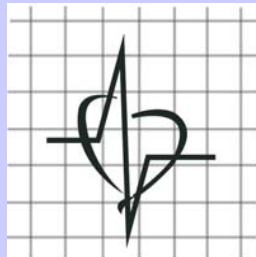


Electrophysiology and Pacing in Hungary: Current situation



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Population by age and sex

	Male	Female	Total
2020	4.571.596	5.030.016	9.601.612
2008	4.727.205	5.203.710	9.930.915
1990	4.980.782	5.391.096	10.371.878

Economic information

Gross domestic product (U.S dollar-billions)	164.339*	2008
Gross domestic product per capita	16.343,32*	2008
Total expenditure on health as % of GDP	7,6	2006
General government expenditure on health as % of total expenditure on health	70,8	2006
Private expenditure on health as % of total expenditure on health	29,2	2006

Proportion of deaths resulting from cardiovascular disease

2007	349 per 100.000 citizens
2008	not available

Proportion cardiac mortality over total mortality of the country

2007	75%
2008	not available

Financing of EP in Hungary

- One insurance company (state owned)
- All EP procedures are covered
- Implants
 - purchased by insurance company through centralized tender at low prices
 - EP community is involved in tender process
 - Wide range of devices (41 types in 2010)
 - Increase in budget by 1 Billion HUF (3,7 Million Euros)
- Catheters
 - Case based reimbursement (conventional EP/ablation catheters, catheters for electroanatomical mapping, focal cryo, cryoballoon, Ablation Frontiers, sheaths, transsept needles, ICE catheters etc)

Accreditation

- Started in 2007
- Initiated and technically organized by the WG
- Acknowledged and validated by Hungarian College of Cardiology

2 types of certification

„Device therapy” and ”Electrophysiology / ablation”

Prerequisites:

- Board exam: Cardiology or anaesthesiology (Cardiac surgeons???)
- 2 year training in an accredited University or high volume national/foreign EP center
- Numbers of procedures: EHRA requirements were adopted
- Successful final exam : first exam: September, 2007.
- Preparatory courses starting in 2008 (May and September)

