

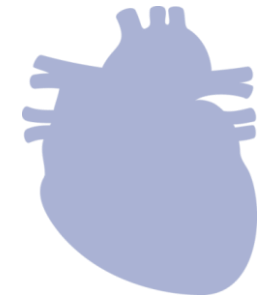


The Revolution in Cholesterol Management: Putting **REPATHA** into practice

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High unmet need: burden of CVD & LDL-C in CVD



IHD is on the top of leading causes of death in Iran With **29.9%** increase since 2009¹



Recurrent CV events occur at a high frequency (~**1.7 times** higher risk within first year) after the index event, lead to marked mortality & morbidity



Prevalence of **high LDL-C** is more than **96%** in patients with CVD, with more than **50%** of cases not report any usage of **LLT**.

Tehran Lipid and Glucose Study phase 5; 2011- 2014



A Substantial Percentage of **CHD (1/3)** and **ACS (1/4)** Patients Do **Not** Achieve LDL-C < **70** mg/dL Despite **LLT**
DYSIS II Study

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Cardiovascular

PCSK9 Inhibitors

- **Proprotein convertase subtilisin/kexin type 9 (PCSK9)** is a convertase protein which **binds to LDL-R** and renders it **nonfunctional**. So, **inhibition** of **PCSK9 upregulates LDL-R** and **increases the clearance of LDL** from plasma.
- In patients who cannot tolerate statins, PCSK9 inhibitors have been shown to be more effective than ezetimibe in terms of lowering LDL plasma levels.
- These agents improved all-cause mortality but not cardiovascular death or MI in short-term follow-up; however, their long-term impact on cardiovascular out- comes are not clear yet.
- PCSK9 inhibitors have been approved for the treatment of **statin-intolerant patients and as an adjunctive agent in FH**.

PCSK9i (Evolocumab) is a *Fully Human* Monoclonal Antibody Against PCSK9 and Blocks PCSK9/LDL-R Interaction



Chan JC et al. Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A. 2009;106:9820-9825.

Repatha approved indications

REPATHA is a PCSK9 (proprotein convertase subtilisin kexin type 9) inhibitor indicated:

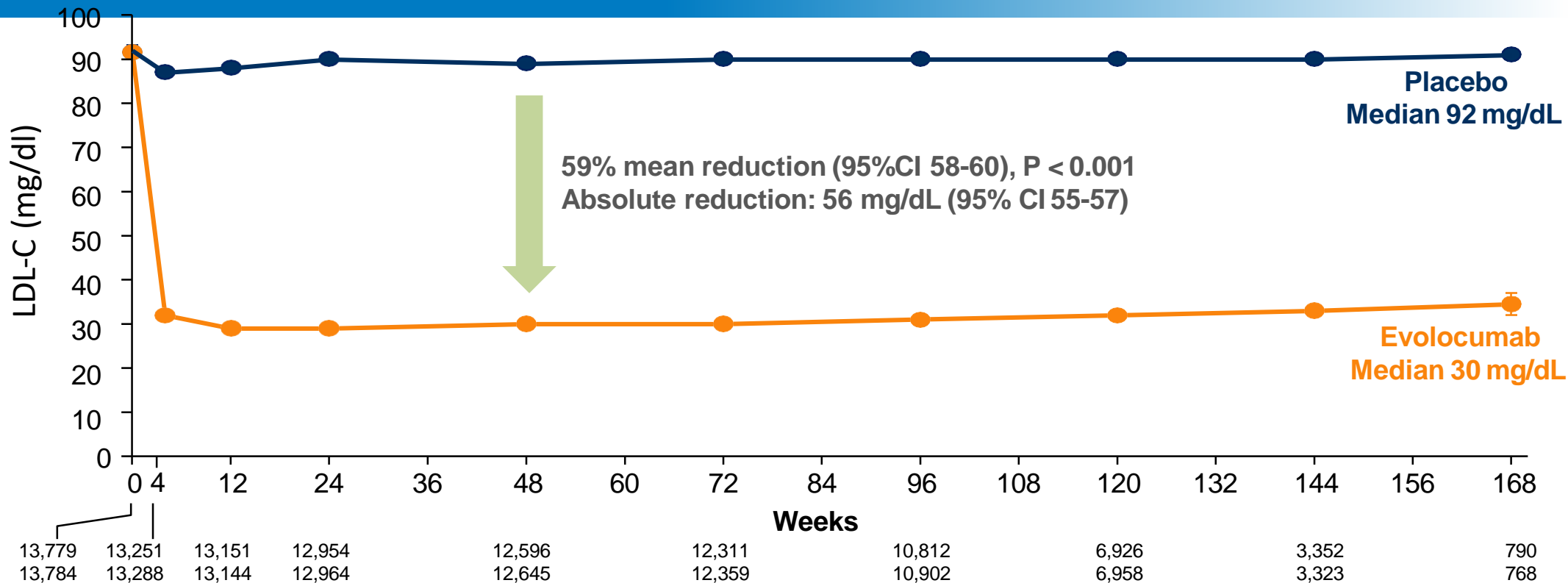
- in adults with established **cardiovascular disease (CVD)** to reduce the risk of myocardial infarction, stroke, and coronary revascularization
- as an adjunct to diet, alone or in combination with other low-density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-C)-lowering therapies, in adults with primary hyperlipidemia, including **heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HeFH)**, to reduce LDL-C
- as an adjunct to diet and other LDL-C-lowering therapies in pediatric patients **aged 10 years and older** with HeFH, to reduce LDL-C
- as an adjunct to other LDL-C-lowering therapies in adults and pediatric patients aged 10 years and older with **homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia (HoFH)**, to reduce LDL-C

With Regard to Early, Intensive, and Sustained LDL-C Lowering, What Has Evolocumab Demonstrated?

Intensive and Sustained LDL-C Reduction Was Demonstrated Over Time in FOURIER

Median LDL-C Levels Over Time: All Patients

42% ≤ 25 mg/dL vs < 0.1% in placebo



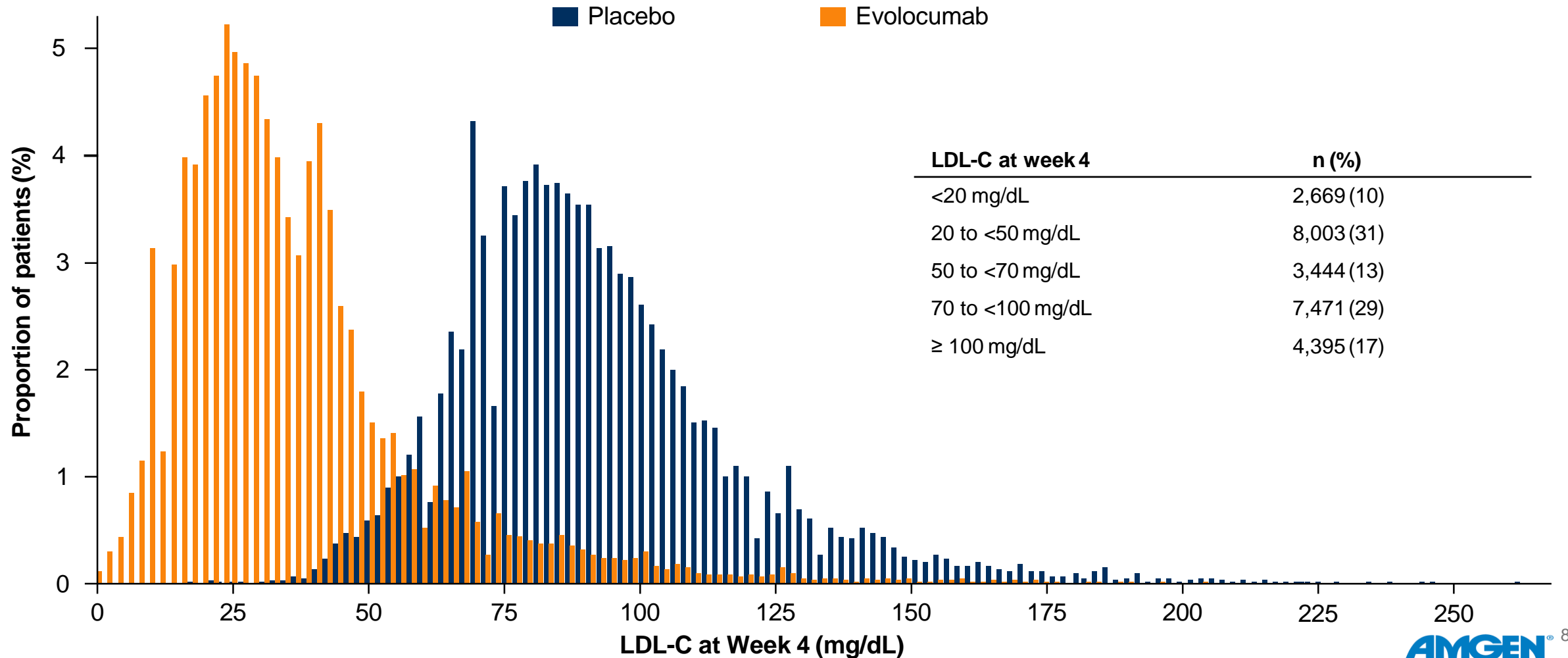
LDL-C was significantly reduced in the evolocumab group (median: 30 mg/dL) including 42% who achieved levels ≤ 25 mg/dL vs < 0.1% in the placebo group

LDL-C achieved at week 4 remained stable through week 168 for each of the very low achieved LDL-C categories

Data shown are median values with 95% confidence intervals in the two arms; ITT. LDL-C, low-density lipoprotein cholesterol
Sabatine MS, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2017;376:1713-1722.



