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New Frontiers in Cardiology 2

Today's Highlights

CSC-KSC Joint Symposium (Heart Failure)

Update in the Management of AHF

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New Frontiers in Cardiology 2

Evolving and Emerging Issue in Cardiology

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Rm. Theatre (B1)

Cross Specialty Session 2: Heart Failure & Arrhythmia

Device Therapy in Heart Failure

10:30 AM-12:00 PM

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Late Breaking & Featured Research from Asia-Pacific 2

14:00 PM-16:00 PM

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JCS-KSC Joint Symposium (Basic Research)

Advances in Plaque Biology

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Rm. Grand 1 (B1)

E-Poster Session

09:00 AM-12:00 PM, 14:00 PM-17:00 PM

Rm. Vista (B2)

What's New in Coronary Stenting?



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Over the past 15 years, drug-eluting stents (DES) have continued to evolve. Nonetheless, current generation DES continue to have important limitations such as very late stent thrombosis, refractory restenosis and requiring long-term dual antiplatelet therapy.

One current approach to these issues has been the development of DES that incorporate bioabsorbable polymers (BP-DES). These newer devices use polymers that gradually dissolve or are metabolized such that ultimately, only a bare metal stent remains. To the extent that late thrombotic or restenotic events represent foreign body reactions stimulated by exposure to polymeric stent coatings, BP-DES have the potential to reduce these problematic late events. Currently several such devices are available worldwide including the Biomatrix (Biosensors), the Synergy (Boston Scientific) and the Orsiro stent (Biotronik). Although late event reduction has yet to be definitively demonstrated with BP-DES, recently in the randomized BIOFLOW-V trial, the Orsiro stent was demonstrated to have superior 1-year outcomes compared with the Xience stent. A second approach is the development of polymer-free drug-eluting stents (PF-DES). These devices use a variety of novel approaches in order to control drug delivery. One such device is the

BioFreedom drug-coated stent (DCS), which uses a microstructured surface in order to hold and release biolimus A-9 over 1 month. One of the main advantages of the BioFreedom DCS is that it does not require long-term DAPT. So, the BioFreedom stent may be an ideal device for patients at high risk of bleeding who cannot tolerate long-term DAPT. In the LEADERS-FREE trial, patients who were at high bleeding risk were randomized to receive either a BMS or the BioFreedom DCS and were treated with 1 month of DAPT. In this extremely challenging population, not only was the DCS more effective than BMS but it was also safer with lower rates of death/MI/or stent thrombosis.

Although the above two devices overcome many of the current limitations of DES, both leave a rigid scaffold behind, thus limiting the ability of the vessel to heal and to restore normal vasomotion. To overcome these limitations, device manufacturers have begun to develop fully bioresorbable vascular scaffolds (BVS) such as the Absorb BVS. Although there is tremendous hope that these devices would provide the best of all worlds, to date, the results have been somewhat disappointing. Specifically, clinical trials have demonstrated that the rate of early stent/scaffold thrombosis with the Absorb BVS is 3-4 fold higher than with the Xience EES,

leading to higher rates of MI and target lesion revascularization as well. These studies are largely limited to 2-3 year follow-up, however, a time frame during which the Absorb BVS continues to undergo resorption. Longer term follow-up may be necessary to demonstrate the true benefit of these devices over metallic DES. Research is also ongoing to determine whether reductions in scaffold strut thickness, more rapid scaffold resorption, or even use of resorbable metals might overcome these early device limitations. Until these challenges can be overcome, however, the promise of a fully resorbable vascular scaffold remains elusive.

What is a Vulnerable Plaque and How Can It Be Imaged?



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The majority of myocardial infarctions (MI) occur as a consequence of acute plaque rupture, often with little or no prior warning. Plaques that rupture have certain common pathological characteristics that include inflammation, a thin fibrous cap, positive remodelling, a large necrotic core, microcalcification

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12:40	Scientific Session 6 [BMS]	Scientific Session 7 [MSD]				Scientific Session 8 [Pfizer]	Scientific Session 9 [Ildong]			
13:30		Diamond Session [Bayer]								
14:00	Live 2	Late Breaking & Featured Research from Asia-Pacific 2	Pediatric Cardiology 1	Nurse-Technician Session 1	Cardiac Surgery 2	Arrhythmia 4	Imaging 1	Oral Abstracts Arrhythmia 4	Oral Abstracts CAD 3	Oral Abstracts Intervention 3
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Scientific & Diamond Sessions

Scientific Session 6 [BMS]

Recent Advances in Improving Patient Care with Apixaban
» Oct 13, 12:00-12:40 Rm. Theatre

Scientific Session 7 [MSD]

The Latest Updates on the Management of Patients with CVD
» Oct 13, 12:00-12:40 Rm. Grand1

Scientific Session 8 [Pfizer]

Clinical Challenges in Cardiovascular Prevention
» Oct 13, 12:00-12:40 Rm. Cosmos

Scientific Session 9 [Ildong]

Current Option of Antihypertensive Therapy (Triple Combination Therapy in Hypertensive Patients)
» Oct 13, 12:00-12:40 Rm. Calla

Diamond Session [Bayer]

Understanding Real World Evidence of Rivaroxaban in the World
» Oct 13, 12:50-13:30 Rm. Grand1

Presentation

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Case zone

You could be the Case Winner!

