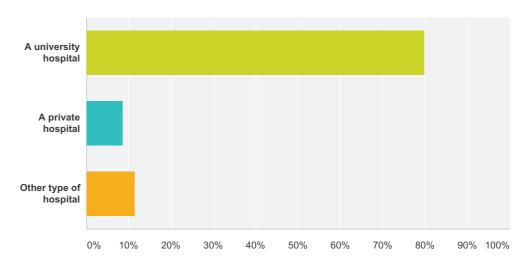
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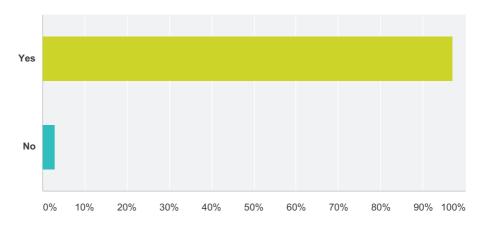
Q1 Is your Institution:



Answer Choices	Responses
A university hospital	80.00% 28
A private hospital	8.57% 3
Other type of hospital	11.43 % 4
Total	35

Q4 Would you be comfortable if we acknowledge your centre in the Europace Journal and on the Website?

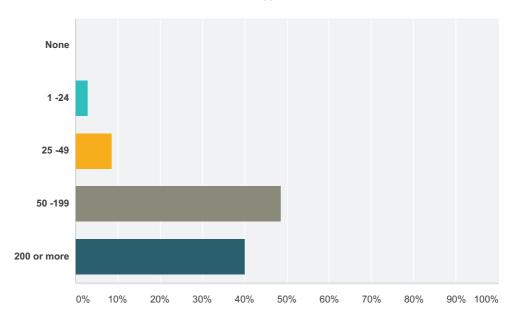
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Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	97.14% 34
No	2.86 % 1
Total	35

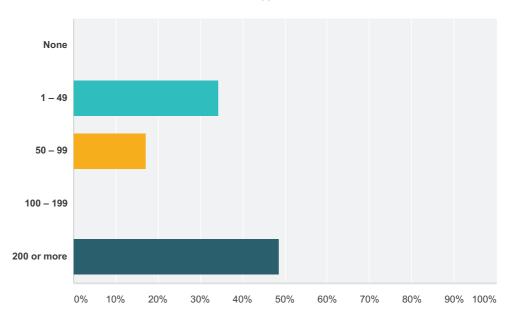
Q5 Number of ICD implantations (Including CRT-Ds) at your institution (including box changes) last calendar year:





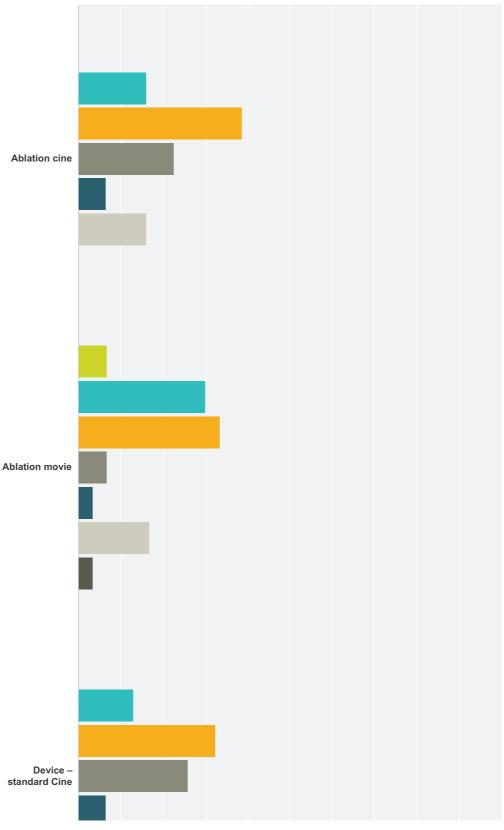
Answer Choices	Responses	
None	0.00%	0
1 -24	2.86%	1
25 -49	8.57%	3
50 -199	48.57%	17
200 or more	40.00%	14
Total		35

Q6 Total number of left atrial catheter ablations (all types of arrhythmia) at your institution last calender year:

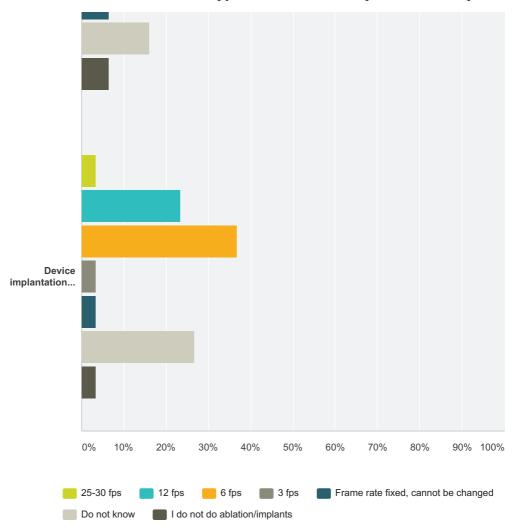


Answer Choices	Responses	
None	0.00%	0
1 – 49	34.29%	12
50 – 99	17.14%	6
100 – 199	0.00%	0
200 or more	48.57%	17
Total		35

