

# Ipertensioni resistenti endocrine

**10.000 bambini**

**4%**

**400**

**10.000 adulti**

**40%**

**4000**

<b>Neonati</b>	<b>Età scolare</b>	<b>Adolescenti</b>	<b>Adulti</b>
Primitiva	0	Primitiva	350
Secondaria	400	Secondaria	50
Coartazione aortica	120	Nefropatie	30
Renovascolare	100	Coartazione aorta	10
Nefropatie	80	Renovascolare	5
Neoplastica	10	Endocrina	1
Endocrina	4	Neoplastica	1
Altre	...	Altre	Altre

In che caso valutare se presente una ipertensione secondaria?

# Cause endocrine di ipertensione (resistente)

<b>Patologie surrenaliche</b>	<b>Iperaldosteronismo primario (20%)</b>	Sporadico, familiare (tipo 1-4)
	Feocromocitoma	Sporadico (80%), genetico (20%)
	Ipercortisolismo endogeno ACTH-indipendente	Adenomi, carcinomi, iperplasia (PPNAH, AIMAH)
	Eccesso deossicorticosterone	Deficit 11 $\beta$ -idrossilasi 17 $\alpha$ - idrossilasi Neoplasia DOC secerrente Resistenza cortisolo
<b>Patologia extrasurrenale</b>	Distiroidismo	Tireotossicosi/Ipotiroidismo
	IperPTH	
	Ipercortisolismo endogeno ACTH-dipendente	Malattia Cushing o ACTH ectopico
	Acromegalia	
	Pseudoiperaldosteronismo	Difetto 11 $\beta$ HSD2 AME acquisita (liquerizia) Sindrome di Liddle

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		<b>SCREENING</b>
<b>Patologie surrenaliche</b>	<b>Iperaldosteronismo primario (20%)</b>  Feocromocitoma  Ipercortisolismo endogeno ACTH-indipendente  <b>Eccesso deossicorticosterone</b>	ARR  Metanefrine  1mg-DEX, 24h UFC, LNSC  <b>steroidi</b>
<b>Patologia extrasurrenalica</b>	Distiroidismo  IperPTH  Ipercortisolismo endogeno ACTH-dipendente  Acromegalia  <b>Pseudoiperaldosteronismo</b>	TSH, FT4  Calcio fosforo, PTH, 25OHvitD  1mg-DEX, 24h UFC, LNSC  IGF-1  <b>steroidi</b>

Quali alterazioni di laboratorio nell'iperaldosteronismo primario?

(perché no ipernatriemia)

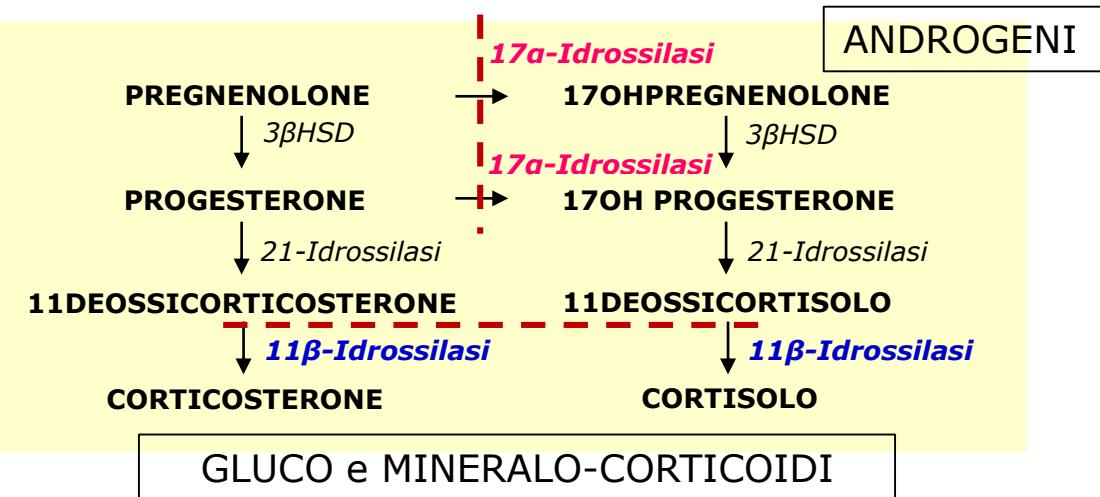
Quale differenza tra iperaldosteronismo primario e apparente eccesso mineralocorticoidi non mediato da aldosterone  
(pseudoiperaldosteronismo)?

