

## LA HAP EN LAS ENFERMEDADES AUTOINMUNES SISTÉMICAS (ESCLERODERMIA, LUPUS) Y ABORDAJE TERAPÉUTICO ESPECÍFICO DE LAS MISMAS

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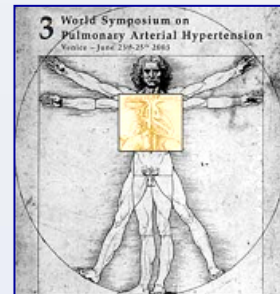
# HTAP en las EAS. Reseña histórica

*“El síndrome CREST no siempre es benigno ya que después de un curso clínico prolongado puede presentar una progresiva obliteración vascular pulmonar, hipertensión pulmonar y muerte, en ausencia de fibrosis pulmonar significativa”.  
**Salerni R et al., 1977***

*“un tipo de afección vascular en los pulmones especialmente destructivo, que comienza bruscamente y tiene consecuencias letales” Pulmonary hypertension: The Bête Noire of the Connective Tissue Diseases.  
**Le Roy CE, 1991***

1980-2002 → 83 referencias

2002-2008 → 222 referencias



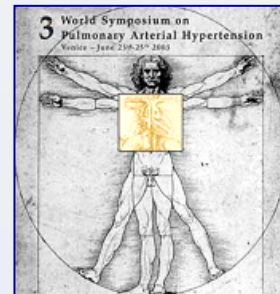
# Clasificación de la hipertensión pulmonar

III Simposio Internacional sobre Hipertensión Pulmonar

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Venecia 2003

1. **HAP: hipertensión arterial pulmonar**
2. HP secundaria a patología cardiaca izquierda
3. HP asociada a neumopatías y/o hipoxemia
4. HP debida a enfermedad trombótica y/o embólica crónica
5. Miscelánea



# Clasificación de la hipertensión pulmonar

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### 1- HTAP:

- Idiopática (HAPi)
- Familiar
- Relacionada con factores de riesgo u otras patologías:
  - **Enfermedades del tejido conectivo**
  - Cardiopatías congénitas
  - Hipertensión portal
  - VIH
  - Fármacos y tóxicos
  - Otros
- HAP asociada a afectación capilar y/o venosa significativa

# Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension in France

## Results from a National Registry

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**TABLE 1. CLINICAL AND HEMODYNAMIC DATA AT THE TIME OF DIAGNOSIS OF PULMONARY ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION**

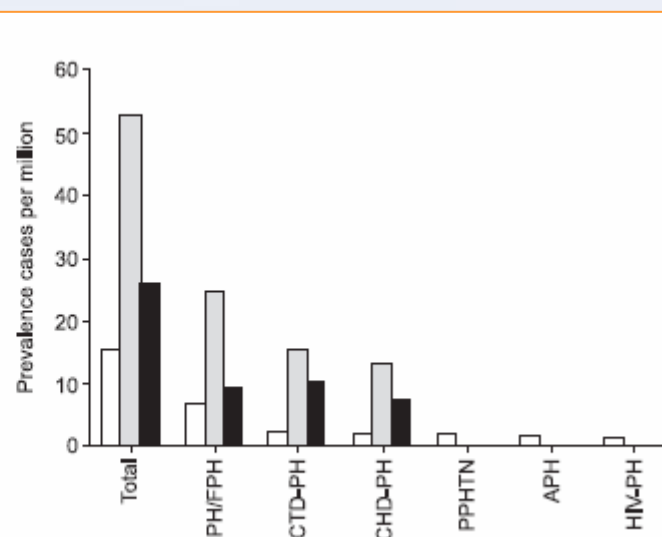
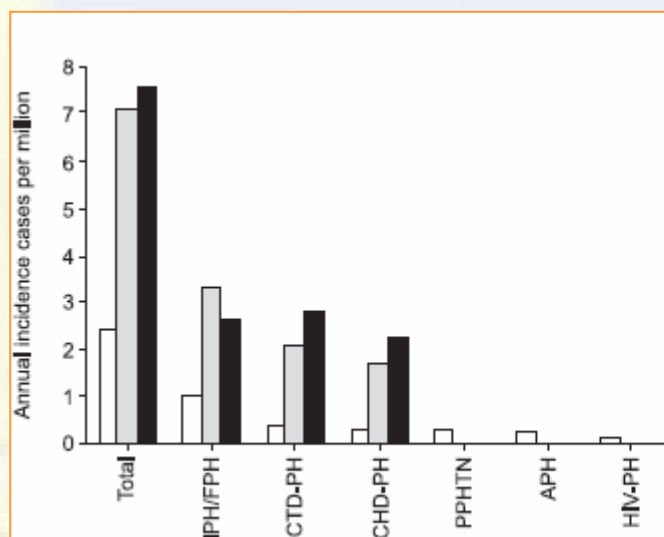
|                                      | All Cases<br>(n = 674) | Incident Cases<br>(n = 121) | Prevalent Cases<br>(n = 553) | p Value* |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|----------|
| Clinical data                        |                        |                             |                              |          |
| Female patients, %                   | 65.3                   | 57.0                        | 67.1                         | 0.035    |
| Age, yr (range)                      | 50 ± 15 (18–85)        | 53 ± 17 (19–85)             | 50 ± 14 (18–82)              | 0.06     |
| NYHA III–IV, %                       | 75                     | 81                          | 73                           | 0.08     |
| 6-min walk distance, m               | 329 ± 109              | 312 ± 114                   | 333 ± 108                    | 0.09     |
| Hemodynamic data                     |                        |                             |                              |          |
| RAP, mm Hg                           | 8 ± 5                  | 8 ± 5                       | 8 ± 5                        | < 0.0001 |
| mPAP, mm Hg                          | 55 ± 15                | 49 ± 14                     | 56 ± 15                      |          |
| PAWP, mm Hg                          | 8 ± 3                  | 8 ± 3                       | 8 ± 3                        |          |
| Cardiac index, L/min/m <sup>2</sup>  | 2.5 ± 0.8              | 2.4 ± 0.9                   | 2.5 ± 0.8                    |          |
| SvO <sub>2</sub> , %                 | 63 ± 9                 | 63 ± 8                      | 63 ± 9                       |          |
| PVRI, mm Hg/L/min/m <sup>2</sup>     | 20.5 ± 10.2            | 19.2 ± 9.3                  | 20.7 ± 10.4                  |          |
| Disease subtype, %                   |                        |                             |                              |          |
| Idiopathic (n = 264)                 | 39.2                   | 40.5                        | 38.9                         |          |
| Familial (n = 26)                    | 3.9                    | 2.5                         | 4.2                          |          |
| Connective tissue diseases (n = 103) | 15.3                   | 18.2                        | 14.6                         |          |
| Congenital heart diseases (n = 76)   | 11.3                   | 4.1                         | 12.8                         |          |
| Portal hypertension (n = 70)         | 10.4                   | 14.9                        | 9.4                          |          |
| Anorexigens (n = 64)                 | 9.5                    | 3.3                         | 10.8                         |          |
| HIV infection (n = 42)               | 6.2                    | 9.9                         | 5.4                          |          |
| Two coexisting risk factors (n = 29) | 4.3                    | 6.6                         | 3.8                          |          |

# An epidemiological study of pulmonary arterial hypertension

A.J. Peacock\*, N.F. Murphy<sup>#</sup>, J.J.V. McMurray<sup>#</sup>, L. Caballero\* and S. Stewart<sup>†</sup>

**TABLE 2** Prevalence and incidence of pulmonary arterial hypertension and its subtypes from three sources<sup>\*</sup>

|                   | Total | IPH | CTD-PH | CHD-PH |
|-------------------|-------|-----|--------|--------|
| <b>Prevalence</b> |       |     |        |        |
| French            | 15    | 6.5 | 2.3    | 1.7    |
| SMR               | 52    | 25  | 15     | 12     |
| SPVU              | 26    | 9   | 10     | 7      |
| <b>Incidence</b>  |       |     |        |        |
| French            | 2.4   | 1.0 | 0.4    | 0.3    |
| SMR               | 7.1   | 3.3 | 2.1    | 1.7    |
| SPVU              | 7.6   | 2.6 | 2.8    | 2.2    |



□: French national registry; ■: Scottish hospitalisation ■: Scottish Pulmonary Vascular Unit

# A USA-based registry for pulmonary arterial hypertension: 1982–2006

T. Thenappan, S.J. Shah, S. Rich and M. Gomberg-Maitland

|                                                 | Year          |               |               | p-value |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------|
|                                                 | 1982–<br>1996 | 1996–<br>2002 | 2002–<br>2006 |         |
| <b>Subjects n</b>                               | 103           | 328           | 147           |         |
| <b>Age yr</b>                                   | 41 ± 12       | 49 ± 14       | 52 ± 14       | <0.0001 |
| <b>Female</b>                                   | 77 (75)       | 253 (77)      | 115 (78)      | 0.81    |
| <b>WHO functional class</b>                     | 3.2 ± 0.9     | 2.9 ± 0.8     | 3.2 ± 0.8     | 0.003   |
| <b>Exercise capacity METs</b>                   | 3.6 ± 3.05    | 3.6 ± 3.05    | 3.4 ± 2.9     | 0.81    |
| <b>Prostacyclins<sup>#</sup></b>                | 3 (2.9)       | 11 (3.4)      | 0             | 0.44    |
| <b>Endothelin antagonists<sup>#</sup></b>       | 0             | 1 (0.3)       | 17 (11.6)     | <0.001  |
| <b>Phosphodiesterase inhibitors<sup>#</sup></b> | 0             | 0             | 5 (3.4)       | <0.001  |
| <b>Idiopathic/familial PAH</b>                  | 77 (75)       | 150 (46)      | 49 (33)       | <0.0001 |
| <b>CTD</b>                                      | 12 (11)       | 100 (30)      | 61 (42)       | <0.0001 |
| <b>Congenital heart disease</b>                 | 10 (10)       | 34 (10)       | 18 (12)       | 0.78    |
| <b>Portal hypertension</b>                      | 4 (4)         | 25 (8)        | 14 (10)       | 0.241   |
| <b>Anorexigens</b>                              | 0             | 13 (4)        | 3 (2)         | 0.065   |
| <b>HIV</b>                                      | 0             | 6 (2)         | 2 (1)         | 0.164   |

# The Prevalence of Undiagnosed Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension in Subjects With Connective Tissue Disease at the Secondary Health Care Level of Community-Based Rheumatologists (the UNCOVER Study)

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**N 669: 604ES/89EMTC**  
**HTAP 89**  
**ES 82 (14 %)**  
**EMTC 7 (7.8 %)**

**Table 1.** Patients participating in the survey\*

| Patients  | Unknown PAH status | PAH present | Total |
|-----------|--------------------|-------------|-------|
| Evaluable |                    |             |       |
| With SSc  | 604                | 111         | 715   |
| With MCTD | 89                 | 11          | 100   |
| Total     | 693                | 122         | 815   |
| Final     |                    |             |       |
| With SSc  | 586                | 111         | 697   |
| With MCTD | 83                 | 11          | 94    |
| Total     | 669                | 122         | 791   |

**Table 2.** ERVSP by Doppler echocardiography in 669 patients with unknown PAH status (the prospective group)\*

| ERVSP, mm Hg | No. (%) of patients |
|--------------|---------------------|
| ≥30          | 282 (42.2)          |
| ≥35          | 158 (23.6)          |
| ≥40          | 89 (13.3)           |
| ≥45          | 45 (6.7)            |
| ≥50          | 20 (3.0)            |
| ≥60          | 6 (0.9)             |

\*ERVSP = estimated right ventricular systolic pressure; PAH =

**Conclusion.** A significant number of patients with SSc or MCTD (13.3%) followed up in a community rheumatology practice setting have undiagnosed elevated ERVSP consistent with PAH.

# Early Detection of Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension in Systemic Sclerosis

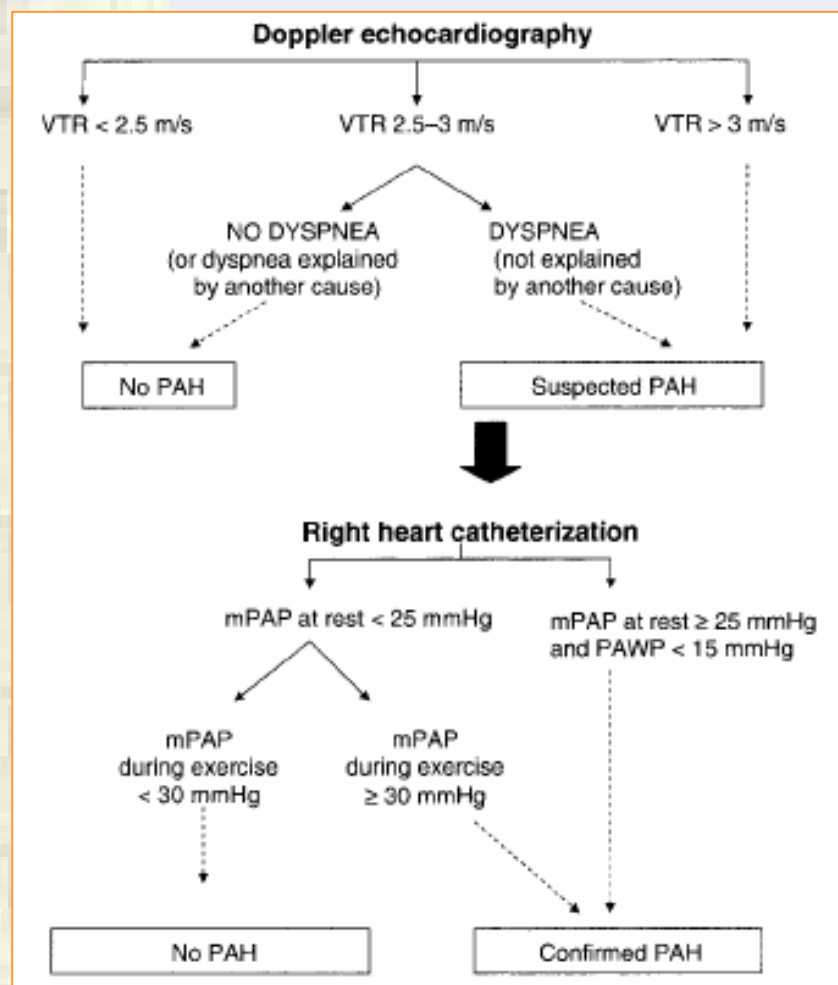
A French Nationwide Prospective Multicenter Study

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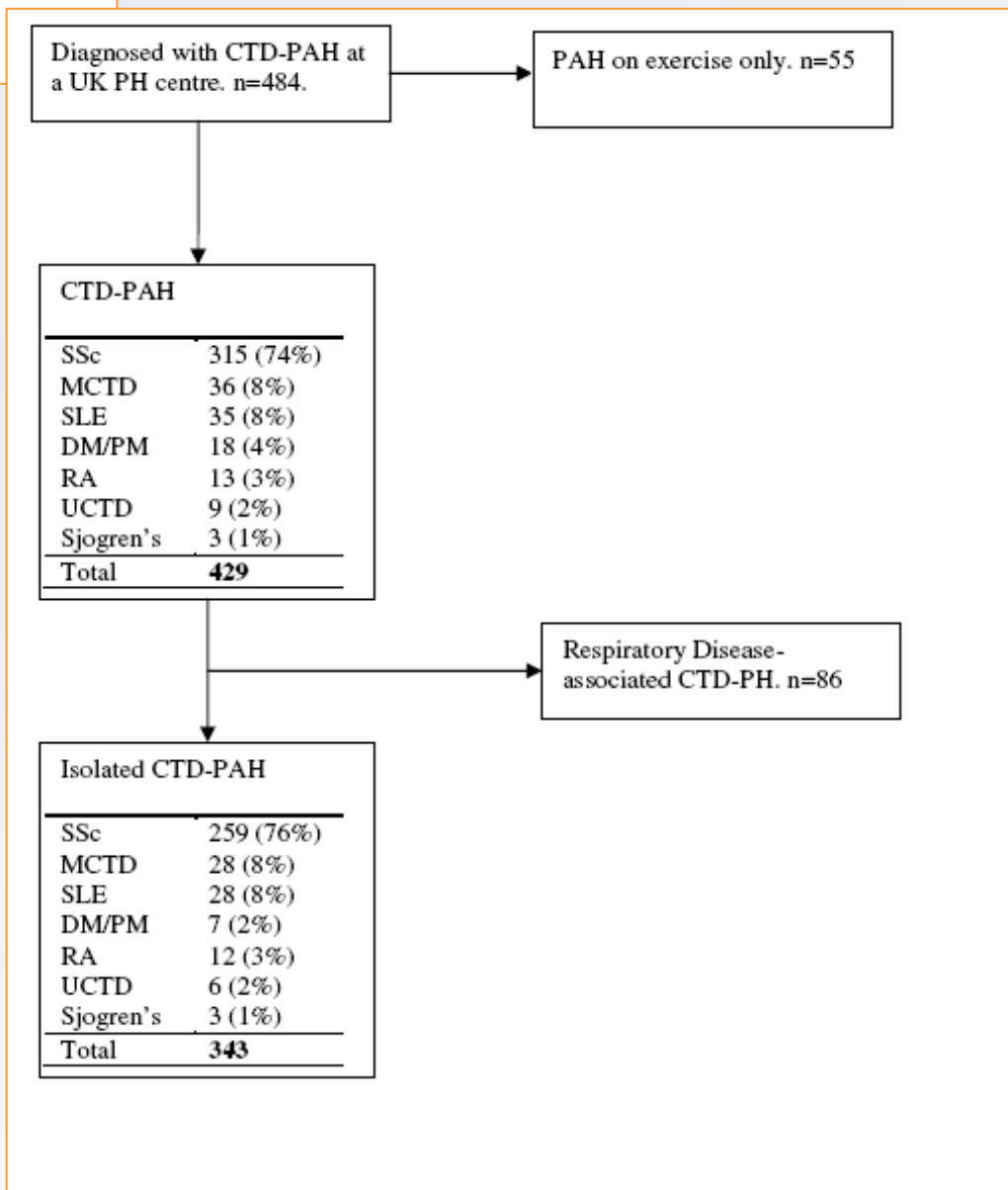
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**Results.** Of the 599 patients analyzed, 29 had known PAH and 33 had suspected PAH, based on Doppler echocardiography, and underwent RHC. Of these 33, 18 were found to have PAH, 3 had left ventricular dysfunction, and 12 had no PAH. Newly diagnosed cases of PAH were of mild severity (mean  $\pm$  SD pulmonary artery pressure [mPAP]  $30 \pm 9$  mm Hg, mean  $\pm$  SD total pulmonary resistance [TPR]  $524 \pm 382$  dynes  $\times$  second/cm<sup>5</sup>). Hemodynamic findings in patients with known PAH were mPAP  $49 \pm 17$  mm Hg and TPR  $1,007 \pm 615$  dynes  $\times$  second/cm<sup>5</sup>. The estimate of PAH prevalence was 7.85% (95% confidence interval 5.70–10.00).

