COMBAT-VT:

Digital Twin to Predict Ventricular Tachycardias using Hybrid Modelling

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CLINICAL BACKGROUND

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Post-myocardial infarct patients have an increased risk for scar-based ventricular tachycardia (VT), an abnormal heart rhythm, which may lead to sudden cardiac death (SCD). An implanted cardioverter defibrillators (ICD) can help prevent SCD. However, the current indicator for this treatment based on left ventricular ejection fraction (LVEF) proves to be insufficient in identifying patients with a high risk of SCD.[1]

AIM

To develop a **Digital Twin** to ultimately **predict VT development** as early as possible and guide decision support by creating a **hybrid model** based on existing **physical models** and **data models** capturing **time evolution**.

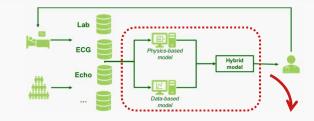
DIGITAL TWIN

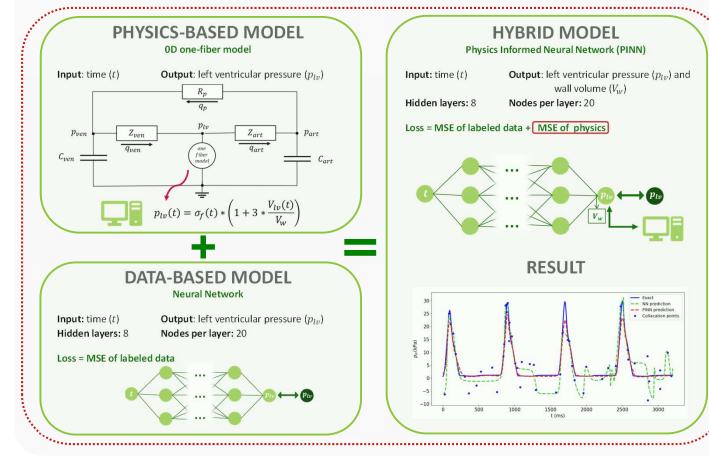
A Health Digital twin is a predictive computer model (data plus algorithms) which dynamically pairs the physical and digital worlds to represent (part of) a patient. It is continuously updated with new data.

The VT Digital Twin combines different data types (e.g., lab, ECG, echo, vital functions) and data-based and physics-based models in a hybrid way.









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