

تفريغ علم وظائف الأعضاء المرضي



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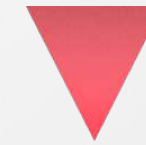
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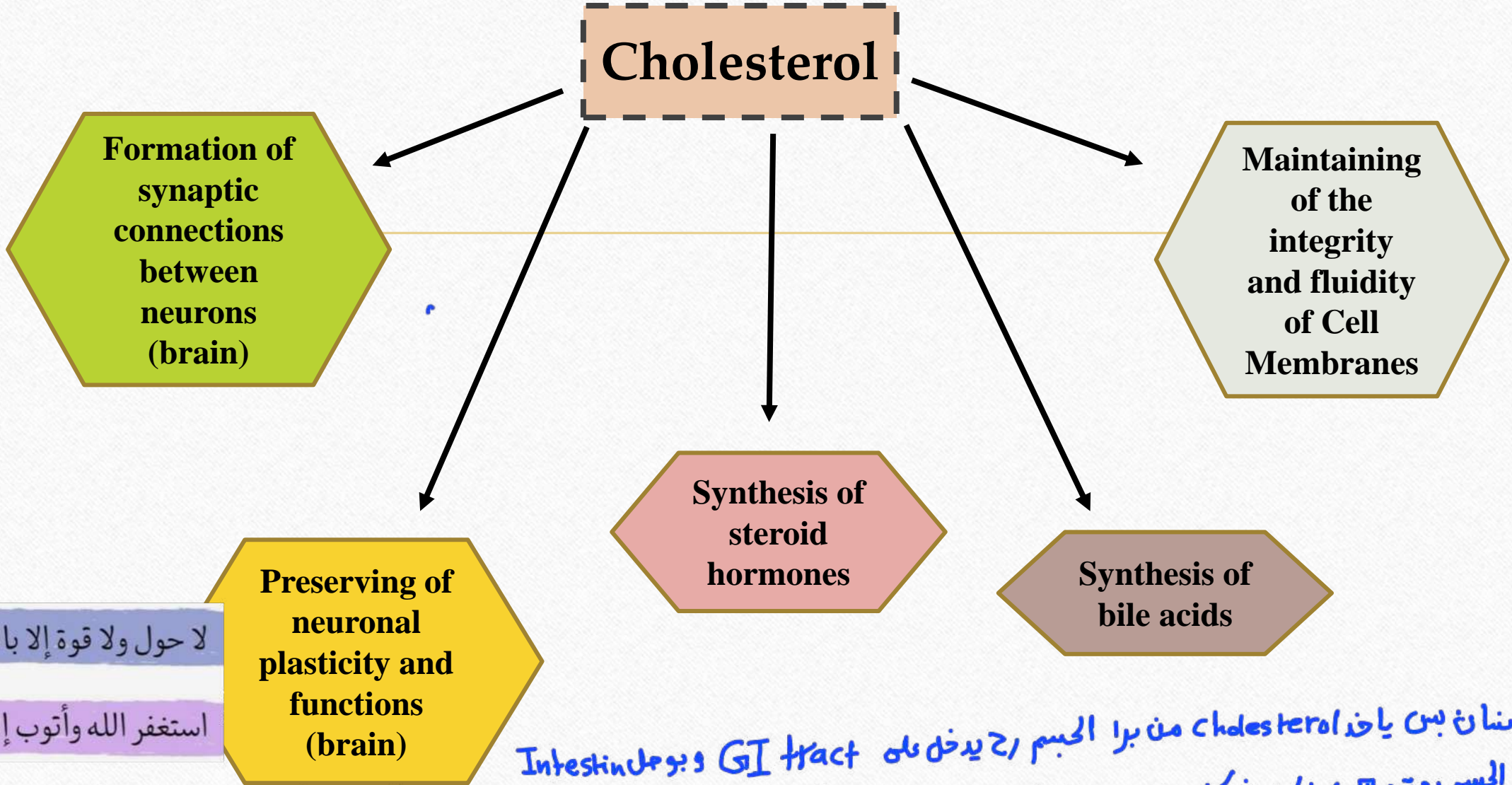
Introduction

واحد من أهم الأشياء لجسم الانسان

* خلايا جسم الانسان لها قدرة على تصنيع cholesterol ، ويمكن أخذه عن طريق الاكل .

- **Cholesterol is essential** for cell membrane formation & hormone synthesis.
- **Lipids are not present in free form in plasma**; circulate as lipoproteins (complexes of lipids and proteins), they are transported in blood using lipoproteins.

Risk of atherosclerosis ↓ = ↑ HDL ✳



لا حول ولا قوة إلا بالله
استغفر الله وأتوب إليه

الانسان يسى ياخذ cholesterol من برا الجسم رح يدخله GI tract وبوجه Intestine
الجسم بيمتصه لكن مشكله triglyceride + cholesterol إنهم ما بذبوا بالدم ، فالدم ما يكون قادر على انه ينقلهم بهاد الشكل
فبنقلوا عن طريق carriers تسوى Lipoproteins ← الجزء الخارجى منه hydrophilic

Bad vs. Good Cholesterol

HDL العكسي ← كلما زاد يزيد Risk of atherosclerosis



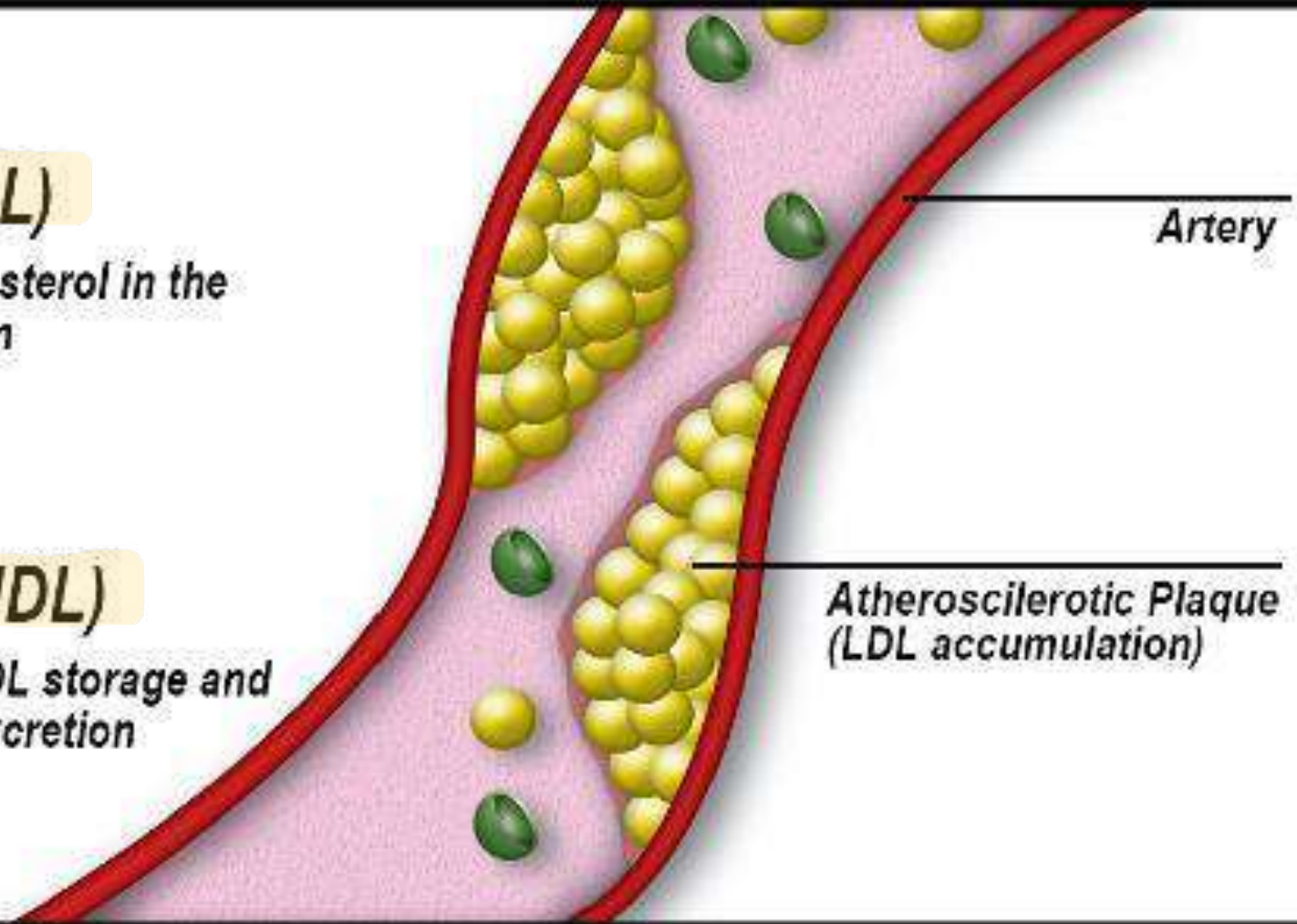
Bad (LDL)

stores cholesterol in the blood stream



Good (HDL)

regulates LDL storage and promotes excretion



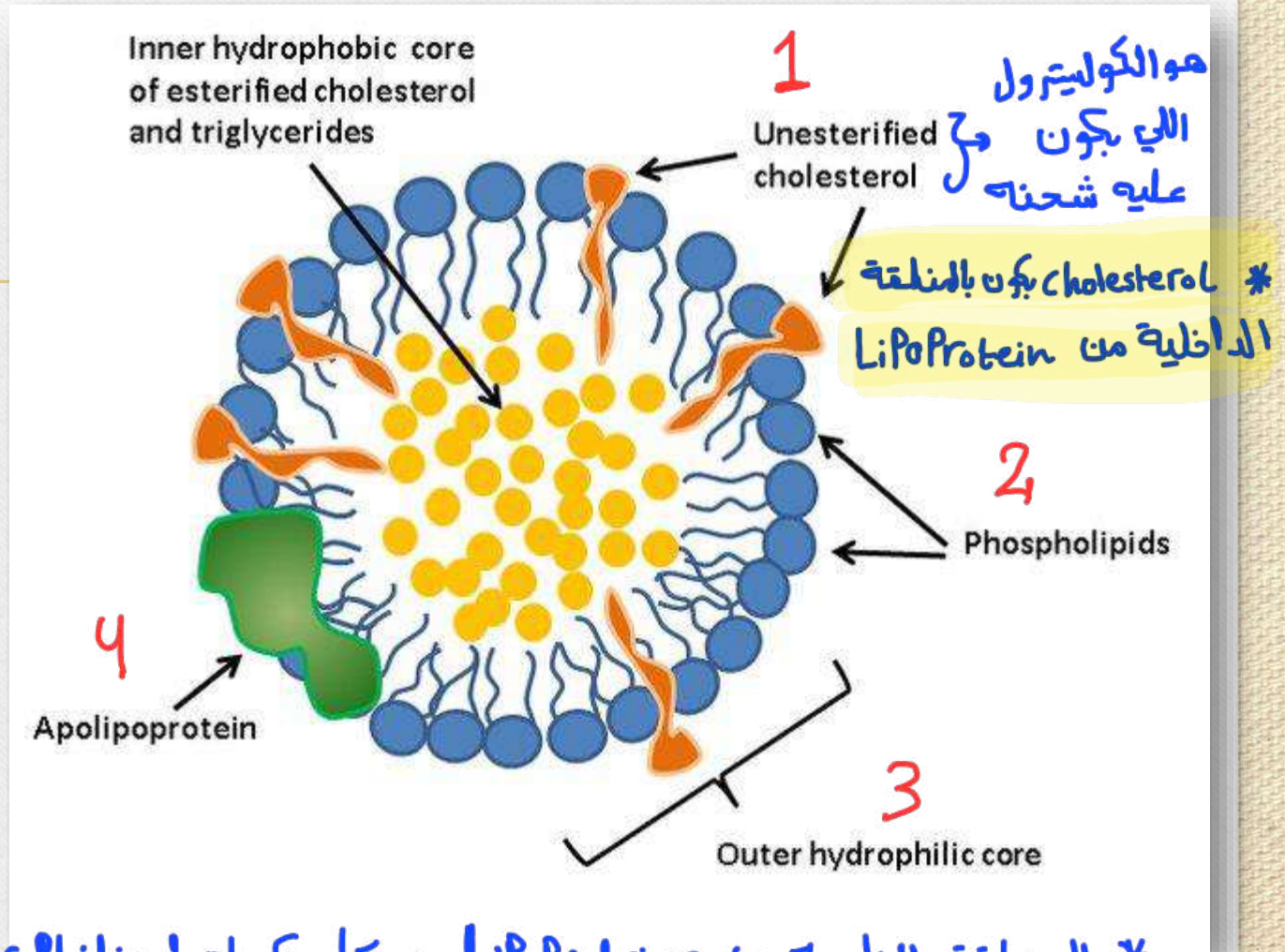
Artery

Atherosclerotic Plaque
(LDL accumulation)

* Lipoprotein (2) ينقل cholesterol من triglyceride بسهولة لانه من بروتين hydrophilic والجوا هي hydrophobic يتكون

سبحان الله..

