

Proposta per un accesso controllato al mercato dei nuovi anticorpi monoclonali per la cura dell'ipercolesterolemia

# Le strategie terapeutiche ad oggi disponibili



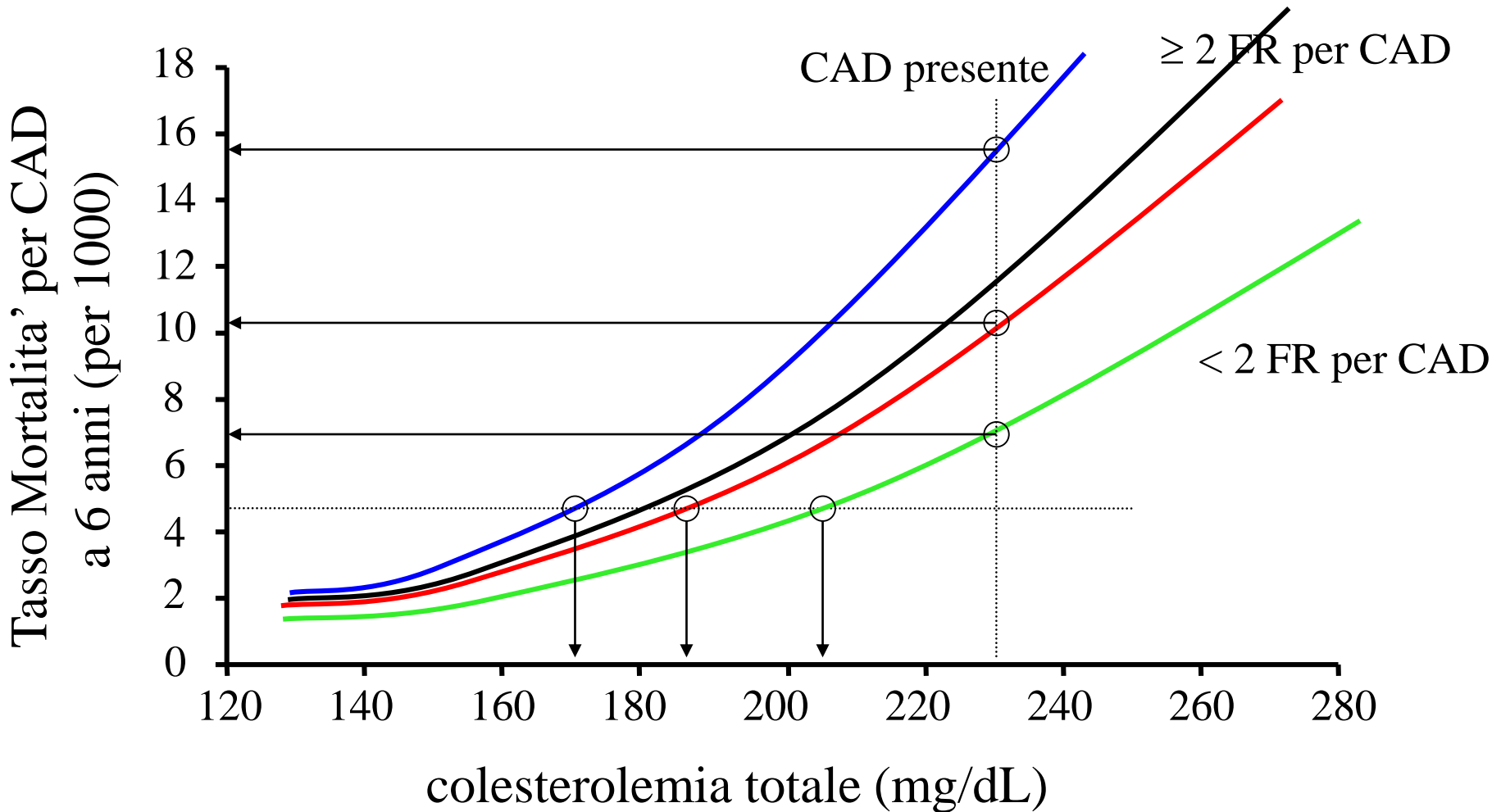
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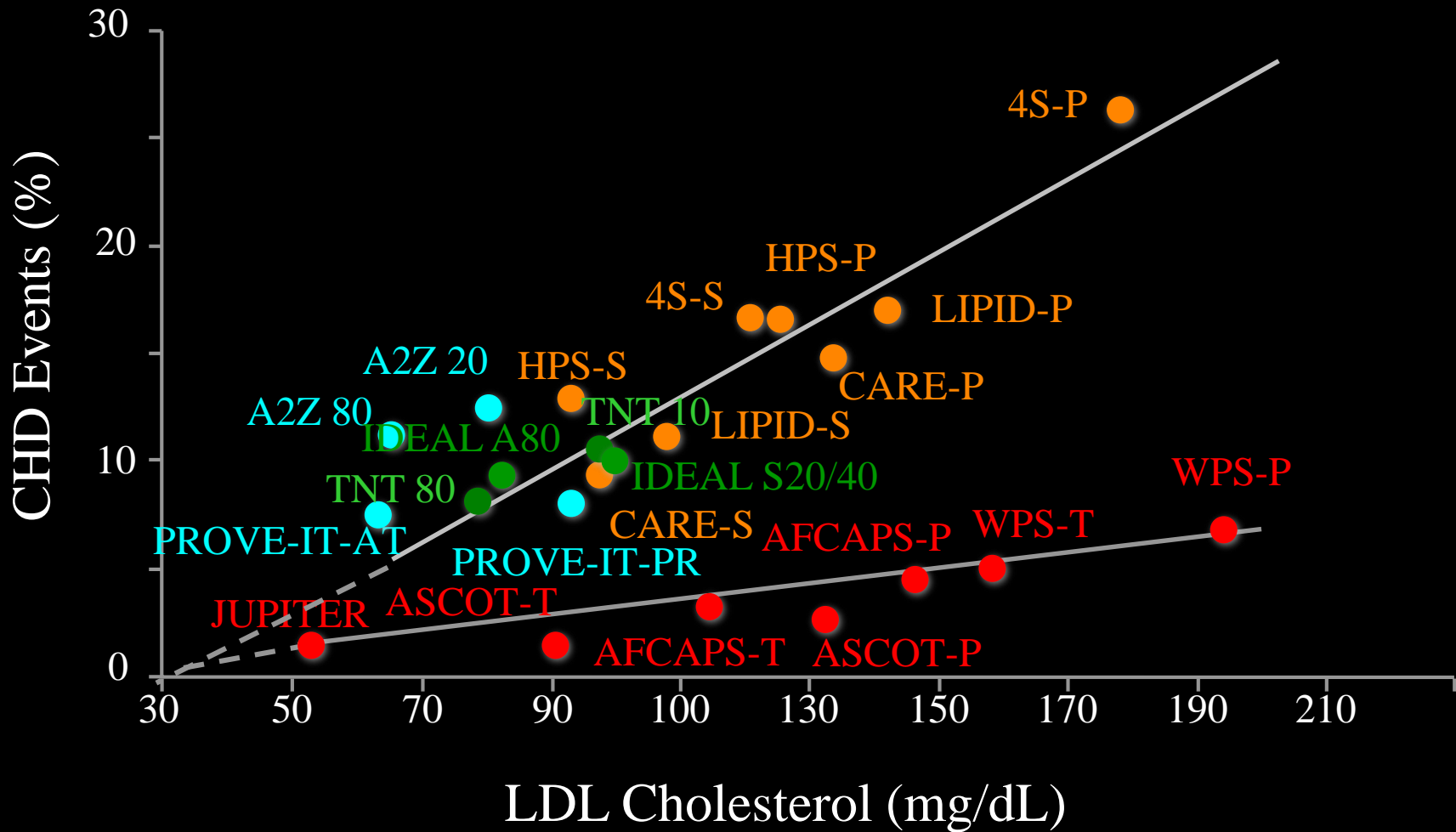
La **scelta** della strategia terapeutica  
deve **garantire il raggiungimento** del  
target di C-LDL

Il target di C-LDL da raggiungere  
dipende dal **livello di rischio**  
**cardiovascolare globale**

# MRFIT: Livelli di Colesterolo e Rischio di Mortalità per Malattia Coronarica (CAD)



	<b>Basso rischio (5%)</b>		<b>Alto rischio (30%)</b>	
Riduzione RR	-30%	-50%	-30%	-50%
trattati	100	100	100	100
eventi aspettati	5	5	30	30
eventi evitati	1,5	2,5	9	15
NNT	67	40	11	6,7



Update from O' Keefe, J Am Coll Cardiol 2004

## 2016 ESC/EAS Guidelines for the Management of Dyslipidaemias

Recommendations	Class <sup>a</sup>	Level <sup>b</sup>
In patients at <b>VERY HIGH</b> CV risk <sup>d</sup> , an LDL-C goal of <1.8 mmol/L ( <b>70 mg/dL</b> ) or a reduction of at least 50% if the baseline LDL-C <sup>e</sup> is between 1.8 and 3.5 mmol/L (70 and 135 mg/dL) is recommended.	<b>I</b>	<b>B</b>
In patients at <b>HIGH</b> CV risk <sup>d</sup> , an LDL-C goal of <2.6 mmol/L ( <b>100 mg/dL</b> ), or a reduction of at least 50% if the baseline LDL-C <sup>e</sup> is between 2.6 and 5.2 mmol/L (100 and 200 mg/dL) is recommended.	<b>I</b>	<b>B</b>
In subjects at <b>LOW or MODERATE</b> risk <sup>d</sup> an LDL-C goal of <3.0 mmol/L ( <b>&lt;115 mg/dL</b> ) should be considered.	<b>IIa</b>	<b>C</b>

### **Basso rischio**

SCORE <1% di evento CVD fatale nei prossimi 10 anni in assenza di elementi che pongano i soggetti a rischio moderato

### **Rischio moderato**

SCORE compreso tra 1 e 5%. La gran parte dei soggetti di media età appartiene a tale categoria

