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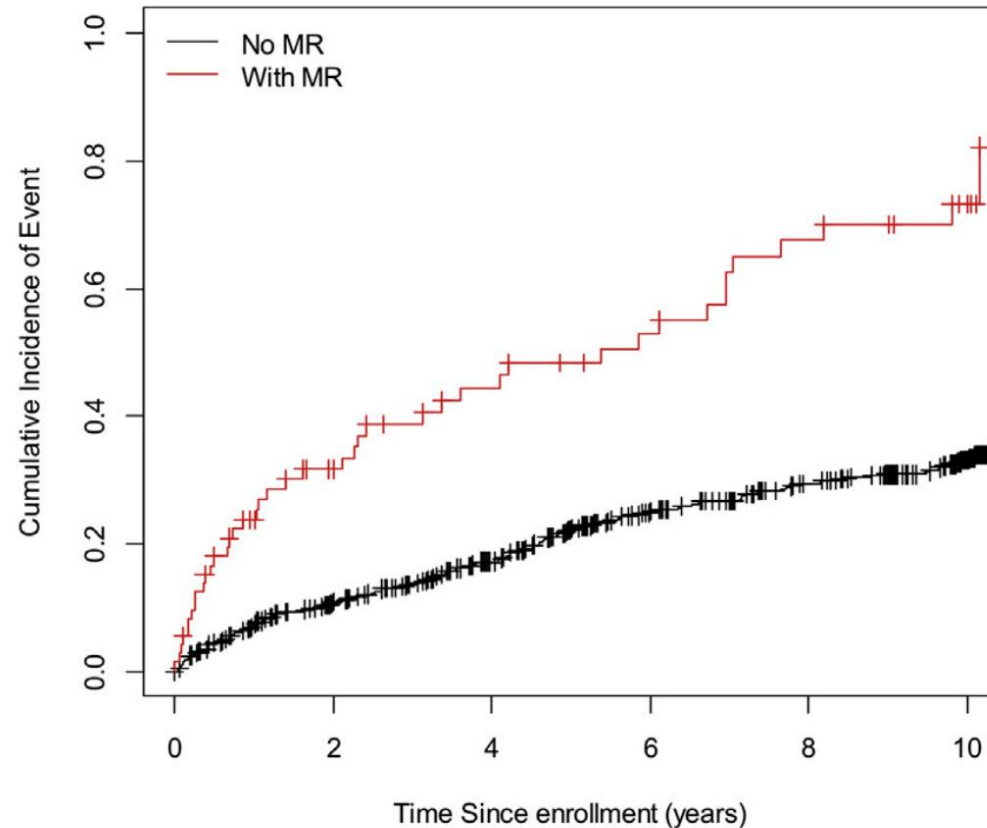
PROGRESSIVE-AF

Štěpán Havránek

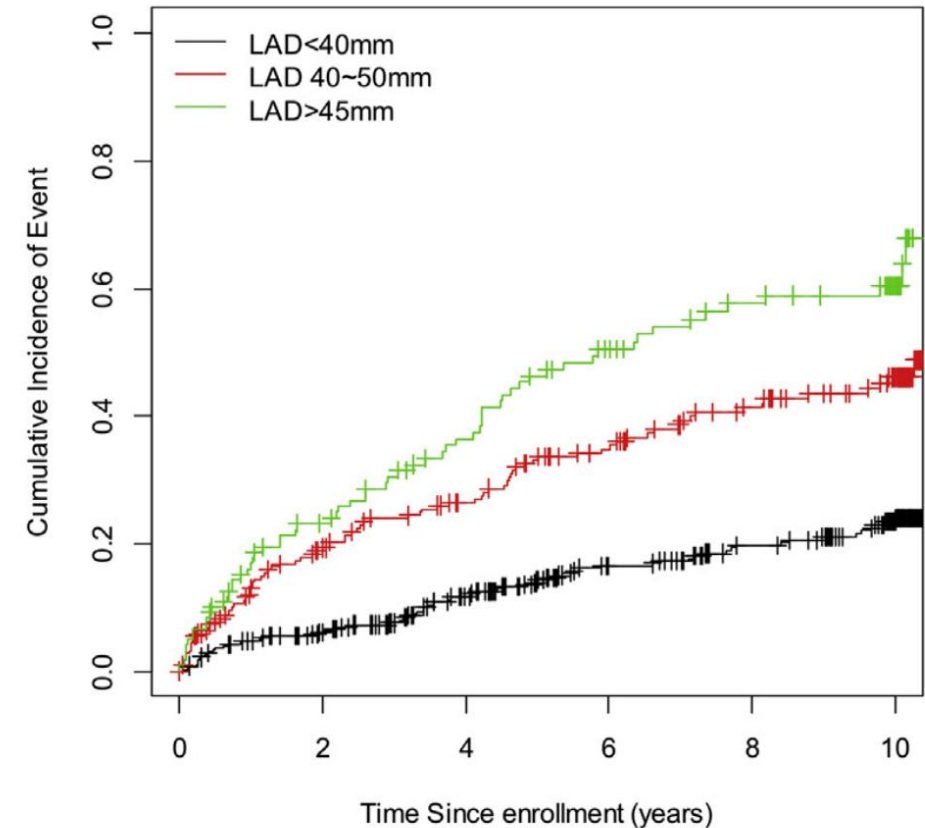
Fibrilace síní jako trvale progredující onemocnění

