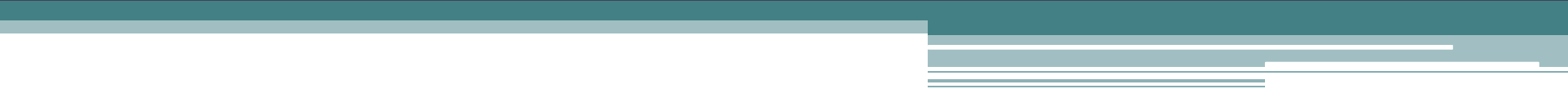


# LIPITENSION

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# Introduction

- Cardiovascular diseases (CVDs) are a leading cause of death globally.
- Hypertension and Dyslipidemia are among the most important primary risk factors

# Hypertension and Dyslipidemia

- Hypertension is associated with an upregulation of lipid oxidation enzymes
- LDL, especially oxidized LDL, is a major cause of endothelial dysfunction
- The coexistence of dyslipidemic hypertension has been termed as 'LIPITENSION'
- For the ease of active identification, diagnosis, and management of these two risk factors together, as global CV risk factors
- Lipitension contributes to atherosclerosis and the resultant vascular risk

# Lipitension

- Dyslipidemia and hypertension are classical constituents of the metabolic syndrome
- The co-existence of the two risk factors has more than an additive adverse impact on the vascular endothelium, which results in enhanced atherosclerosis, leading to CVD

# Dyslipidemia and hypertension

- Dyslipidemia and hypertension damage the endothelium,
  - triggering cell proliferation,
  - vascular remodelling, apoptosis, and increased cellular permeability
  - create a vicious cocktail of pathophysiological factors

## Clinical Identification of the Metabolic Syndrome – Any 3 of the Following:

| Risk Factor        | Defining Level                   |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|
| Abdominal obesity* | Waist circumference <sup>†</sup> |
| Men                | >102 cm (>40 in)                 |
| Women              | >88 cm (>35 in)                  |
| Triglycerides      | ≥150 mg/dL                       |
| HDL cholesterol    |                                  |
| Men                | <40 mg/dL                        |
| Women              | <50 mg/dL                        |
| Blood pressure     | ≥130/≥85 mmHg                    |
| Fasting glucose    | ≥110 mg/dL                       |

# LIPITENSION

- Familial dyslipidemic hypertension was proposed as a genetic syndrome found in 12% of the patients with essential hypertension 48% of the hypertensive siblings.
- Insulin resistance coexists in up to 50% of the hypertensive individuals

# LIPITENSION

- Studies have consistently indicated that hypertension and hypercholesterolemia frequently coexist, causing what is known as dyslipidemic hypertension
- The term LIPITENSION may help clinicians in easy identification and aggressive management of the two conditions together, ultimately preventing future cardiovascular events

# Prevalence of Lipitension

- Overall prevalence of lipitension, hypertension alone, and hypercholesterolemia alone was 30, 47, and 18%, respectively.
- The prevalence of the co-existence of hypertension and dyslipidemia is in the range of 15–31%.
- The incidence of lipitension was 20% in women versus 16% in men ( $p < 0.05$ )
- The incidence was variable in different age groups with only 1.9% in the 20 – 39 year age group versus an increasing trend of 56% in the aged, > 80 years

# Prevalence: Indian Scenario

- **Chennai Urban Population Study (CUPS study 5):** The highest prevalence of CAD (21.1%) was found in patients with multiple risk factors and these risk factors, in order, were diabetes, dyslipidemia, and hypertension
- Prevalence of the metabolic syndrome in a semi-urban south Indian was 30%.
  - Nearly 80% of these patients had systolic and 57% had diastolic hypertension, the dyslipidemia trend was high TG (38.8%) and low HDL (59%).

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## Coexistence of Hypertension and Related Chronic Conditions

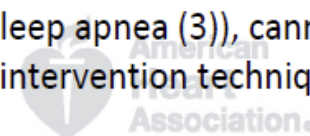
**Table 5. CVD Risk Factors Common in Patients With Hypertension**

| Modifiable Risk Factors*                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Relatively Fixed Risk Factors†                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Current cigarette smoking, secondhand smoking</li><li>• Diabetes mellitus</li><li>• Dyslipidemia/hypercholesterolemia</li><li>• Overweight/obesity</li><li>• Physical inactivity/low fitness</li><li>• Unhealthy diet</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CKD</li><li>• Family history</li><li>• Increased age</li><li>• Low socioeconomic/educational status</li><li>• Male sex</li><li>• Obstructive sleep apnea</li><li>• Psychosocial stress</li></ul> |

\*Factors that can be changed and, if changed, may reduce CVD risk.

†Factors that are difficult to change (CKD, low socioeconomic/educational status, obstructive sleep apnea (3)), cannot be changed (family history, increased age, male sex), or, if changed through the use of current intervention techniques, may not reduce CVD risk (psychosocial stress) (3).

CKD indicates chronic kidney disease; and CVD, cardiovascular disease.



# New blood pressure targets and treatment recommendations

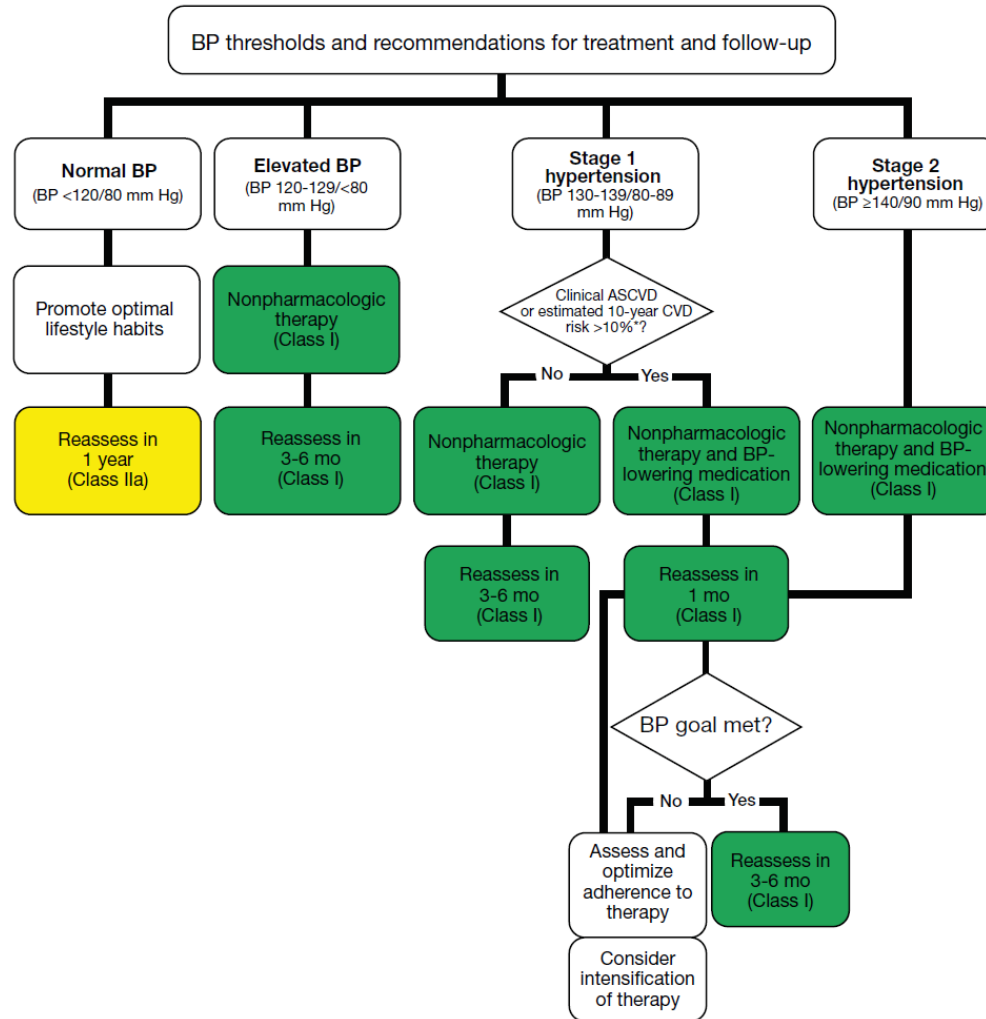
- For years, hypertension was classified as blood pressure (BP) reading of 140/90 mm Hg or higher.
- But the updated guideline classifies hypertension as a BP reading of **130/80 mm Hg or higher**.
- The updated guideline also provides new treatment recommendations, which include lifestyle changes as well as BP-lowering medications