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# HTAP en las EAS

|                        | Esclerodermia | PM/DM | S Sjögren | LES  | EMTC |
|------------------------|---------------|-------|-----------|------|------|
| EPID                   | +++           | ++    | +         | +    | ++   |
| Bronquitis/HRB         |               |       | +++       |      |      |
| Bronquiolitis          |               |       | ++        |      |      |
| Afec.Pleural           | +             |       |           | ++++ | +    |
| N. por aspiración      | +             | ++    |           |      | +    |
| Infección oportun.     |               |       |           | ++   |      |
| Afec.muscular          |               | ++    |           | +    |      |
| HTAP                   | +++           | +/-   | +/-       | +    | +    |
| Toxicidad por fármacos |               | +     |           | ++   |      |

# HTAP en las EAS. Factor pronóstico.

**Factor mal pronóstico**

**Causa de muerte**

**Esclerodermia**

**+++++**

**1<sup>a</sup>**

**DM/PM**

**+**

**rara**

**SS**

**-/+**

**rara**

**LES**

**+**

**rara**

**EMTC**

**++**

**3<sup>a</sup>**

# HTAP en el Síndrome Sjögren primario.

**TABLE 1.** Demographic, Clinical, and Immunologic Features of 1010 Spanish Patients With Primary Sjögren Syndrome

| Feature*                                    | No. (%) (n = 1010) |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Sex (female)                                | 937 (93)           |
| Age at onset (yr) <sup>†</sup>              | 53.0 ± 0.48        |
| Age at protocol (yr) <sup>†</sup>           | 58.7 ± 0.46        |
| Xerostomia                                  | 975 (96%)          |
| Xerophthalmia                               | 968 (96%)          |
| Parotid enlargement                         | 269 (27%)          |
| Abnormal ocular tests                       | 898/956 (94%)      |
| Abnormal parotid scintigraphy/salivary flow | 580/759 (76%)      |
| Positive salivary gland biopsy              | 449/561 (79%)      |
| Arthralgia                                  | 490 (48%)          |
| Raynaud phenomenon                          | 187 (18%)          |
| Arthritis                                   | 150 (15%)          |
| Pulmonary involvement                       | 112 (11%)          |
| Peripheral neuropathy                       | 110 (11%)          |
| Vasculitis                                  | 91 (9%)            |
| Renal involvement                           | 48 (5%)            |
| CNS involvement                             | 21 (2%)            |
| Pancreatitis                                | 5 (0.5%)           |
| ANA                                         | 859/1005 (85%)     |
| Anti-Ro/SS-A                                | 518/1002 (52%)     |
| RF                                          | 467/982 (48%)      |
| Anti-La/SS-B                                | 343/1000 (34%)     |
| Low C3                                      | 67/753 (9%)        |
| Low C4                                      | 66/747 (9%)        |
| Cryoglobulins                               | 62/628 (10%)       |

# Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension: A Rare Complication of Primary Sjögren Syndrome

## Report of 9 New Cases and Review of the Literature

David Lammay, MD, Eric Hochulla, MD, PhD, Pierre-Yves Hatron, MD, Xavier Jais, MD, Gérard Simonneau, MD, and Marc Humbert, MD, PhD

N= 32 casos

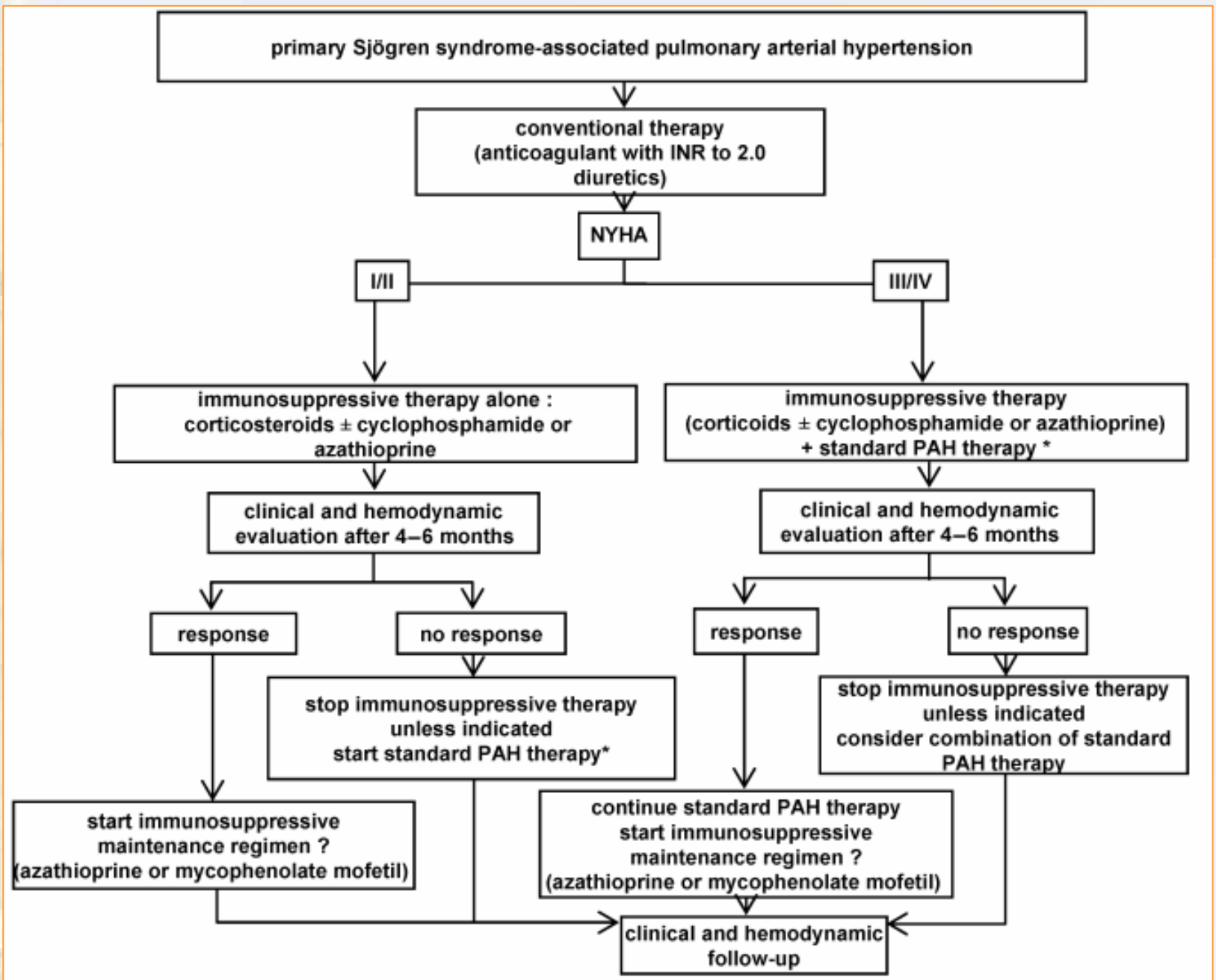
29 Datos completos

**TABLE 6.** Extraglandular Manifestations of our 9 Patients, the Whole Cohort of 28 Patients With pSS-Associated PAH, and the Cohort of 400 Patients With pSS Described by Garcia-Carrasco et al (28)

| Manifestation*              | 9 Patients With pSS-Associated PAH | Whole Cohort of 28 Patients With pSS-Associated PAH | Cohort of 400 pSS Patients (Garcia-Carrasco et al [28]) | p <sup>†</sup> |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Articular involvement       | 2/9 (22)                           | 6/18 (33)                                           | 147/400 (37)                                            | NS             |
| Raynaud phenomenon          | 6/9 (67)                           | 15/25 (60)                                          | 62/400 (16)                                             | <0.0001        |
| Cutaneous vasculitis        | 3/9 (33)                           | 5/13 (38)                                           | 47/400 (12)                                             | 0.02           |
| Interstitial lung disease   | 4/9 (44)                           | 6/23 (26)                                           | 37/400 (9)                                              | 0.03           |
| Peripheral neuropathy       | 0/9 (0)                            | 0/9 (0)                                             | 29/400 (7)                                              | NS             |
| Autoimmune thyroiditis      | 1/8 (12)                           | 4/11 (36)                                           | 61/400 (15)                                             | NS             |
| Myositis                    | 1/9 (11)                           | 1/10 (10)                                           | 5/400 (1)                                               | NS             |
| Lymphoproliferative disease | 0/9 (0)                            | 0/9 (0)                                             | 8/400 (2)                                               | NS             |

**TABLE 8.** Immunologic Features of our 9 Patients, the Whole Cohort of 28 Patients With pSS-Associated PAH, and the Cohort of 400 Patients With pSS Described by Garcia-Carrasco et al (28)

| Feature*                            | 9 Patients With pSS-Associated PAH | Whole Cohort of 28 Patients With pSS-Associated PAH | Cohort of 400 pSS Patients (Garcia-Carrasco et al [28]) | p <sup>†</sup> |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Antinuclear antibodies              | 9/9                                | 27/28 (96)                                          | 288/392 (74)                                            | 0.01           |
| Anti-Ro/SSA antibodies              | 7/9                                | 20/25 (80)                                          | 153/385 (40)                                            | 0.002          |
| Anti-La/SSB antibodies              | 6/9                                | 8/18 (44)                                           | 102/385 (26)                                            | NS             |
| Rheumatoid factor                   | 4/8                                | 15/22 (68)                                          | 146/388 (38)                                            | 0.01           |
| Low CH50                            | 0/9                                | 2/16 (12)                                           | 35/302 (12)                                             | NS             |
| Hypergammaglobulinemia <sup>‡</sup> | 5/9                                | 19/24 (79)                                          | NK                                                      | NK             |
| Total gammaglobulin level, g/L      | 23 ± 15                            | 27 ± 12                                             | NK                                                      | NK             |
| Cryoglobulins                       | 1/9                                | 1/9 (11)                                            | 27/293 (9)                                              | NS             |
| Anti-RNP antibodies                 | 1/9                                | 5/21 (24)                                           | 4/312 (1)                                               | <0.001         |
| Anti-DNA antibodies                 | 1/9                                | 1/17 (6)                                            | 8/304 (3)                                               | NS             |



# HTAP y DM / PM. Prevalencia. Mortalidad.

|                                | <u>Prevalencia</u> | <u>Mortalidad</u> |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| <u>Global</u>                  | 45 % - 65 %        | 25 %              |
| <u>EPID</u>                    | 20-40 %            | 5-10 %            |
| <u>NINE</u>                    | 40 %               |                   |
| <u>NIU</u>                     | 30-40 %            |                   |
| Neumonía organizativa          | 20-60 %            |                   |
| Daño alveolar difuso           | 0-20 %             | 90-100 %          |
| <u>Neumonía por aspiración</u> | 15-20 %            | 20 %              |
| <u>Insuf.Resp.</u>             |                    |                   |
| <u>Debilidad musc.resp</u>     | 15-45 %            |                   |
| <u>HTAP</u>                    | < 0.5 %            | 90 %              |

# HTAP y DM/PM. Características

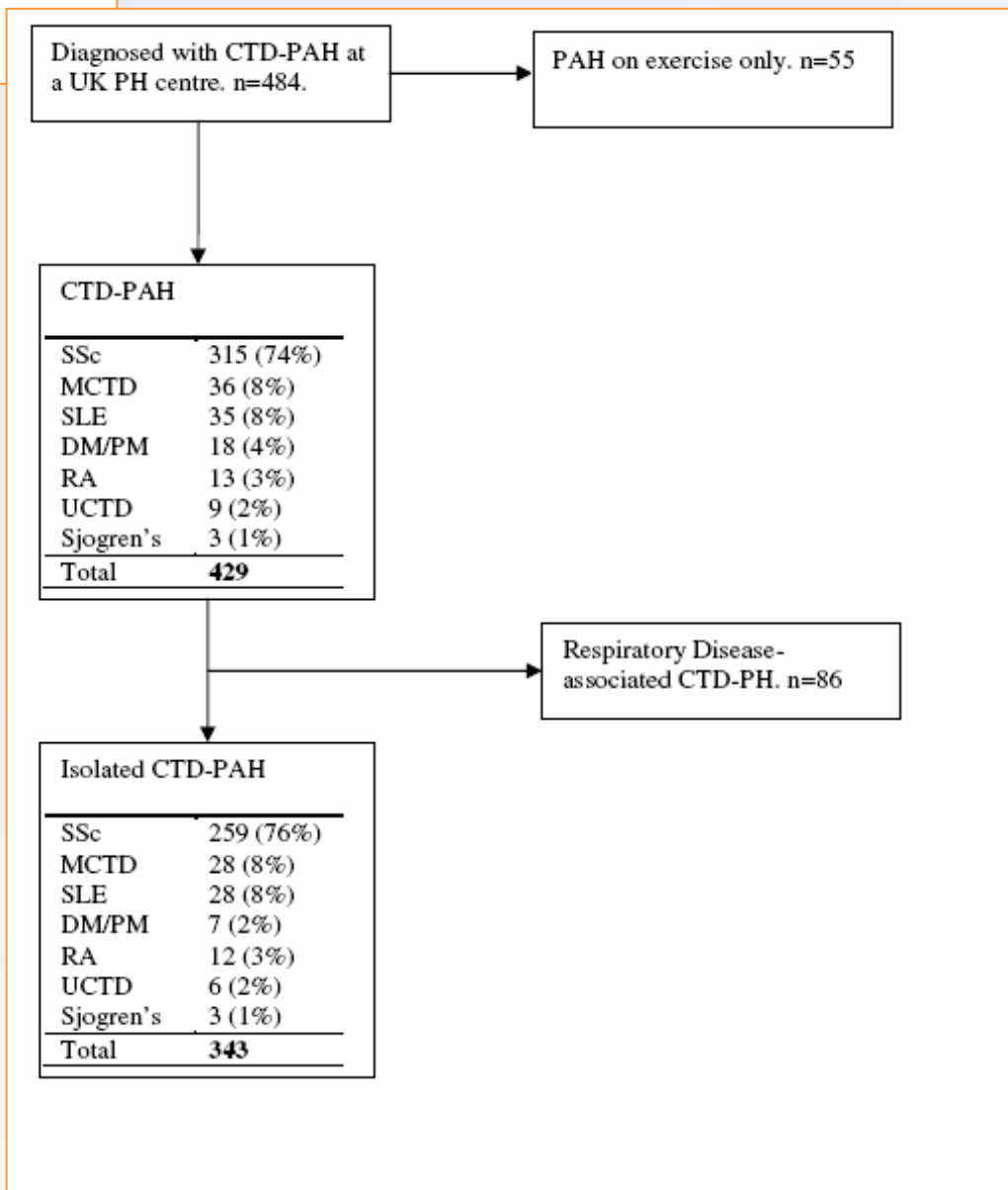
- Casos aislados.
- Prevalencia serie de Hospital Vall d'Hebron: 1 caso de 120 pacientes diagnosticados.
- La mayoría con patología intersticial pulmonar y Ac antisintetasa (Síndrome antisintetasa).
- Sospecha diagnóstica:  
CVF/DLCO  $> 1.8 \rightarrow$  ecocardiograma-Doppler
- Tratamiento: vasodilatadores pulmonares.

