

# Update of hypertension

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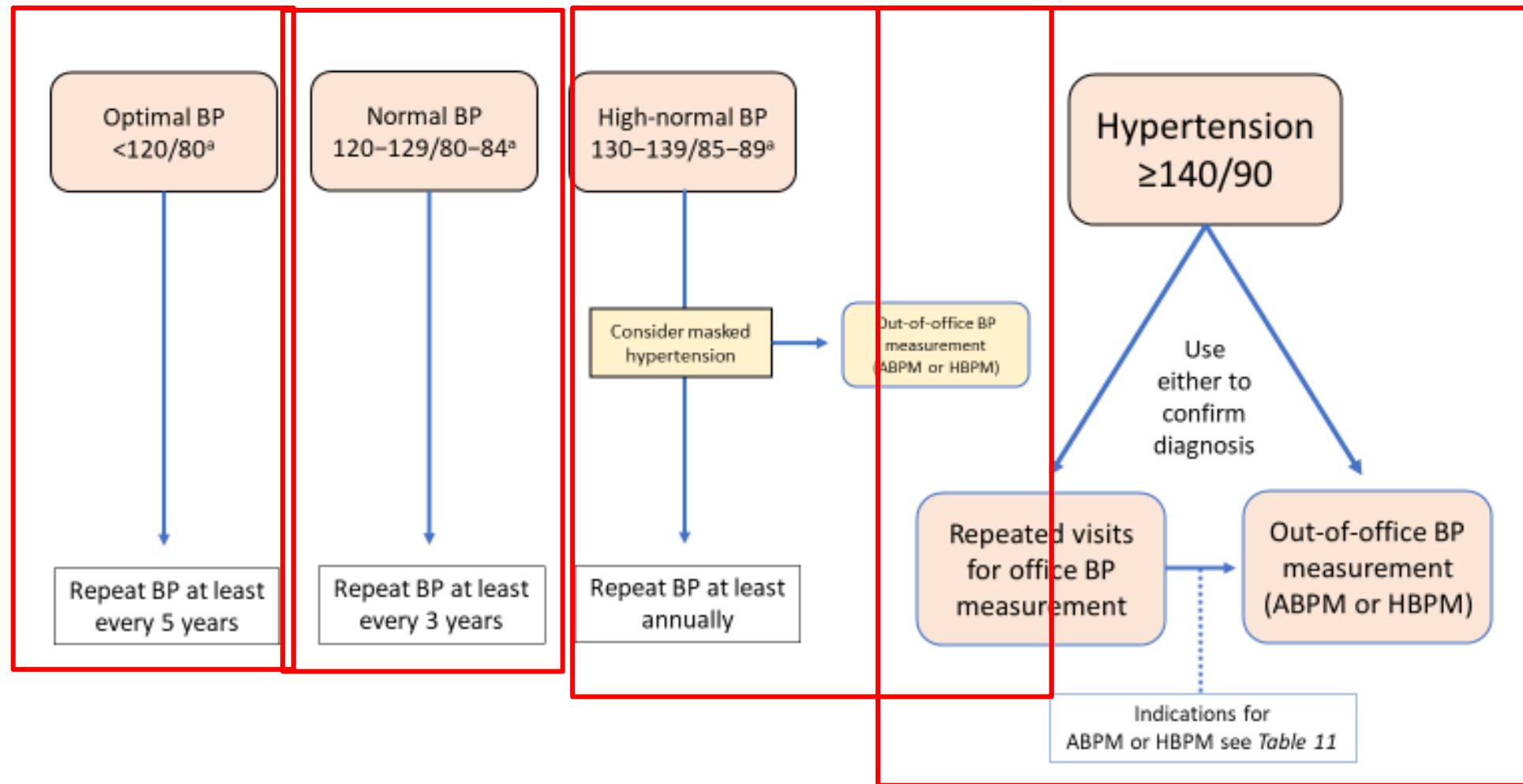
1. Be updated on the current recommendations for diagnosis and treatment of hypertension
2. Be able to make optimal treatment decisions for hypertensive patients
3. Be aware of the comprehensive approach needed to prevent cardiovascular disease

