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# Indicazioni all'impianto di PM ed ICD

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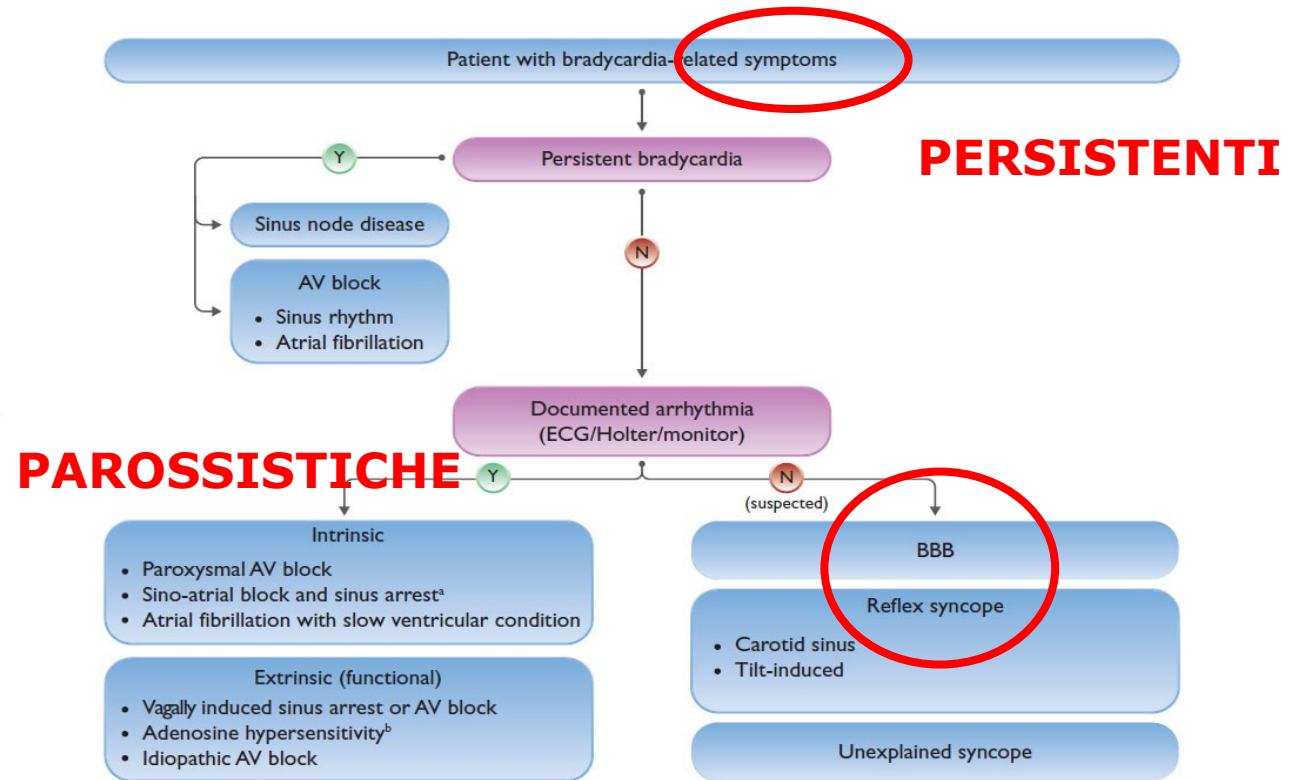
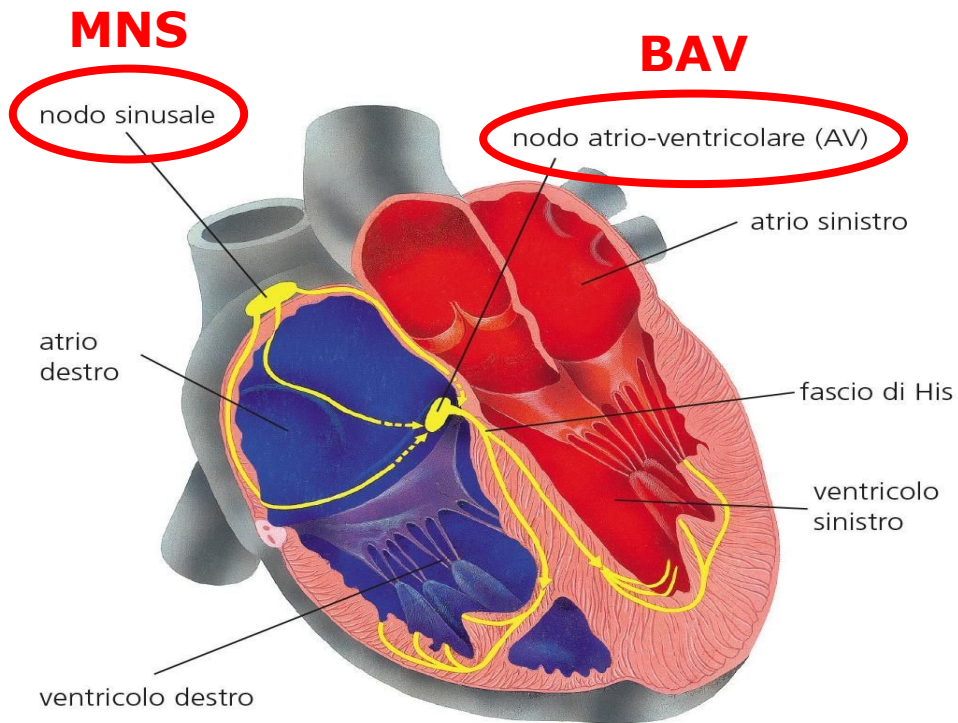
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# Sistema di conduzione cardiaco e bradiaritmie



