

# HOT TOPICS IN CARDIOLOGIA 2024

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**TAVI AT HOME**



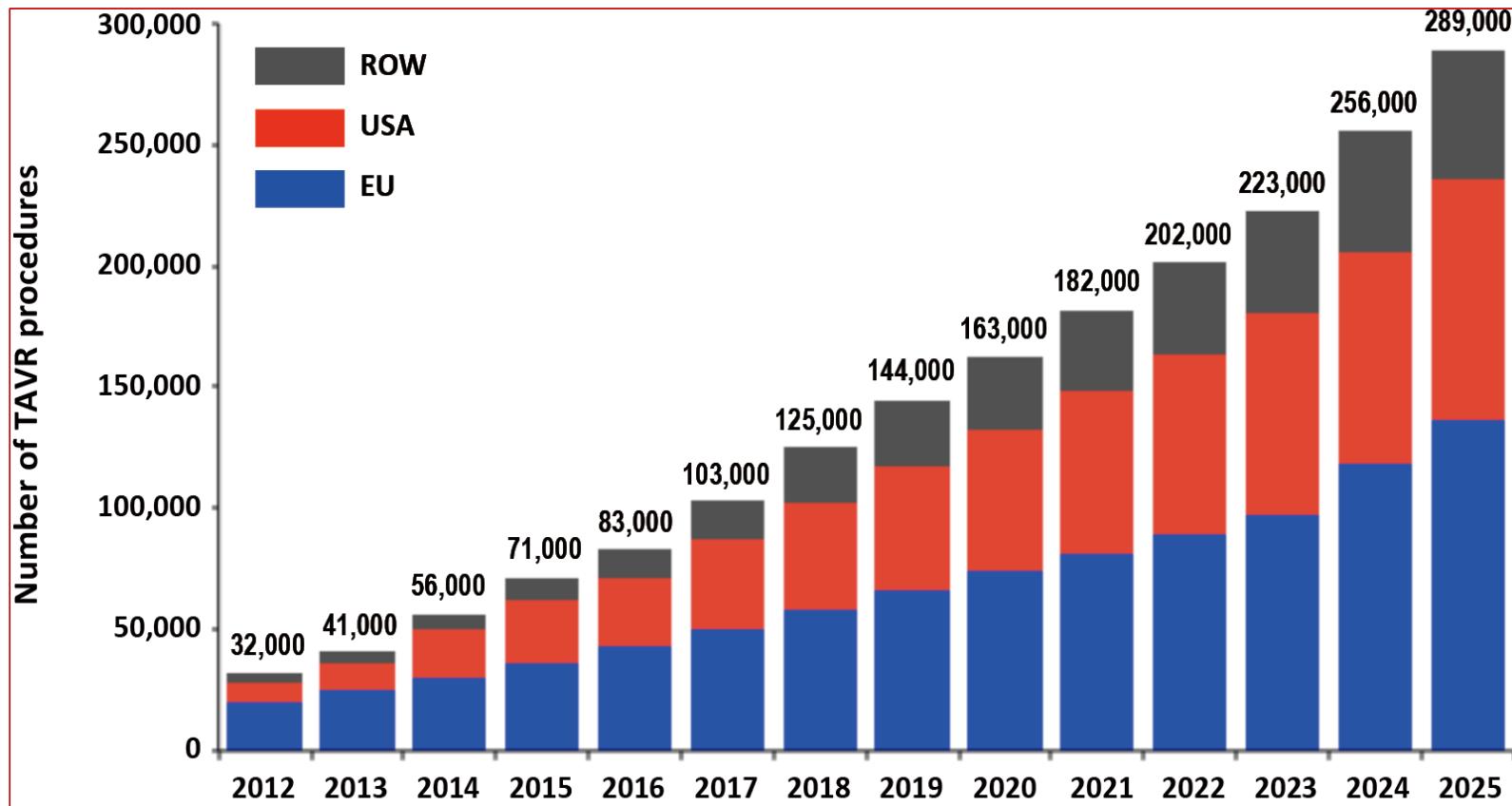
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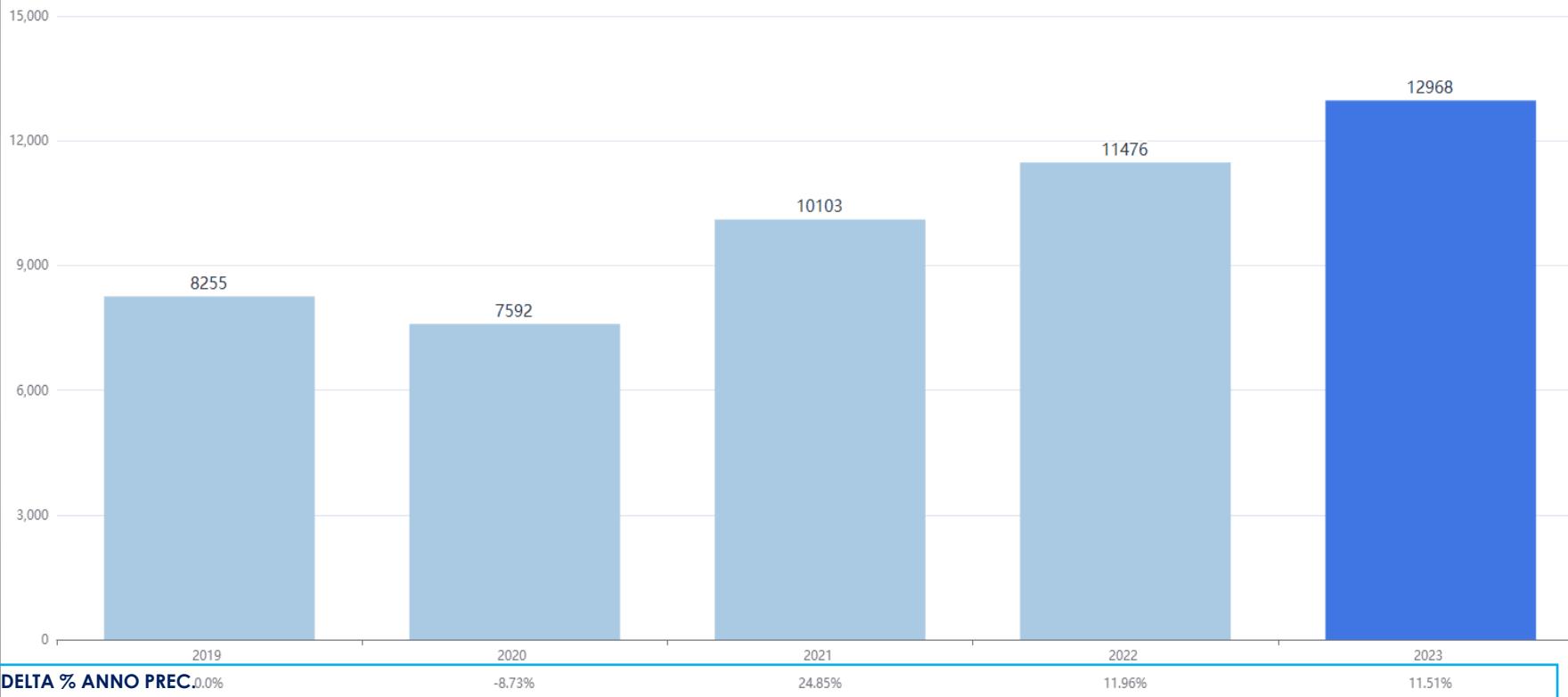
# TAVR: real word

An ongoing increasing trend



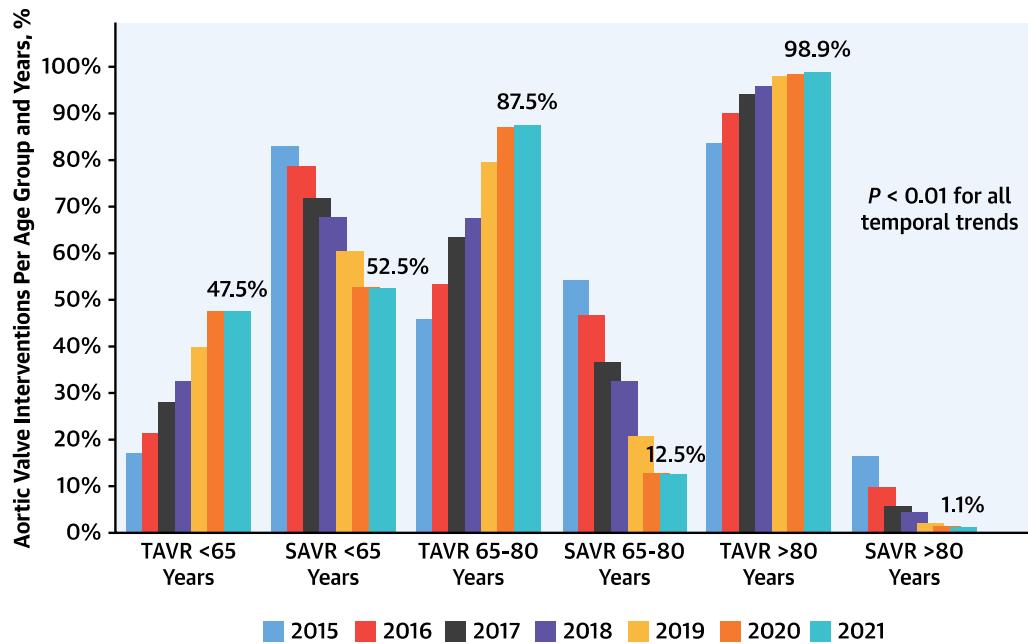


## TAVI: Serie storica Italia



# TAVI: real world

TAVI has become **the mainstay** of treatment in degenerative AS.



