

Foundations of Cardiometabolic Health Certification Course

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Non-Invasive Imaging Discussion Cases:

- ❖ *Risk Assessment*
- ❖ *Anatomic vs. Functional approach*

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Case #1

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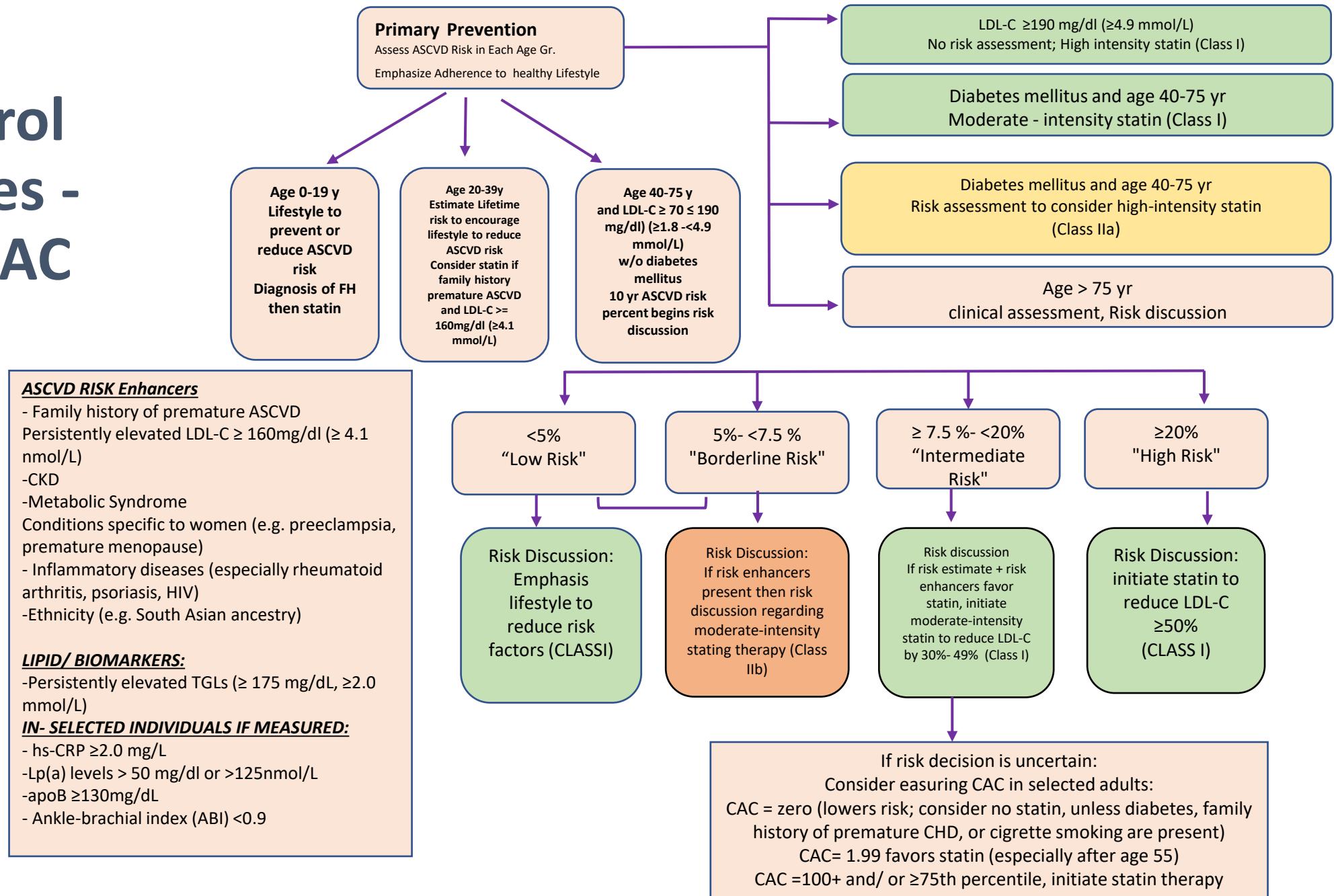
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Case Vignette #1

