



THE PREDIMED STUDY

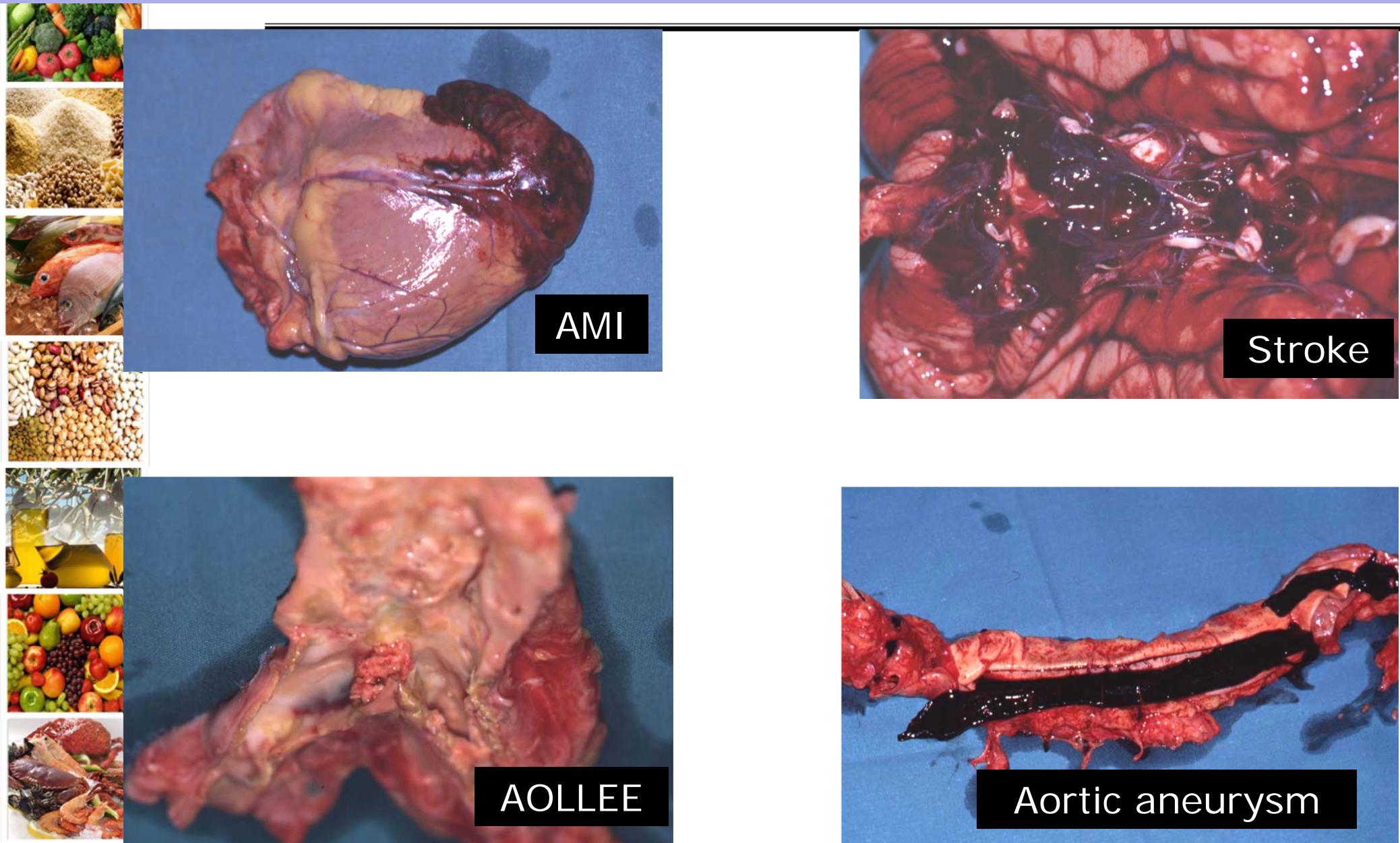
New evidences of the effects of the Mediterranean diet in the prevention of cardiovascular disease



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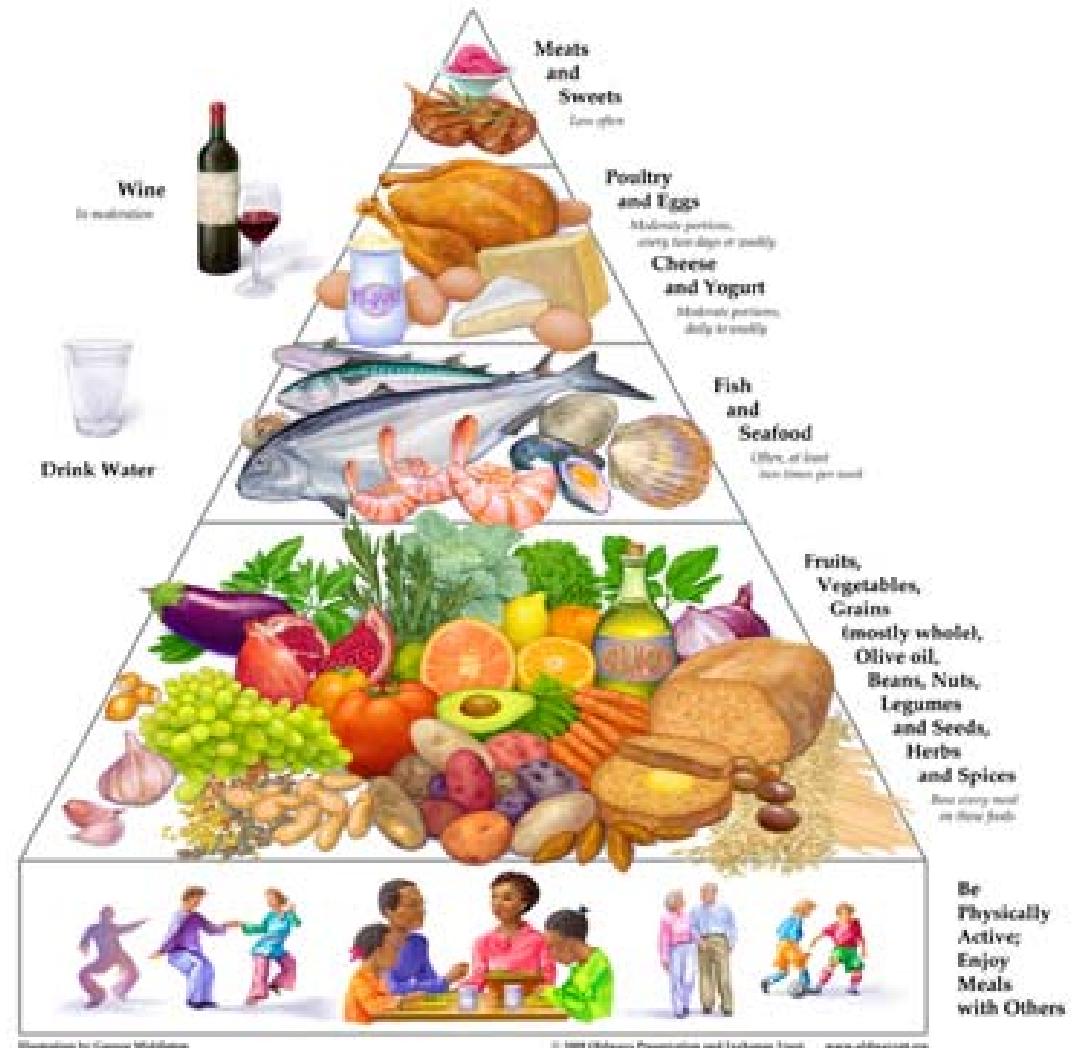
Cardiovascular disease is the main cause of death at the onset of the XXI Century



BEST WEAPONS AGAINST CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE: DIET AND EXERCISE