- **Lipoproteins:** spherical macromolecular complexes with **SURFACES** that consist largely of “phospholipid, free cholesterol, and apolipoprotein” and **CORES** composed mostly of “triglyceride and cholesterol ester”.
- **Function:** To keep the **lipid-soluble** for *transporting* them between organs and also provide an efficient mechanism for *delivering* their lipid contents to the tissues.



* المنطقة الخارجية من Lipoproteins ← كل مكوناتها hydrophilic مثل 1, 2, 3, 4 على الرسمة مدول يكونوا Lipoprotein اللي بتخليه ينتقل بالدم بسهولة .

Hyperlipidemia

زيادة الدهون في الدم

: يعني

free cholesterol

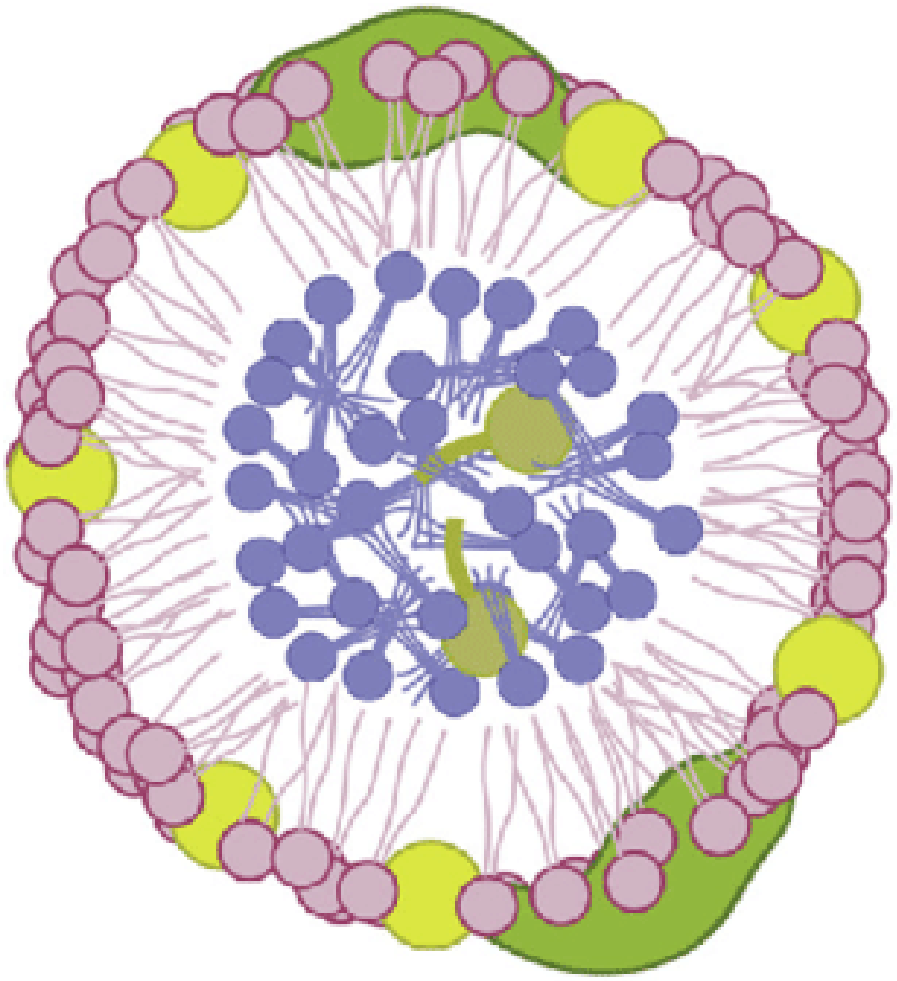
- **Hyperlipidemia is defined** as an elevation in total cholesterol, LDL, triglycerides, or low HDL concentration OR some combination of these abnormalities.

* ممكن الشخص يكون عنده كل هذول أو بيا زياده مثلاً بـ LDL
مش شرط كلهم

HDL : High Density Lipoprotein 6 ال HDL هو good cholesterol ارتفاعه
منهيج طبيعياً بحدود

ال LDL العكس

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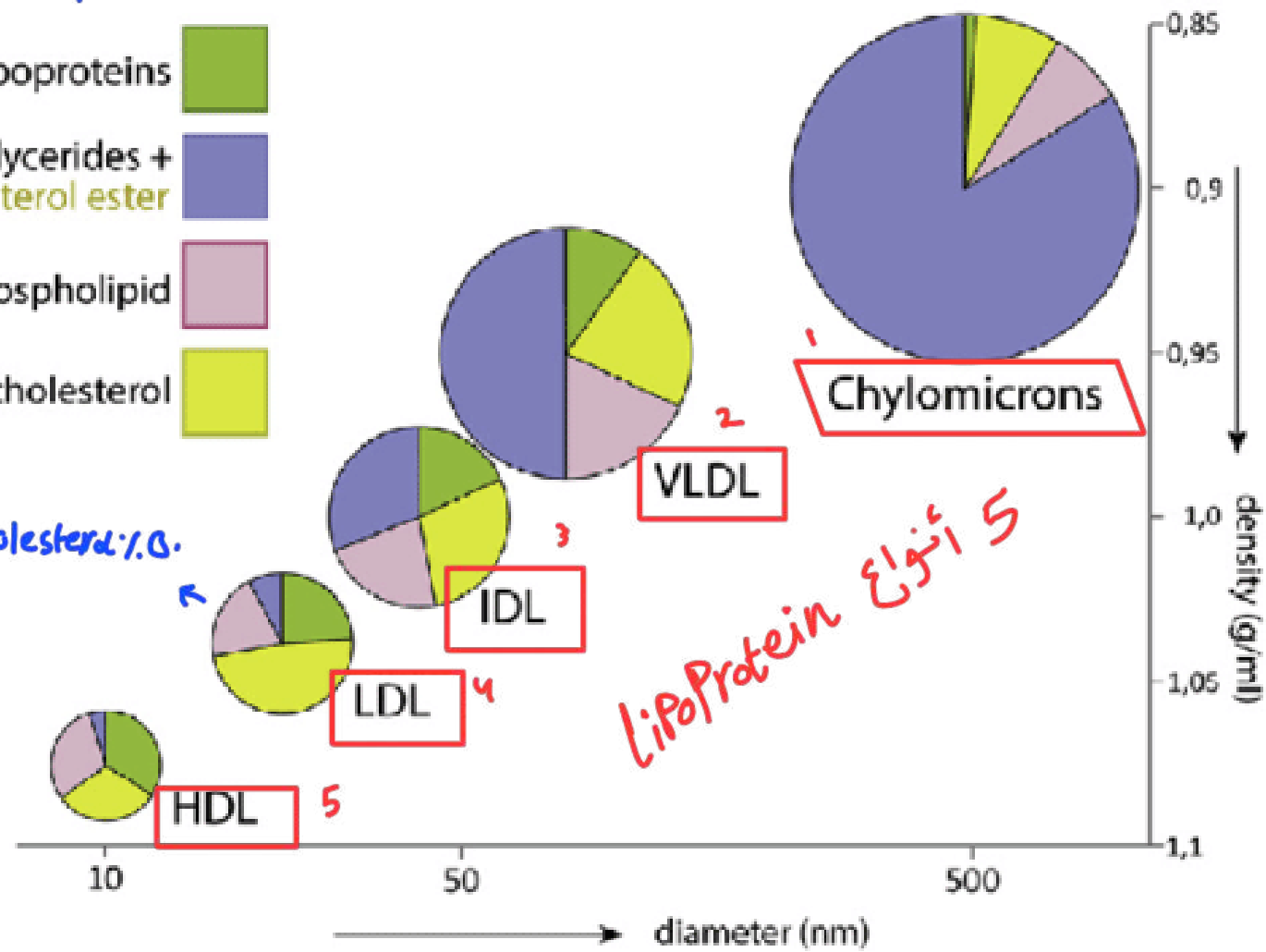


مكوناتهم

- Apolipoproteins ■
- triglycerides + cholesterol ester ■
- phospholipid ■
- free cholesterol ■

