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Women and Men are Different... But Also Have a Lot in Common



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Preventing and Experiencing Ischemic Heart Disease as a Woman: State of the Science

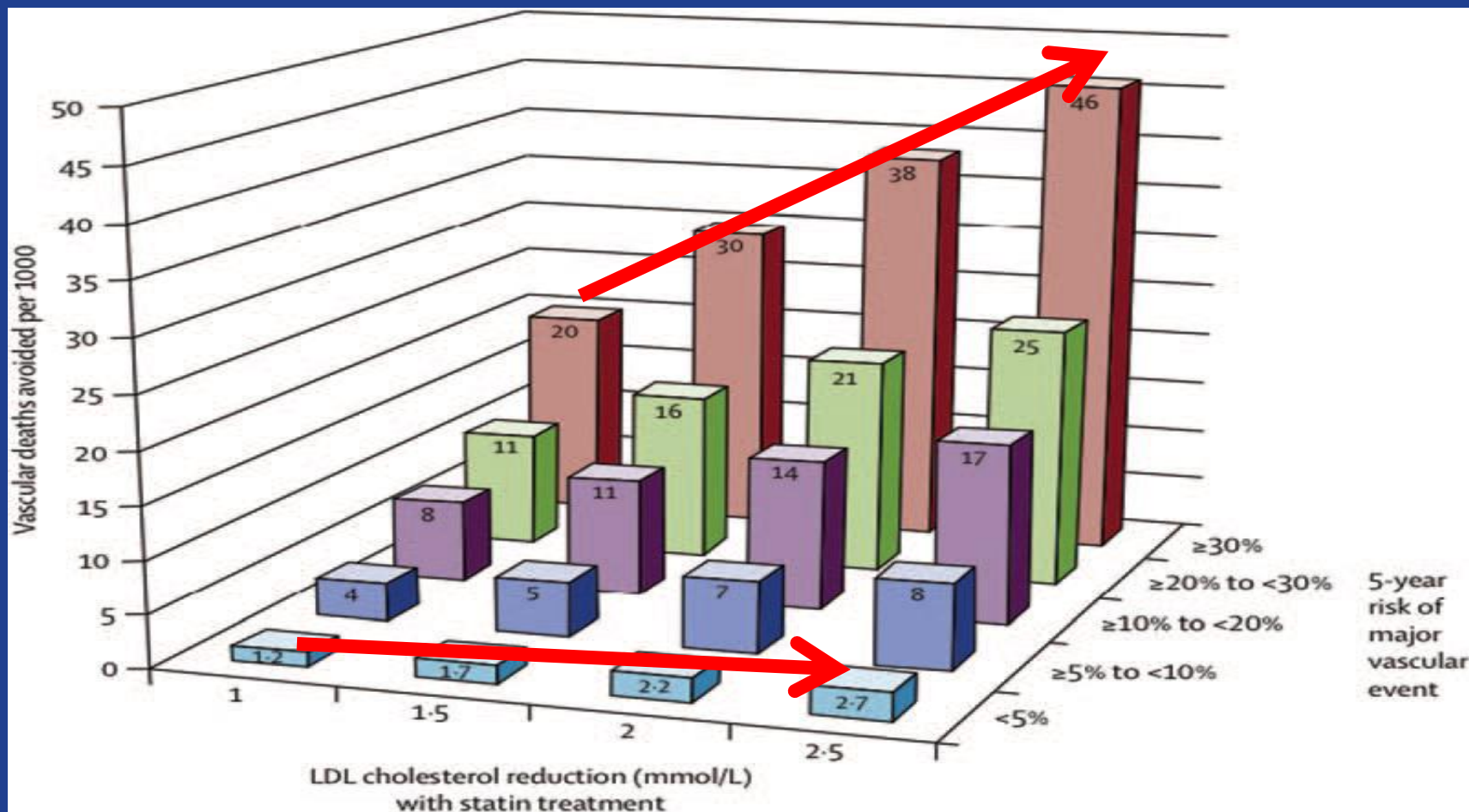
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Predicted Vascular Deaths Avoided Over 5 Years From Reductions in LDL-C With Statins at Different Levels of CVD Risk



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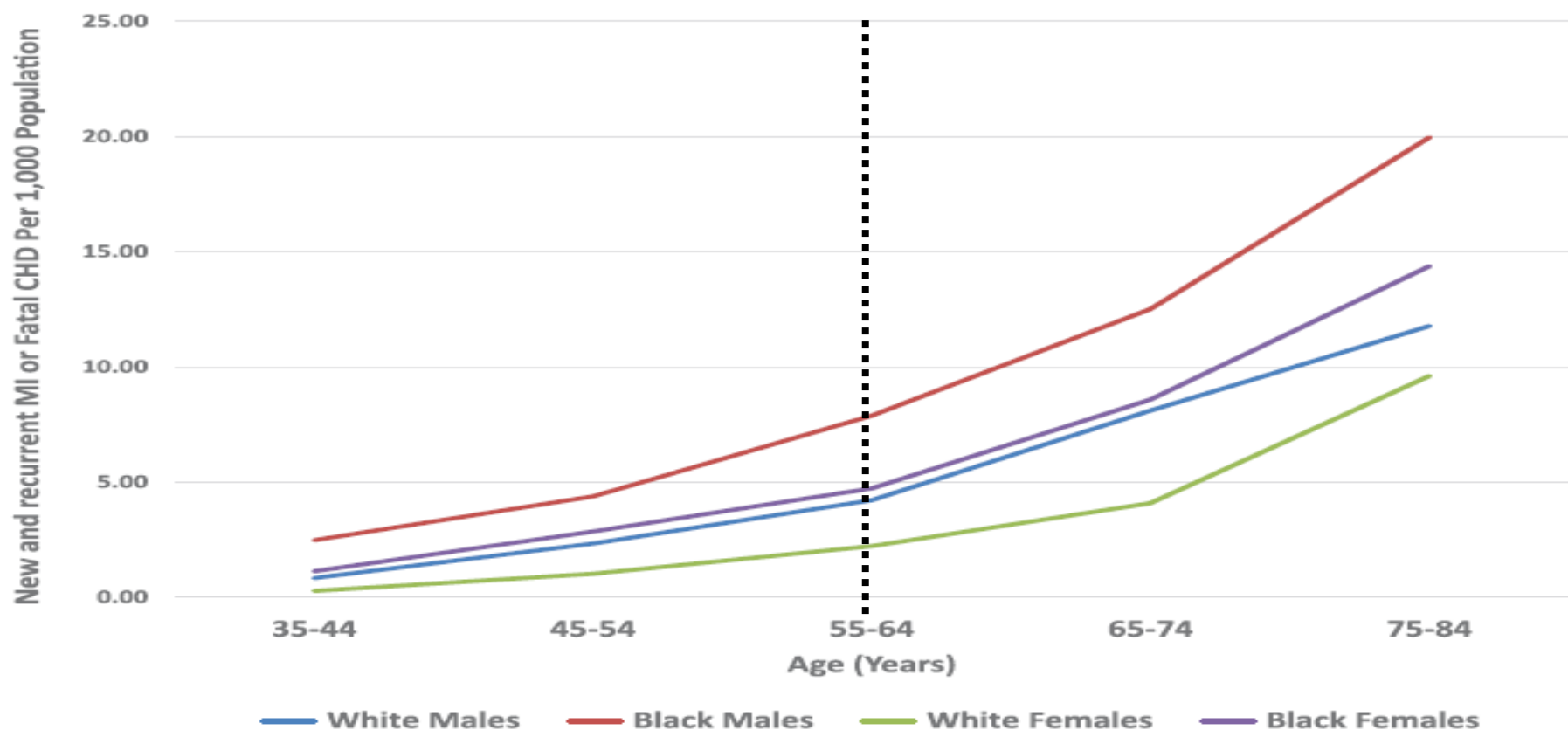
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Incidence of MI or fatal CHD by age, sex, and race
(ARIC Surveillance 2005–2014)



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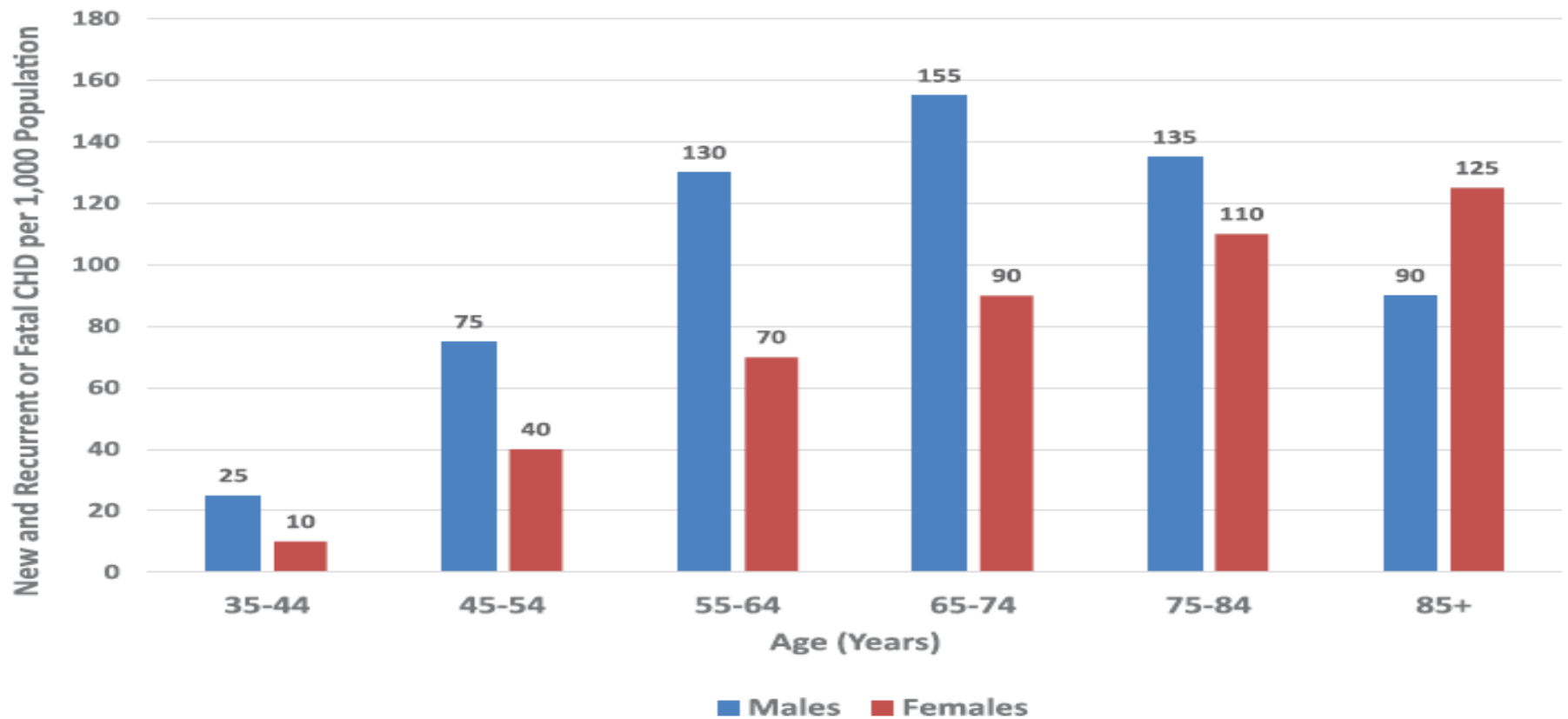
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Annual number of adults per 1000 having diagnosed MI or fatal CHD by age and sex (ARIC 2005–2014 and CHS).



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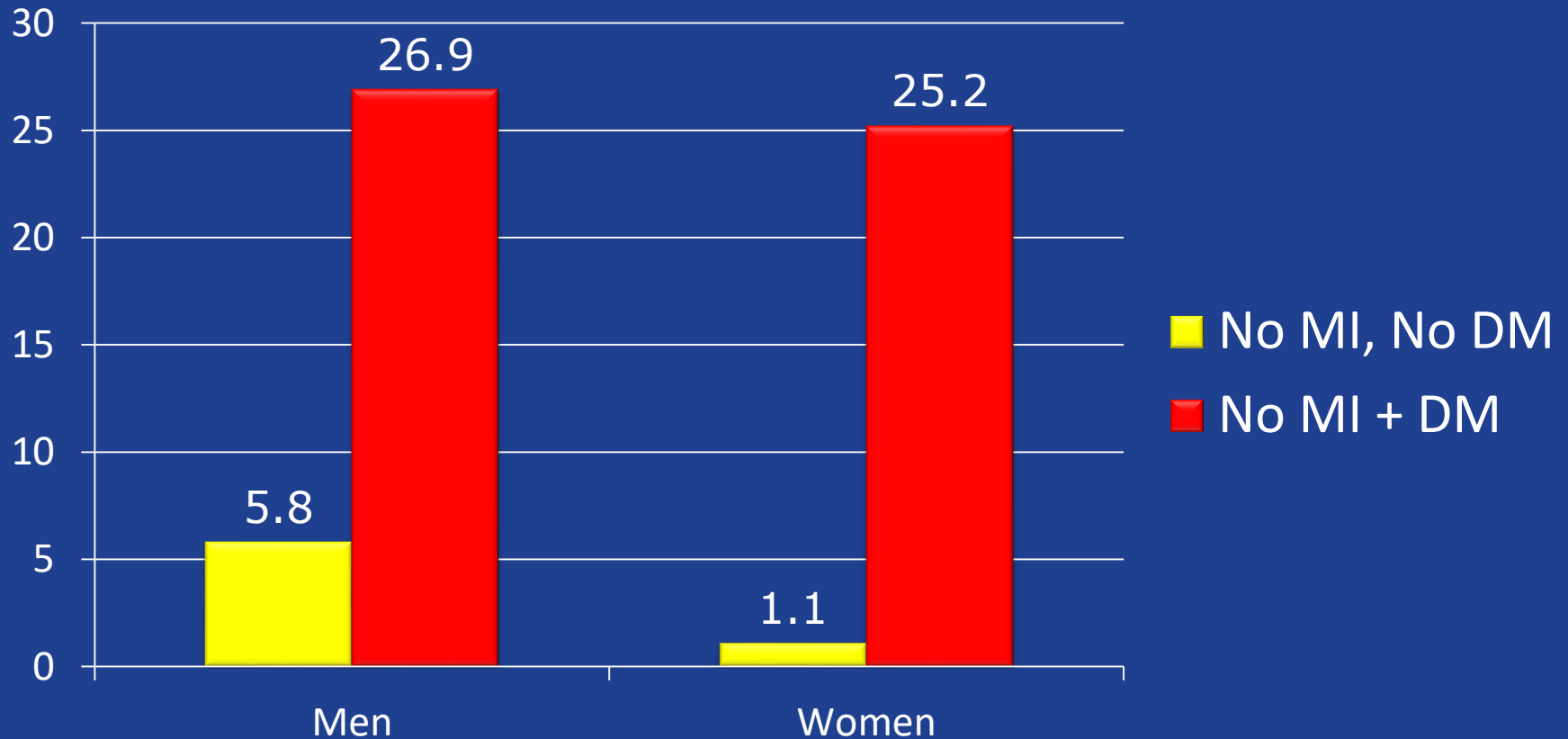
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- **IHD death rate in younger women 35-44 years of age continues to increase, while it is decreasing in their male counterparts**

Loss of Gender Benefit for CHD Mortality in Diabetic Women Without Prior MI

Finnish population study (18-year follow-up)



Numbers on bars represent number of persons in category at baseline.

