# Epidemiology of HF in Romania

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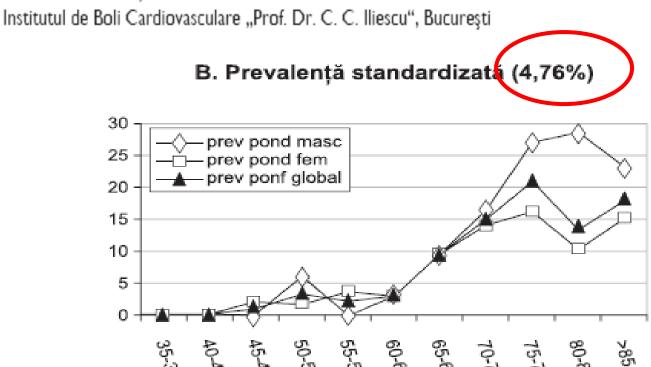
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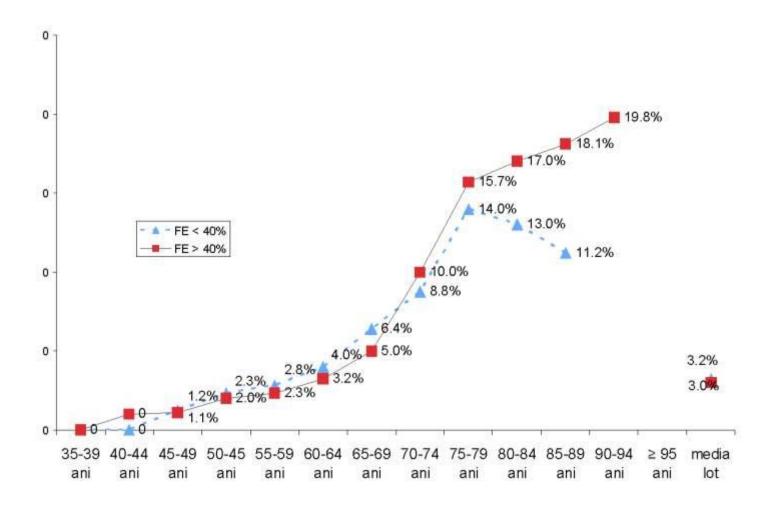
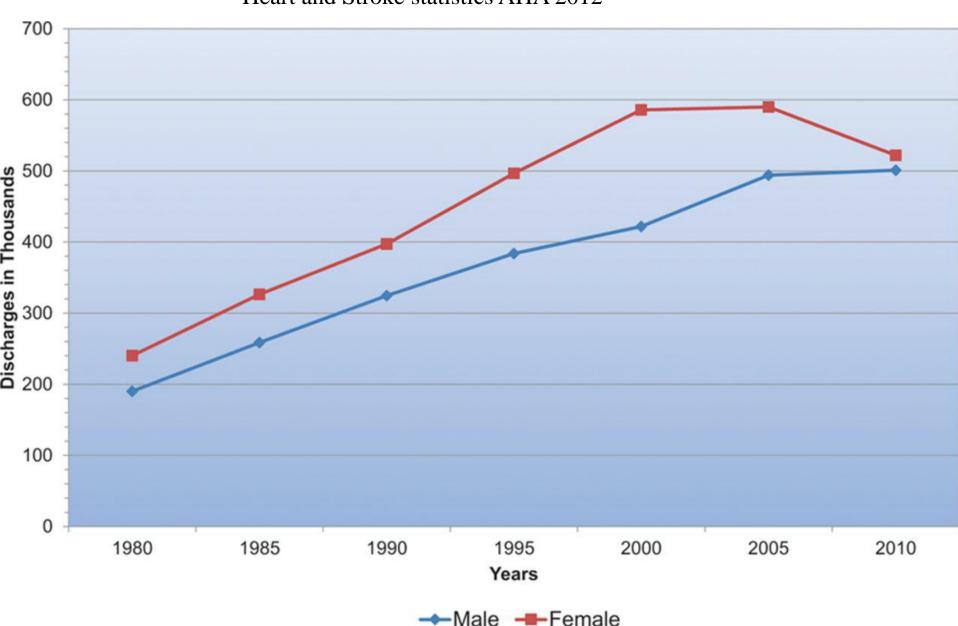


