

# Patient Reported Outcomes (PROs) Overview

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#### **Disclosures**

None







#### Key Objectives

 Background & Goals of PROs
 Why PROs for CHANGE AFib?
 Instructions & Guidance on PRO Administration

## **Background & Goals of PROs**



#### Pop Quiz (Raise Your Hands)

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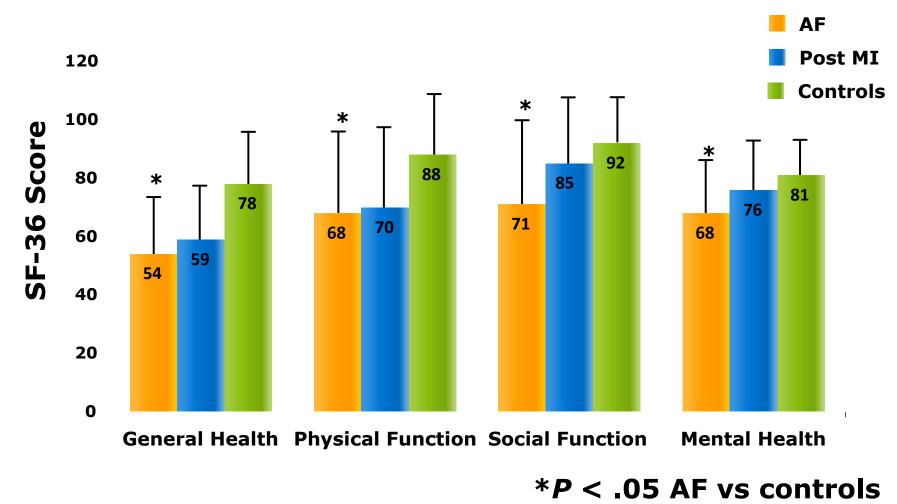
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<u>The reductions in QOL are</u> <u>comparable across all 3 conditions.</u>





### **AF Adversely Affects QoL**





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# Background and Goals of PROs

- Any report of the status of a patient's health condition or health behavior that comes directly from the patient <u>without</u> interpretation of the patient's response by a clinician or anyone else
- PRO instruments are used to measure the effect of a medical intervention on one or more domains relevant to the disease state
- Can be used to inform patient-centered care, clinical decision making, and health policy<sup>1</sup>

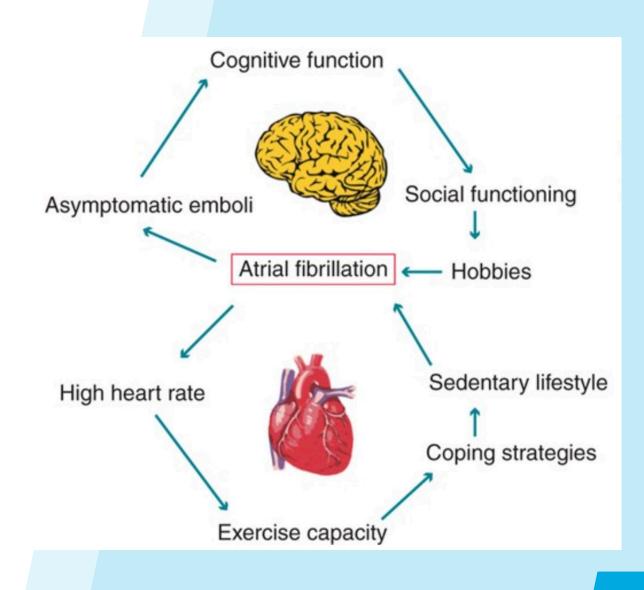


# Why PROs for CHANGE AFib?



### **PROs in CHANGE AFib**

- Atrial fibrillation symptoms and their effect on patients are variable, ranging from minimal to incapacitating
- Previous studies with with medical therapy and ablation have shown benefit in PROs
- Important to ensure that PROs do not worsen and ideally, improve with intervention





