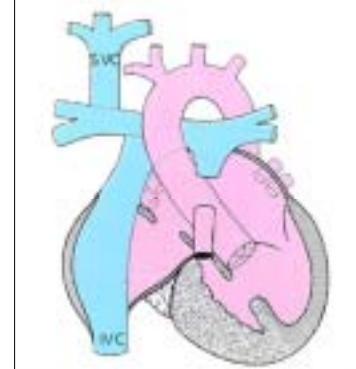
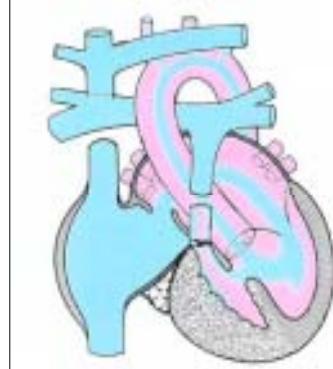


# Medical and Interventional Management of Failing Fontan Circulation



# Modification of Classic Fontan

- Staged Fontan: BCS
- Baffle fenestration
- Lateral tunnel operation
- Extracardiac conduit Fontan
  - early mortality & morbidity
  - long-term survival



# Failing Fontan(?)

- Acute failure
  - LCO ± postop Cx
- Late failure
  - progressive exercise intolerance
  - congestive heart failure

± Late sequelae

- Arrhythmias
- Cyanosis
- PLE/ Plastic bronchitis
- AVV regurgitation
- Thromboembolism
- Prolonged pleural/pericardial effusion

# Acute Failure of Fontan Procedure

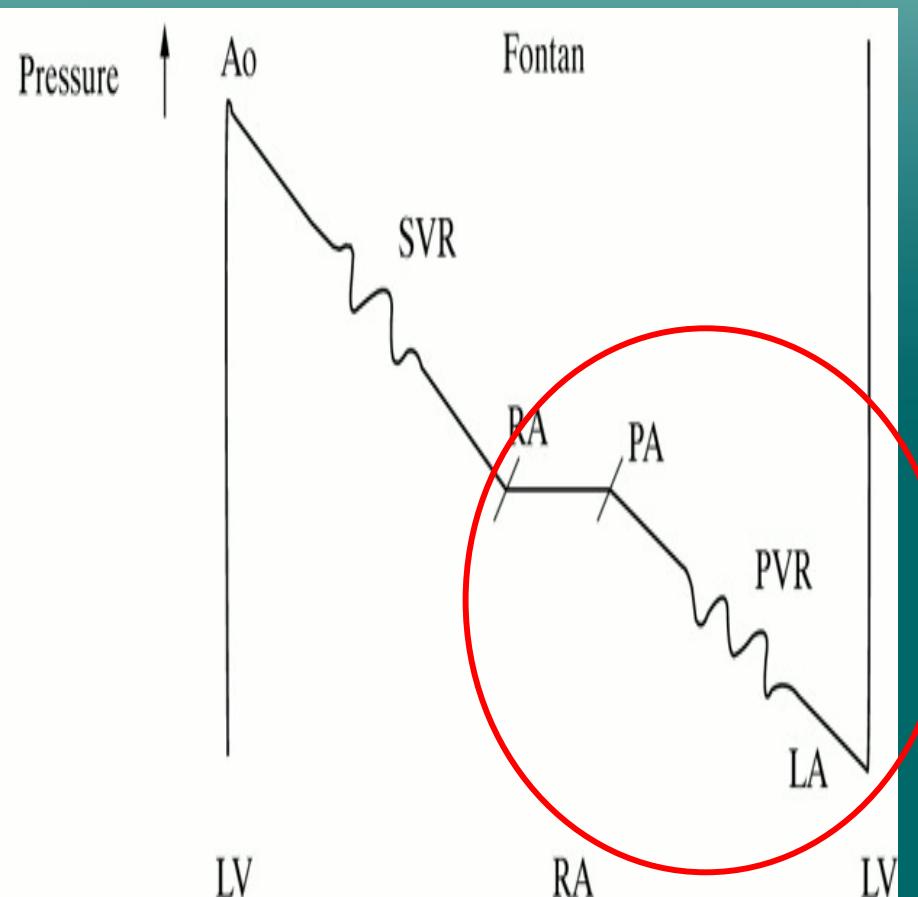
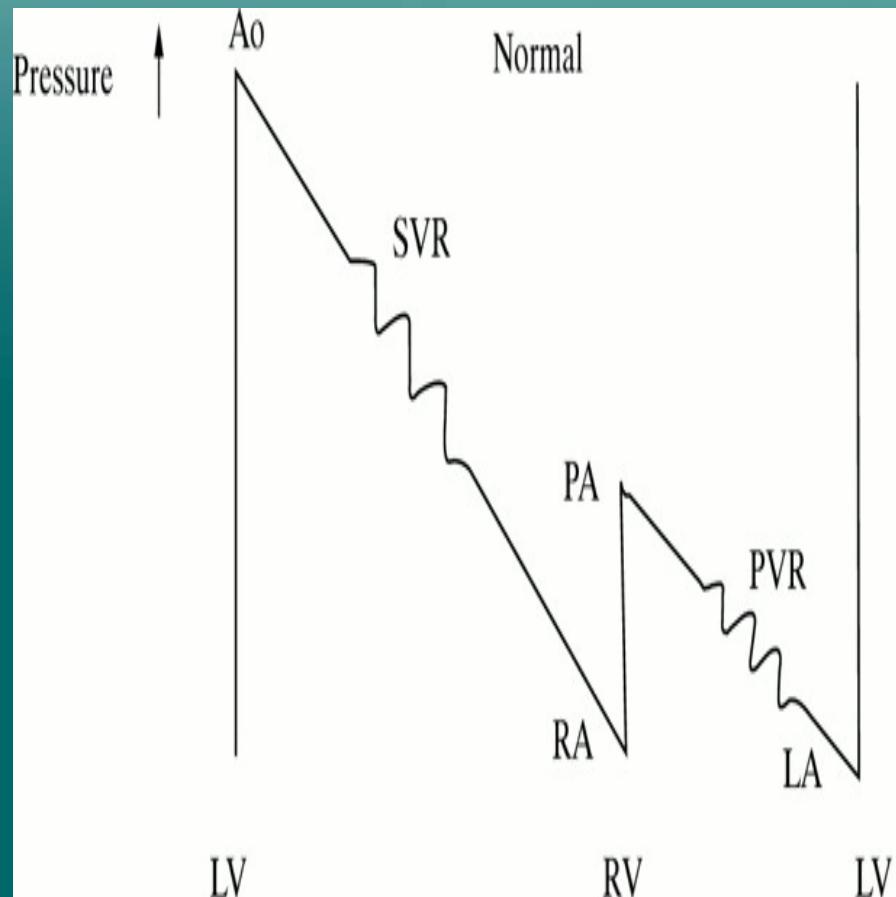
- Low CO
- Cyanosis
- Thrombosis
- Effusion
- Arrhythmias

# **Factors for progressive deterioration of functional status**

- Arrhythmias
- Ventricular dysfunction
- AV valve regurgitation
- Cyanosis
- Fontan pathway obstruction

Prolonged pleural/pericardial effusion  
Thromboembolic events  
Protein losing enteropathy(PLE)

