

# Genomic Risk And Preventing Coronary Heart Disease – the GeneRISK Study and Beyond

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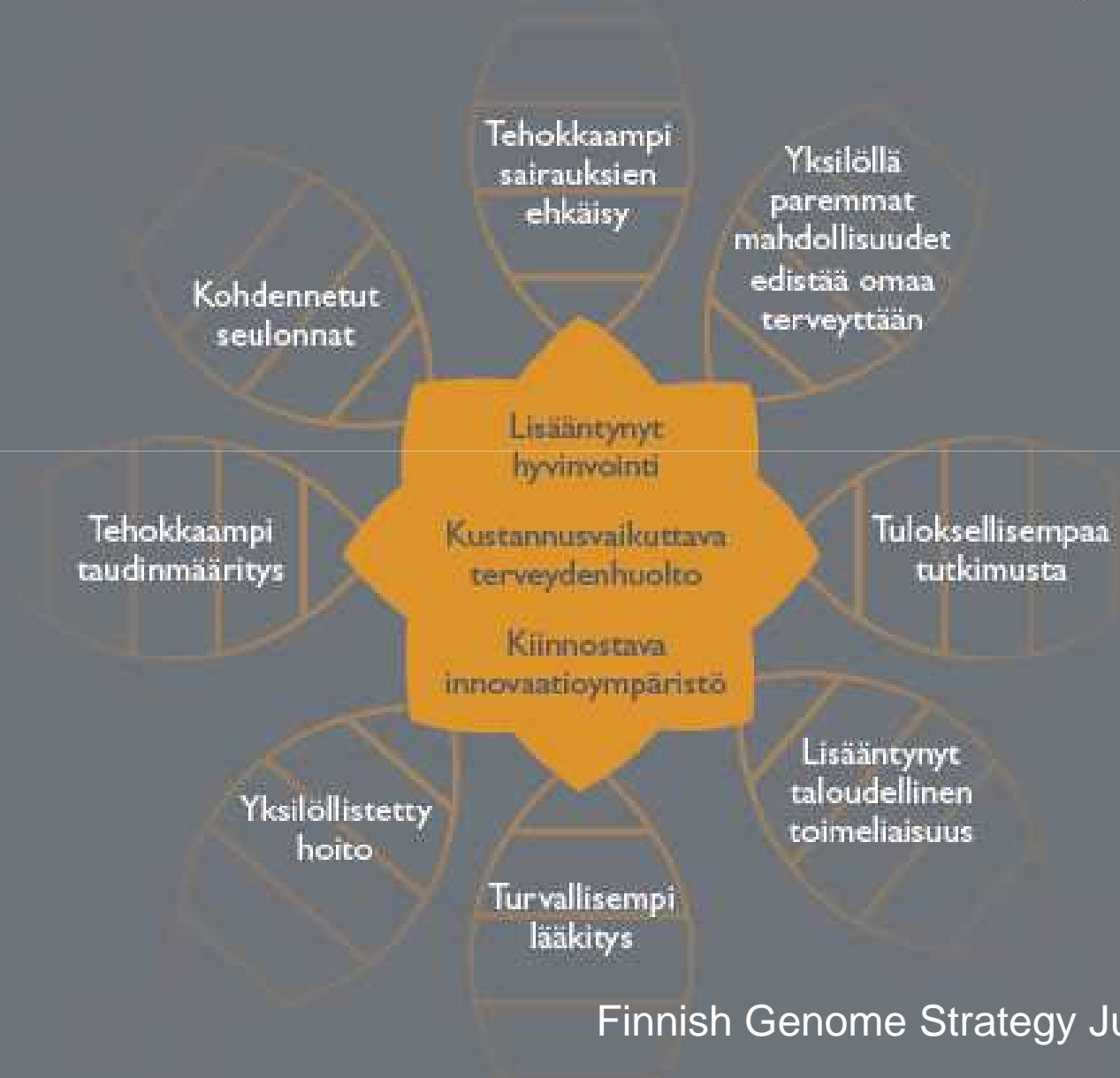
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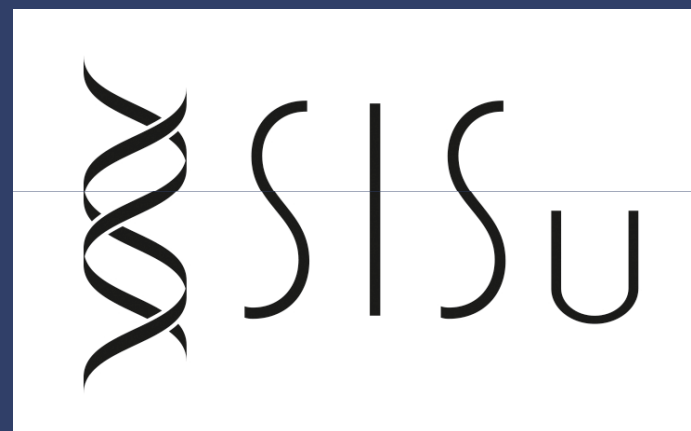
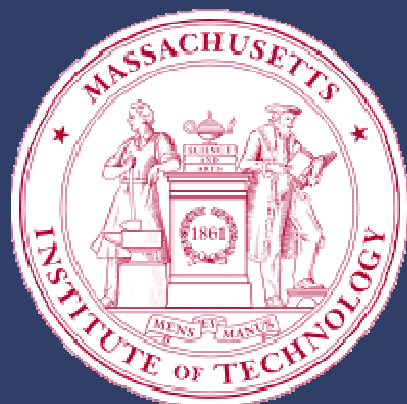
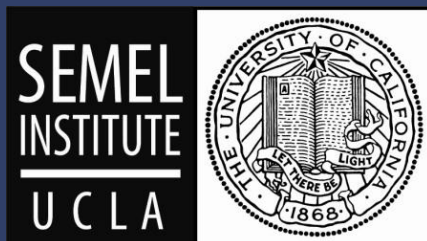
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Finnish genomic variation differs from the neighbors



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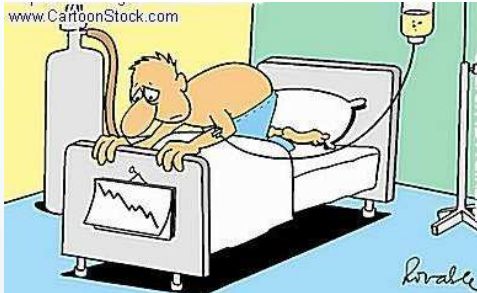
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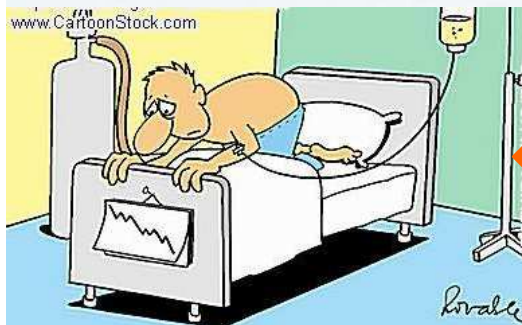
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SISu provides a reference database of genomic variation



Apply to an individual patient



# Genomic data from Finnish study collections

Cohorts



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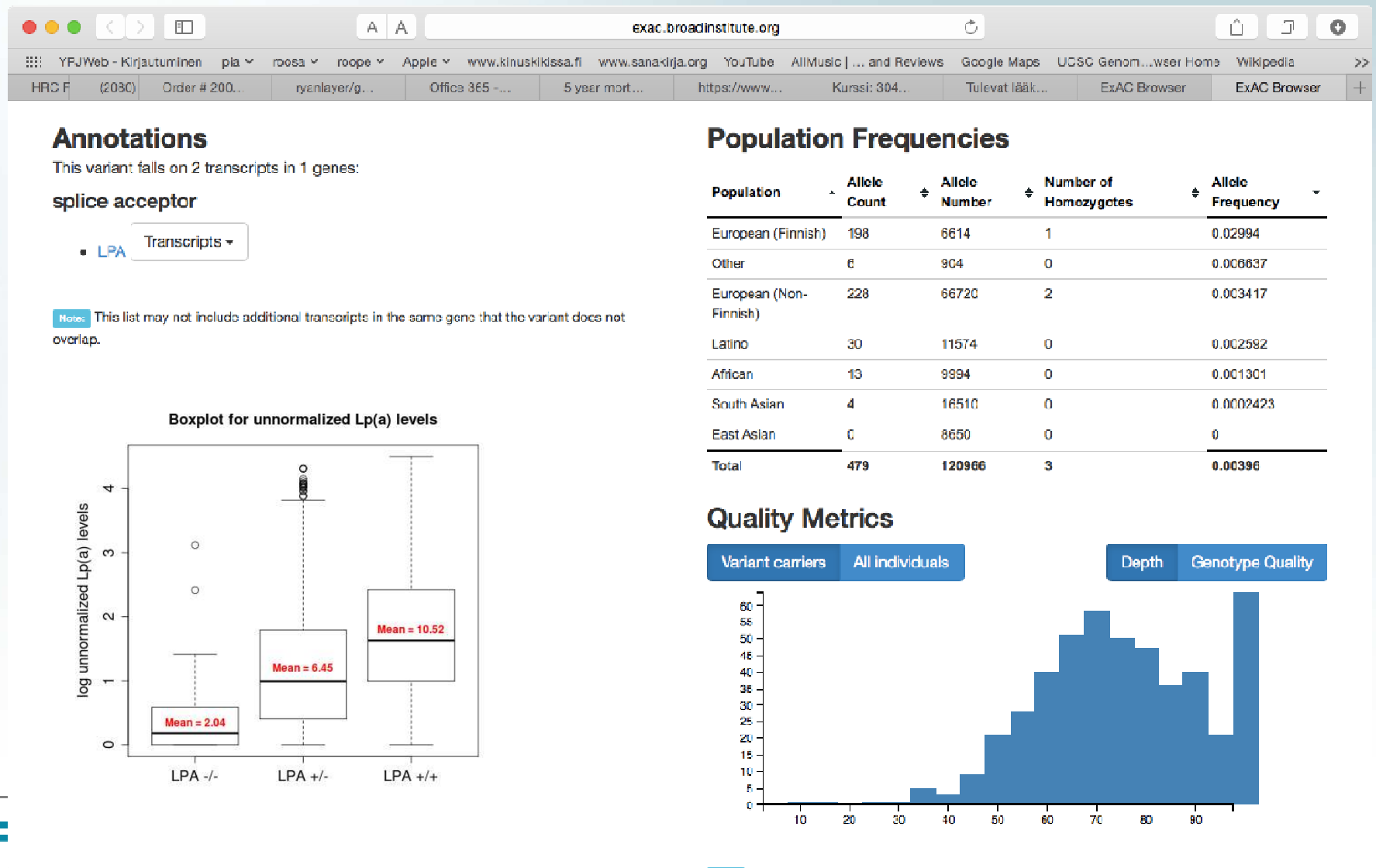
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rs200920925	5	114482990	A	G	-	0	3	3322	0.0004511	0
rs1570248	9	35751221	C	T	-	458	1557	1310	0.3719	0.332168
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# LPA loss-of-function variant protecting from CHD





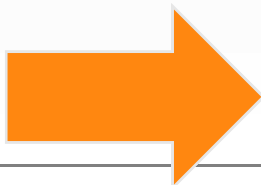
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# The MD students...

