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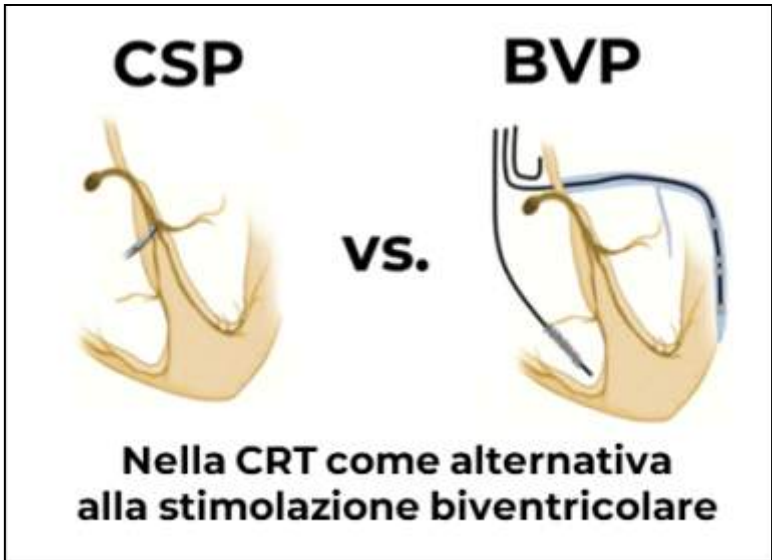
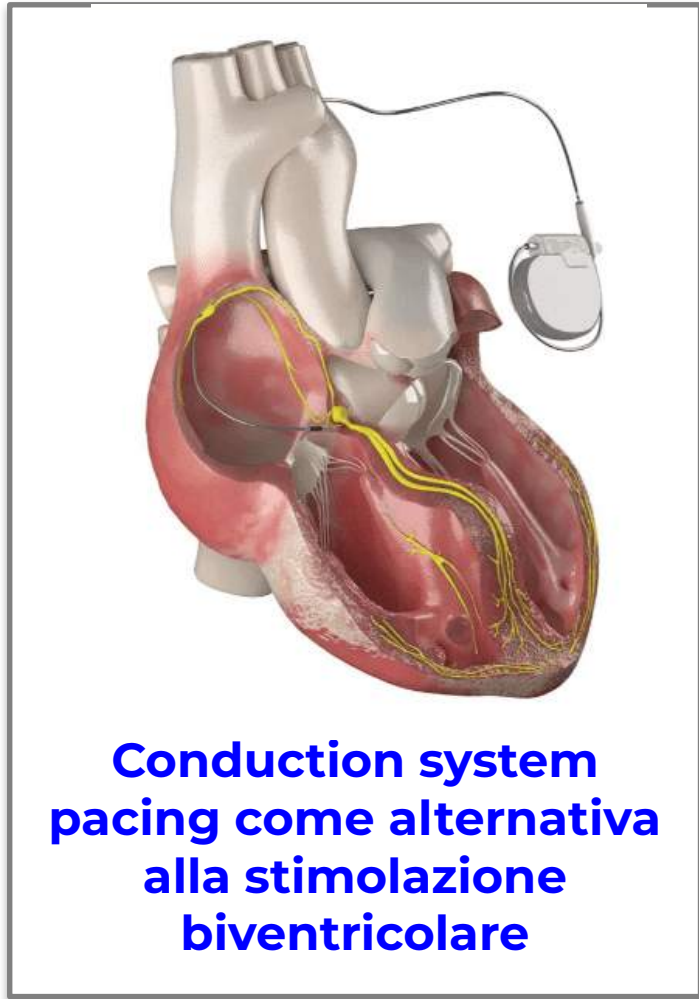
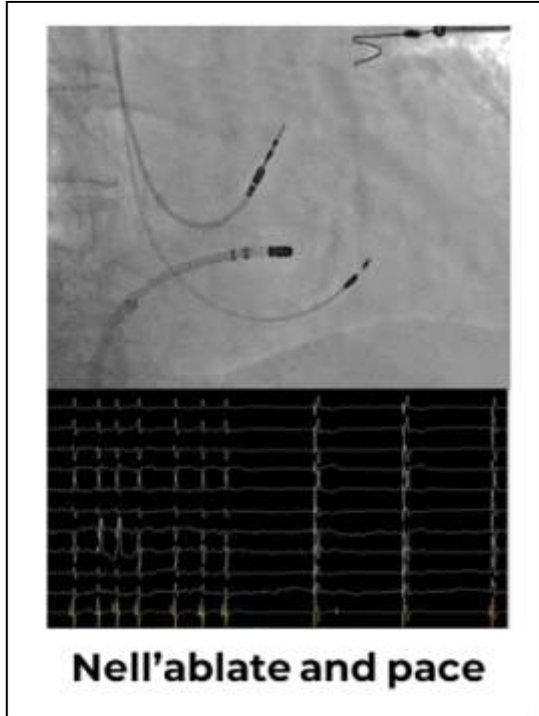


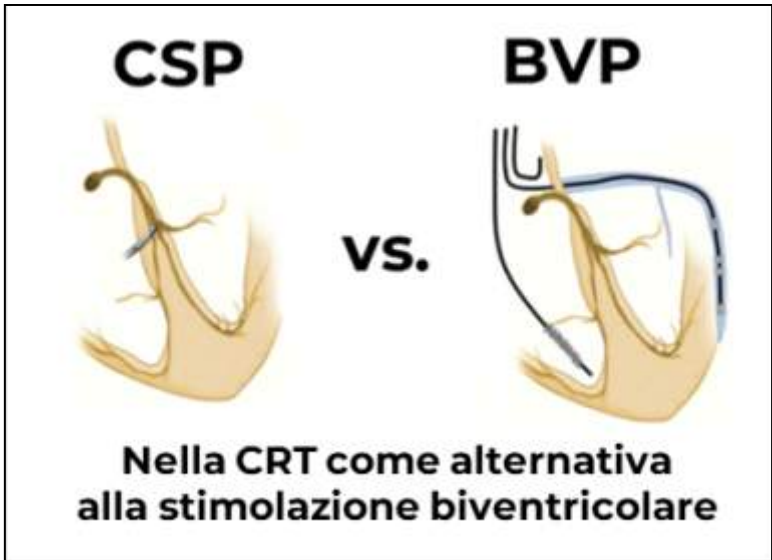
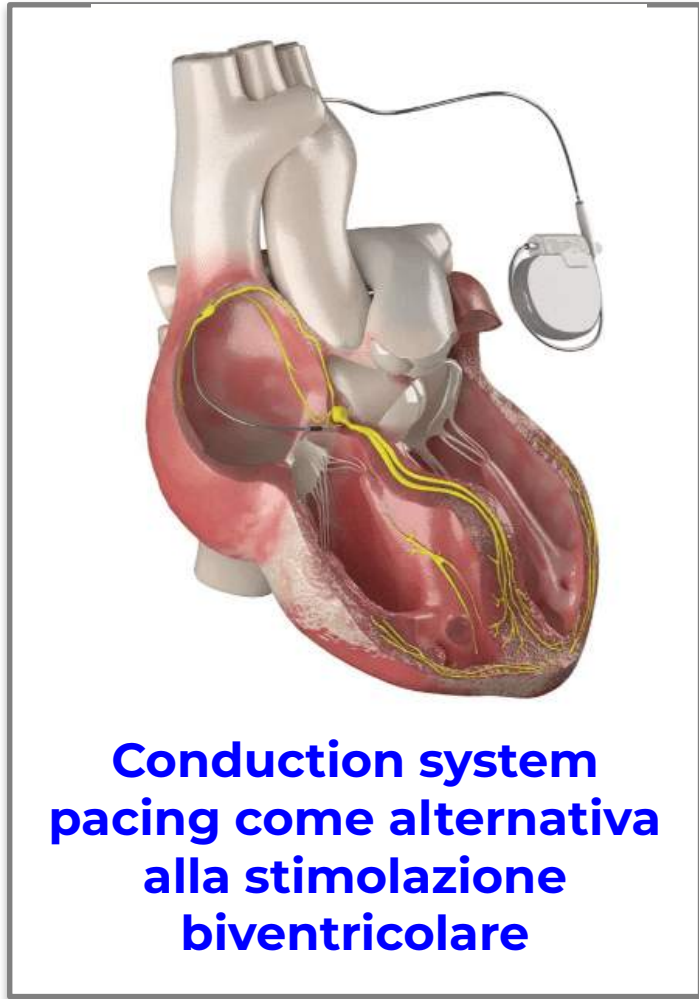
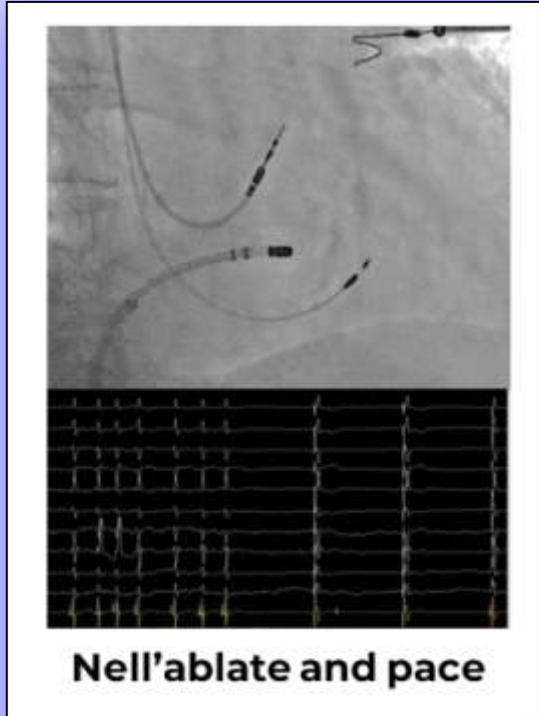
## Pacing del sistema di conduzione vs pacing biventricolare



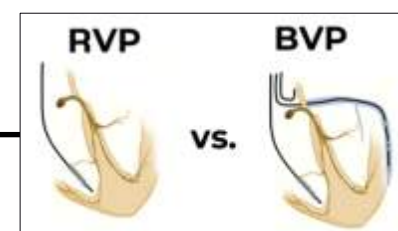
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# Ablate and pace: BVP vs. RVP

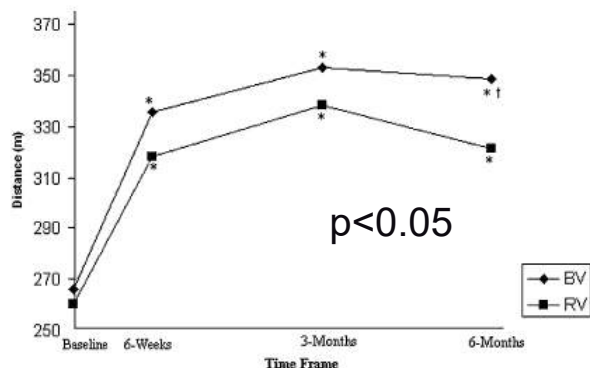


## PAVE study

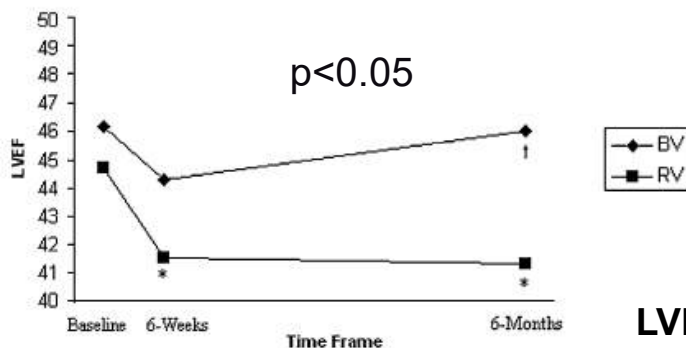
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### Left Ventricular-Based Cardiac Stimulation Post AV Nodal Ablation Evaluation (The PAVE Study)

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Six Minute Walking Test



LVEF

## APAF trial

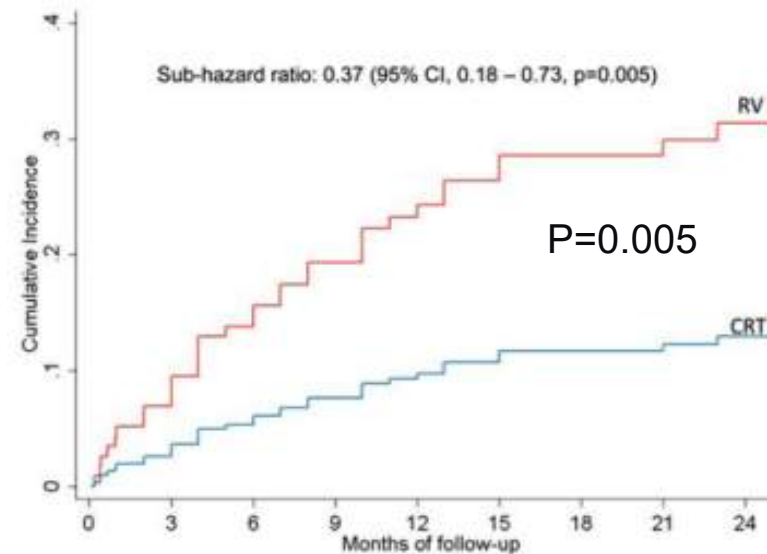
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CLINICAL RESEARCH  
 Arrhythmias

### Cardiac resynchronization therapy in patients undergoing atrioventricular junction ablation for permanent atrial fibrillation: a randomized trial

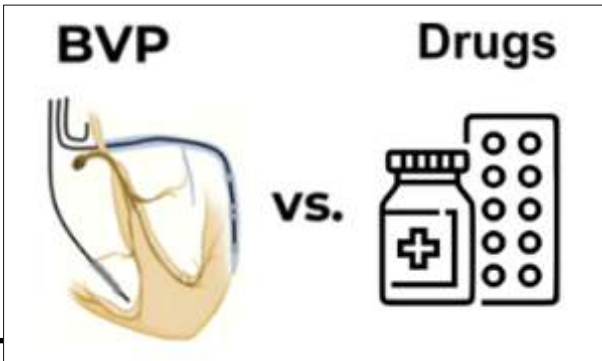


Primary composite endpoint: Death for HF or Hospitalization for HF or Worsening HF



# Ablate and pace con BVP vs. terapia medica

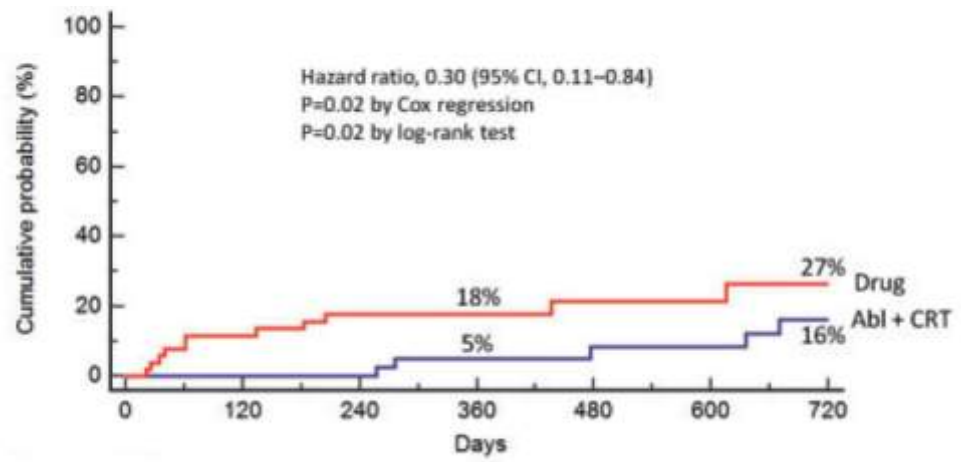
## APAF-CRT



### APAF-CRT morbidity trial

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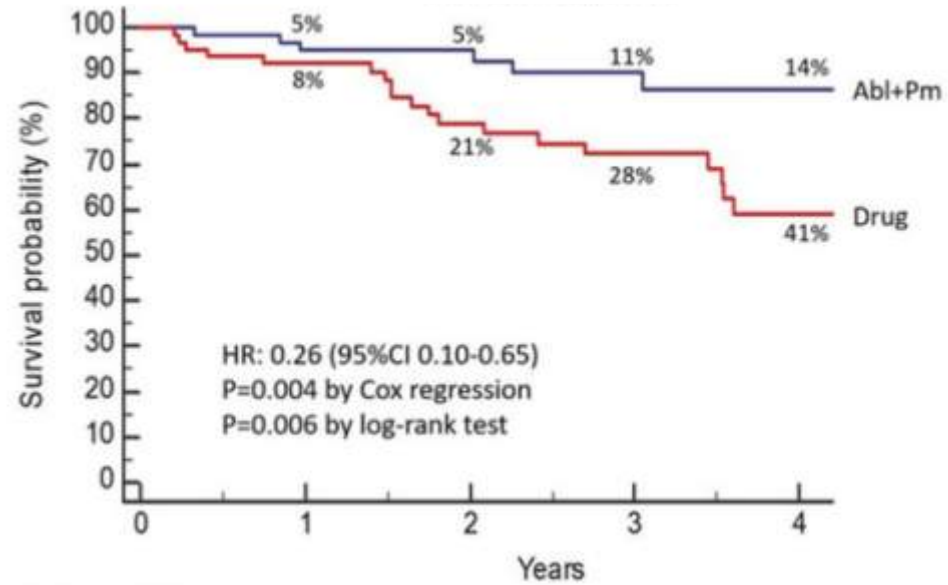
#### HF hospitalization