Progrese paroxysmální → perzistentní FS ~ 8 – 15% pacientů / 12 měsíců

Progrese FS dle mitrální regurgitace a dle dilatace levé síně



| Number at risk | | | | | | |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| No MR | 666 | 553 | 470 | 364 | 305 | 200 |
| With MR | 73 | 41 | 28 | 21 | 13 | 6 |



| Number at risk | | | | | | |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| LAD < 40mm | 367 | 322 | 276 | 218 | 191 | 128 |
| LAD 40~45mm | 222 | 162 | 136 | 107 | 83 | 53 |
| LAD > 45mm | 120 | 85 | 64 | 46 | 34 | 19 |

EAST: Časná kontrola rytmu snižuje CV mortalitu a výskyt CMP

Studijní populace

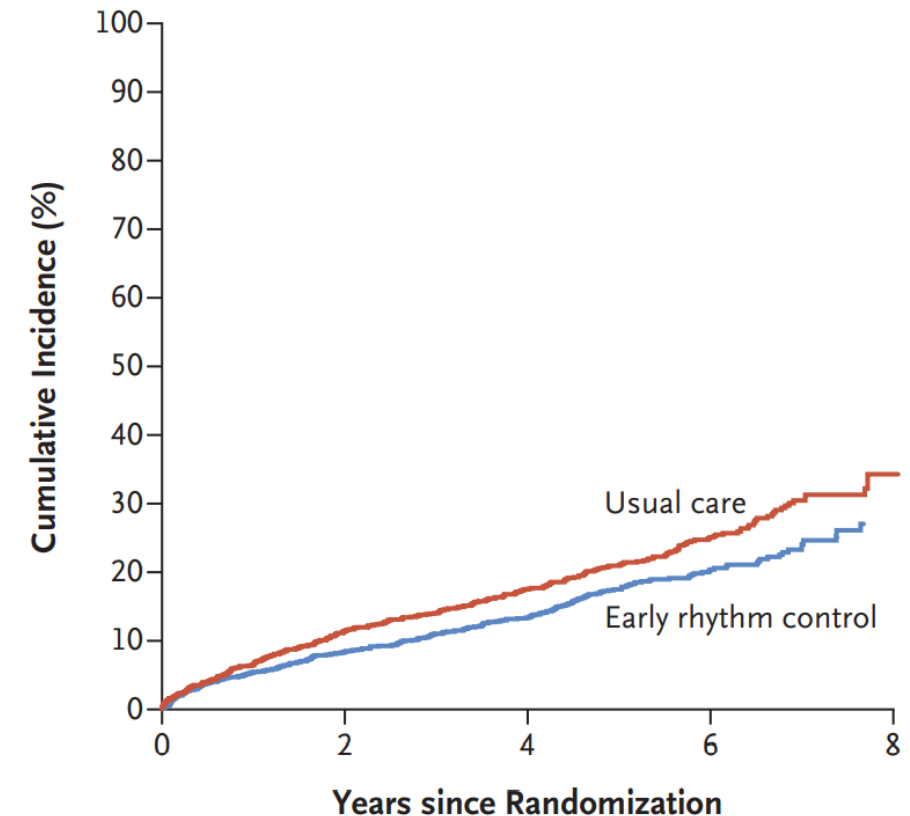
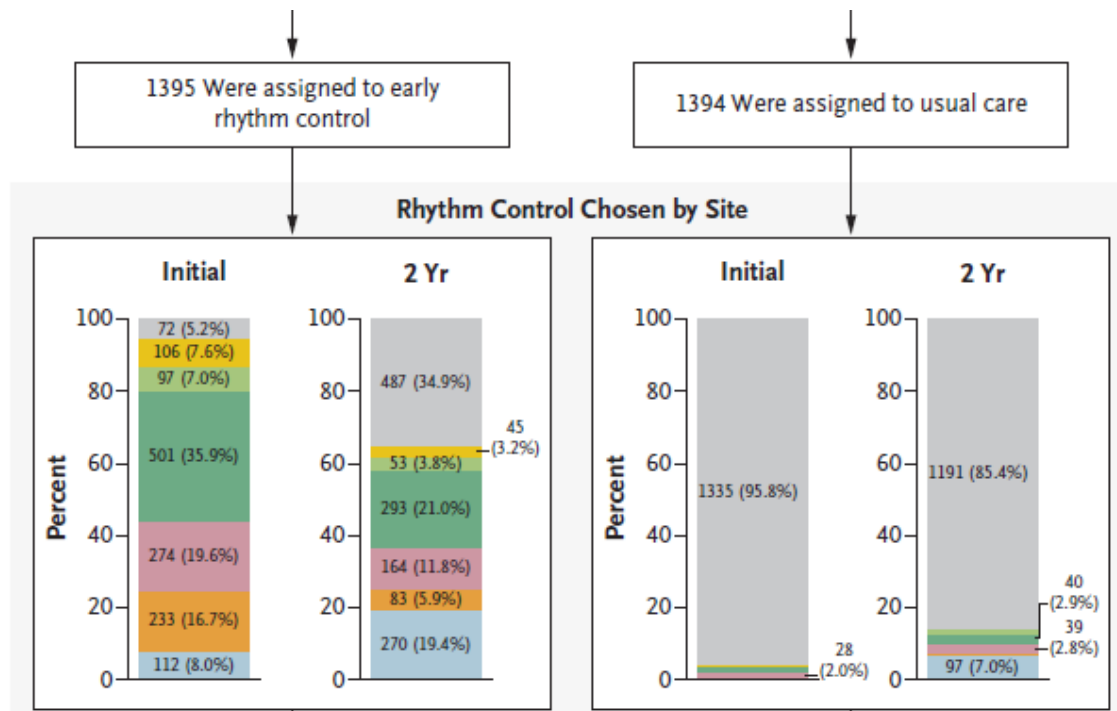
- FS < 1 rok
- Věk > 75 let
- CMP / SE
- Nebo 2 z AHY, > 65let, SS, DM, ICHS, renální insuficience

