

**SIMPOSIO ANNUALE DEL CENTRO
DI RIFERIMENTO PER LA SINDROME
DI MARFAN E PATOLOGIE CORRELATE**
**FOCUS SULLA SINDROME
DI EHLERS-DANLOS VASCOLARE**

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con il patrocinio di  **FONDAZIONE
Telethon**



IL PRESENTE:
**PRINCIPI DI PERSONALIZZAZIONE DELLE CURE DELLA
PERSONA CON ARTERIOPATIA/AORTOPATIA EREDITARIA**

**Medicina personalizzata nelle
arteriopatie/aortopatie ereditarie: applicazioni
nella terapia farmacologica**

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RETE REGIONALE PER LE MALATTIE RARE

Unità coordinatrice: **UOC GENETICA MEDICA**

- **4795** certificati emessi (2011-2024) (>25% extra-regionali)
- **>140** codici ministeriali MR assegnati
- **14** UO coinvolte nella certificazione
- **14** ambulatori dedicati MR c/o CUP aziendale
- **1** sportello malattie rare (dal 2018)
- **1** ambulatorio malattie rare non diagnosticate

RETI INTERNAZIONALI

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- 4 Dirigenti Medici
- 5 Infermieri Professionali
- 10 Dirigenti Biologi
- 8 Tecnici Sanitari di Laboratorio Biomedico
- 1 Bioinformatico
- 1 Personale Amministrativo
- Personale di ricerca contrattista



ATTIVITA'

- Ambulatori malattie rare pediatriche, adulti e non diagnosticate
- Ambulatori cuore e vasi, neurosviluppo e oncogenetica
- Sportello malattie rare
- >2500 analisi NGS/anno
- >600 analisi SNParray e XONarray/anno



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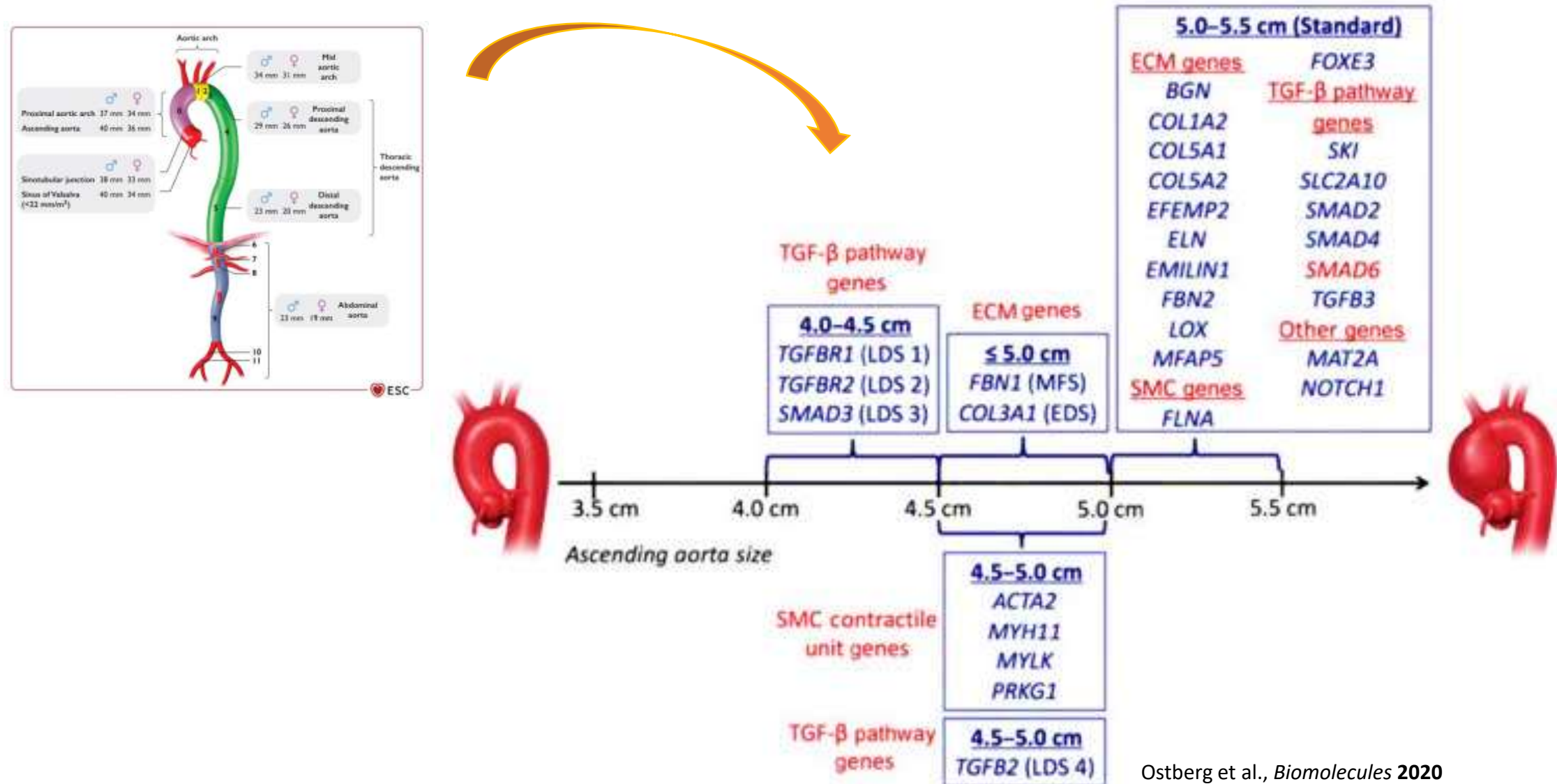
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PROGETTI RICERCA (PI di progetto)

- Ricerca Finalizzata (RF-2021-12373524): multiOMICA nelle Malattie Rare
- PNRR (PNRR-MCNT2-2023-12377305): multiOMICA e bioinformatica in Cardiogenetica
- Telethon (GSA24J005): pre-clinica *vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome*



Hereditary Aortopathies



Hereditary aortopathies and arteriopathies: Guidelines ESC 2024



Vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome (vEDS)

Marfan syndrome (MFS)

Recommendations for medical treatment in patients with vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome

In patients with vEDS, regular vascular surveillance of the aorta and peripheral arteries by DUS, CCT, or CMR is recommended. Treatment with celiprolol should be considered in patients with vEDS.

Recommendations for vascular imaging in Marfan syndrome

In patients with MFS, TTE is recommended:

- At least annually in patients with an aortic root diameter <45 mm in the absence of additional risk factors
- At least every 6 months in patients with an aortic root diameter <45 mm in the presence of additional risk factors
- At least every 6–12 months in patients with an aortic root diameter ≥45 mm in the absence of additional risk factors

In patients without previous aortic surgery, complete peripheral vascular and thoracoabdominal aortic imaging by CMR or CCT and DUS is recommended at the first evaluation, and subsequently every 3–5 years if stable.

