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The Digital Health Challenges

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The main Information Governance Challenges

- Expansion of information systems within organizations
- Expansion of the use of health information
- Proliferation of medical devices that generate data and which should be integrated into the electronic clinical process of the institutions
- Increasing data volume and variety
- Interoperability issues between medical devices and IS and between intra and inter-institutional IS
- Trust in shared information
- The legal obligations inherent in the information
- Information security

Digital Transformation in Europe

Figure 9. Variations in the percentage of clinicians using the different types of digital technologies

	Europe	Denmark	Germany	Italy	Netherlands	Norway	Portugal	UK
Electronic health record	81%	95%	77%	69%	97%	89%	74%	87%
Prescribing	62%	73%	13%	67%	97%	86%	96%	69%
Online appointment booking	54%	61%	38%	53%	67%	41%	66%	62%
Apps for Clinicians	51%	54%	44%	53%	70%	40%	55%	52%
Online access platforms/tools (for primary or hospital care)	46%	50%	23%	47%	49%	51%	68%	57%
Telemedicine	43%	61%	30%	38%	59%	40%	45%	47%
Rostering	37%	29%	52%	14%	46%	39%	23%	49%
Automation of pharmacies/ drug dispensing	30%	38%	23%	25%	62%	34%	13%	35%
Point of care diagnostics	26%	24%	31%	10%	43%	35%	9%	37%
Patients Apps/Wearables	22%	26%	21%	18%	35%	15%	17%	26%
Remote vital sign monitoring	22%	24%	22%	21%	24%	20%	13%	25%
Automation of other clinical tasks	19%	26%	25%	9%	28%	15%	12%	22%
Voice recognition tools	16%	16%	26%	8%	10%	26%	1%	20%
Robotics	8%	8%	13%	8%	5%	6%	3%	8%
Genomics data (storing or using)	8%	14%	11%	6%	1%	5%	3%	10%
Radio Frequency Identification tags (RFID)	6%	3%	8%	3%	3%	2%	5%	9%
Artificial Intelligence technologies	5%	7%	7%	5%	5%	6%	2%	5%
Virtual reality	5%	4%	4%	5%	5%	5%	0%	7%

