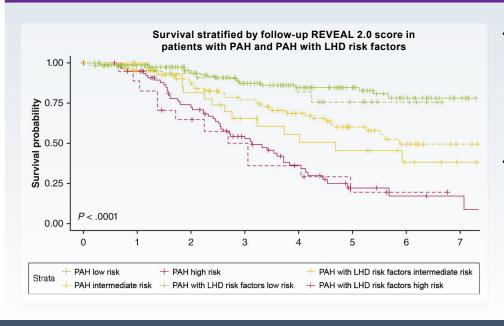
In PAH, Does the Presence of Left Heart Disease Risk Factors Affect Treatment Response and the Applicability of Risk Assessment?



STUDY DESIGN

Analysis of Pulmonary Hypertension Society of Australia and New Zealand Registry of patients with pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) with left heart disease (LHD) risk factors from 2011 to 2020 (compared with PAH as reference)

RESULTS



- PAH with left heart disease risk factors was less likely to receive initial combination therapy (27% vs 44%, P = .02)
- Changes in 6-minute walk test and functional class improvements after therapy were similar

Patients with PAH with left heart disease risk factors were less likely to be exposed to initial combination therapy. Functional response with initial combination therapy appeared similar in magnitude to the reference group.