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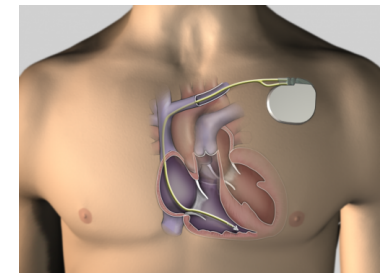
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## *Session Bloc opératoire et IDE – Paramédical*

# Repérer le patient à risque et anticiper les complications



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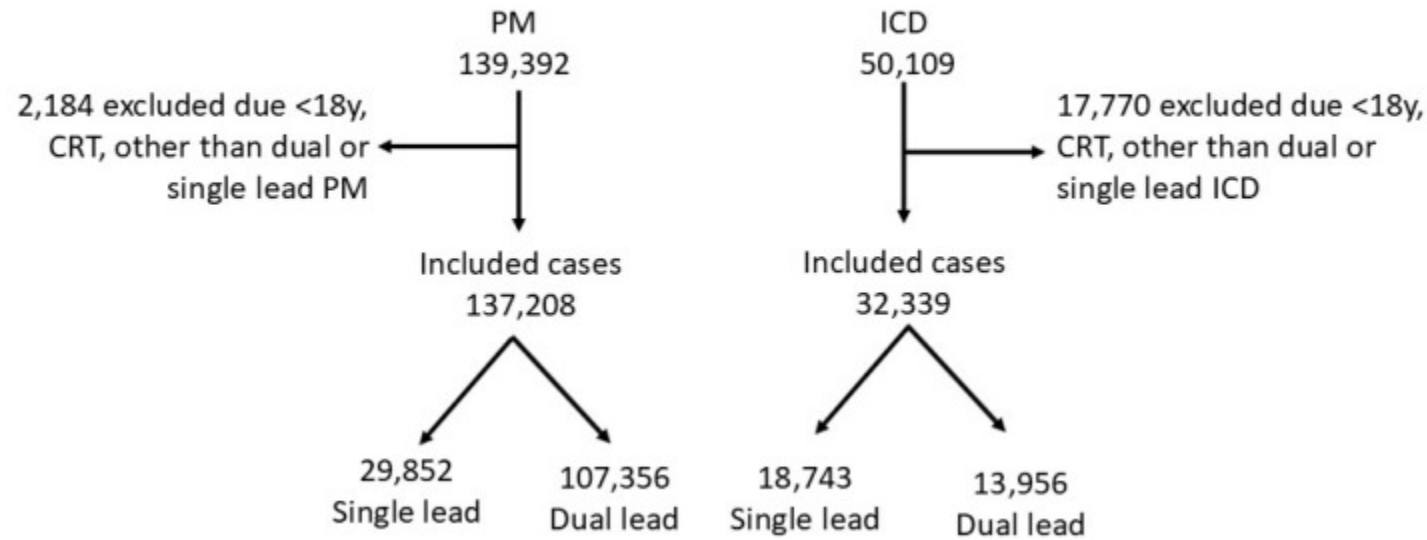
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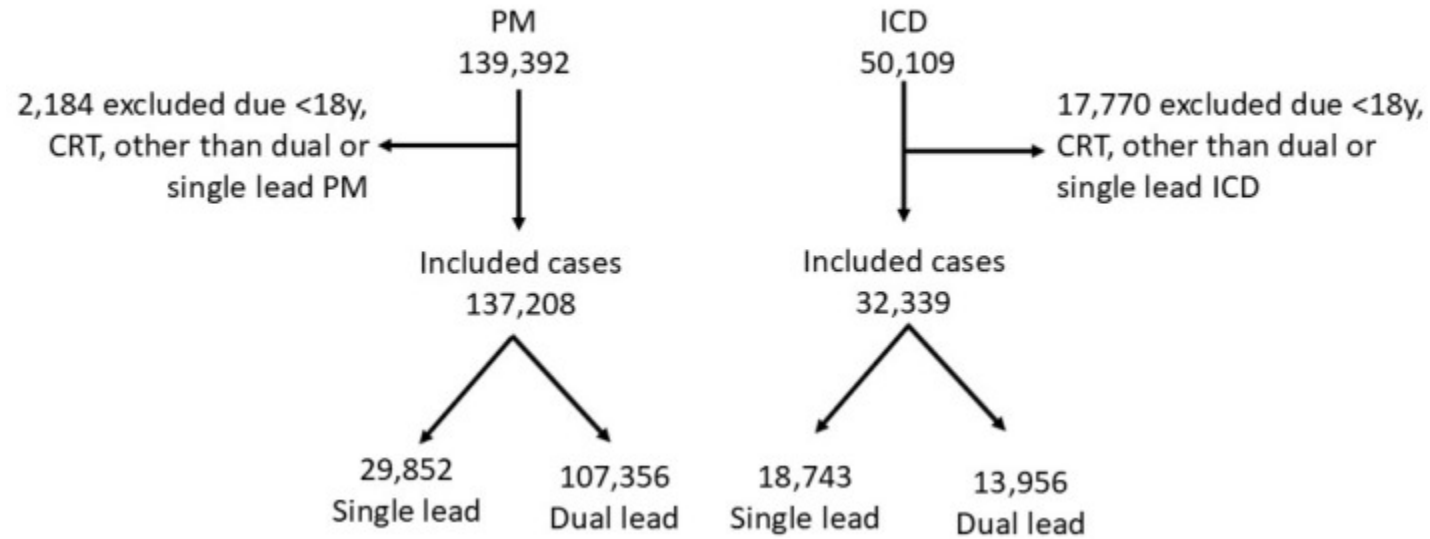
- Je déclare les liens d'intérêt potentiel suivants  
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- Consultant : Biotronik France, Medtronic France
- Honoraires : AstraZeneca, Pfizer

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| Pacemaker    |                  | Perioperative Complications |                     |  |
|--------------|------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|--|
| Total        |                  | No                          | Yes                 |  |
| Single Lead  | 29,852 (21.76%)  | 29,002 (97.15%)             | 850 (2.85%)         |  |
| Dual Lead    | 107,356 (78.24%) | 103,844 (96.73%)            | 3512 (3.27%)        |  |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>137,208</b>   | <b>132,846 (96.83%)</b>     | <b>4362 (3.17%)</b> |  |
| ICD          |                  | Perioperative Complications |                     |  |
| Total        |                  | No                          | Yes                 |  |
| Single Lead  | 18,743 (57.96%)  | 18,482 (98.61%)             | 261 (1.39%)         |  |
| Dual Lead    | 13,596 (42.04%)  | 13,398 (98.54%)             | 198 (1.46%)         |  |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>32,339</b>    | <b>31,880 (98.58%)</b>      | <b>459 (1.42%)</b>  |  |
















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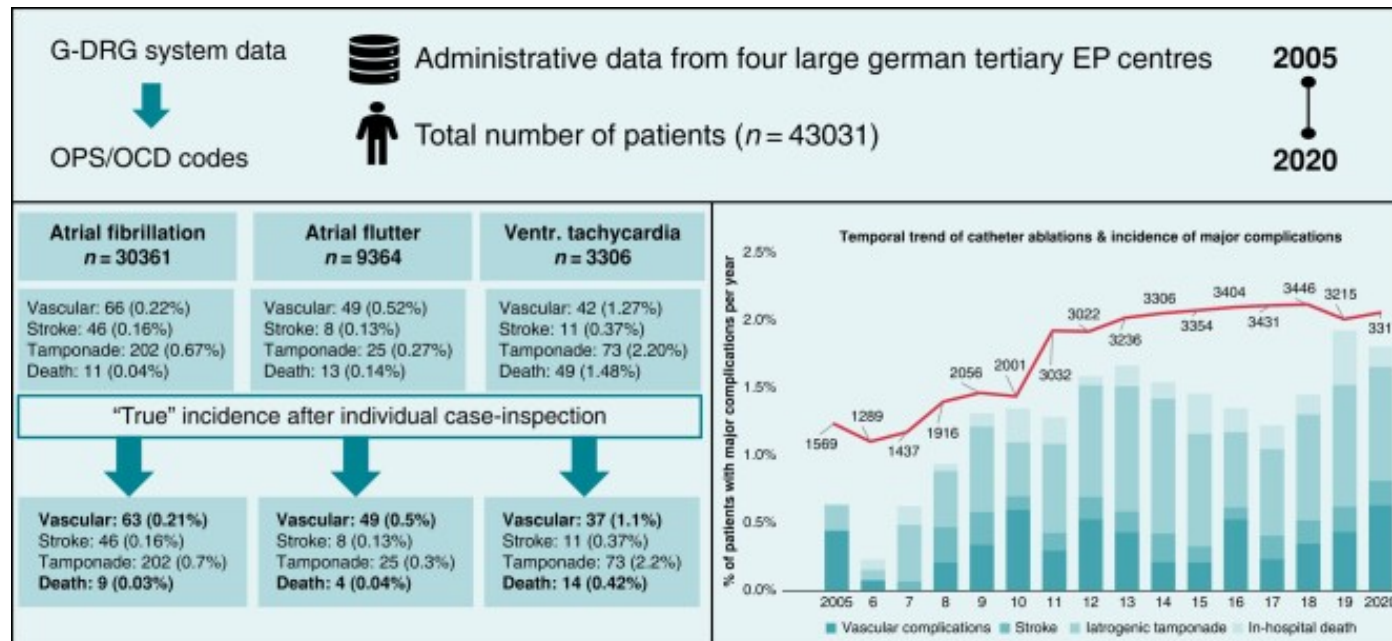


