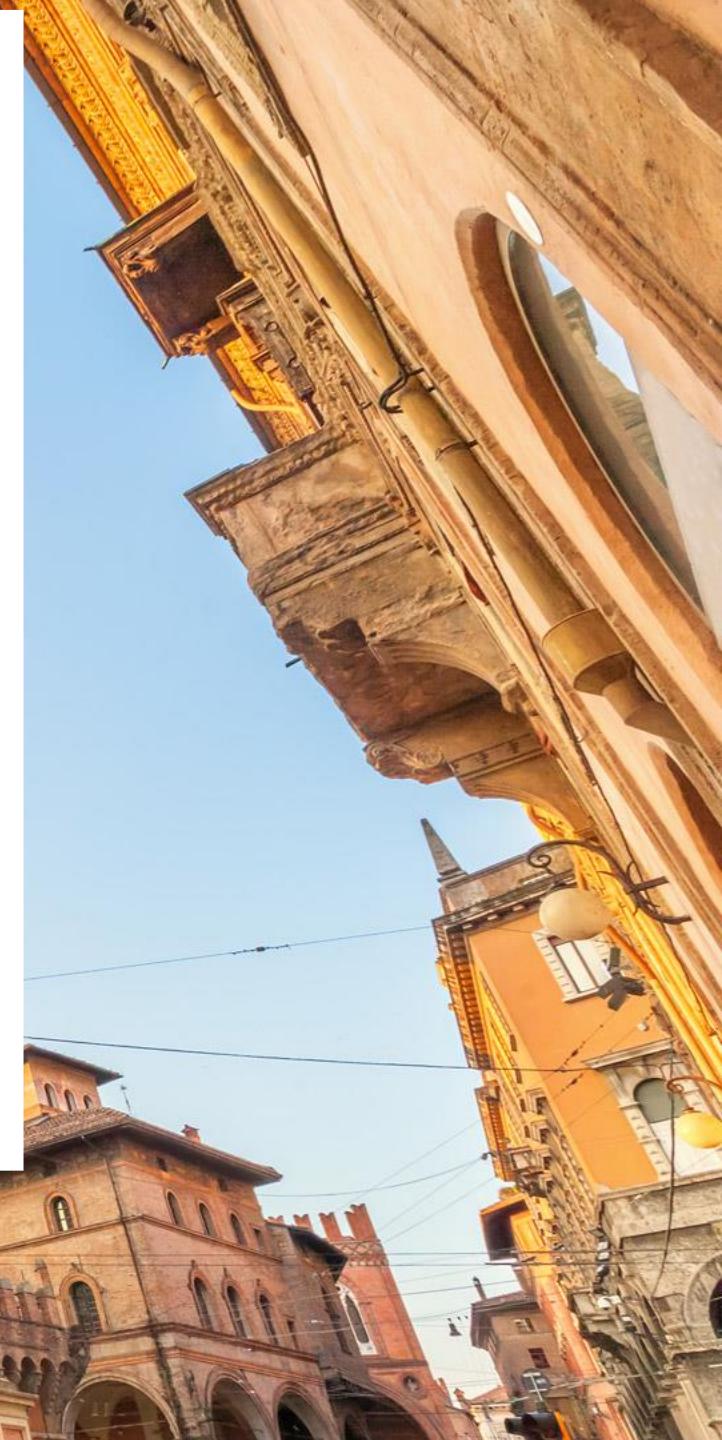


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Will this patient recover consciousness after cardiac arrest?

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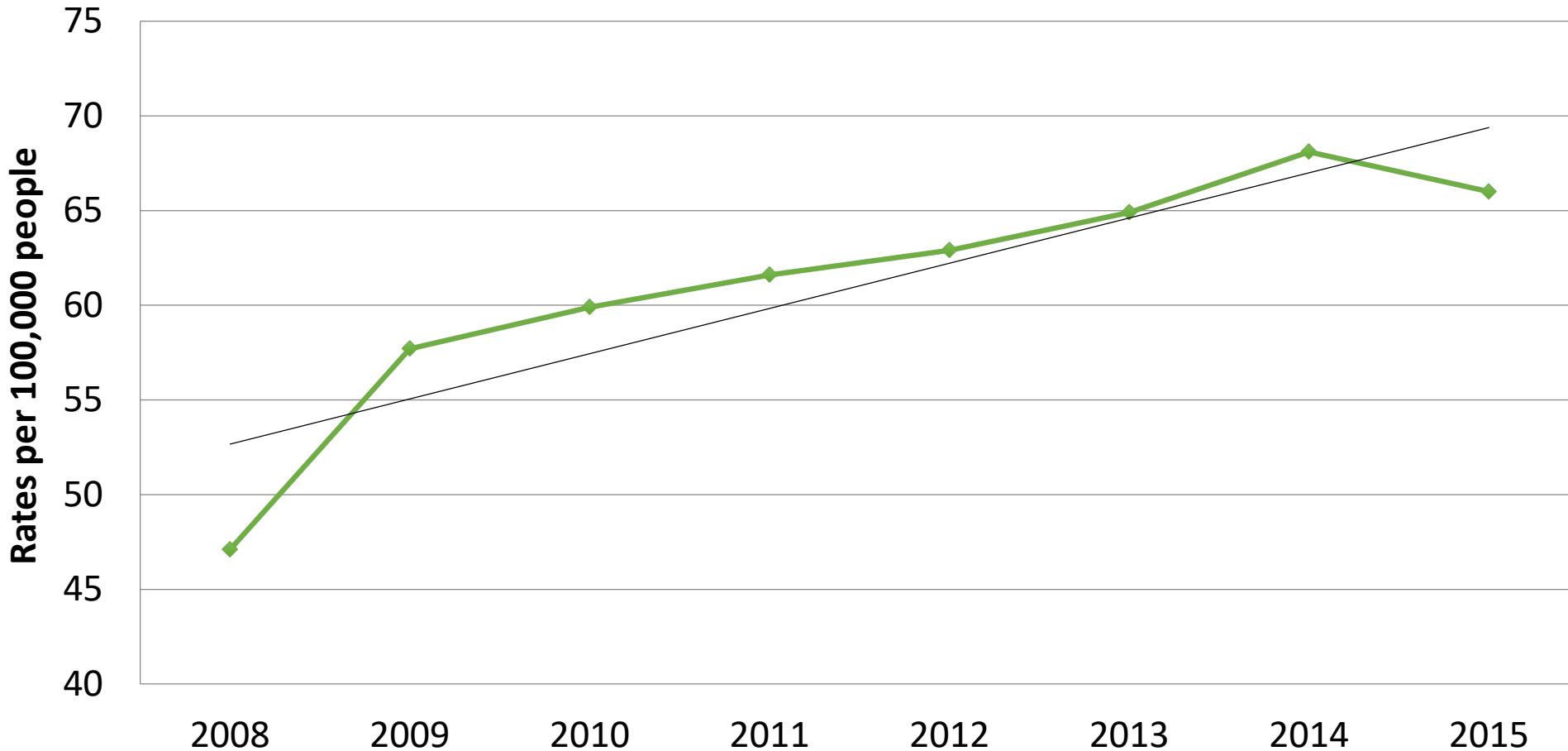
- Intellectual
 - Lead author, ERC-ESICM Advisory Statement on Prognostication After Cardiac Arrest
 - Author, ERC-ESICM Guidelines on Post-Resuscitation Care
 - Deputy Chair, Trauma and Emergency Medicine Section, European Society of Intensive Care Medicine (ESICM)





Every
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cardiac
arrest

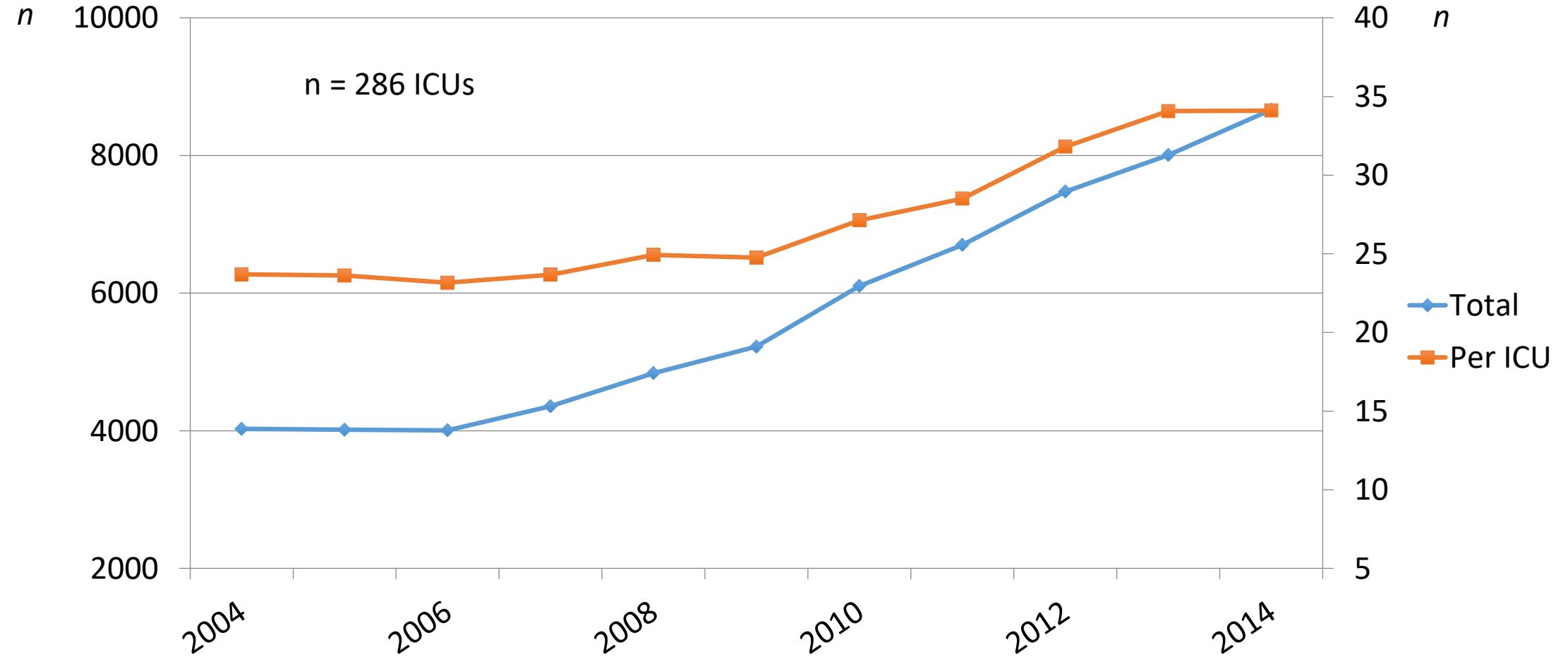
Incidence of resuscitated OHCA



Data from 9 ROC (Resuscitation Outcomes Consortium) EMS agencies, unpublished.



Post-CA admissions in UK, 2004-2014



Virginie Lemiale
Florence Dumas
Nicolas Mongardon
Olivier Giovanetti
Julien Charpentier
Jean-Daniel Chiche
Pierre Carli
Jean-Paul Mira
Jerry Nolan
Alain Cariou

Intensive care unit mortality after cardiac arrest: the relative contribution of shock and brain injury in a large cohort

- 1150 comatose survivors of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest (OHCA)
- 768 (66%) died before hospital discharge, of whom
 - 499 (65%) from hypoxic-ischaemic brain injury (**HIBI**)



The rate of brain death and organ donation in patients resuscitated from cardiac arrest: a systematic review and meta-analysis

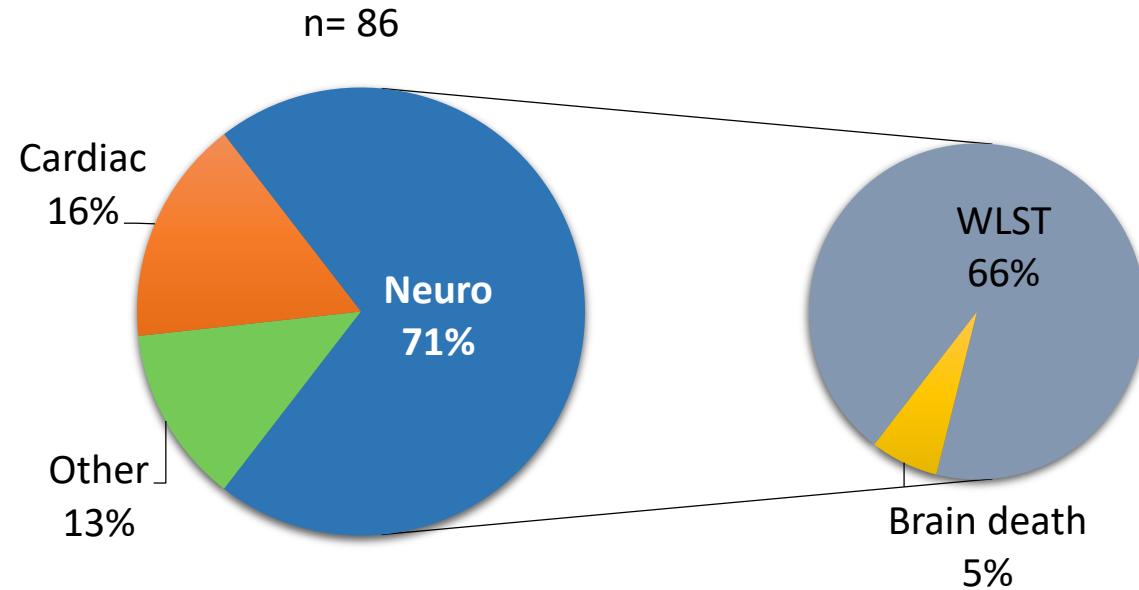
Claudio Sandroni^{1*} , Sonia D'Arrigo¹, Clifton W. Callaway², Alain Cariou³, Irina Dragancea⁴, Fabio Silvio Taccone⁵ and Massimo Antonelli¹

- 23,388 patients in 26 studies
- 1830 brain deaths @ 3.2 ± 0.4 days after ROSC
- Brain death: **12.6 [10.2-15.2]%** of total deaths

