**Online appendix 2**: Score points associated with the presence/absence/category of each risk factor.

| Variable                  | Range   | Instructions                                      |
|---------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------------------|
| Gender - female           | -1 to 0 | -1 point                                          |
| Age                       | 0 to 15 | points=(Age – 20)/5 (rounded to floor); 1 point/5 years from 20 to 95 |
| LVEF category num         | 0 to 2  | > 51% = 0; 41-51% = 1; 30-40% = 2; ≤ 30% = 2       |
| Periph. arterial disease  | 0 to 1  | 1 point                                           |
| Previous CHF              | 0 to 1  | 1 point                                           |
| Killip                    | 0 to 3  | K1 = 0; K2 = 1; K3 = 2; K4 = 3                    |
| Optimal medical therapy   | -1 to 0 | -1 point                                          |

LVEF: left ventricle ejection fraction;