| PM—Discharge Reason              | Perioperative Complication |                |             |          |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|-------------|----------|
|                                  | All                        | No             | Yes         | <i>p</i> |
| Discharge/Transfer, <i>n</i> (%) | 134,877 (98.3)             | 130,712 (96.9) | 4165 (95.5) | <0.001   |
| Mortality, <i>n</i> (%)          | 2331 (1.7)                 | 2134 (1.6)     | 197 (4.5)   | <0.001   |

| ICD—Discharge Reason             | Perioperative Complication |               |            |          |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|------------|----------|
|                                  | All                        | No            | Yes        | <i>p</i> |
| Discharge/Transfer, <i>n</i> (%) | 31,734 (99.5)              | 31,734 (99.5) | 441 (96.1) | <0.001   |
| Mortality, <i>n</i> (%)          | 164 (0.5)                  | 146 (0.5)     | 18 (3.9)   | <0.001   |

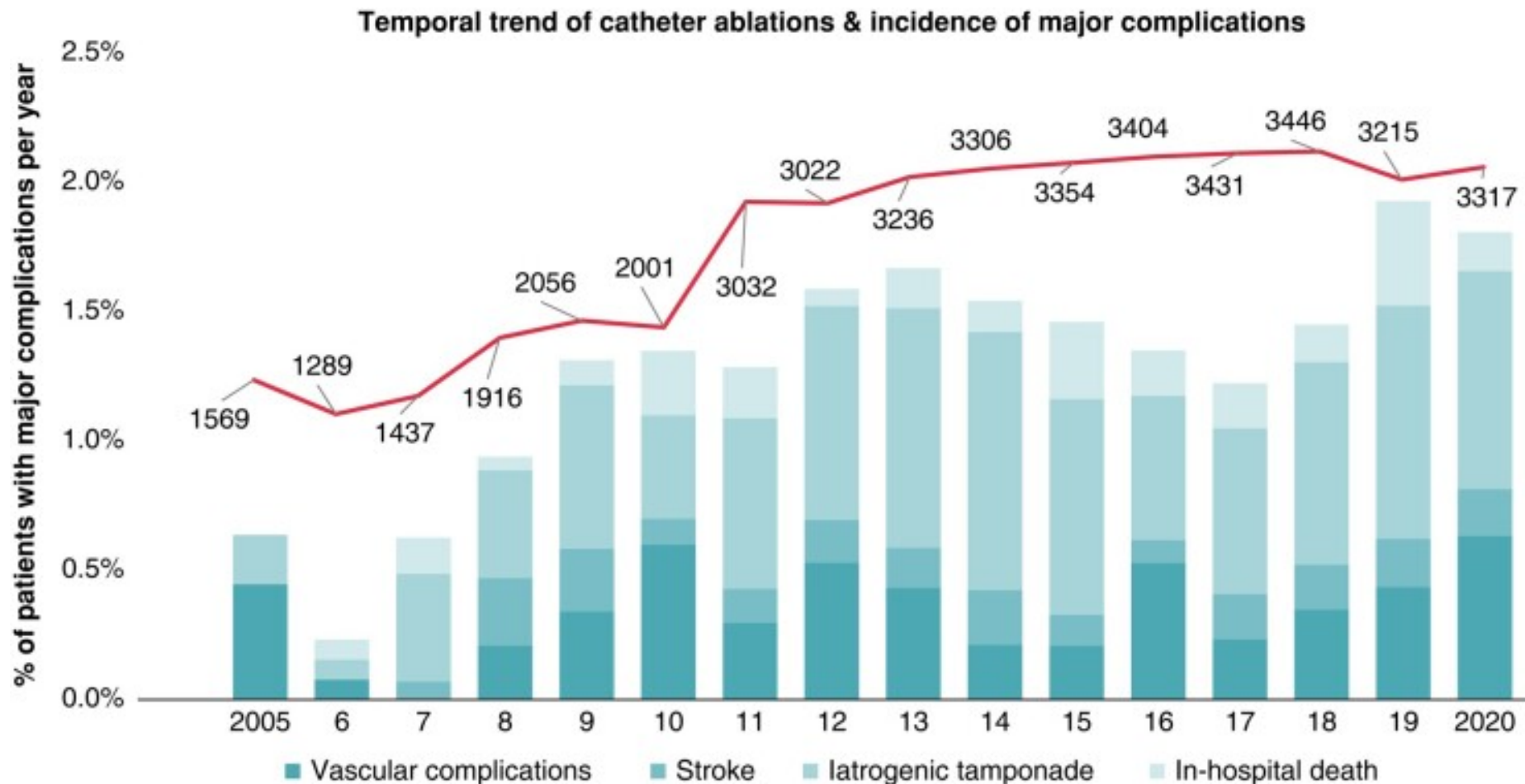
# Major in-hospital complications after catheter ablation of cardiac arrhythmias: individual case analysis of 43 031 procedures

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# Identification du patient à risque

## Quelles procédures ? Profil de risque différent ?

- **Risques liés à la procédure : urgence ou programmée ?**
  - **PM et DAI : nombre d'implantations sans cesse ↑**
    - Primo-implantation, remplacement de boîtier, extraction...
    - Simple, double ou triple chambre
    - Classique, sans sonde ou voies de conduction
  - **Ablations : nombre de procédures sans cesse ↑**
    - Abords vasculaires (ATCD de chirurgie ou RT ?) → risque d'hématome, fistule AV et thrombose aiguë
    - Cavités droite ou gauche ? → risque de tamponnade++, risque TE, risque fistule atrio-oesophagienne
    - Proche des voies de conduction ? (RIN, Kent parahissien...) → risque de BAV
- **Risques liés au profil clinique : HMD stable ou instable ?**
  - **Enfants ou séniors ?** → pas de limite d'âge en théorie
  - **Comorbidités ?** → IR ou respiratoire, cancer..., traitement AAP ou ACO
  - **Risque septique ↑** → prothèses rythmiques, valves, immunodépression...
- **Risques liés à l'environnement : adaptée à la procédure ?**

