

IS SUBCUTANEOUS ICD READY TO REPLACE TRANSVENOUS DEFIBRILLATOR IN SUDDEN CARDIAC DEATH PREVENTION?

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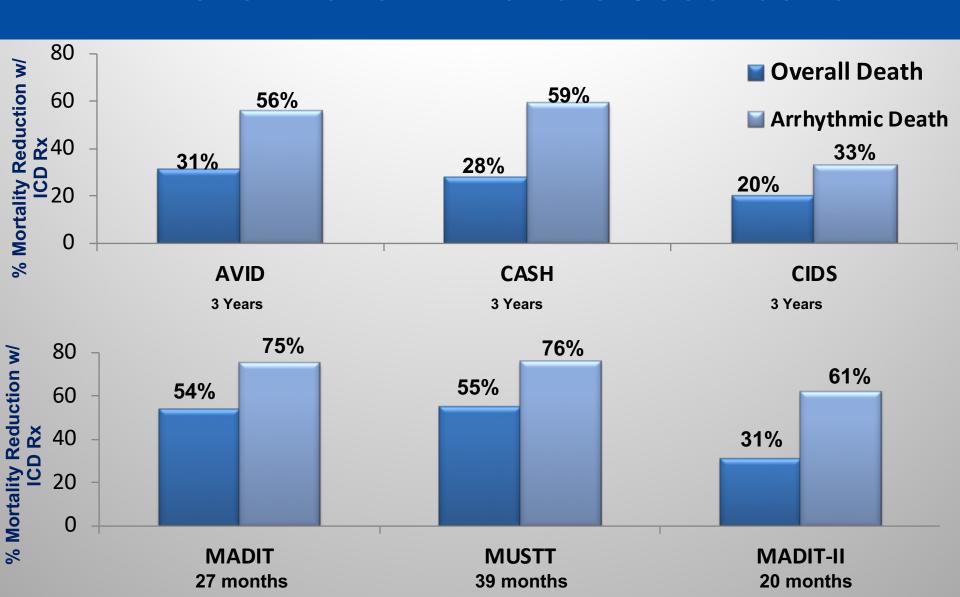
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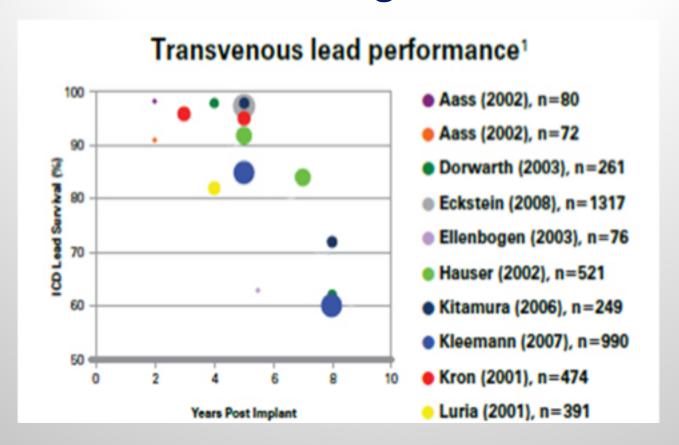
STIMO molto il dott. Mauro Biffi

- > E' una brava persona
- Colto ed Esperto
- **➢** Onestà intellettuale

TV-ICD Trials Prevenzione Primaria e Secondaria

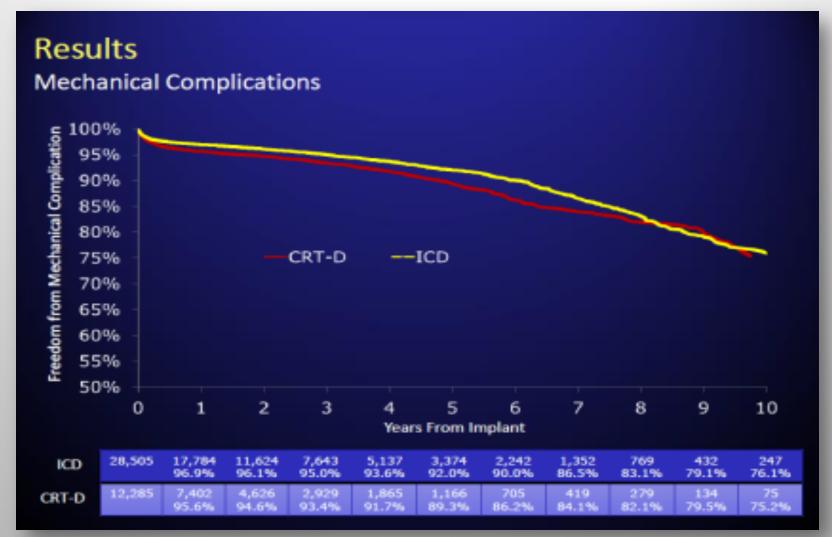


Limiti della tecnologia ICD transvenosa



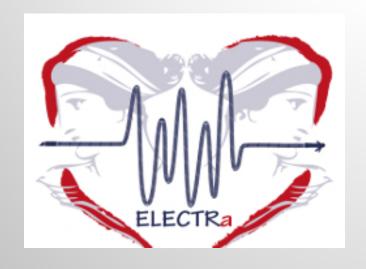
I sistemi transvenosi sono stati tuttavia associati a complicanze correlate alla difficoltà di mantenere l'integrità dell'elettrocatetere e dell'accesso vascolare a lungo termine.¹