* $P < 0.001$, † $P < 0.05$ vs persons without diabetes.

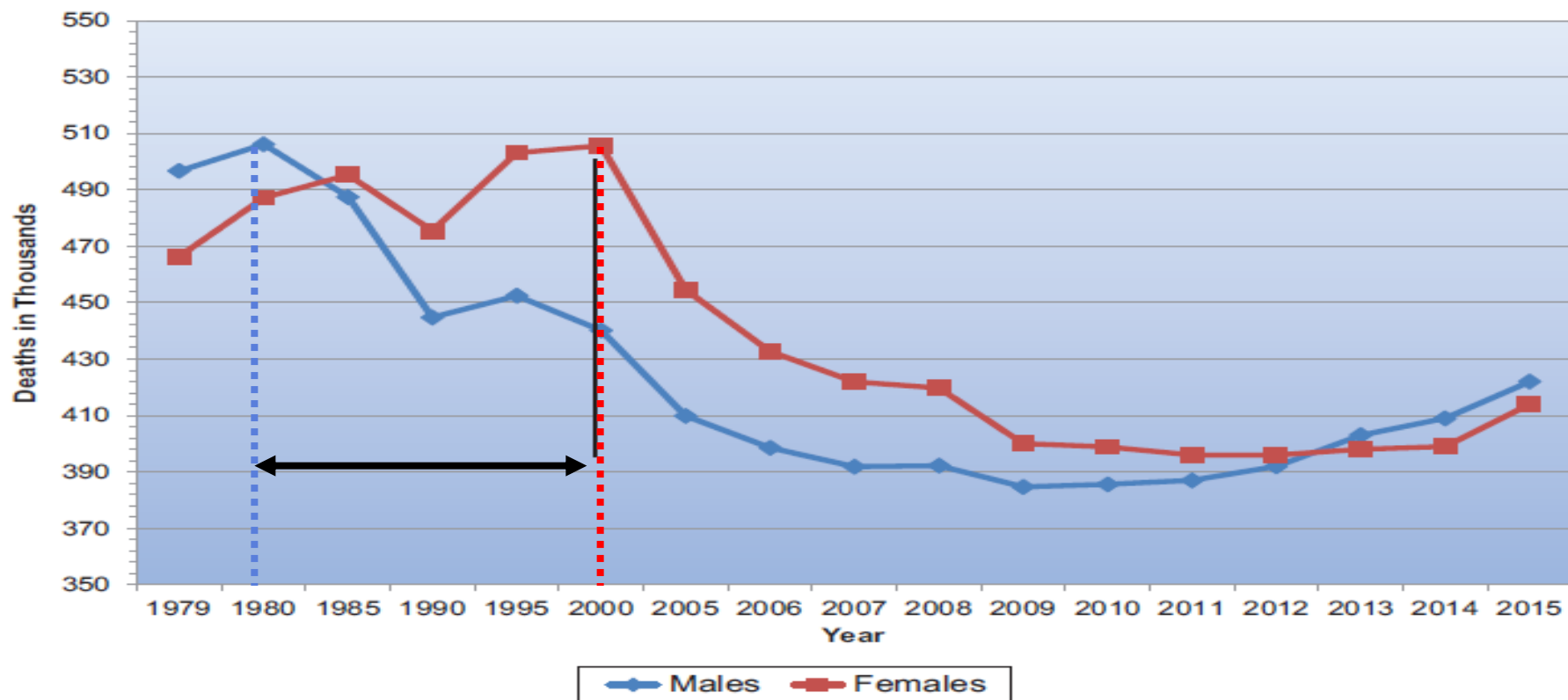
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CVD Mortality Trends for Males and Females (United States: 1979–2015)



DO STATINS WORK AS WELL FOR WOMEN?

CONTROVERSY surrounds whether women get the same benefit from statins as men. Some researchers claim trials do not give a definitive answer – because most of the subjects were middle-aged men.

Although research shows that death rates appear to drop more markedly in men taking the drugs after surviving a first heart attack or stroke, recurrence rates fell for both genders.

There is no biological reason why statins should not work in both sexes – and five years' use leads to the same heart benefits, studies have shown.

However, younger women have natural protection against heart disease because of the hormone oestrogen, which they lose during the menopause. It means women over 50 are more likely to benefit when their risk rises to match older men.

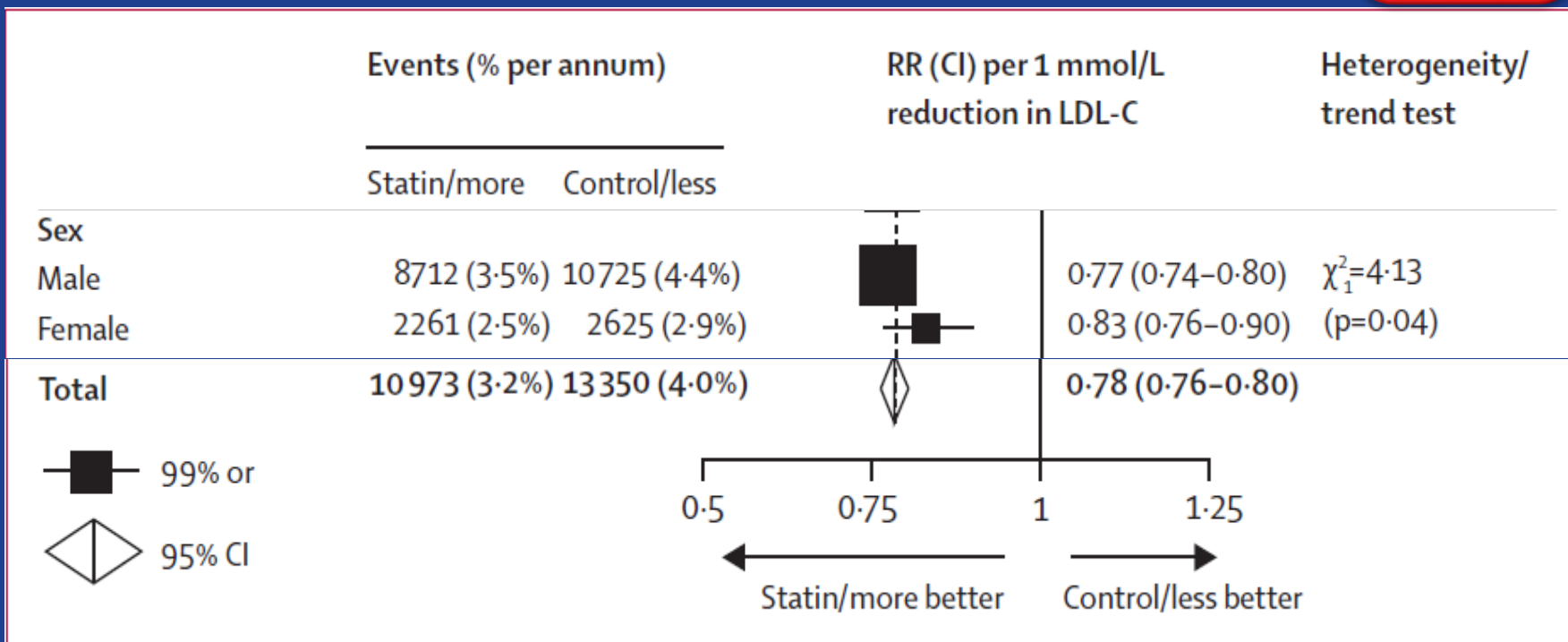
Researchers from Harvard Medical School re-analysed eight major studies in 2007 and concluded there was no evidence that statins worked as primary prevention for women.

Although some researchers disagree, most accept that women taking statins appear to suffer more side-effects that impact on their quality of life.

Efficacy and safety of more intensive lowering of LDL cholesterol: a meta-analysis of data from 170 000 participants in 26 randomised trials

Cholesterol Treatment Trialists' (CTT) Collaboration*

	Number of patients	Treatment comparison (mg per day)	Median follow-up in survivors (years)*	Baseline LDL-C (mmol/L)	LDL-C difference at 1 year (mmol/L)	Women (%)
Total (26 trials)	169138	NA	4.9	NA	NA	45 495 (27%)

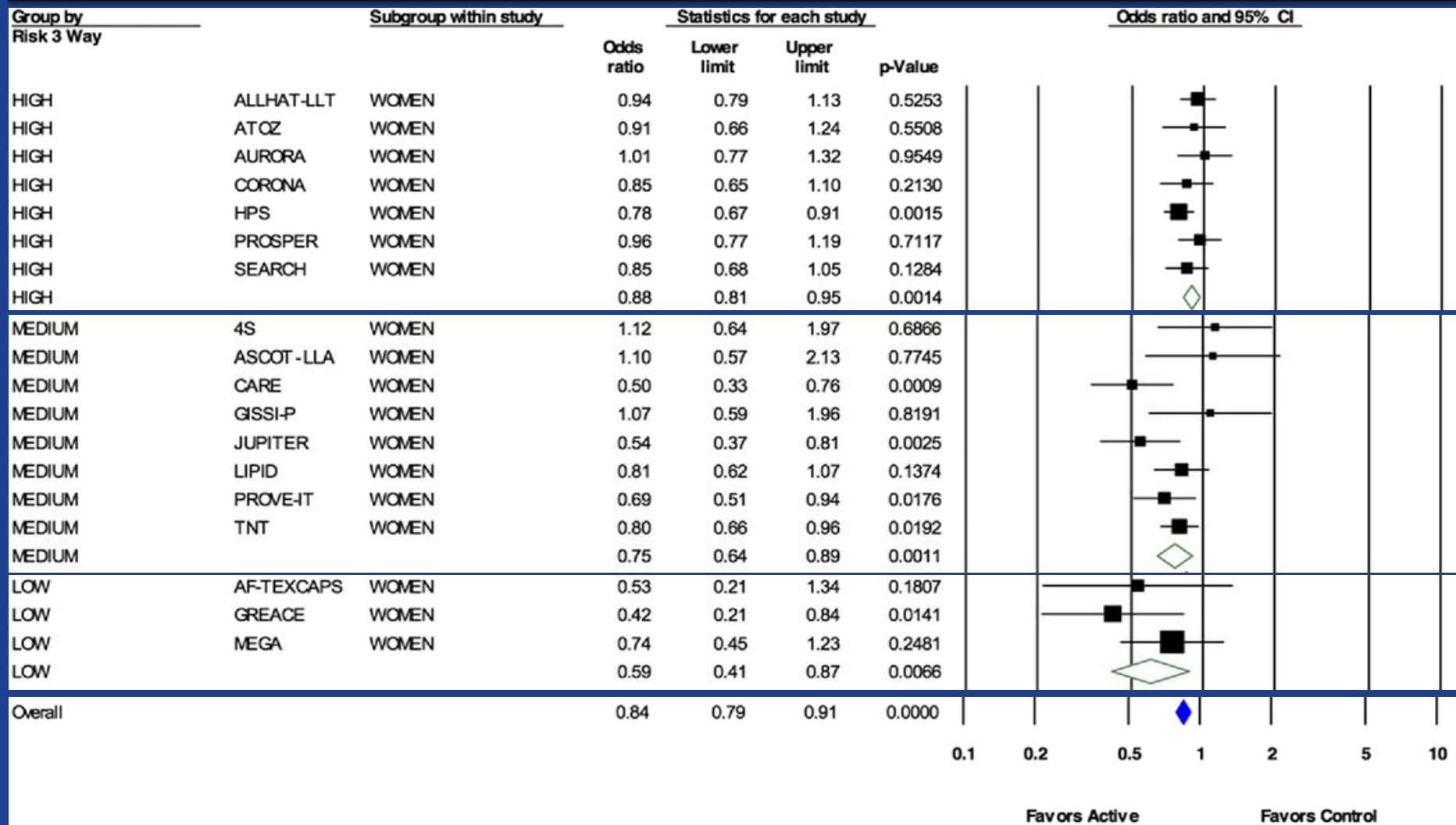


Meta-Analysis of Statin Effects in Women Versus Men

- 18 RCTs of statins with sex-specific outcomes (N=141,235)
 - 40,275 **women (28.5%)**, 21,468 CV events.
- **CV event rate was lower among those randomized to statin** than in those randomized to control (low-dose statin in 4 studies, placebo in 11 studies, usual care in 3 studies) and **similar in women and men**
- **All-cause mortality was also lower with statin** both in women and men without significant interaction by sex

