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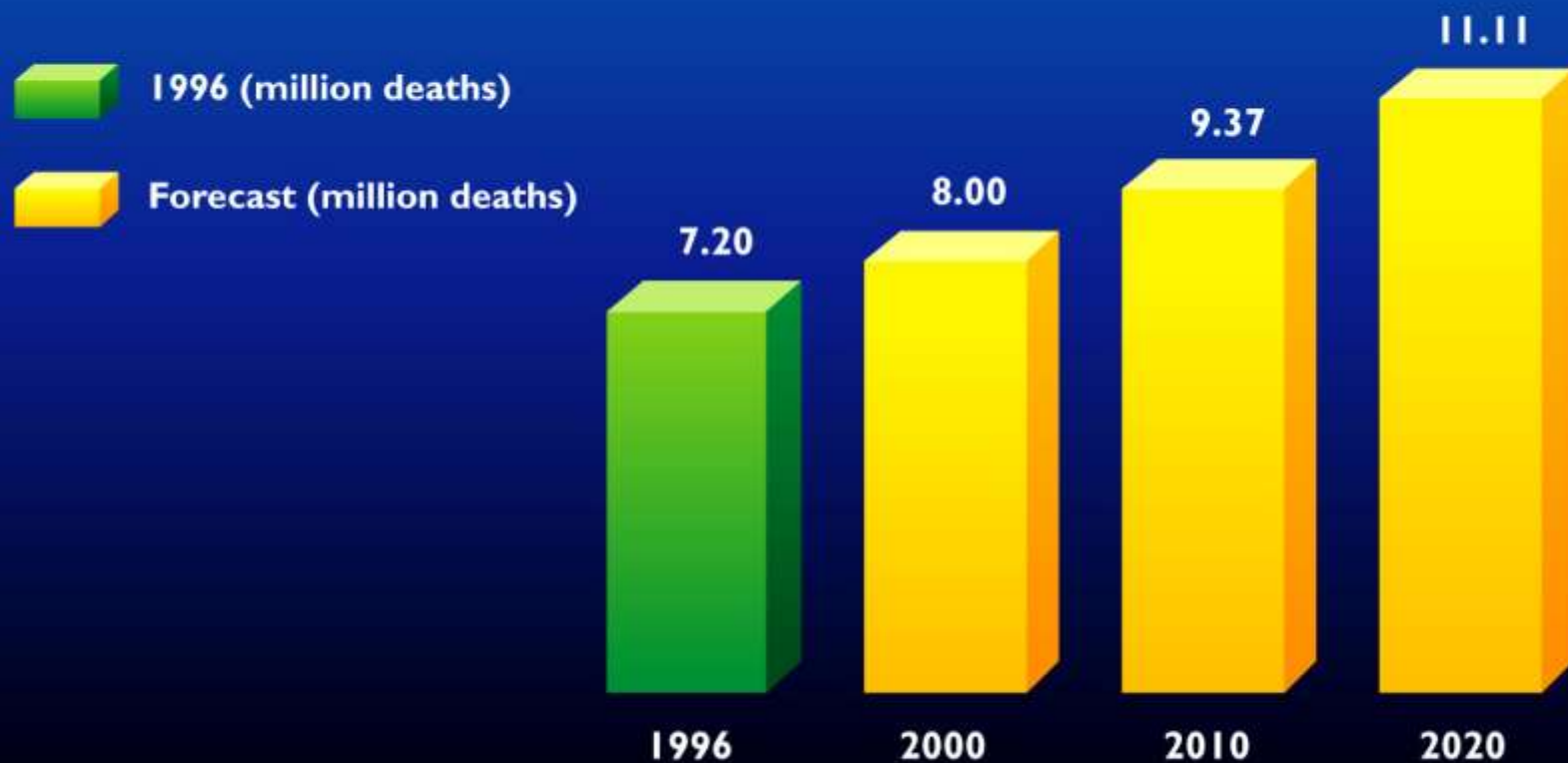


INCIDENZA ANNUALE DI MALATTIE CARDIOVASCOLARI NEL MONDO



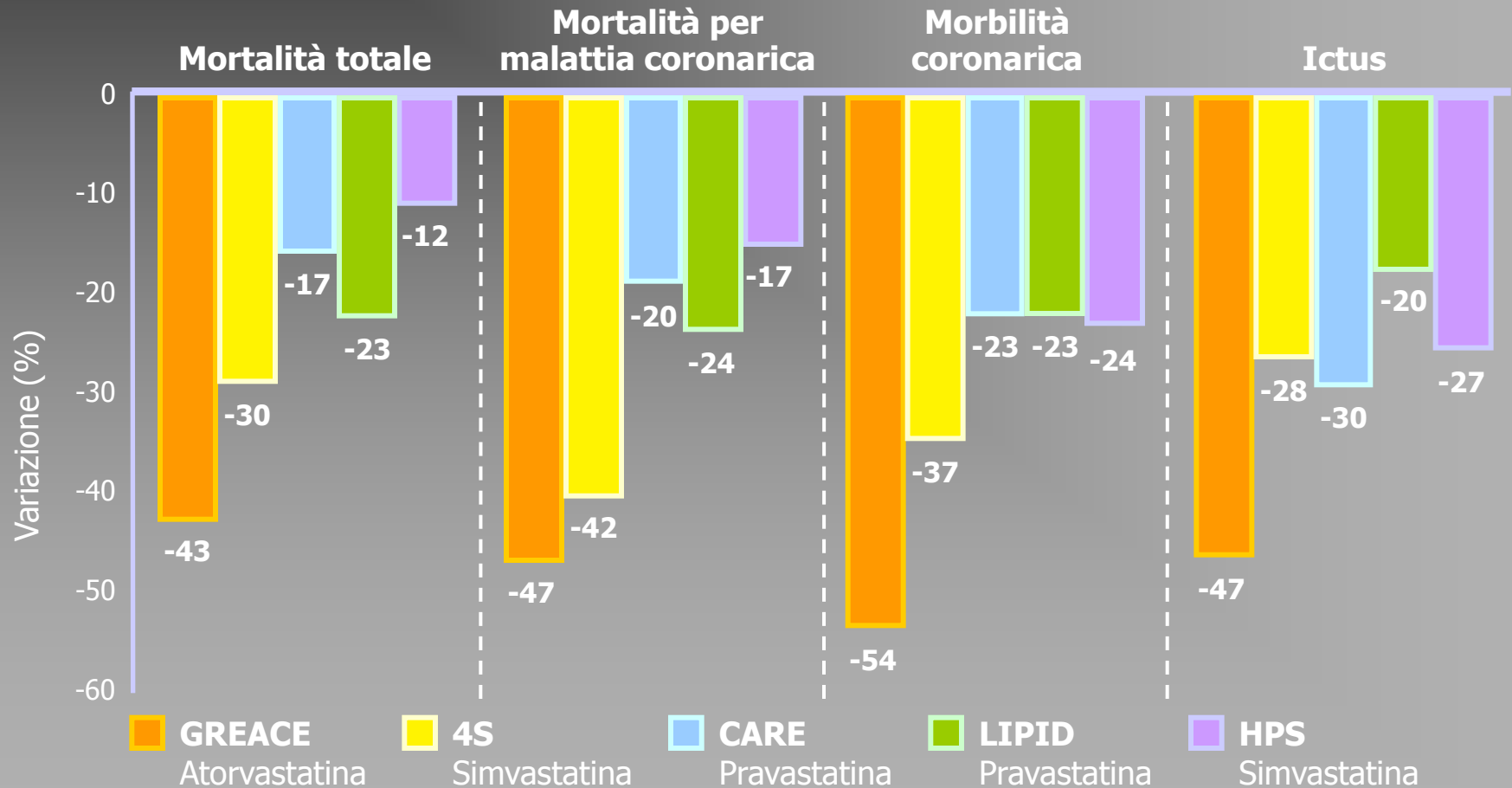
Incidenza basata su dati del 1995 (AHA)

Mortalità per coronaropatia

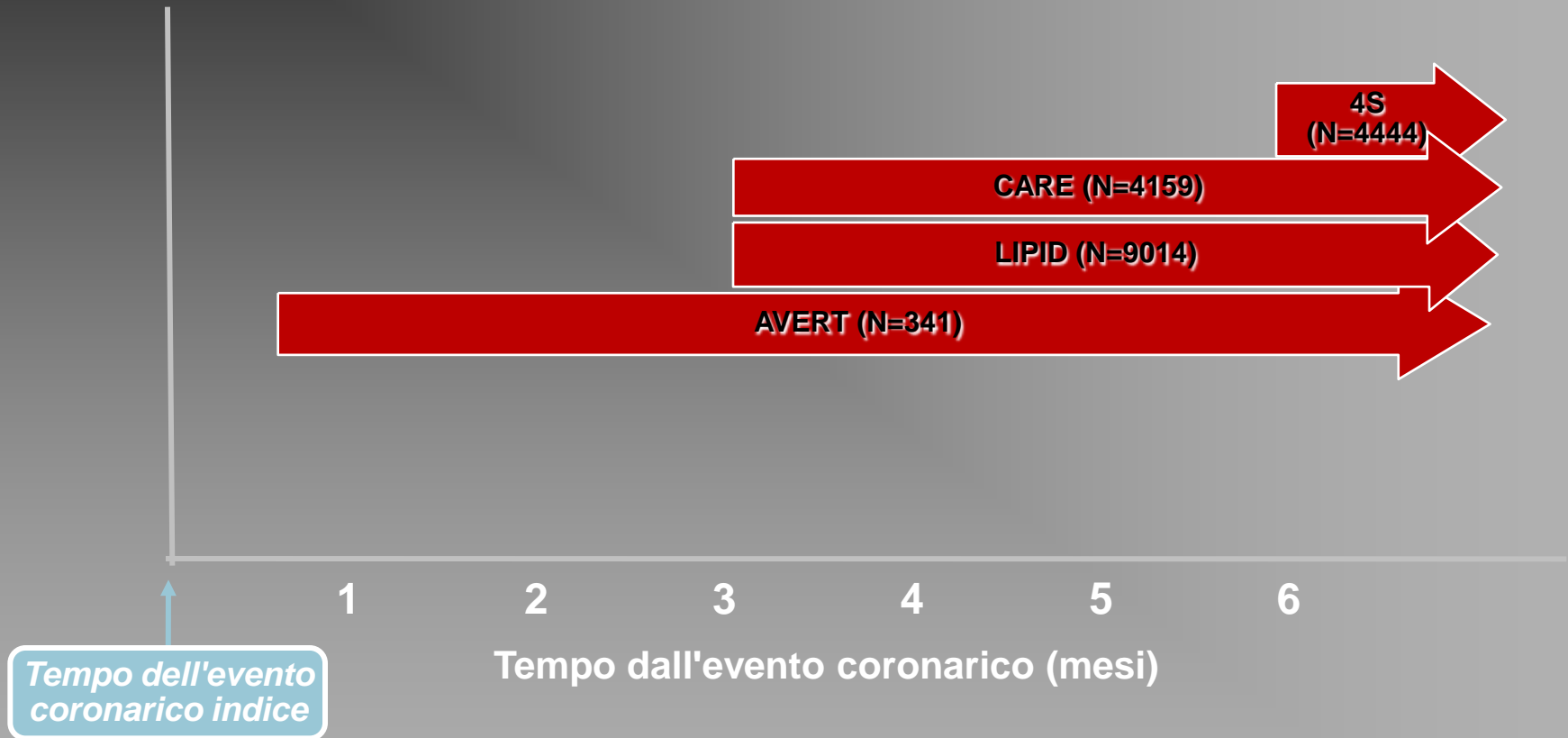


LE STATINE RIDUCONO LA MORTALITA' E LA MORBILITA' NEL CORONAROPATICO CRONICO

GREACE, 4S, CARE, LIPID, HPS



I PRIMI STUDI IMPORTANTI SULLE STATINE ESCLUDEVANO I PAZIENTI CON SCA



4S=Scandinavian Simvastatin Survival Study; CARE=Cholesterol and Recurrent Events; LIPID=Long-Term Intervention with Pravastatin in Ischaemic Disease; AVERT=Atorvastatin VErSUS Revascularization Treatments.

Scandinavian Simvastatin Survival Study Group. Lancet. 1994;344:1383-1389. Lewis SJ et al. Ann Intern Med. 1998;129:681-689; LIPID Study Group. N Engl J Med. 1998;339:1349-1357; McCormick LS et al. Am J Cardiol. 1997;80:1130-1133.

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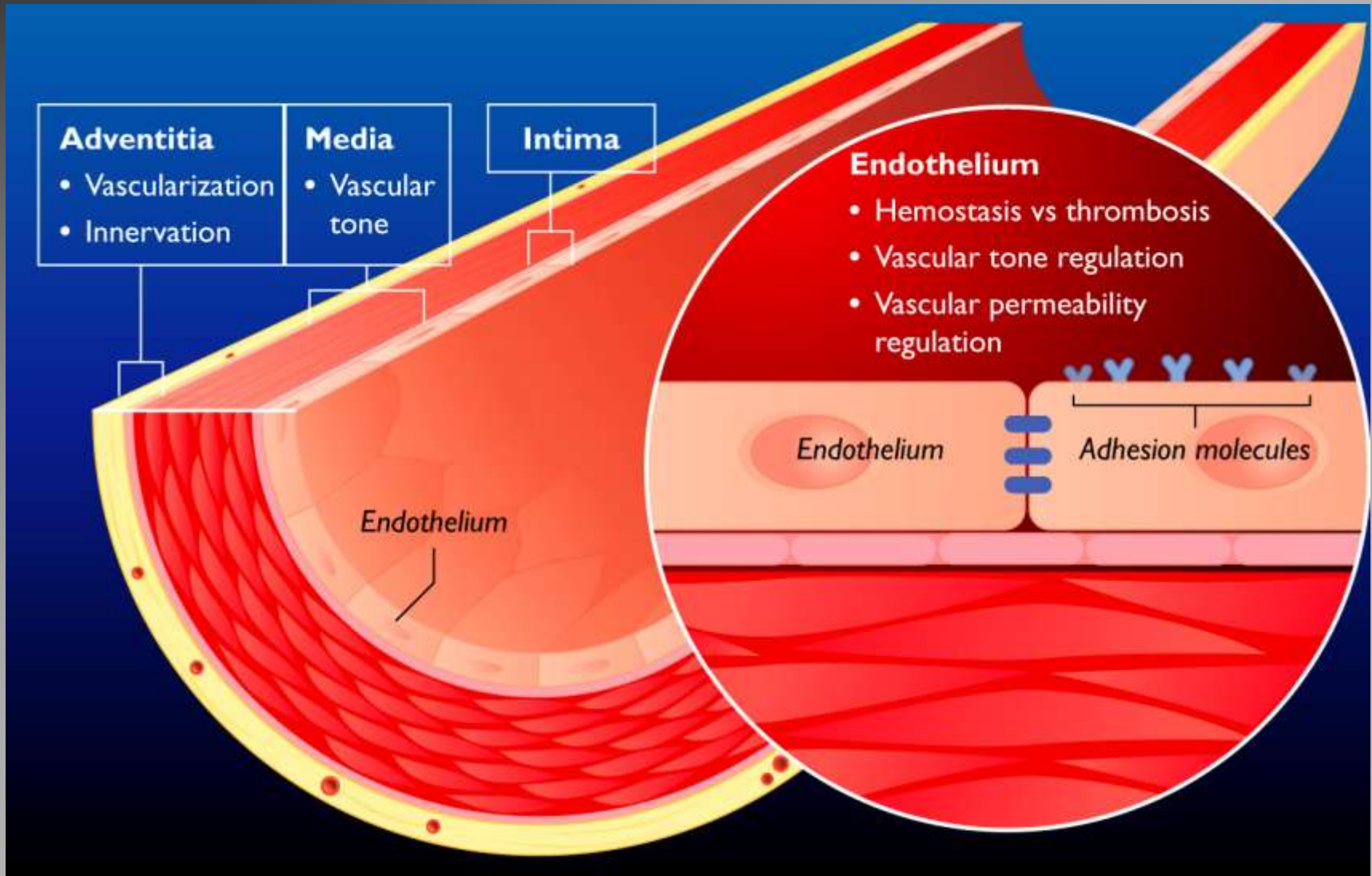
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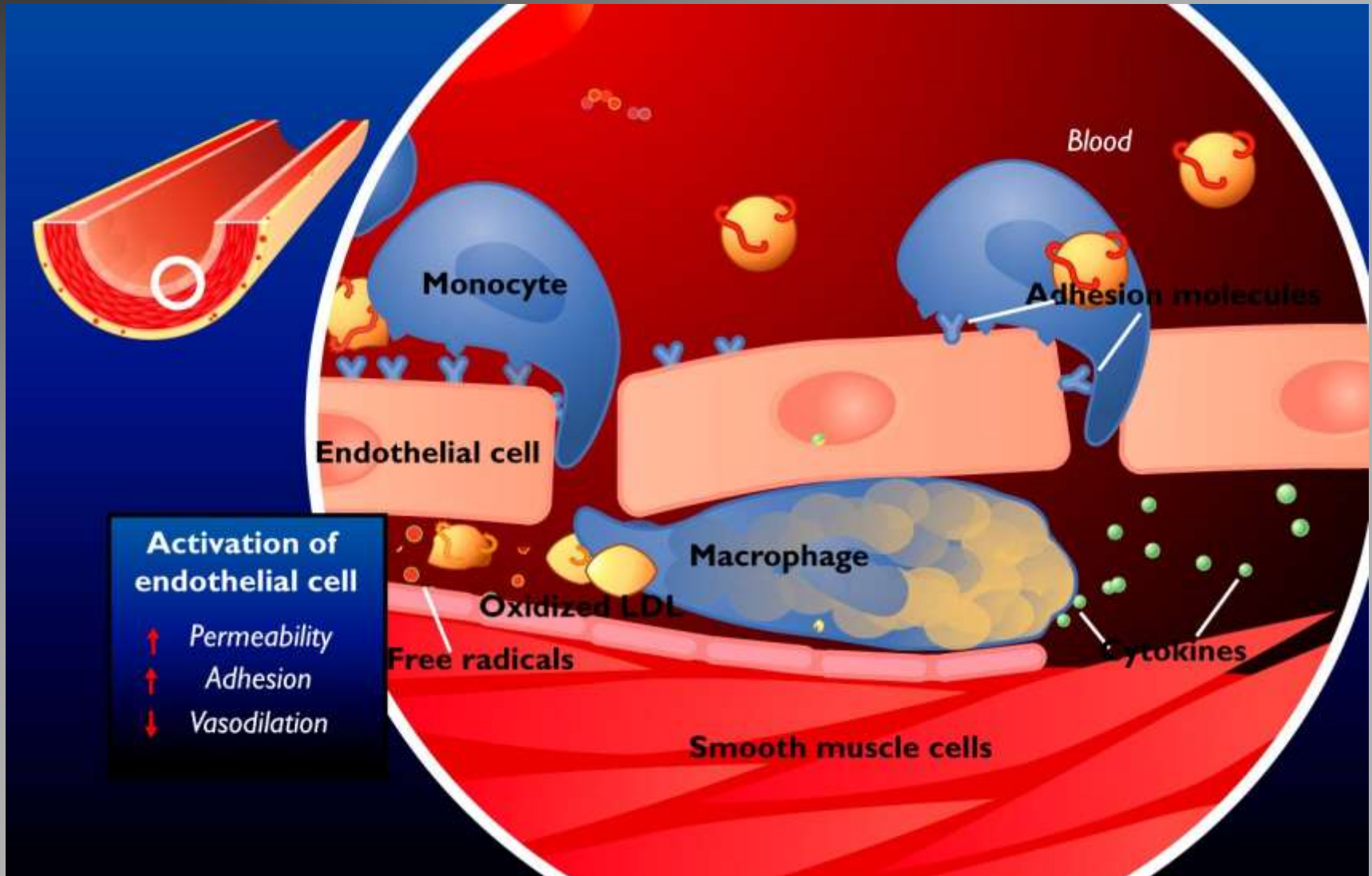
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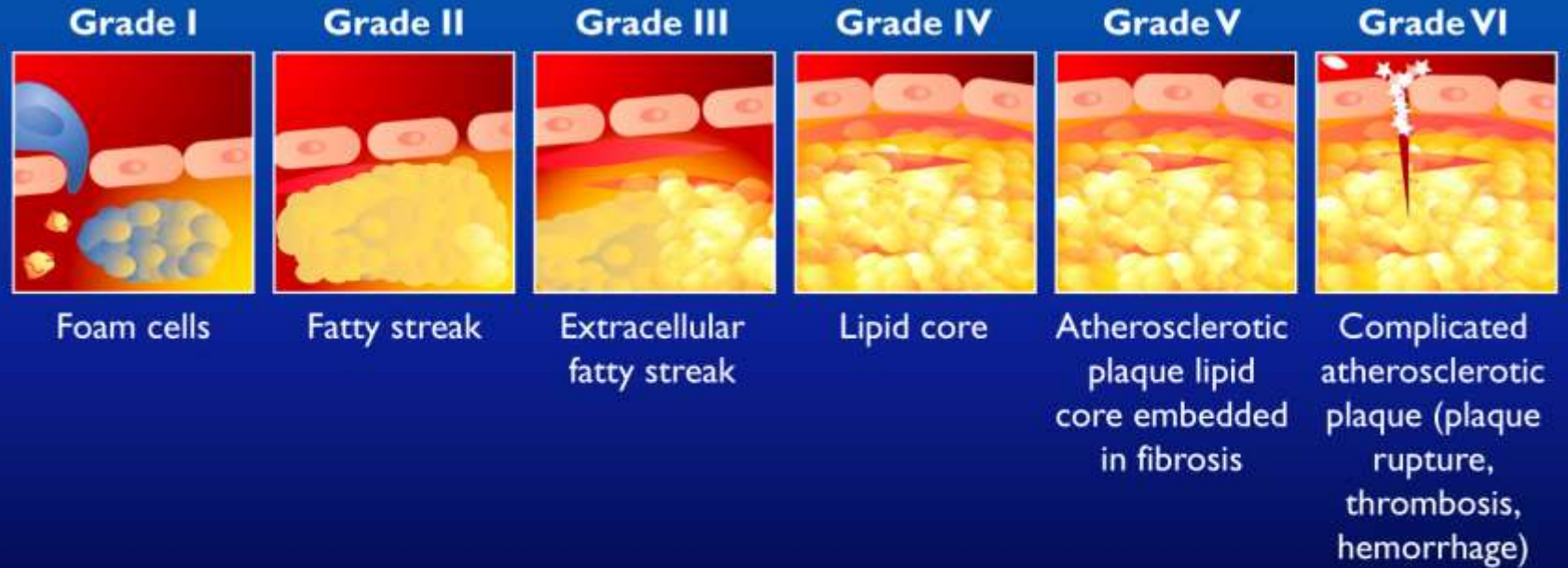
Parete arteriosa: struttura e funzione