Randomizace

- Zvyklá léčba
- Časná kontrola rytmu (AA, Ablace)

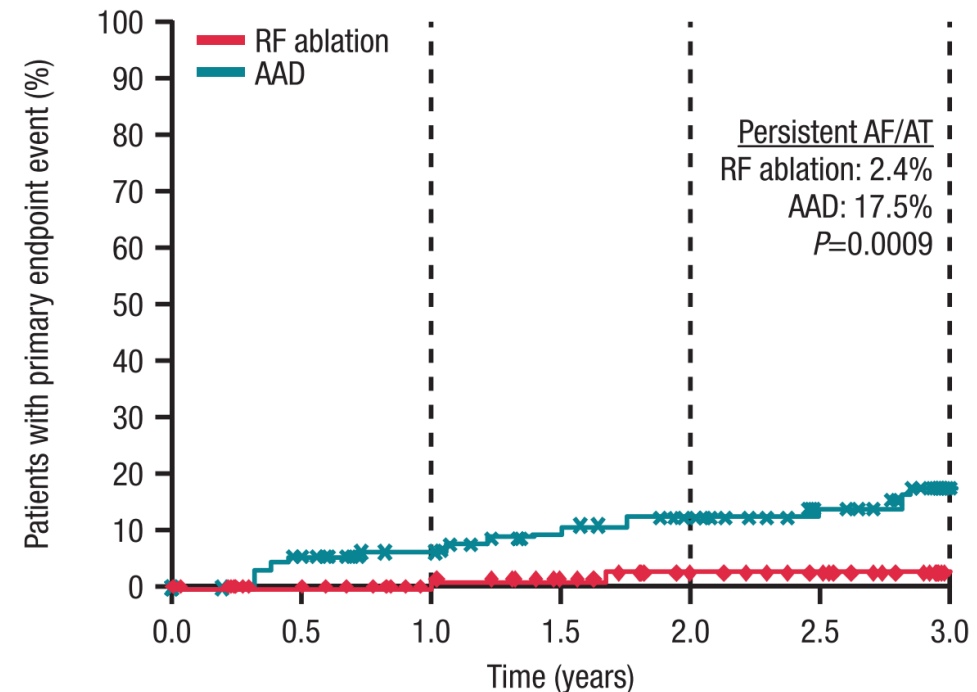
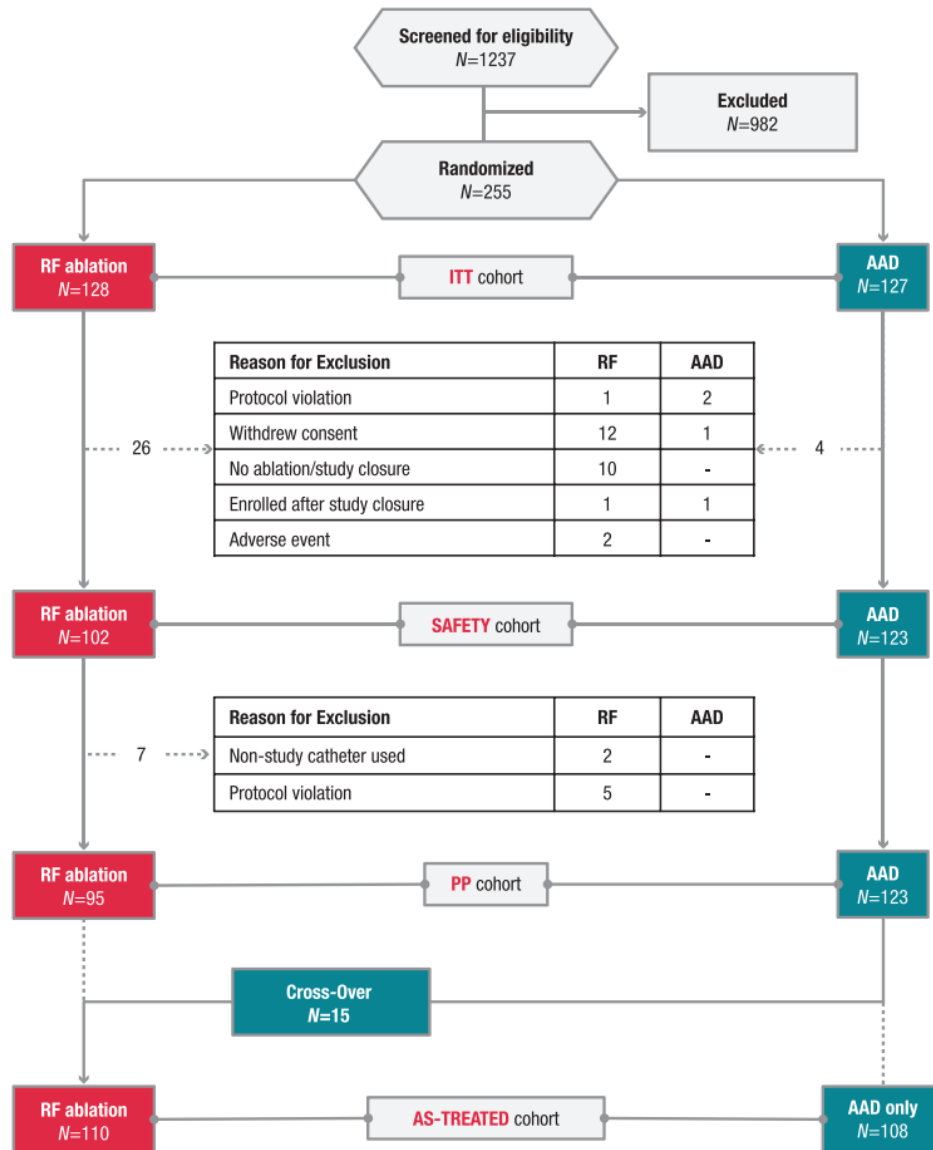
Primární endpoint