Q7 What frame rate of pulsed fluoroscopy do you choose for:

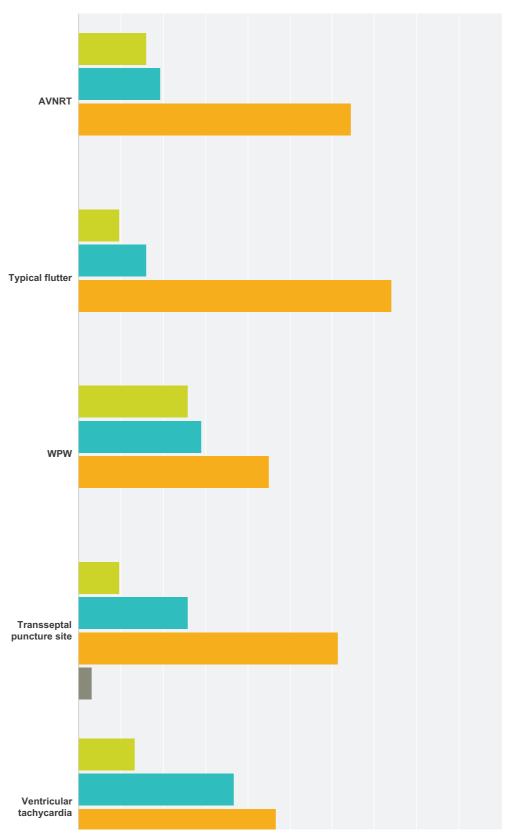


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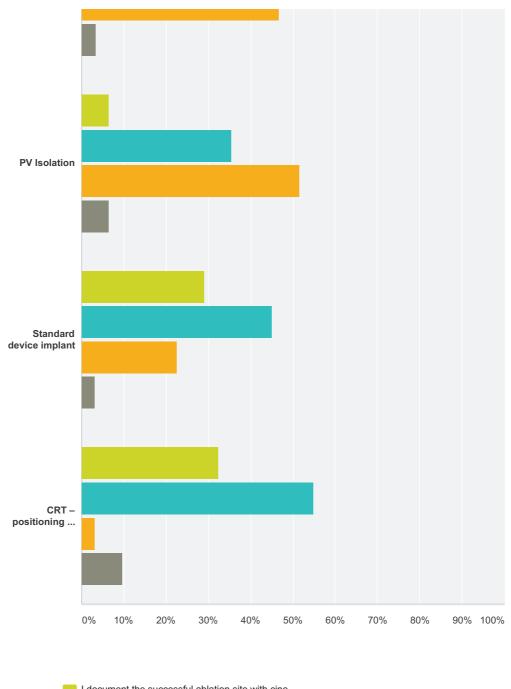


	25-30 fps	12 fps	6 fps	3 fps	Frame rate fixed, cannot be changed	Do not know	I do not do ablation/implants	Tota
Ablation cine	0.00%	16.13%	38.71%	22.58%	6.45%	16.13%	0.00%	
	0	5	12	7	2	5	0	3
Ablation movie	6.67%	30.00%	33.33%	6.67%	3.33%	16.67%	3.33%	
	2	9	10	2	1	5	1	3
Device – standard	0.00%	12.90%	32.26%	25.81%	6.45%	16.13%	6.45%	
Cine	0	4	10	8	2	5	2	3
Device implantation	3.33%	23.33%	36.67%	3.33%	3.33%	26.67%	3.33%	
Movie	1	7	11	1	1	8	1	3

Q8 How do you minimize fluorscopy in different settings:



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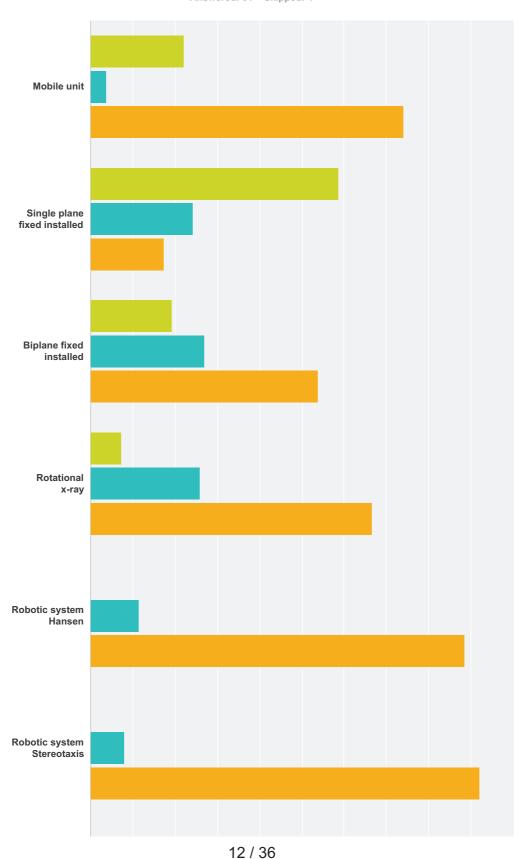
I document the successful ablation site with o	cine
I document the successful ablation site as flu	iorscopic movies
I do not document (save) any images at all	I do not provide that kind of ablation/implants