# Disfunzione del nodo del seno

**MNS+  
SINTOMI  
S. BRADI-  
TACHI**

## Recommendations for pacing in sinus node dysfunction

Recommendations	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
In patients with SND and a DDD pacemaker, minimization of unnecessary ventricular pacing through programming is recommended. <sup>144,151,159,164,166–169</sup>	I	A
Pacing is indicated in SND when symptoms can clearly be attributed to bradyarrhythmias. <sup>14,128–131</sup>	I	B
Pacing is indicated in symptomatic patients with the bradycardia–tachycardia form of SND in order to correct bradyarrhythmias and enable pharmacological treatment, unless ablation of the tachyarrhythmia is preferred. <sup>17,20,21,136–138,170,171</sup>	I	B
In patients who present chronotropic incompetence and have clear symptoms during exercise, DDD with rate-responsive pacing should be considered. <sup>172,173</sup>	IIa	B

**INCOMPETENZA  
CRONOTROPA**

**ABLAZIONE  
FA**

AF ablation should be considered as a strategy to avoid pacemaker implantation in patients with AF-related bradycardia or symptomatic pre-automatized pauses, after AF conversion, taking into account the clinical situation. <sup>136–139,174</sup>	IIa	C
In patients with the bradycardia–tachycardia variant of SND, programming of atrial ATP may be considered. <sup>164,165</sup>	IIb	B
In patients with syncope, cardiac pacing may be considered to reduce recurrent syncope when asymptomatic pause(s) >6 s due to sinus arrest is documented. <sup>133,134</sup>	IIb	C
Pacing may be considered in SND when symptoms are likely to be due to bradyarrhythmias, when the evidence is not conclusive.	IIb	C
Pacing is not recommended in patients with bradyarrhythmias related to SND that are asymptomatic or due to transient causes that can be corrected and prevented. <sup>33</sup>	III	C

ATP = antitachycardia pacing; DDD = dual-chamber, atrioventricular pacing;  
SND = sinus node dysfunction.

<sup>a</sup>Class of recommendation.

<sup>b</sup>Level of evidence.

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# Blocco atrio-ventricolare

**BAV LW+  
SINTOMI**

## Recommendations for pacing for atrioventricular block

Recommendations	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
Pacing is indicated in patients in SR with permanent or paroxysmal third- or second-degree type 2, infranodal 2:1, or high-degree AVB, irrespective of symptoms. <sup>c 9–12</sup>	<b>I</b>	<b>C</b>
Pacing is indicated in patients with atrial arrhythmia (mainly AF) and permanent or paroxysmal third- or high-degree AVB irrespective of symptoms.	<b>I</b>	<b>C</b>
In patients with permanent AF in need of a pacemaker, ventricular pacing with rate response function is recommended. <sup>201–204</sup>	<b>I</b>	<b>C</b>

**BAV  
SENZA  
SINTOMI**

Pacing should be considered in patients with second-degree type 1 AVB that causes symptoms or is found to be located at intra- or infra-His levels at EPS.<sup>177–180</sup>

**Ila** **C**

In patients with AVB, DDD should be preferred over single-chamber ventricular pacing to avoid pacemaker syndrome and to improve quality of life.<sup>20,140,181,182</sup>

**Ila** **A**

Permanent pacemaker implantation should be considered for patients with persistent symptoms similar to those of pacemaker syndrome and clearly attributable to first-degree AVB (PR >0.3 s).<sup>205–207</sup>

**Ila** **C**

Pacing is not recommended in patients with AVB due to transient causes that can be corrected and prevented.