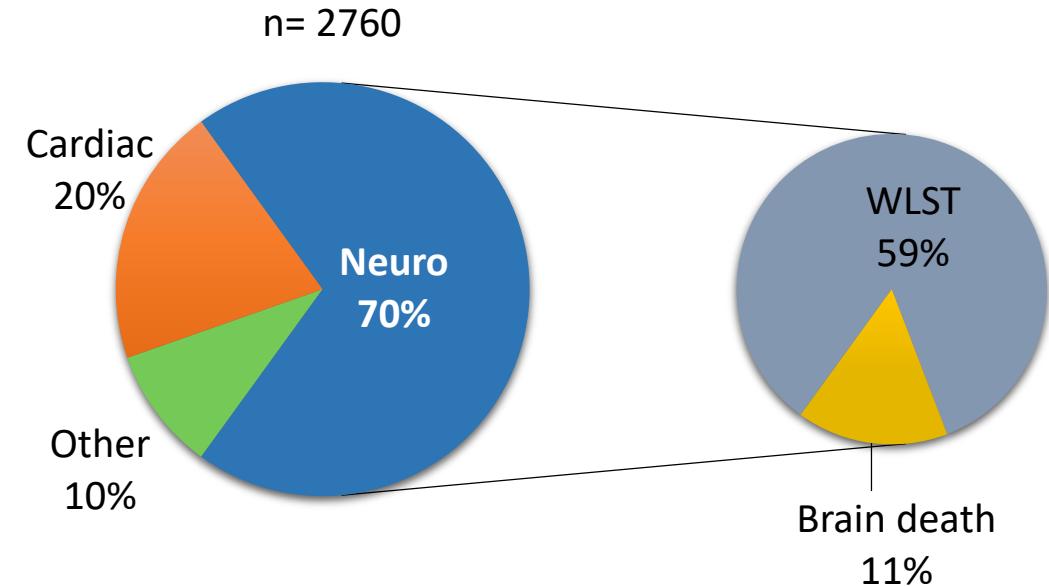


Causes of death after resuscitation

- Dragancea 2013, Sweden



- Elmer 2016, USA



WLST is the main mechanism of death after resuscitation

Prognostic tests

- Prognostication currently means predicting *poor* outcome
- Ideal test:
 - False positive rate (FPR) = 0% = 100% specificity
 - Minimal imprecision = narrow 95% CIs



Prognostication is a time-dependent process

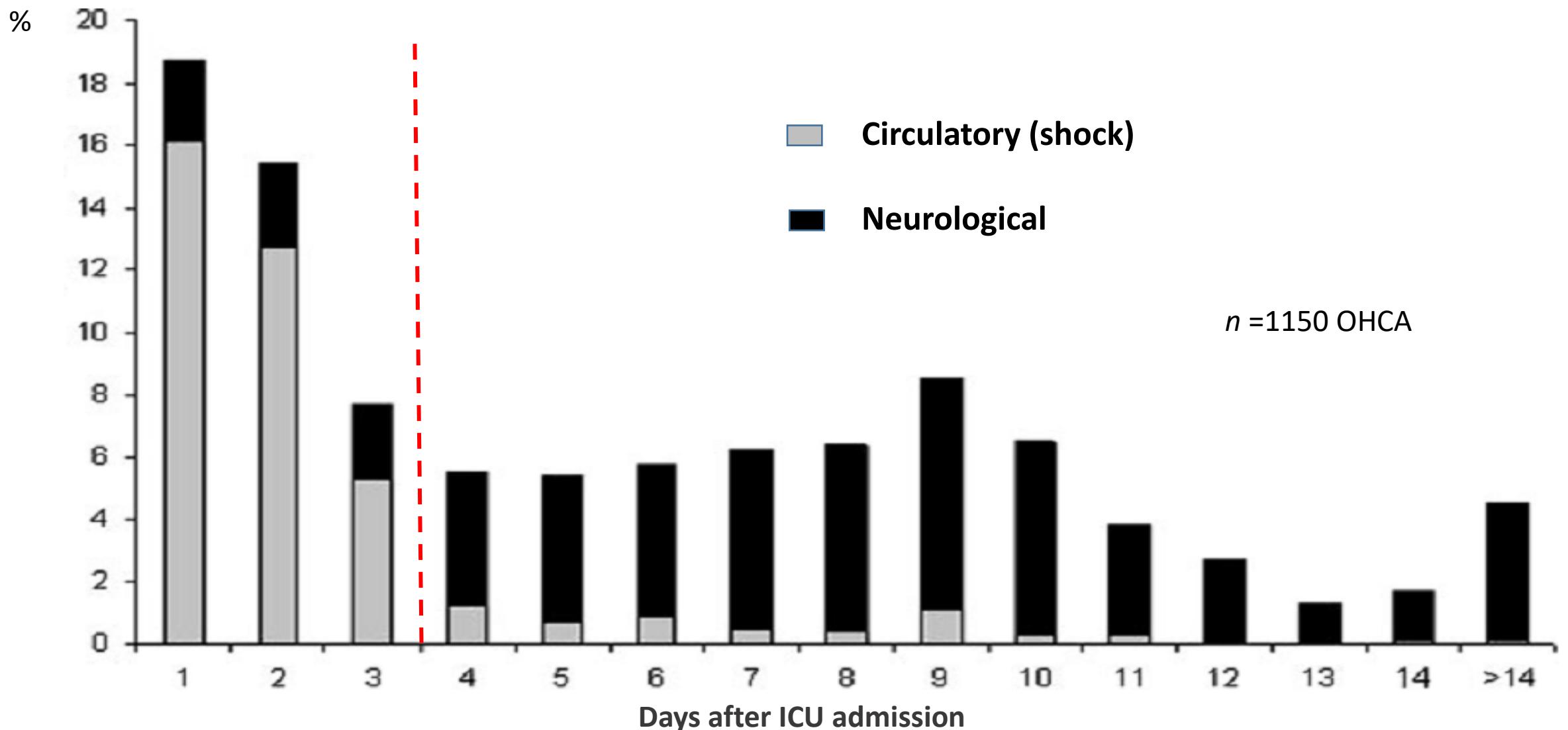


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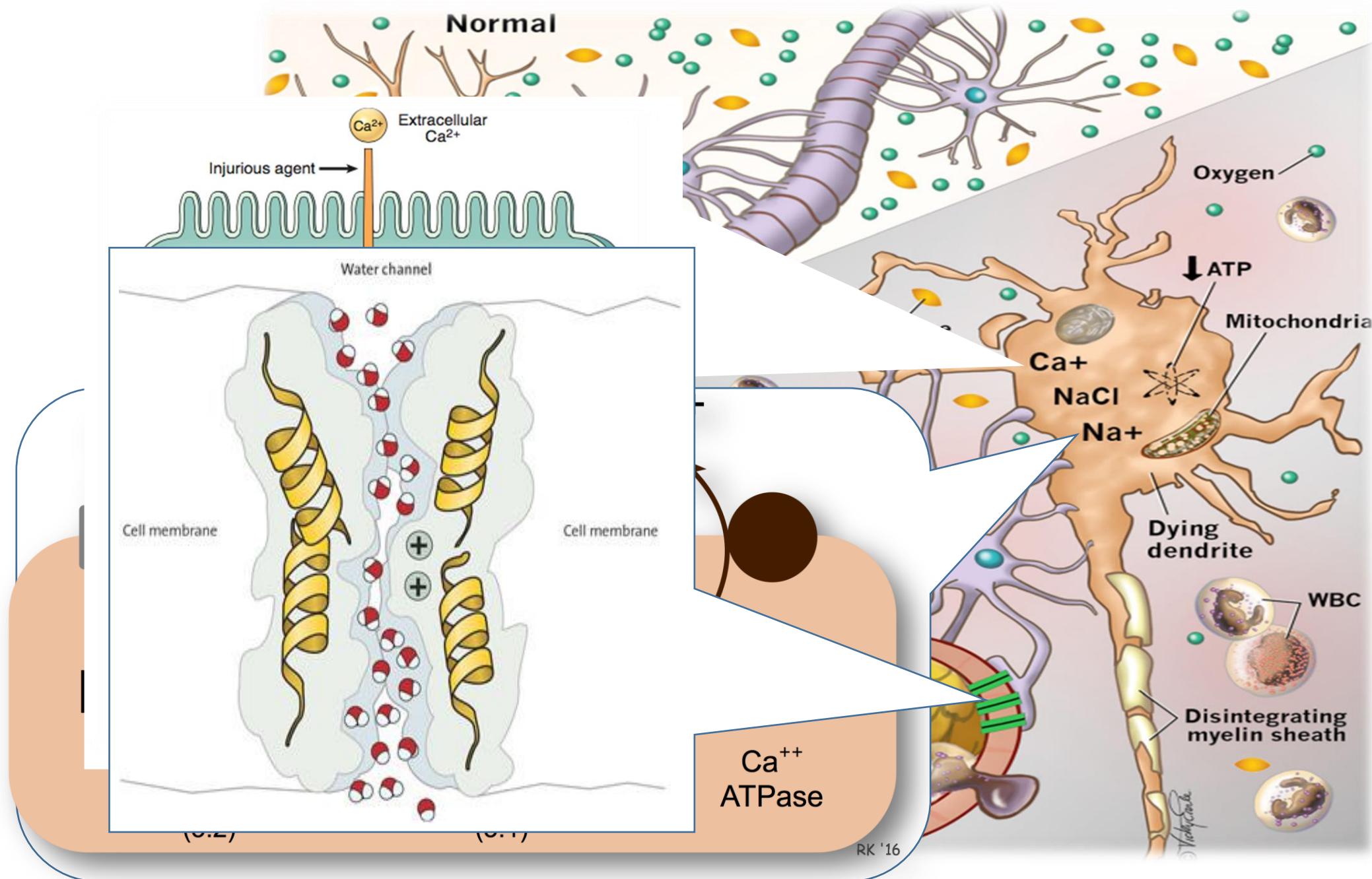
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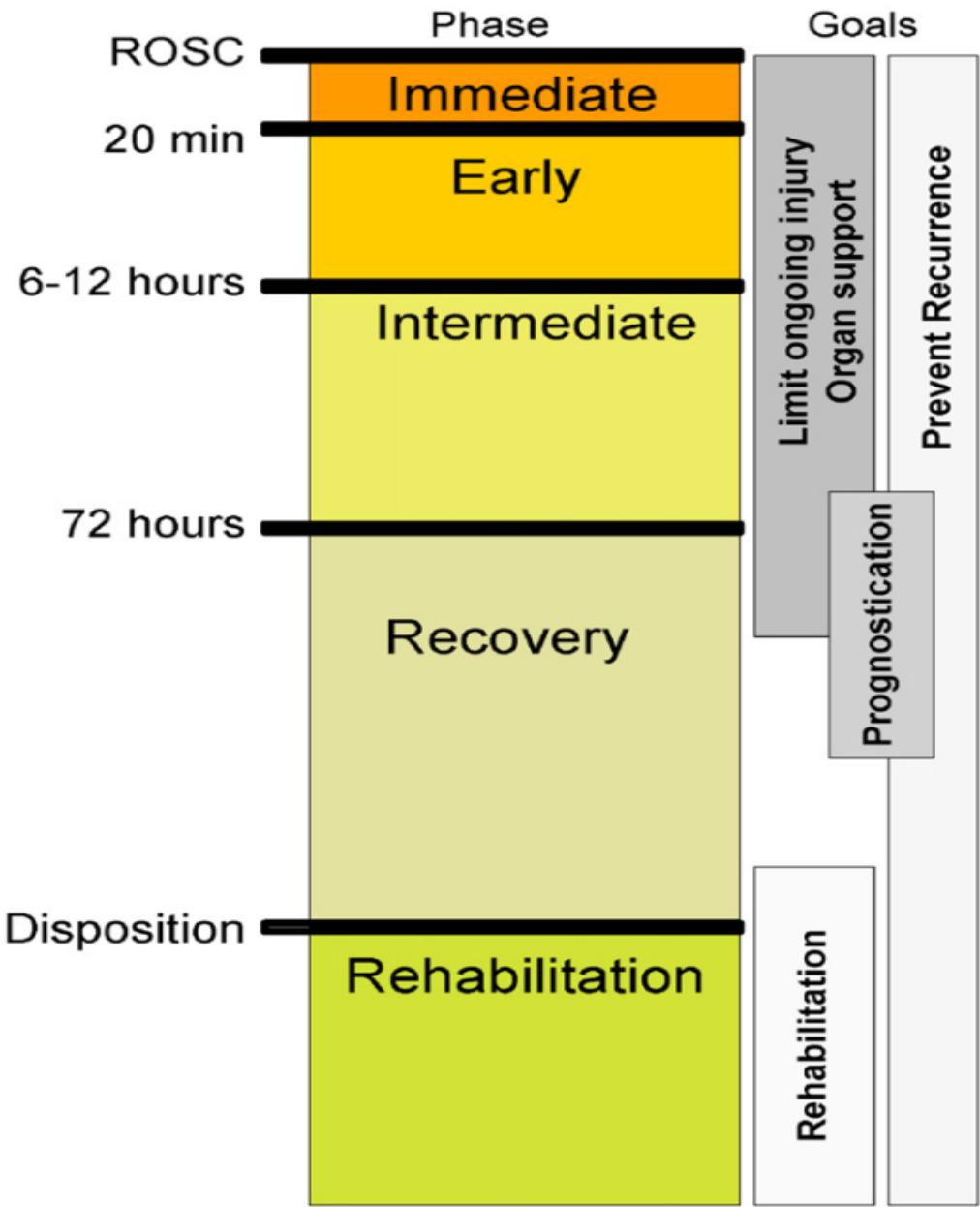
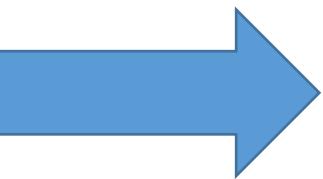
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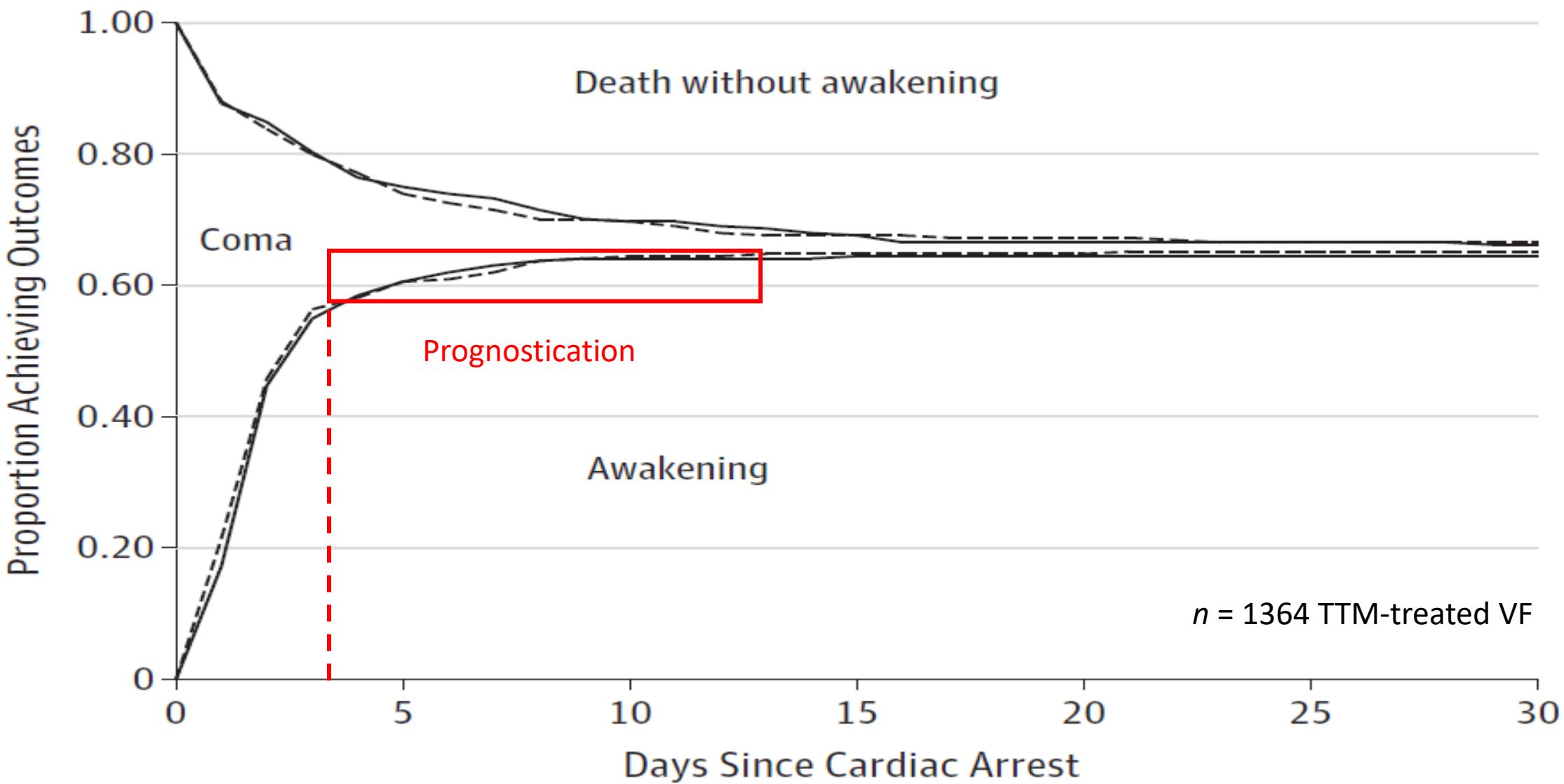
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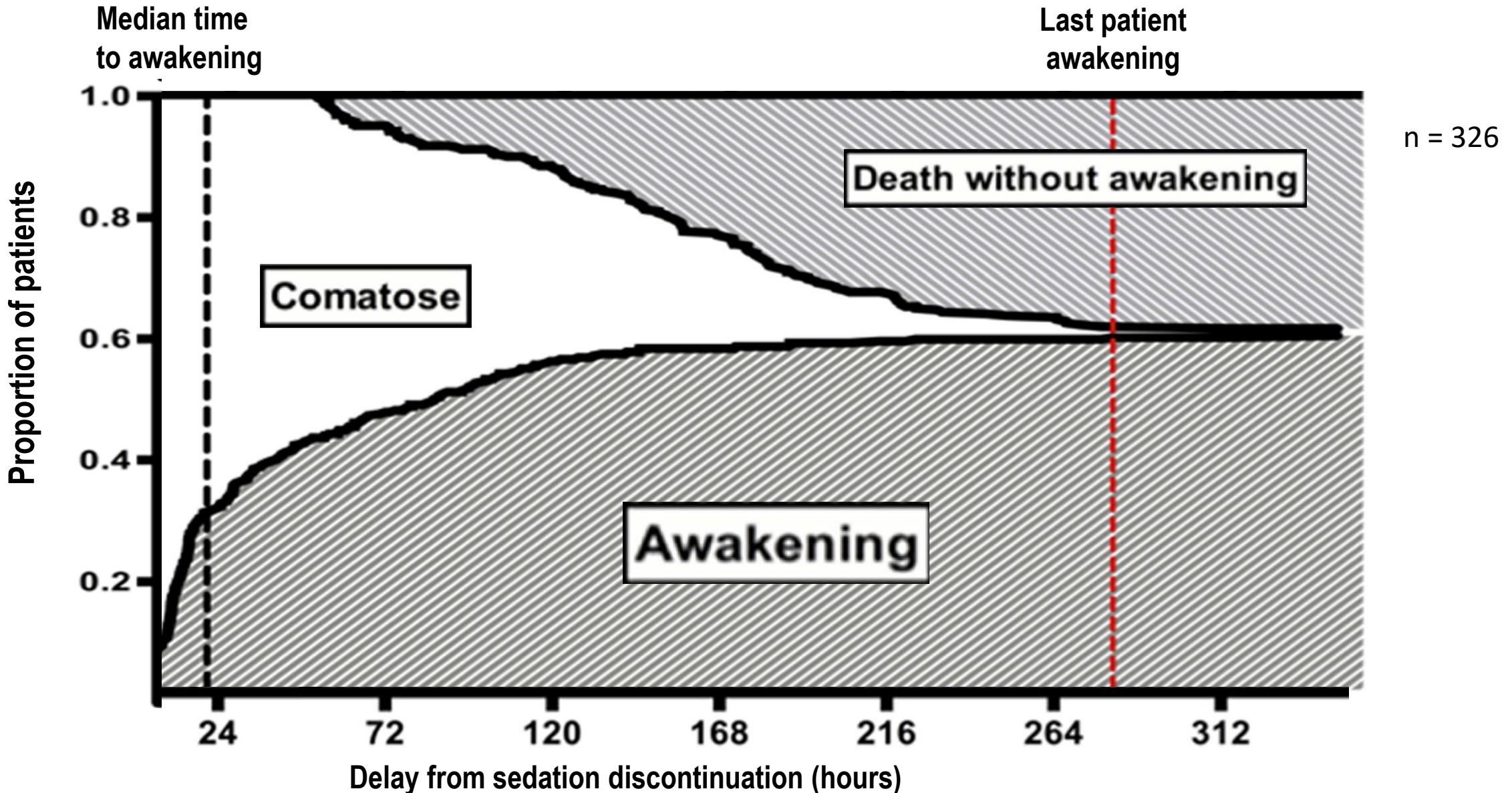


