

Biomarkers Working Group Fall Dinner Session

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- Review Biomarker Working Group (BWG) origins and mission statement
 - Review of BWG activities to date
 - Qualitative review and meta analysis for imaging in schizophrenia clinical trials focused on neuroimaging changes associated with drug treatment
 - Explore existing methodologies to increase efficiency in biomarker selection from Paul Song and Jerry Borak from Dr. Evidence
 - Review the complex interplay between neuroimaging and genetic biomarkers in schizophrenia by Dr. Steven Potkin
 - Discussion of next steps for BWG
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Origins of BWG

- As CNS drug development advances toward an increasingly personalized approach to treatment, the role of various biomarkers has become ever more important for informing clinicians about the relative safety, tolerability and efficacy of a range of CNS drugs and products.
- In addition, biomarkers can aid in the development of novel therapeutic agents, identify susceptible populations, provide endpoints for clinical trials and even serve as predictor variables.
- The growing interest in biomarkers raises many challenges for diverse stakeholders regarding both the structure and elements of clinical trials that are needed to establish valid scientific data in support of these biomarkers

Origins of BWG

- Unfortunately, CNS drug developers currently lack sufficient data and many of the tools necessary to successfully implement the use of biomarkers in the drug development process
- Given this, and the burden of development and qualification of biomarkers in terms of both time and cost, the formation of collaborative international groups to undertake these biomarker related challenges is essential.
- These challenges also provide a unique opportunity for meaningful industry-academia-government collaboration; and the Biomarkers Working Group (BWG) is being formed to help meet these challenges while ensuring that the interests and expertise of the International Society for CNS Clinical Trials and Methodology are both thoughtfully considered and communicated to the Society's members

- Developing Products for Personalized Medicine: Facing the Challenges of Biomarkers
- Chairs: Karl Broich, MD / Larry Alphas, MD, PhD 23 February 2011
- Outcome of Meeting
 - Deeper understanding of how biomarkers can be used in CNS development
 - Insights into the viewpoints of different stakeholders
 - Practical experience in addressing development of biomarkers
 - Innovative ideas that move this research forward in CNS field
 - A way forward towards CNS personalized medicine
 - Better more directed treatments for CNS patients
 - **Formation of ISCTM working group**

BWG Mission Statement

- Formally review and respond to current and future FDA or EMEA guidance on biomarkers and their opinion's regarding qualifying biomarkers.
 - For example, the EMEA recently released its first Qualification Opinion of Alzheimer's Disease Novel Methodologies/biomarkers for BMS-708163 for public opinion, and a formal review and response by the ISCTM BWG may be beneficial.
 - Deliverable: summary review supplied to appropriate agency and white paper or review article for publication if and when applicable

BWG Mission Statement

- As biomarkers are submitted and become approved by the FDA/EMEA the BWG will track and supply an inventory of all qualified biomarkers that can be applied across various CNS drug development programs as a reference for IND submission potentially eliminating the need for submitting extensive biomarker-supportive information with each IND.
 - Deliverable: a spreadsheet posted on ISCTM website tracking the progress of all biomarkers in the qualification process as well as their use in any regulatory submissions that is updated quarterly

BWG Mission Statement

- Review and critique the literature on the utility of various biomarkers across multiple pediatric and adult CNS indications, that may include schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, depression, Alzheimer's disease, MS, stroke, analgesia as well as other indications.
- This review will be spearheaded by those ISCTM members with relevant expertise bringing in outside expertise as needed, and result in formal ongoing presentations at one of the two ISCTM conferences each year.
- It is expected that there will be an in depth review of at least one indication or therapeutic area per year.
 - Deliverable: a one hour biomarkers session each year at an ISCTM conference and posting a white paper on the ISCTM website and/or a related publication.
 - Each deliverable will be overseen by the BWG chairs and lead by unique contributors.

Biomarkers in Clinical Trials

Oct 3, 2011 Fall Meeting Amelia Island FLA

Imaging for Schizophrenia: Issues in identification, categorization and evaluation

Workshop Chairs:

Nathan Chen and Susan De Santi

Biomarker Working Group Chairs:

Hank Riordan and Steve Potkin

- Introduction: History of the biomarkers working group (Larry Alphas)
- Goal & Objectives (Susan De Santi)
 - Imaging: practical – ahead in the literature, background of workshop committee
- Methodology of Approach to Assessing literature (Nathan Chen)
- Discussion of Imaging Technique
 - Volumetric MRI (Susan De Santi and Hank Riordan)
 - DTI (Christine Moore)
 - FMRI (Theo Van Erp)
 - FDG-PET (Dan van Kammen)
 - Receptor PET and SPECT (Nathan Chen and Dong-Jing Fu)
- Summary and next steps
- ISCTM website link for viewing articles:
 - http://isctm.org/Imaging_Biomarkers_in_Schizophrenia_Lit_Review

- Provided a summary of the *qualitative* grading data for imaging biomarkers (sMRI, fMRI, DTI, FDG/receptor PET & SPECT) suggesting highest rating for sMRI.
- Reviewed the *quantitative* data and meta analytic procedures for sMRI changes in various ROIs associated with treatment effects with largest ES for white matter decreases over time.
- Introduced the process and services offered by Dr. Evidence that could potentially be utilized by the BWG in future activities.
 - A formal presentation by Dr. Evidence on replication of meta analyses at the Fall 2012 meeting is anticipated.
- Explored the possibility of registering schizophrenia imaging biomarkers meta analysis on Cochrane Collaboration as well as approach to publication supporting the utility of key biomarkers (cognition, ERP, imaging etc.) in a proof of concept setting.

A Qualitative Evaluation on Evidence Level for Selective Imaging Biomarkers in Schizophrenia Clinical Trials

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ISCTM Working Group for Workshop of Imaging Biomarker in Schizophrenia**

Introduction:

The main objective of this qualitative evaluation was to provide a review of the utility of imaging biomarkers in schizophrenia as a measure of treatment response. Schizophrenia treatment studies that included the structural or functional imaging modalities, including vMRI, fMRI, FDG-PET, receptor occupancy PET & SPECT, and DTI were identified, categorized, and evaluated. We report on the results of this qualitative evaluation for these putative imaging biomarkers.

Methods:

- Human clinical trials, published after 1995, on the selected imaging biomarkers
- Databases searched included PsycInfo, MEDLINE, PubMed, and Google Scholar.
- Standardized information template* including type of imaging biomarker, trial design, intervention, patient population characteristics, and major efficacy findings for image region of interest (ROI) as well as tolerability assessment.
- Qualitative evidentiary standard evaluation using grading of evidence level outlined by Altar et al's (2008) (Table 1).
- Evidence matrix for 1) theory of biological plausibility, 2) interaction with pharmacologic target, 3) pharmacologic mechanistic response, 4) linkage to clinical outcome of a disease, 5) mathematical replication confirmation, 6) analytical validation, and 7) relative performance.

Results:

850 articles met the predetermined criteria. 61 articles were reviewed. Evidence grading varied with imaging biomarkers, ranging from A- for receptor occupancy measured by PET or SPECT to D- for DTI with various supporting reasons for grading. Summary of key findings and potential gaps are listed in table 2.

