

Treating Wild-Type ATTR Cardiac Amyloidosis Today

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Learning Objectives

- Recognize the challenges patients face prior to obtaining an ATTR amyloidosis diagnosis and the importance of early diagnosis
- Review the clinical presentation, treatment, and guidelines for wild-type ATTR amyloidosis and highlight the importance of a multidisciplinary team approach
- Integrate contemporary guidelines and treatment options in the care of patients with wild-type ATTR amyloidosis, whether managed in an academic centre or in community practice

Agenda

Topic	Facilitator
Welcome and Introductions	Dr. Nowell Fine
wtATTR Amyloidosis: A Distinct Disease to Diagnose and Treat	Dr. Margot Davis
Diving into the Reality of Managing wtATTR Amyloidosis	Dr. Nowell Fine Ms. Debra Bosley Dr. John Pasternak (Patient)
Managing wtATTR in your Own Clinic	Dr. Michael Heffernan
Q&A	ALL
Closing Remarks	Dr. Nowell Fine



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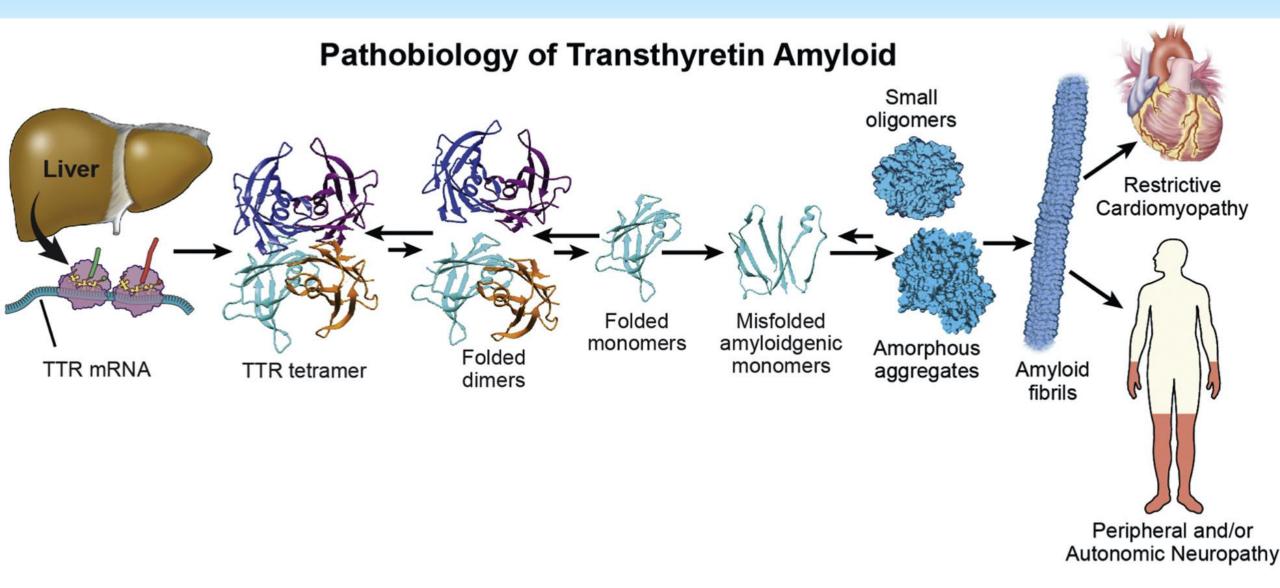


wtATTR Amyloidosis: A Distinct Disease to Diagnose and Treat

Margot K. Davis MD, MSc, FRCPC

Epidemiology of wtATTR

- Accurate population data are limited
- Wild-type disease is far more common than mutant
- Estimated that at least 25% of individuals >80 years of age have histological evidence of amyloid deposits in the heart
- ATTRwt accounts for ~13% of HFpEF cases in elderly patients (≥60 years old)
- Clinical features mimic other cardiac pathologies that frequently co-exist in advanced age, such as hypertensive heart failure and aortic stenosis



Cardiac Manifestations

Heart failure - frequently biventricular, typically preserved LVEF

Atrial fibrillation

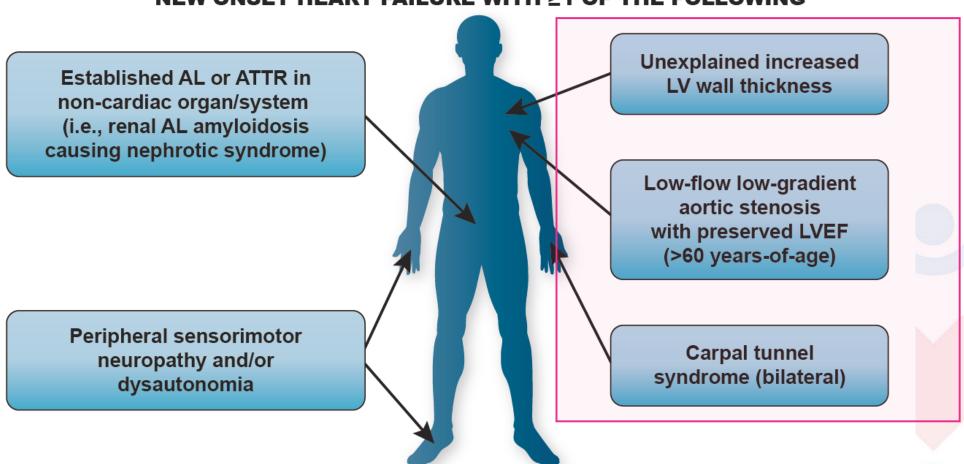
Conduction system disease

Ventricular arrhythmia - may be asymptomatic

Aortic stenosis - low-flow low-gradient for wtATTR, typically with preserved LVEF