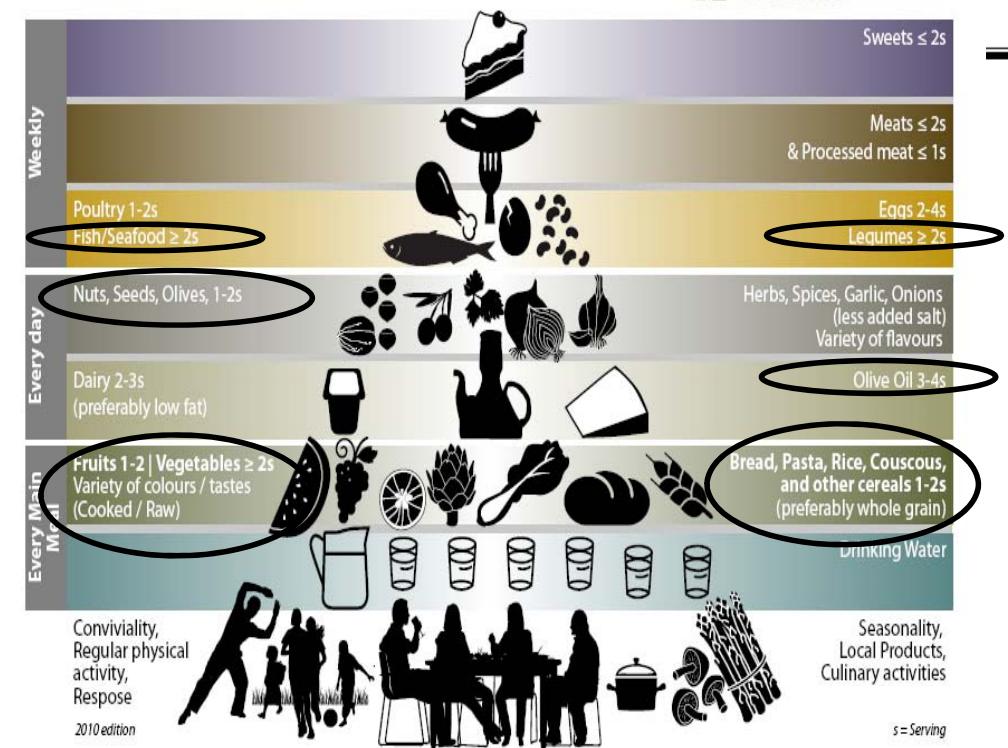
Mediterranean Diet Pyramid

A contemporary approach to delicious, healthy eating





Mediterranean Diet Pyramid Today | Adult population





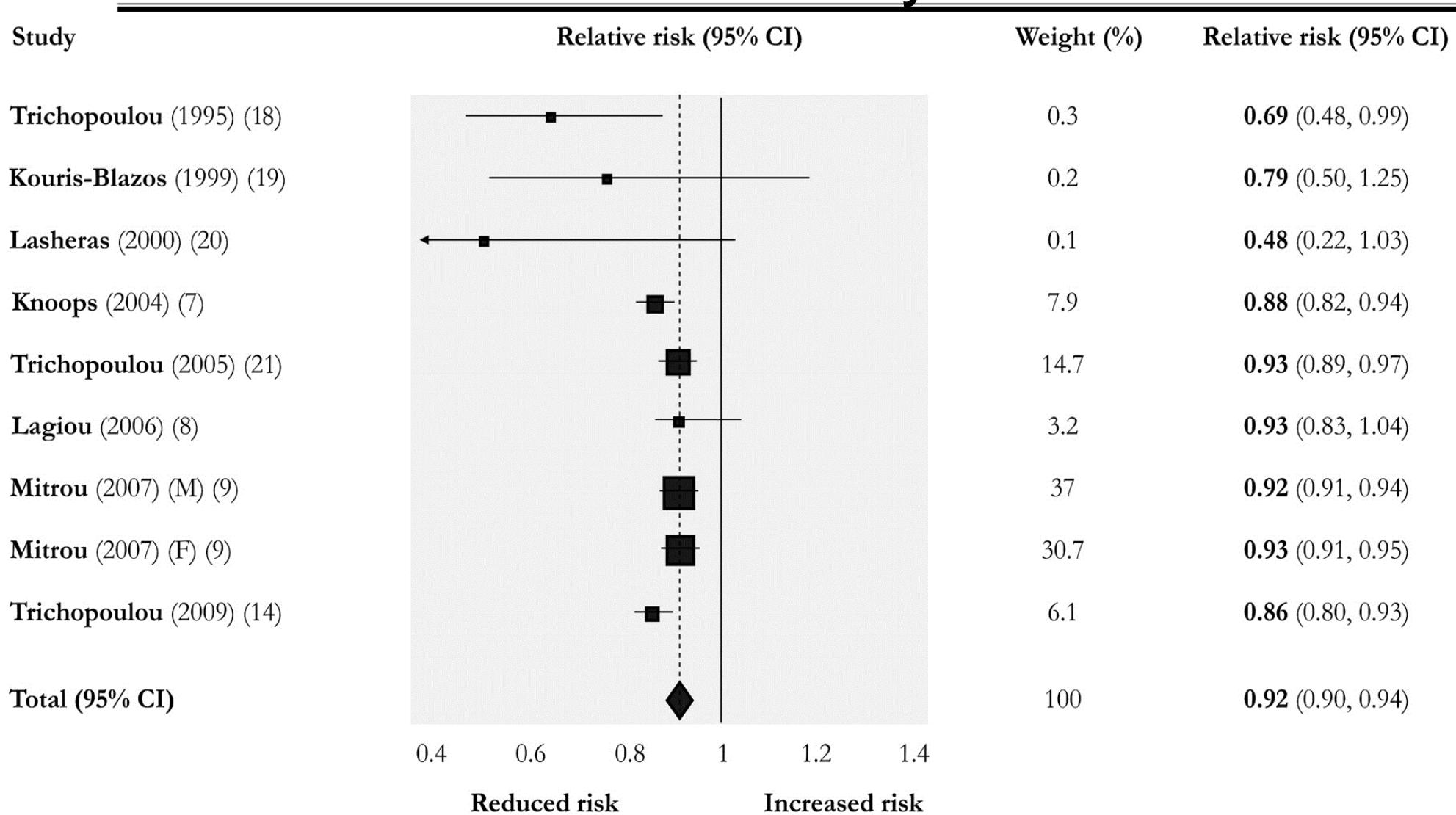


Mediterranean Food Pattern

- Rapidly increasing evidence
 - Increased Longevity
 - Prevention of
 - CV mortality
 - Cancer mortality
 - CVD incidence
 - Metabolic syndrome
 - Diabetes
 - Dementia
 - Depression
- Scarcity of large randomized trials

