# Telemedicine and Digital Health

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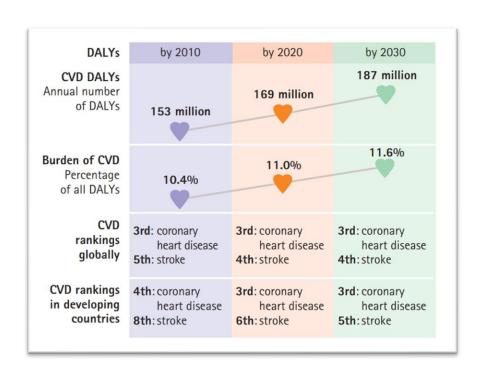
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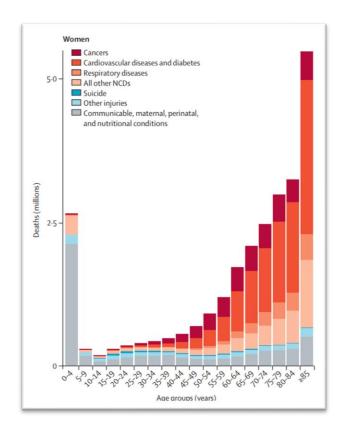


- Unites more than 110.000 cardiologists
- from 58 National Societies
- Promotes science and education
- Innovations and technologies
- Promotes patient values and patient engagement
- Hosts the largest annual cardiovascular congress globally
- Journal family around the European Heart Journal
- Develops the globally leading guidelines for CV disease
- ... is proud to be guest here at ESA
- Our Mission: Reduce the Burden of Cardiovascular Disease

### The burden of cardiovascular disease



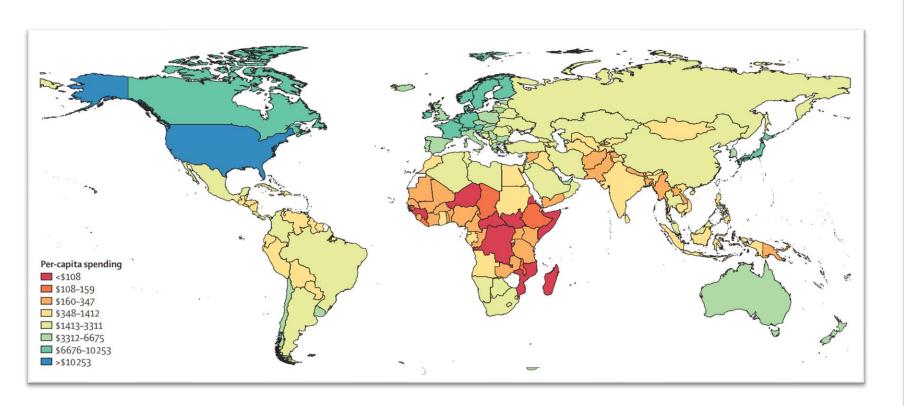




Source: WHO 2017 Lancet 2018; 392: 1072–88

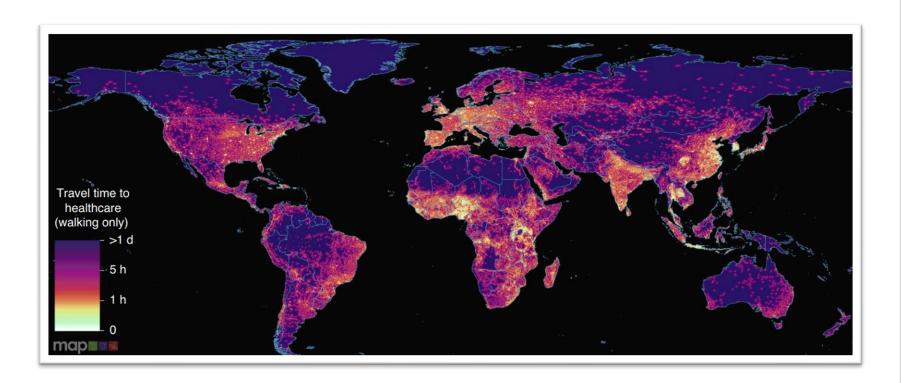
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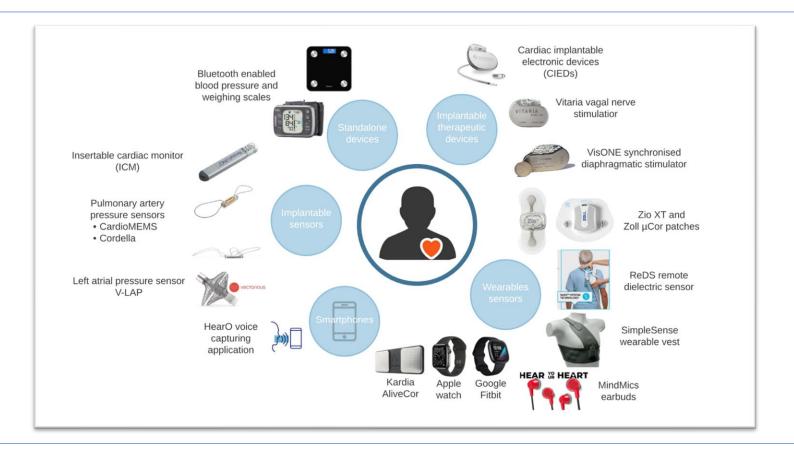