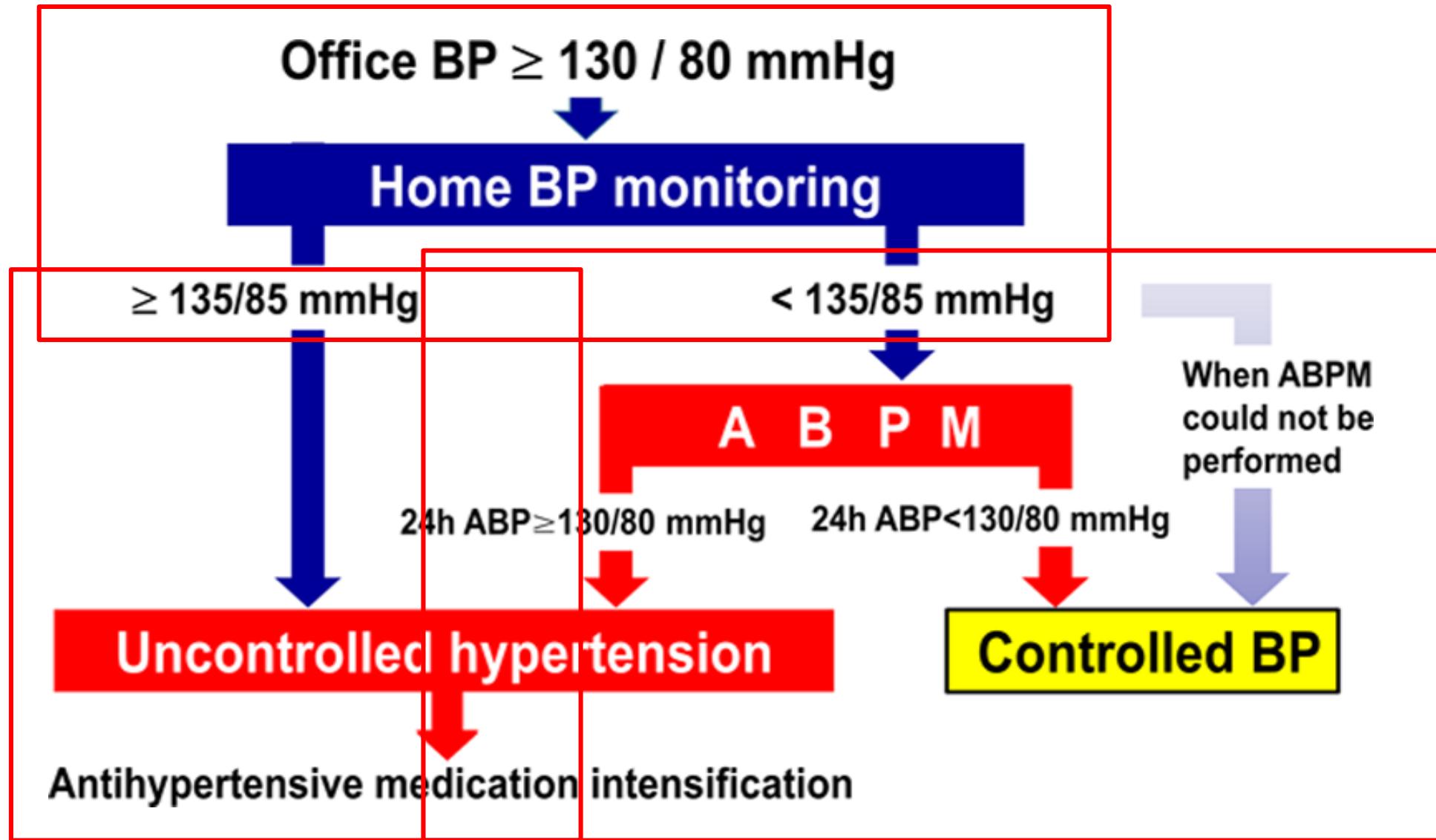
# 2018 ESC/ESH Guidelines for the management of arterial hypertension

