## **Bale/Doneen Live Chat Session**

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#### Red Flags:

Cognitive Impairment Air Pollution

Obesity trends in children thru 2012

#### <u>Disease:</u>

STEMI thrombi symptoms Stress imaging post PCI not helpful Stroke Risk 30 days post MI

#### Root Causes:

Psychosocial: Depression and post MI IR: Sugar Promotes CV death IR: HgA1C not predictive <u>Treatment:</u>

Fruit and vegetables reduce mortalityMetforminASA in noncardiac surgery - POISEACE better than ARBsACE advantage ang 1-7 and enhance insulin sensitivity

Ramipril and PAD – why?

# Outline for today's discussion



# **Red Flags**







### **Cognitive Impairment and Stroke Risk**





### **Cognitive Impairment and Stroke Risk**

- Prospective cohort studies with 95% CI were included between 1/1/80-10/1/13
- Risk of Stroke per SD lower performance in cognitive tests was calculated.
- 12 studies 82,899 participants, 3043 CVA.
  - f/u 3-21 years, men and women > 65 years old.

Pooled RR per each SD yielded a higher risk of stroke:
lower global performance: 1.19 (95% CI, 1.12-1.27)
lower executive function: 1.14 (95% CI, 1.06-1.24)
lower memory scores: 1.07 (95% CI, 1.02-1.12)
lower language scores: 1.08 (95% CI, 1.02-1.16)

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### **Cognitive Impairment and Stroke Risk**

#### Cognitive domain

Relative risk (95% CI)



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Cognitive Impairment and Stroke Risk Bale/Doneen Take-Away:

Agree with authors of study – suggest that cognitive assessment, particularly in older subjects, might be an easily accessible tool in daily practice to identify subjects at high risk of stroke and require further analysis

### Further analysis.....disease/inflammation!

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- Associated between hourly changes in air pollution on CVD morbidity.
- Cross over design 10,949 residents in Okayama Japan, aged <u>></u> 65 taken to hospital b/t 1/2006-12/2010 for onset of CVD events.
- Calculated hourly average city air pollutants from monitoring statins – focus on 'suspended particulate matter' & disease onset.
- Interesting note: researchers did control for weekly flu cases and excluded.

Yorifuji. CV Emergency hospital visits and hourly changes in air pollution. Published online April 1, 214. Stroke



Table 1.Characteristics of Emergency Hospital Visits forPatients >65 Years With Cardiovascular Disease and Residingin Okayama City, Japan, 2006 to 2010 (n=10 949)

|                                  | Patients    |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Age, y, mean (SD)                | 80 (8.1)    |
| Patients ≥75 y*                  | 7930 (72.4) |
| Women*                           | 5801 (53)   |
| Medical history*                 |             |
| Hypertension                     | 1933 (18)   |
| Arrhythmia                       | 245 (2.2)   |
| Coronary heart disease           | 965 (8.8)   |
| Cerebrovascular disease          | 1829 (17)   |
| Diabetes mellitus                | 726 (6.6)   |
| Malignant neoplasms              | 274 (2.5)   |
| Types of cardiovascular disease* |             |
| Ischemic heart disease           | 1597 (15)   |
| Arrhythmia                       | 813 (7.4)   |
| Cerebrovascular disease          | 5851 (54)   |
| Hemorrhagic stroke               | 1452 (13)   |
| Ischemic stroke                  | 2726 (25)   |
| Transient ischemic attack        | 1047 (9.6)  |

\*No. (%) of participants is shown. Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

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Table 3. Adjusted OR\* per Interquartile Range Increase in SPM by Exposure Period Before Emergency Call

| SPM Cardiovascular Disease |                  | Cerebrovascular Disease | Hemorrhagic Stroke | Ischemic Stroke  | TIA              |  |  |
|----------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|--|--|
| 0-6 h                      | 1.04 (1.01-1.06) | 1.04 (1.00-1.08)        | 1.05 (0.97–1.13)   | 1.04 (0.98-1.09) | 1.04 (0.95–1.13) |  |  |
| 0–12 h                     | 1.02 (0.99-1.05) | 1.03 (0.99-1.07)        | 1.05 (0.97–1.13)   | 1.02 (0.96-1.08) | 1.01 (0.92-1.11) |  |  |
| 0-24 h                     | 1.00 (0.97-1.04) | 1.01 (0.96-1.05)        | 1.03 (0.95–1.12)   | 0.99 (0.92-1.06) | 1.00 (0.90-1.10) |  |  |
| 24–48 h                    | 0.97 (0.94–1.00) | 0.96 (0.92-1.00)        | 1.03 (0.95–1.12)   | 0.92 (0.86-0.98) | 0.88 (0.79-0.98) |  |  |
| 48-72 h                    | 1.00 (0.97-1.03) | 0.99 (0.95-1.03)        | 1.08 (1.00-1.16)   | 0.95 (0.89-1.01) | 0.92 (0.83-1.01) |  |  |
| 72–96 h                    | 0.97 (0.95-1.00) | 1.00 (0.96-1.04)        | 1.05 (0.97-1.13)   | 0.97 (0.91-1.03) | 0.94 (0.85-1.03) |  |  |

OR indicates odds ratio; SPM, suspended particulate matter; and TIA, transient ischemic attack.

\*Adjusted for ambient temperature (degrees of freedom=6) and humidity (degrees of freedom=3). Interquartile range=20.6 µg/m<sup>3</sup>.

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Bale/Doneen Take Away:

- Study has weaknesses due to lack of control for various CVD risk factors. However, it does appear that during the first 6 hours of heavy air pollutant exposure (SPM) that the vulnerable patient is at risk for vascular events.
- Solution:
  - Make sure inflammatory markers are mitigated prior to exposure. Follow a disease/inflammatory paradigm.

