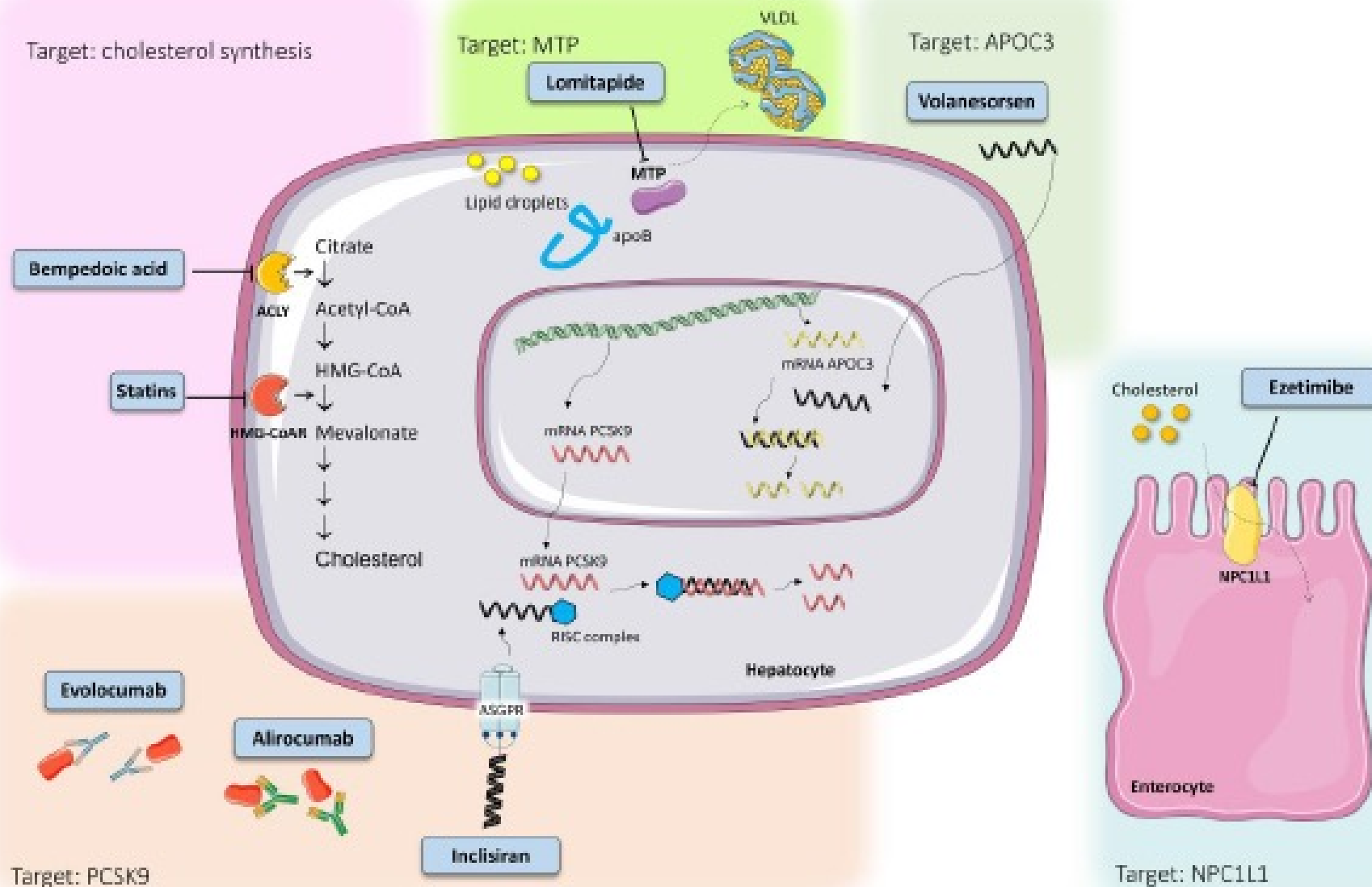


Actualités thérapeutiques dans les dyslipidémies en 2026

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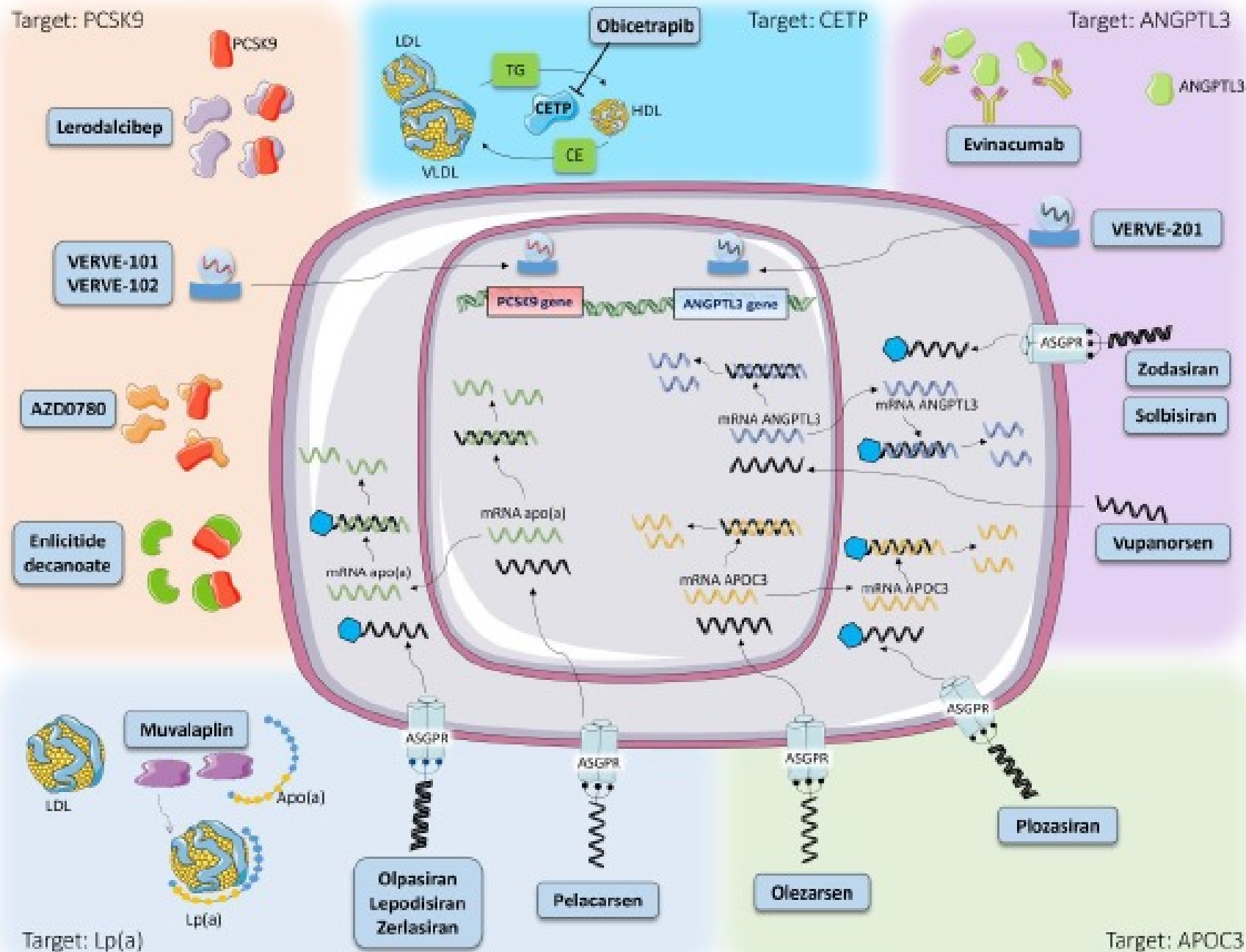
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Abbott, Daiichi-Sankyo, Menarini,
Novartis, Organon, Sobi, Servier, and Ultragenyx.



Cellular and
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targets of
current lipid-
lowering
therapies

Ballantyne et al.
Eur Heart J 2025



Cellular and
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Diverses classes of new lipid-lowering drugs

Small molecules



Bempedoic Acid
Laroprovstat
Obicetrapib
Muvalaplin
(Lomitapide)

Antibodies



Evolocumab
Alirocumab
...
Evinacumab

ASO



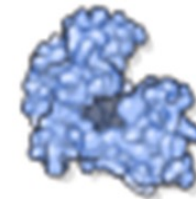
Volanesorsen
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(Vupanorsen)
Pelacarsen
(Mipomersen)

siRNA



Inclisiran
Olpasiran
Lepodisiran
Zerlasiran
Plozasiran
Zodasiran
Solbisiran

Proteins and peptides



Lerodalcibep
Enlicitide
Pegozafermin
CSL-112

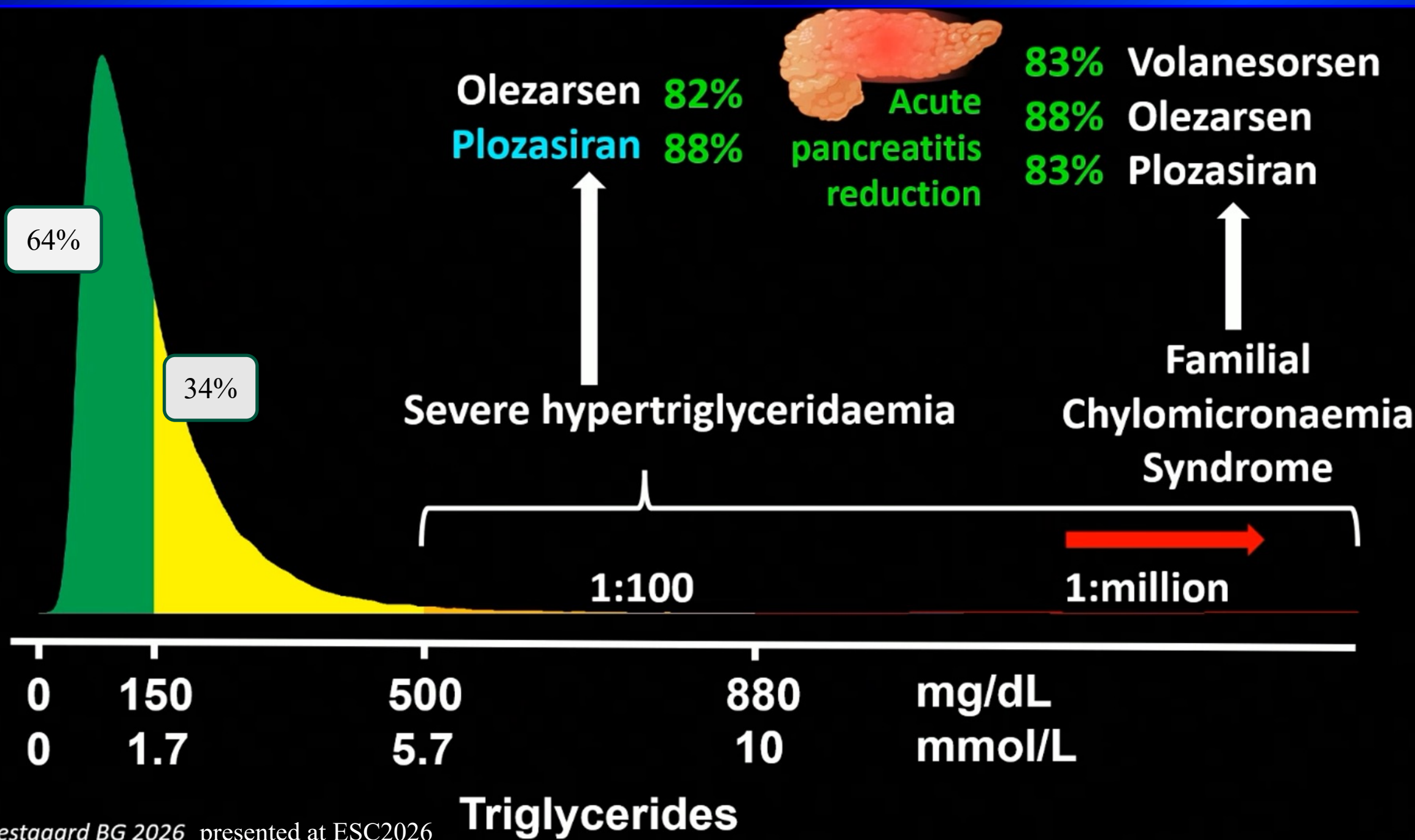
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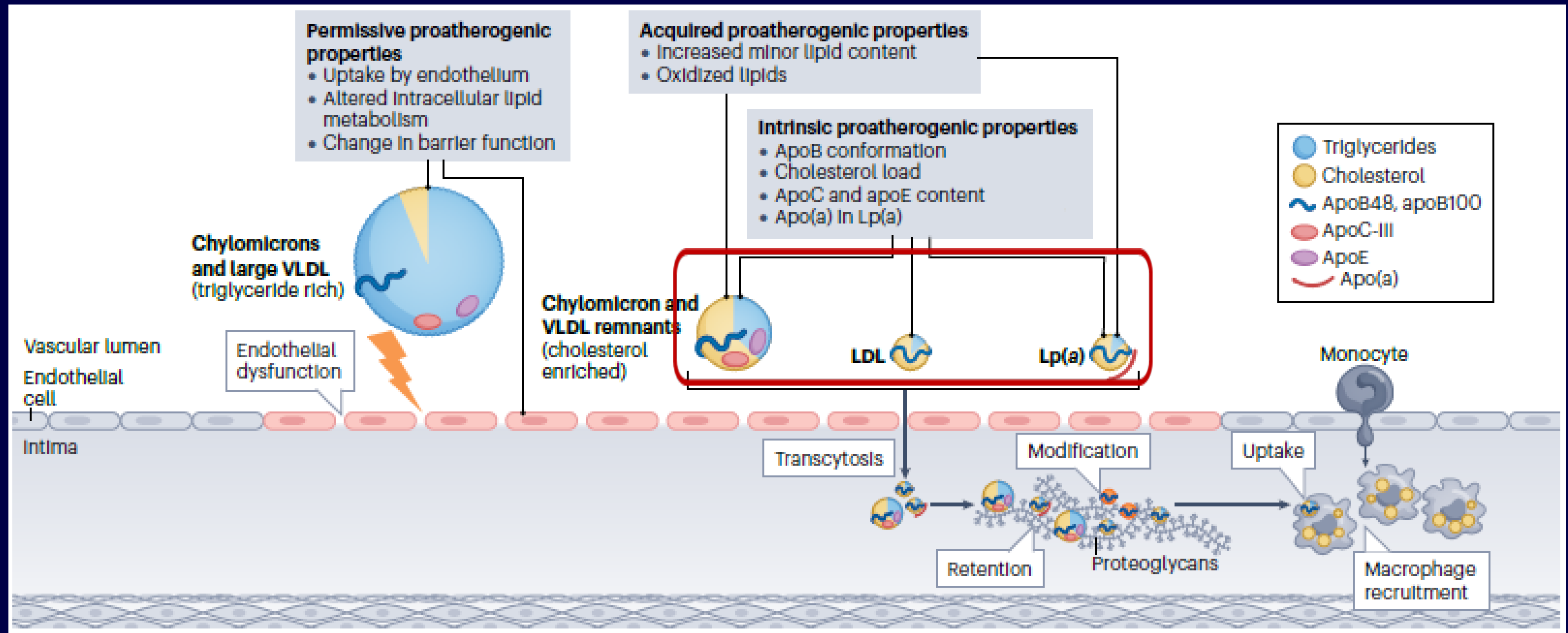
VERVE-102
VERVE-201
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Objectifs Thérapeutiques « globaux »

