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ColoRectal Cancer Screening Program by Immunochemical Faecal Occult Blood Test (iFOBT) in the Local Health Unit of Avellino



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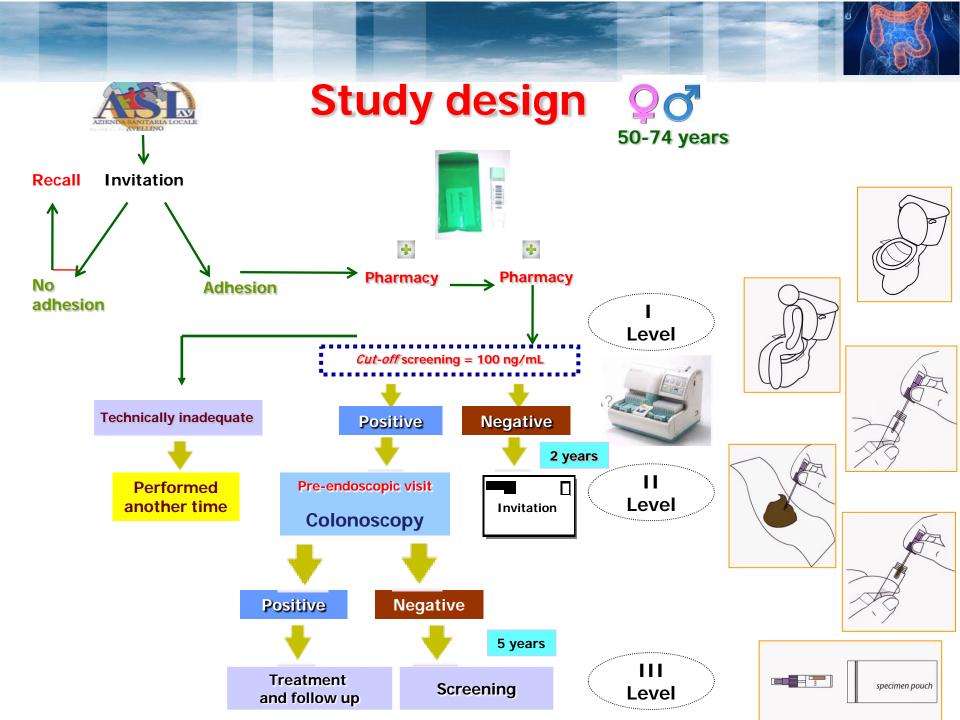


