



Greek Pulmonary Hypertension Registry: Current data(II)

Medical therapy

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Pharmacotherapy in PAH (I)

Agents That Target Different Vasomotor Pathways in PAH

ET Pathway

- Bosentan (oral)
- Ambrisentan (oral)
- Macitentan (oral)

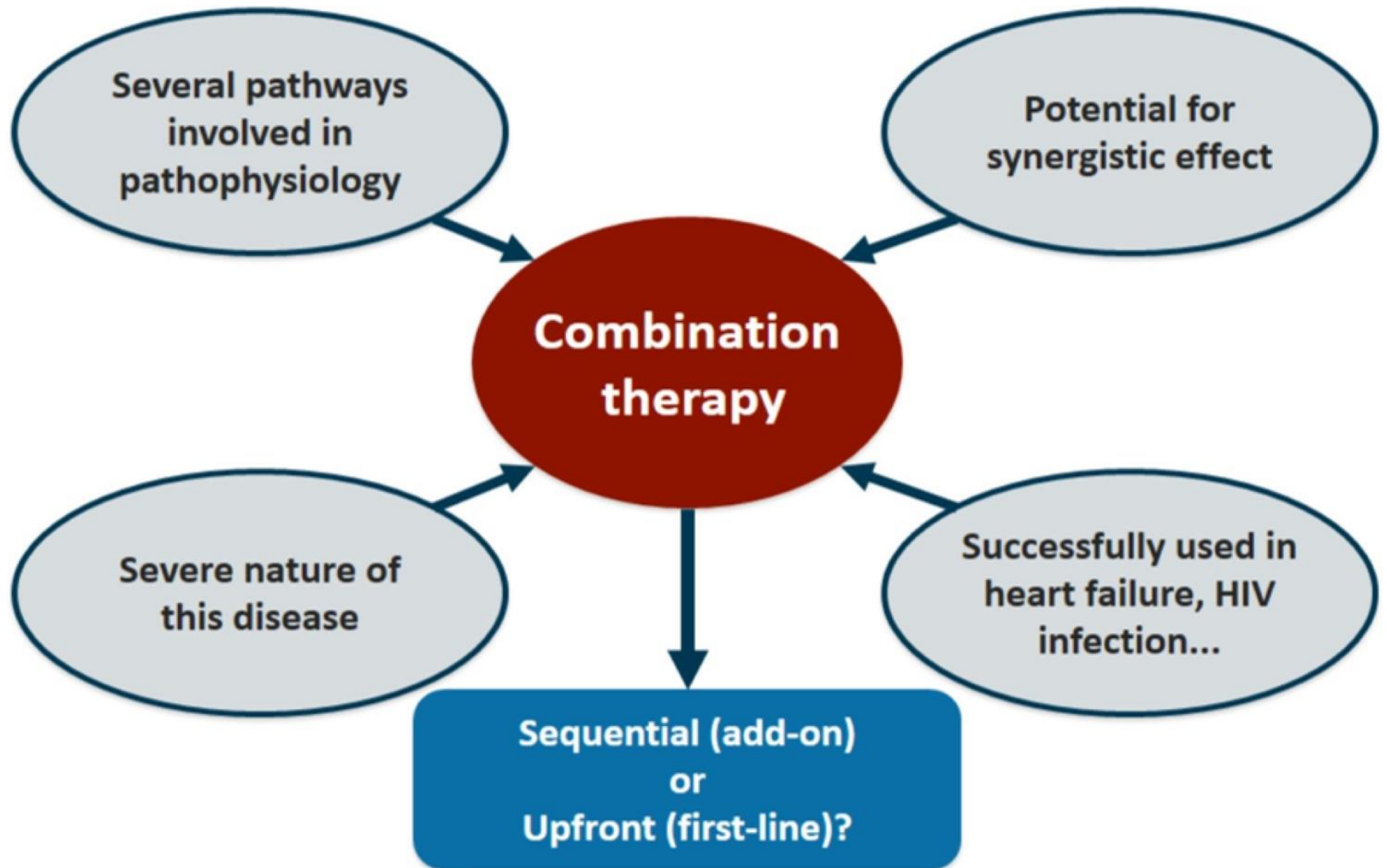
NO Pathway

- PDE-5 inhibitors
 - Sildenafil (oral, IV)
 - Tadalafil (oral)
- sGC stimulator
 - Riociguat (oral)

Prostacyclin Pathway

- Epoprostenol (continuous IV, inhalation)
- Treprostinil (SC, IV, inhalation, oral)
- Iloprost (inhalation)
- Selexipag (oral)

Pharmacotherapy in PAH (II)



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Non specific treatment in PH patients

Treatment	Total N=371	Group 1 N=232	Group 2 N=27	Group 3 N=24	Group 4 N=69	Group 5 N=19	P-value
Oxygen therapy, n (%)	85 (22.9)	50 (21.6)	2 (7.4)	11 (45.8)	20 (29)	1 (5.3)	0.005
Diuretics, n (%)	201 (54.2)	111 (47.8)	27 (100)	12 (50.0)	39 (56.5)	12 (63.2)	0.0001
Oral anticoagulant, n (%)	141 (38.0)	60 (25.9)	8 (29.6)	6 (25.0)	56 (81.1)	12 (63.2)	0.0001
		IPAH-HPAH N=86 41.8%					

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Table 17 Recommendations for supportive therapy

Recommendations	Class ^a	Level ^b	Ref. ^c
<u>Diuretic treatment</u> is recommended in PAH patients with signs of RV failure and fluid retention	I	C	178
<u>Continuous long-term O₂ therapy</u> is recommended in PAH patients when arterial blood O ₂ pressure is consistently <8 kPa (60 mmHg) ^d	I	C	179
<u>Oral anticoagulant treatment</u> may be considered in patients with IPAH, HPAH and PAH due to use of anorexigens	IIb	C	84,171, 175–177
Correction of anaemia and/or iron status may be considered in PAH patients	IIb	C	184
The use of angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors, angiotensin-2 receptor antagonists, beta-blockers and ivabradine is not recommended in patients with PAH unless required by co-morbidities (i.e. high blood pressure, coronary artery disease or left heart failure)	III	C	

HPAH = heritable pulmonary arterial hypertension; IPAH = idiopathic pulmonary arterial hypertension; O₂ = oxygen; PAH = pulmonary arterial hypertension; RV = right ventricular.

^aClass of recommendation.