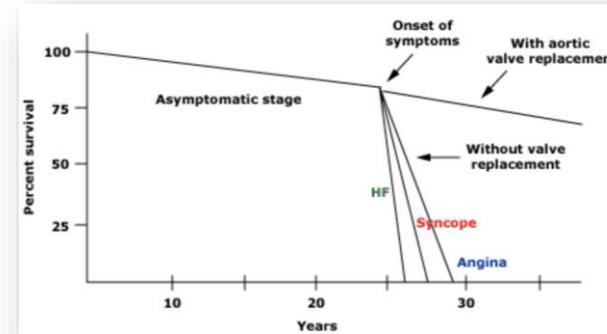
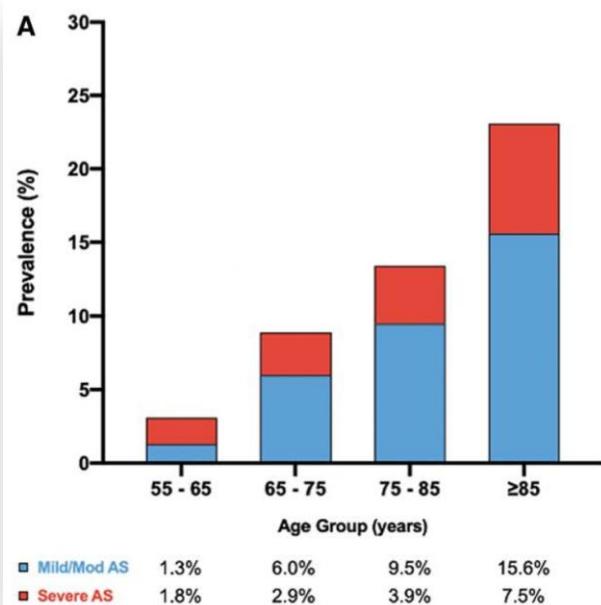
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Over the last 20 years, the **indications for TAVI** have rapidly expanded.

