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News from Valves Guidelines 2012: What's new and Why?

Primary Mitral Regurgitation

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What is new in 2012?

The term primary replaces structural / organic



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Echocardiographic criteria for the definition of severe MR: an integrative approach

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Qualitative Mitral valve morphology

Colour flow MR jet (should no longer be measured)

Flow convergence zone

CW signal of MR jet

Flail leaflet/ ruptured PMs

Severe

Very large central jet or eccentric jet adhering, swirling and reaching the posterior LA wall

Large

Dense/Triangular

Lancellotti et al, Eur J Echo 2010



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Parameters	Severe	
Semi-quantitative VC width (mm)	≥ 7 (>8 for biplane)	
Pulmonary vein flow	Systolic flow reversal	
Mitral inflow	E wave dominant (>1.5 m/s)	
TVI mit/TVI Ao	≥1.4	
Quantitative EROA (mm ²) R Vol (ml)	≥ 40 for primary ≥ 60 for primary	



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Indications for surgery in symptomatic primary MR

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Survival after repair vs replacement



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Operative mortality after surgery for MR

	EACTS	STS	UK	Germany
	(2010)	(2010)	(2004-2008)	(2009)
Mitral valve	2.1	1.6	2	2
repair, no CABG (%)	(3231)	(7293)	(3283)	(3335)
Mitral valve	4.3	6.0	6.1	7.8
replacement,	(6838)	(5448)	(3614)	(1855)
no CABG (%)				
Mitral valve	6.8/11.4	4.6/11.1	8.3/11.1	6.5/14.5
repair/replacement	(2515/1612)	(4721/2427)	(2021/1337)	(1785/837)
+CABG (%)				

() = number of patients.

CABG = coronary artery bypass grafting; EACTS = European Association for Cardiothoracic Surgery (32); STS = Society of Thoracic Surgeons (USA). Mortality for STS includes first and redo interventions (33); UK=United Kingdom (34); Germany (35).



The valve and the surgeon





Volume rates and Mitral Valve Repair

Hospital procedural volume influences both surgical mortality and the likelihood of repair vs. replacement



STS Database: Gammie et al., Circ, 2007; Gammie et al., ATS, 2005.



Mitral Repair: We Must Do Better

- Many surgeons do not routinely repair mitral valves
- Non repair surgeons do not routinely cross refer
- Patients with predictable complex repair should undergo surgery in experienced repair centres with high repair rates and low operative mortality
- Lack of consistency in surgical repair in complex mitral valve morphology: rheumatic lesions, extensive valve prolapse, MR with leaflet calcification or extensive annulus calcification

Dedicated "MR teams" could change practice



Northrup. Heart 2006;92:939-944

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Impact of symptoms and LV dysfunction following mitral surgery



LV dysfunction

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Enriquez-Sarano et al. Circulation, 90: 830-7;

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Impact of MR severity



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Quantitative measurements

Hemispheric PISA

Dynamic changes





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LV EDV = 250 ml LV ESV = 50 ml **LV ejection fraction = 80%** Regurgitation fraction = 56% Forward ejection fraction = 24%





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LV Remodeling in primary MR





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Incidence of AF in primary MR



Rate of AF also increases with age

Grigioni J Am Coll Cardiol 2002;40:84 Messika-Zeitoun, EHJ 2007 28 www.escardio.org/guidelines



Survival of patients with flail leaflets and atrial fibrillation



Onset of AF predicted death

Avierinos Circ 2002;106:1355

Onset of AF is

associated with CV

morbidity

Grigioni J Am Coll Cardiol 2002;40:



Pulmonary hypertension at rest



Magne J, Lancellotti P, Piérard LA. Circulation, 2010, 122: 33-41

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Impact of LV dimension on survival

MIDA registry

739 patients with flail leaflet, follow-up: 6.1±3.7 years Conservative Management Medical + Surgery



Tribouilloy et al. JACC, 2009;54:1961-8-

Impact of LV Dilatation on Survival

MIDA registry



LV ESD (mm)

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LA volume



Prevalence of pulmonary hypertension at rest and at exercise in asymptomatic primary MR



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Exercise pulmonary hypertension



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PHT to predict the onset of symptoms

ROC curves



Prediction of symptoms

Variables	Sensi.	Specif.
Exercise SPAP >56mmHg	82	73
Exercise SPAP >60mmHg	71	78
Resting SPAP >36mmHg	72	56
Resting SPAP >50mmHg	25	95

AUC: 0.67 vs. 0.77 p=0.032

Summary: What is new?

- ESC + EACTS
- Important role of heart team
- Primary rather than structural
- New onset of atrial fibrillation: lla
- LVESD ≥ 40 mm when flail leaflet: Ila
- LA volume ≥ 60 mL/m²: IIb
- SPAP ≥ 60 mmHg at exercise: IIb

