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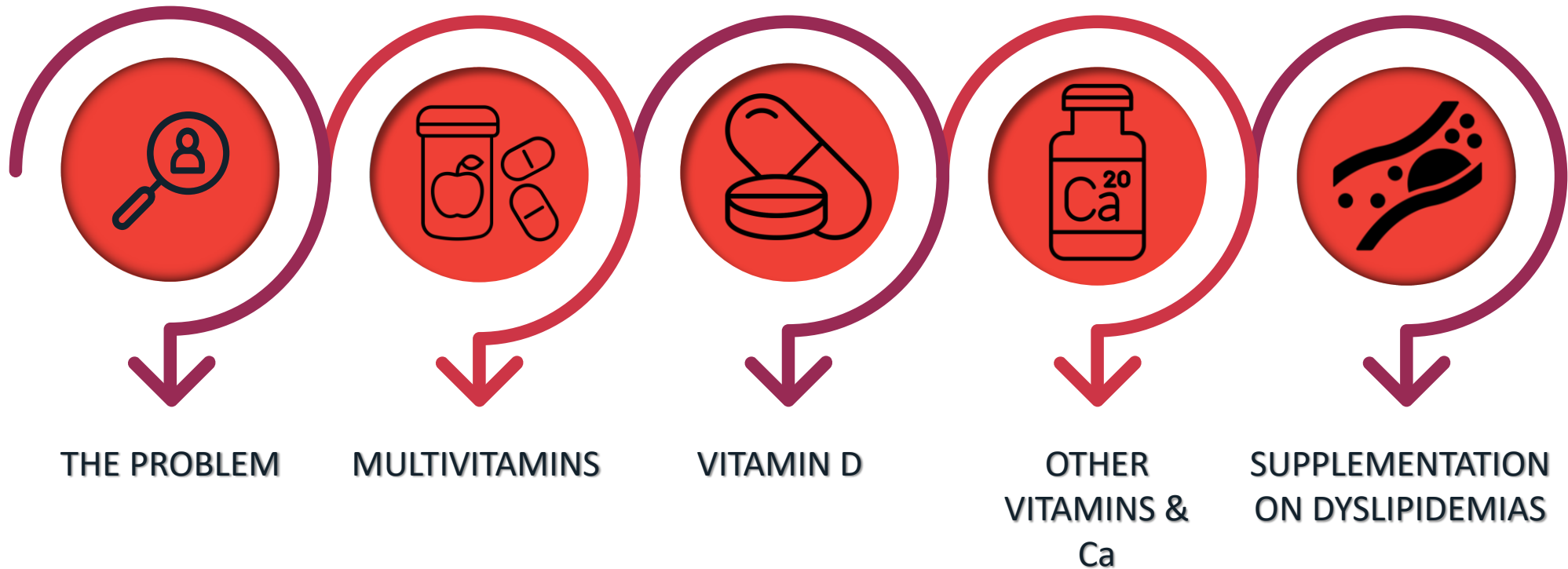
## SUPLEMENTOS NA SAÚDE E DOENÇA CARDIOVASCULAR

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# Supplements for the Primary Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease and Cancer





- **Dietary supplementation is a very common practice in developed countries**

- Half of U.S. adults (52%) take one or more dietary supplements.
- Most commonly **multivitamin** supplements.



Article

**Dietary Supplement Use Differs by Socioeconomic and Health-Related Characteristics among U.S. Adults, NHANES 2011–2014**

Alexandra E. Cowan <sup>1</sup>, Shinyoung Jun <sup>1</sup> , Jaime J. Gahche <sup>2</sup>, Janet A. Toozé <sup>3</sup>,

- **Common reasons appointed for using dietary supplements:**

- Overall health and wellness.
- **Disease prevention**, in particular **cardiovascular disease** and **cancer**.
- Lose weight, have more energy.



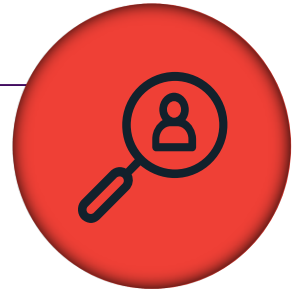
## Why US Adults Use Dietary Supplements

Regan L. Bailey, PhD, RD; Jaime J. Gahche, MPH; Paige E. Miller, PhD, RD; [et al](#)



- Dietary supplements are **intensively advertised in the media.**
  - Sales of nearly 50 billion dollars annually in the United States
  - Frequently use expressions such as *"treat" and "prevent"* ,some advertisements use the authority of medical profession
  - **Many users feel so strongly** about the potential health benefits that they reported that they would continue to take dietary supplements even if they were shown to be ineffective in regulated scientific studies
  - Dietary supplements like multivitamins are **generally regulated as food products rather than pharmaceuticals**





Knowledge of dietary supplements is not a core competency for medical education and is often **overlooked**.

- Practicing physicians lack knowledge in these areas and rarely investigate supplements that they may not be familiar with
- Frequent sources of physician's information about dietary supplements were advertisements

Original Article  
Medical Residents' Knowledge of Dietary  
Supplements  
Authors: Bimal H. Ashar, MD, MBA, Tasha N. Rice, MHS, Stephen D. Sisson, MD



