

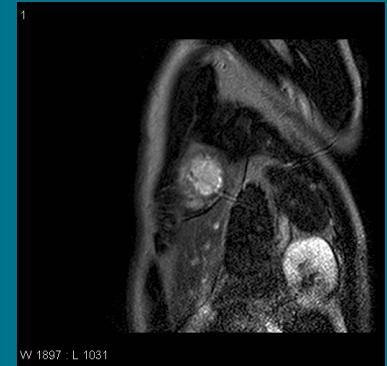
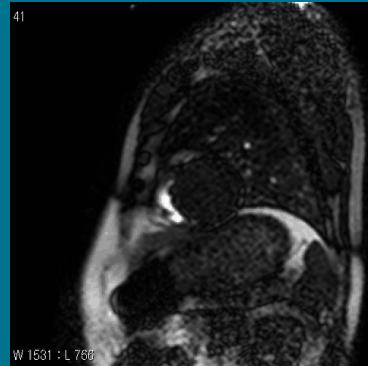
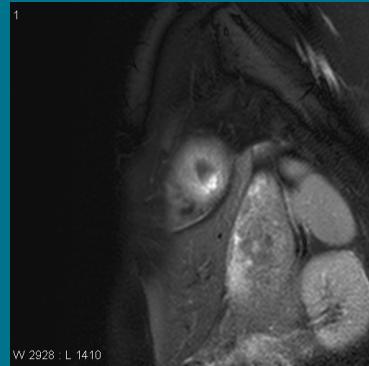


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## Cardiac MRI for evaluation of Ischemic Heart Disease



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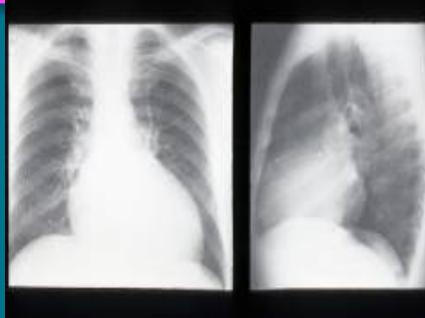
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# Imaging in Ischemic Heart Disease

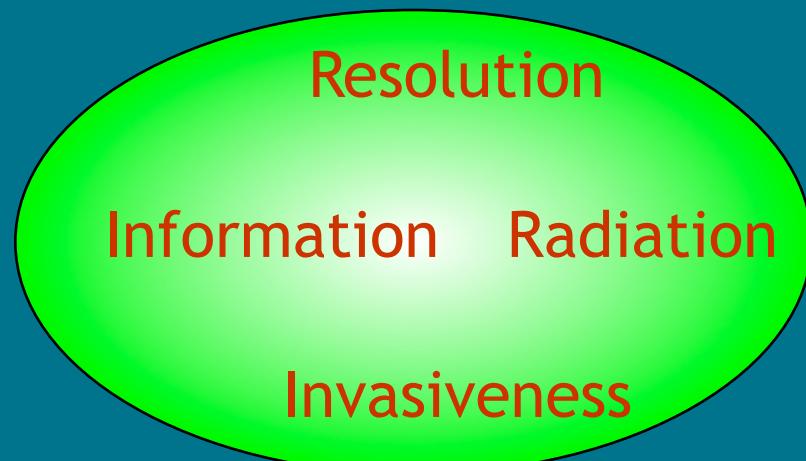
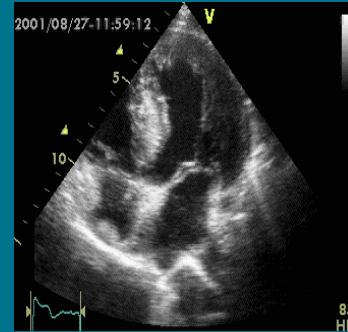
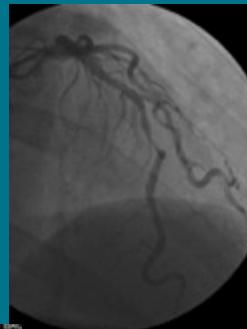
- Chest X-ray
- Echocardiography
- Nuclear scintigraphy
- Catheterisation



- MDCT

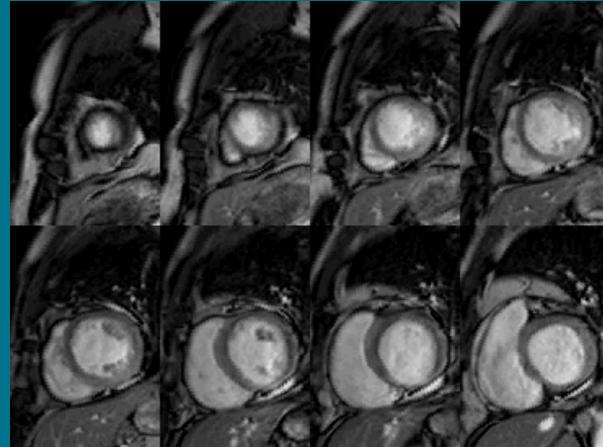
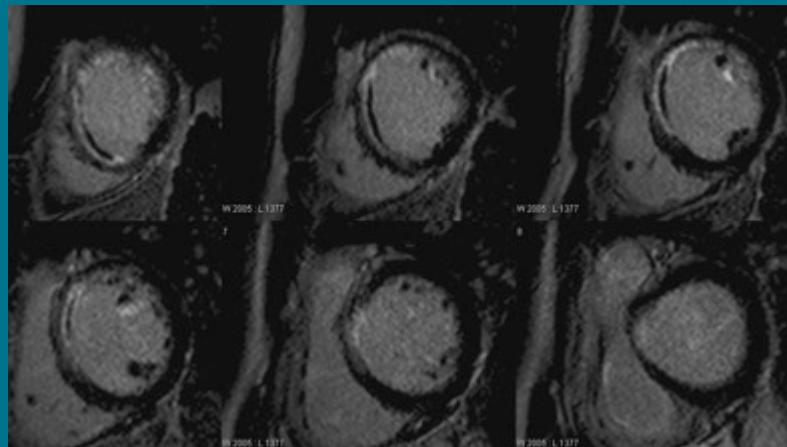


- Cardiac MRI



# Potential Merit of Cardiac MR for IHD

- “**One-stop exam**” for IHD:
  - morphology, function, perfusion, viability, coronary artery...
- Detection of myocardial infarction
  - for the evaluation of myocardial viability
- Accurate evaluation of cardiac morphology and function
  - reference of standard
- No radiation, high spatial resolution and temporal resolution, no invasive



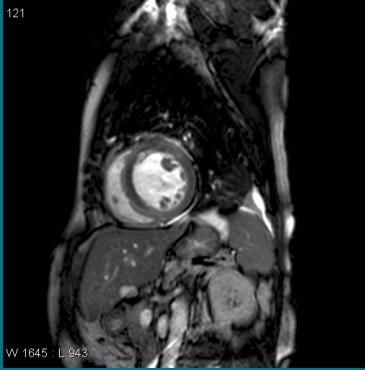
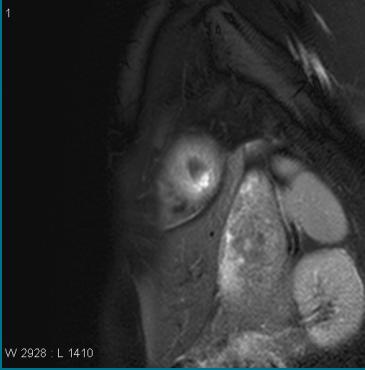
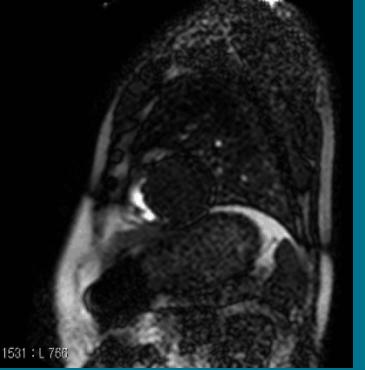
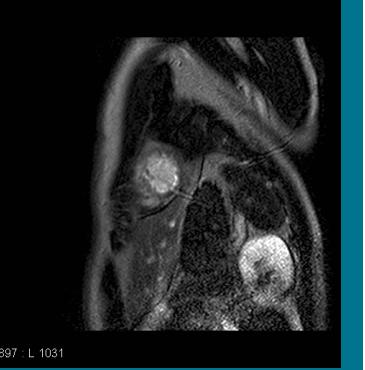


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# CMR Techniques for IHD

			
Cine MRI (Rest/Stress)	T2-MRI	Perfusion MRI (Rest/Stress)	DE-MRI
Contractile function	Myocardial edema	Myocardial blood flow	Myocardial necrosis
Systolic function/ Ischemia/Viability	Infarct age/ Area at risk	Myocardial ischemia	Infarct size/ Viability



# Stress CMR: Types of Stress

- Exercise
- Dobutamine
- Atropine
- Adenosine
- Dipyridamole



# Stress CMR: Types of Stress

## Stress test

## Protocol

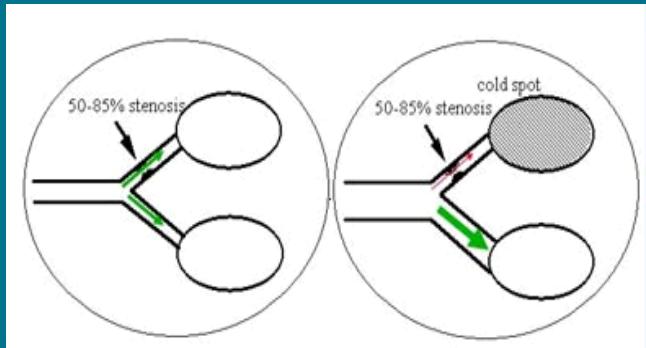
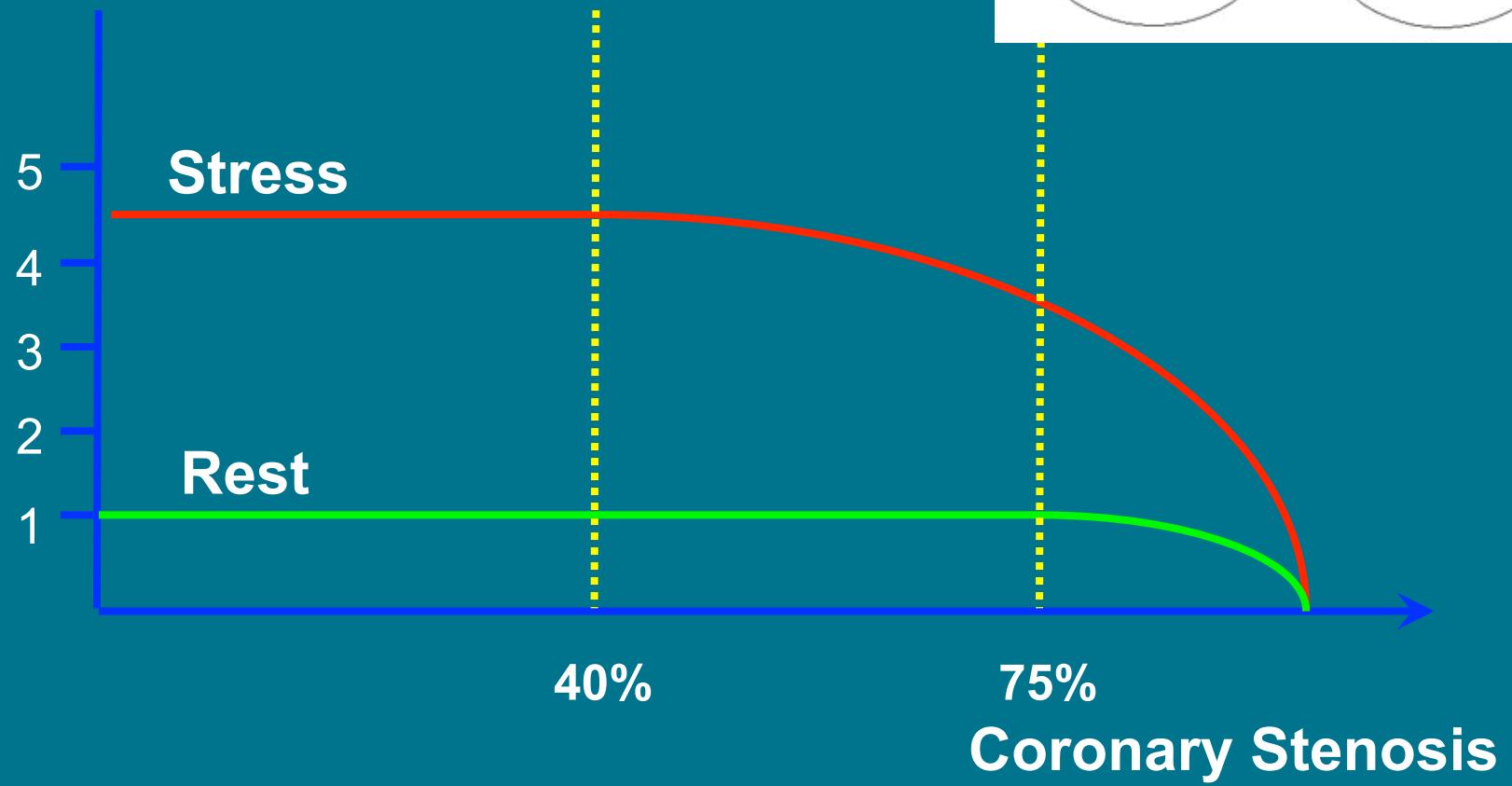
Low dose Dobutamine (for viability)	5,10,20 µg/kg/min for 3 minutes (half-life: 2 min) ♫
High dose Dobutamine (for ischemia)	30,40 µg/kg/min for 3 minutes ♫
Atropine	up to 1 mg
Adenosine	140 µg/kg/min for 3 minutes (half-life: 10 sec)
Dipyridamole	0.56 mg/kg/min for 4 minutes (half-life: 30 min)





