

# Predictors and management of ventricular dysfunction in paced patients

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# Topics

- I. Prevalence, mechanism of DCM in CCAVB
- II. Influence of the ventricular pacing site on LV function (*predictors*)
- III. CRT/Biventricular pacing in children (*management*)

# Prevalence of DCM in CCAVB

- DCM/HF developed in 8 of 32 (**25%**) patients who underwent PMI but in none of 6 patients who did not *(Tsujii, Circ J 2016)*
- postnatal DCM was present in 35 cases of 186 (**18.8%**) and among the 35 cases, 9 (26%) had PMI and 14 (40%) died *(Levesque, Autoimmun Rev 2015)*
- 325 children with cardiac NL, 40 (**12%**) cardiac-related deaths, with 37 from cardiomyopathy *(Izmirly. Circulation 2011)*
- impaired LV function in 17 (**12%**) of 141 cases in a multicenter study. *(Eliasson, Circulation 2011)*
- **7-10%** of chronically RV-paced patients develop **heart failure** and that up to **13%** have **depressed LV function** combined with LV dilatation.

*Moak J Am Coll Cardiol 2011, Gebauer Eur Heart J 2009, Vatasescu Europace 2007*

# Etiology of DCM in CCAVB

**Table 1. Cardiac Manifestations of Neonatal Lupus<sup>3,3,5</sup>**

Congenital complete AV block (CCAVB) (irreversible)

1st degree AV block (may be reversible)

2nd degree AV block (may be reversible)

Dilated cardiomyopathy

(from autoimmune injury and/or chronic RV pacing)

(can occur in the absence of CCAVB)

Endocardial fibroelastosis (EFE)

Sinus bradycardia or sick sinus syndrome

(possibly from autoimmune injury to  $I_{CaL}$ ,  $I_{CaT}$ )

QT prolongation

AV valve insufficiency

(from chordal rupture)

Horigome, Circulation Journal Vol.80, May 2016

LV dysfunction at F-UP was associated with abnormal LV function before PMI

(Eliasson, Circulation 2011)

# Etiology of DCM in CCAVB

- pathological studies demonstrated antibodies, complements, and signs of inflammation or fibrosis throughout the myocardium, suggesting the importance of “**autoimmun**” mechanisms

Ambrosi, *Exp Cell Res* 2014

- there is a convincing number of reports demonstrating that chronic right ventricular **(RV) single-site pacing** can cause left ventricular (LV) dysfunction and DCM through ventricular dyssynchrony

Tsujii, *Circ J* 2016

Gebauer, *Eur Heart J* 2009

van Geldorp *Heart Fail Rev* 2011

# Etiology of DCM in CCAVB

- Chronic **RV pacing**, rather than the aetiology of **AV block**, has been identified as an independent risk factor for development of LV dilatation and dysfunction

Karpawich, Pacing Clin Electrophysiol 1999

Gebauer, Eur Heart J 2009

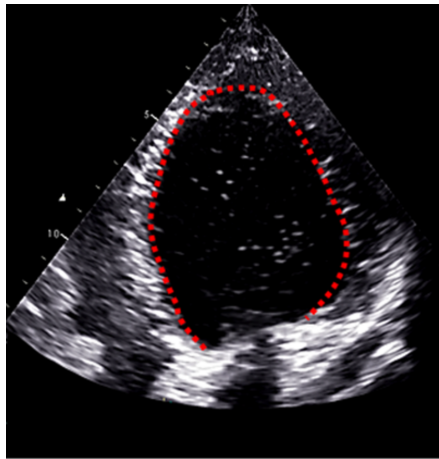
- implication of RV single-site pacing in the development of DCM is supported by the fact that
  - **DCM may develop** after PMI in patients with **originally normal LV** function
  - **improvement or resolution** of LV dysfunction/heart failure **after upgrading** the pacemaker to the CRT system or changing the pacing site to the LV
- **maternal autoantibody status did not significantly influence** LV function or LV dilatation score

