

VHAC
Virginia Heart Attack
Coalition

PE Response Team

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Introduction

OBJECTIVE: Align all hospitals in Virginia with a standardized approach to PE management to ensure consistency in care delivery.

GOALS:

- **Adoption of Best Practices:** Encouraging the use of evidence-based protocols across all institutions.
- **Interdisciplinary Collaboration:** Emphasizing the importance of communication between different specialties to provide holistic care.
- **Data Collection and Sharing:** Developing a statewide registry to track outcomes, complications, and the effectiveness of different treatment approaches.

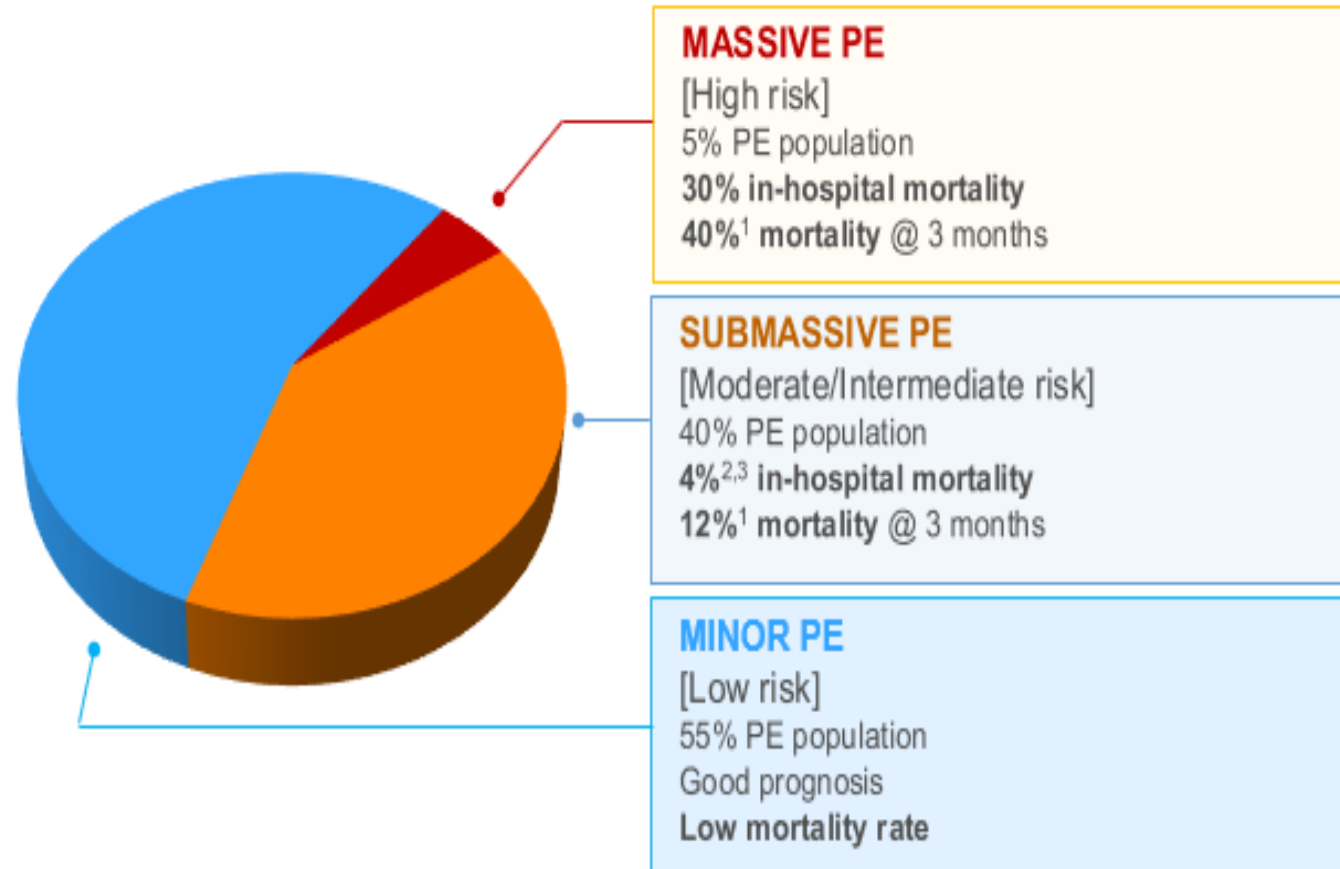
Integration with National Guidelines

Alignment with National Guidelines: Ensure that the state's guidelines for PE management are in line with recommendations from major health organizations such as:

- American College of Chest Physicians (CHEST)
- American Heart Association (AHA)
- Society of Interventional Radiology (SIR)
- American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP)

Updates and Continuous Improvement: Regularly reviewing and updating state guidelines to incorporate the latest evidence and innovations in PE management.

PE patient population profile



1. Goldhaber SZ et al. Acute pulmonary embolism: clinical outcomes in the International Cooperative Pulmonary Embolism Registry (ICOPER). Lancet 1999;353:1386-1389

2. Meyer G et al. Fibrinolysis for Patients with Intermediate Risk Pulmonary Embolism. New Engl J Med 2014; 370: 1402-11

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PE Risk Stratification

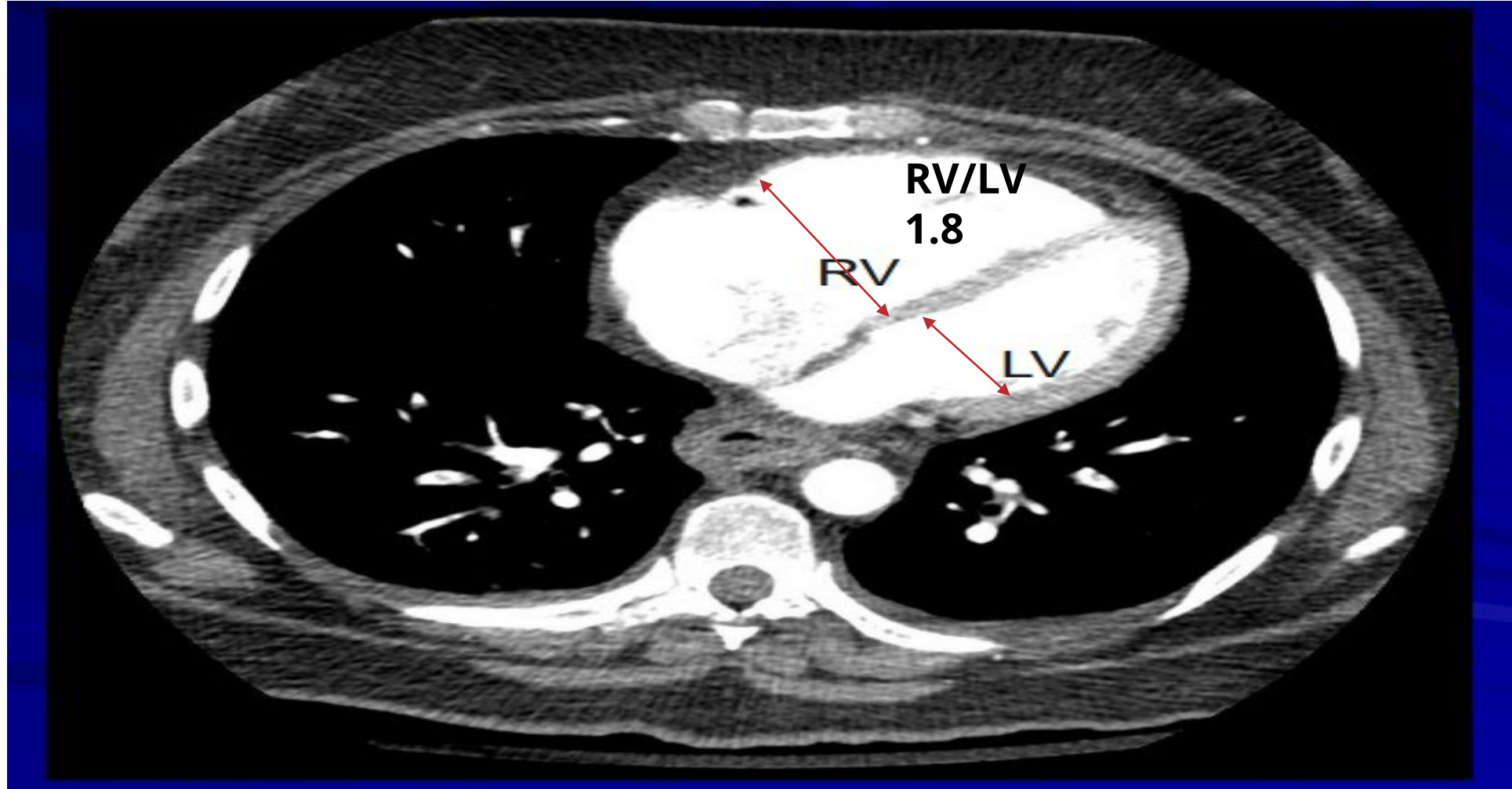
Patient risk stratification (per AHA 2011 guidelines)		
Massive PE	Submassive PE	Low Risk
High risk	Intermediate risk	Low risk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustained hypotension (systolic BP <90 mmHg for ≥15 min) • Inotropic support • Signs or symptoms of shock • Cardiac arrest 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Systemically normotensive (systolic BP ≥90 mmHg) • RV strain • Abnormal troponin (HS trop > 50) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Systemically normotensive (systolic BP ≥90 mmHg) • No RV dysfunction • No myocardial necrosis

RV Strain

- RV/LV ratio > 0.9 or RV systolic dysfunction on echo
- RV/LV ratio > 0.9 on CT
- Elevation of BNP (>90 pg/mL)
- Elevation of NTpro-BNP (>500 pg/mL)
- Troponin elevation

Jaff et al. Management of massive and submassive pulmonary embolism, iliofemoral deep vein thrombosis, and chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension: A scientific statement from the American Heart Association. Circulation 2011;123(16):1788-1830.