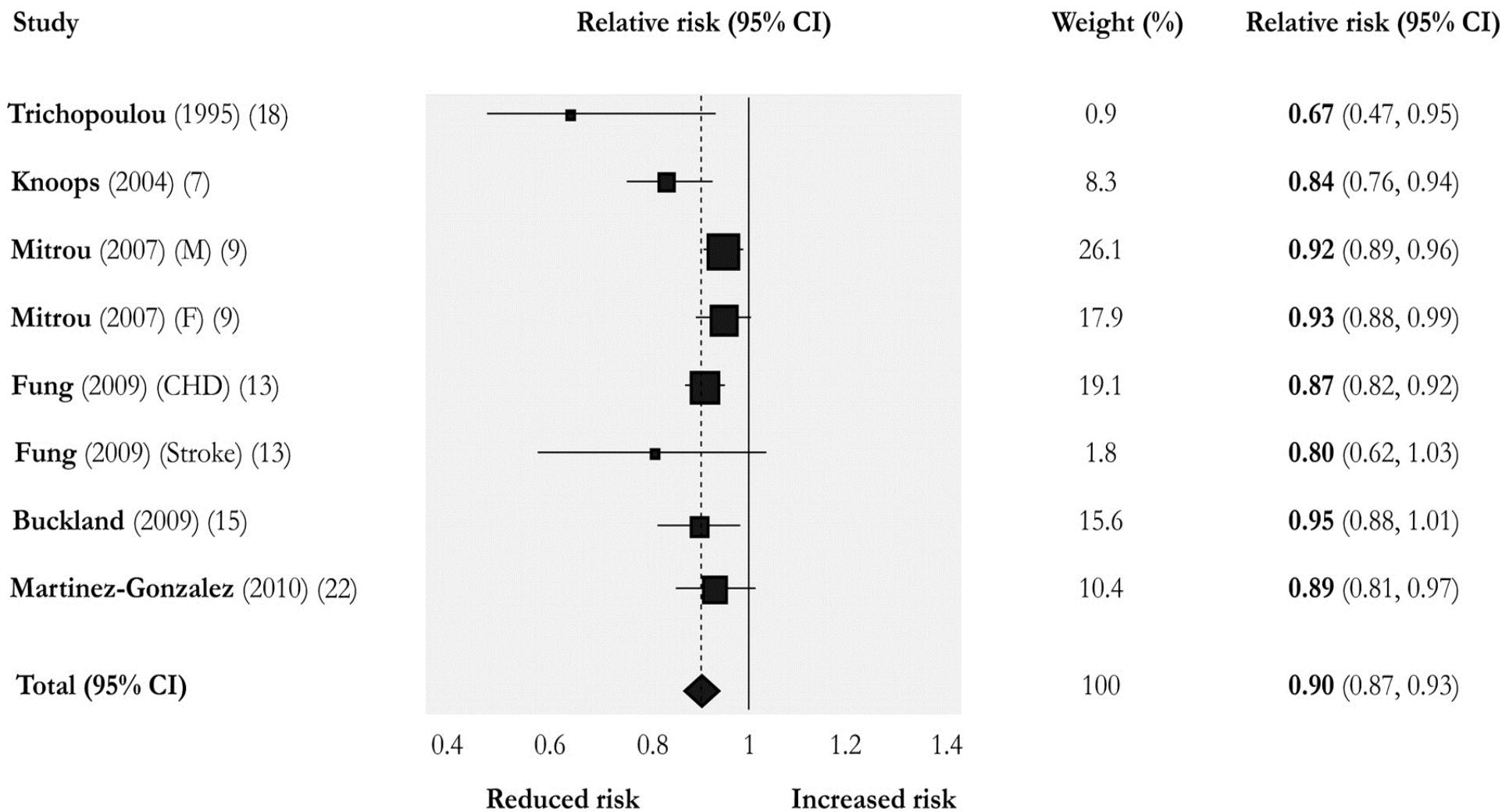


Forest plot of the association between a 2-point increase of adherence score to the Mediterranean diet and the risk of all-cause mortality.





Forest plot of the association between a 2-point increase of adherence score to the Mediterranean diet and the risk of mortality from or incidence of cardiovascular diseases.



Sofi F et al. Am J Clin Nutr 2010;92:1189-1196

Mediterranean Diet, Risk Factors and Cardiovascular Events after a Heart Attack: Report of the *Lyon Diet*

Design

- Randomized trial
- Mediterranean diet vs. control diet
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Intervention

- Mediterranean diet
- enriched with olive oil

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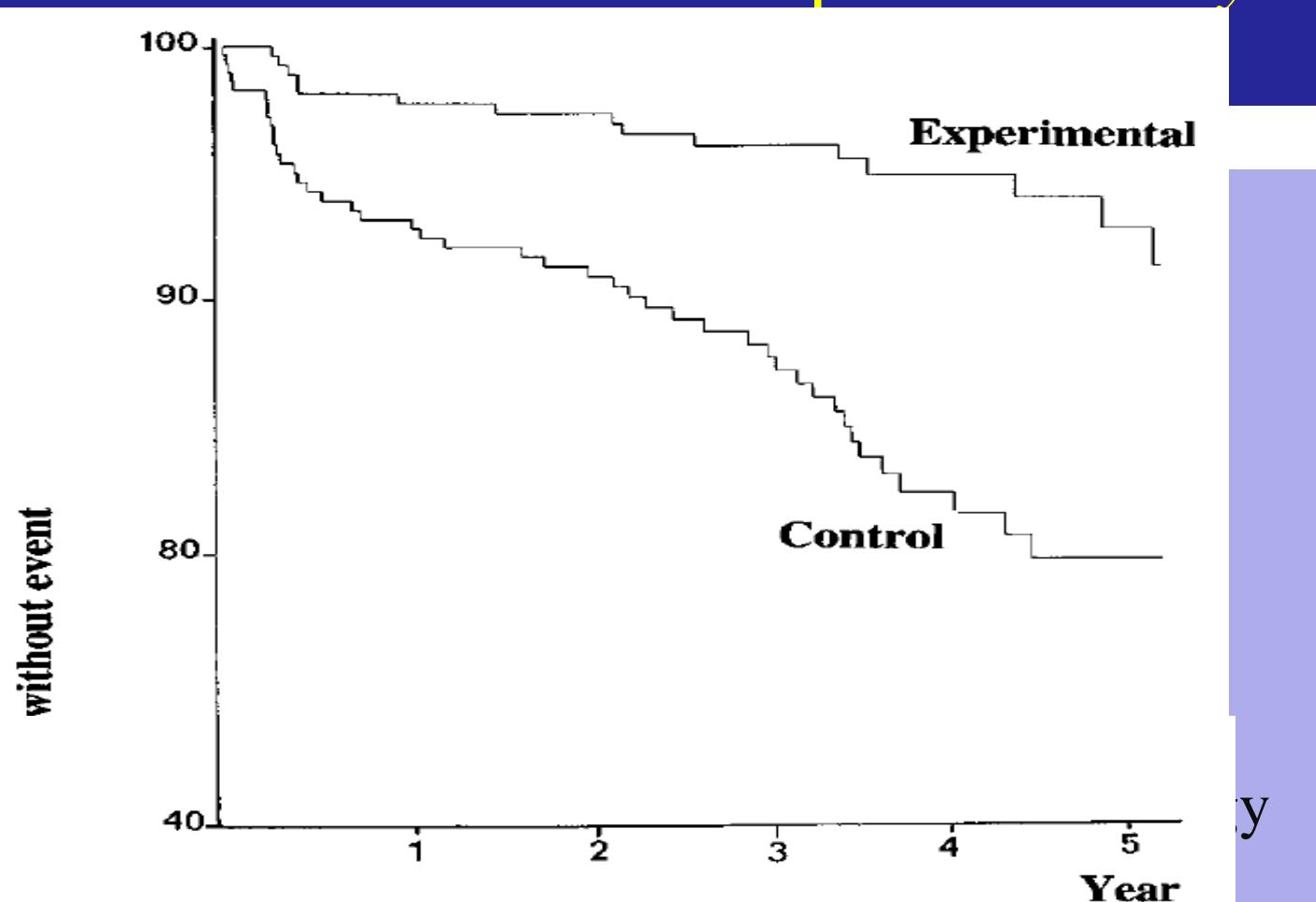
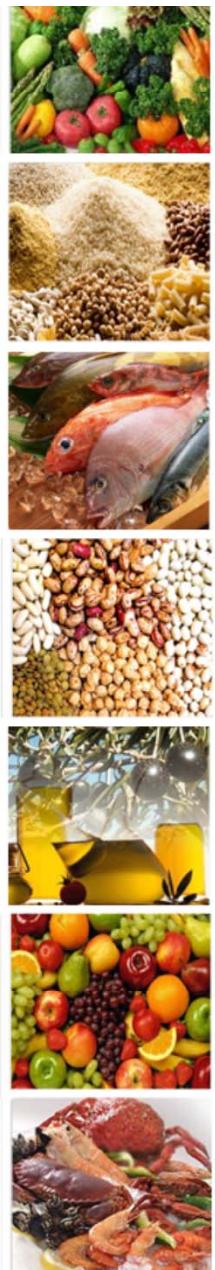


Figure 1. Cumulative survival without nonfatal myocardial infarction (CO 1) among experimental (Mediterranean group) patients and control subjects.

TO MONTHS

The Effect of the Mediterranean Diet on the Primary Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease. The PREDIMED Study



19 Research Groups of 7 Spanish Regions

10 Recruitment Centers



Primary specific aims

- To test the effect of a Mediterranean Diet enriched with virgin olive oil on the risk of cardiovascular diseases (a composite endpoint of cardiovascular death, myocardial infarction, and stroke).
- To test the effect of a Mediterranean diet enriched with nuts (walnuts, almonds, and hazelnuts) on the risk of cardiovascular diseases (a composite endpoint of cardiovascular death, myocardial infarction, and stroke).
- To test the effect of wine intake on the risk of cardiovascular diseases



Other specific aims

- To determine the changes in blood lipids, blood pressure, markers of oxidation and inflammation and other intermediate markers of cardiovascular risk to better understand how dietary changes are able to modify the risk of clinical events
- To identify the subjects with certain phenotypic and genotypic characteristics that benefit more from a Mediterranean diet
- To assess the effect of the MedDiet on the nutrigenomic response of atherosclerosis-related genes

PREDIMED TRIAL: DESIGN

All free of CVD at baseline

- Men: 55-80 yr
- Women: 60-80 yr
- High CV risk without CVD
type 2 diabetics
3+ risk factors