Oct.12-14
12:40-13:50

 **Vista Hall (B2)**

Live Sessions

Live 1 : Coronary

- 1) Complex CTO
- 2) LM Bifurcation Lesion

Live 2 : Endovascular

- 1) SFA
- 2) BTK

Live 3 : TAVI and LAAO

- 1) TAVI
- 2) LAAO

2017년 대한심장학회 정기총회

- KSC's 60th Anniversary -

Oct. 13 (Fri)

17:30

Rm. Theatre

Highlights

대한심장학회 60주년 기념 영상 공개

KSC Awards Ceremony

Young Investigator Award Competition

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Today's Interview

Theatre Lobby

09:00-09:30

Past, Present and Future in Electrophysiology

Interviewer: Seongwook Han
Interviewee: Chun Hwang

10:00-10:30

The Direction of Stent

Interviewer: Kyung Woo Park
Interviewee: David Cohen

13:30-14:00

New Imaging Tool and Definition of Vulnerable Plaque

Interviewer: Bon-Kwon Koo
Interviewee: Marc Dweck

14:00-14:30

Evolving and Emerging Issue in Cardiology

Interviewer: Young-Hoon Kim
Interviewees: Raj Khandwalla, Euan Ashley, Shih-Ann Chen

16:00-16:30

Device Therapy in Heart Failure

Interviewers: Dong-Gu Shin, Sang Weon Park
Interviewees: Jong-Chan Youn, Jin Joo Park

Wrap-up
Interview



Imaging

Echocardiographic Findings in Cardiac Sarcoidosis



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Cardiac manifestation of sarcoidosis is estimated to be about 5%. However, about 20% to 25% of patients with pulmonary/systemic sarcoidosis are expected to have asymptomatic cardiac involvement (clinically silent). Recent studies suggest that cardiac sarcoidosis appears to be increasingly diagnosed, likely due to improvements in imaging and/or more thorough investigation.

The echocardiogram is often abnormal

in clinically manifest disease, but is usually normal in clinically silent cardiac sarcoidosis. Abnormalities found on echocardiography are variable and usually nonspecific, although interventricular septal thinning, especially at the basal segment, can be a feature of cardiac sarcoidosis, which can be unrecognized at its early stage. In addition, although less frequently, there may be an increase in myocardial wall thickness, simulating LV hypertrophy or resembling hypertrophic cardiomyopathy. Other abnormalities include left ventricular and/or right ventricular diastolic and systolic dysfunction, isolated wall motion abnormalities, and aneurysm formation. Cardiac sarcoidosis should be suspected in patients with regional wall motion abnormalities not consistent with coronary artery territory.

However, all of these echocardiographic findings are clinically manifest at its mid to late stage. Newer techniques, including myocardial strain and/or strain rate, show promise in the early diagnosis of cardiac sarcoidosis according to recent publications, although this should be evaluated further in future trials. Given that extent of LV dysfunction seems to be the most important predictor of prognosis, however, echocardiogram can be of a prognostic value in patients with cardiac sarcoidosis.

Imaging 1

» Friday, Oct 13, 14:00-16:00 PM / Calla

Late Breaking & Featured Research from Asia-Pacific 2

Coronary Atherosclerotic Precursors of Acute Coronary Syndromes



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The overall objective of the ICONIC (Incident COroNary Syndromes Identified by Computed Tomography) study was to determine the prognostic significance of APCs for the identification of individuals who will versus will not experience future ACS in a primary prevention

population without known coronary artery disease (CAD).

The study was designed as a nested case-control study within a cohort of 25,251 patients from 13 sites in North America, Europe, and Asia, undergoing coronary computed tomographic angiography (CCTA) with follow-up over 3.4±2.1 years. ACS patients and non-events with no prior CAD were propensity matched 1:1 for risk factors and CCTA-evaluated obstructive (≥50%) CAD.

In this case-control study of stable patients without prior CAD, the majority did not possess high-grade coronary stenosis before experiencing ACS. Independent of %DS, coronary atherosclerotic precursors of ACS include fibro-fatty and necrotic core PV, but not total or calcified PV (Figure 1). HRP features (positive remodeling, necrotic

core, spotty calcifications) offer the greatest prognostic utility to pinpoint patients who will experience future ACS. These results suggest the importance of quantitative characterization of coronary APCs for improved diagnosis of patients who will versus will not experience future ACS.

Post hoc Analysis of the PARADIGM Heart Failure Trial: Pulse Pressure and Outcomes in Heart Failure with Reduced Ejection Fraction



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Dr. Chen will present the results of his study, where he examined the associations between pulse pressure/pulse pressure change and outcomes in patients with HF-REF in PARADIGM-HF. Patients were randomized in PARADIGM-HF to either sacubitril/valsartan or enalapril. Pulse pressure at baseline (n=8361) and at 4 months (n=7740) were categorized as PP1, ≤40 mmHg; PP2, 41-54 mmHg; and PP3, ≥55 mmHg. At baseline, compared to PP2, neither PP1 nor PP3 was associated with a higher or lower risk of the primary outcome. At 4 months, PP1 had a higher risk than PP2 (hazard ratio 1.28, 95% CI 1.13-1.44, $p<0.0001$). dPP1 was associated with a higher (1.20, 1.06-1.35, $p=0.0046$) and dPP3 a lower (0.85, 0.75-0.97, $p=0.0128$) risk, compared to dPP2.