**III** **C**

**BAV I  
GRADO  
+  
SINTO  
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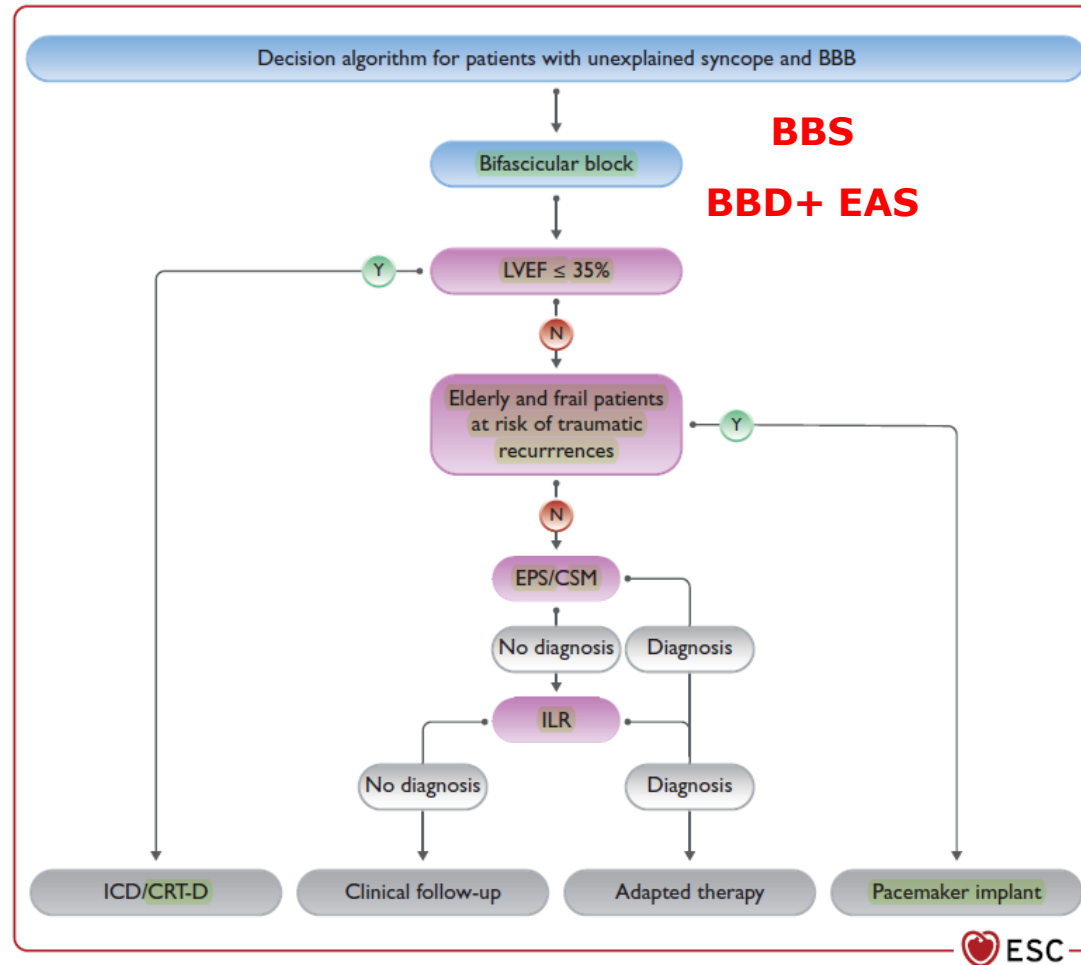


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# Disturbi di conduzione senza BAV



**Figure 6** Decision algorithm for patients with unexplained syncope and bundle branch block. BBB = bundle branch block; CRT-D = defibrillator with cardiac resynchronization therapy; CSM = carotid sinus massage; EPS = electrophysiology study; ICD = implantable cardioverter-defibrillator; ILR = implantable loop recorder; LVEF = left ventricular ejection fraction.

# Blocco di branca

## Recommendations for pacing in patients with bundle branch block

**SEF**

**PM**

Recommendations	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
In patients with unexplained syncope and bifascicular block, a pacemaker is indicated in the presence of either a baseline HV of $\geq 70$ ms, second- or third-degree intra- or infra-Hisian block during incremental atrial pacing, or an abnormal response to pharmacological challenge. <sup>119,120</sup>	I	B
Pacing is indicated in patients with alternating BBB with or without symptoms.	I	C
Pacing may be considered in selected patients with unexplained syncope and bifascicular block without EPS (elderly, frail patients, high-risk and/or recurrent syncope). <sup>213</sup>	IIb	B
Pacing is not recommended for asymptomatic BBB or bifascicular block. <sup>115,121,215</sup>	III	B

**BBD /// BBS  
SENZA SINTOMI**

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BBB = bundle branch block; EPS = electrophysiology study; HV = His-ventricular interval.

<sup>a</sup>Class of recommendation.

<sup>b</sup>Level of evidence.