1. Smoking
2. Hypertension
3. ↑ LDL
4. ↓ HDL
5. Overweight/obese
6. Family history CHD

Random



**Mediet +
Virgin Olive Oil**



**Control
Low-fat**

PREDIMED Steering Committee

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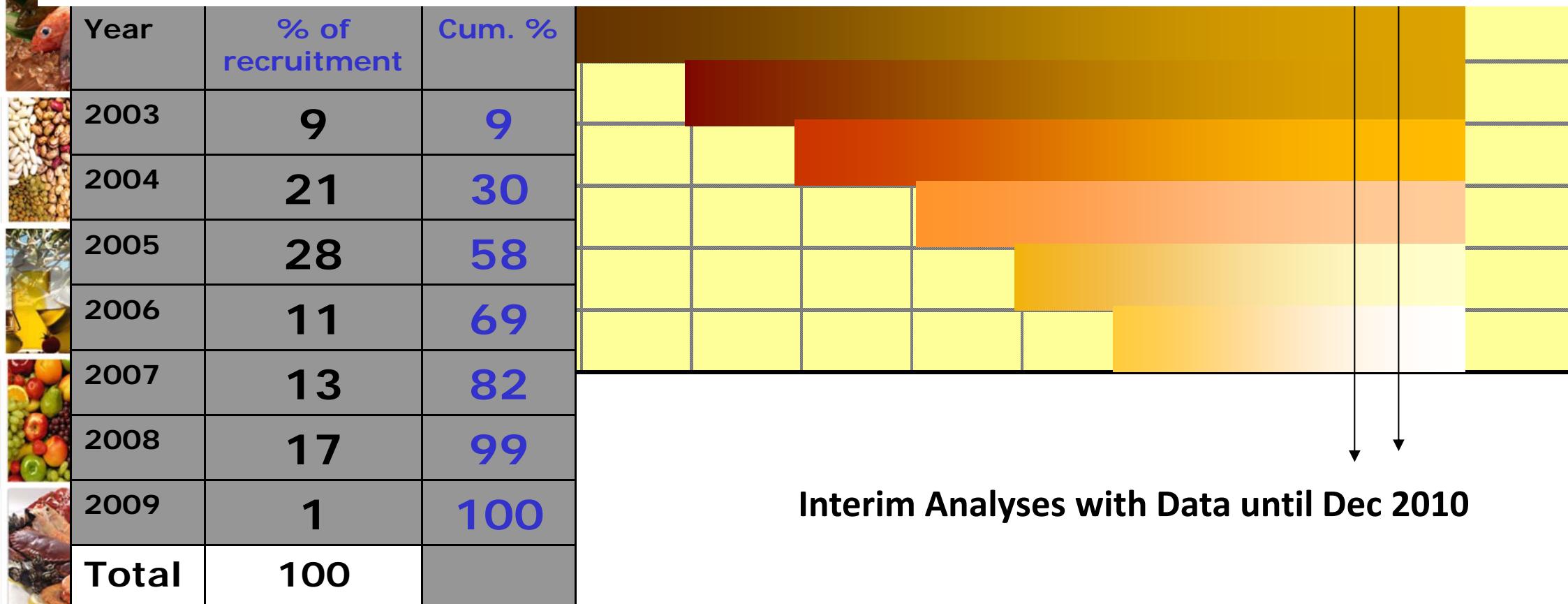
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Primary Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease with a Mediterranean Diet

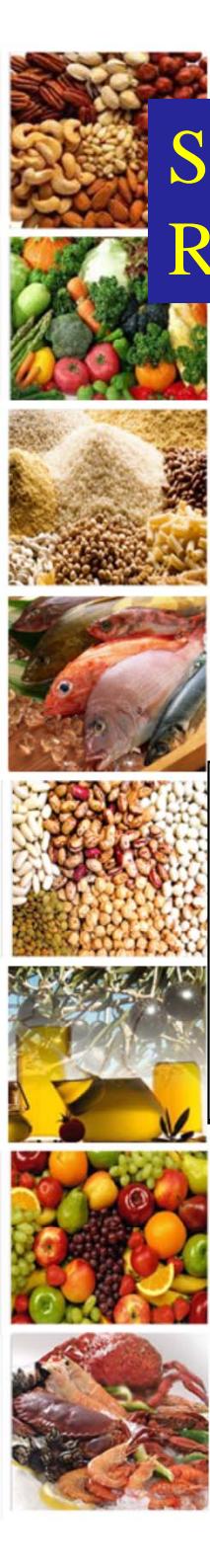
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ABSTRACT

Median Follow-up: 4.8 (2.8 to 5.8)

Participants: 7447

Intention-to-treat-analyses



Sample size and Randomization

7,447 participants

Control Low
Fat Diet

n= 2,543

Mediterranean
Diet
+



n= 2,454

Mediterranean
Diet
+



n= 2,450

PREDIMED Participants

	Mediet + VOO (n= 2543)	MeDiet + Nuts (n=2454)	Control (n=2450)
Age (SD)	67 (6)	67 (6)	67 (6)
Women (%)	57	54	58
Diabetes (%)	50	47	48
Hypertension (%)	82	82	84
Current smokers (%)	14	15	14
Dyslipidemia (%)	72	73	72
BMI, kg/m² (SD)	30 (4)	30 (4)	30 (4)
Waist circumf. (SD)	100 (10)	100 (10)	101 (11)
Med Diet 0-14 pts. (SD)	8.7 (2)	8.7 (2)	8.3 (2)

Table 1. Summary of Dietary Recommendations to Participants in the Mediterranean-Diet Groups and the Control-Diet Group.

Food	Goal
Mediterranean diet	
Recommended	
Olive oil*	≥4 tbsp/day
Tree nuts and peanuts†	≥3 servings/wk
Fresh fruits	≥3 servings/day
Vegetables	≥2 servings/day
Fish (especially fatty fish), seafood	≥3 servings/wk
Legumes	≥3 servings/wk
Sofrito‡	≥2 servings/wk
White meat	Instead of red meat
Wine with meals (optionally, only for habitual drinkers)	≥7 glasses/wk
Discouraged	
Soda drinks	<1 drink/day
Commercial bakery goods, sweets, and pastries§	<3 servings/wk
Spread fats	<1 serving/day
Red and processed meats	<1 serving/day

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Low-fat diet (control)

Recommended

Low-fat dairy products	≥3 servings/day
Bread, potatoes, pasta, rice	≥3 servings/day
Fresh fruits	≥3 servings/day
Vegetables	≥2 servings/wk
Lean fish and seafood	≥3 servings/wk

Discouraged

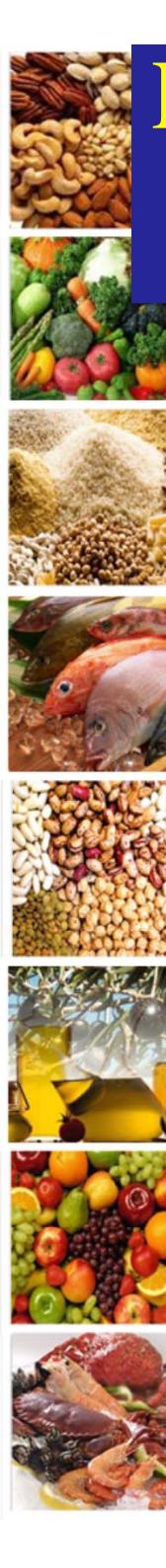
Vegetable oils (including olive oil)	≤2 tbsp/day
Commercial bakery goods, sweets, and pastries§	≤1 serving/wk
Nuts and fried snacks	≤1 serving /wk
Red and processed fatty meats	≤1 serving/wk
Visible fat in meats and soups¶	Always remove
Fatty fish, seafood canned in oil	≤1 serving/wk
Spread fats	≤1 serving/wk
Sofrito‡	≤2 servings/wk



PREDIMED INTERVENTION

Strategies for behavior change

- Repeated personal contacts: **every 3-mo.**
- Group sessions: **every 3-mo.**
- Holistic approach
 - Written information
 - Self-monitoring
 - Individualized goal-setting
 - Quick feedback
 - Individual motivational interviews (**every 3-mo.**)
 - adapted to the patient's features
 - clinical condition
 - preferences
 - beliefs
 - expressed in servings/d to improve understanding



PREDIMED INTERVENTION

Strategies for behavior change

- Additional strategies
 - Seasonal buying lists
 - Menus and recipes
- Only in the 2 MeDiet groups
 - Provision of key food items for free

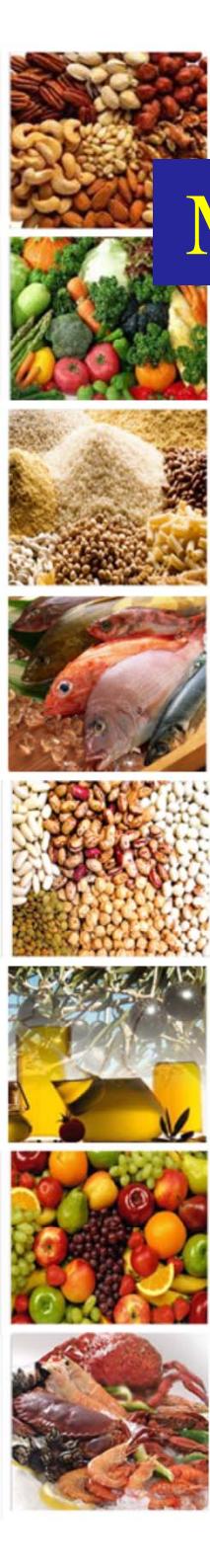
1 l/week



30 g/day



Control Group: Small gifts non-related with food



Measurements

Eligibility questionnaire	X
General questionnaire	X
Follow-up questionnaire	X X X X
Food Freq. questionnaire	X X X X X
14 item score of Med diet	X X X X X
Physical activity ques.	X X X X X
EKG, BP, and Anthropometric	X X X X X
Blood samples *	X X X X X
Fresh urine sample *	X X X X X
Toenail sample	X