3 reasons for waiting 3 days

1. Cardiovascular instability
2. HIBI develops over time
3. Awakening







We prognosticate in patients who...

- Do not awaken after a reasonable time after ROSC
 - Major confounders must be excluded
- Have signs of severe cerebral damage
 - GCS = 3-4 (M=1-2)



Cardiac arrest

Days
1-2

Controlled temperature

Rewarming

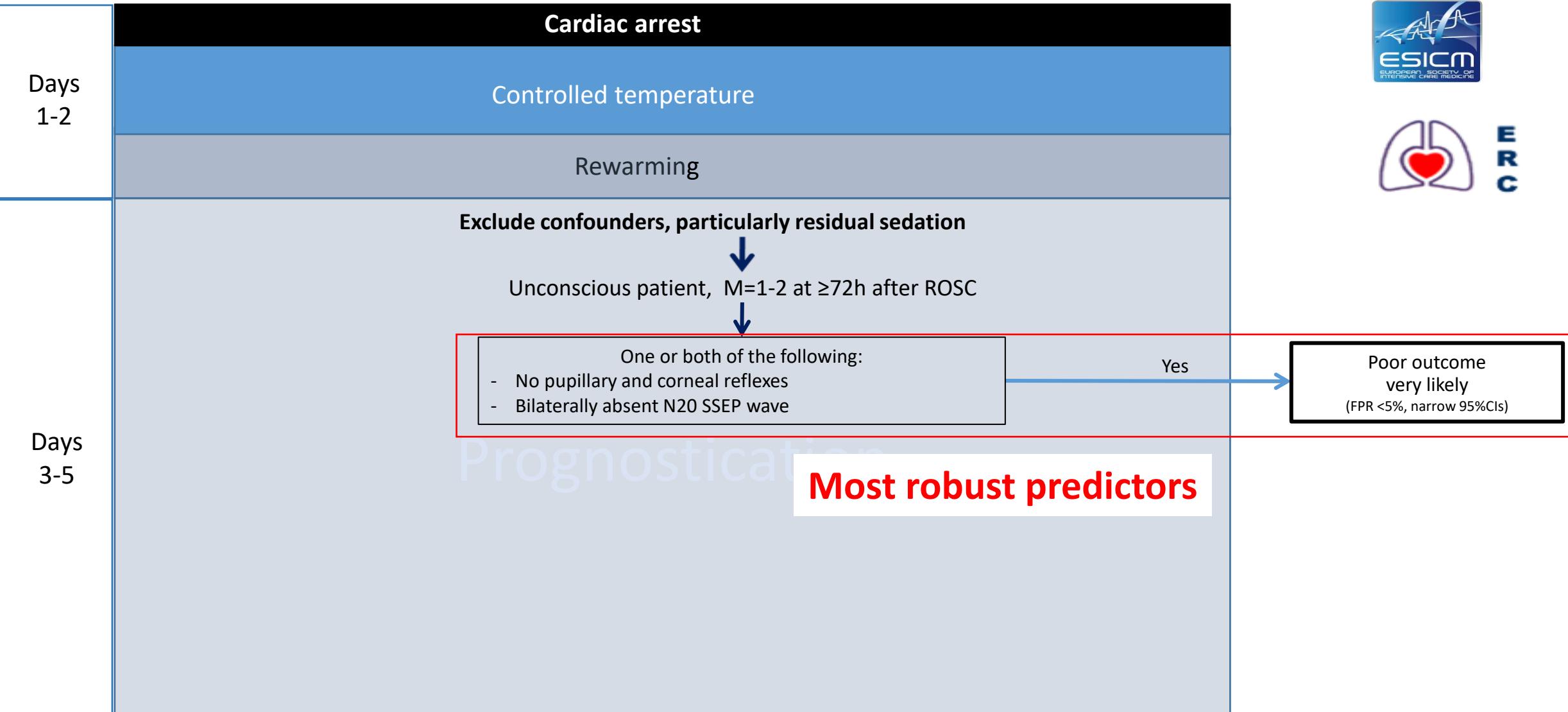
Exclude confounders, particularly residual sedation



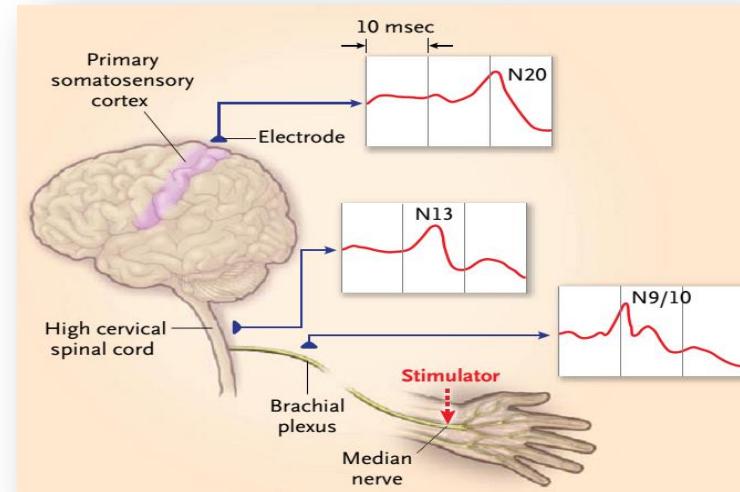
Unconscious patient, M=1-2 at $\geq 72\text{h}$ after ROSC

Days
3-5

Prognostication



Pupillary light response (PLR) and short-latency SSEP at 72 h



- FPR: 0.4 [0-2]%
- Sensitivity: 23 [19-28]%
- Total patients: 546

- FPR: 0.5 [0-3]%
- Sensitivity: 49 [44-54]%
- Total patients: 577

PLR and SSEP: limitations

- Lack of blinding
 - Risk of self-fulfilling prophecy



PLR: limitations

- Lack of standardisation
 - Intensity
 - Duration
 - Distance
 - Environmental light
- Qualitative
 - Interater agreement for reactivity only moderate ($\kappa= 0.40$)



Automated pupillometry

- Standardised
- Quantitative
- Potential for blinded testing

Early Prediction of Coma Recovery after Cardiac Arrest with Blinded Pupillometry

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n = 103

Tool	Criterion	Sensitivity	Specificity
Pupillometry	qPLR <13%	61 (48-75)	100 (93-100)
SSEP	Absent N20	52 (37-67)	100 (92-100)

1-y survivors vs. non-survivors



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Pupillometry	Non-survivors	Survivors	<i>p</i>
Baseline, mm	2.3 (1.4–7.6)	2.2 (1.2–5.3)	0.379
Constriction, %	11 (0–55)	20 (13–41)	<0.001
Constriction velocity, mm/s	0.94 (0.16–4.97)	1.46 (0.85–4.63)	<0.001

Values are expressed as median (range)



Automated pupillometry for coma prognostication after cardiac arrest

(NCT02607878)

- Multicentre (#10)
- Blinded
- Comparison with other predictors
- Manuscript in preparation



PLR and SSEP: limitations

- Lack of blinding
 - Risk of self-fulfilling prophecy
- Low sensitivity
 - 25% PLR, 50% SSEP