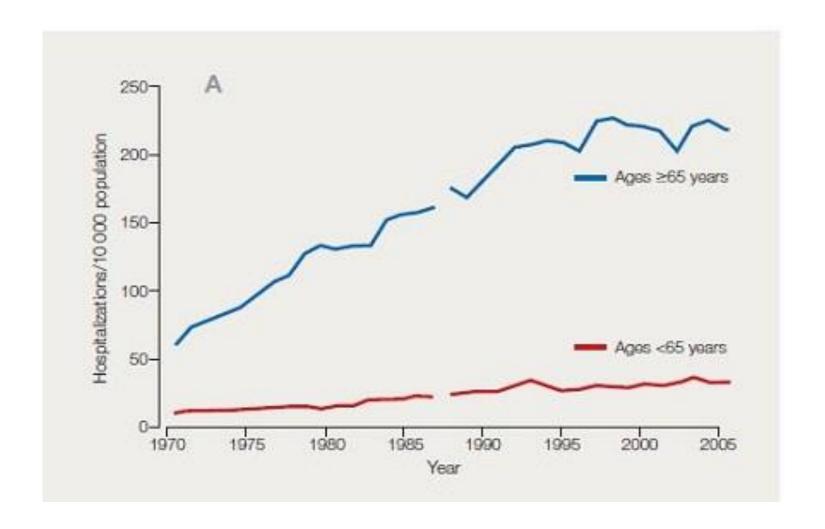
Fig.9 . Prevalenta disfunctiei sistolice si a disfunctiei diastolice de VS in lotul in studiu

### Trends for HF prevalence US 2012

Heart and Stroke statistics AHA 2012

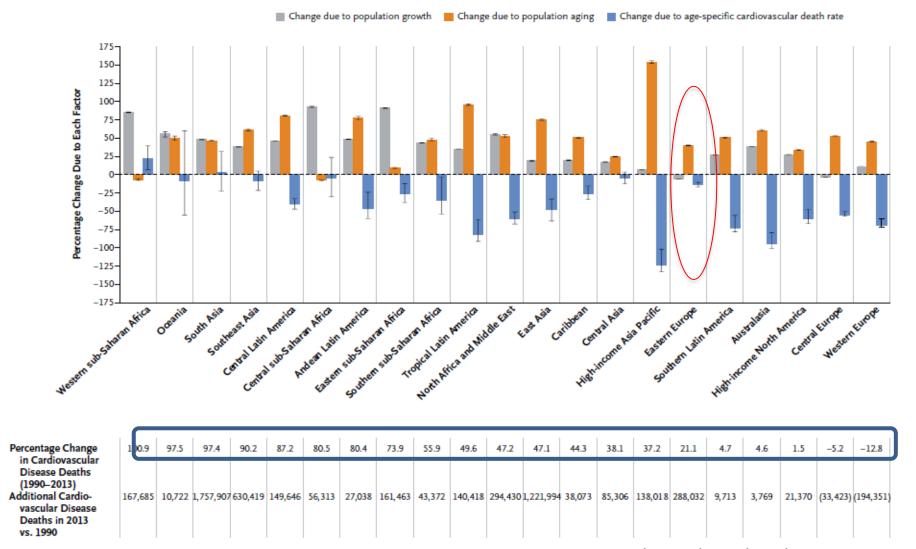


#### Hospitalization rates for HF in the USA from 1971-2006



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# Changes in Population Growth, Population Aging, and Rates of Age-Specific Cardiovascular Death to Changes in Cardiovascular Mortality, 1990–2013



#### 2005-2017

- 3 European Registries
- 1 Global registry
- 7 National Registries/observational studies/snapshots

	RO-AHFS <sup>11</sup> (2008-2009)	EHFS II <sup>7</sup> (2004-2005)	Italian AHF <sup>6</sup> (2004)	HF pilot <sup>10</sup> (2009-2010)	ALARM HF <sup>2</sup> (2006-2007)	OFICA <sup>3</sup> (2009)	AHEAD <sup>9</sup> (2006-2009)	IN-HF Outcome <sup>5</sup> (2007-2009)
	13 sites 1y all consecutive	133 sites 20pts/site	206 sites 3m consecutive	137 sites periodic	666 sites 5-8pts/site	170 sites 1d	7 sites	61 sites 1y-
Overall cohort (N)	N=3224	N=3580	N=2807	N=1892	N=4953	N=1468	N=4153	N=1855
Overall cohort-								
In-hospital ACM(%)	7.7	6.7	7.3	3.8	12	8.2	12.7	6.2