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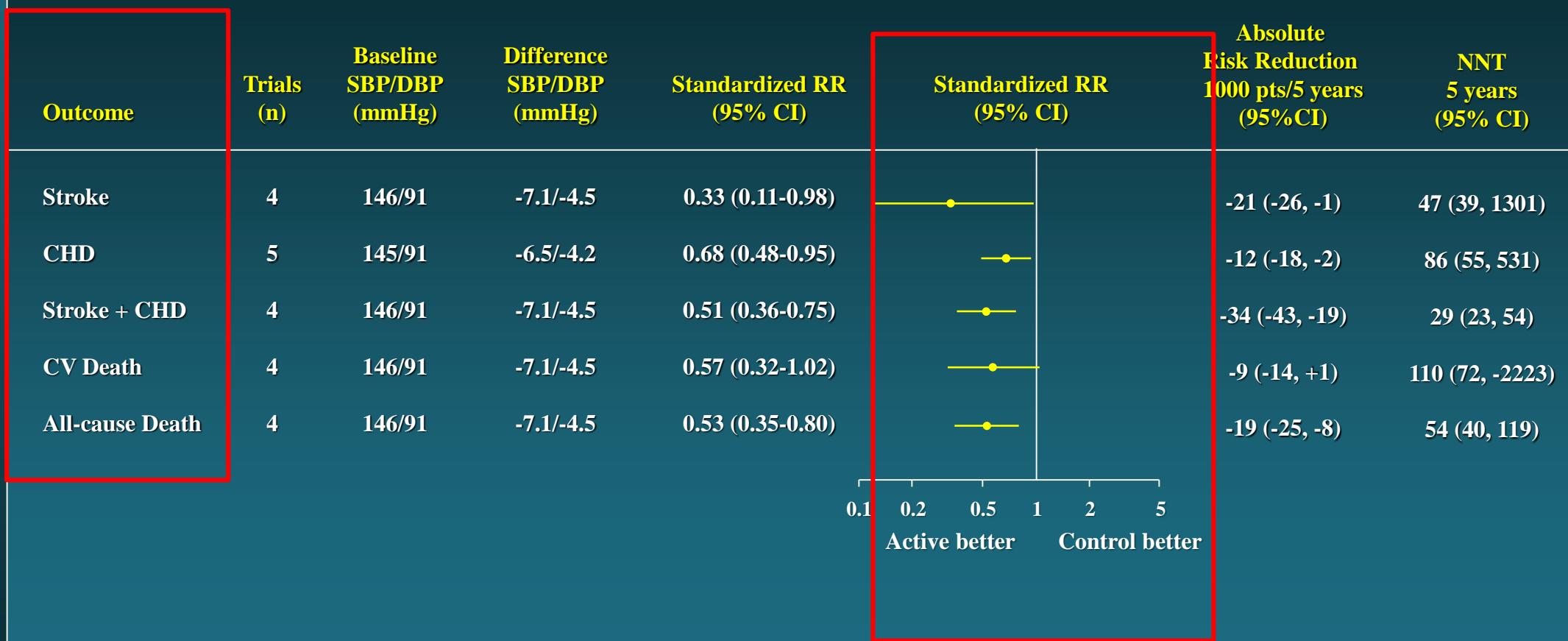
# Screening and diagnosis of hypertension



