Septal Ablation for Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy

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- Hypertrophic Obstructive CM (HOCM):
 –Incidence: 1 in 500
 - -Autosomal dominant, male & female (equal)
 - -Wide variety of geno- and phenotypes
 - -Some mutations predictive of sudden death
 - -Often unrecognised

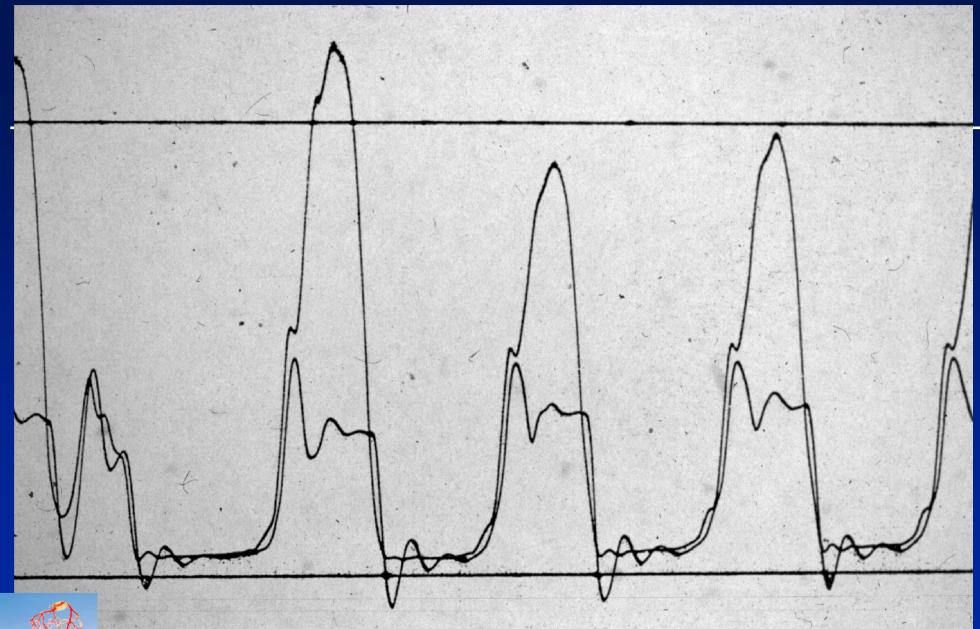




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 –Pathophysiology:
 - Asymmetric septal hypertrophy
 - Myocardial disarray
 - Dynamic LV outflow tract gradient
 - SAM
 - LV Diastolic dysfunction