#### **PROs in CV Trials**

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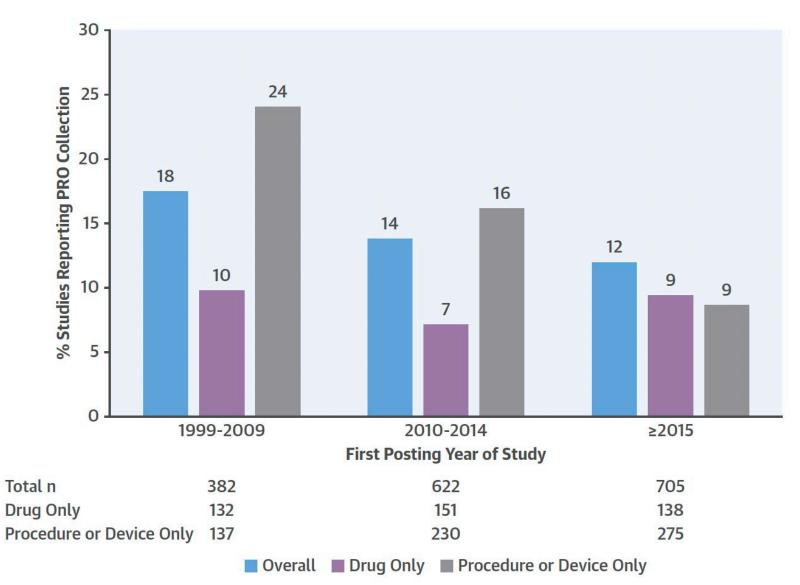
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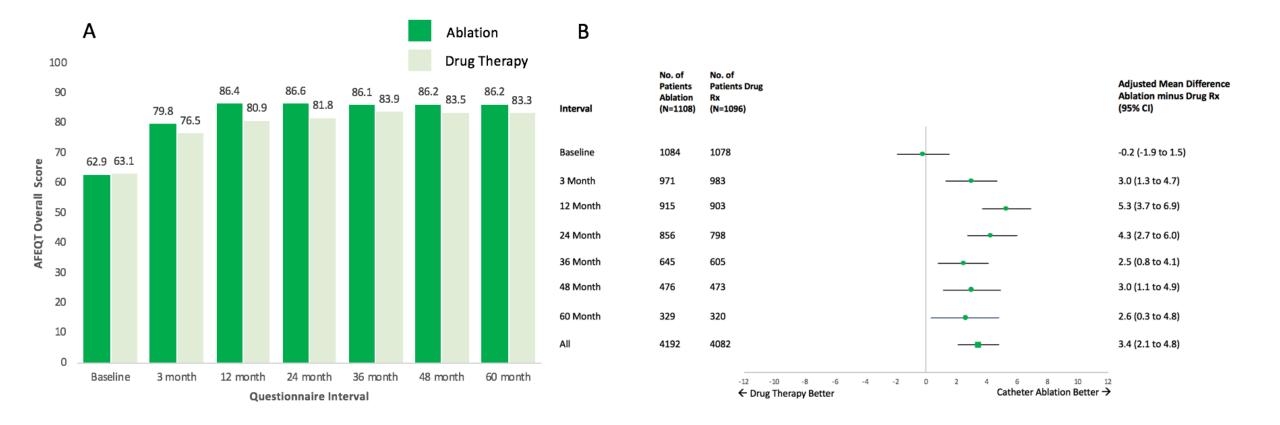
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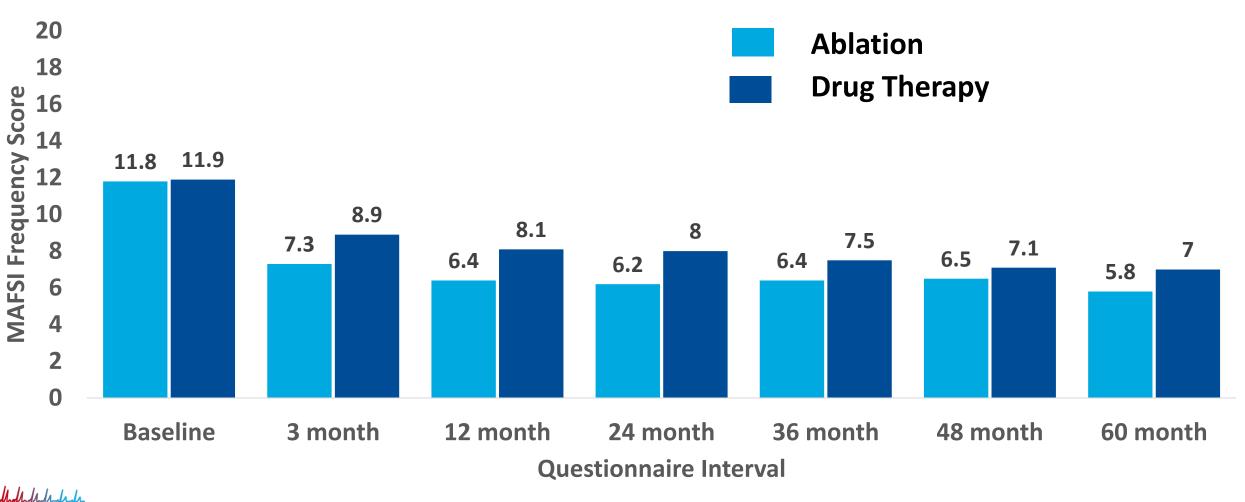
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#### AF-Related Quality of Life Improved with Rhythm Control: Findings from the CABANA Trial





## MAFSI Frequency Score: Intention-to-Treat Analysis



### Instructions & Guidance on PRO Administration



#### **Quality of Life Scales**

The following sections will cover how to correctly administer the following Quality of Life (QOL) Scales. Both scales will be administered at the baseline visit and the 12-month follow-up visit. Total scores for each questionnaire will be calculated for you within GWTG-AFib.