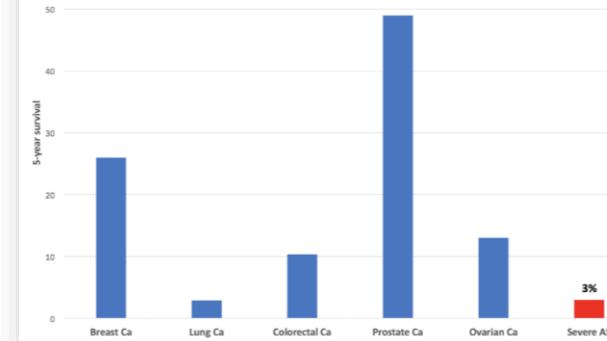
# Symptomatic Aortic Valve Stenosis

## Clinical and Epidemiological Emergency

Increasing prevalence and poor prognosis



3% sopravvivenza a 5 anni per SAO severa



Prognosi a 5 anni delle più comuni neoplasie metastatiche e della SAO in UK

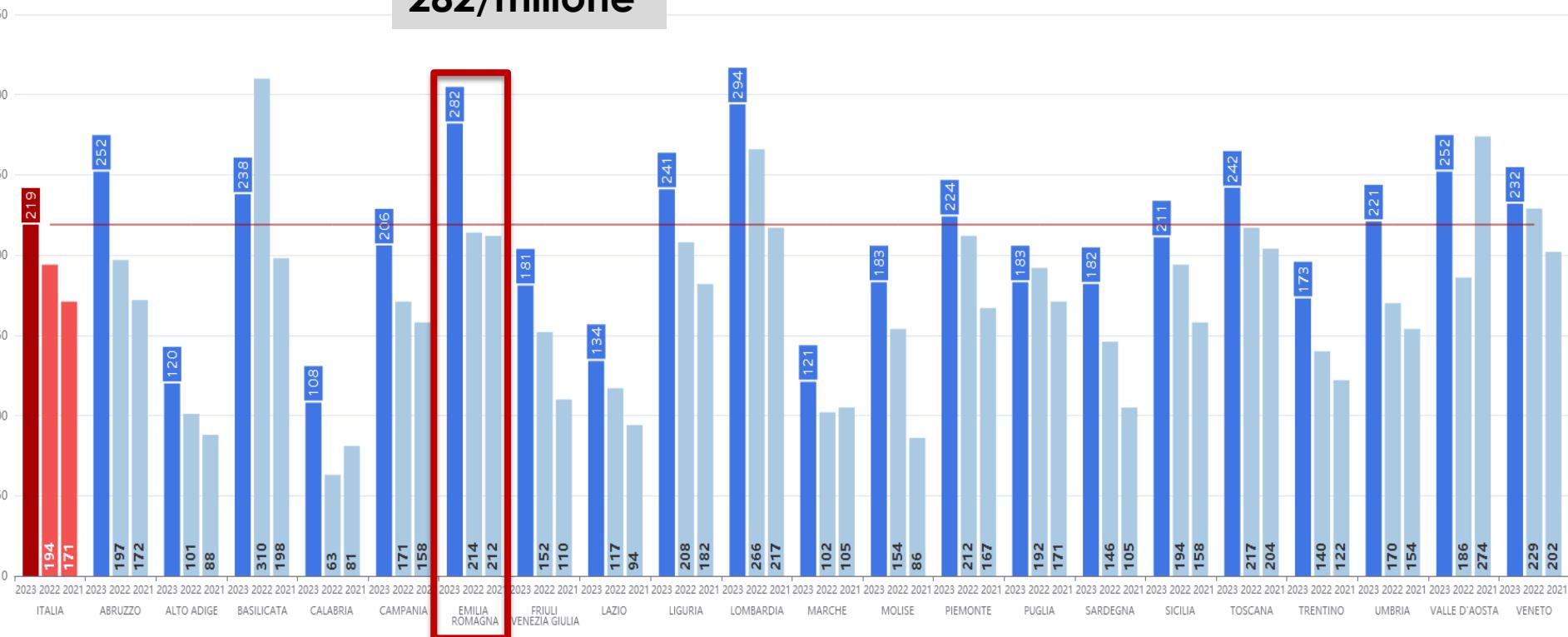
Ali N, et al. Open Heart 2021; 8:e001547  
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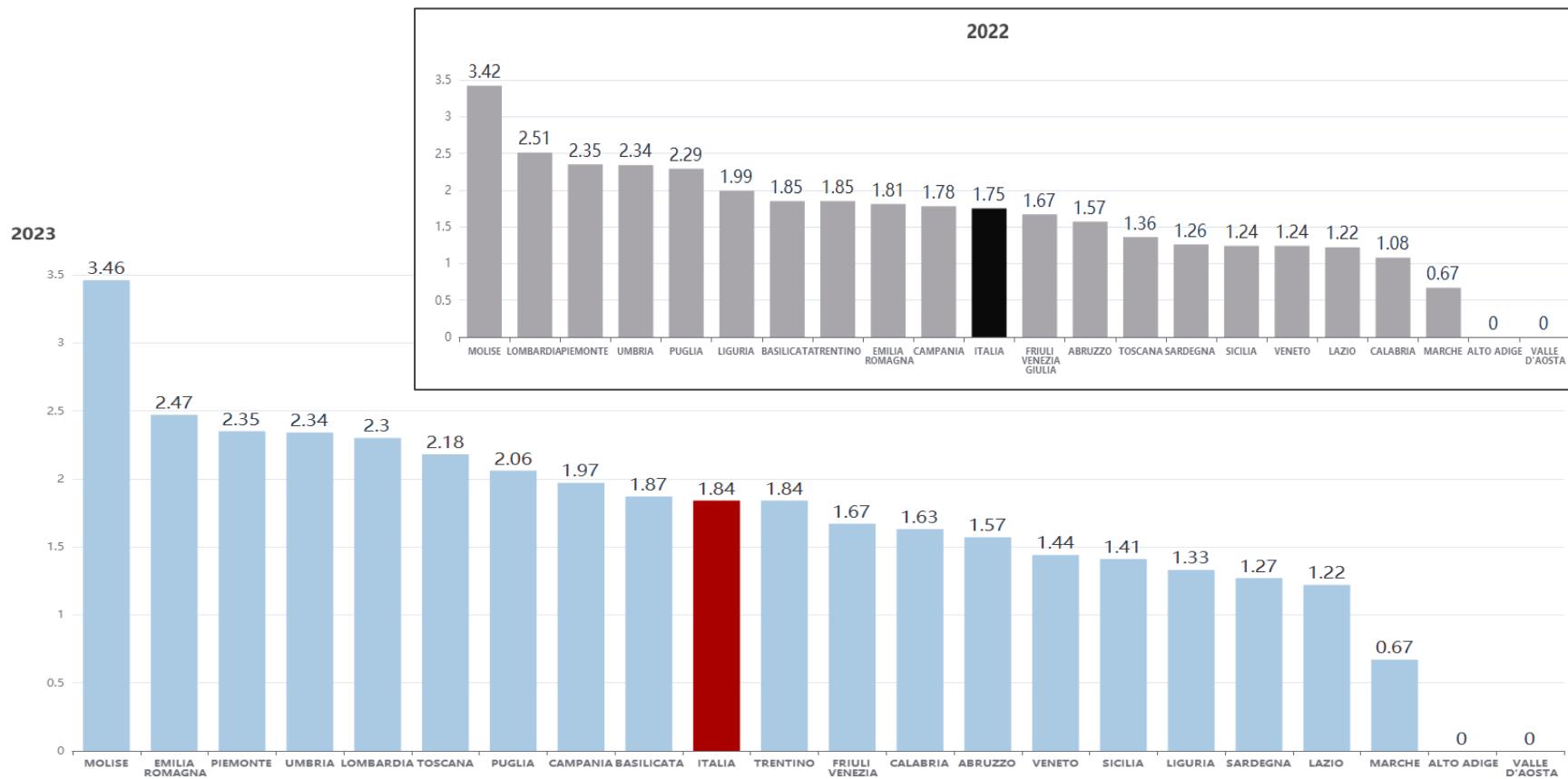
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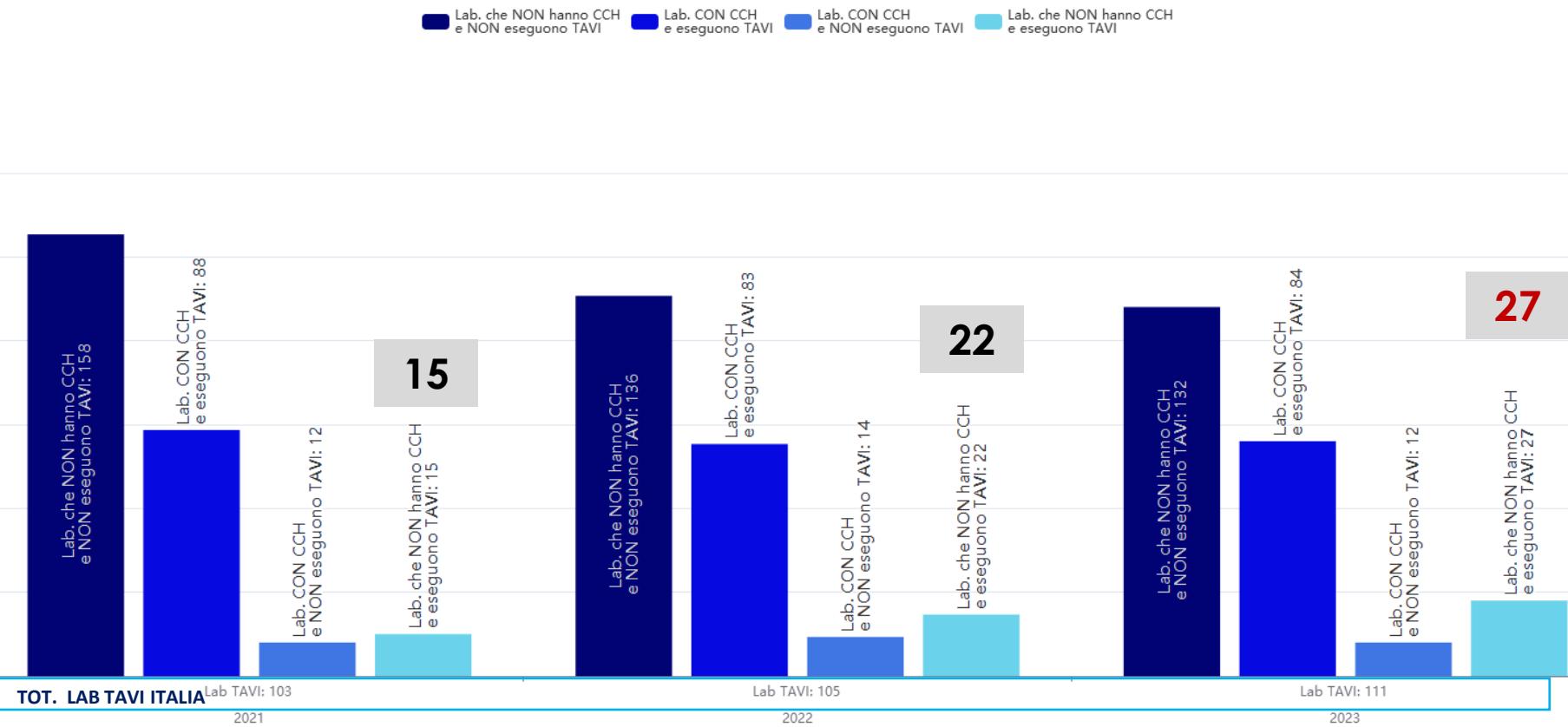
2023 2022 2021



## Laboratori TAVI/1.000.000 Abitanti: Italia e Regioni 2023



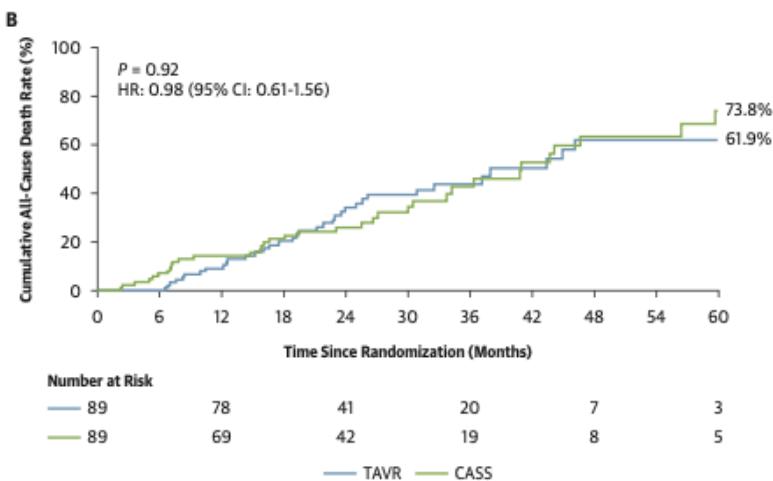
# Laboratori che eseguono TAVI e presenza di CCH on site



# TAVI: recent data

## Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement in Patients With Systolic Heart Failure and Moderate Aortic Stenosis

### TAVR UNLOAD

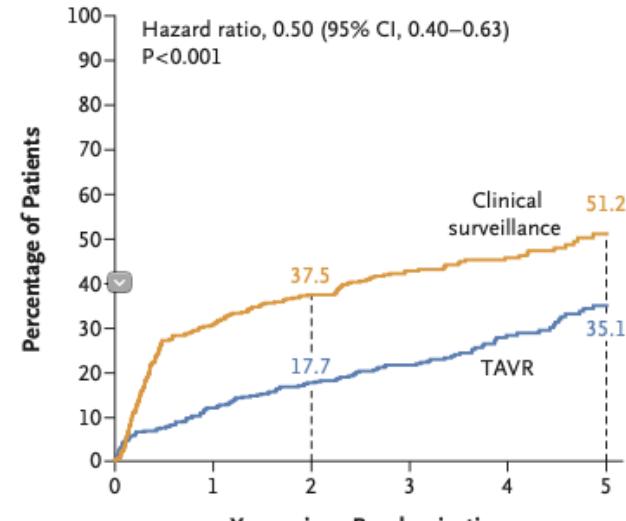


43% dei pazienti in Tp medica sottoposti a TAVR entro i 12 mesi dalla randomizzazione.

