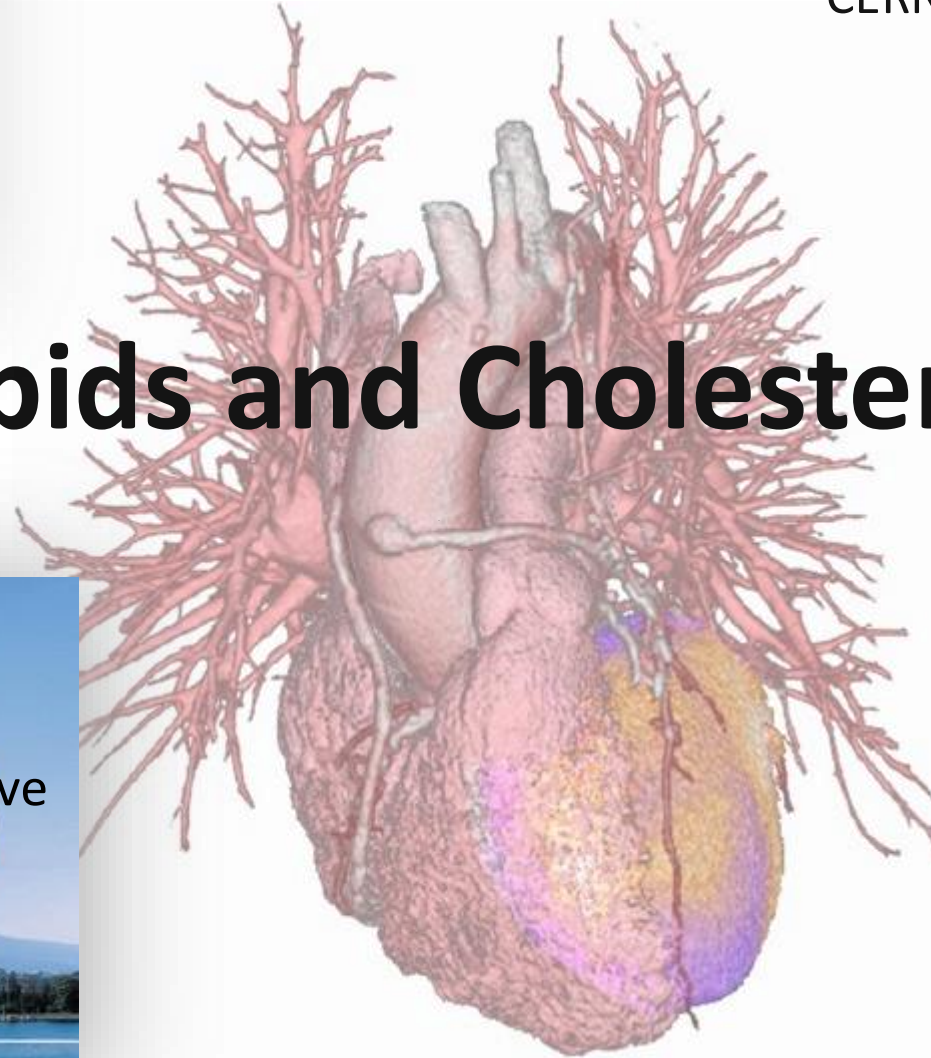




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Lipids and Cholesterol



A light gray silhouette of a world map is centered in the background of the graphic.

SEPTEMBER 29

WORLD

HEART DAY

Cardiovascular Disease

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE THE WORLD'S NUMBER 1 KILLER

Cardiovascular diseases are a group of disorders of the heart and blood vessels, commonly referred to as **heart disease** and **stroke**.

17.8
MILLION

deaths
every
year
from
CVD



31%

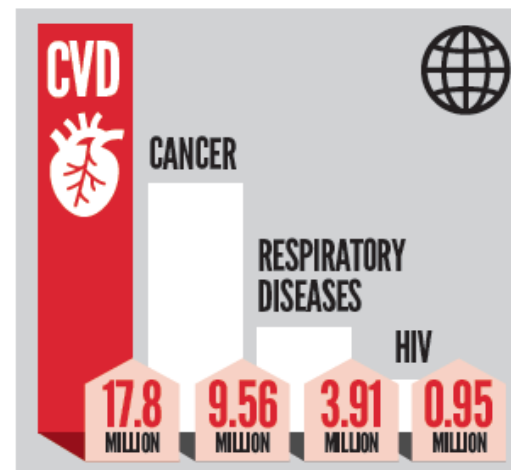
of all
global deaths



>75%

of CVD deaths take place in low-
and middle-income countries

GLOBAL CAUSES OF DEATH



RISK FACTORS FOR CVD



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Cardiovascular Diseases

Coronary Artery Disease

Leading cause of mortality

Happened globally

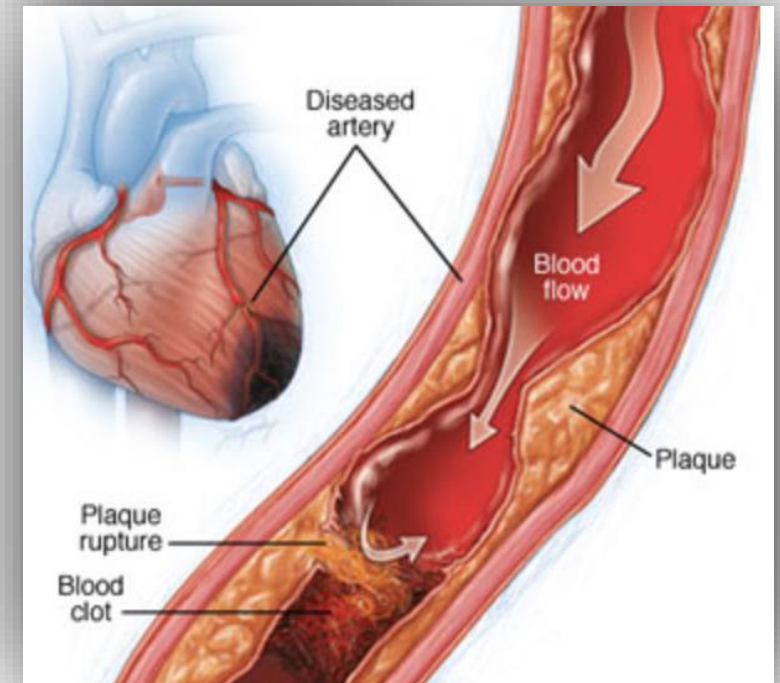
Increase new cases

Leading cause of loss of productivity

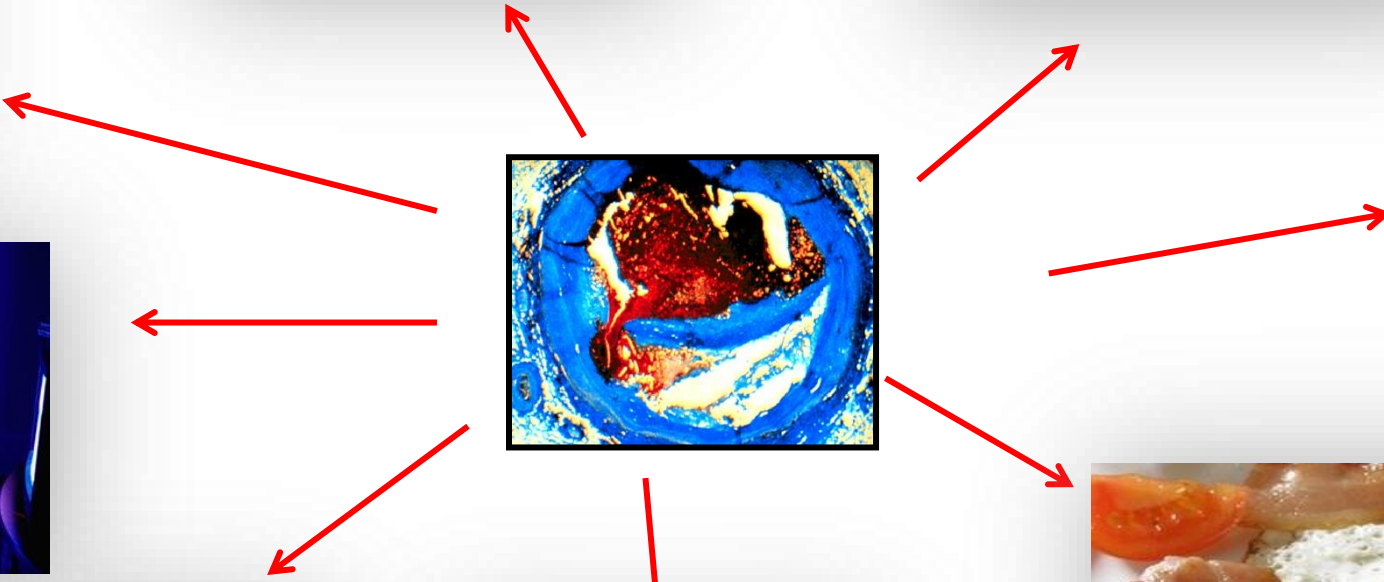
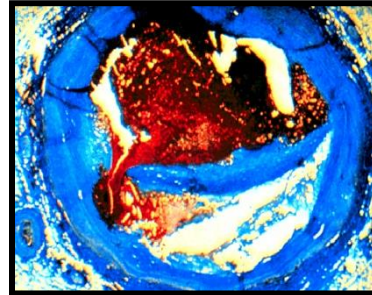
TRUE PANDEMIC

WHO (2009):

