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Trattamento delle Apnee Notturne: Più Domande che Risposte

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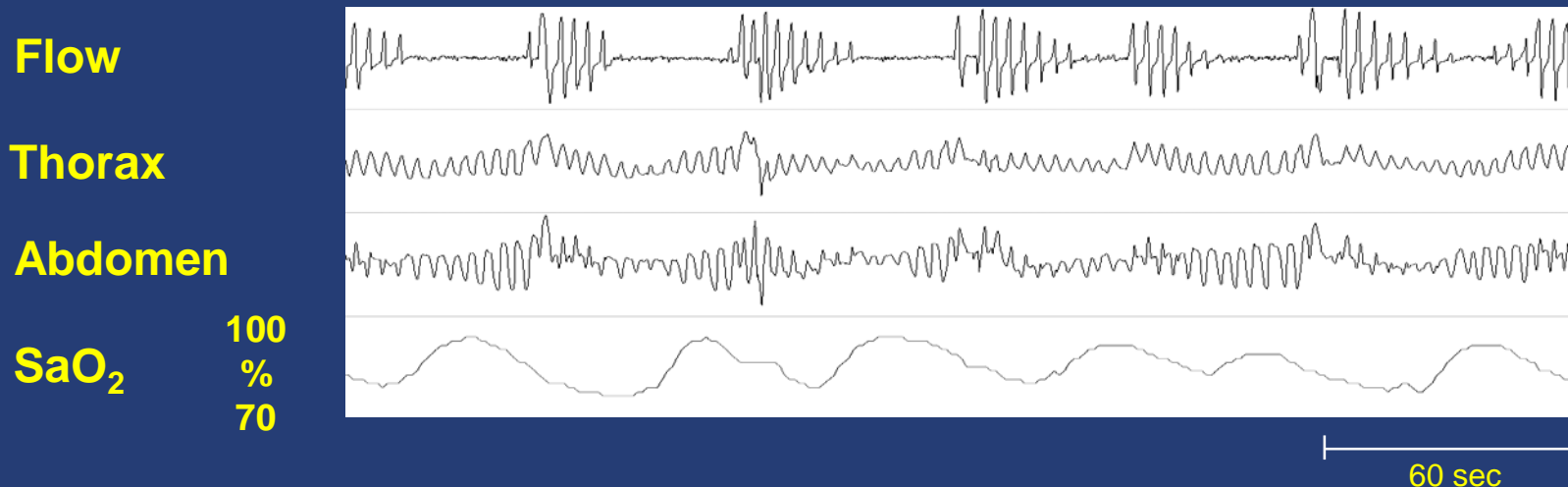
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Clinical Definitions

- **Central apnea**
 - ≥ 10 second cessation of airflow, without effort
- **Obstructive apnea**
 - ≥ 10 second cessation of airflow, while effort continues
- **Hypopnea**
 - 30% reduction in airflow for 10 sec with a 4% fall in oxygen saturation
- **Apnea-Hypopnea Index (AHI)**
 - Number of apneas and hypopneas per hour of sleep
 - Mild (5-14/hour), Moderate (15-29/hour), and Severe (≥ 30 /hour)
- **Arousals**
 - Number of arousals per hour of sleep
- **Oxygen Desaturation Index (ODI) 4%**
 - Number of times oxygen saturation drops by 4% or more per hour

Types of SDB: OSA

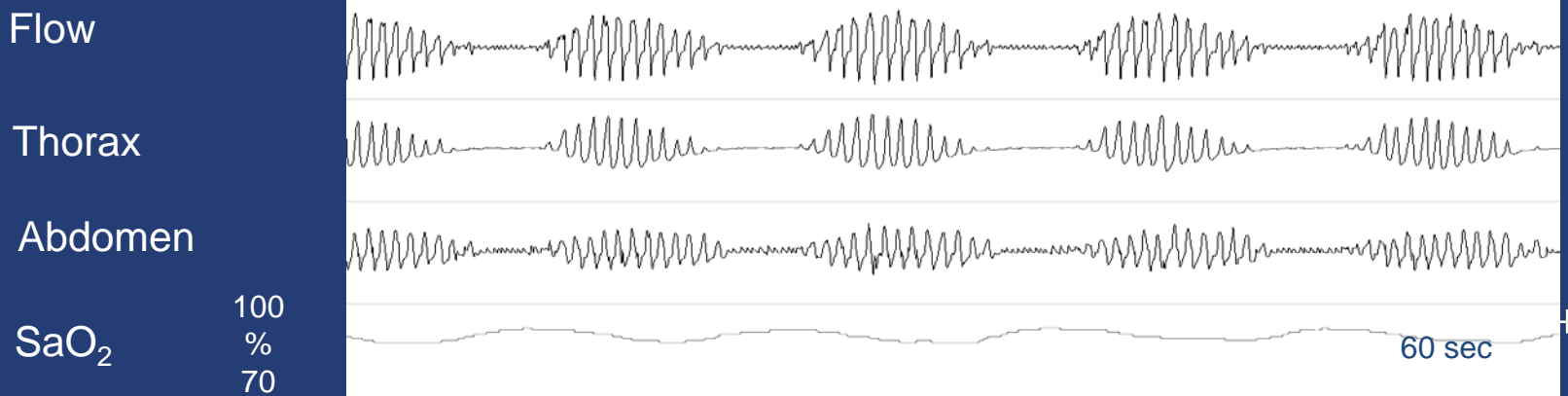
- ▣ Obstructive sleep apnoea (OSA):
 - ≥ 10 second cessation of airflow, while effort continues
 - Most common type of SDB
 - Caused by recurrent collapse of the upper airway
 - Causes intermittent hypoxia, negative intrathoracic pressure swings, sympathetic activation, systemic inflammation, oxidative stress



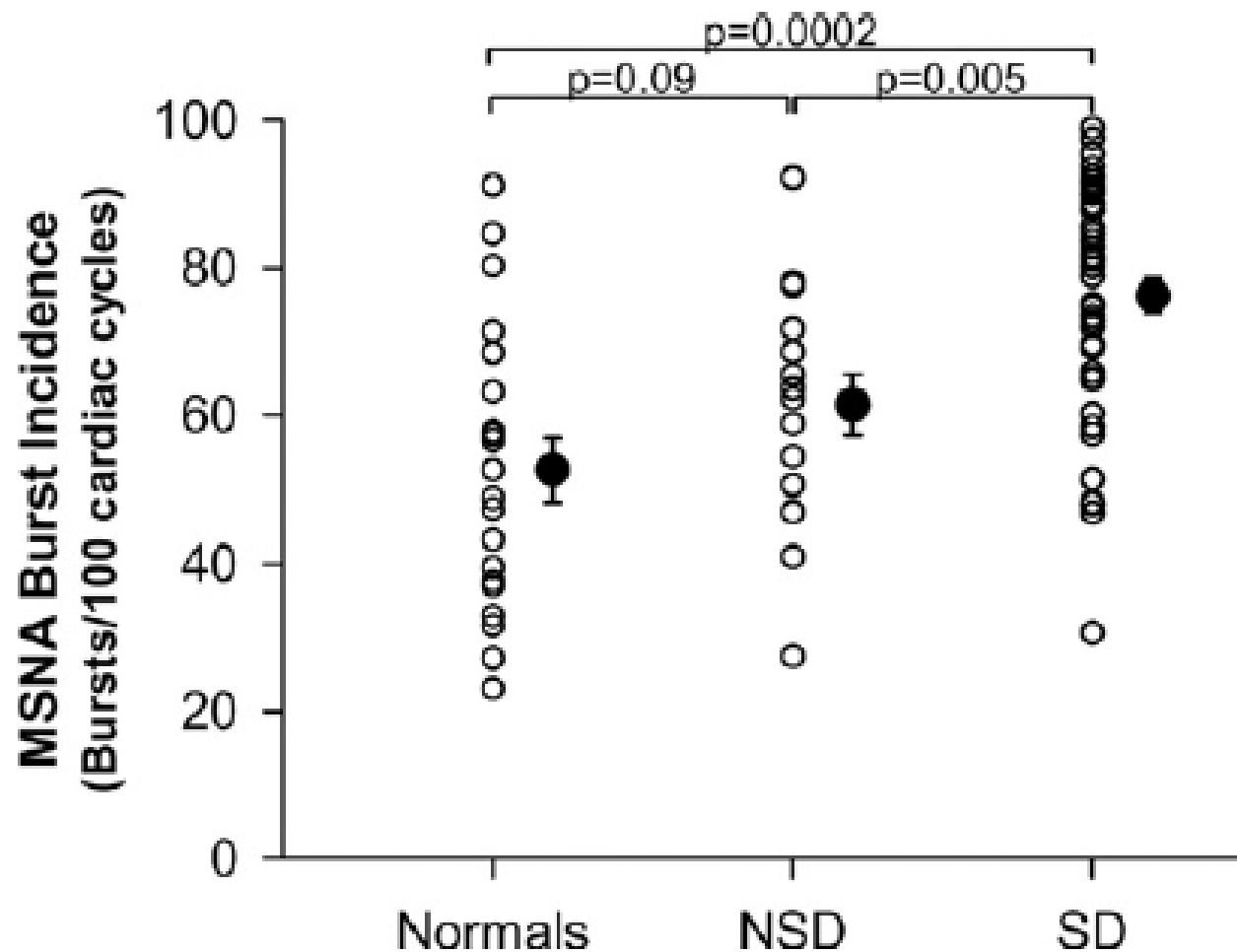
Types of SDB: CSA

- ▣ Central sleep apnoea (CSA):
 - ▣ ≥ 10 second cessation of airflow, without effort
 - Dysregulation of respiratory control (lack of drive to breathe during sleep)
 - Repetitive periods of reduced ventilation
 - May manifest at CSR (central apnoeas alternating with periods of crescendo-decrescendo respiratory tidal volume)

Causes increases sympathetic nervous system activity, greater cardiac electrical instability, low frequency oscillations in heart rate and blood pressure

