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Managing Diabetic Complications - Concurrent workshop repeated

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Complications of Diabetes

Microvascular:

Retinopathy
Nephropathy
Neuropathy

Distal symmetric polyneuropathy
Acute painful neuropathy
Cranial nerve palsies
Truncal neuropathy
Diabetic amyotrophy
Autonomic neuropathy

Macrovascular:

Increased risk of: *coronary artery disease*

cerebrovascular disease

peripheral vascular disease

heart failure

Other complications:

foot problems *bone & rheumatic disease*

GI manifestations, skin problems

Sexual dysfunction, psychological issues

infections

In Practice:

1. Early identification of those at high risk
2. Achieve glycaemic control as close as possible to target (50-55mmol/mol)
3. Early & aggressive management of other modifiable risk factors: *smoking, blood pressure & lipids*
4. Prevention & management of diabetic foot problems
5. Awareness of other complications

Determining level of risk for diabetes-related complications

Low risk

- HbA1c 50–55 mmol/mol*
- BP <130/80 mm Hg*
- ACR <2.5 mg/mmol in men or <3.5 mg/mmol in women
- eGFR ≥ 60 ml/min/1.73m²*
- Lipids: triglycerides <1.7 mmol/L, total cholesterol <4.0 mmol/L
- Non-smoker
- Attends at least 6-monthly review of HbA1c and blood pressure; annual review of lipids, ACR, eGFR and foot check. Two-yearly retinal screening

Moderate to high risk

High risk = 3 or more risk factors

Moderate risk = 2 risk factors

- HbA1c >55 mmol/mol.* Risk increases incrementally with increasing HbA1c
- BP $\geq 130/80$ mm Hg*
- ACR ≥ 2.5 mg/mmol men, or ≥ 3.5 mg/mmol in women
- eGFR <60 ml/min/1.73m²*
- Lipids: triglycerides ≥ 1.7 mmol/L, total cholesterol ≥ 4.0 mmol/L
- Current smoker
- Ethnicity (Māori, Pacific Islander, South Asian)
- Moderate retinopathy (R3), mild maculopathy (M3) – in either eye
- More than one year since diabetes last reviewed or poor adherence or attendance

* Consider patient age. In younger people, tighter control should be considered given their higher lifetime risk of diabetes-related complications. Evidence suggests that a blood pressure target <120 mm Hg may be harmful. Care should be taken to estimate likely treatment response for patients when BP approaches the target of <130 mm Hg.

Increasing risk for diabetes-related complications

Existing complications

These place the person at **high risk** of developing more severe and/or additional complications:

- previous cardiac event or stroke/TIA
- eGFR <45 ml/min/1.73m² and/or ACR >30 mg/mmol
- severe retinopathy (R4), moderate maculopathy (M4) – in either eye
- previous amputation/ulceration
- peripheral arterial disease or previous leg vascular surgery

Management of glycaemic control

Target HbA1c 50–55 mmol/mol or as individually agreed

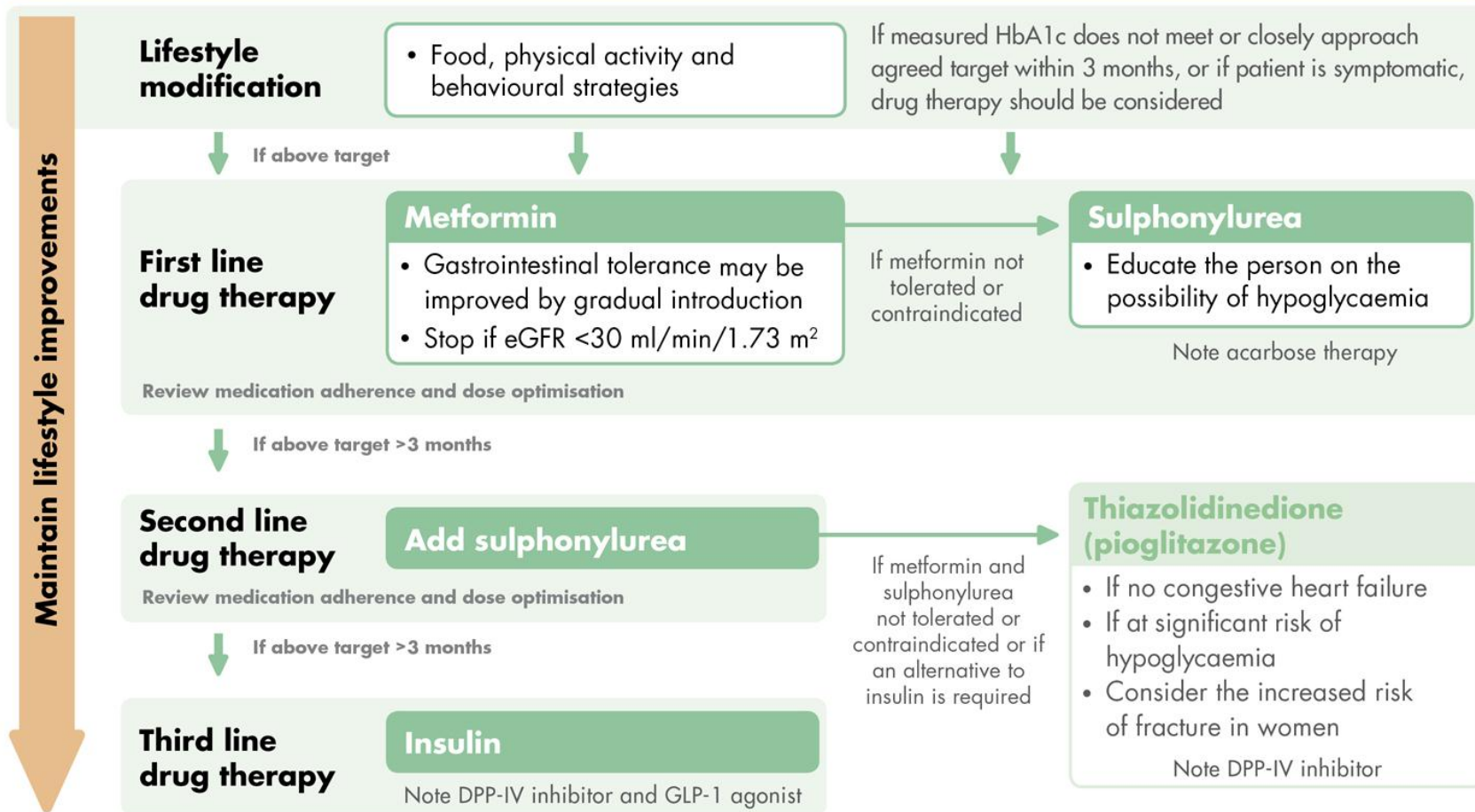
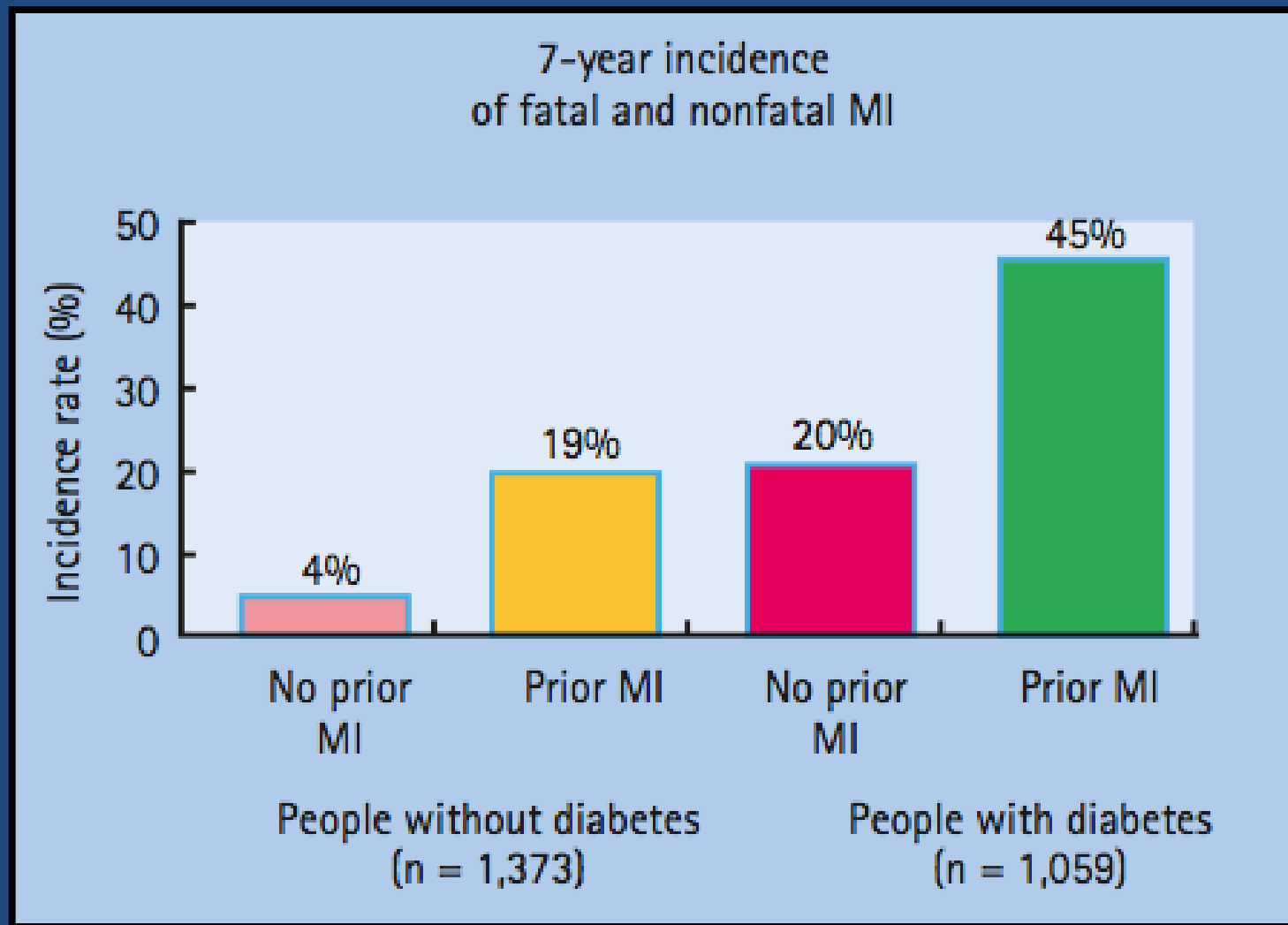