- ➡ Prévention des maladies cardiovasculaires liées à l'athérosclérose (ASCVD)
« hypercholestérolémies » pures ou mixtes
- ➡ Prévention des pancréatites
hypertriglycéridémies sévères



Concepts in atherogenicity of apoB-containing Lp



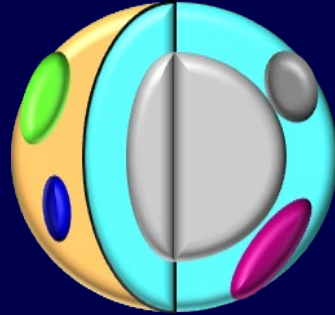
LDL



Lp(a)



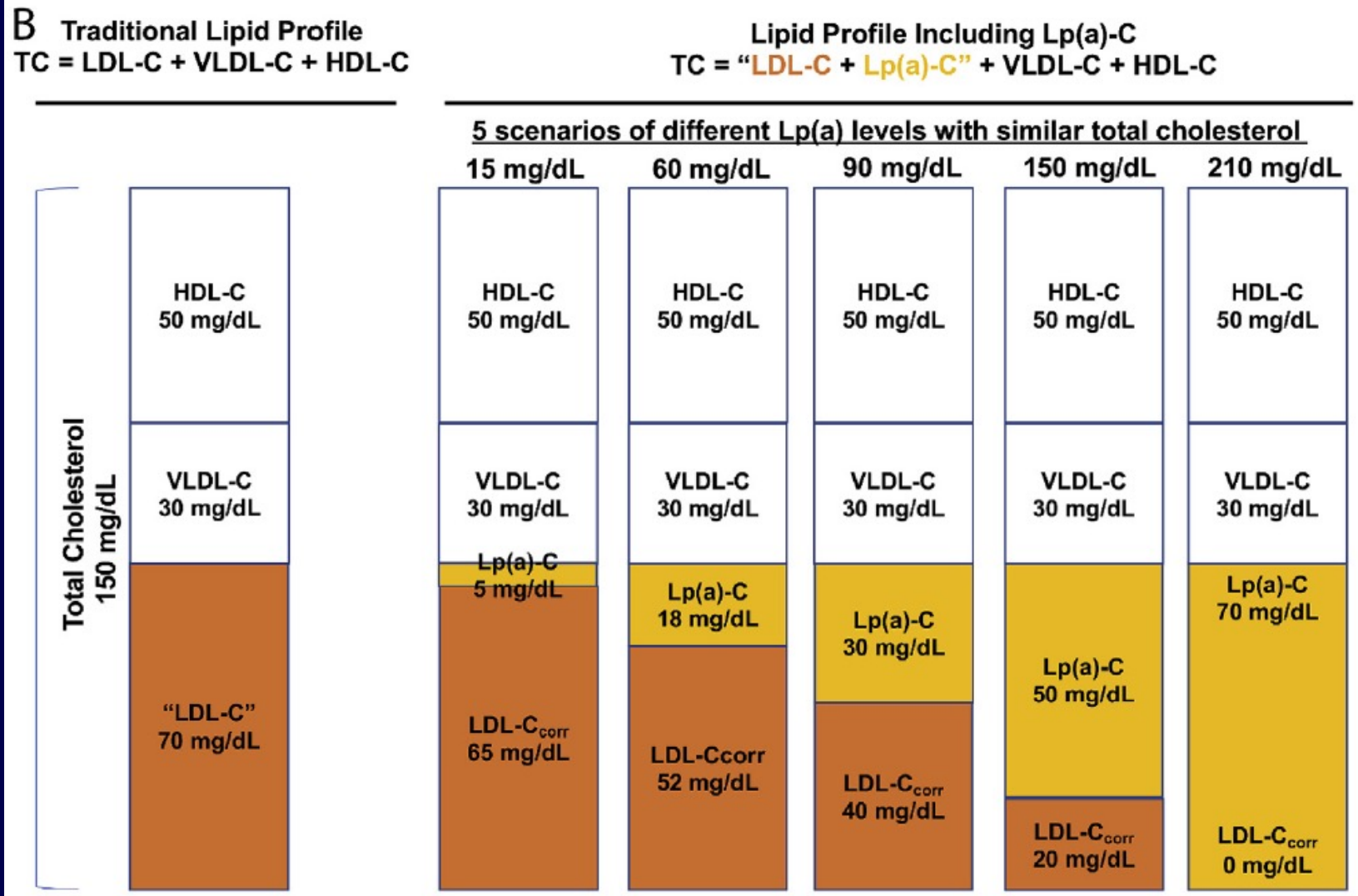
Remnants



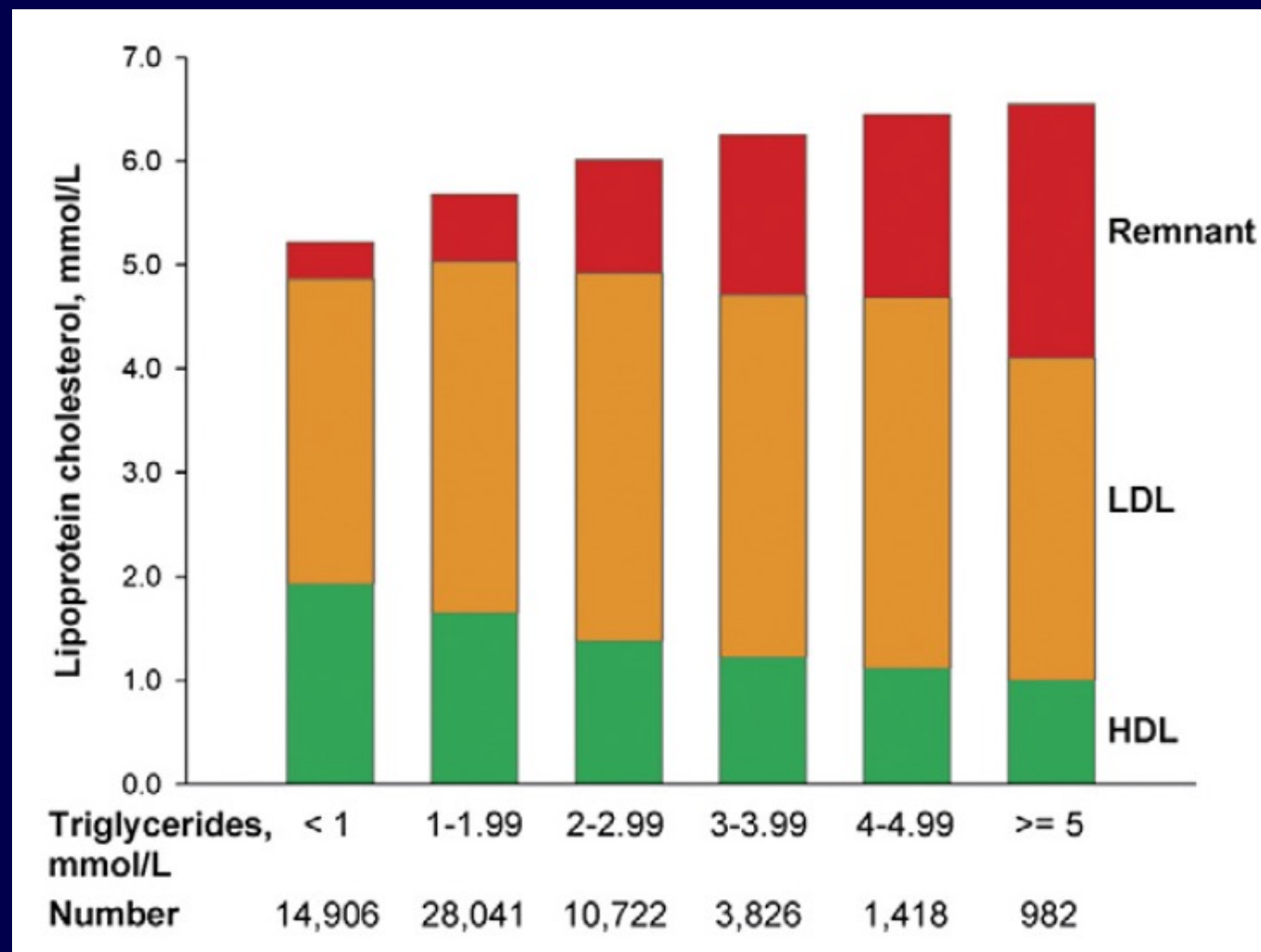
1 particule de remnant ou 1
particule de Lp(a) est 4 à 6 fois plus
athérogène qu'1 particule LDL

En prévention cardiovasculaire, pourquoi
la réduction des LDL reste la priorité ?

Theoretical contribution of Lp(a) to laboratory measured “LDL-C”



Association of lipoprotein cholesterol and triglycerides



Non-HDL-cholesterol

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2021 ESC Guidelines on cardiovascular disease prevention in clinical practice

Developed by the Task Force for cardiovascular disease prevention in clinical practice with representatives of the European Society of Cardiology and 12 medical societies

2025 Focused Update of the 2019 ESC/EAS Guidelines for the management of dyslipidaemias

Developed by the task force for the management of dyslipidaemias of the European Society of Cardiology (ESC) and the European Atherosclerosis Society (EAS)

Patients à haut/très haut risque cardiovasculaire

Objectifs thérapeutiques :

- ↓ LDL-C > 50%
- très haut risque < 0.55, haut risque < 0.70 g/l

SCORE2 recommandé chez les personnes en bonne santé apparente pour évaluer le risque cardiovasculaire

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Intensive LDL Cholesterol Targeting in Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease

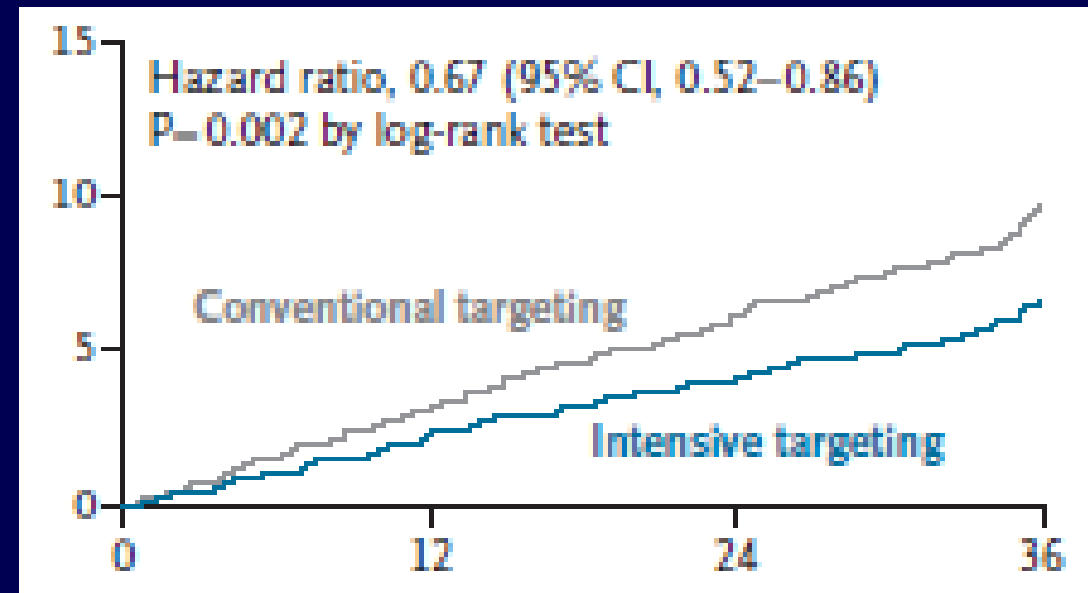
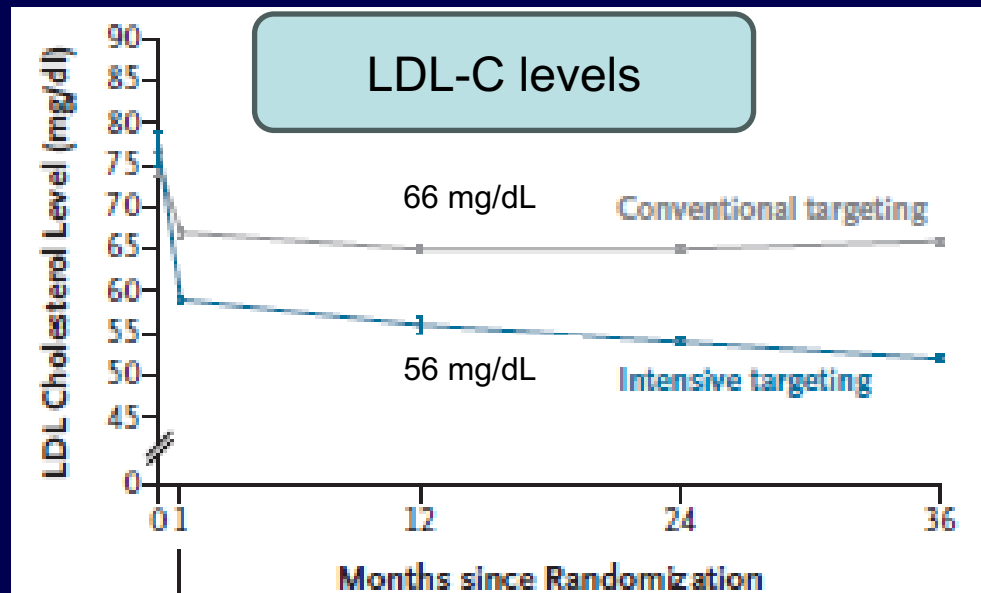
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Open-label superiority trial conducted in South Korea
3048 patients with ASCVD randomly assigned to the intensive-targeting group
(LDL-C<55 mg/dL) or the conventional-targeting group (LDL-C<70 mg/dL)
Primary end-point: death from CV causes, nonfatal MI, nonfatal stroke, any
revascularization, or hospitalization for unstable angina

