

TUNISIAN SOCIETY OF CARDIOLOGY AND CARDIOVASCULAR SURGERY (STCCCV)



The Board of the Tunisian society of cardiology and cardiovascular surgery is composed of 10 members and currently chaired by **Prof. Lilia ZAKHAMA**.

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The **Tunisian working group on rhythmology** is a branch of the Tunisian society of cardiology and cardiovascular surgery and is composed of 6 members.

There are also 2 guest members who are Prof. Sana Ouali and Prof. Afef Ben Halima.

Currently, **Prof. Sonia CHABRAK** coordinates the group.

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Tunisian Working Group on rhythmology's representation within EHRA:

- Sonia Marrakchi, EHRA Young Ambassador for Tunisia also contributes to the EHRA otherwise thanks to her position as member of the EHRA National Cardiac Societies Committee.

EHRA collaborates also with the STCCCV and its working group through participation in its annual congress with joint sessions.

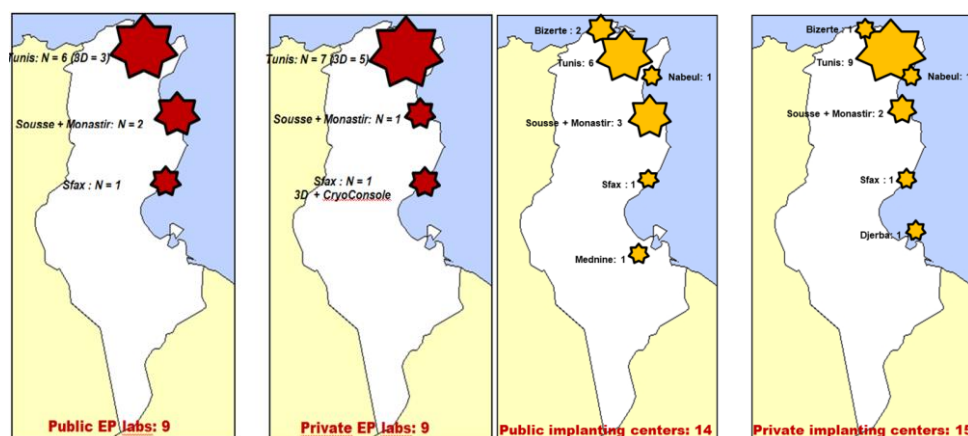
Cardiac stimulation and electrophysiology activity in Tunisia

Tunisia counts a total of 26 electrophysiologists (for a population of 11,69 million) who are divided equally between the public and the private sectors.

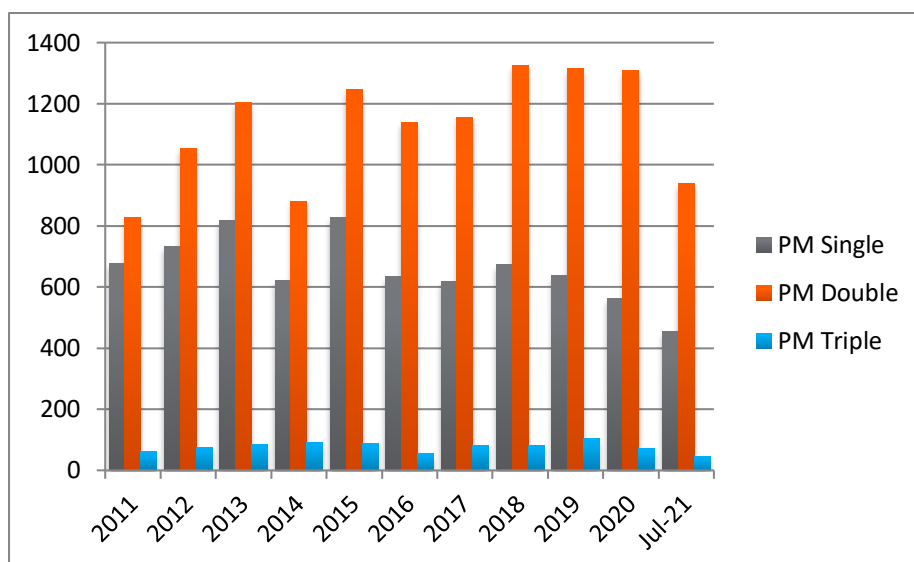
There are 29 CIED implanting centers in Tunisia: 14 in public sector and 15 in private sector