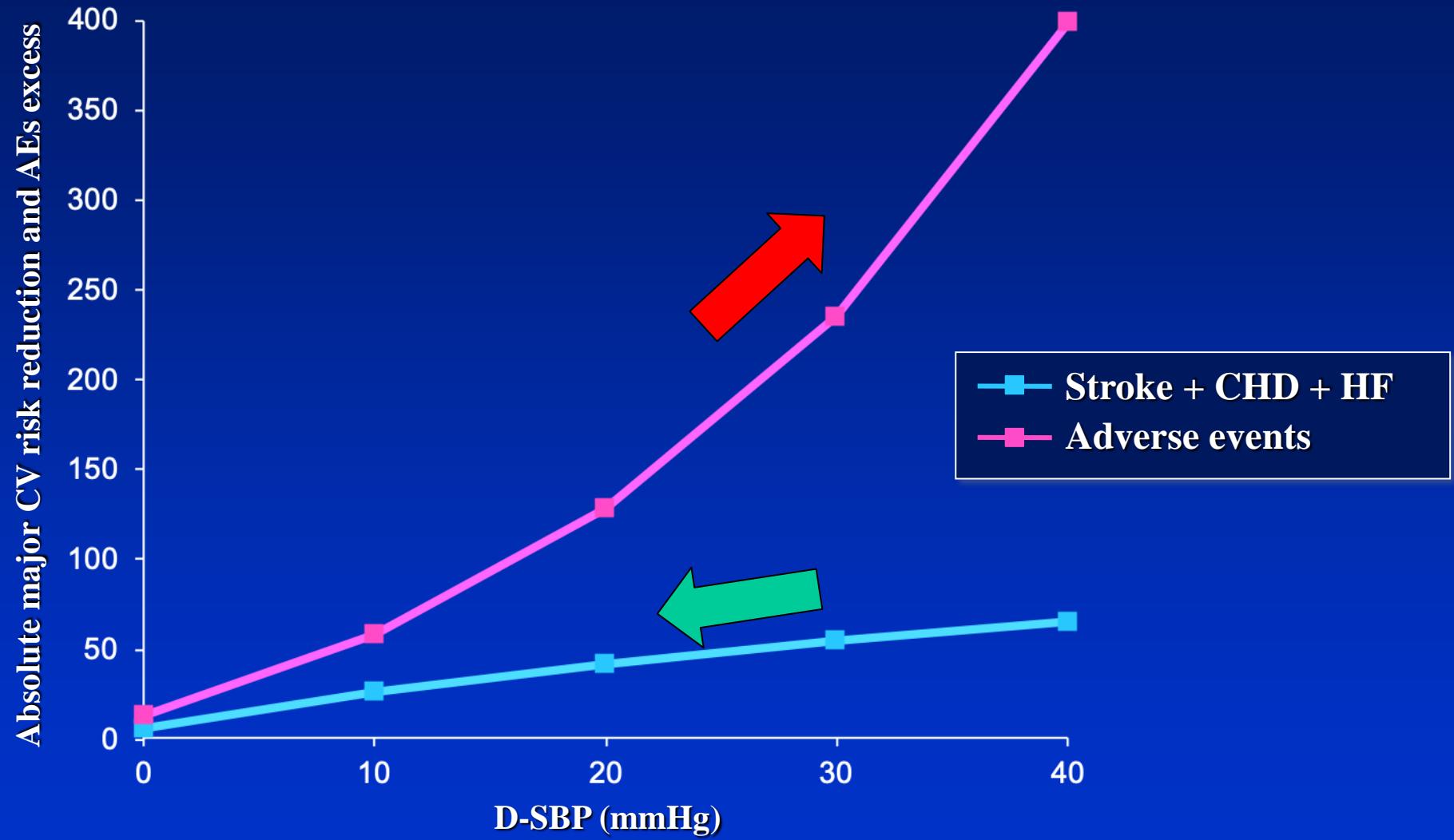


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## Effects of BP Lowering (10/5 mmHg SBP/DBP) in Trials with Average Baseline BP in Grade 1 and Average Low-to-Moderate CV Risk



## Relationships of Numbers of Outcomes Prevented and Numbers of Excess in Treatment Discontinuations\* to the Extent of SBP Reductions



\* Attributed to treatment adverse events

# Office BP treatment targets in hypertensive patients - General Recommendations

## Class / Level

- The first objective of treatment should be to lower BP to **<140/90** mmHg in all patients IA
- If treatment is well tolerated, BP should be targeted to **130/80** mmHg or lower in most patients IA

