#### Obstacles in Arrhythmia treatment in Serbia



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## Referral Pacemaker center in Clinical center of Serbia



#### Referral center established 1967



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- Separate clinic, 12 beds, 10 physicians
- 1300 IPG, 150 ICD, 180 CRTp/D
- National registry
- Official National training center
- Official international "Hands-on" training center
- International Research center





President, Nucleus of European Society of Cardiac Pacing 1989

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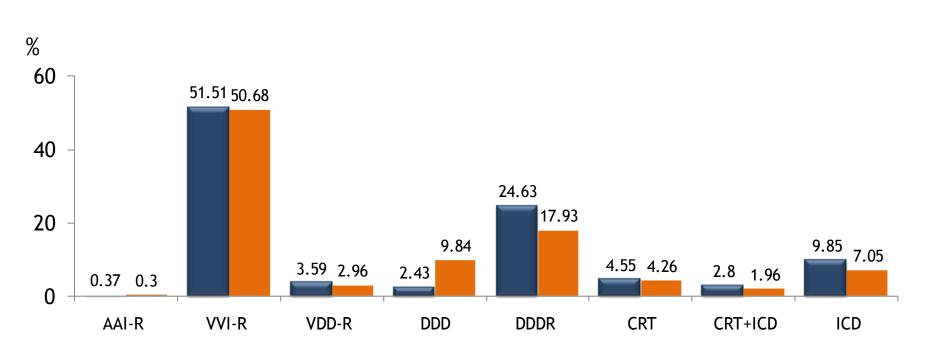
#### National Pacemaker Registry 2009

| Population in million        | 7,498,001 |   |
|------------------------------|-----------|---|
| Number of implanting centers | 16        | King the second s |
| Total PM implants            | 3207      | MOLTON Streams  |
| Total ICD implants           | 405       |   |
| New PM implants              | 2802      |   |
| New PM implants in male      | 1782      | New Press   |
| New PM implants in female    | 1020      |   |