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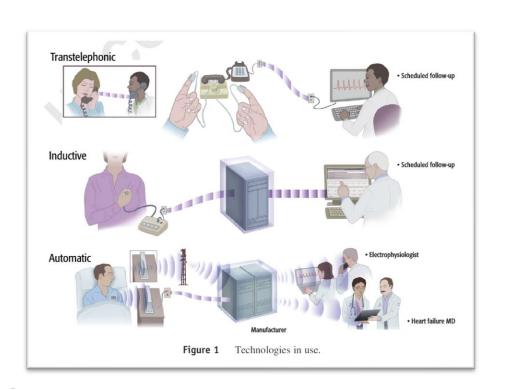


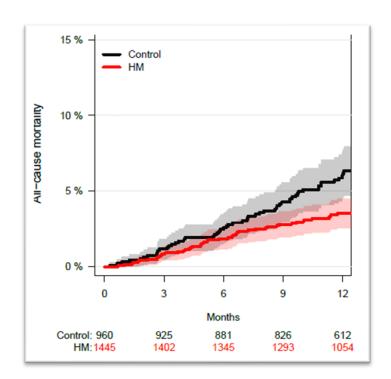


# Digital technologies to support CV diagnostics and therapies

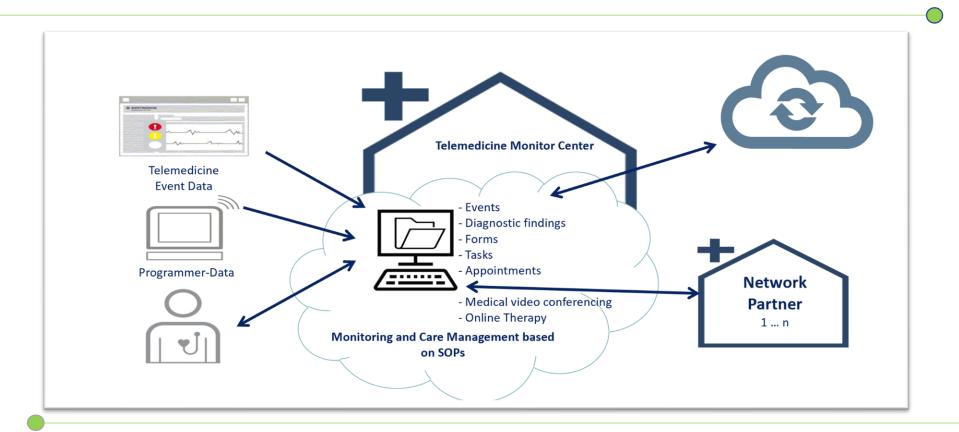


# Remote communication cardiac implants

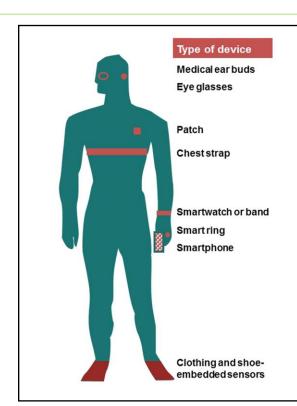




# Wearables and remote communication tools



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Sensors	Measurements
Accelerometer Barometer GPS	Activity (e.g., step/stair counts, exercise), estimated calories burned
PPG	HR, HRR, HRV, cuff-less BP, SaO2, cardiac output, stroke volume, pulse- based rhythm detection, sleep and its stages
ECG	Single- and multi-lead ECG, continuous or as- needed monitoring, interval measurements (e.g., QTc), arrhythmia detection, electrolyte abnormalities
Oscillometer	Wrist cuff BP
Biochemical sensors	Invasive: blood glucose and electrolyte monitoring
	Non-invasive: sweat and saliva electrolytes and hydration status