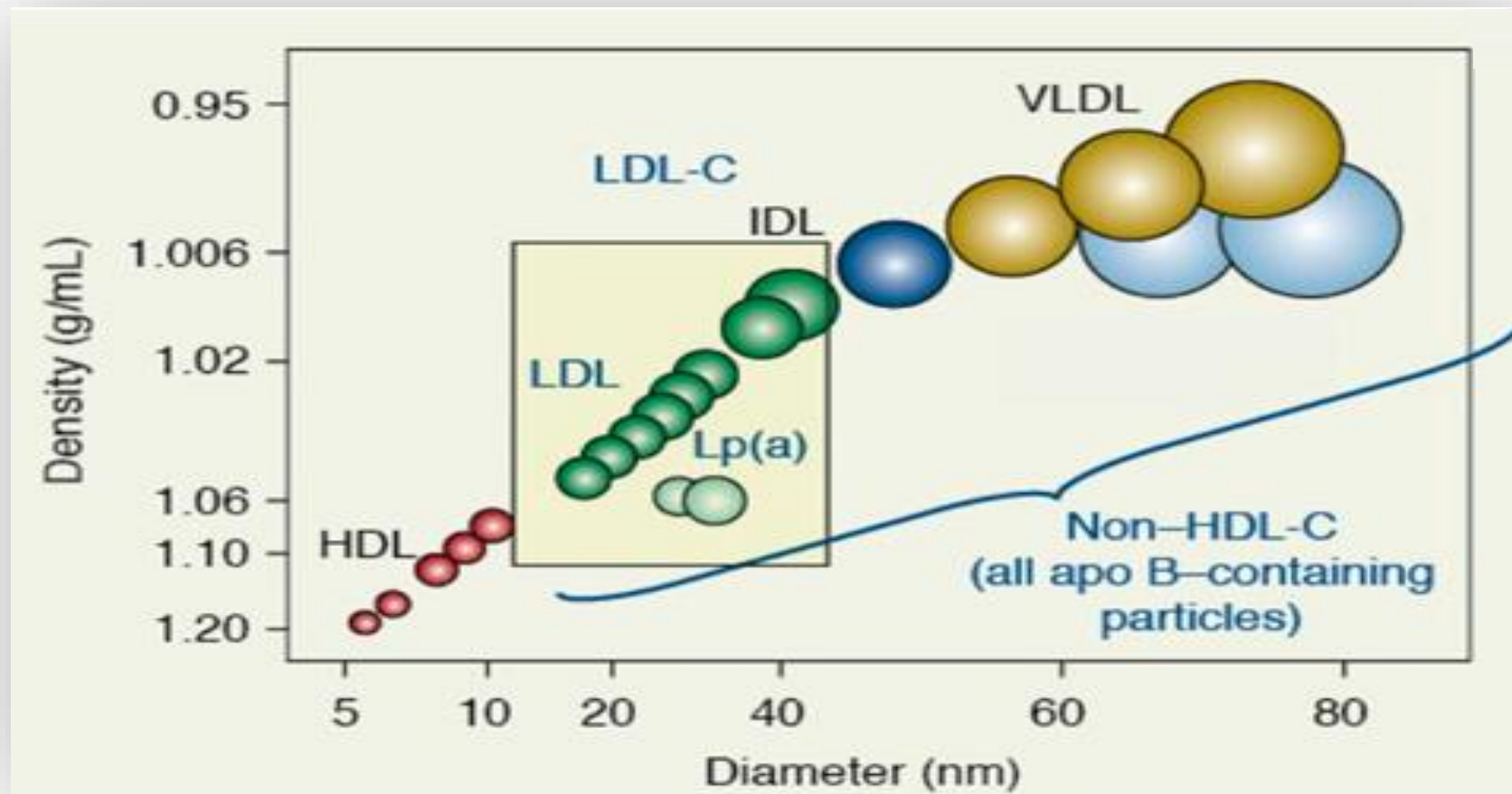
“CHD is now the leading cause of death worldwide; it is on the rise and has become a true pandemic that respects no borders”



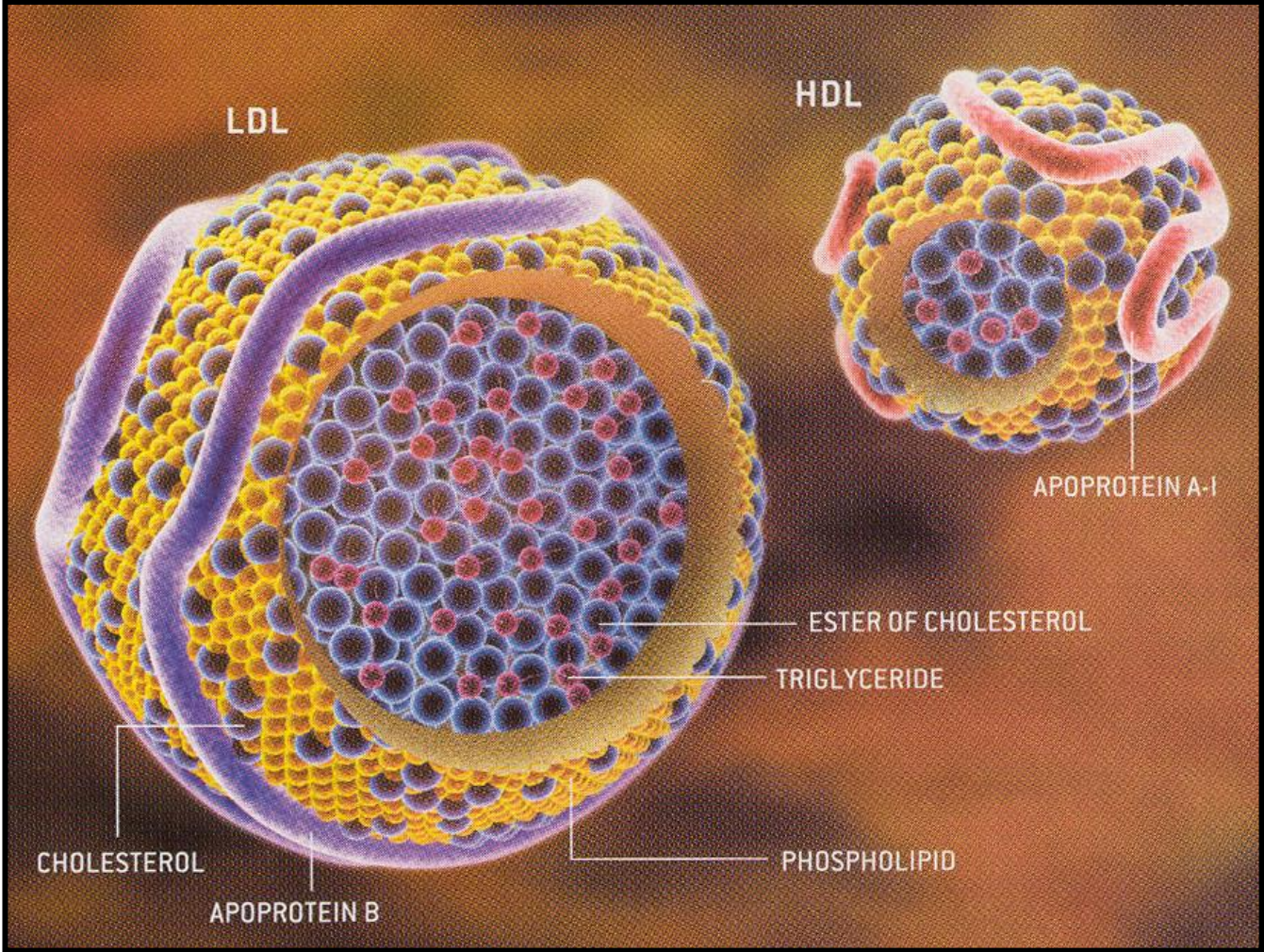
Major cardiovascular risk factors for atherosclerosis



Cholesterol



Structure of cholesterol particules



MAGAZINE D'AOUT 2015
DE LA CAISSE MALADIE CSS

CSS MAGAZINE DOSSIER

Et si le cholestérol n'était pas dangereux?

Le cholestérol a longtemps été considéré comme nocif. Aujourd'hui, ces craintes se dissipent, car cette substance lipodique assume des fonctions essentielles dans l'organisme.


Texte: Vera Sohmer

On parle souvent de «bon» cholestérol pour le premier et de «mauvais» pour le second. Le docteur Imoberdorf ne partage pas cette classification. Il est en effet d'avis que les deux formes de cholestérol accomplissent une mission importante. D'après lui, les personnes en bonne santé n'ont pas à re-

Michel de Lorgeril, M.D.

CHOLESTEROL AND STATINS

SHAM SCIENCE AND BAD MEDICINE




- How pharma-funded research was deliberately biased
- Why statins save no lives but can make you ill

BY THE RESEARCH SCIENTIST
BEHIND THE MEDITERRANEAN DIET AND THE FRENCH PARADOX

Heart Disease and Cholesterol

MYTHS & LIES



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CHOLESTÉROL

LE GRAND BLUFF



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Les DANGERS des STATINES



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Clear relationship between LDL-C and risk of CV events



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Coronary heart disease

A case report of an acute coronary syndrome in a 10-year-old boy with homozygous familial hypercholesterolaemia

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Three years prior to presentation

Appearance of xanthomas (*Figure 1*)

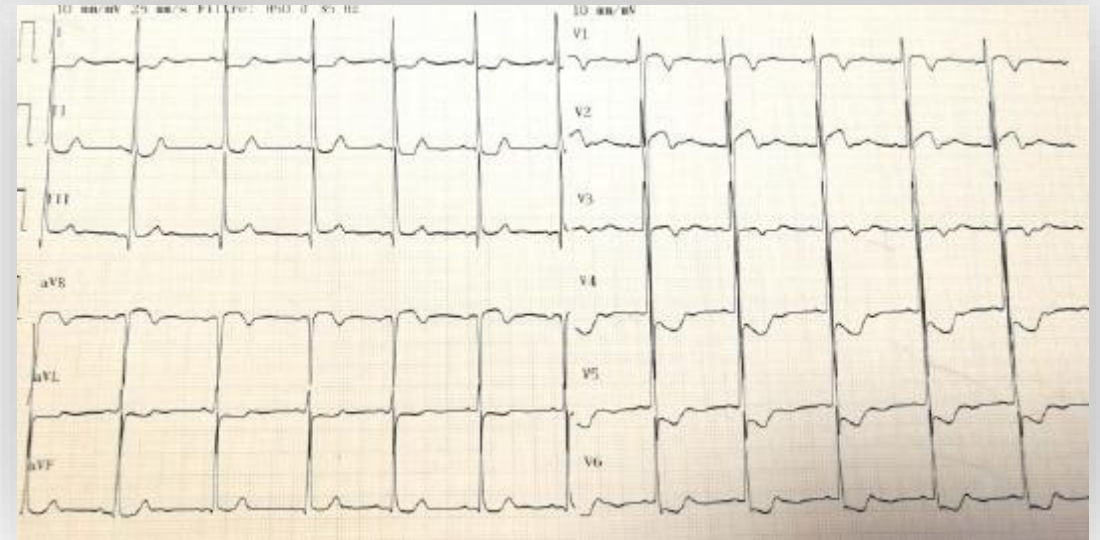
LDL cholesterol (LDL-C): 802 mg/dL (20.73 mmol/L)

Lipoprotein A: 124 mg/dL (4.43 μmol/L)