(KV mortalita, CMP, hospitalizace pro SS, AKS)



Studie ATTEST

- ≥ 60 let
- Patroxysmální AF > 2 roky, >2 paroxysmy / 6M
- Selhání 1-2 AADs
- HATCH score 1-4



RF ablaci 10x méně často progresa do perzistentní AF
Nemocní ≥ 60 let 4x častěji progredovali do perzistentní AF

**Může ablační terapie zpomalit
progresi fibrilace síní?**

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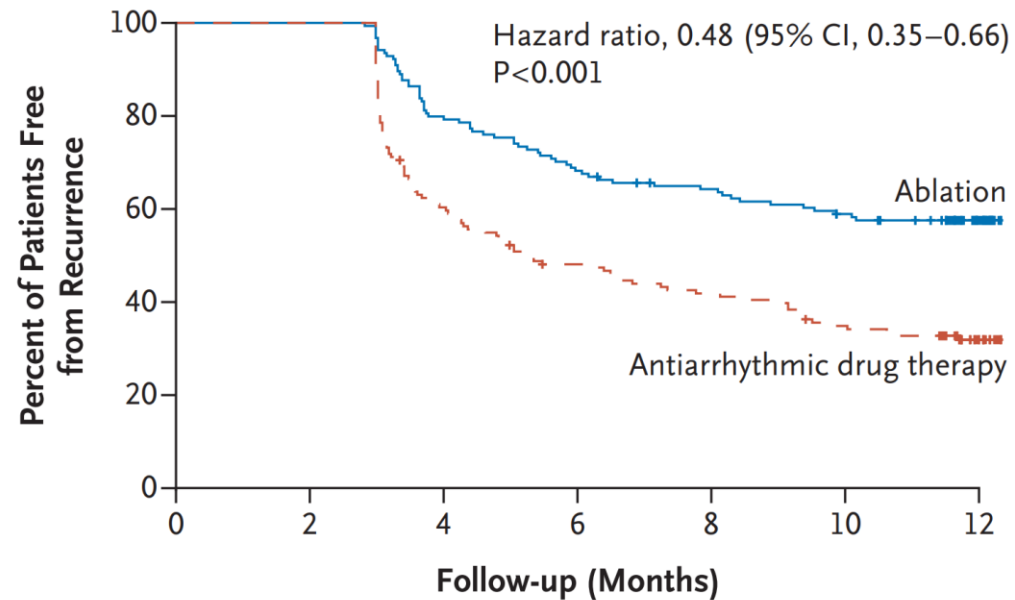
J.G. Andrade, M.W. Deyell, L. Macle, G.A. Wells, M. Bennett, V. Essebag, J. Champagne, J.-F. Roux, D. Yung, A. Skanes, Y. Khaykin, C. Morillo, U. Jolly, P. Novak, E. Lockwood, G. Amit, P. Angaran, J. Sapp, S. Wardell, S. Lauck, J. Cadrin-Tourigny, S. Kochhäuser, and A. Verma, for the EARLY-AF Investigators*

PROGRESSIVE-AF navazuje follow-up daty na EARLY-AF

Studijní populace EARLY-AF

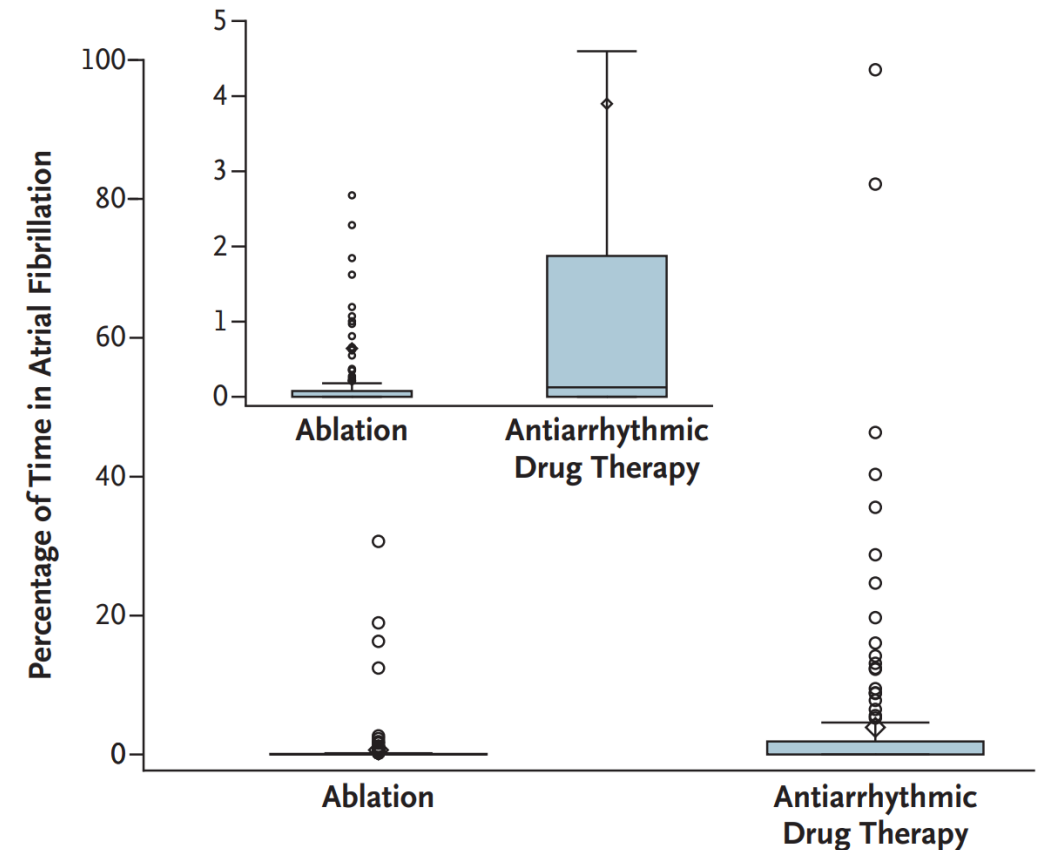
- 303 pacientů s paroxysmální FS bez předchozí intervence
 - Ablace (kryo)
 - Léková větev
- Sledování 12 měsíců