Optum Database: dati su + 40.000 impianti da assicurazioni USA



Il 25% dei pazienti (1 su 4) ha almeno una complicanza in 10 anni

Il panorama dell'estrazione transvenosa degli elettrocateteri in Europa: il Registro ELECTRA EHRA



- √ 3500 pazienti in 2 anni in 76 Centri
- √ 6433 cateteri estratti di cui 3105 da ICD
- ✓ Infezione 52,7%
- ✓ Malfunzionamento 27,4%
- ✓ Perforazione cardiaca 2,1%

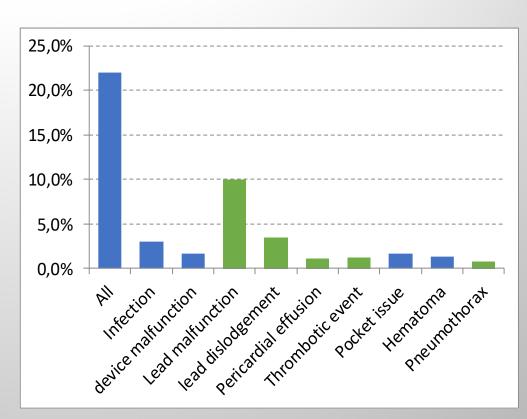
mortalità 6,5% 1 anno post-estrazione

mortalità 15,1% a 1 anno a seguito di infezione sistemica con conseguente estrazione dell'elettrocatetere

Lead Failure Is Most Important Source Of Complications In Young Patients

Up to 70% of all complications in young ICD recipients are lead-related, including both lead malfunction & lead placement issues

- Systematic meta of 63 studies
- N = 4915 ICD recipients with inherited arrhythmia syndromes
 - > ARVC: 710
 - > BrS: 1037
 - > CPVT: 28
 - **≻** HCM: 2466
 - > LMNA: 162
 - > LQT: 462
 - > SQT: 51
- Age: 39±15 years
- Follow-up: **53±26 months**
- 55% VR-ICD

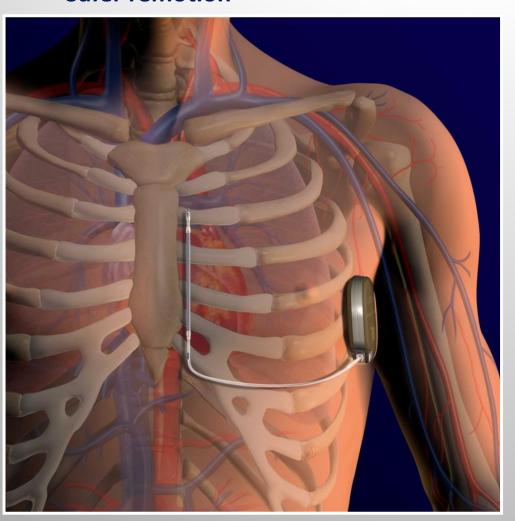


La maggior parte delle complicanze nei PTS ICD giovani sono causate da guasti dell'elettrocatetere (10%) e/o dall'impianto dell'elettrocatetere (6,5%)

