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The Lower The Better: How To Optimize Statin Therapy for Very-high and High Risk ASCVD Patients in Dyslipidemia?

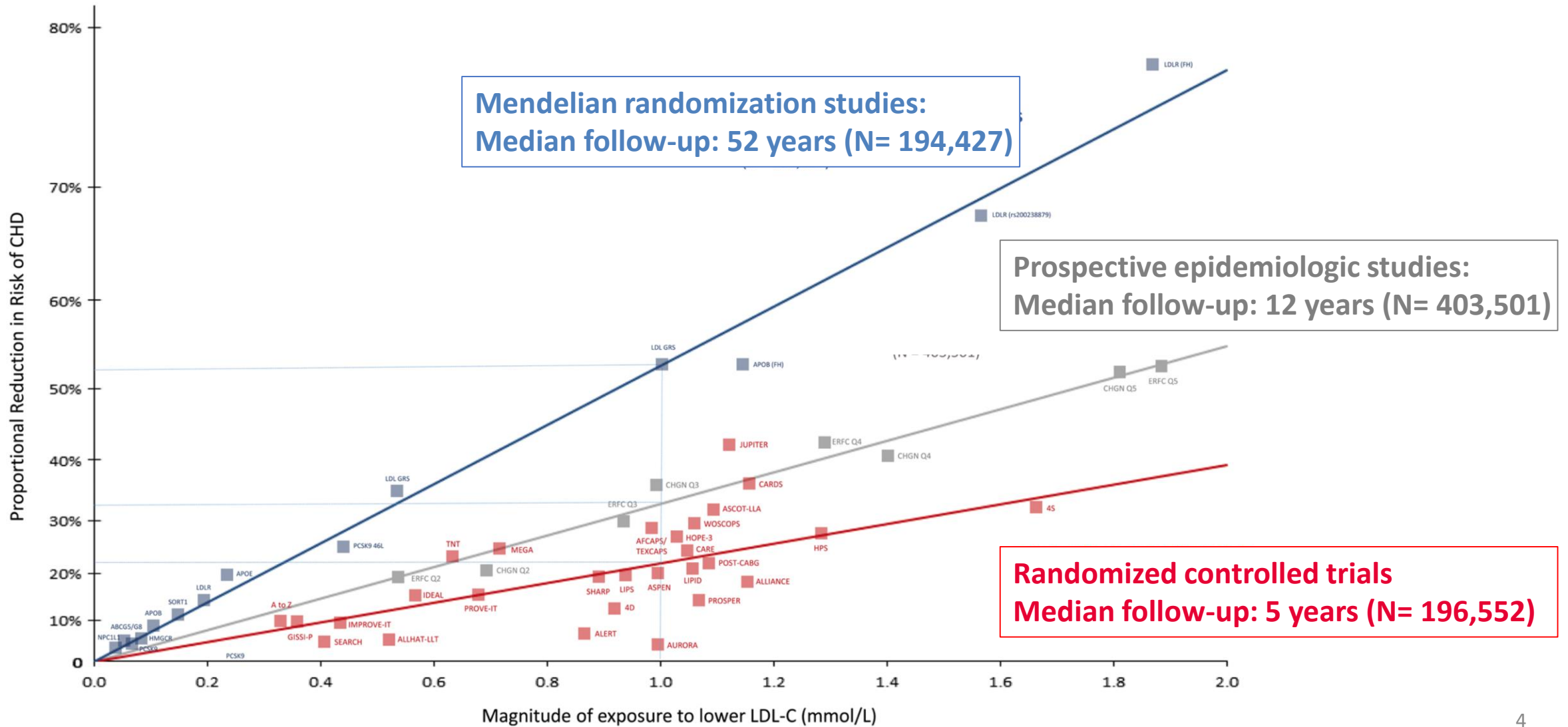
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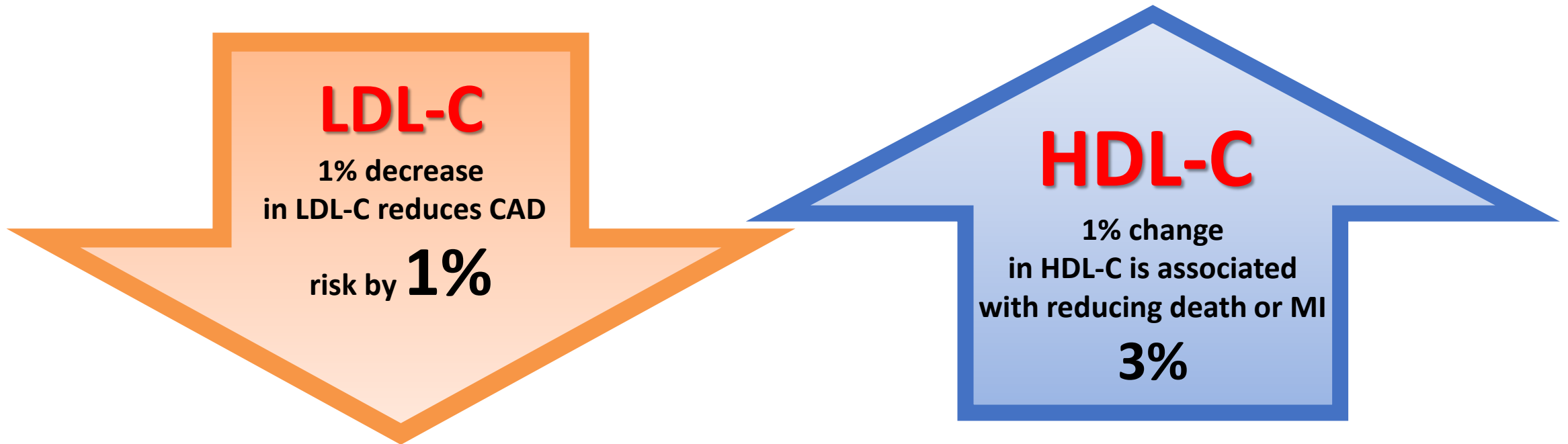
Unmet Need in Hyperlipidemia

LDL cause atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD) : Evidence from genetic, epidemiologic, and clinical studies



The Lower the better

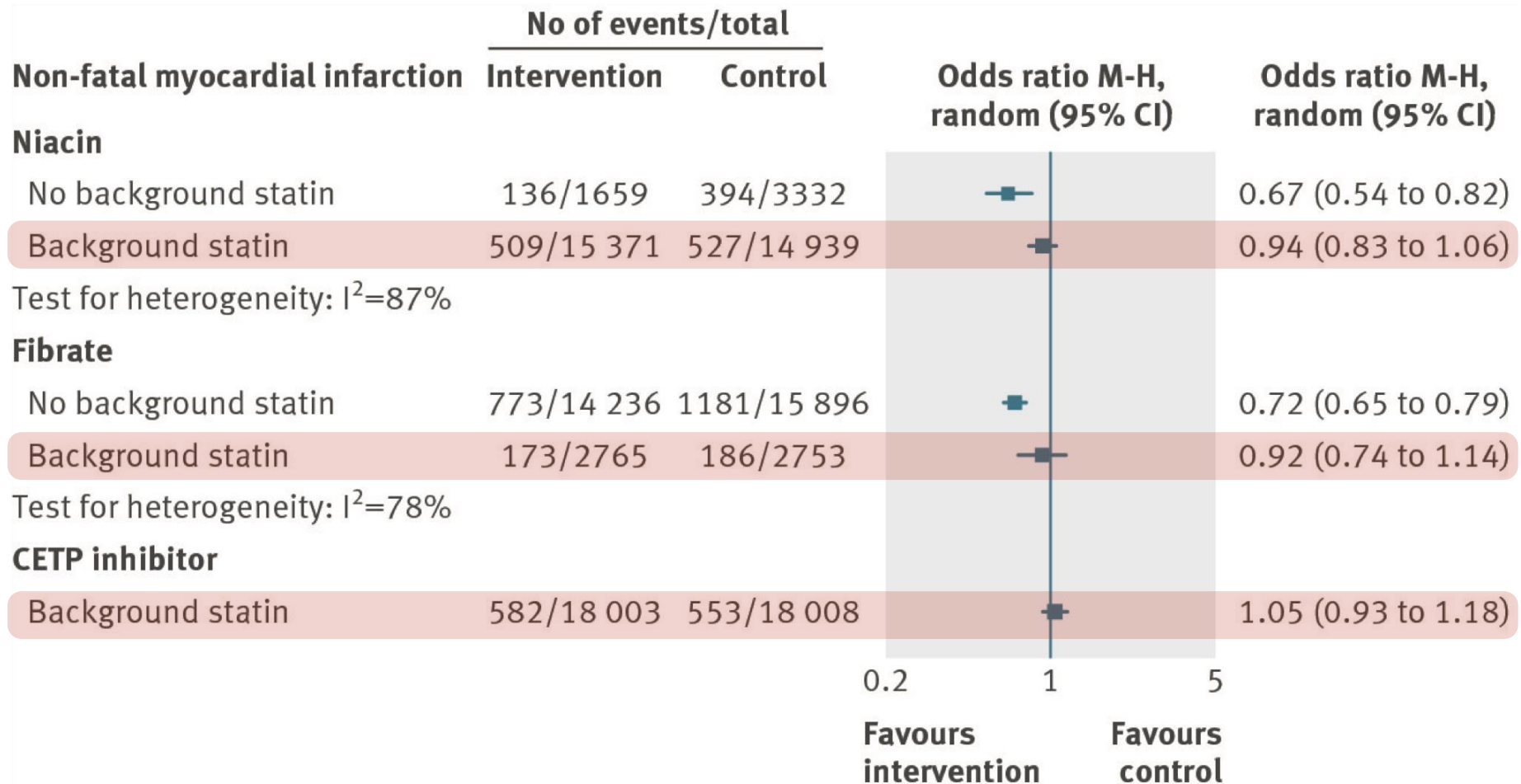
- Reduce CAD risk by the additive benefit of concomitant reduction of LDL-C and raising of HDL-C



CAD = coronary artery diseases; HDL-C = high density lipoprotein-cholesterol; LDL-C = low density lipoprotein-cholesterol;
MI = myocardial infarction

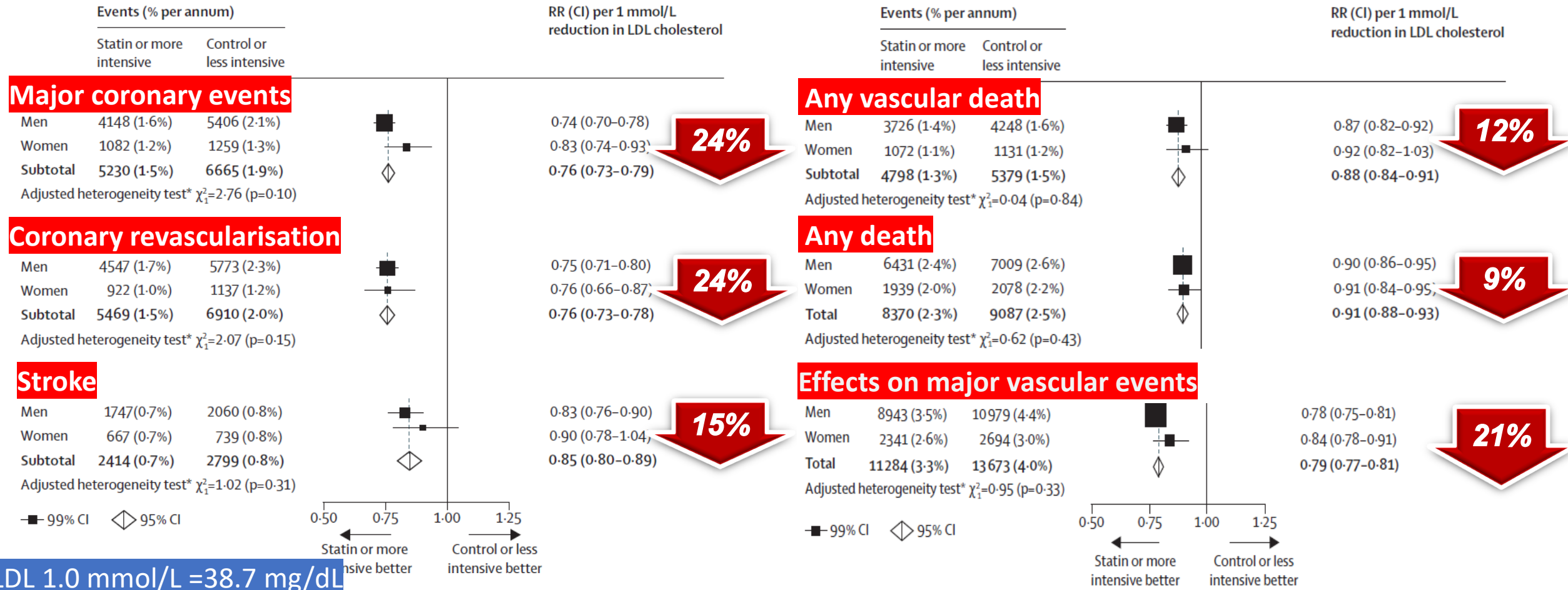
TG/HDL-targeted drugs had no effect on CV outcomes

meta-analysis of RCT including 117,411 patients



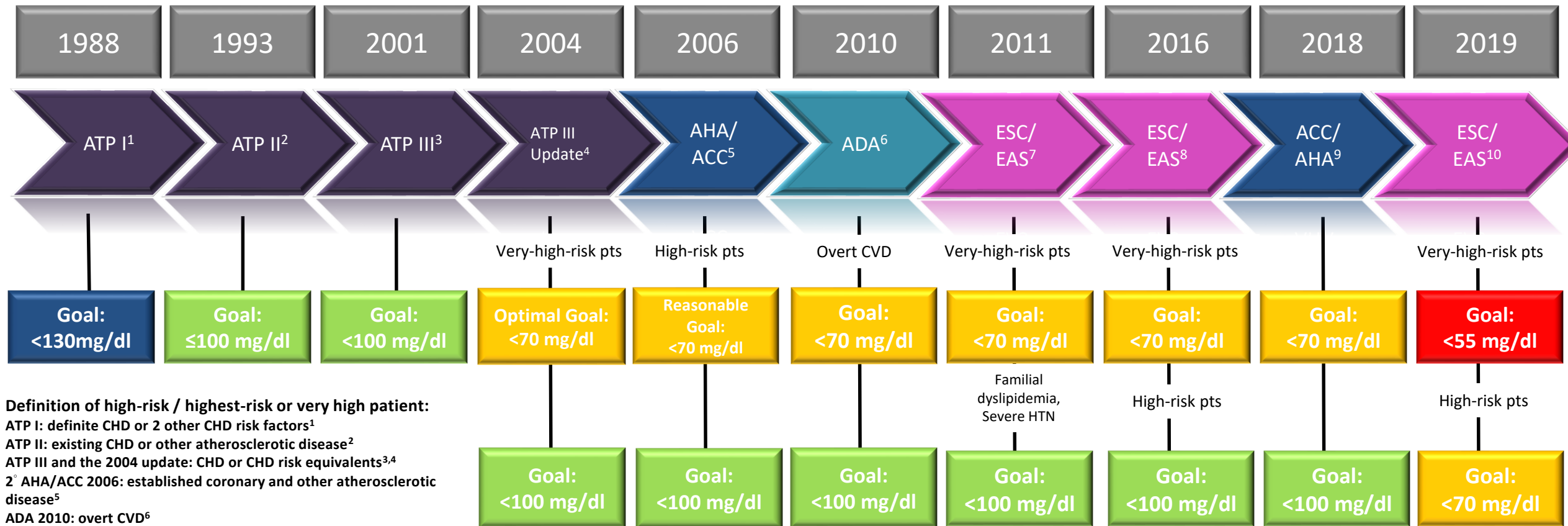
Reduce 1 mmol/L LDL by statin: reduce 21% risk of major vascular events

- 174 000 participants, meta-analysis, 27 randomized trials



Guidelines Recommendation

Guideline continued to recommend lower LDL-C target



CHD: coronary heart disease, CVD: cardiovascular disease, MI: myocardial infarction, ACS: acute coronary syndrome, CKD: chronic kidney disease, HTN: hypertension

1. NCEP ATP I. Arch Intern Med. 1988;148:36–69; 2. NCEP ATP II. JAMA. 1993;269:3015–3023; 3. NCEP ATP III. JAMA. 2001;285:2486–2497; 4. Grundy SM et al. Circulation.2004;110:227–239; 5. Smith SC Jr et al. Circulation. 2006;113:2363–2372; 6. ADA. Diabetes Care. 2010;33(suppl 1):S11–S61. 7. Reiner Z. et al. European Heart Journal 2011;32:1769–1818; 8. European Heart Journal (2016) 37, 2999–3058; 9. Circulation. 2018 Nov 10;CIR00000000000000625; 10. 2019 ESC/EAS Guidelines for the management of dyslipidemias