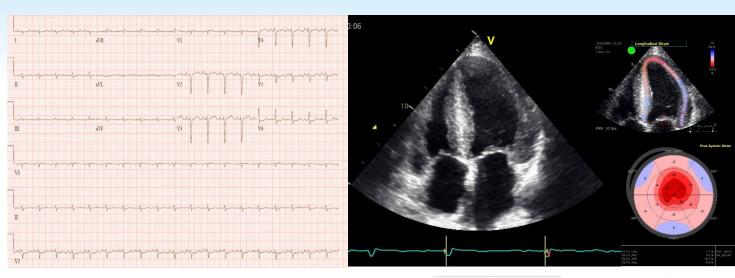
Index of Suspicion – Key Features

SUSPECT CARDIAC AMYLOIDOSIS WHEN NEW ONSET HEART FAILURE WITH ≥1 OF THE FOLLOWING



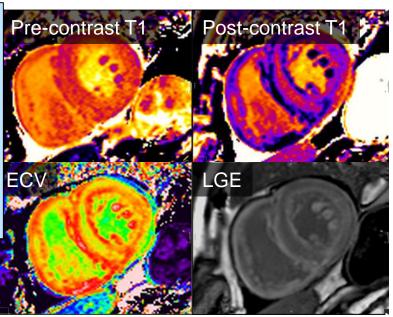
ECG

- Low voltage (especially limb leads)
- Pseudo-infarct pattern
- Atrial fibrillation
- Conduction system disease
- Ventricular ectopy



- Diffuse transmural or subendocardial pattern LGE
- Left atrial LGE
- Elevated native (noncontrast) T1 mapping time
- Extracellular volume expansion (postcontrast T1 mapping)

CMRI



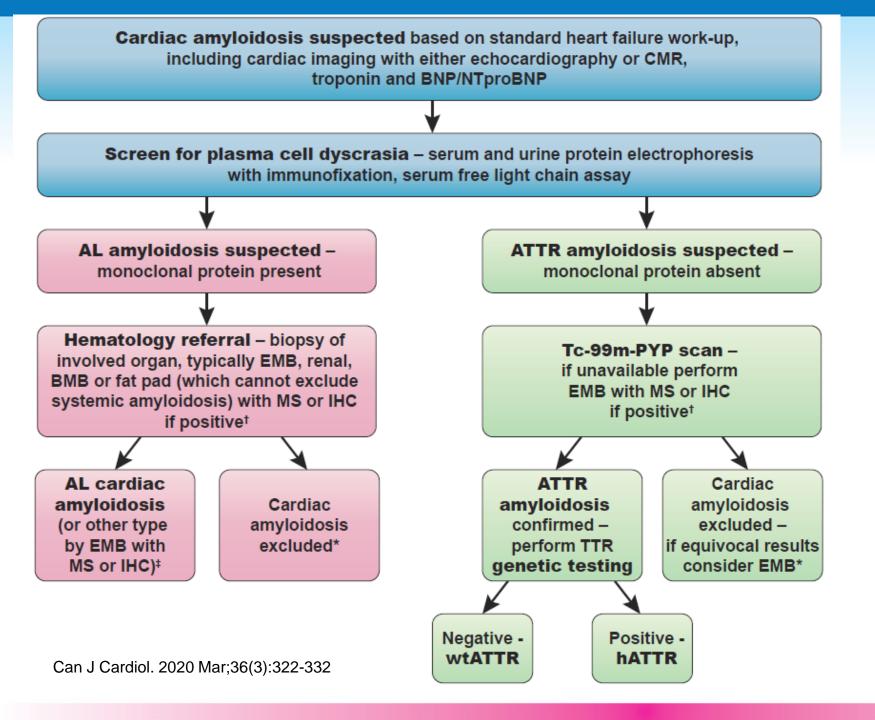


Echo

- Increased LV and RV wall thickness
- Preserved ventricular size, biatrial enlargement
- Diastolic dysfunction
- Increased valvular and interatrial septum thickness
- Small pericardial effusion
- Reduced LV GLS, preserved apical strain (basal-apical strain gradient)
- Increased myocardial radiotracer uptake equal to or greater than bone (≥Grade 2), or in quantitative comparison with the contralateral lung (HCL ratio ≥1.5)