Distribution of Achieved LDL-C Level At Week 4 For Evolocumab and Placebo Groups



LDL-C = low-density lipoprotein cholesterol
 n = 12,969 placebo; n = 13,013 evolocumab

Giugliano RP, et al. *Lancet*. [published online ahead of print August 28, 2017]. doi: 10.1016/ S0140-6736(17)32290-0

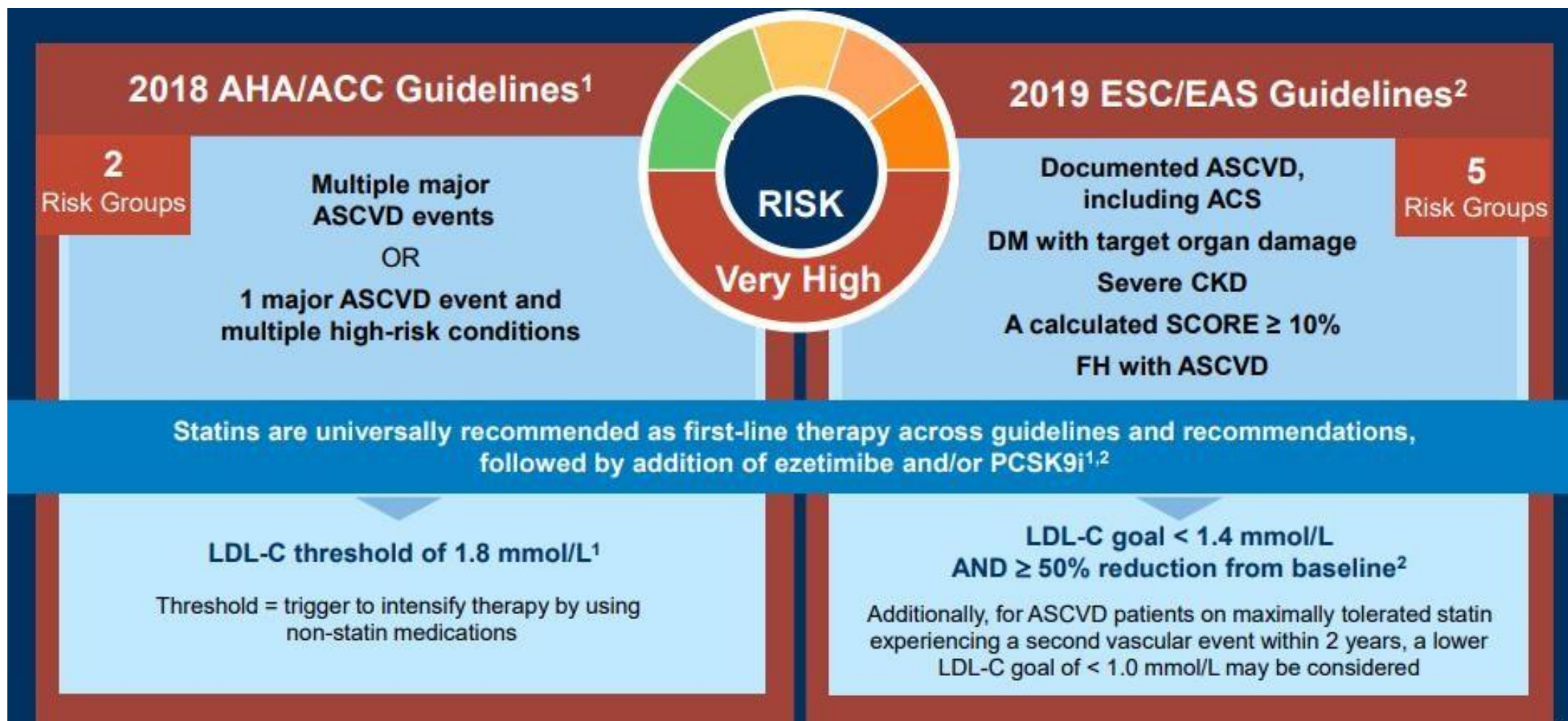
Guidelines and Recommendations Worldwide Advise LDL-C Lowering Based on CV Risk

ACC/AHA Guideline 2018 ^{1,2}	ESC/EAS Guidelines 2019 ³
<p>secondary prevention:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASCVD (High-intensity statin (LDL-C reduction ≥50%)) • Very high risk ASCVD (High-intensity statin (LDL-C < 70 mg/dL)) <p>Primary prevention</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary elevations of LDL-C ≥ 190 mg/dL (High-intensity statin (LDL-C reduction ≥50%)) • Low risk (life style modification) • Moderate risk (moderate intensity statin to reduce LDL-C by 30% - 49%) • High risk (high dose statin to reduce LDL-C ≥50%) 	<p>4 risk groups (LDL-C Goals)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very High (LDL-C < 55 mg/dL) • High (LDL-C level < 70 mg/dL) • Moderate (LDL-C < 100 mg/dL) • Low (LDL-C < 116 mg/dL)
<p>High (≥ 50% LDL-C ↓) or moderate (30-50% LDL-C ↓) intensity statin therapy</p>	<p>Absolute value for LDL-C goal</p>
<p>Target intensity of statin therapy and LDL-C reduction (percent reduction)</p>	<p>Target LDL-C levels (absolute value)</p>

Statins are universally recommended as first line therapy across guidelines and recommendations (and commonly ezetimibe as second line therapy)

1. Stone NJ, et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol*. 2014;63:2889-2934. 2. Keaney JF Jr, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2014;370:275-278. 3. Catapano AL, et al. *Atherosclerosis*. 2016;253:281-344. 4. Jacobson TA, et al. *J Clin Lipidol*. 2015;9:129-169.

PCSK9 Inhibitors Are Recommended on Top of Statin ± Ezetimibe Therapy Across Global Guidelines and Recommendations



Recommendations for pharmacological low-density lipoprotein cholesterol lowering

Recommendations

It is recommended that a high-intensity statin is prescribed up to the highest tolerated dose to reach the goals^c set for the specific level of risk.

If the goals^c are not achieved with the maximum tolerated dose of statin, combination with ezetimibe is recommended.

For primary prevention, patients at very-high risk, but without FH, if the LDL-C goal is not achieved on a maximum tolerated dose of statin and ezetimibe, a combination with a PCSK9 inhibitor may be considered.

For secondary prevention, patients at very-high risk not achieving their goal^c on a maximum tolerated dose of statin and ezetimibe, a combination with a PCSK9 inhibitor is recommended.

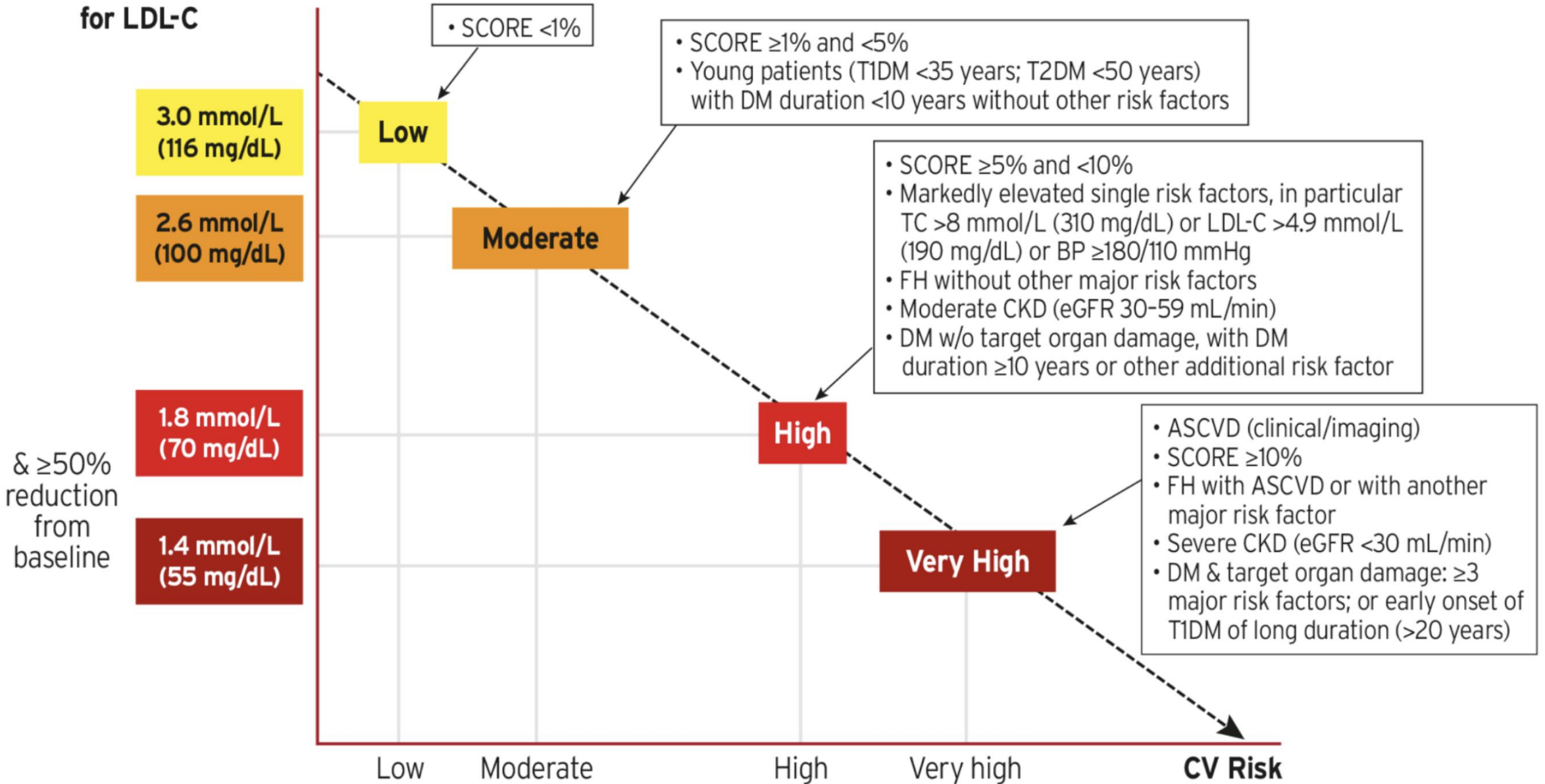
For very-high-risk FH patients (that is, with ASCVD or with another major risk factor) who do not achieve their goal^c on a maximum tolerated dose of statin and ezetimibe, a combination with a PCSK9 inhibitor is recommended.

If a statin-based regimen is not tolerated at any dosage (even after re-challenge), ezetimibe should be considered.

If a statin-based regimen is not tolerated at any dosage (even after re-challenge), a PCSK9 inhibitor added to ezetimibe may also be considered.

If the goal^c is not achieved, statin combination with a bile acid sequestrant may be considered.

Treatment goal for LDL-C



UPGRADES

2016

Lipid analyses for CVD risk estimation

ApoB should be considered as an alternative risk marker whenever available, especially in individuals with high TG.

Pharmacological LDL-C lowering

If the LDL goal is not reached, stain combination with a cholesterol absorption inhibitor should be considered.

Pharmacological LDL-C lowering

In patients at very-high risk, with persistent high LDL-C despite treatment with maximal tolerated statin dose, in combination with ezetimibe or in patients with statin intolerance, a **PCSK9** inhibitor may be considered.

Drug treatments of hypertriglyceridemia

Statin treatment may be considered as the first drug of choice for reducing CVD risk in high-risk individuals with hypertriglyceridemia.

Treatment of patients with heterozygous FH

Treatment should be considered to aim at reaching an LDL-C <2.6 mmol/L (<100 mg/dL) or in the presence of CVD <1.8 mmol/L (<70 mg/dL). If targets cannot be reached, maximal reduction of LDL-C should be considered using appropriate drug combinations.

Treatment of patients with heterozygous FH

Treatment with a **PCSK9** antibody should be considered in FH patients with CVD or with other factors putting them at very-high risk for CHD, such as other CV risk factors, family history, high Lp(a), or statin intolerance.

2019

Lipid analyses for CVD risk estimation

ApoB analysis is recommended for risk assessment, particularly in people with high TG, DM, obesity or metabolic syndrome, or very low LDL-C. It can be used as an alternative to LDL-C, if available, as the primary measurement for screening, diagnosis, and management, and may be preferred over non-HDL-C in people with high TG, DM, obesity, or very low LDL-C.

