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# Vascular Liver Disease

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# Vascular liver diseases

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Arteries

Hepatic venous system

Portal venous system

Sinusoids

Lymphatics

Obstruction  
Dilatation  
Fistula

# Vascular liver diseases causing portal hypertension

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Baveno 2005, 2010, 2015

EASL CPG, J HEP 2016

# Obstruction of the splanchnic venous systems

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Definition

Etiology

Diagnosis

Treatment

Outcome – Prognosis

62 Baveno VI consensus statements. 1a;A to 5;D

# Obstruction of the splanchnic venous systems

HVOTO	Hepatic venous outflow tract obstruction
EHPVO	Extrahepatic portal vein obstruction
IPH	Idiopathic portal hypertension

# Obstruction of the splanchnic venous systems

HVOTO

EHPVO

IPH

- In the absence of malignancy
- In the absence of cirrhosis

# Obstruction of the splanchnic venous systems

HVOTO	Budd-Chiari syndrome HV thrombosis, IVC thrombosis Membranous obstruction of IVC
EHPVO	Portal vein thrombosis Portal cavernoma
IPH	Hepatoportal sclerosis Non cirrhotic portal fibrosis Idiopathic non cirrhotic portal hypertension Obliterative portal venopathy

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# HVOTO – EHPVO – IPH

## Etiology and Work-up : Baveno VI consensus

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- Close collaboration with the hematologist
  - Comprehensive work-up for prothrombotic conditions, systemic diseases, local factors
  - V617F JAK2 and CALR mutations.  
Bone marrow biopsy if JAK2/CALR negative
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# Risk Factors for Venous Thrombosis

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	HVOTO	EHPVO	IPH
• At least one	84%	67%	20%
• Multiple	46%	18%	-
• Local factor	5%	21%	-

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Darwish Murad, Ann Intern Med 2009. Plessier, Hepatology 2010.  
Siramolpiwat Hepatology 2014. Cazals Hatem, J Hepatol 2011

# Associated conditions

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	HVOTO	EHPVO	IPH
• MPN	49%	30%	8%
• APLS	25%	10%	1%
• FV or FII Leiden	15%	16%	7%
• Other systemic	25%	5%	38%

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# HVOTO – EHPVO – IPH

## Etiology and Work-up : Issues

- Diagnosis of primary deficiency in PC, PS or AT
- Diagnosis of primary antiphospholipid syndrome
- Exclusion of myeloproliferative neoplasm
- Other risk factors (obesity, poverty, etc.)
- Prothrombotic combinations (chips, scores?)
- Cause specific treatment and prognosis?
- Site of thrombosis: related to risk factor?

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## Diagnosis : Baveno VI consensus

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Non-invasive vessel imaging  
Doppler US, MRI, CT