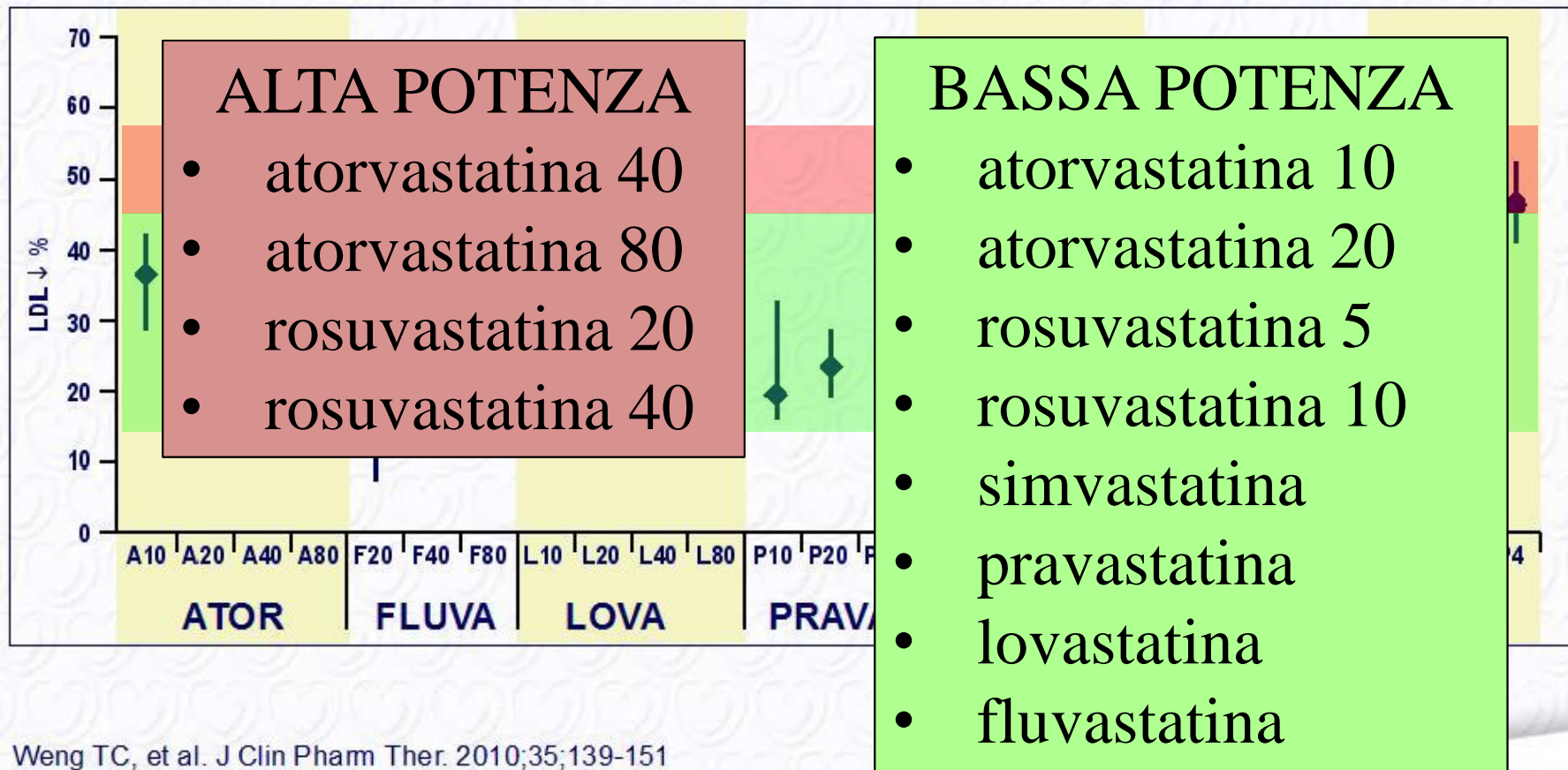
### **Alto rischio**

- presenza di significativo fattore di rischio come dislipidemia familiare o ipertensione severa
- diabete mellito in assenza di altri fattori di rischio CV o di danno d' organo
- insufficienza renale cronica moderata (GFR stimata di 30-59 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>)
- SCORE compreso tra il 5% e il 10%

### **Rischio molto alto**

- presenza di malattia CV documentata con test invasivi o non (coro, scintigrafia, ecostress, placca carotidea all' ecoDoppler TSA), **pregresso IMA, SCA, rivascolarizzazione coronarica (PCI o CABG)** o altre procedure di rivascolarizzazione arteriosa, stroke ischemico, malattia vascolare periferica
- diabete mellito in presenza di uno o più fattori di rischio CV e/o di danno d' organo (es. microalbuminuria)
- insufficienza renale cronica severa (GFR stimata < 30 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>)
- SCORE maggiore o pari al 10%

# A systematic review and meta-analysis on the therapeutic equivalence of statins



Weng TC, et al. J Clin Pharm Ther. 2010;35:139-151  
Mukhtar RY, et al. Int J Clin Pract. 2005;59(2):239-252



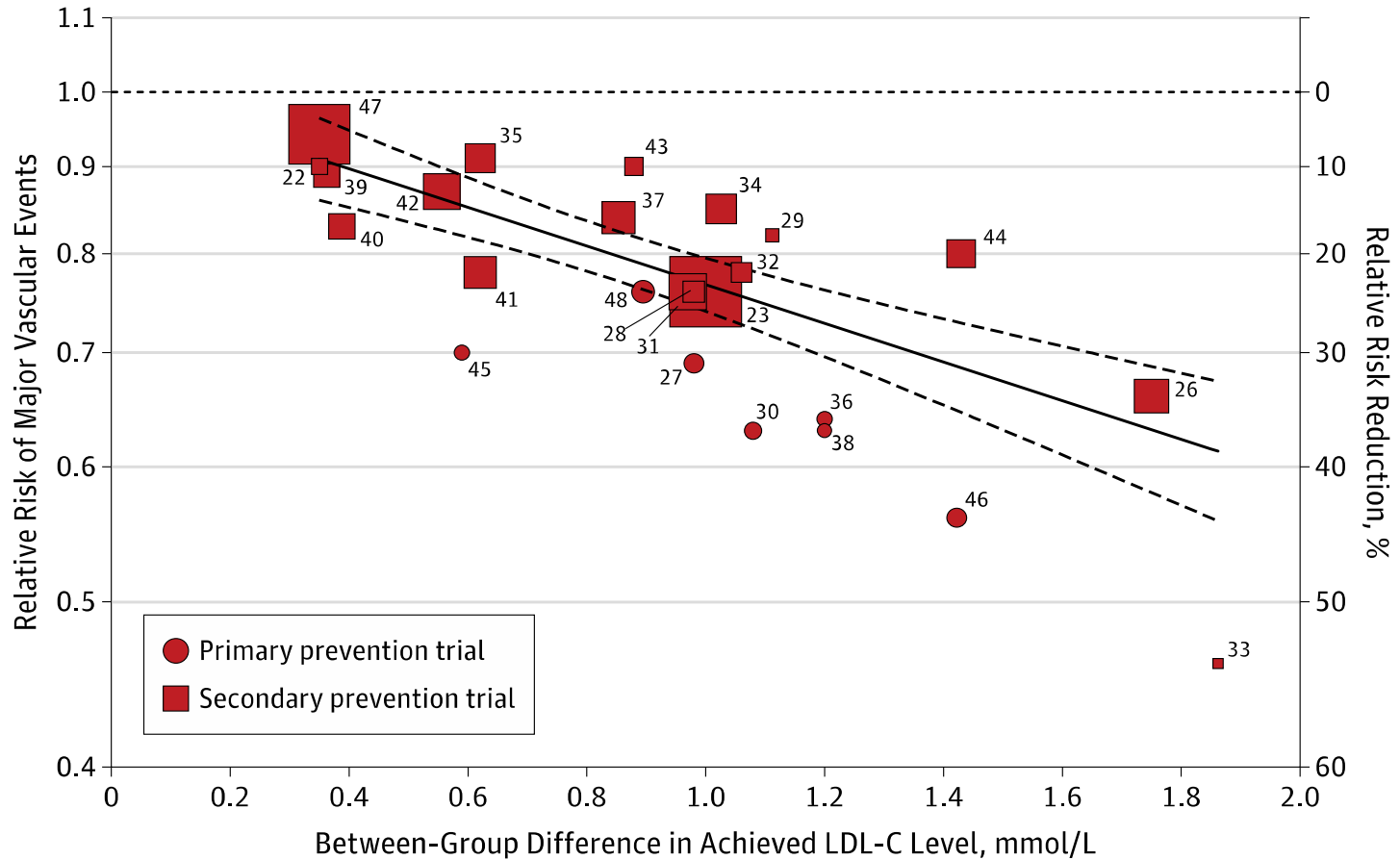
# Percentage reduction of LDL-C required to achieve goals as a function of the starting value

STARTING LDL-C		% REDUCTION TO REACH LDL-C		
mmol/L	~ mg/dL	< 1.8 mmol/L (~ 70 mg/dL)	< 2.5 mmol/L (~ 100 mg/dL)	< 3 mmol/L (~ 115 mg/dL)
> 6.2	> 240	> 70	> 60	> 55
5.2–6.2	200–240	65–70	50–60	40–55
4.4–5.2	170–200	60–65	40–50	30–45
3.9–4.4	150–170	55–60	35–40	25–30
3.4–3.9	130–150	45–55	25–35	10–25
2.9–3.4	110–130	35–45	10–25	< 10
2.3–2.9	90–110	22–35	< 10	–
1.8–2.3	70–90	< 22	–	–