مثلاً ماد المكونات الاكثر منه ← Triglycerides

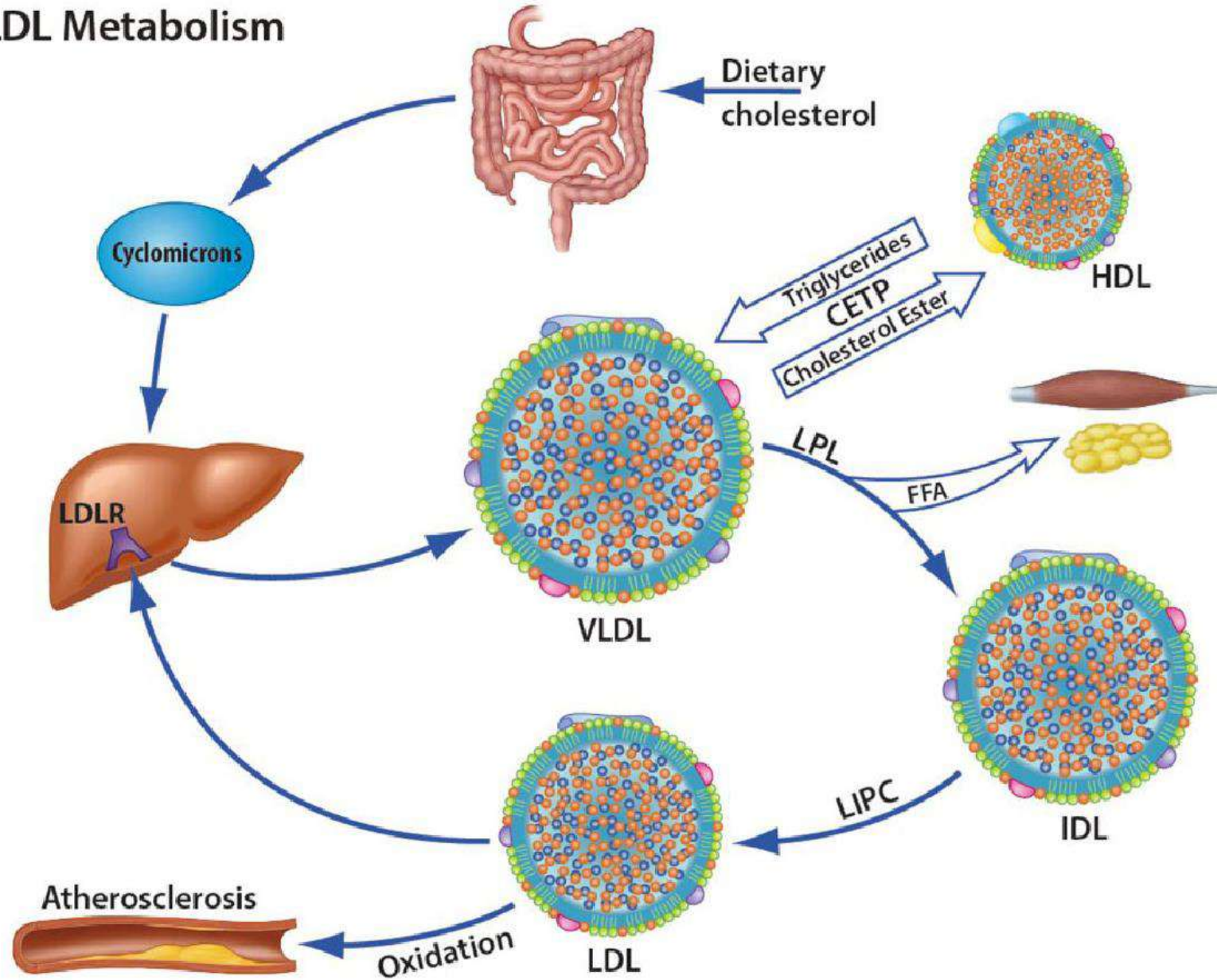
free cholesterol: 1.0



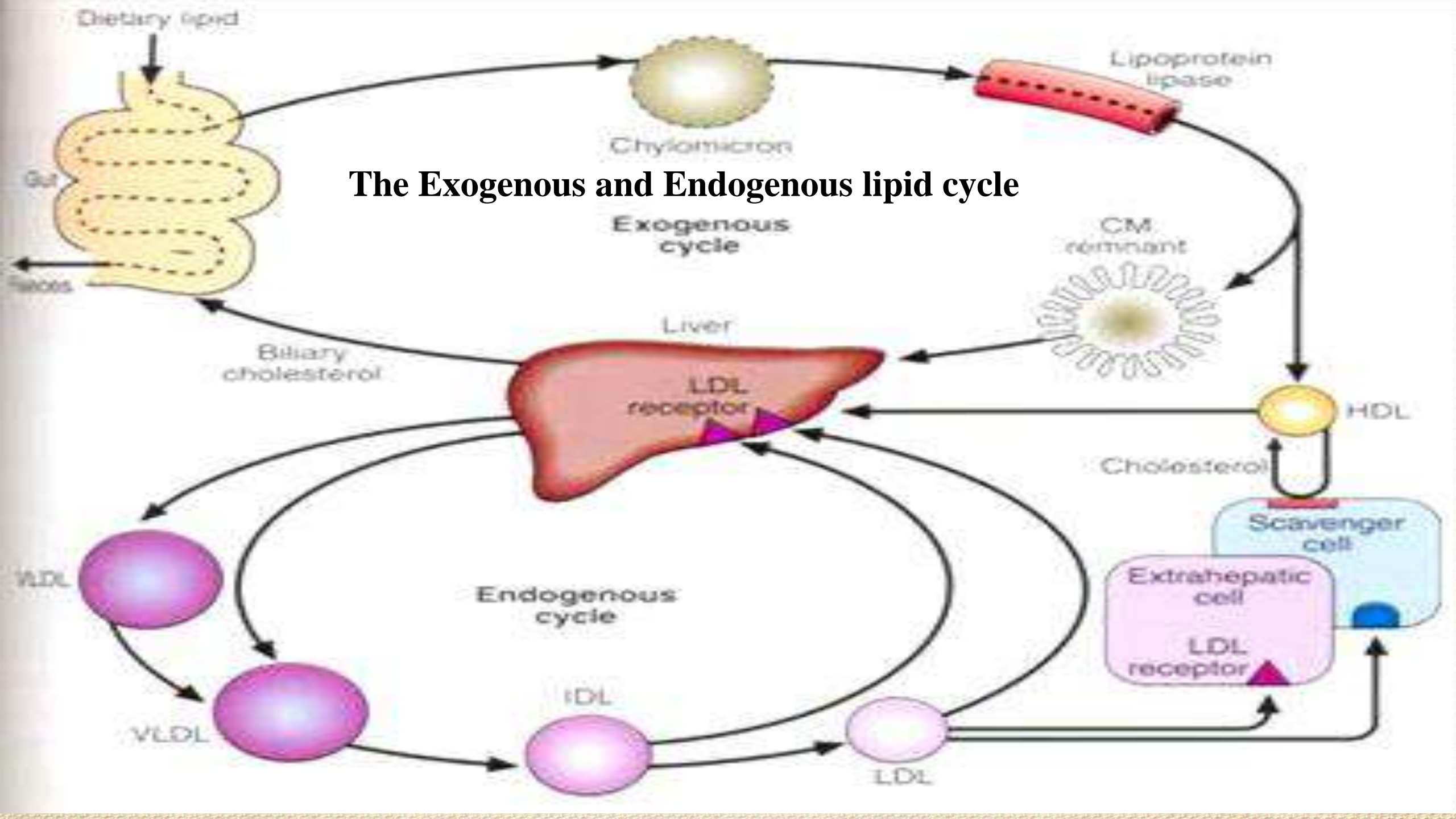
5 أنواع Lipoprotein

الشخص الذي عنده زياده باء LDL يعني عنده زياده بالكولسترول

LDL Metabolism



The Exogenous and Endogenous lipid cycle



كل واحد من Lipoproteins له وظيفة معينة...

1. Chylomicrons:

- Lowest density.
- Synthesized in the gut wall. → **lipoprotein يكون موجود بال Gut Wall**
- Mainly transport dietary triglycerides from the small intestine into the blood.

Gut wall (Gastrointestinal wall) جدار الامعاء الدقيقة

2. VLDL (very low-density lipoproteins):

- Synthesized in the liver.
- Contains approximately 50% triglycerides with the remainder; roughly equal amounts of phospholipids and cholesterol.
- May be converted to IDLs in the blood.

يعني VLDL ينقل الكوليسترول من **Triglycerides** من **Liver** للدم و جوا الدم يتحول لـ IDL

3. IDL (intermediate-density lipoproteins):

- Composed of approximately equal amounts of triglycerides, phospholipids, and cholesterol.
- Precursor for LDLs

IDL هو يسمى Intermediate التي هي مرحلة إنتقالية ما بين VLDL والـ IDL

يعني VLDL موجود بال Liver يوصل للدم يتحول IDL

IDL هو Precursor [مكون أساسي] لـ LDL

* المرحلة الانتقالية مرحلة سريعة جداً

بالتالي الانسان الطبيعي التي ما عنده مشاكل ما رح نقدر

نكتشف ال IDL لو شخص بين عنده بالفحص IDL اذا
هو عنده مشاكل

IDL isn't identified at normal person *

4. LDL (low-density lipoprotein): أكثر واحد بسبب مشاكل بالجسم

- Composed of approximately 50% cholesterol.
- Main carrier of cholesterol from the liver to tissues.
- Internalized into cells bound to a specific cell-surface LDL receptor.
- “Bad cholesterol” due to its role in atherosclerosis.

5. HDL (high-density lipoprotein):

- Synthesized in the liver.
- Carries cholesterol from the tissues and plasma back to the liver.
- “Good cholesterol” because it removes cholesterol from the circulation; high circulating HDL levels associated with a reduced potential for atherosclerosis.

بالنسبة لنقطة 4 (LDL)

* لو الشخص به ياخذ ← Cholesterol + triglycerides عادي ما في مشكلة لانه الجسم يحتاجهم الى بس لازم يكونوا متوازن .

* لو الشخص ما ياخذ Cholesterol نهائيًا ، ما في مشكلة لانه الجسم أساسًا بيمنعه .

جاري الاستيعاب!

* فالذي بيمير ، هو أنه أنا صار في عندي نتيجة ال Cholesterol التي أخذناه وال triglyceride صار عندي كمية موجودة بال Liver ، فال Liver الكمية الموجودة فينا رح يحاول يوزعها على الجسم ، كيف بيدي أوزيها ؟؟
بطلع كمية Cholesterol بتلغ على كل خلايا الجسم ، فكل خلية يتاخذ حاجتها ، كيف هاي الحالة بتجبر ؟؟
بتجبر أنه أنا عندي ال VLDL رح يطلع للدم ، VLDL رح يطلع Cholesterol + triglyceride من ال Liver للدم ، بالدم تتحول ال IDL ، وال IDL يتحول دايركت ل LDL ال LDL حكينا نعرفه Cholesterol والنسب الثاني في أكثر من نوع من ضمنهم triglycerides ال LDL بيمير يمشي مع الدم ويوصل لخلايا الجسم ، ال Cholesterol بيمير يطلع من LDL ويدخل على خلايا الجسم ، لنفرض وزعنا ال Cholesterol ومنلت كمية زيادة ، هاي الكمية لو بقيت موجودة بال LDL رح تتسبب بال Blood Vessel نفسه ، مع الوقت رح تعمل عنا **Atherosclerosis**

لذلك هون بيحي دور ال HDL (نقطة 5)

HDL برينو كتركيبه تتمتع بال Liver وتعمل **Carries cholesterol from the tissues and Plasma back to liver**

المقصود فيه HDL رح يرجع كمية ال Cholesterol الزيادة ويرجعها مرة ثانية ل Liver

* ال liver تعمل بهاي الكمية مثلاً بكون العمارة المصراوية (Bile Acids) والجزء المتبقي يرجعه مرة ثانية ل Intestin

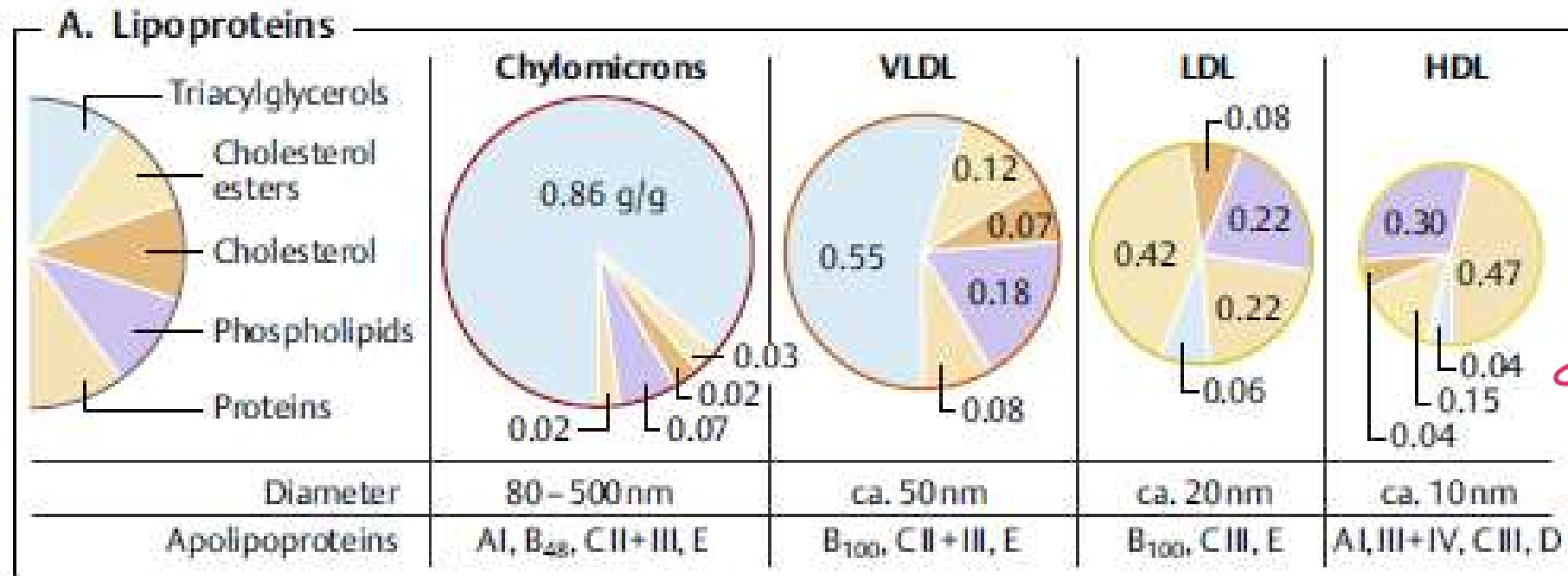
• عشان هيك أي ظل بهاي العملية هي التي رح تسبب الامراض والمشاكل . وطلعه برا الجسم



TABLE 23-1 Composition of Lipoprotein Isolated from Normal Subjects

Lipoprotein Class	Density Range (g/mL)	Diameter (nm)	Composition (Weight %)				
			Protein	Triglyceride	Free Cholesterol	Ester	Phospholipid
Chylomicrons	<0.94	75–1200	1–2	80–95	1–3	2–4	3–9
VLDL	0.94–1.006	30–80	6–10	55–80	4–8	16–22	10–20
LDL	1.006–1.063	18–25	18–22	5–15	6–8	45–50	18–24
HDL	1.063–1.21	5–12	45–55	5–10	3–5	15–20	20–30

HDL, high-density lipoprotein; LDL, low-density lipoprotein; VLDL, very-low-density lipoprotein.



