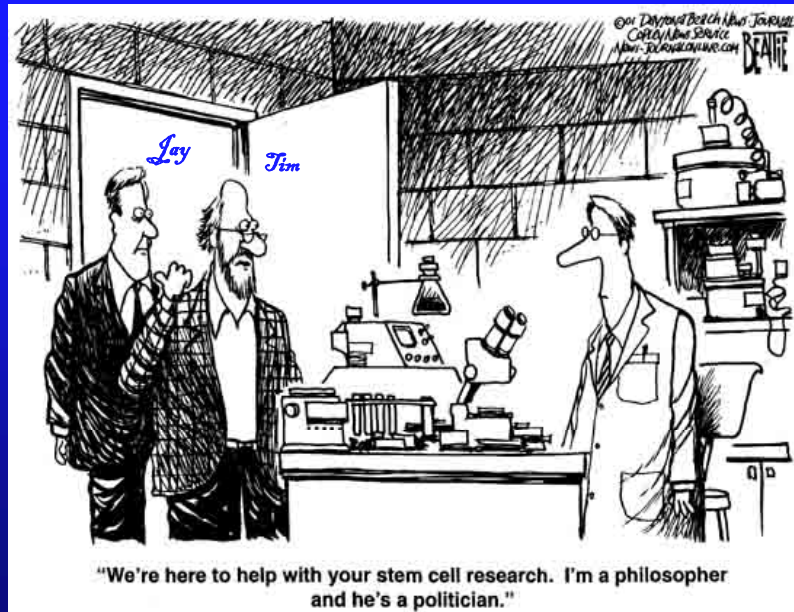


# Stem Cells: The Dawn of a New Era



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## Too Much Controversy!



## Too Much Hype!



## Which Cell is the BEST Cell?

## Cell Therapy

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- ◆ Embryonic stem cells
- ◆ Cord blood stem cells
- ◆ Adult stem cells
  - ◆ Circulating
  - ◆ Bone marrow
    - ◆ Hematopoietic
    - ◆ Mesenchymal
  - ◆ Tissue specific
    - ◆ Fat, Muscle, etc

## Cardiovascular Disease Targets

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- Refractory angina
- Acute myocardial infarction
- Congestive heart failure
  - Ongoing ischemia
  - Previous MI
  - Nonischemic
- Peripheral arterial disease
  - CLI
  - Claudication

## How do Cells Work?

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- Cell as a *cell*
- Cell as a *factory*
- Cell as a *courier*

## Will Stem Cell therapy play a key role in the Prevention and Treatment of CHF post-MI?

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- ◆ Acute:
  - ◆ STEMI
- ◆ Chronic:
  - ◆ Ischemic Cardiomyopathy
    - ◆ With ongoing Ischemia: Hibernating Myocardium
    - ◆ Without Ischemia: SCAR

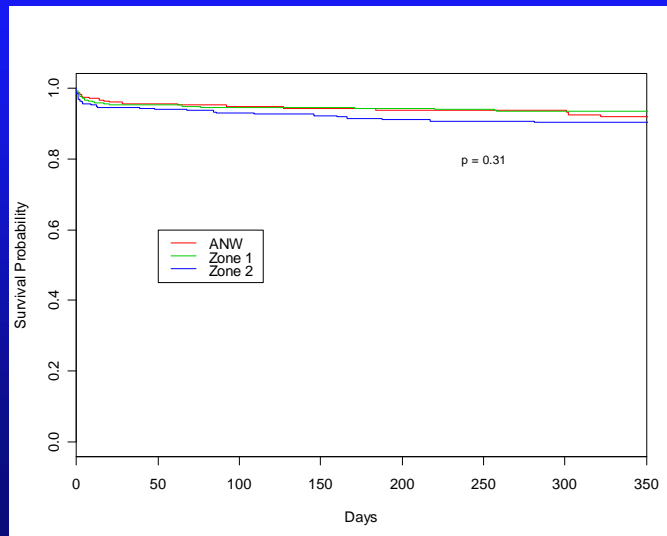
### The Problem



# The Solution



## Kaplan-Meier Survival Curve



## MHI Level 1 STEMI results

1 year cardiovascular mortality < 6%

- ◆ Early 1/3 card shock, anoxic brain injury, arrhythmia
- ◆ Late mortality noncardiac, CHF rare

Persistent LV dysfunction/need for AICD  
< 3% at 1 year

Readmission rate at 1 year 10% majority  
elective, CHF admissions <2%

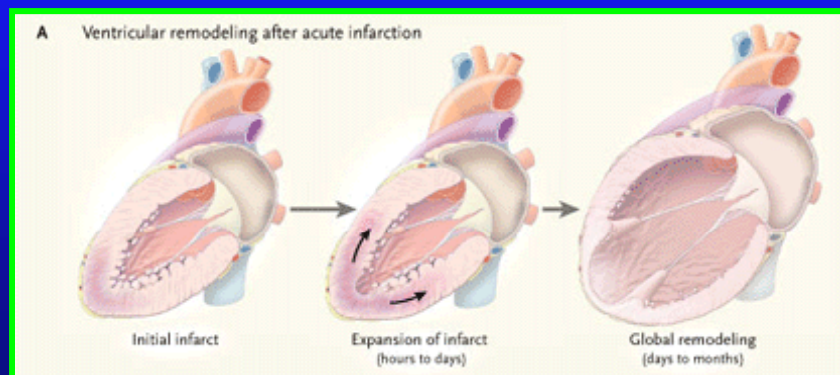
## STEMI:

Is there a role for stem cells?

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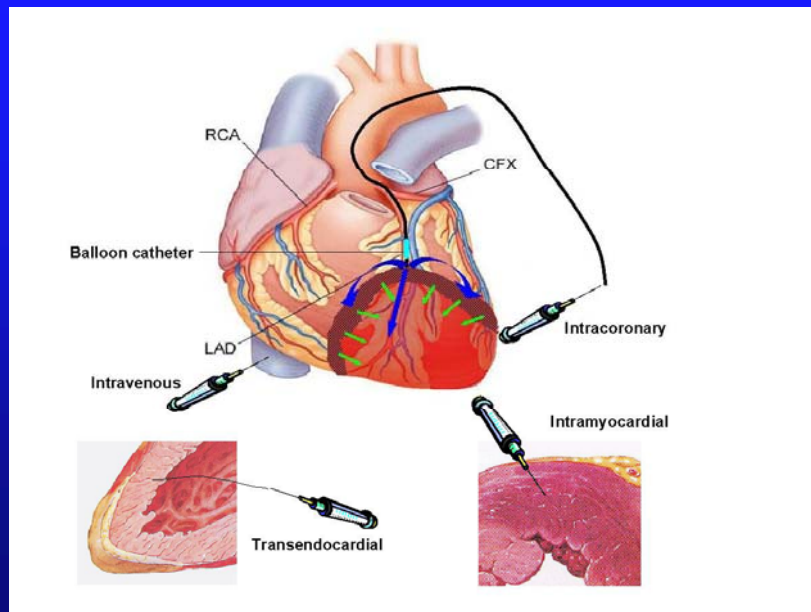
Yes, when the Horse is  
out of the Barn!!