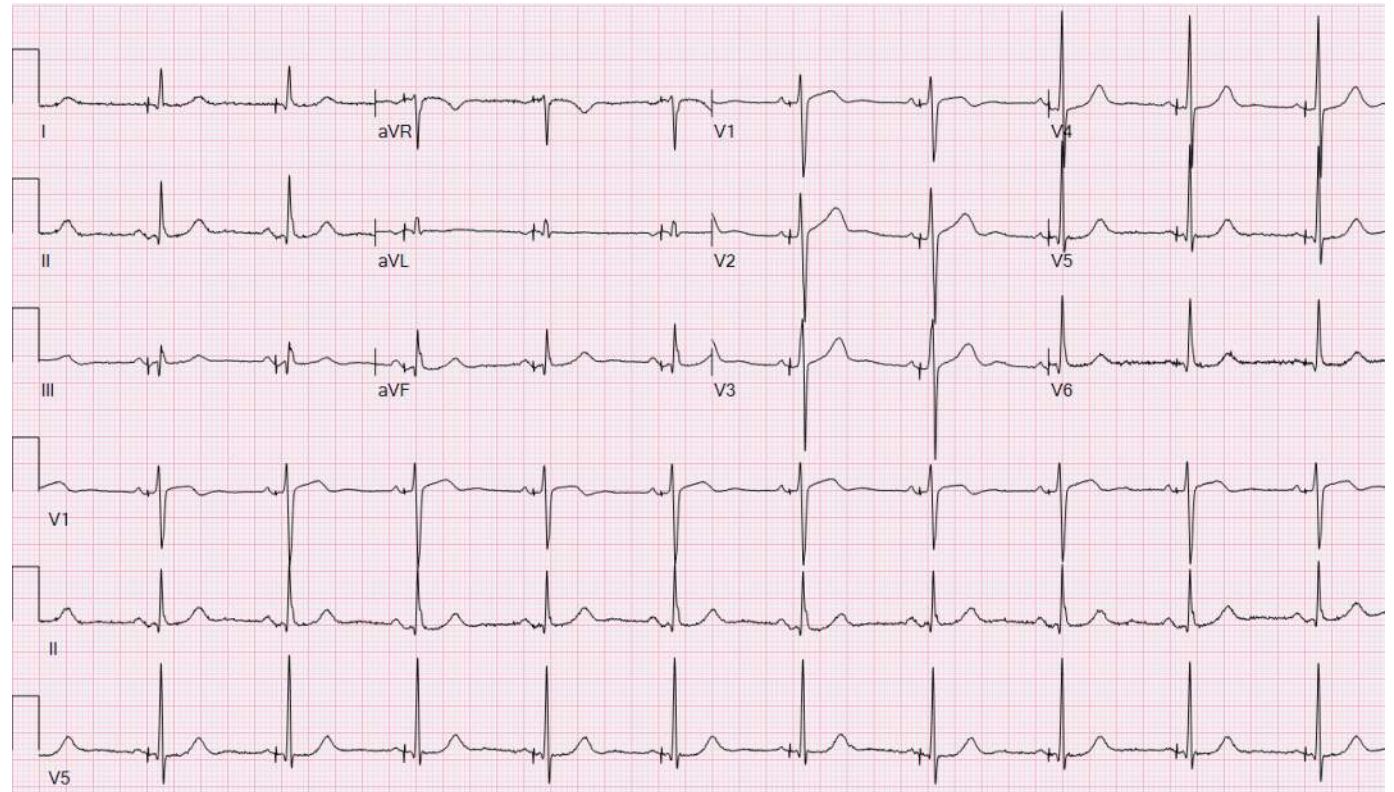
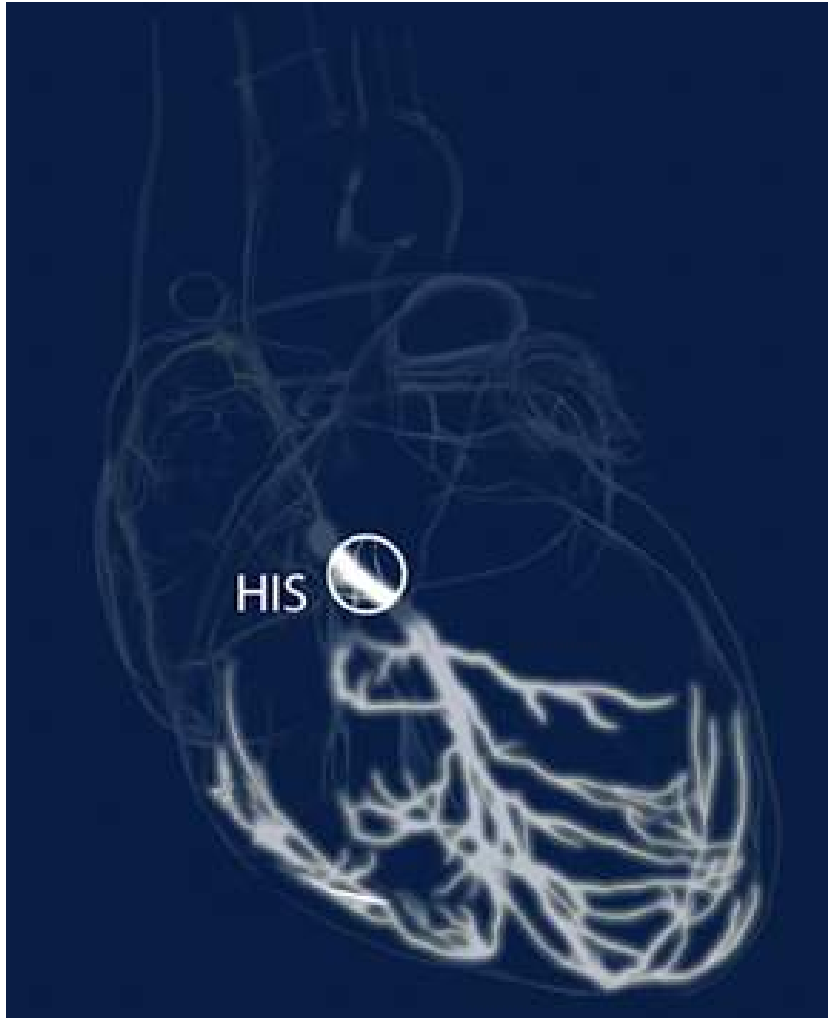
### APAF-CRT mortality trial

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#### All-cause death



# His Bundle Pacing: la stimolazione più fisiologica possibile



Mantenimento/ripristino del normale **sincronismo interventricolare (RV+LV)**  
e del **sincronismo intraventricolare sinistro**



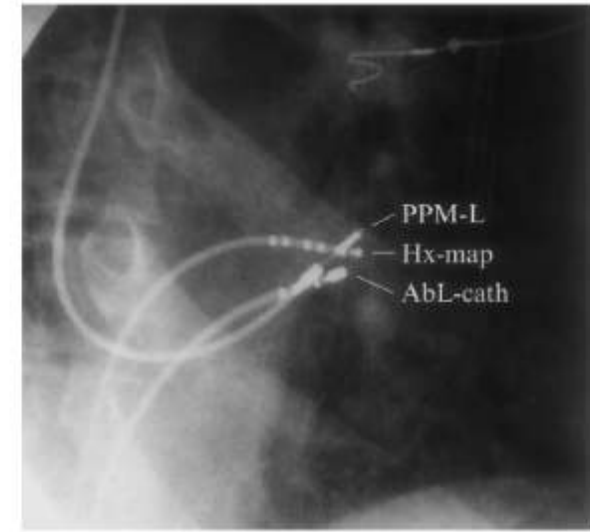
# Permanent, Direct His-Bundle Pacing

## A Novel Approach to Cardiac Pacing in Patients With Normal His-Purkinje Activation

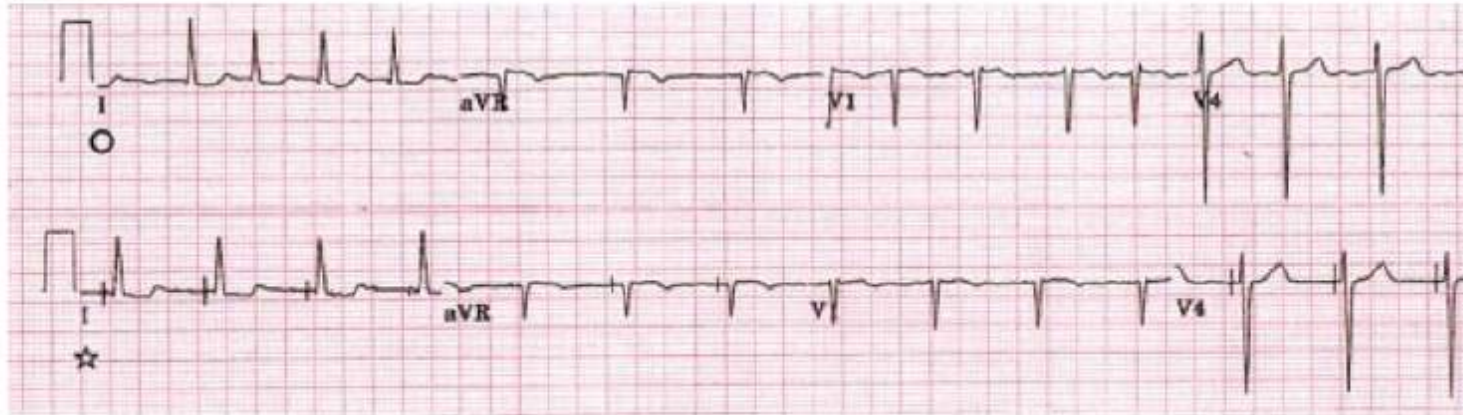
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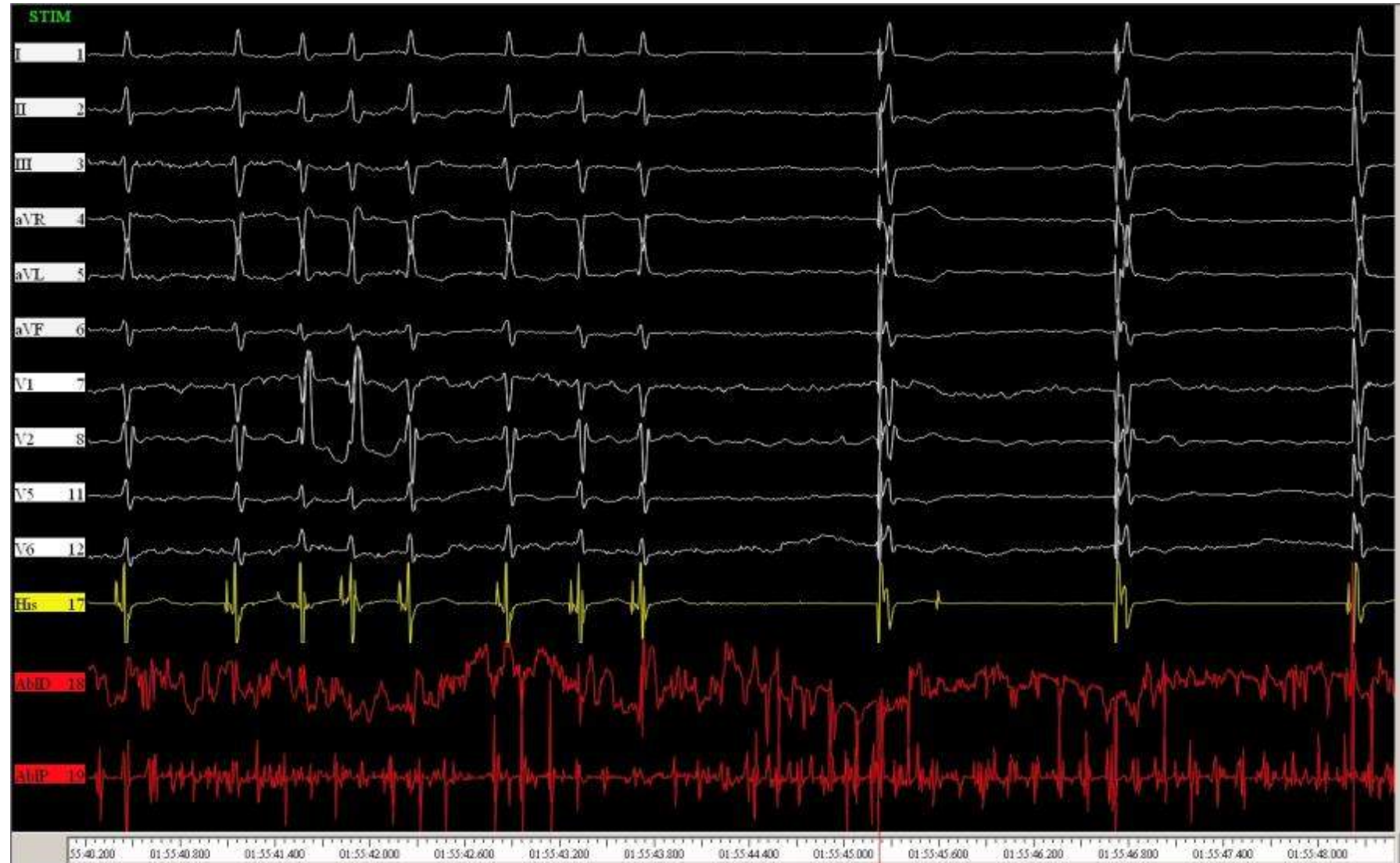
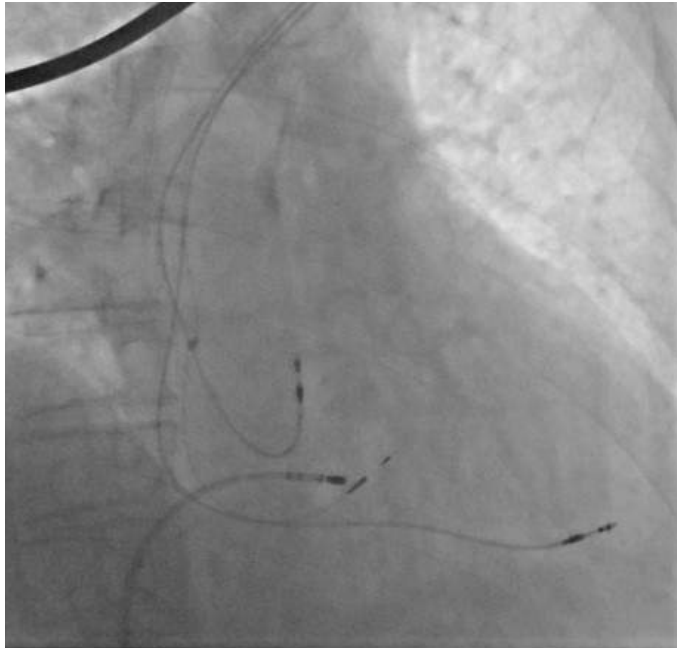
18 pts with QRS  $\leq 120$ ms, AF with tachycardiomyopathy scheduled for AVN ablation  
His pacing successful in 12/14 patients with DHBP with EP catheter  
Acute thresholds  $2.4 \pm 1.0$  V @0.5ms  
Mean procedure duration  $3.7 \pm 1.6$  hours  
1 exit block, 1 lead dislodgment



CPI 4269 Sweet tip lead with modified J stylet with posterior curve



# ABLATE AND PACE CON STIMOLAZIONE HISIANA

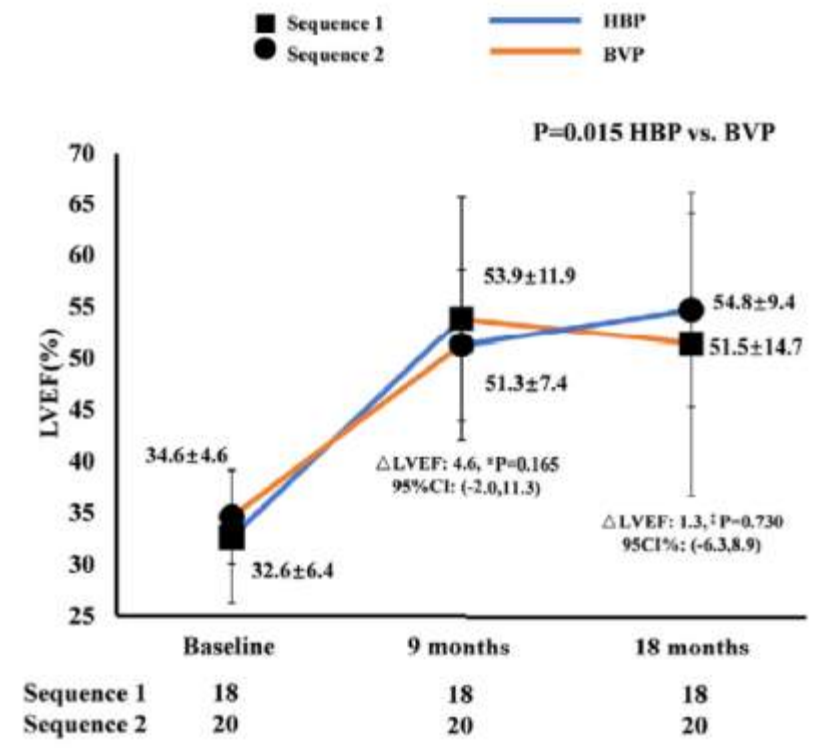
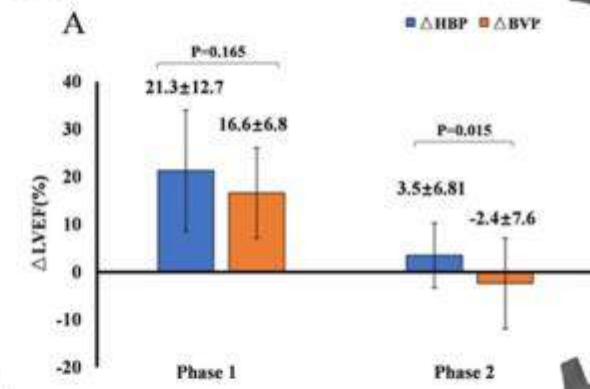
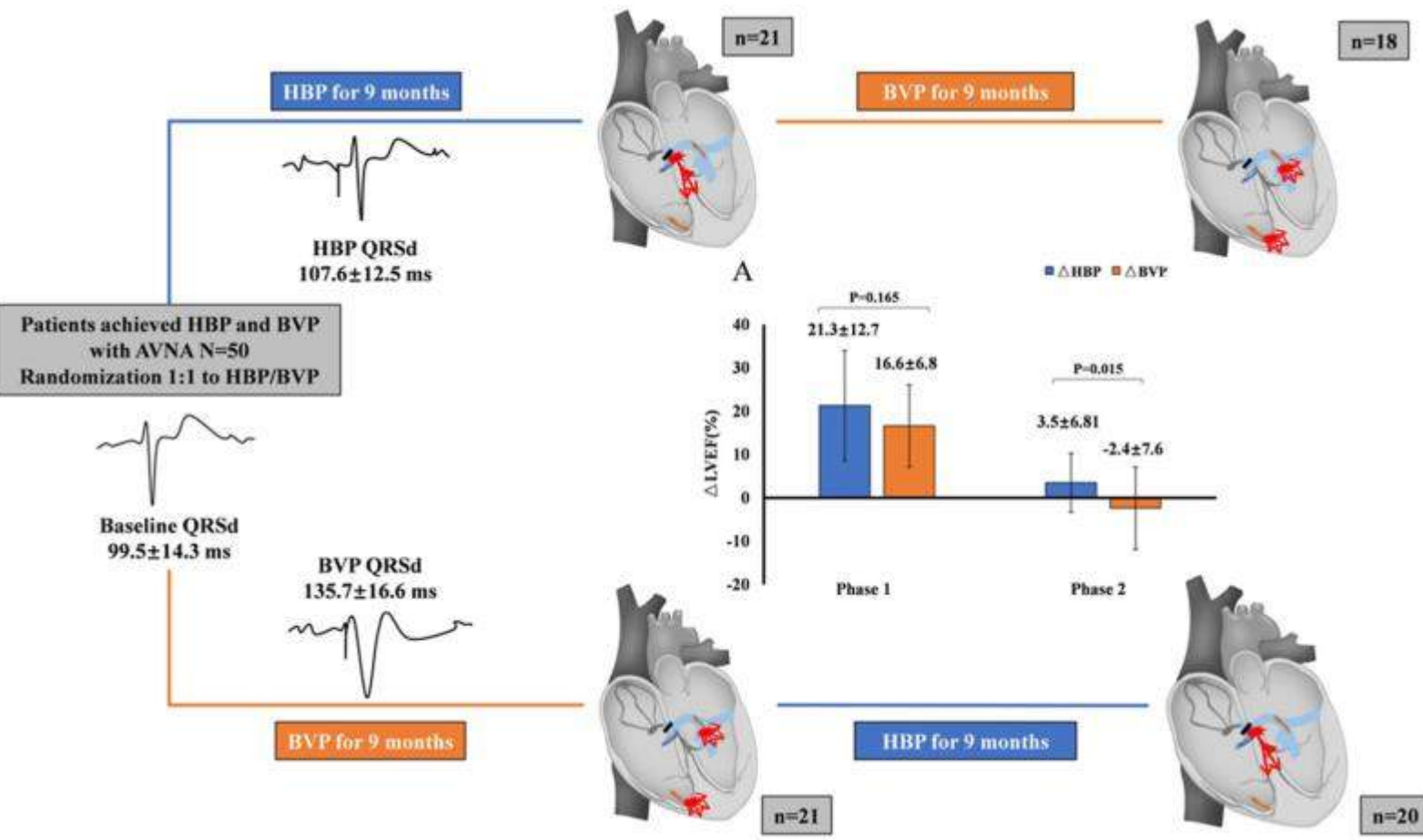




# Ablate and pace: HBP vs. BVP

His-bundle pacing vs biventricular pacing following atrioventricular nodal ablation in patients with atrial fibrillation and reduced ejection fraction: A multicenter, randomized, crossover study—The ALTERNATIVE-AF trial <sup>e</sup>

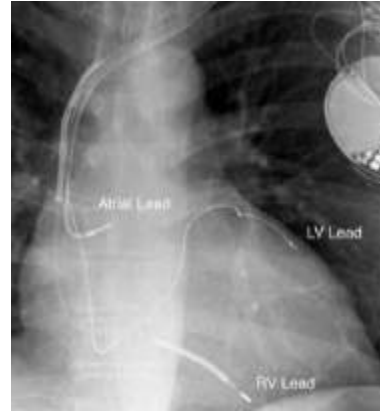
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# Ablate and pace: CSP vs. BVP



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## Ablate and pace: Comparison of outcomes between conduction system pacing and biventricular pacing

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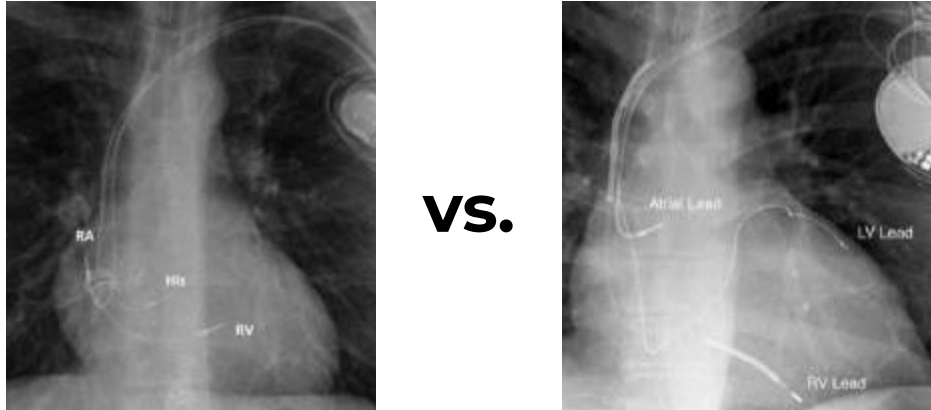
Palmisano P et al. Pacing Clin Electrophysiol. 2023;46:1258-1268.