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 و مافی داعی
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استغفر الله وأتوب إليه

Apolipoproteins → Marker for lipoproteins

يعني بتعرف lipoprotein من الـ Apolipoprotein

- These proteins have three functions:

الميزة الأساسية :

- Provide structure to the lipoprotein, activate enzyme systems, bind with cell receptors.

* lipoprotein ليس بيكون موجود حوالين الخلايا ، اذا الخلية محتاجة كولستيرول رح تتعرف على Apolipoprotein رح تفسك فيه وتاخذ كولستيرول .

- The five most clinically relevant apolipoproteins are A-I, A-II, B-100, C, and E:

الأنواع

- Apo B and E proteins are ligands for LDL receptors:

- The blood concentration of apolipoprotein B-100 is an indication of the total number of VLDL and LDL particles in the circulation. An increased number of lipoprotein particles (i.e., an increased apolipoprotein B-100 concentration) is a strong predictor of CHD risk.

* كل ما زاد (Apolipoprotein B-100) معناها اناعدي زيادة بكمية VLDL ، LDL ، و هاد لوزاد VLDL ، LDL ، رح يزيد

CHD Risk [Coronary heart disease]

The Next Lecture

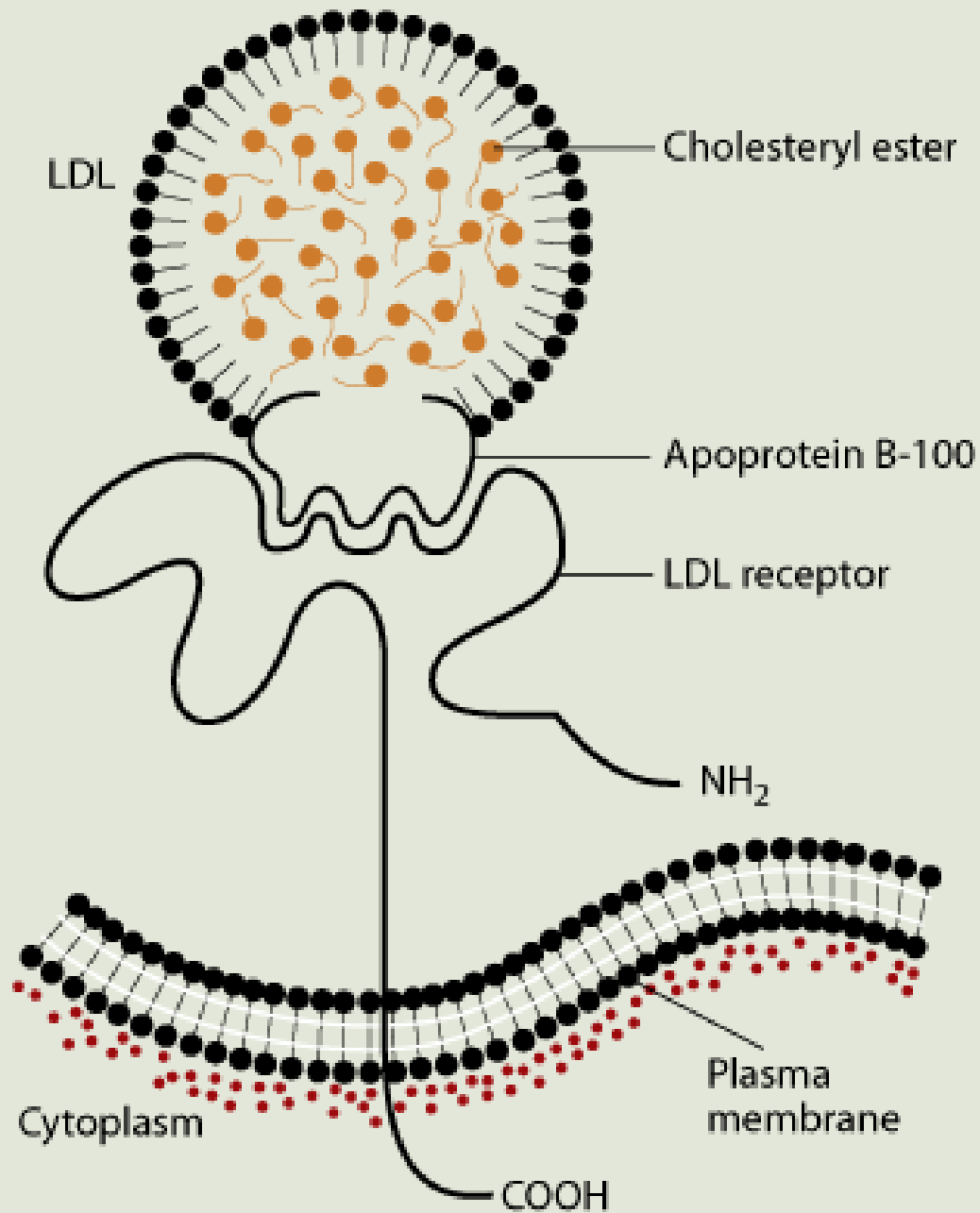
لبنون بكون المحاضرة خالصة

- **Apo C-II** is a cofactor for lipoprotein lipase, which releases fatty acids and glycerol from chylomicrons, VLDL and IDL.
- **Apo C-III** downregulates lipoprotein lipase activity and interferes with the hepatic uptake of VLDL remnant particles (may emerge as an important marker of atherosclerosis and provide a way for clinicians to identify patients requiring aggressive treatment).
- **Apo A-I** protein activates LCAT (lecithin-cholesterol acyltransferase), which catalyzes the esterification of free cholesterol in HDL particles.
 - Levels of apolipoprotein A-I have a stronger inverse correlation with CHD risk. HDL particles that contain only A-I apolipoproteins (LpA-I) are associated with a lower CHD risk than are HDL particles.

	Chylomicron	VLDL	LDL	HDL
Density (g/mL)	<0.94	0.94–1.006	1.006–1.063	1.063–1.210
Composition (%)				
Protein	1–2	6–10	18–22	45–55
Triglyceride	85–95	50–65	4–8	2–7
Cholesterol	3–7	20–30	51–58	18–25
Phospholipid	3–6	15–20	18–24	26–32
Physiologic origin	Intestine	Intestine and liver	Product of VLDL catabolism	Liver and intestine
Physiologic function	Transport dietary CH and TG to liver	Transport endogenous TG and CH	Transport endogenous CH to cells	Transport CH from cells to liver
Plasma appearance	Cream layer	Turbid “Lipemia”	Clear	Clear
Electrophoretic mobility	Origin	Pre-beta	Beta	Alpha
Apolipoproteins	A-IV, B-48, C-I, C-II, C-III	B-100, C-I, C-II, C-III, E	B-100,	A-I, A-II, A-IV

Background & Pathophysiology

- **VLDL** secreted from the liver: converted to IDL then LDL
- Plasma **LDL** **has taken up** by receptors on the liver, adrenal, & peripheral cells:
 - recognize LDL apolipoprotein B-100.
 - LDL internalized & degraded by these cells.
 - Increased intracellular cholesterol levels inhibits HMG-CoA reductase & decreases LDL receptor synthesis.



The figure shows a diagrammatic representation of the structure of low-density lipoprotein (LDL), the LDL receptor, and the binding of LDL to the receptor via apolipoprotein B-100.

Background & Pathophysiology

- LDL also **excreted** in bile:
 - joins the enterohepatic pool.
 - eliminated in stool.
- LDL can be **oxidized** in subendothelial space of arteries:
 - *Oxidized* LDL in artery walls provokes *inflammatory* response.
 - Monocytes recruited & transformed into *macrophages*.
 - results in *cholesterol laden foam cell accumulation*
 - Foam cells: beginning of arterial fatty streak.
 - If processes continue angina, stroke, MI, peripheral artery disease, arrhythmias, death.

Etiology

- There are two major ways in which **dyslipidemia are classified**:
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1. Primary: when the disorder is not due to an identifiable underlying disease.

- a) Phenotype** (Fredrickson-Levy-Lees), or the presentation in the body (including the specific type of lipid that is increased).
- b) Genetic**, this classification can be problematic, because there are over 500 different mutations of the apolipoprotein gene. However, there are a few well-defined genetic conditions that are usually easy to identify.

2. Secondary: should be initially managed by correcting underlying abnormality when possible.

- Current laboratory values can not define underlying abnormality.

- **Primary lipoprotein disorders: 6 Phenotype categories:**

Fredrickson Classification of the Hyperlipidemias

Phenotype	Lipoprotein(s) elevated	Serum cholesterol concentration	Serum triglyceride concentration	Relative frequency, %
I	Chylomicrons	Normal to ↑	↑↑↑↑↑	<1
IIa	LDL	↑↑	Normal	10
IIb	LDL and VLDL	↑↑	↑↑	40
III	IDL	↑↑	↑↑↑	<1
IV	VLDL	Normal to ↑	↑↑	45
V	VLDL and chylomicrons	↑ to ↑↑	↑↑↑↑↑	5

- Primary lipoprotein disorders: 6 Phenotype categories:

Type I	Hyperchylomicronemia
Type IIa	Elevated LDL (familial hypercholesterolemia)
Type IIb	Elevated LDL and VLDL (familial combined hypercholesterolemia)
Type III	Broad β -VLDL (Familial dysbetalipoproteinemia)
Type IV	Elevated VLDL (Familial hypertriglyceridemia)
Type V	Elevated chylomicrons and VLDL (mixed hyperlipidemia)

WHO: World Health Organization, LDL: Low density lipoprotein, VLDL: Very low density lipoprotein

- **Primary lipoprotein disorders: 6 Phenotype categories:**

Frederickson Type	Classification	Lipid Profile
I	Familial lipoprotein lipase deficiency (hyperchylomicronemia, hypertriglyceridemia)	TG++, C normal, CM++, HDL-/normal
IIa	Familial hypercholesterolemia	TG normal, C+, LDL+
IIb	Familial combined hyperlipidemia	TG+, C+, LDL+, VLDL+
III	Familial dysbetalipoproteinemia (remnant particle disease)	TG+, C+, IDL+, CM remnants+
IV	Familial hypertriglyceridemia	TG+, C normal/+, LDL++, VLDL++
V	Familial combined hypertriglyceridemia	TG+, C+, VLDL++, CM++

TG, triglycerides; C, cholesterol; CM, chylomicrons; HDL, high-density lipoproteins; LDL, low-density lipoproteins; VLDL, very low density lipoproteins; IDL, intermediate-density lipoproteins; +, raised; -, lowered.