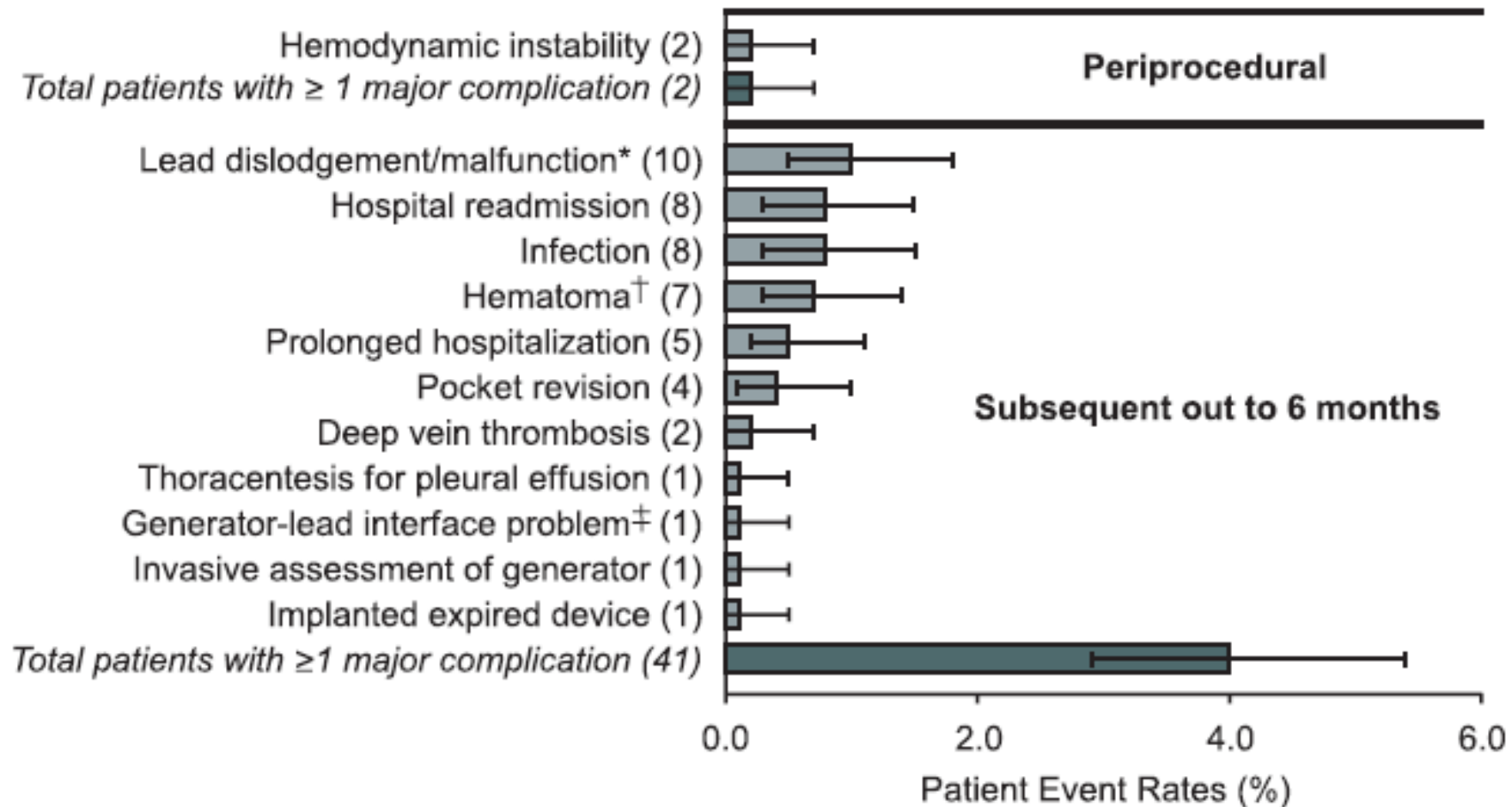
## **Complications liées à la procédure**

*Lesquelles ? Peut-on les  
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# Complications lors de remplacements

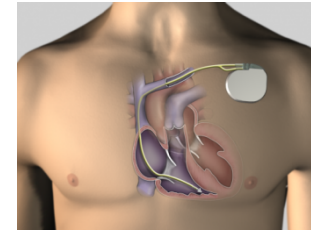
## Aucune procédure en rythmologie n'est simple !

- 1031 patients
- 25% des implantations de DAI sont des remplacements de boîtiers
- Jusqu'à **4% de complications majeures** lors des remplacements et **14% si reprise de sonde ou up-grading** (REPLACE registry, Circulation 2010)



# Complications précoces

Lesquelles ? Peut-on les anticiper ?



|                           |                     | Total,<br>No. (%)<br>(N = 111 293)   |
|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Single-Chamber ICD</b> | <b>(n = 27 819)</b> |                                      |
| Any complication          | 613 (2.2)           |                                      |
| Major complication        | 246 (0.9)           |                                      |
| <b>Dual-Chamber ICD</b>   | <b>(n = 44 506)</b> |                                      |
| Any complication          | 1489 (3.3)          |                                      |
| Major complication        | 647 (1.5)           |                                      |
|                           |                     | Hematoma 1243 (1.1)                  |
|                           |                     | Lead dislodgement 1156 (1.0)         |
|                           |                     | Pneumothorax 548 (0.5)               |
|                           |                     | Cardiac arrest 350 (0.3)             |
|                           |                     | Coronary venous dissection 162 (0.1) |
|                           |                     | Drug reaction 121 (0.1)              |
|                           |                     | Hemothorax 104 (0.1)                 |
|                           |                     | Cardiac perforation 95 (0.1)         |
|                           |                     | Pericardial tamponade 86 (0.1)       |

# Complications after cardiac implantable electronic device implantations: an analysis of a complete, nationwide cohort in Denmark

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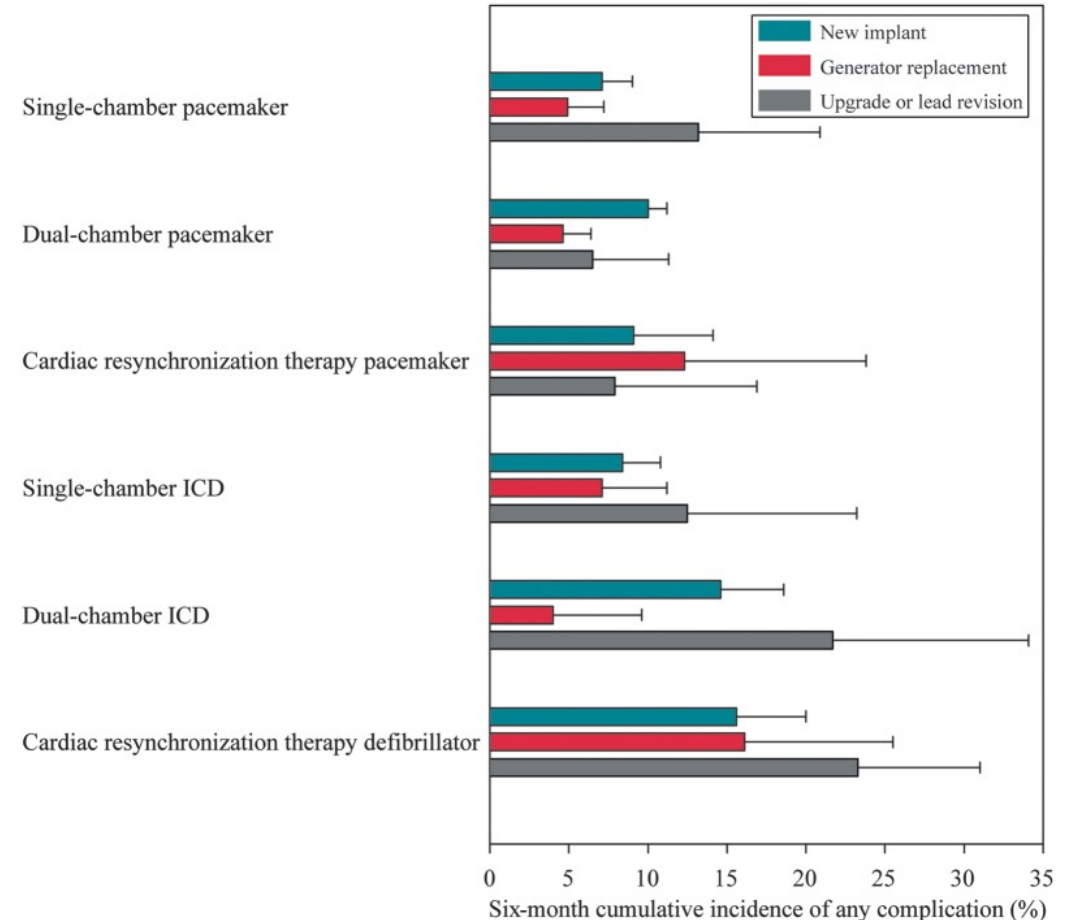
European Heart Journal (2014) 35, 1186–1194