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### Prevalence and Trends in Obesity and Severe Obesity Among Children in the United States, 1999-2012





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| Full Population<br>Characteristic No. (%) | Full Population | Overweight       |                      | Obesity  |                                   | Class 2 Ob    | esity                | Class 3 Obesity |                      |  |
|---|-----------------|------------------|----------------------|--|-----------------------------------|---------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|--|
|   | No. (%)         | % (95% CI)       | P Value <sup>a</sup> | % (95% CI)                                       | P Value <sup>a</sup>              | % (95% CI)    | P Value <sup>a</sup> | % (95% CI)      | P Value <sup>a</sup> |  |
| Total No.                                 | 26 690          | 8979             | 179                  |  | 4902                              |               |                      | 518             |                      |  |
| Total prevalence                          |                 | 31.2 (30.1-32.2) |                      | 16.4 (15.6-17.2)                                 |                                   | 5.1 (4.6-5.5) |                      | 1.5 (1.3-1.7)   |                      |  |
| Population <sup>b</sup>                   | 71 898 377      | 22 403 078       |                      | 11 781 596                                       |                                   | 3 645 60      |                      | 155 791         |                      |  |
| Age, y                                    |                 |                  |                      |  |                                   |               |                      |                 |                      |  |
| 2-5                                       | 5963 (21.1)     | 23.8 (22.2-25.4) |                      | 11.1 (9.9-12.2)                                  | <.001                             | 2.1 (1.6-2.6) |                      | 0.5 (0.2-0.7)   |                      |  |
| 6-11                                      | 7987 (33.5)     | 33.1 (31.5-34.7) | <.001                | 17.5 (16.3-18.7)                                 |                                   | 5.0 (4.5-5.6) | <.001                | 1.2 (0.9-1.4)   | <.001                |  |
| 12-19                                     | 12740 (45.4)    | 33.2 (31.8-34.5) |                      | 18.0 (16.9-19.1)                                 |                                   | 6.5 (5.7-7.3) |                      | 2.1 (1.8-2.5)   |                      |  |
| Sex                                       |                 |                  |                      |  |                                   |               |                      |                 |                      |  |
| Female                                    | 13 154 (48.8)   | 30.7 (29.4-32.0) | 24                   | 15.6 (14.6-16.6)                                 | 0.05                              | 4.8 (4.2-5.3) | 10                   | 1.4 (1.1-1.7)   | 47                   |  |
| Male                                      | 13 536 (51.2)   | 31.6 (30.3-32.9) | .24                  | 17.1 (16.2-18.1)                                 | .005                              | 5.4 (4.7-6.0) | .10                  | 1.5 (1.3-1.8)   | .47                  |  |
| Race/ethnicity                            |                 |                  |                      |  |                                   |               |                      |                 |                      |  |
| White                                     | 7317 (58.2)     | 28.7 (27.1-30.3) |                      | 14.3 (13.0-15.6)                                 |                                   | 3.9 (3.2-4.5) |                      | 1.0 (0.7-1.3)   |                      |  |
| Black                                     | 7733 (14.6)     | 35.1 (33.8-36.4) |                      | <.001 20.3 (19.3-21.4)<br>20.9 (19.8-22.0) <.001 |                                   | 8.5 (7.7-9.3) |                      | 3.3 (2.8-3.9)   |                      |  |
| Hispanic                                  | 9875 (19.9)     | 37.7 (36.5-39.0) | <.001                |  | 20.9 (19.8-22.0) <.001 6.6 (5.9-7 |               | <.001                | 1.8 (1.4-2.1)   | <.001                |  |
| Other                                     | 1765 (7.2)      | 24.6 (21.9-27.3) |                      | 12.7 (10.8-14.6)                                 |                                   | 3.6 (2.5-4.7) |                      | 0.7 (0.1-1.4)   |                      |  |

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Plaque formation is an active process and its consistency changes over time. Some technologies (X-Rays) can only see hard calcified disease while others like ultrasounds can spot soft disease.





#### Plaque Instability Frequently Occurs Days or Weeks Before Occlusive Coronary Thrombosis



Saskia Z.H. Rittersma, Allard C. van der Wal, Karel T. Koch, Jan J. Piek, José P.S. Henriques, Karla J. Mulder, Johanna P.H.M. Ploegmakers, Martin Meesterman, and Robbert J. de Winter

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## Histological spectrum of thrombus and atherosclerotic plaque tissue retrieved by intracoronary thrombectomy.

#### Fresh thrombus

Lytic thrombus







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Histological spectrum of thrombus and atherosclerotic plaque tissue retrieved by intracoronary thrombectomy. Authors Conclusion in 2005:

Results validate that the absence of complete healing of aging. Thrombus may play an important role in acute coronary thrombosis.

Also suggestive that microvascular plaque rupture/healing can occur in asymptomatic individuals.

**Bale/Doneen Solution:** 

Follow a disease/inflammatory paradigm! Monitor inflammatory markers regularly. Goal of treatment: Atherosclerosis stabilization. Remember: Define "event" globally.

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### Stress Imaging in Asymptomatic Patients Post PCI





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Olmsted County, MN, residents who underwent PCI were followed for stress nuclear or stress echo, coronary angiography, or CABG as initial procedure post PCI.

Pts whose first follow-up procedure was a stress imaging test were evaluated for symptom status at the time of the study and whether they underwent PCI or CABG within 90 days.

Peterson, T. The low yield of stress imaging in a population-based study of asymptomatic patients post PCI. Circ Cardiovasc Imaging Published online 3/31/14



### Stress Imaging in Asymptomatic Patients Post PCI

Of 1848 patients who underwent PCI during study period: 710 (38%) had stress imaging as their initial procedure after PCI. 241 (13%) were asymptomatic at time of testing. 207 (86%) of these underwent PCI for ACS or unstable angina.

Within 90 days of stress imaging, 16 of the 241 asymptomatic patients underwent angiography and two patients were revascularized.

Stratified for timing, 0/138 asymptomatic patients tested within two years of PCI underwent revascularization. 2/103 asymptomatic patients had revascularization

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<u>Aim of trial</u>: investigate whether changes in AMI treatment corresponded to a lower incidence of ischemic stroke and which risk factors predicted ischemic stroke after AMI.

Patients with AMI b/t 1998-2008 – divided population into 5 time periods.

173,233 patients with AMI,, 3571 (2.1%) developed ischemic stroke within 30 days.