van Geldorp Heart Fail Rev 2011

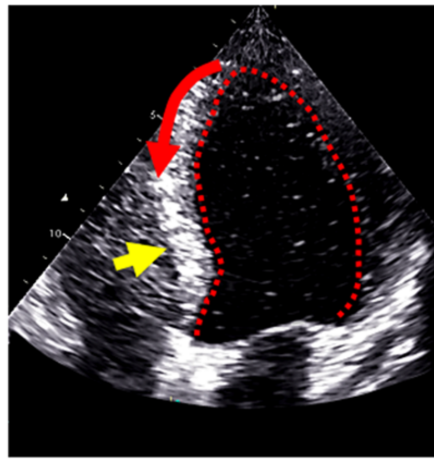
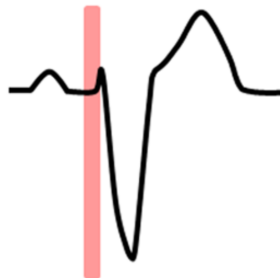


# Mechanisms of DCM Development by RV Pacing

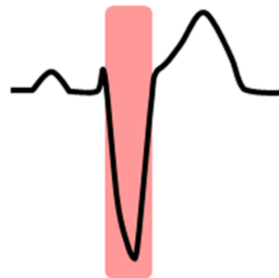
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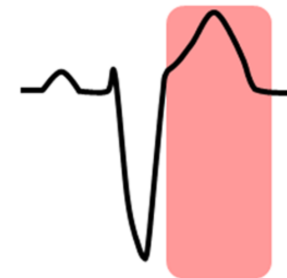
**End diastole**



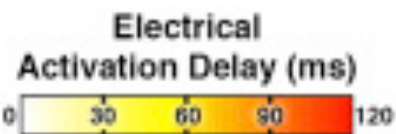
**Isovolumic contraction**



**End systole**



## Native LBBB



## RV Pacing



Myofiber Strain

AVO

AVC

Stretching ↑

Shortening ↓

Septum

Postero-lateral Wall

Apical Rocking

Myofiber Strain

AVO

AVC

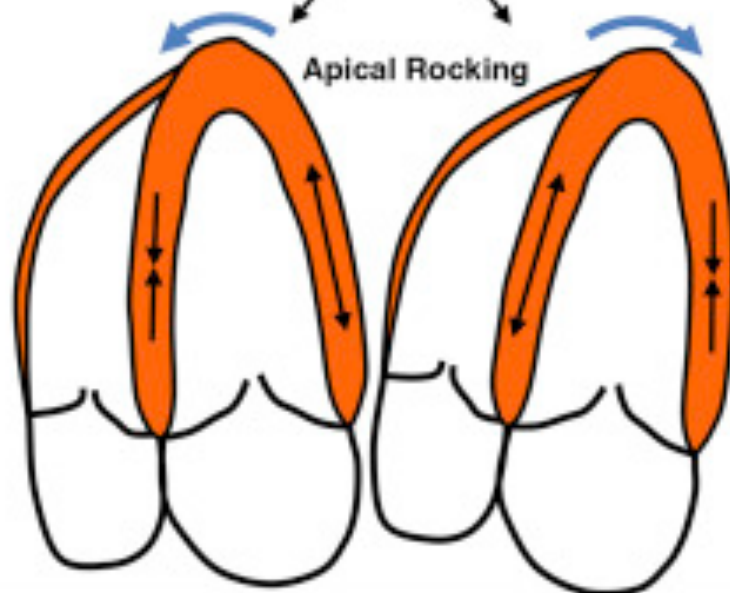
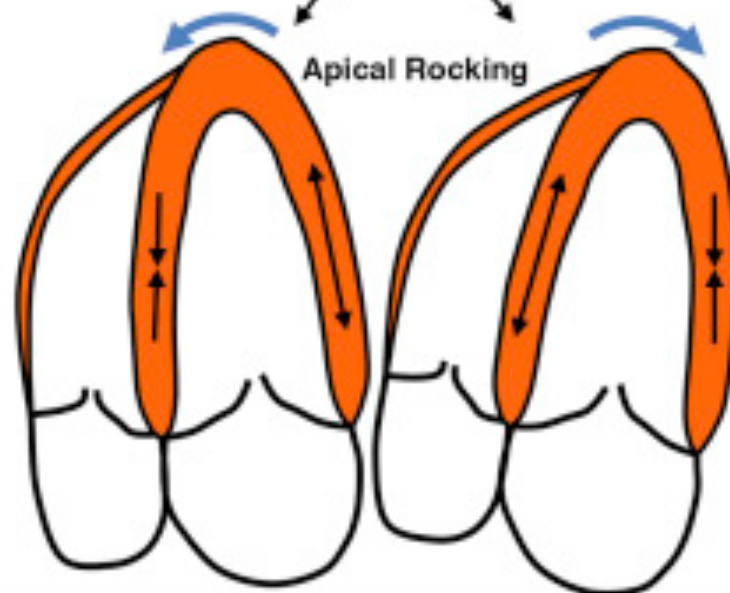
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# Influence of the ventricular pacing site on LV function