**5918 pts; 9.5% complications**

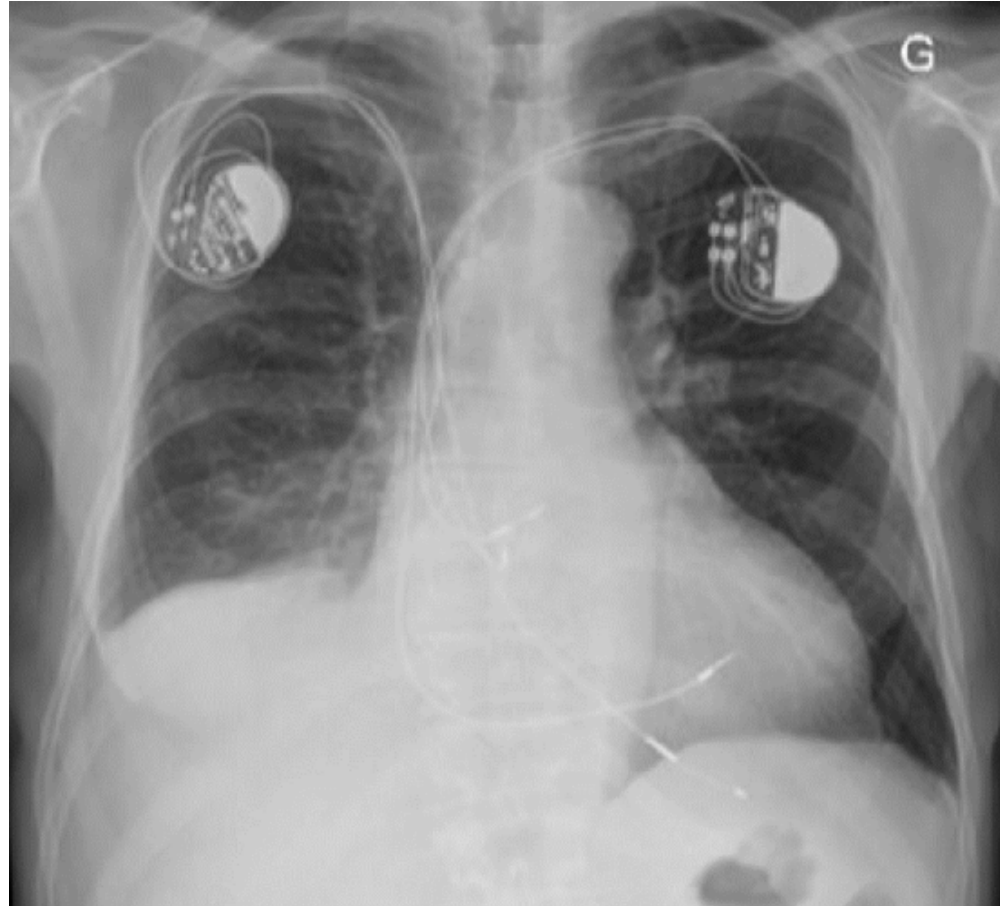
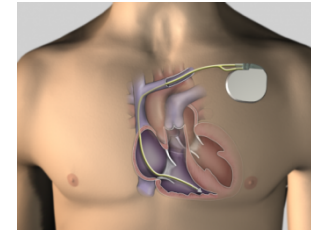
- **5.6% majeures (n = 329)**
- **4.2% mineures (n = 250)**
- **2.7% liées aux sondes (n = 160)**
- **0.8% infections (n = 49)**
- **2.5% hématomes (n = 148)**
- **1.6% pneumothorax (n = 90)**

