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Il respiro: scienza e terapia per la salute del bambino



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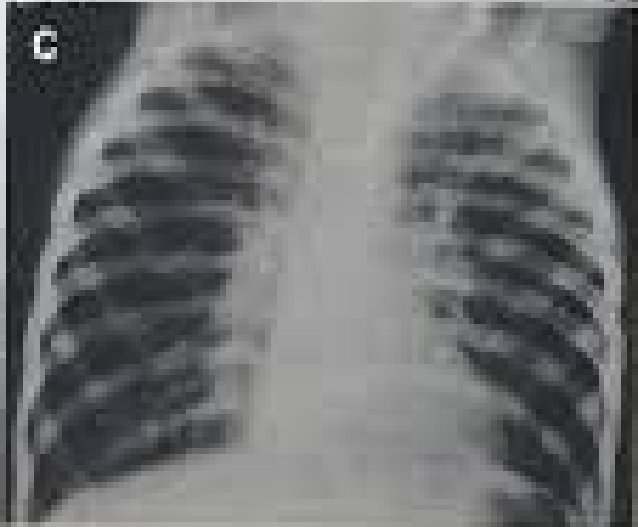
La Fibrosi Cistica

«Oggi»

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Oggi



Dorothy Andersen

*Cystic fibrosis (CF) was first recognized as a separate disease entity in **1938** when autopsy studies of malnourished infants distinguished a disease of mucus plugging of the glandular ducts, termed “cystic fibrosis of the pancreas,” from others with celiac syndrome. This disease was characterized by malabsorption of fat and protein, steatorrhea, growth failure, and pulmonary infection.*



«LA MALATTIA DAL BACIO SALATO»

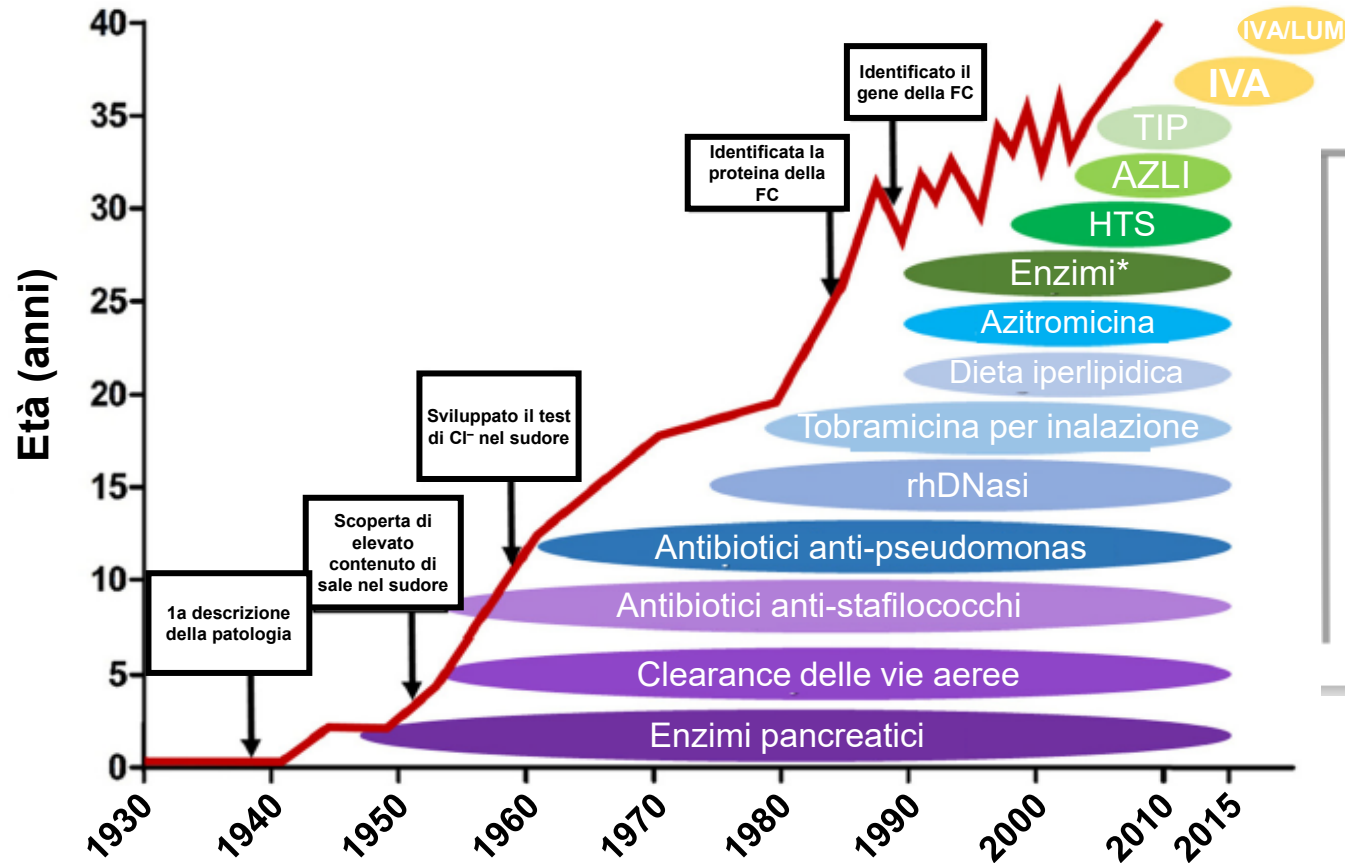
Già le mamme romane, due millenni fa, riconoscevano il bambino malato per il sapore di mare nel baciargli la fronte.



Nel XVIII secolo in uno scritto veniva riportato:
“Guai per il bambino che sapora di salato da un bacio sulla fronte, perché è maledetto e presto deve morire”

Progressione della FC

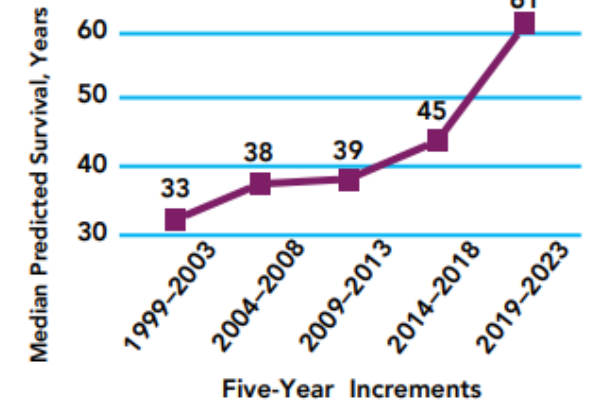
Effetto delle terapie sull'aspettativa di vita dei pazienti con FC



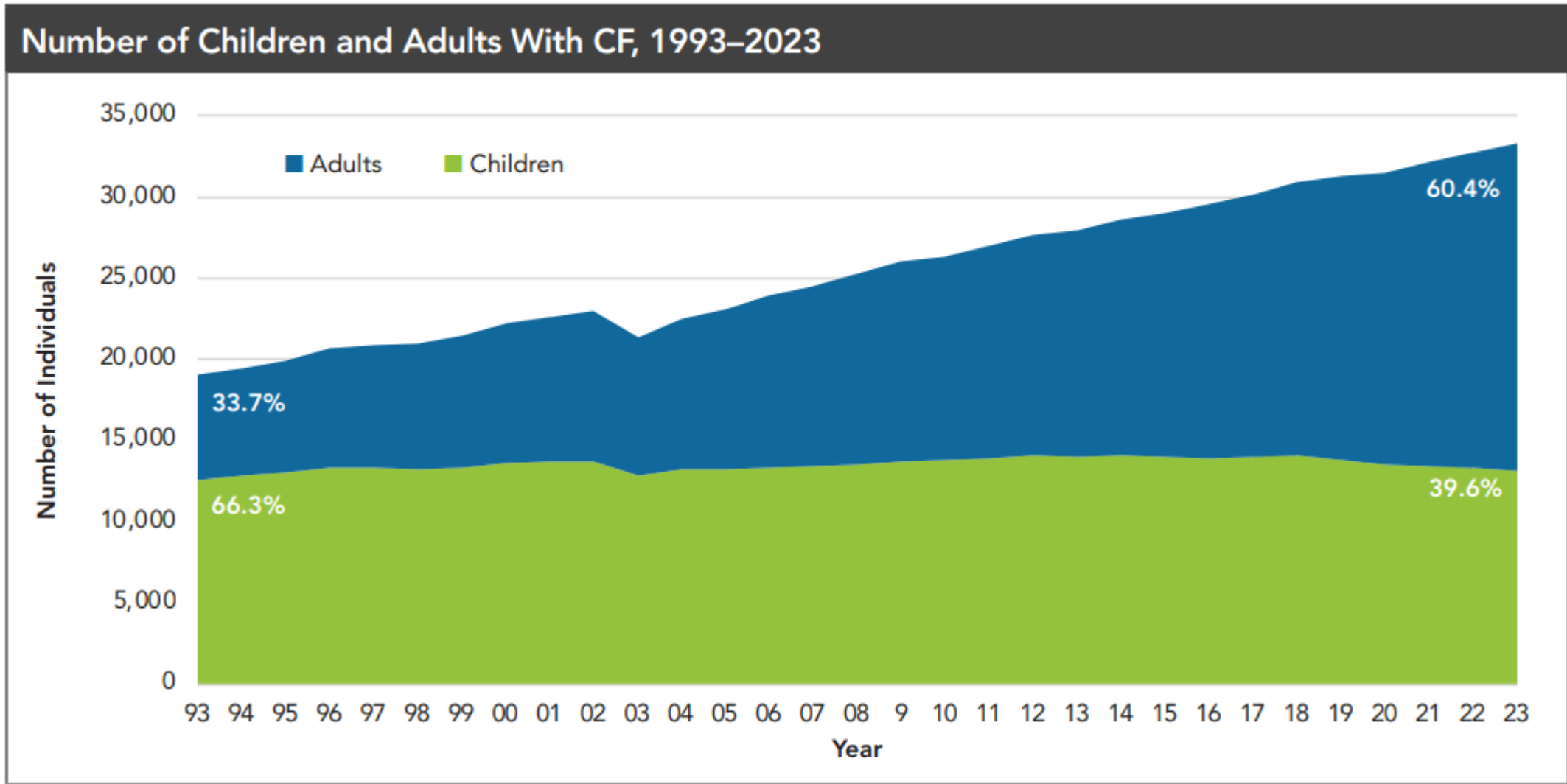
SURVIVAL

61
YEARS
2019-2023

Among people with CF born 2019-2023, half are predicted to live to 61+ years. However, this does not reflect individual variability. The median survival is lower for those ineligible for modulators by possibly over a decade.



AZLI, aztreonam; HTS, screening ad alta capacità; IVA, ivacaftor; LUM, lumacaftor; rhDNasi, desossiribonucleasi umana ricombinante; TIP, tobramicina. Riprodotto e adattato col permesso di European Respiratory Society©: *The European Lung White Book Respiratory Health and Disease in Europe*, 2nd Ed. © 2013 European Respiratory Society, Sheffield, UK. Lopes-Pacheco M. *Front Pharmacol.* 2016;7:275.



The decrease in the number of individuals reported in 2003 is due to a delay in obtaining informed consent forms before the close of the calendar year at some CF Care Centers.