Výsledky EARLY-AF



No. at Risk

| | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|
| Ablation | 154 | 154 | 123 | 105 | 96 | 86 | 55 |
| Antiarrhythmic drug therapy | 149 | 149 | 89 | 69 | 60 | 49 | 27 |



Výsledky PROGRESSIVE-AF

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RESEARCH SUMMARY

Progression of Atrial Fibrillation after Cryoablation or Drug Therapy

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CLINICAL PROBLEM

Atrial fibrillation may progress over time from a paroxysmal to a persistent form because of electrical and structural remodeling of the heart. In the EARLY-AF trial, treatment of paroxysmal atrial fibrillation with cryoablation led to a lower incidence of recurrence of any atrial tachyarrhythmias in the first year than antiarrhythmic drug therapy, but whether cryoablation reduces the risk of progression to persistent atrial fibrillation is unknown.

CLINICAL TRIAL

Design: In a follow-up analysis of the multicenter, randomized EARLY-AF trial involving patients with paroxysmal atrial fibrillation, the proportion of patients with progression to persistent atrial fibrillation after cryoablation was compared with that after the receipt of antiarrhythmic drug therapy.

Intervention: 303 patients who had undergone ablation or received antiarrhythmic drug therapy were followed for at least 3 years; an implantable continuous cardiac rhythm monitor was used to detect atrial fibrillation events. Data regarding the first episode of persistent atrial fibrillation and recurrent atrial tachyarrhythmia were collected.

RESULTS

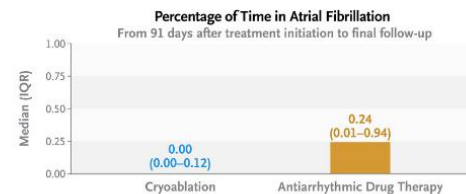
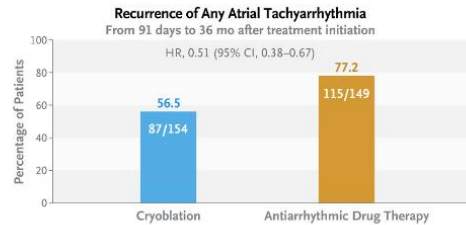
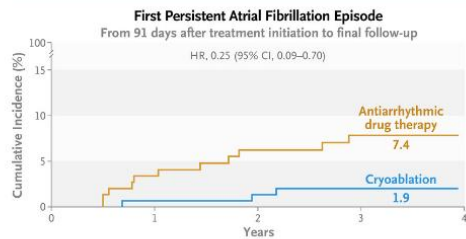
Efficacy: During 3 years of follow-up, the incidence of persistent atrial fibrillation or recurrent atrial tachyarrhythmias was lower in the ablation group than in the antiarrhythmic drug group.

Safety: During follow-up, adverse events, including cardiac events and stroke, were less common in the ablation group than in the antiarrhythmic drug group.