Tc-99m-PYP

Courtesy Dr. James White, Dr. Denise Chan, University of Calgary



CCS/CHFS Joint Position Statement

Tc99m-PYP SPECT in Cardiac Amyloidosis

Intense diffuse myocardial uptake in a patient with ATTR cardiac amyloidosis, grade 2-3 compared with bone

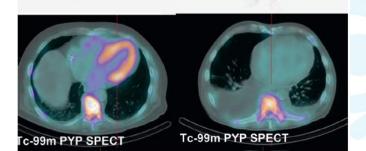
No/minimal myocardial uptake in a patient with AL cardiac amyloidosis, or other causes of LVH

Heart: Contralateral lung ratio >1.5 highly sensitive (>95%) and specific (>85%) for ATTR cardiac amyloidosis

ATTR, transthyretin amyloidosis; SPECT, single photon emission computed tomographyTc99m-PYP, ^{99m}technetium pyrophosphate.

J Am Coll Cardiol, 68(12), Falk RH et al., 1323-1341, (2016)





Planar whole body scan

With SPECT

Tc99m-PYP (Bone) Scintigraphy Enables the Diagnosis of Cardiac ATTR Amyloidosis Without the Need for Histology

Study Design

- 1217 patients with suspected cardiac amyloidosis
- Bone scintigraphy and biochemical investigations

Results

- 857 patients histologically proven amyloid (374 with endomyocardial biopsies)
- 360 patients nonamyloid cardiomyopathies
- Myocardial radiotracer uptake on bone scintigraphy was >99% sensitive and 86% specific for cardiac ATTR amyloid
 - False positives almost exclusively from uptake in patients with cardiac AL amyloidosis
- Combined findings of grade 2 or 3 myocardial radiotracer uptake on bone scintigraphy + absence of a monoclonal protein in serum or urine:
 - Specificity and positive predictive value for cardiac ATTR amyloidosis: 100% (CI 98.0-100)

Overview of Management

MANAGEMENT OF CARDIAC SEQUELAE

Cautious use or avoidance of beta-blockers, calcium channel blockers,
ACEI/ARBs and digoxin

Diuresis

Anticoagulation for atrial fibrillation/flutter

Pacemaker implantation for symptomatic bradycardia

Defibrillator implantation for secondary prevention in appropriate patients

Consideration of heart transplantation for highly selected patients

DISEASE MODIFYING THERAPY

Chemotherapy ± autologous stem cell transplantation for AL

Tafamidis for hATTR or wtATTR cardiomyopathy with NYHA I-III symptoms

Inotersen or patisiran for hATTR with ambulatory polyneuropathy symptoms

Liver transplant for hATTR

Supportive Care in Cardiac Amyloidosis

Recommendation

 We recommend that heart transplantation be considered for select patients with advanced HF due to cardiac amyloidosis, in whom significant extra-cardiac manifestations are absent and the risk of disease progression is considered low and/or amenable to disease modifying therapy (Strong Recommendation, Moderate-Evidence Quality).

Recommendation

 In the absence of contraindications, we recommend therapeutic anticoagulation in patients with cardiac amyloidosis and AF, regardless of calculated risk of stroke or systemic embolism. (Strong Recommendation, Low-Quality Evidence).

Disease-Modifying Therapy in Cardiac Amyloidosis

Recommendation

 We recommend tafamidis (if available) for patients with ATTR cardiac amyloidosis and NYHA class I-III symptoms. (Strong Recommendation, High-Quality Evidence).

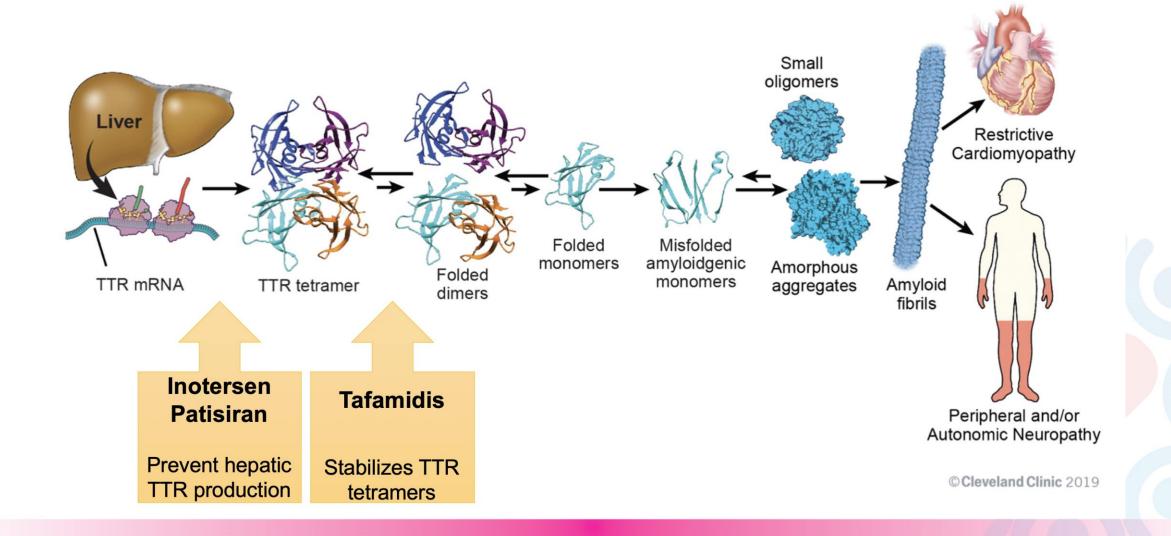
Recommendation

 We recommend treatment with a TTR RNA silencing agent (patisiran or inotersen) for patients with hereditary ATTR amyloidosis with ambulatory polyneuropathy (Strong Recommendation, High-Quality Evidence).