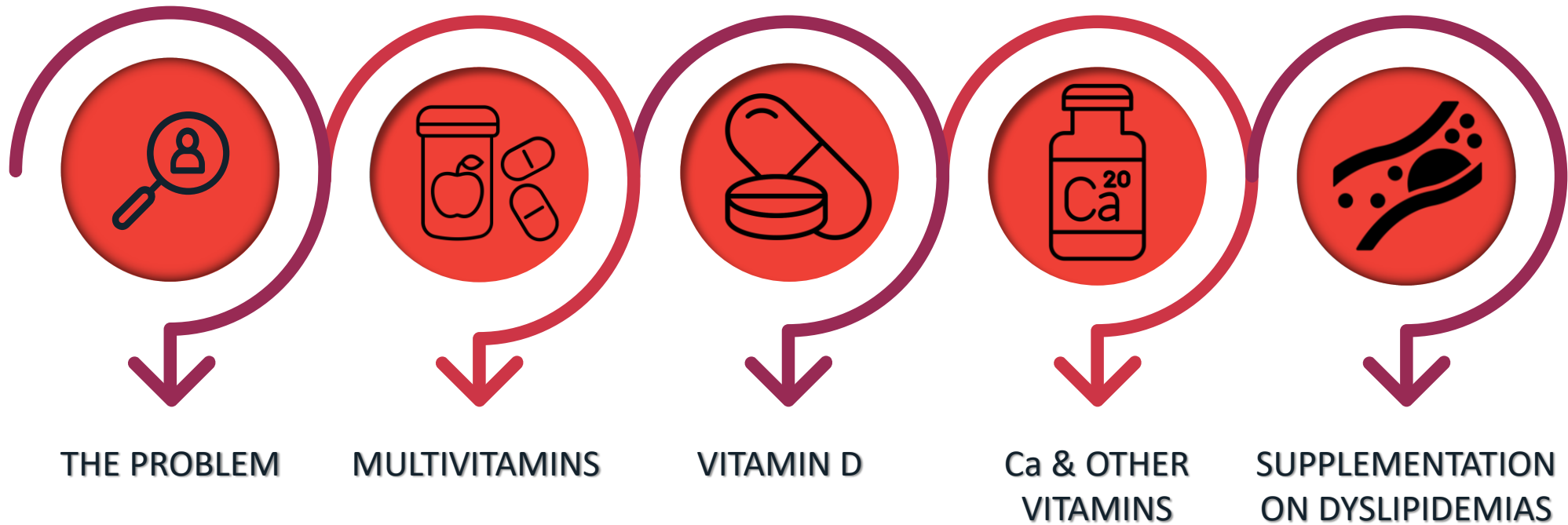
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# Supplements for the Primary Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease and Cancer





## MULTIVITAMINS

- **Most common dietary supplement** taken in the U.S., with more than one-third of adults

reporting regular multivitamin use.



### OBJECTIVE

- Prevent nutritional deficiency.

### RATIONAL FOR MV use:

- The combination of essential vitamins and minerals contained in multivitamins may mirror healthier dietary patterns such as fruit and vegetable intake, which have been *modestly and inversely associated with cancer and CVD risk* in some studies



## MULTIVITAMINS

Key question 1:

What is the efficacy of multivitamin supplementation for reducing cardiovascular disease, cancer, and mortality in the general adult population?





## MULTIVITAMINS

Is multivitamin supplementation effective?



### Multivitamins in the Prevention of Cancer in Men

The Physicians' Health Study II Randomized Controlled Trial

J. Michael Gaziano, MD, MPH; Howard D. Sesso, ScD, MPH; William G. Christen, ScD; et al

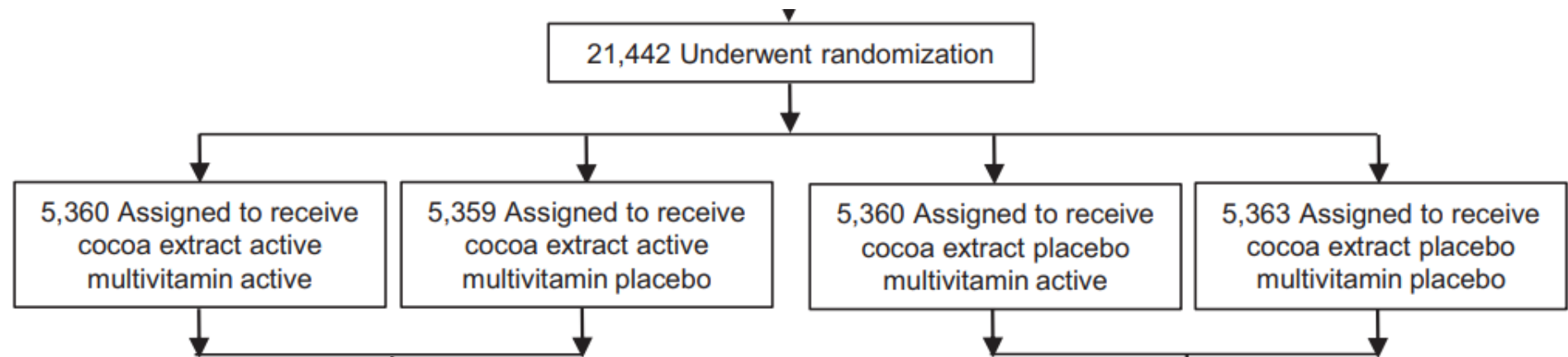
Daily multivitamin supplementation modestly but significantly reduced the risk of total cancer (17.0 and 18.3 events, respectively, per 1000 person-years; hazard ratio [HR], 0.92; P = .04)

No effect on cancer mortality or site-specific cancers



## MULTIVITAMINS

**Largest randomized trial regarding multivitamins and cocoa extract.**





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Mean Follow up 3,6 years



No benefit on  
cancer mortality

No reduction of CV  
events

No reduction of all  
cause mortality

Daily MV supplementation was beneficial on cognition  
(P=0,007)



## MULTIVITAMINS

Pooled analysis of 4 RCTs  
~37.000 participants



**No association** between  
**multivitamin** use and **cardiovascular**  
**disease mortality.**



## Key question 2:

What are the harms of multivitamin supplementation in the general adult population?

