrated Sensors:

## Prognosticating Failure Hospitalizations



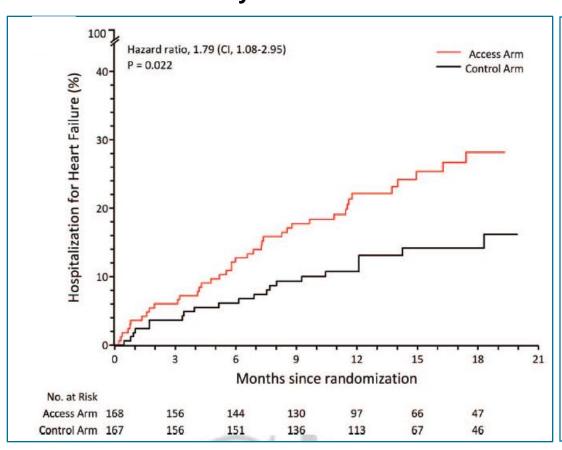


- PARTNERS-HF
- 694 CRT patients followed up for 1 year
- 141 HF hospitalizations
- Device diagnostic criteria when positive, were associated with a 5.5 fold increased risk for HF hospitalization



## We still need to learn to use the data......

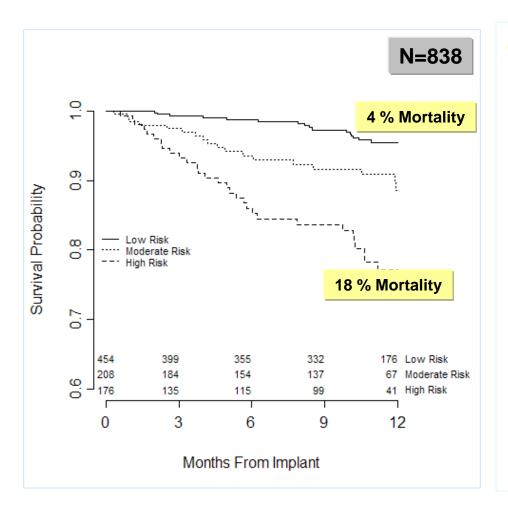
#### **DOT-HF Study: Proactive intervention with Audible Impedance Alerts**



- 335 patients randomized to OptiVol information with audible alerts
- Heart Failure hospitalizations near 2-fold higher in the Access arm versus control arm
- 3-fold increase in outpatient visits
- Role of Impedance measures questionable?



# Tiered Risk Stratification Using Device-based Simple Sensors



#### Clinical risk score

- Contak-Renewal Study & HF-HRV Study
- Variables extracted from device were dichotomized with score of 1 for:
  - SDANN <43</li>
  - mean HR >74
  - Footprint < 29</li>
  - Physical activity % <5.</li>
- Total score= sum of dichotomized variables
  - Low (1)
  - Moderate: 2-3
  - High: 4

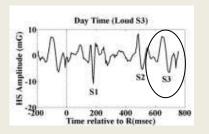


## Further Refinement in Sensor Strategies

MultiSENSE Study (HeartLogic™)

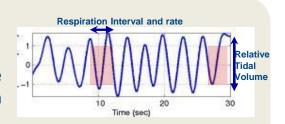
#### **Heart Sounds**

Signs of elevated filling pressure (S3)



#### Respiration

Rapid breathing and reduced tidal volume – shortness of breath



#### Thoracic Impedance

Fluid accumulation and pulmonary edema



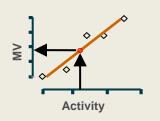
#### **Posture**

Increased night elevation angle as indicator of Orthopnea or PND



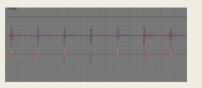
#### **Activity Response**

Physiologic changes as a result of activity – such as signs of dyspnea on exertion



#### **Heart Rate and Arrhythmias**

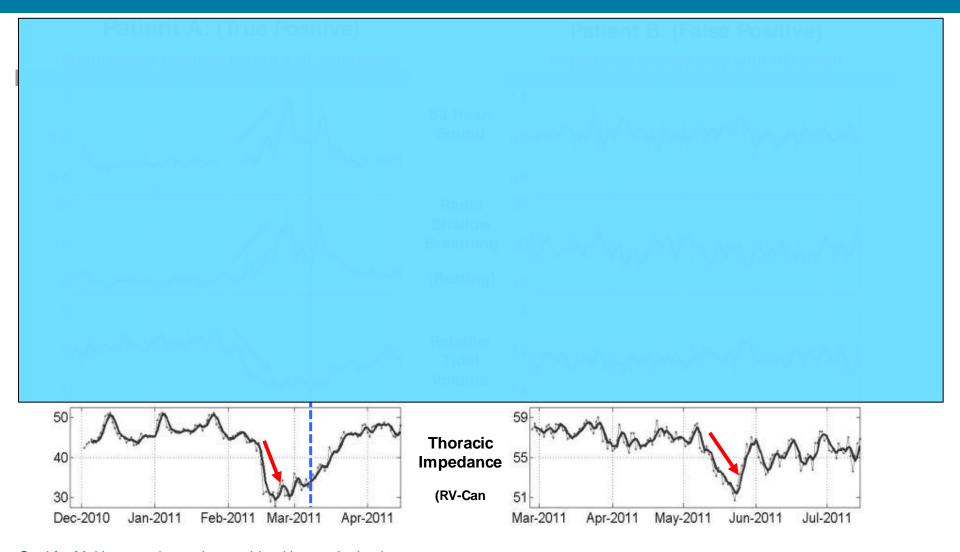
Heart rates as indicator of cardiac status; atrial arrhythmias related to HF status