Summary of Evidence Deficiencies

- B Use of beta blockers, ACE/ARB, MRA, (ARNI), CCB, digoxin
- Role of liver transplant in era of ATTR disease-modifying therapy
- Role of LVAD
- --- Rate vs. rhythm control
- Warfarin vs DOAC
- Role of prophylactic pacemakers
- Role of CRT
- Criteria for primary prevention ICD

Emerging Therapeutic Targets of the Amyloidogenic TTR Cascade



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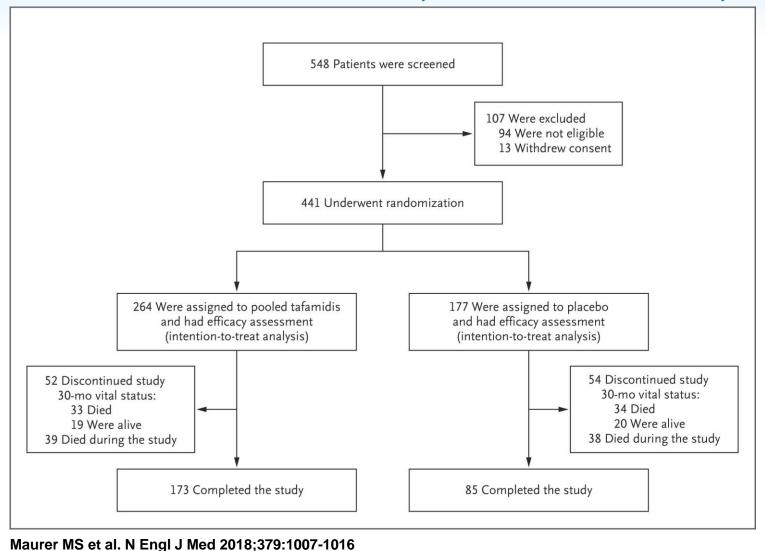
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Tafamidis Treatment for Patients with Transthyretin Amyloid Cardiomyopathy

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Randomization, Evaluation, & Outcomes

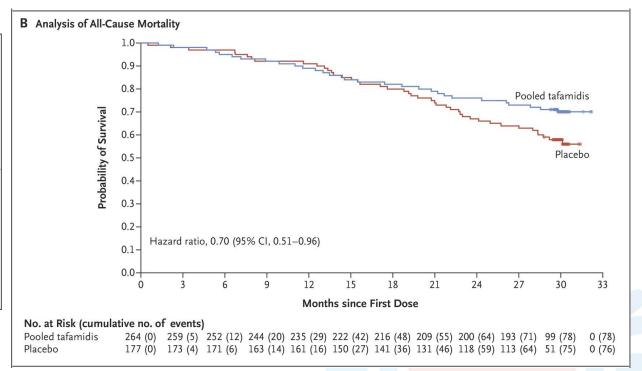


Characteristic	Tafamidis (N=264)	Placebo (N=177)	
Age — yr			
Mean	74.5±7.2	74.1±6.7	
Median (range)	75 (46–88)	74 (51–89)	
Sex — no. (%)			
Male	241 (91.3)	157 (88.7)	
Female	23 (8.7)	20 (11.3)	
Race — no. (%)			
White	hite 211 (79.9)		
Black	37 (14.0)	26 (14.7)	
Asian	13 (4.9)	5 (2.8)	
Other	3 (1.1)	0	
TTR genotype — no. (%)			
ATTRm	63 (23.9)	43 (24.3)	
ATTRwt	201 (76.1)	134 (75.7)	
Blood pressure — mm Hg			
Supine			
Systolic	115.4±15.4	115.1±15.7	
Diastolic	70.4±10.3	70.2±9.5	
Standing			
Systolic	115.5±15.5	115.9±15.9	
Diastolic	70.6±9.9	71.0±10.3	
Heart rate, mean — beats per minute			
Supine	70.7±12.3	69.9±11.7	
Standing	72.9±12.9	73.8±12.2	
NYHA Class — no. (%)			
Class I	ass I 24 (9.1)		
Class II	162 (61.4)	101 (57.1)	
Class III	78 (29.5)	63 (35.6)	
Modified BMI†	1058.8±173.8	1066.4±194.4	
NT-proBNP level — pg/ml			
Median	2995.9	3161.0	
Interquartile range	1751.5-4861.5	1864.4-4825.0	