# 2017 ACC/ AHA Hypertension Guidelines

| BP Category              | Systolic BP   |     | Diastolic BP | Treatment or Follow-up                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|--------------------------|---------------|-----|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Normal                   | <120 mm Hg    | and | <80 mm Hg    | Evaluate yearly; encourage healthy lifestyle changes to maintain normal BP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Elevated                 | 120-129 mm Hg | and | <80 mm Hg    | Recommend healthy lifestyle changes and reassess in 3-6 months                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Hypertension:<br>stage 1 | 130-139 mm Hg | or  | 80-89 mm Hg  | <p>Assess the 10-year risk for heart disease and stroke using the <a href="#">atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD) risk calculator</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If risk is less than 10%, start with healthy lifestyle recommendations and reassess in 3-6 months</li> <li>• If risk is greater than 10% or the patient has known clinical cardiovascular disease (CVD), diabetes mellitus, or chronic kidney disease, recommend lifestyle changes and BP-lowering medication (1 medication); reassess in 1 month for effectiveness of medication therapy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– If goal is met after 1 month, reassess in 3-6 months</li> <li>– If goal is not met after 1 month, consider different medication or titration</li> <li>– Continue monthly follow-up until control is achieved</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| Hypertension:<br>stage 2 | ≥140 mm Hg    | or  | ≥90 mm Hg    | <p>Recommend healthy lifestyle changes and BP-lowering medication (2 medications of different classes); reassess in 1 month for effectiveness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If goal is met after 1 month, reassess in 3-6 months</li> <li>• If goal is not met after 1 month, consider different medications or titration</li> <li>• Continue monthly follow-up until control is achieved</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

# 2017 ACC/ AHA Hypertension Guidelines

## BP thresholds and recommendations for treatment and follow-up.



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## BP thresholds and recommendations for treatment and follow-up.

### BP Thresholds for and Goals of Pharmacological Therapy in Patients With Hypertension According to Clinical Conditions

| Clinical Condition(s)                                                                              | BP Threshold, mm Hg | BP Goal, mm Hg |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| <b>General</b>                                                                                     |                     |                |
| Clinical CVD or 10-year ASCVD risk $\geq 10\%$                                                     | $\geq 130/80$       | $< 130/80$     |
| No clinical CVD and 10-year ASCVD risk $< 10\%$                                                    | $\geq 140/90$       | $< 130/80$     |
| Older persons ( $\geq 65$ years of age; noninstitutionalized, ambulatory, community-living adults) | $\geq 130$ (SBP)    | $< 130$ (SBP)  |
| <b>Specific comorbidities</b>                                                                      |                     |                |
| Diabetes mellitus                                                                                  | $\geq 130/80$       | $< 130/80$     |
| Chronic kidney disease                                                                             | $\geq 130/80$       | $< 130/80$     |
| Chronic kidney disease after renal transplantation                                                 | $\geq 130/80$       | $< 130/80$     |
| Heart failure                                                                                      | $\geq 130/80$       | $< 130/80$     |
| Stable ischemic heart disease                                                                      | $\geq 130/80$       | $< 130/80$     |
| Secondary stroke prevention                                                                        | $\geq 140/90$       | $< 130/80$     |
| Secondary stroke prevention (lacunar)                                                              | $\geq 130/80$       | $< 130/80$     |
| Peripheral arterial disease                                                                        | $\geq 130/80$       | $< 130/80$     |

# NCEP-ATP III Guidelines

## ATP III Classification of LDL, Total, and HDL Cholesterol (mg/dL)

### LDL Cholesterol – Primary Target of Therapy

|         |                            |
|---------|----------------------------|
| <100    | Optimal                    |
| 100-129 | Near optimal/above optimal |
| 130-159 | Borderline high            |
| 160-189 | High                       |
| ≥190    | Very high                  |

### Total Cholesterol

|         |                 |
|---------|-----------------|
| <200    | Desirable       |
| 200-239 | Borderline high |
| ≥240    | High            |

### HDL Cholesterol

|     |      |
|-----|------|
| <40 | Low  |
| ≥60 | High |

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# AHA/ACC/AACVPR/AAPA/ABC/ACPM/ADA/AGS/APhA/ASPC/NLA/PCNA Guideline on the Management of Blood Cholesterol: Executive Summary

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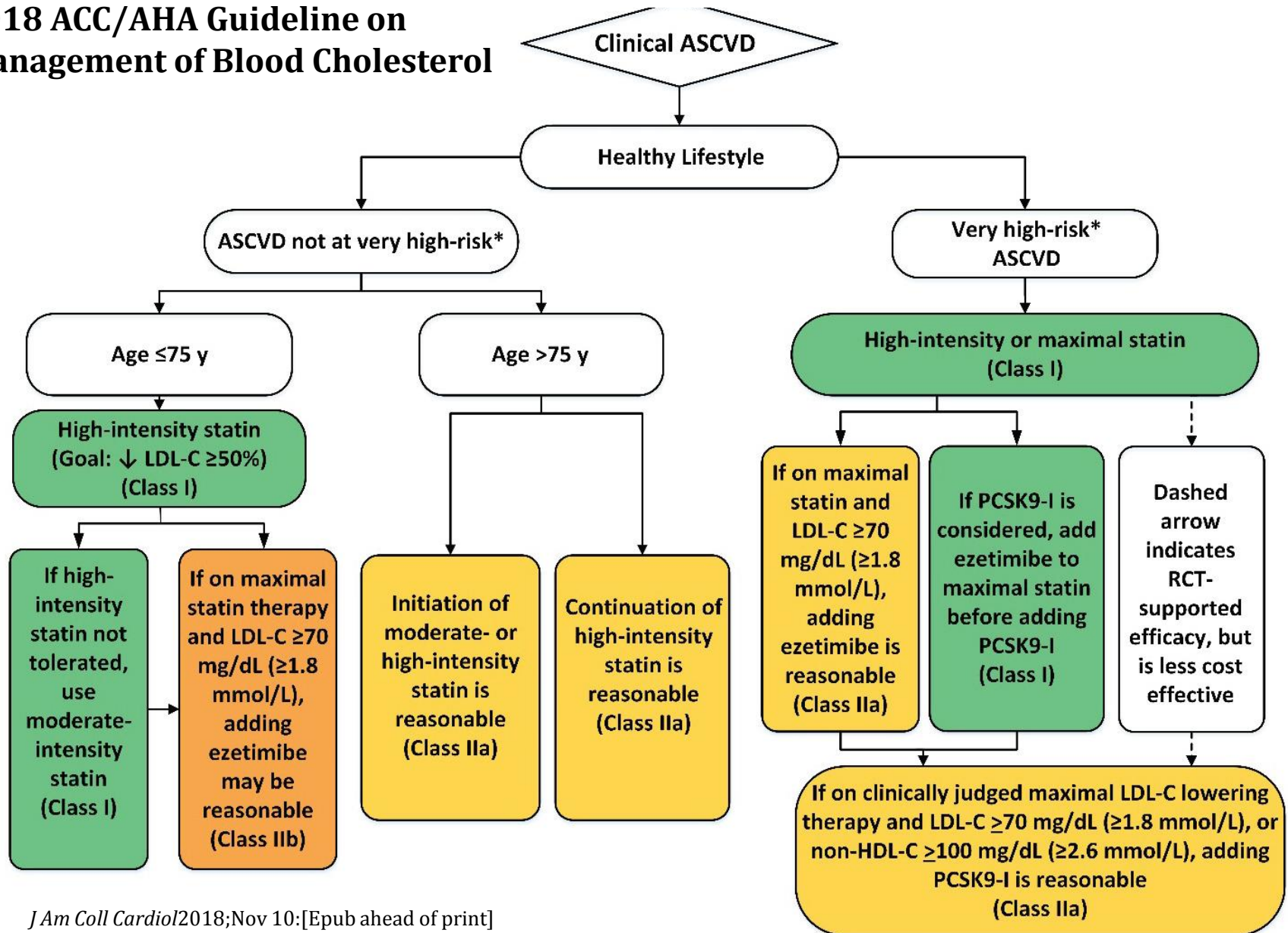
## Recommendations for Measurements of LDL-C and Non-HDL-C