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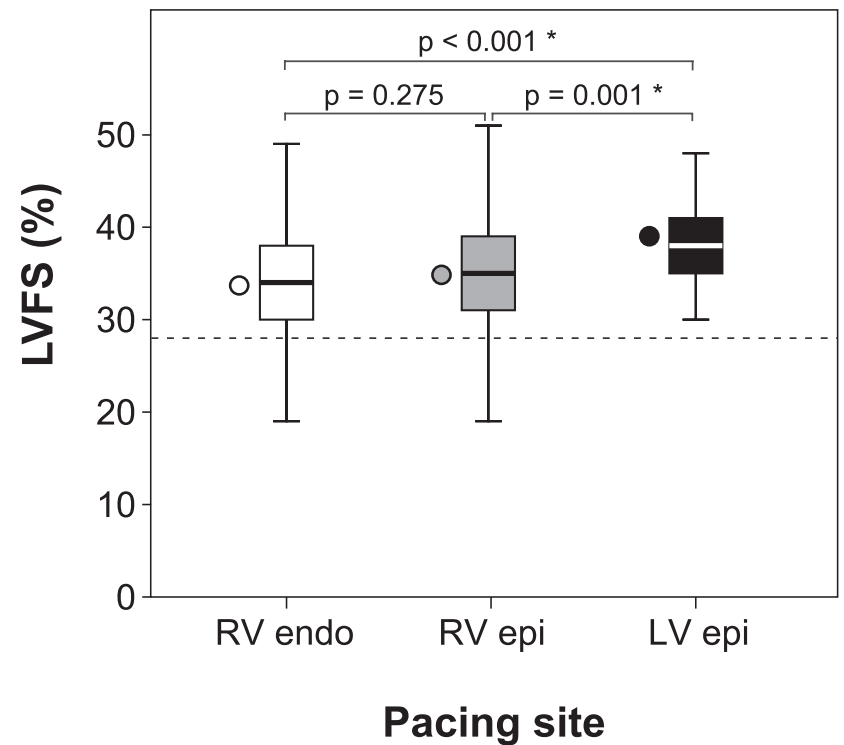
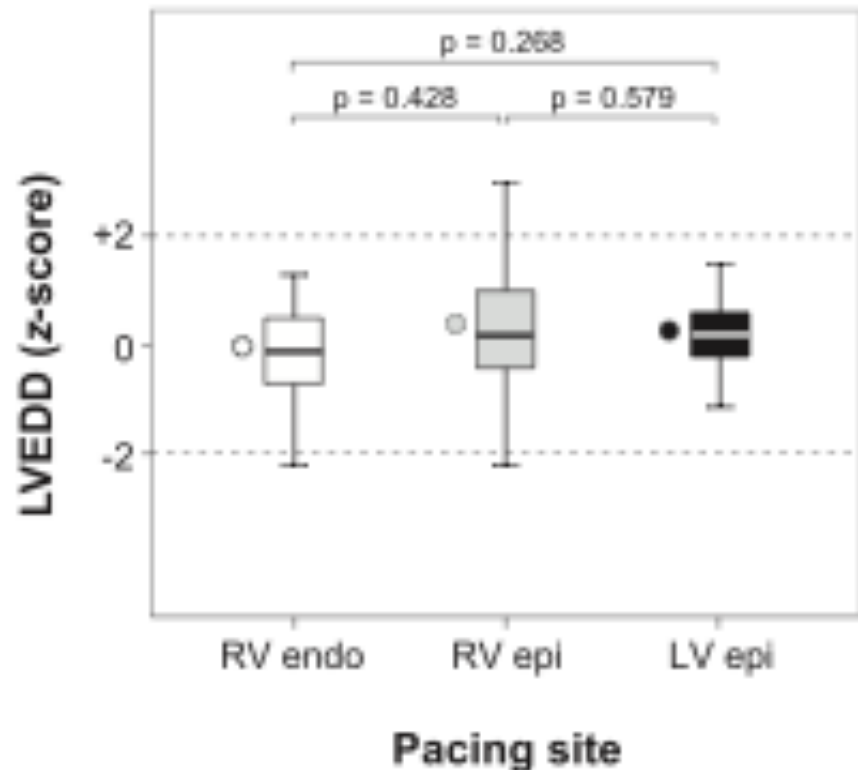
## **Impact of the permanent ventricular pacing site on left ventricular function in children: a retrospective multicentre survey**