- Atrial Fibrillation Effect on QualiTy-of-life (AFEQT) questionnaire
- Mayo AF-Specific Symptom Inventory (MAFSI)





## AFEQT

#### What is the AFEQT Questionnaire?

• An AFib specific health-related quality of life (HRQoL) questionnaire to assess the impact of atrial fibrillation on patients' HRQOL and possibly assess changes with treatment.

#### Administration of the AFEQT questionnaire:

- Completion should take approximately 5 minutes
- Intended to be a self-administered questionnaire
- All respondents should be encouraged to answer each question. If the respondent asks for clarification of a particular item, read the question to the subject verbatim. If the respondent still asks for clarification, explain to him/her that he/she should use his/her own interpretation of the question.
- If the patient cannot read, read each question to him/her verbatim.

#### **Baseline & 12-Month Follow-up Visits:**

- In-person visits: Provide the questionnaire to the patient to complete.
- Virtual visits: Read the questionnaire, verbatim, document patient responses

#### Atrial Fibrillation Effect on QualiTy-of-life (AFEQT) Questionnaire

#### Section 1. Occurrence of atrial fibrillation

Are you currently in atrial fibrillation? Yes No

If No, when was the last time you were aware of having had an episode of atrial fibrillation? (Please check <u>one</u> answer which best describes your situation)

- \_earlier today
- within the past week
- within the past month

1 month to 1 year ago more than 1 year ago I was never aware of having atrial fibrillation

Name or ID:

Section 2. The following questions refer to how atrial fibrillation affects your quality of life. On a scale of 1 to 7, over the <u>past 4 weeks</u>, as a result of your atrial fibrillation, how much were you bothered by: (Please circle <u>one</u> number which best describes your situation)

|    |   | Not at all<br>bothered<br>Or I did not have<br>this symptom | Hardly<br>bothered | A little<br>bothered | Moderately<br>bothered | Quite a bit<br>bothered | Very<br>bothered | Extremely<br>bothered |
|----|---|---|--------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. | Palpitations: Heart fluttering,<br>skipping or racing | 1   | 2                  | 3                    | 4                      | 5                       | 6                | 7                     |
| 2. | Irregular heart beat                                  | 1   | 2                  | 3                    | 4                      | 5                       | 6                | 7                     |
| З. | A pause in heart activity                             | 1   | 2                  | 3                    | 4                      | 5                       | 6                | 7                     |
| 4. | Lightheadedness or dizziness                          | 1   | 2                  | 3                    | 4                      | 5                       | 6                | 7                     |

On a scale of 1 to 7, over the <u>past 4 weeks</u>, have you been limited by your atrial fibrillation in your: (Please circle <u>one</u> number which best describes your situation)

|    |   | Not at all<br>limited | Hardly<br>limited | A little<br>limited | Moderately<br>limited | Quite a bit<br>limited | Very<br>limited | Extremely<br>limited |
|----|---|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 5. | Ability to have recreational<br>pastimes, sports, and hobbies           | 1                     | 2                 | 3                   | 4                     | 5                      | 6               | 7                    |
| 6. | Ability to have a relationship and<br>do things with friends and family | 1                     | 2                 | 3                   | 4                     | 5                      | 6               | 7                    |

On a scale of 1 to 7, over the <u>past 4 weeks</u>, as a result of your atrial fibrillation, how much difficulty have you had in: (Please circle <u>one</u> number which best describes your situation)