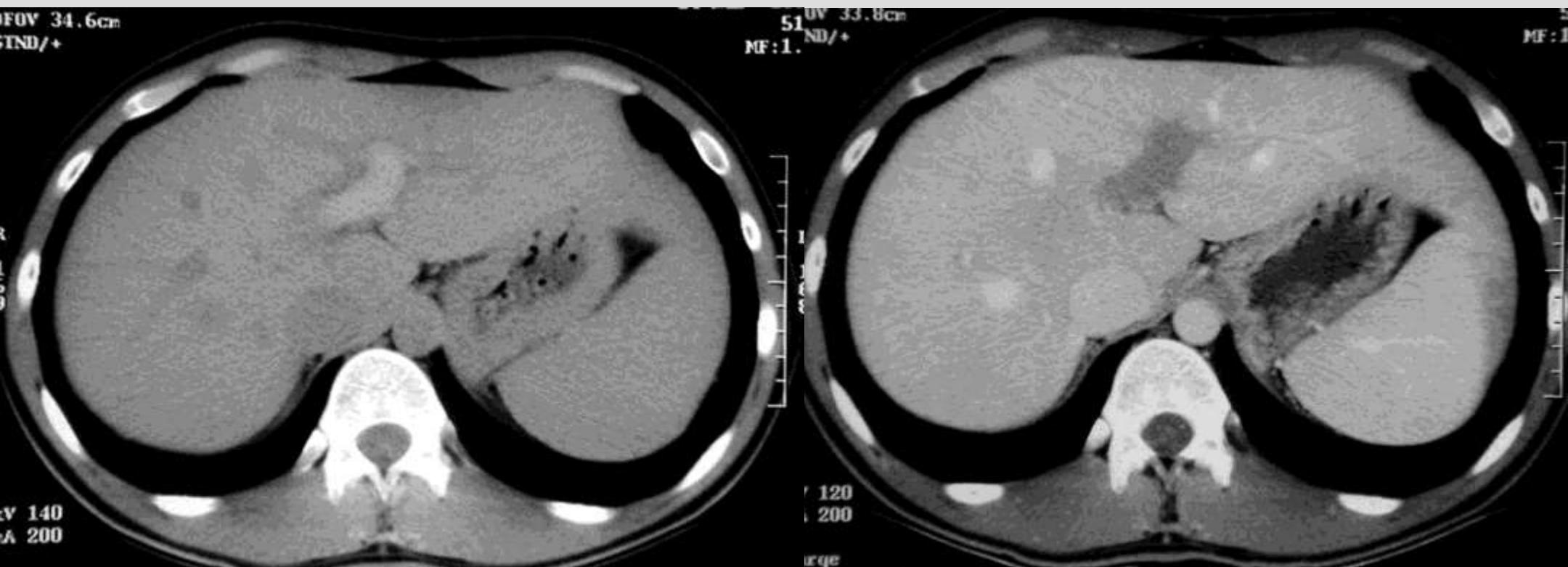
- To demonstrate HVOTO and EHPVO
  - To rule out HVOTO and EHVPO for IPH
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# Budd-Chiari syndrome