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<u>Statistically significant</u>: Age (76 vs 71)

Female % (45 vs 36)

Previous stroke % (29 vs 11)

Diabetic % (25 vs 19)

Table 1.Baseline Characteristics of 173 233 PatientsWith AMI Between the Years 1998 to 2008 According to theOccurrence of Ischemic Stroke Within 30 Days

| Ischemic Stroke   | No Stroke<br>(n=169662) | Stroke<br>(n=3571) | <i>P</i> Value |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| Age (mean)  | 71.1                    | 76.1               | < 0.001        |
| Women, %  | 36.6                    | 45.0               | < 0.001        |
| BMI <mark>(mean)</mark><br>n=valid cases                  | 26.6<br>n=61 809        | 25.7<br>n=1063     | <0.001         |
| Heart rate, bpm<br>n=valid cases                          | 81.0<br>n=73504         | 85.5<br>n=1475     | <0.001         |
| Systolic BP, mm Hg<br>n=valid cases                       | 145.1<br>n=75099        | 146.6<br>n=1491    | 0.043          |
| Diastolic BP, mm Hg<br>n=valid cases                      | 82,5<br>n=73796         | 82.4<br>n=1460     | 0.919          |
| P-cholesterol, mmol/L<br>n=valid cases                    | 5.1<br>n=85684          | 4.9<br>n=1483      | <0.001         |
| P-LDL, mmol/L<br>n=valid cases                            | 3.2<br>n=76832          | 3.0<br>n=1338      | <0.001         |
| P-glucose, g/L<br>n=valid cases                           | 8.2<br>n=91 147         | 8.9<br>n=1796      | < 0.001        |
| Prior AMI, %  | 15.8                    | 17.8               | 0.001          |
| Prior stroke, %   | 10.7                    | 29.0               | < 0.001        |
| Prior ischemic stroke, %                                  | 8.2                     | 24.6               | < 0.001        |
| Prior renal failure, %                                    | 2.2                     | 2.2                | 0.993          |
| Prior dialysis, %   | 0.5                     | 0.4                | 0.404          |
| Prior COPD, %   | 8.3                     | 7.9                | 0.425          |
| Prior heart failure, %                                    | 11.9                    | 14.9               | <0.001         |
| Prior diabetes mellitus, %                                | 19.2                    | 25.2               | <0.001         |
| Prior peripheral arterial disease, %                      | 5.6                     | 8.0                | <0.001         |
| STEMI, %  | 35.4                    | 35.4               | 0.999          |
| Atrial fibrillation during<br>hospitalization, %          | 16.8                    | 31.7               | < 0.001        |
| Clinical signs of heart failure during hospitalization, % | 34.9                    | 51.9               | <0.001         |
| PCI during hospitalization, %                             | 35.6                    | 18.7               | < 0.001        |
| Fibrinolysis during hospitalization, %                    | 15.3                    | 13.6               | 0.005          |
| CABG during hospitalization, %                            | 1.9                     | 2.6                | 0.003          |

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Table 5. Predictor of Ischemic Stroke at 30 Days After AMI in a Multivariate Cox Regression Model

| Predictor Variable   | Hazard Ratio<br>(95% Cl) | P Value |
|--|--------------------------|---------|
| Age  | 1.02 (1.01-1.02)         | <0.001  |
| Female sex   | 1.17 (1.09-1.26)         | < 0.001 |
| Prior stroke   | 2.52 (2.33-2.73)         | < 0.001 |
| Diabetes mellitus  | 1.20 (1.10-1.30)         | < 0.001 |
| Atrial fibrillation  | 1.53 (1.41-1.66)         | <0.001  |
| Clinical signs of heart failure in hospital                  | 1.24 (1.15-1.34)         | <0.001  |
| ST-segment-elevation myocardial<br>infarction                | 1.38 (1.27-1.50)         | <0.001  |
| Fibrinolysis   | 0.84 (0.74-0.94)         | 0.002   |
| Percutaneous coronary intervention<br>during hospitalization | 0.69 (0.62-0.76)         | < 0.001 |
| CABG during hospitalization                                  | 1.64 (1.32-2.03)         | <0.001  |
| ASA treatment at discharge                                   | 0.65 (0.60-0.71)         | < 0.001 |
| Statin treatment at discharge                                | 0.88 (0.81-0.96)         | 0.002   |
| P2Y12 inhibitor treatment at discharge                       | 0.83 (0.75-0.91)         | < 0.001 |
| ACE inhibitor treatment at discharge                         | 1.10 (1.02-1.18)         | 0.011   |

ACE indicates angiotensin-converting enzyme; AMI, acute myocardial infarction; ASA, acetylsalicylic acid; CABG, coronary artery bypass graft; and CI, confidence interval.

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### Bale/Doneen Take Away:

- Ischemic Stroke is a manifestation of an atherosclerotic thrombotic accident.
- Treat atherosclerosis as a systemic disease.
- Monitor inflammatory markers and disease annually to know if treatment is effective.

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# **Depression and CAD**

Systematic review of literature on depression and medical outcomes after ACS – Included all-cause mortality, cardiac mortality, and composite outcomes for mortality and nonfatal events.

Total of 53 individual studies and 4 meta-analyses met inclusion criteria.

Depression and depressive symptoms are common among the estimated 15.4 million US adults with CHD.

Approximately 20% of patients hospitalized for ACS meet the DMS criteria for major depression, and an even larger percentage show subclinical levels of depressive symptoms.

Leifheit-Limson, E. Depression as a risk factor for poor prognosis among patients with acute coronary syndrome: symptomatic review and recommendations. Circulation 4.4.2014. 129:1350-1369. Copyright Bale/Doneen Paradigm

# **Depression and CAD**

Mechanisms postulated/discussed in the paper linking depression and CVD events:

neuroendocrine dysfunction

disturbances in autonomic cardiac control

enhance platelet activity

endothelial dysfunction

inflammation

Mechanisms involving high risk behaviors linking depressing and CVD events:

smoking, sedentary lifestyle, delay in seeking tx, nonadherence to prevention measures, poor self care.

Leifheit-Limson, E. Depression as a risk factor for poor prognosis among patients with acute coronary syndrome: symptomatic review and recommendations. Circulation 4.4.2014. 129:1350-0399 Paradigm



# **Depression and CAD**

Still lack evidence of cause/effect showing that treatment of depression improves survival of ACS or prevents disease however...worsening depression is associated with worse clinical outcomes.

