

# **Πνεύμονες, Καρδιά & Σεξ**

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## Δήλωση συμφερόντων

**Δεν υπάρχει καμία σύγκρουση  
συμφερόντων σχετικά με αυτήν την  
παρουσίαση**

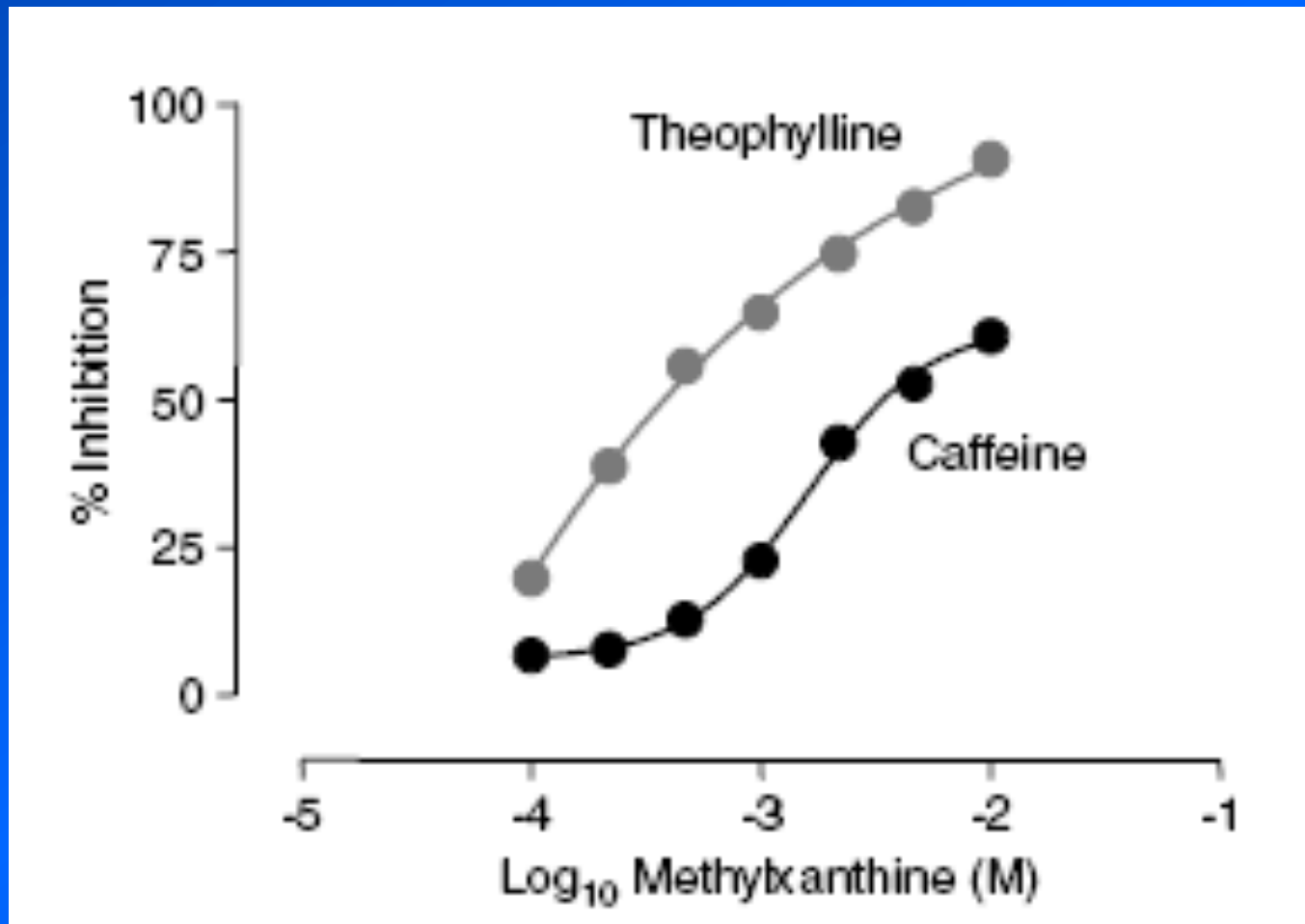
## The beginning of the story

**“When I drink a strong cup of coffee on an empty stomach, my breathing eases, I find substantial relief”**

**An asthmatic patient**

*Henry Hyde Salter, 1886*

# cAMP-PDE inhibition by methylxanthines



# PDE superfamily

<i>PDE isoenzyme</i>	<i>No. of isoforms</i>	<i>Substrate</i>	<i>Km (μM) cAMP</i>	<i>Km (μM) GMP</i>	<i>Tissue expression</i>	<i>Specific inhibitors</i>
1	8	Ca <sup>2+</sup> /calmodulin-stimulated	1-30	3	Heart, brain, lung, smooth muscle	KS-505a
2		cGMP-stimulated	50	50	Adrenal gland, heart, lung, liver, platelets	EHNA (MEP-1)
3	4	cGMP-inhibited, cAMP-selective	0.2	0.3	Heart, lung, liver, platelets, adipose tissue, inflammatory cells	Cilostamide Milrinone
4	20	cAMP-specific	4		Sertoli cells, kidney, brain, liver, lung, inflammatory cells	Rolipram, Roflumilast Cilomilast
5	3	cGMP-specific	150	1	Lung, platelets, vascular smooth muscle	Sildenafil, Zaprinast
6		cGMP-specific		60	Photoreceptor	Dipyridamole
7	3	cAMP-specific, high-affinity	0.2		Skeletal muscle, heart, kidney, brain, pancreas, T lymphocytes	BRL-50481
8		cAMP-selective,	0.06		Testes, eye, liver, skeletal muscle, heart, kidney, ovary, brain, T lymphocytes	none
9	4	cGMP-specific,		0.17	Kidney, liver, lung, brain	BAY 73-6691
10	2	cGMP-sensitive, cAMP-selective	0.05	3.0	Testes, brain	none
11	4	cGMP-sensitive, dual specificity	0.7	0.6	Skeletal muscle, prostate, kidney, liver, pituitary and salivary glands, testes	none

## **PDE-5 inhibitors in asthma**

**Inhibition of exercise-induced asthma by  
an orally absorbed mast cell stabilizer  
(M&B 22948 – zaprinast).**

**Rudd, Br J Dis Chest 1983**

**But ..... Poor results**

**However: vasorelaxant properties**

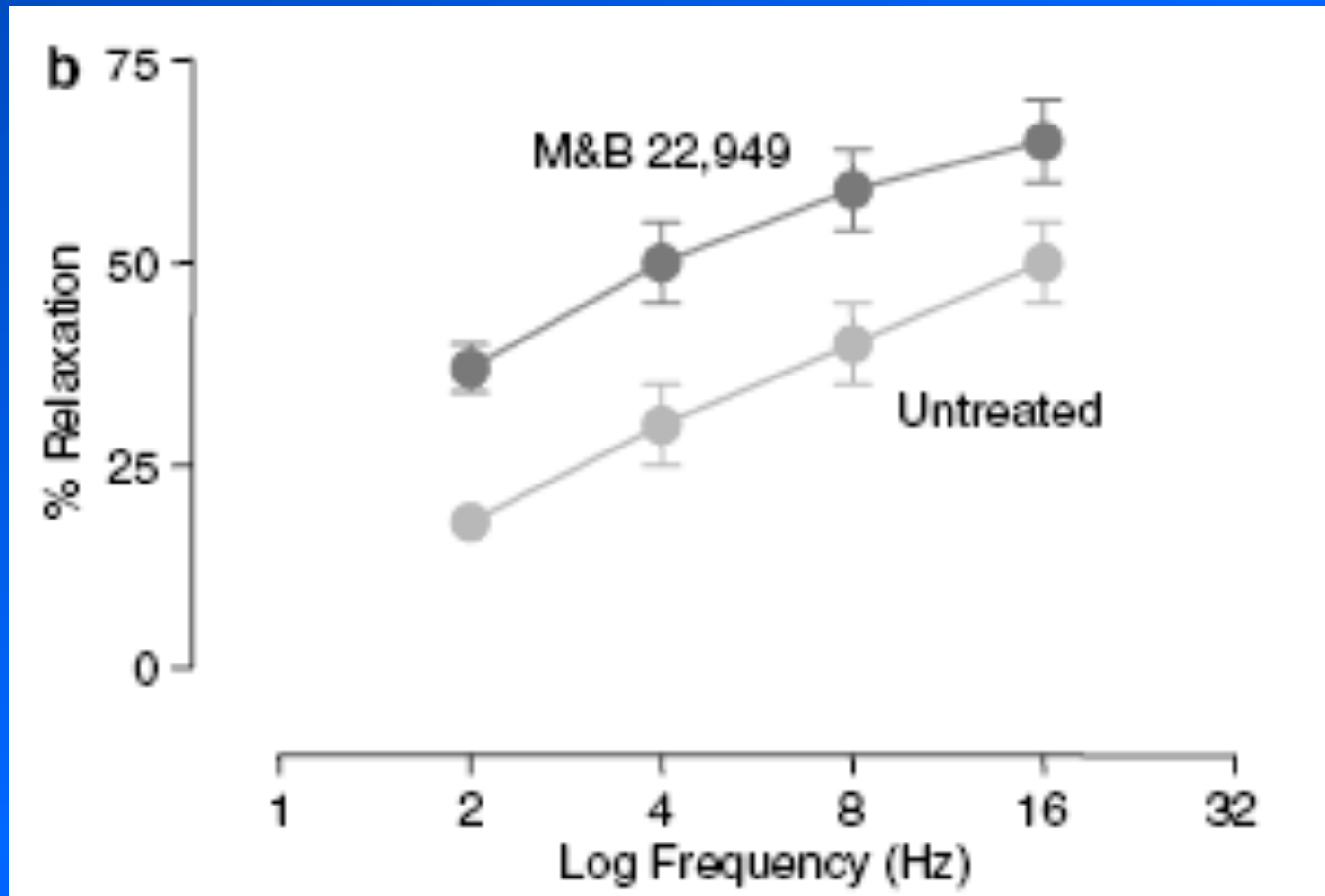
## **PDE-5 inhibition in angina**

**Phase I trials with sildenafil were  
disappointing**

**But**

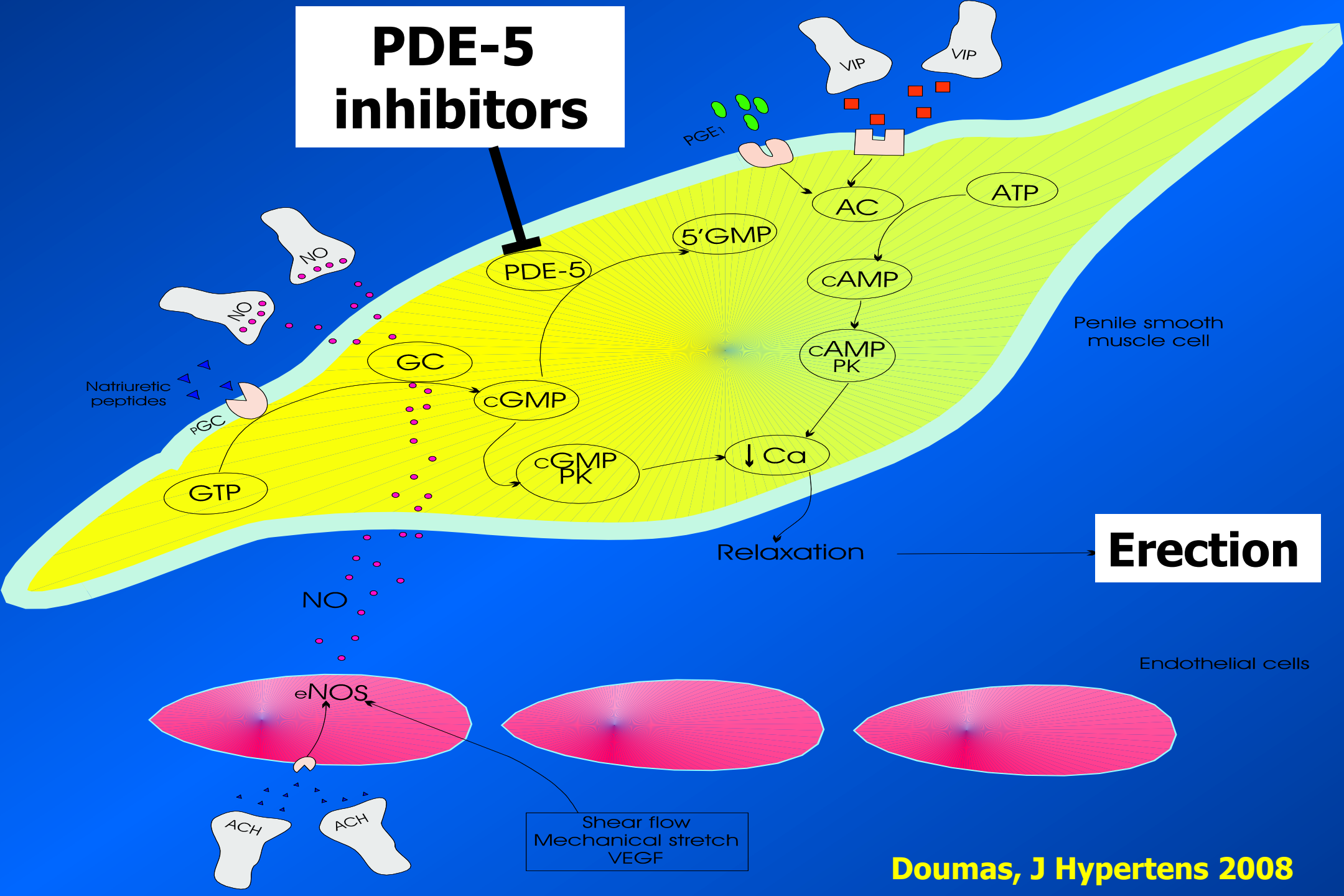
**An unexpected side effect evolved  
Penile erection**