Quali alterazioni di laboratorio nella renovascolare?

# Eccesso mineralocorticoidi non mediato da aldosterone

**Ipertensione arteriosa, ipokaliemia ( $\pm$  alcalosi metabolica), soppressione RAAS**

<b>SURRENE (DOC)</b>	Deficit 17 $\alpha$ -idrossilasi, 11 $\beta$ -idrossilasi Neoplasia DOC secernente Resistenza cortisolo
<b>EXTRA SURRENE</b>	Difetto genetico 11 $\beta$ HSD2 o liquerizia Sindrome di Liddle (difetto canale Na <sup>+</sup> )



Patologia	24h UFC	Urinary cortisol: cortisone ratio	DOC	11deossicortisol	Androstenedione	DHEAS
17 $\alpha$ -idrossilasi	↓	-	↑↑	-	↓	↓
11 $\beta$ -idrossilasi	↓	-	↑↑↑	↑↑↑	↑↑↑	↑↑↑
Neoplasia DOC secernente	-	-	↑↑↑	-	-	-
Difetto 11 $\beta$ HSD2	↑↑↑	↑↑↑		-	-	-

# Caso clinico

## SINDROME CONN

La sindrome di Conn è una malattia causata da un eccesso di mineralocorticoidi (aldosterone) o **iperladosteronismo primitivo**.

Essa è stata descritta per la prima volta nel **1955** da **Jerome W Conn**, in una giovane donna di 34 anni che si presentava per astenia, spasmi muscolari, ipertensione arteriosa e ipokaliemia e che veniva riscontrata affetta da un aldosteronoma, adenoma zona glomerulosa del surrene.

L'iperladosteronismo primitivo ha una prevalenza che varia dal 5.9 al 6.8% nella popolazione generale, arrivando fino al **12% nei pazienti con ipertensione e 20% nei pazienti con ipertensione resistente**.

L'iperladosteronismo primitivo può avere diverse cause tra cui: **adenoma** unilaterale o bilaterale, iperplasia surrenalica, carcinoma corticosurrene (pazienti giovani con masse voluminose). Tra le forme rare ricordiamo il GRA *glucocorticoid-remediable aldosteronism* (rara) legata alla fusione di CYP11B1 e CYP11B2.

L'iperaldosteronismo porta a eliminazione renale di potassio e aumentato riassorbimento di sodio con conseguenti **ipokaliemia**, espansione del volume extracellulare e **ipertensione**. Alcalosi (per aumentata eliminazione di idrogenioni a livello renale). Astenia e spasmi muscolari (muscolo non si riesce a depolarizzare e contrarre). Stipsi.

Gianluca, M, 48 anni

giunge in ambulatorio per **incidentaloma con ipertensione arteriosa resistente.**

PA 145/90 mmHg in terapia con nebivololo/idroclortiazide 5/25 mg, ramipril 10 mg, amlodipina 10 mg.

TC addome (controllo post nefrectomia per ca cellule chiare 3 anni prima) nodulo surrene destra di 1 cm densità <10HU.