Pharmacological LDL-C lowering

If the goals are not achieved with the maximum tolerated dose of statin, combination with ezetimibe is recommended.

Pharmacological LDL-C lowering

For secondary prevention, patients at very-high risk not achieving their goal on a maximum tolerated dose of statin and ezetimibe, a combination with a **PCSK9** inhibitor is recommended.

For very-high-risk FH patients (that is, with ASCVD or with another major risk factor) who do not achieve their goals on a maximum tolerated dose of statin and ezetimibe, a combination with a **PCSK9** inhibitor is recommended.

Drug treatments of hypertriglyceridemia

Statin treatment is recommended as the first drug of choke for reducing CVD risk in high-risk individuals with hypertriglyceridemia [TG >23 mmol/L (200 mg/dL)].

Treatment of patients with heterozygous FH

For FH patients with ASCVD who are at very-high risk, treatment to achieve at least a 50% reduction from baseline and an LDL-C <1.4 mmol/L (<55 mg/dL) is recommended. If goals cannot be achieved, a drug combination is recommended.

Treatment of patients with heterozygous FH

Treatment with a **PCSK9** inhibitor is recommended in very-high-risk FH patients if the treatment goal is not achieved on maximal tolerated statin plus ezetimibe.

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%

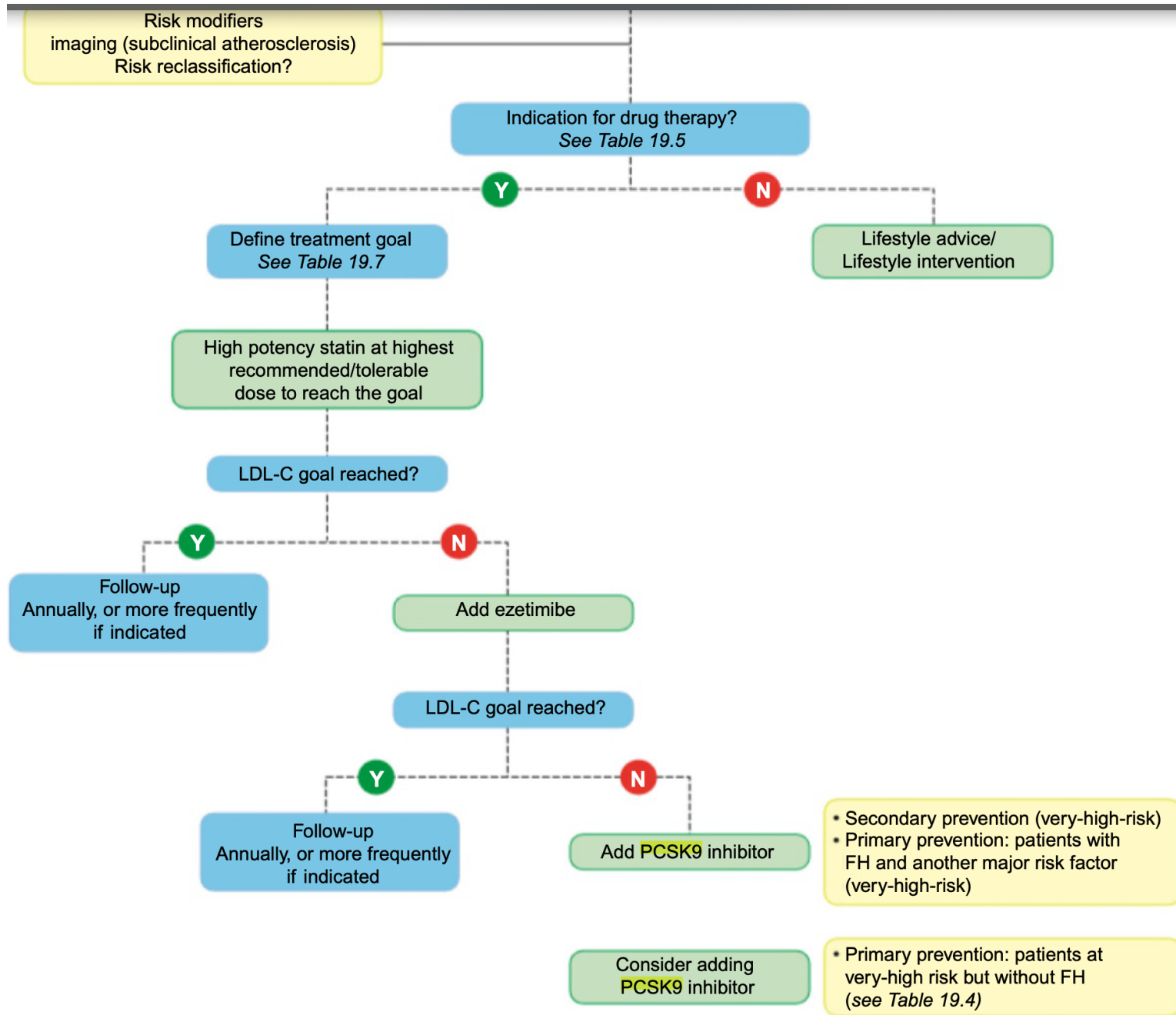


FIG. 19.4 Treatment Algorithm (ESC 2019).

TABLE 19.13

Recommendations for the Management of Dyslipidemia With Lipid-Lowering Drugs in Diabetic Patients (ESC 2019)

Recommendations	Class	Level
<i>Targets</i>		
In patients with T2DM at moderate CV risk, an LDL-C target of <2.5 mmol/L (<100 mg/dL) is recommended. ²¹⁰⁻²¹²	I	A
In patients with T2DM at high CV risk, an LDL-C target of <1.8 mmol/L (<70 mg/dL) or an LDL-C reduction of at least 50% is recommended. ²¹⁰⁻²¹²	I	A
In patients with T2DM at very high CV risk, an LDL-C target of <1.4 mmol/dL (<55 mg/dL) or an LDL-C reduction of at least 50% is recommended. ^{200,201,210}	I	B
In patients with T2DM, a secondary goal of a non-HDL-C target of <22 mmol/L (<85 mg/dL) in very high CV-risk patients, and <2.6 mmol/L (<100 mg/dL) in high CV-risk patients, is recommended. ^{213,214}	I	B
<i>Treatment</i>		
Statins are recommended as the first-choice lipid-lowering treatment in patients with DM and high LDL-C levels: administration of statins is defined based on the CV risk profile of the patient and the recommended LDL-C (or non-HDL-C) target levels. ¹⁸⁷	I	A
If the target LDL-C is not reached, combination therapy with ezetimibe is recommended. ^{200,201}	I	B
In patients at very high CV risk, with persistent high LDL-C despite treatment with a maximum tolerated statin dose, in combination with ezetimibe, or in patients with statin intolerance a PCSK9 inhibitor is recommended. ²⁰³⁻²⁰⁶	I	A
Lifestyle intervention (with a focus on weight reduction, and decreased consumption of fast-absorbed carbohydrates and alcohol) and fibrates should be considered in patients with low HDL-C and high triglyceride levels. ^{191,207}	IIa	B
Intensification of statin therapy should be considered before the introduction of combination therapy.	IIa	C
Statins should be considered in patients with T1DM at high CV risk, irrespective of the baseline LDL-C level. ^{187,215}	IIa	A
Statins may be considered in asymptomatic patients with T1DM beyond the age of 30 years.	IIb	C
Statins are not recommended in women of childbearing potential. ^{189,190}	III	A

Intervention Strategies as a Function of Total Cardiovascular Risk and Untreated Low-Density Lipoprotein Cholesterol Levels

		UNTREATED LDL-C LEVELS					
		<1.4 mmol/L (55 mg/dL)	1.4 to <1.8 mmol/L (55 to <70 mg/dL)	1.8 to <2.6 mmol/L (70 to <100 mg/dL)	2.6 to <3.0 mmol/L (100 to <116 mg/dL)	3.0 to <4.9 mmol/L (116 to <190 mg/dL)	>4.9 mmol/L (≥190 mg/dL)
Primary prevention	<1 low-risk	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle intervention. Consider adding drug if uncontrolled	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention
	Class/Level	I/C	I/C	I/C	I/C	IIa/A	IIa/A
	≥1 to <5 or moderate risk (see Table 19.4)	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle intervention, consider adding drug if uncontrolled	Lifestyle intervention, consider adding drug if uncontrolled	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention
	Class/Level	I/C	I/C	IIa/A	IIa/A	IIa/A	IIa/A
	≥5 to <10 or high-risk (see Table 19.4)	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle intervention, consider adding drug if uncontrolled	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention
	Class/Level	IIa/A	IIa/A	IIa/A	I/A	I/A	I/A
	≥10, or at very-high risk due to a risk condition (see Table 19.4)	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle intervention, consider adding drug if uncontrolled	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention
	Class/Level	IIa/B	IIa/A	IIa/A	I/A	I/A	I/A
Secondary prevention	Very-high-risk	Lifestyle intervention, consider adding drug if uncontrolled	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention

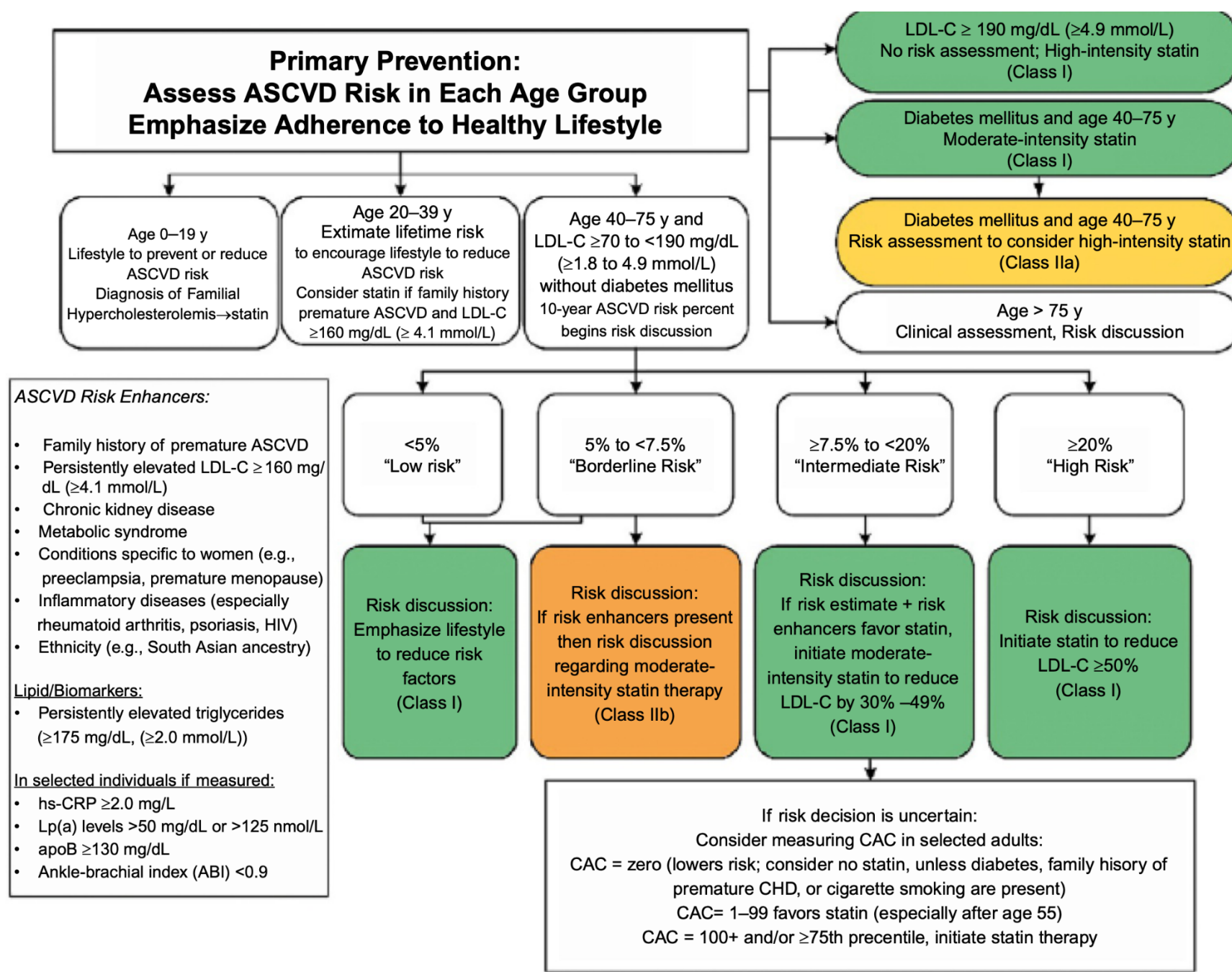


FIG. 19.5 Primary prevention (AHA 2019).

15.9%
Intermediate**Current 10-Year
ASCVD Risk****Lifetime ASCVD Risk: **50%**Optimal ASCVD Risk: **5.2%****Current Age** ⓘ *

59

Age must be between 20-79

Sex *

✓ Male

Female

Race *

✓ White

African American

Other

Systolic Blood Pressure (mm Hg) *

150

Value must be between 90-200

Diastolic Blood Pressure (mm Hg) *

90

Value must be between 60-130

Total Cholesterol (mg/dL) *

240

Value must be between 130 - 320

HDL Cholesterol (mg/dL) *

35

Value must be between 20 - 100

LDL Cholesterol (mg/dL) ⓘ ○

150

Value must be between 30-300

History of Diabetes? *

Yes

✓ No

Smoker? ⓘ *

Current ⓘ

Former ⓘ

✓ Never ⓘ

On Hypertension Treatment? *

Yes

✓ No

On a Statin? ⓘ ○

Yes

✓ No

On Aspirin Therapy? ⓘ ○

Yes

No

<p>Very-high risk</p>	<p>People with any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Documented <u>ASCVD</u>, either clinical or unequivocal on imaging. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Documented <u>ASCVD</u> includes previous <u>ACS</u> (MI or unstable angina), stable angina, coronary revascularisation (PCI, <u>CABG</u> and other arterial revascularization procedures), stroke and <u>TIA</u>, and peripheral arterial disease. Unequivocally documented <u>ASCVD</u> on imaging includes those findings that are known to be predictive of clinical events, such as significant plaque on coronary angiography or <u>CT scan</u> (multivessel coronary disease with two major epicardial arteries having >50% stenosis) or on carotid ultrasound. <u>DM</u> with target organ damage*, ≥3 major risk factors or early onset of <u>T1DM</u> of long duration (>20 years). Severe <u>CKD</u> (eGFR <30 mL/min/1.73 m²). A calculated <u>SCORE</u> ≥10% for 10-year risk of fatal <u>CVD</u>. <u>FH</u> with <u>ASCVD</u> or with another major risk factor.
<p>High-risk</p>	<p>People with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Markedly elevated single risk factors, in particular <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>TC</u> >8 mmol/L (>310 mg/dL), <u>LDL-C</u> >4.9 mmol/L (>190 mg/dL), or <u>BP</u> ≥180/110 mmHg. Patients with <u>FH</u> without other major risk factors. Patients with <u>DM</u> without target organ damage*, with <u>DM</u> duration ≥10 years or other additional risk factors. Moderate <u>CKD</u> (eGFR 30–59 mL/min/1.73 m²). A calculated <u>SCORE</u> ≥5% and <10% for 10-year risk of fatal <u>CVD</u>.
<p>Moderate-risk</p>	<p>Young patients (<u>T1DM</u> <35 years; <u>T2DM</u> <50 years) with <u>DM</u> duration <10 years, without other risk factors. Calculated <u>SCORE</u> ≥1% and <5% for 10-year risk of fatal <u>CVD</u>.</p>

Recommendations for cardiovascular imaging for risk assessment of atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease

Recommendations

Class^a

Arterial (carotid and/or femoral) plaque burden on arterial ultrasonography should be considered as a risk modifier in individuals at low or moderate risk.

IIa

CAC score assessment with CT may be considered as a risk modifier in the CV risk assessment of asymptomatic individuals at low or moderate risk.

IIb



Total CV risk (SCORE) %	<1.4 mmol/L (55 mg/dL)	1.4 to <1.8 mmol/L (55 to <70 mg/dL)	1.8 to <2.6 mmol/L (70 to <100 mg/dL)	2.6 to <3.0 mmol/L (100 to <116 mg/dL)	3.0 to <4.9 mmol/L (116 to <190 mg/dL)	≥4.9 mmol/L (≥ 190 mg/dL)
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Primary Prevention

<1 low-risk	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle intervention, consider adding drug if uncontrolled	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention
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Class^a/Level^b I/C I/C I/C I/C Ila/A Ila/A

≥1 to <5, or moderate risk (see Table 1)	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle intervention, consider adding drug if uncontrolled	Lifestyle intervention, consider adding drug if uncontrolled	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention
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Class^a/Level^b I/C I/C Ila/A Ila/A Ila/A Ila/A

Total CV risk (SCORE) %	Untreated LDL-C levels					
	<1.4 mmol/L (55 mg/dL)	1.4 to <1.8 mmol/L (55 to <70 mg/dL)	1.8 to <2.6 mmol/L (70 to <100 mg/dL)	2.6 to <3.0 mmol/L (100 to <116 mg/dL)	3.0 to <4.9 mmol/L (116 to <190 mg/dL)	≥4.9 mmol/L (≥ 190 mg/dL)
≥5 to <10, or high-risk (see Table 1)	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle intervention, consider adding drug if uncontrolled	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention
Class ^a /Level ^b	IIa/A	IIa/A	IIa/A	I/A	I/A	I/A
≥10, or at very-high risk due to a risk condition (see Table 1)	Lifestyle advice	Lifestyle intervention, consider adding drug if uncontrolled	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention	Lifestyle intervention and concomitant drug intervention
Class ^a /Level ^b	IIa/B	IIa/A	I/A	I/A	I/A	I/A

Recommendations for lipid-lowering therapy in very-high-risk patients with acute coronary syndromes

Recommendations

Class^a

In all ACS patients without any contra-indication or definite history of intolerance, it is recommended to initiate or continue high dose statin as early as possible, regardless of initial LDL-C values.

I

Lipid levels should be re-evaluated 4–6 weeks after ACS to determine whether a reduction of $\geq 50\%$ from baseline and goal levels of LDL-C < 1.4 mmol/L (< 55 mg/dL) have been achieved. Safety issues need to be assessed at this time and statin treatment doses adapted accordingly.

IIa

If the LDL-C goal is not achieved after 4–6 weeks with the maximally tolerated statin dose, combination with ezetimibe is recommended.

I

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

In patients with confirmed statin intolerance or in patients in whom a statin is contra-indicated, ezetimibe should be considered.

IIa

For patients who present with an ACS and whose LDL-C levels are not at goal despite already taking a maximally tolerated statin dose and ezetimibe, adding a PCSK9 inhibitor early after the event (if possible, during hospitalization for the ACS event) should be considered.

IIa

Recommendations for the treatment of dyslipidaemias in diabetes

Recommendations

Class^a

In patients with T2DM at very-high risk^c, an LDL-C reduction of $\geq 50\%$ from baseline and LDL-C goal of < 1.4 mmol/L (< 55 mg/dL) is recommended.

I

In patients with T2DM at high-risk^c an LDL-C reduction of $\geq 50\%$ from baseline and an LDL-C goal of < 1.8 mmol/L (< 70 mg/dL) is recommended.

I

Statins are recommended in patients with T1DM who are at high or very-high risk^c.

I

Intensification of statin therapy should be considered before the introduction of combination therapy.

IIa

If the goal is not reached, statin combination with a ezetimibe should be considered.

IIa

Statin therapy is not recommended in pre-menopausal patients with diabetes who are considering pregnancy or not using adequate contraception.

III

Statin therapy may be considered in both T1DM and T2DM patients aged ≤ 30 years with evidence of end organ damage and/or LDL-C > 2.5 mmol/L as long as pregnancy is not being planned.

IIb

Box 8 Summary of dyslipidaemia in metabolic syndrome and type 2 diabetes

Dyslipidaemia represents a cluster of lipid and lipoprotein abnormalities including elevation of both fasting and postprandial TG, ApoB, small dense LDL and low HDL-C and ApoA1.

Non-HDL-C or ApoB are good markers of TRLs and remnants and are a secondary objective of therapy. Non-HDL-C <2.6 mmol/L (<100 mg/dL) and ApoB < 80 mg/dL are desirable in those at high-risk, and non-HDL-C <2.2 mmol/L (<85 mg/dL) and ApoB<65 mg/dL in those at very-high risk.

For those at very-high risk with recurrent ASCVD events, a goal of non-HDL-C <1.8 mmol/L (<70 mg/dL) and ApoB <55 mg/dL can be considered.

Atherogenic dyslipidaemia is one of the major risk factors for CVD in people with type 2 diabetes and in people with abdominal obesity and insulin resistance or impaired glucose tolerance.

Table 3 Treatment targets and goals for cardiovascular disease prevention

Smoking	No exposure to tobacco in any form.
Diet	Healthy diet low in saturated fat with a focus on whole grain products, vegetables, fruit and fish.
Physical activity	3.5–7 hours moderately vigorous physical activity per week or 30–60 min most days.
Body weight	<u>BMI</u> 20–25 kg/m ² , waist circumference <94 cm (men) and <80 cm (women).
Blood pressure	<140/90 mmHg ^a
<u>LDL-C</u>	Very-high risk in primary or secondary prevention: therapeutic regimen that achieves ≥50% <u>LDL-C</u> reduction from baseline ^b and an <u>LDL-C</u> goal of <1.4 mmol/L (<55 mg/dL). No current statin use: this is likely to require high-intensity <u>LDL</u> -lowering therapy. Current <u>LDL</u> -lowering treatment: an increased treatment intensity is required. High-risk: A therapeutic regimen that achieves ≥50% <u>LDL-C</u> reduction from baseline ^b and an <u>LDL-C</u> goal of <1.8 mmol/L (<70 mg/dL). Moderate-risk: A goal of <2.6 mmol/L (<100 mg/dL). Low-risk: A goal of <3.0 mmol/L (<116 mg/dL)
<u>Non-HDL-C</u>	<u>Non-HDL-C</u> secondary goals are <2.2, 2.6 and 3.4 mmol/L (<85, 100 and 130 mg/dL) for very high-, high- and moderate-risk people, respectively.
Apolipoprotein B	<u>ApoB</u> secondary goals are <65, 80 and 100 mg/dL for very high-, high- and moderate-risk people, respectively.
Triglycerides	No goal but <1.7 mmol/L (<150 mg/dL) indicates lower risk and higher levels indicate a need to look for other risk factors.