Guideline implementation

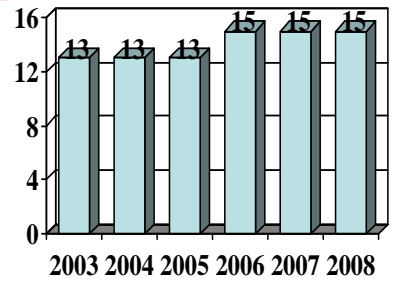
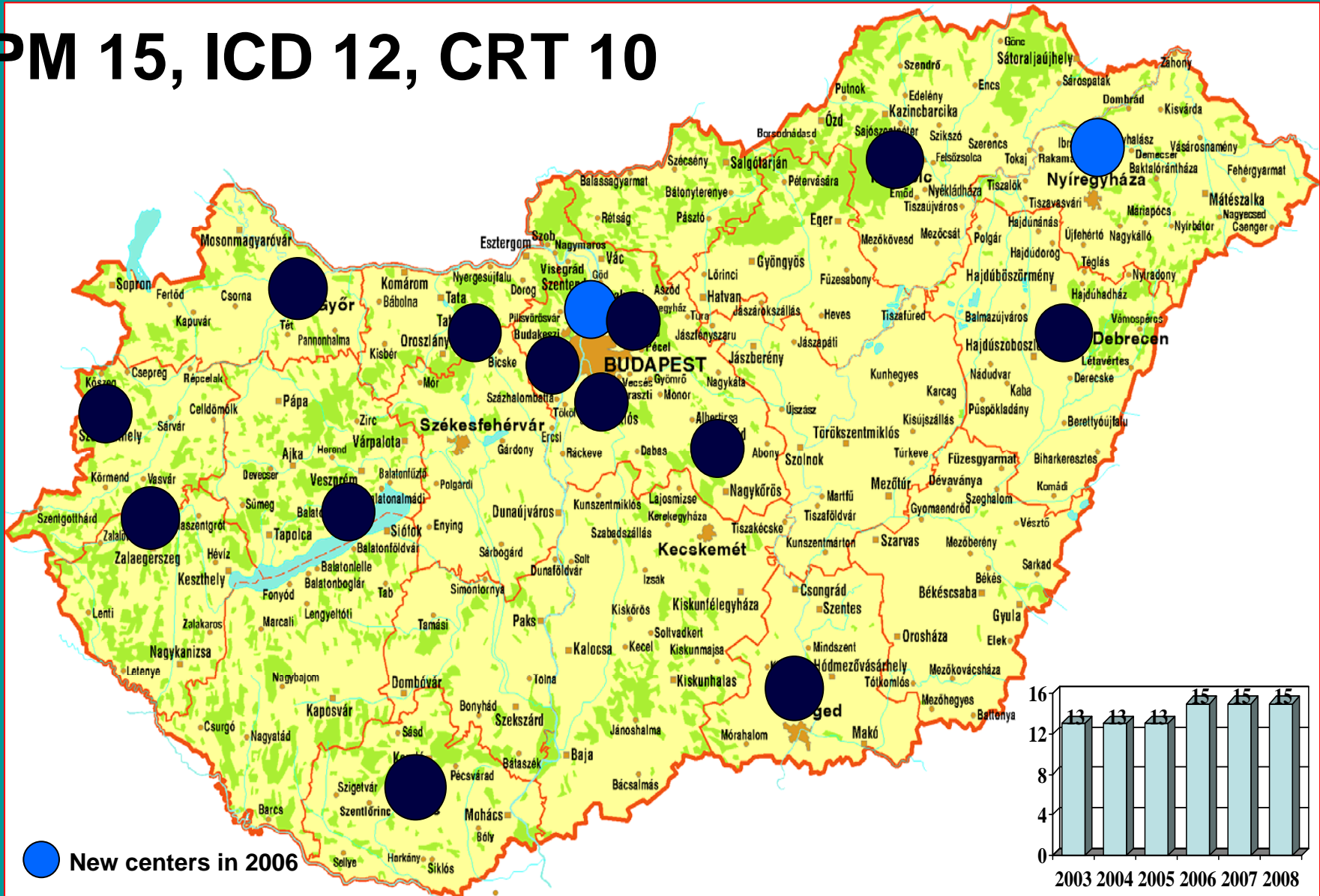
- ◆ National guidelines organized by Hungarian College of Cardiology
- ◆ Regular updates (based on international guidelines)
- ◆ 2007: Presidential Board decision to adopt all European guidelines
- ◆ Economical limitations to implement prophylactic ICD implantation guidelines

