



## HEART FAILURE

With EJECTION FRACTION >40%

► **Improving Management**  
of HFpEF and HFmrEF



# Heart failure with preserved ejection fraction is an increasingly prevalent condition with alarming morbidity and mortality rates

Yet proven treatment options are limited, making HFpEF a growing population health concern<sup>1-3</sup>

In the United States,  
~50% of patients die within 5 years of HF diagnosis<sup>4</sup>

Incidence rates are increasing, with HFpEF making up more than half of all HF cases<sup>1,5</sup>

Among US patients with HF<sup>5\*</sup>:

36% have HFrEF

8% have HFmrEF

57% have HFpEF

According to data from the Framingham Heart Study<sup>1</sup>:

HFpEF  
Incidence increased 37%

WHILE

HFrEF  
Incidence decreased 30%

over a 30-year period<sup>†</sup>

HFpEF incidence rates are outpacing those of HFrEF due to<sup>6</sup>:



Increased life expectancy



Epidemic of cardiac and non-cardiac comorbidities



Increased clinical recognition of HFpEF

HFpEF disproportionately impacts women and the elderly<sup>7,8</sup>

Women outnumber men by a ratio of ~2:1<sup>‡</sup> and a majority of patients are >65 years of age<sup>7,8</sup>

DESPISE A NOTABLE RISE IN ITS PREVALENCE OVER TIME

There are fewer guideline-directed medical therapies for HFpEF, with most recommendations currently in classes 2a and 2b<sup>3</sup>

\*According to a large observational analysis of data collected from 2008 to 2016 by the Veradigm Cardiology Registry® (formerly the ACC's NCDR PINNACLE Registry®). Percentages total greater than 100% due to rounding.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>†</sup>HF prevalence data for 894 outpatients with new onset HF from the community-based Framingham Study over 3 decades (1985-2014). LVEF categories were defined as HFrEF (EF <40%), HFmrEF (EF 40-<50%), and HFpEF (EF ≥50%).<sup>1</sup>

<sup>‡</sup>Based on a community surveillance study of 2,762 incident HF cases between 2000 and 2010 in the population of Olmsted County, Minnesota. HFrEF was defined by an EF <50% and HFpEF was defined by an EF ≥50%. EF data were missing in 21.6% of cases. Among patients with available EF measurement, 1,089 had HFpEF, with women accounting for 701 HFpEF cases and men accounting for 388 HFpEF cases across the 10-year study period.<sup>7</sup>

ACC, American College of Cardiology; EF, ejection fraction; HF, heart failure; HFrEF, heart failure with reduced ejection fraction; LVEF, left ventricular ejection fraction; NCDR, National Cardiovascular Data Registry.

# HFpEF is associated with a staggering economic burden, driven by high rates of hospitalizations, readmissions, and deaths

Patients with HFpEF have high rates of hospitalizations — the largest driver of medical costs<sup>2,9-12</sup>

Annually, among US patients with HF as a primary diagnosis, there are<sup>9</sup>:

**~1.1 million**  
ED visits

**980,000**  
Hospitalizations

**84,000**  
Deaths

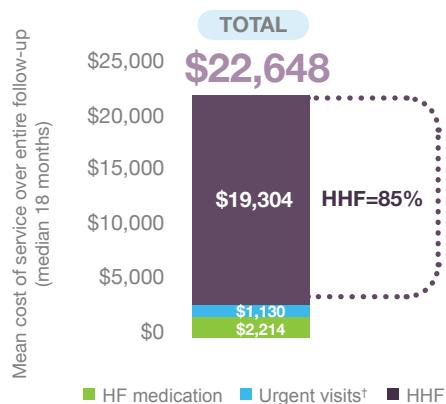
Hospitalizations for heart failure (HHF) comprise the largest component of direct medical costs associated with HF<sup>11</sup>

**\$11B**  
Estimated annual costs for HHF in the US

**\$7,860 to \$10,551**  
Mean cost per HHF among patients with HFpEF

HHF comprised 85% of HCRU in patients with HFpEF<sup>12</sup>

HCRU costs in patients with HFpEF during post-diagnosis follow-up period (median 18 months)<sup>12\*</sup>



Patients hospitalized with HFpEF have high rates of readmission and death<sup>2</sup>