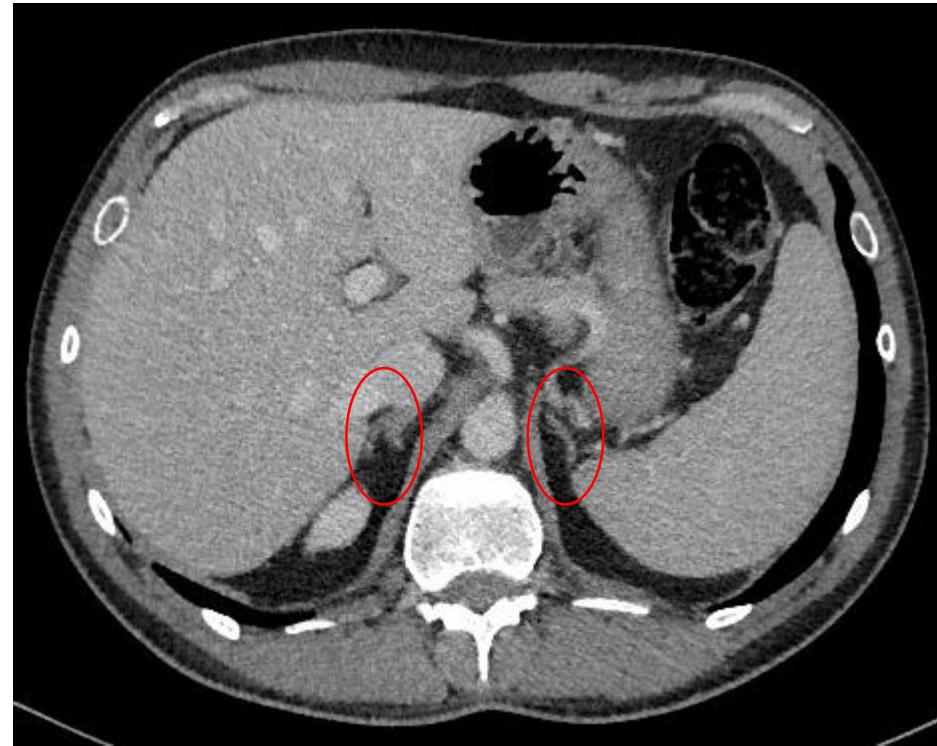
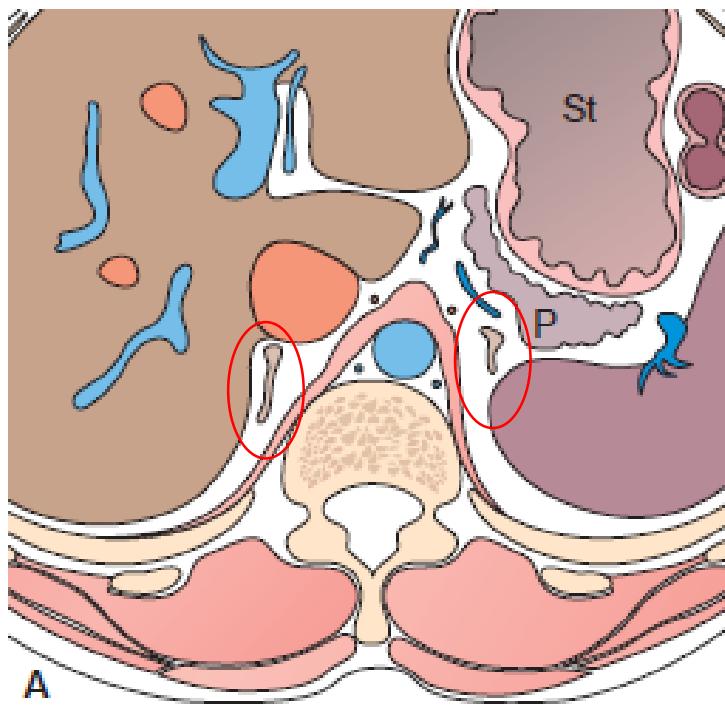
LADA

Fratture vertebrali (D4,D5,D10) traumatiche.

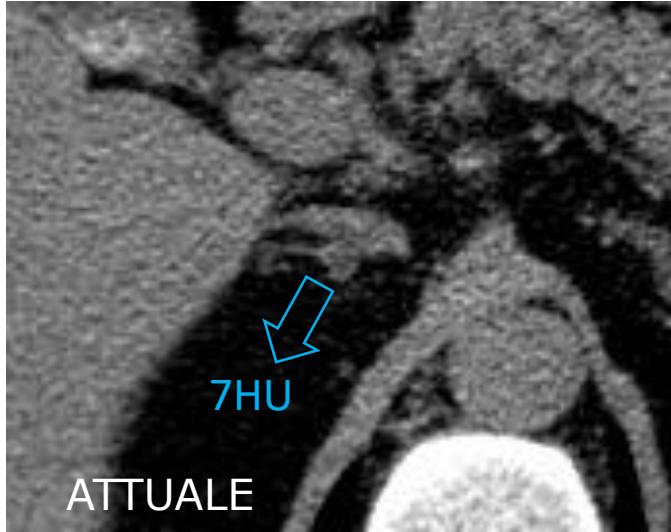
Table 1

Categories of patients where the screening for primary aldosteronism is recommended.