LIMITATIONS AND REMAINING QUESTIONS

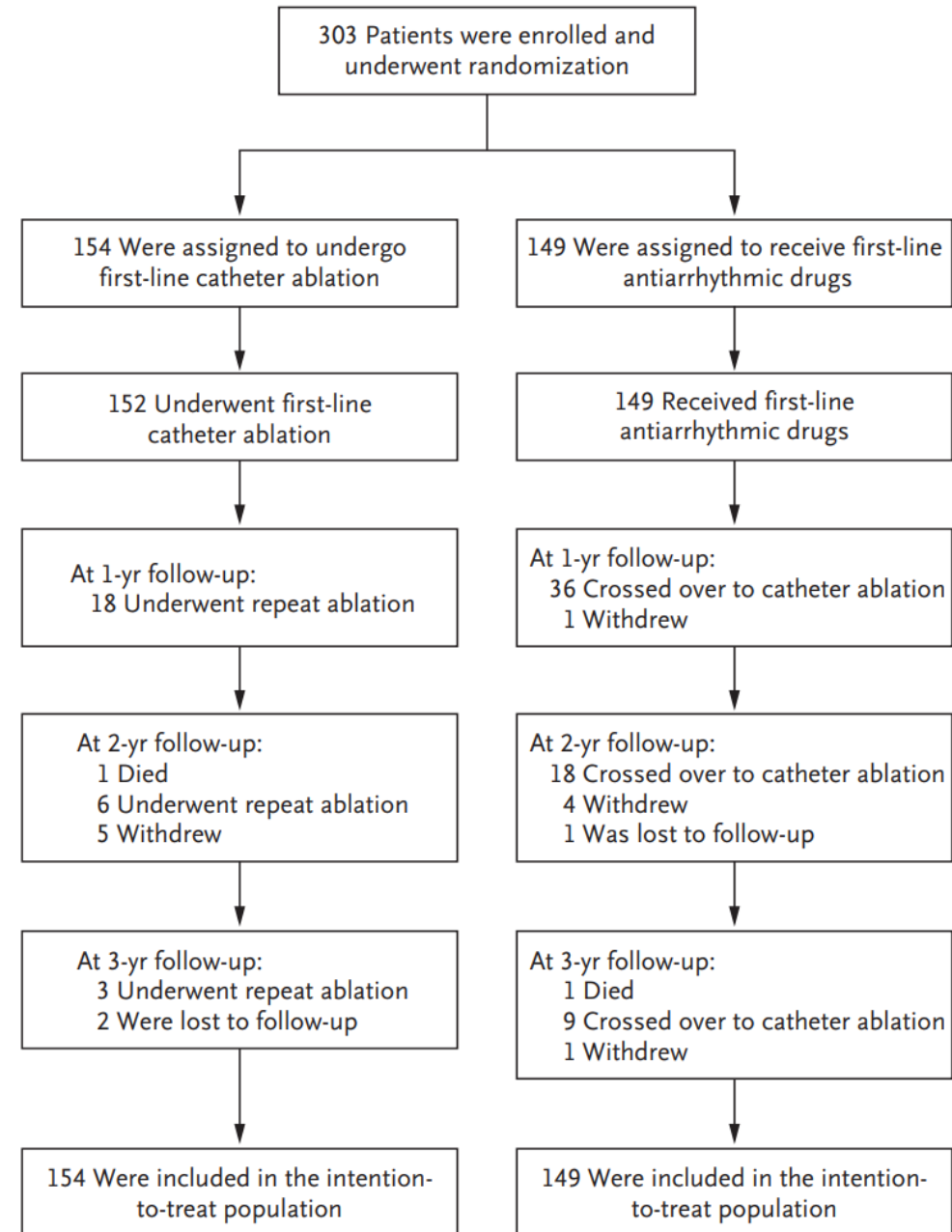
- Cardiovascular outcomes should be considered hypothesis-generating only.
- Some patients crossed over to ablation after failure of drug therapy.
- Only one ablation technology was used.

Links: Full Article | NEJM Quick Take | Editorial



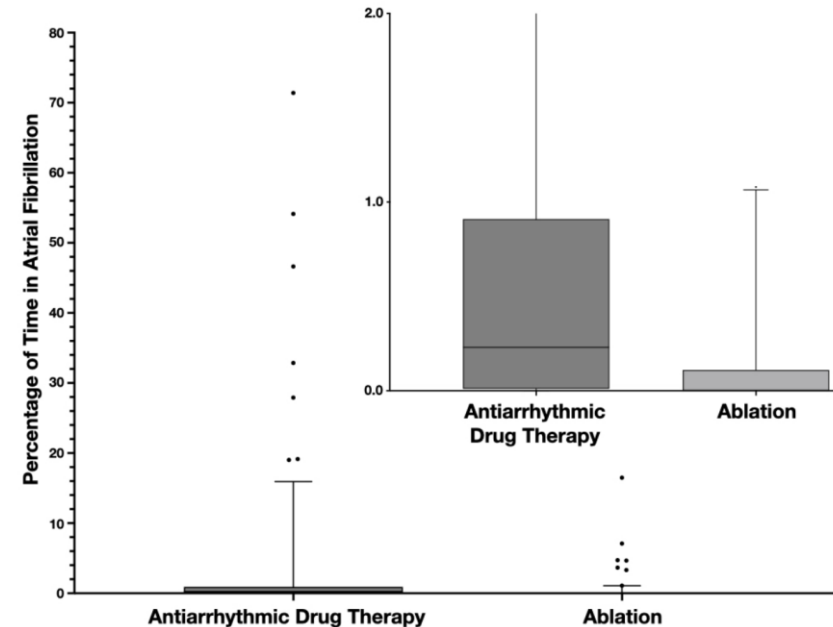
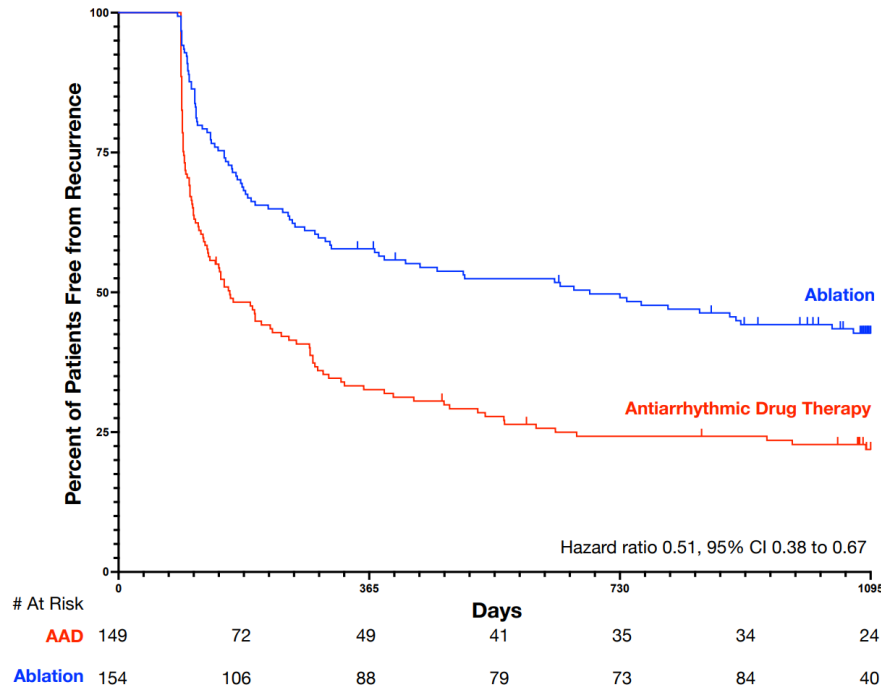
CONCLUSIONS