Sacubitril/valsartan reduced pulse pressure by -0.15 ± 12.80 mmHg, whereas enalapril increased pulse pressure by 1.73 ± 12.76 mmHg ($p<0.001$). Sacubitril/valsartan improved the outcome irrespective of the baseline pulse pressure or the change in pulse pressure. The risk of outcomes did not vary by pulse pressure at baseline in PARADIGM-HF. In contrast, an increase or decrease of PP during treatment may indicate a better or worse outcome in HF-REF, possibly reflecting an improving or worsening

of left ventricular function.

¹⁸F-Fluorodeoxyglucose PET/CT Predicts the Response of Steroid Therapy in Constrictive Pericarditis



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Dr. Chang will present the results of her study, where she hypothesized that ¹⁸F-Fluorodeoxyglucose (¹⁸F-FDG) positron emission tomography/computed tomography (PET/CT) predicts the response of steroid therapy in constrictive pericarditis. Patients who were diagnosed as constrictive pericarditis (age 18 to 70 years old) were consequently enrolled. All patients had laboratory tests, echocardiography, and ¹⁸F-FDG PET/CT at enrollment and were treated with steroid for 3 months. ¹⁸F-FDG PET/CT and echocardiography were repeated after 3 months of treatment, and SUVmax (maximum standardized uptake value) of the pericardium was analyzed.

Sixteen patients (mean age 63±12 years old and female 12%) were analyzed. Pericardial SUVmax at baseline was 7.8 ± 1.4 in responders and 3.1 ± 1.2 in non-responders ($p=0.01$). SUVmax was greater than 3.0 in all responders and only in two (29%) non-responders. ¹⁸F-FDG PET/CT can predict the reversibility of constrictive pericarditis with 3 month of steroid therapy.

Long-Term Efficacy of Treat and Repair Strategy in Adult Patients with Atrial Septal Defect and Pulmonary Artery Hypertension

The purpose of this study was to evaluate the long-term efficacy of the treat and repair strategy for ASD with significant PAH (mean pulmonary artery pressure [mPAP] >25 mmHg and PVR >3 Wood units). A total of 616 adult patients who underwent transcatheter ASD closure were divided into 3 groups: PAH/specific-medical therapy (n=11), PAH/no-specific-medical



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therapy (n=43), no-PAH (n=562). The endpoint was defined as cardiovascular mortality and hospitalization for heart failure.

Initially, the PHM group had higher PVR compared with non-PHM group (9.6 ± 3.8 vs. 4.2 ± 1.0 Wood units, $p<0.01$). After treatment with PAH-specific medications, PVR in this group decreased to 4.0 ± 0.8 Wood units ($p<0.01$). In the PHM group, during a treatment period of 52±48 months, the WHO Functional Classification significantly improved (3.0 ± 0.5 to 2.0 ± 0.0 , $p<0.01$), as well as in the non-PHM group (2.1 ± 0.6 to 1.5 ± 0.5 , $p<0.01$). Treat and repair strategy for ASD with severe PAH can be considered as a safe and valuable therapeutic option even in patients complicated with significant PAH.

Late Breaking & Featured Research from Asia-Pacific 2

» Friday, Oct 13, 14:00-16:00 PM / Grand 1

Nurse-Technician Session

Nurse-Technician Session 1

- Special Lecture: Diagnosis of ACS
 - How to Organize the Evaluation of ACS
- » Oct 13, 14:00-16:00 Rm. Grand5

Nurse-Technician Session 2

- Case Presentation: a Variety of ACS Case
- » Oct 13, 16:00-17:30 Rm. Grand5

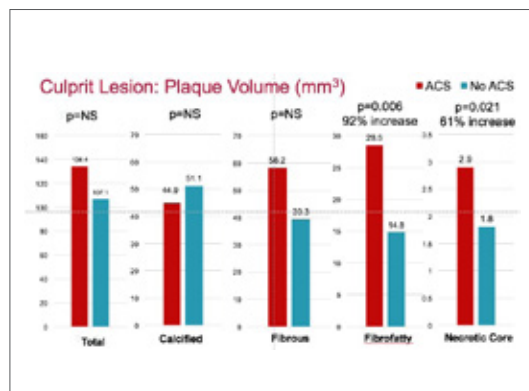


Figure 1. Plaque volumes as coronary atherosclerotic precursors



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Professor and Doctor Yangsoo Jang, MD PhD, Editor-in-Chief of Korean Circulation Journal (KCJ), describes his ambitions for the journal: "The Korean Circulation Journal strives to convey the latest research from top scientists around the globe, as well as share the most up-to-date news in cardiology. Authors can use our new submission system at (<http://kcj.edmgr.com>), which now utilizes Editorial Manager™, the system preferred by the world's top publications."