Recommendations for medical treatment in Marfan syndrome

In patients with MFS, treatment with either a BB or an ARB, in maximally tolerated doses (unless contraindicated), is recommended to reduce the rate of aortic dilatation.

In patients with MFS, the use of both a BB and an ARB, in maximally tolerated doses (unless contraindicated), should be considered to reduce the rate of aortic dilatation.

Recommendations for pregnancy in women with Marfan syndrome

It is recommended that all women with MFS:

- Have a pre-conception evaluation to address the risks of maternal CV and other complications
- Have follow-up in a centre with access to a pregnancy heart and vessel team

It is recommended that couples in which a partner has or is at risk of HTAD be offered pre-conception genetic counselling.

Imaging of the whole aorta (by CMR/CCT) is recommended prior to pregnancy.

Follow-up during pregnancy is recommended with a frequency determined by aortic diameter and growth.

Intake of BBs during pregnancy is recommended.

Prophylactic aortic root surgery is recommended in women desiring pregnancy with aortic diameters >45 mm.

Prophylactic aortic root surgery may be considered in women desiring pregnancy with aortic diameters of 40–45 mm.

Recommendations for physical exercise in patients with Marfan syndrome

It is recommended to individualize physical activity in patients with MFS based on aortic diameter, family history of aortic dissection, and pre-existing fitness.

Regular moderate aerobic exercise with a level of intensity informed by aortic diameter is recommended in most patients with MFS.

For patients who present with aortic dissection and/or have undergone aortic surgery, post-operative cardiac rehabilitation aiming at improving both physical and mental health should be considered.

Recommendations for imaging follow-up in Loeys-Dietz syndrome

In patients with Loeys-Dietz syndrome, TTE at baseline and subsequently every 6–12 months, depending on aortic diameter and growth, is recommended.

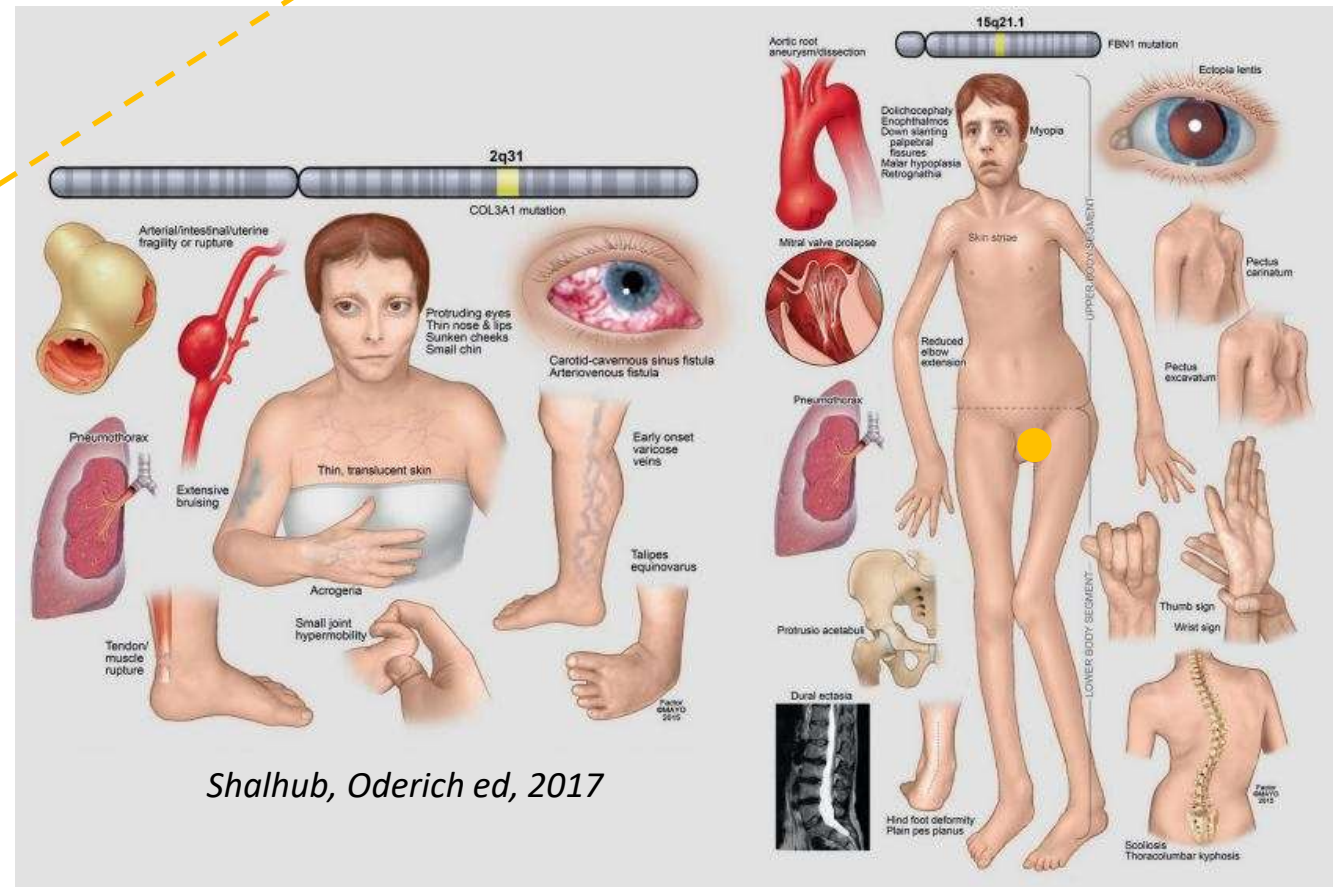
In patients with Loeys-Dietz syndrome, a baseline arterial imaging study from head to pelvis with CMR or CCT and subsequent surveillance with CMR or CCT or DUS every 1–3 years is recommended.

Recommendations for imaging and surgery in ACTA2-related heritable thoracic aortic disease

Annual monitoring of the aortic root/ascending aorta with TTE to evaluate for aortic root/ascending aorta enlargement is recommended.

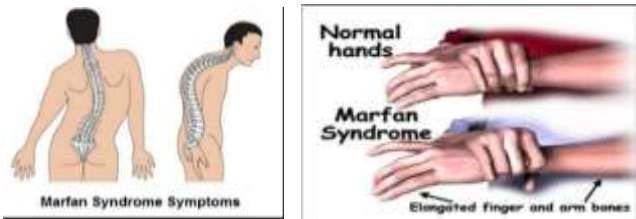
Imaging of the aorta with CMR/CCT every 3–5 years is recommended.

Prophylactic aortic root surgery should be considered with a diameter ≥45 mm, or lower in cases with other risk factors.