PM/ICD registry

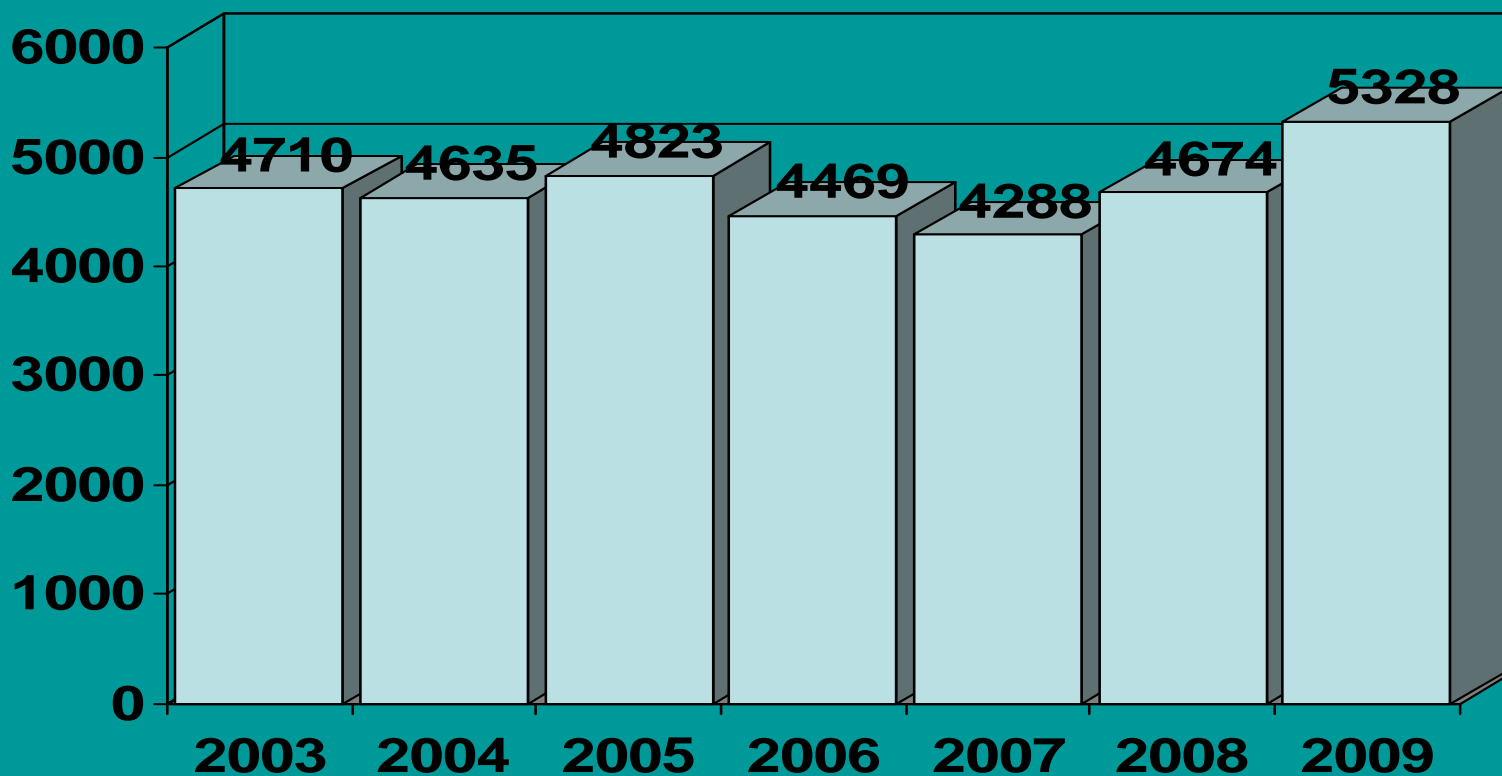
- ◆ Started in january, 2008
- ◆ Digatal database working through internet
- ◆ Difficulties in having the centres enter data
- ◆ Difficulties in getting fonancial support from companies