RO-AHFS	HF-pilot ESC(RO)	HF-LT ESC(RO)	SONIC-RO	
2008-2009	2009-2010	2011-2013	2012	
3224pts	578pts	505pts	1222 pts	
1 year-all consecutive	Periodic consecutive	Periodic consecutive	1 month-all consecutive	
13 sites	11 sites	8 sites	41 sites	
Chart review	Chart review	Chart review	Chart review	
5% central validation	10% central validation	10% central validation	100% central validation	
Diagnosis at admission	Diagnosis at admission	Diagnosis at admission	Diagnosis at admission	
EF>45%=33.9%	EF>45%=33.9%	EF>45%=33.9%	EF>45%=33.9%	

## Less than 5%- end stage HF



# The Romanian Acute Heart Failure Syndromes (RO-AHFS) Registry

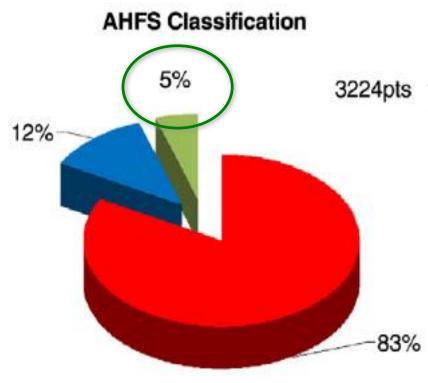
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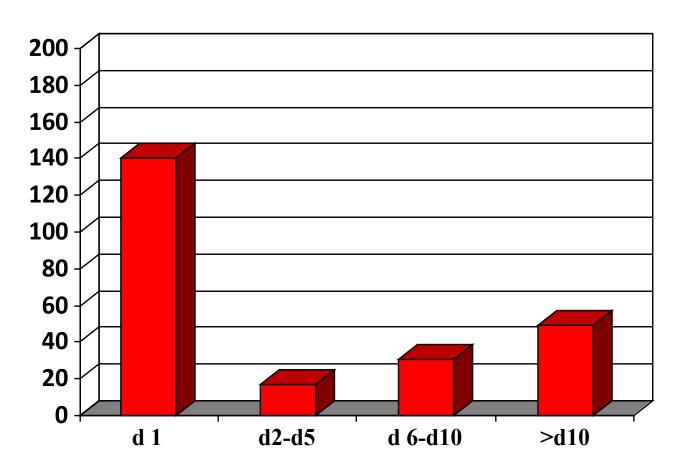