## Transcatheter Aortic-Valve Replacement for Asymptomatic Severe Aortic Stenosis

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### A Death, Stroke, or Unplanned Hospitalization for Cardiovascular Causes (%)

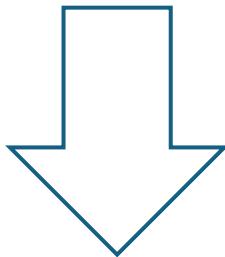


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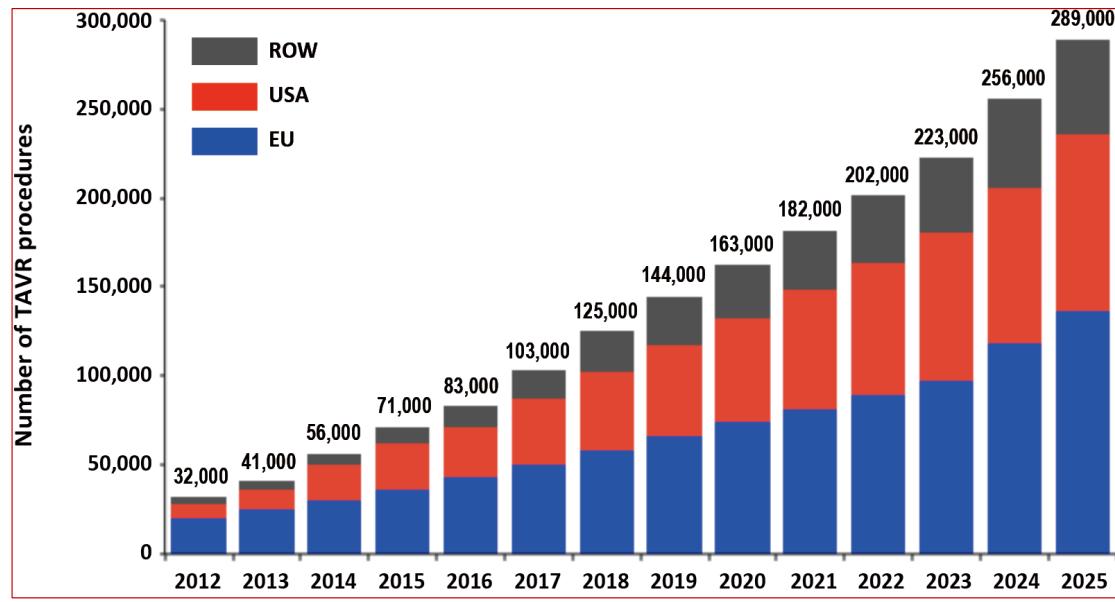
TAVR	455	390	363	285	142	103
Clinical surveillance	446	305	266	187	117	46

## TAVI: in the future

The number of TAVI is projected to **increase in the future.**



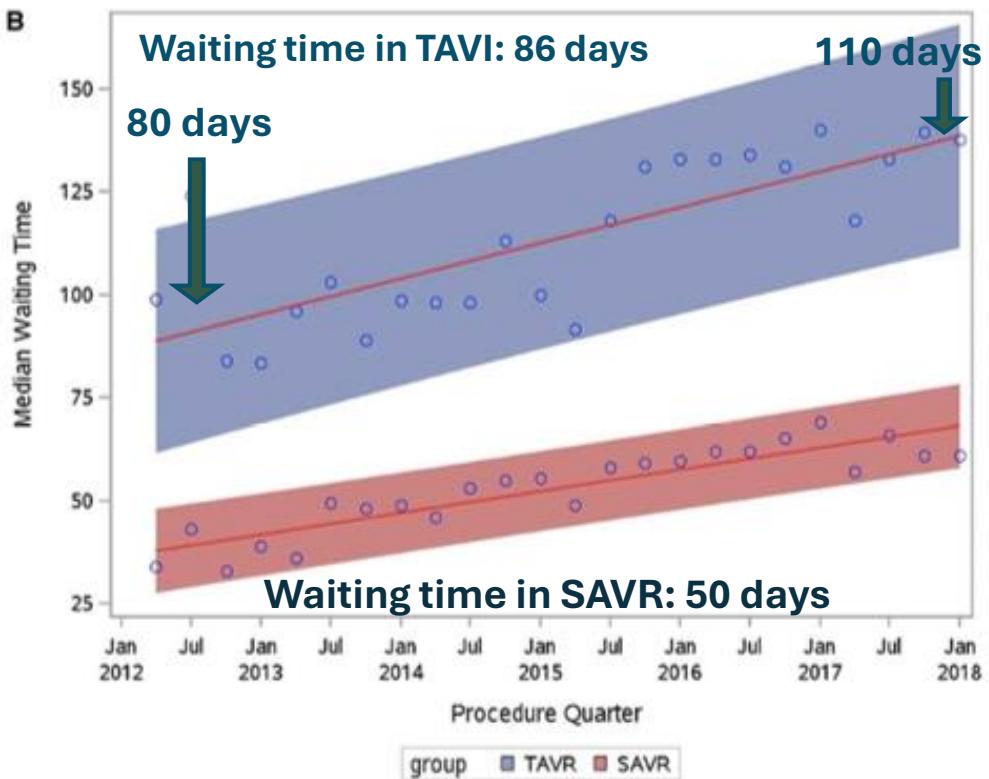
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Cesna, S. et al., J. Thorac. Dis. 2017; 9(6): 1432-1436

Exponential growth in TAVI could overcome the centres capacity

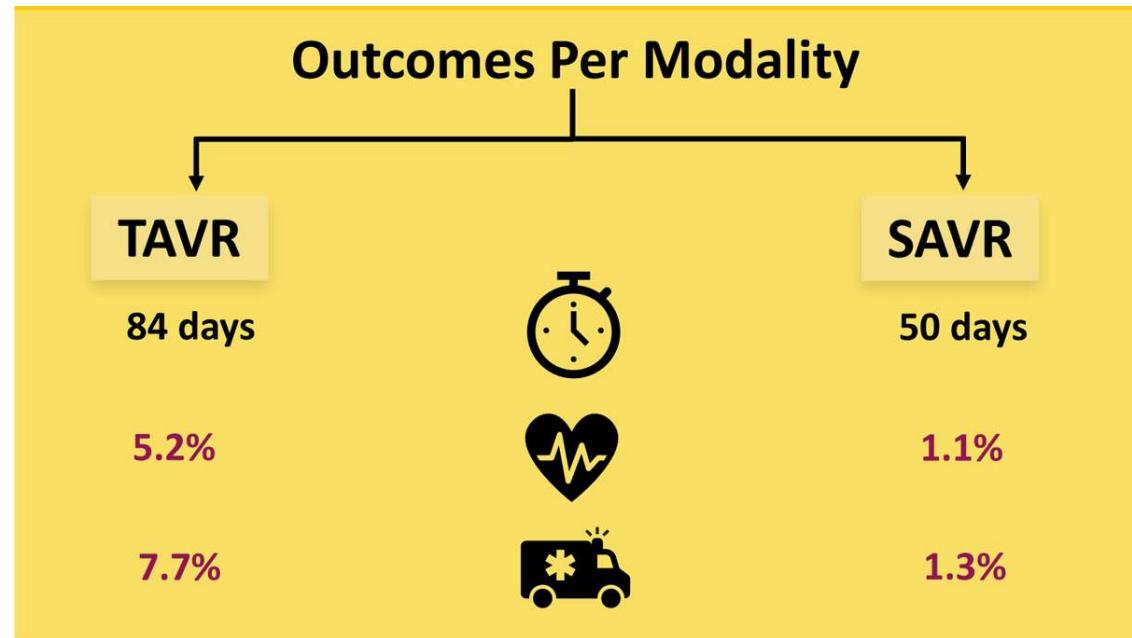
# TAVI supply



- 8098 patients;
- The increase in number of **TAVI procedures was not in keeping with the increasing number of referrals**;
- This large mismatch between demand and supply results in increase waiting-list.

## Long waiting-list

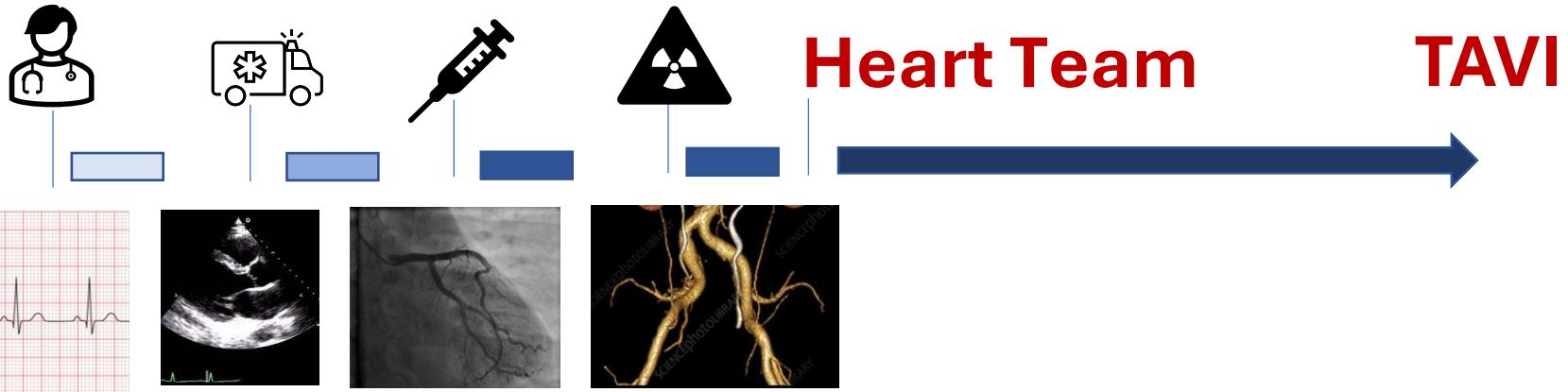
- In the early TAVI era, **10-14%** patients died on waiting-list;
- In more recent study the cumulative probability of **mortality** was **5.2%** and **HF hospitalization** rate **7.7%** in TAVI patients.