Alterazioni endoteliali nell'aterosclerosi



Differenti stadi di sviluppo della placca aterosclerotica



- Intra- and extracellular accumulation of lipids
- Formation of lipid core

Development of fibrosis surrounding lipid core

- Plaque growth
- Atherothrombosis
- Plaque rupture

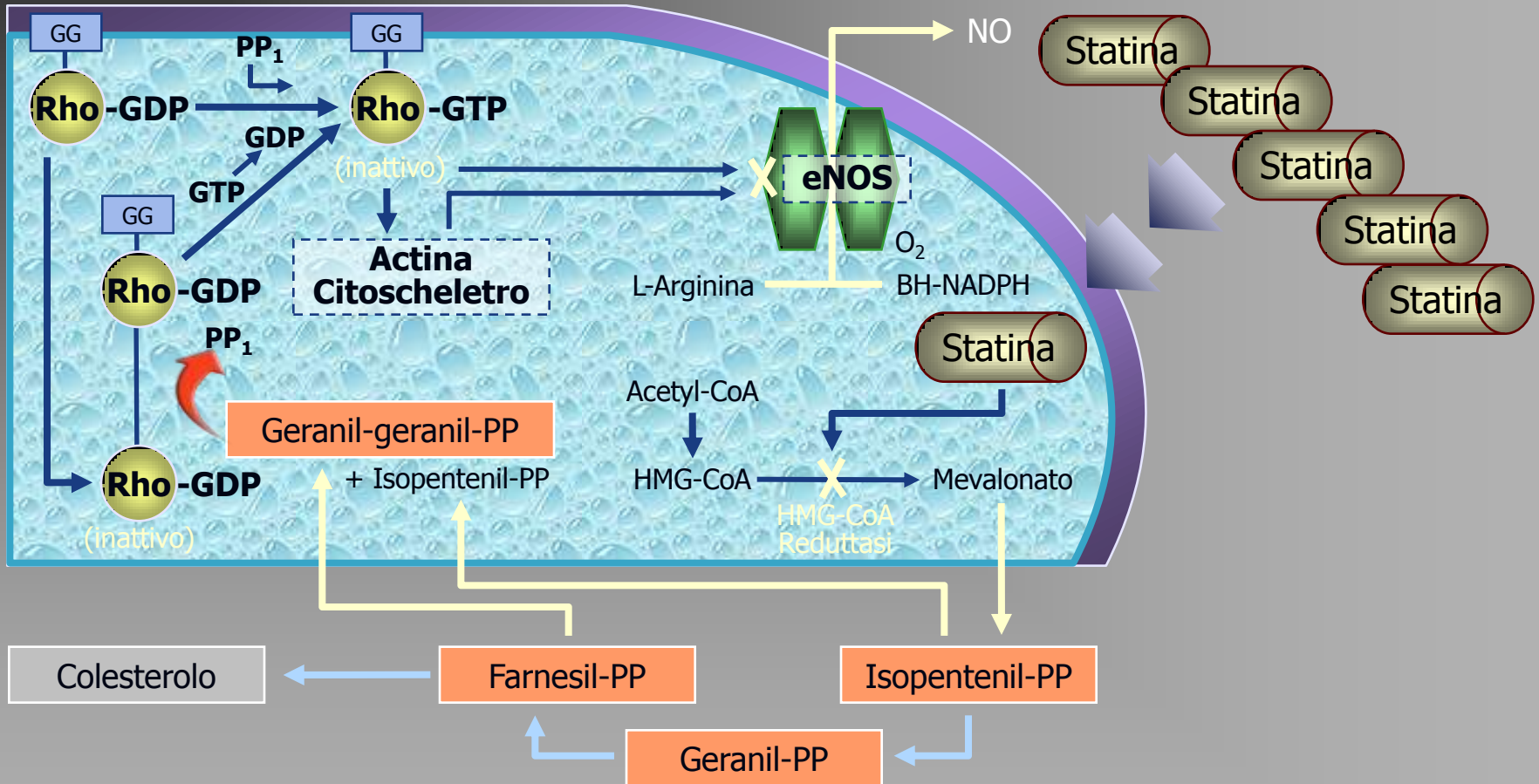
— Asymptomatic — | — Eventual clinical events — |

PLEIOTROPISMO

PLEIOTROPISMO: EFFETTI BENEFICI DI UN FARMACO NON CORRELATI AL PRINCIPALE EFFETTO DEL FARMACO STESSO.

NEL CASO DELLE STATINE SONO DA CONSIDERARE GLI EFFETTI NON DERIVABILI DIRETTAMENTE DALLA DIMINUZIONE DEL COLESTEROLO

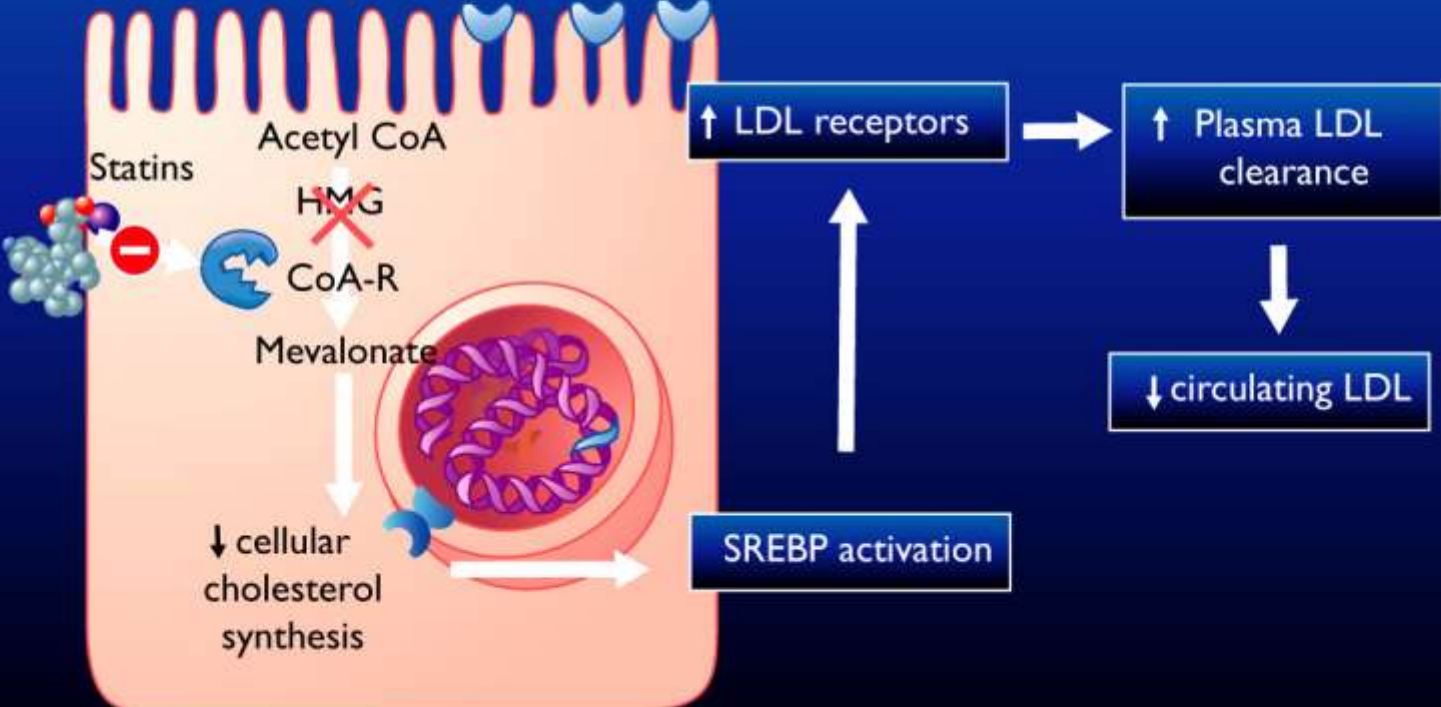
Meccanismo d'azione delle statine



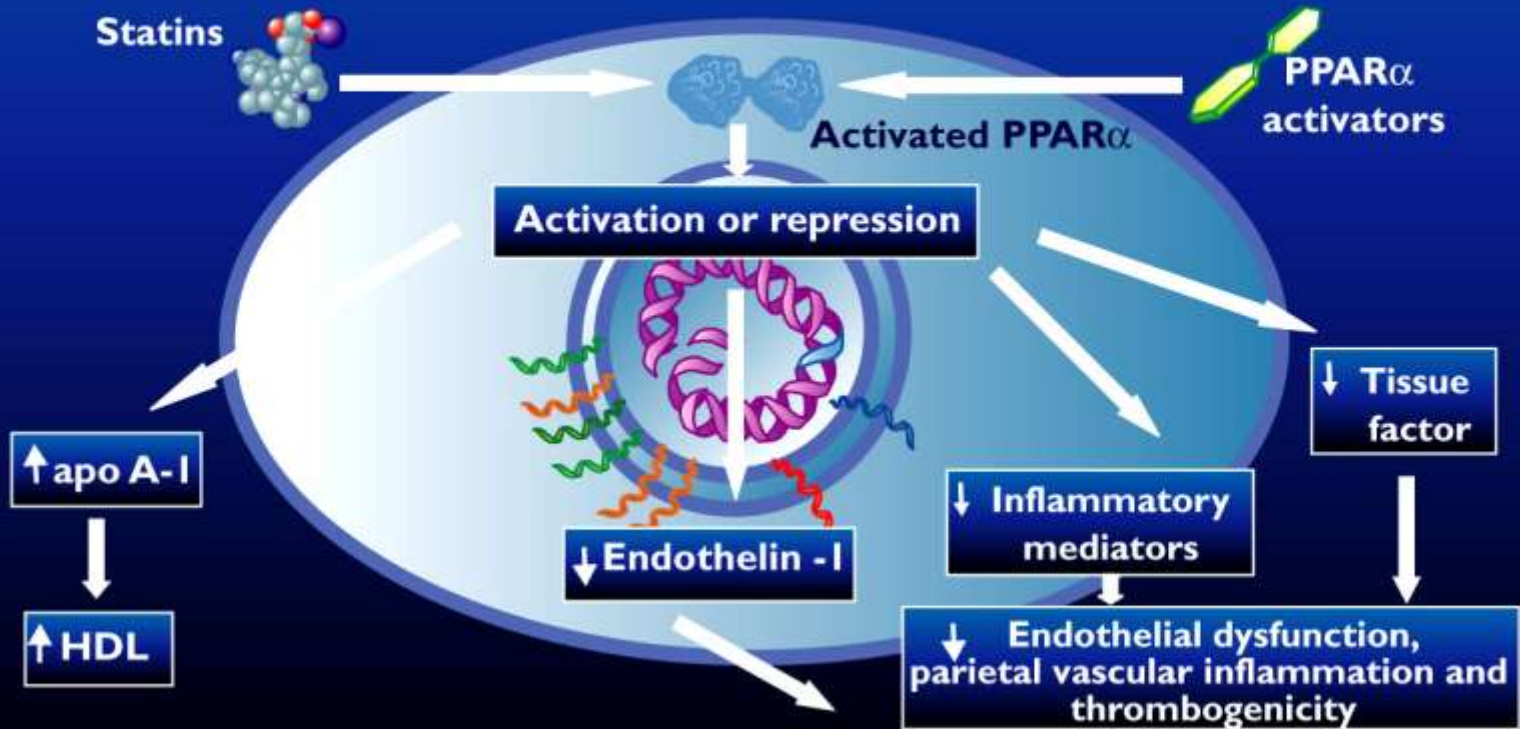
Le statine determinano un'up-regulation dell'eNOS. Le statine bloccano la biosintesi degli isoprenoidi e di colesterolo. L'isoprenoide geranyl-geranyl-pirofosfato (GG-PP) è importante per la traslocazione sulla membrana e la funzione del fattore Rho.

Il fattore Rho, a sua volta, regola negativamente l'espressione di eNOS agendo sull'actina del citoscheletro.