## Collateral circulation



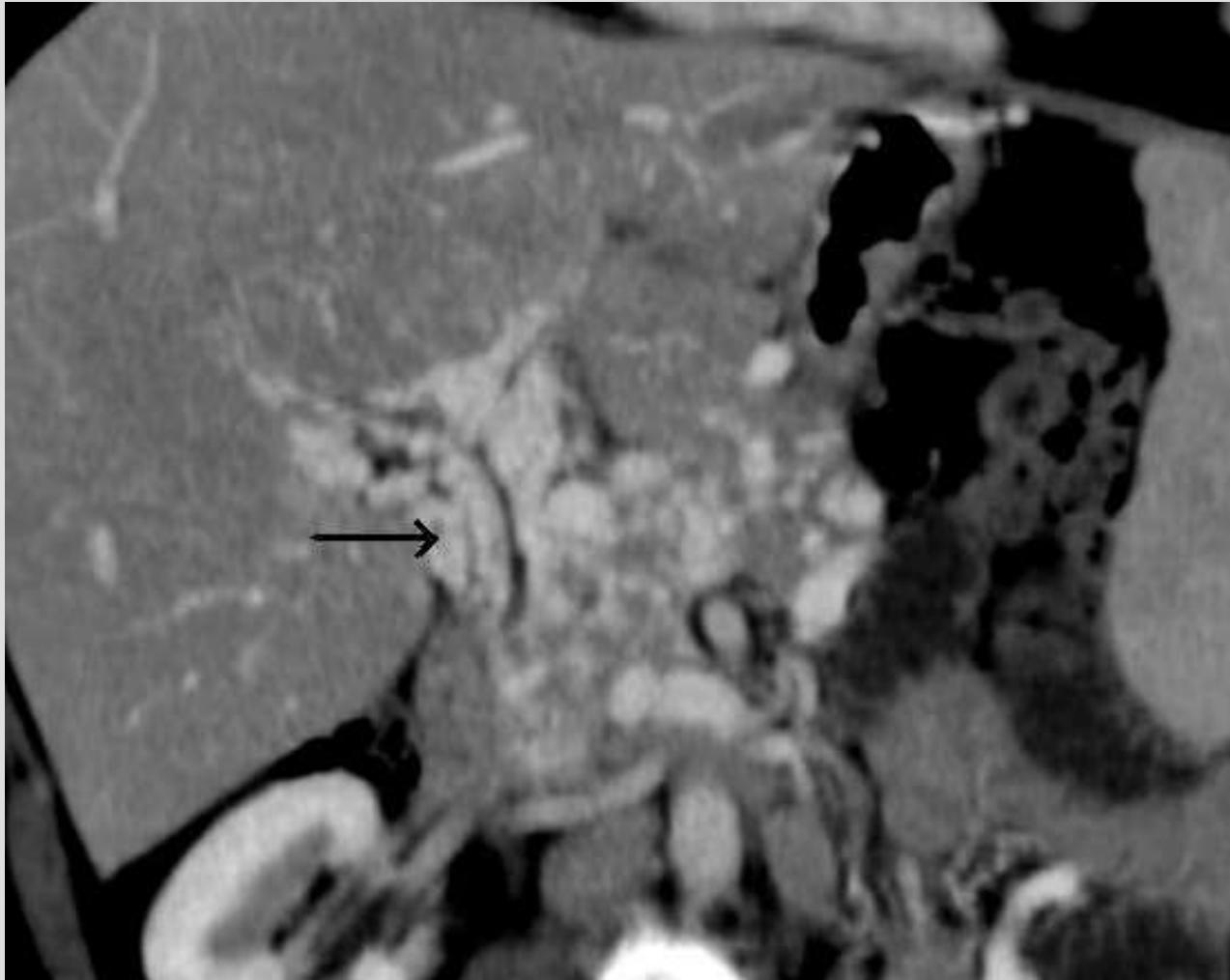
# Recent\* Portal Vein Thrombosis



\* “Acute”

# Portal cavernoma

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# HVOTO – EHPVO – IPH

## Diagnosis : Baveno VI consensus

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### Liver biopsy

- HVOTO : Unnecessary
  - EHPVO : Helpful
  - IPH : Crucial to rule out cirrhosis
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# IPH – Diagnosis : Issues

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- From a vague syndrome to discrete entities