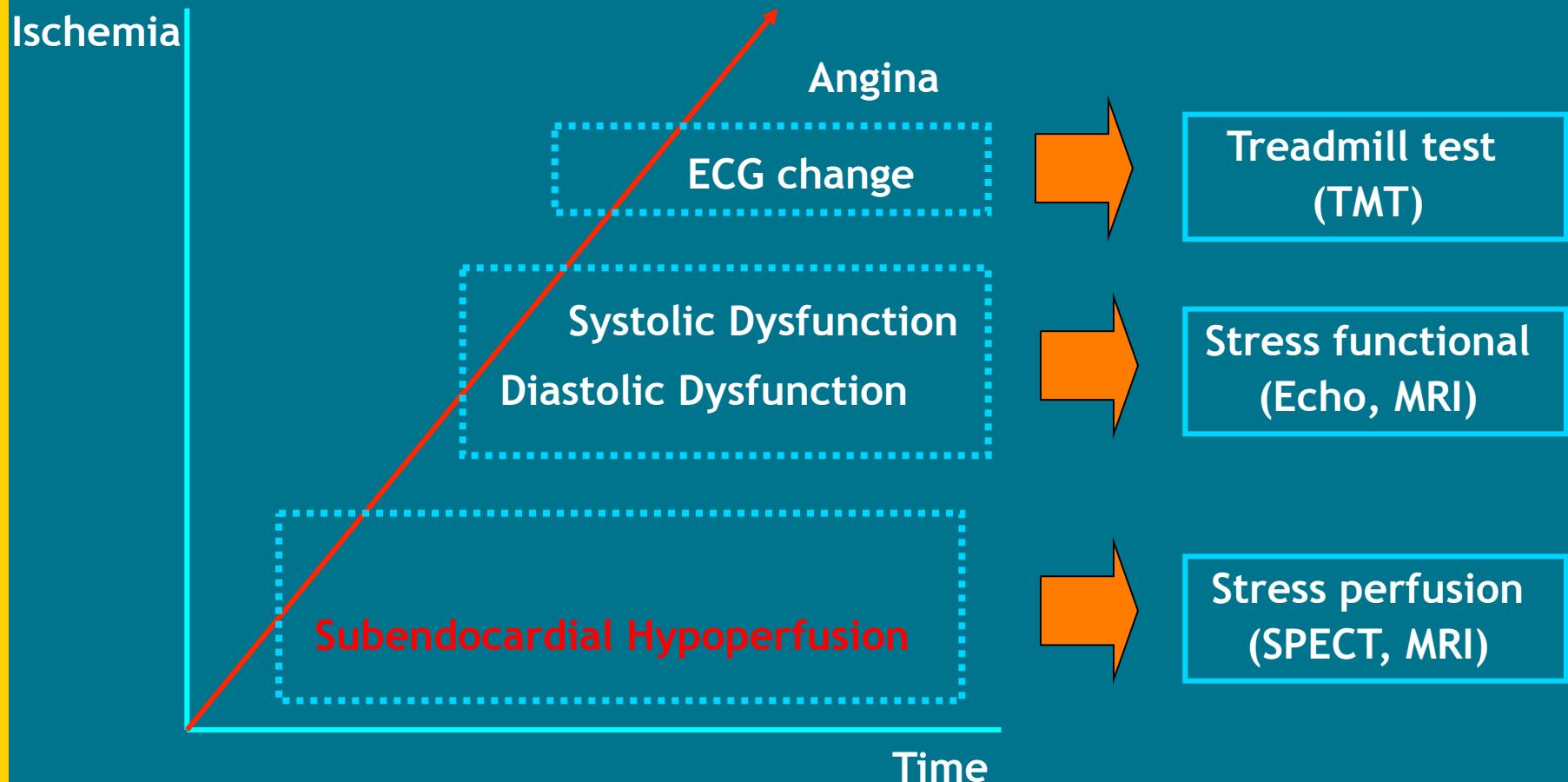
# CMR Techniques: Stress MR

## Relative Perfusion



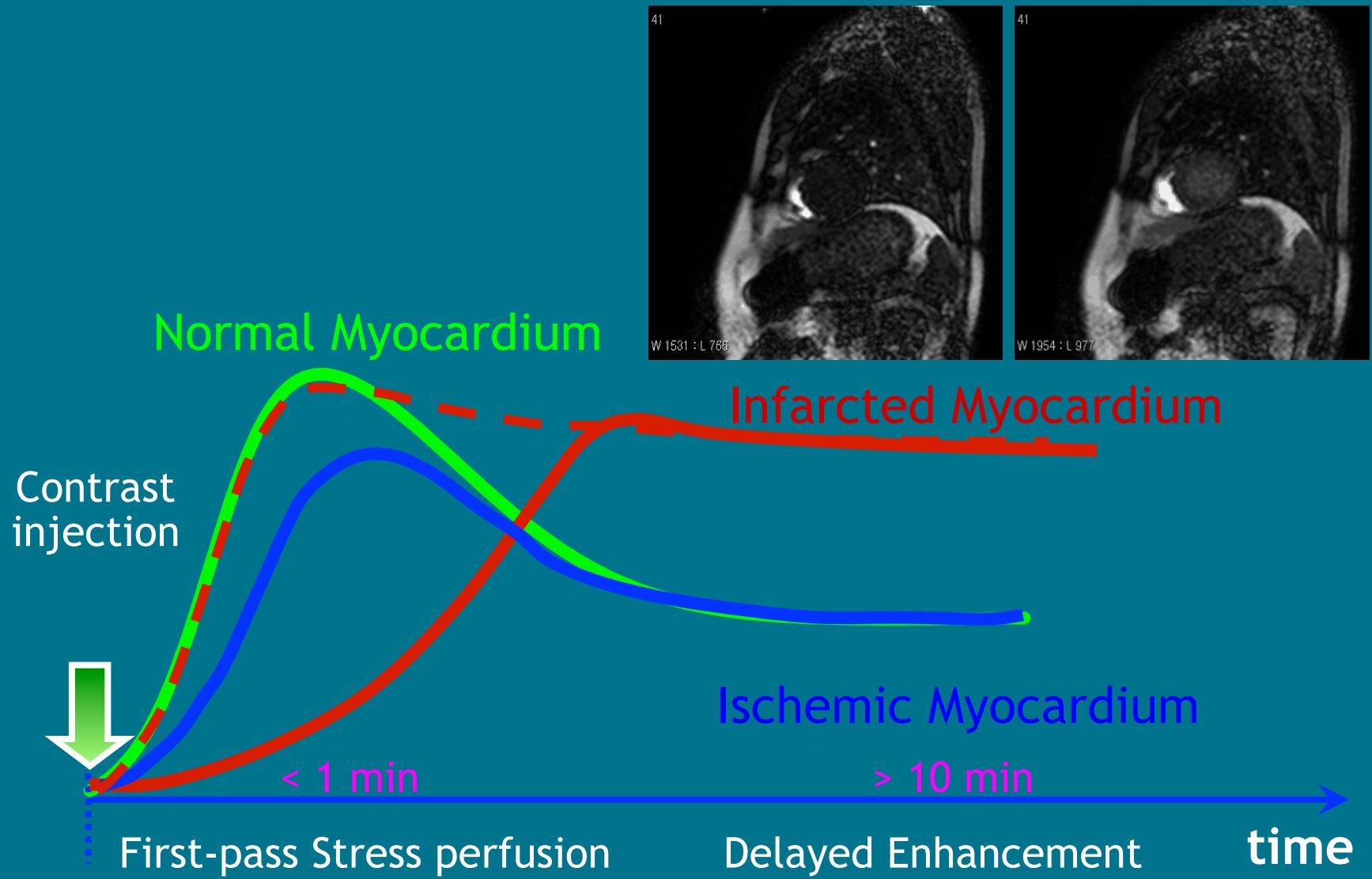


# CMR Techniques: Stress MR



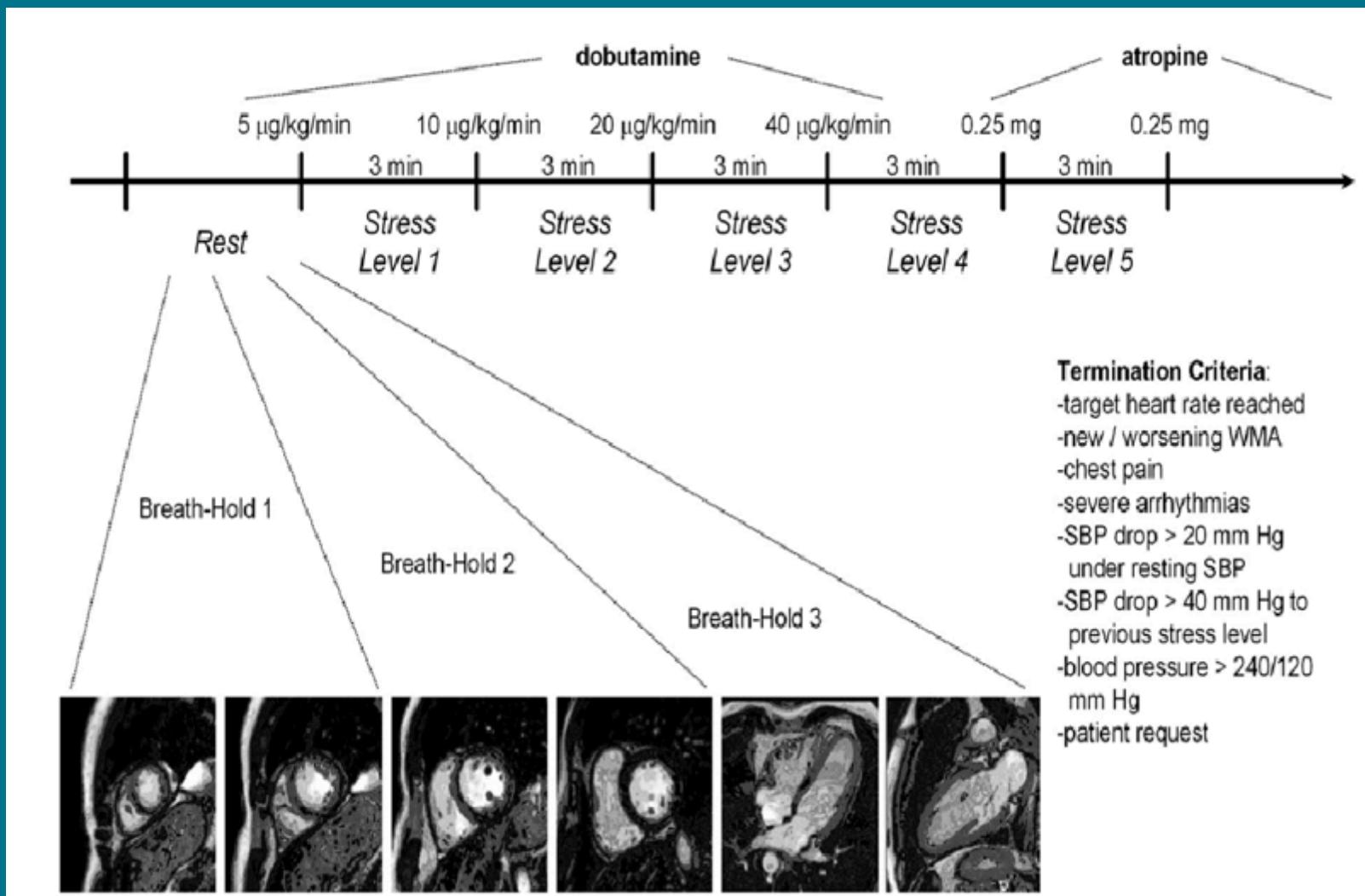


# CMR Techniques: Stress Perfusion MR



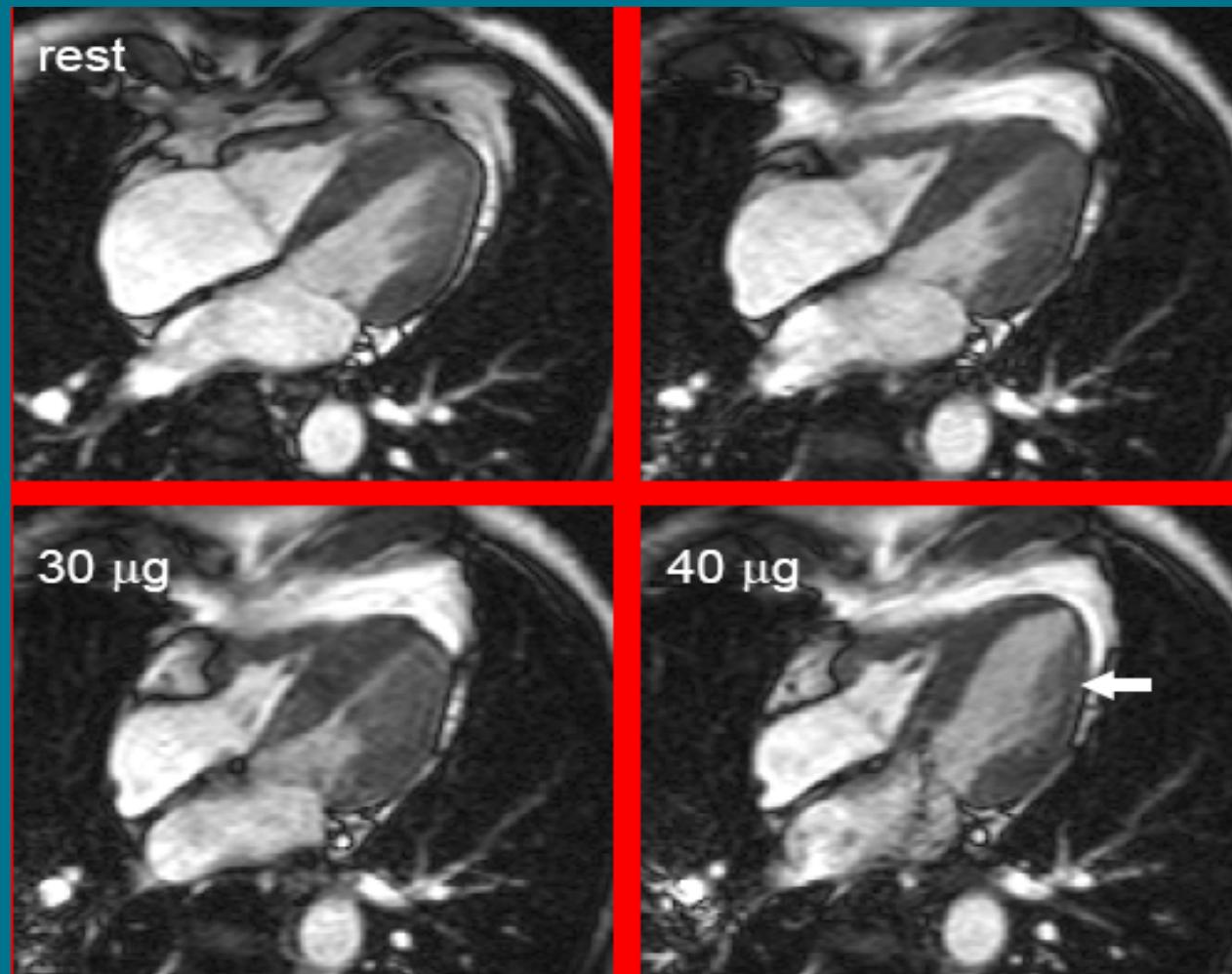


# CMR Techniques: Dobutamine MR

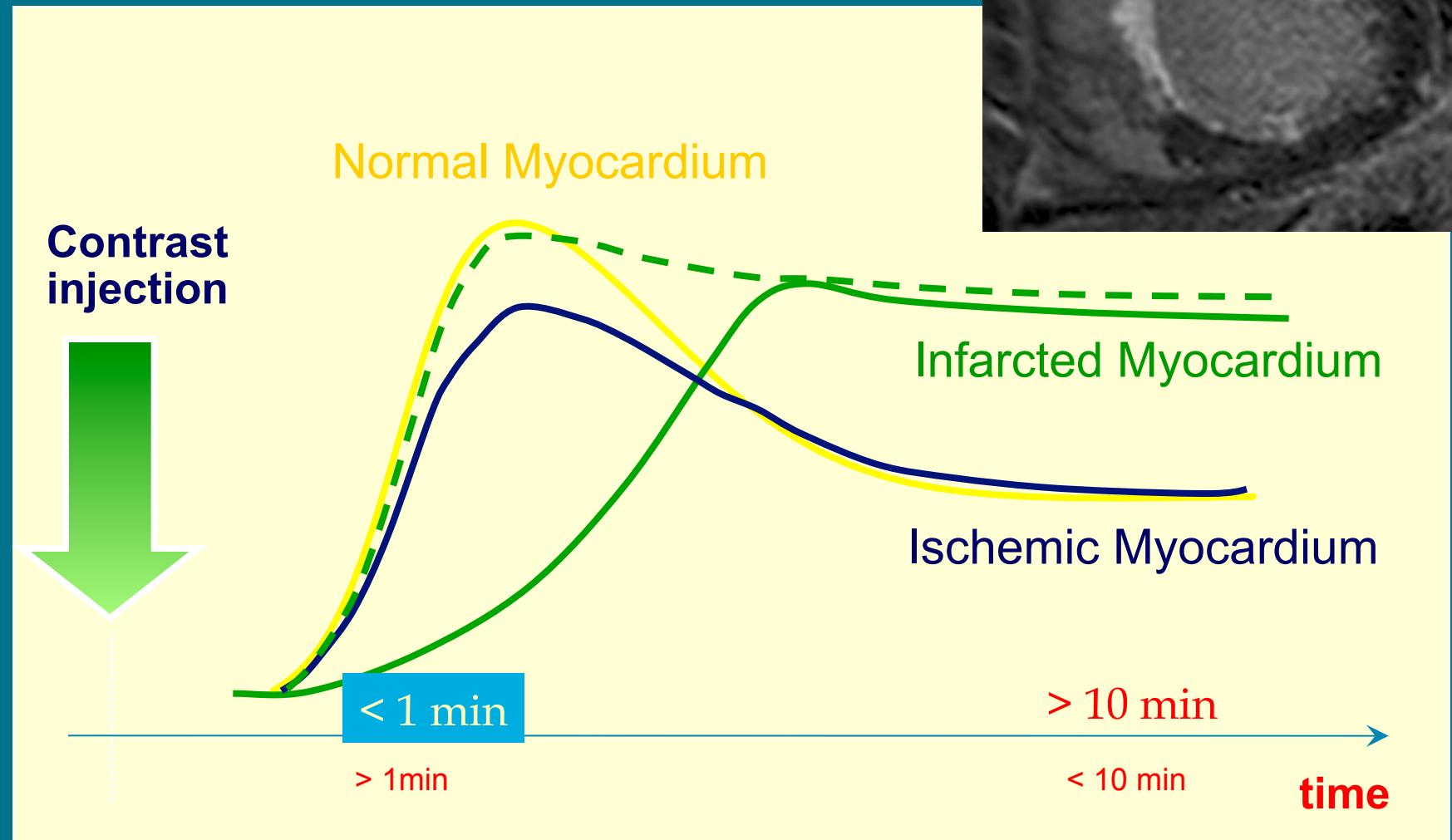
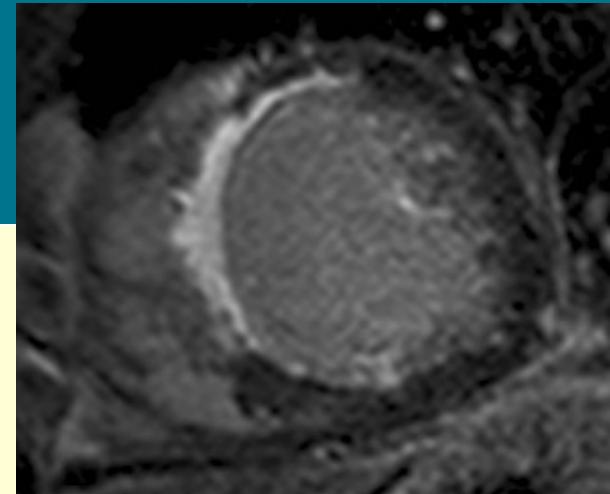




# CMR Techniques: Dobutamine MR



# Delayed Enhancement: kinetics of contrast agent

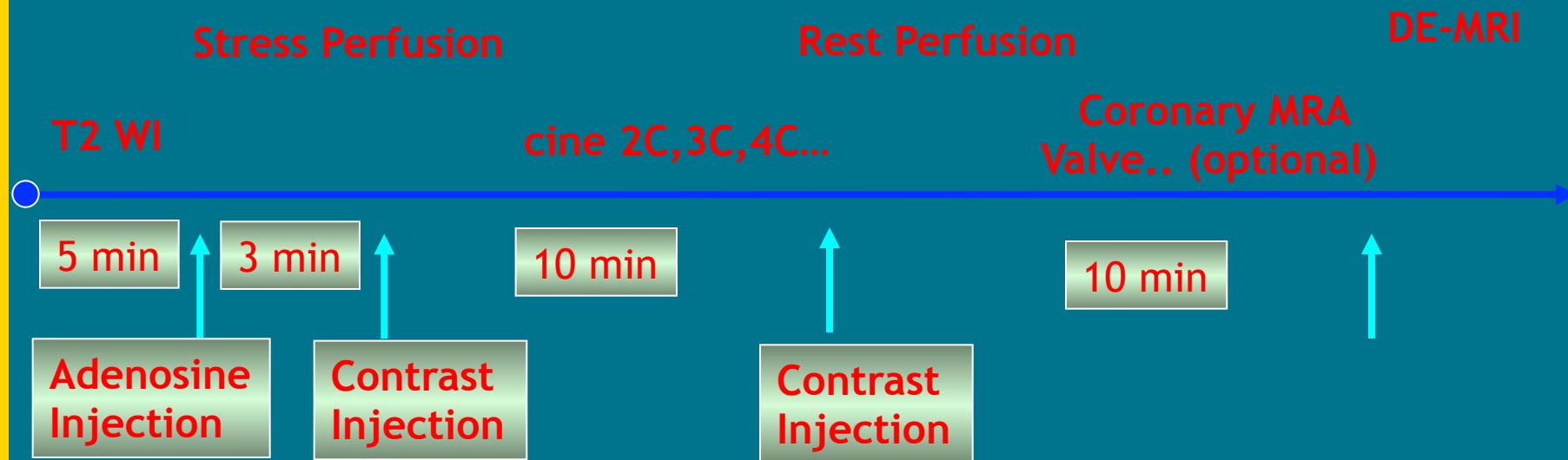