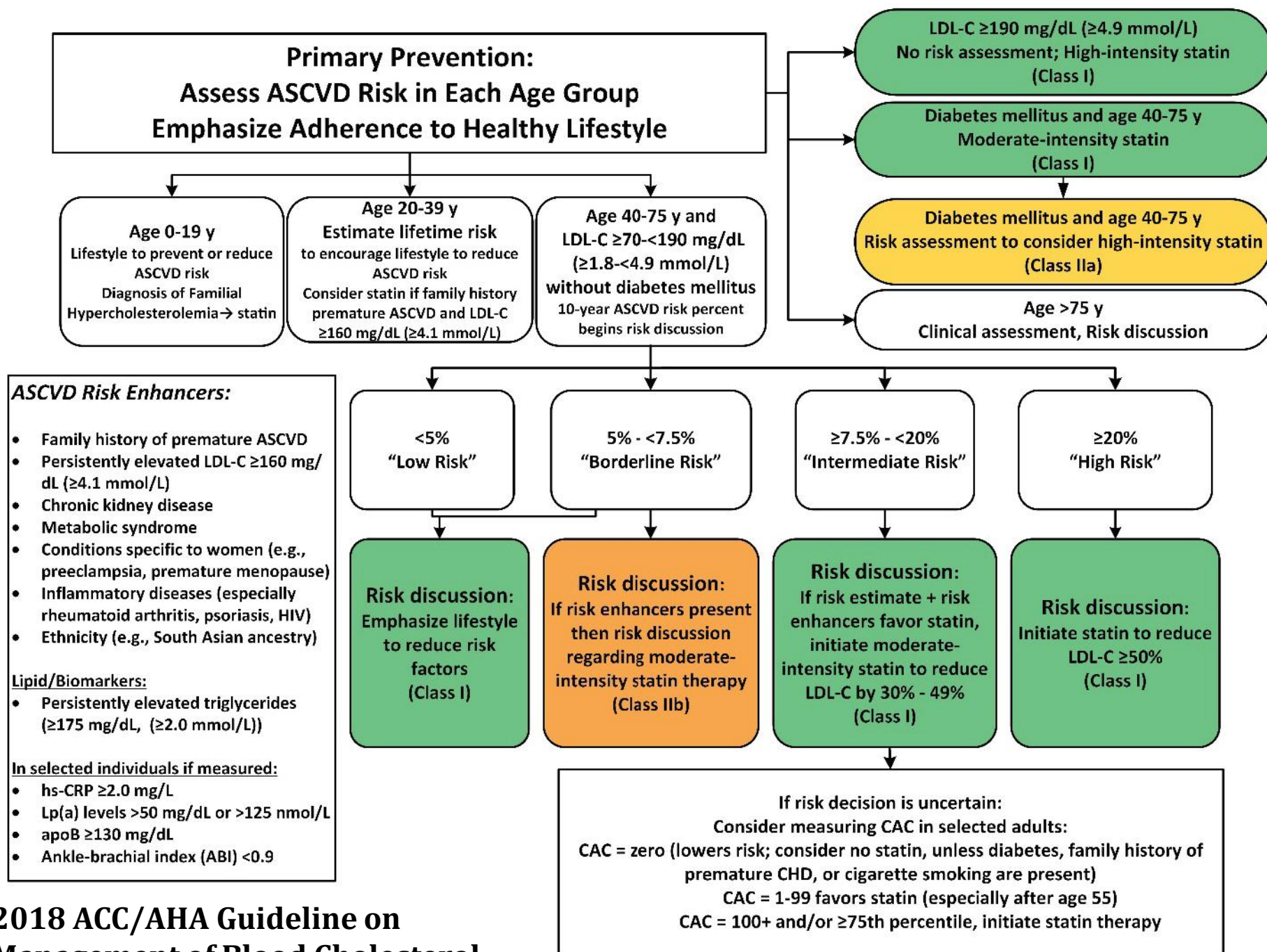
Referenced studies that support recommendations are summarized in [Online Data Supplement 1](#).

| COR | LOE  | Recommendations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|-----|------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| I   | B-NR | 1. In adults who are 20 years of age or older and not on lipid-lowering therapy, measurement of either a fasting or a nonfasting plasma lipid profile is effective in estimating ASCVD risk and documenting baseline LDL-C (S2.1-1–S2.1-6).                                                                                            |
| I   | B-NR | 2. In adults who are 20 years of age or older and in whom an initial nonfasting lipid profile reveals a triglycerides level of 400 mg/dL ( $\geq 4.5$ mmol/L) or higher, a repeat lipid profile in the fasting state should be performed for assessment of fasting triglyceride levels and baseline LDL-C (S2.1-1–S2.1-4).             |
| IIa | C-LD | 3. For patients with an LDL-C level less than 70 mg/dL ( $< 1.8$ mmol/L), measurement of direct LDL-C or modified LDL-C estimate is reasonable to improve accuracy over the Friedewald formula (S2.1-7–S2.1-9).                                                                                                                        |
| IIa | C-LD | 4. In adults who are 20 years of age or older and without a personal history of ASCVD but with a family history of premature ASCVD or genetic hyperlipidemia, measurement of a fasting plasma lipid profile is reasonable as part of an initial evaluation to aid in the understanding and identification of familial lipid disorders. |