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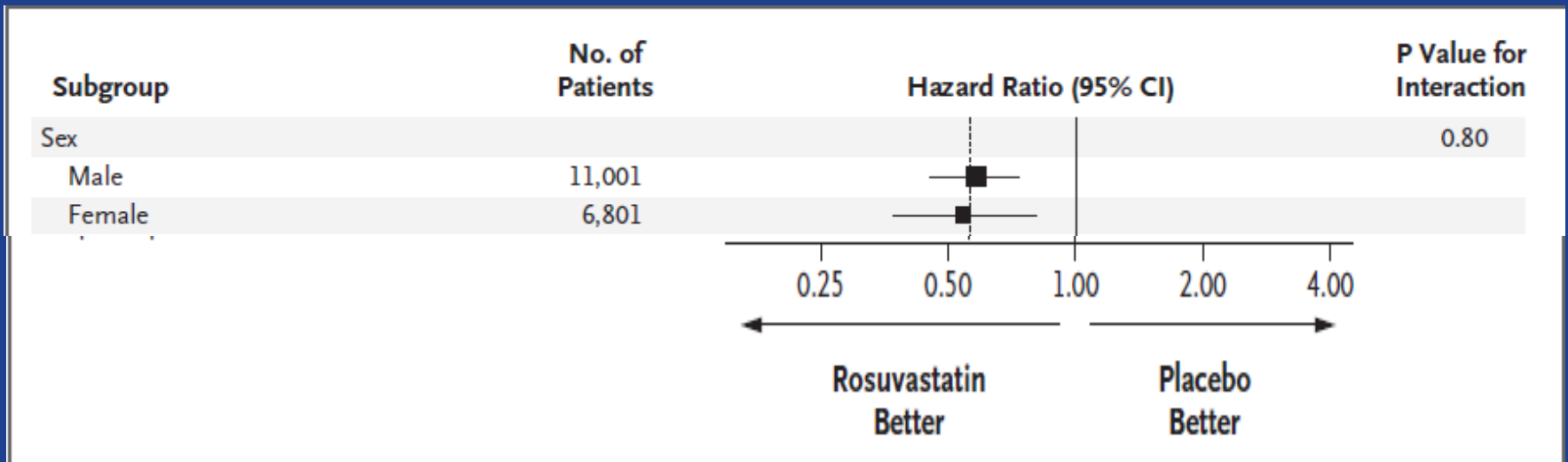
Primary Event by Level of Risk in Each Study in Women



JUPITER: Rosuvastatin for Primary Prevention with Elevated CRP

Table 1. Baseline Characteristics of the Trial Participants, According to Study Group.*

Characteristic	Rosuvastatin (N = 8901)	Placebo (N = 8901)
Age — yr		
Median	66.0	66.0
Interquartile range	60.0–71.0	60.0–71.0
Female sex — no. (%)	3426 (38.5)	3375 (37.9)



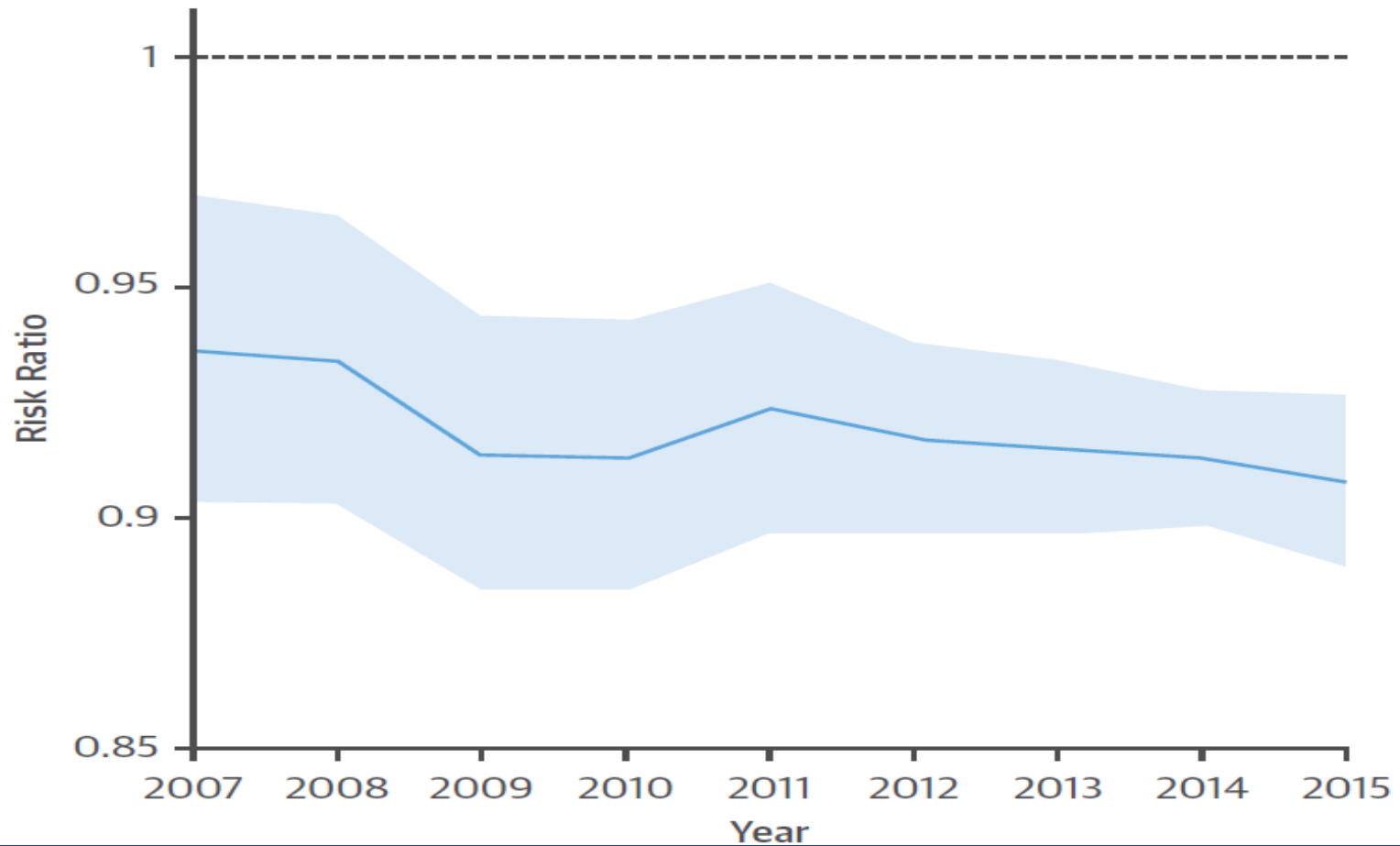
Statins for the primary prevention of cardiovascular disease (Review)



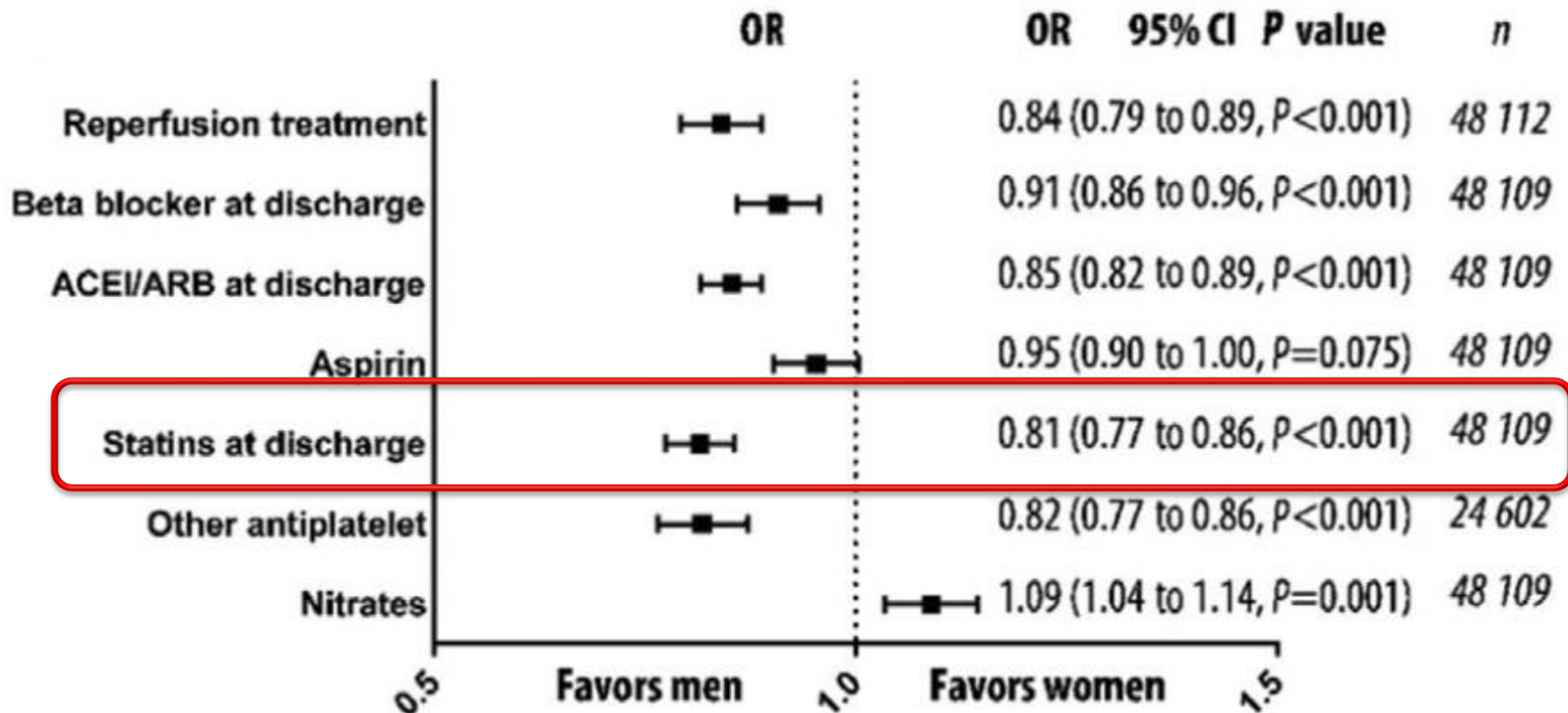
- Men and women, all appear to benefit.
- These findings counter earlier opinion that the evidence is insufficient to support use of statins in primary prevention for women

Sex Differences in High-Intensity Statin Use Following Myocardial Infarction

FIGURE 2 Risk Ratios (95% Confidence Intervals) for Filling a High-Intensity Statin Prescription Among Women Versus Men Between 2007 and 2015



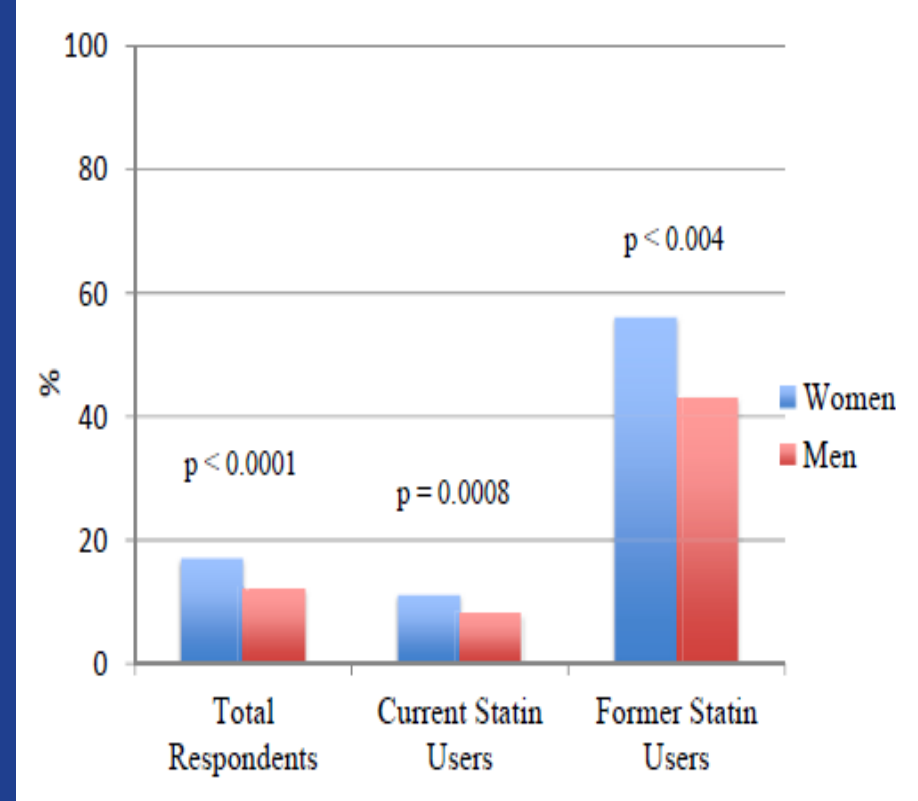
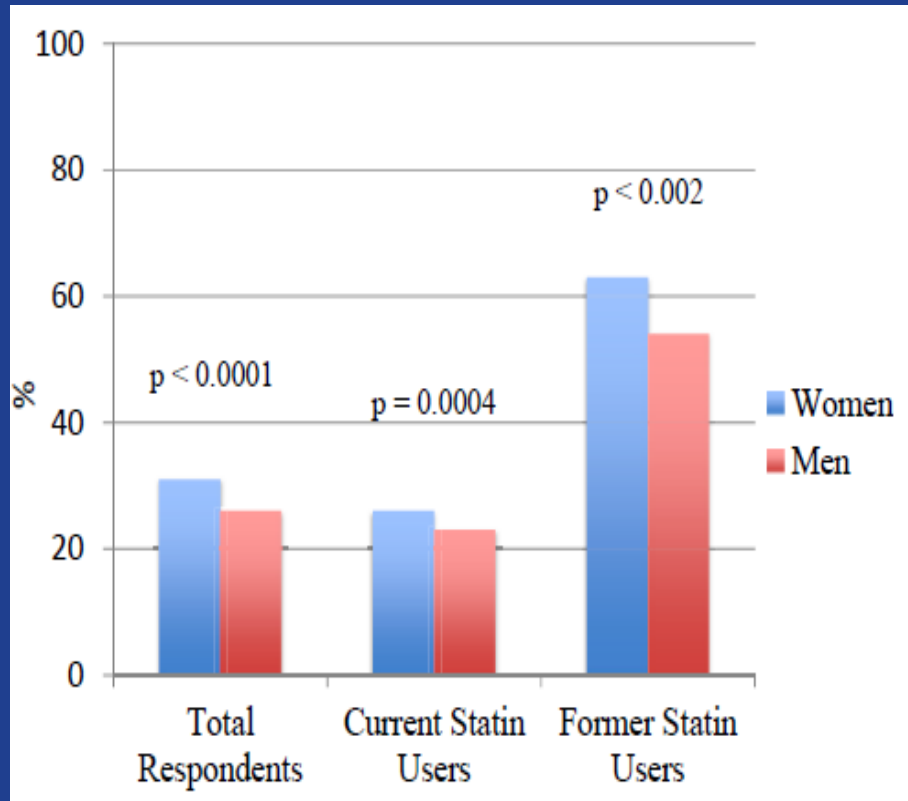
Likelihood of Receiving Evidence-Based Treatment After Acute MI by Sex