Shalhoub, Oderich ed, 2017

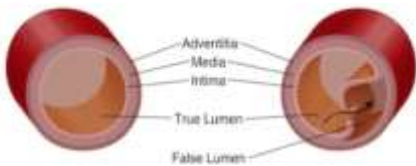
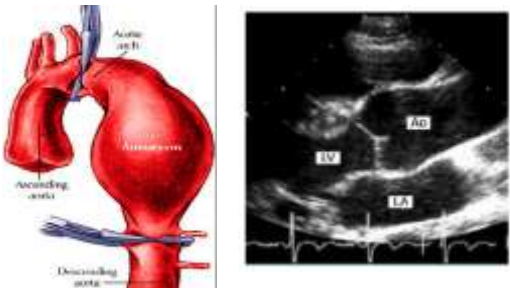
Marfan Syndrome -MFS



FBN1 (MIM# 154700)

Incidence: 1:10.000

Ghent Nosology (2010)



Normal Dissected

CARDIOVASCULAR MANIFESTATIONS

SKELETAL MANIFESTATIONS

- ✓ Aortic root dilatation
- ✓ Aortic dissection
- ✓ Mitral Valve Prolapse

OCULAR MANIFESTATIONS

- ✓ Ectopia lentis
- ✓ Myopia

OTHERS

- ✓ Pneumothorax

- ✓ Dolichostenomelia
- ✓ Arachnodactyly
- ✓ Excavatum Pectus
- ✓ Scoliosis
- ✓ Joint hypermobility
- ✓ contractures
- ✓ Micrognathia
- ✓ High arched palate

Recommendations for medical treatment in Marfan syndrome

In patients with MFS, treatment with either a BB or an ARB, in maximally tolerated doses (unless contraindicated), is recommended to reduce the rate of aortic dilatation.

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Recommendation Table 61 — Recommendations for medical treatment in Marfan syndrome (see also Evidence Table 14)

Recommendations	Class ^a	Level ^b
In patients with MFS, treatment with either a BB or an ARB, in maximally tolerated doses (unless contraindicated), is recommended to reduce the rate of aortic dilatation. ^{1461,1462}	I	A
In patients with MFS, the use of both a BB and an ARB, in maximally tolerated doses (unless contraindicated), should be considered to reduce the rate of aortic dilatation. ^{1463,1464}	Ila	A

ARB, angiotensin receptor blocker; BB, beta-blocker; MFS, Marfan syndrome.

^aClass of recommendation.

^bLevel of evidence.

Vascular Ehlers Danlos syndrome - vEDS

COL3A1 (MIM#130050)

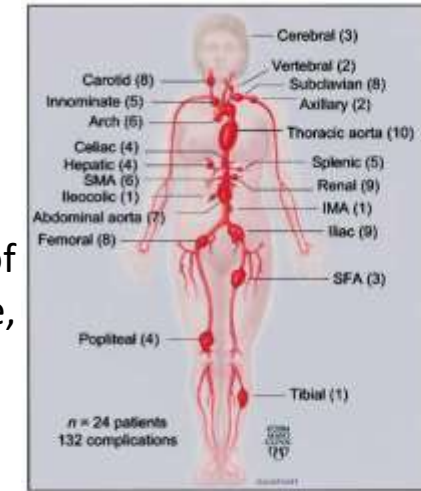
Estimated prevalence of 1/20,000-150,000

For Ehlers-Danlos syndromes (EDS) we intend a clinically and genetically heterogeneous group of heritable connective tissue disorders mainly featuring joint hypermobility, abnormal cutaneous texture, easy bruising, and tissue fragility, according to **2017 EDS classification (Malfait et al., 2017)**.

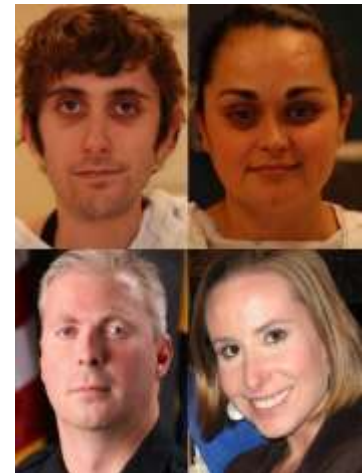
❑ vEDS is the most severe clinical form of EDS, characterized by:

- **rupture of arteries**, gravid uterus
- bowel perforation
- **aortic dissection**
- characteristic facial appearance
- easy bruising, difficult scarring
- **artero-venous fistula** (*carotid cavernous fistula*)
- translucent skin, acrogeria
- pneumothorax (dd MFS)

❑ vEDS is caused by heterozygous deleterious variants in the *COL3A1* gene that encodes the pro- α 1 chain of type III procollagen (Collagen III, COL3A1), a major fibrillar collagen in the ECM that is highly expressed in soft tissues with elastic properties including dermis, blood vessels, and gastrointestinal tract



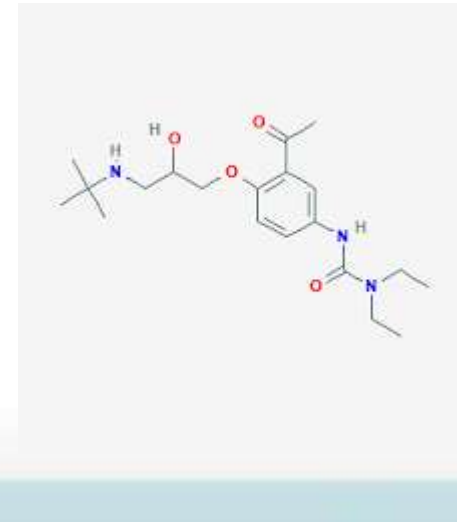
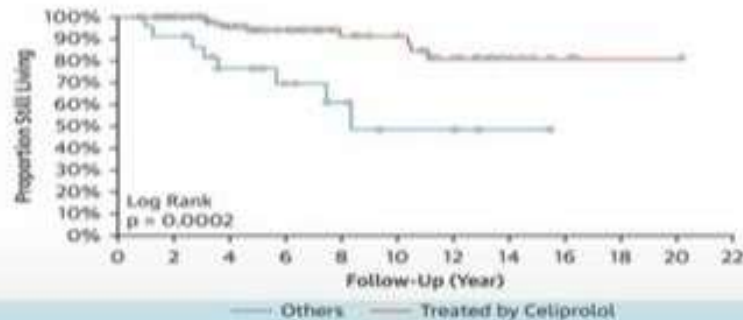
Oderich et al, Journal of Vascular Surgery, 2005