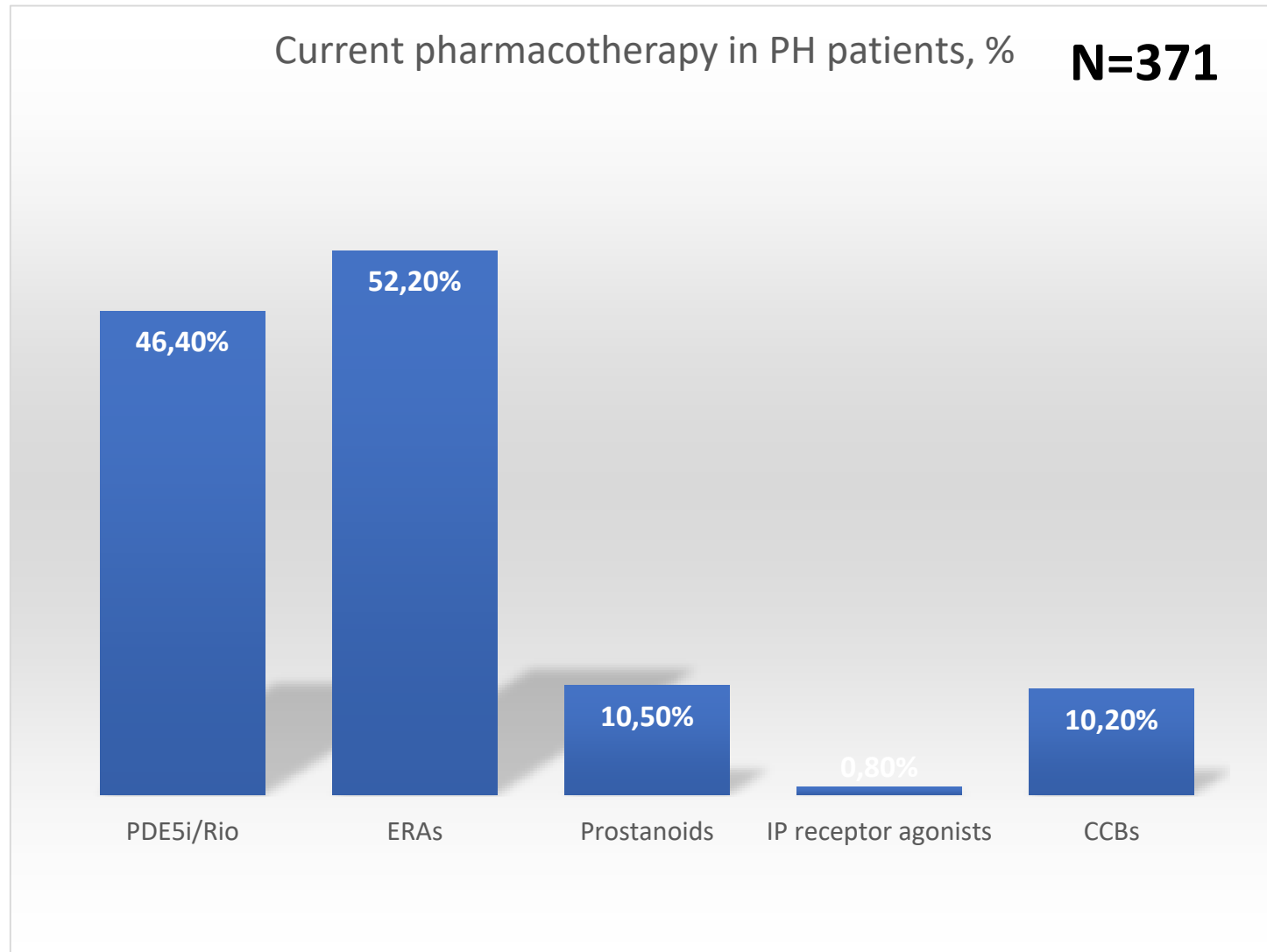
^bLevel of evidence.

^cReference(s) supporting recommendations.

^dSee also recommendations for PAH associated with congenital cardiac shunts.

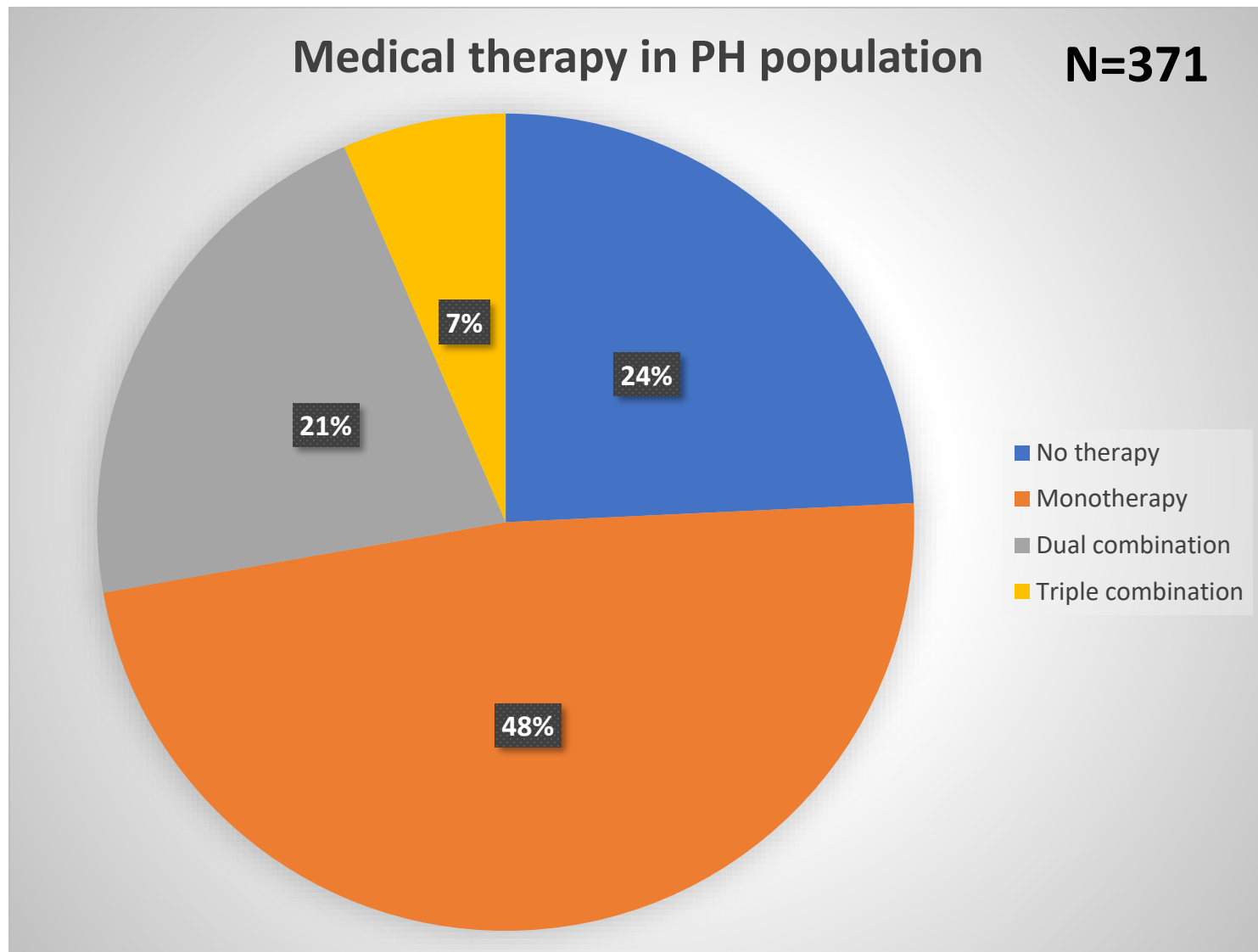
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Medical therapy in PH patients (I)



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Medical therapy in PH patients (II)



Pulmonary hypertension: Real-world data from a Portuguese expert referral centre

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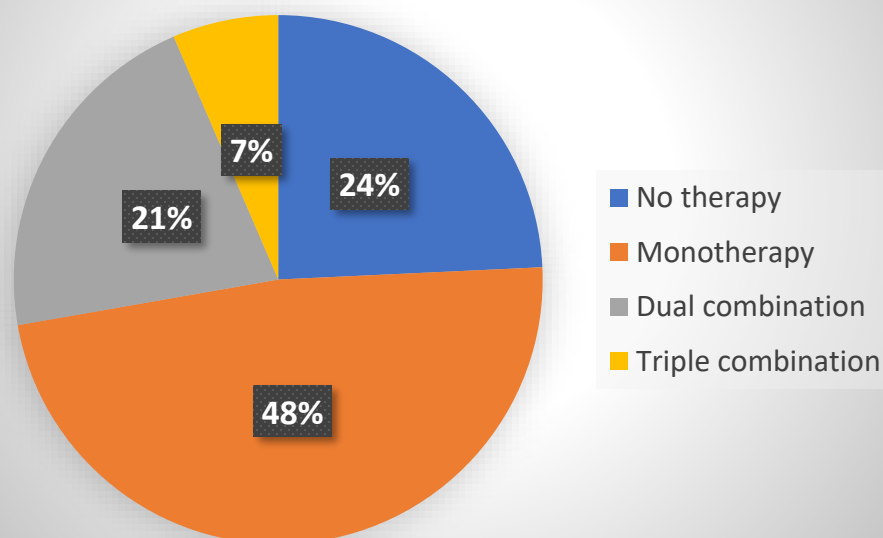
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Table 2 Medical and surgical treatment at the last follow-up visit.