### Procedural findings:

Parameters	BVP (n=263)	HBP (n=68)	LBBAP(n=42)	P value (BVP vs. HBP)	P value (BVP vs. LBBAP)	P value (BVP vs. LBBAP)
<b>Implantation</b>						
Procedure time in minutes, mean±SD	103.9±65.7	65.9±26.5	56.0±20.5	<0.001	<0.001	0.041
Fluoroscopy duration in minutes, mean±SD	23.5±28.5	17.3±22.2	10.2±7.4	0.096	0.003	0.048
<b>Patients receiving a PM</b>						
	<b>n=172</b>	<b>n=46</b>	<b>n=34</b>			
Type of device implanted						
Dual-chamber PM, n (%)	0 (0)	26 (56.5)	33 (97.1)	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Biventricular PM, n (%)	172 (100.0)	20 (43.5)	2 (5.9)	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Atrial lead implanted, n (%)	62 (36.0)	17 (37.0)	13 (38.2)	0.909	0.808	0.907
RV backup lead implanted, n (%)	-	46 (100.0)	18 (52.9)	-	-	<0.001
Total number of ventricular leads implanted, mean±SD	2.0±0.0	2.0±0.0	1.5±0.5	1.000	<0.001	<0.001
<b>Pacing parameters of CS/CSP lead at implantations</b>						
Pacing threshold in Volt, mean±SD	1.2±1.0	1.2±0.7	0.6±0.4	0.791	<0.001	<0.001
Pulse width in milliseconds, mean±SD	0.6±0.2	1.0±0.1	0.5±0.1	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001
Pacing impedance in Ohm, mean±SD	734.8±217.3	557.2±147.8	664.0±162.1	<0.001	0.044	<0.001



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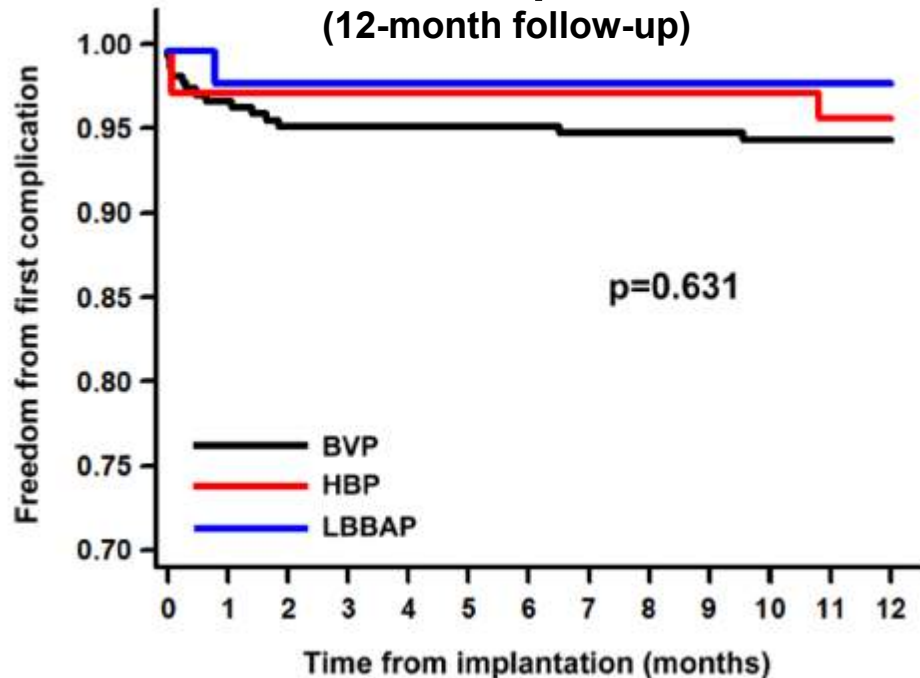
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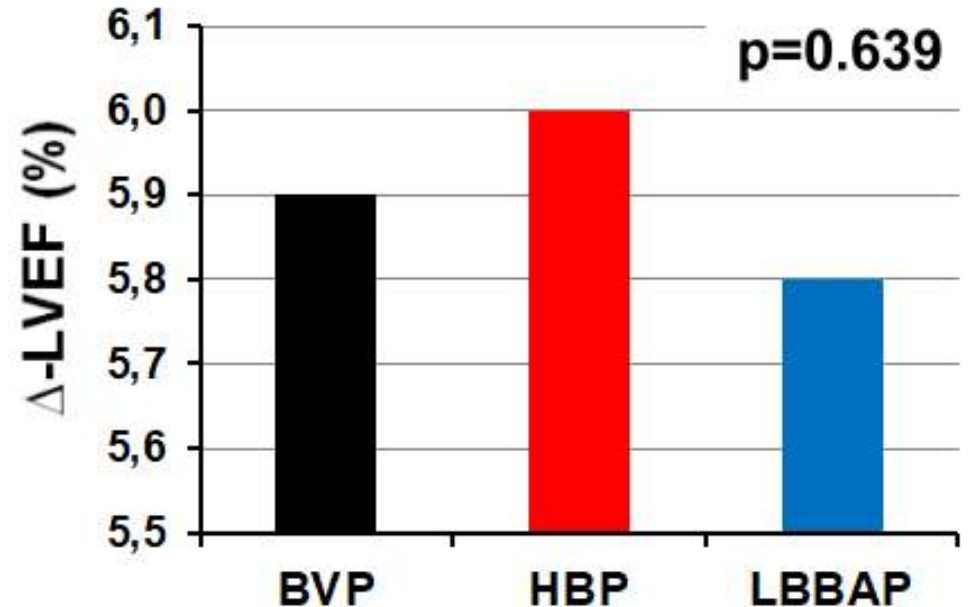
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**Risk of complications**  
(12-month follow-up)



**Extent of LVEF improvement**  
(12-month follow-up)



# Ablate and Pace con CSP: quando eseguire l'ablazione della giunzione AV?

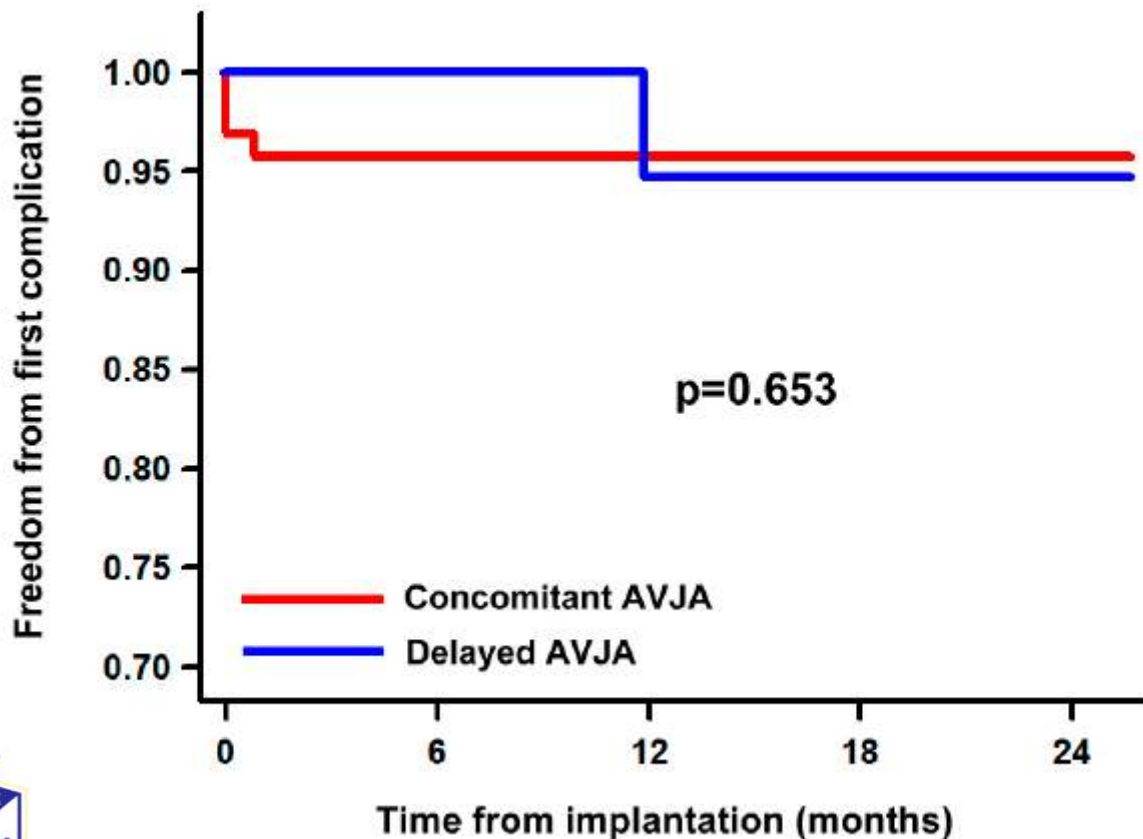
*Simultaneamente all'impianto vs. in differita*

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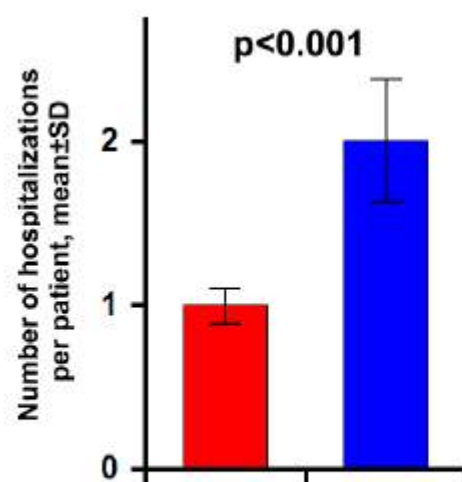
## "Ablate and Pace" with Conduction System Pacing: Concomitant versus Delayed Atrioventricular Junction Ablation

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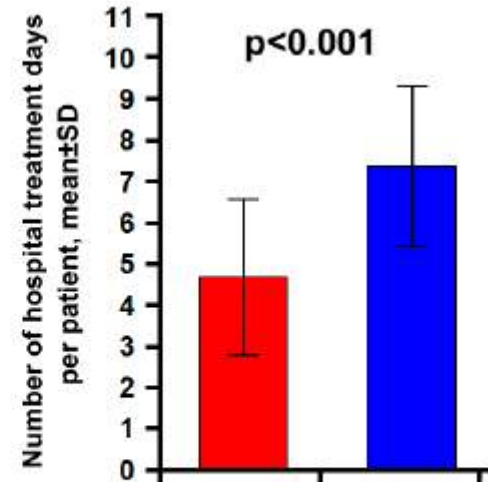
### Risk of complications (24-month follow-up)



### Hospitalizations



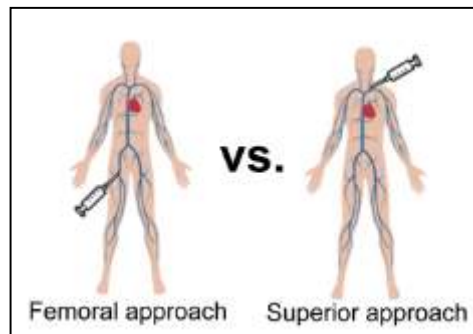
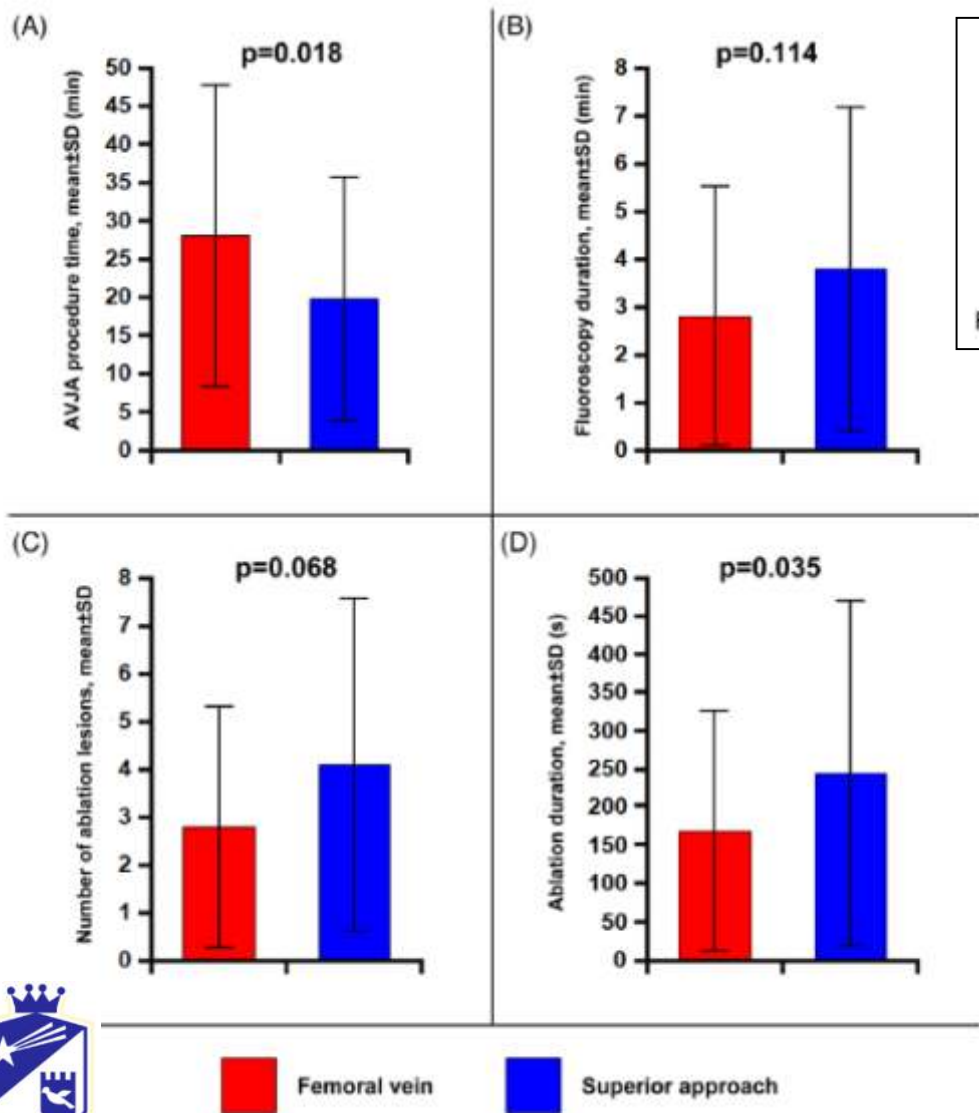
### No. of treatment days



Concomitant AVJA Delayed AVJA

# Ablazione della giunzione AV simultanea all'impianto: quale approccio utilizzare?

## Approccio femorale vs. Approccio superiore



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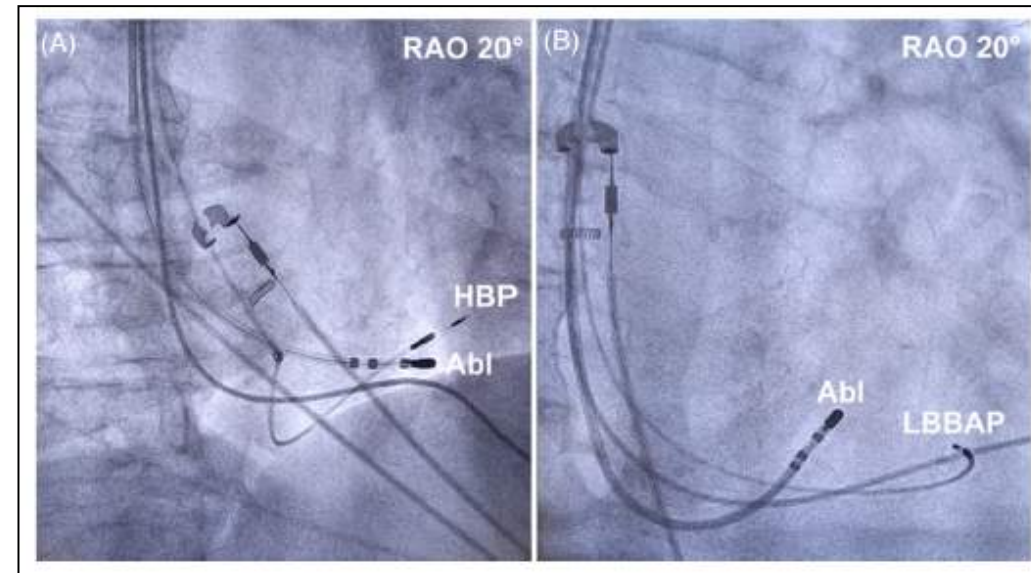
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### Superior approach from the pocket for atrioventricular junction ablation performed at the time of conduction system pacing implantation

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Parameters	Femoral vein (n = 69)	Superior approach (n = 50)	p
Time to ambulation from procedure completion in h, mean ± SD	19.8 ± 0.1	2.7 ± 3.2	<.001
Time to discharge from procedure completion in h, mean ± SD	27.1 ± 5.1	24.0 ± 2.7	<.001