# Secondary Prevention in Patients With Clinical ASCVD

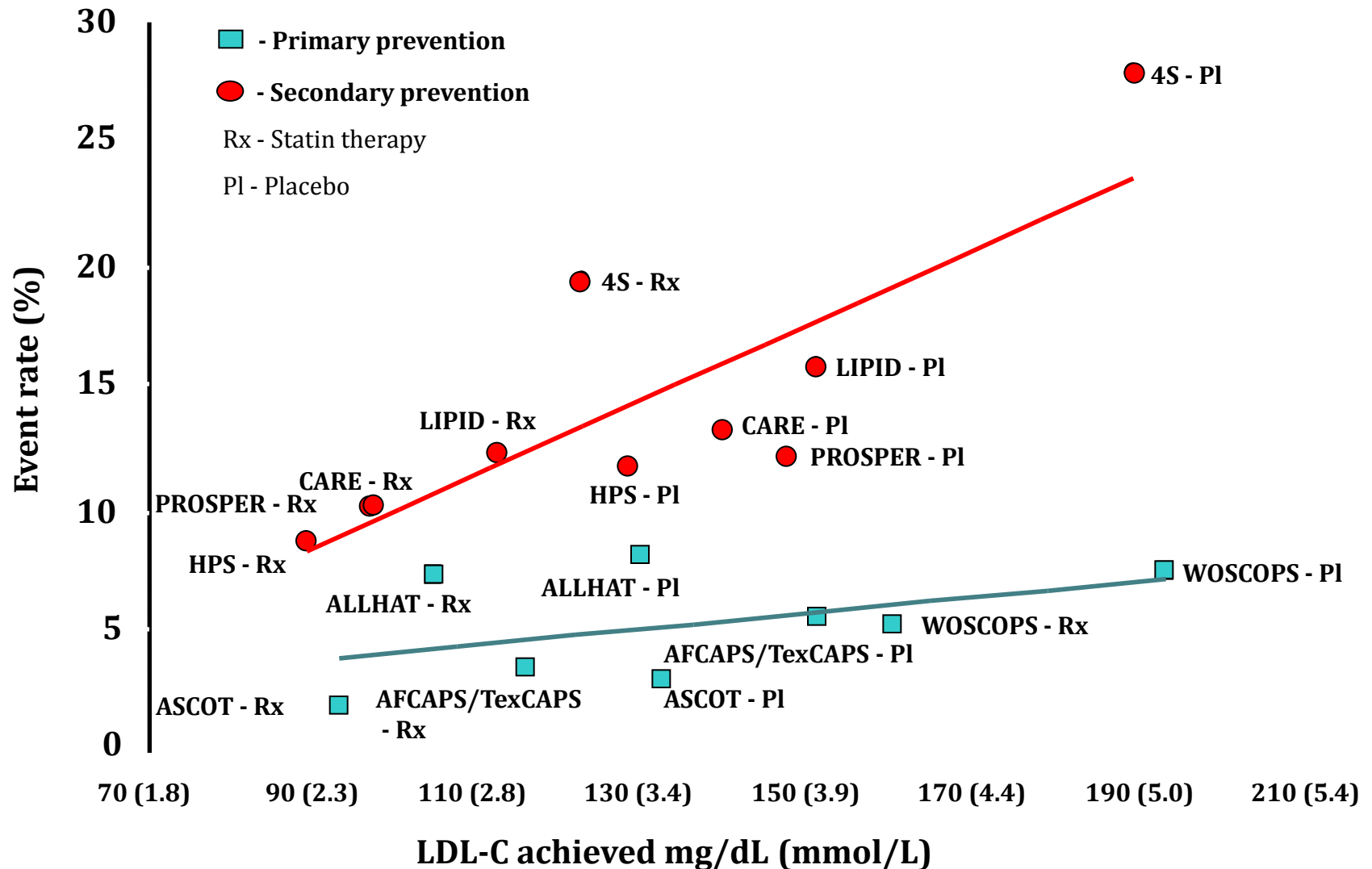
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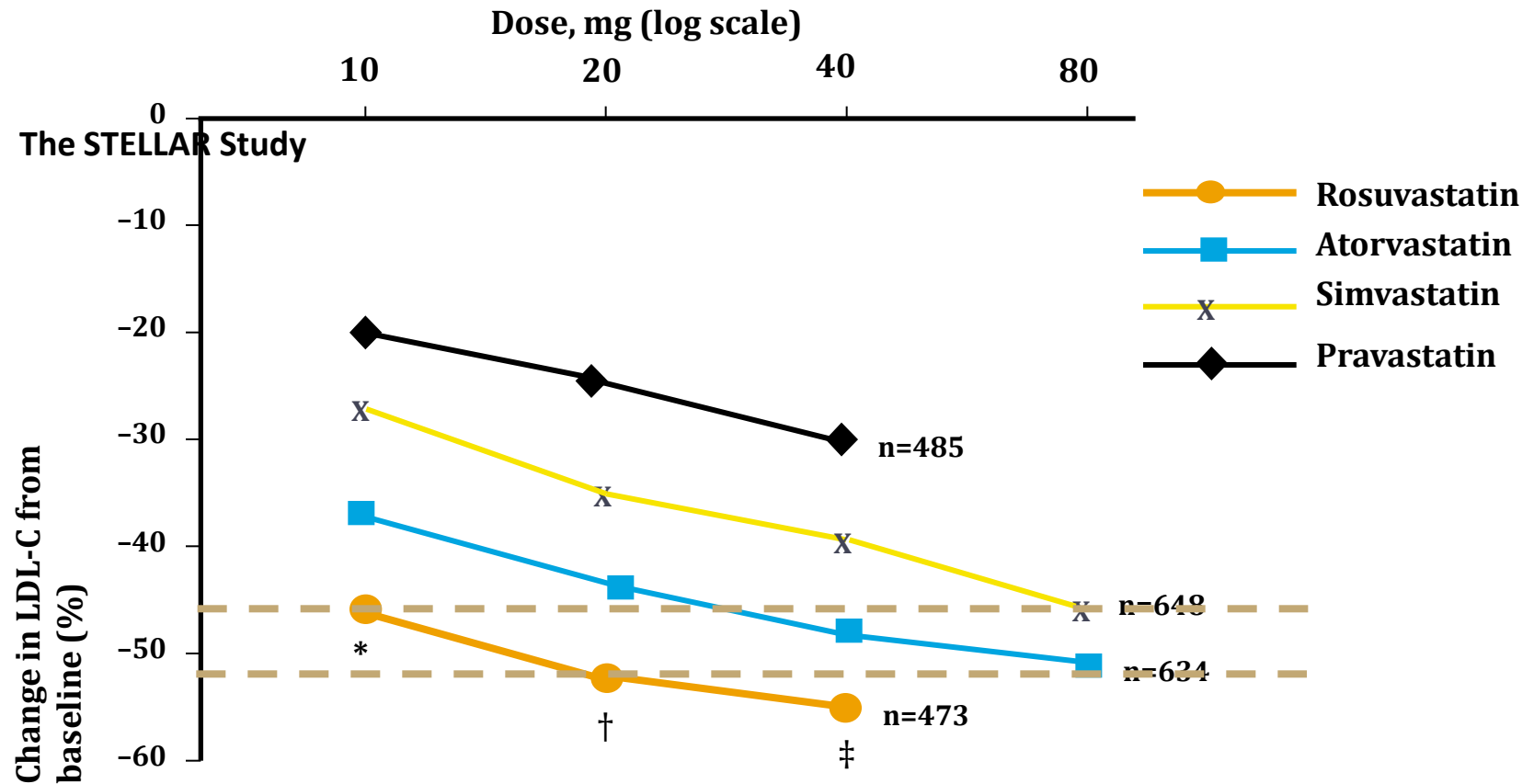


# Key Studies

# Relationship between LDL-C and CV Event Rate



# Rosuvastatin versus Comparators: LDL-C Efficacy Across the Dose Range



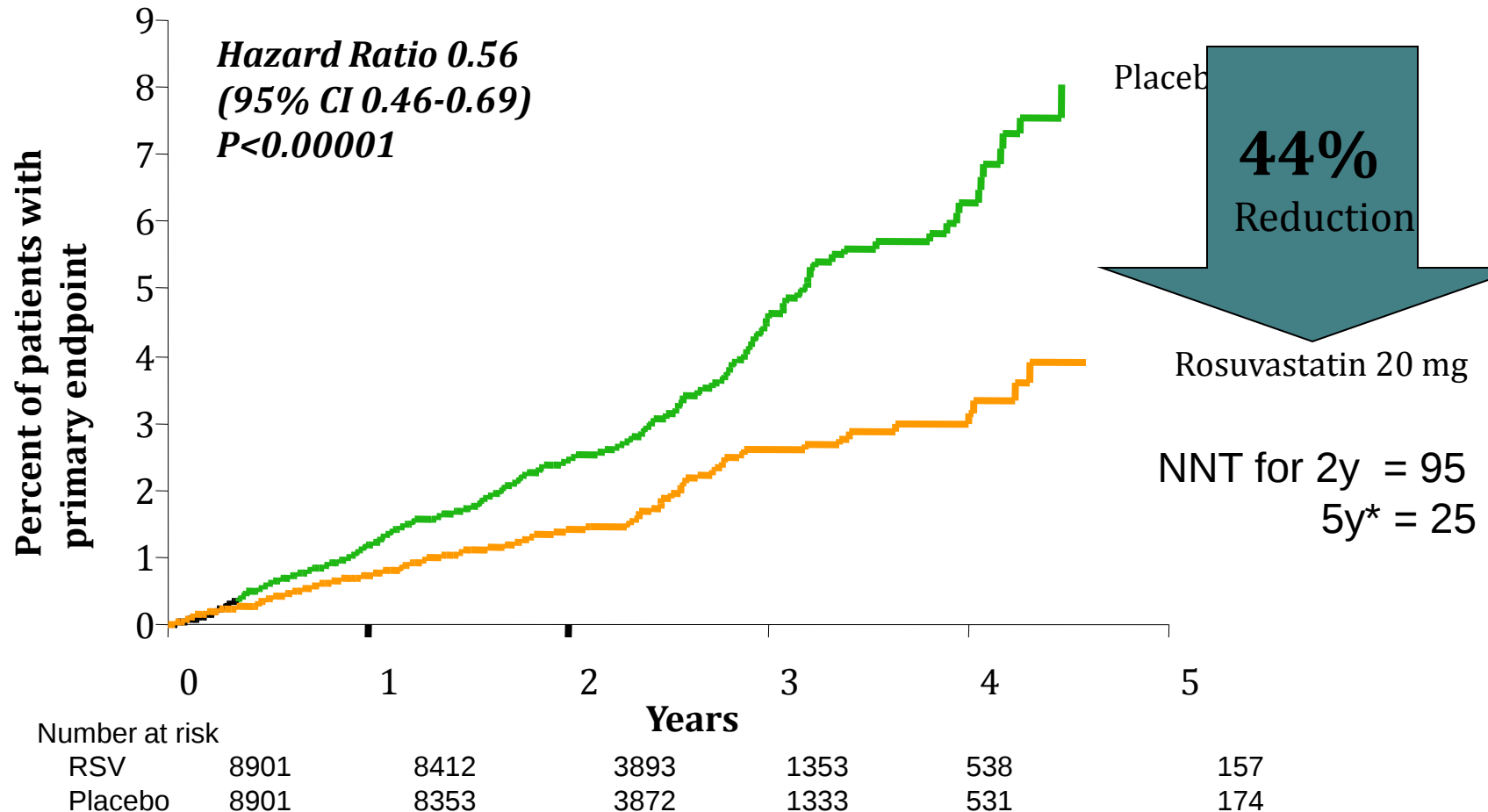
\*p<0.002 vs atorvastatin 10 mg; simvastatin 10, 20, 40 mg; pravastatin 10, 20, 40 mg

