

MODULE 1





Overview and Latest Research on Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrest

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Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrest in U.S.

- 236 000 to 325 000 people in the United States each year
 - 600-1000 Americans will suffer OOHCA today
 - 20+ during this talk
- 3rd leading cause of death
- High morbidity and mortality
 - ~80% die before hospital admission

Epidemiology

EMS – treated cardiac arrest

Age 67 (IQ 53 – 79)

Female 36%

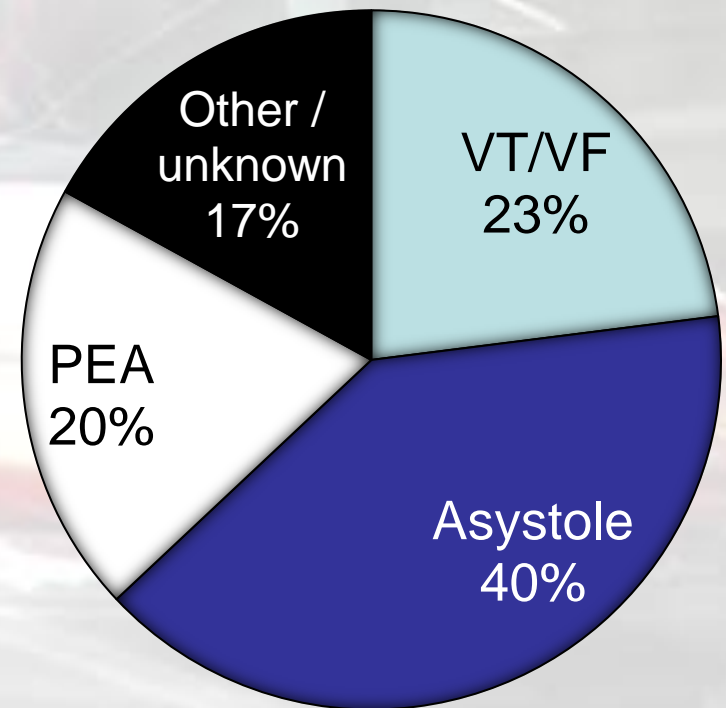
Location

Home 82%

Public 16%

Other 2%

Initial rhythm





Causes of cardiac arrest in patients with cardiac disease (~ 60%)

- Ischemic cardiac disease
- Non-atherosclerotic disease of coronary arteries
- Cardiomyopathies
- Valvular heart disease
- Infiltrative and inflammatory myocardial disease
- Congenital heart disease
- Primary electrical abnormalities



Causes of cardiac arrest in patients without cardiac disease (~40%)



- Trauma
- Bleeding
- Pulmonary embolism
- Suicide / drug overdose
- Lung disease
- Suffocation
- Drowning
- Malignancy
- SIDS

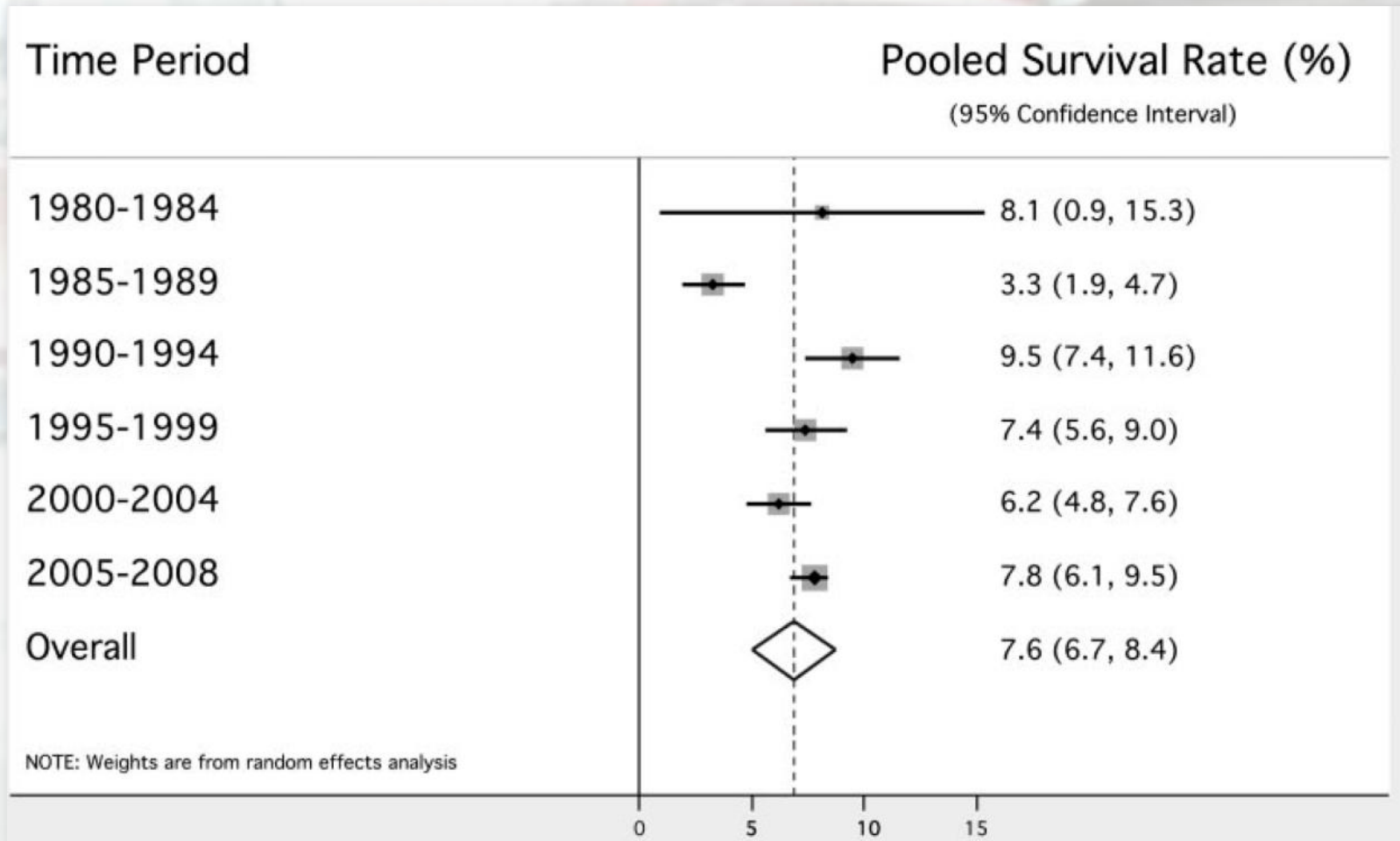
Epidemiology

Autopsy – witnessed arrest, Nottingham UK

	VF	Other (Asystole, PEA)
Previous MI	53%	45%
CAD		
None - mild	7%	5%
1 Vessel	13%	10%
2 Vessel	23%	15%
3 Vessel	37%	41%
Thrombosis	31%	30%
LVH	53%	54%

OHCA survival to hospital discharge by 5-year time periods n = 141,581

Overall 7.6%





Cardiac Arrest in North Carolina:

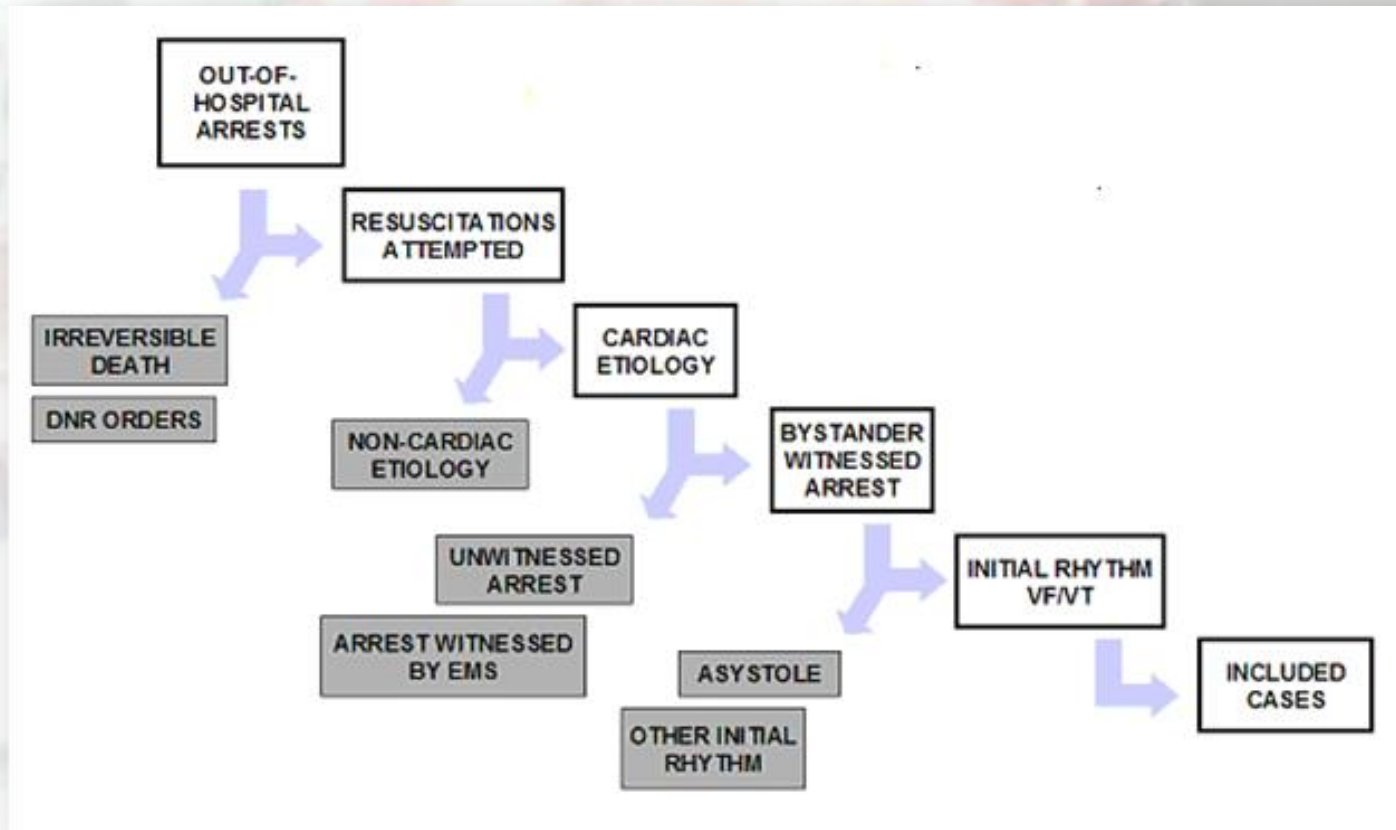
~ 5,000 – 8,000 per year

NC Office of EMS Preliminary data

Statewide Cardiac Arrests:		5,213
EMS Return of Spontaneous Circulation:	35%	1,845
Arrived at Emergency Department Alive:	20%	1,034
Admitted to Hospital Alive:	11%	589
D/C from Hospital Alive :not available...	likely under 5%	