## Ventricular Remodeling After Myocardial Infarction



NEJM 2003;348(20):2011

## Transplantation Pathways of Bone Marrow Cells



Strauer & Kornowski, Circulation 2003;107:929-934

### REPAIR-AMI Team

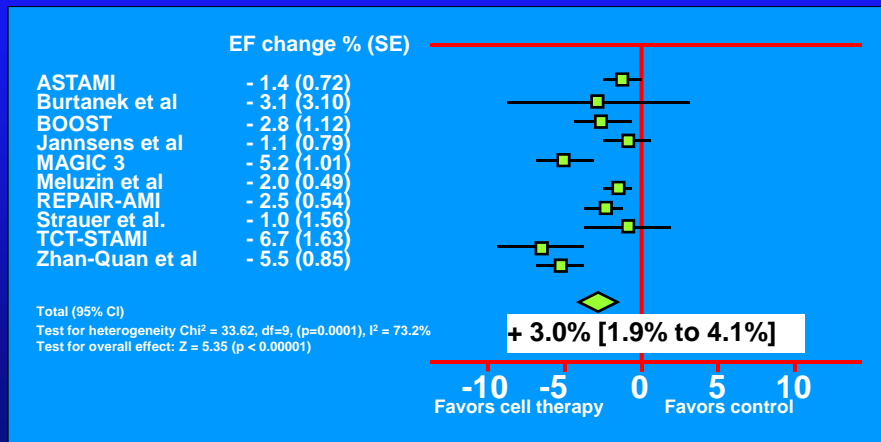
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<b>Bochum</b> Mügge / Gering	<b>Leipzig</b> Hambrecht / Schuler / Erbs
★ <b>Echo Core Lab</b>	★ <b>Doppler Core Lab</b>
<b>Gießen</b> Hölschermann	<b>Frankfurt / Rotes Kreuz</b> Haase
<b>Bad Nauheim</b> Hamm / Elsässer Dill	<b>Frankfurt / J. W. Goethe Uni</b> Zelner / Schächinger Dimmeler / Martin
★ <b>MRT Core Lab</b>	★ <b>Coordination / Angio Core Lab</b>
<b>Mainz</b> Münzel / Horstik	<b>BSD Hessen</b> Tonn / Krzossok / Seifried ★ <b>Cell Processing Center</b>
<b>Homburg / Saar</b> Böhm / Nickenig	
<b>Ludwigshafen</b> Senges / Mark	
<b>Mannheim</b> Haase / Staschbeck	
<b>Zürich</b> Lüscher / Corti	



Outcomes	Placebo	BM Cell	p
<b>Change EF</b>			
Overall	3.0 +/- .7	5.5 +/- .7	0.014
EF <49%	2.5	7.5	0.002
EF >49%	3.7	4.0	0.81
≥ 5 days	1.9	7.0	0.004
<5 days	3.9	4.5	0.62
Death	2	0	
MI	5	0	
CHF	2	0	
Revasc	28	19	
Death/MI/revasc	30	21	0.17
<b>Death/MI/CHF</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0.03</b>

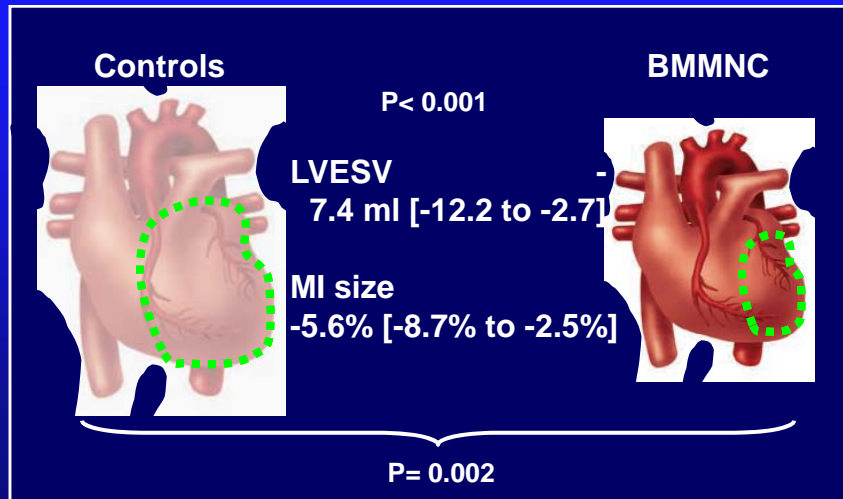
Schachinger NEJM 2006;355:1210-1221

## Ejection fraction change



Lipinski, JACC 2007;50:1761

# LVESV and MI size

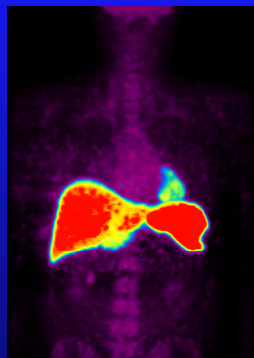


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## Cells labeled with $^{18}\text{F}$ -FDG

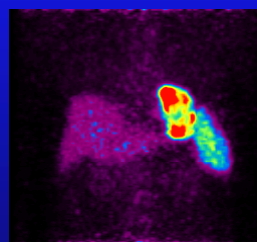
3d-PET imaging 75 minutes post injection