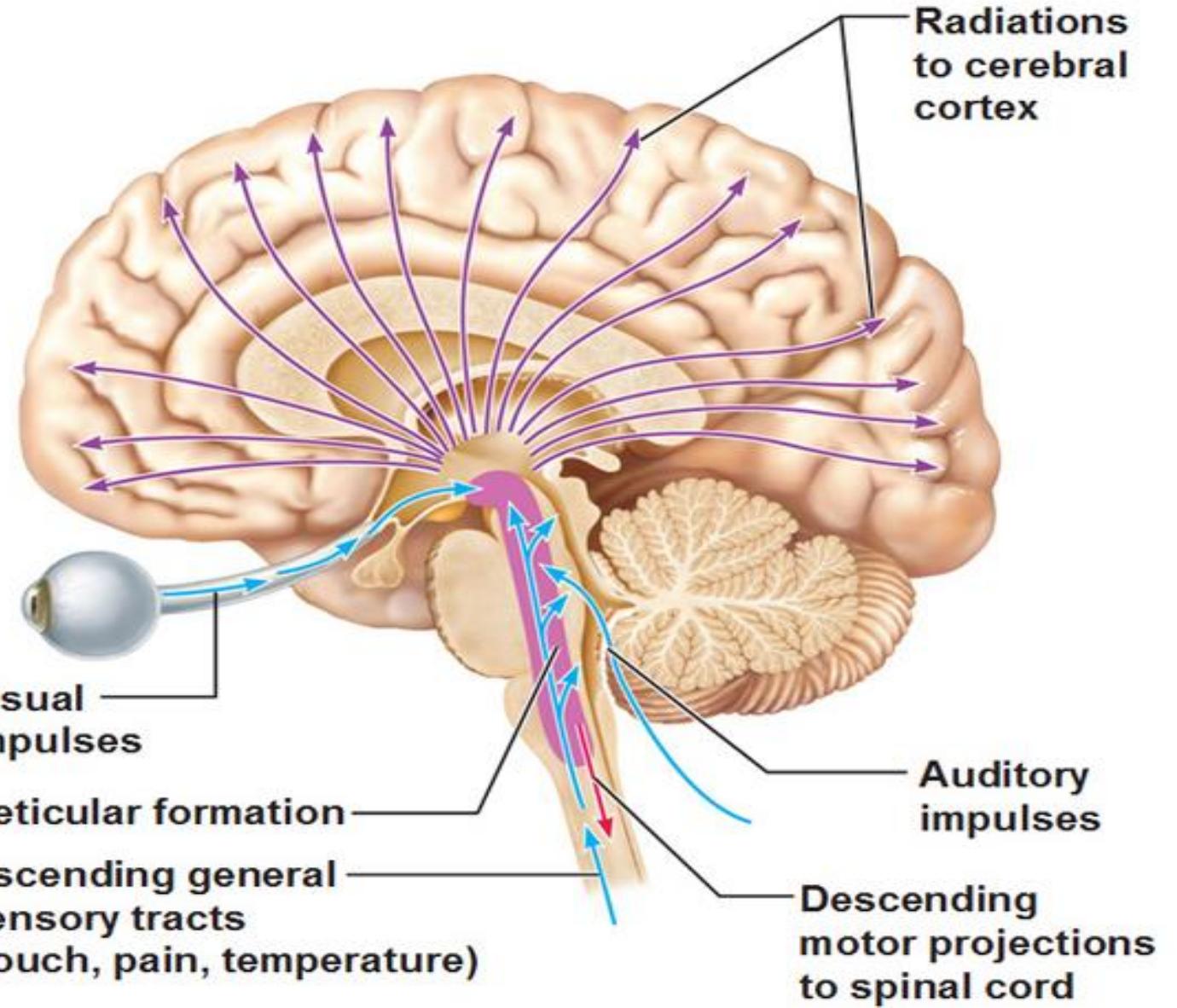
Neural correlates of consciousness

The missing link in neuroprognostication

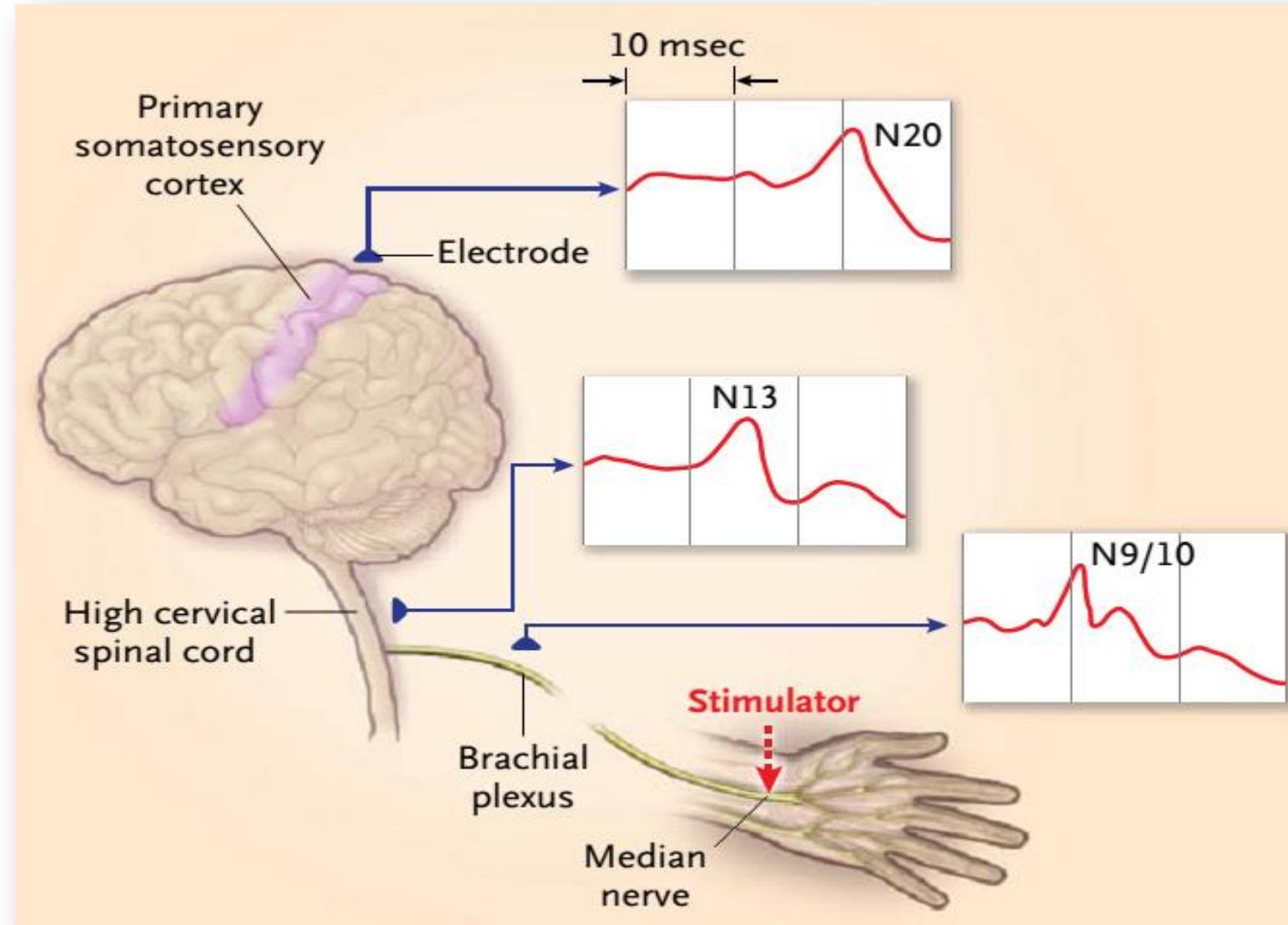
A test for specifically investigating the circuits that maintain consciousness



Reticular activating system



Short-latency SSEP



Karen Ann Quinlan, 1954-1985

- April 15, 1975: OHCA from overdose
- PVS for > 10 years
- Never regained consciousness



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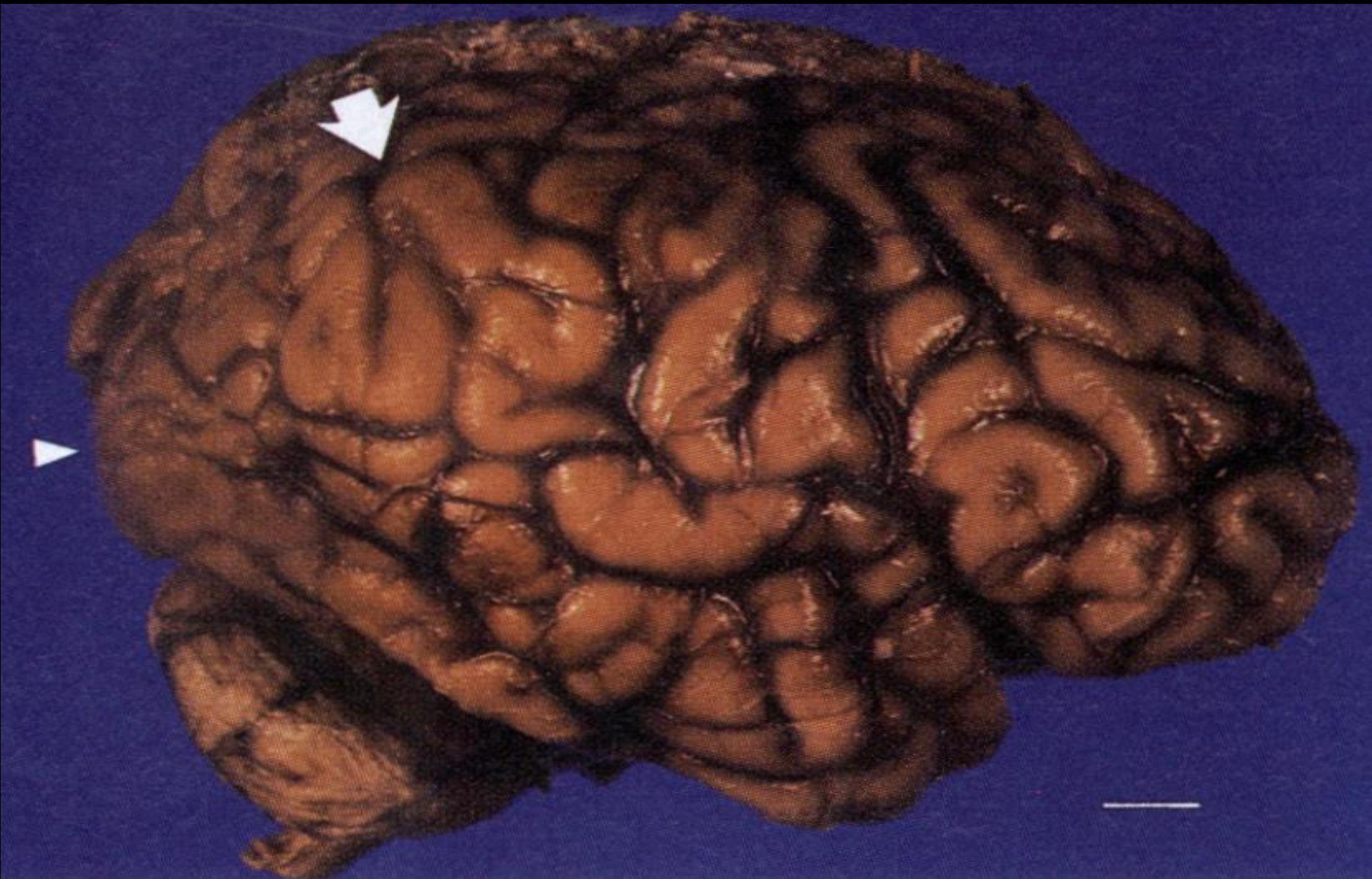
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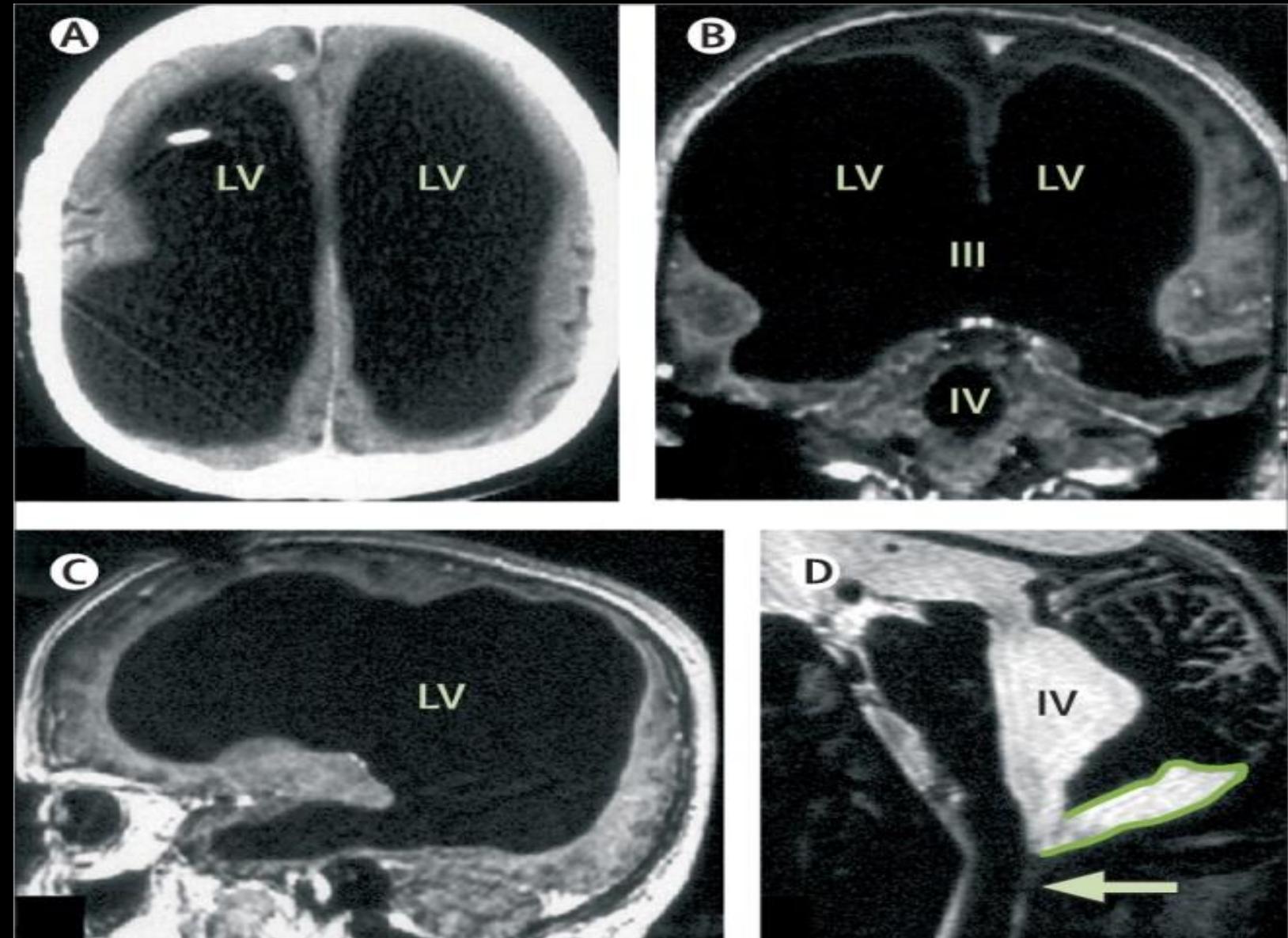
NEUROPATHOLOGICAL FINDINGS IN THE BRAIN OF KAREN ANN QUINLAN