Ez-PAVE trial: Primary End-Point

At baseline : LDL-C 76 mg/dL
Statin 91%, Ezetimibe 29%

Primary End-Point Events



SANTORINI observational study

621 French patients at high/very high risk

Characteristic	France (n = 621)	RoE (n = 6,589)
Male, n (%)	453 (73.0)	4,744 (72.0)
Age, years, mean (SD)	65.0 (10.8)	65.0 (10.9)
Hypertension, n (%)	356 (57.3)	4,734 (71.9)
Diabetes, n (%)	157 (25.3)	2,358 (35.8)
BMI, kg/m ² , mean (SD)	27.6 (4.7)	28.3 (4.8)
LDL-C, mmol/L, mean (SD)	2.6 (1.3)	2.4 (1.2)
Familial hypercholesterolemia, n (%)	53 (8.5)	747 (11.3)
ASCVD, n (%)	508 (81.8)	5,013 (76.1)

1.0 g/l

n, %	France (n = 621)	
	Baseline	1-year follow-up
At 1-year LDL-C 0.85 g/l		
No LLT documented	146 (23.5)	21 (3.4)
Total monotherapy	318 (51.2)	363 (58.5)
Statin alone ^b	288 (46.4)	330 (53.1)
Low intensity	22 (3.5)	23 (3.7)
Moderate intensity	154 (24.8)	147 (23.7)
High intensity	104 (16.8)	155 (25.0)
Ezetimibe alone	10 (1.6)	14 (2.3)
PCSK9i alone	9 (1.5)	10 (1.6)
Any other oral LLT alone	11 (1.8)	9 (1.5)
Total combination therapy	157 (25.3)	237 (38.2)
Combination statin + ezetimibe ^b	136 (21.9)	196 (31.6)
Low-intensity statin	4 (0.6)	4 (0.6)
Moderate-intensity statin	56 (9.0)	65 (10.5)
High-intensity statin	69 (11.1)	119 (19.2)
PCSK9i combination	10 (1.6)	30 (4.8)
Any other oral combination LLT	11 (1.8)	11 (1.8)

Stratégie Thérapeutique en Prévention Secondaire

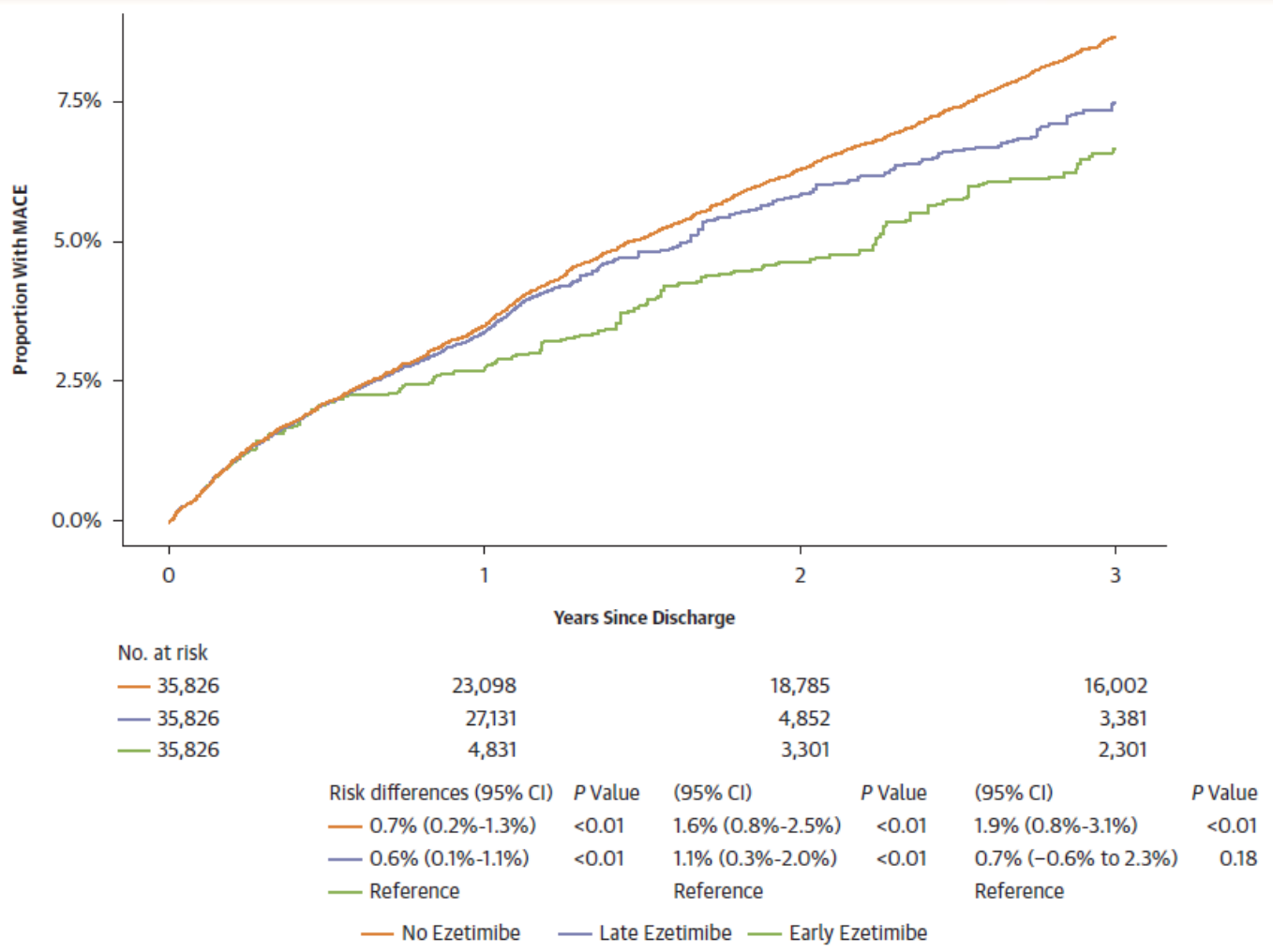
Après un syndrome coronaire aigü

Recommendations	Class ^a	Level ^b
Intensification of lipid-lowering therapy during the index ACS hospitalization is recommended for patients who were on any lipid-lowering therapy before admission in order to further lower LDL-C levels.	I	C
Initiating combination therapy with high-intensity statin plus ezetimibe during index hospitalization for ACS should be considered in patients who were treatment-naïve and are not expected to achieve the LDL-C goal with statin therapy alone. ⁶⁶	IIa	B

Sauf si LDL-C spontanément bas (< 1 g/L sans traitement)

Statine (dose max. tolérée)* + Ezétimibe

* > 70(80) ans : statine intensité modérée ?



MACE = major adverse cardiovascular events (all-cause death, nonfatal myocardial infarction, and nonfatal stroke).

Cumulative incidence of the primary outcome MACE for patients initiated on combination therapy with statin and ezetimibe early, late or no ezetimibe

Initier ézetimibe de façon précoce après un IDM protège de nouveaux évènements CVaires (registre SWEDEHEART)

SCORE2 & SCORE2-OP

10-year risk of (fatal and non-fatal) CV events in populations **at low CVD risk**



Women

Men

Non-smoking

Smoking

Non-smoking

Smoking

Non-HDL cholesterol

Systolic blood pressure (mmHg)
SCORE2-OP

3.0-3.9
4.0-4.9
5.0-5.9
6.0-6.9
150 200 250

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mmol/L
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Age (y)
85-89

80-84

75-79

70-74

Grille SCORE2-OP pour les pays à bas risque

Très haut risque chez le sujet âgé de 70 ans ou+

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Atorvastatin, Cardiovascular Events, and Disability-free Survival in Older Adults

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Double-blind, randomized, placebo-controlled trial, conducted in Australia
9971 participants, at least 70 years of age (mean 74.7 y.)
with no history of CVD, diabetes or dementia
randomized to receive atorvastatin 40mg or placebo, median follow-up 5.9 y.

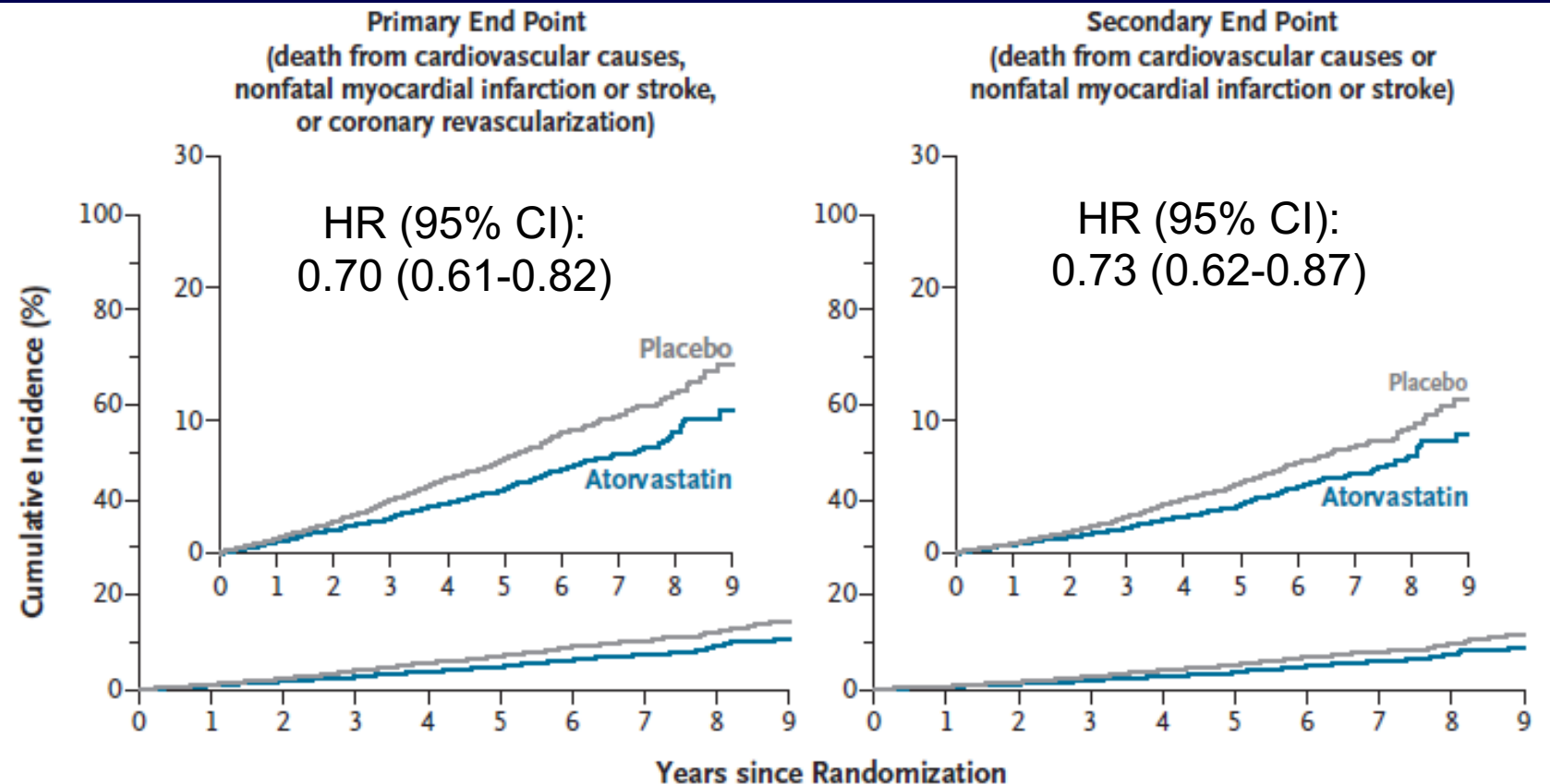
STAREE trial: major cardiovascular events

Population de l'étude:

Fumeurs: 2.5%
LDL-C 1.26 g/l
PAS 135 mmHg
25% > 75 ans

Death from any cause:

HR (95% CI)
0.91 (0.79-1.04)