# Ablazione della giunzione AV simultanea all'impianto con *approccio superiore*:

## *impatto sul carico di lavoro infermieristico e sulla soddisfazione del paziente*

Impact on nurse workload and patient satisfaction of atrioventricular junction ablation performed simultaneously with conduction system pacing using a superior approach from the pocket compared to the conventional femoral approach

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patients with symptomatic permanent atrial fibrillation undergoing simultaneous conduction system pacing and atrio-ventricular junction ablation



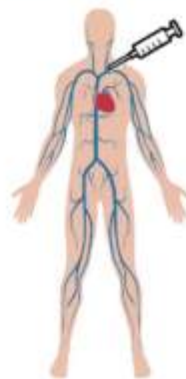
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Femoral venous access

AV junction ablation

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Superior approach via axillary or subclavian vein, from the pocket

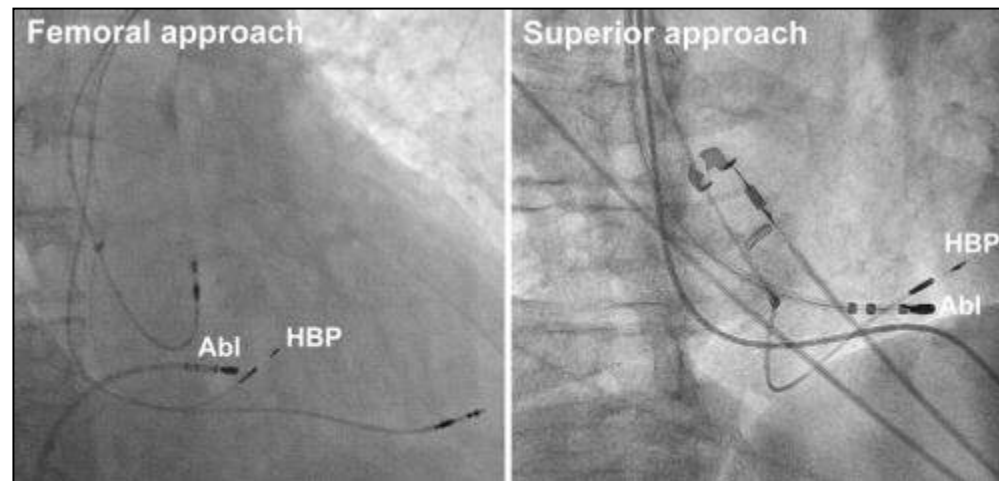


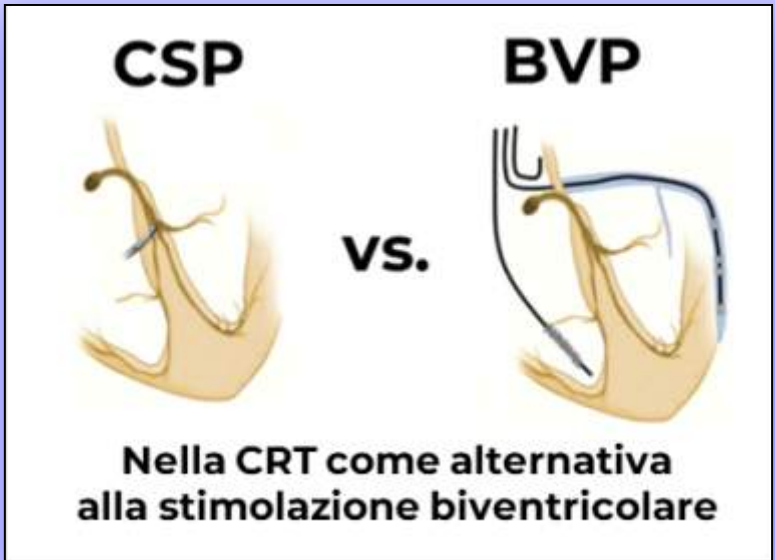
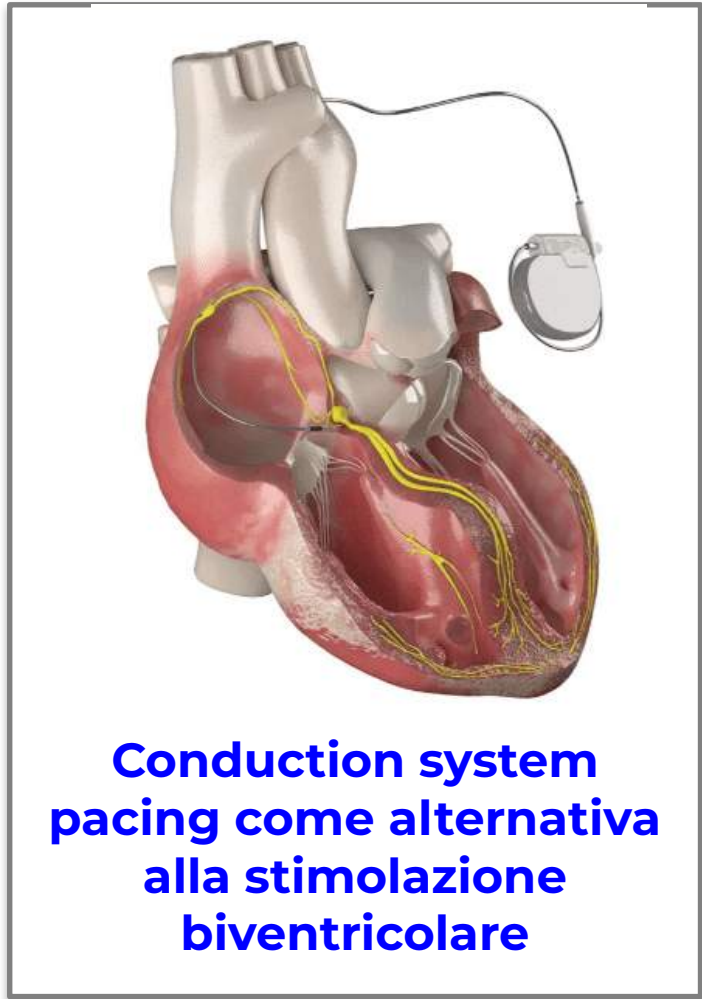
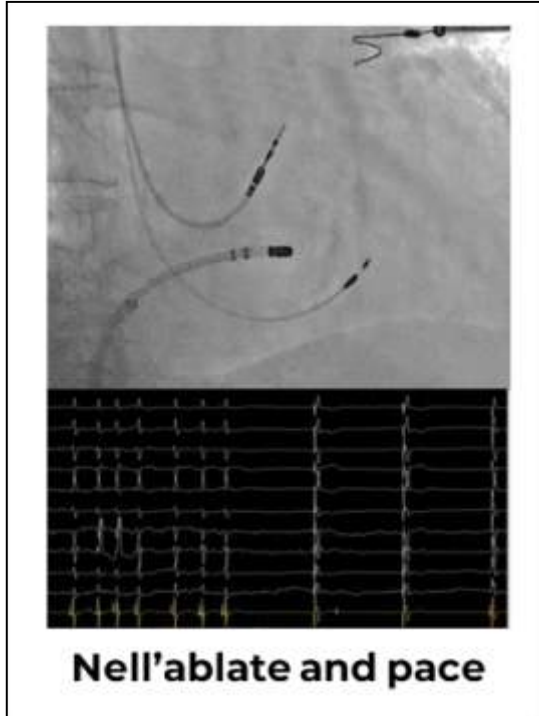
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The use of a superior approach for AV junction ablation is a valid alternative to conventional femoral access. Superior approach significantly reduces nurse workload, and is associated with greater patient satisfaction.

## Impact on nurse workload and patient satisfaction of atrioventricular junction ablation performed simultaneously with conduction system pacing using a superior approach from the pocket compared with the conventional femoral approach

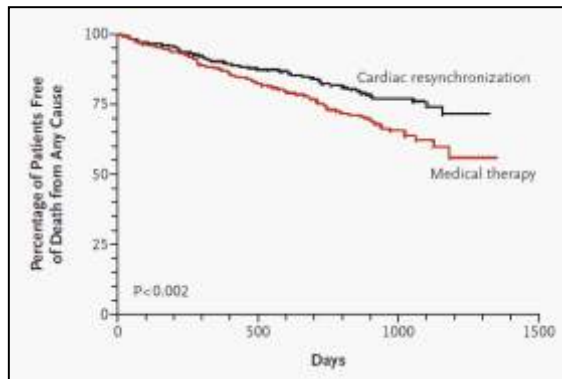
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# CARE-HF

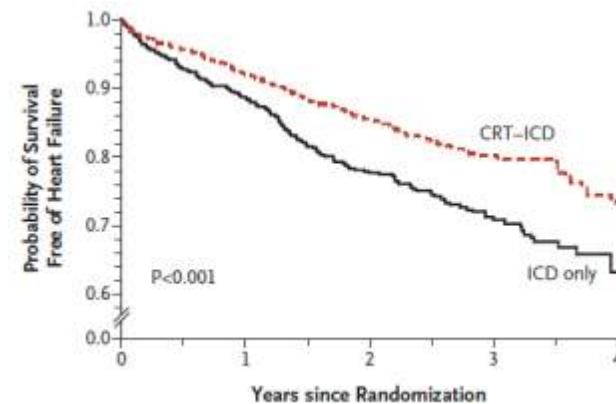
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**Riduzione della mortalità per ogni causa**

# MADIT-CRT

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**Riduzione delle ospedalizzazioni per scompenso**

## CRT by BVP in HFrEF with LBBB



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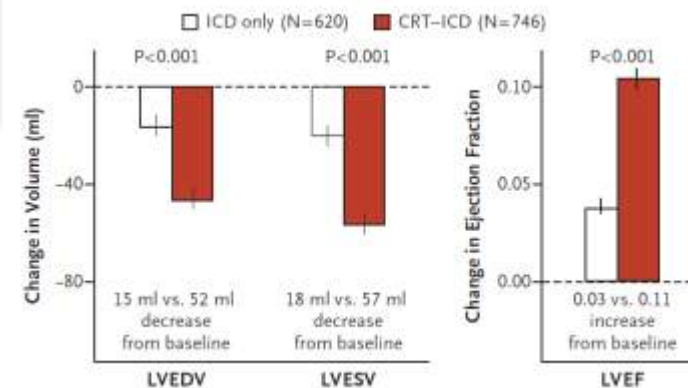
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**Miglioramento della classe funzionale**

# RAFT

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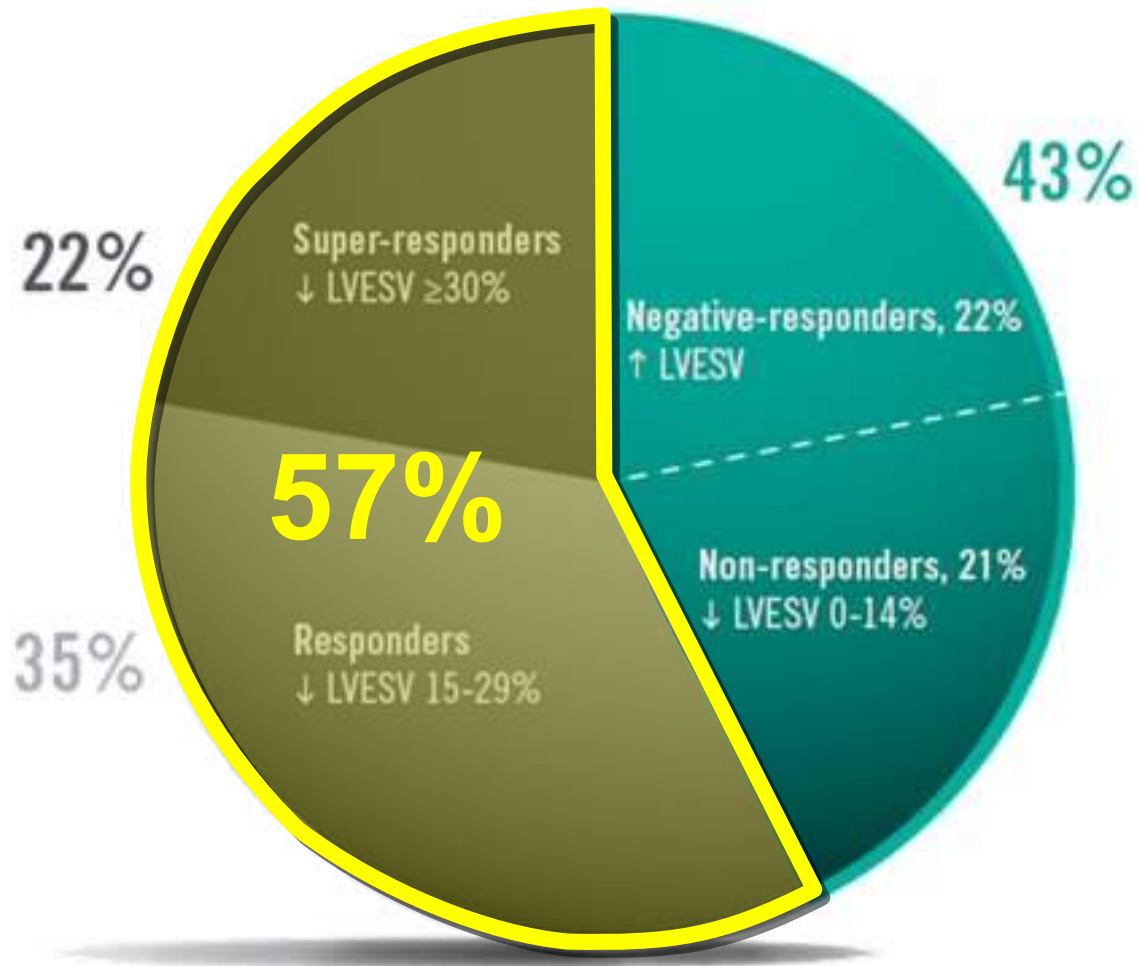


**Reverse remodeling del ventricolo sinistro**

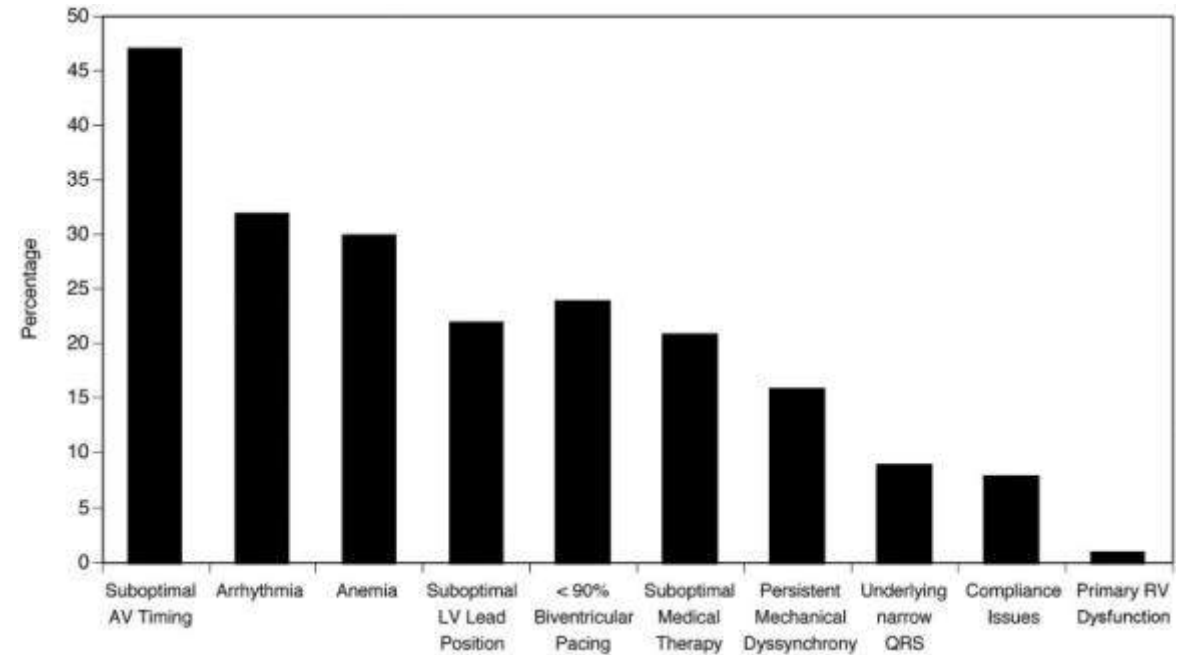




# CRT mediante stimolazione biventricolare: una terapia imperfetta



## Cause di mancata risposta alla CRT mediante stimolazione biventricolare



# CRT mediante stimolazione biventricolare: un percorso ad ostacoli non sempre semplice...



Stimolazione del nervo frenico

Soglie accettabili

Stabilità dell'elettrocatteter

Disponibilità di rami in zona target

Cannulazione del seno coronarico



**CSP**



**vs.**

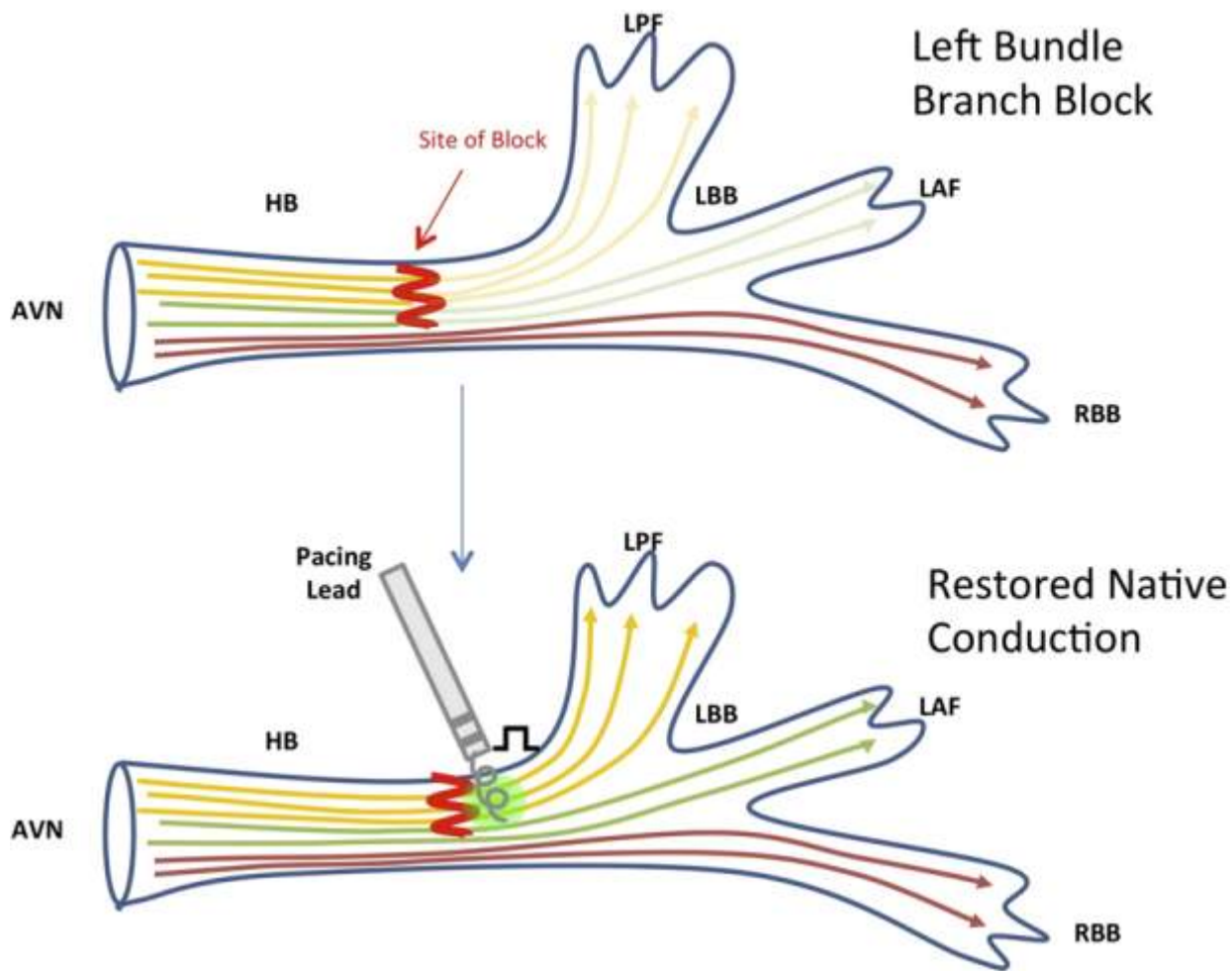
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***CSP come alternativa alla BVP  
nella CRT***