Transizione del paziente con fibrosi cistica

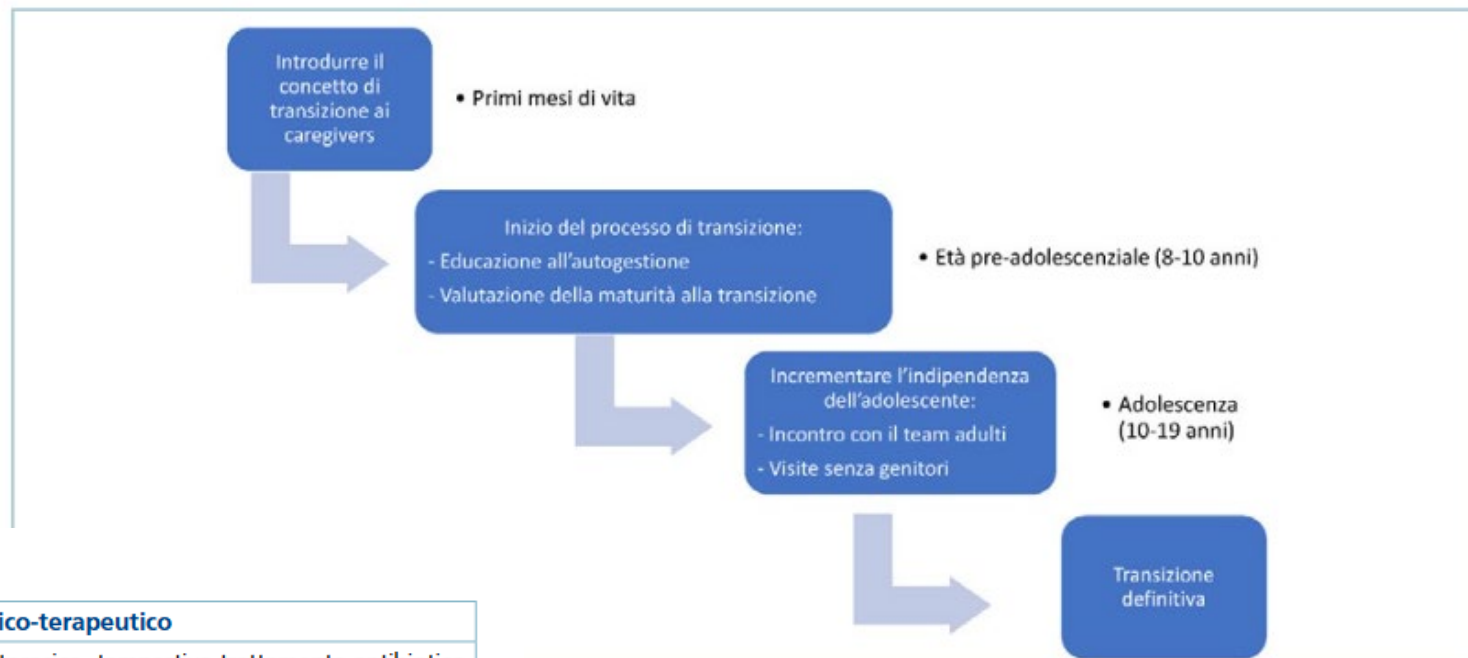
Transition in cystic fibrosis

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Tabella I. Caratteristiche cliniche del paziente in fase di transizione.

Presentazione clinica	Work-up diagnostico-terapeutico
Riacutizzazione respiratoria	Valutazione clinica, laboratoristica e di <i>imaging</i> toracico, tempestivo trattamento antibiotico con implementazione di quello mucolitico e fisioterapico
Emottisi	Valutazione se moderata, grave o recidivante, eventuale indicazione a embolizzazione delle arterie bronchiali
Pneumotorace	Eventuale posizionamento di drenaggio pleurico in base all'entità
Insufficienza respiratoria cronica	Prescrizione di O ₂ terapia cronica ed eventuale utilizzo di NIV notturna in presenza di insufficienza respiratoria ipercapnica
Poliposi nasale/sinusite	Controlli periodici ORL/ <i>imaging</i> cranio-sinusale per eventuale intervento di chirurgia endoscopica nasale (FESS)
Epatopatia/pancreatiti ricorrenti/DIOS	Controlli gastroenterologici periodici e monitoraggio ecografico/doppler epatico e degli esami ematologici di funzionalità epatica
Malassorbimento	Controllo digestivo feci, vitamine liposolubili e visite nutrizionali
Diabete	Screening periodico con curva da carico di glucosio e, se alterata, valutazione diabetologica per impostazione di eventuale terapia insulinica
Osteoporosi	Controllo periodico delle vitamine liposolubili, MOC e valutazione endocrinologica per terapia con bifosfonati oltre a supplementazione
Infertilità maschile	Counseling pre-concepimento per impostazione di eventuali tecniche di fecondazione assistita
Stato ansioso depressivo	Valutazione psichiatrica per terapia specifica antidepressiva



Review

Cystic Fibrosis and Cancer: Unraveling the Complex Role of CFTR Gene in Cancer Susceptibility

Giuseppe Fabio Parisi ^{1,*}, Maria Papale ¹, Giulia Pecora ¹, Novella Rotolo ¹, Sara Manti ², Giovanna Russo ³ and Salvatore Leonardi ¹

Pancreatic cancer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chronic inflammation • Altered bile flow • Oxidative stress 	5–10
Liver cancer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chronic inflammation • Altered bile flow • Impaired liver regeneration • Genetic variations in modifier genes, such as the Solute Carrier Organic Anion Transporter (SLCO) family 	1.5–2
Intestinal cancers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chronic inflammation • Oxidative stress • Altered composition of intestinal microbiota • Genetic polymorphisms • Implications of tumor suppressor genes 	6
Breast cancer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hormonal imbalances, such as increased estrogen levels 	not well-established
Lung cancer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chronic inflammation • Altered mucociliary clearance 	not well-established

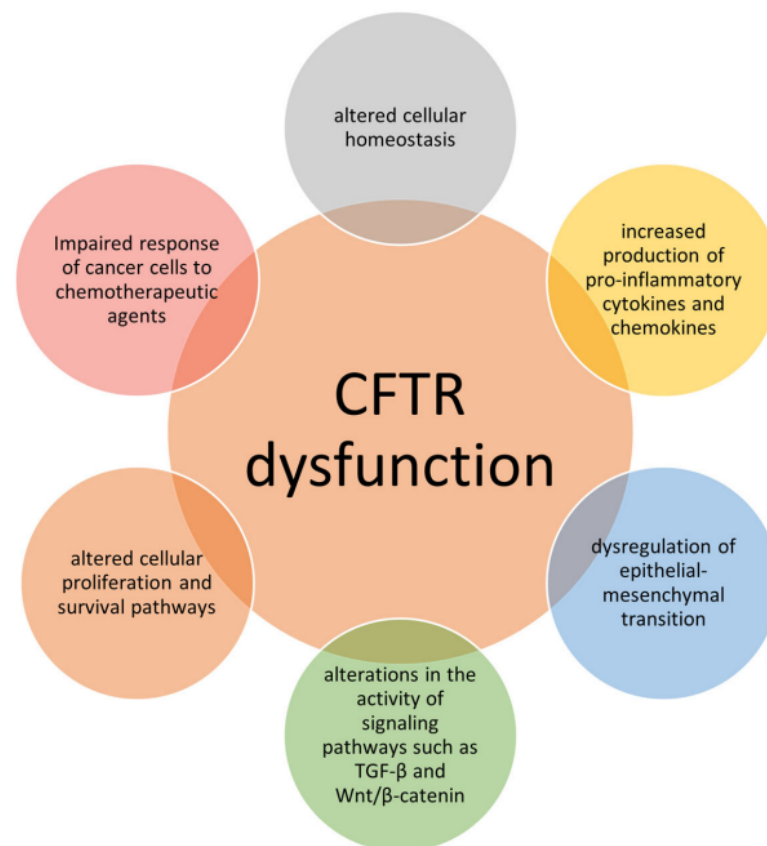
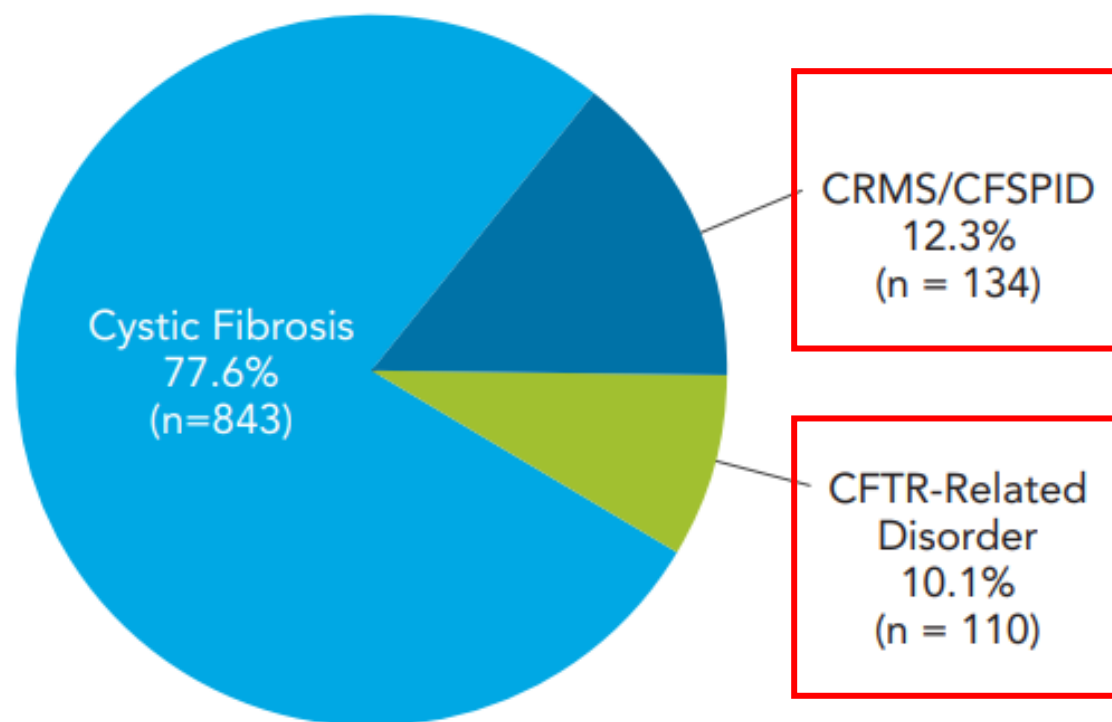


Figure 1. CFTR dysfunction and mechanisms related to predisposition to cancers. CFTR dysfunction in CF triggers chronic inflammation, impaired DNA repair, and hormonal imbalances. These mechanisms collectively predispose individuals to various cancers, highlighting the intricate interplay between CF and cancer susceptibility.

CF, CRMS/CFSPID, and CFTR-Related Disorder New Diagnoses in 2023



CFSPID

Cystic Fibrosis Screen Positive, Inconclusive Diagnosis

Screening Neonatale Positivo

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graph TD; A[Screening Neonatale Positivo] --> B[Test del sudore negativo<br/>(Cloro < 30 mmol/L)<br/>2 mutazioni del CFTR,<br/>di cui almeno una di significato<br/>patogenetico incerto]; A --> C[Test del sudore dubbio<br/>(Cloro 30 – 59 mmol/L)<br/>1 o nessuna mutazione<br/>del CFTR];
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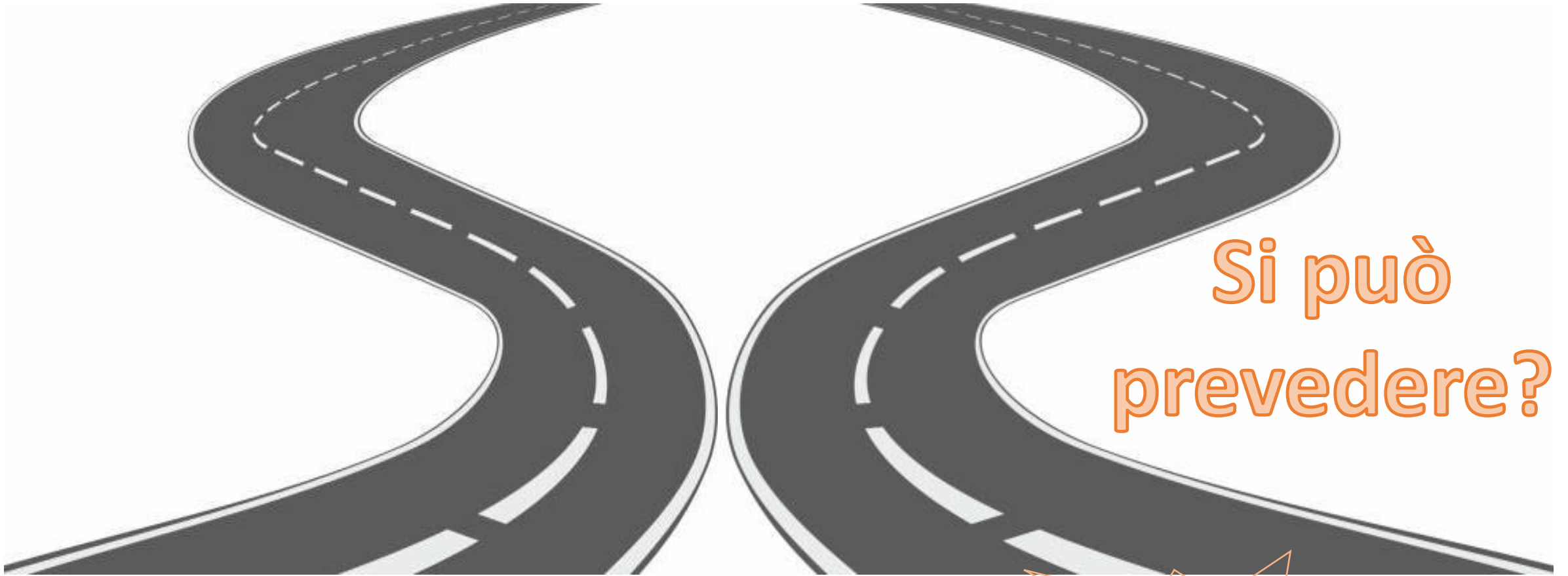
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CFSPID