# Office BP treatment target ranges

Age group	Office SBP treatment target ranges (mmHg)					Diastolic treatment target range (mmHg)
	Hypertension	+ Diabetes	+ CKD	+ CAD	+ Stroke/TIA	
18–65 years	<b>Target to 130</b> <i>or lower if tolerated</i> Not < 120	<b>Target to 130</b> <i>or lower if tolerated</i> Not < 120	<b>Target to &lt; 140 to 130</b> <i>if tolerated</i>	<b>Target to 130</b> <i>or lower if tolerated</i> Not < 120	<b>Target to 130</b> <i>or lower if tolerated</i> Not < 120	< 80 to 70
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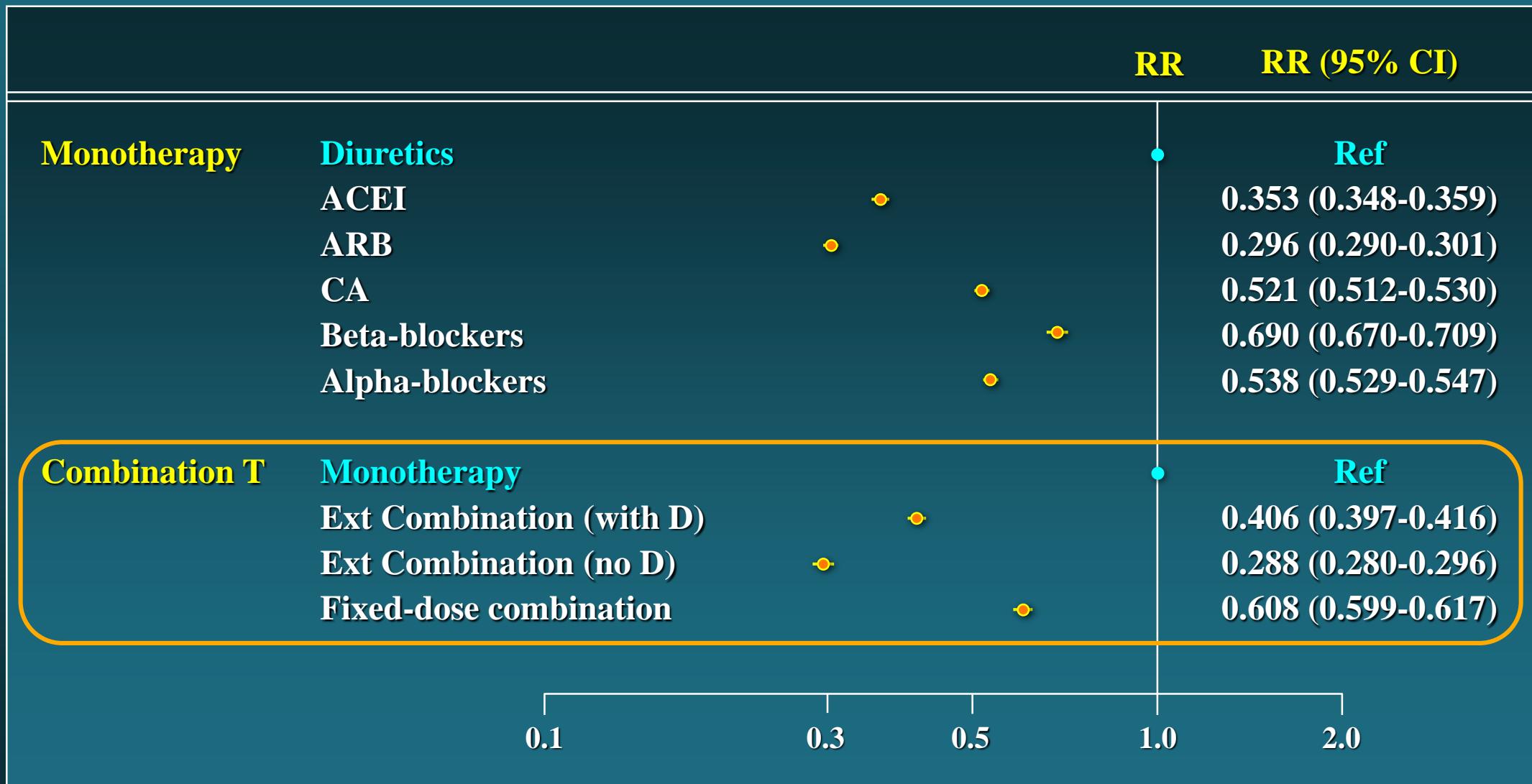
# Drugs for the treatment of hypertension

- Five drug classes (ACEIs/ARBs/BBs/CCBs/Ds) have evidence of:
  - Proven ability to reduce BP
  - CV event reduction in placebo-controlled studies
  - Broad equivalence on overall CV morbidity/mortality
- These Guidelines recommend that the same 5 classes of drugs should form the basis of antihypertensive therapy