Condition	Description
Severe hypertension	Hypertension stage 3, i.e. systolic blood pressure $\geq 180$ mmHg and/or diastolic blood pressure $\geq 110$ mmHg
* Resistant hypertension	Blood pressure values that remain above goal in spite of concurrent use of three antihypertensive agents of different classes. If tolerated, one of the three agents should be a diuretic, and all agents should be prescribed at maximum recommended (or maximally tolerated) antihypertensive doses. Serum potassium ( $K^+$ ) $< 3.5$ mmol/l in absence of other potential causes of hypokalemia (i.e. gastrointestinal disorders, abuse of licorice, etc.).
Patients with hypertension associated with (permanent or intermittent) spontaneous or diuretic-induced hypokalemia	Hypertension or hypokalemia associated with adrenal incidentaloma Normal potassium levels ( $\geq 3.5$ to $\leq 5.0$ mmol/l) associated with another of the above-mentioned indications for PA screening
Hypertension-mediated organ damage such as microalbuminuria, renal disease, hypertensive retinopathy, left ventricular hypertrophy and diastolic dysfunction, etc.	When hypertension-mediated organ damage and cardiovascular or renal morbidity are more severe than expected from the level and duration of hypertension Hypertension and sleep apnea Hypertension and atrial fibrillation
See 'Comorbidities' section for further explanations.	Hypertension and a family history of early onset hypertension and/or cerebrovascular accident at a young age (<40 years) and of first-degree relatives with primary aldosteronism Newly-presenting patients with hypertension and a high chance of cure with adrenalectomy, as, for example, young, women, with a short duration of hypertension
See 'Comorbidities' section for further explanations.	See 'Testing for familial forms of primary aldosteronism and detection of genetic mutations' for further explanations.



# 1. Definizione natura incidentaloma



TC SENZA MDC  
per valutare densità (HU)

<10HU; < 4 cm

>10HU; > 4 cm

STOP

- TC con mdc (tempi per studio surreni)
- RM (Chemical Shift)
- TC senza mdc a 6-12 mesi (follow-up)
- FDG-PET/TC
- Chirurgia

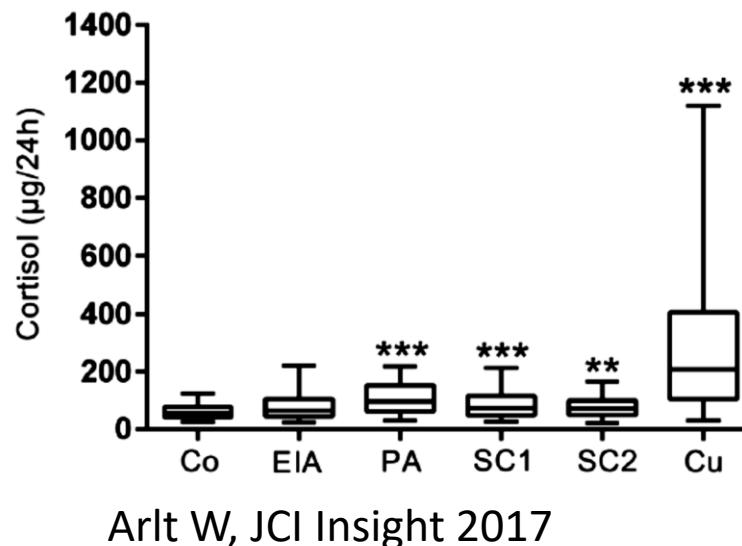
**Extra-adrenal malignancy.** Younger patients with a history of malignancy are more likely to have a metastasis. (...) Nevertheless, adrenal lesions characterized as benign by noncontrast CT require no further imaging FU.