Extensive Clinical Experience

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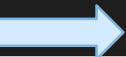
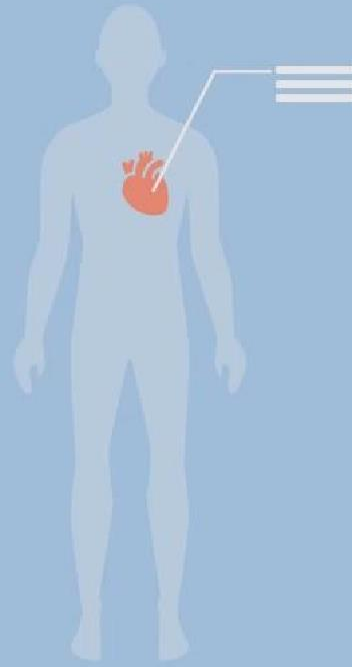
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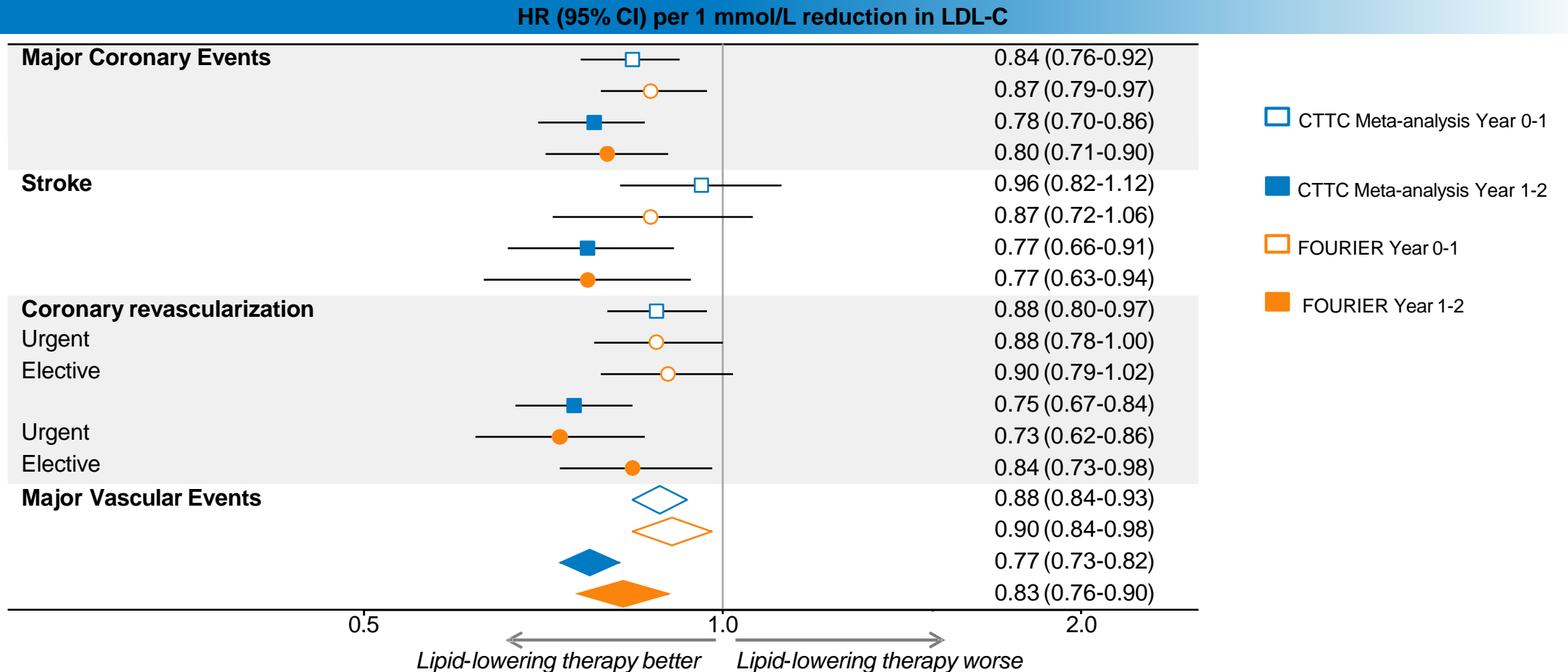
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What CV Outcomes Have Been Demonstrated With Evolocumab and Which Data Are Available in Patients With Recent MI?

Evolocumab Outcomes Trial Analysis was in line with CTTC Meta-Analysis



The results of the evolocumab outcomes trial was in line with what was seen with statins in the CTTC meta-analysis, based on the study duration

Clinical Benefit of Evolocumab by Severity and Extent of Coronary Artery Disease: An Analysis from FOURIER

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What Long-Term Safety Data Are Available for Evolocumab?

In FOURIER, Evolocumab Exhibited a Similar Safety Profile to That of Placebo Throughout the Duration of the Trial (Median 2.2 Years)

Adverse events, patients (%)	Evolocumab + statin (N = 13,769)	Placebo + statin (N = 13,756)
Any	10,664 (77.4)	10,644 (77.4)
Serious	3,410 (24.8)	3,404 (24.7)
Treatment related and led to discontinuation of study drug	226 (1.6)	201 (1.5)
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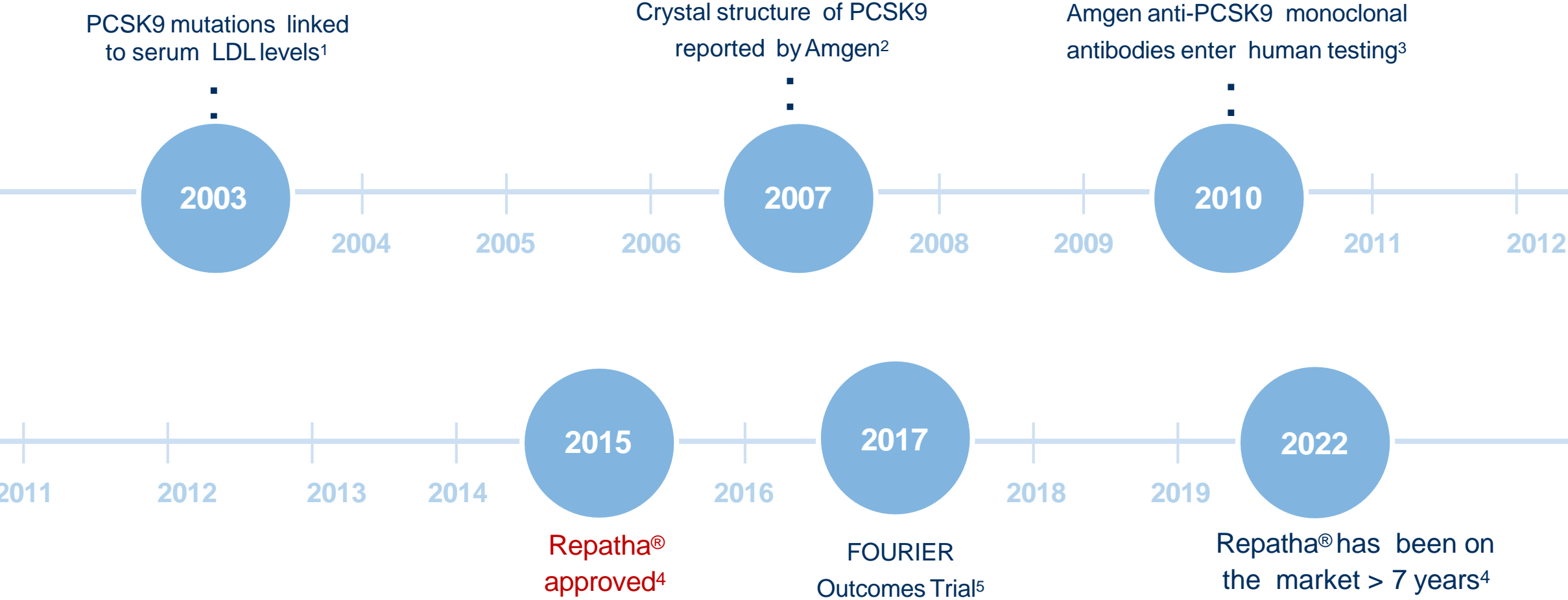
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Robust Experience With Evolocumab


























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	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
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CONSISTENT LDL-C EFFECT	 Combination Therapy LAPLACE (N = 631)		 Combination Therapy LAPLACE-2 (N = 2,067)						
	 Statin Intolerance GAUSS (N = 160)		 Statin Intolerance GAUSS-2 (N = 307)						
	 Monotherapy MENDEL (N = 411)		 Statin Intolerance GAUSS-3 (N = 511)	 Lipoprotein Kinetics FLOREY (N = 89)	 Statin Intolerance GAUSS-4 (N = 61)				
			Monotherapy MENDEL-2 (N = 615)						
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FAMILIAL HYPERCHOLESTEROLEMIA	 Heterozygous FH RUTHERFORD (N = 168)	 Heterozygous and Homozygous FH TAUSSIG (N = 300)	 Heterozygous FH RUTHERFORD-2 (N = 331)		Apheresis DeLAVAL (N = 39)				
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						HIV BEIJERINCK (N = 467)			

Year reflects start of study.