Fig 40.10: Equivalence of cardiovascular risk in patients with previous coronary heart disease and those with diabetes



Management of raised blood pressure

Target BP <130/80 mm Hg

Hypertension should be treated aggressively with lifestyle modification including dietary salt restriction and drug therapy. Evidence suggests a blood pressure target <120 mm Hg may be harmful. Care should be taken to estimate likely treatment response for patients when BP approaches the target of <130 mm Hg.

Start drug therapy

BP >130/80 mm Hg consistently for 3 months despite attempts at lifestyle modification

Start

ACE inhibitor (and titrate dose) or ARB if intolerant



If above target

Add one of

- CCB
- Thiazide type diuretic



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If above target

Add one of

- Alpha-blocker
- Beta-blocker
- Further diuretic therapy (potassium sparing)



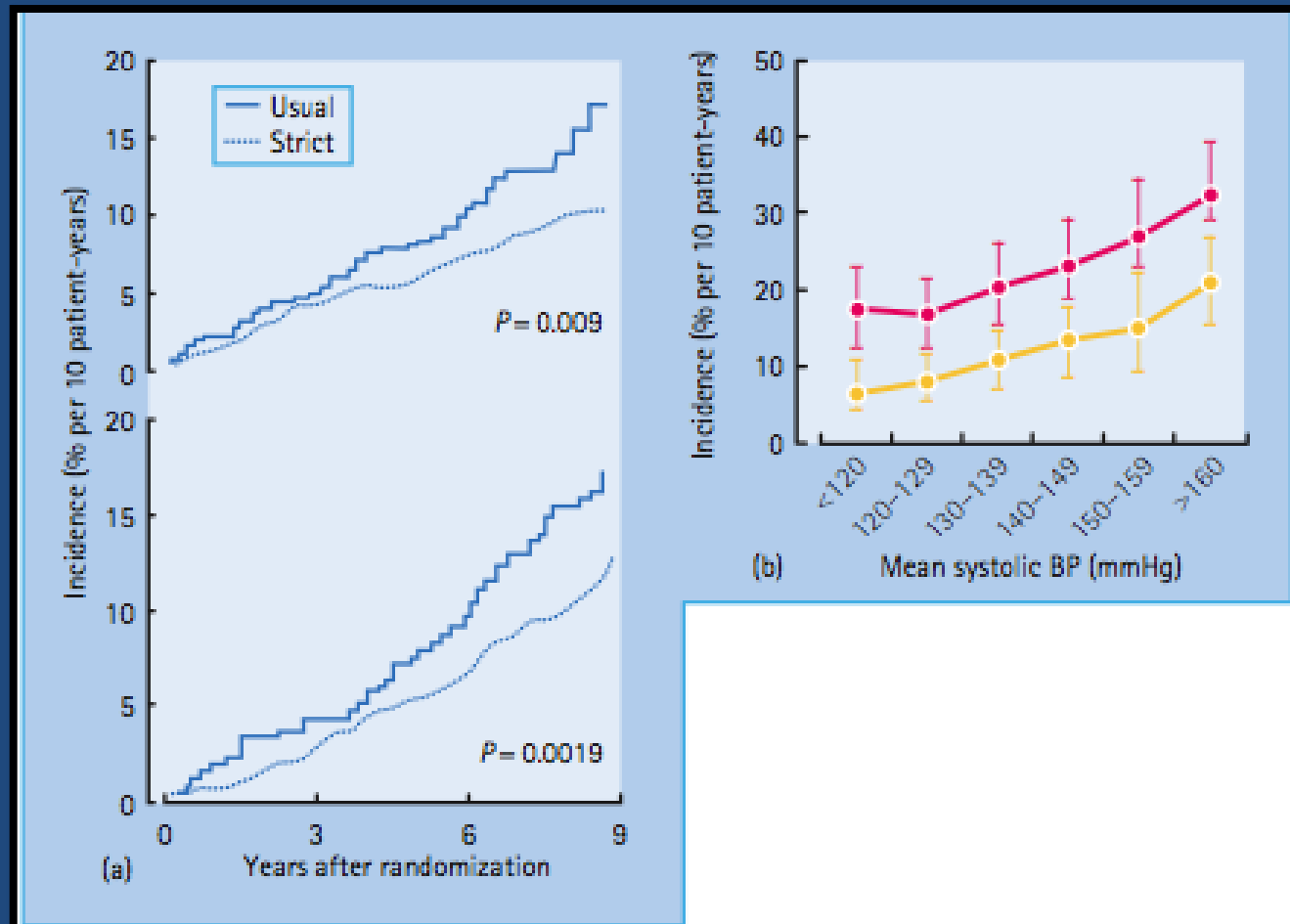
If above target

Add another of

- Alpha-blocker
 - Beta-blocker
 - Further diuretic therapy (potassium sparing)
- Or refer to specialist