Bale/Doneen Take Away: Proper screening for depression is essential for all patients with vascular disease. Psychosocial remains a root cause of CVD (INTERHEART TRIAL)

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# Added Sugar intake and CV Mortality





### Added Sugar intake and CV Mortality

NHANES, 1988-1994 (III), 1999-2004, and 2005-2010 [n=31,147]. For this analysis, NHANES III linked mortality cohort (1988-2006 [n=11,733], a prospective cohort of nationally representative sample of US adults.

Among US adults, the adjusted mean percentage of daily calories from added sugar increased from 15.7% (95% CI,15.0%-16.4%) in 1988-1994 to 16.8% (16.0%-17.8%; p=.02) in 1999-2004 and decreased to 14.9% (14.2%-15.5%;p=.001) in 2005-2010.

During 14.6 years – 831 CVD deaths during 163,039 person-years.

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### Added Sugar intake and CV Mortality



Adjusted HR of the Usual % of Calories From Added Sugar for CVD Mortality Among US Adults 20 Years or Older: National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey Linked Mortality Files, 1988-2006 Histogram of the distribution of usual percentage of calories from added sugar in the population.

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### Added Sugar intake and CV Mortality

| Subgroup  | No. of Participants<br>(Deaths) | Adjusted HR<br>(95% CI) |    |    |          |   |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
|---|---------------------------------|-------------------------|----|----|----------|---|----------|------------|---------|------|---|---|---|
| Age, y  |                                 |                         | 12 | ÷. |          |   |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| <60   | 8835 (144)                      | 1.67 (0.78-3.58)        |    | -  | -        |   |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| ≥60   | 2898 (687)                      | 1.83 (1.01-3.31)        |    | -  | -        | _ | -        |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| Sex   |                                 |                         |    |    |          |   |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| Male  | 5639 (434)                      | 1.34 (0.60-3.00)        |    |    |          |   |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| Female  | 6094 (397)                      | 2.95 (1.48-5.91)        |    |    | _        |   |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| Race/ethnicity  |                                 |                         |    |    |          |   |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| Non-Hispanic white  | 4802 (494)                      | 2.67 (1.48-4.80)        |    | 1  | <u> </u> | - |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| Non-Hispanic black  | 3233 (187)                      | 0.71 (0.44-1.15)        | 4  | -  |          |   |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| Mexican American  | 3217 (134)                      | 1.76 (0.49-6.39)        |    |    |          |   |          |            |         | - 50 |   |   |   |
| Education, y  |                                 |                         |    |    |          |   |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| <12   | 4318 (455)                      | 2.29 (1.49-3.50)        |    |    | _        | - |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| ≥12   | 7415 (376)                      | 1.67 (0.67-4.18)        |    | -  | -        |   |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| Healthy Eating Index  |                                 |                         |    |    |          |   |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| ≥Top 50%  | 5673 (457)                      | 2.96 (1.15-7.63)        |    | -  |          | - |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| <top 50%<="" td=""><td>6060 (374)</td><td>1.80 (1.05-3.07)</td><td></td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>_</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></top> | 6060 (374)                      | 1.80 (1.05-3.07)        |    | -  | -        | _ |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| Physical activity   |                                 |                         |    |    |          |   |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| High  | 4407 (287)                      | 2.12 (0.63-7.18)        |    |    |          |   |          |            |         |      | - |   |   |
| Low   | 7326 (544)                      | 1.54 (0.93-2.53)        |    | -  |          | _ |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| Body mass index   |                                 |                         |    |    |          |   |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
| <25   | 4697 (320)                      | 1.55 (0.56-4.34)        |    |    | -        |   |          | _          |         |      |   |   |   |
| ≥25   | 7036 (511)                      | 2.23 (1.40-3.55)        |    |    | -        | - |          |            |         |      |   |   |   |
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For the Healthy Eating Index score, the top 50% or higher included the participants with a score of 63.5 or more; high physical activity included the participants who had moderate intensity to vigorous activities 5 or more times per week. Limit lines indicate 95% CI.

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## Added Sugar intake and CV Mortality Percentage of calories from Sugar

eTable 3. Adjusted Hazard Ratio of Cardiovascular Disease Mortality According to Percentage of Calories From Added Sugar Based on First-Day 24 Hour Dietary Recall Among US Adults Aged 20 Years-NHANES Linked Mortality Files, 1988-2006

|                                |             | Mid-value of Qu    | d-value of Quintiles of Percentage of Calories from Added Sugar for US Adults |                    |                    |                    |                      |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|---|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
|                                |             | Q1                 | Q2  | Q3                 | Q4                 | Q5                 | , b                  |
| Characteristics                |             | 3.5%               | 9.3%  | 14.0%              | 20.7%              | 31.5%              | p-value <sup>*</sup> |
| CVD                            |             |                    |   |                    |                    |                    |                      |
| deaths/participants/           | 831/11,733/ |                    |   |                    |                    |                    |                      |
| total person years             | 163,039,    |                    |   |                    |                    |                    |                      |
| Range/Usual                    |             |                    |   |                    |                    |                    |                      |
| percentage (%)                 | 0%-100%     | 0- <6.6%           | 6.6- <11.5%   | 11.5- <16.6%       | 16.6- <23.6%       | ≥23.6%             |                      |
| HR adjusted for                |             |                    |   |                    |                    |                    |                      |
| age, sex and                   |             |                    |   |                    |                    |                    |                      |
| race/ethnicity only            |             | 1.06 (0.95 - 1.20) | 1.0   | 1.00 (0.92 - 1.08) | 1.09 (0.96 - 1.23) | 1.50 (1.21 - 1.87) | 0.006                |
| Fully adjusted HR <sup>c</sup> |             | 1.05 (0.92 - 1.19) | 1.0   | 1.00 (0.92 - 1.10) | 1.08 (0.93 - 1.26) | 1.43 (1.10 - 1.86) | 0.027                |

Adjusted for: age, sex, race, ethnicity, educational attainment, smoking status, alcohol consumption, physical activity level, antihypertensive meds, fmhx CVD, health eating index score, BMI, SBP, TC and total calorie intake.