**BMMNC**



**1% to 3%**

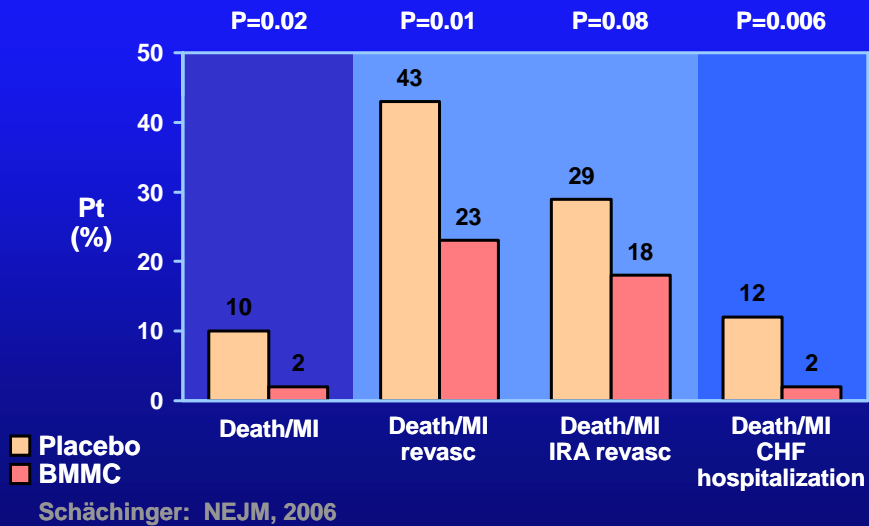
**CD34<sup>+</sup>- enriched  
BMMNC**



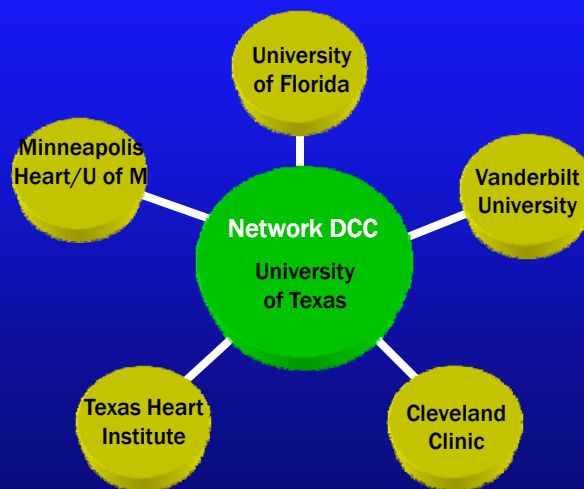
**14% to 39%**

Circulation 2005;111:2198

## REPAIR MI – 1-Year Outcomes 204 Patients



## CCTRN Research Network Infrastructure

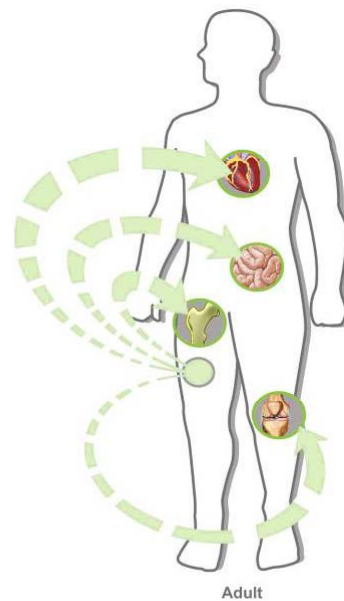
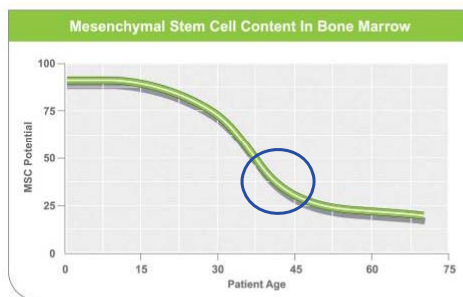


## AMI Cell therapy

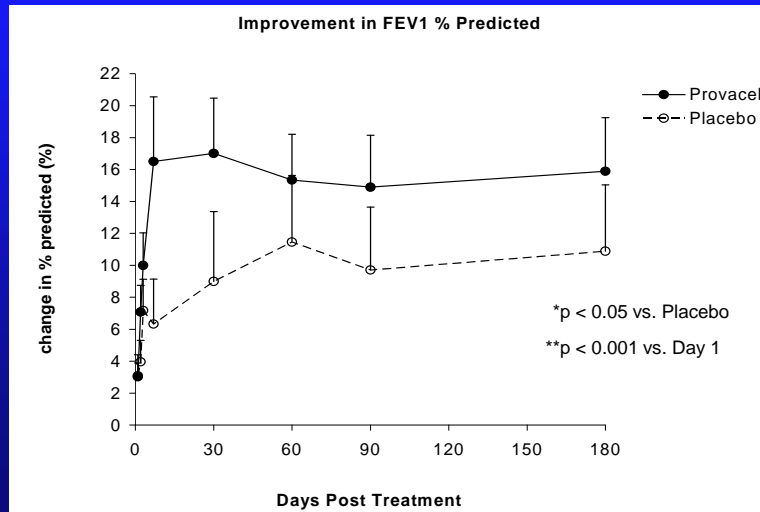
- ◆ Alternative cells
- ◆ Allogeneic cells
- ◆ Alternative methods of delivery

### The Mesenchymal Stem Cell

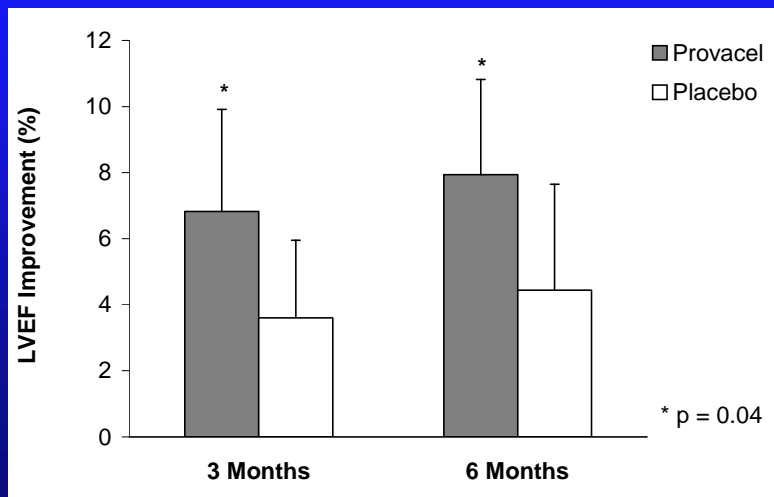
As we age, the number declines.  
**Older people do not heal as well.**