Maintain lifestyle improvements

Fig 40.9: Treating hypertension improves the prognosis in T2DM



Dyslipidaemia of type 2 diabetes/metabolic syndrome:

↑ Triglycerides (triglyceride rich remnant lipoproteins)

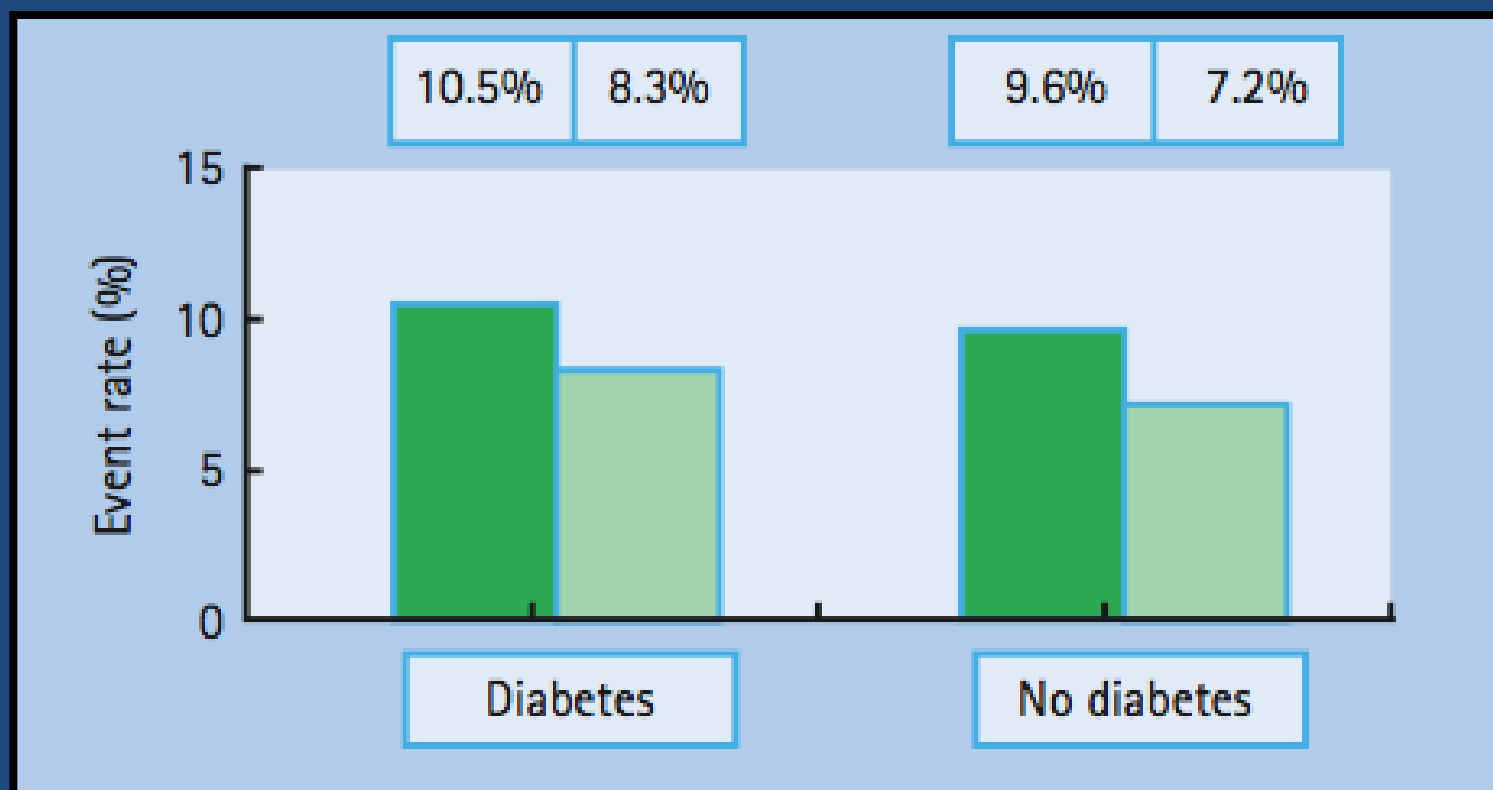
↓ HDL

Small dense LDL particles

LDL reduction in people with diabetes

4 S Trial (started with 20mg Simvastatin)	55% reduction in major CHD in people with diabetes 32% reduction in those without diabetes
CARDS: (10mg Atarvastatin)	40% reduction in LDL 37% reduction in all CVD
HPS: (40mg Simvastatin)	33% reduction in LDL 31% reduction in all CVD

Fig 40.13: Comparison of the effects of reducing low density lipoprotein cholesterol on cardiovascular events in patients with & without diabetes



Drugs modifying Triglyceride& HDL Levels:

Fibrates:

bezafibrate, gemfibrozil,
nicotinic acid (niacin)

Fig 3. Effects of fibrates with the potential to protect against cardiovascular disease