- › ...tested their coronary heart disease risk using traditional risk factors and a panel of 50 risk variants
- › ...tested a panel of 75 pharmacogenetic markers
- › ...learned about P4 medicine (predictive, preventive, personalized, participatory)
- › ...learned to interpret risk and how to motivate high risk individuals for life style changes
- › ...learned how genes modify drug metabolism
- › ...learned how personalized cancer genetics are currently used for diagnosis and treatment and Helsinki University Hospital (HUCH)

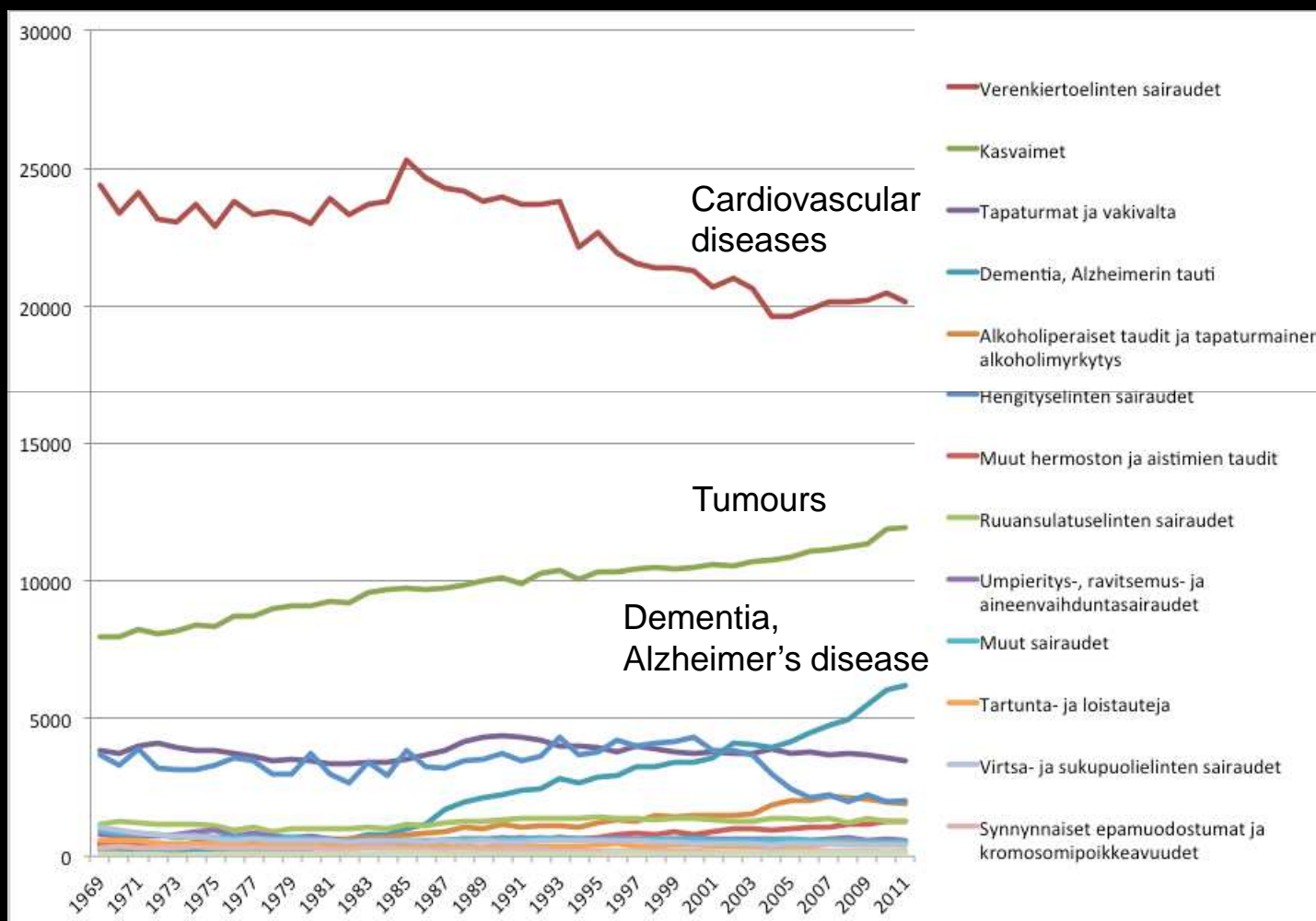


The students' feedback:  
Genomics need to be integrated in all standard teaching

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# Causes of death in Finland



10-year CVD Risk Calculator (Ri...

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## Risk Assessment Tool for Estimating Your 10-year Risk of Having a Heart Attack

The risk assessment tool below uses information from the Framingham Heart Study to predict a person's chance of having a heart attack in the next 10 years. This tool is designed for adults aged 20 and older who do not have heart disease or diabetes. To find your risk score, enter your information in the calculator below.

Age:

years

Gender:

☐ Female
 ☐ Male

[Total Cholesterol:](#)

mg/dL

[HDL Cholesterol:](#)

mg/dL

[Smoker:](#)

☐ No
 ☐ Yes

[Systolic Blood Pressure:](#)

mm/Hg

Are you currently on any medication to treat high blood pressure.

☐ No
 ☐ Yes

Calculate Your 10-Year Risk

TOP

**Total cholesterol** - Total cholesterol is the sum of all the cholesterol in your blood. The higher your total cholesterol, the greater your risk for heart disease. Here are the total values that matter to you:

Less than 200 mg/dL 'Desirable' level that puts you at lower risk for heart disease. A cholesterol level of 200 mg/dL or greater increases your risk.

200 to 239 mg/dL 'Borderline-high.'

240 mg/dL and above 'High' blood cholesterol. A person with this level has more than twice the risk of heart disease compared to someone whose cholesterol is below 200 mg/dL.

TOP

**HDL cholesterol** - High density lipoproteins (HDL) is the 'good' cholesterol. HDL carry cholesterol in the blood from other parts of the body back to the liver, which leads to its removal from the body. So HDL help keep cholesterol

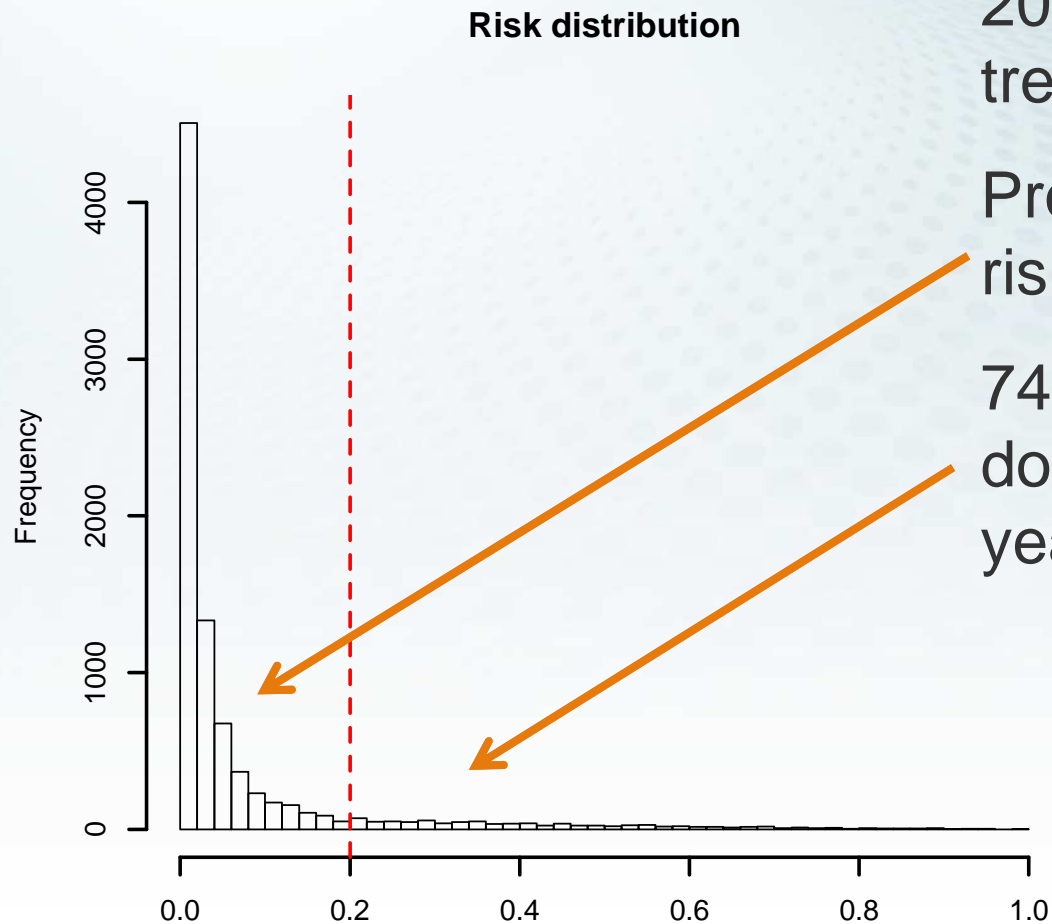
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# CHD prevention based on traditional risk factors