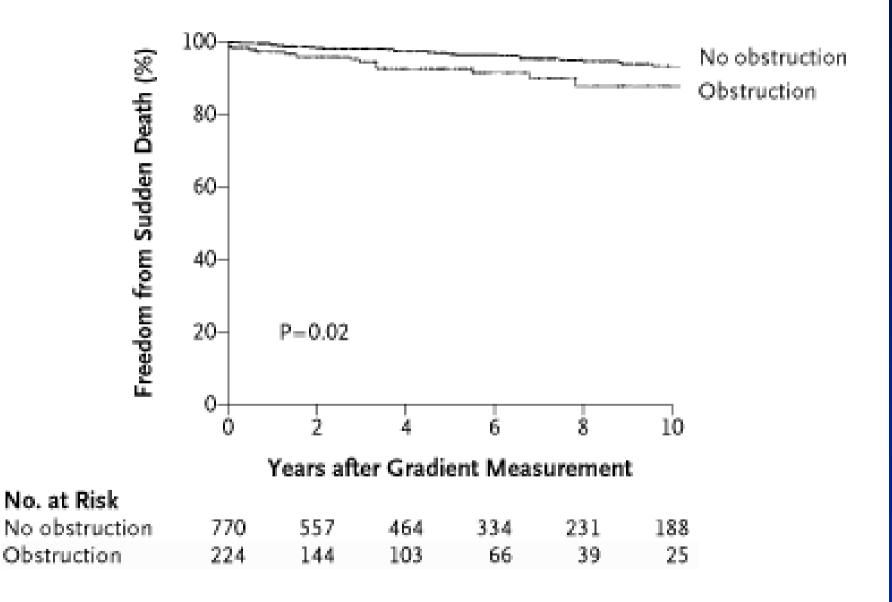








Maron et al NEJM 2003 348:295-303

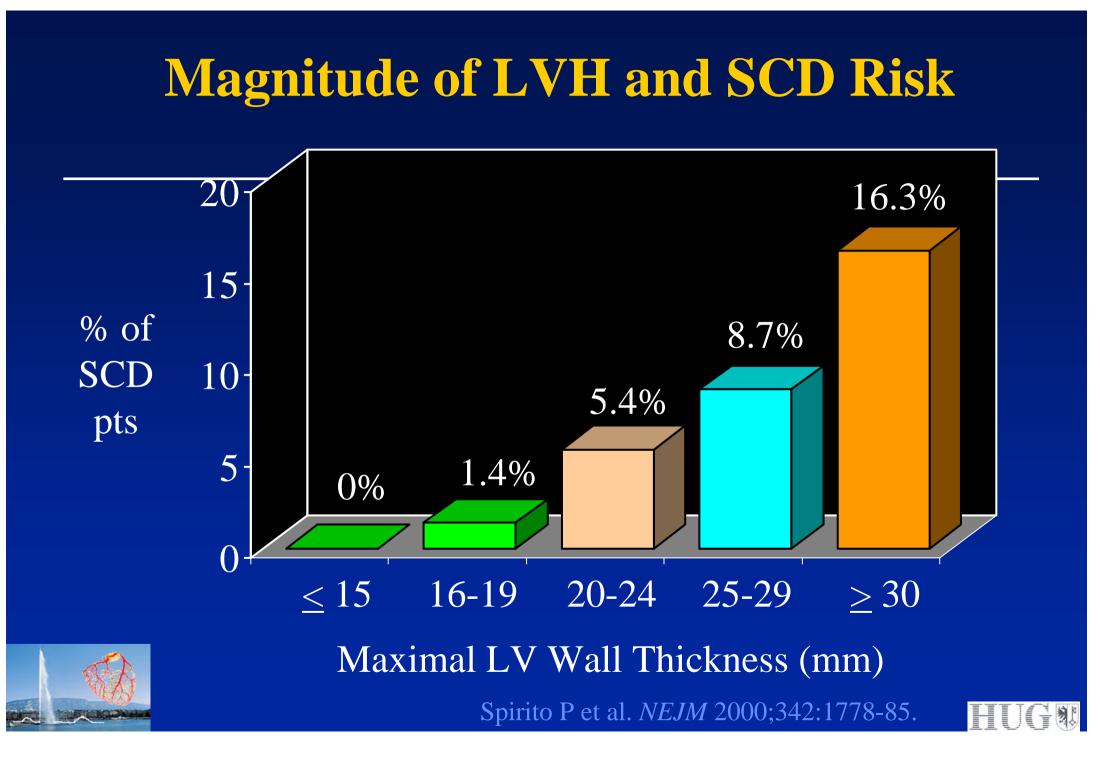




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 –Clinical manifestations:
 - Systolic murmur
 - SOB and/or angina pectoris
 - Dizzy spells or pre-syncope
 - Sudden death







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 - DDD pacing and/or AICD
 - Surgical myotomy/ myectomy (MVR?)
 - Transplantation
 - Catheter treatment