## 2. Test di screening: ARR (e non solo)

Esame	Esito	Valori di riferimento
Aldosterone	26.4 ng/dL	1.5-15
Renina	0.5 uU/mL	2.8-40
ARR	559	< 2.06 ( <b>ARR-App</b> )
Potassio	3.53 mEq/L	3.5-5.10
Cortisolo 1 mg DEX	0.74 ug/dL	<1.8

PRIMA di misurare ARR:

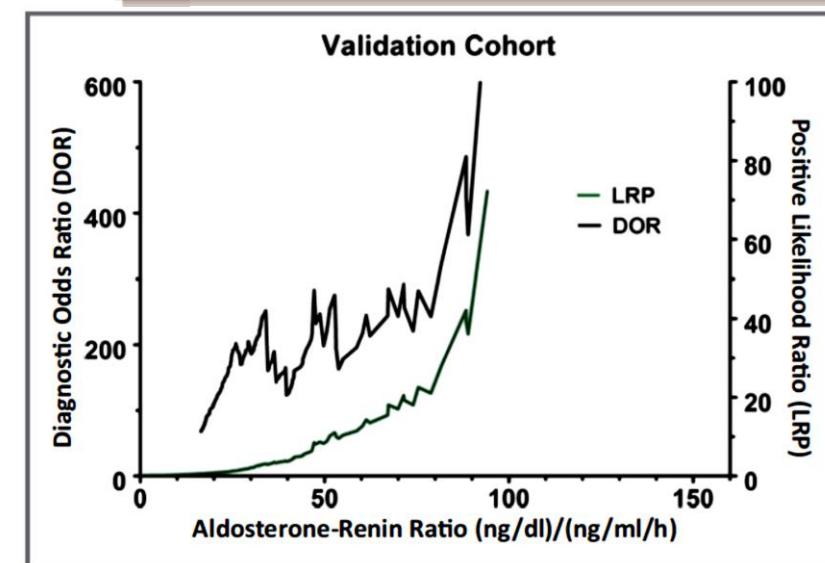
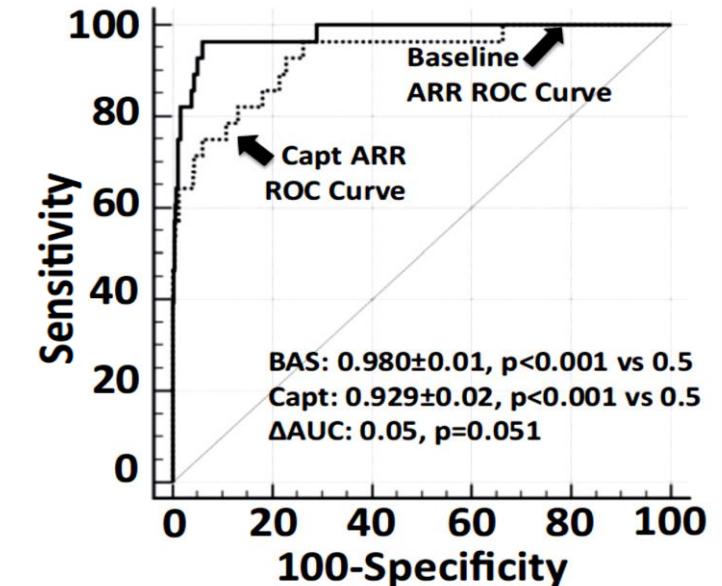
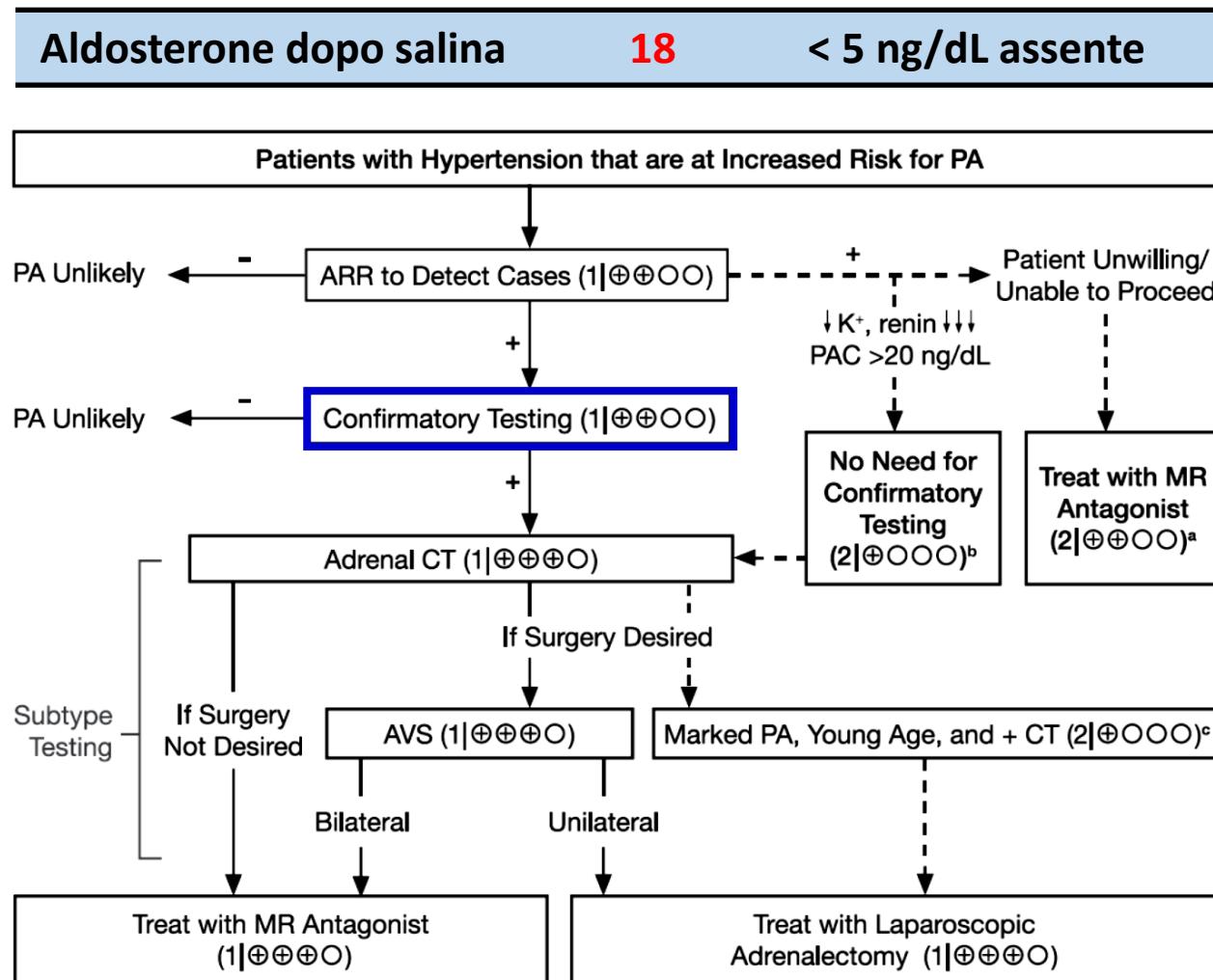
- Correggere ipokaliemia
- Normale intake sodico
- [considerare sodiuria e potassiuria 24h]
- Sospendere blocanti RAAS, diuretici, βblocanti NSAIDs EP per 4 settimane



