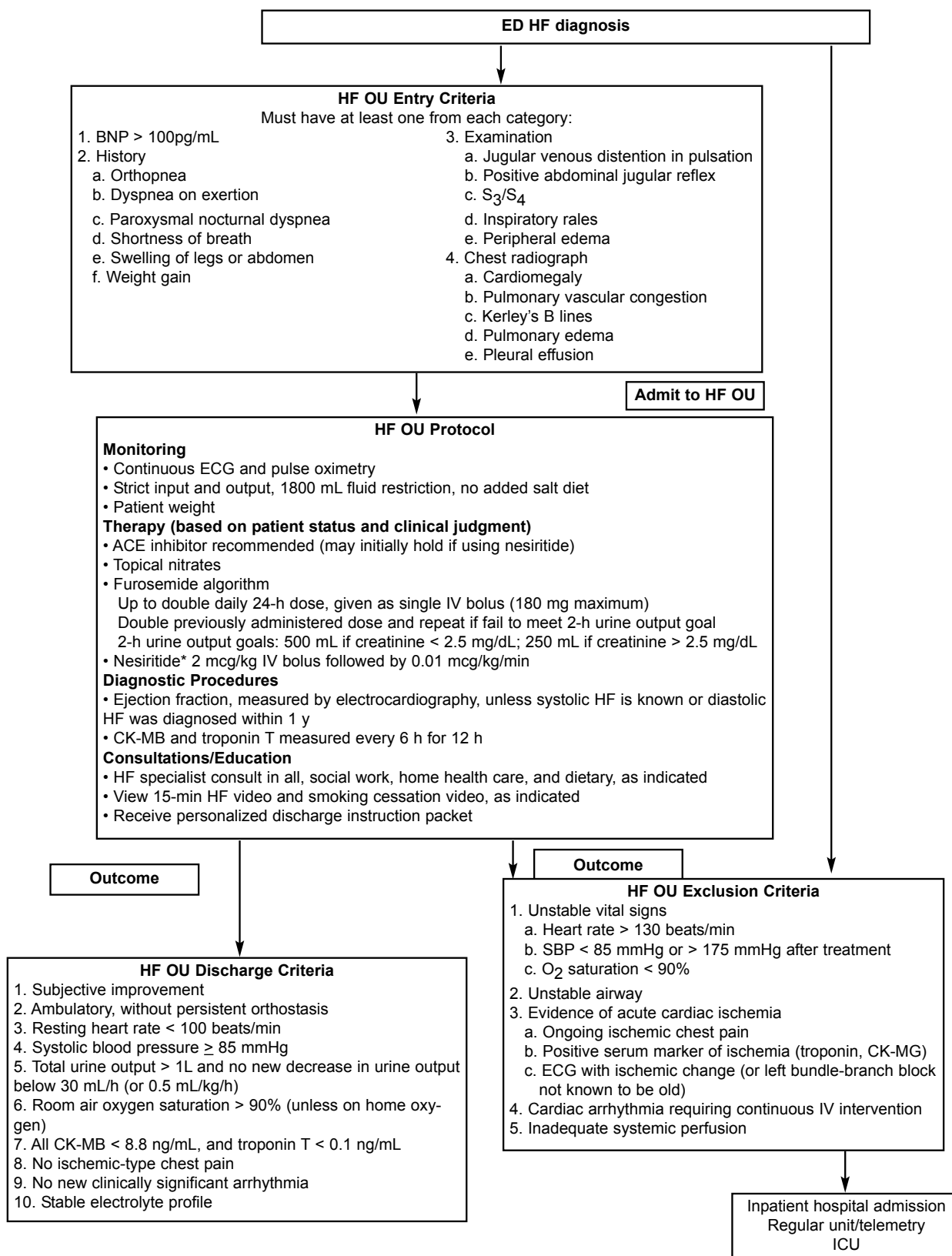


Figure 3. Decision Tree for HF Patients in the ED



* Future studies will clarify the exact role for nesiritide.

Key: HF = heart failure; OU = observation unit; S₃ = third heart sound; S₄ = fourth heart sound; IV = intravenous; CK-MB = creatinine kinase, MB fraction; SBP = systolic blood pressure

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