Treatment	Overall(n = 101)
<i>Single targeted treatment</i>	
Patients under <u>monotherapy only</u>	43 (42.6)
PDE-5I	5 (5.0)
ERA	38 (37.6)
<i>Combination treatment</i>	
Patients under <u>combination therapy</u>	49 (48.5)
Dual combination therapy	30 (29.7)
Triple combination therapy	19 (18.8)
PDE-5I + Prostanoids	0 (0.0)
Prostanoids + ERA	9 (8.9)
PDE-5I + ERA	21 (20.8)
PDE-5I + Prostanoids + ERA	19 (18.8)
<i>Surgical treatment</i>	
Pulmonary endarterectomy	11 (10.9)
<i>Conventional treatment</i>	
Conventional therapy only	9 (8.9)
Conventional plus targeted therapy	92 (91.1)

Medical therapy in PH population



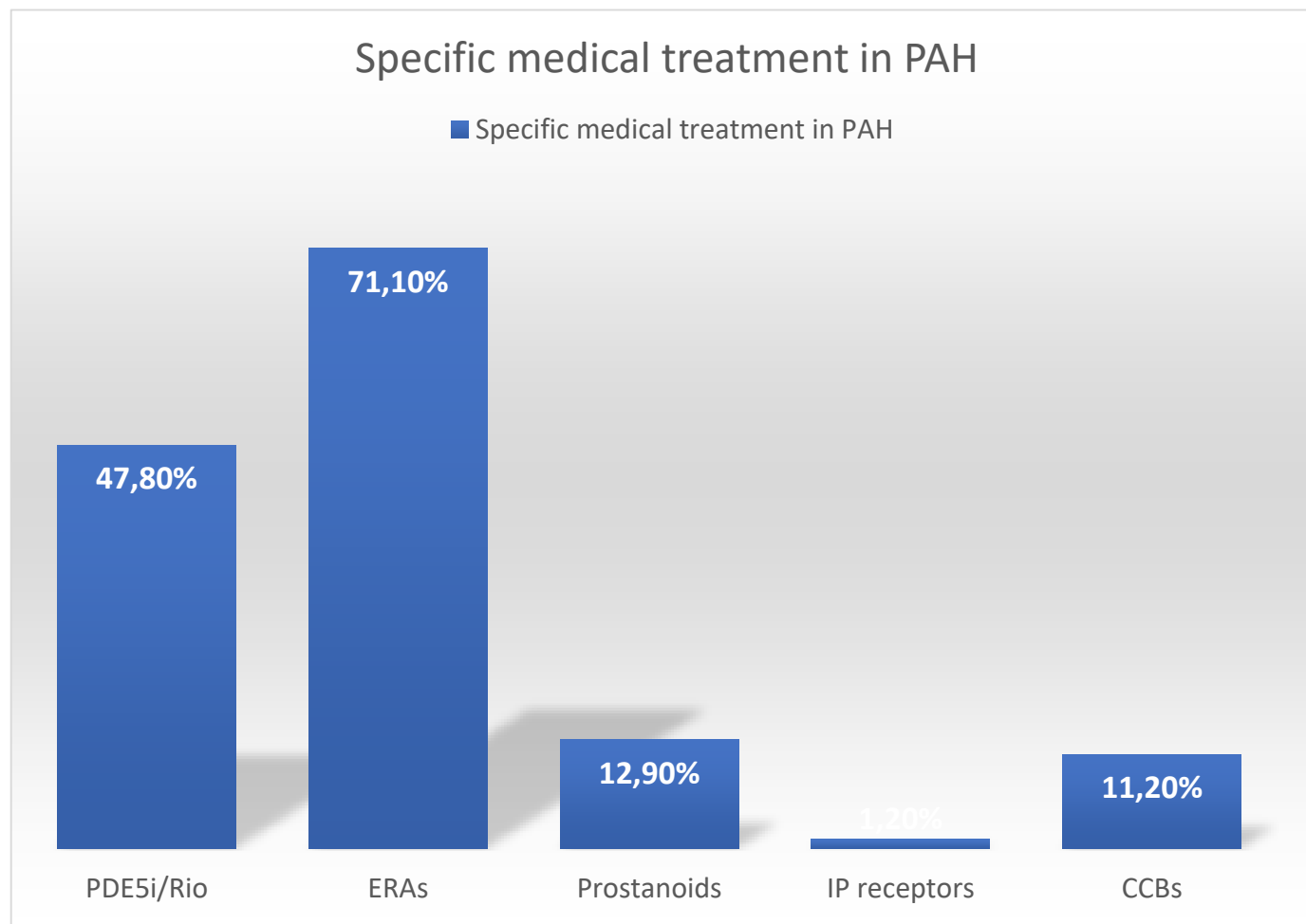
Results are presented as absolute frequency (percentage).

IPAH: idiopathic pulmonary arterial hypertension; HPAH: heritable pulmonary arterial hypertension; CTD: connective tissue disease; CHD: congenital heart disease; CTEPH: chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension; PDE-5I: phosphodiesterase-5 inhibitors; ERA: endothelin-1 receptor antagonists; NA: not applicable.

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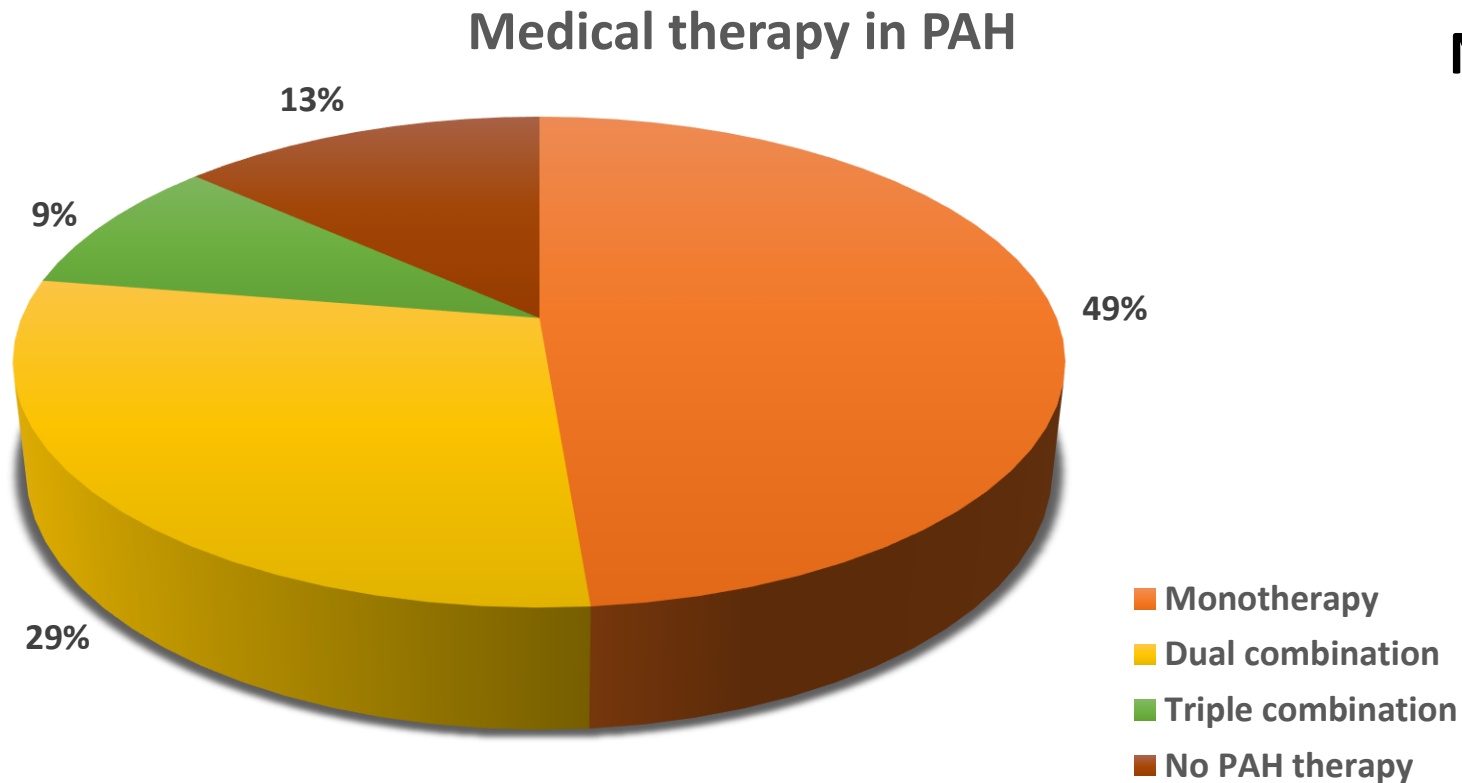
Medical therapy in PAH (Group 1) patients (I)