Disorders of lipid metabolism

- Prolonged hyperlipidemia results in the accumulation of lipid in tissues and causes cell damage.

- **Lipids may accumulate in:**
 - a. **Xanthomatosis:** subcutaneous tissue (**tuberoeruptive xanthomata** (over knees and elbows- **type III hyperlipidemia**)-triglyceride), tendons (**tendon xanthomas**-familial hypercholesterolemia- **type II hyperlipidemia**), palm (**palmar xanthomata**-**type III hyperlipidemia**), the cornea (**corneal arcus**, xanthomas, **type II hyperlipidemia**).
 - b. **Atherosclerosis:** Arterial wall (Cholesterol).

Xanthomas

- Xanthomas are plaques or nodules consisting of abnormal lipid deposition and foam cells. They do not represent a disease but rather are symptoms of different lipoprotein disorders or arise without an underlying metabolic effect.
- Clinically, xanthomas can be classified as:
 - Eruptive, tuberoeruptive or tuberous,
 - Tendinous or planar xanthoma.
- Planar xanthomas include:
 - Xanthelasma palpebrarum/xanthelasma,
 - Xanthoma striatum palmare,
- There are characteristic clinical phenotypes associated with specific metabolic defects.



Eruptive skin xanthomata characteristic of severe chylomicronemia.



Tuberoeruptive and tuberos xanthomata typical of familial dysbetalipoproteinemia.
A. Knee B. Palm.



Tendon xanthomata: typical of heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia. Similar xanthomata occur in patients with familial defective apolipoprotein B-100, cerebrotendinous xanthomatosis, and sitosterolemia.



Xanthoma striatum palmare characteristic of familial dysbetalipoproteinemia.

Dominant trait	Recessive trait
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Familial LPL deficiency

- **LPL** is normally released from vascular endothelium or by heparin and hydrolyzes chylomicrons and VLDL.
- Familial LPL deficiency is rare.
- Diagnosis is based on low or absent enzyme activity with normal human plasma or apolipoprotein C-II, a cofactor of the enzyme.

Familial LPL deficiency

- Type- I lipoprotein pattern (chylomicrons):

- Characterized by a massive **accumulation of chylomicrons** and a corresponding increase in plasma **triglycerides**. **VLDL concentration is normal**.
- Presenting manifestations include repeated attacks of pancreatitis and abdominal pain, eruptive cutaneous xanthomatosis, and hepatosplenomegaly beginning in childhood.
- Symptom severity is proportional to dietary fat intake and consequently to the elevation of chylomicrons.
- **Accelerated atherosclerosis is not associated with the disease.**

Familial LPL deficiency

- Type V (VLDL and chylomicrons):

- Abdominal pain, pancreatitis, eruptive xanthomas, and peripheral polyneuropathy.
- Symptoms may occur in childhood, but usually the disorder is expressed at a later age.
- **The risk of atherosclerosis is increased with the disorder.**
- Patients commonly are obese, hyperuricemia, and diabetic, and alcohol intake, exogenous estrogens, and renal insufficiency tend to be **exacerbating factors**.

Familial hypercholesterolemia

- **Characterized by:**

- a. Selective elevation in the plasma level of LDL.
 - b. Deposition of LDL-derived cholesterol in tendons (xanthomas) and arteries (atheromas).
 - c. Inheritance as an autosomal dominant trait with homozygotes more severely affected than heterozygotes.
- The primary defect in familial hypercholesterolemia is the inability to bind LDL to the LDL receptor (Apo B-100) or, rarely, a defect of internalizing the LDL receptor complex into the cell after normal binding.

Familial hypercholesterolemia

- **Homozygotes** have essentially **no** functional LDL receptors.
 - This leads to lack of LDL degradation by cells and unregulated biosynthesis of cholesterol, with total cholesterol and LDL-C inversely proportional to the deficit in LDL receptors.
- **Heterozygotes** have only about **half** the normal number of LDL receptors, total cholesterol levels in the range from 300 to 600 mg/dL.

Dysbetalipoproteinemia

- **Familial type III hyperlipoproteinemia** (also called, *broad-band*, or β -VLDL)
- **Patients develop the following clinical features after age 20 years:**
 - **Xanthoma striata palmaris** (yellow discolorations of the palmar and digital creases);
 - **Tuberous or tuberoeruptive xanthomas** (bulbous cutaneous xanthomas);
 - **Severe atherosclerosis** involving the coronary arteries, internal carotids, and abdominal aorta.

Dysbetalipoproteinemia

- A **defective structure of apolipoprotein E** does not allow normal hepatic surface receptor binding of remnant particles derived from chylomicrons and VLDL (known as IDL).
- **Aggravating factors** such as obesity, diabetes, and pregnancy may promote overproduction of apolipoprotein B-containing lipoproteins.

Familial combined hyperlipidemia

- Characterized by elevations in total cholesterol and triglycerides, decreased HDL, increased apolipoprotein B, and small, dense LDL.
- It is associated with premature CHD and may be difficult to diagnose because lipid levels do not consistently display the same pattern.

Type IV hyperlipoproteinemia

- Two genetic patterns:
 - **Familial hypertriglyceridemia**, which does not carry a great risk for premature CVD,
 - **Familial combined hyperlipidemia**, which is associated with increased risk for cardiovascular disease.

Type IV hyperlipoproteinemia

- Type IV hyperlipoproteinemia is common and occurs in adults, primarily in patients who are obese, diabetic, and hyperuricemia and do not have xanthomas.
- It may be secondary to alcohol ingestion and can be aggravated by stress, progestins, oral contraceptives, thiazides, or β -blockers.

Lipoprotein Abnormalities: 2° Causes

• Hypercholesterolemia:

- Hypothyroidism
- Obstructive liver disease
- Nephrotic syndrome
- Anorexia nervosa
- Acute intermittent porphyria

• Medications:

- Progestins
- Thiazide diuretics
- **Glucocorticoids**
- **β -blockers**
- **Isotretinoin**
- Protease inhibitors
- Cyclosporine
- Mirtazipine
- Sirolimus

● Hypertriglyceridemia

- Obesity.
- DM.
- Lipodystrophy.
- Glycogen storage disease.
- Ileal bypass surgery.
- Sepsis.
- Pregnancy.
- Acute hepatitis.
- Systemic lupus erythematosus.

● Medications

- Asparaginase
- Interferons
- Azole antifungals
- Mirtazipine
- Anabolic steroids
- Sirolimus
- Alcohol
- Estrogens
- Isotretinoin
- β -blockers
- Glucocorticoids
- Bile acid resins

- Hypocholesterolemia:

- Malnutrition.
- Malabsorption.
- Myeloproliferative diseases.
- Chronic infectious diseases:
 - Acquired immune deficiency syndrome
 - Tuberculosis
- Monoclonal gammopathy.
- Chronic liver disease.

- Low high-density lipoprotein:

- Malnutrition
- Obesity
- Medications
 - non-ISA β -blockers
 - anabolic steroids
 - isotretinoin
 - progestins

Total cholesterol	
<200	Desirable
200–239	Borderline high
≥240	High
LDL cholesterol	
<100	Optimal
100–129	Near or above optimal
130–159	Borderline high
160–189	High
≥190	Very high
HDL cholesterol	
<40	Low
≥60 mg/dL	High
Triglycerides	
<150	Normal
150–199	Borderline high
200–499	High
≥500	Very high

All values unit are mg/dL

Major risk factors – exclusive of LDL-C – that modify the LDL goals

Age

Men: ≥ 45 years

Women: ≥ 55 years or premature menopause without estrogen replacement therapy

Family history of premature CHD

(definite myocardial infarction or sudden death before age 55 years in father or other male first-degree relative, or before age 65 years in mother or other female first-degree relative)

Cigarette smoking

Within the past month

Hypertension

(140/90 mm Hg or taking antihypertensive medication)

Low HDL cholesterol

(<40 mg/dL)^b

^a**Diabetes** regarded as coronary heart disease (CHD) risk equivalent.

^b**HDL cholesterol ≥ 60 mg/dL** counts as a "negative" risk factor; its presence removes one risk factor from the total count.

Metabolic syndrome is considered as CHD risk

Goals & Cutpoints

Risk Category	LDL Goal (mg/dL)	LDL Level at Which to Initiate TLC (mg/dL)	LDL Level at Which to Consider Drug Therapy
High risk: CHD or CHD risk equivalents (10-year risk >20%)	<100 (optional goal: <70)	>100	>100 (<100 mg/dL; consider drug options) ^a
Moderately high risk: 2+ risk factors (10-year risk >10%–20%)	<130 (optional goal <100)	≥130	≥130 (100–129: consider drug options)
Moderate risk: 2+ risk factors (10-year risk <10%)	<130	≥130	≥160
Lower risk: 0–1 risk factor ^b	<160	≥160	≥190 (160–189: LDL-lowering drug optional)

Risk is estimated from Framingham risk score

^aSome authorities recommend use of LDL-lowering drugs in this category if LDL cholesterol <100 mg/dL cannot be achieved by **therapeutic lifestyle changes (TLC)**. Others prefer to use drugs that primarily modify triglycerides and high-density lipoprotein, e.g., nicotinic acid or fibrates. Clinical judgment also may call for deferring drug therapy in this subcategory.

^bAlmost all people with 0–1 risk factor have a 10-year risk <10%; thus, 10-year risk assessment in people with 0–1 risk factor is not necessary.

Calculation of LDL-c

- The majority of labs, including the insurance labs, do not directly measure the LDL portion of the lipid profile. On the other hand, **total cholesterol, HDL and triglycerides are directly measured** with values determined for each of these three tests. LDL is usually not measured directly due to the expense and time required to perform the analysis. Therefore, to estimate LDL, labs use the **“FRIEDEWALD FORMULA”** which is (in mg/dl):

LDL = Total Cholesterol - HDL - 1/5 Trigs, but only if the serum triglyceride is 400 or less.

VLDL

Two examples illustrate its use. Person A has directly calculated total cholesterol of 300, HDL of 50, and trigs of 125, which results in an indirectly calculated value for LDL of 225. Person B has the same total cholesterol and HDL as A, but his trigs are 250, which results in an indirectly calculated LDL of 200.

