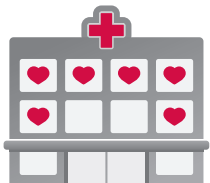


Cost burden



HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS
caused by atrial fibrillation

↑ 60%
in the last 20 years

Friberg J, Buch P, Scharling H, *et al.* Rising rates of hospital admissions for atrial fibrillation. *Epidemiology* 2003;14:666-72