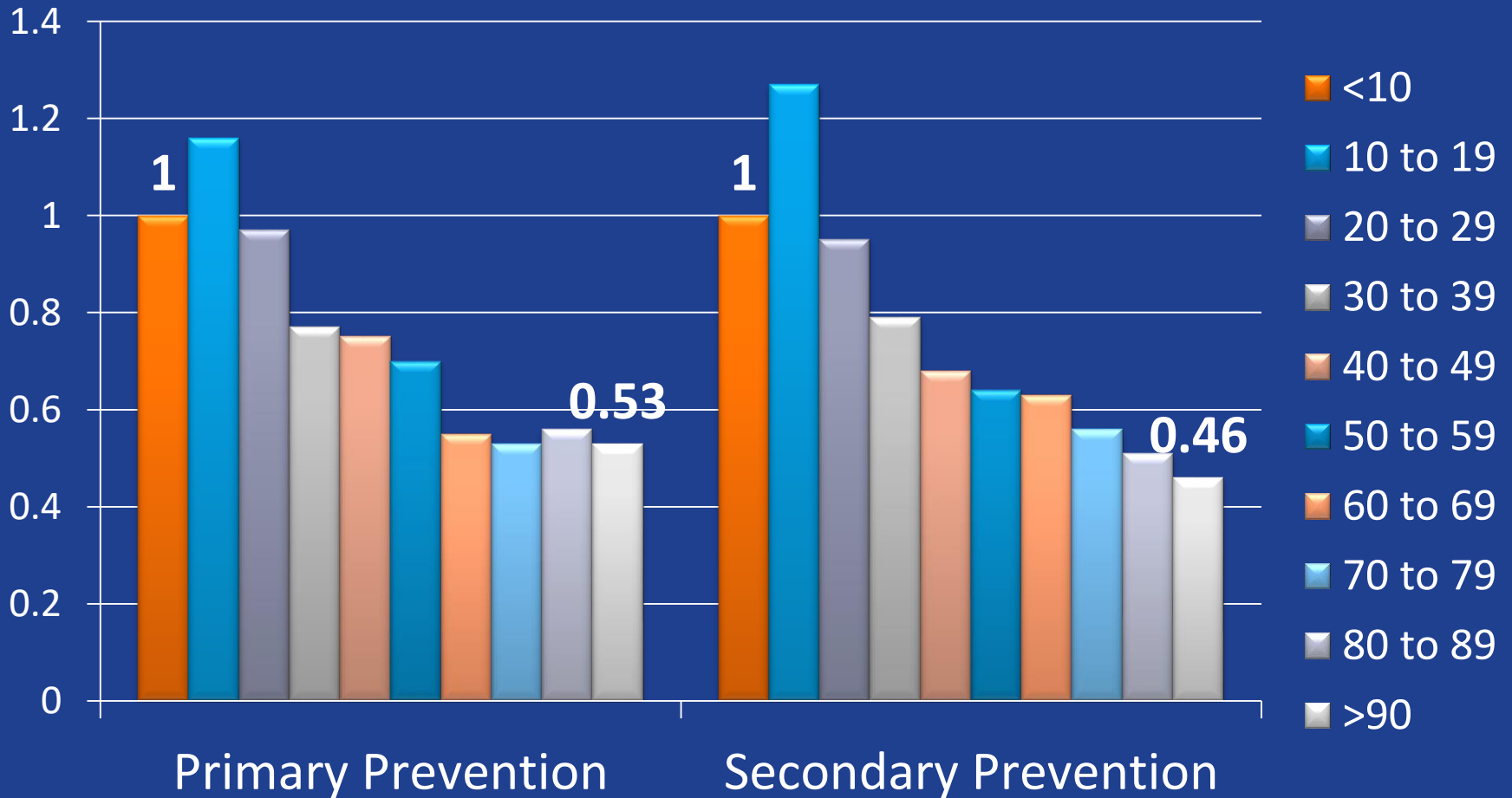
Gender Differences in Side Effects and Attitudes Regarding Statin Use In The USAGE Study

New and/or worsening muscle symptoms while taking a statin.

Stopped a statin due to muscle symptoms

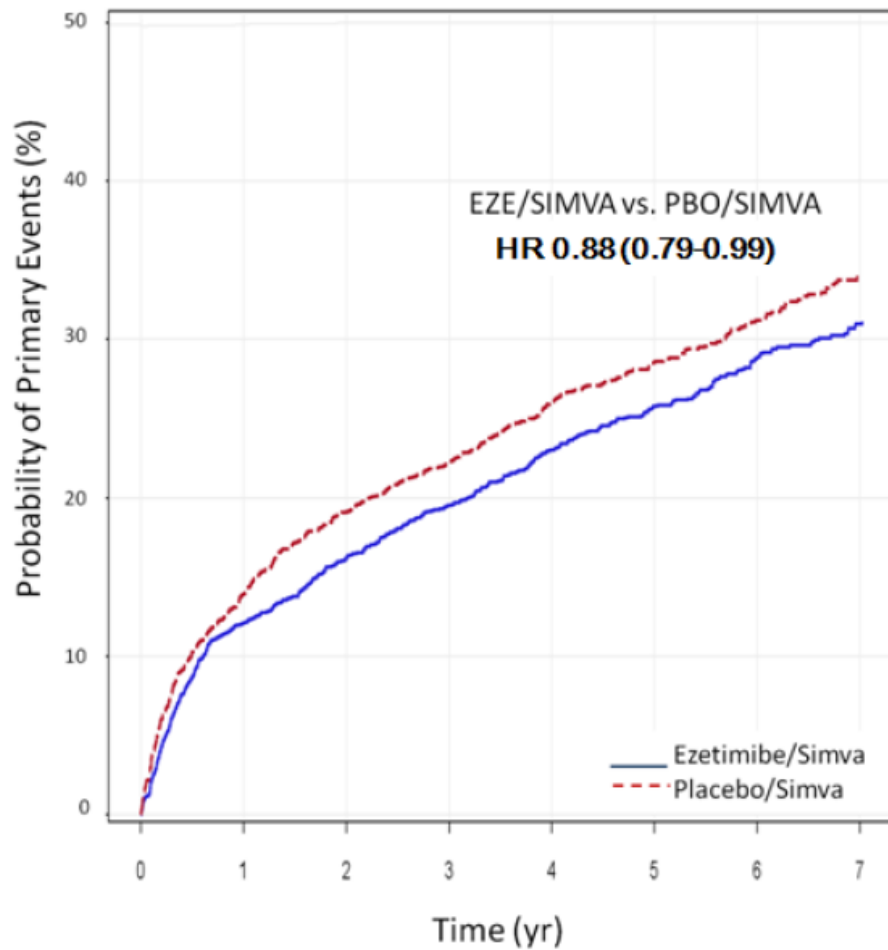


Statin Proportion of Days Covered and All-Cause Mortality in Israel

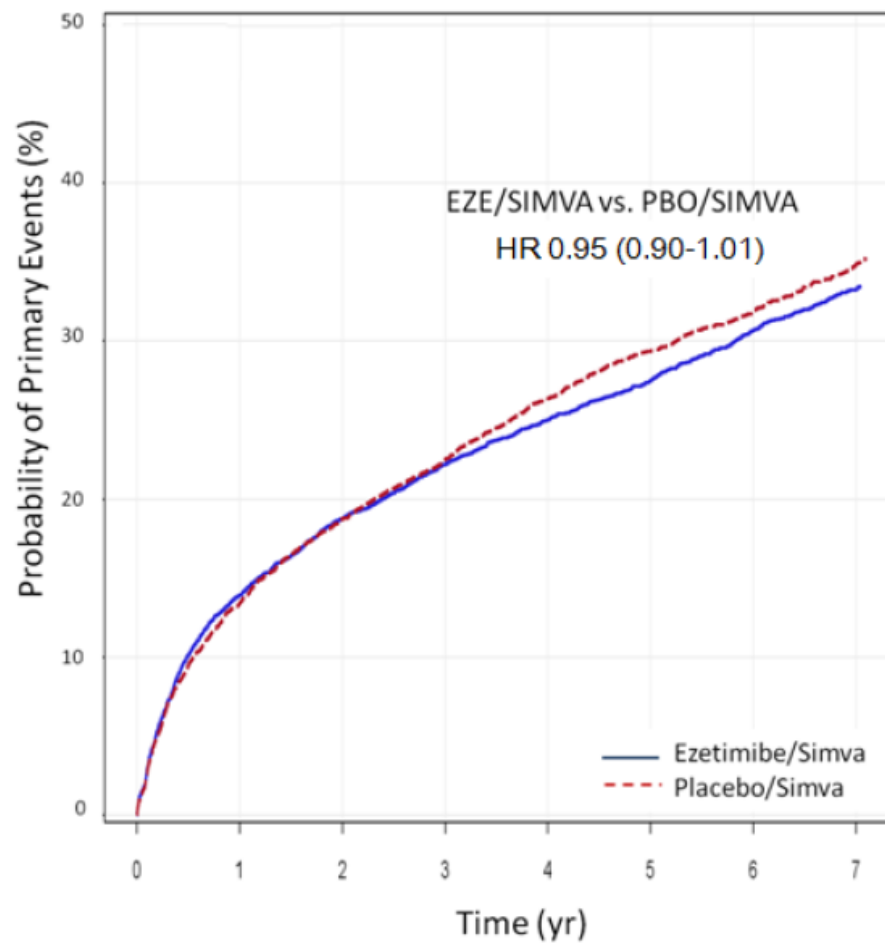


IMPROVE-IT: Ezetimibe Added to Statin after ACS

Women (n=4,416)



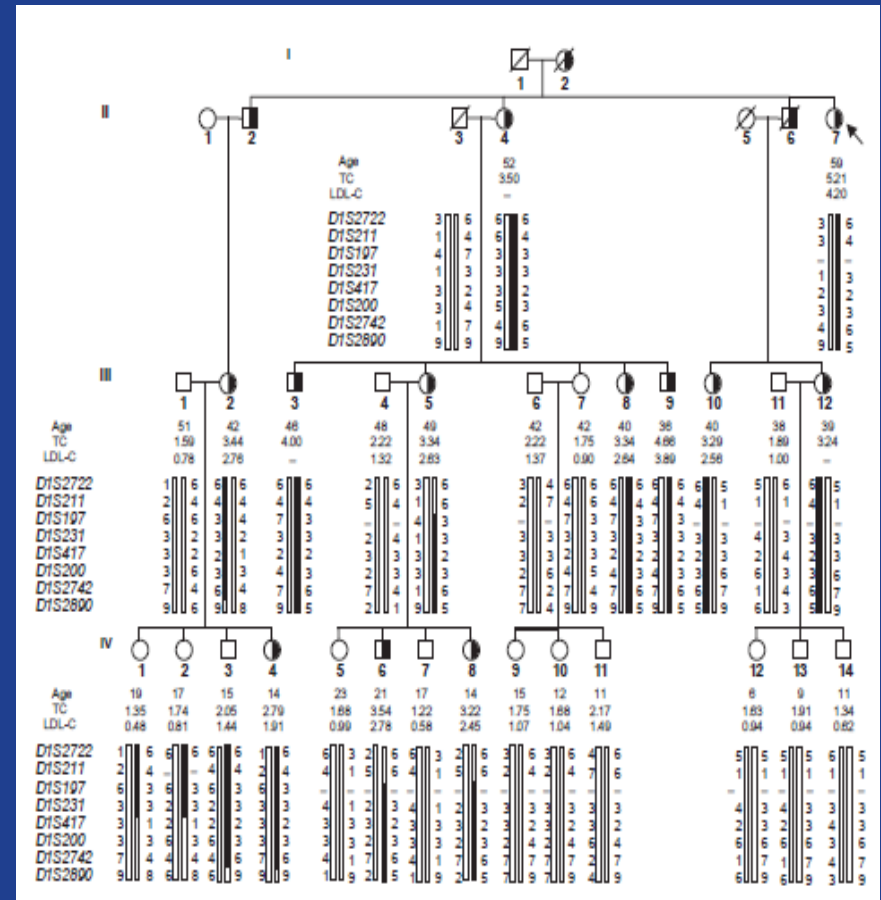
Men (n=13,728)