SREBP feedback control



Parietal vascular effects



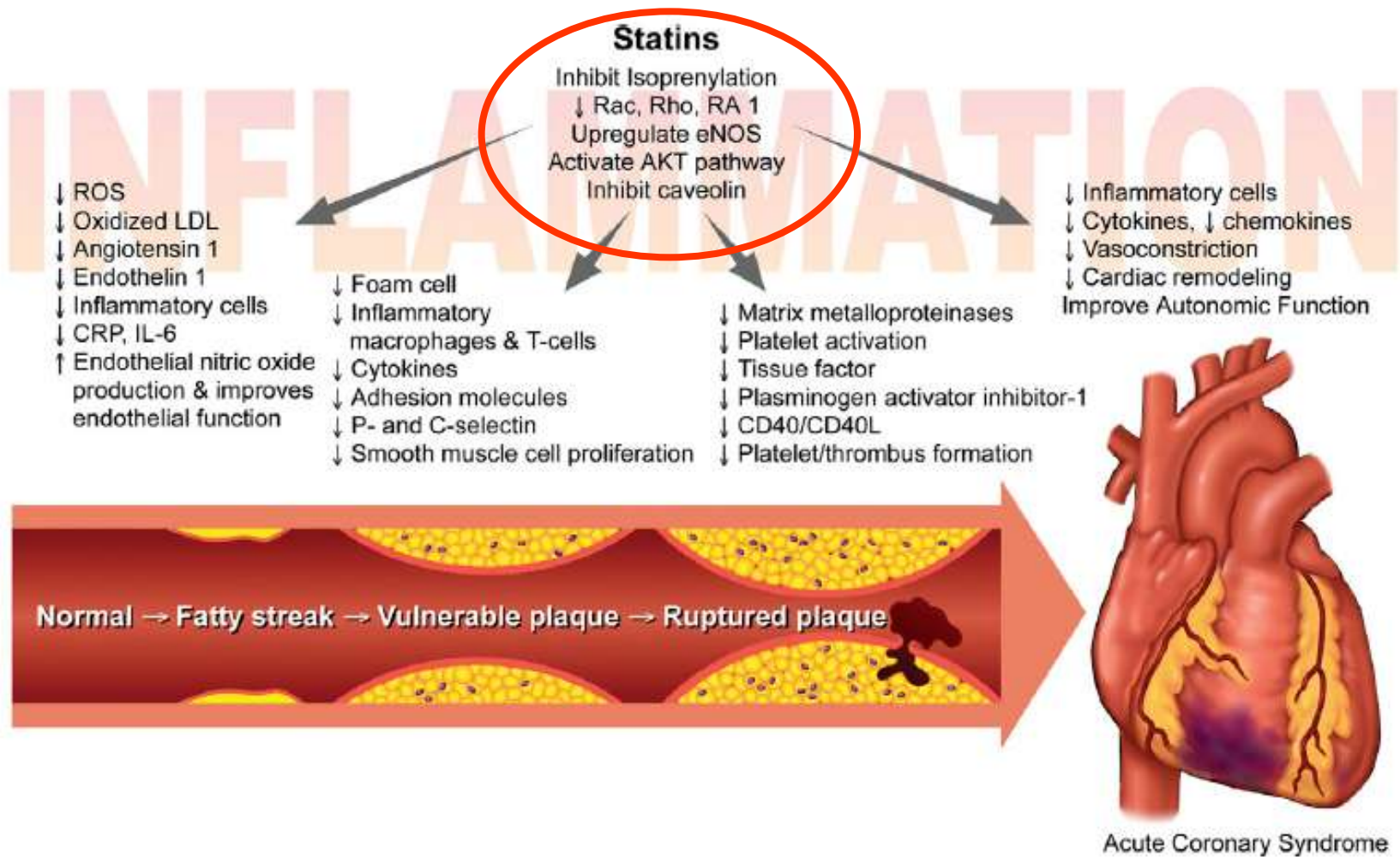
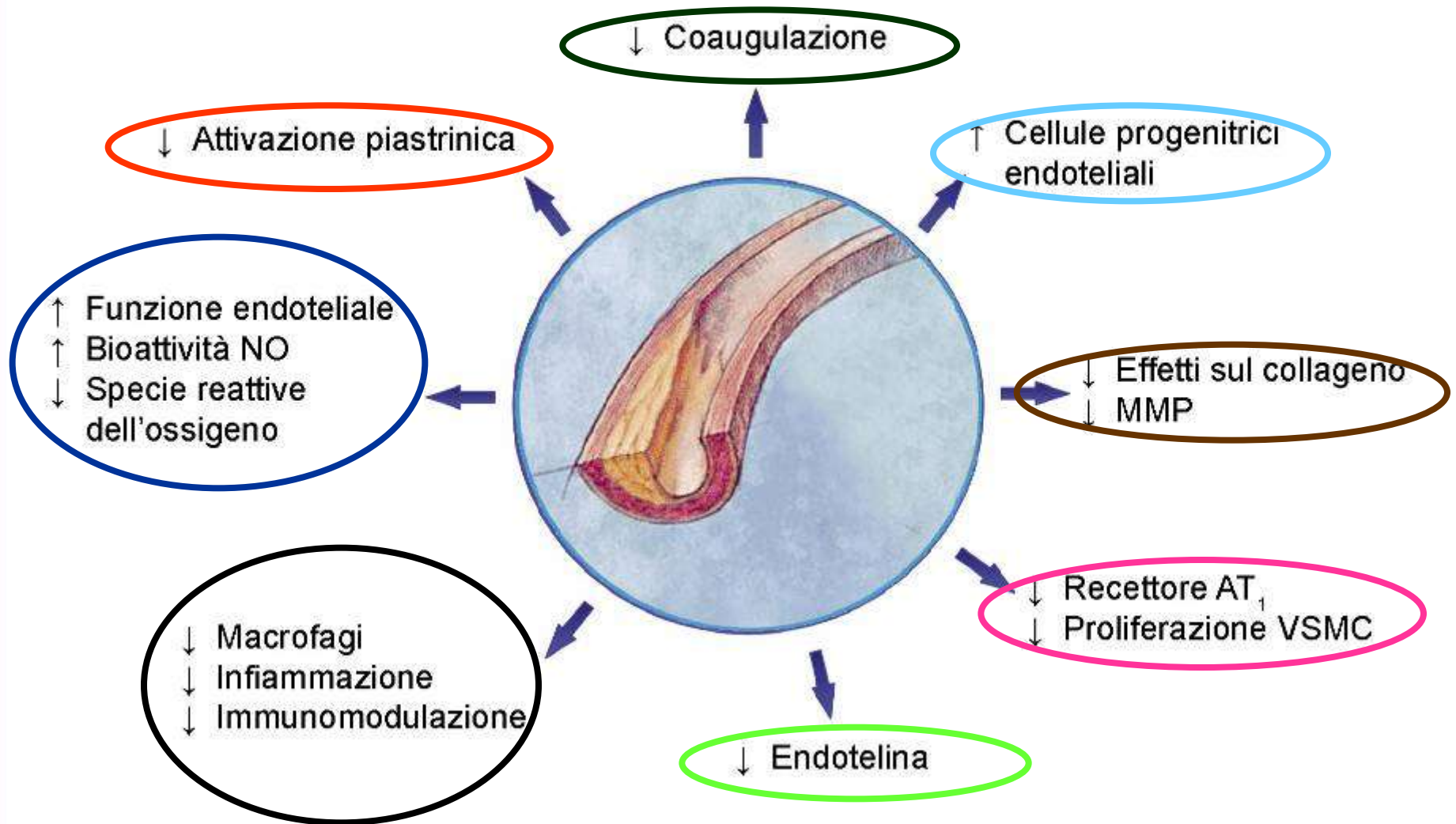


Figure 2 The role inflammation in the pathogenesis of coronary artery disease and ACSs. RAC and Rho, G-protein subunits; RA 1, Rap-activated 1; eNOS, endothelial nitric oxide synthase; ROS, reactive oxygen species; CRP, high-sensitivity C-reactive protein; IL-6, interleukin 6.

Effetti pleiotropici delle statine



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STUDI OSSERVAZIONALI SUGGERISCONO BENEFICI POTENZIALI DELLA TERAPIA IPOLIPEMIZZANTE IN SCA

Studio	Pazienti (N)	Pazienti in terapia ipolipidemizzante (%)	Riduzione del rischio osservata con terapia ipolipidemizzante
GRACE	15,481*	38†	Durante ospedalizzazione OR 0.87, P=0.05
NRMI 4	148,106*	14.8†	Durante ospedalizzazione OR 0.23, P<.001
PRISM	1616	23†	30-giorni OR 0.49, P=.004
SYMPHONY & SYMPHONY II	12,365	47†	90-giorni HR 1.08, mortalità 1-anno HR 0.99
PURSUIT/ GUSTO IIb	20,809	18‡	6-mesi OR 0.48, P<.0001
OPUS-TIMI 16	10,288	38†	1-anno OR 0.58, P<.0001
Swedish Register (RIKS-HIA)	19,599	28†	1-anno OR 0.75, P=.001

GRACE=Global Registry of Acute Coronary Events; NRMI=National Registry of Myocardial Infarction; PRISM=Platelet Receptor Inhibition in Ischemic Management; SYMPHONY=Sibrafiban vs Aspirin to Yield Maximum Protection from Ischemic Heart Events Post-acute Coronary Syndromes; PURSUIT=Platelet Glycoprotein IIb/IIIa in Unstable Angina: Receptor Suppression Using Integrilin Therapy; GUSTO=Global Use of Streptokinase or t-PA for Occluded Coronary Arteries; OPUS-TIMI=Oral glycoprotein IIb/IIIa inhibition with orbofiban in patients with unstable coronary syndromes; RIKS-HIA=Register of Information and Knowledge About Swedish Heart Intensive Care Administration.

*Pazienti precedentemente non trattati con statine; †Solo terapia con statine; ‡qualsiasi terapia di riduzione dei lipidi; OR=odds ratio; HR=hazard ratio.

Stenestrand U et al. JAMA. 2001;285:430-436; Cannon CP et al. J Am Coll Cardiol. 2001;35:334A; Heeschen C et al. Circulation. 2002;105:1446-1452; Newby LK et al. JAMA. 2002;287:3087-3095; Aronow HD et al. Lancet. 2001;357:1063-1068; Spencer FA et al. Ann Intern Med. 2004;140:857-866; Fonarow GC et al. Am J Cardiol. 2005;96:611-616.

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 ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTION

Early Statin Treatment Following Acute Myocardial Infarction and 1-Year Survival

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for the Swedish Register of
Cardiac Intensive Care (RIKS-HIA)

Context Randomized trials have established statin treatment as secondary prevention in coronary artery disease, but it is unclear whether early treatment with statins following acute myocardial infarction (AMI) influences survival.

Objective To evaluate the association between statin treatment initiated before or at the time of hospital discharge and 1-year mortality after AMI.

DATI SWEDISH REGISTER OF CARDIAC INTENSIVE CARE

1995 -1998

58 OSPEDALI SVEDESI

19599 PAZIENTI

5528 TRATTATI CON STATINA

14071 NON TRATTATI

ESPERIENZE - REGISTRI

END POINT – MORTALITA' AD 1 ANNO

GRUPPO NO STATINA: 1307/14071 – 9.3%

GRUPPO STATINA : 219/5528 - 4.0%

Relative risk 0.75, 95% C.I. P = 0.001

LIMITI: bias trattamento (pazienti più giovani, miglior classe funzionale, minor numero diabetici)

ESPERIENZE - REGISTRI

Effect of Statin Use Within the First 24 Hours of Admission for Acute Myocardial Infarction on Early Morbidity and Mortality[†]

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Paul D. Fredrick, MPH, MBA^e, Wei Dong, MD, PhD^g, Nathan Every, MD, PhD^f, and
William J. French, MD^b, for the National Registry of Myocardial Infarction 4 Investigators

**NATIONAL REGISTRY of MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION 4
LUGLIO 2000 – GENNAIO 2002
1230 OSPEDALI U.S.A.**

300.823 PAZIENTI (ANALISI PER 174.635 pt)

**END POINT PRIMARIO: MORTE INTRAOSPEDALIERA
END POOINT SECONDARIO: EVENTI IN OSPEDALE**

ESPERIENZE - REGISTRI

4 GRUPPI

1. Pts che già assumevano statina al ricovero = 17.118 Y/Y
2. Pts che l'hanno iniziata entro 24 h dal ricovero = 21.978 N/Y
3. Pts che non hanno ricevuto statine nel ricovero = 126.128 N/N
4. Pts che assumevano statina sospesa nel ricovero = 9.411 Y/N

NATIONAL REGISTRY of MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION 4

LUGLIO 2000 – GENNAIO 2002

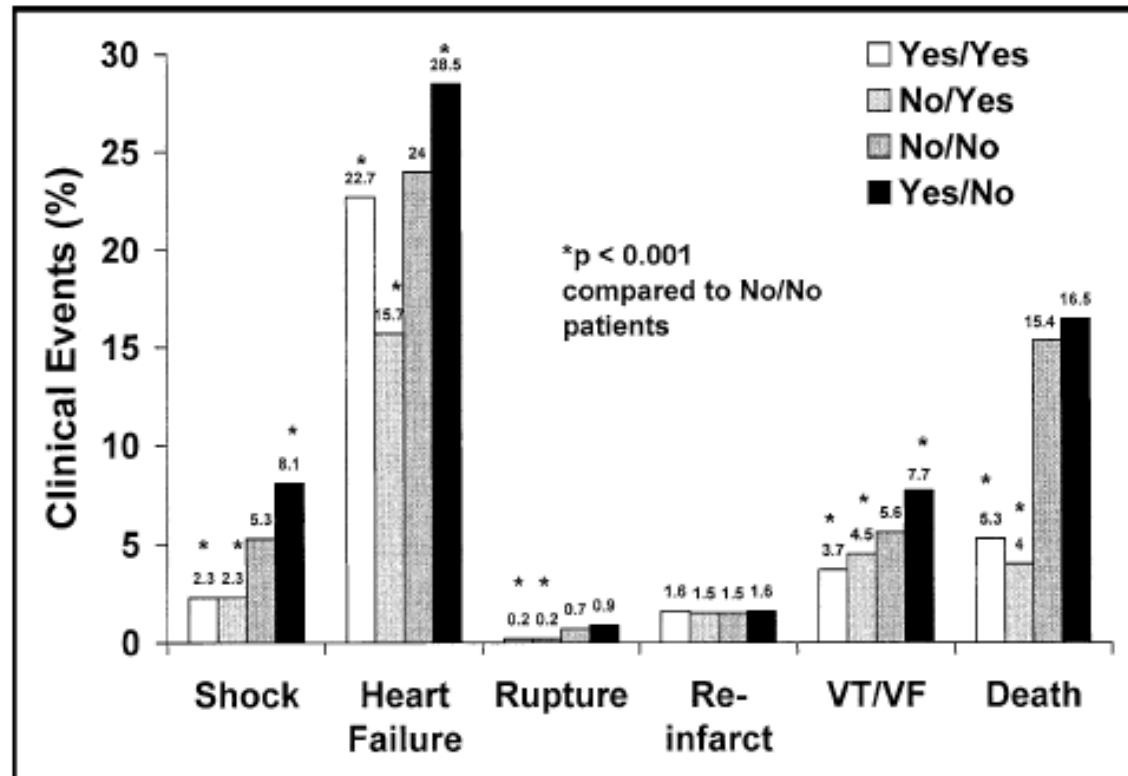


Figure 1. Clinical events by statin use before hospitalization and within the first 24 hours after hospitalization (unadjusted). VT/VF = ventricular tachycardia/ventricular fibrillation.

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PROVE IT	AMI – UA 4162 pz	10 GG	Atorvastatina 80 mg vs Pravastatina 40 mg	18-36 mesi	<u>P = 0.05</u>
MIRACLE	AMI – UA 3086 pz	1-4 GG	Atorvastatina 80 mg vs placebo	4 mesi	<u>p = 0.048</u>
PACT	AMI – UA 3048 pz	1 g	Pravastatina 20 o 40 mg vs placebo	1	<u>p = n.s.</u>
A to Z	AMI – UA 4497 pz	1	Simvastatina 40 » 80 mg vs placebo » Simvastatina 20 mg	24	<u>p = 0.14</u>
ARMYDA- ACS	NSTE ACS 191 pz	Prima di PCI	Atorvastatina 80 mg (il giorno prima di PCI) » Atorvastatina 40 mg (4-6 ore prima di PCI) vs placebo	1	<u>P = 0.01</u>
FLORIDA	STEMI 540 pz	1	Fluvastatina 40 mg b.i.d. vs placebo	12	<u>P = n.s.</u>

MIRACL: disegno dello studio

Caratteristiche pazienti

- Uomini e donne ≥ 18 anni
- UA o AMI
- TC ≤ 270 mg/dL
- Escluse le rivascolarizzazioni coronariche pianificate/anticipate

3086 pazienti

24-96 ore
(mediana 63 ore)

Atorvastatina 80 mg
(n=1538)

Placebo
(n=1548)

16 settimane

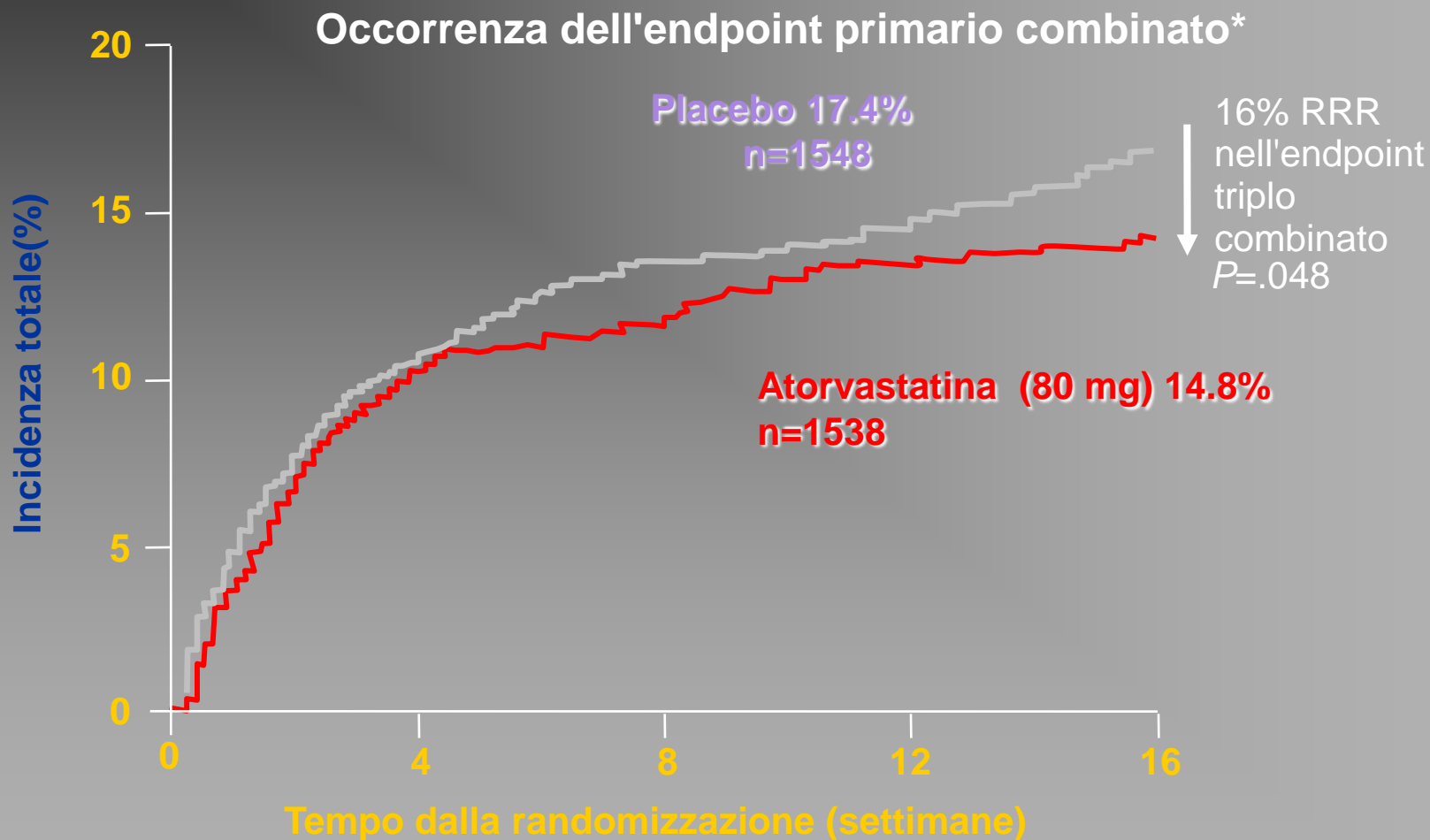
Endpoint principale di efficacia

- Composto di morte, AMI non fatale, arresto cardiaco con rianimazione, o ischemia del miocardio sintomatica ricorrente con ricovero

TC=colesterolo totale

Schwartz GG et al. JAMA. 2001;285:1711-1718.