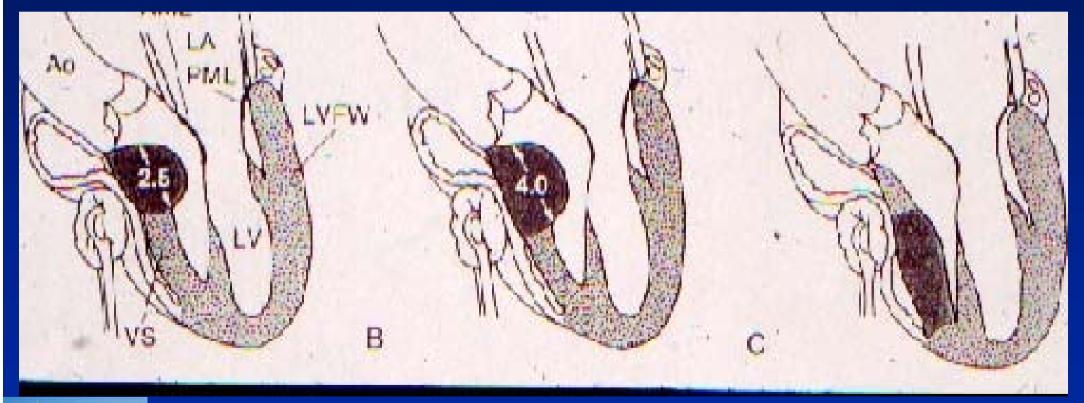
History of Myectomy

Brock 1957Cleland 1958



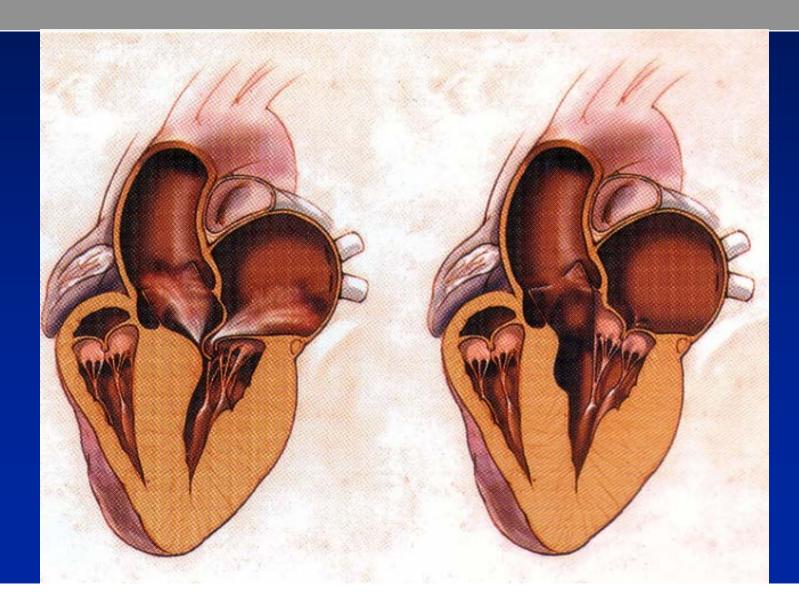


Myectomy





From: Braunwald







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 - Temporary occlusion of S1 results in LVOT gradient reduction (Sigwart 1983)