Harms of multivitamin use were reported in 9 RCTs (n = 51614)

Very few adverse effects

Slight increase in RASH (OR 1.01-1.12)



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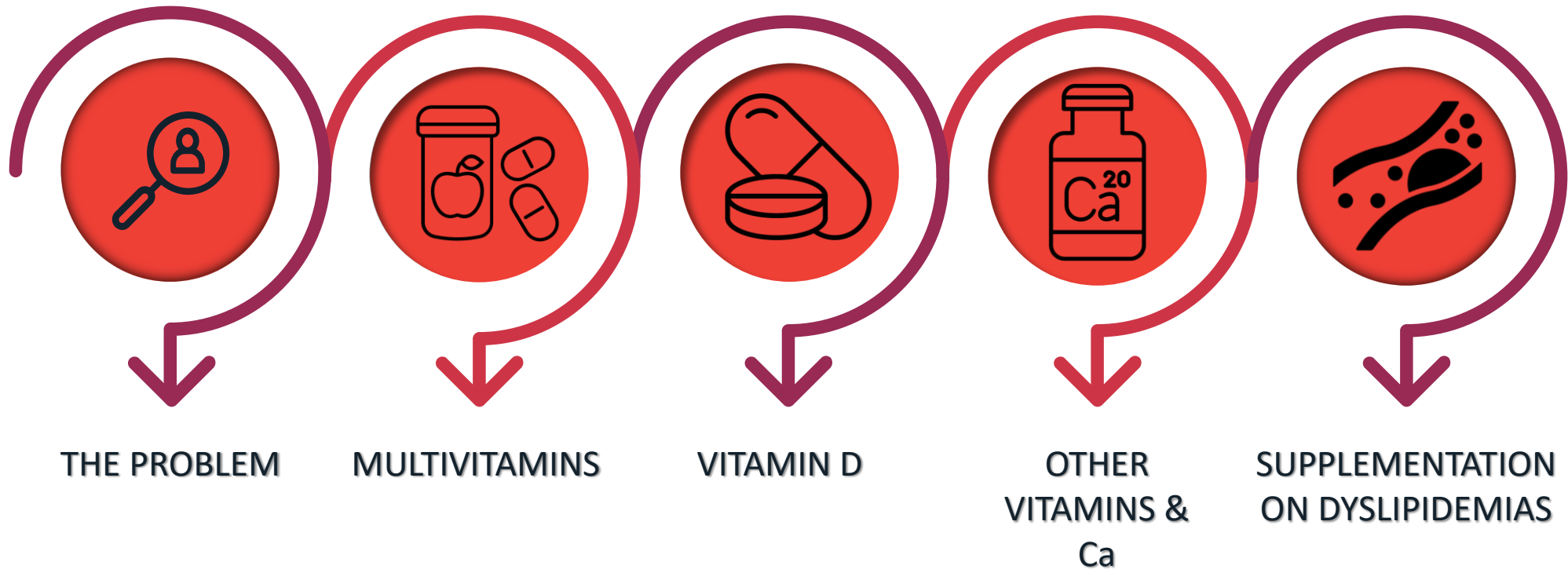
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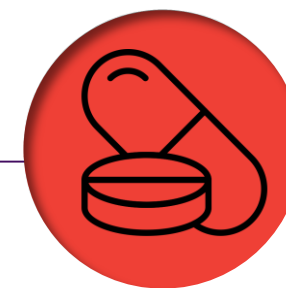
- The USPSTF concludes that the evidence is insufficient to determine the balance of benefits and harms of supplementation with multivitamins for the prevention of cardiovascular disease or cancer.

The largest randomized trial (COSMOS) as only a follow up of ~3.5 years

Small observational studies that suggest benefit

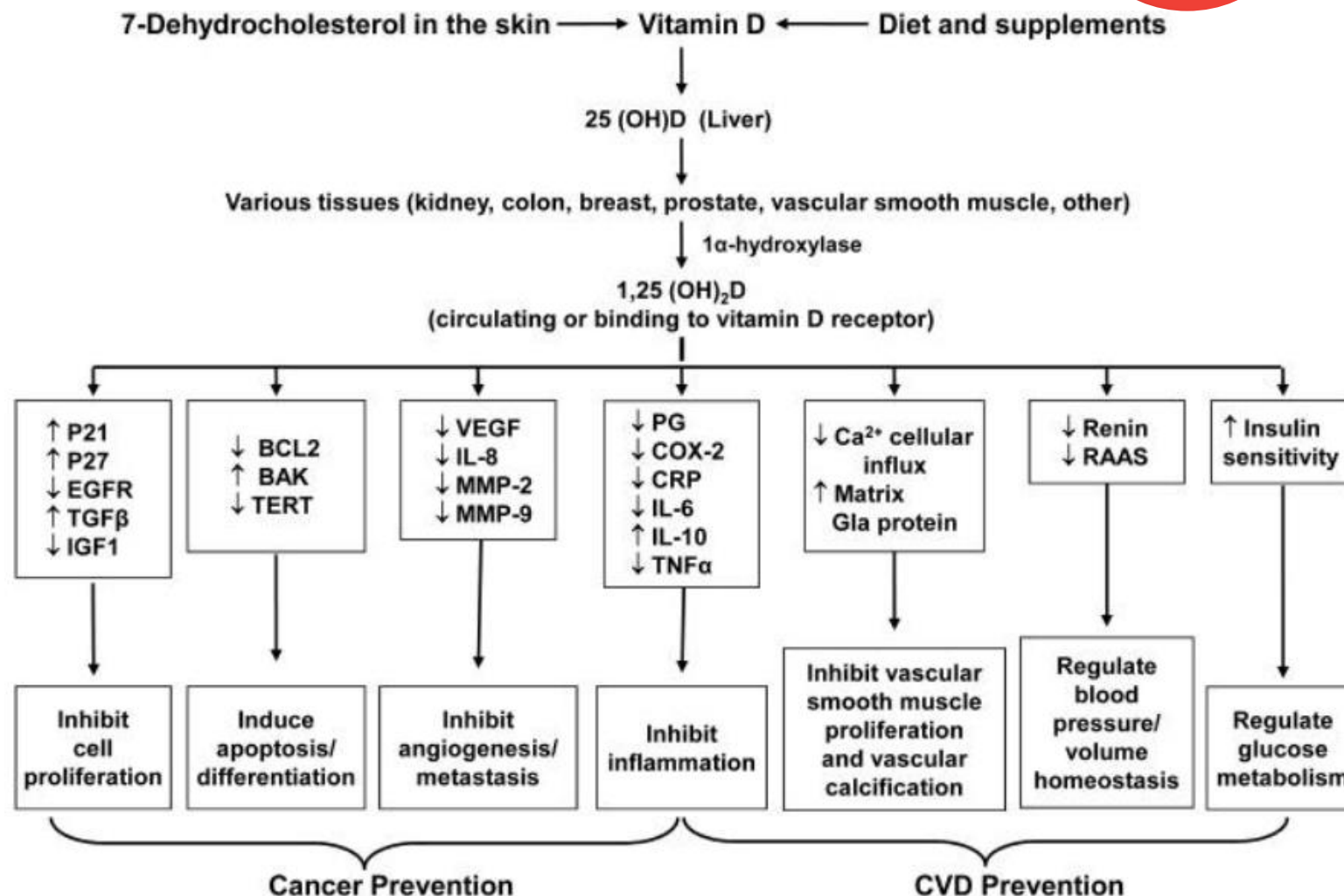
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## VITAMIN D