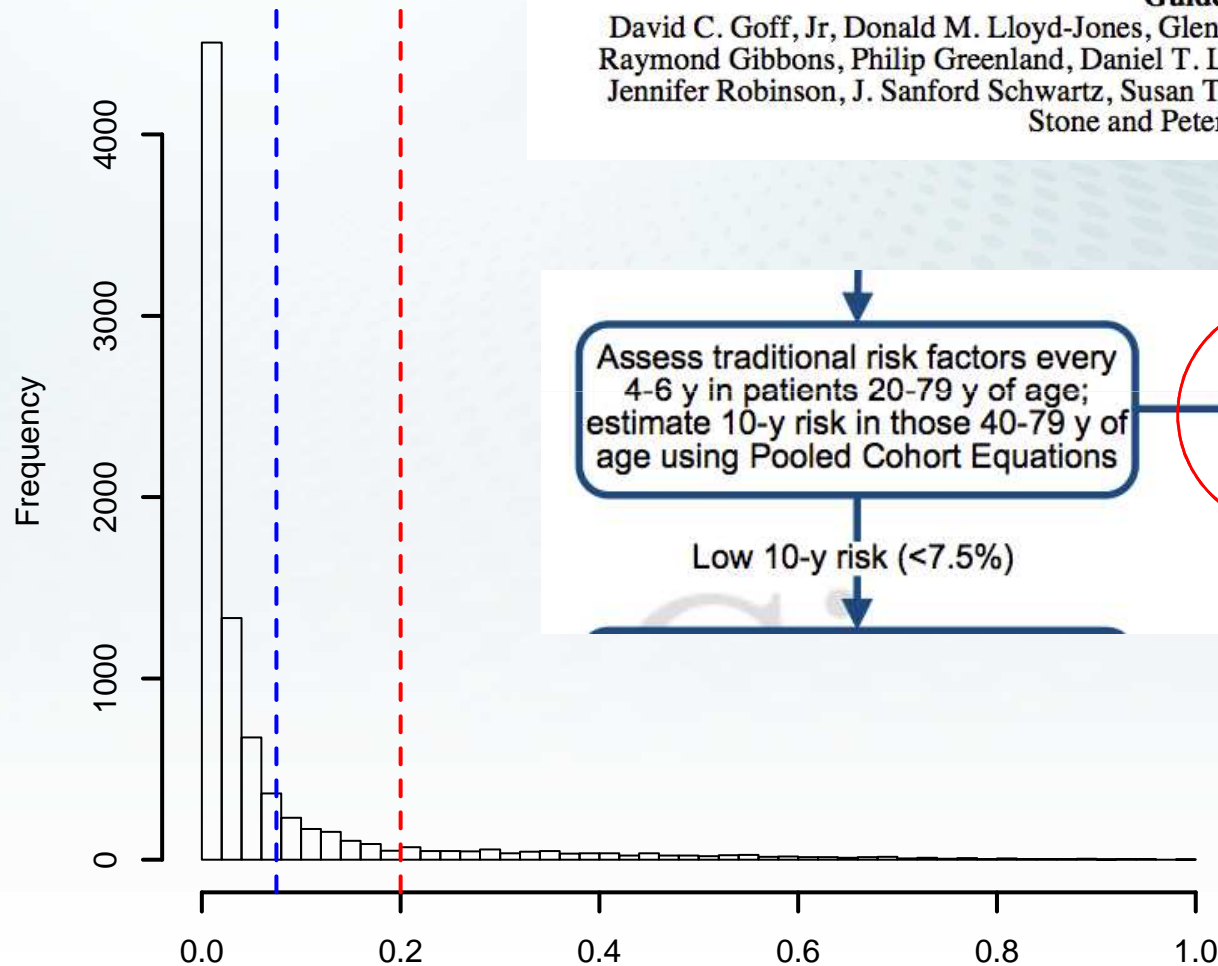
2008 guidelines: statin treatment for those  $>20\%$  risk

Problem: 83% of cases have risk  $< 20\%$

74% of those with risk  $>20\%$  do not get the disease (in 10 years)

## 2013 ACC/AHA Guideline on the Assessment of Cardiovascular Risk: A Report of the American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association Task Force on Practice Guidelines

David C. Goff, Jr, Donald M. Lloyd-Jones, Glen Bennett, Sean Coady, Ralph B. D'Agostino, Sr, Raymond Gibbons, Philip Greenland, Daniel T. Lackland, Daniel Levy, Christopher J. O'Donnell, Jennifer Robinson, J. Sanford Schwartz, Susan T. Shero, Sidney C. Smith, Jr, Paul Sorlie, Neil J. Stone and Peter W.F. Wilson



Assess traditional risk factors every 4-6 y in patients 20-79 y of age; estimate 10-y risk in those 40-79 y of age using Pooled Cohort Equations

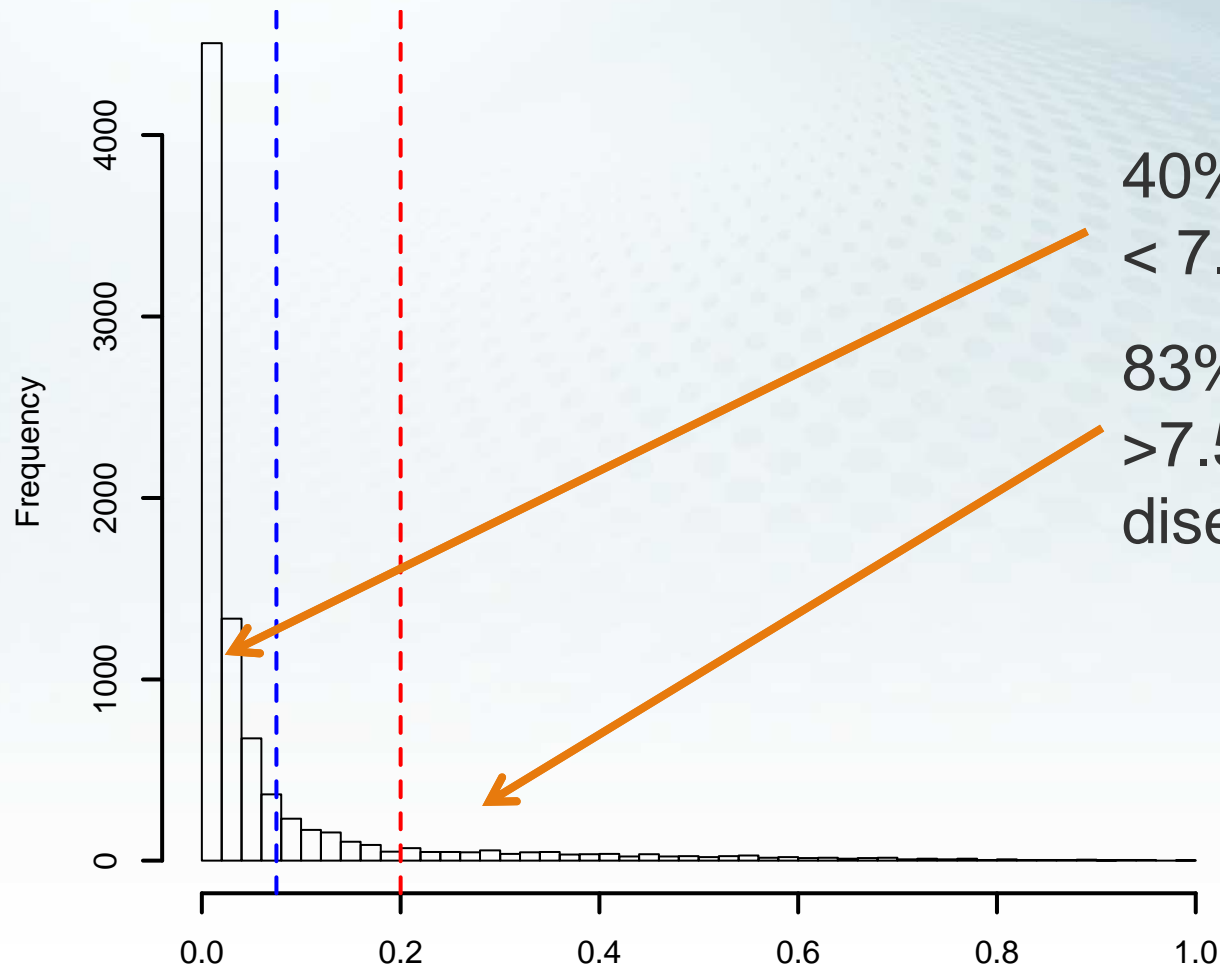
Elevated  
10-y risk  
( $\geq 7.5\%$ )

Communicate risk data and refer to AHA/ACC Prevention Guidelines

- Blood Cholesterol
- Obesity

Low 10-y risk ( $< 7.5\%$ )