***Ne réintervenir que lorsque c'est indispensable!***



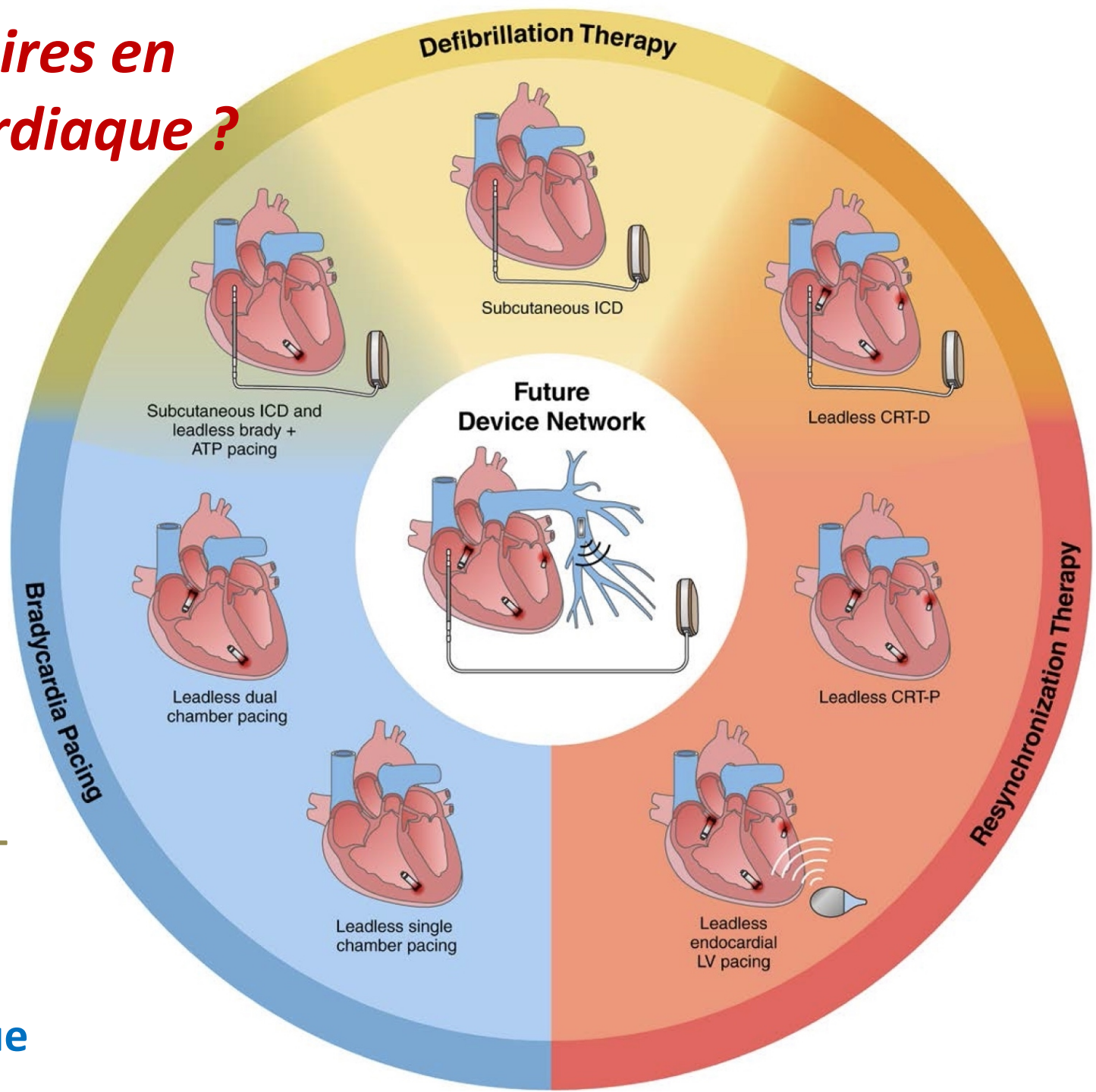
# Complications précoces

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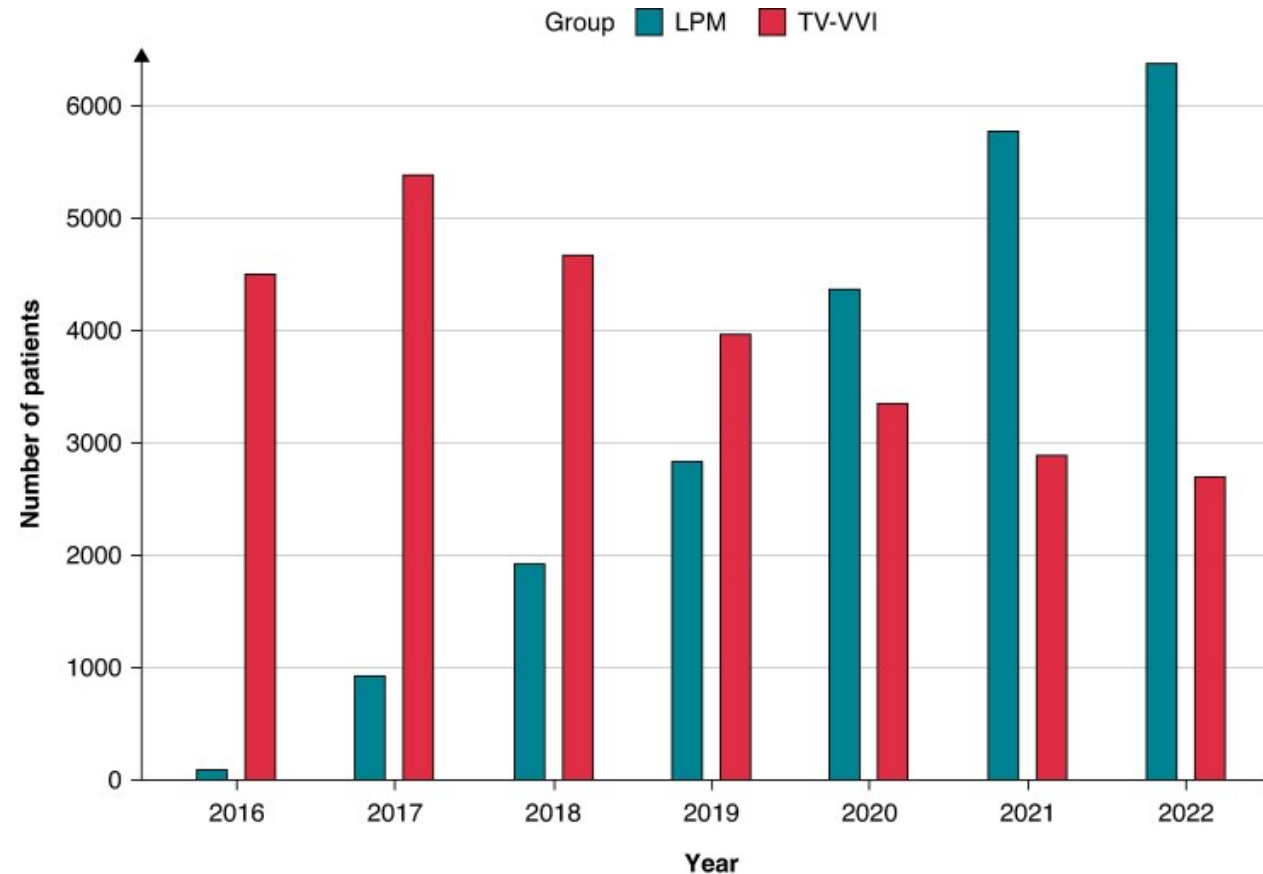
# La fin des sondes endocavitaires en stimulation et défibrillation cardiaque ?

- ✓ Oui++ à moyen terme → maillon faible en PM et DAI
- ✓ Etat de l'art actuel de stimulation sans sonde :
  - Efficacité & sécurité en stimulation VVI
  - 50% réduction risque / VVI classique
  - Futures indications : PM DDD et CRT
- ✓ Développement+++ DAI sous-cutané : 40% des DAI VVI :
  - Validation de son efficacité et sécurité :  
→ PRAETORIAN, UNTOUCHED, ATLAS, HONEST
- ✓ Future : association PM sans sonde + DAI SC → extension des indications
- ✓ Recherche : Biofuel cell : PM biologique



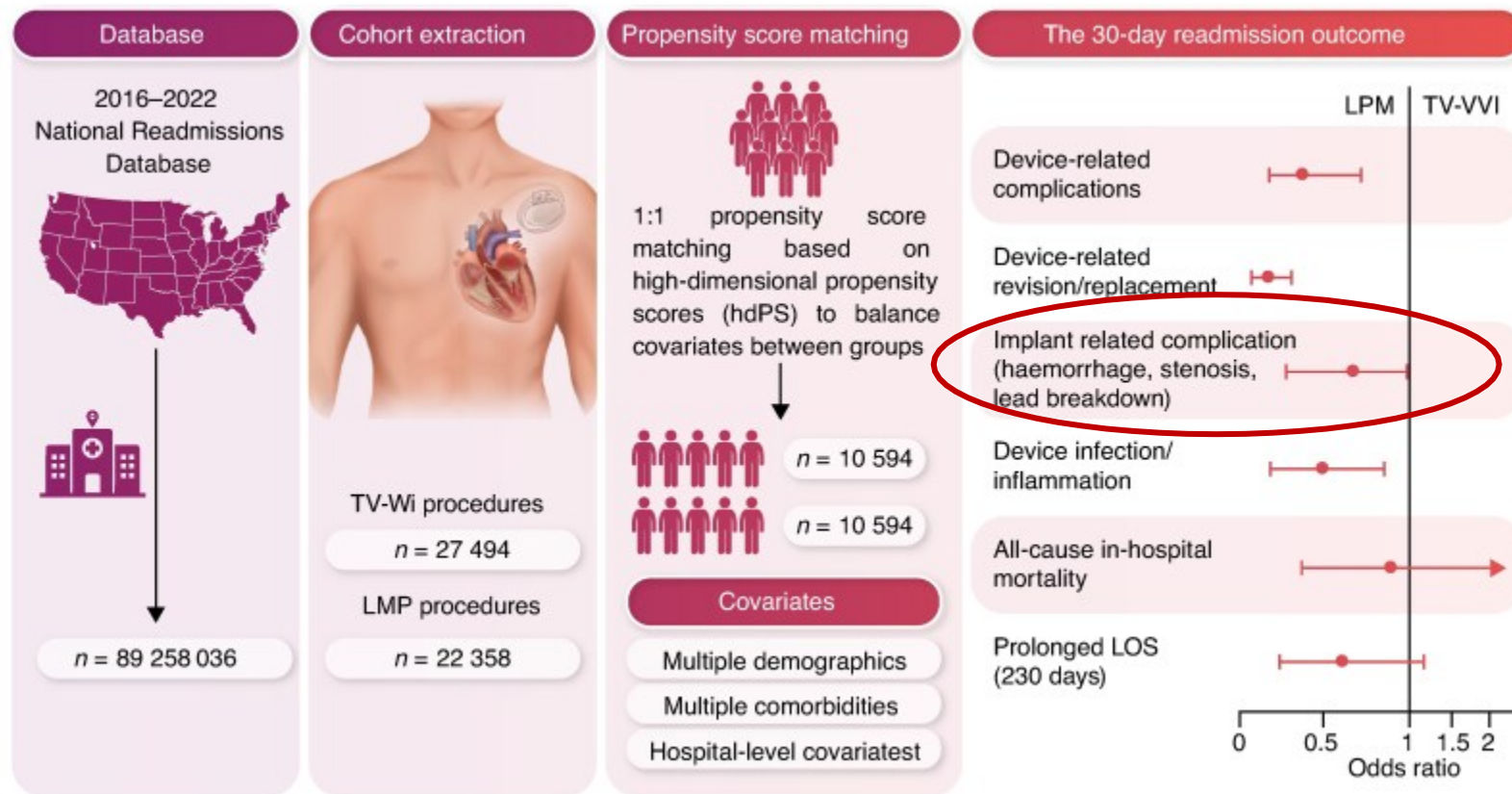
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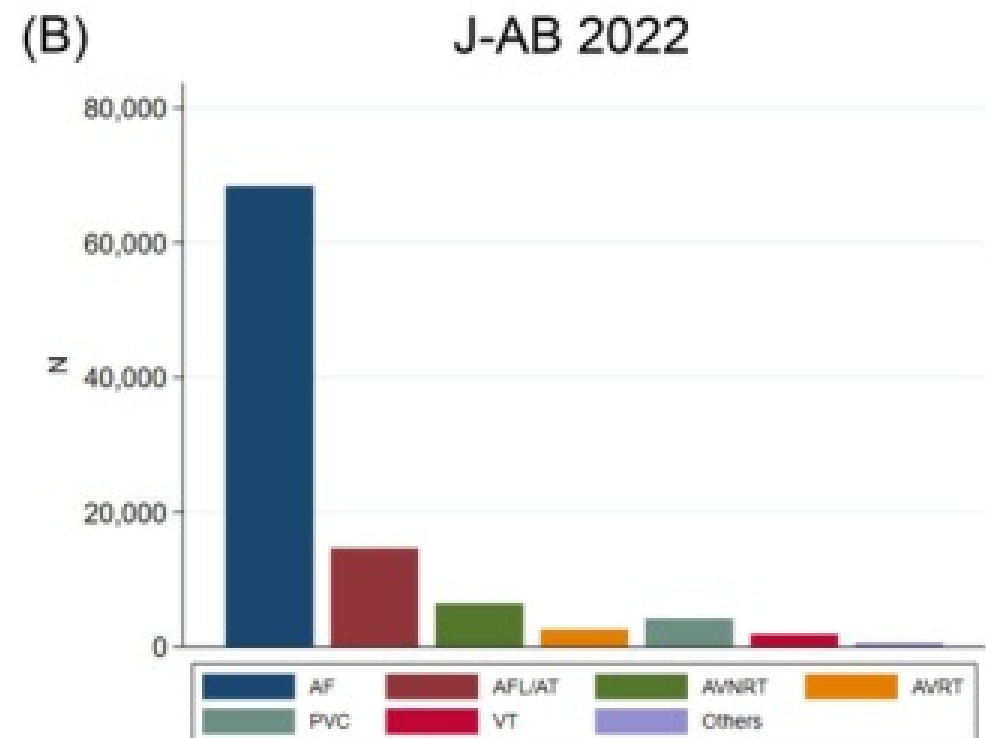
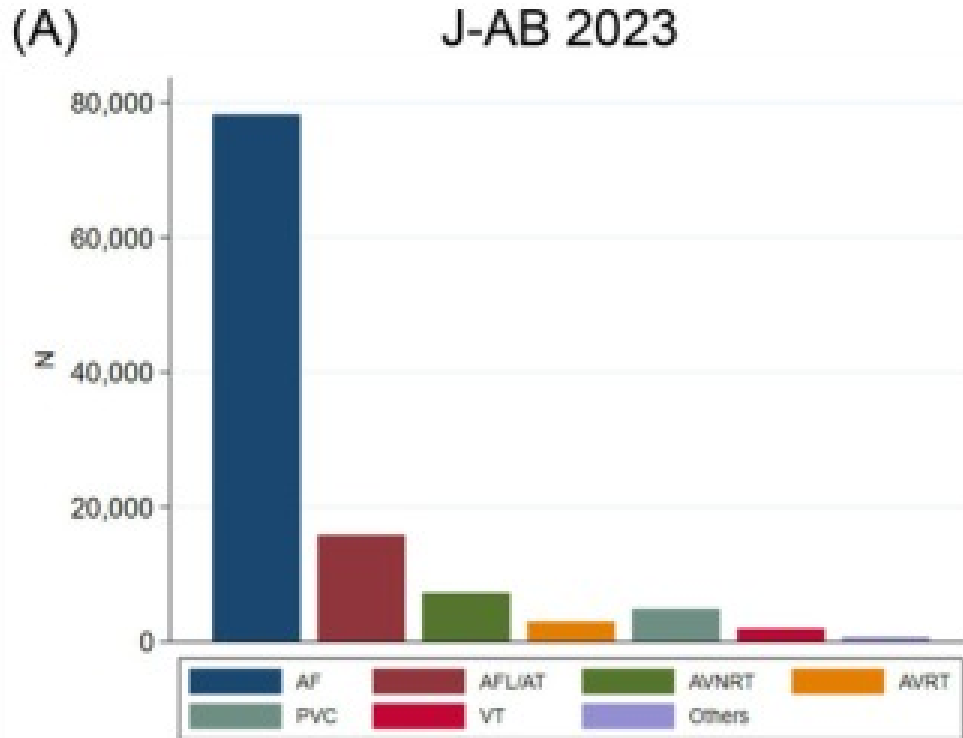
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# Principales complications de l'ablation