N=232



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Medical therapy in PAH (Group 1) patients (II)



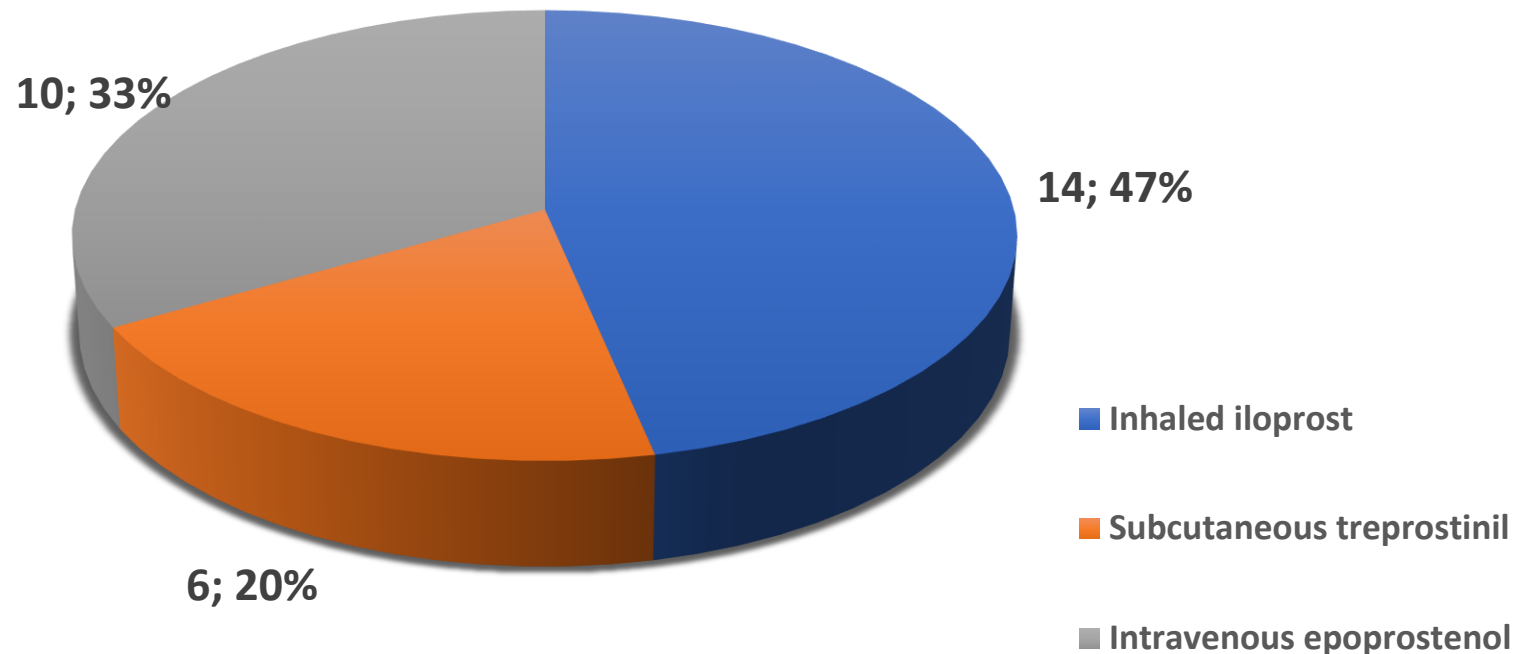
Dual combination	PAH (N=68), n (%)
PDE5i/Rio + ERA	57 (84)
PDE5i/Rio + Prostacyclin analogue	8 (11.7)
ERA+ Prostacyclin analogue	3 (3.7)

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Medical therapy in PAH (Group 1) patients (III)

Prostacyclin analogues use in patients with PAH

N=30

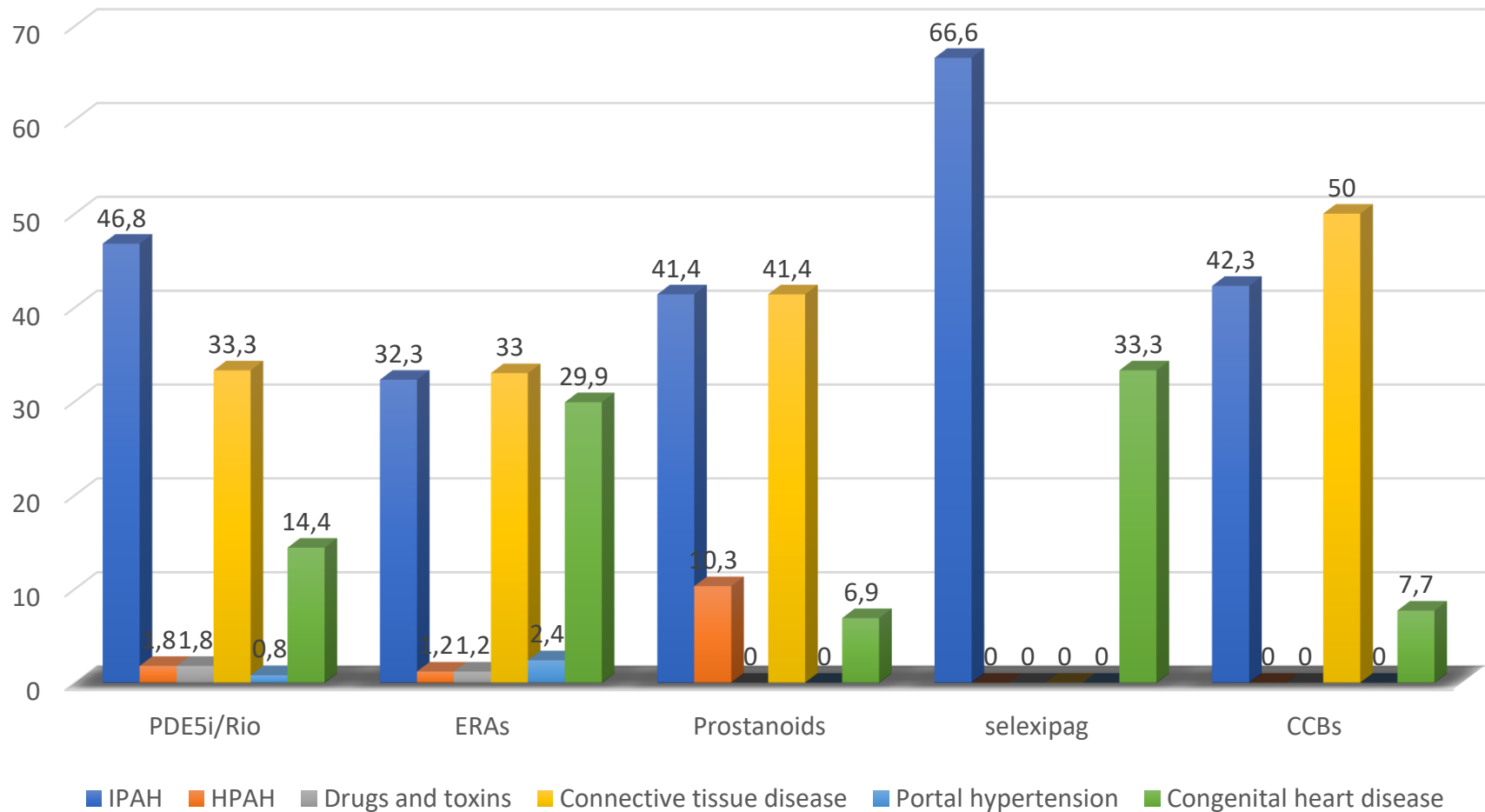


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Medical therapy in PAH (Group 1) patients (IV)