# Association Between Lowering LDL-C and Cardiovascular Risk Reduction Among Different Therapeutic Interventions

## A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis

Twenty-five statin trials

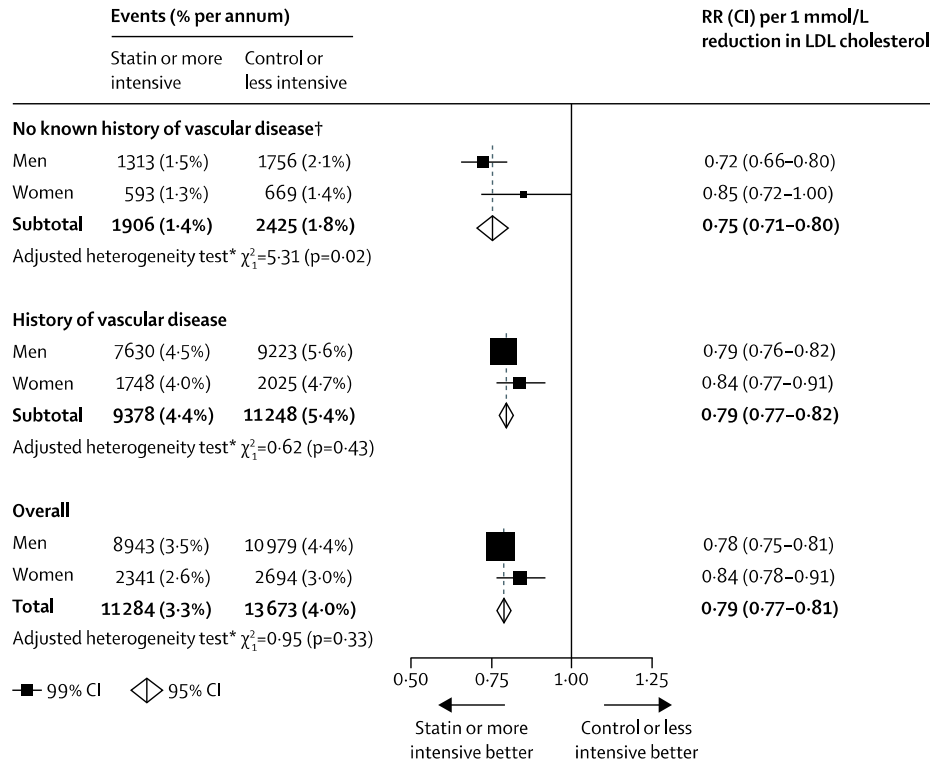




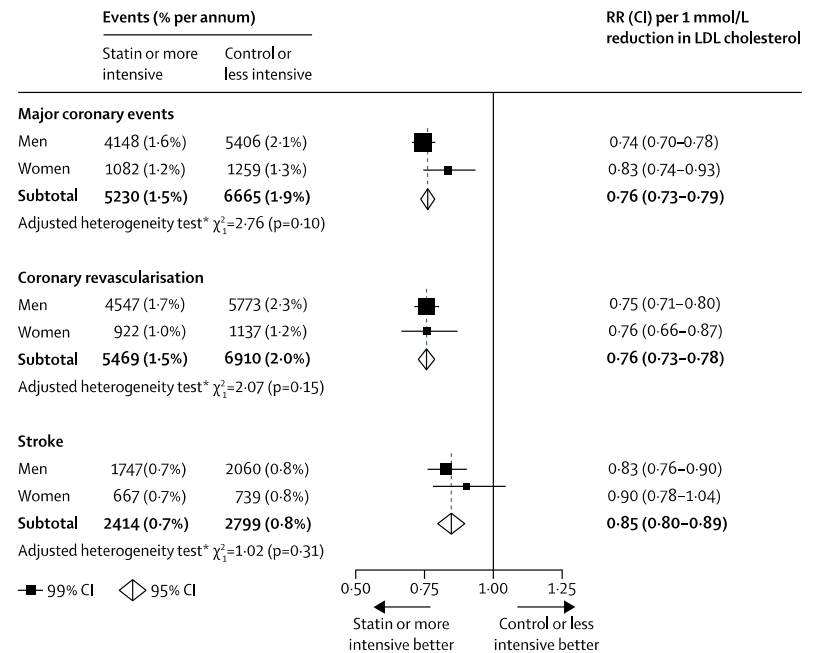
# Efficacy and safety of LDL-lowering therapy among men and women: meta-analysis of individual data from 174 000 participants in 27 randomised trials

Cholesterol Treatment Trialists' (CTT) Collaboration\*

Effects on major vascular events per 1.0 mmol/L reduction in LDL cholesterol, subdivided by history of vascular disease and sex

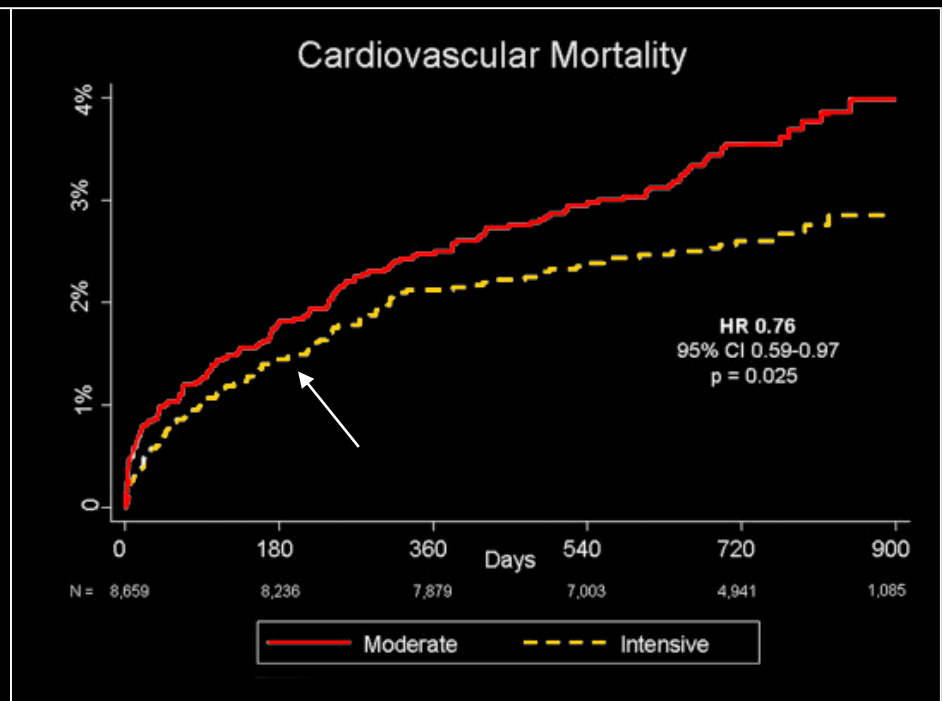
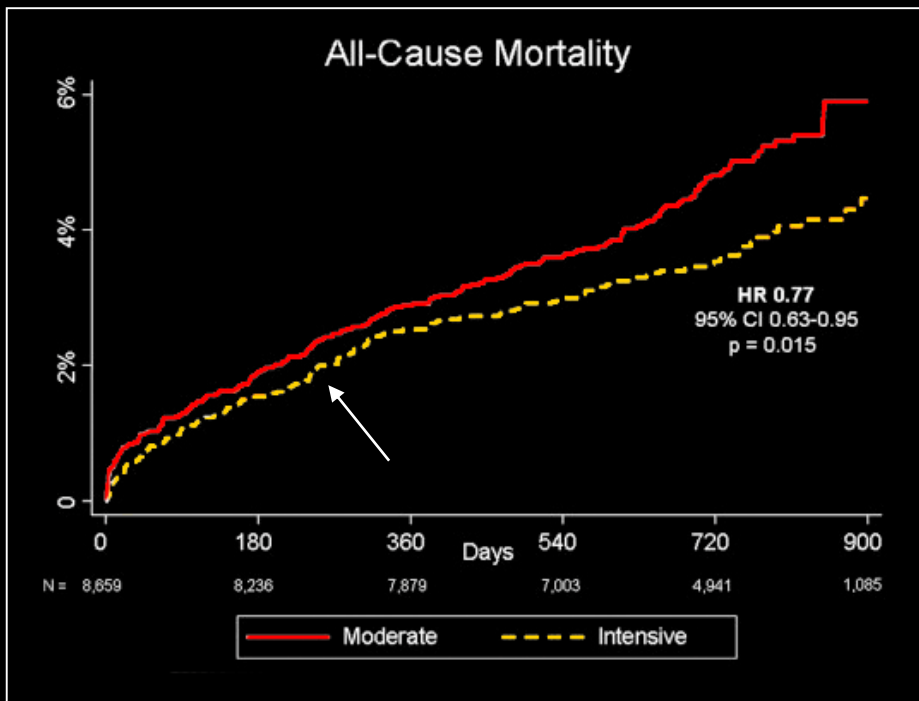


Effects on components of major vascular events per 1.0 mmol/L reduction in LDL cholesterol, subdivided by sex



# Il trattamento intensivo con statine nella SCA riduce la mortalità totale e cardiovascolare

A pooled, patient-level analysis of 8658 ACS patients of the PROVE-IT and A-to-Z trials



Murphy et al , Am J Cardiol 2007



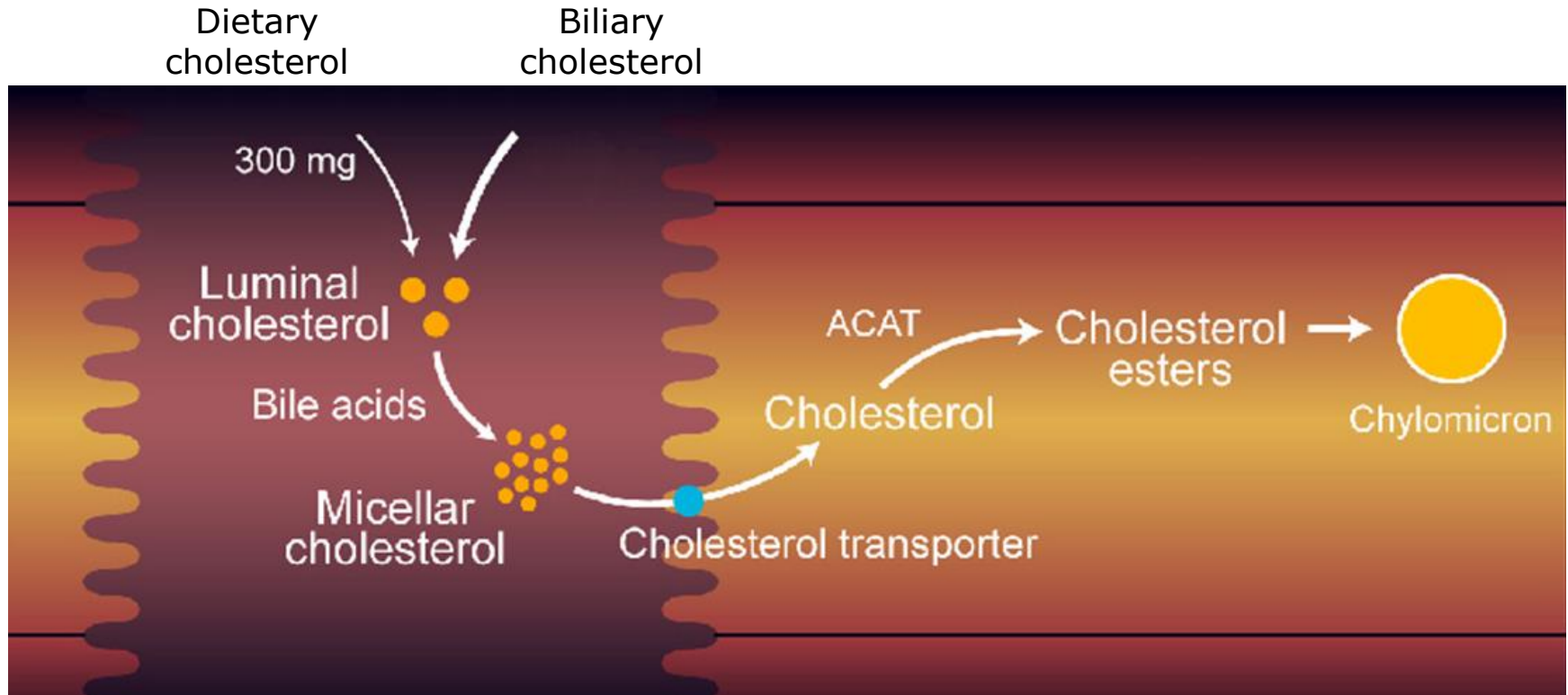
## 2015 ESC guidelines for the management of acute coronary syndromes in patients presenting without persistent ST-segment elevation

Task Force for the Management of Acute Coronary Syndromes in Patients Presenting without Persistent ST-Segment Elevation of the European Society of Cardiology (ESC)

Participation in a well-structured cardiac rehabilitation programme to modify lifestyle habits and increase adherence to treatment should be considered.	<b>IIa</b>	<b>A</b>
In patients with LDL cholesterol $\geq 70$ mg/dL ( $\geq 1.8$ mmol/L) despite a maximally tolerated statin dose, further reduction in LDL cholesterol with a non-statin agent <sup>e</sup> should be considered.	<b>IIa</b>	<b>B</b>
A systolic blood pressure goal of $< 140$ mmHg should be considered.	<b>IIa</b>	<b>B</b>

<sup>e</sup>At the time of finalizing the guidelines, this recommendation applies only to ezetimibe.