# Pulmonary Circulation



# Low Cardiac Output

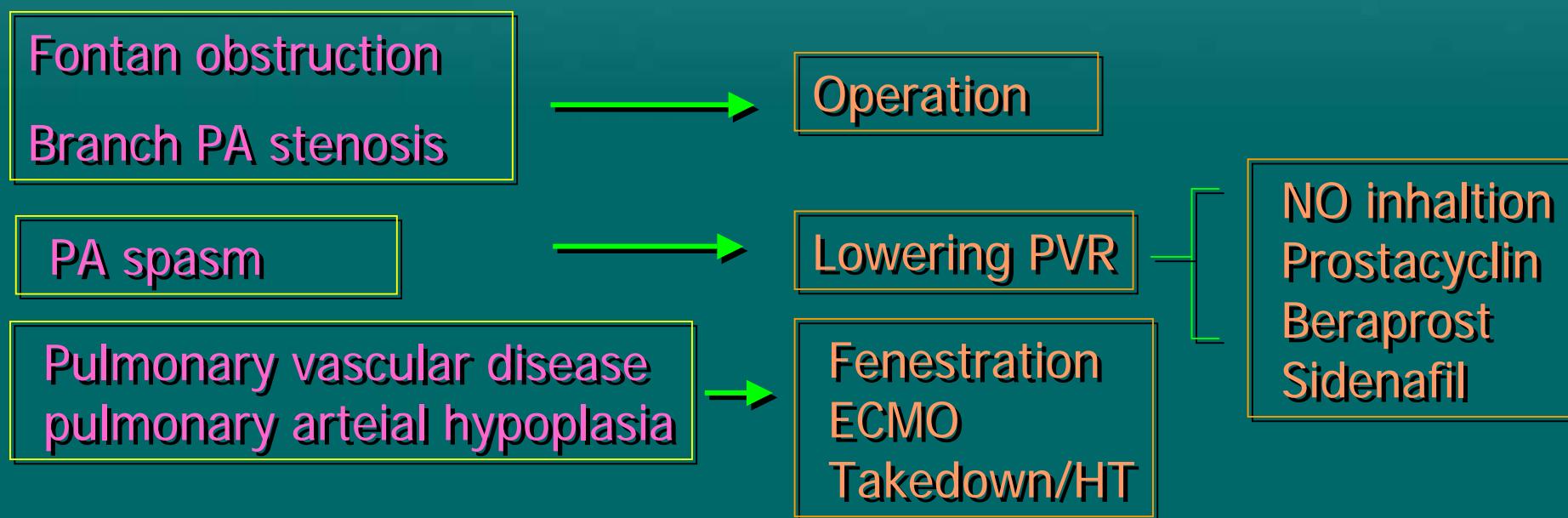
CVP	LAP	Causes
low	Low	Hypovolemia
high	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Fontan pathway obstruction,</li><li>■ ↑PVR - pulmonary vascular disease<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- PA spasm</li></ul></li><li>■ Pulmonary artery hypoplasia</li><li>■ Branch PA stenosis</li></ul>
high	high	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Ventricular dysfunction</li><li>■ AV valve stenosis or insufficiency</li><li>■ Arrhythmia</li><li>■ Tamponade</li><li>■ Outflow obstruction</li></ul>

# Prevention of Acute Failure

- Preop. evaluation & correction
  - Aortopulmonary collaterals
  - AV valve regurgitation
  - residual subaortic stenosis
  - residual CoA or PA branch stenosis
- Ultrafiltration
- Fenestration in high risk group
  - adjustable or fixed

# Management of LCO

- Low CVP      Volume challenge
- High CVP & Low LAP



# Management of LCO

High LAP(>10mmHg) with low TPG

- Arrhythmia
- Tamponade

→ Tx

- AV valve stenosis or insufficiency
- Outflow obstruction

→ Op

- Ventricular dysfunction

→ Inotropic support

VAD / ECMO?

Transplantation

# Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation Support of the Fontan and Bidirection Glenn Circulation

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Patients: Dec. 1984- June, 2004

20 with cavopulm. Connection

(14: Fontan, 6: BDG)

median age: 4.4 yr in Fontan(1-42 yr)

17.1 mo in BDG(4.7-26.9 mo)

median Wt : 14.5 kg(7.9-82 kg) in Fontan

8.4 kg(4.4-10.5 kg) in BDG

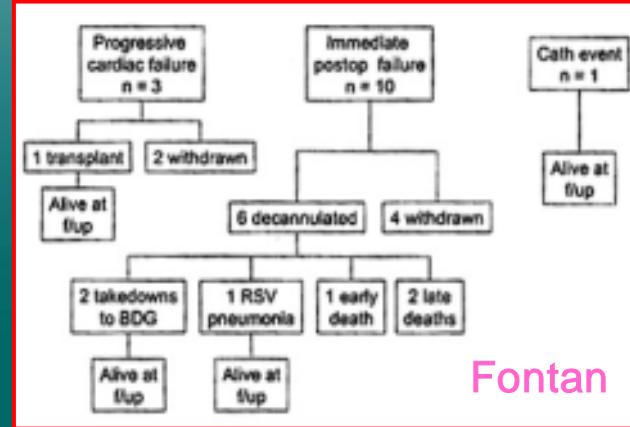
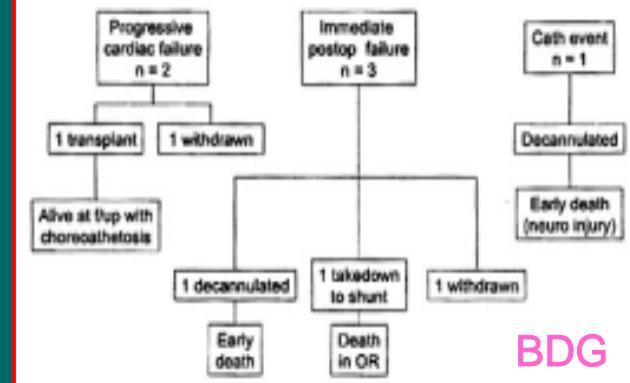


Table 1. Published Literature of Fontan and BDG Patients Supported With ECMO

Author	Year	Series size	Fontan/BDG patients
Kanter et. al [13]	1987	13 patients	1 Fontan, died
Klein et. al. [14]	1990	39 patients	4 Fontans, 4 died
Ziomek et. al. [15]	1992	24 patients	3 Fontans, 2 survived including 1 Fontan takedown on ECMO
Saito et. al. [12]	1993	1 patient	Fontan, survived
Dalton et. al. [16]	1993	29 patients	3 Fontans, 2 survived including 1 transplant from ECMO
Kulik et. al. [17]	1996	64 patients	18 cavopulmonary connections, 3 survived
Jaggers et. al. [18]	2000	35 patients (all infants)	1 BDG, died
Aharon et. al. [9]	2001	50 patients	2 Fontans, 2 survived; 1 BDG, died

BDG = bidirectional Glenn; ECMO = extracorporeal membrane oxygenation.



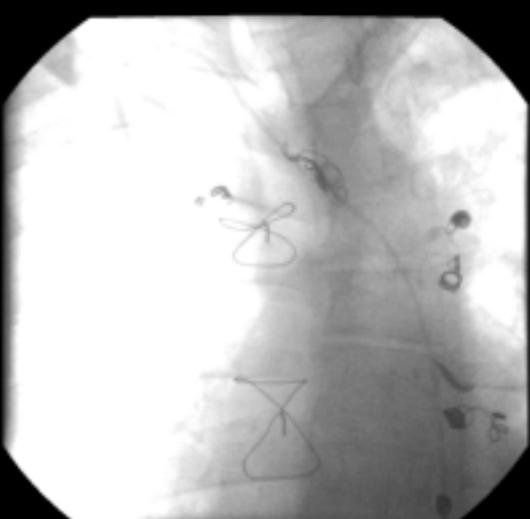
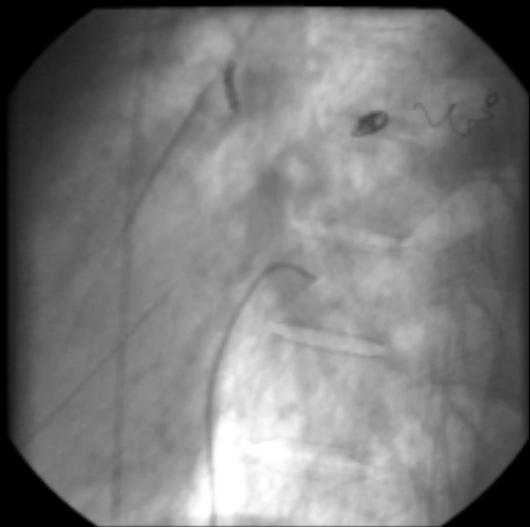
# Aortopulmonary collaterals

- Ventricular volume loading  
Increase CVP  
prolonged effusion
- Catheter intervention coil:  
Giantruco coil  
Tornado coil  
(microinfusion cath)