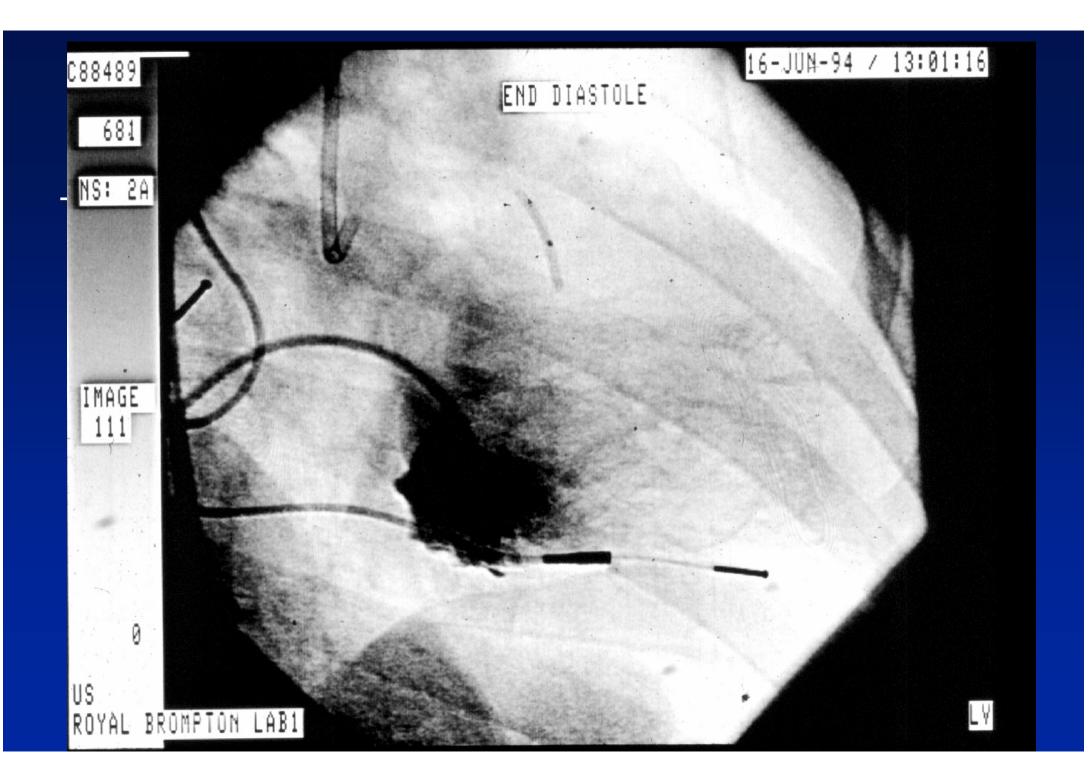


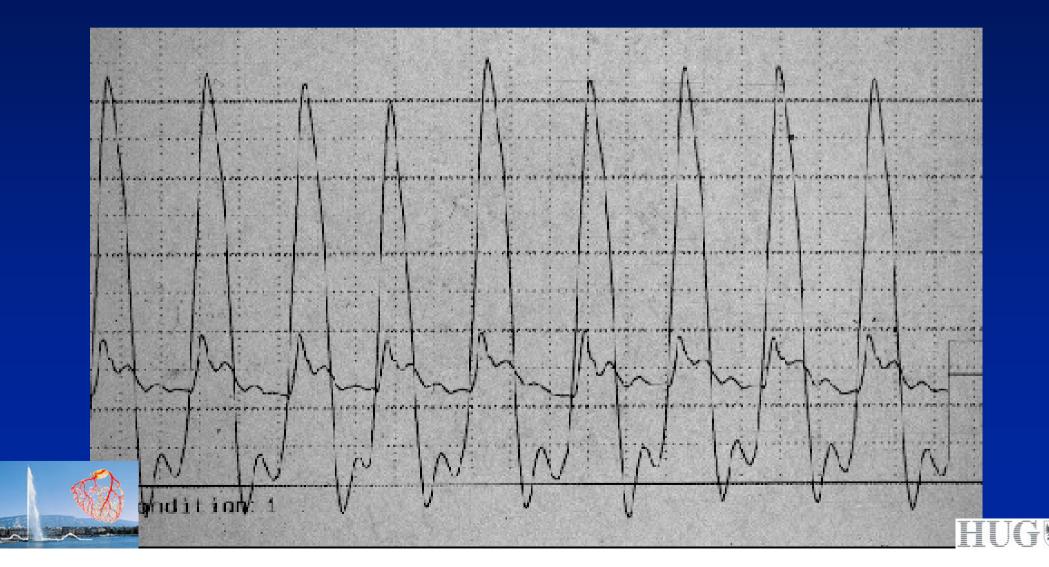
- Alcohol Ablation of HOCM (NSMR):
 –1st Clinical Experience (Sigwart 1994):
 - 3 patients with highly symptomatic HOCM resistant to drugs and DDD pacing
 - Catheter induced septal infarction (OH)
 - No complications
 - Dramatic symptomatic improvement (Lancet 1995)















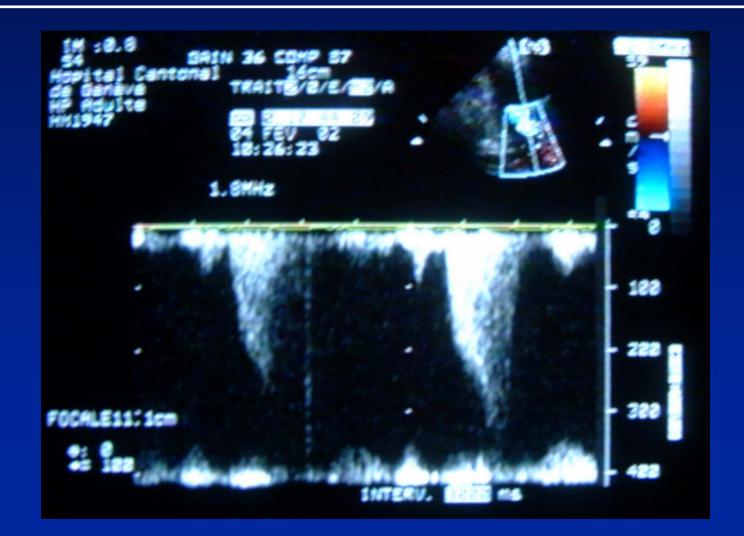
- Inclusion Criteria:
 Symptomatic HOCM with
 - SAM
 - Septum thickness more than 18 mm
 - Resting gradient more than 30 mmHg
 - Provoked gradient more than 60 mmHg