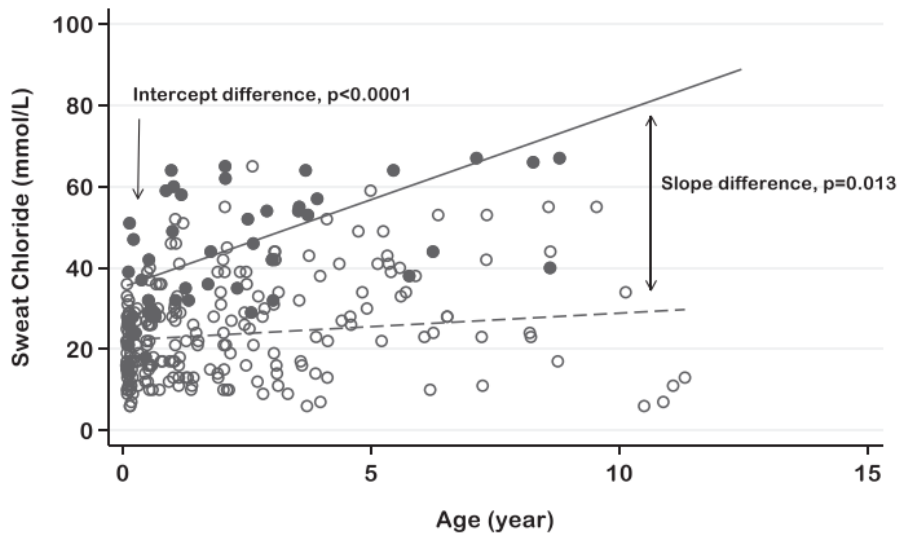
Si può prevedere?

CFSPID

CF

Gradual increase in sweat chloride concentration is associated with a higher risk of CRMS/CFSPID to CF reclassification

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● Reclassified ○ CRMS/CFSPID

Linear median quantile mixed model of sweat chloride over time	n	Intercept(SE)	Slope (SE)	95% CI (p)	Increase per year
Reclassified from CRMS/CFSPID to CF	12	32.40 (2.31)	4.71 (1.03)	2.45 – 6.97 (0.001)	4.71 mmol/L/y
CRMS/CFSPID	59	22.07 (0.89)	1.21 (0.40)	0.41 – 2.02 (0.004)	1.21 mmol/L/y

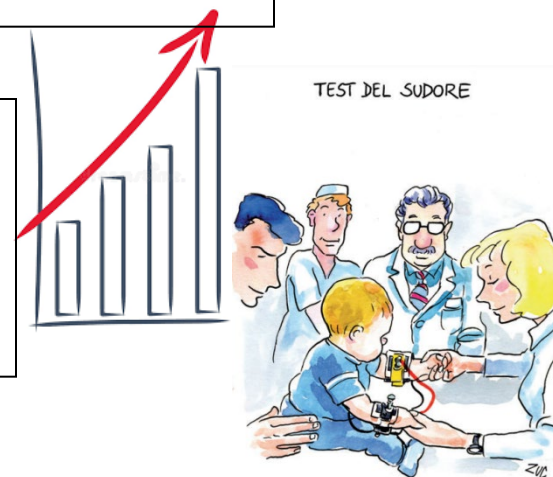
112 bambini con screening positivo

CF = 53 (12 ex CFSPID)

CFSPID = 59

i valori iniziali di sw[Cl] erano significativamente differenti tra i gruppi (P < 0,0001).

Tra i bambini che hanno **mantenuto** la designazione **CRMS/CFSPID** rispetto a quelli che sono stati **riclassificati in CF** si sono evidenziate **traiettorie distinte** (valore p per differenza di inclinazione = **0,013**)



I bambini con **CRMS/CFSPID** che avevano una **coltura respiratoria positiva per PSA** avevano **maggiori probabilità di riclassificarsi in FC** (odds ratio aggiustato [OR] [IC 95%] = 6,43 [1,15–36,07], p = 0,034)

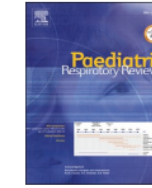
CONCLUSIONI

L'aumento di sw[Cl] e una storia di colonizzazione con PSA sono associati al rischio di riclassificazione da CFSPID a CF



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Review



Biochemical and genetic tools to predict the progression to Cystic Fibrosis in CRMS/CFSPID subjects: A systematic review

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Table 2

Percentage of CFSPID > CF/CFSPID in the different populations.

Authors	Year	CFSPID > CF/CFSPID	%	Ref.
Terlizzi V et al.	2021	18/336	5.3 %	[16]
Tosco A et al.	2022	6/58	10.3 %	[35]
Ooi CY et al.	2015	11/82	11.0 %	[25]
Ooi CY et al. [§]	2019	14/98	14.3 %	[26]
Gunnnett MA et al.	2023	11/63	17.5 %	[34]
Salinas DB et al.	2022	12/59	20.3 %	[37]
Gonska T et al.	2021	24/115	21.0 %	[28]
Munck A et al.	2020	28/63	44.0 %	[30]
Groves T et al.	2015	14/29	48.0 %	[54]

[§] also includes patients from the same authors' 2015 paper.

E D U C A T I O N A L A I M S

The reader will come to appreciate:

- An analysis of the characteristics of CFSPID individuals who evolve into CF.
- That the presence of one CF-causing CFTR variant, an initial sweat chloride (SC) ≥ 40 mmol/L or an increase of SC > 2.5 mmol/L/year could allow identification of subjects at risk of progression to CF.
- That CFSPID individuals with a CF causing variant/VVCC genotype and first SC in the higher borderline range may require more frequent and prolonged clinical follow-up.



Updated guidance on the management of children with cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator-related metabolic syndrome/cystic fibrosis screen positive, inconclusive diagnosis (CRMS/CFSPID)



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CRMS/CFSPID.

	Initial assessment	6 months of age	12 months of age	2 years of age	3 years of age	4 years of age	5 years of age	6 years of age **
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Diagnostic testing *

Sweat chloride concentration	X	X	c	X	c	c	c	X
Extended CFTR analysis	X							c
Check for updates in clinical relevance of cftr variants at www.cftr2.org	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Fecal elastase-1 measurement (stool assessment)	X	c	X	c	c	c	c	c

Care Management

Inform GP/Paediatrician about CRMS/CFSPID (or change of diagnosis)	X	X	X	c	c	c	c	X
Provide explanations to parents on the follow-up (discuss the potential outcomes)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Genetic counselling	X							c
Respiratory assessment: history (cough, infections), including auscultation, RR	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Abdominal assessment: history and examination	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nutritional assessment: weight, length/height, BMI centiles	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Respiratory culture	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
Chest Imaging	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	X
MBW/LCI measurement								X
Spirometry								X
Educate about tobacco exposure avoidance	X	c	c	c	c	c	c	c

X = Do at this visit

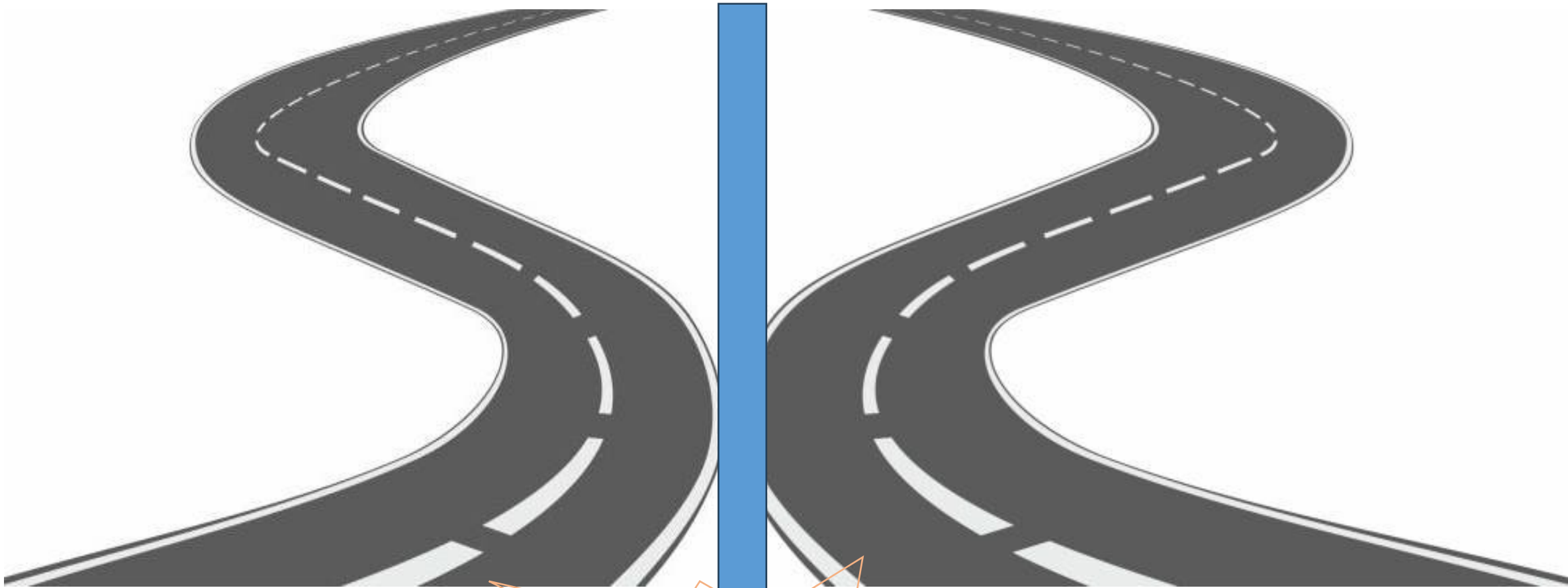
C = Consider if clinically indicated

* = At each meeting with family, consider whether the CRMS/CFSPID designation is still appropriate (is there evidence to transfer to a CF diagnosis?).

** = Review evidence from Year 6 assessment and discuss future care plans with the family.



CFSPID



CFSPID

CFTR-RD

CF

CFTR-RD Diagnosi

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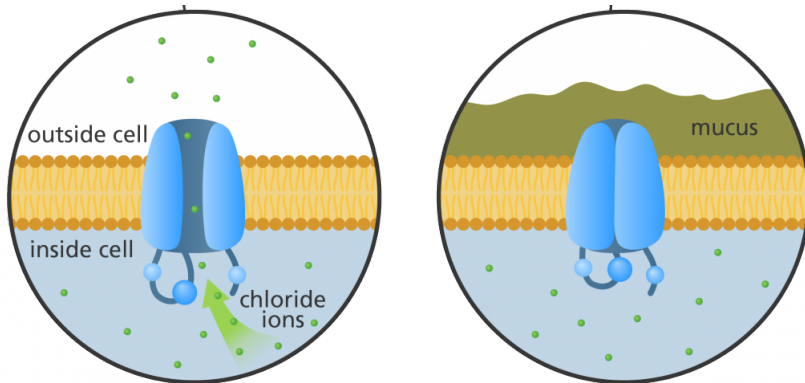
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Original Article

ECFS standards of care on CFTR-related disorders: Updated diagnostic criteria

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Normal CFTR channel

Mutant CFTR channel

Table 3
CFTR-RD diagnostic criteria.