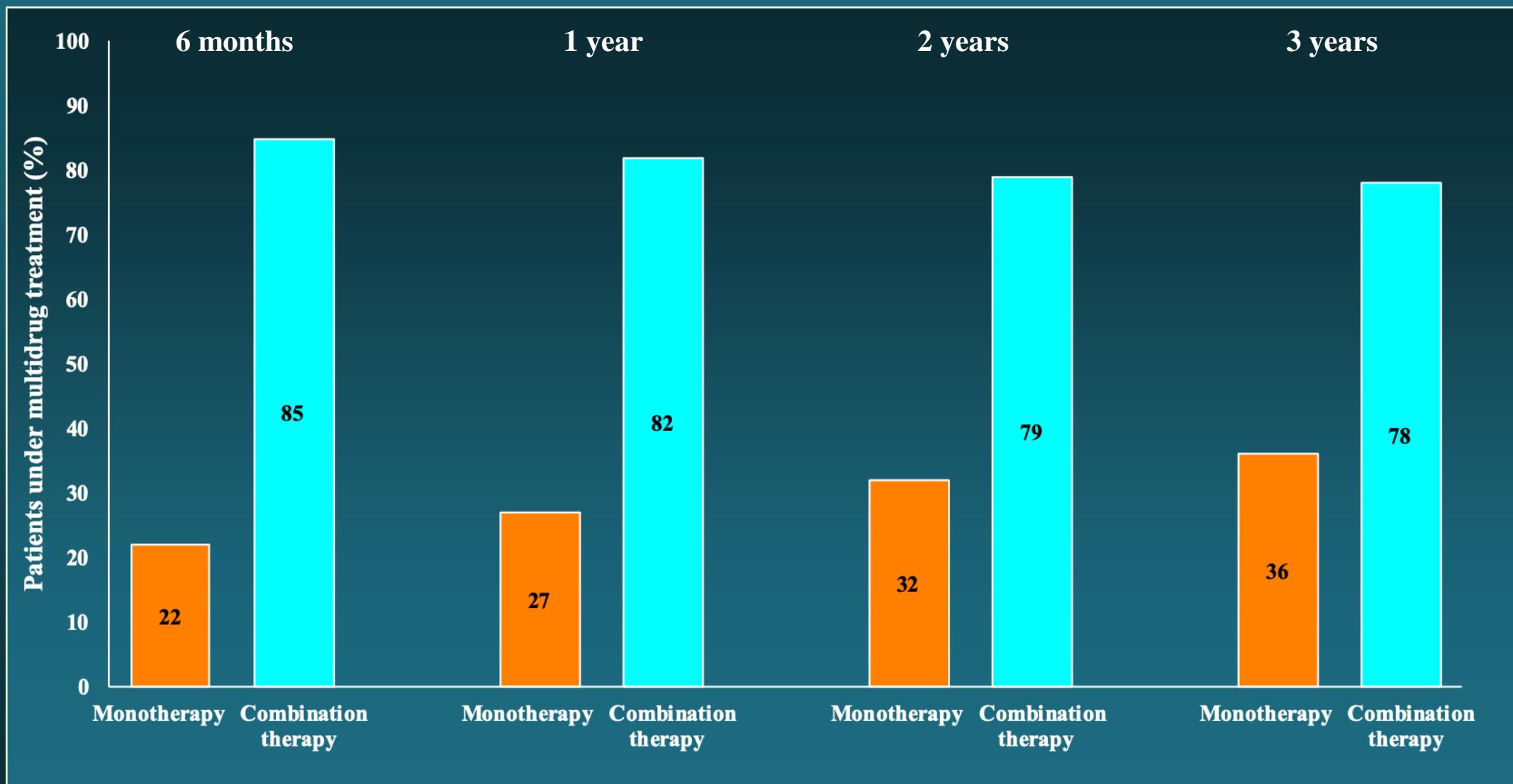
# Initial monotherapy invariably recommended by GLs

- Increasing dose of initial monotherapy (side effects/ineffective)
- Substitution with another monotherapy ( time consuming/low adherence/ineffective)
- Stepped-case approach,i.e.monotherapy with sequential addition of other drugs (patients remain in monotherapy or stop treatment due to therapeutic inertia/low adherence)