# HTAP en el LES. Prevalencia. Mortalidad.

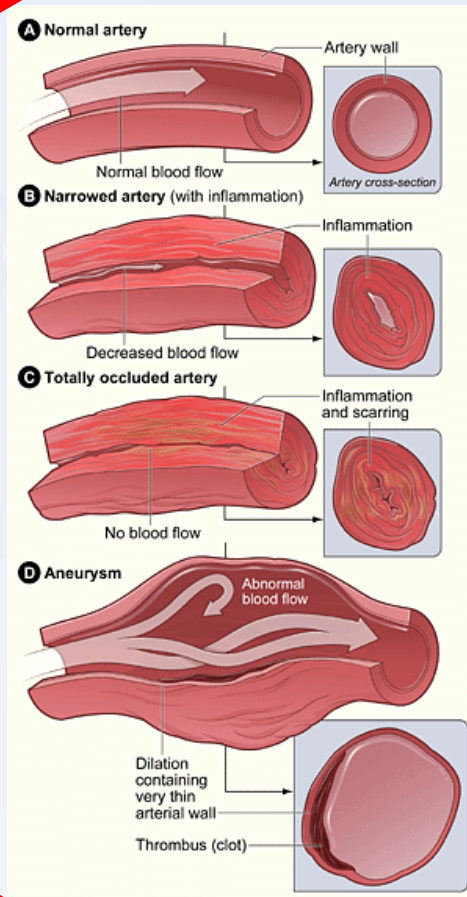
|                                                                               | Prevalencia | Mortalidad |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| <b>Afección respiratoria global</b>                                           | > 50%       |            |
| <i>Clínica significativa</i>                                                  | 7%          |            |
| <b>Pleuritis</b>                                                              | 30-70%      |            |
| <b>Enfermedad pulmonar difusa</b>                                             |             |            |
| <i>Aguda</i> (unidad alveolo-capilar):                                        |             |            |
| Neumonitis Lúpica                                                             | 1-4%        | 50%        |
| Hemorragia alveolar (capilaritis)                                             | 2%          | 50%        |
| <i>Subaguda</i>                                                               |             |            |
| Neumonía organizativa con BO                                                  | 1%          |            |
| <i>Crónica</i>                                                                |             |            |
| Neumonía Intersticial Usual                                                   | <2%         |            |
| <i>Infecciones</i>                                                            | 40%         |            |
| Bacteriana                                                                    |             |            |
| Oportunistas ( <i>Mycobacterias</i> , <i>Nocardia</i> , <i>Pneumocystis</i> ) |             |            |
| <b>“Síndrome del pulmón encogido”</b>                                         | <1%         |            |
| <b>HTA Pulmonar</b>                                                           |             | 25-50 %    |
| <b>Aislada</b>                                                                | 5-14 %      |            |
| <b>Secundaria a TEP por SAF</b>                                               | < 10 %      |            |

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# HTAP en el LES/EMTC. Patogenia.



vasculopatía plexiforme

vasculopatía inflamatoria

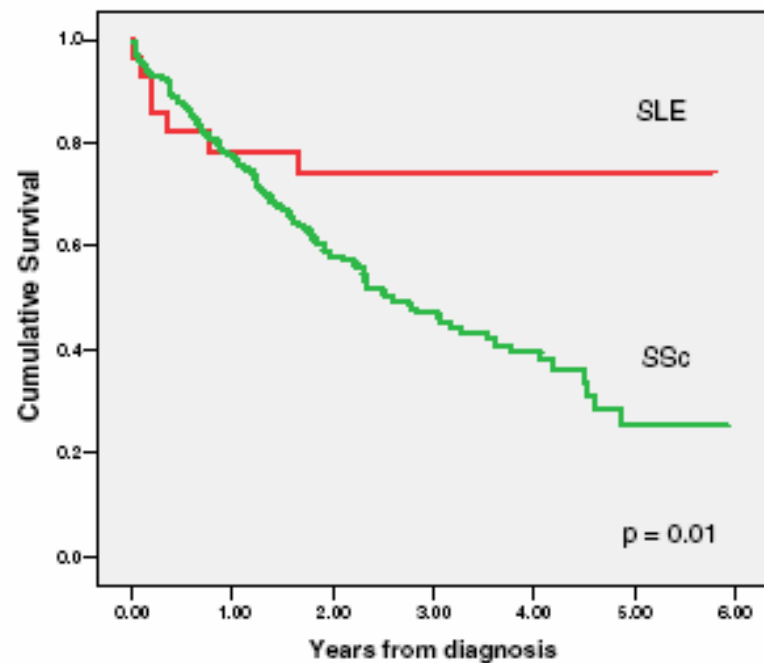
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**Supervivencia**

**1a**

**3a**

|             |            |            |
|-------------|------------|------------|
| <b>LES</b>  | <b>78%</b> | <b>74%</b> |
| <b>EMTC</b> | <b>89%</b> | <b>63%</b> |
| <b>ES</b>   | <b>78%</b> | <b>47%</b> |



|          |                         |     |    |    |    |   |     |
|----------|-------------------------|-----|----|----|----|---|-----|
| <b>5</b> | <b>Patients at risk</b> |     |    |    |    |   |     |
|          | 28                      | 21  | 15 | 12 | 9  | 2 | SLE |
|          | 259                     | 179 | 94 | 53 | 27 | 6 | SSc |

# Immunosuppressive Therapy in Connective Tissue Diseases-Associated Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension\*

Olivier Sanchez, MD; Olivier Sitbon, MD; Xavier Jaïs, MD; Gérald Simonneau, MD; and Marc Humbert, MD, PhD (CHEST 2006; 130:182-189)

**Table 3—Comparison of Patients Who Responded and Did Not Respond to First-Line Immunosuppressive Therapy\***

| Characteristics                      | Improved<br>(n = 8) | p Value | Not Improved<br>(n = 20) |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|---------|--------------------------|
| Age, yr                              | 32 ± 12             |         | 43 ± 18                  |
| Male/female gender, No.              | 1/7                 |         | 4/16                     |
| SLE                                  | 5 (62)              |         | 8 (40)                   |
| MCTD                                 | 3 (38)              |         | 5 (25)                   |
| CREST                                | 0 (0)               |         | 5 (25)                   |
| Other                                | 0 (0)               |         | 2 (10)                   |
| NYHA functional class                |                     |         |                          |
| I                                    | 0 (0)               | < 0.05  | 0 (0)                    |
| II                                   | 3 (38)              | < 0.05  | 5 (25)                   |
| III                                  | 5 (62)              | < 0.05  | 10 (50)                  |
| IV                                   | 0 (0)               |         | 5 (25)                   |
| 6-min walk distance, m               | 294 ± 118†          |         | 240 ± 107‡               |
| Mean right atrial pressure,<br>mm Hg | 5 ± 3               |         | 7 ± 5                    |
| mPAP, mm Hg                          | 49 ± 16             |         | 51 ± 12                  |
| Cardiac index, L/min/m <sup>2</sup>  | 3.1 ± 0.5           | < 0.05  | 2.6 ± 0.7                |
| PVR index, Wood U/m <sup>2</sup>     | 15.6 ± 4            | < 0.05  | 21.4 ± 8                 |
| SvO <sub>2</sub> , %                 | 68 ± 9              |         | 65 ± 8                   |

# Immunosuppressive Therapy in Lupus- and Mixed Connective Tissue Disease–Associated Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension

## A Retrospective Analysis of Twenty-Three Cases

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**Table 1.** Baseline clinical and hemodynamic characteristics of the patients according to first-line therapy of SLE- or MCTD-associated PAH\*

|                                               | Patients treated with first-line immunosuppressants (n = 16) | Patients treated with first-line combination of immunosuppressants and PAH-specific therapy (n = 7) | P      |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Age, mean ± SD years                          | 31 ± 10                                                      | 38 ± 9                                                                                              | NS     |
| Men/women                                     | 2/14                                                         | 1/6                                                                                                 | NS     |
| SLE/MCTD                                      | 9/7                                                          | 4/3                                                                                                 | NS     |
| Autoantibodies                                |                                                              |                                                                                                     |        |
| Anti-dsDNA                                    | 8                                                            | 4                                                                                                   | NS     |
| Anti-RNP                                      | 11                                                           | 3                                                                                                   | NS     |
| Anti-SSA/SSB                                  | 5                                                            | 3                                                                                                   | NS     |
| Anti-Sm                                       | 6                                                            | 2                                                                                                   | NS     |
| SLEDAI-2K score (range 0–105), mean ± SD      | 4.0 ± 4.8                                                    | 5.0 ± 5.3                                                                                           | NS     |
| NYHA functional class                         |                                                              |                                                                                                     |        |
| I                                             | 0                                                            | 0                                                                                                   | <0.05  |
| II                                            | 7                                                            | 0                                                                                                   |        |
| III                                           | 9                                                            | 6                                                                                                   |        |
| IV                                            | 0                                                            | 1                                                                                                   |        |
| Six-minute walking distance, mean ± SD meters | 347 ± 80                                                     | 381 ± 71                                                                                            | NS     |
| Mean right atrial pressure, mean ± SD mm Hg   | 5 ± 4                                                        | 7 ± 2                                                                                               | NS     |
| mPAP, mean ± SD mm Hg                         | 48 ± 12                                                      | 58 ± 10                                                                                             | <0.05  |
| CI, mean ± SD liters/minute/m <sup>2</sup>    | 3.3 ± 1.0                                                    | 2.2 ± 0.3                                                                                           | <0.001 |
| PVR, mean ± SD mm Hg/liter/minute             | 8.6 ± 3.5                                                    | 14.3 ± 1.3                                                                                          | <0.001 |
| SvO <sub>2</sub> , mean ± SD %                | 66 ± 8                                                       | 60 ± 5                                                                                              | 0.07   |

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CF III-IV vasodilatadores

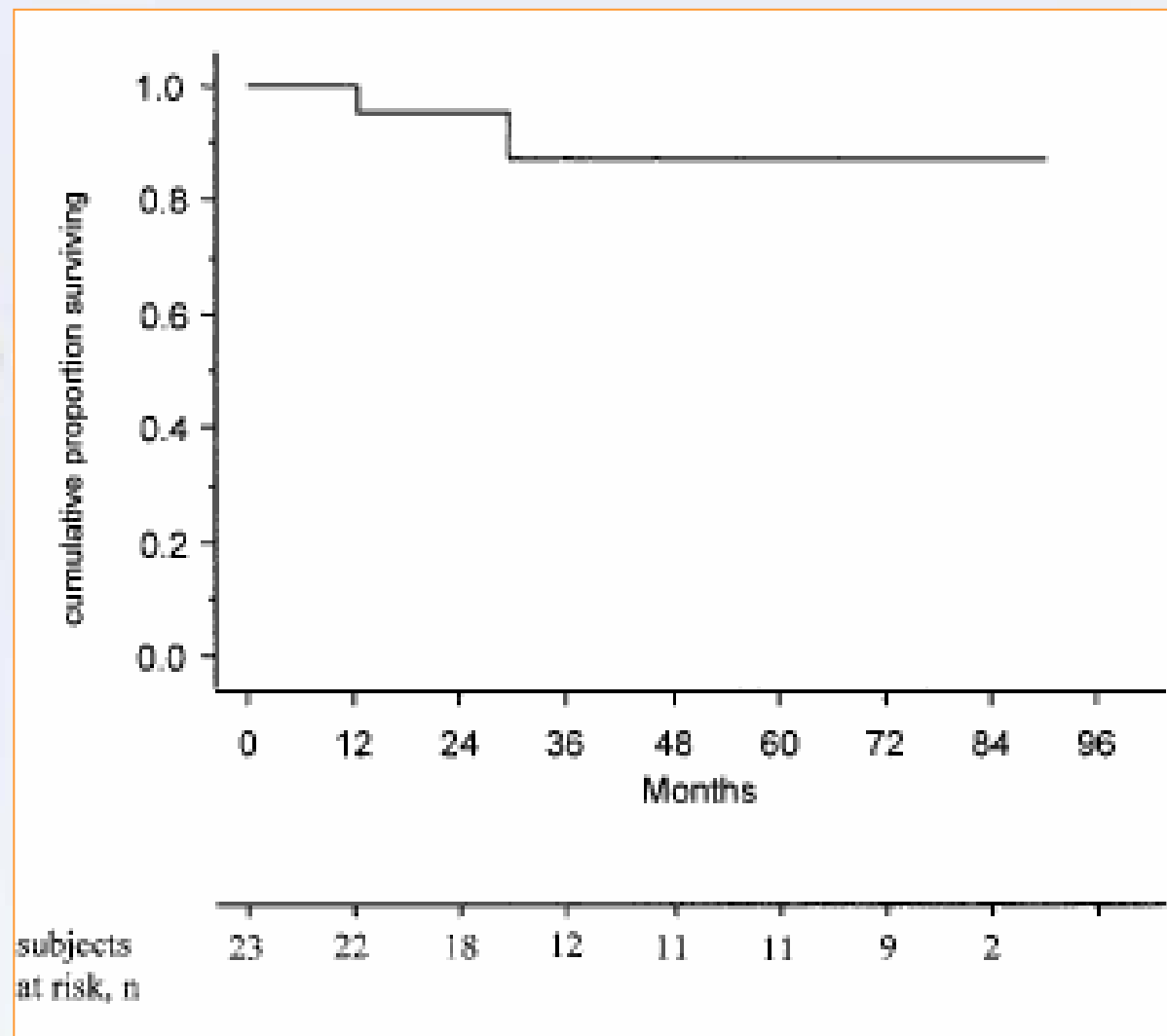
**Table 2.** Comparison of clinical and hemodynamic characteristics before and after the cyclophosphamide pulses between patients who were responders and patients who were nonresponders to the immunosuppressive therapy alone\*

|                                                                                              | Baseline (before cyclophosphamide pulses) |                          |          | After cyclophosphamide pulses |                          |          |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|----------|
|                                                                                              | Responders<br>(n = 8)                     | Nonresponders<br>(n = 8) | <i>P</i> | Responders<br>(n = 8)         | Nonresponders<br>(n = 8) | <i>P</i> |
| Age, mean $\pm$ SD years                                                                     | 29 $\pm$ 9                                | 34 $\pm$ 11              | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| Men/women                                                                                    | 0/8                                       | 2/6                      | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| SLE/MCTD                                                                                     | 4/4                                       | 5/3                      | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| Time between diagnosis of SLE or MCTD and first cyclophosphamide pulse, mean $\pm$ SD months | 72 $\pm$ 90                               | 78 $\pm$ 80              | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| Autoantibodies                                                                               |                                           |                          |          |                               |                          |          |
| Anti-dsDNA                                                                                   | 6                                         | 2                        | 0.07     | —                             | —                        | —        |
| Anti-RNP                                                                                     | 7                                         | 4                        | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| Anti-SSA/SSB                                                                                 | 4                                         | 1                        | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| Anti-Sm                                                                                      | 5                                         | 1                        | 0.07     | —                             | —                        | —        |
| SLEDAI-2K score (range 0–105), mean $\pm$ SD                                                 | 6.0 $\pm$ 6.1                             | 2.4 $\pm$ 3.4            | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| SLEDAI-2K score $\leq$ 3                                                                     | 2                                         | 4                        | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| SLEDAI-2K score $>$ 3                                                                        | 2                                         | 1                        | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| NYHA functional class                                                                        |                                           |                          | $<0.05$  |                               |                          | $<0.001$ |
| I                                                                                            | 0                                         | 0                        |          | 7†                            | 0                        |          |
| II                                                                                           | 6                                         | 1                        |          | 1                             | 0                        |          |
| III                                                                                          | 2                                         | 7                        |          | 0                             | 8                        |          |
| IV                                                                                           | 0                                         | 0                        |          | 0                             | 0                        |          |
| Six-minute walking distance, mean $\pm$ SD meters                                            | 331 $\pm$ 78                              | 362 $\pm$ 84             | NS       | 446 $\pm$ 43†                 | 336 $\pm$ 94             | $<0.05$  |
| Mean right atrial pressure, mean $\pm$ SD mm Hg                                              | 5 $\pm$ 4                                 | 5 $\pm$ 3                | NS       | 3 $\pm$ 2                     | 9 $\pm$ 5‡               | $<0.01$  |
| mPAP, mean $\pm$ SD mm Hg                                                                    | 44 $\pm$ 15                               | 51 $\pm$ 7               | NS       | 35 $\pm$ 10‡                  | 54 $\pm$ 11              | $<0.01$  |
| CI, mean $\pm$ SD liters/minute/m <sup>2</sup>                                               | 3.8 $\pm$ 0.9                             | 2.7 $\pm$ 0.3            | $<0.05$  | 3.5 $\pm$ 0.6                 | 2.5 $\pm$ 0.5            | $<0.01$  |
| PVR, mean $\pm$ SD mm Hg/liter/minute                                                        | 6.6 $\pm$ 3.3                             | 10.6 $\pm$ 2.5           | $<0.05$  | 5.6 $\pm$ 2.3                 | 13.6 $\pm$ 7.4           | $<0.01$  |
| SvO <sub>2</sub> , mean $\pm$ SD %                                                           | 67 $\pm$ 8                                | 64 $\pm$ 7               | NS       | 71 $\pm$ 5                    | 59 $\pm$ 7               | $<0.01$  |