2017 Taiwan lipid guidelines for high risk patients

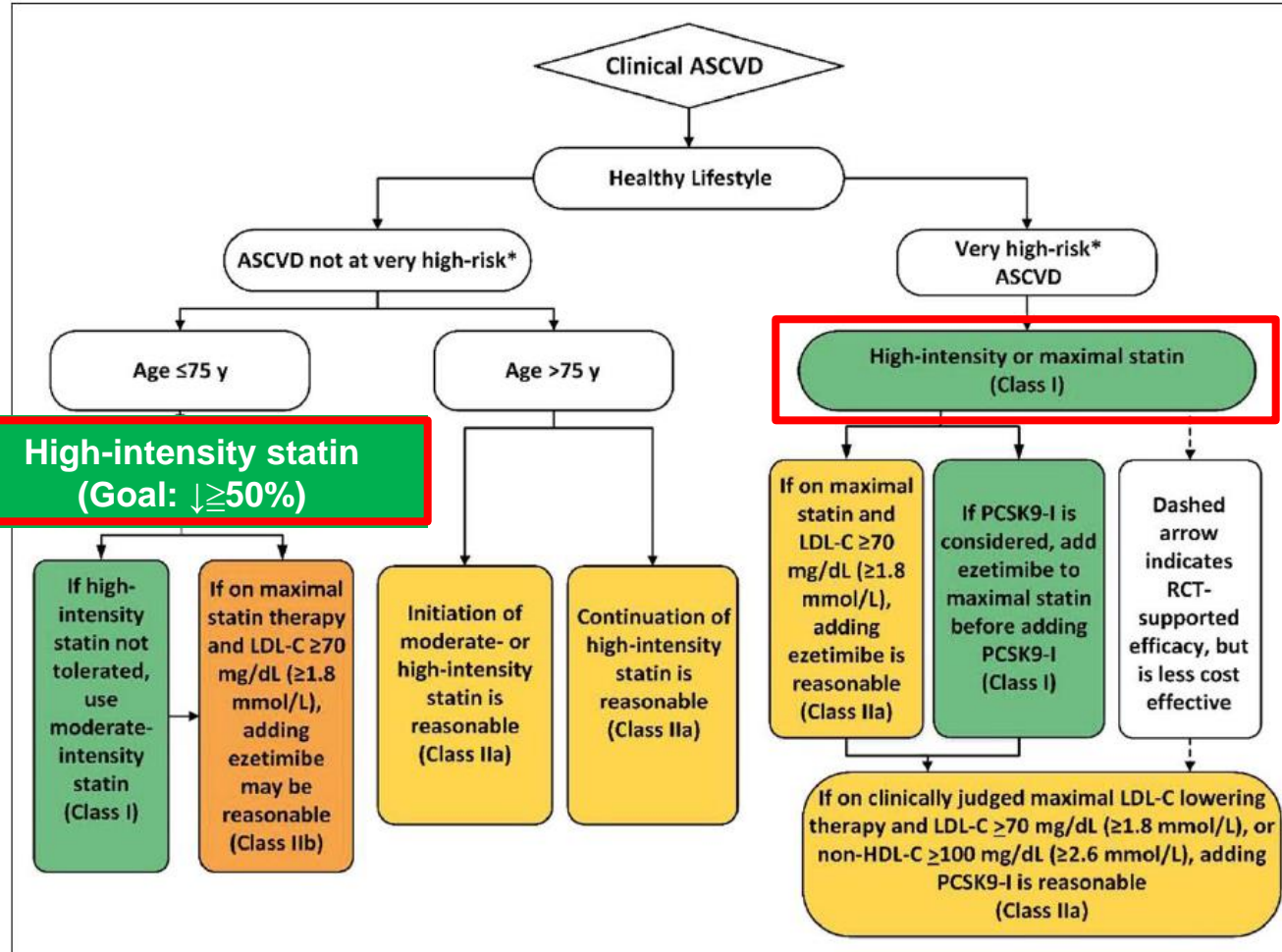
Disease category	LDL-C target (mg/dL)
ACS	< 70
ACS+DM	< 55 can be considered
Stable CAD	< 70
PAD	< 100
PAD +CAD	< 70
Stroke or TIA	< 100
DM	< 100*
DM+ CV disease	< 70
CKD(stage 3a-5 , GFR<60 mL/min/1.73m ²) [#]	≥ 100 should be initiated with statin
Familial hypercholesterolemia	Adult : < 100 <18 y : <135 CAD : < 70

* For diabetic patients who are 40 years of age, or who are < 40 years of age but have additional CV risk factors

[#] For dialysis patients, randomized controlled trials indicated that statin or statin/ezetimibe initiated during chronic dialysis provided no benefits in CV events reduction

2018 ACC/AHA Guideline: reduce LDL-C with high-intensity statins or maximally tolerated statins to decrease ASCVD risk

Secondary Prevention in Patients with Clinical ASCVD



Very High-Risk* for Future ASCVD Events

Major ASCVD Events
Recent acute coronary syndrome (within the past 12 months)
History of MI (other than recent ACS event listed above)
History of ischemic stroke
Symptomatic peripheral arterial disease (history of claudication with ABI <0.85, or previous revascularization or amputation ^{S4.1-40})
High-Risk Conditions
Age ≥65 y
Heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia
History of prior coronary artery bypass surgery or percutaneous coronary intervention outside of the major ASCVD event(s)
Diabetes mellitus
Hypertension
CKD (eGFR 15-59 mL/min/1.73 m ²) ^{S4.1-15,S4.1-17}
Current smoking
Persistently elevated LDL-C (LDL-C ≥100 mg/dL [≥2.6 mmol/L]) despite maximally tolerated statin therapy and ezetimibe
History of congestive HF

*Very high-risk includes a history of multiple major ASCVD events or one major ASCVD event and multiple high-risk conditions.

2018 ACC/AHA Guideline Recommendations for Statin Therapy

Intensity of statin therapy			
	High-Intensity	Moderate-Intensity	Low-Intensity
LDL-C ⁺ Lowering	≥50%	30%–49%	<30%
Primary Statins	Rosuvastatin 20mg (40mg) Atorvastatin (40 mg‡) 80 mg	Rosuvastatin (5 mg) 10 mg Atorvastatin 10 mg (20 mg) Simvastatin 20–40 mg§	Simvastatin 10mg
Other Statins		Pravastatin 40 mg (80 mg) Lovastatin 40 mg (80 mg) Fluvastatin XL 80 mg Fluvastatin 40 mg BID Pitavastatin 1–4 mg	Pravastatin 10–20 mg Lovastatin 20 mg Fluvastatin 20–40 mg

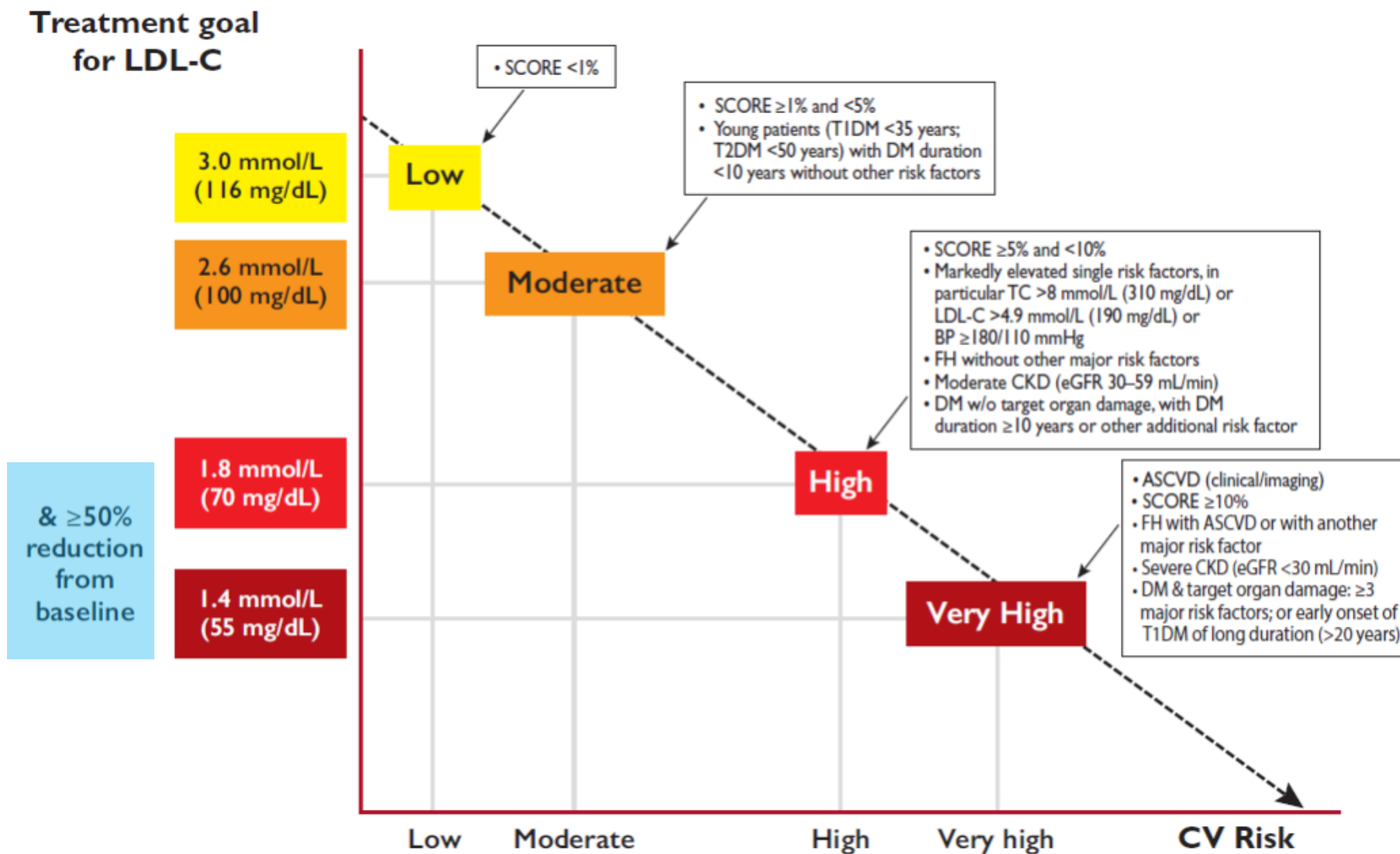
*Percent reductions are estimates from data across large populations. Individual responses to statin therapy varied in the RCTs and should be expected to vary in clinical practice.S3.2.1-2

†LDL-C lowering that should occur with the dosage listed below each intensity.

‡Evidence from 1 RCT only: down titration if unable to tolerate atorvastatin 80 mg in the IDEAL (Incremental Decrease through Aggressive Lipid Lowering) study.S3.2.1-3

§Although simvastatin 80 mg was evaluated in RCTs, initiation of simvastatin 80 mg or titration to 80 mg is not recommended by the FDA because of the increased risk of myopathy, including rhabdomyolysis.

2019 ESC/EAS guideline LDL treatment goal



2019 ESC/EAS guideline:

For very-high risk patients, LDL-C target has changed from 70 mg/dL to 55 mg/dL

Recommendations	Class	Level
In secondary prevention for patients at very-high risk , an LDL-C reduction of $\geq 50\%$ from baselined and an LDL-C goal of <1.4 mmol/L (<55 mg/dL) are recommended.	I	A
For patients with ASCVD who experience a second vascular event within 2 years (not necessarily of the same type as the first event) while taking maximally tolerated statin-based therapy, an LDL-C goal of <1.0 mmol/L (<40 mg/dL) may be considered.	IIb	B

The rationale for the revised, lower LDL-C goals across CV risk categories is discussed, based on a critical synthesis of available evidence from lipid-modifying interventions resulting in reductions in CV risk.

Very-high risk definition

- Documented ASCVD, either clinical or unequivocal on imaging. Documented ASCVD includes **previous ACS (MI or unstable angina), stable angina, coronary revascularization (PCI, CABG, and other arterial revascularization procedures), stroke and TIA, and peripheral arterial disease**. Unequivocally documented ASCVD on imaging includes those findings that are known to be predictive of clinical events, such as **significant plaque** on coronary angiography or CT scan (multivessel coronary disease with two major epicardial arteries having $>50\%$ stenosis), or on carotid ultrasound.
- **DM with target organ damage***, or at least three major risk factors, or early onset of T1DM of long duration (>20 years).
- **Severe CKD (eGFR <30 mL/min/1.73 m²).**
- A calculated SCORE $\geq 10\%$ for 10-year risk of fatal CVD.
- FH with ASCVD or with another major risk factor.

* Target organ damage is defined as microalbuminuria, retinopathy, or neuropathy

2019 ESC/EAS guideline:

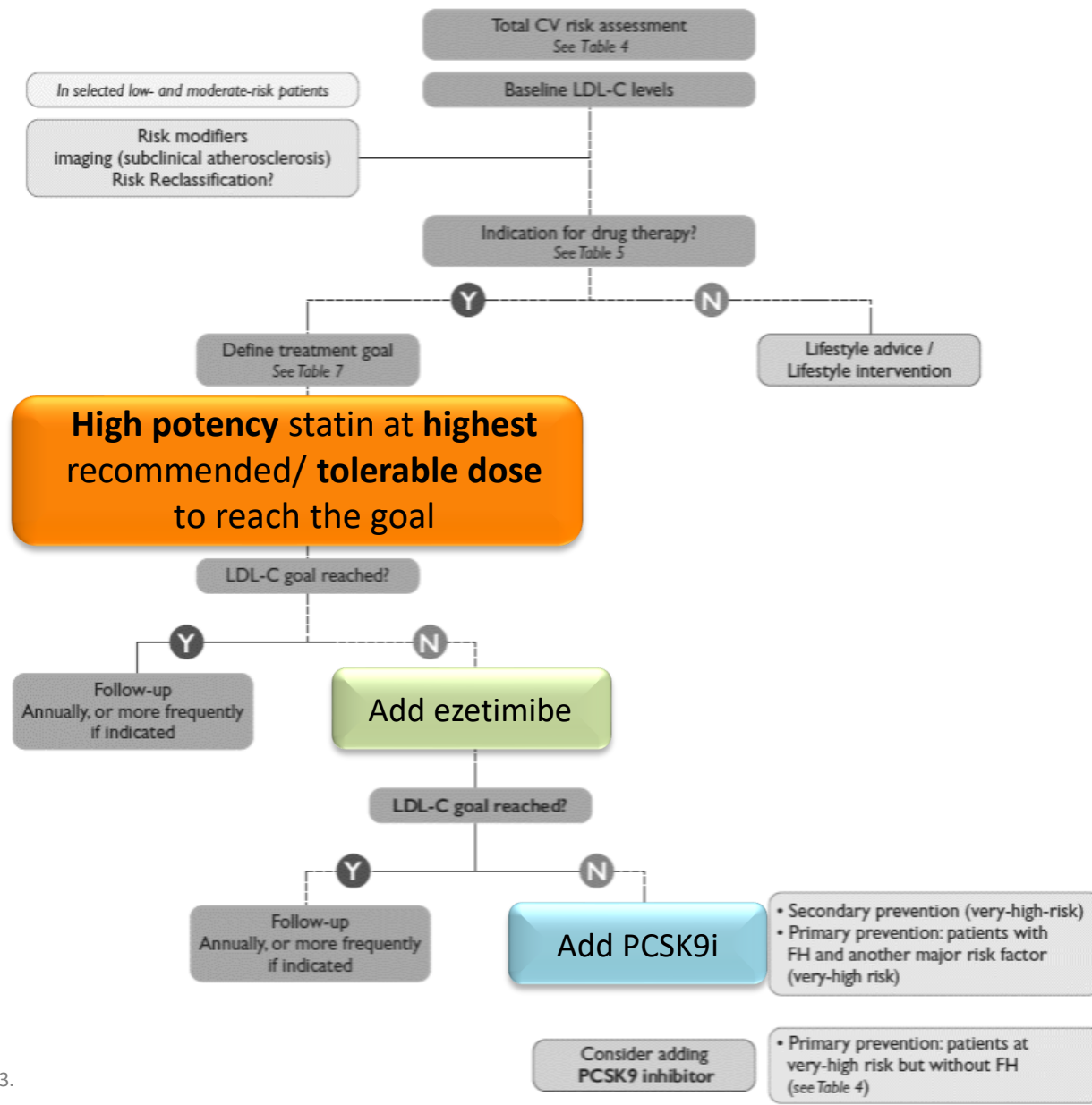
All ACS patients should start with high-dose statin regardless of LDL-C baseline

Management of patients with ACS	Class	Level
In all ACS patients without any contraindication or definite history of intolerance, it is recommended that high-dose statin therapy is initiated or continued as early as possible, regardless of initial LDL-C values .	I	A
If the LDL-C goal is not achieved after 4-6 weeks with the maximally tolerated statin dose, combination with ezetimibe is recommended.	I	B
If the LDL-C goal is not achieved after 4-6 weeks despite maximal tolerated statin therapy and ezetimibe, adding a PCSK9 inhibitor is recommended.	I	B
Recommendations for lipid-lowering therapy in very-high risk patients undergoing PCI	Class	Level
Routine pre-treatment or loading (on a background of chronic therapy) with a high-dose statin should be considered in patients undergoing PCI for an ACS or elective PCI	IIa	B

2019 ESC/EAS guideline treatment algorithm: statin as first line treatment

2018 ACC/AHA Intensity of statin therapy:

	High-Intensity statin
LDL-C Lowering	≥50%
Primary Statins	Rosuvastatin 20mg Atorvastatin (40 mg‡)
‡Evidence from 1 RCT only: down titration if unable to tolerate atorvastatin 80 mg in the IDEAL (Incremental Decrease through Aggressive Lipid Lowering) study.S3.2.1-3	





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Furthermore, these clinical trials have clearly indicated that the lower the achieved LDL-C values, the lower the risk of future cardiovascular (CV) events, with **no lower limit for LDL-C values, or 'J'-curve effect....**

there is no longer an 'LDL-C hypothesis', but established facts that increased LDL-C values are causally related to ASCVD [atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease], and that lowering LDL particles and other ApoB-containing lipoproteins as much as possible reduces CV event.

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— Quote from ESC 2019 guidelines on dyslipidemia..