# Cholesterol Absorption in the Intestine



ACAT=acyl-coenzyme A:cholesterol acyltransferase; NPC1L1=Niemann-Pick C1 Like 1

Adapted from Champe PC, Harvey RA. In Biochemistry. 2nd ed. Philadelphia: Lippincott Raven, 1994; Ginsberg HN, Goldberg IJ.

In Harrison's Principles of Internal Medicine. 14th ed. New York: McGraw-Hill, 1998:2138-2149; Shepherd J Eur Heart J Suppl 2001;3(suppl E):E2-E5; Hopfer U. In Textbook of Biochemistry with Clinical Correlations. 5th ed. New York: Wiley-Liss, 2002:1082-1150;

Davis JP et al Genomics 2000;65:137-145

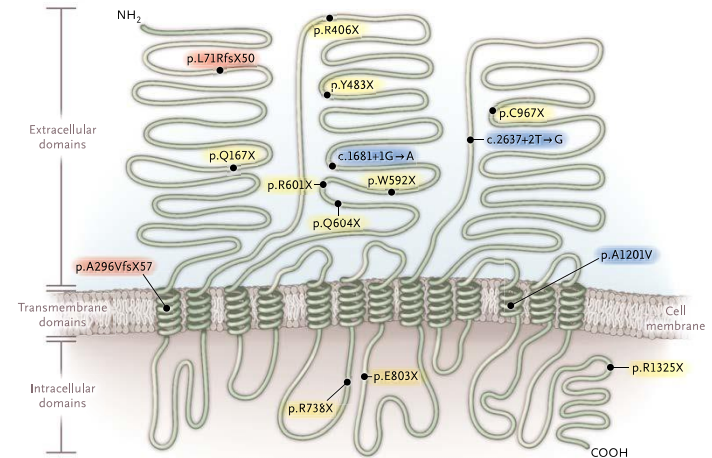
ORIGINAL ARTICLE

# Inactivating Mutations in *NPC1L1* and Protection from Coronary Heart Disease

The Myocardial Infarction Genetics Consortium Investigators

**Table 3.** Association between the Presence of Inactivating Mutations in *NPC1L1* and the Risk of Coronary Heart Disease (CHD).

Inactivating Mutation	Mutation Carriers		Total Participants		Carrier Frequency	
	With CHD	Without CHD	With CHD	Without CHD	Participants with CHD	Participants without CHD
	<i>number</i>				<i>percent</i>	
All mutations*	11	71	29,954	83,140	0.04	0.09
p.L71RfsX50	0	2	709	4,378	0	0.05
p.Q167X	0	1	966	987	0	0.10
p.A296VfsX57	0	3	1,794	1,745	0	0.17
p.R406X	6	49	26,507	75,654	0.02	0.06
p.Y483X	0	1	844	1,107	0	0.09
c.1681+1G→A†	0	3	709	4,378	0	0.07
p.W592X	1	0	1,157	4,561	0.09	0
p.R601X	1	0	474	2,362	0.21	0
p.Q604X	0	3	652	2,639	0	0.11
p.R738X	0	2	382	401	0	0.50
p.E803X	1	0	1,157	4,561	0.09	0
c.2637+2T→G†	1	1	1,525	4,897	0.07	0.02
p.C967X	0	1	474	2,362	0	0.04
p.A1201V†	0	2	235	2,016	0	0.10
p.R1325X	1	3	1,866	8,939	0.05	0.03

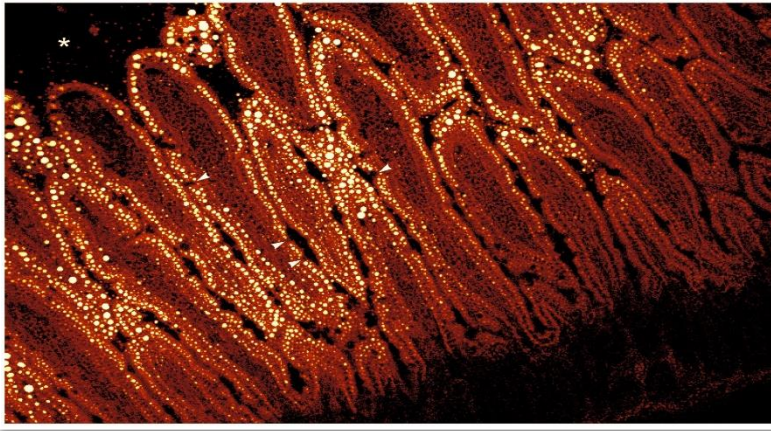


**Table 2.** Association between the Presence of Inactivating Mutations in *NPC1L1* and Plasma Lipid Levels.\*

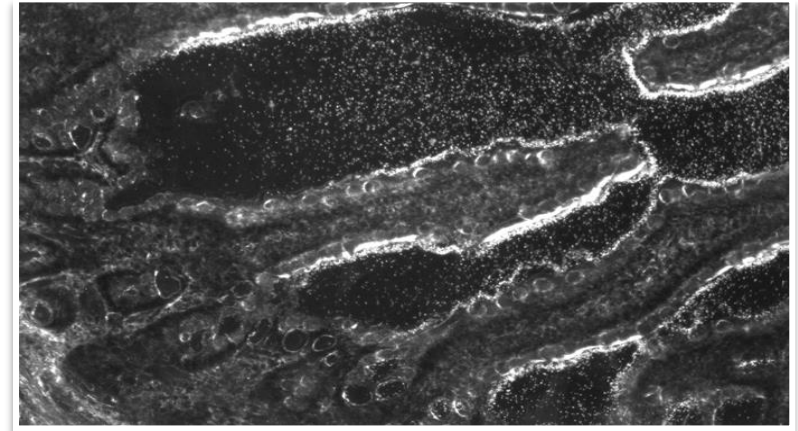
Variable	Mean Difference between Carriers and Noncarriers*	P Value
Cholesterol (mg/dl)		
Total	-13	0.03
Low-density lipoprotein	-12	0.04
High-density lipoprotein	2	0.29
Triglycerides (% change)	-12	0.11†

# Ezetimibe: Localization at Site of Cholesterol Absorption

## Absorption of cholesterol in intestine (hamster)



## Ezetimibe localization at intestinal brush border (rat)

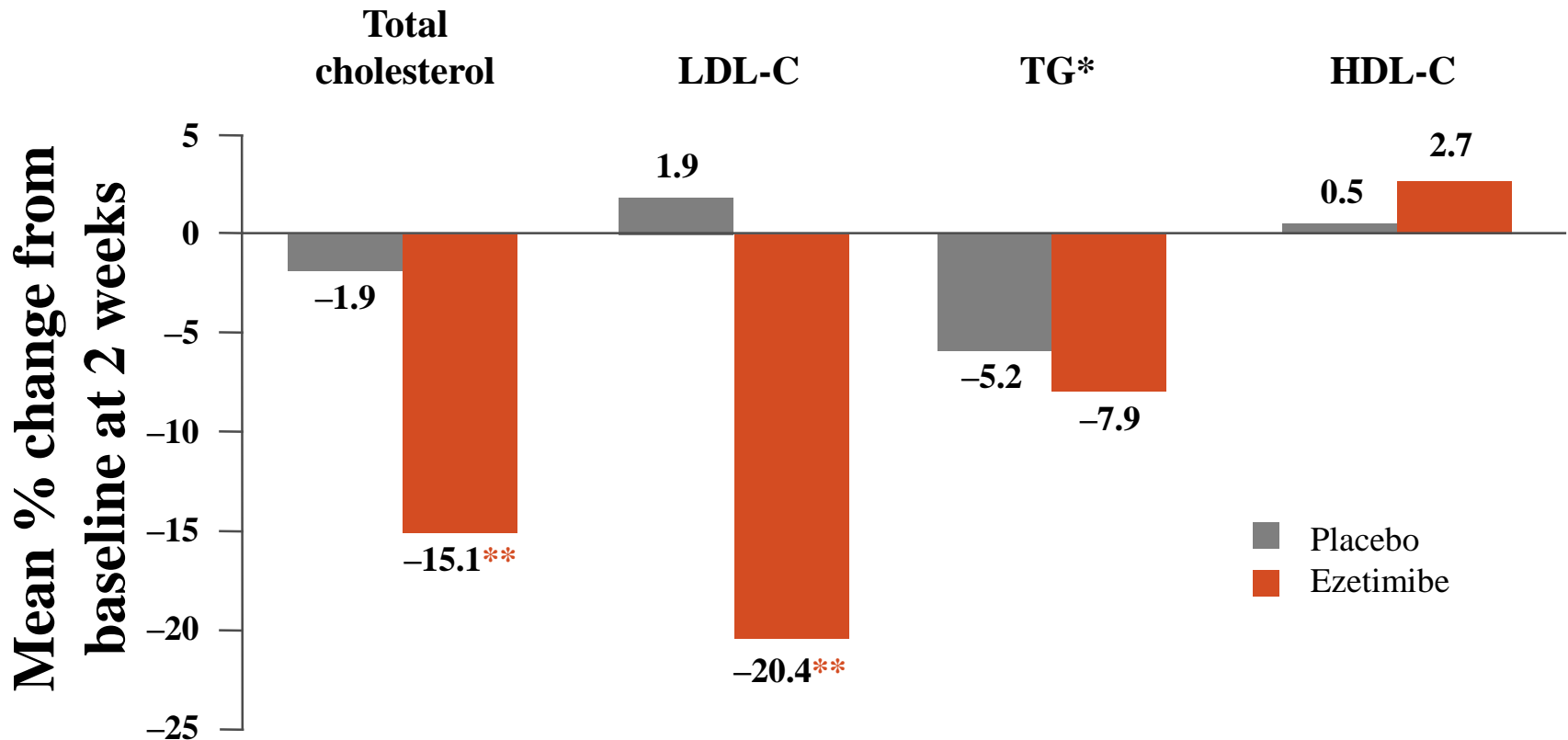


- Localizes at brush border of small intestine and prevents uptake of cholesterol into enterocytes
- Decreases delivery of intestinal cholesterol to liver resulting in
  - ✧ Up-regulation of LDL-C-receptor synthesis
  - ✧ Increased cholesterol clearance from the blood