**Respondedores: Mejoría CF**  
**PAPm < 40mmHg**  
**IC normal**

**Table 3.** Comparison of clinical and hemodynamic characteristics before and after the cyclophosphamide pulses between patients who were responders and patients who were nonresponders in the combination (immunosuppressants plus PAH-specific therapy) group\*

|                                                                                                    | Baseline (before cyclophosphamide pulses) |                          |          | After cyclophosphamide pulses |                          |          |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|----------|
|                                                                                                    | Responders<br>(n = 4)                     | Nonresponders<br>(n = 3) | <i>P</i> | Responders<br>(n = 4)         | Nonresponders<br>(n = 3) | <i>P</i> |
| Age, mean $\pm$ SD years                                                                           | 30 $\pm$ 6                                | 48 $\pm$ 5               | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| Men/women                                                                                          | 1/3                                       | 0/3                      | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| SLE/MCTD                                                                                           | 2/2                                       | 2/1                      | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| Time between diagnosis of SLE or MCTD<br>and first cyclophosphamide pulse, mean $\pm$<br>SD months | 131 $\pm$ 88                              | 80 $\pm$ 57              | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| Autoantibodies                                                                                     |                                           |                          |          |                               |                          |          |
| Anti-dsDNA                                                                                         | 3                                         | 1                        | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| Anti-RNP                                                                                           | 2                                         | 1                        | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| Anti-SSA/SSB                                                                                       | 2                                         | 1                        | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| Anti-Sm                                                                                            | 2                                         | 0                        | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| SLEDAI-2K score (range 0–105), mean $\pm$ SD                                                       | 6.0 $\pm$ 8.5                             | 4.0 $\pm$ 2.8            | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| SLEDAI-2K score $\leq$ 3                                                                           | 1                                         | 2                        | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| SLEDAI-2K score $>$ 3                                                                              | 1                                         | 0                        | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |
| NYHA functional class                                                                              |                                           |                          | NS       |                               |                          | $<0.05$  |
| I                                                                                                  | 0                                         | 0                        |          | 0                             | 0                        |          |
| II                                                                                                 | 0                                         | 0                        |          | 4†                            | 0                        |          |
| III                                                                                                | 4                                         | 2                        |          | 0                             | 3                        |          |
| IV                                                                                                 | 0                                         | 1                        |          | 0                             | 0                        |          |
| Six-minute walking distance, mean $\pm$ SD<br>meters                                               | 345 $\pm$ 72                              | 428 $\pm$ 39             | NS       | 403 $\pm$ 120                 | 454 $\pm$ 33             | NS       |
| Mean right atrial pressure, mean $\pm$ SD mm<br>Hg                                                 | 7 $\pm$ 3                                 | 7 $\pm$ 1                | NS       | 3 $\pm$ 3‡                    | 9 $\pm$ 2                | $<0.05$  |
| mPAP, mean $\pm$ SD mm Hg                                                                          | 58 $\pm$ 6                                | 58 $\pm$ 15              | NS       | 41 $\pm$ 9‡                   | 56 $\pm$ 13              | 0.07     |
| CI, mean $\pm$ SD liters/minute/m <sup>2</sup>                                                     | 2.2 $\pm$ 0.2                             | 2.1 $\pm$ 0.3            | NS       | 3.4 $\pm$ 0.3‡                | 2.1 $\pm$ 0.3            | $<0.05$  |
| PVR, mean $\pm$ SD mm Hg/liter/minute                                                              | 13.6 $\pm$ 1.3                            | 15.1 $\pm$ 0.5           | NS       | 6.7 $\pm$ 3.1‡                | 14.4 $\pm$ 0.7           | $<0.05$  |
| SvO <sub>2</sub> , mean $\pm$ SD %                                                                 | 59 $\pm$ 6                                | 61 $\pm$ 5               | NS       | 77 $\pm$ 16‡                  | 54 $\pm$ 7               | $<0.05$  |
| Bosentan/epoprostenol/treprostinil                                                                 | 3/1/0                                     | 0/2/1                    | NS       | —                             | —                        | —        |





# HTAP en la Esclerodermia. Prevalencia

Salerni RM. 10 casos, 1977

Ungerer RG. **33%**, 1983

Koh ET. **4.9%**, 1996

Battle RW. **35%**, 1996

Candell J. **14%**, 1996

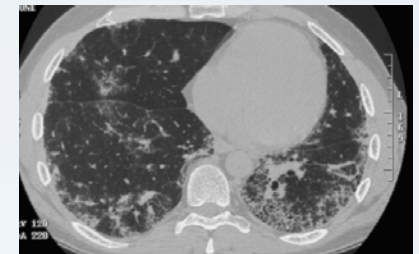
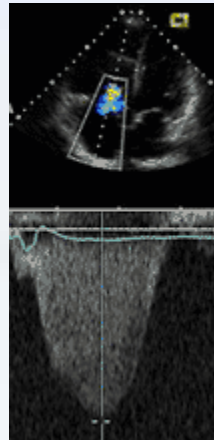
MacGregor AJ. **13%**, 2001

Pope JE. **21-26%**, 2005

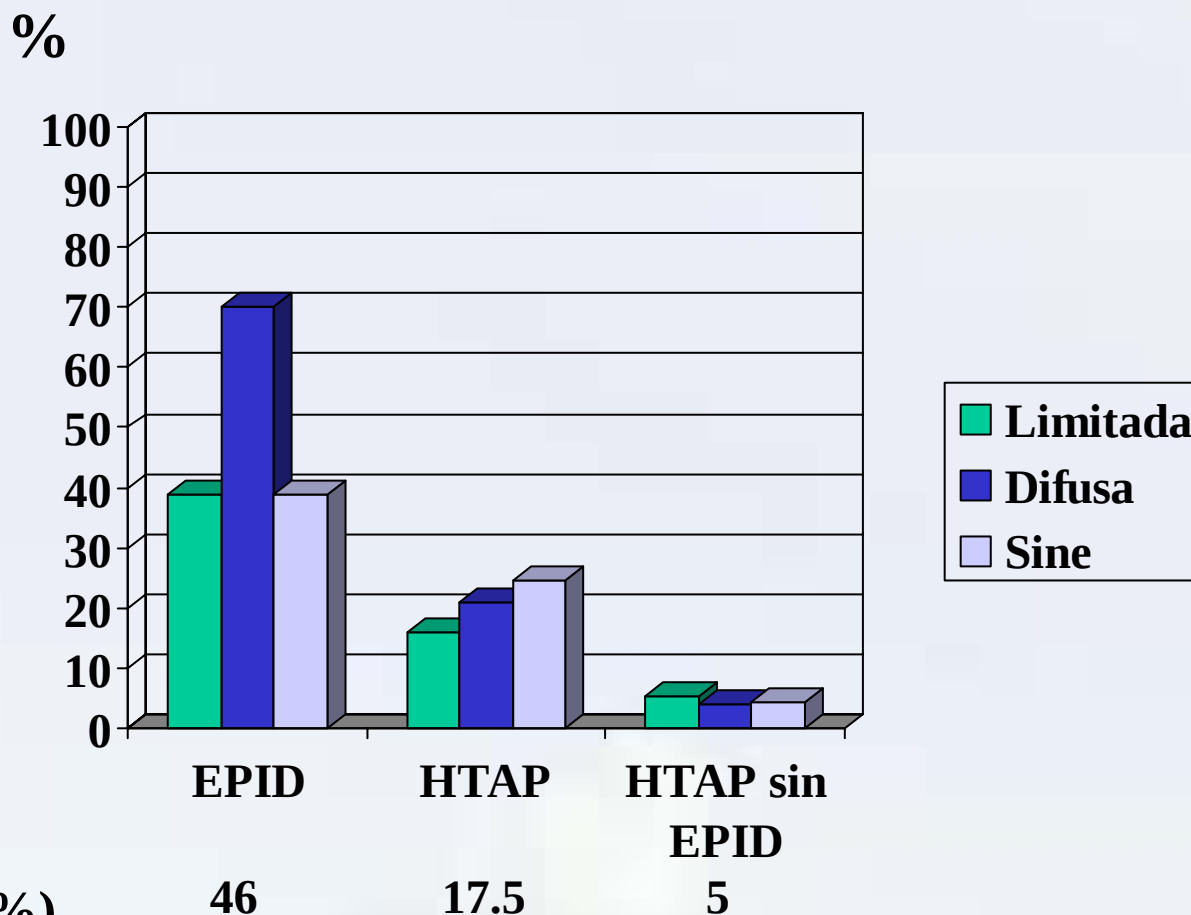
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**14 % – 19 %**  
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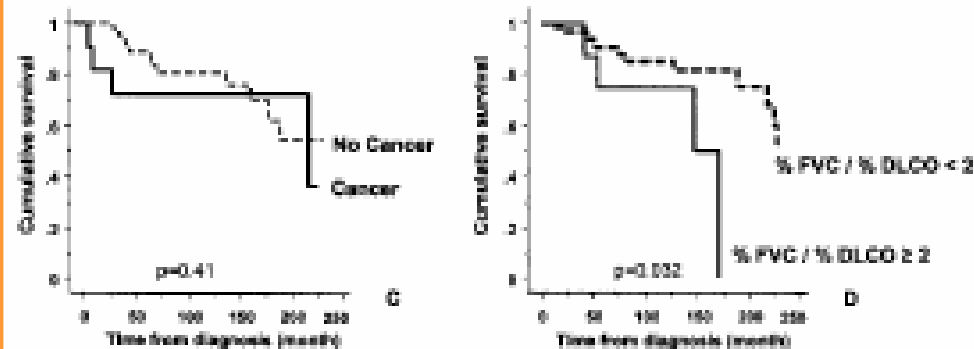


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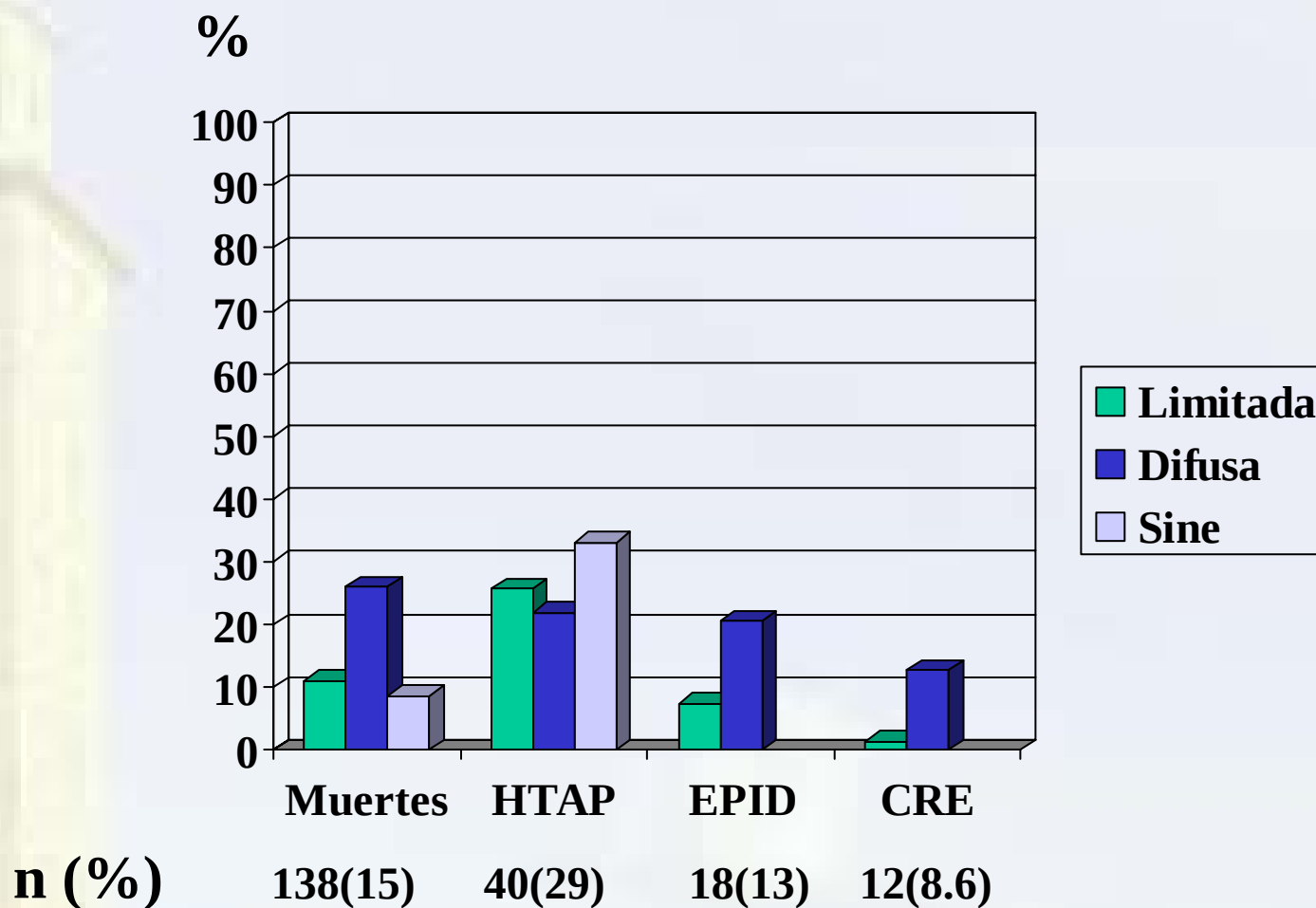
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## Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension Is a Major Mortality Factor in Diffuse Systemic Sclerosis, Independent of Interstitial Lung Disease

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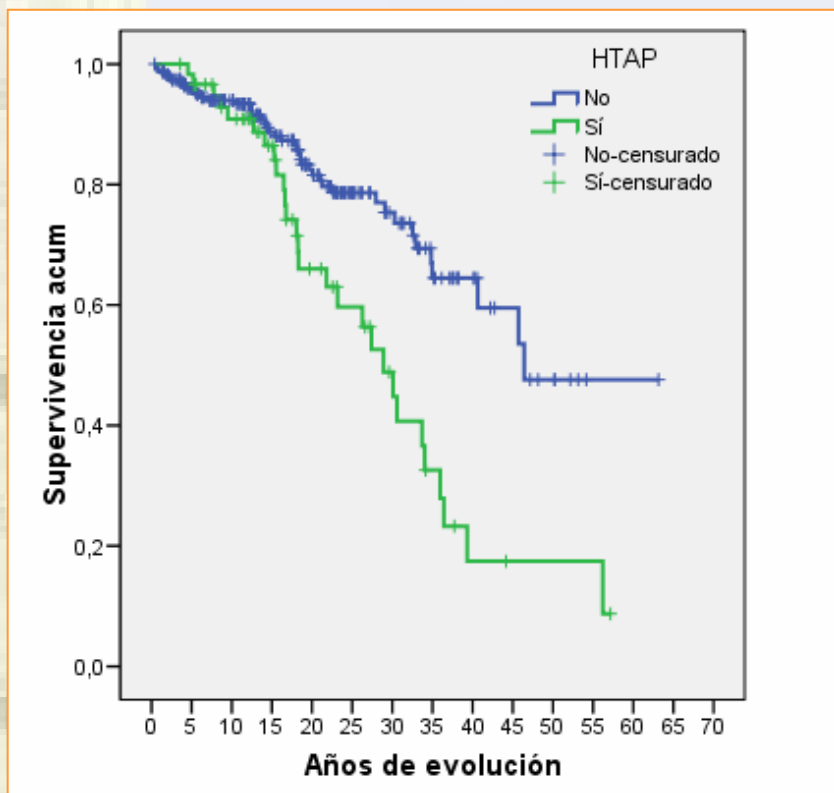
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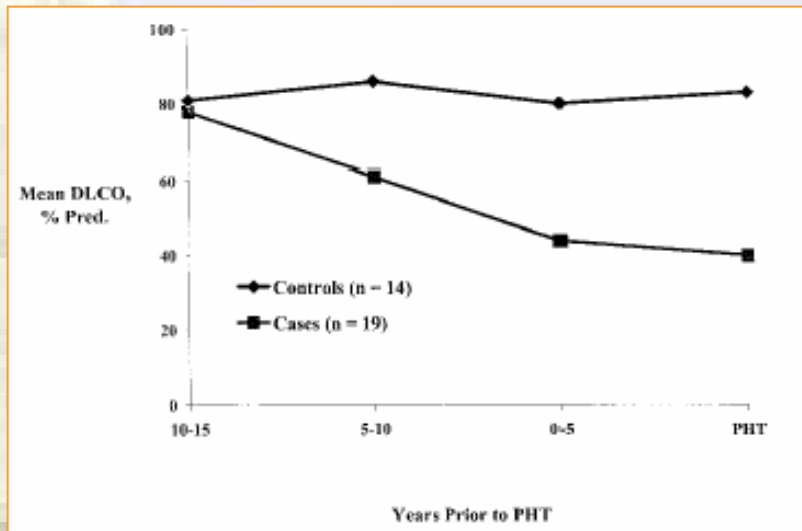
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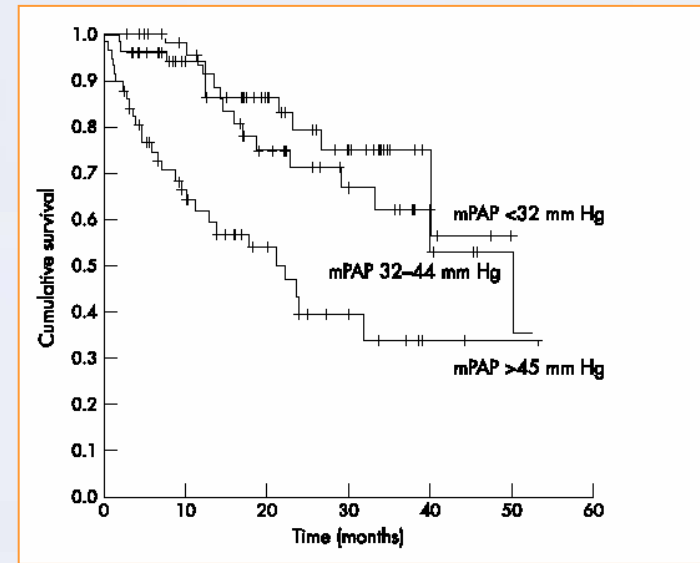
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|----------------------|--------|----------|
| Esclerodermia difusa | 2,730  | 0,001    |
| Edad de comienzo     | 1,079  | 0,0001   |
| Fibrosis pulmonar    | 2,463  | 0,003    |
| HTAP                 | 2,802  | 0,0001   |
| Crisis renal         | 30,062 | 0,0001   |