- 49-year-old man with a family history of premature coronary artery disease and borderline hyperlipidemia (LDL-C = 135 mg/dL)
- Not currently on any preventive pharmacotherapy

2018 Cholesterol Guidelines - Role of CAC



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Case #2

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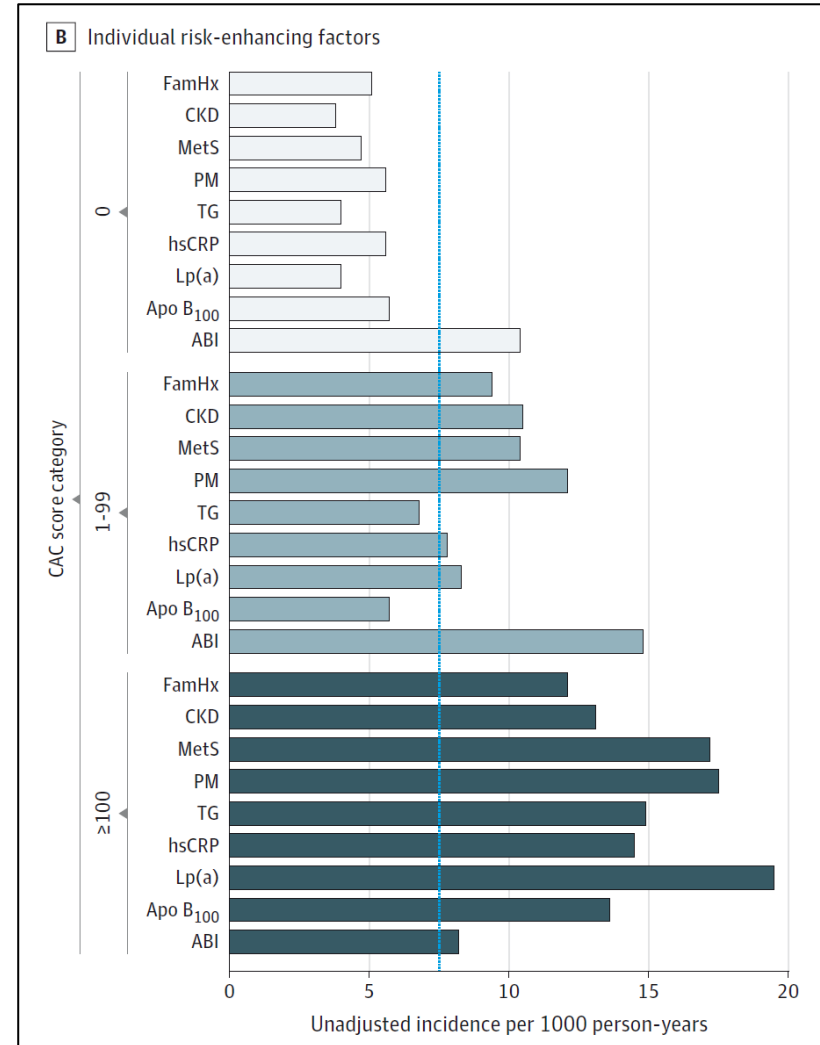
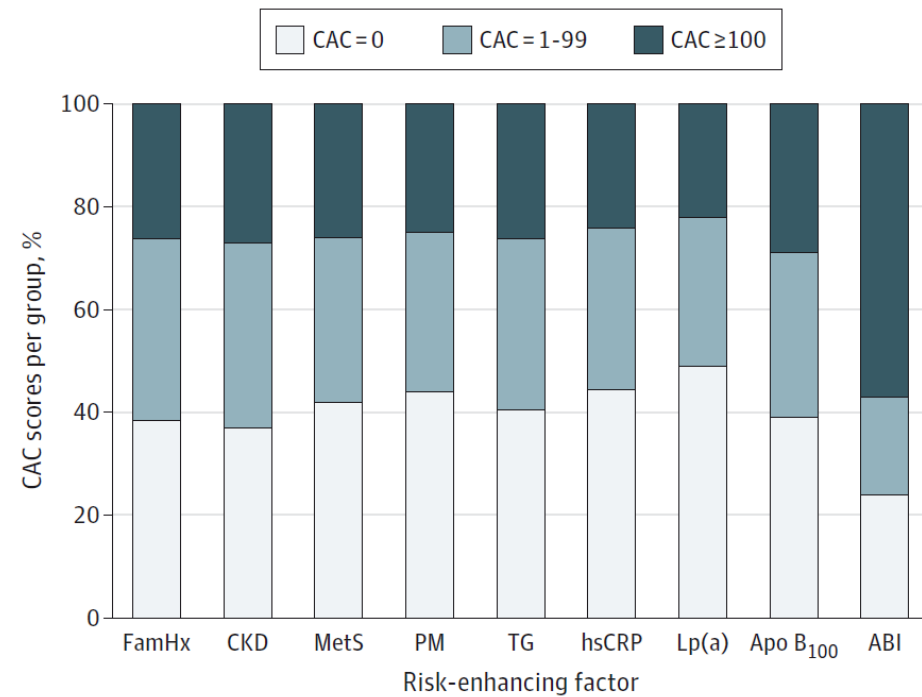
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Case Vignette #2