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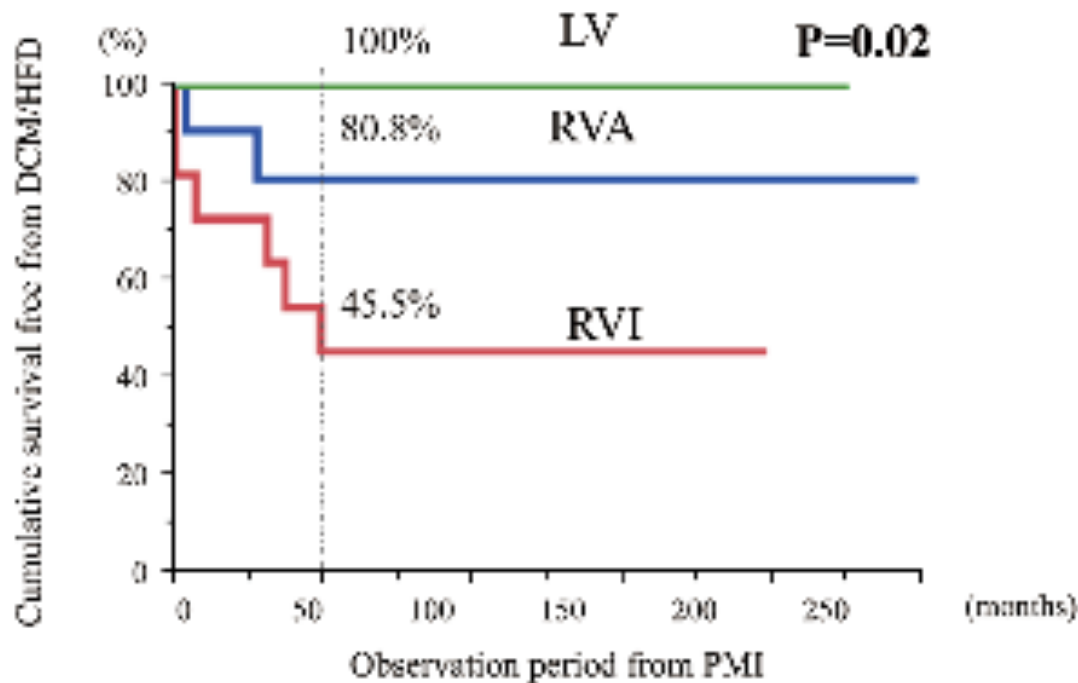
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it is predominantly the pacing site that affects LV function, as reflected by

