

Indication of Wearable Defibrillator (lifest) (sic)

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Case study

48 yo LAM had recent ant MI s/p LAD stenting with Ef of 30%. He was dc home with medical therapy. Two weeks later, he sustained VF arrest at home with a long delay to CPR. the stent was patent on repeat cardiac cath but pt suffered significant anoxic encephalopathy.

80 yo male with recently dx NIDCM CHF and non sus VT which was not inducible for VT. Send home with lifest. He received a shock two weeks later for VF and he received ICD at that time.

Patient's Changing Condition

Multiple Considerations To Balance

- **The risk of sudden cardiac death post-MI is the highest in the first 30 days^{1,2}**
 - Post-MI patients with heart failure are at 4-6 times greater risk of sudden cardiac death in the first 30 days after MI
- **Patient condition can improve from the benefits of optimized medical therapy³**
 - Significant improvements in EF are observed over the initial 8-10 weeks post-MI
 - REFINE Study average relative improvement in EF was 18% at 8-10 weeks

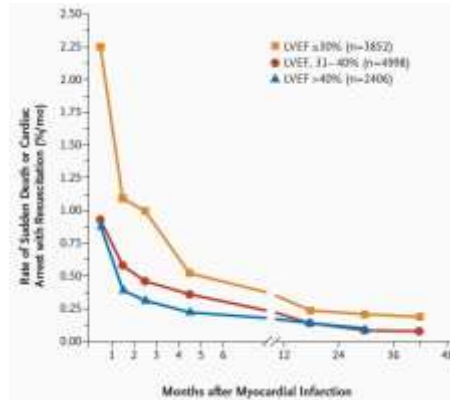
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VALIANT Trial

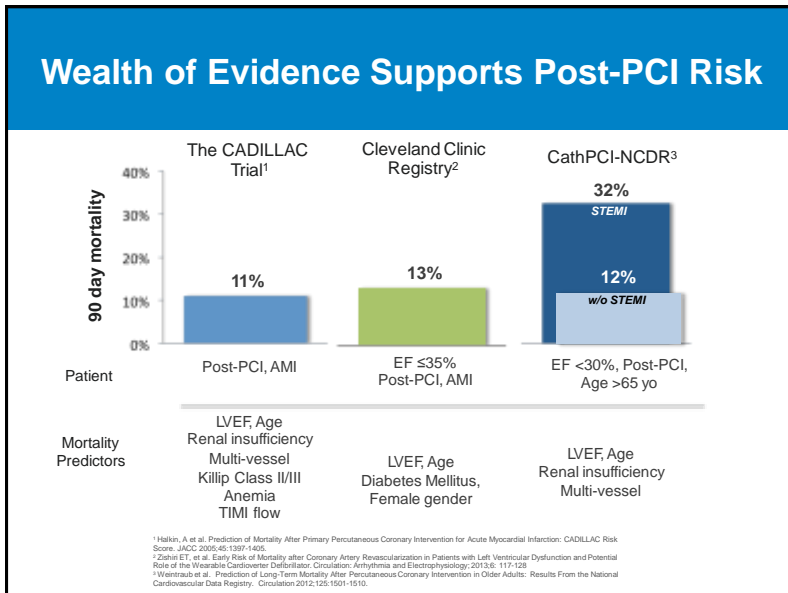
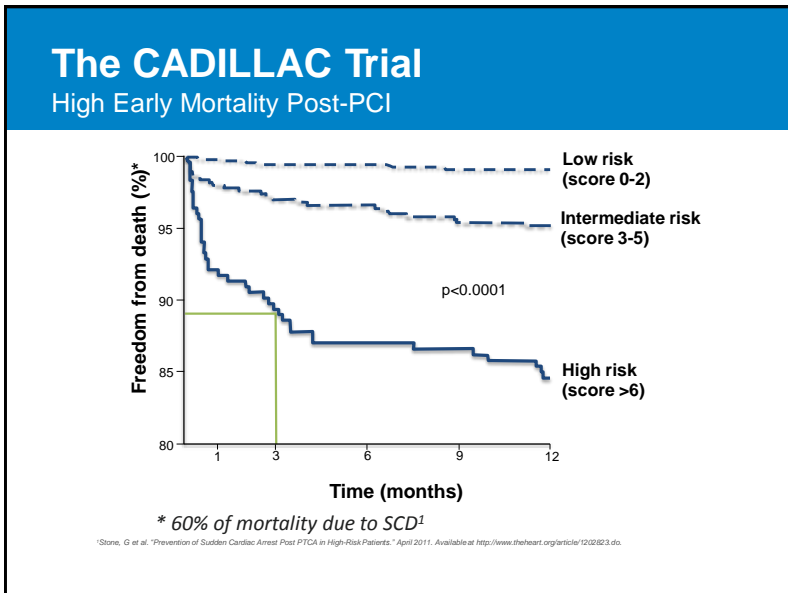
High Early Risk of SCA



