



Clinical implications

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Unresolved

- ART increases or decreases the risk of MI?
 - INDIVIDUAL drugs, more than class effect?
- Surrogat markers, e.g. cIMT
 - Will they translate into clinical end-points, e.g. MI, **in HIV+**?
- Impact of inflammation uncertain
- The START study (When to initiate ART)
 - unique opportunity to explore why rates of SNAs are high in pt.s with high CD4 cell count
 - Might answer *if* we can reduce CVD in HIV+ with ART?

Management of CVD in HIV?

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- Difficult – and potential expensive – to manage the results of such estimations

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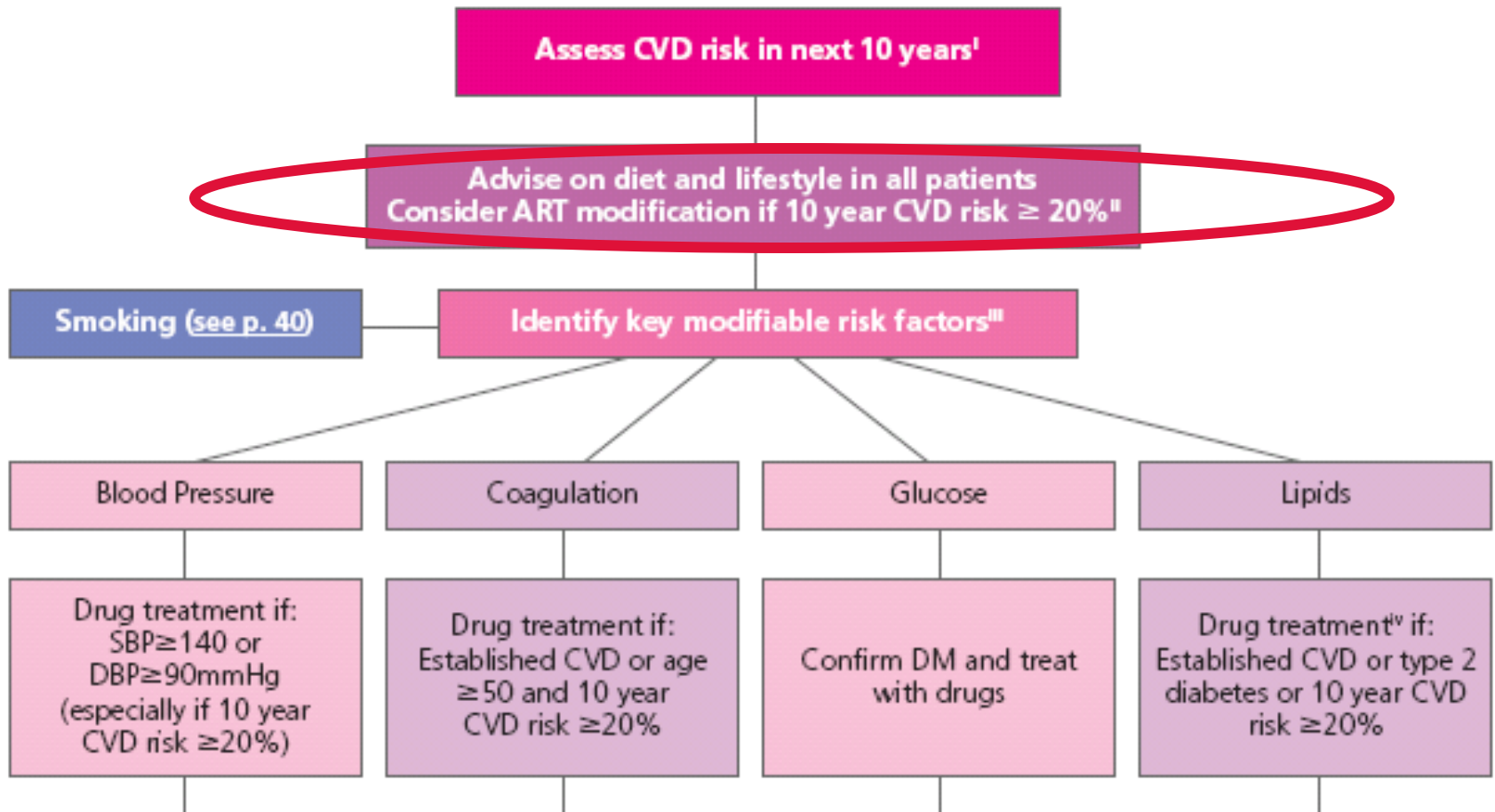
Management of CVD in HIV?