- 54-year-old woman with a family history of premature coronary artery disease, yet LDL = 101 mg/dL
- Only risk factor is elevated lipoprotein(a) of 175 nmol/L
- Not currently on any preventive pharmacotherapy

Assessment of Coronary Artery Calcium Scoring to Guide Statin Therapy Allocation According to Risk-Enhancing Factors: The Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis

Figure 1. Distribution of Coronary Artery Calcium Scores at Baseline by Risk-Enhancing Factor Group



2020 Endocrine Society Recommendations

In patients with additional risk-enhancing factors, including elevated lipoprotein(a), as described below, risk assessment should consider traditional 10-year atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease risk assessment and the presence of risk-enhancing factors. The coronary artery calcium score should be considered when risk assessment and treatment decisions remain uncertain.

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Case #3

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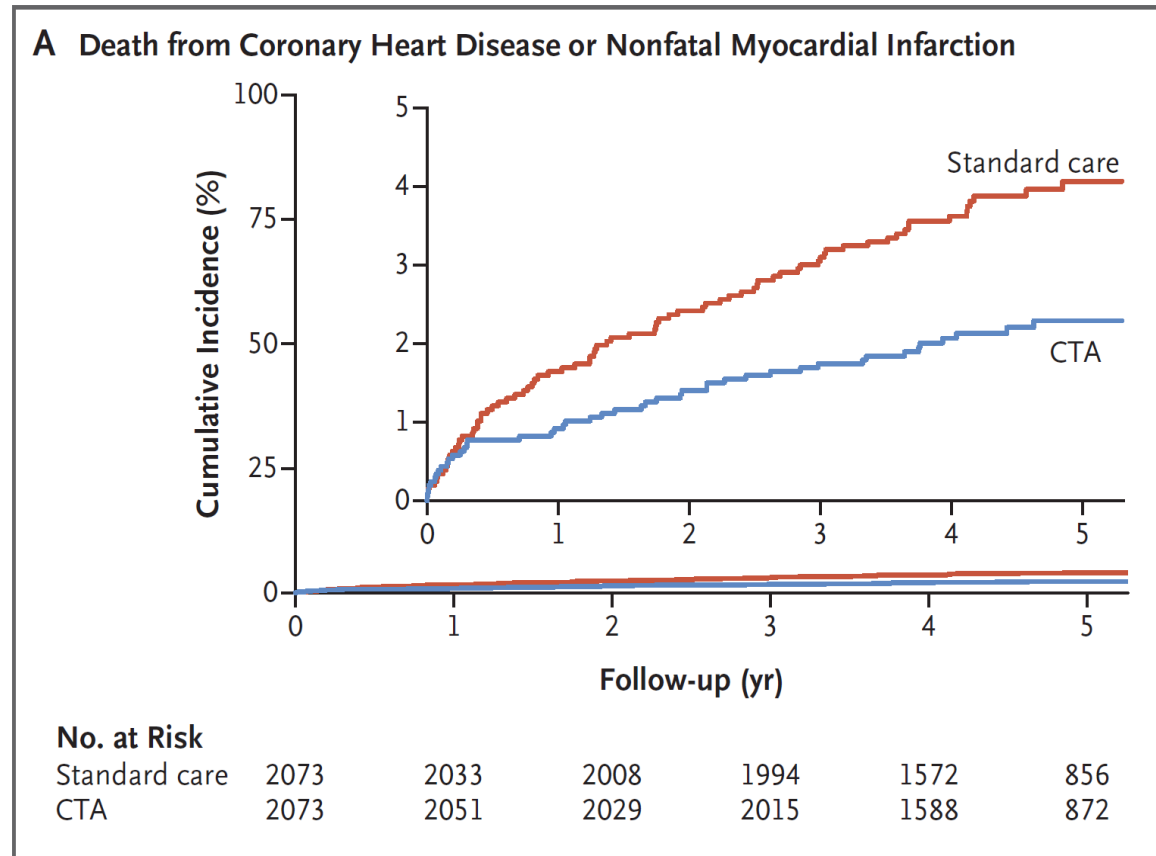
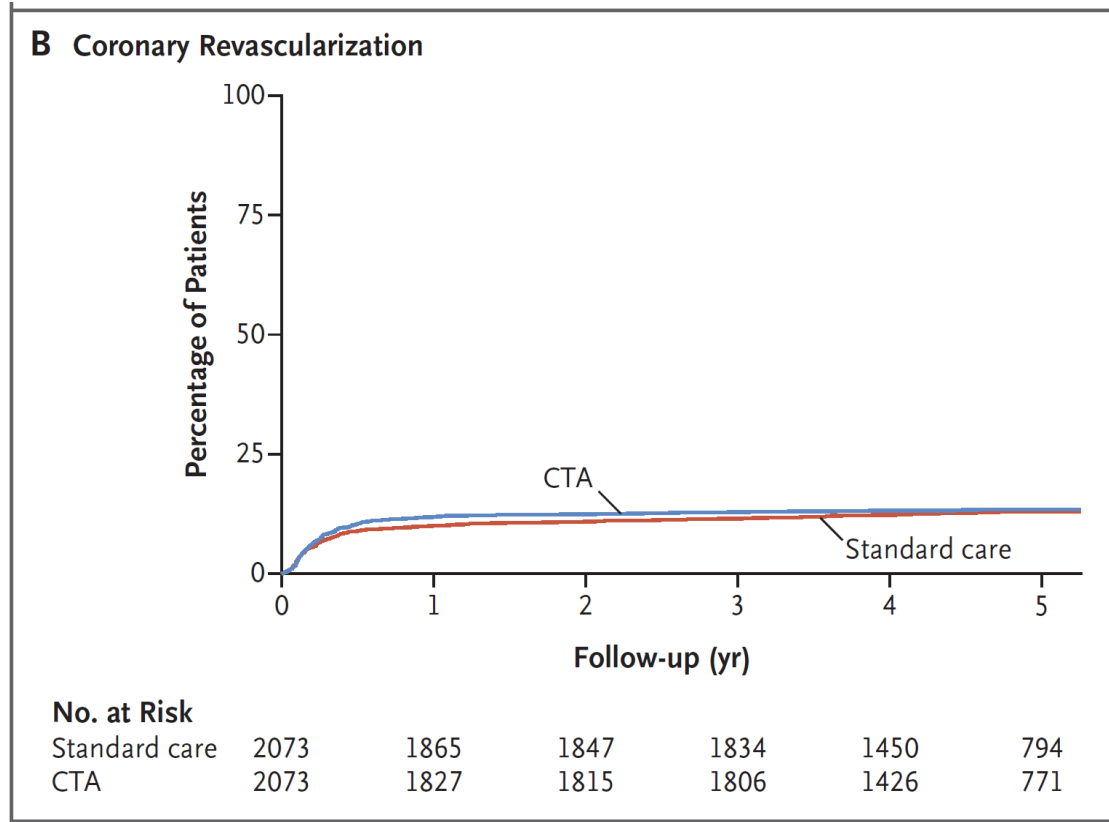
- 56-year-old man with moderate exertional chest pain, hyperlipidemia (LDL = 141 mg/dL), and late-onset CHD in father
- Not currently on aspirin or statin

SCOT-HEART Trial

Coronary CT Angiography and 5-year Risk of Myocardial Infarction

The SCOT-HEART Investigators

In an open-label, multicenter, parallel-group trial, we randomly assigned 4146 patients with stable chest pain who had been referred to a cardiology clinic for evaluation to standard care plus CTA (2073 patients) or to standard care alone (2073 patients). Investigations, treatments, and clinical outcomes were assessed over 3 to 7 years of follow-up.