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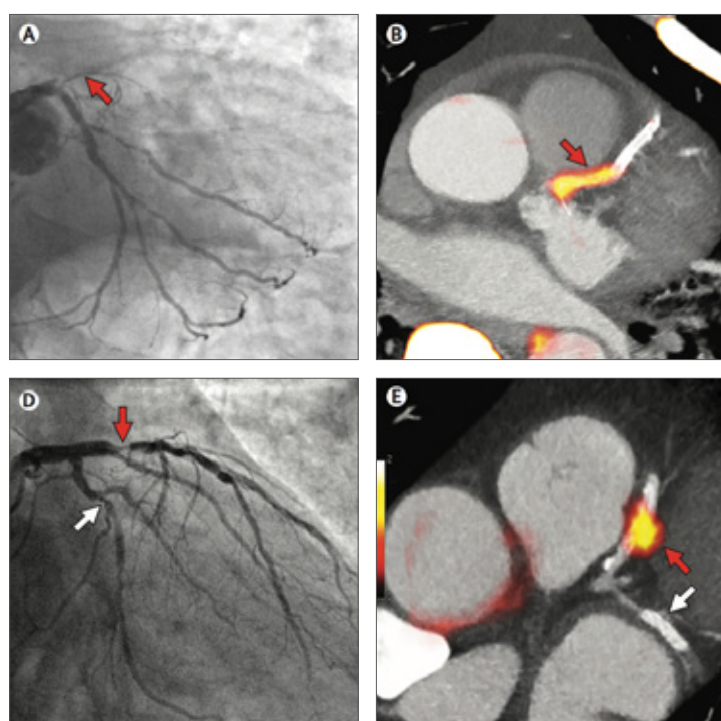


Figure 1. Increased ^{18}F -fluoride PET activity localising to the culprit plaque (red arrows) in two patients following AMI
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and intraplaque haemorrhage. These features have been used as imaging targets to identify the vulnerable plaque: plaques felt to be at high risk of rupture. Indeed an expanding array of invasive and non-invasive approaches targeting the vulnerable plaque have been investigated in a growing number of clinical

trials. These studies have so far suggested that at the individual plaque level the majority of these supposedly high-risk lesions will in fact heal and stabilize without causing a clinical event. This has raised questions about the value of the vulnerable plaque strategy. However, the identification of vulnerable

plaque appears to be of greater value at the patient level, with numerous outcome studies demonstrating that patients with vulnerable plaque have up to a 10-fold increased risk of subsequent MI. Interest therefore persists in examining high-risk plaque characteristics in the coronary vasculature with multiple different non-invasive techniques holding particular promise.

Computed tomography (CT) can identify high-risk plaque characteristics in addition to standard assessments of plaque burden and luminal stenosis severity. These include spotty calcification, napkin ring sign, positive remodelling and low attenuation necrotic core. Patients with plaques that have both positive remodelling and low attenuation appear at particularly high risk of future events especially if they also have obstructive coronary artery disease. T1-weighted magnetic resonance (MR) can identify plaques with acute intra-plaque hemorrhage or intraluminal thrombus based upon the high signal in methemoglobin (an important component of newly develop thrombus). This allows detection of these plaque features in the coronary and carotid arteries. Once again patients with high intensity plaque on this technique have an increased risk of future cardiovascular events. For both these CT and MR imaging approaches large-scale multi-centre studies are now required for confirmation.

Finally positron emission tomography (PET) can be fused with CT and MR

imaging of the coronary arteries to provide information about disease activity and plaque vulnerability. The most commonly used tracer ^{18}F -fluorodeoxyglucose can be used to measure vascular inflammation in the carotid arteries with initial data suggesting increased events in patients with the highest uptake. However its use in the coronary arteries is limited prompting exploration of other tracers that are more specific to inflammation including Gallium-68 dotatate. Of perhaps greatest interest ^{18}F -fluoride detects newly developing microcalcification with early studies suggesting that it localizes to plaques with multiple high risk features in patients with increased cardiovascular risk factors. In a study of patients with recent MI ^{18}F -fluoride PET accurately identified the culprit coronary plaque that had ruptured and caused the MI in >90% of cases (**Figure 1**). The multi-centre PREFFIR trial is currently underway which will prospectively assess whether ^{18}F -fluoride PET can accurately identify patients at increased risk of myocardial infarction and improve risk prediction compared to contrast CT angiographic techniques.

New Frontiers in Cardiology 2
Evolving and Emerging Issue in
Cardiology

» Friday, Oct 13, 10:30 AM-12:00 PM / Theatre

Arrhythmia & HF: an Area Where Electricity and Mechanics Merge

Arrhythmia & Heart Failure: Dedicated Collaboration Is Essential to Overcome Heart Failure

Heart failure is a major health problem associated with significant morbidity and mortality. Despite priceless mega-trials which demonstrated the survival benefit of beta blockers, angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors (ACEi), angiotensin receptor blockers (ARB), mineralocorticoid receptor antagonists, and neprilysin inhibitors (ARNI), the mortality rate of heart failure is not satisfactory. Patients are getting older, and recent advances in interventional cardiology have substantially prolonged the survival of heart failure patients, which, paradoxically, has now worsened the severity of heart failure.

Beta blockers and ACEi are the cornerstone of heart failure management. Mineralocorticoid receptor antagonists, such as spironolactone, can also increase survival of heart failure patients. However, these drugs cannot immediately improve symptoms of heart failure patients. Rather, they, especially beta blockers, can actually aggravate heart failure symptoms in the initial stage of treatment. For symptomatic care of heart failure, diuretics and inotropics such as digoxin and dobutamine can be used. Vasodilators such as nitroglycerine is also used to manage heart failure. However, these drugs have no effect on improving survival.