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## Added Sugar intake and CV Mortality Sugar Sweetened Beverage

eTable 7. Adjusted Hazard Ratio of Cardiovascular Disease Mortality According to Categories of Sugar Sweetened Beverage Consumption Among US Adults Aged >20 Years—NHANES Linked Mortality Files, 1988-2006

|                                |            | Servings of Sugar Sweetened Beverage Consumption per week <sup>a</sup> |                    |                    |                     |
|--------------------------------|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Characteristics                |            | <1   | 1 to <3            | 3 to <7            | <u>≥</u> 7          |
| CVD deaths/participants        | 831/11,733 | 468/4,348  | 97/1,288           | 83/1,829           | 183/4,268           |
| Total person years             | 163,039    | 58,219   | 17,925             | 26,199             | <mark>60,696</mark> |
| HR adjusted for age, sex       |            |  |                    |                    |                     |
| and race/ethnicity only        |            | 1.00   | 1.01 (0.72 - 1.41) | 1.00 (0.72 - 1.35) | 1.38 (1.10 - 1.72)  |
| Fully adjusted HR <sup>b</sup> |            | 1.00   | 1.03 (0.73 - 1.44) | 1.04 (0.75 - 1.45) | 1.29 (1.04 - 1.60)  |

Adjusted for: age, sex, race, ethnicity, educational attainment, smoking status, alcohol consumption, physical activity level, antihypertensive meds, fmhx CVD, health eating index score, BMI, SBP, TC and total calorie intake.

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### HgA1C did not add predictability for CV Events

To determine whether adding HgA1C values to conventional CV risk factors is predictive of CVD risk.

Analysis of 73 prospective studies involving 294,998 participants without Known DM or CVD at baseline

Primary outcome was first-onset CVD, defined as fatal or nonfatal coronary Heart disease event or any stroke.

Mean age 58 (SD,9), 49% women, 86% lived in Europe or North America

Danesh, J. JAMA. March 26, 2014; 311(12):1225-1233.

### HgA1C did not add predictability for CV Events



Adjusted for: age, sex, smoking status, SBP and TC, HDL

Danesh, J. JAMA. March 26, 2014; 311(12):1225-1233.



### HgA1C did not add predictability for CV Events

#### **Conclusions by Authors:**

- 1. Current analysis of almost 300,000 people without known DM and CVD at baseline indicates that HgA1C is not associated with clinically meaningful improvement in assessment of CVD risk
- 2. Adding information with HgA1C was not associated with sign improvement in reclassification of participants across clinical risk categories

#### Bale/Doneen Take Away –

- 1. This study did not assess for screening for diabetes and diabetes specific microvascular complications.
- 2. We do not advocate using A1C to diagnose IR use OGTT.

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## Treatment

#### What's the difference?









Cox regression used to estimate association between fruit and vegetable consumption and all-cause, cancer and CV mortality adjusting for age, sex, social class, education, BMI, alcohol consumption and physical activity.

65, 226 age 35+ ears in 2001-2008 Health Surveys for England, annual surveys, random samples, median follow-up: 7.7 years.

Fruit and vegetable consumption was associated with decreased: (reference category 7+ portions vs < 1 portion/day)

> All-cause mortality Reduced Cancer

HR 0.67 (95% CI 0.58-0.78) HR 0.75 (95% CI 0.59-0.96)

Oyebode O., et al. J Epidemiology Community health. April 2014:0:1-7.



|                                 | Portions of fruit and vegetables consumed in the previous day HRs (95% CI) |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |  |
|---------------------------------|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|
| Model                           | 0-<1*  | 1-<3                | 3-<5                | 5-<7                | 7+                  |  |  |  |
| Cancer                          |  |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |  |
| Number of participants (deaths) | 10 607 (169)   | 28 805 (485)        | 24 968 (400)        | 13 082 (187)        | 7885 (95)           |  |  |  |
| Model 1†                        | 1  | 0.87 (0.75 to 1.02) | 0.78 (0.66 to 0.92) | 0.71 (0.58 to 0.86) | 0.70 (0.55 to 0.90) |  |  |  |
| Model 2 <sup>‡</sup>            | 1  | 0.89 (0.76 to 1.04) | 0.81 (0.69 to 0.95) | 0.75 (0.62 to 0.91) | 0.75 (0.59 to 0.96) |  |  |  |
| CVD                             |  |                     |                     |                     |                     |  |  |  |
| Number of participants (deaths) | 10 607 (189)   | 28 805 (553)        | 24 968 (449)        | 13 082 (208)        | 7885 (83)           |  |  |  |
| Model 1†                        | 1  | 0.88 (0.77 to 1.03) | 0.78 (0.66 to 0.91) | 0.74 (0.61 to 0.89) | 0.63 (0.49 to 0.80) |  |  |  |
| Model 2‡                        | 1  | 0.91 (0.78 to 1.05) | 0.82 (0.70 to 0.95) | 0.80 (0.66 to 0.96) | 0.69 (0.53 to 0.88) |  |  |  |

Table 3 Association between fruit and vegetable consumption and cancer or CVD-specific mortality

\* Reference category.

†Adjusted for age-group, sex, social class, cigarette smoking and BMI.

#Adjusted for age-group, sex, social class, cigarette smoking, BMI and additionally adjusted for physical activity, education and alcohol intake. CVD, cardiovascular disease.

