



TRACEABILITY OF IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICES / PATIENT INFORMATION: WHERE DO WE STAND?





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INTRODUCTION

Implantable Medical Devices (IMD) are subject to sanitary traceability:

- defined in R5212-36 to R5212-42 articles of the French Public Health Code, then in decrees of 29/11/2006, 26/01/2007 and 08/09/2021
- evaluated by the contract for the improvement of quality and efficiency of healthcare (CAQES) thanks to regional indicators

OBJECTIVE

To evaluate the **quality** of health traceability in our establishment

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Selection of 10 tracer IMD references, representative of:

- establishment's activity;
- reimbursement status ("intra-GHS": 3 / "hors-GHS": 7);
- management methods (purchase: 4 / deposit: 6).

Interventional platform

Interventional cardiology

> Consult Stomatology

Distribution by installation site

Surgery rooms

- Cardiac
- Vascular
- Ophthalmic
- Digestive
- Plastic
- Orthopaedic
- Otolaryngology

The evaluation grid consists of 27 criteria distributed across 4 domains:



Hospital Care service pharmacy 9 criteria 6 criteria



Patient information 9 criteria



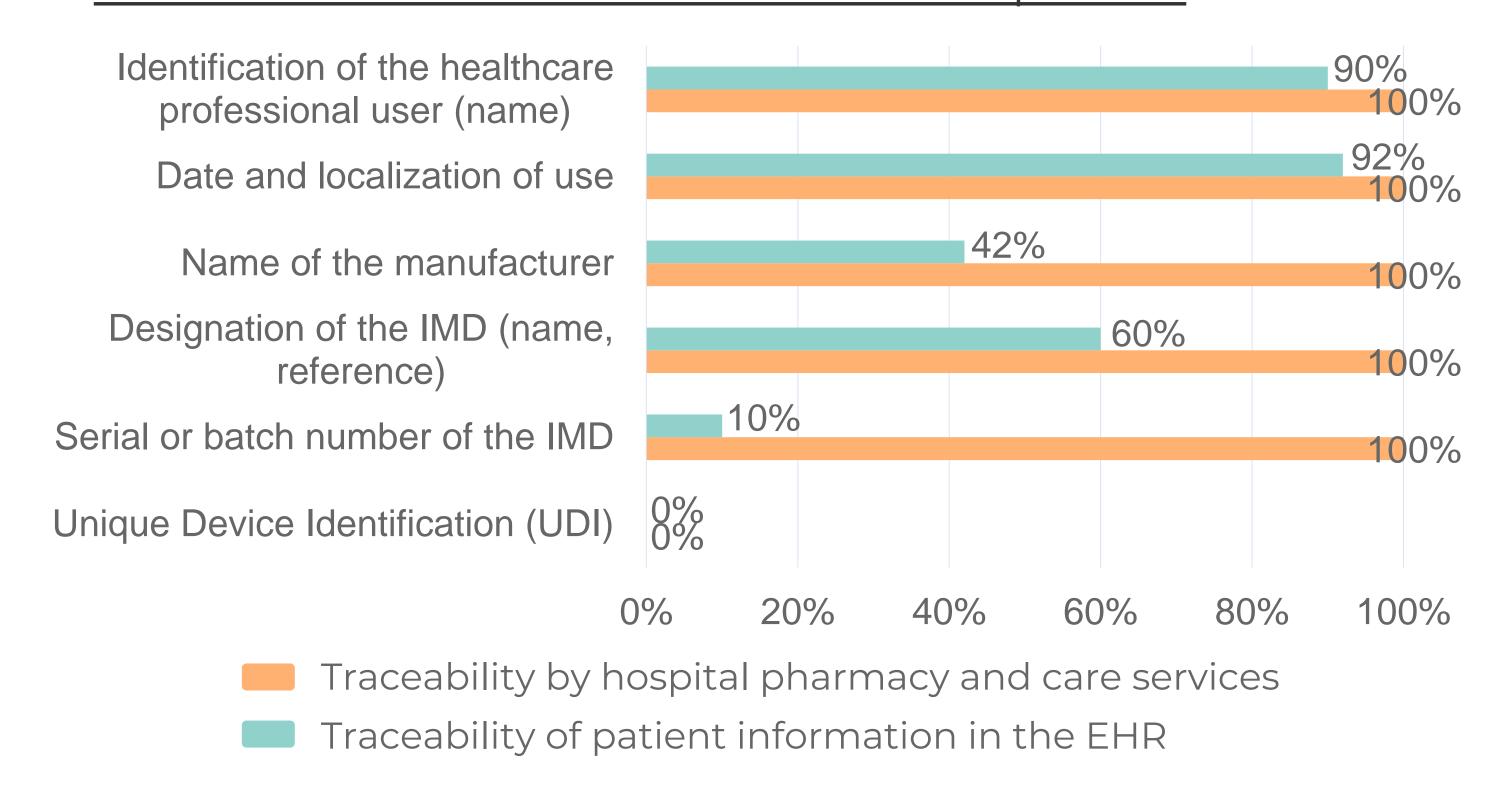
Transmission 3 criteria

- → Retrospective analysis of the year 2022 based on 50 implantations of MD (selected from the 10 tracer IMD references).
- > Comparison with the analysis conducted in 2020 (excluding 8 criteria) - see QRCode -EuroPharmat 2020 congress