In patients with adrenal incidentalomas,  
a 1mg DEX <1.2 µg/dl rules out  
postsurgical hypocortisolism  
Eller-Vainicher C, J Endocr Soc 2020

Arlt W, JCI Insight 2017

### 3. Test di conferma iperaldosteronismo primario



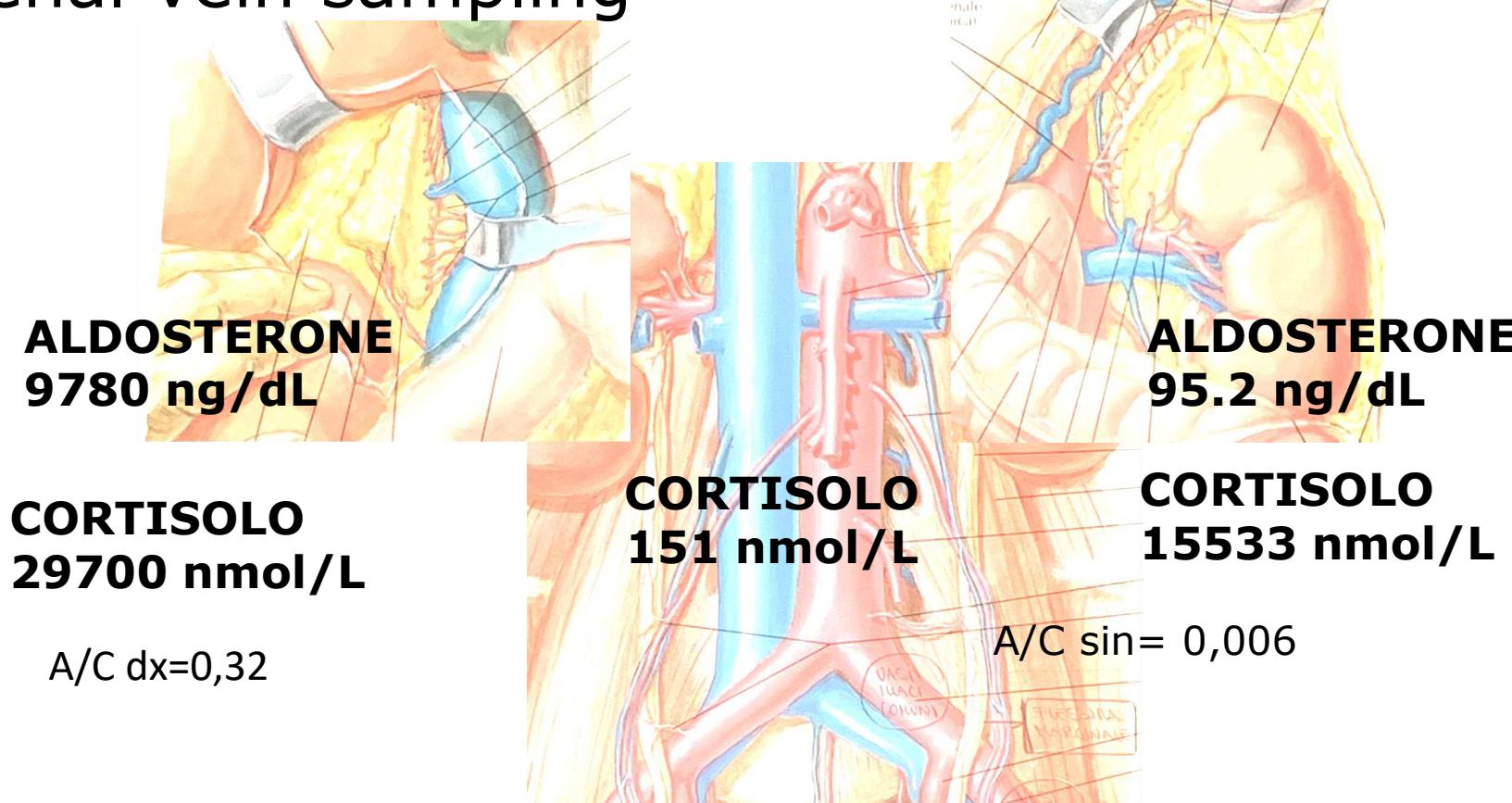
### 3. Adrenal vein sampling

10 good reasons why adrenal vein sampling is the preferred method for referring primary aldosteronism patients for adrenalectomy

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1. **Size of the disorder** – even when an adrenal lump is visible on imaging in many cases the primary aldosteronism is sustained by one, or more, smaller, and CT-invisible nodules not even reaching 5 mm in maximal diameter
2. **Lack of specificity of the adrenal masses**
3. **Safety** AVS is safe, the rate of complications being in the range of 0.5-0.6% (hematomas and adrenal vein rupture)