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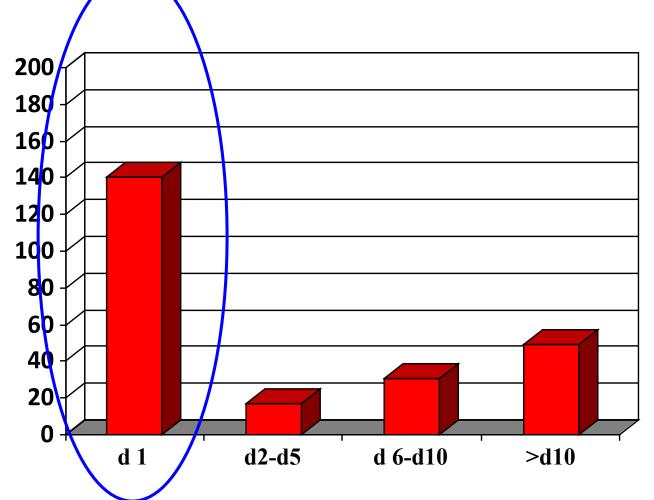
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Men	56	61	59	60	49	48	59
Severity/etiology							
LVEF (mean ± SD)	37.7 ± 12.5	$38 \pm 15$	38 ± 15	NA	34.4 ± 16.1	39.0 ± 17.6	NA
Ischemic	61	54	61	46	NA	46	33
Hypertensive	44	NA	15	15	NA	23	18
Medical history							
HTN	67	62	60	66	74	71	71
Dyslipidemia	40	NA	30	NA	37	32	35
Diabetes mellitus	33	33	27	38	44	42	34
Smoking	25	NA	34	15	14	NA	44
Atrial fibrillation	44	39	25	21	31	31*	40
Vitals							
HR (beats/min)	99	95	NA	97	NA	87	100
SBP (mm Hg)	143	135	126	141	144	143	146
IV therapies/procedure	al interventions						
Diuretics	80	84	87	95	92	NA	81
Nitrates	33	38	50	51	9	NA	26
Inotropes	18	30	53	25	15	15	20
IABP	0.2	<1	NA	NA	NA	NA	3
PCI/CABG	2/0.4	8/2	NA	5.5 <sup>†</sup>	8/NA	NA	9/1
ICD/PM	0.3/1.9	1/3	NA	NA NA	NA.	9/NA	3/5
Hospital course	,	-, -				.,	-, -
Median LOS (d)	8.4 <sup>‡</sup>	9	15	9	4	6.4 <sup>‡</sup>	21
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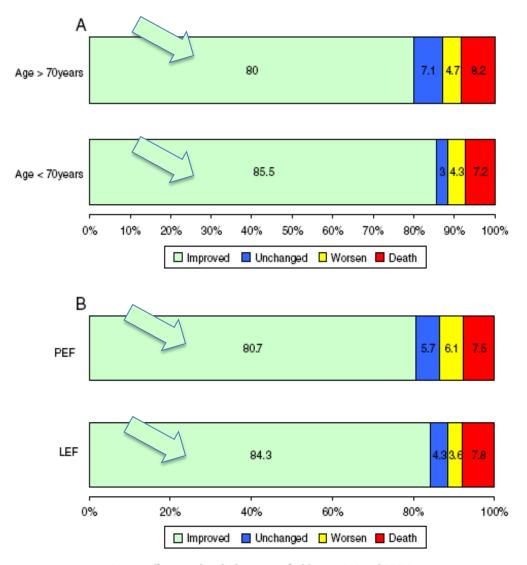


Fatal events according to day of hospitalization



Most of the deaths occurred in the first day of hospitalization

#### 15-20% of patients had "no clinical improvement" irrespective of age or LVEF



Patient self-assessed at discharge stratified by age (A) and EF (B).

Congestive Heart Failure

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11 academic hospitals

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# Differences in pattern of care between academic and regional hospitals



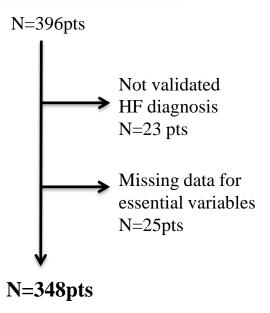
Transfers, N=85 pts

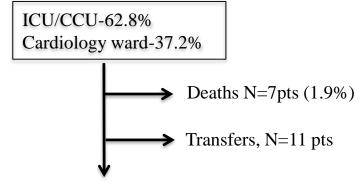
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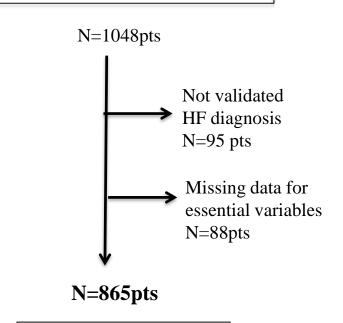
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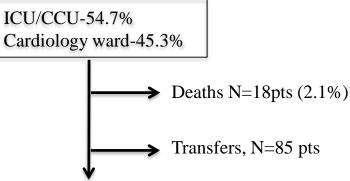