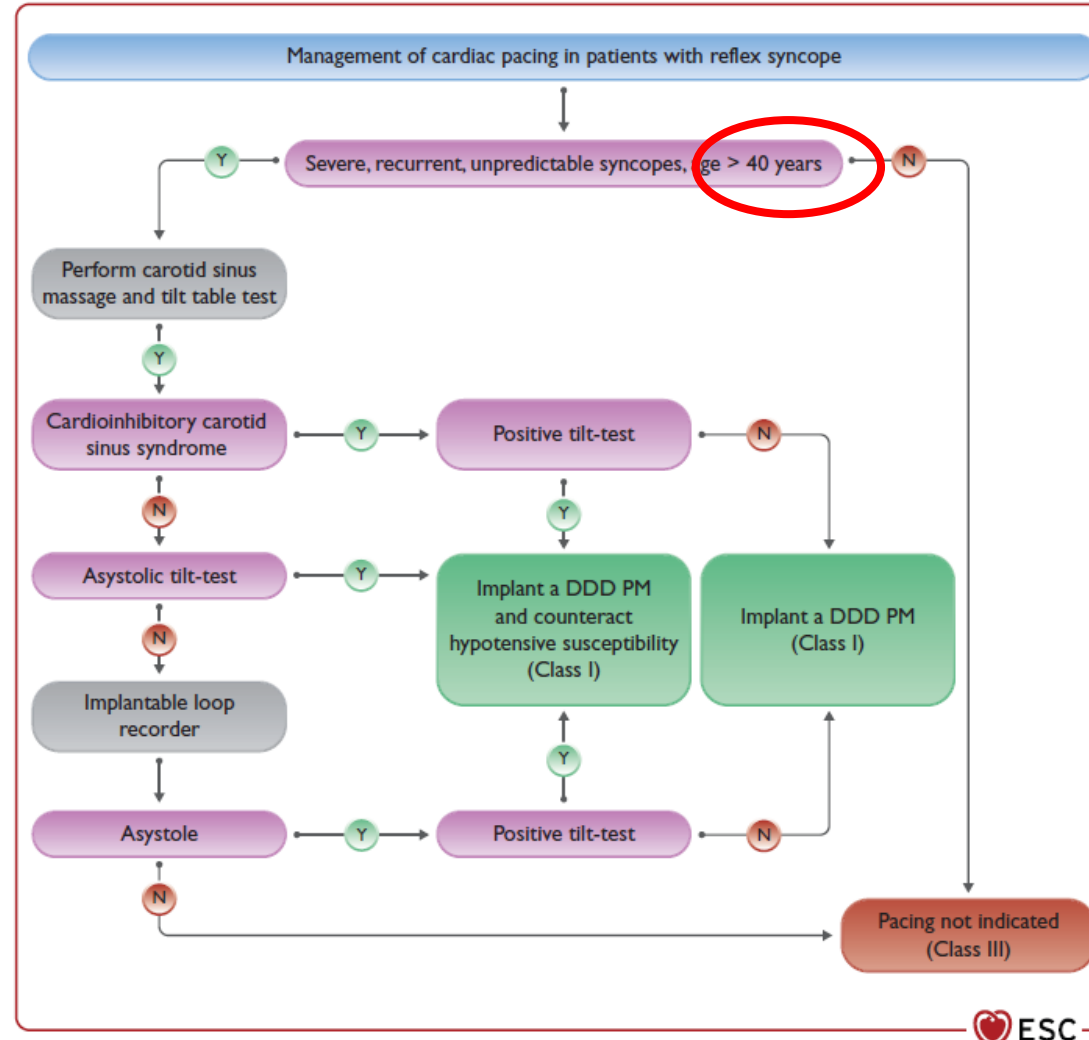
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# Sincope riflessa cardioinibitoria

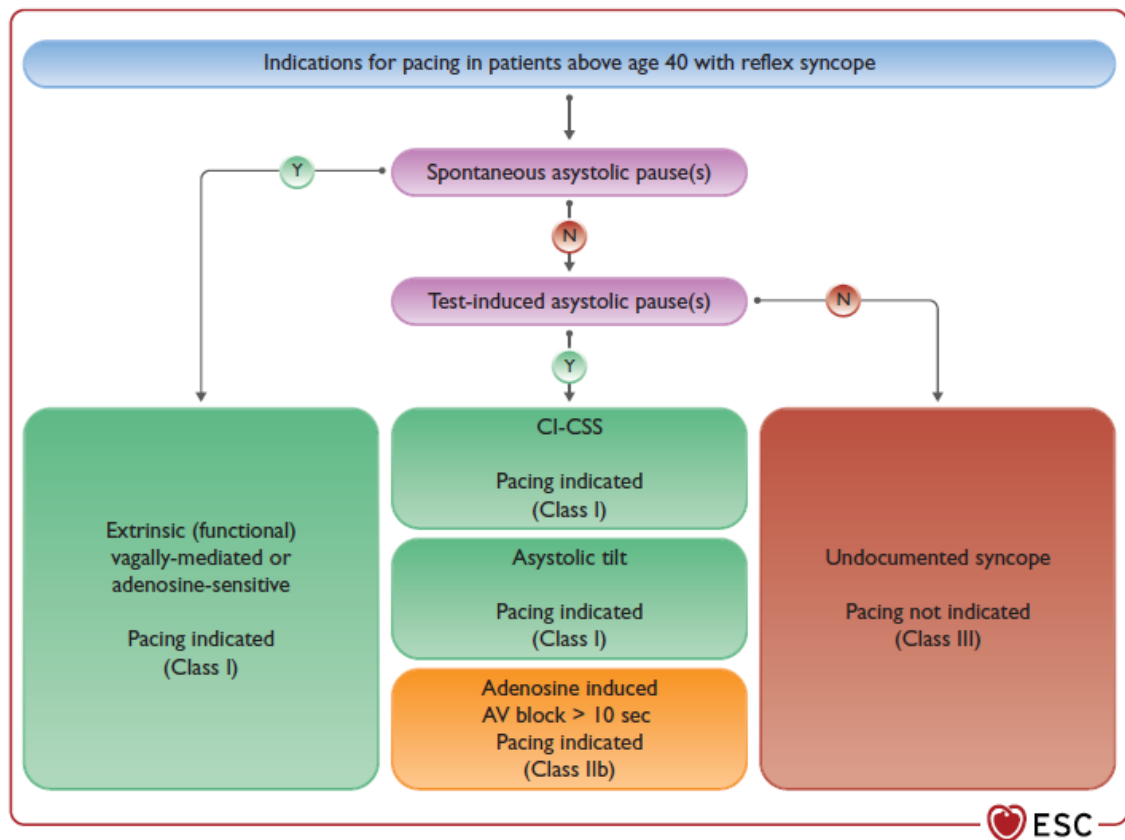
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CARDIOINIBITORI  
A PREDOMINANTE