P interaction = 0.26

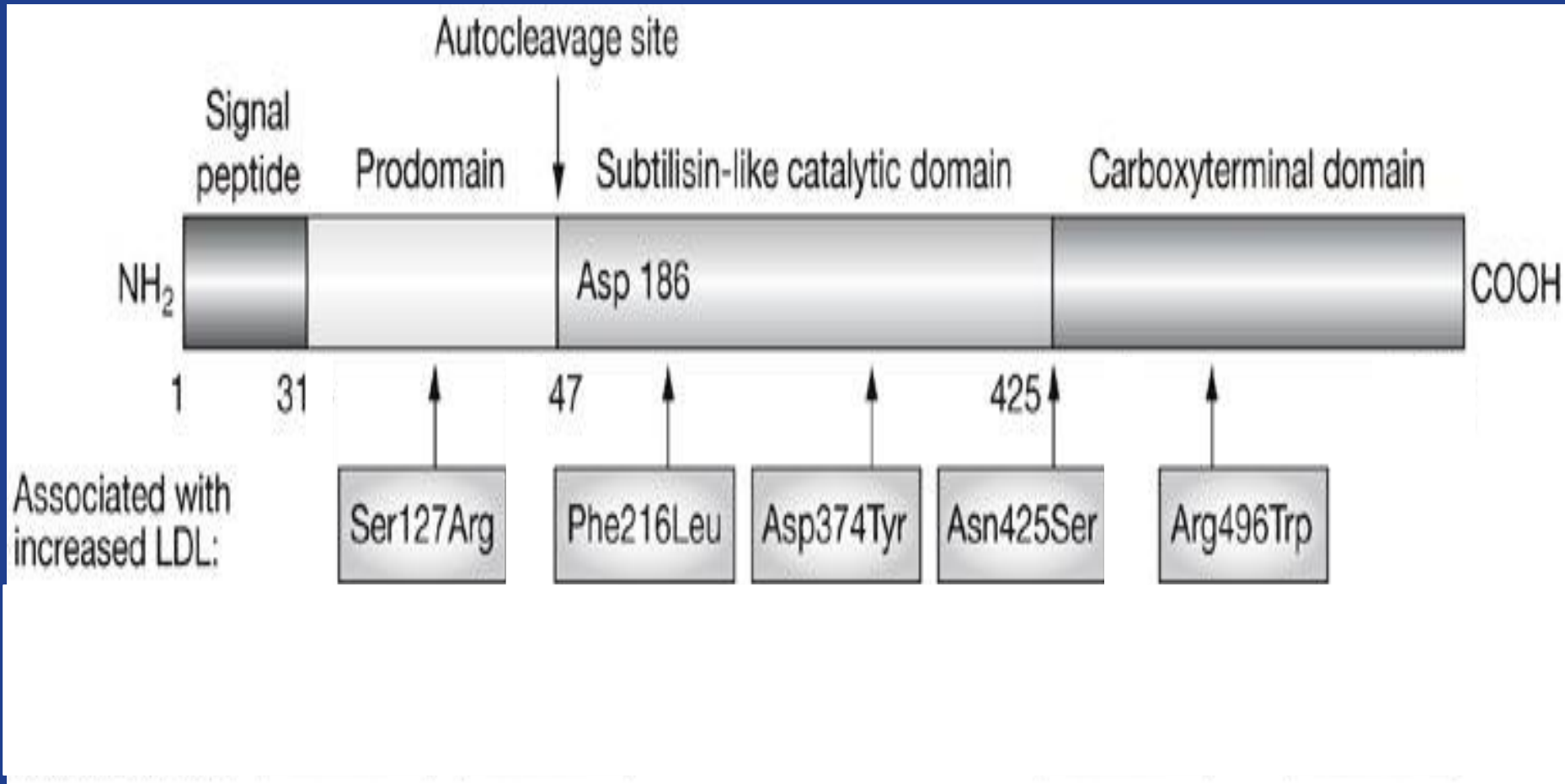
A New Gene Mutated in a Family with FH Phenotype

- Tendon xanthomas
- Early MI and stroke
- LDL-C > 250 mg/dL
- Autosomal dominant
- No mutations in LDL-R or ApoB genes

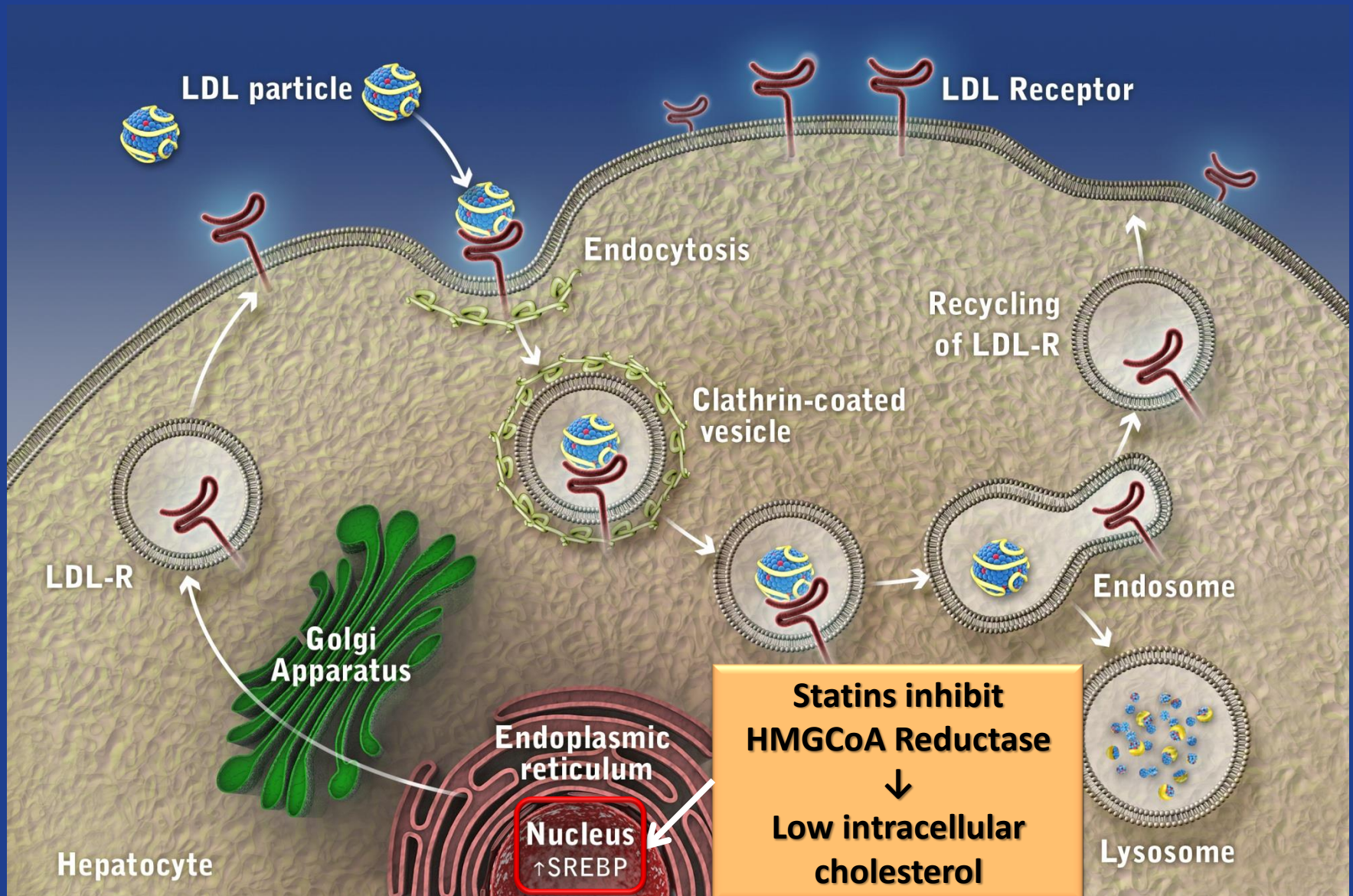


PCSK9 Gene

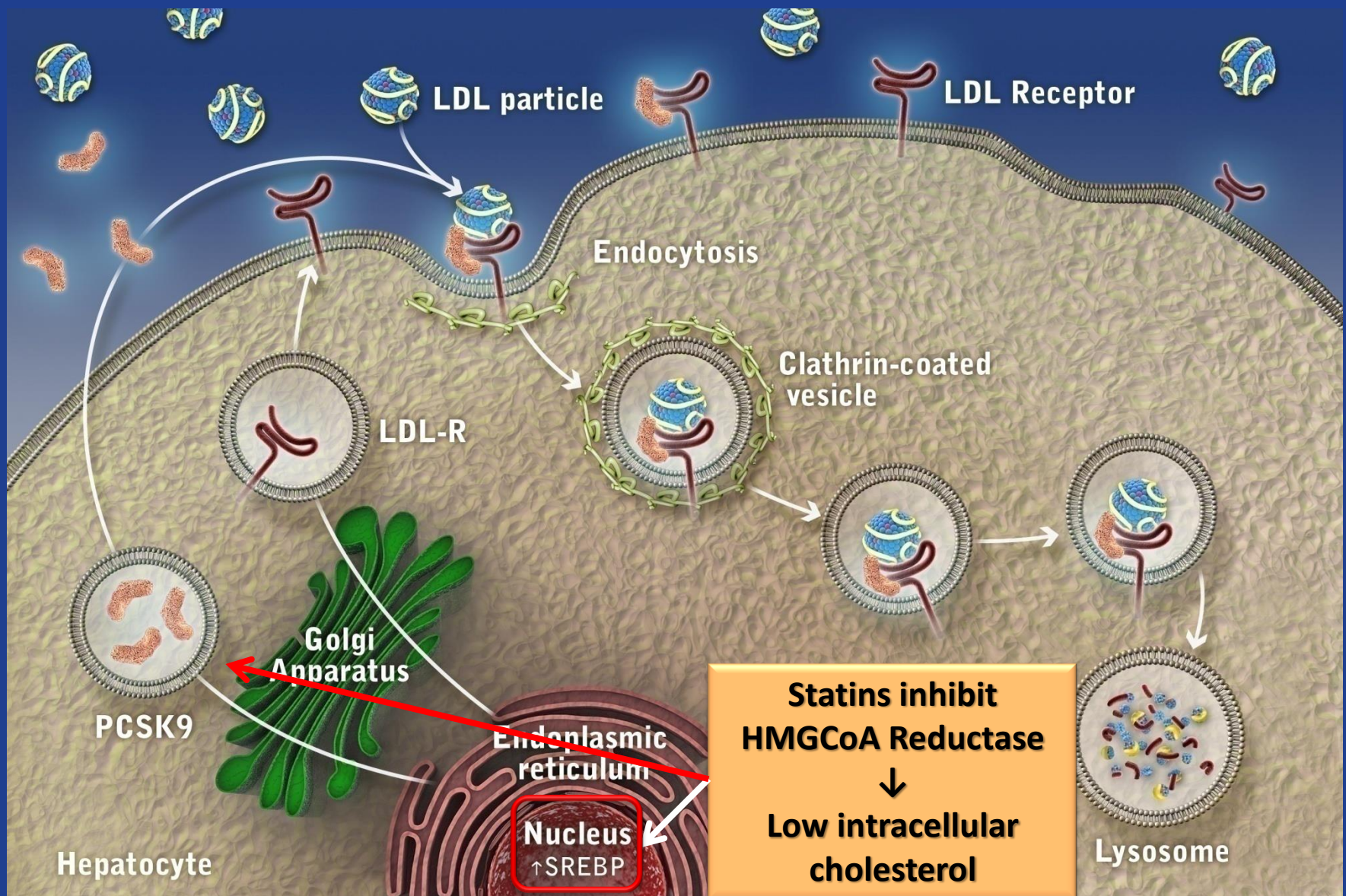
proprotein convertase subtilisin-like/kexin type 9