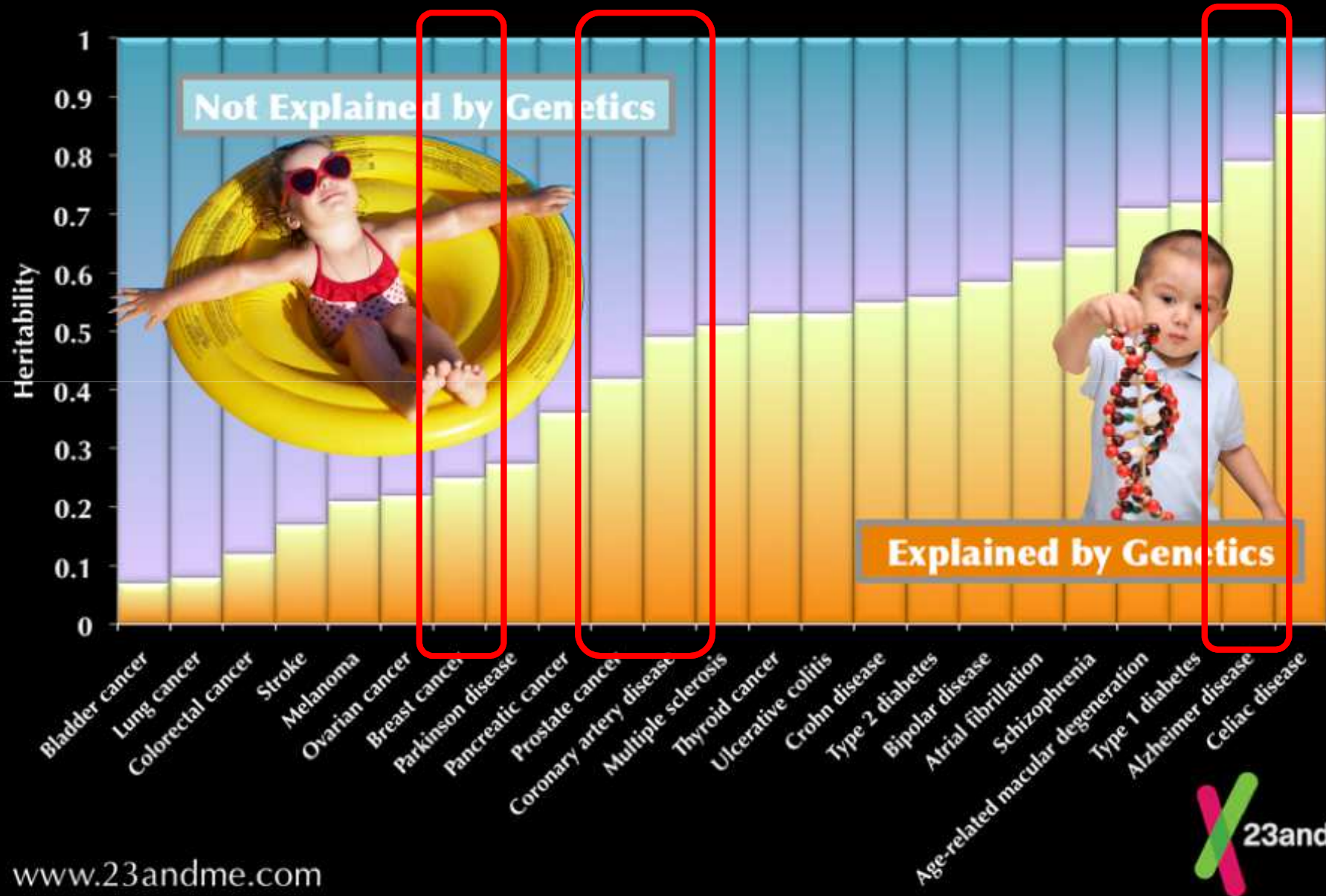
### Risk distribution



40% of cases have risk  
< 7.5%

83% of those with risk  
>7.5% do not get the  
disease (in 10 years)

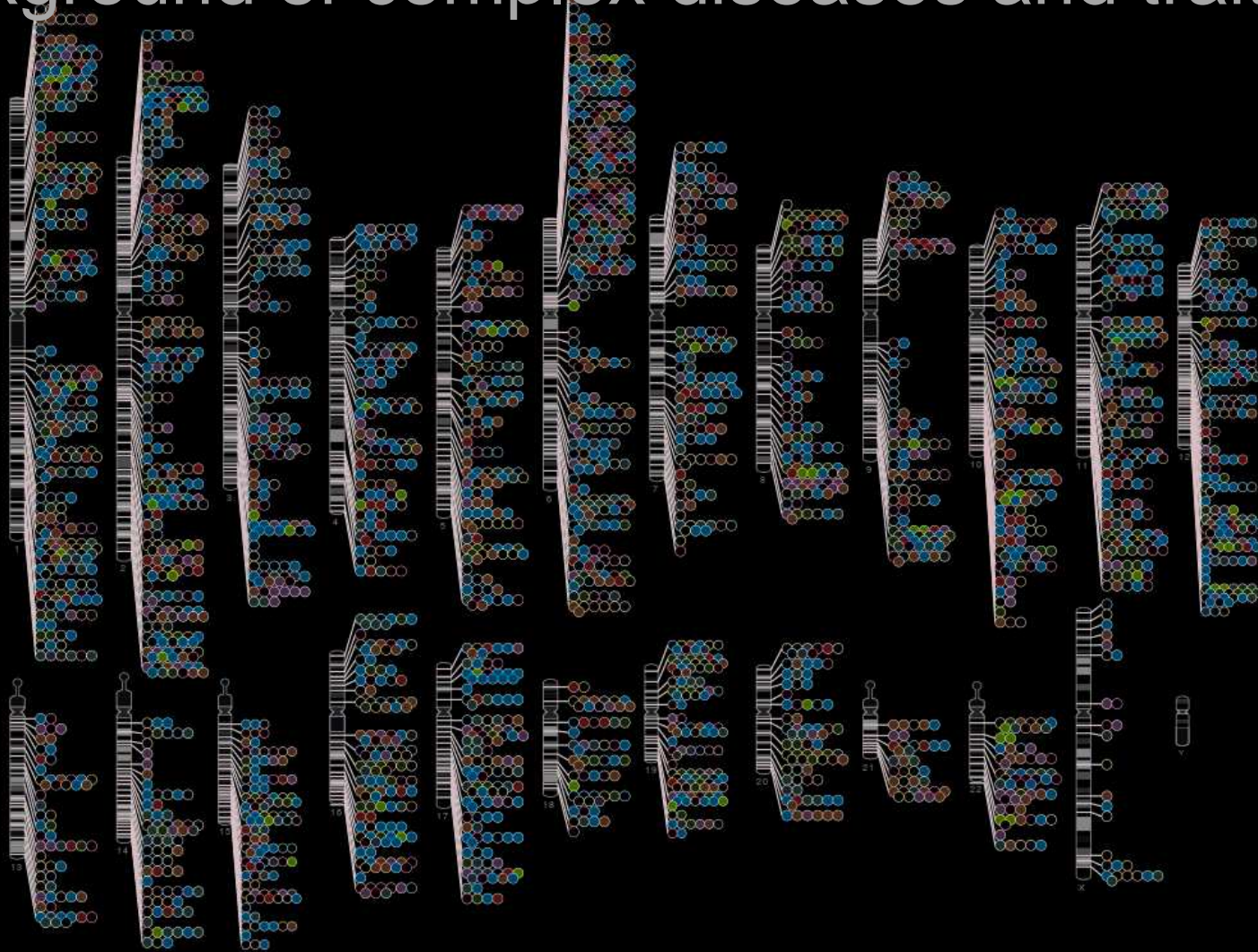
# How Heritable Is This Disease?



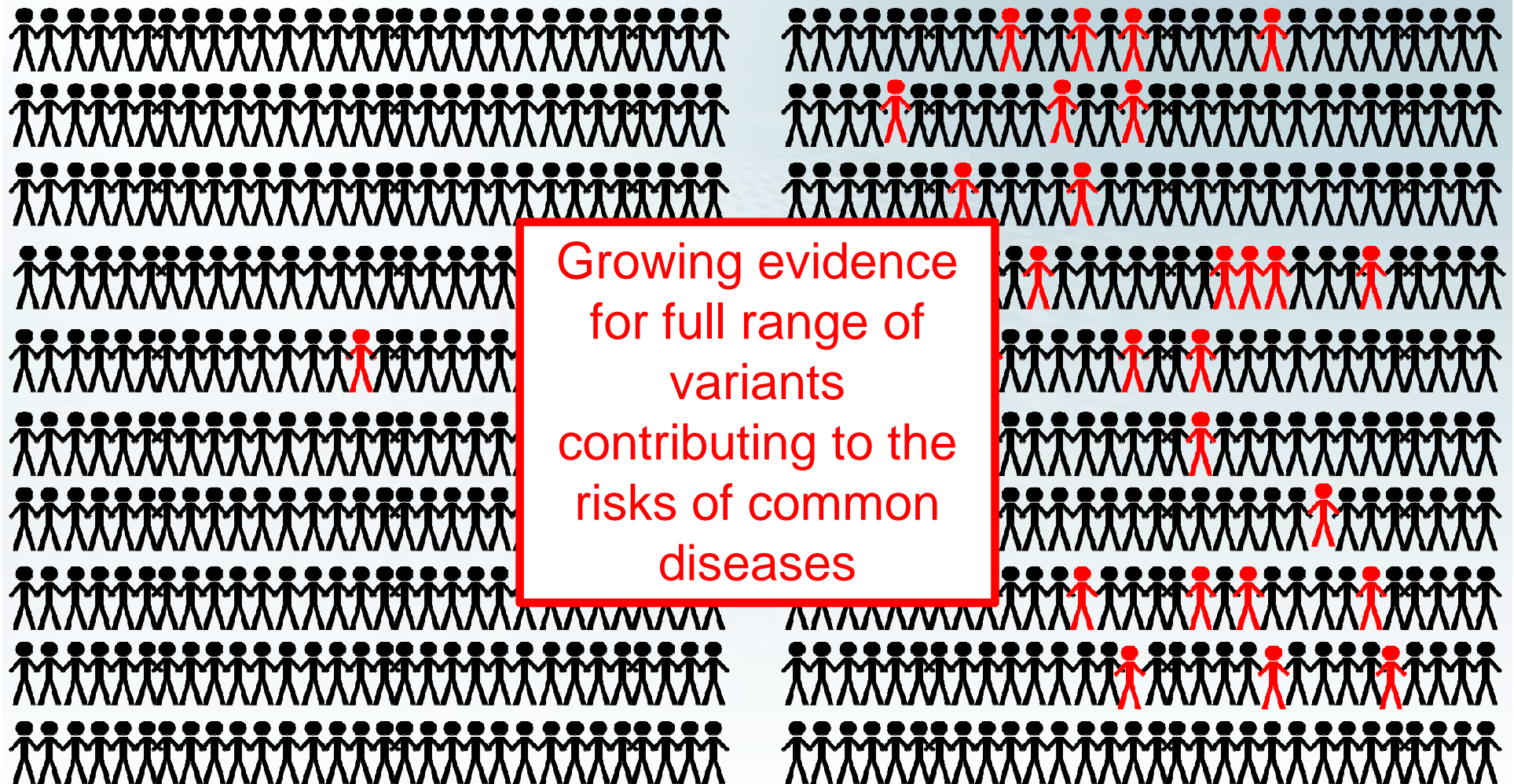


Genome-wide studies have provided unprecedented information about genetic background of complex diseases and traits

Modified from NHGRI / EBI GWAS Diagram Browser



# Rare high-impact vs. common low-impact variants



Single rare variant  
dominating the risk  
( $>5 \times$  risk,  $>0.5sd$ )