  - Non-invasive tools for diagnosis
  - Idiopathic portal hypertension without PHT but typical vascular changes at biopsy?
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# IPH and related entities

Pathology

- Obliterative portal venopathy
- Hepatoportal sclerosis
- Nodular regenerative hyperplasia

Clinics &  
Pathology

- Idiopathic portal hypertension
- Noncirrhotic intrahepatic portal hypertension

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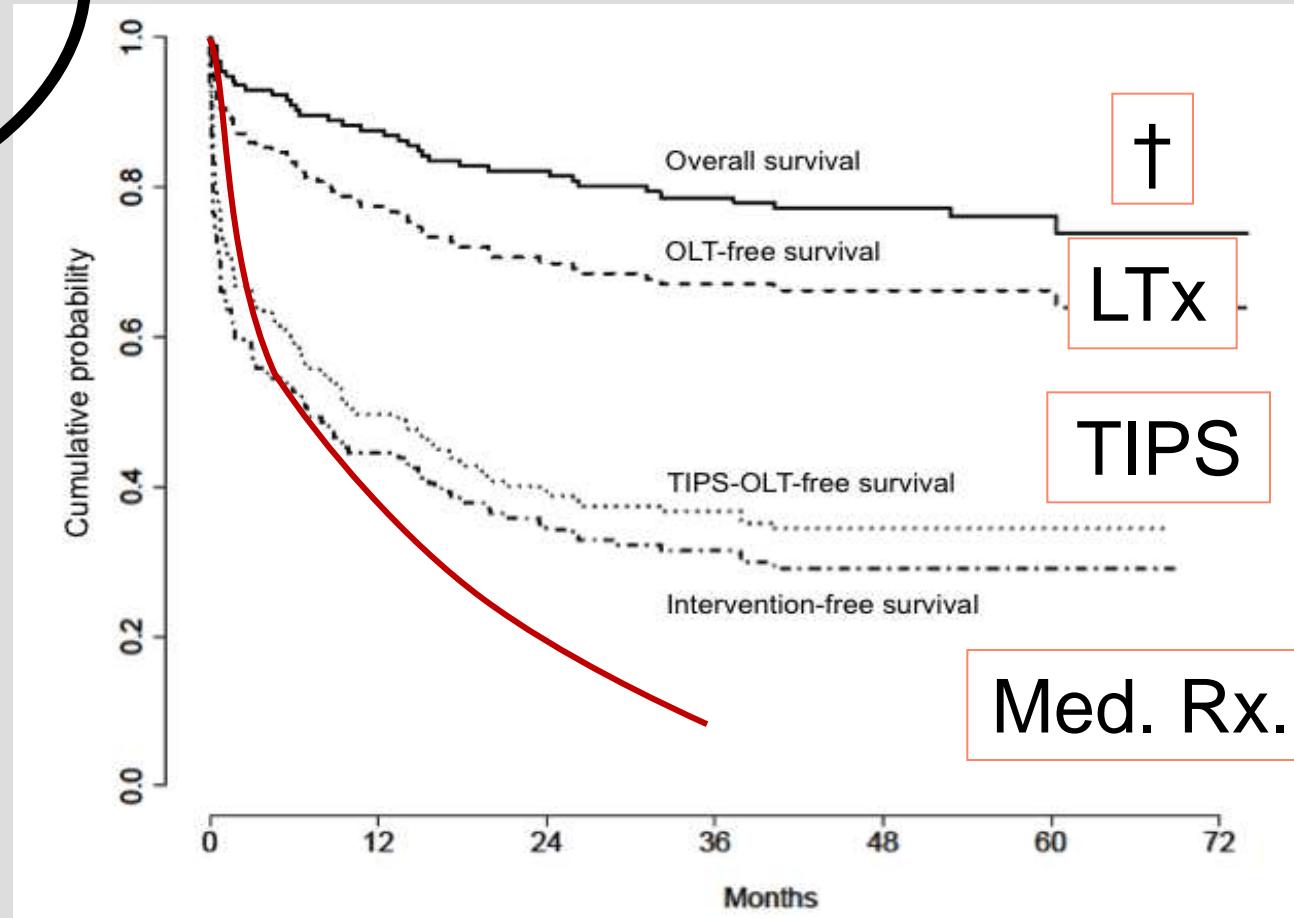
Anticoagulation  
Medical therapy