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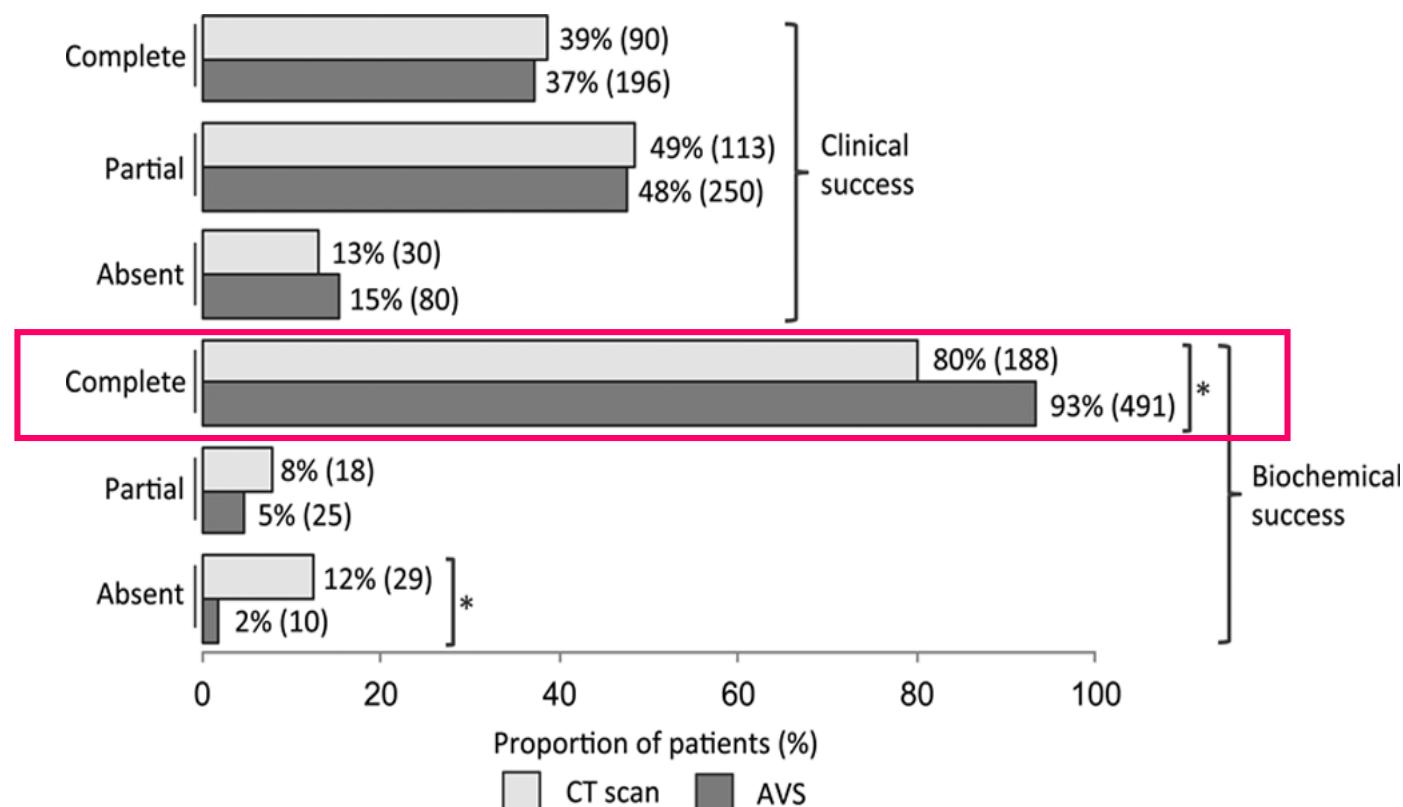


1. **SELECTIVITY INDEX.** ADRENAL VEIN TO PERIPHERAL VEIN CORTISOL RATIO. SI  $\geq 2$  unstimulated  
 $\geq 3$  during cosyntropin stimulation
2. ALDOSTERONE LEVELS are NORMALIZED TO CORTISOL (A/C)
3. **LATERAZLIZATION INDEX** (LI). Each side A/C ratio is divided by the other. LI between 2-4 under unstimulated conditions, and 2.6-4 during cosyntropin stimulation

# Primary Aldosteronism

## Computed Tomography and Adrenal Venous Sampling in the Diagnosis of Unilateral Primary Aldosteronism

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## **SURRENECTOMIA LAPAROSCOPICA**

Descrizione microscopica/Diagnosi. Il quadro morfoistopatologico può essere coerente con quello di una iperplasia adenomatoide della corticale del surrene in sindrome di Conn.

Sodio 139 mEq/L, Potassio 3.9 mEq/L,  
Cortisolo 335 nmol/L con ACTH 43 pg/mL,  
Aldosterone 4.1 ng/dL; Renina 2.5 µUI/mL

PA 120/75 mmHg, ridotto la terapia antipertensiva (triatec 5 mg x 1 e nebivololo 5 mg x 1)