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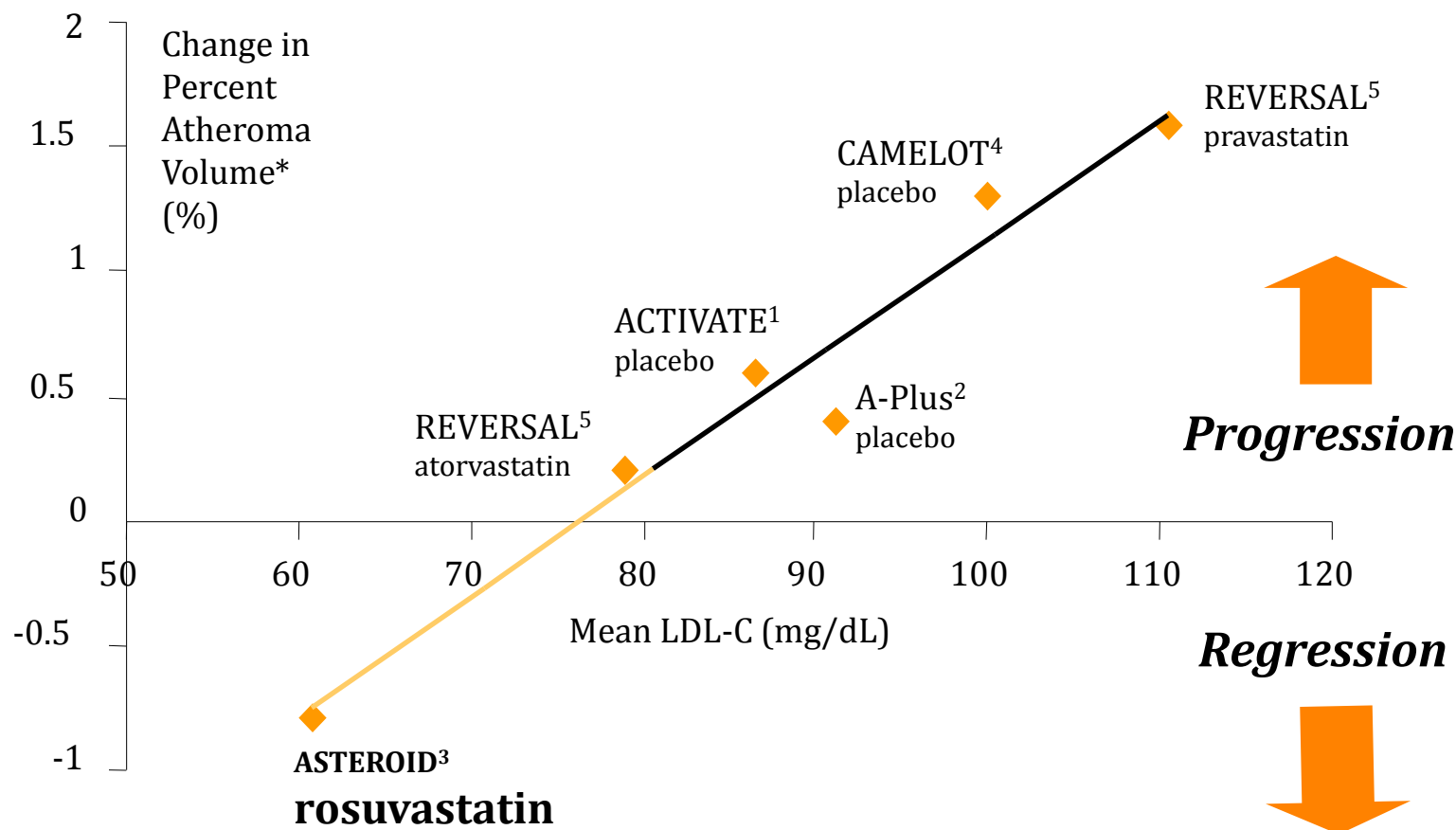
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# JUPITER – Study Results

*Time to first occurrence of a CV death, non-fatal stroke, non-fatal MI, unstable angina or arterial revascularization*



# The relationship between mean LDL-C and change in percent atheroma volume (PAV) in IVUS studies<sup>†</sup>

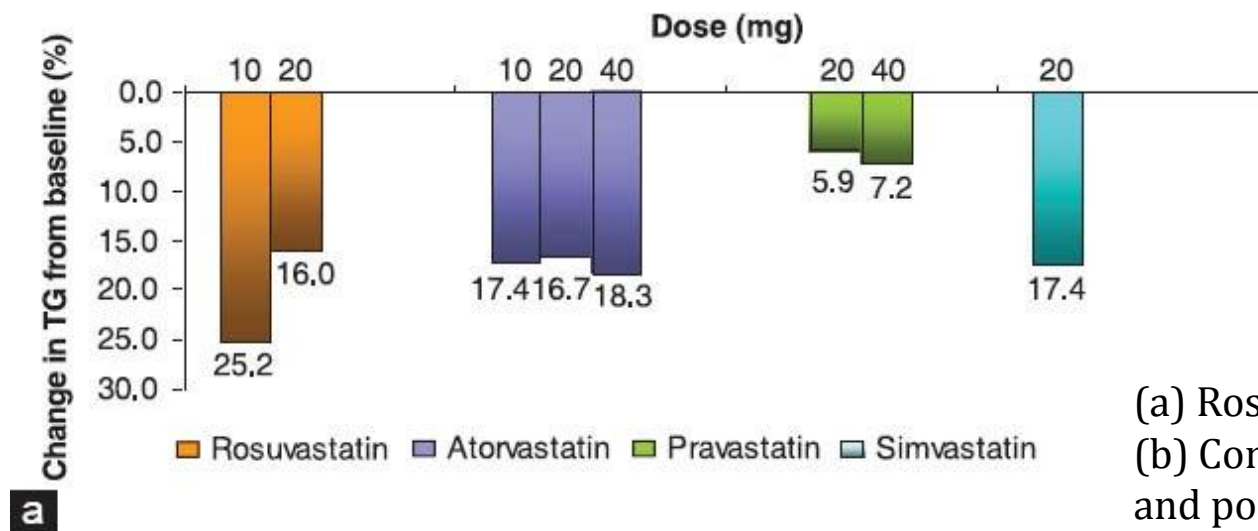


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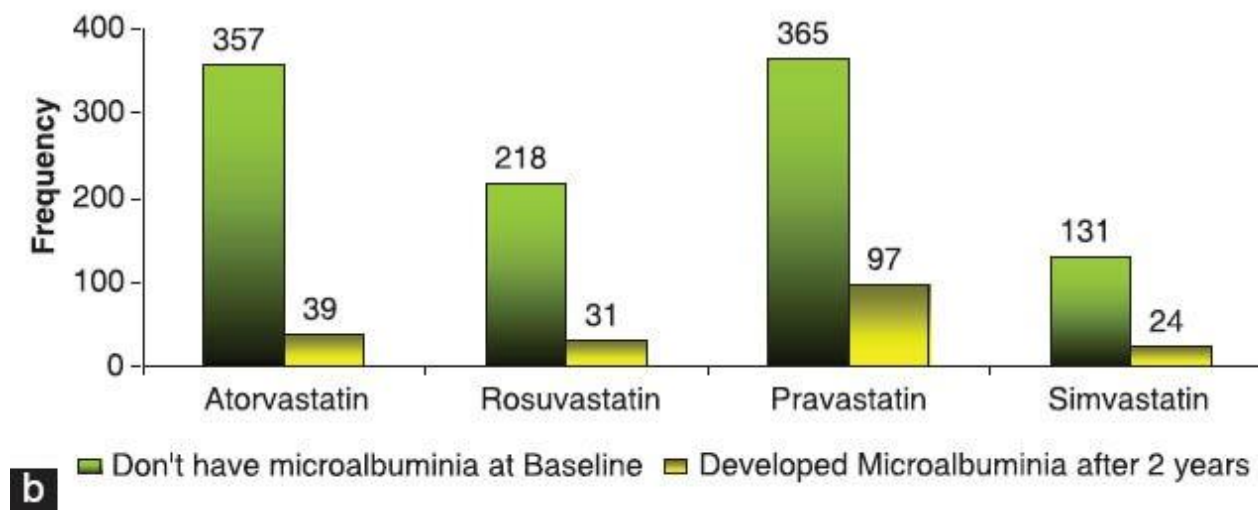
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# Comparison of various statins



