# Differences in risk factors of PM/ICD local infection and lead dependent infective endocarditis in patients qualified for transvenous lead extraction

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# Aim of the study

To evaluate the risk factors of isolated local infection (LI) and isolated lead dependent infective endocarditis (LDIE) in patients referred for transvenous lead extraction (TLE).

# Isolated local infection - definition

Local infection of device pocket without the presence of either major or minor Duke criterion for infective endocarditis:

- Vegetations,
- Positive blood cultures,
- Pulmonary embolisation,
- Fever >38 C degrees

# Local infections - examples

Local infection



Skin fistula with purulent leak

"Dry" fistula

Ulceration of the skin over device with local inflammatory infiltrate

# Local infections - examples



Skin fistula with local inflammatory infiltrate

"Dry" skin fistula

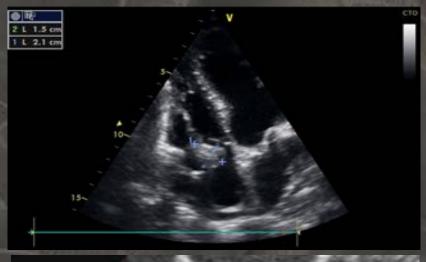
Fistula with total device protrusion

# Isolated lead-dependent infective endocarditis - definition

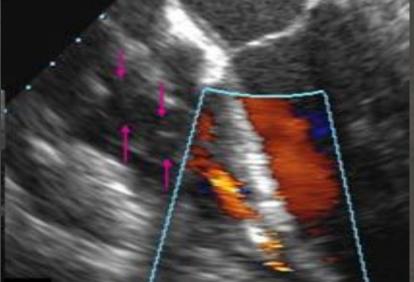
- At least one major with one minor Duke criteria without local sings of infection:
- Endocardial lead presence with vegetations and fever >38C degrees.
- Endocardial lead presence with pulmonary embolisation and fever >38Cdegrees
- Endocardial lead presence with more than two positive blood cultures with characteristique for IE bacteria and fever >38Cdegrees

## Isolated LDIE - examples

LDIE



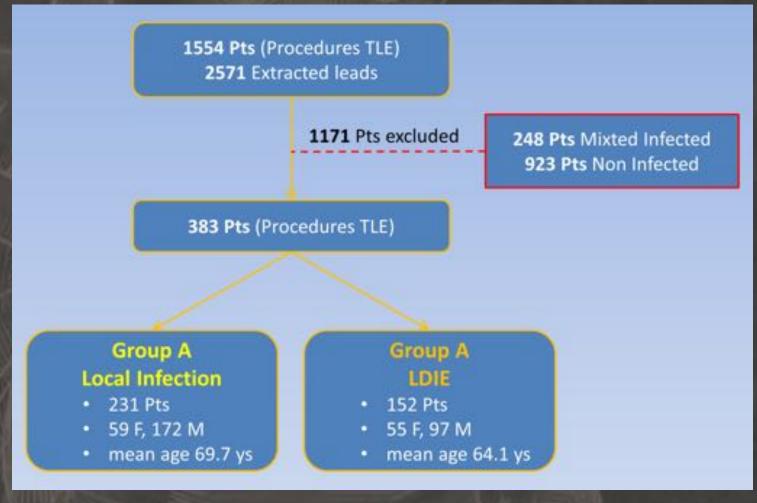
TTE- visible vegetation 1.5 x2.1 cm with recurrent pulmonary infections and pulmonary embolisation



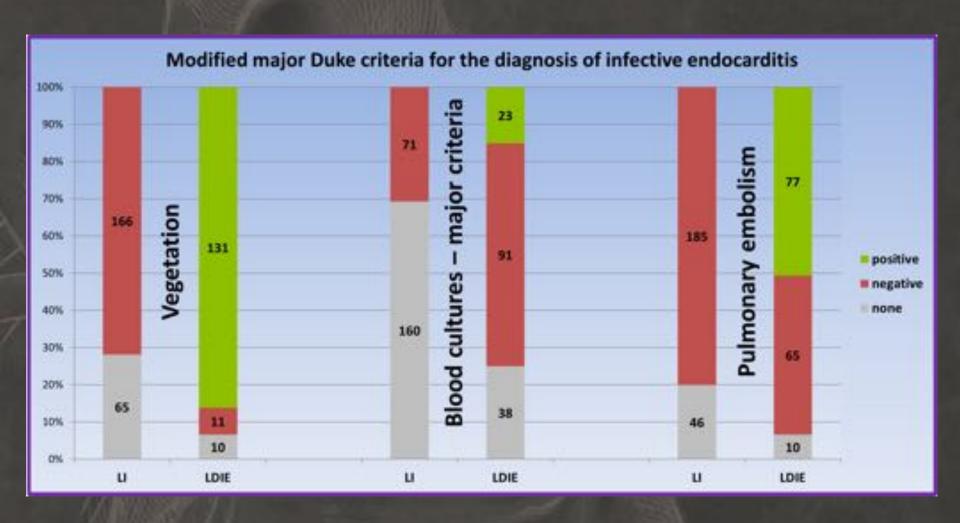
TEE- visible vegetation-intracardiac abscess with septic fever

#### Methods

Retrospective analysis of 1554 TLE procedures with 2571 extracted leads.