Table 2: Summary of key findings, gaps and evidence level for each modality of the selected imaging biomarkers

	Paper Identified	Abstract Reviewed	Articles on Target	Key Findings	Gaps	Evidence Level
vMRI	265	100	35	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volume loss of frontal grey matter in schizophrenia at various stage Loss of both grey and white matter in treatment by typical antipsychotics Loss of grey matter but increase of white matter in treatment by atypical antipsychotics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Large long-term study Consistent methods for imaging acquisition and analysis 	A-
fMRI	1881	15+	15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evidence for psychopharmacological effects on cerebral physiology (e.g., percent signal change in frontal lobe regions). Evidence for psychopharmacological effects on functional connectivity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Large long-term study PET-fMRI combination 	B
DTI	250	16	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No prospective study prospectively examined between group treatment effects Anisotropy in pts generally lower than healthy controls, lower still in pts with "poor outcomes" Anisotropy reduction in pts take place earlier in the course of illness, closer to the time of first psychotic episode and stabilize in its chronic phase, but inconsistent findings and confounded by age and illness duration. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prospective study with between group analysis 	D
FDG-PET	7	7	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resting rCBF was significantly lower in schizophrenia compared to normal controls Schizophrenia has significantly higher right and left caudate enhancement compared to normal controls Antipsychotics was associated with greater change toward normal values & away from the values found in the unmedicated comparison group for dorsolateral prefrontal cortex grey matter and white matter underlying medial prefrontal and cingulate cortex. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Correlation with treatment response Long-term prospective study 	C+ - B-
PET	184	40	22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Model to characterize dose-occupancy relationship Striatal D2/D3 occupancy predicted both improvement of positive symptoms and occurrence of EPS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Long-term prospective study with between group analysis 	B+ - A-
SPECT	50	25+	25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See PET Limited SHT2A blockade in antipsychotic action Confirm neuroreceptor dysfunction of D1, 5-HT2A, NMDA, GABA, mesoaccumbens receptors Regional Cerebral Blood Flow (rCBF) analysis suggested hypofrontality Evidence of differential rCBF related to antipsychotic efficacy and cognitive improvements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comparison with other platforms Long-term prospective study 	B* - A*

Table 1: Grading of evidence map** - a general description of different types of scientific evidence generally exists from other qualitative evidence synthesis groups (e.g. Cochrane Review, GRADE)

Grading system	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7
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Receptor Occupancy - PET*

Review process for PET D2/D3 occupancy is presented to illustrate the qualitative evaluation for each modality
 Database: MEDLINE, Google Scholar, PubMed
 Major Key Words: Receptor Occupancy, PET, Schizophrenia, Clinical Response
 • 104 papers identified
 • 40 abstracts selected and reviewed
 • 22 total "on target", including 1 meta-analysis and 2 review articles
 Required information collected according to the Standard Information Template*
 PET scan methodology:
 • Standardized scan protocol and sequence
 • Ligand: varied by antipsychotic or receptor type, for instance [11C]raclopride for D2/D3 receptor, [18F]zotepone for 5HT2A receptor
 • BL PET scans at pre-dose, follow-up scans at steady state of plasma concentration and performed 12-15 hours after last dose.

Patient population:
 • Drug free (naïve, wash-out) first-episode schizophrenia patients
 • Clinic setting or hospitalized patients
 • Efficacy measured by PANSS and CGI, EPS measured by various scales, hyperprolactinemia defined by plasma level.

- Key Findings:
- Established model to characterize relationship between plasma concentration/dose and striatal D2/D3 receptor occupancy
 - Striatal D2 receptor occupancy related to both efficacy and EPS, while no clear correlation of cortical D2/D3 occupancy with efficacy
 - Striatal receptor occupancy predicted clinical improvement of antipsychotic treatment in schizophrenia
 - 80-70% of striatal D2 occupancy is threshold of clinical response
 - Quantitative model was established to characterize average striatal D2 occupancy and symptom improvement measured by PANSS
 - Significant correlation between PANSS positive symptom improvement and striatal D2 occupancy
 - Linear correlation between clinically effective dose and dose inducing maximal striatal D2/D3 receptor occupancy
 - No study prospectively examined between group treatment effects

Evidence Map:

- Good model to demonstrate drug's CNS penetration and action on targeted receptor
 - Model to characterize dose-striatal D2/D3 relationship is well established and replicated in various drugs of both 1st or 2nd generation antipsychotics.
 - Striatal receptor occupancy may predict clinical improvement of antipsychotic treatment, however, no established algorithm to explain the relationship or to apply this relationship to other data set prospectively.
 - Evidence level was determined as B+ - A-
- Gap: need long-term prospective studies with between group analysis

Conclusion:

- Different imaging biomarker modalities are required at the various phases of clinical development of schizophrenia treatment.
- Matching the imaging modality to the research question should result in better utilization of imaging biomarkers in clinical research that are more sensitive to treatment effects in a clinical trial setting.
- Consistent method for imaging acquisition and analysis in each imaging modality is warranted

Reference:

Altar CA, Amikay D, Bourne D, et al (2008) A prototypical process for creating evidentiary standards for biomarkers and diagnostics. Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics, 83 (2): 368-371

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*Addendum provided at presentation, including 1) Standard Information Template and 2) List of reviewed articles related to PET

Summary Qualitative Grading of Evidence

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Meta-Analysis of Structural Magnetic Resonance Imaging (sMRI) Biomarkers In Schizophrenia Medication Trials

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Abstract

Background: In order to determine the quality of evidence to support the application of imaging biomarkers in clinical trials of schizophrenia relevant sMRI literature was reviewed. A prior qualitative review following criteria by Altar et al (2008) suggested an evidence rating of "A-B+" for sMRI in relation to medication effects. In order to provide a more quantitative evaluation a meta-analysis was undertaken to examine approved antipsychotic medication trials with at least one pre and post sMRI assessment.

Methods: A structured search of the literature utilizing PsycInfo, MEDLINE, PubMed, and Google Scholar databases yielded 265 papers for initial appraisal. Of these 100 abstracts were selected for more in depth review and of these 35 were reviewed more thoroughly. Careful examination revealed that ten publications were suitable for meta-analytic review containing adequate data to calculate effect sizes (ESs). Brain regions examined included whole brain, lobar volumes, basal ganglia and ventricular volumes, as well as grey and white matter. Subject numbers for individual studies ranged from 10 to 73 with 145 schizophrenic subjects included overall. To control for differences in sample size, studies were weighted according to their inverse variance estimates. Weighted ESs (Hedges g) were calculated for change from baseline for each brain region along with 95% confidence intervals.

Results: Analysis of intervention effects (d) on brain volume (across different types medication) revealed a moderate but non-significant overall effect size ($g=0.452$, 95% CI= -0.56 , 0.17). An analysis of homogeneity including all studies revealed no significant variance among effect sizes that would support examining the effects of moderator variables ($Q_{[133]}=133.299$ 12, $p<0.45$). Significant decreases associated with treatment were noted for a total white matter volume that was independent of study duration. This decrease was associated with typical but not atypical antipsychotic medications as a class and with two individual medications. An increase in grey matter was observed with one typical antipsychotic.

Discussion: While these initial results do not fully support the qualitative evidence grading they do suggest that it is possible to more confidently select specific brain regions that are more likely to be sensitive to antipsychotic medication effects. Further work is needed relating these ESs to changes in schizophrenia symptoms and outcomes.

Methods

•Studies were identified through a search of the MEDLINE, PsycINFO, PubMed and Google Scholar databases. Key words: brain volume, MRI, Schizophrenia, treatment response, efficacy, English, human

•Approximately 265 papers identified; abstracts reviewed 100 abstracts selected and reviewed. 35 papers were reviewed for this presentation including 1 meta-analysis and 4 review articles.

Methods (cont.)

Of these 10 yielded sufficient data on means and variance from which reliable ESs could be generated

•Information collected included:

- Scan protocols and sequences
T1 weighted SPGR (1.5T, 3T), Inversion Recovery, dual spin echo (CPMG)
- Patient population
Drug naïve and drug treated first-episode schizophrenics (FES) chronic schizophrenics
- Treatments: Both typical and atypical antipsychotics
- Study designs
Cross sectional comparisons
Longitudinal studies: 4 weeks to 104 weeks

•Overall, 12 ROIs were identified including whole brain, total grey matter, total white matter, ventricular size, various cortical lobes and subcortical structures. Number of observations for each ROI ranged from a low of 2 to a high of 80 (for grey matter). Whenever possible, specific regions of interest were grouped into structural areas such as basal ganglia (caudate nucleus, putamen, nucleus, accumbens).

•Analyses were conducted using Comprehensive Meta-Analysis, Version 2.0. In order to standardize medication effects a Hedge's g was utilized by calculating the mean difference in pre/post brain volume after pharmacologic treatment in schizophrenic patients and dividing this value by the pooled standard deviation with an adjustment for small sample bias.

•In order to assess homogeneity across studies a Cochran Q-statistic was utilized. A random effects model was used to calculate effect sizes if the Q-statistic revealed significant within-group heterogeneity. In cases where significant heterogeneity was not indicated, fixed effects models were used.

Results

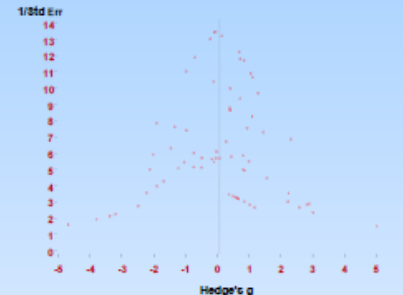
•Analysis of intervention effects (g) on brain volume (across different types of medication) revealed a moderate overall effect size ($g=0.45197$, 95% CI= -0.56 , 0.17) according to Cohen criteria. Since 0 is included in the confidence interval it is not possible to conclude that the effect size is non-zero.