Brown WV Am J Cardiol 2001;87(suppl):23B-27B;  
Sparrow CP et al J Lipid Res 1999;10:1747-1757



# Effects of Ezetimibe on Plasma Lipids

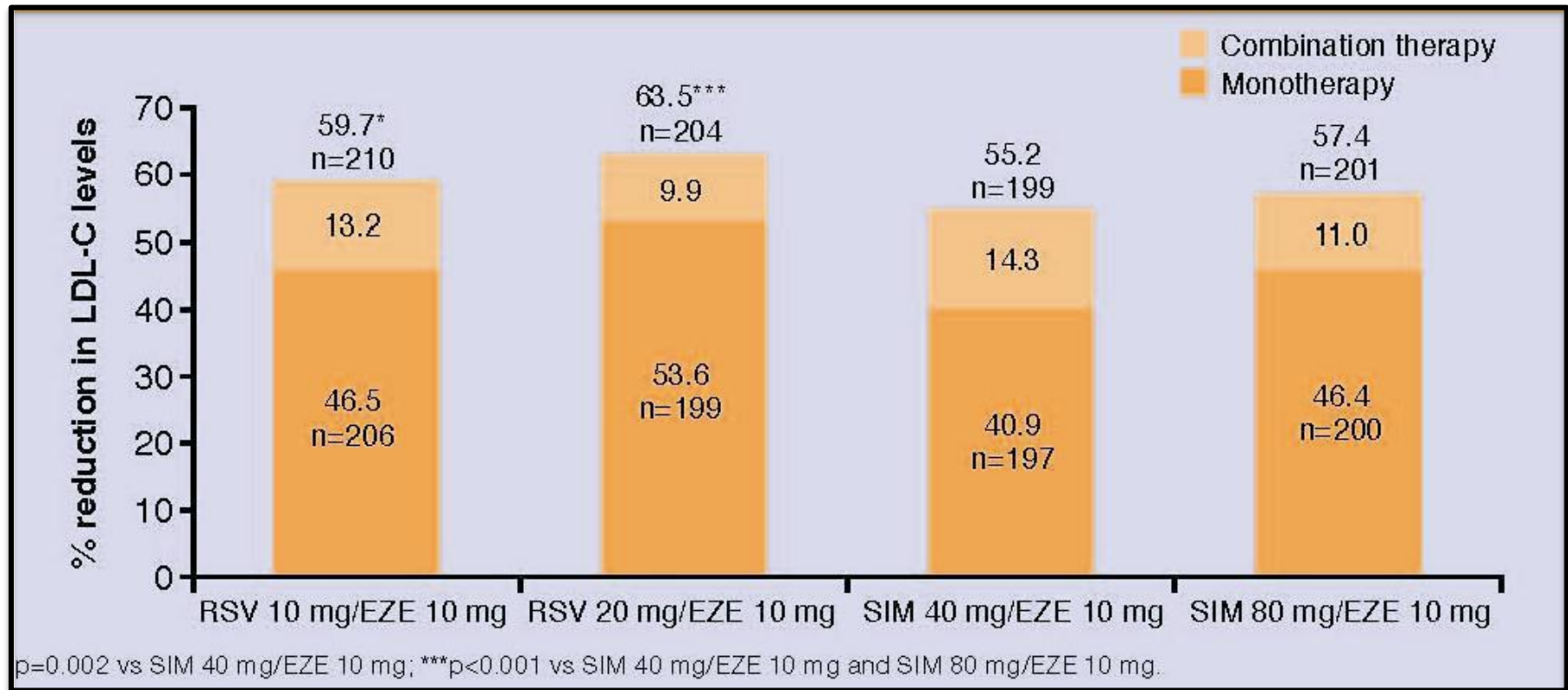


HDL-C=high-density lipoprotein cholesterol

\*Median values; \*\* $p < 0.001$

Sudhop T et al. Circulation 2002;106:1943-1948

# LDL-C Reduction with Statin Monotherapy and Statin Plus Ezetimibe: GRAVITY



Ballantyne, 2013

# Study Design



**18,144 patients stabilized post ACS  $\leq 10$  days:**  
LDL-C 50–125 mg/dL (or 50–100 mg/dL if prior lipid-lowering Rx)