# PDE-5 inhibition in penile tissue





# PDE-5 inhibitors



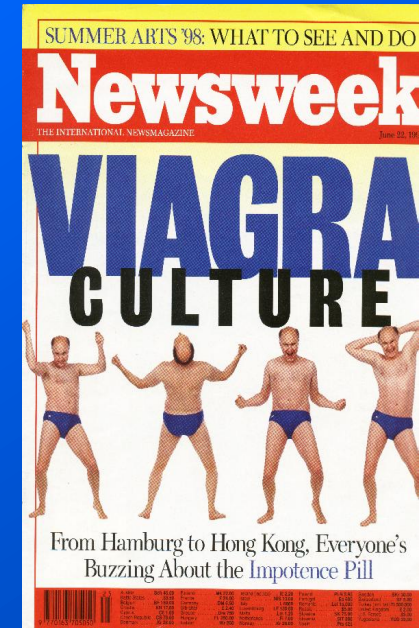
**Erection**

Endothelial cells

Shear flow  
Mechanical stretch  
VEGF

# The era of PDE-5 inhibitors

## March 1998 FDA approval of sildenafil



**“Man survives earthquakes,  
experiences the horrors of illness ,  
and all of the tortures of the soul.**

**But the most tormenting tragedy of all time is,  
and will be, the tragedy of the bedroom.”**

*Tolstoy*

**Πνευμονικά νοσήματα  
&  
στυτική δυσλειτουργία**

## ED - asthma

- 17.032 άτομα, 3.466 με άσθμα
- 1,9 φορές μεγαλύτερος κίνδυνος για ΣΔ
- Συσχέτιση με τη βαρύτητα του άσθματος
  - 4,2 φορές σε >24 επισκέψεις/έτος
  - 3,5 φορές σε 12-24 επισκέψεις/έτος

## ED - COPD

- 29.042 ασθενείς, ίσος αριθμός μαρτύρων
- 1,9 φορές μεγαλύτερος κίνδυνος για ΣΔ
- Συσχέτιση με τη βαρύτητα της νόσου
  - 11,5 φορές σε >5 εισαγωγές/έτος
  - 5,5 φορές σε >2 επισκέψεις/έτος στα ΤΕΠ

## ED - OSAS

- 603 ασθενείς με ΣΥΑ, 17.182 με διαταραχές ύπνου, 35.570 ομάδα σύγκρισης
- 9,4 φορές μεγαλύτερος κίνδυνος για ΣΔ σε ΣΥΑ
- 3,7 φορές μεγαλύτερος κίνδυνος για ΣΔ σε διαταραχές ύπνου

## Therapy for OSAS and ED

- 207 ασθενείς με ΣΥΑ
- ΣΔ: 61% σε ΣΥΑ, 72% σε σοβαρό ΣΥΑ
- 3 μήνες θεραπεία με CPAP
- Βελτίωση του IIEF score (18,2 σε 19,2)

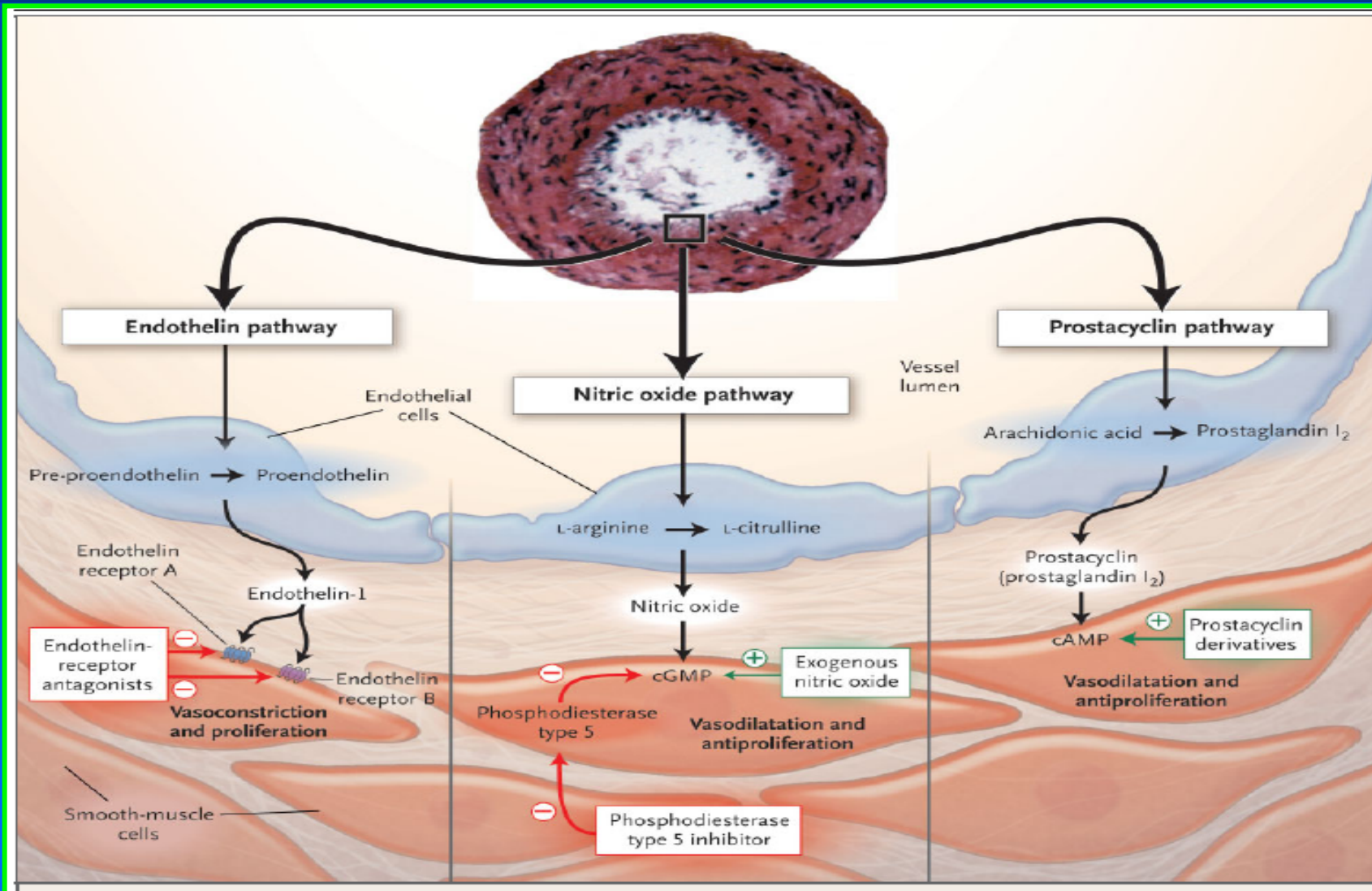


## PDE-5 inhibitors for pulmonary disease

- Πειραματικές μελέτες: Βρογχοδιαστολή, ελαττωμένη παγίδευση αέρα
- Πιλοτικές μελέτες: Ενθαρρυντικές
- Μεγάλες μελέτες: Πτωχά αποτελέσματα σε ΧΑΠ, εμφύσημα, ιδιοπαθή πνευμονική ίνωση
- Διαταραχή αερισμού/αιμάτωσης
- TADA-PHiLD trial

# PULMONARY HYPERTENSION

# Therapeutic targets



INITIAL THERAPY			
Recommendation-Evidence	WHO-FC II	WHO-FC III	WHO-FC IV
I-A	Ambrisentan, Bosentan, Sildenafil	Ambrisentan, Bosentan, Sitaxentan, Sildenafil, Epoprostenol i.v., Iloprost inhaled	Epoprostenol i.v.
I-B	Tadalafil†	Tadalafil† Treprostinil s.c., inhaled†	
IIa-C	Sitaxentan	Iloprost i.v., Treprostinil i.v.	Ambrisentan, Bosentan, Sitaxentan, Sildenafil, Tadalafil, Iloprost inhaled, and i.v., Treprostinil s.c., i.v., inhaled† Initial Combination Therapy
IIb-B		Beraprost	

## PDE-5 inh vs ET-1 inh in PAH

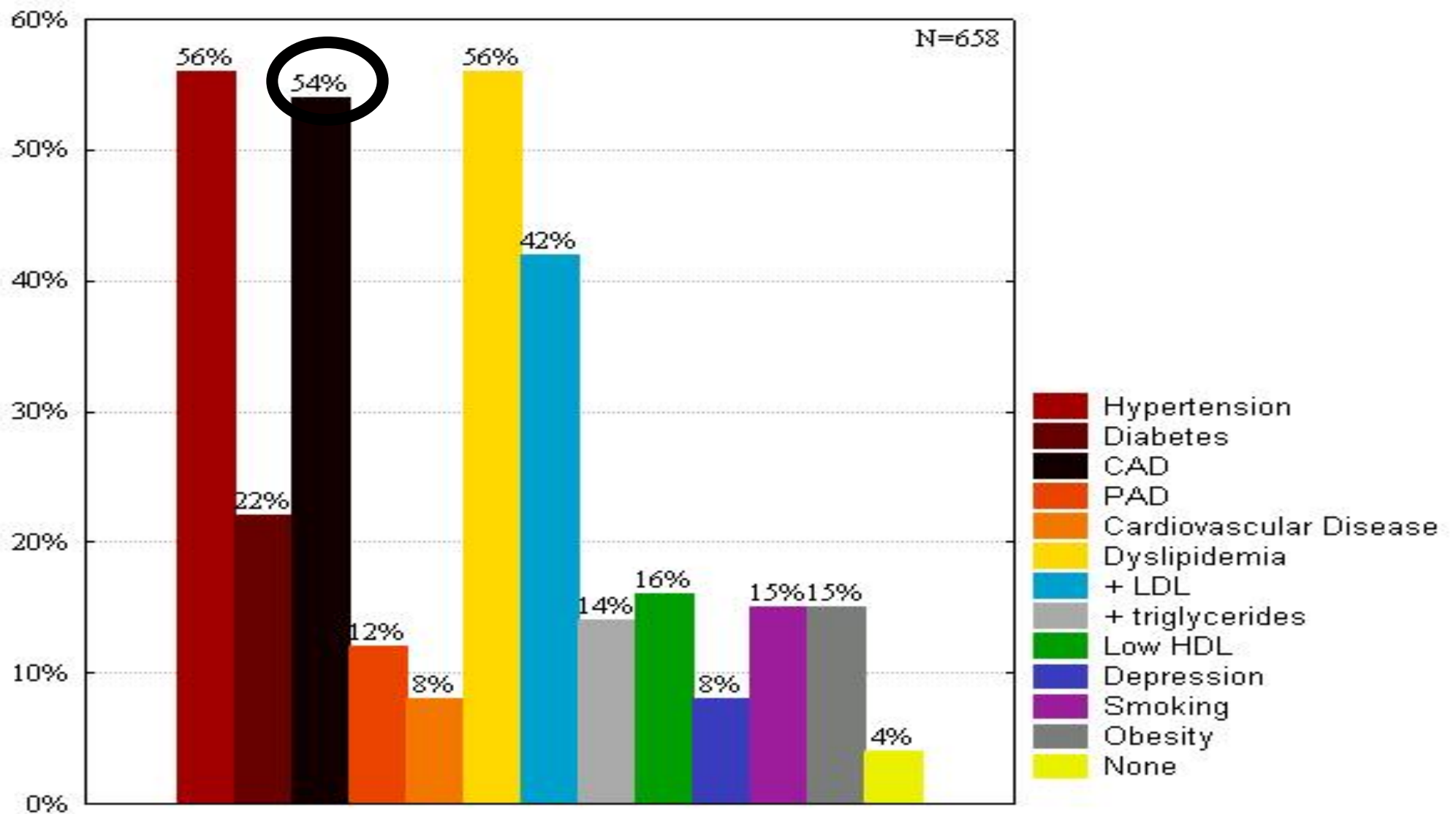
	<b>Bosentan</b> Rubin L. <i>NEJM</i> . 2002	<b>Sitaxsentan</b> Barst R. <i>JACC</i> . 2006	<b>Ambrisentan</b> Galie N. <i>Circ</i> . 2008	<b>Sildenafil</b> Galie N. <i>NEJM</i> . 2005
Dose	125 mg	100 mg	10 mg	20 mg
Baseline 6MW Distance (m)	326	360	341	347
Final 6MW Distance (m)	361	385	385	390
$\Delta$ 6MW Distance (m)	28	25	44	43
	+ 8%	+ 7%	+ 13%	+ 12%