2019 健保給付更新: ACS, PCI & CABG病人血脂目標值LDL-C< 70 mg/dL

	非藥物治療	起始藥物治療血脂值	血脂目標值	處方規定
1. 有 急性冠狀動脈症候群 病史 2. 曾接受 心導管介入治療 或 外科冠動脈搭橋手術 之冠狀動脈粥狀硬化患者 (108/02/01)	與藥物治療可並行	LDL-C \geq 70mg/dL	LDL-C < 70mg/dL	第一年應每3-6個月抽血檢查一次，第二年以後應至少每6-12個月抽血檢查一次，同時請注意副作用之產生如肝功能異常，橫紋肌溶解症。
心血管疾病或糖尿病患者	與藥物治療可並行	TC \geq 160mg/dL或LDL-C \geq 100mg/dL	TC < 160mg/dL或LDL-C < 100mg/dL	
2個危險因子或以上	給藥前應有3-6個月非藥物治療	TC \geq 200mg/dL或LDL-C \geq 130mg/dL	TC < 200mg/dL或LDL-C < 130mg/dL	
1個危險因子	給藥前應有3-6個月非藥物治療	TC \geq 240mg/dL或LDL-C \geq 160mg/dL	TC < 240mg/dL或LDL-C < 160mg/dL	102/08/01 移除字眼: 如已達治療目標得考慮減量至最低有效劑量，並持續衛教
0個危險因子	給藥前應有3-6個月非藥物治療	LDL-C \geq 190mg/dL	LDL-C < 190mg/dL	

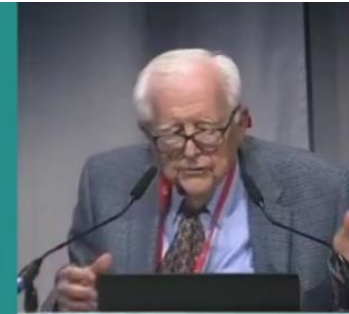
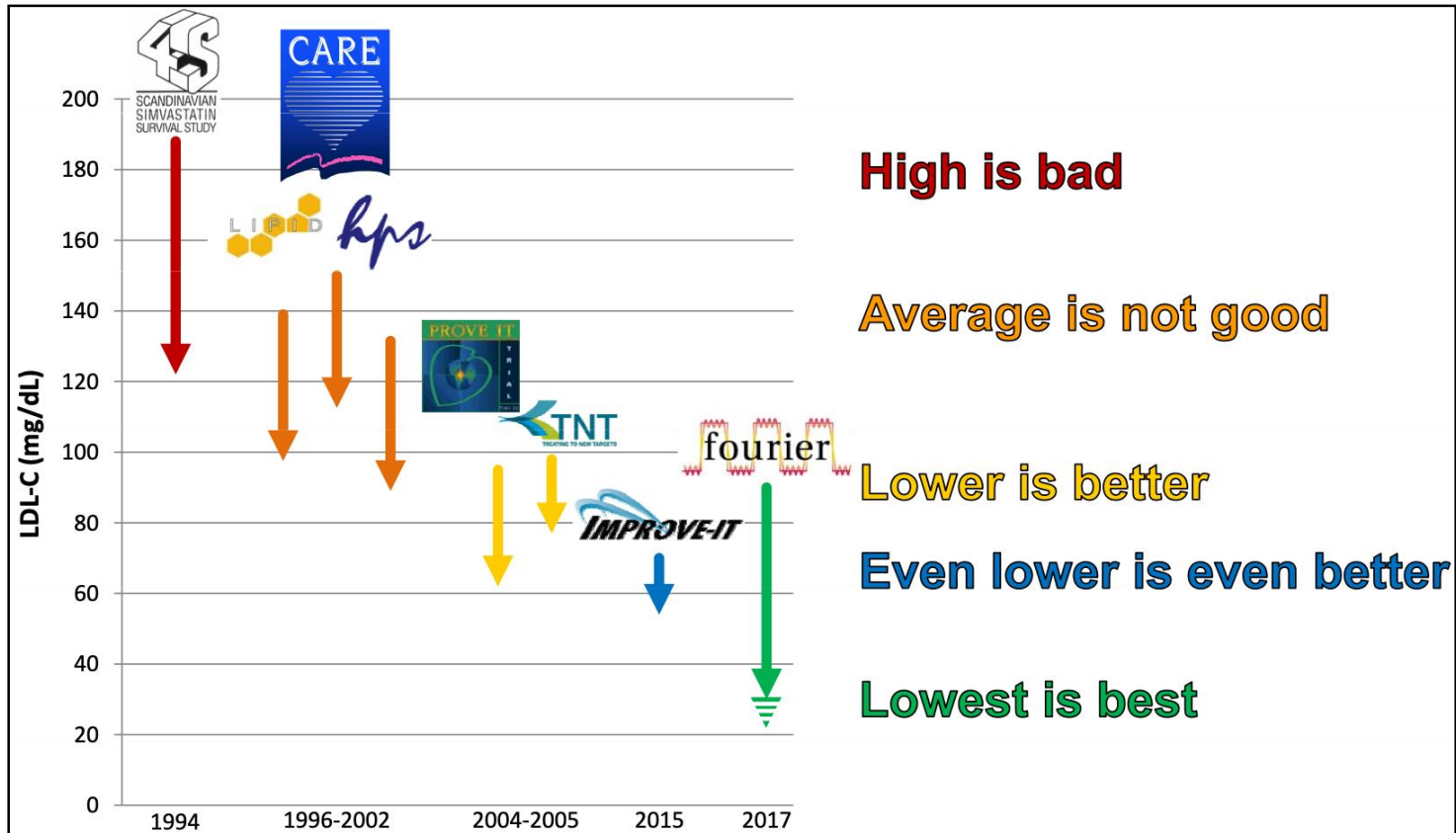
• 心血管疾病定義：

(一)冠狀動脈粥狀硬化患者包含：心絞痛病人，有心導管證實或缺氧性心電圖變化或負荷性試驗陽性反應者(附檢查報告)

(二)缺血型腦血管疾病患者包含：1.腦梗塞。2.暫時性腦缺血患者(TIA)。(診斷須由神經科醫師確立) 3.有症狀之頸動脈狹窄。(診斷須由神經科醫師確立)

- 危險因子定義： 1.高血壓2.男性 \geq 45歲，女性 \geq 55歲或停經者 3.有早發性冠心病家族史(男性 \leq 55歲，女性 \leq 65歲) 4.HDL-C<40mg/dL 5.吸菸(因吸菸而符合起步治療準則之個案，若未戒菸而要求藥物治療，應以自費治療)。

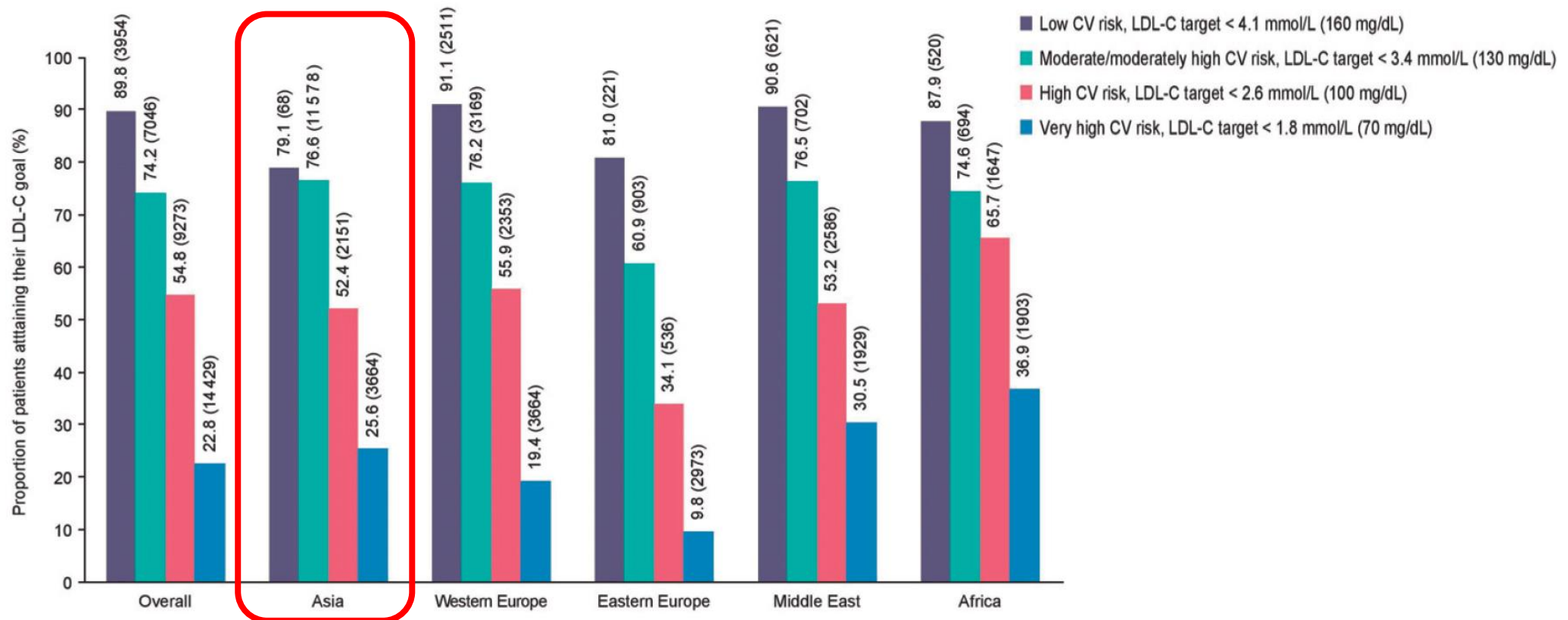
Prof Eugene Braunwald:
*we should strive to achieve **very low levels**
of LDL-C early in individuals to maximize
cardiovascular benefit*



Clinical guideline vs Real world practice

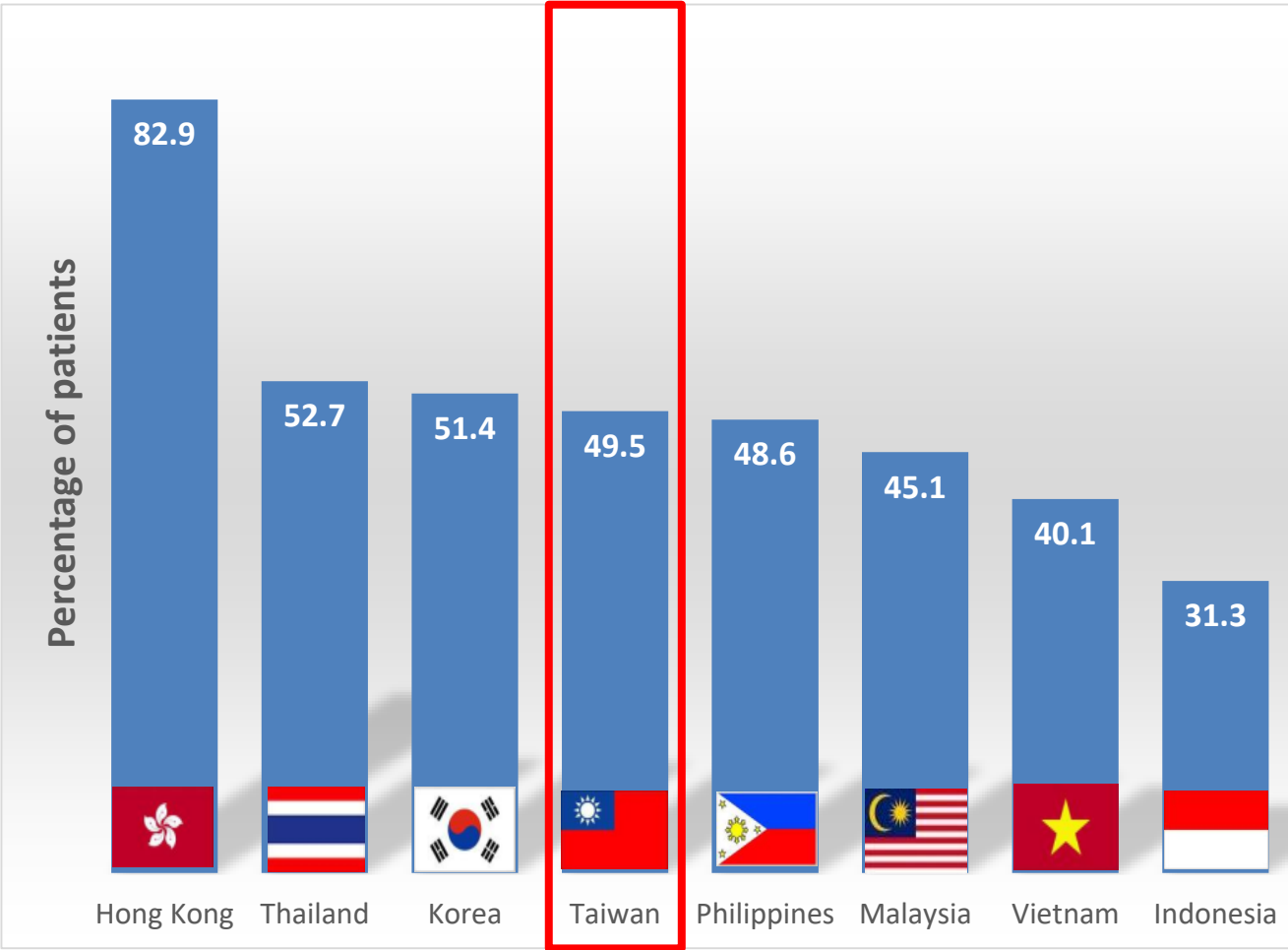
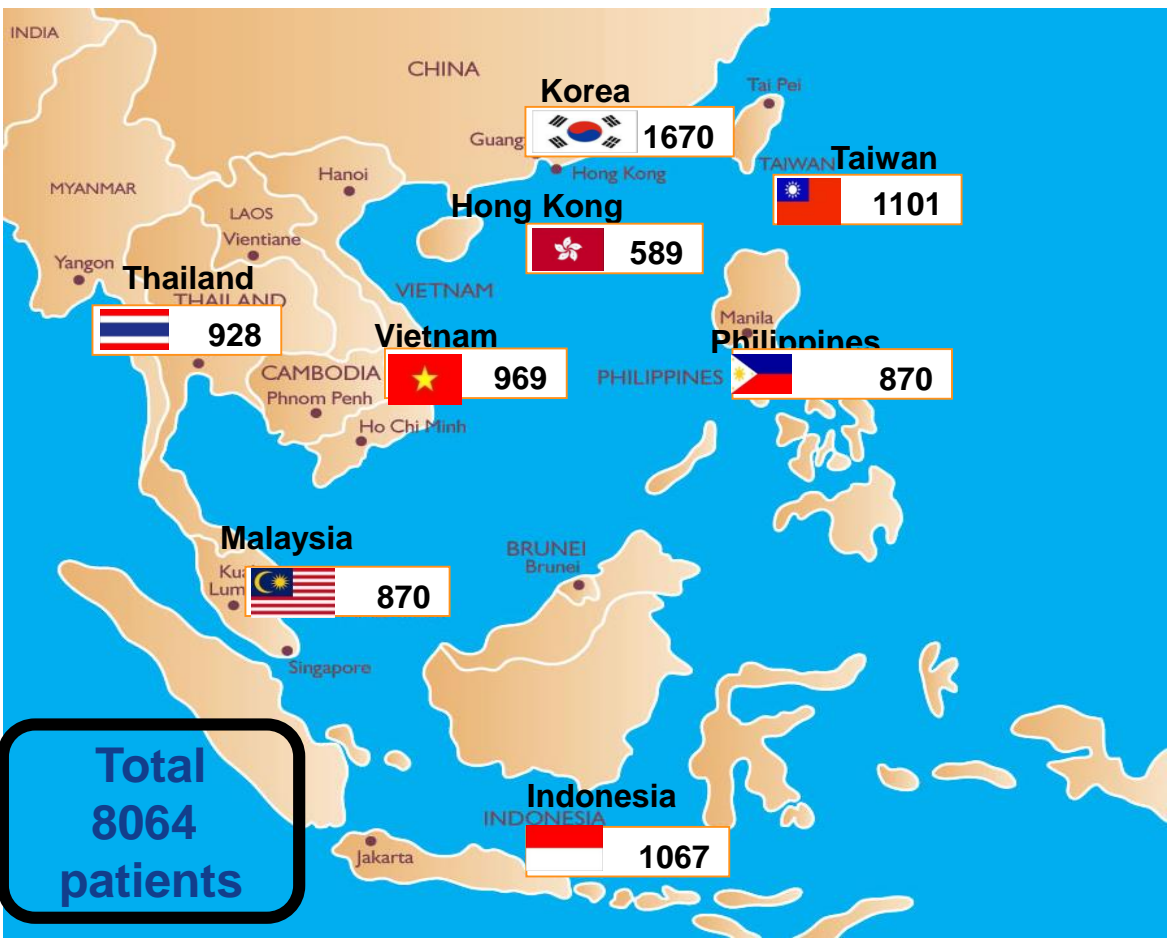
By 2004 NCEP ATP III : Overall only 49.4% reach LDL-C goal, 54.8% and 22.8% at high and very high cardiovascular risk

- 2006-2010, 5 multicenter, cross-sectional Centralized Pan-Regional Surveys on the Undertreatment of Hypercholesterolemia (CEPHEUS) study
- In total: 35,121 patients (mean age: 60.4 years), and 90.3% statin monotherapy



Only 49.5% of Taiwan patients attain LDL-C target goal

Pan-Asian CEPHEUS was the Largest Survey conducted in 8 Asian Countries



Park JE, Chiang CE, Munawar M, et al. Lipid-lowering treatment in hypercholesterolaemic patients: the CEPHEUS Pan-Asian survey.

Cholesterol Goal Attainment in the Real World: Comparison of Overall Goal Attainment in Asia

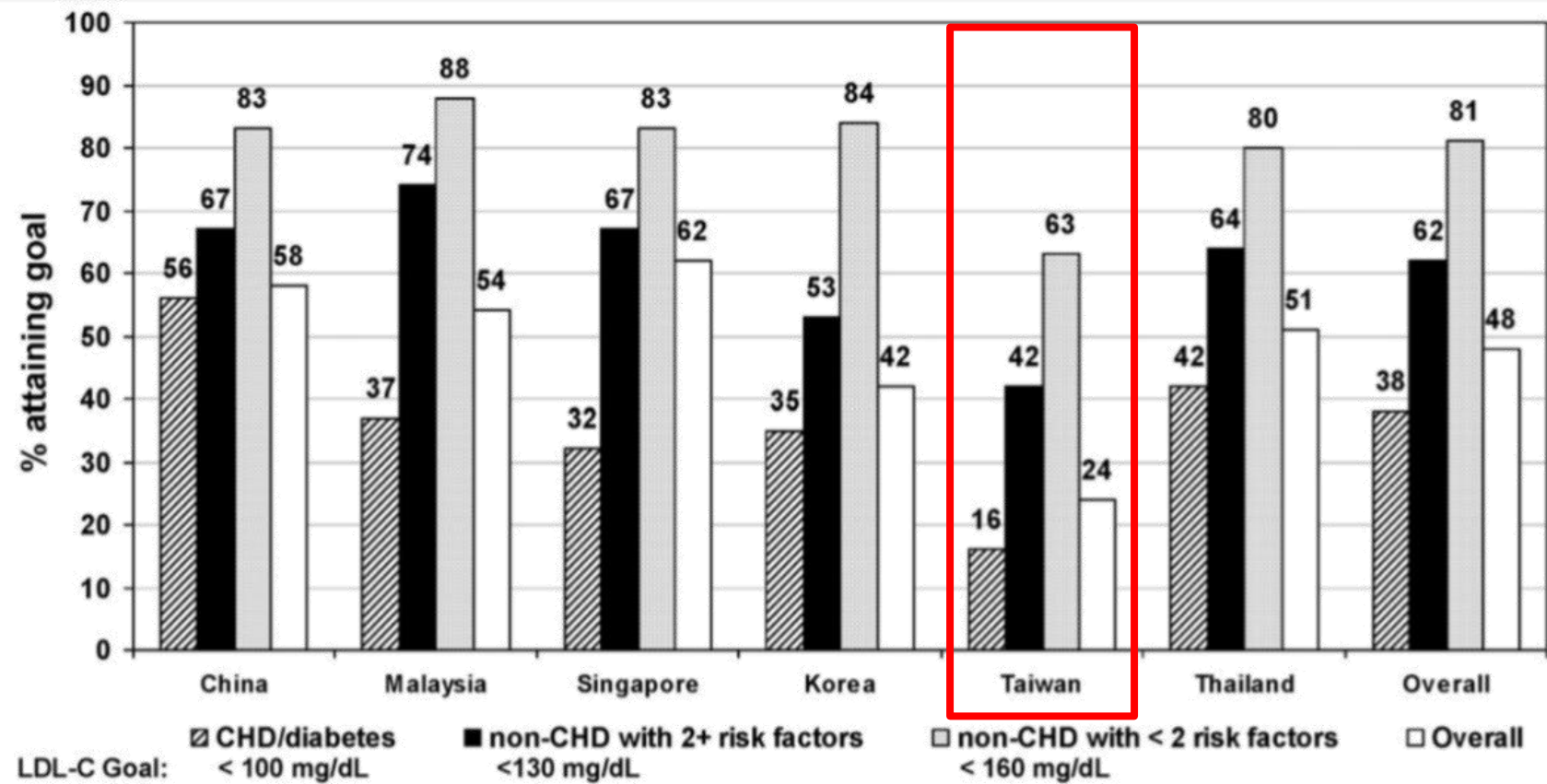
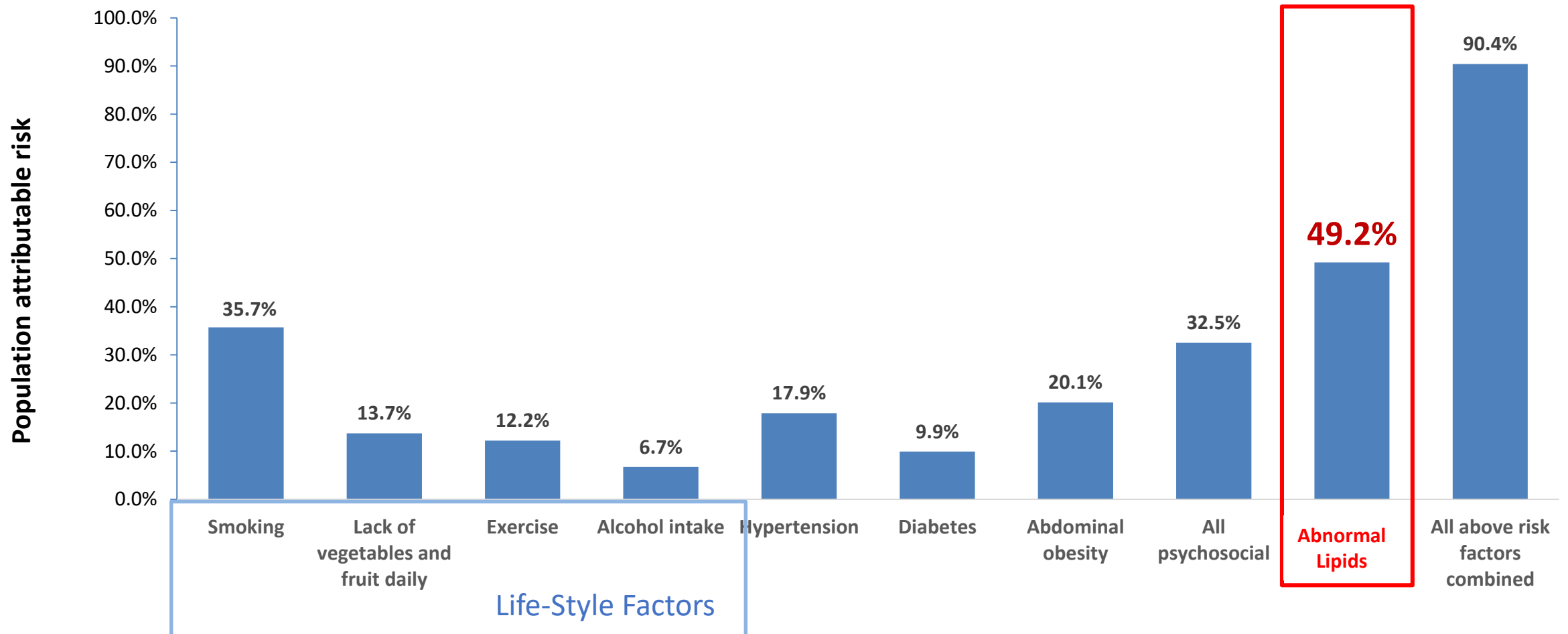