Medical therapy in each PAH subgroup, %

N=232

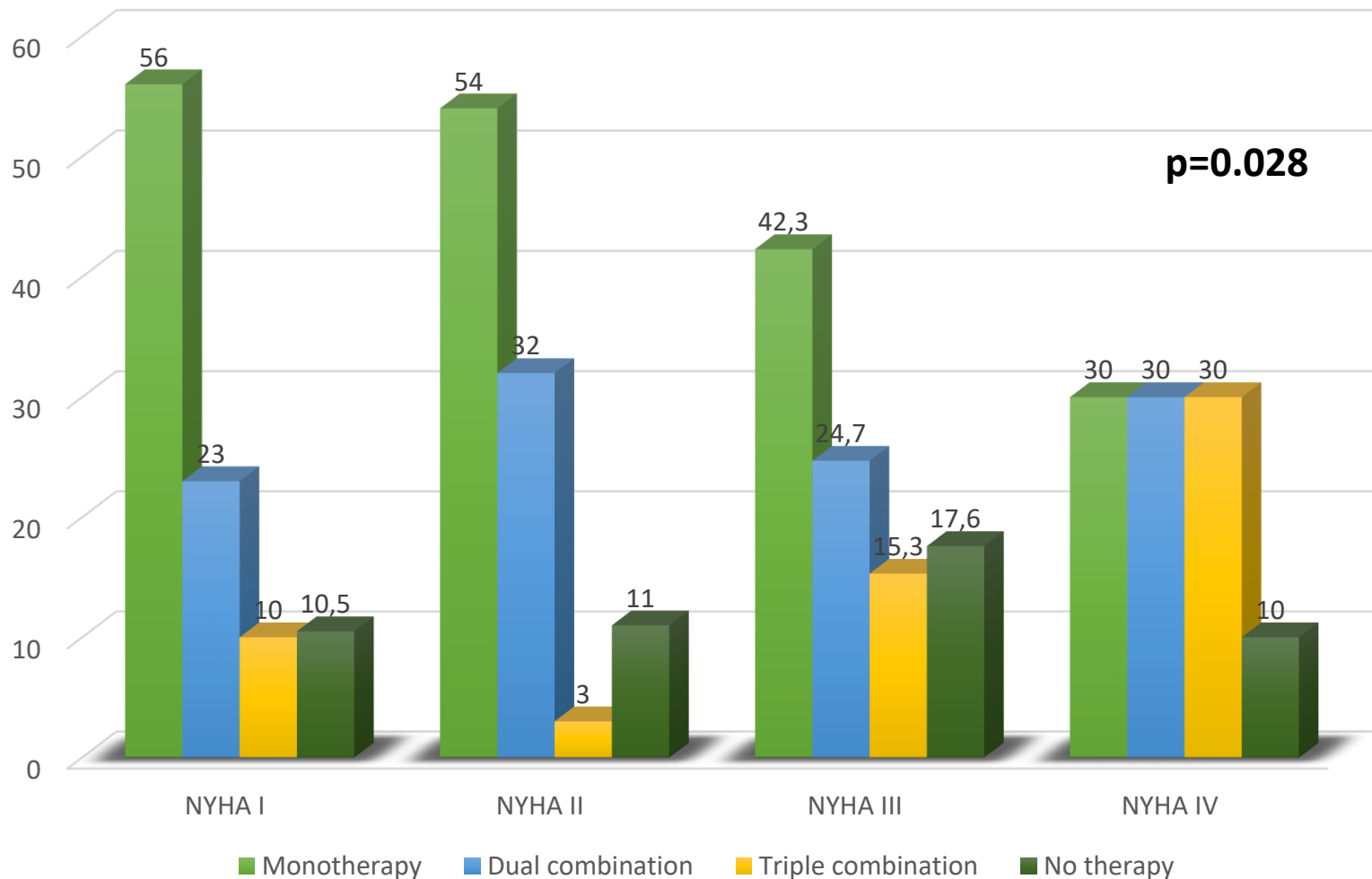


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Medical therapy in PAH (Group 1) patients (V)

Pharmacotherapy in PAH according to WHO class, %

N=232



EUROPEAN RESPIRATORY UPDATE

REVEAL: a contemporary US hypertension registry

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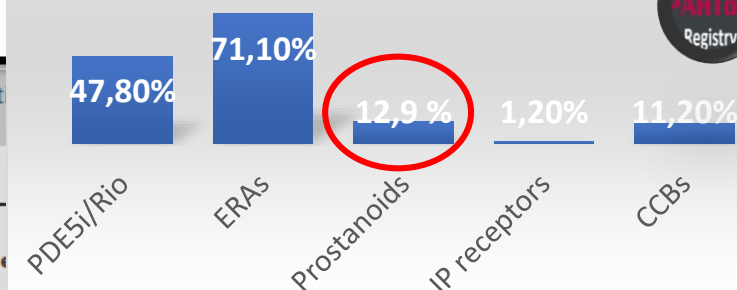
TABLE 2 Pulmonary arterial hypertension-specific medications among patients in the REVEAL registry at enrolment

	ERA ^a	PDE-5 Inhibitor ^b			
Overall use^c	1147 (47.0)	1194 (49.0)	480 (19.7)	237 (9.7)	307 (12.6)
Monotherapy	452 (18.5)	417 (17.1)	188 (7.7)	23 (0.9)	84 (3.4)
Combination with one oral therapy^d	291 (11.9)	290 (11.9)	243 (10.0)	138 (5.7)	148 (6.1)
Combination with one prostacyclin analogue	224 (9.2)	305 (12.5)	2 (0.1)	3 (0.1)	5 (0.2)
Combination with >1 other therapy	180 (7.4)	182 (7.5)	47 (1.9)	73 (3.0)	70 (2.9)
NYHA/WHO functional class I/II					
Overall use	468 (47.1)	474 (47.7)	187 (18.8)	71 (7.1)	111 (11.2)
Monotherapy	216 (21.7)	187 (18.8)	83 (8.4)	4 (0.4)	26 (2.6)
Combination with one oral therapy ^d	110 (11.1)	109 (11.0)	85 (8.6)	41 (4.1)	60 (6.0)
Combination with one prostacyclin analogue	76 (7.6)	110 (11.1)			
Combination with >1 other therapy	66 (6.6)	686 (6.8)	19 (1.9)	26 (2.6)	25 (2.5)
NYHA/WHO functional class III					
Overall use	525 (47.7)	567 (51.5)	218 (19.8)	130 (11.8)	161 (14.6)
Monotherapy	181 (16.4)	177 (16.1)	80 (7.3)	16 (1.5)	43 (3.9)
Combination with one oral therapy ^d	147 (13.4)	147 (13.4)	117 (10.6)	78 (7.1)	79 (7.2)
Combination with one prostacyclin analogue	114 (10.4)	160 (14.5)	2 (0.2)	2 (0.2)	4 (0.4)
Combination with >1 other therapy	83 (7.5)	83 (7.5)	19 (1.7)	34 (3.1)	35 (3.2)
NYHA/WHO functional class IV					
Overall use	55 (44.4)	61 (49.2)	44 (35.5)	14 (11.3)	15 (12.1)
Monotherapy	5 (4.0)	14 (11.3)	17 (13.7)	2 (16)	5 (4.0)
Combination with one oral therapy ^d	16 (12.9)	16 (12.9)	21 (16.9)	8 (6.5)	4 (3.2)
Combination with one prostacyclin analogue	18 (14.5)	15 (12.1)			
Combination with >1 other therapy	16 (12.9)	16 (12.9)	6 (4.8)	4 (3.2)	6 (4.8)

Data are presented as n (%). Combinations with one oral therapy, with one prostacyclin analogue, and with more than one oral therapy are mutually exclusive and exclude calcium channel blockers. Blinded clinical trial patients are excluded from this presentation (n=87). ERA: endothelin receptor antagonist; PDE-5: phosphodiesterase type-5; NYHA/WHO: New York Heart Association/World Health Organization. ^a: 953 on bosentan, 106 on sitaxsentan and 89 on ambrisentan; ^b: 1,147 on sildenafil and 47 on tadalafil; ^c: treprostinil use includes 159 on intravenous, 112 on subcutaneous, 28 on inhaled and nine on oral treprostinil; ^d: n=2,435; ^e: oral therapy is defined as bosentan, sildenafil, ambrisentan, sitaxsentan and tadalafil. Reproduced from [15] with permission from the publisher.