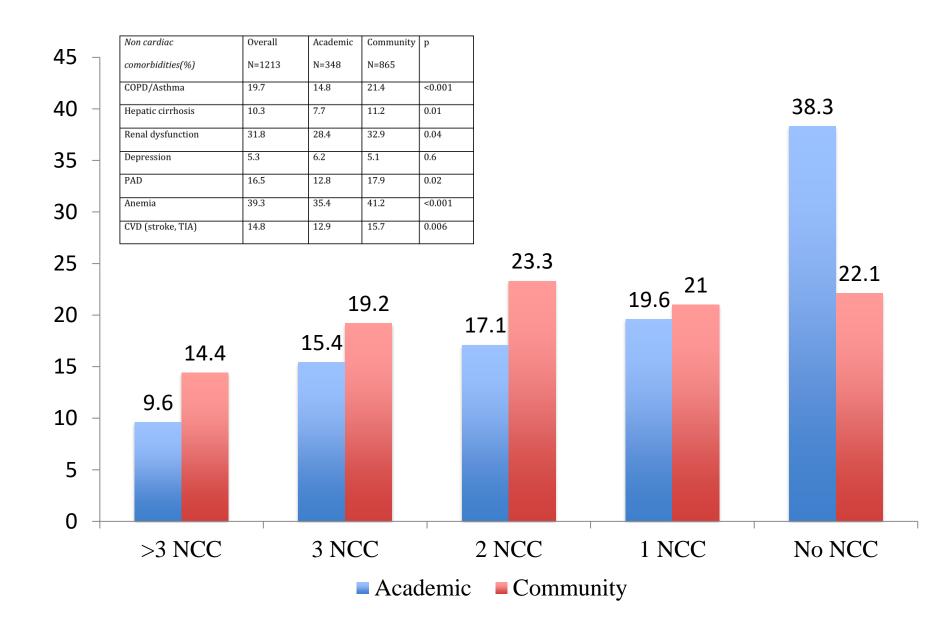
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## Relation between comorbidities and use of evidence based therapies in patients with inhospital heart failure- data from the SONIC-RO study

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**Table 2.** Rate of use of EBT at admission and discharge, by number of NCCM.

	Group 1 N=399	Group 2 N=508	Group 3 N=231	Group 4 N=69	Group 5 N=15
ACEI/ARB at admission (%)	48,37	50,19	51,94	49,27	40
ACEI/ARB at discharge (%)	55,63	56,47	55,84	53,62	53,33
Beta-blocker at admission (%)	64,91	61,37	58,87	56,52	66,66
Beta-blocker at discharge (%)	74,18	72,94	70,56	71,01	80
Mineral receptor antagonist at admission (%)	43,10	43,52	41,55	42,02	40
Mineral receptor antagonist at discharge (%)	53,88	53,89	53,90	53,91	53,92

### In-hospital procedures HF pilot study 2010-2011

	Romania	Altele EU	Odds Ratio [95% IC]
Coronarografie (%)	5.18	26.43	0.15 [0.09 - 0.24] **
PCI/CABG (%)	2.17	10.97	0.18 [0.09 - 0.37] **
Cateterism Drept (%)	0.27	4.79	0.05 [0.01 - 0.39] **
CRT (%)	0.54	4.10	0.13 [0.03 - 0.52] **
<i>ICD</i> (%)	0.27	6.10	0.04 [0.01 - 0.30] **