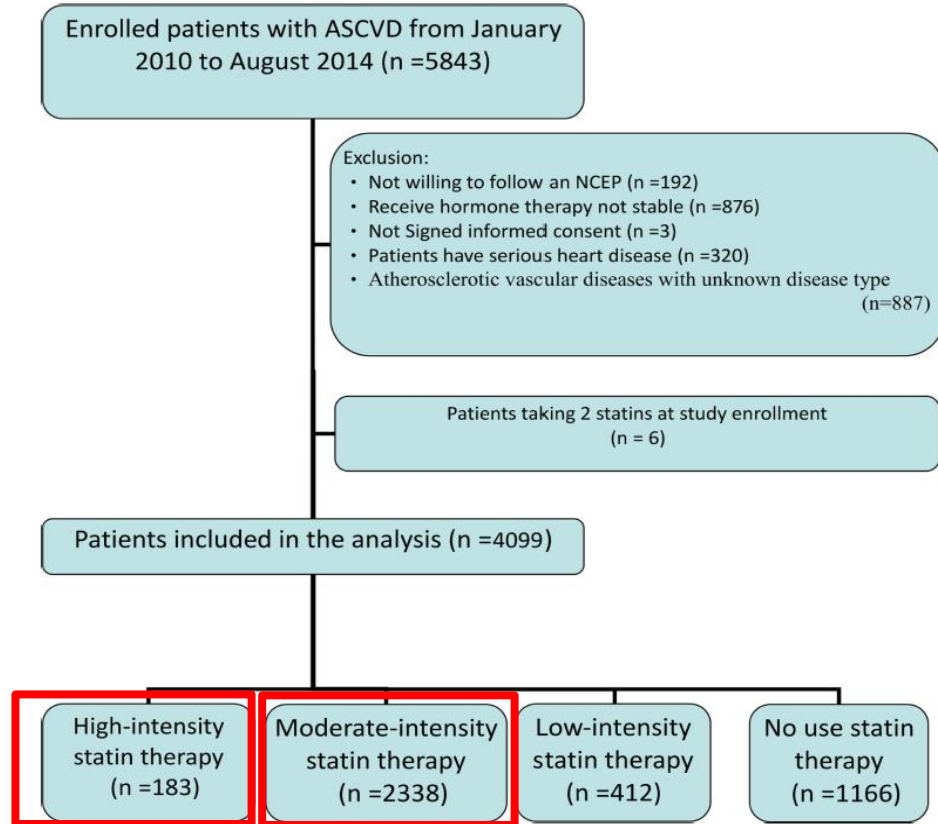
Figure 3. Cholesterol goal attainment (percent of patients attaining goal) by risk status in the overall population and by country/region, including coronary heart disease (CHD) and/or diabetes mellitus (DM), ≥2 risk factors without CHD/DM, or <2 risk factors without CHD/DM at baseline

Abnormal lipids : the most risk factor for myocardial infarction

- **INTERHEART Study** :15,152 patients, case-control study, 52 countries in Asia, Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Australia, North America, and South America



Taiwan Secondary Prevention for patients with AtherosCLerotic disease (T-SPARCLE) Study : 44% failed to achieve LDL-C < 100 mg/dL



- Failure to achieve an LDL-C (100 mg/dL): increased risk of MACEs in ASCVDs
- Importance of keeping LDL-C at goal levels

Table 3. Multivariate Cox regression model for MACE by joint distribution of statin use status and LDL-C level.

Category	n	Hazard ratio†	95% CI	p-value
Under statin LDL-C < 100 mg/dL	1747	1.00	(as reference)	
Not under statin & LDL < 100 mg/dL	571	1.42	0.77–2.63	0.26
Under statin & LDL ≥ 100 mg/dL	1186	1.66	1.04–2.63	0.03
Not under statin & LDL ≥ 100 mg/dL	595	2.04	1.06–3.94	0.03

†Adjusted for age, gender, body mass index (BMI) level, cigarette smoking history, fibrate use, history of hypertension, heart failure, diabetes, myocardial infarction, ischemic stroke or transient ischemic attack, previous coronary or lower extremity arterial disease (LEAD) intervention and levels of estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) at baseline.

- Multicenter prospective observational study,
- Jan.2010-Aug.2014, follow-up data as of March 2015
- > 18 years old with stable symptomatic atherosclerotic diseases

LDL-C goal attainment of Taiwan is lower: why ?

Changes in lipid-modifying regimens during follow-up in the overall population



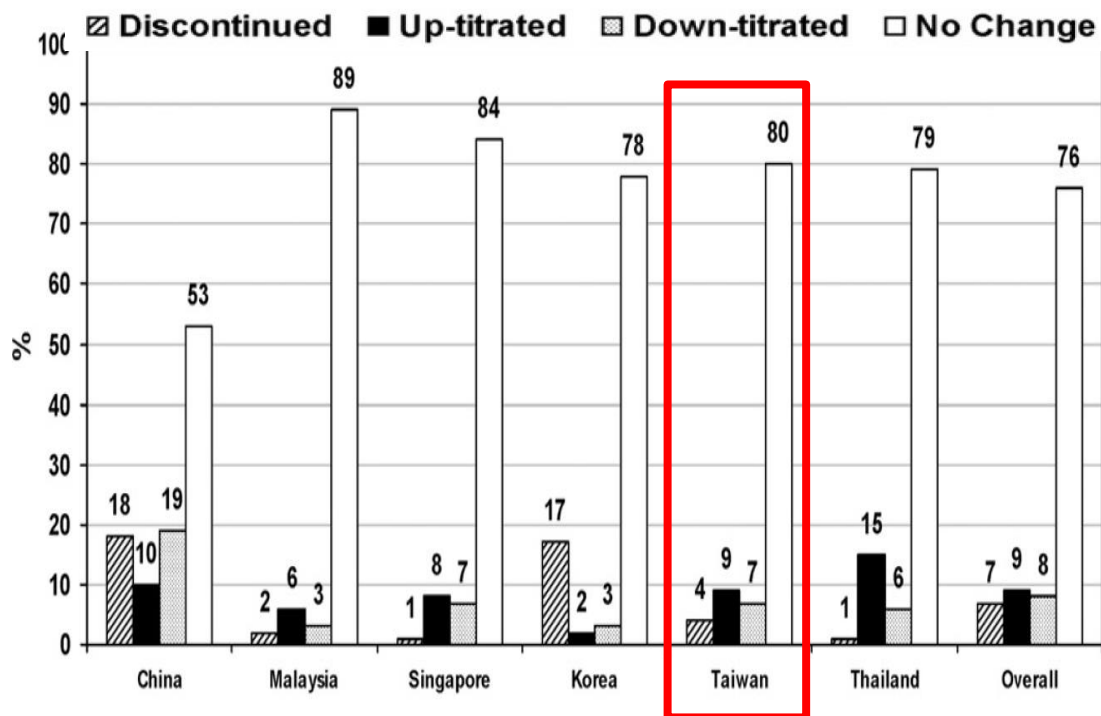
From Physicians

- Inertia to increase the dose or move to a combination¹
- Starting dose : non-effective potency²
- 80% fixed prescriptions⁵
- Limitation of National health Insurance(NHI)⁴



From Patients

- Compliance¹
- Inertia, as well¹



1. Atherosclerosis 236 (2014) 142e143

2. J Atheroscler Thromb. 2016 May 2;23(5):567-87.

3. Curr Med Res Opin. 2008 Jul;24(7):1951-63.

4. 心血管病患之合理血脂治療- Optimal Lipid Lowering Treatment for Patients with Cardiovascular Disease

5. Curr Med Res Opin. 2008 Jul; 24(7): 1951-63

WHY Rosuvastatin : Low Dose, High Potency

FDA: CRESTOR 10mg/20mg reduce 47%/55% LDL-C



U.S Food and Drug Administration

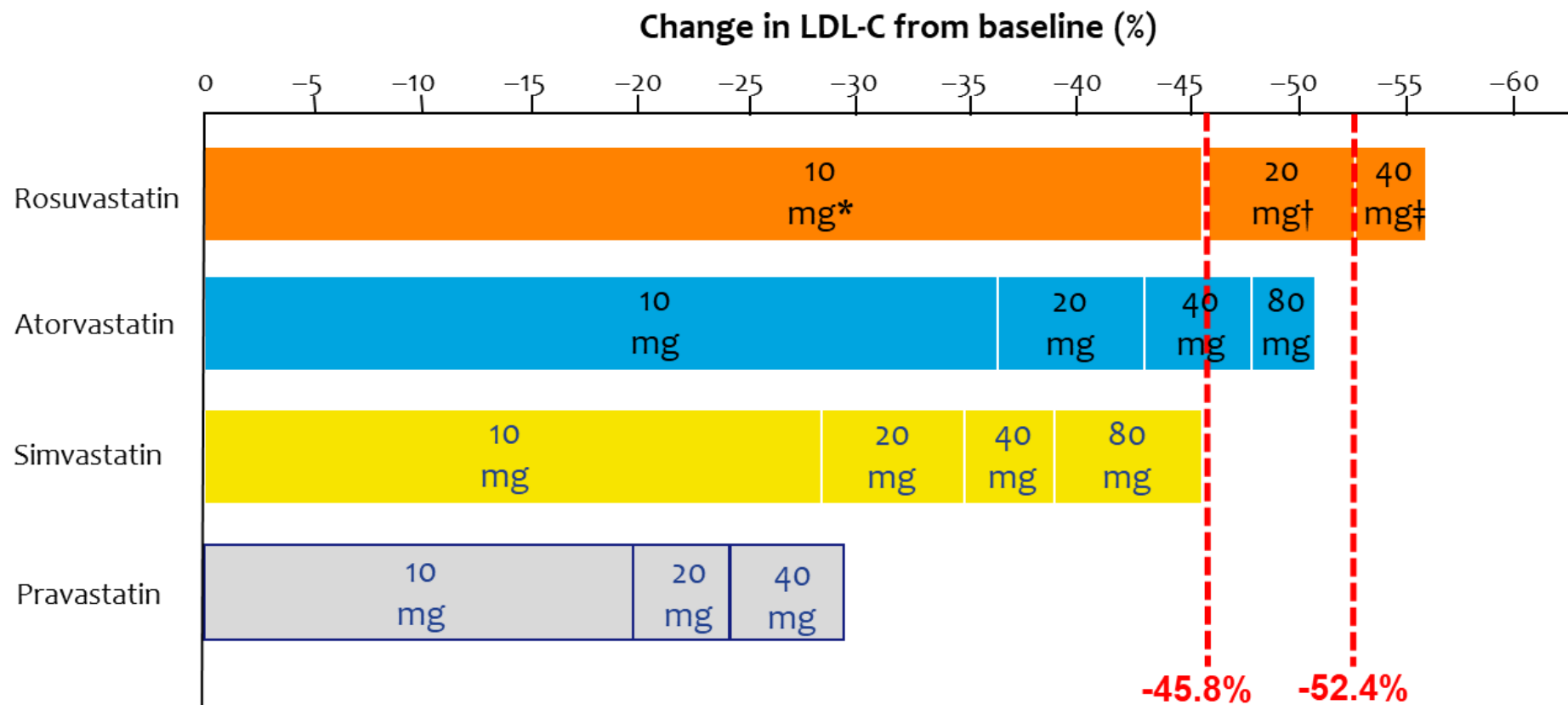
Rosuvastatin	Atorva.	Fluva.	Pitava.	Lova.	Prava.	Ezetimibe /Simva.	Simva.	%↓ LDL-C
		40 mg	1 mg	20 mg	20 mg		10 mg	30%
	10 mg	80 mg	2 mg	40 mg or 80 mg	40 mg		20 mg	38%
5 mg	20 mg		4 mg	80 mg	80 mg	10/10 mg	40 mg	41%
10 mg	40 mg					10/20 mg	80 mg	47%
20 mg	80 mg					10/40 mg		55%
40 mg						10/80 mg		63%

Atorva=Atorvastatin; Fluva=Fluvastatin; Pitava=Pitavastatin; Lova=Lovastatin; Prava=Pravastatin; Simva=Simvastatin; LDL-C: Low-density lipoprotein cholesterol.

* Based on individual statin efficacy data, not head to head comparisons between statins.

1. Adapted from FDA Drug Safety Communication: New restrictions, contraindications, and dose limitations for Zocor (simvastatin) to reduce the risk of muscle injury. U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Updated 2016. Available at: <http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DrugSafety/ucm256581.htm> Last accessed: 19.12.2016.

H2H: CRESTOR 10mg/20mg is better than Atorvastatin 20mg/40mg in LDL-C reduction



- Study design: The primary objective of this 6-week, parallel-group, open-label, randomized, multicenter trial was to compare rosuvastatin with atorvastatin, pravastatin, and simvastatin across dose ranges for reduction of low density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol.

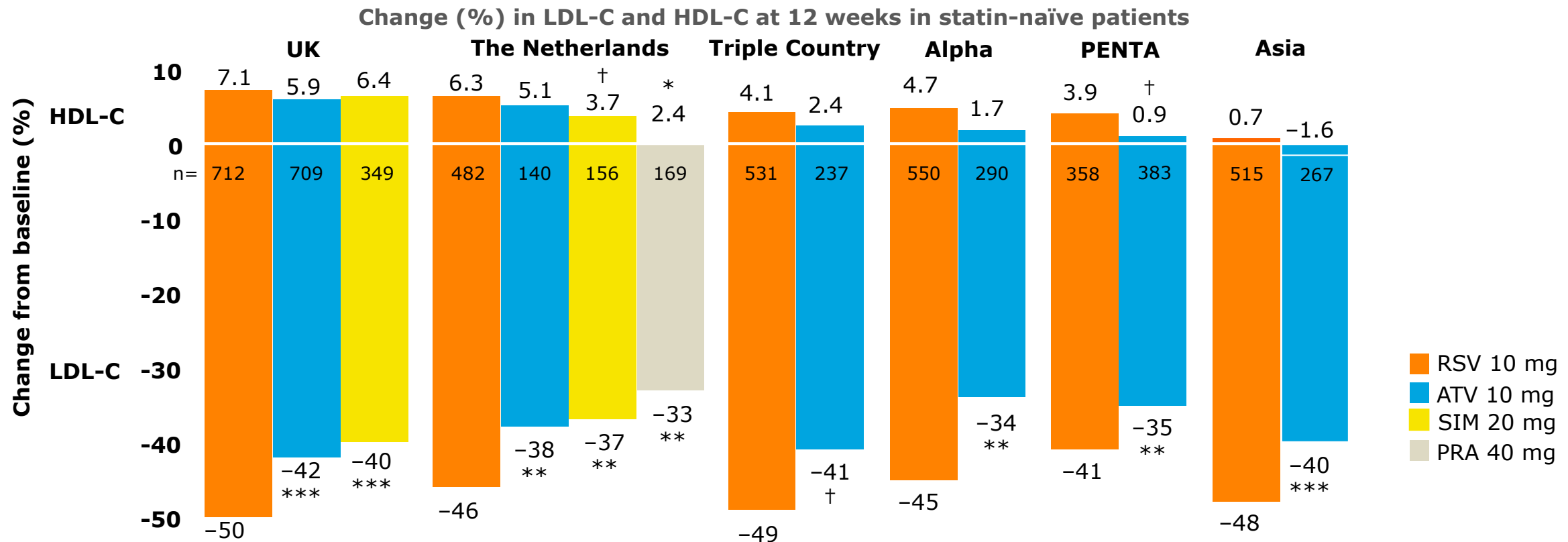
*p<0.002 vs atorvastatin 10 mg; simvastatin 10, 20, 40 mg; pravastatin 10, 20, 40 mg

