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Opportunities and challenges in translating cardioprotection to the clinic

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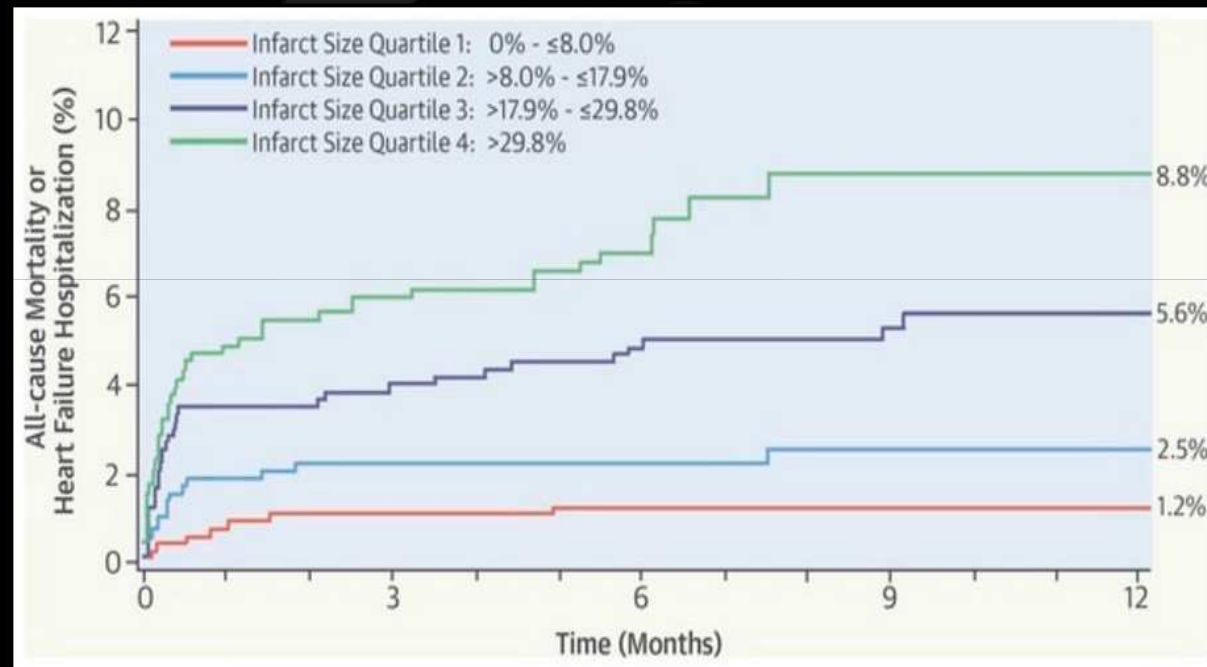
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Why cardioprotection?

Stone et al *J Am Coll Cardiol* 2016

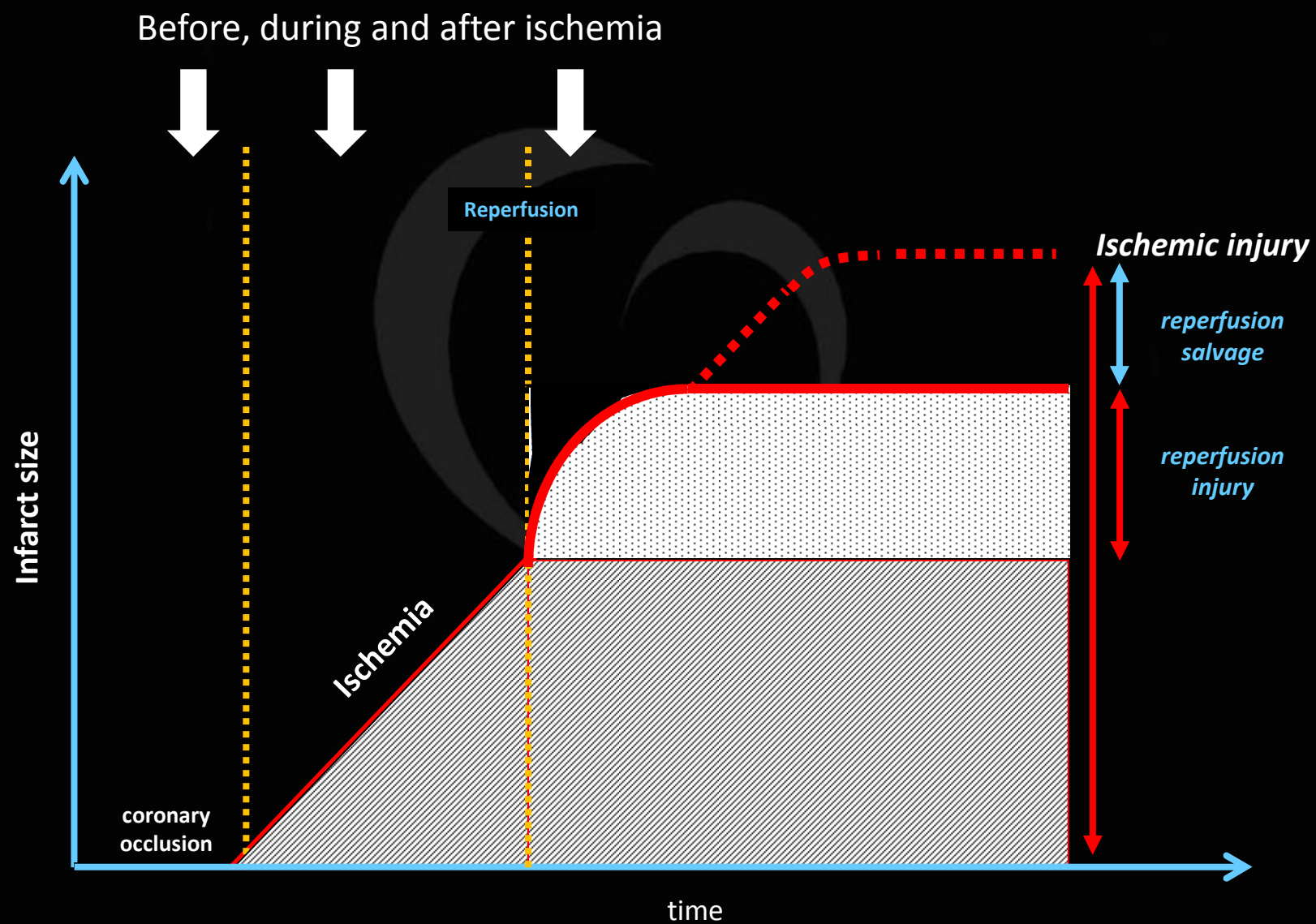
Infarct size and prognosis in primary PCI



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OPPORTUNITIES

Treatment opportunities



Adjunct cardioprotective interventions in STEMI patients

Mechanical cardioprotection (ischemic conditioning)

Ischemic post-conditioning

Remote ischemic conditioning

Pharmacological cardioprotection

Mitochondrial -targeted

β -blockers

ANP

Exenatide

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- Adenosine

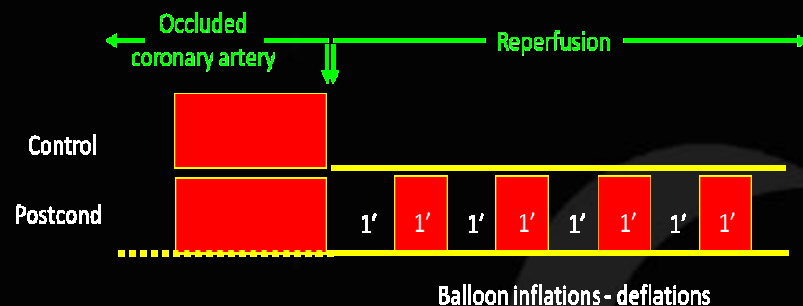
- Antiplatelet agents

- ANP

- Exenatide

Ischemic Post-Conditioning: experimental data

Zhao et al, *Am J Physiol* 2003

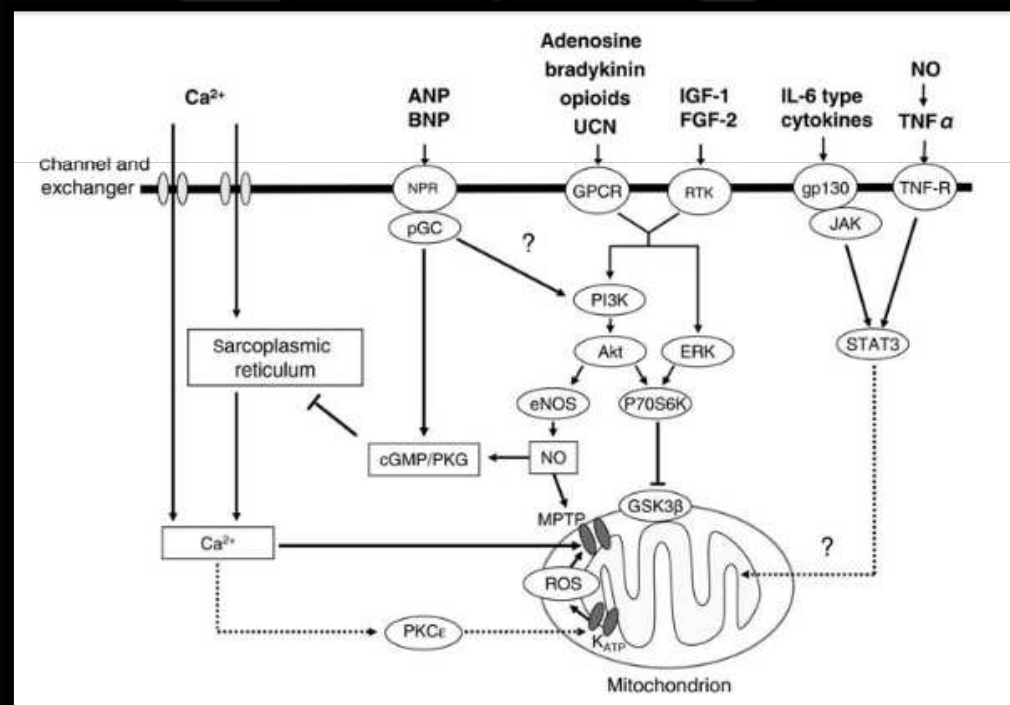


Experimentally has robustly shown to
limit infarct size

Vilahur et al *Eur Heart J* 2012

Heusch et al *Circ Res* 2011

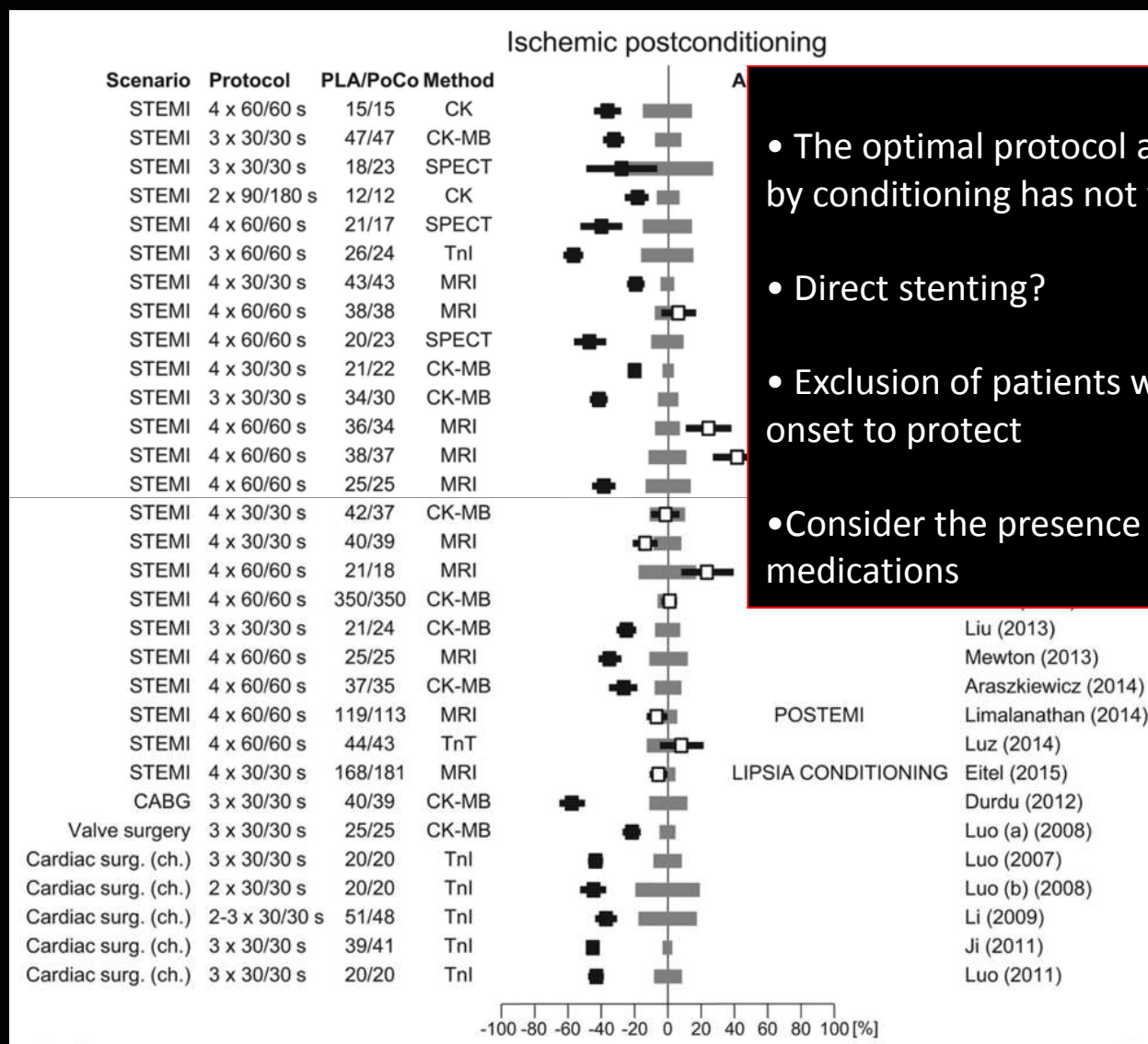
Bodi et al *Int J Cardiol* 2014



Ovize et al *Cardiovasc Res* 2010

Hausenloy D. *Thrombosis Haemost* 2009

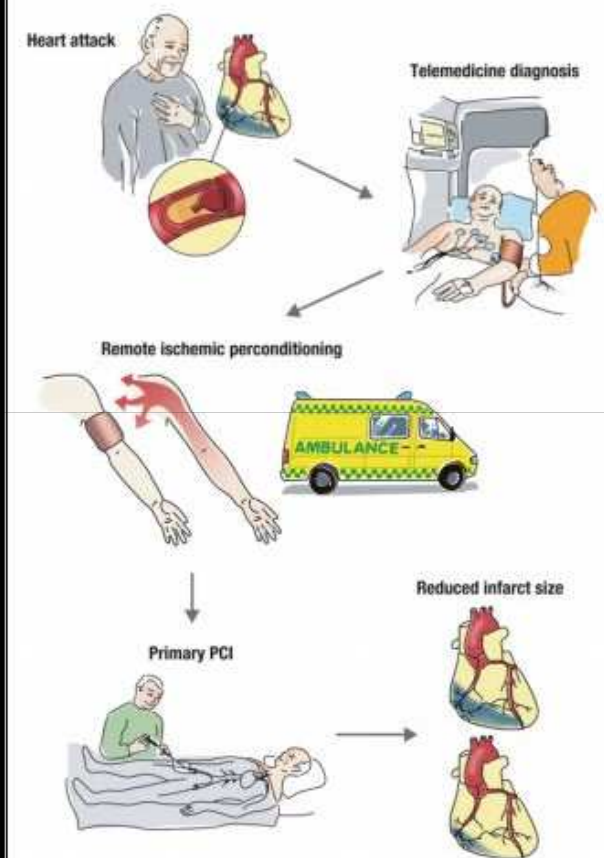
Ischemic Post-Conditioning: in the clinical arena



- The optimal protocol algorithm for cardioprotection by conditioning has not yet been defined
- Direct stenting?
- Exclusion of patients with >6 hours of symptom onset to protect
- Consider the presence of co-morbidities or co-medications

Remote ischemic post-conditioning: basic concepts

Remote Ischemic Perconditioning



Rahbek et al J Cardiovasc Pharmacol Therap 2017

Circulating humoral factors

Adenosine
NO
miRNA
NO

Hormones
Neuropeptides
Cytokines/chemokines
RNAs

Activation of efferent neural pathways

Brainstem is involved?
Which levels of the spinal cord are mandatory?