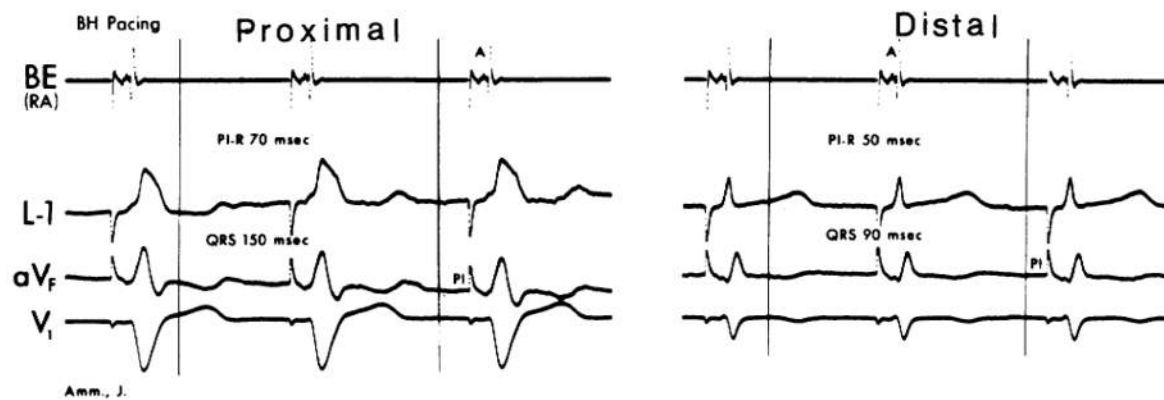
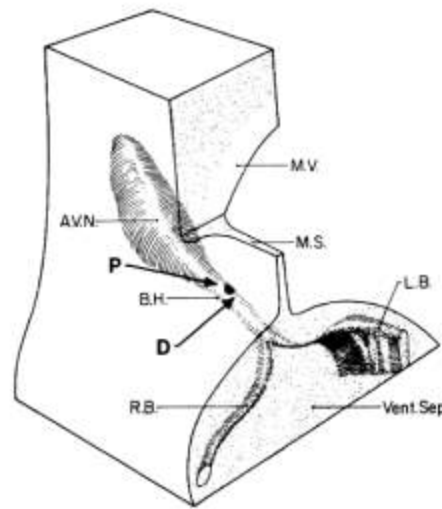


# Correzione del BBS mediante stimolazione del fascio di His

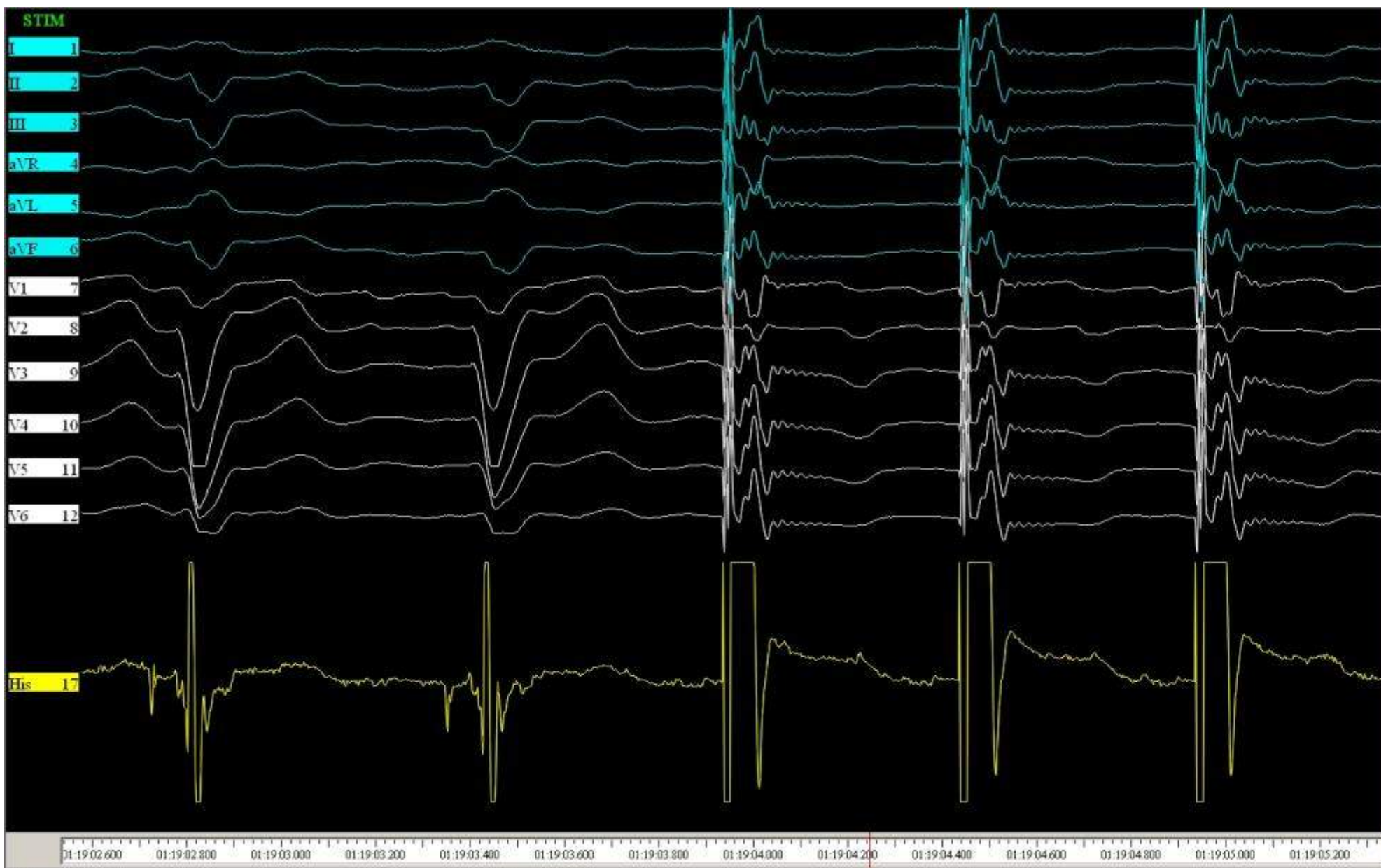


**Longitudinal Dissociation in the His Bundle**  
**Bundle Branch Block due to Asynchronous Conduction within the His Bundle in Man**

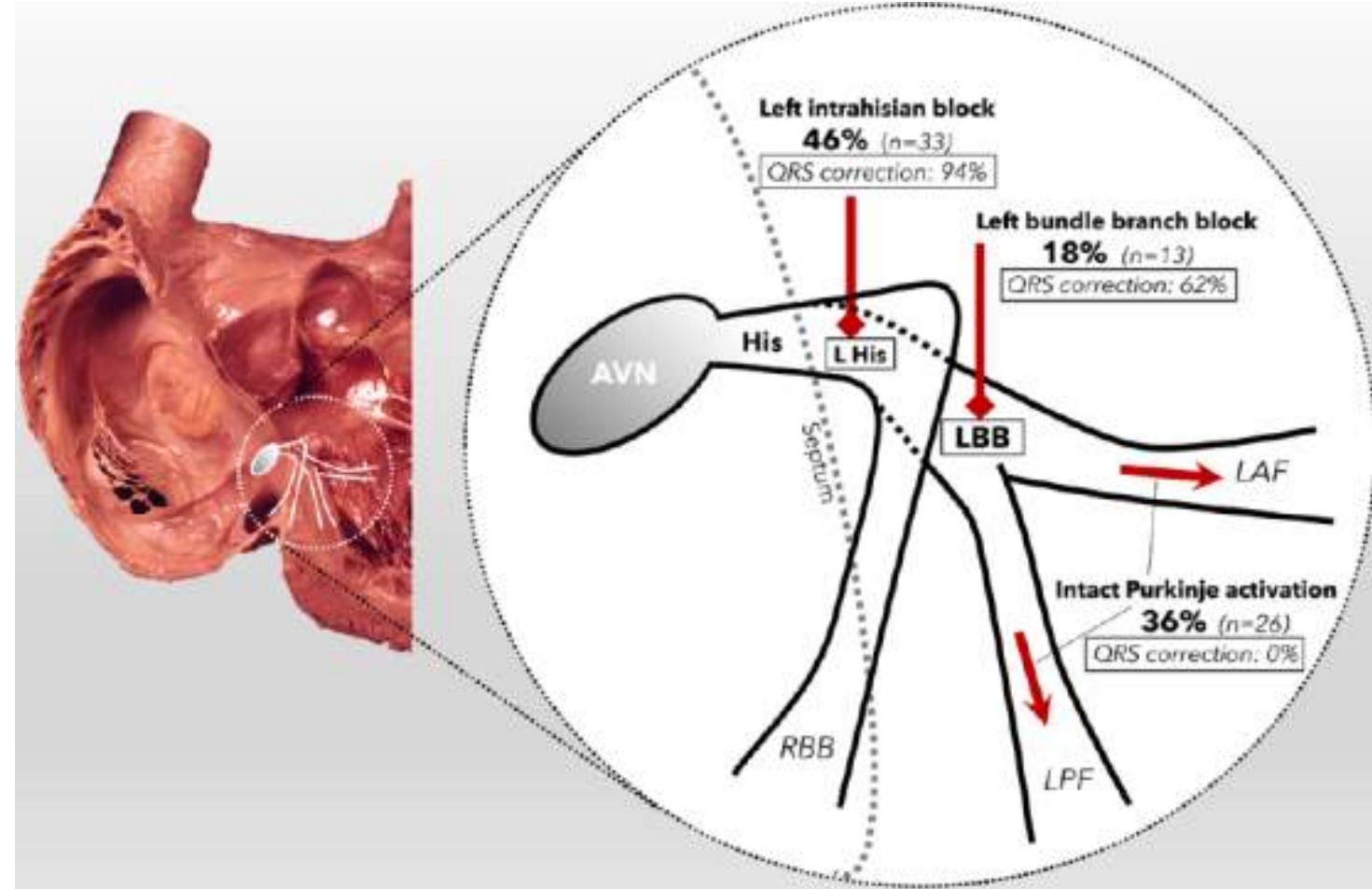
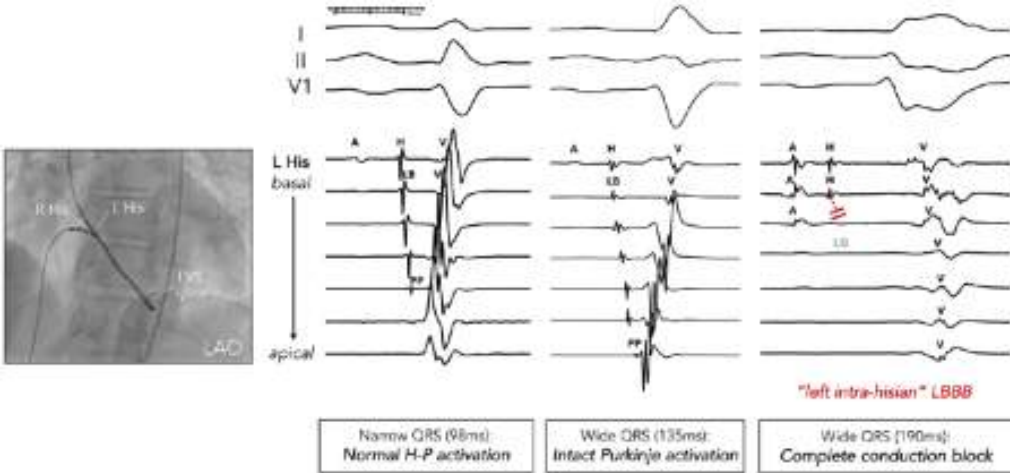
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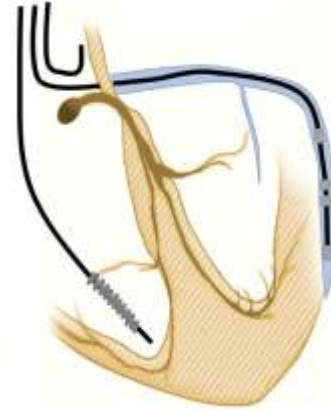


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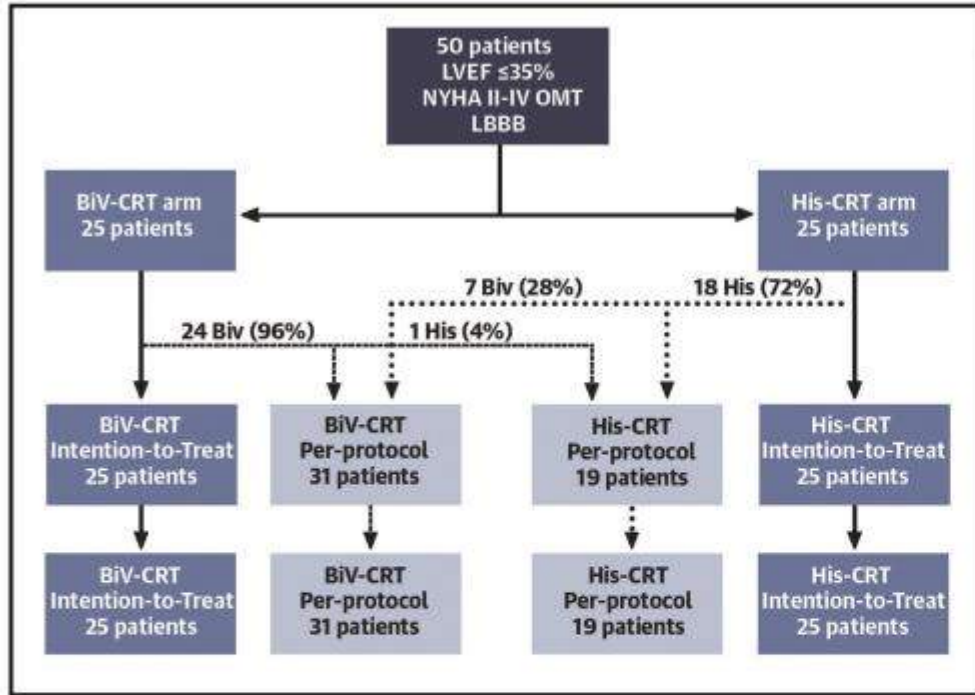
**BVP**



***CSP come alternativa alla BVP  
nella CRT:  
Efficacia***

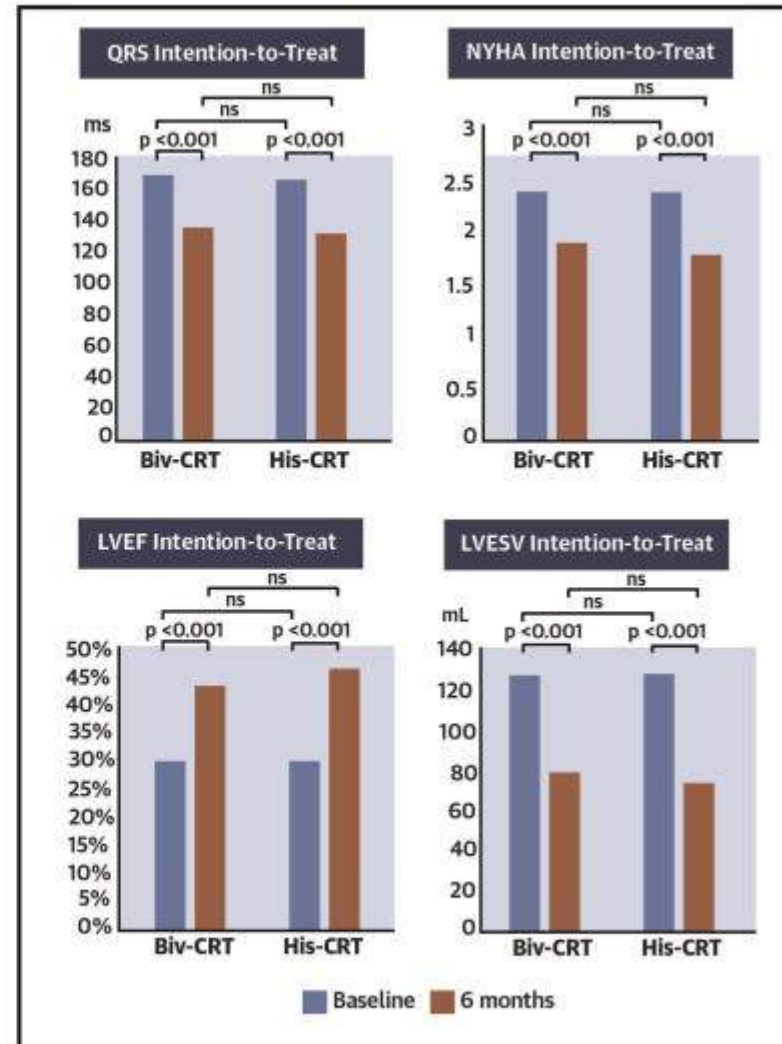


# HBP come alternativa al pacing biventricolare



Pacing Thresholds	Implantation (V at 1 ms dur)	6-month FU (V at 1 ms dur)
LV-leads (n = 31)	1.1 ± 0.7	1.5 ± 0.6*
His-leads (n = 19)	2.2 ± 1.2	2.4 ± 1.6*

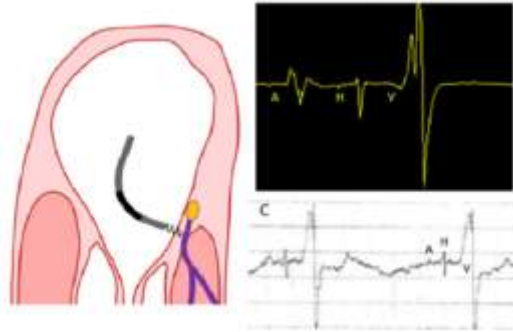
\* p < 0.05 baseline vs. 6-months FU    +p < 0.05 His-leads vs. LV-leads