Survival

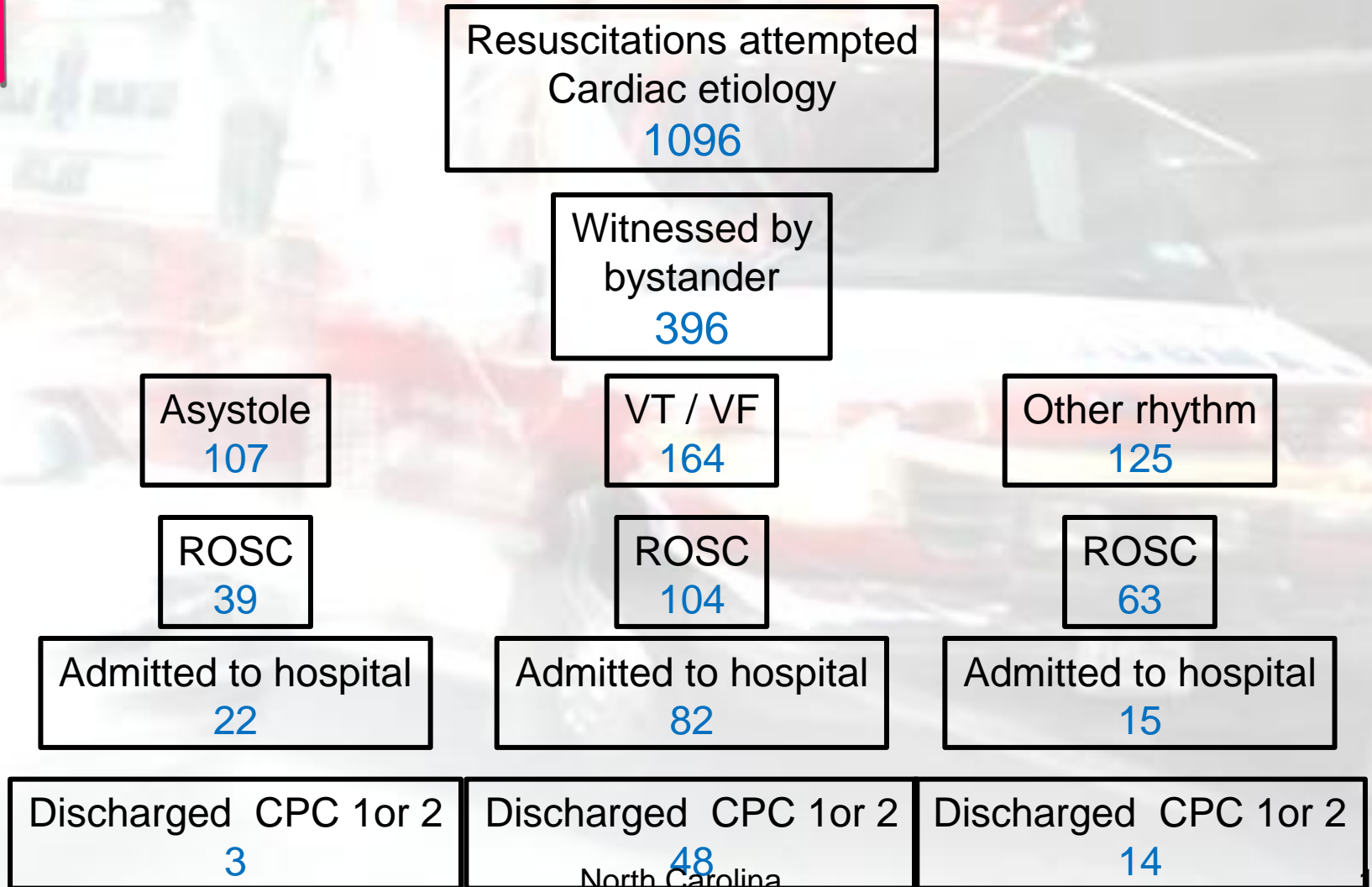
Utstein style reporting



*“witnessed cardiac arrest due to presumed underlying heart disease
with the initial rhythm of ventricular fibrillation”*

Survival

CARES Registry 2010 3 leading NC metro EMS agencies



Survival

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3 leading NC metro EMS agencies

Bystander Intervention (924)

AED %: 1.3% (12)

CPR %: 23.5% (217)

Cardiac Etiology Survival Rates

Overall:	11.8% (1096)
Bystander Wit'd:	18.7% (396)
Utstein:	31.7% (164)
Utstein Bystander:	28.7% (80)
EMS Witnessed:	19.8% (172)
Unwitnessed:	4.0% (528)
Shockable/Bystander:	41.4% (396)

North Carolina

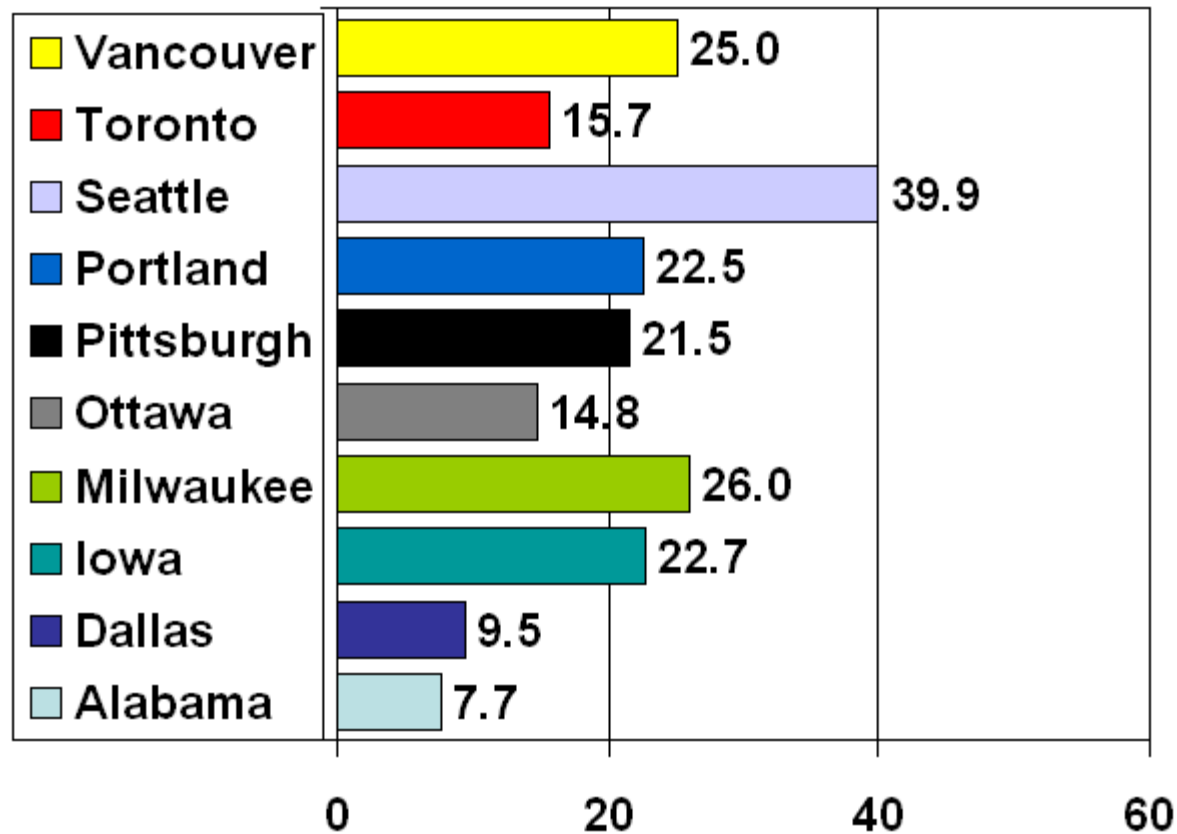
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Variation in survival VF arrest

Resuscitations Outcomes Consortium

Witnessed Utstein

Survival to discharge





Who survives



Amy Jones

- 37 year old woman
- 9 months pregnant, 2 days to due date
- Husband noted agonal breathing, cyanosis, called 911, started CPR
- Fire department arrived 7 minutes later
- AED, regained weak pulse after 3rd shock





Amy Jones

- Two more shocks for ventricular arrhythmias in transport
- C-section, baby Elizabeth delivered
- Hypothermia x 24 hours per protocol
- Discharged day 10
- Slowly regained “mid-term memory”



Amy Jones

Elements of success

- Witnessed
- Recognition, 911
- Medical dispatch
- Bystander CPR
- 1st responder AED
- Hypothermia protocol



Who survives

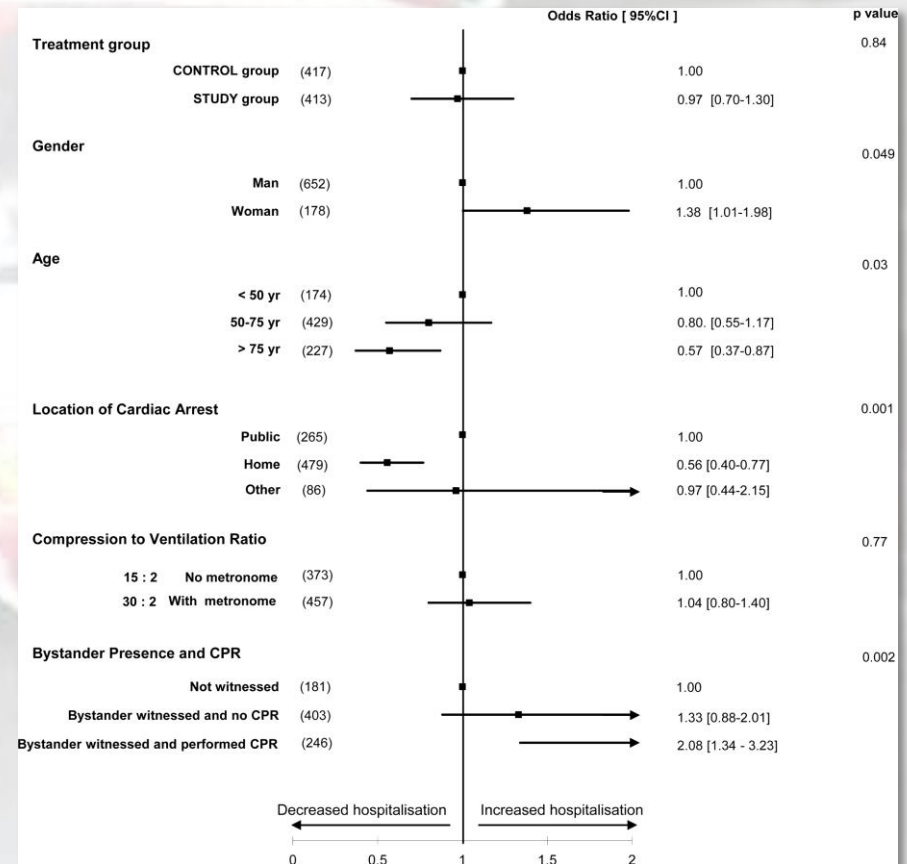
Factors associated with hospital admission, n= 830