# Comparison of Medical Treatments for PAH

	Cost \$ (annual)	Route	Frequency	Ease of Use	Side effects	Long-term Randomized data
Epoprostenol	~100,000	IV	Continuous	+	+++	No
Treprostinil	>175,000	SQ, IV, Inhaled	Continuous	++	+++	No
Iloprost	~175,000	Inhaled	6-9x per day	++	++	No
Sildenafil	~15,000	Oral	TID	+++	+	No
Tadalafil	~12,000	Oral	Daily	+++	+	No
Bosentan	~75,000	Oral	BID	++++	+	No
Ambrisentan	~75,000	Oral	Once a day	++++	+	No

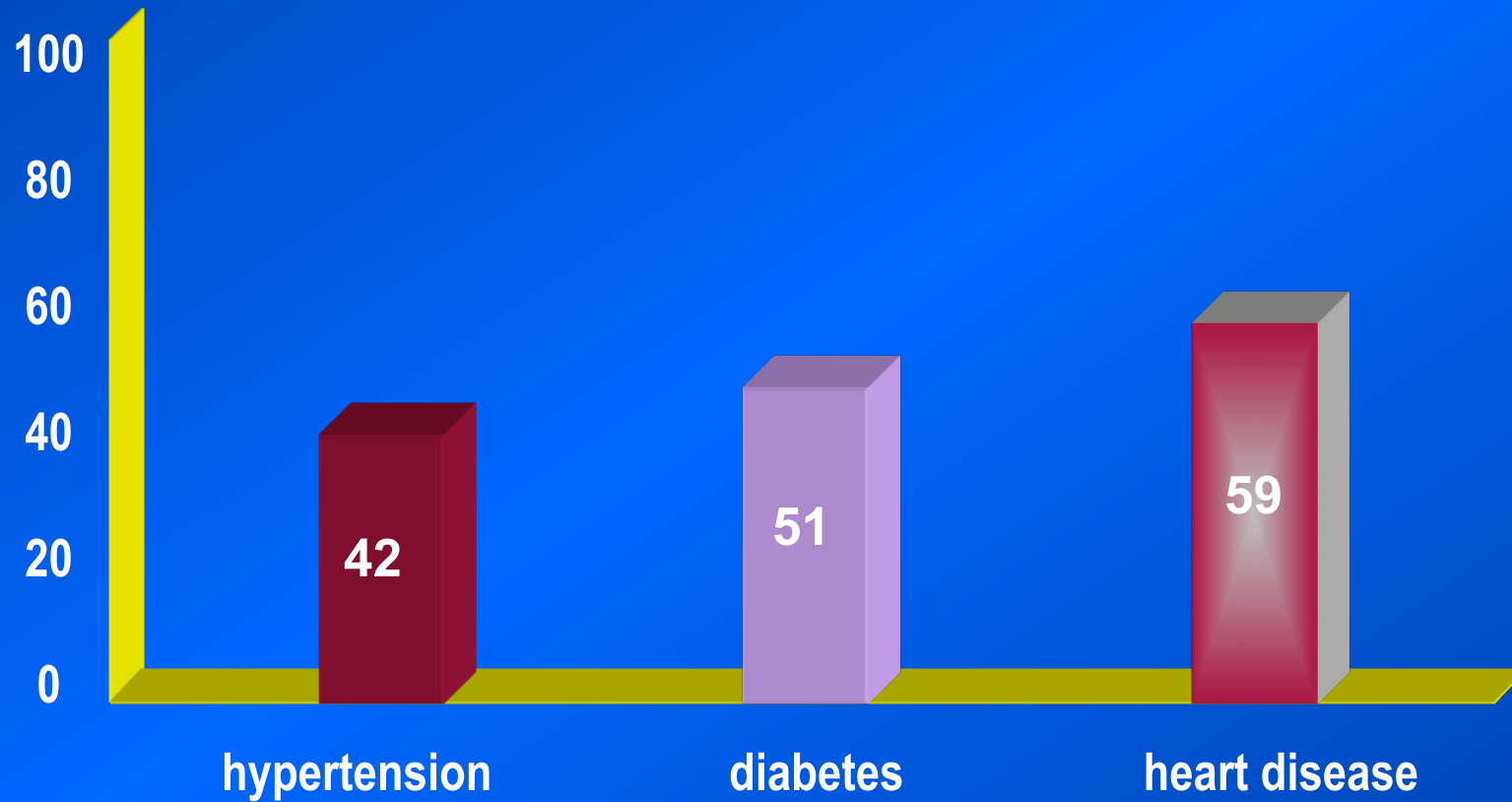
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# Prevalence of Concomitant Conditions in ED Patients