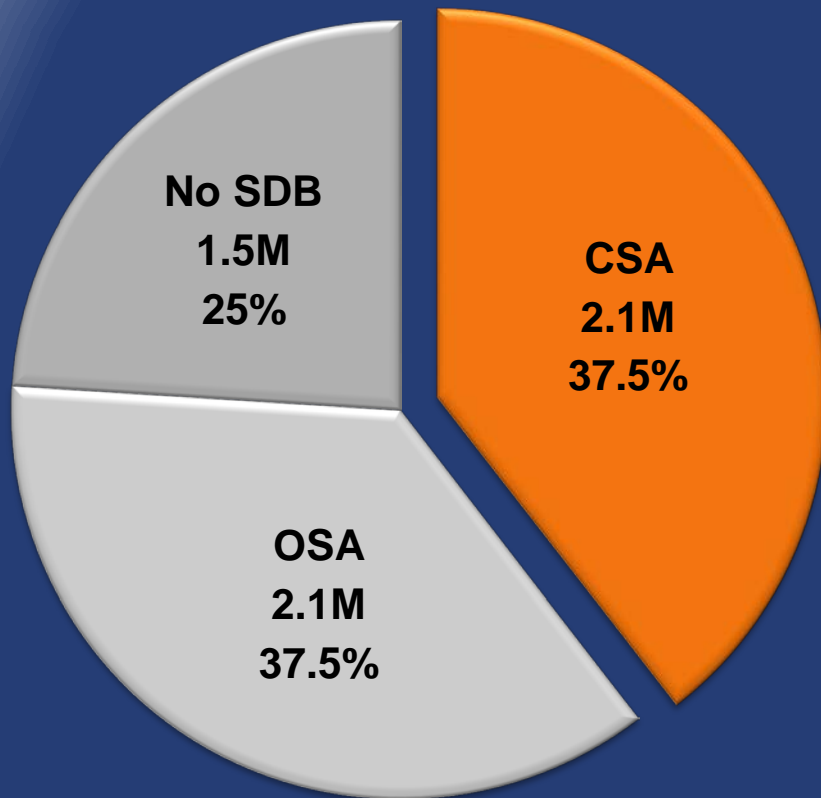


Muscle Sympathetic Burst Incidence at Rest in Subjects With and Without HF

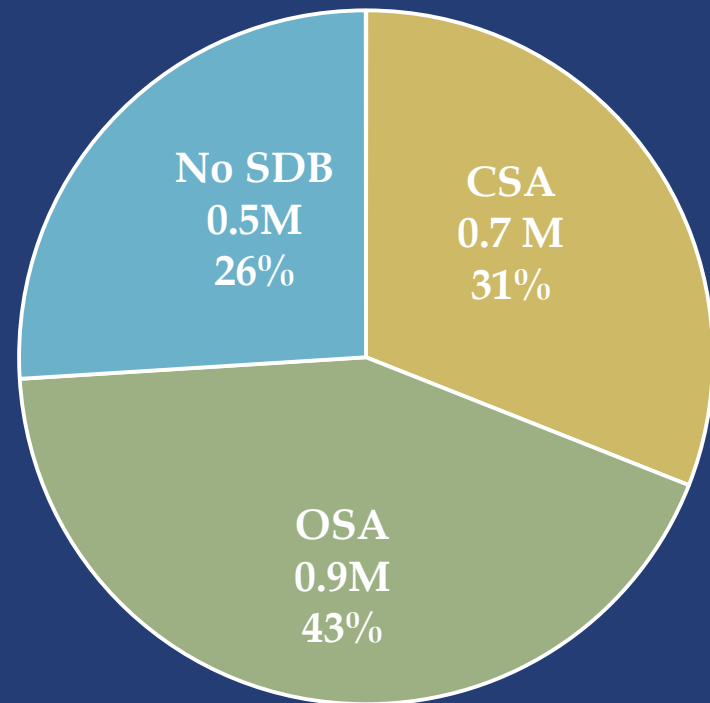


Central Sleep Apnea is Common in Heart Failure and Atrial Fibrillation Patients

**United States
Heart Failure Population
5.7 Million**

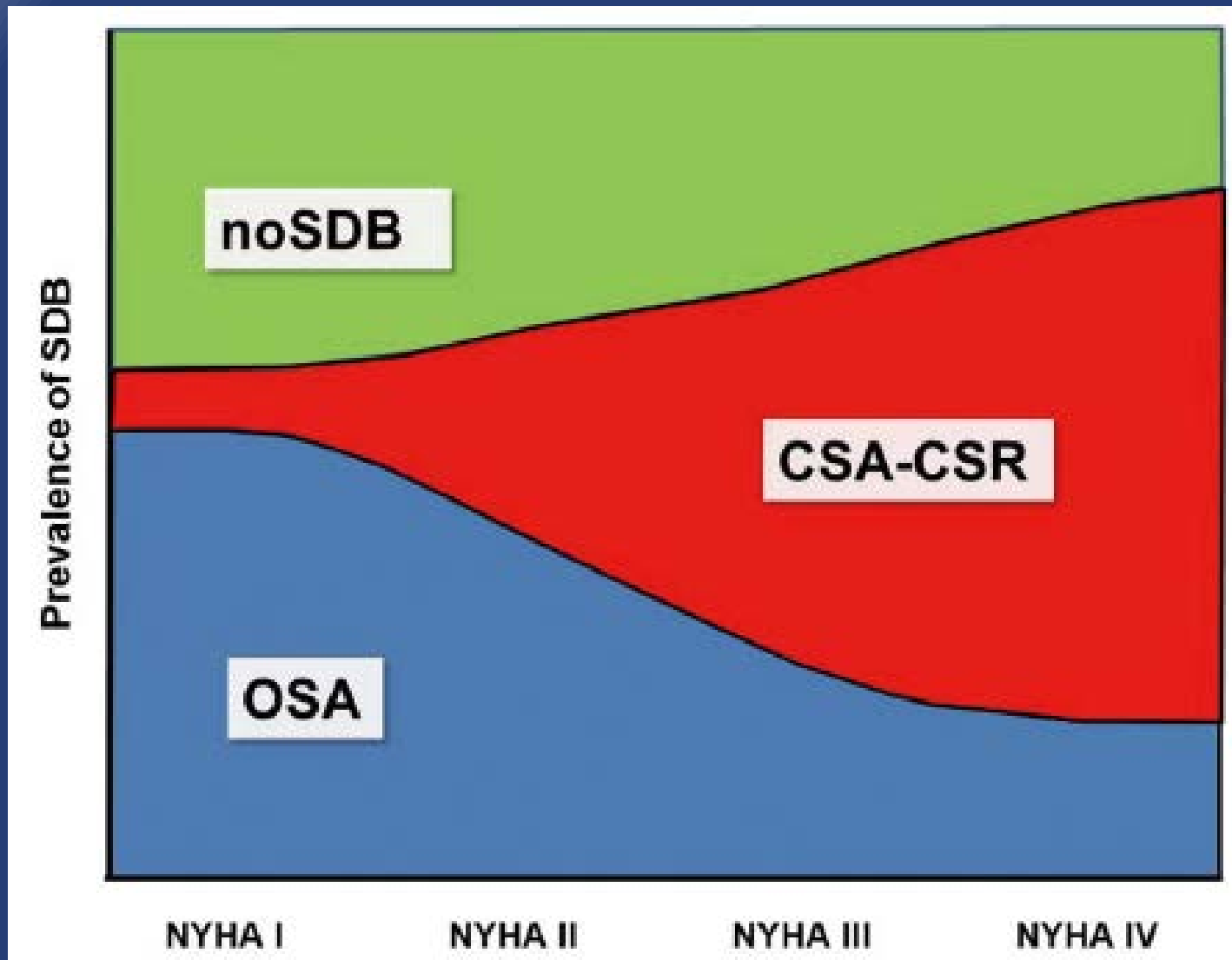


**United States
Atrial Fibrillation Population
2.1 Million**

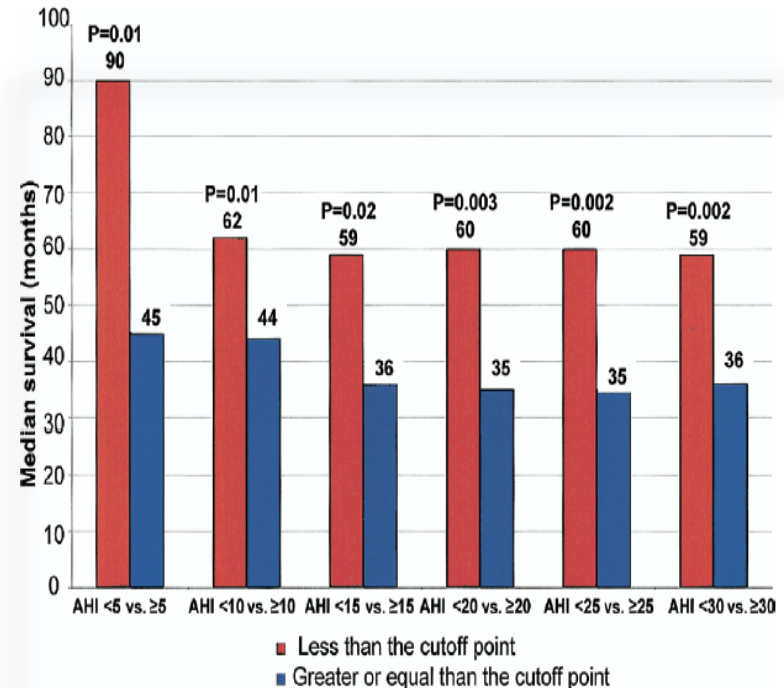
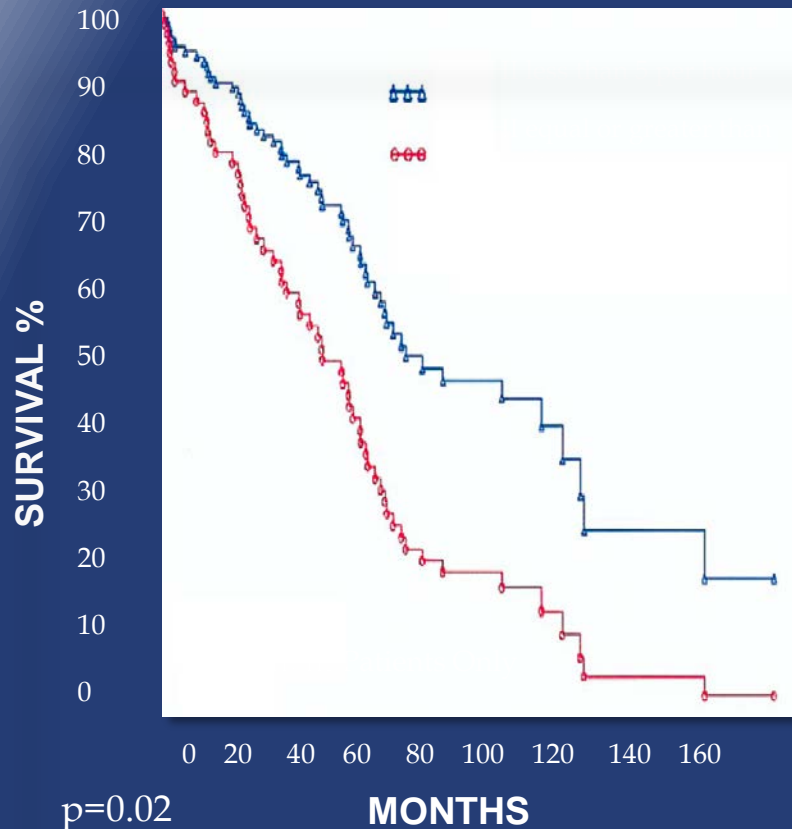