## Quelles procédures les plus fréquentes en 2025 ?



Japanese Catheter Ablation (J-AB) Registry



Annual Report in 2023



### Catheter ablation performed in Japan

- 102,584 procedures
- 549 hospitals
- Mean age: 66.9 years
- Male: 65.2%

### Acute complications

- All arrhythmia N=2,101 (2.05%)  
↓ -0.22% from 2022
- Atrial fibrillation N=1,688 (2.16%)  
↓ -0.27% from 2022

# Principales complications de l'ablation

## Lesquelles ? Peut-on les anticiper ?

**Table 16** Procedure-related complications in catheter ablation and thoracoscopic ablation of AF<sup>771</sup>

| Complication severity                 | Complication type                   | Complication rate |                        |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
|                                       |                                     | Catheter ablation | Thoracoscopic ablation |
| Life-threatening complications        | Periprocedural death                | <0.1%             | <0.1%                  |
|                                       | Oesophageal perforation/fistula     | <0.5%             | N/A                    |
|                                       | Periprocedural thromboembolic event | <1.0%             | <1.5%                  |
|                                       | Cardiac tamponade                   | ≈1%               | <1.0%                  |
| Severe complications                  | Pulmonary vein stenosis             | <1.0%             | N/A                    |
|                                       | Persistent phrenic nerve palsy      | <1.0%             | N/A                    |
|                                       | Vascular complications              | 2-4%              | N/A                    |
|                                       | Conversion to sternotomy            | N/A               | <1.7%                  |
|                                       | Pneumothorax                        | N/A               | <6.5%                  |
| Moderate or minor complications       | Various                             | 1 - 2%            | 1 - 3%                 |
| Complications of unknown significance | Asymptomatic cerebral embolism      | 5 - 15%           | N/A                    |

## **Complications liées à l'état clinique du patient**

*Lesquelles ? Peut-on les anticiper ?*

# Procedural and cardiovascular outcomes of geriatric vs non-geriatric patients undergoing permanent pacemaker implantation - a nationwide cohort analysis

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**Table 2.** Complications of permanent pacemaker placement

| Variable (PPM)         | Complications                           |                                  |         |
|------------------------|---|----------------------------------|---------|
|                        | Elderly ( $\geq 70$ years) (n = 328615) | Younger (<70 years) (n = 114845) | P-value |
| AKI                    | 21 (%)                                  | 16.3 (%)                         | <0.01   |
| Vascular complications | 1.2 (%)                                 | 1.1 (%)                          | <0.01   |
| Arteriovenous Fistula  | 0.1 (%)                                 | 0.1 (%)                          | <0.01   |
| Pseudoaneurysm         | 0.1 (%)                                 | 0.1 (%)                          | 0.1     |
| Local site hematoma    | 0.8 (%)                                 | 0.5 (%)                          | <0.01   |
| Hemoperitoneum         | 0.1 (%)                                 | 0.1 (%)                          | 0.8     |
| Hemopericardium        | 0.1 (%)                                 | 0.1 (%)                          | 0.1     |
| Hemothorax             | 0.2 (%)                                 | 0.3 (%)                          | <0.01   |
| Cardiac complications  | 2.8 (%)                                 | 4.4 (%)                          | <0.01   |
| Tamponade              | 0.5 (%)                                 | 0.4 (%)                          | <0.01   |
| Lead dislodgement      | 1.1 (%)                                 | 1.4 (%)                          | <0.01   |

ESRD = End stage renal disease; AKI = acute kidney injury.

# Factors affecting CIED implants in pediatric and congenital heart disease patients

## Epidemiology of disease

Major indications for CIEDs in pediatric and congenital heart disease patients include:

- Postoperative heart block
- Congenital AV block
- Cardiomyopathic syndromes

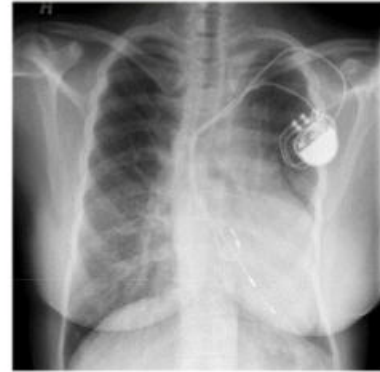
## Cardiac resynchronization

- High burden of obligate ventricular pacing in patients with AV block
- Biventricular and left bundle area pacing strategies feasible in pediatric patients and show promise

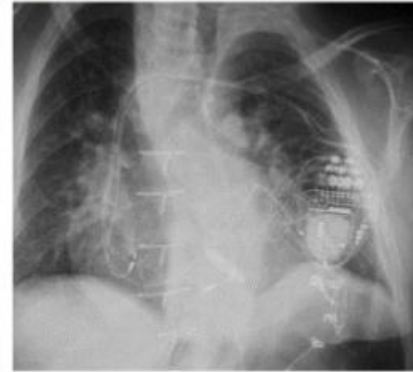
## ICD therapy in children

- Complicated in pediatric patients by active lifestyle and high physiological heart rates
- Increasing interest in subcutaneous and retrosternal ICD systems

## Growth, activity, lifespan



Stretching of transvenous lead due to somatic growth



Multiple revisions in child of epicardial and transvenous systems

In comparison to adult CIED populations, pediatric and congenital heart disease patients...