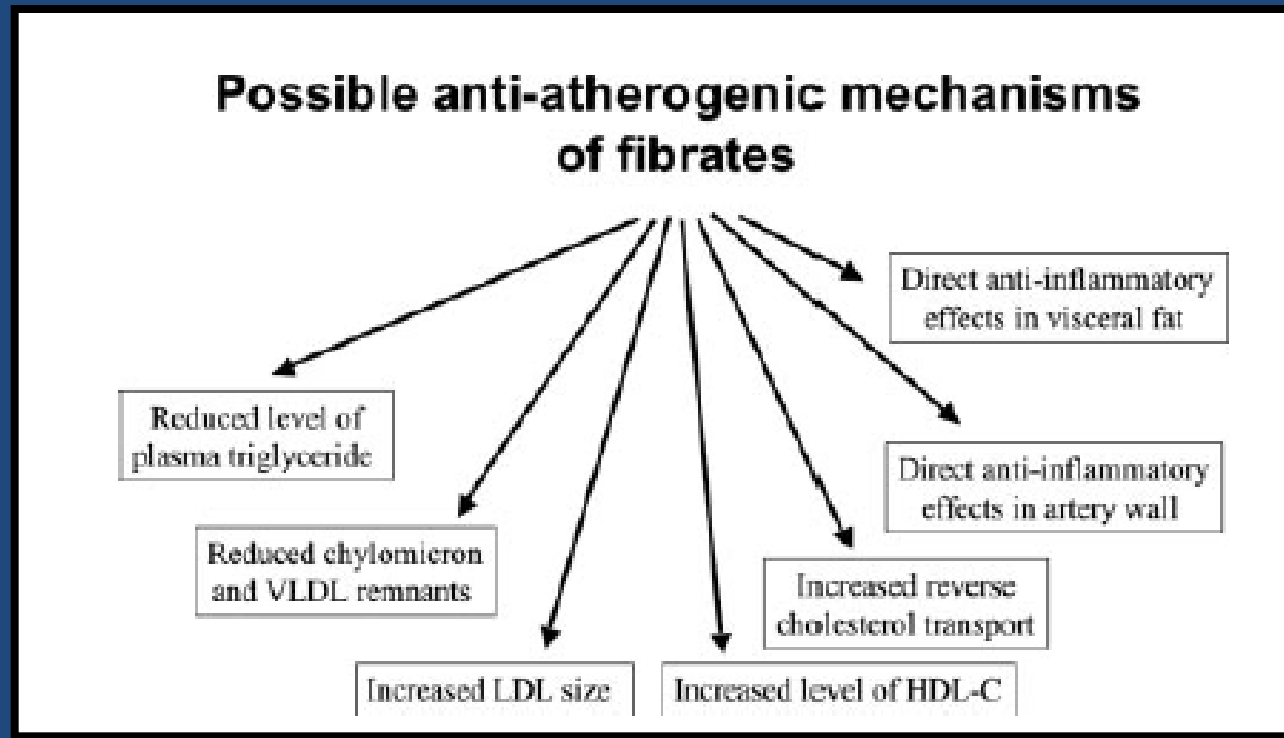


Fig 1. Reduction of CHD events by Gemfibrozil in Helsinki Heart Study

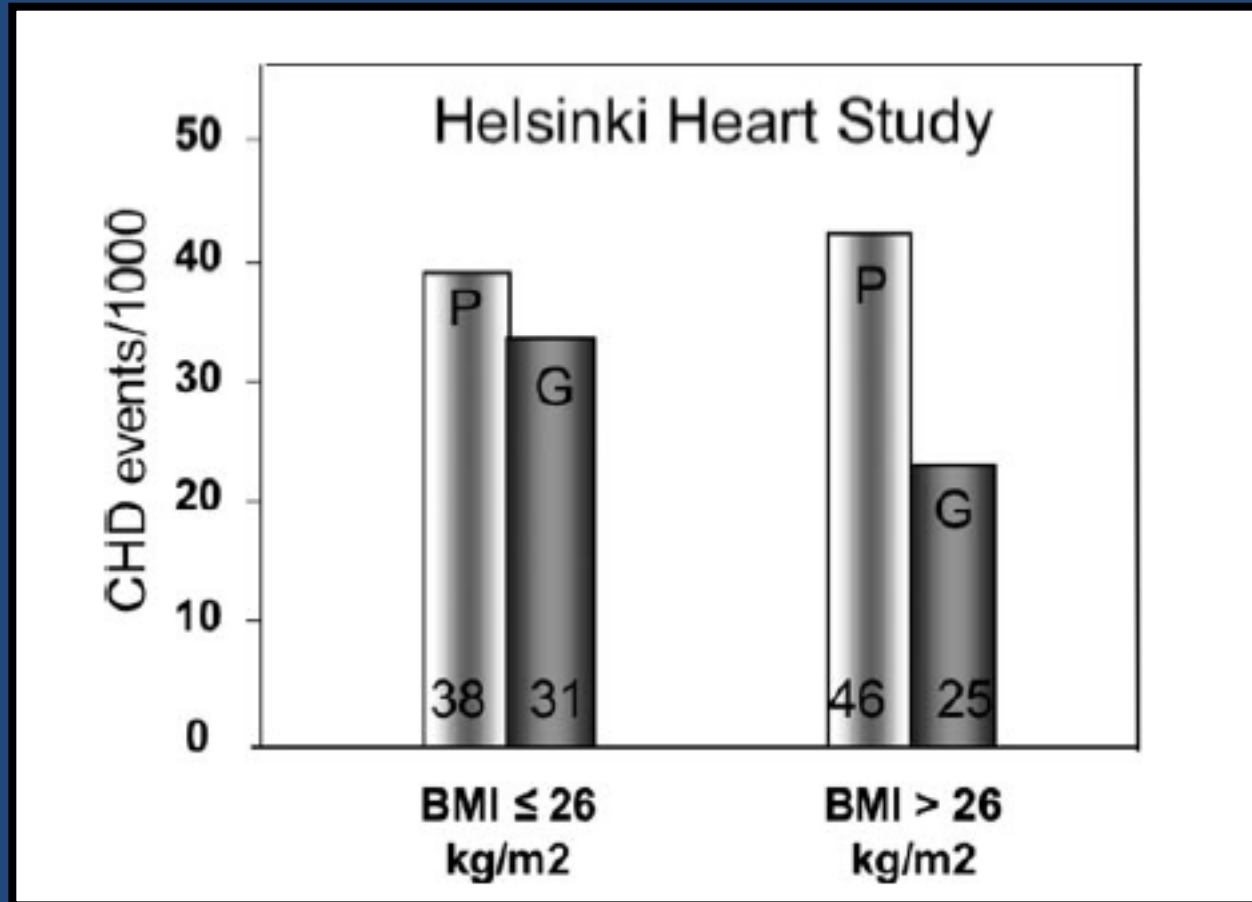


Fig 2. Reduction of CHD events by Fibrates

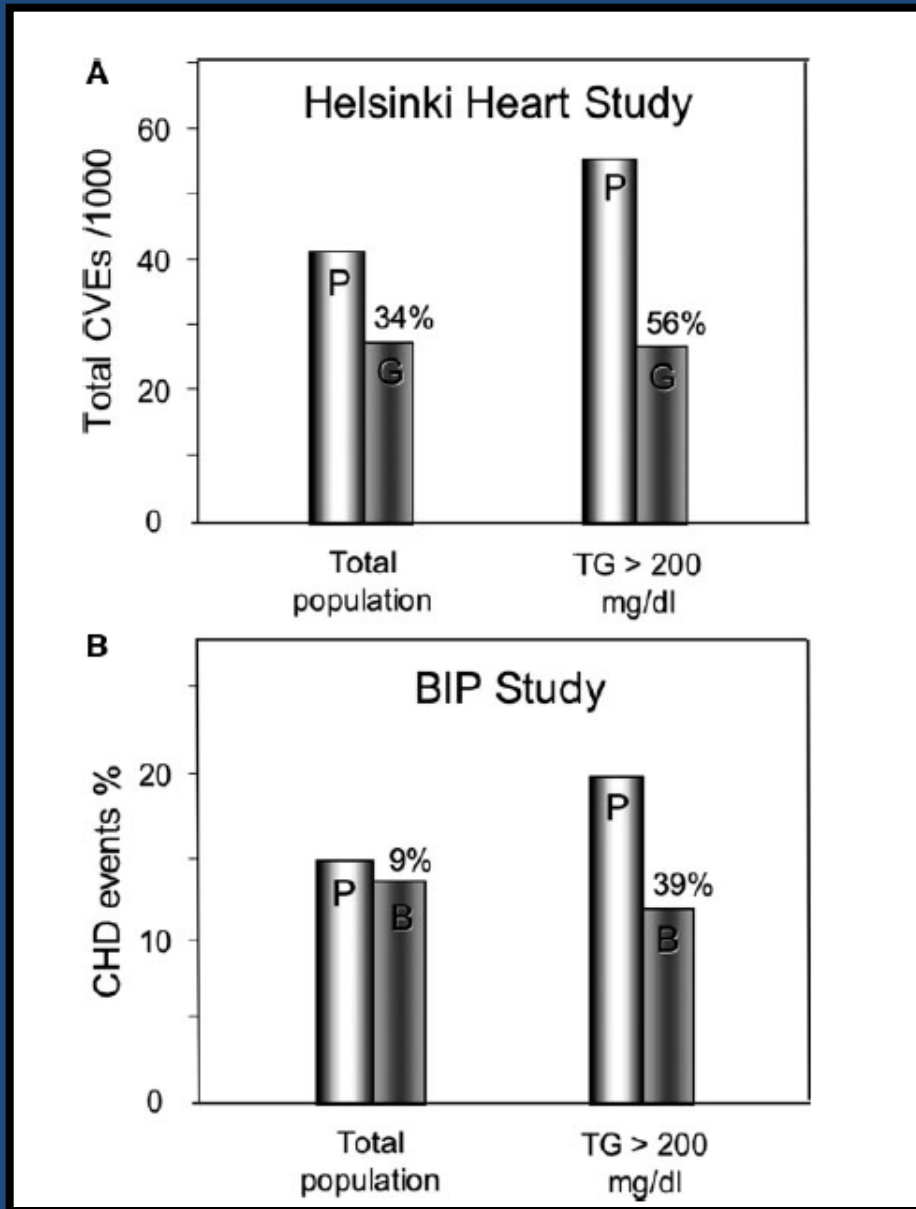


Fig 40.14: Reductions in mortality, coronary heart disease & cardiovascular events with Fenofibrate therapy in the FIELD study