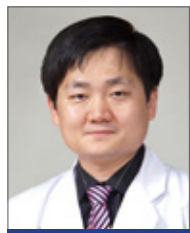
Recently, biventricular pacing, also known as cardiac resynchronization therapy (CRT), was introduced. CRT have proven its efficacy in a wide range of heart failure patients. The prime advantage of CRT is that it can improve both survival and symptoms. Furthermore, CRT demonstrated additive benefit in hard clinical outcomes and patient symptoms in patients already taking optimal medical therapy. Therefore, CRT is now a class I indication in selected patients. It has also received class IIa indication in a wide range of heart failure patients. CRT is now a 'must-do' procedure in selected cases of heart failure, and physicians should be fully aware of the current indications of CRT. Implantable cardiac defibrillator (ICD) has also proved its clinical benefit including overall mortality in various heart failure patients. In adequately selected heart failure patients, combining CRT and ICD (CRT-D), is better than either therapy alone. The incidence and prevalence of heart failure patients are rapidly growing in the recent years, and, therefore, appropriate implantation of cardiac electronic devices, such as CRT, ICD, or CRT-D, has become a cornerstone of heart failure management. Four speakers will discuss about clinical benefit, indication, and future perspective of CRT, ICD, and CRT-D.



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Dr. Youn will discuss about the established indications for CRT and ICD implantation. In brief, all the guidelines strongly recommend CRT for LBBB with QRS duration greater than 150 milliseconds. Lower strength of recommendation is suggested for QRS

duration of 120 to 150 milliseconds, especially if not associated with LBBB. CRT is not recommended for a QRS of less than 120 milliseconds. An ICD is recommended to reduce the risk of sudden death and all-cause mortality in patients with symptomatic HF (NYHA Class II–III) and an LVEF $\leq 35\%$ despite ≥ 3 months of guideline-directed medical therapy. Dr. Youn will also discuss about the current clinical practice regarding CRT and ICD implantation in the Republic of Korea (Figure 1).



Jum Suk Ko, MD
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Dr. Ko will further discuss about the indications for CRT and ICD implantation. He will give insight on case-by-case indications for implantation of each device as well as simultaneous implantation. It will be particularly interesting

to discuss which specific patients will receive the greatest benefit, and which patients will experience serious adverse effects. Decision of adapting defibrillator function in CRT should be considered in most patients with advanced heart failure, but this decision should be based on the initial clinical situation of each patient and clinical follow-up status.

Dr. Joung will share his experience on how to control atrial and ventricular arrhythmias in patients with heart failure. He will discuss about atrioventricular node ablation in conjunction with CRT implantation in heart failure patients accompanied by atrial fibrillation. The role of radiofrequency

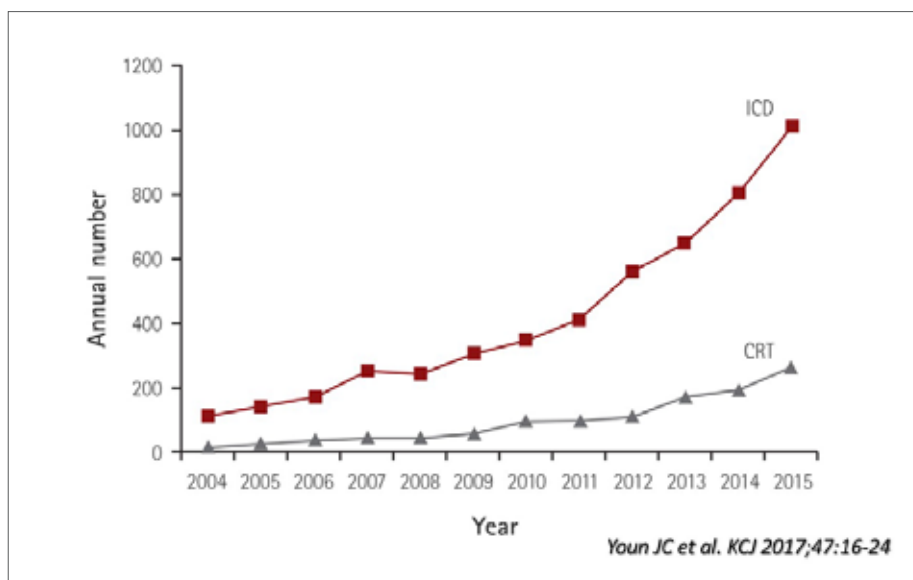


Figure 1. Temporal trends of CIED in Korea



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catheter ablation in such patients will also be discussed. Managing ventricular arrhythmias in heart failure patients is of critical importance. Dr. Joung will present several methods, such as antiarrhythmic drugs, ICD, and catheter ablation to control ventricular arrhythmias in heart failure patients.

Dr. Park will present off-label use of biventricular pacing in critically-ill patients. Because the major randomized controlled trials with CRT excluded unstable patients, especially those on intravenous inotropic support, CRT is currently reserved for



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stable patients with heart failure and reduced ejection fraction who do not respond to optimal medical therapy and who have a wide QRS complex (Figure 2). Nonetheless, due to theoretical benefit of CRT on cardiac

candidate for implantation of left ventricular assisting device or heart transplantation.