Pacemaker/ICD centers in Hungary

PM 15, ICD 12, CRT 10

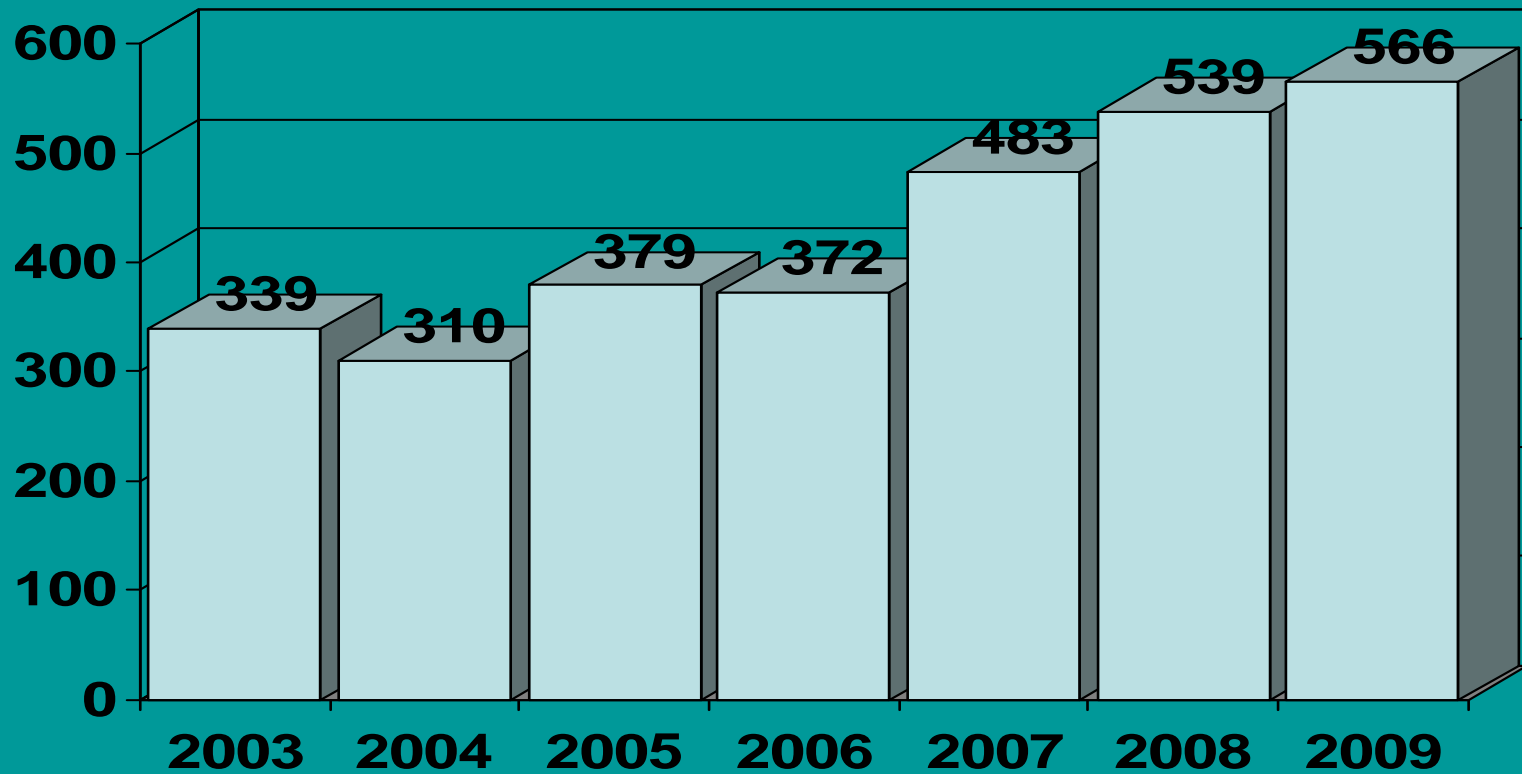


Primary pacemaker implantations for conventional bradycardia indication



Implant/million population	471,0	463,5	482,3	446,9	428,8	467,4	532,8
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ICD implantations for secondary and primary prevention of SCD