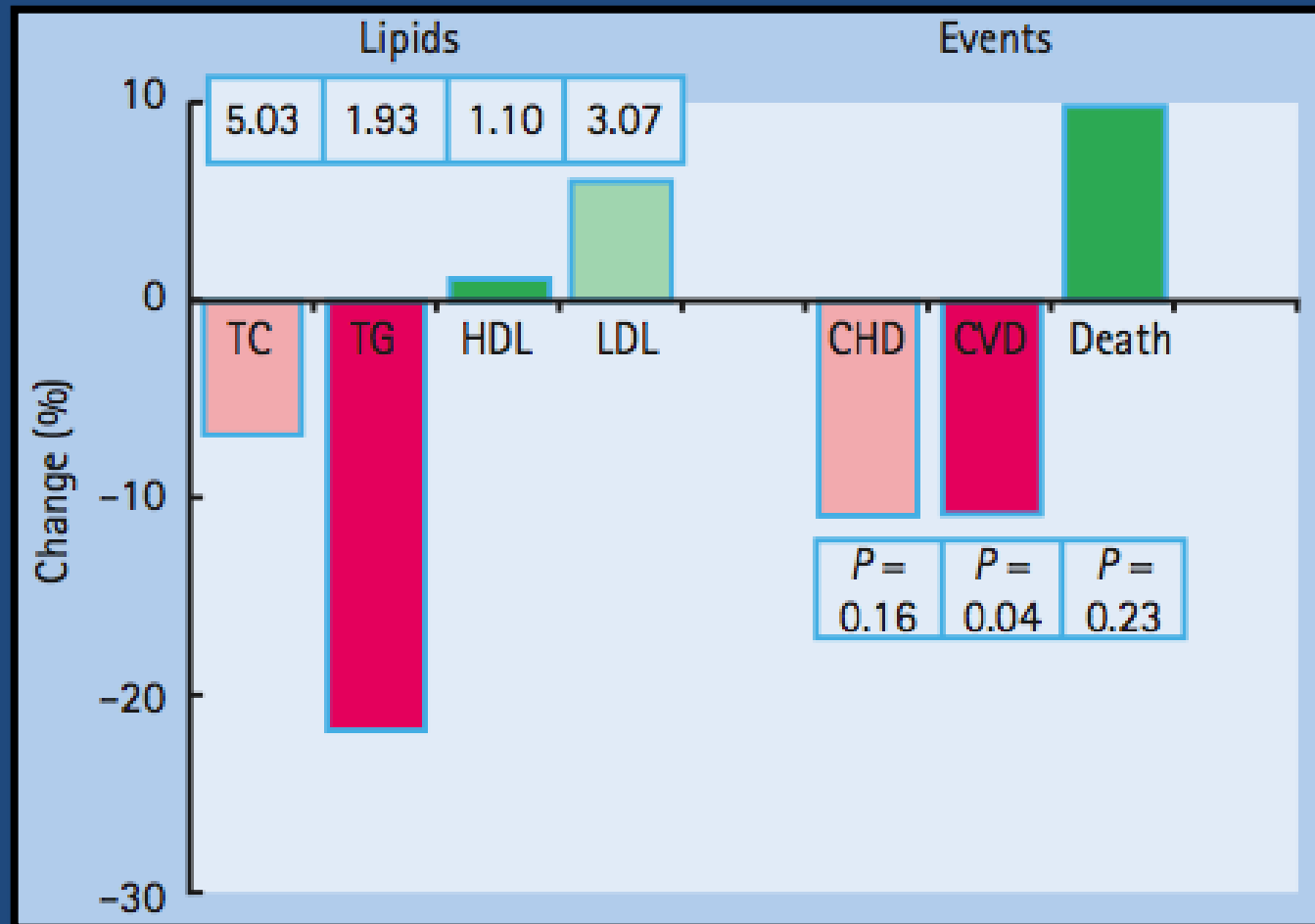
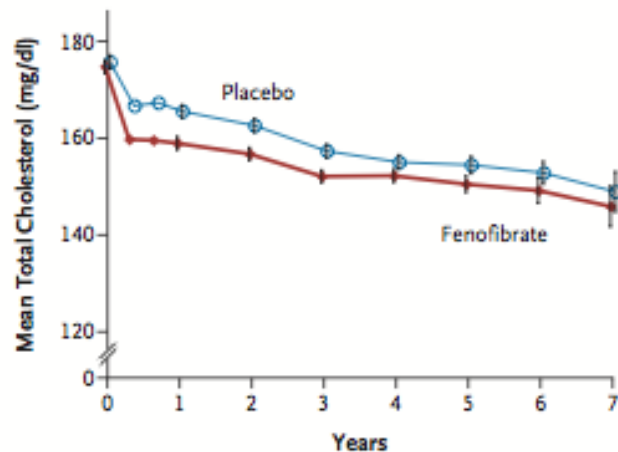


Fig 1. Lipid Values

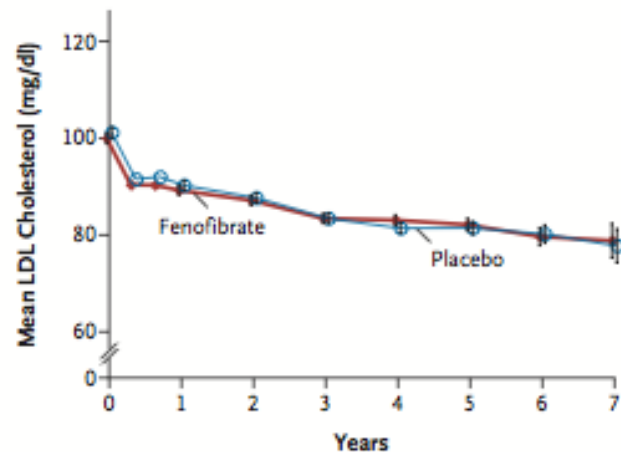
A Total Cholesterol



No. of Patients

Fenofibrate	2747	2593	2505	2417	2361	1478	796	248
Placebo	2735	2591	2484	2375	2364	1480	801	243

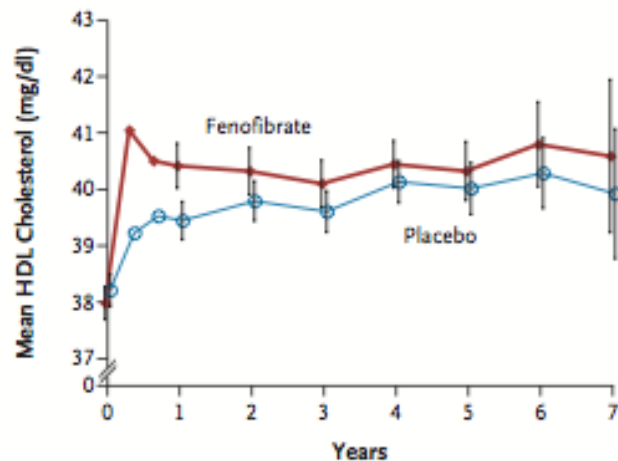
B LDL Cholesterol



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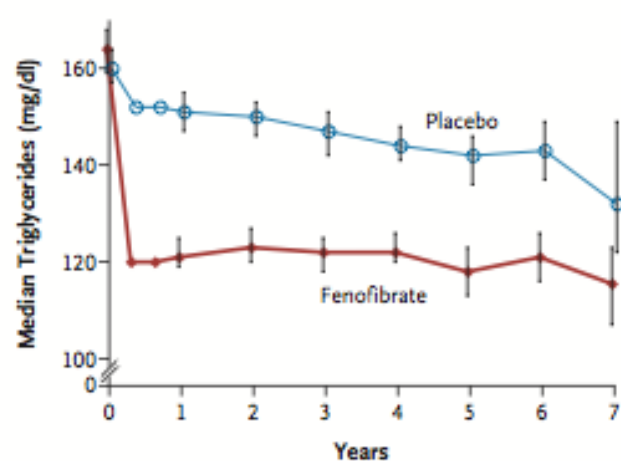
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The ACCORD Study Group
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Fig 3: Hazard Ratios For the Primary Outcome in Prespecified Subgroups