GOAL: Create a high performing composite indicator of worsening heart failure status



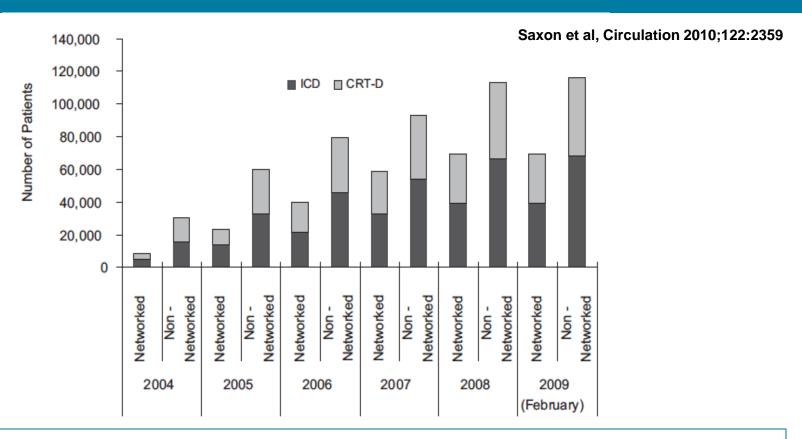
# The Multiple Sensor Approach Appropriate Identification of the HF patient



Goal for Multisensor data to be combined into a single alert Rapid Shallow Breathing = Respiratory Rate/Tidal Volume



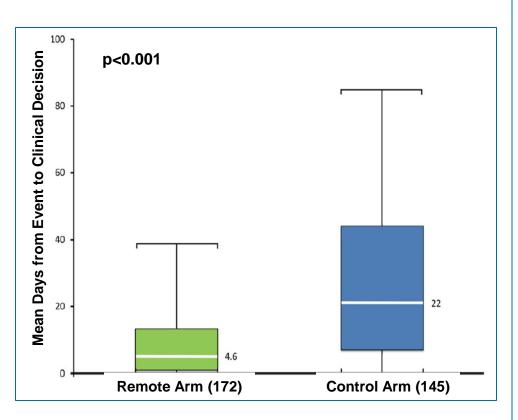
# Is There a Need for Remote Monitoring?



- Implantation of cardiac electronic devices has substantially increased
- Subsequent monitoring is an integral part of device & patient care
  - Device & patient variables, disease data
- Significant clinical workload
  - Further enhanced around advisories, recalls, ERI etc.

## **CONNECT Trial**

# Reducing Time to Clinical Decisions & Health Care Utilization

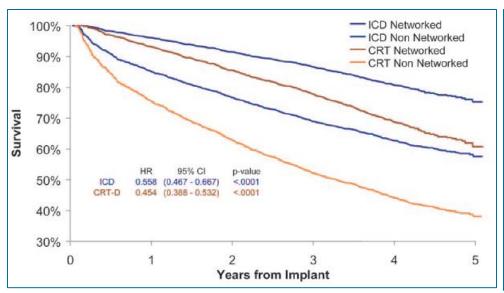


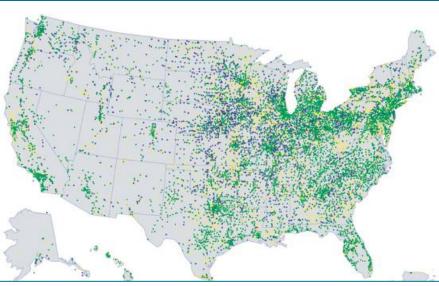
- RCT
- 1997 patients with ICD / CRT
- In-office vs. remote follow up with automatic alerts
- 15 month follow up
- Noteworthy Results
  - Clinical time from event to clinical decision was 22 vs. 4.6 days
  - Reduction in mean length of stay per CV hospitalization (4 vs. 3.3 days)
  - Savings of \$1800 / hospitalization