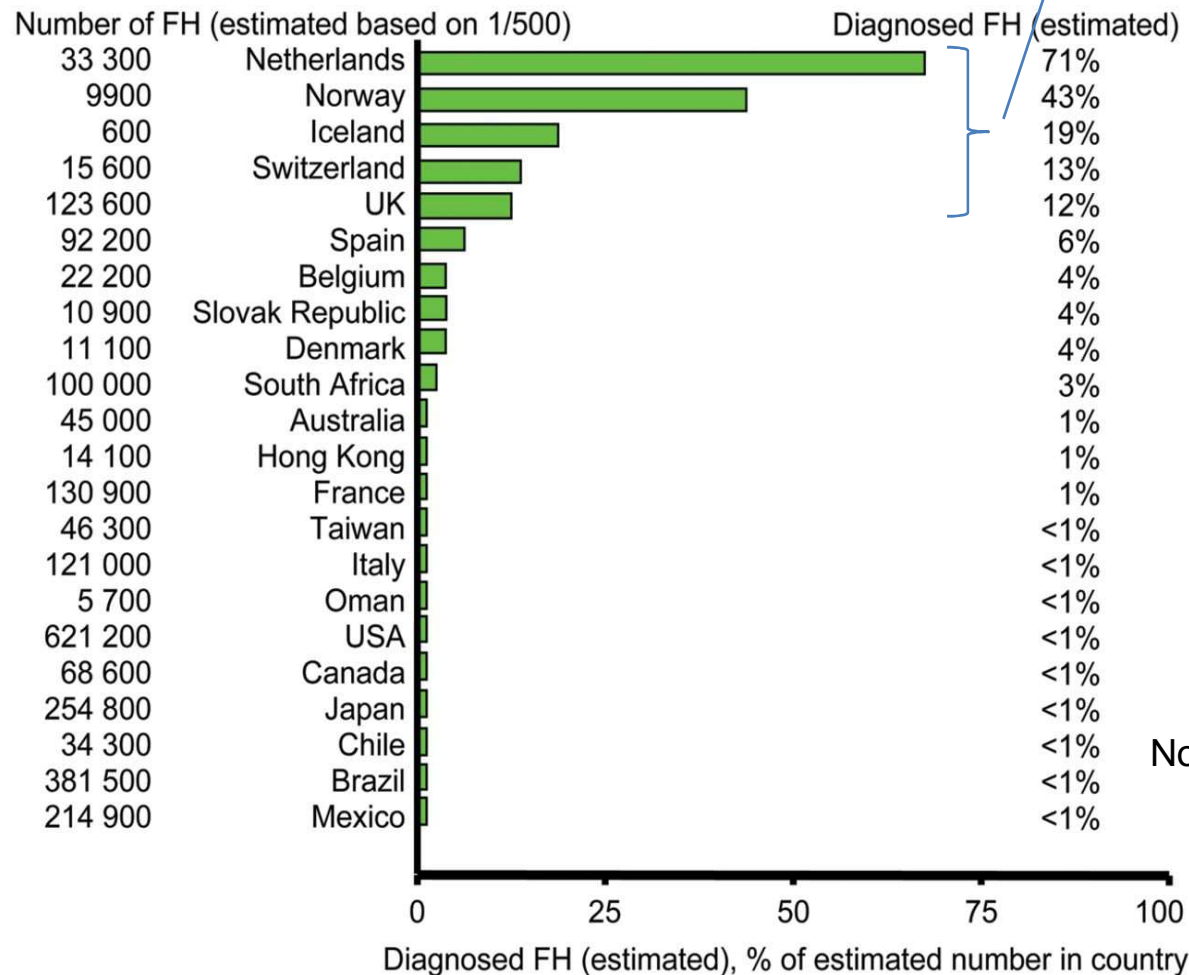
Multiple genetic and other risk  
factors contributing ( $<2 \times$  risk,  
 $<0.2sd$ )



## The evidence:

- **Familial hypercholesterolemia (FH) although frequent is underdiagnosed**

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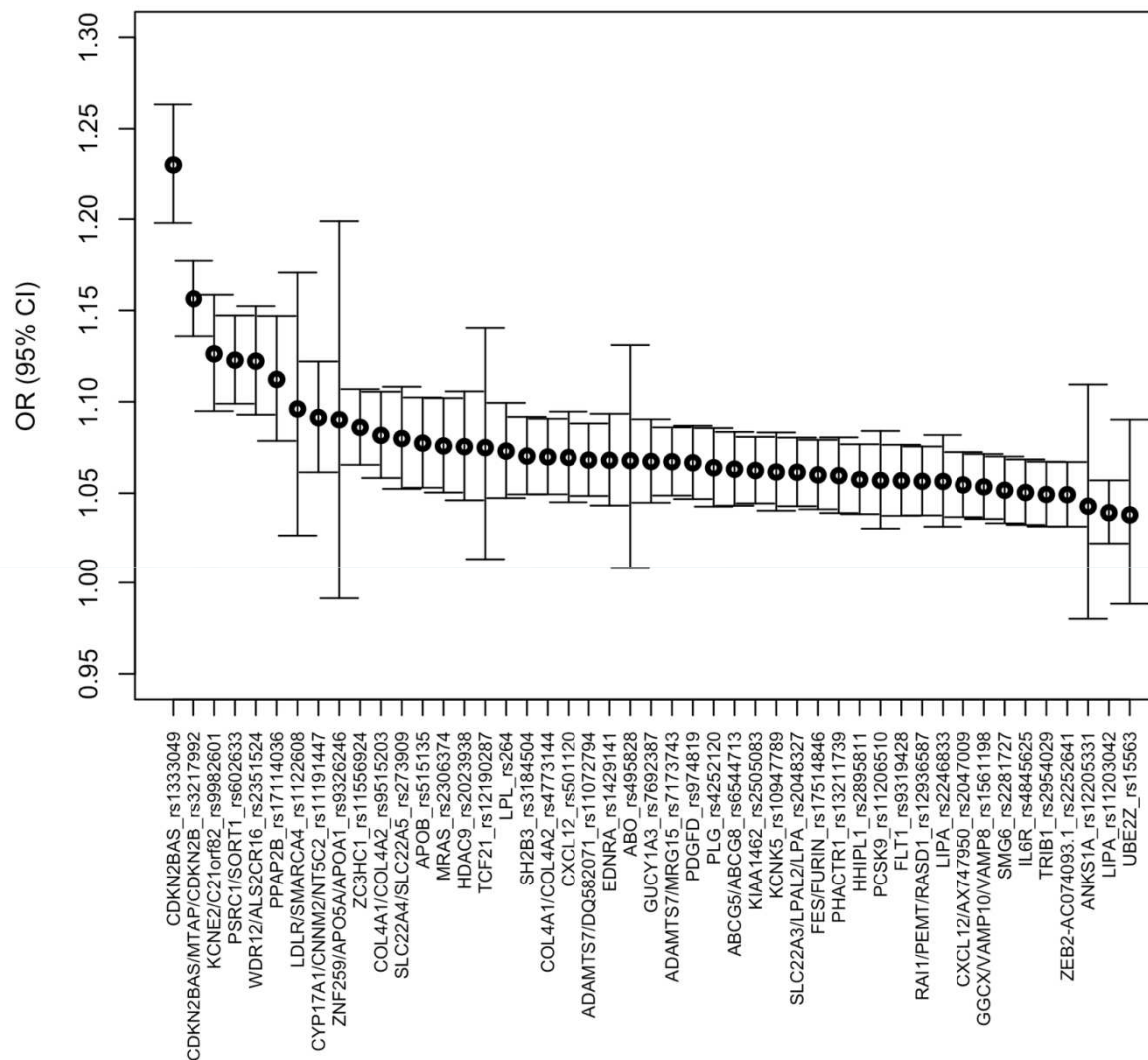


Finland:

10,000 – 20,000 undiagnosed FH cases

Nordenstgaard et al Eur Heart J 2013

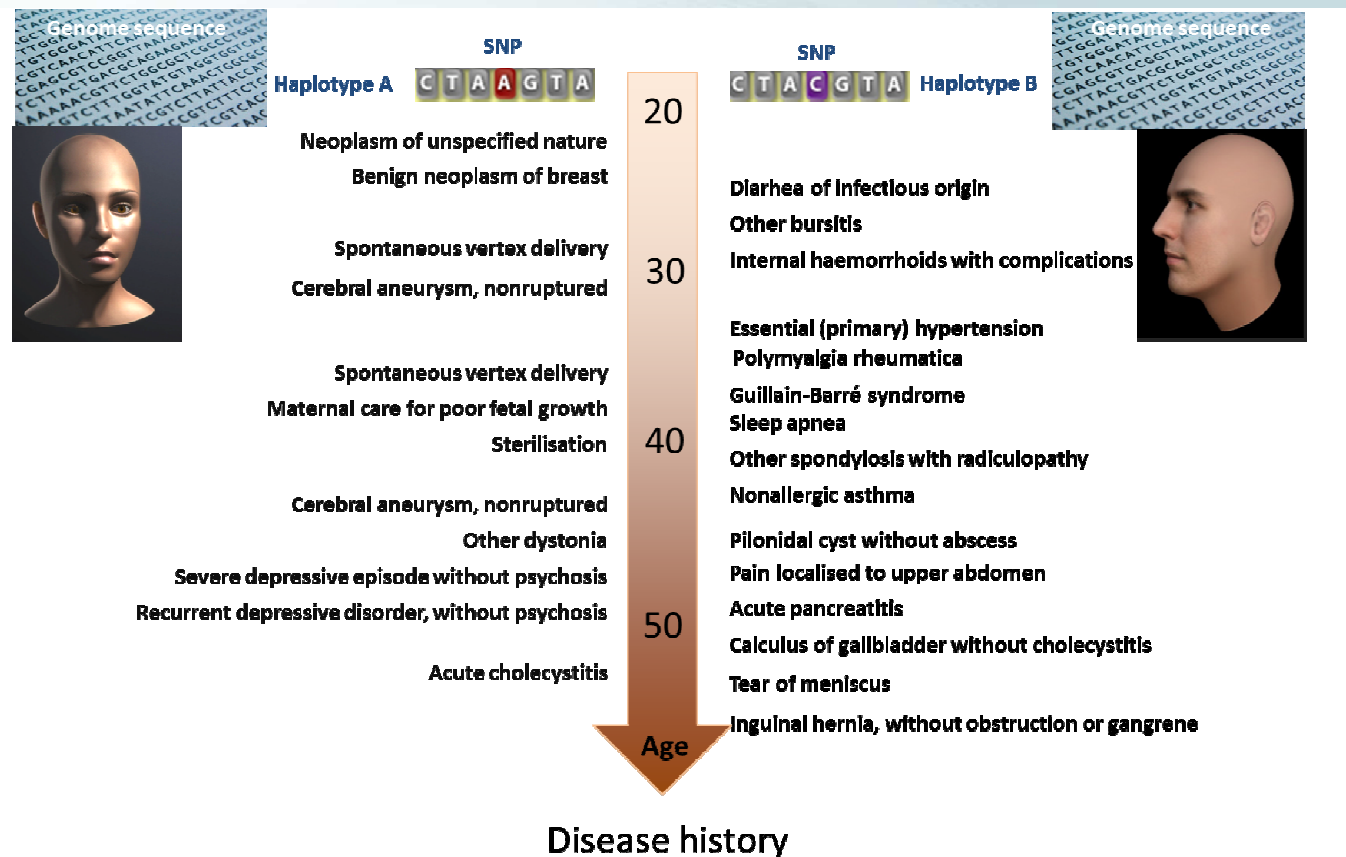
# CHD risk variants



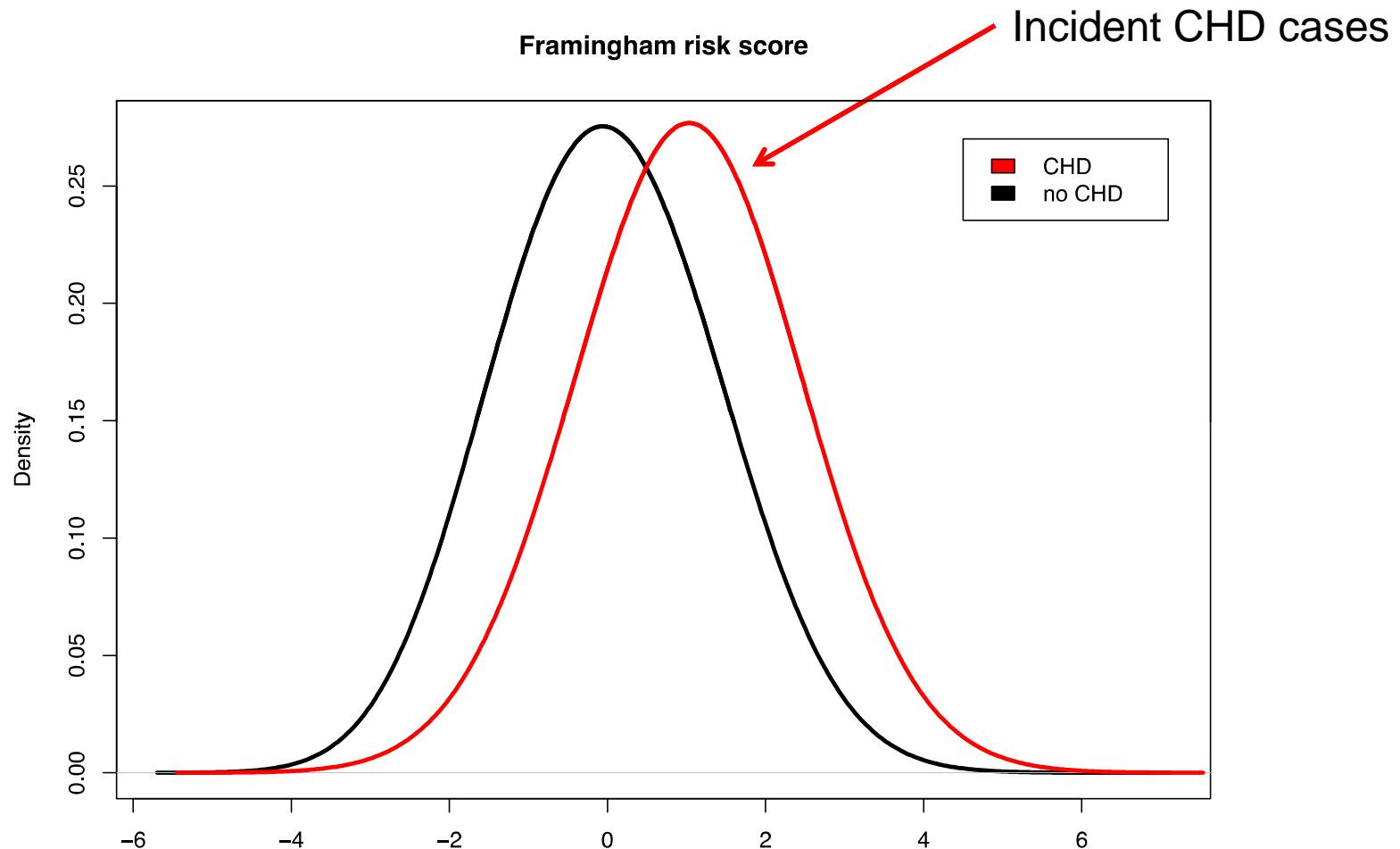
# How to use the genome in prevention?

1. Database: Large-scale prospective data with genomic screen and follow-up recordings of health
  2. Algorithms: to estimate the personalized risks
  3. Apps: to communicate the risk to individuals
- › Possibility to lower the risks through intervention

# 40 year health event follow-up through health registries



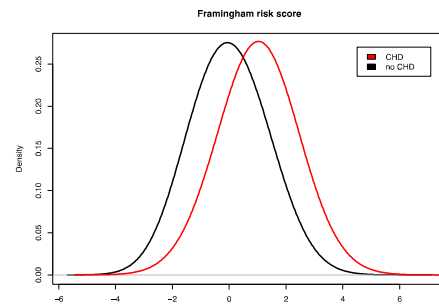
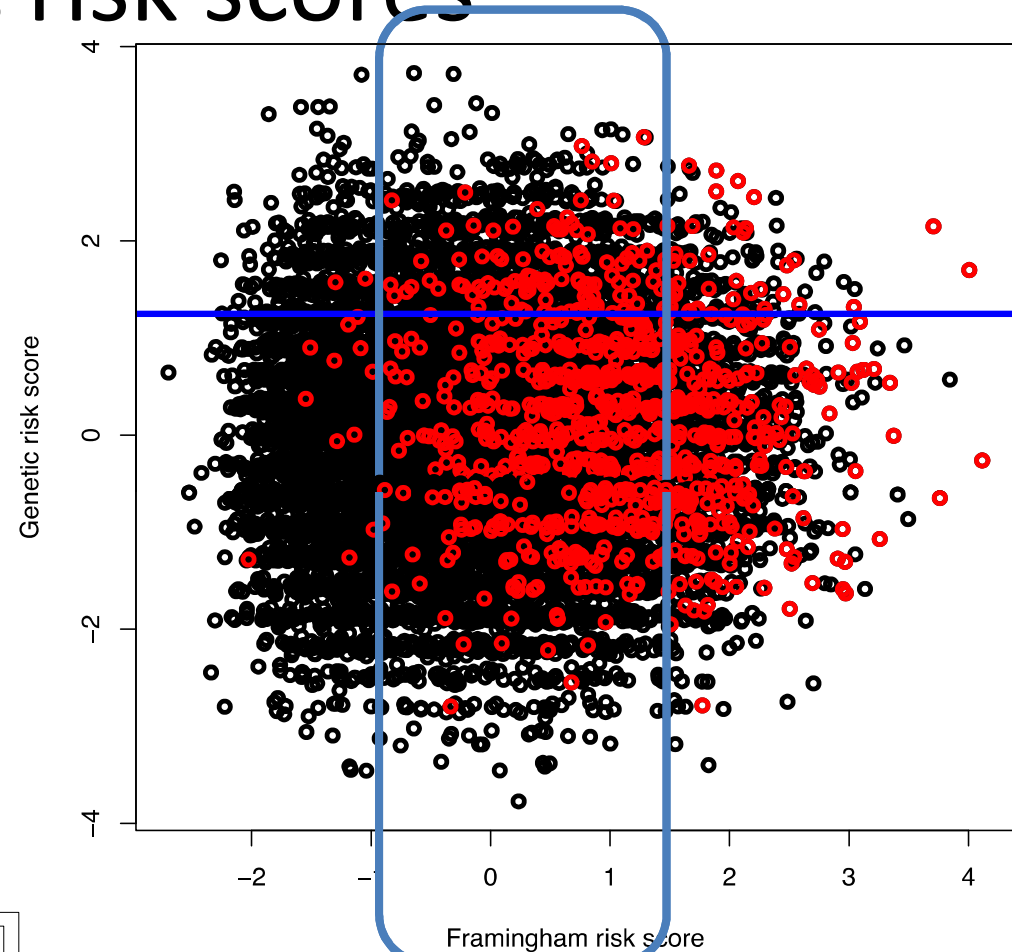
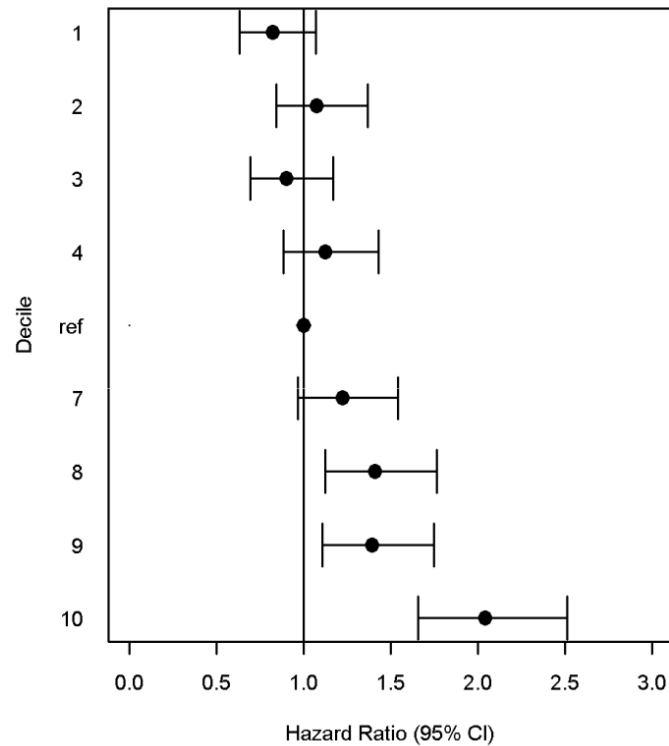
# Risk factor distributions overlapping



Framingham risk score at baseline:

age, sex, total cholesterol, HDL, BMI, systolic blood pressure, blood pressure treatment, current smoking status, diabetes mellitus, family history of CHD