Genetic diagnosis

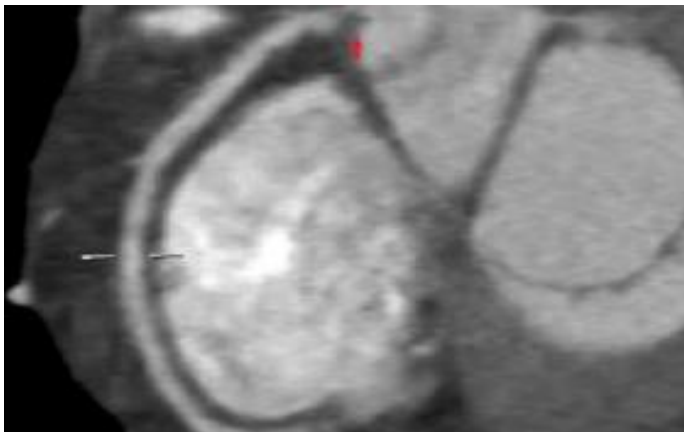
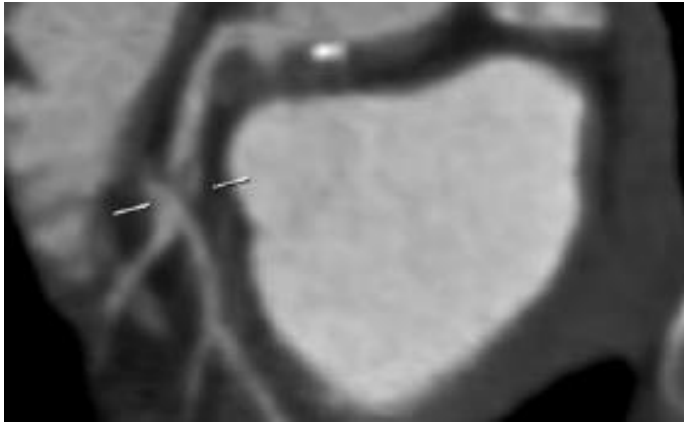
One year prior presentation

Patient put on rosuvastatin 10 mg and ezetimibe 10 mg, LDL-C 650 mg/dL (16.8 mmol/L)

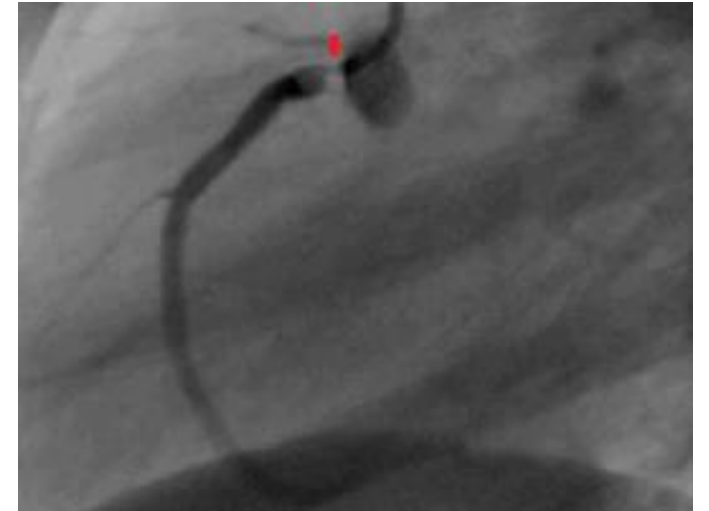


Clear relationship between LDL-C and risk of CV events

Cardiac CT-Scan

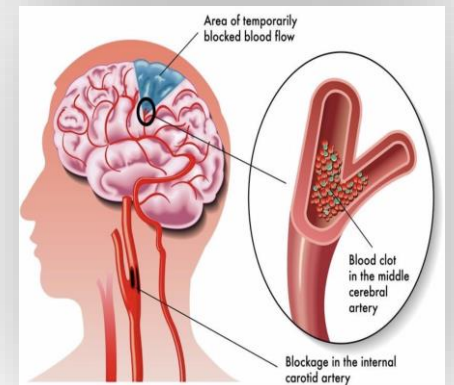
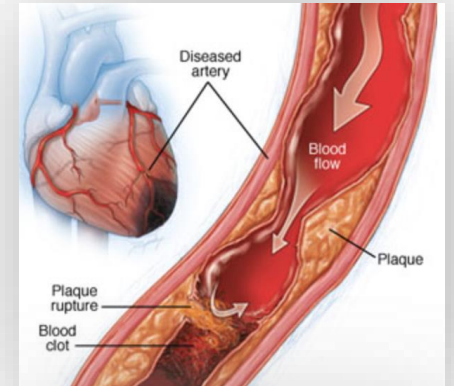
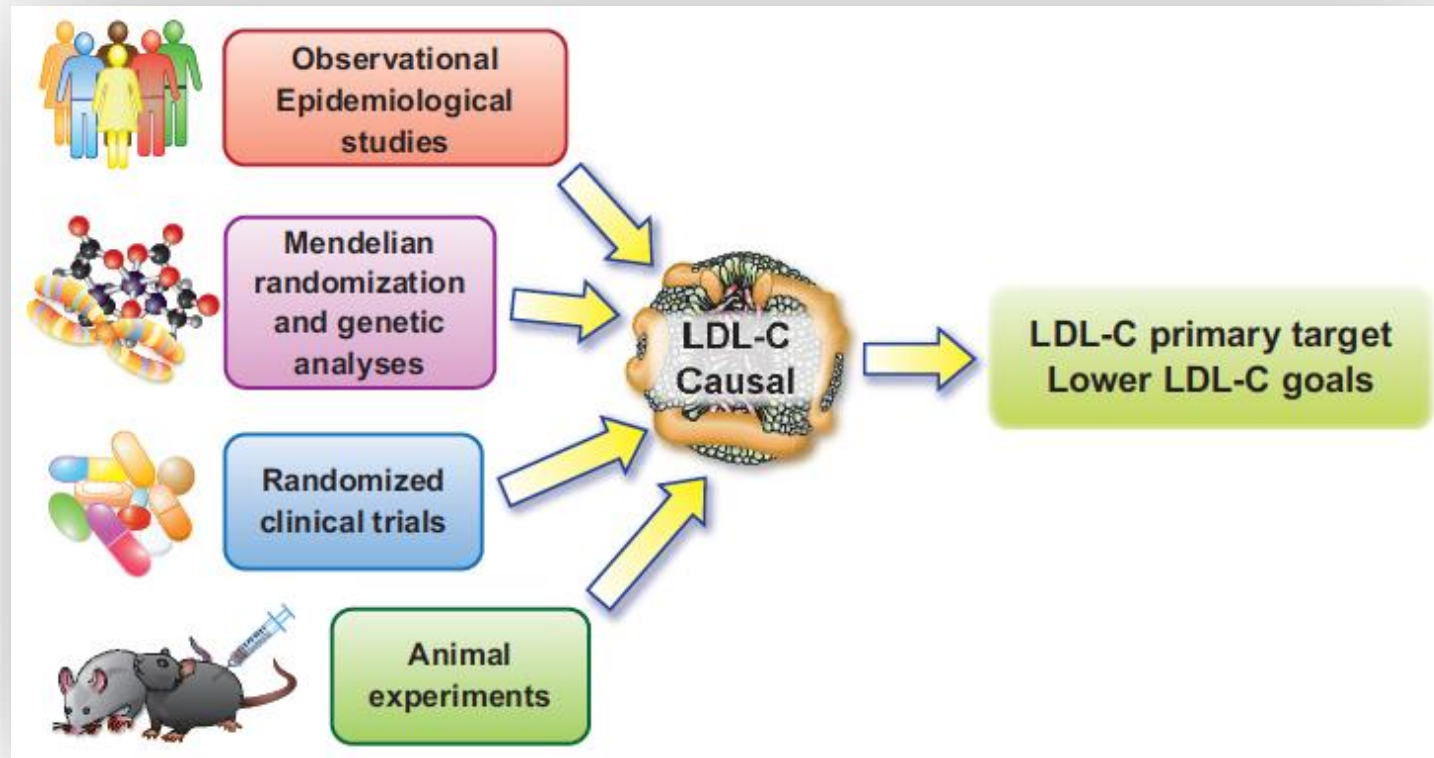


Coronary angiography



LDL-Cholesterol

LDL-C is the main driver for atherosclerosis: 4 compelling lines of evidence



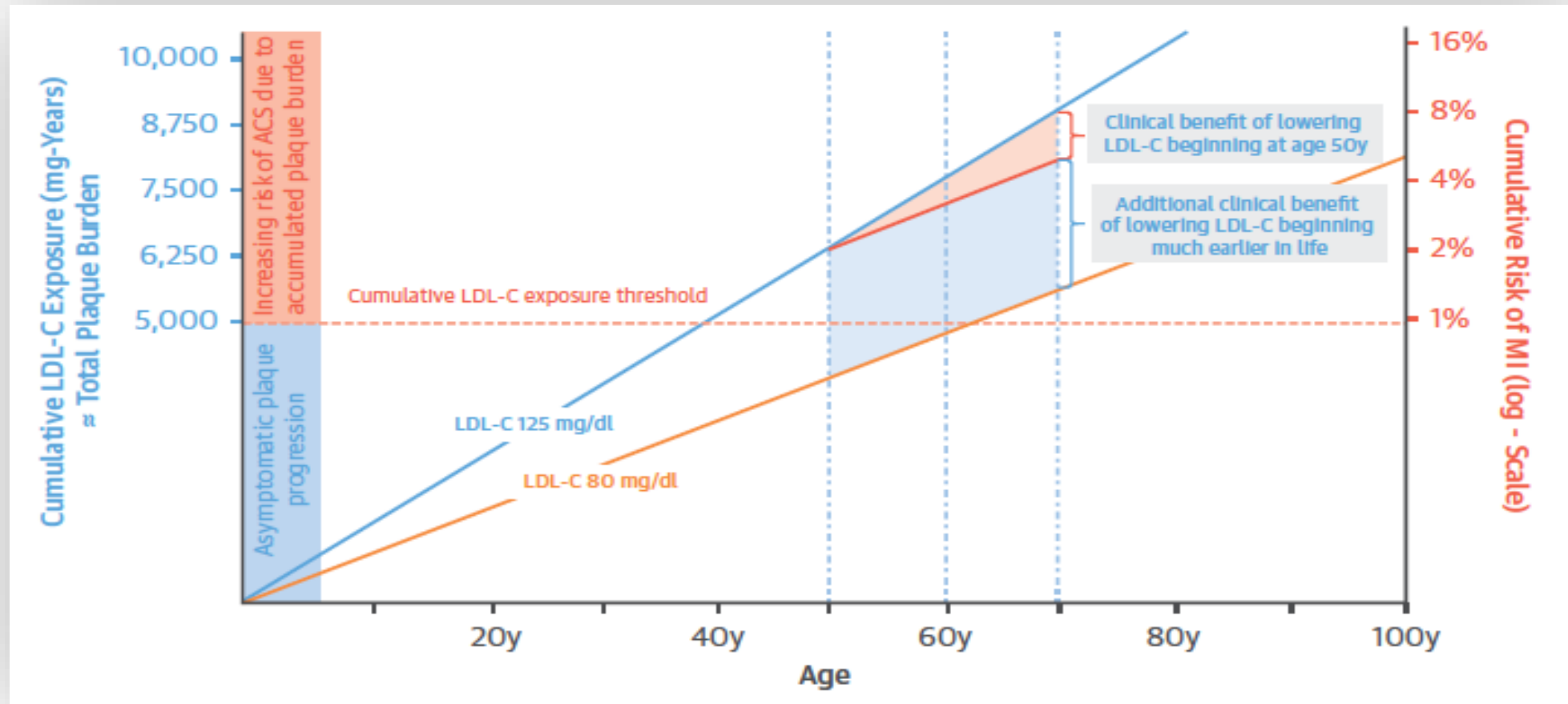
LDL-Cholesterol and Atherosclerosis

Table 1 Criteria for causality: low-density lipoprotein (LDL) and atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD)