Approximately 20% of healthy adults in the UK take a supplement containing vitamin D.



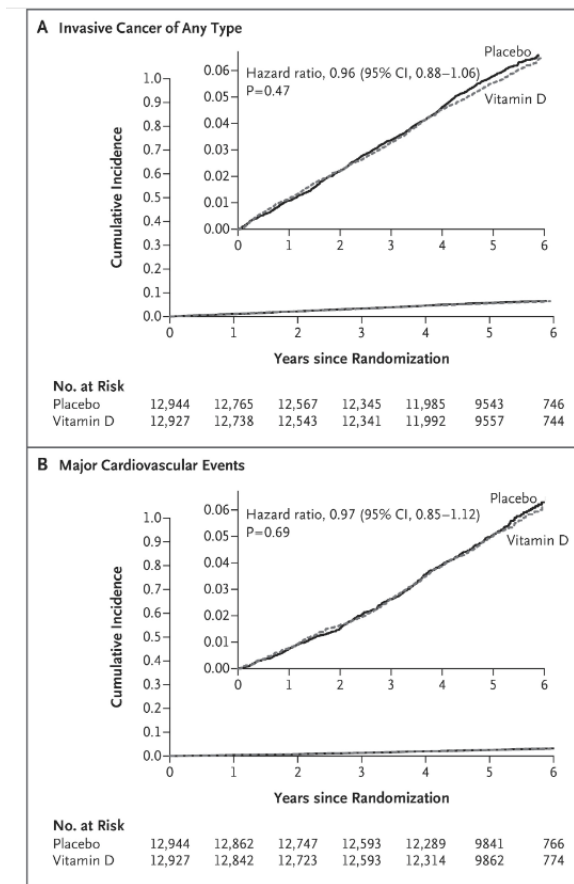




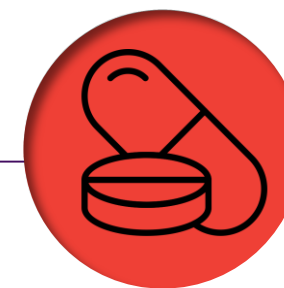
Vitamin D Supplements and Prevention of Cancer and Cardiovascular Disease

JoAnn E. Manson, M.D., Dr.PH., Nancy R. Cook, Sc.D., I-Min Lee, M.B., B.S., Sc.D., William Christen, Sc.D., Shari S. Bassuk, Sc.D., Samia Mora, M.D., M.H.S., Heike Gibson, Ph.D., David Gordon, M.A.T., Trisha Copeland, M.S., R.D., Denise D'Agostino, B.S., Georgina Friedenberg, M.P.H., Claire Ridge, M.P.H., et al., for the VITAL Research Group\*

- **~25.000 patients** > 50 years old
- Primary end points were **invasive cancer** of any type and **major cardiovascular events**.



# VITAMIN D



Supplementation with vitamin D **did not** result in a **lower** incidence of **invasive cancer** or **cardiovascular events** than placebo.

No excess risks of hypercalcemia or other adverse events were identified.



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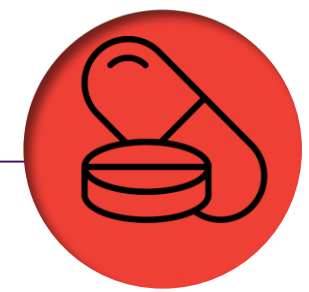
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Outcome	No. of studies	No. analyzed	% with event		Odds ratio (95% CI)	Favors Intervention	Favors control
			Intervention	Control			
Vitamin D							
All-cause mortality	27	117082	5	5.7	0.96 (0.91-1.02)		
CVD events	7	74925	8.1	8.2	1.00 (0.95-1.05)		
Any cancer	19	86899	6.7	6.8	0.98 (0.92-1.03)		