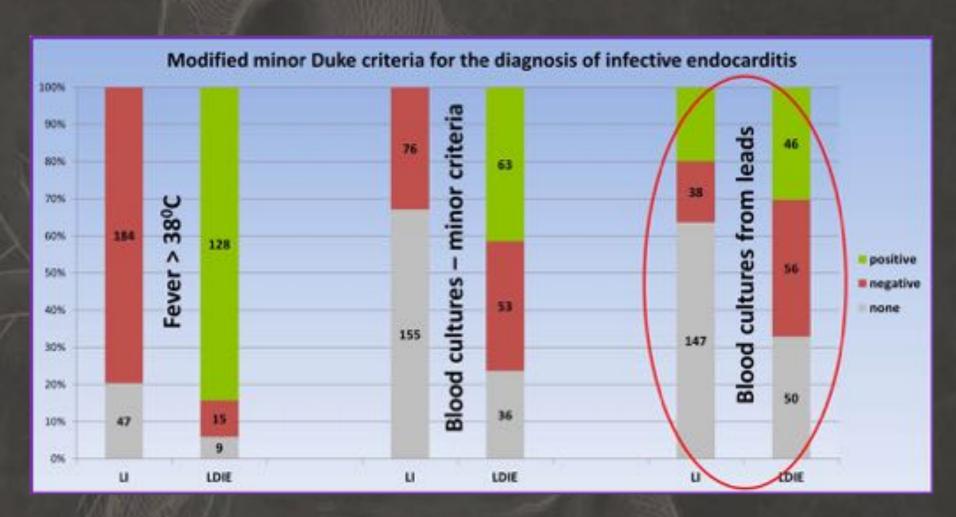


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- The remaining parameters were assessed: the patient's age and gender,
- number of device-related procedures performed before TLE,
- lead number and dwell -time,
- number of non-functional leads.
- Diabetes and renal failure were assessed in the part of population with complete data in the database.

# Results

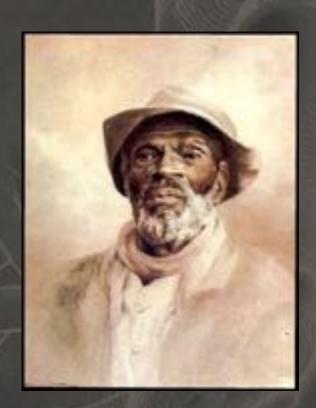
Indication for TLE	LI Group A	LDIE Group B	TOTAL number of infective indications	P value A vs B
Number of patients	231	152	631	
Female patient	59/231 (25.4%)	55/152 (36.2%)	182/631 (28.8%)	P=0.0651
Age of patients [mean]	69.7±12.9	64.1±15.6	67.4±14.0	P=0.0007
Number of leads in the heart	2.00±0.75	2.19±0.94	2.09±0.81	P=0.0688
Age of leads [mean]	71.4±52.3	86.5±56.9	76.3±53.4	P=0.0201

#### Results

Indication for TLE	PI Group A	LDIE Group B	TOTAL number of infective indications	P value A vs B
Number of device-related procedures before TLE	2.23±2.90	2.20±1.48	2.24±2.07	P=0.9352
Number of non- functional leads	0.23±0.57	0.33±0.70	0.29±0.65	P=0.2384
Diabetes #	38/198 (19.2%)	34/139 (24.5%)	124/582 (21.3%)	P=0.5082
Renal failure ##	10/198 (5.0%)	11/139 (7.9%)	34/580 (5.9%)	P=0.4935

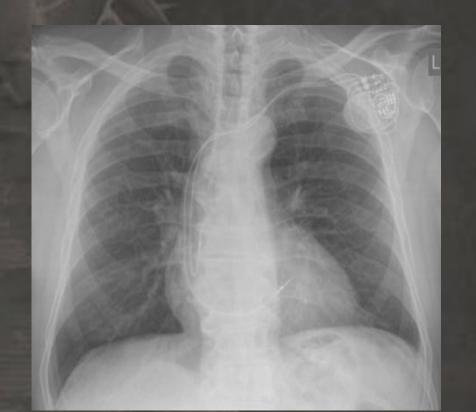
# incomplete information in 49 pts (33 pts PI, 13 pts LDIE) ## incomplete information in 51 pts (33 pts PI, 13 pts LDIE)

### Picture of the patient with LI



Older patient – mean 70 years old; most frequently male (3/4 of group A - males)

Shorter lead dwell time – mean 6 years for one lead; mean of two leads.



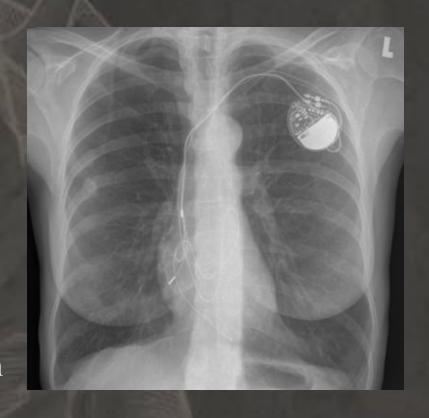


#### Picture of the patient with LDIE

younger patient - mean 64-years old smaller difference in gender (more than 1/3 women in group B)

longer lead dwell time - mean 7 years for a lead; more than 2 leads for one patient.

Presence of lead loop in the heart and lead abrasion - fenomenon non analysed in this work



#### Conclusions

- Two variables: patient's age and lead dwell time correlated with the PM/ICD infection type.
- Patients with isolated LI were significantly older and had shorter lead dwell time in comparison with patients with isolated LDIE.

