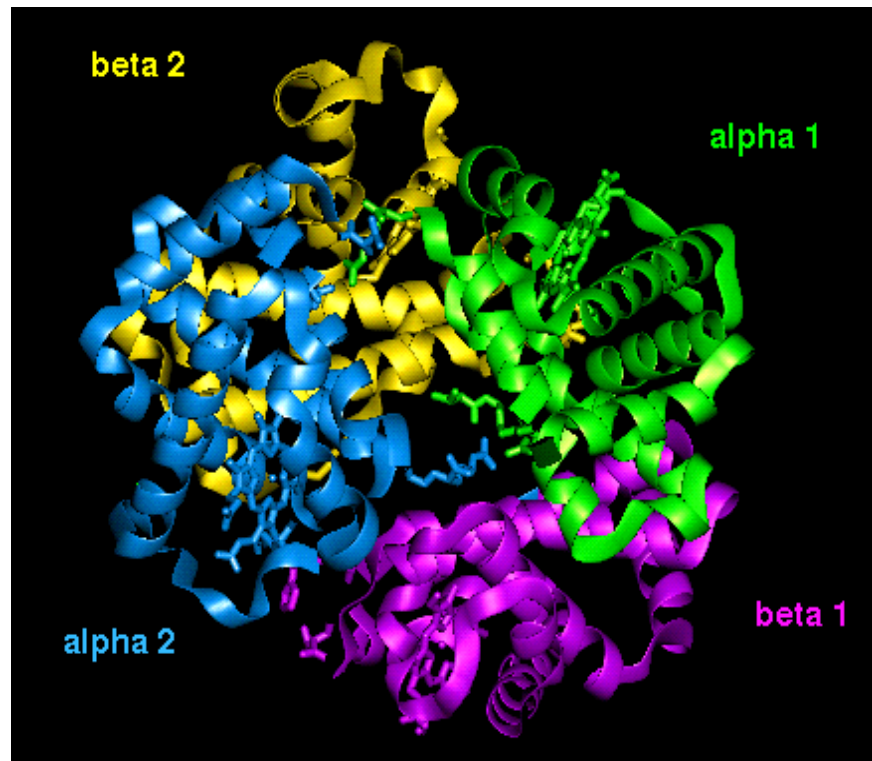


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Emoglobina: proteina deputata a veicolare l'Ossigeno nell'organismo

EMOGLOBINOPATIA

Alterazione ematologica, talvolta associata ad anemia, dovuta ad un difetto congenito di una o più globine, costituenti il tetramero dell'emoglobina

Circa il 7% della popolazione mondiale è portatore di anomalie ereditarie dell'emoglobina, rendendole in assoluto le più comuni malattie monogeniche

**Circa il 10% della popolazione Italiana
è portatrice asintomatica di una
anomalia della Emoglobina**

Sickle cell disease as a paradigm of immigration hematology: new challenges for hematologists in Europe

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The global problem of genetic disease

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Abstract

Inherited haemoglobin disorders will undoubtedly cause an increasing health burden in many developing countries. Although much is known about their molecular pathology and the mechanisms for their phenotypic diversity, many important questions remain, not least the role of the environment in modifying the clinical course. Methods for screening these conditions are now well established and inexpensive and it is vital that they are applied to define the magnitude of the problem that will be posed by these conditions in the future. Similarly, they form the basis for widespread screening and counselling programmes directed at developing prenatal diagnosis expertise where this is not available. Answers to some relatively simple questions about the role of the environment could also make a major difference to the management of the haemoglobin disorders. There is a major case for the development of regional networks to apply such technology as has been developed for the control and prevention of the important haemoglobin disorders, particularly in Asian countries.

Public Health Reviews

Inherited haemoglobin disorders: an increasing global health problem

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Public health reviews

Global epidemiology of haemoglobin disorders and derived service indicators

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Abstract To demonstrate a method for using genetic epidemiological data to assess the needs for equitable and cost-effective services for the treatment and prevention of haemoglobin disorders. We obtained data on demographics and prevalence of gene variants responsible for haemoglobin disorders from online databases, reference resources, and published articles. A global epidemiological database for haemoglobin disorders by country was established, including five practical service indicators to express the needs for care (indicator 1) and prevention (indicators 2–5).

Haemoglobin disorders present a significant health problem in 71% of 229 countries, and these 71% of countries include 89% of all births worldwide. Over 330 000 affected infants are born annually (83% sickle cell disorders, 17% thalassaemias). Haemoglobin disorders account for about 3.4% of deaths in children less than 5 years of age. Globally, around 7% of pregnant women carry β or α zero thalassaemia, or haemoglobin S, C, D Punjab or E, and over 1% of couples are at risk. Carriers and at-risk couples should be informed of their risk and the options for reducing it. Screening for haemoglobin disorders should form part of basic health services in most countries.

Bulletin of the World Health Organization 2008;86:480–487.