Hospital Vall d'Hebron, n=317

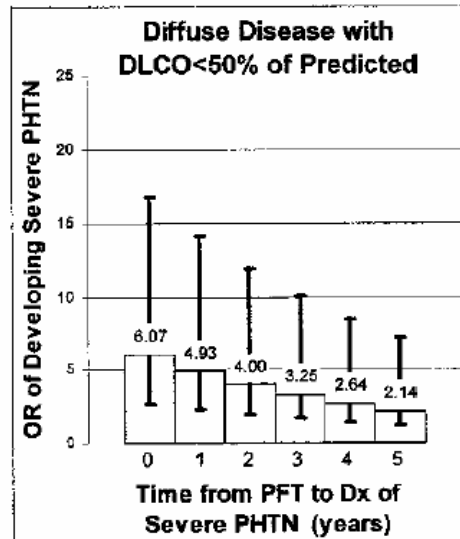
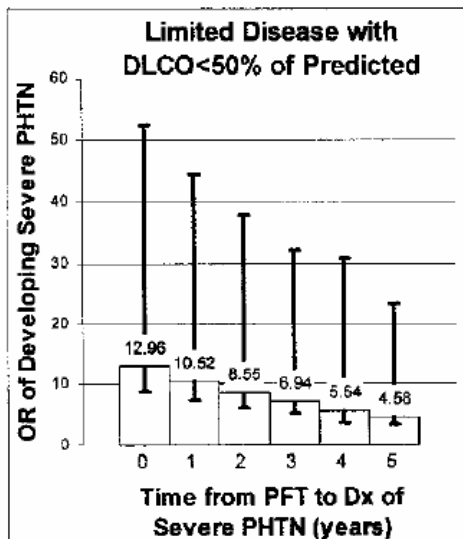
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Stenn V. et al. Arthritis Rheum. 2003;48:516



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Forma limitada  
Edad ↑  
Evol > 15 años  
FR grave  
Úlceras digitales  
Acs. Anticentrómero  
DLco baja  
Relación CVF/DLco > 1.8  
PAPs: elevada  
BNP

## Screening for PAH in patients with systemic sclerosis: focus on Doppler echocardiography

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TABLE 1. Overview on echo Doppler parameters used for PAH screening in SSc patients

| Author        | Source                         | Setting                                               | SSc patients<br><i>n</i> | Doppler parameter primarily used for screening                                                                        |
|---------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Murata        | Jpn Circ J 1992;56:983         | Univ. centre Japan                                    | 71                       | VTR                                                                                                                   |
| Battle        | Chest 1996;110:1515            | Univ. centre USA                                      | 34                       | sPAP $\geq 30$ mmHg                                                                                                   |
| Murata        | Chest 1997;111:36              | Univ. centre Japan                                    | 135                      | sPAP $\geq 40$ mmHg                                                                                                   |
| Denton        | Br J Rheumatol 1997;36:239     | Univ. centre UK                                       | 33                       | sPAP $\geq 30$ mmHg                                                                                                   |
| Mukerjee      | Ann Rheum Dis 2003;62:1088     | Univ. centre UK (mostly)                              | 794                      | sPAP $> 35$ mmHg (or DL <sub>CO</sub> $< 50\%$ predicted, or precipitous fall in DL <sub>CO</sub> $> 20\%$ over 1 yr) |
| Mukerjee      | Rheumatology 2004;43:461       | Univ. centre UK                                       | 137                      | Tricuspid gradient (range 30–40 mmHg); elevated sPAP                                                                  |
| Hachulla      | Arthritis Rheum 2005;52:3792   | 21 Univ. centres France<br>(‘ItinérAIR Sclérodermie’) | 599                      | VTR $\geq 3$ m/s or VTR 2.5–3 m/s (plus unexplained dyspnoea)                                                         |
| Wigley        | Arthritis Rheum 2005; 52:2125  | 50 Rheumatol. practices USA                           | 669 <i>de novo</i>       | (Estimated) RVSP $\geq 40$ mmHg                                                                                       |
| Kiatchoosakun | J Med Assoc Thai 2007;90:2024  | Univ. centre Thailand                                 | 129                      | RVSP $> 36$ mmHg                                                                                                      |
| Hsu           | J Rheumatol 2008; online first | Univ. centre USA                                      | 49                       | RVSP $> 47$ mmHg (optimal cutpoint compared with RHC)                                                                 |

RAP: right atrial pressure; sPAP: systolic pulmonary artery pressure; TL<sub>CO</sub>: carbon monoxide transfer factor.

## Rheumatology key messages

- SSc patients have a high incidence and prevalence of PAH.
- Despite important limitations, Doppler echocardiography currently represents the screening method of choice according to recent PAH guidelines.
- A RHC is mandatory to confirm the diagnosis.
- A number of predisposing factors may help to identify SSc patients at particularly high risk of developing PAH.

# Assessment of Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension in Patients with Systemic Sclerosis: Comparison of Noninvasive Tests with Results of Right-Heart Catheterization

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*Table 3.* Performance statistics of noninvasive tests compared to pulmonary hypertension determined by right-heart catheterization criteria.

| Test (Measure)       | Cutpoint  | ROC AUC (95% CI)    | TP, FP<br>FN, TN | PPV/NPV, % | Sensitivity,<br>Specificity, % | + LR/-LR  |
|----------------------|-----------|---------------------|------------------|------------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| MRI, PA diameter     | > 28 mm   | 0.78<br>(0.65–0.91) | 17, 7<br>8, 17   | 71/68      | 68/71                          | 2.3/0.45  |
| MRI, PA velocity     | < 66 cm/s | 0.70<br>(0.55–0.86) | 12, 9<br>9, 12   | 57/57      | 57/57                          | 1.3/0.75  |
| Echo, estimated RVSP | > 47 mmHg | 0.84<br>(0.72–0.95) | 14, 1<br>10, 24  | 93/71      | 58/96                          | 14.6/0.43 |
| PFT, FVC/DLCO ratio  | > 2.0     | 0.76<br>(0.62–0.90) | 17, 7<br>7, 18   | 71/72      | 71/72                          | 2.5/0.41  |

**Conclusion.** In evaluation of SSc with suspected PH, echo appeared to be the most useful among the noninvasive tests, mainly due to the high specificity, high positive predictive value, and highest AUC. However, due to the low sensitivity of noninvasive testing, RHC should remain the gold standard.

# Prevalence of Exercise Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension in Scleroderma

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**N=41**

**PAPS > 55mmHg = 19.5 %**

**Correlación: DLCO bajas  
BNP altos**

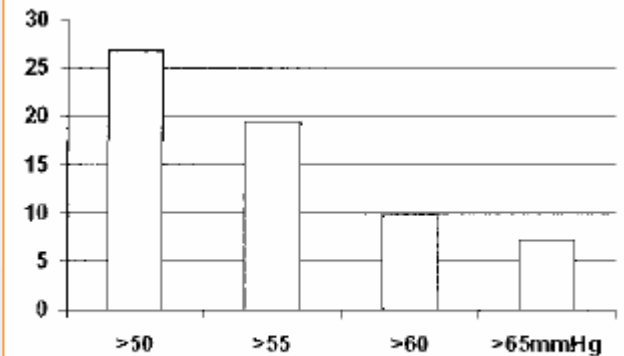


Figure 1. Prevalence of sPAP (mm Hg) during exercise using different cut-off.

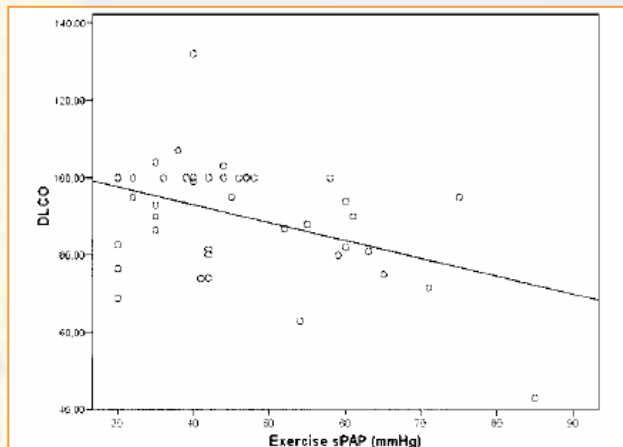


Figure 2. Correlation between sPAP (mm Hg) and DLCO (% predicted);  $r = -0.4$ ,  $p = 0.008$ .

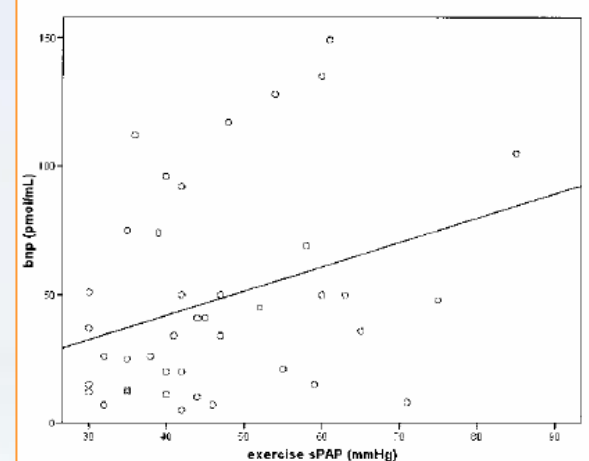
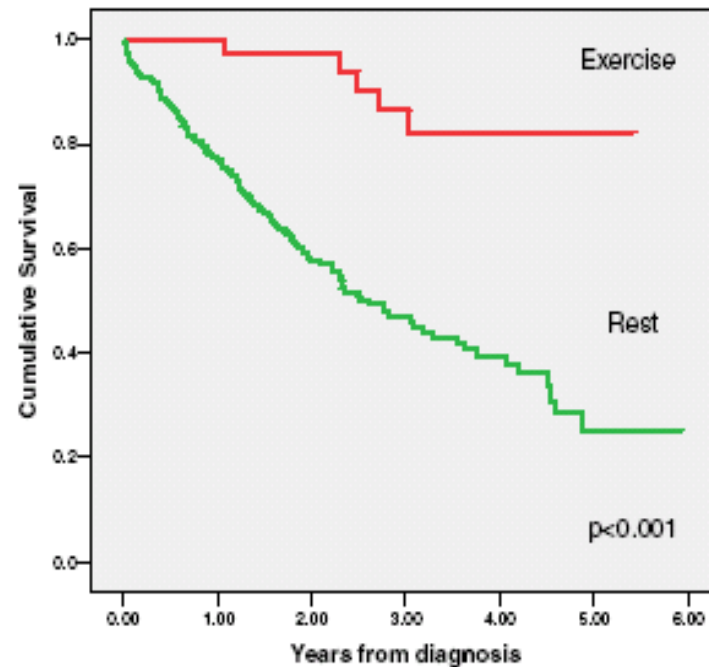


Figure 3. Correlation between sPAP (mm Hg) and BNP (pmol/ml);  $r = 0.31$ ,  $p = 0.04$ .

## Connective tissue disease associated pulmonary arterial hypertension in the modern treatment era



| Patients at risk |     |     |    |    |    |   |          |
|------------------|-----|-----|----|----|----|---|----------|
| 4                | 42  | 36  | 32 | 23 | 6  | 4 | exercise |
|                  | 259 | 179 | 94 | 53 | 27 | 6 | rest     |

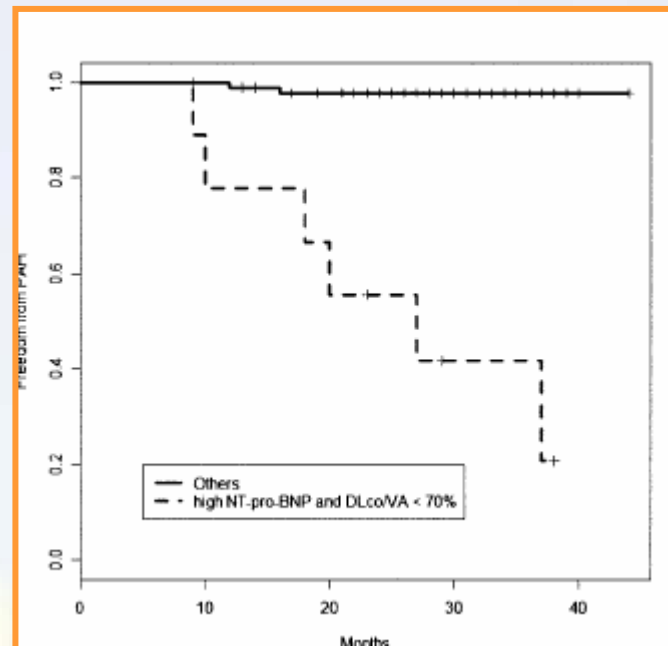
HTAP reposo= 19 %

838±477

Muertes= 5

## High N-Terminal Pro-Brain Natriuretic Peptide Levels and Low Diffusing Capacity for Carbon Monoxide as Independent Predictors of the Occurrence of Precapillary Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension in Patients with Systemic Sclerosis

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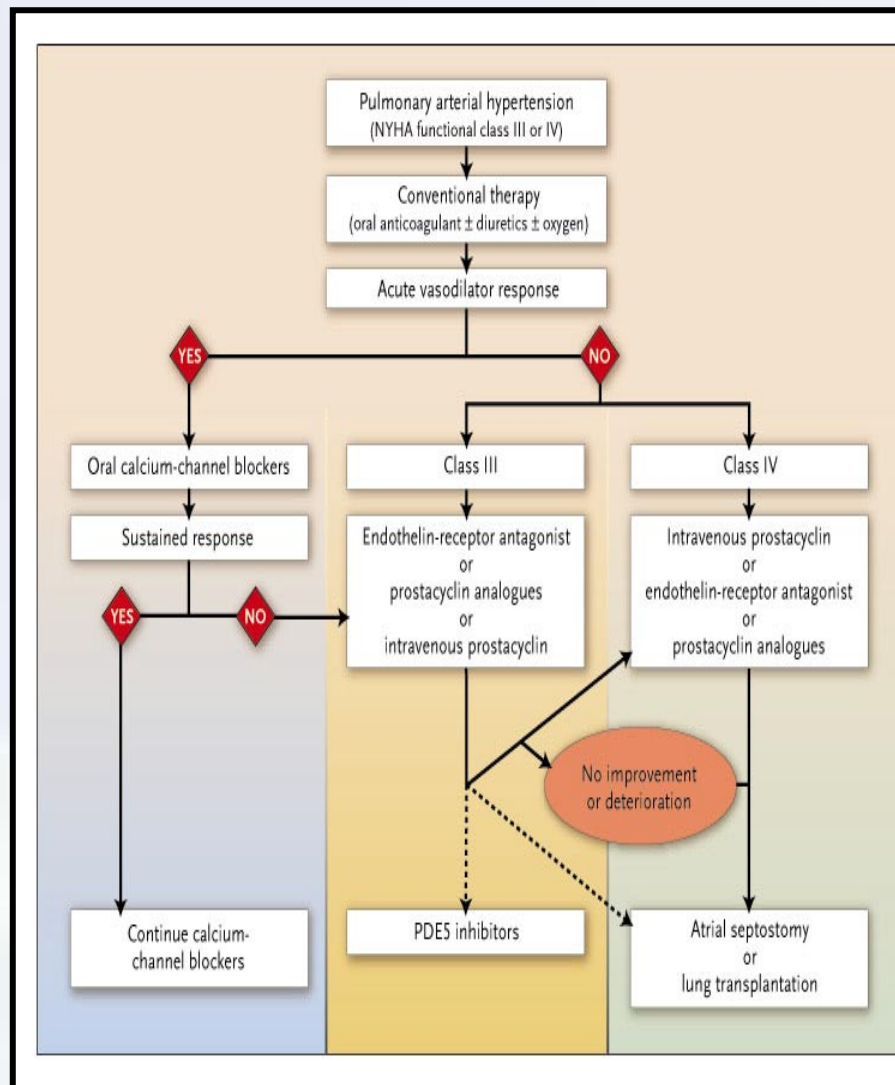
# HTAP en la Esclerodermia. Tratamiento.