•An analysis of homogeneity including all studies revealed non-significant variance among study effect sizes that do not support examining the effects of moderator variables nor use of a random effects model ($Q_{[133]}=133.299$ 12, $p<0.45$).

Results (cont.)

•No evidence of publication bias was observed, as indicated by a symmetric funnel plot and confirmed by non-significant Begg and Egger tests ($p>0.05$).

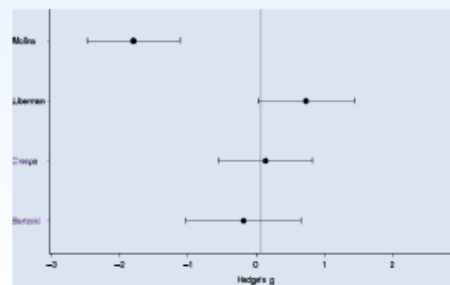
Funnel Plot for Publication Bias



•Of the 12 ROIs only the total white matter effect yielded a significant effect size ($g = -.57$, CI -1.1 to $-.01$) related to decrease white matter volume associated with overall treatment.

•ESs grew in response to study duration with the largest ES seen for studies >24 weeks duration (-0.56 ; -0.76 ; -0.94 for studies >4, 12 and 24 weeks, respectively). Of note, the overall ES is driven by the large delta seen in a single study as seen in the below forest plot.

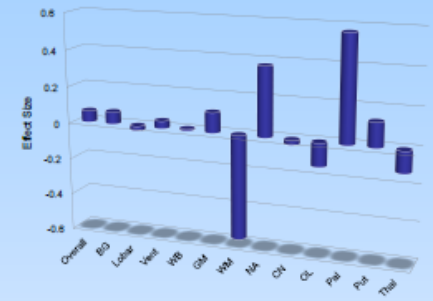
Forest Plot for White Matter ES



•Following is a graphic displaying the ESs associated with overall treatment for each brain region. Of note was an increase in volumes for the nucleus accumbens and the globus pallidus.

Results (cont.)

ES for Various Brain Volumes



Overall Effects suggested a decrease in overall white matter volume that was associated with treatment independent of study duration and type of drug. This ES grew with study duration being greatest for 24 week studies.

Class of Drug : As a class typical antipsychotic medications were associated with decreases in white matter ($g=-1.34$) whereas no reliable changes were noted for atypical antipsychotics as a class ($g=-0.35$) as the CIs crossed zero.

Individual Drugs: Risperidone was associated with an overall decrease in white matter ($g = -0.68$) but an increase in grey matter. ($g=0.24$) Clozaril showed a similar pattern with larger ESs for both white matter. ($g=-3.26$) and grey matter ($g=1.99$).

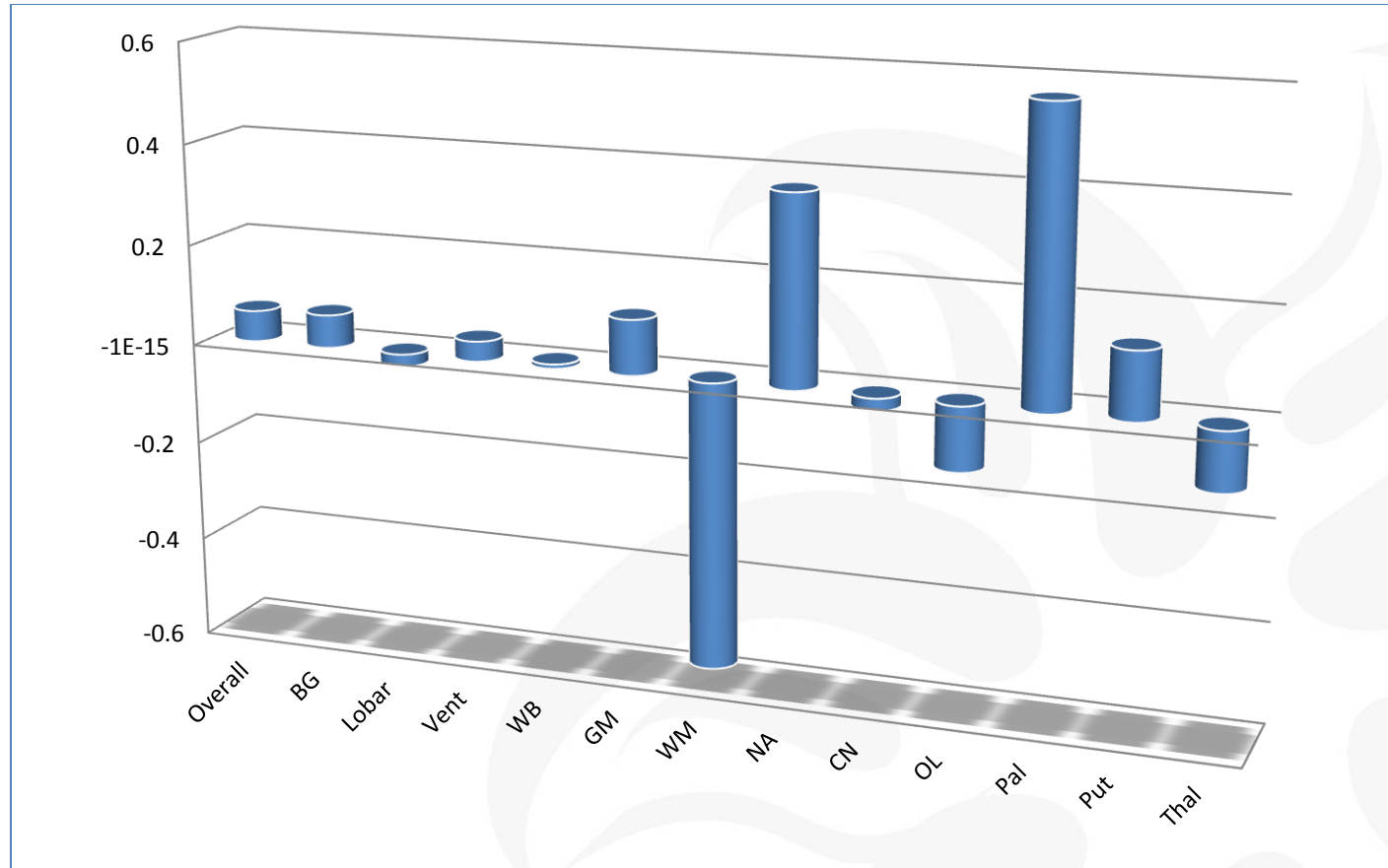
Conclusions

•Notwithstanding the possible backdrop of progressive brain deterioration and the limited data available to date, this preliminary meta analysis is amongst the first to report significant changes in brain volumes (white and grey matter total) associated with antipsychotic medication treatment.

•The changes in WM over time are not unexpected but it is unclear if medication exacerbates these changes. Longitudinal Diffusion Tensor Imaging (DTI) studies may be helpful in elucidating this. The finding of increased grey matter volumes with certain drugs was somewhat surprising.

•Although these ESs do not fully support the qualitative grading of evidence for sMRI it is clear that specific brain based biomarkers may have some utility in future efficacy and safety trials.