CORRELAZIONE  
SINTOMI-  
ASISTOLIA  
ASISTOLIA > 3 s +  
SINCOPE

Sindrome seno  
carotideo VS  
ipersensibilità



# Sincope riflessa



## Recommendations for pacing for reflex syncope

Recommendations	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
Dual-chamber cardiac pacing is indicated to reduce recurrent syncope in patients aged >40 years, with severe, unpredictable, recurrent syncope who have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>spontaneous documented symptomatic asystolic pause(s) &gt;3 s or asymptomatic pause(s) &gt;6 s due to sinus arrest or AVB; or</li> <li>cardioinhibitory carotid sinus syndrome; or</li> <li>asystolic syncope during tilt testing.<sup>62,219,220,226,228,229</sup></li> </ul>	I	A
Dual-chamber cardiac pacing may be considered to reduce syncope recurrences in patients with the clinical features of adenosine-sensitive syncope. <sup>230</sup>	IIb	B
Cardiac pacing is not indicated in the absence of a documented cardioinhibitory reflex. <sup>231,232</sup>	III	B

**Figure 8** Summary of indications for pacing in patients >40 years of age with reflex syncope. CI-CSS = cardioinhibitory carotid sinus syndrome. Note: spontaneous asystolic pause = 3 s symptomatic or 6 s asymptomatic. Adapted from Brignole et al.<sup>62</sup>

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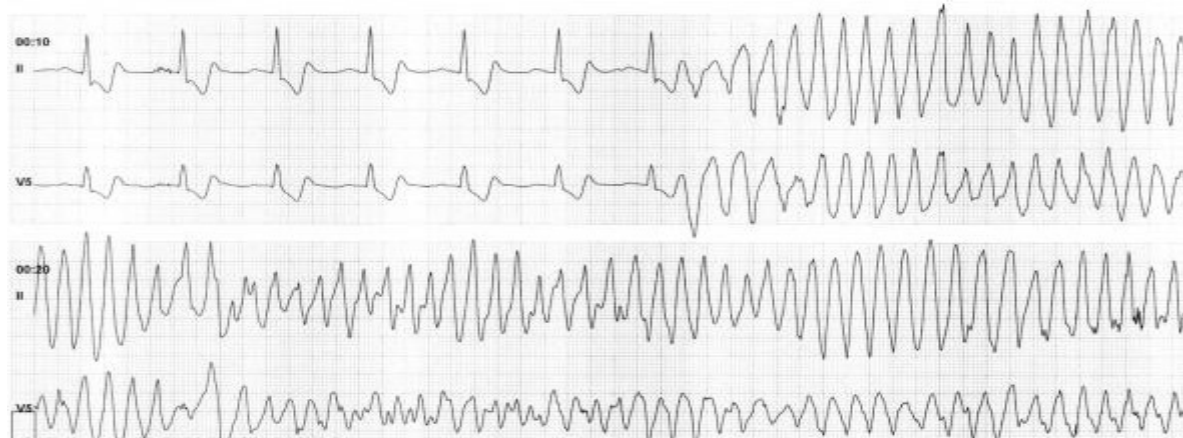
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# Indicazioni all'impianto di ICD

**1. PREVENZIONE PRIMARIA:** pazienti ad **elevato rischio di arresto cardiaco** o **tachiaritmie ventricolari emodinamicamente instabili**

- **HFrEF**
- **Cardiomiopatie** (ipertrofica, displasia aritmogena...)
- **Canalopatie** (S. di Brugada, S. del QT lungo...)

**2. PREVENZIONE SECONDARIA:** **sopravvissuti ad arresto cardiaco** o a **tachicardia ventricolare emodinamicamente instabile**



# Indicazioni all'impianto di ICD

## PREVENZIONE SECONDARIA

### Recommendations for an implantable cardioverter-defibrillator in patients with heart failure

Recommendations	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
<b>Secondary prevention</b>		
An ICD is recommended to reduce the risk of sudden death and all-cause mortality in patients who have recovered from a ventricular arrhythmia causing haemodynamic instability, and who are expected to survive for >1 year with good functional status, in the absence of reversible causes or unless the ventricular arrhythmia has occurred <48 h after a MI. <sup>162–164</sup>	I	A
<b>Primary prevention</b>		
An ICD is recommended to reduce the risk of sudden death and all-cause mortality in patients with symptomatic HF (NYHA class II–III) of an ischaemic aetiology (unless they have had a MI in the prior 40 days—see below), and an LVEF ≤35% despite ≥3 months of OMT, provided they are expected to survive substantially longer than 1 year with good functional status. <sup>161,165</sup>	I	A
An ICD should be considered to reduce the risk of sudden death and all-cause mortality in patients with symptomatic HF (NYHA class II–III) of a non-ischaemic aetiology, and an LVEF ≤35% despite ≥3 months of OMT, provided they are expected to survive substantially longer than 1 year with good functional status. <sup>161,166,167</sup>	IIa	A