**HANNAH C. KINNEY, M.D., JULIUS KOREIN, M.D., ASHOK PANIGRAHY, B.A., PIETER DIKKES, B.A.,
AND ROBERT GOODE, M.D.**



Massive hydrocephalus

- Male, 44y
- Married
 - Father of 2 children
- White-collar worker

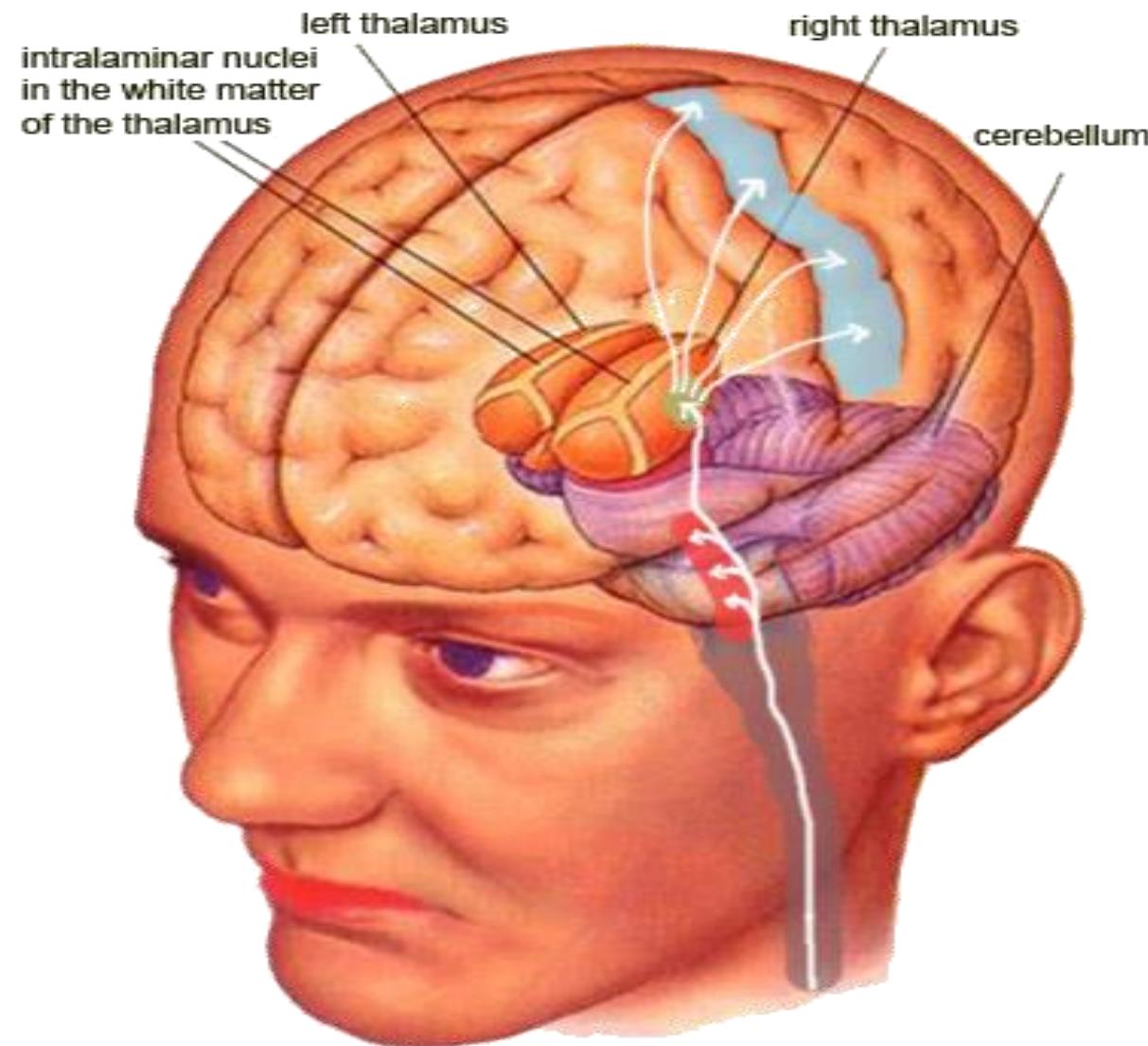




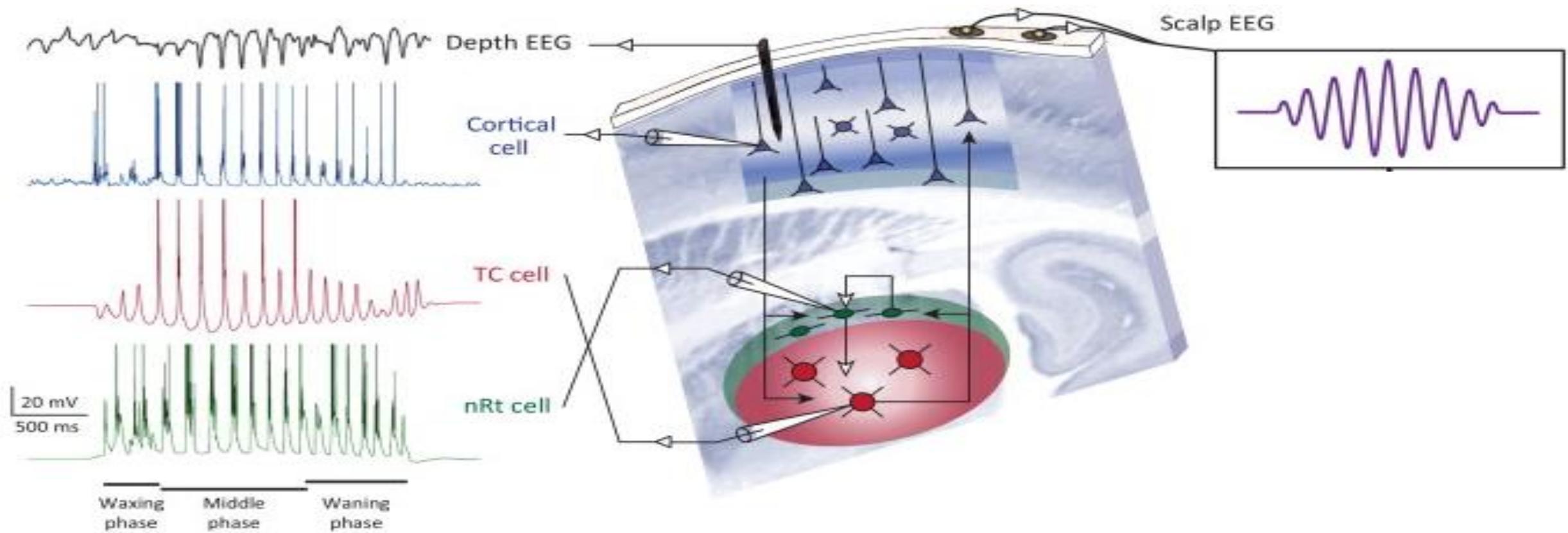
Kinney et al., NEJM 1994; 330:469-75

Is thalamus the key?

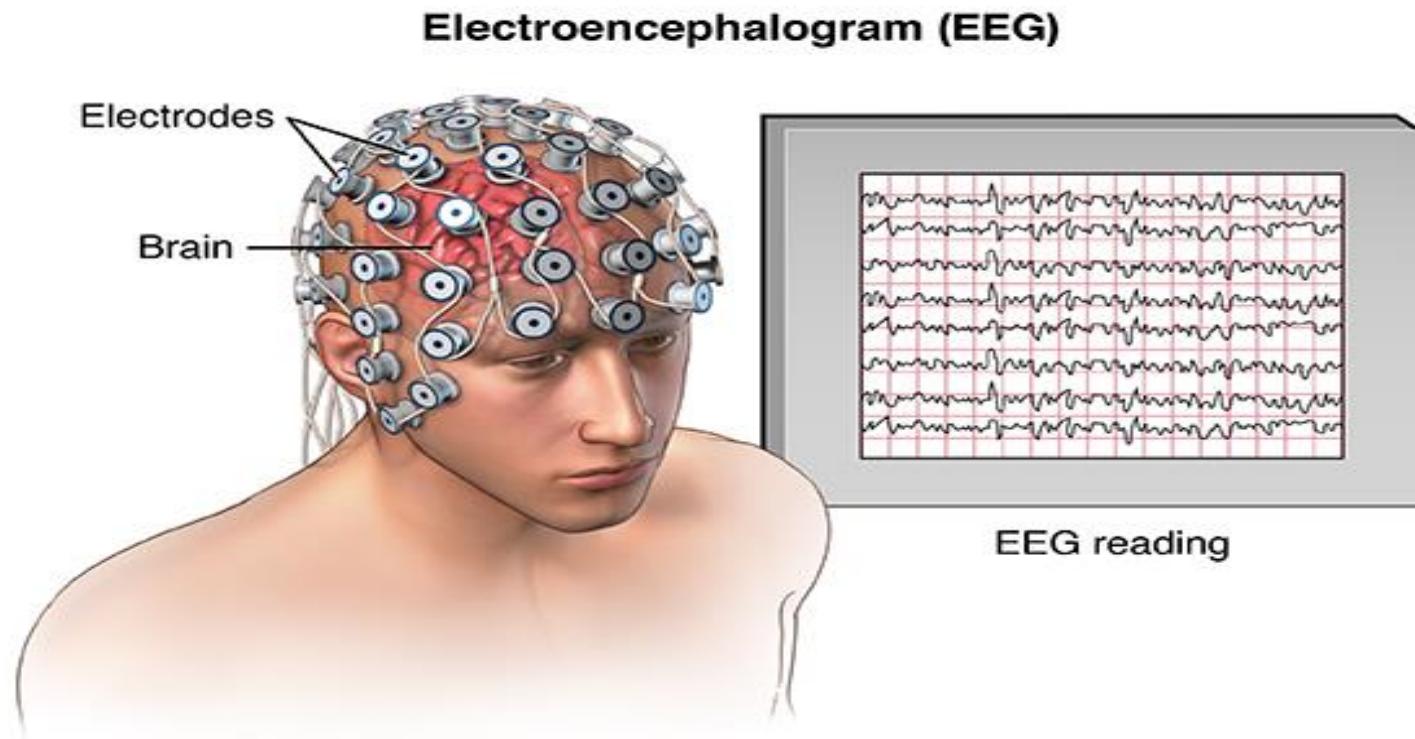
Thalamo-reticular connections

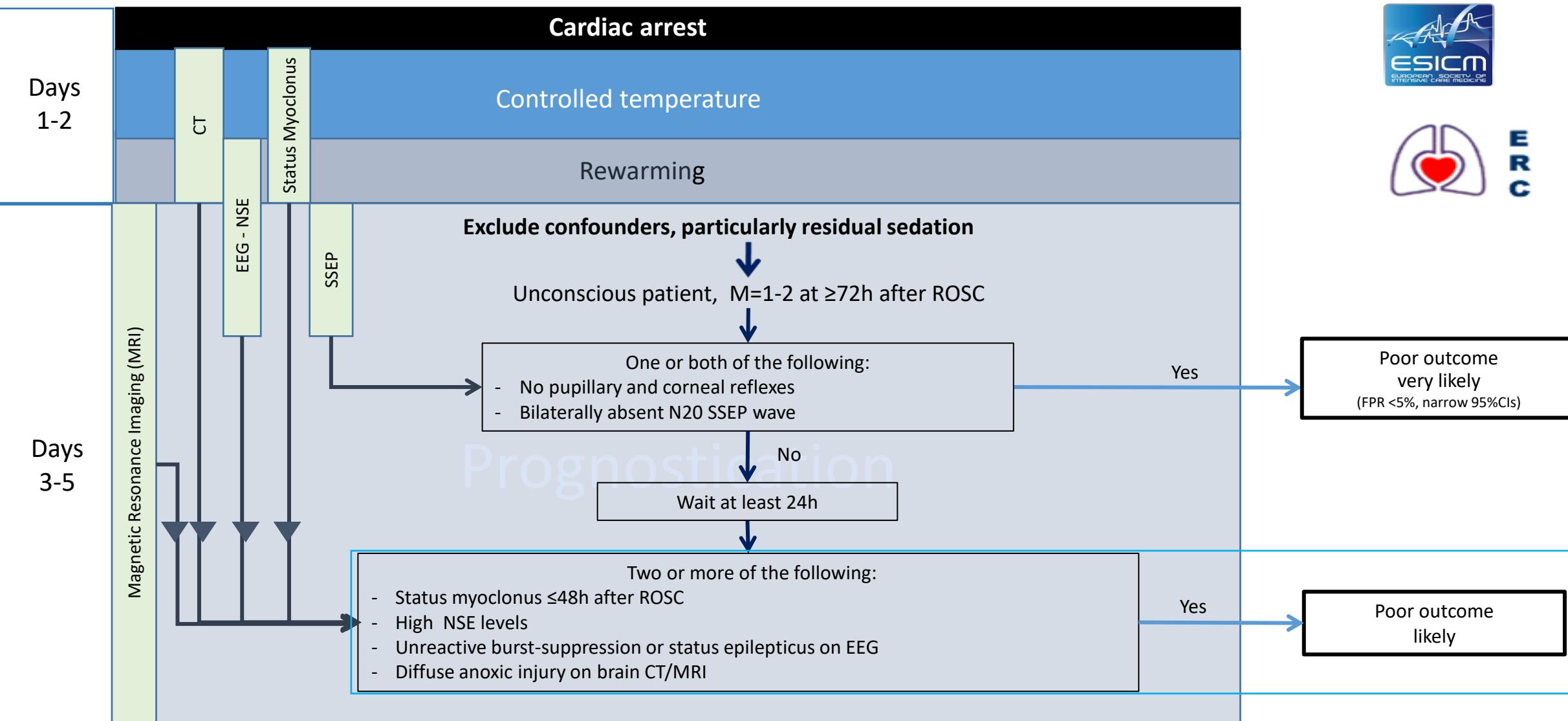


Cortico-thalamic circuits



Electroencephalogram (EEG)





Less robust predictors

Days
1-2

EEG

Days
3-5

Two or more of the following:

- Status myoclonus ≤48h after ROSC
- High NSE levels
- **Unreactive burst-suppression or status epilepticus on EEG**
- Diffuse anoxic injury on brain CT/MRI