There are also 18 EP laboratories distributed equally between Public and private sectors. Nine of them are equipped with 3D cartography systems (3 in public sector and 6 in private sector). Only the private EP lab in Sfax has a cryotherapy console.

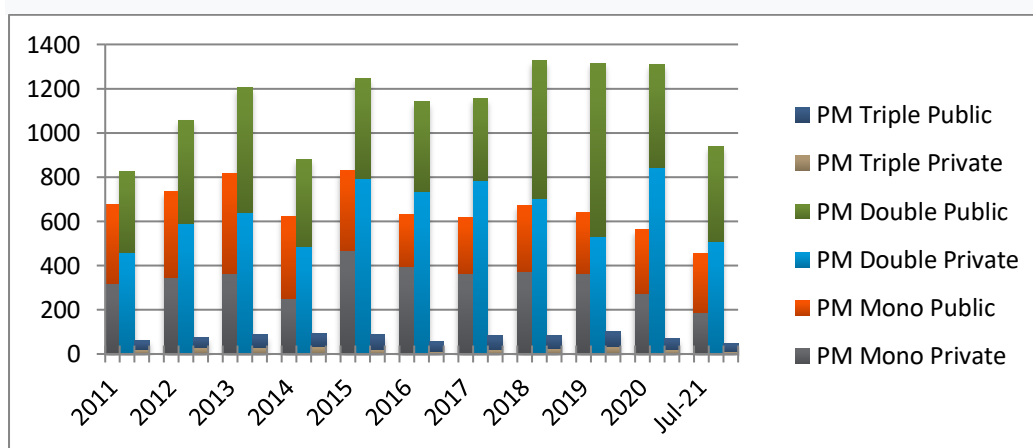
Distribution of implanting centers and EP laboratories in Tunisia



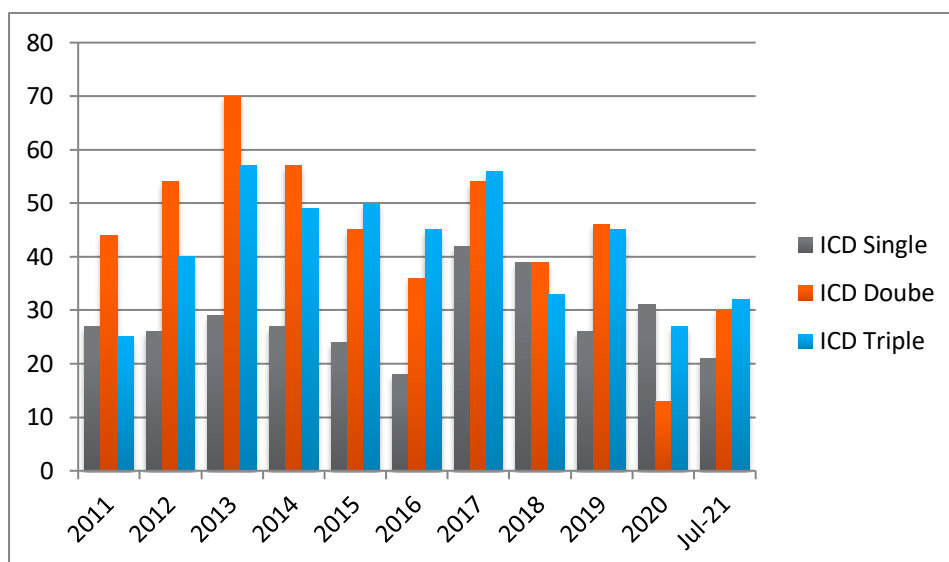
Number of pacemaker implantations per year during the last decade



