

# Sex Differences in Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator (ICD) Implantation indications and outcomes

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# BACKGROUND

- The ICD guidelines apply to both men and women, however,
- gender differences currently exist in the rate of utilization of ICDs.
- Men are 3 times more likely to receive a device for primary prevention and more than twice for secondary prevention
- A recent meta-analysis found no survival benefit for ICDs in women with heart failure and primary prevention indication





### To compare

- The indication for ICD implantation
- The type of ICD implanted
- The re-intervention rate
- outcomes

In women vs. men





# METHODS

- The Israeli ICD registry is a prospective nationwide database of all ICD implants.
- All ICDs implants 7/2010-6/2012
- Web based CRF at implant / re-do procedure
- Follow up cohort centers interrogated
  - Median FU time ~ 12 months
  - Centers compliance rate ~ 50%



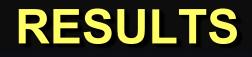
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RESULTS

### Baseline cohort 2811 subjects (17% women)

N (%)	Women	Men	p-
	N=485	N=2326	value
Age mean <u>+</u> SD	64 <u>+</u> 13	65 <u>+</u> 12	0.14
Diabetes	156 (32)	871 (38)	0.02
Hypertension	275 (57)	1484 (64)	<0.01
Dyslipidemia	237 (49)	1301 (56)	<0.01
Smoking	60 (13)	819 (36)	<0.01



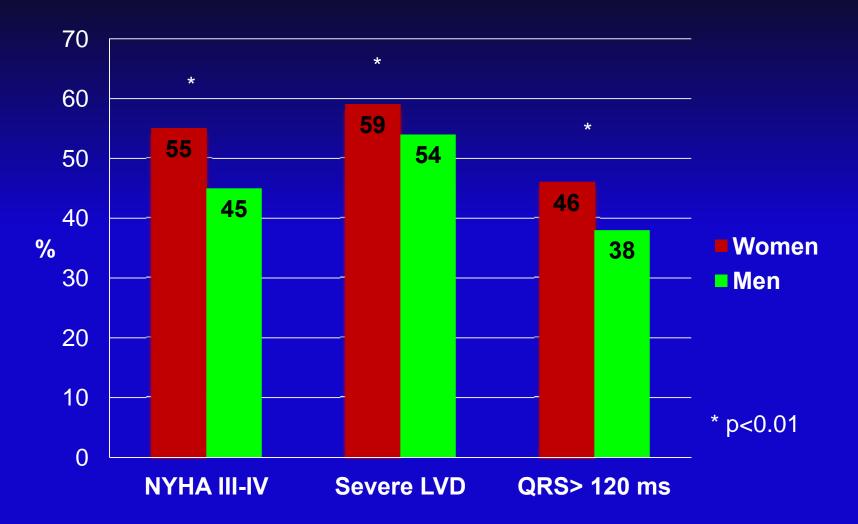


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Ischemic cardiomyopathy	229 (47)	1862 (80)	<0.01
Severe LV dysfunction (LVEF<30%)	271 (59)	1253 (54)	<0.01
Atrial fibrillation	102 (21)	493 (21)	0.91
Heart failure; NYHA class			<0.01
I - II	177 (45)	1018 (55)	
III - IV	217 (55)	841 (45)	