More likely to be hospitalized

- Women (1.4)
- Bystander witnessed and CPR (2.1)

Less likely to be hospitalized

- Over age 75 (0.6)
- Arrest at home (0.6)



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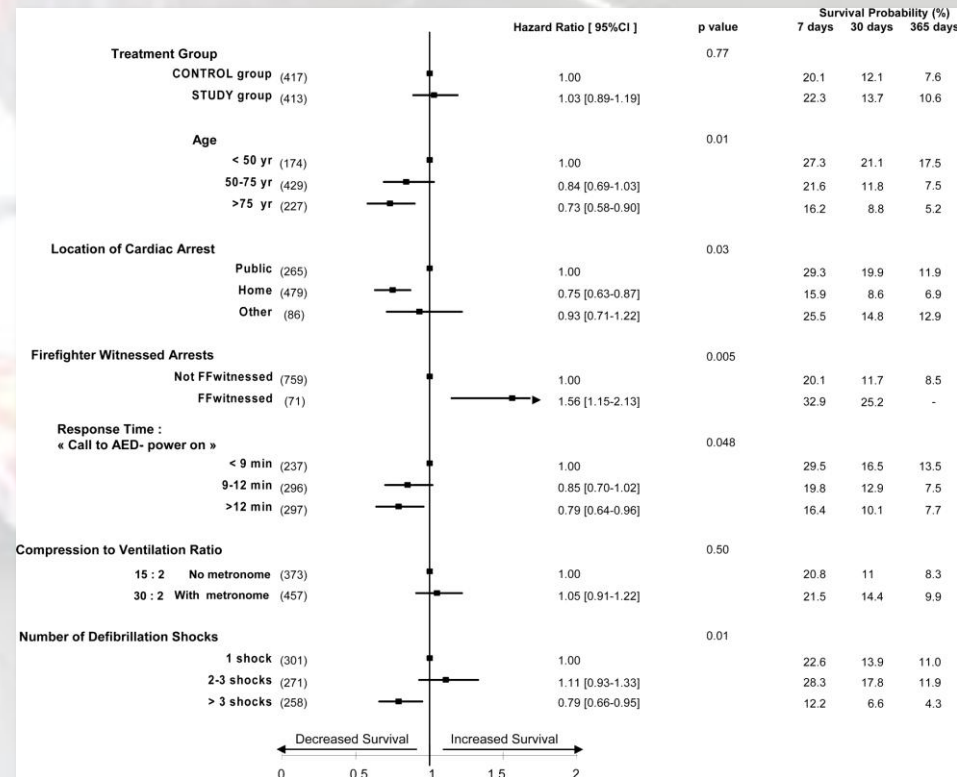
Factors associated with survival to 1 year, n= 830

More likely to survive

- Firefighter witnessed (1.5)

Less likely to survive

- Over age 75 (0.7)
- Arrest at home (0.8)
- Response > 12 minutes (0.8)
- 4+ shocks (0.8)





Who survives

Things we can't change

- Witnessed
- Younger age

Things we can change

- Bystander CPR
- Response time < 9 minutes



Strategies for improving survival

Adult Chain of Survival



1. Immediate recognition of cardiac arrest and activation of the emergency response system
2. Early CPR with an emphasis on chest compressions
3. Rapid defibrillation
4. Effective advanced life support
5. Integrated post–cardiac arrest care



Strategies for improving survival

AHA Consensus Statement

Implementation Strategies for Improving Survival After Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest in the United States

Consensus Recommendations From the 2009 American Heart Association Cardiac Arrest Survival Summit

Robert W. Neumar, MD, PhD, Chair; Janice M. Barnhart, MD, MS; Robert A. Berg, MD, FAHA;
Paul S. Chan, MD, MSc; Romergryko G. Geocadin, MD; Russell V. Luepker, MD, MS, FAHA;
L. Kristin Newby, MD, MHS; Michael R. Sayre, MD, FAHA; Graham Nichol, MD, MPH, FAHA;
on behalf of the American Heart Association Emergency Cardiovascular Care Committee, Council on
Cardiopulmonary, Critical Care, Perioperative, and Resuscitation, Council on Clinical Cardiology,
Council on Epidemiology and Prevention; Council on Quality of Care and Outcomes Research and
Advocacy Coordinating Committee

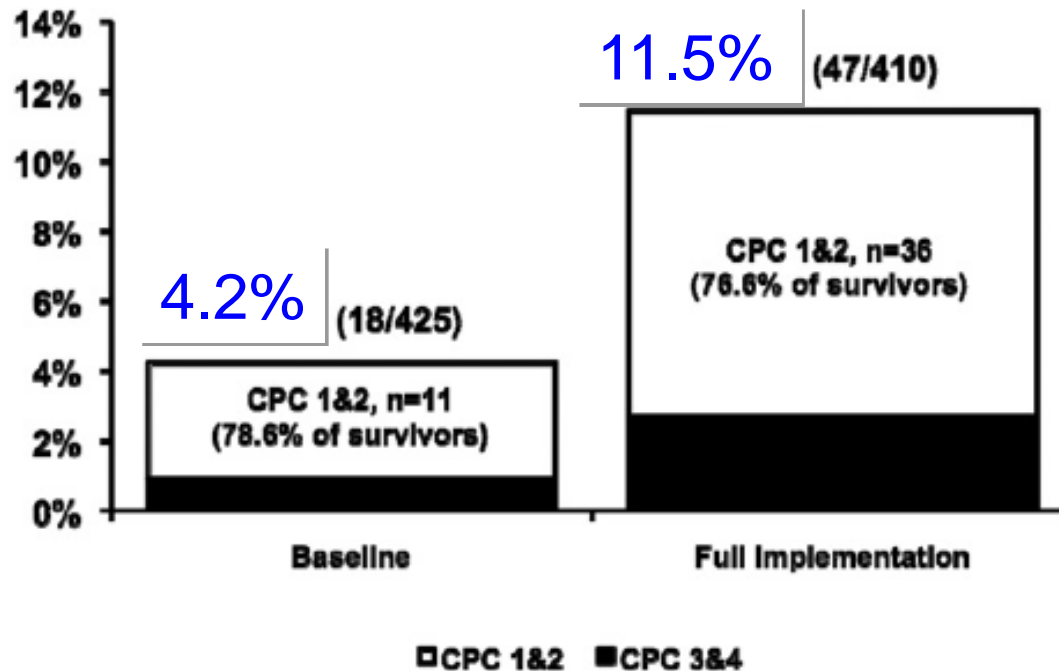
Endorsed by the Neurocritical Care Society



Strategies for improving survival

- Medical leadership
- Community
 - Bystander CPR
 - Public access defibrillation
- 911 dispatch
 - Rapid first response
 - Dispatch assisted CPR
- EMS
 - High quality CPR
 - Early defibrillation
- Hospital
 - Specialized centers for treating post-cardiac arrest patients
 - Multidisciplinary post-cardiac arrest care treatment plan
 - Early PCI
 - Therapeutic hypothermia
 - Early hemodynamic optimization
 - AICD placement

Wake County



*Neurologic status is represented by Cerebral Performance Category (CPC); 1&2 denote "good" and "moderate" cerebral performance; 3&4 denote "poor" and "vegetative" cerebral performance; 5 denotes "brain death" and thus is not represented in this survivor to hospital discharge bar chart. ** Survivors in baseline phase where CPC score available = 14.

Figure 3. Overall survival to hospital discharge and neurologic status* of survivors of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest between baseline (N=425) and full implementation (N=410) of 2005 AHA guidelines (phase 3).



PUBLIC ACCESS AED AND TRAINING

Public-Access Defibrillation and Survival after Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest

- 993 community units in 24 North American regions
- 250 adults over age 50 for 16 hours a day
- Ability to supply AED in 3 minutes
- Randomly assigned shopping malls and apartment complexes
- Emergency-response training involving CPR alone or CPR / AED

Table 5. Number of Survivors of Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest.

Characteristic	CPR Only	CPR plus AED	P Value	
			Unadjusted	Adjusted
Definite cardiac arrests — no.	107	128	0.09*	
Residential units	37	33		
Public units	70	95		
Survivors of definite arrest — no.	15	30	0.03†	0.03*‡
Residential units	1	1		
Public units	14	29		
Survivors of definite or uncertain arrest — no.	16	31	0.03*‡	
Cerebral performance category of survivors of definite arrest — no. (%)§			0.90¶	
Normal	10 (71.4)	22 (73.3)		
Mildly impaired	3 (21.4)	5 (16.7)		
Moderately impaired	1 (7.1)	3 (10.0)		

Public-Access Defibrillation and Survival after Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest

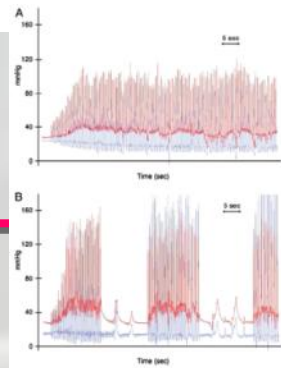
- AED's combined with trained volunteer response save lives,
 - Particularly in public places with more than 250 adults over age 50





HIGH PERFORMANCE CPR

Chest compression only CPR



- Bystanders more willing to initiate
- Arterial blood is adequately oxygenated at onset of *primary cardiac arrest*
- Less likely to cause regurgitation of stomach contents
- Rescue breathing interrupts critical chest compressions
- Easier to teach
- Observational evidence of improved survival