■ CSA ■ OSA ■ No SDB

SDB in Heart Failure



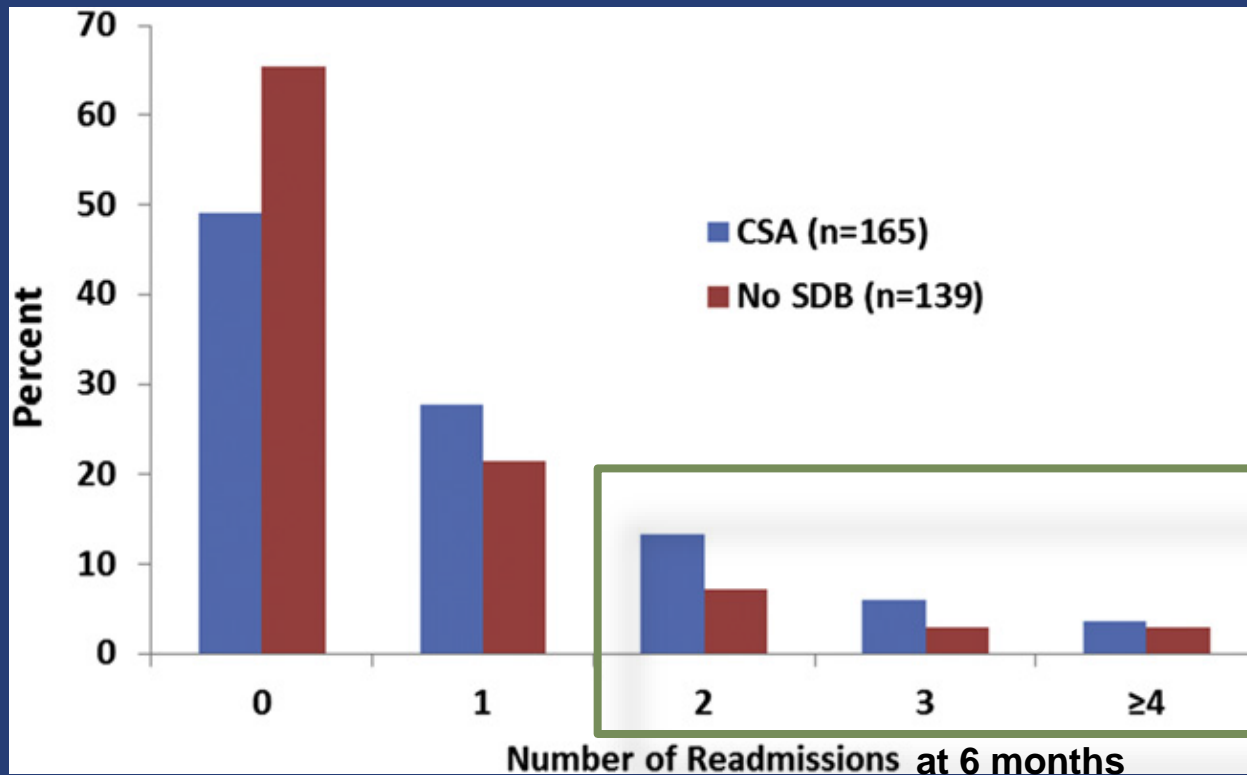
CENTRAL SLEEP APNEA SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASES MORTALITY IN HF PATIENTS



Median Survival of Heart Failure Patients Using Different AHI Cutoff Points

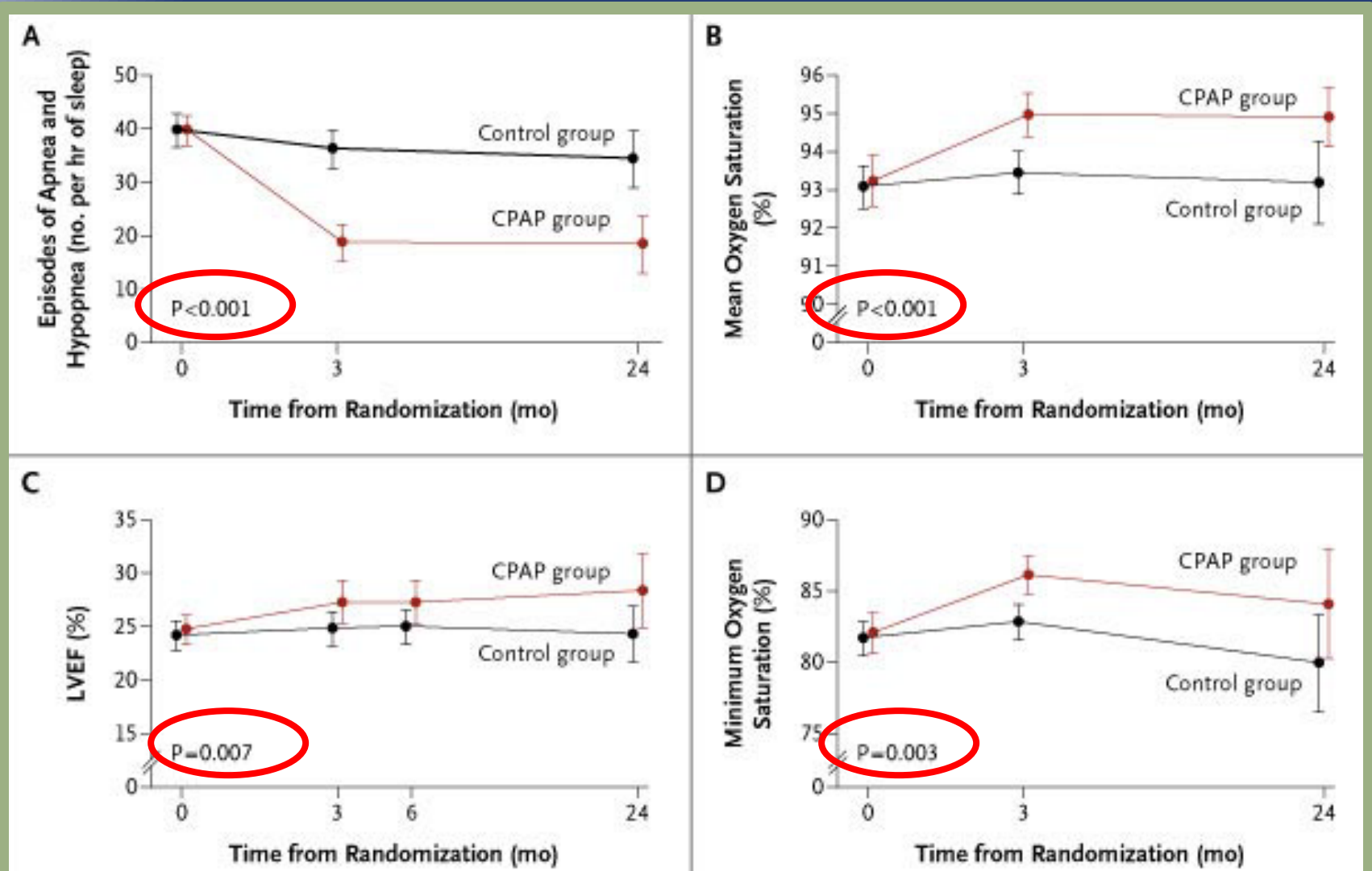
Central Sleep Apnea Increases the Risk for HF Readmissions

*50% of heart failure patients with central sleep apnea were **readmitted** at 6 months*



*Over 25% of heart failure patients with central sleep apnea had **2 or more readmissions** within 6 months*

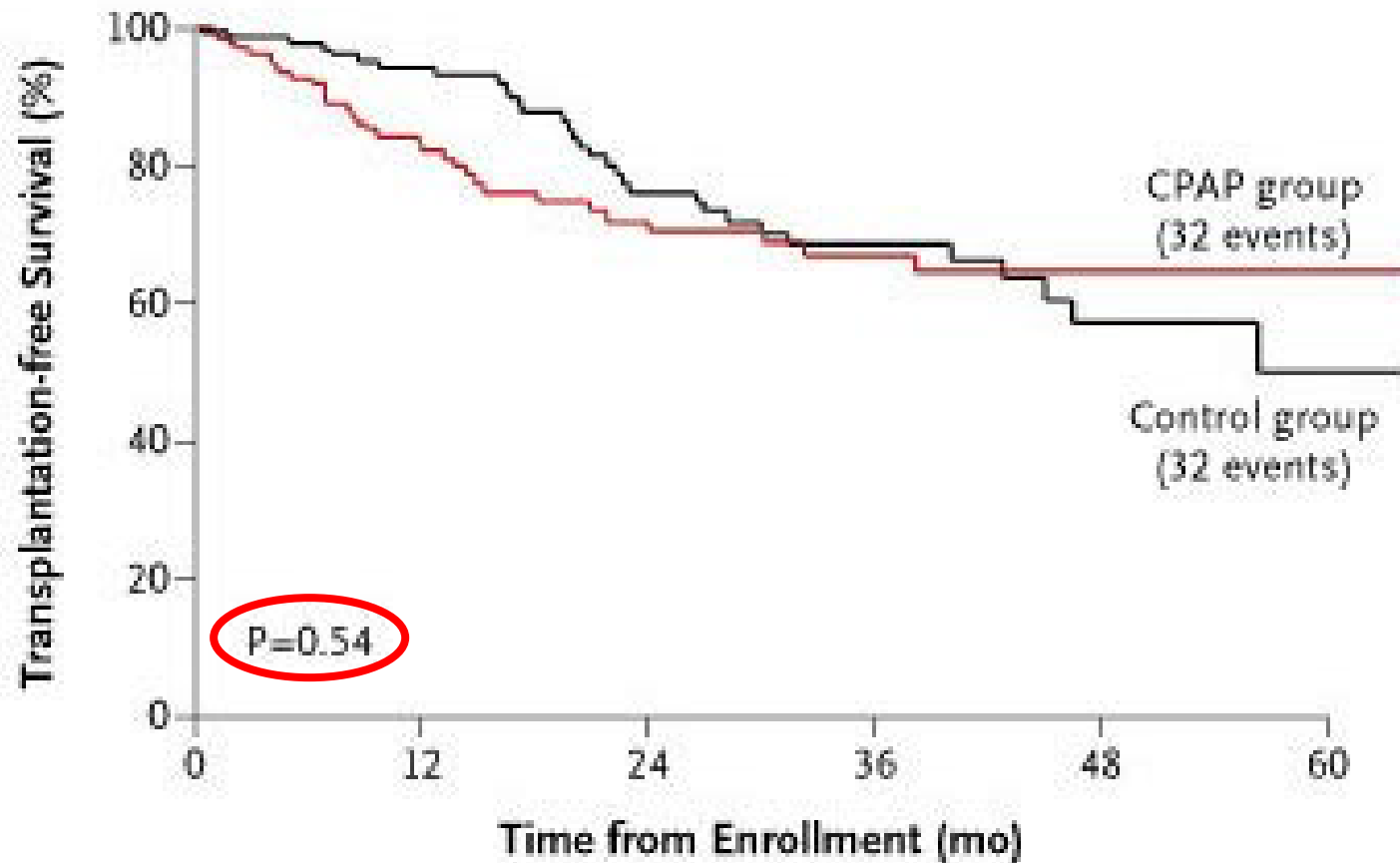
Effect of CPAP on the Frequency of Episodes of Apnea and Hypopnea, Mean and Minimal Nocturnal Oxygen Saturation, and Left Ventricular Ejection Fraction



Canadian Continuous Positive Airway Pressure for Patients with Central Sleep Apnea and Heart Failure Trial (CANPAP)