Angioplasty

TIPS

Transplantation

## BCS/HVOTO



# BCS/HVOTO

## Treatment and outcome issues

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- Complications of therapy
    - Encephalopathy related to TIPS
    - Bleeding related to anticoagulation therapy
  - Prediction of treatment response
  - Underlying blood disease
  - Regenerative nodules and HCC
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Cazals-Hatem, Hepatology 2003. Chait, Br J Haematol 2005. Moucari, Gut 2008.  
Garcia-Pagan, Gastroenterology 2008. Rautou, J Hepatol 2011. Seijo, Hepatology 2013.

# Obstruction of the splanchnic venous systems

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Etiology

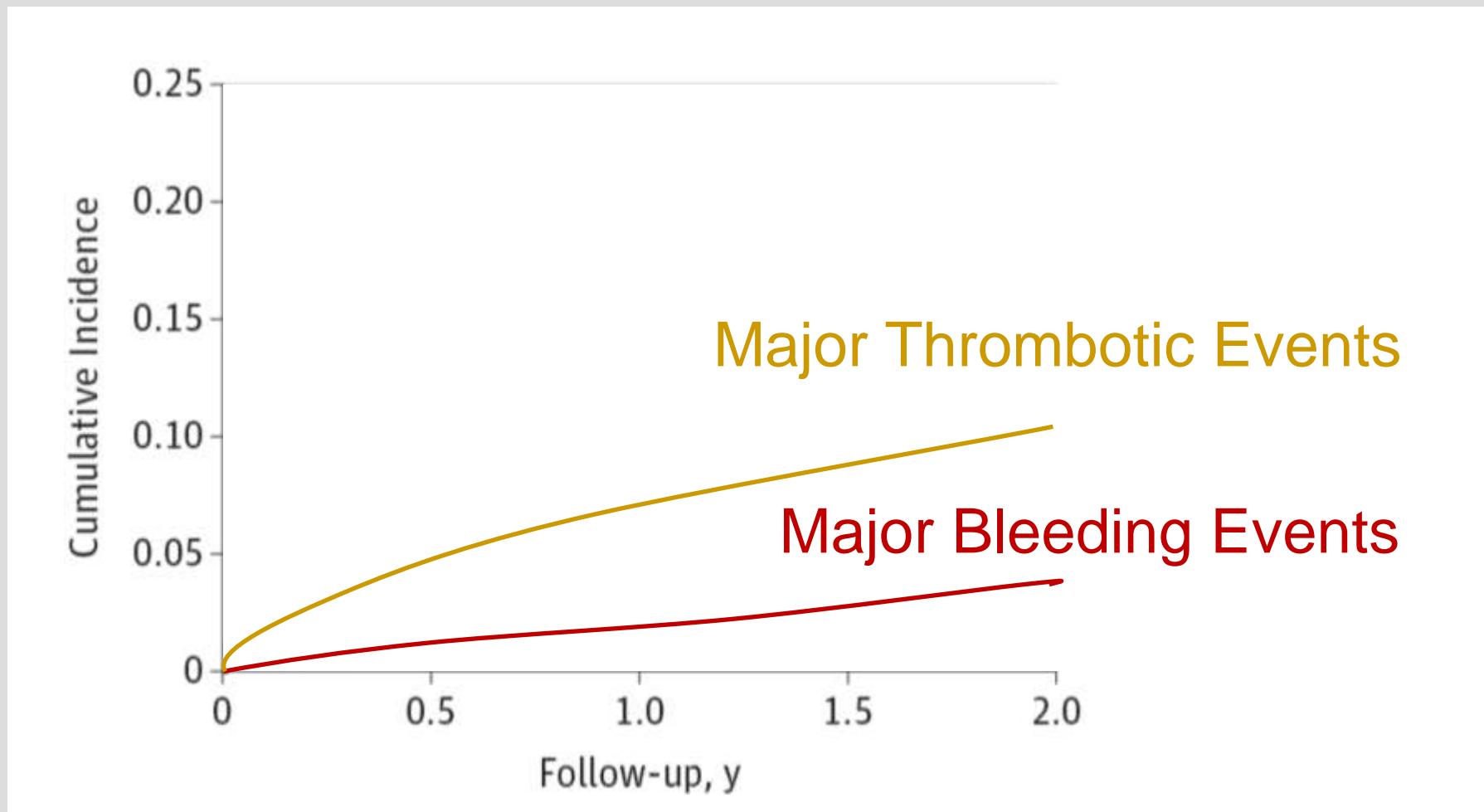
Diagnosis

Treatment

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- HVOTO
- EHPVO
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# Noncirrhotic Splanchnic Vein Thrombosis