Abstract Despite major advances in our understanding of the molecular pathology, pathophysiology, and control and management of the inherited disorders of haemoglobin, thousands of infants and children with these diseases are dying through lack of appropriate medical care. This problem will undoubtedly increase over the next 20 years because, as the result of a reduction in childhood mortality due to infection and malnutrition, more babies with haemoglobin disorders will survive to present for treatment. Although WHO and various voluntary agencies have tried to disseminate information about these diseases, they are rarely mentioned as being sufficiently important to be included in setting health care priorities for the future. It takes considerable time to establish expertise in developing programmes for the control and management of these conditions, and the lessons learned in developed countries will need to be transmitted to those countries in which they occur at a high frequency.

Keywords Hemoglobinopathies/mortality/therapy/epidemiology; Anemia, Sickle cell/mortality/therapy/epidemiology; Thalassaemia/mortality/therapy/epidemiology; Malaria/complications/blood; Genetic techniques; Child; Cost of illness; Forecasting (source: MeSH).

Mots clés Hémoglobinopathie/mortalité/thérapeutique/épidémiologie; Anémie cellule falciforme/mortalité/thérapeutique/épidémiologie; Thalassémie/mortalité/thérapeutique/épidémiologie; Paludisme/complication/sang; Technique génétique; Enfant; Coût maladie; Prévision (source: INSERM).

Palabras clave Hemoglobinopatías/mortalidad/terapia/epidemiología; Anemia de células falciformes/mortalidad/terapia/epidemiología; Talasemia/mortalidad/terapia/epidemiología; Paludismo/complicaciones/sangre; Técnicas genéticas; Niño; Costo de la enfermedad; Predicción (fuente: BIREME).

Bulletin of the World Health Organization, 2001, 79: 704–712.

**Emoglobinopatie da difetto di
produzione: Sindromi Talassemiche**

**Emoglobinopatie da difetto
strutturale: Sindromi Falcemiche**

**Ogni anno nel mondo nascono
300.000 bambini affetti da
Emoglobinopatie**

Classificazione clinica

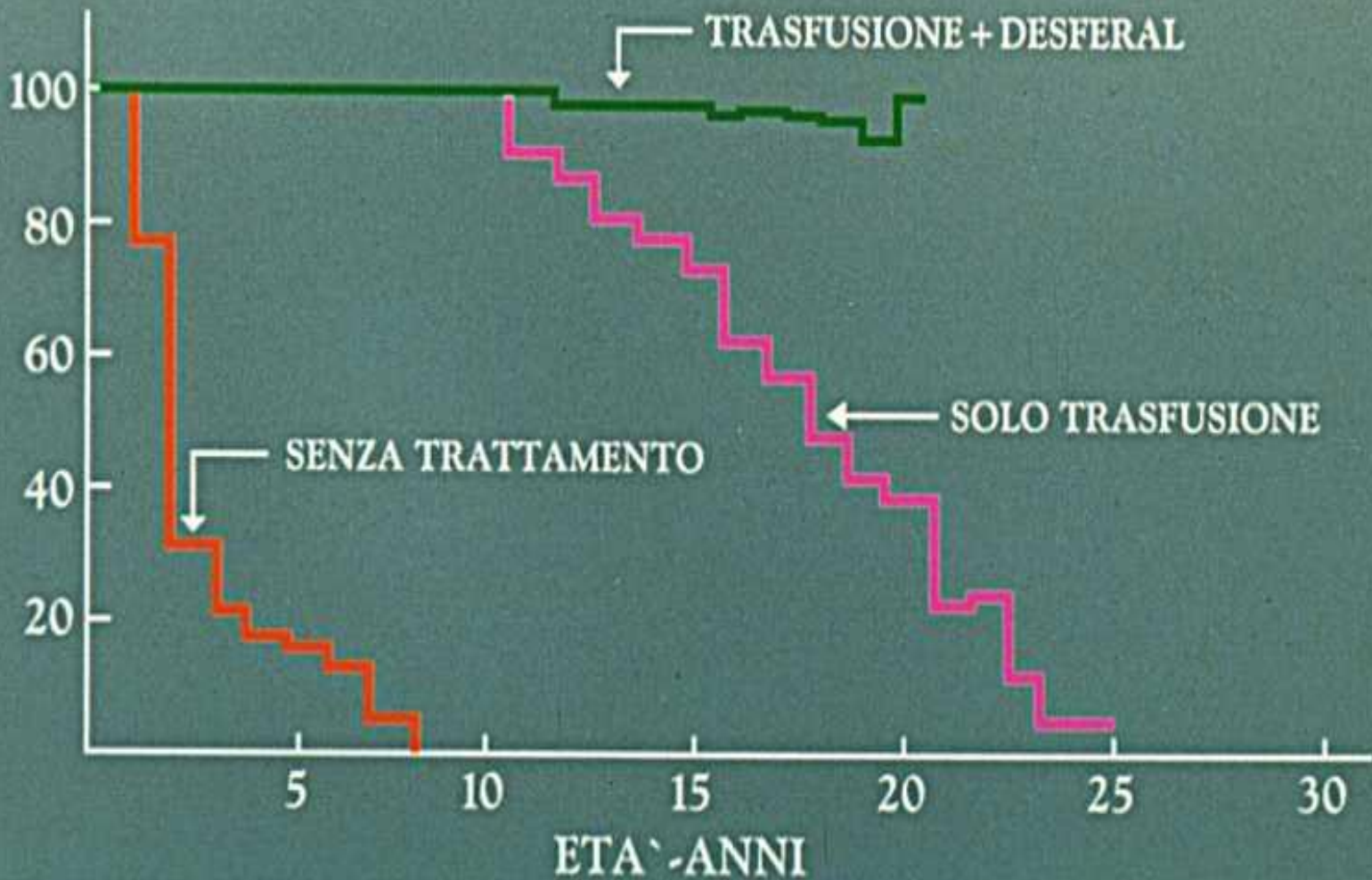
- **Portatore sano**
- **Talassemia major (Trasfusione Dipendente)**
- **Talassemia intermedia**
- **Anemia Falciforme**