- Randomized, controlled clinical trial involving 258 HF patients with CSA (mean LVEF= 24.5)
- Hypothesis: Does continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) improve both survival without heart transplantation and cardiovascular function
- Randomized 128 CPAP/130 Control
- Endpoints
 - » Transplant-free survival
 - » EF
 - » Exercise capacity
 - » Quality of life
 - » Neurohormonal changes

Heart-Transplantation-Free Survival

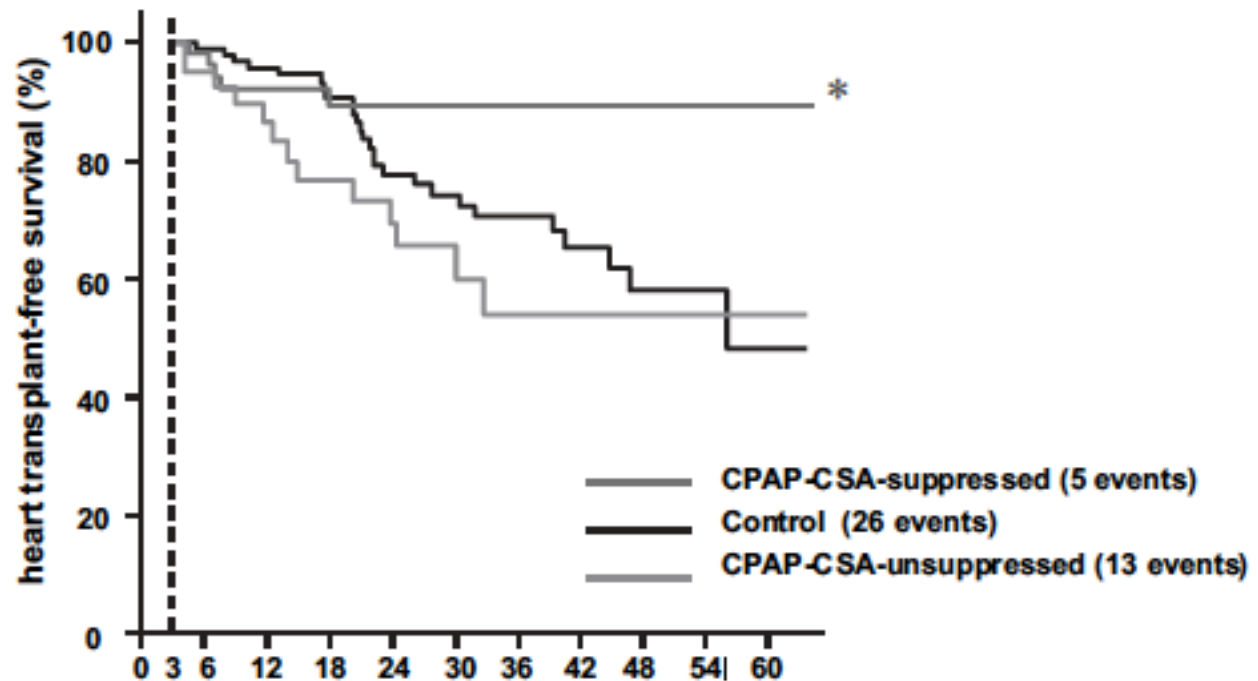


No. at Risk

CPAP group	128	104	79	59	49	42	33	24	20	12	6
Control group	130	117	96	79	59	46	37	27	19	12	4

CANPAP trial : early suppression of CSA by CPAP to an AHI below 15/hr may improve LVEF and transplant-free survival

Artz M et al *Circulation*. 2007;115:3173-3180



number at risk

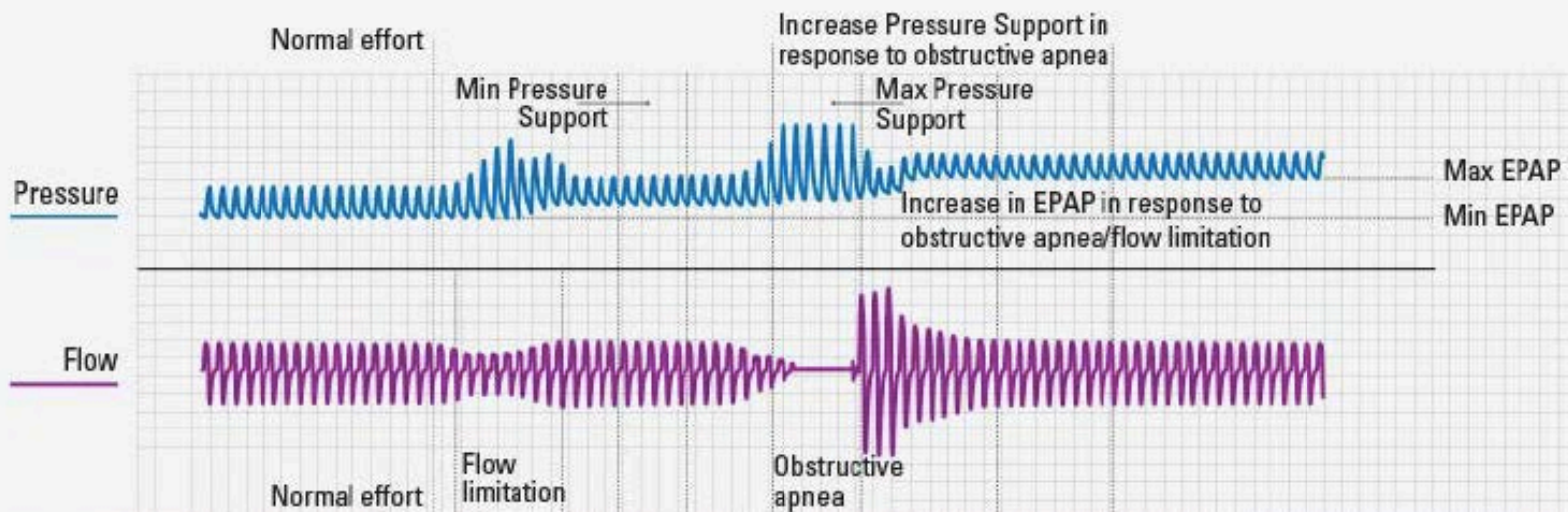
Time from enrollment (mo)

CPAP-CSA-suppressed (n=57)	51	38	31	27	23	21	15	11	7	3
Control (n=110)	99	83	71	50	41	33	22	15	9	3
CPAP-CSA-unsuppressed (n=43)	36	27	22	18	12	9	6	6	4	2

Adaptive Servoventilation

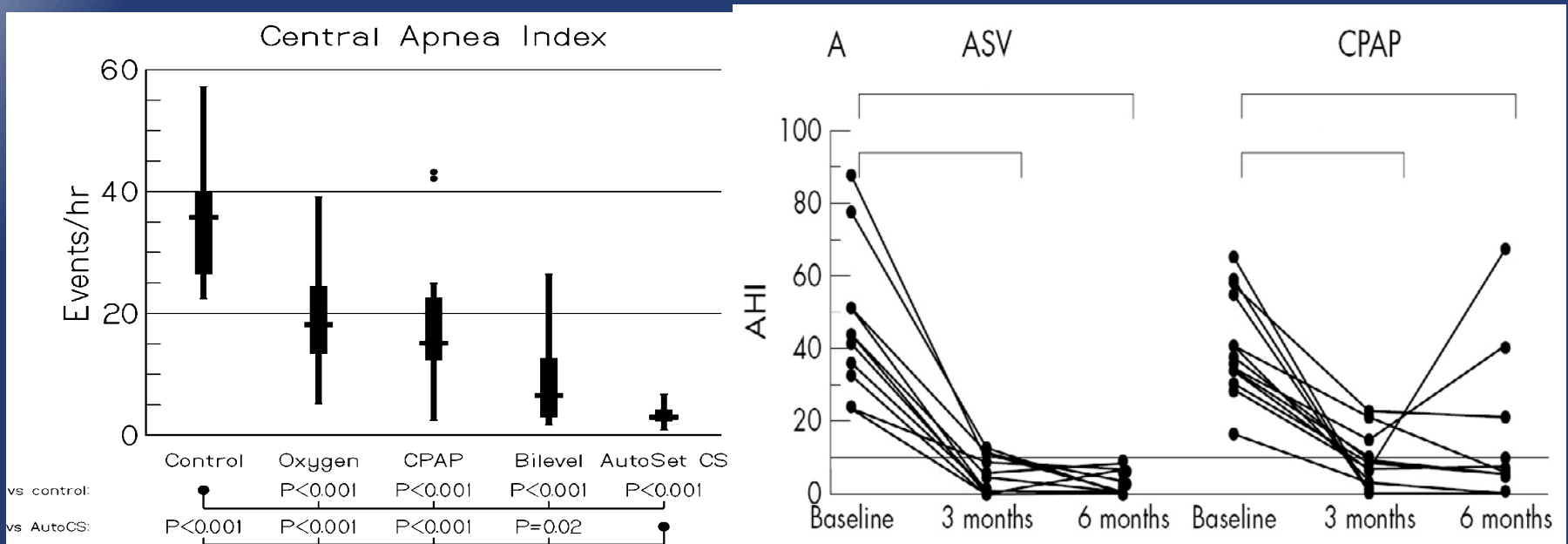
Stabilises breathing and maintains upper airway open.

Continually adjusting inspiratory and expiratory pressure with variable, on-demand, back up rate.



SERVE-HF: Background (3)

- ASV is more effective than CPAP for treating CSA/CSR



- HF patients comply better with ASV vs CPAP therapy
- Patients prefer ASV over both CPAP and bilevel PAP

ASV STUDIES: SERVE-HF

- ✓ CSA patients only with heart failure (completed 12/14)
 - ✓ Heart failure, EF < 45%, AHI > 15, ≥ 50% central events
- ✓ 1100 patients (approximately 800 patients enrolled)
- ✓ All cause mortality or heart failure hospitalization
- ✓ Secondary endpoints
 - ✓ Time to first shock
 - ✓ NYHA
 - ✓ MLWHF
 - ✓ Renal Function
 - ✓ 6 Min Hall Walk Test
- ✓ Denmark, France, Germany, Norway, Sweden, UK

SERVE-HF: Baseline

	Control (n=659)	ASV (n=666)
Age, years	69.3±10.4	69.6±9.5
Male	90.0%	89.9%
NYHA class III or IV, n (%)	70.3%	70.5%
LVEF, %	32.5±8.0	32.2±7.9
Ischaemic HF aetiology, n (%)	57.0%	59.7%
Implanted device, n (%)	55.2%	54.5%
eGFR, mL/min/1.73m ²	59.3±20.8	57.8±21.1
Six-minute walk distance, m	337.9±127.5	334.0±126.4
ACEI/ARB, n (%)	91.5%	92.0%
β-blockers, n (%)	92.7%	91.9%
Antiarrhythmics, n (%)	13.5%	19.2%

p=0.005

Baseline Respiratory Characteristics

	Control (n=659)	ASV (n=666)
AHI, /h	31.7±13.2	31.2±12.7
cAI/total AHI, %	46.5±30.0	44.6±28.9
cAHI/total AHI, %	81.8±15.7	80.8±15.5
Desaturation index (3%), /h	32.8±19.0	32.1±17.7
Average SaO ₂ , %	92.8±2.5	92.8±2.3
Minimum SaO ₂ , %	80.3±7.5	80.7±7.0
Time with SaO ₂ <90%, min	55.7±73.9	50.5±68.2
Epworth Sleepiness Scale score	7.1±4.6	7.0±4.3