Albassam et al. *Circ Cardiovasc Interv*. Nov. 2020

**Circulation:**  
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# Waiting List

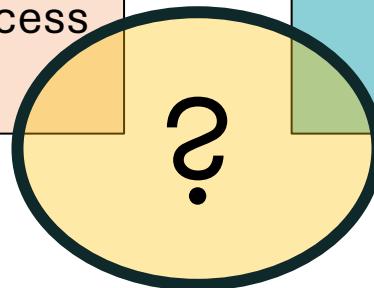


# Waiting list work-up

## Fast-track pathways

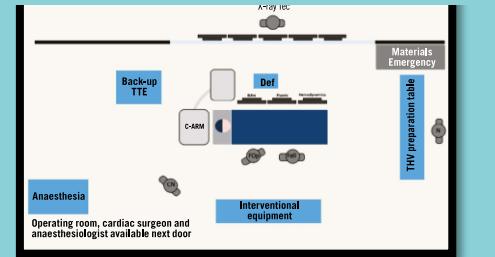
Increase awareness of Ao valve disease

Simplify and facilitate access to the procedure



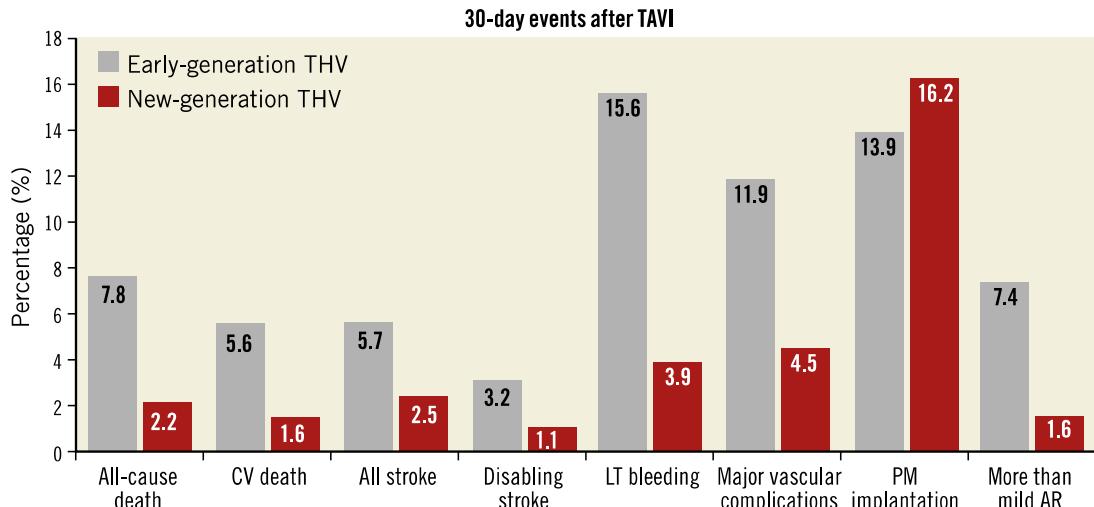
## Minimalist TAVI

Increase Hospital beds turnover



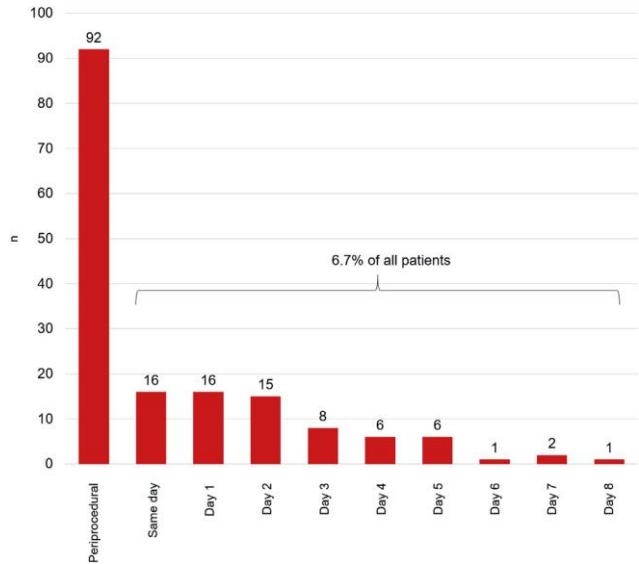
# Waiting list work-up

## Fast-track pathways & minimalist TAVR



Barbanti M, Webb JG, Gilard M, Capodanno D, Tamburino C. Transcatheter aortic valve implantation in 2017: state of the art. *EuroIntervention*. 2017 Sep 24;13.

**FIGURE 3** Timing and Frequency of High-Degree AVB

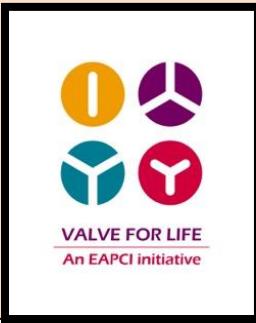


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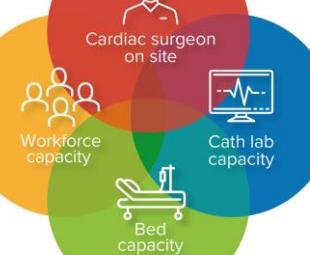
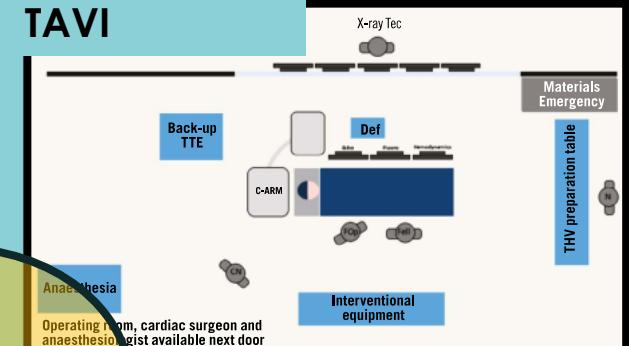
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# Waiting list work-up

## Fast-track pathways



## Minimalist TAVI



# Heart Valve Centers capacity

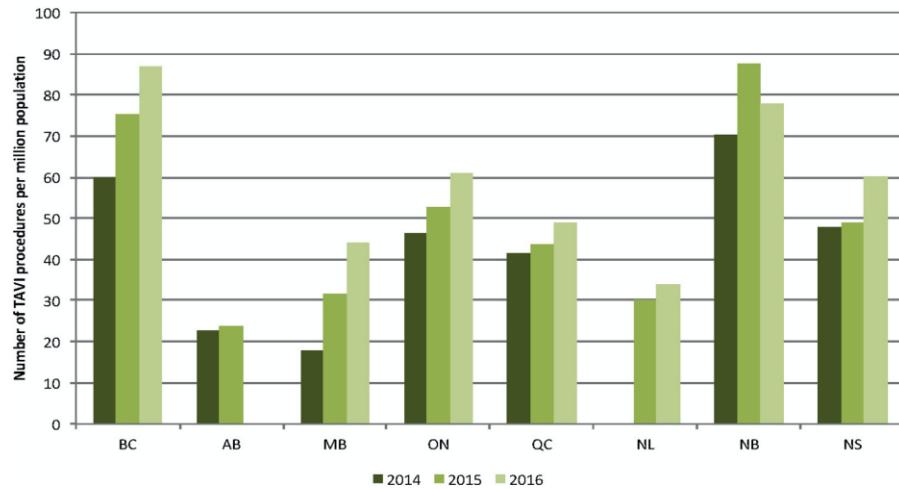
Increase volume capacity ?

