Translation Potential

Medical Application

Target Group

NYHA Classification Scheme Class I Class II Class III Class IV 47,5% of total amount of 227.000 patients

NYHA Class III and IV heart failure patients have the most severe kindof heart failure.

Current Treatment

- Patients are monitored by the cardiology department of hospitals, by being called every two weeks.
- If health status seems to be deteriorated, an ECG and blood withdrawal are performed.
 The drawn blood is processed in high throughput machines in hospital laboratories to measure the NT-proBNP concentration.

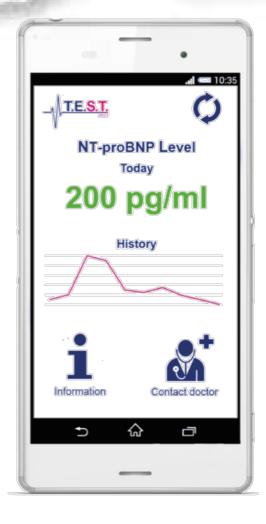
Results Survey

82 respondents

- 91,5% experiences a fingerstick as not bothersome
 - 83% wants to receive information about their current health status
 - 58,8% wants to share data with researchers

Envisioned Treatment

- At home, the patient measures the NTproBNP concentration and other variables.
- Data can be tracked via an app and compared with earlier measurements.
 The cardiologist receives a notification when the health status deteriorates.



Industrialization And Commercialization

Cartridge € 0,33

Antibodies

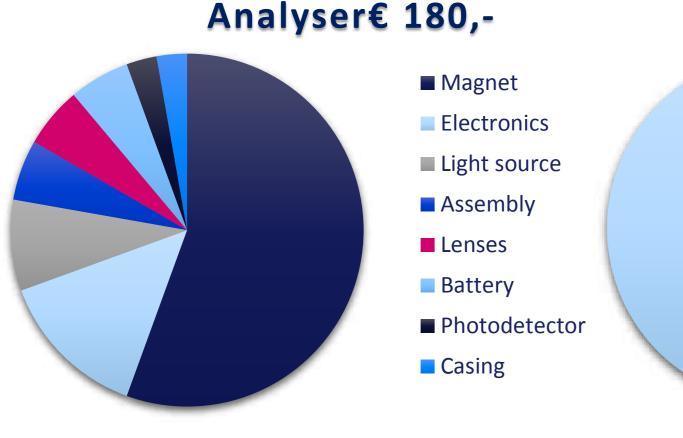
process

Blocking agents

Hydrophilization

Production Costs

Selling price: €500,-



Selling price: €1,-

Production costs are tripled on the advise of sensor manufacturers to arrive at the selling prices.



Technology Readiness (EARTO)

Competitor Analysis

	Existing sensors	Our Sensor
Price Analyser	€ 1.500 - € 10.000	€ 500
Price Cartridge	€ 15 - € 40	€1

■ Functionalisation NT-proBNP test in clinical laboratory: €14,68

The device is far less expensive than its competitors and therefore suitable for home sensing.

Saving Potential

In the Netherlands, every year:



- Current hospitalization costs
 30.000 x € 15.000 = €450 million
- Costs monitoring of NYHA III and IV patients
 100.000 X € 1.000,- = €100 million
- Targeted prevention of hospitalizations
 50 %
- Investing 100 million euros will save 350 million euros