Specific medical treatment in PAH

■ Specific medical treatment in PAH



42%

37%

58%

Current epoprostenol use in patients with severe idiopathic, heritable or anorexigen-associated pulmonary arterial hypertension: Data from the French pulmonary hypertension registry



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TABLE 1

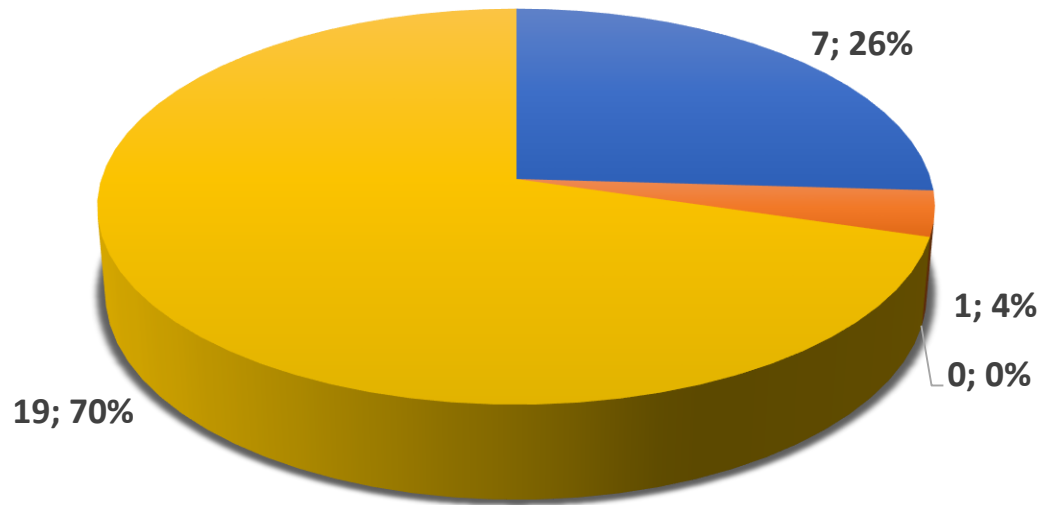
Characteristics of IHA-PAH patients at epoprostenol initiation.

	Treatment-naïve patients (n = 43)			Non-naïve (n = 35)	All patients (n = 78)
	Epoprostenol monotherapy (n = 17)	Combination (n = 26)	All naïve (n = 43)		
<i>Demographics</i>					
Female gender, %	64.7	69.2	67.4	54.3	62.0
Age, years	50 ± 16	39 ± 14	43 ± 16*	54 ± 16*	48 ± 17
Time from symptoms to enrolment, months, median [Q1–Q3]	13 [5–20] (n = 17)	13 [9–17] (n = 25)	13 [5–20] (n = 42)	10 [5–34] (n = 31)	12 [5–22] (n = 73)
Time from enrolment to epoprostenol initiation, months, median [Q1–Q3]	0 [0–0]	0 [0–0]	0 [0–0]*	7 [4–16]*	1 [0–6]
<i>Functional capacity</i>					
NYHA class, % II/III/IV	12: 29: 59 (n = 17)	0: 46: 54 (n = 26)	5: 39: 56 (n = 43)	12: 55: 33 (n = 33)	8: 46: 46 (n = 76)
6MWD, m	165 ± 154 (n = 15)	278 ± 170 (n = 24)	235 ± 171 (n = 39)	257 ± 197 (n = 28)	244 ± 182 (n = 67)
<i>Hemodynamics</i>					
RAP, mm Hg	10.7 ± 4.5 (n = 13)	11.1 ± 5.2 (n = 25)	11.0 ± 4.9 (n = 38)	11.1 ± 4.5 (n = 27)	11.0 ± 4.7 (n = 65)
mPAP, mm Hg	58.5 ± 16.5 (n = 17)	64.7 ± 15.9 (n = 26)	62.2 ± 16.2* (n = 43)	53.7 ± 9.5* (n = 30)	58.7 ± 14.4 (n = 73)
PAOP, mm Hg	8.0 ± 2.9 (n = 15)	7.8 ± 3.3 (n = 25)	7.9 ± 3.1* (n = 40)	9.7 ± 4.3* (n = 30)	8.6 ± 3.8 (n = 70)
Cardiac index, L·min ⁻¹ ·m ⁻²	1.9 ± 0.5 (n = 17)	1.7 ± 0.3 (n = 26)	1.8 ± 0.4 (n = 43)	2.0 ± 0.6 (n = 30)	1.9 ± 0.5 (n = 73)
PVR, dyn·s·cm ⁻⁵	1236 ± 433 (n = 15)	1540 ± 645 (n = 25)	1426 ± 591* (n = 40)	1035 ± 444* (n = 30)	1258 ± 564 (n = 70)

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Medical therapy in Group 2 and Group 3 PH

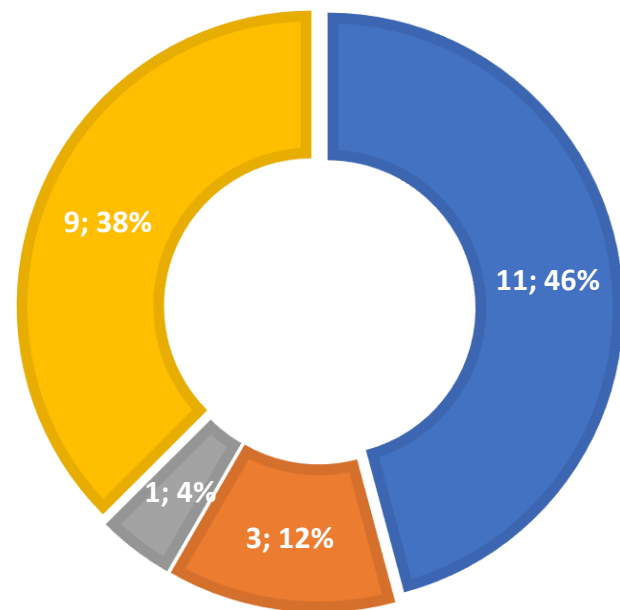
PH-LHD off label treatment with
PAH specific drugs N=27



■ Monotherapy
■ Triple therapy

■ Dual therapy
■ No specific treatment

OFF-LABEL SPECIFIC PAH
TREATMENT IN PH DUE TO
LUNG DISEASE N=24



■ Monotherapy
■ Dual combination
■ Triple combination
■ No PAH specific treatment

Medical therapy in Group 2 and Group 3 PH

Recommendations

Table 31 Management of pulmonary hypertension in left heart disease

Recommendations	Class ^a	Level ^b	Ref. ^c
Optimization of the treatment of the underlying condition is recommended before considering assessment of PH-LHD (i.e. treating structural heart disease)	I	B	396
It is recommended to identify other causes of PH (i.e. COPD, sleep apnoea syndrome, PE, CTEPH) and to treat them when appropriate before considering assessment of PH-LHD	I	C	396
It is recommended to perform invasive assessment of PH in patients on optimized volume status	I	C	
Patients with PH-LHD and a severe pre-capillary component as indicated by a high DPG and/or high PVR should be referred to an expert PH centre for a complete diagnostic workup and an individual treatment decision	IIa	C	
The importance and role of vasoreactivity testing is not established in PH-LHD, except in patients who are candidates for heart transplantation and/or LV assist device implantation	III	C	396
The use of PAH-approved therapies is not recommended in PH-LHD	III	C	396

COPD = chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; CTEPH = chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension; DPG = diastolic pressure gradient; LHD = left heart disease; LV = left ventricular; PE = pulmonary embolism; PH = pulmonary hypertension; PVR = pulmonary vascular resistance.

^aClass of recommendation.

^bLevel of evidence.

^cReference(s) supporting recommendations.