Canadian Journal of Cardiology 36 (2020) 844–851

## Clinical Research

### Inequity in Access to Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement: A Pan-Canadian Evaluation of Wait-Times

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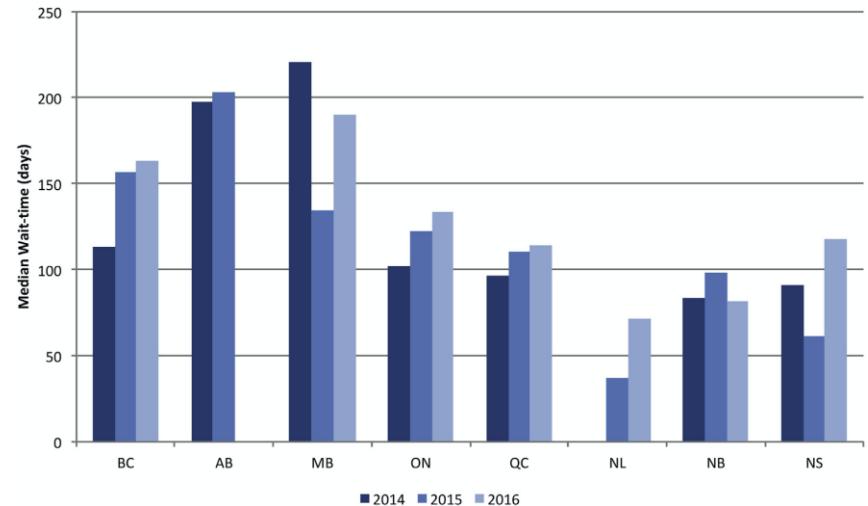


32% TAVR procedural volume at Hospital with onsite CS  
(46.3 TAVR → 60.9 TAVR/1.000.000)



27% waiting time

Marked variation between Provinces

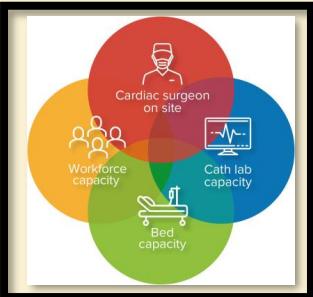


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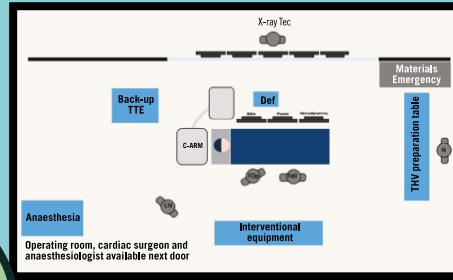
## Fast-track pathways



## Heart Valve Centres



## Minimalist TAVI



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# **Solutions to improve TAVI supply ?**



**Extend TAVI in Centres without cardiac  
surgery on site ?**

# Guidelines

Aortic valve interventions must be performed in Heart Valve Centres that declare their local expertise and outcomes data, have active interventional cardiology and cardiac surgical programmes on site, and a structured collaborative Heart Team approach.

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ESC/EACTS GUIDELINES

**2021 ESC/EACTS Guidelines for the management of valvular heart disease**

**TABLE 11** Structure of Primary and Comprehensive Valve Centers

**Comprehensive (Level I) Valve Center**

**Interventional procedures\***

TAVI-transfemoral

Percutaneous aortic valve balloon dilation

TAVI-alternative access, including transthoracic (transaortic, transapical) and extrathoracic (eg, subclavian, carotid, caval) approaches

Valve-in-valve procedures

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Prosthetic valve paravalvular leak closure

Percutaneous mitral balloon commissurotomy

**Primary (Level II) Valve Center**

**2020 ACC/AHA Guideline for the Management of Patients With Valvular Heart Disease**

A Report of the American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association Joint Committee on Clinical Practice Guidelines

Developed in collaboration with and endorsed by the American Association for Thoracic Surgery, American Society of Echocardiography, Society for Cardiovascular Angiography and Interventions, Society of Cardiovascular Anesthesiologists, and Society of Thoracic Surgeons

# TAVI without on site surgery

Any evidence ?

## Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement Without On-Site Cardiac Surgery

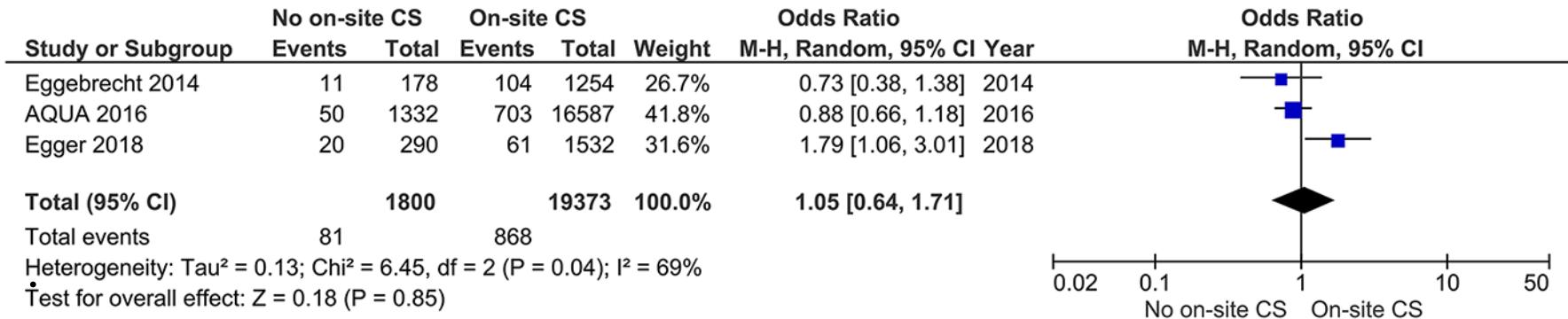
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<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcin.2023.09.020>

# Meta-analysis: TAVI without onsite CS

- **3 comparative studies** TAVI with vs without on-site CS;
- A total of **21173** patients, of which 1800 patients (**8.5%**) group without on-site CS. The outcome was **short-term mortality**;
- Mean age 81 years and LogES>21%.

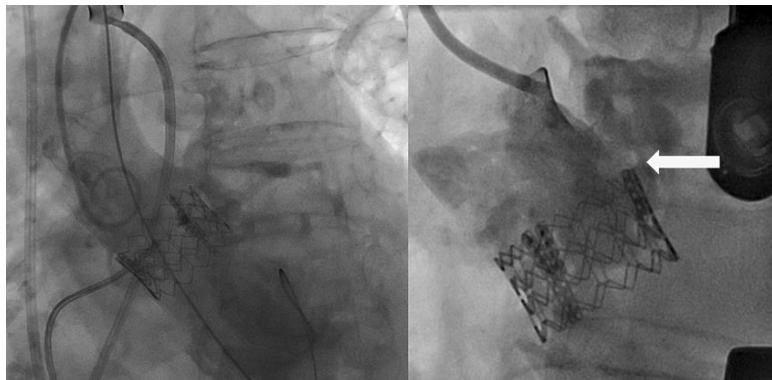
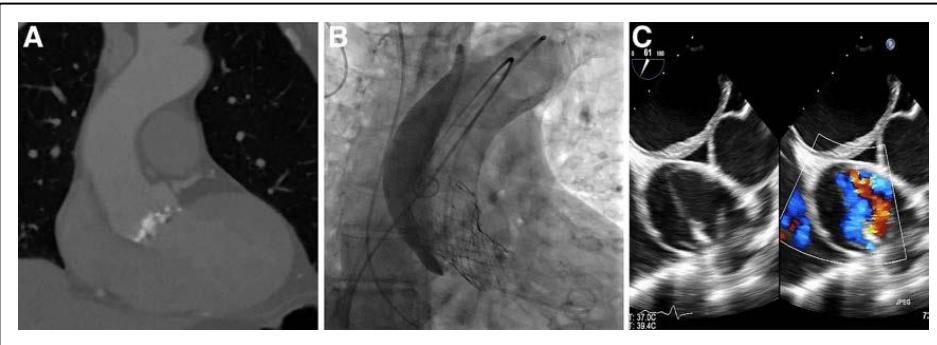


Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement  
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# Why we need on site cardiac surgery ?



- Annular rapture
- Aortic dissection
- Valve migration and embolization
- Coronary obstruction
- Ventricular perforation
- Mitral valve damage

Valve Academic Research Consortium 3:  
Updated Endpoint Definitions for  
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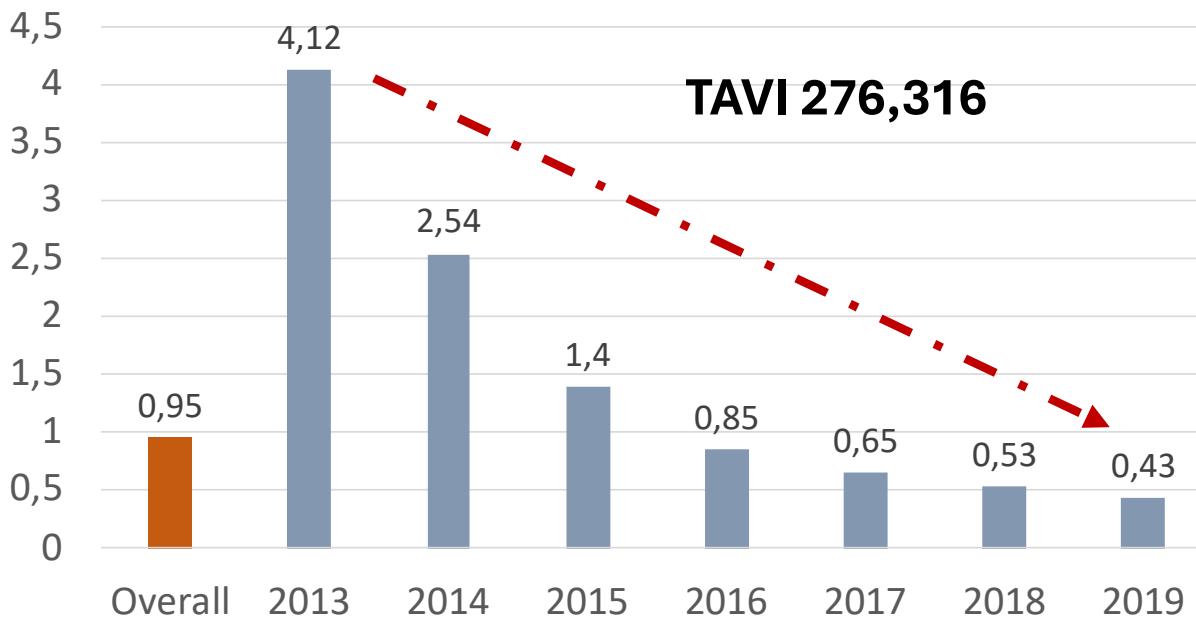
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# Emergent cardiac surgery



## STS-ACC TVT Registry of Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement

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- Operator expertise;
- Less frequent use of the **trans-apical access**;
- Development of **new devices**;
- **Imaging techniques.**

# Emergent cardiac surgery

- In a registry including 10,314 TAVI,(January 2021 and June 2023) the rate of ECS was **0.2%** after SAPIEN 3Ultra Resilia valve implantation.