No benefit in preventing cancer

No benefit in CV events

No benefit in all cause mortality

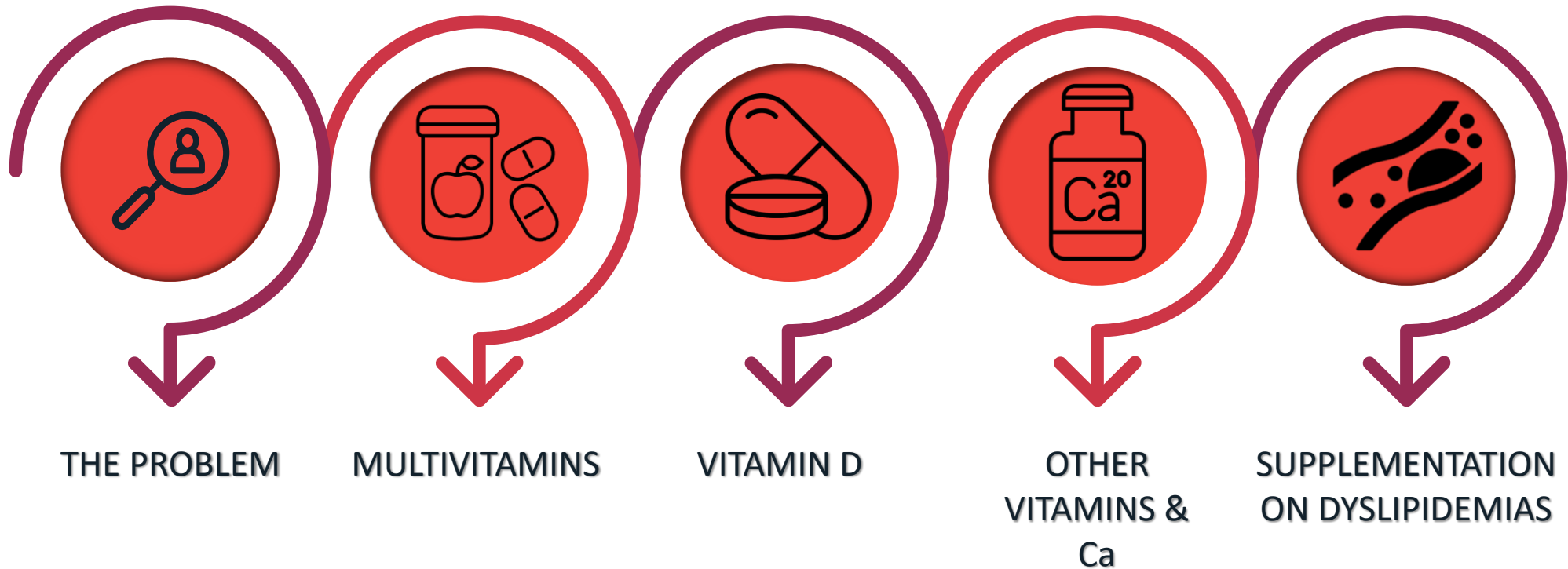


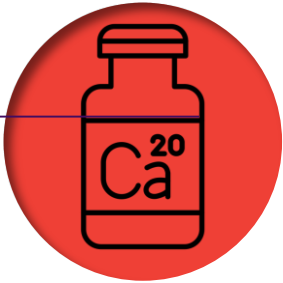
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The USPSTF concludes that the evidence is insufficient to determine the balance of benefits and harms of supplementation with single or paired nutrients (other than beta carotene and vitamin E) for the prevention of cardiovascular disease or cancer.

- It is unclear whether the effect of vitamin D on health outcomes **might vary based on patient population characteristics** (eg, baseline vitamin D level or diet quality).
- **Follow-up** may be **too short** to detect an effect on cancer-specific mortality.

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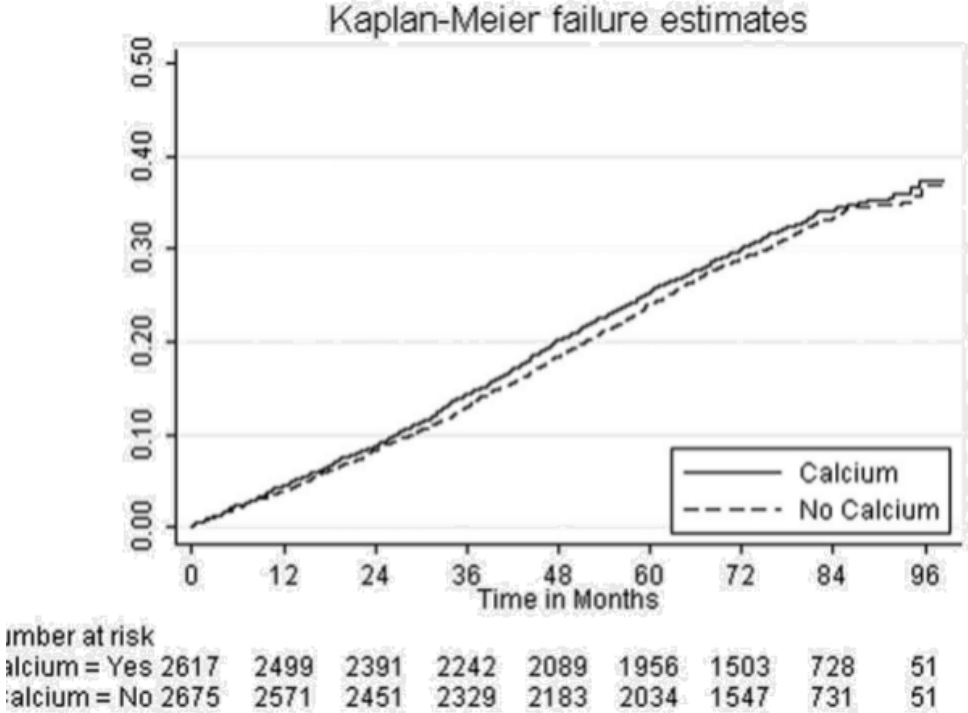
**JCEM** THE JOURNAL OF CLINICAL ENDOCRINOLOGY & METABOLISM

**Long-Term Follow-Up for Mortality and Cancer in a Randomized Placebo-Controlled Trial of Vitamin D<sub>3</sub> and/or Calcium (RECORD Trial)**

Alison Avenell, Graeme S. MacLennan, David J. Jenkinson, Gladys C. McPherson,

~5000 healthy individual

Randomized to calcium , vitamin D + calcium,  
 vitamin D or placebo





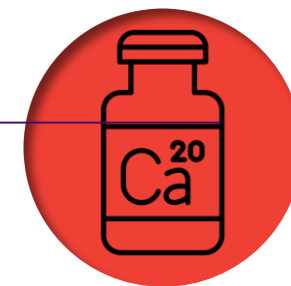
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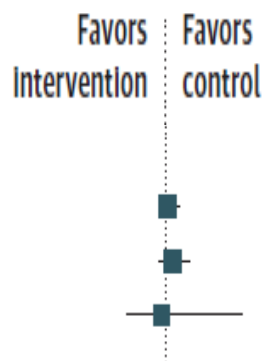
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# CALCIUM



Outcome	No. of studies	No. analyzed	% with event		Odds ratio (95% CI)
			Intervention	Control	
Calcium					
All-cause mortality	6	8394	13.1	12.7	1.05 (0.92-1.21)
CVD events	4	4076	10.7	9.7	1.11 (0.90-1.36)
Any cancer <sup>a</sup>	3	5051	8.7	8.9	0.94 (0.41-2.14)

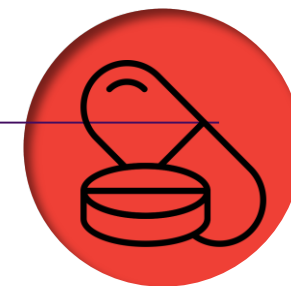


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# HARMS IN SUPPLEMENTATION



Are there serious harms in supplementation?