RECEPTOR ACTIVATION

G-protein coupled receptors

SIGNALING

RISK, SAFE pathways

MITOCHONDRIA

(mPTP)

CARDIOPROTECTION

Remote ischemic post-conditioning: Clinical arena

Remote ischemic conditioning					
Scenario	Protocol	PLA/RIC	Method	Acronym	Authors
STEMI	per 4 x 5/5 min A	69/73	SPECT	CONDI	Bøtker (2010)
STEMI	per 4 x 5/5 min A	110/108	SPECT		Munk et al. (2010)
STEMI	per 4 x 5/5 min A	30/33	Tnl		Rentoukas (2010)
STEMI	post 3 x 5/5 min L	48/48	CK-MB	RIPOST-MI	Crimi (2013)
STEMI	per 3 x 5/5 min A	17/18	CK-MB		Prunier (2014)
STEMI	per 3 x 5/5 min A [#]	160/158	MRI	LIPSIA CONDITIONING	Eitel (2015)
STEMI	per 4 x 5/5 min A	43/40	MRI	ERIC-LYSIS	White (2015)
STEMI	per 4 x 5/5 min A	258/261	CK-MB		Yellon (2015)

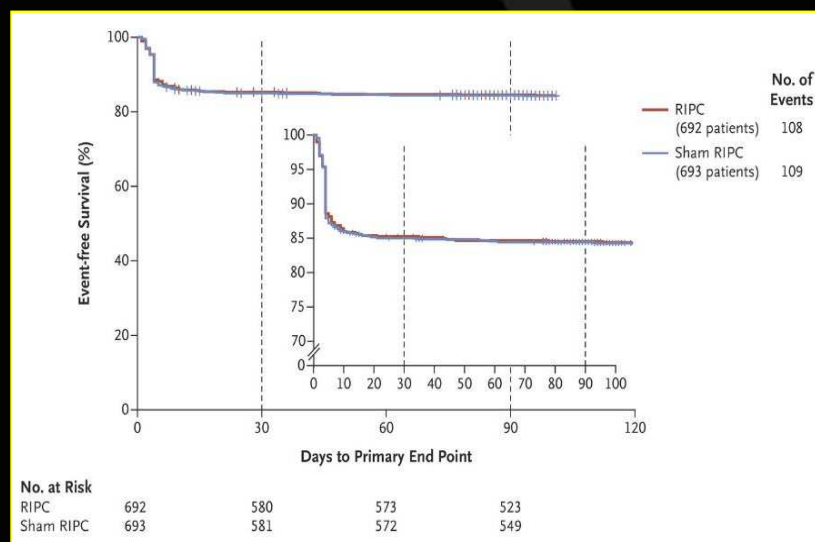
ABROGATES RIPC
CARDIOPROTECTIVE
EFFECTS



**PROPOFOL
anaesthesia**

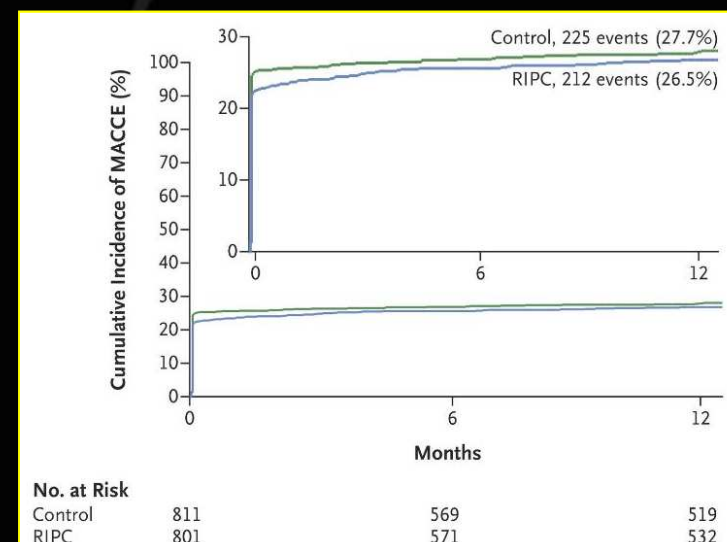
But in cardiac surgery..

Phase III trial



Meybohm et al N Eng J Med 2015

Phase III trial

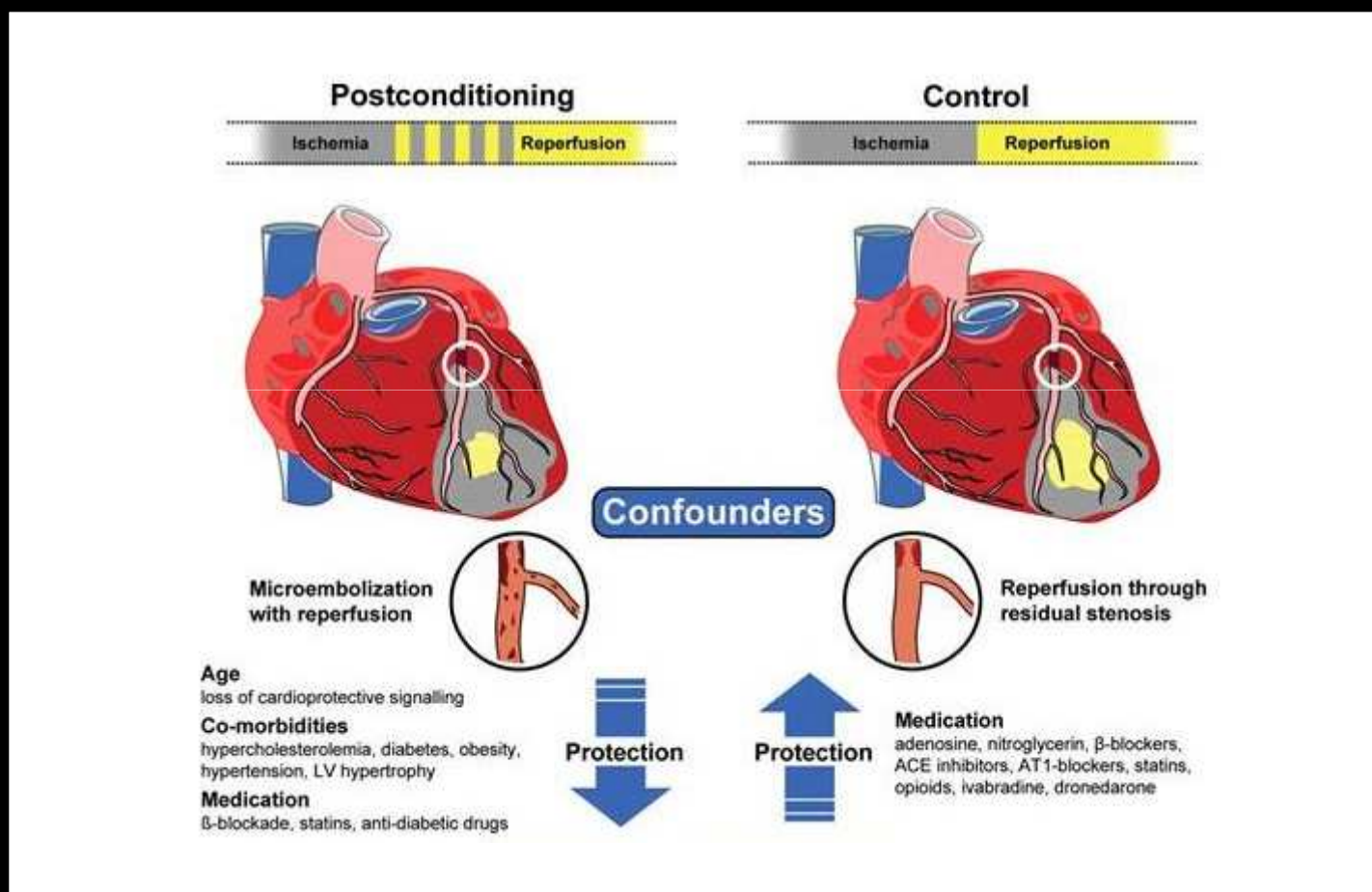


Hausenloy et al N Eng J Med 2015

Co-morbidities / Co-medications

STEMI patients are under medication known to exert cardioprotection

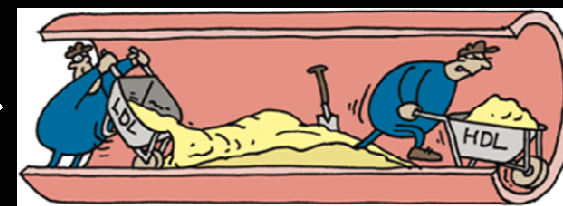
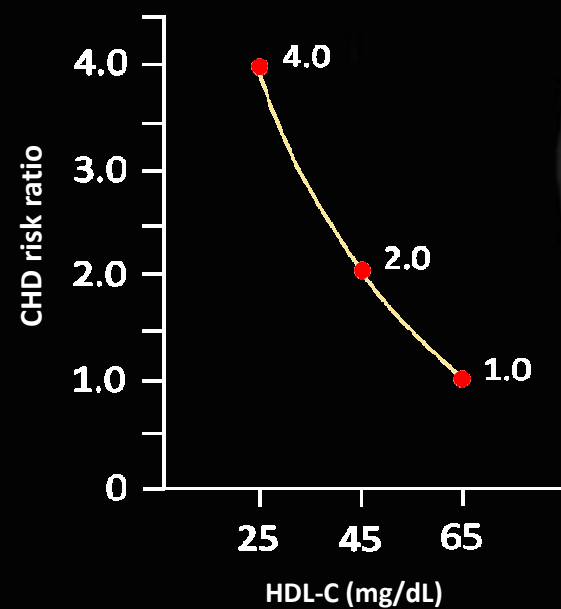
STEMI is linked to CV risk factors and co-morbidities which reduces IPost-C cardioprotection



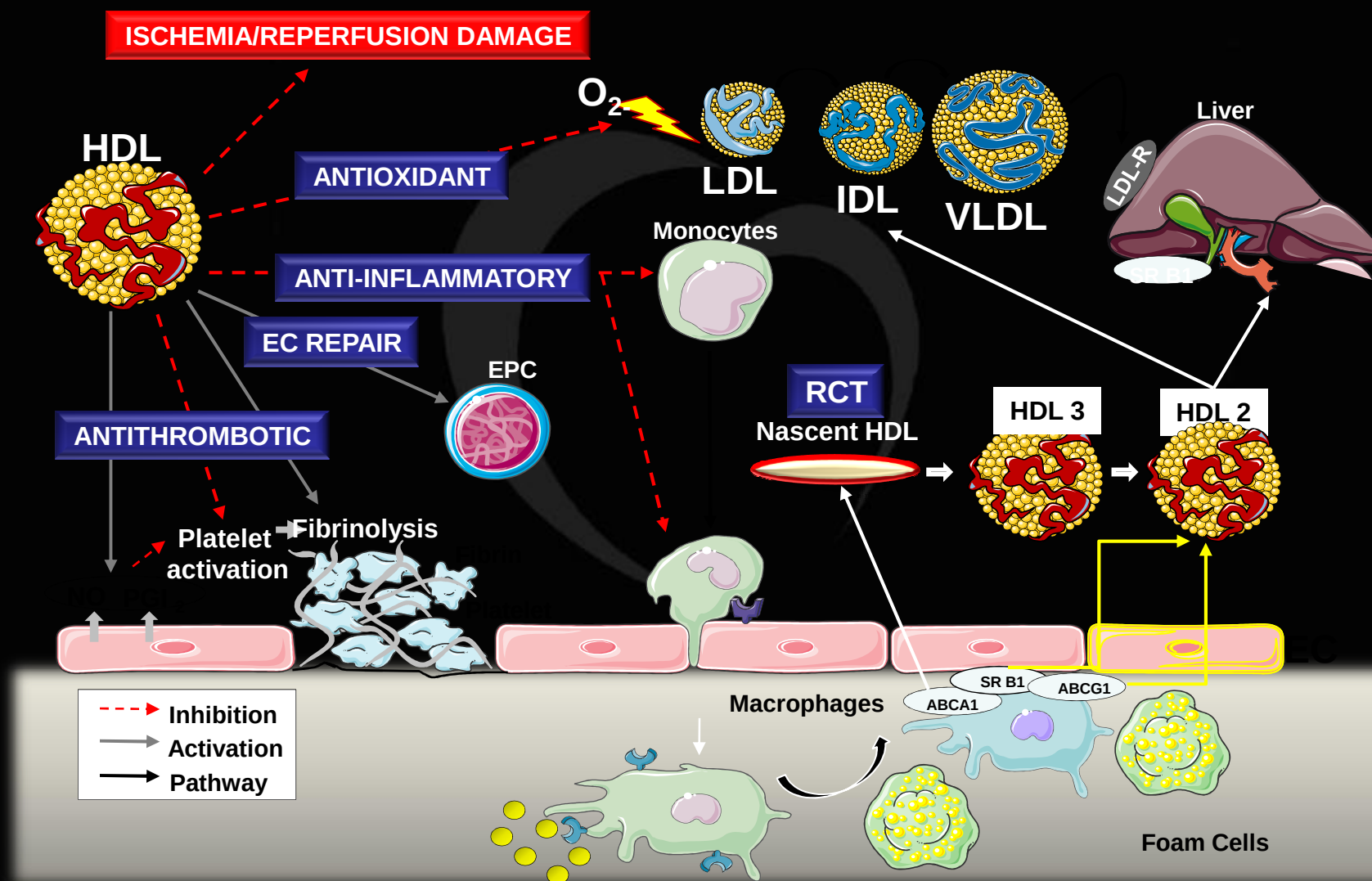
Ferdinandy et al. *Pharmacol Rev* 2014

Heusch et al. *Eur Heart J* 2012

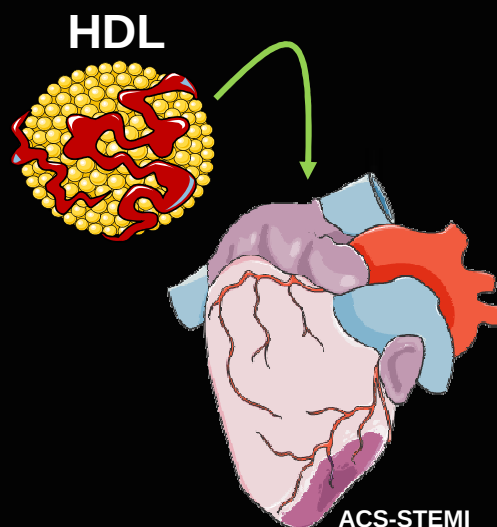
HDL and cardioprotection: impact of CV risk factors



Cardio-vascular protective effects of HDL



HDL and cardioprotection: HDL reduce infarct size

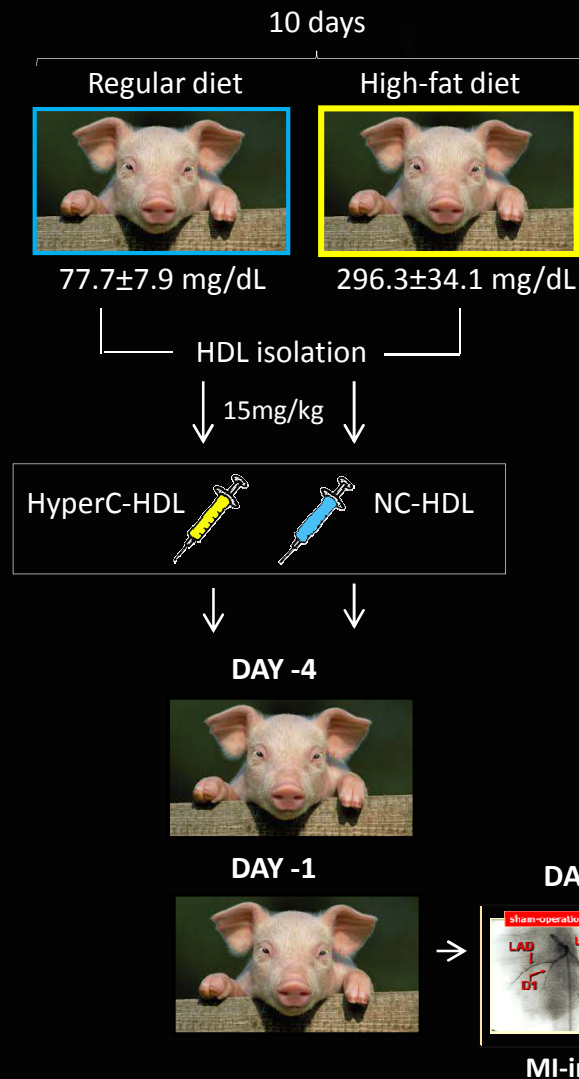


Ability of HDL to protect the heart in the setting of ischemia/reperfusion is altered by CV risk factors (hypercholesterolemia)?

Theilmeyer et al *Circulation* 2006

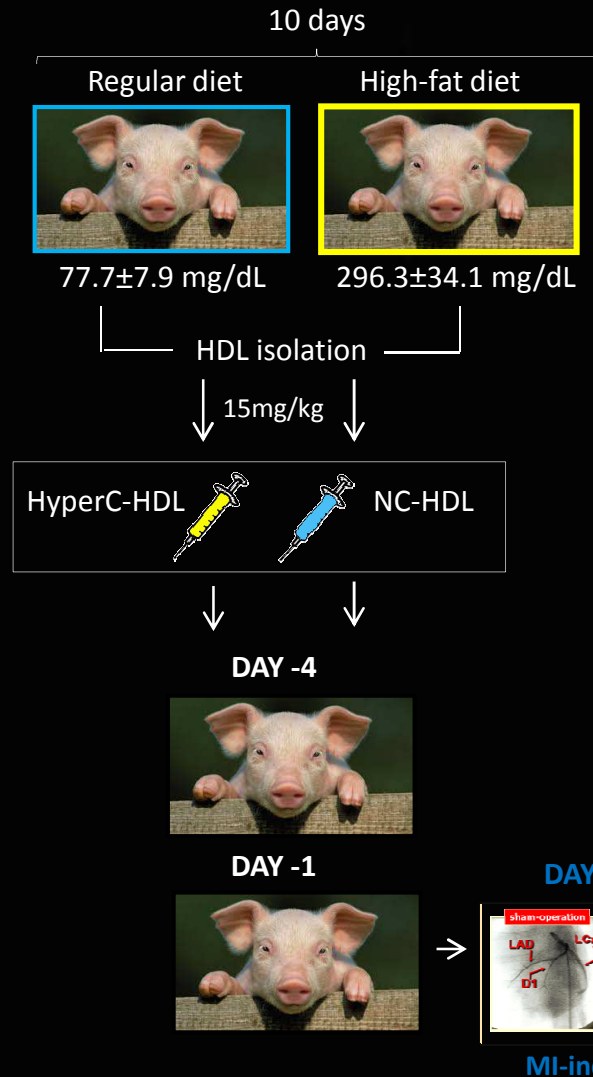
Vilahur et al *J Am Col Cardiol* 2015

HDL ability to protect against Ischemia/reperfusion is found to be impaired under dislipidemic conditions



3T-CMR (Day 3 post-MI)	Vehicle	NC _{HDL}
FUNCTIONAL PARAMETERS		
Left ventricular ejection fraction	43.7±2.2	48.0±2.7
Left ventricular end diastolic volume	100.1±5.5	85.4±1.2*
Left ventricular end systolic volume	56.8±4.6	44.3±2.3*
ANATOMICAL PARAMETERS		
Area-at-risk (g left ventricle)	21.3±1.4	18.1±1.2
Mass left ventricle (g)	73.2±2.9	74.7±2.7
Infarct size (% of left ventricle)	23.3±1.8	13.8±1.3*
Infarct mass (g LV)	17.4±1.2	10.3±1.1*
Myocardial salvage	3.9±0.5	7.8±0.9*
Myocardial salvage index	0.18±0.02	0.43±0.04*
Hemorrhage (g LV)	2.0±0.3	2.0±0.4
No-reflow (g LV)	2.5±0.2	1.9±0.1*

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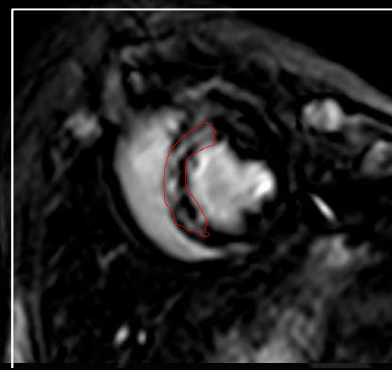
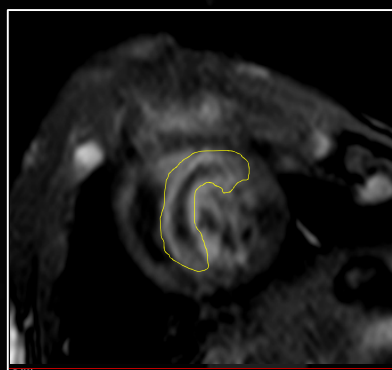
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Vehicle

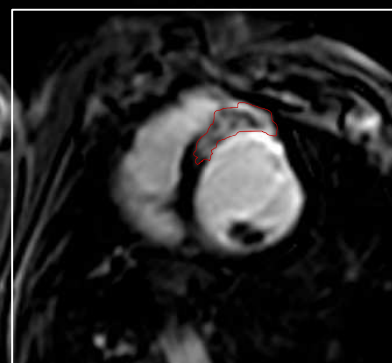
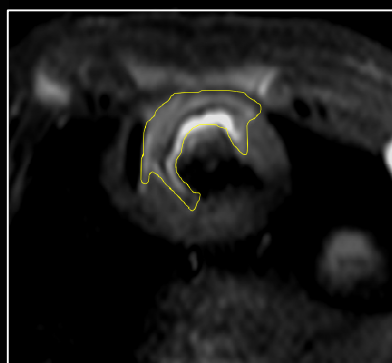
T2-STIR (Edema)

LGE (Infarct)

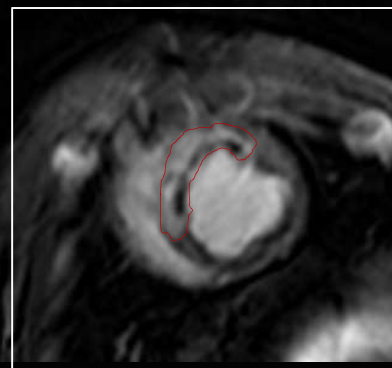
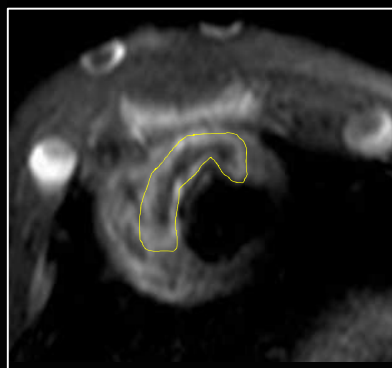
CMR (merge)



NC_{HDL}



HyperC_{HDL}



Raising HDL cholesterol in secondary prevention does not prevent CVD

In 2^a prevention higher HDL-cholesterol levels do not reduce CV events rate beyond statins

Keene D et al *BMJ* 2014

Compared to healthy subjects, HDL from patients with manifest CVD ...