CRITERIA	SPECIFICS
Distinctive phenotypes isolated or in combination	CBAVD; acute recurrent or chronic pancreatitis; bilateral bronchiectasis Allergic Bronchopulmonary Aspergillosis; Chronic rhinosinusitis; Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis; Aquagenic Wrinkling currently under examination Usually mono-organ, but can be polyorgan (see text)
CFTR dysfunction	<i>In vivo</i> or <i>ex vivo</i> CFTR dysfunction in the CFTR-RD range in at least 2 different CFTR functional tests (sweat test, NPD, ICM) OR one <i>CFTR</i> variant and evidence of <i>in vivo</i> or <i>ex vivo</i> dysfunction in at least two functional tests OR two <i>CFTR</i> variants shown to reduce CFTR function, with at most one CF-causing variant
CF excluded	Criteria to be excluded: CF clinical manifestations and/or positive newborn screening and/or a CF sibling AND sweat chloride > 59 mmol/L/L and/or two CF-causing mutations and/or CF consistent electrophysiology test results [4,119]

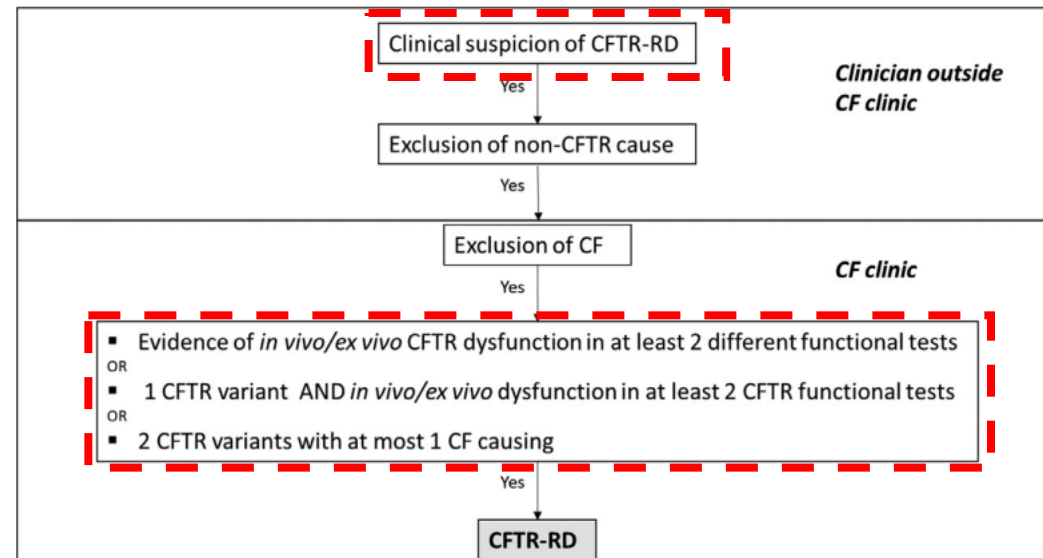


Fig. 2. The path to CFTR-RD diagnosis.

CFSPID può diventare CFTR-RD

Neonati diagnosticati come CF o CF-SPID da NBS dal 2008 al 2019 nella Regione Campania

- 47 pazienti con CF
- 99 pazienti con CF-SPID



monitorati negli ultimi 11 anni



8 si sono evoluti in disturbi correlati a CFTR (CFTR-RD) tra 1-8 anni

Table 5. Data of newborn screening of 8 subjects with CF-SPID evolved to CF (cases 1 and 2) or to CFTR-RD (cases 3 to 10).

#	Sex	Current Age years	Final Diagnosis and age (years)	I IRT ng/mL	II IRT ng/mL	SC at Birth mmol/L	SC at Final Diagnosis mmol/L	CFTR Genotype
1	F	3	CF, 2	115	47.0	56	87, 84	Y849X/[5T;TG12]
2	M	2	CF, 2	82.1	44.0	7	61, 76	D1152H/[5T;TG12]
3	M	11	CFTR-RD, 8	70.7	16.7	21	28	F508del/Q1476X
4	M	11	CFTR-RD, 8	71.8	13.2	26	27	1717-1G>A/[5T;TG12]
5	M	11	CFTR-RD, 7	61.6	24.1	16	11	F508del/L997F
6	F	7	CFTR-RD, 2	50.8	25	25	35	R334Q/L997F
7	M	6	CFTR-RD, 4	72.9	56.8	14	26	F508del/D1152H
8	F	5	CFTR-RD, 3	63.5	58.4	10	12	S1426F/D1152H
9	M	7	CFTR-RD, 2	108	59.4	21	27	L732X/D1152H
10	M	4	CFTR-RD, 1	116.4	92.8	12	28	F508del/D1152H

CF-SPID—CF-screening positive inconclusive diagnosis; CFTR-RD—CFTR-related disorders; IRT—immunoreactive trypsinogen; SC—sweat chloride.



Molto si è discusso se le CFTR-patie possano avere radici negli CFSPID, senza univoca risposta da parte della letteratura

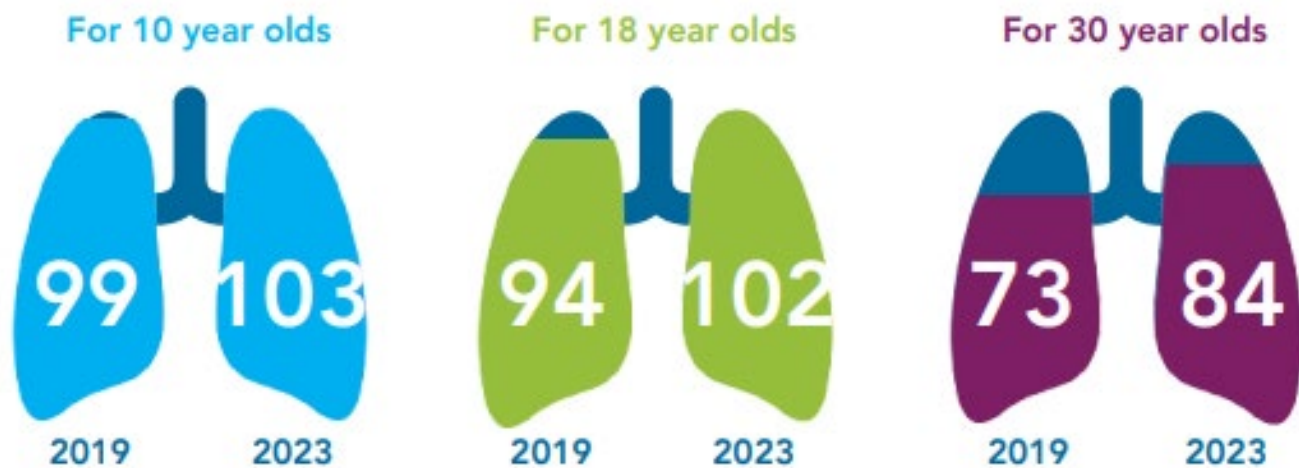


Il rischio per un bambino con CFSPID di sviluppare CFTR-RD non può ancora essere determinato con i dati attuali a disposizione.



Ancora breve durata del periodo di osservazione!

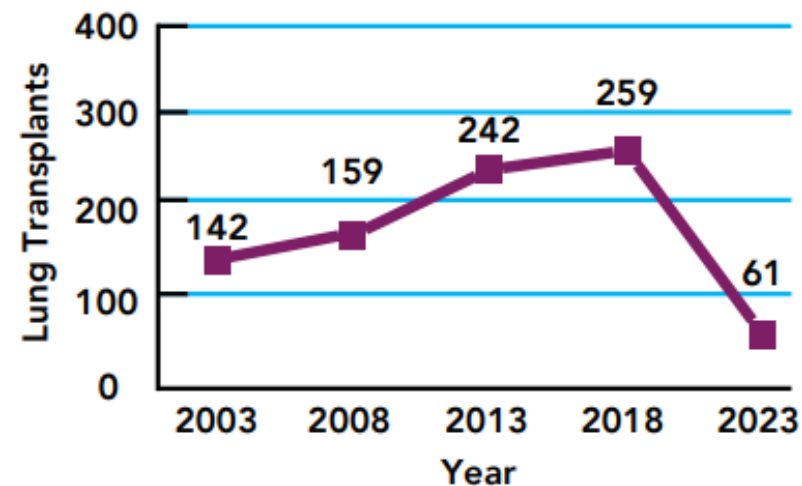
Median FEV₁ Percent Predicted









TRANSPLANTATION

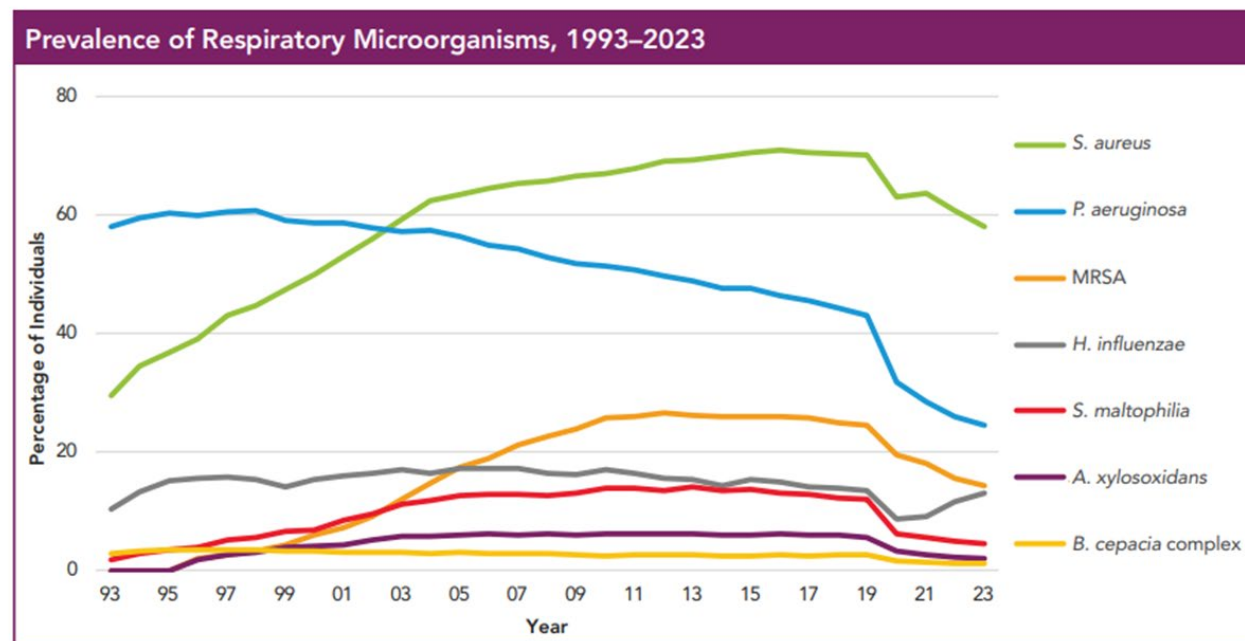
In the Registry, there has been a dramatic decrease in the number of lung transplants reported compared to the numbers prior to the adoption of elexacaftor/tezacaftor/ivacaftor. In 2023, there were 61 lung transplants reported.