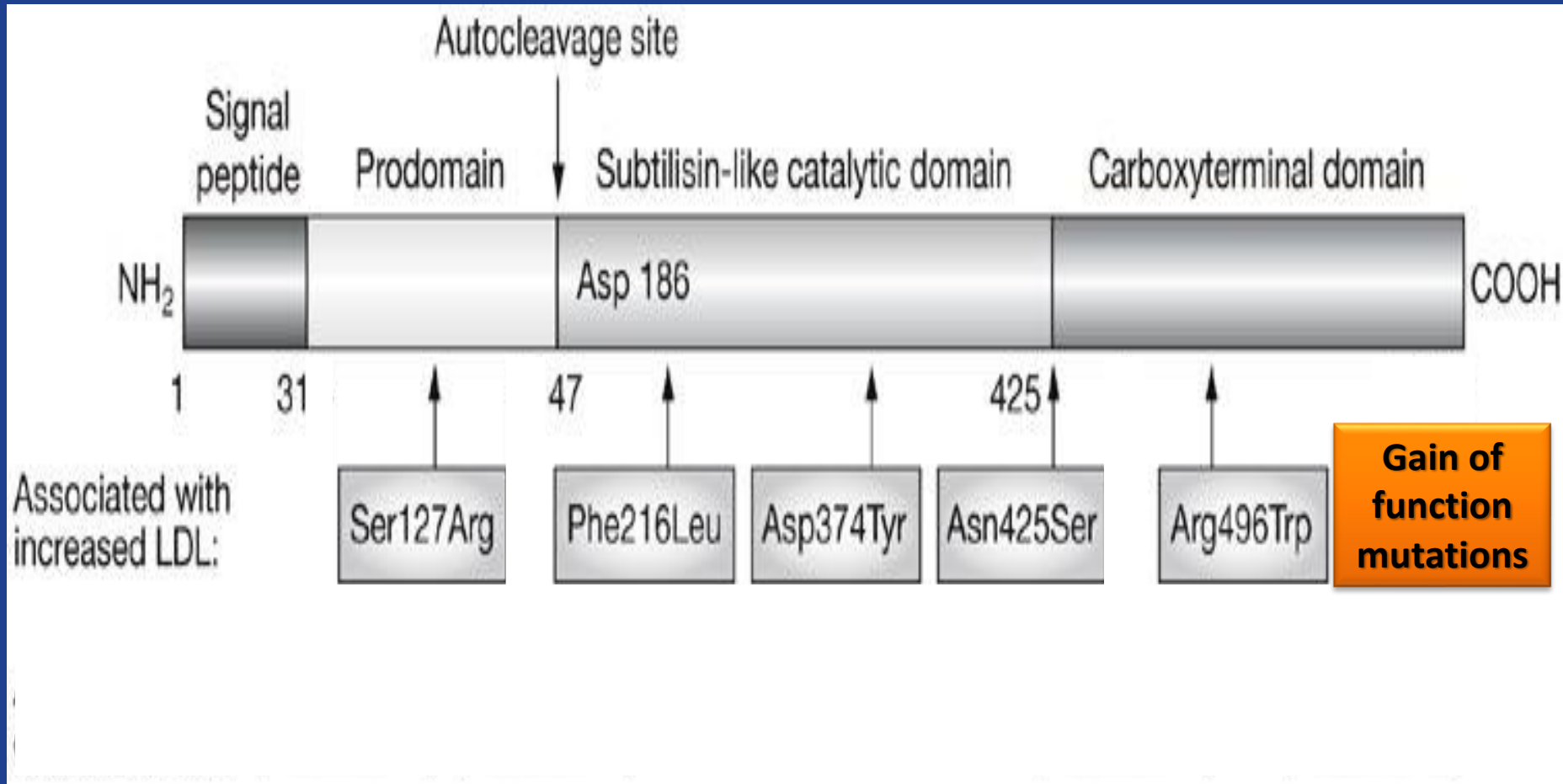
LDL Receptor Function and Life Cycle



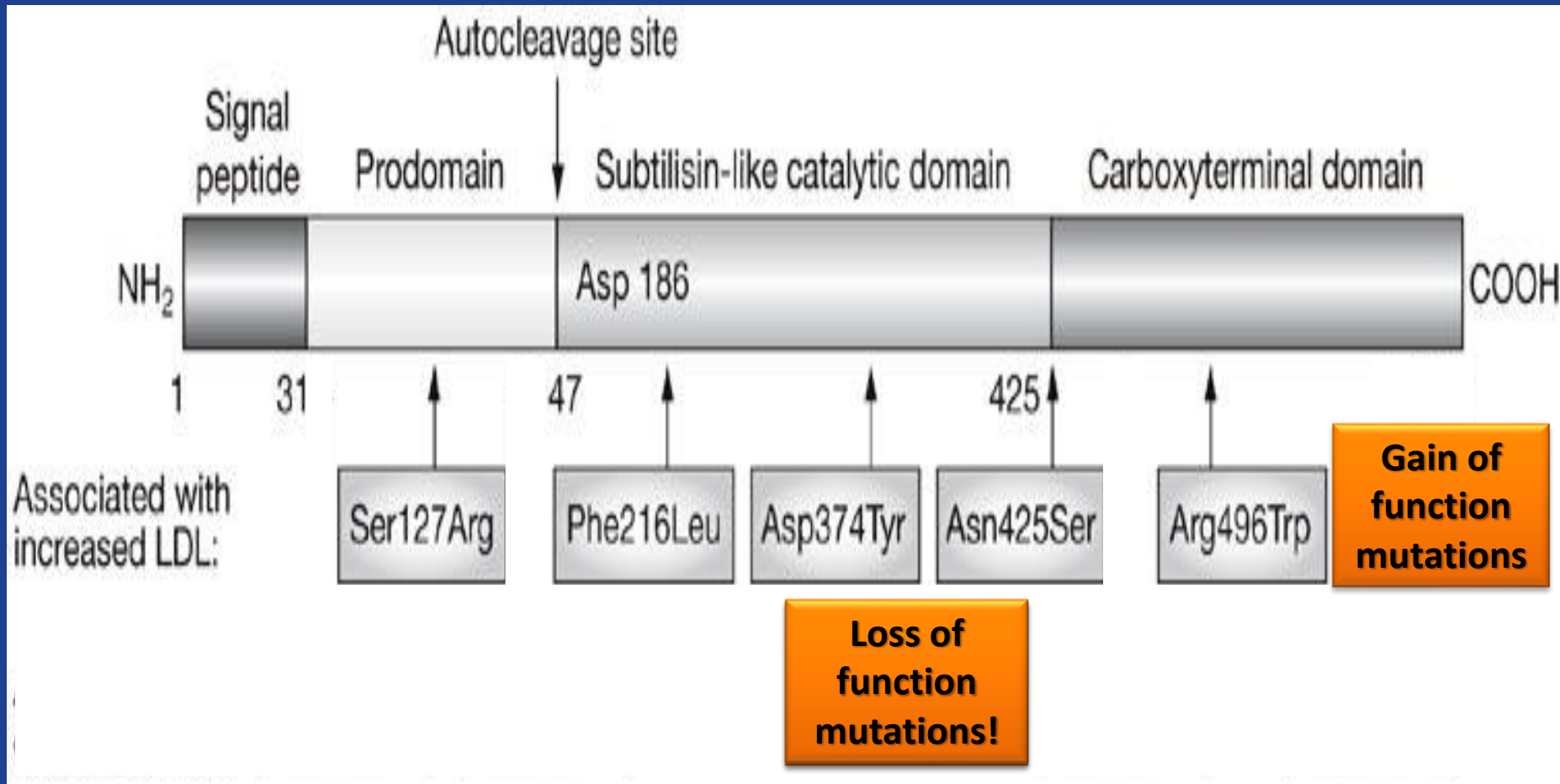
The Role of PCSK9 in the Regulation of LDL Receptor Expression



PCSK9 Gene



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Population Studies of PCSK9 Loss of Function Mutations

Patients with loss-of-function mutations in *PCSK9* or total lack of *PCSK9*

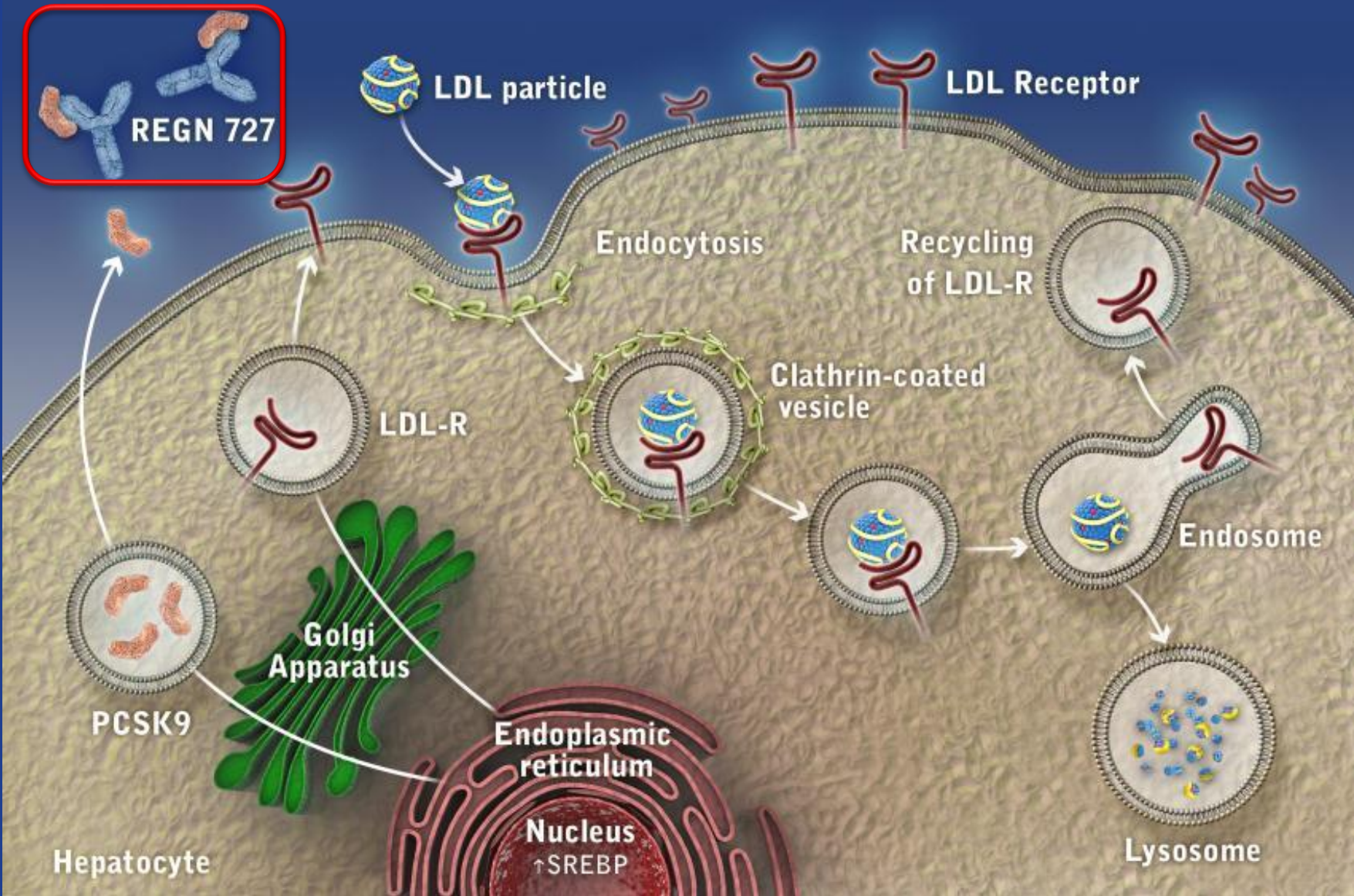
- Have naturally low levels of LDL-C and reduced coronary heart disease (→ efficacy)
- Are not associated with other detectable abnormalities (→ safety)

	<i>PCSK9</i> Mutation	LDL-C Reduction	CHD Reduction	Population
Benn M, et al ¹	R46L	12%	46%	Copenhagen City Heart Study
				Copenhagen General Population Study
				Copenhagen Ischemic Heart Disease Study
Cohen JC, et al ²	R46L	15%	47%	Atherosclerosis Risk in Community Study (US)
	Y142X or C679X	28%	88%	