- ↓ Cholesterol efflux capacity
- ↓ Anti-oxidant properties
- ↓ Anti-inflammatory effects

Rohatgi. New Eng J Med 2014

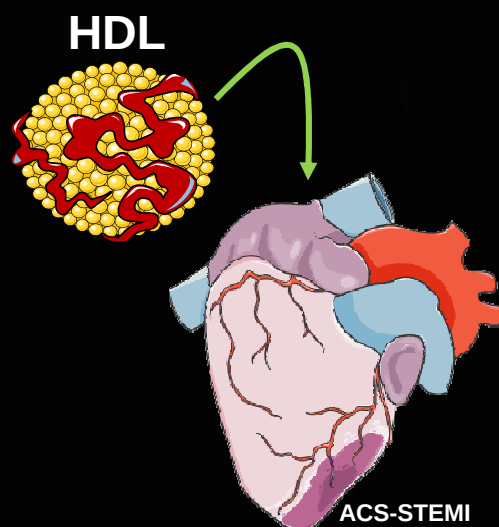
Sigruener et al (LURIC) PLOS one 2014

Riwanto et al J Lip Res 2013

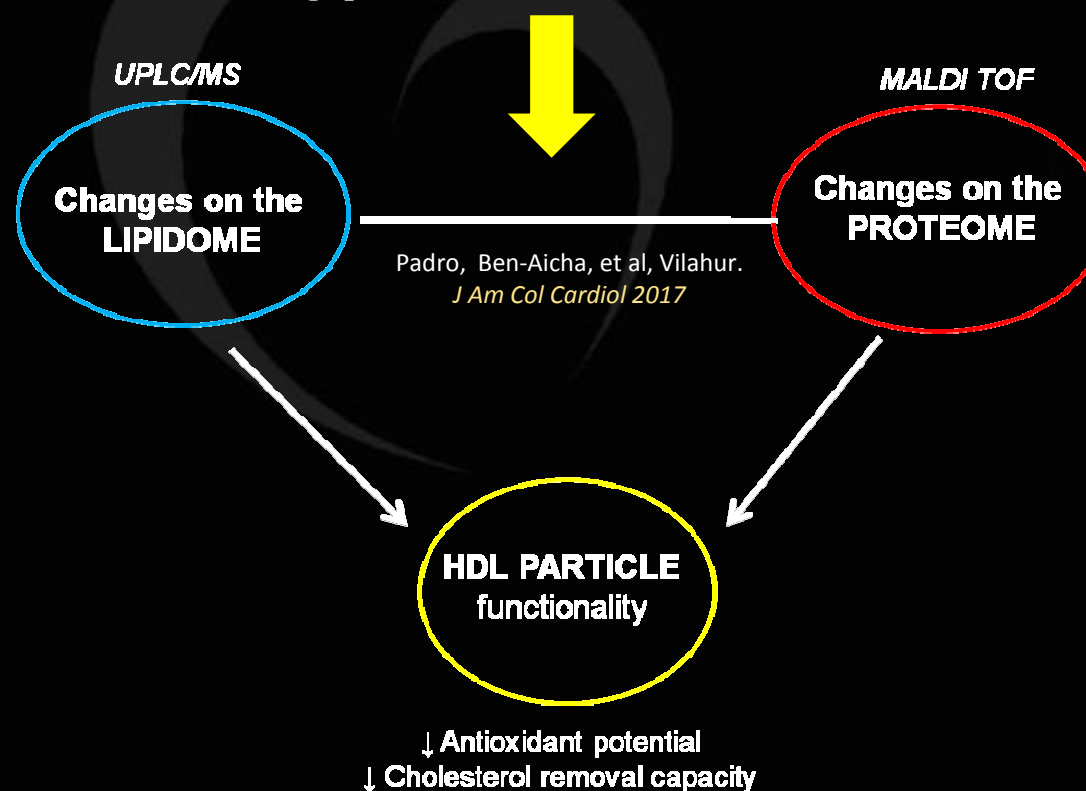
Besler C et al . J Clin Inv 2011

Kontush A & Chapman MJ. Pharmacology Rev 2006

HDL and cardioprotection



HDL lose their ability to protect the heart in the setting of ischemia/reperfusion in hypercholesterolemia



Chances for cardioprotection in STEMI patients...

Ischemic conditioning

Post-conditioning

Remote ischemic post-conditioning

Pharmacological conditioning →

Cyclosporine

Beta-blockers

Statins

Adenosine

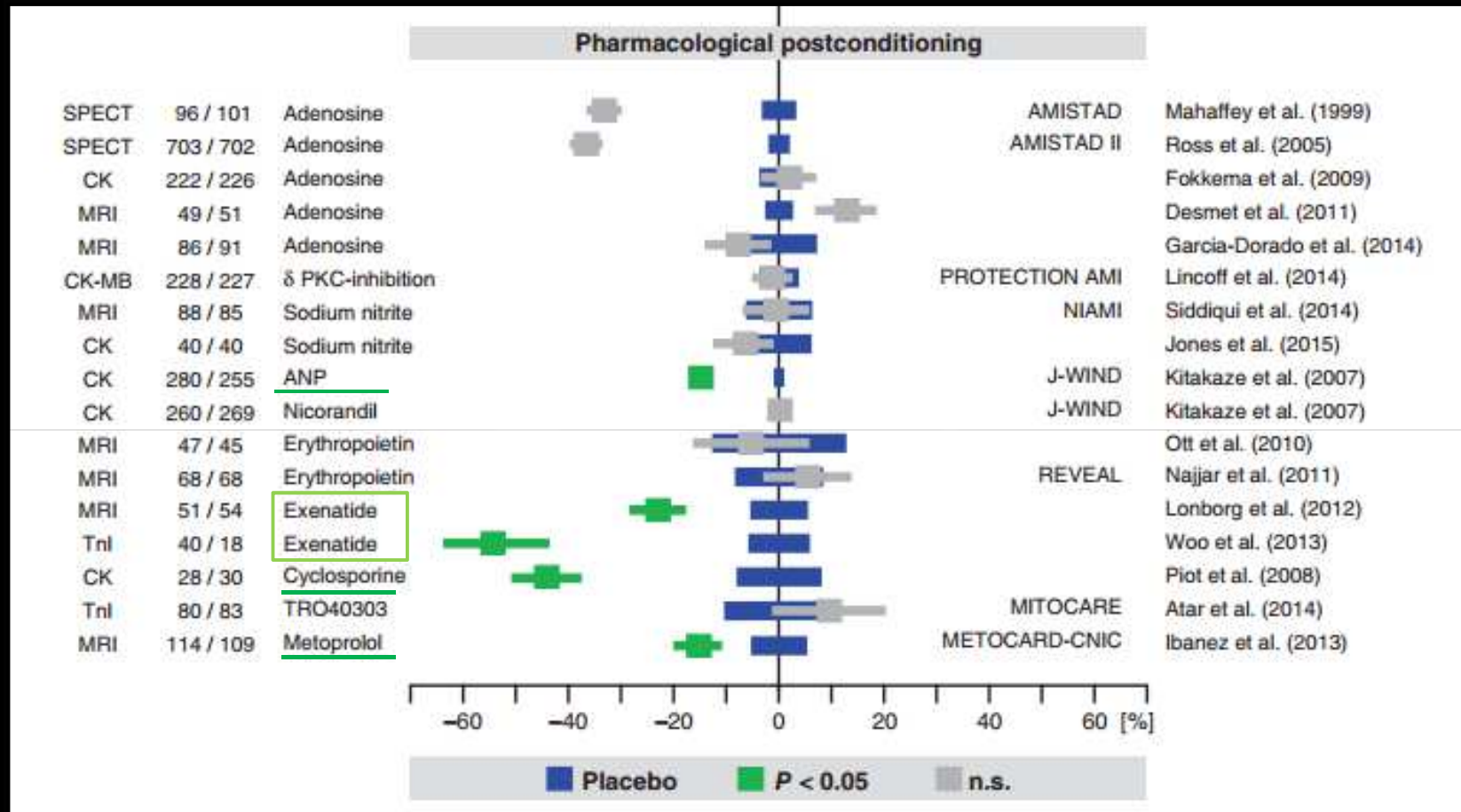
Antiplatelet agents

Etc..

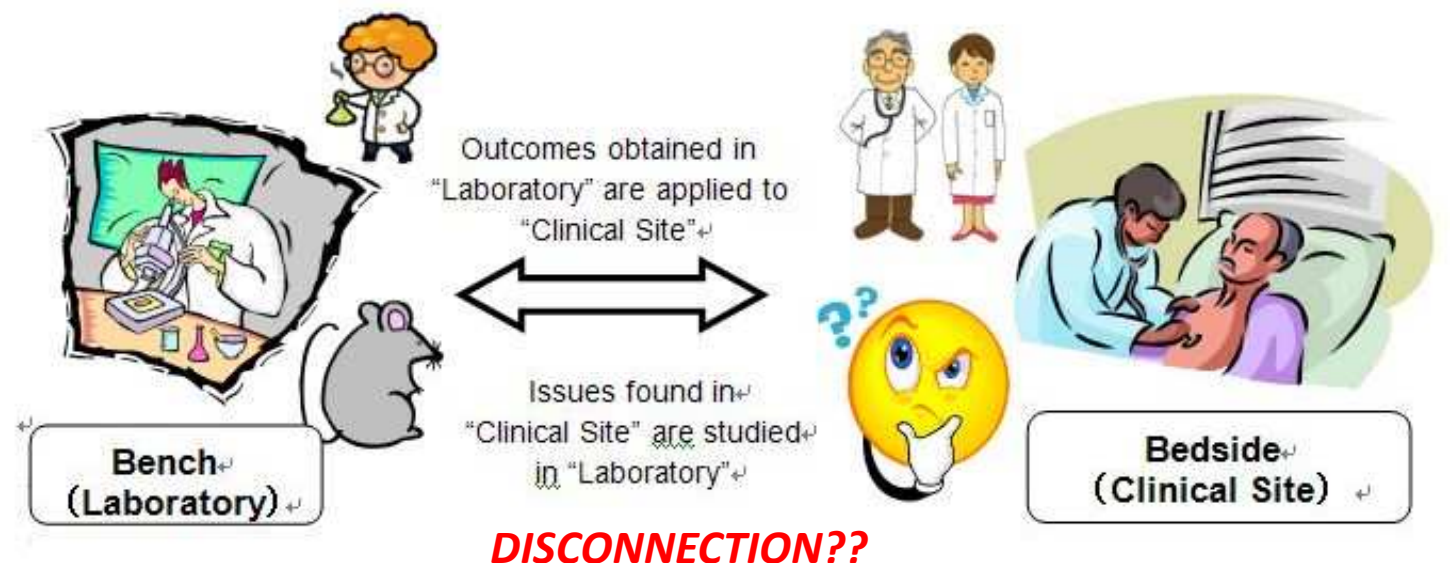
Multiple drugs have shown to reduce infarct size in experimental animal models

PHASE-II trials: not all have been beneficial

Gerd Heusch *Comp Physiol* 2015



In the bench,
cardioprotective therapies
are effective



**NONE HAS
DEMONSTRATED
CLINICAL BENEFIT IN
PHASE III TRIALS**

At the bedside,
not all have demonstrated
to be beneficial

The prevailing notion on the translation of cardioprotective strategies to clinical practice is disappointment.¹⁻⁷ In fact, there is (yet) no single randomized clinical trial which has unequivocally demonstrated a better clinical outcome for patients experiencing an acute myocardial infarction or undergoing cardiovascular surgery when receiving an adjunct cardioprotective agent/intervention before or at reperfusion

Gerd Heusch *Circulation Research* 2017

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CHALLENGES

Barriers / challenges to translating experimentally successful interventions into clinical therapies

Preclinical Level:

1.- The **MECHANISMS** of I/R injury and protection need to be **FULLY UNRAVELLED**

2.- Lack of **ROBUST PRECLINICAL DATA**



Kimmelman and Federico, Nature 2017

3.- Use of **HEALTHY** and **YOUNG** animal models that do not approximate the clinical setting

4.- Failure to disseminate **NEGATIVE RESULTS**

Barriers / challenges to translating experimentally successful interventions into clinical therapies

Clinical Level:

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Metoprolol in cardioprotection

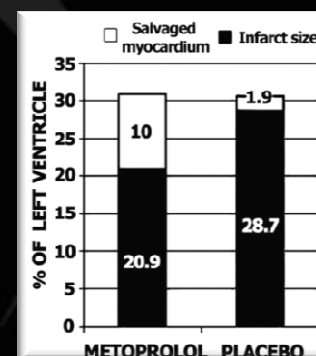
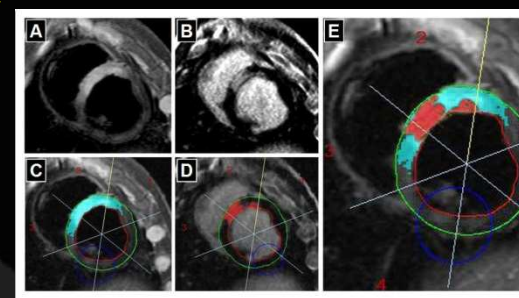
2007

Circulation
JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION



Early Metoprolol Administration Before Coronary Reperfusion Results in Increased Myocardial Salvage: Analysis of Ischemic Myocardium at Risk Using Cardiac Magnetic Resonance

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Cardiac Function (MRI)

Placebo Metoprolol

LVEF: 35% vs 35% LVEF: 37% vs 43%

2011



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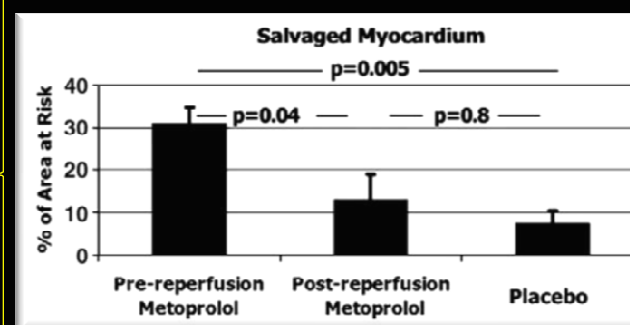
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The cardioprotection granted by metoprolol is restricted to its administration prior to coronary reperfusion

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Metoprolol & cardioprotection in the clinical setting

2013



B. Ibáñez et al V.Fuster. Circulation 2013
G. Pizarro et al B. Ibáñez. J Am Col Cardiol 2014

Dose: 15mgg
Timing: <6h

Metoprolol i.v
pre-reperfusion

Anterior infarcts
(21% IS)

No β -blockers

1st STEMI



Dose: 10mg
Timing: <12

Control

All infarcts
(15.3% IS)