(a) Rosuvastatin versus other statins,  
(b) Comparison of patients with pre- and posttreatment microalbuminuria at the end of 2 years



# New evidence from ASCOT-LLA

- The data suggests that there is *no evidence for increased AEs associated with the use of statins*.
- The reported excess of muscle-related AEs, in observational studies, is possibly due to confounding by knowledge of the use of statins among patients and physicians alike, and compounded by the widespread adverse media publicity – The “Nocebo” effect.
- Apparent beneficial effects on sleep disturbance, and possibly on erectile dysfunction, with the use of statins need to be confirmed in other studies.

**ORIGINAL ARTICLE****Efficacy of Rosuvastatin in Achieving Target HDL, LDL, Triglycerides and Total Cholesterol Levels in Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus (T2DM) with Newly Diagnosed Dyslipidaemia: An Open Label, Nonrandomised, Non-Interventional and Observational Study in India**

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- Open label, nonrandomised, non-interventional, observational study in India involving T2DM patients who require statin therapy to control dyslipidaemia patients (N=4369)
- Data were collected at baseline, interim (8 weeks) and subsequently at 16 weeks of Rosuvastatin (10 and 20 mg) therapy

# Results

**Table 2:** Mean Change in Low-density lipoprotein Cholesterol Level after treatment for 16 weeks

| *Frequency of LDL-C Levels |               |                                   | Gender (Mean and S.D. Values) |                                      |                           |               |
|----------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| LDL Levels                 | Frequency (%) | Female                            |                               | Male                                 |                           |               |
|                            |               | LDL Levels mg/dl<br>(at 16 weeks) | % Change in LDL<br>Levels     | LDL Levels in mg/dl<br>(at 16 weeks) | % Change in LDL<br>Levels |               |
|                            | <100          | 1115(25.52%)                      | -45.94(38.19)                 | -36.1%                               | -44.17(38.58)             | -35.6%        |
|                            | 100-129       | 1559(35.68%)                      | -38.53(35.36)                 | -25.0%                               | -57.15(554.02)            | -33.2%        |
|                            | 130-159       | 1144(26.18%)                      | -27.54(56.30)                 | -16.3%                               | -25.22(25.29)             | -15.1%        |
|                            | 160-189       | 433(9.91%)                        | -14.47(27.59)                 | -7.94%                               | -17.39(27.22)             | -9.28%        |
|                            | ≥190          | 118(2.70%)                        | 114.89(282.06)                | 56.13%                               | -7.43(97.53)              | -3.2%         |
| Target Achievement         |               |                                   |                               |                                      |                           |               |
|                            |               | Female                            |                               | Male                                 |                           | Total         |
|                            | Achieved      | 851 (19.48%)                      |                               | 1823 (41.73%)                        |                           | 2674 (61.20%) |
|                            | Not Achieved  | 542 (12.41%)                      |                               | 1153 (26.39%)                        |                           | 1695 (38.80%) |

LDL-C: Low-density lipoprotein Cholesterol; \*NCEP ATP III Guidelines

**Overall 63.95% of patients had achieved the total cholesterol target and 50.06% achieved triglyceride target**

**Table 4:** Mean change in total cholesterol level after treatment for 16 weeks

| Frequency of Total Cholesterol* Levels |               | Gender (Mean and S.D. Values)    |                       |                                  |                       |
|----------------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| TC Levels                              | Frequency (%) | Female                           |                       | Male                             |                       |
|                                        |               | TC Levels in mg/dl (at 16 weeks) | % Change in TC Levels | TC Levels in mg/dl (at 16 weeks) | % Change in TC Levels |
| <200                                   | 2794(63.95%)  | -51.20(46.26)                    | -23.2%                | -56.10(71.35)                    | -24.9%                |
| 200-239                                | 1097(25.11%)  | -36.31(41.50)                    | -14.6%                | -37.03(35.32)                    | -14.8%                |
| ≥240                                   | 478(10.94%)   | -43.89(95.21)                    | -13.5%                | -30.85(54.64)                    | -10.3%                |
| Target Achievement                     |               |                                  |                       |                                  |                       |
|                                        |               | Female                           |                       | Male                             | Total                 |
| Achieved                               |               | 910 (20.83%)                     |                       | 1884 (43.12%)                    | 2794 (63.95%)         |
| Not Achieved                           |               | 483 (11.06%)                     |                       | 1092 (24.99%)                    | 1575 (36.05%)         |

TC: Total Cholesterol; \*NCEP ATP III Guidelines

**Conclusion: Rosuvastatin safely and beneficially alters the entire spectrum of lipoproteins in Indian patients**



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## RESEARCH ARTICLE

### ANTIHYPERTENSIVE EFFECT OF ROSUVASTATIN IN NORMOCHOLESTEROLEMIC HYPERTENSIVE PATIENTS AND ITS ASSOCIATION WITH FLOW MEDIATED DILATION AND OXIDATIVE STRESS

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- **Objective:** To study the effect of rosuvastatin therapy in normocholesterolemic patients when added to antihypertensive agent on
  - (a) Blood pressure in stage 1 hypertensive individuals.
  - (b) Endothelial function and oxidative stress levels in stage 1 hypertensive individuals
- **Randomised double blind study**

- **Conclusion:** Addition of rosuvastatin in normocholesterolemic subjects who are already on antihypertensive treatment lead to significant fall in mean systolic blood pressure and mean pulse pressure
- Rosuvastatin causes improvement of antioxidant level and endothelial function
- **This study reinforces relatively poorly understood and under-reported hypotensive potential of statin, one of many pleiotropic effect associated with the class of statin.**

# Blood pressure lowering effect of statin drugs with an application to rosuvastatin

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- This study aimed to investigate the potential role of rosuvastatin in BP lowering properties in Korean population
- Data were taken from three randomized, multiple-dose cross over studies

**Table 1.** Characteristics of clinical trials included in the analysis

| Study, Design                                                                         | Subjects<br>(no. of subjects)             | Dosage<br>per day | Duration<br>of study | BP sampling Schedule                                                                                         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Randomized, open-label, 3-period,<br>multiple-dose crossover study[13]                | Healthy normotensive<br>male subjects[35] | 20 mg             | 7 days               | At predose on days 1 through 6 and at 0, 2, 4,<br>8, 12, 24, 48 and 72 hours after the last dose<br>on day 7 |
| Randomized, open-label, 2-part,<br>2-period, multiple-dose crossover<br>study[14]     | Healthy normotensive<br>male subjects[23] | 20 mg             | 6 days               | At predose on days 1 through 5 and at 0, 2, 4,<br>8, 12, 24, 48 and 72 hours after the last dose<br>on day 6 |
| Randomized, open-label, 6-sequence,<br>3-period, multiple-dose crossover<br>study[12] | Healthy normotensive<br>male subjects[33] | 10 mg             | 5 days               | At predose on days 1 through 4 and at 0, 4, 8,<br>12, 24, 48 and 72 hours after the last dose on<br>day 5    |

**Rosuvastatin monotherapy may produce small blood pressure lowering effect in DBP.**

# ONTARGET (Ongoing Telmisartan Alone and in Combination with Ramipril Global Endpoint Trial)

- Goal: To test whether Telmisartan was similarly effective to Ramipril
- Population and treatment: 25 620 patients  $\geq 55$  years of age with CHD or diabetes plus additional risk factors without evidence of HF.
- Randomized to ramipril 10 mg/day, telmisartan 80 mg/day, or combination of the two for a mean duration of 55 months.
- Primary outcome: A composite of CV death, MI, stroke, or hospitalization for HF