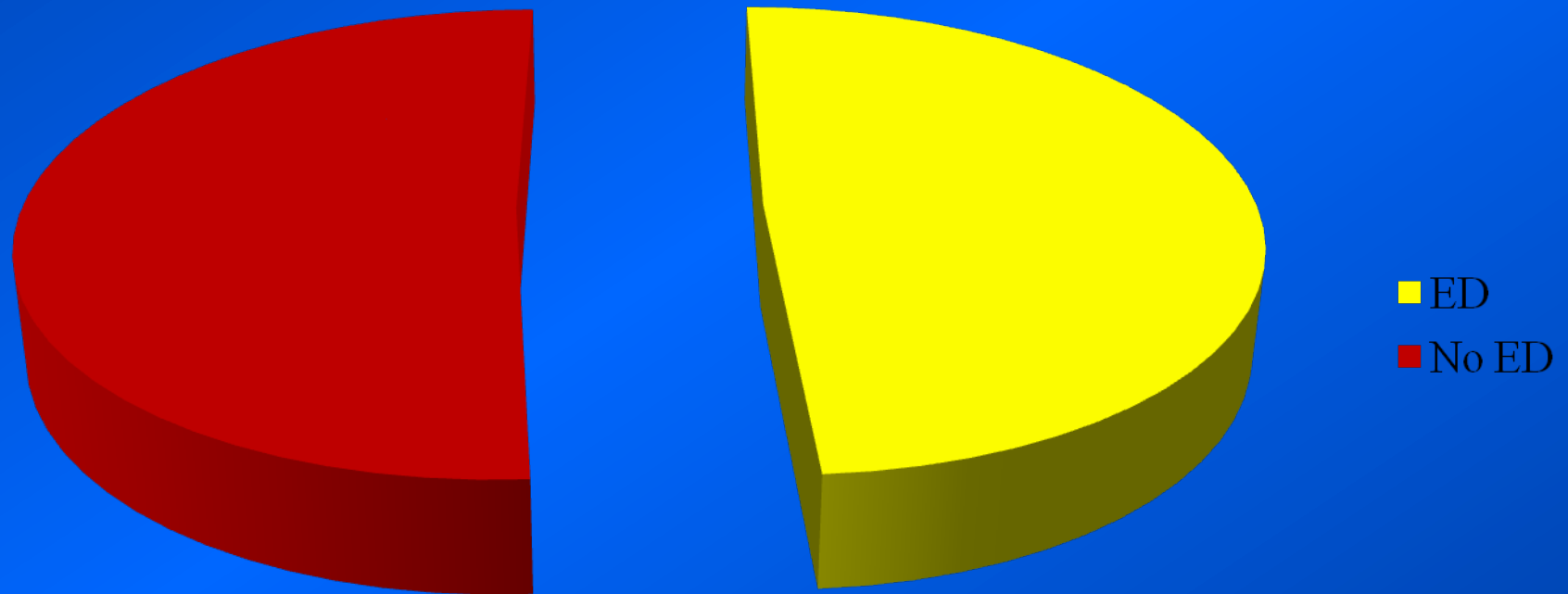


## ED in cardiovascular disease



**MMAS study**

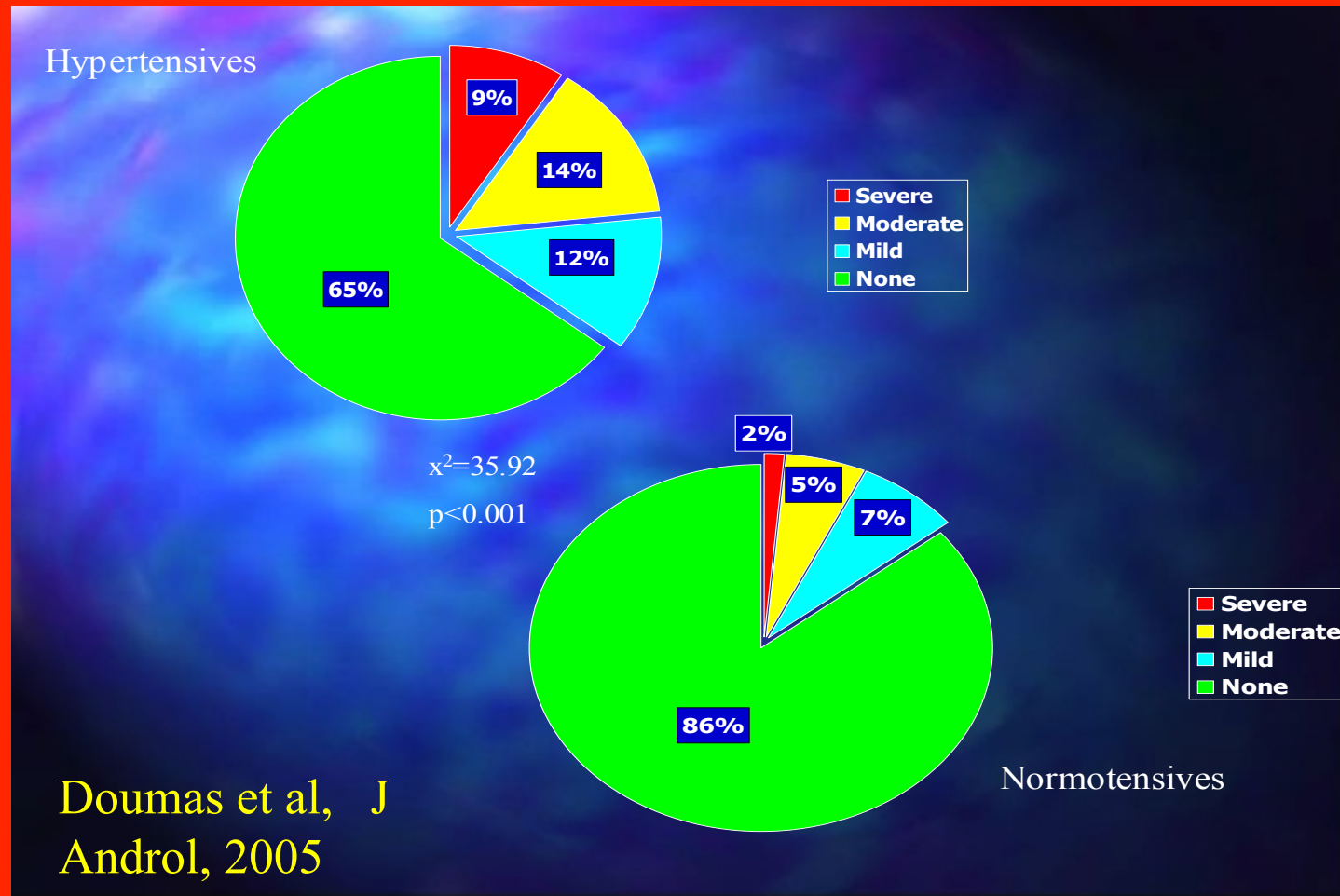
# ED in ACS patients



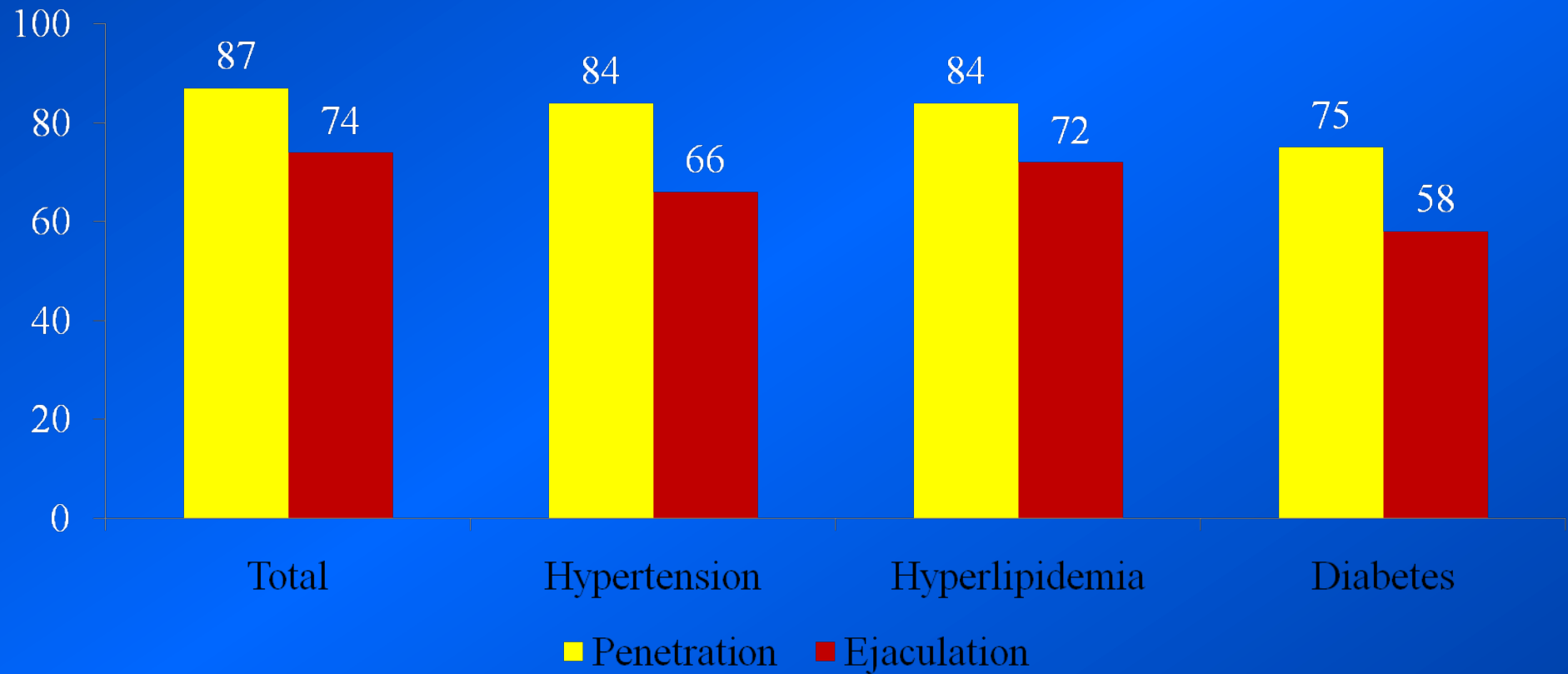
# ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION

**SAFETY**  
**EFFICACY**

# Prevalence of erectile dysfunction



# Efficacy



## **Safety in hypertension**

Concerns have been raised regarding sildenafil use in patients taking complicated, multidrug, antihypertensive regimens, where sildenafil could be “potentially hazardous”.

## **Safety in hypertension**

**Current available data strongly indicate that PDE-5 inhibitors may be **effectively** and **safely** co-administered with all classes of antihypertensive drugs, even in patients taking multiple antihypertensive agents.**

# PDE-5 inhibitors and $\alpha$ -blockers

**FDA label:**

**No contraindications, only precautions**

**alpha-blockers: start low dose PDE-5 inh**

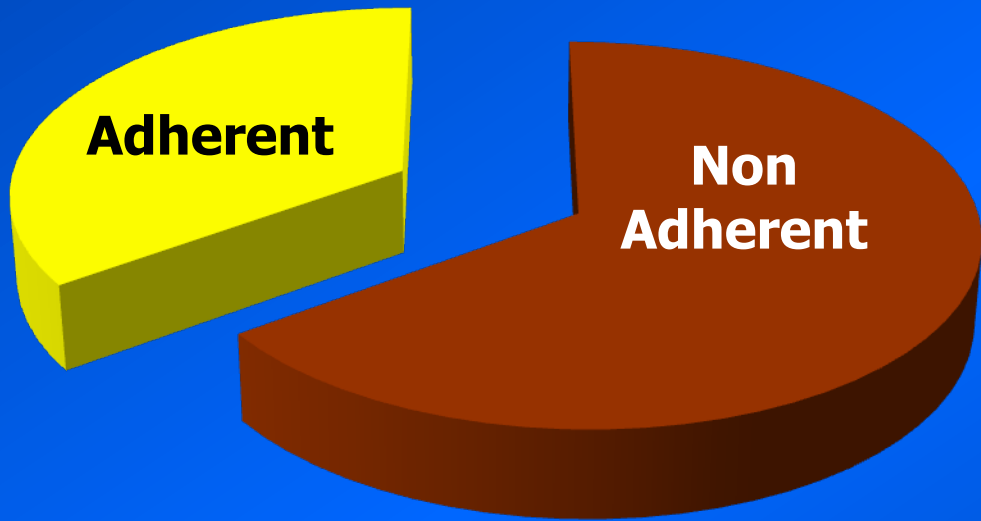
**PDE-5 inh: start low dose  $\alpha$ -blockers**



