

Hormonel kontraception til kvinder i forskellige aldre

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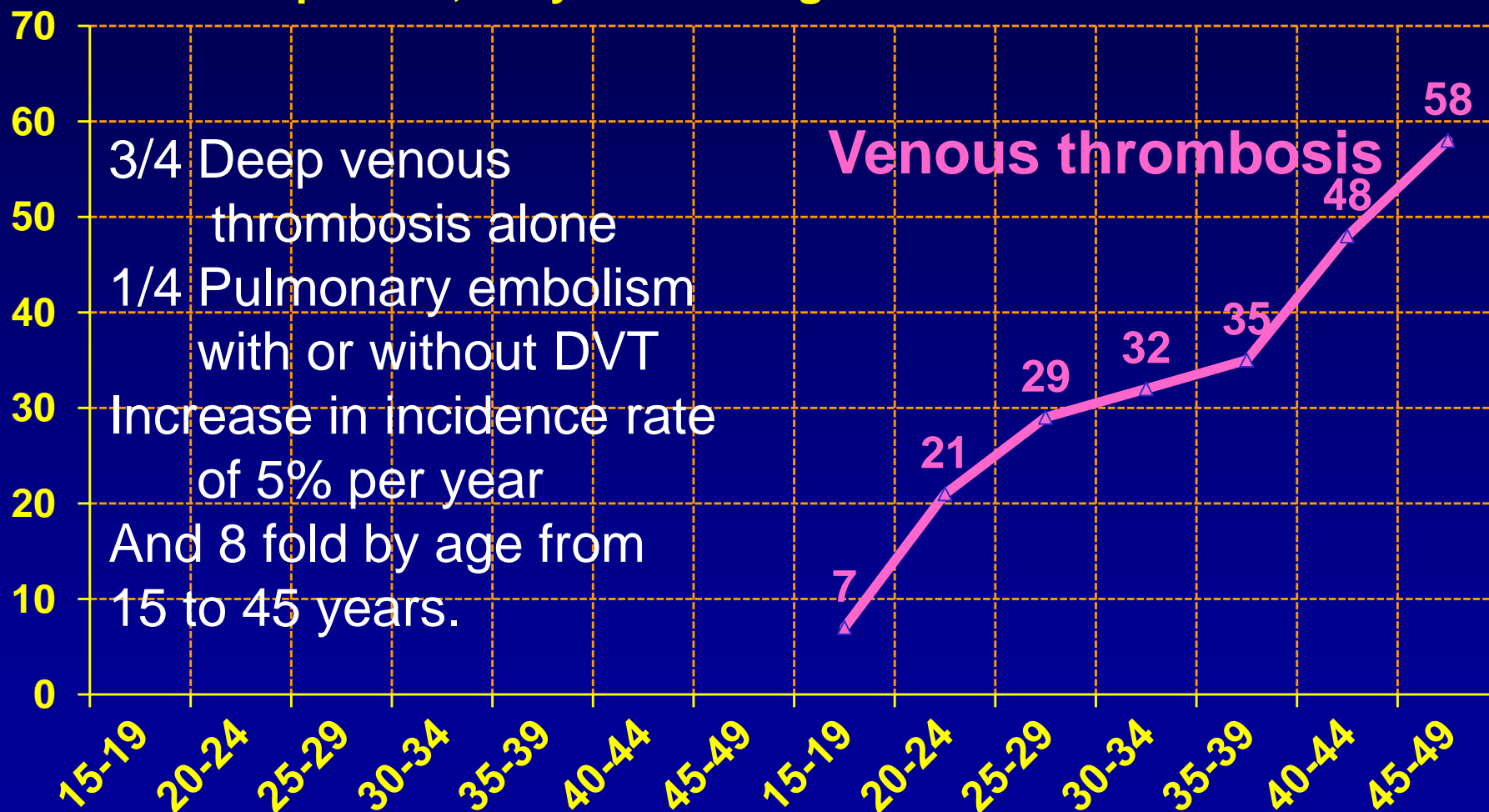
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Venous thrombosis in DK 2001-2009