- (1) a higher LVFS in the LV- paced group than in the RV-paced groups;
- (2) pacing site being the only significant factor influencing LVFS
- (3) dissimilar incidence of patients with LVFS<28% between the pacing site group

# High Incidence of Dilated Cardiomyopathy After Right Ventricular Inlet Pacing in Patients With Congenital Complete Atrioventricular Block

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**Figure 3.** Kaplan-Meier survival curves against the development of DCM/HFD in CCAVB patients after PMI. The cumulative probability of avoidable DCM/HFD at 50 months is 100% with LV pacing, 80.8% with RVA pacing, and 45.5% with RVI pacing ( $P=0.02$ ). No patient developed DCM or died after 50 months of PMI, CCAVB, congenital complete atrioventricular block; DCM/HFD, dilated cardiomyopathy/heart failure death; PMI, pacemaker implantation; LV, left ventricle; RV, right ventricle; RVA, RV apex; RVI, RV inlet.

# Predictors of DCM in CCAVB

## preservation of LV function by LV pacing

- During LV (free wall) pacing, the total duration of activation is **prolonged similarly** to that during RV free wall pacing, reflected by a similar QRS duration.
- LV pacing activates the LV lateral wall before the septum and RV lateral wall, **preventing paradoxical** septal movement and resulting in better haemodynamic performance
- above and **beyond synchrony** (reflected by the total duration of activation), the **sequence of activation** is a **major determinant** of cardiac pump function



# Management of DCM in CCAVB

## Revision of Pacing Site/Mode

**Table 2.** Examples of CCAVB in Children With DCM Who Underwent Revision of Pacing Site/Mode

| Case no. | Author                        | Year | Original pacing site (age) | Revised PM site/mode (age) | Before PM revision       | After PM revision, clinical outcome                     |
|----------|-------------------------------|------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 1        | Moak et al <sup>10</sup>      | 2006 | RV (0.2 years)             | CRT (6 years)              | LVEF 30%                 | LVEF 59%  |
| 2        | Moak et al <sup>10</sup>      | 2006 | RV (3 years)               | CRT (15.5 years)           | LVEF 20%                 | LVEF 60%  |
| 3        | Moak et al <sup>10</sup>      | 2006 | RV (5.5 years)             | CRT (17 years)             | LVEF 12%                 | LVEF 66%  |
| 4        | Vanagt et al <sup>11</sup>    | 2007 | RV free wall (1 day)       | LV apex (2 years)          | LVSF 20%                 | LVSF 36%  |
| 5        | Kurosaki et al <sup>12</sup>  | 2008 | RV (5 days)                | LV (5 years)               | –                        | Alive (for 10.5 years), LVSF 38%, CTR 54%, BNP 17 pg/ml |
| 6        | Kurosaki et al <sup>12</sup>  | 2008 | RV (10 days)               | CRT (4 years)              | –                        | Alive (for 4.3 years), LVSF 20%, CTR 54%, BNP 23 pg/ml  |
| 7        | Kurosaki et al <sup>12</sup>  | 2008 | RV (1 day)                 | LV                         | –                        | Alive (for 11.2 years), LVSF 31%, CTR 55%, BNP 56 pg/ml |
| 8        | Kurosaki et al <sup>12</sup>  | 2008 | RV (5 days)                | CRT-P (6 months)           | –                        | Died (7 months) from DCM                                |
| 9        | Gebauer et al <sup>8</sup>    | 2009 | RV free wall (neonatal)    | CRT (3.4 years)            | NYHA class IV, LVSF 30%  | Deterioration, LVSF 10%                                 |
| 10       | Matsuhisa et al <sup>13</sup> | 2014 | RV lateral (0.2 years)     | LV apex (3.8 years)        | LVSF 24%, BNP 18.2 pg/ml | LVSF 41%, BNP 10.2 pg/ml                                |
| 11       | Matsuhisa et al <sup>13</sup> | 2014 | LV base (1.2 years)        | LV apex (4.7 years)        | LVSF 14%, BNP 327 pg/ml  | LVSF 48%, BNP 21.1 pg/ml                                |
| 12       | Horigome et al <sup>15</sup>  | 2014 | RV (neonatal)              | CRT-P (16 months)          | CTR 70%, BNP 6,520 pg/ml | CTR 55%, BNP 28 pg/ml                                   |
| 13       | Ellesøe et al <sup>16</sup>   | 2014 | RV outflow (31 days)       | CRT-P (16 months)          | LVSF 10%                 | LVSF 33%  |
| 14       | Tsujii et al <sup>4</sup>     | 2016 | RV inflow                  | LV apex                    | –                        | Alive (for 7 years), NYHA class I                       |
| 15       | Tsujii et al <sup>4</sup>     | 2016 | RV apex                    | CRT                        | –                        | Alive (for 8 years), NYHA class I                       |