Gianturco coil

# Coil embolization case



Case: O O

Dx : T. atresia a

1<sup>st</sup> op : both m-BT, BAS  
central sh

2<sup>nd</sup> op : BCS at 9yr

3<sup>rd</sup> op : APC with  
fenestration d/t small PA  
LV function

2002.1: massive hemoptysis

cath: SaO<sub>2</sub> 88%

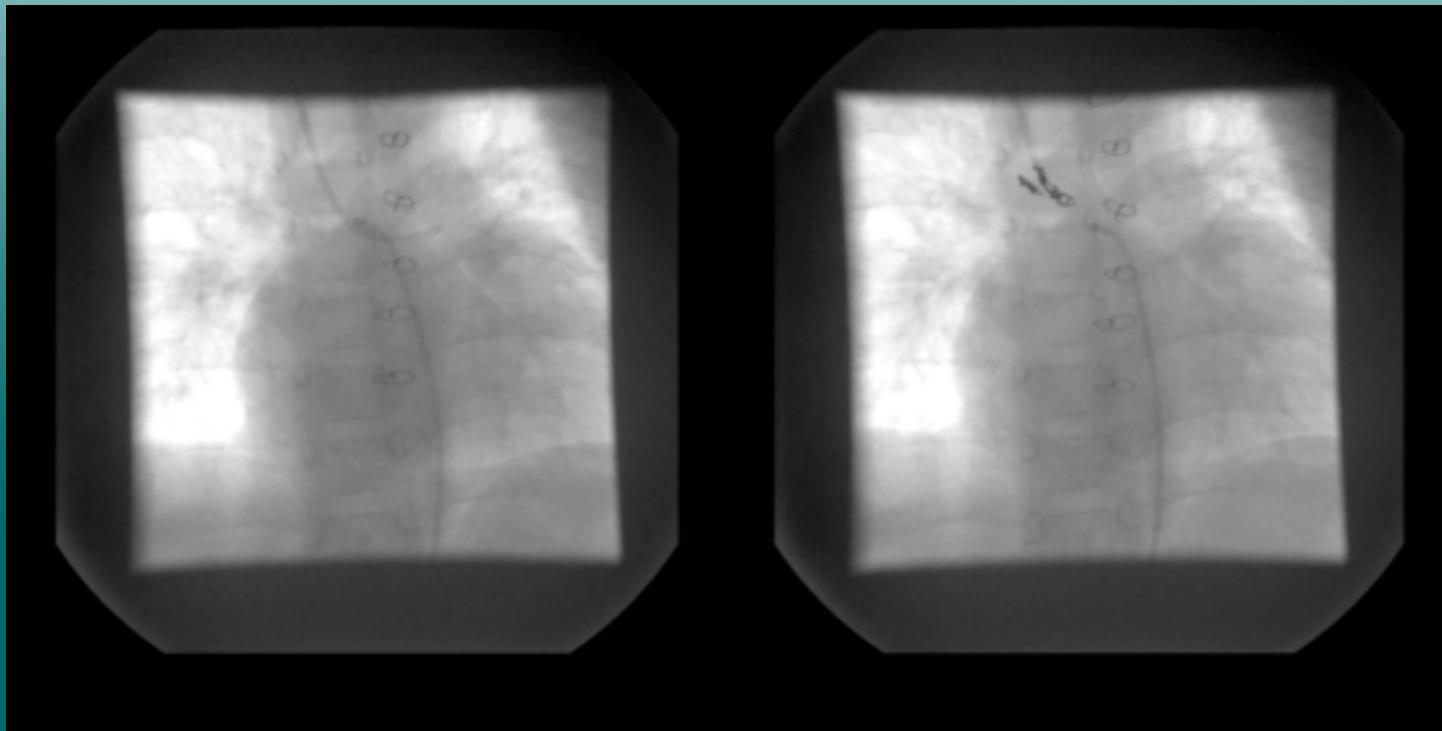
PAP:m=5, LVEDP 9

multiple collateral  
coil

2002. 7: hemoptysis recur  
coil

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# Coil embolization case



Case: O O, 2yr/M

DX: DILV, cc-TGA, VSD, mild PS

1<sup>st</sup> OP: Atrial septectomy, PAB at 8 mo of age

2<sup>nd</sup> OP: BCS, BVF widening at 19 mo of age

Cath(04, 9,16): PAP m=8, VEDP 10, collaterals(+)

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# Catheter intervention for Fenestration

- Fontan without fenestration
  - Transseptal puncture
    - Transseptal needle
    - RF perforation catheter(5J)
- Fontan with ↓ fenestration

→  
Balloon dilatation  
Stent implantation

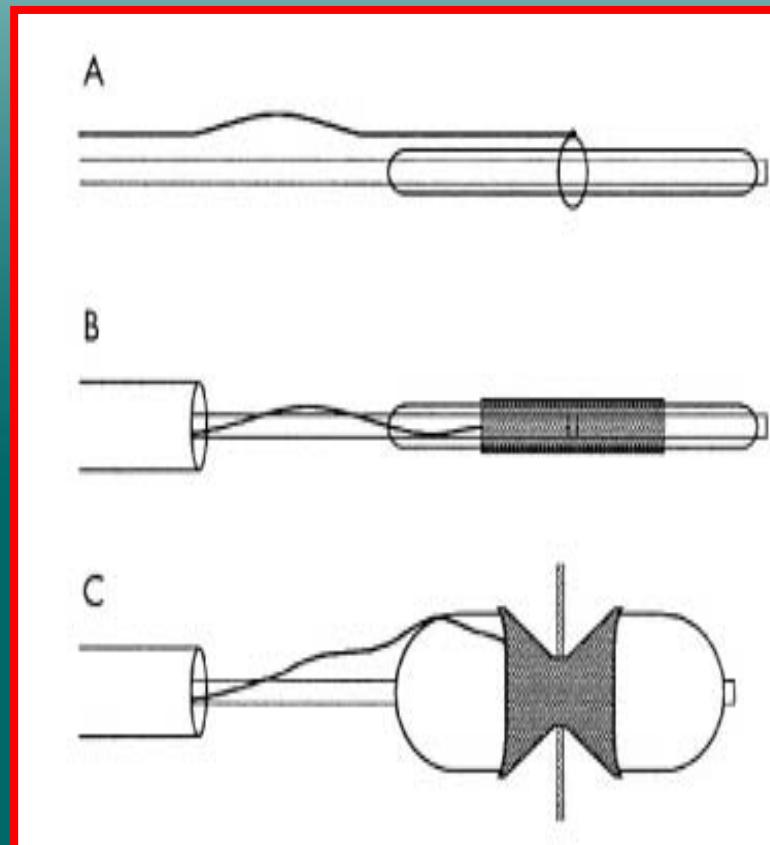
Fenestration size ?

Balloon : oversized cyansis  
Stent : fixed-size (3-4 mm ?)  
Fenestrated Amplatzer septal Occludor

# Stent Fenestration

## Technique

- 3-4 mm loop with epicardial pacing wires
- distal 5 cm of two wire tie 90cm length
- resultant loop placed over mid-portion of balloon catheter(15-25 mm): *A*
- sl. dilate stent with the help of 10-14 Fr dilator
- Bare stent mounted on the balloon: *B*
- 11-14 Fr long Mullins sheath across the atrial septum
- stent-mounted balloon with radio-opaque wire loop centered at atrial septum
- Delivery sheath withdrawn to IVC and balloon was fully inflated : *C*