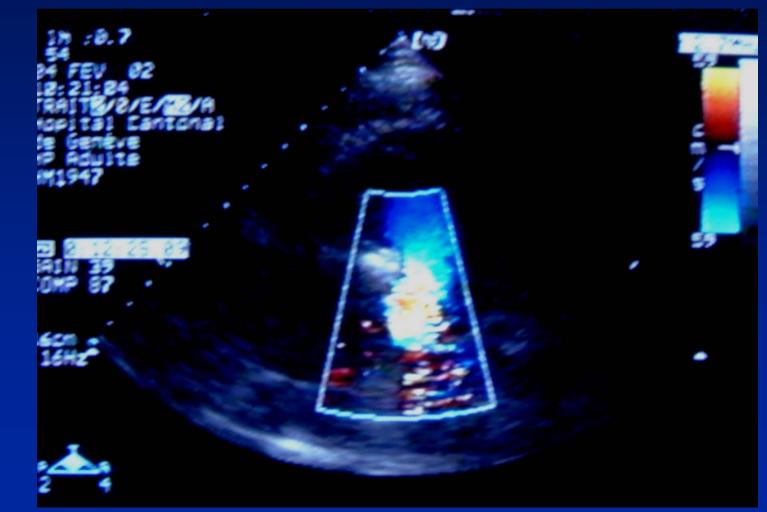
• Procedural Details: -Simultaneous pressures LV and Ao –PTCA guide F7 in LCA, PM in RV -Coaxial OTW balloon stable in S1 (evtl. S2,3) -ECHO: 1 to 2 ml contrast through balloon -Mild sedation and/or analgesia -1 to 3 ml of absolute alcohol through balloon

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Alternative ways under investigation:
 – Coil occlusion
 – Particle embolizisation





• Results:

- -Immediate gradient reduction
- -Immediate symptom reduction
- -Further gradient reduction over 1st three months
- -Improvement of exercise capacity
- -Reduction of SAM, MR, PAP & LVEDP





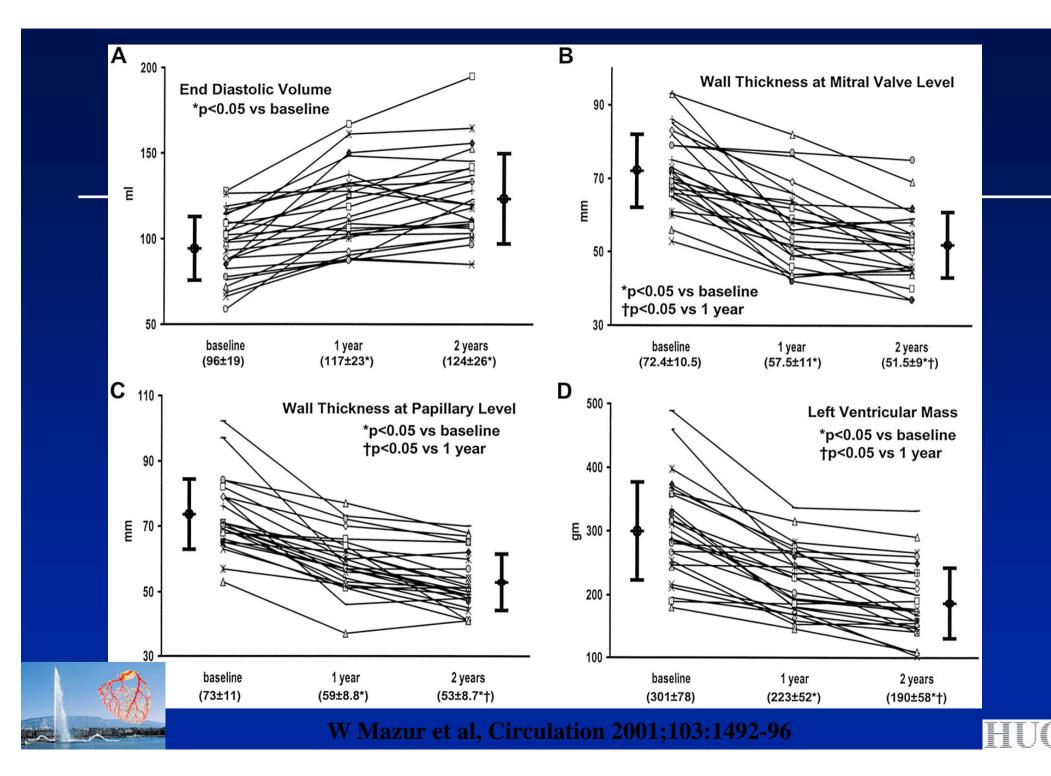
• Baylor results (N = 213) up to 4 years FU: 1.4 + -0.56-Number of septals -Peak CK elevation 1463 ± -884 –Permanent PM (total) 15% –Permanent PM (late series) 10% -Reduction of LVEF from 75 to 63 % over time