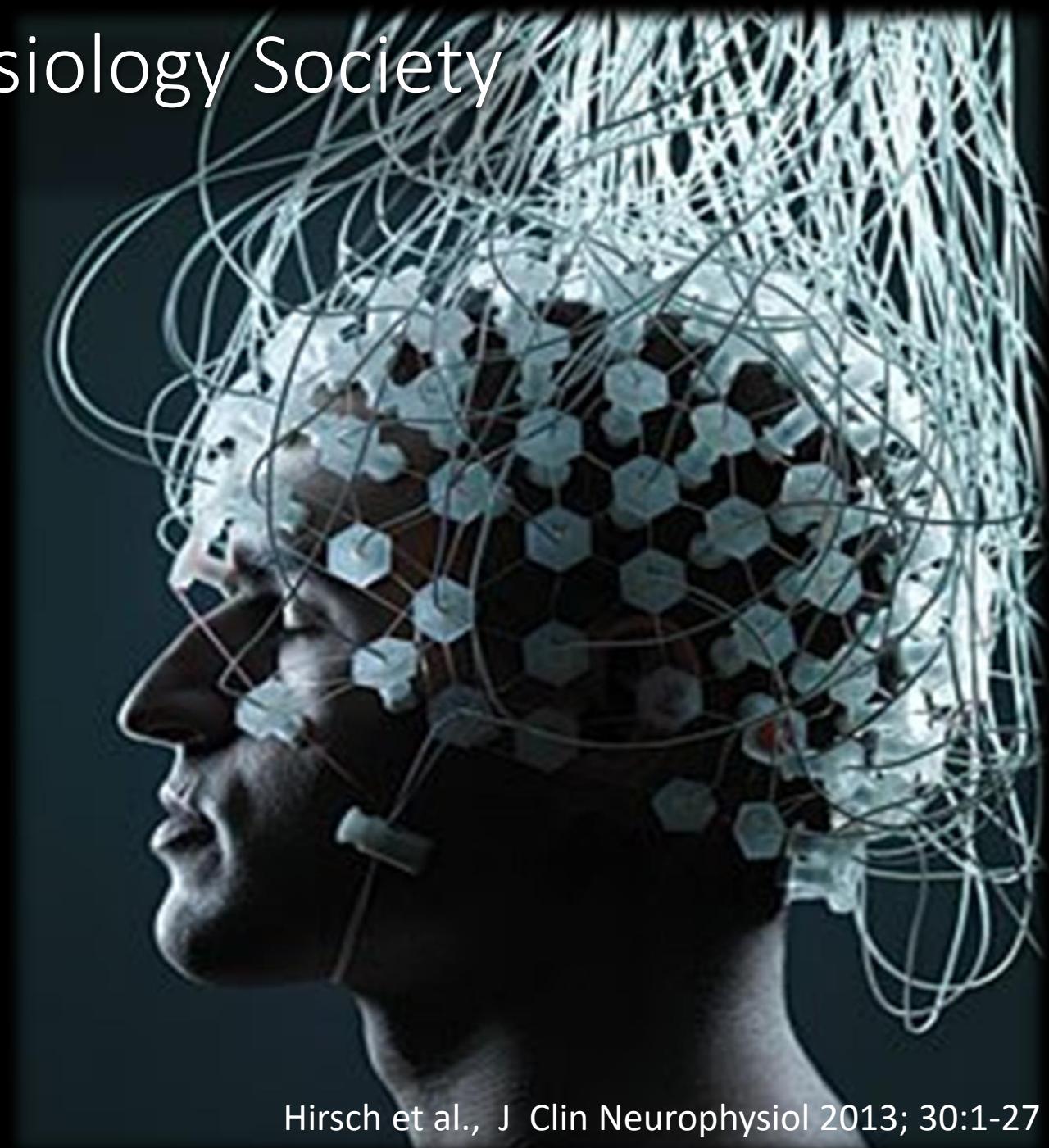
Prognostication

American Clinical Neurophysiology Society (ACNS) terminology

For use in Critical Care

Standard definitions:

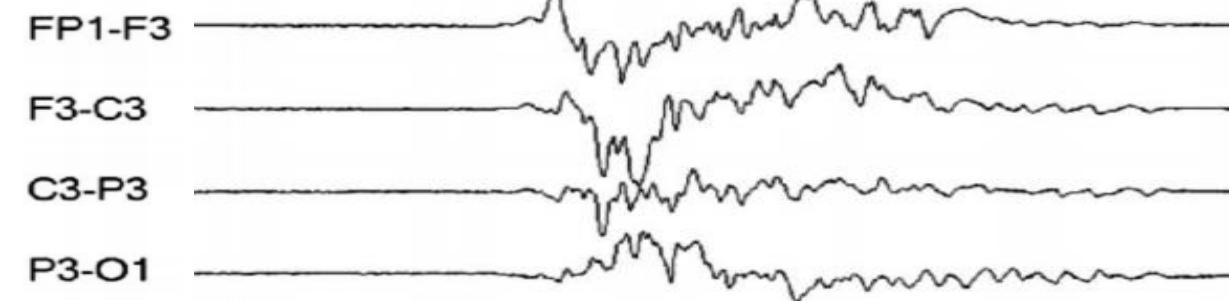
- Voltage
- Burst-suppression
- Epileptiform discharges



Highly malignant EEG patterns in HIBI



Suppressed background
± periodic discharges



Burst-suppression

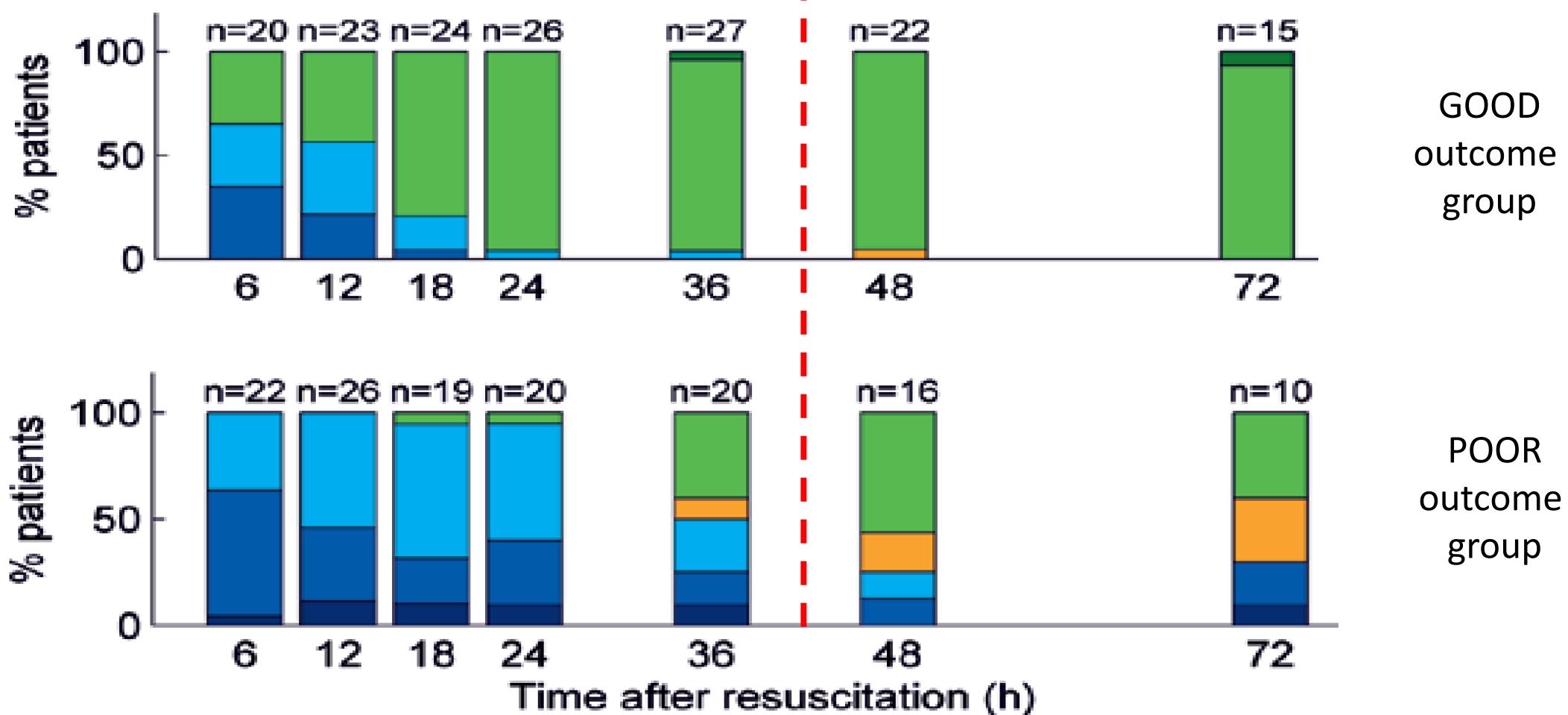
- N = 103 patients with HIBI
- ACNS definitions
- Substantial interrater agreement ($\kappa = 0.71$) among four specialists



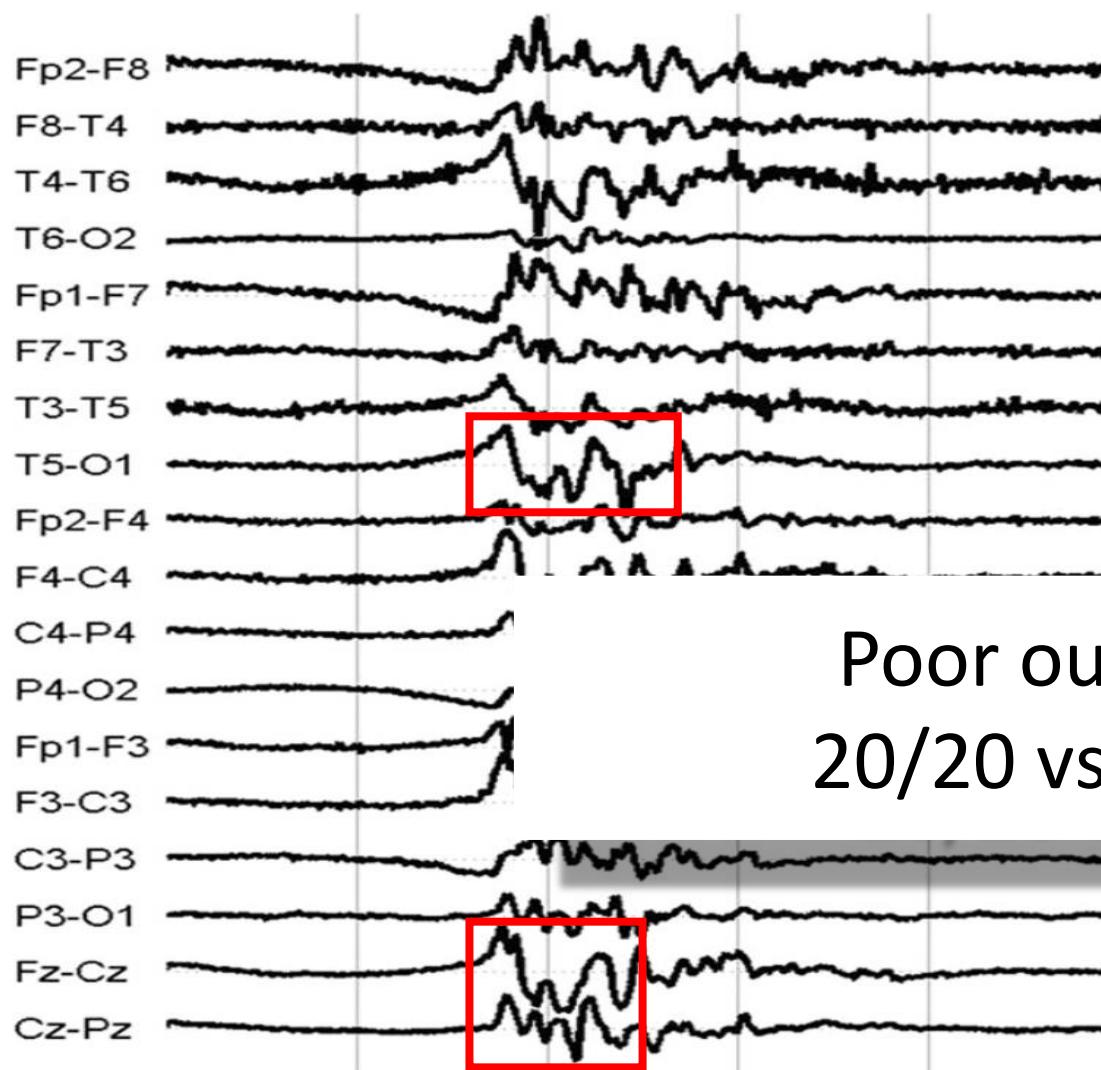
Highly malignant EEG @ 24-72h

Author	n	Timing (h)	Sensitivity	Specificity
Sivaraju 2015	124	24	83 (72-90)	100 (96-100)
Rossetti 2017	367	24-48	69 (61-75)	99 (96- 100)
Westhall 2016	103	48-72	50 (39-61)	100 (91-100)
TOTAL	584		67 (61-72)	99 (97-100)

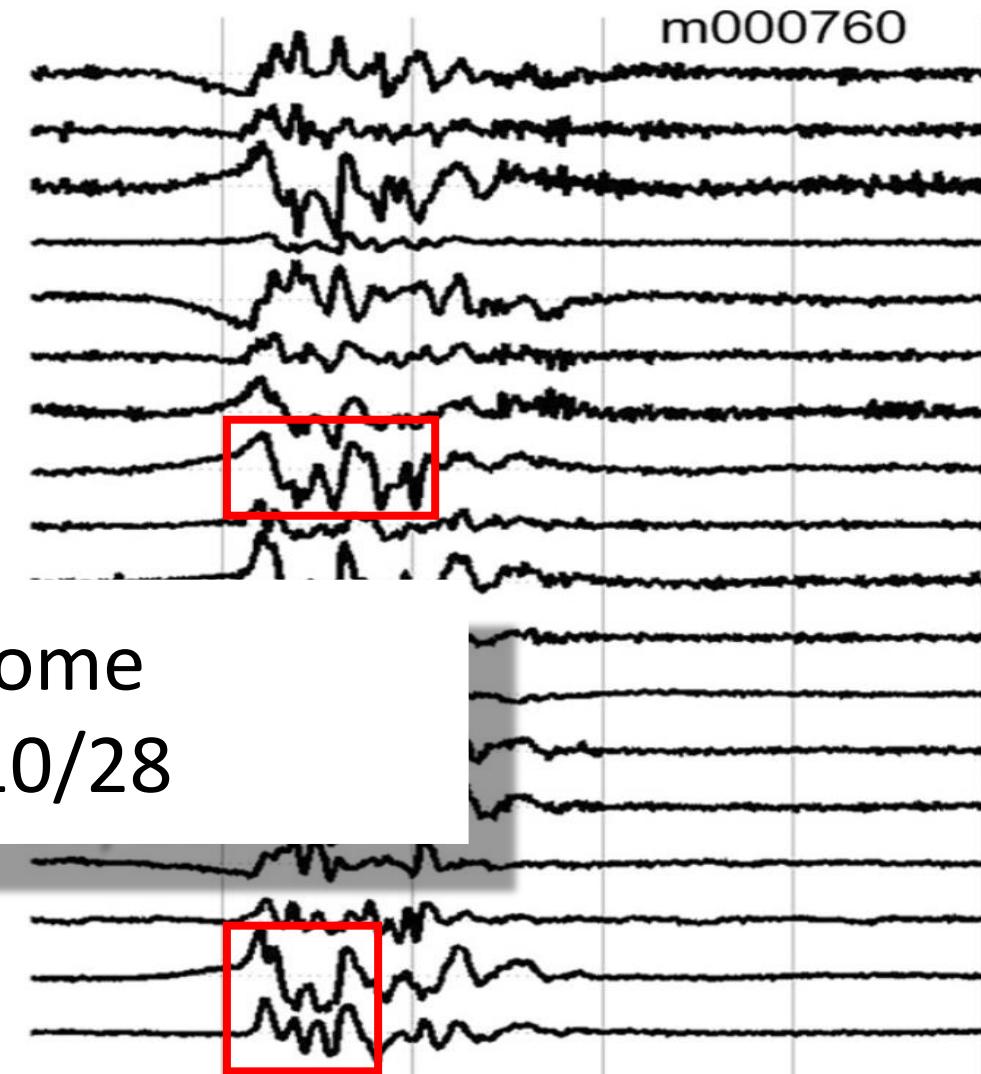
Can EEG predict earlier?