The contrast washout for damaged cells evolves much slower than the washout of the non-damaged (viable) myocardium.



# CMR Techniques for IHD

Combined MR Protocol of Bach Mai hospital  
for Ischemic Heart Disease



Adenosine: 140 µg/kg/min in 3 min

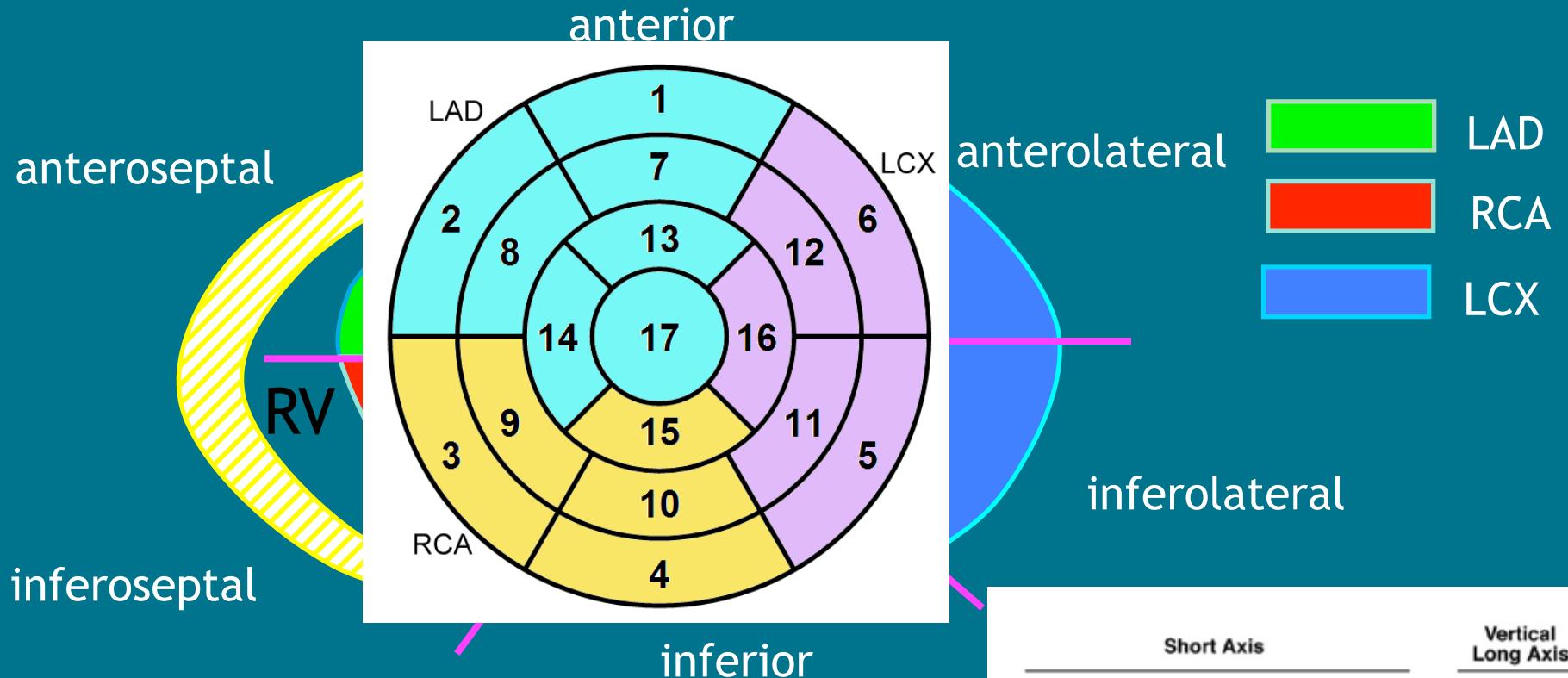
Gadolinium 0.05 mmol/kg-5ml/s



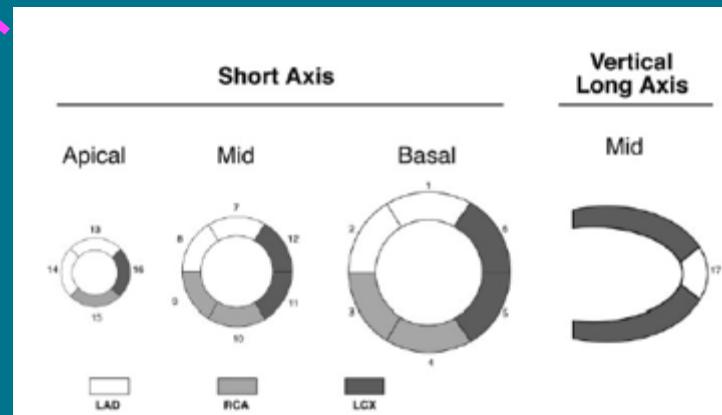
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# Vascular Territory



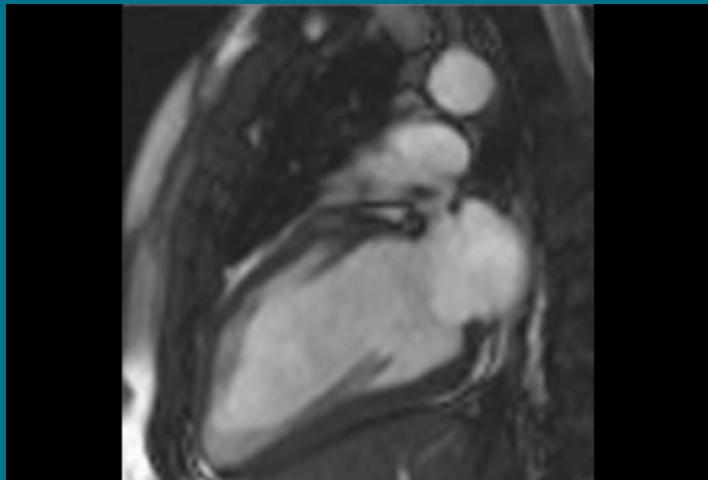
Mid and Basal section





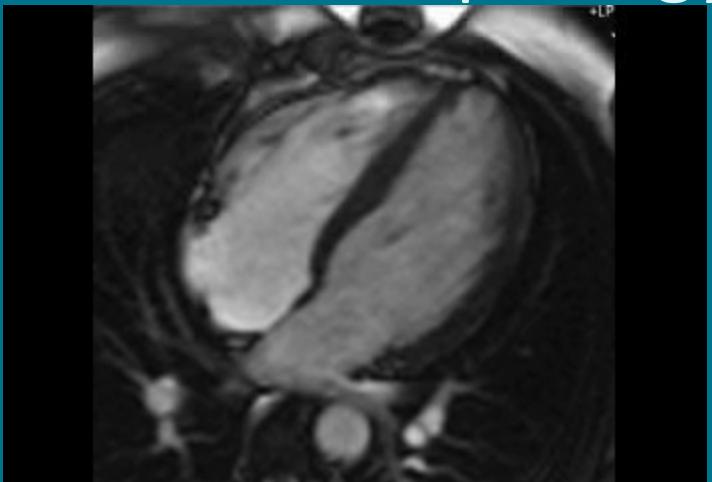
## Evaluation of cardiac function and morphology