## PREVENZIONE PRIMARIA



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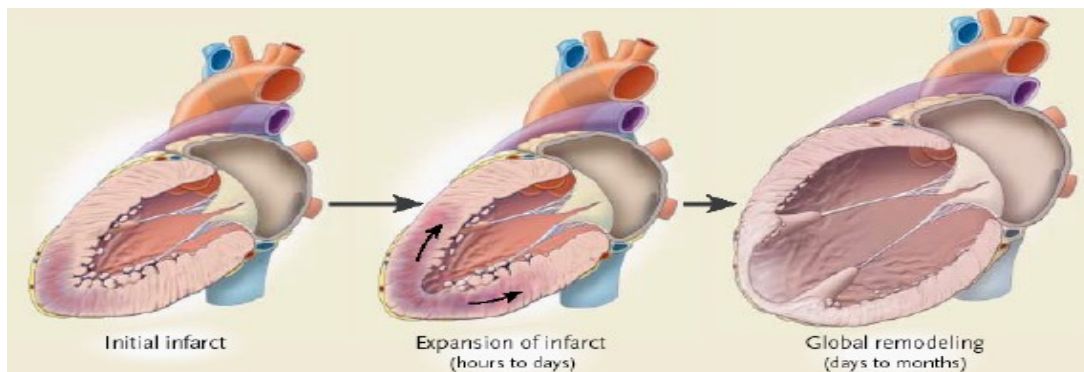
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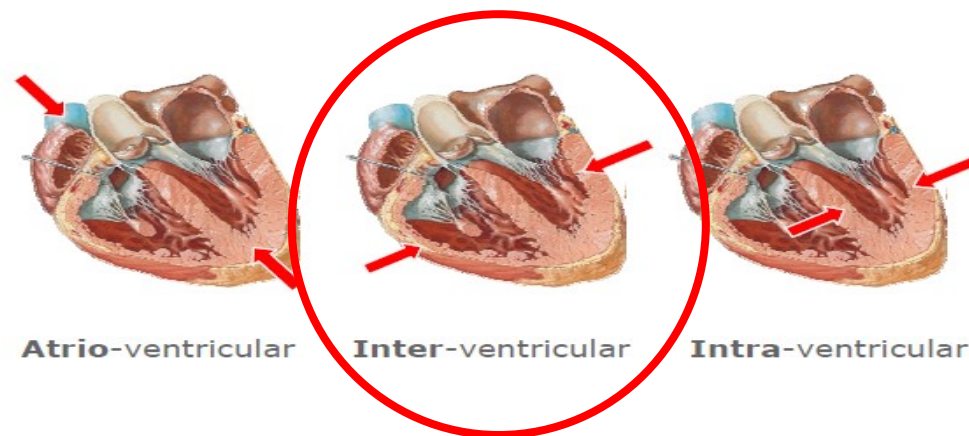
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Scompenso cardiaco →  
**dilatazione** e  
**rimodellamento** delle  
camere cardiache

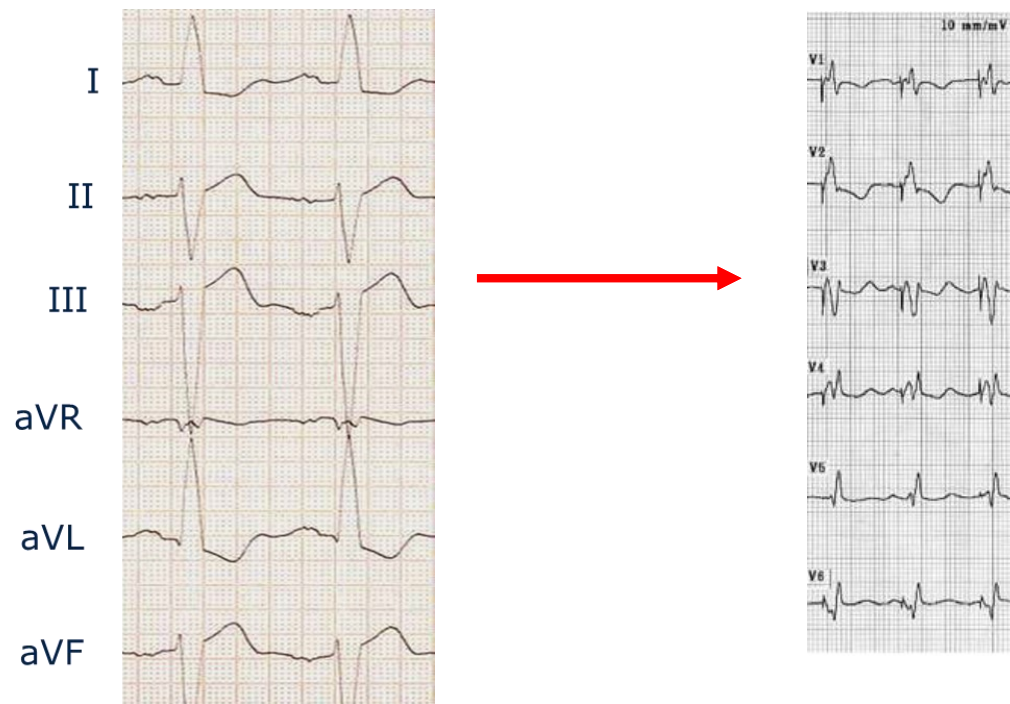
**DISSINCRONIE**, ovvero  
ritardi nella conduzione:

- Atrio-Ventricolari
- **Inter-Ventricolari**
- Intra-Ventricolari



**Obiettivo della CRT = correzione dissincronia fra  
ventricolo destro e sinistro**

# Dissincronia elettrica e CRT



↓ **durata QRS** → rimodellamento

**inverso** → ↓ mortalità e morbilità +

**miglioramento sintomatologico**

# Predittori di risposta alla CRT

**Elevata risposta  
(responders)**

QRS largo, BBSx, femmine, cardiopatia non ischemica

Maschi, cardiopatia ischemica

**Bassa risposta  
(non-responders)**

QRS più stretto, blocco di branca con morfologia non-BBSx



# Terapia di resincronizzazione

## Recommendations for cardiac resynchronization therapy in patients in sinus rhythm

Recommendations	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
<b>LBBB QRS morphology</b>		
CRT is recommended for symptomatic patients with HF in SR with LVEF $\leq 35\%$ , QRS duration $\geq 150$ ms, and LBBB QRS morphology despite OMT, in order to improve symptoms and reduce morbidity and mortality. <sup>37,39,40,254–266,283,284</sup>	I	A
CRT should be considered for symptomatic patients with HF in SR with LVEF $\leq 35\%$ , QRS duration 130–149 ms, and LBBB QRS morphology despite OMT, in order to improve symptoms and reduce morbidity and mortality. <sup>37,39,40,254–266,283,284</sup>	IIa	B
<b>Non-LBBB QRS morphology</b>		
CRT should be considered for symptomatic patients with HF in SR with LVEF $\leq 35\%$ , QRS duration $\geq 150$ ms, and non-LBBB QRS morphology despite OMT, in order to improve symptoms and reduce morbidity. <sup>37,39,40,254–266,283,284</sup>	IIa	B
CRT may be considered for symptomatic patients with HF in SR with LVEF $\leq 35\%$ , QRS duration 130–149 ms, and non-LBBB QRS morphology despite OMT, in order to improve symptoms and reduce morbidity. <sup>273–278,281</sup>	IIb	B
<b>QRS duration</b>		
CRT is not indicated in patients with HF and QRS duration $< 130$ ms without an indication for RV pacing. <sup>264,282</sup>	III	A

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1. HF sintomatico (NYHA  $\geq 2$ )

2. LVEF  $\leq 35\%$

3. QRS  $\geq 130$  msec

## Recommendations for cardiac resynchronization therapy in patients with persistent or permanent atrial fibrillation

Recommendations	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
<b>1) In patients with HF with permanent AF who are candidates for CRT:</b>		
<b>1A)</b> CRT should be considered for patients with HF and LVEF $\leq 35\%$ in NYHA class III or IV despite OMT if they are in AF and have intrinsic QRS $\geq 130$ ms, provided a strategy to ensure biventricular capture is in place, in order to improve symptoms and reduce morbidity and mortality. <sup>302,306,307,322</sup>	IIa	C
<b>1B)</b> AVJ ablation should be added in the case of incomplete biventricular pacing ( $< 90–95\%$ ) due to conducted AF. <sup>297–302</sup>	IIa	B