# ONTARGET: Results

- Telmisartan was shown to be noninferior to ramipril

## Key results

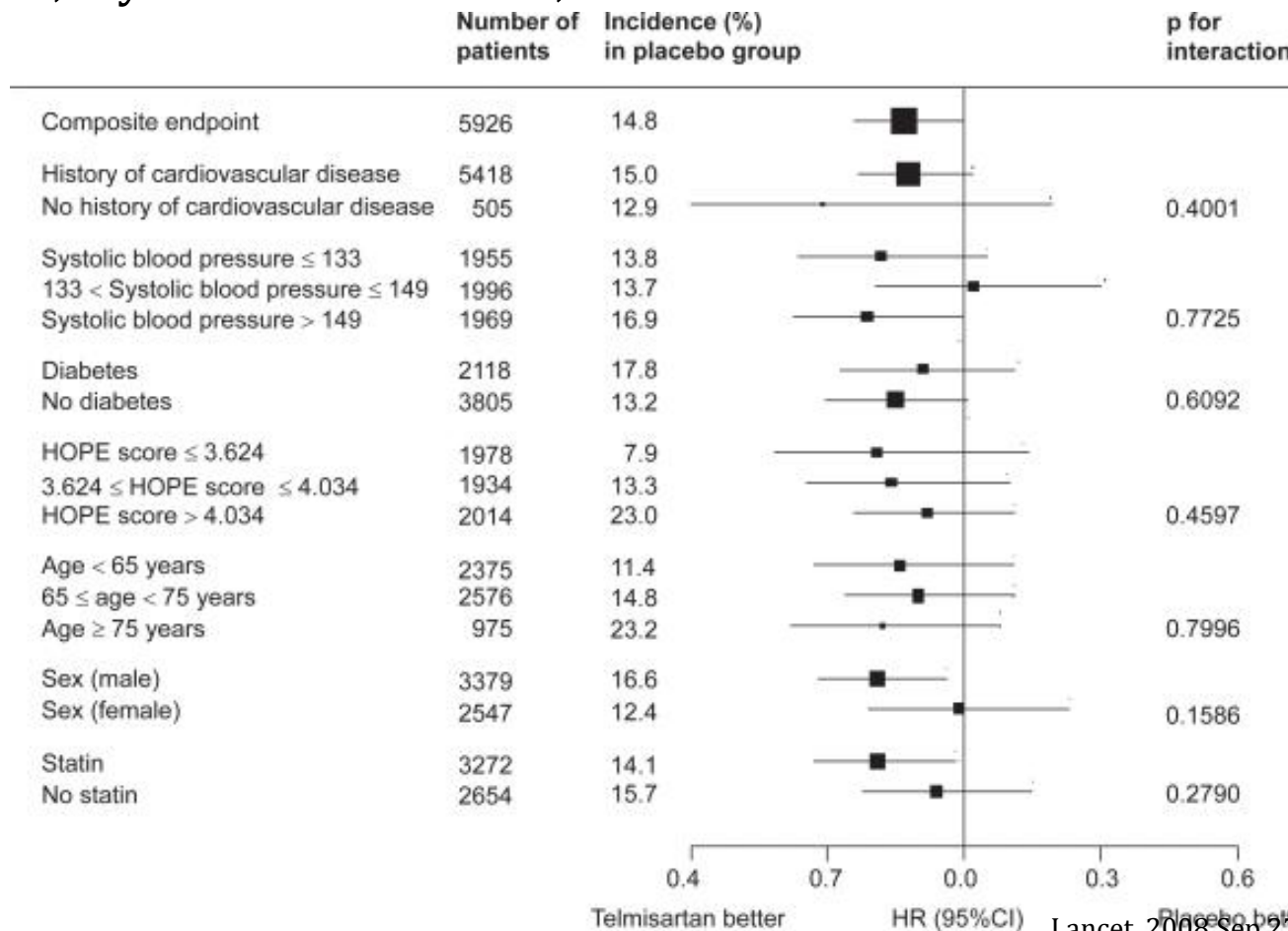
| Outcome             | Ramipril<br>(n=8576), % | Telmisartan<br>(n=8542), % | Combination<br>(n=8502), % | Risk ratio (95% CI) <sup>a</sup> | Risk ratio (95% CI) <sup>b</sup> |
|---------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Primary end point   | 16.5                    | 16.7                       | 16.3                       | 1.01 (0.94–1.09)                 | 0.99 (0.92–1.07)                 |
| CV death/MI/stroke  | 14.1                    | 13.9                       | 14.1                       | 0.99 (0.91–1.07)                 | 1.00 (0.93–1.09)                 |
| MI                  | 4.8                     | 5.2                        | 5.2                        | 1.07 (0.94–1.22)                 | 1.08 (0.94–1.23)                 |
| Stroke              | 4.7                     | 4.3                        | 4.4                        | 0.91 (0.79–1.05)                 | 0.93 (0.81–1.07)                 |
| CHF hospitalization | 4.1                     | 4.6                        | 3.9                        | 1.12 (0.97–1.29)                 | 0.95 (0.82–1.10)                 |
| CV death            | 7.0                     | 7.0                        | 7.3                        | 1.00 (0.89–1.12)                 | 1.04 (0.93–1.17)                 |
| Any death           | 11.8                    | 11.6                       | 12.5                       | 0.98 (0.90–1.07)                 | 1.07 (0.98–1.16)                 |
| Renal impairment    | 10.2                    | 10.6                       | 13.5                       | 1.04 (0.96–1.14)                 | 1.33 (1.22–1.44)                 |

# **Telmisartan Randomised Assessment Study in ACE iNtolerant subjects with cardiovascular Disease (TRANSCEND)**

- Goal: To assess whether telmisartan would be effective in patients intolerant to ACE inhibitors with CV disease or diabetes with end-organ damage
- 5926 patients were randomised to receive telmisartan 80 mg/day (n=2954) or placebo (n=2972)
- The primary outcome was the composite of cardiovascular death, myocardial infarction, stroke, or hospitalisation for heart failure.

# TRANSCEND Results

- Mean blood pressure was lower in telmisartan group than in placebo group
- Telmisartan had an impact on the composite outcome of cardiovascular death, myocardial infarction, or stroke.



# PROTECTION Program

- The objective of the Programme of Research to show Telmisartan End-organ protection (PROTECTION) is to measure the end-organ protective effects of telmisartan in patients at high risk of renal, cardiac and vascular damage.
- Nine clinical studies will examine the effects of telmisartan in about 5000 hypertensive patients with
  - isolated systolic hypertension,
  - type 2 diabetes,
  - obesity,
  - left ventricular hypertrophy or
  - renal disease.
- The programme also investigated the effects of an ARB on key surrogate markers of organ tissue damage.

# PROTECTION

Programme of Research to show Telmisartan End-organ protection

10 clinical Studies in > 6500 Patients from 32 countries

**PRISMA I & II**  
EMBPS  
Telmisartan vs. Ramipril

**TRENDY**  
Dysfunction of the renal endothelium  
Telmisartan vs. Ramipril

**ARBs FDC**  
Morning surge in BP  
Telmisartan + HCTZ  
vs. Losartan + HCTZ

**INNOVATION**  
Diabetic Nephropathy  
Telmisartan vs. Placebo

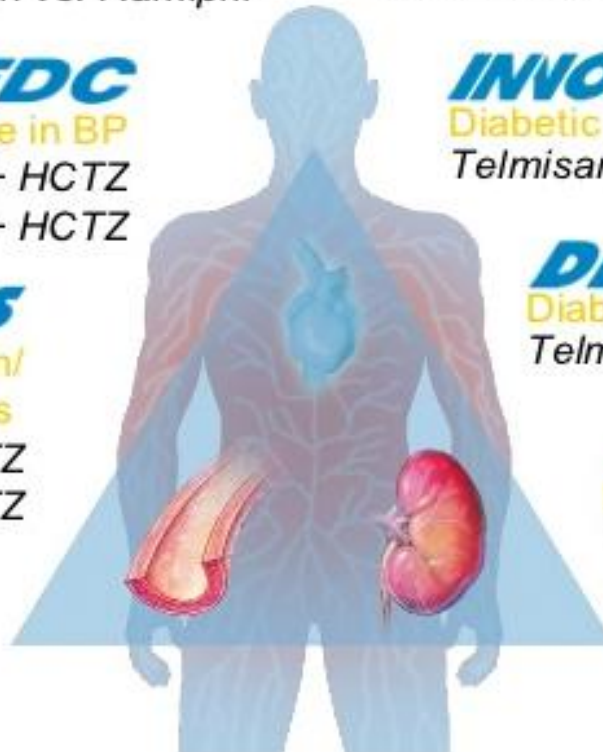
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elderly hypertensives  
Telmisartan + HCTZ  
vs. Amlodipine + HCTZ