STAREE trial: second primary end-point

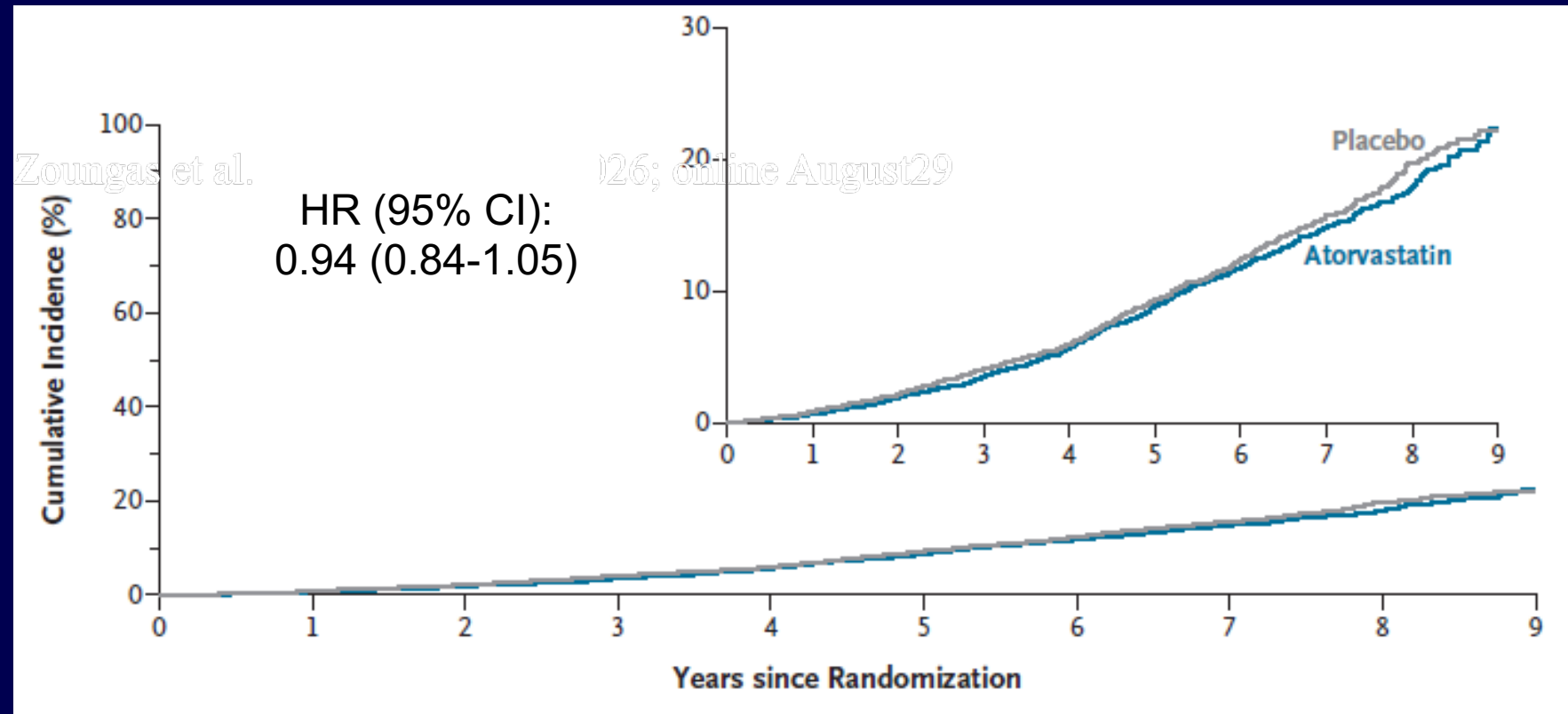
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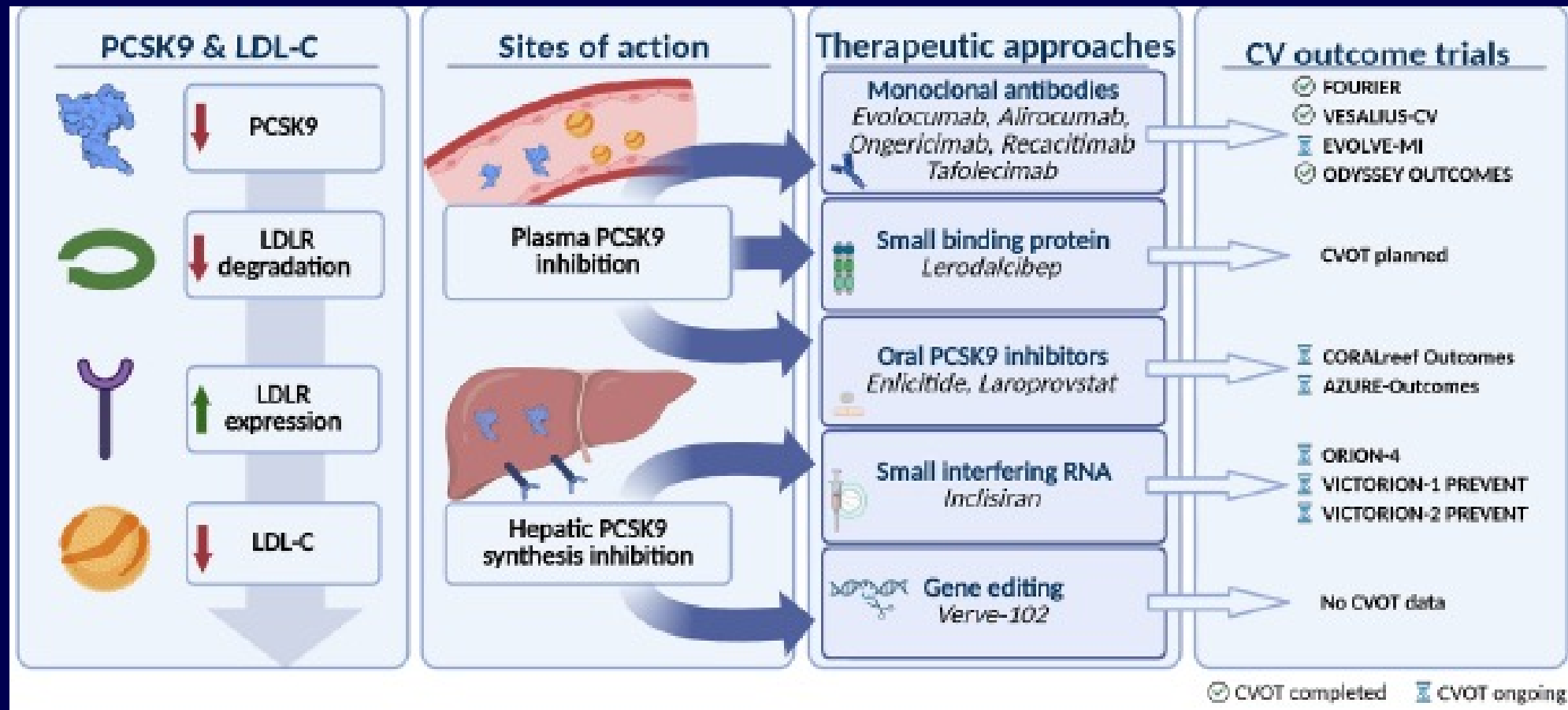
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Death from any cause, dementia, or persistent physical disability



The evolving therapeutic landscape of PCSK9 inhibition



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Mécanismes Pathogéniques de la Lp(a)

Pro-inflammatory

↑ Macrophage IL-8 expression

↑ Monocyte cytokine release

↑ Oxidized Phospholipids

↑ Monocyte chemotaxis/transmigration

Carries MCP-1

Proatherogenic

↑ EC binding

↑ Upregulation of adhesion molecules

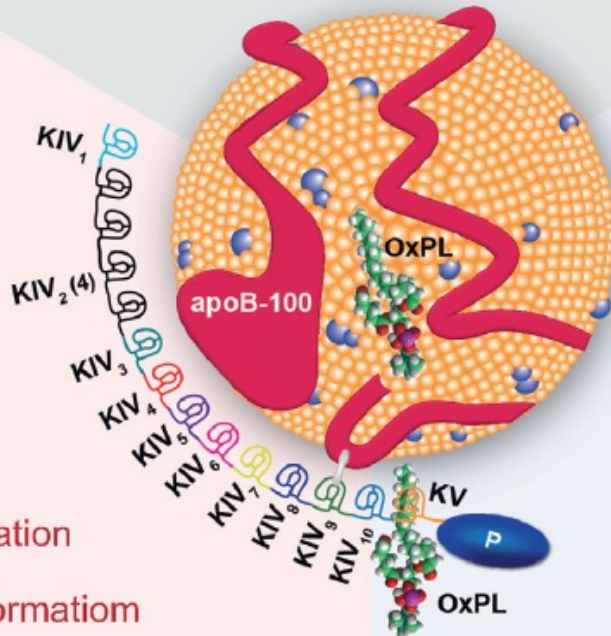
↑ SMC proliferation

↑ Proteoglycan matrix binding

↑ Foam/cell formation

↑ Necrotic core formation

↑ Lesion calcification



↓ Plasminogen activation

↓ Fibrin degradation

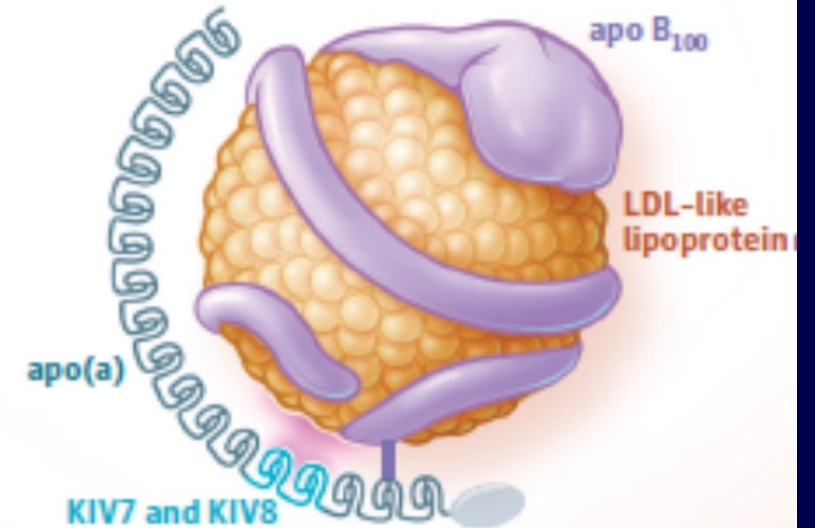
↑ EC PAI-1 expression

↑ TFPI activity

↑ Platelet responsiveness

Prothrombotic

Lp(a) STRUCTURE



Initial noncovalent bond of apo(a) kringle domains 7 and 8 (KIV7 and KIV8) to lysine residues of apo B₁₀₀, followed by the formation of a covalent disulfide bond

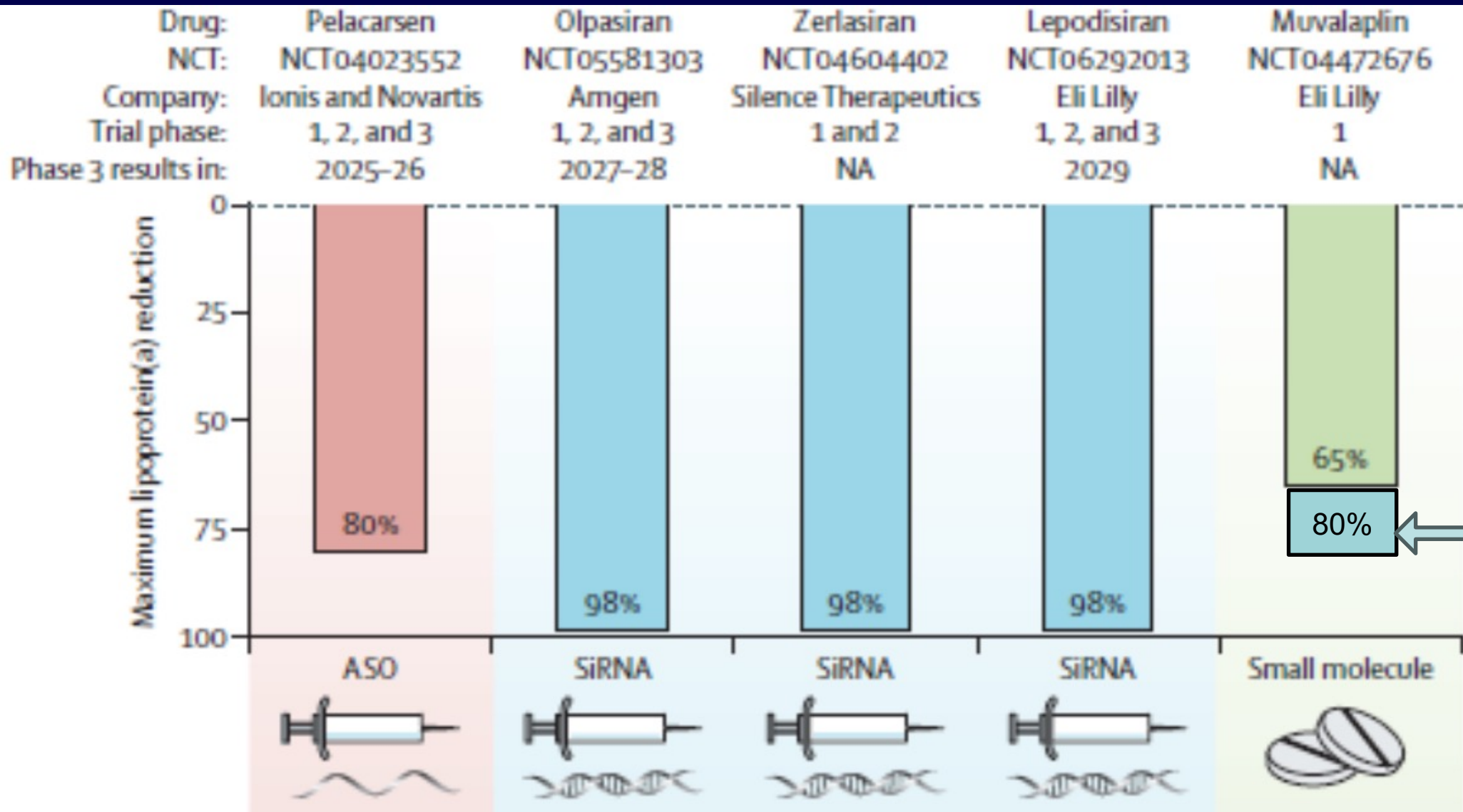
Lipoprotein(a)-targeting therapies

Injectable RNA-based therapies

Agent	Description	Status
Pelacarsen	ASO to apo(a)	3: Lp(a)HORIZON outcomes trial enrolled (~5/2025)
Olpasiran	siRNA to apo(a)	3: OCEAN(a)-Outcomes trial enrolled (~12/2026)
Lepodisiran	siRNA to apo(a)	3: ACCLAIM-Lp(a) outcomes trial recruiting (~3/2029)
Zerlasiran	siRNA to apo(a)	2: ALPACAR-360 published
Muvalaplin	Oral small molecule binding to apo(a)	2: KRAKEN published
VERVE-301	Gene editing to inactivate <i>LPA</i> in the liver	Early development

Kylo-11 very long acting siRNA phase 1 (ESC2026, Lancet)