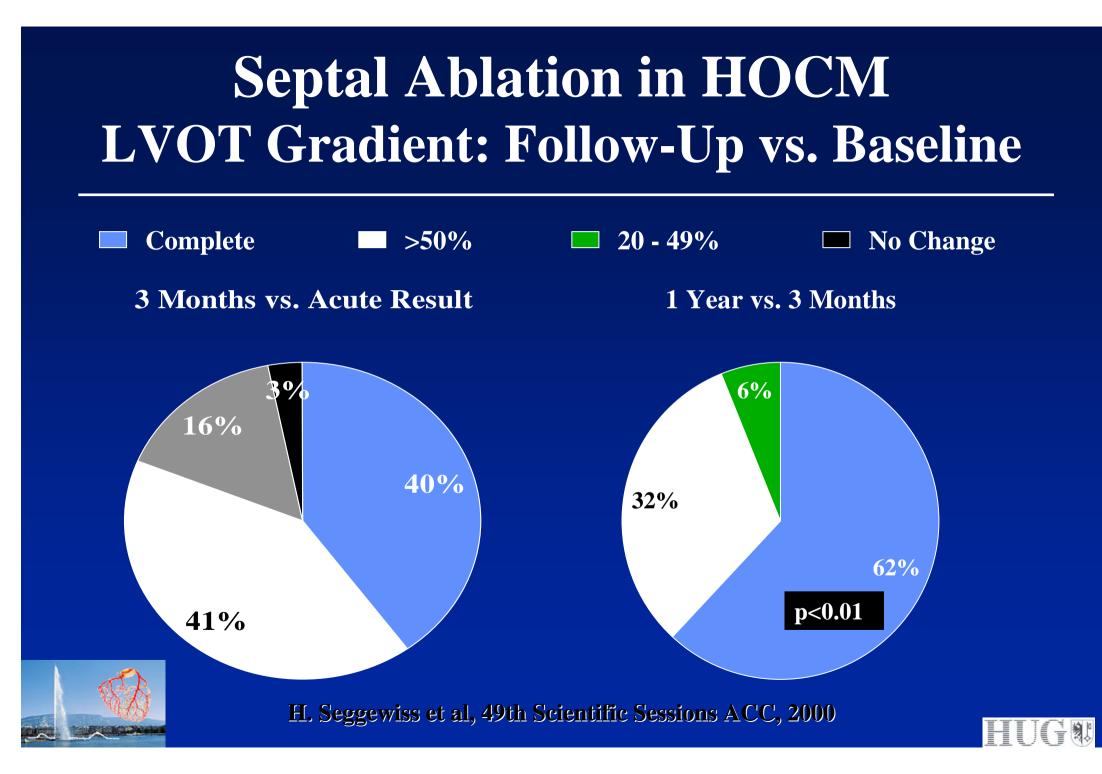
• German regist.(N=264) up to 6 years FU: -Number of septals 1.1 + -0.3-Peak CK elevation 482 + / - 2641.2%-Mortality -Permanent PM 9.6% –Inst. resting gradient reduction 75%

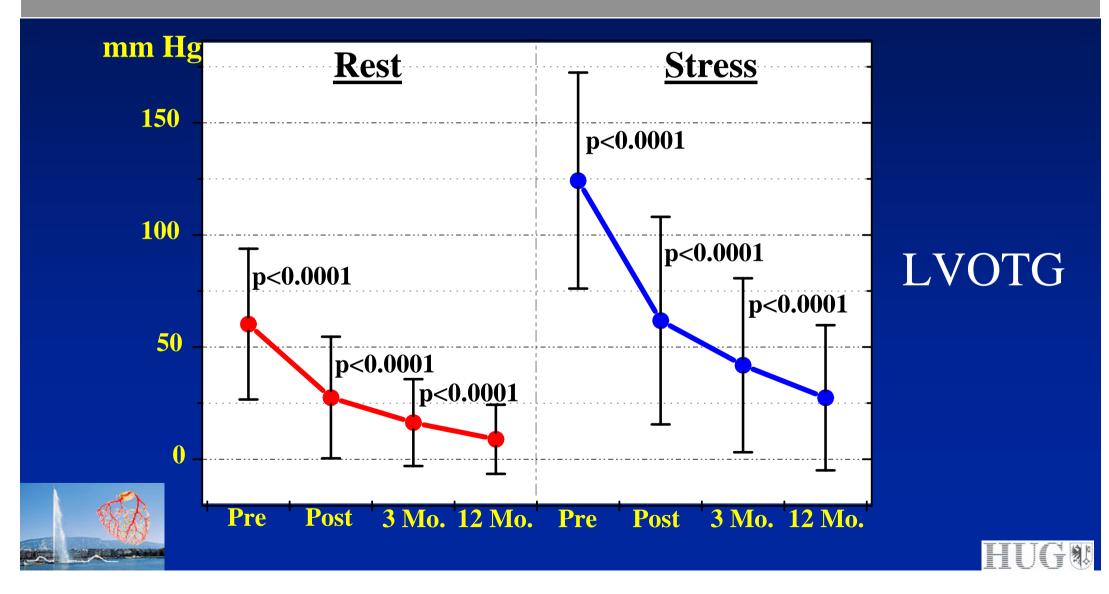
Kuhn et al 2004





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Catheter vs Surgery

No systematic, randomised comparison!