#### Oyebode O., et al. J Epidemiology Community health. April 2014:0:1-7.



| Type of fruit or vegetable<br>consumed | HR per portion adjusted for<br>age, sex, social class,<br>cigarette smoking and BMI | <mark>p Value</mark> | HR per portion adjusted for age, sex, social<br>class, cigarette smoking, BMI and all other<br>fruit and vegetable variables | p Value |
|--|---|----------------------|--|---------|
| Vegetables                             | 0.84 (0.81 to 0.88)   | <0.001               | 0.85 (0.81 to 0.89)  | < 0.001 |
| Salad                                  | 0.87 (0.82 to 0.92)   | <0.001               | 0.87 (0.82 to 0.92)  | < 0.001 |
| Vegetables in composites               | 0.92 (0.82 to 1.02)   | 0.10                 | 0.92 (0.82 to 1.02)  | 0.10    |
| Pulses                                 | 0.95 (0.88 to 1.03)   | 0.20                 | 0.95 (0.88 to 1.03)  | 0.20    |
| Fresh Fruit                            | 0.96 (0.95 to 0.98)   | <0.001               | 0.96 (0.95 to 0.98)  | < 0.001 |
| Dried fruit                            | 0.91 (0.84 to 0.99)   | 0.03                 | 0.91 (0.84 to 0.99)  | 0.03    |
| Fruit in composites                    | 0.93 (0.84 to 1.03)   | 0.17                 | 0.93 (0.84 to 1.03)  | 0.17    |
| Fruit juice                            | 0.97 (0.91 to 1.04)   | 0.40                 | 0.97 (0.91 to 1.04)  | 0.40    |
| Frozen/canned fruit                    | 1.17 (1.07 to 1.28)   | 0.001                | 1.17 (1.07 to 1.28)  | 0.001   |

Table 5 Association between variety of fruit and vegetable consumed and risk of death, from all causes

#### Oyebode O., et al. J Epidemiology Community health. April 2014:0:1-7.



#### What this study adds?

- Fruit and vegetable consumption is inversely associated with all-cause, cancer and cardiovascular mortality in a nationally representative non-institutionalised population.
- Those eating seven or more portions of fruit and vegetables daily have the lowest risk of mortality from any cause.
- Consumption of vegetables, salad and fresh or dried fruit is robustly associated with decreased mortality.

Oyebode O., et al. J Epidemiology Community health. April 2014:0:1-7.







Animal studies shows metformin showing preservation of Left ventricular function.

<u>Objective:</u> evaluate the effect of metformin on preservation of LVF in non-DM presenting with STEMI.

<u>Design:</u> double-blind, placebo study with 380 pts undergoing PCI for STEMI Netherlands between 1/1/2011 -5/26/2013

Intervention: Metformin 500mg (n=119) placebo (n=189) BID x 4 months.

Endpoint: Incidence of major cardiac events (MACE). LVEF obtained by MRI is an established efficacy measure because it predicts MACE.

Lexis, C. et al. Effect of Metformin on LVEF after MI in non-DM. JAMA. 3.31, 2014.



| Outcome <sup>a</sup>              | Total<br>(n = 379) | Metformin<br>(n = 191) | Placebo<br>(n = 188) | P Value |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------|
| Primary end point, % (95% CI)     |                    |                        |                      |         |
| LVEF                              | 53.9 (52.9-55.0)   | 53.1 (51.6-54.6)       | 54.8 (53.5-56.1)     | .10     |
| Secondary end point, median (IQR) |                    |                        |                      |         |
| NT-proBNP, ng/L                   | 167 (72-390)       | 167 (65-393)           | 167 (74-375)         | .66     |
| Creatinine, µmol/L                | 79 (71-88)         | 79 (70-87)             | 79 (72-89)           | .61     |
| Glucose, mmol/L                   | 5.7 (5.2-6.2)      | 5.7 (5.2-6.3)          | 5.6 (5.2-6.2)        | .96     |
| HbA <sub>1c</sub> ,%              | 5.9 (5.7-6.1)      | 5.9 (5.6-6.1)          | 5.9 (5.7-6.1)        | .15     |

Lexis, C. et al. Effect of Metformin on LVEF after MI in non-DM. JAMA. 3.31, 2014.



Figure 2. Estimated Effect of Metformin Compared With Placebo on Left Ventricular Ejection Fraction (LVEF) According to Prespecified Subgroups

|                      | No. of Patients LVEF (95% |         | Difference in LVEF<br>5% CI), % in Percentage |                     | Favors                 | Favors  | P for       |             |
|----------------------|---------------------------|---------|---|---------------------|------------------------|---------|-------------|-------------|
| Variable             | Metformin                 | Placebo | Metformin                                     | Placebo             | Points (95% CI)        | Placebo | Metformin   | Interaction |
| Overall              | 135                       | 136     | 53.09 (51.56-54.61)                           | 54.80 (53.46-56.14) | -1.71 (-3.73 to 0.31)  | -       |             |             |
| Sex                  |                           |         |   |                     |                        |         |             |             |
| Male                 | 107                       | 106     | 52.35 (50.76-53.94)                           | 54.89 (53.37-56.41) | -2.54 (-4.73 to -0.36) | -       |             | , iii       |
| Female               | 30                        | 28      | 55.91 (51.70-60.12)                           | 54.48 (51.45-57.50) | 1.43 (-3.58 to -6.44)  | 5       | -           | .11         |
| Age, y               |                           |         |   |                     |                        |         |             |             |
| Below median (≤58.0) | 71                        | 65      | 53.81 (51.74-55.87)                           | 54.69 (52.85-56.52) | -0.88 (-3.63 to 1.88)  | -       | <del></del> | 40          |
| Above median (>58.0) | 64                        | 71      | 52.28 (49.98-54.58)                           | 54.90 (52.92-56.89) | -2.62 (-5.61 to 0.38)  | 8       | -           | .40         |
| BMI                  |                           |         |   |                     |                        |         |             |             |
| Below median (≤26.6) | 69                        | 67      | 52.21 (49.98-54.44)                           | 54.77 (52.84-56.70) | -2.56 (-5.49 to 0.37)  | -       | <u> </u>    | 40          |
| Above median (>26.6) | 66                        | 69      | 54.00 (51.89-56.11)                           | 54.83 (52.92-56.74) | -0.83 (-3.64 to 1.99)  |         |             | .40         |

Lexis, C. et al. Effect of Metformin on LVEF after MI in non-DM. JAMA. 3.31, 2014.



Bale/Doneen Take-Away:

4 months metformin 500 mg BID:

Did not have sign effect on FBS or Hg A1C Did not effect LVEF in non diabetic patients post MI

In previous meta-analysis metformin: Has not shown an impact on the prevention of new onset DM.

Metformin does not have a proven role to protect the heart in post MI, nondiabetic patients.

Lexis, C. et al. Effect of Metformin on LVEF after MI in non-DM. JAMA. 3.31, 2014.