†p<0.002 vs atorvastatin 20, 40 mg; simvastatin 20, 40, 80 mg; pravastatin 20, 40 mg

‡p<0.002 vs atorvastatin 40 mg; simvastatin 40, 80 mg; pravastatin 40 mg



CRESTOR 10 mg is more efficacious at lowering LDL-C and increase HDL-C

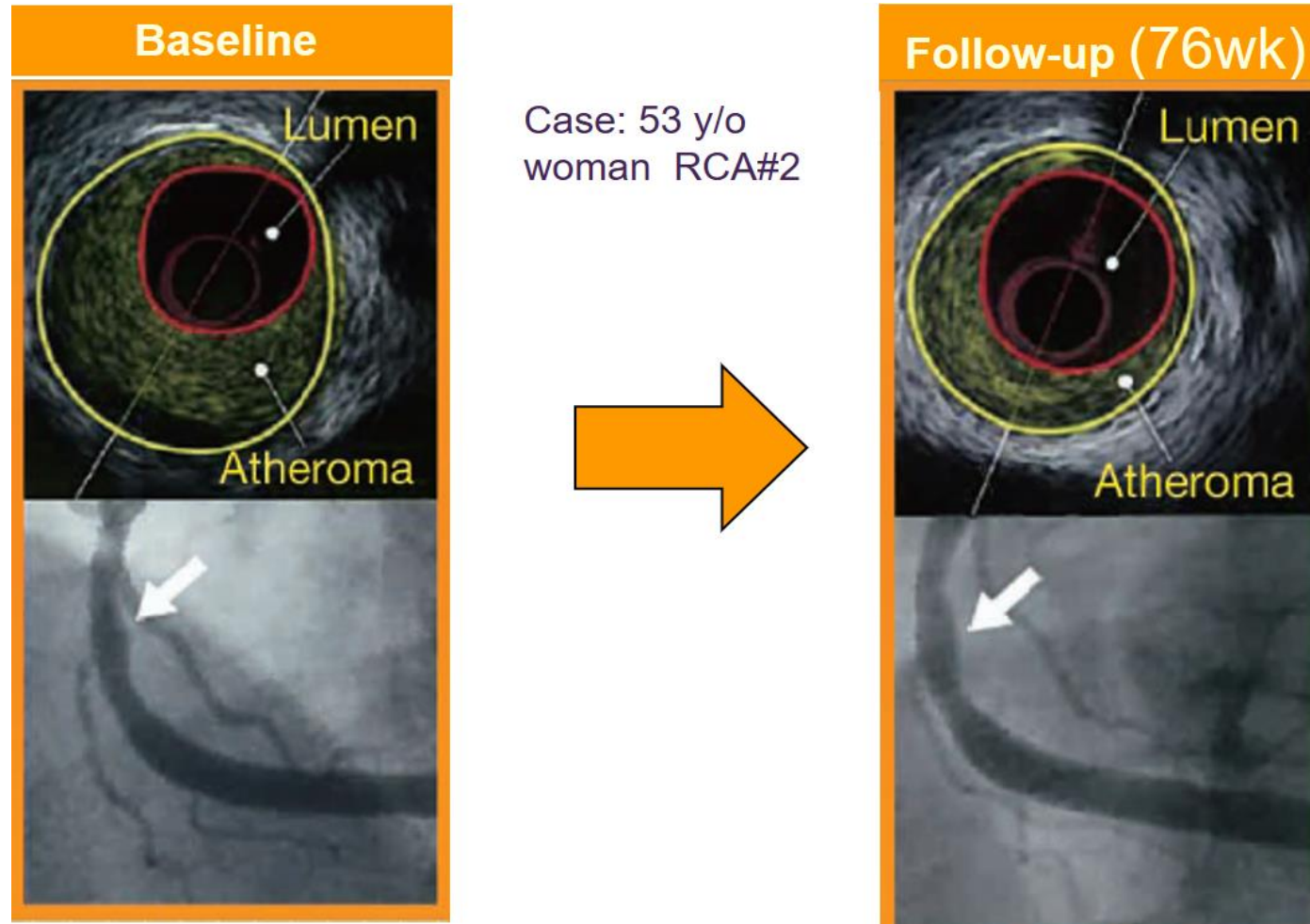


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Br J Cardiol 2006; 13: 72–76.
Clin Ther 2004; 26: 1821–1833.
Curr Med Res Opin 2007; 23: 3055–3068

LDL-C=low-density lipoprotein cholesterol; HDL-C=high-density lipoprotein cholesterol; RSV=rosuvastatin; ATV=atorvastatin; SIM=simvastatin; PRA=pravastatin
†p<0.05 vs RSV 10 mg; *p<0.01 vs RSV 10 mg; **p<0.001 vs RSV 10 mg; ***p<0.0001 vs RSV 10 mg

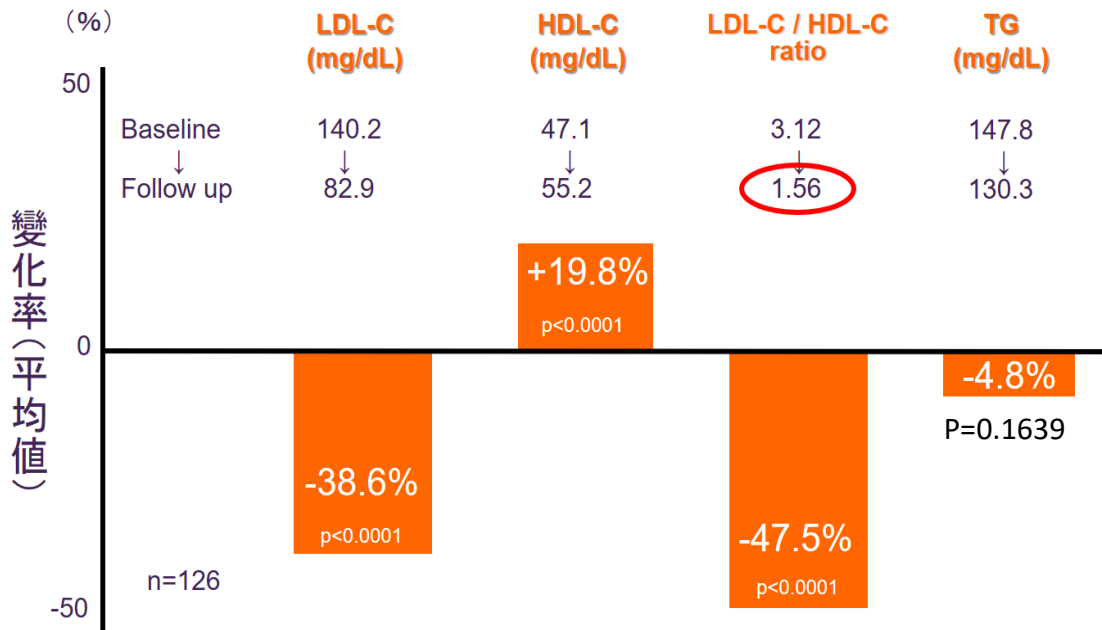
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CRESTOR shows significant regression of coronary plaque volume in Japanese hyperlipidemia patients with stable CAD

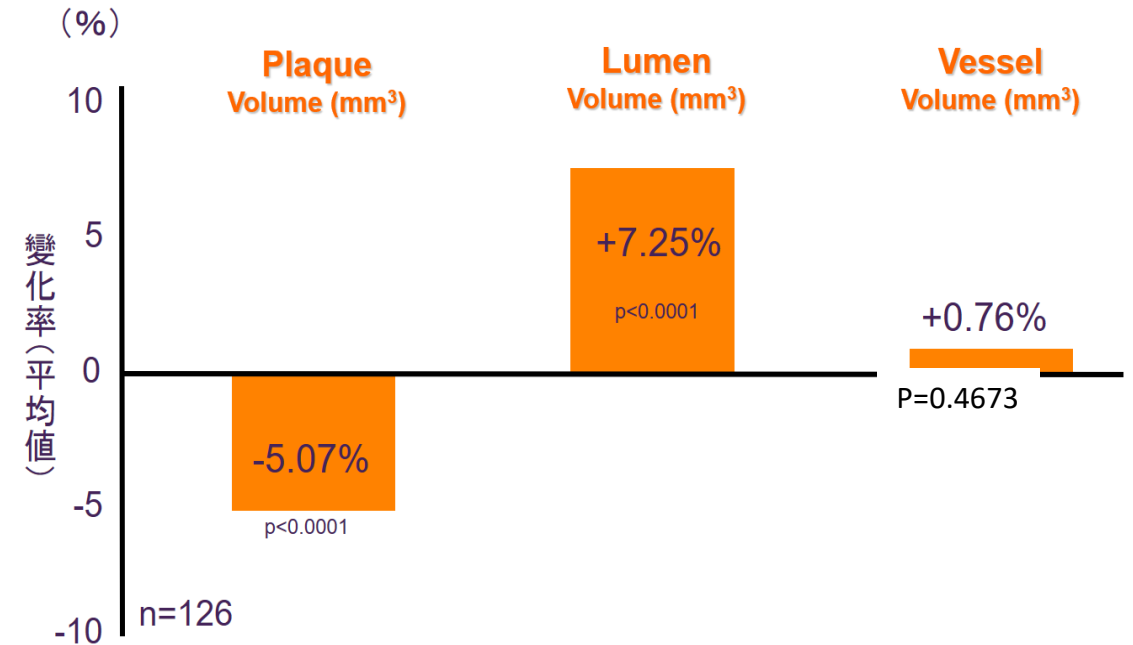


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COSMOS Lipid Profiles

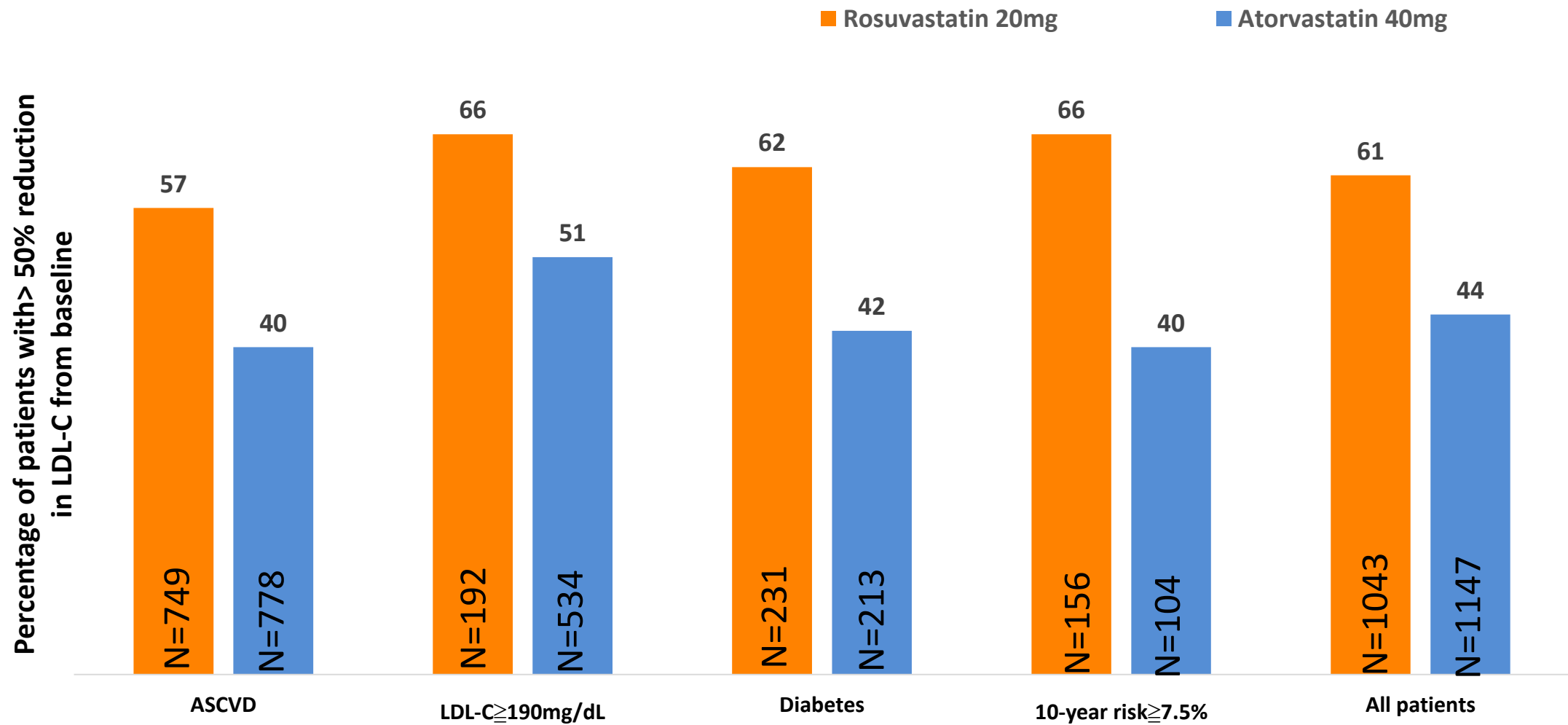


Reduction of Plaque Volume



- Study design: A 18 month, open-label, multicentre, single-arm study using intravascular ultrasound (IVUS) to evaluate the effect of CRESTOR 2.5mg-20mg on the progression of plaque volume in Japanese subjects with hypercholesterolaemia and coronary heart disease

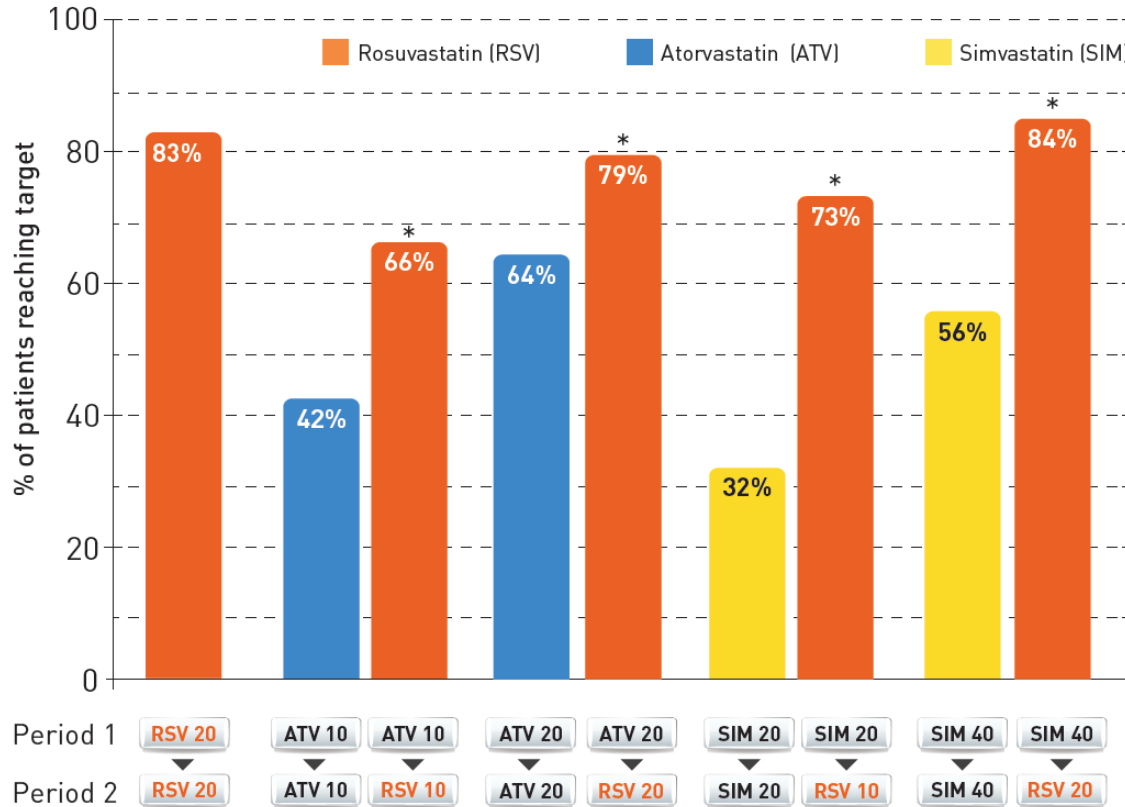
CRESTOR 20mg achieves $\geq 50\%$ reduction LDL-C in high risk patients better than Atorvastatin 40mg



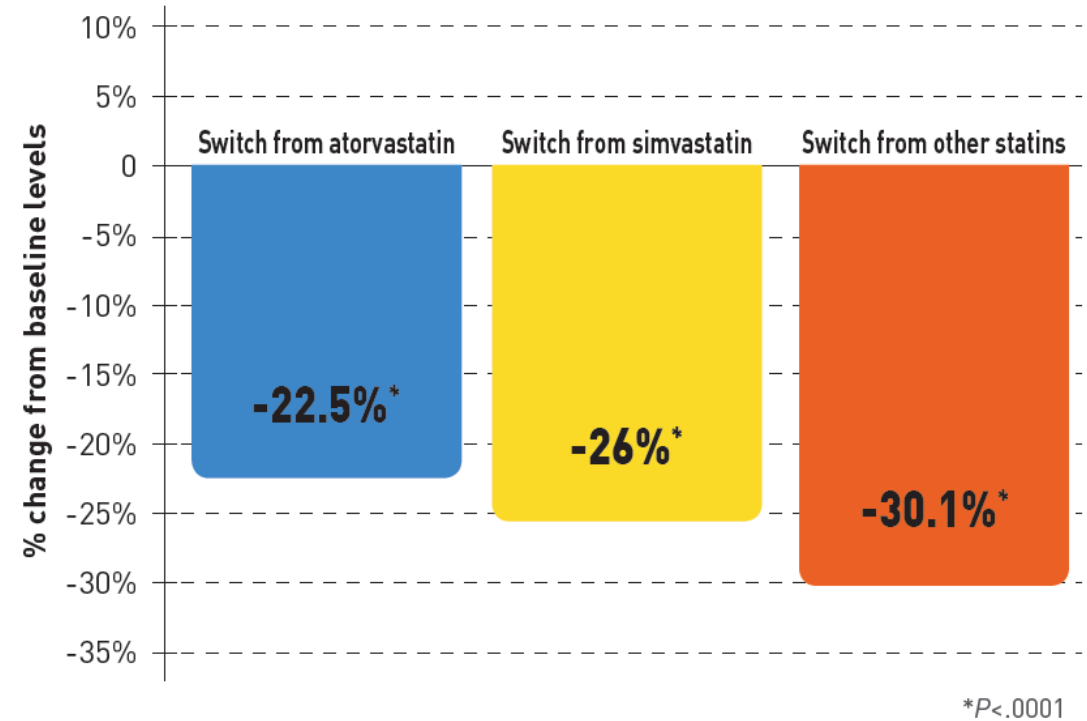
Switching to Rosuvastatin

Significantly help more high-risk patient achieve LDL goal

Patients achieving LDL-C target of <100 mg/dL (<5.6 mmol/L) at 16 weeks (n = 1827)