Due to its significant medical burden, extensive resources have been utilized to find a better treatment for heart failure patients. Optimal management of heart failure requires interdisciplinary collaboration: coronary interventionalist, experts in heart failure management, pathologist, radiologist, and those who dedicate in rehabilitation process. After the emergence of biventricular pacing, and demonstration of its astonishing efficacy in heart failure, electrophysiologist is now a key player in the field of heart failure. Treating heart failure has now become a team game.

Cross-Specialty Session 2 Heart Failure & Arrhythmia

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hemodynamics, biventricular pacing has been sporadically used as a "rescue therapy" in critically-ill patients, who are catecholamine dependent, but not a

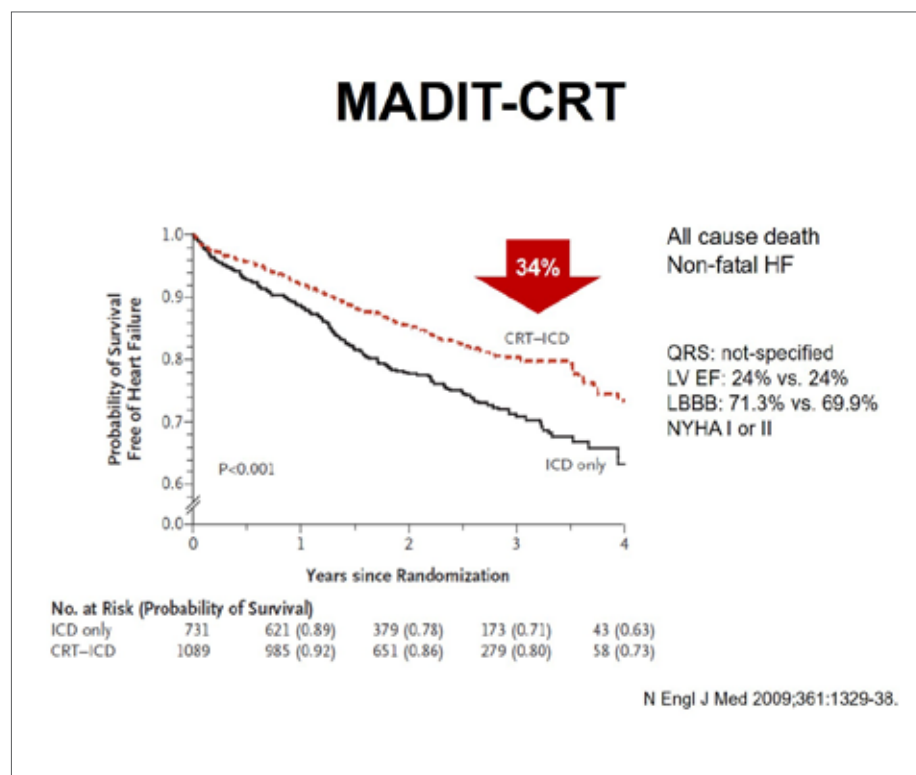


Figure 2. Clinical benefits of added biventricular pacing

Echo

Dilated Cardiomyopathy



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Cardiomyopathy is disease of the heart muscle. Prevalence of cardiomyopathy has been continuously increased. In 1980, first classification of cardiomyopathy was categorized with dilated (DCM), hypertrophic (HCM), restrictive (RCM), arrhythmogenic

right ventricular (ARVC) and unclassified cardiomyopathy. Since then, several classifications have been recently suggested (Figure 1). In fact, cardiomyopathy has practically been classified into ischemic and non-ischemic cardiomyopathy. Non-ischemic cardiomyopathy has been interchangeably used with DCM. Strictly speaking, however, DCM is defined to a spectrum of heterogeneous myocardial disorders that

are characterized by ventricular dilation and depressed myocardial performance in the absence of hypertension, valvular, congenital, or ischemic heart disease.

DCM has been characterized by symptoms/signs including dyspnea, fatigue, general weakness, pulmonary edema/pleural effusion and pitting edema, morphologic/functional cardiac findings

including damaged myocardial pathology, ventricular dilation/thinning and depressed myocardial performance and several etiologies including metabolic, endocrine, autoimmune, rheumatologic, infiltrative, genetic, and infectious causes and cardiotoxins.

Management strategies vary depending on the cause, and thus should be

individualized. Notwithstanding, the prognosis of DCM has generally improved due to advanced drug therapy, device therapy, and heart transplantation.