## Pulmonary Improvement



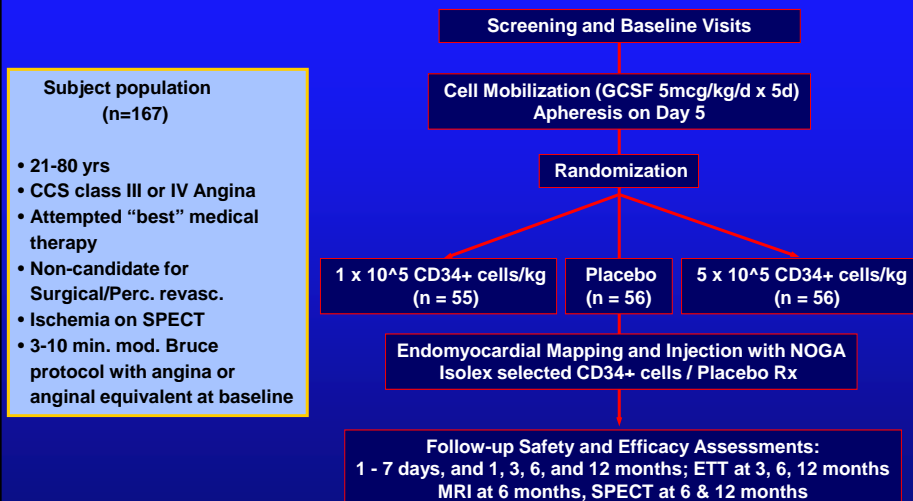
## LV Ejection Fraction: Anterior MI's



# CHF with Ongoing Ischemia

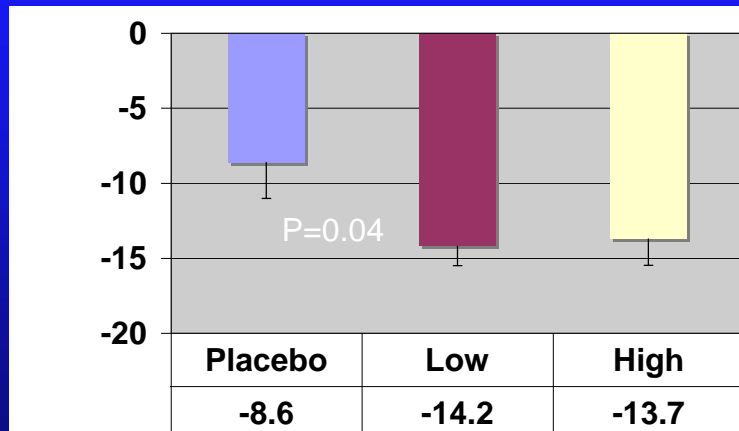
When the Horse is out of the barn and thirsty!

## Phase II ACT34–CMI Study Design



## ACT-34 CMI: Reduction in Angina

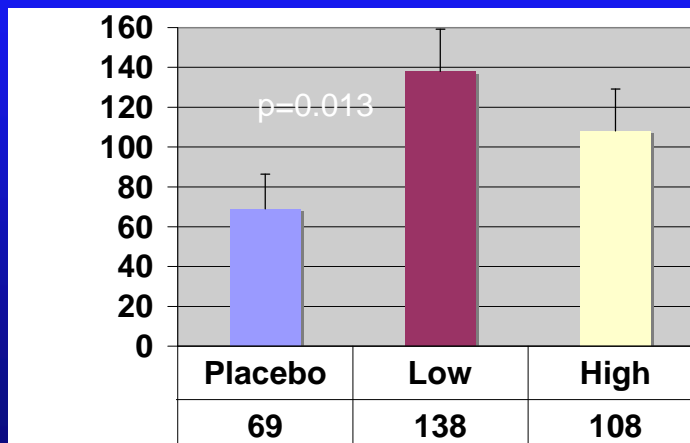
Anginal Episodes per Week  
Change from baseline at 6 months

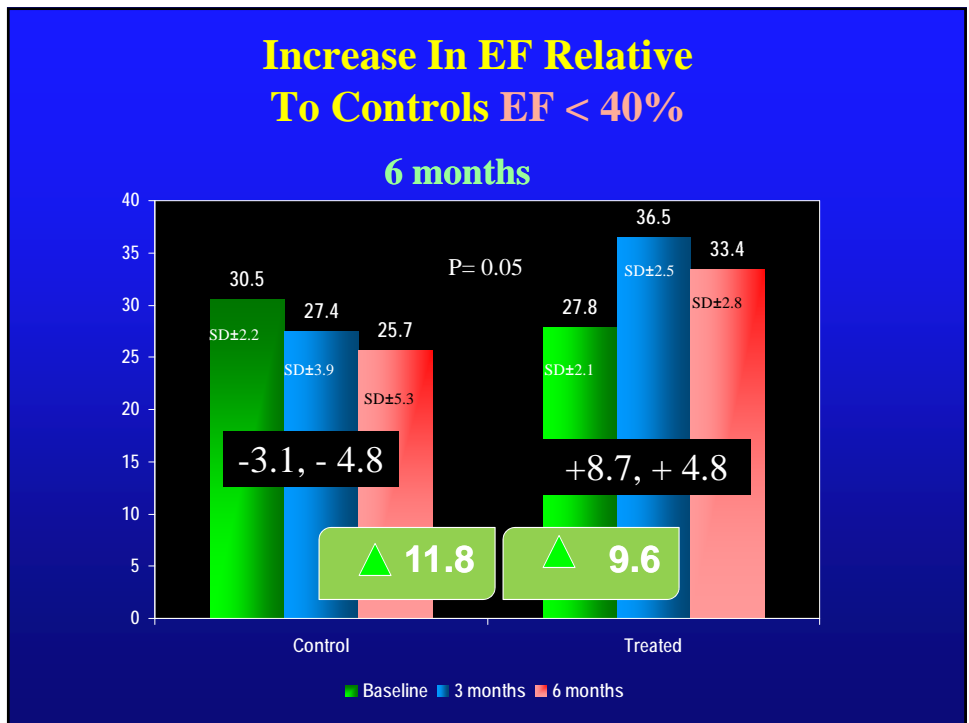
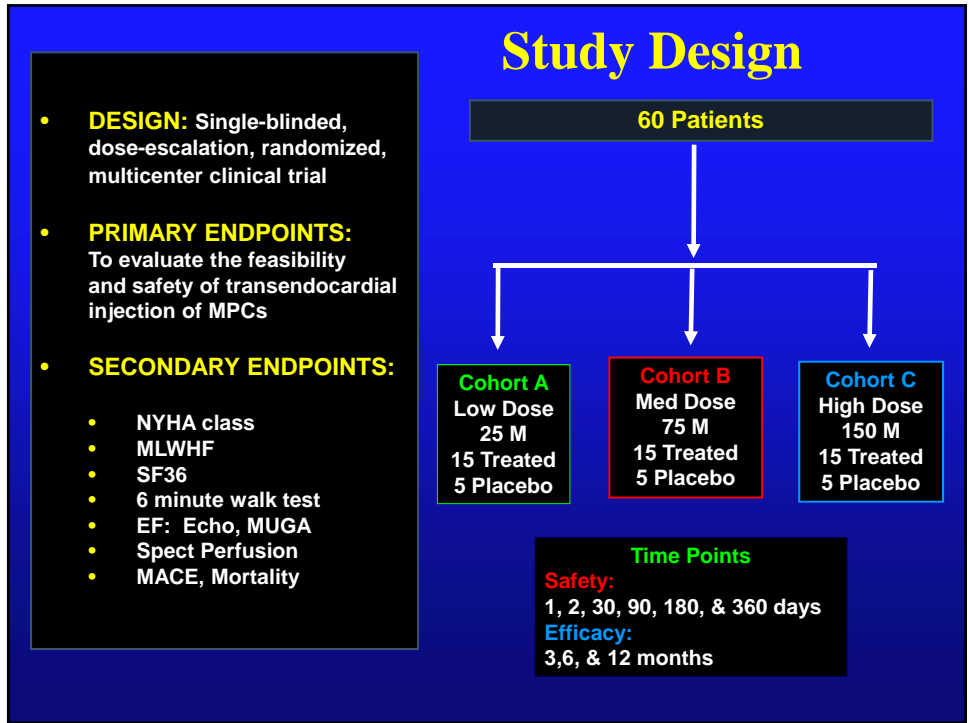