From Ageno, JAMA Intern Med 2015

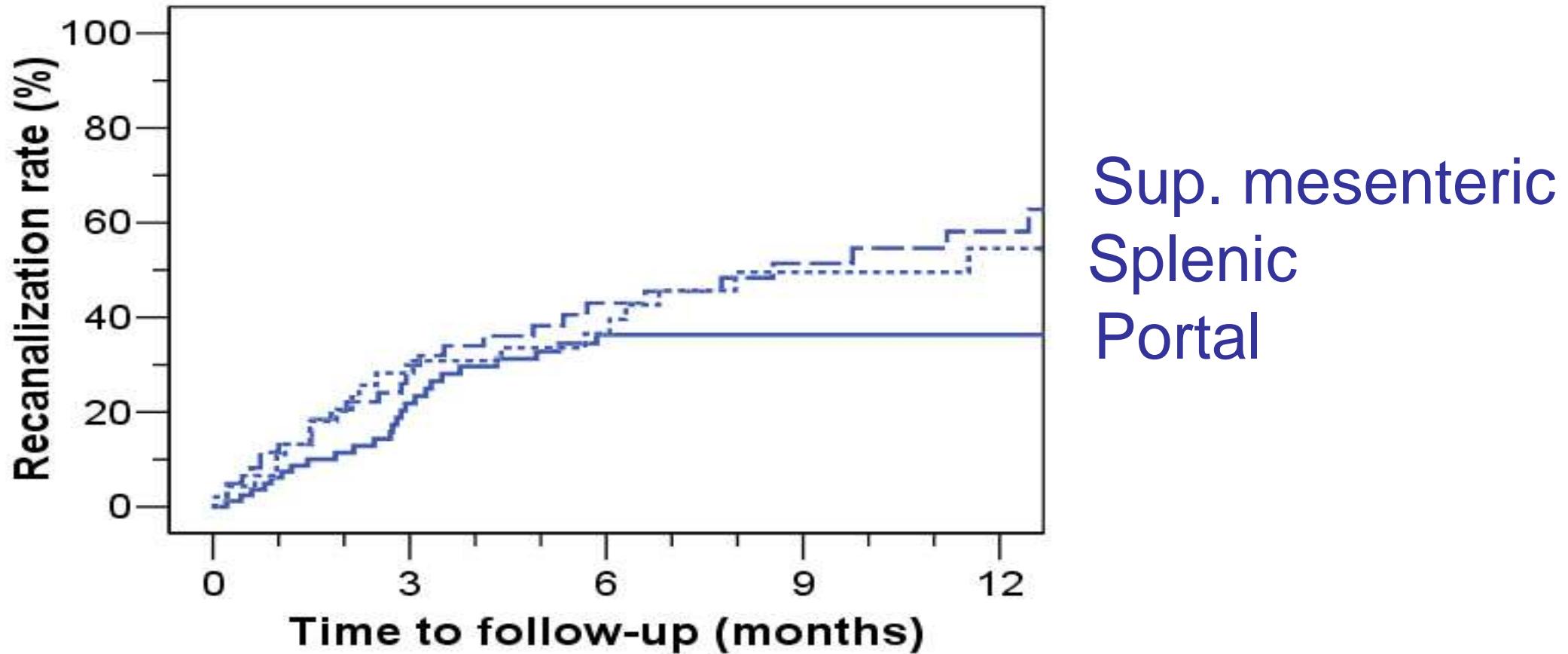
# EHPVO – Therapy : Baveno consensus

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- Recent PVT → Immediate anticoagulation
- Chronic EHPVO → long-term anticoagulation after prophylaxis of bleeding related to PHT
  - If
    - documented prothrombotic state or
    - recurrent thrombosis or
    - intestinal infarction

# Recent Portal Vein Thrombosis

EN-Vie Cohort: 95 anticoagulated patients



Sup. mesenteric  
Splenic  
Portal

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# EHPVO – Therapy : Baveno consensus

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## Management of portal hypertension

- NSBB and endoscopic variceal banding as recommended for cirrhosis
  - Meso-Rex shunt in children
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# EHPVO – Therapy : Issues

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Improving efficacy and safety

- Adapting anticoagulation to risk factors
  - Adding antiplatelet agents on
  - Anticoagulation when causes controlled ?
  - New oral anticoagulants
  - Role of TIPS and Meso-Rex in adults
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# Obstruction of the splanchnic venous systems causing portal hypertension