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AVNRT	16.13% 5	19.35%	64.52% 20	0.00% O	31
Typical flutter	9.68% 3	16.13% 5	74.19% 23	0.00% 0	31

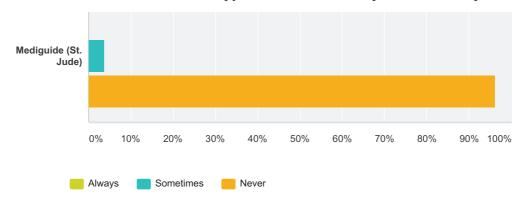
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WPW	25.81%	29.03%	45.16%	0.00%	
	8	9	14	0	
Transseptal	9.68%	25.81%	61.29%	3.23%	
puncture site	3	8	19	1	
Ventricular	13.33%	36.67%	46.67%	3.33%	
tachycardia	4	11	14	1	
PV Isolation	6.45%	35.48%	51.61%	6.45%	
	2	11	16	2	
Standard	29.03%	45.16%	22.58%	3.23%	
device implant	9	14	7	1	
CRT –	32.26%	54.84%	3.23%	9.68%	
positioning of the CS lead	10	17	1	3	

Q9 What kind of X-ray imaging device do/can you use in EP and Ablation?

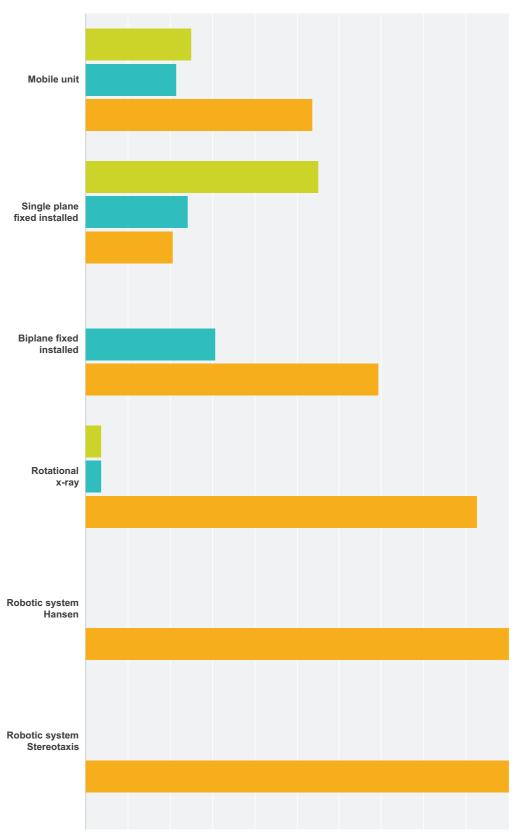


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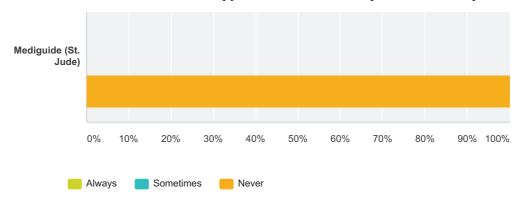


	Always	Sometimes	Never	Total
Mobile unit	22.22%	3.70%	74.07%	
	6	1	20	2
Single plane fixed installed	58.62%	24.14%	17.24%	
	17	7	5	
Biplane fixed installed	19.23%	26.92%	53.85%	
	5	7	14	
Rotational x-ray	7.41%	25.93%	66.67%	
	2	7	18	
Robotic system Hansen	0.00%	11.54%	88.46%	
	0	3	23	
Robotic system Stereotaxis	0.00%	8.00%	92.00%	
	0	2	23	
Mediguide (St. Jude)	0.00%	3.85%	96.15%	
	0	1	25	

Q10 What kind of X-ray imaging device do/can you use during device implantation?