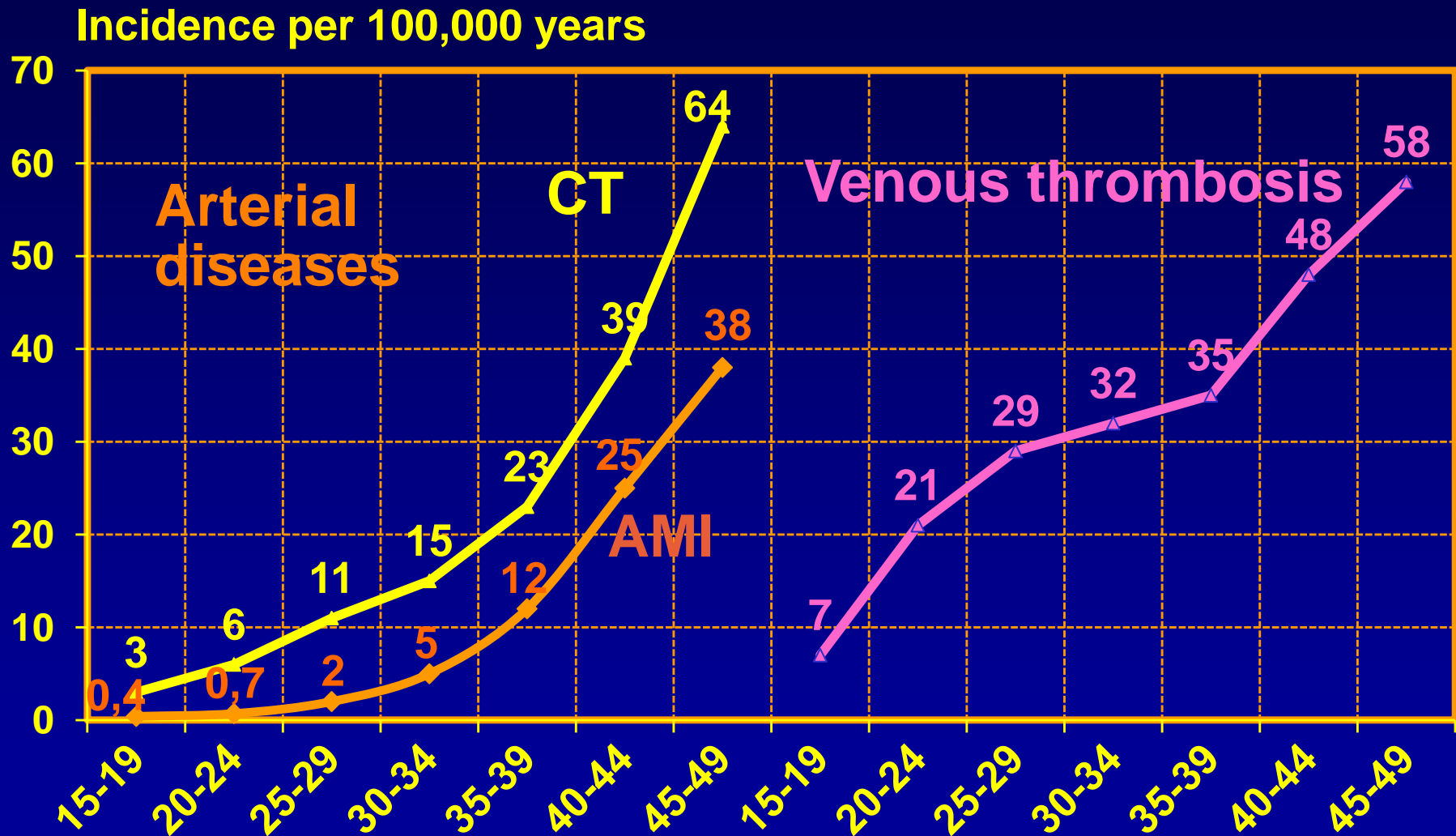
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Incidence per 100,000 years among non-users of HC