Adherence and CSA Control

- ▣ **ASV effectively controlled sleep-disordered breathing:**
 - Mean AHI 31.2/h at baseline, decreased to 6.2–6.8/h during 48 months' treatment ($p < 0.001$ vs baseline)
 - Mean central AHI 25.2/h at baseline, decreased to 3.2–4.0/h during 48 months' treatment ($p < 0.001$ vs baseline)
 - Mean ODI 32.1/h at baseline, decreased to 8.6–9.9/h during 48 months' treatment ($p < 0.001$ vs baseline)
- ▣ **ASV usage for ≥ 3 h/night in 60% of patients**
 - Usage rates constant over time (mean 3.9 and 3.7 h/night at 3 and 48 months, respectively)

ASV Device Performance

Device pressures:

Median IPAP 9.7 cmH₂O first night, and constant at 9.6–10.1 cmH₂O during 48 months' treatment

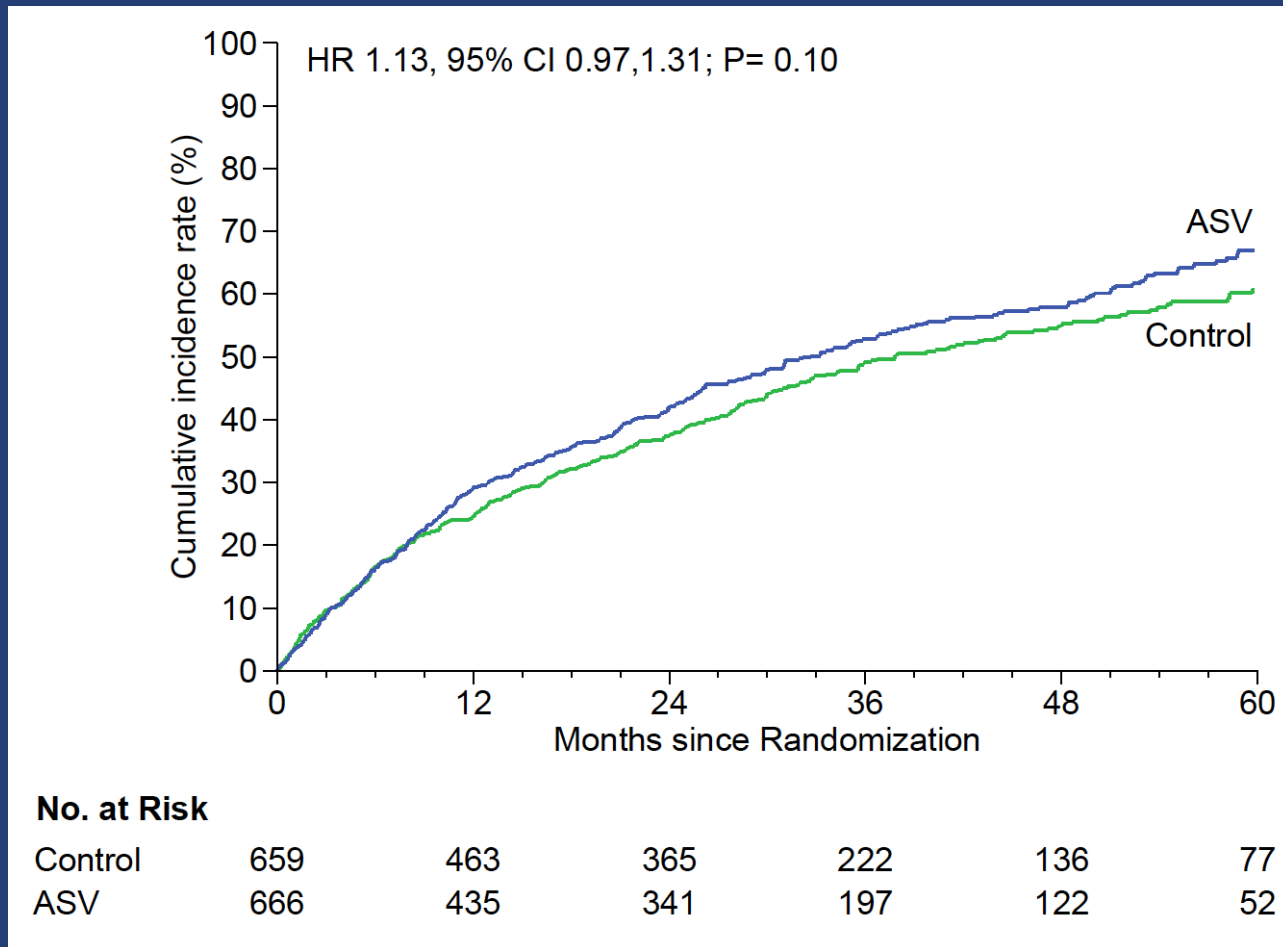
Median EPAP 5.5 cmH₂O first night, and constant at 5.5–6.1 cmH₂O during 48 months' treatment

Mask leak:

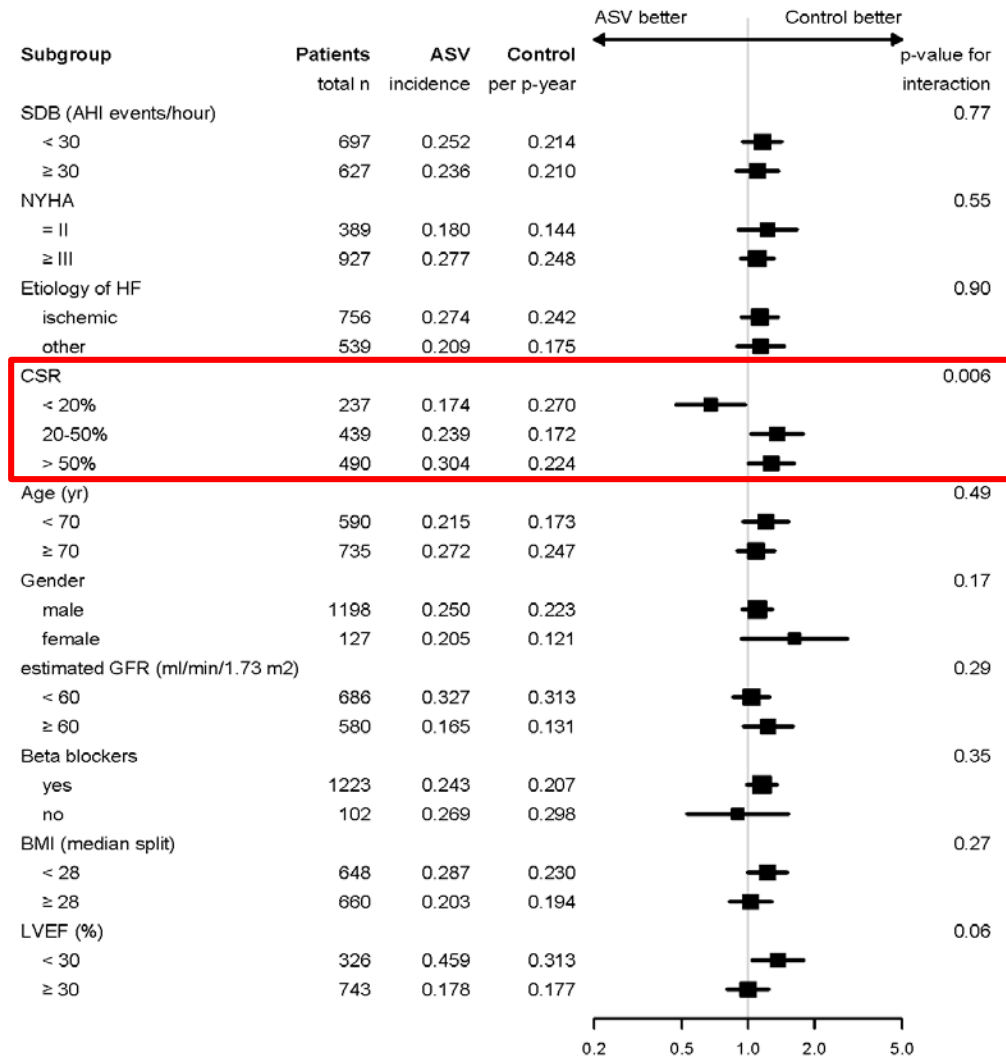
95th percentile 21.7 L/min first night, and reduced over time to 16.1–18.8 L/min during 48 months' treatment

Primary Endpoint Neutral

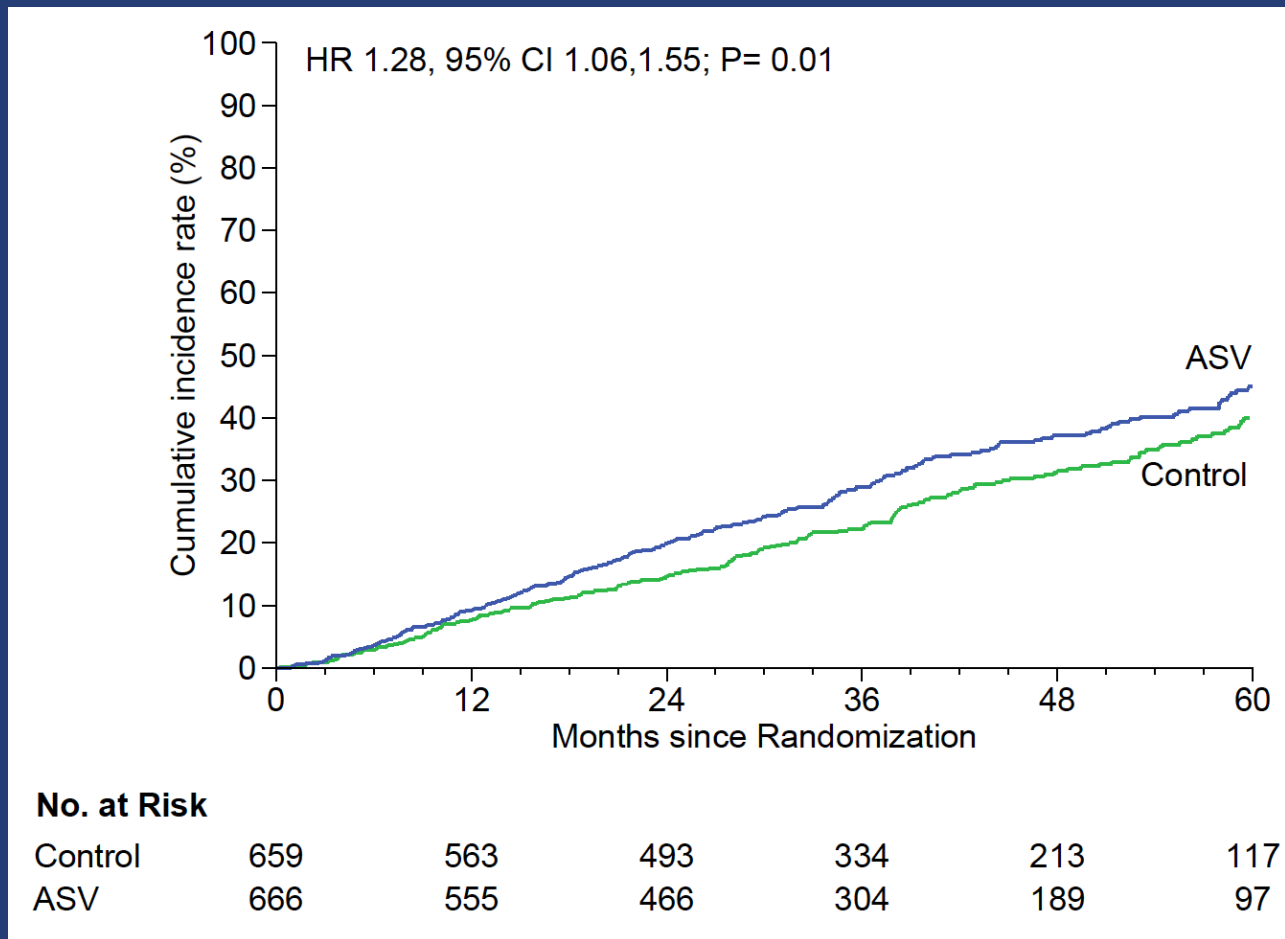
Time to first event of all-cause death, life-saving cardiovascular intervention, or unplanned hospitalization for worsening chronic HF