## Análogos prostanoïdes:

Epoprostenol i.v. (20-40ng/kg/min) (CF IV; A)

Treprostinil s.c. (20-80ng/kg/min) (CF III; A)

Iloprost inh. (5µg/inh/4h) (CF III; A)



# Hemodynamics and Survival in Patients With Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension Related to Systemic Sclerosis\*

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(CHEST 2003; 123:344-350)

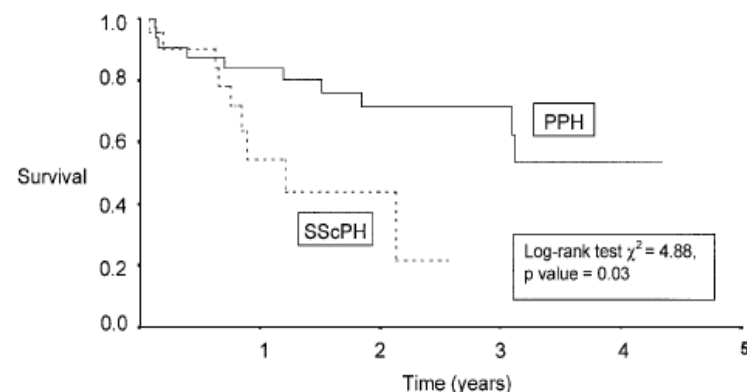
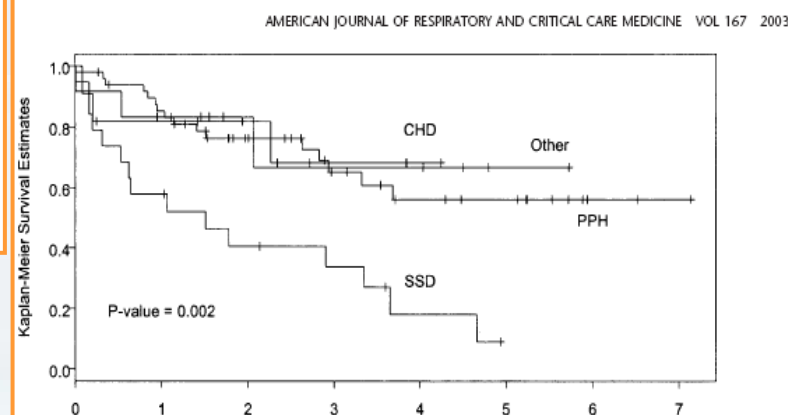


FIGURE 1. Kaplan-Meier survival estimates of patients with SSsCPH and PPH.

# Outcome in 91 Consecutive Patients with Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension Receiving Epoprostenol

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# HTAP en la Esclerodermia. Tratamiento.

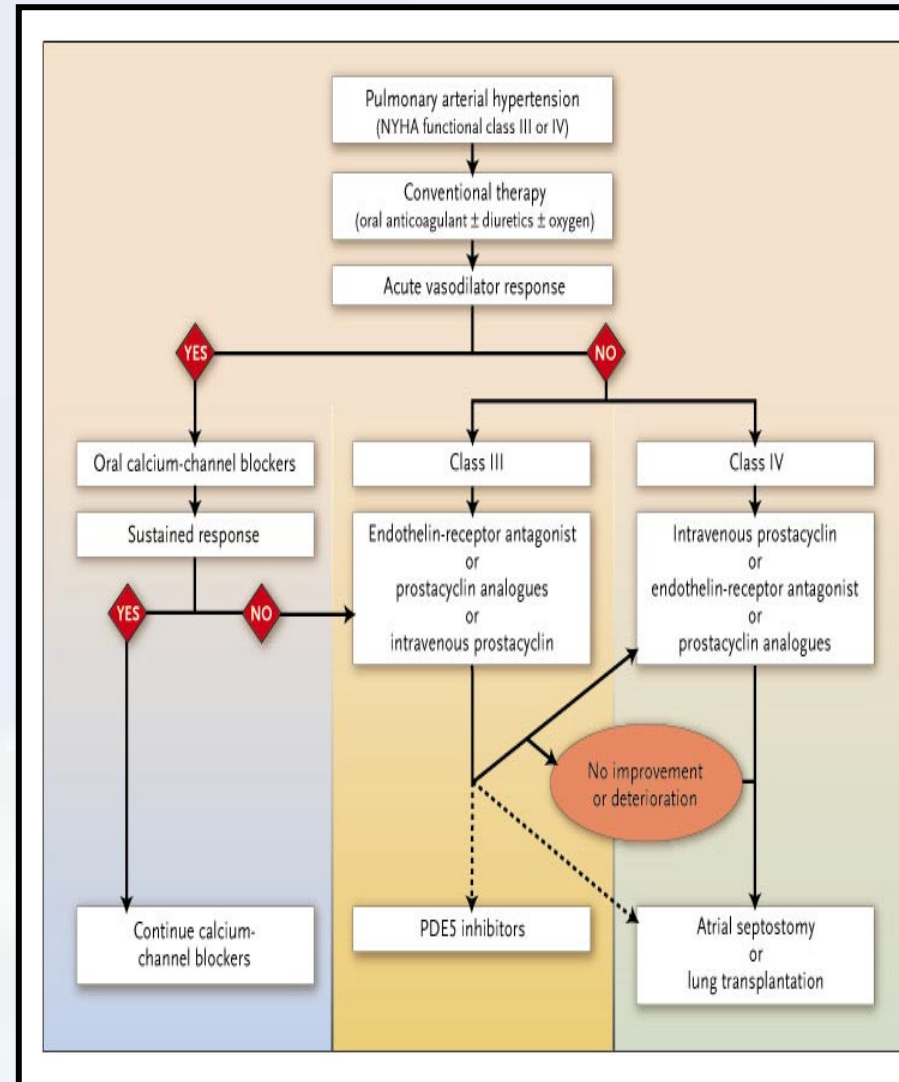
## Antagonistas receptores endotelina: (CFIII; A)

Bosentan oral (125mg/12h) (CFII;A)

Sitaxsentan oral (100mg/d)

## Inhibidores fosfodiesterasa: (CFII-III;A)

Sildenafil oral (20-80mg/8h)



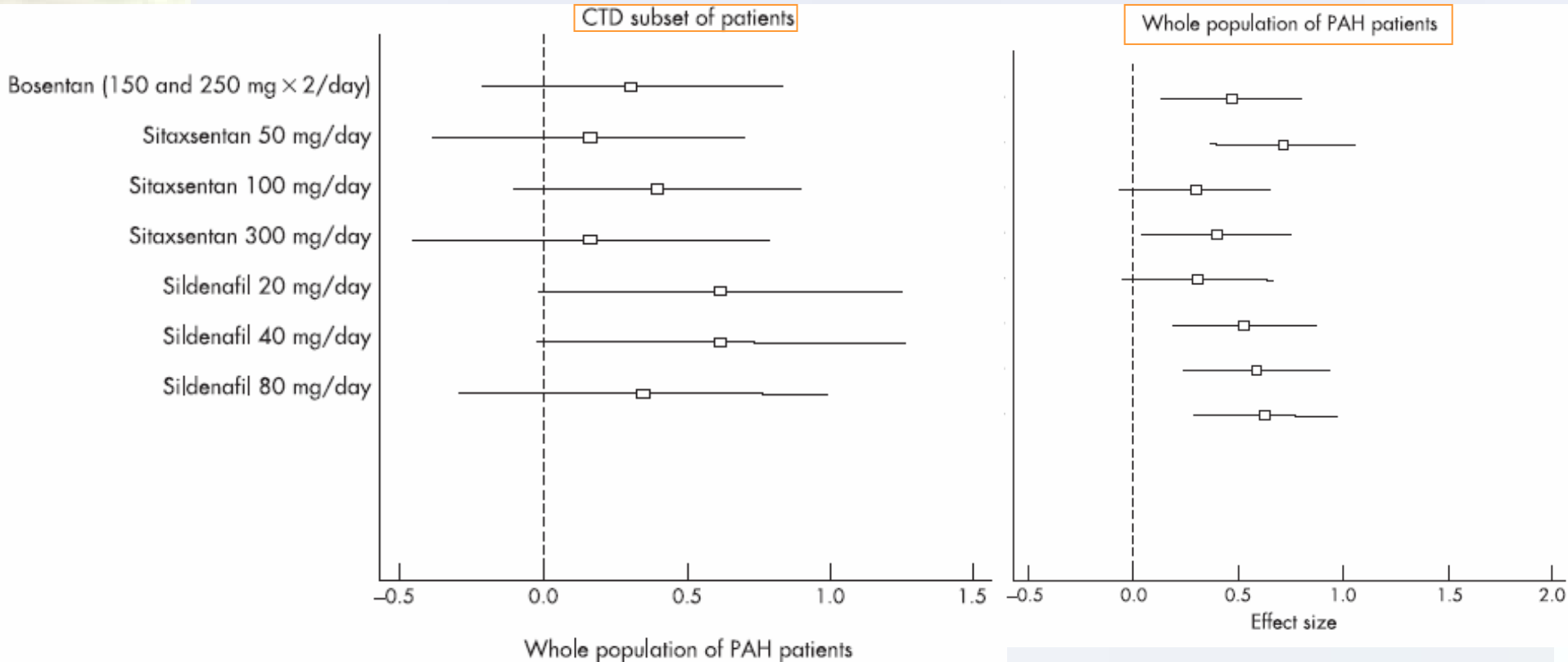
# Effects of oral treatments on exercise capacity in systemic sclerosis related pulmonary arterial hypertension: a meta-analysis of randomised controlled trials

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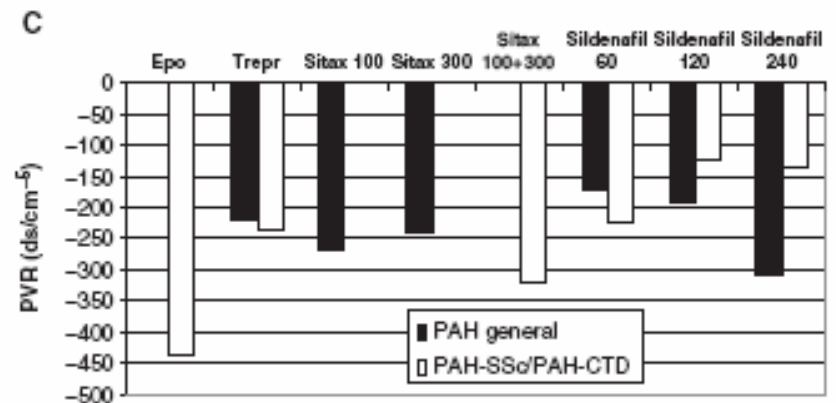
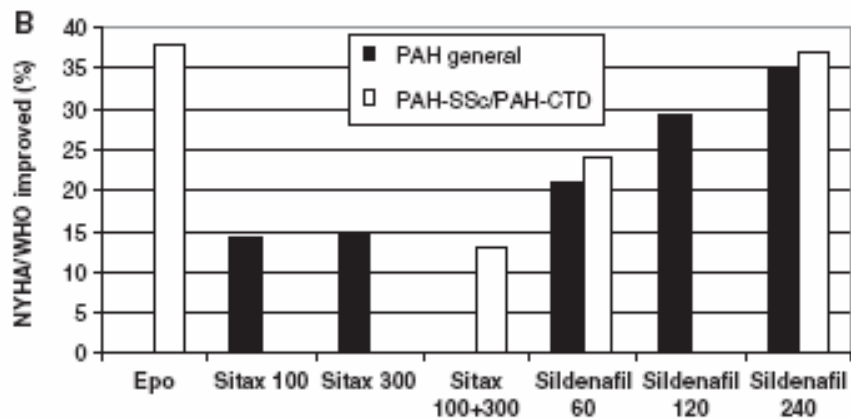
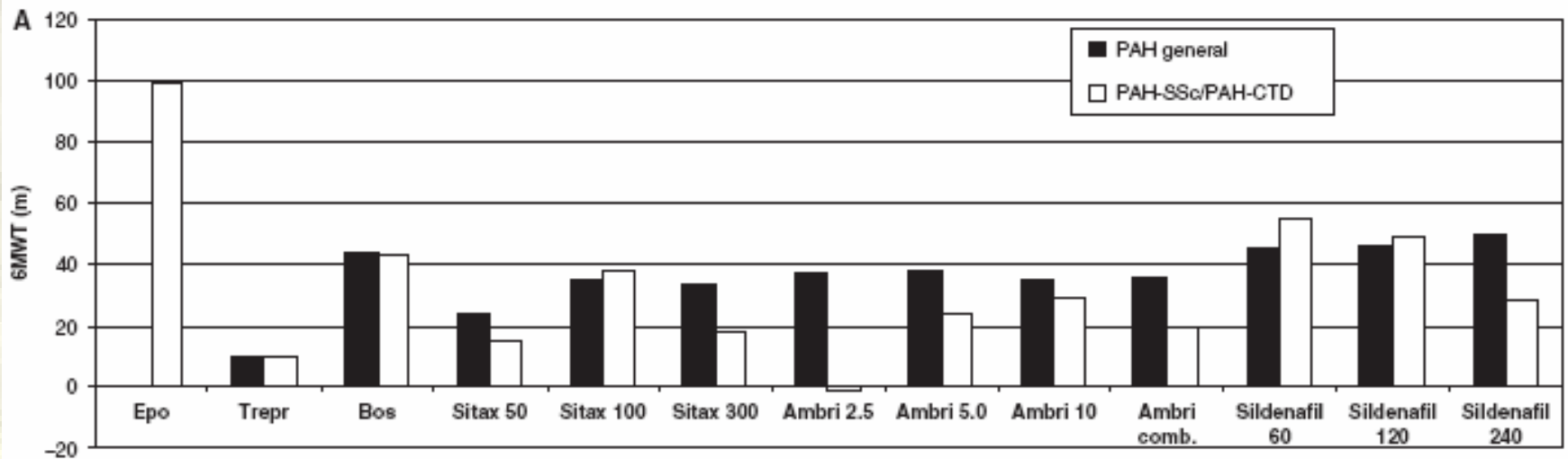
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analysis: 11

Pacientes= 613  
ES-tto= 186  
ES-pbo= 72



# HTAP en la Esclerodermia. Respuesta al tratamiento.



# Systemic sclerosis associated pulmonary hypertension: improved survival in the current era

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**Grupo histórico**

**47**

**ERA**

**45**

**1a**

**68 %**

**81 %**

**2a**

**47 %**

**71 %**

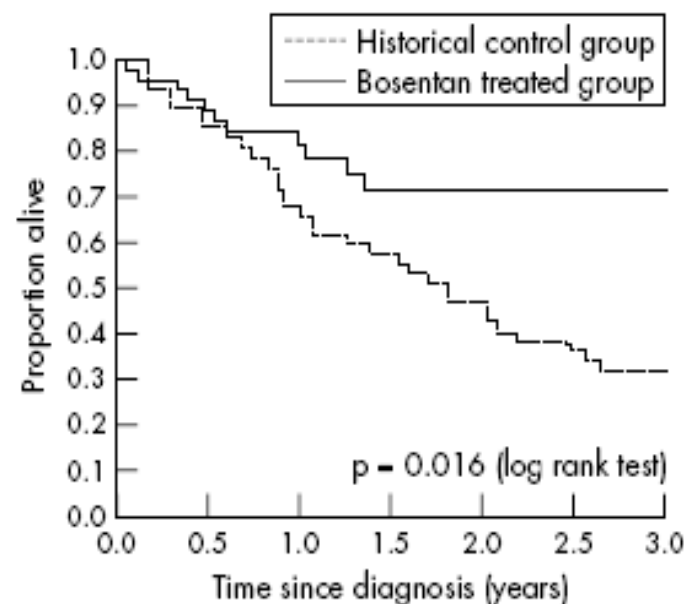


Figure 1 Kaplan-Meier analysis showing mortality among patients with systemic sclerosis associated pulmonary arterial hypertension (SSc-PAH). Historical group: one year survival 68%, two year survival 47%; current treatment era group: one year survival 81%, two year survival 71%.