 Number of myectomies
 Collected over 40 years and falling
 Number of ablations
 Collected over 9 years and rising





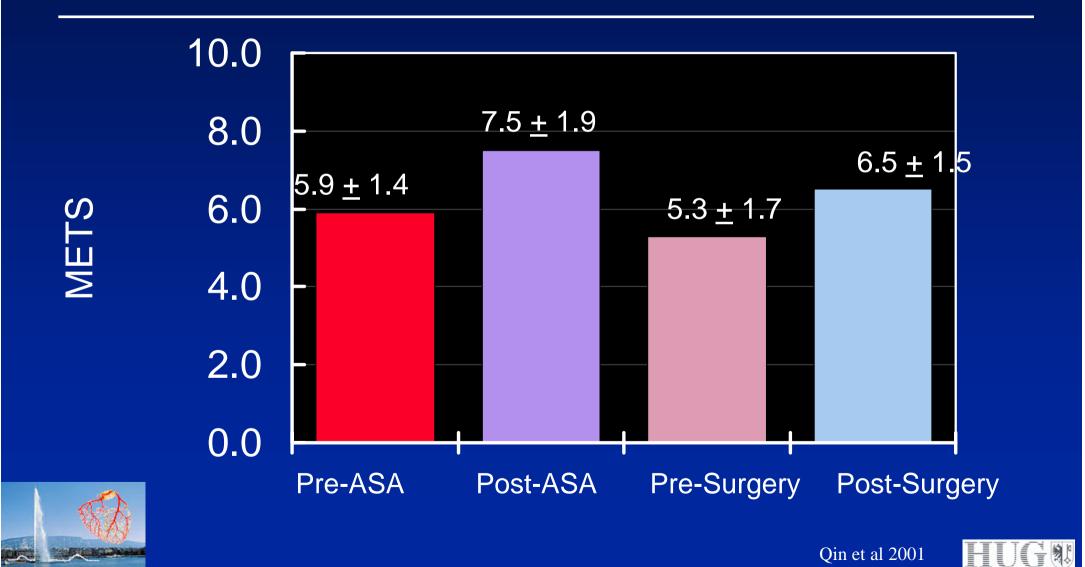
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- Potential danger:
 - Surgical expertise may suffer from low volume
 Catheter results may suffer from poor indication, dispersion and low volume per operator