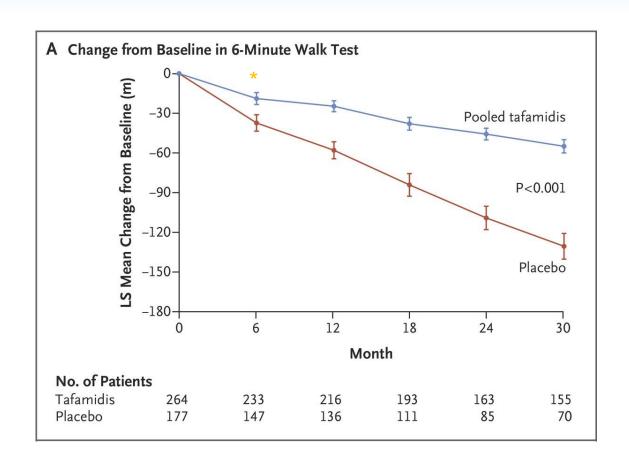
Table 1. Demographic and Clinical Characteristics of the Patients

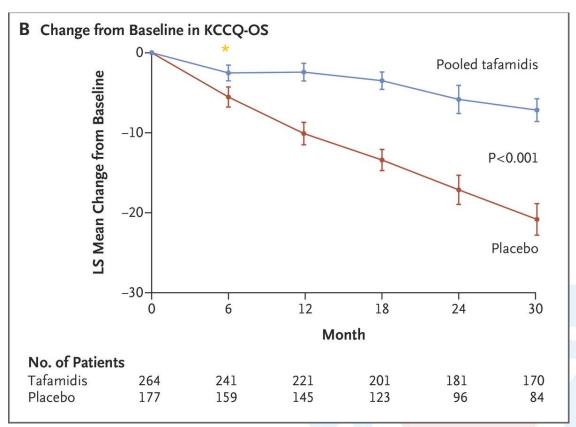
Primary Analysis and Components

	No. of Patients	P Value from Finkelstein–Schoenfeld Method	Win Ratio (95% CI)	Patients Alive at Mo 30	Average Cardiovascular-Related Hospitalizations during 30 Mo among Those Alive at Mo 30
				no. (%)	per patient per yr
Pooled Tafamidis	264			186 (70.5)	0.30
		<0.001	1.70 (1.26–2.29)		
Placebo	177			101 (57.1)	0.46
C Frequency of Card	No. of Patients	lated Hospitalizations No. of Patients with Cardiovascular- Related Hospitalizations		scular- Related italizations	Pooled Tafamidis vs. Placebo Treatment Difference
		total no. (%)	n	o. per yr	relative risk ratio (95% CI)
Pooled Tafamidis	264	138 (52.3)		0.48	
					0.68 (0.56-0.81)

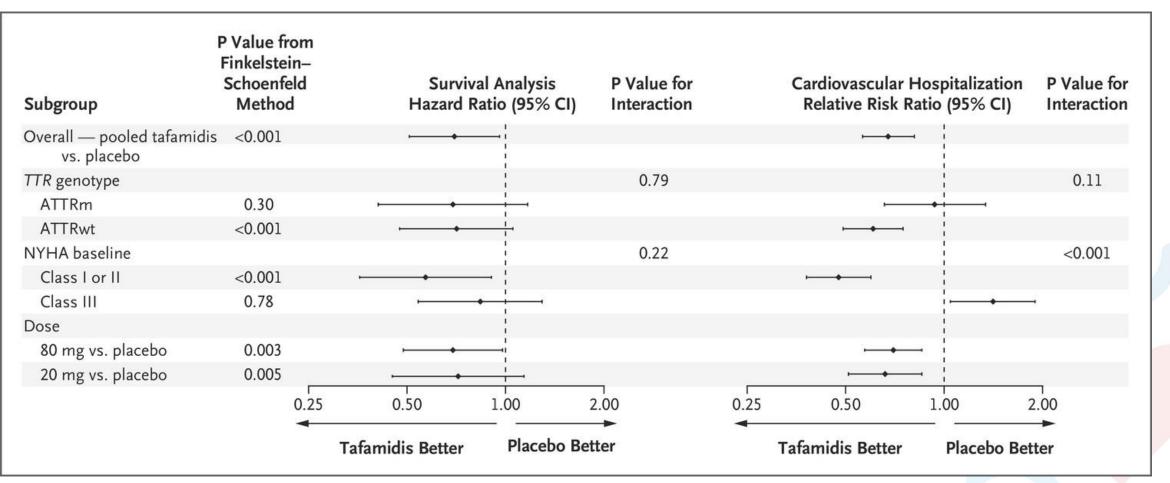


Key Secondary End Points





Tafamidis: Subgroup Analysis



Conclusions

- ATTR-CM is an underdiagnosed cause of heart disease
- Emerging therapeutic options act at different point in the amyloidogenic TTR cascade:
 - Silencers: Agents target suppression of amyloidogenic TTR
 - Stabilizers: TTR-stabilizing agents
 - Degraders: Removal of already deposited fibrils
- Tafamidis is the first HC-approved disease-modifying therapy for wtATTR-CM with the ability to prolong survival and improve symptoms in ATTR patients
- Additional therapies and advances in the diagnosis will continue to improve the care of this challenging and complex population