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familial hypercholesterolaemia

- Has **two phenotype**, heterozygous and homozygous form
- **Heterozygous is a common** codominant monogenic dyslipidaemia causing premature CVD due to lifelong elevation of plasma levels of LDL-C
- If left **untreated**, HeFH individuals typically develop **early CAD before the ages of 55 and 60** years respectively.
- The risk of CHD among individuals with definite or probable HeFH is estimated to be increased at least **10-fold**.
- The prevalence of HeFH in the population is estimated to be **1/200 to 250**, translating to a total **number of cases >300,000 in Iran**.
- Only a minor fraction of these cases is identified and properly treated, average **10% worldwide**
- With the exception of HoFH, FH is generally a silent disease
- **at any given LDL-C level**, having an identified **FH mutation is associated with significantly higher cardiac risk than** an individual with the same LDL-C but no apparent pathogenic FH mutation

HeFH is clinically differentiable to HoFH

FH heterozygotes	FH homozygotes
Occur in ~ 1 in 230-500 persons worldwide ^{1,2}	Occur in ~ 1 in 300,000-1,000,000 persons worldwide ^{1,2}
One major genetic defect in LDL metabolism ^{1,2}	Two major genetic defects in LDL metabolism ^{1,2}
TC: 350 to 500 mg/dL ⁴ (9-12.9 mmol/L)	TC: > 500 to > 1,000 mg/dL ¹ (12.9-25.9 mmol/L)
LDL-C: 200–400 mg/dL ^{1,3} (5.1-10.3 mmol/L)	LDL-C: > 600 mg/dL ³ (15.5 mmol/L)
Half the number of LDLR expressed ⁴	LDLR activity severely decreased ⁴ or absent
Characterized by arcus cornealis and achilles tendon xanthomas present in <30% of cases and often develop CHD 30 to 60 years of age ^{3,5}	Characterized by tendon and cutaneous xanthomas often before age 10 years and CHD in childhood ^{3,5}
Most respond to drugs, but individual response variable	Poorly responsive to drugs; apheresis and other novel therapies often indicated

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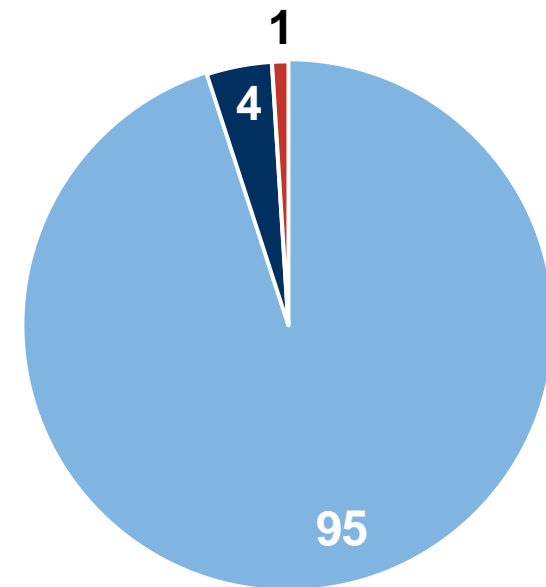
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Genetic Mutations Associated With FH

- FH is a monogenic disease caused by loss-of-function mutations in the LDLR or apoB genes, or a gain-of-function mutation in the PCSK9 gene
- More than 1000 different mutations that cause FH have been identified in LDLR.
- The different mutations cause reduced function or complete loss-of-function, the latter being associated with more severe hypercholesterolemia and CVD.

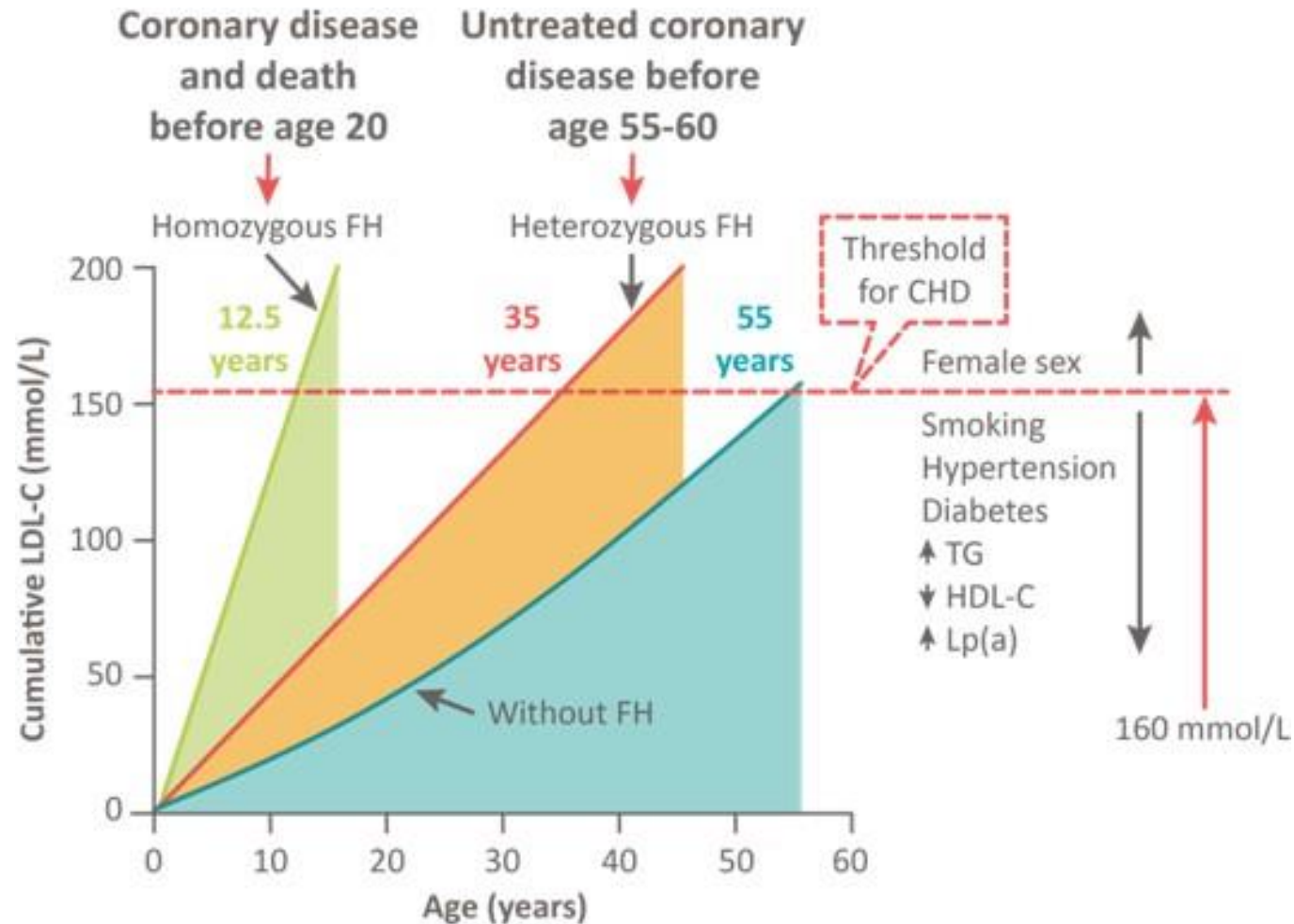
Diagnosis of FH is usually based on clinical presentation

- The diagnosis can be verified by showing causative mutations in the pathogenic genes.
- However, in most studies, the frequency of detectable mutations in patients with a clinically definite or probable HeFH is between 60% to 80%



■ LDLR ■ ApoB ■ PCSK9

Cumulative LDL-c burden determines CV risk in FH

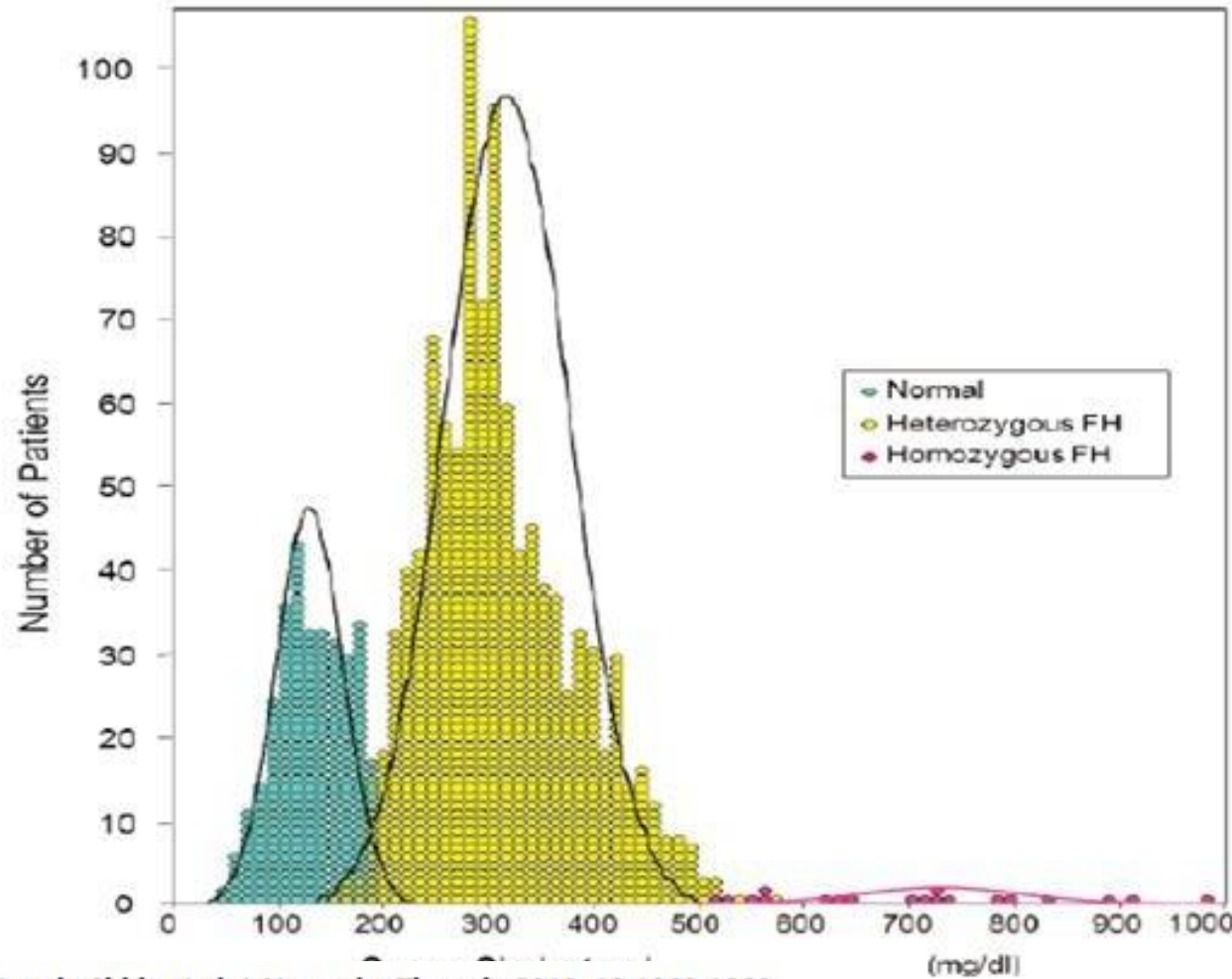


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Risk of CAD in those with Elevated LDL-c (≥ 190 mg/dl) According to FH Mutation Status