* Specific measurements
Intervention compliance
assessment



Urinary tyrosol and hydroxytyrosol
Plasma fatty acid composition (oleic and
 α -linolenic acids)



PRIMARY END-POINT

Composite of:

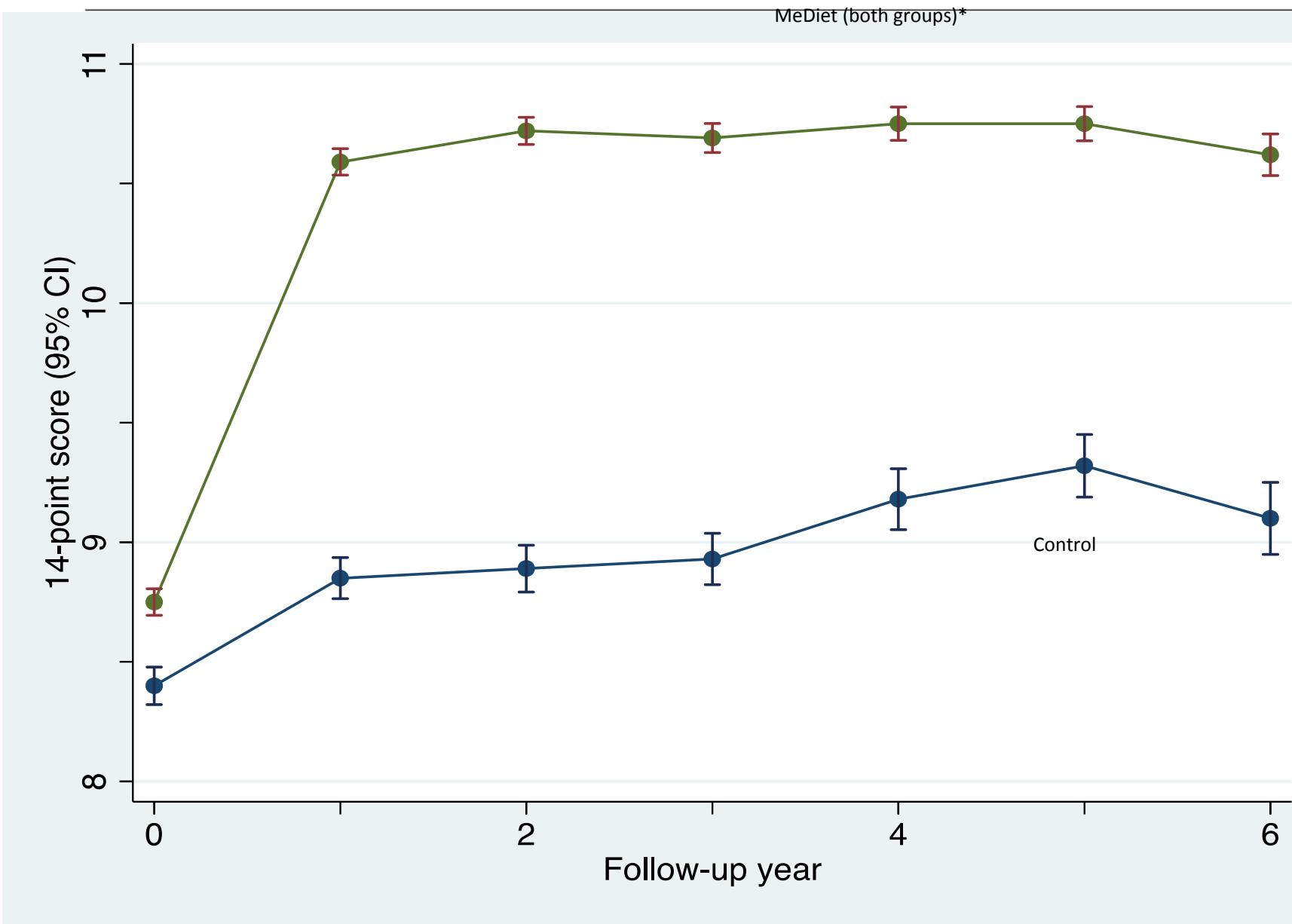
- Cardiovascular death
- Non-fatal myocardial infarction
- Non-fatal stroke

SECONDARY END-POINTS

- Cardiovascular death
- Non-fatal myocardial infarction
- Non-fatal stroke
- Death from any cause
- Angina leading to revascularization procedure
- Heart failure