Summary sMRI Meta Analysis



Doctor Evidence



- Founded in 2002
 - Mission is to improve clinical outcomes by finding, delivering, and making relevant and readable medical evidence that enables clinicians to support informed decisions
 - Clients include leading healthcare providers, payers, academic institutions & manufacturers
 - Distinctive competencies are integrating leading EBM methodologies into one unified technology platform
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Doctor Evidence Process

Expert Librarians Search
and Screen for Relevant
Clinical Literature

**Protocol
Development**

- PICO Methodology
- Develop Inclusion/Exclusion Criteria

**Published
Clinical
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Storage and Categorization

- Central Content Repository
- Advanced Search Functionality

**Library
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- Evidence literature reviews
- QUOROM chart and PICO study selection transparency
- Highly indexed studies to search protocol



Digital Extraction and Quality Control

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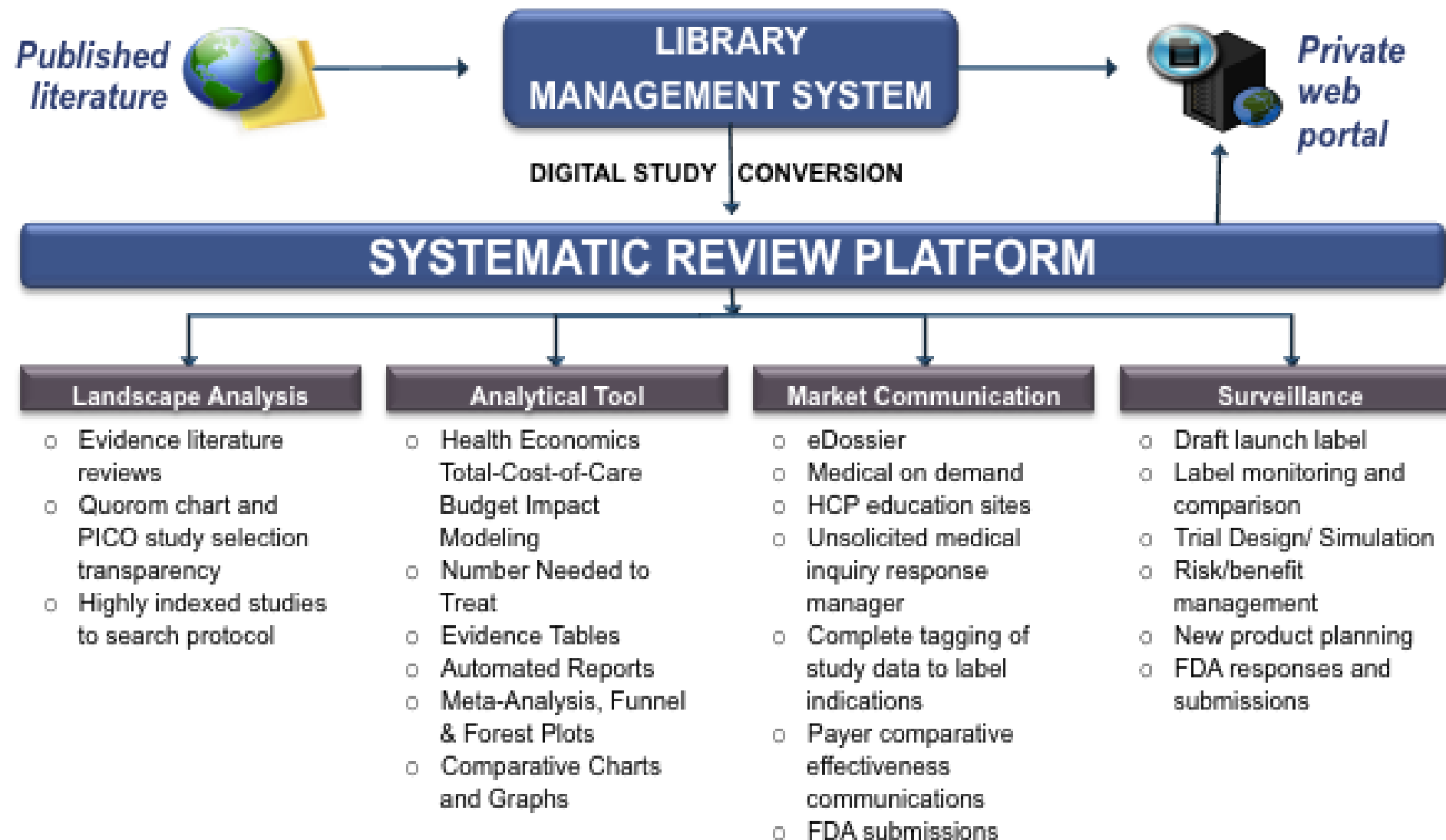
- Data mining features
- Analysis of characteristics and outcomes
- Meta-analysis and evidence table outputs

Research & Development

Analytical Tools

Market Communication

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Portal and Database Protocol

1. What is/are the framed questions you would like to answer?

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Note: As an adjunct to search and to help identify relevant articles, please provide Doctor Evidence with a list of references of clinical studies that should be reviewed during the database creation process.

Sample Framed Question

“What is the evidence regarding a sirolimus eluting stent compared with paclitaxel eluting stents or with bare metal stents in people with acute ST elevation myocardial infarction?”

2. What is the PICO, where P = patient population, I = intervention, C = comparison group, O = outcomes? *Note whether outcomes are “and/or”.*

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96 References 1102 Rejected References

Acronym	Authors	Reference Title	Journal	Publication Type	Publication Date	Your Rating	Full Text	Abstract	Study Design
1	Lisbona MP, Ma...	Rapid reduction in tenosynovitis			2010 Jun	Not Rated			RCT
2	Mease P, Geno...	Abatacept in the treatment of p			2010 Dec 2	Not Rated			RCT
3	JESMR Kameda H, Ueki ...	Etanercept (ETN) with methot			2010 Dec	Not Rated			RCT
4	Atzeni F, Bocca...	Etanercept plus ciclosporin ver			2010 Aug	Not Rated			RCT
5	Atteno M, Pelus...	Comparison of effectiveness a			2010 Apr	Not Rated			RCT
6	GUEPARD Soubrier M, Pue...	Evaluation of two strategies (intra-articular monotherapy vs no combination with adjuvant) in management of ...			2009 Nov	Not Rated			RCT
7	ARRIVE Schiff M, Pritch...	The 6-month safety and efficacy of abatacept in patients with rheumatoid arthritis who underwent a washout after a...	Annals of the rh...	Clinical Trial	2009 Nov	Not Rated			RCT
8	Du Pan SM, Deh...	Comparison of drug retention rates and causes of drug discontinuation between anti-tumor necrosis factor							
9	FAST4WARD Fleischmann R, ...	Efficacy and safety of certolizumab pegol monotherapy every 4 weeks in patients with rheumatoid arthritis							
10	Smolen JS, Han ...	Radiographic changes in rheumatoid arthritis patients attaining different disease activity states with methotr							
11	GO-FORWARD Keystone EC, G...	Golimumab, a human antibody to tumour necrosis factor (alpha) given by monthly subcutaneous injections, i							
12	van der Kooij S...	Drug-free remission, functioning and radiographic damage after 4 years of response-driven treatment in pat							
13	RAPID II Smolen J, Land...	Efficacy and safety of certolizumab pegol plus methotrexate in active rheumatoid arthritis: the RAPID 2 study							
14	GO-AFTER Smolen JS, Kay ...	Golimumab in patients with active rheumatoid arthritis after treatment with tumour necrosis factor alpha inh							
15	BeST van der Kooij S...	Patient-reported outcomes in a randomized trial comparing four different treatment strategies in recent-onse							
16	REFLEX Keystone F, Em...	Abatacept inhibits structural joint damage in patients with rheumatoid arthritis with an inadequate response to							
17	AGREE V...	Patients with early rheumatoid arthritis and p							
18	Swefot V...	d hydroxychloroquine to methotrexate in pa							
19	V...	Randomised, double blind study failed to conf							
20	Emery P, Fleisc...	Golimumab, a human anti-tumor necrosis factor alpha monoclonal antibody, injected subcutaneously every f							
21	Kavanaugh A, ...	Golimumab, a new human tumor necrosis factor alpha antibody, administered every four weeks as a subcu							
22	Chen DY, Chau...	of human anti-TNF antibody adalimumab in							

Reference Detail Linked Studies Notes

Date Added	Added By	Note
05/13/2011	Chan	Wrong Intervention = combined IV esmolol (beta-blocker) and PDE III inhibitor

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Ability to search references by key terms, study design, etc.