On β -blockers 19%

PPCI

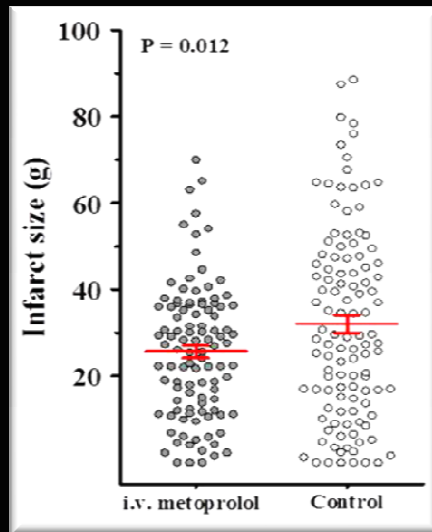
2016



Roolvink V et al. J Am Col Cardiol 2016

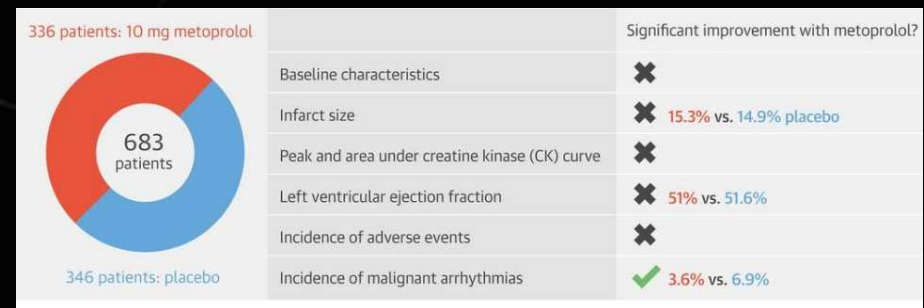
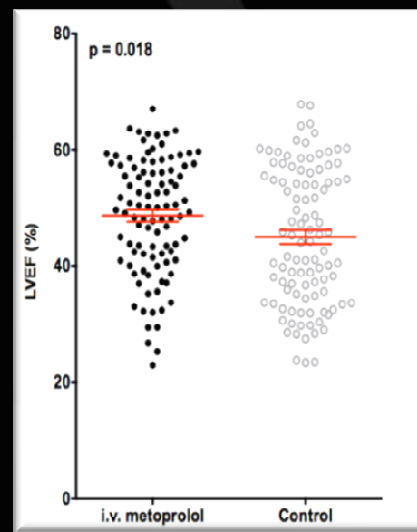
7 days after STEMI

Reduced infarct size



6 months after STEMI

Improved LVEF



Barriers / challenges to translating experimentally successful interventions into clinical therapies

Clinical Level:

- 1.- Lack of **PHASE-II** clinical trials (dosing and timing)
- 2.- Lack of **SOLID CONSISTENT** experimental evidence

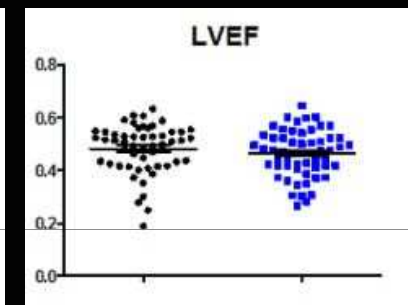
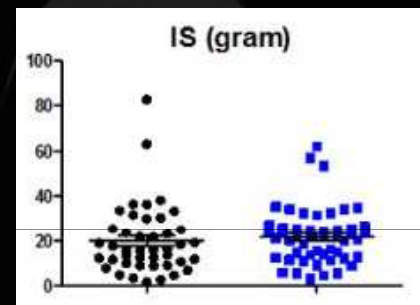
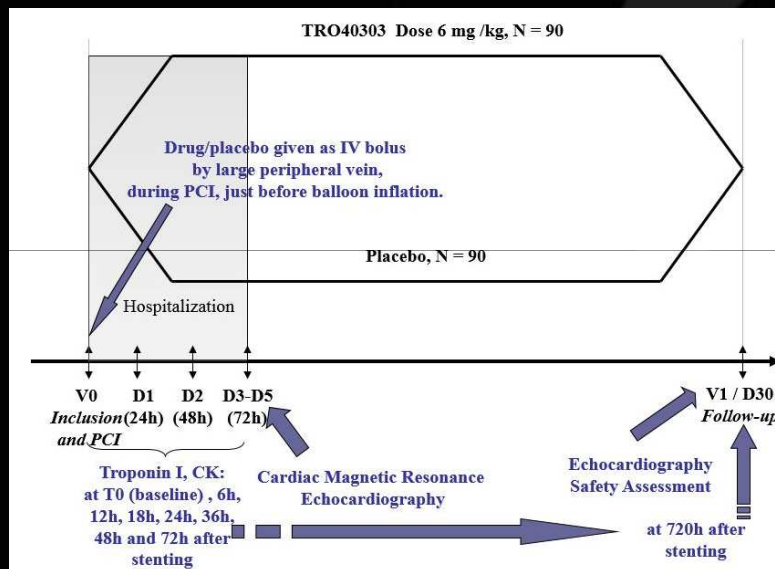
MITOCARE: TRO40304



TRO40304 inhibits the opening of the mitochondrial permeability transition pore

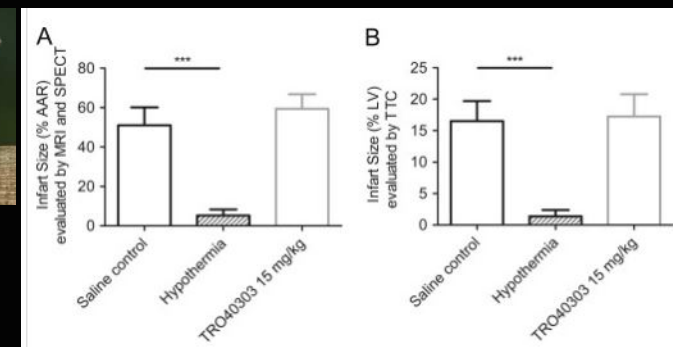
➔ RATIONALE: TRO40304 has been shown to reduce infarct size by 50% in **rat** and **mouse** models and to improve LVEF at 24h and 1month in these models

NO EFFECT



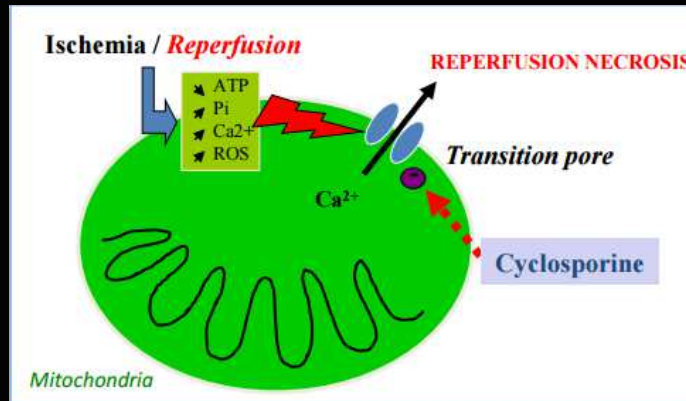
Dan Antar et al *Eur Heart J* 2013

NO EFFECT



Hansson et al *Eur J Pharmacol* 2015

CIRCUS: CICLOSPORINE

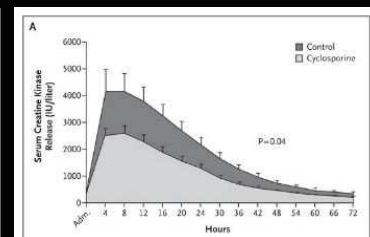
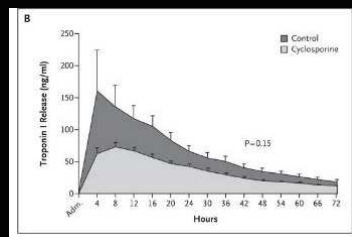


**CONSISTENT
DATA ON**



Argaud et al *J Mol Cell Cardiol* 2005

Lim et al *Cardiovasc Res* 2007



Piot et al *N Eng J Med* 2008

N=58 STEMI patients

BJP British Journal of Pharmacology

REVIEW

Cyclosporin variably and inconsistently reduces infarct size in experimental models of reperfused myocardial infarction: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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**INCONSISTENT
DATA ON**



Sheu et al *Int J Cardiol* 2011

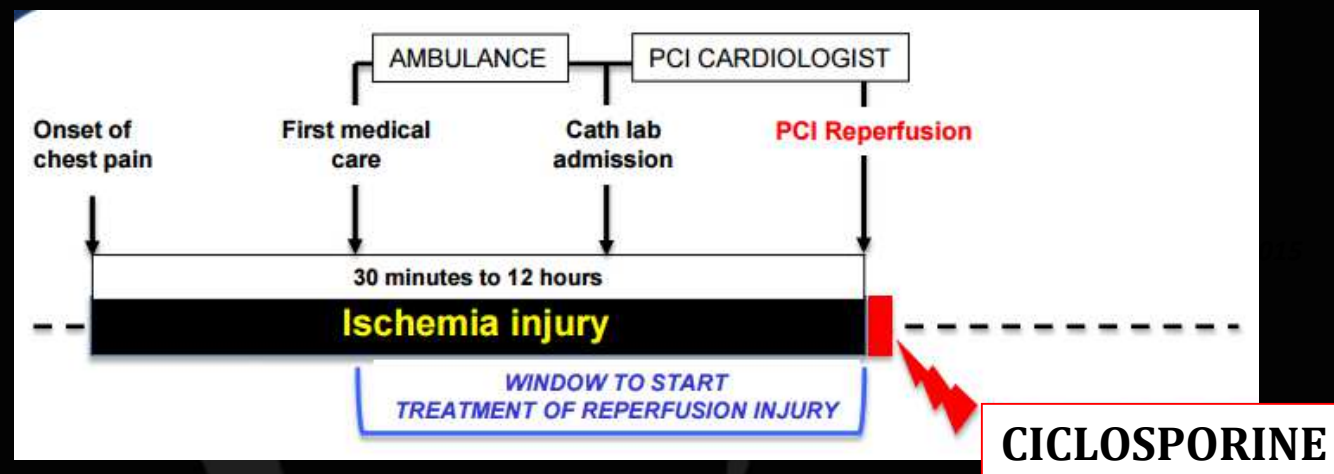
De Paulis et al *Basic Res Cardiol* 2013

Karlsson et al *J Cardiovasc Pharmacol Ther* 2010

The only PHASE III clinical trial so far in cardioprotection...



FAILED



POTENTIAL EXPLANATIONS:

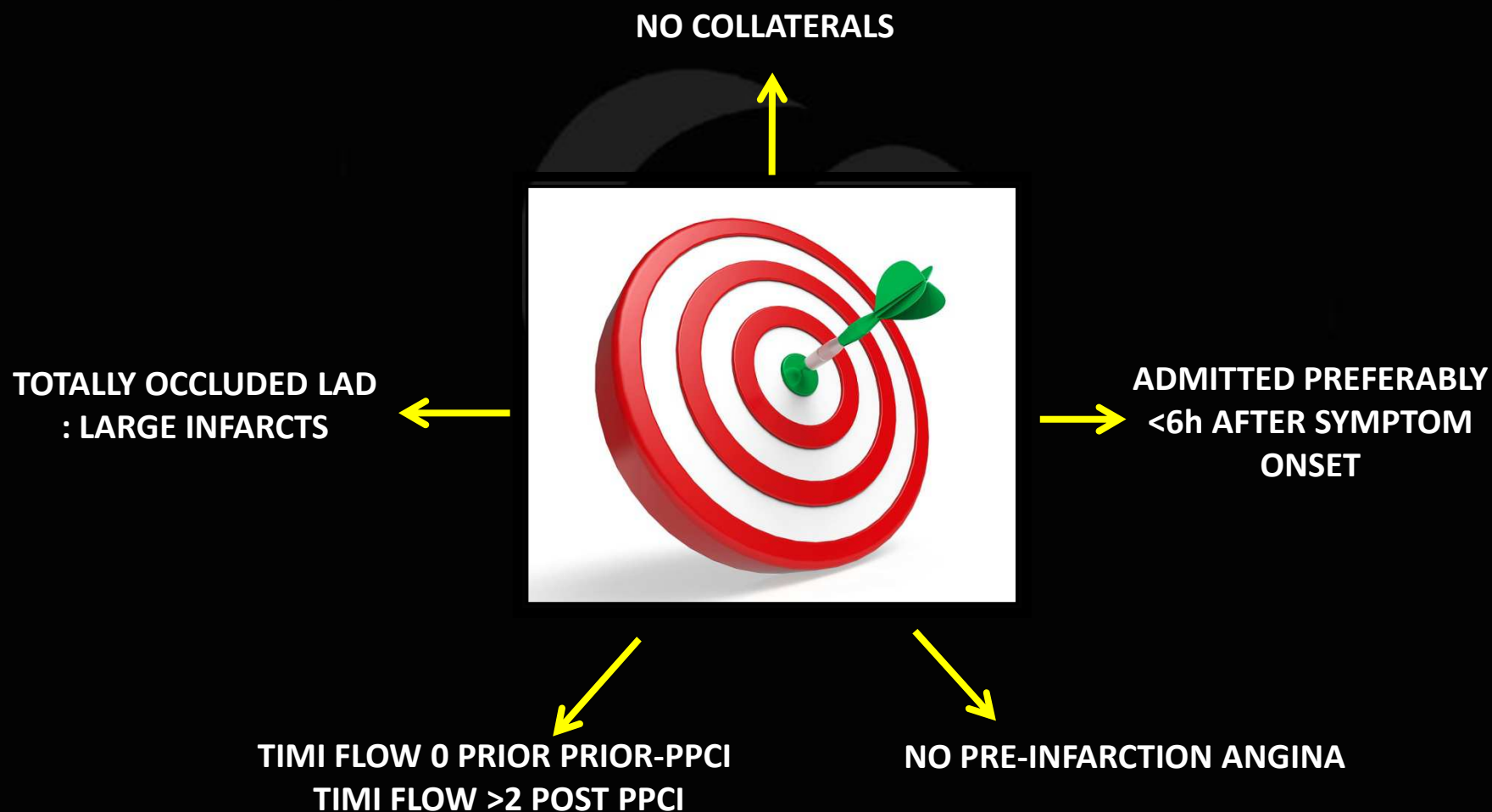
- 12h symptoms CIRCUS vs 4h Phase II - (any viable tissue left at 12h?)
- Higher use of P2Y12 inhibitors CIRCUS (cardioprotective)
- Vehicle used: cremophor vs intralipid (CIRCUS) which reduces infarct size as much as CiclosporineA

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Clinical Level:

- 1.- Lack of **SOLID CONSISTENT** experimental evidence
 - 2.- Lack of **PHASE-II** clinical trials (dosing and timing)
 - 3.- Which **CLINICAL SCENARIO** and **OPTIMAL PATIENT** should be considered
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The optimal patient and clinical scenario



FUTURE/NEW OPORTUNITIES

Identify novel targets

Test new strategies

Identify novel targets

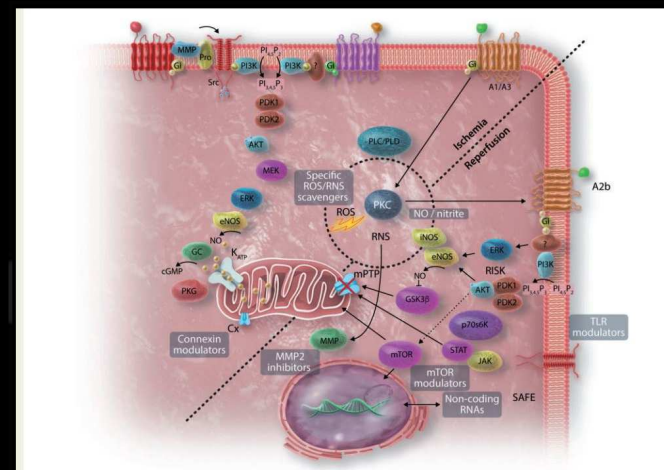


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Novel targets and future strategies for acute cardioprotection: Position Paper of the European Society of Cardiology Working Group on Cellular Biology of the Heart

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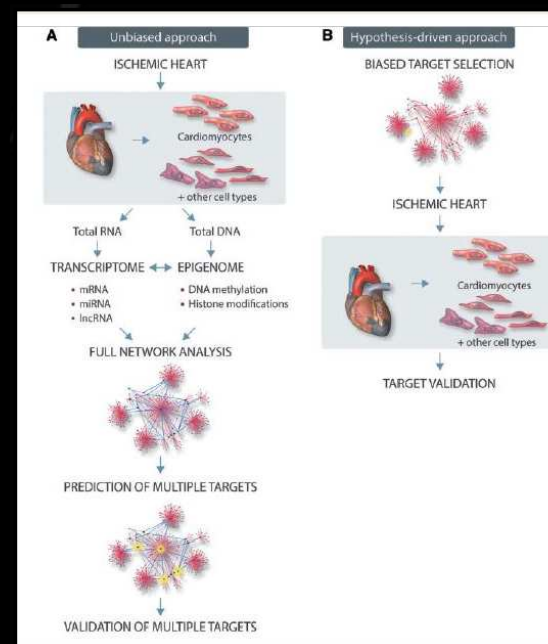


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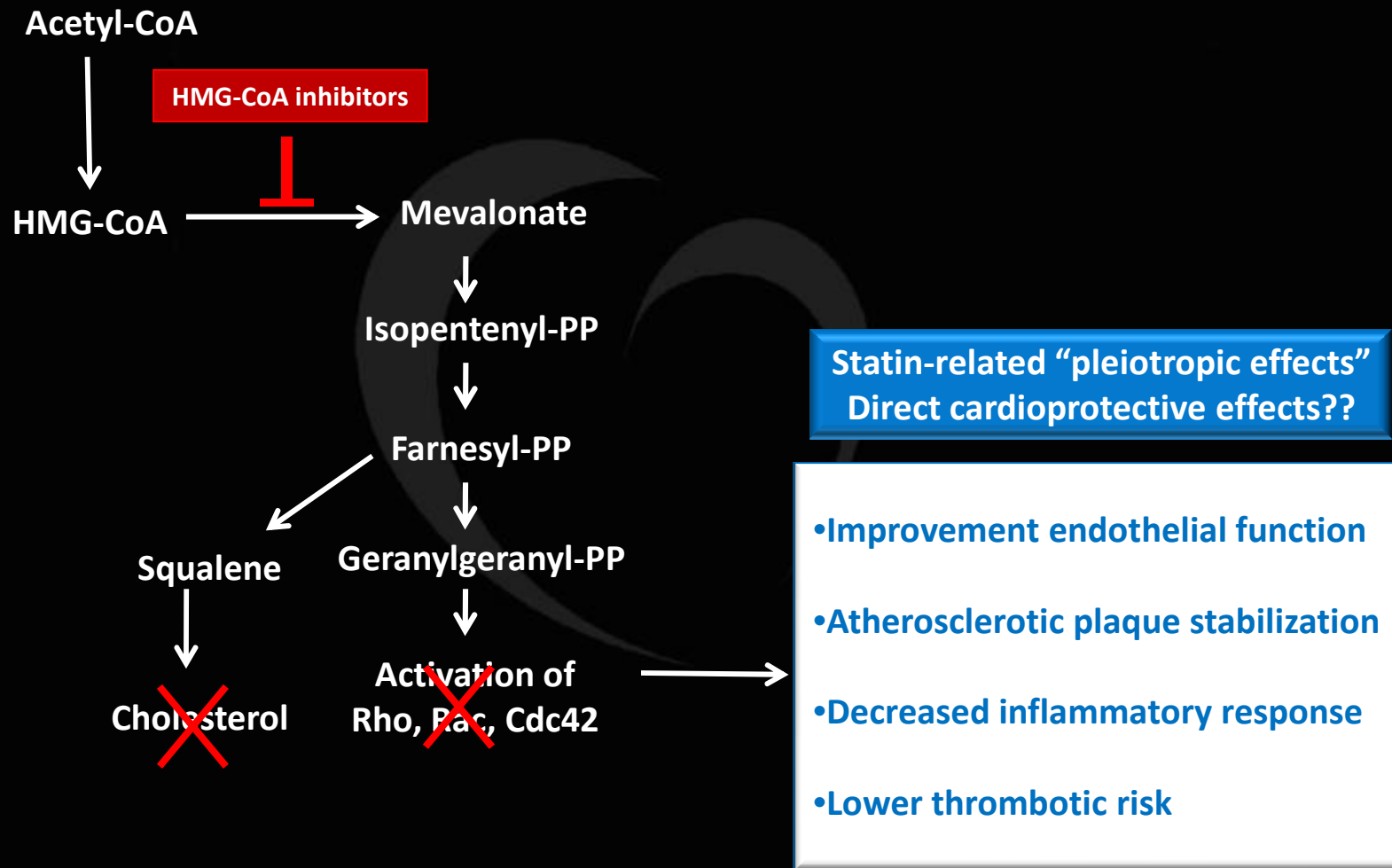
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Test new strategies: HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors, Statins



Better outcomes in ACS patients when oral LD of statins are administered early after revascularization (Miracle, PROVE-IT, A to Z).

