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Cardiomyopathies

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Definition

 "A myocardial disorder in which the heart muscle is structurally and functionally abnormal, in the absence of coronary artery disease, hypertension, valvular disease and congenital heart disease sufficient to cause the observed myocardial abnormality."

Classification



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Elliott P et al. Eur Heart J 2008;29:270-276

HYPERTROPHIC CARDIOMYOPATHY

Definition

 "Increased ventricular wall thickness or mass in the absence of loading conditions (hypertension, valve disease, congenital heart disease) sufficient to cause the observed degree of hypertrophy"

ESC Classification of Cardiomyopathies, 2008

 Maximal LV wall thickness >2 SD above mean corrected for BSA +/- age

Epidemiology



Familial HCM

>50% of HCM is familial



Causes of HCM in infants and children



Echocardiographic "red flags": Aetiology



Echocardiographic clues to aetiology in paediatric HCM

	PRKAG2	Mitochondrial	Danon	GSD	Noonan	Friedreich ataxia
Concomitant RVH			~	~	~	
Concentric LVH		~		~		~
Extreme concentric LVH			v	~		
Global hypokinesia (with/without LV	•	~	v	~		(✔)

Pompes disease



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Pompes disease



Biventricular hypertrophy



Concentric LVH



Echocardiography

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Pattern of LVH ASH Concentric Eccentric Distal Apical

Asymmetric septal hypertrophy (ASH)











Concentric LVH







Echocardiography















Mechanism of obstruction



Systolic anterior motion (SAM)





Posteriorly-directed MR



Mid-cavity obstruction



CW Doppler





Mid-systolic closure of AoV



LA dilatation



Post-myectomy



Echocardiography in HCM

Pattern of LVH

- ASH
- Conce

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Diastolic function Mitral inflow Pulmonary veins TDI LA dilatation







=> Impaired relaxation







"Pseudonormal" pattern

DILATED CARDIOMYOPATHY

Definition

- "Ventricular dilatation and left ventricular systolic dysfunction in the absence of abnormal loading conditions (hypertension, valve disease) or coronary artery disease sufficient to cause global systolic impairment.
- Right ventricular dilation and dysfunction may be present but are not necessary for the diagnosis. "

Epidemiology and aetiology

- Commonest cardiomyopathy in childhood
- Incidence 0.57/100,000
- Heterogeneous aetiology
 - Viral myocarditis
 - Metabolic
 - Neuromuscular
 - Syndromic
 - Acquired (e.g. nutritional deficiencies)
- Familial disease in approx. 25%
 - Autosomal dominant
 - X-linked (e.g. DMD)

Aetiology of DCM

















Restrictive Cardiomyopathy

Definition

Restrictive ventricular physiology: ventricular filling in which increased myocardial stiffness causes ventricular pressure to rise precipitously with only small increases in volume

"Restrictive ventricular physiology in the presence of normal or reduced diastolic volumes (of one or both ventricles), normal or reduced systolic volumes, and normal ventricular wall thickness."



Rarest of all cardiomyopathies

• <5% of all paediatric cardiomyopathies</p>

 ~200 patients reported in paediatric literature





Echo – mitral inflow



E/A ≥ 2 DT ≤ 150ms

IVRT ≤ 70ms



LEFT VENTRICULAR NON-COMPACTION



Classification - ESC





Echocardiographic criteria

Chin <i>et al.</i> (n=8)	Jenni <i>et al.</i> (n=34)	Stollberger <i>et al.</i> (n=62)
PSAx - end-diastole	PSAx - end-systole	A4Ch - end-diastole
Epicardial compacted layer (X); endocardial non-compacted layer (Y)	 (i)Thick non-compacted layer (N); thin compacted layer (C) (ii)No coexisting cardiac abnormalities (iii)Numerous prominent trabeculations and deep recesses supplied by intraventricular blood 	>3 trabeculations protruding from LV wall distal to papillary muscles in single imaging plane
X/Y <= 0.5	N/C >=2	N/C >=2
2.		

NB: LV function not included in any diagnostic criteria



Clinical classification

1) Isolated LVNC

2) LVNC associated with LV dilatation and dysfunction **at onset**

- Barth syndrome
- Tafazzinopathies

3) LVNC in hearts fulfilling diagnostic criteria for other **cardiomyopathies**

- HCM
- DCM
- RCM
- ARVC

4) LVNC associated with **congenital** heart disease

5) Syndromes with LVNC

- Monogenic (e.g. Danon; Fabry)
- Complex (e.g. chromosomal abnormalities)

6) Acquired (+/- reversible) LVNC

- Athletes
- Pregnancy
- Sickle cell anaemia
- Chronic renal failure
- Myopathies

7) **Right ventricular**/biventricular non-compaction

Adapted from Arbustini et al. JACC 2016