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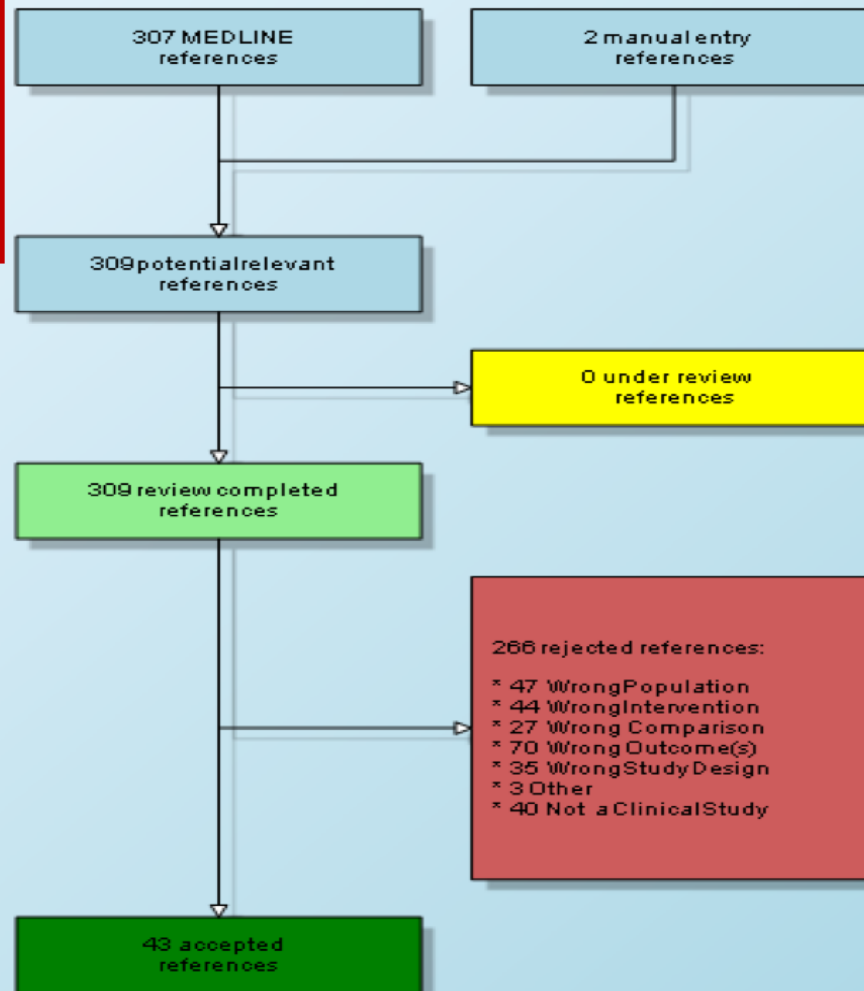
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**QUOROM Flow Diagrams
are automated within the
Library Management
System**

QUOROM Diagram



Data Extraction Template

X	Blood Pressure, Diastolic :	84	#	mmHg	11	sd	cv	
X	Blood Pressure, Systolic :	148	#	mmHg	22	sd	cv	
X	Cholesterol, Total :	238.7	#		41.3	sd	cv	
X	Diabetes Mellitus :	45	=	2.7	%			
X	Diuretics, History of :	260	=	15.5	%			
X	Peripheral Arterial Disease, History of :	0	=	0	%			
X	Smoker, Current :	547	=	32.7	%			
X	Smoker, History of :	542	=	32.4	%			
X	Smoker, Non :	586	=	35	%			
X	Age <= 75 :	1675	=	100	%			
X	Stroke, History of :	0	=	0	%			
X	Age >= 50 :	1675	=	100	%			
X	Bleeding, Non-Fatal, Any (PPY) OR Bleeding, Fatal (PPY) :	2.5	=			sd	cv	PO: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?
X	Bleeding, Non-Fatal, Any, 11 years OR Bleeding, Fatal, Any, 11 years :	34	=	2	%			PO: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?
X	Bleeding, Stroke, Non-Fatal, 11 years :	2	=	0.1	%			PO: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?
X	Cardiovascular Event, Ischemic, Non-Fatal, Stroke, 11 years :	28	=	1.7	%			PO: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?
X	Mortality, All-Cause, 11 years :	176	=	10.5	%			PO: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?
X	Mortality, Bleeding, Stroke, 11 years :	3	=	0.2	%			PO: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?
X	Mortality, Cardiovascular, Ischemic, 11 years :	2	=	0.1	%			PO: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?
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X	Stroke, Non-Fatal, 11 years :	37	=	2.2	%			PO: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?
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X	Bleeding, Stroke, Non-Fatal (#) :	2	=					PO: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?
X	Bleeding, Non-Fatal, Any (#) OR Bleeding, Fatal, Any (#) :	39	=					PO: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?
X	Bleeding, Non-Fatal, Gastrointestinal, Fatal (#) :		=					PO: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?

	Blood Pressure, Diastolic :	84	#	mmHg	11	sd	cv	
	Blood Pressure, Systolic :	147	#	mmHg	22	sd	cv	
	Cholesterol, Total :	238.2	#		42.4	sd	cv	
	Diabetes Mellitus :	43	=	2.6	%			
	Diuretics, History of :	251	=	15	%			
	Peripheral Arterial Disease, History of :	0	=	0	%			
	Smoker, Current :	538	=	32.1	%			
	Smoker, History of :	564	=					
	Smoker, Non :	573	=					
	Age <= 75 :	1675	=					
	Stroke, History of :	0	=					
	Age >= 50 :	1675	=					
	Bleeding, Non-Fatal, Any (PPY) OR Bleeding, Fatal (PPY) :	1.5	=					PO: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?
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	Bleeding, Stroke, Non-Fatal, 11 years :	1	=	0.1	%			* SS: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?
	Cardiovascular Event, Ischemic, Non-Fatal, Stroke, 11 years :	30	=	1.8	%			* SS: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?
	Mortality, All-Cause, 11 years :	186	=	11.1	%			* SS: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?
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	Stroke, Non-Fatal, 11 years :	38	=	2.3	%			* SS: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?
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	Bleeding, Stroke, Non-Fatal (#) :	1	=					* SS: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?
	Bleeding, Non-Fatal, Any (#) OR Bleeding, Fatal, Any (#) :	32	=					* SS: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?
	Bleeding, Non-Fatal, Gastrointestinal, Fatal (#) :		=					* SS: <input type="radio"/> Y <input checked="" type="radio"/> N <input type="radio"/> ?

Robust quality control

Discrepancies with other extractor's entries are flagged in red

Bleeding, Stroke, Non-Fatal, 11 years :

PO: Y N ?

* SS: Y N ?

Mortality, Bleeding, Stroke (#) :

* SS: Y N ?

Data Extraction Adjudication

GROUP: Placebo OUTCOME: Mortality, Cardiovascular, Ischemic, 11 years Is Primary Outcome	+ note (1)	E. Kim	*N	<--Use Value
		M. Fam	Y	<--Use Value
		Final	*N	
GROUP: Placebo OUTCOME: Cardiovascular Event, Ischemic, Non-Fatal, Stroke, 11 years Is Primary Outcome	+ note (1)	E. Kim	*N	<--Use Value
		M. Fam	Y	<--Use Value
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GROUP: Placebo OUTCOME: Stroke, Fatal, 11 years Is Primary Outcome	+ note (1)	E. Kim	*N	<--Use Value
		M. Fam	Y	<--Use Value
		Final	*N	
GROUP: Placebo OUTCOME: Stroke, Fatal, 11 years SS	+ note (1)	E. Kim	N	<--Use Value
		M. Fam	*?	<--Use Value
		Final	*?	
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		Final	*?	
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GROUP: Placebo OUTCOME: Bleeding, Non-Fatal, Any, 11 years OUTCOME: Bleeding, Fatal, Any, 11 years AM_CustomDefinition	+ note (1)	E. Kim		<--Use Value
		M. Fam		<--Use Value
		Final		

Adjudication between discrepant extractions is included in the final template

*The risk of an initial event of major hemorrhage was 71% higher in the aspirin group as compared to placebo. Hazard ratio = (# with outcome)/(person time at risk).

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Effects of atorvastatin on early recurrent ischemic events in acute coronary syndromes: the MIRACL study: a randomized controlled trial.
JAMA 2001 Apr 4;285(13):1711-8.