Percentage of survey respondents

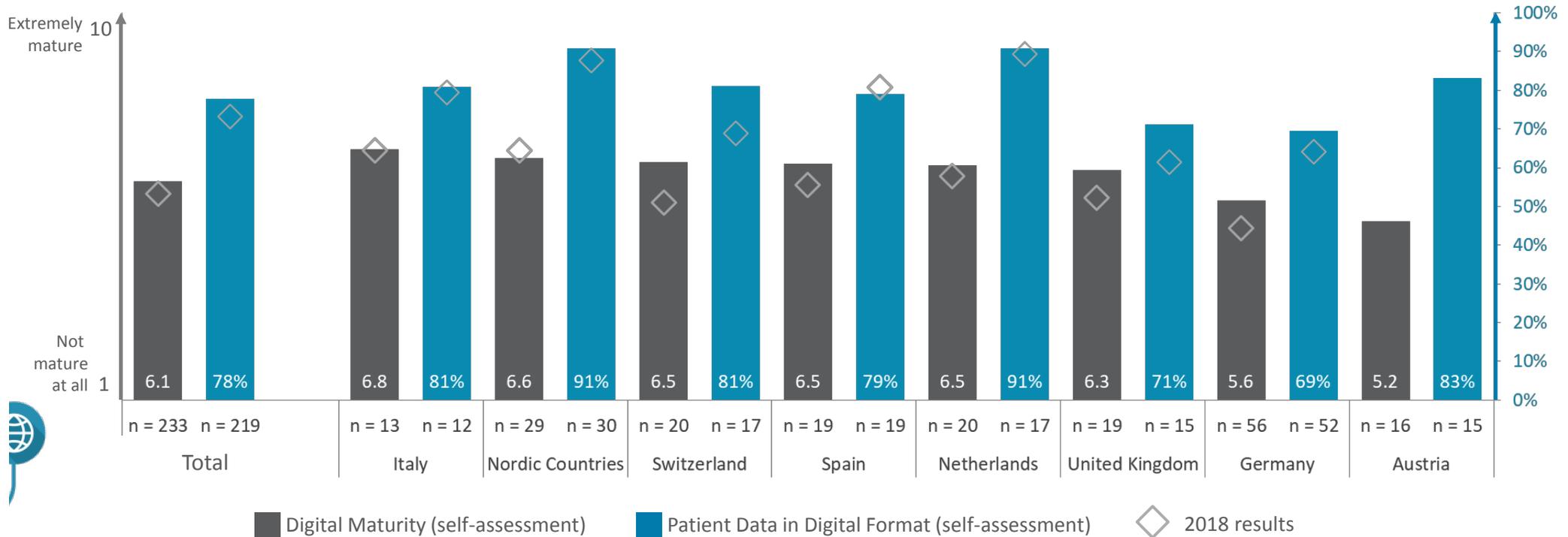
Digital transformation in Europe

How would you rate your organisation in terms of digital maturity?

[mean values; scale from 1 "not mature at all" to 10 "extremely mature"; only participants who work in a health facility]

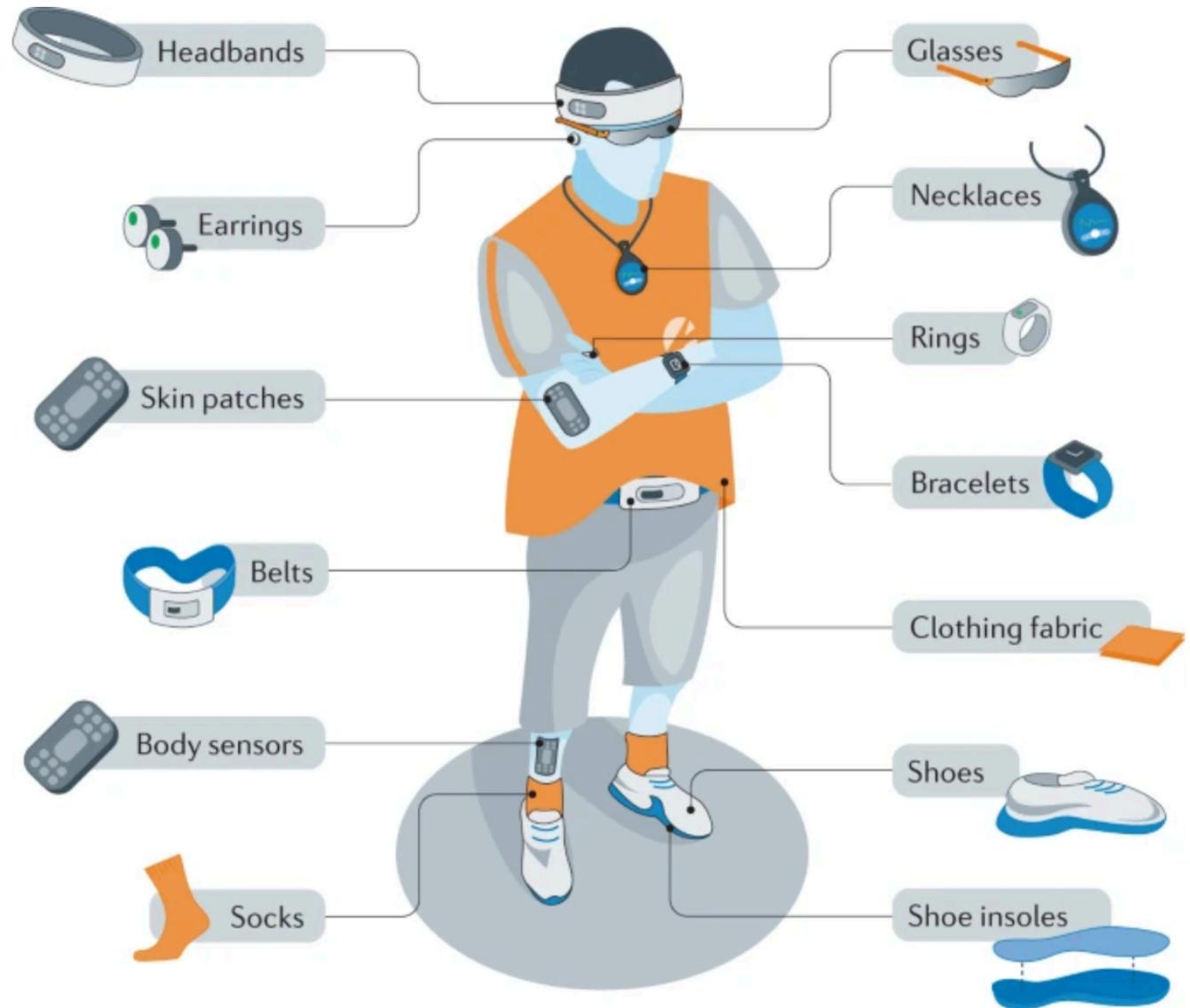
What percentage of patient data in your organisation is digitised?