The S-ICD System

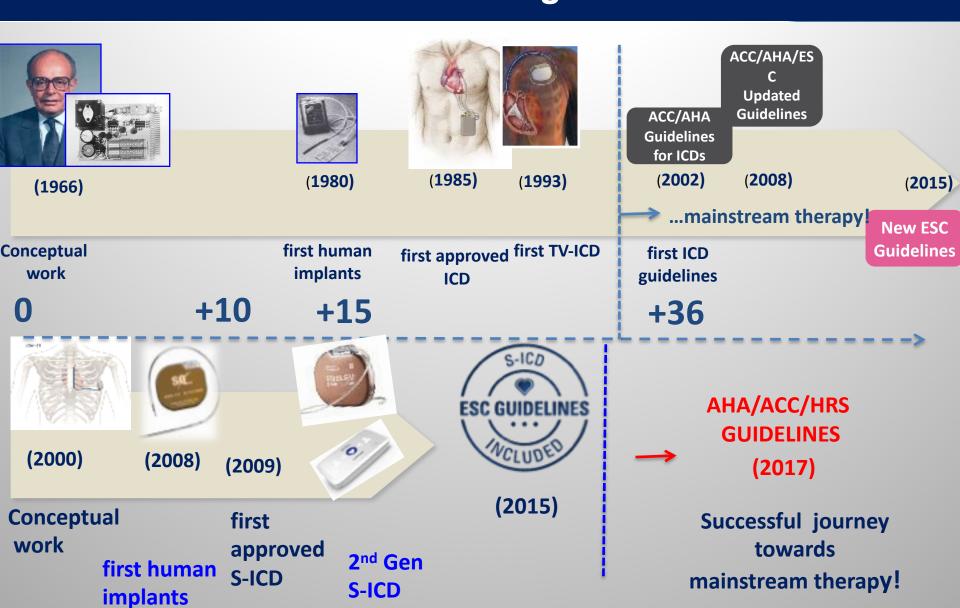
Completely Subcutaneous System

- Preserved Venous System
- Safer remotion



- 80 J max output5 shock max for episode
- Biphasic wave, tilt 50%
- Adaptive shock polarity Polarity switch on uneffective shock)
- Post-shock pacing on demand,max 30s, 50 bpm

S-ICD Clinical road to the guidelines...



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2010

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

An Entirely Subcutaneous Implantable Cardioverter–Defibrillator

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An Entirely Subcutaneous Implantable Cardioverter-Defibrillator

implantation may do so in subsequent years. In conclusion, the subcutaneous ICD may have a role in treating patients with good ventricular function and infrequent events but may be an inferior choice, as compared with the conventional or new intravascular devices, for patients with substantial ventricular dysfunction.

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Arrhythmia/Electrophysiology

Safety and Efficacy of a Totally Subcutaneous Implantable-Cardioverter Defibrillator

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2013

Conclusions

The S-ICD System is safe and well tolerated in a broad range of patients requiring ICD therapy. The S-ICD System is effective at detecting and treating both induced and spontaneous VT/VF. Chronic conversion testing results were consistent with acute conversion testing. Significant clinical complications were infrequent. Those that did occur were manageable without invasive intervention in the majority of cases. The S-ICD System represents a viable alternative to conventional ICD therapy in patients at risk of death from VT/VF.

CONTROVERSIES IN ARRHYTHMIA AND ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY

Who Should Receive the Subcutaneous Implanted Defibrillator?

The Subcutaneous Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator (ICD) Should Be Considered in all ICD Patients Who Do Not Require Pacing

Jeanne E. Poole, MD; Michael R. Gold, MD, PhD

Table 2. Characterization of Patient Groups for S-ICD Implantation

S-ICD is preferred device

No venous access (occluded veins or congenital anomalies)

High risk of complications for transvenous systems have (dialysis, pediatric, and immunocompromised)

Channelopathies (long-QT syndrome, Brugada, hypertrophic cardiomyopathy)

Previous device infections or lead failures

History of endocarditis

S-ICD should be strongly considered

Young patients

Life expectancy >10 y

Primary prevention indicated patients with ischemic/nonischemic heart failure

Prosthetic valves

Women (preferred generator placement lateral wall)

Selected secondary prevention indicated patients (survivors of out-ofhospital VF, no evidence of monomorphic VT

S-ICD should be avoided

Systolic heart failure and LBBB who are indicated for CRT

Symptomatic bradycardia requiring pacemaker

Recurrent sustained monomorphic VT for whom ATP is deemed appropriate

Worldwide experience with a totally subcutaneous implantable defibrillator: early results from the EFFORTLESS S-ICD Registry

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Conclusions

The first large cohort of real-world data from an International patient S-ICD system population demonstrates appropriate system performance with clinical event rates and inappropriate shock rates comparable with those reported for conventional ICDs.

2015

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2-Year Results From a Pooled Analysis of the IDE Study and EFFORTLESS Registry

CONCLUSIONS

The S-ICD showed very high shock efficacy for spontaneous ventricular arrhythmias and a decreasing incidence of inappropriate shocks. The complication-free rate and low mortality rate extended beyond the first year. The rate of inappropriate shocks and the risks of infection and total complications decreased as physicians who performed the procedure gained more experience with the device. These data provided further support for the safety and efficacy of the S-ICD in patients with primary and secondary indications without pacing indications over a 3-year period.

S-ICD guidelines

2014

2015

ESC HCM Guidelines: Class IIIb

Ī	Recommendations	Classa	Levelb	Ref.c
	Prior to ICD implantation, patients should be counselled on the risk of inappropriate shocks, implant complications and the social, occupational, and driving implications of the device.	-	U	219,327
	B-Blockers and/or amiodarone are recommended in patients with an ICD, who have symptomatic ventricular arrhythmias or recurrent shocks despite optimal treatment and device reprogramming.	_	n	219,403
	Electrophysiological study is recommended in patients with ICDs and inappropriate shocks due to regular supraventricular tachycardias, to identify and treat any ablatable arrhythmia substrate.	-	U	403
	A subcutaneous ICD lead system (S-ICD™) may be considered in HCM patients who do not have an indication for pacing.	IIb	С	407

ESC SCD Guidelines: Class Ila

Subcutaneous implantable cardioverter defibrillator

Recommendations	Classa	Levelb	Ref.c
Subcutaneous defibrillators should be considered as an alternative to transvenous defibrillators in patients with an indication for an ICD when pacing therapy for bradycardia support, cardiac resynchronization or antitachycardia pacing is not needed.	lla	U	157, 158
The subcutaneous ICD may be considered as a useful alternative to the transvenous ICD system when venous access is difficult, after the removal of a transvenous ICD for infections or in young patients with a long-term need for ICD therapy.	ШЬ	С	This panel of experts