Implant/milli
on
population

33,9

31,0

37,9

37,2

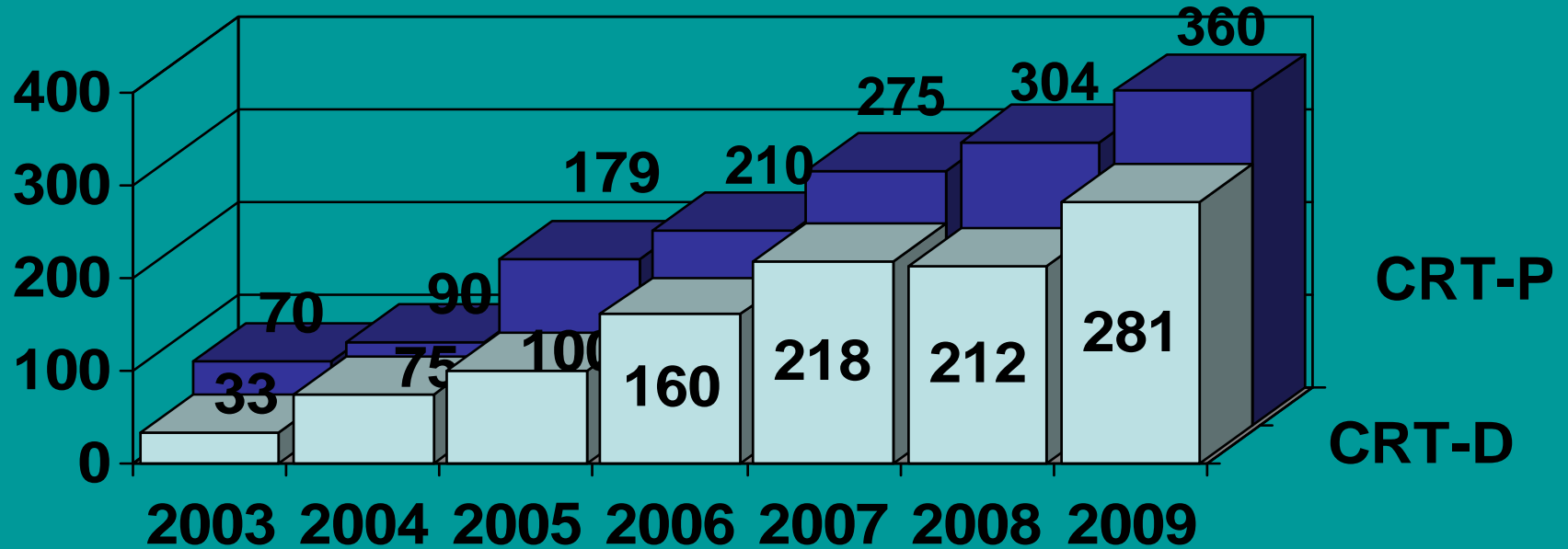
48,3

53,9

56,6

2010: 750 VVICD/DDCD

Cardiac Resynchronisation Therapy in Hungary



	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
CRT-P/million population	7,0	9,0	18,0	21,0	27,5	30,4	36
CRT-D/million population	3,3	7,5	10,0	16,0	21,8	21,2	28,1
Total/million population	10,3	16,5	28,0	37,0	49,3	51,6	64,1