Analysis of Variance (ANOVA)

## ACT-34 CMI: Exercise Time

Total ETT Time  
Change from baseline at 6 months

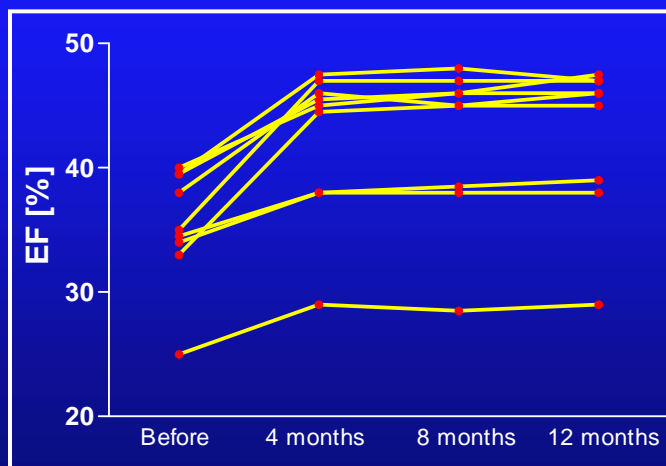




## CHF with Scar

When the Horse is not  
only out of the barn;  
Its DEAD!!

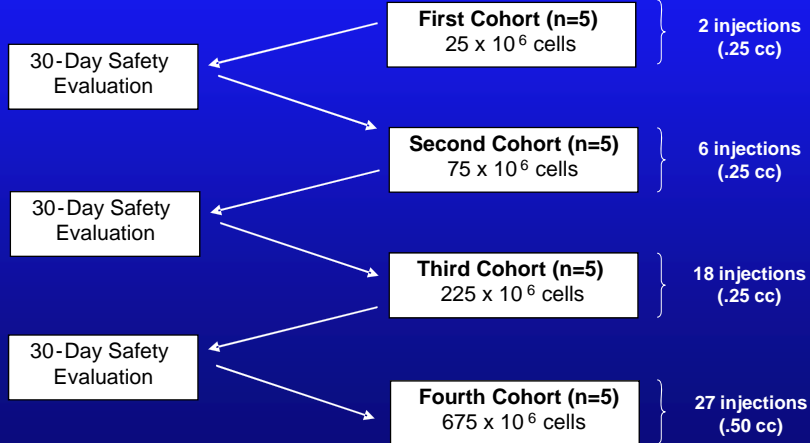
### LV ejection fraction after autologous myoblast transplantation – 12 months follow up



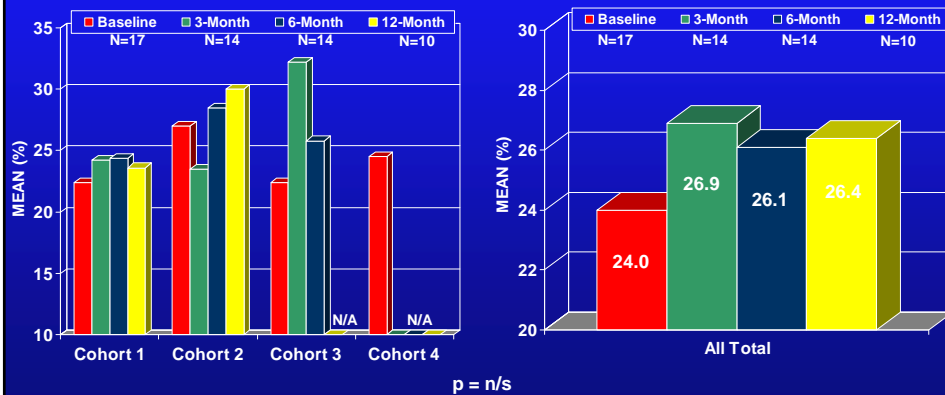
Dr. Tomasz Siminiak, University School of Medical Sciences related study as presented at the AHA meeting November 2003. Surgical (epicardial) study.