# CSP: modalità di stimolazione a confronto

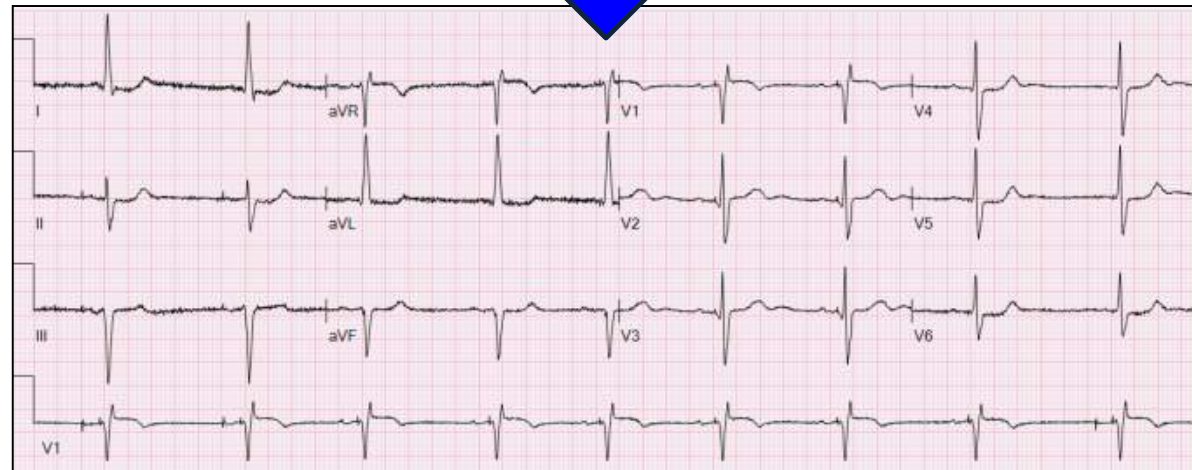
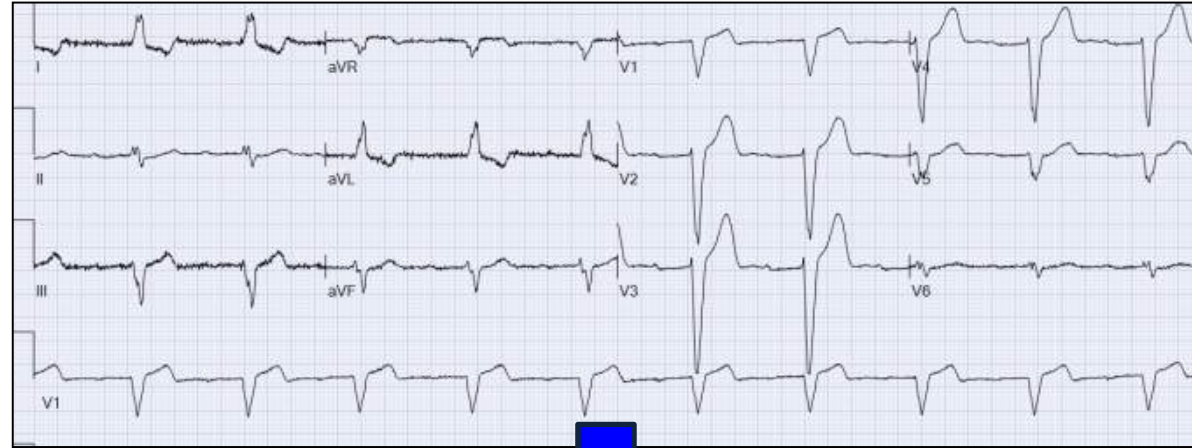
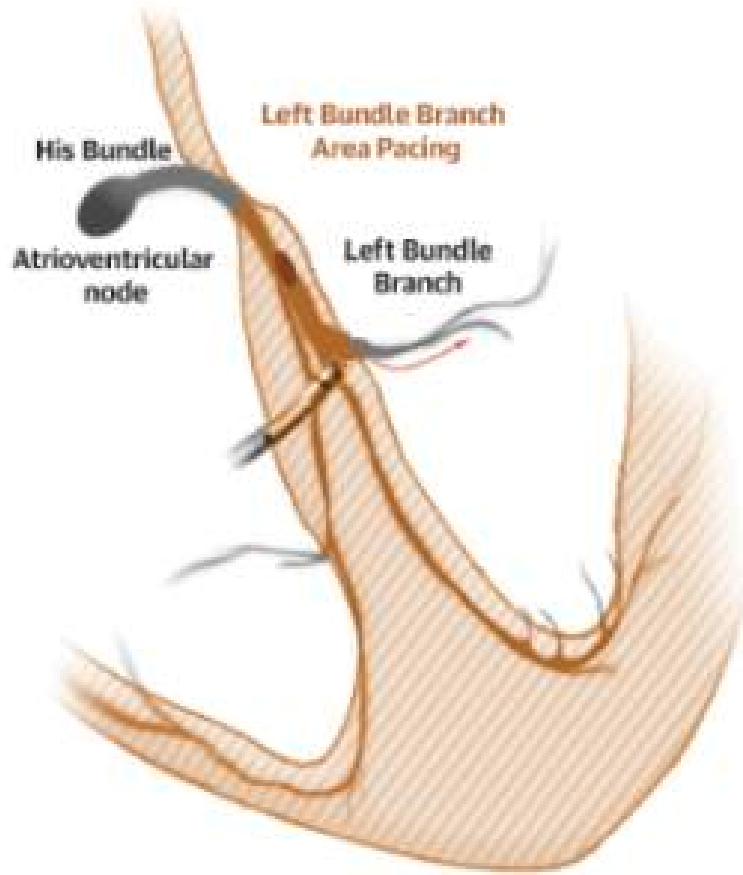
## His bundle pacing



- Zona target piccola, tecnicamente difficile da raggiungere, lenta curva di apprendimento
- Alte soglie di stimolazione con andamento imprevedibile nel follow-up
- Possibilità di correggere il BBS solo in una quota di pazienti (non prevedibile a priori)



# LBBAP: stimolazione parziale del sistema di conduzione

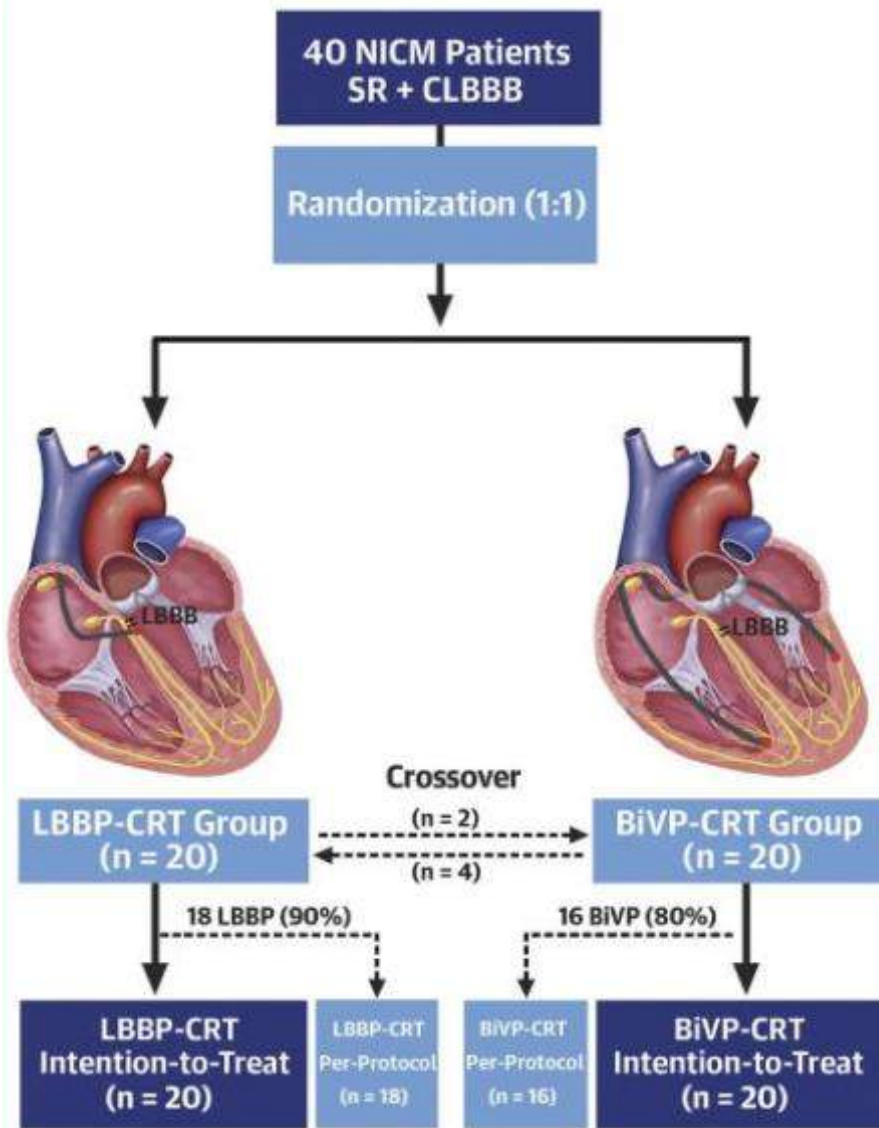


Mantenimento/ripristino del normale **sincronismo intraventricolare sinistro** con **attivazione ritardata del ventricolo destro** (RBBB pacing-indotto)



# LBBAP vs. BVP per la CRT:

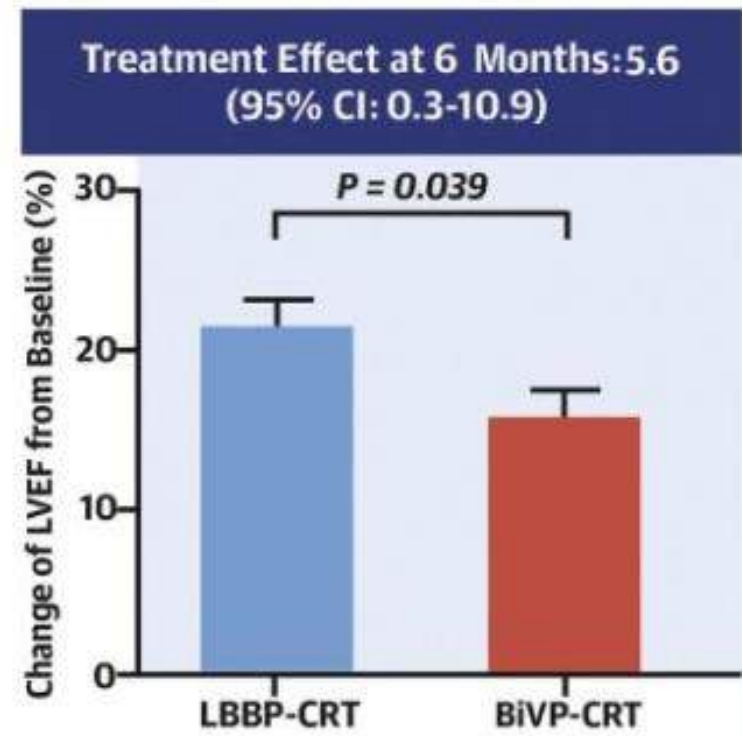
## Studio randomizzato LBBP-RESYNC trial



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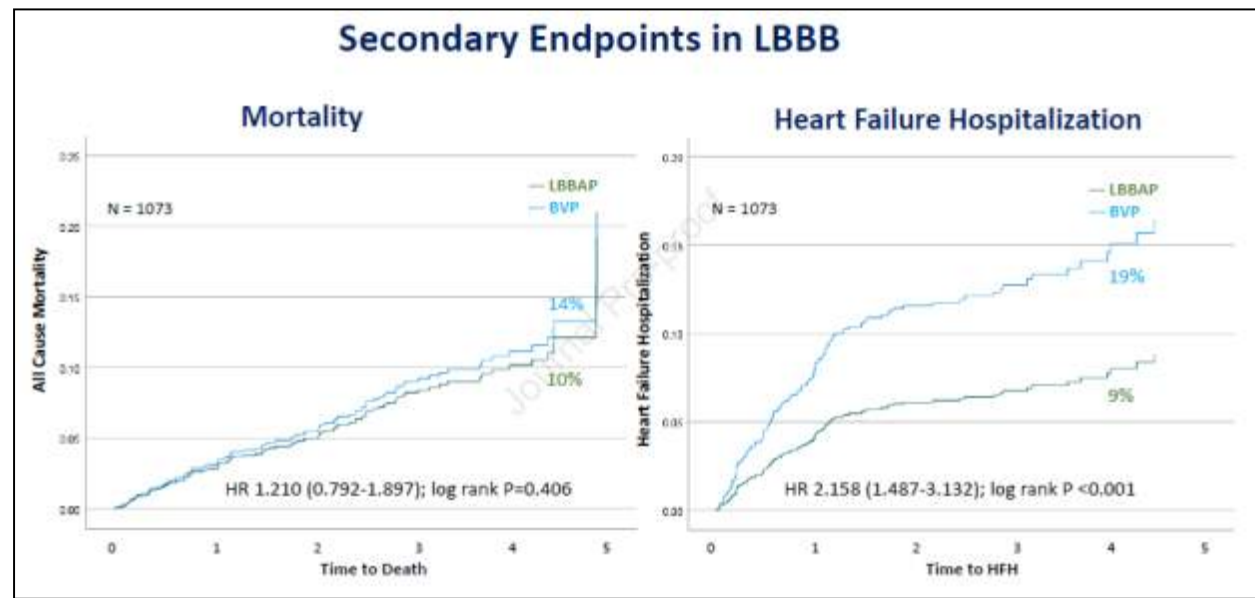
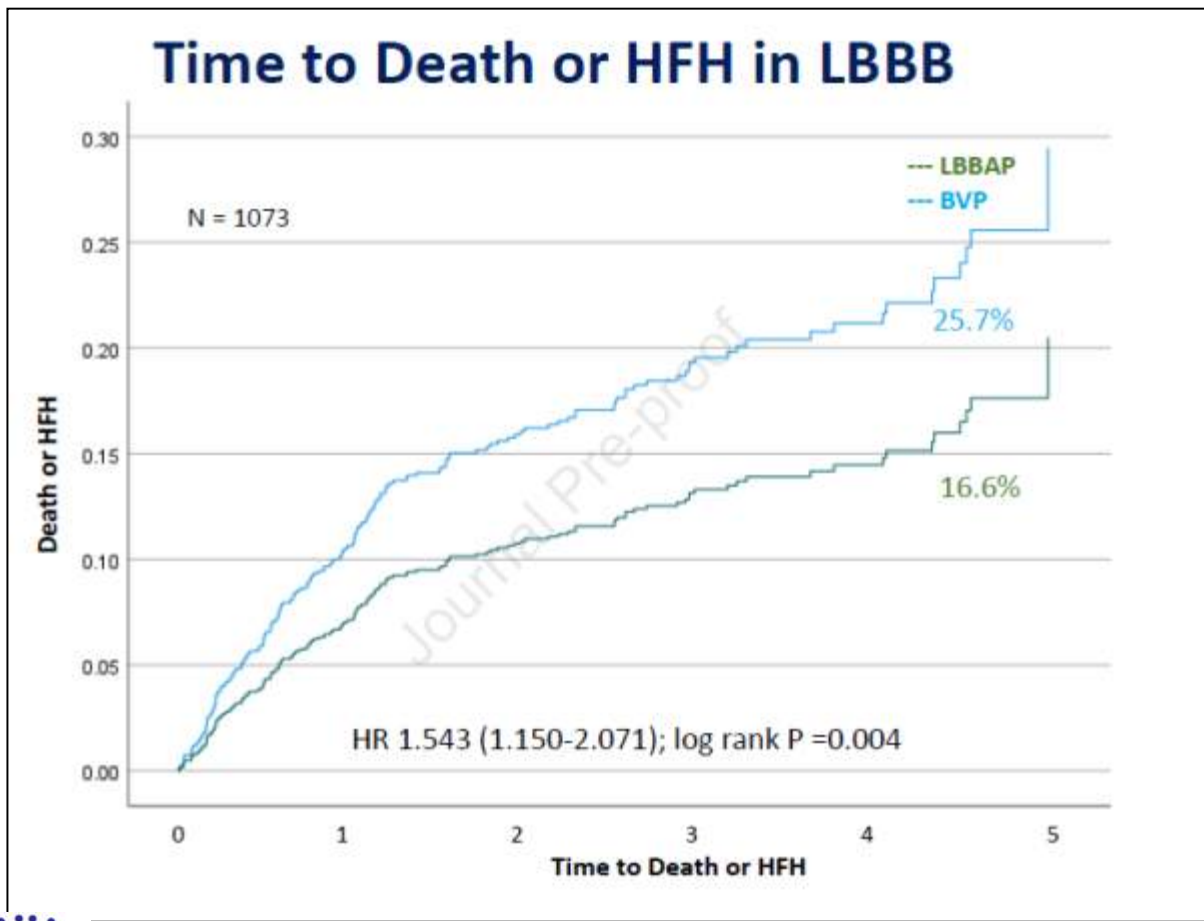
## International Collaborative LBBAP Study

Observational, retrospective. 1778 patients: BVP 981, LBBAP 797.