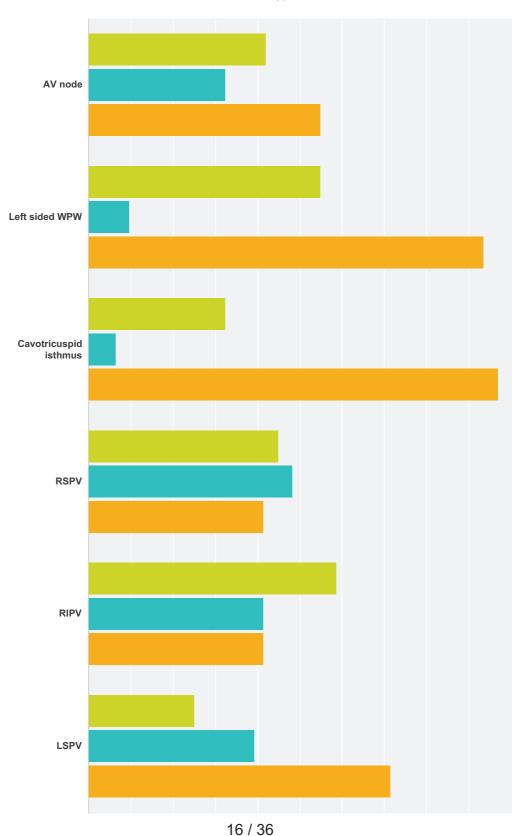


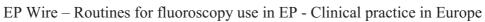
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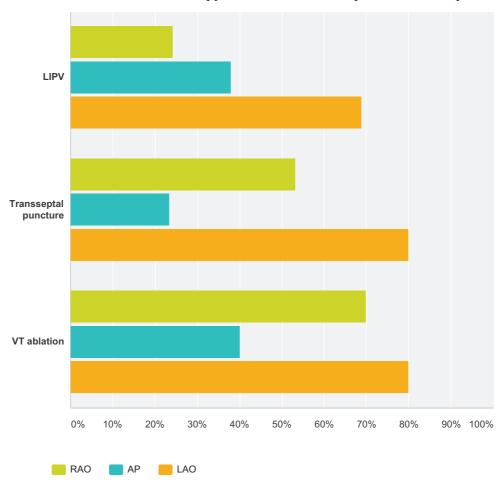


	Always	Sometimes	Never	Total
Mobile unit	25.00%	21.43%	53.57%	
	7	6	15	2
Single plane fixed installed	55.17%	24.14%	20.69%	
	16	7	6	2
Biplane fixed installed	0.00%	30.77%	69.23%	
	0	8	18	2
Rotational x-ray	3.70%	3.70%	92.59%	
	1	1	25	2
Robotic system Hansen	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	
	0	0	26	2
Robotic system Stereotaxis	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	
	0	0	25	2
Mediguide (St. Jude)	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	
	0	0	26	2

Q11 What planes do you routinely use for the different ablation targets? (multiple answers possible)



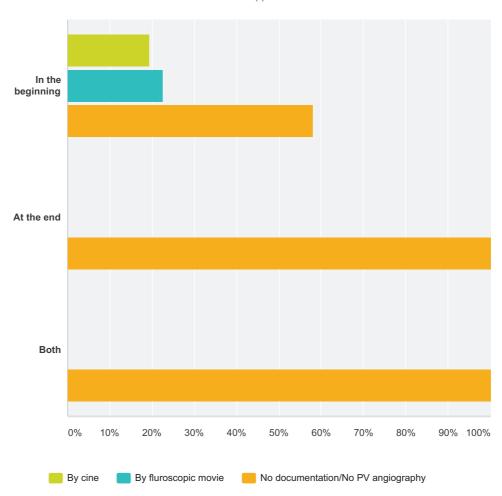




	RAO	AP	LAO	Total Respondents
AV node	41.94%	32.26%	54.84%	
	13	10	17	3
Left sided WPW	54.84%	9.68%	93.55%	
	17	3	29	3
Cavotricuspid isthmus	32.26%	6.45%	96.77%	
	10	2	30	3
RSPV	44.83%	48.28%	41.38%	
	13	14	12	
RIPV	58.62%	41.38%	41.38%	
	17	12	12	
LSPV	25.00%	39.29%	71.43%	
	7	11	20	
LIPV	24.14%	37.93%	68.97%	
	7	11	20	
Transseptal puncture	53.33%	23.33%	80.00%	
	16	7	24	
VT ablation	70.00%	40.00%	80.00%	
	21	12	24	