MIRACL: In pazienti con SCA Atorvastatina riduce la ricorrenza di eventi ischemici in maniera significativa

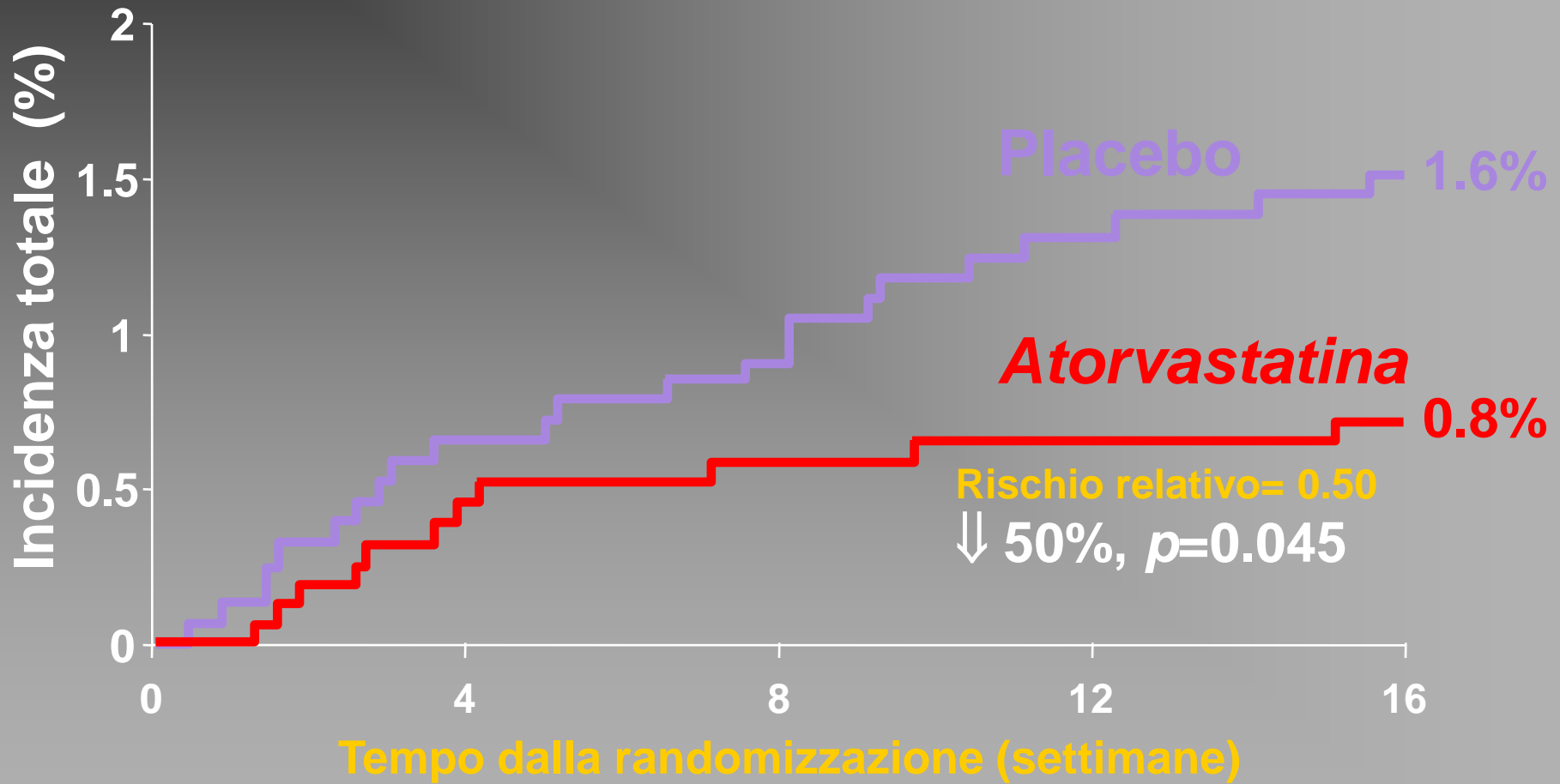


*Endpoint primario combinato=morte, AMI non fatale, arresto cardiaco con rianimazione, o ischemia ricorrente sintomatica del miocardio con ricovero d'urgenza.

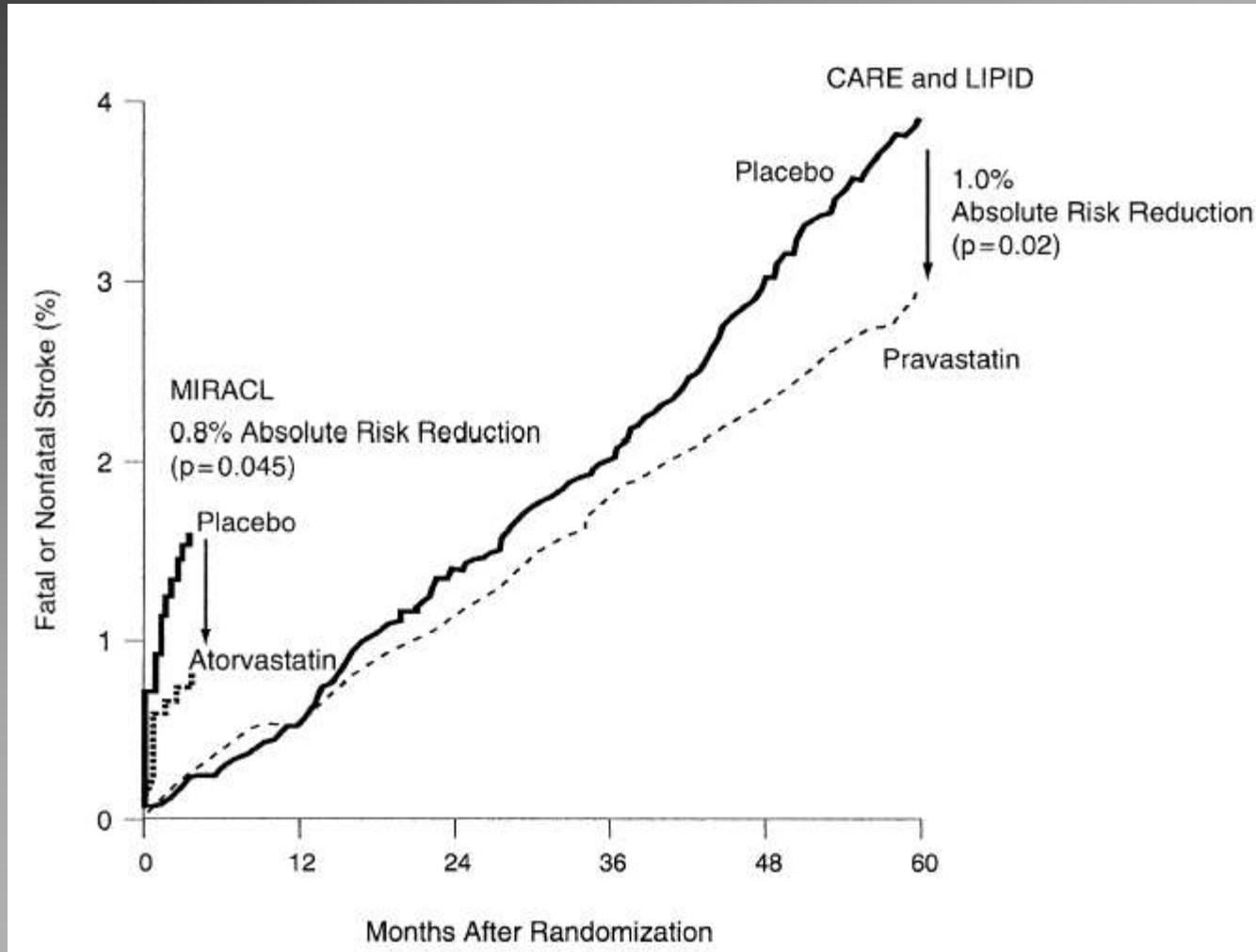
RRR=riduzione del rischio relativo.

Adapted from Schwartz GG et al. JAMA. 2001;285:1711-1718.

MIRACL: ictus fatali e non fatali

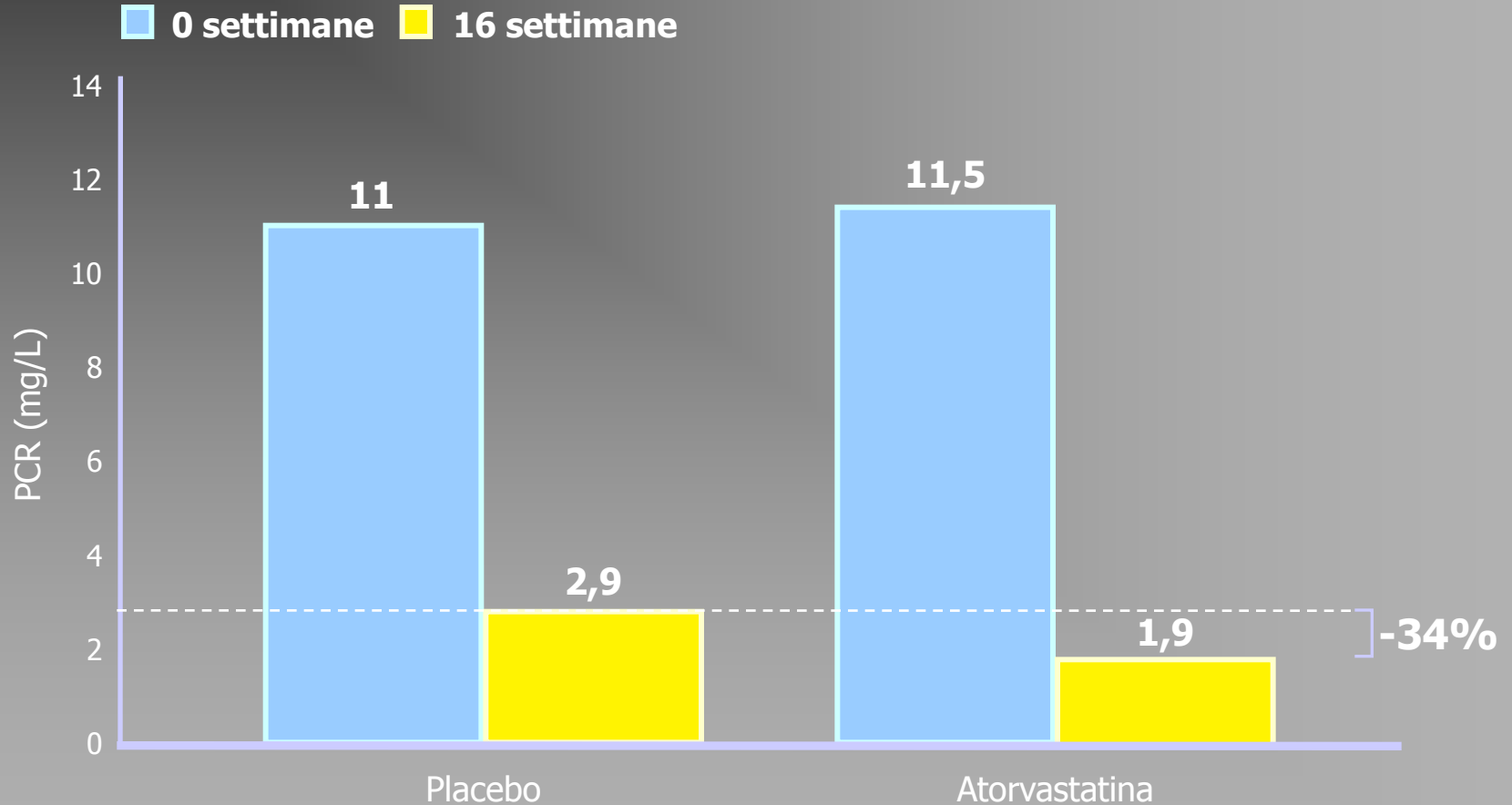


MIRACL: La riduzione assoluta nel numero degli ictus raggiunta durante 16 settimane dello studio MIRACL è simile alla riduzione raggiunta dopo circa 5 anni negli studi CARE e LIPID



MIRACL

Risultati sui marker infiammatori

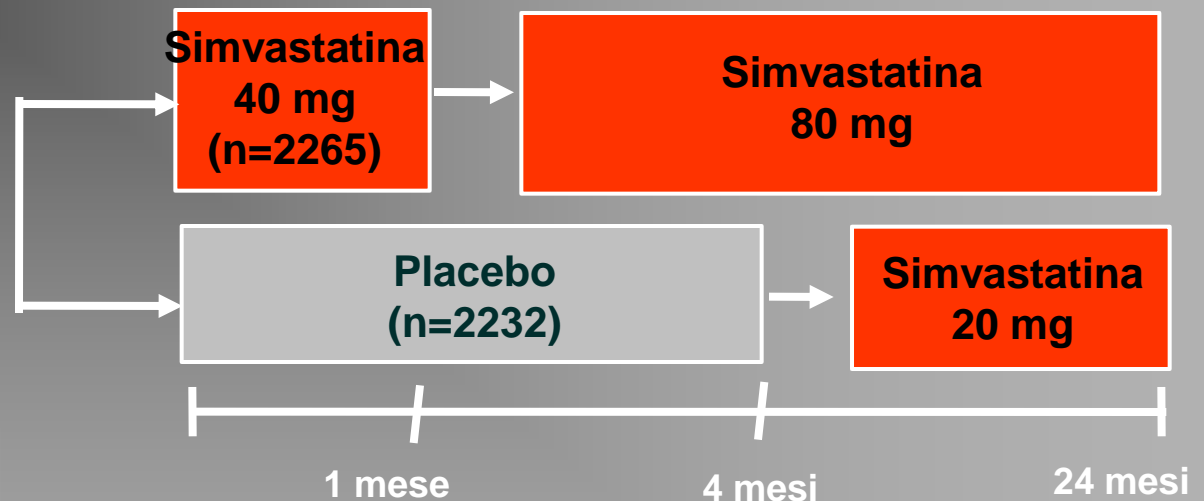


Fase Z dello studio A to Z: disegno dello studio

Caratteristiche pazienti

- Uomini e donne 21-80 anni
- ACS, MI
- TC \leq 250 mg/dL
- Rispondenti ai criteri stabilità
- Almeno 1 fattore di alto rischio per CVD + aumento biomarker cardiaci