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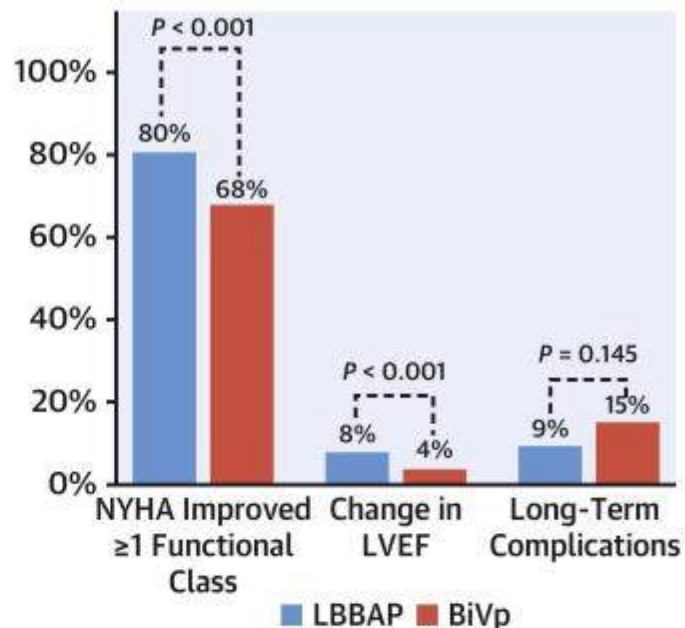


# LBBAP vs. BVP per la CRT: Studio prospettico non randomizzato

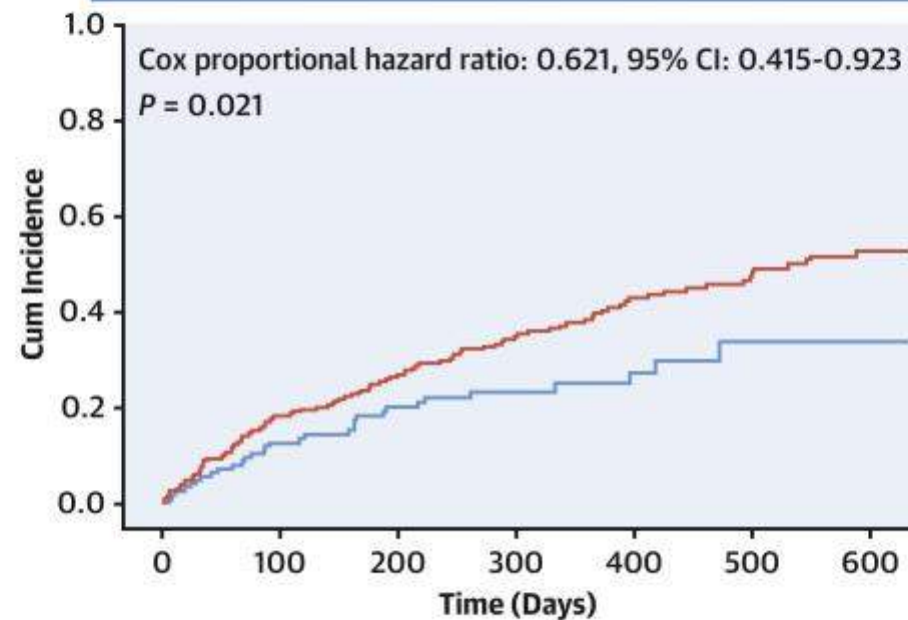


**Initial Implant Strategy for CRT (n = 371)**  
LBBB + LVEF <35%  
LVEF <40% + >40% RV Pacing

LBBAP = 128      BiVp = 243



**Composite Outcome: HF-Related Hospitalization and All-Cause Mortality**



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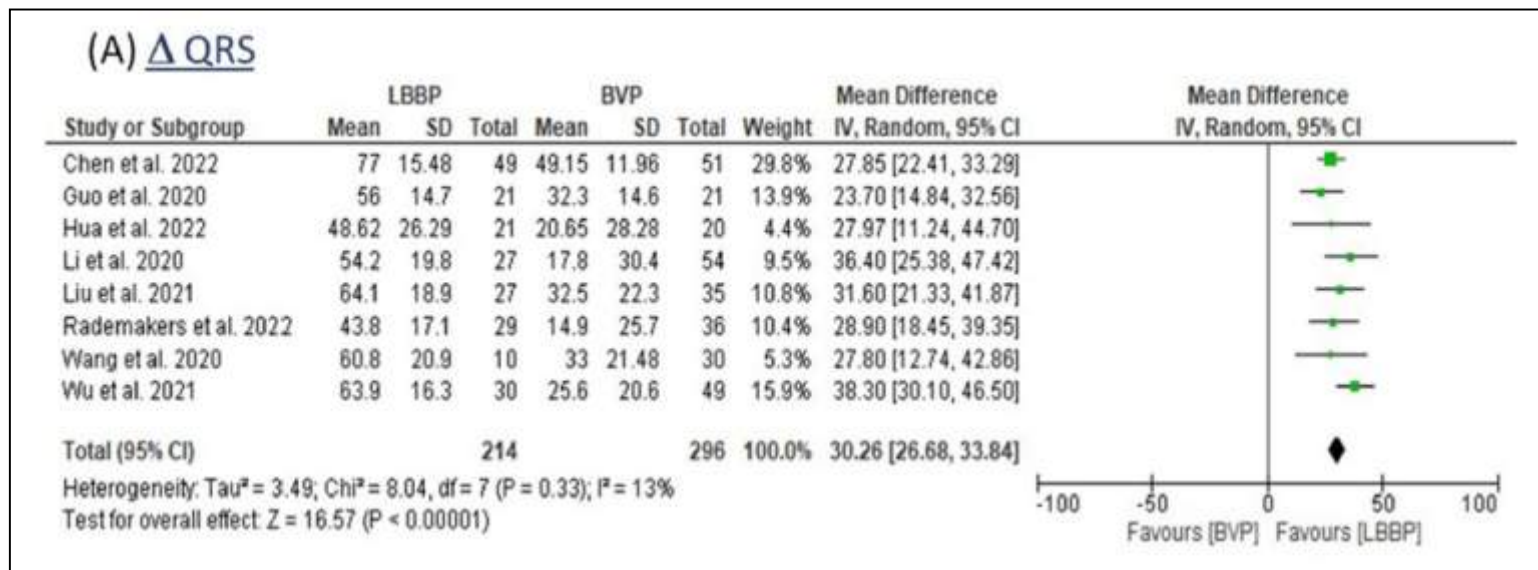
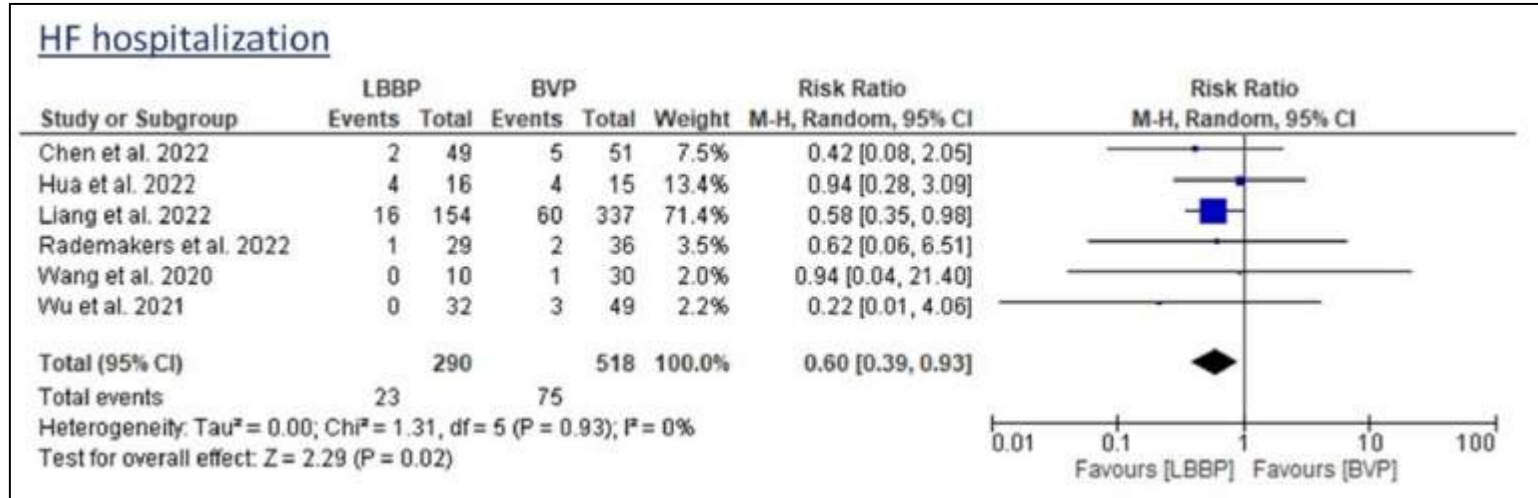
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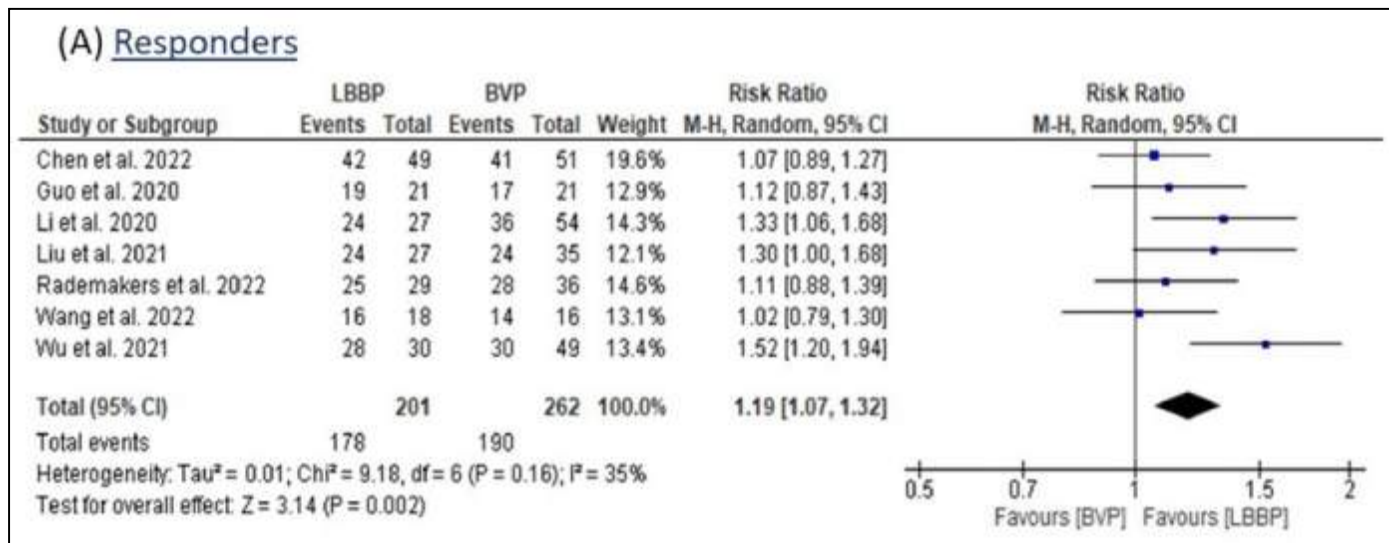
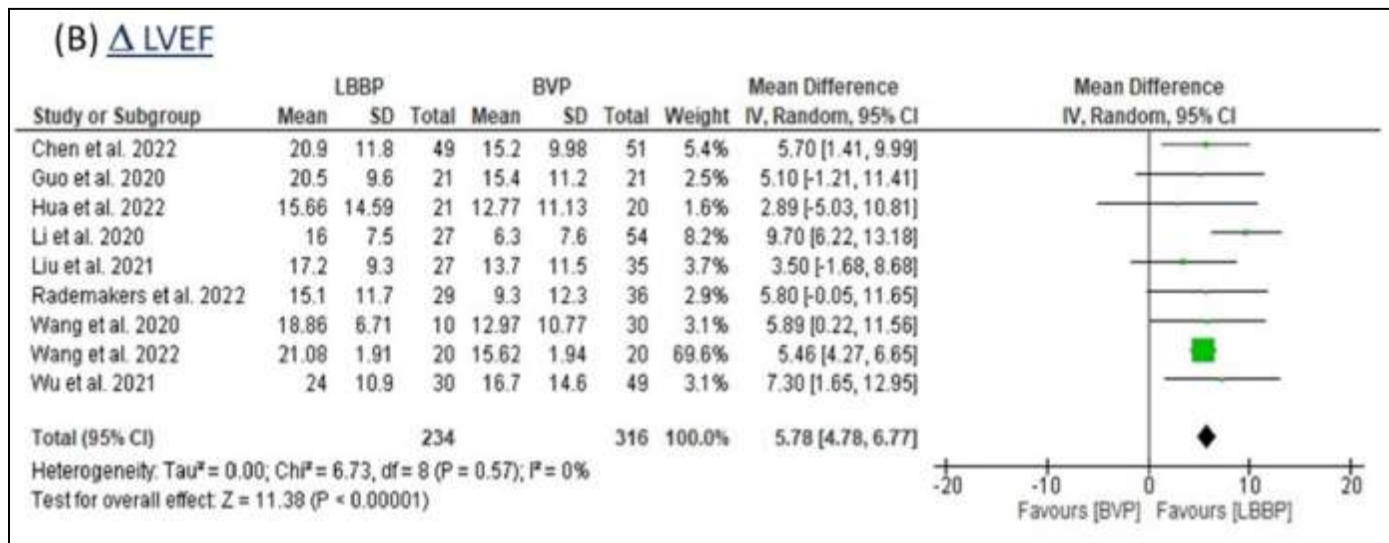
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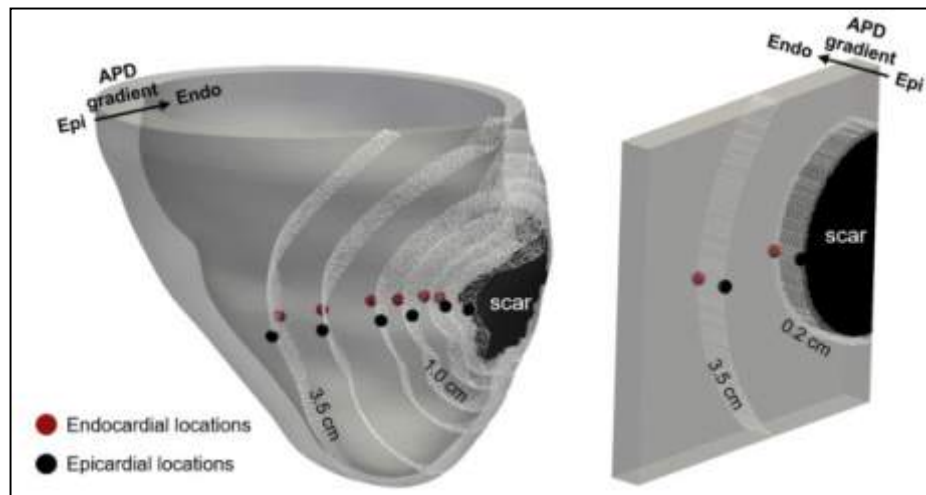
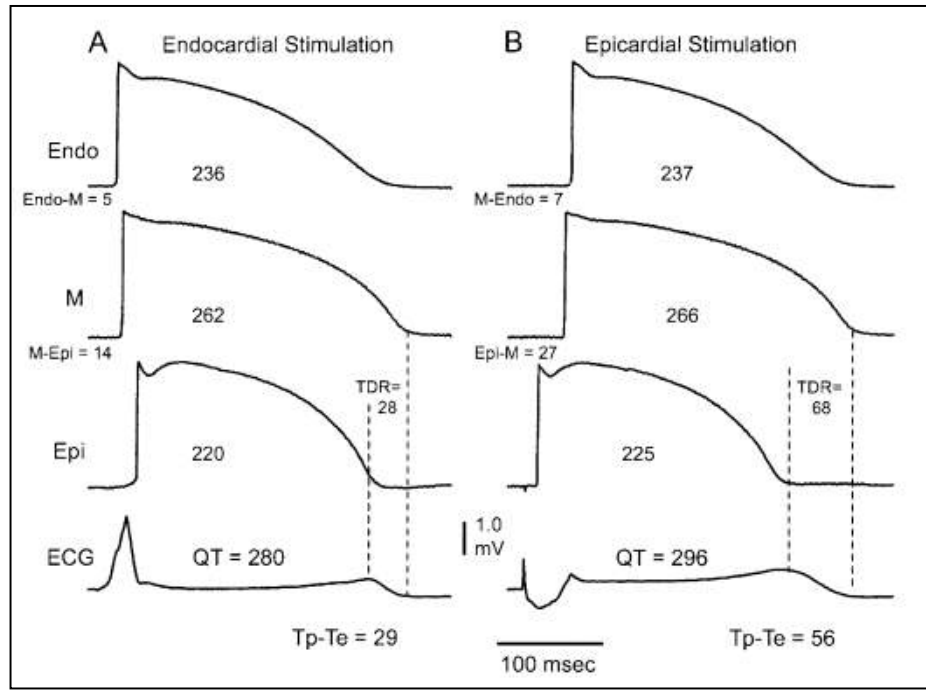
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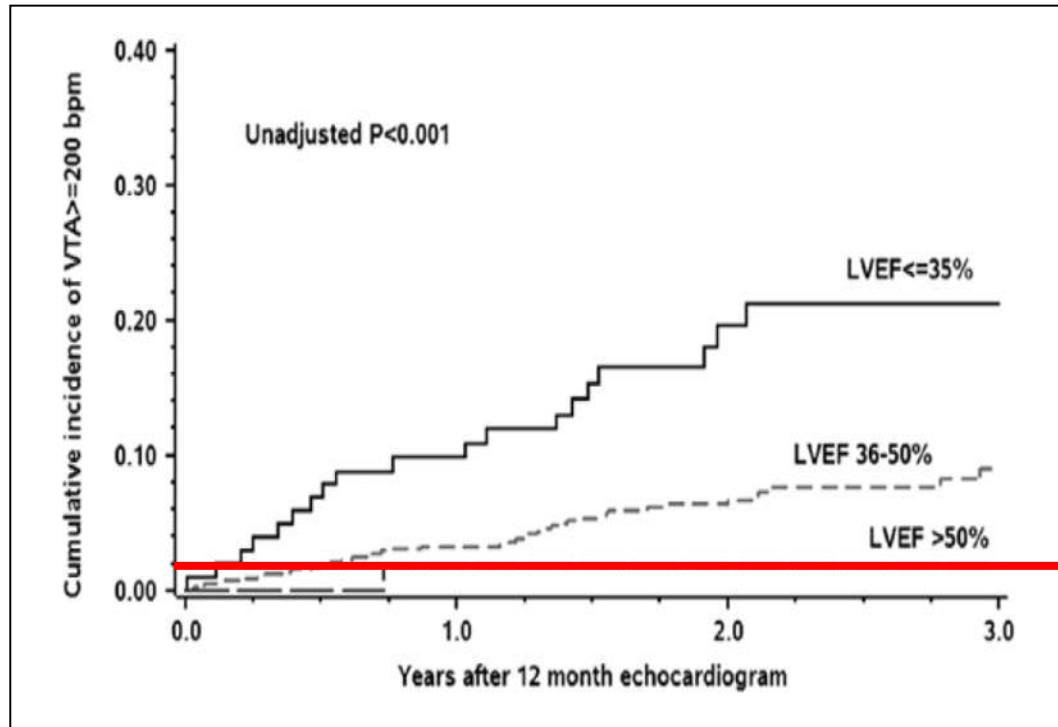
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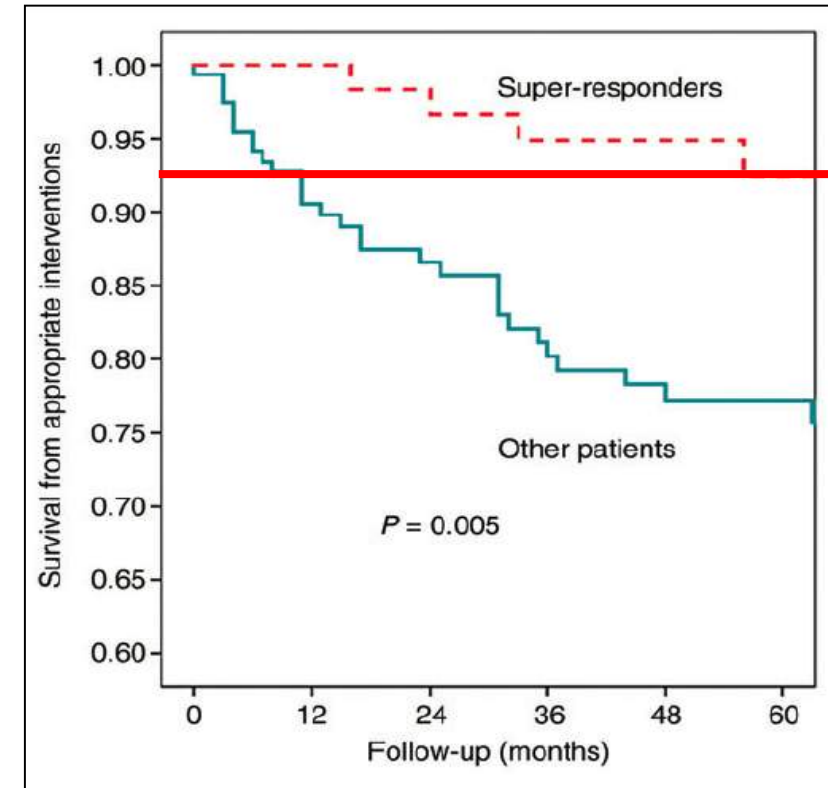