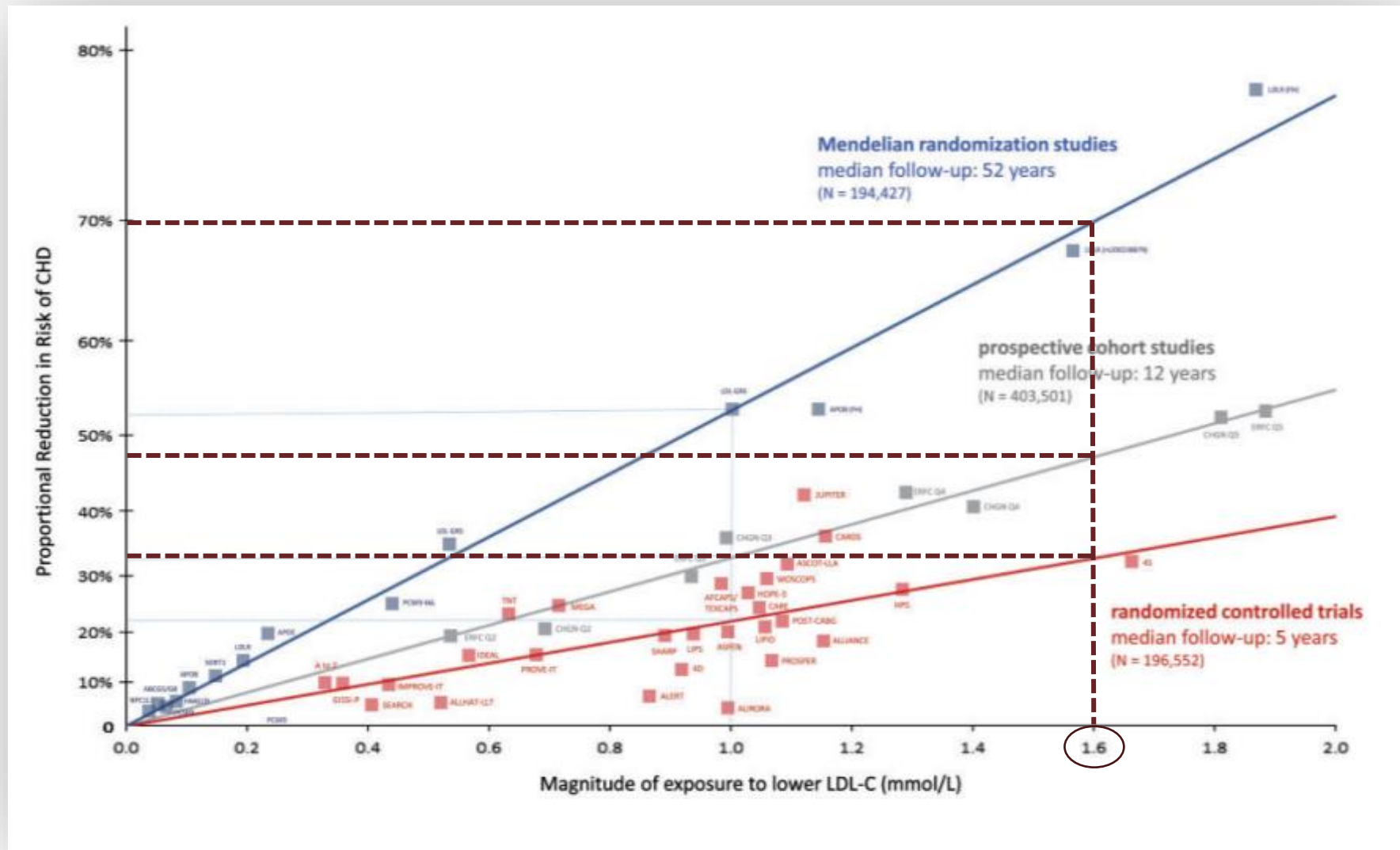
Criterion (modified from reference ⁵)	Evidence grade	Summary of the evidence (references)
1. Plausibility	1	LDL and other apolipoprotein (apo) B-containing lipoproteins (very low-density lipoprotein and their remnants, intermediate-density lipoprotein and lipoprotein(a)) are directly implicated in the initiation and progression of ASCVD; experimentally induced elevations in plasma LDL and other apo B-containing lipoproteins lead to atherosclerosis in all mammalian species studied. ^{2,5-12}
2. Strength	1	Monogenic and polygenic-mediated lifelong elevations in LDL cholesterol are associated with a 2-fold increase in lifetime risk. ^{13-20,27-31,40,43}
3. Biological gradient	1	Monogenic lipid disorders, prospective cohort studies, Mendelian randomization studies, and randomized intervention trials uniformly demonstrate a dose-dependent association between the absolute magnitude of exposure to LDL and risk of ASCVD. ^{13-20,27-31,40,42-47}
4. Temporal sequence	1	Monogenic lipid disorders and Mendelian randomization studies demonstrate that exposure to elevated LDL precedes the development of atherosclerosis. ^{13-20,27-31,40,42-47}
5. Specificity	1	Mendelian randomization studies and randomized intervention trials both provide unconfounded randomized evidence that LDL cholesterol is associated with ASCVD independent of other risk factors. ^{28,31-33,40,43}
6. Consistency	1	Large-scale Mendelian randomization studies involving more than 2 million participants with over 20 million person-years of follow-up and prospective cohort studies involving more than 150 000 cardiovascular events consistently demonstrate a dose-dependent, log-linear association between the absolute magnitude of exposure to LDL and risk of ASCVD. ^{13-22,27-36,38-40,42-47}
7. Coherence	1	Monogenic lipid disorders, prospective cohort studies, Mendelian randomization studies, and randomized intervention trials all show a dose-dependent, log-linear association between the absolute magnitude of exposure to LDL and risk of ASCVD. ^{15-18,21,22,28,30-32,35,36,43,44,47}
8. Reduction in risk with intervention	1	More than 30 randomized trials involving over 200 000 participants and 30 000 ASCVD events evaluating therapies specifically designed to lower LDL (including statins, ezetimibe, and PCSK9 inhibitors) consistently demonstrate that reducing LDL cholesterol (LDL-C) reduces the risk of ASCVD events proportional to the absolute reduction in LDL-C. ^{32-34,38,39,42,45-47}

LDL-C is causal of atherosclerosis

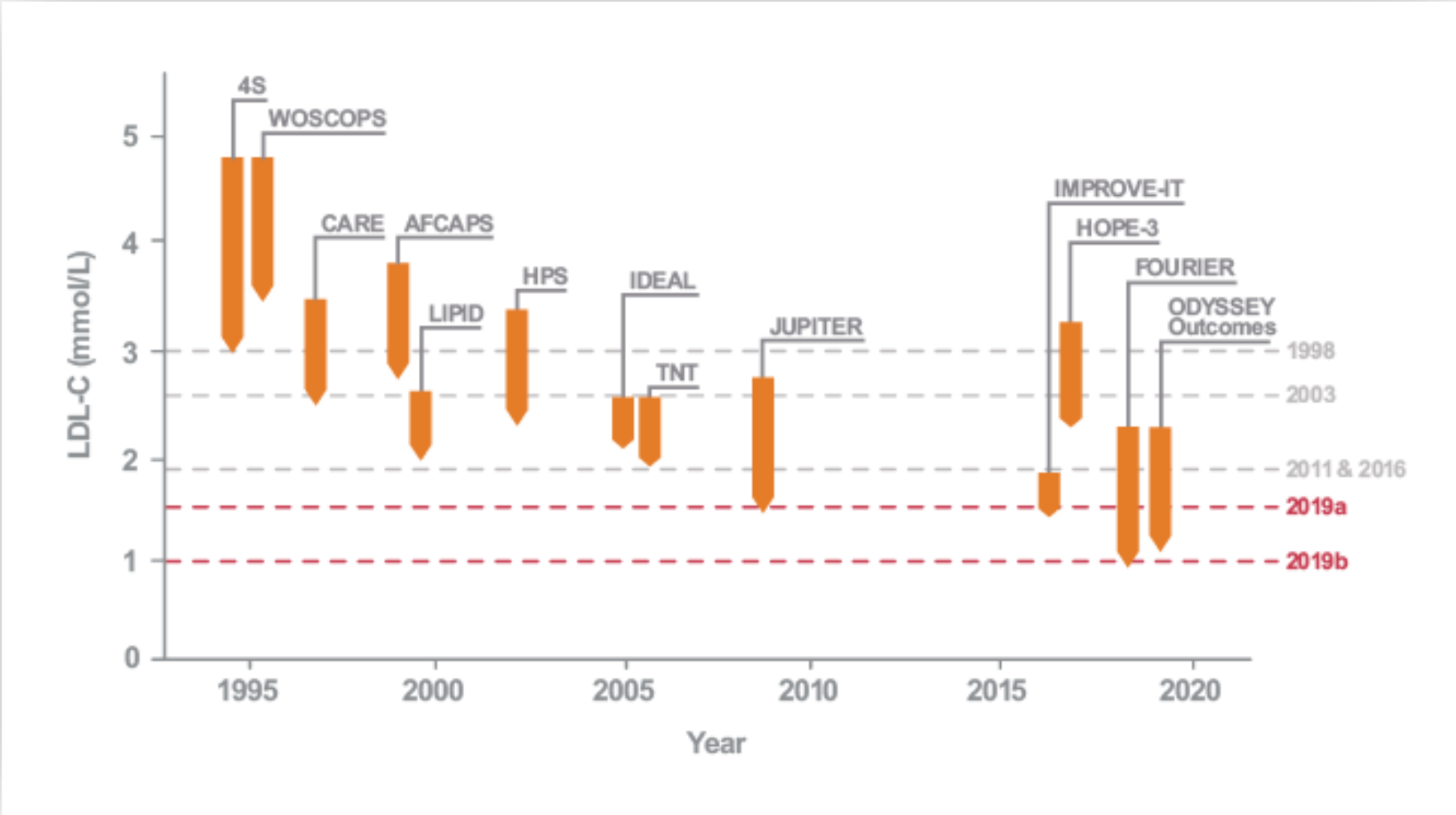
Time-Exposure to LDL-C



Time-Exposure to low LDL-C



History of LDL-C lowering trials



Intensity of pharmacological LDL-C lowering

Intensity of lipid lowering treatment

Treatment	Average LDL-C reduction
Moderate intensity statin	≈ 30%
High intensity statin	≈ 50%
High intensity statin plus ezetimibe	≈ 65%
PCSK9 inhibitor	≈ 60%
PCSK9 inhibitor plus high intensity statin	≈ 75%
PCSK9 inhibitor plus high intensity statin plus ezetimibe	≈ 85%