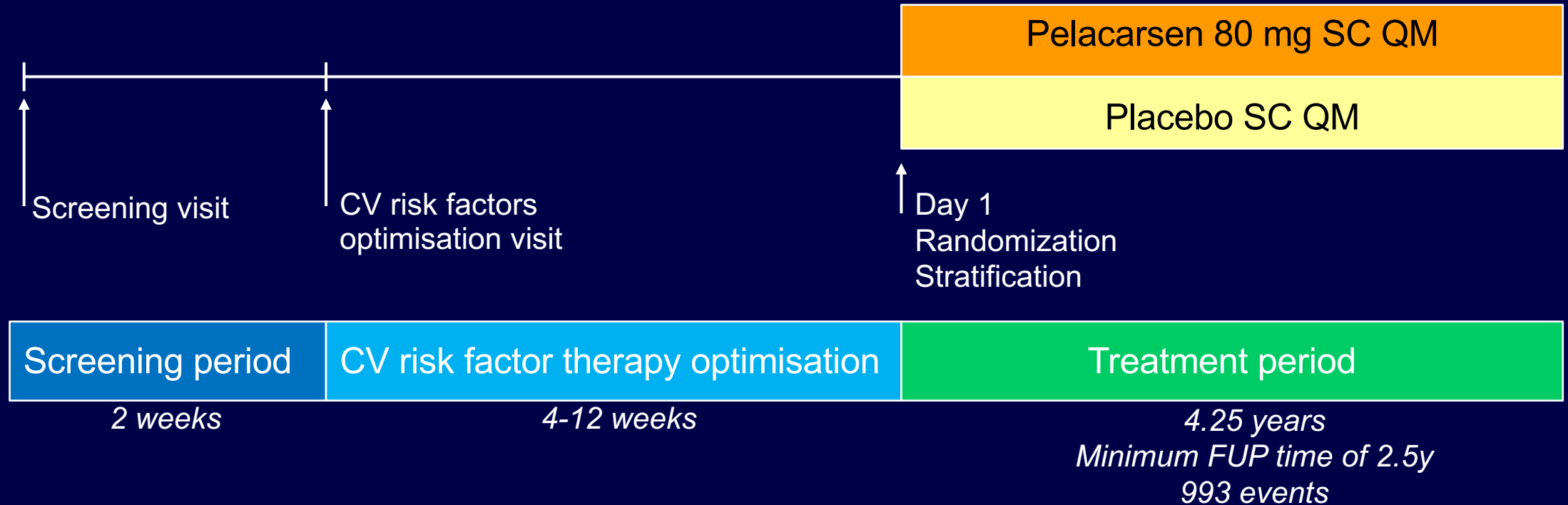
Maximum achieved Lp(a) reduction for 5 drugs in development



Nicholls et al. JAMA
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CVOT Targeting Lp(a) – HORIZON Study

Study population: Patients with established CVD (prior MI, stroke, PAD) and Lp(a) ≥ 70 mg/dL with optimal therapy for cholesterol lowering and other CV risk factors

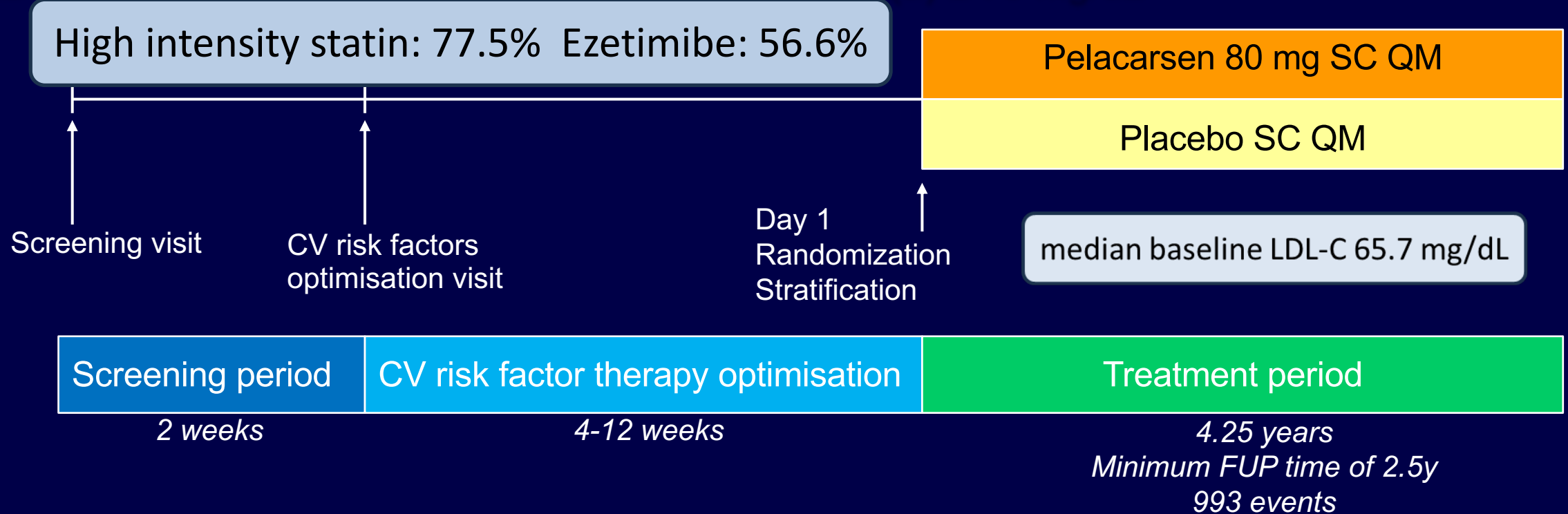


Study is positive if primary EP is met in either overall (patients with Lp(a) ≥ 70 mg/dL) or sub-population (stratum with Lp(a) ≥ 90 mg/dL)

Primary Endpoint: MI, stroke, CV death or urgent coronary revascularization

Lp(a) – HORIZON Study

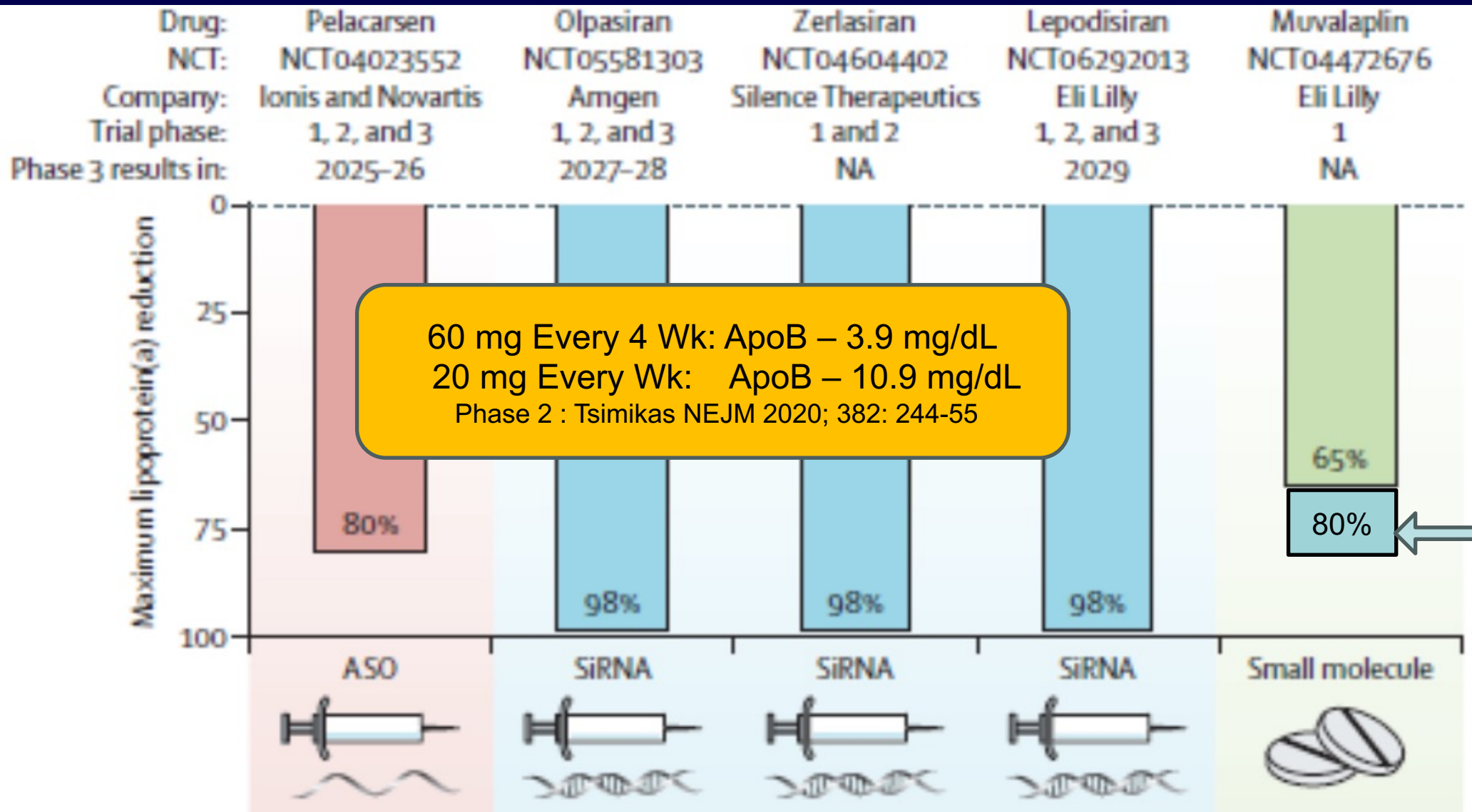
Study population: 8,323 patients with established CVD (prior MI 81.5%, stroke 9.8%, symptomatic PAD 14.8%) (18.1% multiple events) and elevated Lp(a) ≥ 70 mg/dL