- Experience substantial linear growth over time, increasing risk of lead failure
- Are more active and have different physiological norms, with mismatch to device algorithms
- Have greater life expectancy, with increased demand for device durability and need for revision

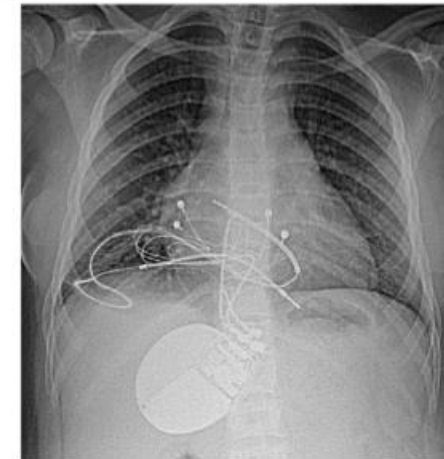
## Anatomy and vascular access

Pediatric patients are generally smaller than adult patients:

- Mismatch of CIED components to cardiac and vascular structure
- Need for creative implantation techniques
- Increased use of epicardial techniques, especially in infancy

Congenital heart disease patients have limited intracardiac access:

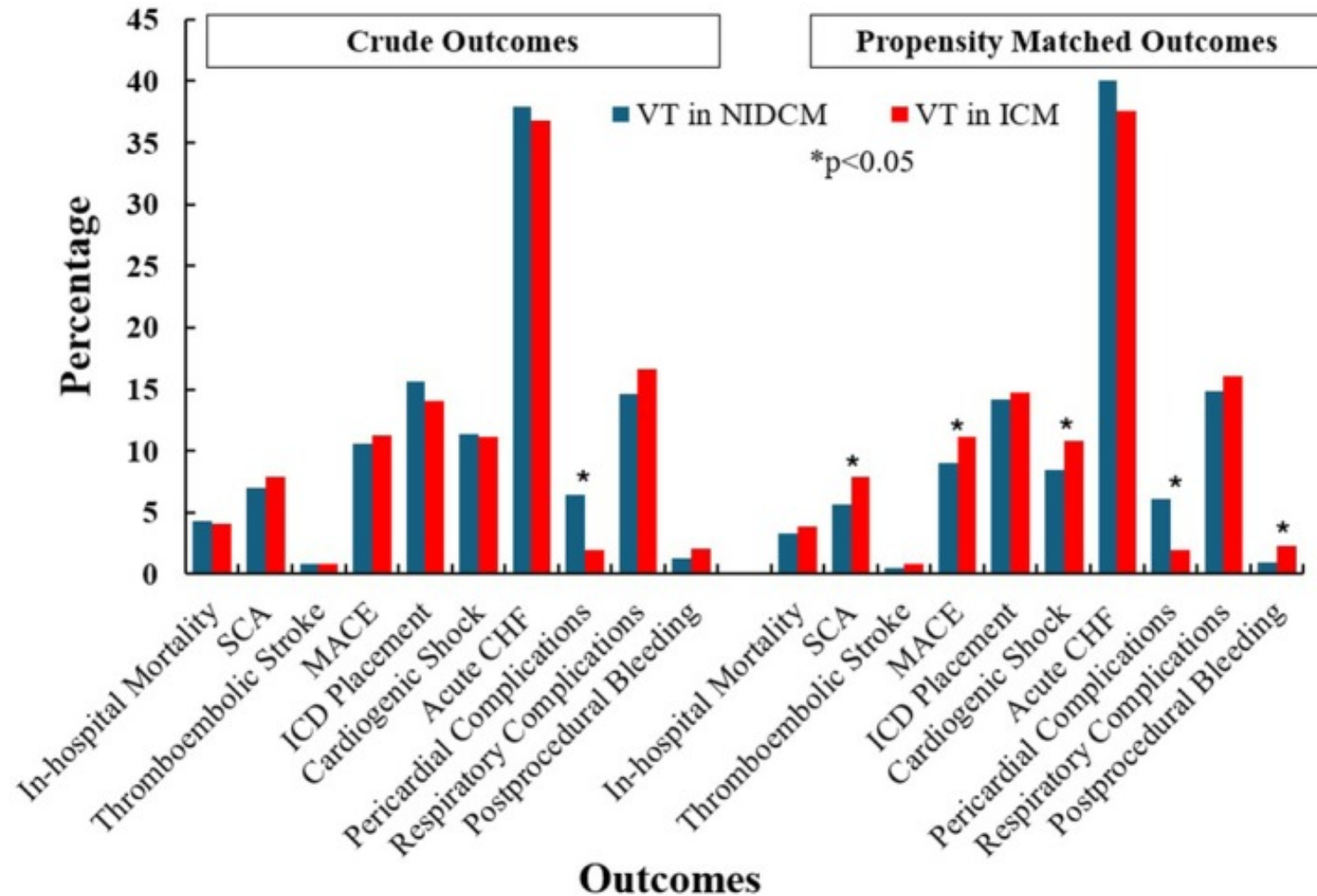
- Presence of intracardiac baffles and shunts



Epicardial ICD implant in infant

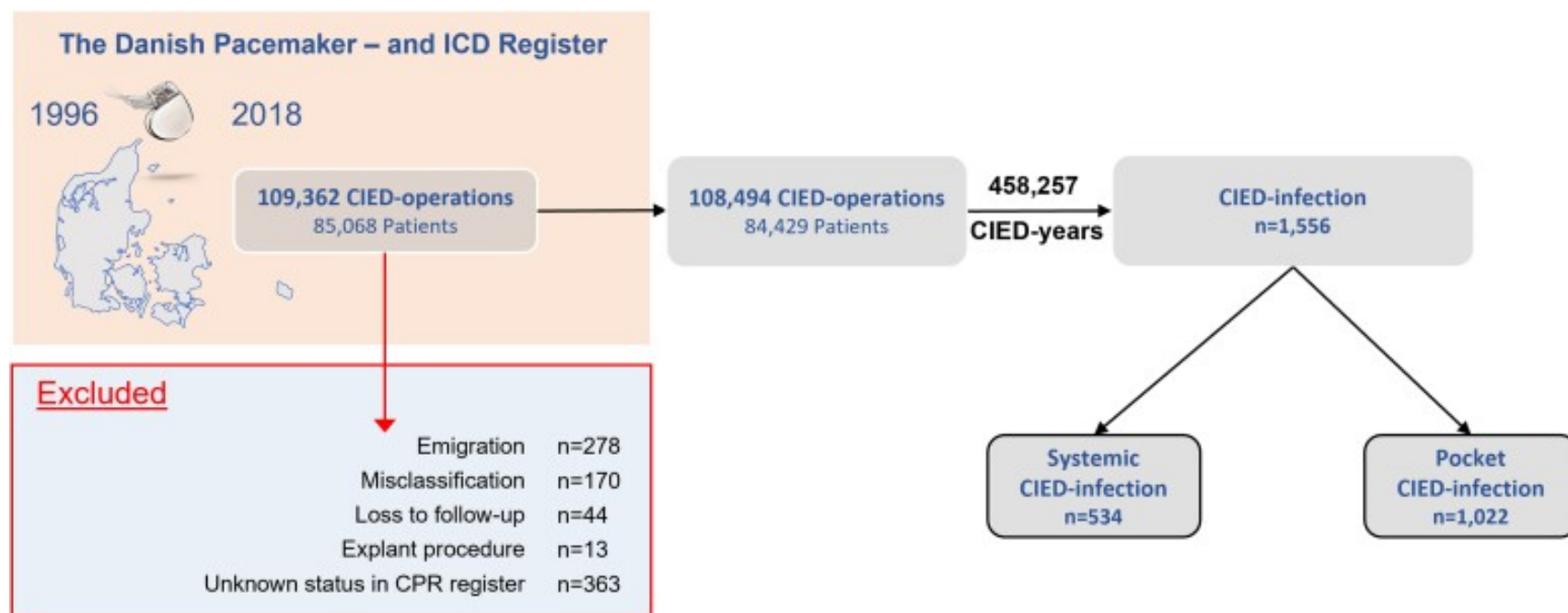
# Principales complications de l'ablation