# Predicting heart disease risk with genetic risk scores



Incident cases  
Non-cases

Refining the risk  
estimates using  
genetic data



# Examples

- › Using GRS on top of traditional risk factors

## 58-year-old female

### AGE

58

#### Baseline examination

Total cholesterol 5.0

HDL cholesterol 1.4

Systolic blood pressure 169, treated

Non-smoker

No diabetes

No family history of CVD

→CHD risk 13.7%

High genetic risk score

→CHD risk 21%

70

S422 Fracture of upper end of humerus

73

N179 Acute kidney failure, unspecified

**I2141 Non-ST elevation (NSTEMI) myocardial infarction**

I509 Heart failure, unspecified

# KardioKompassi: communicating risk to citizens



## My Measurements

↓ Personal Info Male, Age 45 Smoker CHD in Family

Age ⓘ  
45 years

Gender ⓘ

Smoking ⓘ

Family History of CHD ⓘ

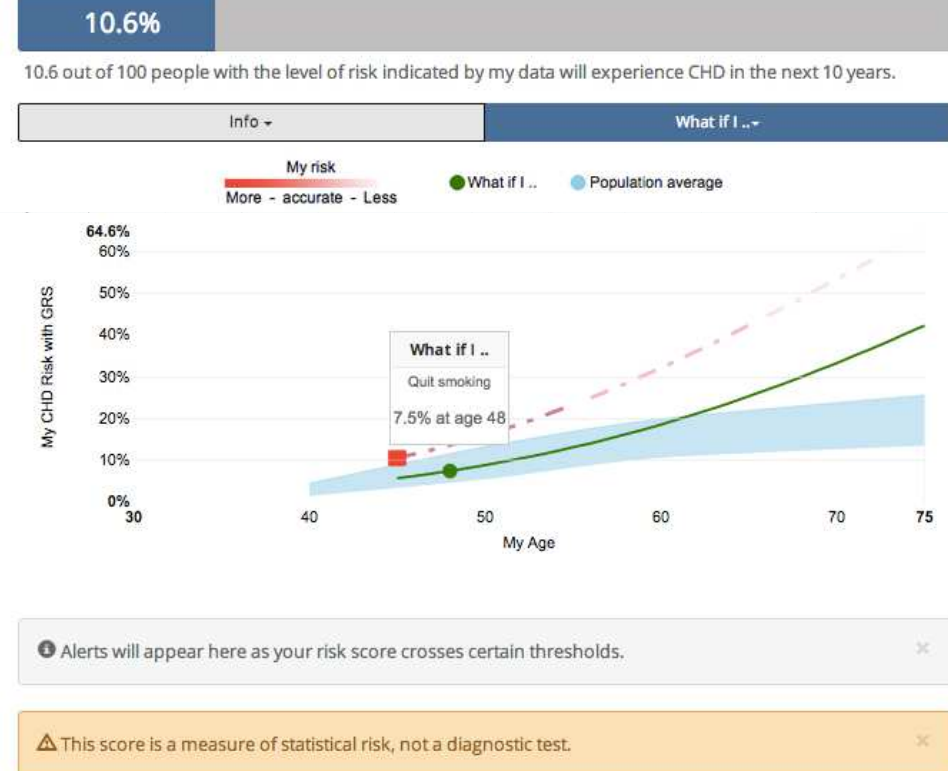
Diabetes ⓘ

↓ Blood Pressure Sys. Blood Pressure 145 Treated for Blood Pressure

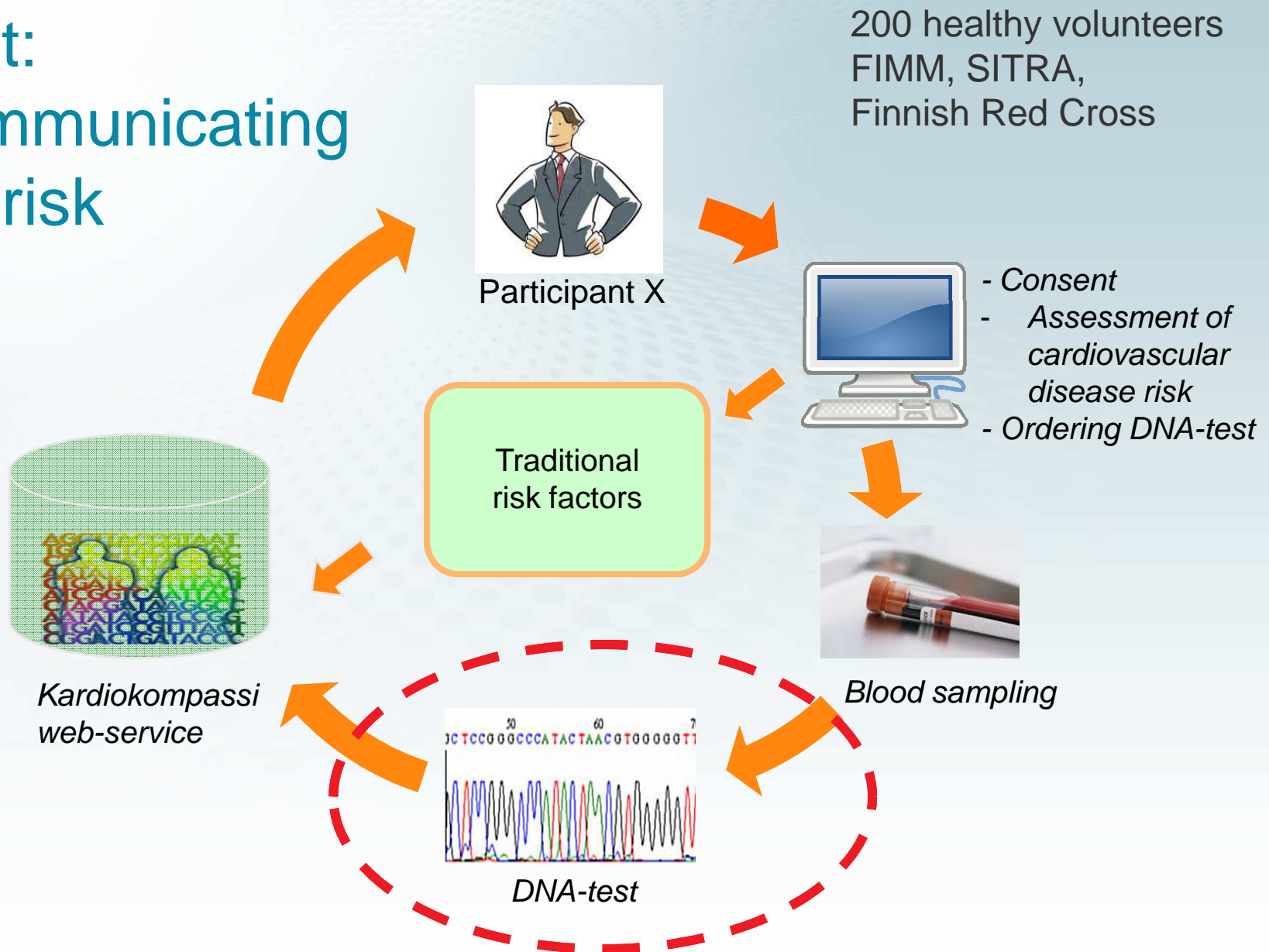
↓ Cholesterol Total chol. mmol/l 5.8 HDL chol. mmol/l 1.4

↓ Genetic Risk Genetic Risk Score (GRS) 1.28

## My CHD Risk + GRS



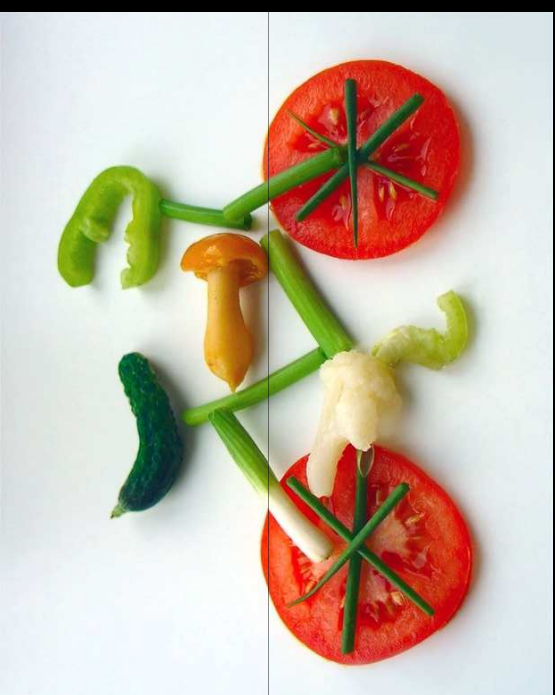
# Pilot: Communicating the risk





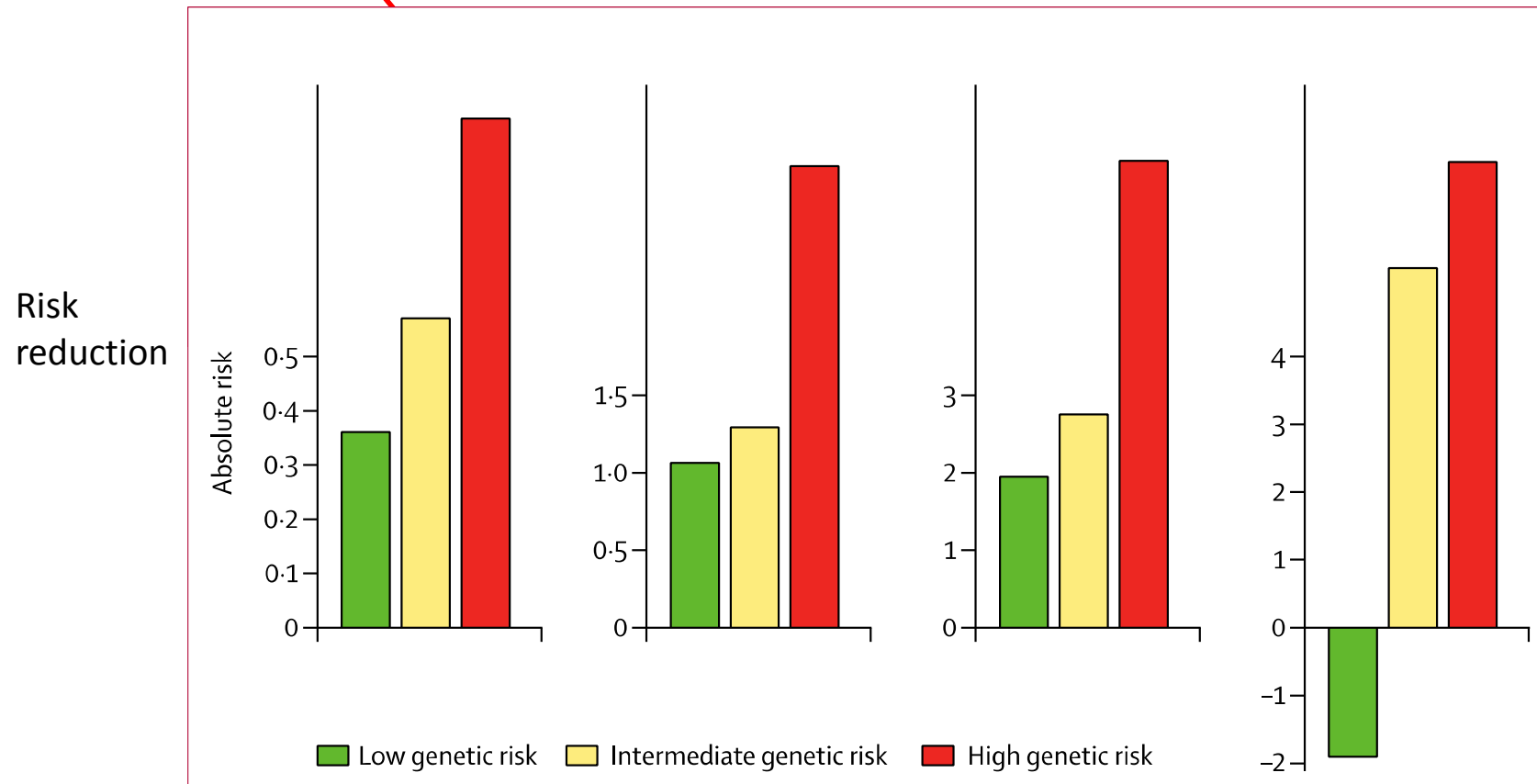
## OPINIONS ABOUT THE KARDIOKOMPASSI APPLICATION