2019 ESC/EAS Guidelines for the management of dyslipidaemias: lipid modification to reduce cardiovascular risk

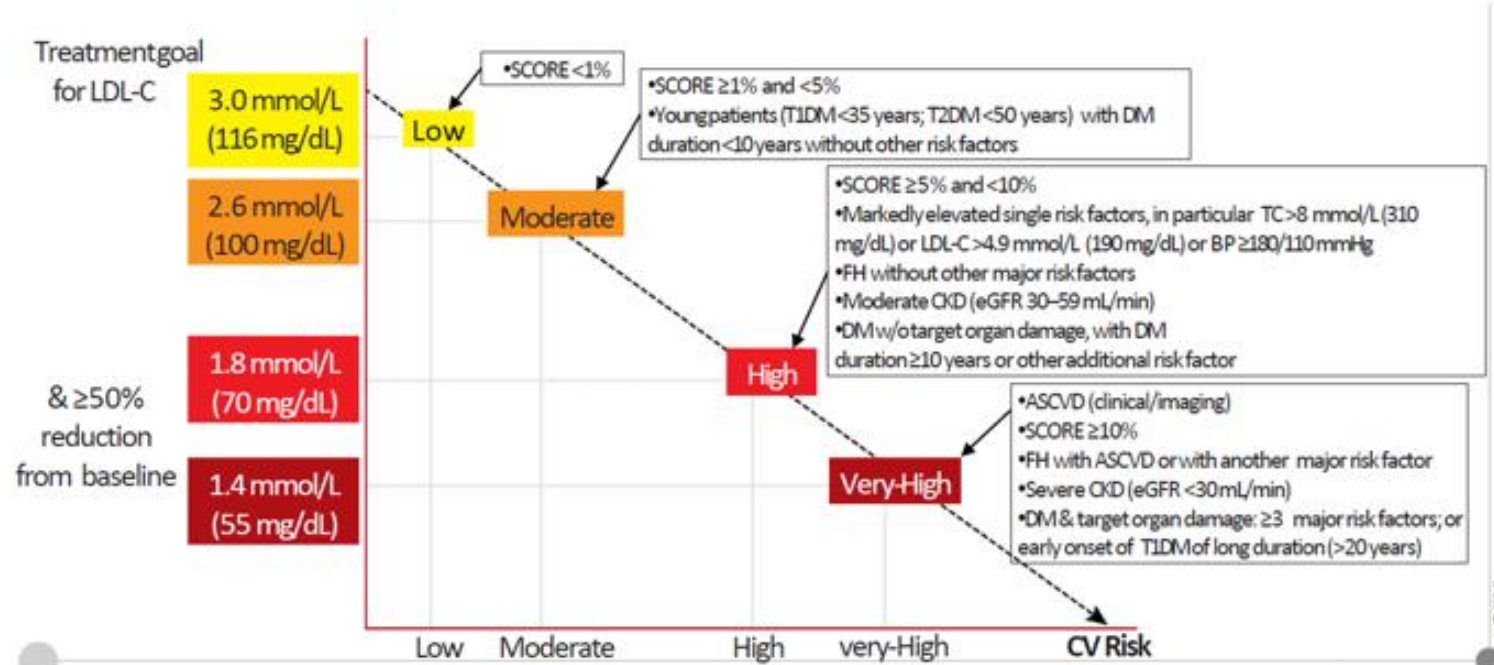
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DYSLIPIDAEMIAS
Guidelines for the Management of Dyslipidaemias: Lipid Modification to Reduce Cardiovascular Risk

Treatment goals for LDL-C across categories of total cardiovascular disease risk



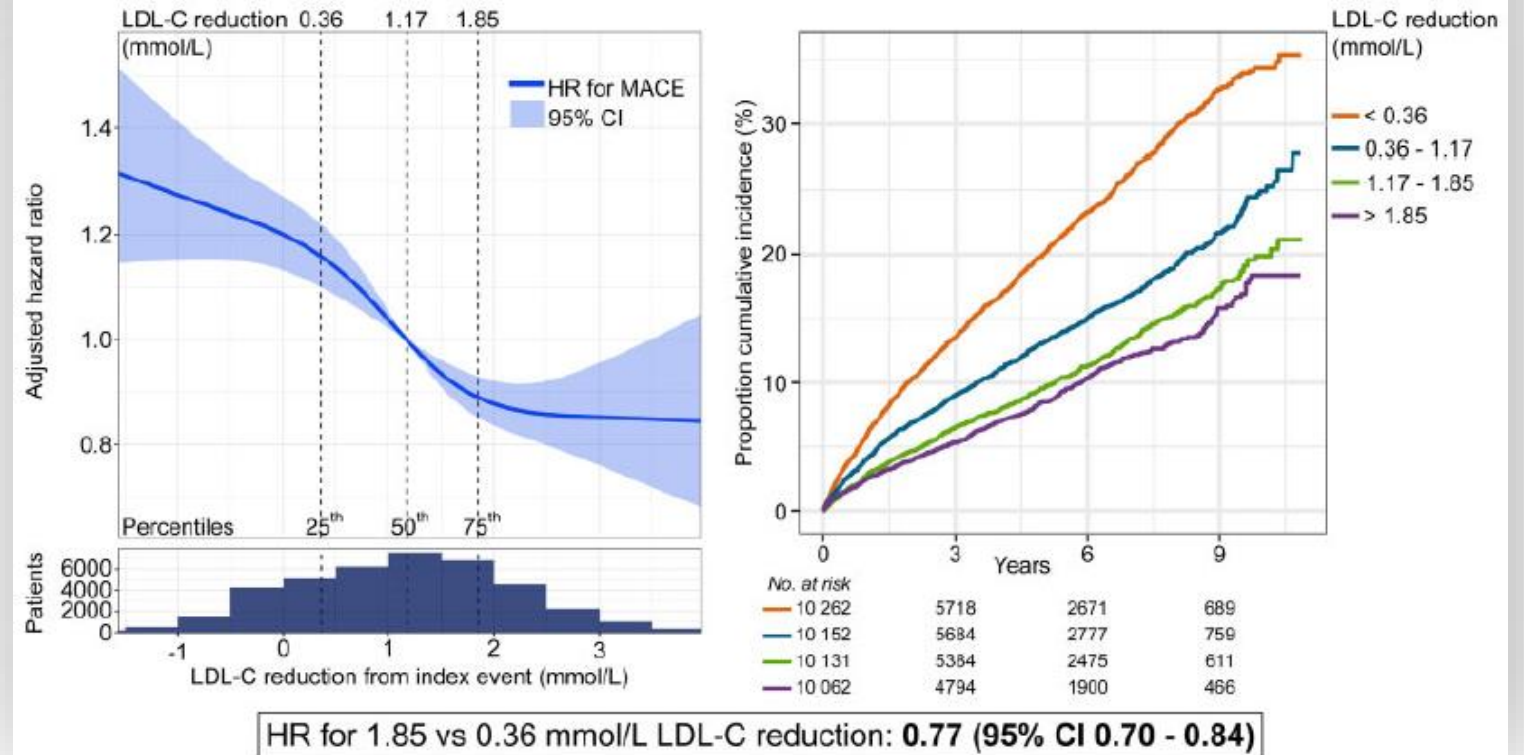
LDL-C : should we go lower after ACS ?

Low-density lipoprotein cholesterol reduction and statin intensity in myocardial infarction patients and major adverse outcomes: a Swedish nationwide cohort study

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40'607 patients after acute myocardial infarction

Adjusted hazard ratio and incidence rates for major adverse cardiovascular events by change in LDL-C 6-10 weeks after myocardial infarction