Shalhoub et al, Journal of Vascular Surgery, July 2014

vEDS – pharmacological resources

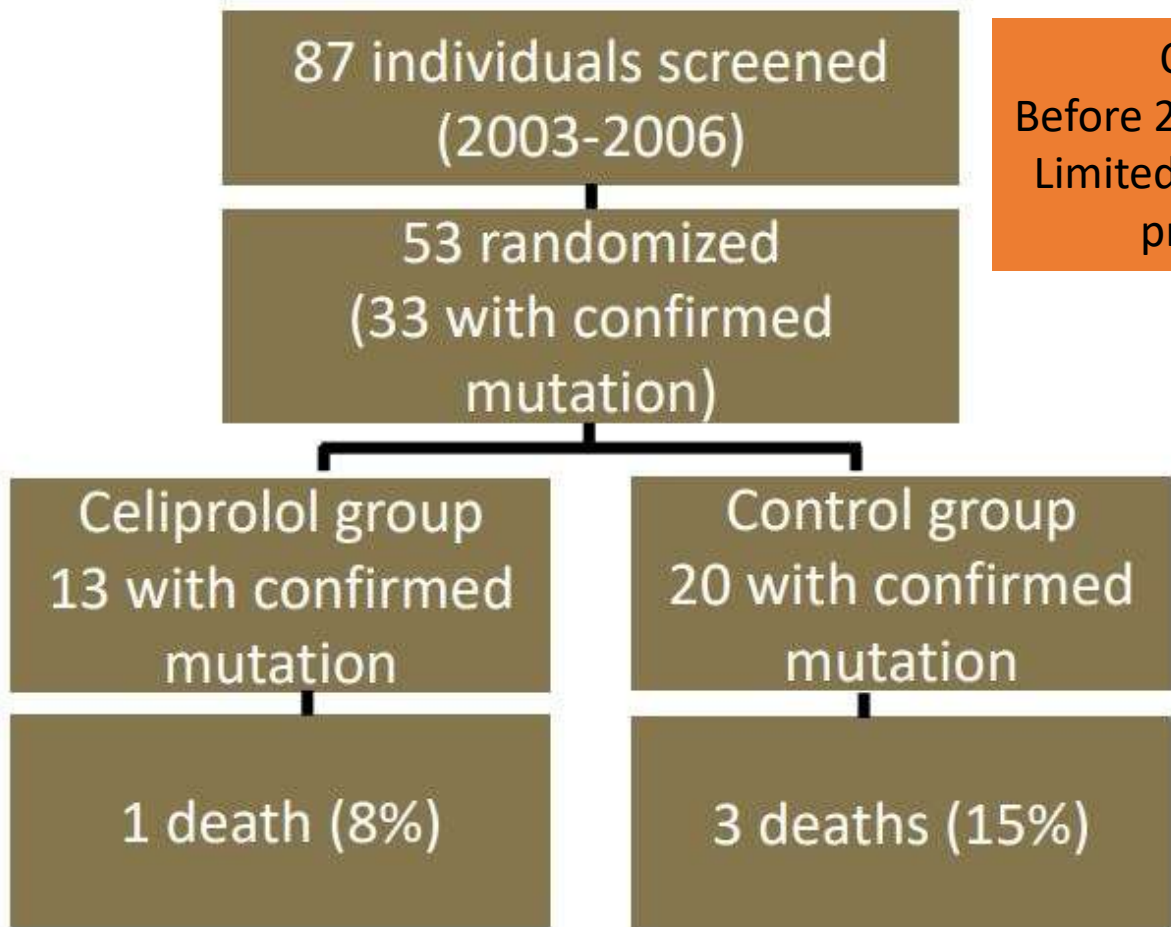
- How to reduce life-threatening vascular events and to increase life expectancy?
 - Medical intervention is destined to maintain blood pressure within a normal range and to avoid surges in blood pressure that may increase risk of arterial events
 - A variety of cardiovascular medications is available for that purpose
 - To date, only one clinical trial has systematically addressed reduction of arterial events with a mixed β 1 antagonist and β 2 agonist, celiprolol with promising results



Effect of celiprolol on prevention of cardiovascular events in vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome: a prospective randomised, open, blinded-endpoints trial

Lancet, 2010

Kim-Thanh Ong, Jérôme Perdu, Julie De Backer, Erwan Bazec, Patrick Collignon, Joseph Emmerich, Anne-Laure Fauret, Jean-Noël Fiessinger, Dominique P Germain, Gabriella Georgesco, Jean-Sebastien Hulot, Anne De Paepe, Henri Plauchu, Xavier Jeunemaitre, Stéphane Laurent, Pierre Boutouyrie



Open trial
Before 2017 classification
Limited no. molecularly proven vEDS

Celiprolol BID to a maximum of 400 mg per day

Male, 31 Control

Death or iliac artery rupture within 4 months of enrollment. Underwent open abdominal aortic repair then died from type A dissection

Male, 28 Control

Hypogastric artery rupture

Male, 25 Control

Spontaneous cerebral hematoma

Male, 25 Control

Spontaneous hematoma of psoas muscle with blood suffusion

Male, 25 Control

Carotid dissection

Male, 28 Control

Death or aortic dissection

Female, 24 Control

Carotid dissection

Female, 34 Control

Carotid-cavernous sinus fistula

Female, 31 Control

Carotid-cavernous sinus fistula

Female, 42 Control

Primitive iliac artery dissection

Male, 45 Control

Sudden death after acute lumbar pain

Male, 19 Celiprolol

Sudden death after acute chest pain radiating to the right arm

Male, 19 Celiprolol

Hemoptysis (recurrent)

Vascular Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome

Long-Term Observational Study

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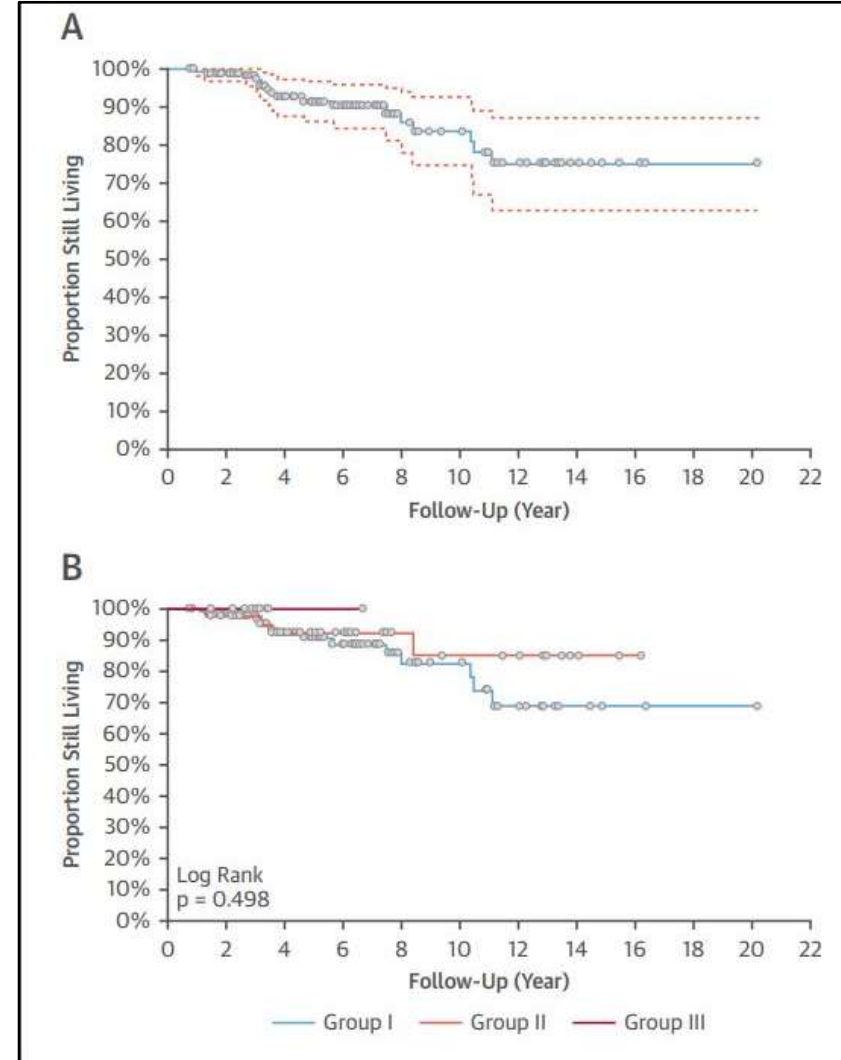
144 vEDS patients
(2000-2017)