- Reference of standard
- Global systolic function
- Regional systolic motion

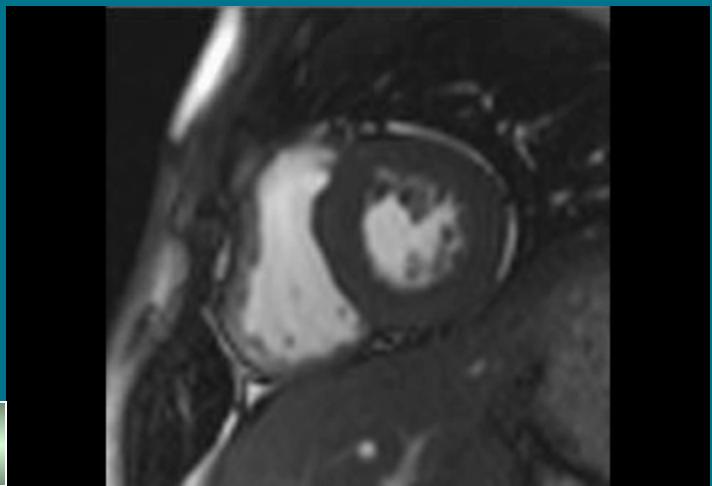


2C cine SSFP

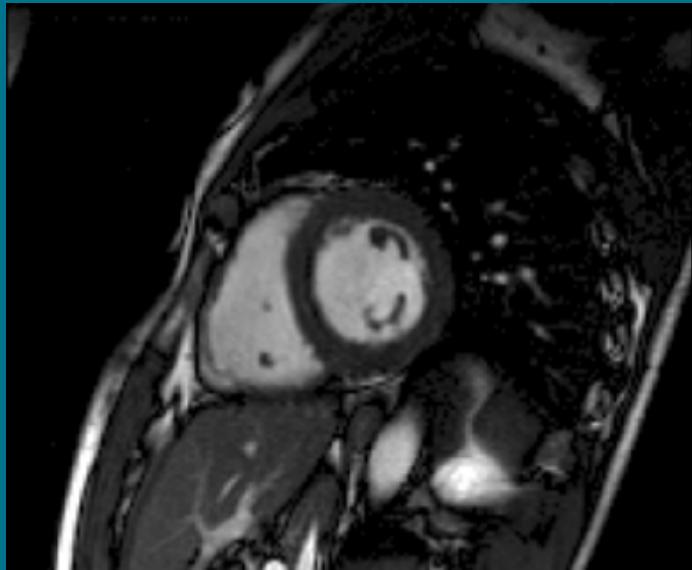
Short axis



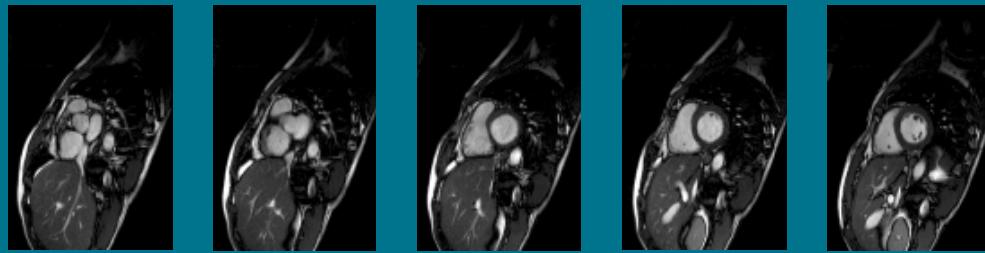
4C cine



# Short axis



# Stack of short axes



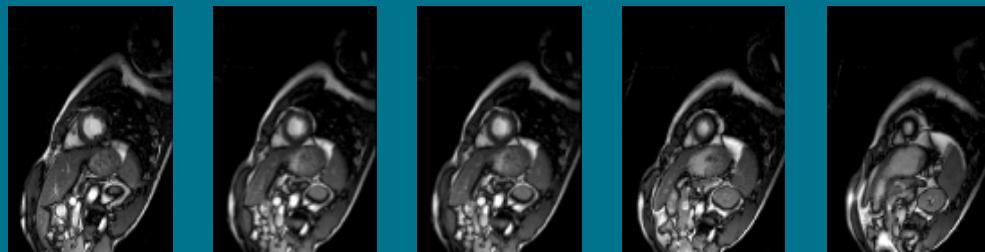
Base

+10mm

+20mm

+30mm

+40mm



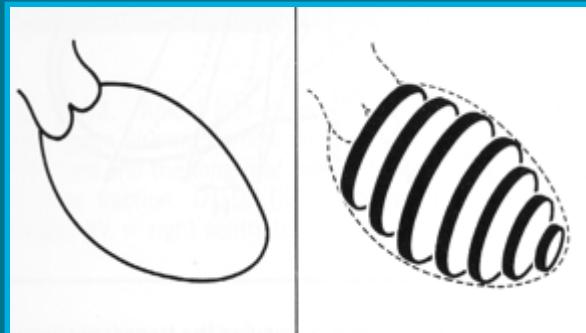
Apex

+50mm  
+90mm

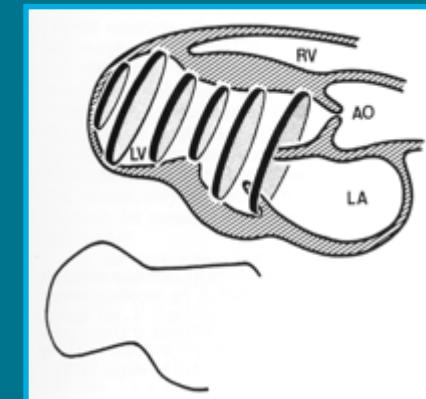
+60mm

+70mm

+80mm



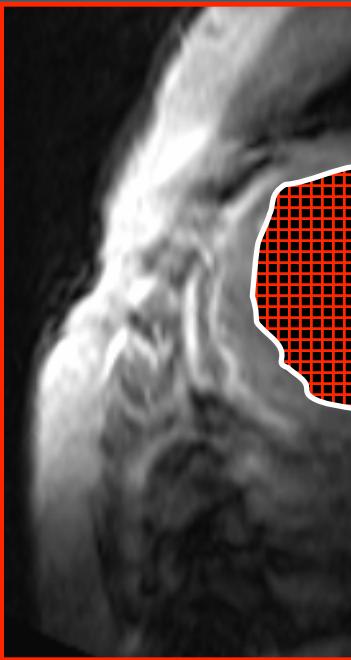
Simpson's Rule





# Global sys

end  
diastole



Patient Name:	TRAN VAN HAL			
Patient ID:	060417 15	Examination Date:	4/18/2006	
Patient Height:	---- in.	Patient Weight:	127.75 lbs.	Heart Rate: 89 Beats/min
<u><b>Left Ventricle - Absolute</b></u>				
Cardiac Function			Normal Range (M) (MRI)	Units
Ejection Fraction	EF	33.7	56.00 ... 78.00	%
End Diastolic Volume	EDV	135.1	77.00 ... 195.00	ml
End Systolic Volume	ESV	89.6	19.00 ... 72.00	ml
Stroke Volume	SV	45.5	51.00 ... 133.00	ml
Cardiac Output	CO	4.05	2.82 ... 8.82	l/min
Myocardial Mass (at ED)		78.1	118.00 ... 238.00	g
Myocardial Mass (Avg)		90.2 + 17.1	118.00 ... 238.00	g
 <u>Filling and Ejection Data</u>				
Peak Ejection Rate		----	n.a.	ml/sec
Peak Ejection Time		----	n.a.	msec
Peak Filling Rate		----	n.a.	ml/sec
Peak Filling Time from ES		----	n.a.	msec
 Check contours. Computer generated contours may not correspond to anatomy.				



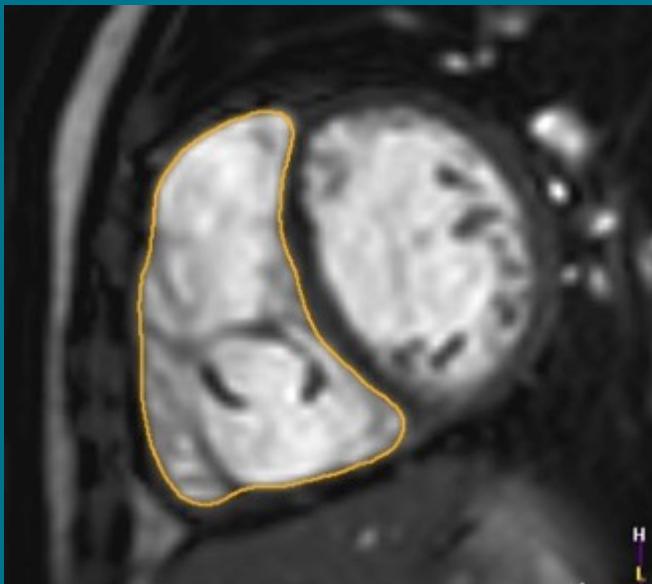
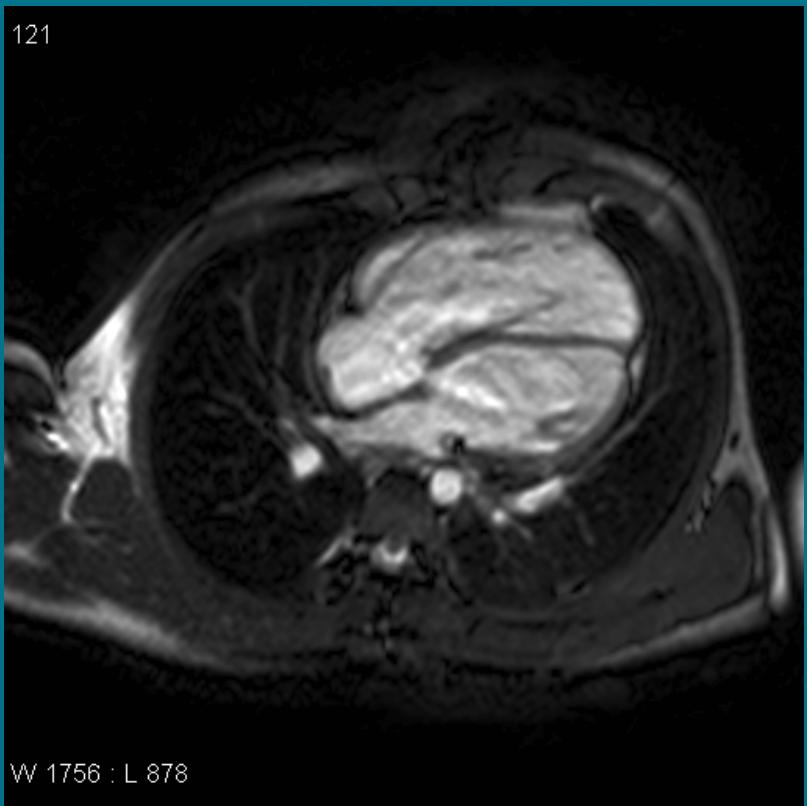
action

end  
systole

$$\text{Ejection fraction} = \frac{\text{EDV} - \text{ESV}}{\text{EDV}} = \frac{\text{SV}}{\text{EDV}} [\times 100\%]$$



# Global systolic function- RV

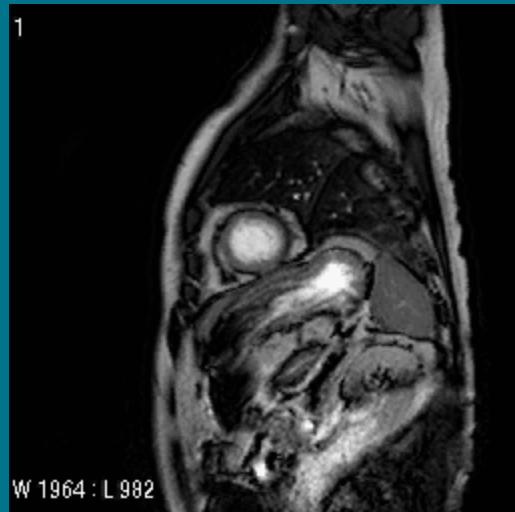


RV analysis: RV Rest analysis (not validated)

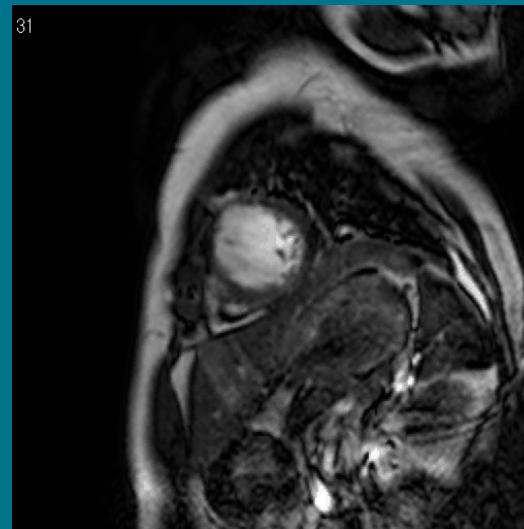
Ejection fraction : 48.6 %  
Stroke volume : 88.9 ml  
Cardiac output : 8.2 l/min

ED phase	:	0.0 ms ( phase 1 )
ED volume	:	182.9 ml
ES phase	:	284.0 ms ( phase 14 )
ES volume	:	94.0 ml
ED wall mass	:	n/a
ED wall + papillary mass	:	n/a
ED wall - correct. mass	:	n/a
ED wall + papillary - correct. mass	:	n/a
Heart rate	:	92.0 bpm

# Regional systolic function: Wall thickening



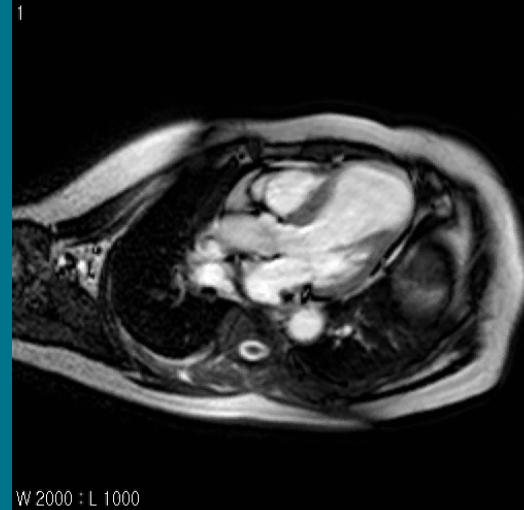
Hypokinesia at  
inferior wall



Akinesia at anter  
ior and AS



Dyskinesia



Aneurysm

Various findings of abnormal wall motion on cine MRI.