Cannon et al *N Eng J Med* 2004

Kinlay et al *Circulation* 2004

de Lemos et al *Eur Heart J* 2004

Decreased rates of peri-procedural complications in several small-scale studies where oral LD statins are administered before an elective or emergent PCI.

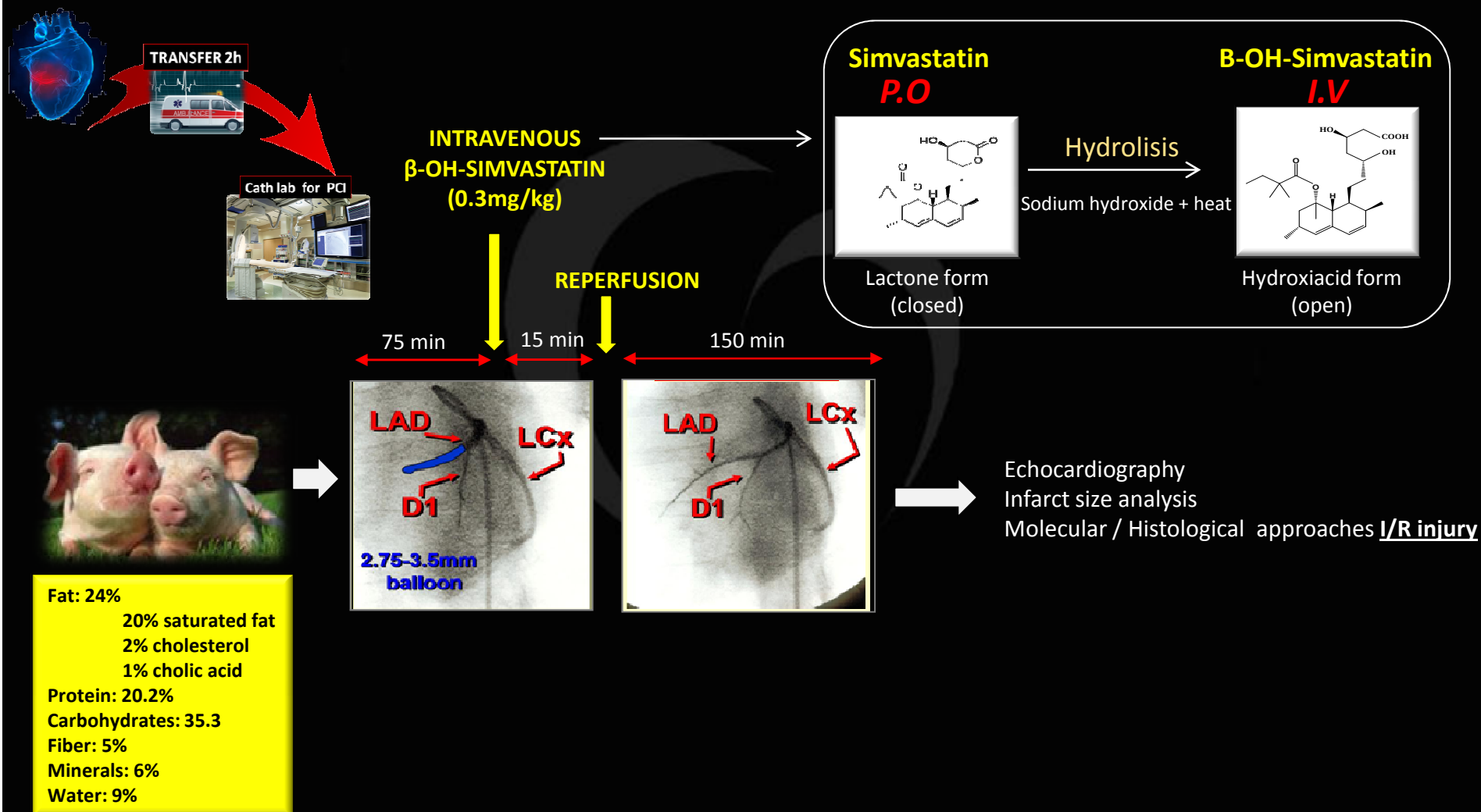
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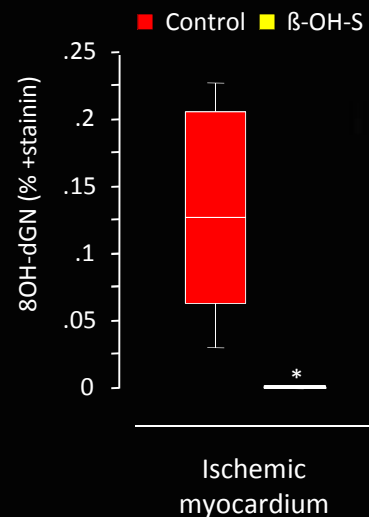
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Statins, do they exert cardioprotection when administered intravenously prior reperfusion?

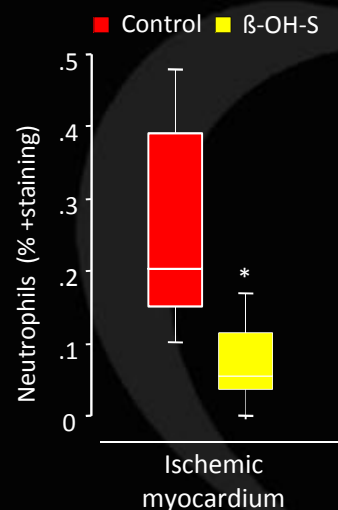


Iv Statin administration prior reperfusion protects against I/R injury

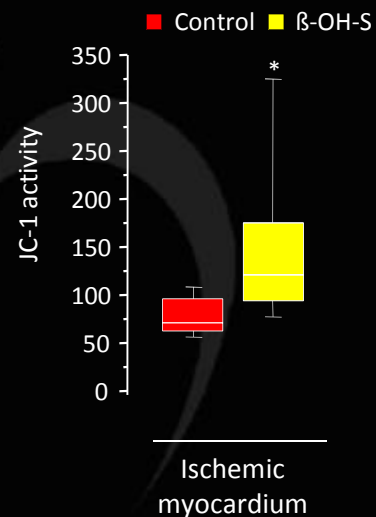
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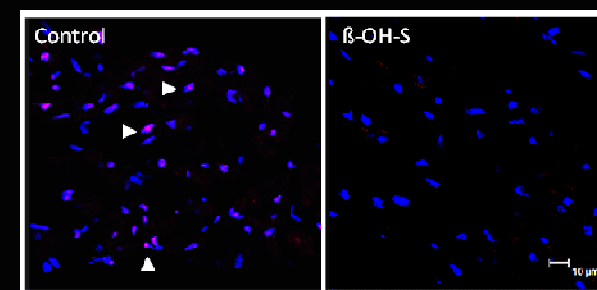
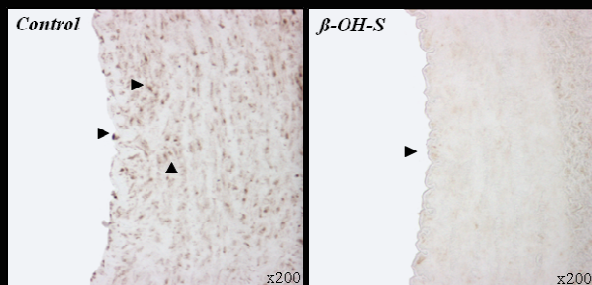
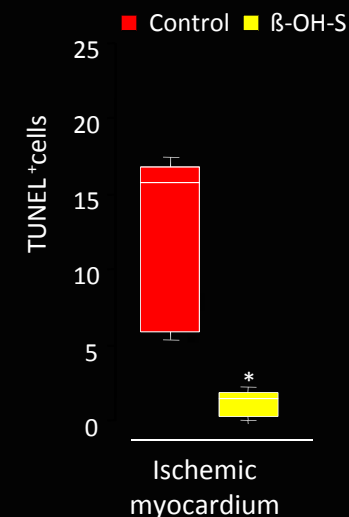
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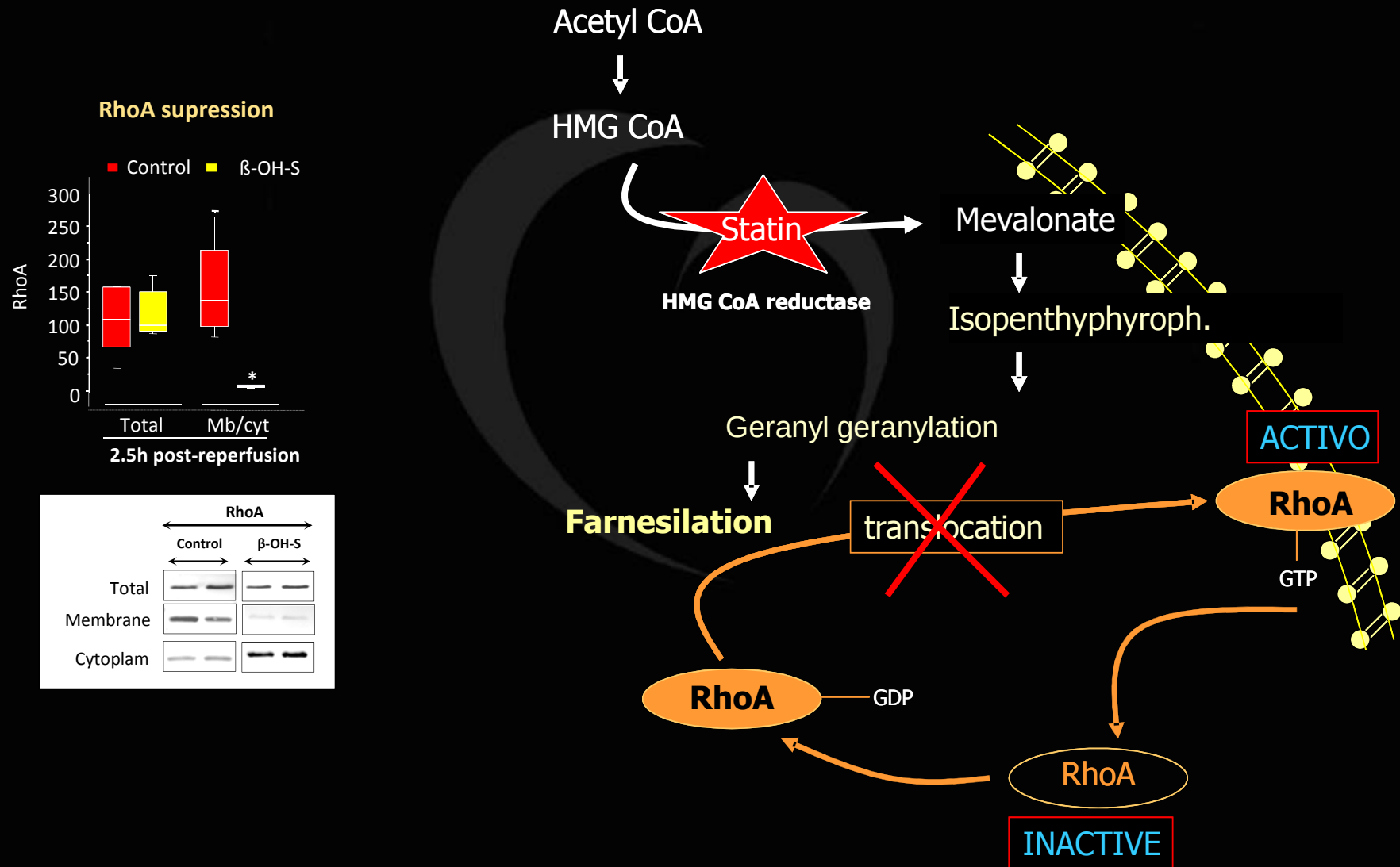
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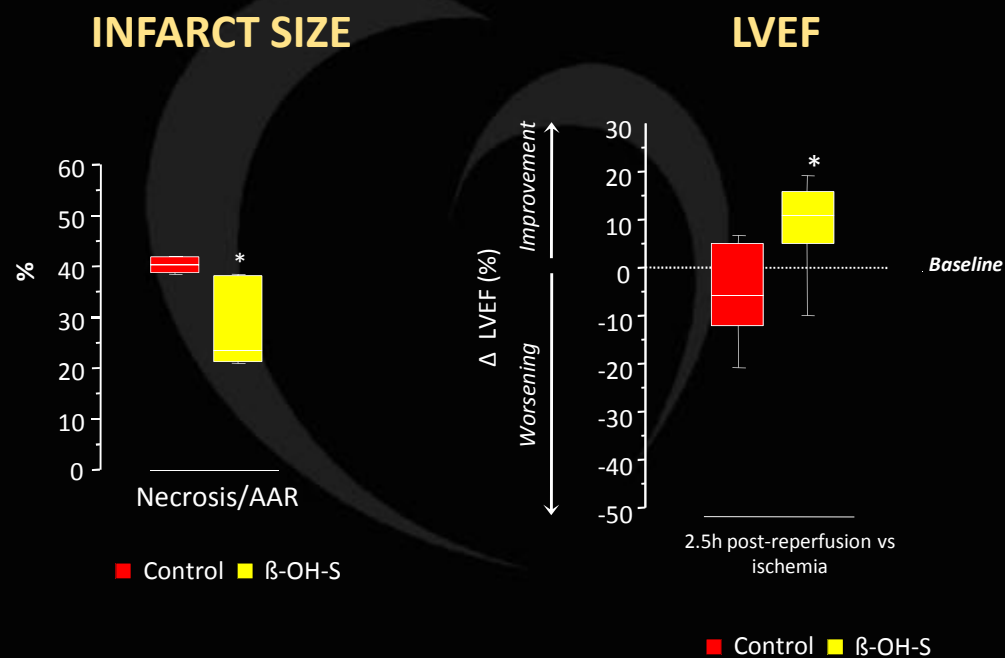
APOPTOSIS EXECUTION



Intravenous statin administration suppresses myocardial RhoA activation



Intravenous statin administration reduces infarct size and improves cardiac performance

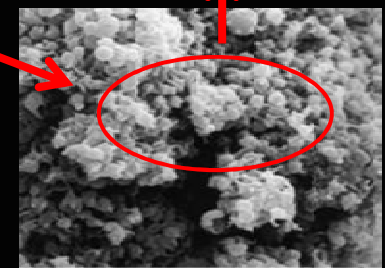
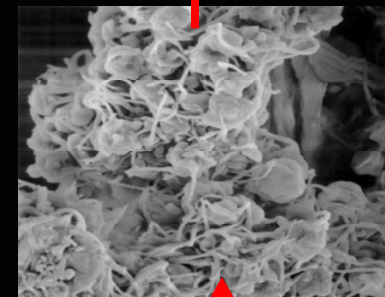
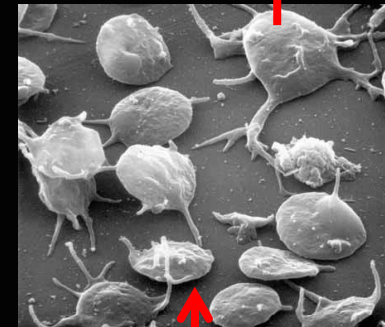
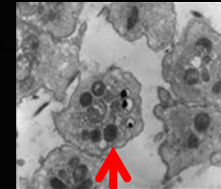
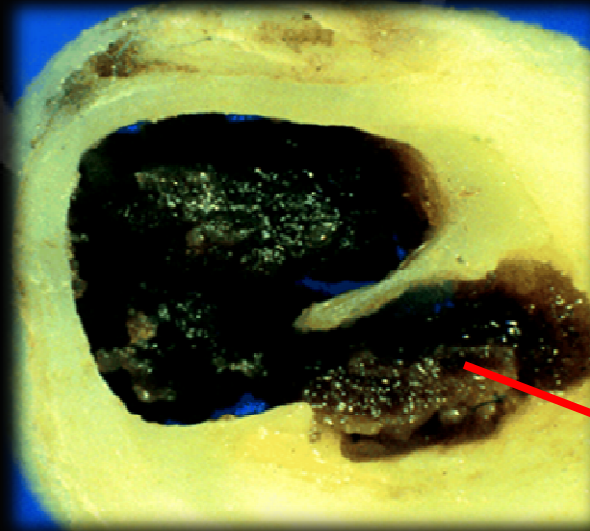
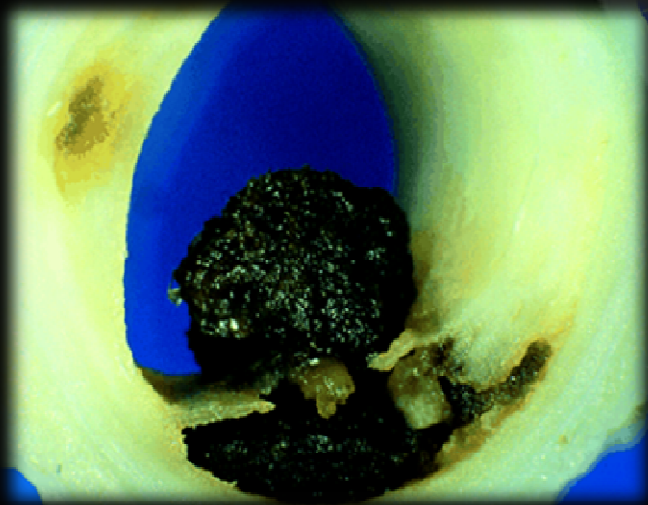
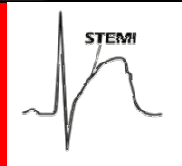