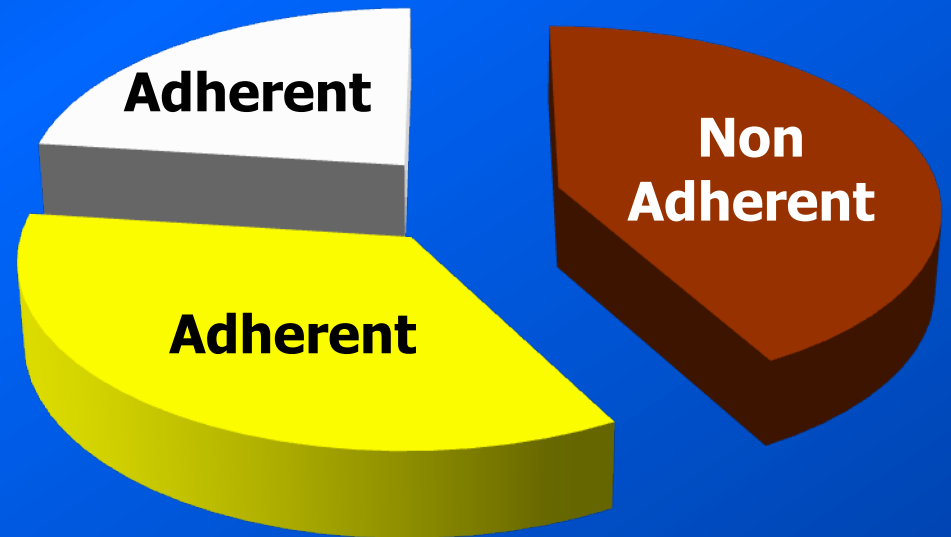
# Efficacy in hypertension

Increased compliance

Before PDE-5

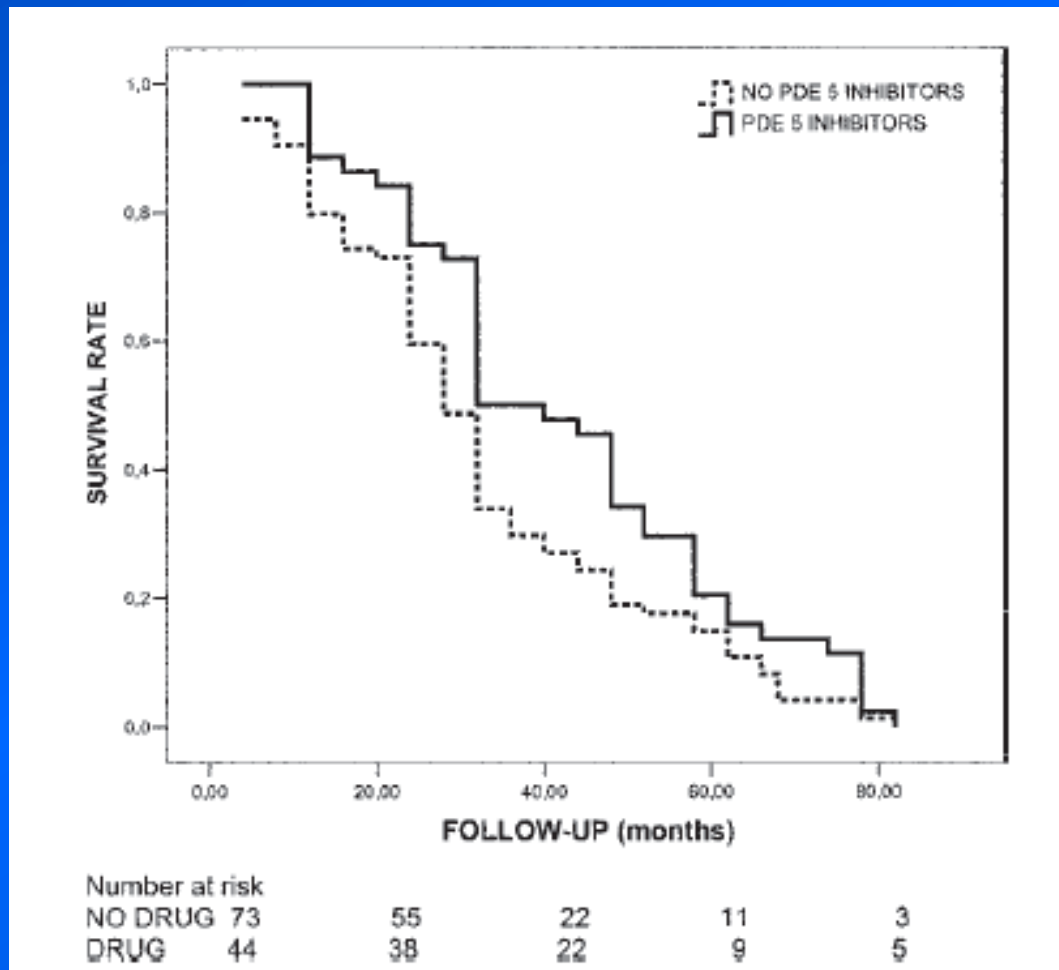


After PDE-5

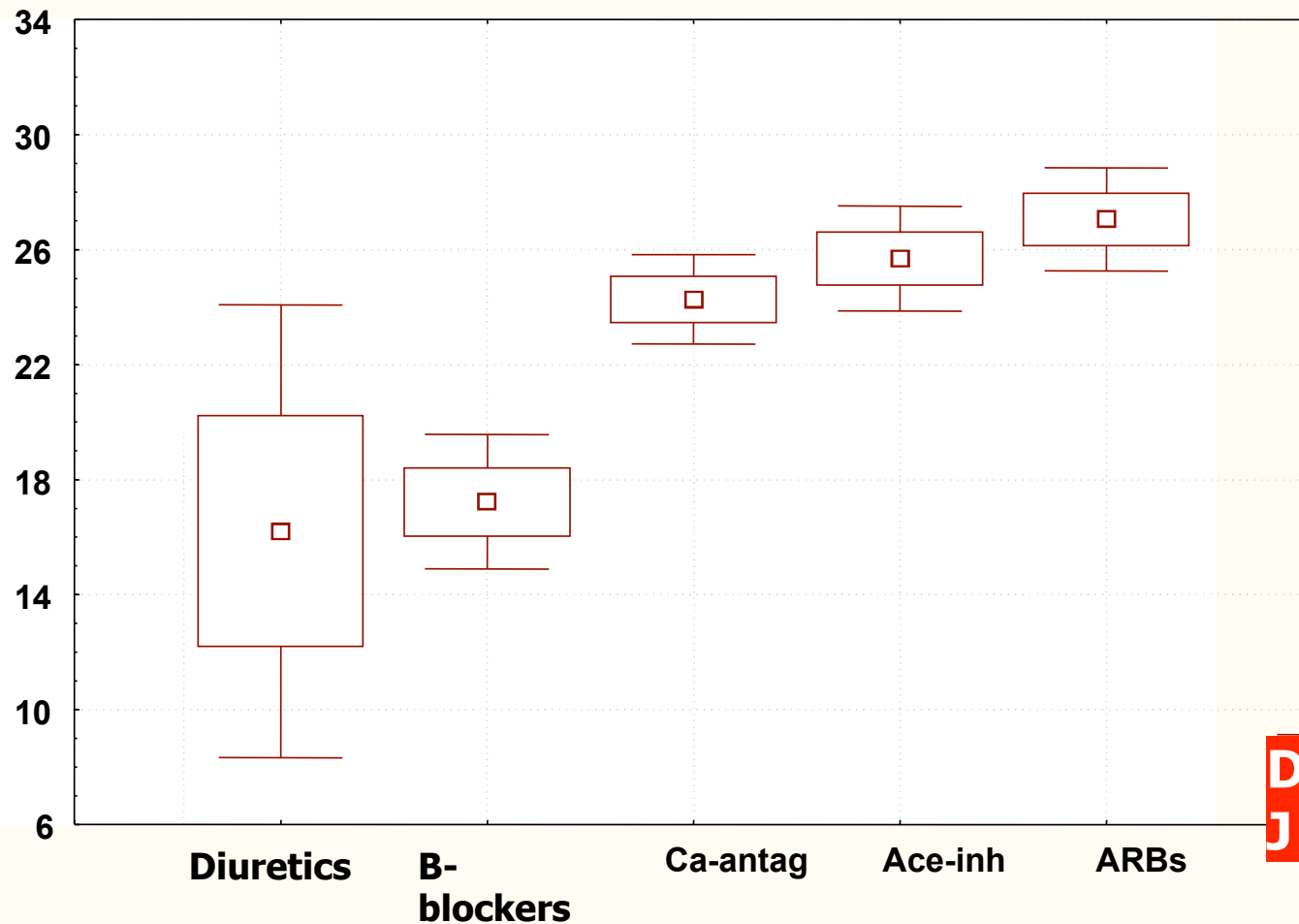


# ED and death – Protection with PDE-5 inh

## Type 2 diabetes mellitus



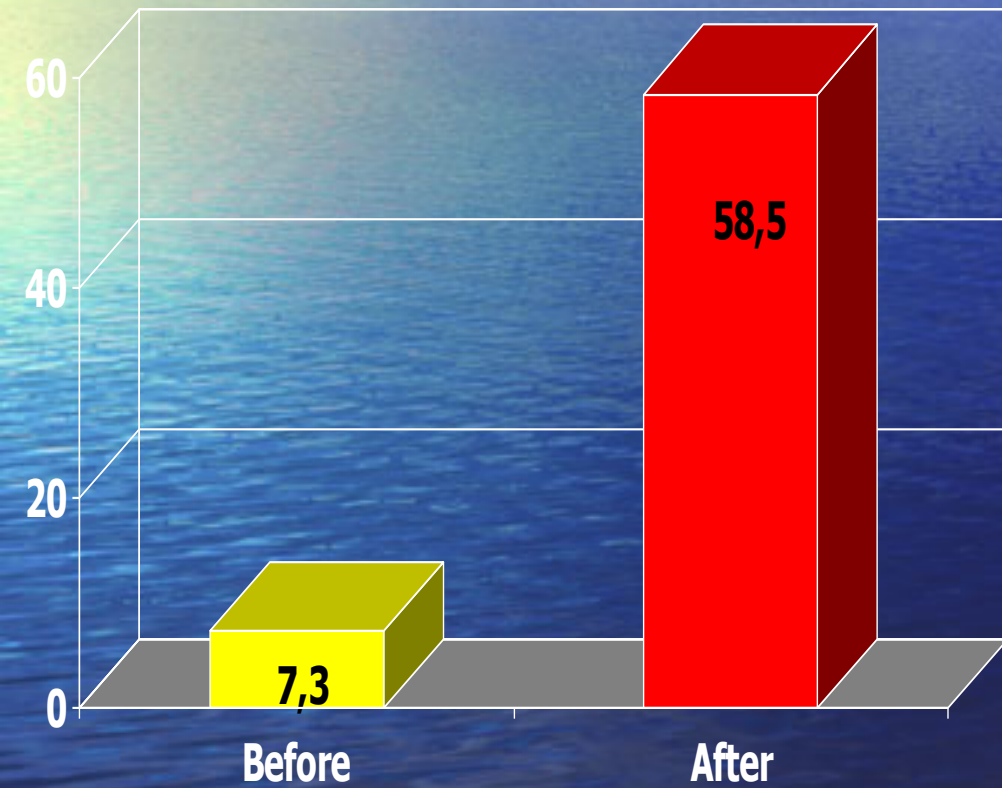
# Data from everyday clinical practice



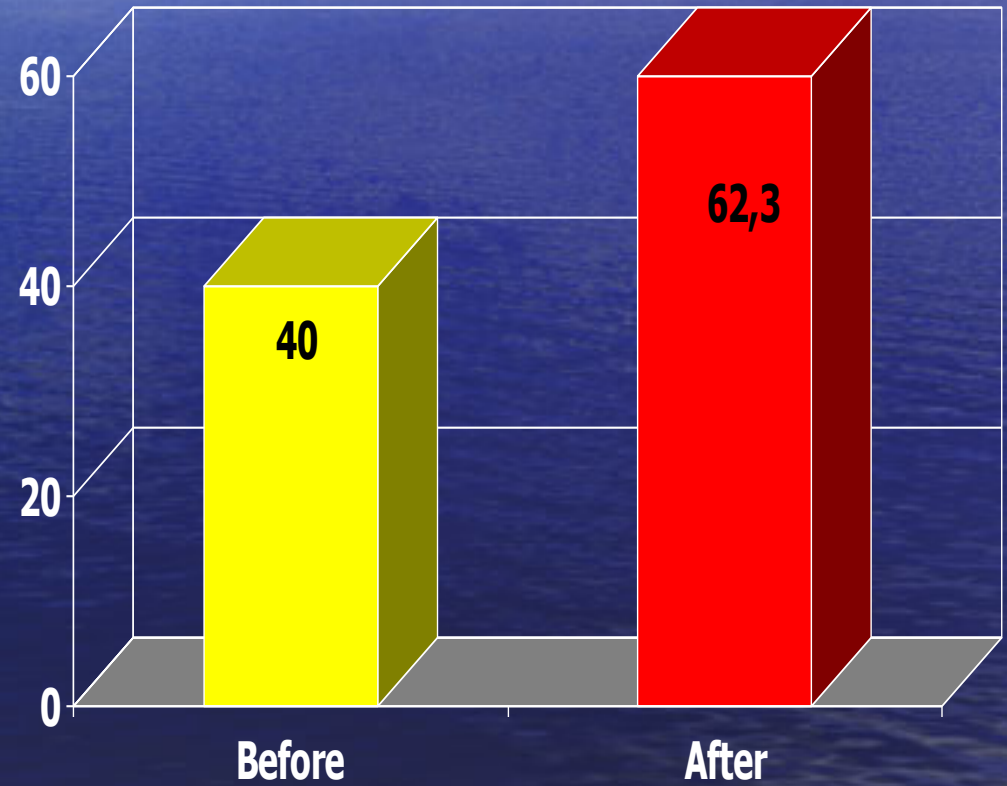
**Doumas et al,  
J Androl, 2005**

# Change of previous therapy to losartan

Caro, Am J Med Sci 2001



Sexual satisfaction



Sexual activity

# Erectile function score

## switch from b-blockers to nebivolol



# Patients on antihypertensive medication

Doumas, Manolis,  
Curr Hypertens 2016

No ED

Continue  
current  
treatment

ED

Lifestyle  
modification

add PDE-5  
unless  
contra-  
indicated

Substitute with  
ARBs or  
nebivolol \*

\*unless contraindicated and/or  
current treatment absolutely indicated

# Working Group

## What has been done



### European Society of Hypertension Scientific Newsletter: Update on Hypertension Management

2011; 12: No. 32  
revised version

#### SEXUAL DYSFUNCTION IN HYPERTENSION

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##### Introduction

Previously encountered as an unspoken reality, sexual dysfunction is now acknowledged as a clinical condition that impairs people's general health and well-being and has a major impact on the quality of life of both patients and their partners [1]. It is thus not surprising that sexual dysfunction represents a real therapeutic challenge to physicians of many specialties. Erectile dysfunction has been defined as the persistent inability to attain and/or maintain penile erection sufficient for sexual intercourse [2]. Female sexual dysfunction is described, in a more complex way, as a persistent or recurring decrease in sexual desire or in sexual arousal, the difficulty or the inability to achieve an orgasm, or the feeling of pain during sexual intercourse, which mirrors the multifold aspects of women sexuality [3].

**Sexual dysfunction and cardiovascular disease:  
what is new?**

USA in 1999) [13]. The disparity of available data reflects the differences in the study populations with regard to age, selection criteria, and cultural habits, in combination with the variant and often invalidated assessment methodologies; yet it highlights that sexual dysfunction is commonly encountered in the general population and may even represent a major burden in specific groups of patients.

##### Sexual dysfunction in hypertensive patients

Currently considered a disease of vascular origin [14], erectile dysfunction has been repeatedly found to be higher among hypertensive compared to normotensive subjects (i.e. 45.8% vs. 18.9% in Spain, 35.2% vs. 14.1% in Greece). Similarly, accumulating evidence shows that hypertensive women exhibit a higher prevalence of sexual dysfunction compared to normotensives (42.1% vs. 19.4% according to one study, odds ratio 3.2) [15]. Duration and severity of hypertension were positively correlated with the degree of sexual dysfunction [16]. Obstructive

**Doumas, ASH NY 2012**

# Working Group

## What has been done

### **Hypertension and sexual dysfunction: time to act**

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Giuseppe Mancia<sup>e</sup>, for the European Society of Hypertension  
Working Group on Sexual Dysfunction

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**Keywords:** antihypertensive drugs, coronary artery disease, erectile dysfunction, hypertension, PDE-5 inhibitors, prevalence, sexual dysfunction

**Abbreviations:** ACE, angiotensin-converting enzyme; ARBs, angiotensin receptor blockers; ESH, European Society of Hypertension; PDE, phosphodiesterase

clinicians dealing with hypertensive patients (hypertension specialists, cardiologists, internists, nephrologists, diabetologists, and general practitioners) about the magnitude of the problem, the recognition of sexual dysfunction and its management in hypertensive patients. An equally important objective is to familiarize other medical specialties managing sexual dysfunction (urolo-



## ESH guidelines 2013

### **Hypertension and erectile dysfunction**

Erectile dysfunction is a prevalent condition in hypertensive patients and a predictor of future cardiovascular events. Screening and treatment of erectile dysfunction improves management of cardiovascular risk factors. After initiating therapy with phosphodiesterase (PDE) 5 inhibitors, patients are more likely to take antihypertensive medication and BP control is improved [272]. Older antihypertensive drugs (diuretics,  $\beta$ -blockers, centrally acting drugs) exert negative effects, whereas newer drugs have neutral or beneficial effects (calcium antagonists, ACE inhibitors, angiotensin receptor antagonists, nebivolol) [273].