Q&A



Diving into the Reality of Managing wtATTR Amyloidosis

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John Pasternak (Patient)
MD



Caring for the wtATTR Patient: Clinic and Patient Perspectives

Debra Bosley, Nurse Clinician Cardiac Amyloidosis Clinic, University of Calgary

- Multidisciplinary 'team' approach to patient care
 - Nurse clinician, cardiologist
 - Other medical subspecialties Calgary Amyloidosis Working Group
- Referral review and triage
 - Client phone interview
 - Review investigations with cardiologist, determine appropriate preappointment testing
 - Imaging, AL urine/serum screening

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- Initial appointment
 - Need for subsequent investigations genetic testing
 - Management plan heart failure care, subspecialty referrals, diseasemodifying therapy
 - Patient/client education
 - Disease course, subtype, symptoms, progression
 - Clinic protocols and procedures

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Follow-up care

- Monitor and interpret follow-up testing, labs, symptoms
- Follow-up on medical subspecialty referrals
- Ongoing education and support for clients/families
- Liaise and coordinate with research team regarding clinical trials

Dr. John Pasternak Family Physician, wtATTR Patient

- What are the important considerations from the patient perspective of?
 - Initial consultation and diagnostic work-up
 - Follow-up management and care
 - What other advice do you have for healthcare providers of ATTR patients?



Q&A



Managing wtATTR in your own Clinic

Michael Heffernan MD, PhD, FRCPC, FACC

Translating Canadian Guidelines into Practice

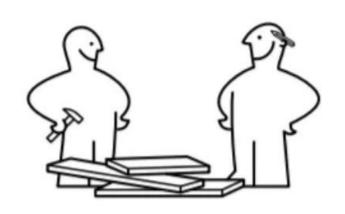
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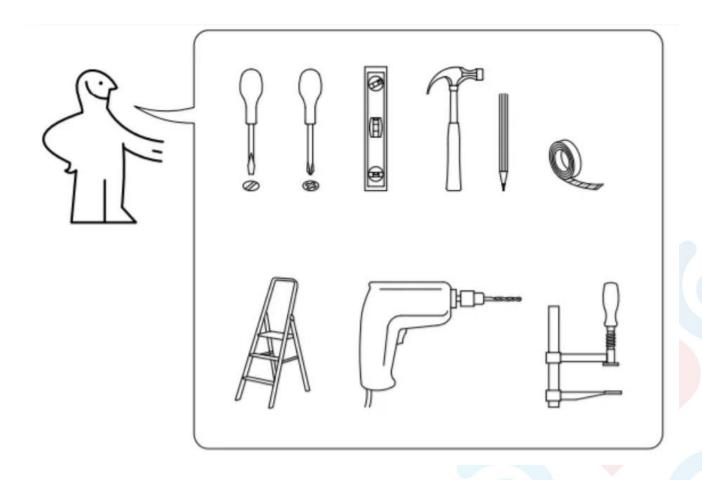
Society Position Statement

Canadian Cardiovascular Society/Canadian Heart Failure Society Joint Position Statement on the Evaluation and Management of Patients With Cardiac Amyloidosis

Primary Panel: Nowell M. Fine, MD, SM (Co-chair),^a Margot K. Davis, MD, SM (Co-chair),^b Kim Anderson, MD,^c Diego H. Delgado, MD,^d Genevieve Giraldeau, MD,^e Abhijat Kitchlu, MD,^d Rami Massie, MD,^f Jane Narayan, NP,^b Elizabeth Swiggum, MD,^g Christopher P. Venner, MD,^h Secondary Panel: Anique Ducharme, MD, MSc,^e Natalie J. Galant, PhD,^d Christopher Hahn, MD,^a Jonathan G. Howlett, MD,^a Lisa Mielniczuk, MD,ⁱ Marie-Claude Parent, MD,^e Donna Reece, MD,^d Virginie Royal, MD,^j Mustafa Toma, MD,^b Sean A. Virani, MD,^b and Shelley Zieroth, MD^k

Implementing The Guidelines At Your Centre



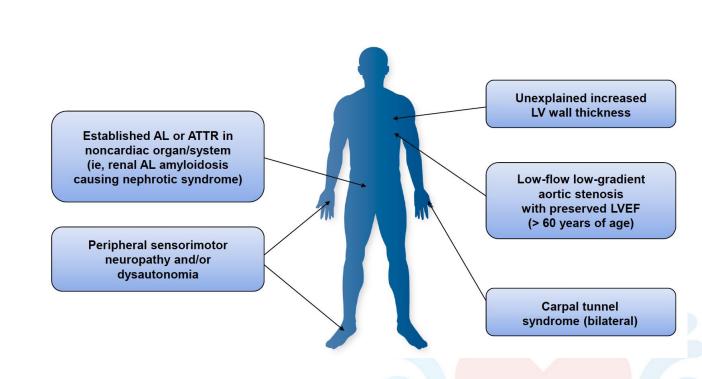


Diagnosis: It Begins With An Index of Suspicion

If amyloidosis is not in your differential diagnosis you will not make the diagnosis