Acute PE: RV strain



Study outcome events in 906 patients using 2014 ESC model

Risk Category	<u>sPESI</u>	RVD or Elevated Troponin	Death at 30 days
High	>0	Both	23/105: 22% (CI; 14.0-29.8)
Intermediate-high	>0	Both	21/272: 7.7% (CI; 4.5-10.9)
Intermediate-low	>0	Either one or neither one	20/333: 6.0% (CI; 3.4-8.6)
Low	0	Neither one	1/196: 0.5% (CI; 0-1.5)

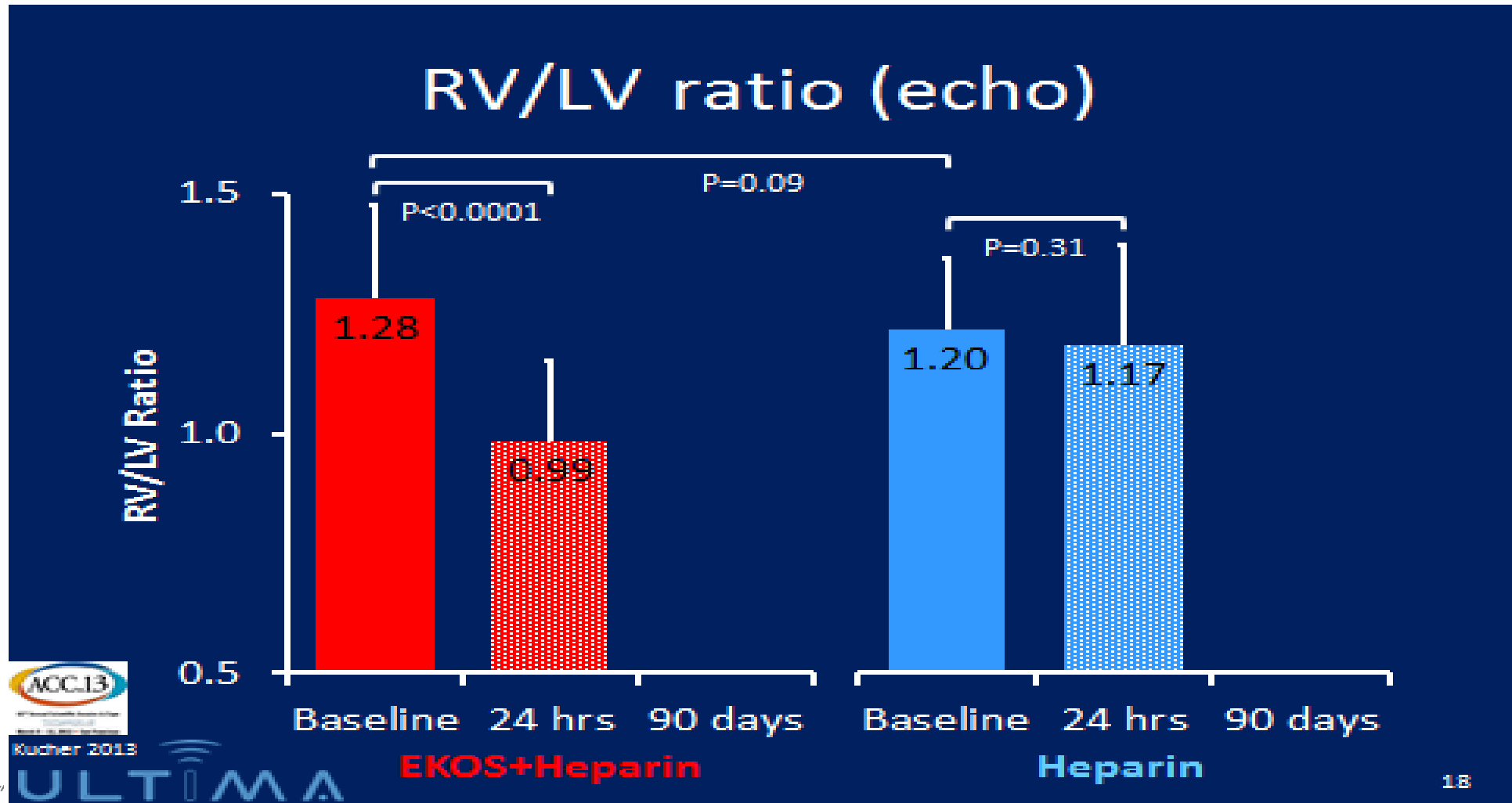


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Interventional Options

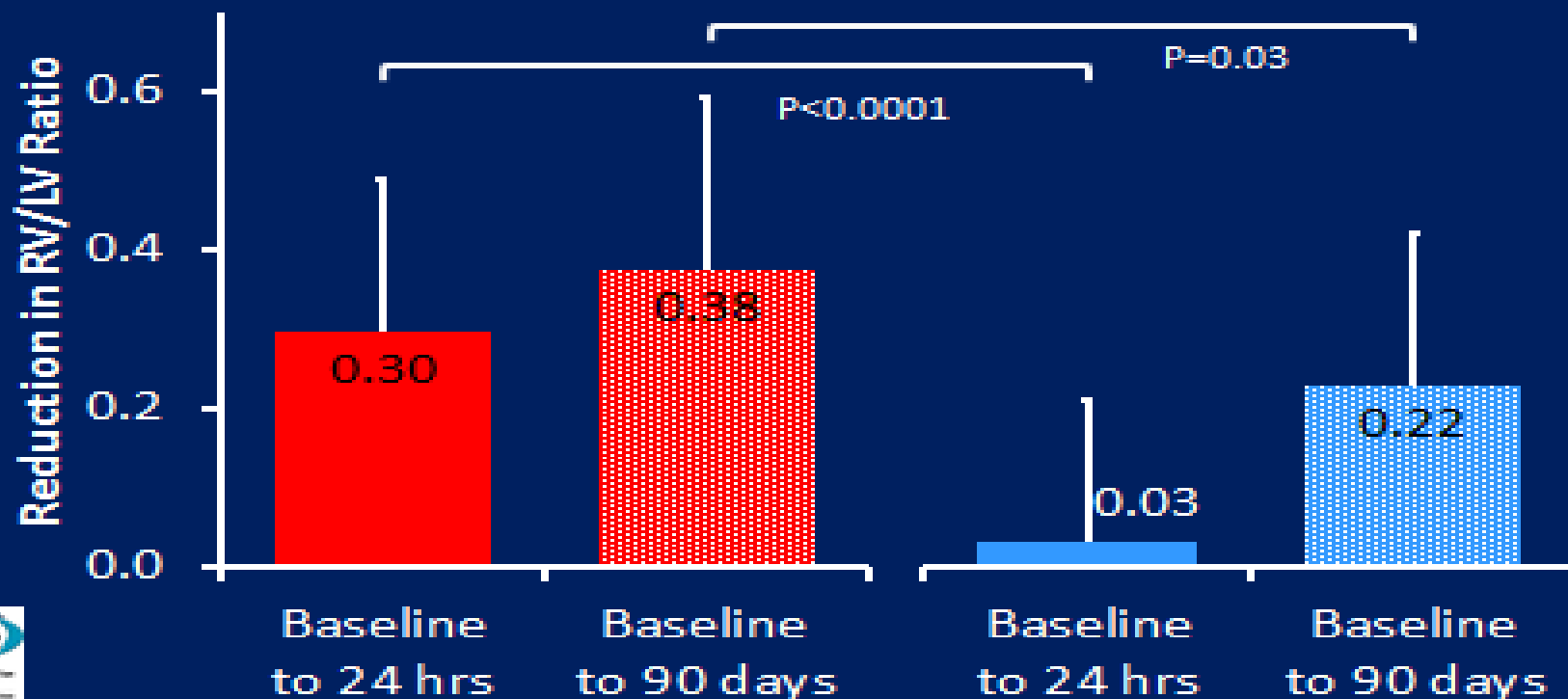
- Catheter-directed thrombolysis
 - EKOS
- Catheter-directed thrombectomy
 - Inari
 - Penumbra

ULTIMA Trial



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Primary endpoint:
Reduction in RV/LV ratio (echo)