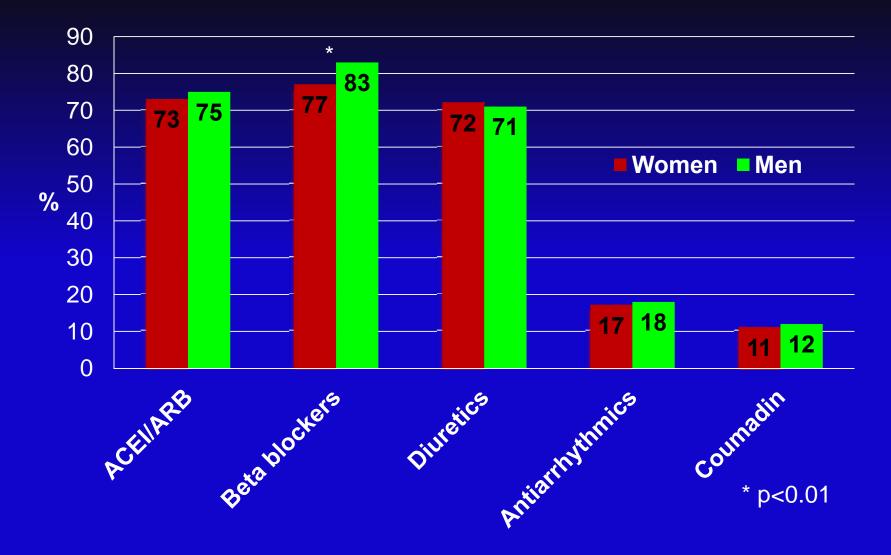






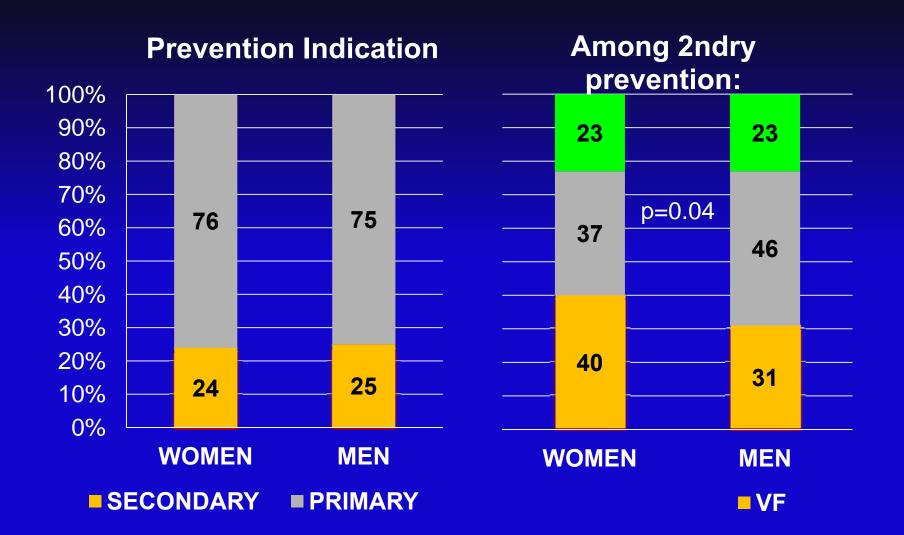


## RESULTS





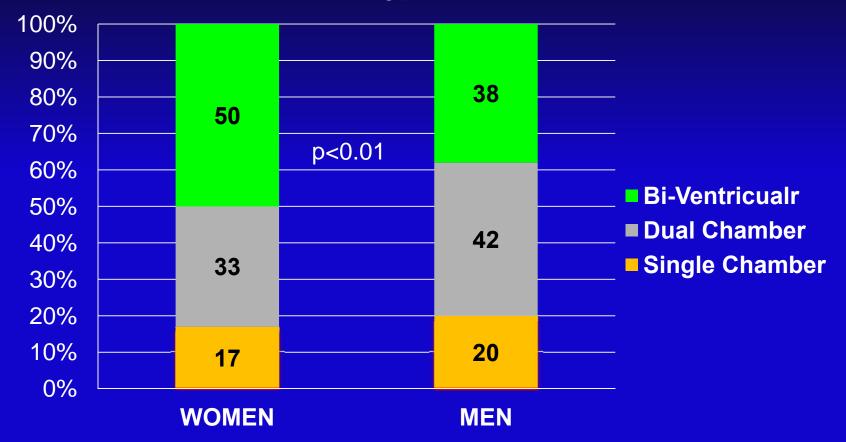








#### **Device Type**



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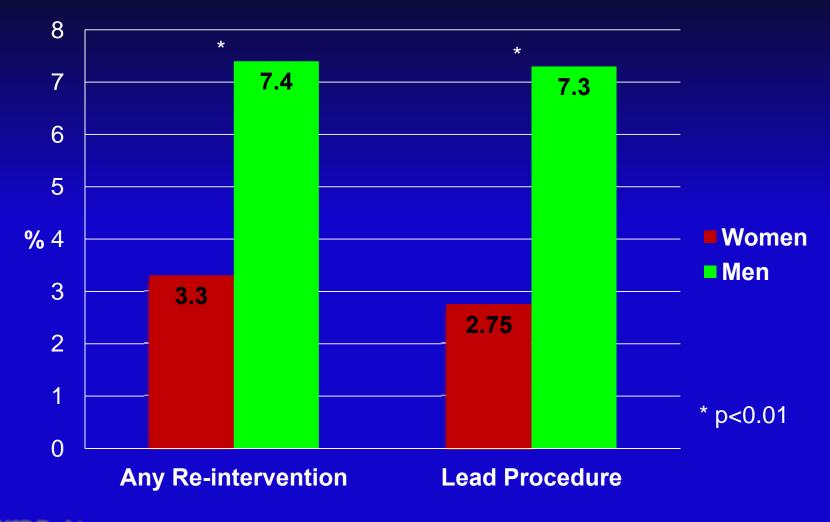
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### Predictors of CRT (vs. ICD) Implantation (HR, 95%CI)