Identical bursts at 12-36h



Poor outcome
20/20 vs. 10/28



EEG

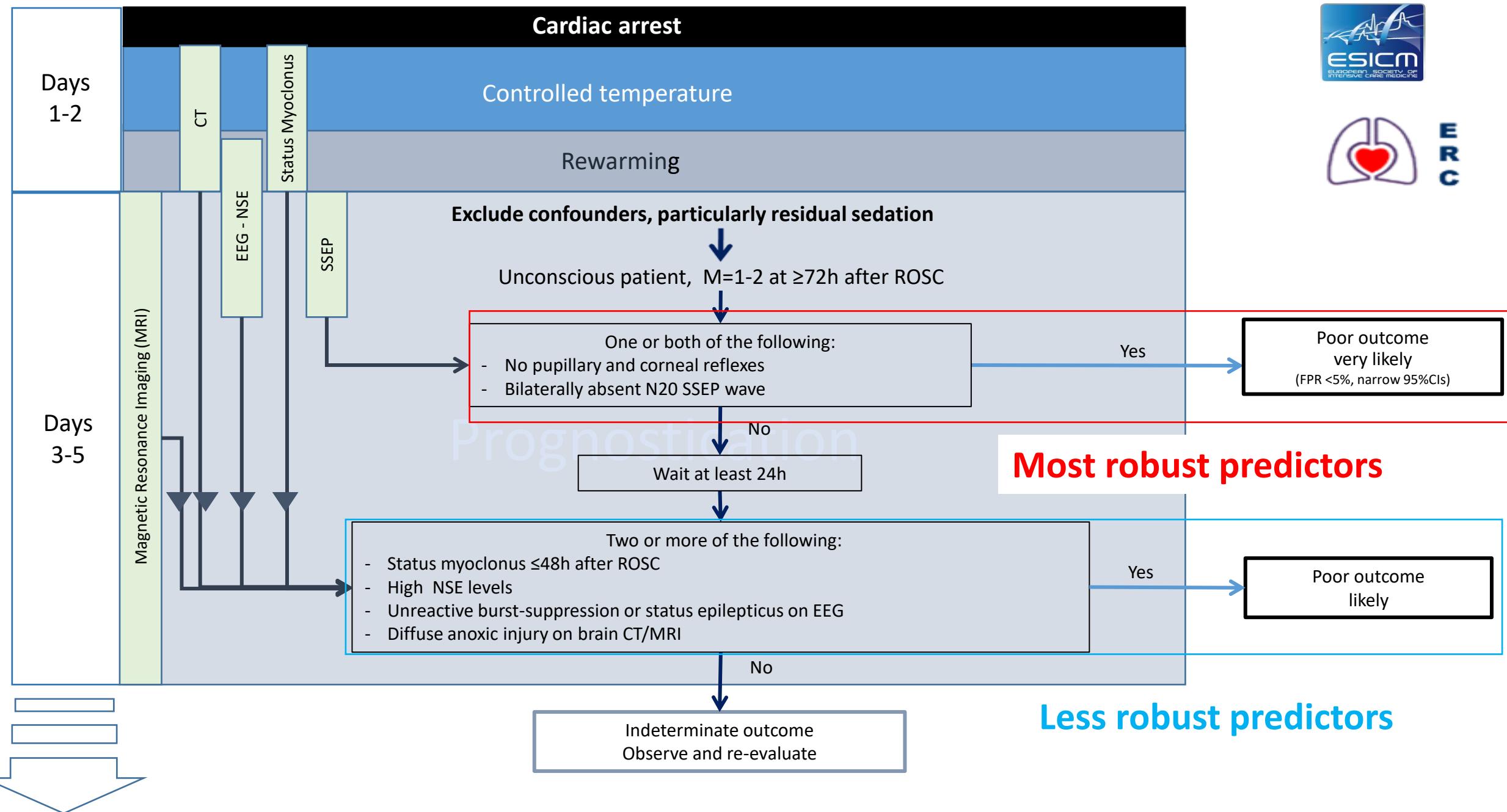
- Functional
- Standardised
- Available at bedside



Malignant EEG patterns

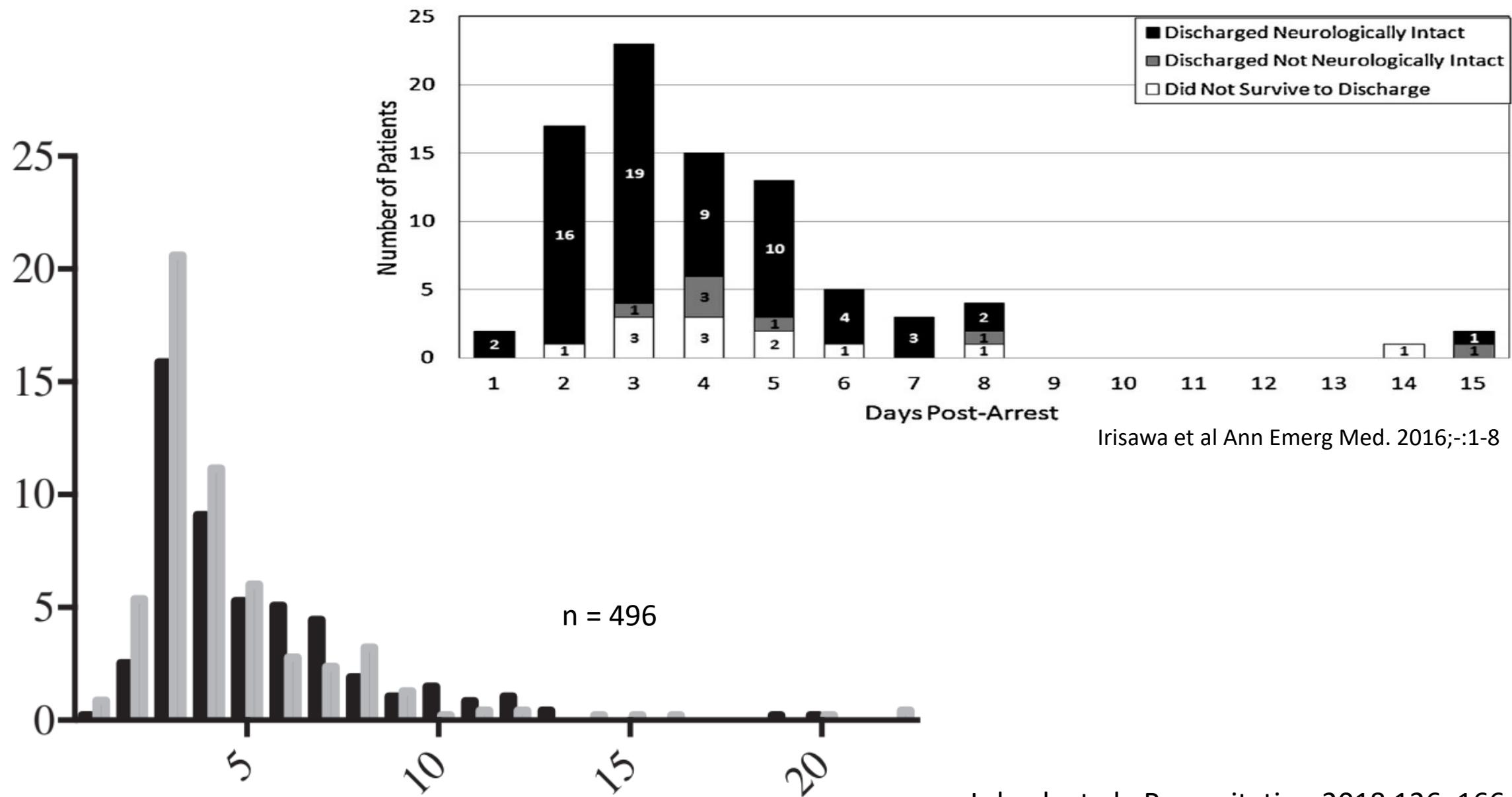
- Need a specialist for their interpretation
- Time-dependent
- Continuous recording probably better



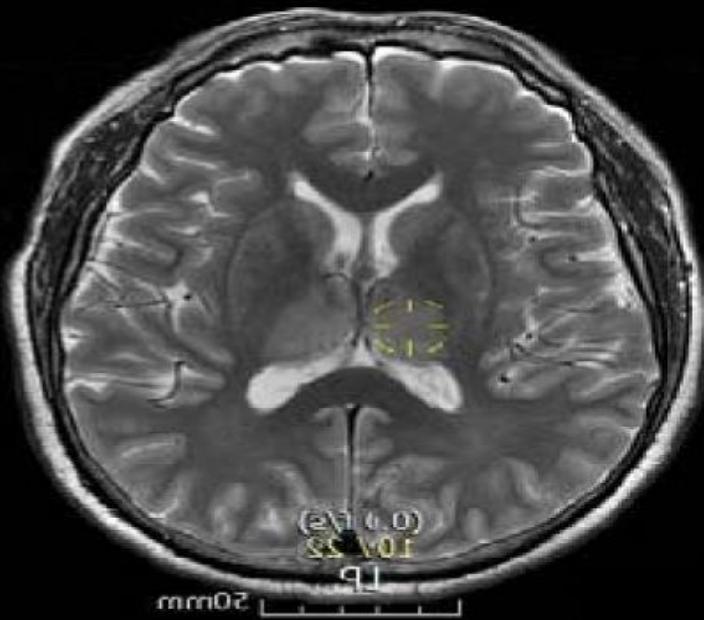


Late awakers

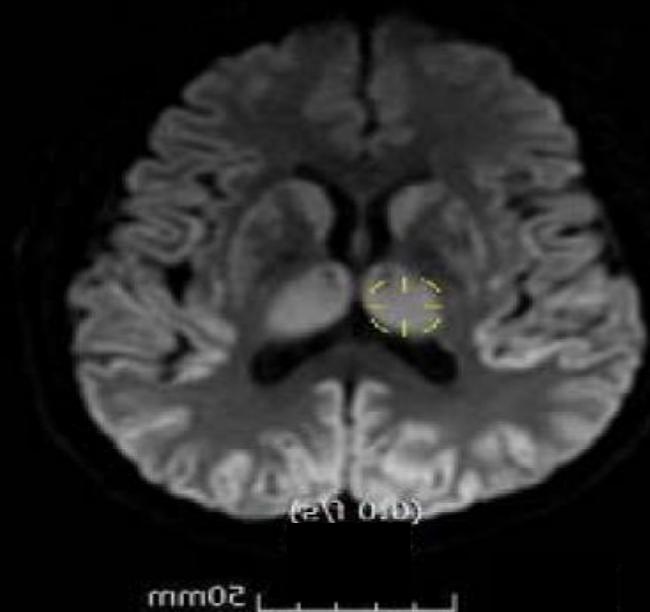
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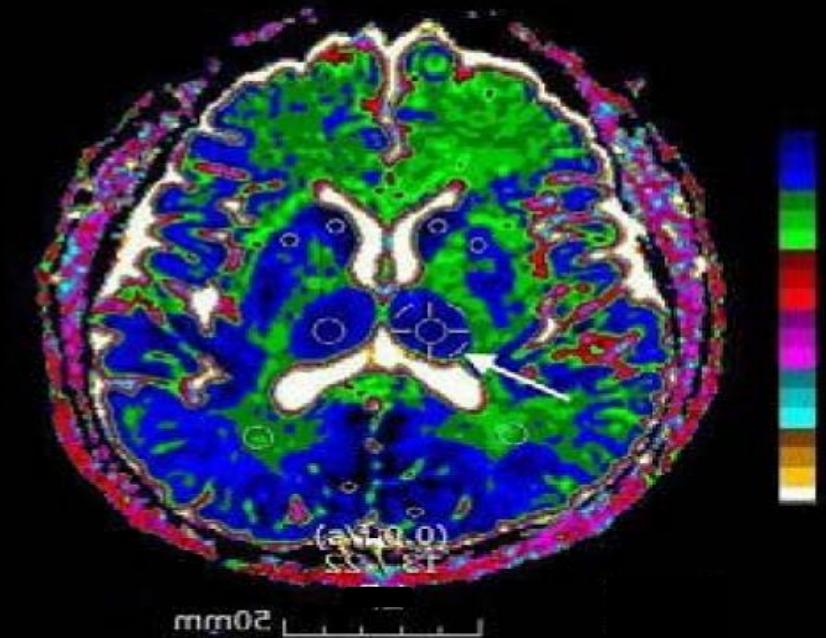
MRI signs of HIBI