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TG-rich Lp

RLP

Remnant

Fatty Acids
+ Glycerol

ApoA5

LPL

ApoC3

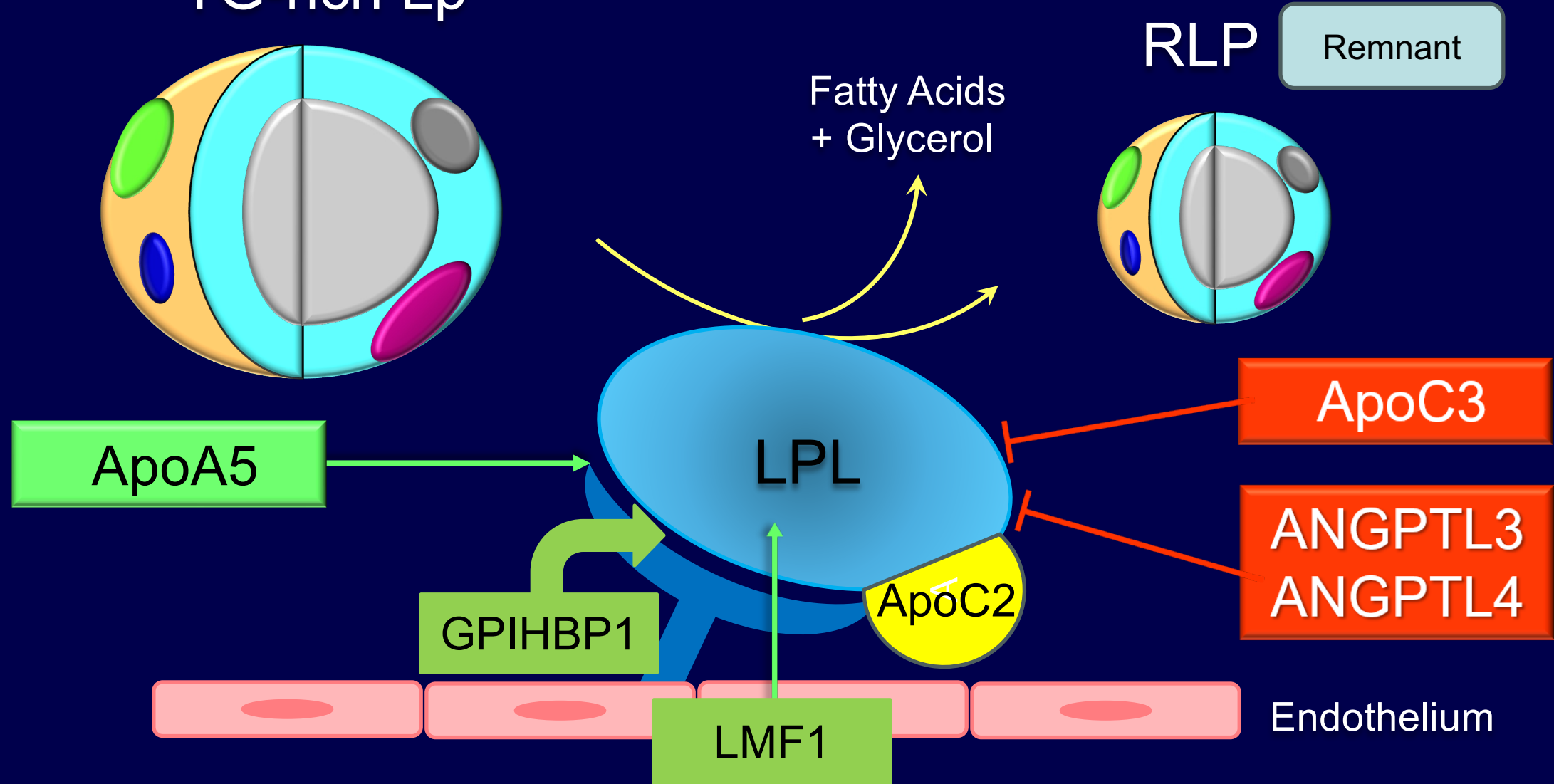
ANGPTL3
ANGPTL4

GPIHBP1

ApoC2

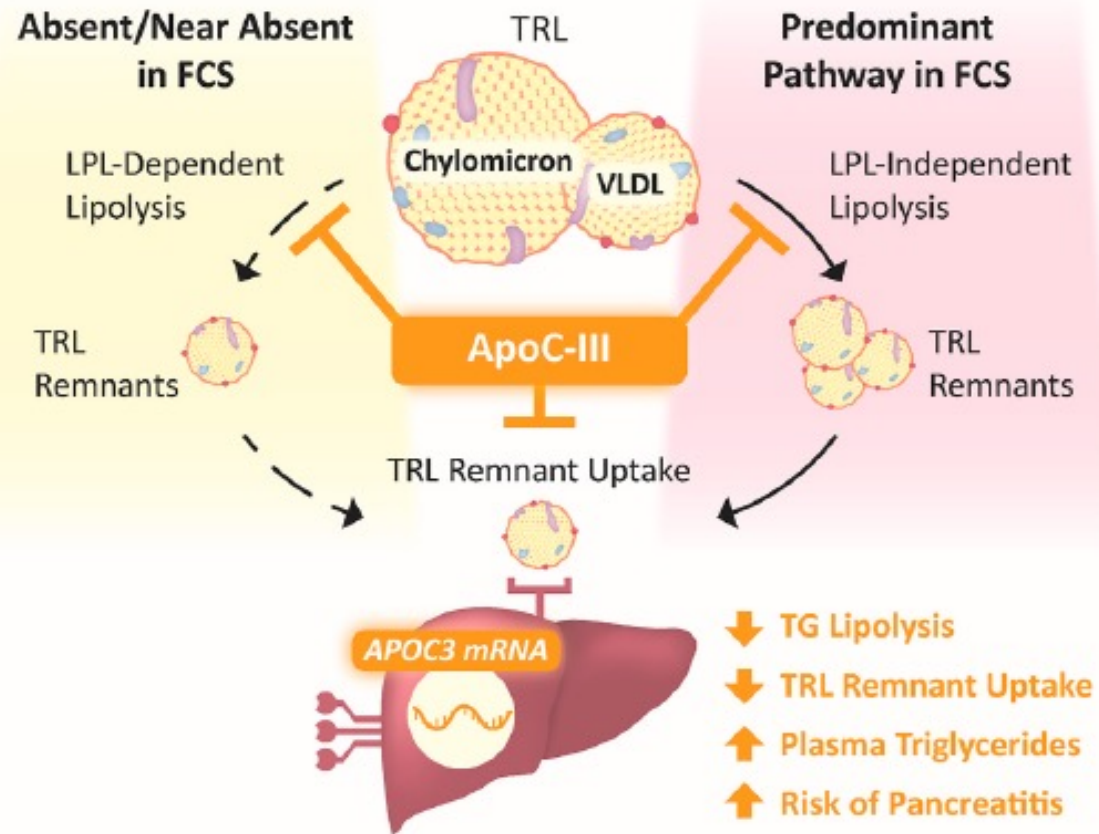
LMF1

Endothelium

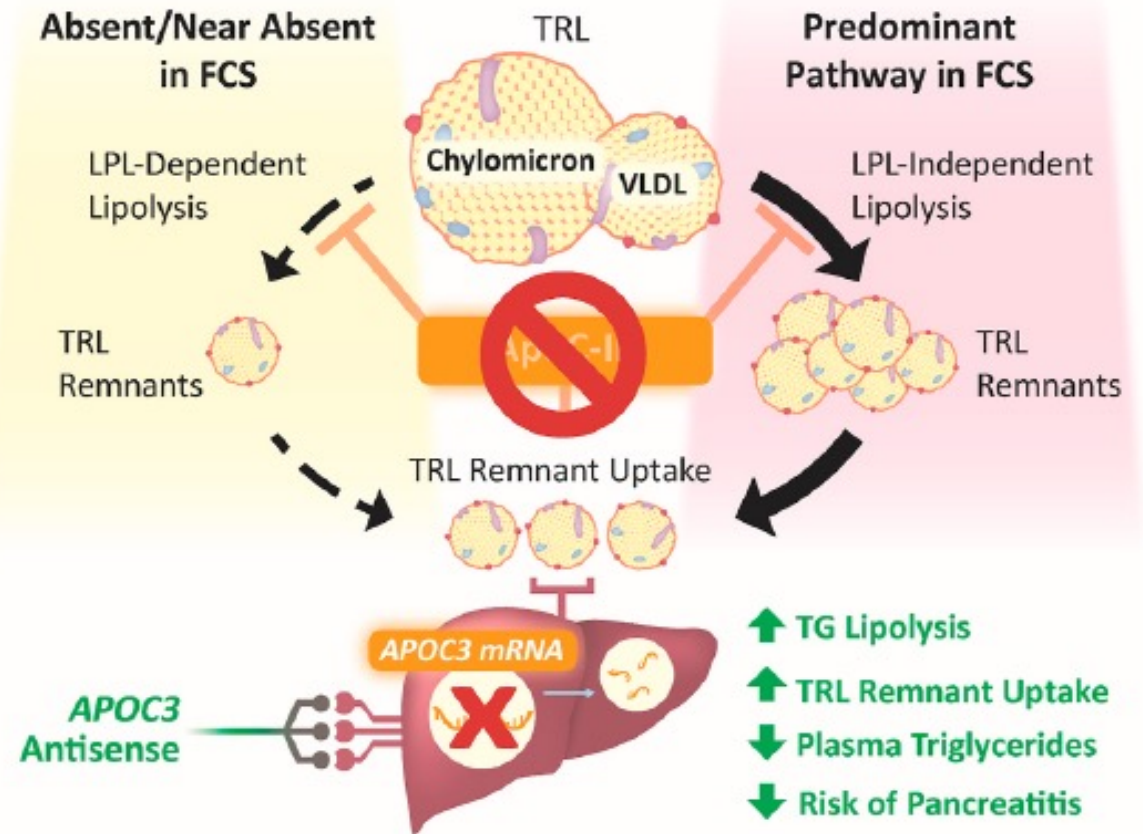


Reduction in apoC3 decreases TG levels even in patients with FCS by promoting the LPL-independent pathway of TRL hydrolysis and clearance mediated by hepatic receptors

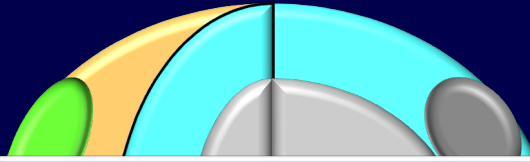
A. FCS With ApoC-III



B. FCS with APOC3 Antisense

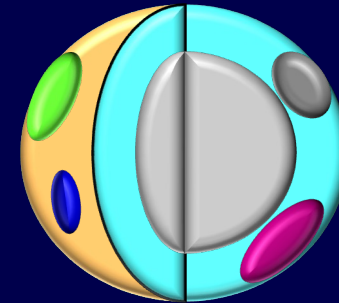


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ApoC3 Null mutations

TRLs ↓ 39%

MI risk ↓ 40%

Crosby et al. NEJM 2014

ANGPTL3 LOF mutations

TG ↓ 17 %, LDL-C ↓ 12 %

MI risk ↓ 34 %

Stitzel et al. JACC 2017, Dewey et al. NEJM 2016

ApoC3

ANGPTL3
ANGPTL4

Endothelium



ApoC3: Direct Atherogenic Effects Beyond Lipid Metabolism

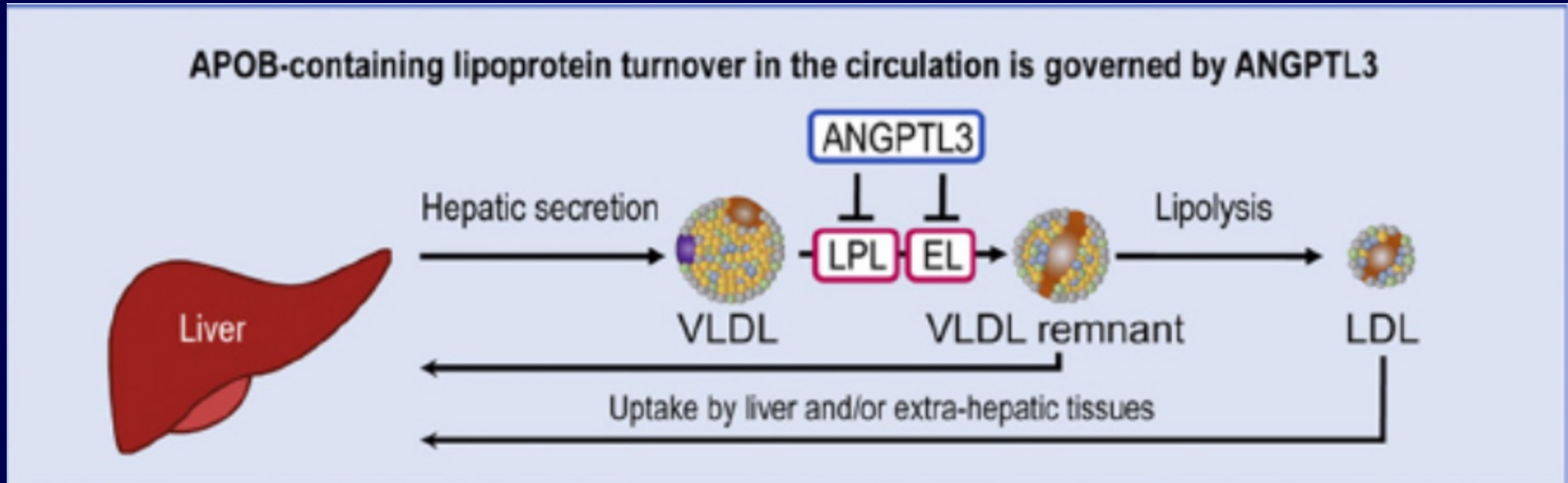
➤ Lipoprotein retention in the artery wall

ApoC3 increases the affinity of atherogenic lipoproteins for proteoglycans, facilitating their retention in the subendothelial space

➤ Proinflammatory and prothrombotic effects

➤ ...

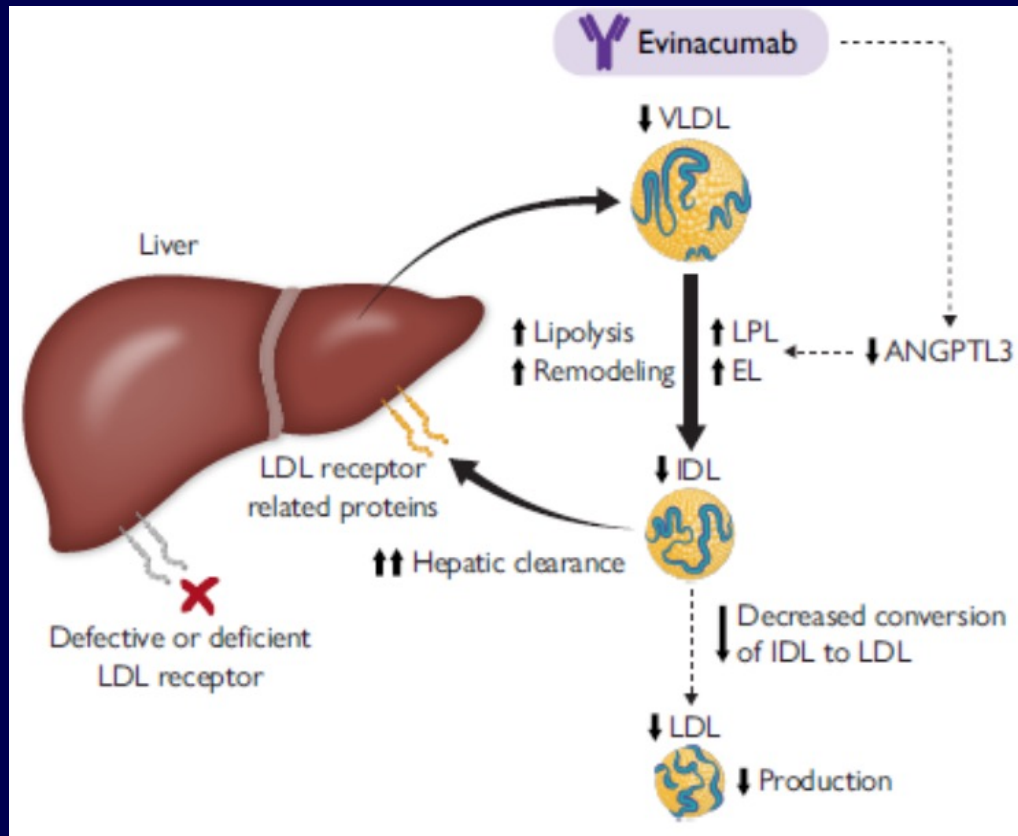
ANGPTL3 inhibe les activités de la LPL et de l'EL, régulant ainsi le turnover des ApoB-lipoprotéines



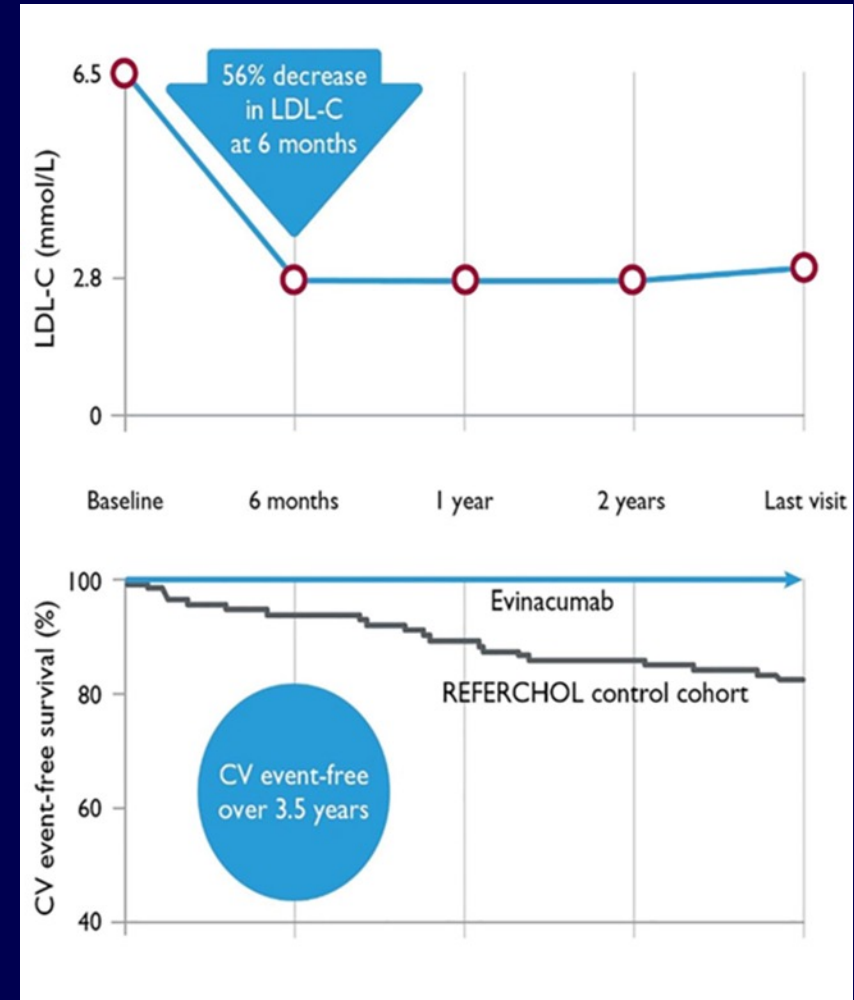
L'inhibition de ANGPTL3 induit une dérégulation des 2 lipases, avec un remodelage des VLDL générant des remnants éliminés de la circulation par des récepteurs autres que les LDL-récepteurs