Echo 3 Cardiomyopathies

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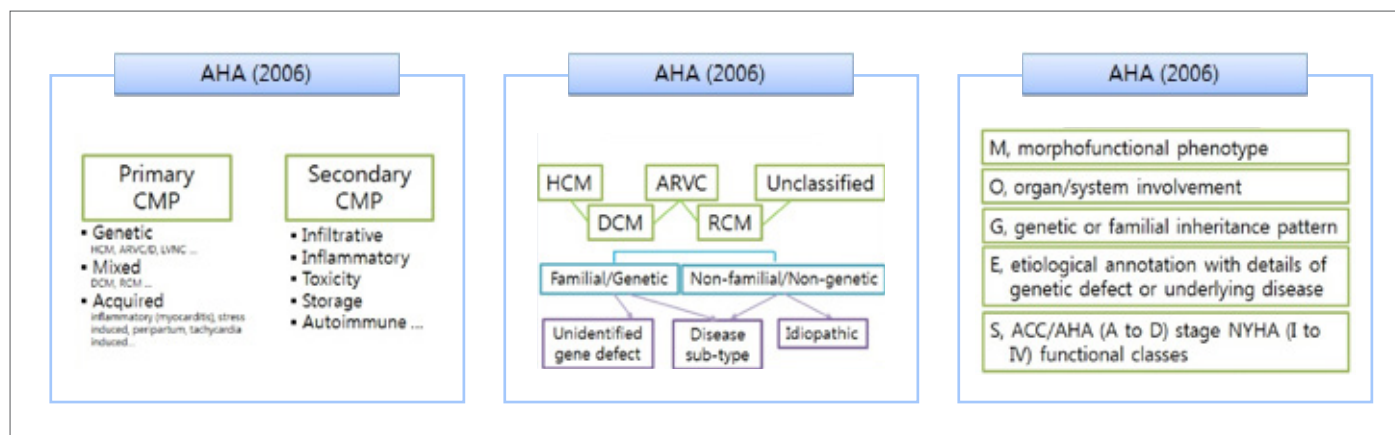


Figure 1. Various classification of cardiomyopathy

Knobology



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Yesterday, Prof. Ahn gave an excellent lecture regarding the knobology of echocardiographic machine, stressing the importance of platform manipulation and probe handling to get optimal echocardiographic images. This should help make a correct diagnosis and interpret the patient's condition.

Prof. Ahn first went over the basic controls

(Figure 2). The gain knob controls the overall brightness of the given images. Time gain compensation (TGC) allows the adjustment of image brightness at selective depth. The depth knob allows the adjustment of the depth of the field of view. The focus knob allows the focusing depth of the ultrasound beam to the area of interest. The frequency knob adjusts the ultrasound frequency to balance depth and resolution needs. High frequency gives better resolution, but limited tissue depth of view, and vice versa. Frame rate is the number of frames per second displayed and must be over 10 frames per second to create the illusion of real-time.

The current echocardiographic machine can make more than 20 frames per second. In the color Doppler bar, colors represent the mean velocity in a sample area. Colors represent the direction and velocity of blood flow. The black line at the center of the color Doppler bar indicates zero velocity. The color shown in the upper half of the color bar represents the flow toward the transducer in one color (i.e., red), and the color in the lower half represents the flow

away from the transducer (i.e., blue). A focal point can be moved to the area of specific interest to enhance the beam in that area. Doppler spectral information can displayed simultaneously with 2-D image or independently.

Finally, Prof. Ahn concluded his talk by

telling that understanding “knobology” is fundamental and is a prerequisite for better imaging acquisition.

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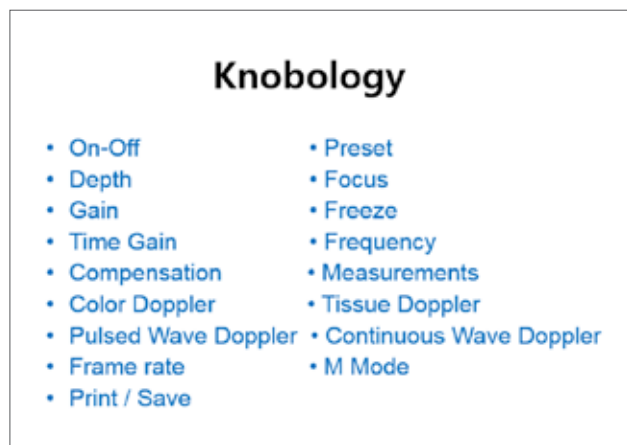


Figure 2. Basic controls of knobology

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The main theme of JCS-KSC Joint Symposium this year is "Advances in plaque biology". Four distinguished speakers will present to the attendees the advancements and current research trends in plaque biology. This session will offer opportunities to learn from and interact with the experts from Japan and Korea.



Goo Taeg Oh, PhD, DVM
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Professor Oh will give a lecture on immune and vascular cell network in atherosclerosis. Atherosclerosis is a chronic inflammatory disease in which intense immunological pathways play an essential role. During the progression of atherosclerosis, large numbers of inflammatory and immune cells accumulate in the intima. The accumulated immune cells, including T cells, macrophages, and dendritic cells (DCs), cross-talk each other and affect the development of atherosclerosis. Importantly, they found DCs that were poorly phagocytic but were immune stimulatory in the steady state mouse aorta. By crossing Flt3^{-/-} to Ldlr^{-/-} mice, deficiency of classical CD103⁺ aortic DCs exacerbated atherosclerosis and fewer Foxp3⁺ Treg cells. These data indicate that

functional DCs are dominant in normal aortic intima, and CD103⁺ classical DCs are associated with atherosclerosis protection. The function of CD137, a member of the tumor necrosis factor receptor superfamily, in mediating atherosclerosis plaque stability remains unknown. They found that the activation of CD137 signaling decreases the stability of plaques via its combined effects on T cells, vascular smooth muscle cells, and macrophages (Figure 1).