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Definition – Nosology

Etiology – Work-up for causes

Manifestations – Diagnosis

Treatment

Outcome – Prognosis

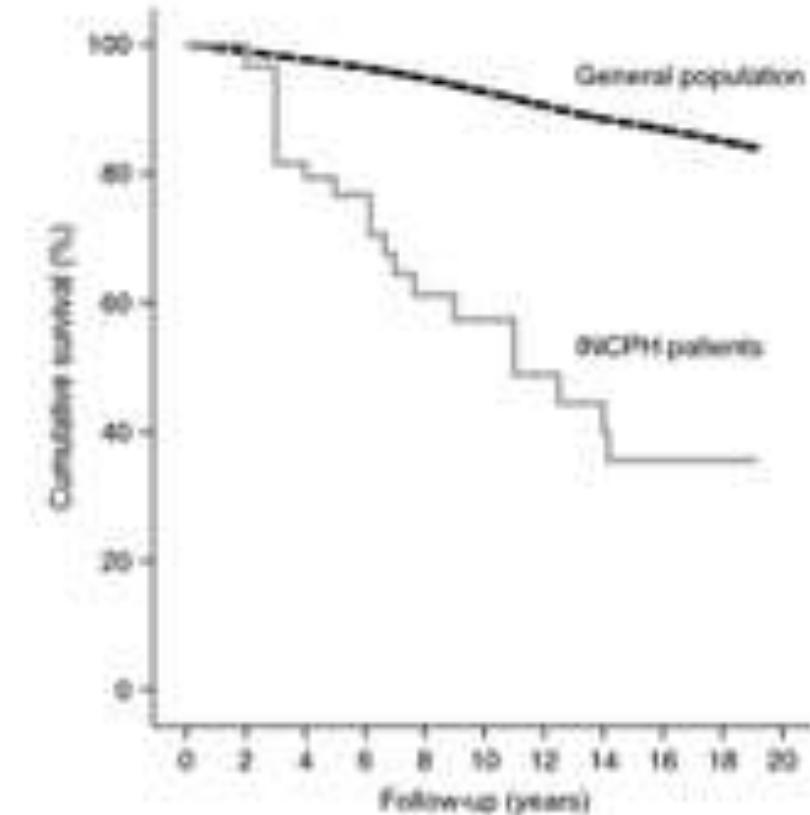
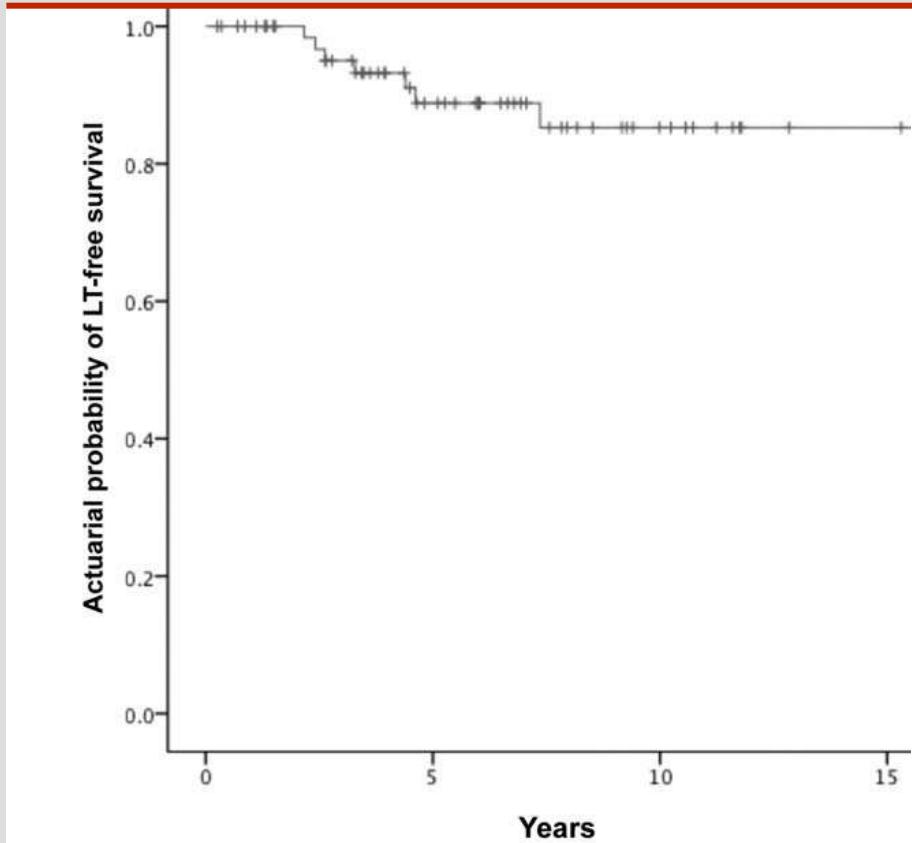
- BCS/HVOTO
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# IPH – Therapy : Baveno consensus

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- Manage portal hypertension as in patients with cirrhosis
  - Screen for portal vein thrombosis q. 6 mos.
  - Anticoagulation for portal vein thrombosis
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# Survival in patients with IPH



**Patients at risk** 69 37 14 6

Siramolpiwat, Hepatology 2014

Schouten, APT 2012

# IPH – Therapy : Issues

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- Mechanisms of disease(s)
  - Anticoagulation for blocking disease progression and preventing complications
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# Obstruction of the splanchnic venous systems

~~HVOTO~~

EHPVO

~~IPH~~

- In patients with cirrhosis

Partial PVT	Occlusive PVT
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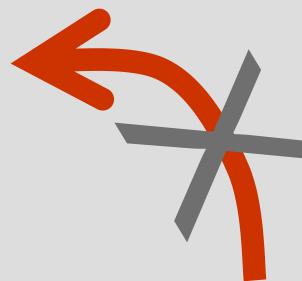
10% (5-16)	3% (1-4)
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# PVT in cirrhosis: Baveno consensus

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- Screening q. 6 mos in LT candidates
  - Anticoagulation in LT candidates with PVT
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# Advanced Cirrhosis