**DETAIL**  
Diabetic Nephropathy  
Telmisartan vs. Enalapril

**SMOOTH**  
Diabetes + Overweight  
Telmisartan + HCTZ  
vs. Valsartan + HCTZ

**AMADEO**  
Diabetic Nephropathy  
Telmisartan vs. Losartan

**VIVALDI**  
Diabetic Nephropathy  
Telmisartan vs. Valsartan



**Table 1** Summary of telmisartan clinical trials

| Study        | Number of patients | Patient population                                                                                                 | Duration  | Primary end points                                                                                                        | Intervention                                               | Main outcomes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| PRISMA I, II | 1613               | Hypertension                                                                                                       | 14 weeks  | Change from baseline in mean ambulatory systolic BP and diastolic BP during the final 6 hours of the 24-hour dosing cycle | Telmisartan 80 mg/day vs ramipril 5 or 10 mg/day           | Telmisartan is more effective than ramipril throughout the 24-hour period and during the early morning                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| DETAIL       | 250                | Type 2 diabetes + hypertension + early diabetic nephropathy                                                        | 5.0 years | Change in glomerular filtration rate                                                                                      | Telmisartan 80 mg/day vs enalapril 20 mg/day               | Telmisartan is not inferior to enalapril in providing long-term renoprotection in persons with type 2 diabetes (change in glomerular filtration rate for telmisartan $-17.9$ mL per minute per $1.73$ m <sup>2</sup> , $-14.9$ mL per minute per $1.73$ m <sup>2</sup> for enalapril; treatment difference $-3.0$ mL per minute per $1.73$ m <sup>2</sup> 95% CI: $-7.6$ to $1.6$ mL per minute per $1.73$ m <sup>2</sup> ) |
| INNOVATION   | 527                | Type 2 diabetes + microalbuminuria (Japanese)                                                                      | 1.3 years | Transition rate from incipient to overt nephropathy                                                                       | Telmisartan 80 mg/day vs telmisartan 40 mg/day vs placebo  | Telmisartan reduced transition from incipient to overt nephropathy (16.7% telmisartan 80 mg, 22.6% telmisartan 40 mg, 49.9% placebo; both telmisartan doses vs placebo, $P < 0.0001$ )                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| VIVALDI      | 885                | Type 2 diabetes + hypertension + overt nephropathy                                                                 | 1 year    | Change from baseline in the 24-hour proteinuria                                                                           | Telmisartan 80 mg/day vs valsartan 160 mg/day              | Similar reduction 33% with both telmisartan and valsartan                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| AMADEO       | 860                | Type 2 diabetes + hypertension + overt nephropathy                                                                 | 1 year    | Difference in the urinary albumin to creatinine ratio                                                                     | Telmisartan 80 mg/day vs losartan 100 mg/day               | Reduction significantly better with telmisartan 29.8% vs losartan 21.4% ( $P < 0.031$ )                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| ONTARGET     | 25,620             | Coronary, peripheral, or cerebrovascular disease or diabetes with end-organ damage                                 | 4.7 years | Composite endpoint of cardiovascular death, myocardial infarction, stroke, or hospitalization for heart failure           | Telmisartan 80 mg/day vs ramipril 10 mg/day vs combination | Telmisartan was equivalent to ramipril in patients with vascular disease or high risk diabetes (RR: 1.01; 95% CI: 0.94–1.09)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| TRANSCEND    | 5926               | Intolerance to ACE inhibitors + coronary, peripheral, or cerebrovascular disease or diabetes with end-organ damage | 4.7 years | Composite endpoint of cardiovascular death, myocardial infarction, stroke, or hospitalization for heart failure           | Telmisartan 80 mg/day vs placebo                           | Telmisartan did not reduce composite of four cardiovascular outcomes in high risk patients with intolerance to ACE inhibitors (HR: 0.92; 95% CI: 0.81–1.05; $P = 0.216$ )                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

# Mixed-effects analysis of increased rosuvastatin absorption by coadministered telmisartan

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- **The C<sub>max</sub> and AUC of rosuvastatin increase when it is coadministered with telmisartan**
- Telmisartan may influence the absorption process of rosuvastatin rather than its metabolic elimination

# The Heart Outcomes Prevention Evaluation (HOPE -3) Trial

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## ORIGINAL ARTICLE

### Blood-Pressure and Cholesterol Lowering in Persons without Cardiovascular Disease

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Combination therapy (with a statin and anti-hypertensives) would perform best in patients with hypertension, whereas statins alone would perform best in those without elevated blood pressure.

# The effect of combining rosuvastatin with sartans of different peroxisome proliferator receptor- $\gamma$ activating capacity on plasma 8-isoprostane prostaglandin F<sub>2a</sub> levels

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- Oxidative stress is associated with the development and progression of cardiovascular disease.
- Plasma 8-isoprostane prostaglandin F<sub>2a</sub> (8-iso-PGF<sub>2a</sub>) levels are a reliable marker of oxidative stress
- Patients ( $n = 151$ ) with hypertension, dyslipidemia and impaired fasting glucose were randomly allocated to rosuvastatin (10 mg/day) plus telmisartan 80 mg/day (RT group,  $n = 52$ ) or irbesartan 300 mg/day (RI group,  $n = 48$ ) or olmesartan 20 mg/day (RO group,  $n = 51$ ).

# Results

- A decrease of 8-iso-PGF2a levels vs baseline was observed only in the RT group ( $-8.6\%$ ;  $p = 0.02$ ).
- **Conclusions:**

The combination of rosuvastatin with sartans of different peroxisome proliferator receptor- $\gamma$  activating capacity was associated with a decrease in levels of plasma 8-iso-PGF2a.

  - This decrease reached significance only in the telmisartan group

**Treatment with telmisartan/rosuvastatin combination has a beneficial synergistic effect on ameliorating Th17/Treg functional imbalance in hypertensive patients with carotid atherosclerosis.**

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- Th17/Treg cell functional imbalance is correlated to carotid atherosclerosis in hypertensive patients.
- Telmisartan can ameliorate Th17/Treg functional imbalance beyond blood pressure lowering.
- Rosuvastatin can ameliorate Th17/Treg functional imbalance beyond blood lipids lowering.
- Telmisartan/rosuvastatin combination has a beneficial synergistic effect on ameliorating Th17/Treg functional imbalance.

## Effects of rosuvastatin combined with olmesartan, irbesartan, or telmisartan on indices of glucose metabolism in Greek adults with impaired fasting glucose, hypertension, and mixed hyperlipidemia: a 24-week, randomized, open-label, prospective study.

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- 24-week, randomized, open-label study
- After 12 weeks of dietary intervention, patients were randomly allocated to receive rosuvastatin 10 mg/d plus
  - telmisartan 80 mg/d (RT group),
  - irbesartan 300 mg/d (RI group), or
  - olmesartan 20 mg/d (RO group) for 24 weeks.

# Results

- At 6 months, the Rosuvastatin + telmisartan group had a 29% decrease in HOMA-IR

|                            | HOMA-IR      | HR                             |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| Rosuvastatin + telmisartan | 29% decrease | 2.6 [0.6-6.6] to 1.8 [0.5-5.1] |
| Rosuvastatin + irbesartan  | 16% increase | 2.5 [0.5-6.2] to 2.9 [0.5-8.1] |
| Rosuvastatin + olmesartan  | 14% increase | 2.4 [0.5-7.9] to 2.7 [0.5-5.2] |

- The improvement in the RT group was statistically significant compared with the RI group ( $P < 0.01$ ) and the RO group ( $P < 0.05$ ).

# Summary

- Dyslipidemia and hypertension are the established risk factors of prime importance in cardiovascular diseases
- The risk of CVD associated with concomitant hypertension and dyslipidemia is more multiplicative than the sum of the individual risk factors
- Many patients treated with currently available antihypertensive and statin monotherapies do not achieve desired goals
- The fixed dose combination can provide better BP control and lipid targets and thereby better cardiovascular protection



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