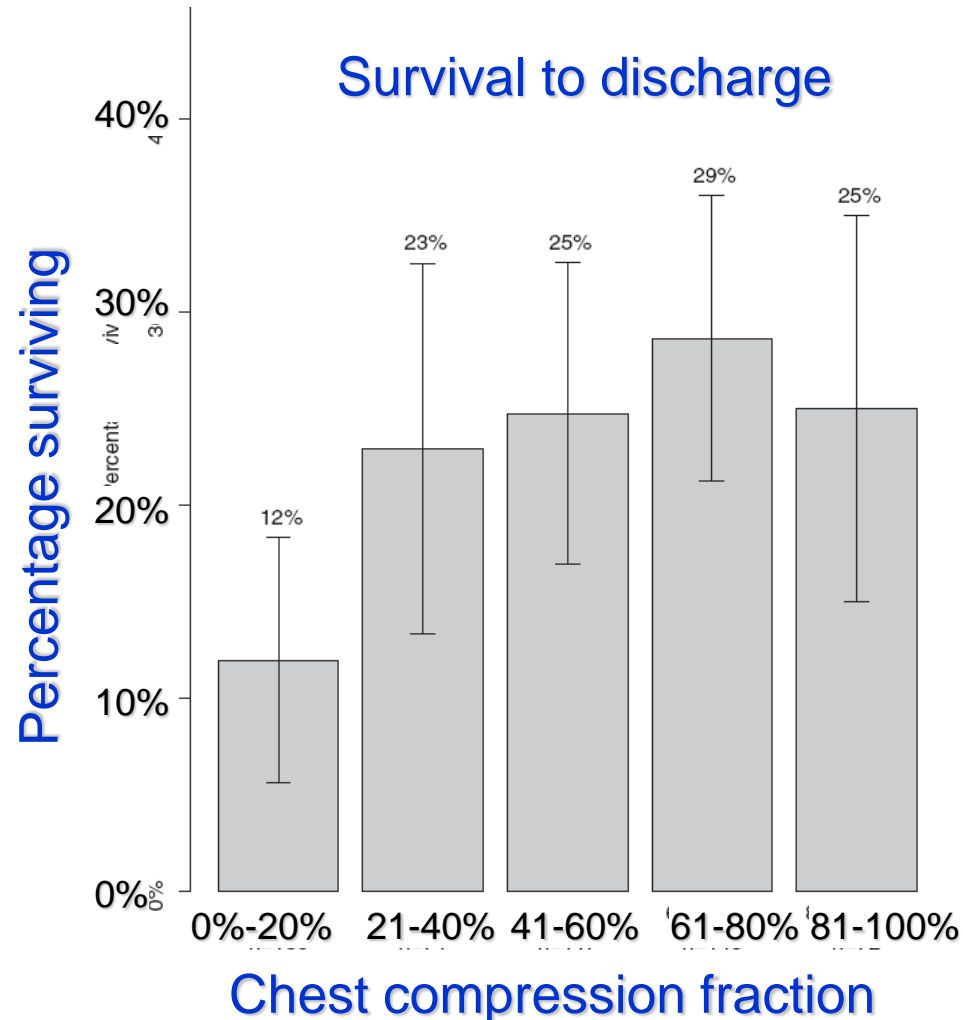
Standard CPR 15:2



Coronary Perfusion pressure (Ao diastolic- RA diastolic)

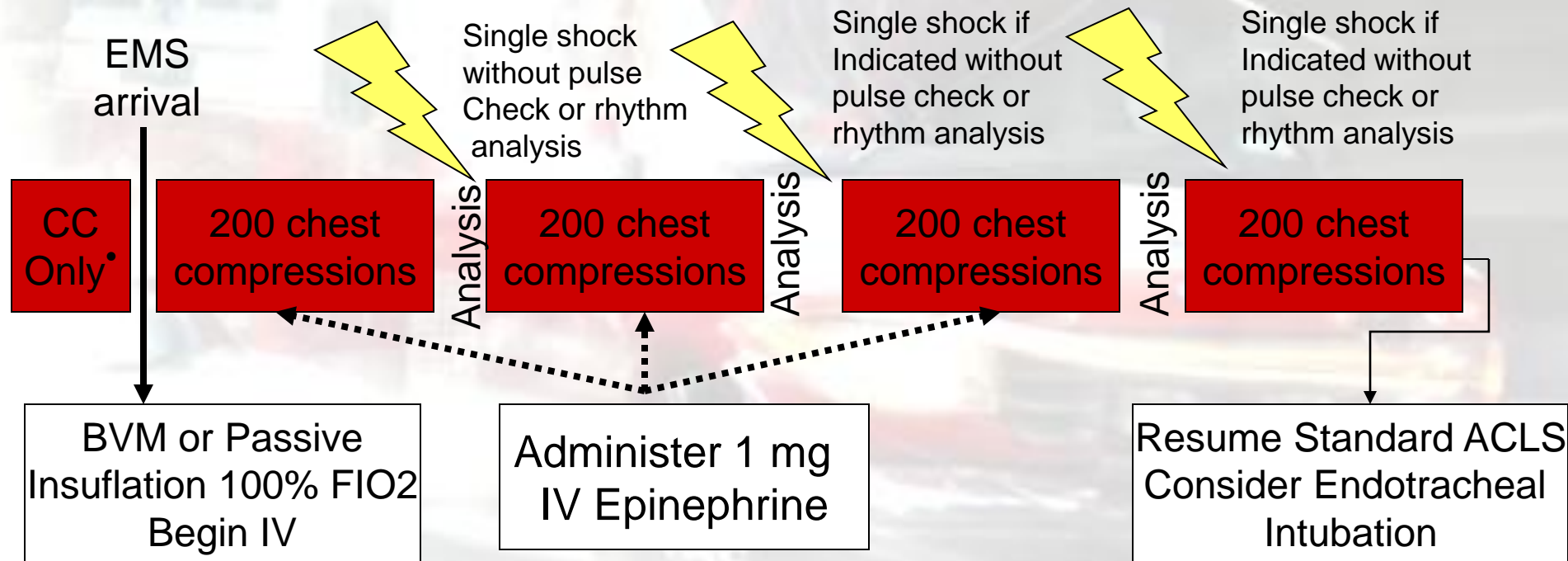
Chest compression fraction and survival

- 506 patients with VF / VT and no defib. before EMS arrival.
- Electronically recorded cardiopulmonary resuscitation before the first shock.
- Age 64, 80% male
- 51% bystander CPR
- 6 minutes call to scene
- 11 minutes call to first shock.
- ROSC 72%
- Survived to discharge 23%



A red ECG line graphic runs horizontally across the top of the slide, starting with a series of peaks on the left and ending with a single peak on the right. The background is a blurred image of a medical setting with people in scrubs.

Cardiocerebral Resuscitation



- If adequate bystander chest compressions are provided, EMS providers perform immediate rhythm analysis



Chest Compression-Only CPR by Lay Rescuers and Survival From Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest

Bobrow *et al.* JAMA 2010;304:1447-1454

Your Hands - Their Heart Compression-Only CPR

If you witness someone collapse unexpectedly, follow these steps:

1. Shake the person and shout, "Are you OK?" If the person is unresponsive and not breathing, or breathing abnormally (struggling to breathe, gasping or snoring), direct someone to call 9-1-1 or make the call yourself.
2. Position the patient with their back on the center floor. Place the heel of one hand on the center of the chest (between the nipples) and the heel of the other hand on top of the first. Lock your elbows, place your shoulders vertically above your hands and use the weight of your upper body to "fall" downward, compressing the chest 2 inches deep. Lift your hands slightly each time to allow chest wall to recoil. Compress chest at a rate of about one hundred per minute (slightly faster than one compression per second). When you tire, take turns with others until paramedics arrive.
3. If an automated external defibrillator (AED) is available, turn it on and follow the AED's voice instructions. If no AED is available, continue chest compressions with as few interruptions as possible.

Important:

Struggling to breathe or gasping is not a sign of recovery! Initiate and continue chest compressions even if patient gasps.

Note: For cases of near drowning, drug overdose or unresponsiveness of young children (Age 8 or under), follow conventional CPR (2 mouth-to-mouth ventilations followed by 30 chest compressions). However, even in those cases, Compression-Only CPR is better than doing nothing. To learn conventional CPR, a formal training class is recommended.