# Portal vein Thrombosis

Advanced  
Cirrhosis



Portal vein  
Thrombosis

**Advanced  
Cirrhosis**



**Enoxaparin**

**Portal Vein  
Thrombosis**

Villa, E. et al. Gastroenterology 2012  
Nery, F. et al Hepatology 2014

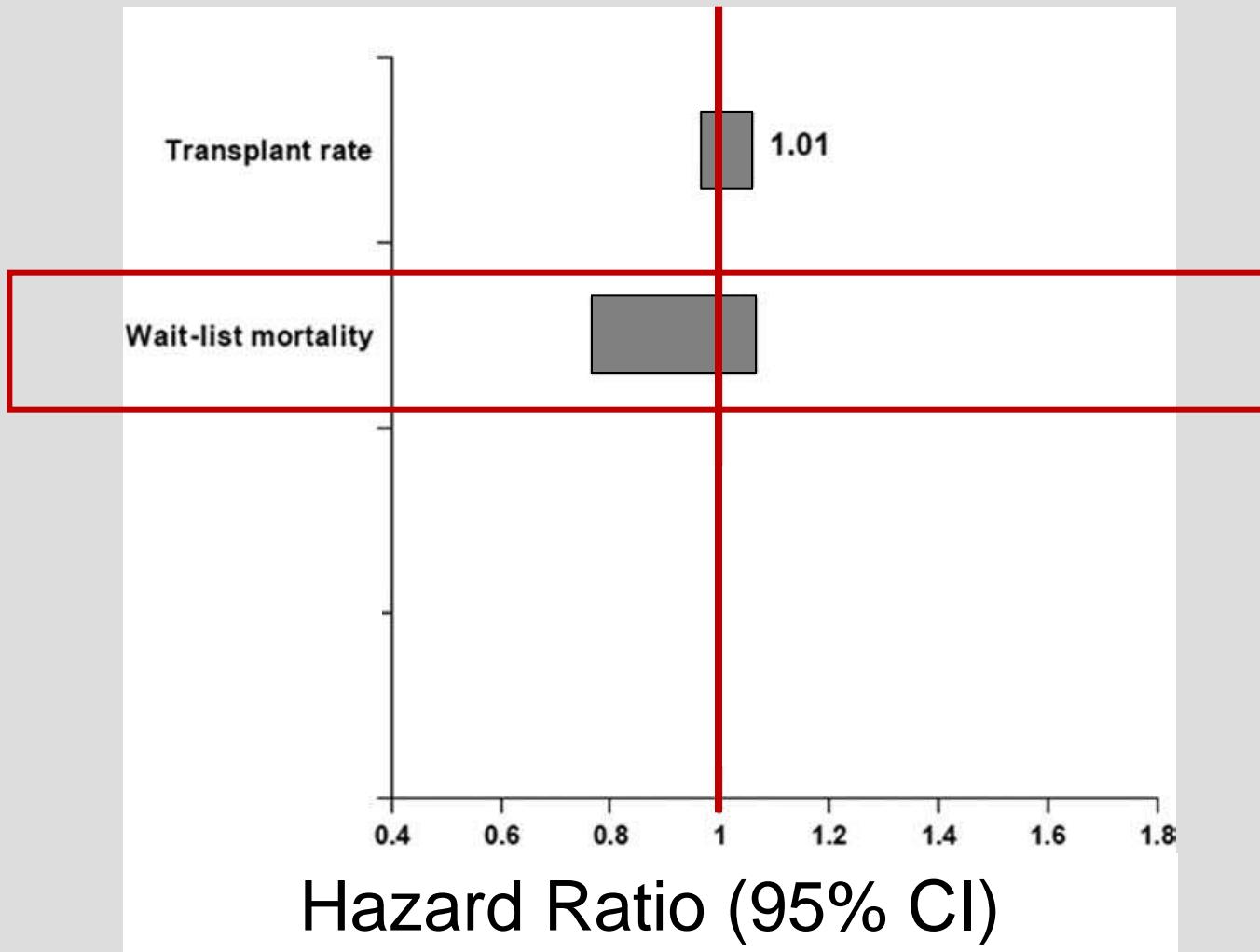
# PVT in cirrhosis: Issues

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- How to anticoagulate/monitor anticoagulation
  - Benefit/risk ratio of anticoagulation therapy for preventing or treating PVT in cirrhosis
  - New oral anticoagulants
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# Impact of PVT before LTx



Englesbe. Liver Transplant 2010. SRTR 22,291 listed candidates. Occlusive PVT 4.02%