LUNG TRANSPLANTS BY YEAR

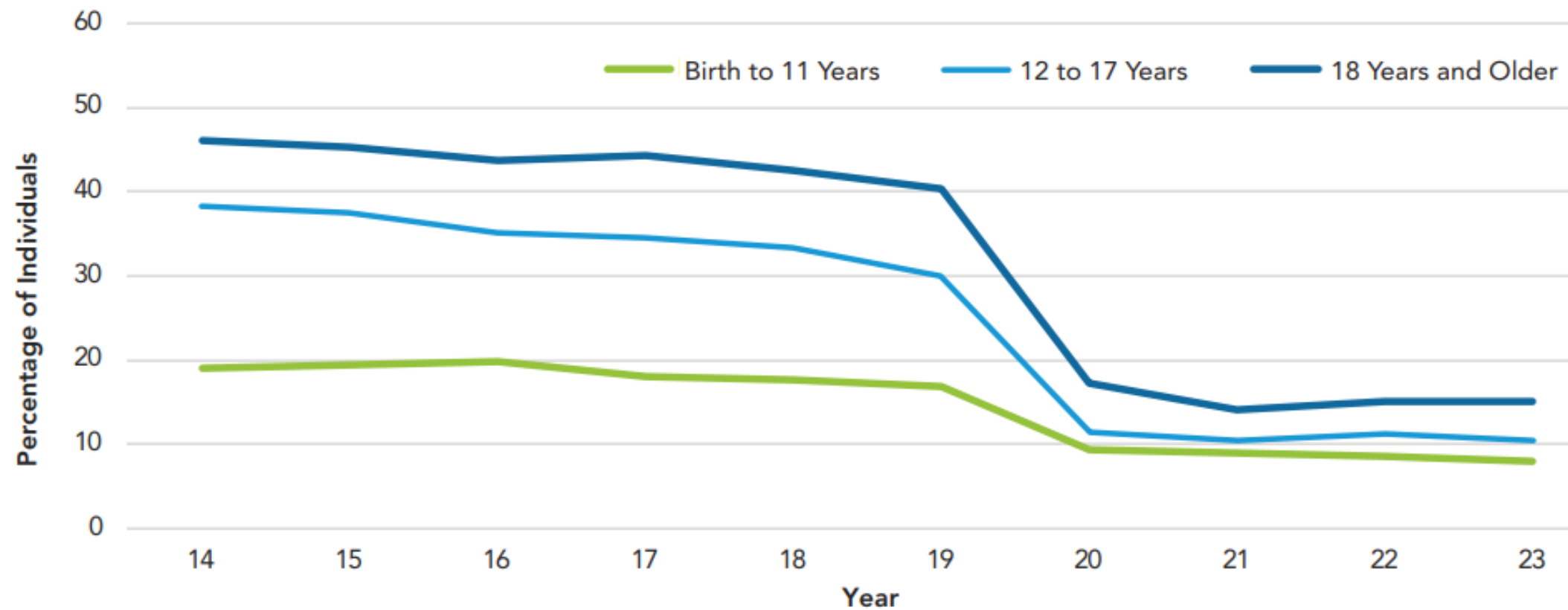


MICROBIOLOGY

Bacteria	Percent With Infection	Median Age in Years at First Infection
 <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	25%	5
 <i>Stenotrophomonas maltophilia</i>	5%	9
 Methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	14%	10
 <i>Achromobacter xylosoxidans</i>	2%	14
 <i>Burkholderia cepacia</i> complex	1%	20
 Nontuberculous mycobacteria	10%	25



Individuals Treated With IV Antibiotics for a Pulmonary Exacerbation, 2014–2023

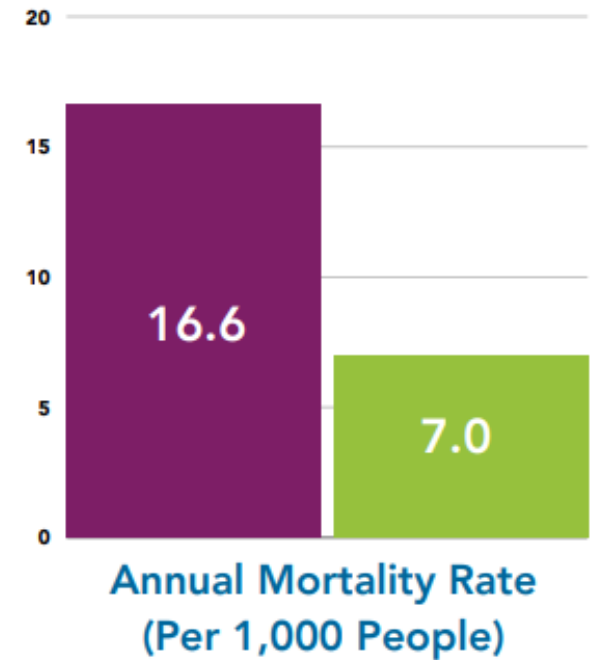
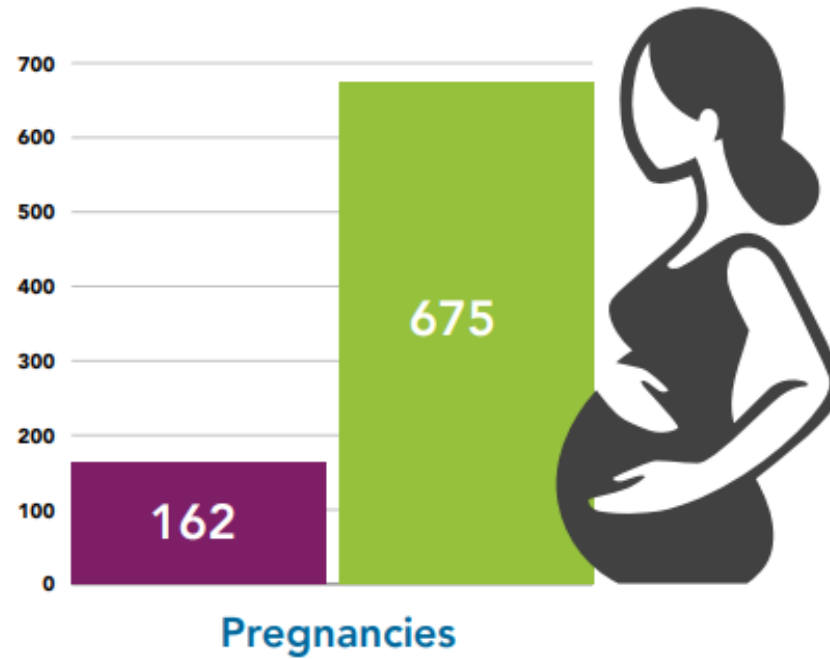


20 YEARS OF PROGRESS

■ 2003 ■ 2023

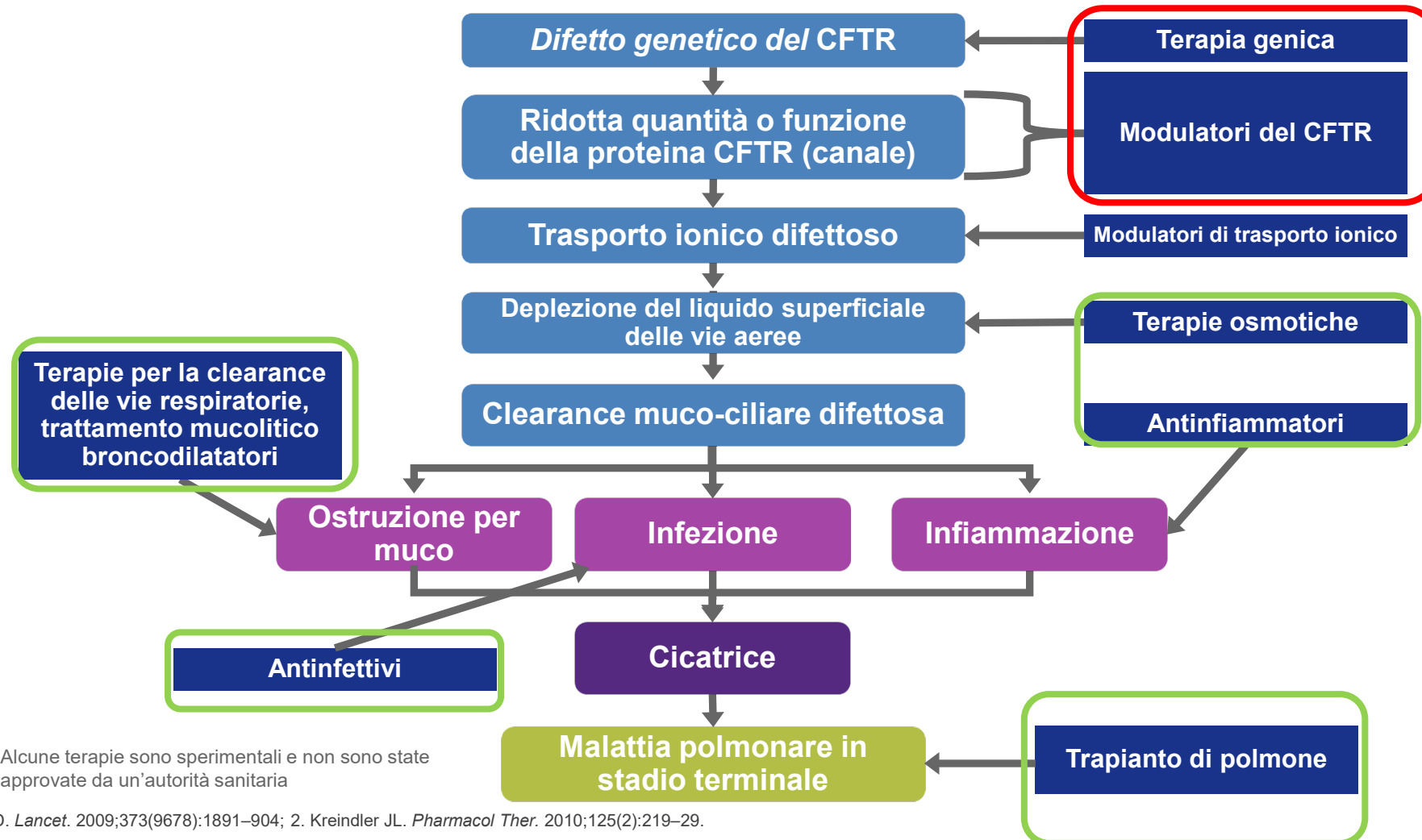


18 Years or Older
 2003: 8,518 2023: 20,107



Le terapie che mirano ai difetti sottostanti sono potenzialmente in grado di ritardare o prevenire i sintomi^{1,2}

Cascata patofisiologica della malattia polmonare nella FC^{1,2}



Promesse e sfide della terapia genica in FC

- **La terapia genica ha la potenzialità di correggere tutte le mutazioni CFTR, indipendentemente dalla classe di mutazione¹**
- La clonazione del gene CFTR nel 1989 aveva fatto sperare che la terapia di sostituzione genica potesse essere usata nella cura di FC²

Vantaggi teorici della terapia genica³

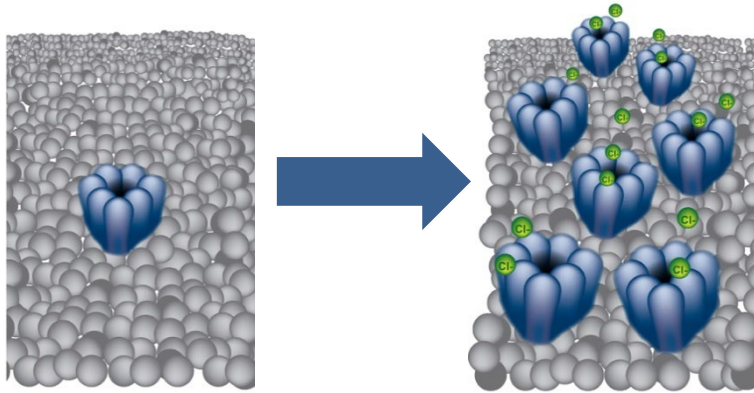
Indipendente dalla classe di mutazione e potenzialmente idonea per tutti i pazienti

Agisce sul difetto genetico di FC - potenziale prevenzione di malattie polmonari, con un intervento precoce

Mutazione-agnostica, è quindi possibile che il genotipo non debba essere confermato

- Tuttavia, l'identificazione di un vettore idoneo di trasferimento genico si è rivelata un problema¹
 - Vanno superati dei solidi meccanismi fisici e immunologici di difesa delle vie aeree¹

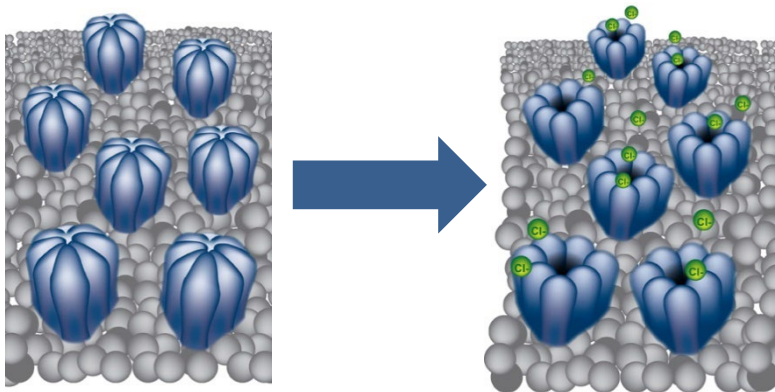
I modulatori di CFTR influenzano l'attività di CFTR e aumentano il trasporto di $\text{Cl}^{-1,2}$



Correttori di CFTR

Facilitano un aumentato trasporto di Cl^{-} , aumentando la quantità di CFTR trasportata verso la superficie cellulare

per es. lumacaftor; tezacaftor; FDL169; GLPG2222; VX-152; VX-440, VX-445; VX-659; PTI-801