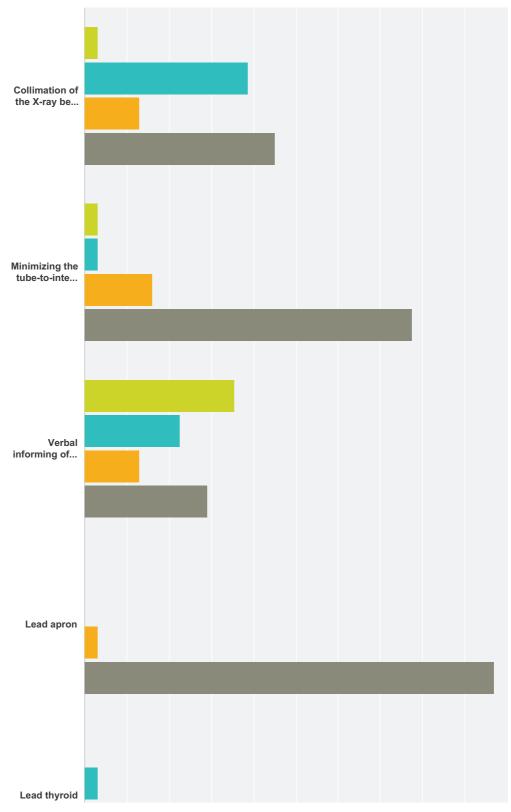
Q12 In procedures for atrial fibrillation do you routinely perform PV Angiography

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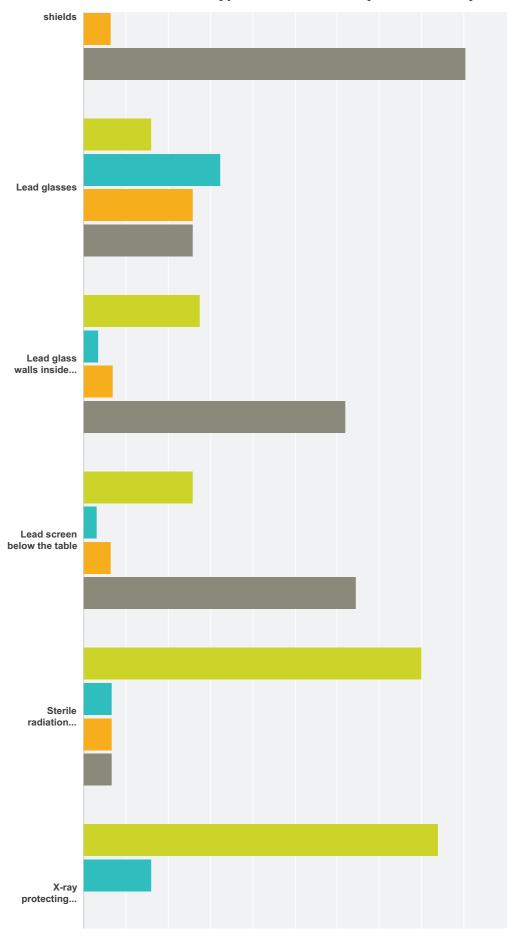


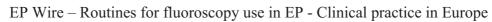
	By cine	By fluroscopic movie	No documentation/No PV angiography	Total
In the beginning	19.35% 6	22.58% 7	58.06% 18	31
At the end	0.00% 0	0.00% O	100.00% 29	29
Both	0.00% O	0.00% O	100.00% 25	25

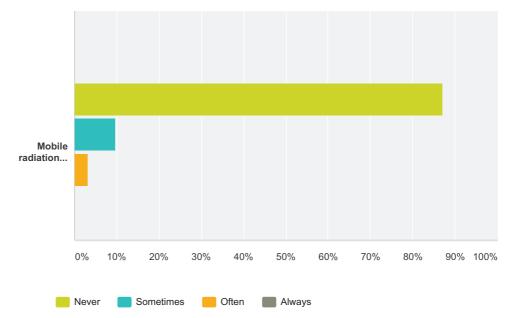
Q13 What kind of safety measures do you use to minimize radiation of the operating/ablating physician?



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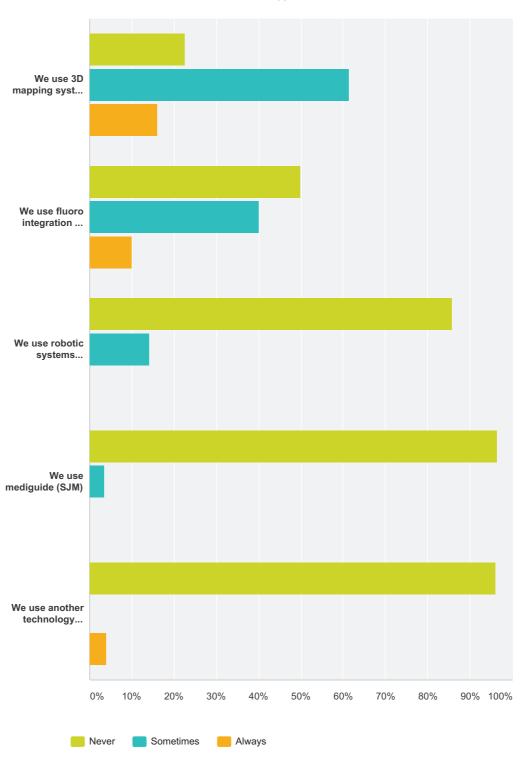