#### Table 4 Key factors for implementation

- Use regulatory-approved devices and algorithms (updated database of approved systems. The EUDAMED database is under construction, https://ec.europa.eu/tools/eudamed/ #/screen/home)
- Well documented, easily navigated, standardized process for reimbursement
- Standardized hospital policies
- Reliable data privacy

all personnel

- Process for regular updates
- Common platform with systems for integration of multiple devices
- Include regular training and education on digital technology for
- Provide training for patients with devices who are enrolled in monitoring programmes
- Dedicated in house or contracted digital health personnel
- Ensure medico-legal standards are in place



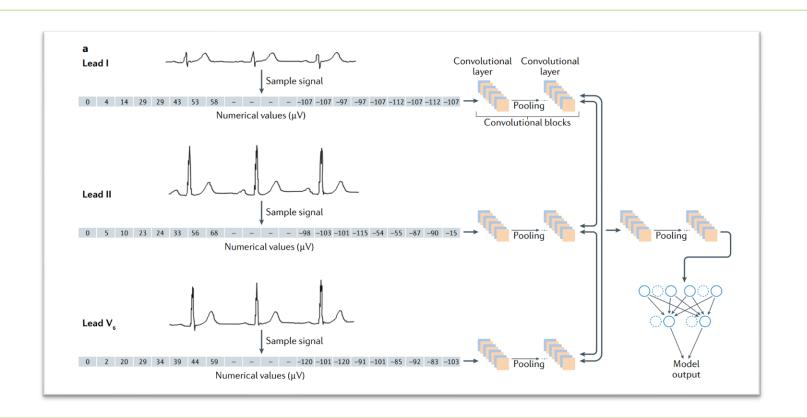
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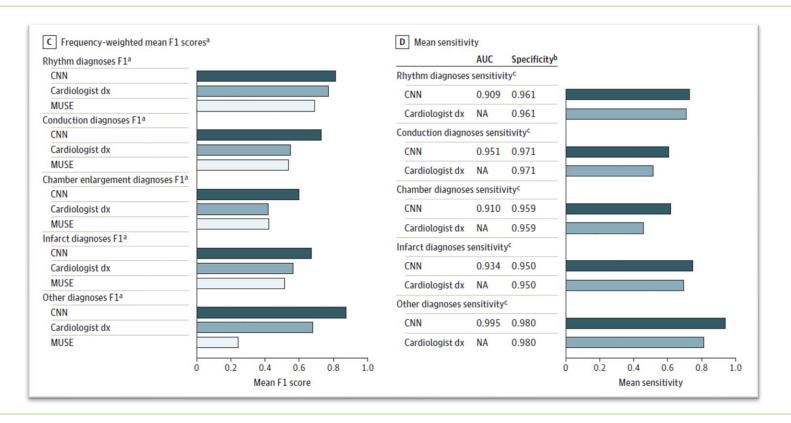


Diese Maßnahme wird mitfinanziert mit Steuermitteln auf Grundlage des vom Sächsischen Landtag beschlossenen Haushaltes

## Convolutional neural network for detection of atrial fibrillation



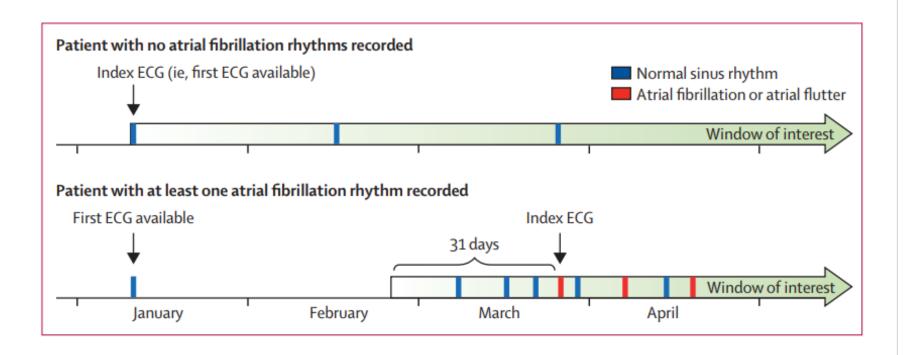
# Performance of a neural network for ECG diagnosis



Hughes JW et al.; JAMA Cardiology 2021

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#### Self-diagnostic Medical Devices Market: Heart Diseases Segment is Likely to Expand at a High Growth Rate During the Forecast Period

