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There were a few discrepancies. In table 4, there is one more patient included in the dataset than in the paper. The wilcoxin test was mentioned in the paper to get the confidence intervals for table 4's difference in percentage. However, it was not properly clarified how exactly they calculated it. Thus, there is a discrepancy in the confidence intervals for that difference in proportions. (Since the upper and lower bounds of the confidence intervals are essentially at the same value, the difference in percentage was not included). Overall, documentation could have been improved in that part of the analysis.

**Table 2**

	0 (N = 3403)	1 (N = 3397)
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Age (yr) — mean $\pm$ SD	63.5 $\pm$ 10.8	63.4 $\pm$ 11.0
Ejection fraction — mean $\pm$ SD	28.4 $\pm$ 8.9	28.6 $\pm$ 8.8
Median duration of CHF — mo	16	17
<b>% of patients</b>		
Female sex	22.5	22.2
Nonwhite race	14.8	14.3
Age>70 yr	27.4	26.7
<b>Method of assessing ejection fraction:</b>		
Radionuclide ventriculography	64.2	65.0
Two-dimensional echocardiography	30.0	29.5
Contrast angiography	5.8	5.5
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Cardiothoracic ratio>0.55	34.4	34.6
<b>NYHA class</b>		
I	13.0	13.7
II	54.5	53.3
III	30.5	30.7
IV	1.9	2.2
<b>No. of signs or symptoms of CHF†</b>		
0	1.1	1.1
1	2.0	2.4
2	7.1	7.1
3	8.6	9.3
4+	81.2	80.2
<b>Medical history</b>		
Previous myocardial infarction	65.3	64.7
Current angina	26.4	27.1
Diabetes	28.6	28.3
Hypertension	45.8	45.0
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Previous digoxin use	44.6	44.1

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<b>Primary Cause of Ischemia</b>		
Ischemic	70.7	71.0
Nonischemic	29.3	29.0
Nonischemic: idiopathic	14.2	15.5
Nonischemic: hypertensive	9.2	8.0
Nonischemic: other	6.0	5.5
<b>Concomitant medications</b>		
Diuretics	82.2	81.2
Ace Inhibitors	94.8	94.1
Nitrates	43.1	42.2
Other Vasodilators	1.5	0.9
<b>Daily dose of study medication prescribed</b>		
0.125 mg	17.4	17.5
0.250 mg	70.1	70.6
0.375 mg	11.3	10.3
0.500 mg	0.9	1.1

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(Accidentally also did table 2)

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ALL	1,194 (35.1)	1,181 (34.8)
Cardiovascular	1,004 (29.5)	1,016 (29.9)
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Cardiovascular: Worsening Heart Failure	449 (37.6)	394 (33.4)
Cardiovascular: Other Cardiac	444 (37.2)	508 (43.0)
Cardiovascular: Other Vascular	45 (3.8)	50 (4.2)
Cardiovascular: Unknown	66 (5.5)	64 (5.4)
Noncardiac and non-vascular	190 (15.9)	165 (14.0)

	HR	lb	ub	p
TRTMT...1	0.9897291	0.9132349	1.072631	0.8013846
TRTMT...2	1.0124118	0.9278499	1.104680	0.7816322
TRTMT...3	0.8786338	0.7674446	1.005932	0.0608914
TRTMT...4	1.1435411	1.0068172	1.298832	0.0389666
TRTMT...5	1.1127996	0.7438911	1.664656	0.6029694
TRTMT...6	0.9710935	0.6885412	1.369595	0.8672144
TRTMT...7	0.8698142	0.7060665	1.071537	0.1899682

**Table 4**

Table 4: T4: Percentages

Variable	Dig_Denom	Dig_Num	Digoxin_Prop	Placebo_Denom	Placebo_Num	Placebo_Prop
Ejection Frac.	1127	428	38.0	1130	556	49.2
Ejection Frac.	2270	613	27.0	2273	735	32.3
Previous Use of Dig	1899	491	25.9	1884	603	32.0
Previous Use of Dig	1498	550	36.7	1519	688	45.3
Cause of Heart Failure	983	306	31.1	996	413	41.5
Cause of Heart Failure	2405	731	30.4	2398	873	36.4
Cardiothor. ratio	1176	441	37.5	1170	567	48.5
Cardiothor. ratio	2220	600	27.0	2232	724	32.4
NYHA Class	2275	601	26.4	2296	739	32.2
NYHA Class	1118	438	39.2	1105	552	50.0
Study Population	3397	1041	30.6	3403	1291	37.9

Table 5: T4: Wilcox Tests

Variable	low	high
Ejection Frac.	-11.2	-11.2
Ejection Frac.	-5.3	-5.3
Previous Use of Dig	-6.1	-6.1
Previous Use of Dig	-8.6	-8.6
Cause of Heart Failure	-10.4	-10.4
Cause of Heart Failure	-6.0	-6.0
Cardiothor. ratio	-11.0	-11.0
Cardiothor. ratio	-5.4	-5.4
NYHA Class	-5.8	-5.8
NYHA Class	-10.8	-10.8
Study Population	-7.3	-7.3

Table 6: T4: Cox Models

	HR	lb	ub	p
TRTMT...1	0.7979448	0.7168228	0.8882473	3.68e-05
TRTMT...2	0.6809378	0.6056882	0.7655361	0.00e+00
TRTMT...3	0.7380911	0.6597999	0.8256724	1.00e-07
TRTMT...4	0.7677309	0.6814938	0.8648806	1.38e-05
TRTMT...5	0.7935371	0.7192669	0.8754764	4.00e-06
TRTMT...6	0.6667581	0.5750953	0.7730308	1.00e-07
TRTMT...7	0.7903627	0.7093012	0.8806882	2.03e-05
TRTMT...8	0.6929434	0.6118361	0.7848026	0.00e+00
TRTMT...9	0.7797704	0.7001804	0.8684074	5.90e-06
TRTMT...10	0.6949527	0.6130150	0.7878424	0.00e+00
TRTMT...11	0.7532149	0.6941587	0.8172953	0.00e+00