Supplement Table 1: Cause of cardiovascular mortality (ICD-10).

Cause of cardiovascular mortality	ICD-10
Hypertensive disease	I10-I15
Cardiac disease (Except hypertensive disease)	101-102.0, 105-109, 120-125, 127, 130-152
Cerebrovascular disease	I60-I69
Atherosclerosis vascular disease	I70
Aortic aneurysm and dissection	I71

Supplement Table 2: Summary of studies of evaluation of PWV in HF patients for outcome prediction.

Study	Study population	Follow-up	Outcome	Ref	
			PWV were significantly lower in patients		
Sung SH et	80 patients with acute	174 ± 32	without events than those with events (HF	1	
al. (2011) HF	days	rehospitalization /nonfatal MI/nonfatal stroke/	1		
			mortality).		
Demir S et	98 HF patients with	18 months	10 months	PWV was powerful determinants of mortality	2
al. (2013)	LVEF ≤ 35%		(OR: 0.853 , $p = 0.025$)	<u> </u>	
Regnault V			Higher LVEF or pulse pressure associated		
et al.	306 patients with	16 months		with lower all-cause and CV mortality.	
(EPHESUS	acute MI and HF with			Increased PWV was associated with higher all-	3
substudy)	LVEF<40%,				
(2014)			cause and CV mortality		
Tokitsu et al.	502 patients with	Mean 1017	Patients with PWV > 1900 cm/s and < 1300		
(2018)	HFpEF		cm/s had a significant higher total CV events	4	
(2010)	III pEr	days	than $1300 \le PWV \le 1900 \text{ cm/s}$		
Huang WM	Cohort A: 230 patients	Mean 21.3	HFmrEF had higher PWV than reduced		
	(HFrEF, HFmrEF,		Mean 21.3	HFrEF	
et al. (2019)	HFpEF) +/- 13.6	+/- 13.6	HFmrEF and HFrEF had higher three-year mortality than HFpEF	5	
et al. (2019)	Cohort B: 2677	months			
	patients				
	958 patients into four				
	group:				
	Group 1: low PWV,				
	high LVEF		Group 4: highest all-cause and CV mortality.		
Our present	Group 2: low PWV,	Median 93	Group 1 vs 3: similar overall and CV		
study	low LVEF	months	mortality. Group 2: higher CV mortality than		
	Group 3: high PWV,		group 3.		
	high LVEF				
	Group 4: high PWV,				
	low LVEF				

CV: cardiovascular; HFmrEF: heart failure with mid-range ejection fraction; HFpEF: heart failure with preserved ejection fraction; HFrEF: heart failure with reduced ejection fraction; LVEF: left ventricular ejection fraction; MI: myocardial infarction; PWV: pulse wave velocity; Ref: reference.

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