- Easy – and cheap – to calculate Framingham risk score or the new D:A:D prediction model of CVD in HIV patients*
- The available prediction models may underpredict the risk of MI in an important subset of HIV-infected populations – THE SMOKERS!
 - at least in D:A:D (what about other studies ?)
 - Most prediction models are derived in populations that are older than average age of the majority of HIV-infected persons
- The D:A:D predictions models needs to be validated in other populations

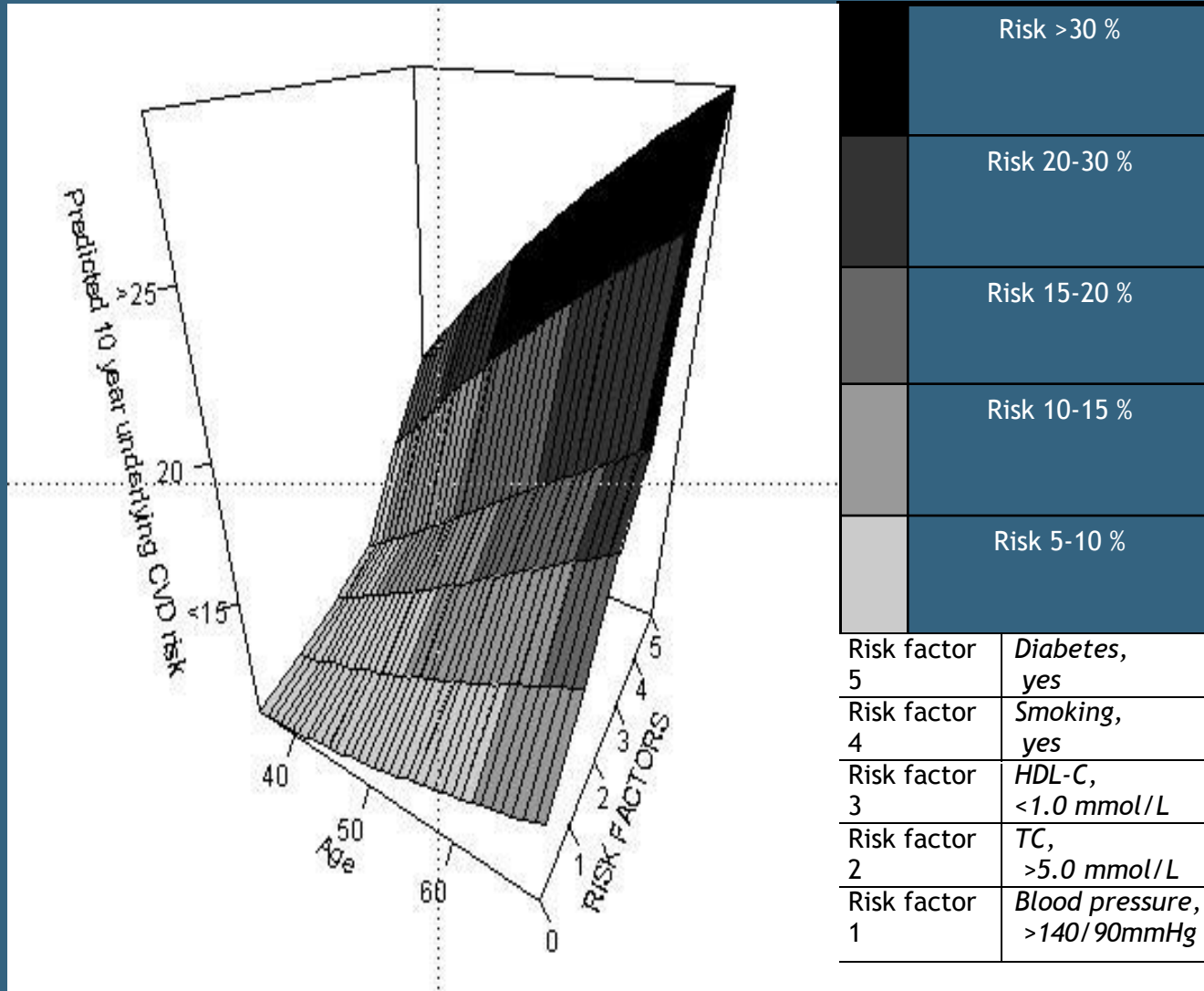
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Prevention of CVD

Principles: The intensity of efforts to prevent CVD depends on the underlying risk of CVD, which can be estimatedⁱ. The preventive efforts are diverse in nature and require involvement of a relevant specialists, in particular if the risk of CVD is high and always in patients with a history of CVD.



Predicted future CVD risk



Pearls or pitfalls?

- Increased understanding of CVD in HIV+
 - Although, few studies have assessed if biomarkers translate into clinical CVD events
- Recommended annual FRS* enable us to focus on intermediate/high risks patients
 - if underlying absolute risk is low, PI or ABC exposure adds little to this risk (opposite equally true)
- Tough to reduce the modifiable risk factors, e.g. smoking
- Does inflammation contribute in a similar manner/magnitude in HIV+ compared to HIV-
- Does drug induced dyslipidemia/DM/... confere a similar risk for CVD as in the general population
- Effectiveness of using risk scores in the primary prevention of CVD?
 - few trials in background population, none in HIV

* EACS Guidelines

Risk-Benefit Ratio NNTTH?

