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Dear Colleagues,

Atrial Fibrillation (AF) is the most common cardiac arrhythmia and is responsible for increased stroke risk, heart failure and all-cause mortality. Catheter ablation of AF has emerged as the most efficacious treatment to maintain sinus rhythm and has to be considered in symptomatic patients, certainly after AF recurrence despite antiarrhythmic medication. This is particularly the case for Pulmonary Vein Isolation, which remains the gold standard for any AF procedure and which has been shown to be much more efficient and durable than before. This also seems to be the case for ablation outside PV isolation, which is sometimes necessary to potentially improve the outcome of some patients presenting with persistent AF or left-sided flutters.

This special issue will discuss the different aspects of the actual results and expectations from AF ablation and the potential improvements for the future.

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