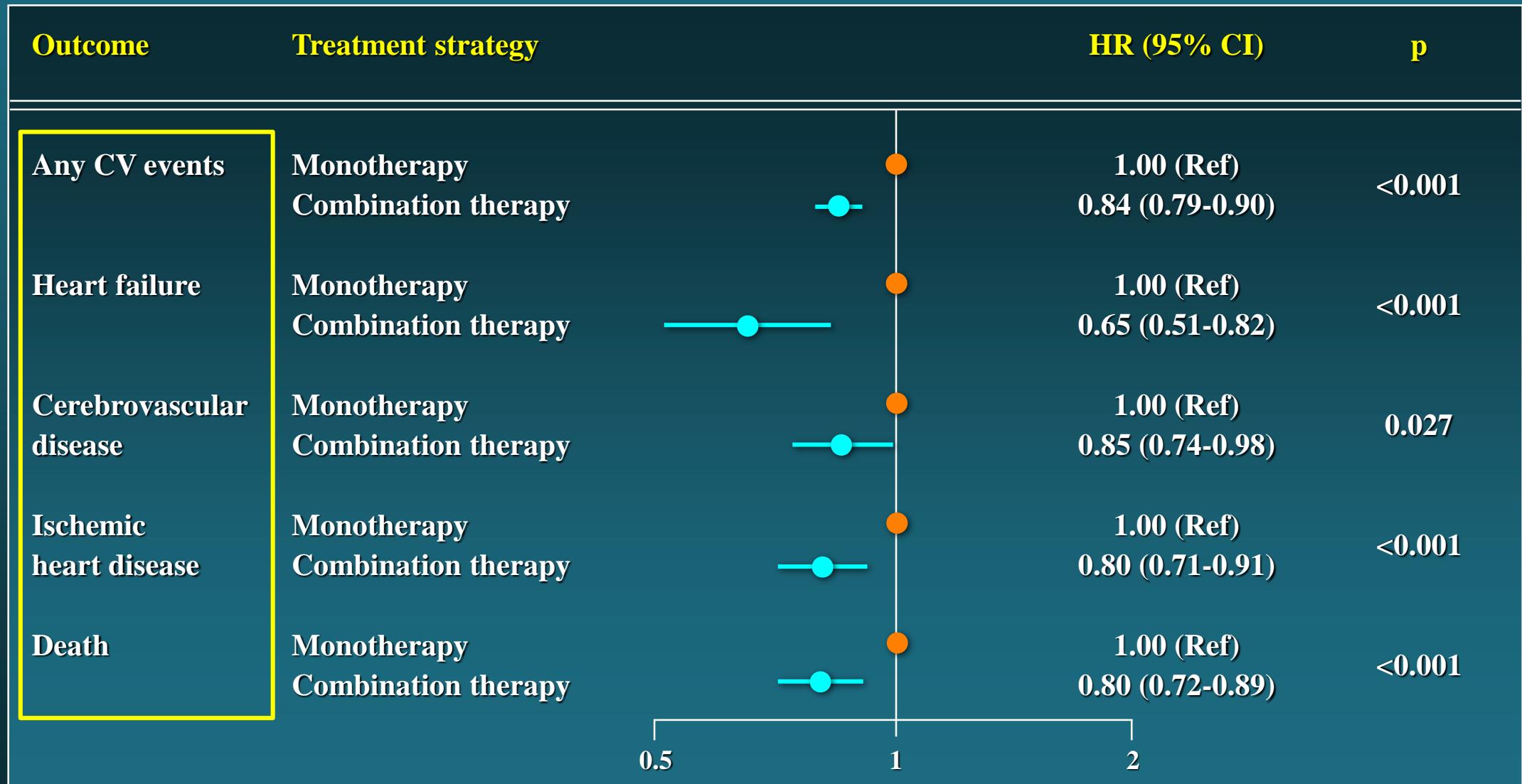
# Relationship between risk of Discontinuation of antihypertensive treatment and initially prescribed drugs (n=433680)



## Use of combination treatment ( 2 drugs) over the FU in pts starting treatment with one drug or a two-drug FDC (n=126,635 from 190,6476)