4497 pazienti

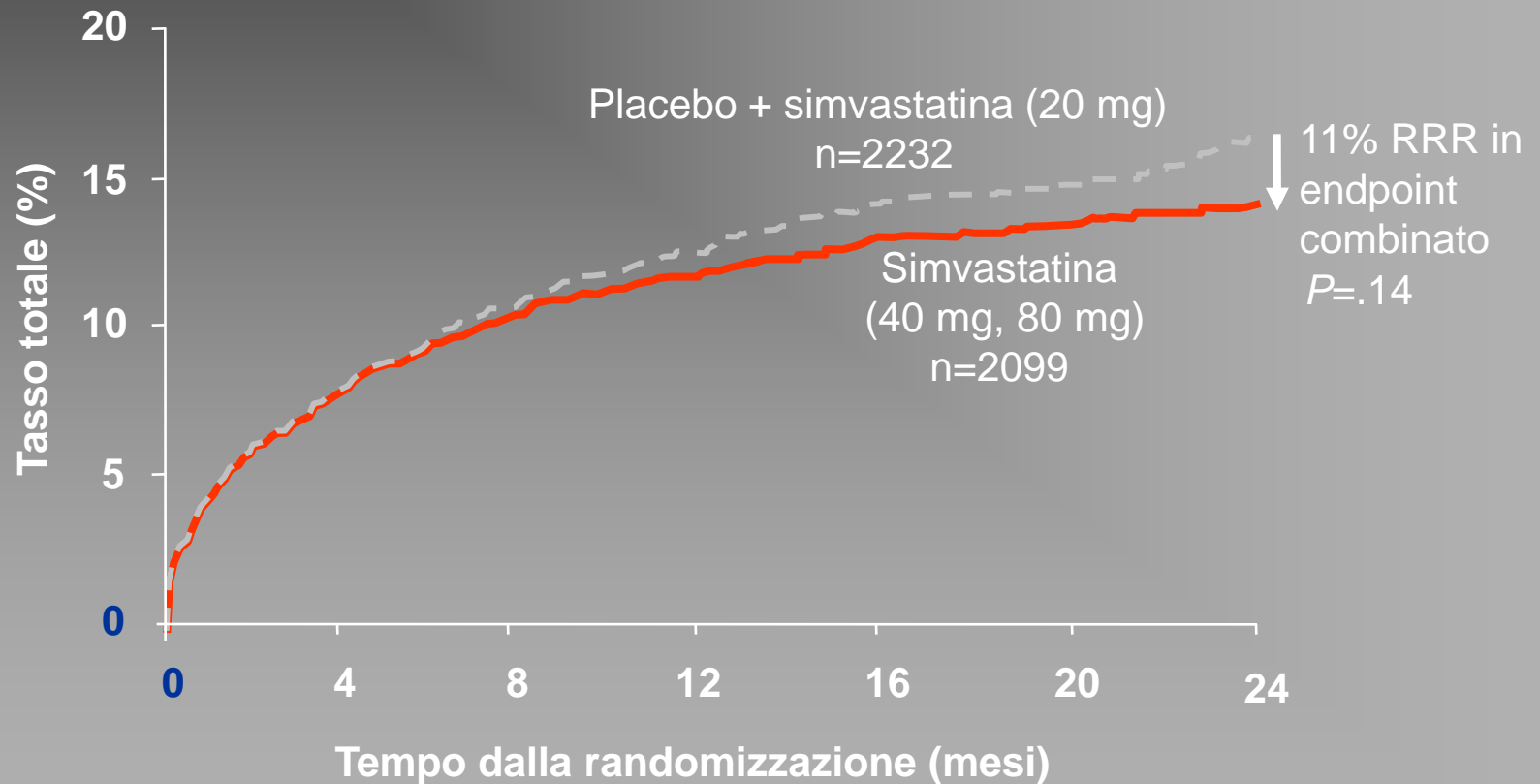


Endpoint principale di efficacia

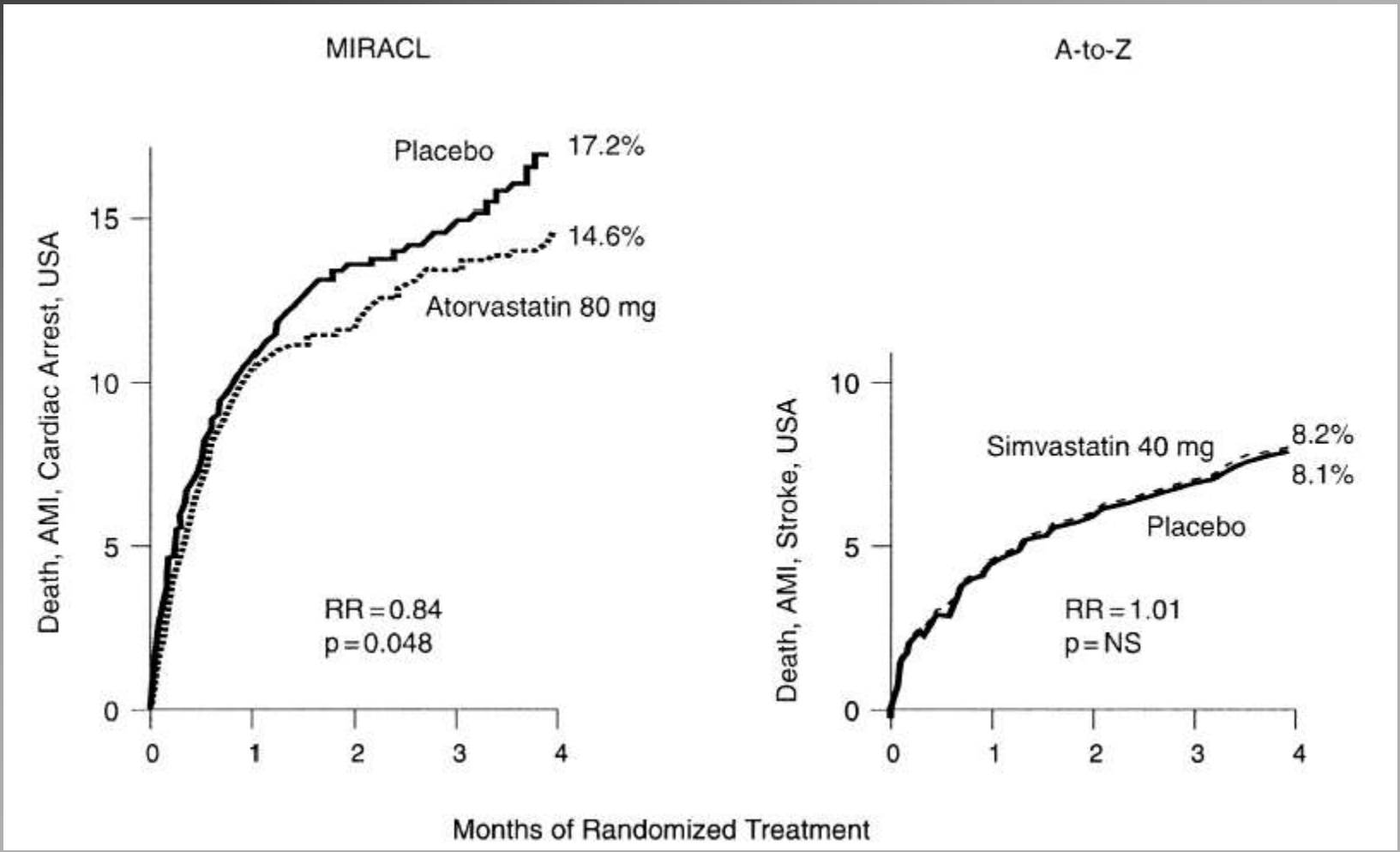
- Composto di morte CV, MI non fatale, riammissione per ACS, e ictus

A to Z: Nessuna riduzione significativa dell'endpoint principale in pazienti con SCA trattati con Simvastatina

Occorrenza dell'endpoint principale combinato
(morte cardiovascolare, IM non fatale, riammissione per SCA, e ictus)



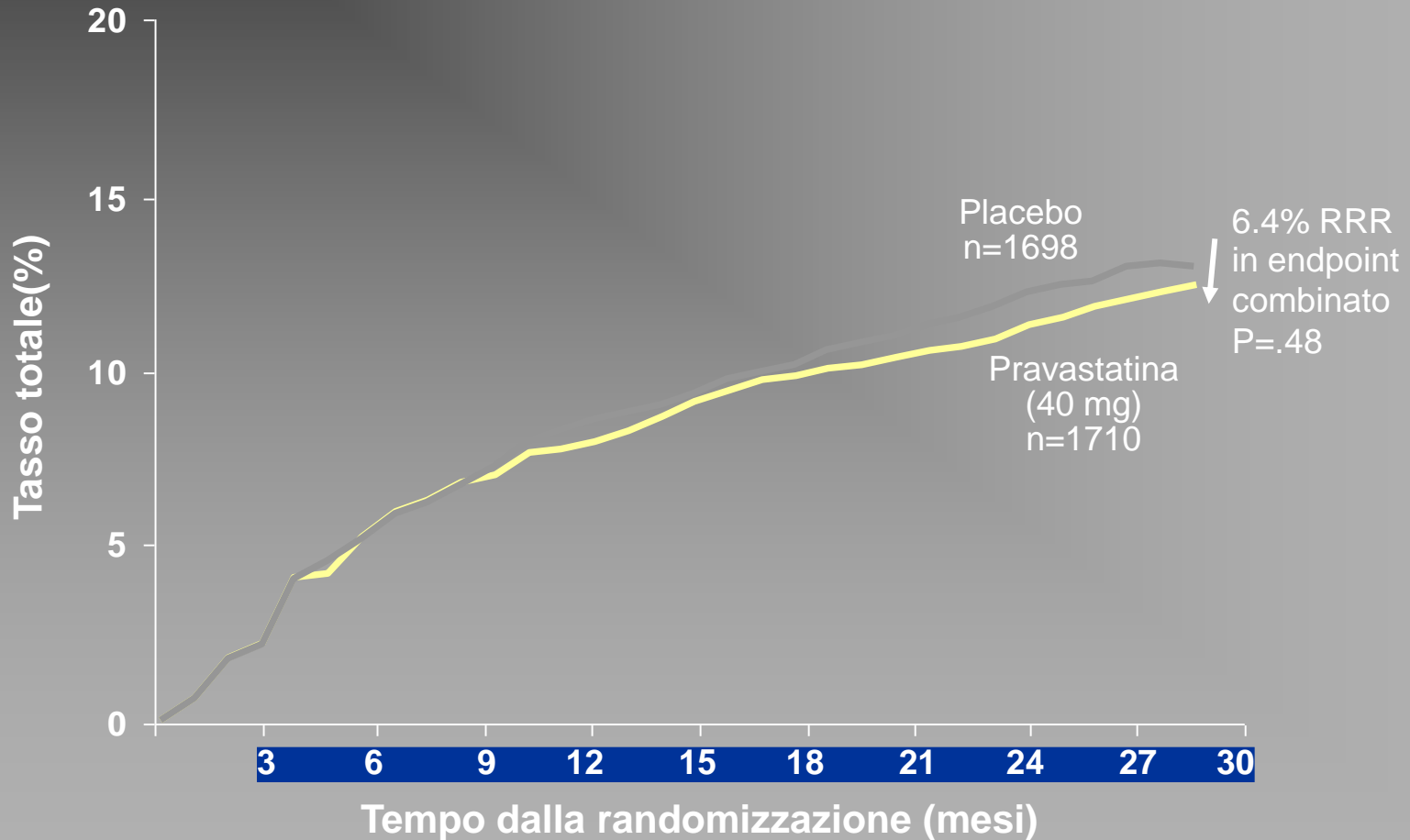
A to Z vs. MIRACL: Il trattamento intensivo a base di statine, ma non quello moderato, riduce il numero di eventi ischemici precoci ricorrenti dopo la sindrome coronarica acuta



Adapted from Schwartz GG et al. Am J. Cardiol. 2005; 96(Suppl.): 45F-53F

PACT: nessuna significativa riduzione negli esiti è stata evidenziata con Pravastatina

Occorrenza dell'endpoint principale combinato
(morte, STEMI, NSTEMI)



FLORIDA: disegno dello studio

Caratteristiche pazienti

- Uomini e donne con STEMI
- Colesterolo basale < 6.5 mmol/l

540 pazienti
24 ore

Fluvastatina 40 mg b.i.d
(n=565)

Placebo
(n=575)

1 anno

Endpoint principale di efficacia

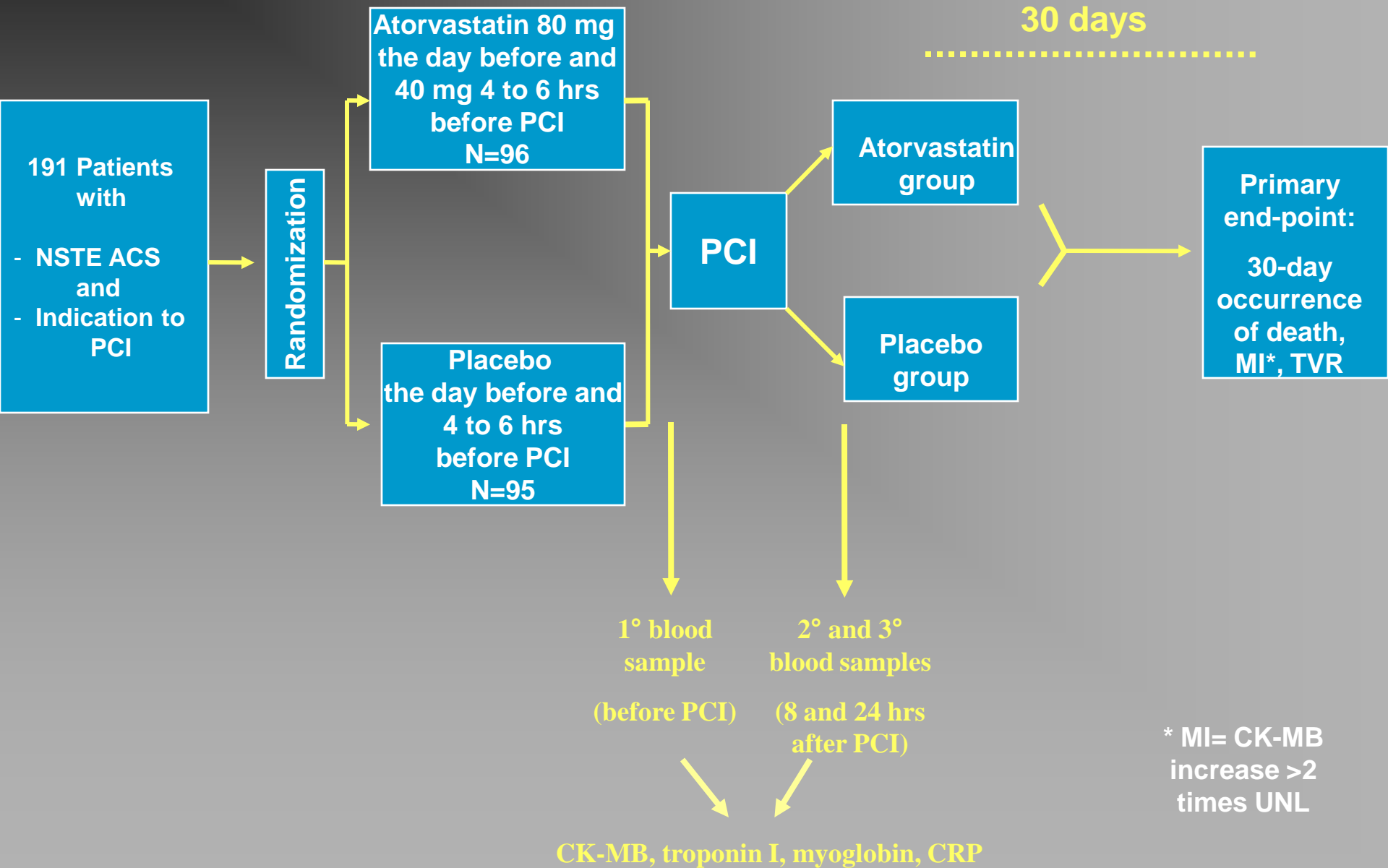
- Composto da ischemia rilevata con AECG di 48 ore, morte per qualsiasi causa o MACE dopo 6 settimane ed 1 anno dopo la randomizzazione

FLORIDA

RISULTATO

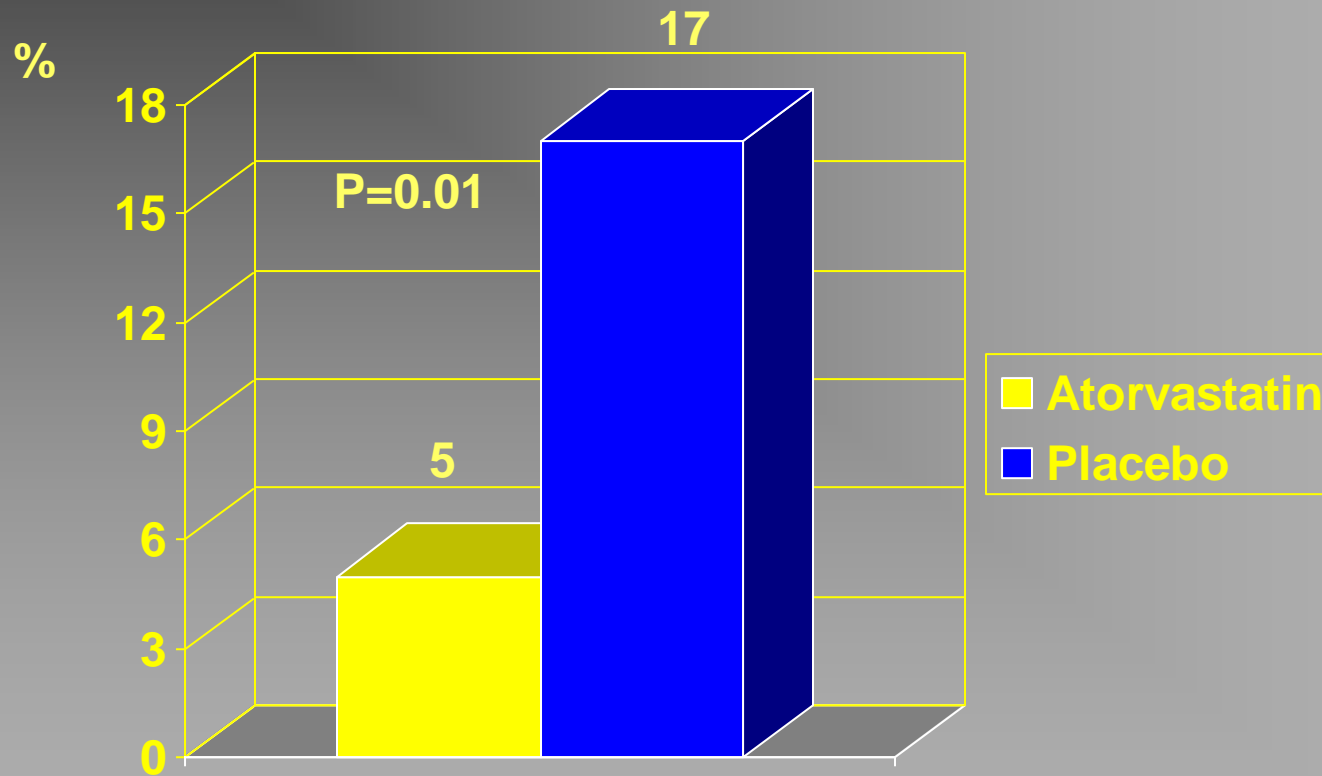
NESSUN EFFETTO STATISTICAMENTE SIGNIFICATIVO DELLA FLUVASTATINA NELLA RIDUZIONE DI ISCHEMIA VALUTATA CON E.C.G. AMBULATORIALE DI 48 ORE NE' NELLA RIDUZIONE DI END POINT COMPOSITO DI MORTALITA' E DI MACE.

ARMYDA-ACS Trial

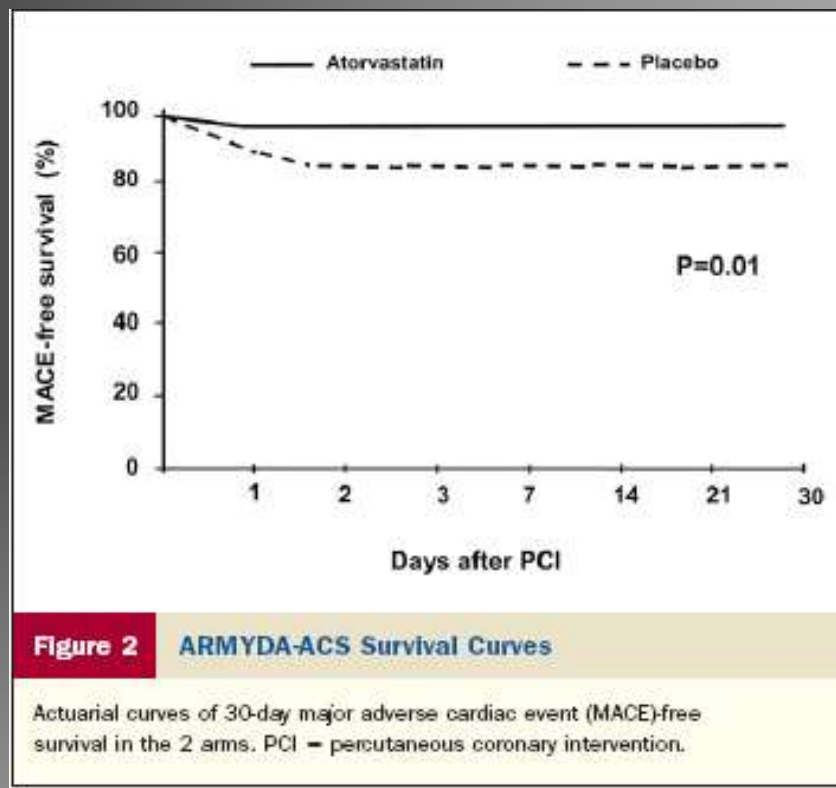


ARMYDA-ACS trial

Composite primary end-point (30-day death, MI, TVR)



Primary end-point entirely due to procedural MI in both arms



In conclusion, the present trial shows that a short-term atorvastatin pretreatment before PCI improves clinical outcomes in patients with unstable angina and non-STsegment elevation myocardial infarction. If confirmed by larger additional randomized studies, these findings may support the indication of “upstream” administration of high-dose statins in patients with acute coronary syndromes treated with an early invasive strategy.