# Left ventricular pacing in neonates and infants with isolated congenital complete or advanced atrioventricular block: short- and medium-term outcome

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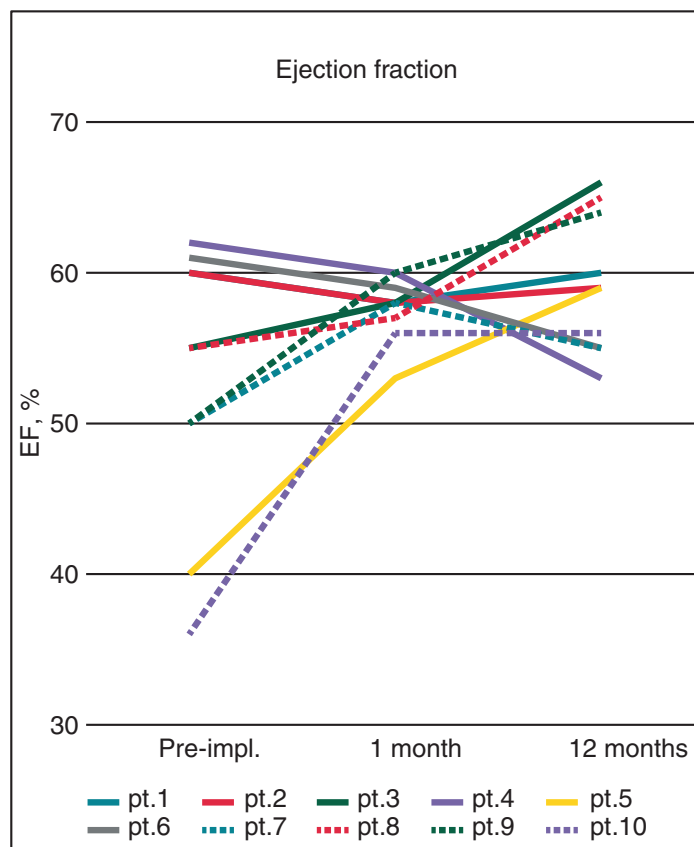
# Left ventricle with isolated atrioventricular block: long-term outcome

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**Figure 2** Changes in LV EF. pt., patient; pre-impl., before pace-  
 maker implantation. Median (range): pre-impl. 55% (36–62%); 1  
 month 58% (53–60%); 12 months 59% (53–66%). Kendall's coeffi-  
 cient 0.35,  $P = 0.4$ . See text for further details.

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# Summary I.

- Development of DCM in CCAVB children is frequently associated with pre-PMI LV dysfunction possibly caused by an autoimmune mechanism
- However, it can occur after chronic RV single-site pacing, even in patients with completely normal echocardiography before PMI

# Summary II.

- tailored follow-up of patients at risk and
- accurate monitoring of LV function before and after PMI

## MANDATORY

- for detection of deterioration of LV dysfunction at an early stage (+revision of pacing site)



Thank you !