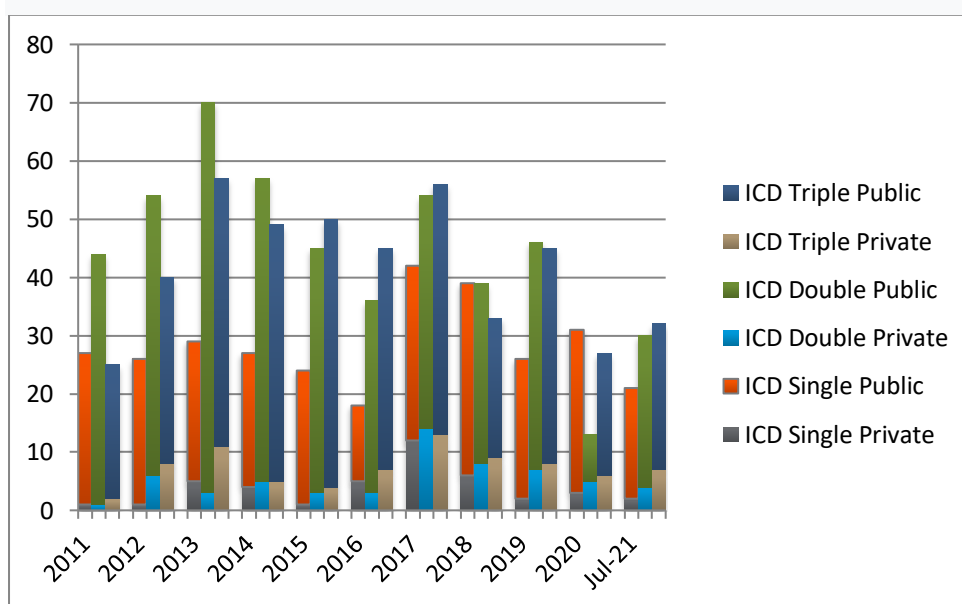
Number of pacemaker implantations per year during the last decade in the private and public sectors



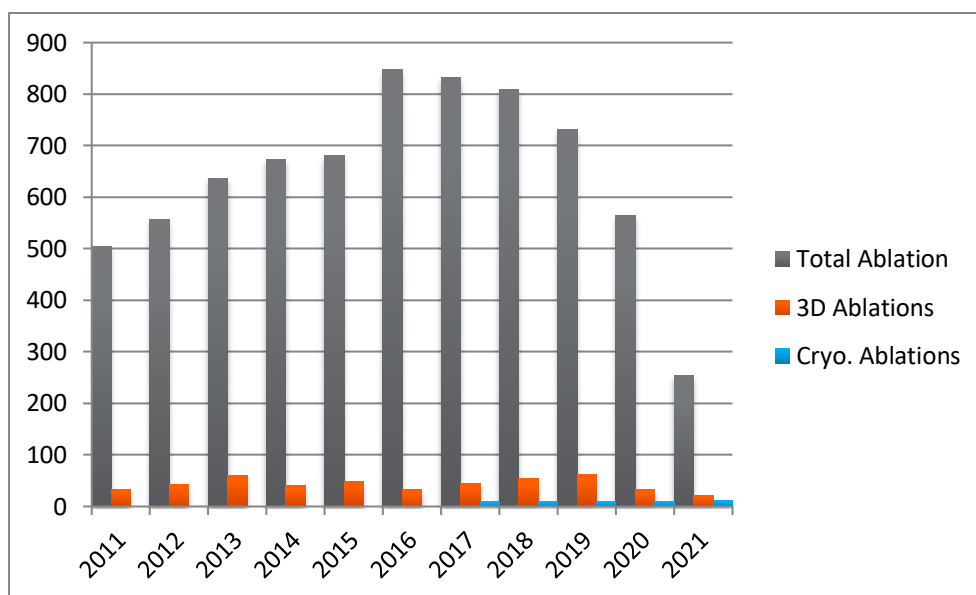
Number of ICD implantations per year during the last decade