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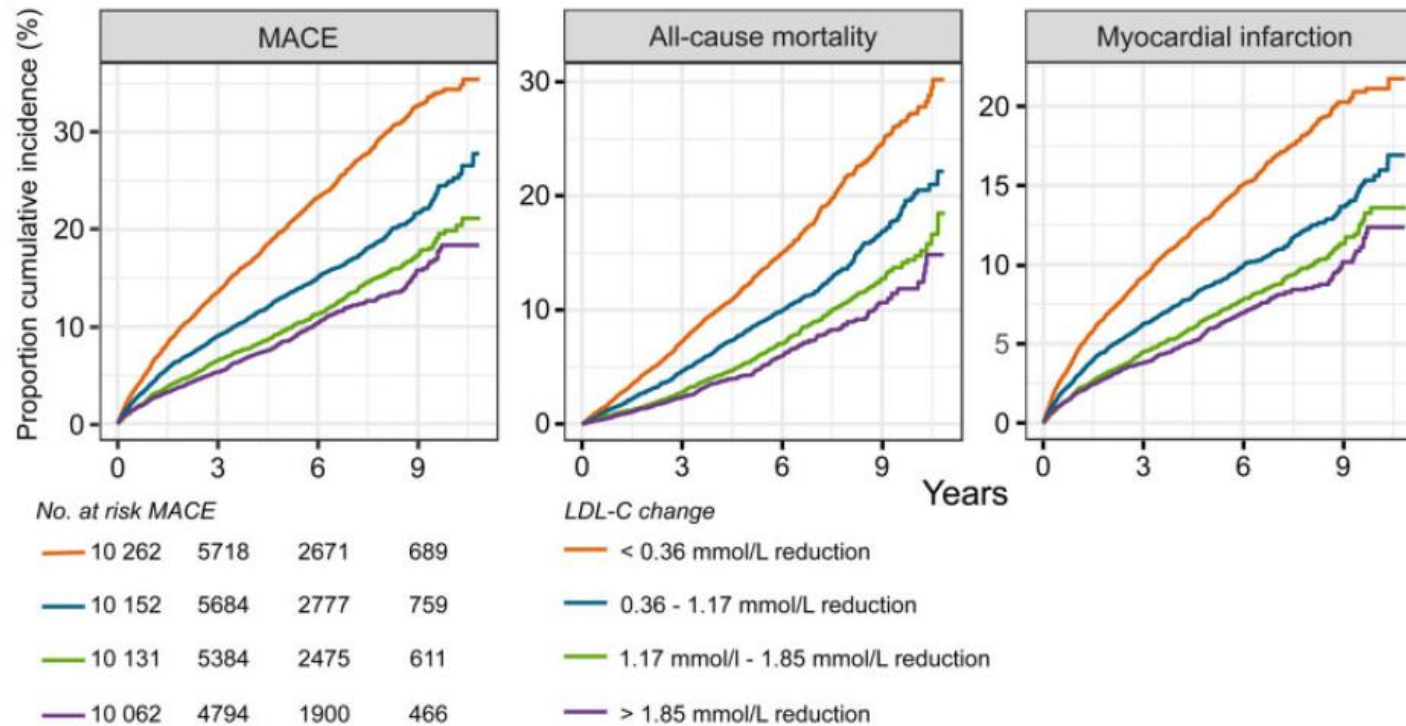
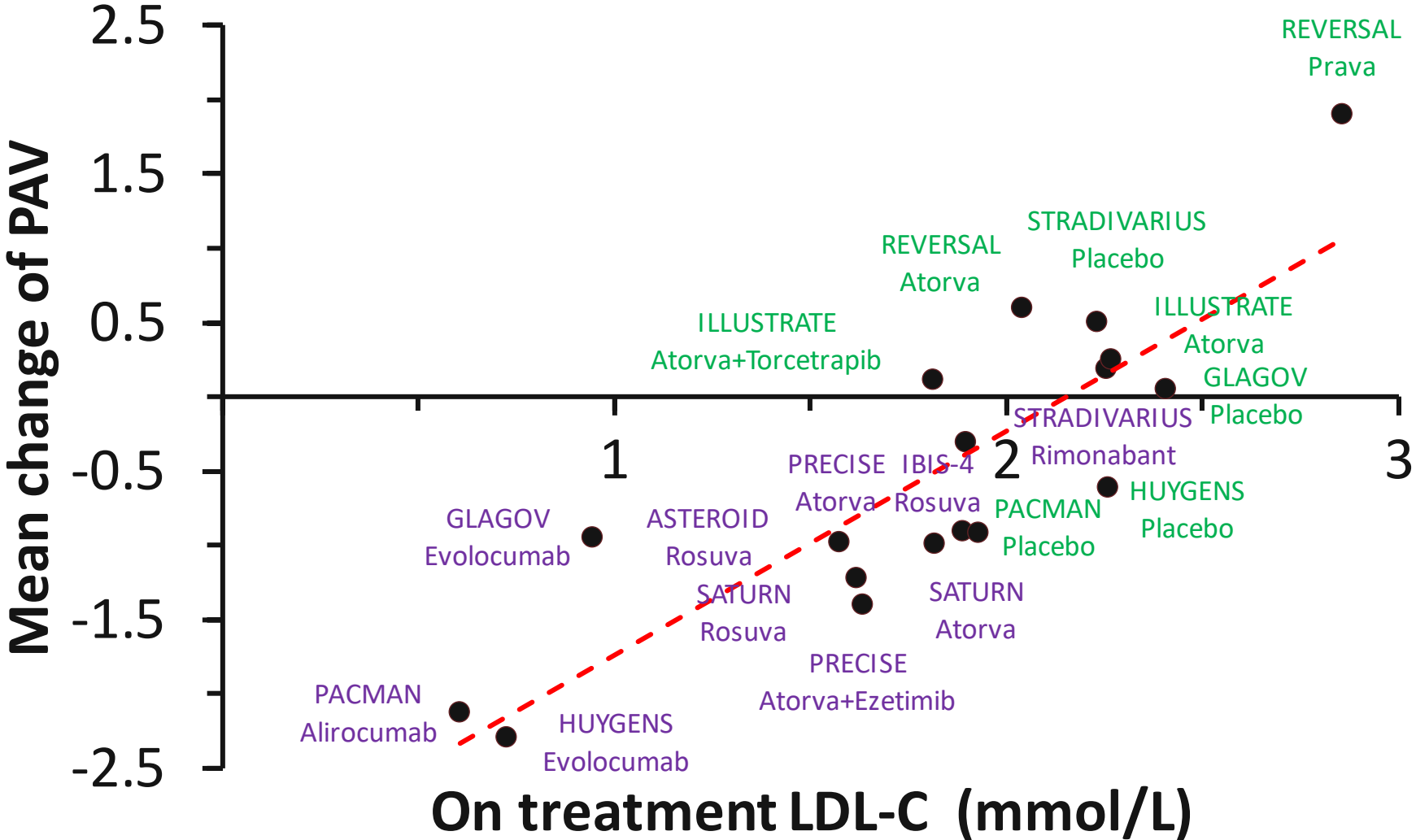


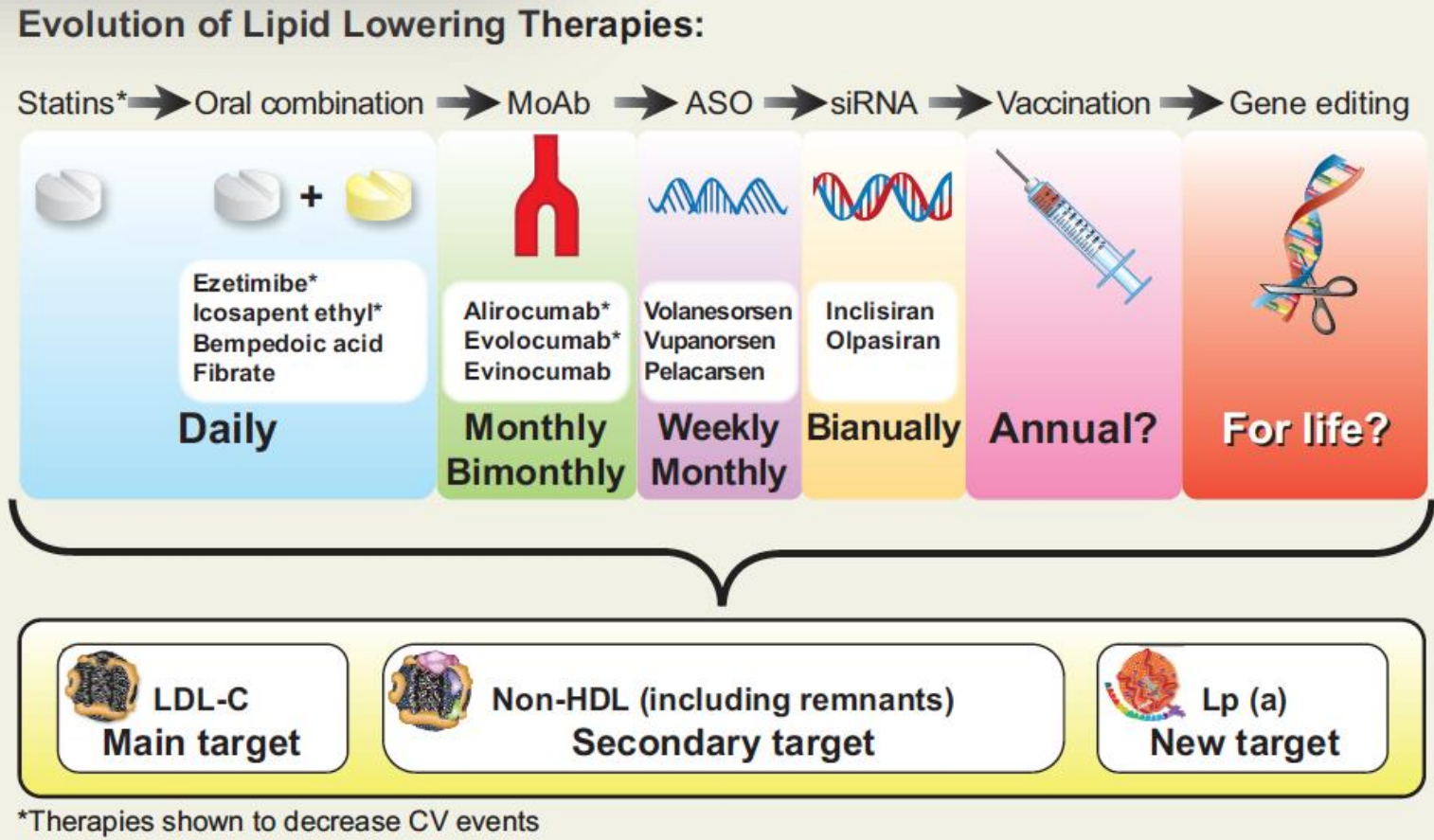
Figure 1 Kaplan–Meier curves of the cumulative incidence rates by quartile low-density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-C) change from index event to the cardiac rehabilitation visit. Outcomes are assessed after the cardiac rehabilitation visit. Numbers at risk shown for MACE. MACE, major adverse cardiovascular event is the composite outcome of cardiovascular mortality, myocardial infarction, and ischaemic stroke.

Atherosclerosis plaque regression with lipid lowering therapies



The dawn of a new era of targeted lipid-lowering therapies

Lale Tokgözoğlu¹ and Peter Libby^{2*}



The modern concept of lipid-lowering strategies to reduce cardiovascular diseases

I: Start as early as possible

Screening for familial hypercholesterolemia

II: Treat (much more) aggressively

From desirable target to “LDL elimination in the blood”

III: New LDL-C targets for very-high risk

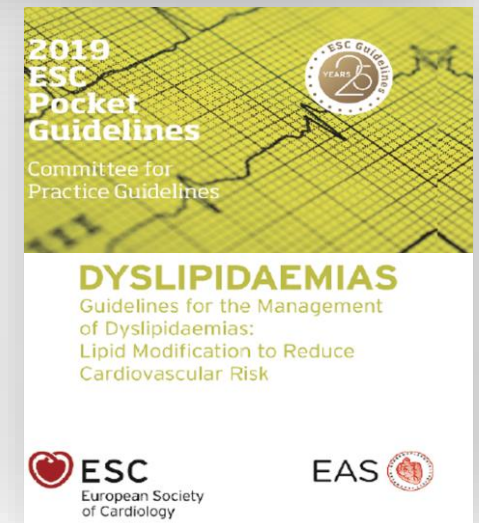
50% reduction from baseline AND < 1.4 mmol/L (55 mg/dL)

IV: Use more lipid-lowering combination therapies

Statins +/- Ezetimibe +/- Bempedoic Acid +/- PCSK9 inhibitors (mAbs)

V: The lower, the better and the lower for life-long

LDL-C lowering with great efficacy, safety and full adherence will reduce the risk of CV events