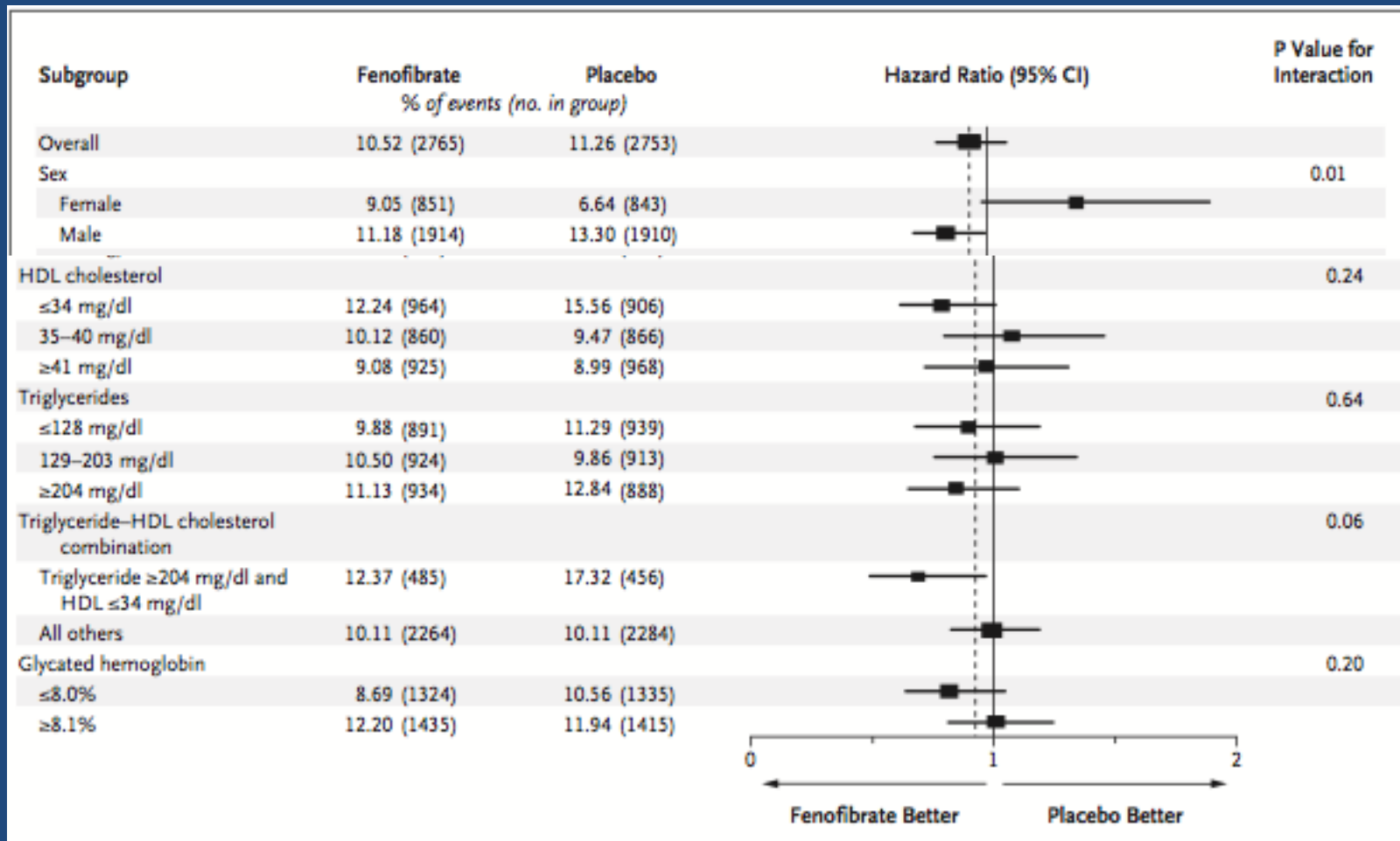
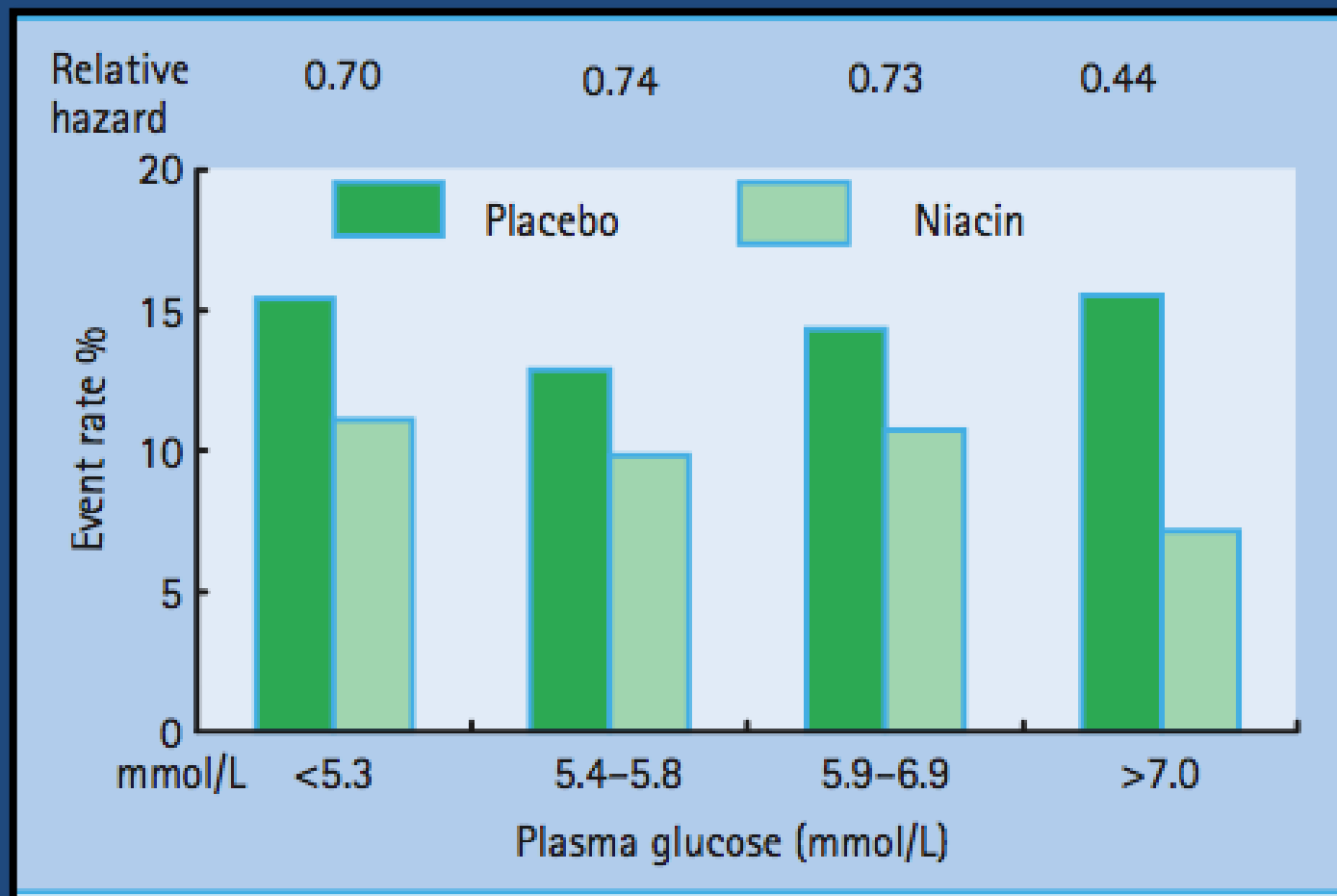