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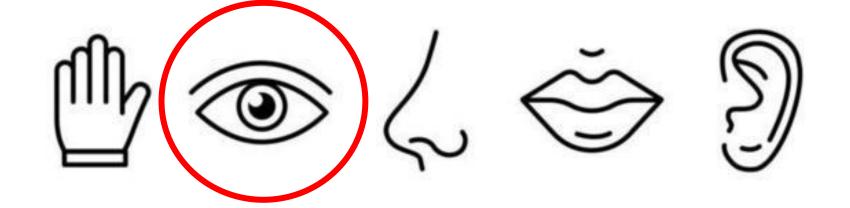








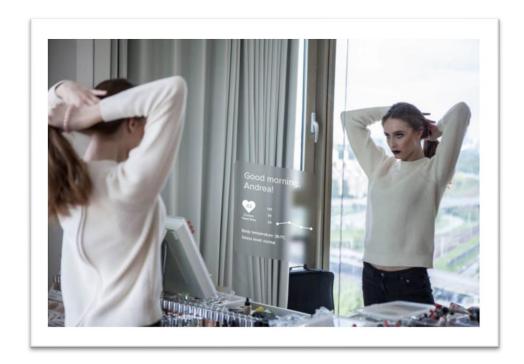




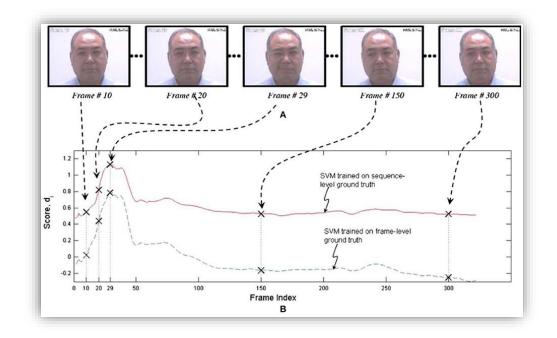
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  - real time emotion recognition
- · Pain perception
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- Support of medical staff (e.g. ADDW)
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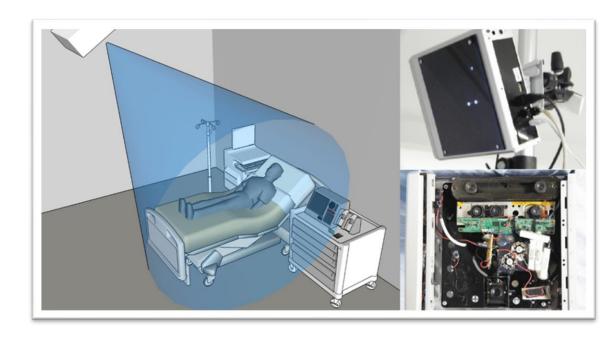
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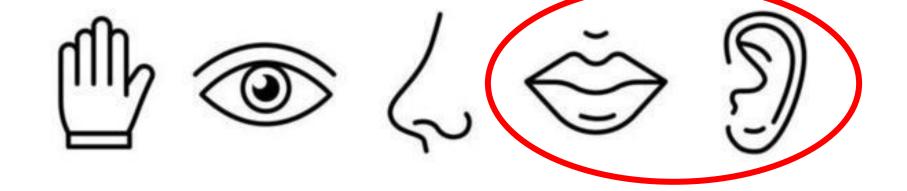


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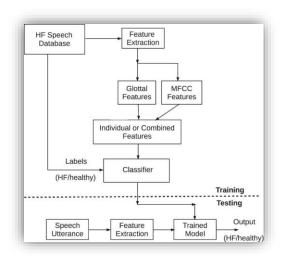
## **Detection of heart failure using speech signals**

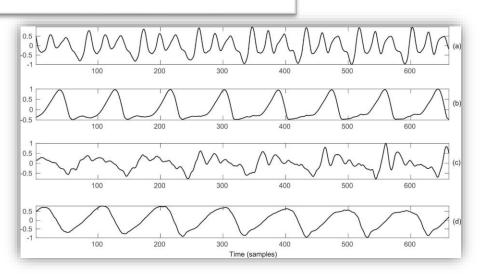


#### The automatic detection of heart failure using speech signals



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acoustic speech signal and corresponding glottal flow waveform, healthy (a/b) HF (c/d)