Table 33 Recommendations for pulmonary hypertension due to lung diseases

Recommendations	Class ^a	Level ^b	Ref. ^c
Echocardiography is recommended for the non-invasive diagnostic assessment of suspected PH in patients with lung disease	I	C	403, 405
Referral to an expert centre is recommended ^d in patients with echocardiographic signs of severe PH and/or severe right ventricular dysfunction	I	C	
The optimal treatment of the underlying lung disease, including long-term O ₂ therapy in patients with chronic hypoxaemia, is recommended in patients with PH due to lung diseases	I	C	169
Referral to PH expert center should be considered for patients with signs of severe PH/severe RV failure for individual-based treatment	IIa	C	
RHC is not recommended for suspected PH in patients with lung disease, unless therapeutic consequences are to be expected (e.g. lung transplantation, alternative diagnoses such as PAH or CTEPH, potential enrolment in a clinical trial)	III	C	169
The use of drugs approved for PAH is not recommended in patients with PH due to lung diseases	III	C	411–416

CTEPH = chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension; PAH = pulmonary arterial hypertension; PH = pulmonary hypertension; RHC = right heart catheterization.

^aClass of recommendation.

^bLevel of evidence.

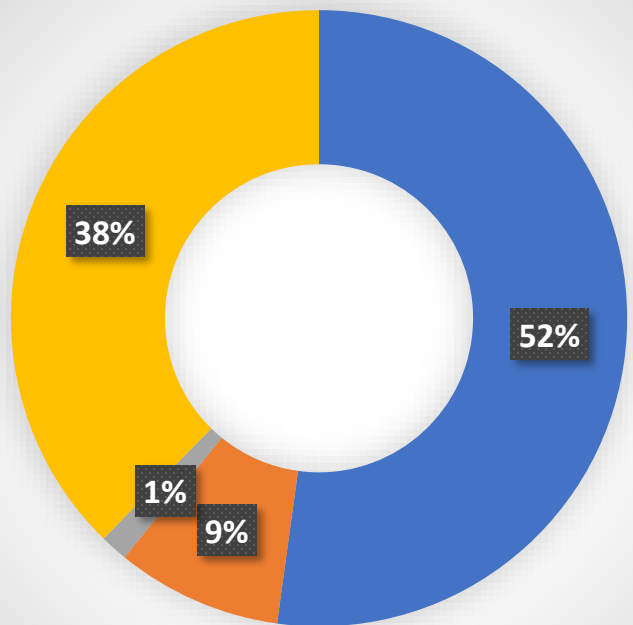
^cReference(s) supporting recommendations.

^dThis recommendation does not apply to patients with end-stage lung disease who are not considered candidates for lung transplantation.

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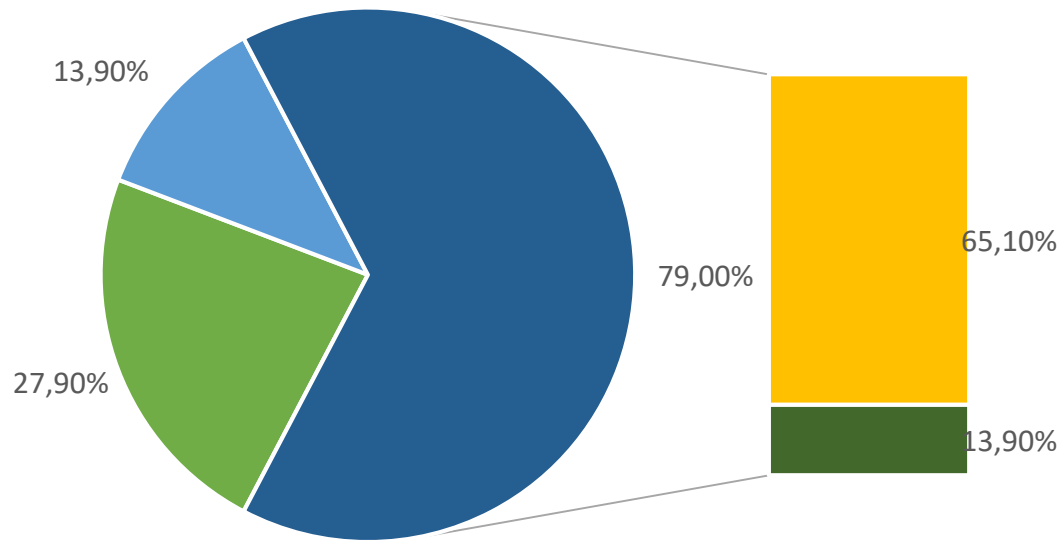
Medical therapy in Group 4 PH

PAH targeted therapy in
CTEPH patients N=69



■ Monotherapy
■ Dual combination
■ Triple combination
■ No medical therapy

N=43

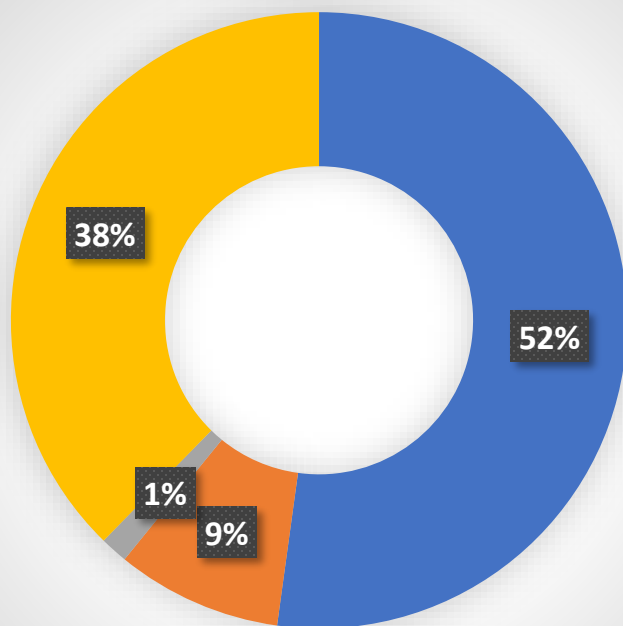


■ ERAs ■ Prostanoids ■ Riociguat ■ PDE5i

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PAH targeted therapy in CTEPH patients N=69



- Monotherapy
- Dual combination
- Triple combination
- No medical therapy

Circulation



Chronic Thromboembolic Pulmonary Hypertension (CTEPH): Results From an International Prospective Registry

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Table 6. PAH-Targeted Therapy Initiated at Diagnosis

	All Patients (n=679)	Operable Patients* (n=427)	Nonoperable Patients* (n=247)	P (Exploratory)
PAH-targeted therapy, % (n)	37.9 (676)	28.3 (427)	53.8 (247)	<0.0001
Phosphodiesterase type V inhibitor, %	17.5	16.2	19.4	0.2923
Endothelin receptor antagonist, %	21.7	12.2	37.7	<0.0001
Prostacyclin analogue, %	2.7	1.6	4.5	0.0443
Combination therapies, %	4.0	1.6	7.7	0.0002