Cardiologie Préventive

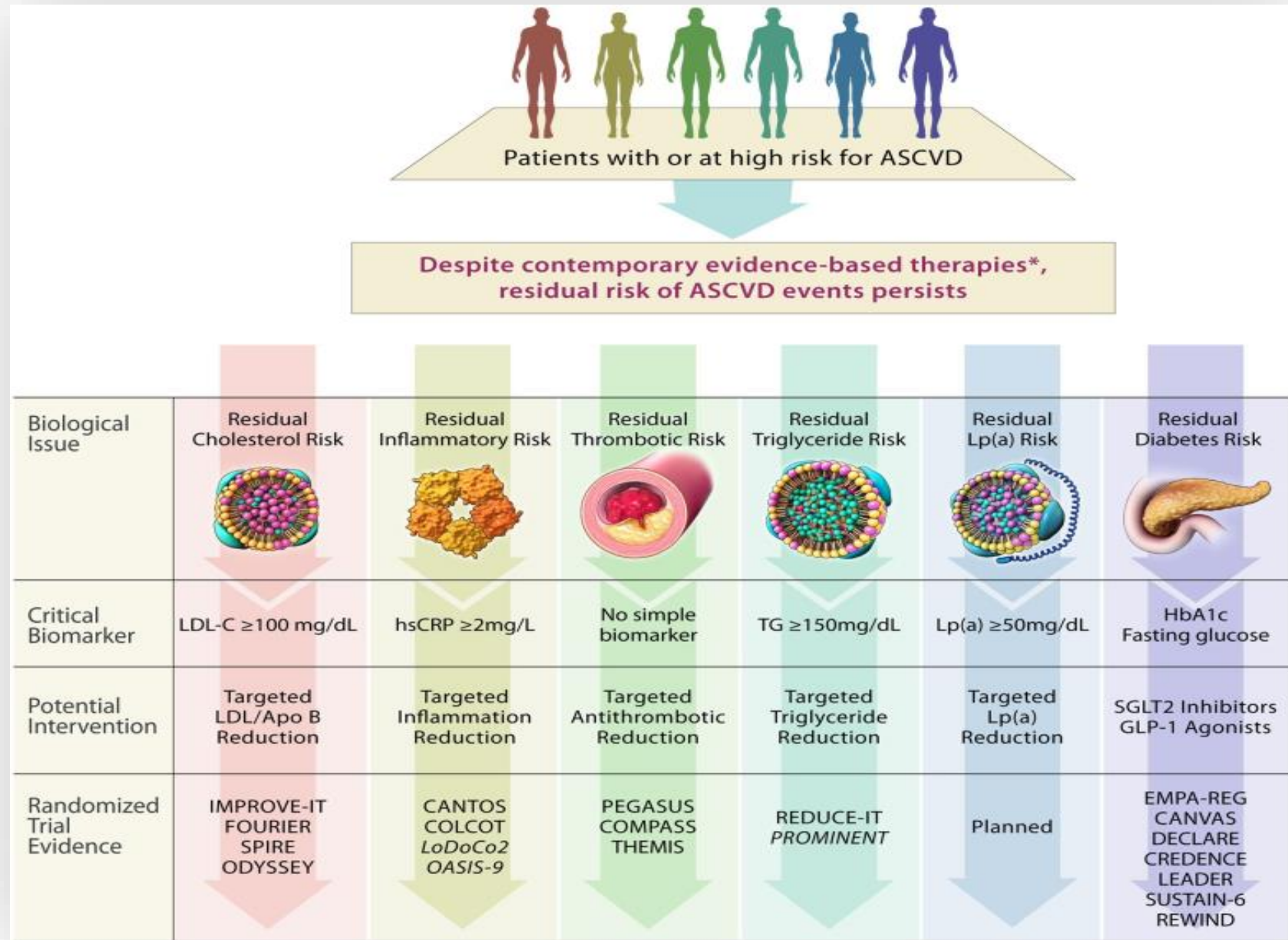
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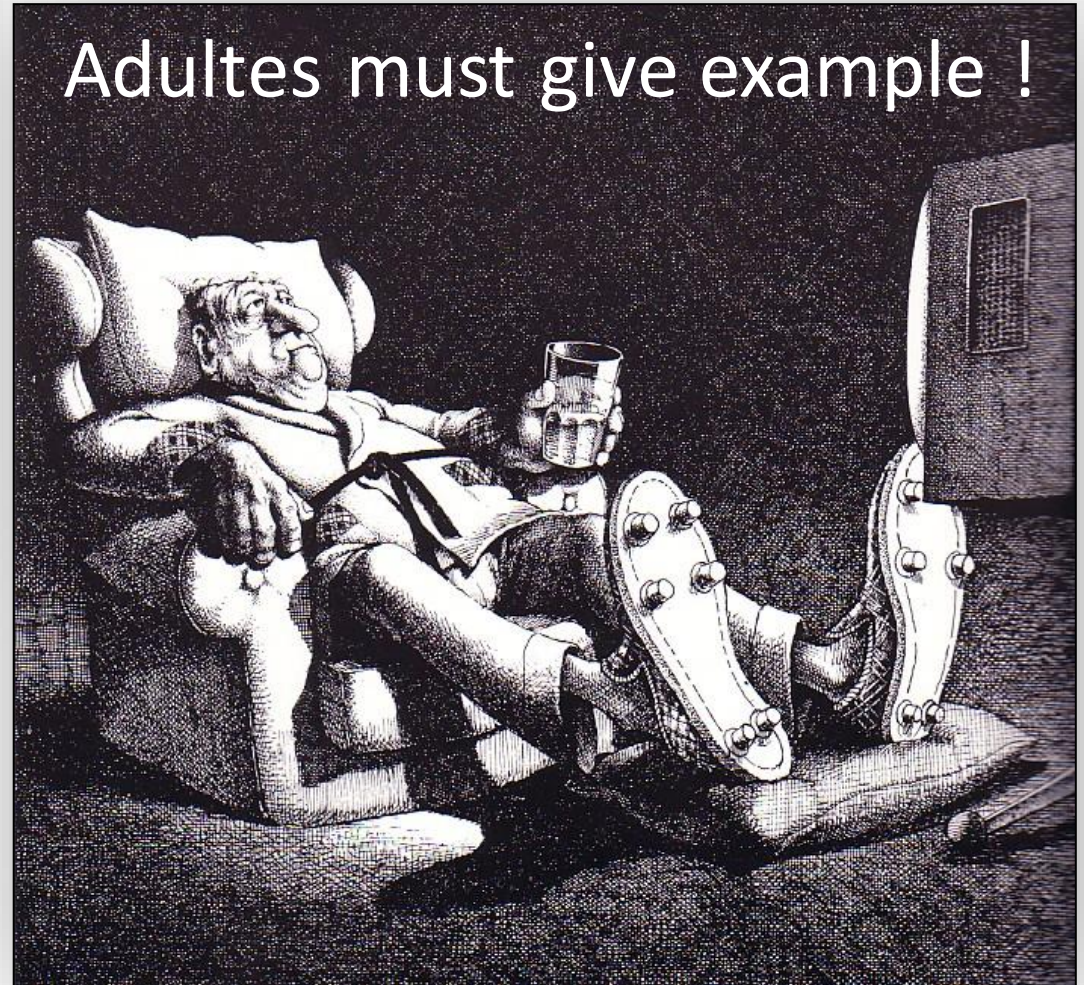
Residual Risk



Prevention should start as early as possible...



Adults must give example !