- Goal for failing Fontan

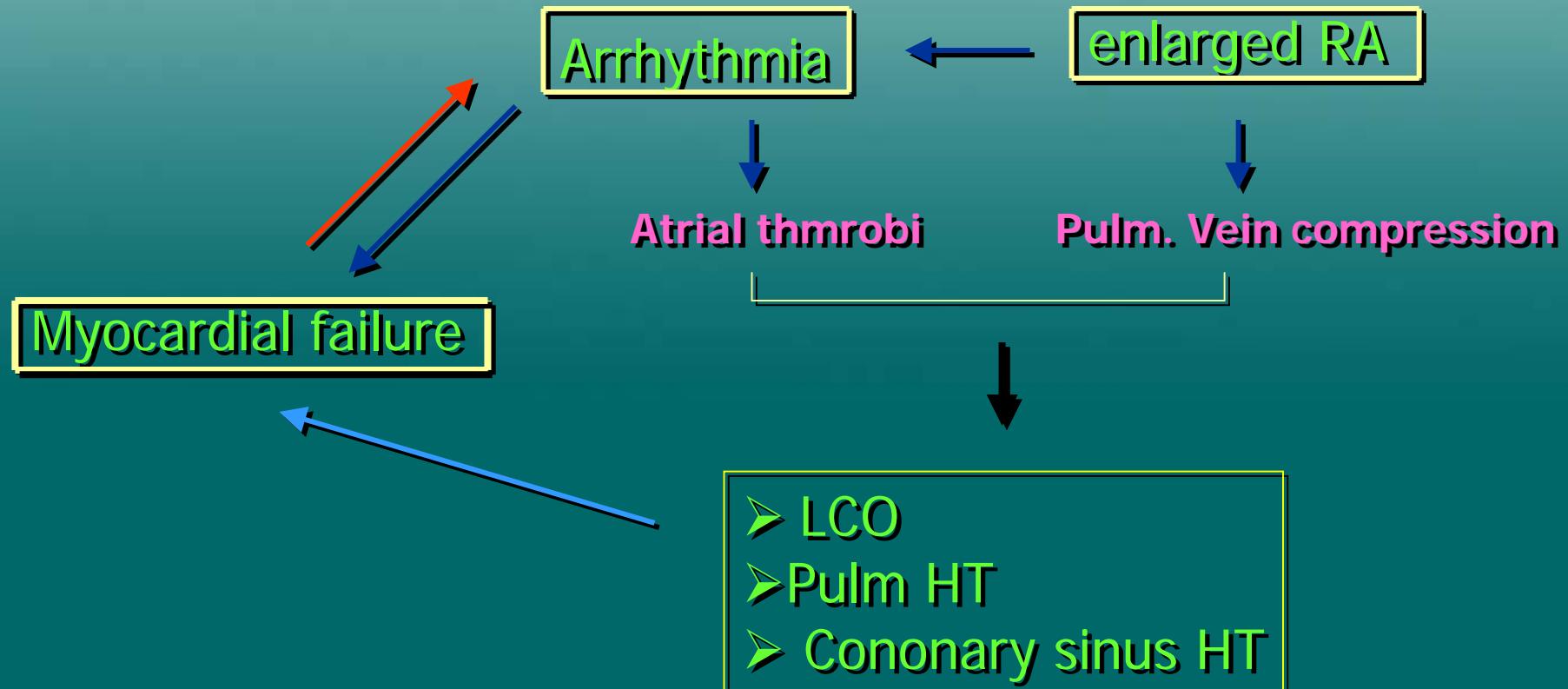
SaO<sub>2</sub> 80-85% at room air

# Arrhythmia after Fontan Op

- 40% of Fontan pts at 10 yr FU
- Most common : APC
- Atrial tachyarrhythmia(IART)
- SSS
- Arrhythmia substrate

persisting preop. arrhythmia  
scar/patch/fibrotic area by atrial dilation  
natural barrier : AV valve, IVC, Pulm vein  
hemodynamic theory(?)

# Interaction of arrhythmia to failing Fontan



# Management of failing Fontan with Atrial tachyarrhythmia

- Extracardiac conduit Fontan approach
  - Exclude atrium from systemic vein circuit
  - Avoid additional atrial suture line
  - Extensive atrioplasty with removal  
arrhythmogenic atrial tissue
- Intraoperative cryoablation
  - Intraoperative RF ablation
- Fontan conversion, heart transplantatin
- Anti-tachycardial pacemaker insertion



# Extracardiac Conduit With a Limited Maze Procedure for the Failing Fontan With Atrial Tachycardias

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Table 1. Patient Information and Outcome

Patient No.	Diagnosis	Type of First Fontan	Age at First Fontan (y)	Age at Conversion (y)	Interval (y)	Indication
1 (previously published)	Tricuspid atresia, ASD, VSD	Atriopulmonary anastomosis	7.2	28.2	21.1	Fatigue (NYHA 3) IART Homograft narrowing
2	Tricuspid atresia, d-TGA	Atriopulmonary anastomosis	4	13.7	9.7	IART Fatigue (NYHA 2)
3	Tricuspid atresia, restrictive VSD	Björk modification	1.6	17	15.4	Atrial fibrillation with giant right atrium Decreased exercise tolerance (NYHA 3)
4	DELV, I-TGA, hypoplastic right ventricle	Atriopulmonary anastomosis	13	27	12	Atrial fibrillation Second-degree heart block caused by medication Fatigue (NYHA 2)
5 (previously published)	TGA, VSD, hypoplastic right ventricle	Atriopulmonary anastomosis	5.5	17.1	11.6	IART Giant right atrium with thrombus Fatigue (NYHA 3)
6	Tricuspid atresia, VSD	Björk modification	14	34	20	Atrial fibrillation and IART Pre-syncope Fatigue (NYHA 3)

\* In addition to 22-mm or 24-mm polytetrafluoroethylene extracardiac conduit, right atrial reduction, limited right atrial maze procedure, and pacemaker placement.

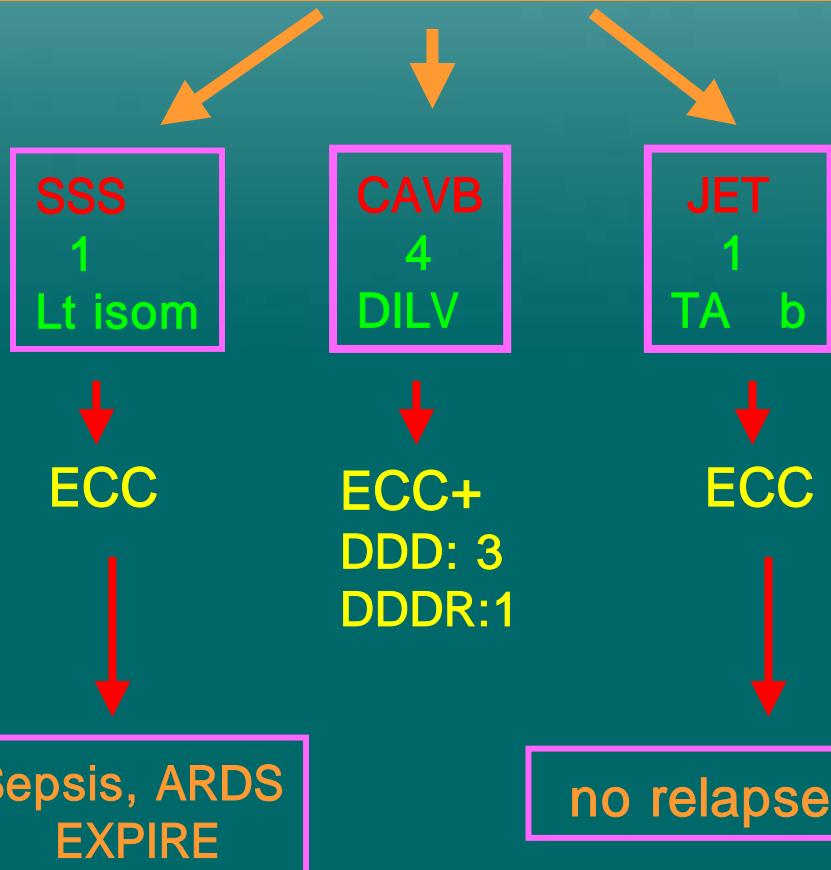
AAI = demand atrial pacing; AAIR = rate responsive atrial pacing; ASD = atrial septal defect; DDIR = dual chamber rate responsive pacing; DELV = double-inlet left ventricle; d-TGA = d-transposition of great arteries; IART = intraatrial reentrant tachycardia; I-TGA = l-transposition of great arteries; NYHA = New York Heart Association; TGA = transposition of great arteries; VSD = ventricular septal defect.