Kucher 2013

ULTIMA

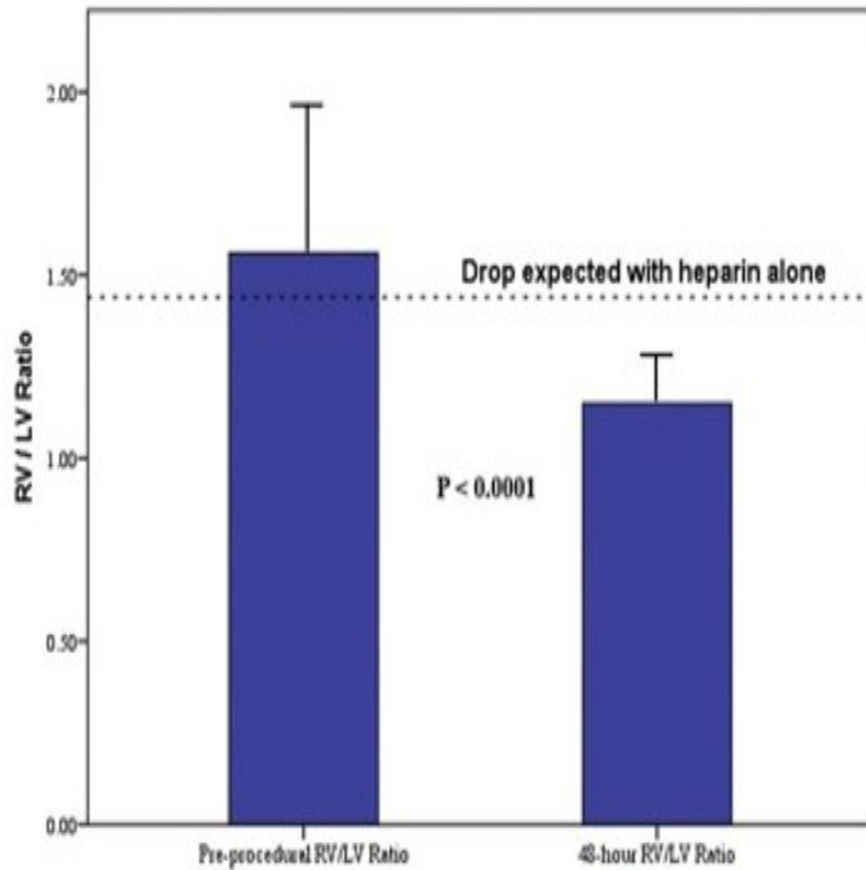
EKOS+Heparin

Heparin

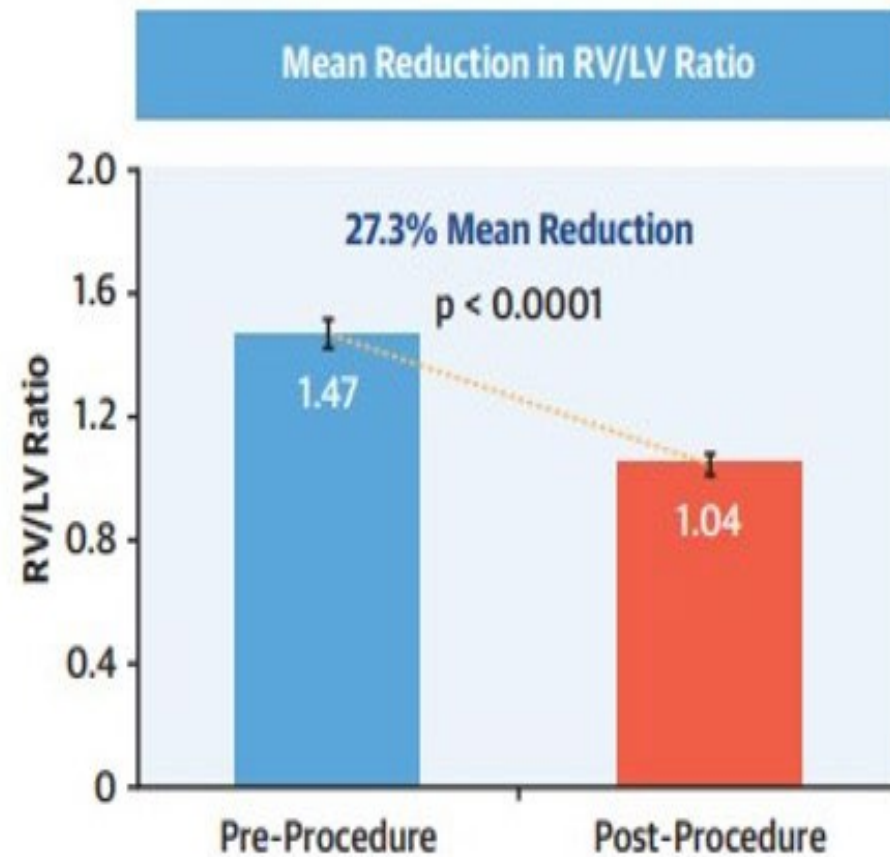


Intermediate Risk PE Studies

Inari: Flare



Penumbra: Extract



Flash Registry: Inari

800 all-comer patient population across 50 US clinical sites



Characteristic	n (%) or mean \pm SD
Age, years	61.2 \pm 14.6
History of DVT	143 (17.9%)
History of PE	85 (10.7%)
History of PHTN	77 (9.7%)
Concomitant DVT	512 (65.0%)
Systolic PA pressure \geq 70 mmHg	99 (12.7%)
Lytics contraindication	256 (32.1%)

Characteristic	n (%) or mean \pm SD
High-risk PE	63 (7.9%)
Intermediate-high-risk PE	611 (76.7%)
Intermediate-low-risk PE	59 (7.4%)
Intermediate-risk PE (unknown)	64 (8.0%)
sPESI	1.6 \pm 1.1
Positive biomarker(s)*	720 (94.6%)
RV/LV Ratio (CT or echo)	1.50 \pm 0.5
Saddle PE	319 (40.0%)
Unilateral PE	68 (8.5%)
Bilateral PE	411 (51.5%)

*troponin and/or BNP



Flash Registry: Inari

Excellent safety results and 30-day mortality outcomes



Primary Endpoint
MAE at 48-hours

1.8% (14/788)

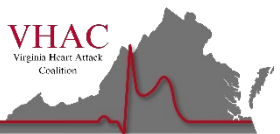
- 0** device-related deaths
- 11** major bleeds (0 ICH)
- 3** intraprocedural AEs*

<1%

All-cause mortality at
30-day follow-up
N=734



*1. cardiac injury due to ECMO (not device related) 2. hypotension in a patient with an extraperitoneal hematoma (not device related) 3. Tricuspid regurgitation incidentally noted two months post-procedure (unknown relationship to device)

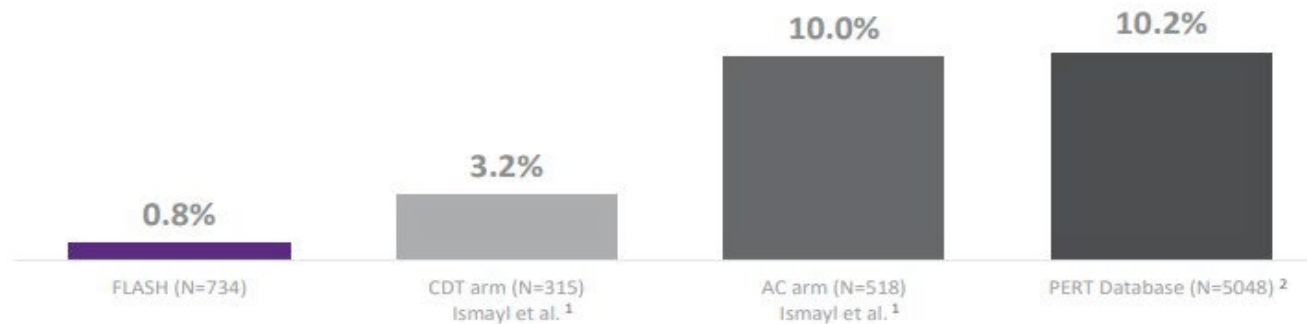


Flash Registry: Inari

FLASH 30-day mortality in perspective



30-day Mortality



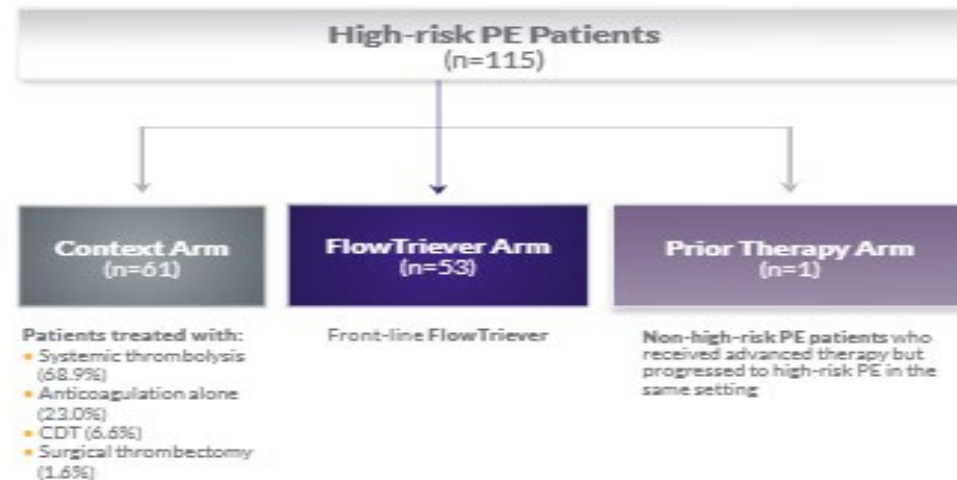
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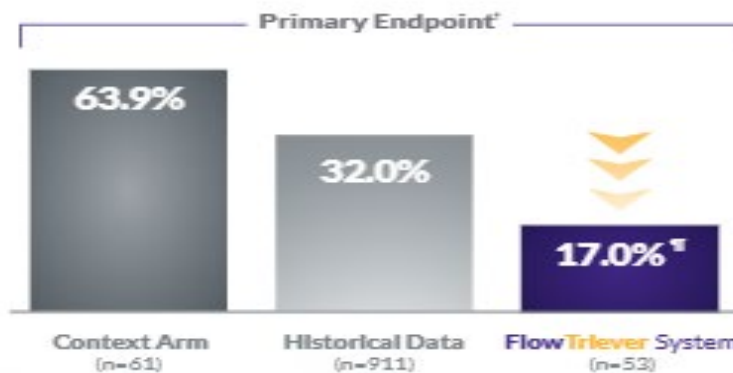
90% Survival Improvement in High-risk PE



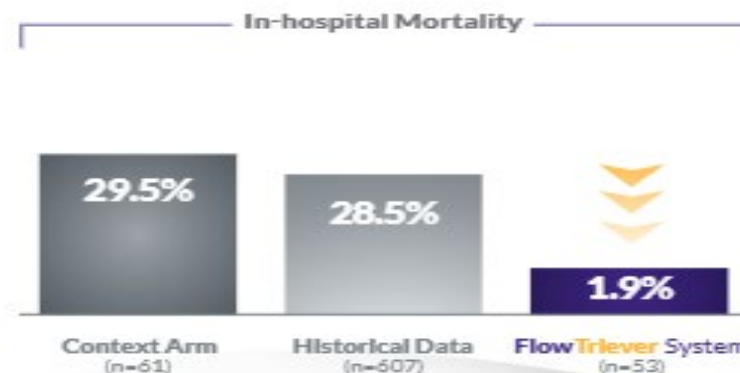
FLAME is the largest prospective study of interventional treatment in high-risk PE, a patient population with a historical in-hospital mortality rate >25%.¹⁻⁴ The results show a dramatic improvement in survival in patients treated with the FlowTriever® system.