# MYOHEART Study Design

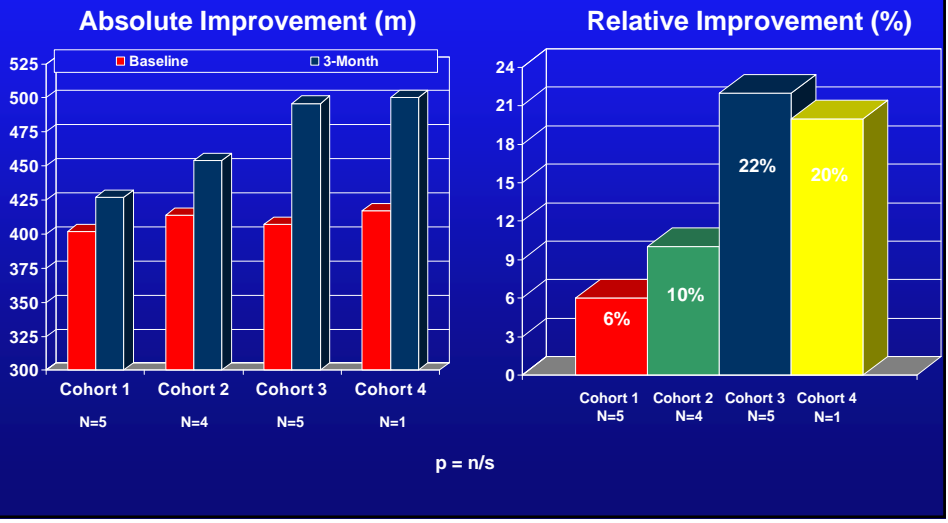
A Phase 1, Multi-Center, Open Label, Dose Escalating Study



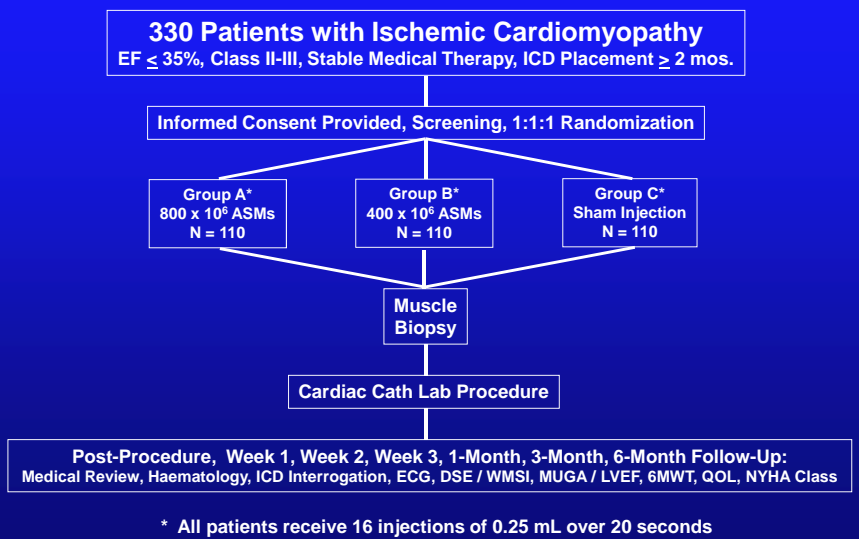
## MYOHEART LVEF (MUGA) Interim Analysis



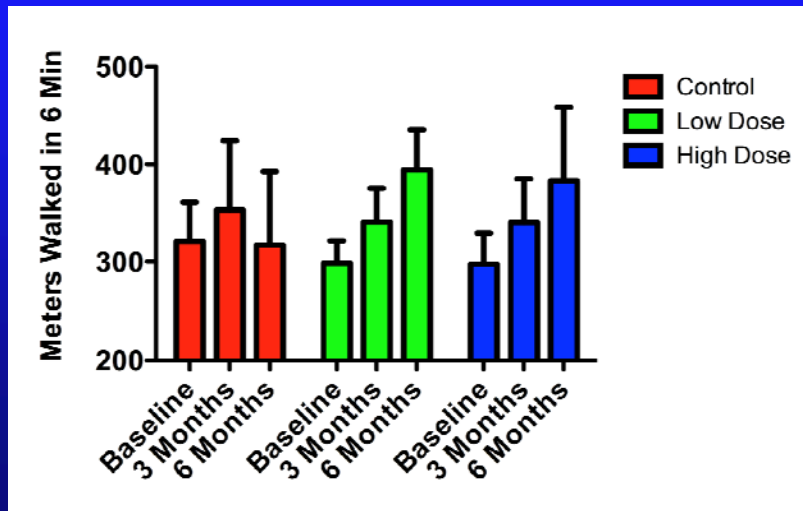
## MYOHEART 6-Minute Walk *Interim Analysis*



## MARVEL Study Design



## MARVEL-1: Mean 6 Minute Walk Distance (meters)

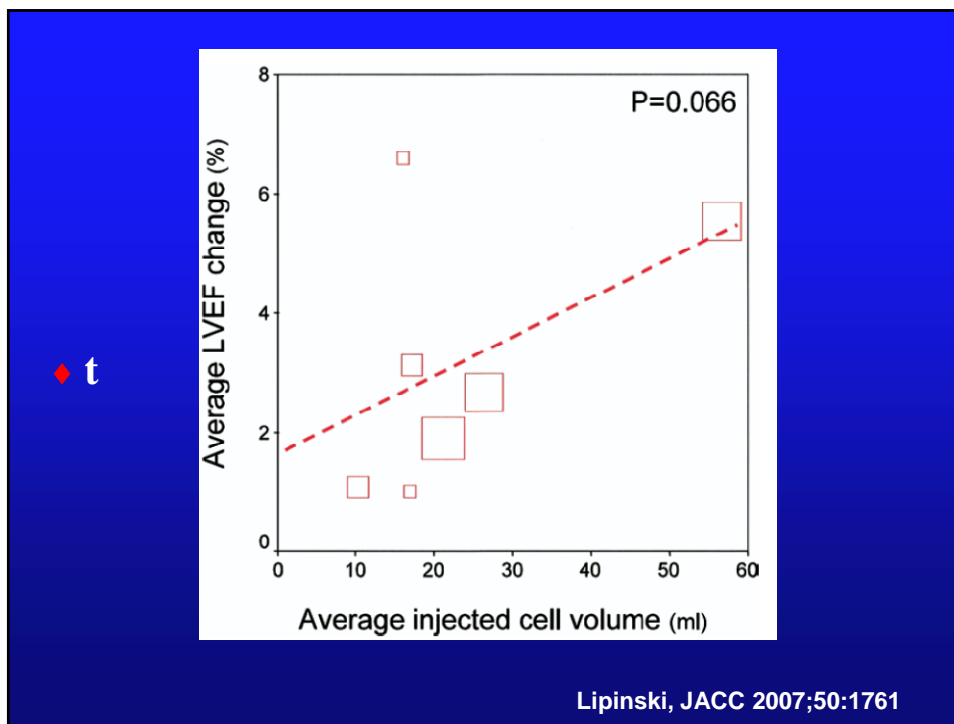


**We still need better Options!!  
Will it be Cell Therapy??**



Still not available at the florist  
yet....GETTING CLOSER!