	Never	Sometimes	Often	Always	Tota
Collimation of the X-ray beam (narrowing the diaphragm)	3.23%	38.71%	12.90%	45.16%	
	1	12	4	14	;
Minimizing the tube-to-intensifier distance	3.23%	3.23%	16.13%	77.42%	
	1	1	5	24	
/erbal informing of previous fluoroscopy times	35.48%	22.58%	12.90%	29.03%	
	11	7	4	9	
Lead apron	0.00%	0.00%	3.23%	96.77%	
	0	0	1	30	
Lead thyroid shields	0.00%	3.23%	6.45%	90.32%	
	0	1	2	28	
Lead glasses	16.13%	32.26%	25.81%	25.81%	
	5	10	8	8	
Lead glass walls inside the lab	27.59%	3.45%	6.90%	62.07%	
	8	1	2	18	
Lead screen below the table	25.81%	3.23%	6.45%	64.52%	
	8	1	2	20	
Sterile radiation absorbing pads placed near (around) the device pocket incision	80.00%	6.67%	6.67%	6.67%	
	24	2	2	2	
X-ray protecting sterile gloves	83.87%	16.13%	0.00%	0.00%	
	26	5	0	0	
Mobile radiation protection cabine (e.g. CathPax)?	87.10%	9.68%	3.23%	0.00%	
	27	3	1	0	

Q14 What kind of other technology can you use to minimize radiation?



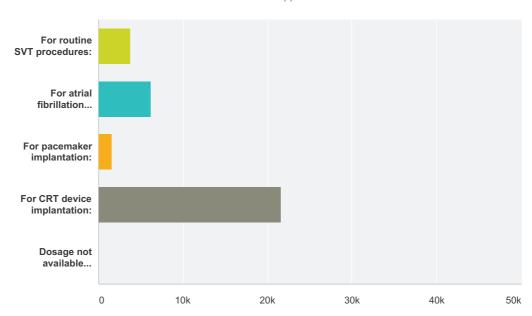


Never	Sometimes	Always	Total

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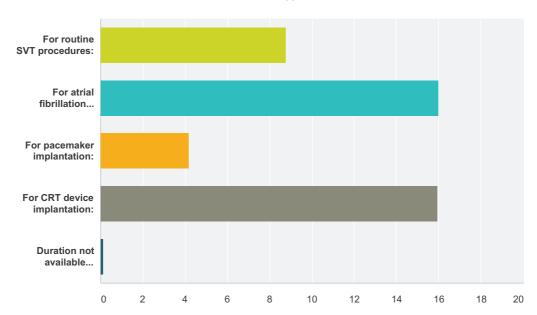
We use 3D mapping systems in routine cases	22.58%	61.29%	16.13%	
	7	19	5	3
We use fluoro integration in our 3D mapping system univu (Biosense Webster)	50.00%	40.00%	10.00%	
	15	12	3	3
We use robotic systems (Stereotaxis, Hansen)	85.71%	14.29%	0.00%	
	24	4	0	2
We use mediguide (SJM)	96.43%	3.57%	0.00%	
	27	1	0	2
We use another technology (Please specify in the box below)	96.00%	0.00%	4.00%	
	24	0	1	2

Q15 What is the mean radiation dosage in mGym² in your EP lab?



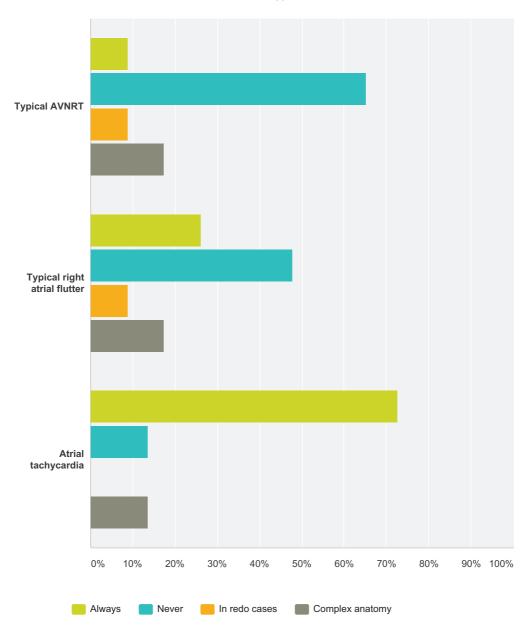
Answer Choices	Average Number	Total Number	Responses
For routine SVT procedures:	3,752	52,526	14
For atrial fibrillation ablation:	6,182	86,551	14
For pacemaker implantation:	1,562	21,868	14
For CRT device implantation:	21,611	302,548	14
Dosage not available (please indicate 0)	1	10	19
Total Respondents: 23			

Q16 What is the mean fluoroscopy duration (in minutes) in your EP lab?