Table 3. Summary of the effects of nicotinic acid on plasma lipoprotein classes

LIPOPROTEIN	EFFECT
Chylomicrons	↓
VLDL	↓
β -VLDL	↓
IDL	↓
LDL	↓
sdLDL	↓
HDL	↑
HDL ₂	↑
LP(a)	↓

Fig 40.15: Reduction in coronary heart disease in patients with a fasting plasma glucose >7mmol/l from a post hoc analysis of the Coronary Drug Project



Niacin trials in Progress:

AIM-HIGH	Atherothrombosis Intervention in Metabolic Syndrome with low HDL/high triglycerides (2011, expected)
HPS2 – THRIVE:	Treatment of HDL to reduce incidence of vascular events (2013, expected) (Niacin/ laropiprant(Tredaptive))

Fig 40.17: Comparative effects of different lipid lowering drugs on cardiovascular disease in patients with with diabetes

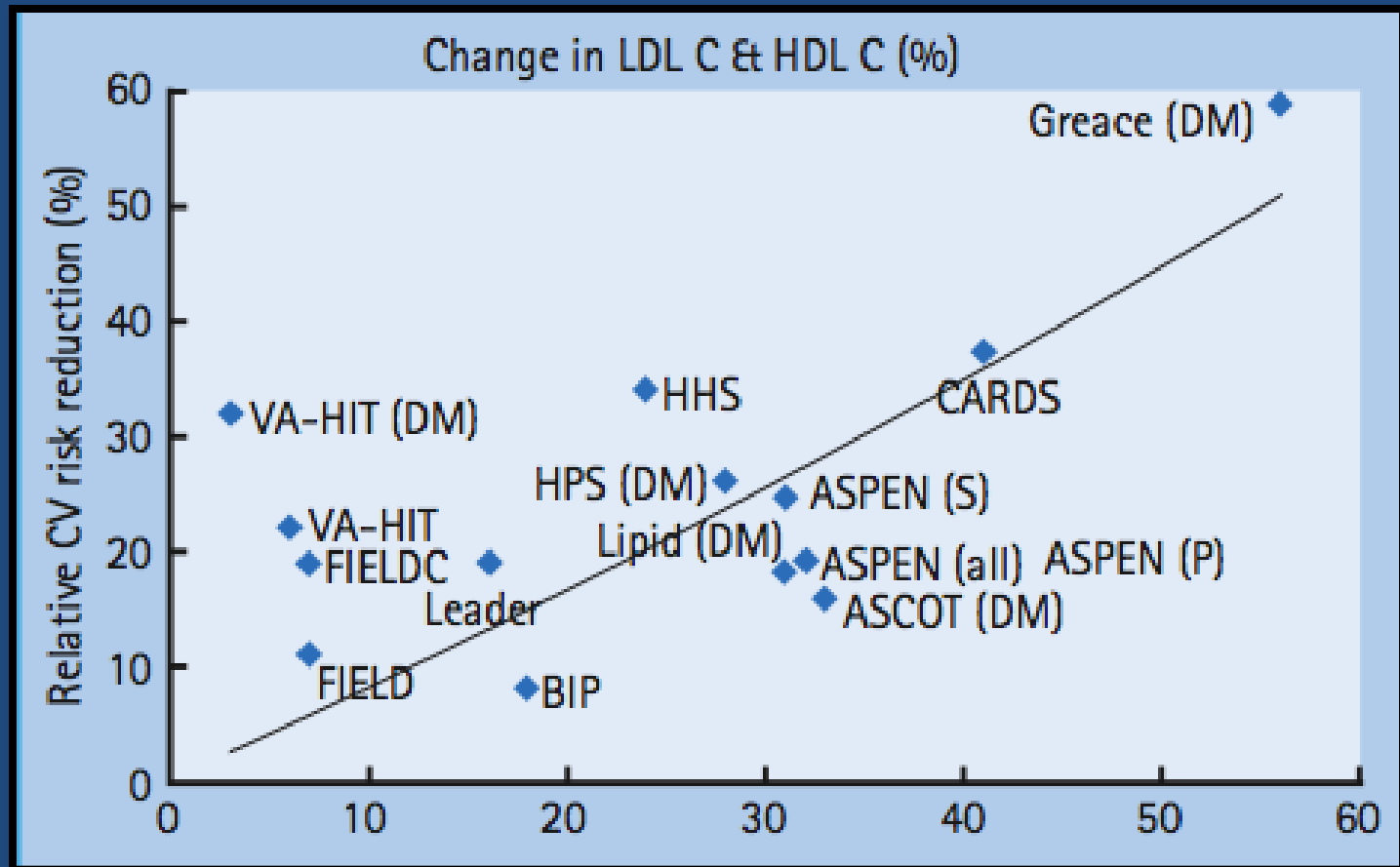
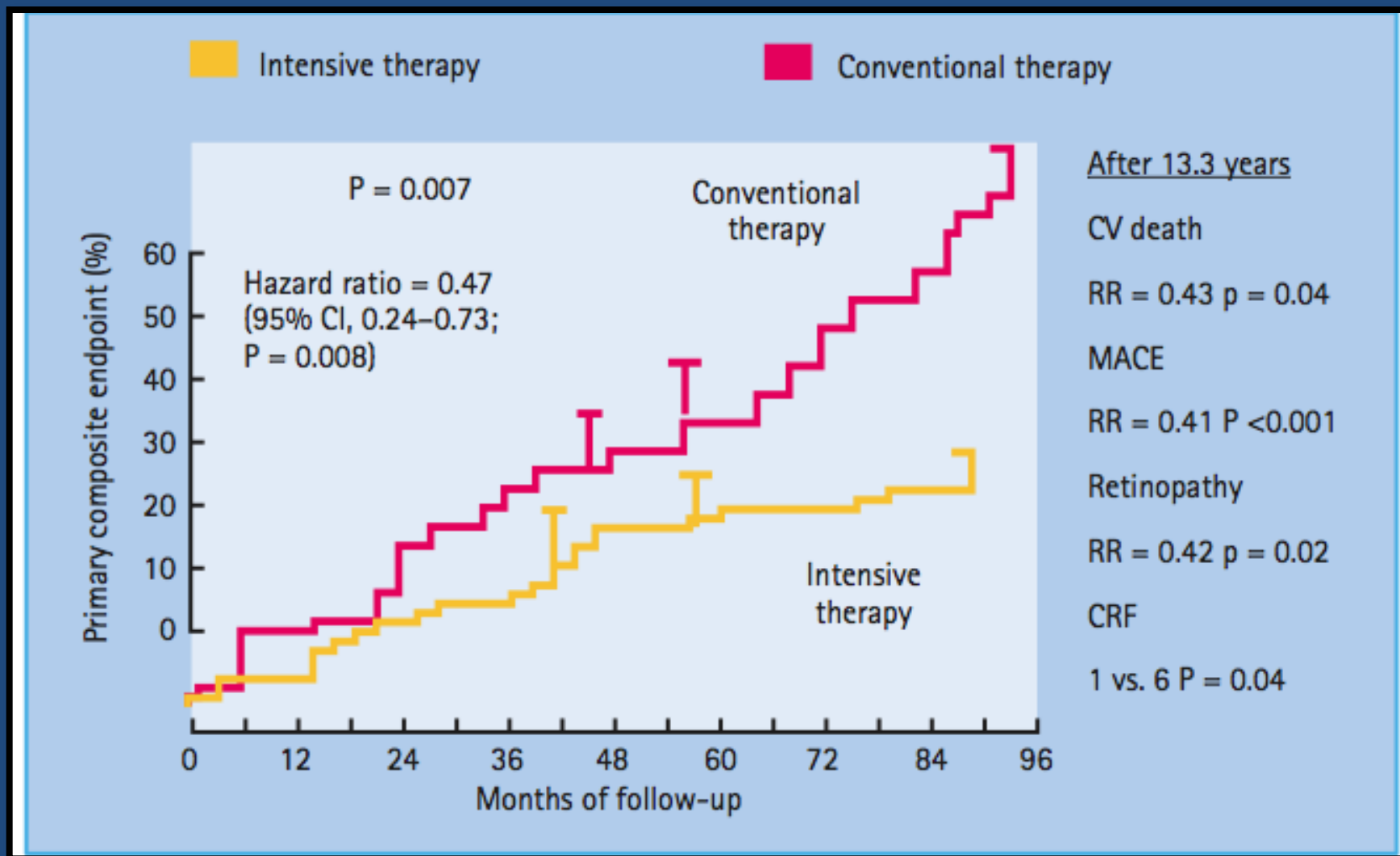