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**Data Extraction
Into Reusable Database:
User View**

Study Profile

Design of Study:
Year of Study:
Follow Up:
Number of Participants: 3086
[+ Show primary objective](#)

Participant Characteristics	Atorvastatin	Placebo
Dosage:	80mg	n/a
Fix or Flex:	FIXED	
Frequency:	qd	qd
Route:	Oral	Oral
Number of Participants:	1538	1548
Number of Finished:	1355	1384
Avg. Age:	65 yrs	65 yrs
Male:	992 (64.5%)	1020 (65.9%)
Female:	546 (35.5%)	528 (34.1%)

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Evidence Rating

★★★★☆
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


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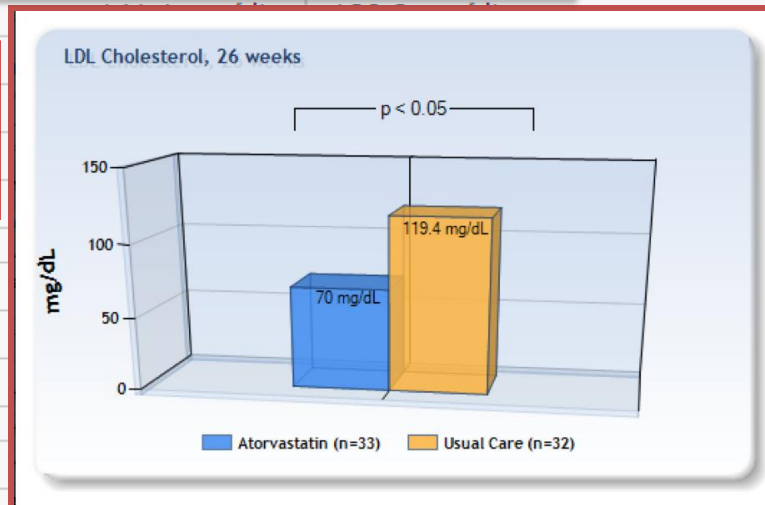
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Detailed study-specific descriptions of characteristics and outcomes are exposed by hovering

Study Outcomes	Atorvastatin	Placebo	Effect	SS?	Chart
Recurrent/Symptomatic Angina, 16 weeks The number of participants who experienced a recurrent and symptomatic angina during 16 weeks of follow-up. This diagnosis required both exacerbation of the participant's usual symptoms and new objective evidence of ischemia (electrocardiographic, echocardiographic, or scintigraphic) with a definite change from a comparison study performed after the index (inclusion) ischemic event.	10 (8.4%)	16 (6.8%)	0.74 RR	YES	
Worsening Angina, 16 weeks	16 (6.8%)	16 (6.8%)	0.86 RR	NO	
Cardio Revascularization	16 (6.8%)	16 (6.8%)	0.82 RR	NO	

Study Outcomes	Swap Groups	Atorvastatin	Usual Care	Effect	SS?	Chart
- Clinical Outcomes						
Recurrent Angina, 26 weeks		8 (24.2%)	8 (25%)		NA	
Target Vessel-Related Myocardial Infarction, 26 weeks		0 (0%)	0 (0%)		NA	
- Diagnostics (Surrogates)						
✓ % Change in Plaque Volume, 26 weeks		-13.1 %	8.7 %		YES	
Apolipoprotein A1, 26 weeks		126.4 mg/dL	125.1 mg/dL		NO	
Apolipoprotein B, 26 weeks		66.1 mg/dL	92.6 mg/dL		YES	
Apolipoprotein E, 26 weeks		3.31 mg/dL	4.34 mg/dL		YES	
C-Reactive Protein, 26 weeks		0.09 mg/dL	0.14 mg/dL		NA	
HDL Cholesterol, 26 weeks		46.6 mg/dL	47.4 mg/dL		NO	
LDL Cholesterol, 26 weeks		70 mg/dL	119.4 mg/dL		YES	
Total Cholesterol, 26 weeks					YES	
Lipoprotein (a), 26 weeks					NO	
Plaque Volume, 26 weeks					NO	
Change in Plaque Volume, 26 weeks					YES	
Triglycerides, 26 weeks					NO	
- Mortality						
All-Cause Mortality, 26 weeks					NA	
Cardiac Mortality, 26 weeks					NA	
Non-Cardiac Mortality, 26 weeks					NA	
- Medical Procedures						
Coronary Revascularization, 26 weeks					NO	

Graphic display of study outcomes and statistical significance



Select Category: Clinical Outcomes

Select Outcome: Myocardial Infarction

*Select Type: No Preference

**Select Follow-up: 4 weeks to 47 months

Choose Outcome Category, Outcome with Sub-type, and Follow-up period

Statins Effectiveness:

Although the result was not considered statistically significant ($p > 0.05$), the evidence (10 studies, 9218 participants) shows that Myocardial Infarction, 4 weeks to 47 months was 6% less likely in those that used Statins compared with those who were using Usual Care.

View Studies

View Meta-Analysis

Preliminary evidence summary statement

*When no preference is selected, the meta routine will use the selected outcome listed above or the the first outcome in the sorted dropdown list as reported in the study.

**The latest follow-up reported in the study within the range is selected when multiple endpoints exist within a single study.

Current User Filters:
None

Filter studies by
Baseline Characteristics for
Subgroup & Sensitivity Analyses

Meta-Analysis Results

Myocardial Infarction, 4 weeks to 47 months

Intervention vs. Comparator

	Study	Outcome	I n/N	C n/N	RR (95% CI)	Random IV	Risk of Bias
<input type="checkbox"/>	Okazaki 2004	Myocardial Infarction, Target Vessel-Related, 26 weeks	0/33 (0%)	0/32			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Schwartz 2001	Myocardial Infarction, Any, 16 weeks	101/1538 (6.6%)				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Liem 2002	Myocardial Infarction, Recurrent, 1 year	21/265 (7.9%)				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Serruys 2002	Myocardial Infarction, Non-Fatal, 47 months	30/844 (3.6%)	38/833 (4.6%)	RR 0.78 (0.49 to 1.25)	15.13	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Den 2001	Myocardial Infarction, Any, 13 weeks	2/50 (4%)	1/49 (2%)	RR 1.96 (0.18 to 20.92)	0.59	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Thompson 2004	Myocardial Infarction, Non-Fatal, 4 weeks	52/1710 (3%)	48/1698 (2.8%)	RR 1.08		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dupuis 1999	Myocardial Infarction, Non-Q Wave, 6 weeks	0.5/29 (1.7%)	1.5/157 (0.9%)	RR 0.55 (0.02 to 11.2)	0.12	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kayikcioglu 2002	Myocardial Infarction, Recurrent, 26 weeks	1/40 (2.5%)	3/33 (9.1%)	RR 0.27 (0.01 to 5.2)	0.03	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kesteloot 1997	Myocardial Infarction, Any, 13 weeks	2/36 (5.6%)	3/33 (9.1%)	RR 0.61 (0.11 to 3.43)	1.12	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Arntz 2000	Myocardial Infarction, Non-Fatal, 2 y	0.5/71 (0.7%)	1.5/57 (2.6%)	RR 0.27 (0.01 to 5.2)	0.33	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Colivicchi 2002	Myocardial Infarction, Fatal, 1 y	0.5/100 (0.5%)	1.5/100 (1.5%)	RR 0.33 (0.01 to 6.6)	0.52	
	RECALCULATE	Myocardial Infarction, 4 weeks to 47 months	213/4623 (4.6%)	228/4599 (5%)	RR 0.94 (0.78 to 1.12)	100%	

Detailed study- and outcome-specific descriptions of Cochrane Risk of Bias are exposed by hovering

BLINDING
Open-label design so patients and investigators not blinded to assignment. However, primary outcome analysis was performed by an independent investigator blinded to the patient groups and angiographic results but unclear as to secondary outcome analysis.

Select and de-select studies and recalculate for sensitivity analyses

Ability to add custom data to current meta-analysis

Add Custom Data

Study Name (Author/Year)

Outcome

Intervention Comparator

Events

Participants

Cancel Submit

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Custom Meta Analysis

Custom Meta Analysis

Number of Studies: ▼

Outcome:

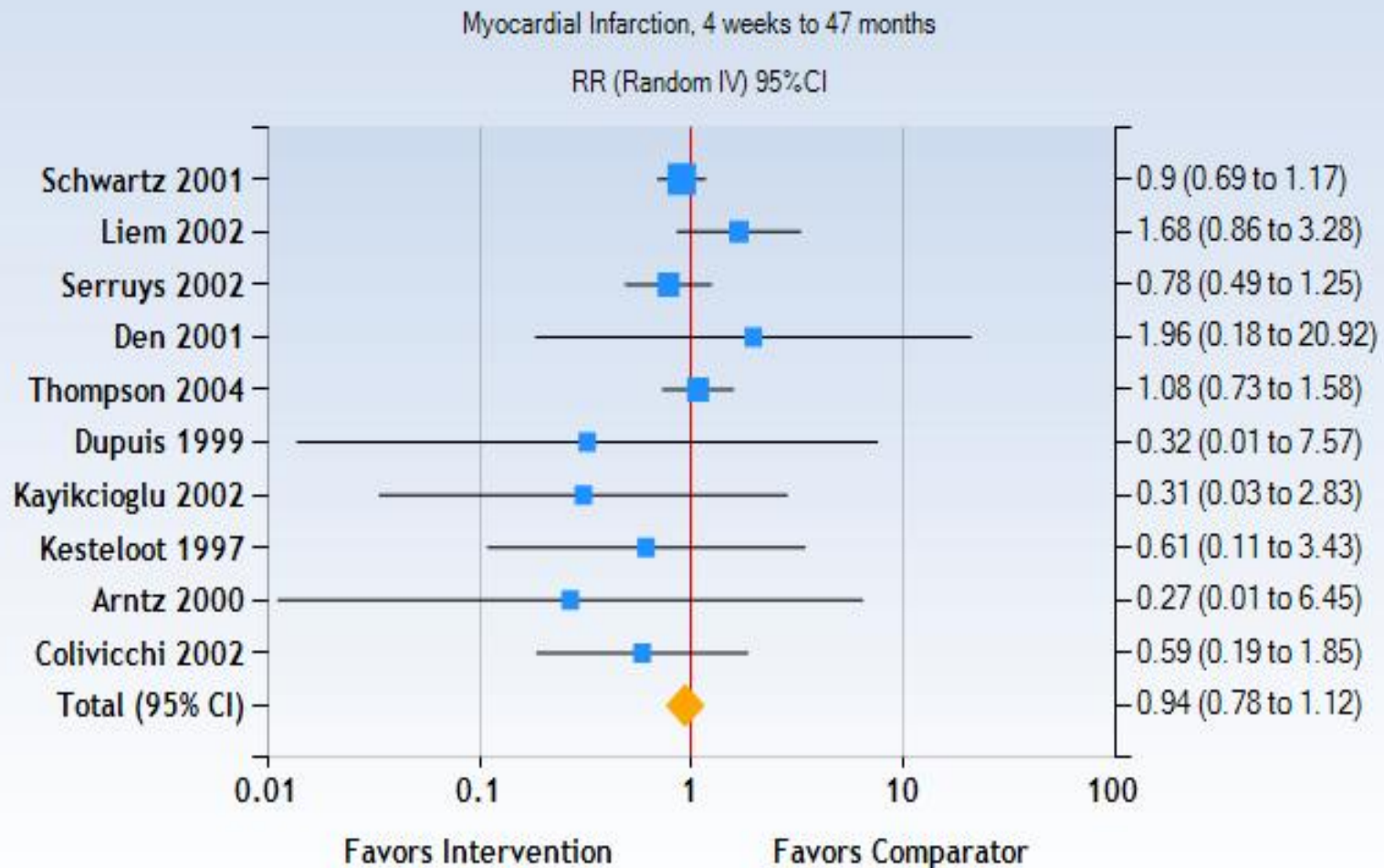
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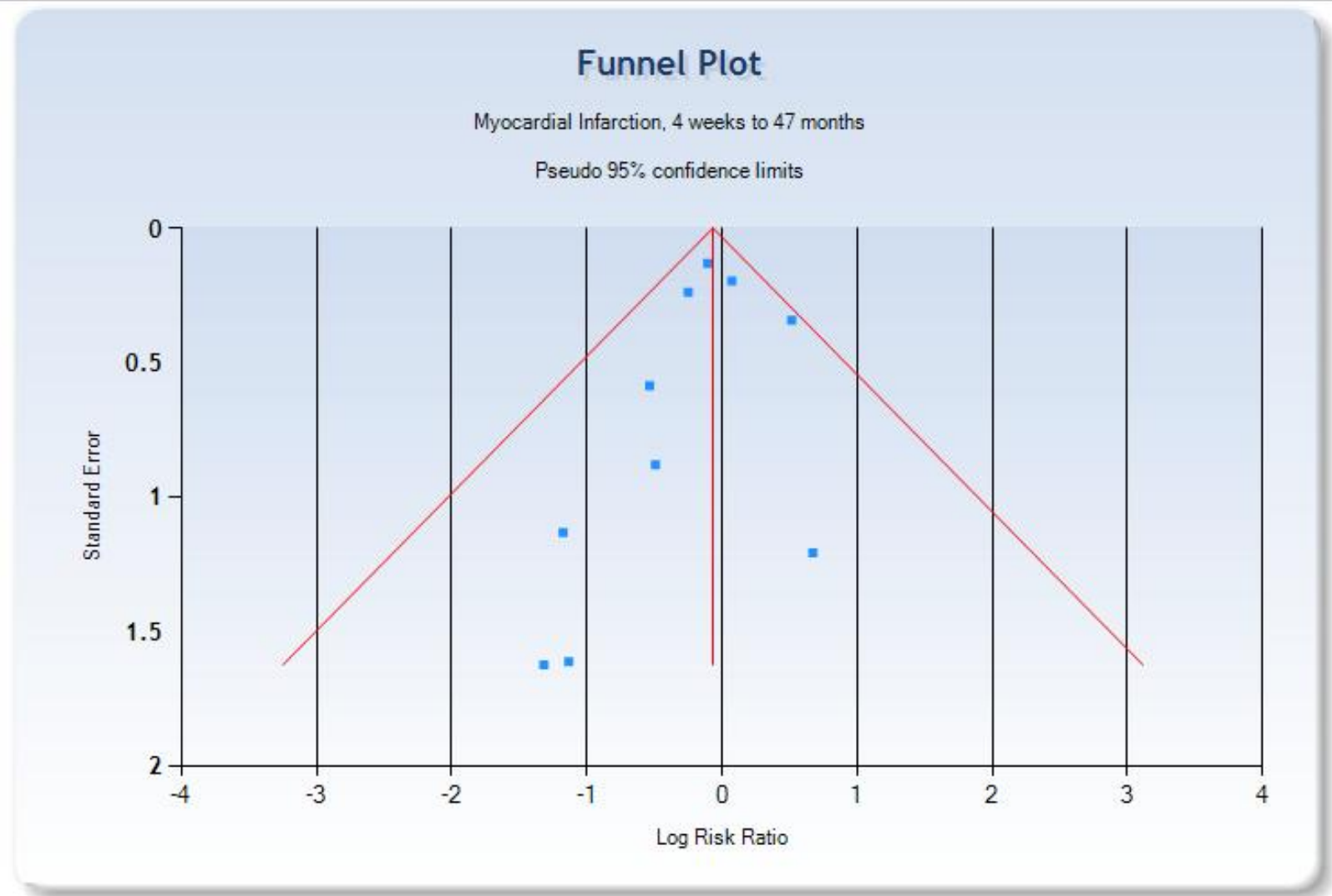
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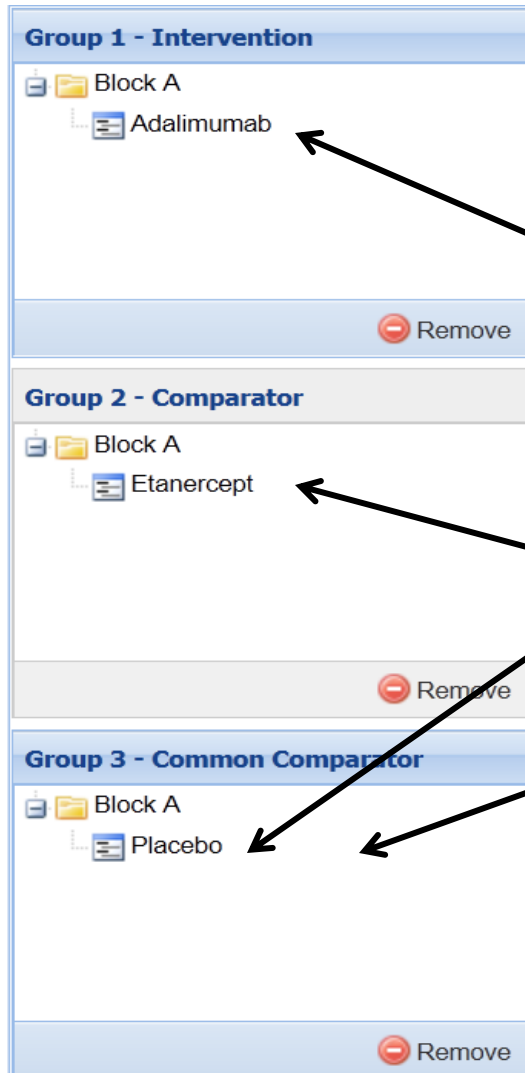
**Create a custom meta-analysis
with hypothetical data**