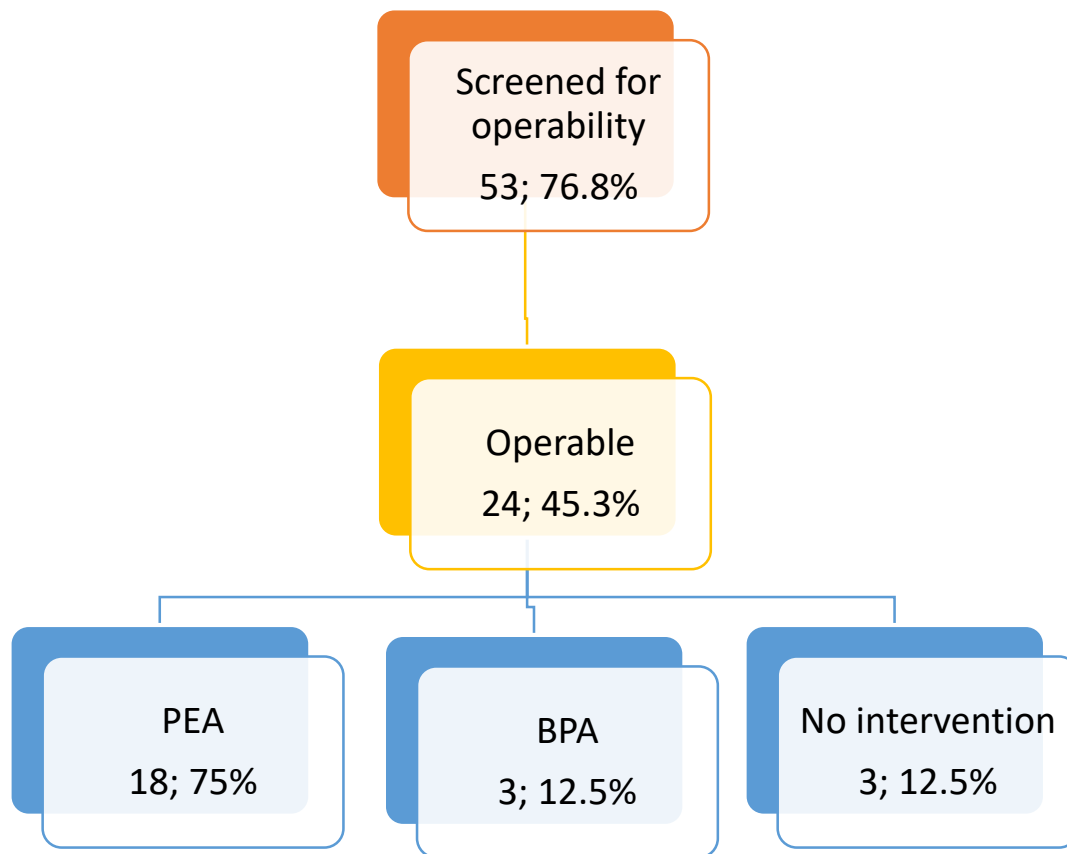
P values from Fisher exact test. (n): patients with assessment. PAH indicates pulmonary arterial hypertension.

*Five patients had no data on operability.



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Interventional therapies in Group 4 PH



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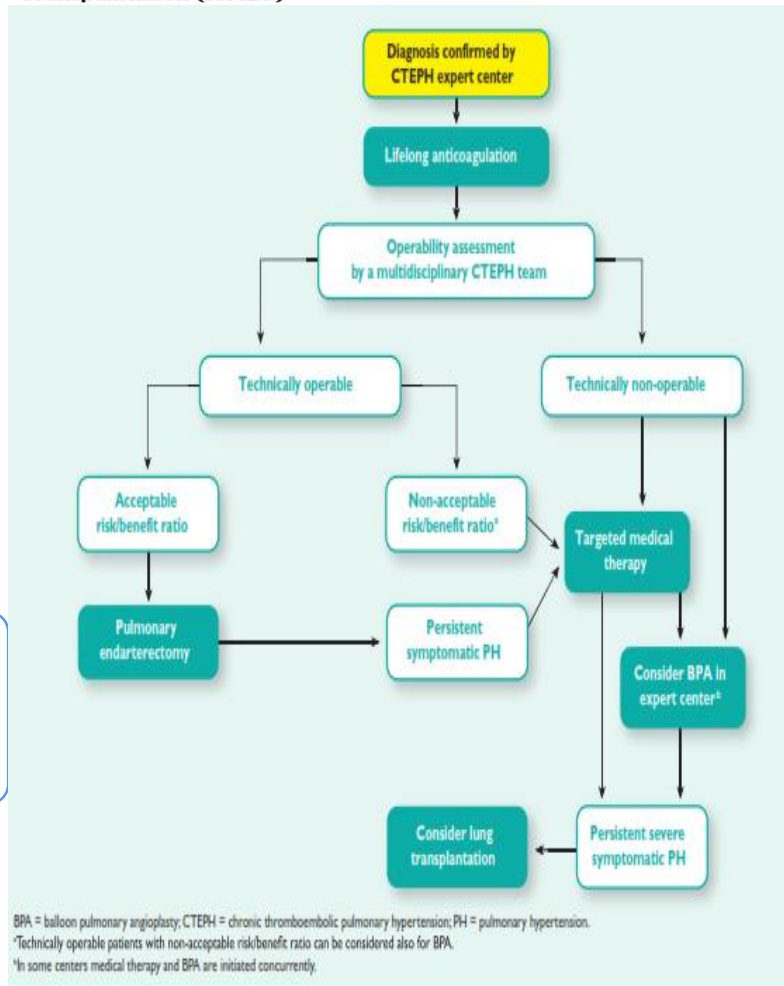
ESC/ERS GUIDELINES



2015 ESC/ERS Guidelines for the diagnosis and treatment of pulmonary hypertension

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BPA = balloon pulmonary angioplasty; CTEPH = chronic thromboembolic pulmonary hypertension; PH = pulmonary hypertension.

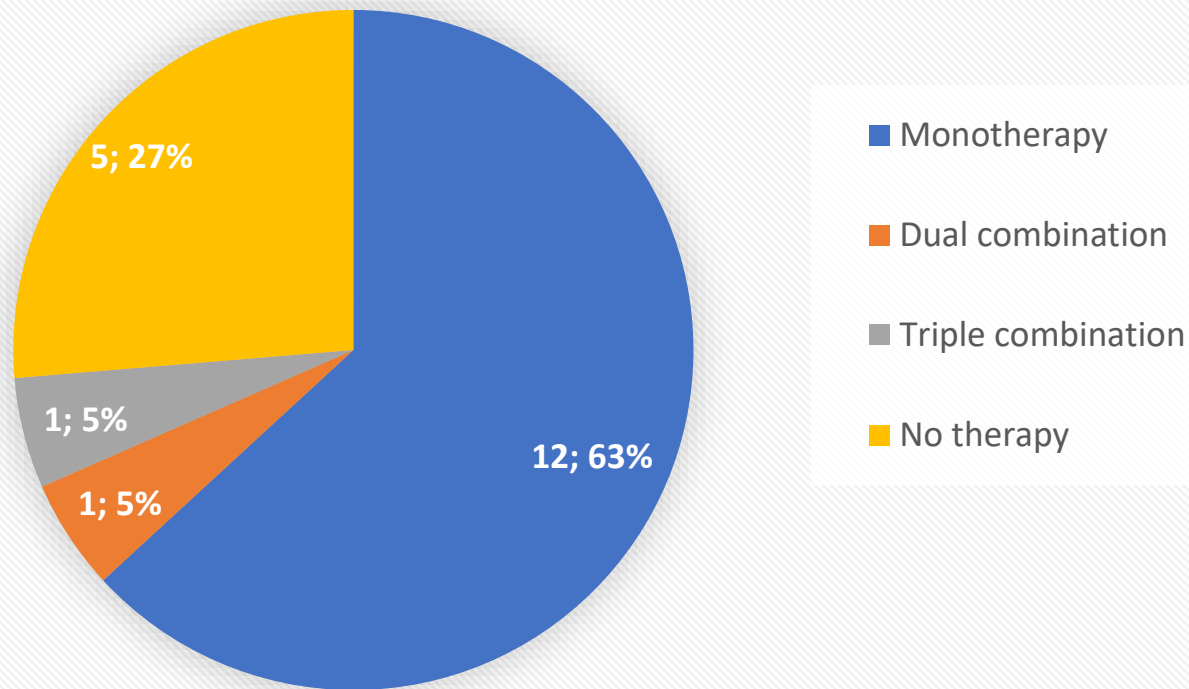
*Technically operable patients with non-acceptable risk/benefit ratio can be considered also for BPA.

*In some centers medical therapy and BPA are initiated concurrently.

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Medical therapy in Group 5 PH

PAH specific treatment in patients with
multifactorial PH **N=19**



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Conclusion and future perspectives



Current data on pharmacotherapy in PAH patients present several differences compared with foreign registries.

- The majority of patients have mild symptoms on exertion (WHO II).
- Half of PAH patients receive monotherapy.
- About 40% receive a combination therapy, while the most frequent combination is a PDE5i with an ERA.
- Prostanoids are used less compared with other registries.

- In CTEPH population more effort should be made regarding operability assessment.
- An expert center in endarterectomy should be established in Greece

- More effort should be made regarding data collection and follow up of patients.
- Cooperation between physicians and expert centers is essential.