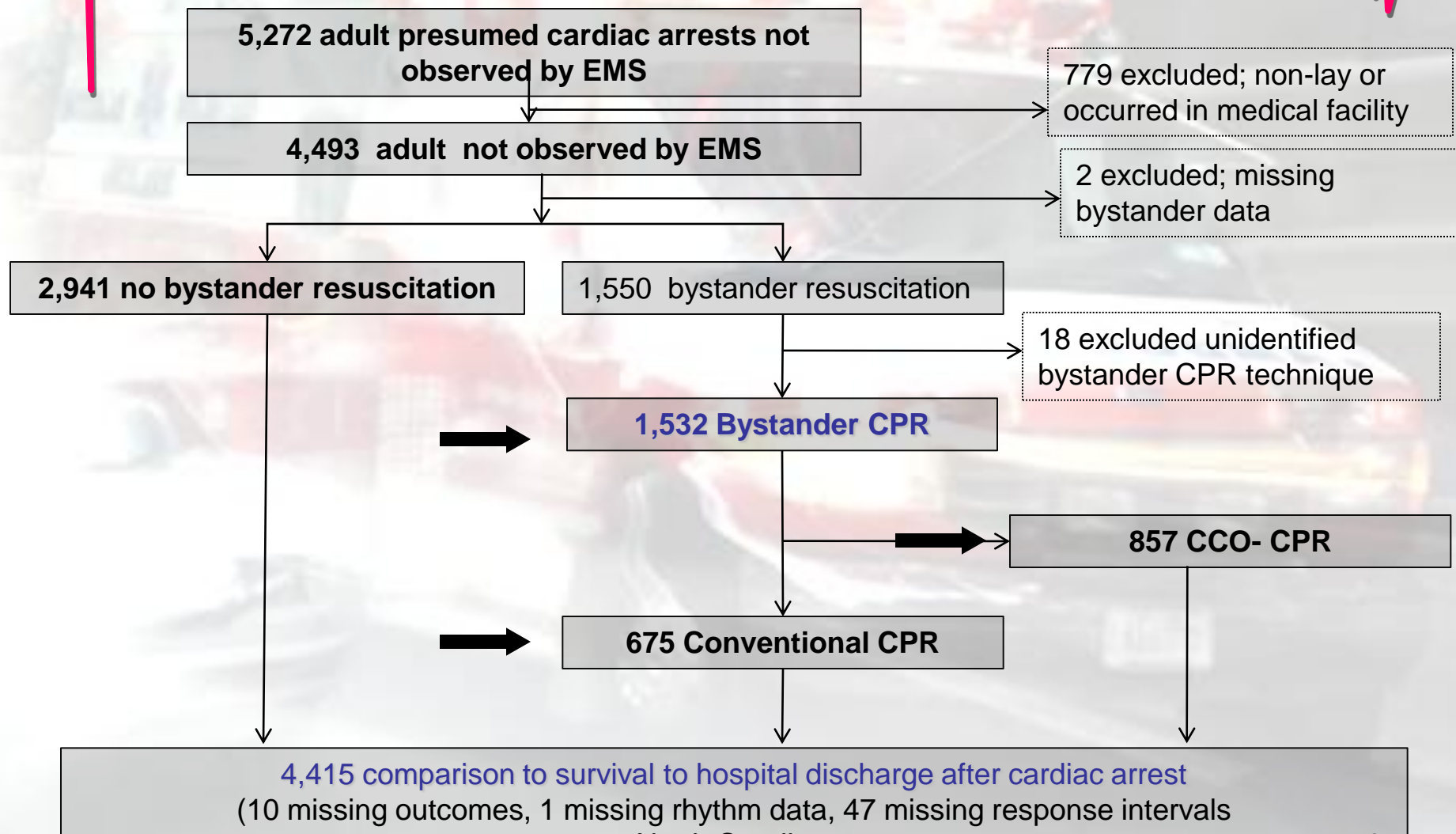


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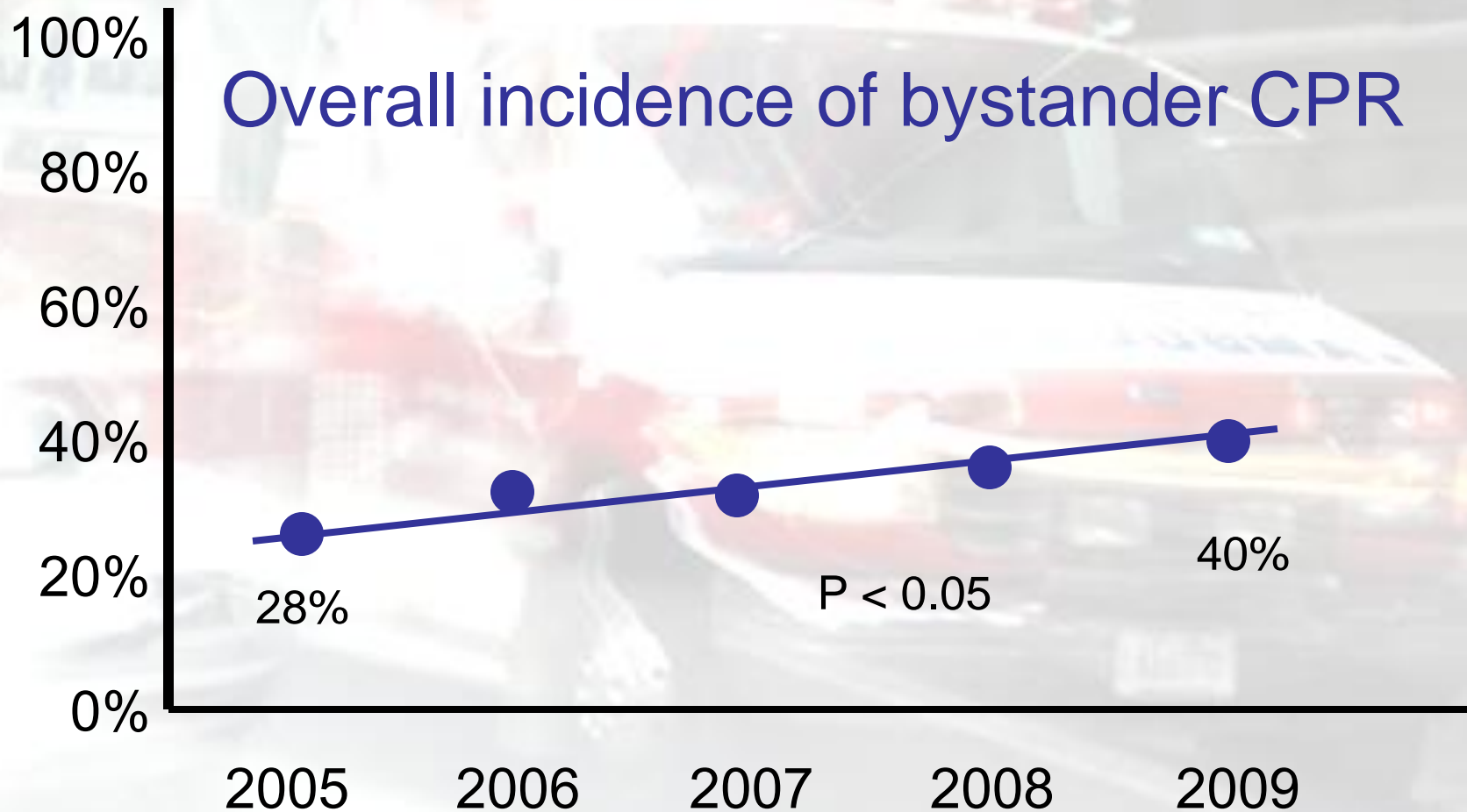
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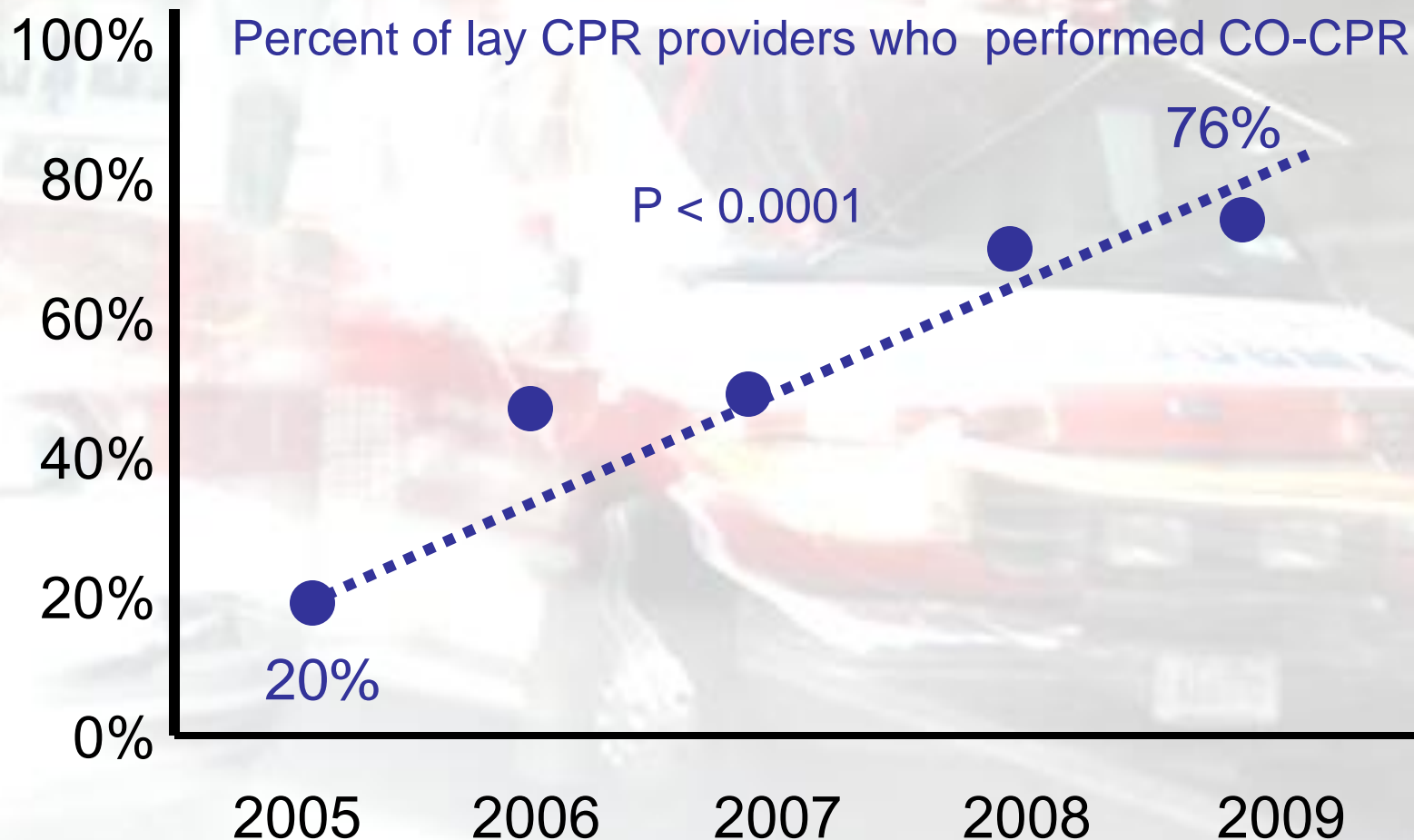
Bystander CPR for OHCA in Arizona (2005 to 2010)



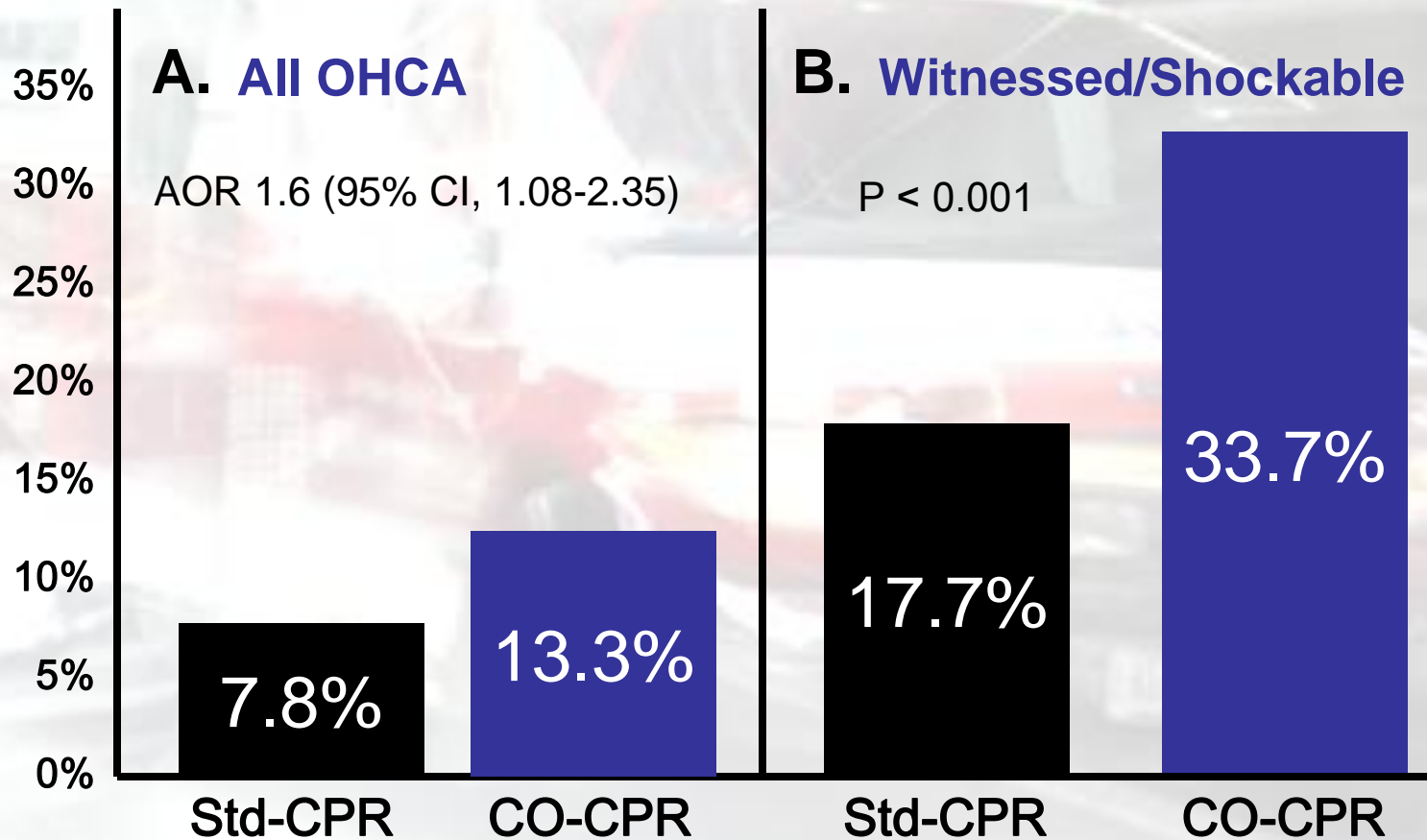
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Survival to Hospital Discharge