Patients with paroxysmal atrial fibrillation treated with cryoablation had a lower incidence of persistent atrial fibrillation or recurrent atrial tachyarrhythmias during 3 years of follow-up than those who had been treated with antiarrhythmic drugs.

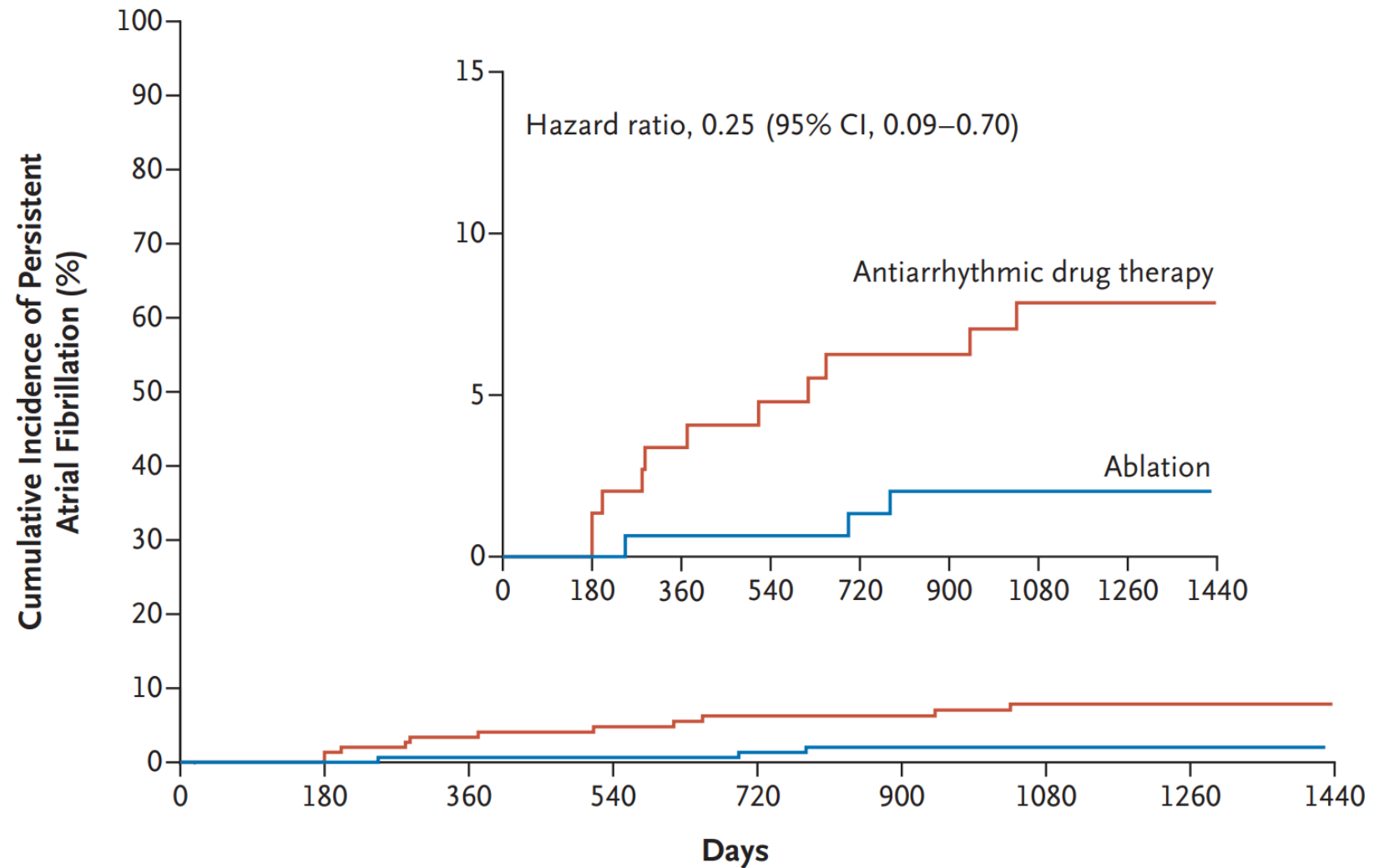


Primární endpointy studie

| End Point | Ablation Group (N = 154) | Antiarrhythmic Drug Group (N = 149) | Hazard Ratio (95% CI) |
|--|-----------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| | <i>number (percent)</i> | | |
| Progression to persistent atrial fibrillation from 91 days after treatment initiation to final follow-up | 3 (1.9) | 11 (7.4) | 0.25 (0.09–0.70) |
| Recurrence of any atrial tachyarrhythmia | | | |
| From 91 days to 12 mo after treatment initiation† | 66 (42.9) | 101 (67.8) | 0.48 (0.35–0.66) |
| From 91 days to 36 mo after treatment initiation | 87 (56.5) | 115 (77.2) | 0.51 (0.38–0.67) |