Post-MI patients with heart failure are at 4-6 times greater risk of SCA in the first 30 days post-MI¹

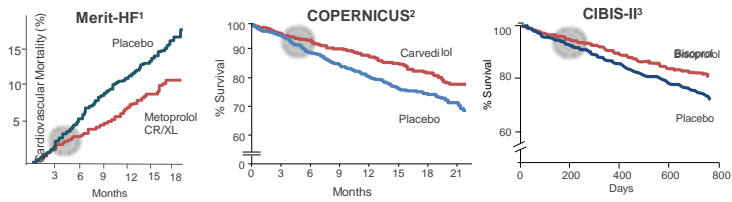
- 83% of SCA occurred after hospital discharge.
- 74% of those resuscitated in the first 30 days were alive at 1 year

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Medical Therapy Optimization Required Prior To Managing Long-Term Arrhythmic Risk

- **Medical optimization and stabilization can take 3 months or more.**
 - Beta blocker doses effective in HF are generally achieved in 8 to 12 weeks and do not impart any mortality benefit until at least 3 months



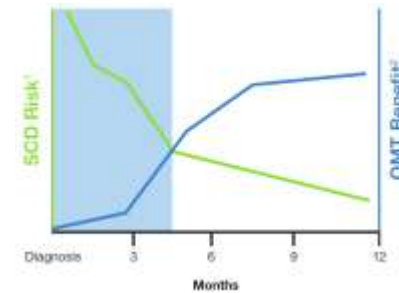
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Medical Therapy Optimization Opportunity for SCD Risk Protection

- **LifeVest provides SCD protection during medical therapy optimization while a patient's risk is changing**



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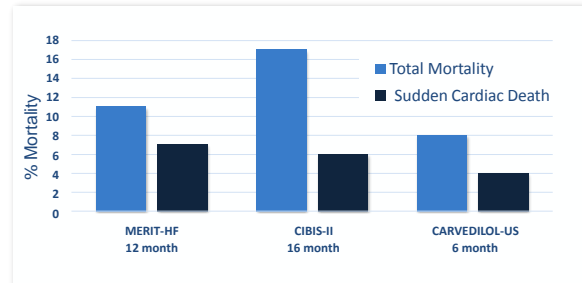
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Understanding the Risk

LV Systolic Dysfunction and SCD Risk

➤ SCD accounted for ~50% (35-64%) of total mortality^{1,2,3}

- EF was the single most important risk factor for SCD



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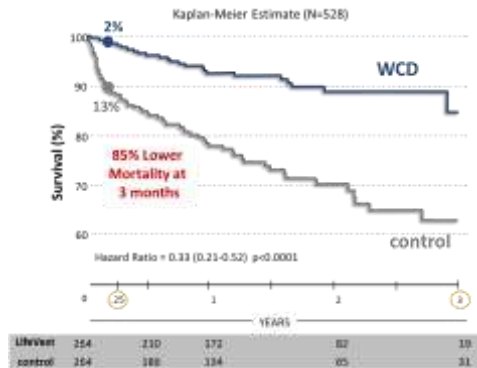
Conclusions

- Patients with LVEF $\leq 35\%$ have higher early compared to late mortality after coronary revascularization
- Post-PCI patients with EF $\leq 35\%$ who were prescribed the WCD had:
 - 85% lower 90-day total mortality (2%) compared to a matched cohort of patients not prescribed the WCD (13%)
- WCD use associated with significant reduction in total mortality in patients with EF $\leq 35\%$ following PCI
 - 57% lower risk of death ($p < 0.0001$) over a mean follow-up of over 3 years in the total post-PCI cohort
 - Following the end of WCD use, a persistent survival benefit was observed out to 3 years

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LifeVest use associated with improved survival



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- Post-PCI low EF ($\leq 35\%$) patients prescribed LifeVest had an 85% lower 90-day mortality (2%) compared to a matched cohort of patients not prescribed LifeVest (13%)
- WCD use associated with a 57% lower risk of death ($p < 0.0001$) over a mean follow-up of over 3 years in the total post-PCI cohort

FDA Indications for Use

- The LifeVest System is indicated for patients* who are at risk for sudden cardiac arrest and are not candidates for or who refuse an implantable defibrillator.



