



*Smart*CRT™

The Clinical Perspective

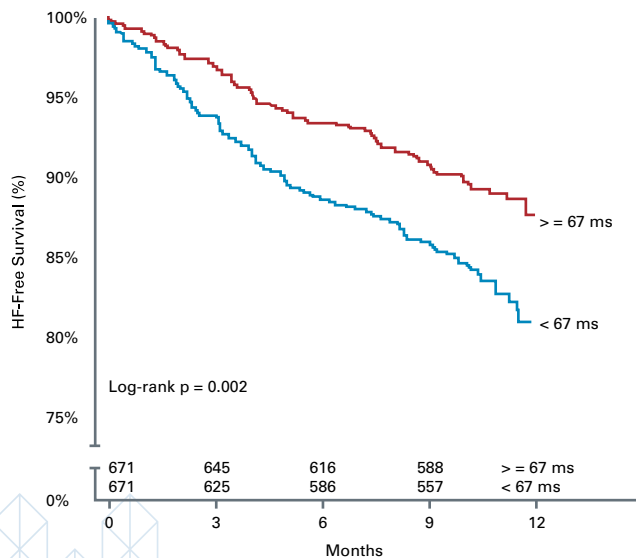
Where to pace

Gold et al. Poster @ HRS 2016 – full paper submitted

PEGASUS Sub-Analysis¹

Evaluation of the relationship between RV-LV delay and HF hospitalisation and death

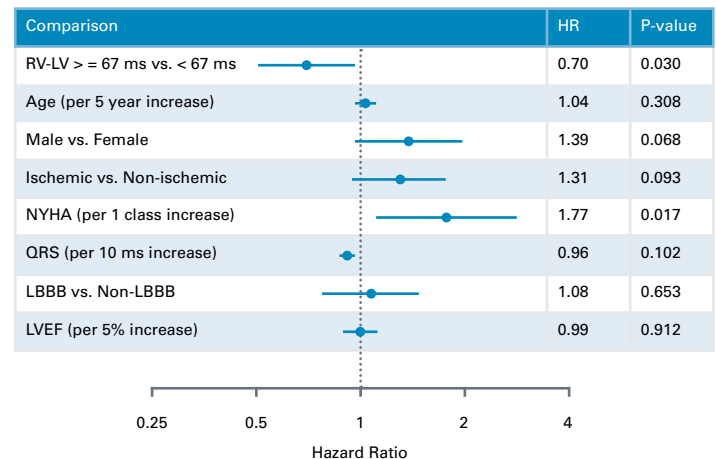
- n = 1342 enrolled in PEGASUS², multicentre, randomised, blinded endpoints
- Primary endpoint: composite score of hospitalisation and death
- What do we know?
 - Anatomic LV lead position has no significant impact on CRT response, except worsening in apex
 - Longer RV-LV delay results in greater reverse remodeling, reduced hospitalisation and death



Gold M. et al., ESC 2014 (n = 1342)³

30%

Reduction of risk of HF hospitalisation or death associated with longer RVS-LVS delay.



- Baseline RV-LV dyssynchrony predicted CRT response
 - Independent of QRS duration (> 130 ms) and morphology
- RV-LV pacing interval is a strong and independent predictor of clinical response for CRT
- Measuring RV-LV time at implantation may help to identify optimal pacing sites

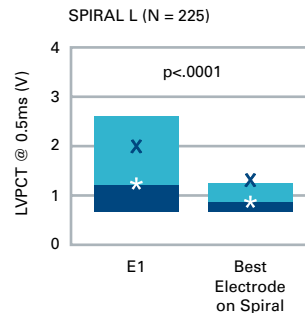
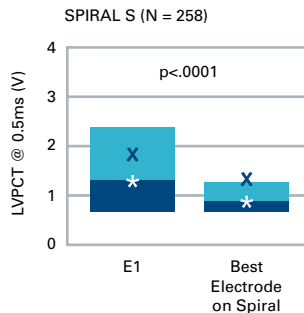
Where to pace

Mittal et al. 2016 J Cardiovasc Electrophysiol

NAVIGATE X4 Study⁴

Evaluation of the relationship between RV-LV delay and HF hospitalisation and death

- Prospective, single-arm, non-randomised, multicentre clinical trial
- Enrolment of 791 patients in 88 US centres
 - n = 520 (either Spiral L or S) / n = 218 (Straight lead)
- Primary endpoint: 6-month LV lead-related complication rates
- Three lead options – thus, greater opportunity for non-apical pacing
- Significant reduced number of complications (PNS and dislodgement) due to the lead design and 17 possible pacing vectors



- 99.1% dislodgement complication free rate
- 0.4% re-intervention rate for PNS
- 0.9V median pacing capture thresholds (PCT) for the best proximal electrode of the ACUITY X4 Spiral leads
- 97% implant success
- Low acute (i.e. dislodgement) and chronic complication rates
- Spiral lead: pacing threshold is lower from proximal electrodes
- Basal pacing reveals less PNS (PNS in 8% of patients)
- LV lead in apex: 2.4-fold risk of HF/death and 5-fold risk of death alone⁵
- Pacing from latest mechanical delay contributes to improved outcomes⁵