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# Accuracy of CMR for Detection of IHD

- Stress/rest Perfusion MRI
- Stress/rest Cine MRI
- Coronary MRA
- DE – MRI and viability
- Combined Method



# Accuracy of CMR for Detection of IHD

- Stress/rest Perfusion MRI for CAD

Author	Journal	Sensitivity	Specificity	n
Hartnell, G.	Am J Roent 1994	92%	100%	18
Klein, M.A.	Am J Roent 1993	81%	100%	5
Al-Saadi, N.	Circulation 2000	92%	87%	40
Nagel, E	J CVMR 2000	90%	84%	139

• Hamon, M (meta analysis) J CMR 2010 90 (88-92%) 81 (78-84%) 1658

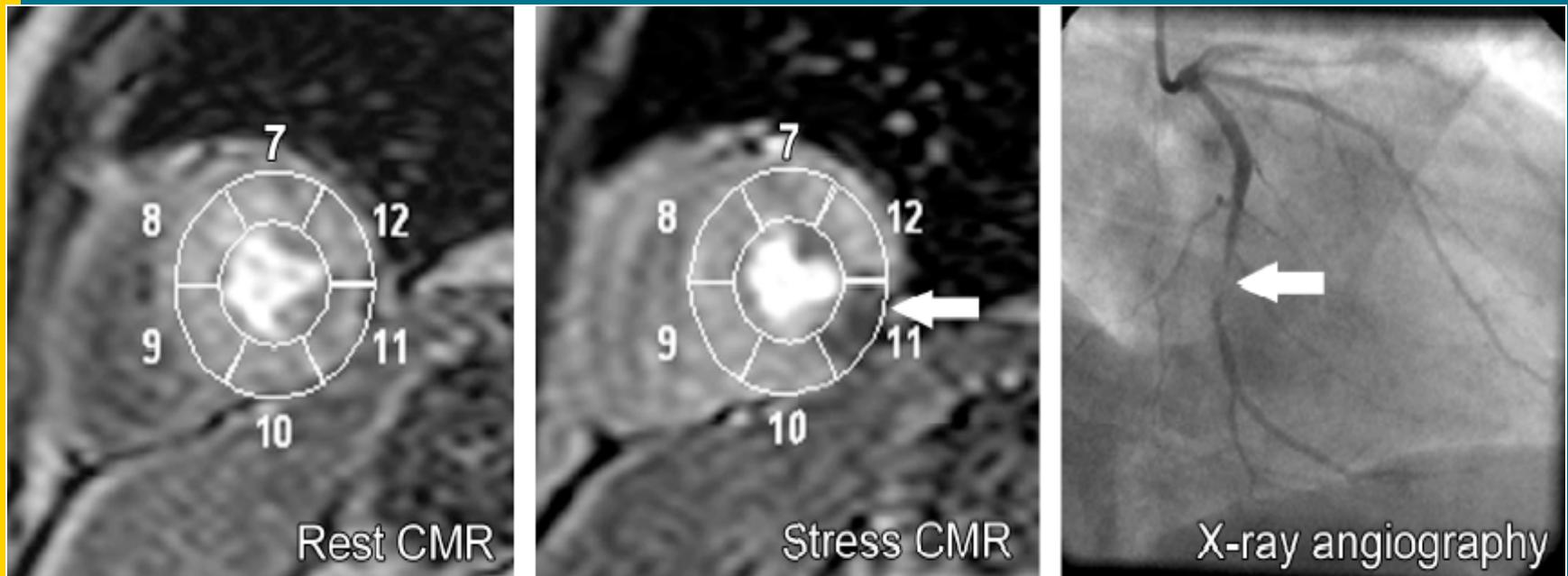
- Stress/rest Perfusion MRI for CAD
  - superior to SPECT (MR-IMPACT study)

*Schwitter J et al. Eur Heart J 2008; 29:480-489.*



# Accuracy of CMR for Detection of IHD

- Stress/rest Perfusion MRI for CAD

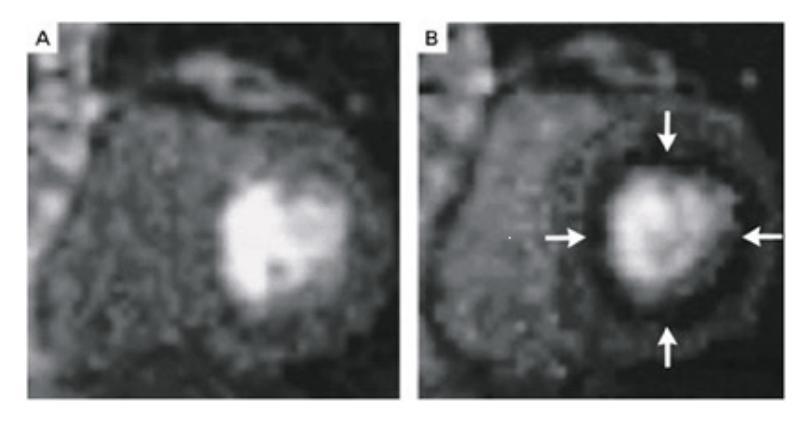




## Accuracy of CMR for Detection of IHD- Differentiation

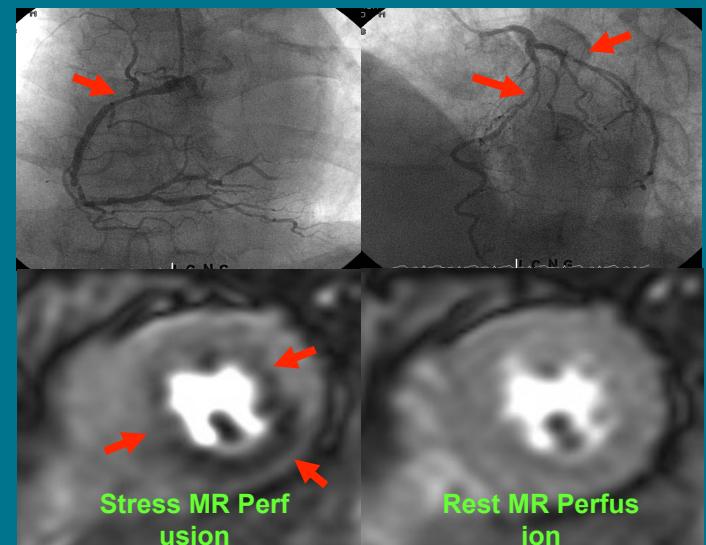
- Stress/rest Perfusion MRI for CAD
  - subendocardial perfusion defect !!

**Syndrome-X**



Panting et al. NEJM 2002

**Balanced 3VD**



Chung SY et al. Am J Roentgenol (Accepted)



# Accuracy of CMR for Detection of IHD

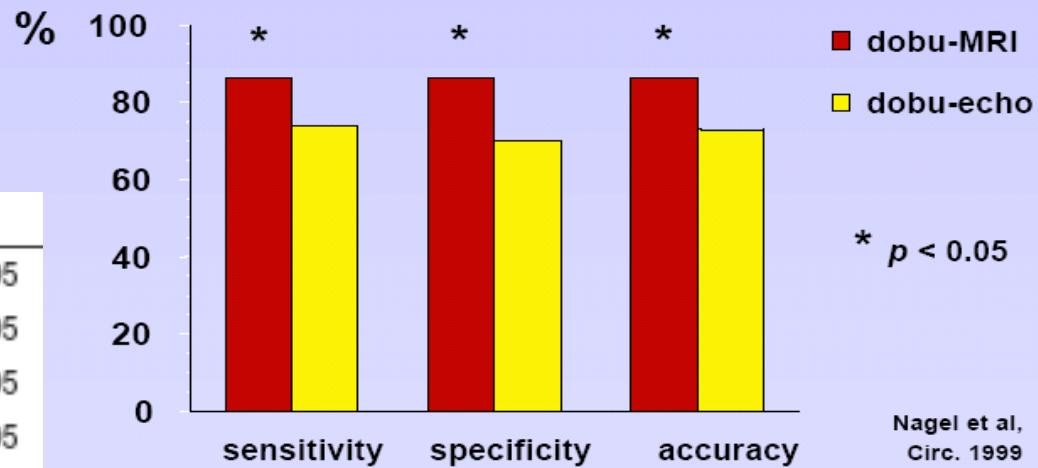
- High dose Dobutamine Cine MRI for CAD

Author	Journal	Sensitivity	Specificity	n	dose
Pennell	Am J Cardiol 1992	91%	-	25	20
Baer	Eur Heart J 1994	85%	-	26	20
van Rugge	Circulation 1994	91%	80%	39	20
Nagel	Circulation 1999	86%	86%	208	40
Hundley	Circulation 1999	83%	83%	41	40

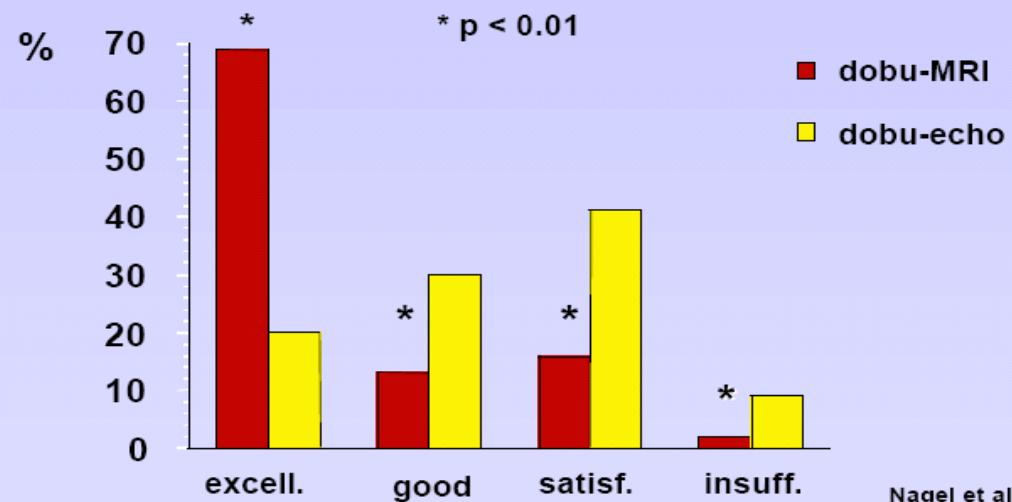
# DOBU-ECHO vs DOBU-MRI

	DSE	DSMR	P
Sensitivity	74.3%	86.2%	<0.05
Specificity	69.8%	85.7%	<0.05
Positive predicting value	81.0%	91.3%	<0.05
Negative predicting value	61.1%	78.3%	<0.05
Accuracy	72.7%	86.0%	<0.005

*Dobu-MRI versus dobu-echo*



*Dobu-MRI versus dobu-echo*





# Dobutamine Stress MR

Rest



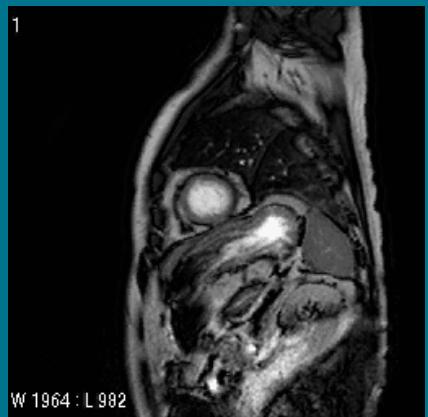
Low dose (10-20)  
Contractile reserve



High dose (30-40 micro)  
Inducible wall motion abnormality



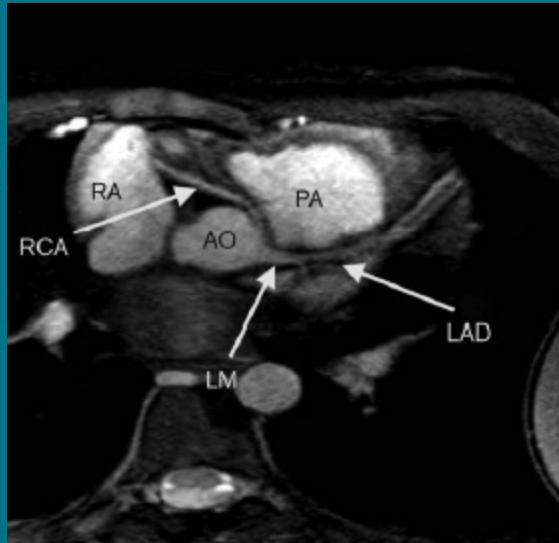
Stress-induced Hypokinesia



# Accuracy of CMR for Detection of IHD

- Coronary MRA:
  - still developing technique, technical challenges
  - Evaluating congenital CA anomalies, aneurysm
  - for identification of native vessel coronary stenosis:  
currently not sufficient to support coronary stenosis for routine screening except LM or multivessel disease

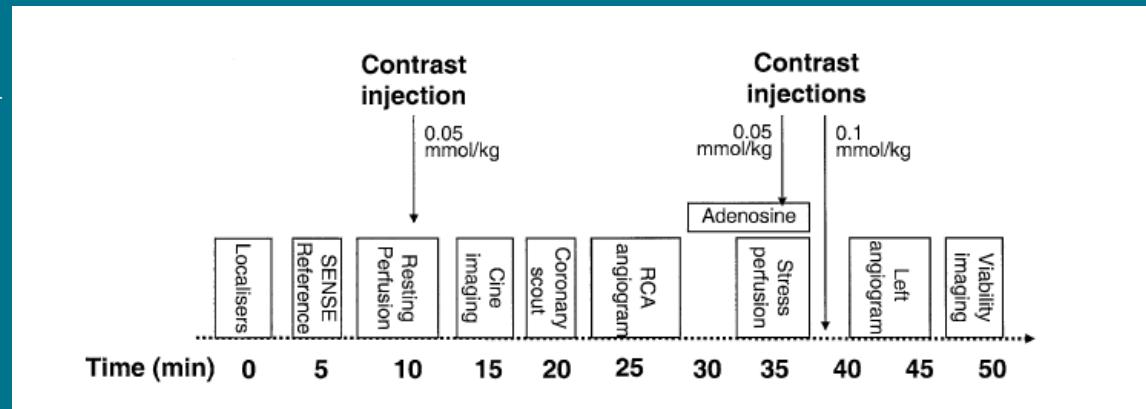
*Evan Appelbaum et al, Lippincott Willam and Wilkins, 16:345-353*





# Accuracy of CMR for Detection of IHD

- Stress/rest perfusion
- Cine MRI
- Coronary MRA
- DE-MRI



Plein S et al. JACC 2004;44:2173-2181

**Table 2.** Comprehensive CMR Analysis and Analysis of Individual CMR Components for the Detection of the Presence of Significant CAD\*

	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	PPV (%)	NPV (%)	Overall Accuracy (%)
Comprehensive analysis	96 (92–100)	83 (62–100)	96 (91–100)	83 (62–100)	94 (88–100)
Individual component analysis					
Perfusion	88 (79–96)	83 (62–100)	96 (91–100)	59 (35–82)	87 (79–95)
Coronaries	84 (74–94)	75 (51–100)	94 (87–100)	50 (27–73)	82 (73–92)
Wall motion	68 (56–80)	75 (51–100)	93 (85–100)	50 (27–73)	69 (58–80)
Late contrast enhancement	57 (44–70)	83 (62–100)	94 (86–100)	42 (25–58)	62 (50–73)