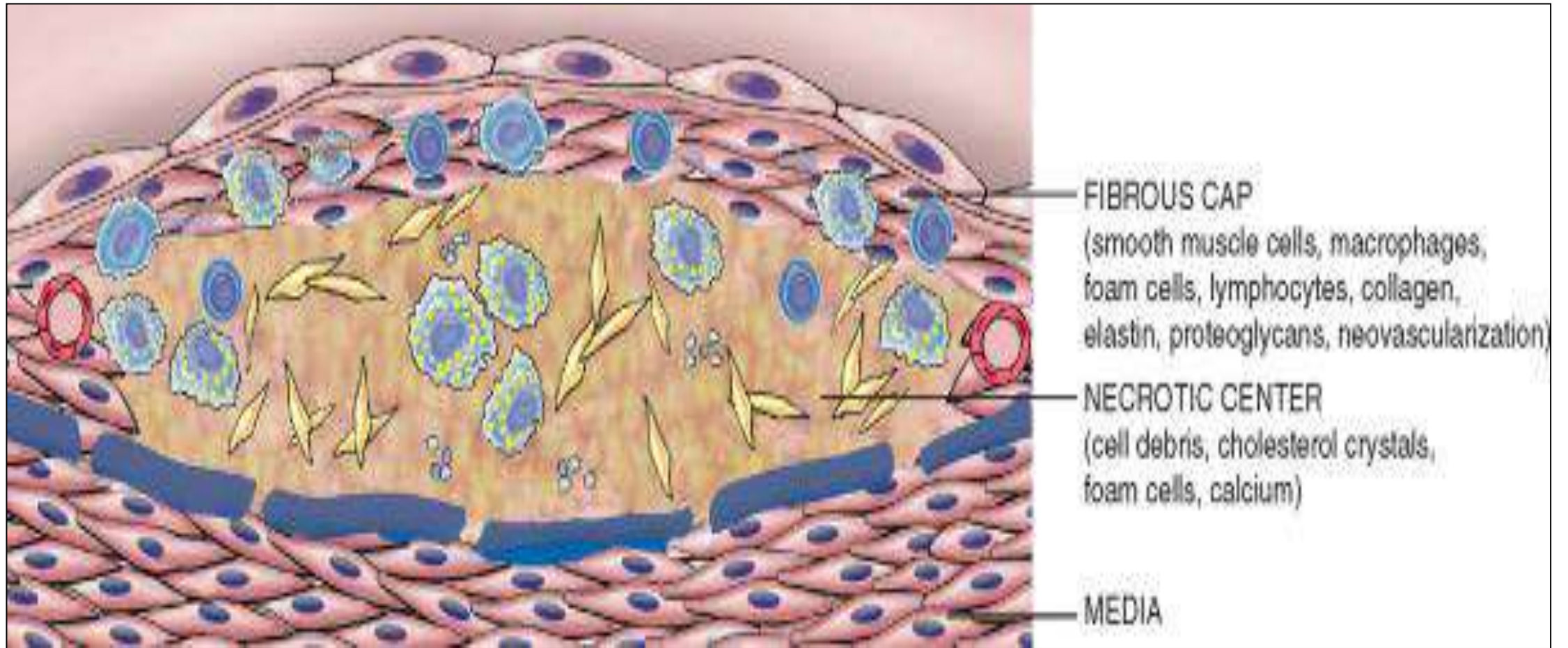
If you have any three of the four values, you can determine the fourth by use of the same formula. For example, when the total cholesterol is 220, the trigs are 150, and the LDL is 120, the HDL must be 70.

Better yet, the formula can be used when you know only two of the values, as long as you also have the HDL ratio available. For example, the cholesterol/HDL ratio is 6, the HDL is 40, and trigs are 180. You first solve for the cholesterol by multiplying 6 times 40 to obtain a total cholesterol of 240. From there, you simply use the above formula to calculate a LDL of 164.

Atherosclerosis

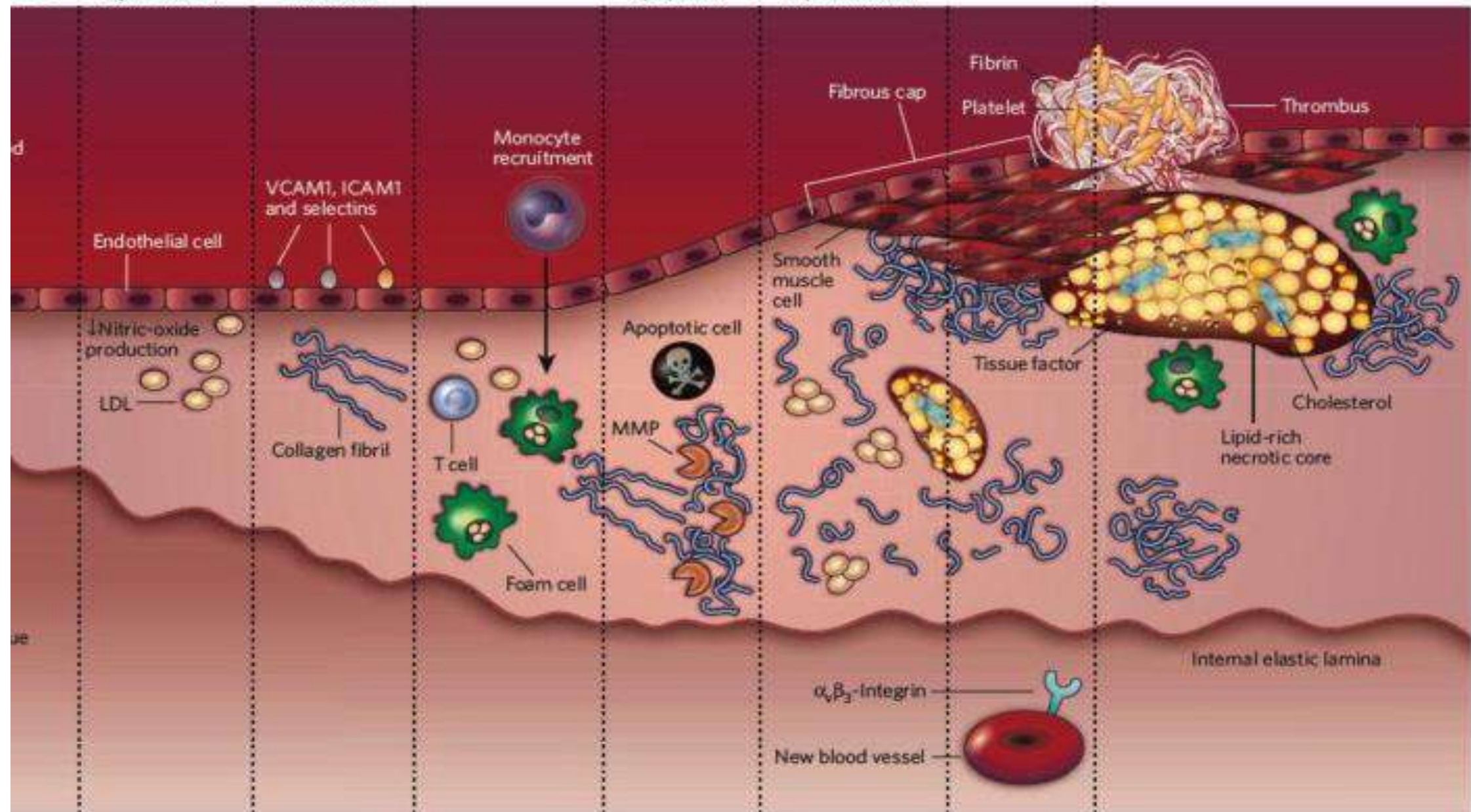
- **Definition:** literally means “hardening of the arteries”; it is a generic term reflecting arterial wall thickening and loss of elasticity.
- There are three general patterns:
 1. **Arteriosclerosis**, affects small arteries and arterioles and may cause downstream ischemic injury.
 2. **Mönckeberg medial sclerosis**, is characterized by calcific deposits in muscular arteries in persons typically older than age 50.
 3. **Atherosclerosis**, from Greek root words for “gruel” and “hardening,” is the most frequent and clinically important pattern.

- **Atherosclerosis** is characterized by intimal lesions called *atheromas* (also called *atheromatous* or *atherosclerotic plaques*) that protrude into vessel lumens.
- An atheromatous plaque consists of a raised lesion with a soft, yellow, grumous core of lipid (mainly cholesterol and cholesterol esters) covered by a white fibrous cap.
- Atherosclerotic plaques can:
 - obstruct blood flow
 - rupture leading to thrombosis
 - weaken the underlying media and thereby lead to aneurysm formation.



The major components of a well-developed intimal atheromatous plaque overlying an intact media.

Endothelial cell dysfunction **Endothelial cell activation** **Inflammation** **Proteolysis Apoptosis** **Lipid core & fibrous cap formation** **Angiogenesis** **Thrombosis**



stage lesion

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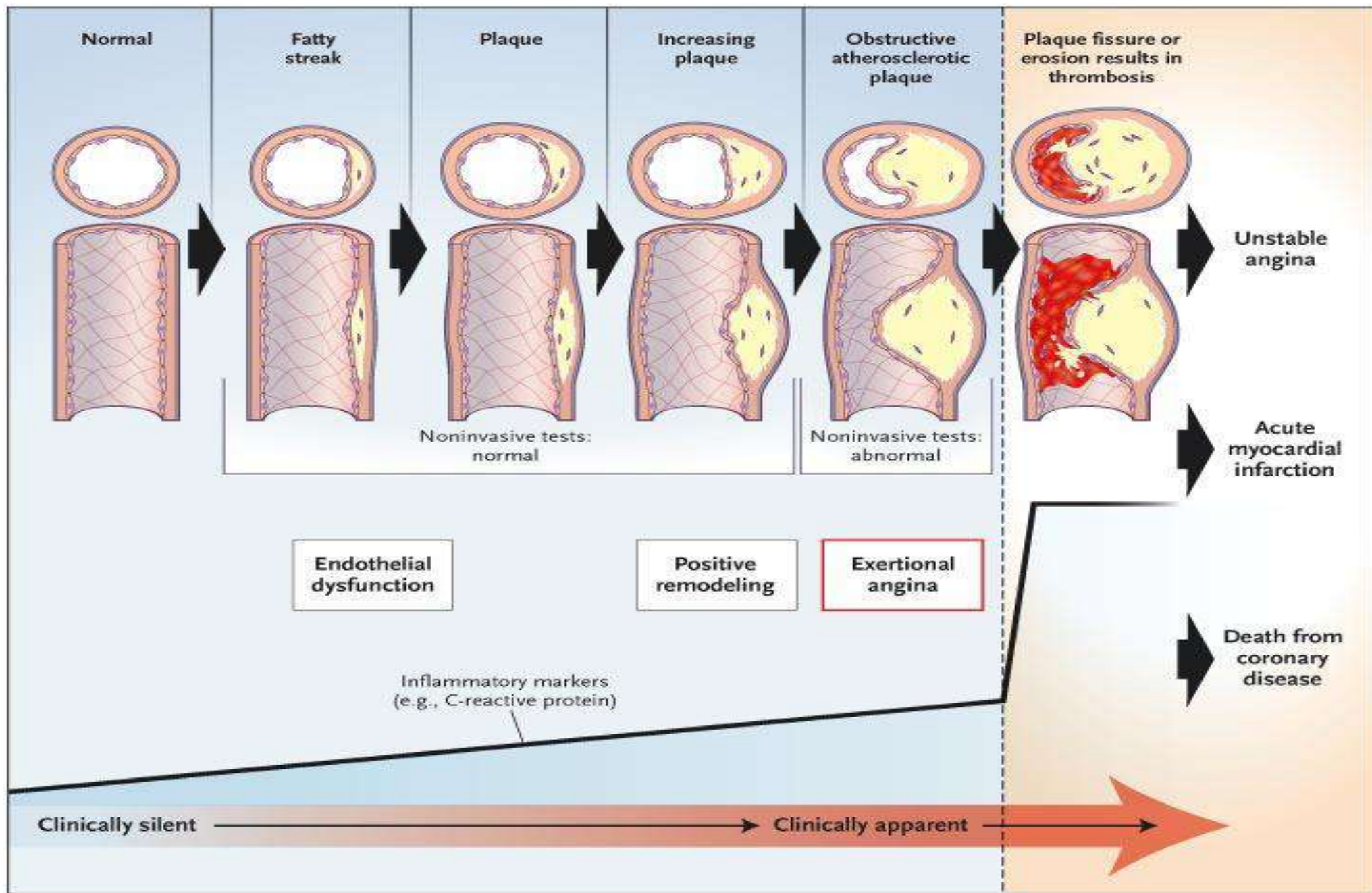
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Due to endothelial dysfunction,

- **LDL particles migrate** from the blood and accumulate in the arterial intima, forming pro-inflammatory particles.
- This results in the **activation of endothelial cells**, which secrete **adhesion molecules**.
- **Smooth muscle cells, which secrete chemokines and chemoattractants**, thereby recruiting monocytes to the arterial wall.
- Upon entry, **monocytes transform into macrophages**, which engulf the accumulated lipids to form **foam cells** which aggregate to form a lipid core.
- Plaque rupture occurs **when the fibrous cap becomes thin** and partially destroyed which leads to the **development of thrombus and ultimately coronary syndrome**.