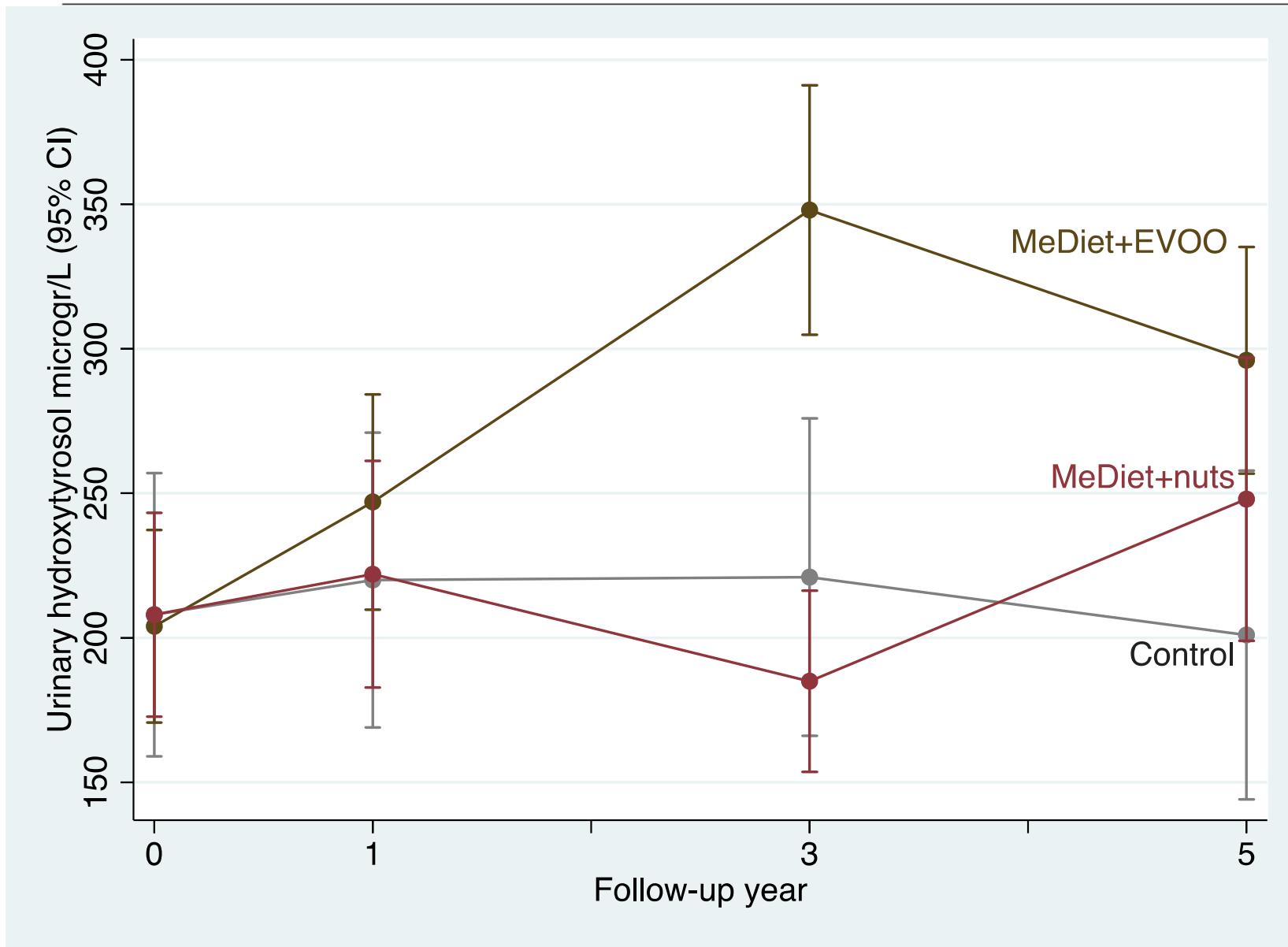


Results-Adherence to Mediterranean Diet



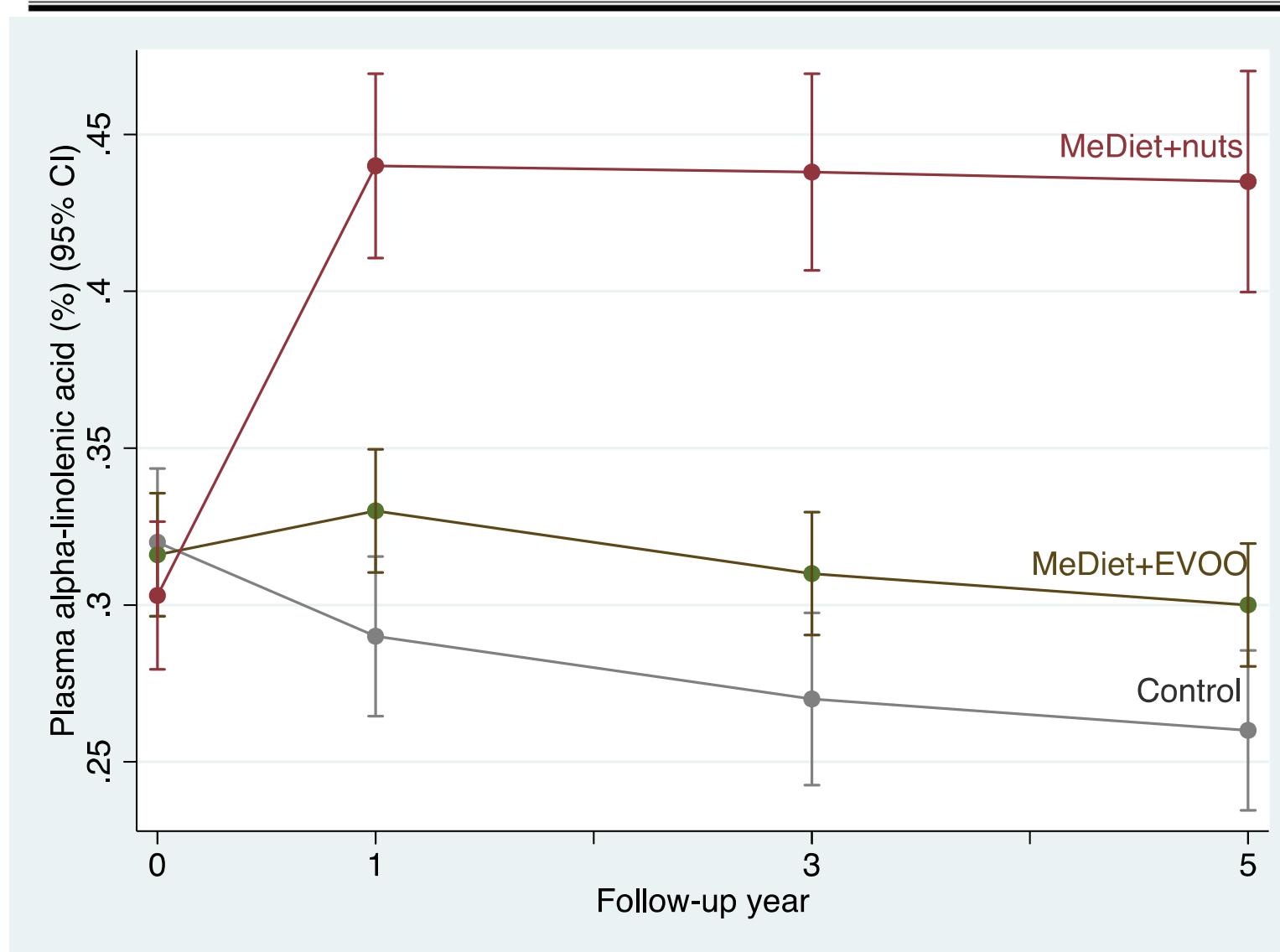


Adherence to MedDiet plus Virgin Olive Oil intervention





Adherence to the MedDiet plus nuts Intervention





Kaplan-Meier Estimates of the Incidence of the Primary End-point

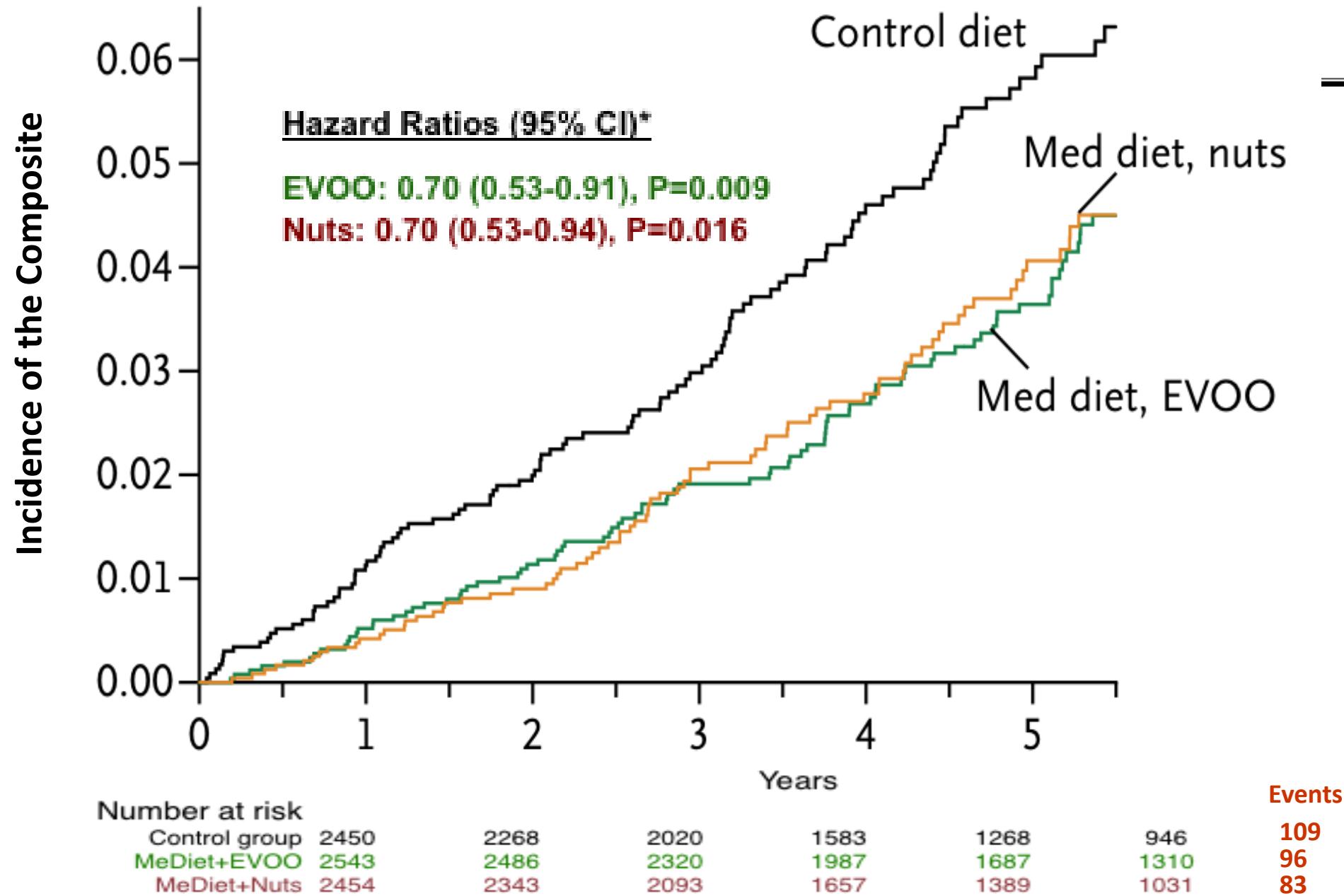


Table 3. Outcomes According to Study Group.*

End Point	Mediterranean Diet with EVOO (N=2543)	Mediterranean Diet with Nuts (N=2454)	Control Diet (N=2450)	P Value†
				Mediterranean Diet with EVOO vs. Control Diet Mediterranean Diet with Nuts vs. Control Diet

| Stratified by recruiting Center and adjusted by age, sex, family history of CHD, smoking, BMI, Waist-to height, and hypertension, dyslipidemia and diabetes at baseline