*Patients under 18 years of age must have a chest circumference of 26 inches (66 centimeters) or greater, and a weight of 18.75 kilograms (41.3 pounds) or greater.

LifeVest System

ECG Electrodes

- Dry & non-adhesive
- 4 electrodes providing 2 channels of monitoring



Self-Gelling Defibrillation Electrodes

Response Buttons

- May be used by patients to delay treatments

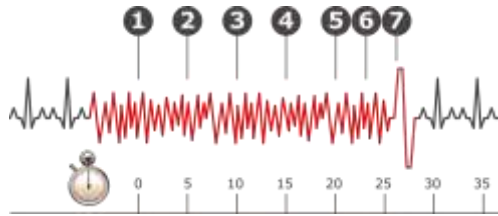
Monitor

- 150 joules biphasic
- Stores ECG, activity, heart rate, etc.

LifeVest Patient Example



Treatment Sequence



1. Arrhythmia detected, activating vibration alert (continues throughout sequence).
2. Siren alerts begin (continues throughout sequence).
3. Siren alerts get louder.
4. Patient audible prompt: "Press response buttons to delay treatment."
5. Gel release.
6. Bystander audible prompt: "Bystanders, do not interfere."
7. Treatment shock.

Example Event ECG



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Study Purpose

➤ To provide prospective data on:

- **The safety and efficacy of the LifeVest Wearable Cardioverter Defibrillator (WCD) in a real world setting**
 - Characterize the patients prescribed with WCD
 - Assess the risk for sustained ventricular tachyarrhythmic events among at-risk patients during WCD use by disease etiology
 - Identify the rate of ejection fraction improvement and the need for ICD implantation at the end of WCD use
- **One-year outcomes of patients prescribed the WCD**

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Registry Design & Follow-Up



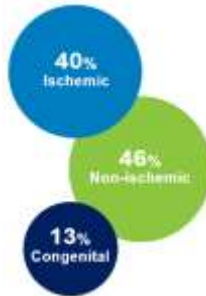
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Study Population



A prospective registry of
2,000 patients prescribed
the LifeVest

- Data collection: Aug 2011-May 2015
- Data management: University of Rochester
- Ejection Fraction (median) = 25%



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Baseline Characteristics

	All Patients N=2000	Ischemic N=805	Non-ischemic N=927	Cong/Inherited N=268
Age, years (median)	62	65	59†	59*
Female	30%	23%	36%†	30%*
EF (median)	25%	30%	25%†	25%*
HF symptoms	52%	48%	52%	63%*
Diabetes	28%	35%	21%†	30%*
Prior ACA	9%	11%	7%†	7%

*p-value < 0.05 ischemic, non-ischemic, congenital/inherited, †p-value < 0.05 ischemic, non-ischemic
Data are reported by patients using a baseline evaluation form.

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Arrhythmic Events

- 1 in 14 patients diagnosed with an arrhythmia requiring intervention while wearing the LifeVest

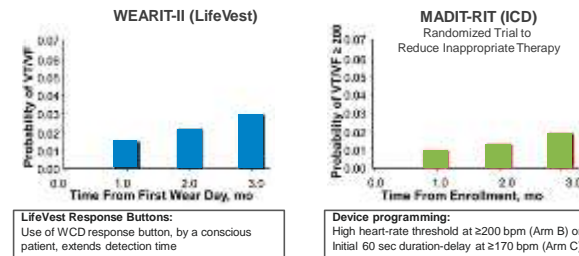
	Patients (%)	Events (events/pt)	Event Rate Per 100 Pt-Year
Any Sustained VT/VF *	41 (2.1%)	120 (2.9)	22
WCD Therapy for VT/VF	22 (1.1%)	30 (1.36)	5
Non-sustained VT	28 (1.4%)	164 (5.9)	30
Atrial arrhythmias/SVT	72 (3.6%)	561 (7.8)	101
Asystole	6 (0.3%)	9 (1.5)	2

*Treated VT/VF and sustained VT's that spontaneously terminated during the use of the response button or during the extended detection time

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Treatment Rate

- The treatment rate with the LifeVest was high at 5 events per 100 patient-years.
 - ICD treatment rate in MADIT-RIT¹ was 3 events per 100 patient-years



1. Moss AJ, Schuger C, Beck CA, et al. (2012) Reduction in inappropriate therapy and mortality through ICD programming. N Engl J Med 367(24):2275-83.