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## RESEARCH

Effects of vitamin E on stroke subtypes: meta-analysis of randomised controlled trials

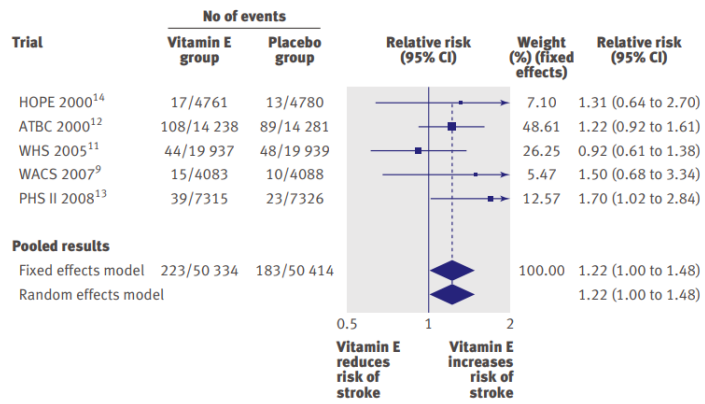


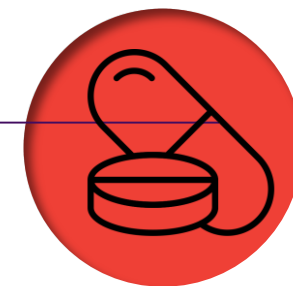
Fig 3 | Relative risks of the effect of vitamin E on haemorrhagic stroke for individual trials and for the pooled population

Increases Hemorrhagic stroke in 22%

Decreases risk of ischemic stroke in 10%

**Rational: Vitamin E** antioxidant properties might protect against cardiovascular disease.

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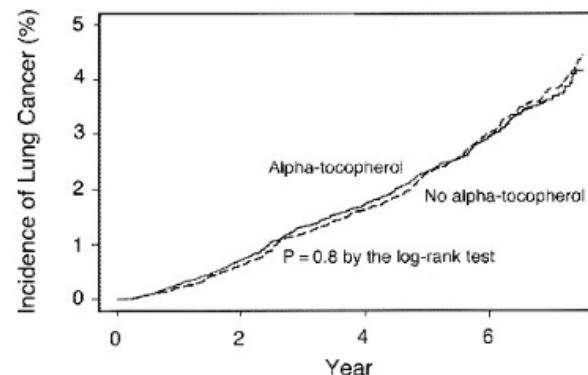


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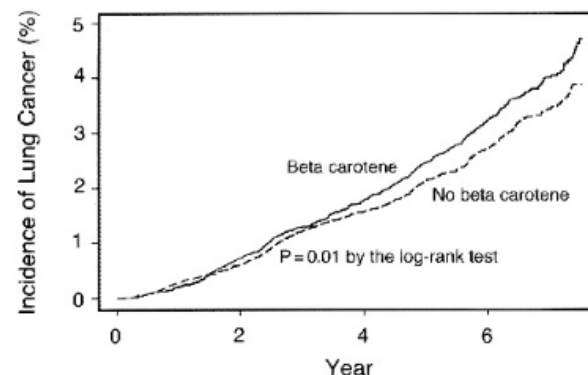
ORIGINAL ARTICLE  
The Effect of Vitamin E and Beta Carotene on the Incidence of Lung Cancer and Other Cancers in Male Smokers