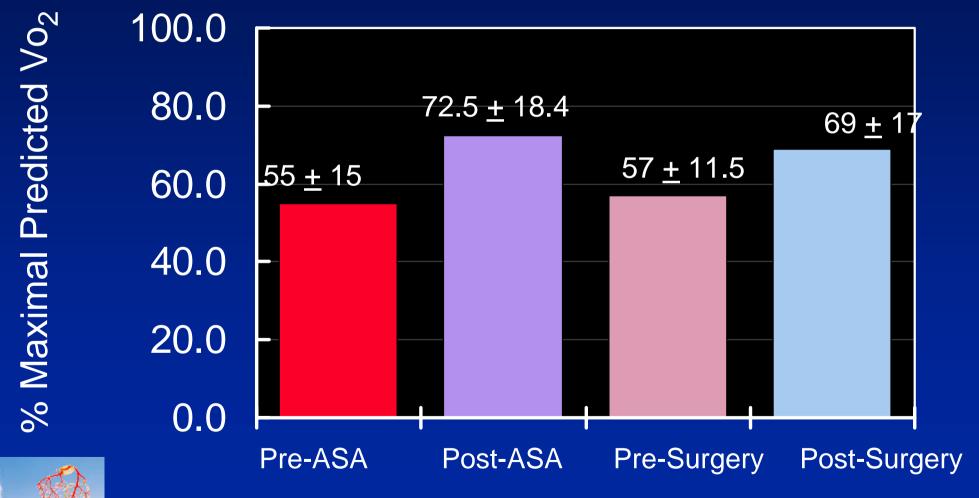




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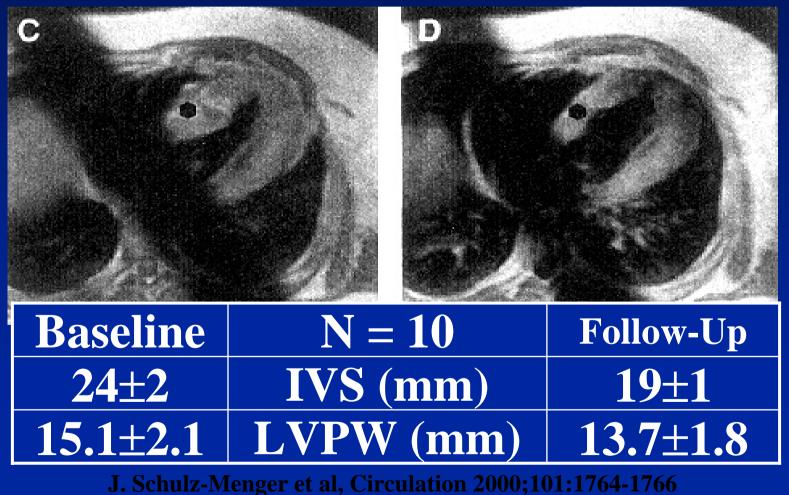


HUG

Qin et al 2001



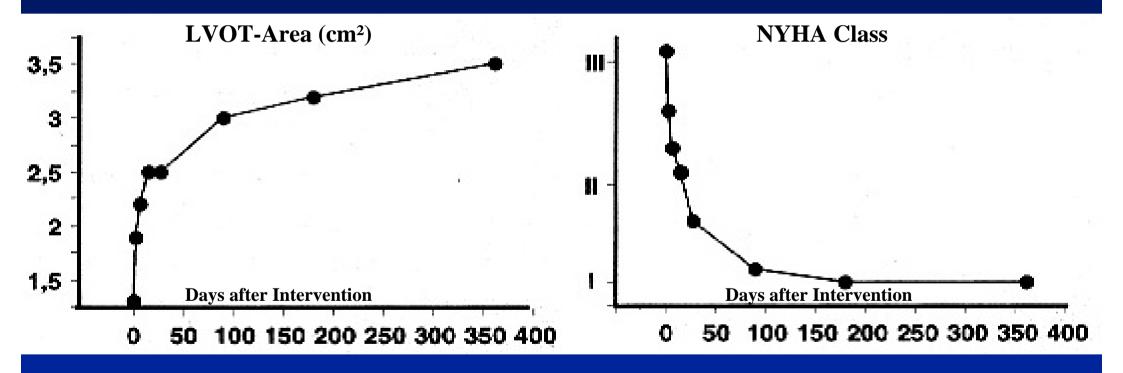
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J. Schulz-Menger et al, Circulation 2000;101:1764-1766



- Complications:
 - -Pain, mild to moderate, short duration
 - -Ventricular arrhythmia & ECG changes
 - -AV block, temporary or permanent
 - -OH spills, no re-flow, coronary dissection, pericardial tamponade, death

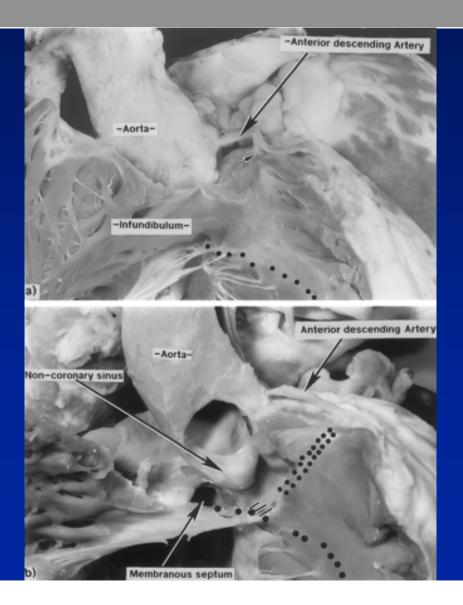




Complications: AV block

Sigwart et al. Circulation. 1998;98:377-378





• Patient information: -Alternative options: yes / no +/-90%-Procedural success: +/-1%-Mortality: -Transient AV block: +/-30%+/-10%-Permanent AV block: -Limited *very long term* experience



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- -NSMR is effective in short and long term
- -relieves symptoms and gradients in HOCM
- -does not produce unwanted LV dilatation
- appears more effective than DDD pacing and maybe as effective as surgery in many patients