#### **ORIGINAL ARTICLE**

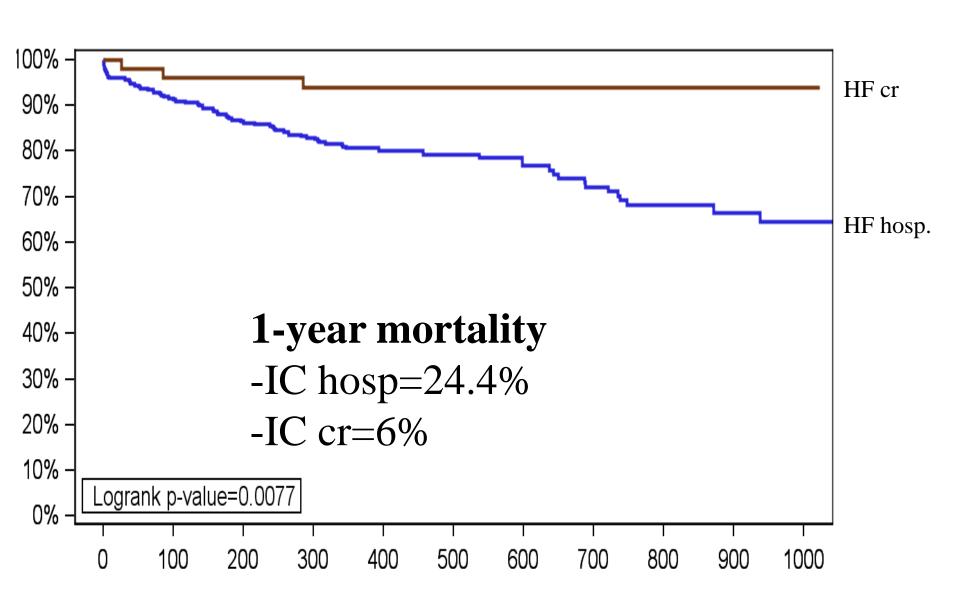
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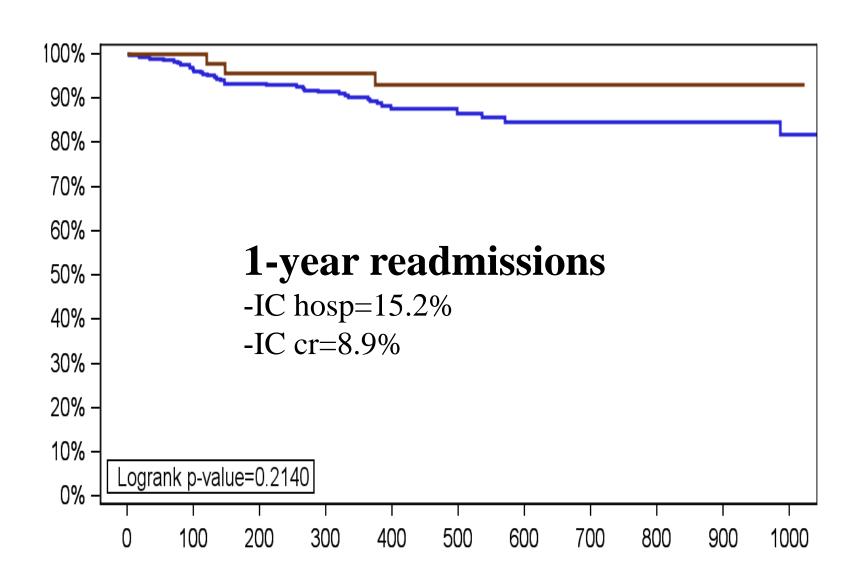
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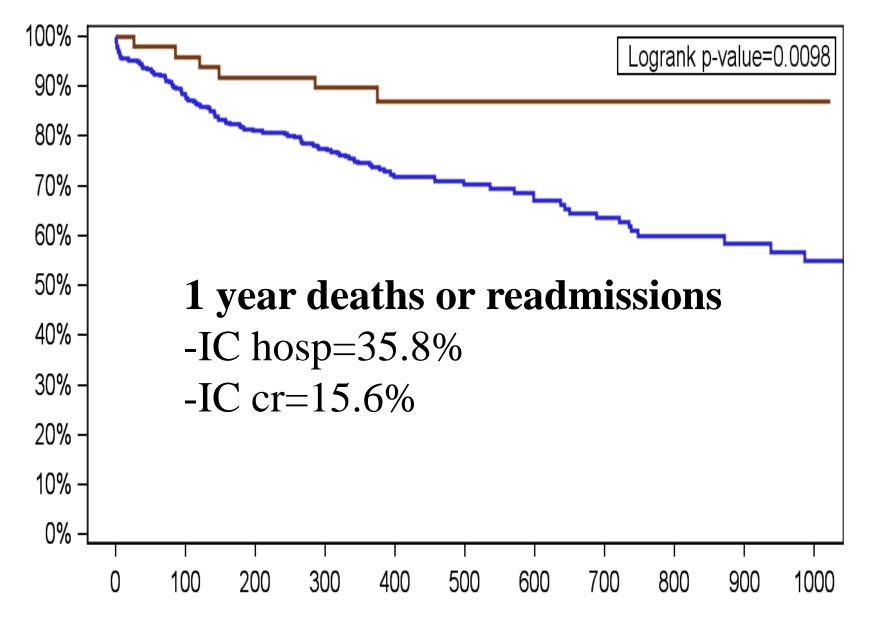
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The ESC-HF-LT registry shows that Romanian patients have similar prognostic characteristics as patients enrolled in other countries. I-year mortality of patients with acute HF is higher than the mortality of chronic HF patients.







# Conclusions(1)

- There are high quality epidemiological data coming from Romania
- There is a "risk-treatment paradox"
- There is a wide variability of care: academic vs regional hospitals
- 36% of HF patients died or have been rehospitalized at 1 year
- Need for innovative medication to decrease mortality and HF readmissions