~30.000 male smokers healthy individual

Randomized to Vitamin E, Beta Carotene or placebo



Significant increase of lung cancer with beta carotene supplementation



No benefit with vitamin E

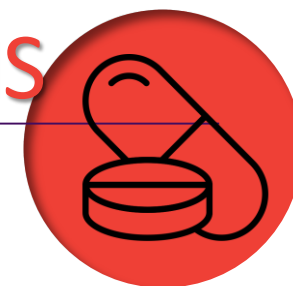




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# OTHER VITAMINS



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<b>Beta carotene</b>							
All-cause mortality	6	112 820	5.4	5.1	1.06 (1.00-1.12)		
CVD mortality	5	94 506	2.8	2.6	1.10 (1.02-1.19)		
CVD events	2	61 947	3.5	3.5	1.01 (0.92-1.10)		
Any cancer	2	61 947	5.3	5.4	0.99 (0.92-1.07)		
Lung cancer <sup>c</sup>	4	94 830	1.2	1	1.20 (1.01-1.42)		
<b>Vitamin A</b>							
All-cause mortality <sup>d</sup>	1	2 297	5.4	4.6	1.16 (0.80-1.69)		
<b>Beta carotene or vitamin A</b>							
All-cause mortality	7	115 117	5.4	5.1	1.06 (1.01-1.12)		
<b>Vitamin E</b>							
All-cause mortality	9	107 772	6.9	6.8	1.02 (0.97-1.07)		
CVD events	4	62 136	5.1	5.2	0.96 (0.90-1.04)		
Any cancer	5	76 777	8.8	8.6	1.02 (0.98-1.08)		
<b>Vitamin D</b>							
All-cause mortality	27	117 082	5	5.7	0.96 (0.91-1.02)		
CVD events	7	74 925	8.1	8.2	1.00 (0.95-1.05)		
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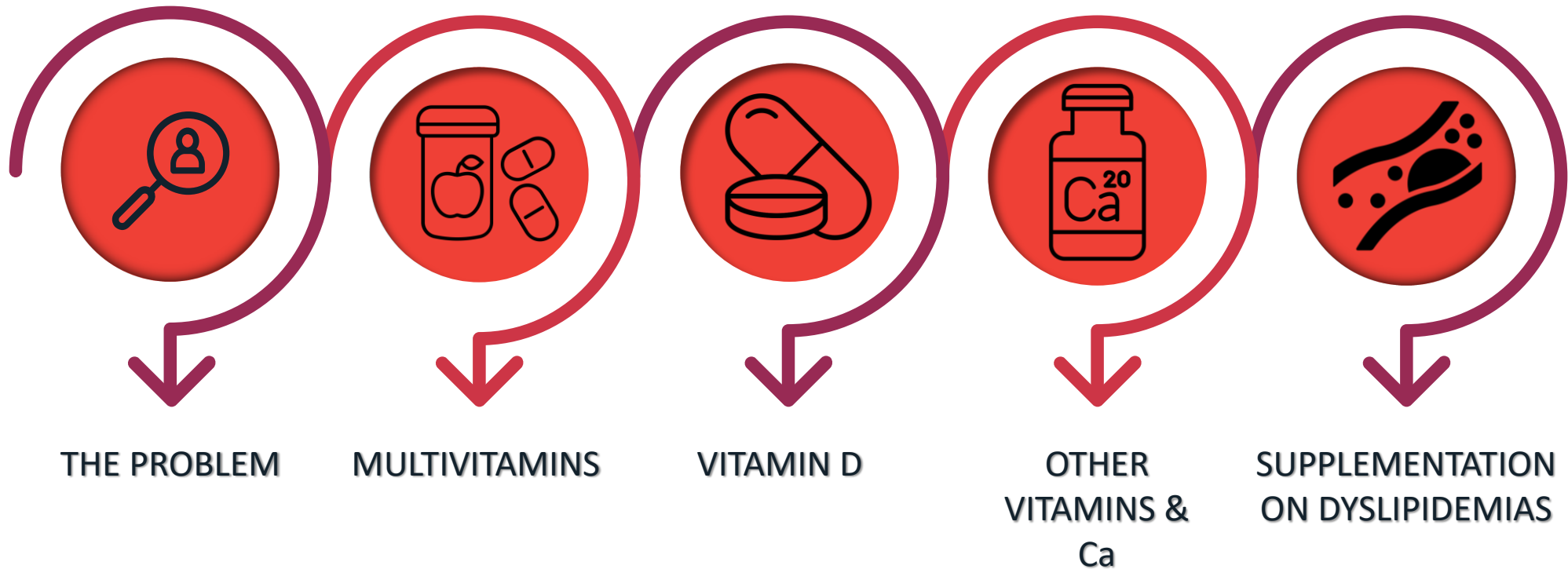
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### USPSTF assessment

- The USPSTF concludes with moderate certainty that the harms of beta carotene supplementation for the prevention of cardiovascular disease or cancer outweigh the benefits.
- The USPSTF concludes with moderate certainty that there is no net benefit of supplementation with vitamin E for the prevention of cardiovascular disease or cancer.
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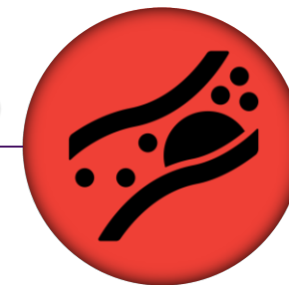




For management of dyslipidemias, **supplements are often used by patients in place of statins**, in the absence of high-quality data.

Consumer research suggests most U.S. consumers believe cholesterol health supplements are safer than prescription medications.

Majority of the public **also believe supplements are as effective, or more effective, than statins.**



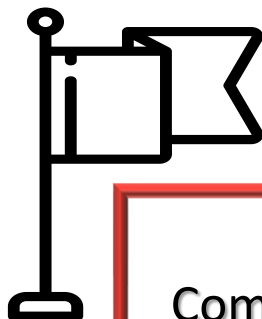
## SPORT trial



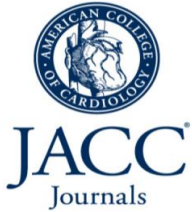
### Comparative Effects of Low-Dose Rosuvastatin, Placebo, and Dietary Supplements on Lipids and Inflammatory Biomarkers



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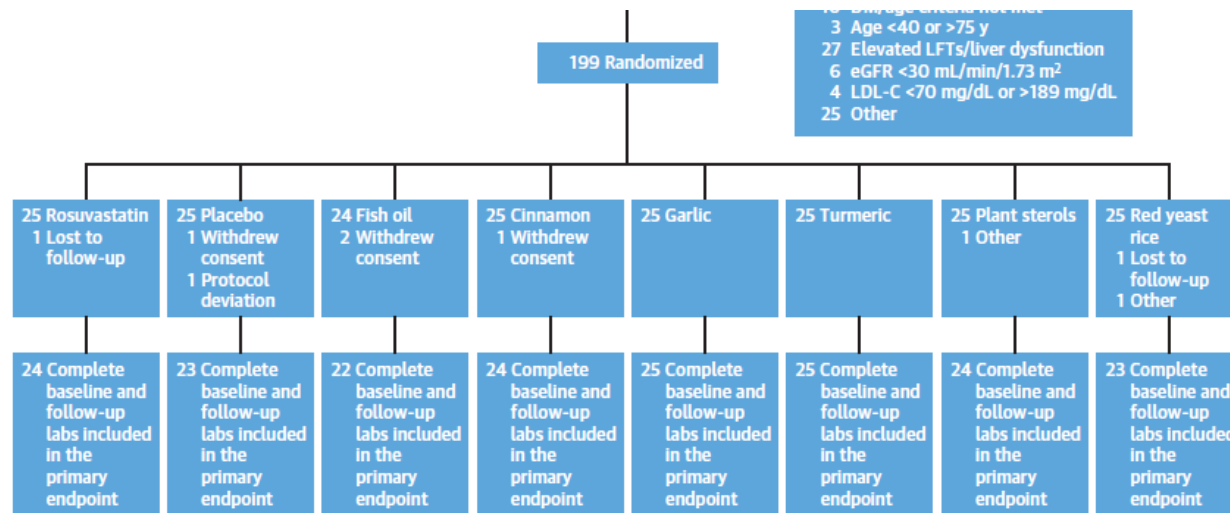