Significantly Lower In-hospital Adverse Outcomes



>90% Reduction in High-risk PE Mortality*



Future Trials

PEERLESS

- **FLOWTRIEVER VS CDT FOR INTERMEDIATE-HIGH RISK PE**
- Estimated enrollment: 550 patients
- Randomized / parallel assignment
- Also, nonrandomized cohort of 150 patients with contraindications to thrombolysis
- Estimated study start date: March 31, 2022
- Estimated study completion date: Nov 15, 2023

PRIMARY ENDPOINT

Win ratio composite at discharge (7 days max):

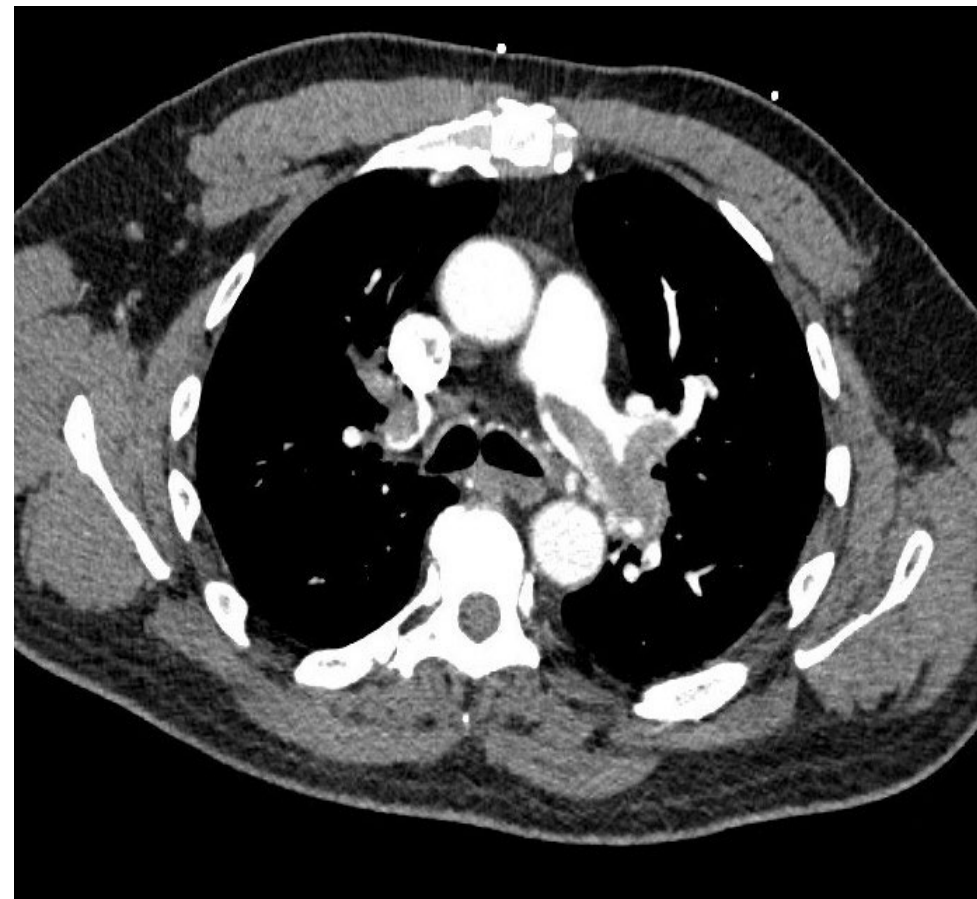
1. All-cause mortality
2. ICH
3. ISTH major bleeding
4. Clinical deterioration and / or bailout
5. ICU admission and ICU LOS

ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT05111613

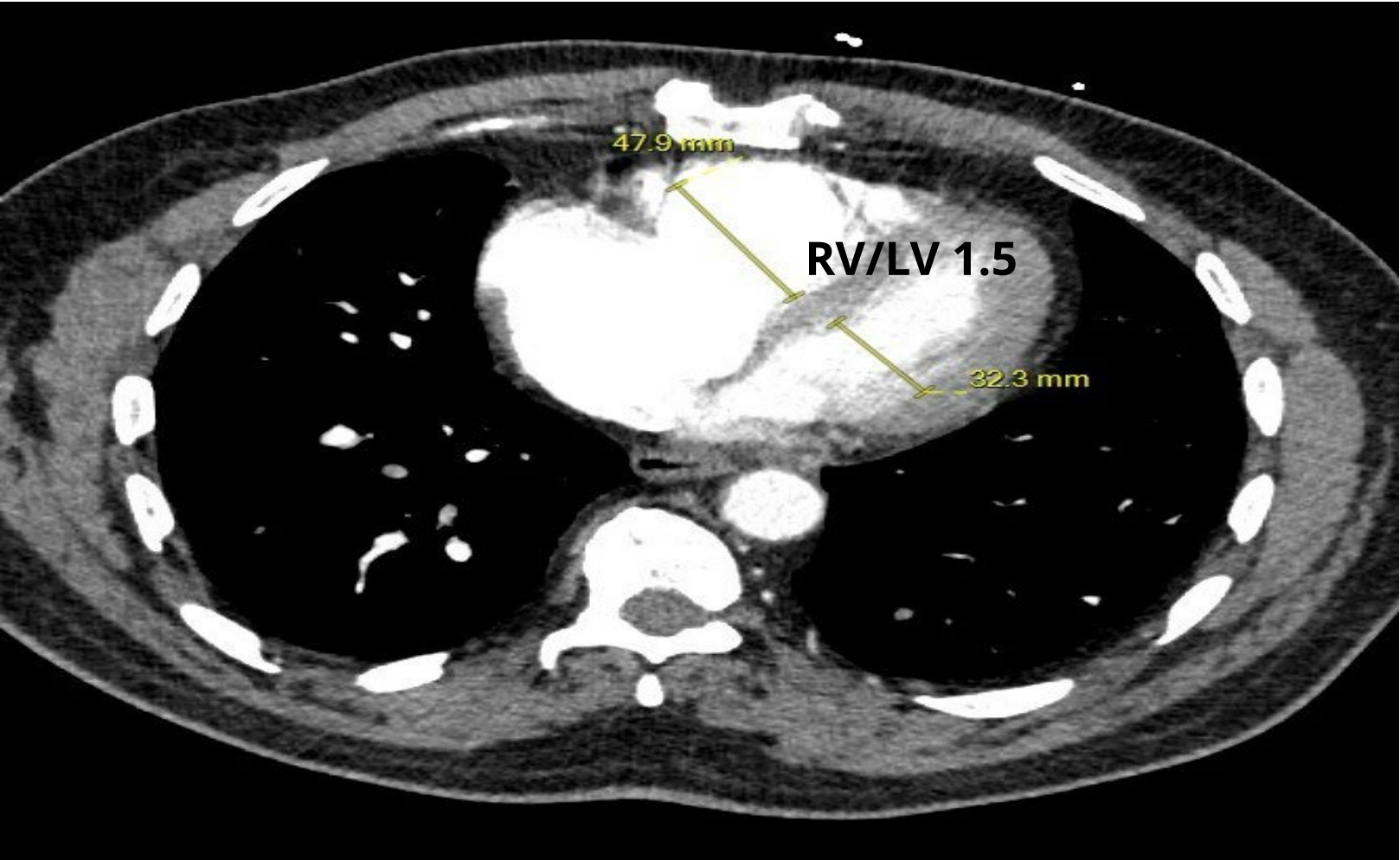
Case 1

- 68 y/o male who presents with syncope
- Intermediate-high risk PE:
 - RV strain: RV/LV 1.5
 - Elevated HS troponin, 920
 - Large central clot: Saddle PE
- Venous Duplex: R femoral vein DVT