Table 1. Continued

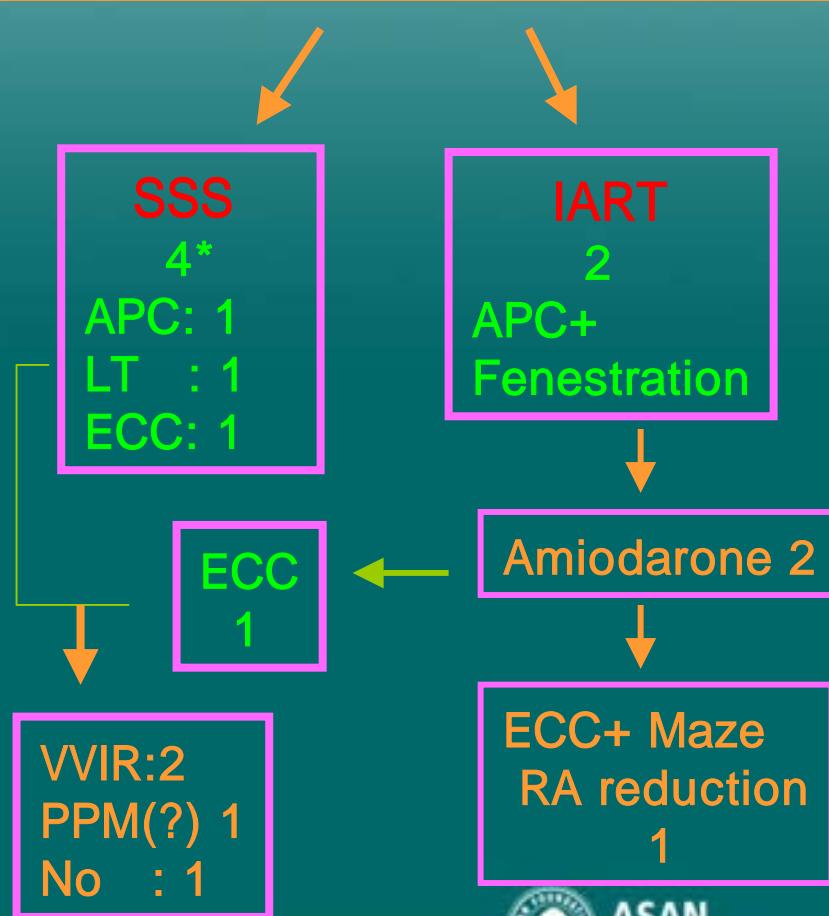
Operative Procedure*	Pacer Mode	Preoperative Antiarrhythmic Medication (Previous Medications)	Current Antiarrhythmic Medication	Outcome
Bilateral Bidirectional Glenn	AAIR	Flecainide Digoxin (Amiodarone—stopped because of pulmonary toxicity)	Digoxin	Postoperative atrial tachyarrhythmia controlled with sotalol. Pacer generator placed 26 days after conversion with epicardial leads in place. Doing well (NYHA 2).
	AAIR	Sotalol Digoxin	Digoxin	Doing well, no arrhythmias (NYHA 1).
	AAI	Digoxin Diltiazem (Flecainide)	None	Doing well, no arrhythmias (NYHA 1).
Resection of subaortic stenosis	DDIR	Digoxin (rate-controlled atrial fibrillation)	Digoxin Sotalol	Surgically induced heart block Postoperative atrial flutter treated with sotalol, doing well (NYHA 1).
	AAIR	Digoxin (Amiodarone)	None	Doing well, no arrhythmias (NYHA 1).
Bilateral bidirectional Glenn	AAIR	Digoxin Diltiazem (Flecainide Sotalol)	Sotalol Digoxin	Atrial flutter day 5 postoperatively, none since sotalol. Improved exercise tolerance (NYHA 2).

# Arrhythmia of Fontan- Patients in AMC

Preop. Fontan Arrhythmia  
6 cases/144('89-'04.6)



Postop. Fontan Arrhythmia  
6 episode in 5 /144('89-'04.6)



# Cyanosis after Fontan Procedure

Pulmonary AV malformation

→ Coil occlusion  
Surgical resection

Contrast ECHO  
Pulm. Angio

Systemic-pulmo.  
Veno-venous coll.

Excessive fenestration

Coil occlusion

Test occlusion

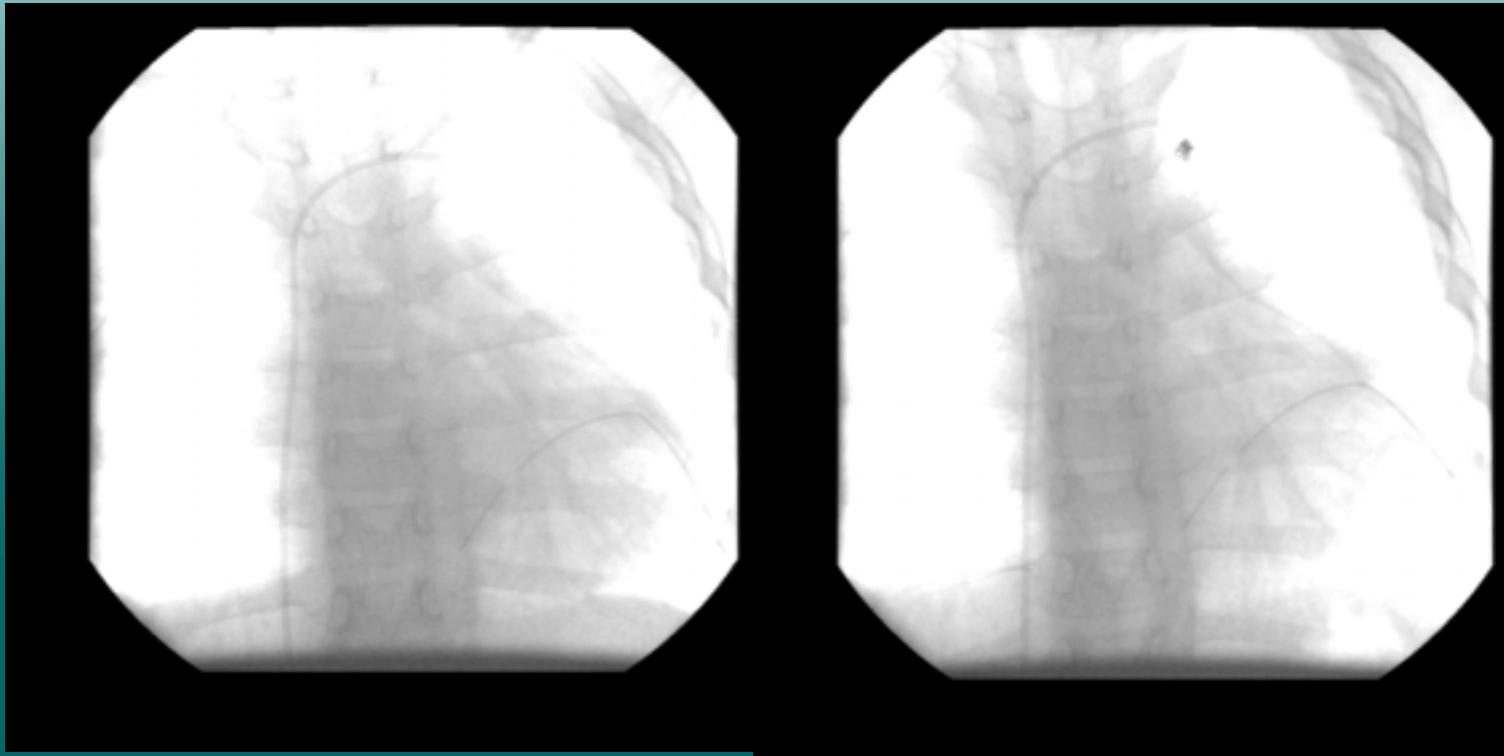
CVP  $\leq$  15 mmHG

Device closure

Ventricular dysfunction

→ Heart Transplantation

# systemic-pulmonary venovenous collateral closure



Case: O O, 5yr/M

Dx: cc-TGA, VSD, MV straddling, No PS

1<sup>st</sup> OP: PAB at 5 mo of age

2<sup>nd</sup> OP: EC conduit Fontan(18 mm GTVG) at 5 yrs

old prolonged pleural effusion for postop 2 mo

Cath: SaO<sub>2</sub> 93%, PAP m=10, VEDP 5

Systemic –pulm. Venovenos collateral(+)

# Thromboembolism after Fontan procedure

- True incidence unknown  
→ underestimated
- Stroke incidence: 2.6%

## Diagnostic tool

- TEE(TTE less sensitive)
- Heart CT/MR
- Cath. Angio

## Sx of thrombus formation

- Venous obstruction
- Progressive cyanosis
- paradoxical emboli
- Atrial arrhythmia
- Asymptomatic(40%)