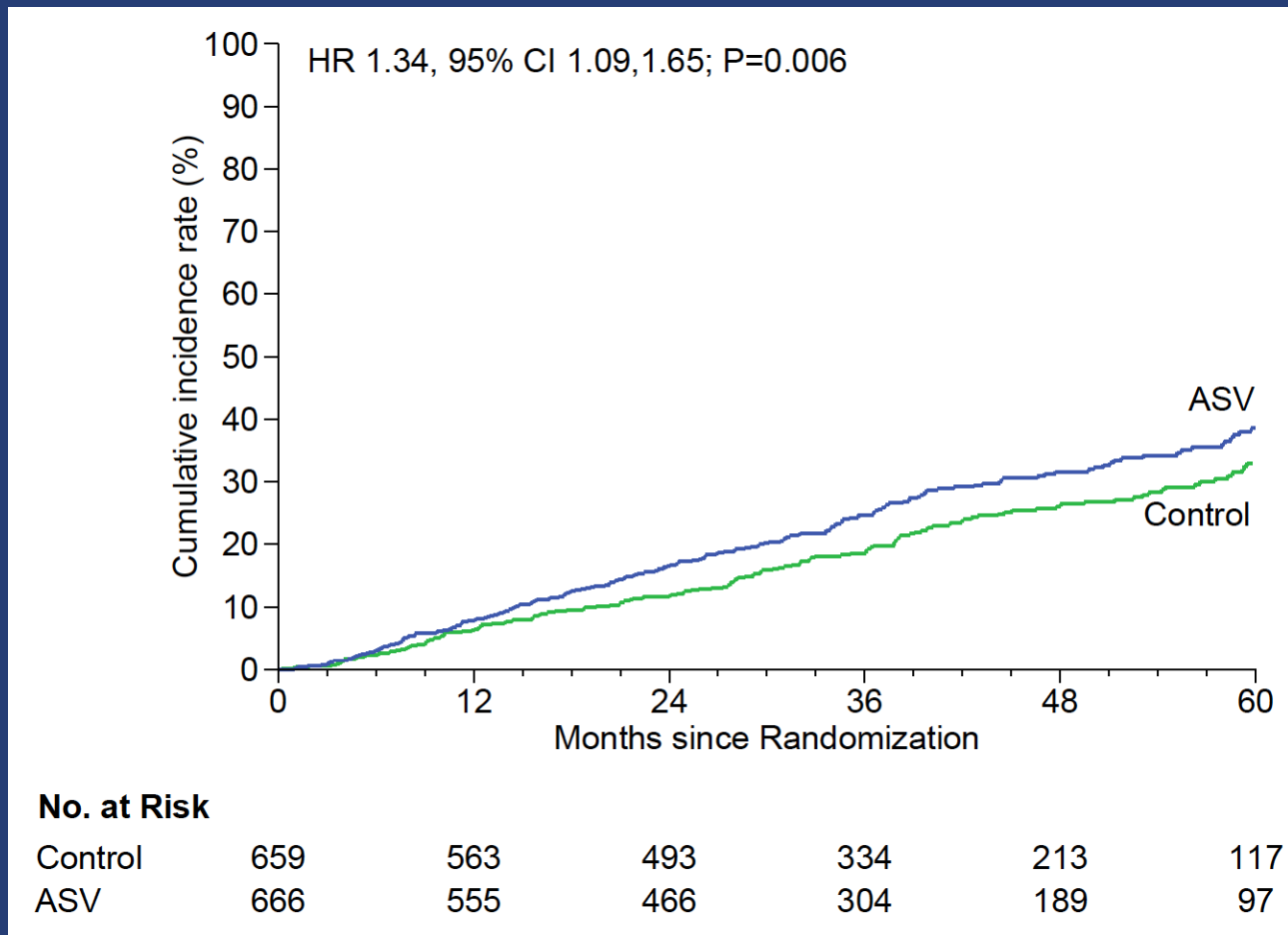
Subgroup Analysis: 1° Endpoint



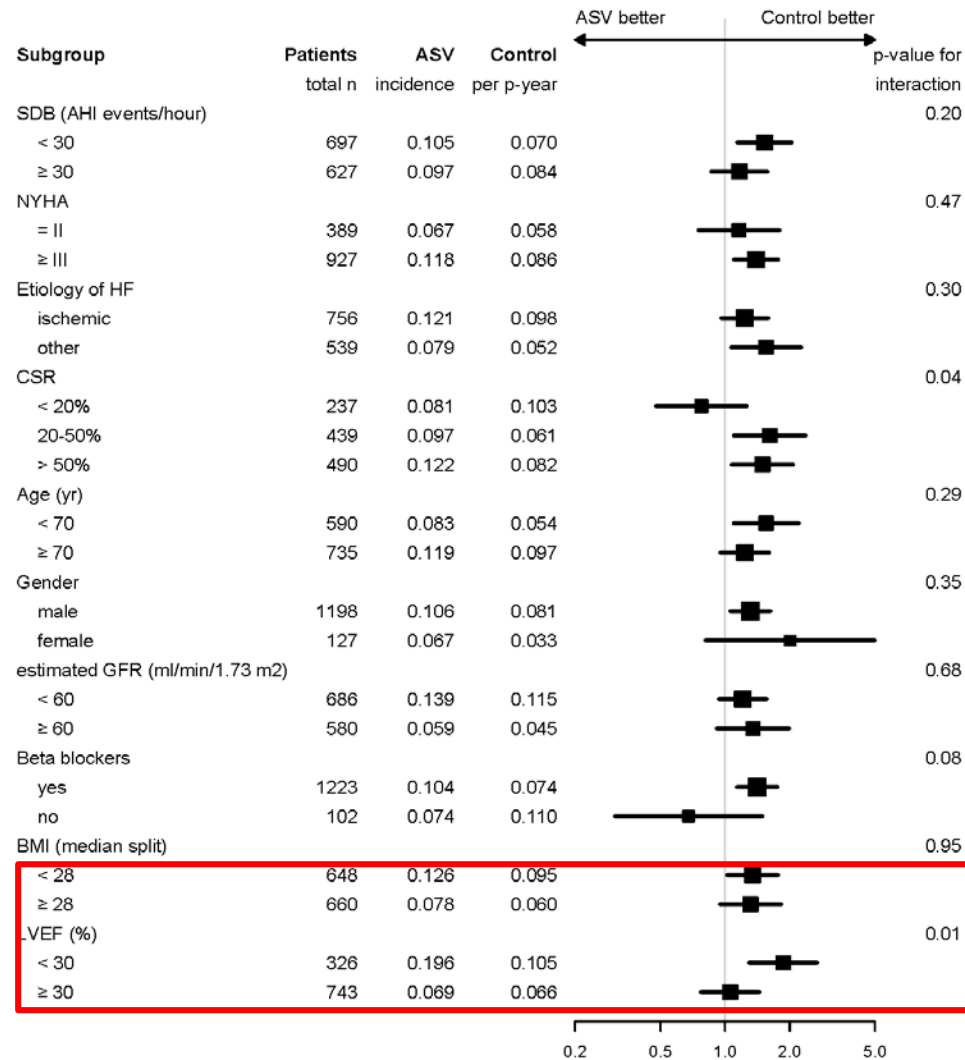
All-Cause Death



Cardiovascular Death



Subgroup Analysis: CV Death

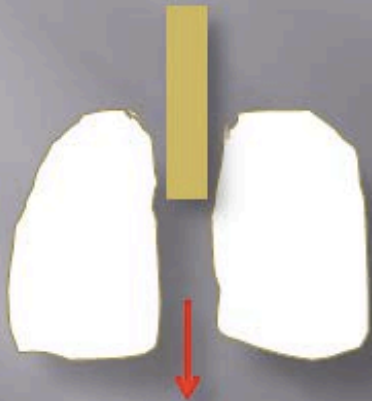


CURRENT ASV STUDIES: CAT-HF

- ✓ CSA and OSA patients with heart failure
 - ✓ Testing in the hospital and starting on ASV therapy prior to leaving the hospital
 - ✓ Survival free from CV hospitalization and 6 MHW composite
 - ✓ AHI > 15
 - ✓ 215 patient randomized to therapy vs. control
- ✓ Germany and US

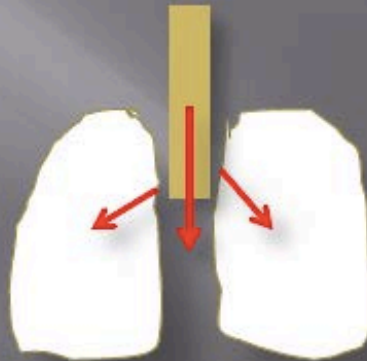
COMPARISON OF NORMAL INSPIRATION WITH CSA THERAPIES

Normal
Breathing



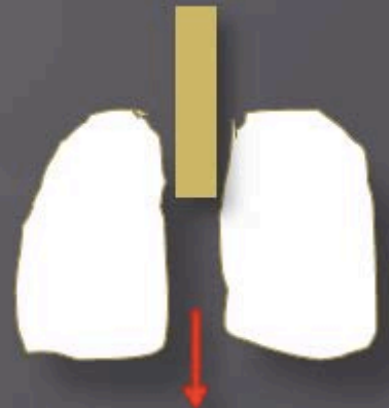
Diaphragm ***pulls*** air
into the lungs

Mask Therapies
(ASV, CPAP)



Ventilation ***pushes*** air into
the lungs via
positive intrathoracic
pressure

Remedē®
System



The remedē® System
pulls air into the lungs
using the same
mechanism of action as
normal breathing

HOW IS THE REMEDĒ® SYSTEM IMPLANTED?