Awareness of the ATTR Red Flags

Consider using search algorithms in your EMR to identify patients with Red Flag features that may have been overlooked in the past several years



AL Amyloid: Ruling Out A Medical Emergency

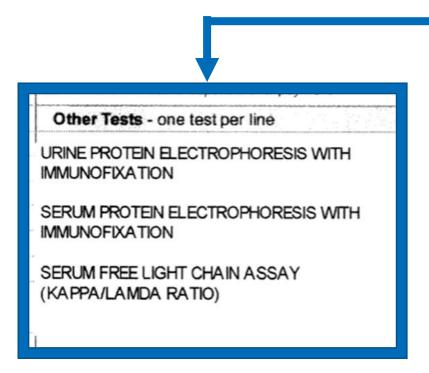
- AL amyloidosis, a multiorgan disease commonly affecting the kidney, resulting in nephrotic syndrome
- Cardiac involvement is the second most common presenting manifestation
- Other organ systems that may be involved include
 - Peripheral and autonomic nervous system
 - Vasculature
 - Liver
 - Gastrointestinal tract
 - Soft tissues.



Untreated, the median survival from onset of heart failure is approximately 6 months, but current therapies can induce a prolonged remission and extend life by many years

AL Amyloidosis Screen

Screening requisition in your EMR ready for use



Immunofixation will reveal an M-protein

sFLC will reveal an abnormal kappa-lambda ratio.

- < 0.26 monoclonal lambda light chain process
- > 1.65 monoclonal kappa light chain process.

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Diagnosis: Ruling in ATTR

Cardiac amyloidosis suspected based on standard heart failure work-up, including cardiac imaging with either echocardiography and/or CMR, troponin and BNP/NTproBNP

Screen for plasma cell dyscrasia – serum and urine protein electrophoresis with immunofixation, serum free light chain assay

ATTR amyloidosis suspected – monoclonal protein absent

Diagnosis: Establishing Cardiac PYP Scanning

Radiopharmaceutical and Dose: Tc99m Pyrophosphate / 15-20mCi

Imaging Time: 1 hour-post injection

May have to image at 2 hours post injection if the heart: contralateral ratio is

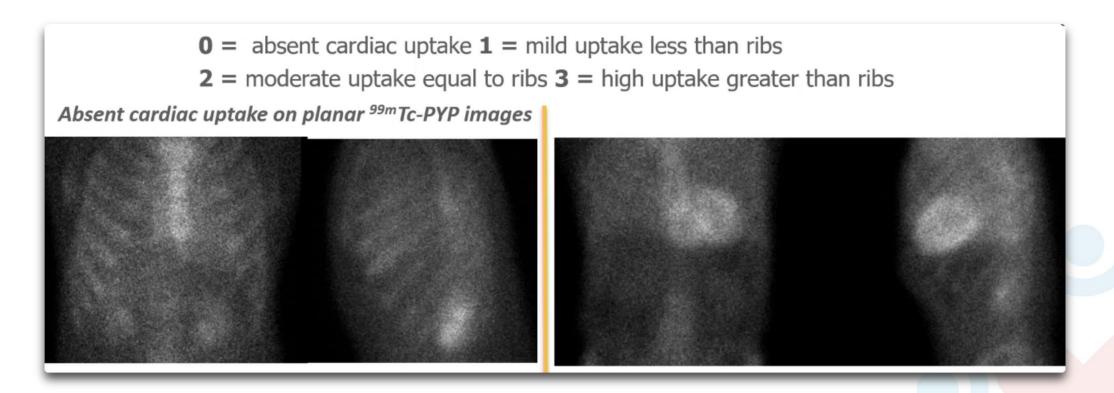
1.3-1.6 (equivocal range) and/or the visual grade is 1 or 2

Acquisition: Planars: Anterior, Left Lateral (8min/750kcts/Zoom 1.5)

SPECT and gated planars (differentiate between myocardial uptake vs blood

pool) should be performed for equivocal studies.

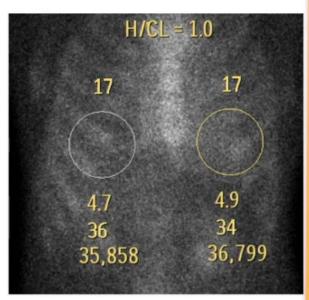
Visual Scoring

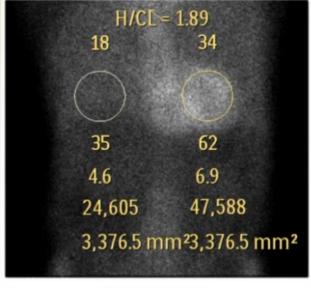


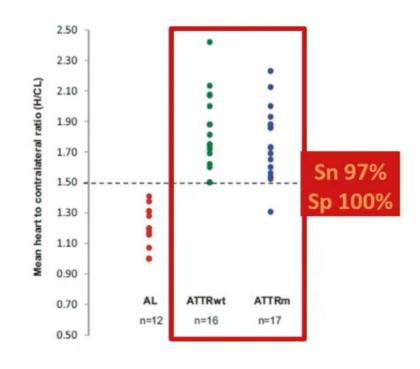
Opacity in cavity excludes blood pool

Quantitative Analysis

- Circular ROI over heart, copied, mirrored CL chest
- Mean counts/pixel corrected for background counts
- Heart-to-contralateral ratio (H/CL)