Thalassemia Major

La Thalassemia Major e' una grave forma di anemia congenita che richiede per la sopravvivenza regolari trasfusioni di globuli rossi. (circa 250.000 unità si sangue anno)



PERCENTUALE DI SOPRAVVIVENZA



Thalassemia Major: prognosi attuale e regime terapeutico

**Quando possibile il trapianto di midollo:
buona possibilità di Guarigione definitiva**

Terapia convezionale:

**Prognosi aperta: senza limiti e
con buona qualità di vita**

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Centro Specialistico Approccio Globale

Cura del paziente talassemico

Transfusione

Chelazione

Follow up

Presca in carico psico-sociale

Screening e consulenza ai portatori

Diagnosi Prenatale

Formazione e Ricerca

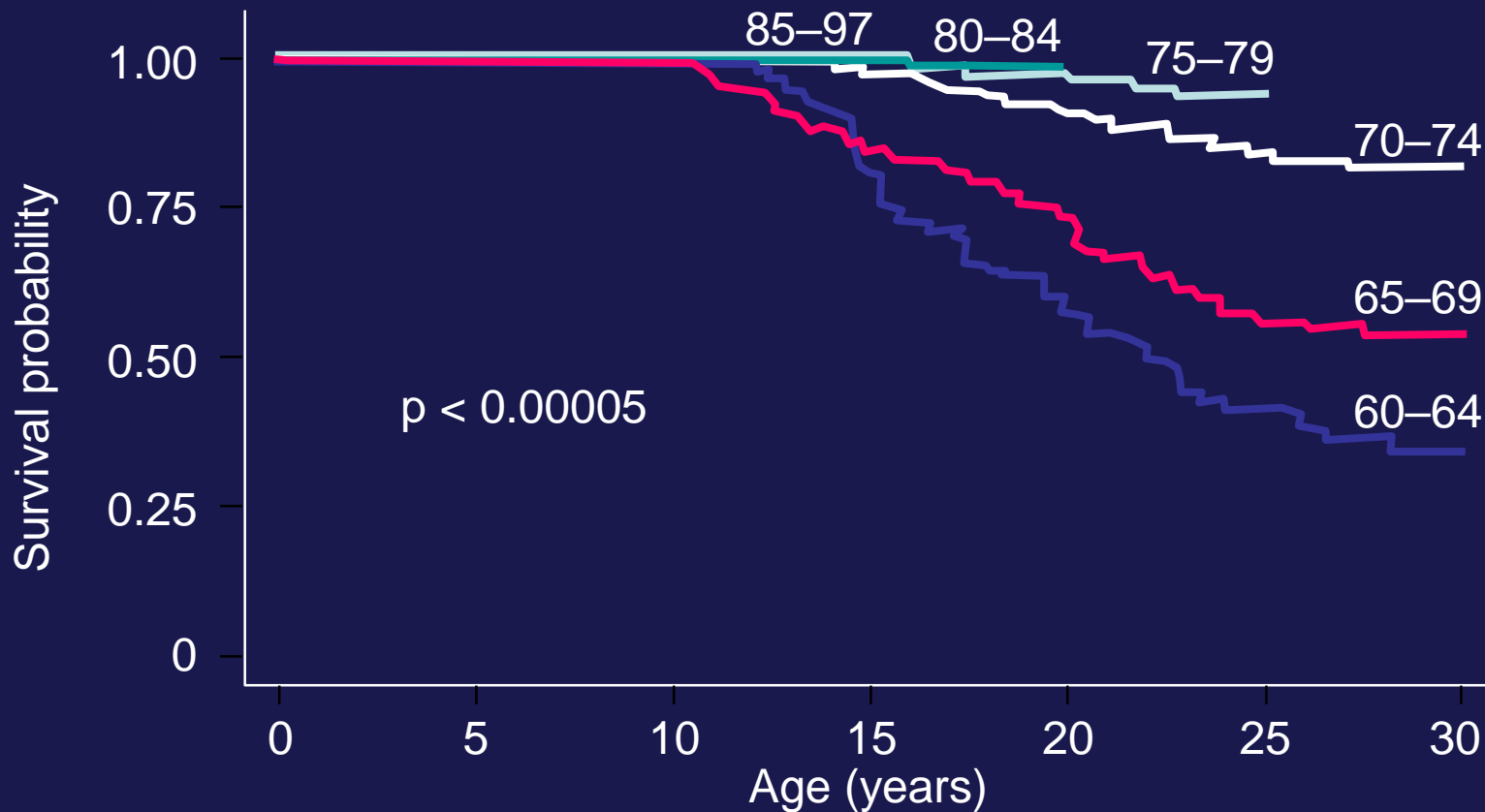
Multidisciplinary Team



Specialized center

**Blood Bank
Cardiologist
Endocrinologist
Diabetologist
Hepatologist
Radiologist