PROVE IT: disegno dello studio

Caratteristiche pazienti

- Uomini e donne ≥ 18 anni
- Ricoverati con AMI o UA ad alto rischio
- TC ≤ 240 mg/dL
- Condizioni stabili, arruolati dopo PCI, se pianificato

4162 pazienti

10 giorni

Atorvastatina 80 mg
(n=2099)

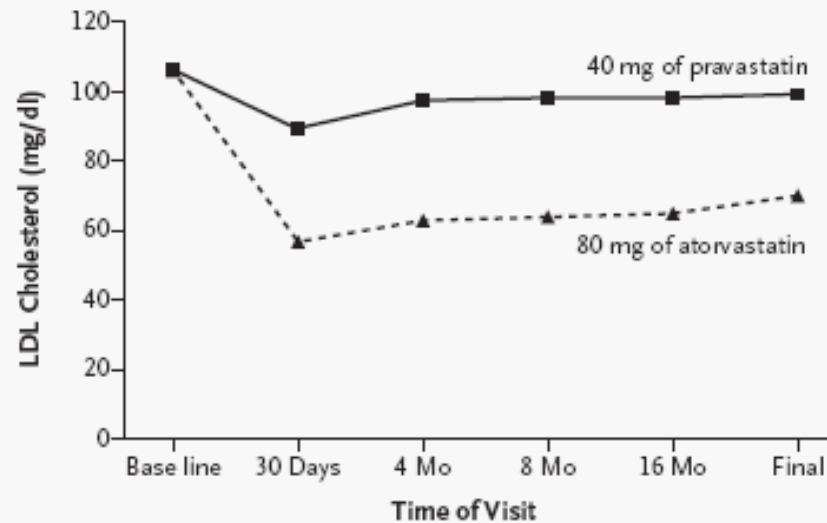
Pravastatina 40 mg
(n=2063)

18-36 mesi

Endpoint principale di efficacia

- Composto di morte per qualsiasi causa, MI, UA documentato con ricovero, rivascolarizzazione, e ictus

PROVE - IT TIMI 22



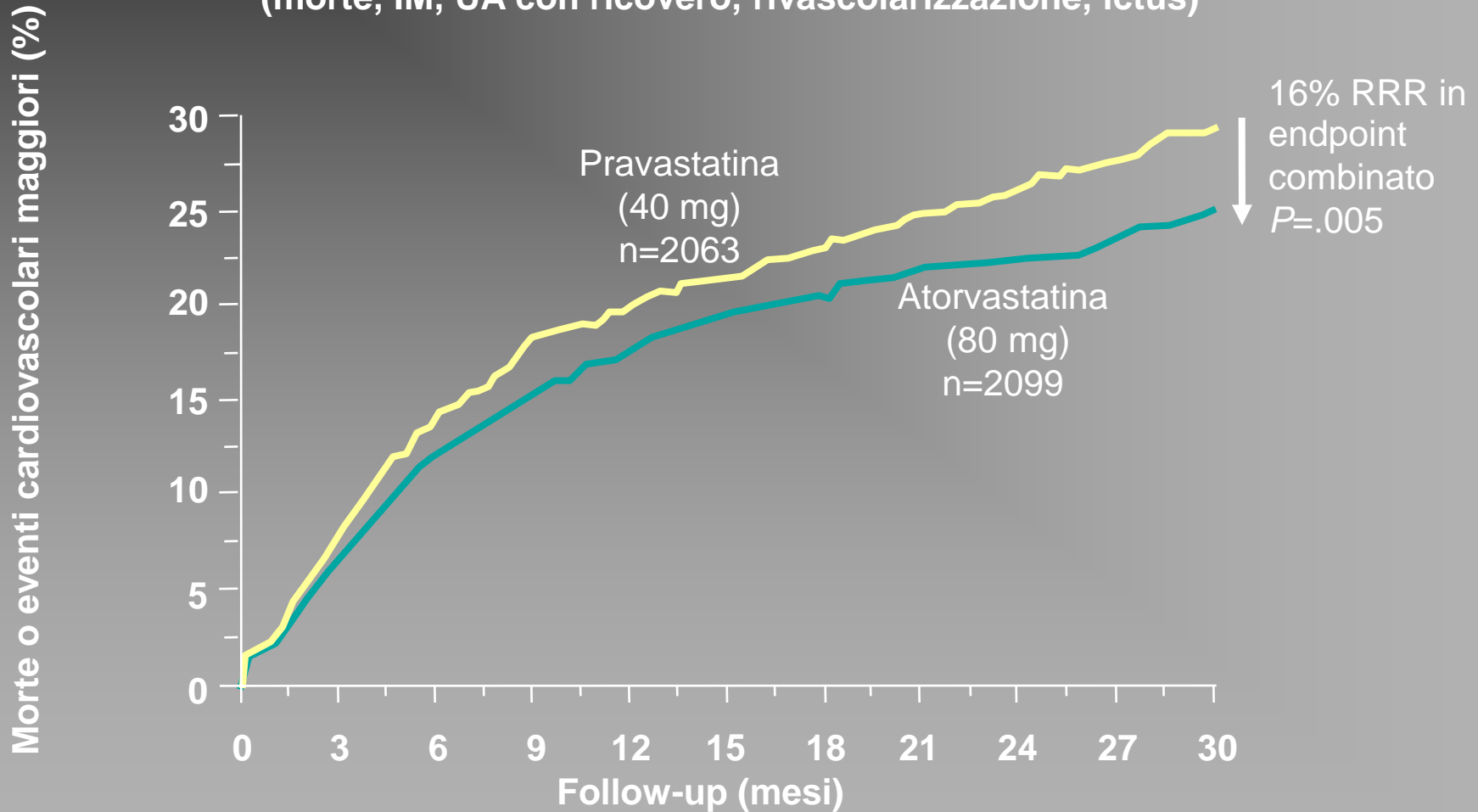
No. of Patients	Base line	30 Days	4 Mo	8 Mo	16 Mo	Final
Pravastatin	1973	1844	1761	1647	1445	1883
Atorvastatin	2003	1856	1758	1645	1461	1910

Figure 1. Median Low-Density Lipoprotein (LDL) Cholesterol Levels during the Study.

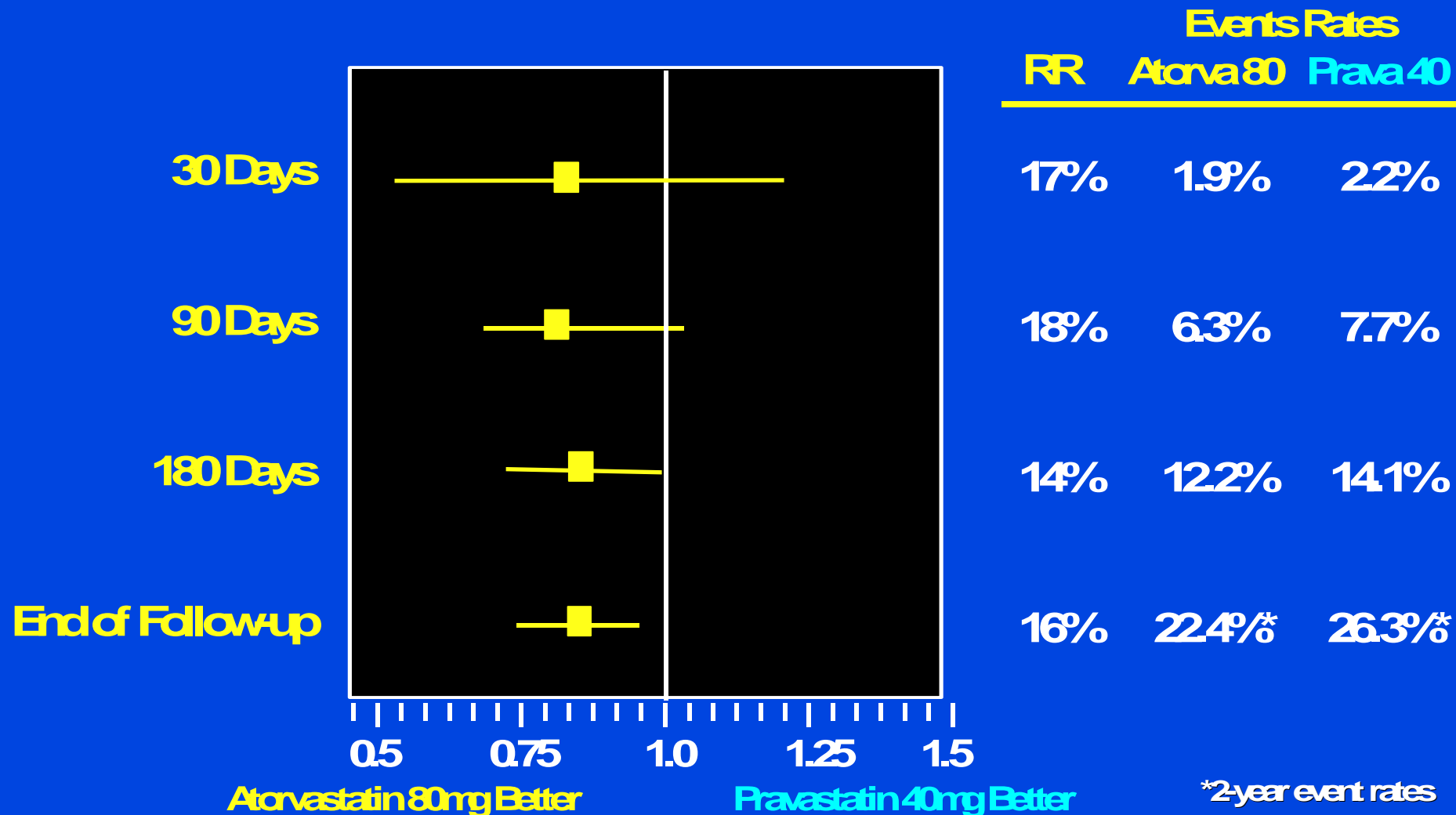
To convert values for LDL cholesterol to millimoles per liter, multiply by 0.02586.

PROVE IT: benefici precoci e consistenti di Atorvastatina rispetto a Pravastatina

Occorrenza di endpoint principali combinati
(morte, IM, UA con ricovero, rivascolarizzazione, ictus)



Primary Endpoint Over Time



PROVE – IT TIMI 22

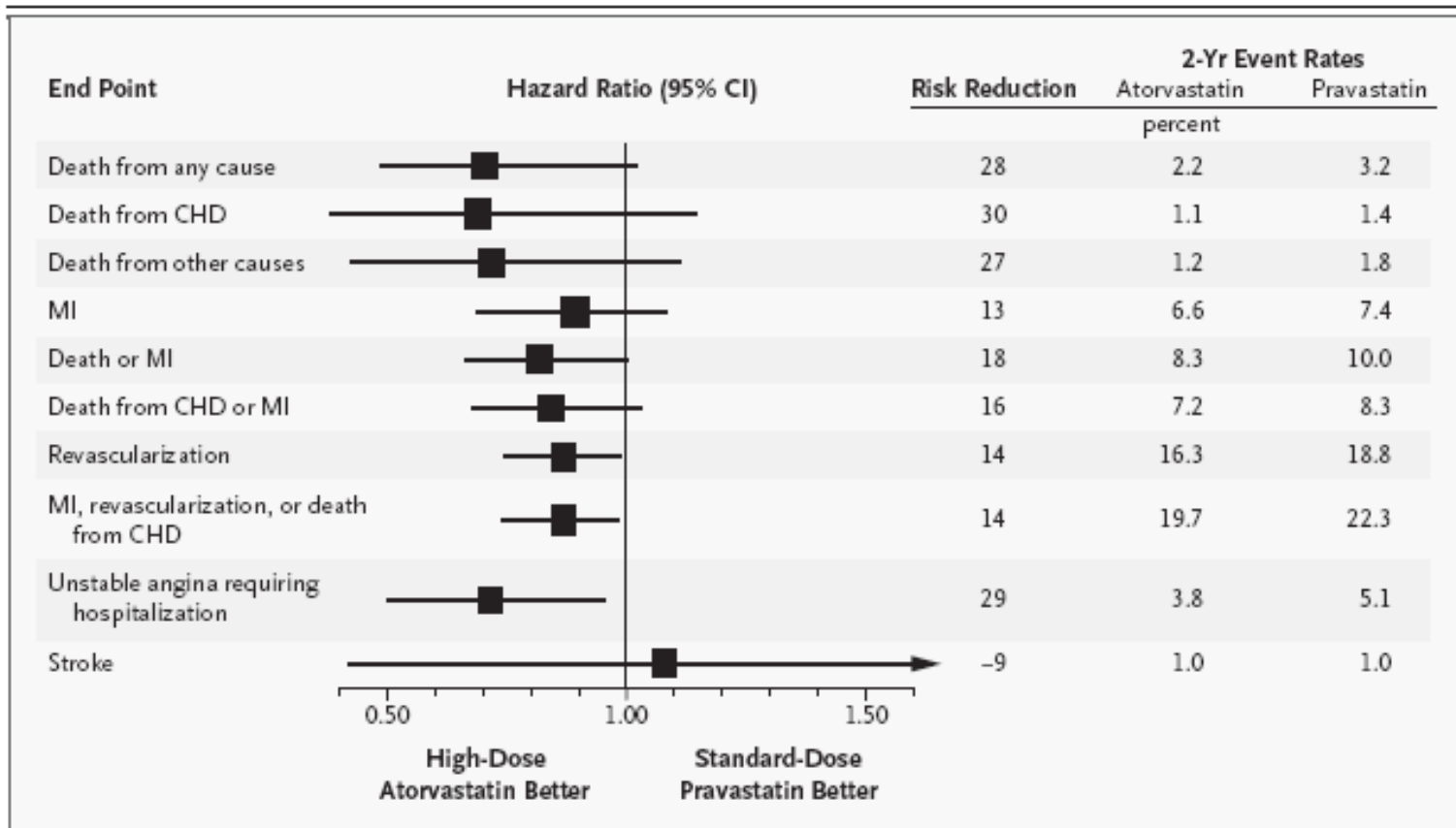
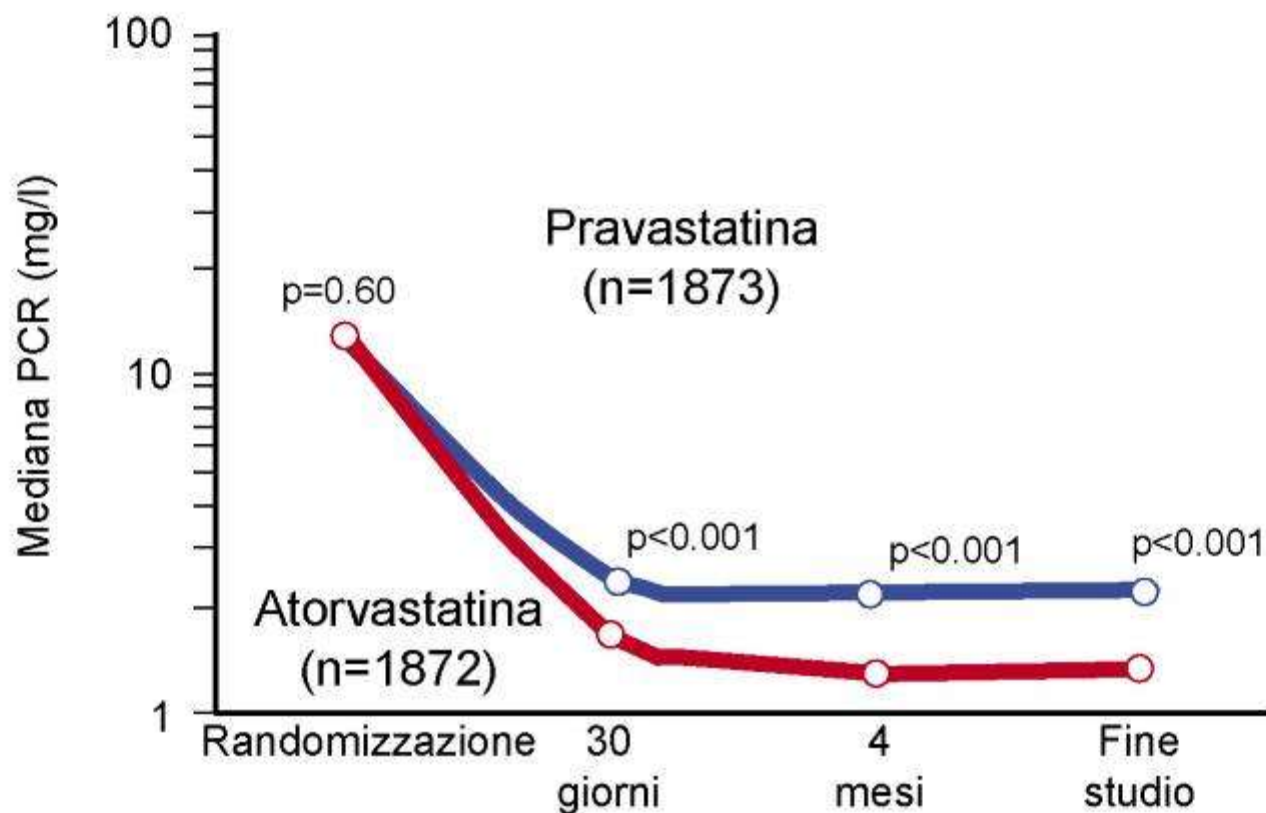


Figure 4. Estimates of the Hazard Ratio for the Secondary End Points and the Individual Components of the Primary End Point in the High-Dose Atorvastatin Group, as Compared with the Standard-Dose Pravastatin Group.