DISPATCH

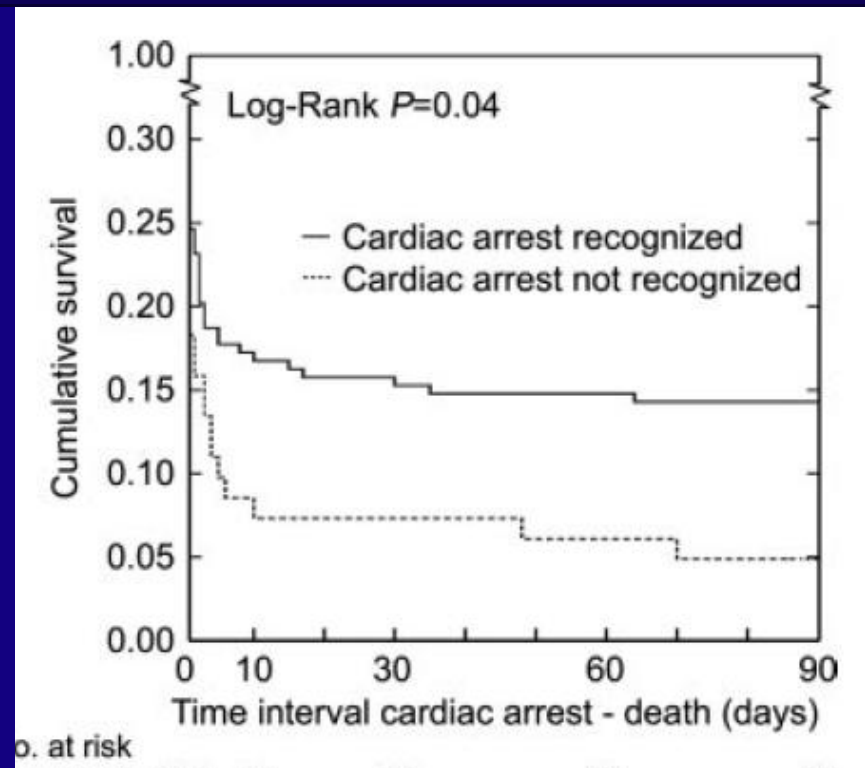
Importance of the First Link

Description and Recognition of an Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest in an Emergency Call

Jocelyn Berdowski, MS, MSE; Freerk Beekhuis, RN; Aeilko H. Zwinderman, PhD;
Jan G.P. Tijssen, PhD; Rudolph W. Koster, MD, PhD

- Amsterdam dispatch
- 506 cardiac arrest emergency calls (3%)
- Unrecognized, dispatch 0.9 min later, on scene 1.4 minute later
- Call to arrival - 8.5 vs. 9.9 min
- Main reason for not recognizing the cardiac arrest was not asking if the patient was breathing (42 of 82) / describe the type of breathing

3 month survival by dispatch recognition

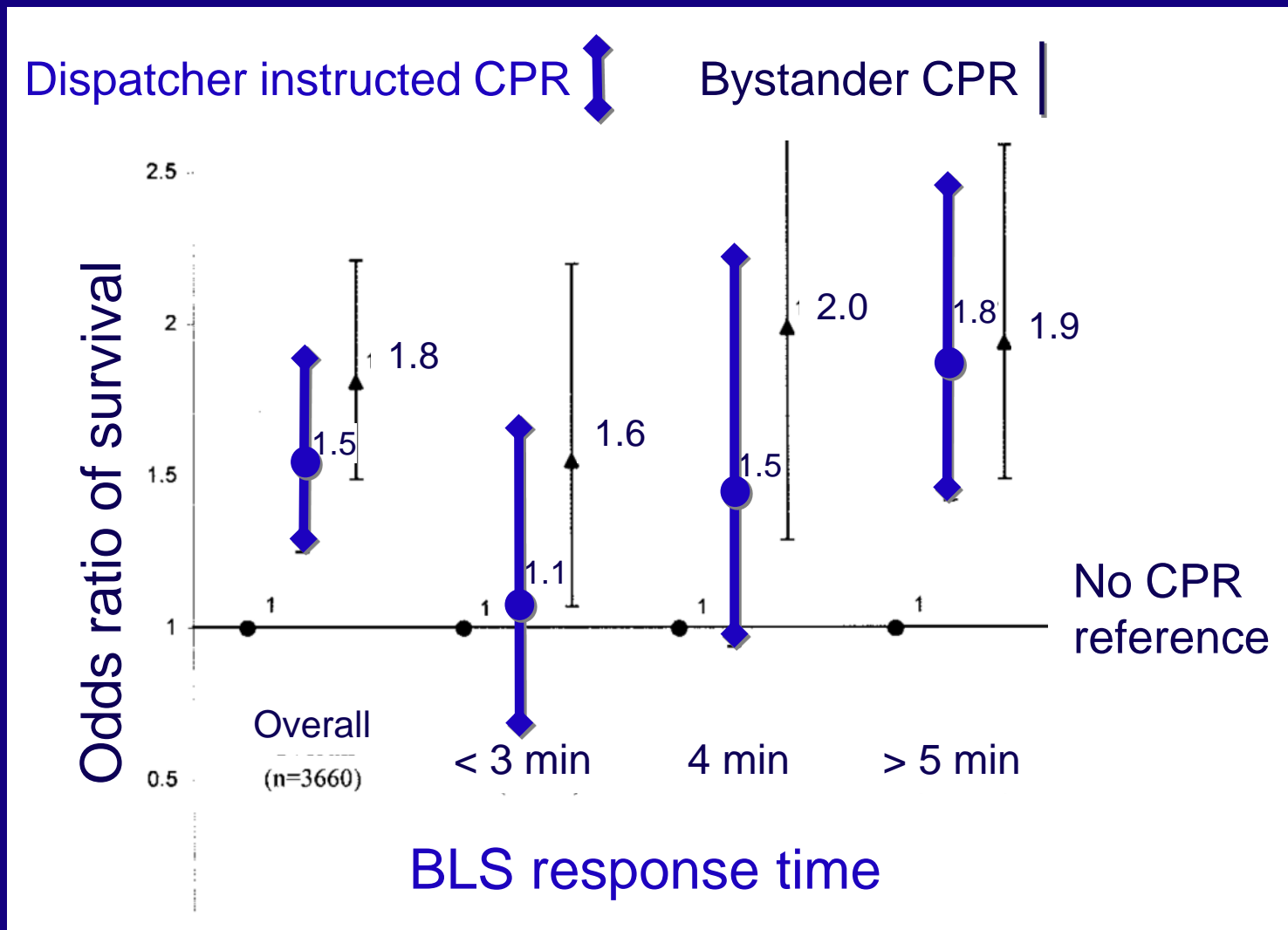


Agonal breathing



Odds ratio of survival by CPR status and BLS response time

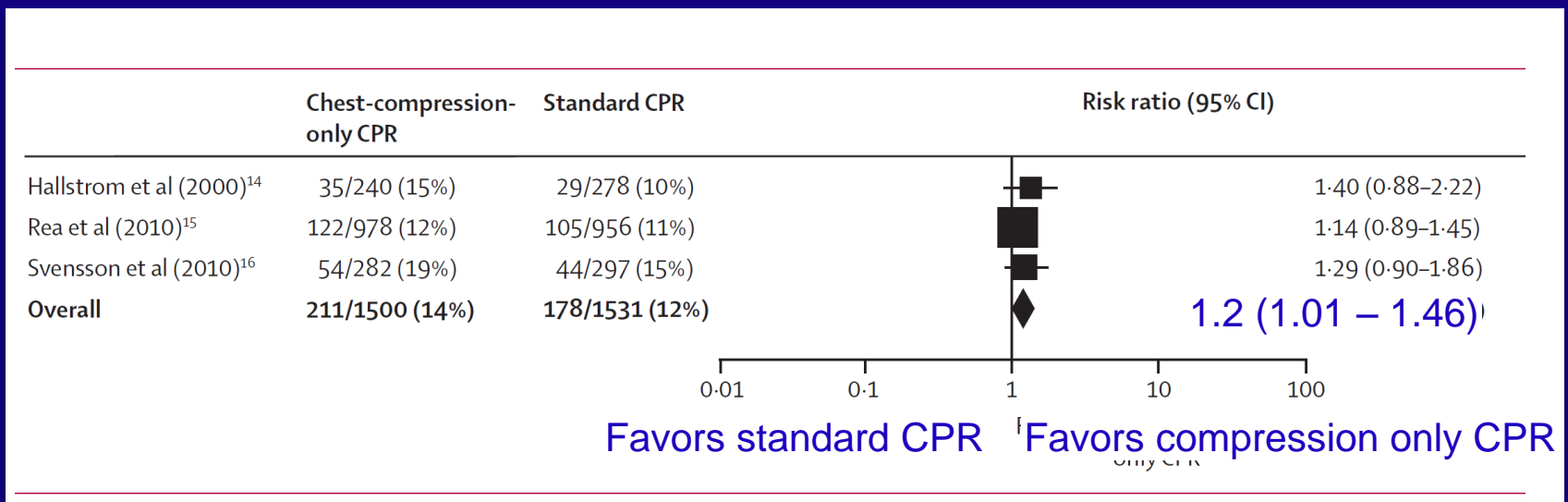
Witnessed cardiac arrest, King County 1983 – 2000, n = 7265



Chest-compression-only vs. standard CPR

Meta-analysis of randomized dispatch instruction

Survival to hospital discharge in 3 trials



P = 0.04



Essential Elements of Dispatch CPR Instruction

- Training
- QI
- Feedback
- Performance Standards
 - Time to recognize cardiac arrest
 - Time to start chest compressions
 - Percent of cardiac arrests that receive telephone CPR