[Scale from 0% - 100%; only participants who work in a health facility]



Valid responses 2018: Total: n = 262*/242**; Italy: n = 19*/19**; Nordic Countries: n = 35*/33**; Switzerland: n = 30*/29**; Spain: n = 19*/18**; Netherlands: n = 20*/17**; United Kingdom: n = 19*/15**; Germany: n = 48*/44**; *Q1: digital maturity?; **Q2: percentage of digitised patient data?; Austria: no data for 2018.

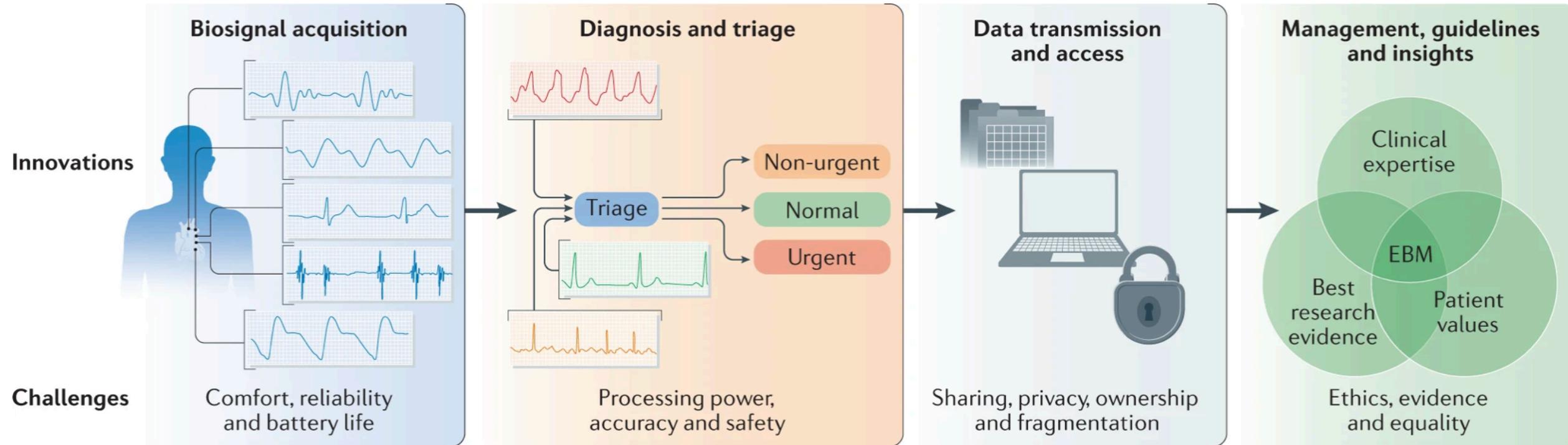
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“It is not just about the sensor, you got to make sense of that”

Martin Cowie, 2021

Novas Fronteiras em Cardiologia



Integration of novel monitoring devices with machine learning technology for scalable cardiovascular management
 Chayakrit Krittanawong, *Nature Reviews Cardiology* volume 18, pages75–91(2021)

Digital transformation

In a context of strong budgetary restraint and almost impossibility of hiring more human resources, technology can be the key and factor of transformation and induction of greater efficiency and optimization of the health system

André Aragão Azevedo, 8ª Conferência de Valor APAH, Out 2020

The health system of the future - working environments driven by digital health

- Training in universities of health professionals
- Investment in the continuous development of skills
- Recourse to professionals from other countries empowered by the use of low-health and real-time data monitoring
- Patients diagnosed, reviewed and treated at home (increased home hospitalization)
- The role of clinicians will change dramatically in terms of the type of work they do, where they do it, and how they do it





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