T2W

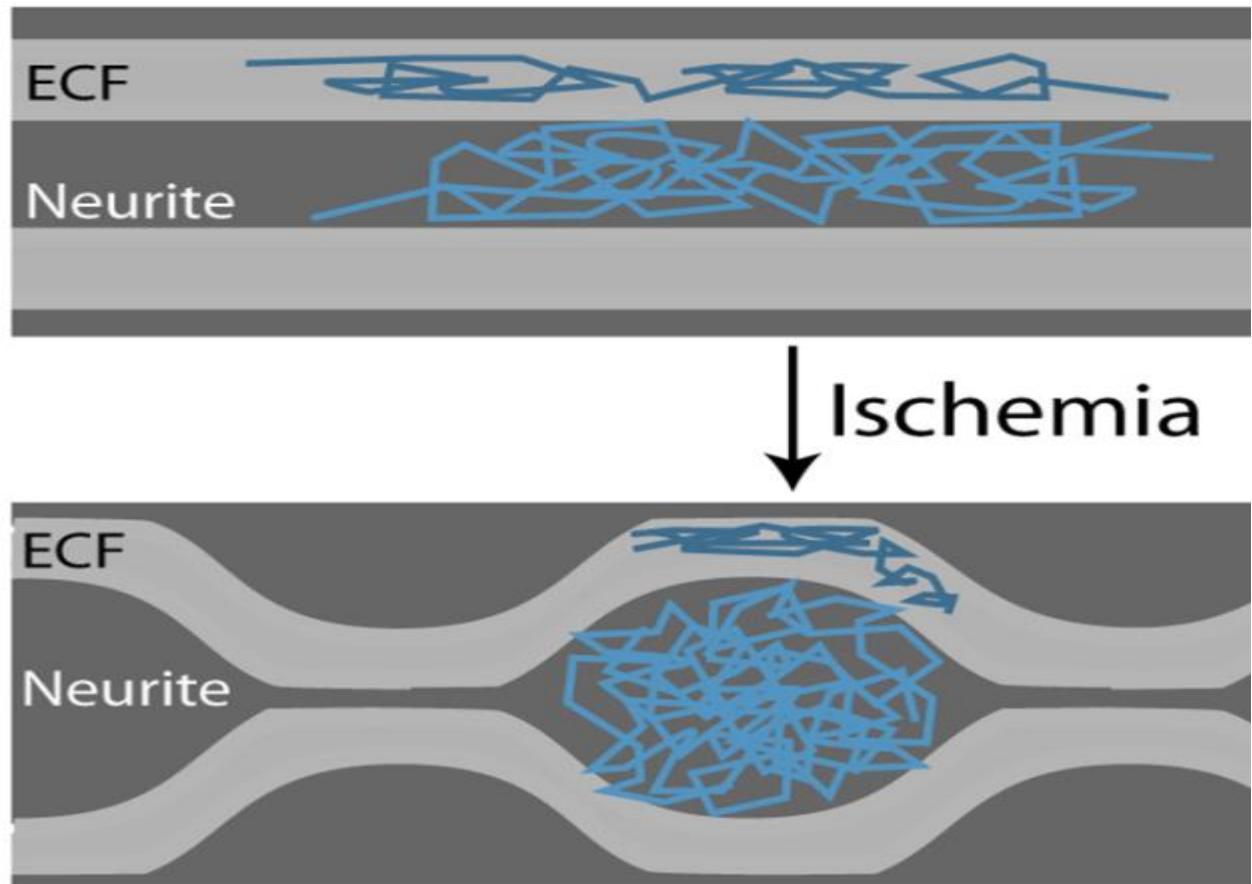
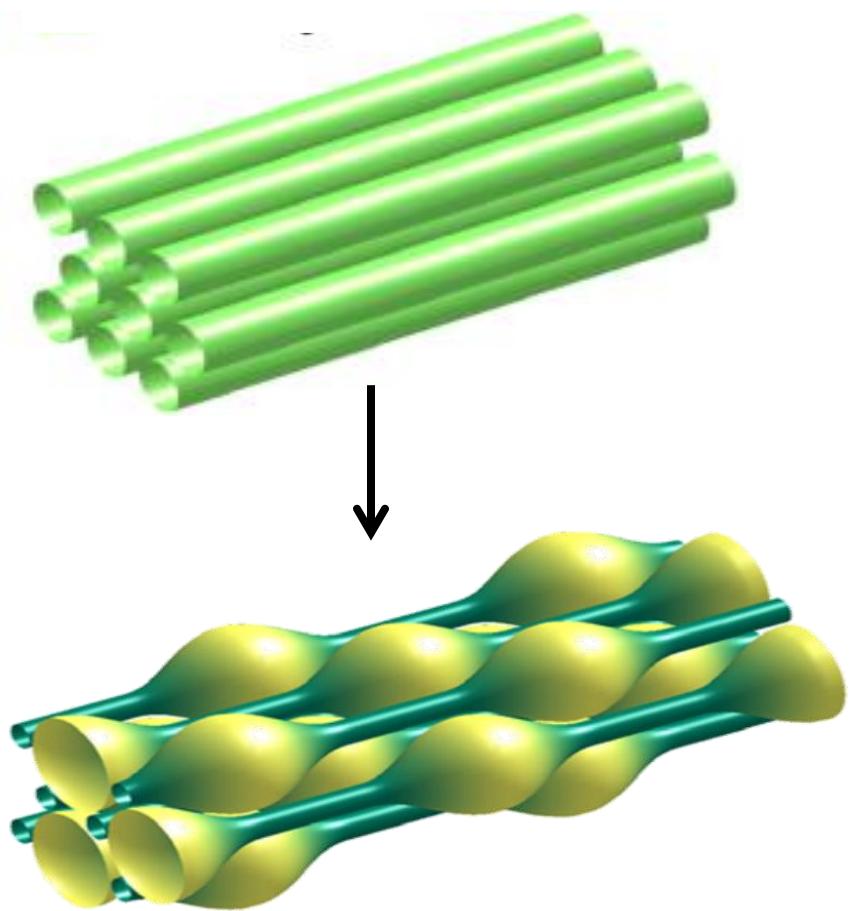


DWI



ADC

Axon beading



Delayed Neurological Deterioration After Anoxia

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It is widely recognized that anoxia produces acute neurological deficits, but many are unaware that severe neurological reactions may sometimes be delayed for days or weeks after anoxic exposure. Between the original anoxic coma and the relapse, intellectual and neurological recovery may seem complete, providing no hint that potentially fatal cerebral reactions have been initiated. The problem is not rare; 10 cases

temporal, and occipital lobes as well as from hippocampus, midbrain, pons, cerebellum, and medulla. Sections were also taken from basal ganglia, thalamus, and the frontal centrum semiovale. Frozen sections were stained for fat; other sections were blocked in paraffin or celloidin and stained for general architecture (hematoxylin and eosin), cellular morphology (Nissl), myelin (Weil or luxol fast blue), axis cylinders (Bodian), and glial fibers (Holzer).

Report of Cases

Subacute CNS degeneration after HIBI

- It continues for weeks and months after CA
- It involves mainly the white matter
- It can be detected *in vivo* using MRI with fractional anisotropy

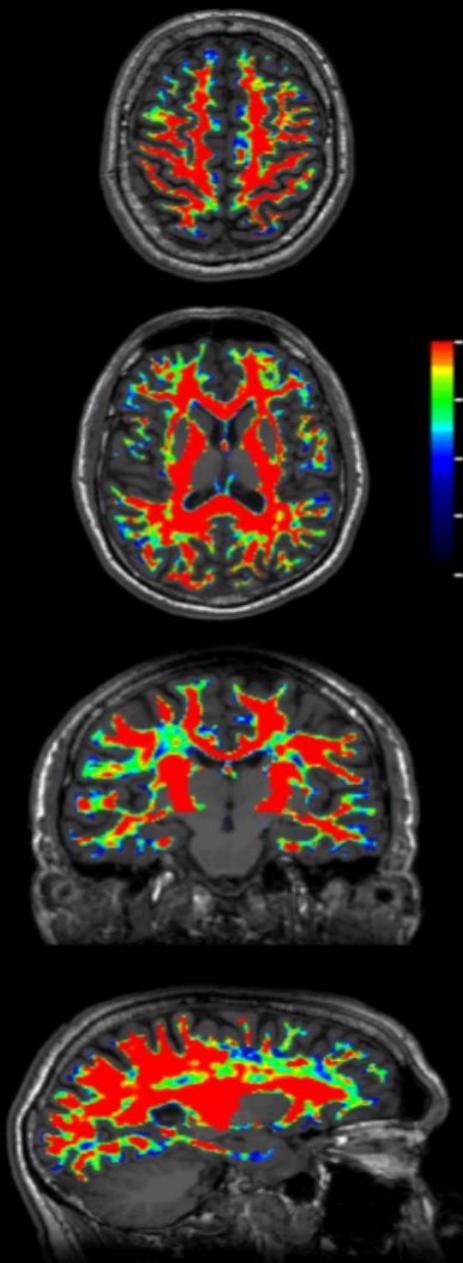


Is white matter the key?

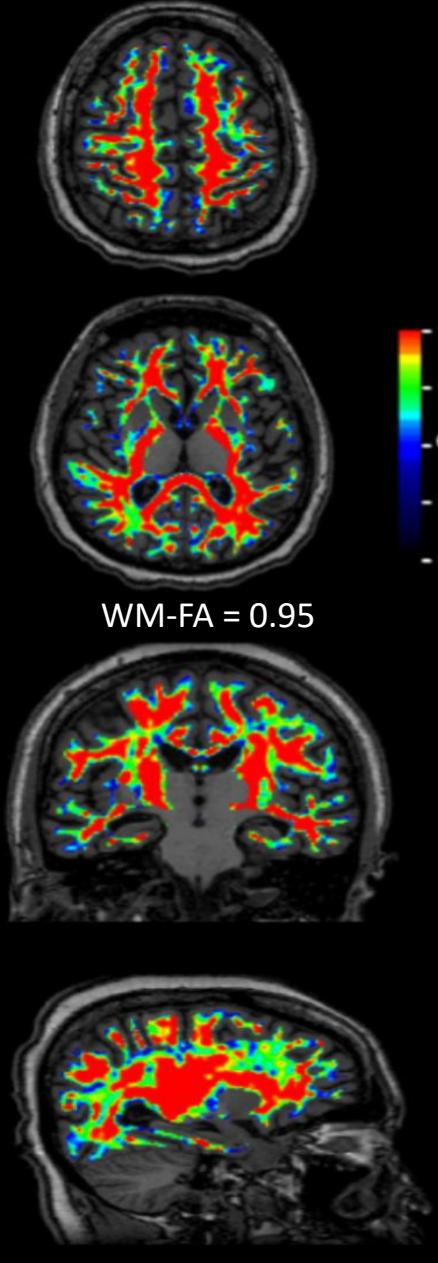
Use of brain diffusion tensor imaging for the prediction of long-term neurological outcomes in patients after cardiac arrest: a multicentre, international, prospective, observational, cohort study

- Post-CA patients (n=150) in a coma >7 days
- MRI (fractional anisotropy) performed @ 7-28 days (median 13)
- Primary outcome best CPC at 6 months



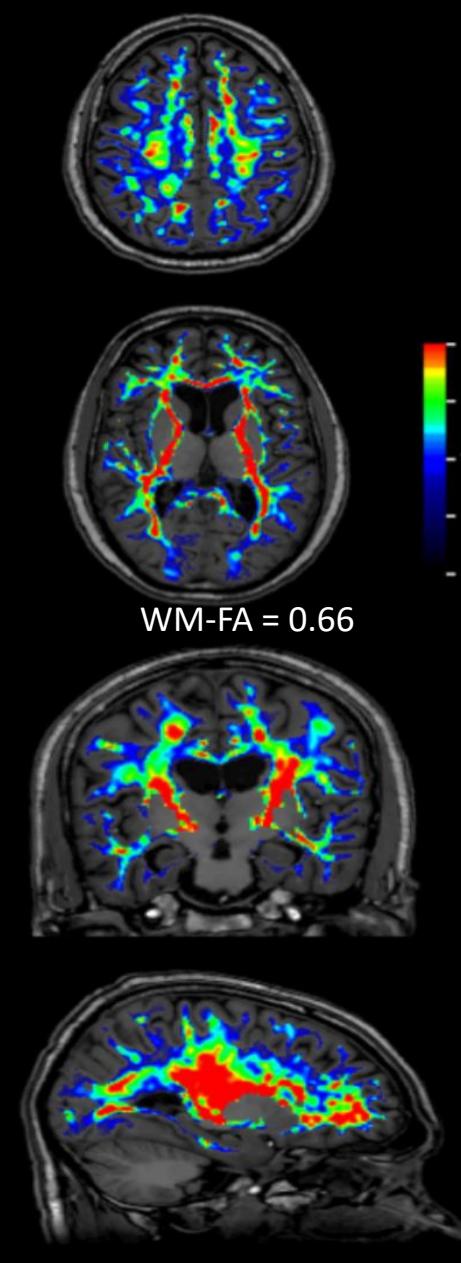


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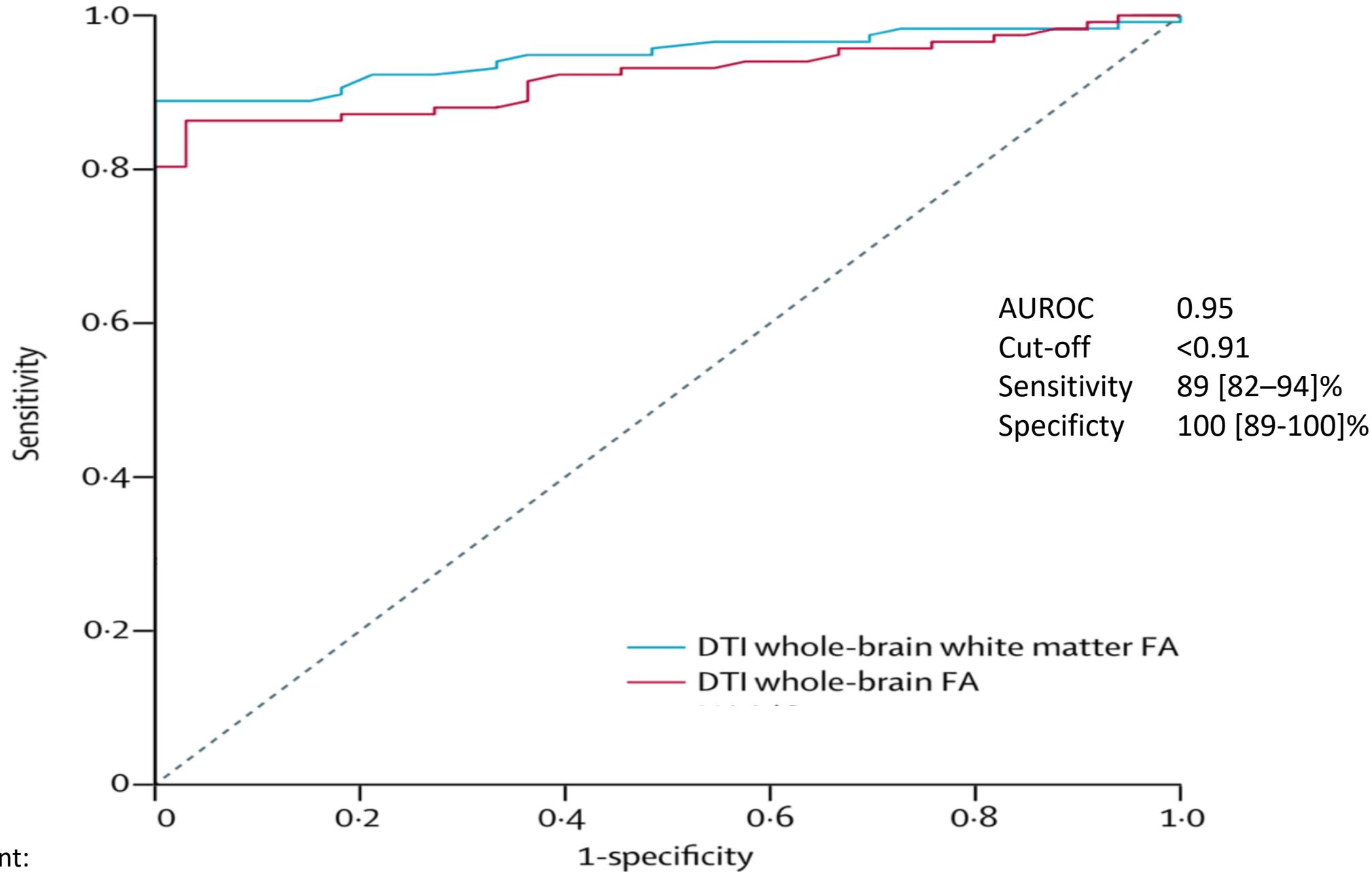
Moderately disabled

WM-FA = 0.95



Vegetative

WM-FA = 0.66



Conclusions (1)

- Most resuscitated patients die of HIBI
- Prognostication should assess the severity of HIBI
- It is a time-dependent process



Conclusions (2)

- The neural correlates of consciousness are incompletely understood
- The correlation between HIBI, unconsciousness, and prognostic indices are incompletely understood



Conclusions (3)

- Standardisation is now available for important predictors such as PLR and EEG
 - ↑ Consistency, reproducibility, robustness
- Subacute/chronic phase of HIBI deserves investigation
 - White matter most involved
 - Long-term and functional outcomes





“Resuscitation
should be
looked upon as a
neurologic
science.”



Thank you for your attention

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