Fig 40.18: Effects of improved multiple risk factor intervention on mortality & cardiovascular events in diabetes



Foot problems in patients with diabetes

Diabetic foot problems commonest causes of hospital admission amongst patients with diabetes

50% of older people with diabetes have risk factors for foot problems

85% of lower limb amputations preceded by foot ulcers

Screening should be at least once a year

Risk factors present: podiatry & instruction in self-foot care

Most ulcers heal if pressure removed, arterial circulation sufficient & infection managed

Warm unilateral swelling without ulceration: Charcot neuropathy unless proved otherwise



Table 44.3 Key components of the diabetic foot examination.

Inspection

Evidence of past/present ulcers?

Foot shape?

- Prominent metatarsal heads/claw toes
- Hallux valgus
- Muscle wasting
- Charcot deformity

Dermatologic?

- Callus
- Erythema
- Sweating

Neurologic

10-g monofilament at four sites on each foot + 1 of the following:

- Vibration using 128 Hz tuning fork
- Pinprick sensation
- Ankle reflexes
- Vibration perception threshold

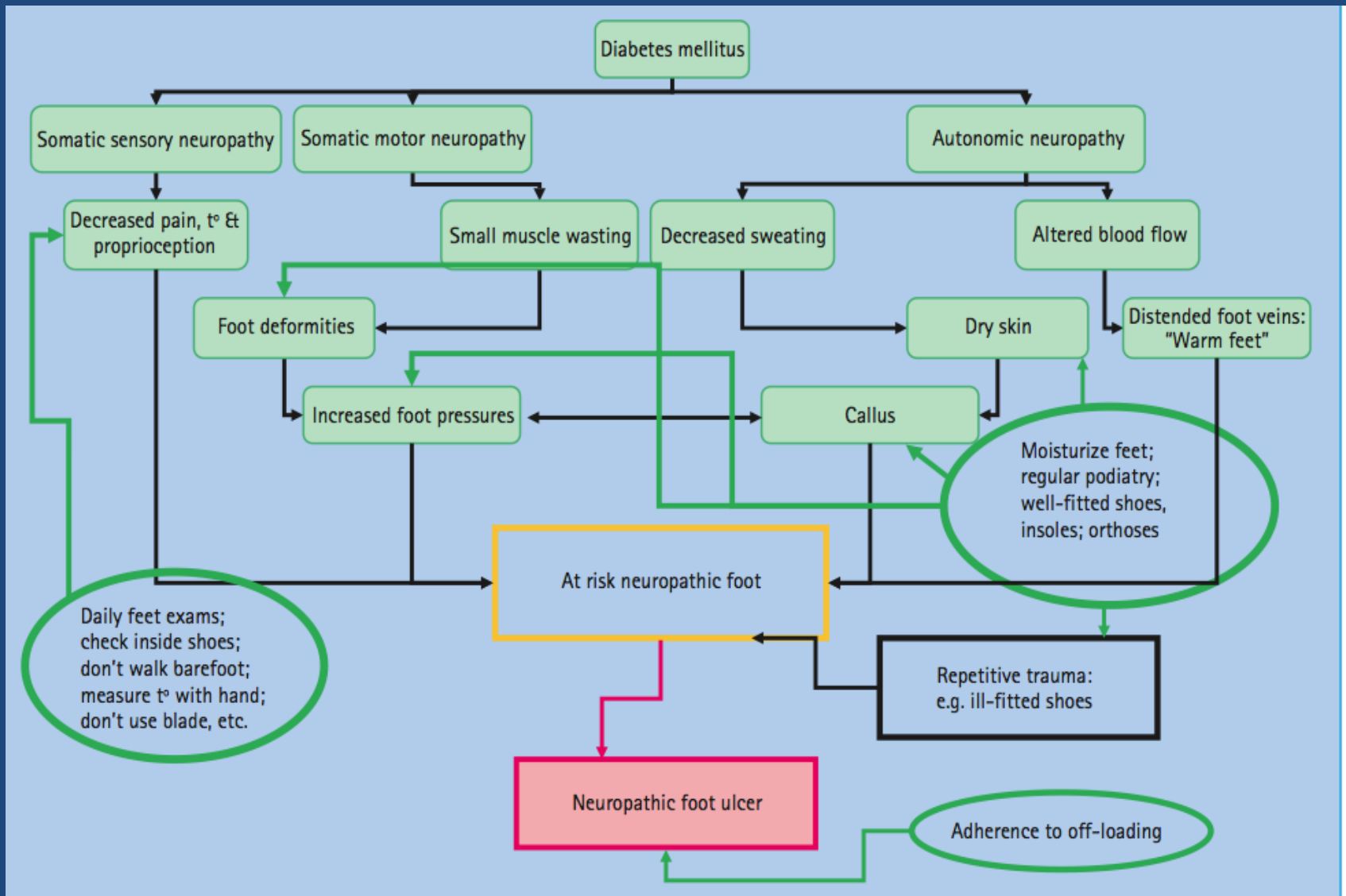
Vascular

Foot pulses

Ankle brachial index, if indicated

Textbook of Diabetes 4e(eds Holt & Cockram), 2010

Fig 44.3: The potential for education and self-care in prevention of neuropathic foot ulcers





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Treatment of ulcers:

Offloading	
Dressings:	Protect from local trauma Reduce infection risk & optimise wound environment (moist)
Prevent & treat infection	Debridement & callus removed Predominant neuropathic ulcer, not infected, close observation
	Clinical signs of infection: Amoxicillin - Clavulanate, Clindamycin
	Ischaemic component: probably antibiotics

Case Studies

Case Study (1)

CR 57 year old male. T2DM 13 years. Nonsmoker. Strong family history of T2DM & early CHD.

Gliclazide 160mg bd. Metformin 850mg tid, Pioglitazone 45mg

Inhibace plus, Simvastatin 80mg/day, Aspirin 75mg/day

(has been on all the above medications for over a year)

BMI = 31 kg/m², 106kg,

waist circumference 105cm,

BP: 142-154/88-94

HbA_{1c}

68 mmol/mol, 8.4%

Lipids:

Total cholesterol 5.3mmol/l,
LDL cholesterol 3.4mmol/l

HDL cholesterol 0.8mmol/l
Triglyceride 3.9 mmol/l