		Disagree (%)	No opinion (%)	Agree (%)
I learned useful information regarding my health	males	16	4	<b>80</b>
	females	12.7	12.7	<b>74.5</b>
My personal disease risk information was reassuring	males	12	28	60
	females	26.5	25.5	48.1
My personal disease risk information motivated me to take better care of my health	males	12	24	64
	females	11.8	25.5	62.6
The information I received was worrying	males	64	32	4
	females	65.7	16.7	17.7
The information I received was interesting	males	0	4	<b>96</b>
	females	3.9	5.9	<b>90.2</b>
My personal genetic risk information was confusing	males	52	32	16
	females	60.8	24.5	14.7
I was indifferent to the information provided on my personal genetic risk	males	84	12	4
	females	83.3	9.8	6.9
The information on my genetic risk, in particular, motivated me to take better care of my health	males	12	24	<b>64</b>
	females	16.7	18.6	<b>64.7</b>



# Evidence for strong statin response in high genetic risk group

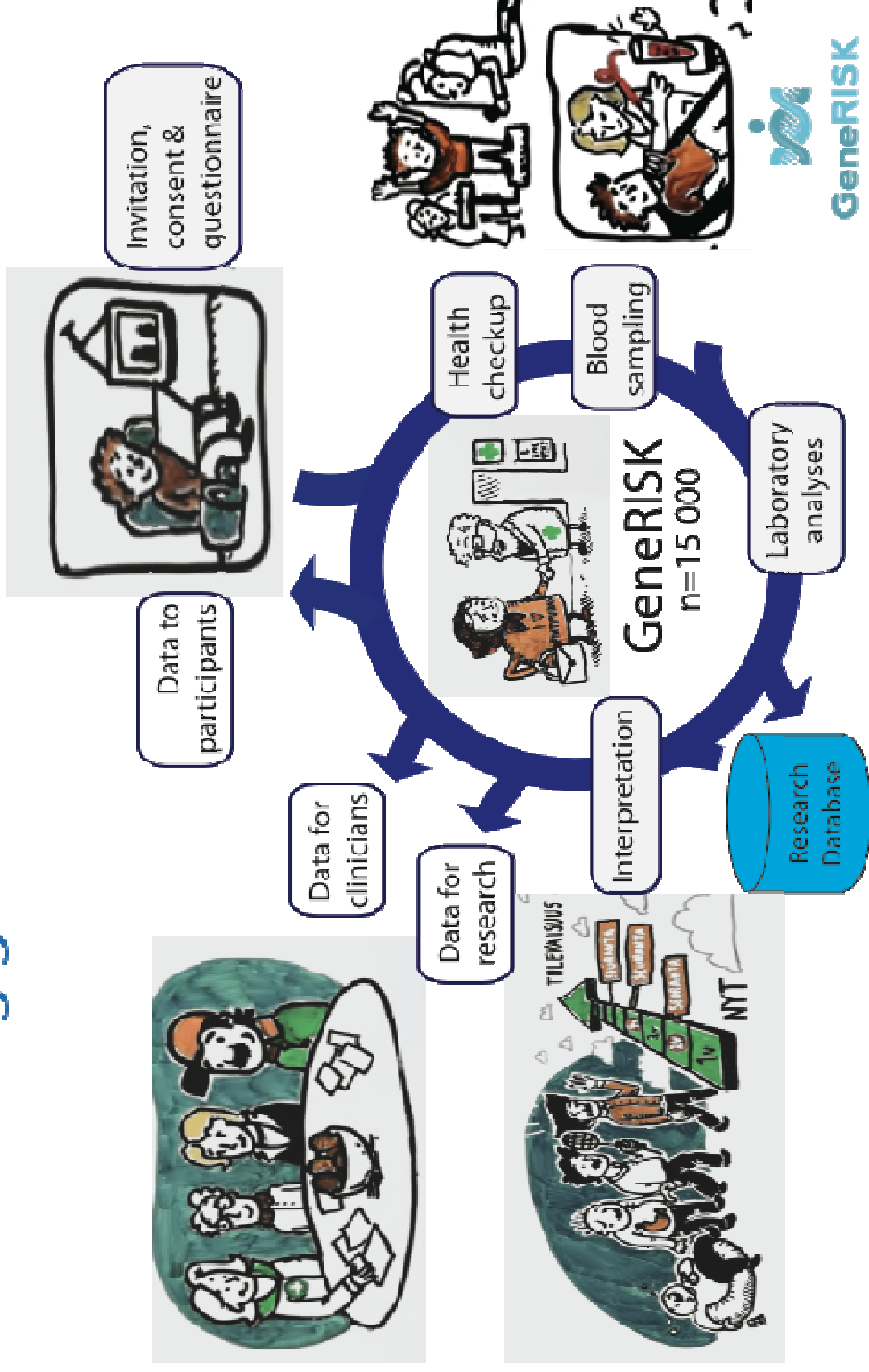
High genetic risk



**Figure 3: Absolute risk reductions of coronary heart disease events with statin therapy across genetic risk score categories**



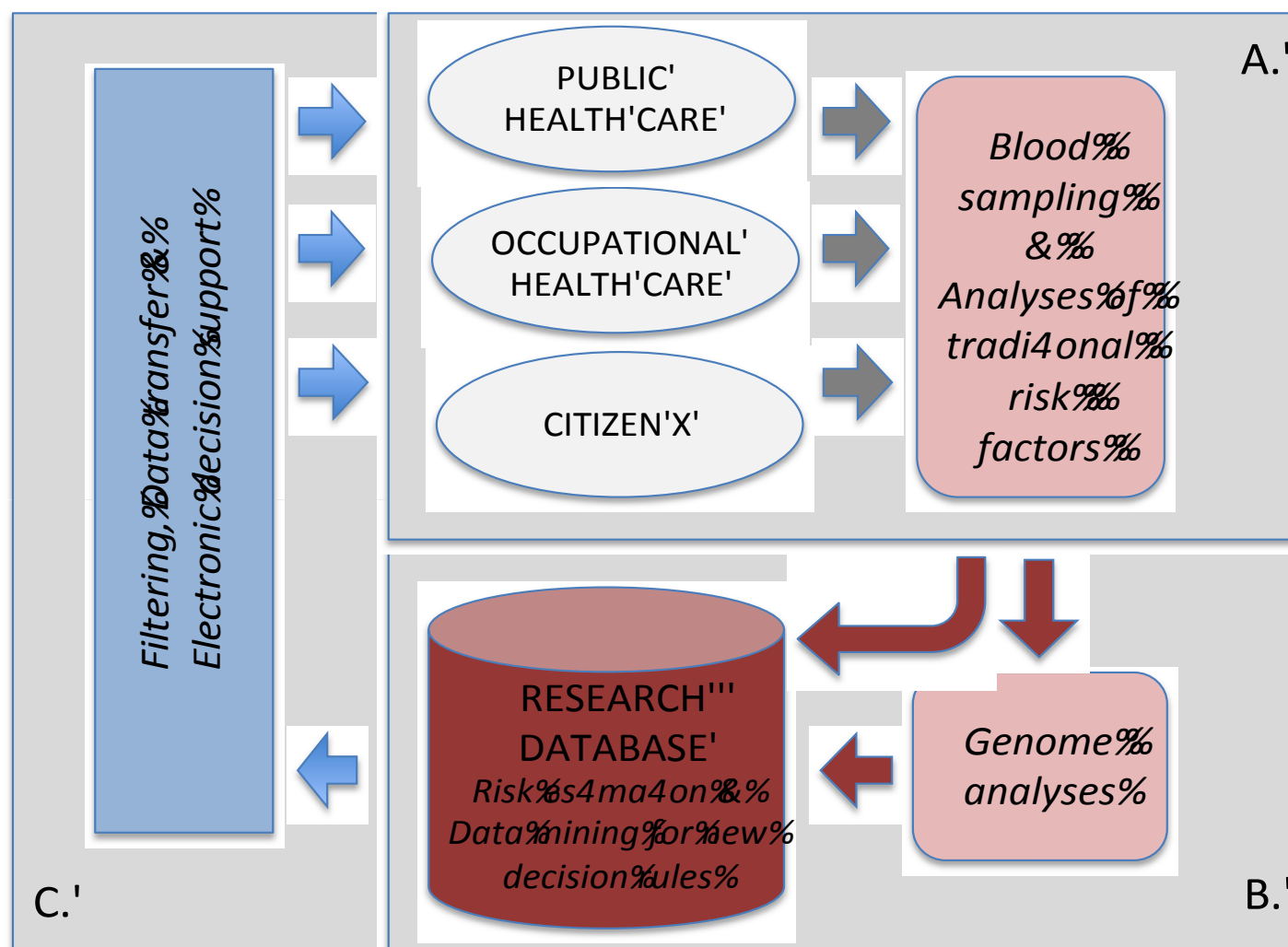
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**GeneRISK**

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