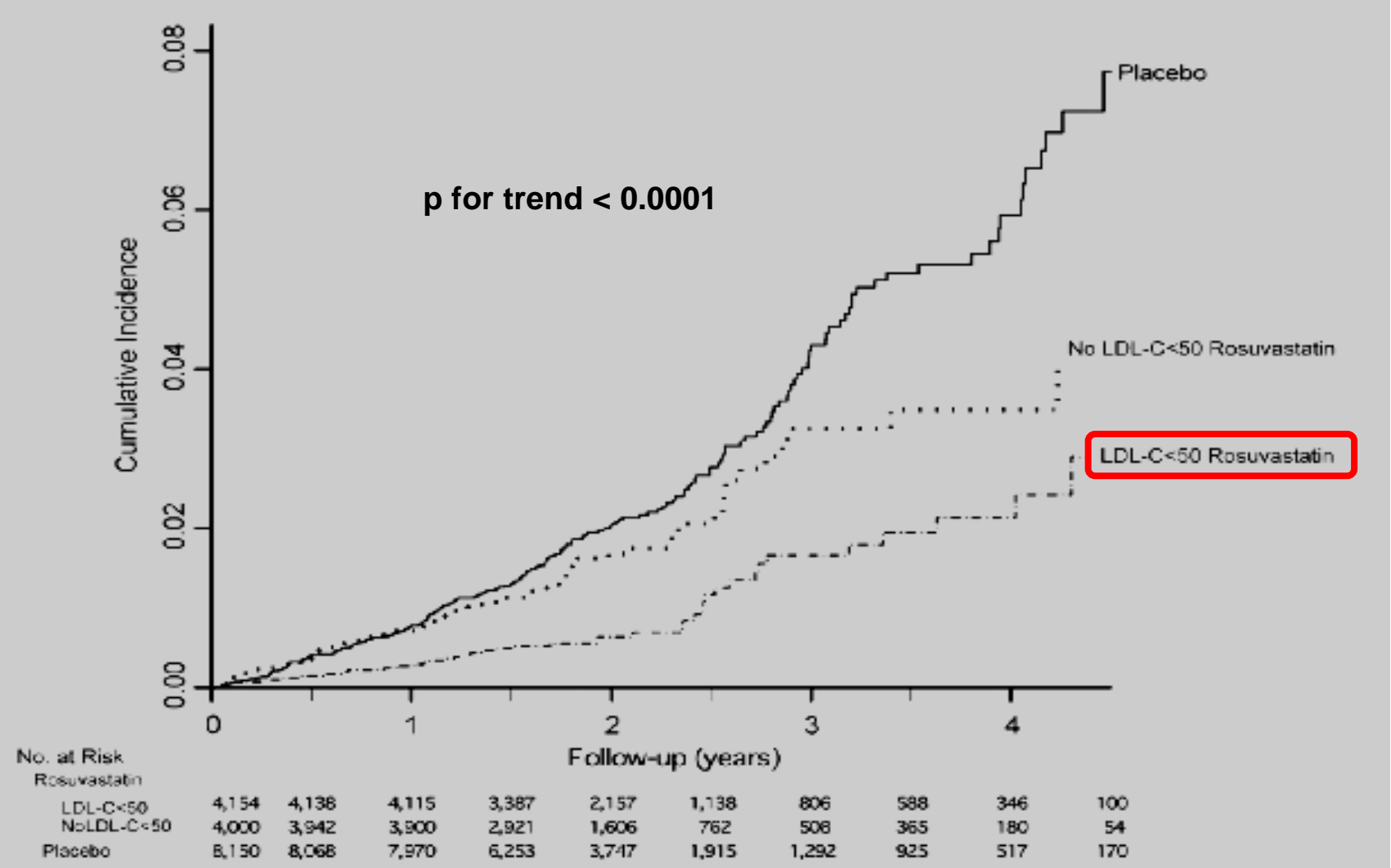
% change in plasma concentration of LDL-C after ≥ 8 weeks of CRESTOR therapy treatment in the 3 treatment groups (n = 524)²



LDL-C goals were achieved in a greater proportion of high-risk patients (n = 1011) after switching to rosuvastatin compared to those remaining on atorvastatin or simvastatin¹

- Study design: A completed 16-week, randomised, open-label study comparing efficacy (% patients reaching NCEP ATP III goal and other lipid parameters) and safety following a switch to the potential start doses of CRESTOR from the accepted/potential start doses of atorvastatin and simvastatin in high-risk subjects with primary hypercholesterolaemia

Established evidence of “Lower is Better”



WHY Rosuvastatin : Safety

CRESTOR is hydrophilic statin with lower risk of some side effects*

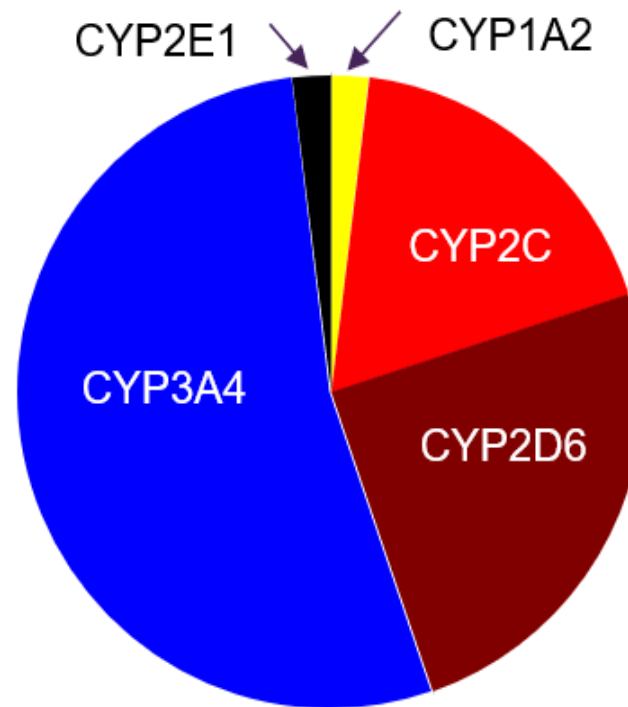
Drug	Solubility	Metabolism	Clearance	T _{1/2}	Effect of food on bioavailability (%)
Rosuvastatin	Hydrophilic	Non-CYP450 Limited CYP2C9/8	Hepatic and renal	20	No
Atorvastatin	Lipophilic	CYP3A4	Hepatic	11-30	Yes (↓ 13)
Fluvastatin	Lipophilic	CYP2C9	Hepatic	0.5-2.3	Yes (↓ 15-25)
Lovastatin	Lipophilic	CYP3A4	Hepatic	2.5-3.0	Yes (↓ 50)
Pitavastatin	Lipophilic	Non-CYP450 Limited CYP2C9/19	Hepatic	11	No
Pravastatin	Hydrophilic	Non-CYP450	Hepatic and renal	0.8-3.0	Yes (↓ 30)
Simvastatin	Lipophilic	CYP3A4	Hepatic	1.9-3.0	No

CRESTOR has less risk of drug-drug interaction as not dependent on CYP3A4

- Most of drugs are inhibitors or substrates of CYP450, especially the 3A4 isoenzyme: increase statin-associated myopathy

CYP 3A4

- **Simvastatin**
- **Atorvastatin**
- **Lovastatin**
- **Diltiazem**
- **Clopidogrel**
- **Amiodarone**
- **Cimetidine**
- **Ery/Clarithromycin**
- **Ketoconazole**
- **Carbamazepine**
- **St John's wort**
- **Grapefruit juice**



CYP 2C9

- **Rosuvastatin**
- **Fluvastatin**
- **Phenytoin**
- **Fluconazole**
- **Warfarin**

Drug-Drug Interaction: CYP3A4-metabolized Statins and Clopidogrel



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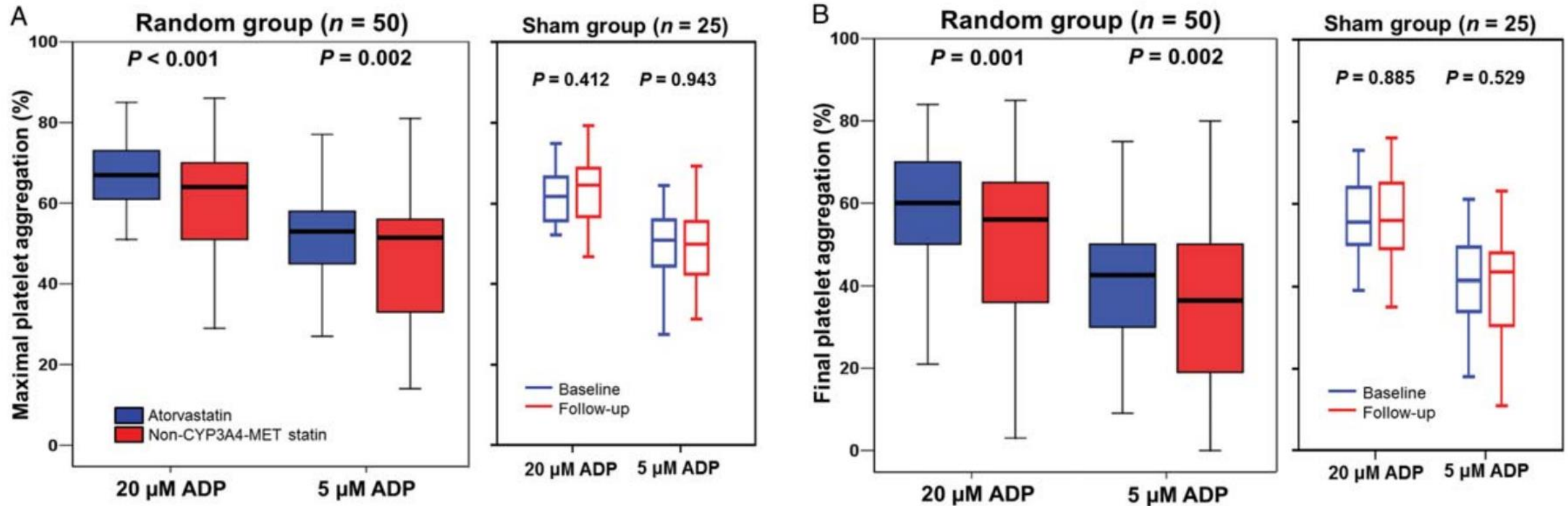
Accelerated platelet inhibition by switching from atorvastatin to a non-CYP3A4-metabolized statin in patients with high platelet reactivity (ACCEL-STATIN) study

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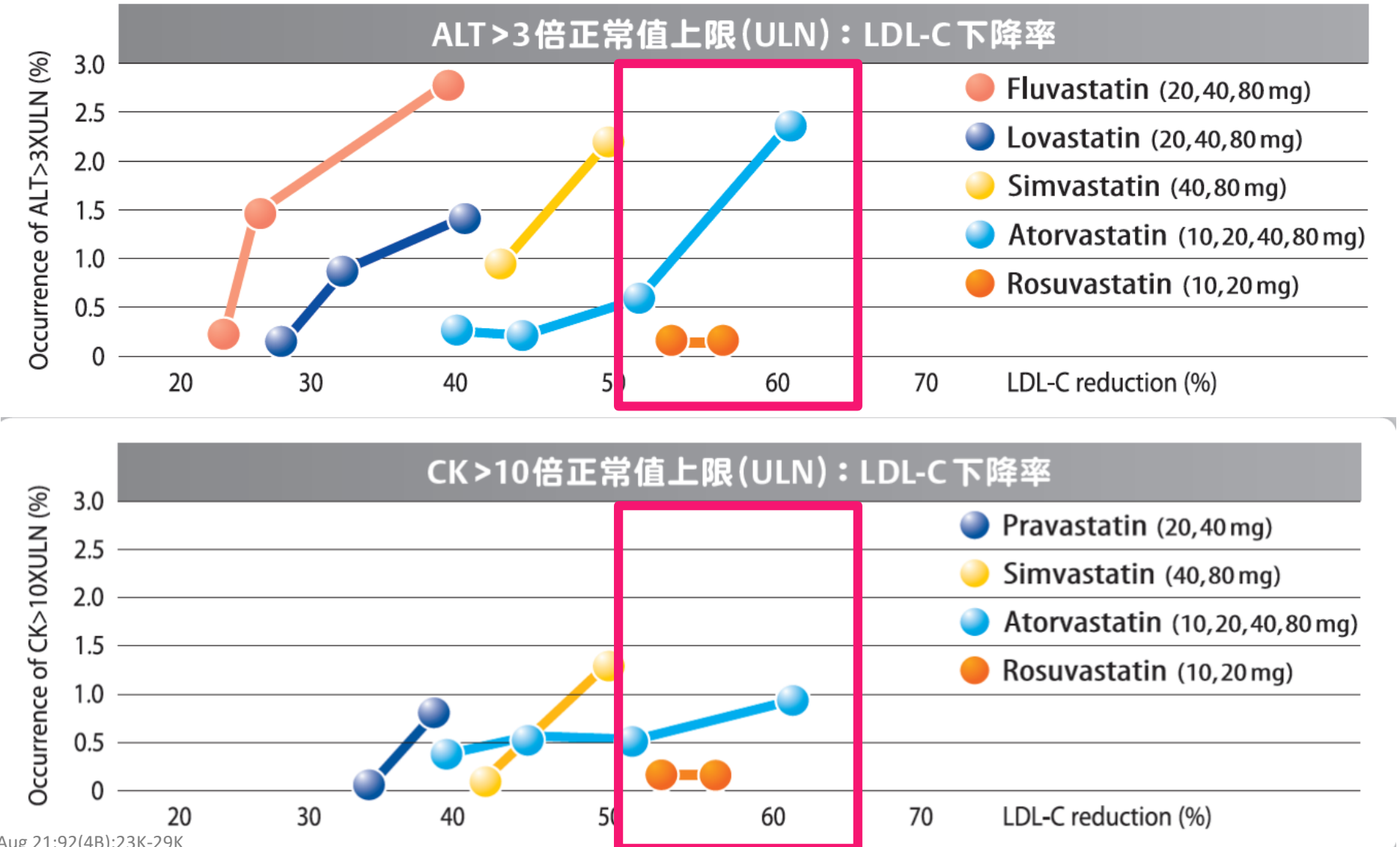
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Non CYP3A4-MET statin : Rosuvastatin, Pravastatin

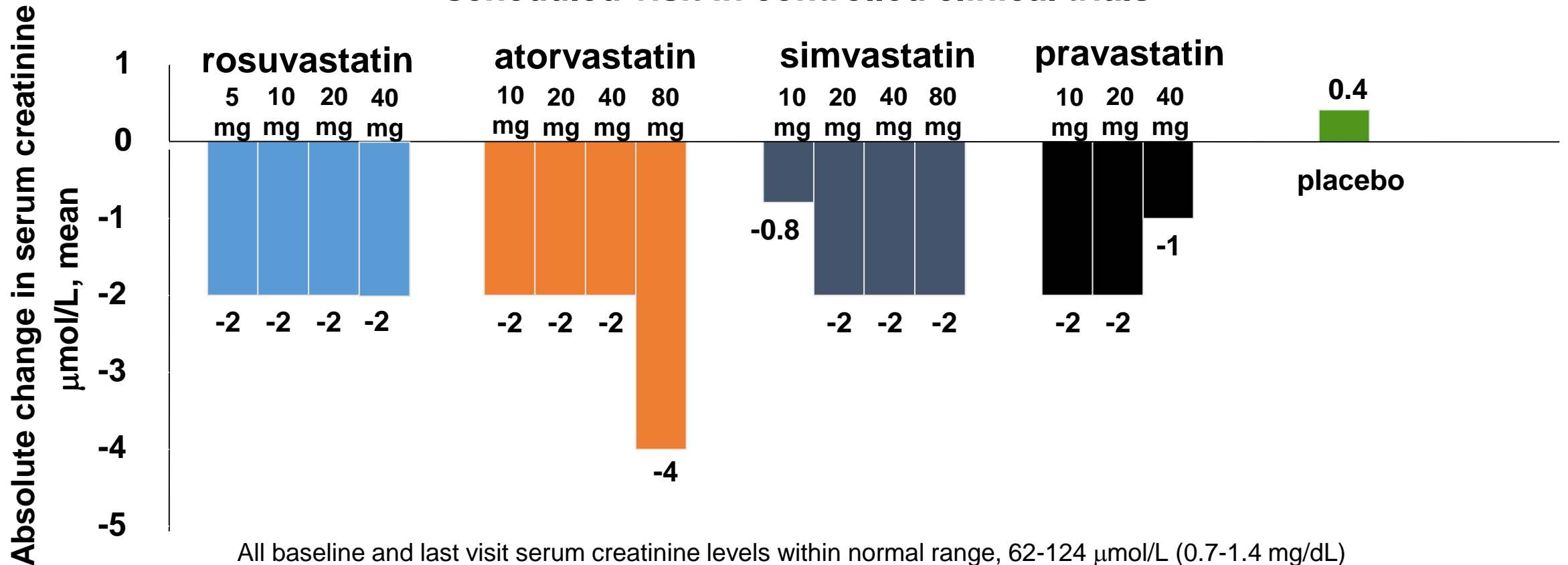
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Rosuvastatin : Low dose and high potency has a favorable safety profile and good tolerability



Rosuvastatin : maintenance of renal function assessed by serum creatinine

Change in serum creatinine levels from baseline to last scheduled visit in controlled clinical trials