Kumulativní incidence perzistentní AF



No. at Risk

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|---|
| Antiarrhythmic drug therapy | 149 | 148 | 142 | 133 | 129 | 123 | 104 | 43 | 0 |
| Ablation | 154 | 154 | 153 | 151 | 145 | 141 | 125 | 43 | 0 |

Sekundární endpointy studie I

| End Point | Ablation Group (N = 154) | Antiarrhythmic Drug Group (N = 149) | Treatment Effect (95% CI) |
|--|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------|
| Quality-of-life end points§ | | | |
| Change from baseline in AFEQT score¶ | | | |
| At 12 mo‡ | 26.9±1.9 | 22.9±2.0 | 8.0±2.2 |
| At 24 mo | 29.7±2.0 | 24.7±2.0 | 9.0±2.3 |
| At 36 mo | 28.1±2.0 | 24.8±2.0 | 7.4±2.2 |
| Change from baseline in EQ-5D score | | | |
| At 12 mo | 0.06±0.01 | 0.01±0.01 | 0.05±0.02 |
| At 24 mo | 0.06±0.02 | 0.04±0.02 | 0.03±0.02 |
| At 36 mo | 0.06±0.02 | 0.01±0.02 | 0.05±0.02 |
| Change from baseline in EQ-VAS score** | | | |
| At 12 mo‡ | 7.73±1.44 | 5.71±1.46 | 2.94±1.69 |
| At 24 mo | 7.44±1.56 | 6.53±1.55 | 1.87±1.85 |
| At 36 mo | 7.64±1.59 | 6.15±1.63 | 2.45±1.77 |
| No symptoms — no. (%)††‡‡ | | | |
| At 12 mo‡ | 131 (85.1) | 109 (73.2) | 1.17 (1.05–1.30) |
| At 24 mo | 121/128 (94.5) | 110/131 (84.0) | 1.13 (1.04–1.24) |
| At 36 mo | 138/145 (95.2) | 116/140 (82.9) | 1.15 (1.06–1.26) |

Sekundární endpointy studie II

| End Point | Ablation Group (N = 154) | Antiarrhythmic Drug Group (N = 149) | Treatment Effect (95% CI) |
|--|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------|
| Secondary health care utilization end points‡‡ | | | |
| Emergency department visit | | | |
| No. of patients with event (%) | 40 (26.0) | 46 (30.9) | 0.84 (0.59–1.20) |
| No. of events | 67 | 83 | |
| Median no. of events per patient among those with an event (IQR) | 1 (1–2) | 1 (1–2) | |
| Hospitalization | | | |
| No. of patients with event (%) | 8 (5.2) | 25 (16.8) | 0.31 (0.14–0.66) |
| No. of events | 9 | 29 | |
| Median no. of events per patient among those with an event (IQR) | 1 (1–1) | 1 (1–1) | |
| Cardioversion | | | |
| No. of patients with event (%) | 14 (9.1) | 20 (13.4) | 0.68 (0.36–1.29) |
| No. of events | 18 | 31 | |
| Median no. of events per patient among those with an event (IQR) | 1 (1–1) | 1 (1–2) | |
| Nonprotocol ablation§§ | | | |
| No. of patients with event (%) | 27 (17.5) | 63 (42.3) | 0.41 (0.28–0.61) |
| No. of events | 31 | 69 | |
| Median no. of events per patient among those with an event (IQR) | 1 (1–1) | 1 (1–1) | |

Safety endpoints

| End Point | Ablation Group (N = 154) | Antiarrhythmic Drug Group (N = 149) | Treatment Effect (95% CI) |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------|
| Safety end points — no. (%)†‡ | | | |
| Serious adverse event | | | |
| At 12 mo† | 5 (3.2) | 6 (4.0) | 0.81 (0.25–2.59) |
| At 36 mo | 7 (4.5) | 15 (10.1) | 0.45 (0.19–1.05) |
| Any safety end-point event | | | |
| At 12 mo† | 14 (9.1) | 24 (16.1) | 0.59 (0.29–1.21) |
| At 36 mo | 17 (11.0) | 35 (23.5) | 0.47 (0.28–0.79) |

Závěrem

Progressive-AF

V průběhu tříletého sledování pacientů s paroxysmální fibrilací síní

- Ablací léčba vedla k nižší rekurenci jakékoliv arytmie
- Snížení „AF burden“
- K nižšímu výskytu perzistentních forem fibrilace síní

Katetrizační léčba je schopna zpomalit progresi fibrilace síní

Výsledky podporují časnou intervenční strategii u pacientů s paroxysmální fibrilací síní

Výsledky jsou v souladu s předchozími časně intervenčními studiemi včetně EAST, která ukazuje na prognostický benefit časně agresivní léčby fibrilace síní.

Výsledky jsou konsistentní i se studií ATTEST (Kuck KH 2021), která ukázala zpomalení progresu AF při RF energii u pacientů ≥ 65 let se selháním AADs.

Děkuji za pozornost!

