

# Dyslipidemia

## Causes

### Primary

· genetics

### Secondary

· smoking

· fat intake

· lifestyle

· diseases (CKD, DM)

· alcohol

· drugs

- thiazides

- alcohol

- antipsychotics

- antiepileptics

## How to Handle Myalgia

↳ usually occurs in 1st 6m

**Myopathy:** CK ≤ ULN

→ continue, ↓ dose, ↓ statin, qad dosing, temporary D/C

**Myositis:** CK > ULN

→ D/C until CK < ULN

**Rhabdomyolysis:** CK > 10X ULN

→ D/C & restart

## Treatment - Others

### PCSK9i (prevent LDL-R degradation)

↳ alirocumab & evolocumab

#### Use in who?

- in those who haven't achieved lipid target on max statin therapy

Plan: add to statin therapy

### Ezetimibe (inhibit intestinal cholesterol absorption)

#### Use in who?

- use in patient w/ CKD & give w/ simvastatin to ↓ major vascular events

- if & tolerate potent statin, can use this

Plan: use w/ monotherapy or w/ statin

### Fibrates (↓ VLDL & ↑ HDL by ↑ FA oxidation)

#### Use in who?

- reduce risk of pancreatitis

Plan: only combine w/ Statin if high triglycerides & low HDL (to be done w/ gemfibrozil)

### Bile Acid Sequestrants (↑ BA excretion to cause more cholesterol to be converted to BA)

#### Use in who?

- pregnancy / BF

- on max statin

Plan: sequestrant + statin (+/- ezetimibe)

### Isosapent Ethyl (↓ TG levels by inhibiting TG enzymes)

#### Use in who?

- if TG levels b/t 5-5.6 & on max statin

## Treatment - First Line

↳ for every 1mmol ↑ in LDL in 1 yr, risk of CV event ↑ by 21% & mortality ↑ by 10%

### Step 1: Statin-Indicated Condition

↳ if any of the below conditions, start statin (unless contraindicated)

1) LDL ≥ 5.0 mmol/L

2) CV disease

3) Most diabetic patients

- ≥ 40 yrs

- 30+ yrs & DM × 15+ yrs

- microvascular disease

4) CKD

↓ if no

Calculate Framingham score

### Step 2: What Statin? What dose?

↳ start low & titrate to target dose

1<sup>o</sup> prevention → high risk for CV events → low dose (10mg)  
- reduces CV events

2<sup>o</sup> prevention → recent ACS/stable CAD → atorvastatin 80mg  
- reduces CV events

TQD: low dose (atorvastatin 10 mg)  
- reduces CV events

1<sup>o</sup> arian: use lower rosuvastatin dose b/c ↑ risk of myalgia  
(start at 5mg)

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