91 index cases
53 relatives
90 Gly-change variants (Gr I)
42 splice-site variants (Gr II)
12 haploinsufficiency variants (Gr III)

107 arterial events
in 52 patients (39,4%, GrI Gr II)

17 vEDS patients
died (11,8%)
12 arterial rupture (71%)
2 gastrointestinal perforation (12%)
3 unrelated to vEDS, 0 GrIII

Monocentric
Restrospective
observational study
Absence of control group



(A) Overall vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome (vEDS) patient survival since molecular diagnosis. Patient survival was 99.3% at year 1, 89.9% at year 5, and 83.4% at year 10 of follow-up. Overall patient survival was 74.9% (95% confidence interval [CI]: 62.7% to 87.0%) after 11.1 years of follow-up. **(B)** Survival according to the type of COL3A1 pathogenic variant. Patient survival did not significantly differ between groups of pathogenic variants (Group I: 68.7% [95% CI: 51.9% to 85.5%] vs. Group II: 84.8% [95% CI: 69.2% to 100%] vs. Group III: 100%). Log-rank (Group I vs. Group II vs. Group III) $p = 0.498$.

Despite celiprolol therapy, patients with vascular Ehlers–Danlos syndrome remain at risk of vascular events: A 12-year experience in an Italian referral center

Giacomo Buso^{1,2}, Anna Paini¹, Claudia Agabiti-Rosei¹, Carolina De Ciuceis¹, Fabio Bertacchini¹, Deborah Stassaldi¹, Massimo Salvetti¹, Marco Ritelli³, Marina Venturini⁴, Marina Colombi³ and Maria Lorenza Mulesan¹

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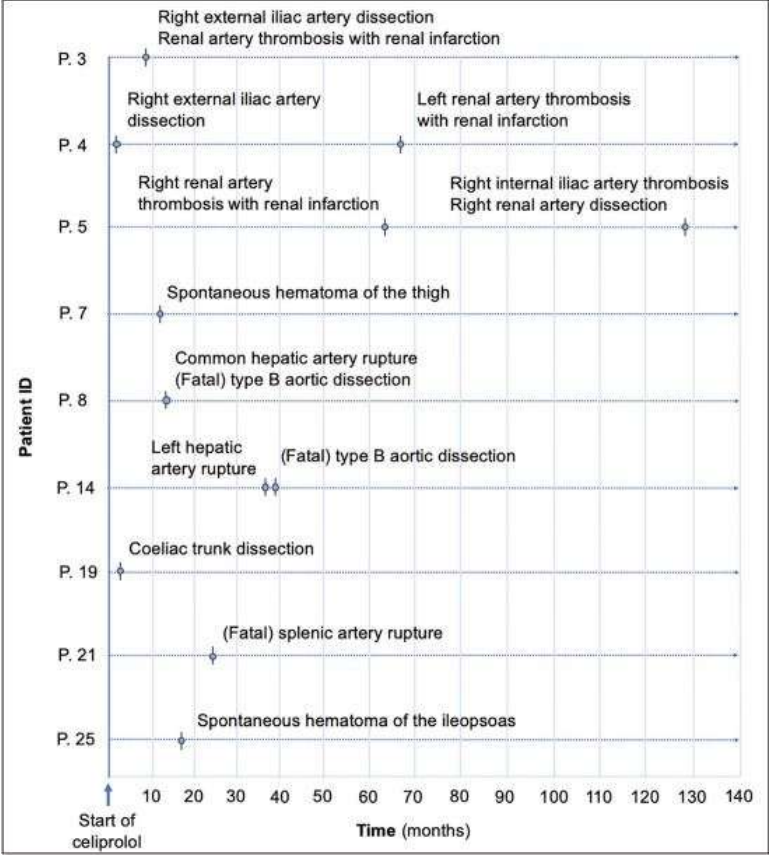
Monocentric
observational study
Absence of control group

26 vEDS patients
(2011-2023)

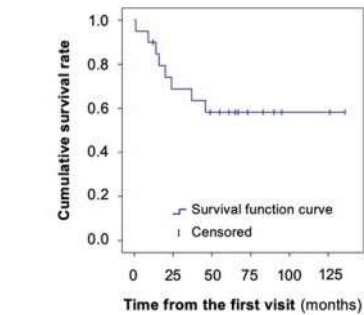
19 index cases
7 relatives
13 Gly-change variants
4 splice-site variants
1 haploinsufficiency variants

3 fatal events (15 yo, 37 yo, 42 yo)
during celiprolol therapy

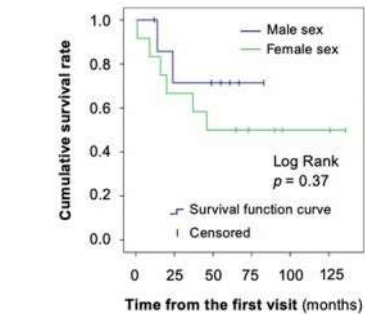
18 total clinical events (14,4% yearly risk)
12 vascular events (11 symptomatic events)
14 vEDS patients with 1 or more
major events in follow-up
10/18 vascular events after reaching 400 mg/die dose



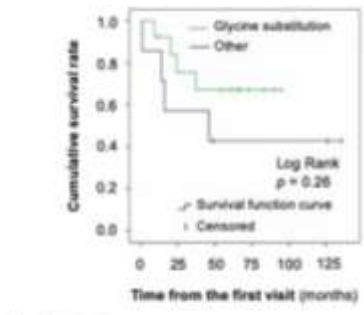
Symptomatic vascular events during celiprolol therapy