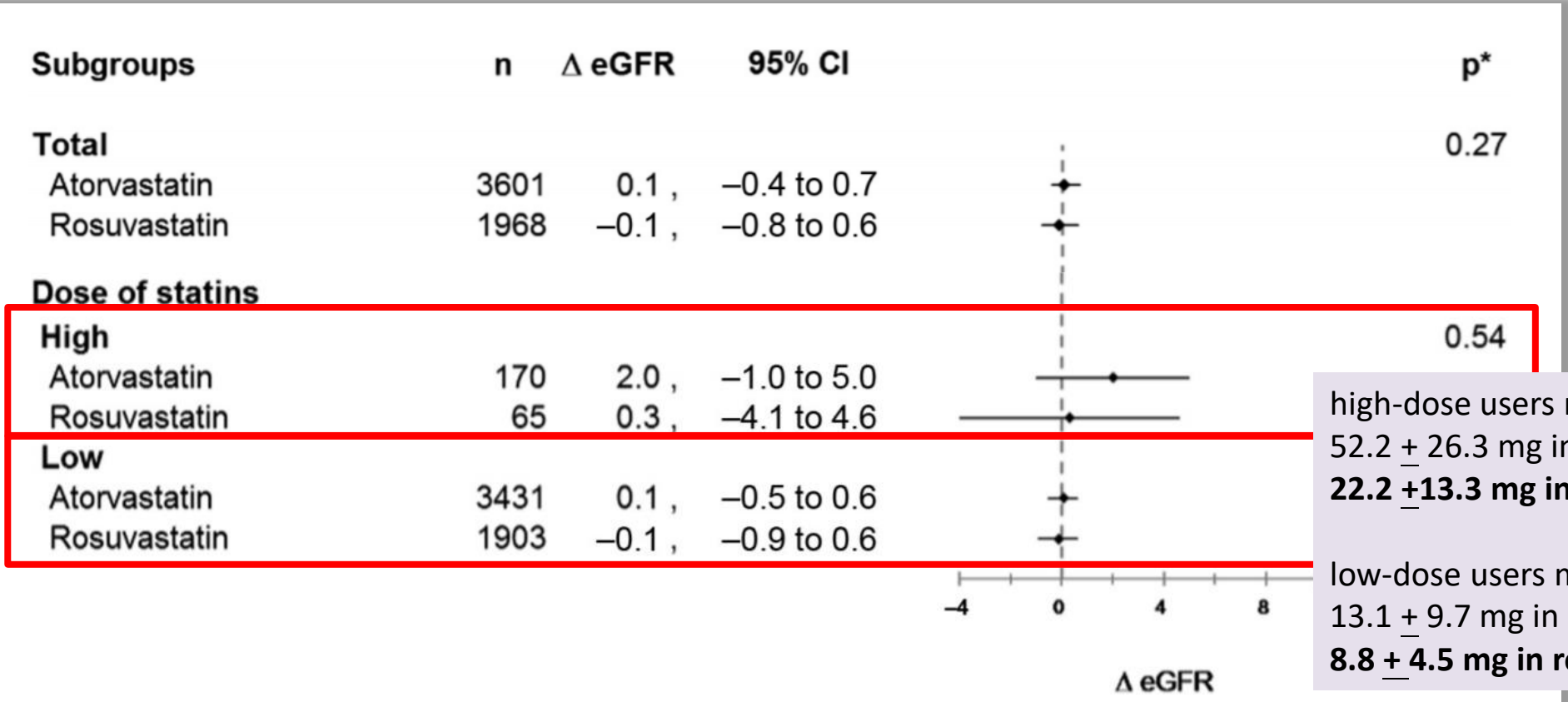
Taiwan RWE: Rosuvastatin and atorvastatin showed a similar phenomenon in eGFR

Effects of Atorvastatin and Rosuvastatin on Renal Function in Patients With Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus



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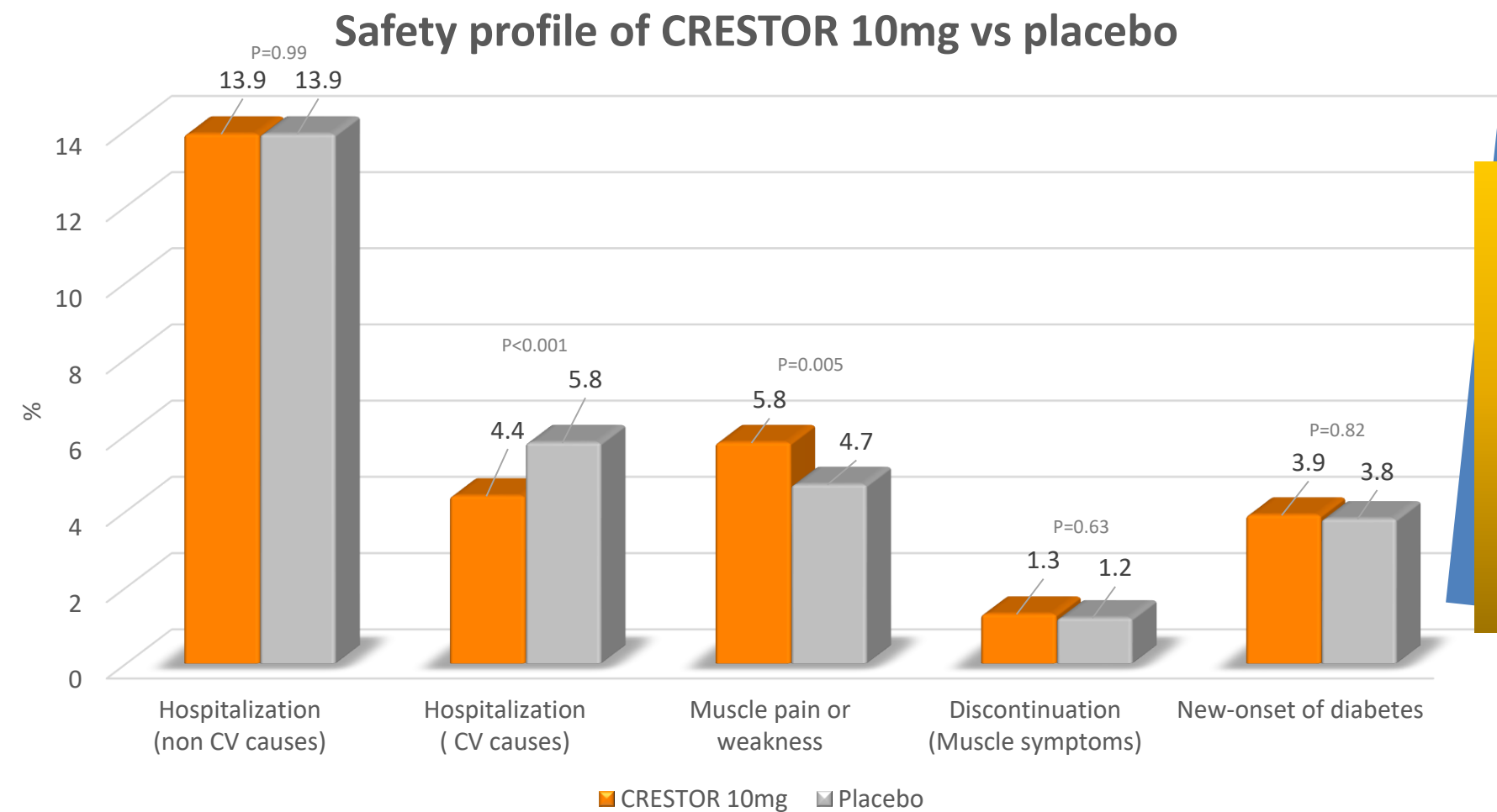
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high-dose users mean daily dosage :
52.2 ± 26.3 mg in atorvastatin users
22.2 ± 13.3 mg in rosuvastatin users

low-dose users mean daily dosage :
13.1 ± 9.7 mg in atorvastatin users
8.8 ± 4.5 mg in rosuvastatin users

Rosuvastatin demonstrated comparable safety profile with placebo



CRESTOR®
did not significant
increase in new-onset
of diabetes

CRESTOR is associated with low risk of new-onset diabetes (NOD) in a retrospective cohort study

The risk estimate of new-onset diabetes for fluvastatin, lovastatin and **rosuvastatin** was lower than nonusers.

Cox univariate analysis of incidence of hazard ratios (HRs) with 95% CIs for patients with new-onset diabetes (NOD) according to prescriptions for statins compared with non-NOD subjects.

Drug class	HR	95% CI	p	HR*	95% CI*	p [†]
Pravastatin	1.40	1.20–1.62	<0.0001	1.34	1.15–1.55	0.0001
Fluvastatin	0.45	0.34–0.60	<0.0001	0.45	0.34–0.60	<0.0001
Lovastatin	0.66	0.57–0.78	<0.0001	0.71	0.61–0.84	<0.0001
Simvastatin	1.12	0.94–1.34	0.2068	1.10	0.92–1.31	0.3034
Atorvastatin	1.32	1.19–1.47	<0.0001	1.29	1.16–1.44	<0.0001
Rosuvastatin	0.53	0.38–0.74	0.0002	0.54	0.39–0.77	0.0005

*All variables were adjusted for age and sex. †P values between NOD and non-NOD subjects.

Statin risk summary: CV benefits outweigh risks



CV benefits
outweigh risks

- **8** times more likely to prevent CV events than cause one case of diabetes¹
- **34%** CV risk reduction in patients with IFG²

Risk of side
effects

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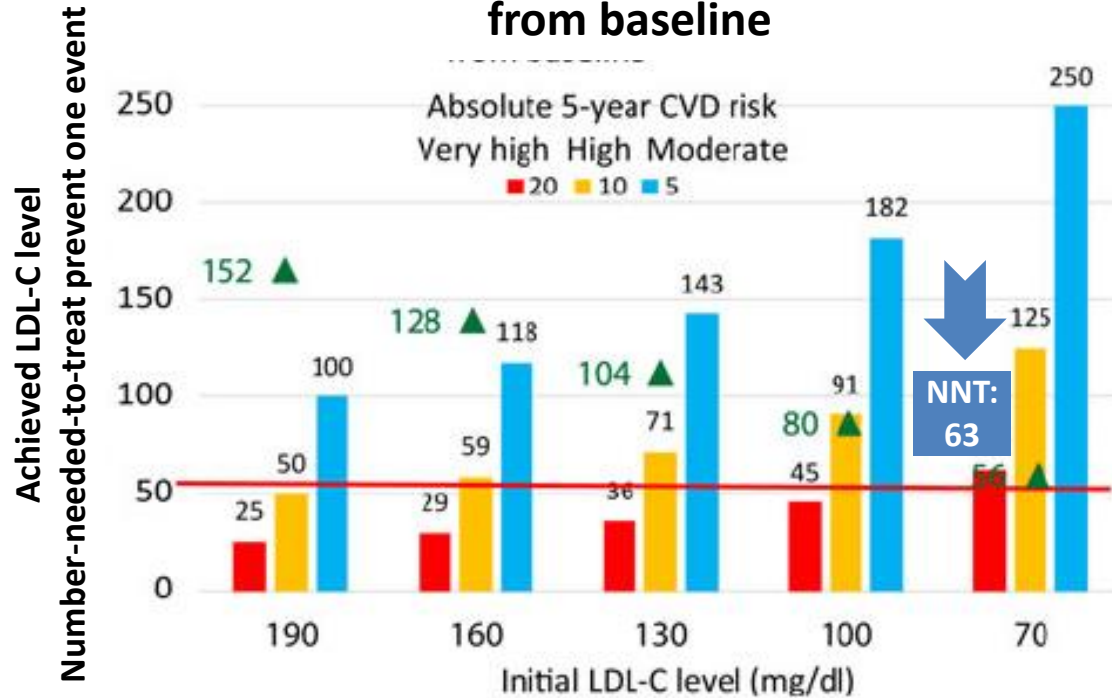
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WHY Rosuvastatin : High Intensity Help

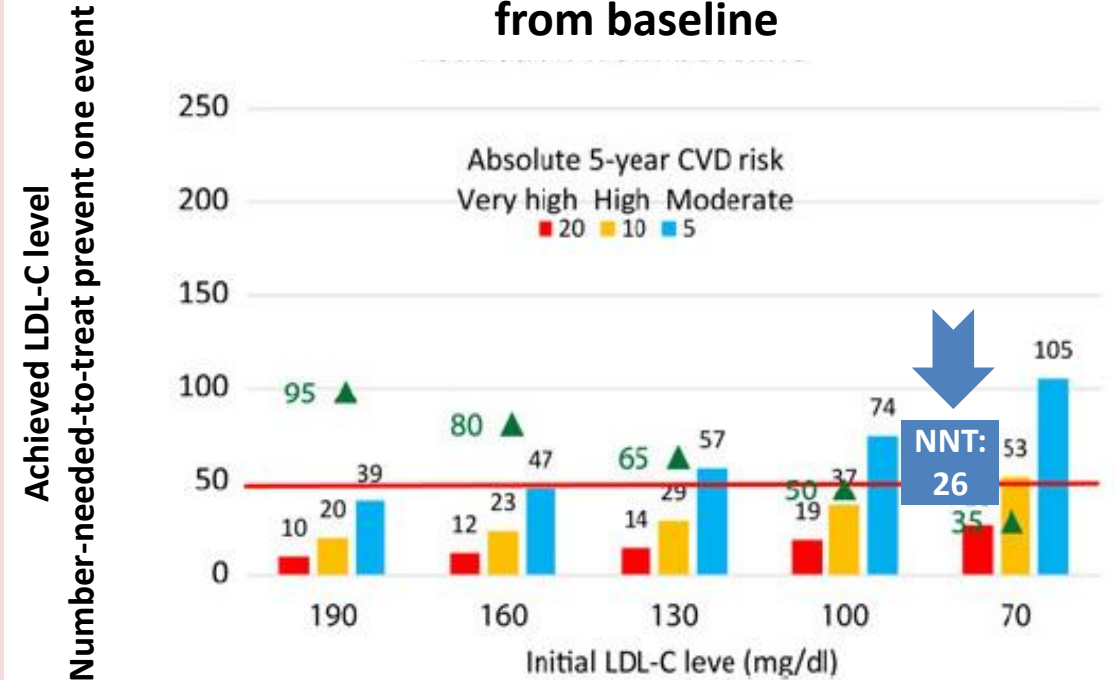
LDL-C $\geq 50\%$ reduction results with lower NNT: Lower might be better

LDL-C decision-making could be based on net benefit as estimated by NNT

NNTs and achieved LDL-C for **20%** reduction from baseline

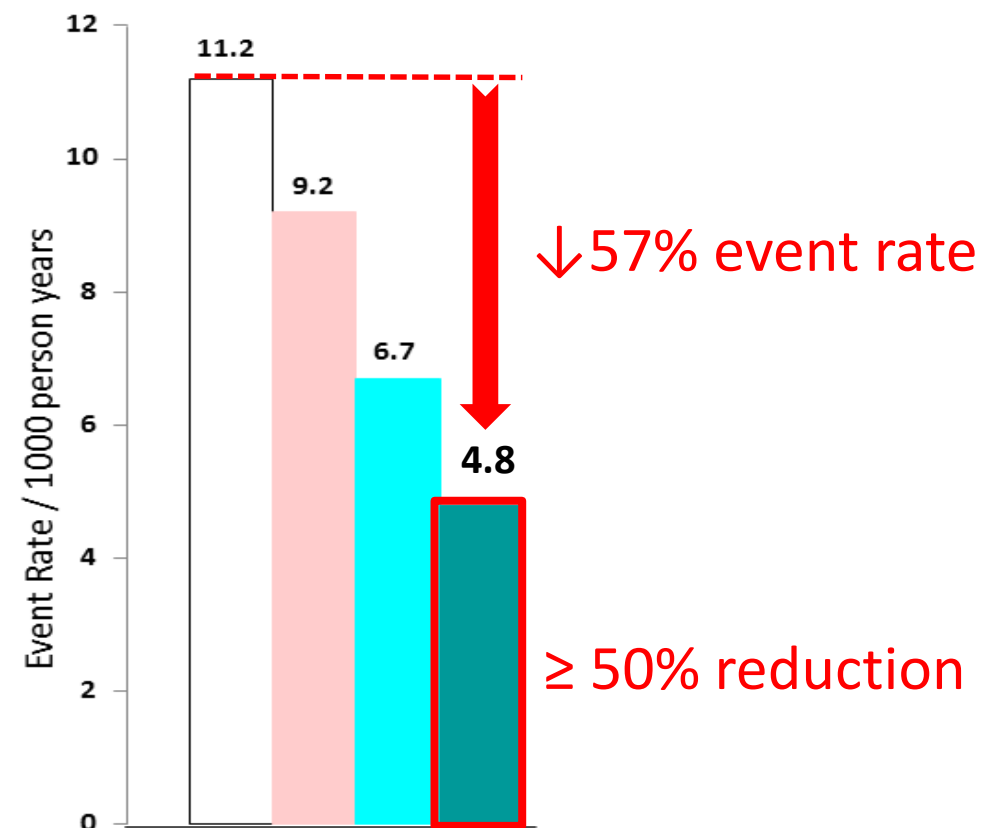
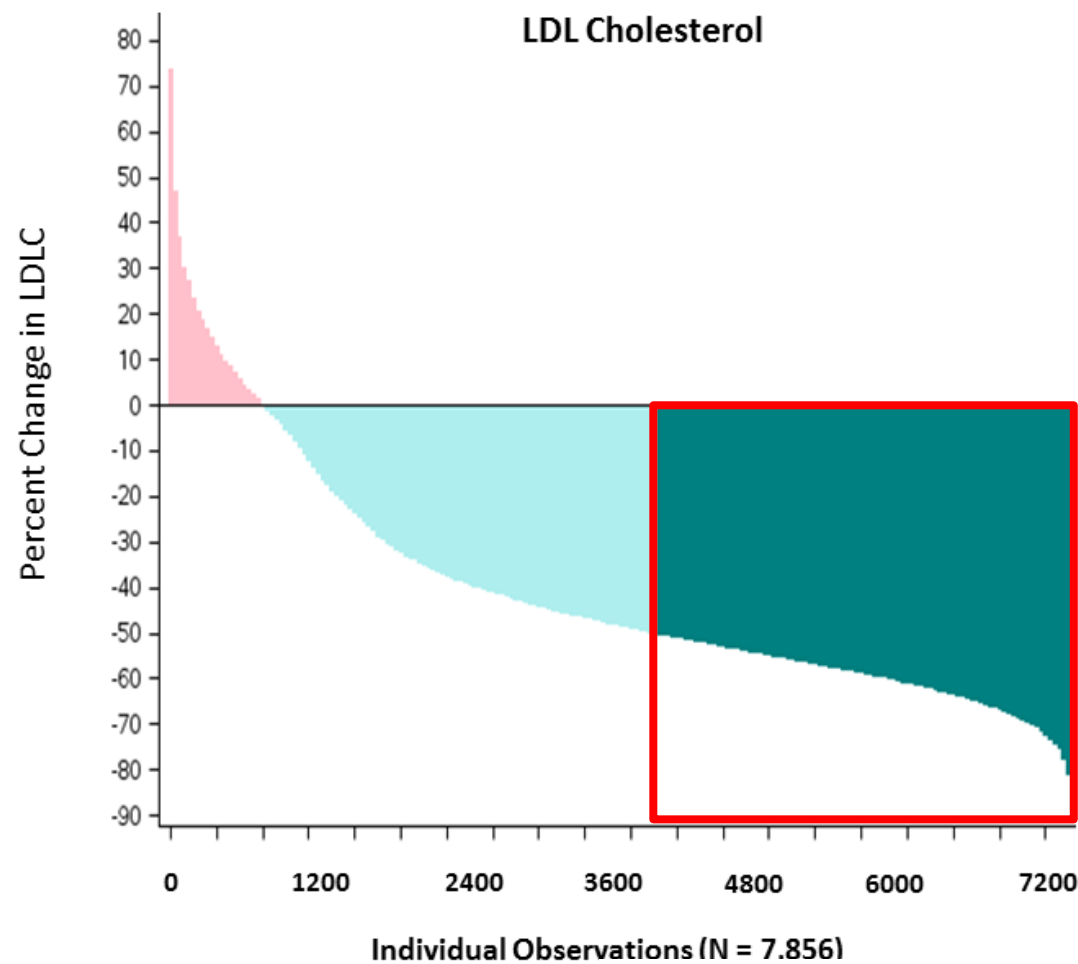