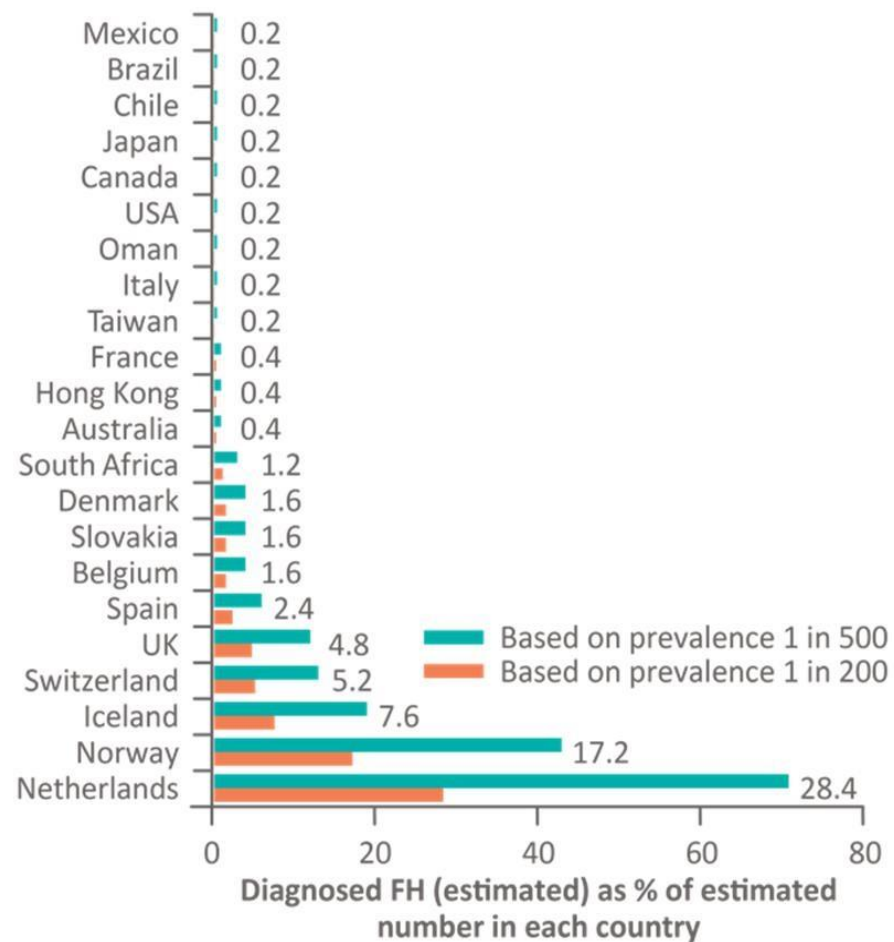
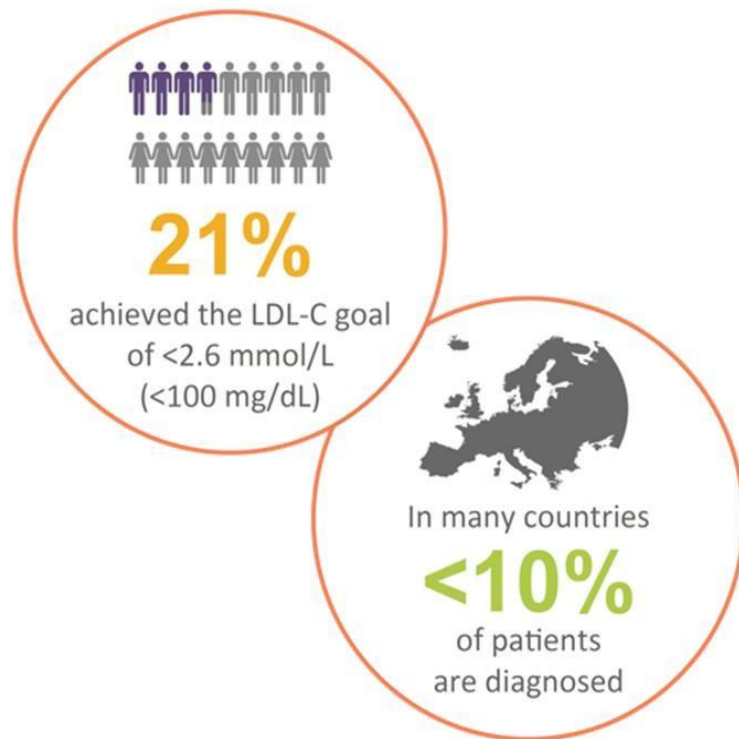
	N CAD free controls/N CAD Case	OR for CAD (95% CI)	P FH mutation+ vs. -	LDL-C adjusted OR for CAD (95%CI)	P FH mutation + vs. -
LDL-C > 190 mg/dL					
FH mutation-	1264 (422/842)	6.0 (5.2-6.9) P<0.001	0.001	1.6 (1.3-2.1) p<0.001	0.02
FH Mutation+	73 (8/65)	22.3 (10-7-53.2) P<0.001		4.2 (1.9-10.4) P<0.001	
LDL-C < 130 and FH mutation -	7485 (5175/2310)	Reference		Reference	

Broad spectrum of LDL-C levels in FH



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HeFH, under-diagnosed and under-treated



Dutch Lipid Clinic Network diagnostic criteria for HeFH

Criteria	Points
1) Family history	
First-degree relative with known premature (men aged <55 years; women <60 years) coronary or vascular disease, or first-degree relative with known LDL-C above the 95th percentile	1
First-degree relative with tendinous xanthomata and/or arcus cornealis, or children aged <18 years with LDL-C above the 95th percentile	2
2) Clinical history	
Patient with premature (men aged <55 years; women <60 years) CAD	2
Patient with premature (men aged <55 years; women <60 years) cerebral or peripheral vascular disease	1
3) Physical examination^a	
Tendinous xanthomata	6
Arcus cornealis before age 45 years	4
4) LDL-C levels (without treatment)	
LDL-C \geq 8.5 mmol/L (\geq 325 mg/dL)	8
LDL-C 6.5–8.4 mmol/L (251–325 mg/dL)	5
LDL-C 5.0–6.4 mmol/L (191–250 mg/dL)	3
LDL-C 4.0–4.9 mmol/L (155–190 mg/dL)	1
5) DNA analysis	
Functional mutation in the <i>LDLR</i> , <i>apoB</i> , or <i>PCSK9</i> genes	8
Choose only one score per group, the highest applicable; diagnosis is based on the total number of points obtained	
A 'definite' FH diagnosis requires >8 points	
A 'probable' FH diagnosis requires 6–8 points	
A 'possible' FH diagnosis requires 3–5 points	

Comparison of Diagnostic Criteria for the Diagnosis of FH

Criteria	MEDPED	DUTCH	SIMON BROOME	NLA*	AHA
Family history of premature CAD		+	+	+	+
Family history of tendon xanthomas		+	+		
Family history of hypercholesterolemia	+	+	+	+	
Parent premature CAD		+		+	
Parent premature PVD		+			
Tendon xanthomas		+	+	+	
Corneal arcus		+		+	
Elevated LDL-C	+	+	+	+	+
Genetic mutation		+	+	+	+

* indicates American Heart Association; CAD, coronary artery disease; FH, familial hypercholesterolemia; LDL-C, low-density lipoprotein cholesterol; MEDPED, Make Early Diagnosis to Prevent Early Death; NLA, National Lipid Association; PVD, peripheral vascular disease.

The NLA recommends the use of MEDPED, Dutch Lipid Clinic Network (DLCN), and Simon Broome criteria for diagnosis of familial hypercholesterolemia.

Recommendations for the detection of patients with HeFH

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Children suspected of FH should be screened from the age of 5 years.

Recommendations	Class ^a	Level ^b
It is recommended that a diagnosis of FH is considered in patients with CHD aged <55 years for men and <60 years for women, in people with relatives with premature fatal or non-fatal CVD, in people with relatives who have tendon xanthomas, in people with severely elevated LDL-C [in adults >5 mmol/L (>190 mg/dL), in children >4 mmol/L (>150 mg/dL)], and in first-degree relatives of FH patients.	I	C
It is recommended that FH should be diagnosed using clinical criteria and confirmed, when possible, via DNA analysis.	I	C
Once the index case is diagnosed, family cascade screening is recommended.	I	C

Recommendations for the treatment of patients with FH

Treatment with a PCSK9 inhibitor is recommended in very-high-risk FH patients if the treatment goal is not achieved on maximal tolerated statin plus ezetimibe.	I	C
In children, testing for FH is recommended from the age of 5 years, or earlier if HoFH is suspected.	I	C
Children with FH should be educated to adopt a proper diet and treated with a statin from 8–10 years of age. Goals for treatment should be LDL-C <3.5 mmol/L (<135 mg/dL) at >10 years of age.	IIa	C

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- HoFH patients should be treated with intensive LDL-lowering drug therapy and, when available, with lipoprotein apheresis. This treatment (every 12 weeks) can decrease plasma LDL-C levels by 55 to 70%
- Statin treatment should be started with low doses and the dose should be increased to reach goals. The goal in children >10 years of age is an LDL-C<135 mg/dl and in <10 years a 50% reduction of LDL-C

REPATHA Trials

Name	Objective	End points	No. of patients	Duration	Arms	Result
FOURIE <i>Apr 2017</i>	To see <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If established CVD patients on SOC benefit from adding Evomab in terms of reducing the risk of CV outcomes Efficacy & safety of achieving very low LDL 	<u>1°</u> : Composite of CV death, MI, stroke, hospitalization for unstable angina, or coronary revascularization <u>2°</u> : Composite of CV death, MI, or stroke <u>Other</u> : Composite of CV death, MI, or stroke	27,500	Mean 26 months Up to 43 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SOC + Placebo SOC + Evo 	LDL: 59% mean reduction (95%CI 58-60), P < 0.001, 56 mg/dL absolute reduction (95% CI 55-57) <u>1°</u> : 15% RRR in Evo arm <u>2°</u> : 20% RRR in Evo arm Safety: No significant difference of AEs, SAEs, AEs leading discontinuation, incidence of neurocognitive events, cataracts, & new-onset diabetes
SUB-Analyses Of FOURIER <i>Aug 2017</i>	To explore the clinical efficacy and safety on progressively lower achieved LDL-C levels	*The same as FOURIER, but comparing in 5 groups: 1. LDL < 20 2. LDL 20-49 3. LDL 50-69 4. LDL 70-99 5. LDL ≥ 100 *10 safety adverse events evaluated: SAEs, AEs leading discontinuation, ALT/AST>3X, Cancer, Cataracts, CK>5X, Hem-Stroke, Neurocognitive AEs, Non-CV death & New onset of diabetes	27500	At week 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SOC + Placebo SOC + Evo 	<u>1 & 2°</u> : Lower RRR with lower LDL levels LDL <10 Vs. LDL ≥100 31% RRR in primary endpoints 41% RRR in secondary endpoints Safety: No significant difference in 10 safety adverse events evaluated