Implant and Midterm Outcomes

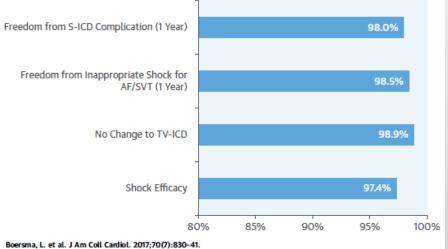
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Subcutaneous Implantable Cardioverter-Defibrillator Finding a Place in Sudden Cardiac Death Pre

Emerging or Emerged?*

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Based this and other studies. on complication and efficacy rates with the S-ICD support the consideration of this device in any patient who only requires a single-chamber device and does not need bradycardia pacing at the time implantation, CRT, or ATP. Perhaps we should no longer consider the S-ICD as a novel or emerging technology, but as a viable alternative for many patients.

2017 AHA/ACC/HRS GUIDELINES

11.1. Subcutaneous Implantable Cardioverter-Defibrillator

	Recommendations for Subcutaneous Implantable Cardioverter-Defibrillator			
Refer	References that support the recommendations are summarized in Online Data Supplement 55.			
COR	LOE	Recommendations		
1	B-NR 1. n patients who meet criteria for an ICD who have inadequate access or are at high risk for infection, and in whom pacing for both or VT termination or as part of CRT is neither needed nor ant subcutaneous implantable cardioverter-defibrillator is recommended.			
lla	B-NR	 In patients who meet indication for an ICD, implantation of a subcutaneous implantable cardioverter-defibrillator is reasonable if pacing for bradycardia or VT termination or as part of CRT is neither needed nor anticipated (1-4). 		
III: Harm	B-NR	 In patients with an indication for bradycardia pacing or CRT, or for whom antitachycardia pacing for VT termination is required, a subcutaneous implantable cardioverter-defibrillator should not be implanted (1-4, 6-8). 		

Recommendation-Specific Supportive Text:

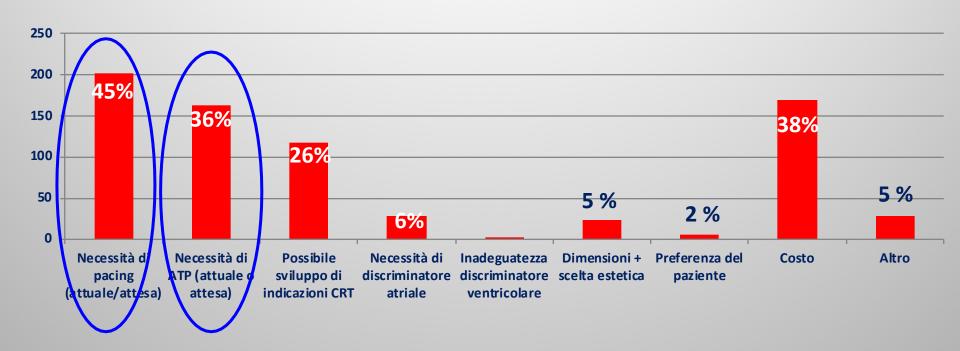
S-ICD preferred in patients at high risk of infection:

- prior device infection
- ESRD
- diabetes mellitus
- chronically immunosuppressed

The Italian subcutaneous implantable cardioverter-defibrillator survey: S-ICD, why not?

2016

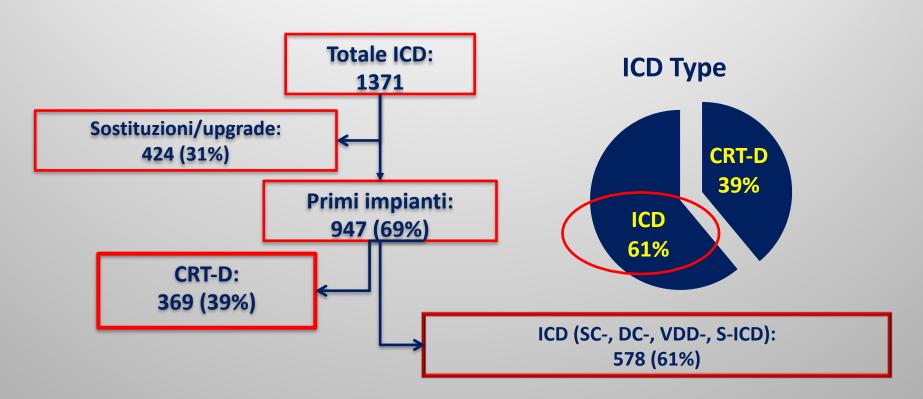
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Result From AIAC Survey

Survey in sintesi	
CENTRI partecipanti	33
>50 primi impianti/anno	24 (73%)
Durata media dell'osservazione	4 mesi
Totale procedure ICD nel periodo di osservazione	1371