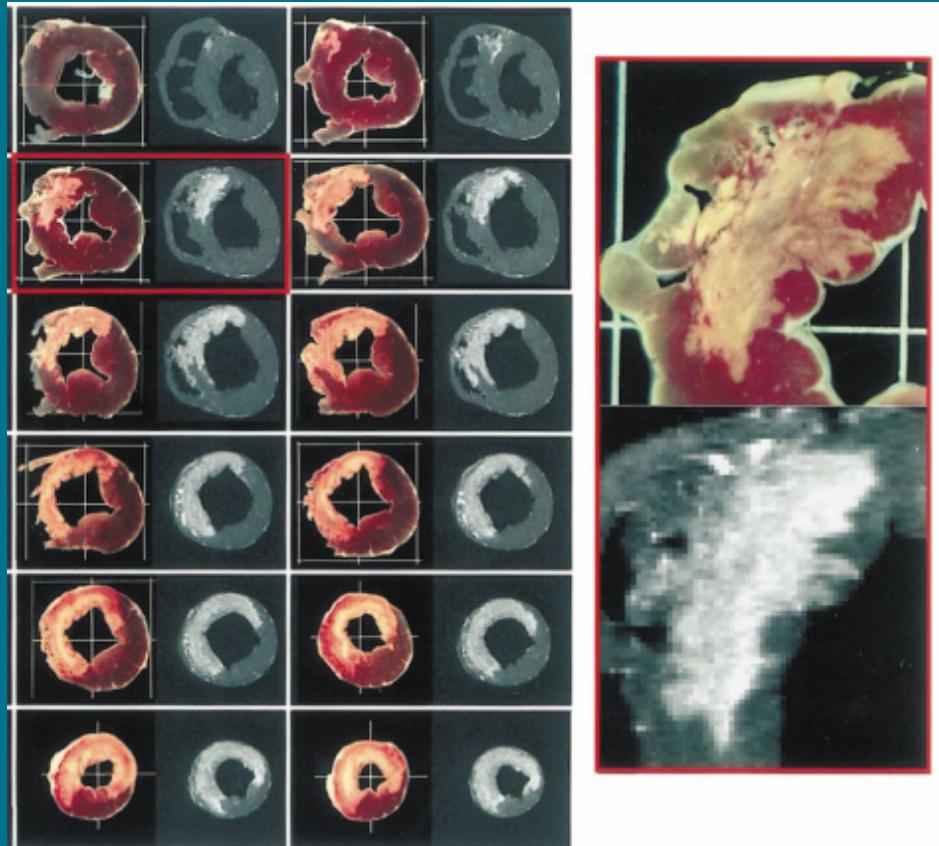
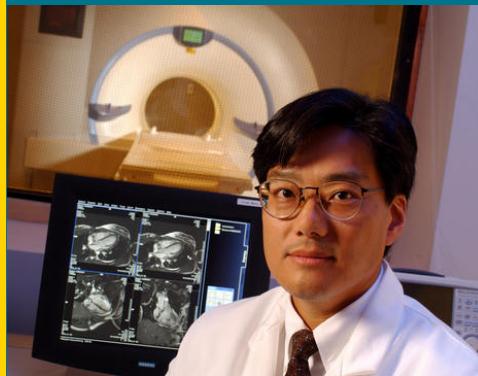


# Delayed Enhancement MRI

10-15 min after Gd

**Area of delayed enhancement**  
= nonviable myocardium

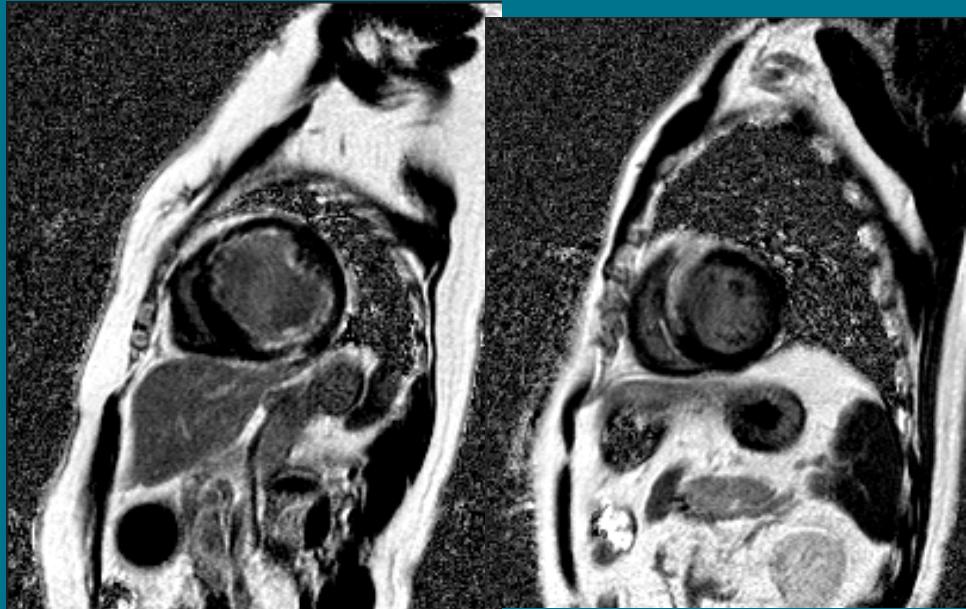
**“Bright is dead”**



*Kim R et al, Circulation 1999*

# Clinical Impact: Myocardial Infarction

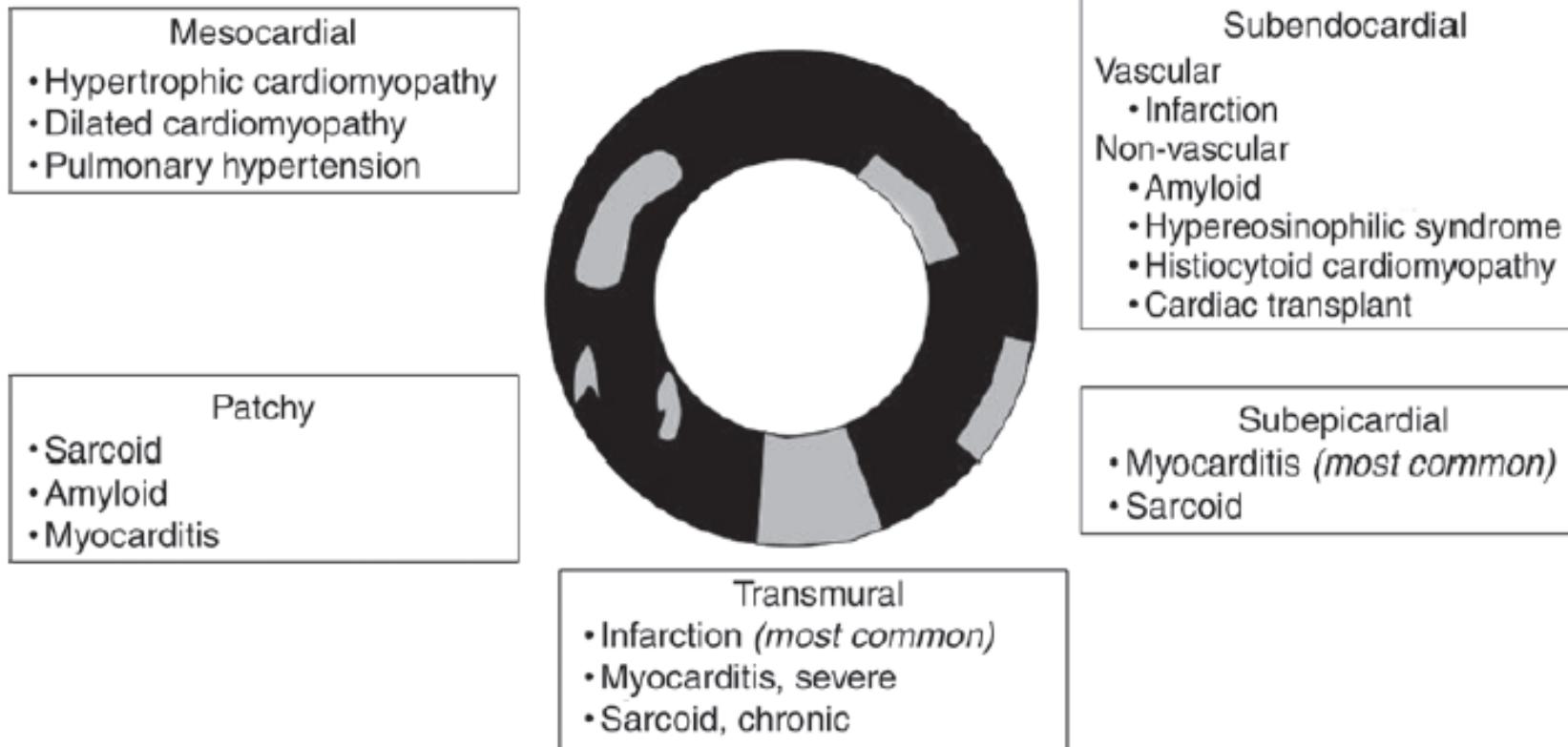
- Subendocardial and transmural enhancement
- Limited to a vascular territory



# Patterns of Delayed enhancement

January-February 2009

[radiographics.rsnajnl.org](http://radiographics.rsnajnl.org)

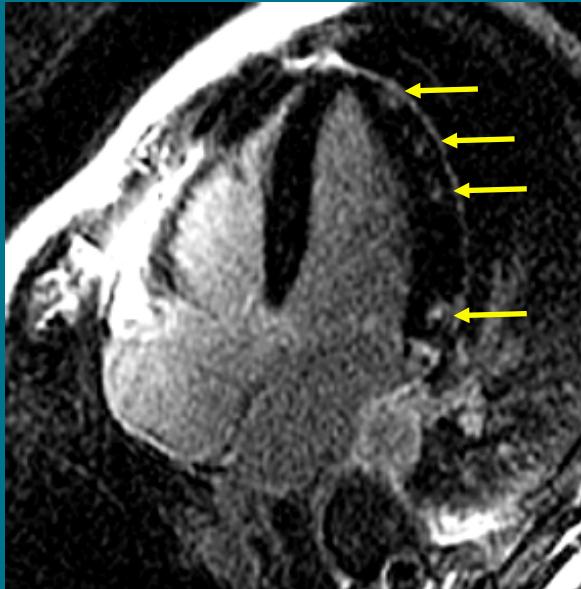


**Figure 17.** Chart illustrates the differential diagnosis of delayed contrast enhancement at cardiac MR imaging by location.