|     |   | No difficulty<br>at all | Hardly any<br>difficulty | A little difficulty | Moderate<br>difficulty | Quite a bit of<br>difficulty | A lot of<br>difficulty | Extreme<br>difficulty |
|-----|---|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 7.  | Doing any activity because you felt<br>tired, fatigued, or low on energy  | 1                       | 2                        | 3                   | 4                      | 5                            | 6                      | 7                     |
| 8.  | Doing physical activity because of<br>shortness of breath   | 1                       | 2                        | 3                   | 4                      | 5                            | 6                      | 7                     |
| 9.  | Exercising  | 1                       | 2                        | 3                   | 4                      | 5                            | 6                      | 7                     |
| 10. | Walking briskly   | 1                       | 2                        | 3                   | 4                      | 5                            | 6                      | 7                     |
| 11. | Walking briskly uphill or carrying<br>groceries or other items, up a flight<br>of stairs without stopping   | 1                       | 2                        | 3                   | 4                      | 5                            | 6                      | 7                     |
| 12. | Doing vigorous activities such as<br>lifting or moving heavy furniture,<br>running, or participating in<br>strenuous sports like tennis or<br>racquetball | 1                       | 2                        | 3                   | 4                      | 5                            | 6                      | 7                     |

#### Atrial Fibrillation Effect on QualiTy-of-life (AFEQT) Questionnaire

On a scale of 1 to 7, over the <u>past 4 weeks</u> as a result of your atrial fibrillation, how much did the feelings below bother you? (Please circle <u>one</u> number which best describes your situation)

|   | Not at all<br>Bothered | Hardly<br>bothered | A little<br>bothered | Moderately<br>bothered | Quite a bit<br>bothered | Very<br>bothered | Extremely<br>bothered |
|---|------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| <ol> <li>Feeling worried or anxious that<br/>your atrial fibrillation can start<br/>anytime</li> </ol>    | 1                      | 2                  | 3                    | 4                      | 5                       | 6                | 7                     |
| 14. Feeling worried that atrial<br>fibrillation may worsen other<br>medical conditions in the long<br>run | 1                      | 2                  | 3                    | 4                      | 5                       | 6                | 7                     |

On a scale of 1 to 7, over the <u>past 4 weeks</u>, as a result of your atrial fibrillation treatment, how much were you bothered by: (Please circle <u>one</u> number which best describes your situation)

|              |   | Not at all<br>bothered | Hardly bothered | A little<br>bothered | Moderately<br>bothered | Quite a bit<br>bothered | Very<br>bothered | Extremely<br>bothered |
|--------------|---|------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 <b>5</b> . | Worrying about the treatment side effects from medications  | 1                      | 2               | 3                    | 4                      | 5                       | 6                | 7                     |
| 16.          | Worrying about complications or<br>side effects from procedures like<br>catheter ablation, surgery, or<br>pacemakers therapy                            | 1                      | 2               | 3                    | 4                      | 5                       | 6                | 7                     |
| 17.          | Worrying about side effects of<br>blood thinners such as<br>nosebleeds, bleeding gums when<br>brushing teeth, heavy bleeding<br>from cuts, or bruising. | 1                      | 2               | 3                    | 4                      | 5                       | 6                | 7                     |
| 18.          | Worrying or feeling anxious that<br>your treatment interferes with your<br>daily activities   | 1                      | 2               | 3                    | 4                      | 5                       | 6                | 7                     |

On a scale of 1 to 7, overall, how satisfied are you at the present time with: (Please circle one number which best describes your situation)

|     |  | Extremely satisfied | Very<br>satisfied | Somewhat satisfied | Mixed with<br>satisfied and<br>dissatisfied | Somewhat<br>dissatisfied | Very<br>dissatisfied | Extremely<br>dissatisfied |
|-----|--|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---|--------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| 19. | How well your current treatment controls your atrial fibrillation?                     | 1                   | 2                 | 3                  | 4   | 5                        | 6                    | 7                         |
| 20. | The extent to which treatment<br>has relieved your symptoms of<br>atrial fibrillation? | 1                   | 2                 | 3                  | 4   | 5                        | 6                    | 7                         |

Name or ID:\_

For Trial Staff Only. CHANGE AFib Patient ID (as found in REDCap:



# **AFEQT Scoring**

- General Scoring Information
- / The responses on the AFEQT are scored on a 1 to 7 Likert scale, where for questions 1-18,
  - 1= "Not at all..." to 7 = "Extremely...".
- ✓ Questions 19-21 relate to patients' satisfaction with treatment and are not included in HRQoL score of the AFEQT questionnaire.
- Overall AFEQT score
- / Calculation of the AFEQT score is calculated based on the following formula:

Overall AFEQT score: 100 - <u>(sum of severity for all questions answered - number of questions answered) X 100</u> (total number questions answered X 6)