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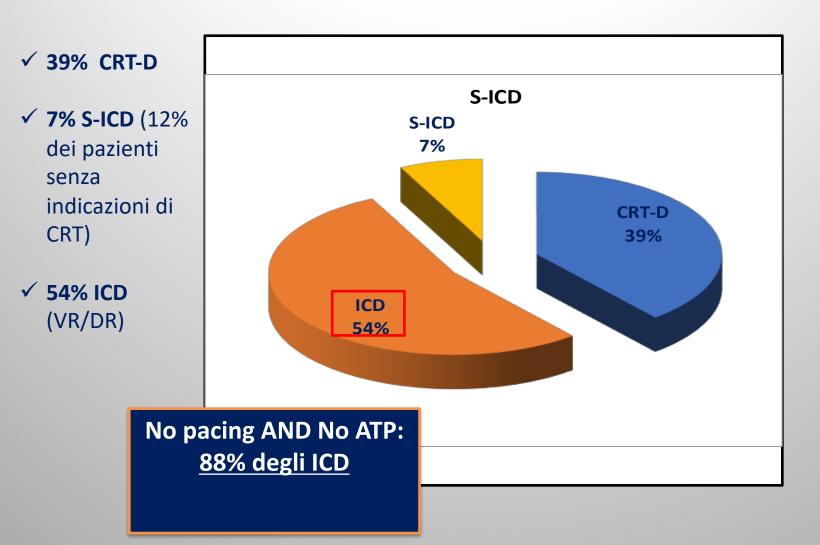
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with channelopathies. Moreover, although the most common reasons for preferring a T-ICD over an S-ICD were the need for permanent pacing or ATP therapy, at the time of ICD implantation, only 7% of patients fulfilled conditions for Class I recommendation for permanent pacing. An additional 4% of patients presented with a history of unstable MVT that might have been treatable with ATP. The vast majority of patients needing therapy for SCD prevention might therefore be suitable candidates for S-ICD implantation.

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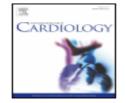
S-ICD: Why Not?

Conclusion From AIAC Survey





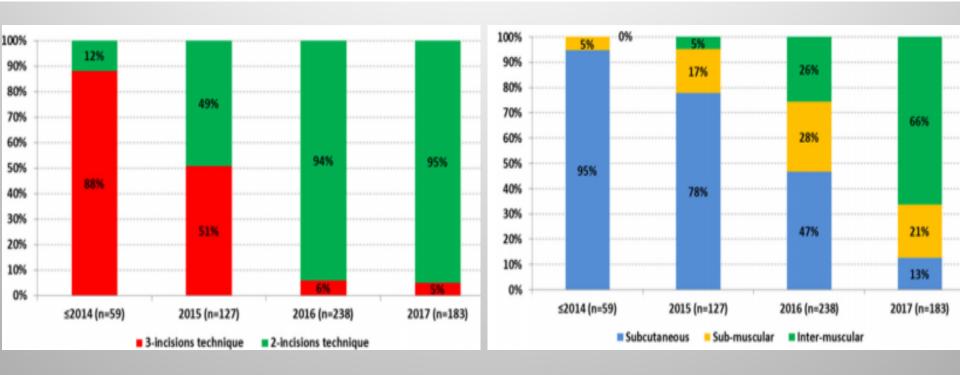
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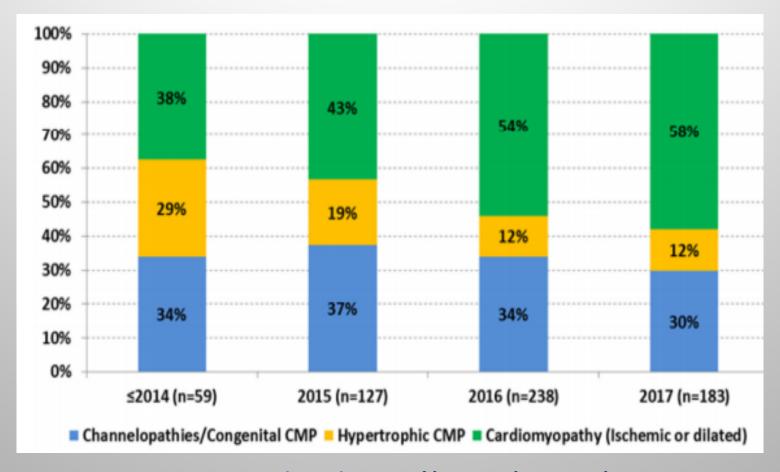