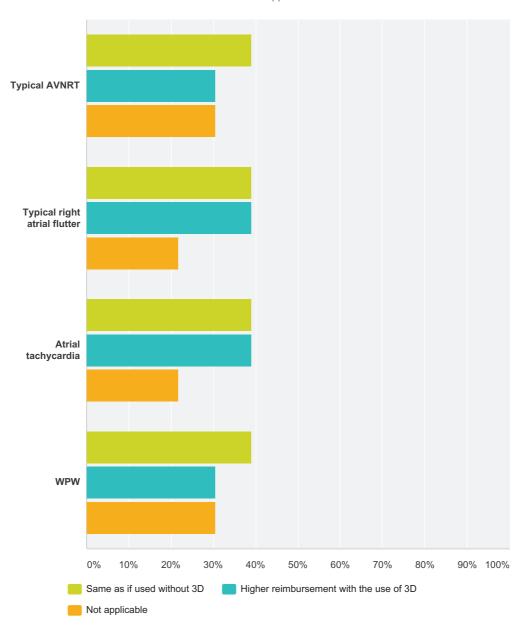
Answer Choices	Average Number	Total Number	Responses
For routine SVT procedures:	9	175	20
For atrial fibrillation ablation:	16	320	20
For pacemaker implantation:	4	79	19
For CRT device implantation:	16	303	19
Duration not available (Please Indicate 0)	0	1	9
Total Respondents: 23			

Q17 Do you use electroanatomic mapping during catheter ablation?



	Always	Never	In redo cases	Complex anatomy	Total
Typical AVNRT	8.70%	65.22%	8.70%	17.39%	22
	2	15	2	4	23
Typical right atrial flutter	26.09%	47.83%	8.70%	17.39%	
	6	11	2	4	23
Atrial tachycardia	72.73%	13.64%	0.00%	13.64%	
	16	3	0	3	22

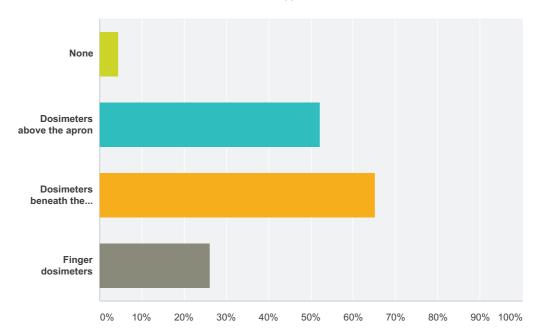
Q18 If you use 3D Mapping for the different arrhythmias how is it reimbursed?



	Same as if used without 3D	Higher reimbursement with the use of 3D	Not applicable	Total
Typical AVNRT	39.13%	30.43%	30.43%	
	9	7	7	23
Typical right atrial flutter	39.13%	39.13%	21.74%	
	9	9	5	23
Atrial tachycardia	39.13%	39.13%	21.74%	
	9	9	5	23
WPW	39.13%	30.43%	30.43%	
	9	7	7	23

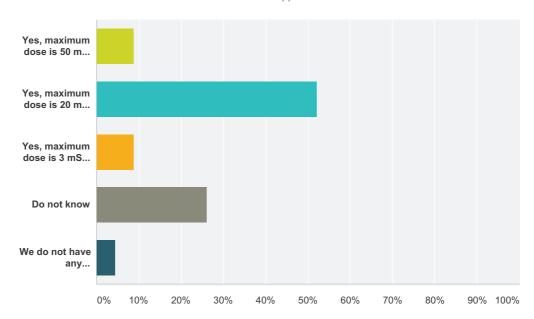
Q19 For operating/ablating physicians, what dosimeters are used for routine monitoring? (multiple choice possible)

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Answer Choices	Responses	
None	4.35%	1
Dosimeters above the apron	52.17%	12
Dosimeters beneath the apron	65.22%	15
Finger dosimeters	26.09%	6
Total Respondents: 23		

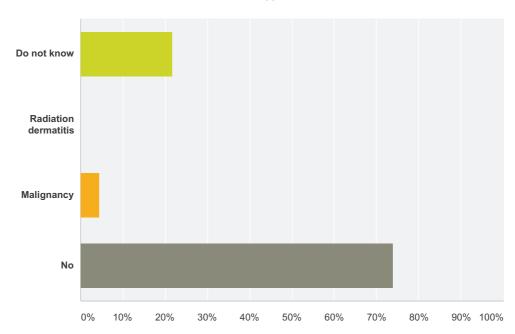
Q20 Is there any monthly/yearly radiation exposure limit for implanting/ablation physicians?