Transplantation Team
Gynecologist
General Surgeon
Oculist
Nephrologist
Psychologist**

Miglioramento della sopravvivenza per coorte di nascita





Falcemia

La Falcemia é una anomalia qualitativa congenita dell'emoglobina a causa della quale i globuli rossi possono prendere la forma di una falce ed accumularsi fino a produrre blocchi della circolazione che causano crisi dolorose ed altre possibili conseguenze gravi sia sulla qualità che sull'attesa di vita.

**Queste crisi possono essere scatenate da condizioni di bassa tensione di ossigeno o forti stress e sono
Tempo Dipendenti**

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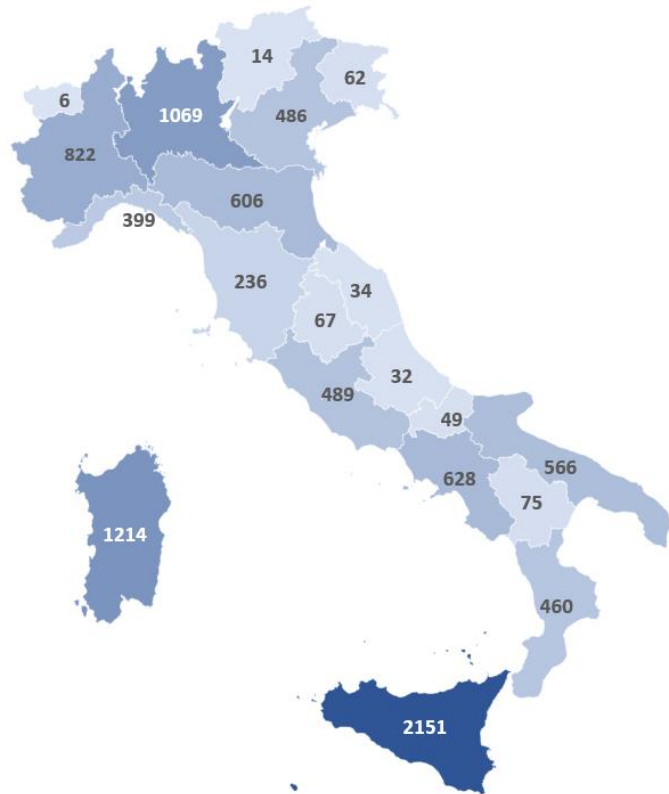
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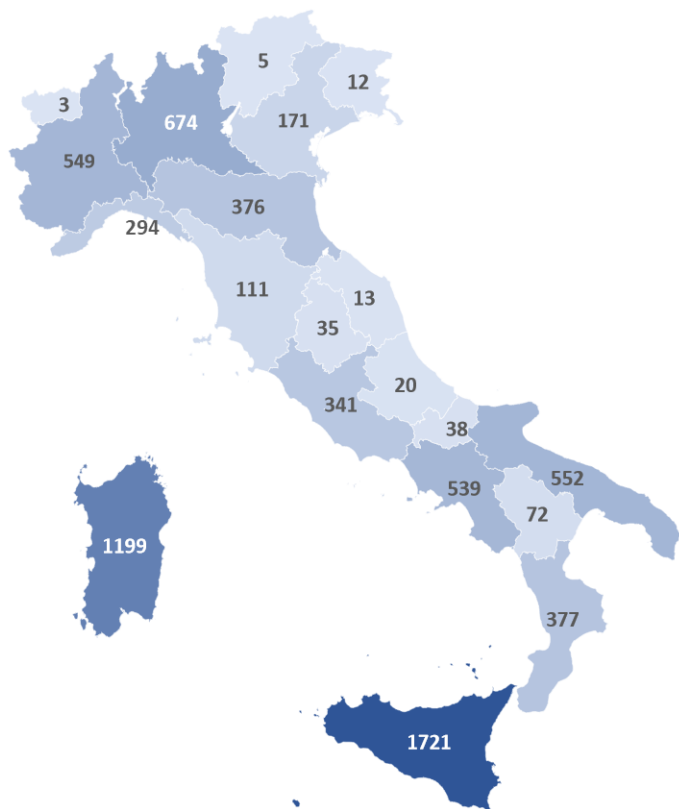
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Distribuzione Regionale dei pazienti con Emoglobinopatie