Potenziatori di CFTR

Facilitano un aumentato trasporto di Cl^{-} , incrementando la probabilità di apertura del canale della proteina CFTR sulla superficie cellulare

per es. ivacaftor; VX-561; QBW251; PTI-808

NUOVE TERAPIE VOLTE A MODULARE LA FUNZIONE/QUANTITÀ DELLA PROTEINA CFTR ALTERATA



INDICAZIONI:

- Età \geq 4 mesi
- Specifiche mutazioni di classe III (G551D, G1244E, S1251N) o classe IV (R117H)

INDICAZIONI:

- Età \geq 2 anni
- **Omozigoti per F508del**

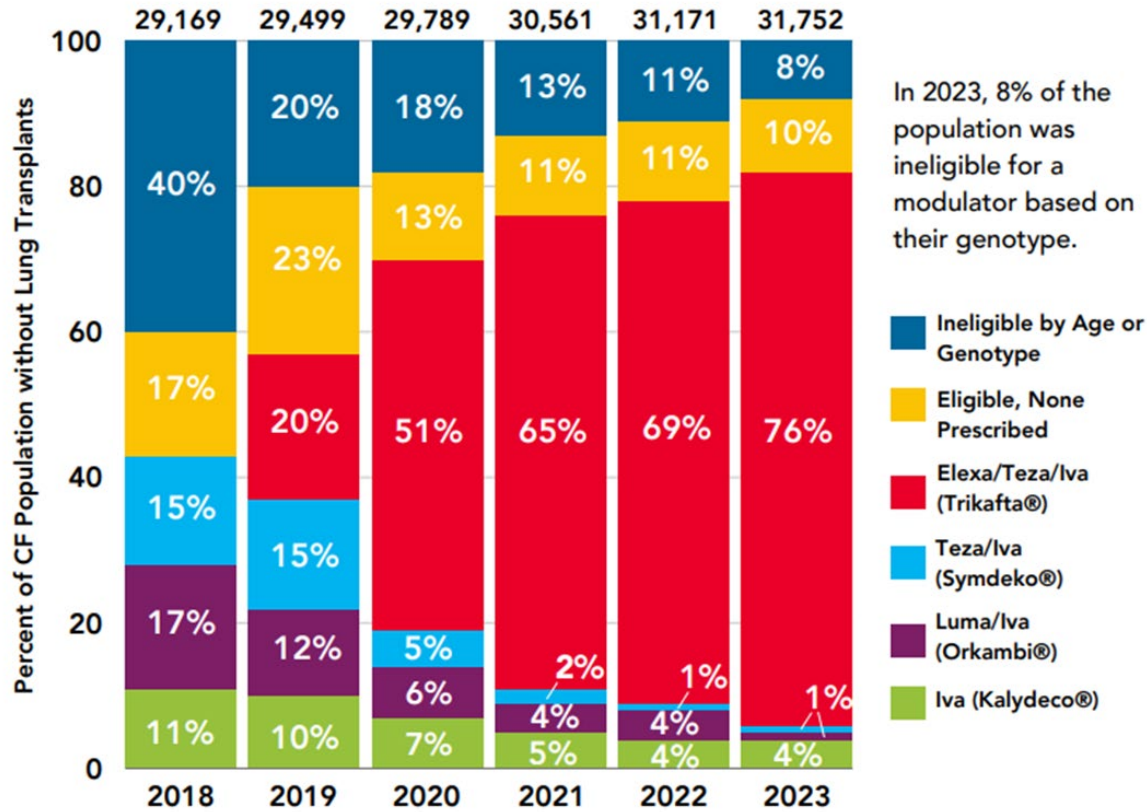
INDICAZIONI:

- Età \geq 12 anni
- **Omozigoti per F508del**
- Eterozigoti per F508del in associazione ad una mutazione di classe IV (D1152H, P67L, S977F)

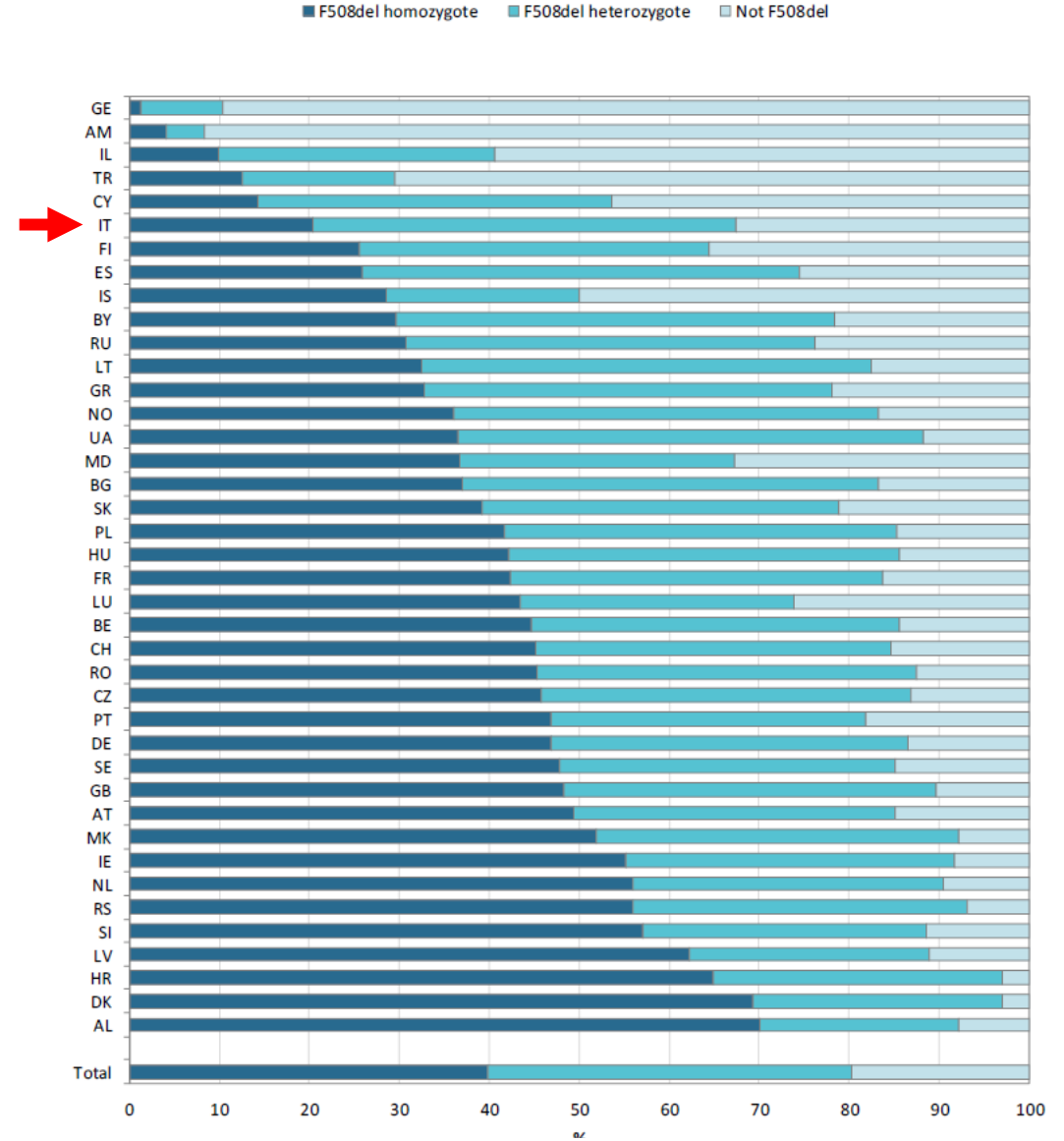
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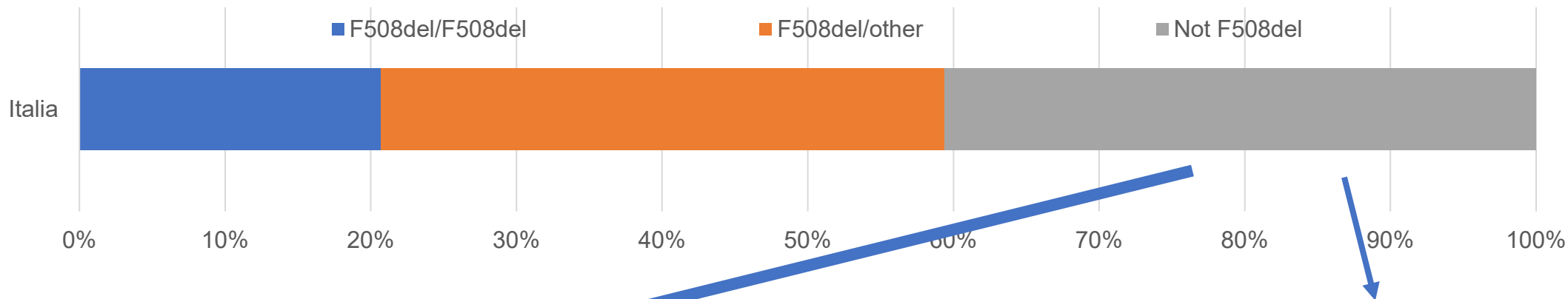
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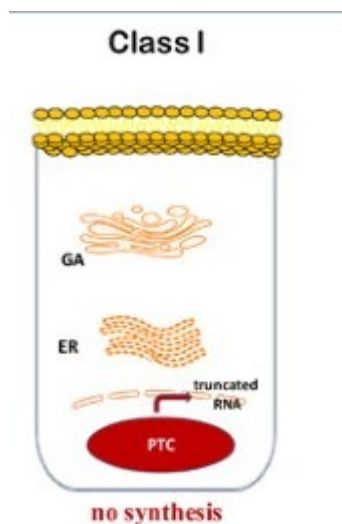


In 2023, 8% of the population was ineligible for a modulator based on their genotype.





Mutazioni non-sense (stop, classe I):
Arresto prematuro della produzione di CFTR



MUTAZIONE TIPO "STOP"	2022	
	n.	%
G542X	528	8,7
W1282X	222	3,7
R553X	138	2,3
R1162X	129	2,1
E585X	54	0,9
R1158X	52	0,9
E831X	29	0,5
S1455X	22	0,4
Q1476X	13	0,2
R709X	11	0,2
L732X	10	0,2
Y849X	9	0,1
R785X	9	0,1
Q220X	8	0,1

NOTA: Omozigosi (mutazione stop/mutazione stop): 61

Tabella 9. Numero di pazienti portatori di almeno una delle mutazioni "non senso" (stop codon) (n. 1.234; 20,3%) con frequenza allelica $\geq 0,1\%$ (n. 6.076). Anno 2022.

Table 9. Number of patients with at least one "non-sense" mutation (stop codon) (No. 1,234; 20.3%) with allelic frequency $\geq 0.1\%$ (No. 6,076). Year 2022.

Delezioni, duplicazioni, frameshift,
missense, splicing, unknown

GENOTIPO	2022	
	n.	%
F508del / Altro*	2.329	38,3
Altri genotipi	1.389	22,9
F508del / F508del	1.249	20,6
F508del / Funzione residua	548	9,0
Funzione residua/Altro*	502	8,3
Funzione residua/Funzione residua	59	1,0
F508del / Funzione Minima	1.545	25,4
Funzione Minima/ Funzione Minima	654	10,8
Funzione Minima / Altro**	2.490	41,0
Funzione Residua / Altro**	1.050	17,3
F508del / Gating	110	1,8
Gating / Altro**	198	3,3
F508del / Unknown	50	0,8

*Include tutte le mutazioni non F508del e non funzione residua

**Include tutte le altre mutazioni non F508del né funzione residua né funzione minima

Tabella 8. Prevalenza dei pazienti con mutazione F508del e funzione residua in omozigosi ed eterozigosi composta (n. 6.076). Anno 2022.

Table 8. Prevalence of homozygous and compound heterozygous patients F508del carriers and residual function carriers (No. 6,076). Year 2022.