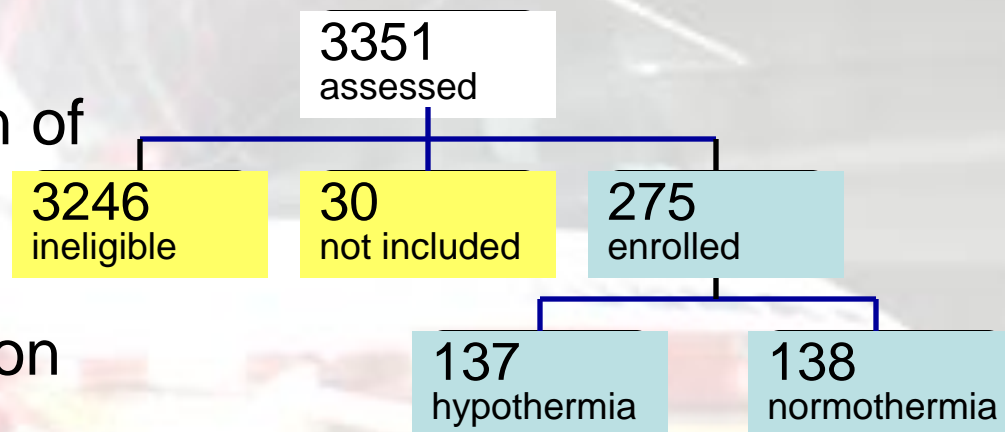


HYPOTHERMIA

Hypothermia After Cardiac Arrest Study Group

- 275 patients VT/VF
- 5-15 minutes to initiation of resuscitation
- <60 minutes to restoration
- 24 hour temp 32-34 degrees
- 8 hours to achieve target temp

Cooling blankets, ice packs





Hypothermia After Cardiac Arrest Study Group

Survival and Neurologic Outcome at Discharge

	Hypothermia	Normothermia
Survival $p=0.02$	64% 87/137	50% 69/138
Favorable neurologic outcome $p=0.009$	47% 64/134	31% 42/135

Melbourne Australia Hypothermia

- 77 patients VF
- Return of spontaneous circulation
- Persistent coma
- Randomized odd / even days
- 12 hour temp 33 degrees
- Cooling begun pre-hospital
- 2.5 hours to achieve target temp

chemical / ice packs

	Hypo- thermia	Normo- thermia
Favorable neurologic outcome	49% 15/43	26% 7/34

p=0.046



Hypothermia

- Hypothermia saves lives
- Questions remain
 - Who, How, When to start, How long, What temperature, Rewarming, When to assess neurological recovery.

Minneapolis Heart Institute Regional System for Therapeutic Hypothermia

ROSC to 1st Cooling

- 140 patients
 - 106 in transfer
- Return of spontaneous circulation and unresponsive
- Discharged alive 56%
- Good. neuro. outcome 51%

	Good neuro. Outcome
0 – 39 min	60% 26/43
40 – 102 min	49% 21/43
>102 min	45% 19/42

*“every 1 hour in delay to initiation of cooling,
the risk of death increased by 20%”*

P<0.05




Definitions



Cardiac Arrest

(also known as cardiopulmonary arrest):

Is the cessation of normal circulation
of the blood
due to failure of the heart
to contract effectively.



Cardiac Arrest

(also known as cardiopulmonary arrest):

Victims become limp and unresponsive.

They may stop breathing, have very slow deep breaths (agonal breathing), or gasp.



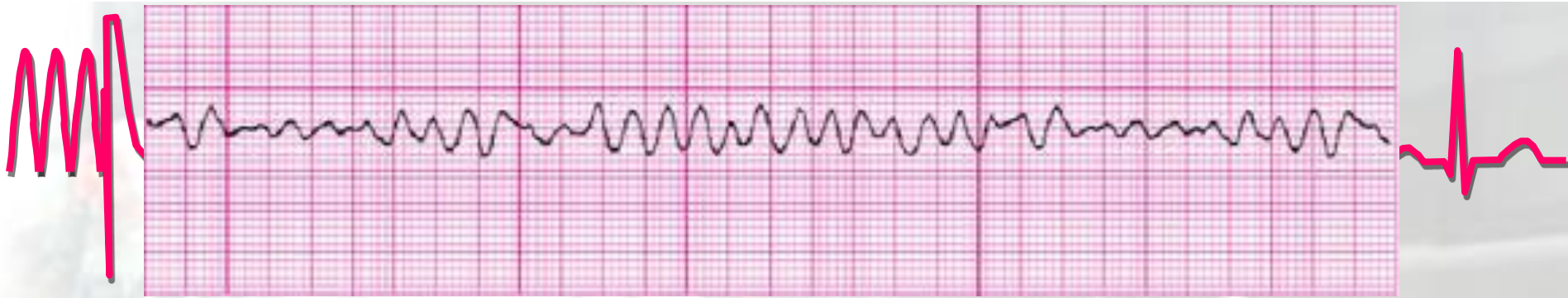
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- brain seizures
- respiratory arrest
- or anaphylactic shock

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Ventricular Fibrillation (VF):

pulseless, chaotic activity of the heart muscle manifested by a disorganized and erratic ECG.



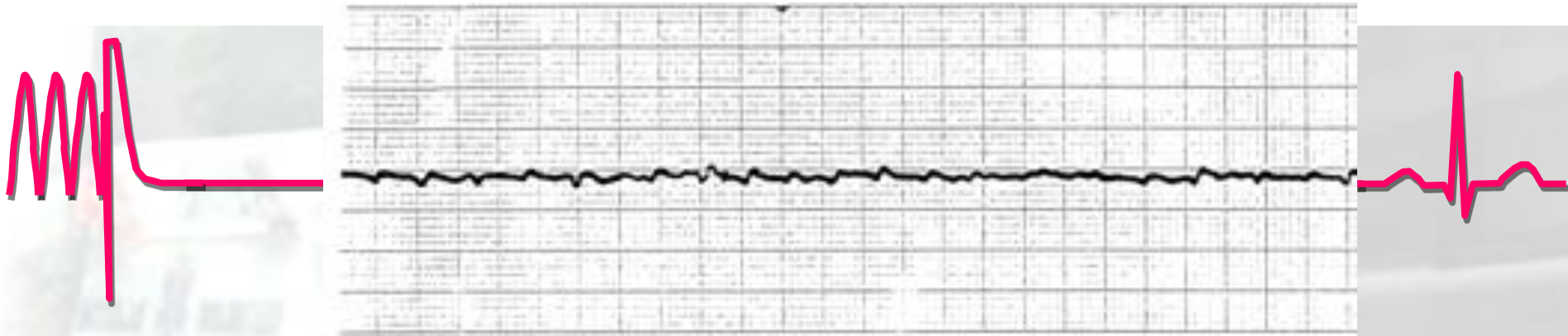
Ventricular Tachycardia (VT):

depolarization of the heart that originates in the ventricle manifested by a wide and regular ECG rhythm faster than 120 beats per minute.



Pulseless electrical activity (PEA):

any heart rhythm observed by ECG that should be producing a pulse with the absence of a pulse.




Asystole:

cardiac standstill manifested by a “flat line” ECG rhythm and absence of a pulse.



Return of Spontaneous Circulation (ROSC):

the return of a pulse following resuscitation.



Hypothermia:

cooling a patient to 32 – 34 degrees Celsius (90 – 93 degrees Fahrenheit).

After cardiac arrest, this process reduces swelling and inflammation and has been shown to improve brain recovery.

The HeartRescue Project: Re-thinking Cardiac Arrest



HeartRescue
PROJECT

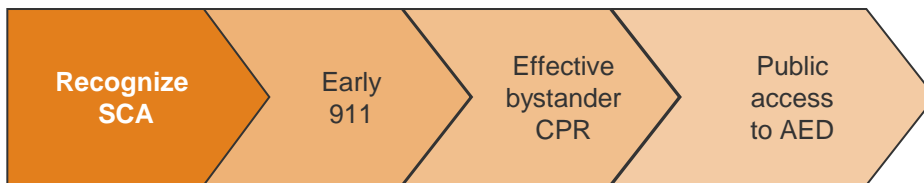
Vision

Every American who suffers from Sudden Cardiac Arrest will receive life-saving, state-of-the-art care at the scene, en route to and in the hospital.

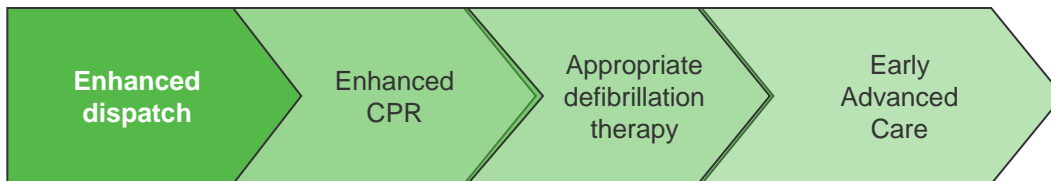


Goal: Improve out of hospital cardiac arrest survival by 50% over 5 years.

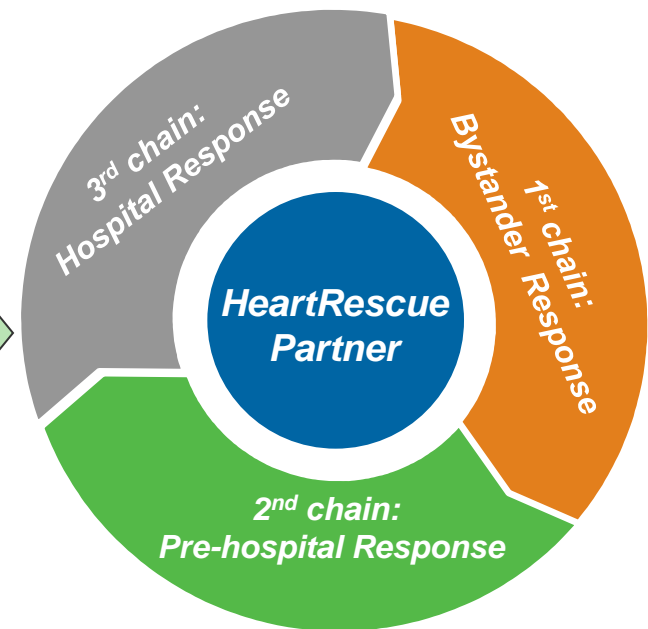
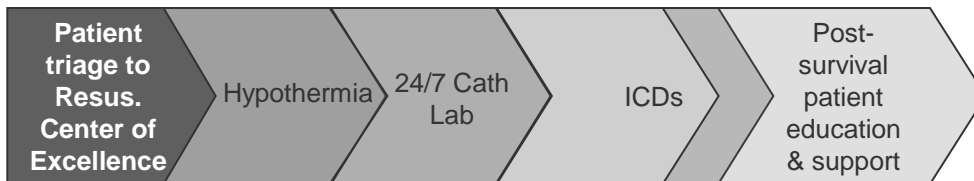
1: Community Response



