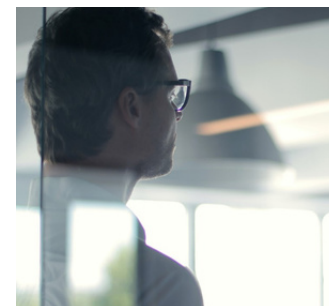




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A crowdsourcing research conducted by G-Med

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As technology continues to advance, smartwatches are becoming an increasingly popular tool for health monitoring. We will explore physicians' views on the use of smartwatches for health monitoring, as well as the potential benefits and concerns associated with these devices.



While smartwatches offer a convenient way to monitor heart health, it's important to evaluate their accuracy and efficacy before recommending them to patients

Physician, Cardiology, Austria



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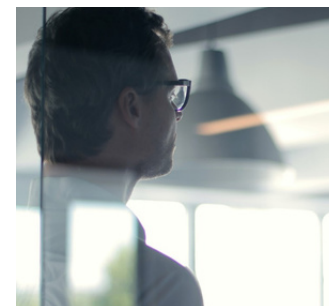


Smartwatches with ECG features can be a valuable tool, but its important to remember that they are not a substitute for proper medical evaluation

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Upon analyzing physicians' comments on this topic, it becomes evident that the majority of physicians would recommend smartwatches to their patients. They recognize that these devices offer a convenient way to monitor heart health. However, they also acknowledge the importance of assessing the accuracy and efficacy of such devices before recommending them. False positives are a significant concern, as they can cause undue anxiety and unnecessary medical interventions or treatments. "False positives can be a significant concern with ECG smartwatches, and we need to evaluate these devices carefully before recommending them to patients," says an internal medicine physician on G-Med from Spain.

Despite these concerns, smartwatches offer several potential benefits for patients and physicians, including convenience and non-invasiveness. Smartwatches can provide a wealth of data on heart function, potentially leading to earlier diagnosis and treatment, particularly in cases where it is difficult to diagnose patients by using traditional methods. "I see great potential in the use of smartwatches as a non-invasive tool for monitoring heart function and detecting early signs of cardiac abnormalities" says a Canadian Cardiologist.

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Of physicians would recommend a smartwatch with ECG features to their patients

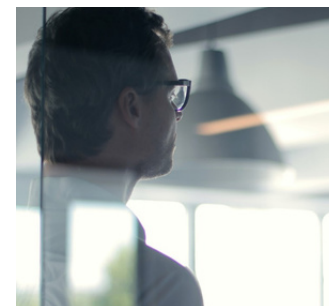


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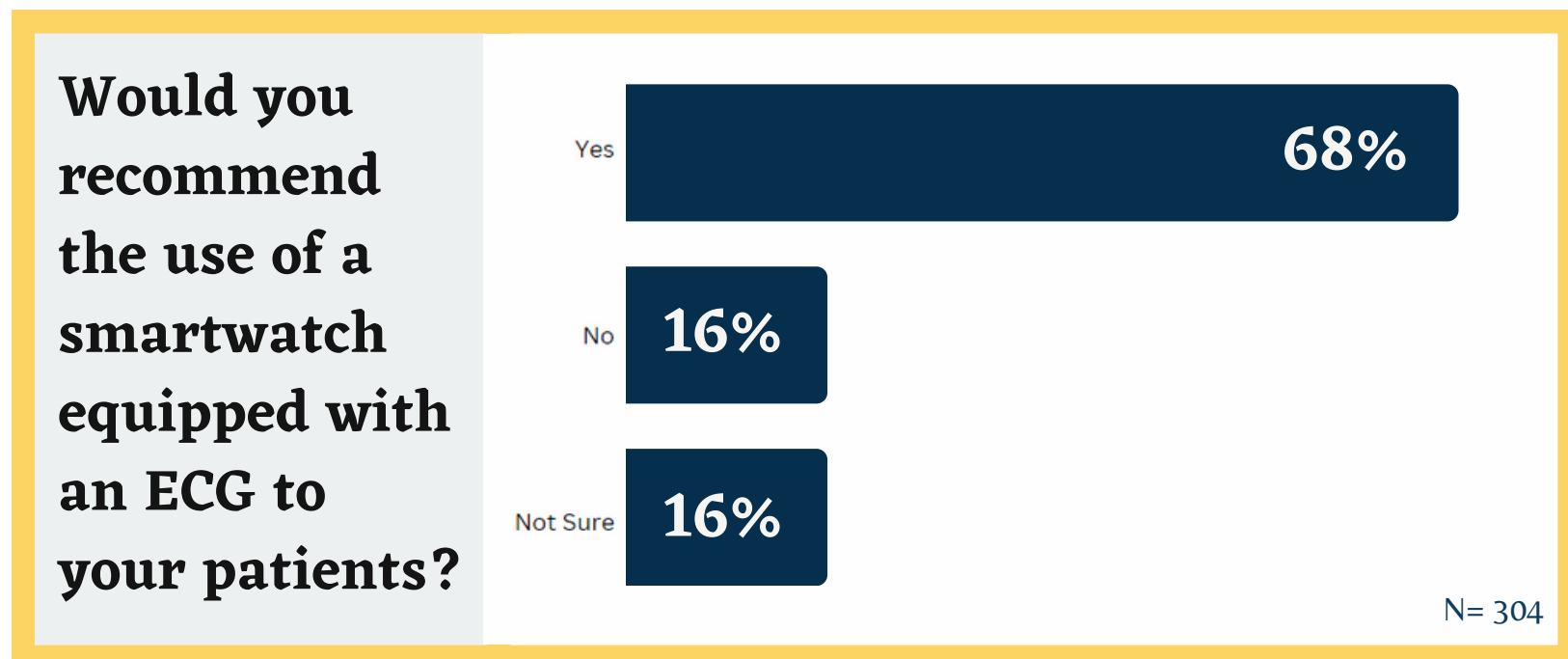
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In addition, a poll was conducted on the platform with the question, "Would you recommend the use of a smartwatch equipped with an ECG feature to your patients for health monitoring purposes?" The poll results suggest that a majority of the surveyed physicians (68%) would be inclined to recommend the use of a smartwatch equipped with an ECG feature to their patients. Conversely, 16% of the respondents expressed reluctance to make such recommendations, and the same percentage of participants remained uncertain about endorsing it.



To summarize, further research and evaluation will be necessary to ensure the appropriate integration of smartwatches into clinical practice. An Italian GP further emphasized this by stating, "To maximize the benefits of ECG smartwatches, we must carefully consider the individual needs and circumstances of each patient. While smartwatches offer several potential benefits, such as convenience and non-invasiveness, they may not be suitable for all patients. Therefore, we need to evaluate these devices before recommending them to our patients. Continued research and evaluation will be necessary to ensure the proper integration of these devices into clinical practice."



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