2018 Priorities	2023 Priorities
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are the effective ways of simplifying the treatment burden of people with CF? 2. How can we relieve gastro-intestinal symptoms, such as stomach pain, bloating and nausea? 3. What is the best treatment for non-tuberculous mycobacterium (including when to start and what medication)? 4. Which therapies are effective in delaying or preventing progression of lung disease in early life? 5. Is there a way of preventing CF related diabetes? 6. What effective ways of motivation, support and technologies help people with CF improve and sustain adherence to treatment? 7. Can exercise replace chest physiotherapy? 8. Which antibiotic combinations and dosing plans should be used for CF exacerbations and should antibiotic combinations be rotated? 9. Is there a way of reducing the negative effects of antibiotics e.g. resistance risk and adverse symptoms in people with CF? 10. What is the best way of eradicating <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What options are available for those not able to take current CFTR modulators (including rarer mutations, not eligible and unable to tolerate)? 2. What is the best way to diagnose lung infection when there is no sputum e.g. children and those on modulators? 3. How can we relieve gastro-intestinal symptoms, such as stomach pain, bloating and nausea? 4. How do we manage an ageing population with CF? 5. Is there a way of reducing the negative effects of antibiotics e.g. resistance risk and adverse symptoms in people with CF? 6. What are the long-term effects of medications (including CFTR modulators) in CF? 7. What are the effects of modulators on systems outside the lungs such as pancreatic function, liver disease, gastro-intestinal, bone density etc.? 8. What are the effective ways of simplifying the treatment burden of people with CF? 9. Can genetic therapies (such as gene editing, stem cell and mRNA technology) be used as a treatment for CF? 10. Is there a way of preventing CF related diabetes (CFRD) in people with CF?

Figure 2 The top 10 questions for research in cystic fibrosis in 2018 and 2023. Those marked in bold feature in both.

THERATYPING

Sperimentazione, a livello cellulare, di farmaci già in uso clinico per la FC, su genotipi non precedentemente valutati e per i quali non erano progettati.



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Organoid Technology and Its Role for Theratyping Applications in Cystic Fibrosis

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FDA Approves Expansion of Modulators for People With Certain Rare Mutations

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) today expanded its approval of three CFTR modulators to include additional people with CF who have certain rare mutations. The approval enables more than 600 individuals with CF who were not previously eligible for modulators to access drugs that treat the underlying cause of their disease for the first time.

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546insCTA	E92K	G576A	L346P	R117G	S589N
711+3A→G*	E116K	G576A;R668C [†]	L967S	R117H	S737F
2789+5G→A*	E193K	G622D	L997F	R117L	S912L
3272-26A→G*	E403D	G970D	L1324P	R117P	S945L*
3849+10kbC→T*	E588V	G1069R	L1335P	R170H	S977F*
A120T	E822K	G1244E	L1480P	R258G	S1159F
A234D	E831X	G1249R	M152V	R334L	S1159P
A349V	F191V	G1349D	M265R	R334Q	S1251N
A455E*	F311del	H939R	M952I	R347H*	S1255P
A554E	F311L	H1054D	M952T	R347L	T338I
A1006E	F508C	H1375P	P5L	R347P	T1036N
A1067T	F508C;S1251N [†]	I148T	P67L*	R352Q*	T1053I
D110E	F508del*	I175V	P205S	R352W	V201M
D110H*	F575Y	I336K	Q98R	R553Q	V232D
D192G	F1016S	I601F	Q237E	R668C	V562I
D443Y	F1052V	I618T	Q237H	R751L	V754M
D443Y;G576A;R668C [†]	F1074L	I807M	Q359R	R792G	V1153E
D579G*	F1099L	I980K	Q1291R	R933G	V1240G
D614G	G126D	I1027T	R31L	R1066H	V1293G
D836Y	G178E	I1139V	R74Q	R1070Q	W1282R
D924N	G178R	I1269N	R74W	R1070W*	Y109N
D979V	G194R	I1366N	R74W;D1270N [†]	R1162L	Y161S
D1152H*	G194V	K1060T	R74W;V201M [†]	R1283M	Y1014C
D1270N	G314E	L15P	R74W;V201M;D1270N [†]	R1283S	Y1032C
E56K	G551D	L206W*	R75Q	S549N	
E60K	G551S	L320V	R117C*	S549R	

* Clinical data for these mutations in Clinical Studies [see Clinical Studies (14.1 and 14.2)].

* A patient must have two copies of the F508del mutation or at least one copy of a responsive mutation presented in Table 6 to be indicated.

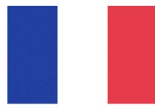
† Complex/compound mutations where a single allele of the CFTR gene has multiple mutations; these exist independent of the presence of mutations on the other allele.

3141delI9	E822K	G1069R	L967S	R117L	S912L
546insCTA	F191V	G1244E	L997F	R117P	S945L
A46D	F311del	G1249R	L1077P	R170H	S977F
A120T	F311L	G1349D	L1324P	R258G	S1159F
A234D	F508C	H139R	L1335P	R334L	S1159P
A349V	F508C;S1251N [†]	H199Y	L1480P	R334Q	S1251N
A455E	F508del*	H939R	M152V	R347H	S1255P
A554E	F575Y	H1054D	M265R	R347L	T338I
A1006E	F1016S	H1085P	M952I	R347P	T1036N
A1067T	F1052V	H1085R	M952T	R352Q	T1053I
D110E	F1074L	H1375P	M1101K	R352W	V201M
D110H	F1099L	I148T	P5L	R553Q	V232D
D192G	G27R	I175V	P67L	R668C	V456A
D443Y	G85E	I336K	P205S	R751L	V456F
D443Y;G576A;R668C [†]	G126D	I502T	P574H	R792G	V562I
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D836Y	G194R	I807M	Q237H	R1070Q	V1240G
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D979V	G314E	I1027T	Q1291R	R1162L	W361R
D1152H	G463V	I1139V	R31L	R1283M	W1098C
D1270N	G480C	I1269N	R74Q	R1283S	W1282R
E56K	G551D	I1366N	R74W	S13F	Y109N
E60K	G551S	K1060T	R74W;D1270N [†]	S341P	Y161D
E92K	G576A	L15P	R74W;V201M [†]	S364P	Y161S
E116K	G576A;R668C [†]	L165S	R74W;V201M;D1270N [†]	S492F	Y563N
E193K	G622D	L206W	R75Q	S549N	Y1014C
E403D	G628R	L320V	R117C	S549R	Y1032C
E474K	G970D	L346P	R117G	S589N	
E588V	G1061R	L453S	R117H	S737F	

* F508del is a responsive CFTR mutation based on both clinical and *in vitro* data [see Clinical Studies (14)].

† Complex/compound mutations where a single allele of the CFTR gene has multiple mutations; these exist independent of the presence of mutations on the other allele.

The FDA decision expands the labels for **Trikafta**[®] (elixacaftor/tezacaftor/ivacaftor), **Symdeko**[®] (tezacaftor/ivacaftor), and **Kalydeco**[®] (ivacaftor) to include additional rare mutations that were previously not approved for CFTR modulators. Trikafta is now approved for individuals who are 12 years and older with at least one of 177 newly-approved mutations; Symdeko is now approved for individuals who are 6 years and older with one of 127 additional mutations; and Kalydeco is now approved for individuals who are 4 months and older with one of 59 additional mutations.



The French Compassionate Program of elexacaftor-tezacaftor-ivacaftor in people with cystic fibrosis with advanced lung disease and no F508del *CFTR* variant

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Metodi:

- Studio osservazionale sugli effetti di ETI su una popolazione di pazienti FC con patologia polmonare avanzata ($FEV_1 < 40\%$), non eleggibili a ETI.
- Efficacia valutata da una commissione a 4-6 settimane in termini di manifestazioni cliniche, cloro sudorale, $FEV_1\%$.

Results:

- Tra gli 84 pazienti con FC arruolati, ETI era efficace in 45 di essi.
- Tra i responders, 22/45 (49%) erano portatori di mutazioni non approvate dalla FDA.

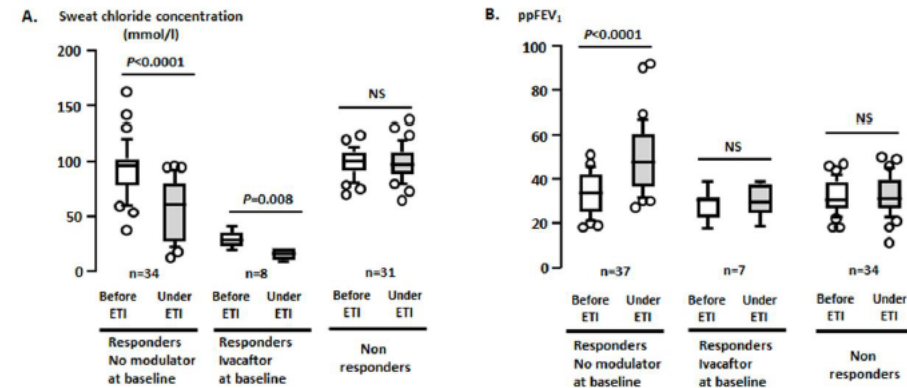


Figure 1. Comparison of sweat chloride concentration and ppFEV₁ before ETI and under ETI according to responder status and ivacaftor at baseline. A. Sweat chloride concentration B. ppFEV₁. Box plots: median [IQR] (error bars, 10-90 percentile) with outliers. Data were analyzed using the nonparametric Wilcoxon's test.



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Mucoviscidose : de nouveaux patients vont pouvoir bénéficier de l'association des comprimés pelliculés Kaftrio et Kalydeco



Actualisation du 1^{er} juin 2023

Depuis le 1^{er} juin 2023, le cadre de prescription compassionnelle (CPC) associant les médicaments Kaftrio et Kalydeco s'étend aux patients atteints de mucoviscidose non porteurs d'une mutation F508del, dès l'âge de 6 ans et quel que soit le degré de sévérité de la maladie. Le traitement n'est pas indiqué chez les patients qui présentent 2 gènes mutés prédictifs de l'absence de synthèse de la protéine CFTR. L'élargissement du CPC prend en compte l'évolution des connaissances scientifiques.

Il est toujours recommandé que la prescription du traitement soit soumise à l'avis du centre coordinateur du centre de référence maladie rare (CRMR) mucoviscidose et affections liées à une anomalie de CFTR, selon la pratique clinique actuelle, et que les patients traités dans le cadre de ce CPC soient inscrits dans le registre français de la mucoviscidose.

Accédez au protocole d'utilisation thérapeutique et de suivi des patients (PUT-SP), qui détaille les modalités d'emploi de Kaftrio 75 mg/50 mg/100 mg comprimé pelliculé, Kaftrio 37,5 mg/25 mg/50 mg comprimé pelliculé, associés respectivement à Kalydeco 150 mg comprimé pelliculé et Kalydeco 75 mg comprimé pelliculé dans les conditions de ce CPC.

The expanded French compassionate programme for elexacaftor–tezacaftor–ivacaftor use in people with cystic fibrosis without a F508del *CFTR* variant: a real-world study



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Interpretation In France, over half of the population with cystic fibrosis without a F508del variant responded to elexacaftor–tezacaftor–ivacaftor, with most responders having no FDA-approved variant. The treatment period was relatively short and further research is warranted to describe the long-term safety and effectiveness of elexacaftor–tezacaftor–ivacaftor in this population.

37 variants were unequivocally non-responsive (always non-responsive in at least three non-responders), including I507del, L227R, E1104X, E585X, G542X, Q220X, R1162X, R553X, S466X, W1098X, W1282X, W846X, Y122X, 1078delT, 1677delTA, 2183AA>G, 3659delC, 394delTT, 1717-1G>A, 2622+1G>A, 3120+1G>A, 621+1G>T, 711+1G>T, *CFTR*dele17a-18, *CFTR*dele2-3, 1811+1.6kbA>G, and c.3469-1304C>G. In addition, 96 variants (two FDA-approved [I175V and M152V] and 94 non-FDA-approved) were probably non-responsive (always non-responsive in one or two non-responders).

Another 64 variants were present only in trans of known responsive variants and could therefore not be categorised.