# Long-term effects of bosentan on quality of life, survival, safety and tolerability in pulmonary arterial hypertension related to connective tissue diseases

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(on behalf of the TRacleer Use in PAH associated with Scleroderma and Connective Tissue Diseases (TRUST) Investigators) *Ann Rheum Dis* 2008;**67**:1222–1228. doi:10.1136/ard.2007.079921

**N=53**

Aetiology, n (%):

|                                 |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Limited systemic sclerosis      | 29 (55%) |
| Diffuse systemic sclerosis      | 13 (25%) |
| Mixed connective tissue disease | 6 (11%)  |
| Systemic lupus erythaematosus   | 5 (9%)   |

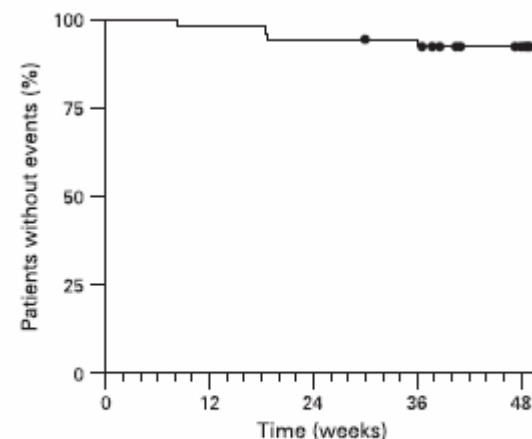
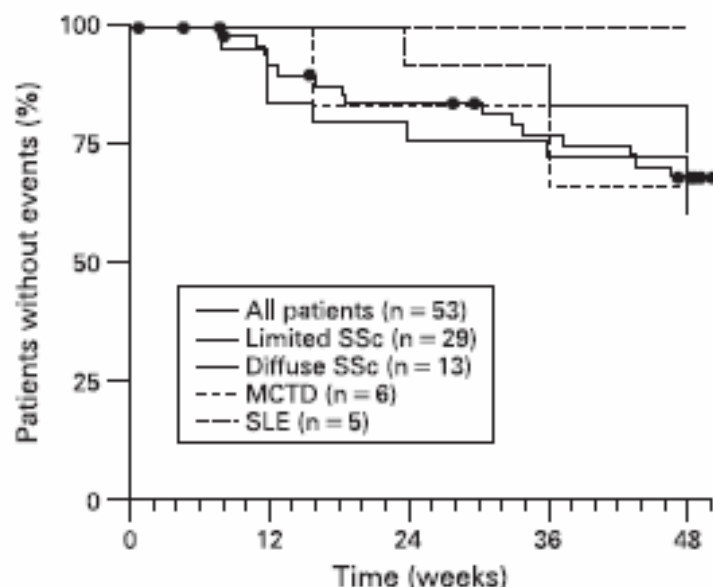


Figure 3 Kaplan-Meier estimates of survival (deaths occurring after treatment discontinuation for an adverse event were counted as an event). The Kaplan-Meier estimate was 92% (95% CI 85–100%) at week 48.

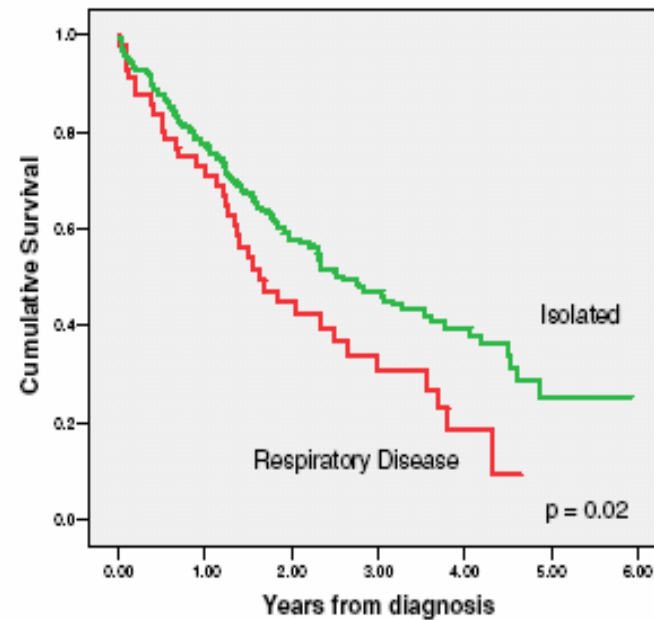
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Supervivencia

1 2 3

HTAP aislada  
(n=259)

78 58 47



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**Patients at risk**

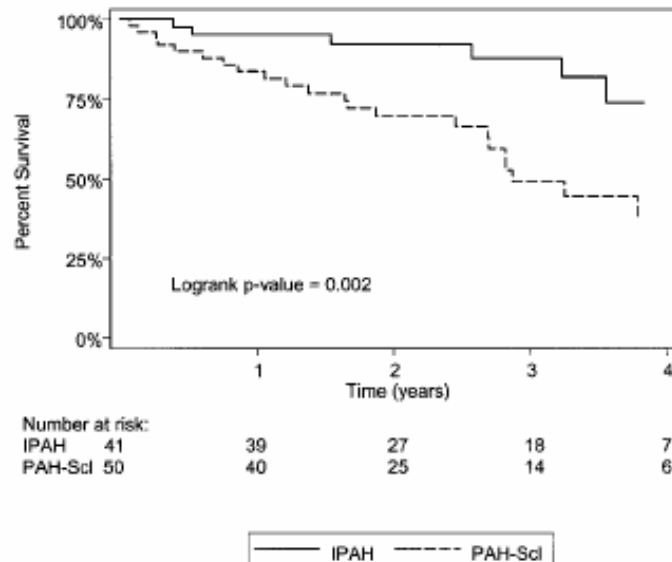
| Years from diagnosis | 0   | 1   | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5 | 6 |
|----------------------|-----|-----|----|----|----|---|---|
| Isolated             | 259 | 179 | 94 | 53 | 27 | 6 |   |
| Respiratory disease  | 56  | 38  | 18 | 10 | 3  |   |   |

## Clinical Differences Between Idiopathic and Scleroderma-Related Pulmonary Hypertension

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**Table 3.** Baseline echocardiographic findings\*

|                                                       | IPAH<br>(n = 38) | PAH-Scl<br>(n = 49) | P     |
|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|-------|
| Right atrial dilation                                 | 31 (81.6)        | 36 (73.5)           | 0.37  |
| Right ventricular dilation                            | 34 (89.5)        | 39 (79.6)           | 0.21  |
| Right ventricular hypertrophy                         | 7 (18.4)         | 5 (10.2)            | 0.27  |
| Left atrial diameter, mean $\pm$ SEM cm               | 3.3 $\pm$ 0.2    | 3.8 $\pm$ 0.1       | 0.004 |
| Left atrial dilation                                  | 4 (10.5)         | 14 (28.6)           | 0.039 |
| Left ventricular hypertrophy                          | 5 (13.2)         | 17 (34.7)           | 0.022 |
| Left ventricular ejection<br>fraction, mean $\pm$ SEM | 57.3 $\pm$ 1.6   | 55.7 $\pm$ 1.4      | 0.44  |
| Diastolic dysfunction                                 | 5 (13.2)         | 16 (32.7)           | 0.035 |
| Pericardial effusion                                  | 5 (13.2)         | 17 (34.7)           | 0.022 |

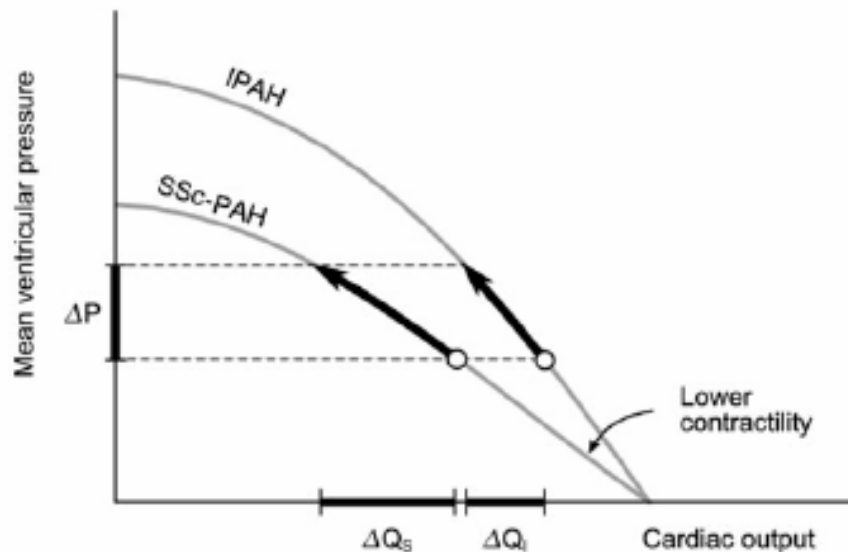


|         | SSc | HTAPi |
|---------|-----|-------|
| PAPm:   | 46  | 54    |
| Disf.VI | ++  | +     |
| Super:  |     |       |
| 1       | 87  | 95    |
| 3       | 49  | 83    |

## Right ventricular function in scleroderma-related pulmonary hypertension

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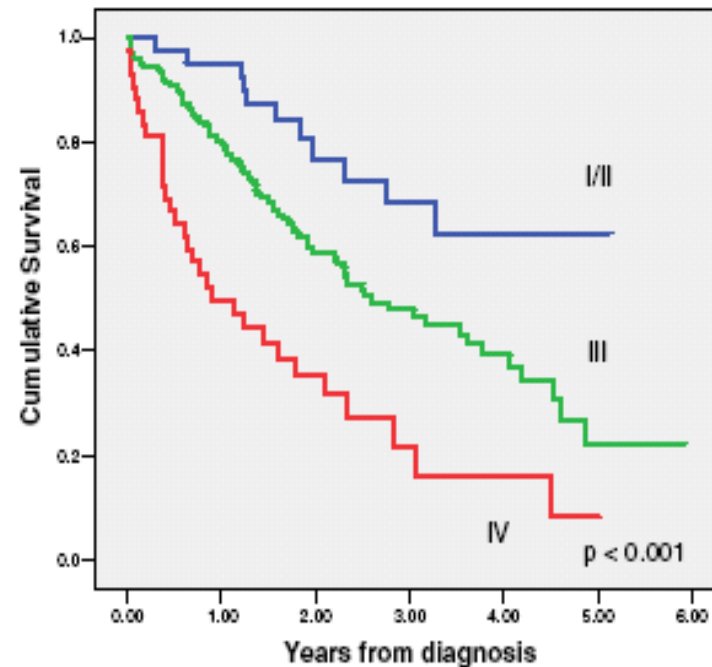
Right ventricular function in scleroderma



### Rheumatology key messages

- SSc-PAH has a poorer exercise capacity and worse prognosis than those reported in most other types of PAH.
- This appears related to a relative **RV failure**, explained by altered contractility and maybe also decreased pulmonary arterial compliance.
- Further research is needed to understand the histopathology and pathobiology of RV failure in SSc-PAH.

## Connective tissue disease associated pulmonary arterial hypertension in the modern treatment era



| 3B | Patients at risk |     |    |    |    |   |          |
|----|------------------|-----|----|----|----|---|----------|
|    | 41               | 38  | 20 | 14 | 6  | 1 |          |
|    | 176              | 122 | 64 | 35 | 19 | 4 | WHO I/II |
|    | 42               | 19  | 10 | 4  | 2  | 1 | WHO III  |
|    |                  |     |    |    |    |   | WHO IV   |

Empeoramiento: 39%  
 Muertes: 8  
 840±414 días

## Treatment of patients with mildly symptomatic pulmonary arterial hypertension with bosentan (EARLY study): a double-blind, randomised controlled trial

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|                                 |          |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Connective tissue disease       | 18 (19%) | 15 (16%) |
| Systemic sclerosis              | 9 (10%)  | 6 (7%)   |
| Lupus                           | 7 (8%)   | 4 (4%)   |
| Sarcoidosis                     | 1 (1%)   | 0        |
| Mixed connective tissue disease | 0        | 3 (3%)   |
| Sj  gren's syndrome             | 0        | 1 (1%)   |
| Takayasu's arteritis            | 0        | 1 (1%)   |
| Other (not specified)           | 1 (1%)   | 0        |

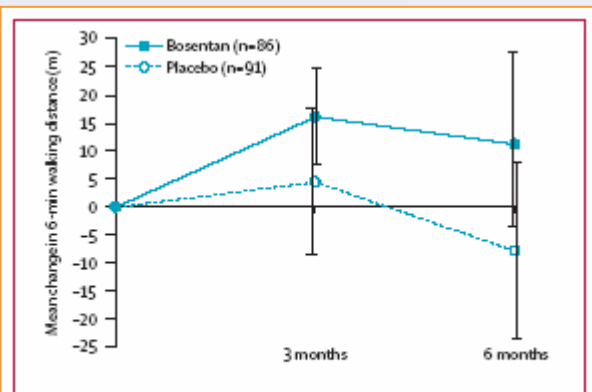


Figure 3: 6-min walking distance  
Error bars are 95% CI.

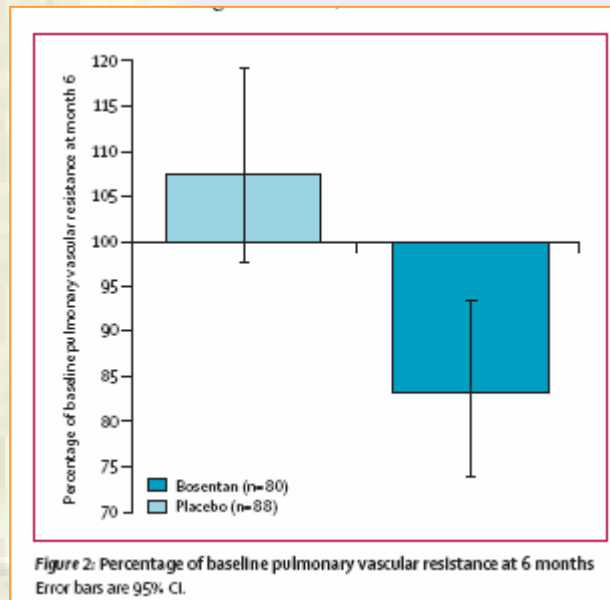


Figure 2: Percentage of baseline pulmonary vascular resistance at 6 months  
Error bars are 95% CI.