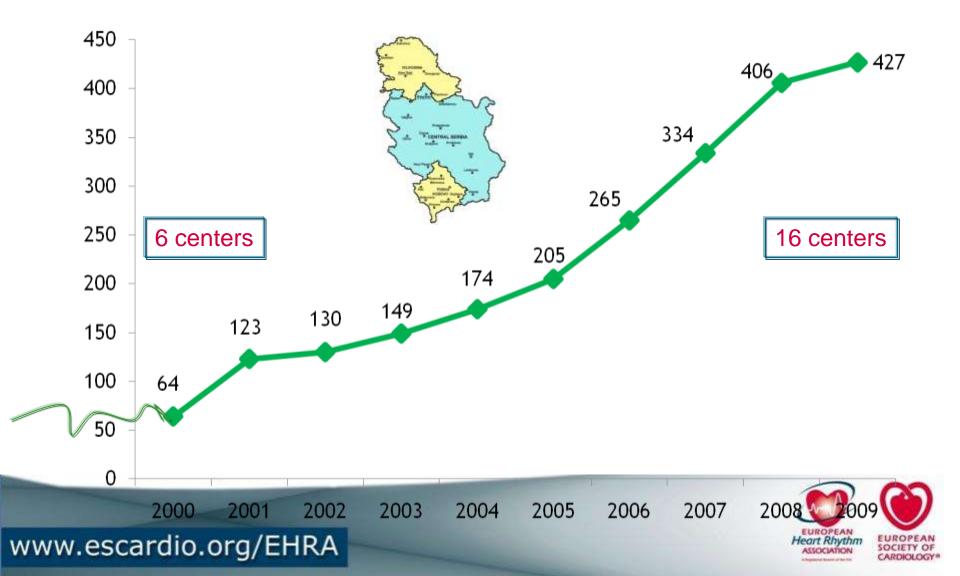
#### Pacing mode - Serbia 2008-2009

**2009 2008** 



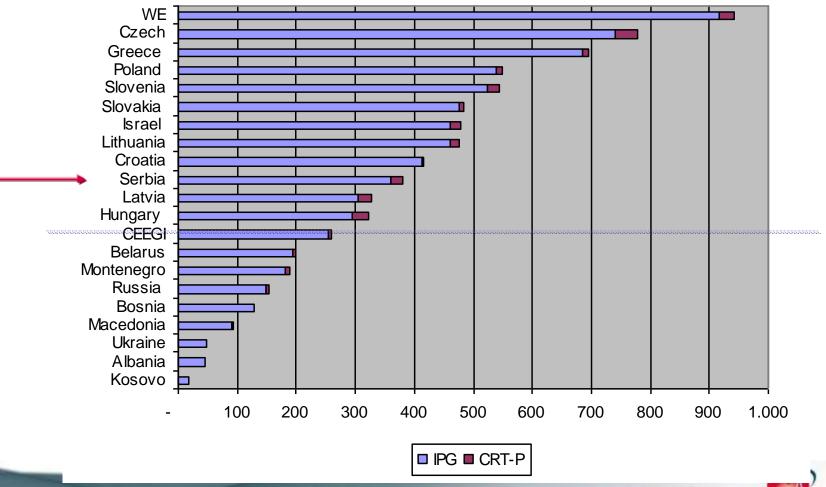


#### Implantation number 2000-2009



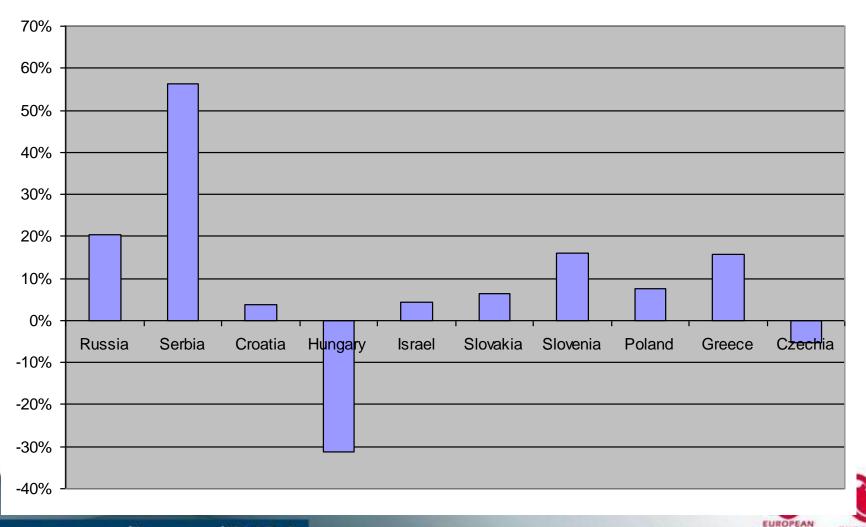
#### **Implant Rates: Low Power**

Source: Implant Rates per Million CY07; EUCOMED, Industry Estimate





#### LP Implant Rates: Growth CY07 vs 06



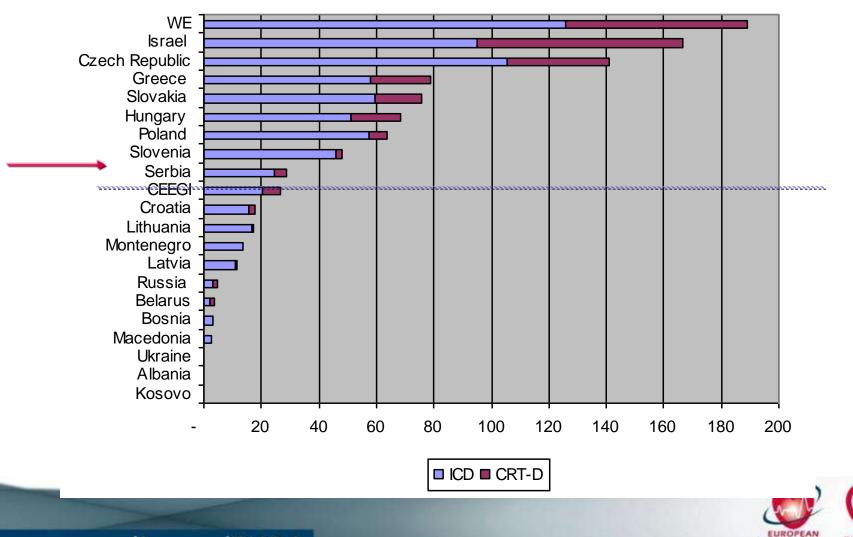
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#### Implant Rates: High Power



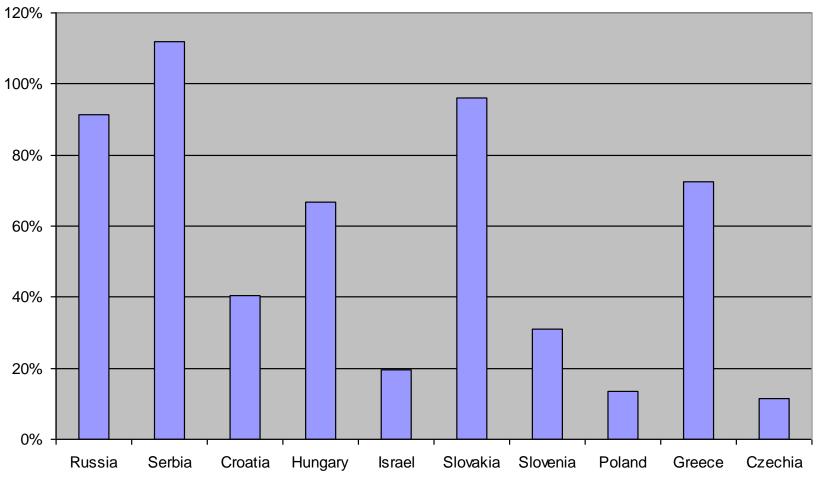
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#### HP Implant Rates: Growth CY07 vs 06