Aspirin in patients undergoing noncardiac surgery

200 million adults worldwide undergo non-cardiac surgery annually. 10 million suffer major vascular complications (MI most common)

Surgery is associated with: inflammation, platelet activation, potential thrombosis perioperatively. Evidence that aspirin prevents perioperative VTE

Devereaux, PJ et al. PIOSE-2. Population Health Research Institute, New England Journal med. 3/31/2014



Design: Blinded 2x2 factorial RCT

Aspirin vs Placebo (200mg just before surgery, then 100mg x 30 d) Clonidine vs Placebo.

<u>Eligibility</u>: undergoing noncardiac surgery,  $\geq$  45 yrs, at risk for vascular complication.

Exclusion Criteria:

BMS <6 weeks before surgery DES <1 year before surgery Took Aspirin within 72 hours before surgery.

Primary Outcome: Death or nonfatal MI at 30 days.



| Characteristics           | Aspirin<br>(N=4998) | Placebo<br>(N=5012) |
|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Age – (mean yrs)          | 68.6                | 68.6                |
| Male (%)                  | 52.0                | 53.6                |
| Known vascular<br>disease | 32.7                | 32.6                |
| History of PCI            | 4.7                 | 4.7                 |



| Surgery                 | <b>Aspirin</b><br>(N=4998) | Placebo<br>(N=5012) |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Orthopedic              | 38.2                       | 39.2                |
| General                 | 26.8                       | 26.8                |
| Urologic or gynecologic | 16.7                       | 16.8                |
| Vascular                | 6.2                        | 5.9                 |
| Other                   | 12.1                       | 11.3                |

65% of patients received prophylactic anticoagulant



#### Poise: 1<sup>o</sup> and 2<sup>o</sup> outcome results

| Outcome  | Aspirin<br>(4998) | Placebo<br>(5012) | HR<br>(95% CI)   | Ρ    |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------|
| 1 <sup>o</sup> outcome:<br>death or nonfatal MI  | 351 (7.0)         | 355 (7.1)         | 0.99 (0.86-1.15) | 0.92 |
| 2 <sup>o</sup> outcomes:<br>death, MI, or stroke | 362 (7.2)         | 370 (7.4)         | 0.98 (0.85-1.13) | 0.80 |
| death, MI, revasc, PE,<br>DVT                    | 402 (8.0)         | 407 (8.1)         | 0.99 (0.86-1.14) | 0.90 |



#### Poise: Tertiary outcome results

| Outcome                          | Aspirin   | Placebo   | HR               | Р    |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------------|------|
|                                  | (4998)    | (5012)    | (95% CI)         |      |
| Mortality                        | 65 (1.3)  | 62 (1.2)  | 1.05 (0.74-1.49) | 0.78 |
| MI                               | 309 (6.2) | 315 (6.3) | 0.98 (0.84-1.15) | 0.85 |
| Periph arterial<br>thrombosis    | 13 (0.3)  | 15 (0.3)  | 0.87 (0.41-1.83) | 0.71 |
| PE                               | 33 (0.7)  | 31 (0.6)  | 1.07 (0.65-1.74) | 0.79 |
| DVT                              | 25 (0.5)  | 35 (0.7)  | 0.72 (0.43-1.20) | 0.20 |
| acute kidney injury,<br>dialysis | 33 (0.7)  | 19 (0.4)  | 1.75 (1.00-3.09) | 0.05 |



#### Poise: Safety outcome results

| Outcome           | Aspirin<br>(4998) | Placebo<br>(5012) | HR<br>(95% CI)   | Р    |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------|
| Major bleed       | 229 (4.6)         | 187 (3.7)         | 1.23 (1.01-1.49) | 0.04 |
| Life-threat bleed | 87 (1.7)          | 73 (1.5)          | 1.19 (0.88-1.63) | 0.26 |
| Stroke            | 16 (0.3)          | 19 (0.4)          | 0.84 (0.43-1.64) | 0.62 |

Primary and 2<sup>nd</sup> outcome results similar in both aspirin strata
Multivariable regression – life-threatening or major bleed independent predictor of periop MI

HR, 1.82; (95% CI, 1.40-2.36); P<0.001



### Poise: Conclusion and Take-Away

Bale/Doneen Take-Away:

For patients on long term ASA therapy, the most effective time to restart ASA following:

1. Non-emergency surgery is 8-10 days post procedure when bleeding risk diminished considerably.

2. If ASA introduced after surgery to treat a thrombotic event (CVA or MI), expect an absolute increase of 1.0-1.3 percentage points in the risk of life-threatening or major bleeding.

3. If ASA administered within first 2 days post surgery, risks must be weighed between high risk of death from the thrombotic event and the potential benefits of aspirin.

4. Measure Inflammatory markers prior and post surgery! No surprises , PJ et al. PIOSE-2. Population Health Research Institute, New England DevereauxJournal med. 3/31/2014



#### ACEIs Superior to ARBs in DM for Reducing CV Risk ACEIs significantly reduced the risk of: a) all-cause mortality -13% (95%CI, 0.78-0.98) -17% (95% CI, 0.70-0.99) b) CV deaths c) major CVEs -14% (95% CI, 0.77-0.95) -21% (95% CI, 0.65-0.95) d) MI -19% (95% CI, 0.71-0.93) e) HF f) Stroke N/S

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## ACEIs Superior to ARBs in DM for Reducing CV Risk

ARBs significantly reduced the risk of:

HF -30% (95% CI, 0.59-0.82)

ARBs did not significantly reduce the risk of: all cause mortality; CV death; major CVEs; MIs or Strokes

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## ACEIs Superior to ARBs in DM for Reducing CV Risk

- ARB therapy was associated with a trend to more fatal CV events compared with placebo (RR, 1.90).
- A possible biological rationale for the benefit of ACEIs, but not ARBs, on cardioprotective effects seems to be related to angiotensin-(1-7) and bradykinin antagonism.

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#### ACEI Can Enhance Production of Ang-(1-7)

Figure 2The renin-angiotensin-aldosterone system enzyme cascade depicting ACE and non-ACE pathways involved in the generation of Ang II. CAGE, chymostatinsensitive Ang II-generating enzyme; t-PA, tissue plasminogen activator; NEP 24.11, neutral endopeptidase Angiotensinogen Renin t-PA Cathepsin G Kinins Angiotensin I tonin Ang-(1-7) Chymase ACE ACEI CAGE 🔸 Angiotensin II ACE Inactive fragments AT<sub>1</sub>-receptor AT<sub>2</sub>-receptor

Weinberg, M. S., et. al. (2000). J Renin Angiotensin Aldosterone Syst, 1(3), 217-233.