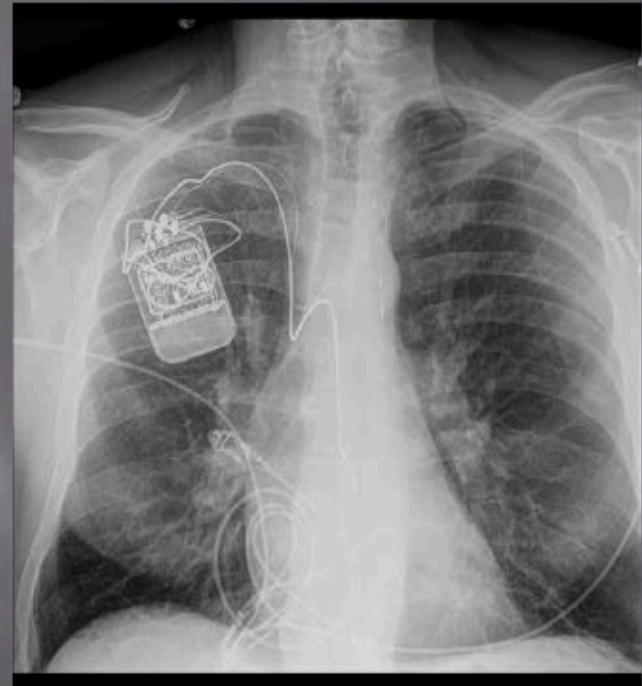
The **remedē®** System implant takes place in the **EP laboratory** by cardiologists experienced with CRT

Light sedation is used to keep patients comfortable

The device is placed **under the skin** in either the right or left chest

A **stimulation lead** is placed either in the left pericardiophrenic or right brachiocephalic vein

A second lead to **sense respiration** is placed in the azygos vein

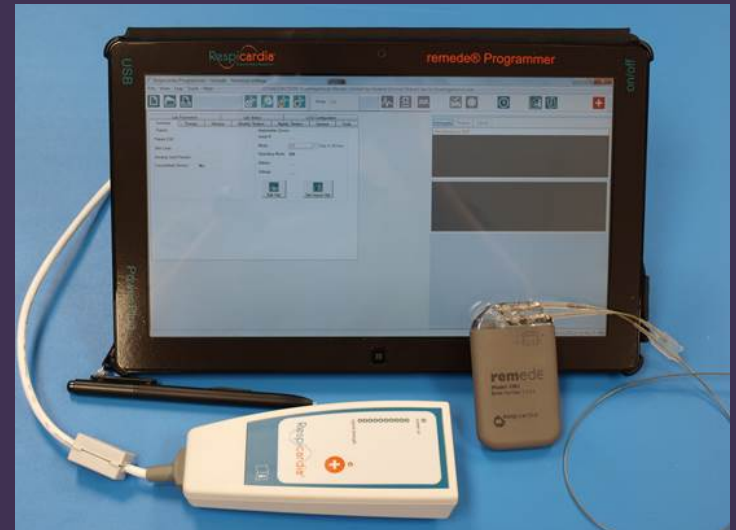


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AVAILABLE FOR SALE IN THE EU/EEA.

A New Option for Treating Central Sleep Apnea: The remedē® System Therapy

The remedē® System is:

- ❖ A **neurostimulation** technology (Respiratory Rhythm Management™) which provides unilateral stimulation of the phrenic nerve
- ❖ Designed to restore **normal sleep and breathing** to patients with central sleep apnea by stabilizing CO₂
- ❖ A fully implantable **transvenous system** which activates automatically when the patient sleeps



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How does the remedē[®] System Activate Therapy?

Is it the Scheduled Sleep Time?

Is the Activity level below Activity Threshold?

Is the patient in sleeping posture (below Pitch Threshold)?

Is the Stimulation Lead Impedance within acceptable limits?

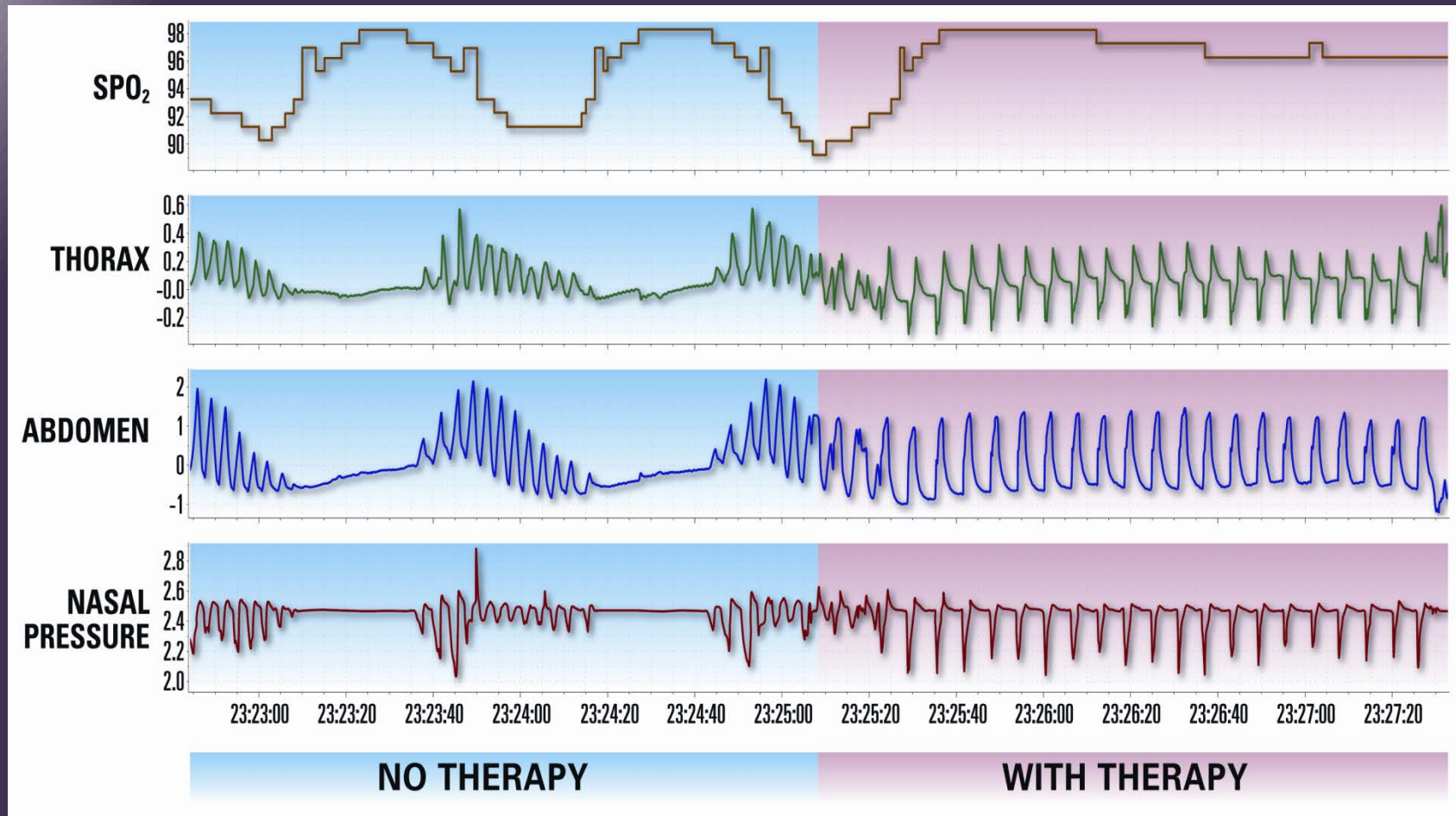
Is therapy delivery time less than maximum?

All Yes

**Therapy
Automatically
Starts**

Acute Feasibility Study

remedē[®] System Therapy Activated



Acute Feasibility Study – Patient Characteristics

Patients on optimal medical therapy

Demographics (N=16)	Mean \pm SD or % of patients
Age	57 \pm 12 years
Male	100%
Heart rate (bpm)	73 \pm 17
Atrial fibrillation	19%
BMI	27.5 \pm 3.3
NYHA Class I/II/III	19% / 50% / 31%
LVEF	30% \pm 12%
Ischemic	44%
ICD/Pacemaker	25%

Medications	% of patients
Beta-blockers	94%
ACE-I/ARB	88%
Diuretic	100%
Aldosterone Antagonist	56%
Statin	67%
Digoxin	18%
Anti-coagulant	44%
Anti-Diabetic	25%

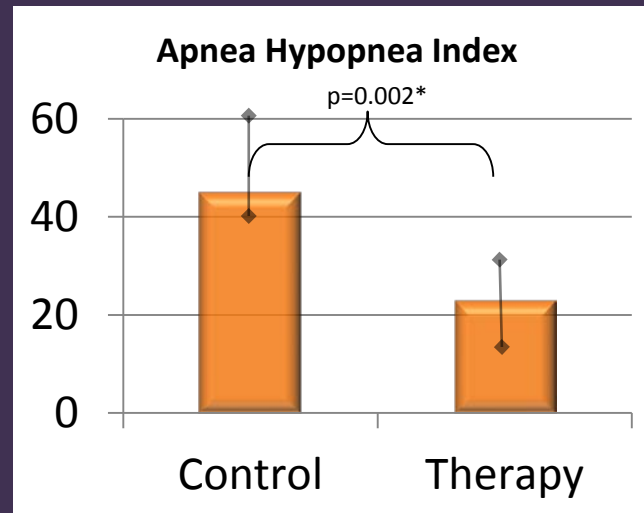
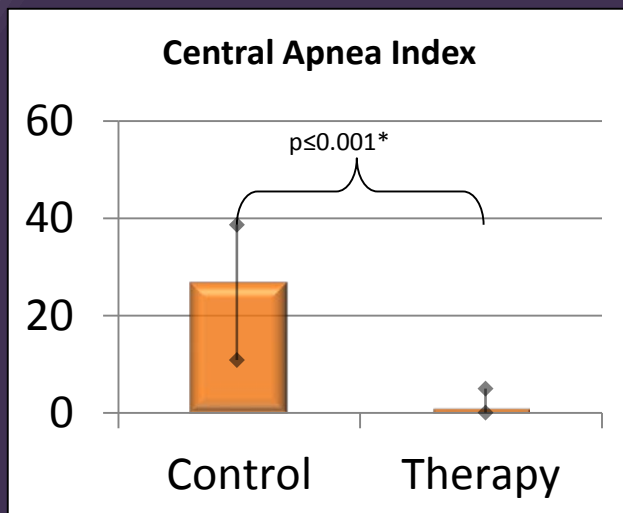
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Acute Feasibility Study - Clinical Results

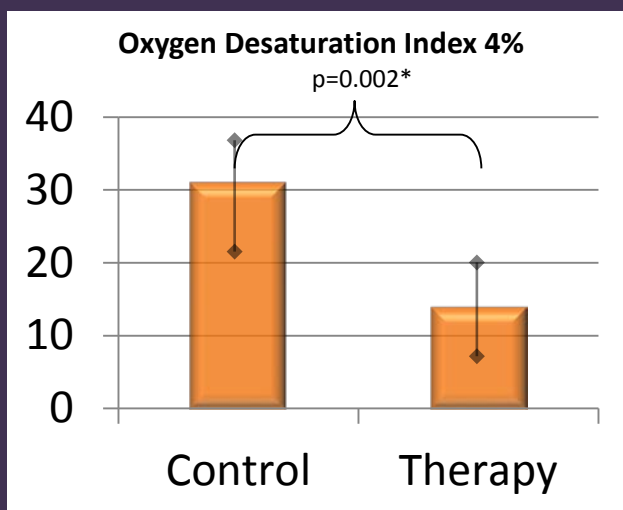
All values are medians with corresponding inter-quartile ranges and expressed as events/hour.