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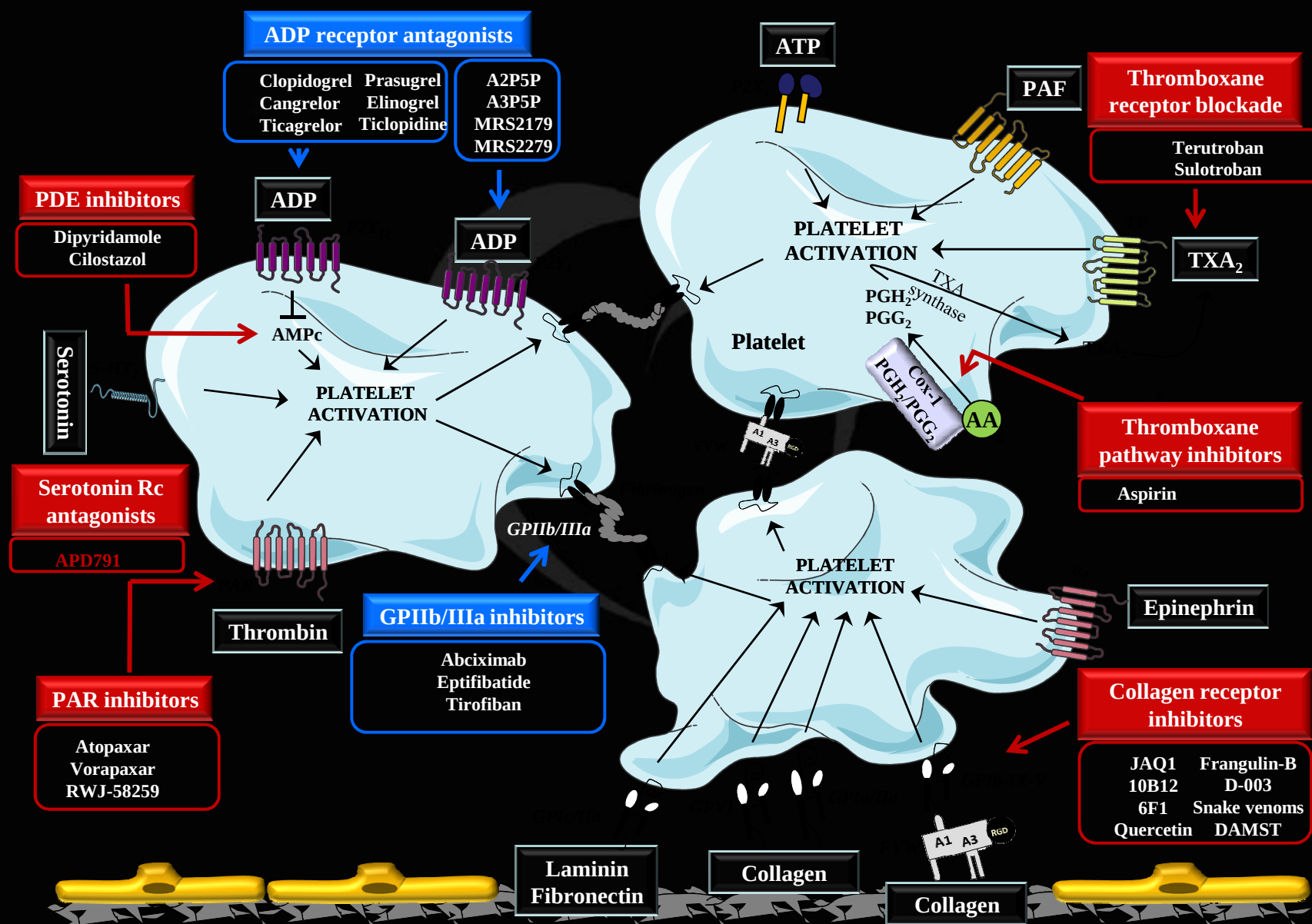
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Antiplatelet targets



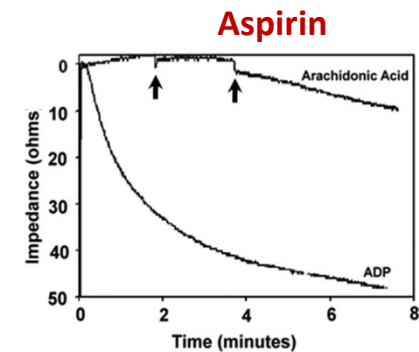
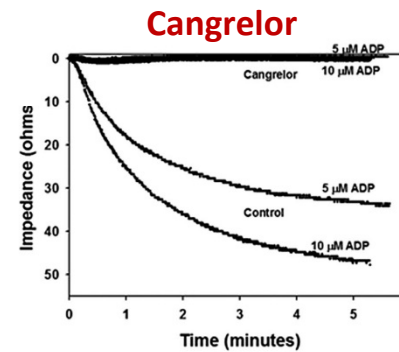
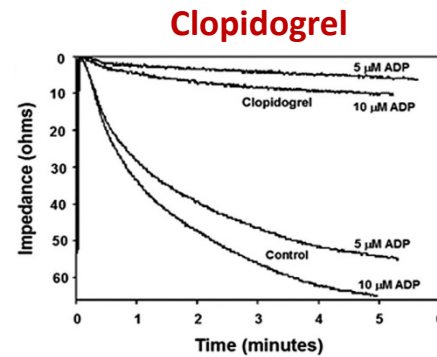
ADP-receptor antagonists: effect on infarct size



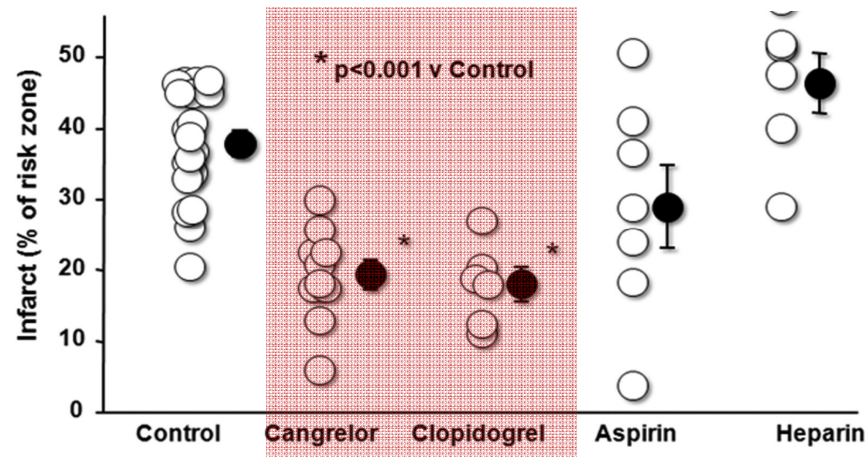
30min ischemia
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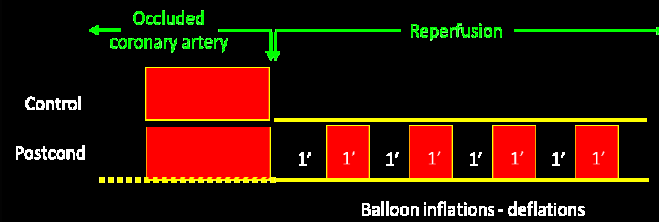
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Infarct size

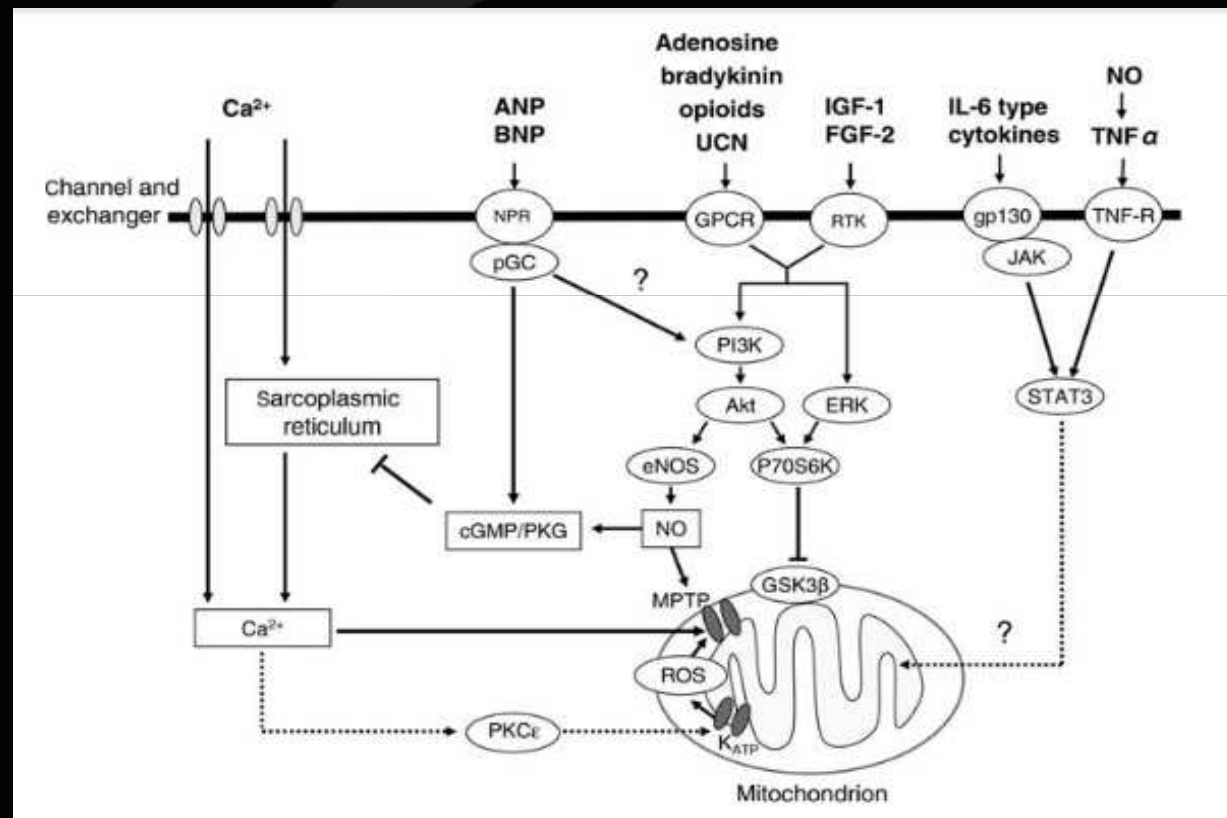


Mechanisms of action: Ischemic Post-Conditioning



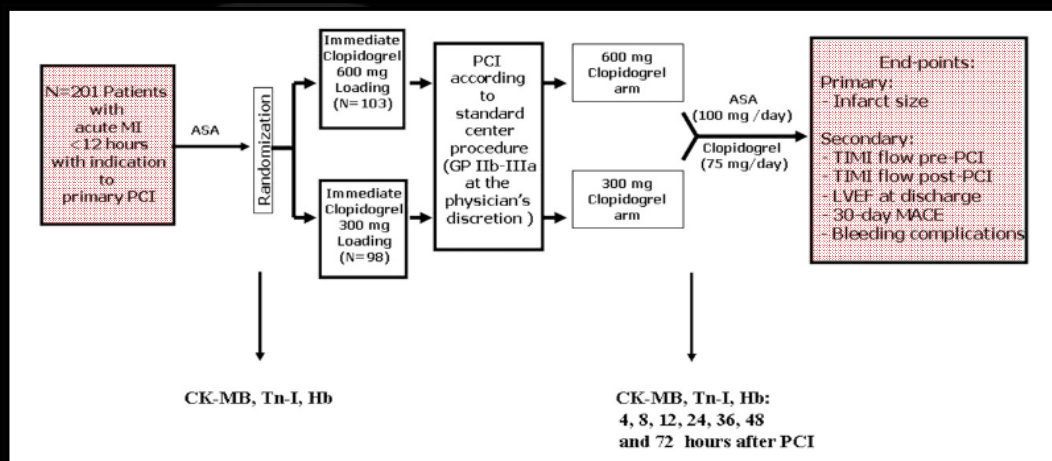
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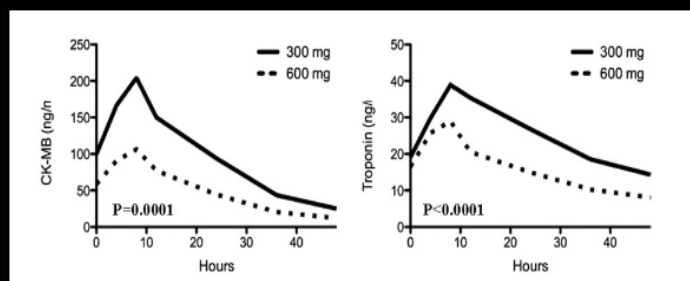


Clopidogrel - ADP-receptor blockers

Barrabes et al *Thromb & Haemost* 2010
Yang X et al *J Cardiovas Pharm & Therap* 2013
Cohen M et al *Cardiovasc Drug Ther* 2016
Schäfer et al. *Basic Res Cardiol* 2011
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Patti et al *J Am Col Cardiol* 2011 ARMYDA-6-MI



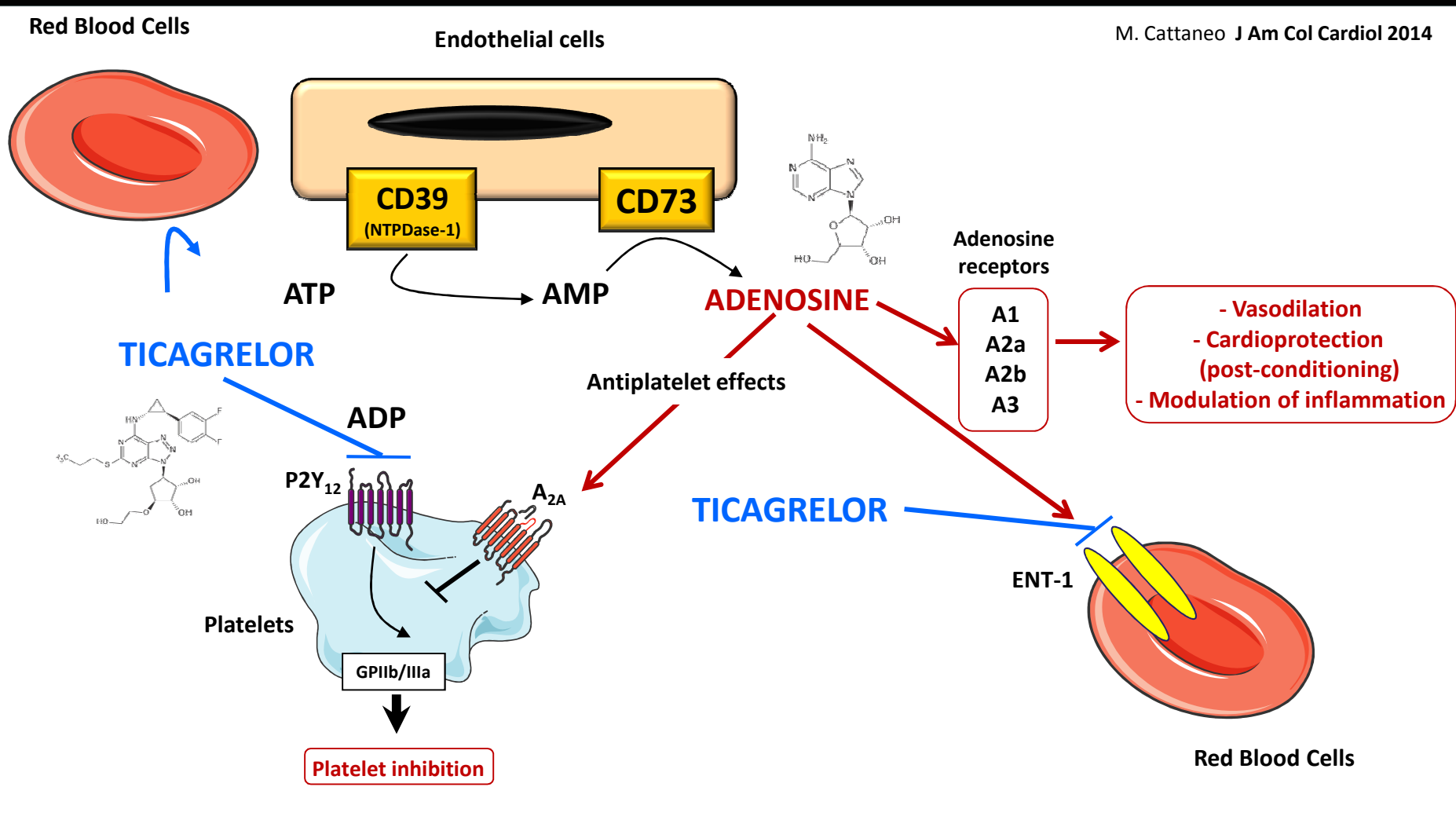
Infarct size – 24h



Potential explanations:

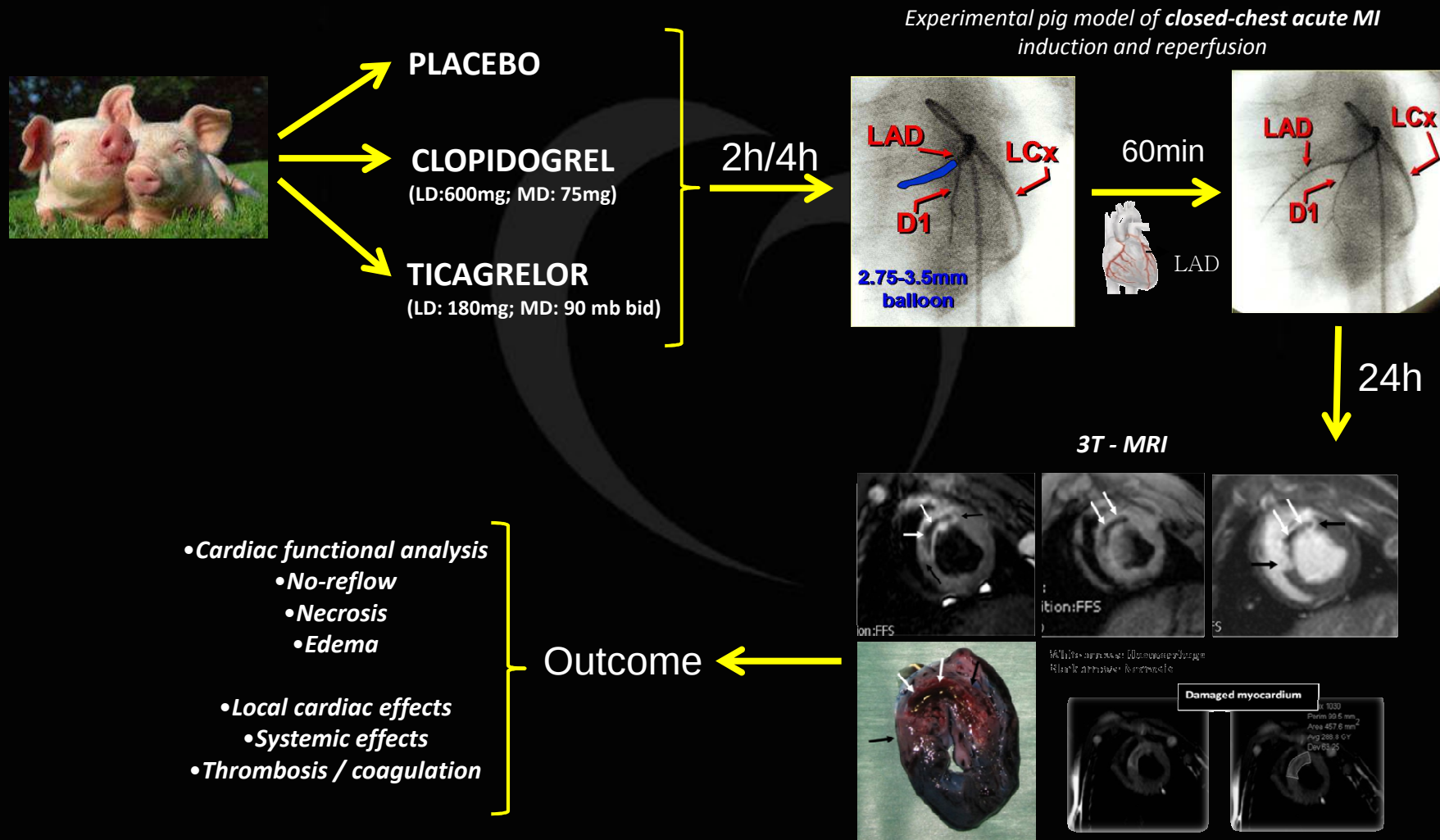
- 1) Improved coronary patency
- 2) Improved coronary flow

Effect of ticagrelor on infarct size : adenosine-related effect



Ticagrelor exerts direct cardioprotective effects

G. Vilahur, et al Circulation 2016



Ticagrelor reduces infarct size to a greater extent than clopidogrel

CMR analyses	Treatment	CMR		Treatment	CMR
LV mass (g)	Non-treated	70.0 [64.1-73.7]	Troponin (ng/mL)	Non-treated	19 [16.5-21.7]
	Clopidogrel	72.2 [69.3-74.7]		Clopidogrel	13.4 [13.0-14.0]*
	Ticagrelor	70.6 [67.9-74.4]		Ticagrelor	10.9 [9.3-11.4]*†
	ICCPPT	66.5 [65.0-70.2]			
Edema (g LV)	Non-treated	23.4 [20.9-31.1]	LVEF (%)	Non-treated	43.0 [42.0-43.6]
	Clopidogrel	21.6 [19.5-25.2]		Clopidogrel	47.2 [45.4-48.2] *
	Ticagrelor	16.3 [14.2-19.9]*†		Ticagrelor	47.2 [45.4-51.0]*
	ICCPPT	24.6 [20.9-28.3]			
Edema (% LV)	Non-treated	36.2 [33.9-43.2]	LVEDV (mL)	Non-treated	93.0 [87.6-98.1]
	Clopidogrel	30.1 [26.6-34.5]		Clopidogrel	73.7 [68.9-81.3]*
	Ticagrelor	23.1 [20.2-24.4]*†		Ticagrelor	77.4 [71.8-89.2]*
	ICCPPT	36.3 [33.9-43.2]			
Infarct mass (g LV)	Non-treated	22.8 [17.3-25.8]	LVESV (mL)	Non-treated	54.0 [49.2-55.6]
	Clopidogrel	15.7 [14.2-16.2]*		Clopidogrel	39.5 [36.3-41.9]*
	Ticagrelor	12.0 [10.6-12.9]*†		Ticagrelor	39.2 [37.3-46.0]*
	ICCPPT	18.9 [14.2-24.6]			
Necrosis (% LV)	Non-treated	31.1 [25.9-39.1]			
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	Ticagrelor	16.4 [15.5-17.9]*†			
	ICCPPT	24.6 [20.9-28.3]			
No-reflow (gr LV)	Non-treated	4.6 [2.1-6.0]			
	Clopidogrel	2.0 [1.5-2.8]*			
	Ticagrelor	2.1 [1.8-3.0]*			

* p<0.05 vs placebo-control animals

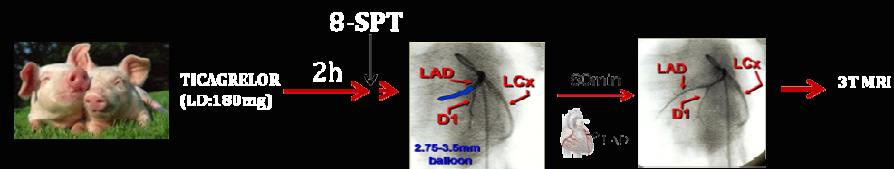
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Ticagrelor reduces infarct size to a greater extent than clopidogrel and edema formation post-MI

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Ticagrelor reduces infarct size via adenosine-dependent mechanisms

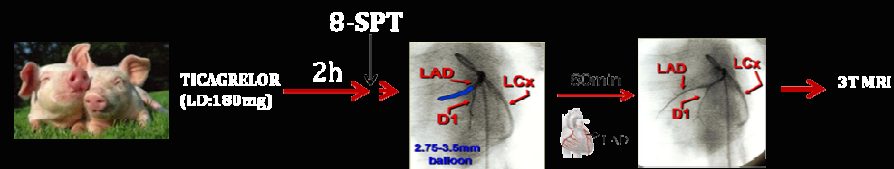
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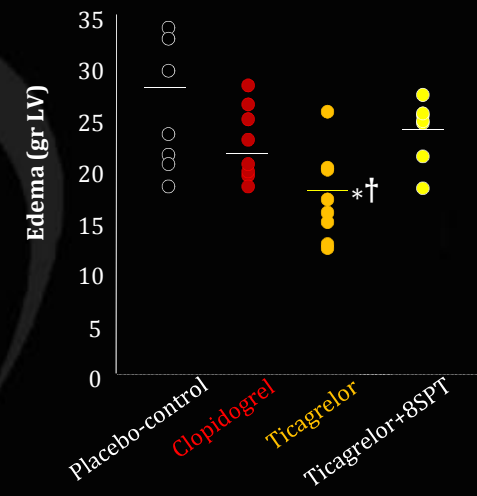
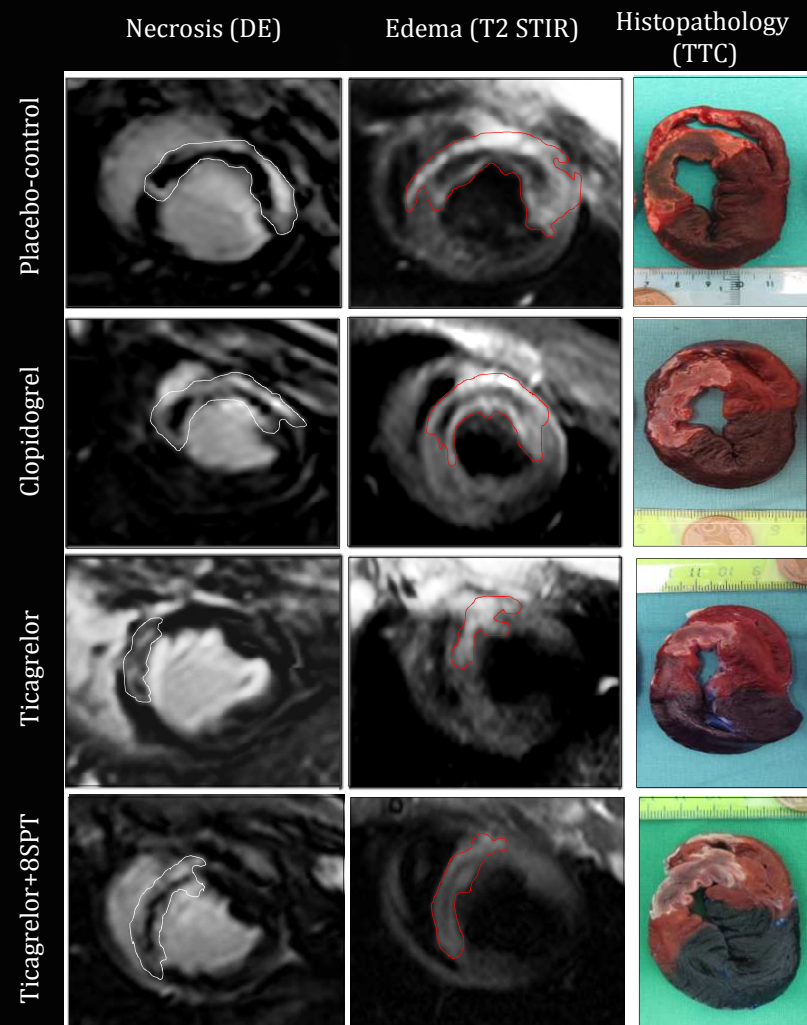
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	Ticagrelor	77.4 [71.8-89.2]*
	Ticagrelor+8SPT	84.4 [76.9-86.8]*
LVESV (mL)	Non-treated	54.0 [49.2-55.6]
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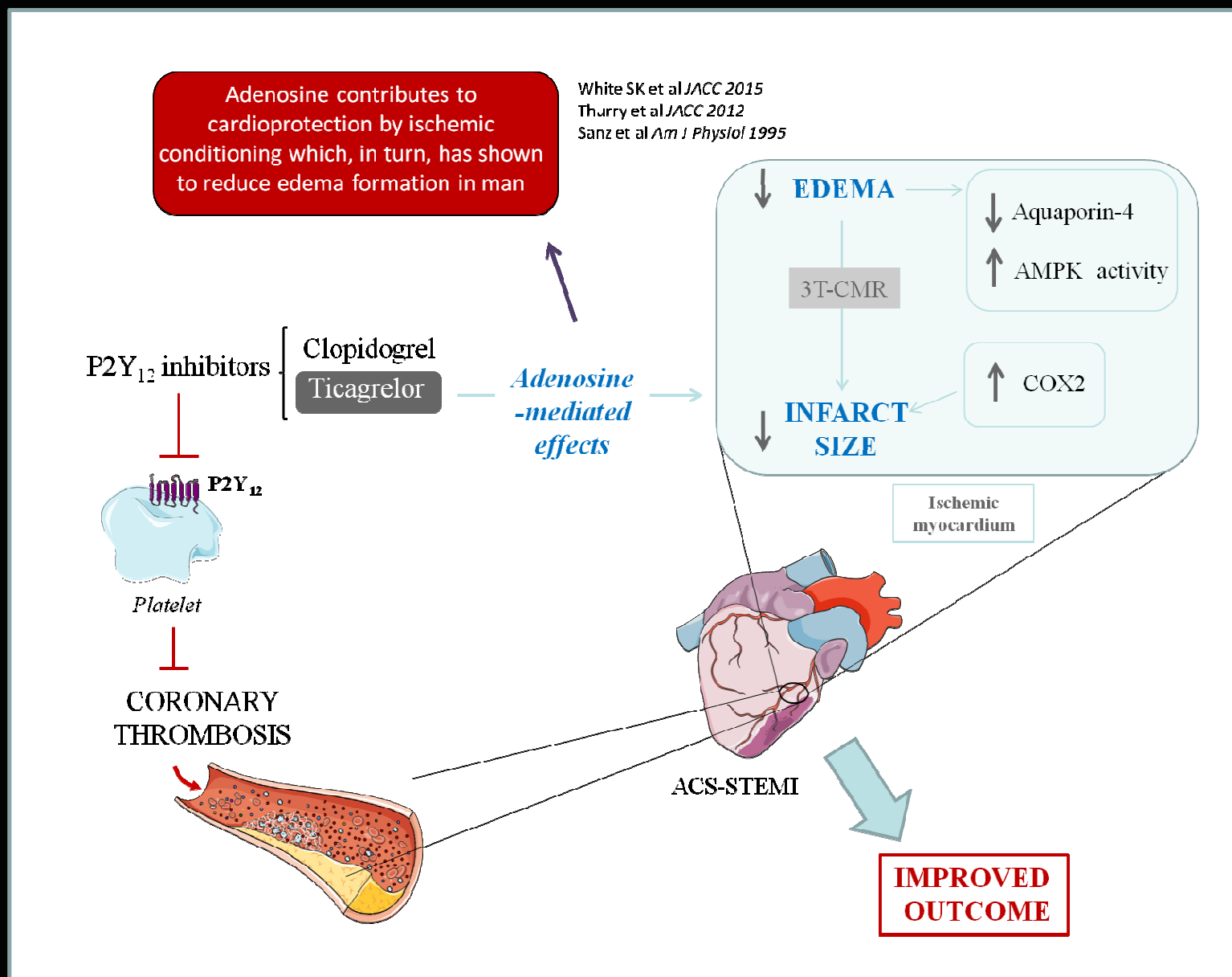
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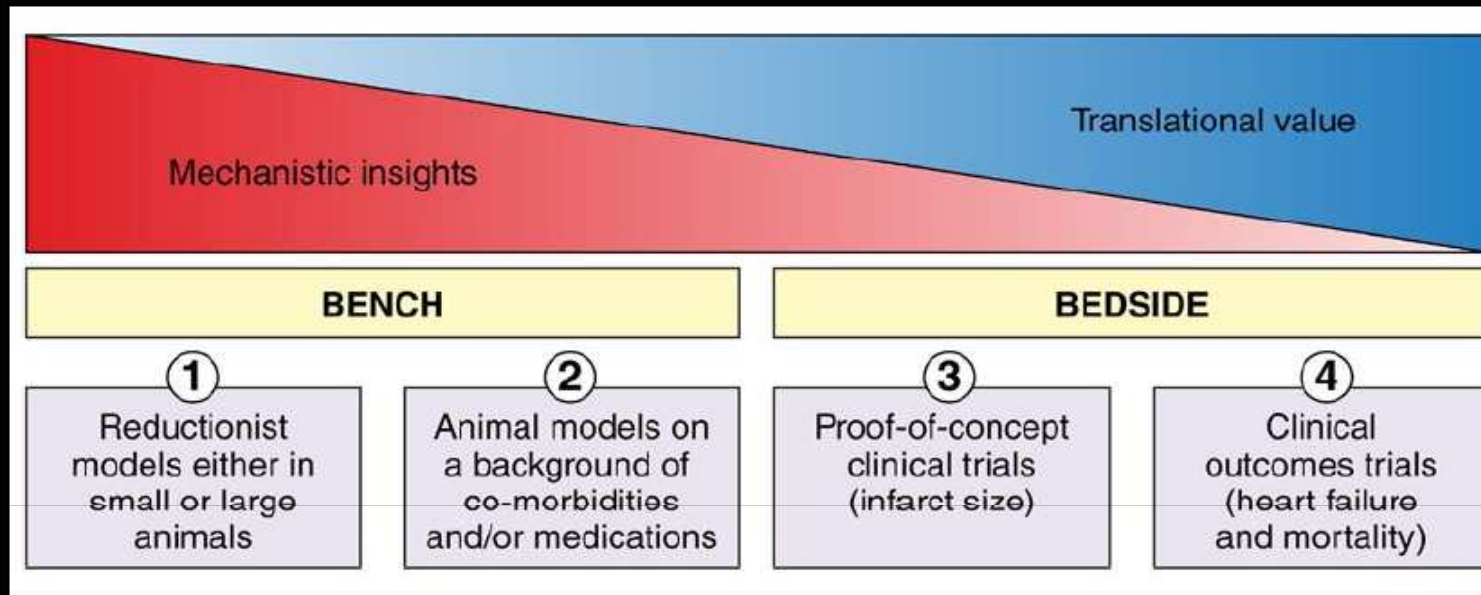


Edema reduction





TAKE HOME MESSAGE: Opportunities and Challenge to successfully translate cardioprotection



Networks and procedures in analogy

Selection of agents with consistent preclinical/experimental data

Perform Phase II dose-finding studies

Selecting the optimal patient

Heush et al *Circulation Res* 2017

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Therapies that show promise... mild hypothermia

Severe hypothermia (20° C-28° C)

Moderate hypothermia (28° C-32° C)

Mild hypothermia (32° C-35° C)

Metabolic slowing

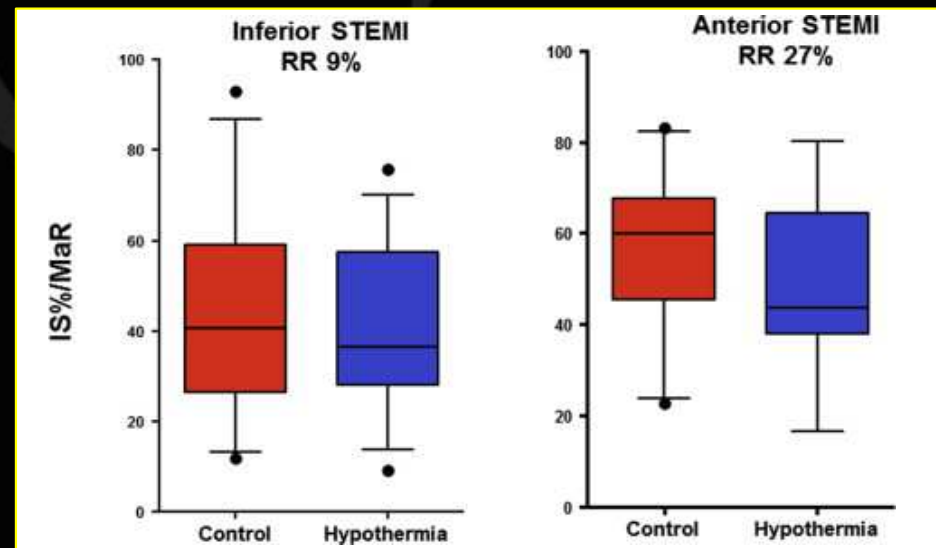
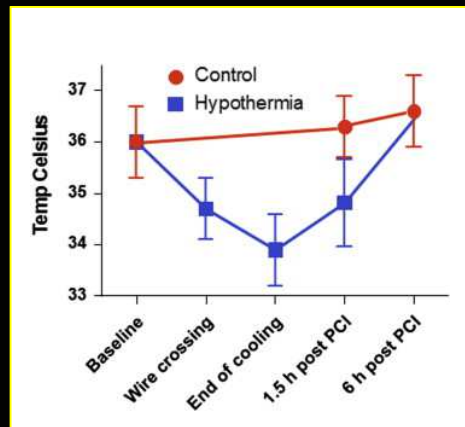
Erk activation (RISK)