## Quel profil clinique ? Peut-on les anticiper ?



# Risk factors for cardiac implantable electronic device infections: a nationwide Danish study

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### Key Question

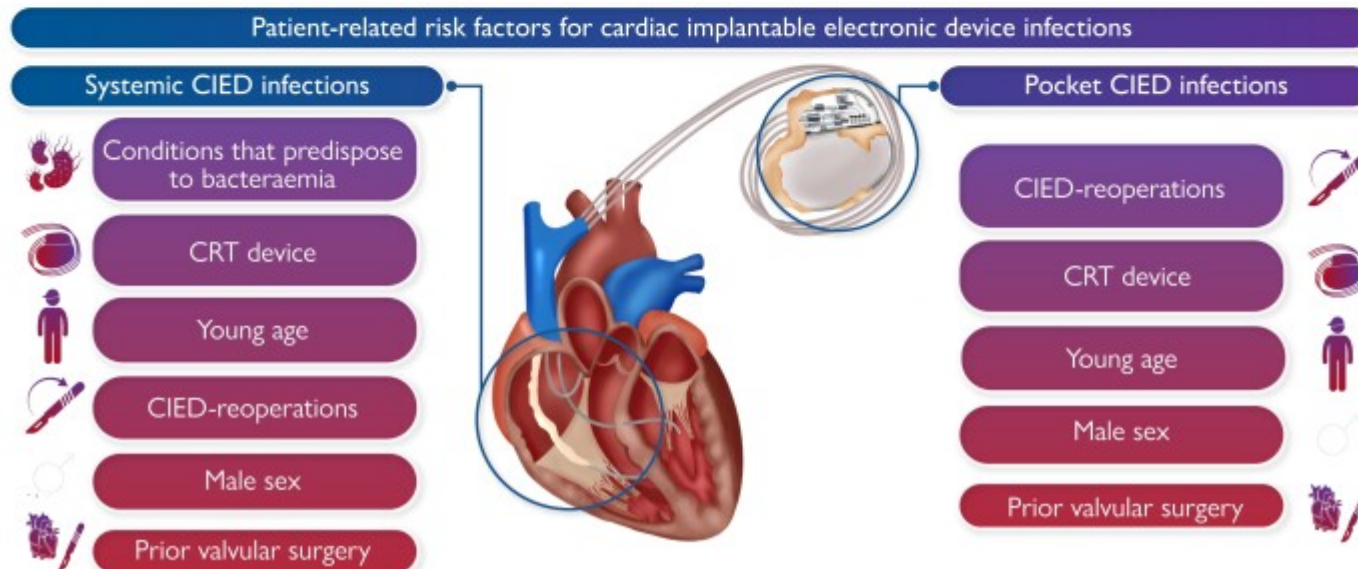
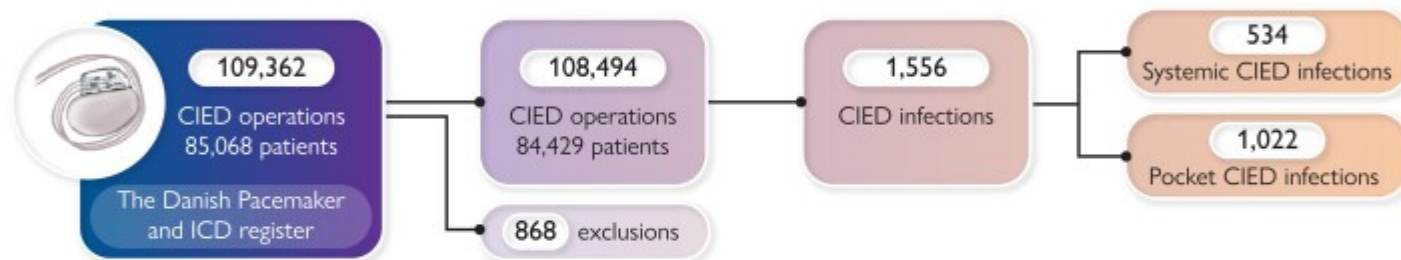
Cardiac implantable electronic device (CIED)-infection is a severe complication in the management of cardiac arrhythmias. Knowledge of long-term patient-related risk factors is scarce. The study aimed to identify lifelong patient-related risk factors for CIED-infections.

### Key Finding

Risk factors differed according to the subtype of CIED-infection. Pocket CIED-infections were mainly associated with CIED-reoperations, young age and more complex type of CIED. Systemic CIED-infections were mainly associated with risk factors predisposing to bacteraemia.

### Take Home Message

Specific comorbidities and surgical procedures are associated with higher risk of CIED-infections but with differences between pocket and systemic CIED-infection.



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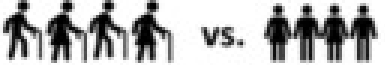


## **Cardiovascular Outcomes in Patients With Cancer Undergoing Cardiac Implantable Electronic Device Implantation**

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### Conclusions

Patients with active cancer undergoing CIED implantation have an increased risk of in-hospital complications and readmissions as compared to those without cancer.

| Study design   | Results   |
|--|---|
| <p>1.132 invasive EP procedures in aged and younger patients</p>  <p>Matching by type and timepoint of procedure</p> <p>Mean age 82.7±2.5 years, range 80 to 95 years</p>  <p>Mean age 64.1±13.3 years</p> <p> Assessment of periprocedural efficacy and safety</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Performed procedures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Atrial arrhythmia ablation including atrial fibrillation treatment (n=732, 64.7%)</li> <li>Cavotricuspid isthmus ablation (n=278, 24.6%)</li> <li>Ablation of ventricular arrhythmias (n=114, 10.1 %)</li> <li>Left atrial appendage closure (n=24, 2.1%)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Periprocedural adverse events (aged vs. younger patients): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Major complications 32 (5.7%) vs. 21 (3.5%) procedures, P=0.12</li> <li>Minor complications 31 (5.1%) versus 17 (20%) procedures, P=0.039</li> <li>Intrahospital deaths 6 (1.1%) vs. 1 (0.2%) procedure, P=0.12</li> </ul> </li> <li>Presence of structural heart disease (Odds ratio 2.38, P=0.0067), procedure duration (Odds ratio 1.98, P=0.0483), contrast medium volume (Odds ratio 2.22, P=0.0262) and type of procedure (other than AF/AT and CTI) (Odds ratio 1.96, P=0.0499) had significant impact on the occurrence of complications and death in the aged group.</li> </ul> |

## Conclusion

Invasive electrophysiological procedures in octogenarians and nonagenarians are feasible, but significantly more minor periprocedural complications and a trend toward more severe complications and intrahospital deaths were observed compared to younger patients. Individual risk-benefit assessment is warranted before invasive procedures in aged patients are performed.

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## Age, Frailty, and Outcomes After Atrial Fibrillation Ablation: A Nationwide Cohort Study

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### Conclusions

Catheter ablation is increasingly performed in older patients. Advanced age and higher frailty are independently associated with adverse outcomes. These factors should be considered when evaluating patients for this procedure, and strategies to mitigate these risks should be explored.

# Identification du patient à risque

## Anticiper les éventuelles complications

- **Avant la procédure : apprêter la salle et consulter le dossier**
  - **Matériel de réanimation présent et fonctionnel dans le bloc ?**
    - Stimulateur, défibrillateur, aspiration...
    - Chariot d'urgence
    - Kit de drainage péricardique
  - **Absence de CI à la réalisation de la procédure ?**
    - Biologie (coagulation, CRP...), allergie, test de grossesse
    - Bonne observance des traitements, bonne identité
    - Examens préalables (ETO, TDM...)
- **Risques liés au profil clinique : bien cibler le patient « fragile »**
  - **Dans la mesure du possible procédure en situation HMD stable**
  - **Prévenir le risque vasculaire** → ponction écho guidée+++
  - **Prévenir le risque infectieux** → ATB prophylactique ± enveloppe ATB
- **Risques liés à l'environnement : adaptée à la procédure !**

# Pt à risque et prévention des complications

## Take Home Messages

- **Il n'y a pas de procédures simples en rythmologie interventionnelle+++**
- **Taux de complications stables malgré ↑ nb procédures car pts fragiles++**
- **Hématomes loges et déplacements sondes en PM/DAI → avènement de PM et DAI sans sondes**
- **Tamponnades et complications vasculaires lors ablations → ponctions écho guidées**