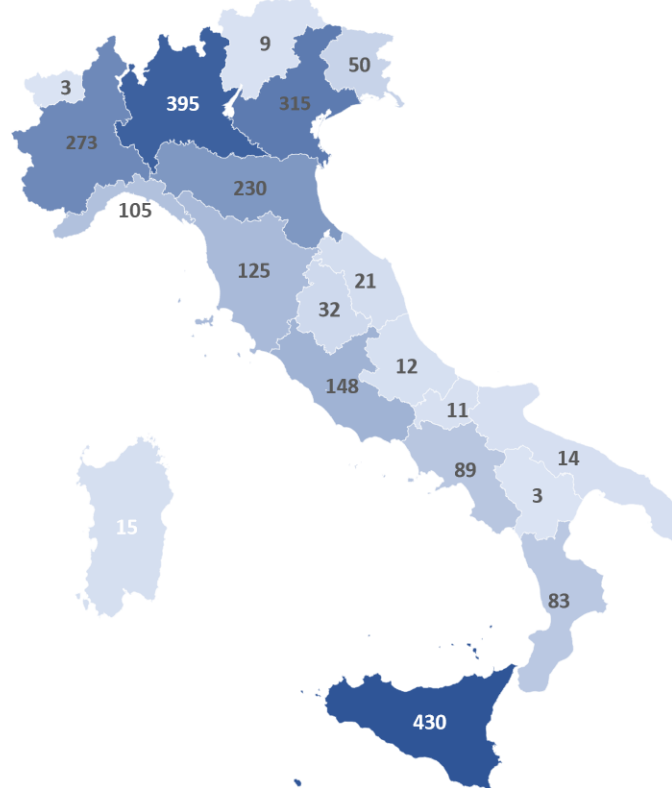


Regions	TDT	NTD T	SCD	Total
Abruzzo	8	12	12	32
Basilicata	72	0	3	75
Calabria	317	60	83	460
Campania	310	229	89	628
Emilia-Romagna	329	47	230	606
Friuli-Venezia-Giulia	9	3	50	62
Lazio	273	68	148	489
Liguria	164	130	105	399
Lombardia	381	293	395	1069
Marche	12	1	21	34
Molise	17	21	11	49
Piemonte	335	214	273	822
Puglia	488	64	14	566
Sardegna	827	372	15	1214
Sicilia	1340	381	430	2151
Toscana	94	17	125	236
Trentino Alto Adige	4	1	9	14
Umbria	21	14	32	67
Valle d'Aosta	3	0	3	6
Veneto	137	34	315	486
Total	5141	1961	2280	9465

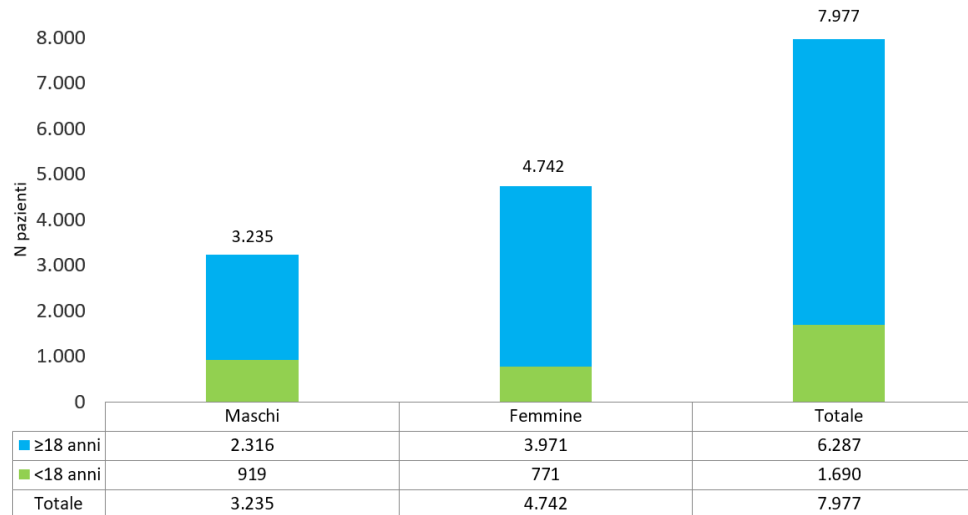
THALASSEMIA



SICKLE CELL DISEASE



Pazienti stimati con FALCEMIA in Italia nel 2018 (dati proiettati sulla popolazione nazionale)