	All patients
Gender women vs. men	2.4 (1.5-4.0)
NYHA class 3 vs. 1-2	7.7 (6.2-9.7)
QRS duration> 120 ms	10.8 (8.6-13.5)
Left ventricular ejection	2.4 (1.8-3.1)
fraction< 30% vs. higher	
Secondary vs. primary	0.5 (0.4-0.7)
prevention indication	
Age	1.02 (1.01-1.03)
GFR ≤60 ml/min vs. higher	1.3 (1.0-1.7)



## **Re-intervention Rates**





# The Impact of Gender on Events during Follow up

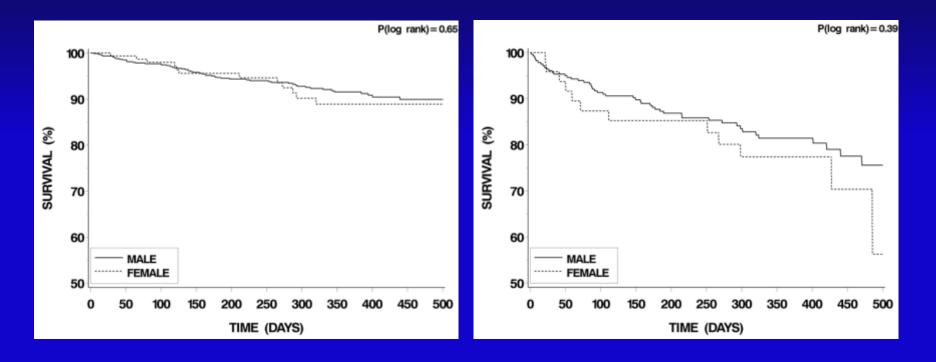
	HR	95% CI	p-value
Death	0.98	0.40-2.41	0.96
Appropriate therapy	0.72	0.25 – 2.05	0.53
Heart failure admission	0.87	0.43-1.79	0.71
Death or appropriate therapy	0.87	0.44-1.72	0.69
Death or heart failure admission	0.92	62-1.530.	0.78



# Time to Appropriate Therapy/ Death

#### **Primary Prevention**

#### **Secondary Prevention**



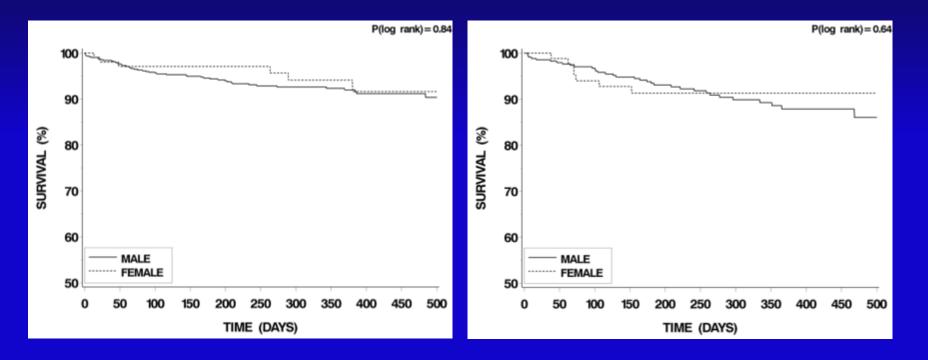
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# **Time to HF admission / Death**

ICD

CRTD



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# Conclusions

- Significant sex differences were found: women have
  - A higher proportion of non-ischemic cardiomyopathy.
  - A higher proportion of CRTS devices.
  - A higher rate of VF among the secondary prevention group.
- There are different factors associated with implantation of CRTD devices in men and women.



## Conclusions

- Women have a higher rate of reintervention procedures
- During follow up, there were no significant differences in the rate of:
  - Appropriate therapy
  - Heart failure admissions
  - Death
  - A combination of the above