## Overview: 10 studies, 698 patients

**Table 4** Clinical Events at the Longest Available Follow-Up as Reported by Included Studies and Pooled With Peto Method\*

Study	Death	Recurrent Myocardial Infarction	Target Vessel Revascularization	Rehospitalization for Heart Failure
Strauer et al. (10)	—	—	—	—
Bartunek et al. (11)	0/19 vs. 0/16	—	11/19 vs. 4/16	—
Janssens et al. (8)	1/34 vs. 0/34	0/33 vs. 0/34	2/33 vs. 2/34	—
BOOST (7)	0/30 vs. 1/30	1/30 vs. 0/30	5/30 vs. 4/30	1/30 vs. 3/30
Zhan-Quan et al. (13)	0/35 vs. 0/23	0/35 vs. 0/23	0/35 vs. 0/23	0/35 vs. 0/23
MAGIC-CELL-3-DES (12)	1/27 vs. 1/29	0/27 vs. 1/29	0/27 vs. 1/29	—
TCT-STAMI (15)	0/10 vs. 0/10	0/10 vs. 0/10	0/10 vs. 0/10	0/10 vs. 0/10
ASTAMI (2,4)	0/50 vs. 0/50	—	11/50 vs. 11/50	1/50 vs. 1/50
REPAIR-AMI (5)	2/101 vs. 6/103	0/101 vs. 6/103	16/101 vs. 26/103	0/101 vs. 3/103
Meluzin et al. (16)	0/44 vs. 0/22	0/44 vs. 0/22	6/44 vs. 1/22	0/44 vs. 0/22
OR (95% CI)	0.52 (0.16–1.63)	0.22 (0.05–0.90)	0.97 (0.62–1.52)	0.32 (0.09–1.21)
p value	0.26	0.04	0.90	0.09

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### A Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled, Dose-Escalation Study of Intravenous Adult Human Mesenchymal Stem Cells (Prochymal) After Acute Myocardial Infarction

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Miami, Florida; Minneapolis, Minnesota; Phoenix, Arizona; Baltimore, Maryland; San Diego, California; Houston and Austin, Texas; Indianapolis, Indiana; Seattle, Washington; Chicago, Illinois; and New York, New York

**Objectives** Our aim was to investigate the safety and efficacy of intravenous allogeneic human mesenchymal stem cells (hMSCs) in patients with myocardial infarction (MI).  
**Background** Bone marrow-derived hMSCs may ameliorate consequences of MI, and have the advantages of preparation ease, allogeneic use due to immunotolerance, capacity to home to injured tissue, and autocrine paracrine support.  
**Methods** We performed a double-blind, placebo-controlled, dose-ranging (0.5, 1.6, and 5 million cells/kg safety trial of intravenous allogeneic hMSCs [Prochymal, Osiris Therapeutics, Inc., Baltimore, Maryland]) in reperfusion MI patients (n = 53). The primary and joint secondary end points were incidence of treatment-emergent adverse events within 6 months. Ejection fraction and left ventricular volumes determined by echocardiography and magnetic resonance imaging were exploratory efficacy end points.  
**Results** Adverse event rates were similar between the hMSC-treated (5.3 per patient) and placebo-treated (7.0 per patient) groups, and renal, hepatic, and hematologic laboratory values were not affected. Ambulatory electrocardiogram monitoring demonstrated reduced ventricular tachycardia episodes (p = 0.028), and pulmonary function testing demonstrated improved forced expiratory volume in 1 s (p = 0.002) in the hMSC-treated patients. Global ejection fraction in all patients (p = 0.007) and ejection fraction in the important subset of anterior MI patients were both significantly better in hMSCs versus placebo subjects. In the cardiac magnetic resonance imaging substudy, hMSC treatment, but not placebo, increased left ventricular ejection fraction and led to reverse remodeling.  
**Conclusions** Intravenous allogeneic hMSCs are safe in patients after acute MI. This trial provides proof of safety and preliminary efficacy data for an allogeneic bone marrow-derived stem cell in post-infarction patients. (Safety Study of Adult Mesenchymal Stem Cells [MSC] in Treat Acute Myocardial Infarction. NCT00144452) J Am Coll Cardiol 2009;54:2277-86) © 2009 by the American College of Cardiology Foundation

Cell-based therapies for myocardial infarction (MI) are currently under evaluation and are emerging as a promising