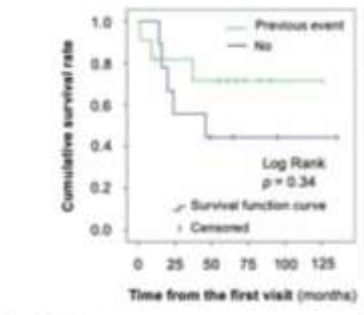
No. of patients	20	13	10	5	2	1
Male sex	8	5	4	1	0	0
Female sex	12	8	6	4	2	2



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Male sex	8	5	4	1	0	0
Female sex	12	8	6	4	2	2



No. of patients	20	13	10	5	2	1
Glycine substitution	13	9	8	3	0	0
Other	7	4	2	2	2	2



No. of patients	20	13	10	5	2	1
Previous event	11	8	7	3	1	0
No	9	5	3	2	1	1

Survival function (Kaplan-Meier) of symptomatic vascular events (tot, sex, genotype, previous events)



2024 ESC Guidelines for the management of peripheral arterial and aortic diseases

Developed by the task force on the management of peripheral arterial and aortic diseases of the European Society of Cardiology (ESC)

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Recommendation Table 59 — Recommendations for medical treatment in patients with vascular Ehlers–Danlos syndrome (see also Evidence Table 13)

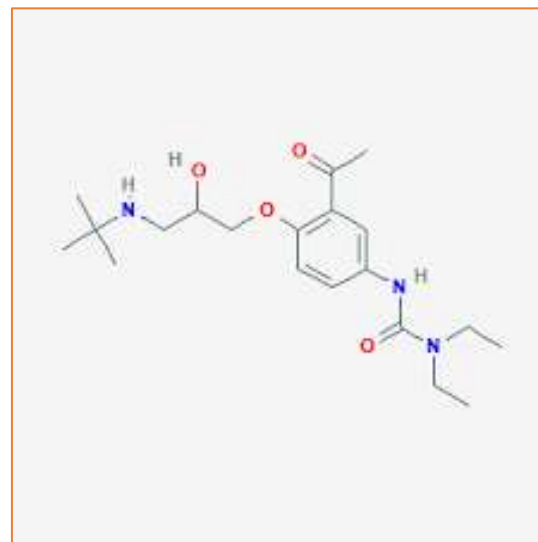
Recommendations	Class ^a	Level ^b
In patients with vEDS, regular vascular surveillance of the aorta and peripheral arteries by DUS, CCT, or CMR is recommended. ^{1439,1443}	I	C
Treatment with celiprolol should be considered in patients with vEDS. ^{1443,1444,1445}	IIa	B

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CCT, cardiovascular computed tomography; CMR, cardiovascular magnetic resonance; DUS, duplex ultrasound; vEDS, vascular Ehlers–Danlos syndrome.

^aClass of recommendation.

^bLevel of evidence.



10.1.2. Vascular Ehlers–Danlos syndrome

10.1.2.1. Diagnosis, clinical presentation, and natural history

Vascular Ehlers–Danlos syndrome is a rare (prevalence of 1/50 000 to 1/200 000) autosomal dominant disease caused by pathogenic variants in the COL3A1 gene, which encodes the pro- α 1 chains of type III procollagen. The most common COL3A1 variants provoke a disruption in the assembly of type III collagen fibrils, causing an important loss of mechanical strength of arteries and other hollow organs, especially the bowel and uterus.¹⁴³⁸ Identification of a causal COL3A1 variant is a requirement for the diagnosis of vEDS.¹⁴³⁹

vEDS is the most severe form of Ehlers–Danlos syndrome because of its clinical life-threatening vascular complications, making early identification and a thorough family inquiry particularly crucial.

Clinical complications may start during adolescence and repeat at unpredictable time intervals. The most common complications involve medium-sized arteries: dissections, aneurysms, arterial ruptures, and arteriovenous fistulas. AD (both type A and B) occurs in up to 10% of patients.¹⁴⁴⁰

Prognosis depends on the type of COL3A1 variant, with null variants (no gene product or absence of function) showing a better outcome.¹⁴⁴¹ The rate of recurrence of organic complications in patients with vEDS is 1.6 events per 5 year period. Life expectancy is reduced to an average of 51 years.¹⁴⁴²

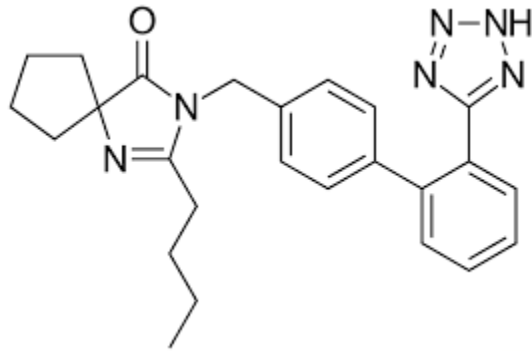
10.1.2.2. Surveillance and imaging

Management of vEDS is complex and requires a multidisciplinary approach. Recommendations include: lifestyle modification to minimize injury and risk of vessel/organ rupture, identification of a care team, individualized emergency care plans, maintaining BP in the normal range, aggressive hypertension treatment, and annual surveillance of the vascular tree by DUS, CCT (low radiation alternatives), or CMR (if feasible).¹⁴³⁹ A recent survey among European expert centres indicated that arterial monitoring is standard clinical practice and that frequency of follow-up should be adapted individually.¹⁴⁴³ The prognosis improves when patients are properly managed.¹⁴⁴¹

10.1.2.3. Medical treatment

Medical management is based on optimal BP control. Celiprolol, a BB with vasodilatory properties, has been shown to reduce vascular morbidity in two retrospective studies^{1441,1444} and one randomized, open-label trial.¹⁴⁴⁵ There is no consensus about the age at which to start treatment, but starting after 10 years of age is considered reasonable by many experts.

vEDS – polytherapy?



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Efficacy of Irbesartan in Celiprolol-Treated Patients With Vascular Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome

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<https://www.clinicaltrials.gov/study/NCT02597361?cond=NCT02597361&rank=1#locations>

Multicenter, randomized, placebo-controlled trial

- irbesartan (150 mg/day titrated to 300 mg/day) or placebo for 2 years.
- outcome → any vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome–related **fatal or nonfatal arterial event** or any new or **worsening arterial lesions** detected by systematic head-to-pelvis CTA or peripheral arterial duplex ultrasound at different time points, using a time-to-first-event analysis.
- **29 vEDS patients** (62% female; 40.3±11.3 years of age) → **irbesartan**.
- **28 vEDS patients** (64% female; 40.7±11.0 years of age) → **placebo**.
- The composite primary outcome occurred in 8 of 29 patients (**27.6%**) receiving irbesartan versus 15 of 28 patients (**53.6%**) receiving placebo (hazard ratio, 0.42 [95% CI, 0.17, 0.99]; $P<0.05$).
- The risk of recurrent **symptomatic** or **nonsymptomatic** arterial events was **lower** with irbesartan than with placebo (risk ratio, **0.37** [95% CI, 0.19, 0.68]; $P=0.002$).
- A reduction of progression of arterial lesions was observed at all sites.
- **11 episodes** of irbesartan-related **hypotension** were recorded, leading to a downtitration in **4 patients**.