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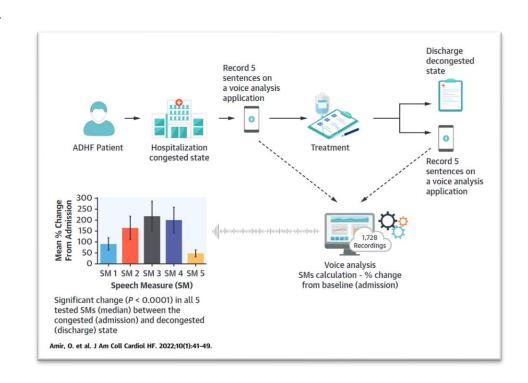
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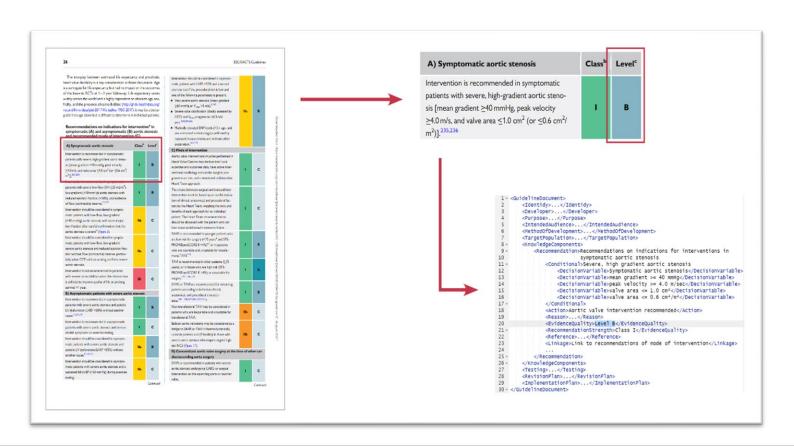


- 40 pts. With decompensated HF
- 5 sentences
- 1-3 languages
- HearO speech processing application
- 5 distinct speech measures,
  - each a distinct time,
  - frequency resolution,
  - linear versus perceptual (ear)
     model



## Digital, structured, machine readable clinical guidelines





## Digital technologies to support CV diagnostics and therapies **WESC**



- Goal: Al-driven patient information platform to improve patient engagement in AF
- Setting: AF ablation
- 1. Find/create medium
- 2. Define message (chatGPT)
- 3. Fuse medium and text



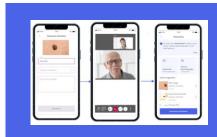


# Better access to medical care: potential solutions

- A medical system with tree components
- Digital products (apps) for self-assessment
- Digital centers / hospitals for consultation
- Compact health care diagnostics and treatment centers



# Digital health solutions: 3 steps



#### Apps:

**Digital healthcare services** from lifestyle, prevention, smart routing, treatment to chronic disease management

**Step 1**: self assessment using pre-defined apps For common disease



#### **Digital Hospital:**

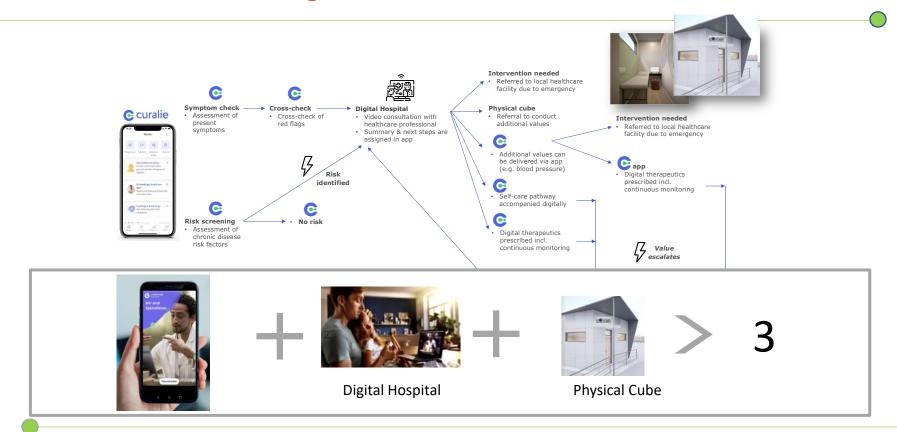
Our best quality
telemedical
consultation services
across all medical areas

**Step 2**: contact the digital hospital, present symptoms and consult physician



**Step 3**: if necessary the app will guide patients to Cubes for further diagnostics and treatment

# Digital health solutions



## **Digital transformation – opportunities and challenges**

- Digital technologies will be disruptive in health care
- All elements of traditional health care will be substantially affected by DT
- New spaces for health care will develop and substantially reset the health care sector
- This development will happen soon and substantially affect the ESC
- Cardiovascular medicine will be a leading catalyser for implementation of DT
- ESC will have a specific role with huge opportunities in this emerging field
  - cardiovascular medicine prevention, diagnostics, treatment
  - science and education
  - regulation and advocacy