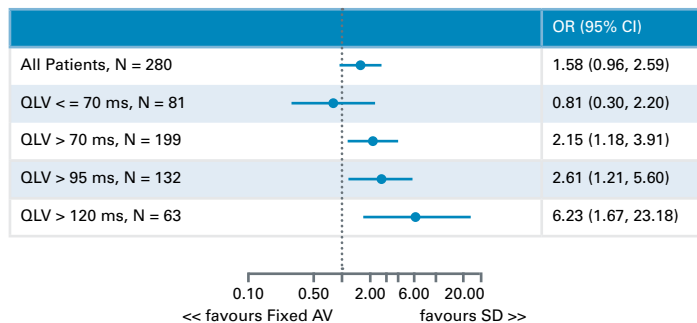
When to pace

Gold et al. 2013 Heart Rhythm Smart AV Sub-analysis⁶

Evaluation:

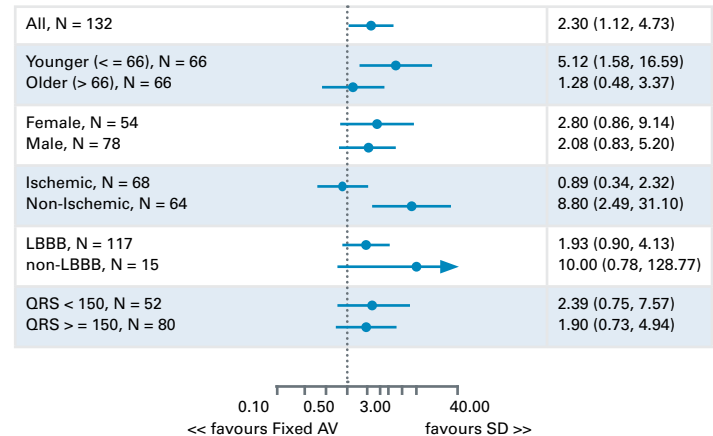
- n = 280, 1:1 randomisation of AV delay based on SmartDelay™ vs. fixed 120 ms AV delay
- Primary endpoint: changes in LVESV
- Choose LV pacing sites with long electrical delay and optimizing AV timing to max electrical resynchronisation

Multivariate Logistic regression results adjusted for baseline
LVEF, LVESV, Ischemia, LBBB, Gender, NYHA, QRS



- Electrical dyssynchrony, as measured by QLV, was strongly associated with LV volumetric changes with CRT.
- Benefit of SmartDelay optimisation was observed at the longest QLV interval.
- AVO is unlikely to be of benefit in the absence of long QLV intervals.

Univariate Logistic regression results
QLV > 95



- Optimal fusion of intrinsic conduction down the right bundle branch with LV pacing maximises the hemodynamic response.
- The greater the electrical delay at the LV pacing site, the greater the electrical resynchronisation that can occur with an optimally timed stimulus.

SmartDelay™ is non-inferior to echo optimisation.

How to pace

Zanon et al. 2016 Heart Rhythm

Long-Term Benefit of Optimised Multipoint CRT⁷

Evaluation of whether patients treated with MPP with optimised LV pacing location have better long-term clinical outcomes than patients treated with conventional CRT

- n = 110, single centre, non-randomised trial
- Primary endpoint: improvement of long-term clinical outcomes of patients with optimal lead position treated with MPP
- 3 non-randomised groups:
 - STD: standard group
 - OPT: group with optimised LV lead position
 - OPT + MPP: group with optimised LV lead position and MPP turned on
- LV lead in area of latest electrical delay may improve the response to CRT
- Positive correlations between between Q-LV and LVdP/dtmax and QRS narrowing
- Pacing at sites with longer Q-LV is linked to better long-term outcome

	STD (54) (%; 95% CI)	OPT (36) (%; 95% CI)	OPT + MPP (20) (%; 95% CI)	P
ESVi response	30 (55.6%; 42.4-68.0)	26 (72.2%; 56.0-84.2)	18 (90%; 69.9-97.2)	X ² = 0.015 [†]
				LT = 0.004
NYHA response	36 (66.7%; 53.4-77.8)	28 (77.8%; 61.9-88.3)	19 (95.0%; 76.4-99.1)	X ² = 0.039 [†]
				LT = 0.012
PACKER'S response	32 (59.3%; 46.0-71.3)	24 (66.7%; 50.3-79.8)	18 (90%; 69.9-97.2)	X ² = 0.043 [†]
				LT = 0.018

CI = confidence intervals; CRT = cardiac resynchronisation therapy; ESVi = end-systolic volume index; LT = linear trend; MPP = multipoint pacing; NYHA = New York Heart Association; OPT = optimised; STD = standard.

[†] X² = Pearson chi-square

- Long-term superiority of **LV site optimisation plus MPP** over conventional CRT
- Reversal of long-term progression of HF (non-sig. improvement of Packer score)
- Improvement of clinical outcomes (non-sig. improvement of NYHA class)
- Response rates of around 90%

SmartCRT™, Boston Scientific's approach to personalised CRT therapy, provides physicians with smart solutions to choose **where**, **when** and **how** to pace for optimal results.

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