Compared with placebo, irbesartan reduced the risk of severe symptomatic and asymptomatic arterial events in patients with vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome on background celiprolol therapy.

Drugs to avoid

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The association between fluoroquinolones and aortic dissection and aortic aneurysms: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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Previous studies have drawn causal associations between fluoroquinolone use and collagenopathies including tendon rupture and retinopathy. This meta-analysis attempted to assess the association between fluoroquinolone use and the risk of aortic dissection or aortic aneurysm. A systematic search was performed on Medline, EMBASE, and the Cochrane library. 3 studies were included in final analysis. Primary random-effects meta-analysis of 7 studies, excluding 2 pharmacovigilance studies demonstrated statistically increased odds of aortic dissection (OR, 2.38; 95% CI, 1.71–3.32) aortic aneurysm (OR, 1.98; 95% CI, 1.59–2.48), and aortic aneurysm or dissection (OR, 1.47; 95% CI, 1.13–1.89; $I^2=72\%$) with current use of fluoroquinolones compared to their nonuser counterparts. Based on the "number needed-to-harm" analysis, 7246 (95% CI: 4329 to 14,085) patients would need to be treated with fluoroquinolones for a duration of at least three days in order for one additional patient to be harmed, assuming a population baseline incidence of aortic dissection and aneurysm rupture to be 10 per 100,000 patient-years. With strong statistical association, these findings suggest a causal relationship, warranting future research to elucidate the pathophysiological and mechanistic plausibility of this association. These findings however, should not cease prescription of fluoroquinolones, especially when clinically indicated.

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Ottobre 2018

Fluorochinoloni ad uso sistemico ed inalatorio: rischio di aneurisma e dissezione dell'aorta

Gentile Dottoressa/Egregio Dottore,

I titolari di specialità medicinali contenenti fluorochinoloni (ciprofloxacina - levofloxacina - moxifloxacina - pefloxacina - prulifloxacina - rifloxacina - norfloxacina - lomefloxacina) in accordo con l'Agenzia Europea dei Medicinali (EMA) e l'Agenzia Italiana del Farmaco (AIFA), desiderano informarLa dell'introduzione di una nuova avvertenza riguardante il rischio di aneurisma e dissezione dell'aorta associato a fluorochinoloni per uso sistemico e inalatorio.

Riassunto

- I fluorochinoloni per uso sistemico e inalatorio possono aumentare il rischio di aneurisma e dissezione dell'aorta, in particolare nelle persone anziane.
- Nei pazienti a rischio di aneurisma e dissezione dell'aorta, i fluorochinoloni devono essere utilizzati solo dopo un'attenta valutazione del rapporto beneficio/rischio e dopo aver preso in considerazione altre opzioni terapeutiche.
- Le condizioni che predispongono all'aneurisma e alla dissezione dell'aorta comprendono una storia familiare di aneurisma, aneurisma aortico o dissezione aortica pre-esistente, sindrome di Marfan, sindrome vascolare di Ehlers-Danlos, arterite di Takayasu, arterite a cellule giganti, malattia di Behçet, ipertensione e aterosclerosi.
- I pazienti devono essere allertati del rischio di aneurisma e dissezione dell'aorta e devono essere invitati a cercare assistenza medica immediata in pronto soccorso in caso di improvviso e severo dolore addominale, toracico o alla schiena.



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Rare bleeding disorders

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Low vitamin C status and hypermobility-related disorders in patients with bleeding disorder of unknown cause

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A novel therapeutic strategy for Ehlers–Danlos syndrome based on nutritional supplements