Standard Medical & Interventional Therapy

**Simvastatin  
40 mg**

*Uptitrated to  
Simva 80 mg  
if LDL-C > 79  
(adapted per  
FDA label 2011)*

**Ezetimibe/Simvastatin  
10/40 mg**

Follow-up Visit Day 30, every 4 months

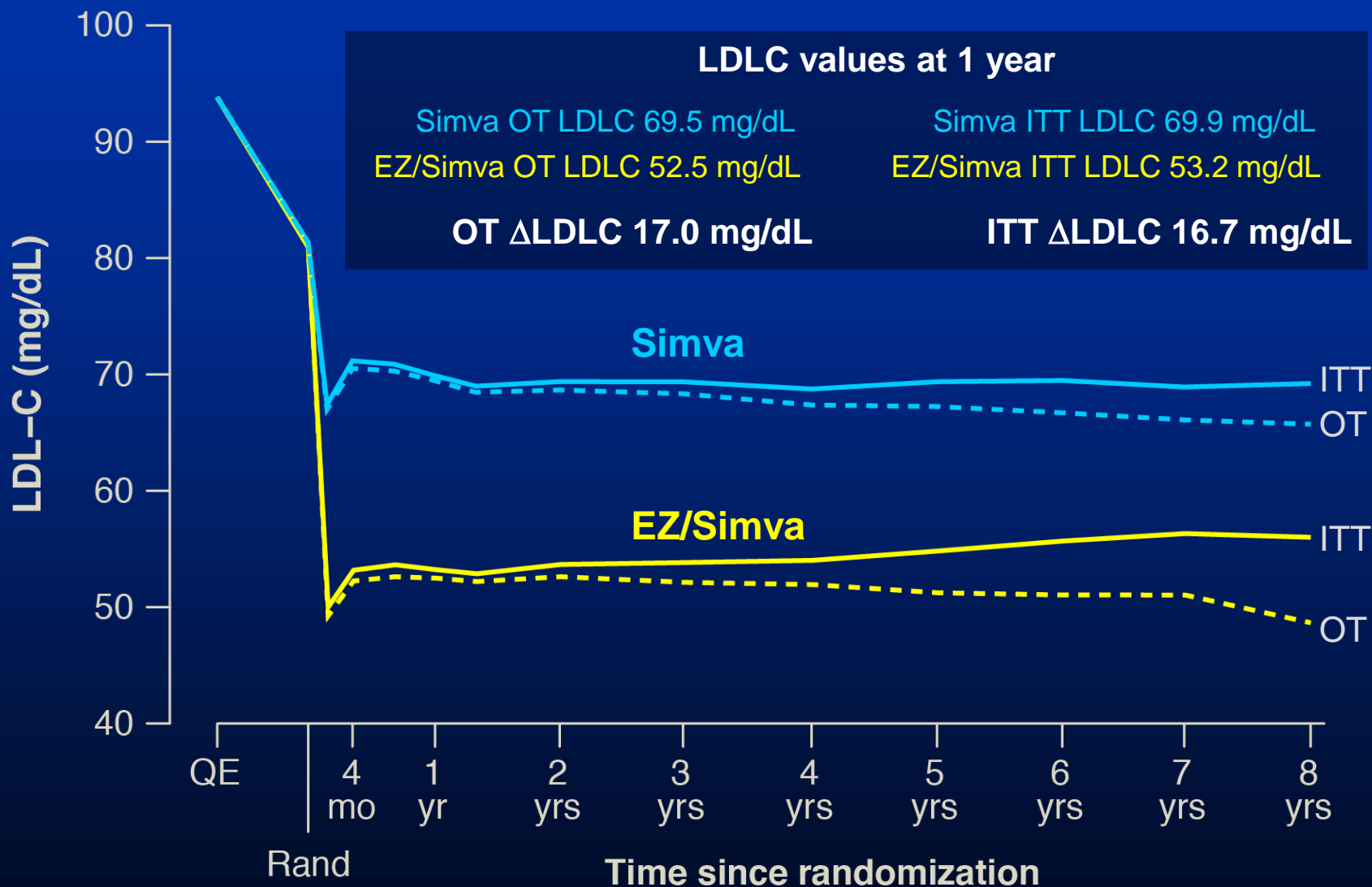
*90% power to detect  
~9% difference*

**Duration: Minimum 2 ½-year follow-up (at least 5250 events)**

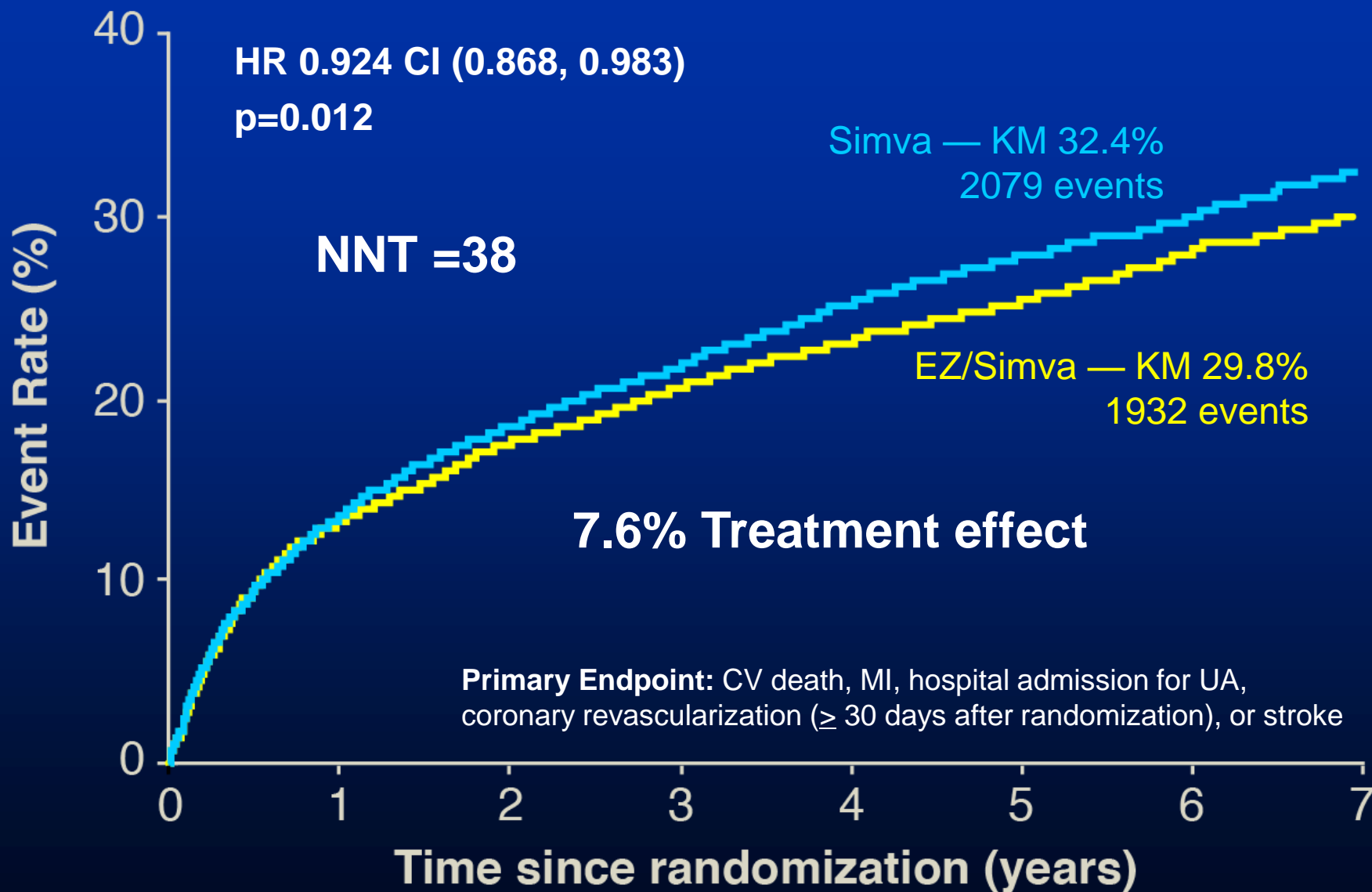
**Primary Endpoint:** CV death, MI, hospital admission for UA, coronary revascularization ( $\geq 30$  days after randomization), or stroke