NNTs and achieved LDL-C for **50%** reduction from baseline



NNT= Number needed to treat

% LDL-C reductions directly related to the risks of first CV events



>50% LDL-C reduction with less risk of first cardiovascular events

Attained LDL≤70mg/dl

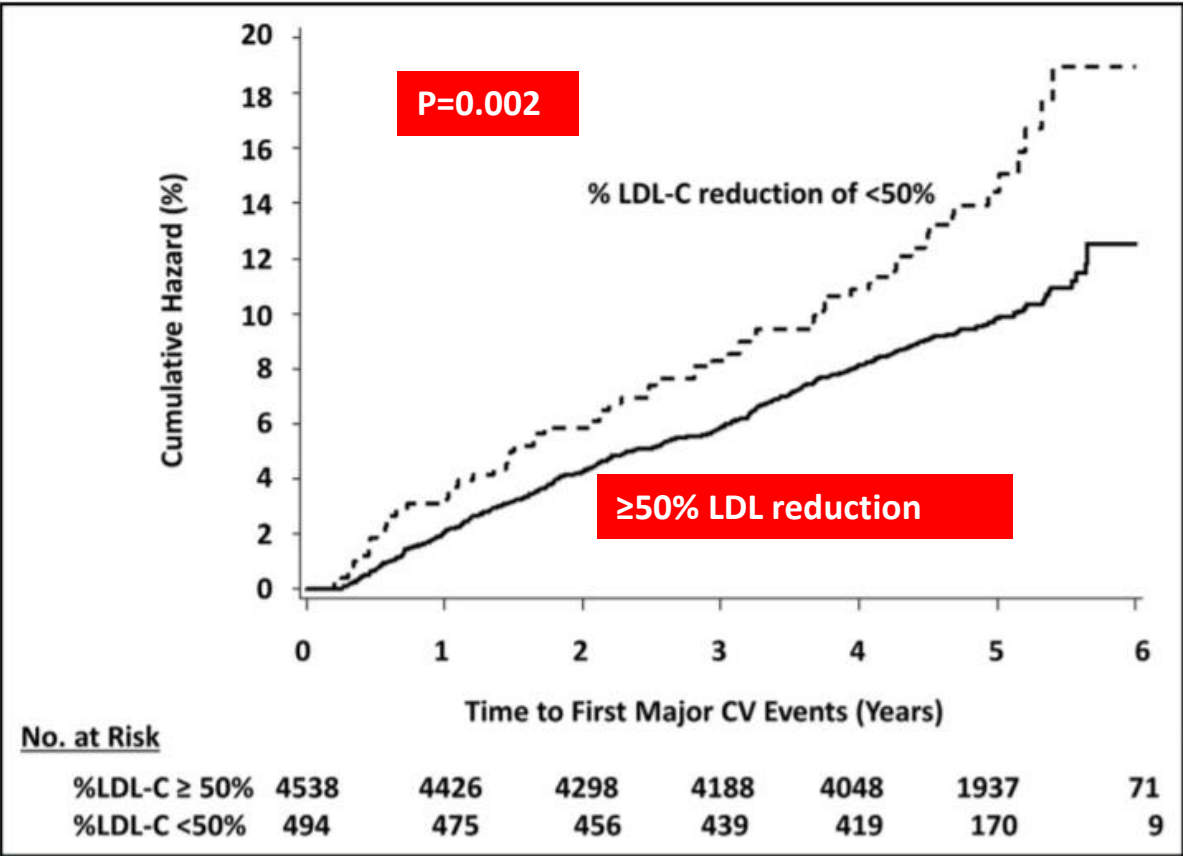


Figure 1 Major cardiovascular events in the cohort with attained LDL-C ≤70 mg/dL as a function of percent LDL-C reduction. LDL = low-density lipoprotein.

Attained LDL>70mg/dl

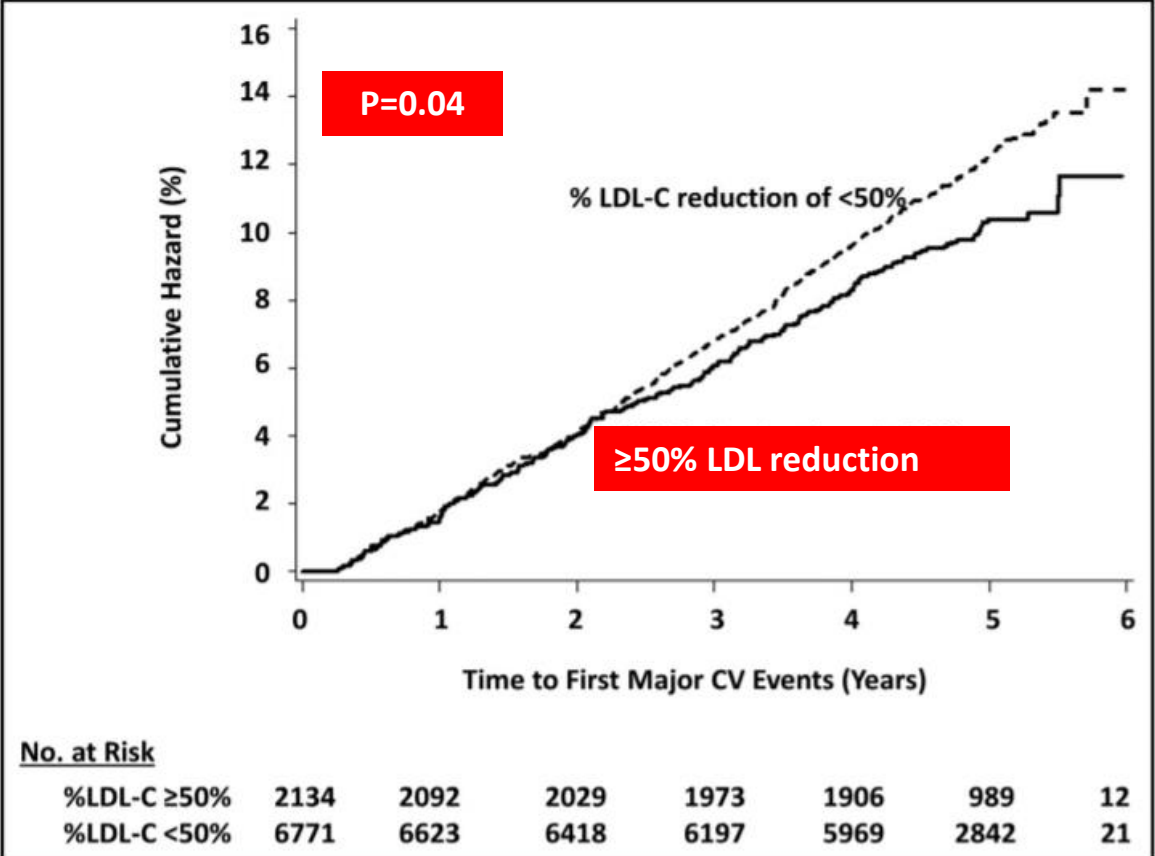
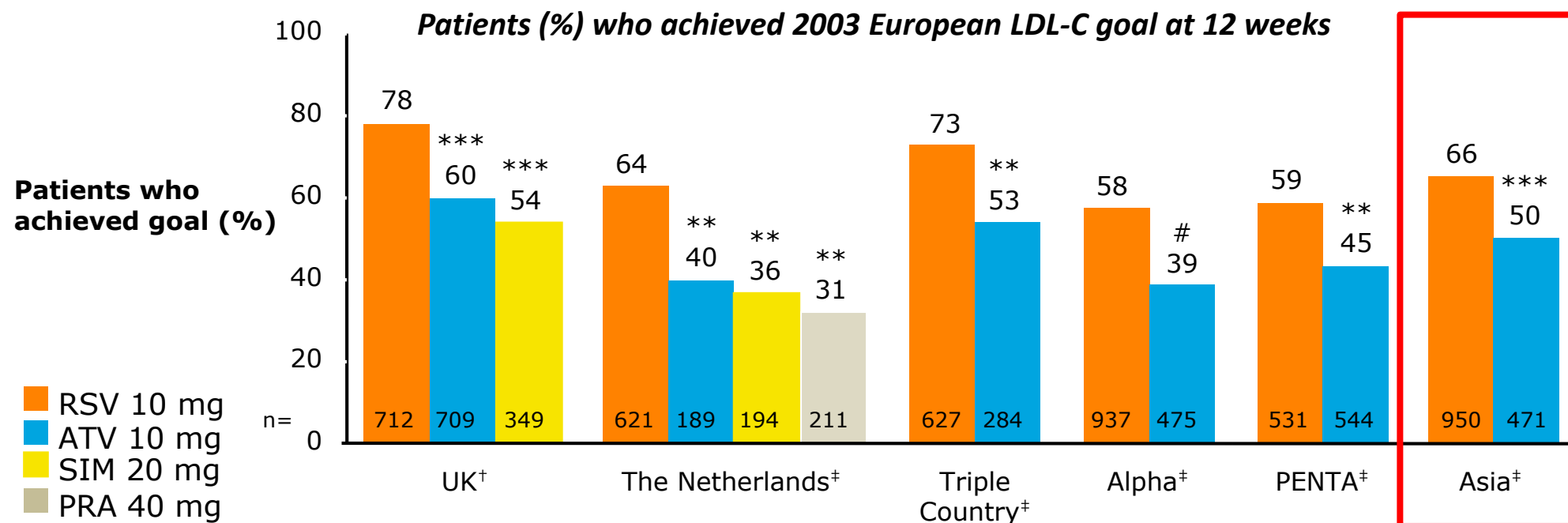


Figure 2 Major cardiovascular events in the cohort with attained LDL-C >70 mg/dL as a function of percent LDL-C reduction. LDL = low-density lipoprotein.

WHY Rosuvastatin : In practice

CRESTOR in Asia : more than 60% patients achieve goal



2003 European goal: LDL-C <2.5 or 3.0 mmol/L depending on CVD risk

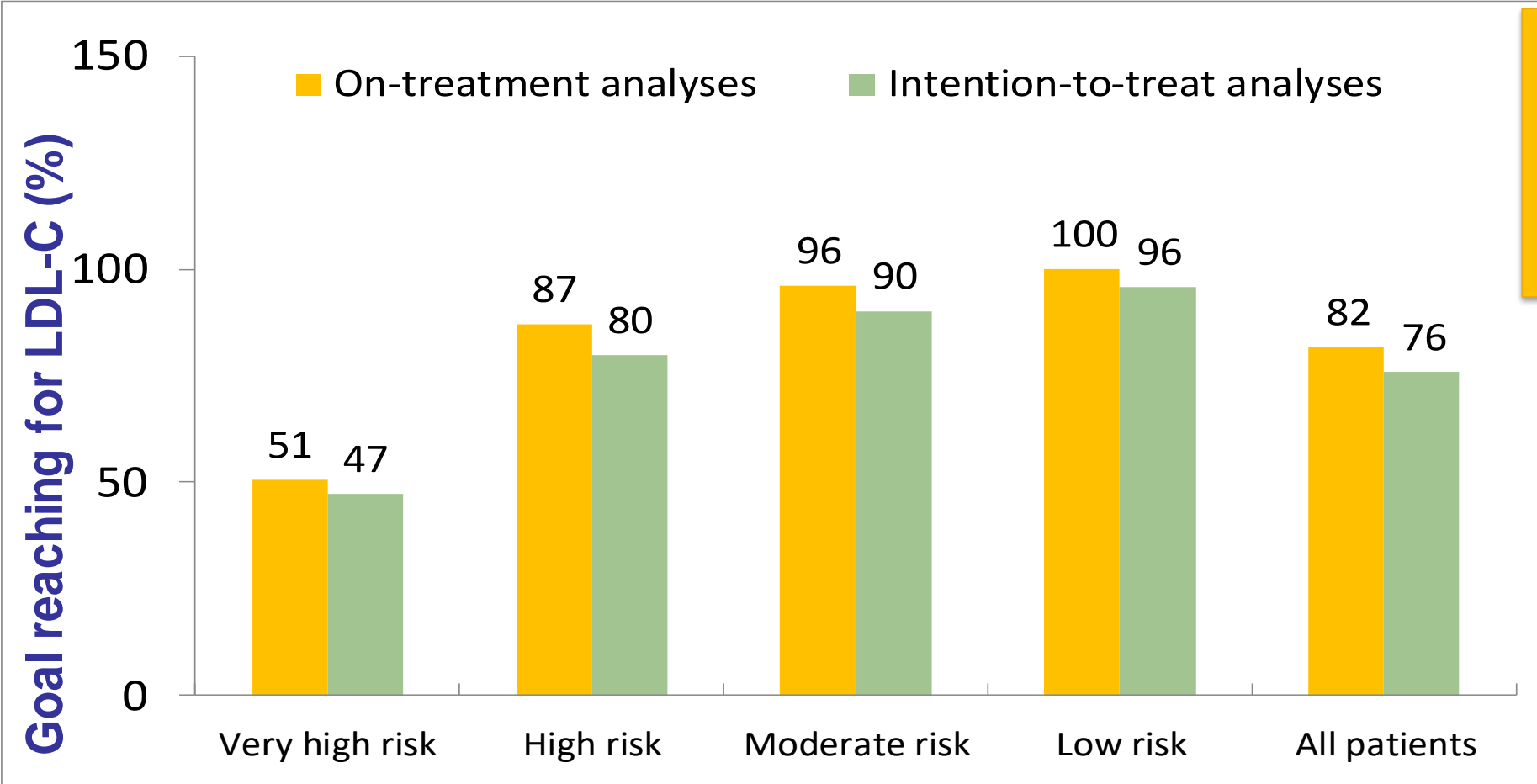
LDL-C=low-density lipoprotein cholesterol; RSV=rosuvastatin; ATV=atorvastatin; SIM=simvastatin; PRA=pravastatin; CVD=cardiovascular disease

[†]Statin-naïve patients; [‡]Statin-naïve and previously treated patients; **p<0.001 vs RSV 10 mg; ***p<0.0001 vs RSV 10 mg;

#No statistical analysis was performed on these data



CRESTOR 10mg helped more than 75% Taiwan patients reached their therapeutic goals



Goal (mg/dL)

Low risk < 160

Moderate risk < 130

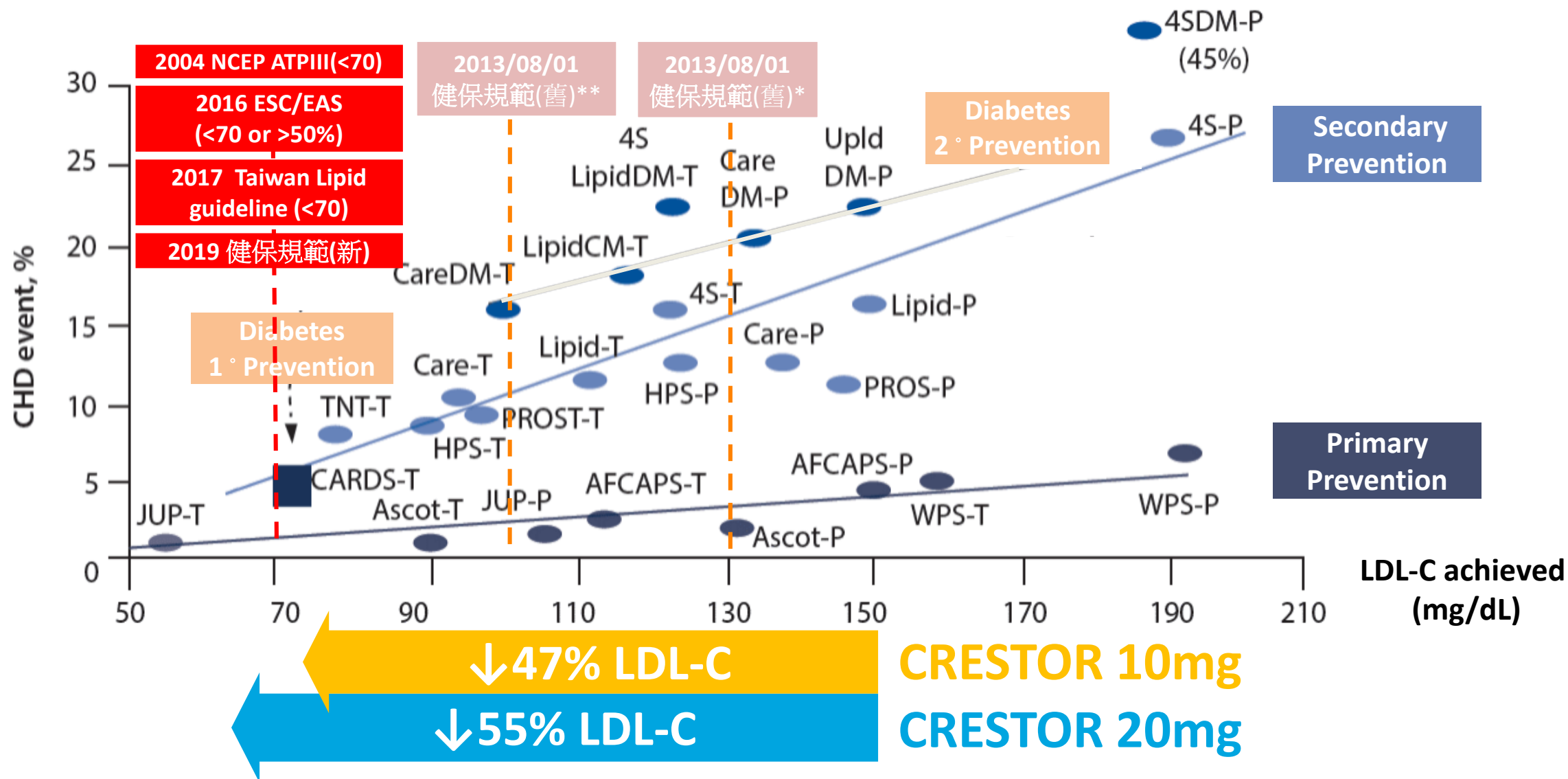
High risk <100

Very high risk <70

Overall more than 75% of patients reached therapeutic goals with rosuvastatin therapy

Established evidence of “Lower is Better”

■ : very-high risk
 *兩個危險因子以上
 **心血管疾病或糖尿病患者



Take Home Messages

- Rosuvastatin has greater LDL-C lowering efficacy¹ and superior HDL-C increasing efficacy²
- Rosuvastatin is efficacious in regressing coronary plaque volume in CAD patients with hyperlipidemia, and useful for secondary prevention³
- Rosuvastatin helped more than 75% Taiwan patients reached their therapeutic goals⁴
- Rosuvastatin has low potential for drug-drug interactions through non-CYP3A4 metabolism⁵

Thanks for Your Attention



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