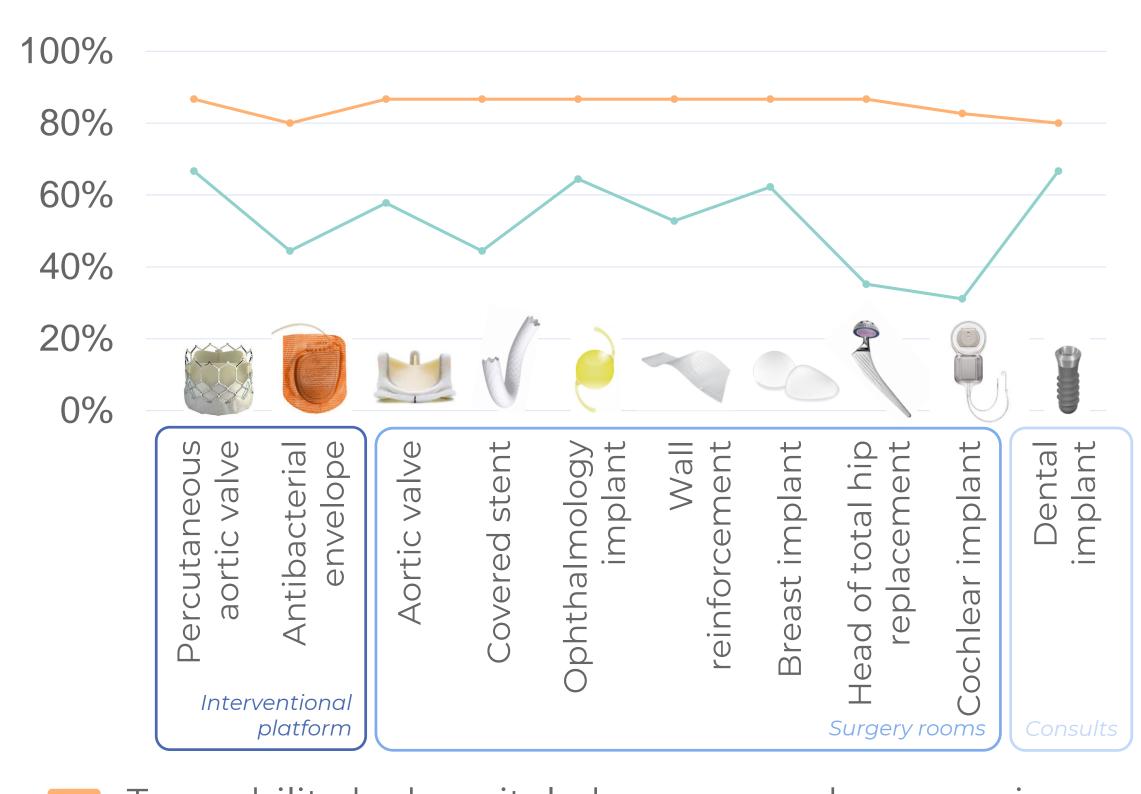
RESULTS

- Traceability by the hospital pharmacy: 86%
- Traceability by the care service: 84%
- Traceability of patient information in the electronic health records (EHR): 52%
 - → Divergent practices according to surgical specialties
- Communication of information to the patient: 96%



Loss of information between traceability in professional software and information traced as communicated.

No implant card traced as delivered.



Traceability by hospital pharmacy and care services Traceability of patient information in the EHR

Improvement in practices since 2020 (excluding 8 criteria not studied in the previous audit):

20	2023
)%	100%
)%	100%
%	49%
	5%

DISCUSSION / CONCLUSION

CAQES 2022-2024 target for all criteria: > 75% -> Objective not achieved



Improvements in Pharmacy / Services

- Traceability of **UDI**: integrate label scanning throughout the IMD circuit;
- Healthcare professional's RPPS number;
- Harmonization of the circuit between surgery rooms.

Improvements in patient information traceability

- Standardization of follow-up letters;
- Interoperability of professional software: automatic transfer of information traced by the medical/surgical and pharmaceutical services onto the referral letter (especially the UDI);
- Traceability of the surgical report to the patient;
- Implementation of an implant card delivering circuit.