## Predisposing Risk Factors

- Slow nonpulsatile flow
- Enlarged thickened atrium
- small TPG, LCO
- Abnormality of clotting system  
( protein C/S deficiency, AT<sup>-</sup>, VWF )

## Longterm anticoagulation: controversial

- good Fontan : no anticoagulation vs
- all Fontan : antiplatelet/oral warfarin
- risk of hemorrhagic complication
- Warfarin (INR 2-2.5)



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# Protein Losing Enteropathy after Fontan OP

- 5-10% of Fontan operation
- Inflammatory cause
- Mechanical cause

- Hemodynamic alteration**
- SVC pressure
  - severe turbulent flow in RPA near Rt BCS

## Clinical feature

- Hypoproteinemia
- Ascites, edema
- Diarrhea( $\alpha$ -1 antitrypsin in stool)
- Immunodeficiency
- Hypocalcemia

## Risk Factors

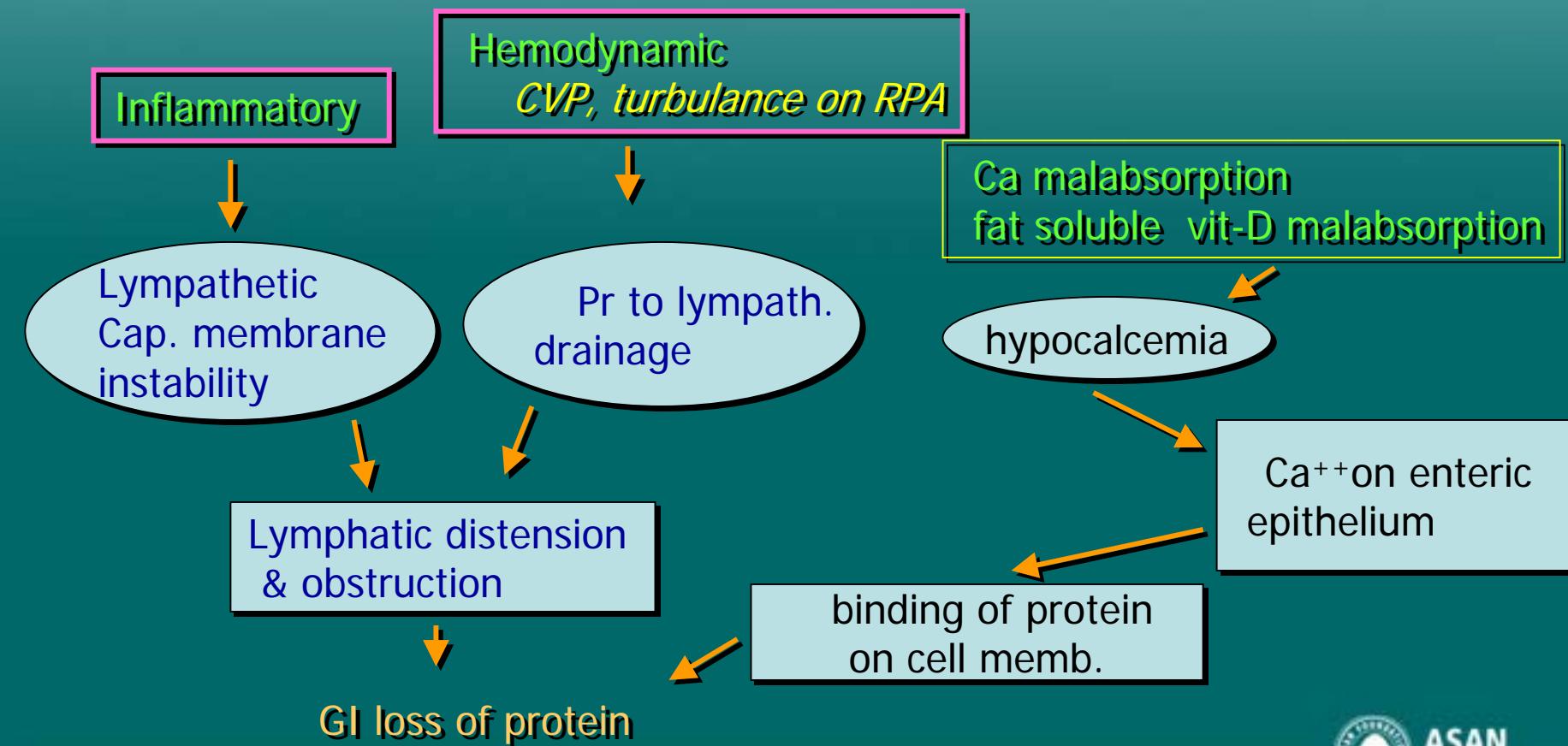
- Rp  $\geq$  4 unit
- Heterotaxic synd(polysplenia)
- Ventricular dysfunction (VEDP  $\geq$  12 mmHg)



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# Protein Losing Enteropathy after Fontan OP

## Pathophysiology



# **Protein Losing Enteropathy after Fontan OP**

## **management**

- Medical**

dietary manipulation/ albumin infusion

correction of hypocalcemia

diuretics/ high dose steroid

systemic administration of heparin      *osteoporosis*

High-dose aldosterone receptor antagonist

- Intervention for CVP**

balloon dilation of narrowed PA

occlusion of aortopulmo. collateral arteries

creation of fenestration

- Takedown and /or transplantation**



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# Effect of High-Dose spironolactone on Protein-Losing Enteropathy in Patients with Fontan Palliation of Complex Congenital Heart Disease

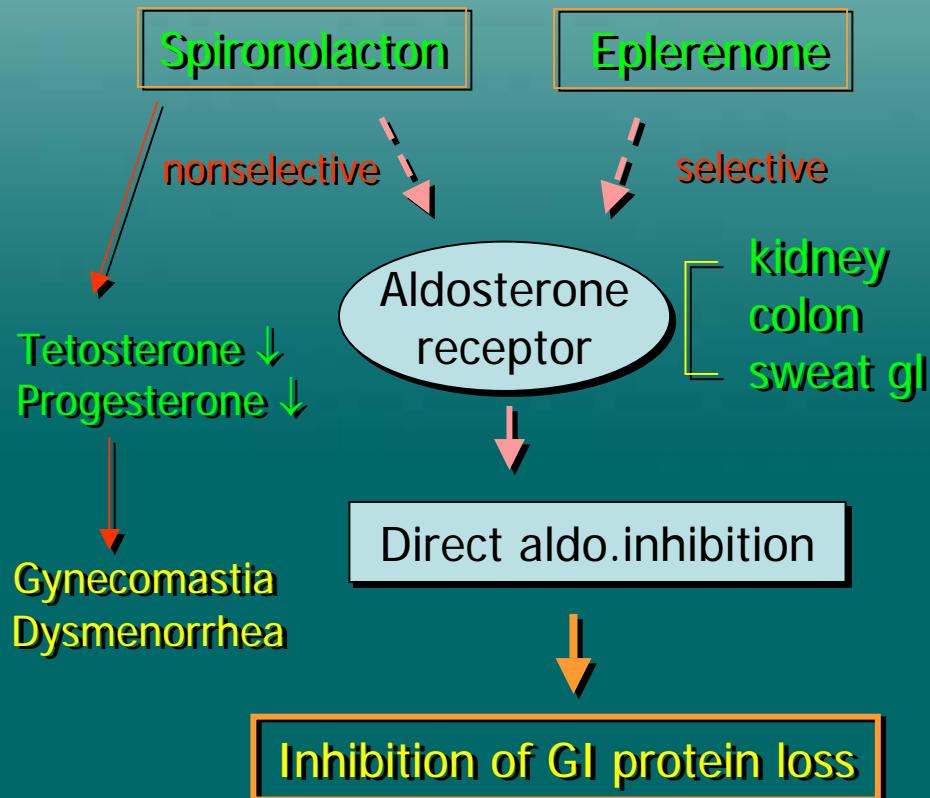


TABLE 1 Patient Summaries and Medical Management of Protein-Losing Enteropathy (PLE)