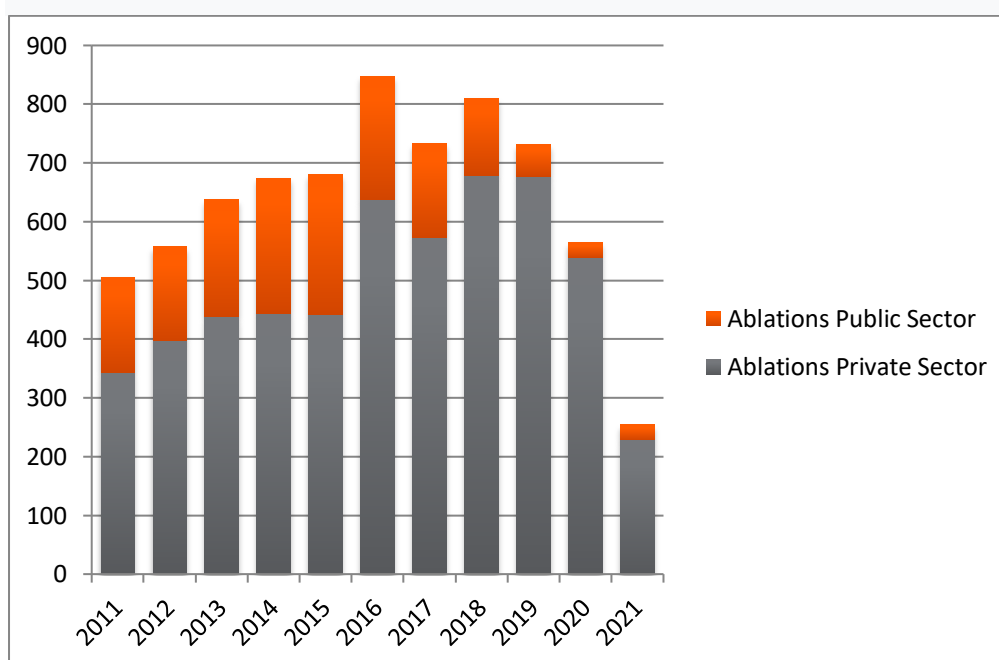
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Number of ablations per year during the last decade



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- The Tunisian working group on rhythmology is involved in the continuing training of general cardiologists and cardiology residents by organizing regular workshops and meetings in which clinical cases of electrophysiology and cardiac stimulation are discussed. A certified course for Holter record analysis is planned very soon in October.

- The Tunisian working group on rhythmology contributes regularly in the development of rhythmology programs of local and regional cardiology congresses like (national cardiology congress, PanAfrican Course on Interv Cardiology PAFCIC, Journées Afro Européennes de Cardiologie Pratique JAECP, AMCV congress ...), and is often involved in the elaboration of heart rhythm related topics of the educational channel of the STCCCV.
- The Tunisian working group on rhythmology had already developed a first national Tunisian registry on atrial fibrillation (NATURE AF) already published in the journal JMIR Res protoc 2018;7(10)e-181. Currently the first NATIONAL TUNISIAN REGISTRY of Cardiac Implantable Electronic Devices (NATURE CIED) is in process since January 18, 2021.

Perspectives:

- The Tunisian working group on rhythmology is initiating the procedures with Maghrebian societies of cardiology (Algeria, Morocco and Mauritania) for the creation of a Maghrebian working group on rhythmology.

Useful addresses of the STCCCV

- **Website of the STCCCV:** <https://stcccv.org.tn/>
- **Youtube link of the STCCCV:** <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC86NNPFKDwG-9kUzLyDpN-Q>
- **Certification training link “reading a Holter ECG recording”:** <https://stcccv.org.tn/Home/formation/>
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