Case #3

- 56-year-old man with moderate exertional chest pain, hyperlipidemia (LDL = 141 mg/dL), and late-onset CHD in father
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Case #4

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Case #4

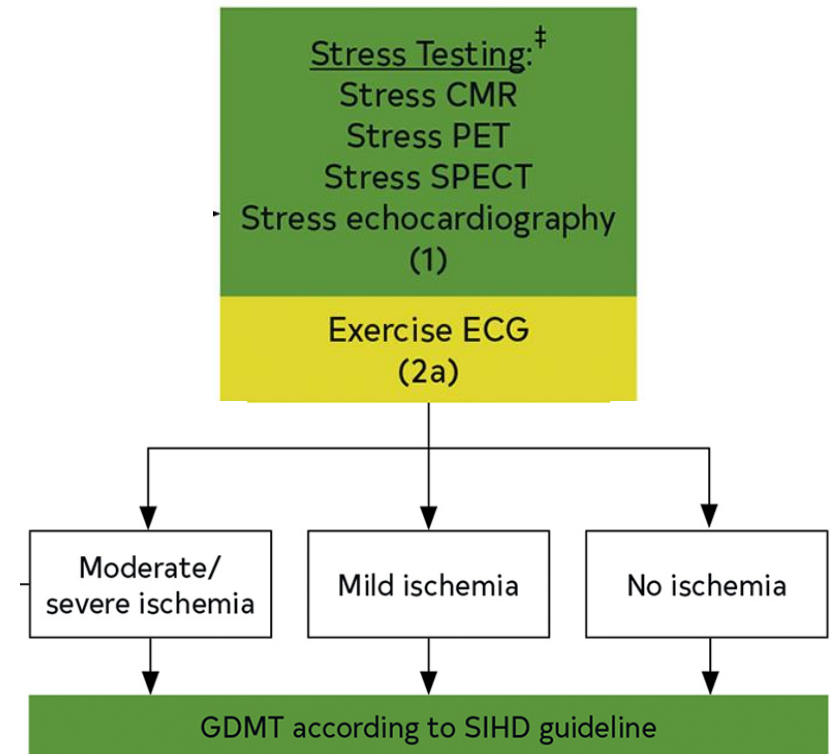
- 69-year-old woman with consistent, exertional chest pain and shortness of breath walking up stairs
- History of CAD – she had 2 stents 2 years ago, another one last year
- LVEF 40%

Coronary CT Angiography vs Stress Testing

Favors use of CCTA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rule out obstructive CAD • Detect Nonobstructive CAD
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High quality imaging and expert interpretation routinely available
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age <65
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior functional study inconclusive
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anomalous coronary arteries • Require evaluation of aorta or pulmonary arteries

Favors use of stress imaging
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ischemia guided management
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High quality imaging and expert interpretation routinely available
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age ≥65
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior CCTA inconclusive
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suspect scar (especially if PET or stress CMR available) • Suspect coronary microvascular dysfunction (when PET or CMR available)

Evaluation of known obstructive CAD



Case #4

- 69-year-old woman with consistent, exertional chest pain and shortness of breath walking up stairs
- History of CAD – she had 2 stents 2 years ago, another one last year
- LVEF 40%
- Stress Test