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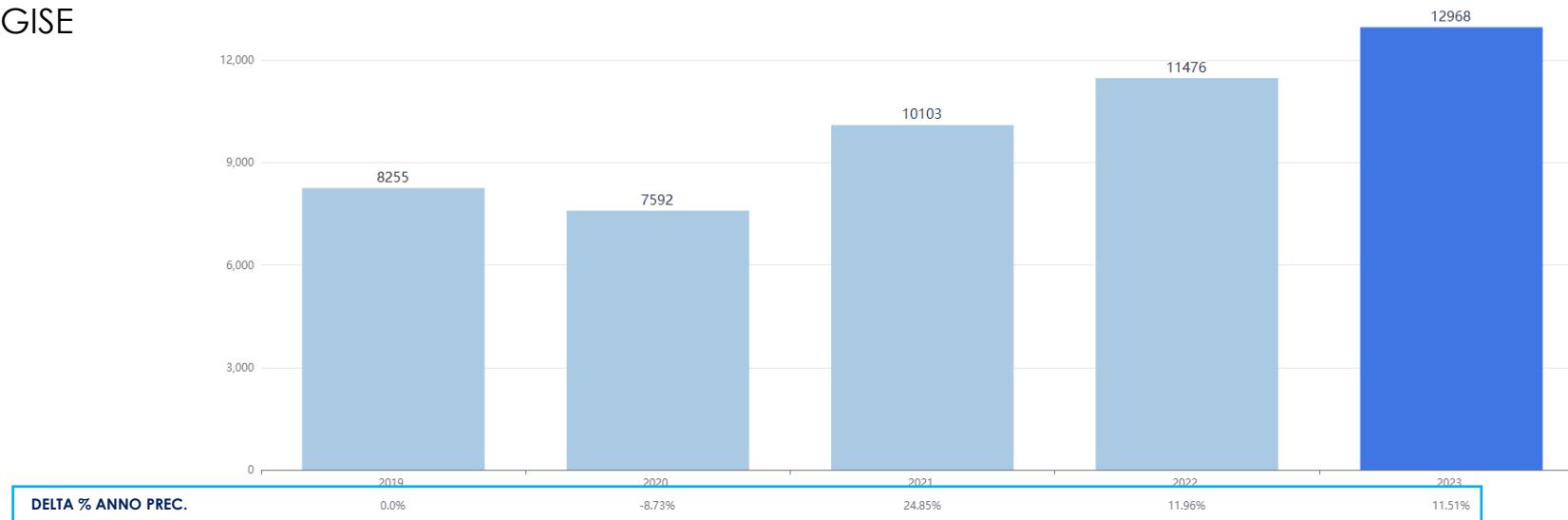
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Curtiss T. Stinis, M  
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# Need to emergent cardiac surgery

TAVI	2019 8255 pt	2020 7592 pt	2021 10103 pt	2022 11478 pt	2023 12968 pt	TOTALE 50396
CCH conversion	16 ( <b>0.2%</b> )	22 ( <b>0.3%</b> )	14 ( <b>0.1%</b> )	19 ( <b>0.2%</b> )	23 ( <b>0.2%</b> )	94 ( <b>0.2%</b> )
Compl. Vasc.	119 (1.4%)	214 (2.8%)	478 (4.7%)	435 (3.8%)	424 (3.3%)	1670 (3.3%)
Compl. Vasc. surgery	-	109 (1.4%)	166 (1.6%)	112 (1.0%)	113 (0.9%)	500 (1.2%)

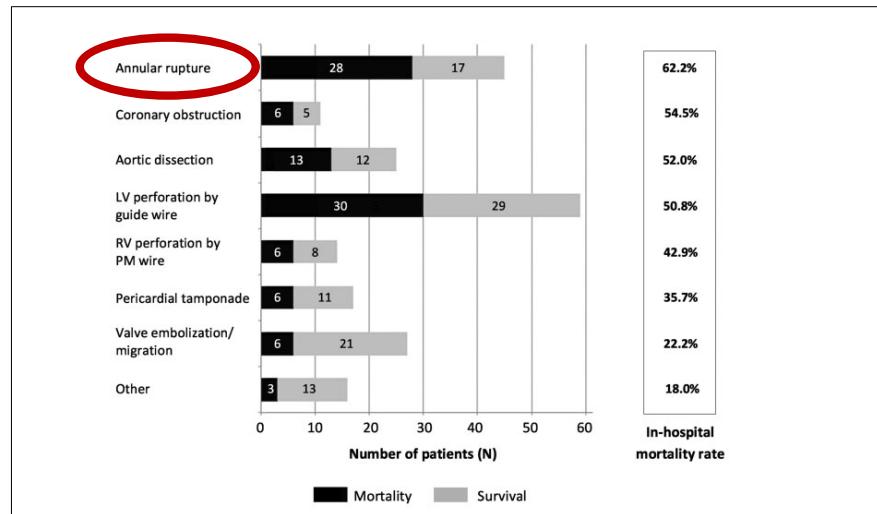
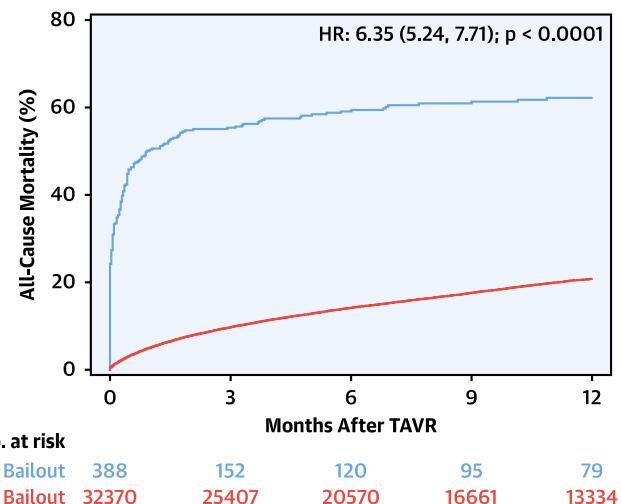
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# Outcome of Emergent Cardiac Surgery

- ECS is associated with significantly worse outcomes, even in the optimal setting including CS;
- **50% in-hospital mortality.**

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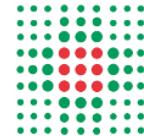


# TAVI at Home

Transfemoral **T**ranscatheter **A**ortic **V**alve  
**I**mplantation (TAVI) **A**t **H**ospital without on-site  
cardiac surgery: early clinical **O**utco**M**E

Studio interventistico, multicentrico ed a singolo braccio.

Obiettivo dimostrare la **sicurezza** e **l'efficacia** della TAVI in centri con caratteristiche HUB per l'emergenza cardiologica in assenza cardiochirurgia on-site.