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes, maximum dose is 50 mSv per year	8.70%	2
Yes, maximum dose is 20 mSV per year	52.17%	12
Yes, maximum dose is 3 mSv per month	8.70%	2
Do not know	26.09%	6
We do not have any monthly/yearly limit	4.35%	1
Total		23

Q21 Did someone of your electrophysiology colleagues have suffered illness probably attributable to occupational radiation?

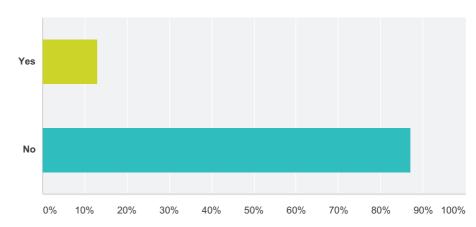
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Do not know	21.74%	5
Radiation dermatitis	0.00%	0
Malignancy	4.35%	1
No	73.91%	17
Total		23

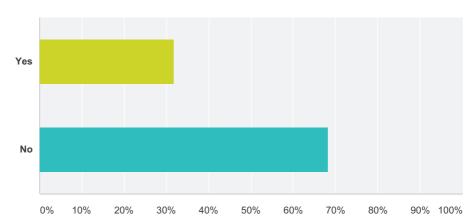
Q22 Did some of your patients suffer from the radiation dermatitis after electrophysiology procedure?

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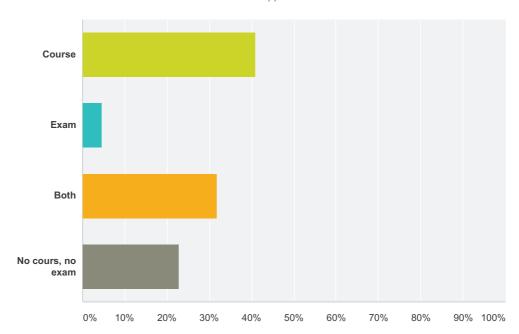
Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	13.04%	3
No	86.96%	20
Total		23

Q23 Do you work with X-ray technician during the procedure?



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	31.82%	7
No	68.18%	15
Total		22

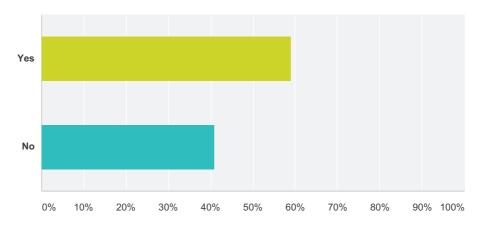
Q24 Physicians using X ray must be certified before using X ray



Answer Choices	Responses	
Course	40.91%	9
Exam	4.55%	1
Both	31.82%	7
No cours, no exam	22.73%	5
Total		22

Q25 In your hospital, are yearly health check-ups mandatory for people working with X-ray in the cardiology department?

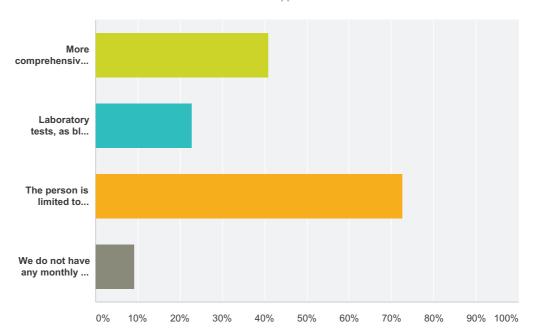
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Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	59.09% 13
No	40.91% 9
Total	22

Q26 If the personnel exceeds monthly or yearly limit of radiation, what measures are taken ? (multiple answers possible)

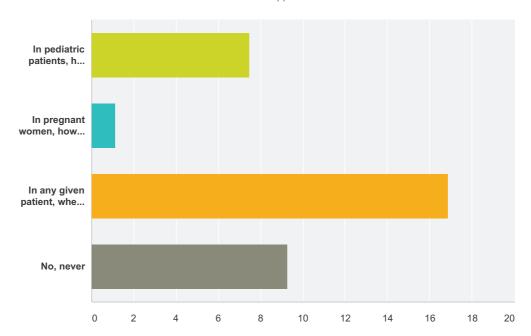
Answered: 22 Skipped: 13



Answer Choices	Responses	
More comprehensive personal measurements are performed	40.91%	9
Laboratory tests, as blood cell count, need to be performed	22.73%	5
The person is limited to perform a certain number of procedures	72.73%	16
We do not have any monthly or yearly limit	9.09%	2
Total Respondents: 22		

Q27 Did you ever consider performing EP studies or device implantation with zero fluoroscopy by the help of 3D mapping?





Answer Choices	Average Number	Total Number	Responses
In pediatric patients, how many n= xxx	7	127	17
In pregnant women, how many n= xxx	1	20	18
In any given patient, where I feel confident n= xxx	17	270	16
No, never	9	102	11
Total Respondents: 22			