¹JACC 2010;55:2833-42

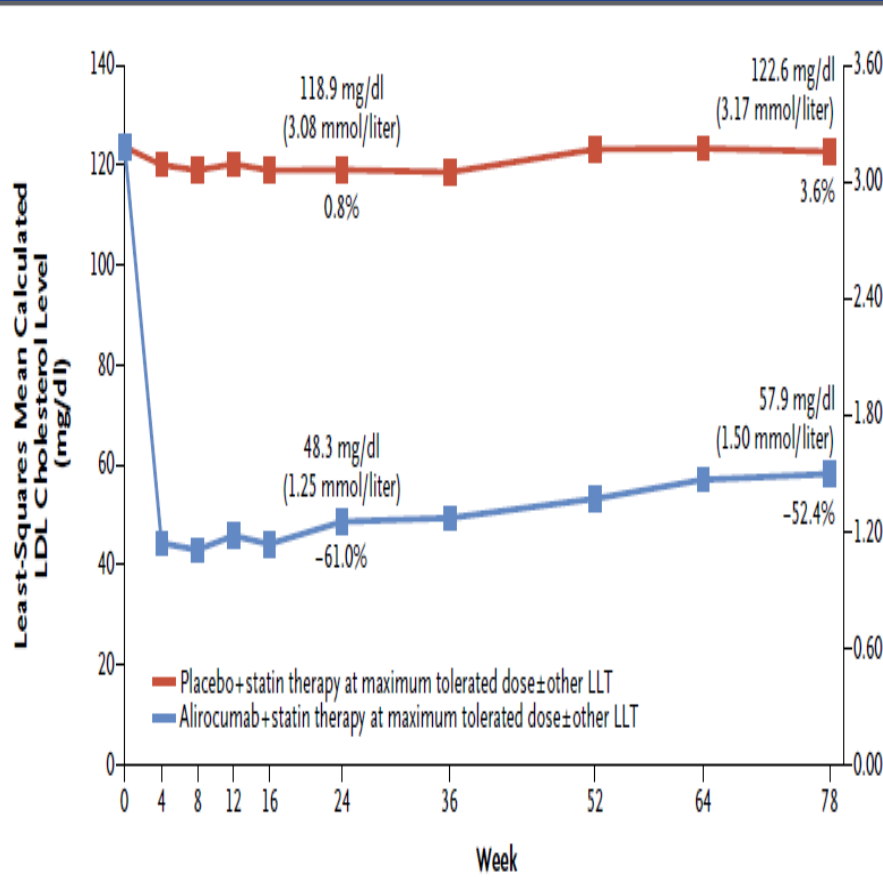
²NEJM 2006;354:1264-72

Impact of an PCSK9 mAb on LDL Receptor Expression



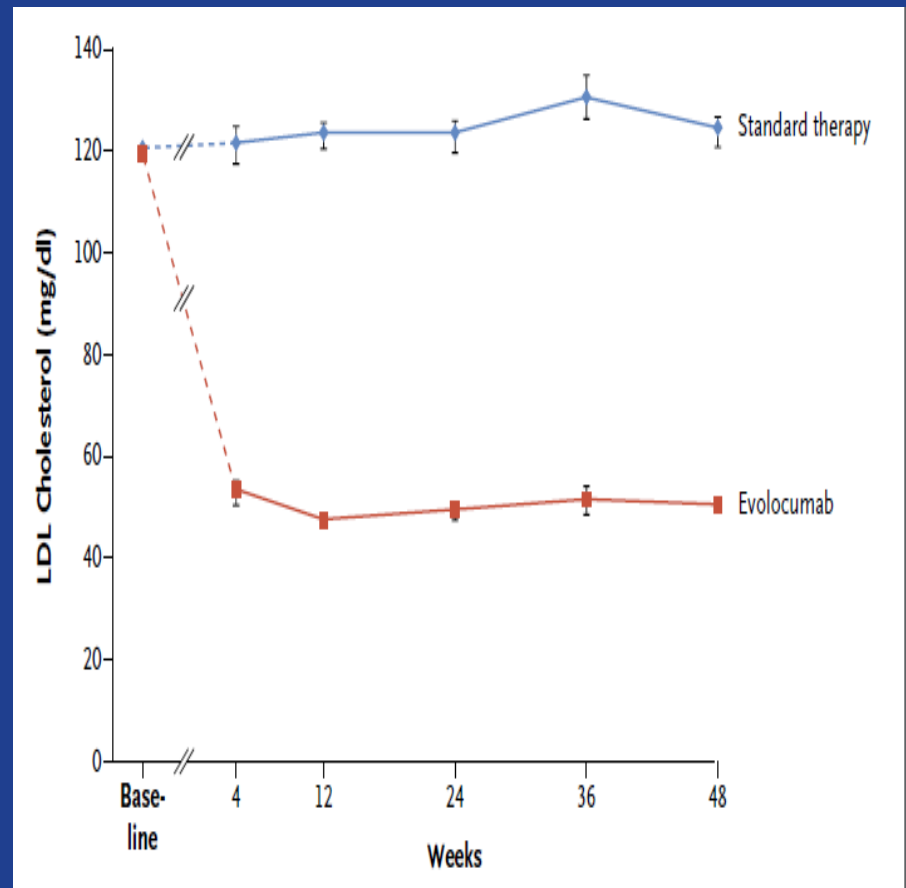
Long Term Studies With PCSK9 Inhibitors

Alirocumab: ODYSSEY Long term



N Engl J Med 2015;372:1489-99

Evolocumab: OSLER

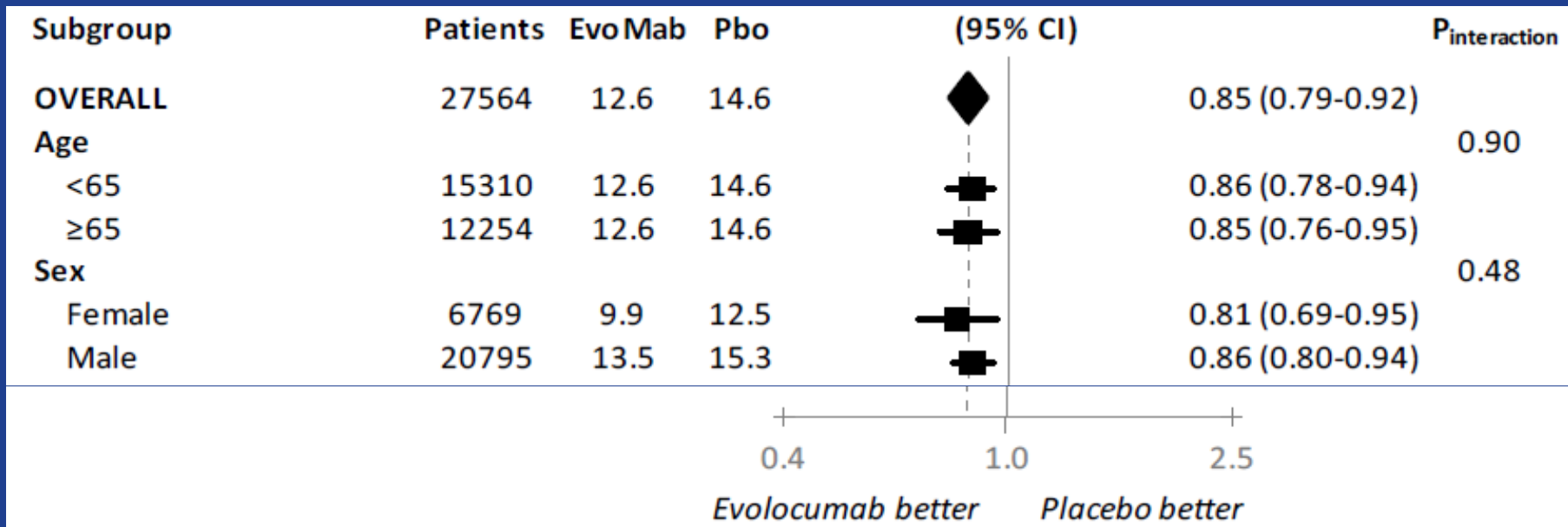


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FOURIER: Evolocumab in Patients with CVD

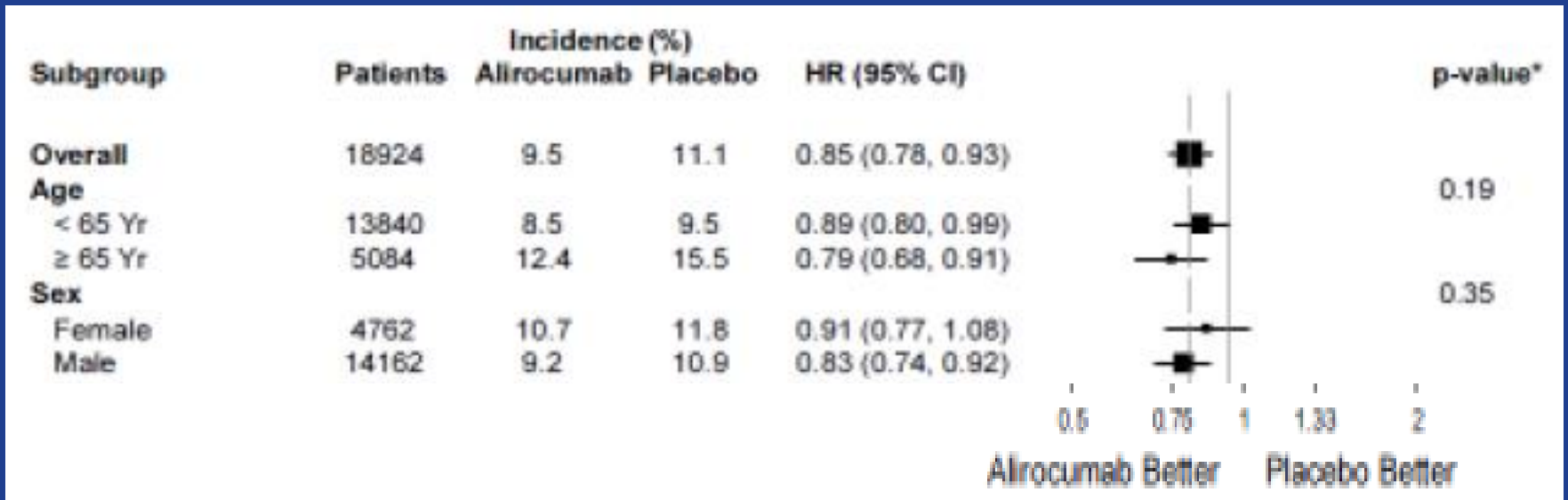
Table 1. Characteristics of the Patients at Baseline.*

Characteristics	Evolocumab (N=13,784)	Placebo (N=13,780)
Age — yr	62.5±9.1	62.5±8.9
Male sex — no. (%)	10,397 (75.4)	10,398 (75.5)

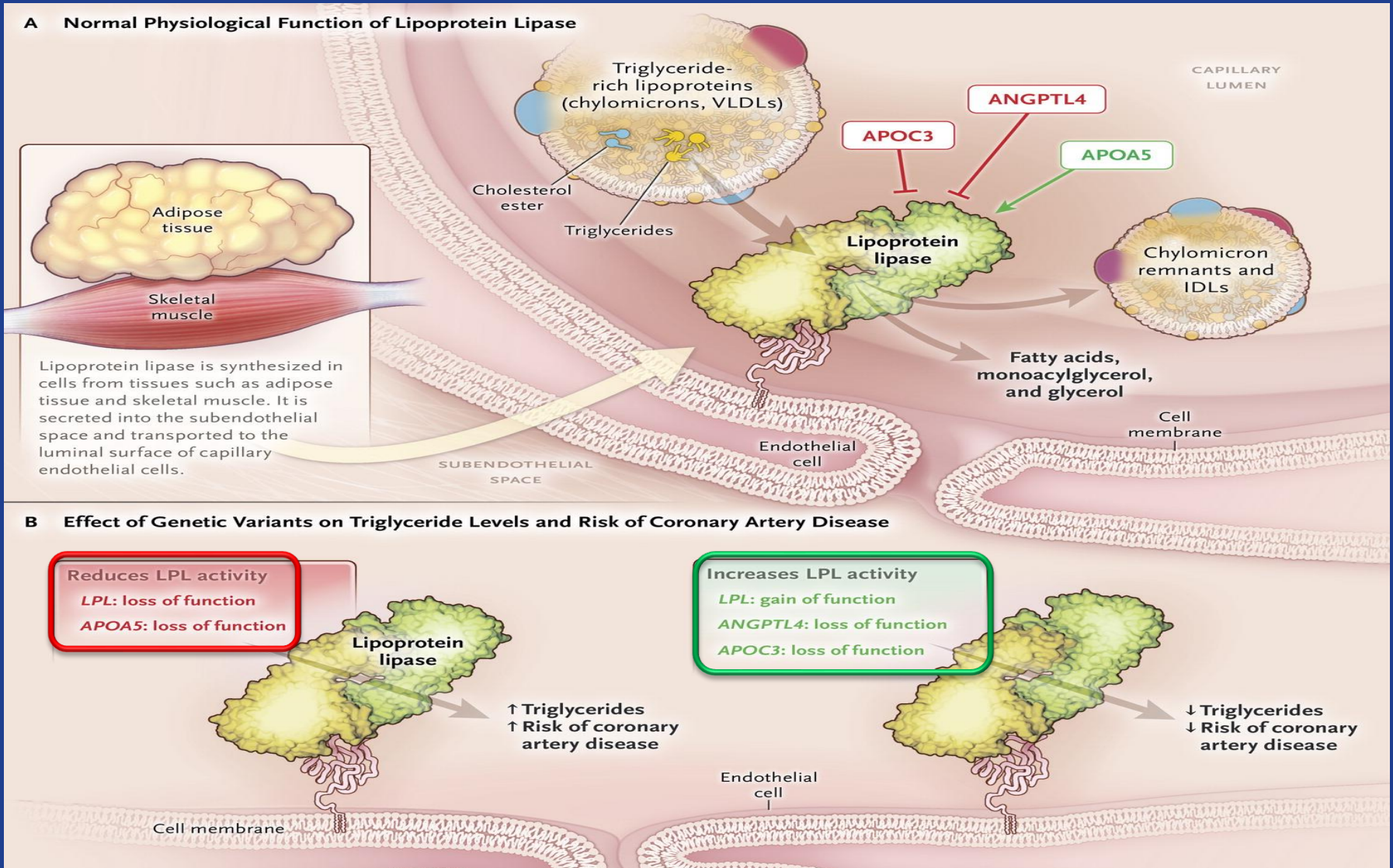


ODYSSEY OTCOMES: Alirocumab in Post-ACS

Characteristic	Alirocumab (N=9462)	Placebo (N=9462)
Age, years, median (Q1-Q3)	58 (52-65)	58 (52-65)
Female, n (%)	2390 (25.3)	2372 (25.1)