	Patient No.	1	2	3
Diagnosis		HLS	DILV	HLS
Surgical palliation (age)		Fontan-intracardiac conduit (1 yr)	Fontan-extracardiac conduit (6 yrs)	Fontan-lateral tunnel (2 yrs)
Time interval from Fontan repair to PLE onset	7 yrs	1 yr	10 yrs	
Mean pulmonary artery pressure	15 mm Hg	12 mm Hg	13 mm Hg	
Presenting total protein and albumin levels	3.8/1.7 g/dl	4.2/1.9 g/dl	4.1/2.4 g/dl	
Initial medical therapy	Spironolactone (4 mg/kg/d), ACE inhibitor	Furosemide	ACE inhibitor	
Subsequent total protein and albumin levels	5.7/3.5 g/dl	4.2/2.7 g/dl	4.1/2.8 g/dl	
Interval medical therapy I	Spironolactone (4 mg/kg/d), ACE inhibitor	ACE inhibitor, furosemide	Spironolactone (1.4 mg/kg/d), ACE inhibitor	
Follow-up total protein and albumin levels	3.1/1.8 g/dl	3.9/2.2 g/dl	4.1/2.8 g/dl	
Interval medical therapy II	Spironolactone (5 mg/kg/d), ACE inhibitor	Spironolactone (2.3 mg/kg/d), ACE inhibitor, furosemide	Spironolactone (2.8 mg/kg/d), ACE inhibitor	
Remission total protein and albumin levels	5.6/3.6 g/dl	5.8/3.5 g/dl	6.5/4.0 g/dl	
Duration of remission	2 yrs	3 yrs	2 yrs	

ACE = angiotensin-converting enzyme; DILV = double-inlet left ventricle; HLS = hypoplastic left heart syndrome.

Ringel et al. Am J Cardiol 2003;91:1031-2

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# Ventricular dysfunction after Fontan OP

*contributing factors*

- Increased ventricular mass
- Morphological type of ventricle
- Impaired coronary artery flow

# Ventricular remodeling after Fontan OP

## Pathologic remodeling

Chronic volume overload

↓  
Diastolic WS

↓  
Eccentric hypertrophy

↓  
Dilated, thin-wall Vent.

Long standing  
hypoxemia

Inadequate myo.  
capillary

Ischemic damage in  
subendocardium

Pressure overload

↓  
Syst. WS

↓  
Myo. hypertrophy

↓  
collagen in ECM

↓  
subendo fibrosis

↓  
Regional WM abnl



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# Left ventricular remodeling in hearts with tricuspid atresia : Morphologic observations and possible basis for ventricular dysfunction after surgery

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## Method

32 heart with T. atresia at autopsy

27 control heart

die of non-cardiovascular related Ds

## Morphometric analysis

- Myocyte transverse  $\phi$
- capillary volume fraction
- nuclear volume fraction
- quantification of fibrous tissue
- endocardial thickness

TABLE 2. Gross measurements from the inlet and outlet of the LV, comparing hearts with tricuspid atresia and control hearts

	Tricuspid atresia		Control		
	Mean $\pm$ SD	Median	Mean $\pm$ SD	Median	P value
Inlet wall thickness (cm)	0.68 $\pm$ 0.17	0.70	0.69 $\pm$ 0.22	0.70	.82
Outlet wall thickness (cm)	0.70 $\pm$ 0.21	0.70	0.70 $\pm$ 0.22	0.60	.94
Inlet length (cm)	3.19 $\pm$ 0.76	3.10	2.97 $\pm$ 0.63	2.90	.24
Outlet length (cm)	3.69 $\pm$ 0.84	3.55	3.05 $\pm$ 0.63	2.95	.005

TABLE 3. Myocyte diameter, interstitial fibrosis and endocardial thickness in the inlet, apex, and outlet of the LV in control hearts and those with tricuspid atresia

	Myocyte diameter ( $\mu\text{m}$ )		Fibrosis (IPWF %)		Endocardial thickness ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	
	Mean $\pm$ SD	Median	Mean $\pm$ SD	Median	Mean $\pm$ SD	Median
Inlet						
Tricuspid atresia	9.6 $\pm$ 2.4	9.6 (25)	3.8 $\pm$ 2.8	3.1 (29)†	53.9 $\pm$ 40.1	41.8 (29)*
Control	10.0 $\pm$ 2.6	9.8 (15)	1.0 $\pm$ 0.7	1.0 (23)	24.0 $\pm$ 19.7	14.3 (18)
Apex						
Tricuspid atresia	9.6 $\pm$ 2.1	10.6 (15)	2.6 $\pm$ 2.0	2.0 (25)†	20.8 $\pm$ 14.7	15.1 (28)*
Control	9.0 $\pm$ 2.1	8.7 (14)	0.5 $\pm$ 0.5	0.4 (19)	10.7 $\pm$ 3.7	9.9 (19)
Outlet						
Tricuspid atresia	8.9 $\pm$ 1.9	9.0 (14)	2.1 $\pm$ 1.8	1.6 (22)†	34.1 $\pm$ 29.0	23.9 (22)
Control	9.0 $\pm$ 1.8	9.4 (14)	0.6 $\pm$ 0.5	0.4 (18)	19.0 $\pm$ 13.2	14.8 (16)

In parentheses are shown the numbers of cases analyzed in each comparison (tricuspid atresia versus control).

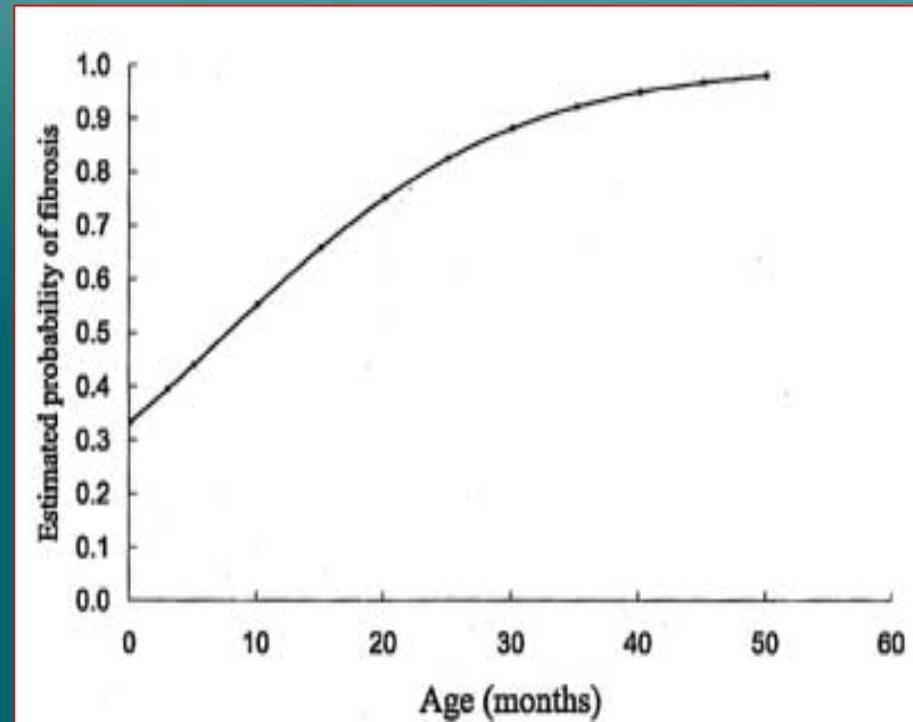
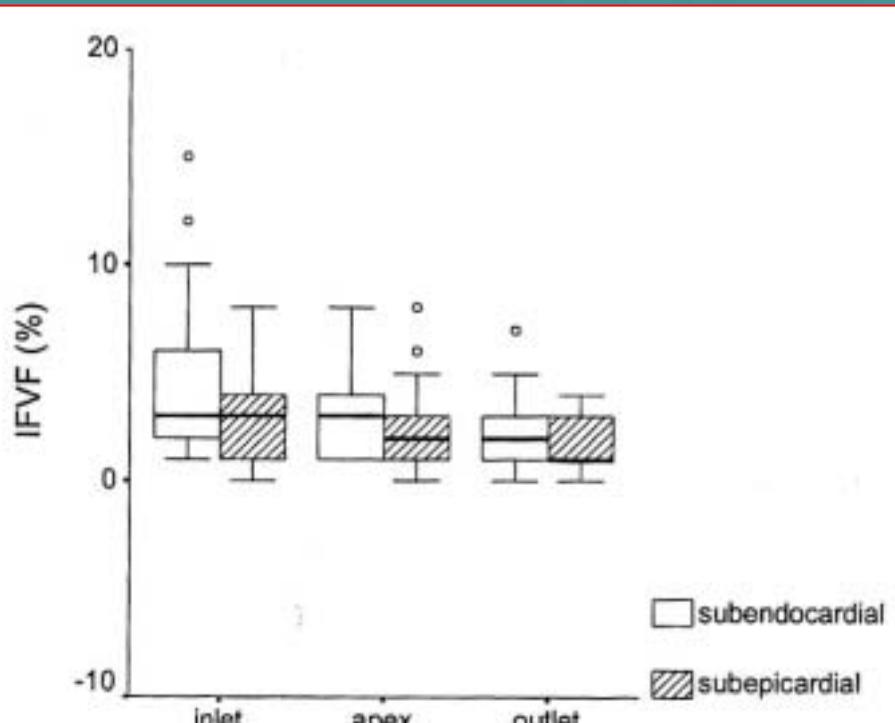
\*P < .01 versus control.