Ainsi l'inhibition de ANGPTL3 limite la formation des particules LDL

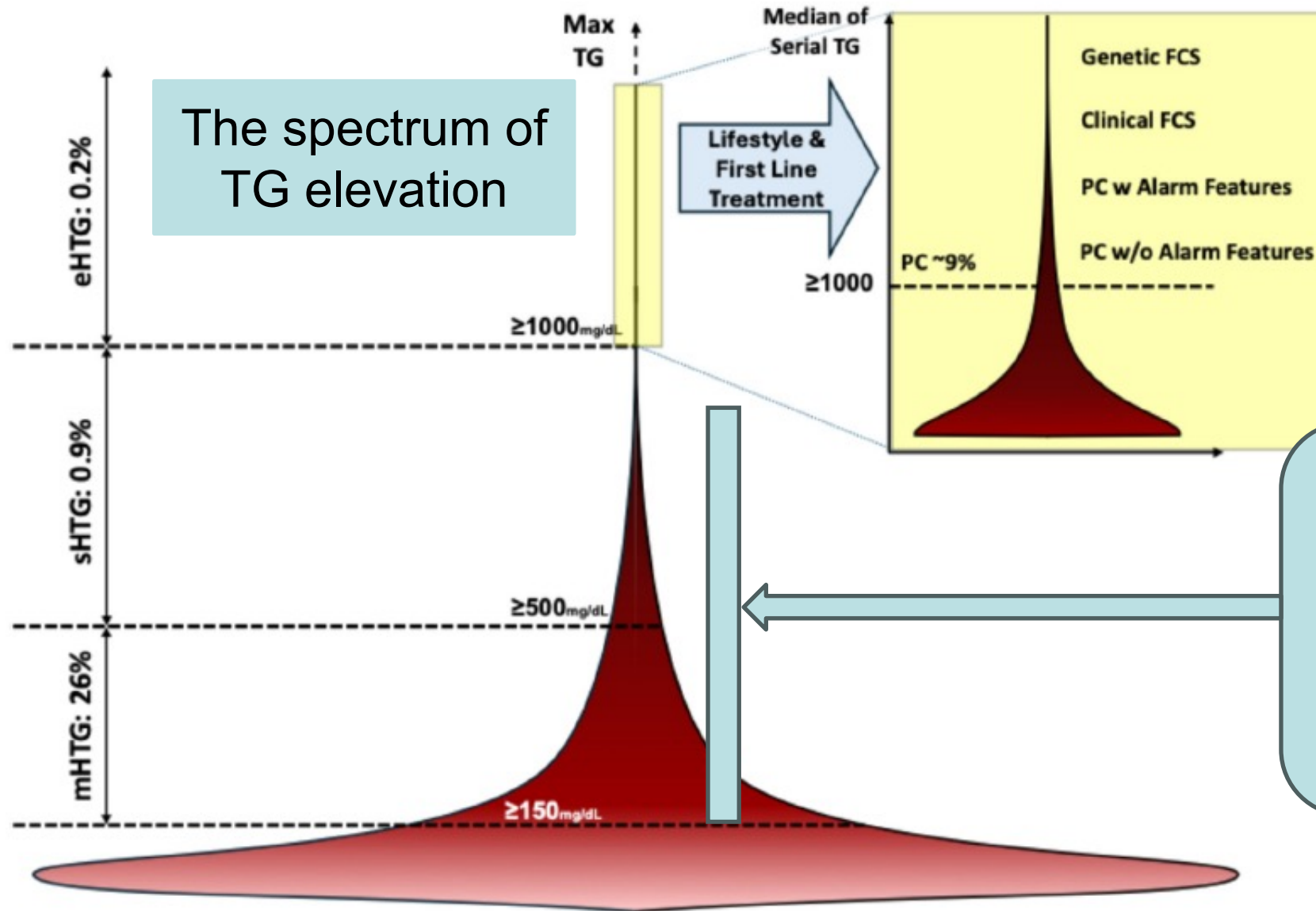
ANGPTL3 as a therapeutic target for HoFH



No patient on evinacumab experienced CV events vs 13 events for 5/21 (24%) in the control cohort ($p=0.0267$)



The spectrum of TG elevation



Le bénéfice des inhibiteurs d'ApoC3 et de ANGPTL3 en prévention CVaire reste à démontrer

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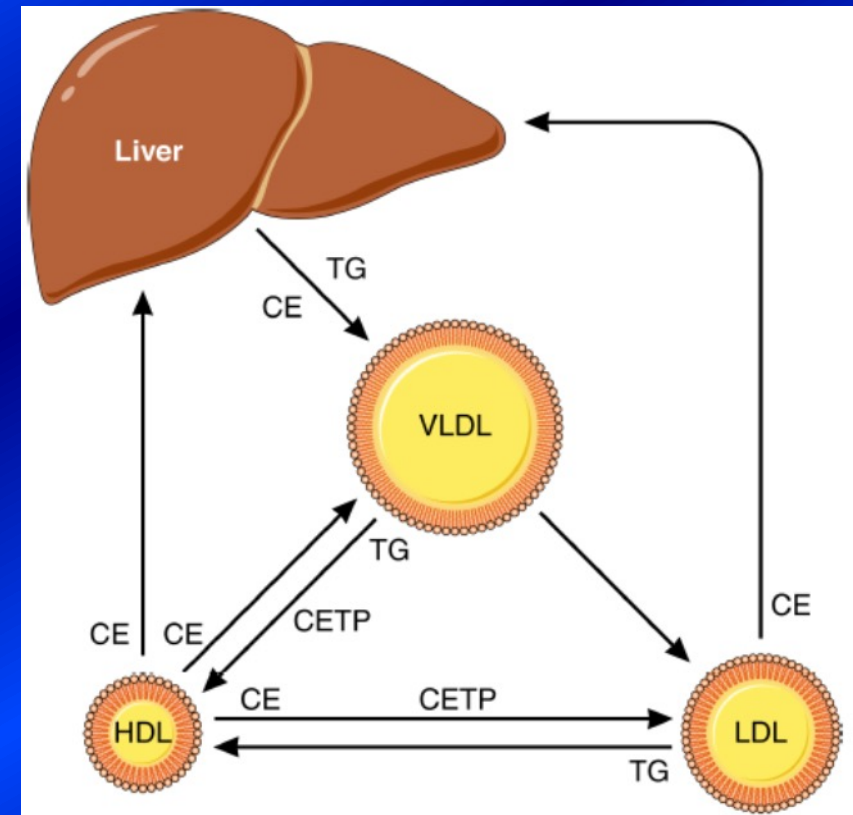
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Inhibiteurs de la CETP

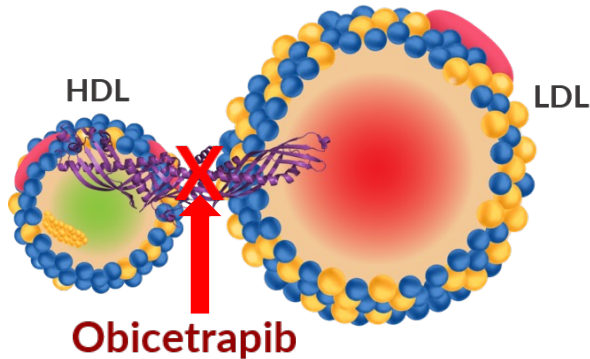
Clinical endpoint trials

- ILLUMINATE → Torcetrapib
- Dal-OUTCOMES → Dalcetrapib
- ACCELERATE → Evacetrapib
- REVEAL → Anacetrapib

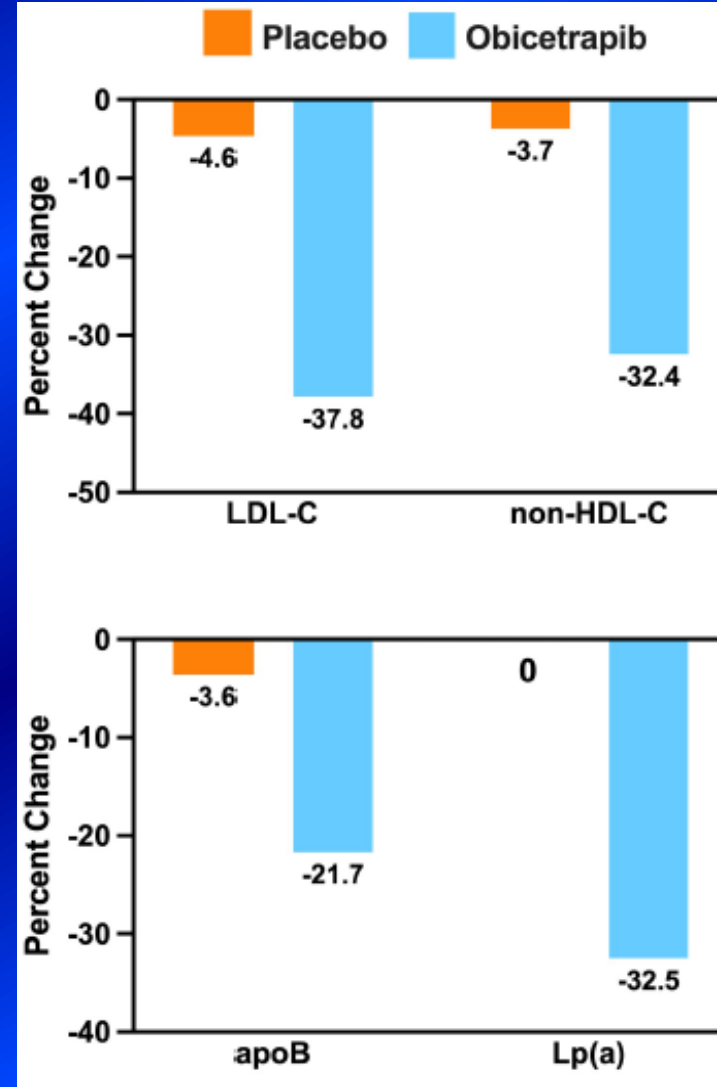
Activité de la CETP



Obicetrapib : CETP inhibitor



- 10 mg obicetrapib **inhibits CETP activity by up to 99%**
- This leads to **lower LDL-C** and **higher HDL-C** concentrations
- **LDL-C lowering through upregulation of LDL receptors** as a result of increased fractional catabolic rates of LDL and ApoB



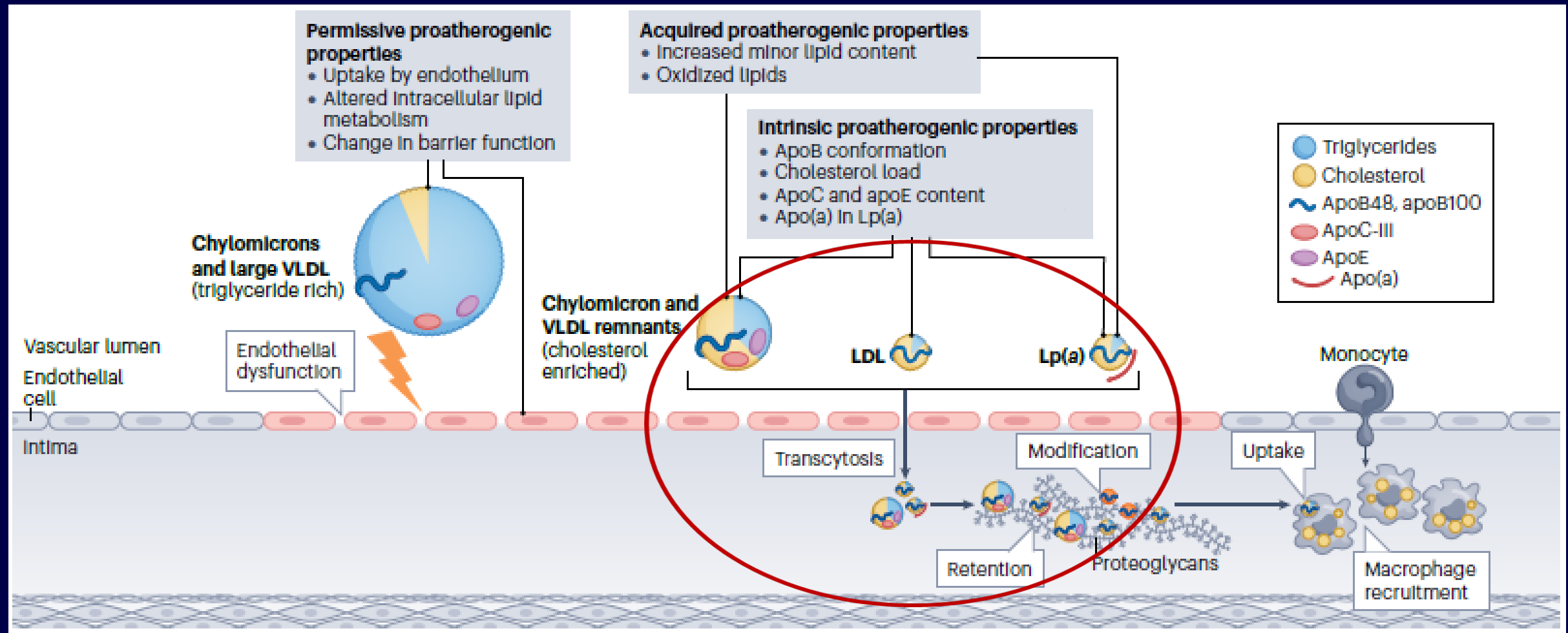
Ongoing CVOT:
PREVAIL
~9000 patients
With ASCVD