2: Pre-hospital Response



3: Hospital Response



HeartRescue Partners



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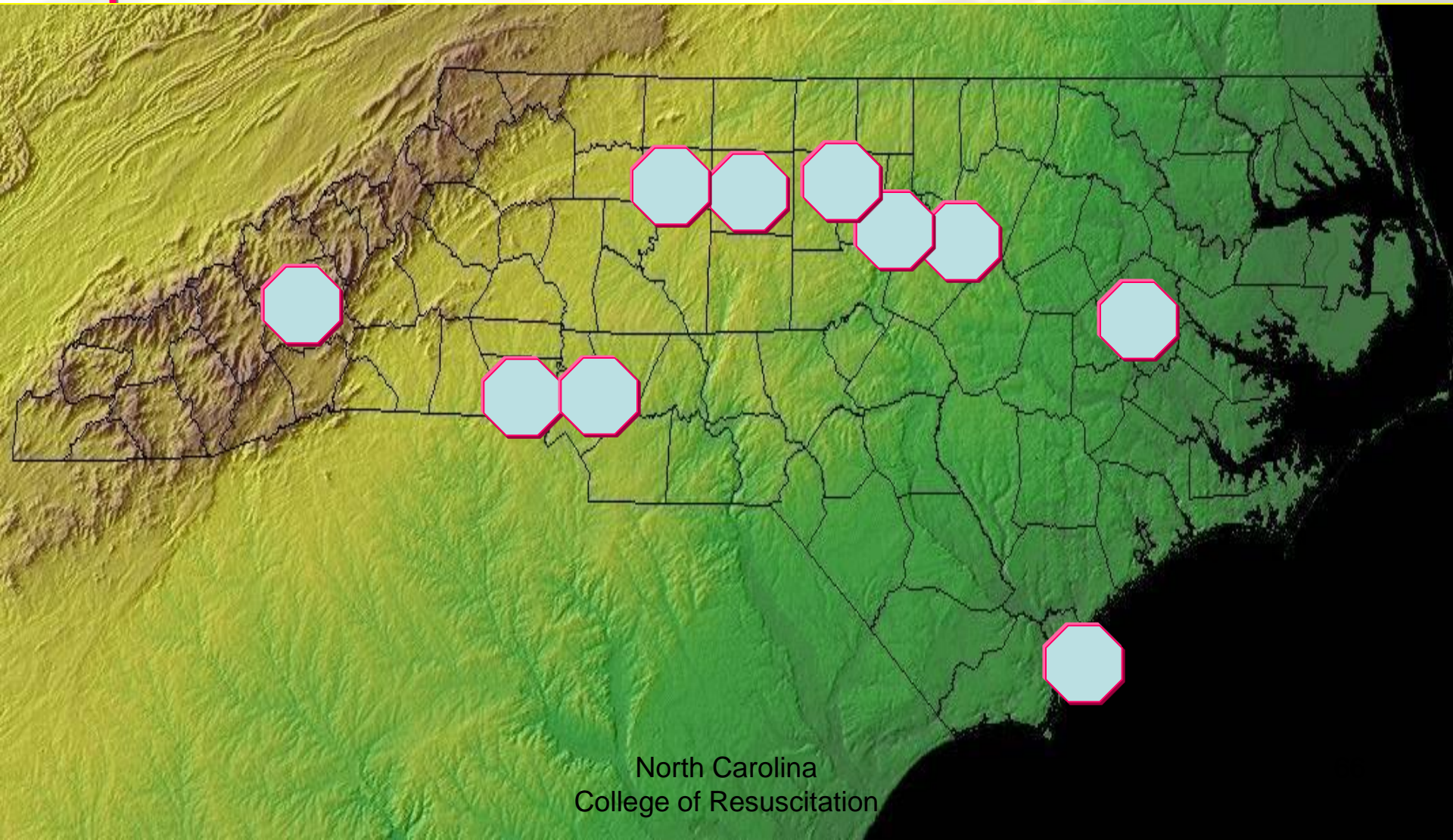


Cardiac Arrest Resuscitation System

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Hospital / EMS cardiac arrest programs



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RACE *Cardiac Arrest Resuscitation System*



2) Establish REGIONAL *CARDIAC ARREST* CENTERS

1) Develop leadership,
funding, data structure

4) Improve system

*Measurement
& Feedback*

3c) Community by community
cardiac arrest training/AED
placement

3a) HOSPITAL by hospital
establishment of *cardiac arrest* plan
(review, consensus, training)

3b) EMS by EMS
establishment of *cardiac arrest* plan
(review, consensus, training)

Community Response:

- NC Standard Course of Study and Grade Level Competencies
 - CPR and AED training by 8th grade
- Heart patients on discharge
- All hospital employees

*Recognize cardiac arrest, MI, stroke;
call 911; hands only CPR; AED*



Simplifying to hands-only CPR

Experts now believe an adult who suddenly collapses due to cardiac arrest has enough air in his lungs and blood during CPR and doesn't need mouth-to-mouth breathing.

If you see someone collapse ...

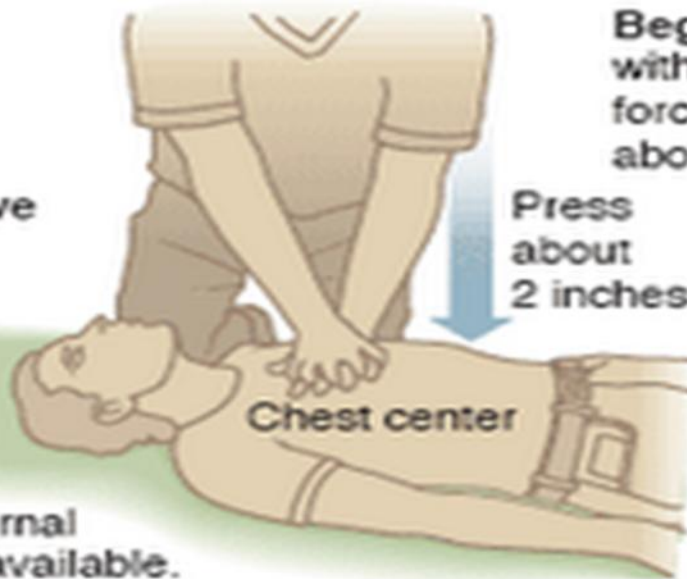
... have
someone
call 911.

Position
unresponsive
adult.



Use an
automated external
defibrillator if available.

Keep CPR interruptions to a minimum.



Begin hands-only CPR
with straight arms and
forceful compressions at
about 100 a minute.

Lift hands slightly
after each to allow
chest to recoil.

Take turns with
a bystander until
emergency
medical services
arrive.

SOURCES: University of Arizona Sarver Heart Center;
American Heart Association

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Pre Hospital:

- Rapid dispatch
 - Medical dispatcher
 - Dispatcher CPR instruction
- Effective resuscitation
 - Uninterrupted chest compression
 - ACLS team approach
- In the field cooling
- CARES Registry



Hospital:

- Post cardiac arrest care
 - Strong physician leader
 - Cardiac arrest team / coordinator
 - ICU / hypothermia / cath. / neurology protocols
 - Limited data measurement and feedback
- EP evaluation / Implantable defibrillators
- Community support / training





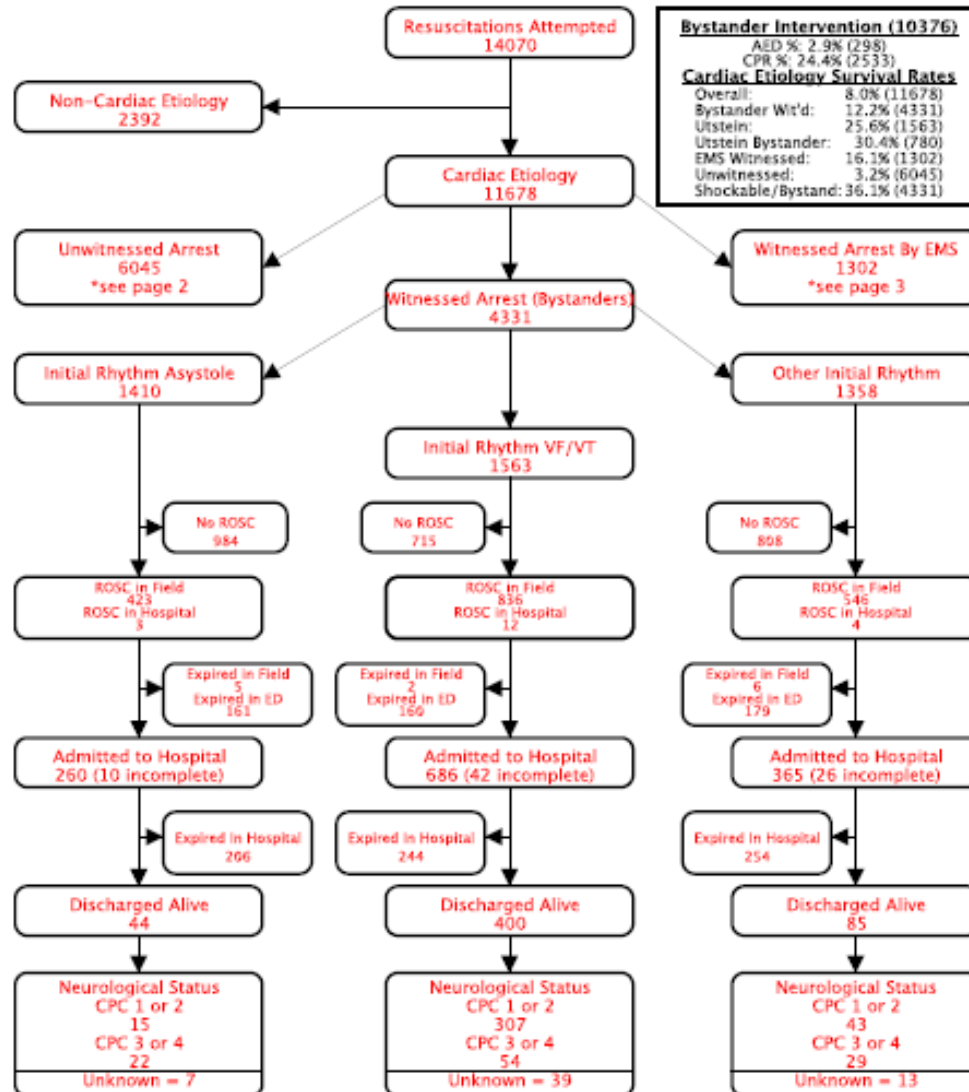
CARES Registry:



- Created 2004 agreement between CDC and Emory
- Help EMS Identify:
 - When, where, what part of the system is functioning properly, and where there are opportunities to improve
- Consolidates all essential elements
- Quick and easy data collection
- Track ongoing performance
- Create reports for benchmarking

Utstein Survival Report

Agency Group: National | Date of Arrest: From 10/01/2005 Through 03/31/2009





CARES Registry: HIPAA / PHI

- CDC Registry – Federal exempt
- Duke IRB approved
- Business Associate Agreement can be executed.
- Direct identifiers removed



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