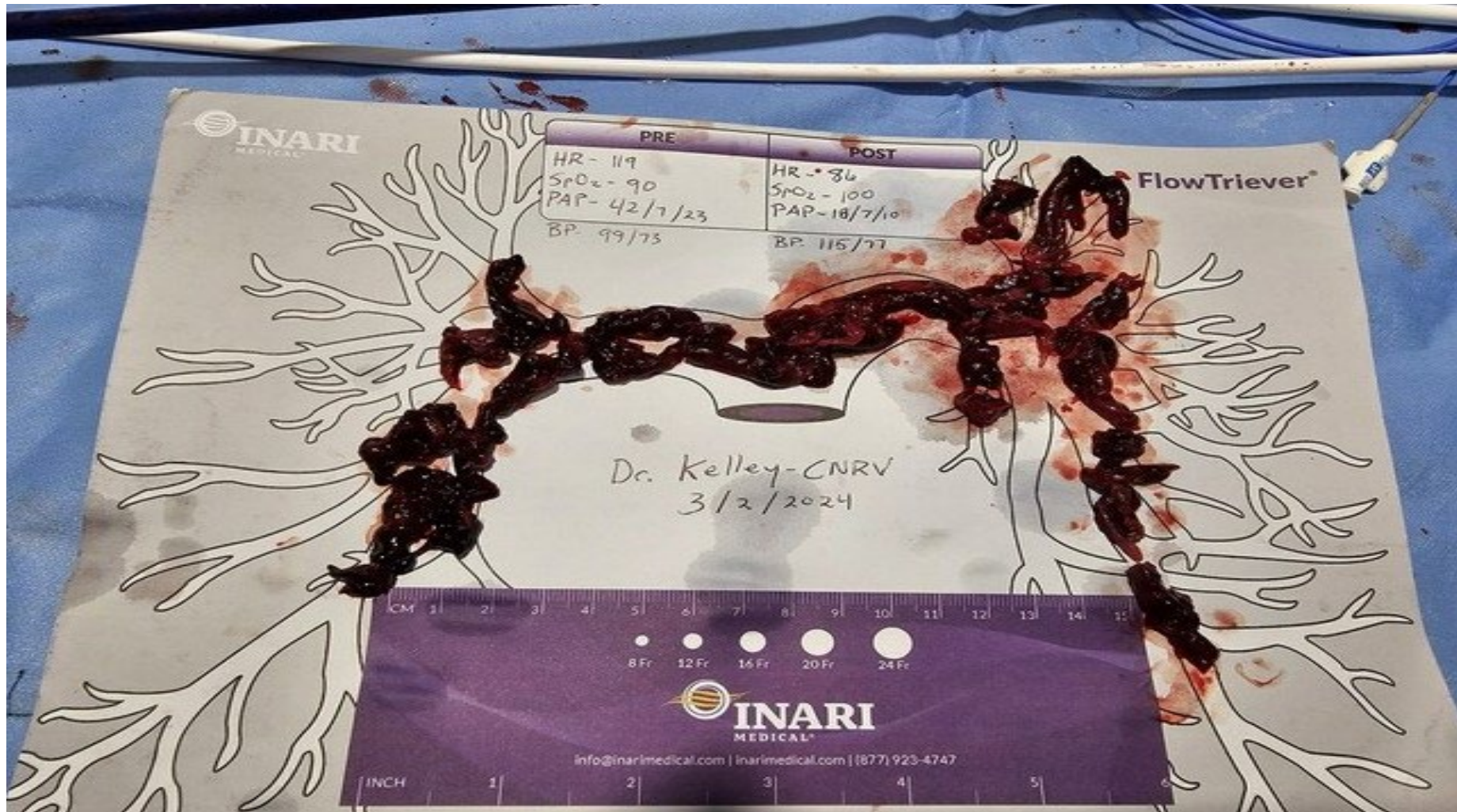
Chest CTA: Saddle PE



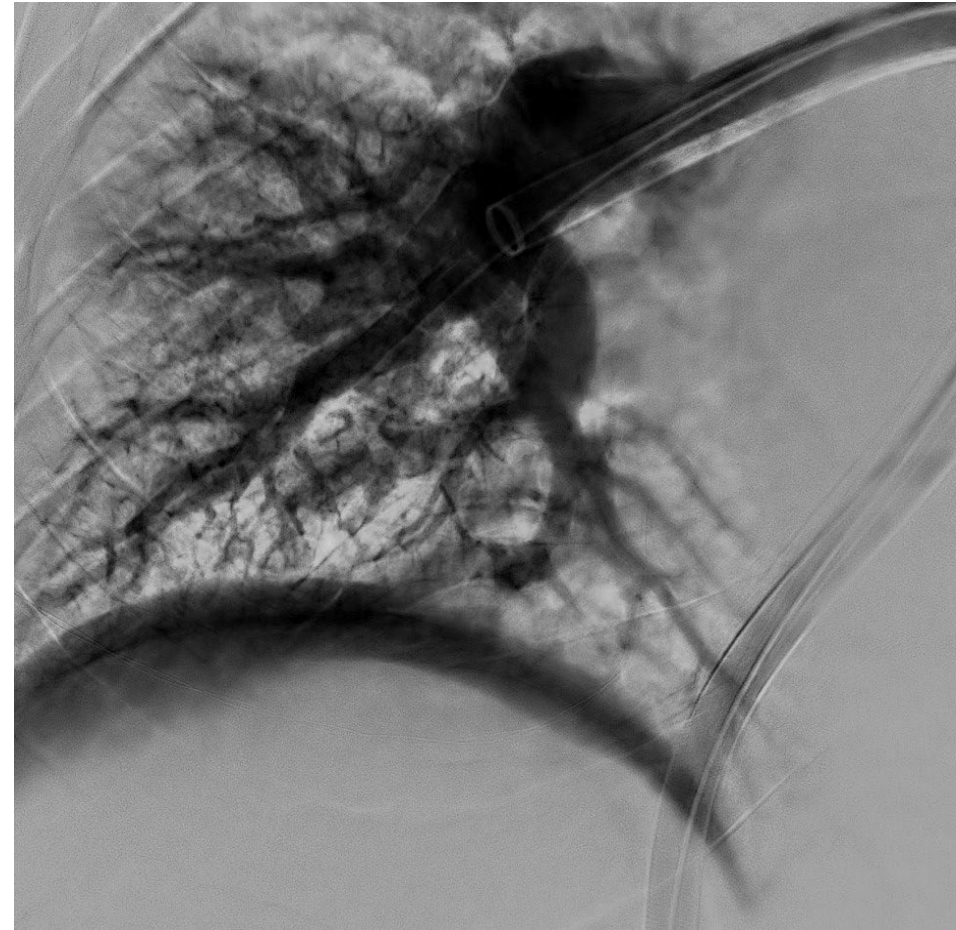
Chest CTA: RV Strain



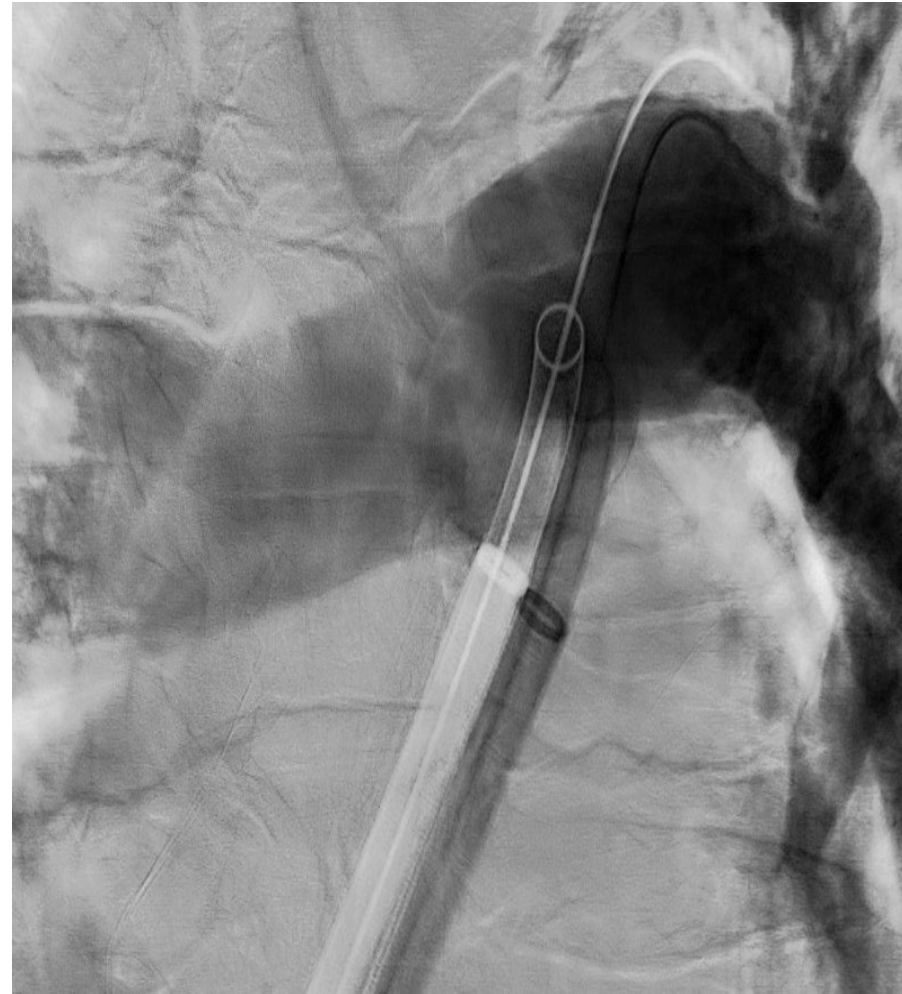
PE Thrombectomy



PA Angiogram



PA Angiogram



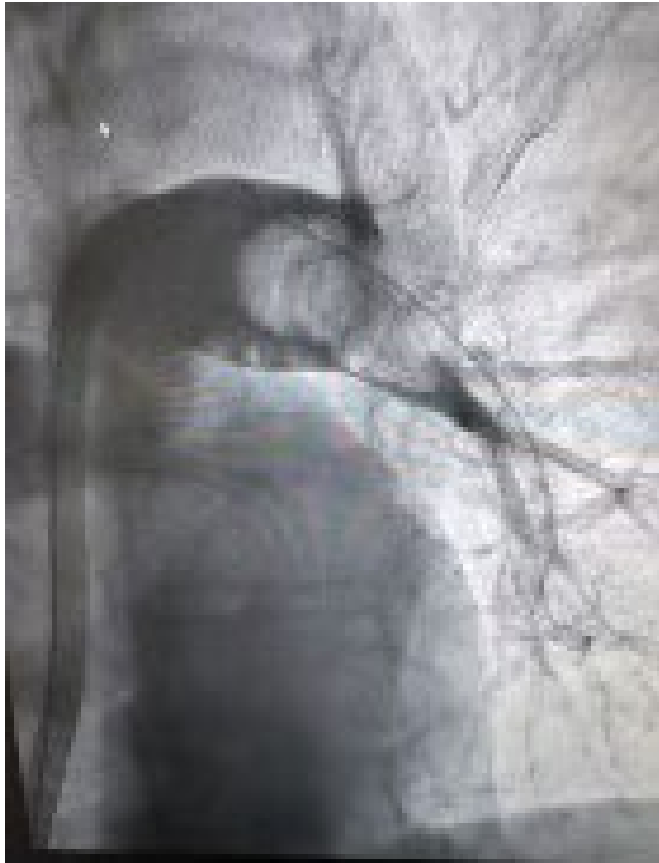
Post Echo



Case 2

Acute Intermediate-High Risk PE, RV/LV 1.6

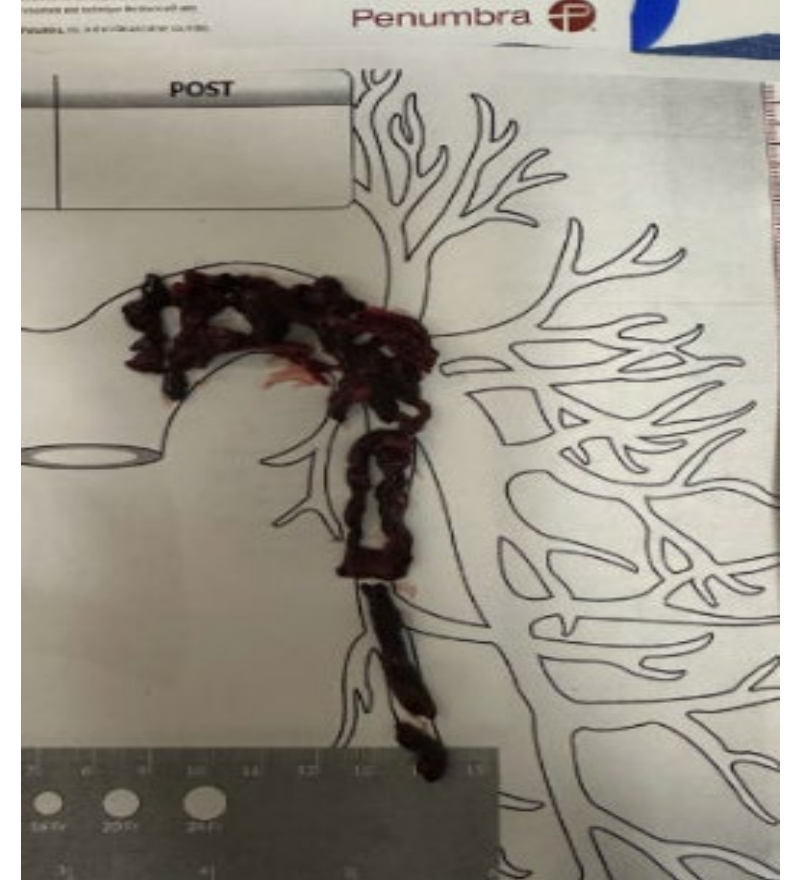
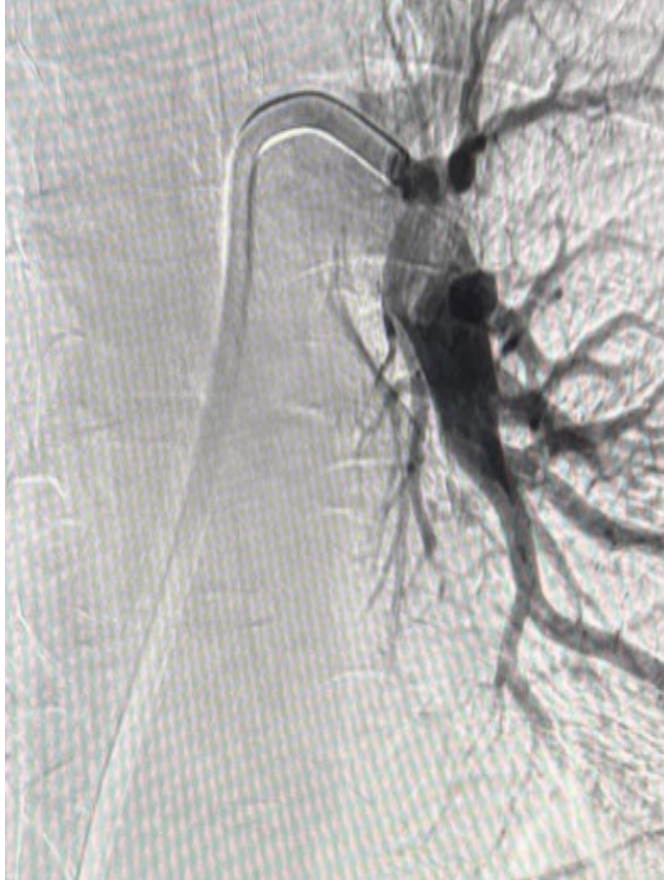