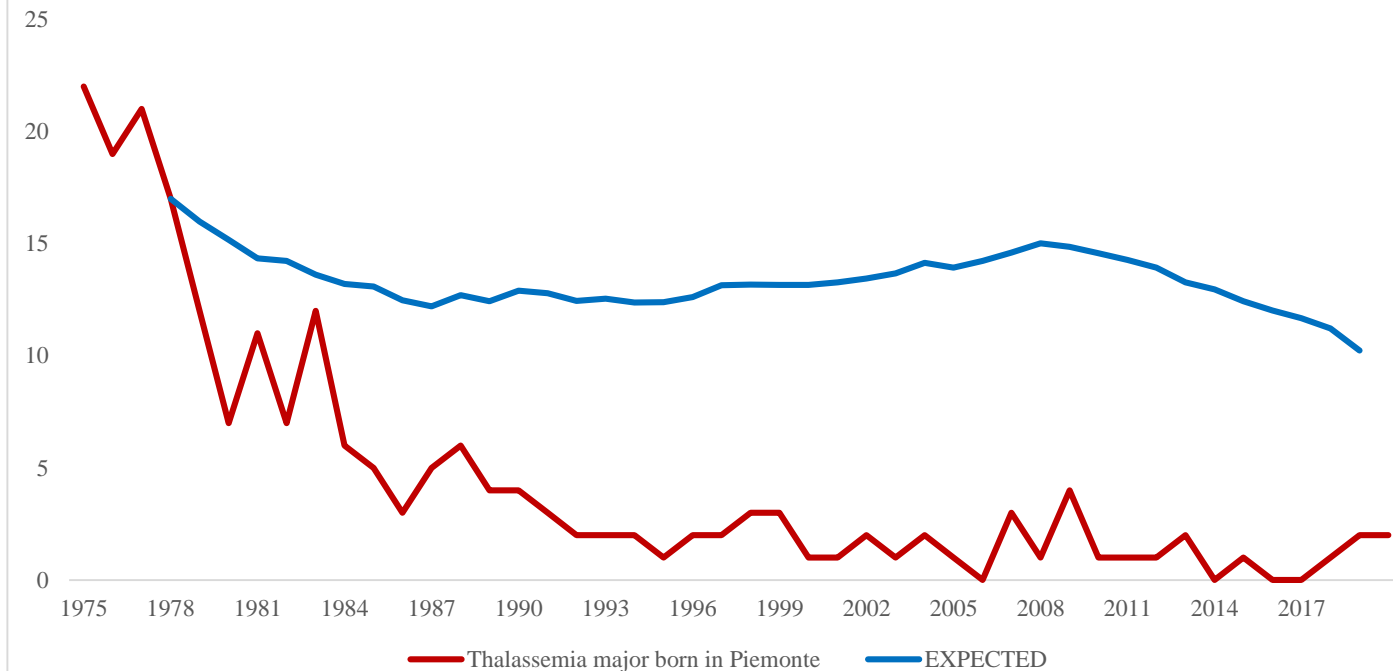
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L'IMPATTO EPIDEMIOLOGICO DELL'ANEMIA FALCIFORME IN ITALIA: EVIDENZE DALLO STUDIO GREATALYS (GENERATING REAL WORLD EVIDENCE ACROSS ITALY IN SCD)

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Reduction of Birth Rate for **Thalassemia** in Piemonte since the Application of Screening and Prenatal Diagnosis (1978) (updated on Aug 02, 2017)



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ISTITUZIONE DEL CENTRO DI MEDICINA SOCIALE PER LA PROFILASSI, LA
DIAGNOSI E LA CURA DELLE TALASSIEMIE, DEL MORDO DI COOLEY E DELL'
L'ANEMIA MICROSPEROOCITOSICA -

Distribuzione dei centri per la cura delle TALASSEMIE e delle ANEMIE FALCIFORMI

Ricerca centri di diagnosi e cura

Malattia rara	RDG010
Centro di diagnosi e cura	Anemia a cellule falciformi
Regione	Anemia di Blackfan-Diamond
Provincia	Anemia di Fanconi
Città	ANEMIE EREDITARIE (ESCLUSO: DEFICIT DI GLUCOSIO-6-FOSFATO DEIDROGENASI)
	ANEMIE SIDEROBLASTICHE
	Metaemoglobinemia da deficit di metaemoglobina reductasi
	Sferocitosi ereditaria
	TALASSEMIE (ESCLUSO: TALASSEMIE MINORI)