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¶ Additionally adjusted by BMI, Waist-to height, and hypertension, dyslipidemia and diabetes at baseline

Kaplan-Meier Estimates of the Incidence of Total Mortality

MeDiet+EVOO

118

MedDiet+Nuts

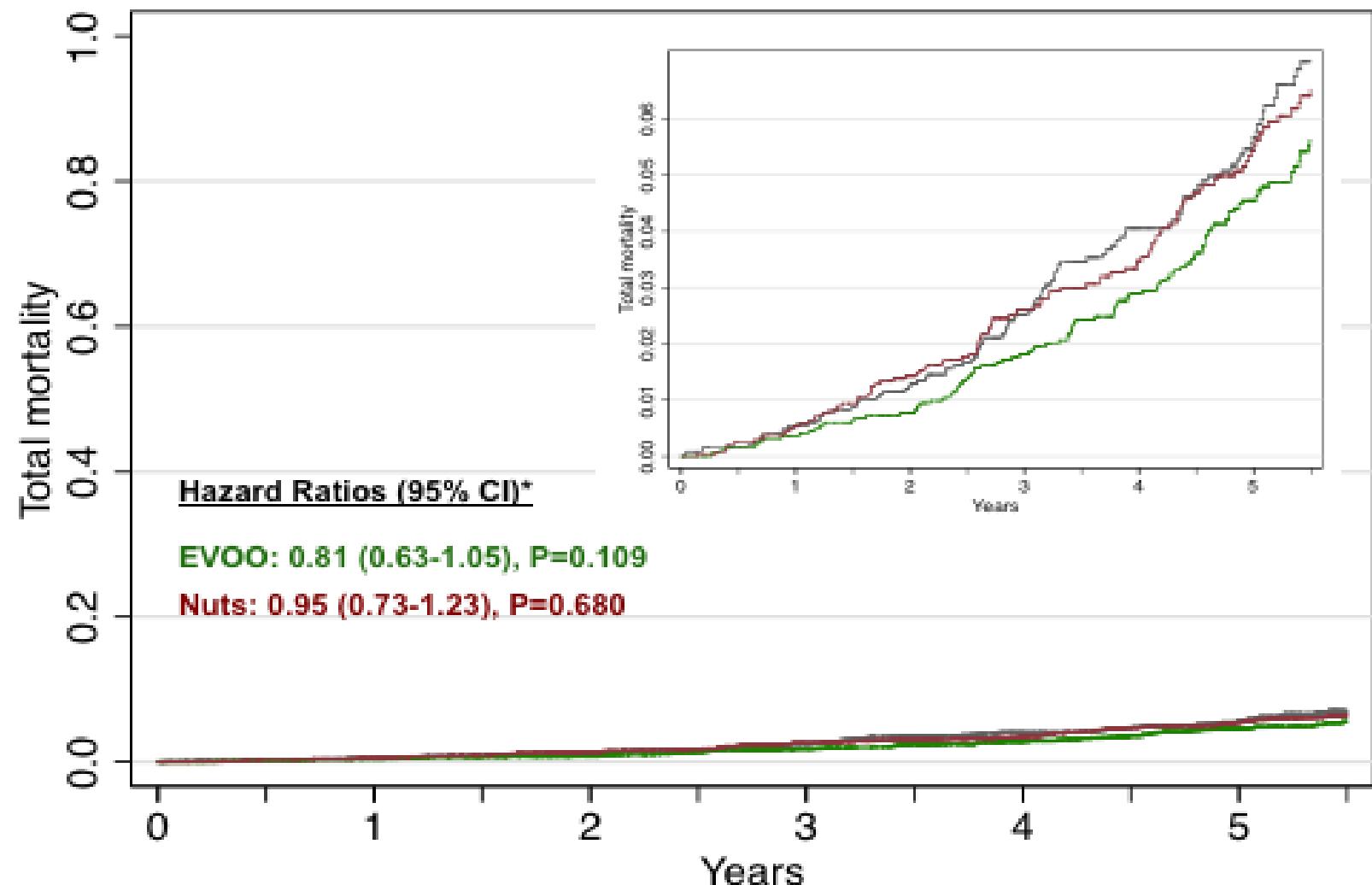
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Low-Fat

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No. of events:

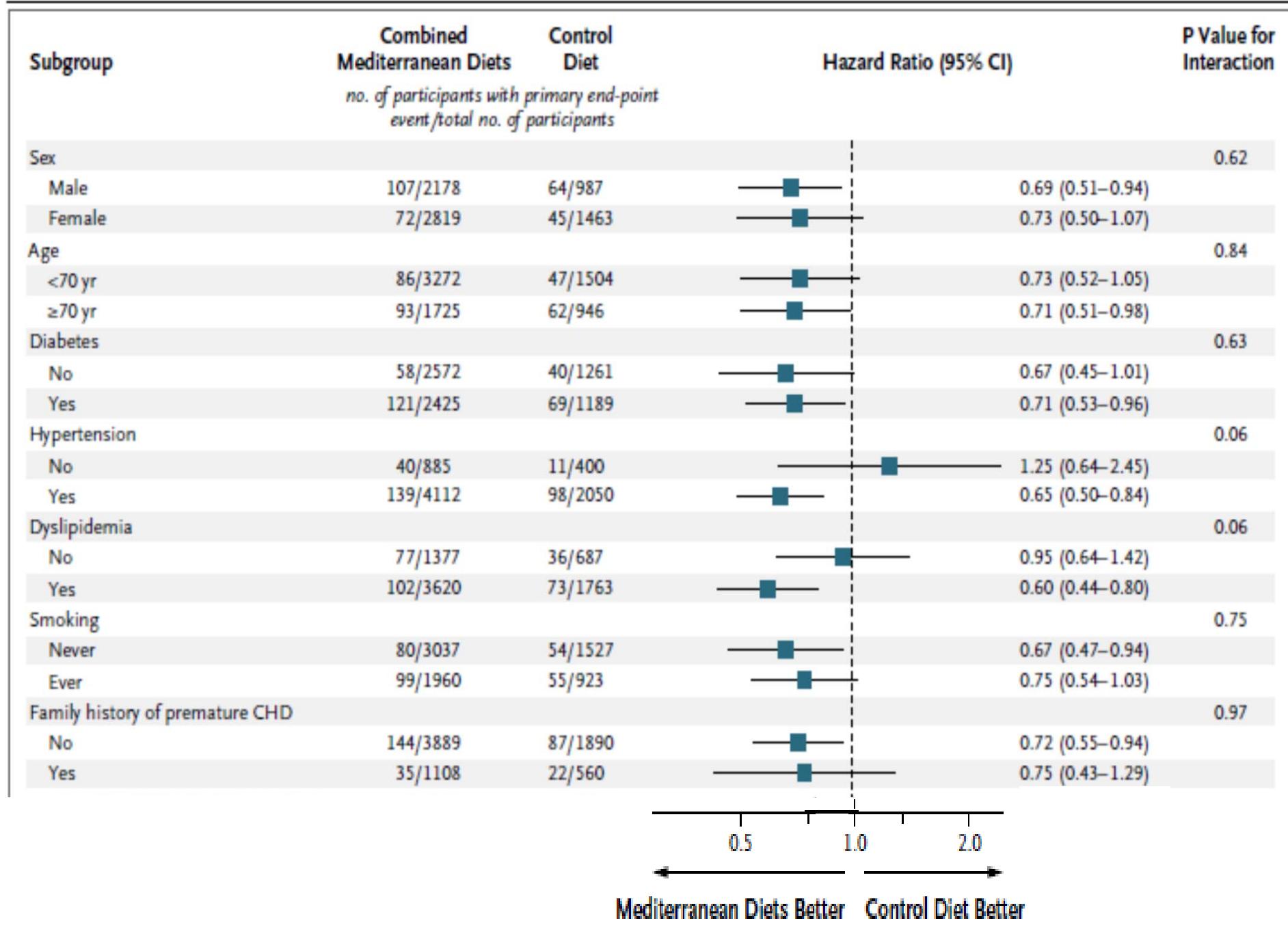
Crude rate/1000 person-yr (95% CI): 10.0 (8.2–11.9) 11.2 (9.3–13.4) 11.7 (9.6–14.0)