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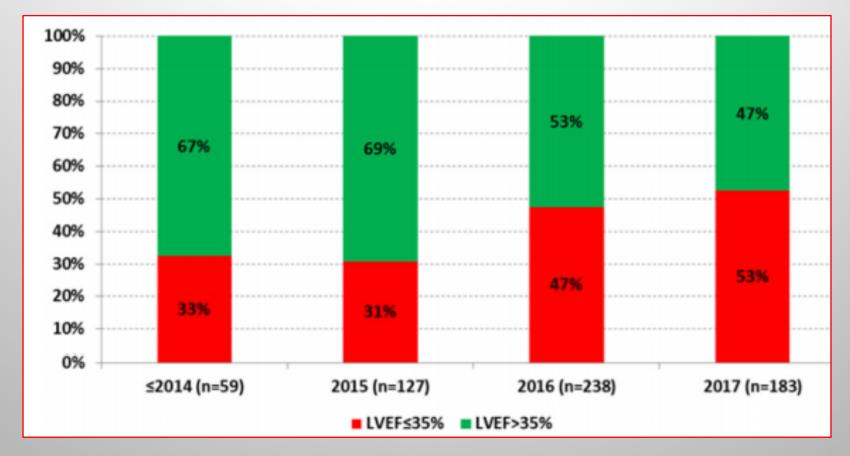


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ATP and ICD



What is the percentage of patients that are at risk for recurrent monomorphic VT?



On a yearly basis, **1.8% incidence** of Recurrent Monomorphic Ventricular Tachycardia, **for which ATP might be beneficial**¹

However, at 4-year follow-up:

Risk of recurrent MVT ¹	1.8% per year	
Risk of Transvenous Lead Failure Rate ²⁻⁴	3.0% per year	

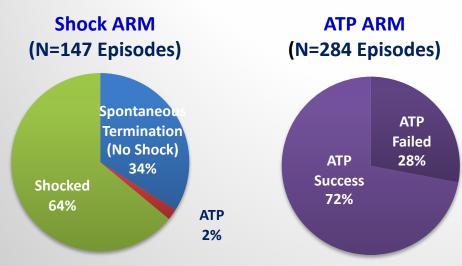
While 100% of patients will benefit from freedom of transvenous lead failure thanks to the S-ICD System⁵

Poole, et al. Who Should Receive the Subcutaneous Implanted Defibrillator? The Subcutaneous Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator (ICD)
 Should Be Considered in all ICD Patients Who Do Not Require Pacing. Circulation: Arrhythmia and Electrophysciology 2013; 6: 1236-1245.

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ATP and ICD



In the PAINFREE RX II trial¹, ATP was successful in 72% of the time for fast VT > 188bpm, but:

About 50% of episodes counted as 'ATP success' may have had terminated spontaneously (34% spontaneous conversions in shock arm)

46% of ATP success conversions were attributed to only 2 patients

In MADIT-RIT²:

- In the delayed therapy arm, ATP has shown an incidence of 4%
- 80% reduction in the need for ATP with delayed therapy
- No appropriate shock reductions with **lower ATP rates**

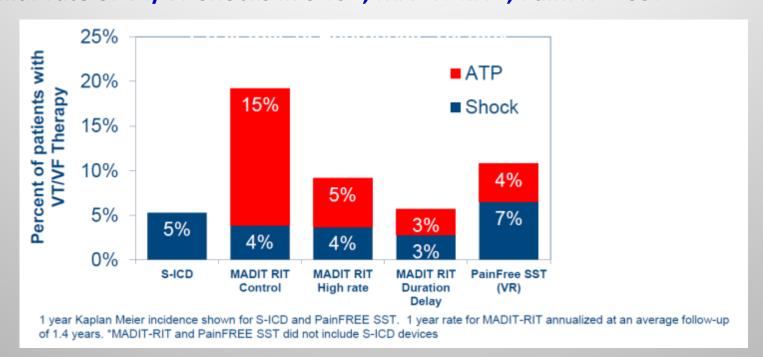
Table 2. First Occurrence, Any Occurrence, and Total Occurrences of Appropriate and Inappropriate Device Therapy According to P Value for High-High-Rate Rate Therapy vs Thorapy vs. Therapy Therapy Conventional Conventional Therapy Therapy (N = 484) First occurrence of therapy — no. of patients (%) Appropriate therapy Shock 20 (4) 22 (4) 17 (3) 0.68 Antitachycardia pacing 10 (2) -0.000 -0.00 inappropriate therapy 23 (4) 26 (5) <0.001 20 (4) 11(2) 13 (3) 0.12 0.28 Antitachycardia pacing 85 (37) 13 (3) UD.000 Any occurrence of therapy - no. of patients (%) Appropriate therapy 0.86 0.25 28 (5) 26 (5) Antitachycardia pacing 20 (4) -0.000 111 (22) nappropriate therapy Shock 14 (3) 0.03 -0.000 -0.00 Antitachycardia pacing Total occurrences of thorapy -- no. of occ Appropriate therapy -0.000 0.001 71 72 53 0.35 0.15 Shock Antitadycardia pacing 343 -0.000 -0.001 Inappropriate therapy 264 r(0.000 <0.001 0.000 < 0.001 < 0.001 Crude rates of the first occurrence of therapy and any occurrence of therapy were compared with the use of chi-square tests, and mean

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- 2. Moss, et al. Reduction in Inappropriate Therapy and Mortality through ICD programming. NEJM 376:24 2275-2283.