**20%**  
readmitted within 30 days of hospital discharge<sup>2</sup>

**>50%**  
readmitted within 1 year of hospital discharge<sup>2</sup>

**35%**  
5-year survival rate post HHF<sup>2</sup>

Without additional interventions to treat HFpEF, medical costs associated with this condition are expected to increase by >70% by 2030<sup>13‡</sup>

\*According to a 2021 retrospective, claims-based study. Patients were indexed on date of first/earliest claim with a HF diagnosis code. Variable follow-up extended from indexing until the earliest loss of medical/pharmacy eligibility or end of study period, ranging from 0 to 71 months.<sup>12</sup>

†Urgent HF visits were defined as emergency department visits with HF as the primary diagnosis.<sup>12</sup>

‡Percentage increase calculated based on projected increase in medical costs for HF in the United States from 2020 to 2030.<sup>13</sup>

# Limited clinically proven treatment options and underutilization of GDMT underscore a critical need for improved management of HFpEF and HFmrEF

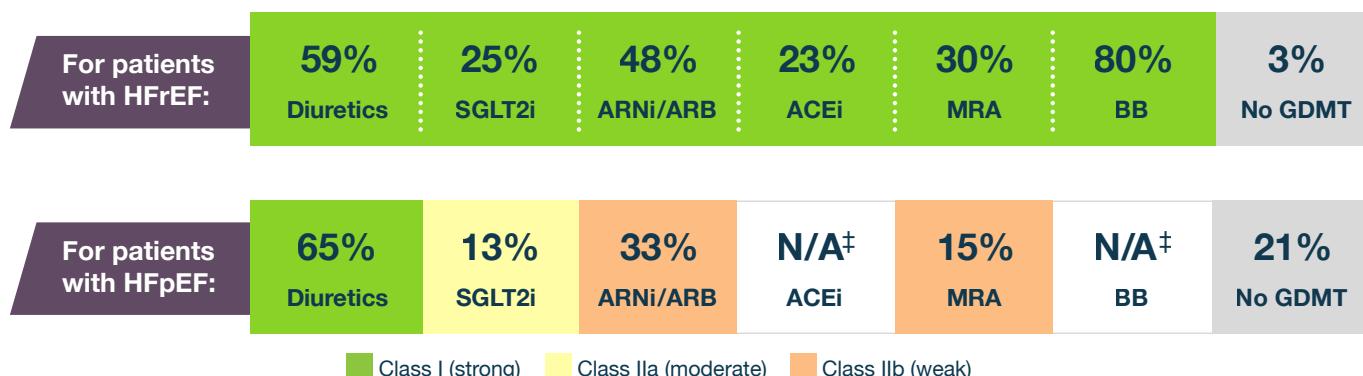
Current guideline-recommended treatment options for both HFmrEF and HFpEF are limited—particularly among Class I options<sup>3</sup>

AHA/ACC/HFSA guidelines: Recommendations for chronic HF (2022)



GDMT in the HFpEF real-world patient population is underutilized, particularly as compared with HFrEF<sup>14</sup>

Real-World Utilization of Guideline-Directed Medical Therapies<sup>14†</sup>



Optimized implementation of GDMT and a multimodal therapeutic approach may improve outcomes in HFpEF<sup>14</sup>

\*Greater benefit in patients with LVEF closer to 50%.

†Utilization data from January 2023 to December 2023.

‡Not recommended for use in HFpEF in the 2022 AHA/ACC/HFSA Heart Failure Guideline.<sup>3</sup>

ACEi, angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor; ARB, angiotensin receptor blocker; ARNi, angiotensin receptor-neprilysin inhibitor; BB, beta blocker; GDMT, guideline-directed medical therapy; HFSA, Heart Failure Society of America; MRA, mineralocorticoid receptor antagonist; SGLT2i, sodium-glucose cotransporter 2 inhibitor.

# HFpEF poses a high clinical and economic burden but has limited treatment options, resulting in an urgent unmet need



Recent data suggest escalating prevalence and alarming morbidity and mortality rates in HFpEF<sup>1,2</sup>



This immense clinical burden is resulting in high healthcare costs, which are predominately generated by hospitalizations<sup>10</sup>



As there are limited clinically proven options to treat HFpEF, additional treatment options are essential to stem the rising hospitalization rates and associated costs<sup>3,10</sup>



There is a key opportunity to improve outcomes in patients with HFpEF via a multimodal treatment regimen with GDMT<sup>14</sup>

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