Cannon AHJ 2008; Califf NEJM 2009; Blazing AHJ 2014

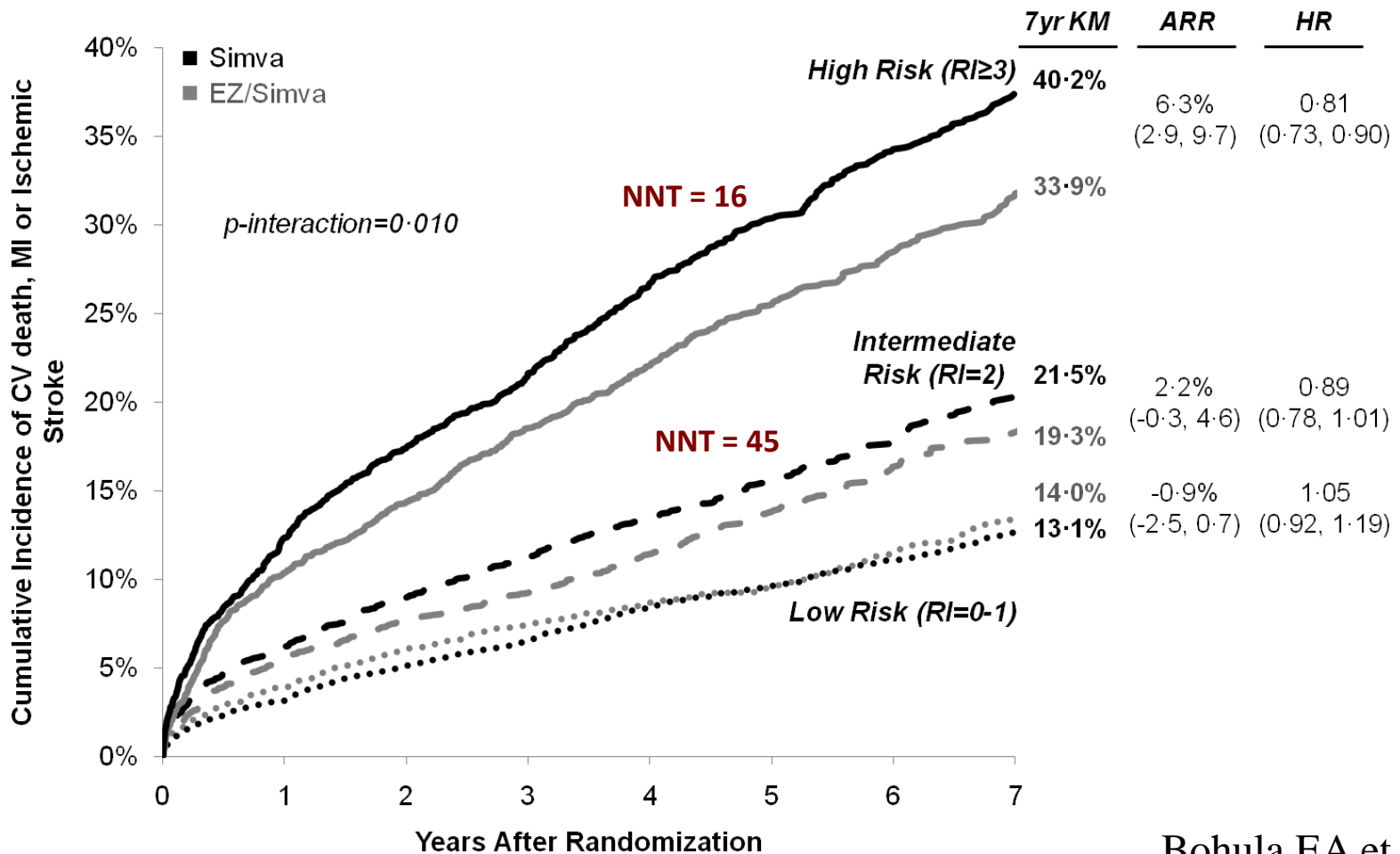
# Mean LDL-C at 1 Year OT & ITT



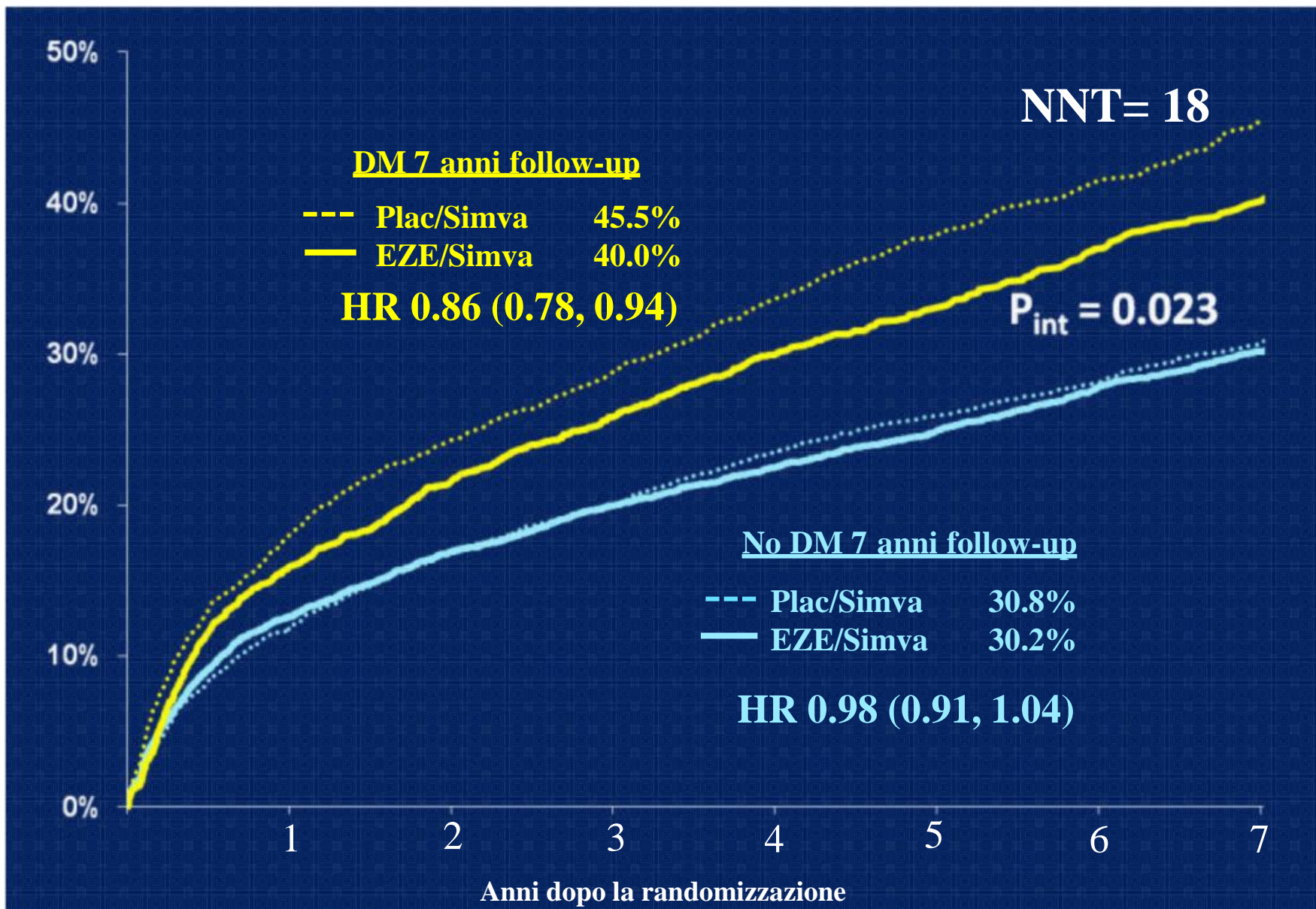
# Primary Endpoint On-Treatment



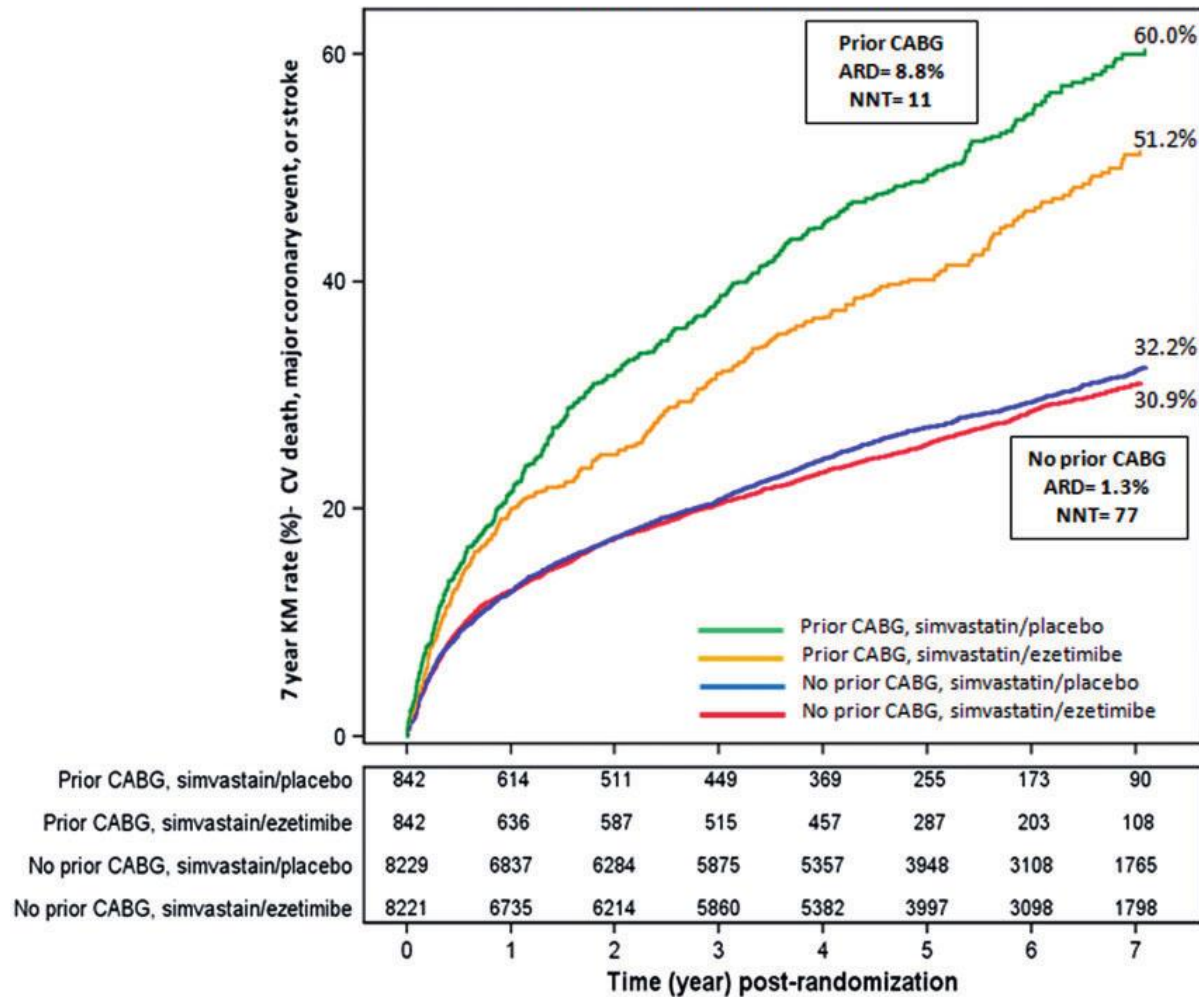
# Effects of ezetimibe by TRAP 2P risk score in IMPROVE-IT



Bohula EA et al.

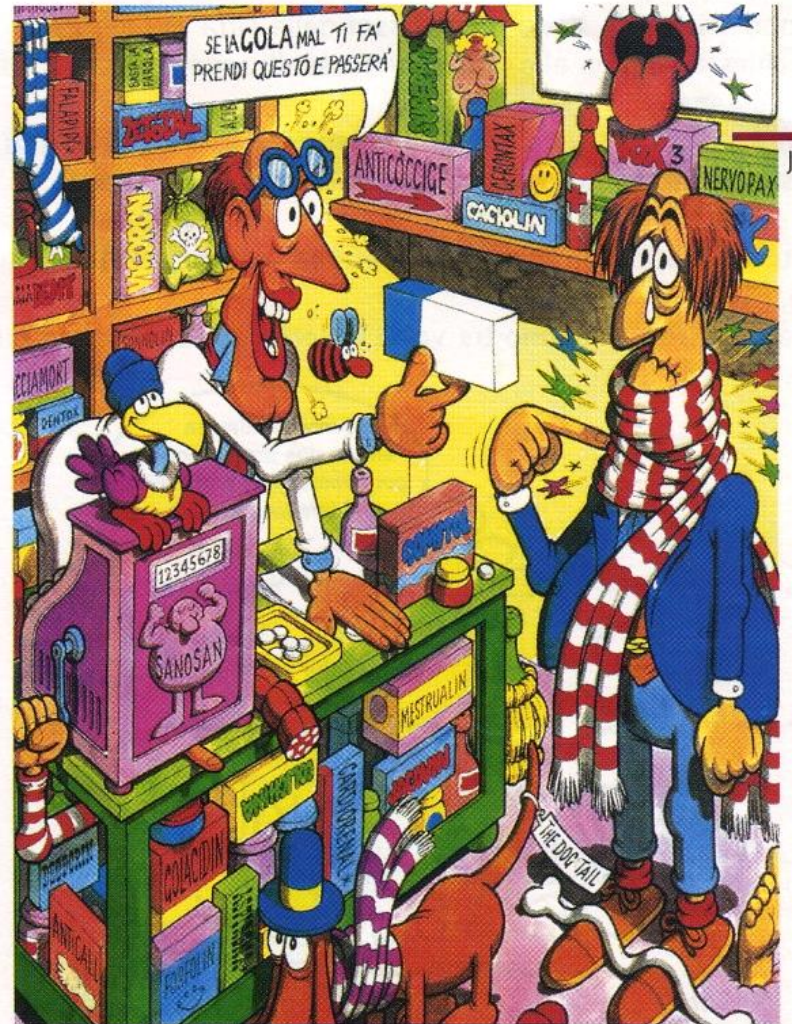


# The benefit of adding ezetimibe to statin therapy in patients with prior coronary artery bypass graft surgery and acute coronary syndrome in the IMPROVE-IT trial





Difficile non è prescrivere un farmaco; è fare in modo che il paziente lo assuma. Compliance e aderenza sono gli «assi» per la gestione dei soggetti ad alto rischio.