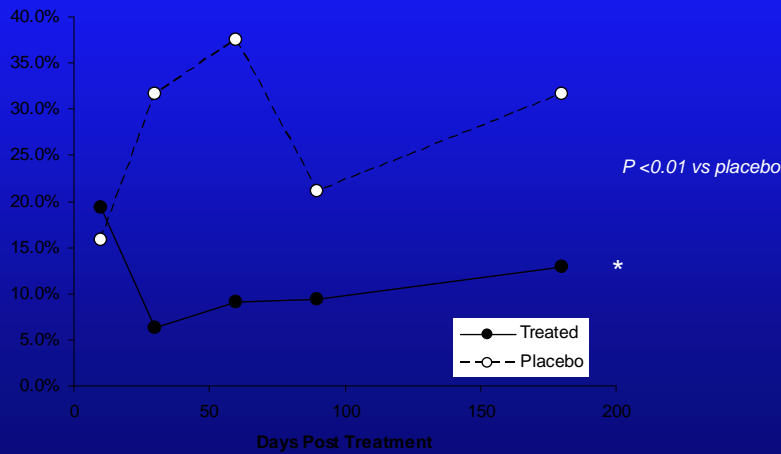
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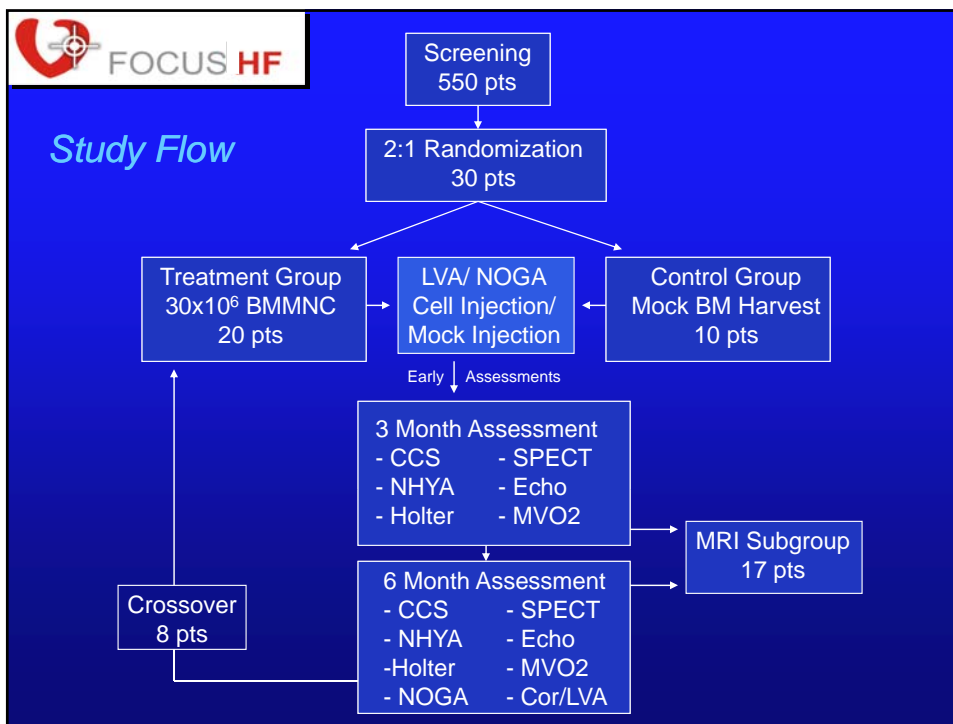
fraction (2). In addition, but not in this analysis and interpretation. Drs. Hare, Gerstenblith, and Schulman also received support from the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine General Clinical Research Centers and National Institutes of Health Specialized Centers for Cell-based Therapy (SCCT) grant U54 HL087028. Dr. Gammone has received research funding from Lundbeck, Aalborg, CV Therapeutics, Cardiovascular Biotechnology, Angiostat Systems, Inc., Pulvis Medical, Harmon, and Corvita. Dr. Hare has received research support from the National Institutes of Health. Dr. Hare has received a consultant for SBC. Manuscript received March 17, 2009; revised manuscript received May 20, 2009; accepted June 15, 2009.

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# Premature Ventricular Contractions

PROPORTION OF PATIENTS WITH >10 PVC/hr



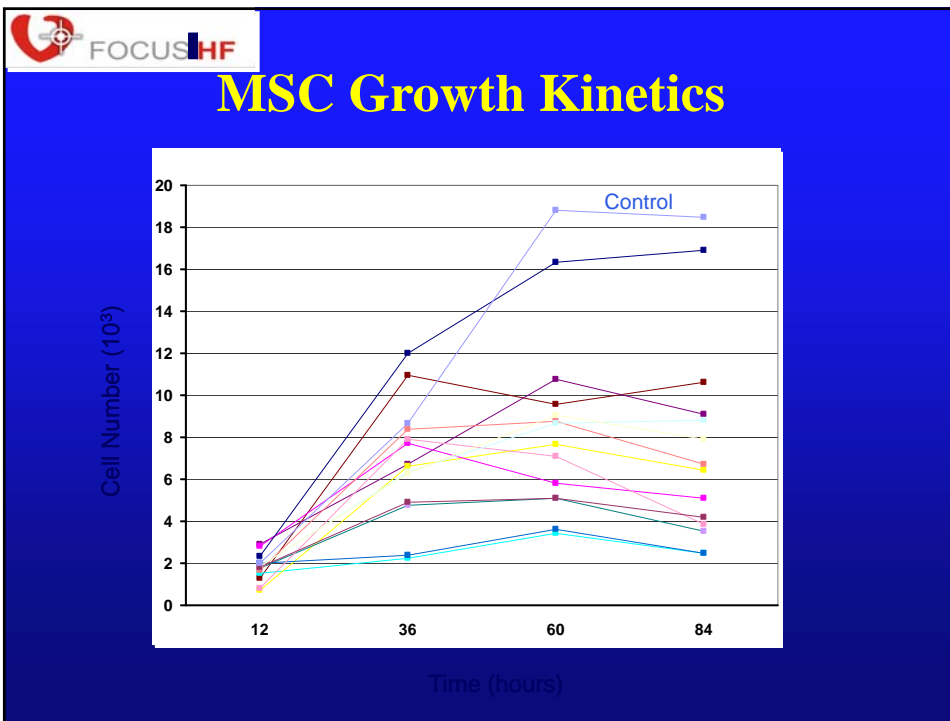


## Baseline and 3 Month Follow-up

	Control			Treatment		
	Baseline	3 months	p	Baseline	3 months	p
<b>Clinical Assessment</b>						
CCS	3±0.8	2.2±0.8	0.08	3±0.8	2.1±1	0.01
NYHA	2.6±0.7	1.9±0.9	0.08	2.3±1.2	2±0.7	ns
<b>Functional Assessment</b>						
MVO2 (ml/Kg/min)	14.8±3	15.7±5	ns	14.7±4	15.5±4	ns
Echo EF (%)	39±9.1	41.1 ±8	ns	37.3±10.6	38.4±12	ns
SPECT % of reversibility	21.3±18	20.1±22	ns	16.8±9	11.7±11.7	<b>0.005</b>

## 3 Month SPECT and MRI Results in the Injected Segments

	Baseline	Treatment	p
<b>SPECT</b>			
Rest perfusion	0.94±1.1	0.99±1.06	0.5
Stress Perfusion	1.48±1.1	1.46±1.1	0.63
Reversibility	0.57±0.7	0.41±0.6	<b>0.01</b>
<b>MRI</b>			
Rest Perfusion	0.08±0.34	0.02±0.14	0.08
Stress Perfusion	1.02±0.78	0.86±0.66	<b>0.03</b>



## MVO2 *Patients <60 Years*