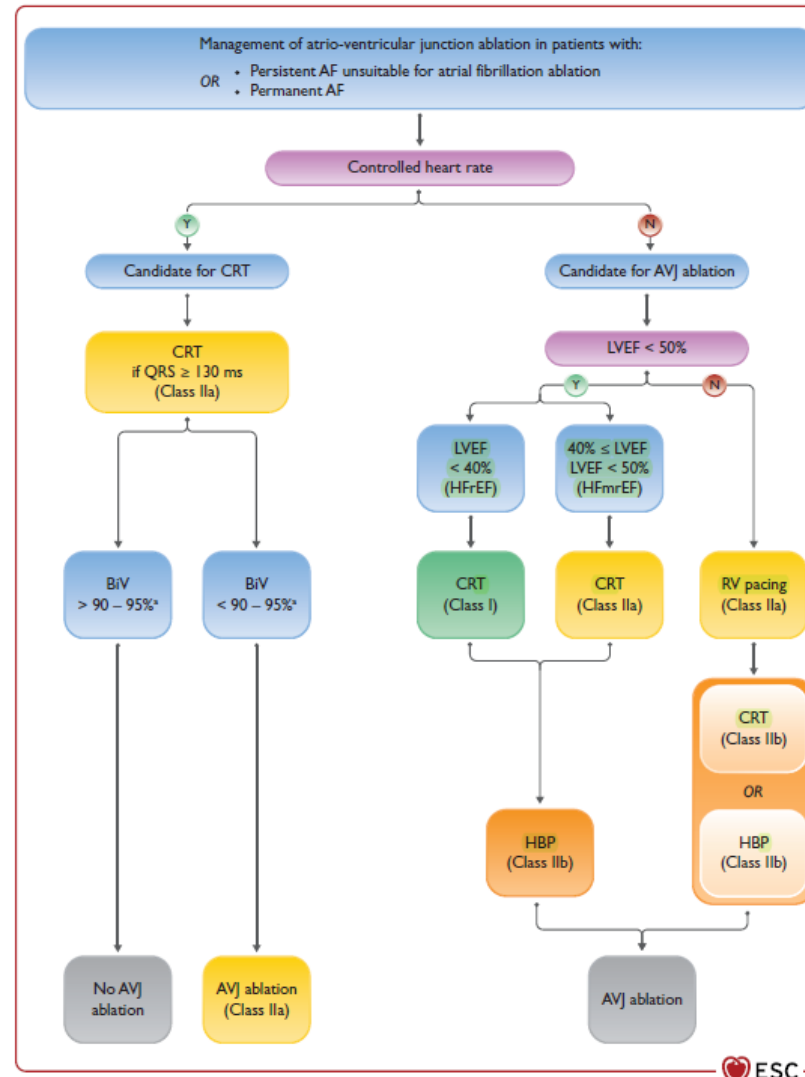


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# Terapia di resincronizzazione



- **Ablate and pace:** in ablazione del nodo AV CRT anche se LVEF lievemente ridotta ( $\leq 50\%$ ) o normale



# Terapia di resincronizzazione

## Recommendation for patients with heart failure and atrioventricular block

Recommendation	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
CRT rather than RV pacing is recommended for patients with HFrEF (<40%) regardless of NYHA class who have an indication for ventricular pacing and high-degree AVB in order to reduce morbidity. This includes patients with AF. <small>183,190,196,268,313,323,357–359,361,362</small>	I	A

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**Elevata % pacing+ FE<40%  
anche se asintomatici**

## Recommendation for upgrade from right ventricular pacing to cardiac resynchronization therapy

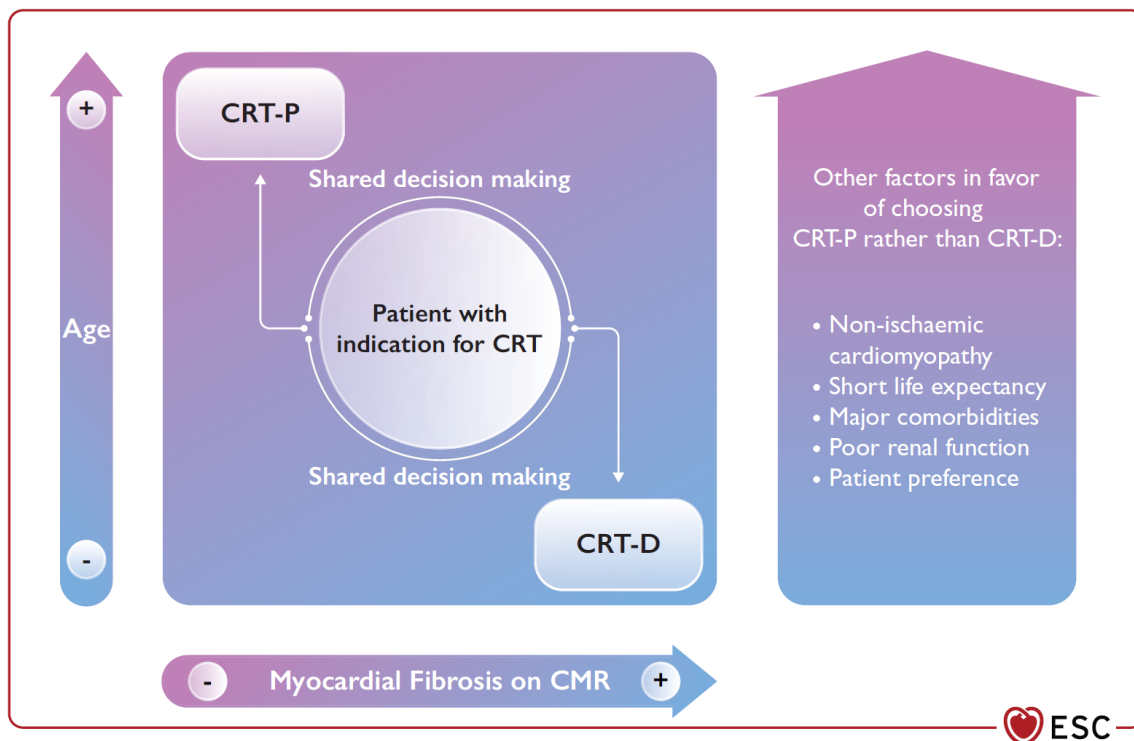
Recommendation	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
Patients who have received a conventional pacemaker or an ICD and who subsequently develop symptomatic HF with LVEF <35% despite OMT, and who have a significant <sup>c</sup> proportion of RV pacing, should be considered for upgrade to CRT. <small>37,148,185,190,324–352</small>	IIa	B

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**Upgrading a CRT**



# Terapia di resincronizzazione



Factors favouring CRT-P	Factors favouring CRT-D
Advanced heart failure	Life expectancy >1 year
Severe renal insufficiency or dialysis	Stable heart failure, NYHA II
Other major co-morbidities	Ischaemic heart disease (low and intermediate MADIT risk score)
Frailty	Lack of comorbidities
Cachexia	

**Migliorare la qualità di vita**



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