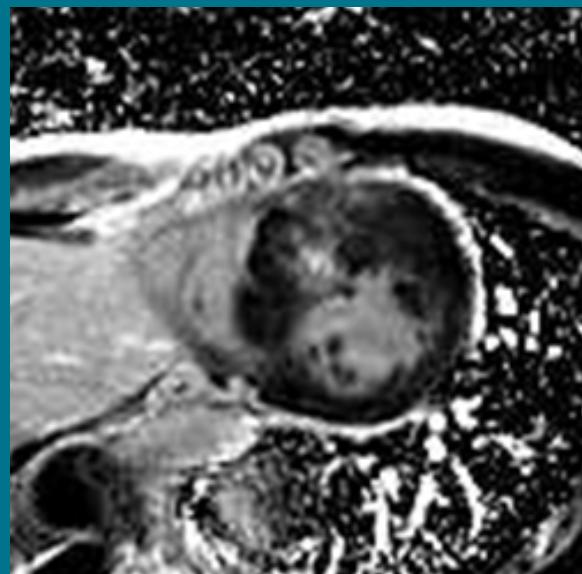
# Patterns of Delayed enhancement

*Not specific for ischemic injury*

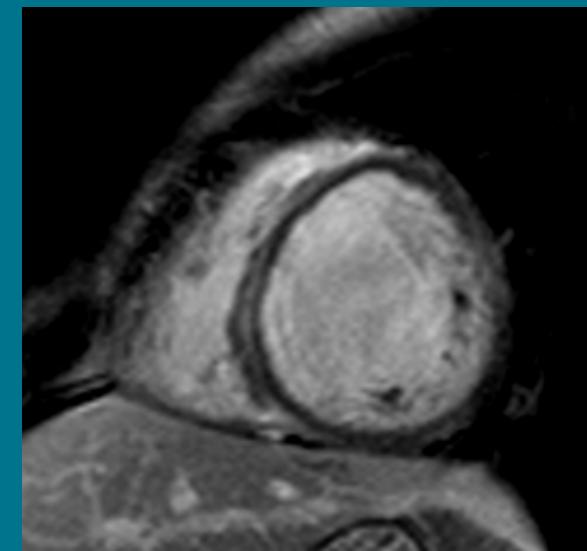
Acute Myocarditis



HCM: Fibrosis



DCM: Fibrosis

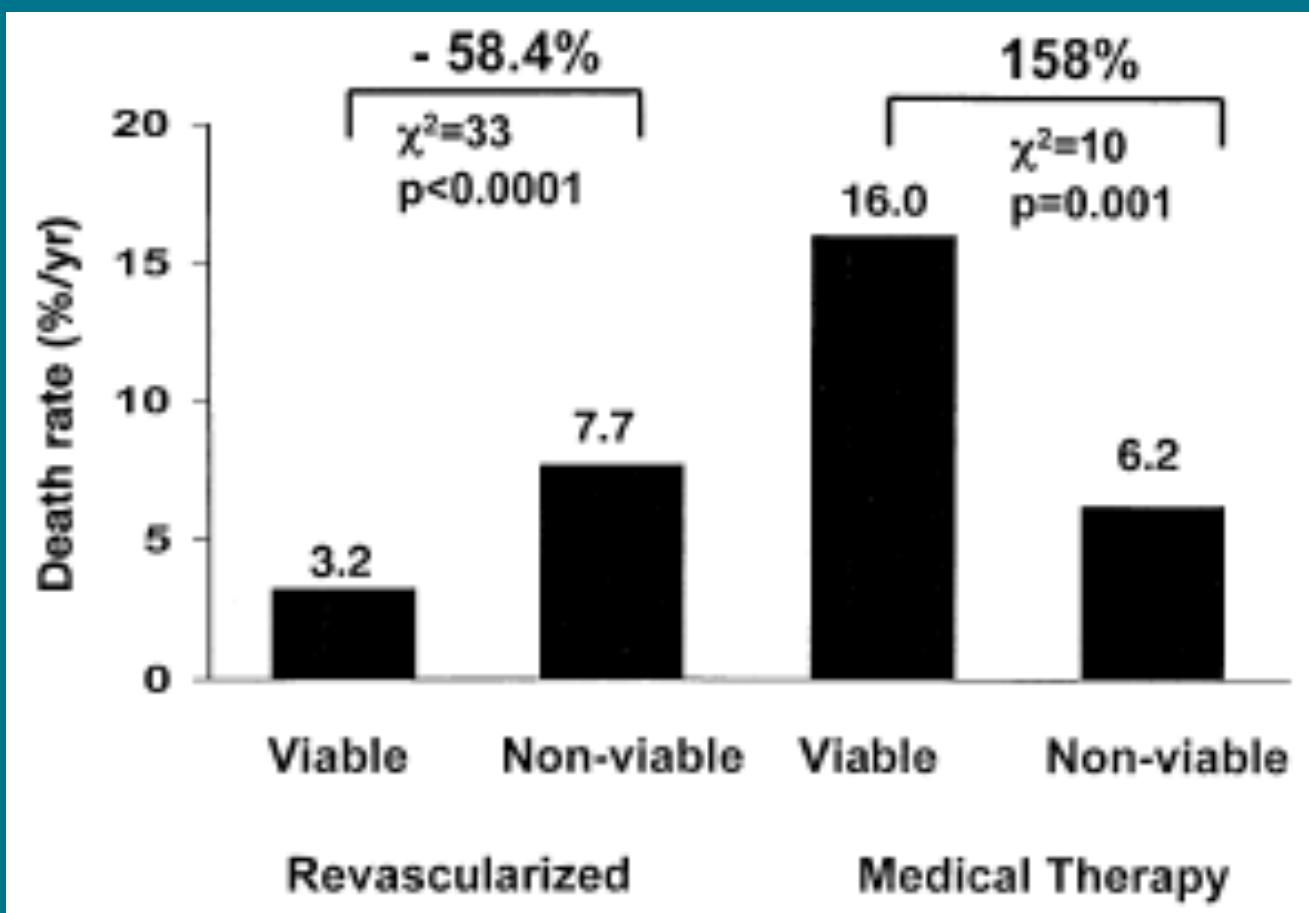


M25, chest pain 4 months

M 30, alcoholism



## Myocardial Viability



# Myocardial Viability

## The Clinical Problem:

Akinetic myocardium,  
supplied by stenosed coronary artery

Viable  
= Stunning, Hibernation



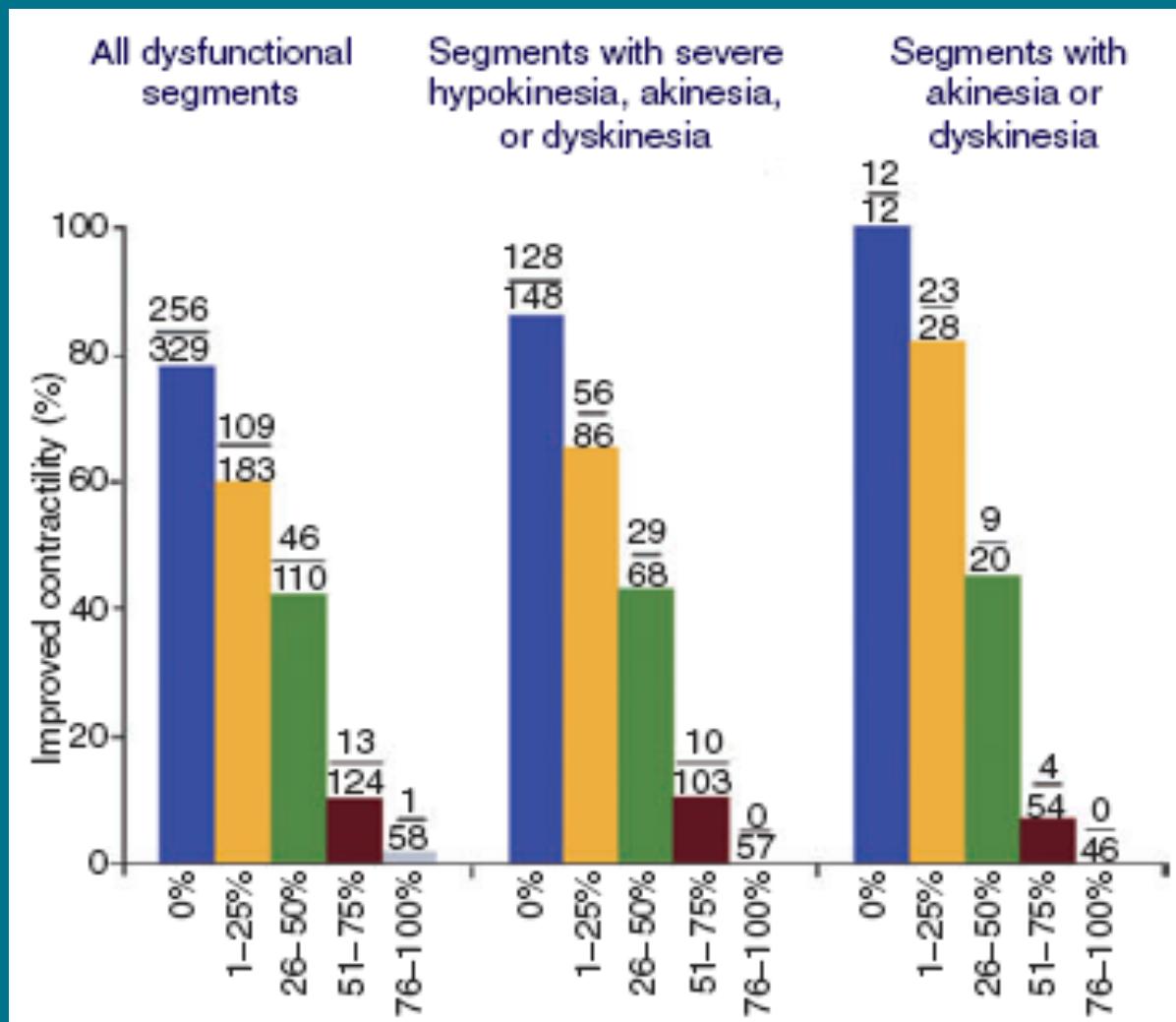
Revascularisation  
(PTCA, CABG)

Non-viable  
= Scar



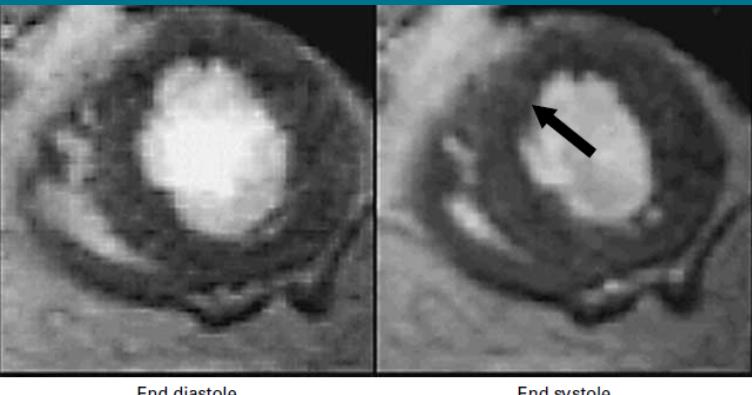
No Revascularisation

# DE-MRI: viability and predict functional recovery



# DE-MRI: viability and predict functional recovery

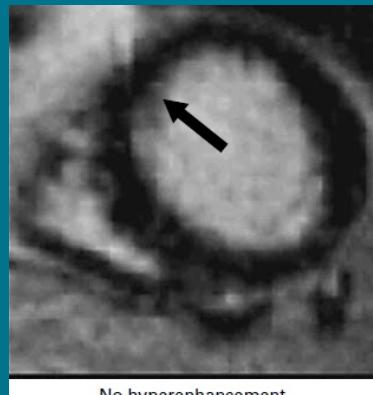
Before stent



End diastole

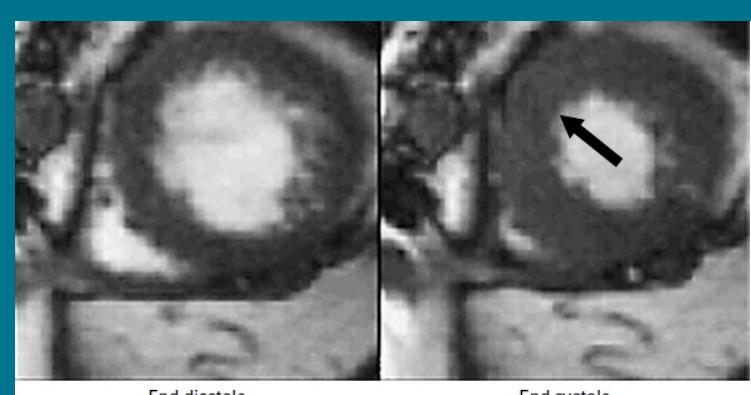
End systole

No enhancement



No hyperenhancement

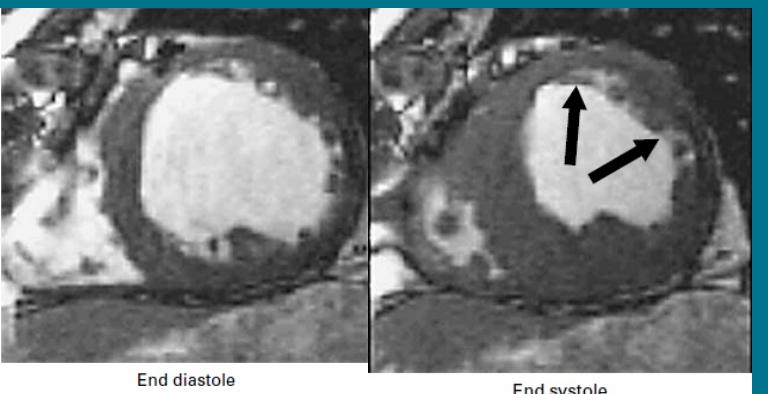
After stent



End diastole

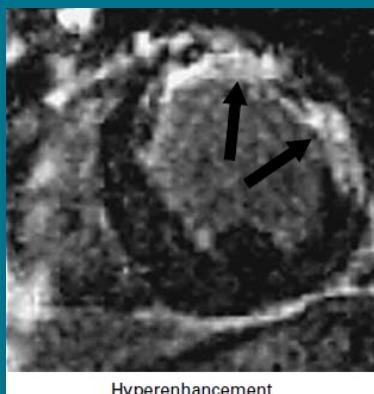
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Transmural enhancement > 75%

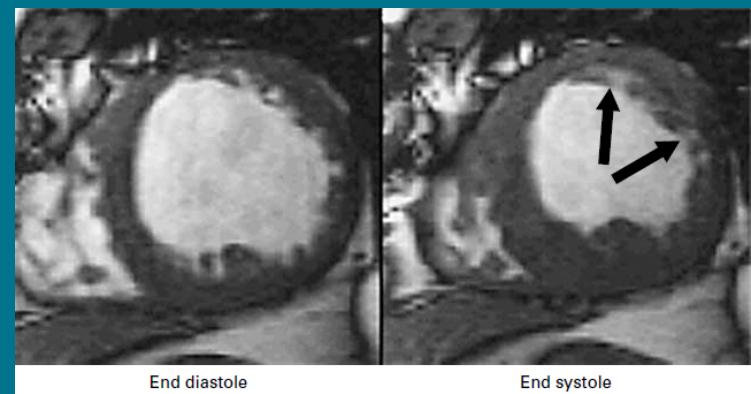


End diastole

End systole



Hyperenhancement



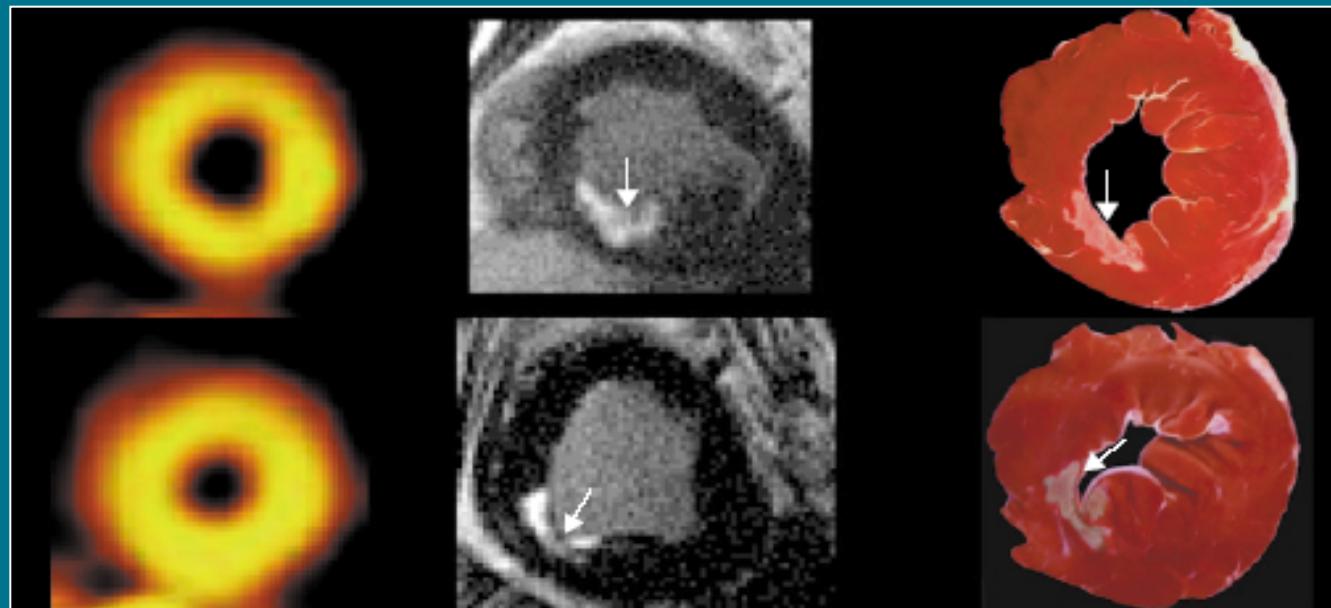
End diastole

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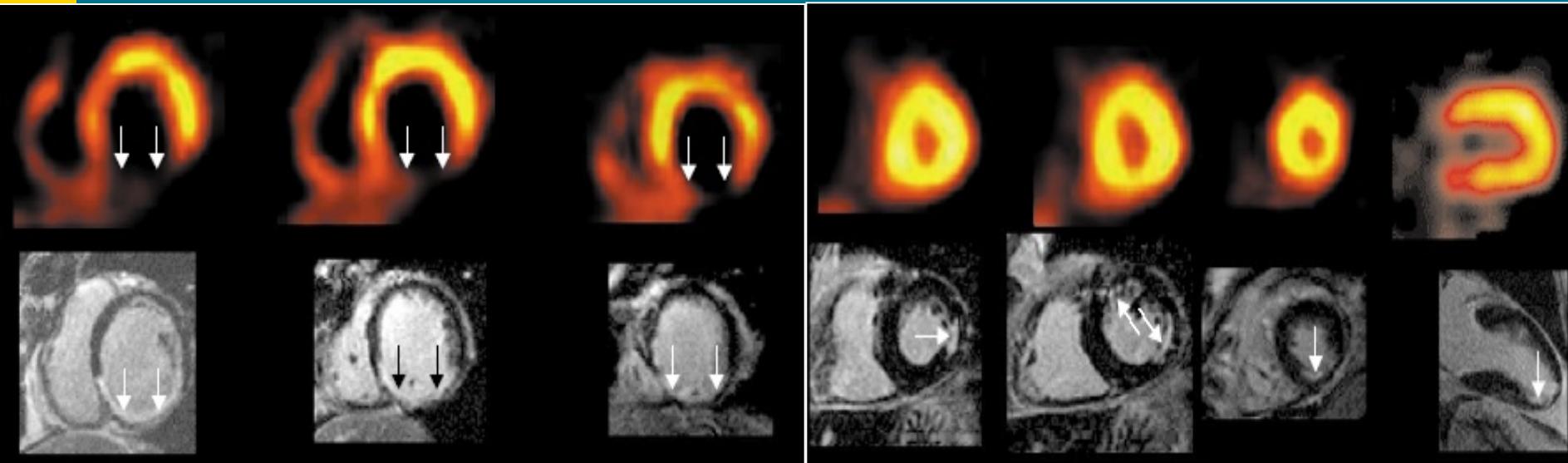