## **Working Group on Sexual Dysfunction in Hypertension**

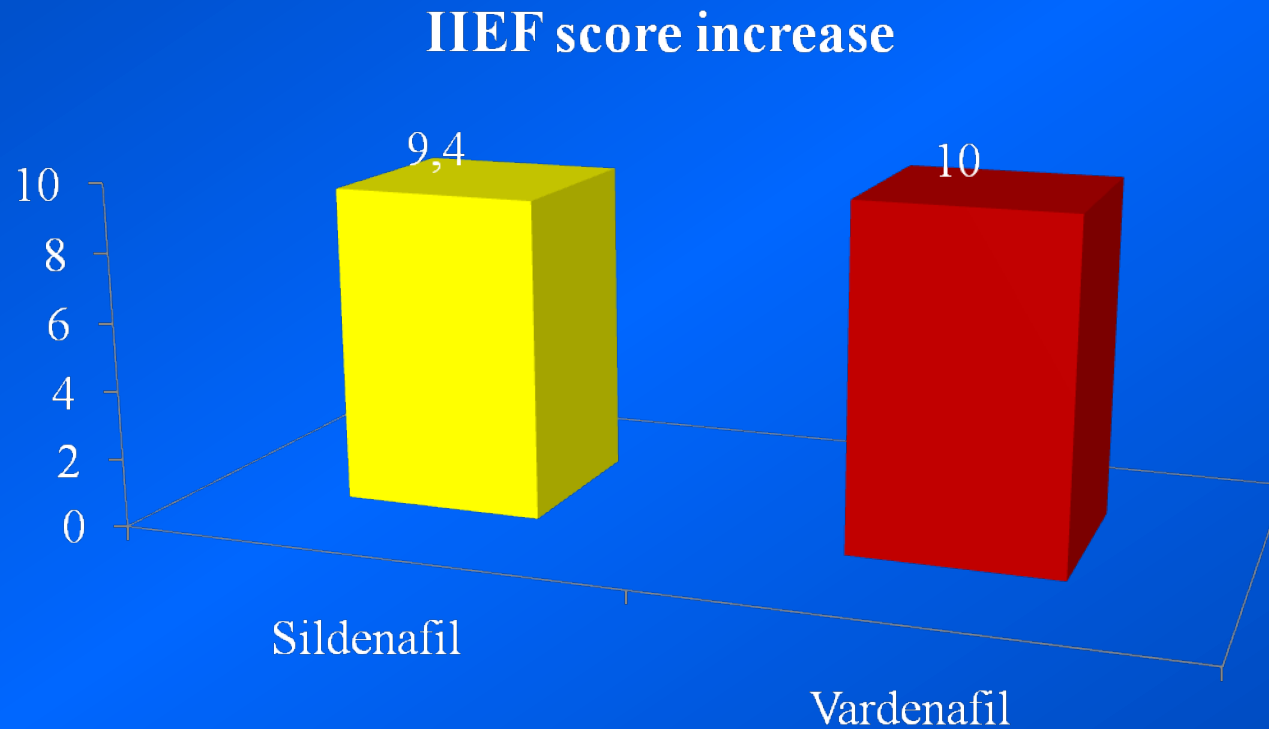
**“At 2016 >40% and at 2020 >80%  
of hypertensive patients in Europe  
will be asked about sexual dysfunction  
and will be adequately managed”**

**PDE-5 inhibitors**

**&**

**CVD**

# PDE-5 inhibitors in CVD



# Nitrates after PDE-5 inh

- Safe 24h after sildenafil (6 lifetimes). In healthy subjects safe even after 4h.

Oliver, Int J Impot Res 2002

- Vardenafil: as sildenafil

Bayer-Glaxo 2003

- At least 48h after tadalafil under close medical supervision

Kloner, JACC 2003

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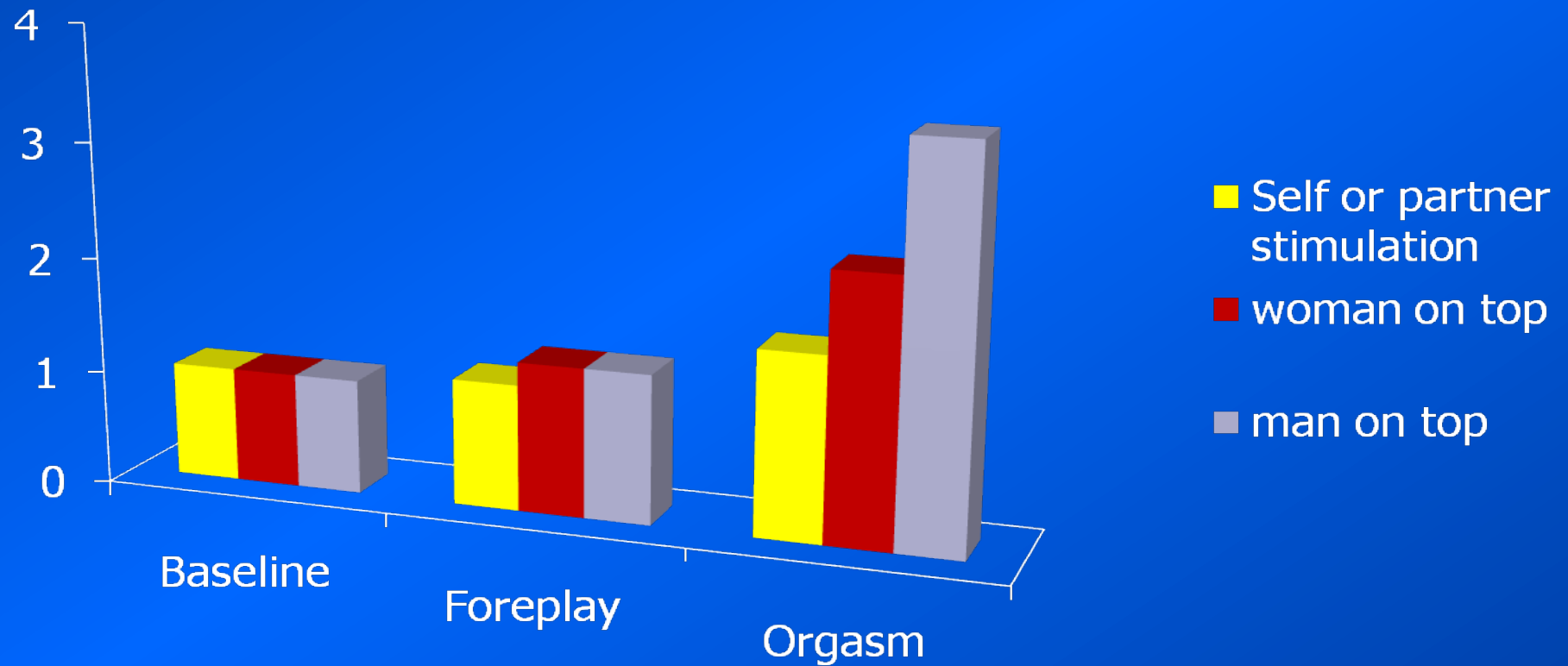
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Καρδιά



**'I've screened your heart  
and it appears to be broken'**

# Metabolic needs during sexual intercourse



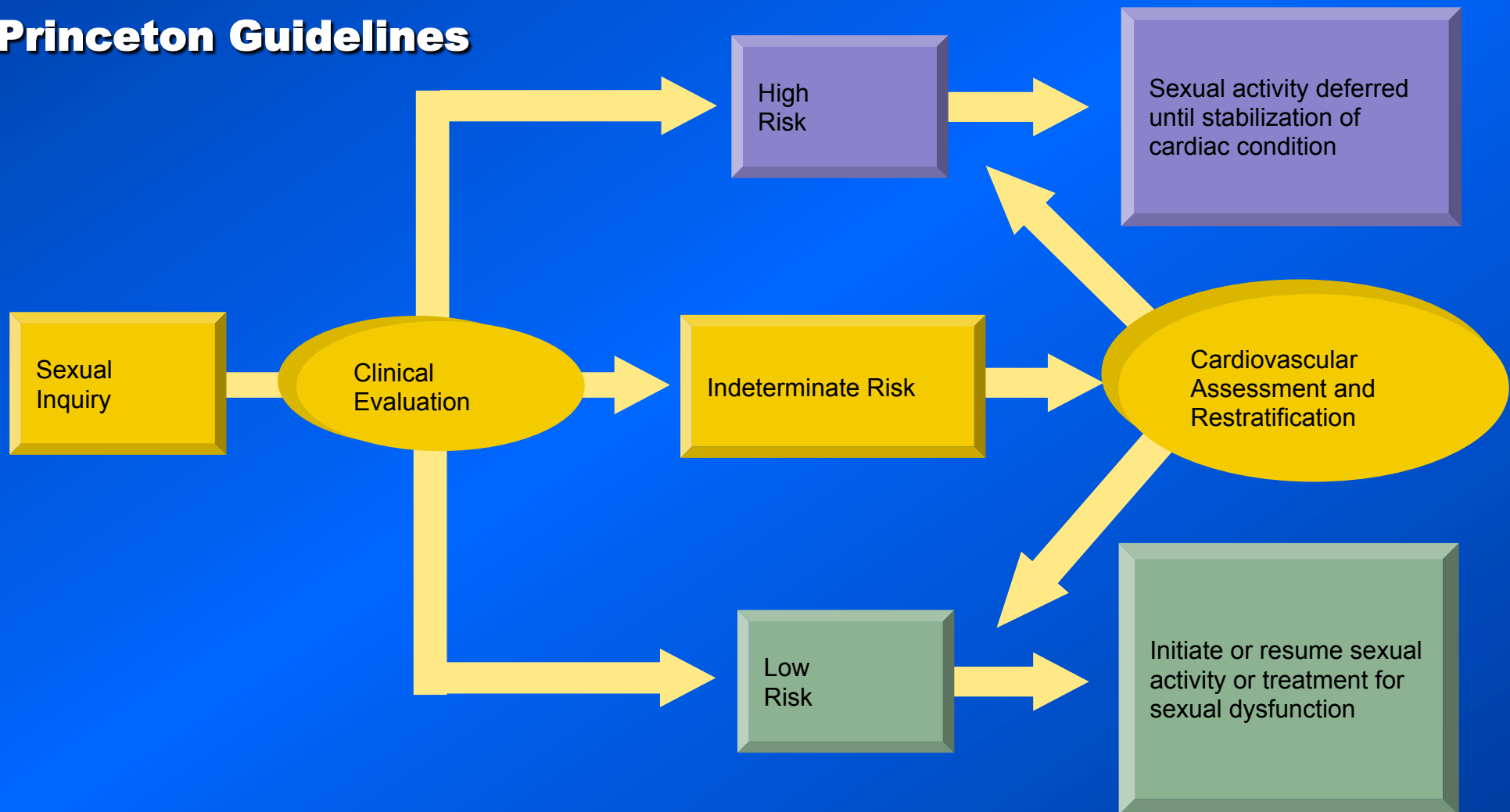


# METs during daily activities

- Female on top 2.5
- Male on top 3.3
- **Extra-marital 5-6**
  
- Walking 3.2
- **Tennis 6.8**
- Gardening 4.4
- Carpentry 5-7

# Sexual Activity and Cardiac Risk Assessment

## Princeton Guidelines



# High risk patients

## Second Princeton Consensus

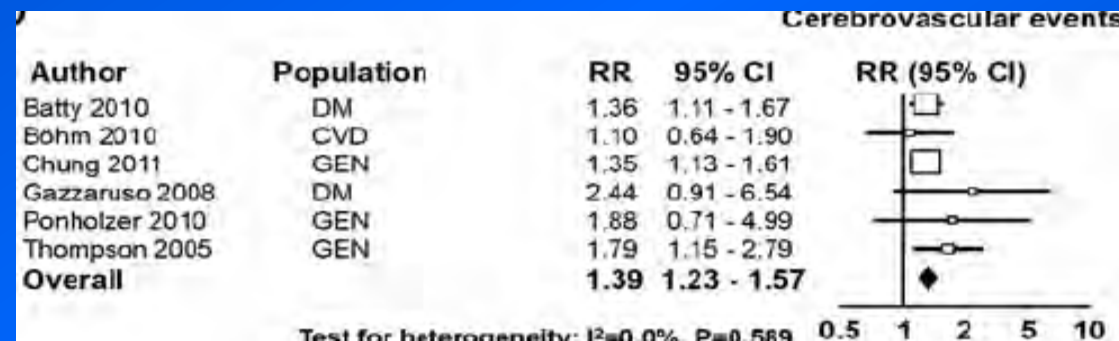
- Unstable angina
- Recent AMI(<2 weeks)
- Heart failure (NYHA class III/IV)
- Malignant arrhythmias
- HOCAM
- Moderate to severe valvular disease
- Uncontrolled hypertension