PE Thrombectomy with Inari



Case 3

Acute Intermediate-High Risk PE, RV/LV 1.2

PE Thrombectomy with Penumbra



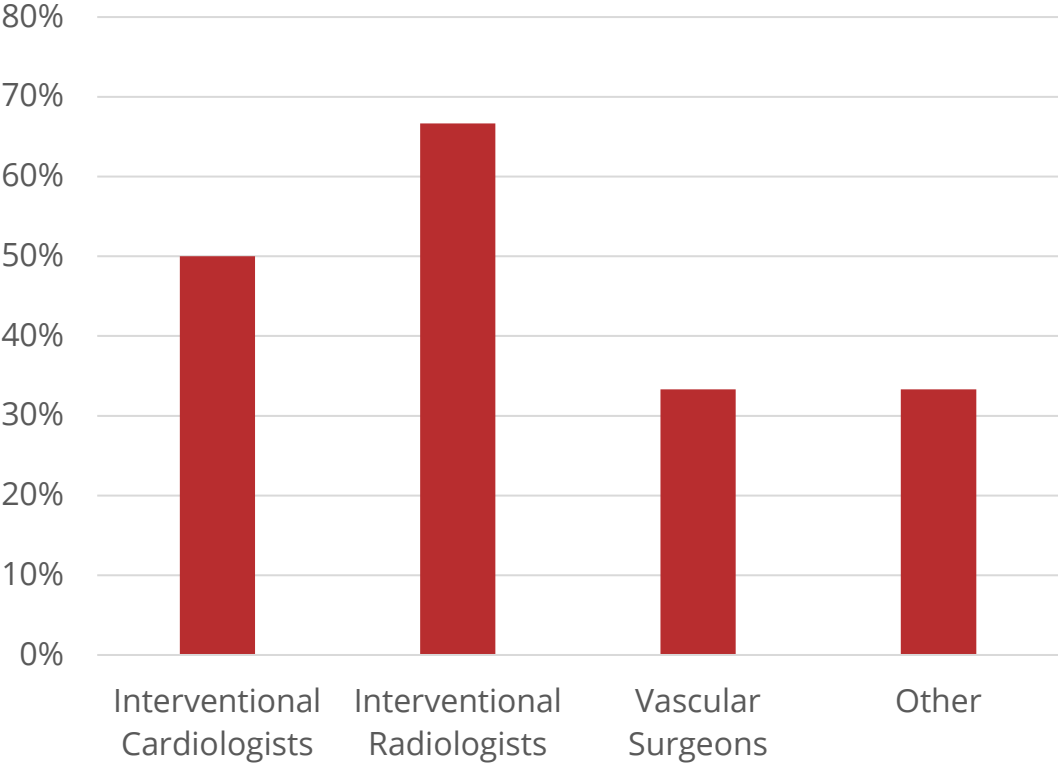
Survey Results

N=8

What is the annual volume of pe interventions at your institution?

- 25 (based on projected volumes)
- 40
- 40-70
- Unsure (2)

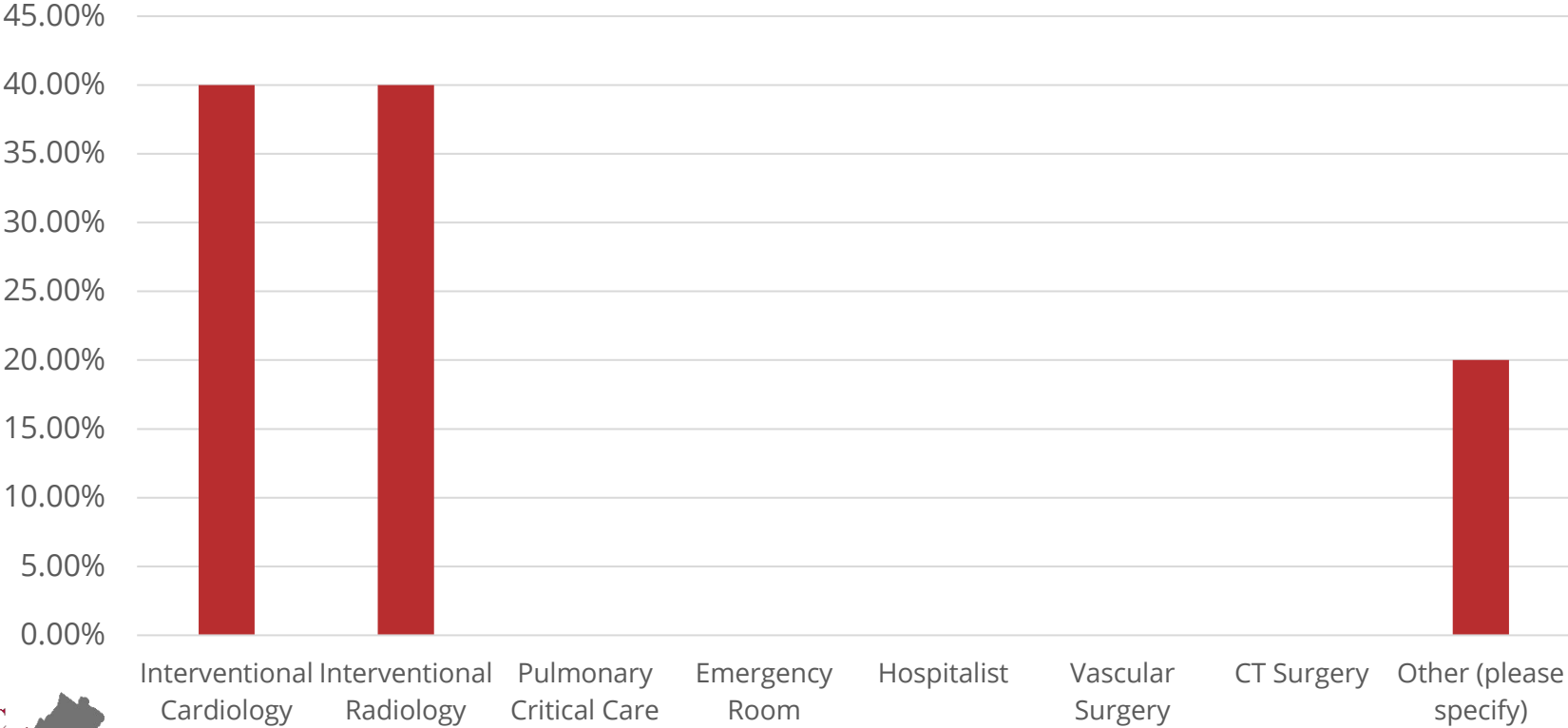
Who performs the pe interventions at your institution? Check all that apply.