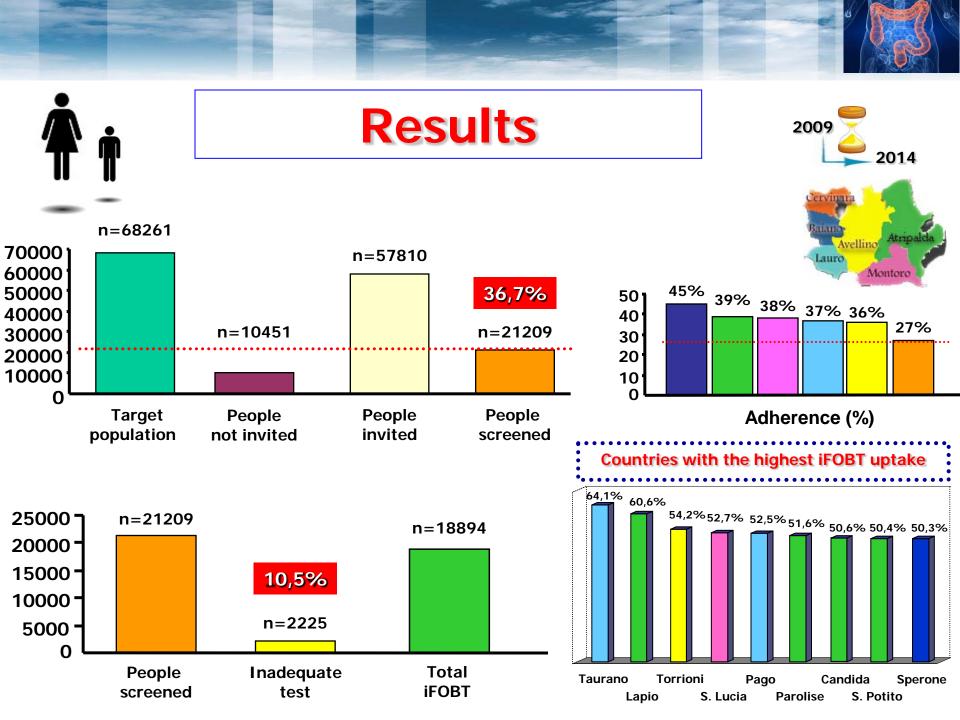


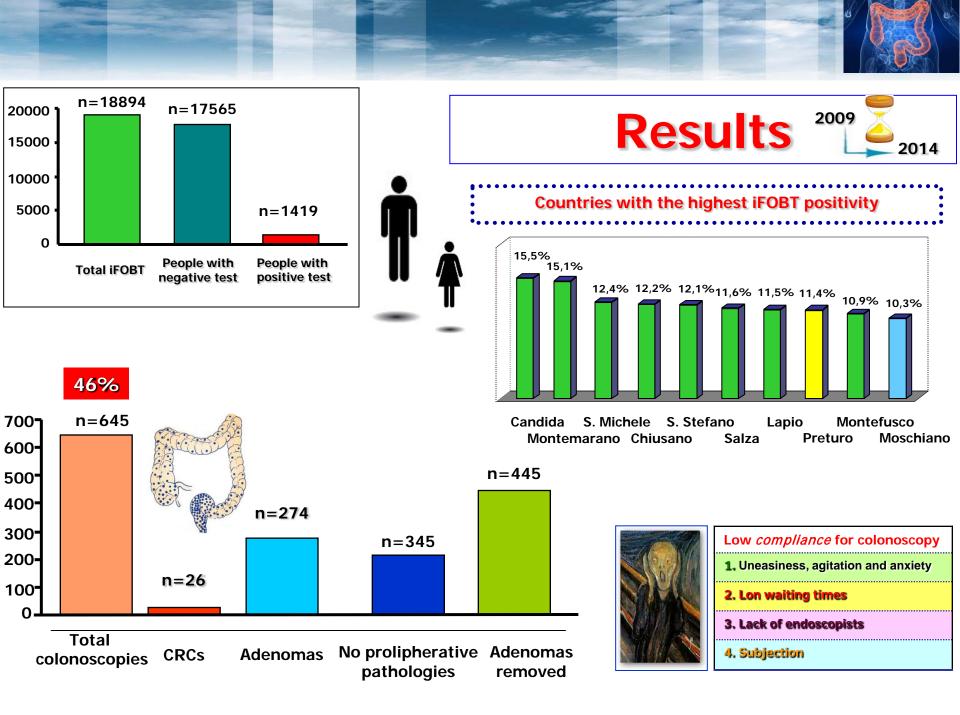












## Conclusions

"Don't entrust the fate, check your intestine !!!"

- The slow course of growth from precancerous polyp to invasive cancer provides a unique opportunity for the prevention and early detection of colorectal cancer.
- Screening can prevent cancer through the detection and removal of polyps, as well as detect cancer at an early stage, when treatment is more successful.
- On April 2009, a screening program using i-FOBT and colonoscopy for test-positives is implemented in the Local Health Unit of Avellino.
- In these years, 26 new cases of CRC are been diagnosed.
- 148 advanced adenomas are found and removed before they become invasive cancers.
- Data from this experience supported the effectiveness of biennial colorectal screening programme by i-FOBT in reducing mortality from colorectal cancer in the target population.