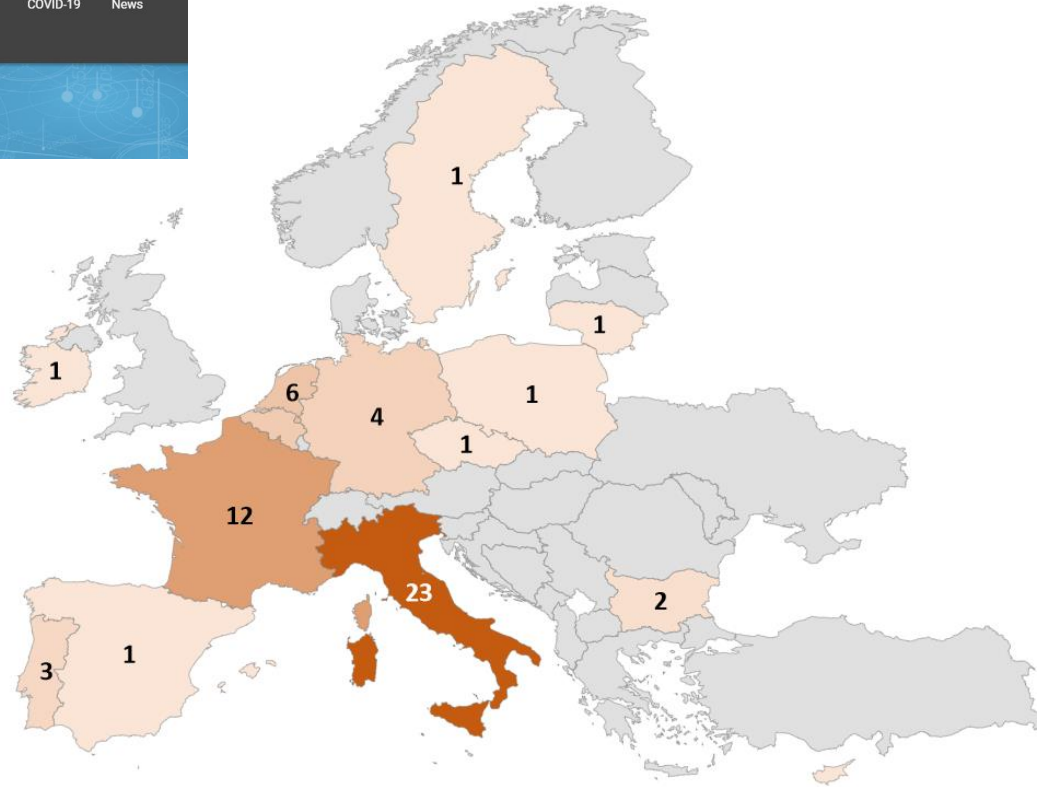
Survey SITE

<https://centri.site.italia.org>

- 131 hanno risposto al censimento
- 46 non compaiono come centri afferenti alla rete delle malattie rare – circa 1500 pazienti seguiti in questi centri

Members and representatives

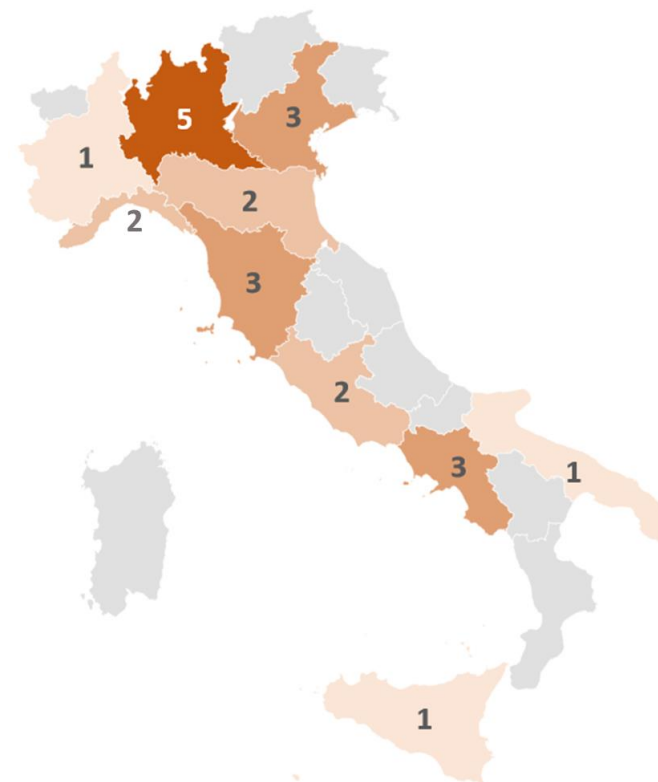
Stato	Numero di Centri ERN
Italia	23
Francia	12
Paesi Bassi	6
Belgio	5
Germania	4
Portogallo	3
Bulgaria	2
Cipro	1
Irlanda	1
Lituania	1
Polonia	1
Spagna	1
Svezia	1
Repubblica Ceca	1
Totale	62



23/62 (37%) centri ERN sono Italiani

Distribuzione dei centri ERN EuroBloodNet in Italia

Regione	Città	N. Centri ERN
Campania	Napoli	3
Lazio	Roma	2
Liguria	Genova	2
Lombardia	Bergamo	1
Lombardia	Milano	2
Lombardia	Monza	1
Lombardia	Pavia	1
Piemonte	Torino	1
Puglia	Bari	1
Emilia Romagna	Modena	1
Emilia Romagna	Ferrara	1
Sicilia	Palermo	1
Toscana	Firenze	1
Toscana	Pisa	1
Toscana	Siena	1
Veneto	Padova	1
Veneto	Verona	1
Veneto	Vicenza	1
Totale		23



