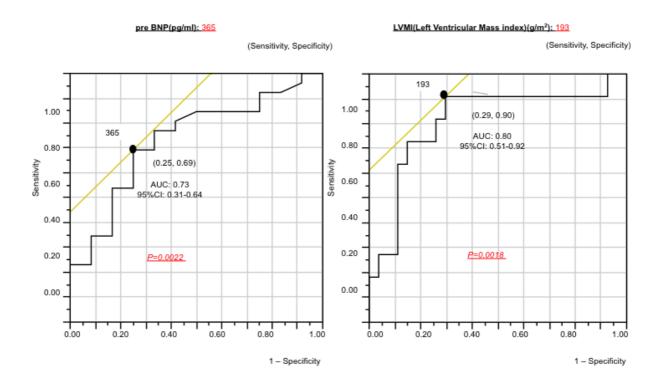
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2	For Severe Aortic Insufficiency
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22 VISUAL ABSTRACT

- 23• Key question (120 characters including spaces)
- 24• Relationship between functional recovery and prognosis after AVR for AI and, what are the predictors
- 25 of poor prognosis?
- 26• Key findings (120 characters including spaces)
- 27• Predictive factors of failure in the functional recovery post-AVR for AI included preBNP >364 pg/mL,
- 28 or LVMI 192> g/m2.
- 29• Take-home message (140 characters including spaces)
- 30 Comparison of AVR to optimized treatment such as TAVI might be warranted for cases with
- 31 irreversible poor LV function.
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33 CENTRAL IMAGE



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36 ABSTRACT

- 37 **Objectives:** This study aimed to review the long-term outcome of aortic valve replacement (AVR) for
- 38 severe aortic insufficiency (AI) with a focus on pre- and postoperative left ventricular (LV) function
- 39 to explore predictive factors that influence the recovery of LV function and clinical outcome.
- 40 Methods: In this study, 478 patients who underwent AVR for pure severe AI were grouped according
- 41 to the preoperative echocardiographical LV ejection fraction (EF), such as Low (LO) EF <35% (n=43),
- 42 moderate (MED) EF 35%-50% (n=150), or normal (NI) EF >50% (n=285) groups.
- 43 **Results:** Actuarial survival at 10 years post-AVR was 64% in the LO EF, 92% in the MED EF, and
- 44 93% in the NI EF groups (P=0.016), while 10-year freedom from major adverse cerebral and
- 45 cardiovascular events (MACCE) was 47%, 79%, and 84% individually (P<0.0001).
- 46 Echocardiography at 1 year post-AVR revealed that EF substantially improved in all groups. There
- 47 was a significant difference in the survival (P=0.0086) and freedom from MACCE (P=0.024) between
- 48 patients with $EF \ge 35\%$ and those with EF < 35% in the LO EF group. Multivariate linear regression
- 49 analysis showed that predictive factors of no improvement in EF at 1 year post-AVR in the LO EF
- 50 group included plasma brain natriuretic peptide >365 pg/ml (P=0.0095) and echocardiographical LV
- 51 mass index (LVMI) >193 g/m² (P=0.0018).
- 52 Conclusions: Long-term outcome post-AVR for severe AI was largely influenced by preoperative LV
- 53 function. Predictive factors of failure in the functional recovery post-AVR included EF <25%,
- 54 pre-BNP >365 pg/mL, or LVMI >193 g/m².
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