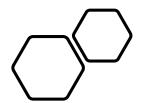
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Cardiac PYP: Stepwise Image Analysis

- Image quality
 - Need to see the ribs and sternum clearly
- Visual Scan interpretation
 - Note focal hotspots and agreement with sampling windows
- Semi-quantatative interpretation in relation to rib uptake
 - Grade 0 to 3
- Quantitative scoring of heart to contralateral lung ratio
- SPECT analysis for equivocal studies
 - Rule in or out blood pool false positive



Responding to the PYP Result



Positive

Refer to regional centre for treatment until this is more widely available

Would expect local initiation of therapy in the future



Equivocal

Rescan PYP with SPECT
Perform cardiac MRI
Biopsy



Negative

Consider another etiology

A full-length variant (Phe64Leu and Thr59Lys) is an important false negative and will require a biopsy if your clinical suspicion is high

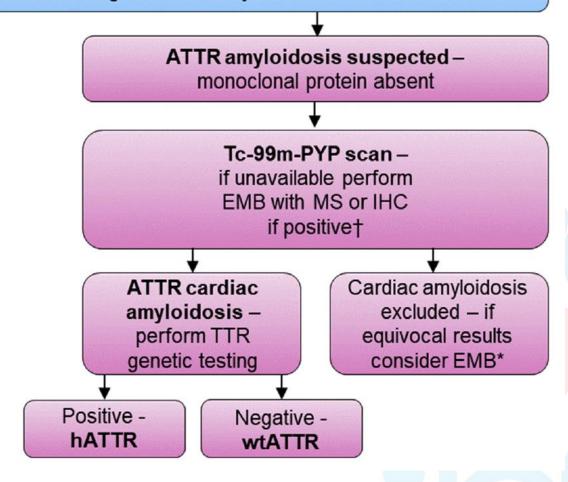


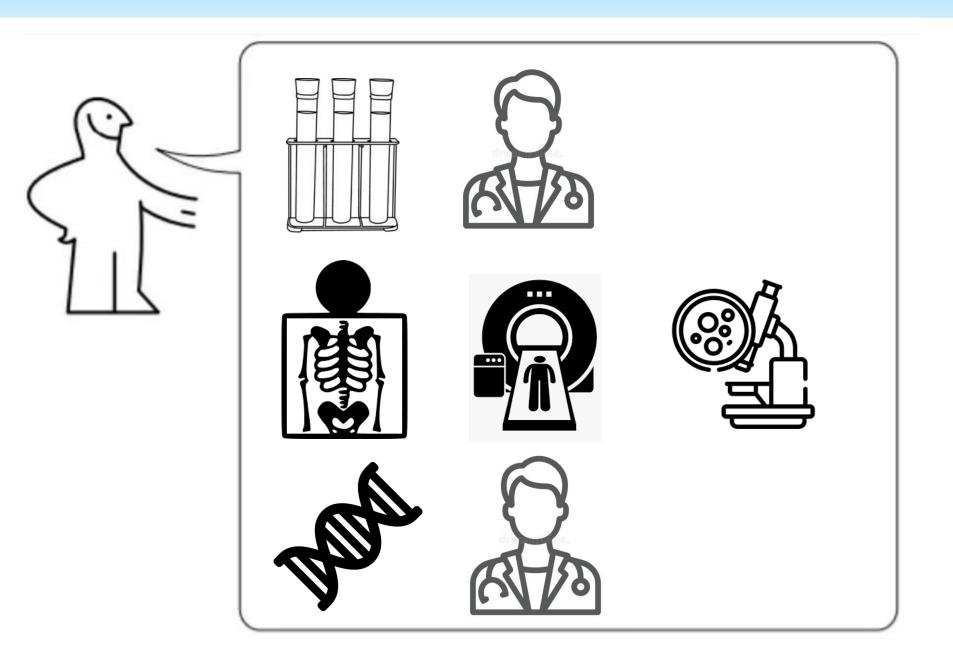
Diagnosis: Genetic Analysis

- A positive ATTR patient will require genetic testing
- Genetic tests are readily available (similar to the 23andMe home kit)
- Wide regional variation of accessibility to genetic counselling
- Recognized mutations (hATTR) and wild type (wATTR) are definitive
- Mutations of unknown significance are just that
 - Input of a geneticist is helpful

Cardiac amyloidosis suspected based on standard heart failure work-up, including cardiac imaging with either echocardiography and/or CMR, troponin and BNP/NTproBNP

Screen for plasma cell dyscrasia – serum and urine protein electrophoresis with immunofixation, serum free light chain assay











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Evaluations and Certificates

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