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Low Occurrence of Inappropriate Therapies

Type	Total N=2000
Inappropriate Treatment, n (%)	10 (0.5%)
Death, n (%) with the WCD	3 (0.2%)*

* LifeVest detected asystole at the time of death in all 3 patients
No death related to unsuccessful termination of VT/VF

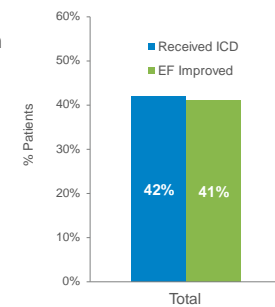
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Outcomes Following WCD Use

➤ At the end of LifeVest Use

- 41% of patients demonstrated improved LVEF did not need an ICD
- 42% of patients had an LVEF that did not improve and received an ICD

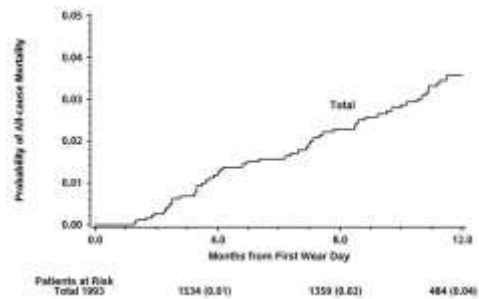
End of Use Reasons



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One-Year All-Cause Mortality

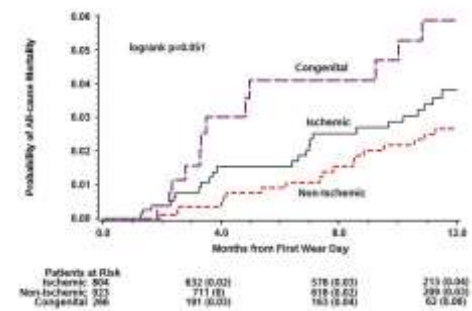
- One-Year survival following use of the LifeVest across all patients was high at 96%.



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All-Cause Mortality by Disease Etiology

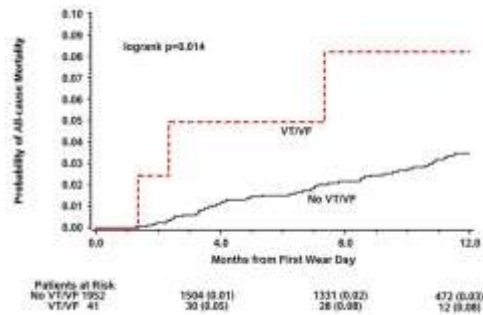
- No meaningful difference in one-year survival between patients with ischemic and non-ischemic cardiomyopathy.



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All-Cause Mortality after VT/VF event

- One-year survival for patients who experienced VT/VF during use of the LifeVest was high at 92%.



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Conclusions

The LifeVest can be used as part of a strategy for managing patients at risk of sudden cardiac death.

- High one-year survival rate
- Risk assessment tool to identify patients at higher risk for SCD who need subsequent ICD implantation
- Very low rate of inappropriate therapies
- Safe, no death related to LifeVest

PREDICTS Study

2400 pts randomized post MI with EF \leq 35% for lifevest vs regular care.

Primary outcome SCD occurrence in the first three months post MI.

Study results will be announced in the late breaking trials at ACC this March.

LifeVest

- **Primary prevention (EF \leq 35% and MI, NICM or other DCM) including:**
 - After recent MI (Coverage during the 40 day ICD waiting period)
 - Before and after CABG or PTCA (Coverage during the 90 day ICD waiting period)
 - Listed for cardiac transplant
 - Recently diagnosed nonischemic cardiomyopathy
Terminal disease with life expectancy of less than 1 year

- **ICD indications when patient condition delays or prohibits ICD implantation**
- **ICD explantation**