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MENDEL <i>March 2014</i>	To evaluate mono-therapy of Evo	1° : Percent change from baseline in LDL-C at Week 12 & mean of Weeks 10 and 12 2° : At mean of Weeks 10 and 12 and at Week 12: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> % change from baseline in ApoB, ApoA-I, lipoprotein(a), TG, and HDL-C % patients with LDL-C <70 mg/dL of CV death, MI, or stroke Other: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treatment-emergent and serious AEs Muscle and hepatic enzyme elevations Anti-evolocumab antibodies 	MENDEL-1 406 MENDEL-2 614	12 weeks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Placebo + Placebo Placebo + Ez Placebo + Evo 	LDL: 39% mean reduction compare to Ez 57% mean reduction compare to placebo Safety: No significant difference
GAUSS <i>March 2014</i>	To evaluate efficacy & safety in Statin intolerant	1° : Percent change from baseline in LDL-C at mean of Weeks 10 and 12 and at Week 12 2° : At mean of Weeks 10 and 12 and at Week 12: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change from baseline in LDL-C % change from baseline in ApoB, ApoA-I, lipoprotein(a), TG, and HDL-C % patients with LDL-C <70 mg/dL of CV death, MI, or stroke Other: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treatment-emergent and serious AEs Creatine kinase & hepatic enzyme elevations Anti-evolocumab antibodies 	LAPLACE-1 307 LAPLACE-2 500	12 weeks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Placebo + Ez Placebo+ Evo 	LDL: 37-39 % mean reduction compare to Ez 56% mean reduction compare to placebo Achieved LDL<70: 92% in low risk patients 88% in moderate risk patients 77% in high risk patients Safety: No significant difference

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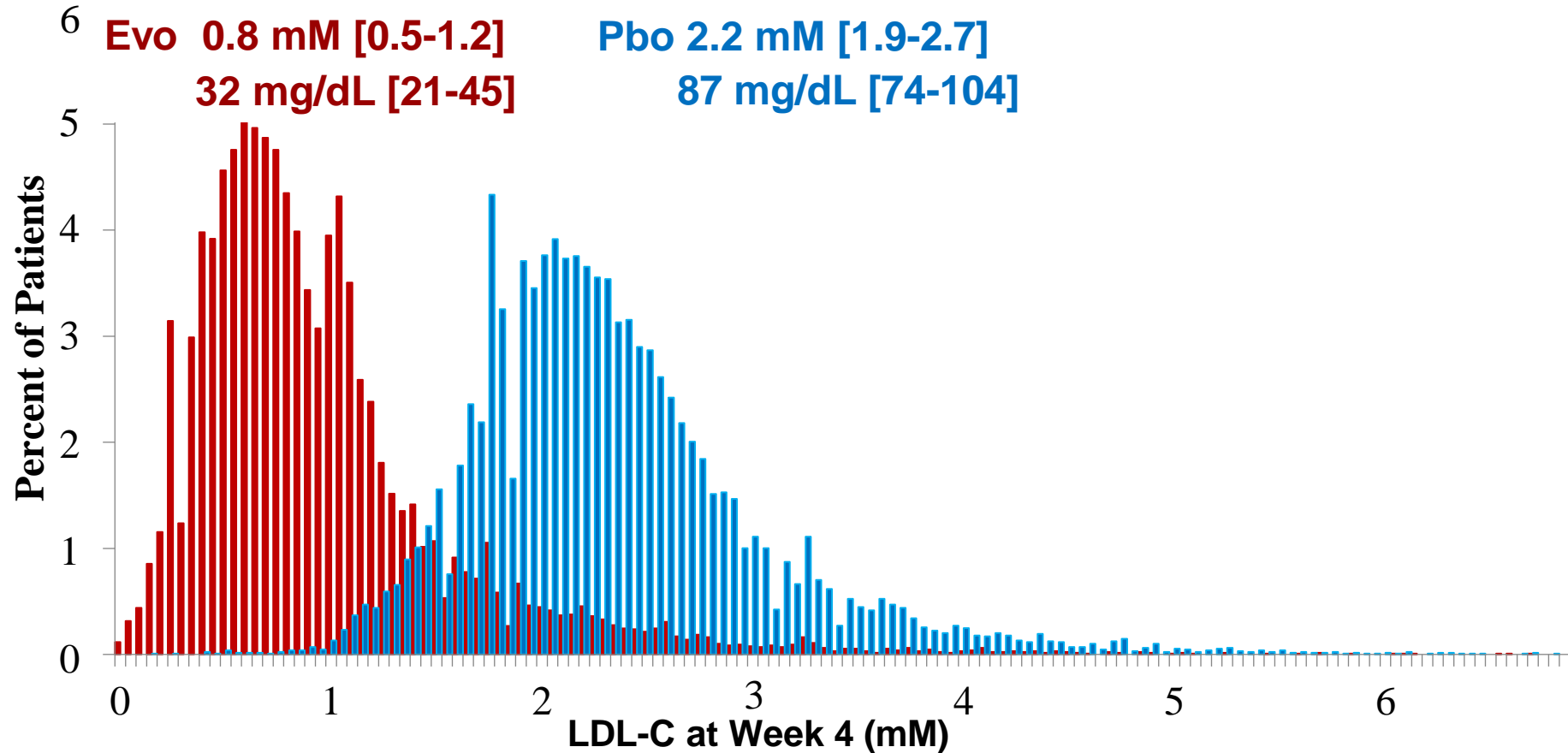
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DESCARTES <i>May 2014</i>	Long-term evaluation benefits & safety of combination therapy SOC + Evo	<p>1° : %change from baseline in the LDL cholesterol level at week 52</p> <p>2° :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LDL-C % change from baseline at Week 12 • Absolute LDL-C change from baseline at Week 52 • % patients achieving <70 mg/dL LDL-C target at Week 52 • % changes from baseline for TC, HDL-C, non-HDL-C, ApoB, VLDL-C, triglycerides, and Lp(a) at Week 52 • % changes in total cholesterol/HDL cholesterol ratio and apolipoprotein B/apolipoprotein A1 ratio at Week 52 <p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incidence of treatment emergent AEs • laboratory values and vital signs at each scheduled visit • ECG parameters at each scheduled visit • Anti-evolocumab antibodies • Exploratory safety endpoints • Adjudicated CV events 	901	52 weeks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SOC + Placebo • SOC + Evo 	<p>LDL: 57% LDL reduction compare to placebo</p> <p>82% achieved LDL <70 in average</p> <p>Safety: No significant difference</p>

REPATHA Trials

Name	Objective	End points	No. of patients	Duration	Arms	Result
Ratherford 2 <i>Dec 2013</i>	To evaluate benefits & safety of HeFH	1° : Percent change from baseline in LDL-C at Week 14 Secondary Endpoint % Patients achieving LDL-C Goal < 70 mg/dl at week 12	331	14 weeks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100% were on statins (87% at high intensity statin) • 62 % were on ezetimibe • Placebo • Evo 	LDL: 61% LDL reduction compare to placebo 68% LDL<70 at week 12 Safety: No significant difference in 10 safety adverse events evaluated
Tesla B <i>May 2014</i>	To evaluate benefits & safety of HoFH	1° :Primary endpoint: % change from baseline in ultracentrifugation (UC) LDL-C at week 12 Other: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incidence of treatment emergent AEs • laboratory values and vital signs at each scheduled visit • ECG parameters at each scheduled visit • Anti-evolocumab antibodies • Exploratory safety endpoints • Adjudicated CV events 	901	52 weeks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SOC + Placebo • SOC + Evo 	LDL: 31% LDL reduction compare to placebo Safety: No significant difference

Achieved LDL-C at 4 Weeks in forier

Median [IQR] LDL-C at 4 Weeks



LDL (mM)

%Evo

%Placebo

LDL (mM)	<0.5	0.5-1.3	1.3-1.8	1.8-2.6	≥ 2.6
%Evo	99.6%	96.5%	41%	10%	9.6%
%Placebo	0.4%	3.5%	59%	90%	90.4%

Changes in recommendations (Upgrades)

Pharmacological LDL-C lowering (2016)

In patients at very-high risk, with persistent high LDL-C despite treatment with maximal tolerated statin dose, in combination with ezetimibe or in patients with statin intolerance, a PCSK9 inhibitor may be considered (class IIb)

• Pharmacological LDL-C lowering (2019)

For secondary prevention, patients at very-high risk not achieving their goal on a maximum tolerated dose of statin and ezetimibe, a combination with a PCSK9 inhibitor is recommended (Class I)

Changes in recommendations (Upgrades)

Treatment of patients with heterozygous FH(2016)

- ❑ Treatment should be considered to aim at reaching an LDL-C <2.6 mmol/L (<100 mg/dL) or in the presence of CVD <1.8 mmol/L (<70 mg/dL)
- ❑ If targets cannot be reached, maximal reduction of LDL-C should be considered using appropriate drug combinations (class IIa)

• Treatment of patients with heterozygous FH(2019)

- ❑ For FH patients with ASCVD who are at very-high risk, treatment to achieve at least a 50% reduction from baseline and an LDL-C <1.4 mmol/L (<55 mg/dL) is recommended
- ❑ If goals cannot be achieved, a drug combination is recommended (Class I)

Changes in recommendations (Upgrades)

Treatment of patients with heterozygous FH(2016)

Treatment with a PCSK9 antibody should be considered in FH patients with CVD or with other factors putting them at very-high risk for CHD, such as other CV risk factors, family history, high Lp(a), or statin intolerance
(class IIa)

• Treatment of patients with heterozygous FH(2019)

Treatment with a PCSK9 inhibitor is recommended in very-high-risk FH patients if the treatment goal is not achieved on maximal tolerated statin plus ezetimibe
(Class I)

Changes in recommendations (Upgrades)

Lipid-lowering therapy in patients with ACS (2016)

If the LDL-C target is not reached with the highest tolerated statin dose and/or ezetimibe, PCSK9 inhibitors may be considered on top of lipid-lowering therapy; or alone or in combination with ezetimibe in statin-intolerant patients or in whom a statin is contraindicated
(class IIb)

• Lipid-lowering therapy in patients with ACS (2019)

If the LDL-C goal is not achieved after 4 - 6 weeks despite maximal tolerated statin therapy and ezetimibe, addition of a PCSK9 inhibitor is recommended
(Class I)

Recommendations for pharmacological LDL-C lowering

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Recommendations	Class ^a	Level ^b
It is recommended that a high-intensity statin is prescribed up to the highest tolerated dose to reach the goals set for the specific level of risk. ^{32,34,38}	I	A
If the goals ^c are not achieved with the maximum tolerated dose of a statin, combination with ezetimibe is recommended. ³³	I	B
For primary prevention patients at very-high risk, but without FH, if the LDL-C goal is not achieved on a maximum tolerated dose of a statin and ezetimibe, a combination with a PCSK9 inhibitor may be considered.	IIb	C
For secondary prevention, patients at very-high risk not achieving their goal ^c on a maximum tolerated dose of a statin and ezetimibe, a combination with a PCSK9 inhibitor is recommended. ^{119,120}	I	A
For very-high-risk FH patients (that is, with ASCVD or with another major risk factor) who do not achieve their goal ^c on a maximum tolerated dose of a statin and ezetimibe, a combination with a PCSK9 inhibitor is recommended.	I	C
If a statin-based regimen is not tolerated at any dosage (even after rechallenge), ezetimibe should be considered. ^{197,265,353}	IIa	C
If a statin-based regimen is not tolerated at any dosage (even after rechallenge), a PCSK9 inhibitor added to ezetimibe may also be considered. ^{197,265,353}	IIb	C
If the goal ^c is not achieved, statin combination with a bile acid sequestrant may be considered.	IIb	C

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I Is recommended or is indicated

IIa Should be considered

IIb May be considered

Thanks for your attention