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Healthy Lifestyle



Review

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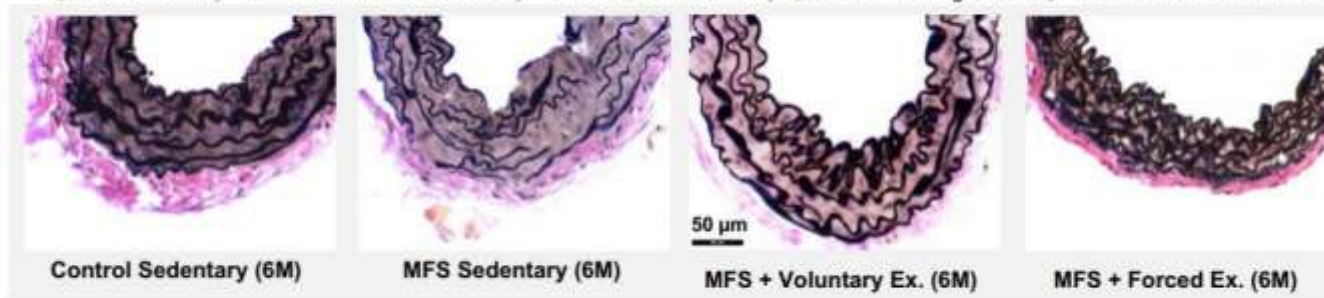
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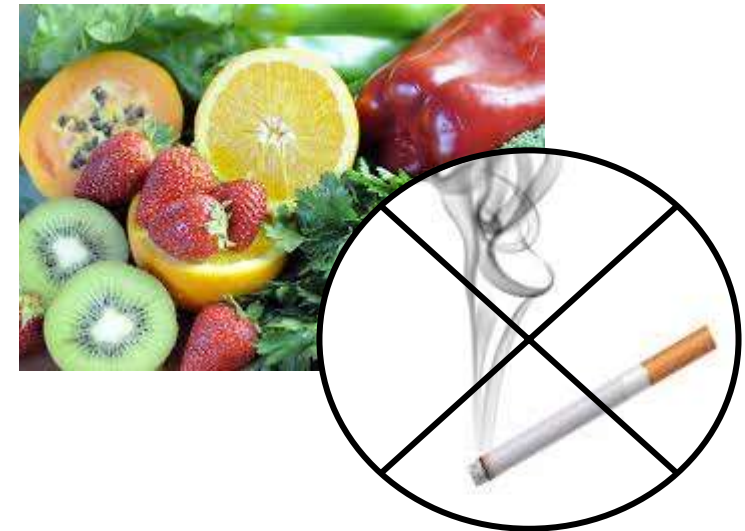
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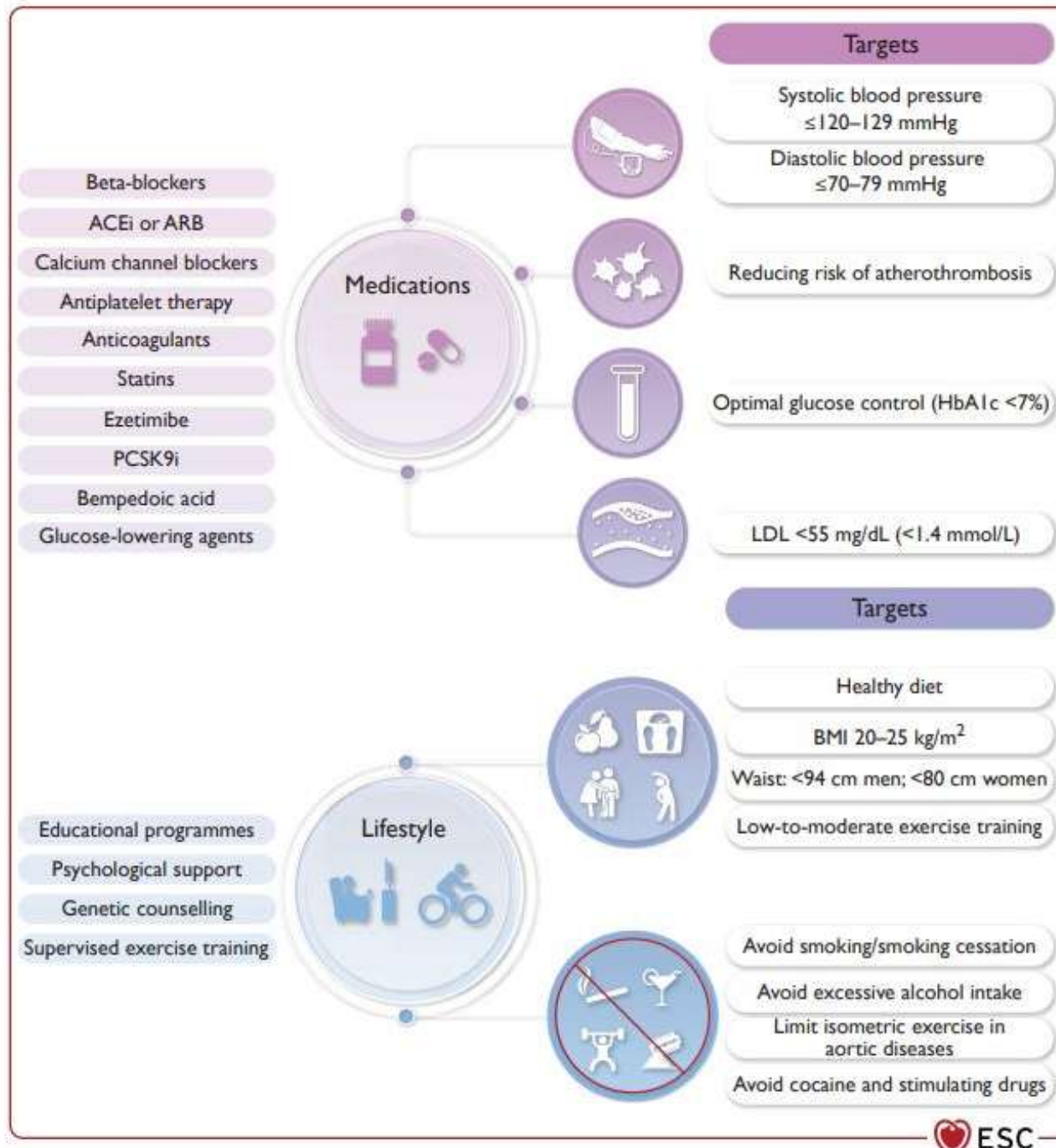
Mild aerobic exercise blocks elastin fiber fragmentation and aortic dilatation in a mouse model of Marfan syndrome associated aortic aneurysm

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Mild aerobic exercise at 55% intensity (55% VO₂max)





looking for clinically valid biomarkers

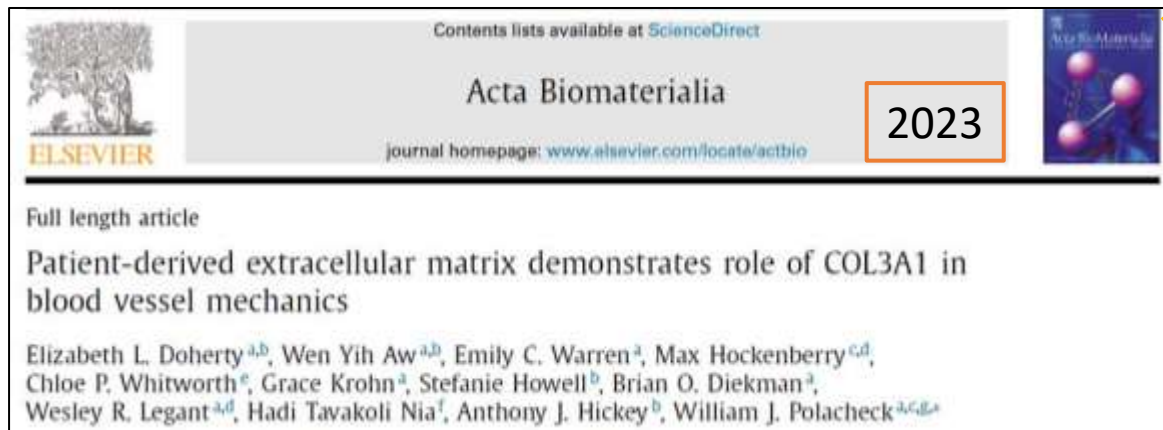
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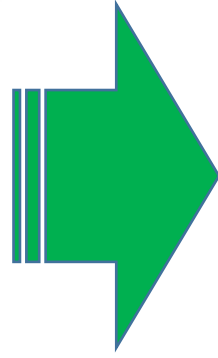
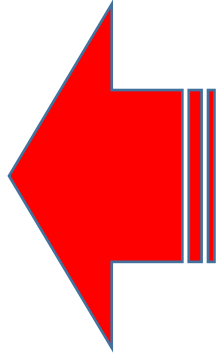


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AVAILABLE RESOURCES

International Guidelines supporting practice (ESC 2024)

Mildly-to-moderately effective drugs (betablockers, sartans)

Healthy Lifestyle to promote (nutritional supplementation, mild exercise)

Patients' Associations

Reference Care Centers

UNMET NEEDS

- Prognostic biomarkers to personalize monitoring
- Therapeutic biomarkers to personalize pharmacological prevention
- Preclinical research focused on patients' priorities
- Multicenter initiatives to maximize patients' enrollment





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