Survey Results

N=8

Which specialty performs the majority of PE interventions at your institution?



Other:

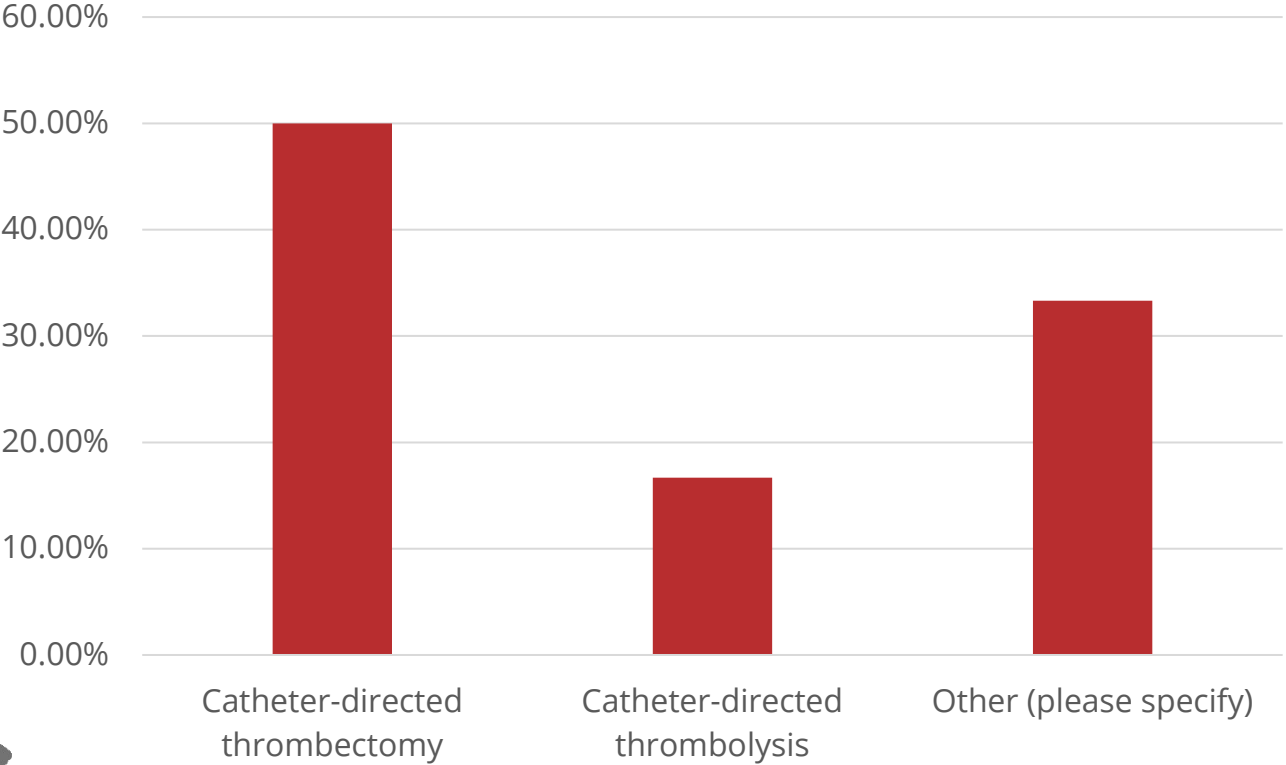
- Unsure



Survey Results

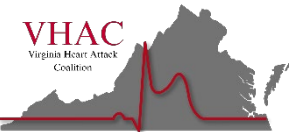
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Which procedure is predominantly used in your PE response program?



Other:

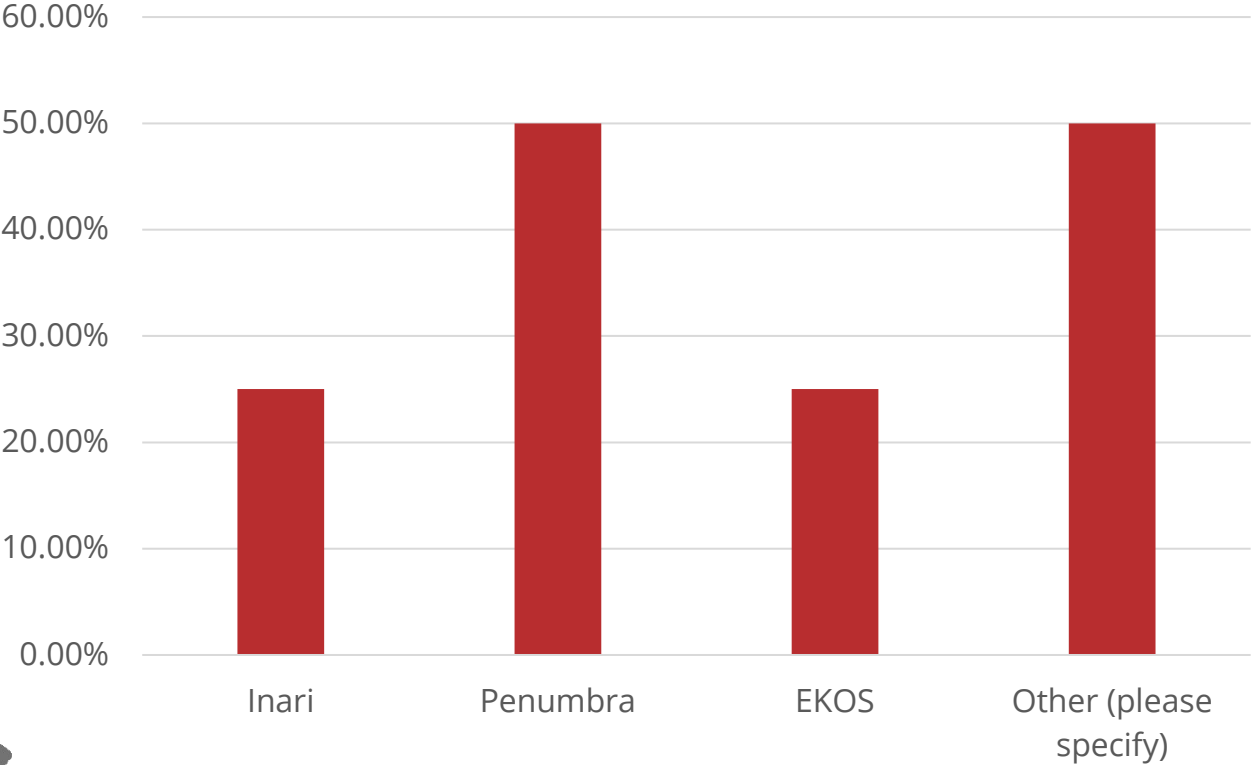
- Do not have data available at this time
- Mix of all



Survey Results

N=8

**Which devices are used for your PE interventions?
Check all that apply.**

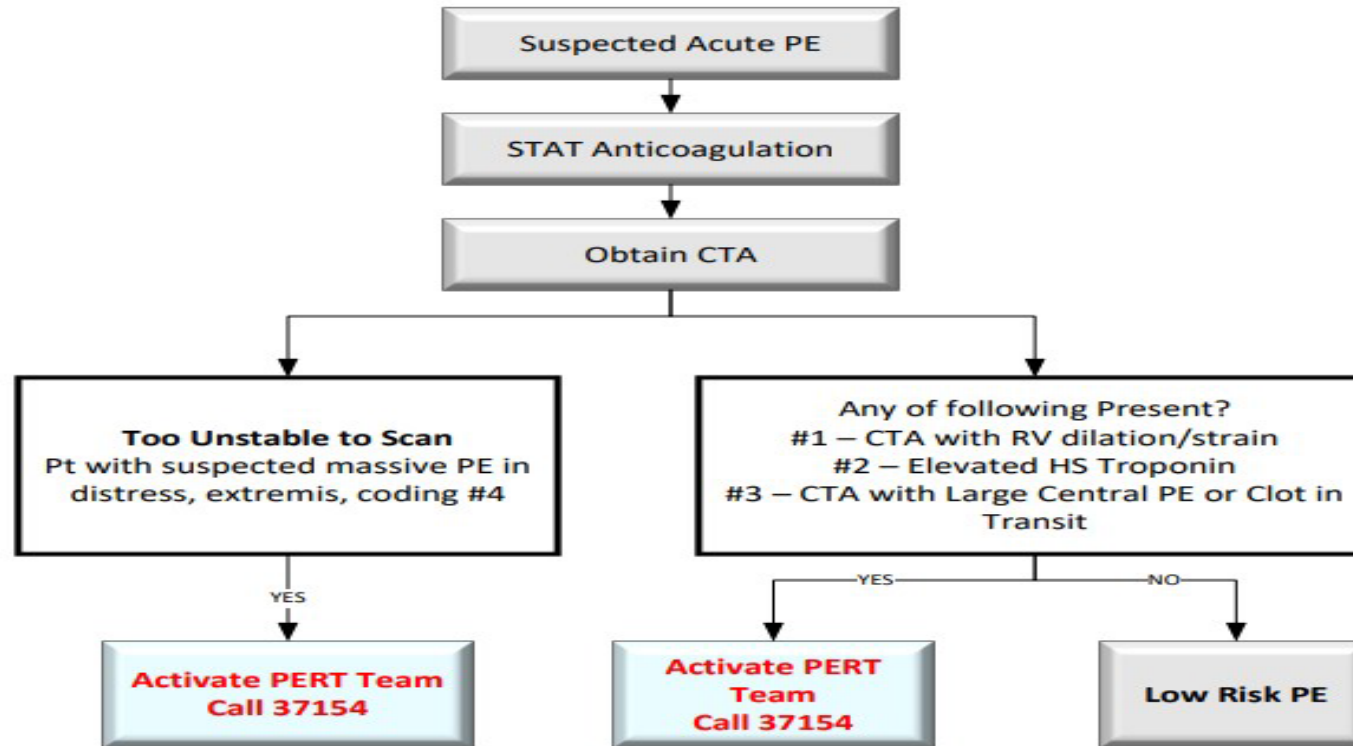


Other:

- Uncertain
- Mix of all



Appendix A: PERT-CNRV Consult Activation – for Intermediate and High-Risk PE



PERT Activation by Calling the Transfer Center at 37154

Additional Remarks:

Work up of Suspected PE:

- CBC, BMP, Trop, Pro-BNP, Lactic, EKG, CXR, CTA, PT, PTT, Type & Screen
- CrCl/GFR > 15: Enoxaparin 1mg/kg (Pharmacy will adjust based on CrCl). Max dose 150mg
- CrCl/GFR < 15: or AXI: Heparin bolus + Infusion

#1 CTA findings of RV Strain or Dilatation:

- RV:LV chamber ration >1
- Contrast Reflux into IVC
- Septal Flattening or bowing

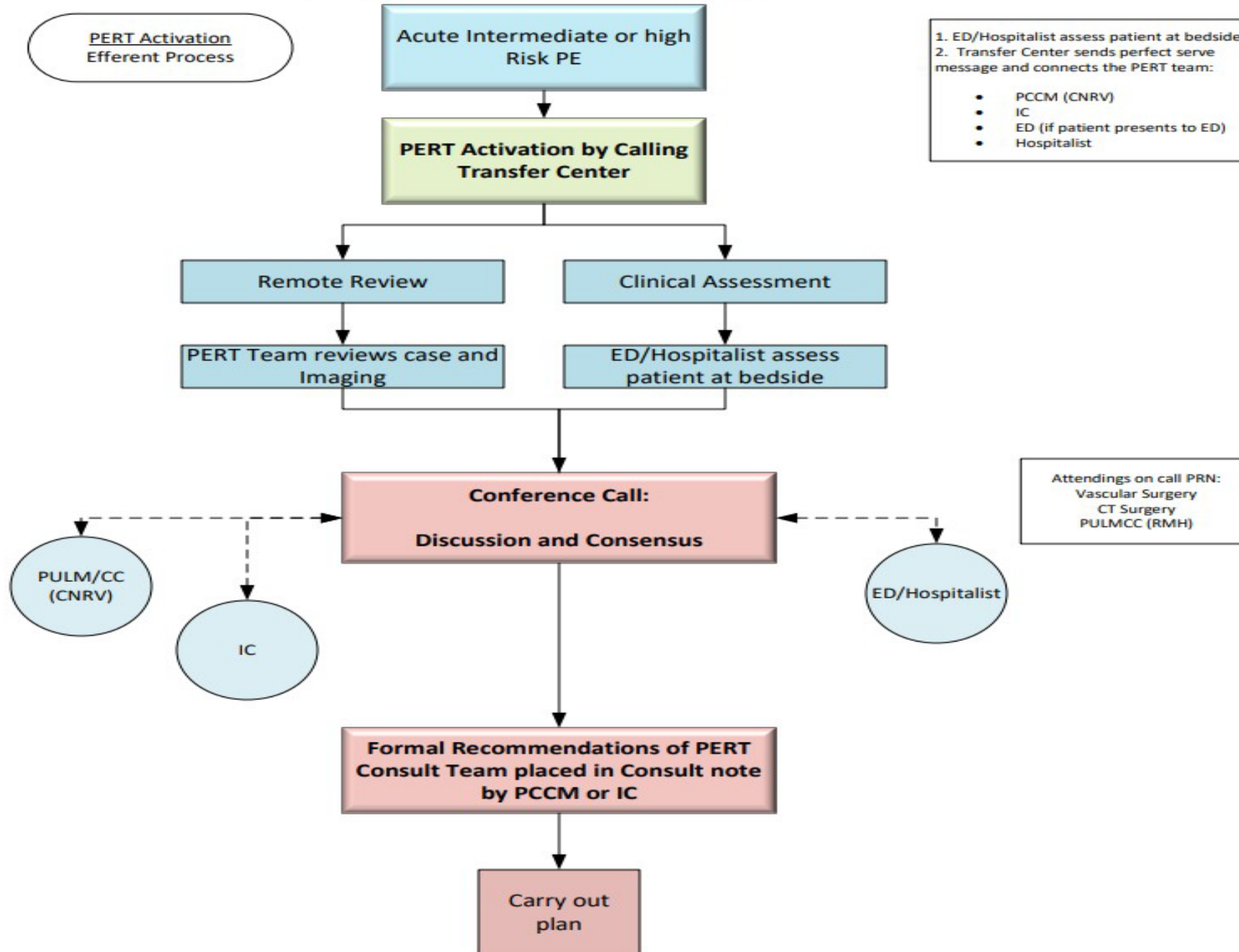
#2 HS Trop – 1 Elevation \geq 50mg/L

#3 Large Central PE = Saddle PE, L or R main PA PE; or a Clot in Transit (RA, RV, IVC)

#4 Suspected massive/unstable PE: Should have high degree of clinical suspicion based on presentation, risk factors, prior or known VTE, POCUS, + LE Duplex, etc

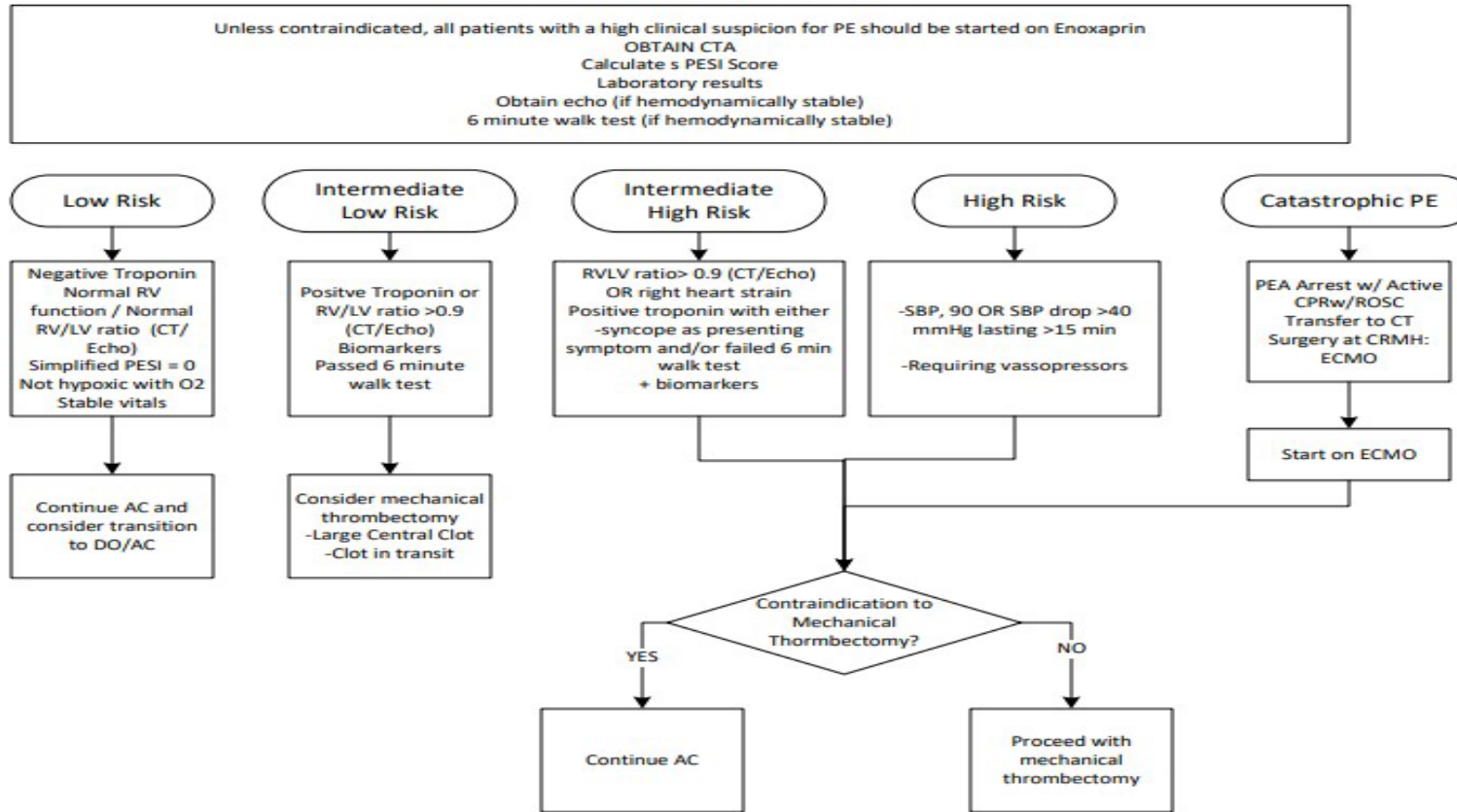
STAT ECHO: No longer necessary for activation don't delay POCUS may be helpful to r/o alternative etiologies
ECHO and Duplex can be completed next day (POCUS: Point of Care Ultrasound)

Appendix B: PERT-CNRV Decision Process



Appendix C: PERT-CNRV Treatment Algorithm

Acute Pulmonary Embolism Clinical Treatment DETAILS and DECISION TREE



Simplified PESI Scoring:	
Predictor variable	Points
Age, year >80	1
History of Cancer	1
History of chronic cardiopulmonary disease	1
Heart rate, bpm \geq 100	1
Systolic BP, mmHg \geq 100	1
O2 Saturation <90%	1

Next Steps

- Enhanced participation among different centers
 - Physician and non-physician leaders
- Standardized PERT protocol for the state
- Data Collection:
 - Case Volumes
 - Devices Used
 - Clinical Outcomes:
 - Mortality, bleeding rates, hospital stay
 - PA pressures
 - RV/LV ratio
 - Outcomes for PE and shock

Thank You

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