#### Mayo AF-Specific Symptom Inventory (MAFSI)

Subject ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_ ID as found in F

Write-in the subject's CHANGE AFib Patient ID as found in REDCap

Assessment Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Think back over the past month. Please tell us how often you have had each symptom listed below:

|   |       |        | How Often?<br>(mark one) | How Severe?<br>(Leave blank if "Never") |        |      |          |         |
|---|-------|--------|--------------------------|---|--------|------|----------|---------|
|   | Never | Rarely | Sometimes                | Often                                   | Always | Mild | Moderate | Extreme |
| Palpitations heart<br>fluttering/racing                     |       |        |                          |   |        |      |          |         |
| Slow heart beat   |       |        |                          |   |        |      |          |         |
| Lightheadedness/dizziness                                   |       |        |                          |   |        |      |          |         |
| Fainting/blackout/loss of<br>consciousness                  |       |        |                          |   |        |      |          |         |
| Chest pain, pressure or<br>fullness WITHOUT<br>palpitations |       |        |                          |   |        |      |          |         |
| Shortness of breath   |       |        |                          |   |        |      |          |         |
| Unable to exercise  |       |        |                          |   |        |      |          |         |
| Tired/lack of energy  |       |        |                          |   |        |      |          |         |
| Weakness  |       |        |                          |   |        |      |          |         |
| Feeling warm/flushed  |       |        |                          |   |        |      |          |         |

## MAFSI

CHANGE AFib is using a modified MAFSI questionnaire comprised of a 10-item AFib symptom checklist asking about both the frequency and severity of each symptom.



## MAFSI

#### What is the MAFSI Questionnaire?

• The MAFSI was developed as a modification and update of the AF Symptom Checklist.

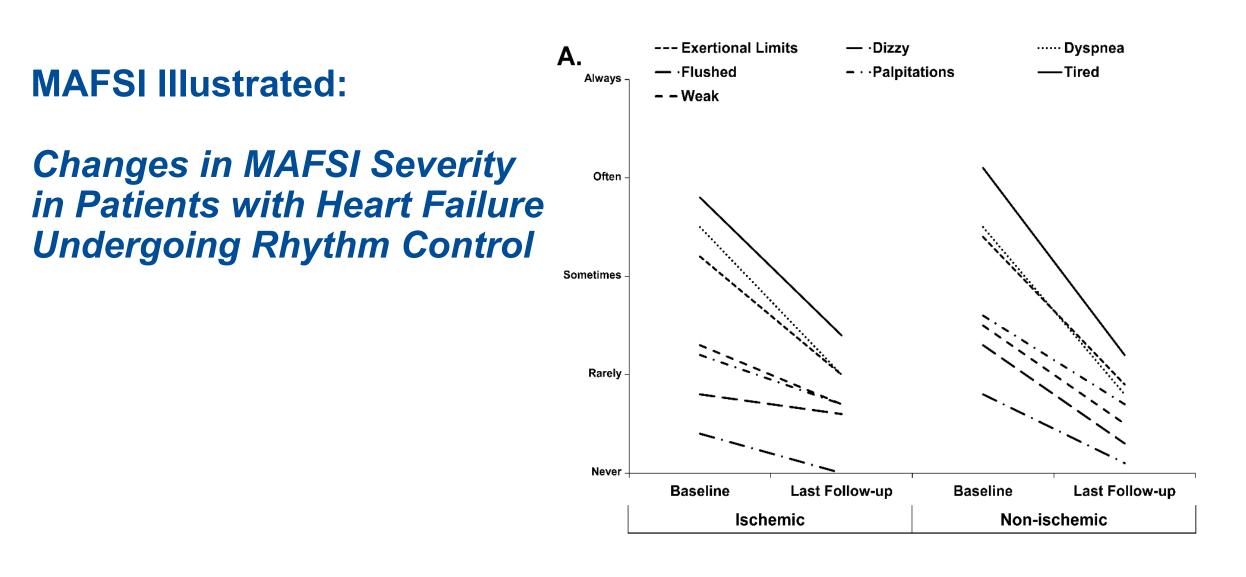
#### Administration of the MAFSI questionnaire:

- The frequency of symptoms is recorded as 0 (Never), 1 (rarely), 2 (sometimes), 3 (often), or 4 (always).
- These responses are summed for a total Frequency Score that ranges from 0 (no AF symptoms) to 40 (worst score). Similarly, MAFSI Severity Scores are recorded as 1 (mild), 2 (moderate), or 3 (extreme). Severity scores are summed and range from 0 (no AF symptoms) to 30 (most severe AF symptoms).
- The MAFSI will be collected on the trial case report form and will be administered by site coordinators at baseline and at the 12-month follow-up visit. Patients can self complete the form or trial staff can read the questionnaire, verbatim, to the patients and document his/her responses.

#### **Baseline & 12-Month Follow-up Visits:**

• In-person visits: Provide the questionnaire to the patient to complete.

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# **Thank You**