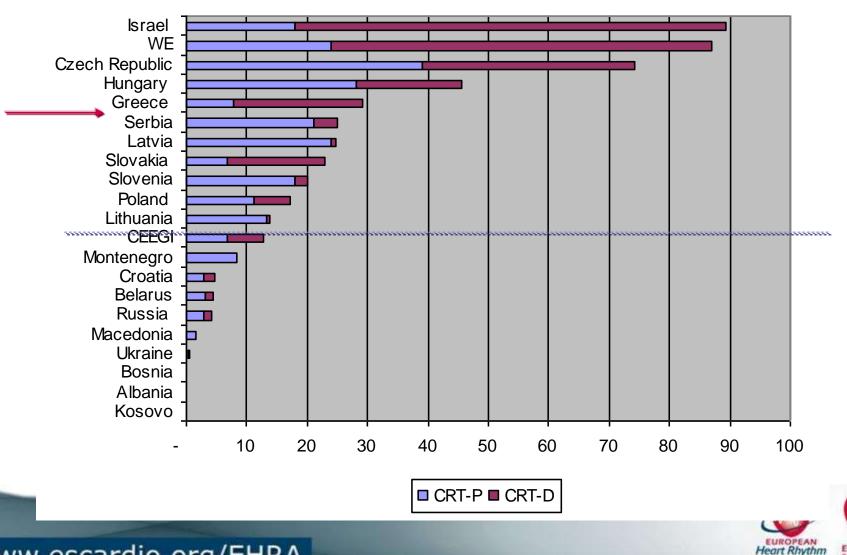




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#### Implant Rates: CRT

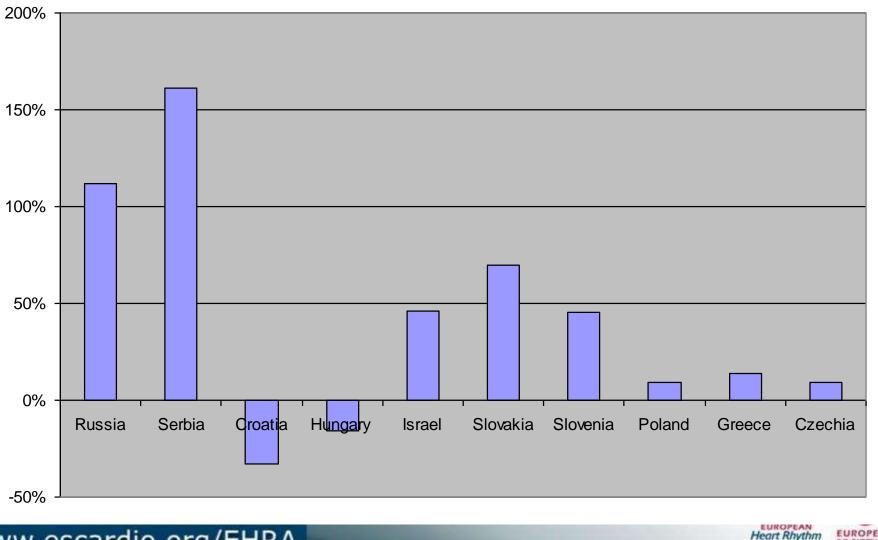


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#### CRT Implant Rates: Growth CY07 vs 06



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#### **RF ablation 2009**



#### **Current status**

- Awareness: moderate
- Referrals: moderate
- Number of implanters: satisfied
- Number of implanting centers: satisfied
- National Pacing society activity: satisfied
- English speaking cardiology community: satisfied

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#### **Current status**

- Single chamber vs. Dual chamber: 50%
- Primary prevention vs. Secondary: 50%
- CRTp vs. CRTd: 60-70% unsatisfied
- RF ablation: unsatisfied

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# Obstacles in Arrhythmia treatment in Serbia

- Current economical situation
- Centralized tender: price as main issue
- Reduced budget: no space for last technology
- State investment vascular cardiology vs. electrophysiology: unsatisfied
- Lack of trained EPs for RF ablation: (8 EPs for RF ablation vs. 53 pacing implanters



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#### **Advantages**

 High volume Referral center with good potential for Research and "Hands-on" trainings





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### Potential Solutions for Serbia: TEI

- Trainings for EPs for RF ablation in European highvolume centers
- New <u>Equipment</u> for RF ablation: (currently only one el.mapping system in country)
- "Quick-shot"-<u>nvestment</u> in Primary prevention ICD supply for next 2-3 years (around 400 devices per year): industry or EHRA/ ESC action?

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#### **Eastern Initiative**

EHRA Summit 2010 with the Participation of Central-Eastern European Countries "ICD\* for Life Initiative - Fighting against Sudden Cardiac Death in Emerging Economies" (\*Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator)

> 26th November 2010 Friday 13:00 Opening Ceremony, Venue TBA

Chairmen: P. Vardas, A.Auricchio C. Wolpert, G. Milasinovic, B. Merkely, R Hatala, Hungarian Minister of National Resources