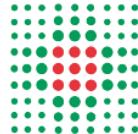
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# TAVI at Home

200 PATIENTI

20 PATIENTI

180 PATIENTI

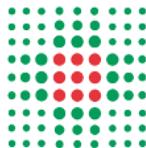


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Endpoint  
primario

Mortalità  
a 30 gg

Endpoint  
secondario

Successo  
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componenti  
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Valve Academic Research Consortium 3:  
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**Technical success (at exit from procedure room)**

- Freedom from mortality
- Successful access, delivery of the device, and retrieval of the delivery system
- Correct positioning of a single prosthetic heart valve into the proper anatomical location
- Freedom from surgery or intervention related to the device\* or to a major vascular or access-related, or cardiac structural complication

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## CRITERI DI INCLUSIONE

Età  $\geq 75$  anni

Pazienti con **rischio proibitivo**

Accesso **transfemorale**

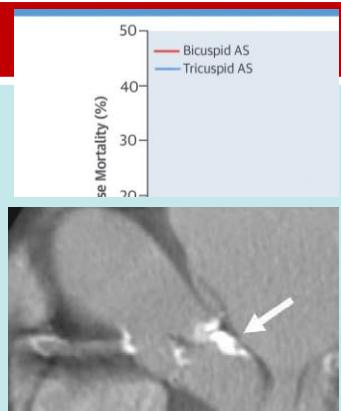
Consenso informato

## CRITERI DI ESCLUSIONE

**Bicuspidi**

**VIV**

**Alto rischio** complicanza strutturale maggiore  
(calcificazioni LVOT, osti coronarici bassi)



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## CARATTERISTICHE DEI CENTRI

Presente regolare attività di TAVI con sistemi organizzativi differenti

> **36 TAVI/anno** (3/mese preferibilmente > 5/mese)

**Terapia intensiva III** livello

**Chirurgia vascolare**

**Cardiochirurgia in rete** con percorso di trasferimento in emergenza entro 60 minuti

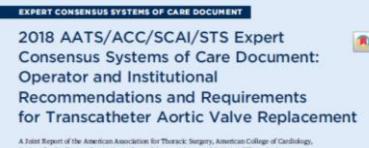


## CARATTERISTICHE DEGLI OPERATORI

Presente un **Team Leader**

- **≥ 30 TAVI/anno** da primo operatore da > **3 anni**
- Esperienza sul coronarico, sull'uso dei device endovascolari e sulla gestione di complicanze periferiche

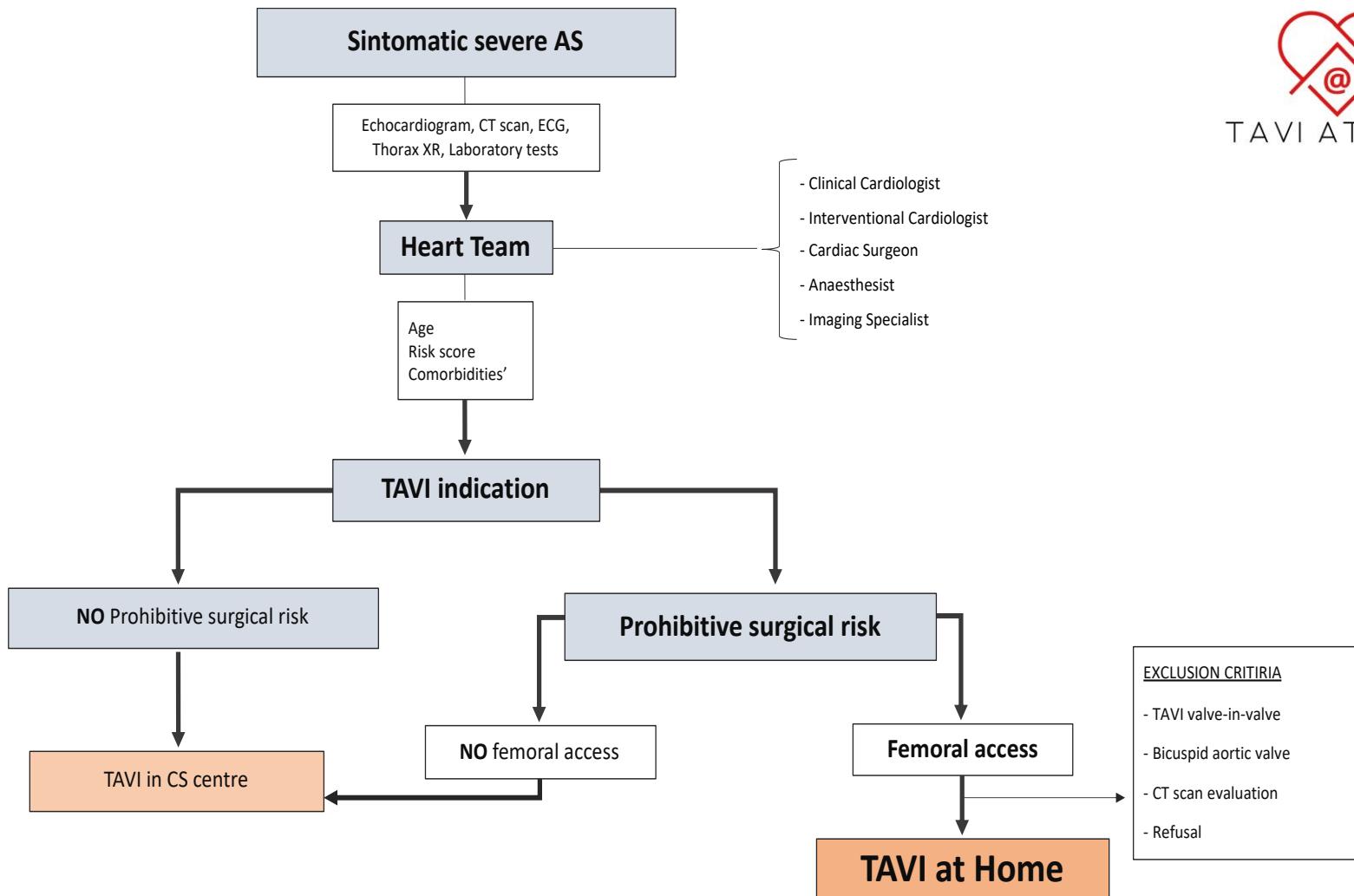
Formazione di **infermieri** e **tecnicici** per preparare i pazienti, utilizzare i dispositivi e gestire le complicanze periprocedurali



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200 PAZIENTI

42 TAVI ESEGUITE

5 TAVI PROGRAMMATE



- AUSL Romagna – Forlì

- AUSL Romagna – Ravenna

- AUSL Romagna – Rimini

- Ospedale 'F. Miulli' – Bari

- Hospital del Mar, - Barcellona (ESP)

20 PAZIENTI



- Saranno ammessi al massimo **4 eventi** per considerare la percentuale di mortalità ancora nel range di variabilità di quella standard.



- AORN Cardarelli, Napoli
- ASST Fatebenefratelli Sacco, M
- Ospedale Cardinal Massaia, As
- ASST Rhodense-Rho, Milano

180  
PAZIENTI



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# TAVI at HOME: patients characteristics

Variable	Overall, n=20 (%)
Age Median (range)	87 (80-93)
Sex Male Female	13 (65) 7 (35)
Prohibitive risk classification (according Varc-2 consensus) Porcelain aorta Fragility	5 (25) 9 (45)
Presence of a patent graft of an internal mammary artery crossing midline and/or adherent to posterior table of sternum  High surgical risk	6 (30)  10 (50)

# TAVI at HOME: patients characteristics

Variable	Overall, n=20 (%)
<b>Clinical features</b>	
<b>High blood pressure</b>	16 (80)
<b>Dyabetes</b>	5 (25)
<b>Prior myocardial infarction</b>	4 (20)
<b>Prior coronary artery bypass graft (CABG)</b>	5 (25)
<b>Prior aortic valvuloplasty</b>	10 (50)
<b>Symptoms</b>	
<b>Syncope</b>	2 (10)
<b>Coronary acute syndrome</b>	2 (10)
<b>Dyspnea</b>	20 (100)
<b>NYHA classification</b>	
<b>Class II</b>	6 (30)
<b>Class III</b>	10 (50)
<b>Class IV</b>	4 (20)



# TAVI at HOME: procedure details and complication

Variable	Overall n=20 (%)
Procedure	
Performed	20 (100)
Valve type	
Balloon expandable	7 (35)
Self-expanding	13 (65)
Technical success	
Yes	19 (95)
No	1 (5)
Uncorrected positioning of a single prosthetic heart valve into the proper anatomical location	1 (5)
Complications	
Bleeding	6 (30)
Type 1	4 (20)
Type 2	1 (5)
Type 3	0 (0)
Type 4	1 (5)
Acute neurological events	1 (5)
TIA	1 (5)
Stroke	0 (0)
Myocardial infarction	1 (5)
Vascular complications	2 (10)
Major	1 (5)
Minor	1 (5)
Valve malposition	1 (5)
Valve migration	1 (5)
New permanent pacemaker implantation	5 (25)
New onset atrial fibrillation	1 (5)
Rehospitalization	1 (5)
Other	1 (5)

Variable	Overall, n=20 (%)
Procedure	
Performed	20 (100)
Procedural death	0
Follow-up	
Performed	16 (80)
Death during follow-up	0
To be performed	4 (20)



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# Take-Home messages

Performing TAVI in qualified **Centres without on-site CS** could be possible and may have significant **advantages**:

- **shortening wait time** for TAVI, which could **reduce** the waiting-list **mortality** and morbidity;
- not performing TAVI with low-procedural risk in **Valve Centres** may increase their availability for more complex procedures;
- TAVI without CS backup could also be important to ensure **equal access** to treatment, particularly in Countries where the number of Valve Centres is limited.

# TAVI-at-HOME messages

- ✓ The TAVI at Home study expresses the **current need to increase the volume of TAVI**
- ✓ It represents an **effective and reproducible organizational model** consisting of HUB hemodynamic centers that perform TAVI with CCH in a network
- ✓ The **correct selection of patients in the Heart Team** and the adequate expertise of the centers/operators are fundamental
- ✓ In addition to **reducing waiting lists**, it will be possible to lighten the overload of the Heart Valve Centers

Grazie !!