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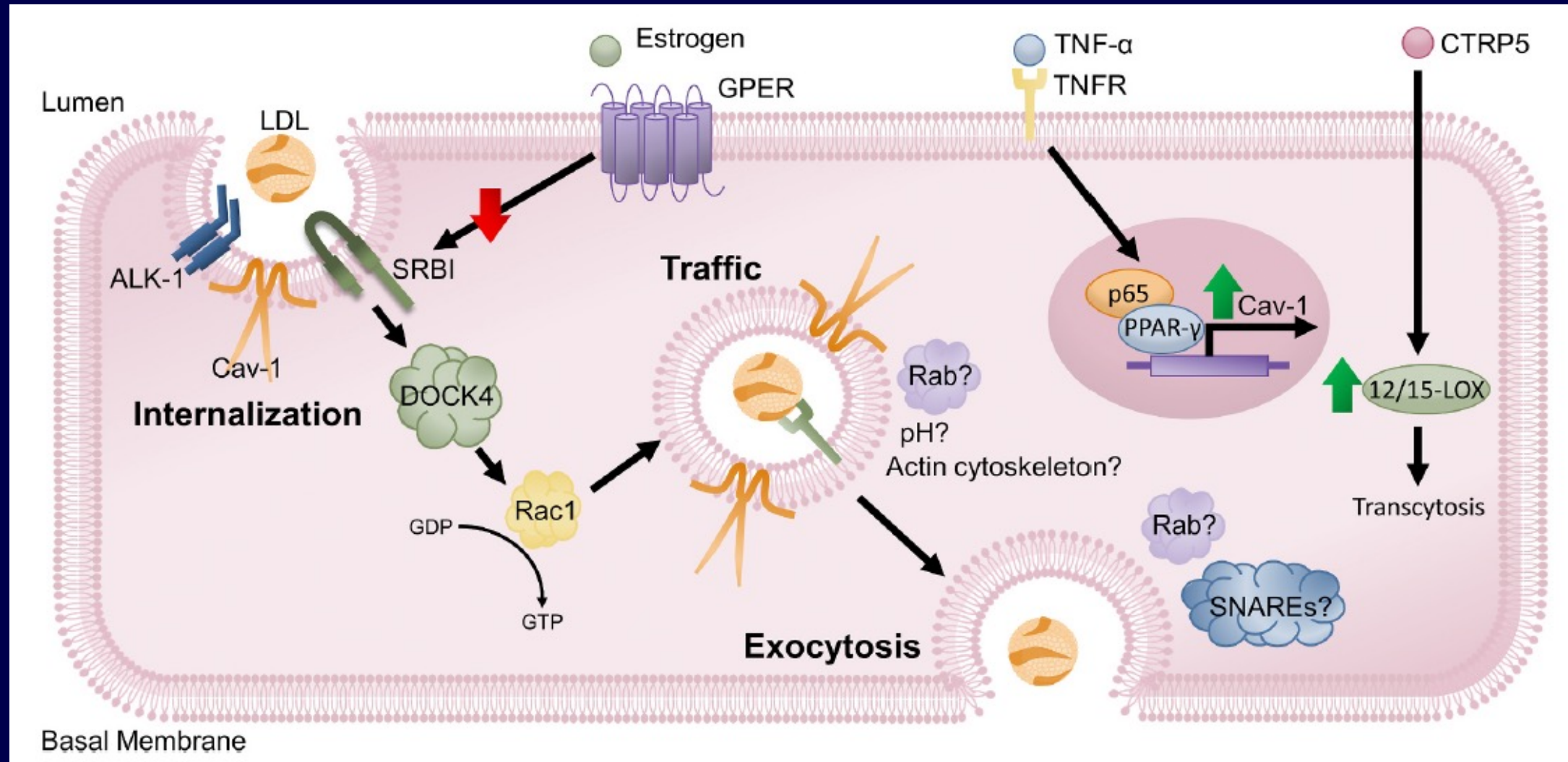
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Concepts in atherogenicity of apoB-containing Lp



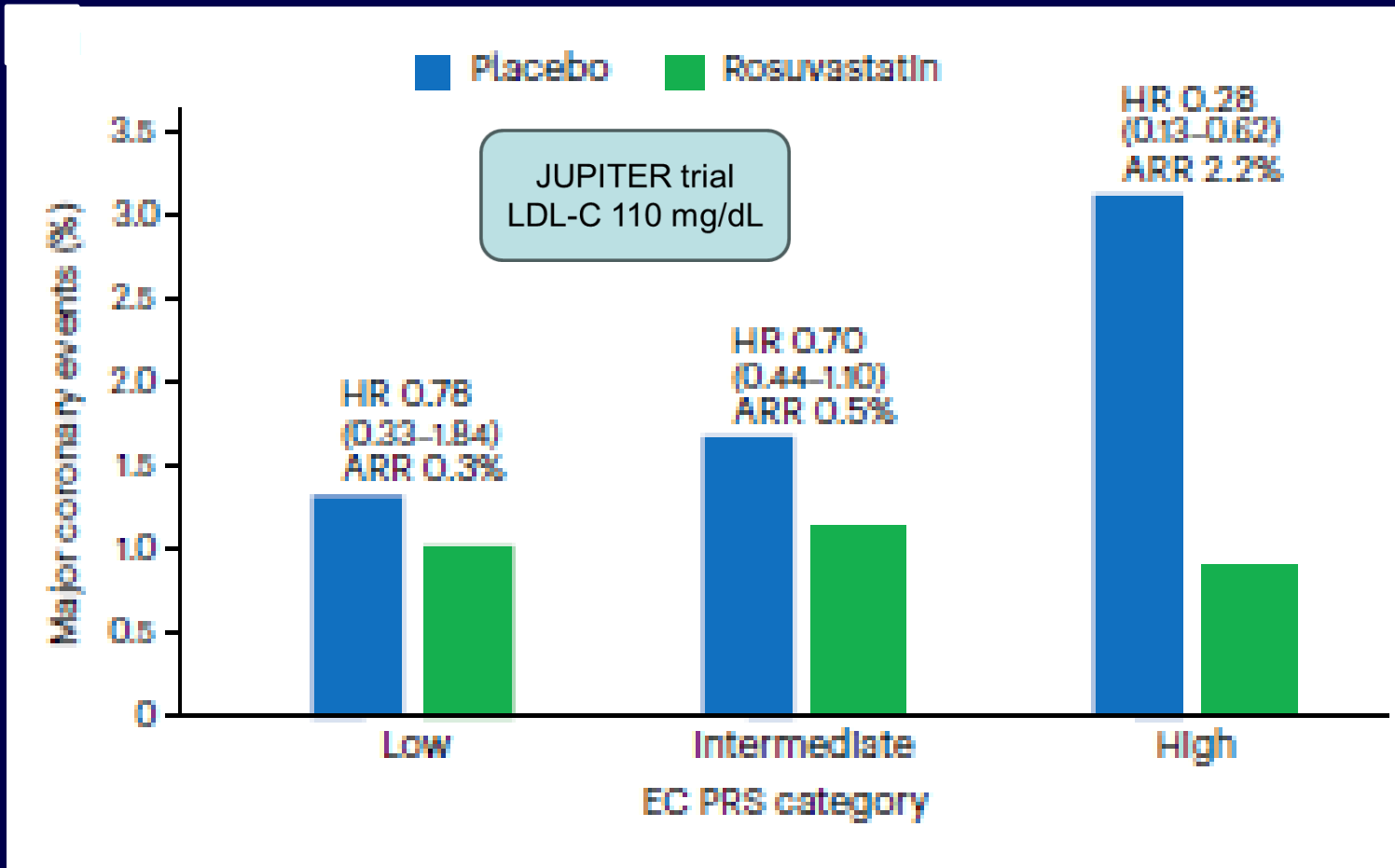
Model showing the regulation of transendothelial LDL transport



Endothelial cell-related genetic variants identify LDL cholesterol-sensitive individuals who derive greater benefit from aggressive lipid lowering

- From GWAS, identification of variants with effects on EC function
Construction of a 35 SNPs polygenic risk score (EC PRS)
- Association of the EC PRS with the ASCVD risk tested in 3 cohorts:
UK Biobank(UKBB), JUPITER and FOURIER

The association between genetically mediated EC dysfunction and major cardiovascular events

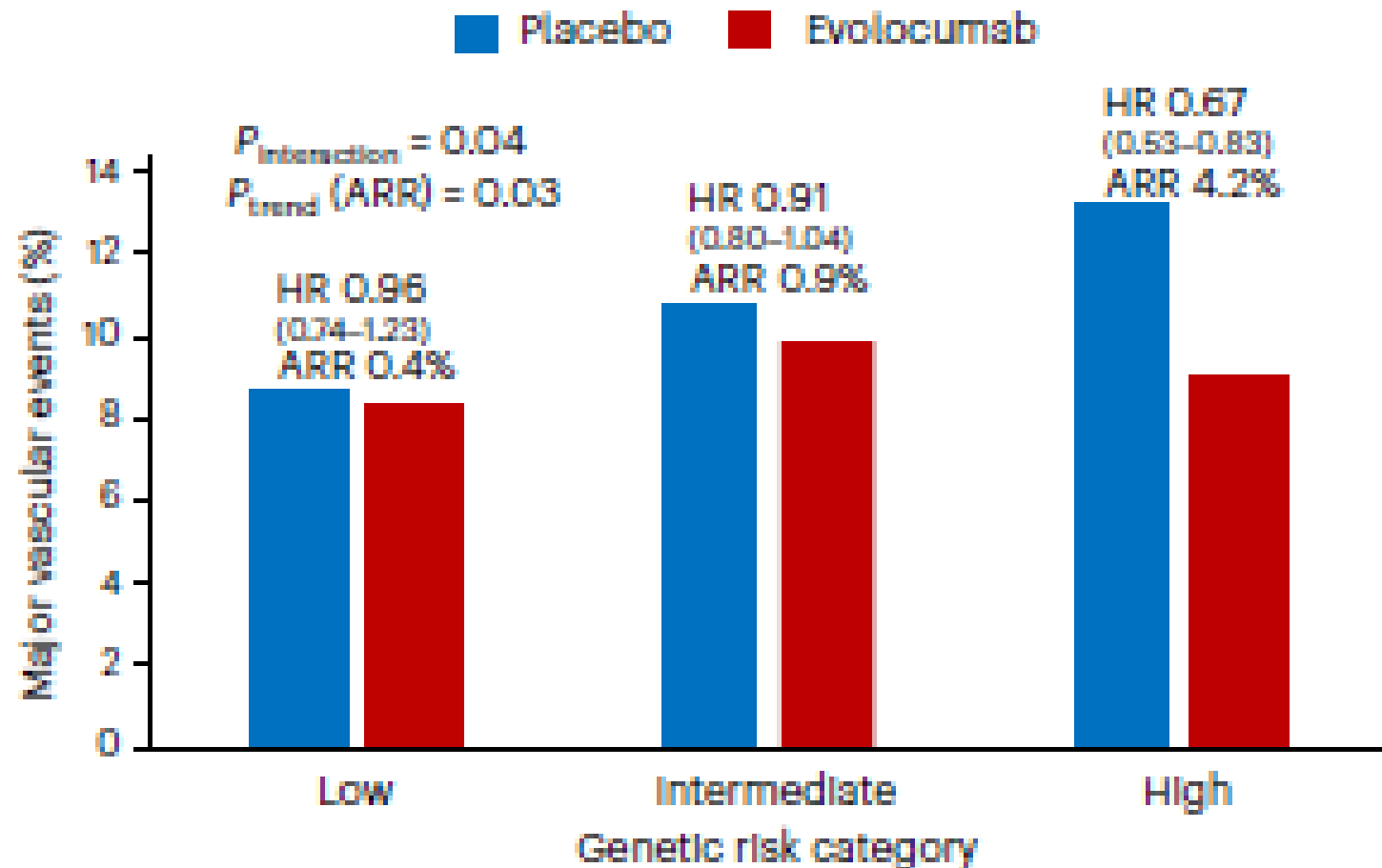


In subjects treated with a high-intensity statin (median LDL-C 54 mg/dL), the EC PRS no longer predicted the development of incident coronary events (HR per 1sd 1.06 (0.85-1.31))

Individuals with the highest degree of genetically predicted EC dysfunction benefited the most from aggressive lipid-lowering therapy

The association between genetically mediated EC dysfunction and major cardiovascular events

FOURIER trial



When patients were treated with a PCSK9 inhibitor, the EC PRS no longer predicted major vascular events (HR per 1sd 1.01 (0.94-1.09))

Individuals with high EC PRS had the greatest benefit with a 33% relative risk reduction (ARR 4.2%)

KEY MESSAGES

The development of atherosclerosis requires 2 key components :

- 1- a high level of circulating apoB-containing lipoproteins**
- 2- EC-mediated transcytosis of these lipid particles**

EC function seems to play a key role in the individual's susceptibility to a given LDL-C exposure
(some individuals may be protected from EC barrier disruption, which reduces the risk conferred by high levels of apoB-containing lipoproteins)

In the absence of sufficient circulating apoB lipoproteins, EC dysfunction alone seems unable to initiate atherosclerosis

En conclusion: prise en charge des dyslipidémies

- En prévention cardiovasculaire, la réduction des LDL reste et restera la priorité

3 classes complémentaires : statines, ézétimibe, inhibiteurs de PCSK9
- Les inhibiteurs de ApoC3 et ANGPTL3 sont un apport majeur pour traiter respectivement les HTG sévères et les patients HFHo
- Les bénéfices cardiovasculaires liés à l'inhibition de la Lp(a) et de la CETP restent à démontrer
- L'enjeu: "sélection" des patients à traiter/intensifier le traitement

Merci pour votre attention