↓ 90%

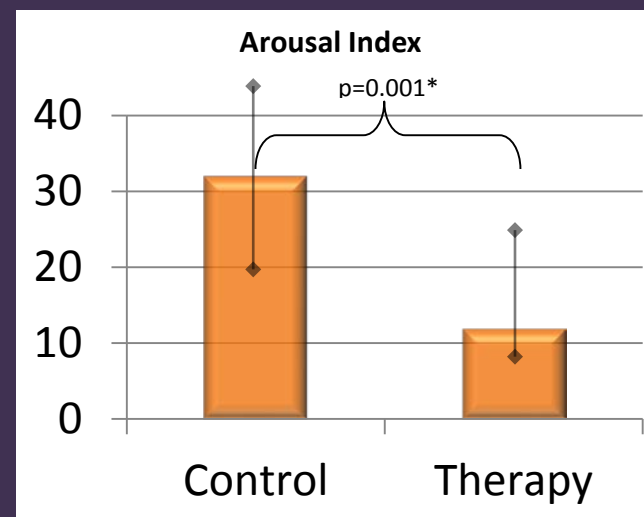
15/16 patients had ≥ 70% reduction in CAI



↓ 48%



↓ 50%



↓ 49%

*Wilcoxon matched pair signed ranks test

The **remedē**[®] System Pivotal Trial

PATIENT POPULATION

Randomized (n=151)

Intention-to-Treat Population

Treatment
(n=73)

Control
(n=78)

6 Month
ITT Primary Effectiveness
(n=68)

6 Month
ITT Primary Effectiveness
(n=73)

Subjects without results (n=5)

- Unrelated death (n=2)
- Patient exit (n=1)
- Missed visit (n=1)
- Medical issues (n=1)

Subjects without results (n=5)

- Unrelated death (n=2)
- Patient exit (n=2)
- Lost to follow-up (n=1)

Per Protocol defined exclusion criteria
(n=6)

- Unsuccessful implant (n=2)
- Failed/missing inclusion criteria (n=3)
- Therapy programmed off (n=1)

Without 6 Month PSG results (n=4)

- Device explant (n=3)
- Missed visit (n=1)

Per-protocol Population

6 Month
Secondary hierarchically
tested endpoints
(n=58)

6 Month
Secondary hierarchically
tested endpoints
(n=73)

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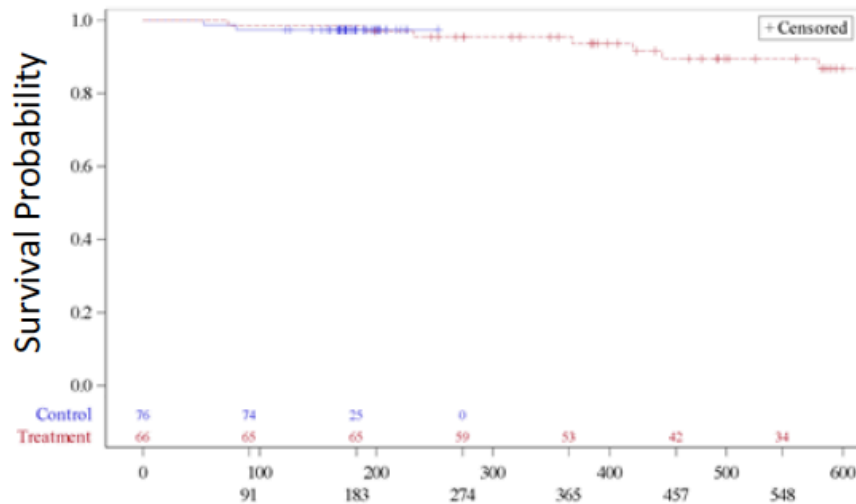
ENDPOINTS

ENDPOINT	DESCRIPTION	POPULATION
Primary Effectiveness (6 months)	Comparison of the proportion of subjects with $\geq 50\%$ reduction in AHI between treatment and control	Intention to Treat (ITT)
Primary Safety (12 months)	Freedom from serious adverse events associated with implant, the remedē system, or delivered therapy	Intention to Treat
Secondary Hierarchical (6 months)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Central Apnea Index (CAI) 2. Apnea Hypopnea Index (AHI) 3. Arousal Index (Ari) 4. Rapid Eye Movement (REM) 5. Patient Global Assessment (PGA) 6. Oxygen Desaturation Index 4% (ODI4) 7. Epworth Sleepiness Scale (ESS) 	Per-protocol

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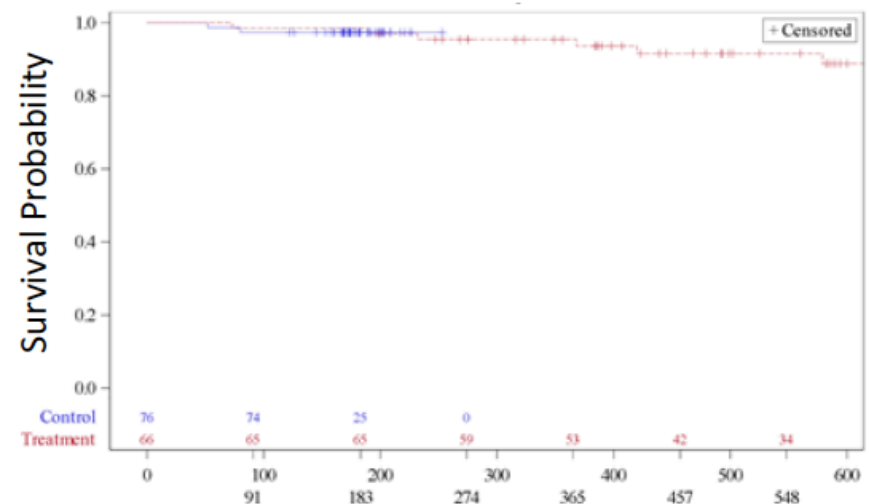
SAFETY

Kaplan-Meier Curve of Time to Death (ITT)



Days from Therapy Initiation Visit

Kaplan-Meier Curve of Time to Cardiovascular Death (ITT)



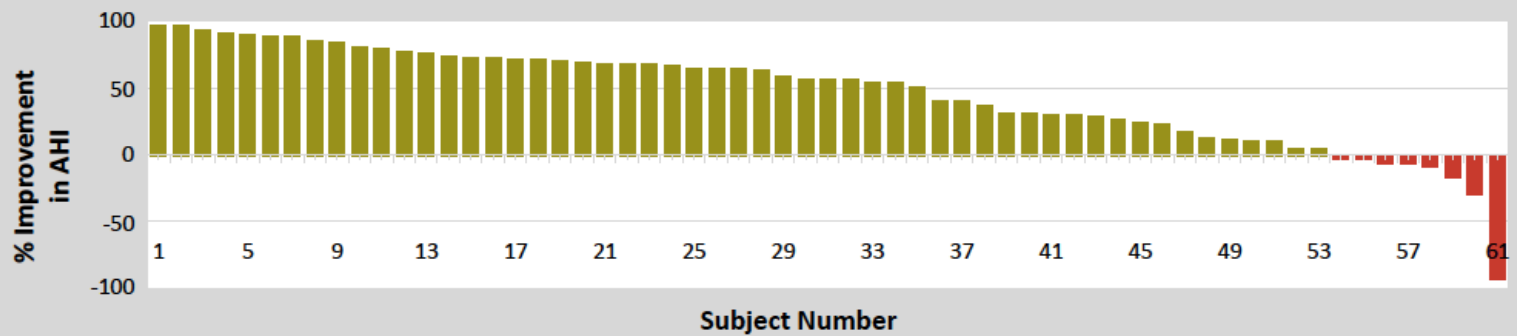
Days from Therapy Initiation Visit

GROUP — Control
 - - - Treatment

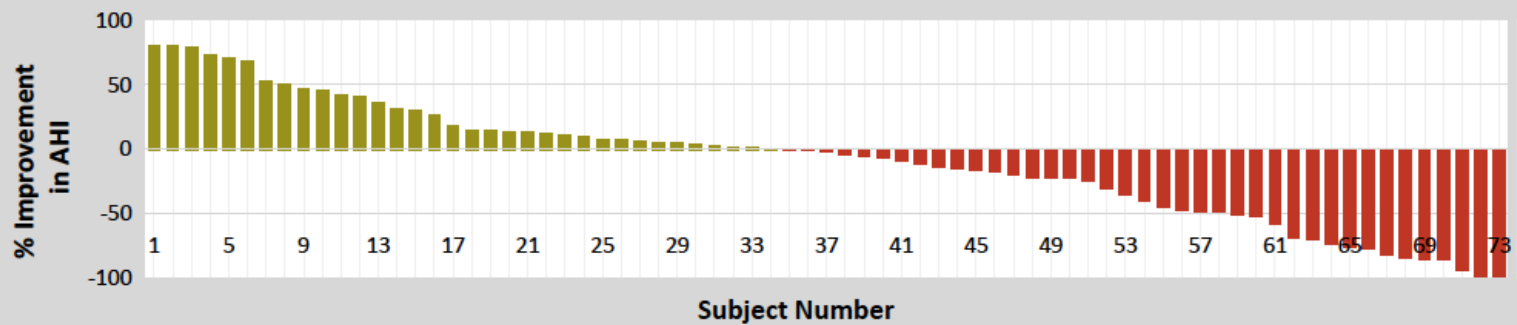
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87% OF TREATMENT PATIENTS DEMONSTRATED AN AHI IMPROVEMENT

TREATMENT



CONTROL



Improvement from baseline



Decline from baseline

Conclusions

- ▣ Both OSA and CSA are highly prevalent in patients with HF and significantly increase their morbidity and mortality.
- ▣ Screening for SDB should be included in evaluation of all patients with HF.
- ▣ In HF patients with OSA mask-based therapies have consistently improved both clinical signs/symptoms and outcomes.
- ▣ In HF patients with CSA CPAP improves symptoms/signs but not transplant-free survival.
- ▣ Trials of ASV in HF patients with CSA neutral.
- ▣ Phrenic nerve stimulation appears safe for the treatment of CSA and is currently being evaluated in a multicenter, randomized clinical trial.