# Η σεξουαλική δυσλειτουργία ως παράγοντας καρδιαγγειακού κινδύνου

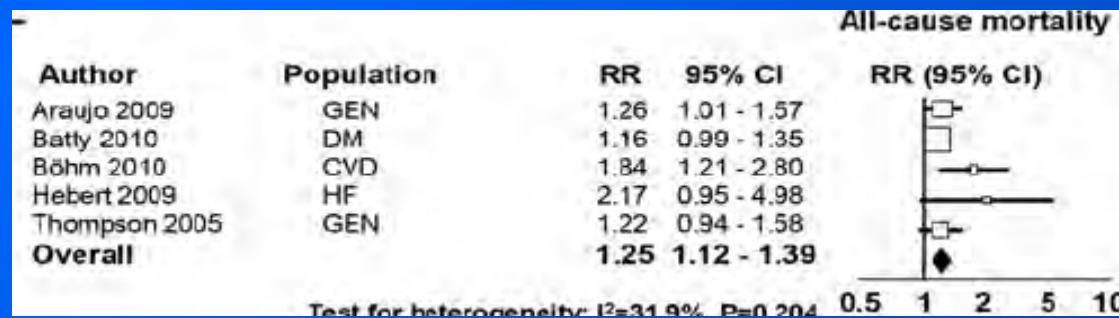
# ED – CV events – mortality Meta-analysis



62%



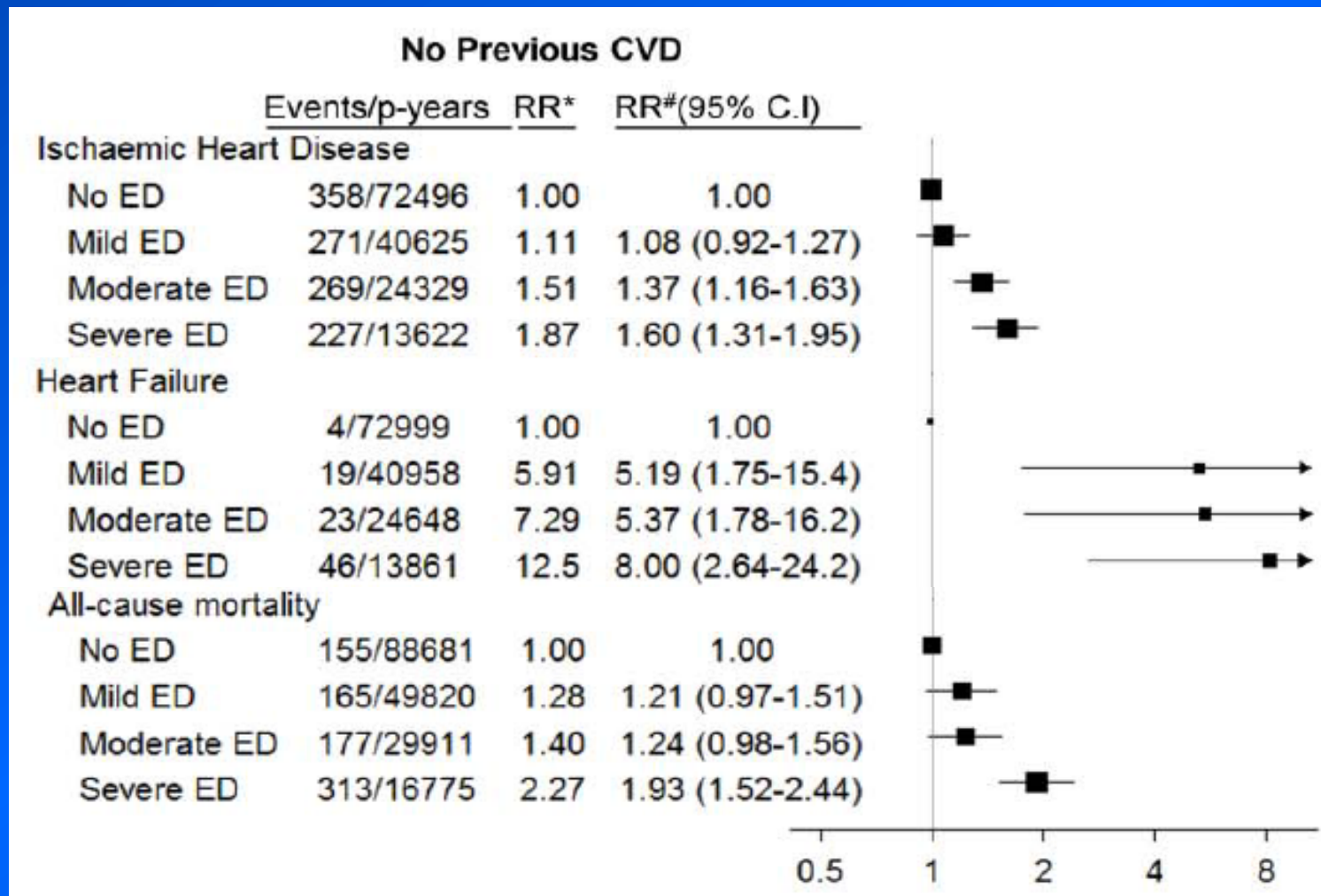
39%



25%

# ED as predictor of CV events and mortality

## General population - 95,038 individuals



# ED and subsequent CHD type 2 diabetes mellitus

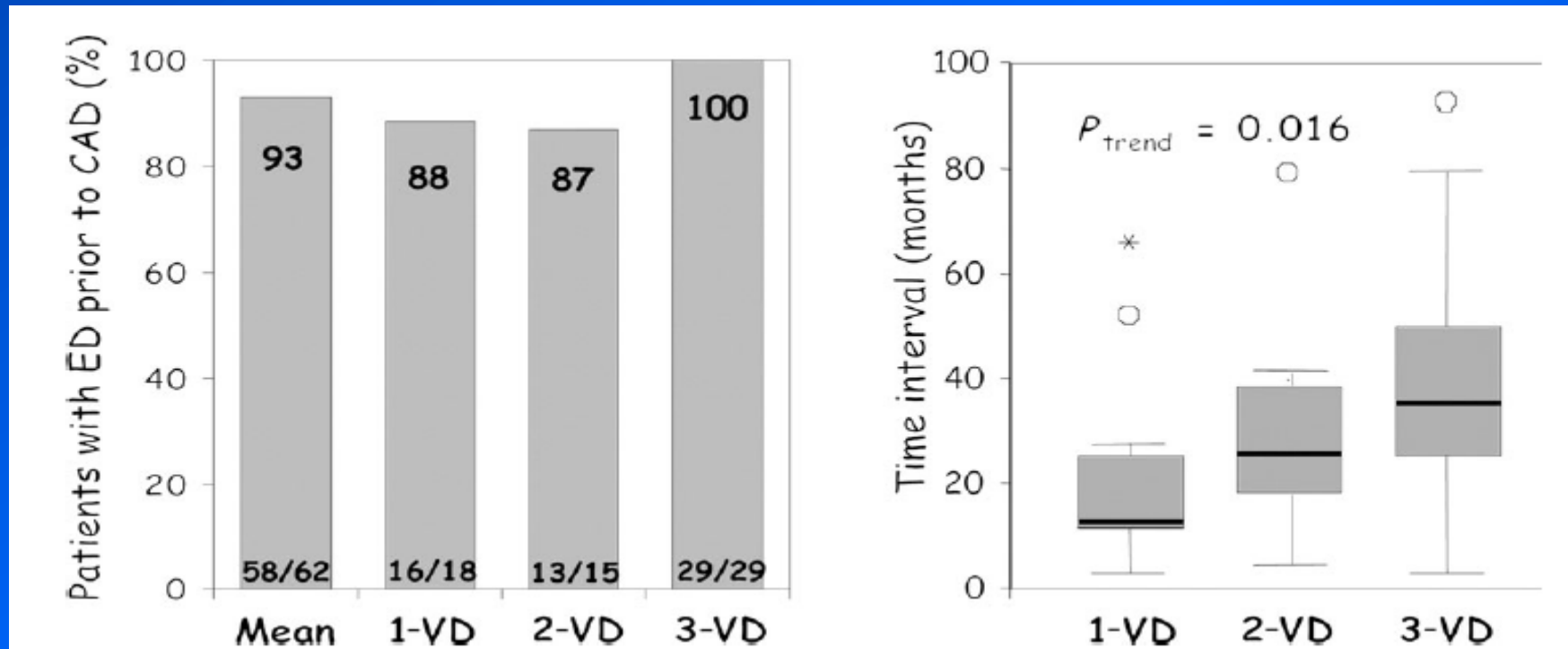
**Table 3** Predictors of New Onset of CHD Events In 2,306 Chinese Men With Type 2 Diabetes With Multivariate Analysis

	<b>Hazard Ratio</b>	<b>95% Confidence Intervals</b>	<b>p Value</b>
Age	1.02	1.00–1.04	0.026
Duration of diabetes	1.03	1.00–1.06	0.025
<b>Albuminuria</b>			
Normoalbuminuria	1.00		
Microalbuminuria	1.28	0.81–2.03	0.30
Macroalbuminuria	2.16	1.37–3.41	0.001
Use of antihypertensive medications	1.58	1.06–2.35	0.025
Erectile dysfunction	1.58	1.08–2.30	0.018

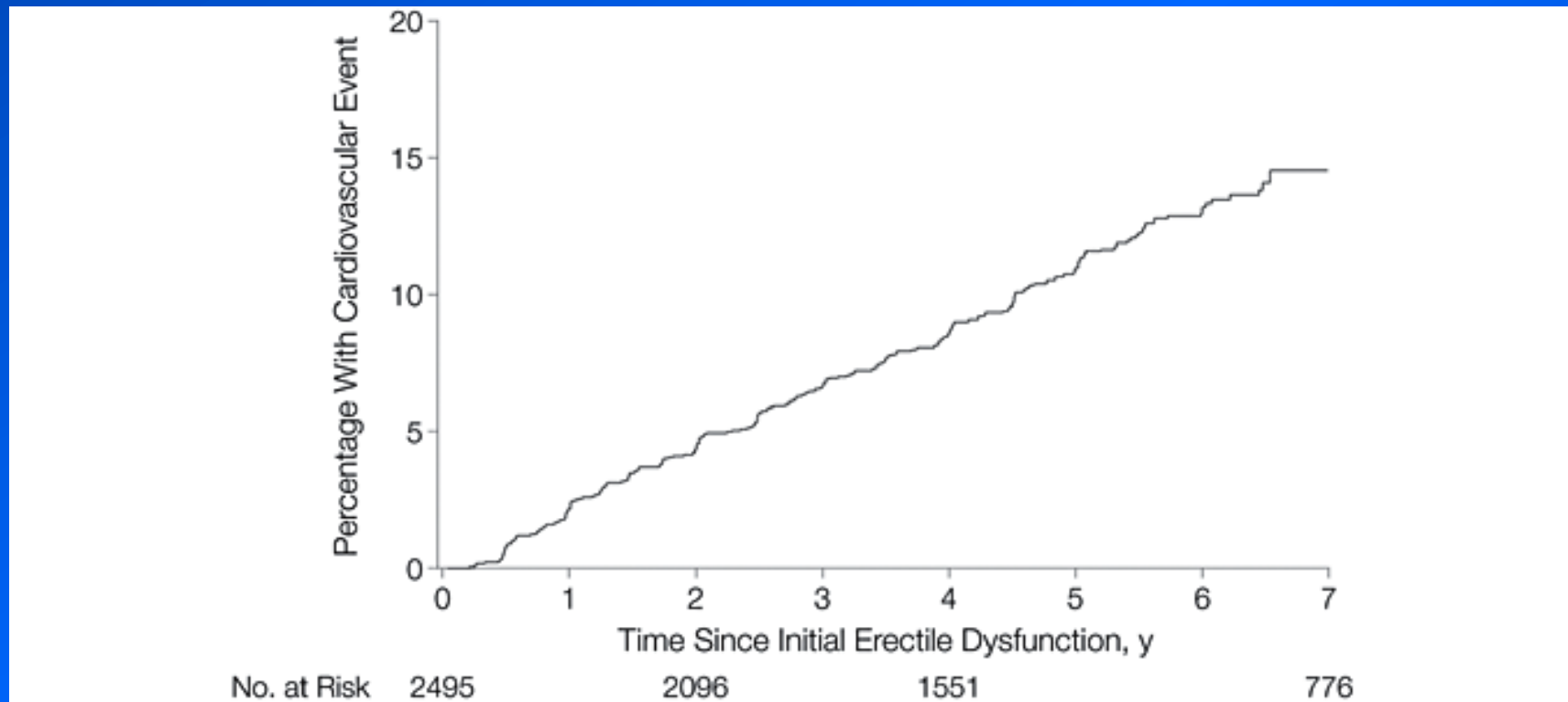
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στεφανιαίας νόσου**