# Strategie di ottimizzazione

- Il paziente è aderente



- Il paziente è a target

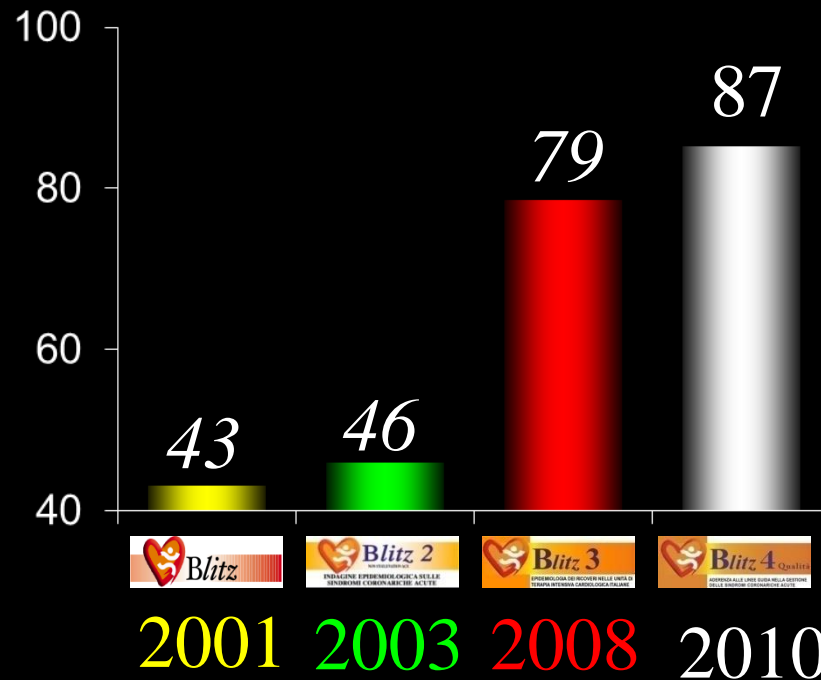


- Il paziente lamenta effetti collaterali



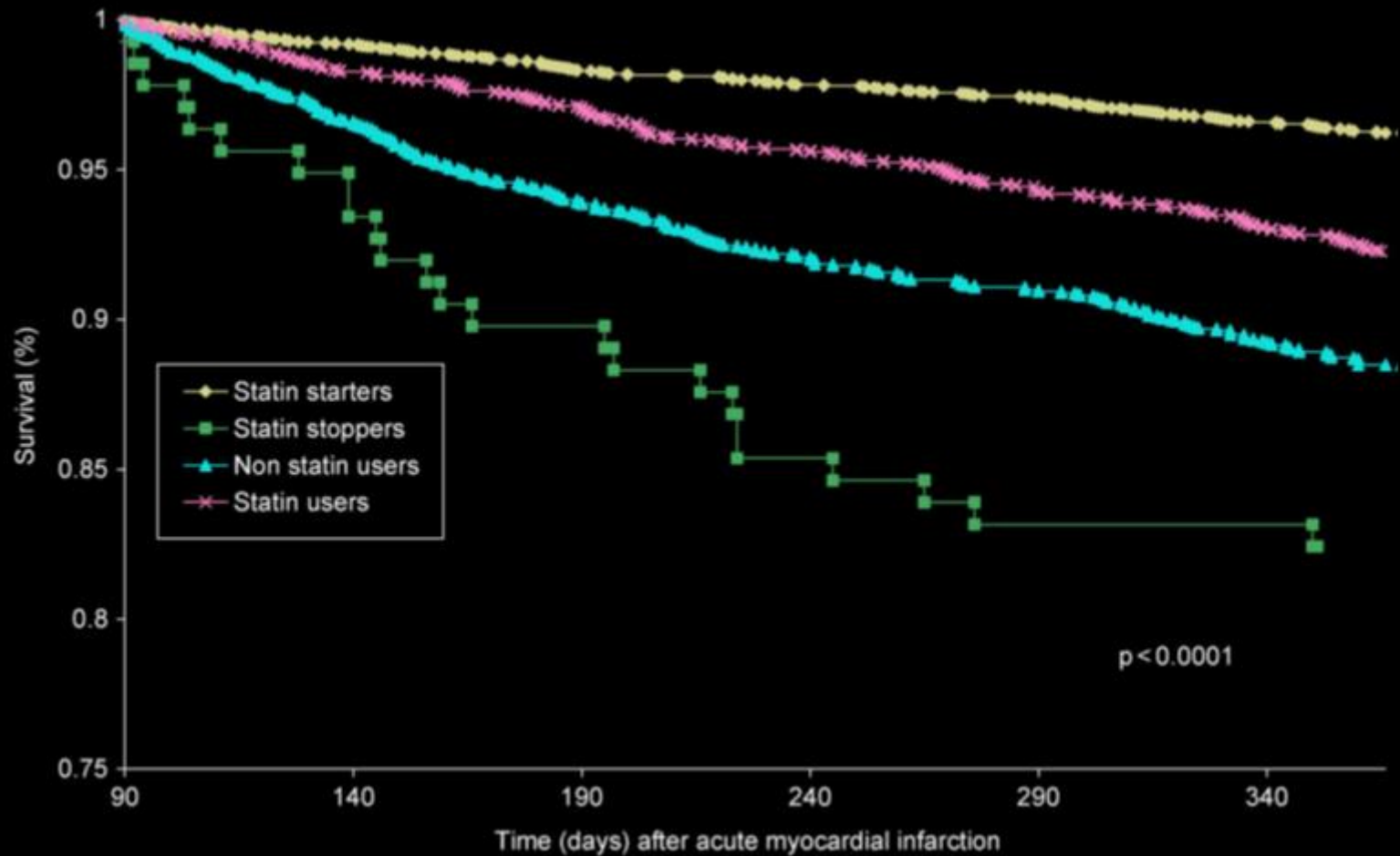
# Il paziente non è aderente

% di utilizzo di statine nella SCA  
in Italia: dati dagli studi BLITZ



Follow-up 6 mesi

# Effect of statin treatment patterns on 1-year all-cause mortality among 9939 survivors of a first AMI



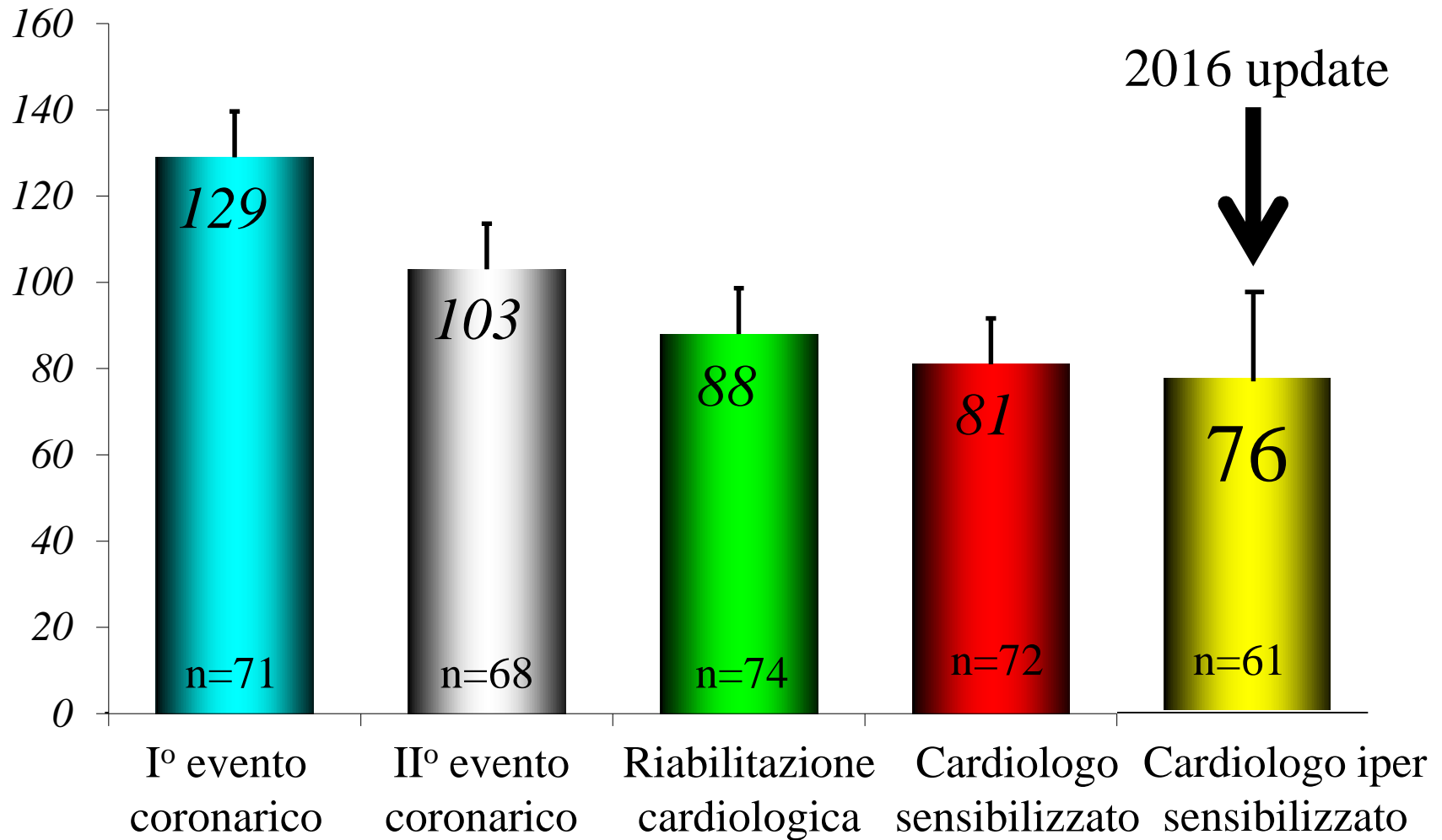
European Heart Journal 2008, 29, 2083–2091

# Il paziente non è a target



- ⊙ Aumentiamo la posologia della statina (max consentito: atorvastatina 80 mg/die; rosuvastatina 40 mg/die; simvastatina 40 mg/die)
- ⊙ Aggiungiamo ezetimibe 10 mg;
- ⊙ **Non altra terapia EBM** (considero fibrati, berberina)

# C-LDL in differenti popolazioni con CHD



C. Bilato, dati personali

# Il paziente è intollerante

incapace di proseguire la terapia con statine per effetti collaterali (mialgie, miopatie) o incremento di transaminasi e/o CPK



European Heart Journal (2019) 39, 1012–1022  
doi:10.1093/eurheartj/ehz046

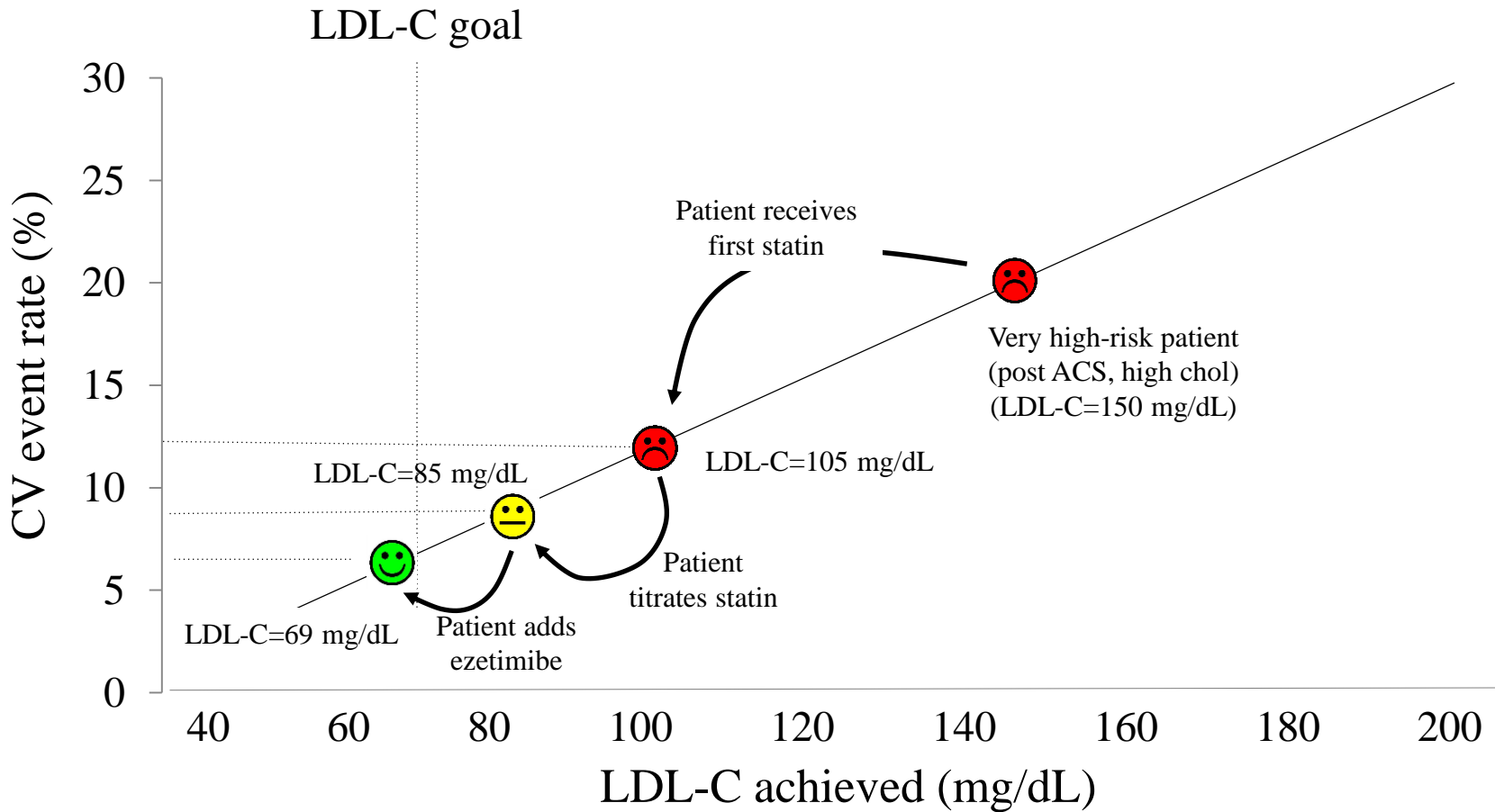
REVIEW

Clinical update

Statin-associated muscle symptoms: impact on statin therapy—European Atherosclerosis Society Consensus Panel Statement on Assessment, Aetiology and Management

- fino al **15%** dei pazienti trattati
- non consenso unanime: segnalazione di mialgia **soggettiva** e influenzata da **comorbidità** (età, sesso femminile, ipotiroidismo, asiatici, alcol, farmaci, succo di pompelmo)
- diagnosi **difficile** identificare reale “statin intolerance”
- rarissima la rhabdomiolisi (1 su 23 milioni per atorva);
- strategia “**drug holiday and rechallenging**” (stessa statina a dosi più basse o altra statina);
- **ezetimibe** (meno altri farmaci, es. fibrati o resine);
- **assunzione intermittente** di statina (a più lunga durata d’azione);
- **Nutraceutici**, Vitamina D? Coenzima Q?

# but...





# We still do have unmet clinical needs