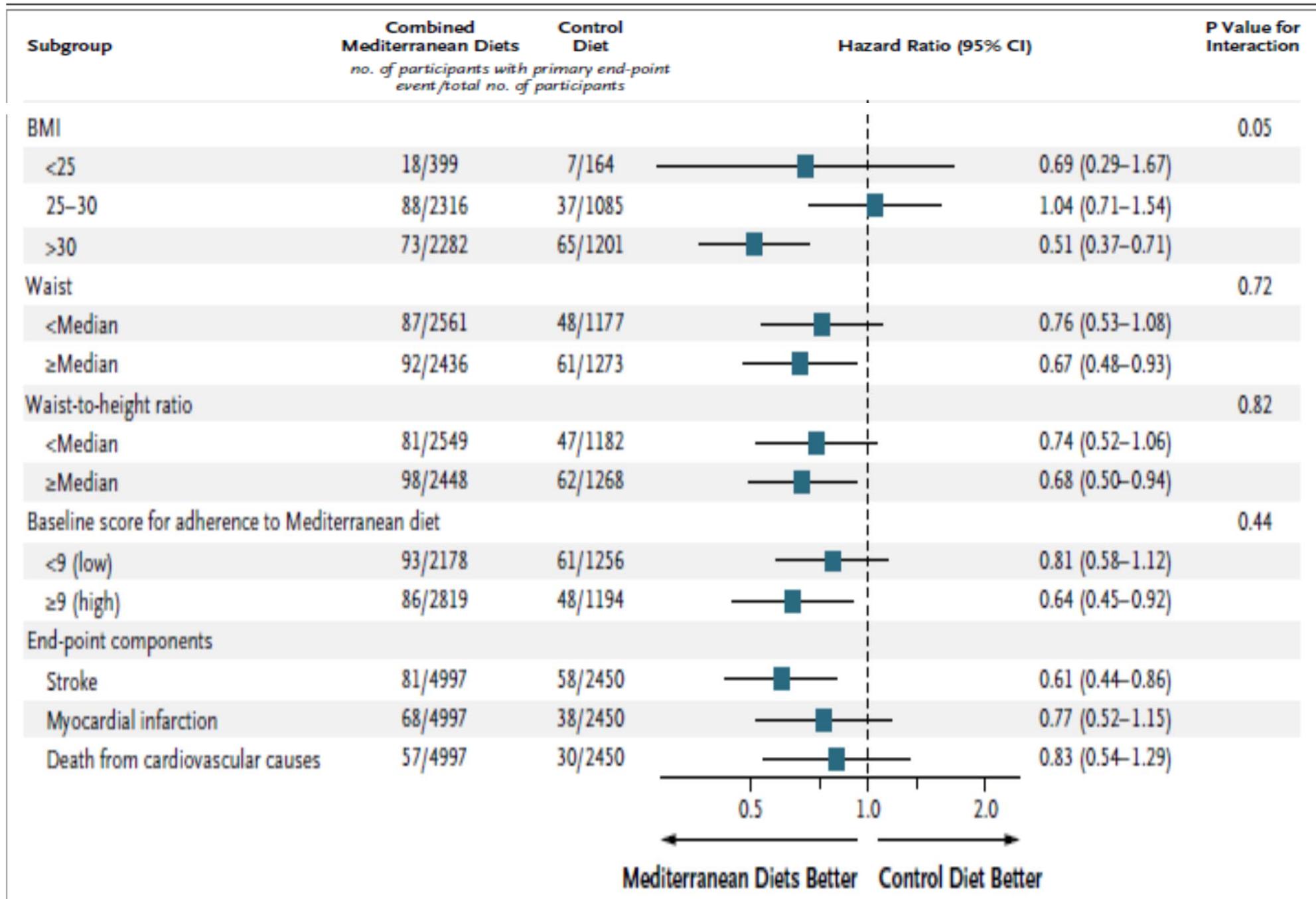
Number at risk

Control group	2450	2268	2026	1585	1272	948
MeDiet+EVOO	2543	2485	2322	1988	1690	1308
MeDiet+Nuts	2454	2345	2097	1662	1395	1037

The PREDIMED Study. Subgroup analyses



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Limitations

The protocol for the control group was changed halfway through the trial (October 2006). A lower intensity of dietary intervention for the control group during the first few years might have caused a bias toward a benefit in the Mediet groups, since the participants in these groups received a more intensive intervention during that time.

However, we found no significant interaction between the period of trial enrollment (before vs. after the protocol change) and the benefit in the Mediet groups.



Limitations

The generalizability of our findings is limited because all the study participants lived in a Mediterranean country and were at high cardiovascular risk.

Whether the results can be generalized to persons at lower risk or to other settings requires further research.

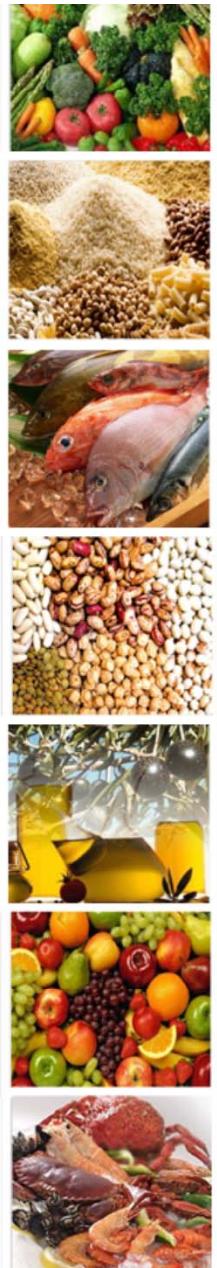


Conclusions

- 1. Among individuals at cardiovascular risk, a traditional Mediterranean diet supplemented with Extra Virgin Olive Oil or with Nuts promoted a 30% reduction in the incidence of major cardiovascular events.**
- 2. Results of the PREDIMED Study provide first level evidence on the benefits of the traditional Mediterranean diet on the primary prevention of cardiovascular disease.**

Primary Prevention by the Mediterranean Diet

The PREDIMED Study



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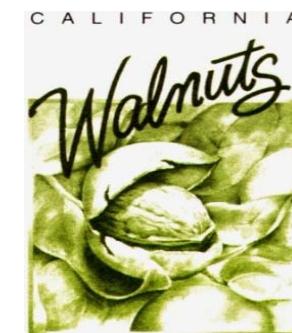
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION



Encuesta de 14 puntos

1. ¿Usted usa el aceite de oliva como principal grasa para cocinar?

Sí = 1 punto

2. ¿Cuánto aceite de oliva consume en total al día (incluyendo el usado para freir, comidas fuera de casa, ensaladas, etc.)?

4 o más cucharadas = 1 punto

3. ¿Cuántas raciones de verdura u hortalizas consume al día?

(las guarniciones o acompañamientos = 1/2 ración) 1 ración = 200g.

2 o más (al menos una de ellas en ensalada o crudas) = 1 punto

4. ¿Cuántas piezas de fruta (incluyendo zumo natural) consume al día?

3 o más al dia = 1 punto

5. ¿Cuántas raciones de carnes rojas, hamburguesas, salchichas o embutidos consume al día? (ración: 100 - 150 g)

menos de 1 al dia = 1 punto

6. ¿Cuántas raciones de mantequilla, margarina o nata consume al día?
(porción individual: 12 g)

menos de 1 al dia = 1 punto

7. ¿Cuántas bebidas carbonatadas y/o azucaradas (refrescos, colas, tónicas, bitter) consume al día?

menos de 1 al dia = 1 punto

Encuesta de 14 puntos

8. ¿Bebe usted vino? ¿Cuánto consume a la semana?

7 o más vasos a la semana = 1 punto

9. ¿Cuantas raciones de legumbres consume a la semana?

(1 plato o ración de 150 g)

3 o más a la semana = 1 punto

10. ¿Cuantas raciones de pescado-mariscos consume a la semana?

(1 plato pieza o ración: 100 - 150 de pescado o 4-5 piezas o 200 g de marisco)

3 o más a la semana = 1 punto

11. ¿Cuantas veces consume reposteria comercial (no casera) como galletas, flanes, dulce o pasteles a la semana?

menos de 2 a la semana = 1 punto

12. ¿Cuantas veces consume frutos secos a la semana? (ración 30 g)

3 o más a la semana = 1 punto

13. ¿Consumе usted preferentemente carne de pollo, pavo o conejo en vez de ternera, cerdo, hamburguesas o salchichas? (carne de pollo: 1 pieza o ración de 100 - 150 g)

Sí = 1 punto

14. ¿Cuantas veces a la semana consume los vegetales cocinados, la pasta, arroz u otros platos aderezados con salsa de tomate, ajo, cebolla o puerro elaborada a fuego lento con aceite de oliva (sofrito)?

2 o más a la semana = 1 punto



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