# ED precedes CAD COBRA trial, 285 pts



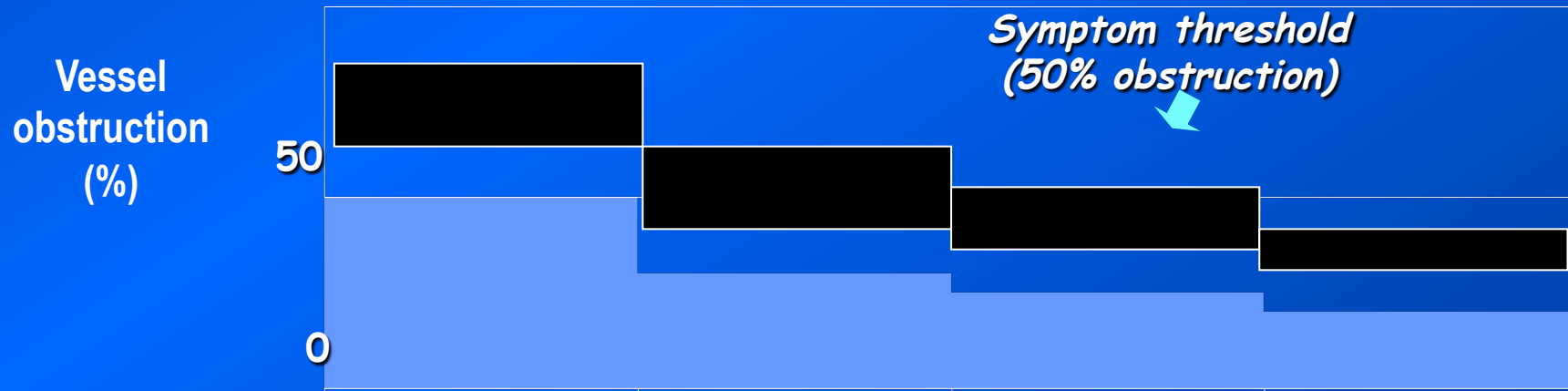
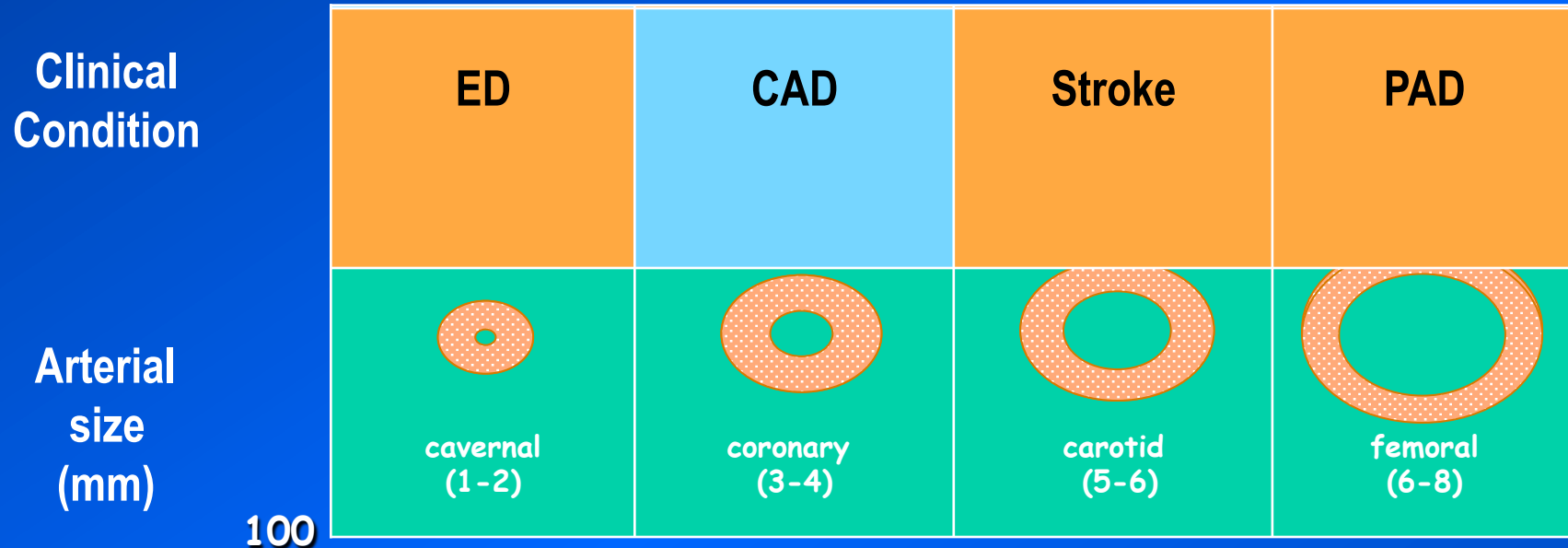
# ED and subsequent CVD general population



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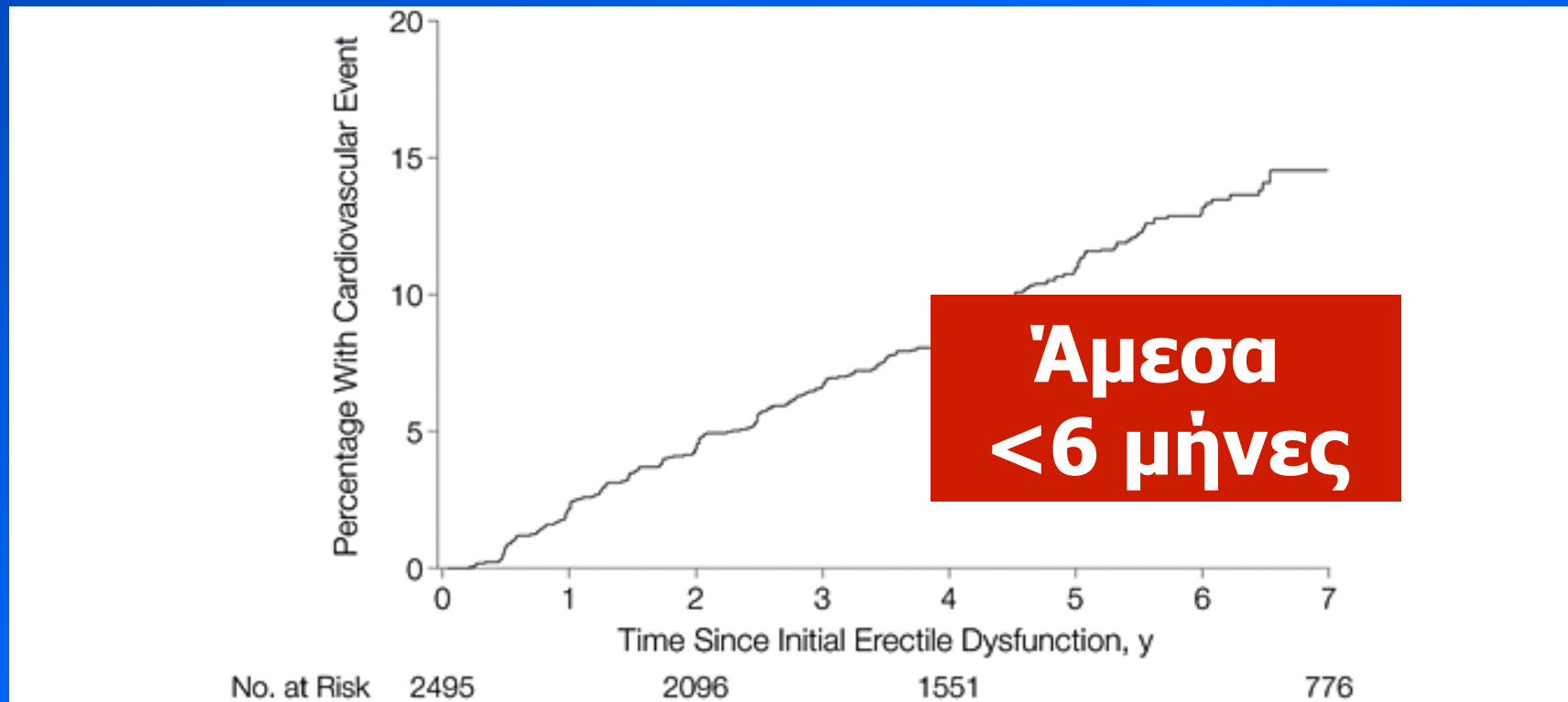
**παθοφυσιολογική ερμηνεία;;;**

# Artery size hypothesis



**Πότε θα διερευνήσουμε  
τους ασθενείς ;;;**

# ED and subsequent CVD general population



**Ποιους ασθενείς ;;;**

**Με ποιον τρόπο ;;;**

# Diagnostic – therapeutic algorithm

## A. Patients without established CVD or diabetes

### Low SCORE /FRS

Exercise ability  
Lifestyle advice or intervention  
Treatment of RFs  
PDE5i

*if biomarker abnormal and/or hypogonadism*

Exercise ability or stress test  
Lifestyle intervention  
RF drug intervention  
PDE5i  
Tth‡

### Moderate SCORE/FRS

Exercise ability or stress test (in  
higher scores)  
Lifestyle intervention  
Consider drug intervention if RF  
uncontrolled  
PDE5i

*if biomarker abnormal and/or hypogonadism*

Stress test  
Lifestyle intervention  
RF drug intervention  
PDE5i  
Tth‡

### High or Very high SCORE/FRS

Cardiologist referral  
Stress test  
Lifestyle intervention  
RF drug intervention  
PDE5i  
Tth‡



# Frequency of sexual activity and CV events

Multivariate Cox proportional hazards modeling estimates and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) for sexual function at baseline and incident cardiovascular disease

Model	Cardiovascular Disease			
	Measured by Self-Report, Medical Record, or NDI		Measured by Medical Record or NDI	
	HR (95% CI)	p Value	HR (95% CI)	p Value
<b>Frequency of sexual desire</b>				
Framingham and covariate adjusted*				
Weekly or 2-3 times monthly vs $\geq 2-3$ times weekly	1.05 (0.80-1.37)	0.72	0.88 (0.63-1.22)	0.43
Monthly or less vs $\geq 2-3$ times weekly	1.20 (0.84-1.73)	0.32	1.29 (0.85-1.94)	0.23
Framingham, covariate, and erectile dysfunction adjusted†				
Weekly or 2-3 times monthly vs 2-3 times weekly	1.00 (0.76-1.31)	0.99	0.82 (0.59-1.15)	0.25
Monthly or less vs $\geq 2-3$ times weekly	1.08 (0.76-1.54)	0.84	1.08 (0.68-1.70)	0.75
<b>Frequency of sexual activity</b>				
Framingham and covariate adjusted*				
Weekly or 2-3 times monthly vs $\geq 2-3$ times weekly	1.00 (0.76-1.31)	0.44	1.01 (0.72-1.42)	0.95
Monthly or less vs $\geq 2-3$ times weekly	1.45 (1.04-2.0†)	0.007	1.54 (1.07-2.22‡)	0.02
Framingham, covariate, and erectile dysfunction adjusted†				
Weekly or 2-3 times monthly vs $\geq 2-3$ times weekly	1.10 (0.83-1.46)	0.52	0.99 (0.70-1.40)	0.97
Monthly or less vs $\geq 2-3$ times weekly	1.45 (1.04-2.0†)	0.03	1.43 (0.97-2.11)	0.07

**+43%  
CV risk**

**Scientists prove:**

**THE MORE  
SEX MEN  
HAVE, THE  
LONGER  
THEY LIVE!**