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Case #5

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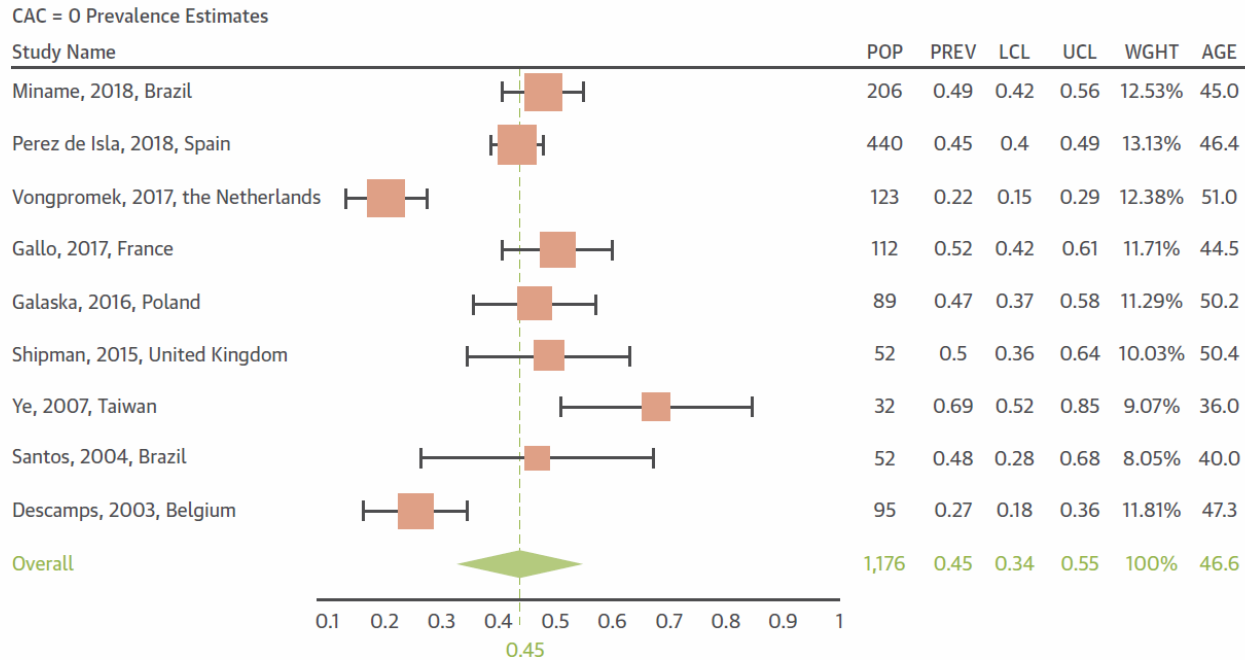
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Case #5

- 47-year-old woman with familial hypercholesterolemia and chronic mild chest discomfort mostly at rest and sometimes with light exertion
- LDL=92 on high intensity statin and ezetimibe
- Not currently taking aspirin

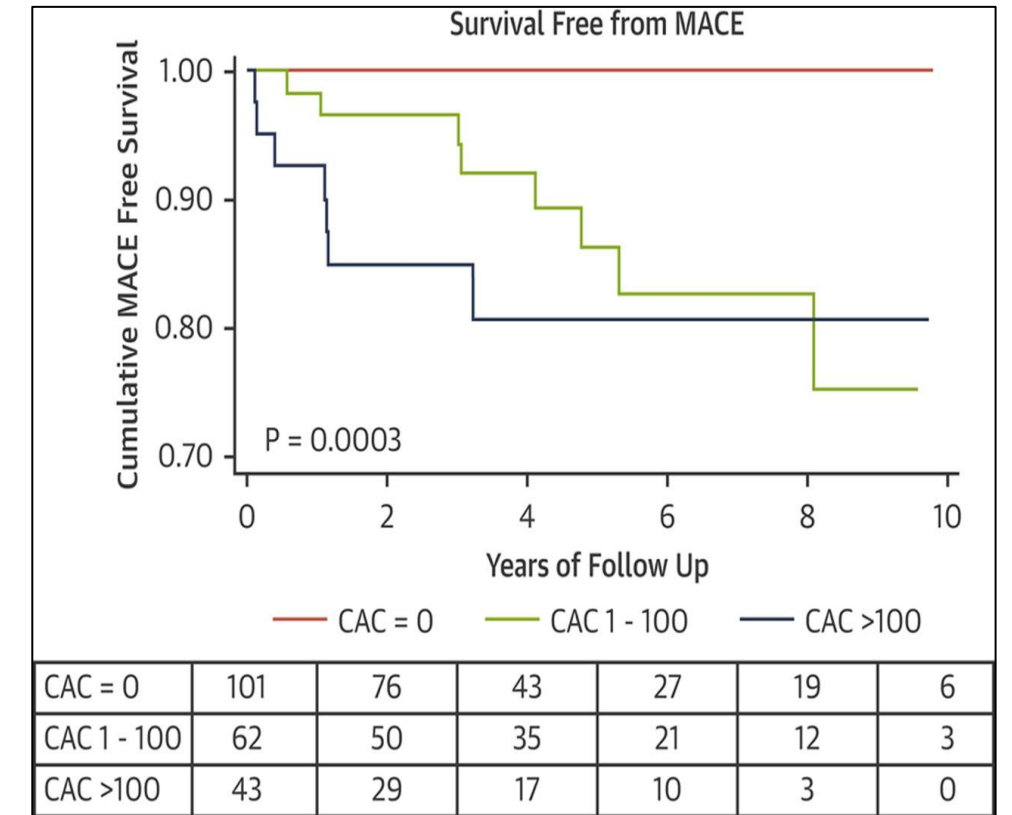
Absence of coronary artery calcification in middle-aged familial hypercholesterolemia patients without atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease

FIGURE 1 Forest Plot of Overall Pooled Prevalence of CAC = 0 in HeFH



CAC = coronary artery calcium; HeFH = heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia; LCL = lower confidence limit; POP = population; PREV = prevalence; UCL = upper confidence limit; WGHT = weight.

Coronary artery calcium and cardiovascular events in patients with familial hypercholesterolemia receiving standard lipid-lowering therapy



Using CAC to modify pretest probability: CAC as a gatekeeper to CTA/Stress testing

Pretest probability based on age, sex, and symptoms



Pretest probability based on age, sex, symptoms, and CAC score⁺



CAC
1-99

CAC
≥100-999

CAC
≥1,000

Case #5

- 47-year-old woman with familial hypercholesterolemia and chronic mild chest discomfort at rest and with light exertion
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- CAC vs Coronary CT Angiography

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Case #6

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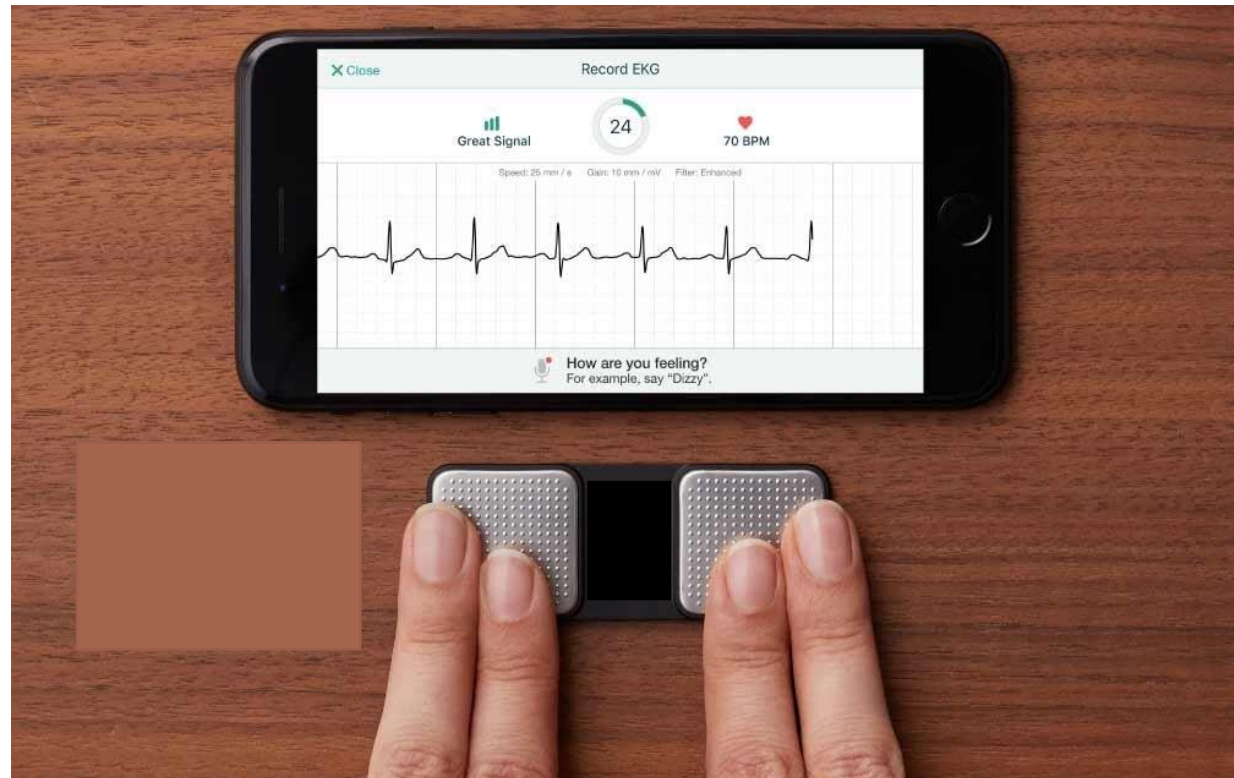
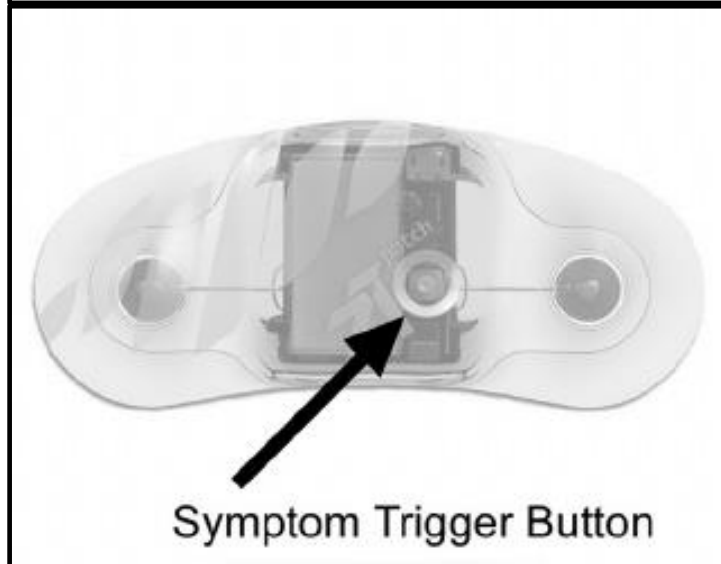
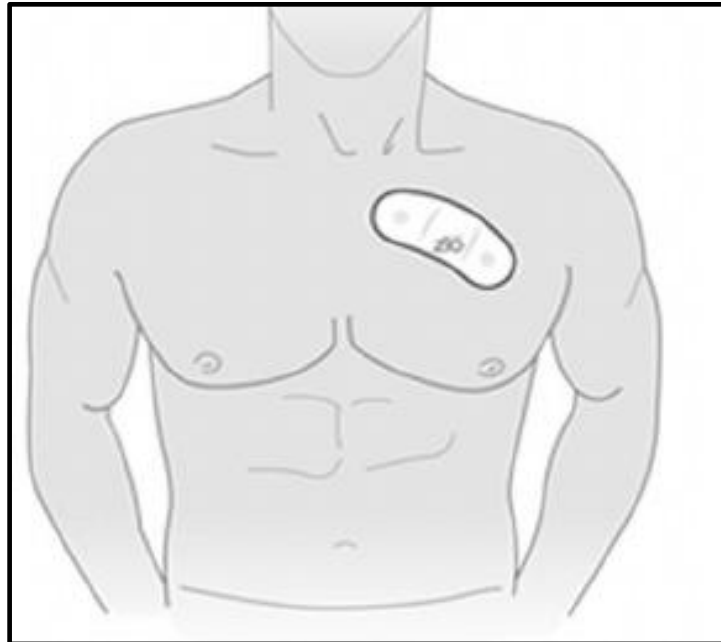
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Case Vignette #6

- 58-year-old woman with palpitations
- Occur weekly, last 30-60 minutes at a time, feel like very rapid regular heart “racing”
- Possible soft murmur at left upper sternal border

Portable EKG monitor



Case Vignette #6

- 58-year-old woman with palpitations
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- Ambulatory EKG Monitoring + Echocardiogram