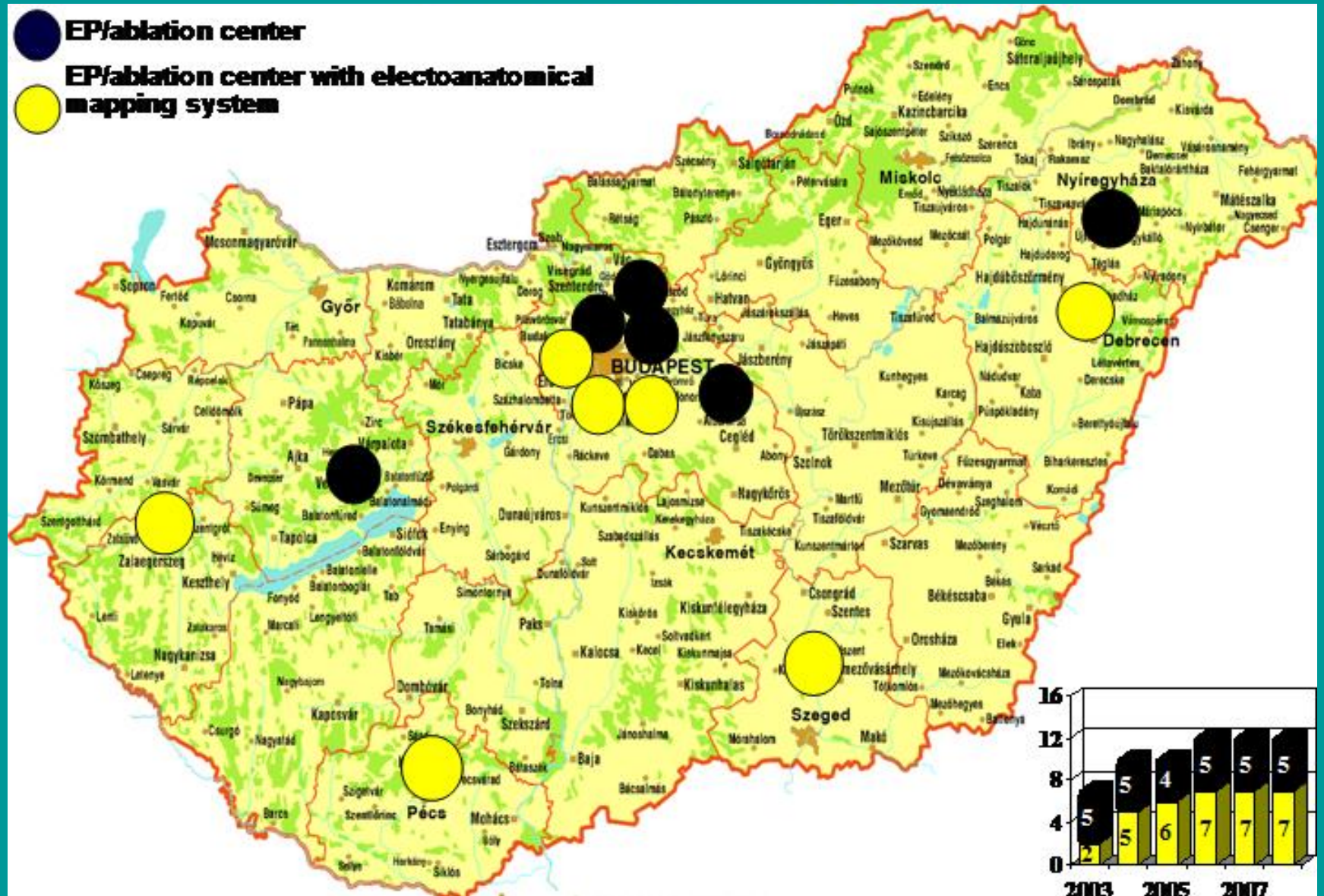
Hungarian CRT-P+D

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
CRT-P/D	102	161	279	370	493	516	670
EU-15 Incidence: 700	15%	23%	40%	53%	70%	73%	96%
US prevalence 16000	0,6%	1,0%	1,7%	2,3%	3,1%	3,2%	4%