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If ATP prevents unnecessary shocks, why are appropriate shock rates the same?

- Appropriate shock rates similar with or without ATP
- MADIT-RIT found no difference in rate of appropriate shocks despite large differences in ATP delivery
- Similar rate of VT/VF shocks in S-ICD, MADIT RIT*, PainFREE SST*

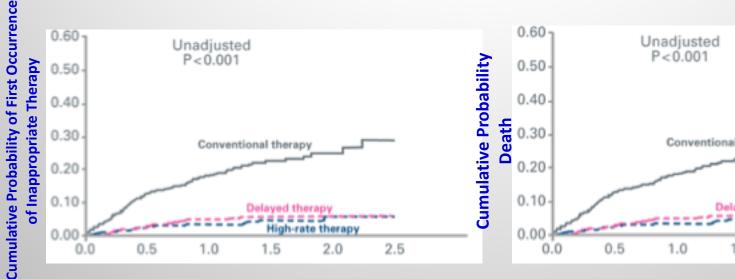


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MADIT RIT trial: ATP

Indiscriminate device programing is associated with higher IAT rates (75%) and increased mortality (50%)¹





Years of Follow-up

~75% reduction in 1st inappropriate therapy

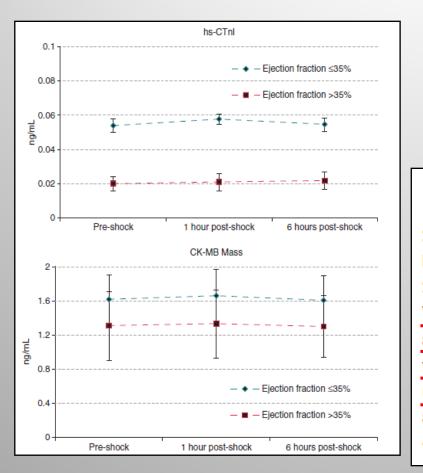
Years of Follow-up

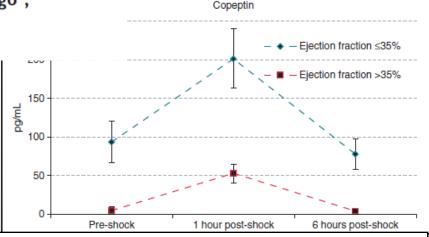
~50% reduction in all-cause mortality due to DELAYED therapy

Effects of defibrillation shock in patients implanted with a subcutaneous defibrillator: a biomarker study

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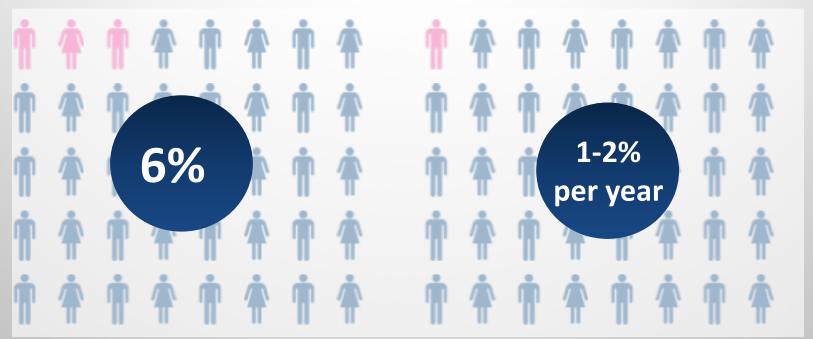
Serum levels of biomarkers of myocardial damage were not found to be elevated after high-energy DFT in patients who had undergone S-ICD device implantation, regardless of their ejection fraction value. We did not find a stable increase in haemodynamic stress biomarkers after high-energy DFT. Our prospective observational study is the first to suggest that S-ICD DFT does not cause acute myocardial injuries in humans. Further studies are necessary to confirm our results and to directly compare S-ICD with transvenous ICD in terms of the damage caused by DFT.



Brady Pacing

What is the percentage of patients with brady pacing need at implant?

What is the percentage of patients develop brady pacing need after implant?



Brady Pacing need at implant is low²

Brady Pacing developed after implant is very low¹, especially in patients with normal PR interval (≤ 200ms) [MADIT II, SCD-HeFT¹]

In the POOLED Data Analysis, only 1 patient (0.1%) out of 889 developed a Brady pacing need that led to S-ICD explant³.

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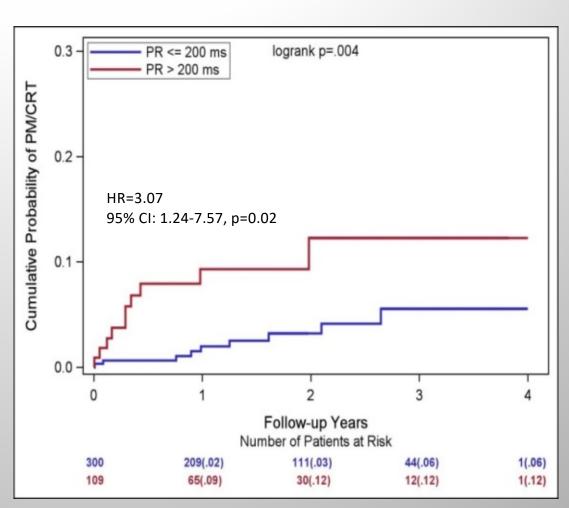
Kutyifa. et al. The Need for Pacing in patients who qualify for and ICD: Clinical Implications. ESC abstract 2014

Predictors of Bradycardia Pacing Need Development?