†P < .001 versus control.



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# Myocardial Perfusion and Coronary Flow Reserve assessed by Positron Emission Tomography in Patients after Fontan-like Operation

Patients: 10 (Fontan-like OP)

M:F=6:4(m age:15.8±5.01yr)

OP age : 5.9±3.7yr

FU after surgery : 9.4±4.2 yr

Control : 10 healthy adults

## Method

Clinical exam. ECG, TTE

Cath. Angio/TEE

PETwith N-13 ammonia

at rest & adenosin stress

## Result

Vent.dysfunction(VD): 6/10

$ESS_m$ ,  $ESD_m$  in FLO

MBF higher in FLO than normal

MBF and CFR in FLO(esp. V.D)

CVR in FLO

Table 3. Hemodynamic and quantitative myocardial flow parameters

Parameter	FLO	Normals
Cardiac index ( $l/min/m^2$ )	2.34 ± 0.57	
RA pressure (mmHg)	10.3 ± 1.9	
EDP (mmHg)	6.3 ± 2.2	
RA saturation (%)	69.4 ± 5.2	
PA mean pressure (mmHg)	8.6 ± 2.1	
Aortic mean pressure (mmHg)	66.7 ± 10.6	
Aortic saturation (%)	96.1 ± 2.2	
LA pressure (mmHg)	5.6 ± 2.8	
MBF (ml/g/min)	0.91 ± 0.32	0.73 ± 0.15*
MBFN (ml/g/min)	0.99 ± 0.25	0.77 ± 0.17*
MBF <sub>adenosine</sub> (ml/g/min)	2.12 ± 0.78	3.10 ± 0.8*
CFR	2.5 ± 0.88	4.1 ± 1.01
CVR <sub>rest</sub> (mmHg/ml/g/min)	98.3 ± 41.3	112.4 ± 24.3
CVR <sub>adenosine</sub> (mmHg/ml/g/min)	38.2 ± 17.4	24.5 ± 8.3

FLO, Fontan-line operation; RA, right atrium; EDP, end diastolic pressure; PA, pulmonary artery; LA, left atrium; MBF, myocardial blood flow; MBFN, myocardial blood flow normalized to the rate pressure product; CFR, coronary flow reserve; CVR, coronary vascular resistance

\* Significant difference (Mann-Whitney test)

# Plastic Bronchitis after Fontan OP

Formation of large branching bronchial cast\*

Inflammatory cast : fibrin > mucin  
eosinophil Charcot-Leydon crystal  
Acellular cast : mucin > fibrin, eosinophil(-)

symptomatic airway obstruction

Mechanism : unknown

Predisposing factors

Ventricular dysfunction  
AV valve insufficiency  
Arrhythmias  
PLE

CVP

cast (?)

third-space fluid loss



, s/p Fontan

# Plastic Bronchitis after Fontan OP

## Management

- Mucolytics & bronchodilator
- DNase & steroid inflammatory
- removal of cast
  - repeated bronchoscopy
  - aerosolized urokinase
  - tissue plasminogen activators
- pacer- induced synchronous AV conduction (atrial rate: 120/min)

## Reports of Plastic Bronchitis

TABLE 1—Reports of Plastic Bronchitis<sup>1</sup>

Authors	n	Associated disease(s)
Mulligan, 1924 <sup>5</sup>	1	Pneumonia
Legget, 1954 <sup>17</sup>	1	Bronchiectasis
Samerkin and Leopold, 1966 <sup>1</sup>	1	Asthma
Fruchter et al., 1982 <sup>18</sup>	1	Asthma, allergy
Bowen et al., 1985 <sup>2</sup>	5 <sup>2</sup>	Pericarditis, asthma, bronchiectasis
Liston et al., 1986 <sup>19</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	Asthma, allergy, pneumonia
Muller et al., 1987 <sup>20</sup>	3	URI, pericarditis, asthma
Werkhaven and Hollinger, 1987 <sup>16</sup>	4	Pneumonia, URI
Colleridi et al., 1990 <sup>9</sup>	1	DORV with PVA
Caims-Bazarin et al., 1992 <sup>21</sup>	1	RAD
Duncan et al., 1993 <sup>22</sup>	1	TA
Park et al. <sup>23</sup>	1	TOF
Raghuram et al., 1997 <sup>8</sup>	3	Sickle-cell/acute chest syndrome
Steir et al., 1997 <sup>11</sup>	9	Asthma/URI/AML with mucositis
Languepin et al., 1999 <sup>10</sup>	3	TA, PAPVR, TOF, absent PAV
Quasney et al., 2000 <sup>12</sup>	1	TA, PVA
Setzer et al., 2001 <sup>24</sup>	1	TA
This report	3	Eosinophilic pneumonia, TOF, TA

<sup>1</sup>URI, upper respiratory tract infection; TOF, tetralogy of Fallot; PAV, pulmonary artery valve; PVA, pulmonary valve atresia; PAPVR, partial anomalous pulmonary venous return; TA, tricuspid atresia; AML, acute myelogenous leukemia; DORV, double-outlet right ventricle; RAD, reactive airways disease.

<sup>2</sup>These two reports share one case.

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TABLE 2—Patient Data by Underlying Illness

	Group I (n = 14)	Group II (n = 17)	Group III (n = 11)
Age (years)	5.7 (4.7)	7.0 (4.1)	4.9 (4.8)
Sex (m/f)	7/6	7/9	7/5
Fever (%)	62	12	67
Mechanical ventilation (%)	31	31	50
Recurrences (%)	31	47	37
Pleural effusions (%)	0	31	25
Air leak	15	6	17
Survival (%)	100	71	83
Type I infiltrates (%)	77	12*	58
Type II infiltrates (%)	8	65	25
No pathology	15	24	17

\*P < 0.05 compared to group I.

Group I : asthma/allergic, Group II : cardiac, Group III : none

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TABLE 3—Cardiac Procedures<sup>1</sup>

Prebronchial cast procedures	
Fontan	10
Bidirectional Glenn	1
Blalock Taussig shunt	2
TOF repair	3
Postbronchial cast procedures	
Pericardectomy	2
PAPVR repair	1
Thoracic duct ligation	2
Pacemaker placement	1
PA stent/pacemaker placement	1

<sup>1</sup>TOF, tetralogy of Fallot; PAPVR, partial anomalous venous return; PA, pulmonary artery.



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# Summary

- To prevent progressive ventricular dysfunction
  - avoid prolonged PAB state till Fontan operation
  - correct residual shunt through catheter intervention to avoid chronic volume overloaded state
  - correct residual anatomical defect surgically to avoid pressure overload
  - High-risk group for Fontan OP fenestration
  - avoid long standing hypoxemia through catheter intervention (pulm.AVM, system.to pulm. Venovenous collaterals, fenestration)
  - correct late sequales medically or through catheter intervention
- Life threatening late sequelae( esp. PLE or refractory arrhythmia) combined with ventricular dysfunction → Fontan conversion or heart transplantation
- Long-term anticoagulation : controversial  
Fenestrated Fontan , Extracardiac conduit Fontan : warfarin (PT:2-2.5 INR)