- The prevalence and severity of atherosclerosis and IHD are related to two groups of risk factors:

I. Constitutional (non-modifiable) risk factors in IHD:

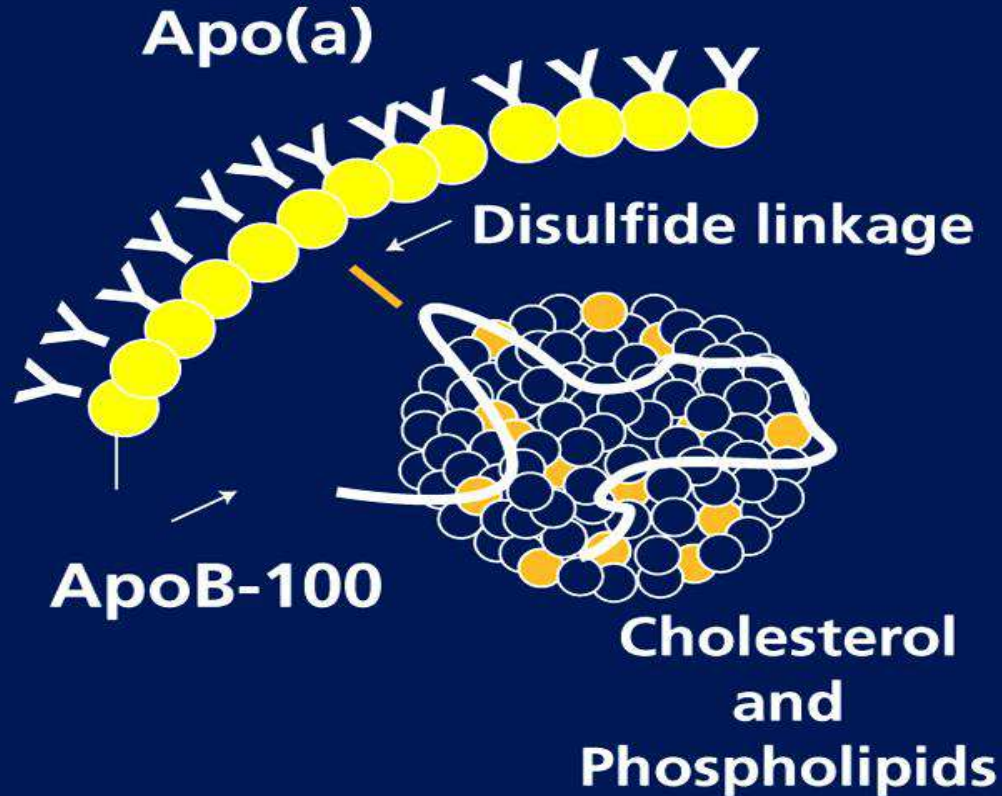
- Age
- Gender
- Genetics

II. Acquired (Modifiable) risk factors in IHD:

- Hyperlipidemia.
- Hypertension.
- Cigarette smoking.
- Diabetes Mellitus.

- **Additional risk factors:**
 - Inflammation
 - Hyperhomocystinemia
 - Metabolic syndrome
 - Lipoprotein (a) levels
 - Factors affecting homeostasis
 - Other factors

Lp(a)



- genetically determined
- marked elevation after acute ischemic coronary syndromes
- structurally homologous to plasminogen
- competes with plasminogen binding sites on endothelial cell surfaces
- oxidized Lp(a) promotes atherosclerosis
- stimulates PAI-1 synthesis
- risk factor for CHD events in men (Lipid Research Clinic) and women (Framingham Heart Study)

Pathogenesis of Atherosclerosis

- Historically, there have been two dominant hypotheses to explain the progress of the disease:
 - *one emphasizes intimal cellular proliferation.*
 - *the other focuses on the repetitive formation and organization of thrombi.*
- Recently, the *response-to-injury hypothesis* which views *atherosclerosis as a chronic inflammatory and healing response of the arterial wall to endothelial injury* was adopted.

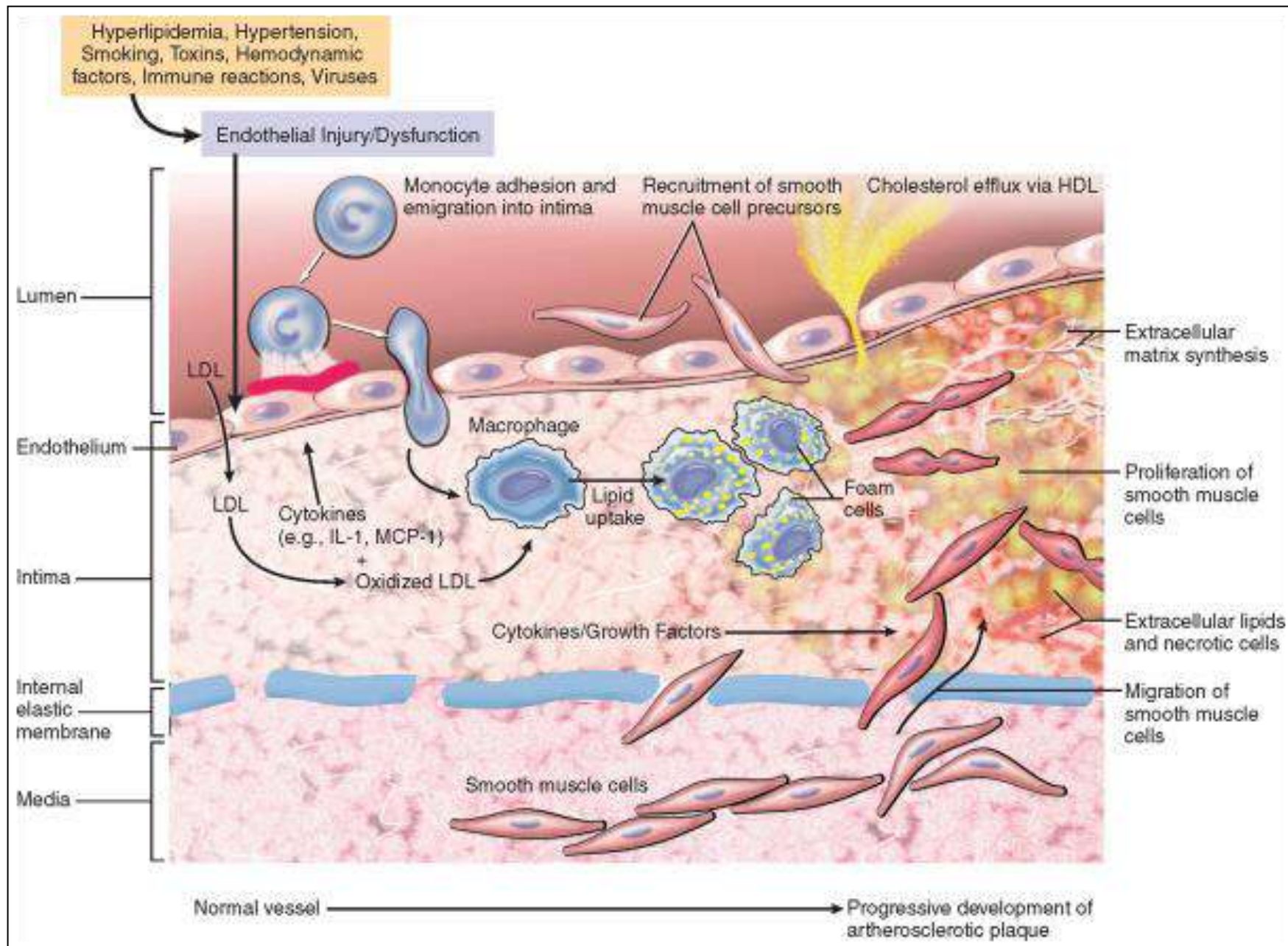
Atherosclerosis is produced by the following pathogenic events:

- **Endothelial injury**, which causes (among other things) increased vascular permeability, leukocyte adhesion, and thrombosis.
- **Accumulation of lipoproteins** (mainly LDL and its oxidized forms) in the vessel wall.
- **Monocyte adhesion to the endothelium**, followed by migration into the intima and transformation into macrophages and foam cells.
- **Platelet adhesion.**

- **Factor release from activated platelets, macrophages, and vascular wall cells**, inducing smooth muscle cell recruitment, either from the media or from circulating precursors.

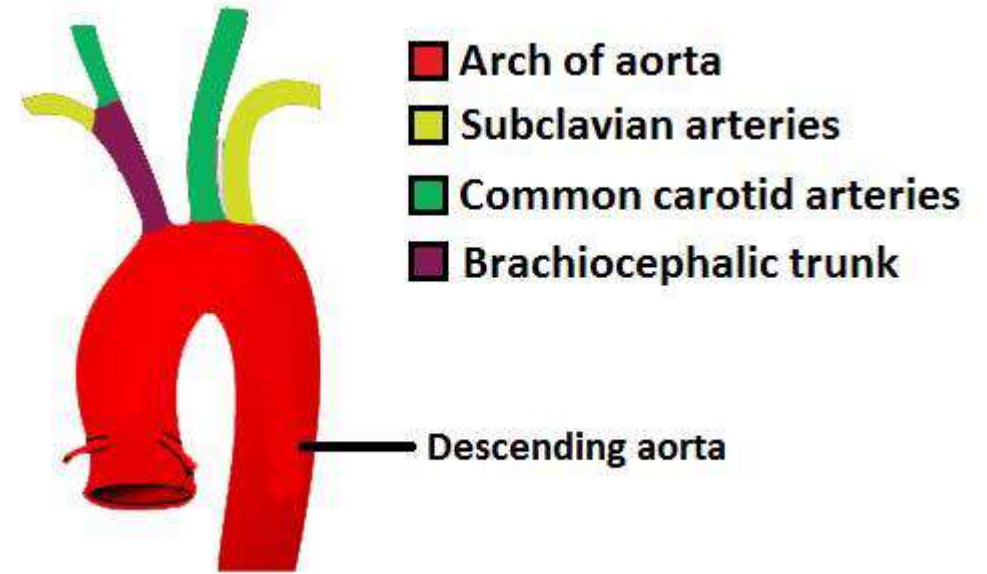
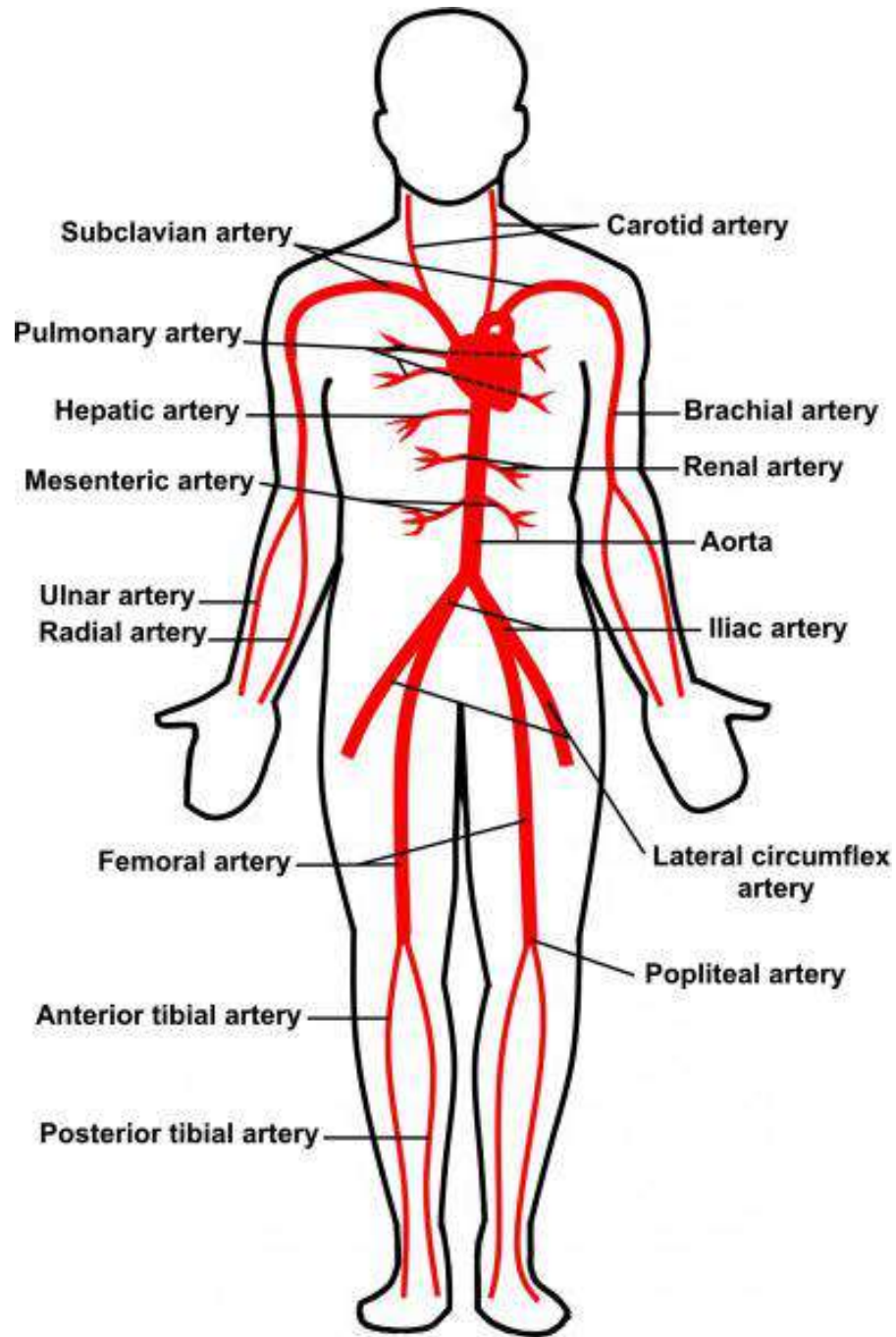
- **Smooth muscle cell proliferation and ECM (extracellular matrix which contains lots of inflammatory mediators and growth factors) production.**