Il 70% (16/23) dei centri ERN Italiani sono specializzati nel trattamento delle emoglobinopatie

Prospettive alla luce dei nuovi approcci terapeutici

Riduzione o eliminazione della necessità trasfusionale

Il paziente talassemico adulto/anziano tale rimarrà anche se potrà accedere a queste terapie

Nuovi approcci terapeutici

Stimolatori della Eritropoiesi (1 Farmaco approvato EMA)

Terapia Genica (1 Farmaco approvato EMA)

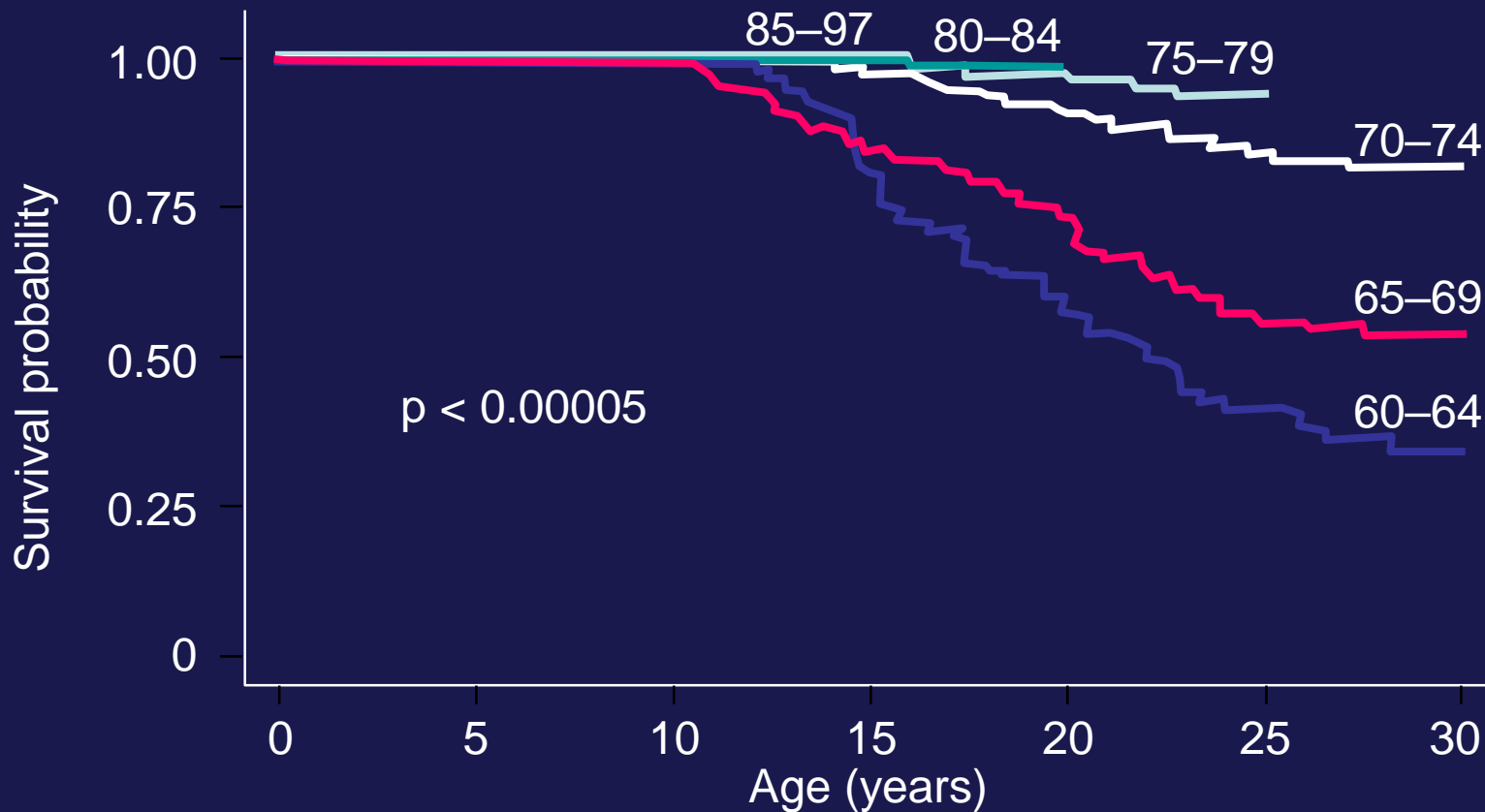
Chi le prescriverà?

Selecting β -thalassemia Patients for Gene Therapy: A Decision-making Algorithm

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Miglioramento della sopravvivenza per coorte di nascita



The influence of treatment in specialized centers on survival of patients with thalassemia major

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