**Recreate published meta-analyses with
additional data or sensitivity analyses**





Indirect Meta Analysis



A vs. C

Indirectly compare A vs. B
(Adalimumab vs. Etanercept)

B vs. C

Indirect Meta Analysis: Common Comparison

Intervention - A: Adalimumab
 Comparator - B: Etanercept
 Common Comparator - C: Placebo

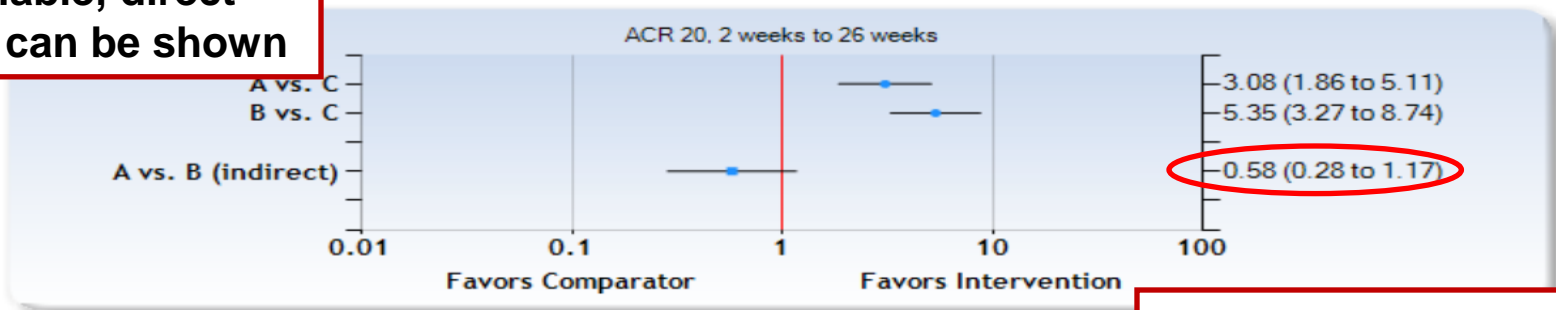
Select Category: Responders

Select Outcome: ACR 20

**Select Follow-up: 2 weeks to 26 weeks

ACR 20, 2 weeks to 26 weeks				
Comparison	Number of Trials	Risk Ratio (95% CI)	I ² %	
A vs. C	5	3.0811 (1.8566 - 5.1133)	79%	view
B vs. C	2	5.3461 (3.2701 - 8.7399)	0%	view
A vs. B (direct)	0	0 (0 - 0)	N/A	view
A vs. B (indirect)	5/2	0.5763 (0.2845 - 1.1674)		

If available, direct analysis can be shown



Indirect Relative Risk

Meta Analysis Statistical Settings

General					
Number of studies: 10					
Number of participants: 9218					
Results					
Model	Risk Ratio	99% CI	z	p-value	
Fixed Effects _{MH}	0.9346	0.7365 to 1.1859	0.733	0.4636	
Fixed Effects _{IV}	0.9353	0.7357 to 1.1892	0.7183	0.4726	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Random Effects _{IV}	0.9353	0.7357 to 1.1892	0.7183	0.4726	
Quantifying Heterogeneity					
tau ² : 0		H: 0.9018		I ² : 0%	
Test of Heterogeneity					
Q _{IV} : 7.3189		DF: 9		p: 0.604	

Settings	
Alpha:	0.01
Design:	Any Design
Blinding:	Any Blinding
Control:	None or Placebo or Usual Care
Analysis Type:	ITT and PP
Follow Up:	Any Followup
Participants:	Any # of Participants
Sentence:	Random Model
Binary Fixed Weights:	Inverse Variance

*Meta-Analysis using Inverse Variance method ([view](#))

Capable of changing
Meta Analysis settings
to various weighting
methods and modeling

Customize Meta Analysis Settings

Binary Fixed Effects weighting method based on:

Auto
 Mantel-Haenszel
 Inverse Variance

Evidence Sentence based on:

Auto (Q test)
 Random Effects Model
 Fixed Effects Model

Alpha Level:

Generate Evidence Tables

Evidence Table Wizard

Step 5: Preview / Generate Table Number of Studies: 13 [\[Reset All\]](#) [< Back](#) [Generate Excel](#)

[Preview Evidence Table](#)

Study	Design	N	Length	Interventions	Dose	n	Mean Age	% Female	Cholesterol, Total	Cholesterol, LDL	Cholesterol, HDL	Diabetes Mellitus	ACE-Inhibitor, Concomitant	Beta Blocker, Concomitant	Myocardial Infarction, History of	Smoker, Current	Hypertension	Aspirin, Concomitant
Antz 2000	RCT	135	2 yrs	Pravastatin	20-40mg	70	55yrs	19%	237mg/dL	176mg/dL	31mg/dL	0%	18%	37.7%	64%		31%	
				Usual Care	-	65	59yrs	21%	223mg/dL	172mg/dL	32mg/dL	0%	25%	52%	70%		32%	

Primary Objective: The combined clinical end points were total mortality, cardiovascular death, nonfatal myocardial infarction, need for coronary intervention, stroke, and new onset of peripheral vascular disease. Nonfatal myocardial infarction, coronary balloon angioplasty or bypass grafting, stroke, new onset of occlusive peripheral vascular disease, cardiovascular death, and all-cause mortality were prospectively defined as secondary end points.

Primary Outcome(s): Mortality, All-Cause OR Stroke, Any OR Myocardial Infarction, Non-Fatal OR Mor...

Inclusion/Exclusion: Patients with total cholesterol of > 200 to < 400 mg/dl and low-density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol (defined by new Q waves and increase of enzymes) with an acute myocardial infarction (defined by new Q waves and increase of enzymes) who had undergone percutaneous transluminal coronary balloon angioplasty due to severe or unstable angina pectoris (defined by clinical criteria) were included in this study. Patients with an acute infarction were included only if their lipids could be determined within 8 hours after onset of symptoms, those in the balloon angioplasty group with a history of infarction were included only when the infarction was >= 3 months earlier. Patients > 75 years old, diabetics (fasting blood glucose > 125 mg/dl), patients with postcoronary artery bypass graft, known malignant disease, serious kidney or liver dysfunction (creatinine > 1.5 mg/dl, alanine aminotransferase and aspartate aminotransferase > 2 times normal value), or women of child-bearing age not using a reliable form of contraception were excluded.

Additional Treatment Info: Treatment began an average of 6 (+/- 5) days after qualifying event. Patients in this group with a baseline LDL cholesterol level of <160 mg/dl initially received pravastatin 20 mg/dl; those with an LDL cholesterol of >=160 mg/dl received 40 mg/day. To achieve LDL cholesterol levels of <=130 mg/dl, the pravastatin dosage was increased to 40 mg/day, and nicotinic acid (1.5 to 6 g/day) and/or cholestyramine (4 to 32 g/day) were added if necessary. Antilipidemic therapy was determined by the family physician.

Risk Of Bias:
Sequence Generation: UNCLEAR - No information about the sequence generation process
Allocation Concealment: HIGH - Open-label design.
Blinding: HIGH - Open-label - patients not blinded- potential selection bias (9/65 randomized to 'usual care' dropped out after knowledge of tx).
Incomplete Outcome Data: LOW - Described for primary outcome: those without evaluable angiographies had similar reasons for missing outcomes; Drop outs would not have changed interpretation of outcomes.
Selective Outcome Reporting: LOW - The study protocol was not available, but adequate detail given to specification of primary and secondary outcomes.
Other Sources of Bias: HIGH - Not a placebo controlled trial: protocolized statin tx vs usual care; therefore control group may have been treated.

Characteristic Definitions: **Cholesterol, Total:** The mean total cholesterol level for participants at baseline. **Cholesterol, LDL:** The mean LDL cholesterol level for participants at baseline. **Cholesterol, HDL:** The mean HDL cholesterol level for participants at baseline. **Diabetes Mellitus:** The number of participants who are diabetic. **ACE-Inhibitor, Concomitant:** The number of participants taking ACE (Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme) inhibitors during the study period. **Beta Blocker, Concomitant:** The number of participants taking a beta blocker concomitantly.

Customizable, Automated Evidence Table Generation