- 458 pts from MADIT II control arm
- 20 month median follow-up

Baseline PR interval >200 ms significant predictor of subsequent PM/CRT implantation

- Total PM rate is ~2% per year
- Need for PM in MADIT-II pts is low, especially in those with normal PR interval (≤ 200ms)



Kutyifa V. Presented at ESC 2014; Abstract P434

Has DR ICD a better AF/SVT discrimination?

Answer: No, there is no proof that DR ICDs have better discrimination.

Moreover, from the START study:

START study: A Head-To-Head Comparison on Bench testing

- Simultaneous recordings of surface and intra-cardiac signals of induced atrial (n=50) and ventricular (n=46) arrhythmias
- Direct comparison of arrhythmia classification by the S-ICD system and 3 TV-ICD systems

	Single Chamber	Dual Chamber	S-ICD System
Appropriate Shock for VF/VT	99.3%	100%	100%
Appropriately withheld for AF/SVT	76.7%	68%	98%

- Pooled results from 3 manufacturers with devices programmed in single chamber or dual chamber mode. Devices: BSC Teligen DR, MDT Secura VR and Virtuoso DR, and SJM Atlas II+HF.
- Matched dual zone configurations (VT≥170 bpm; VF≥240 bpm)

S-ICD - Price

A propensity matched case-control study comparing efficacy, safety and costs of the subcutaneous vs. transvenous implantable cardioverter defibrillator

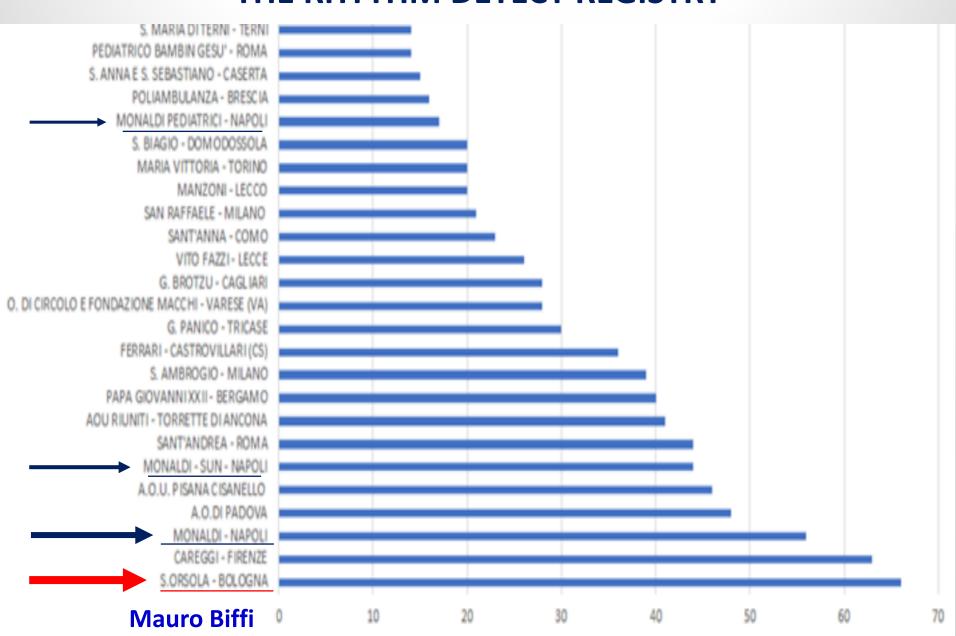


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5. Conclusion

Device-related complication rates associated with TV-ICDs are higher than that of S-ICDs. There is no significant difference in inappropriate shock rates between these two groups. Despite there being a significant difference in unit cost of the S-ICD, overall S-ICD costs may be mitigated versus TV-ICD over a longer period of follow-up. This will need to be further evaluated in a randomized controlled study.

ARRHYTHMIAS DETECTION IN A REAL WORLD POPULATION: THE RHYTHM DETECT REGISTRY



Take away messages



Sistema Venoso preservato:
No complicanze

Indicato per tutti i pazienti che necessitano di un ICD ma che non richiedono pacing o ATP Terapia efficace ed affidabile validata da numerosi studi clinici

Sistema alternativo agli ICD convenzionali che non preclude la terapia transvenosa se necessaria

Nessuna limitazione funzionale per i pazienti: migliore qualità di vita

Terapia consolidata e non inferiore all'ICD convenzionale

PROTEZIONE SENZA TOCCARE IL CUORE