## Dog model:

SPECT and MRI detect 100% of transmural infarction  
MRI detect 92% of subendocardial MI  
SPECT lost 72% of subendocardial MI

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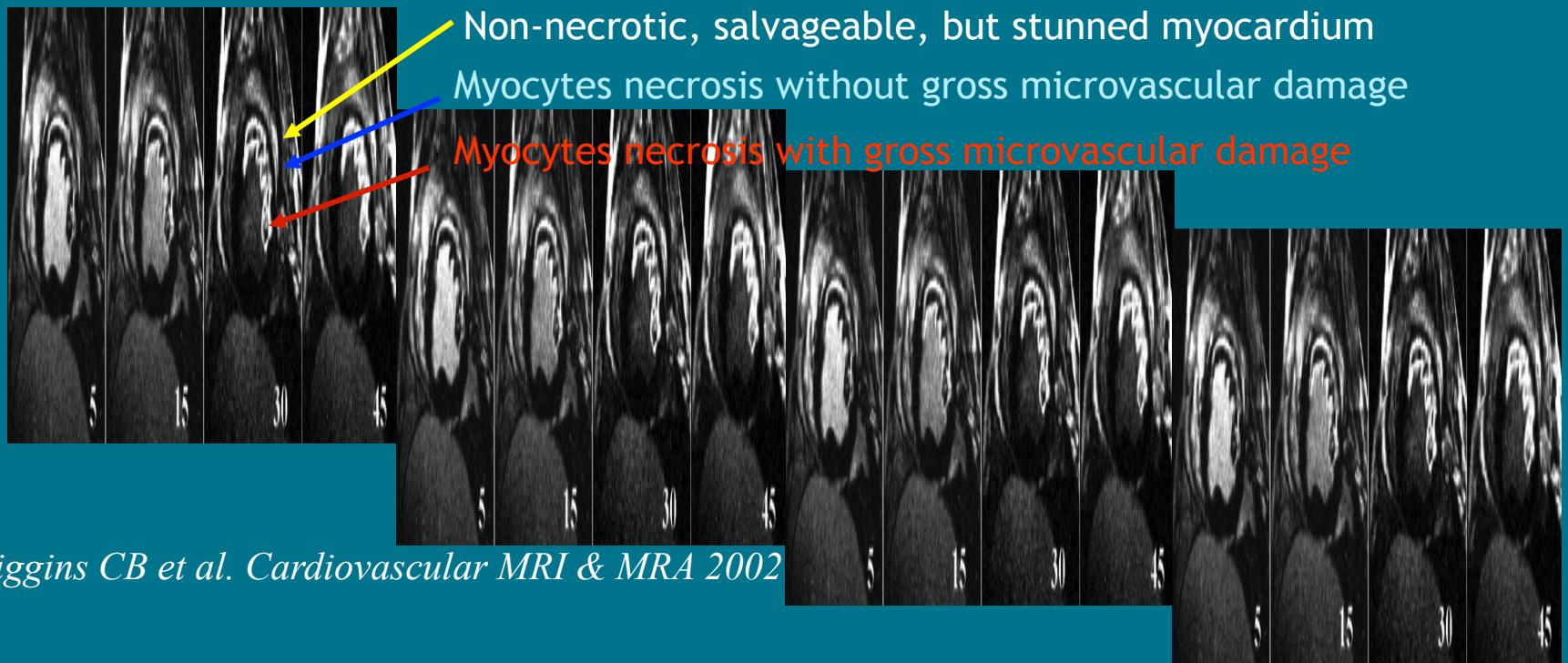


Human model: compare with MRI  
SPECT detect 100% of transmural MI  
SPECT lost 47% sub-endocardial infarction

Superior to SPECT for the detection of sub-endocardial infarction



# Microvascular Obstruction on CMR



## Late (or Persistent) MVO:

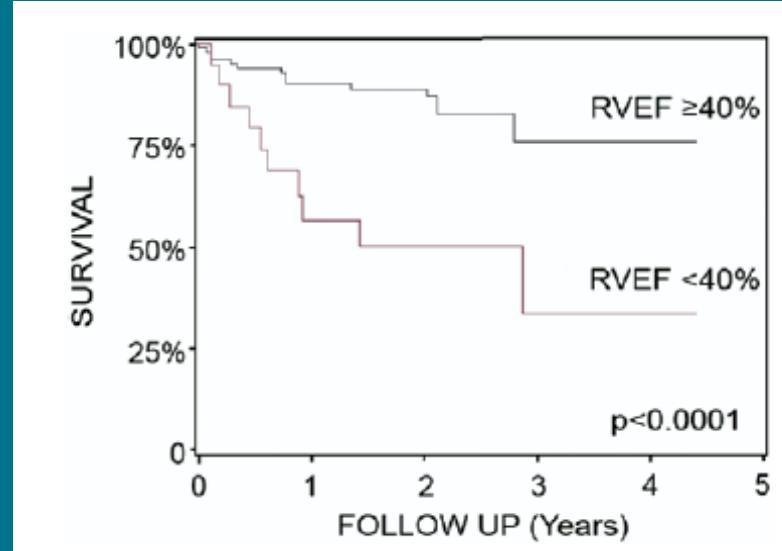
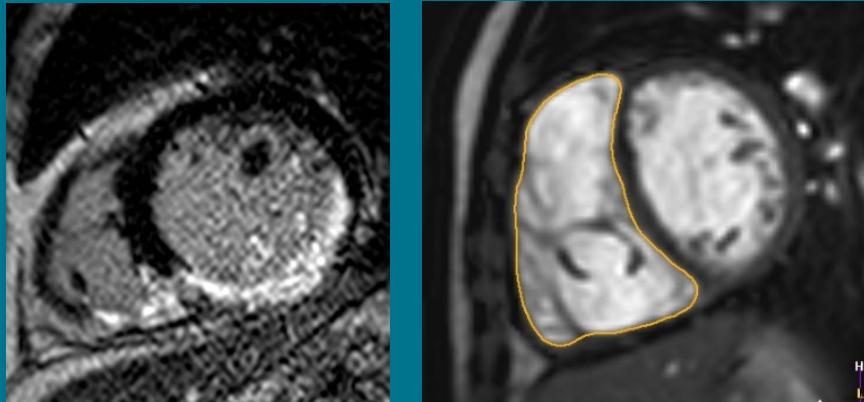
- more powerful predictor of global and regional functional recovery than all of the other characteristics, including transmural extent of infarction.

Nijveldt R et al. JACC 2008;52:181-189



# RV function and infarction

- Evaluation of RVEF using CMR imaging can improve risk-stratification and potentially refine patient management after MI.



Larose E et al. JACC 2007;49:855-862

# Comprehensive MR Approach for dysfunctional myocardium

Myocardial status	Perfusion	Wall motion			DE-MRI
		Rest	Low dose	High dose	
Normal	Normal	Normal	↑	↑↑	Normal
Stunned	Normal	↓	↑	↑↑	Normal
Hibernating	↓	↓	↑	↓↓	Normal
Infarction	↓	↓	↓	↓	Hyperenhance



## **Value of the cardiac MRI in diagnose chronic IHD (Stenosis $\geq$ 50% in invasive coronary angiography was significant)**

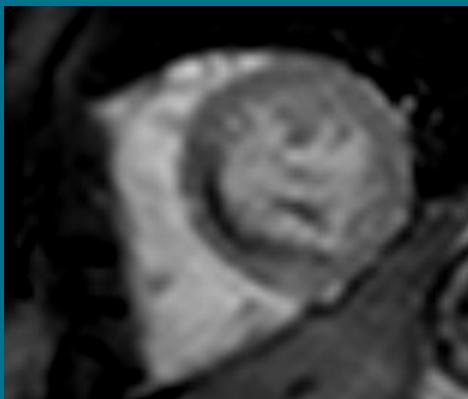
**Bach Mai hospital, 2012-2014**

87 patients with suspected chronic IHD underwent CMR 1.5 Tesla  
36 patients with adenosine followed by LGE using Gadolinium

<b>CMR</b>	<b>Se (%)</b>	<b>Sp (%)</b>	<b>PPV (%)</b>	<b>NPV (%)</b>
PERF	93.3	83.3	96.6	71.4
DE	91	77.8	97.3	50
PERF/ DE	93.3	83.3	96.6	71.4



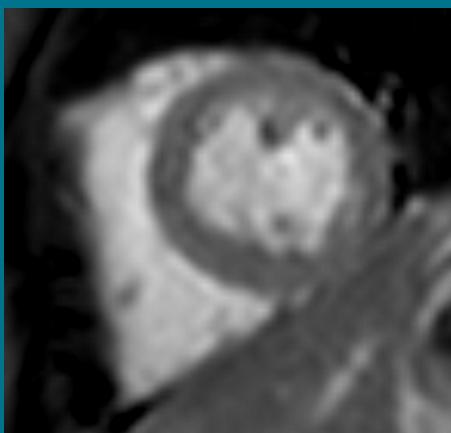
Case 1: 74 year-old female, chest pain



Stress perfusion



DE



Rest perfusion

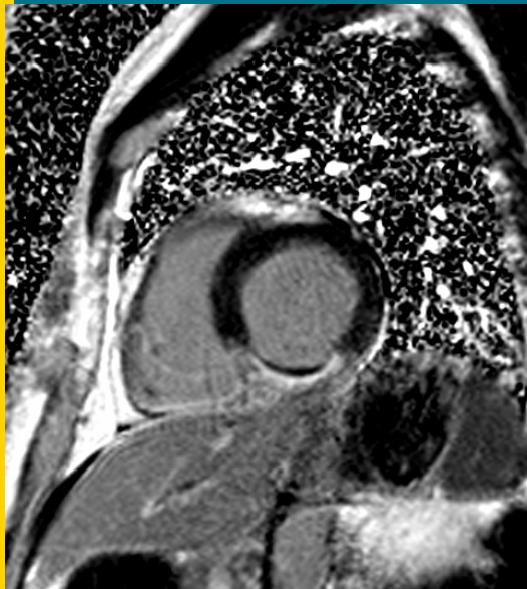


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## Case 2

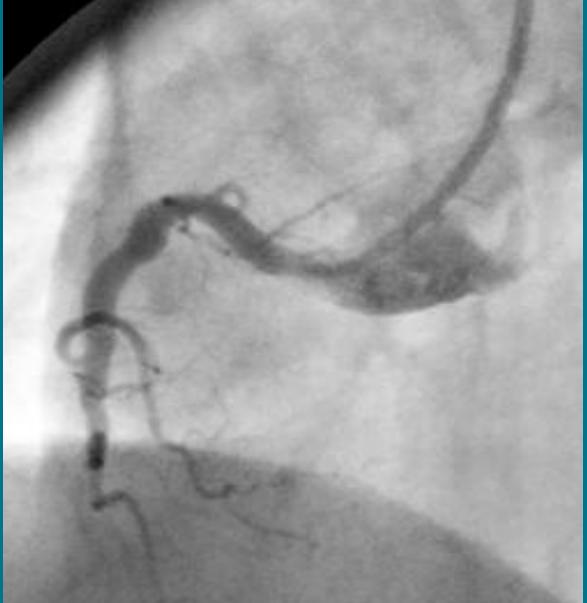
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Short axis - DE



2C - DE



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# Cardiac MR for Ischemic Heart Disease

- Introduction
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- Evaluation of cardiac function
- Detection and Differentiation of IHD
- Challenges and Future Aspects
- Conclusion



# Challenges and Limitations of CMR

- Long scan time (at least 30 min ~ 1 hour)
- Limited experienced clinicians and radiologists
- Limited facility
- High cost
- Contrast media related complication:
  - Nephrogenic systemic fibrosis in patients with impaired renal function



# Future Aspects of CMR

- Faster scan time: 32-channel coil etc
- High spatial resolution: 3T, 7T etc
- Real time imaging: k-t blast sequence etc
- Myocardial fiber tracking: DTI etc
- Molecular MR imaging



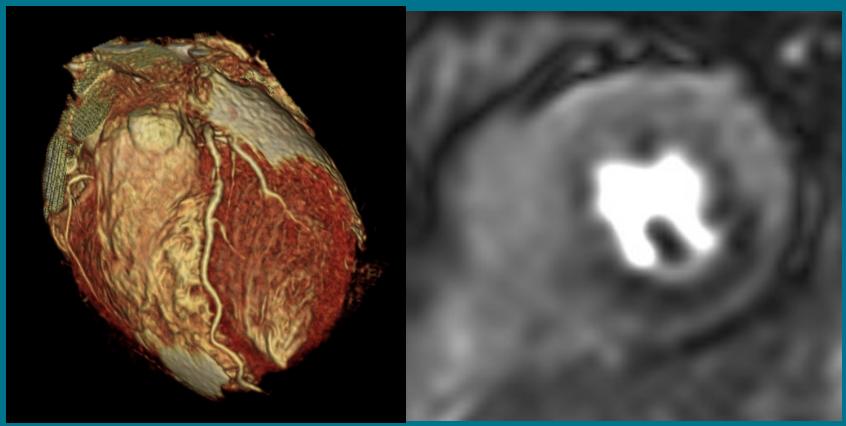
*Coronary artery + Function + Perfusion + Viability*



Cardiac MDCT

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Cardiac MRI



*Choi SI et al, Int J Cardiovascular Imaging 2009; 25:23-29*



# Conclusion

- CMR imaging is emerging as a “one-stop exam” tool for the management in patients with suspected or established IHD.
- CMR can provides additional information over other clinical tests for the detection, differential diagnosis, and prognostication in patients with IHD.
- With advances of MR technology, CMR will play an increasing role in patients with suspected or established IHD.