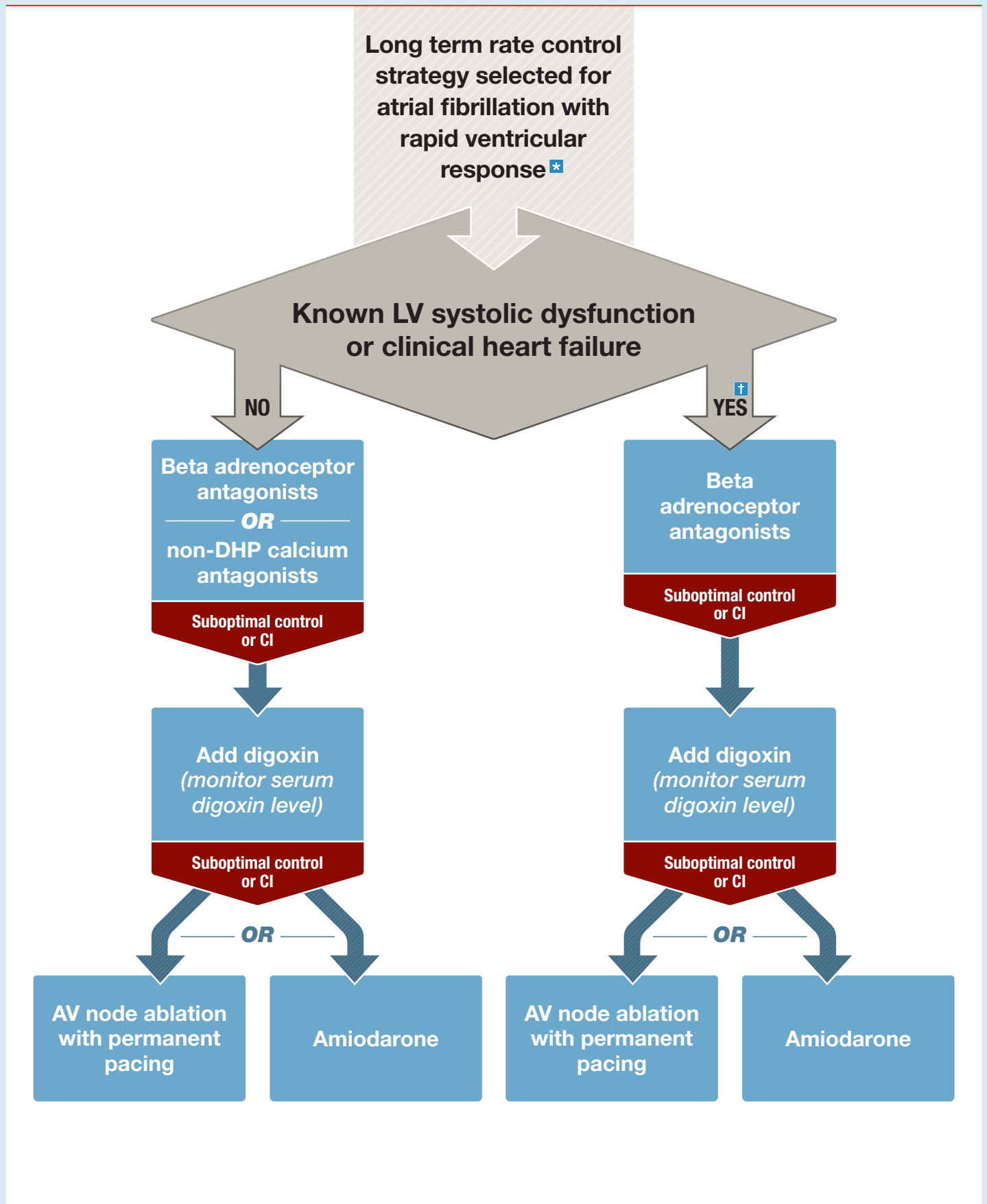


Figure 4: Chronic rate control of atrial fibrillation with rapid ventricular response



LV
left ventricular

DHP
dihydropyridine

IV
intravenous

CI
contraindications

AV
atrioventricular

AF
atrial fibrillation

* Ensure membrane-active antiarrhythmic rhythm control agents are ceased once rate control strategy adopted

† Re-evaluate the potential role of a rhythm control strategy (in particular with catheter ablation) in heart failure patients with the goal of reversing systolic dysfunction and improving prognosis