EP centers in Hungary

● EP ablation center

● EP ablation center with electroanatomical mapping system

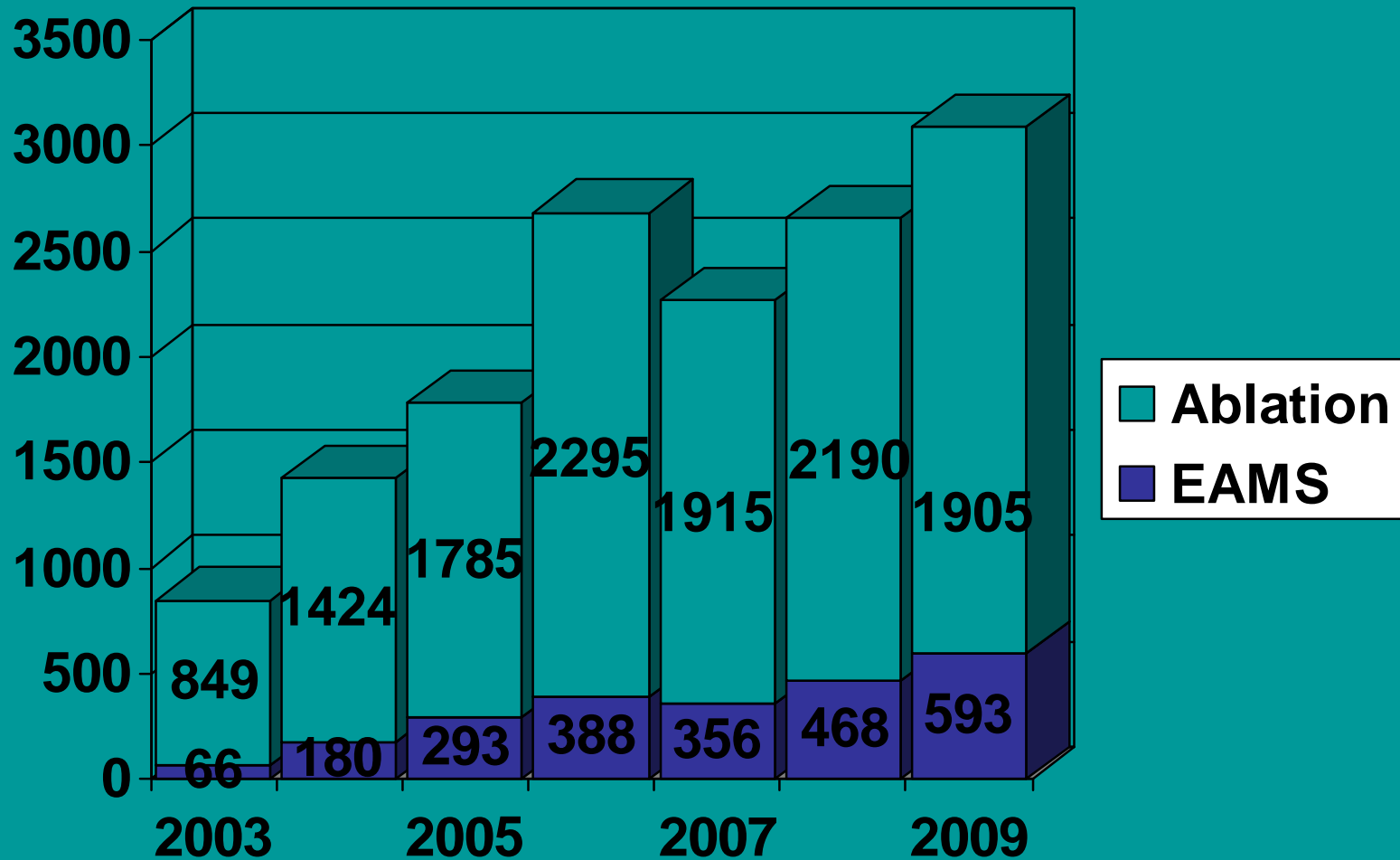


5 High volume, full scale centres

EP Equipment in Hungary

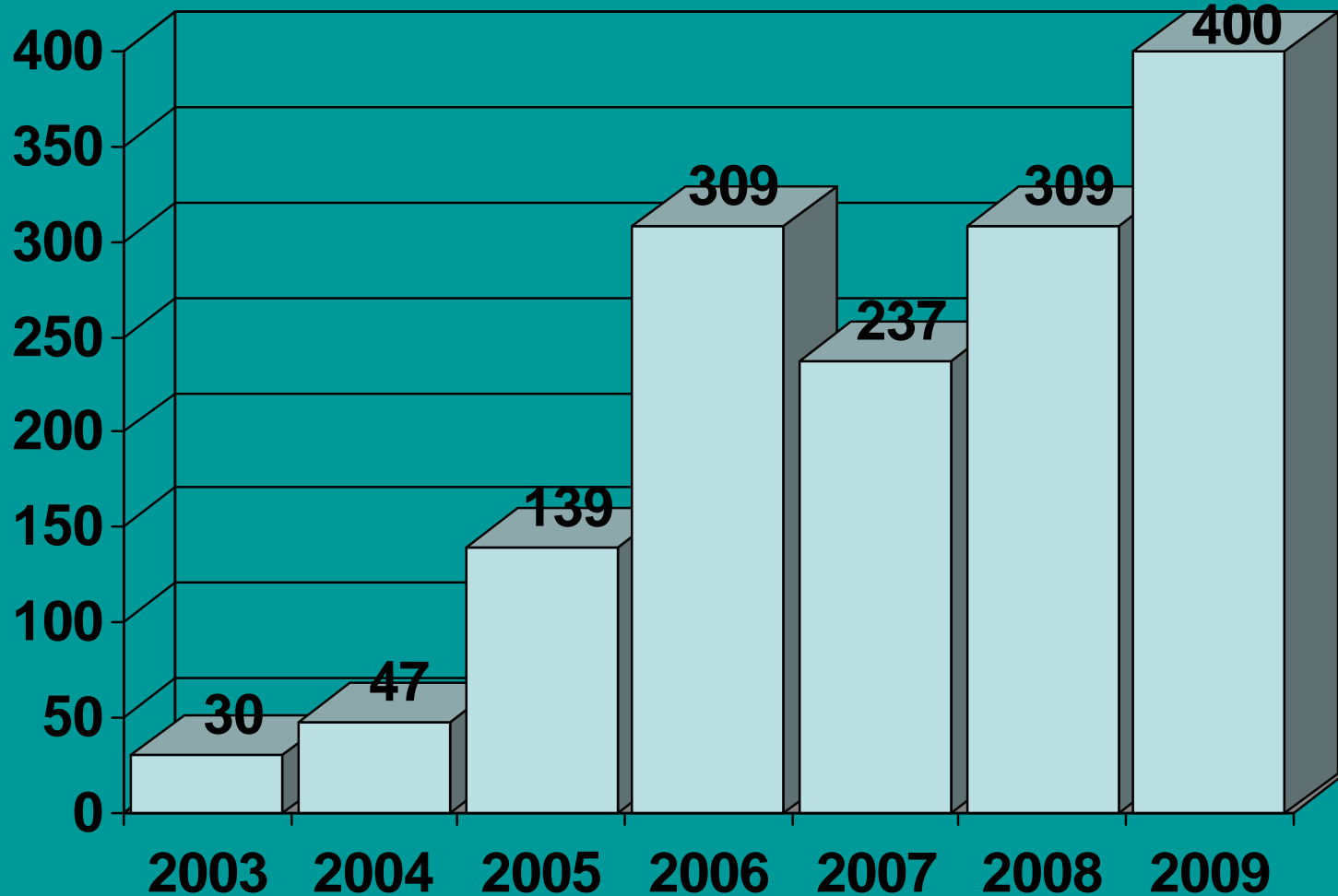
- ◆ EAMS in 7 centers
(7 CARTO and 1 NAVEX)
- ◆ CRYOBallon in 3 centers
- ◆ Ablation Frontiers in 1 center
- ◆ ICE in 5 centers
- ◆ Robotic system: none

Total number of ablations in Hungary



EAMS=Electroanatomical Mapping System

Atrial fibrillation ablations



100 cryoballon

Conclusions

The total number of pacemaker implantations in Hungary is comparable to other EU countries

- *No limitations in bradycardia therapy*
- *There should be further increase in ICD implants (with or without CRT)*
- *CRT-P implantations are mostly limited by relatively low referrals rate*
- *Problems with data entry to PM/ICD registry*

Ablation activities are still limited by the budget especially those involving advanced technology (CARTO, EnSite, Cryoballon, Ablation Frontiers)