## **ALTITUDE Study**

### Does Remote Follow up Influence Hard Endpoints?



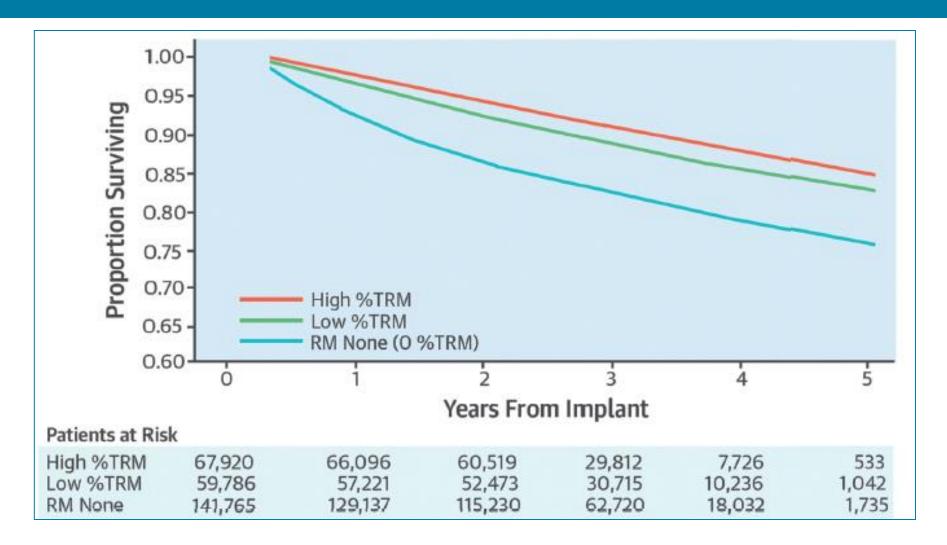


- Significantly increased survival in remotely monitored group by nearly 50%
- Reasons:
  - Earlier notification and intervention
  - Engaged and motivated patients

- 194,000 patients on Boston Scientific Latitude system
- 69,556 on network versus 124,450 with conventional clinic follow up, non-randomized
- Remote transmissions
  - 3-4 times / month
  - Additional clinic visits 2/year

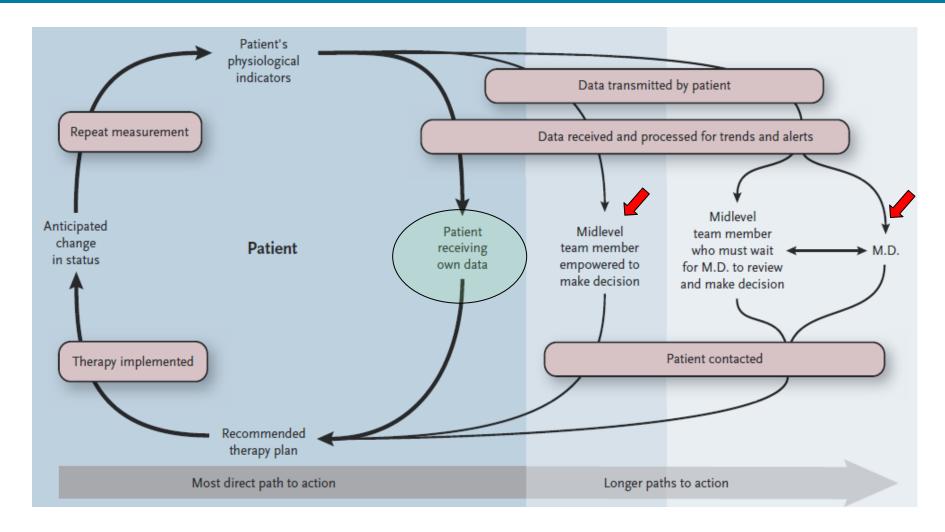
# Extent of Remote Monitoring & Survival

Graded Impact on Outcome (n= 269,471)





# Changing Paradigm within Remote Monitoring





# Summary

### Where are we now?

- Paradigm shift in management of Implantable devices
- Continuous monitoring permits enhanced care
- But still no concrete uniform strategy

### Widespread adoption is inevitable

- Evolution in device-derived sensor strategies will enable patient-centric care
- Clinical outcomes studies underway

#### Where do we need to be?

- Uniformity in practice
- Sensors coupled with remote monitoring integrated into clinical practice, will facilitate personalized medicine
- Additional creation of self-management strategies for patients



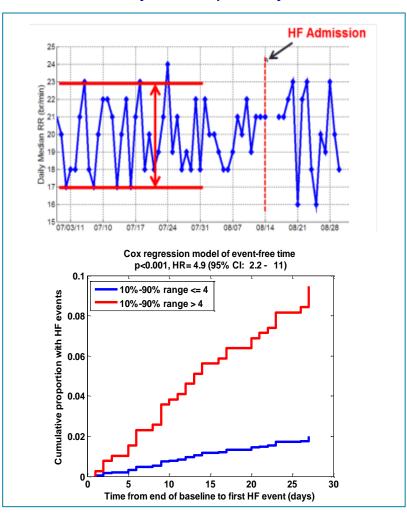
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# New Device Derived Sensor Measures Some Data

#### Variability in Respiratory Rate



#### Audible + Sub audible S3