# Ang 1-7 Enhance Insulin Sensitivity

- Muscle accounts for 70% to 80% of insulinstimulated whole-body glucose disposal during insulin infusion.
- 40% of insulin's metabolic action in muscle is dependent upon its delivery to the connective tissue of the muscle.
- This is regulated by the skeletal muscle microvasculature.

Fu, Z., et. al. (2014). Angiotensin-(1–7) Recruits Muscle Microvasculature and Enhances Insulin's Metabolic Action via Mas Receptor. *Hypertension*. doi: 10.1161/hypertensionaha.113.03025 Copyright Bale/Doneen Paradigm

# Ang 1-7 Enhance Insulin Sensitivity

- Insulin regulates its own delivery in muscle by increasing muscle microvascular blood volume (MBV) and stimulating its own transendothelial transport.
- RAS also effects the skeletal muscle MBV.
- Ang-(1–7) induces arterial relaxation and increases skeletal muscle MBV up to 80%. (from this elaborate rat study)

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# Ang 1-7 Enhance Insulin Sensitivity

- This increase in MBV can enhance insulinmediated whole-body glucose disposal ~ 30%.
- This effect of Ang-(1-7) may contribute to the CV protective response seen with ACEI and help explain their insulin-sensitizing action.

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## ACEIs Superior to ARBs in DM for Reducing CV Risk

#### ACEIs should be considered as first-line therapy to limit excess mortality and morbidity in diabetics.

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# Ramipril and PAD





# **Ramipril and PAD**

Previously reported that Ramipril induced a 123% increase in maximum walking time when administered for 24 weeks in patients with intermittent claudication (Ahimastos, 2013).

This study (2014) asks why??

Ahimastos and colleagues explore the effects of Ramipril on circulating biomarkers of angiogenesis/arteriogeneis, thrombosis, inflammation, and leukocyte adhesion in these patients.

Ahimastos, A et al. Vascular mechanisms of Ramipril. Circ Research. 2014;114:1144-1155.


# **Ramipril and PAD**

It has been suggested that ACE inhibitors may modify inflammation and thrombosis – both of which are critical in the complications of atherosclerosis and in the decline of worsening PAD.

Original Study involved 3 centers – this trial only utilized a single site (165 participants).

<u>Inclusion Criteria</u>: ABI < 0.9 at rest in at least 1 leg, history of intermittent claudication, stable meds for  $\geq$  6 months.

<u>Exclusion Criteria</u>: resting BP  $\geq$  160/100, use of ACE/ARB in last 6 months, use of K+ diuretics in last 6 months, renal issues, condition other than PAD that limits walking.

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### Ramipril increases lower limb profusion



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### Ramipril reduces vascular inflammation



## Ramipril improves PAD by:

#### Increasing lower limb perfusion:

1. angiogenesis/arteriogenesis through the renin-angiotensin system and bradykinin system.

- 2. Reduction in thrombosis via NO mechanisms mediated by the preservation of bradykinin
- 2. Vasodilation through reduction in angiotensin II.

#### **Reducing vascular inflammation:**

A reduction in angiotensin II levels results in: reduced expression of adhesion molecules reduced chemokines & cytokines, leukocyte margination (rolling and adhesion) transmigration through vascular wall.

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### Ramipril improves PAD by:

Conclusion: Ramipril was associated with an increase in markers of angiogenesis/arteriogenesis and a reduction in the markers of thrombosis, inflammation and leukocyte adhesion – suggests multiple contribution for patients with PAD.

Bale/Doneen Take Away:

Ramipril has pleotropic effects that go beyond BP – protection of the arterial system.

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# **Upcoming lectures**

- 4/17: Washington State District Dental Meeting
- 4/24: Tri Cities Oral/Systemic meeting
- 4/25: Seattle Washington State Dental Hygeine
- 4/26: Dr. Duane Keller Las Vegas
- More to come.... ③



# Sent 4/9/14 at 4:40 pm PST

Dear Amy

I'm asking tonight about a case of a 70 yo female (Boston qualifier) marathon runner whose cholesterol was 193, LDL 95 and HDL 85 in 2002. 2003 her liposcience profile was all in the optimum boxes. It was still optimum 2005 with LDL particle number of 760. In 2010 lipids are not available, but apolipoprotein A1 was 193, Apo B 68, B/A1 0.35 and Cardio CRP 0.7. Then her lipids began to creep up. LDL particles were 1340 in 2012 with direct LDL of 87 (HDL labs). In the late summer 2013 she both retired and developed a stress fracture in her foot. She stopped running for 3 months. Her lipids rose to TC 222, HDL 94, TG 58, LDL 116 and non-HDL of 128. HS-CRP was 1.6. She agreed to pravastatin 20 mg daily and with a return to running this spring her lipids were down to TC of 195, HDL 101, TG 70, LDL 80 with non-HDL of 94. HS-CRP dropped to 0.8.



She's been healthy, and hasn't taken any medications other than HRT Jintel 1mg -5mcg (since menopause I believe from her gynecologist). Her father had diabetes, hypertension and either heart disease or a stroke but lived to 86. Her mother was doing well in her middle 80s last time I asked. None of her siblings had vascular disease last I asked. Her exam is normal and BMI is 20.5.

When she had the stress fracture last summer the x ray also showed vascular calcifications. This prompted a calcium score which was very high at 1133, about 92nd percentile. A stress echo was negative and showed good conditioning. She has not repeated the CIMT. She has also become aware of adverse heart effects of excessive exercising, and has decided to not focus on marathons. She decided to drop her running from 45 miles a week to 30 miles a week. She also agreed to continue pravaststin 20 mg indefinitely.

With her long history of "good" lipid values, exercise and conditioning and lack of strong FH for vascular disease we were floored with the cardiac calcium score. Is there an explaination? What lipid values should we target? Should she stop the HRT?

Thanks, Stan