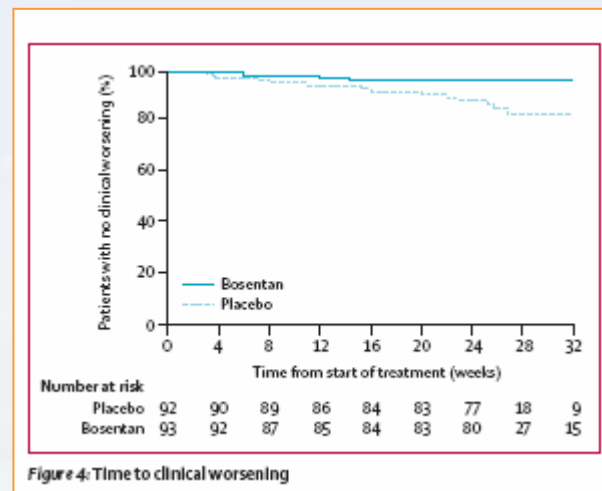
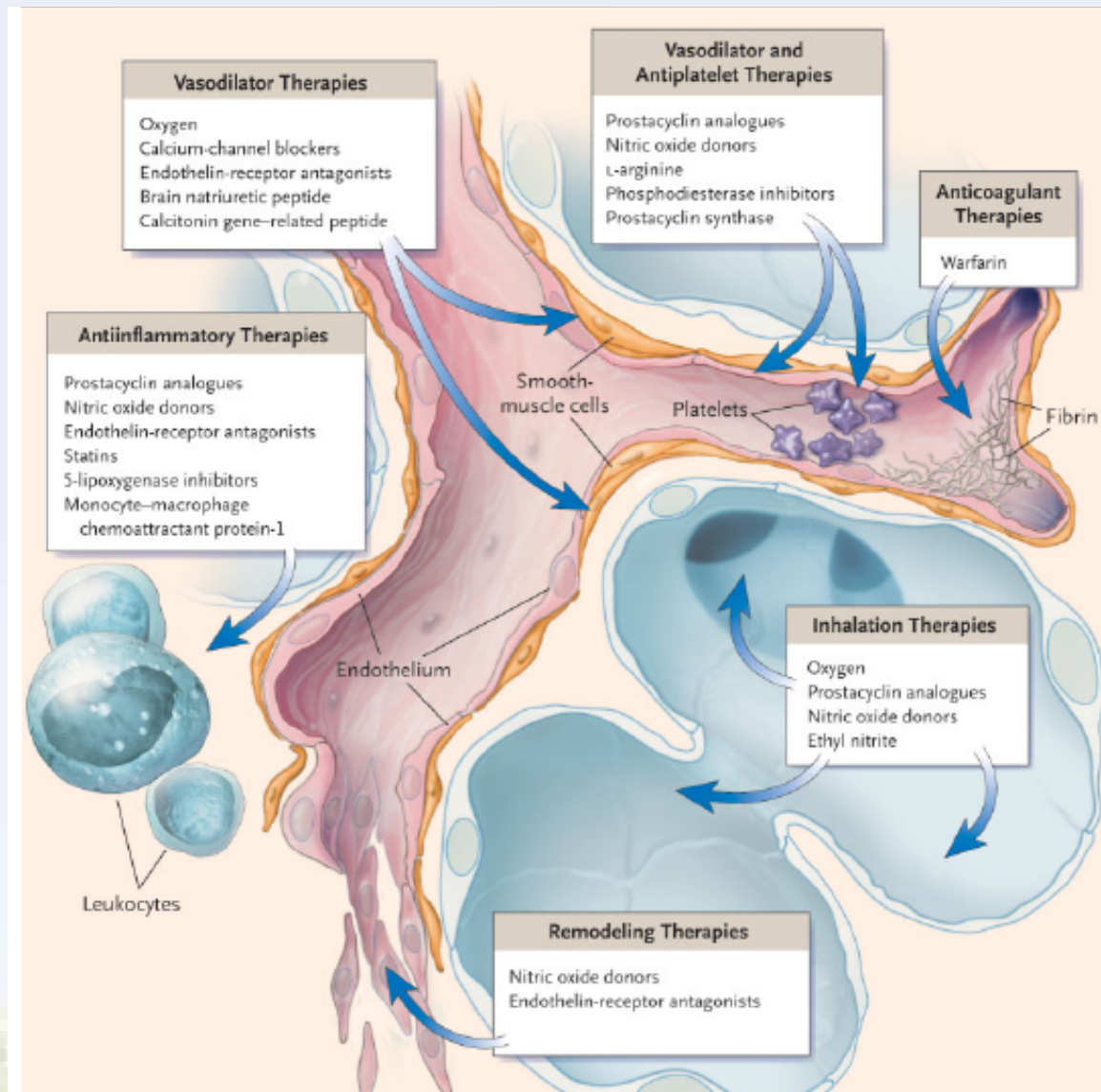


Figure 4: Time to clinical worsening

# HTAP en la Escleroderma. Tratamiento combinado.



## **Combination of bosentan with epoprostenol in pulmonary arterial hypertension: BREATHE-2**

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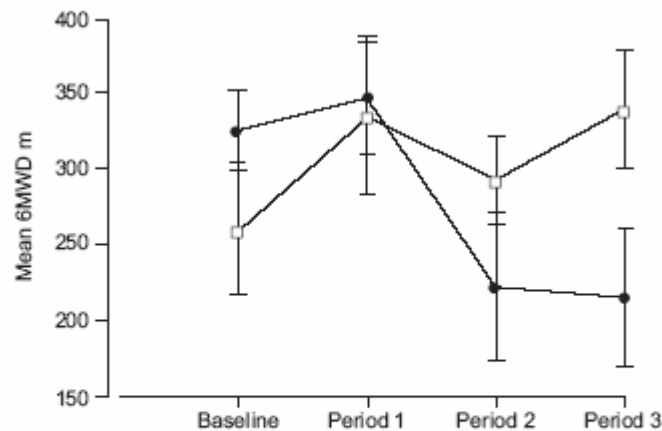
## **Transition From Epoprostenol and Treprostinil to the Oral Endothelin Receptor Antagonist Bosentan in Patients With Pulmonary Hypertension\***

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*(CHEST 2004; 126:808-815)*

## Addition of sildenafil to bosentan monotherapy in pulmonary arterial hypertension

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**FIGURE 2.** Mean 6-min walk distance (6MWD) at baseline, after 3 months of bosentan monotherapy (period 1), at bosentan monotherapy failure (period 2) and after 3 months of combination therapy with bosentan and sildenafil (period 3), for idiopathic pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) patients (□) and scleroderma-associated PAH patients (●). Error bars represent SE values.

N=25

|       |    |
|-------|----|
| HTAPi | 13 |
| SSc   | 12 |

# Addition of Sildenafil to Long-Term Intravenous Epoprostenol Therapy in Patients with Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension

## A Randomized Trial

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### Primary diagnosis

|                           |            |            |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|
| Idiopathic, <i>n</i> (%)  | 105 (78.9) | 107 (79.9) |
| Mean duration (range), y  | 5.0 (0–37) | 4.2 (0–36) |
| Associated with CTD       |            |            |
| Scleroderma, <i>n</i> (%) | 15 (11.3)  | 16 (11.9)  |
| Mean duration (range), y  | 4.2 (0–9)  | 3.0 (0–9)  |
| SLE, <i>n</i> (%)         | 8 (6.0)    | 6 (4.4)    |
| Mean duration (range), y  | 4.6 (2–10) | 4.4 (2–7)  |
| Other, <i>n</i> (%)       | 5 (3.8)    | 5 (3.7)    |
| Mean duration (range), y  | 5.0 (1–13) | 5.1 (3–7)  |

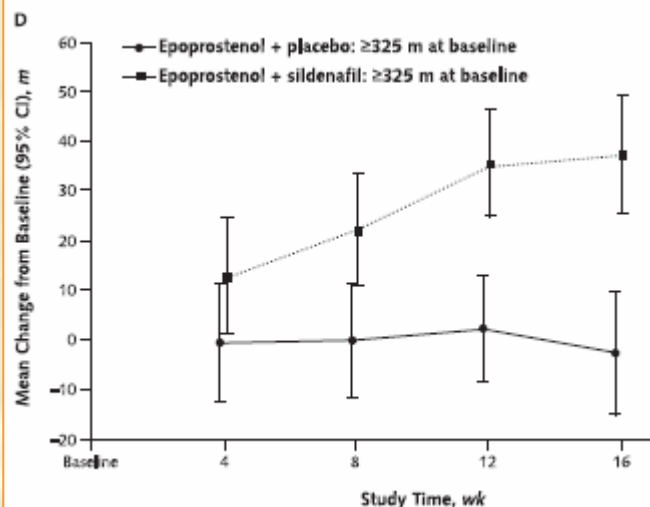
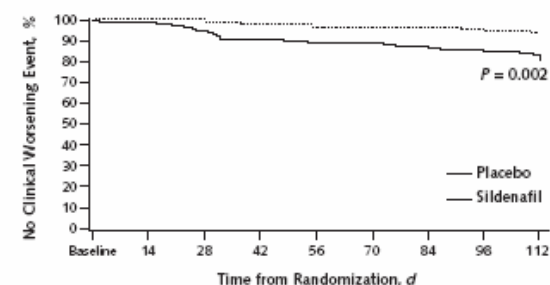


Figure 3. Kaplan-Meier plot of time to clinical worsening.

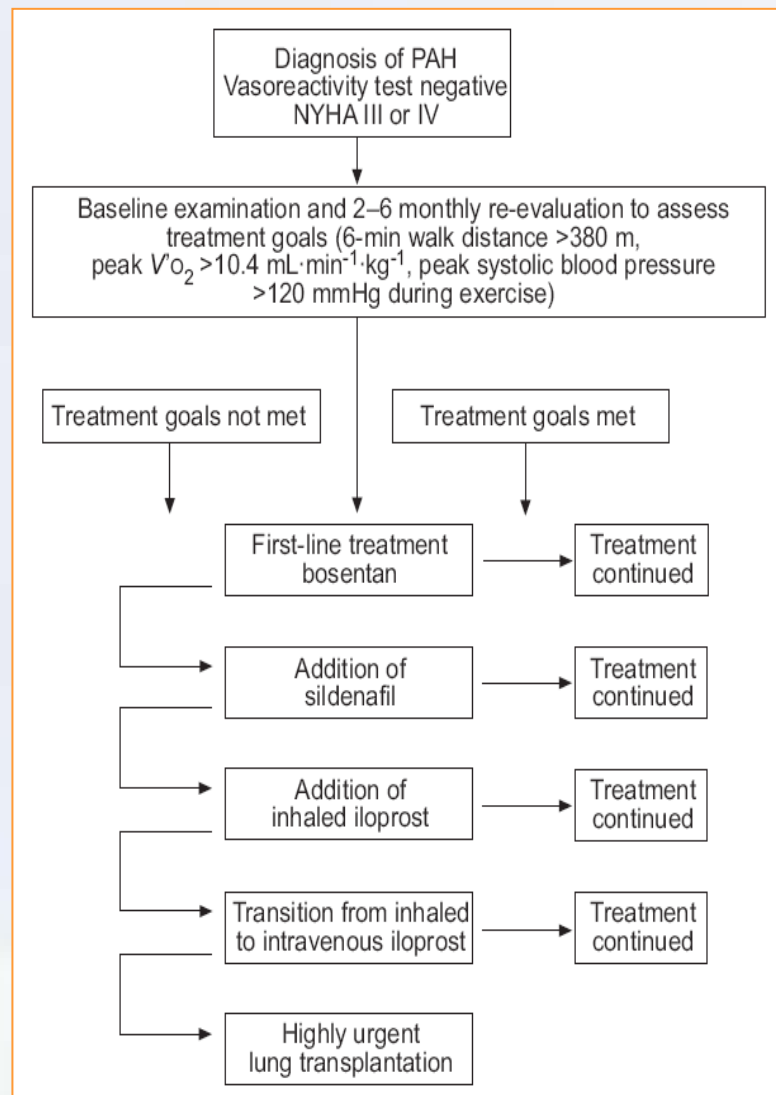
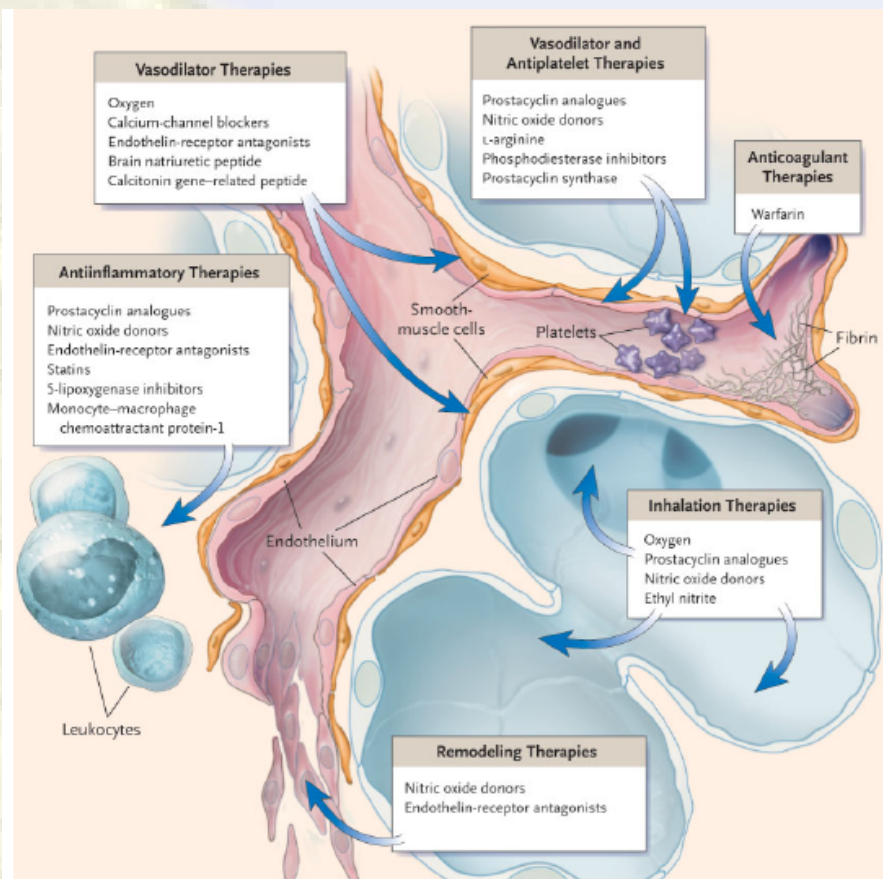


| Treatment                 | Persons at Risk (Censored), <i>n</i> |         |         |         |          |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
|                           | Baseline                             | Day 28* | Day 56† | Day 84‡ | Day 112§ |
| Epoprostenol + placebo    | 131                                  | 123 (1) | 116 (0) | 111 (2) | 70 (36)  |
| Epoprostenol + sildenafil | 134                                  | 134 (0) | 128 (2) | 125 (2) | 78 (44)  |



# Goal-oriented treatment and combination therapy for pulmonary arterial hypertension

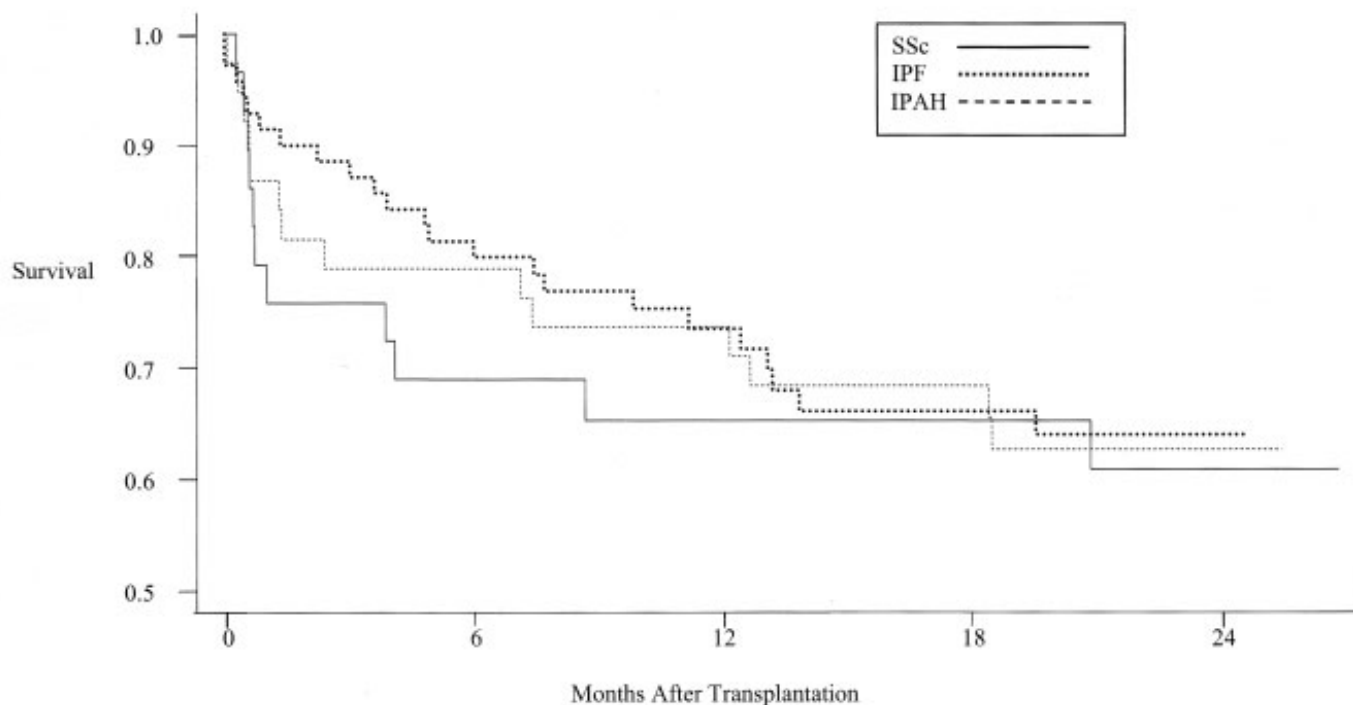
M.M. Hoeper, I. Markevych, E. Spiekerkoetter, T. Welte and J. Niedermeier



N= 123 ( 15 con ETC)

A los 2 años el 43% 2 fármacos  
16% 3 fármacos

# Lung Transplantation in Scleroderma Compared With Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis and Idiopathic Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension



|              |         |    |    |    |    |
|--------------|---------|----|----|----|----|
| NO. AT RISK: | SSc 29  | 20 | 17 | 16 | 15 |
|              | IPF 70  | 56 | 41 | 33 | 26 |
|              | IPAH 38 | 30 | 28 | 24 | 22 |

**EPID: 15    HTAP: 11**

**EPID+HTAP: 3**

**Schachna L, Arthritis Rheum 2006;54;3956-61**

# Futuro de la HTAP asociada a esclerodermia

- Diagnóstico precoz
- Intervención terapéutica en clases funcionales I-II
- Combinación de fármacos.
- Nuevos tratamientos: imatinib, VIP, inhibidor de las roquinasas....
- Mejorar supervivencia de los enfermos trasplantados.

**Pulmonary hypertension:  
The Bête Noire of the  
Diffuse Connective Tissue  
Diseases.**

***E. Carwile LeRoy, 1991***

***“un tipo de afección vascular  
en los pulmones especialmente  
destrutivo, que comienza  
bruscamente y tiene  
consecuencias letales”***