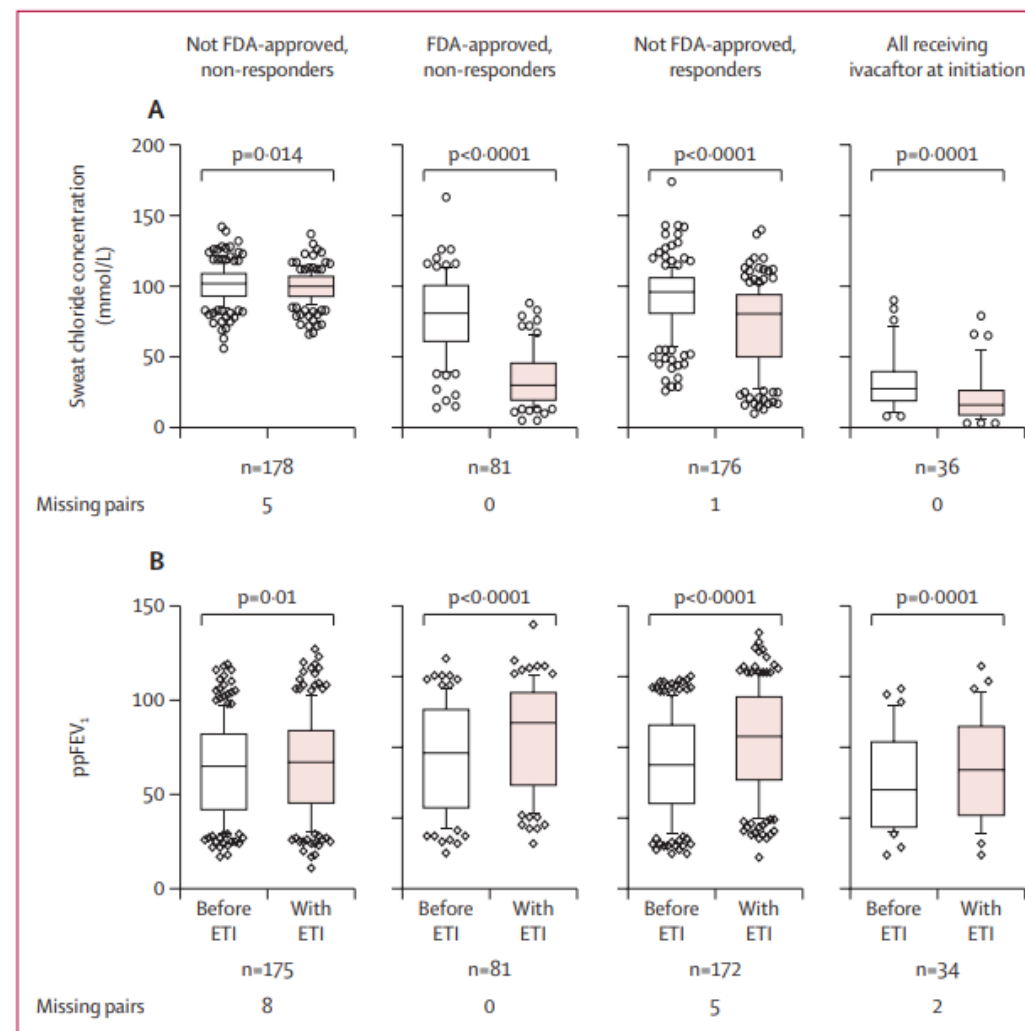


Figure 2: Comparison of (A) sweat chloride concentration and (B) ppFEV₁ before ETI initiation and with ETI treatment

Vertex Announces European Medicines Agency Validation for Marketing Authorization Application Extension for KAFTRIO® in Combination With Ivacaftor to Include People With Cystic Fibrosis and Responsive Rare Mutations

November 24, 2023

-Application to add ~200 non-F508del CFTR mutations to the KAFTRIO® license-

-If approved, ~2,800 people with cystic fibrosis in the European Union ages 2 and above could receive a medicine that treats the underlying cause of their disease for the first time-

LONDON--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Nov. 24, 2023-- [Vertex Pharmaceuticals](#) (Nasdaq: VRTX) today announced that the European Medicines Agency (EMA) has validated a Type II variation application to the Marketing Authorization for KAFTRIO® (ivacaftor/tezacaftor/elexacaftor) in combination with ivacaftor. The application is for expansion of the approved indication for KAFTRIO® in a combination regimen with ivacaftor for the treatment of people with cystic fibrosis (CF) ages 2 and above who have a mutation in the cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator (CFTR) gene that is responsive based on clinical and/or *in vitro* data, including the N1303K mutation. The application will now be reviewed by the Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP), which will issue an opinion to the European Commission regarding the potential approval of this license expansion.

Data to support this submission includes the results of a Phase 3, randomized, placebo-controlled clinical study in people with rare non-F508del KAFTRIO®-responsive CFTR mutations. This study met its primary endpoint and showed that KAFTRIO® in combination with ivacaftor resulted in rapid, statistically significant, and clinically meaningful improvements in lung function compared to placebo (9.2 percentage point increase in ppFEV₁; $P < 0.0001$; 95% CI [7.2, 11.3]). The medicine was generally well tolerated, with safety data generally consistent with the established safety profile of KAFTRIO® in combination with ivacaftor.

The Marketing Authorization Application submission package also includes real-world evidence data from the U.S. Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Patient Registry with respect to people with CF with non-F508del KAFTRIO®-responsive CFTR mutations who are receiving commercially available TRIKAFTA® (which is the name for KAFTRIO® in the U.S.). In addition, the submission includes *in vitro* data using a well-established laboratory model that has been the basis of approval of the rare mutations indication in the U.S.

"It is encouraging to see such positive clinical trial results for KAFTRIO in people with CF with these rare types of mutations, which are non-F508del," said Professor Isabelle Fajac, Professor of Physiology, Cochin Hospital, Assistance Publique-Hôpitaux de Paris, Université Paris Cité, Paris, France. "The majority of these people currently have no treatment option to address the underlying cause of their CF, so this submission is an extremely important step towards a medicine becoming available for these people with high unmet medical needs."

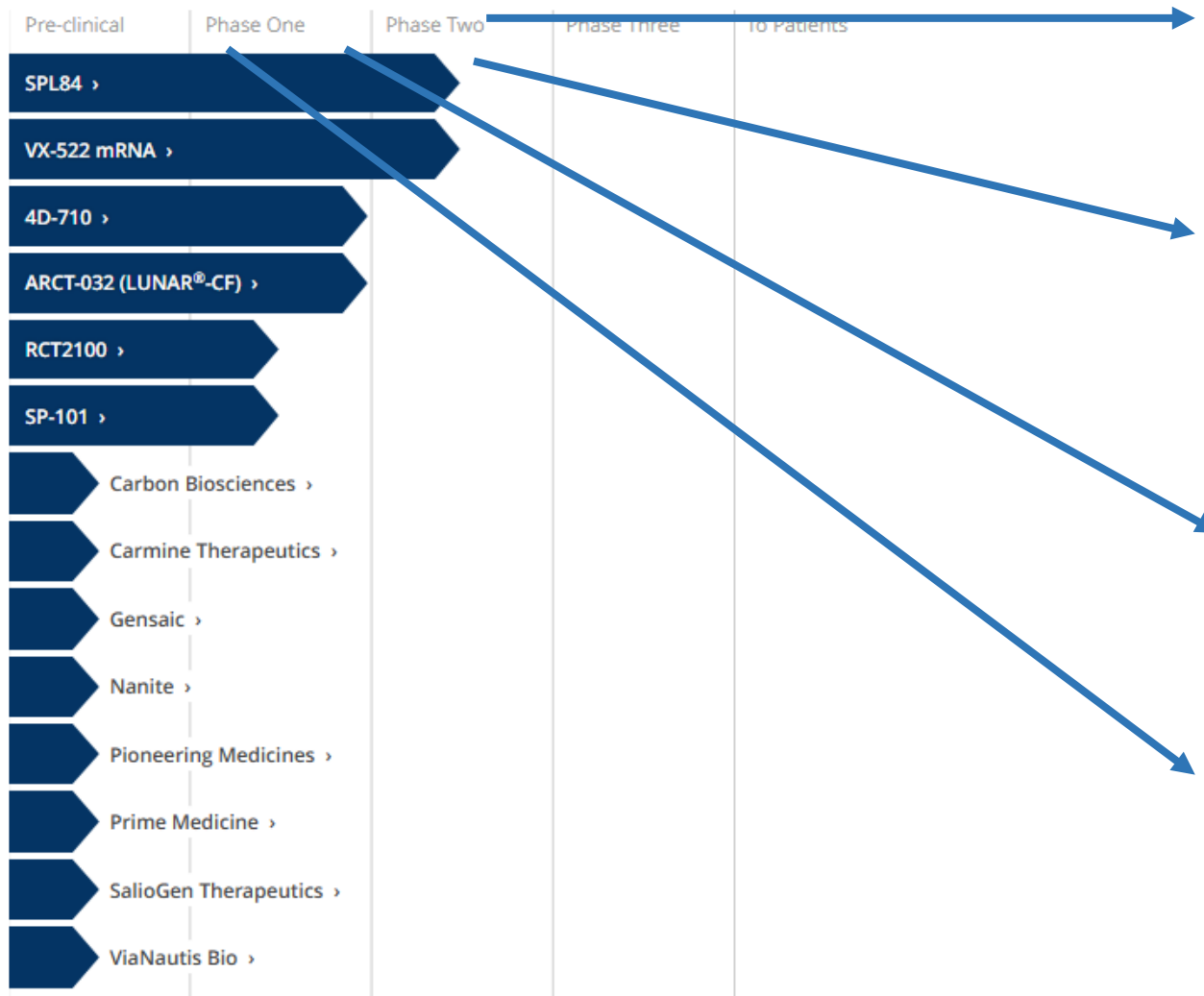
"We are committed to going the distance in cystic fibrosis and dedicated to bringing treatments to all people with CF," said Nia Tatsis, Ph.D., Executive Vice President, Chief Regulatory and Quality Officer at Vertex. "We look forward to working with the EMA on this important submission for people with CF who have non-F508del KAFTRIO-responsive rare mutations, who currently cannot access KAFTRIO for the underlying cause of their disease."

Vertex plans to submit regulatory filings for the same mutations in Australia, Brazil, Canada, New Zealand and Switzerland. The company also plans to submit a subset of these mutations, including N1303K and non-canonical splice mutations, not currently included in the U.S. TRIKAFTA® label to the U.S. FDA.

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mRNA

fornisce alla cellula le informazioni corrette per sintetizzare la proteina CFTR normale

Editing genomico

manipolazione genetica in cui si procede alla delezione, all'inserimento, alla sostituzione o alla modifica del DNA genomico di un organismo vivente

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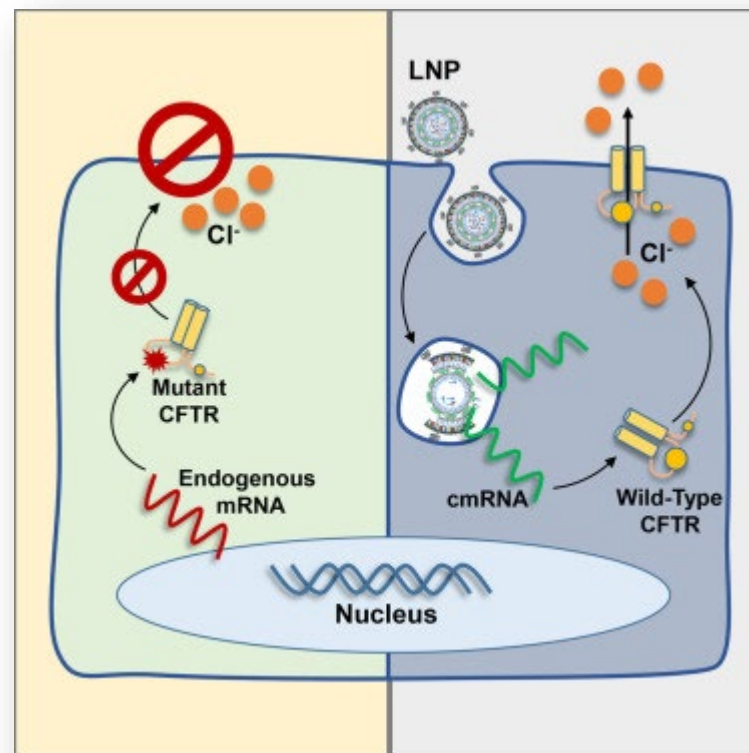
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VX-522 is an inhaled messenger RNA (mRNA) therapy. It aims to deliver a full-length copy of CFTR mRNA to lung cells using a lipid nanoparticle. Lung cells would then use the instructions in the mRNA to create functional CFTR protein. This type of therapy could work for any person with CF, regardless of their CFTR mutations.

Status

A phase 1 study to test the safety and tolerability of VX-522 is underway. The study is for adults with CF who have CFTR mutations that are not responsive to CFTR modulator therapy.



- L'obiettivo è fornire una copia a lunghezza intera del CFTR mRNA alle cellule polmonari utilizzando come vettore una nanoparticella lipidica.
- Le cellule polmonari userebbero quindi le istruzioni contenute nel mRNA per creare la proteina CFTR funzionale.
- Questa terapia potrebbe funzionare per qualsiasi persona con FC, indipendentemente dalle sue mutazioni CFTR.





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