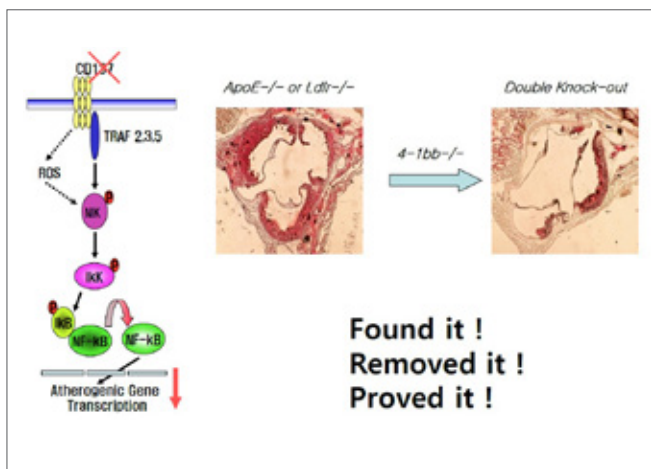
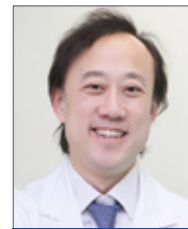


Figure 1. T Cell Co-stimulatory Factor: CD 137

metabolism and atherosclerosis development. Thus, miR-33a/b could be a novel therapeutic target for lipid disorder and atherosclerosis.



Ki Hoon Han, MD, PhD
University of Ulsan, Korea

Dr. Han will give a talk on the role of C-reactive protein (CRP) in plaque progression. CRP is a clinical marker representing the intrinsic inflammatory status. Moreover, CRP detected in plaque, which may originate from blood circulation or de novo synthesis by macrophages and vascular smooth muscle cells (VSMCs), may directly trigger the activation of specific receptors such as Fc-gamma receptors (FcγRs), and induce a number of innate immune responses including complement activation, monocyte recruitment, and the expression of cytokines and inflammatory mediators by macrophages. However, Previous animal intervention studies have reported conflicting results on the direct contribution of human CRP to the progression

of atherosclerosis in murine models. CRP was found to be ineffective in murine models dominant in very low density lipoprotein (VLDL). Only one study with apoE(-/-) mice, showing exceptionally high serum CRP level (>100 mg/L), demonstrated aggravation of atherosclerosis, suggesting an atherogenic property of CRP. Kovacs and colleagues showed that the modest expression of CRP (24 to 52 mg/L) was associated with less severe atherosclerosis in ApoB100/100/LDLR(-/-) mice. They developed moderate degree of hypercholesterolemia with a human-like lipoprotein profile in LDLR(-/-) mice. Under these conditions, moderately elevated plasma CRP levels resulted in a 30% reduction of aortic surface atherosclerosis compared to wild type LDLR(-/-) littermates. In the series of their work, he suggest that CRP molecule is not biologically inert, but may trigger complex cellular responses, which may result in progression or suppression of atherogenic process.

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Kimio Satoh, MD, PhD
Tohoku University, Japan

Dr. Satoh will deliver a lecture titled "development of novel therapies for cardiovascular diseases by clinical application of basic research". Cyclophilin A (CyPA) is secreted from vascular smooth muscle cells, inflammatory cells, activated platelets, and cardiac fibroblasts in response to environmental stimuli. Mechanistically, excessive and continuous activation of the RhoA/Rho-kinase system promotes the secretion of CyPA, resulting in the development of multiple cardiovascular diseases. Basigin (Bsg), a transmembrane glycoprotein that activates MMPs, is one of the extracellular receptor for CyPA and promotes cell proliferation and inflammation. Thus, the CyPA/Bsg system is potentially a novel therapeutic target for cardiovascular

diseases. Recently, they reported that plasma CyPA levels are increased in patients with cardiovascular diseases. Moreover, plasma CyPA levels predicted all-cause death in those. Additionally, they reported that plasma soluble Bsg levels are increased and predicted all-cause death in patients with heart failure, suggesting that both CyPA and Bsg are novel biomarkers for cardiovascular diseases. To further discover novel molecules targeting the CyPA/Bsg system, they performed high-throughput screening of 4,452 compounds and found molecules that ameliorate the development of animal model of cardiovascular diseases. Altogether, final goal of their research is to develop novel biomarkers and their inhibitors.



Takahiro Horie, MD, PhD
Kyoto University, Japan

Dr. Horie will give a lecture on the role of microRNAs in atherosclerosis. Recent reports indicated that miR-33a located within the intron of sterol regulatory element-binding factor (SREBF)2 controls cholesterol homeostasis via targeting ATP-binding cassette A1 (ABCA1). ABCA1 is a key molecule to form HDL cholesterol (HDL-C), which contributes to reverse cholesterol transport system in vivo. Indeed, miR-33a deficient mice showed elevated serum HDL-C levels via increased expression of ABCA1 and resistant to atherosclerosis or abdominal aortic aneurysm formation. On the other hand, primates, but not rodents, express a second miR-33 gene (miR-33b) from an intron of SREBF1. To address miR-33b function in vivo, they developed humanized mice, in which a miR-33b transgene is inserted within a Srebf1 intron. MiR-33b knock-in

mice for an intron of Srebf1 showed reduced HDL-C level via decreased expression of ABCA1 and promoted atherosclerosis formation. These results indicate that miR-33a/b, which are located in the intron of SREBF2/1 respectively, have a substantial function in regulating lipid

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