Compare the efficacy of a **low-dose statin** with placebo and **6 common supplements** in impacting lipid and inflammatory biomarkers



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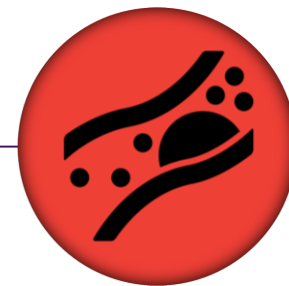
## Inclusion Criteria



- 40 and 75 years
- LDL-C of 70 to 189 mg/dL
- no history of atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease
- not taking statins or other prescription lipid-lowering therapy

## Exclusion Criteria

- liver dysfunction
- fasting serum triglycerides >200 mg/dL.
- glomerular filtration rate of <30 mL/min/m<sup>2</sup>.



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Primary endpoint: LDL reduction after 28 days

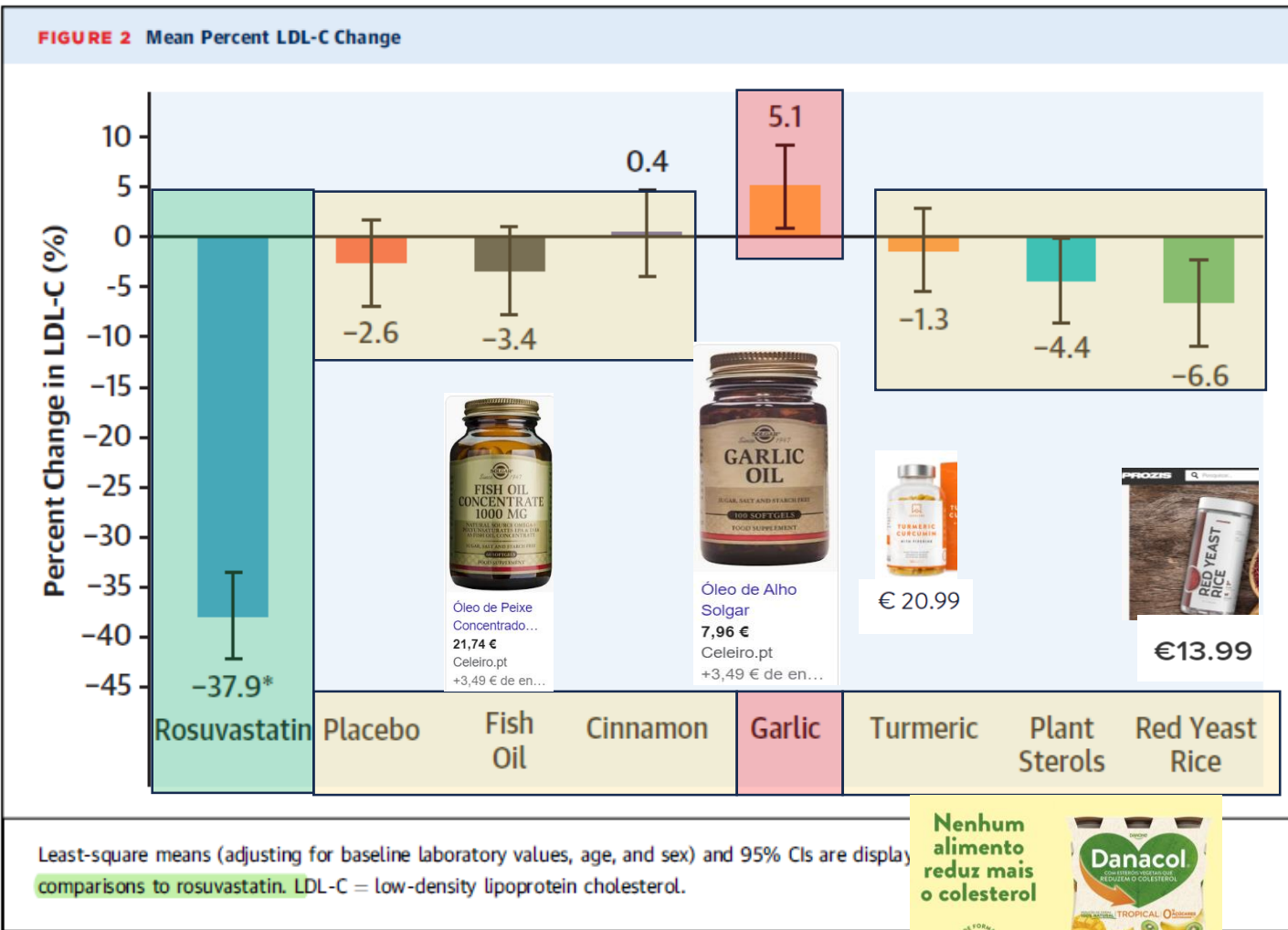


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Rosuvastatin Decreased LDL-C, Total Cholesterol, and Serum Triglycerides Significantly More Than Placebo and Each Supplement



No difference in LDL-C reduction with any supplement compared to placebo

Supplements marketed or promoted for “cholesterol health” do not significantly lower LDL-C compared with placebo

No difference in adverse effects

Patients should be educated about the lack of benefit of these supplements on important cardiovascular risk factors.



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## TAKE HOME MESSAGES

- ✓ Dietary supplementation is a very common practice in developed countries.
- ✓ Disease prevention (cardiovascular disease and cancer) are common reasons appointed for supplement intake.
- ✓ Multivitamins do not seem to be effective in CV disease.
- ✓ Supplementation may carry harms in specific patients ( Beta carotene, Vit E)
- ✓ Supplements promoted for “cholesterol health” do not significantly lower LDL-C compared with placebo.



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