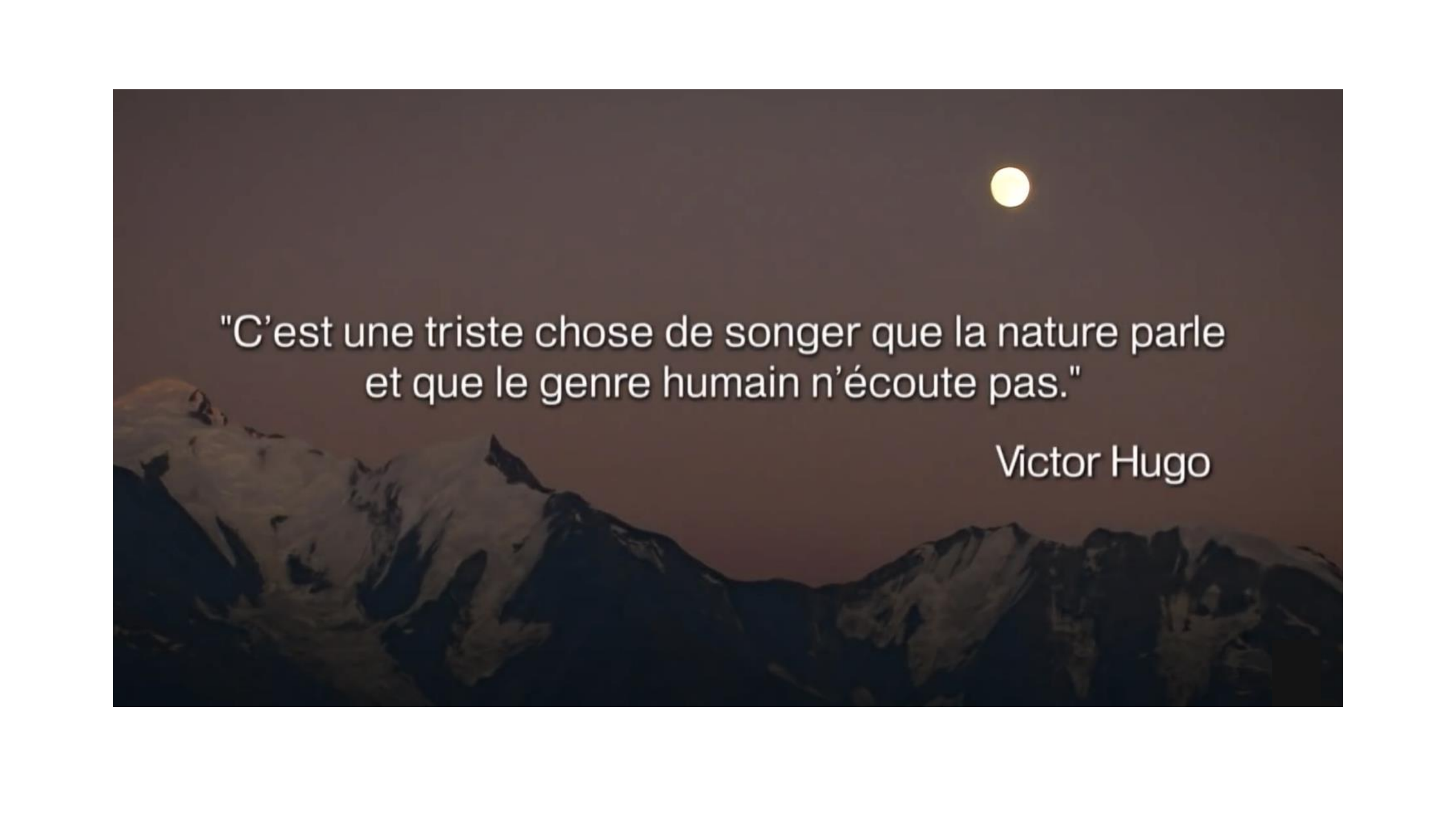




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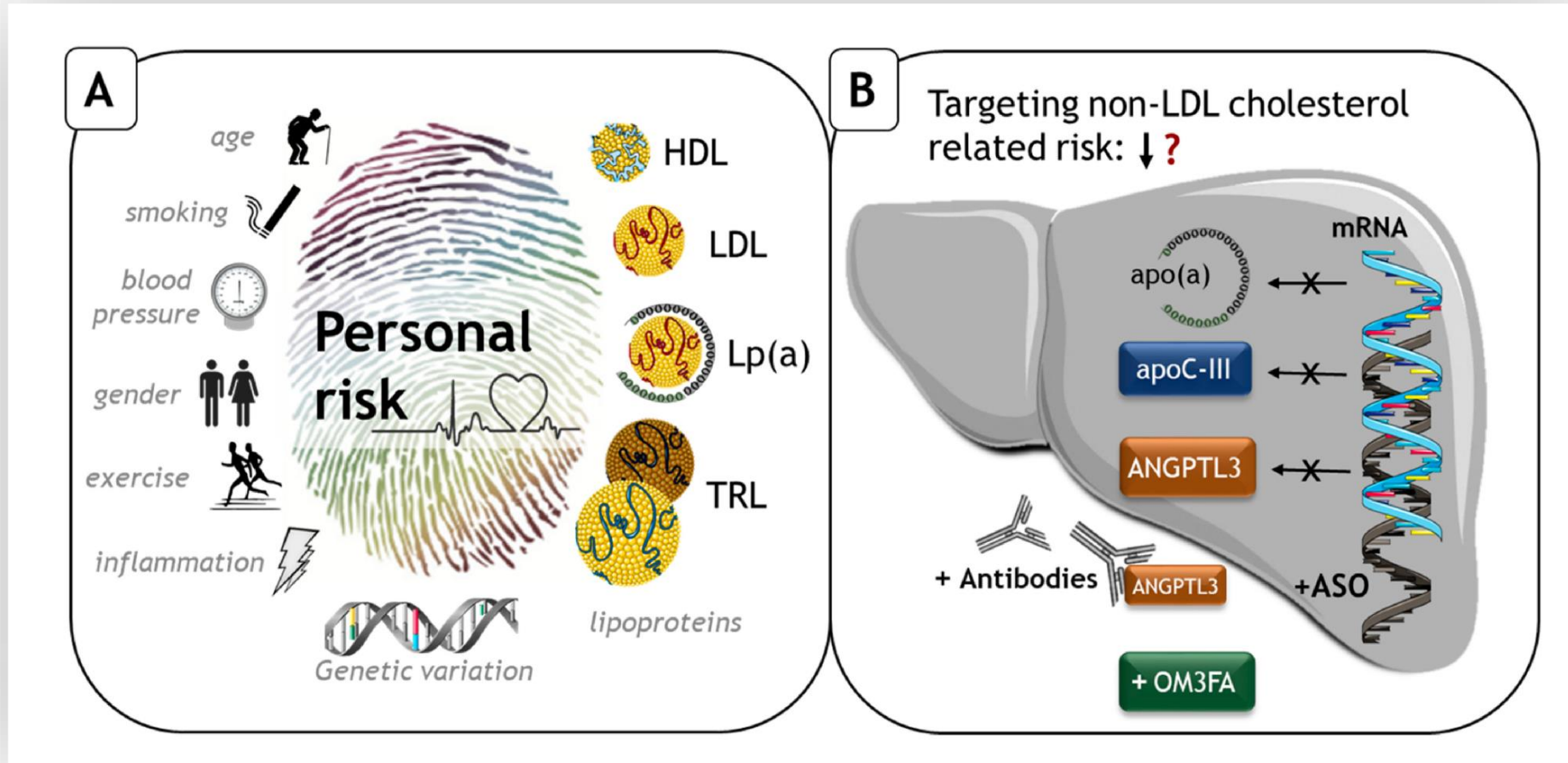




"C'est une triste chose de songer que la nature parle
et que le genre humain n'écoute pas."

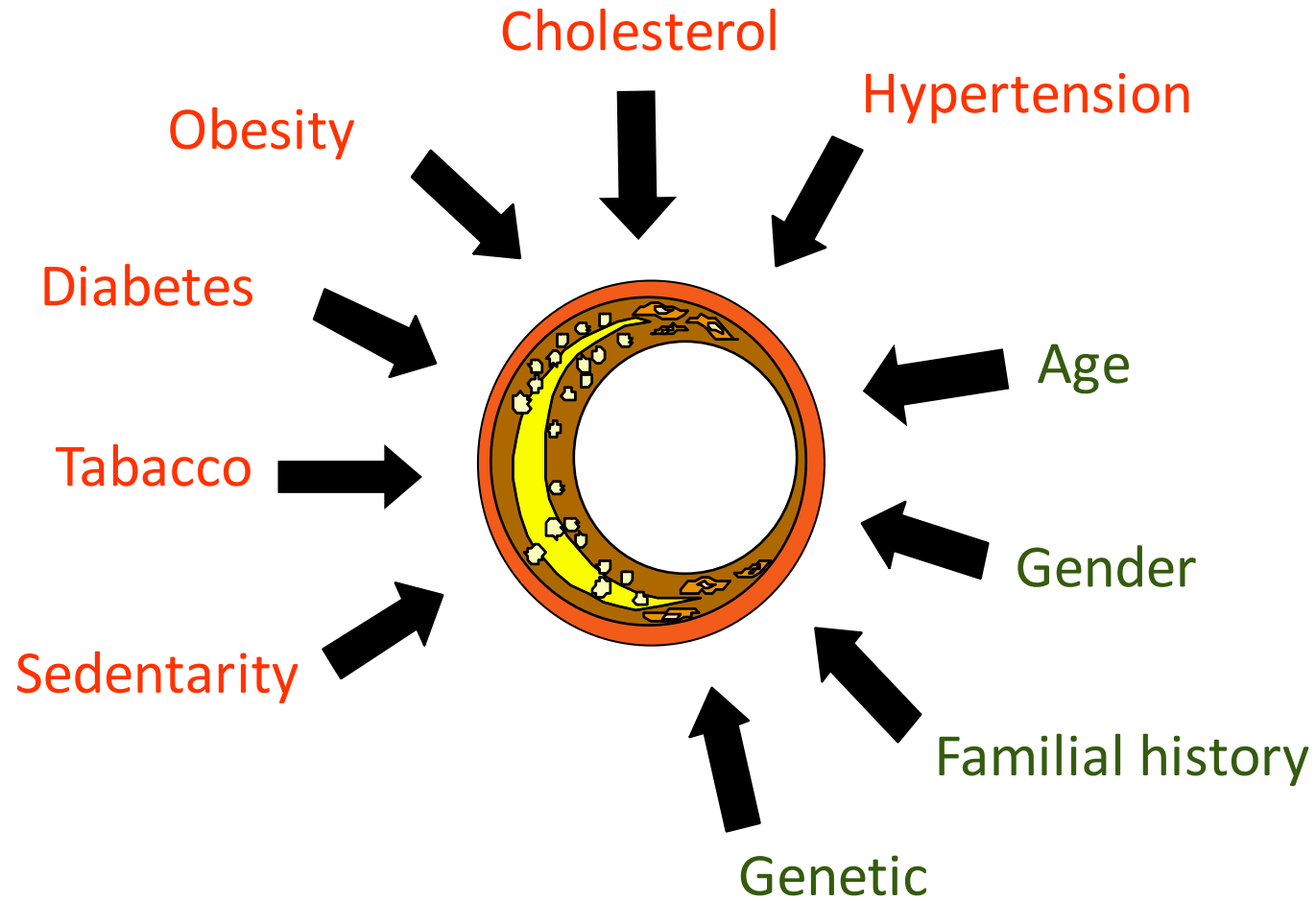
Victor Hugo

Novel lipid lowering drugs: PCSK9 and beyond



Cardiovascular risk factors

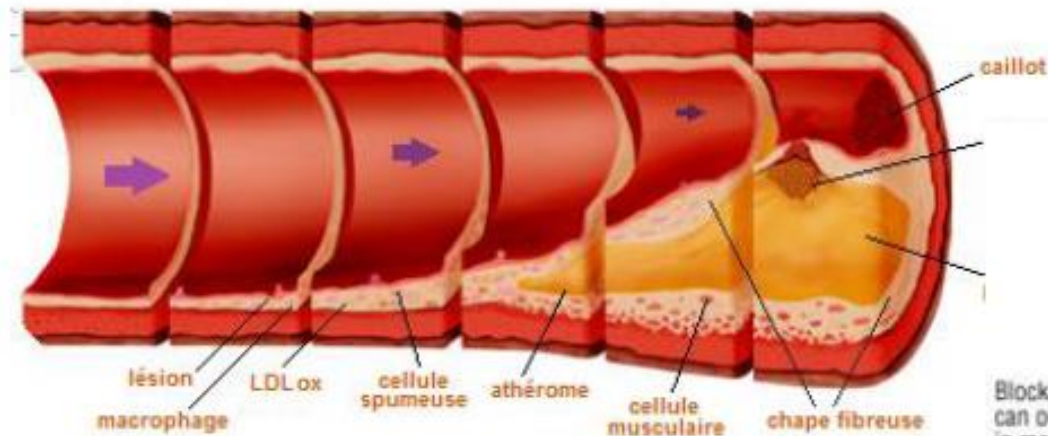
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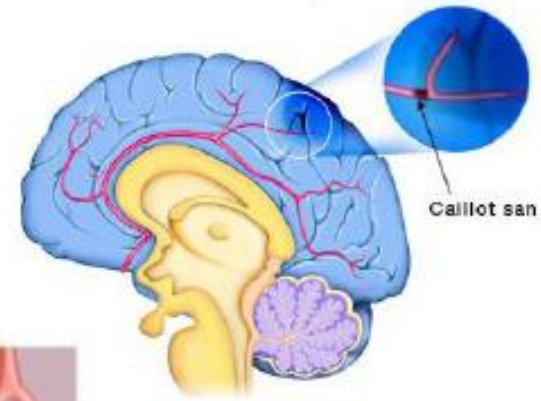
Non-modifiables

Atherosclerosis

Athérosclérose



10-20 ans



Blockages can occur in more than one vessel

Muscle below blockage begins to die