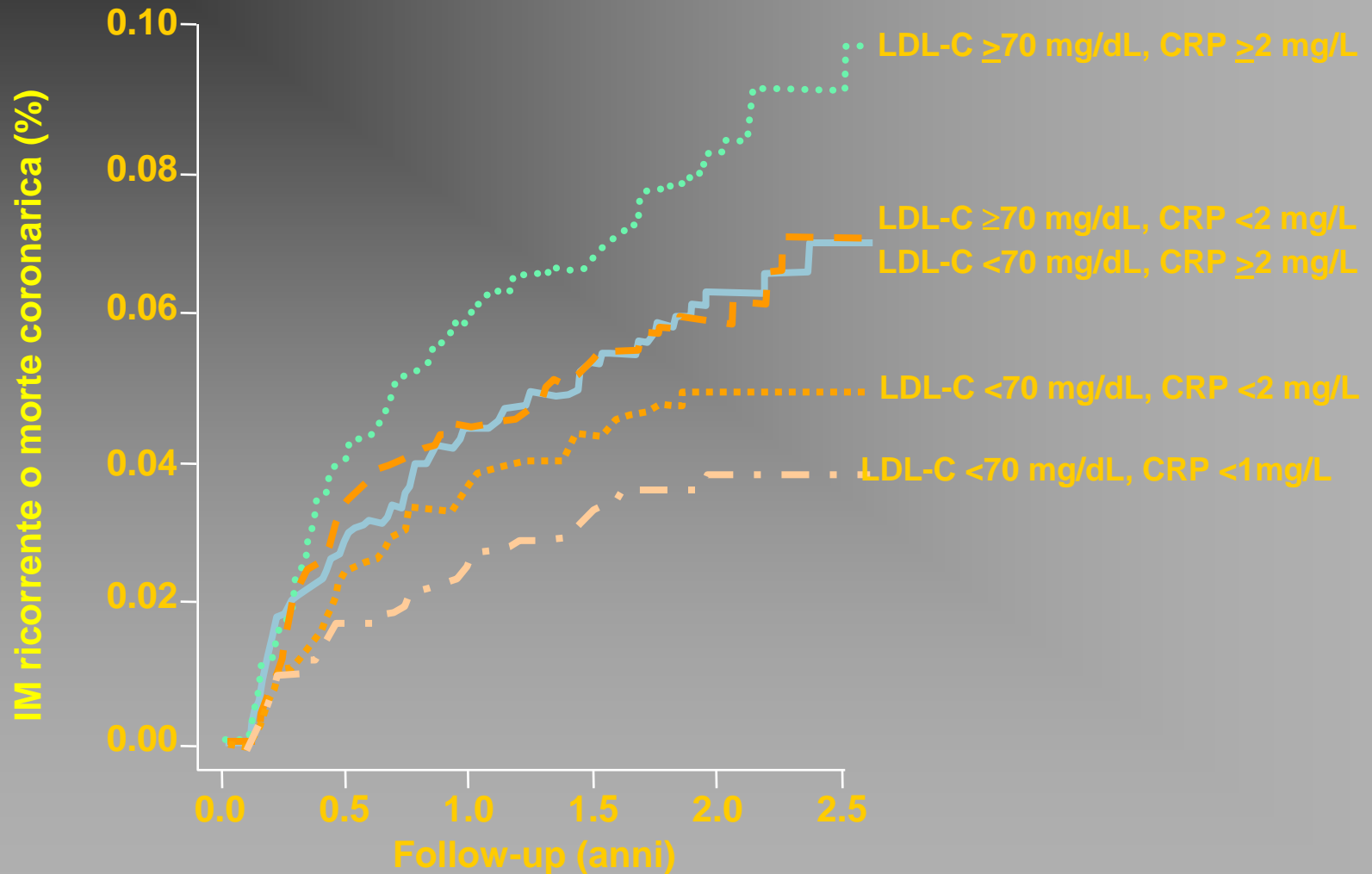
CI denotes confidence interval, CHD coronary heart disease, and MI myocardial infarction. Revascularization was performed at least 30 days after randomization.

PROVE IT-TIMI 22: evidenza della rapida riduzione dei marker di infiammazione (PCR)

Pravastatin Or Atorvastatin Evaluation and Infection Therapy–Thrombolysis In Myocardial Infarction 22
n = 4.162 con SCA



PROVE IT sottoanalisi: i pazienti con livelli più bassi di LDL-C e CRP hanno meno eventi ricorrenti



ATORVASTATINA ALTE DOSI IN PAZIENTI CON CORONAROPATIA END STAGE

Effects of Atorvastatin 80 mg Daily Early After Onset of Unstable Angina Pectoris or Non-Q-Wave Myocardial Infarction

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Nicola Montefoschi, MD, Antonio Varveri, MD, and Massimo Santini, MD

Angiographic evidence of severe and diffuse coronary artery disease, that was not amenable to direct revascularization by coronary artery bypass grafting or percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty, as determined by a cardiac surgeon and an interventional cardiologist during the index admission; Objective evidence of symptomatic reversible myocardial ischemia (0.1 mV ST-segment depression on the electrocardiogram) at a low exercise workload (4 METs) while receiving medical treatment (2 antianginal medications at maximal tolerated doses), as assessed by treadmill ergometry (Bruce's protocol) before discharge.

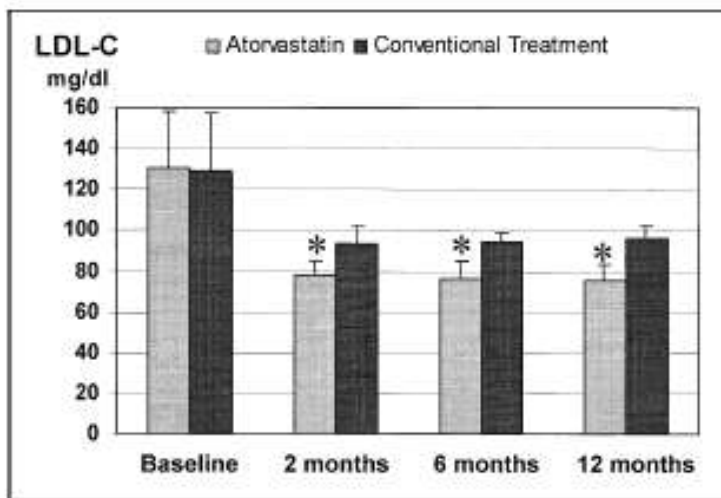


FIGURE 2. Low-density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL-C) levels during the study in the conventional treatment arm and in the atorvastatin arm. * $p < 0.0001$.

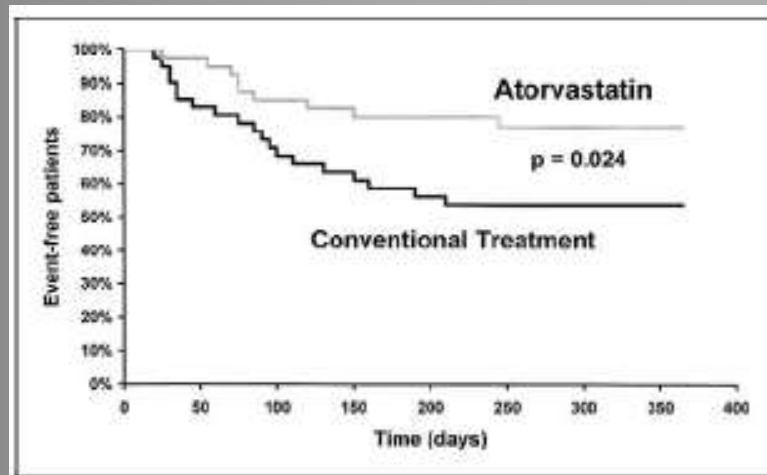


FIGURE 1. Kaplan-Meier estimates of probability of remaining free of ischemic recurrences in 41 patients in the conventional treatment arm and in 40 patients in the atorvastatin arm in the intention-to-treat analysis. $p = 0.024$.

In conclusion, this trial provides evidence that adding early, aggressive, **lipid-lowering treatment in addition to optimal combination therapy significantly reduces cardiac ischemic recurrences after an acute coronary syndrome in patients with endstage coronary artery disease.** In our opinion, this result is clinically relevant, because the number of such high-risk patients is expected to further increase in the near future.

TRIAL ONGOING

**A MULTICENTER , DOUBLE-BIND, RANDOMIZED
STUDY TO ESTABLISH THE CLINICAL BENEFIT
AND SAFETY OF VYTORIN
(EZETIMIBE/SIMVASTATIN TABLET) vs
SIMVASTATIN MONOTHERAPY IN HIGH-RISK
SUBJECTS PRESENTING WITH ACUTE CORONARY
SYNDROME.**

**IMProved Reduction of Outcomes: Vytorin
Efficacy International Trial (P04103)**

IMPROVE-IT

Popolazione in studio :

- **3 Tipologie di pazienti** affetti da ACS stabilizzata ad alto rischio e con livelli di LDL-C, misurati entro 24 dalla presentazione al Centro, $\geq 50\text{mg/dL} \leq 125\text{mg/dL}$ (o $\leq 100\text{mg/dL}$ se in trattamento cronico con statine);
- Randomizzazione entro **10 giorni** dall'ospedalizzazione.

Obiettivo Primario

- valutare il beneficio clinico del trattamento su:
 - morte da evento cardiovascolare,
 - eventi coronarici maggiori (dopo almeno 30 gg dalla randomizzazione - IMA non fatale , riospedalizzazione per angina, rivascolarizzazione))
 - Ictus in pazienti affetti da Sindrome Coronarica Acuta(ACS) sia con Infarto del Miocardio Acuto (IMA) che con angina instabile.

TRIAL ONGOING

FACS

- FLUVASTATINA 80 mg vs PLACEBO
- 1000 PTS
- S.C.A STEMI/NSTEMI
- FOLLOW UP: 30 GIORNI
- END POINT COMPOSITO MACCE

**PRESUPPOSTI PER L'UTILIZZO DI STATINE
NELLA FASE ACUTA DELLA SINDROME
CORONARICA**

EFFETTO PLEIOTROPICO

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SYSTEMATIC REVIEW

Intensive statin therapy in acute coronary syndromes and stable coronary heart disease: a comparative meta-analysis of randomised controlled trials

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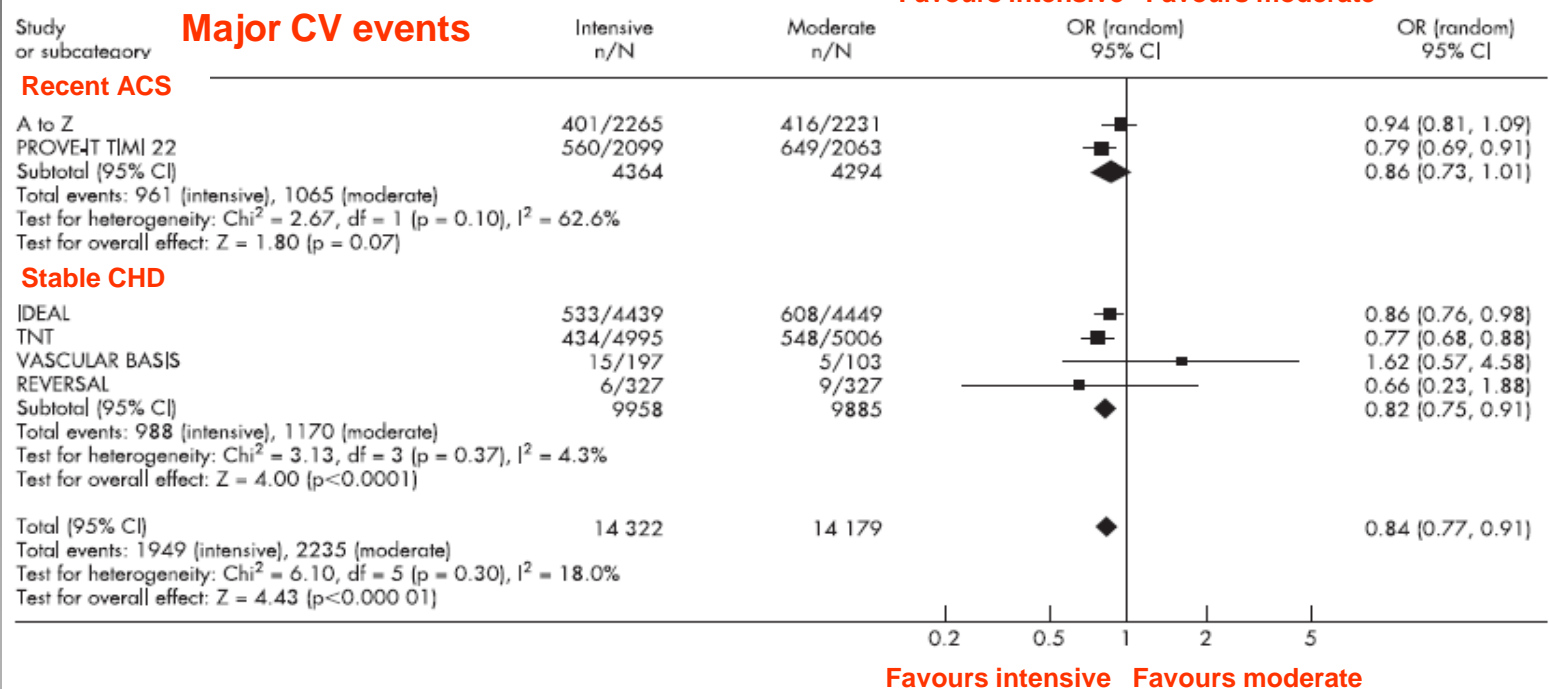
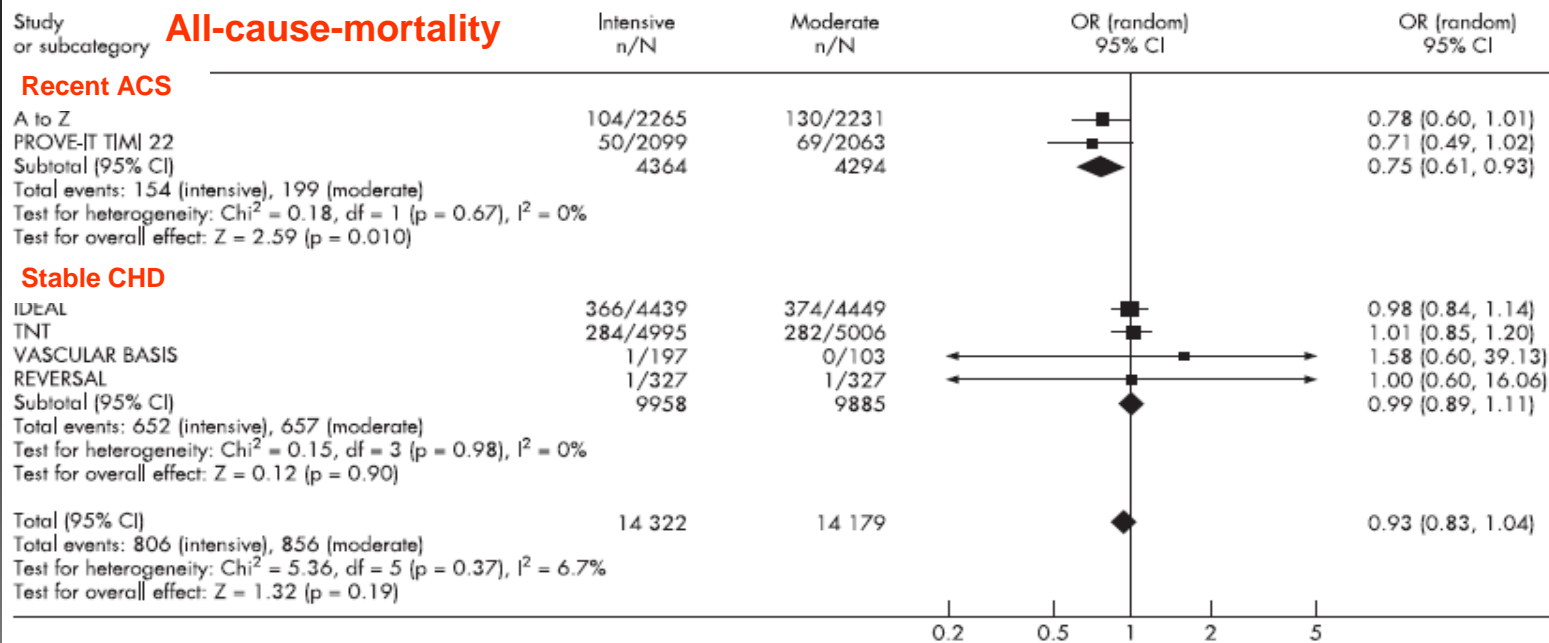


Figure 3 Forest plot for major adverse cardiovascular events.