Hale et al J Cardiovas Pharmacol 2011

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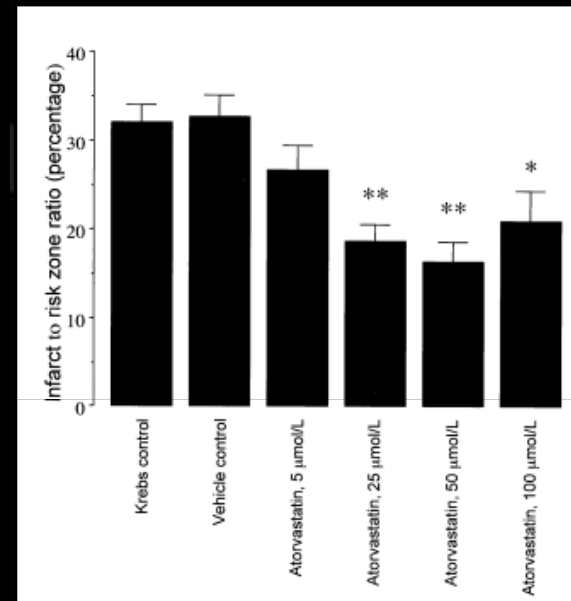
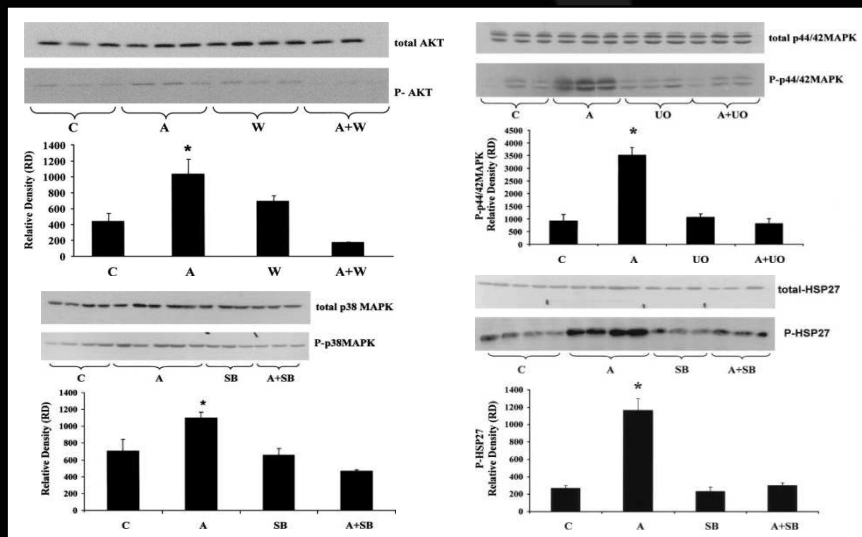
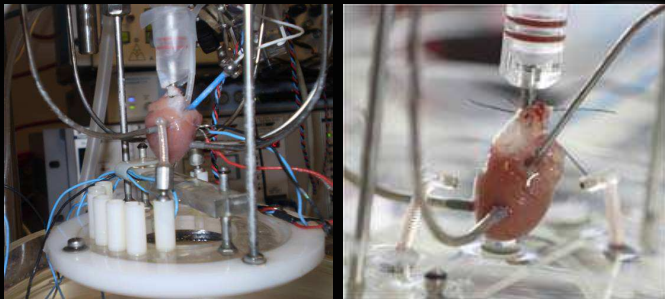
The CHILL-MI Trial



D. Erlinge et al JACC 2014

Atorvastatin, given at reperfusion, attenuates reperfusion injury *ex vivo* through multiple prosurvival signaling

30min global ischemia + 30 min reperfusion

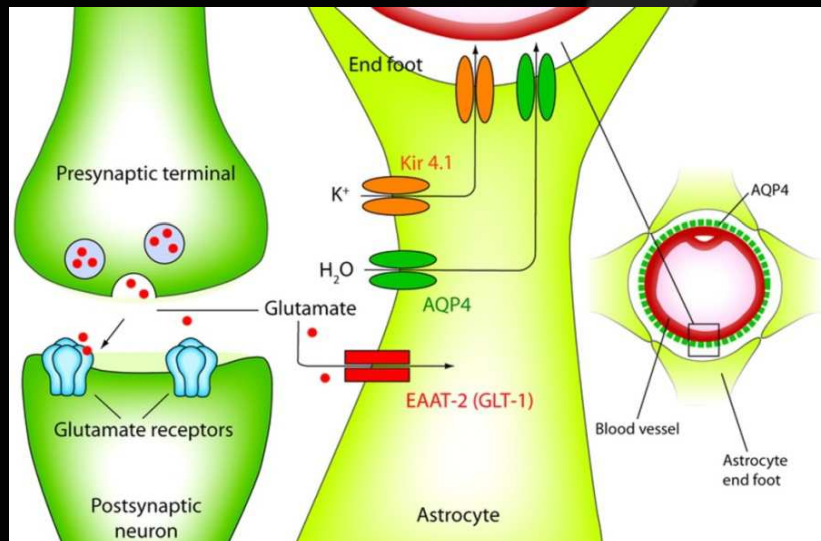


Bell & Yellon, *J Am Col Cardiol* 2003

Efthymiou, C et al *Journal of Cardiovascular Pharmacology*. 2005

Molecular analysis related to myocardial edema formation: AQUAPORIN-4

Aquaporin proteins are transmembrane channels critically involved in cellular water balance closely related to edema



Aquaporin-4 (AQP-4)?

Aquaporin-4 is responsible for cerebral ischemia
(Yao et al 2014)

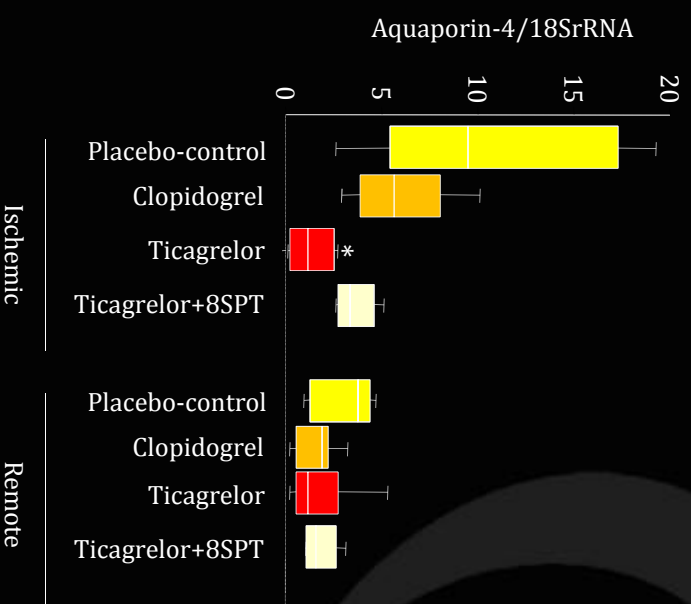
Aquaporin-4 increases after myocardial ischemia and is involved in myocyte swelling and infarct size
(Rutkovskiy A et al 2012; Warth et al 2007)

Adenosine signaling regulates aquaporin-4 expression
(Lee et al 2013)

Aquaporin-4 expression is found to be reduced in ENT-1^{-/-} mice
(Hinton et al 2014)

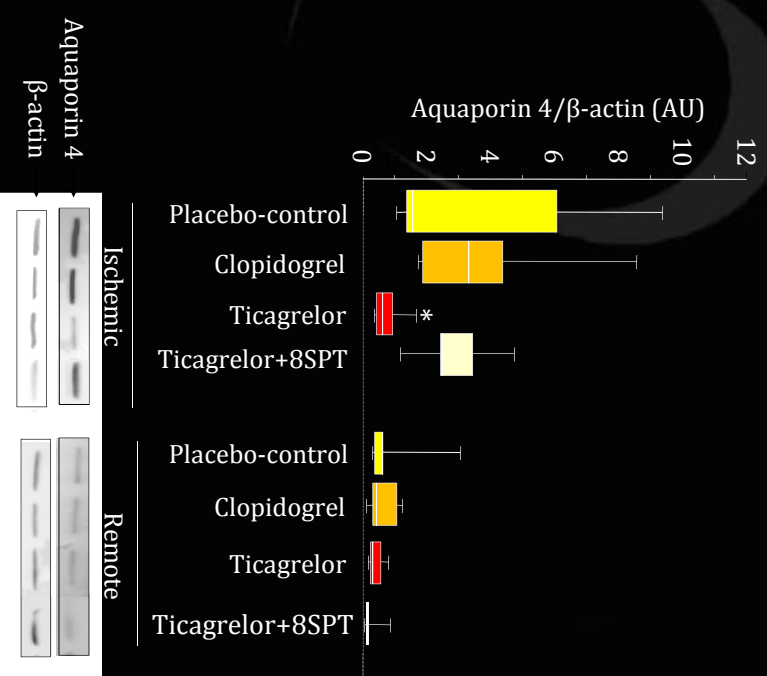
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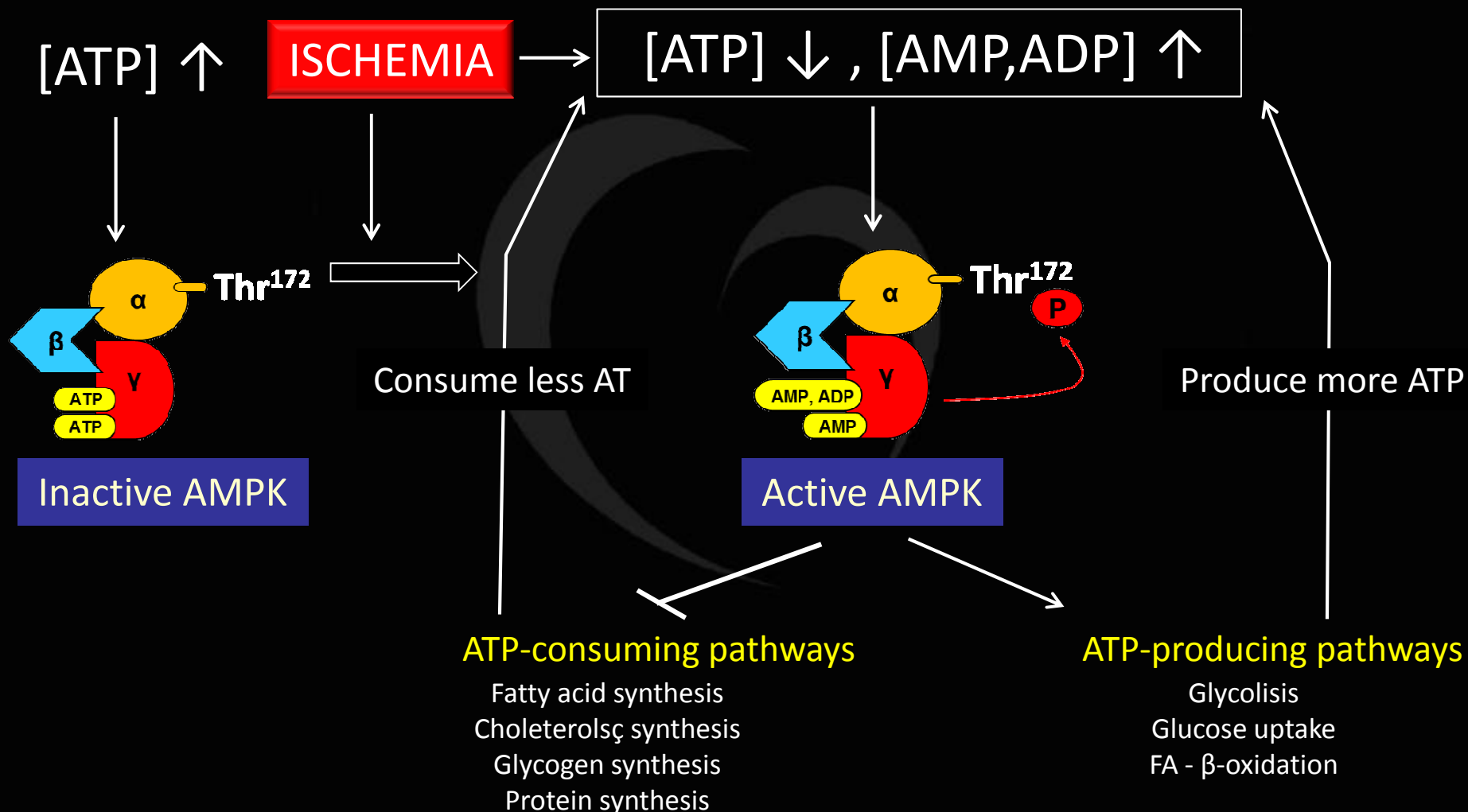
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AMPK: a critical component of myocardial metabolism

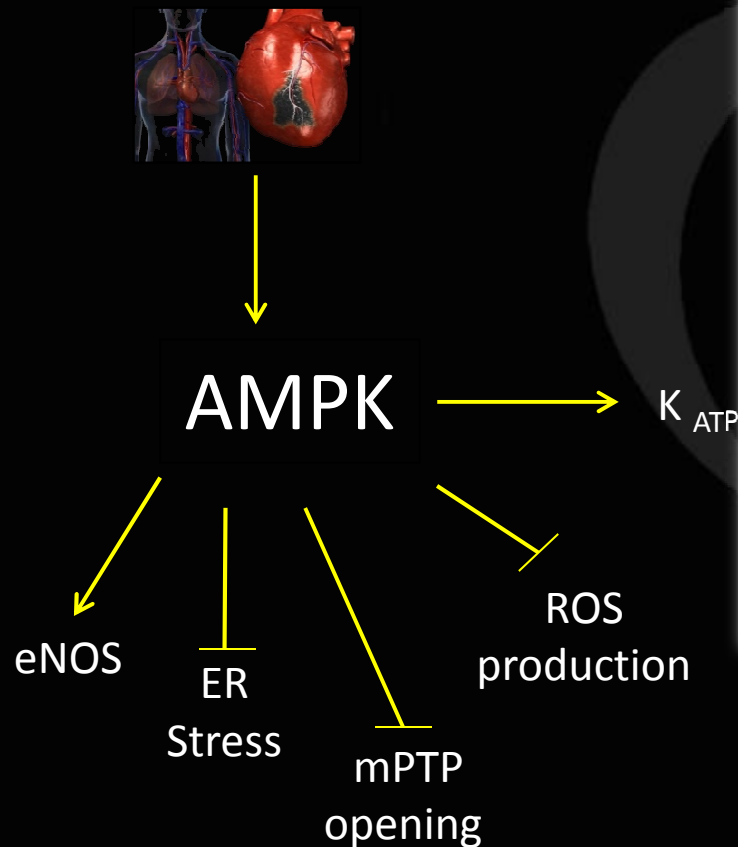
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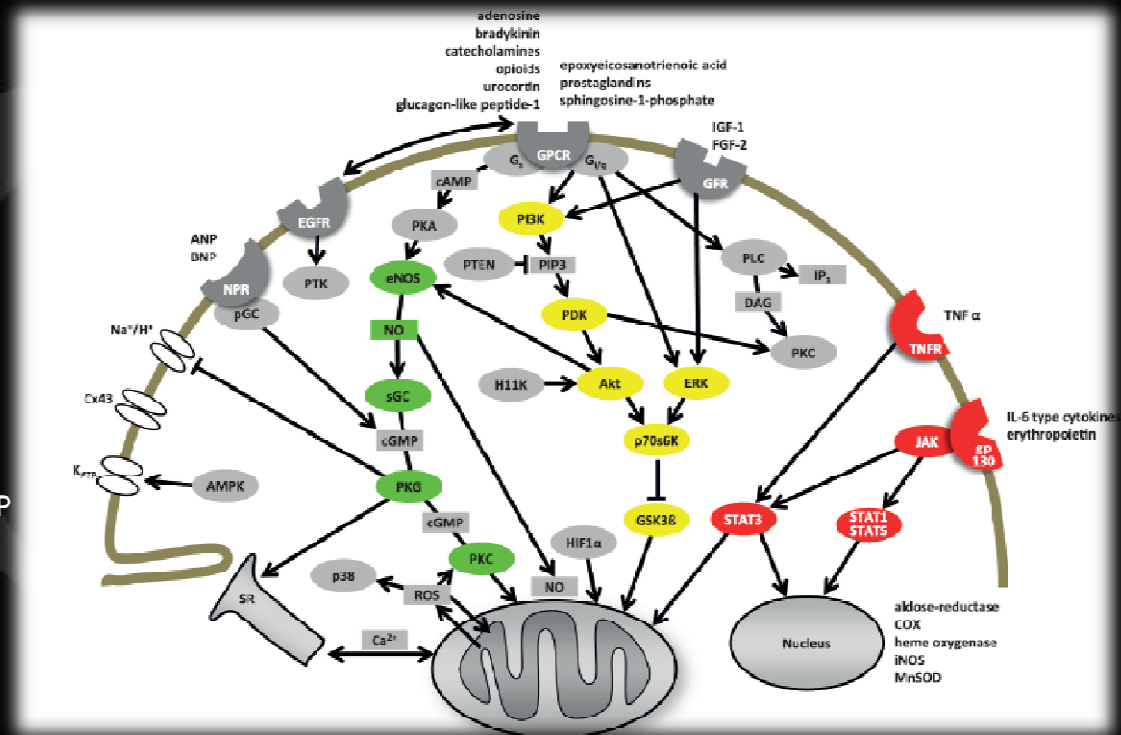
AMPK exerts cardioprotective properties

G. Heusch *Circulation Research* 2015

Ischemia-reperfusion



Cardioprotective signal transduction in conditioning



Castanares-Zapatero D et al. 2013

AMPK^{-/-} mice: AMPK prevents ventricular edema formation

Ticagrelor increases AMPK signaling activation