- **Lipid accumulation** both extracellularly and within cells (macrophages and smooth muscle cells).

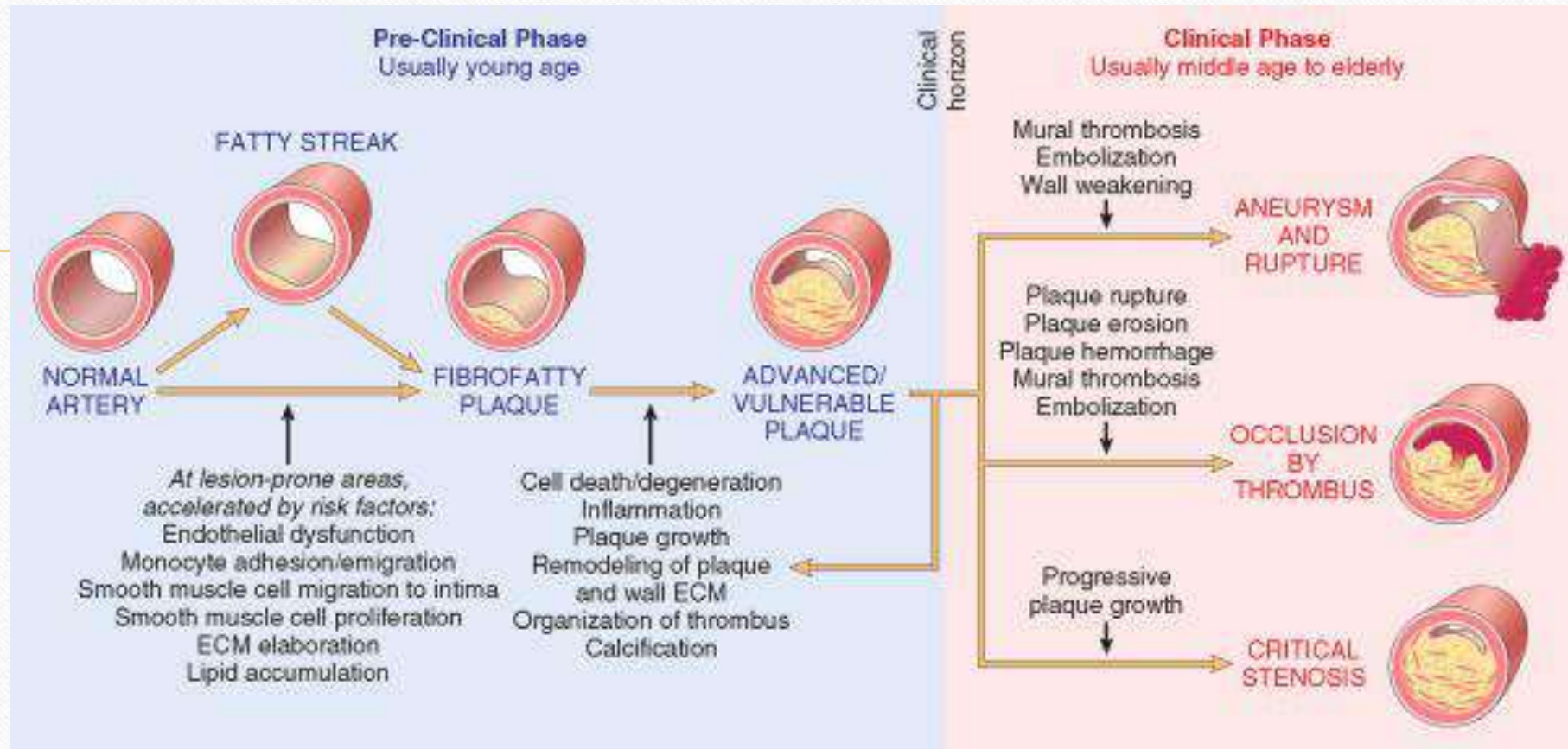


Consequences of Atherosclerosis

- The aorta, carotid, and iliac arteries (large elastic arteries) and coronary and popliteal (medium-sized muscular arteries) are targets for atherosclerosis.
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- Heart attack, stroke, aneurysm, and gangrene in the legs are potential consequences of the disease.
 - The principal outcomes depend on:
 - The size of the involved vessels.
 - The relative stability of the plaque itself.
 - The degree of degeneration of the underlying arterial wall.



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1. Atherosclerotic stenosis:

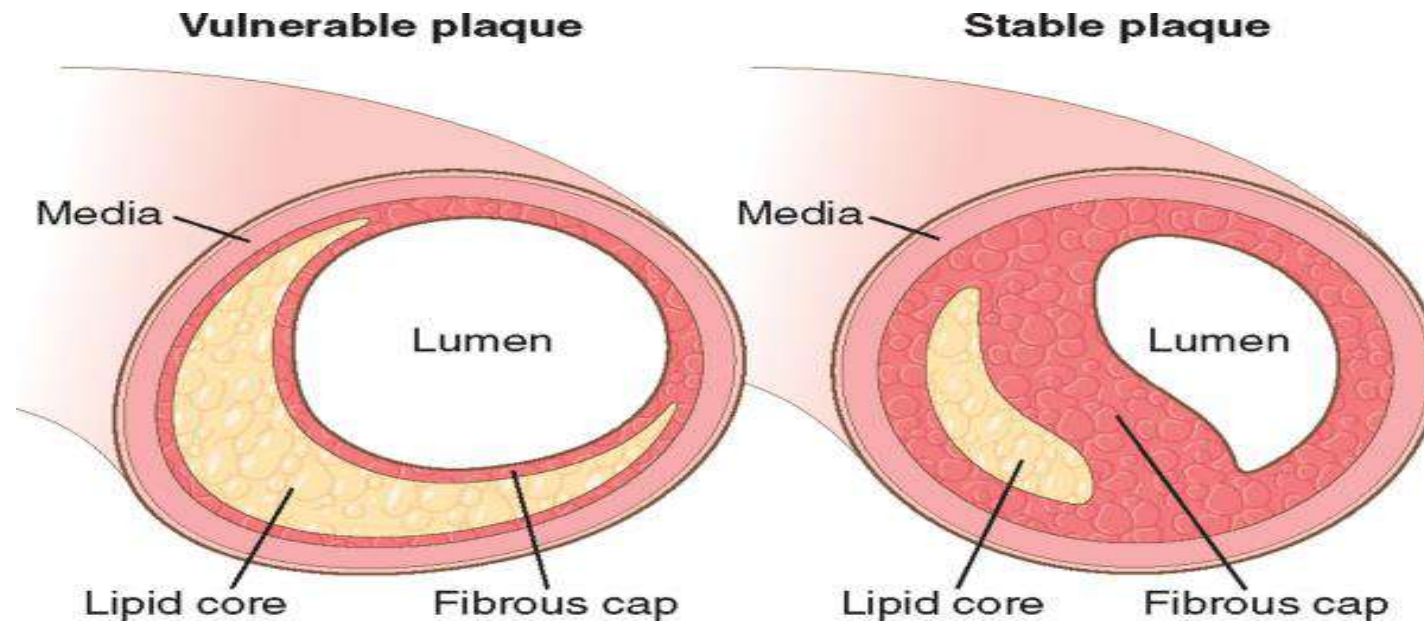
- Compromised blood flow WILL lead to ischemic injury secondary to *critical* occlusion of a small vessel.

- Total circumference expansion due to outward remodeling of vessel media is an adaptive mechanism before an injury commences.
- At 70% fixed occlusion, clinical symptoms surface (Stable angina).
- The effects of vascular occlusion ultimately depend on arterial supply and the metabolic demand of the affected tissue.

2. Acute plaque change

- Plaque rupture is promptly followed by partial or complete vascular thrombosis resulting in acute tissue infarction (e.g., myocardial or cerebral infarction).
- **Plaque changes fall into three general categories:**
 - **Rupture/fissuring**, exposing highly thrombogenic plaque constituents
 - **Erosion/ulceration**, exposing the thrombogenic subendothelial basement membrane to blood
 - **Haemorrhage** into the atheroma, expanding its volume

- The events that trigger abrupt changes in plaque configuration are complex and include:
 - Intrinsic factors (e.g., plaque structure and composition)
 - Extrinsic factors (e.g., blood pressure, platelet reactivity)



3. Thrombosis

- Thrombosis (partial/total) associated with a disrupted plaque is critical to the pathogenesis of the acute coronary syndromes.
- Thrombus superimposed on a disrupted partially stenotic plaque converts it to a total occlusion.
- In other coronary syndromes luminal obstruction by thrombosis is usually incomplete and will disappear with time.
- Mural thrombus in a coronary artery can also embolize.

4. Vasoconstriction

- **Vasoconstriction at sites of atheroma is stimulated by:**

 - (1) circulating adrenergic agonists
 - (2) locally released platelet contents
 - (3) impaired secretion of endothelial cell relaxing factors (nitric oxide) relative to contracting factors (endothelin) as a result of endothelial cell dysfunction
 - (4) mediators released from perivascular inflammatory cells.



Thank You