METANALISI

13 STUDI

17963 PAZIENTI

INIZIO STATINE < 14 GIORNI DA OSPEDALIZZAZIONE

FOLLOW UP MEDIO 22 MESI

E. P. COMBINATO:

MORTE, RECIDIVA ISCHEMICA, REOSPEDALIZZAZIONE

TRIAL	PAESI	N° Pts	TRATTAMENTO	INIZIO	GIORNI E.U.
PROVE – IT TIMI 22 (2004)	EUROPA U.S.A	4162	ATORVA 80 PRAVA 40	10	30,90,120,730
PAIS (2001)	OLANDA	699	PRAVA 40 PLACEBO	2	90
A to Z (2004)	INTERNAZ.	4497	SIMVA40/80 PLACEBO/SIMVA20	5	30,120,240,730
FLORIDA (2002)	OLANDA	540	FLUVA 80 PLACEBO	14	42, 365
MIRACL (2001)	INTERNAZ.	3086	ATORVA 80 PLACEBO	4	112
PACT (2004)	AUSTRALIA	3408	PRAVA 20/40 PLACEBO	1	30
L – CAD (2000)	GERMANIA	135	PRAVA 20/40 PLACEBO	1	730
LAMIL (1937)	BELGIO	69	PRAVA 10/20 PLACEBO	2	180
ESTABLISH (2004)	GIAPPONE	70	PCI + ATORVA 20 TERAPIA STANDARD	1	180
PTT (2002)	TURCHIA	77	PRAVA 40 PLACEBO	1	180
COLIVICCHI (2002)	ITALIA	83	ATORVA 80 TERAPIA STANDARD	12	360
LIPS (2002)	INTERNAZ	1677	FLUVA 80 PLACEBO	2	1460
RECIFE (2005)	CANADA	60	PRAVA 40 PLACEBO	10	42

SAFETY

EVENTI SU 17963 PAZIENTI

- RABDOMIOLISI: 3 (0.01%) A to Z (SIMVASTATINA 80 mg)
2 (0.04%) TNT (ATORVA 80 mg)
- EPATITI: 3 (0.01%) MIRACLE (ATORVA 80 mg)
- ↑ ALT/AST:3.3% vs 1.1% PROVE - IT
2.5% vs 0.6% MIRACLE

Safety of Atorvastatin 80 mg versus 10 mg

Comparative Safety of Atorvastatin 80 mg Versus 10 mg Derived from Analysis of 49 Completed Trials in 14,236 Patients

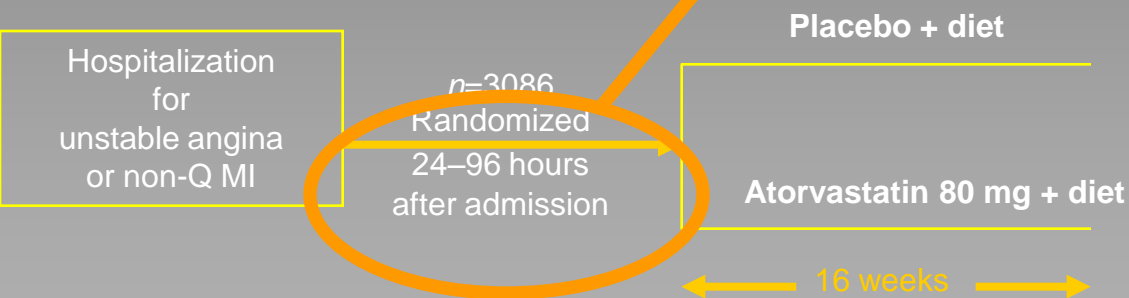
Connie Newman, MD*, John Tsai, MD, Michael Szarek, MS, Don Luo, PhD,
and Eric Gibson, PhD

Atorvastatin has been shown to reduce coronary events and revascularization procedures in patients with multiple risk factors for coronary heart disease. Recent studies with atorvastatin 80 mg support the overall safety of this dose during long-term treatment. However, physicians appear reluctant to use high doses of statins. A retrospective analysis of pooled data from 49 clinical trials of atorvastatin in 14,236 patients treated for an average period of 2 weeks to 52 months was conducted. The study compared the safety of atorvastatin 10 mg (n = 7,258), atorvastatin 80 mg (n = 4,798), and placebo (n = 2,180) and included analyses on treatment-associated adverse events; nonserious and serious adverse events related to the musculoskeletal, hepatic, and renal systems; the incidence of elevations of creatine kinase >10 times the upper limit of normal (ULN); and hepatic transaminases >3 times ULN. Percentages of patients experiencing ≥ 1 adverse event were similar across all 3 groups. Withdrawals due to treatment-related adverse events were observed in 2.4%, 1.8%, and 1.2% of patients in the atorvastatin 10 mg, atorvastatin 80 mg, and placebo groups, respectively. Serious adverse events were rare and seldom led to treatment withdrawal with any dose. Treatment-associated myalgia was observed in 1.4%, 1.5%, and 0.7% of patients in the atorvastatin 10 mg, atorvastatin 80 mg, and placebo groups, respectively. No cases of rhabdomyolysis were reported in any group. Persistent elevations in hepatic transaminases >3 times ULN were observed in 0.1%, 0.6%, and 0.2% of patients in the atorvastatin 10 mg, atorvastatin 80 mg, and placebo groups, respectively. The incidence of treatment-associated adverse events for atorvastatin 80 mg was similar to that of atorvastatin 10 mg and placebo. In conclusion, the results of this analysis support the positive safety profile of atorvastatin at the highest dose. © 2006 Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. (Am J Cardiol 2006;97:61-67)

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Comparison of Intensive and Moderate Lipid Lowering with Statins after Acute Coronary Syndromes

Christopher P. Cannon, M.D., Eugene Braunwald, M.D. et al for the Pravastatin or Atorvastatin Evaluation and Infection Therapy-Thrombolysis in Myocardial Infarction 22 Investigators

4162 pazienti (58 anni) con SCA <10 giorni

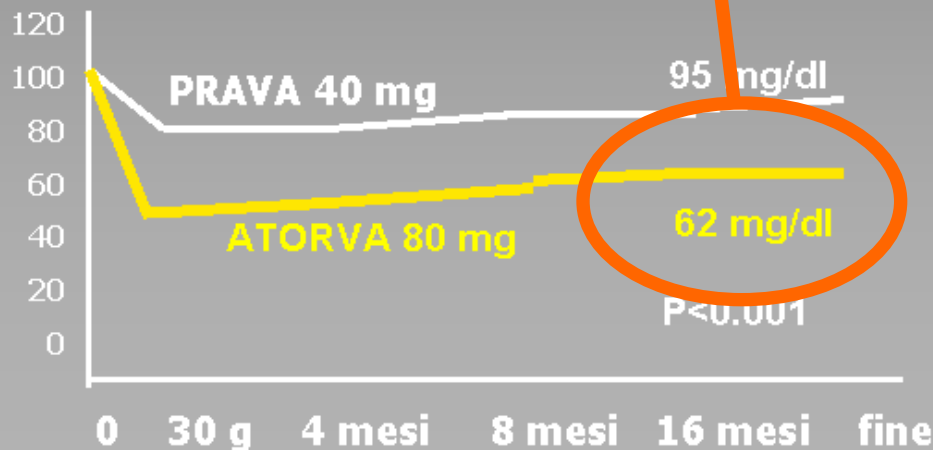
Studio di non-inferiorità PRAVA 40 mg vs ATORVA 80 mg

End-point primario: morte, IMA, riospedalizzazione per angina instabile, rivascolarizzazione, stroke

Follow-up 18-36 mesi (media 24)

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LDL-Colesterolo durante lo studio



Incremental Benefit and Cost-Effectiveness of High-Dose Statin Therapy in High-Risk Patients With Coronary Artery Disease

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Background—Recent clinical trials found that high-dose statin therapy, compared with conventional-dose statin therapy, reduces the risk of cardiovascular events in patients with acute coronary syndromes (ACS) and stable coronary artery disease (CAD). However, the actual benefit and cost-effectiveness of high-dose statin therapy are unknown.

Methods and Results—We designed a Markov model to compare daily high-dose with conventional-dose statin therapy for hypothetical 60-year-old cohorts with ACS and stable CAD over patient lifetime. Pooled estimates for major clinical end points (all-cause mortality, myocardial infarction, stroke, rehospitalization, and revascularization) from relevant clinical trials were incorporated. Incremental benefit was quantified as quality-adjusted life-years (QALYs). Threshold analyses determined at what price difference high-dose statins would yield incremental cost-effective ratios below \$50 000, \$100 000, and \$150 000 per QALY gained. In ACS patients, a high-dose versus conventional-dose statin strategy resulted in a gain of 0.35 QALYs. In threshold analyses, a high-dose statin strategy consistently yielded incremental cost-effective ratios below \$30 000 per QALY even under conservative model assumptions. In stable CAD patients, a high-dose statin strategy yielded a gain of only 0.10 QALYs and was sensitive to model assumptions about statin efficacy. The daily cost difference between a high- and conventional dose statin would need to be <\$1.70, \$2.65, and \$2.55 to yield incremental cost-effective ratios below \$50 000, \$100 000, and \$150 000 per QALY.

Conclusions—High-dose statin therapy is potentially highly effective and cost-effective in patients with ACS. In patients with stable CAD, however, the cost-effectiveness of high-dose statin therapy is highly sensitive to model assumptions about statin efficacy and cost. Use of high-dose statins can be supported on health economic grounds in patients with ACS, but the case is less clear for patients with stable CAD. (*Circulation*. 2007;115:2398-2409.)

Key Words: cholesterol ■ coronary disease ■ cost-benefit analysis ■ drugs ■ statins

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CONCLUSIONI - I

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- EVIDENZA DI **SICUREZZA**
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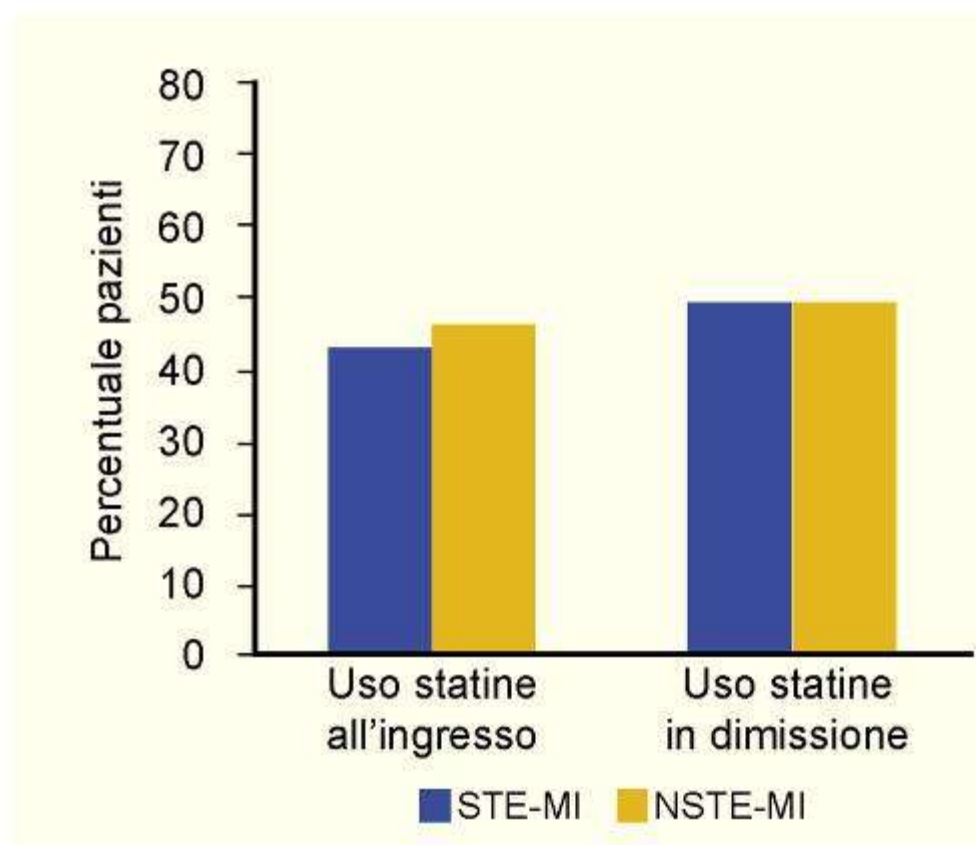
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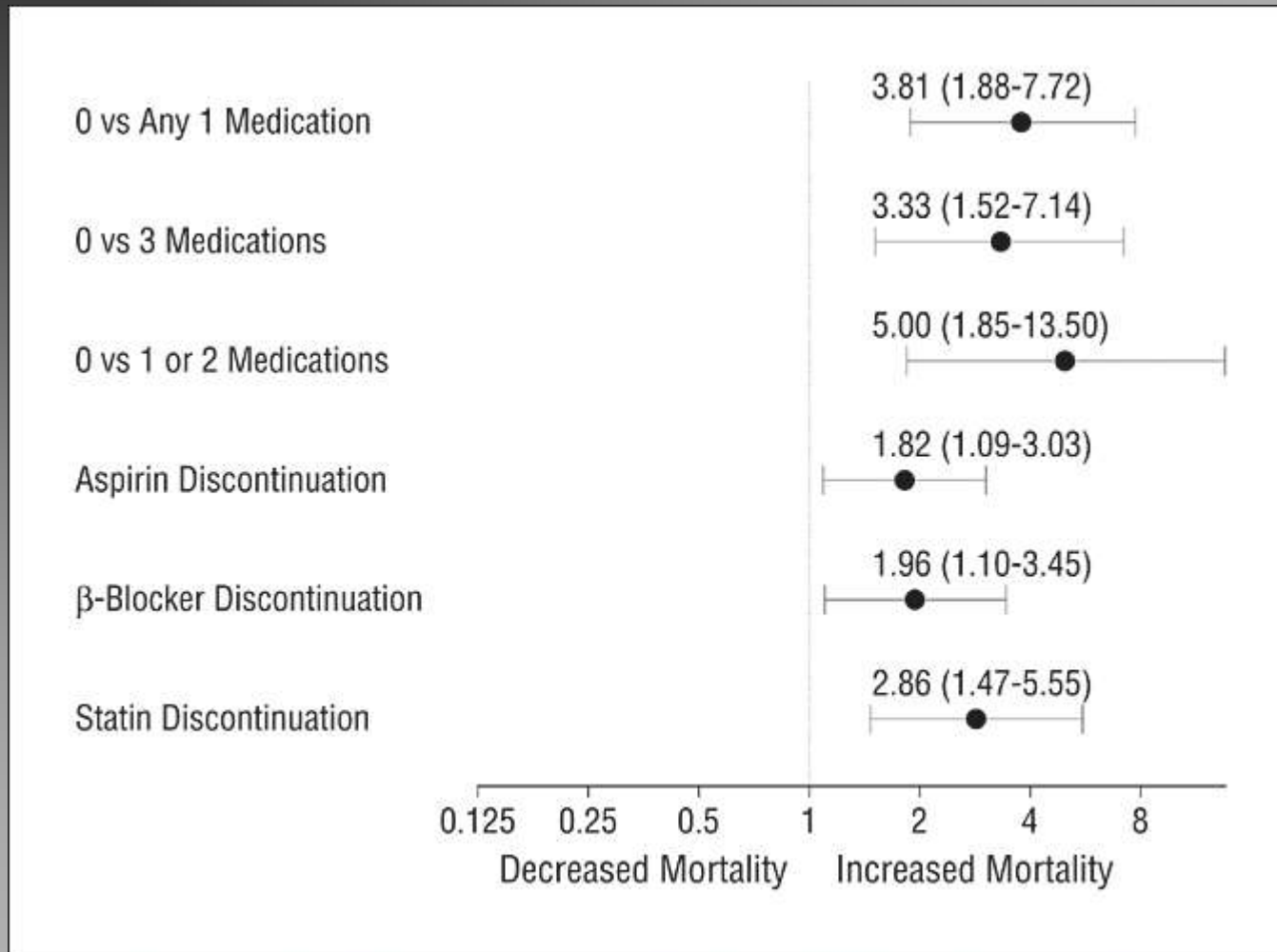
- **A che punto siamo?**
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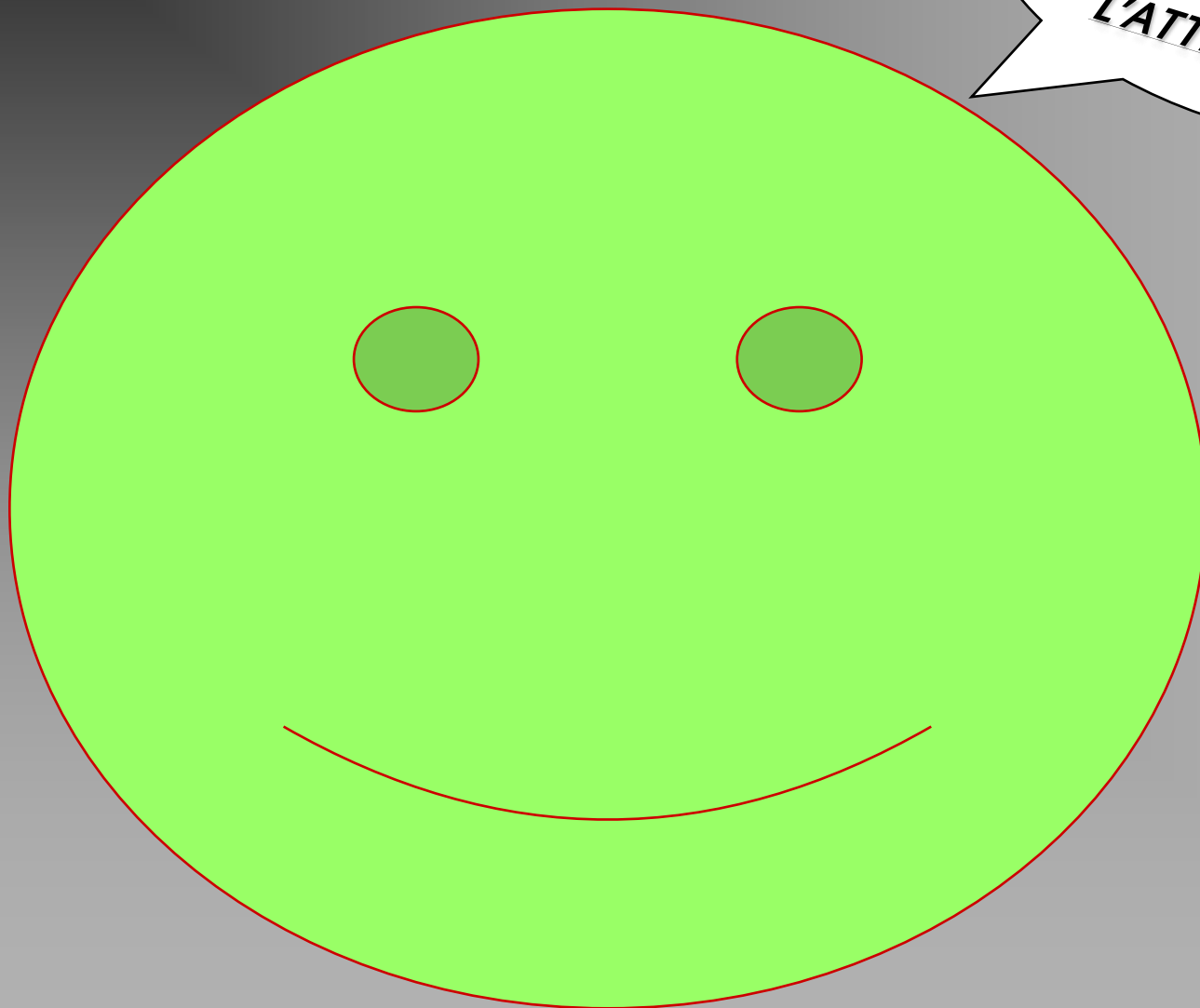
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- 1.954 pazienti con IMA
- 296 UTIC
- Età media 67 anni
- 70% maschi



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