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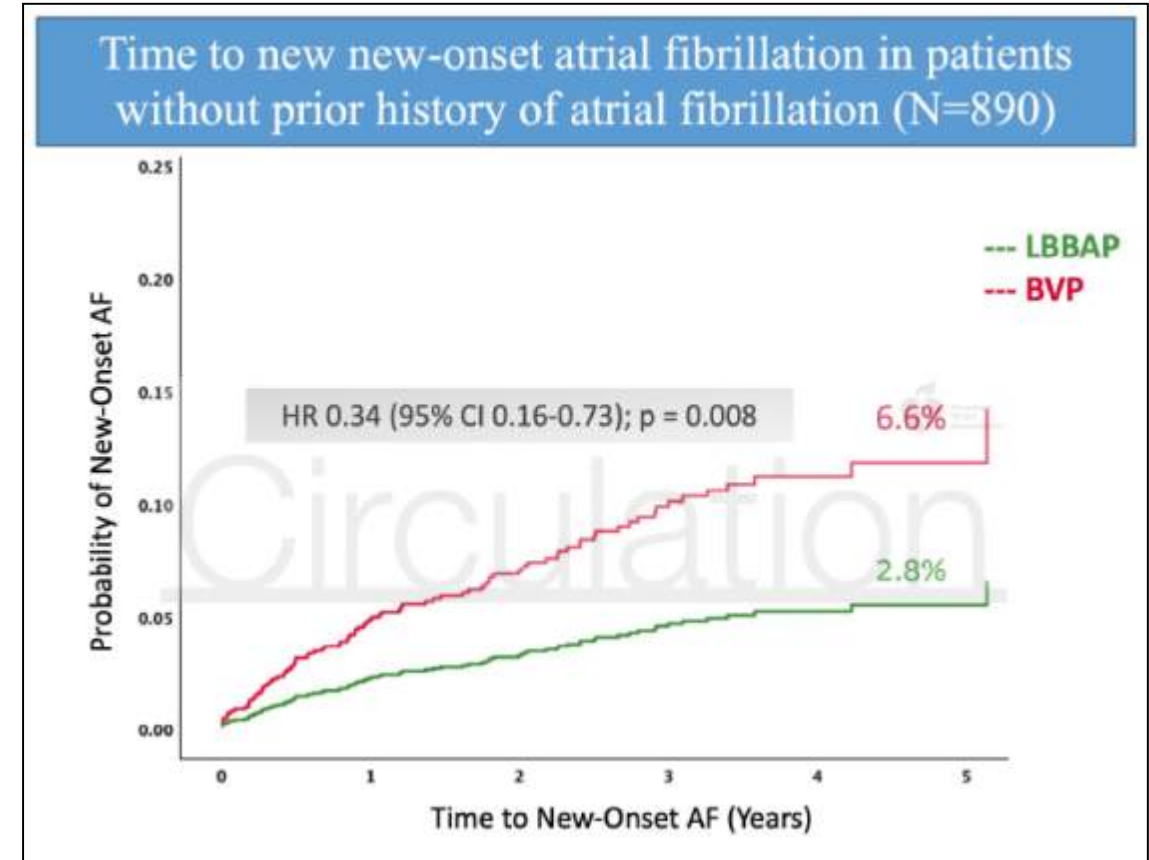
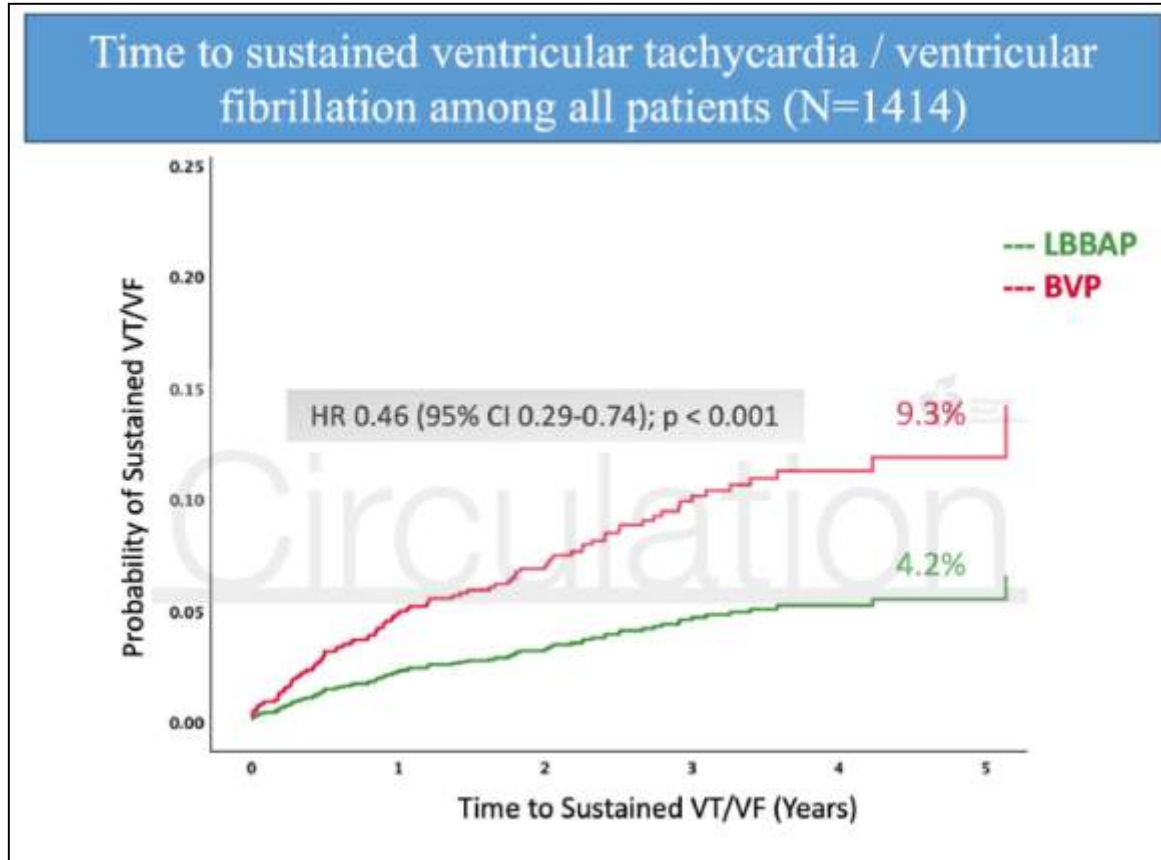
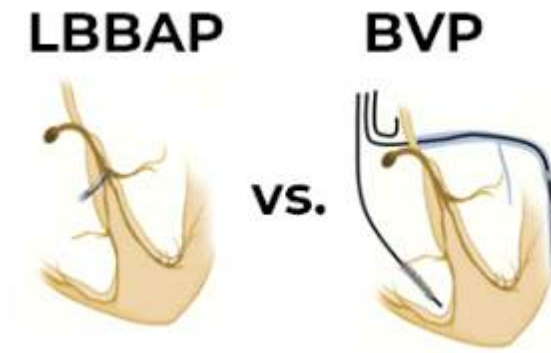


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1778 patients undergoing CRT (981-BVP, 797-LBBAP) matched with propensity score matching.



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***CSP come alternativa alla BVP***

***nella CRT:***

***Safety***



# LBBAP, rate di successo e complicanze: il registro MELOS

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## Left bundle branch area pacing outcomes: the multicentre European MELOS study

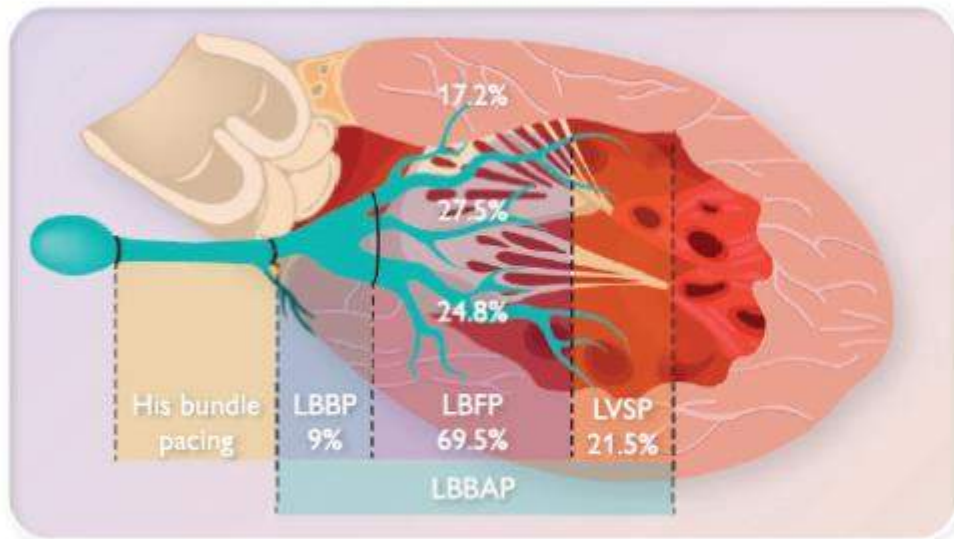
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## MELOS — MULTICENTER EUROPEAN LEFT BUNDLE BRANCH AREA PACING OUTCOMES STUDY

Prospective, multicenter,  
registry-based observational study

2533  
Participants

14  
European centres



### Independent predictors of LBBAP lead implantation failure

Heart failure indication	OR 1.49, 95% CI 1.01–2.21
Baseline QRS duration, per 10 ms	OR 1.08, 95% CI 1.03–1.14
LVEDD, per 10 mm increase	OR 1.53, 95% CI 1.26–1.86

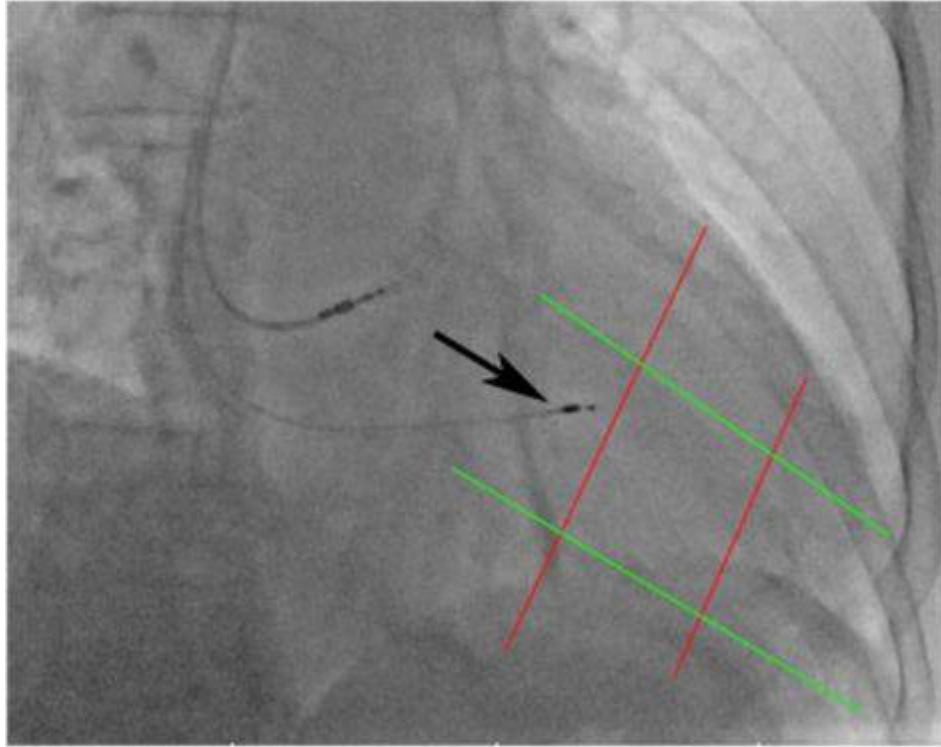
LBBAP implantation success  
Bradycardia indication success 92.4%  
Heart failure indication success 82.2%

LBBAP lead complications 8.3%

- Acute perforation to LV 3.7%
- Lead dislodgement 1.5%
- Acute chest pain 1.0%
- Capture threshold rise 0.7%
- Acute coronary syndrome 0.4%
- Trapped/damaged helix 0.4%
- Delayed perforation to LV 0.1%
- Other 0.7%

Capture threshold (0.77 V) and sensing (10.6 mV) were stable during mean follow-up of 6.4 months.

# LBBAP: perforazione acuta del setto interventricolare



***Incidenza del 4-18%***

# LBBAP vs. BVP per la CRT: complicanze a lungo termine



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## Definition of Complication

**Device-related complications were predefined as any device-related adverse event that was identified after the implantation procedure resulting in:**

- death and/or
- permanent loss of device function due to mechanical or electrical dysfunction and/or
- hospitalization and/or
- prolonged hospitalization by at least 48 hours and/or
- pacing system surgical revision
- LBBAP/CS lead deactivation due to loss of capture, or to unacceptable increase in the capture threshold

Prospective, multicenter, observational study enrolling **668 consecutive patients**, with LVEF  $33.4 \pm 4.3\%$  who underwent BVP (n=561) or LBBAP (n=107) for Class I or II indications for CRT, compared with propensity score matching. Median follow-up: 18 months.

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## Procedural findings:

Parameters	Propensity score-matched		
	LBBAP (n=93)	BVP (n=93)	P value
Implantation successfully completed with the planned pacing technique, n (%)	90 (96.8)	91 (97.8)	0.650
Procedure time in minutes, mean±SD	61.3±24.6	104.3±53.2	<0.001
Fluoroscopy duration in minutes, mean±SD	8.7±7.1	23.8±17.9	<0.001
Type of device implanted			
Single-chamber, n (%)	3 (3.2)	0 (0)	0.081
Dual-chamber, n (%)	23 (24.7)	0 (0)	<0.001
Triple-chamber, n (%)	67 (72.0)	93 (100.0)	<0.001
ICD backup, n (%)	74 (79.6)	72 (77.4)	0.721
Total number of leads implanted per patient, median (IQR)	3 (2-3)	3 (3-3)	<0.001
AVJA, n (%)	25 (26.9)	23 (24.7)	0.738
Paced QRS duration in milliseconds, mean±SD	114.6±21.2	132.1±26.8	<0.001
<b>Pacing parameters of LBBAP/CS lead at implantation</b>			
Pacing threshold in Volt, mean±SD	0.5±0.4	1.3±1.0	<0.001
Pulse width in milliseconds, mean±SD	0.5±0.0	0.6±0.2	<0.001
Pacing impedance in ohm, mean±SD	668.3±172.4	756.7±234.7	<0.001
Sensing in mV, mean±SD	12.1±6.8	12.2±8.9	0.932

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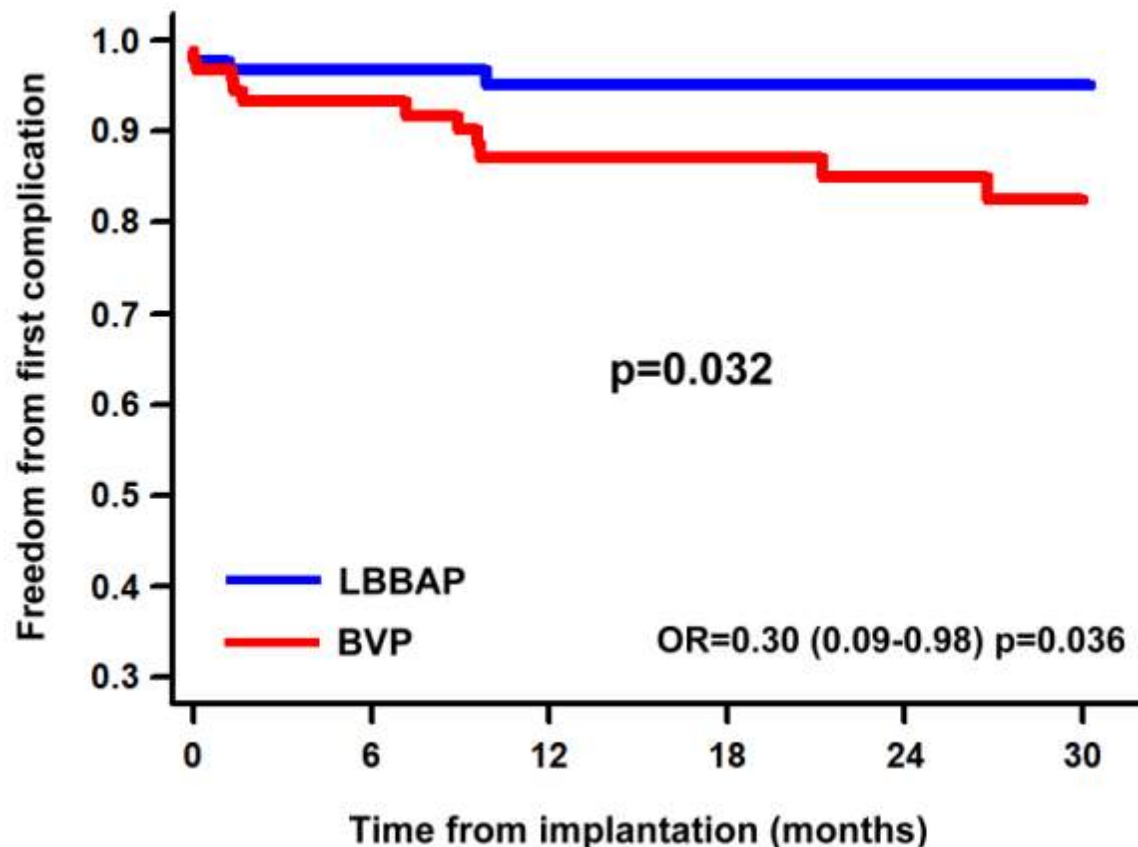
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## Risk of complications



## Independent predictors of complications

	HR	95% CI	p
Chronic renal failure	1.948	1.19-3.18	0.008
Ischemic etiology	1.301	0.80-2.14	0.283
Antiplatelet therapy	1.921	1.18-3.14	0.009
Implantation of a triple-chamber device	1.487	0.22-15.01	0.689
BVP vs. LBBAP	3.234	1.04-10.02	0.042

Increased risk of complications



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## Rate and nature of procedure-related complications

Parameters	General Population		
	LBBAP (n=107)	BVP (n=561)	P value
Complications at implant, n (%)	4 (3.7)	7 (1.2)	0.064
Inability to terminate the implant with the planned pacing technique, n (%)	3 (2.8)	4 (0.7)	0.052
Pneumotorax, n (%)	1 (0.9)	2 (0.4)	0.412
Pericardial effusion/cardiac tamponade, n (%)	0 (0)	1 (0.2)	0.662
Post-implant complications, n (%)	2 (1.9)	61 (10.9)	<b>0.003</b>
Lead dislodgement/failure/deactivation, n (%)	2 (1.9)	47 (8.4)	<b>0.018</b>
RA lead, n (%)	1 (0.9)	8 (1.4)	0.686
RV lead, n (%)	0 (0)	8 (1.4)	0.214
CS lead, n (%)	-	31 (5.5)	-
LBBAP lead, n (%)	1 (0.9)	-	-
Pocket hematoma, n (%)	0 (0)	9 (1.6)	0.187
Device infection, n (%)	0 (0)	5 (0.9)	0.327
Overall complications, n (%)	6 (5.6)	68 (12.1)	<b>0.049</b>

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***Take-Home message***

- ✓ ***Le evidenze attualmente disponibili sono probabilmente già sufficienti a supportare l'utilizzo della CSP nella pratica clinica come alternativa al pacing biventricolare in diversi setting***
- ✓ ***Rimaniamo in attesa di evidenze più robuste provenienti da studi randomizzati con casistiche più ampie e con follow-up più lunghi che ci consentiranno di valutarne l'impatto su end-point hard e la safety nel lungo termine***