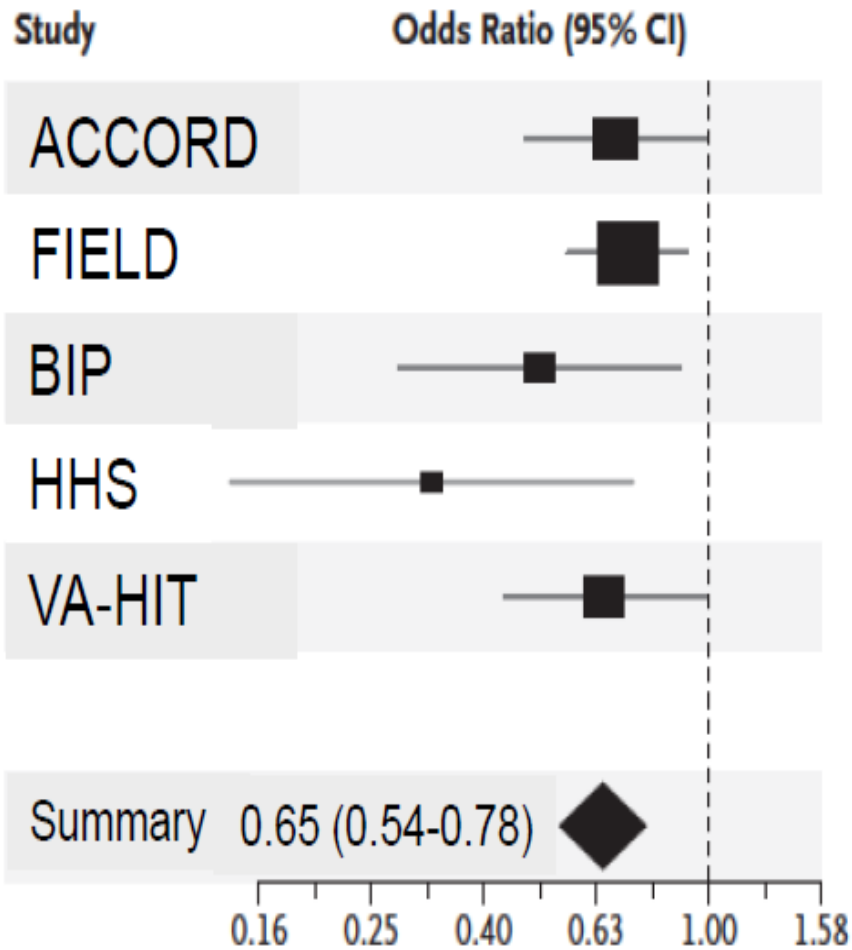


Mutations in Four LPL Pathway Genes Affect Plasma TG and CVD Risk



CVD Prevention Trials with TG Lowering Agents

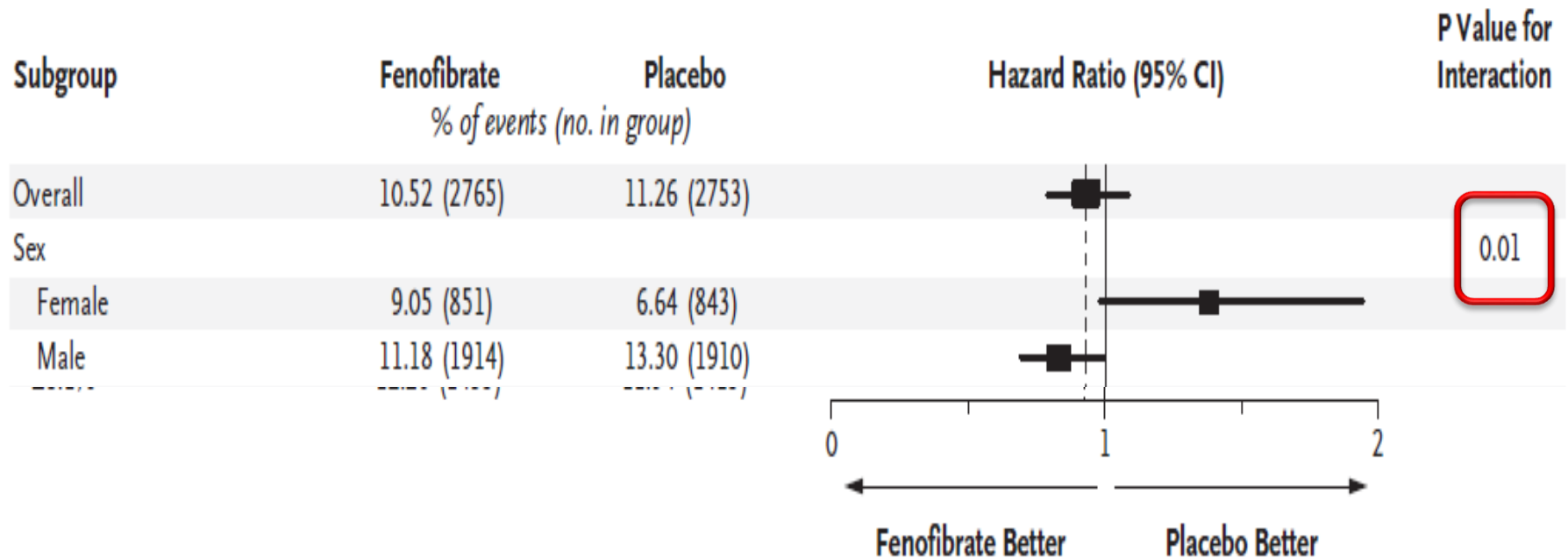
Subgroup with High TG, Low HDL



ACCORD: Fibrates for Women - Good or Bad?

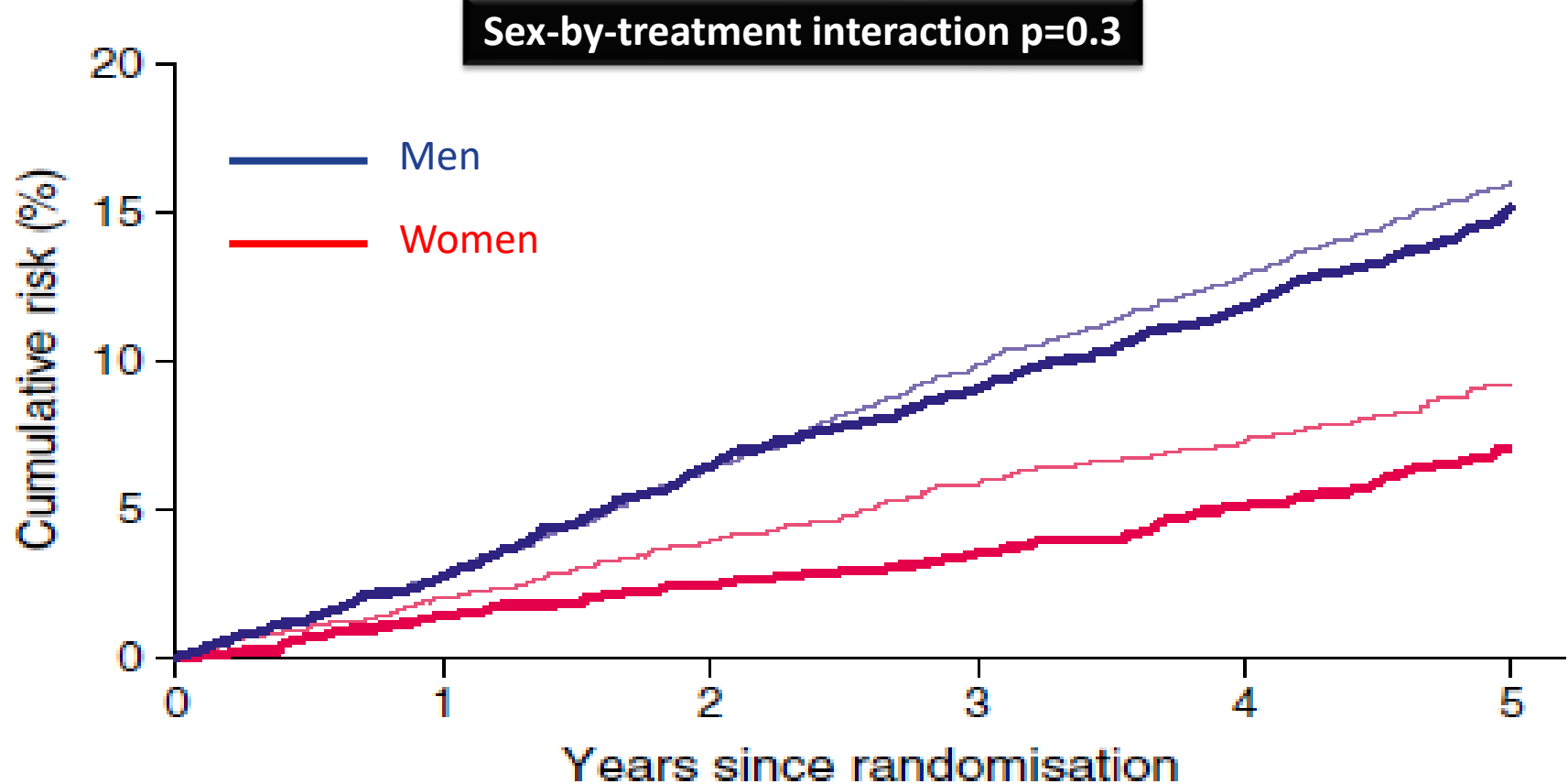
Table 1. Baseline Characteristics of the Patients.*

Characteristic	All Patients (N = 5518)	Fenofibrate (N = 2765)	Placebo (N = 2753)	P Value
Age — yr	62.3±6.8	62.2±6.7	62.3±6.9	0.69
Female sex — no. (%)	1694 (30.7)	851 (30.8)	843 (30.6)	0.90



FIELD: Fenofibrate in 9795 people with type 2 DM

	Placebo (n=4900)	Fenofibrate (n=4895)
General characteristics		
Male	3067 (63%)	3071 (63%)



PROMINENT STUDY

Pemafibrate to Reduce Cardiovascular Outcomes by Reducing Triglycerides IN Diabetic Patients

- **Female Enrollment Target: 20-30%**
- **200 events in women before study may be terminated**

AHA/ACOG PRESIDENTIAL ADVISORY

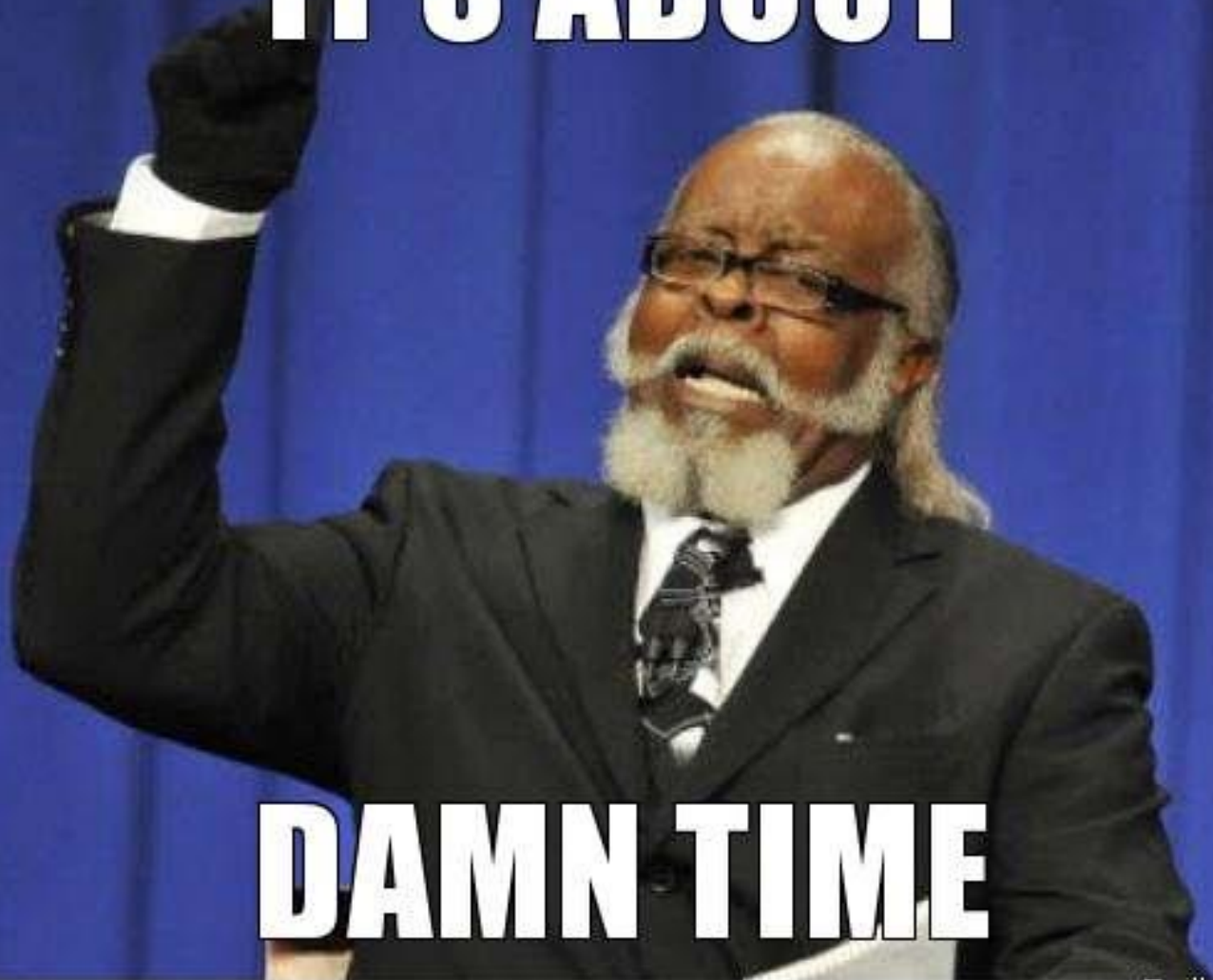
Promoting Risk Identification and Reduction of Cardiovascular Disease in Women Through Collaboration With Obstetricians and Gynecologists

A Presidential Advisory From the American Heart Association and the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

An optimal well-woman OB/GYN visit should include a thorough family history, screening for and targeted review of CV risk factors (including those unique to women), and lifestyle counseling to improve CV risk factors with the goal of preventing future CV events.

Conclusions

IT'S ABOUT



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