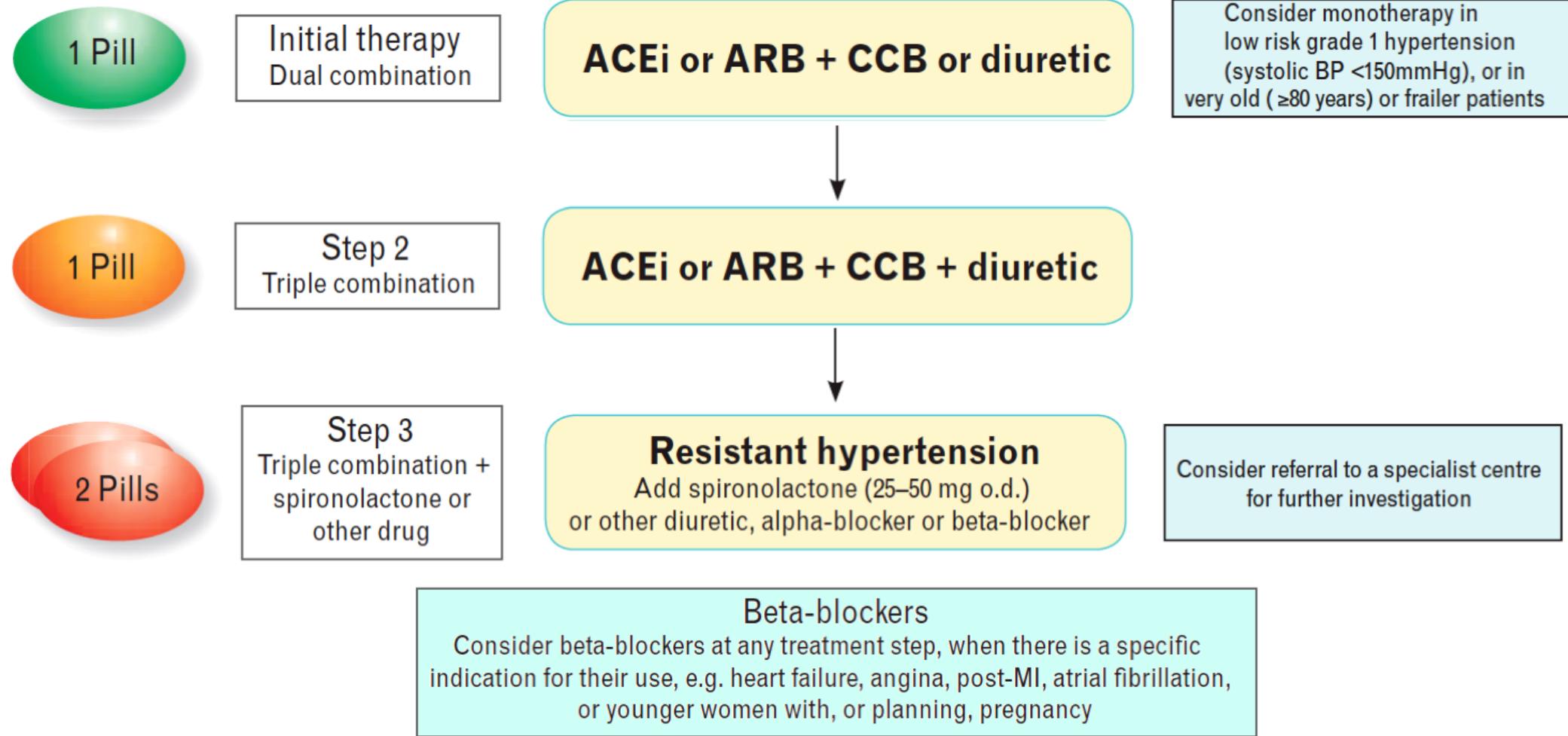
**Risk of CV events over a 3 year FU in pts on initial FDC or monotherapy largely failing to move to combination therapy due to therapeutic inertia (PS analysis)**



## The recommended (evidence-based) treatment strategy to improve BP control

- Initial combination treatment IN MOST PTS, especially useful in the context of lower BP targets
- Initial monotherapy reserved to
  - BP in the high normal range
  - Old, frail patients
  - Grade 1 hypertension with SBP close to 140mmHg
- Single-pill-based combination therapy, to improve adherence to treatment

# Core drug-treatment strategy for uncomplicated hypertension



The core algorithm is also appropriate for most patients with HMOD, cerebrovascular disease, diabetes, or PAD

# CHARACTERISTICS OF BETA-BLOCKERS

Beta-blocker	Selection $\beta_1/\beta_2$	vasodilation	Glycemia / Lipid emia	doses
Non-vasodilating				
Bisoprolol	103	--	↑	One a day
Metoprolol* <i>*succinate</i> <b>(CR/XL)</b>	79	--	↑	One a day
Vasodilating				
Carvedilol	7.3	$\alpha_1$ blockade	→	Twice a day
Nebivolol	293	NO activation	→↓	One a day

# Summary:

## Classification of Blood Pressure in Adults:

Optimal: <120/80 mmHg

Normal: 120-129/<80 mmHg

High normal: 130-139/80-89 mmHg

Hypertension:  $\geq 140/\geq 90$  mmHg

- Five drug classes (ACEIs/ARBs/BBs/CCBs/Ds) have evidence
- BB for any step if needed
- Initial combination treatment IN MOST PTS, especially useful in the context of lower BP targets