CT, AMI and VT in DK 2001-2009*

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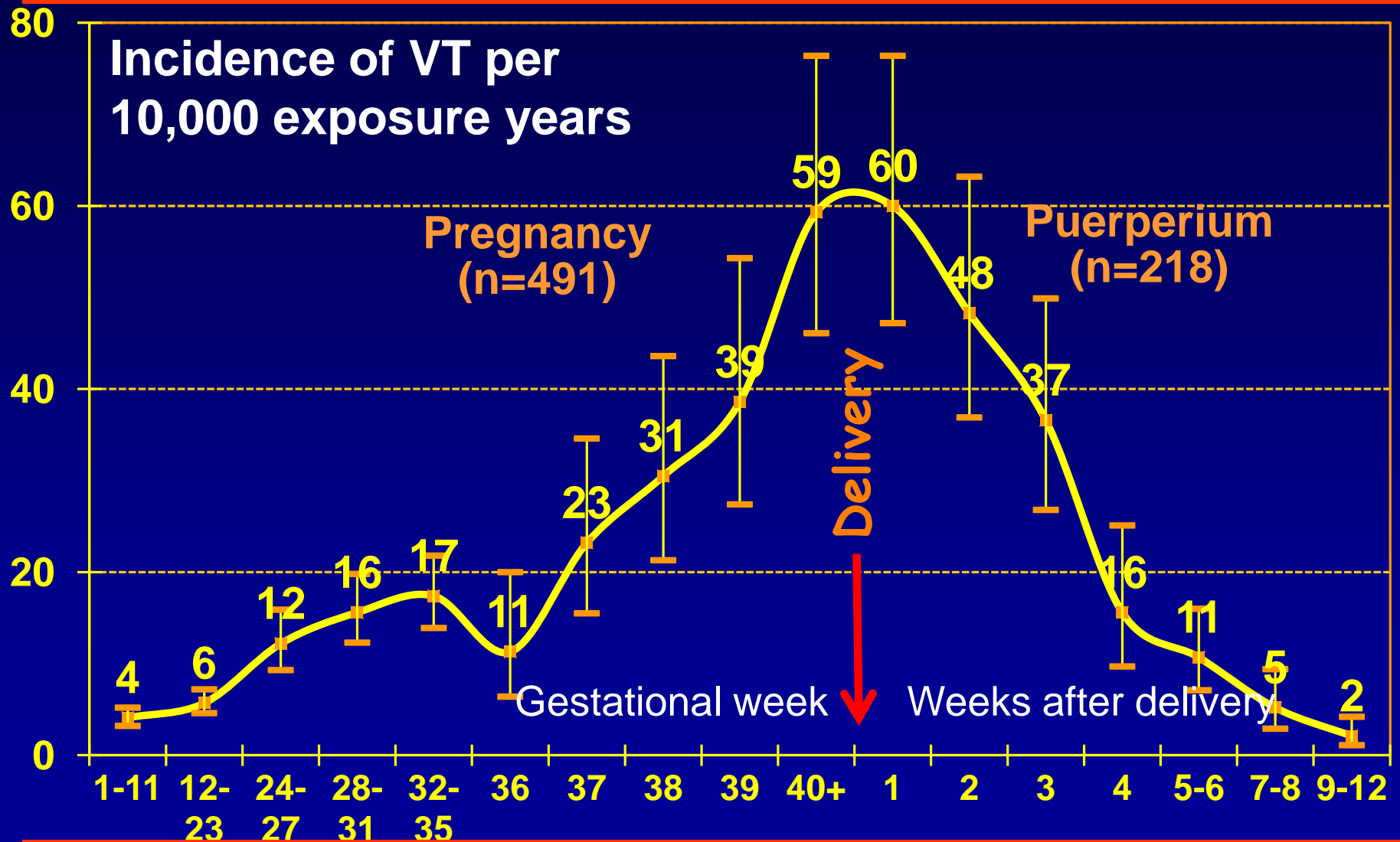
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Hormonal contraception and risk of venous thromboembolism: national follow-up study

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ABSTRACT

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Samuel Shapiro, Jürgen Dinger

Abstract

Background Two recent studies, a cohort study from Denmark, and a case-control study from The Netherlands, have reported increased risks of venous thromboembolism (VTE) among users of oral contraceptives (OCs) containing desogestrel, gestodene, drospirenone and cyproterone, relative to the use of levonorgestrel.

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valid. (1) The relative risk for drospirenone versus levonorgestrel was not statistically significant. (2) Extensive publicity had been given to the risk of VTE among users of desogestrel, gestodene, drospirenone and cyproterone: information bias and detection bias were therefore likely. (3) Inadequate allowance was made for duration of use. (4) The combination of two different control groups, both of them likely to have been biased, into a single category was not valid.

Conclusion The best evidence continues to suggest that the increased risk of VTE in OC users is a class effect, dependent on the estrogen dose and duration of use, and independent of the progestogen used.

Keywords combined oral contraceptives, progestogen, risk assessment, venous thromboembolism

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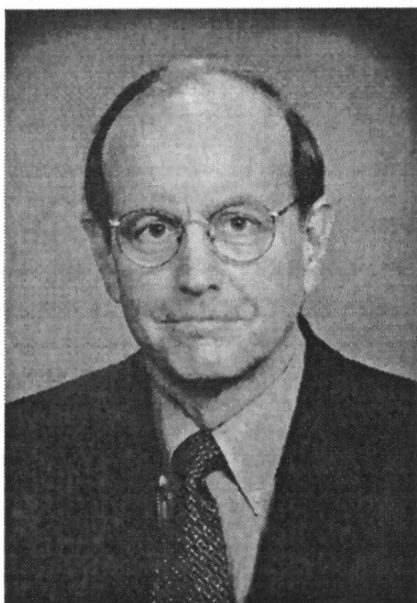
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An Editor

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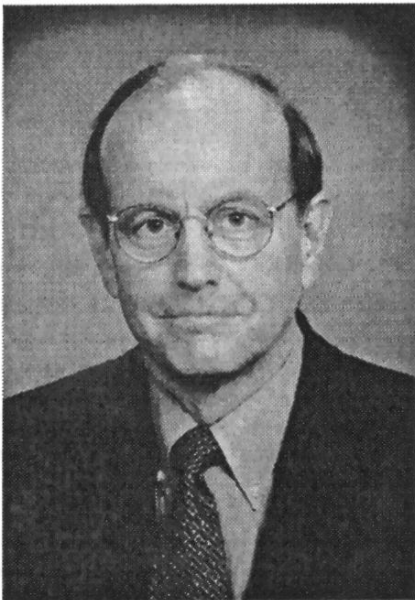
Research using vital records should be limited to simple descriptive reports with caveats about data accuracy. Using birth certificate information for epidemiologic analyses is inappropriate because of well documented deficiencies in information quality³. Similarly, epidemiologic research using administrative databases, such as the Danish National Patient Registry, must at a minimum validate each reported outcome by chart review⁹ or by patient interview.

In recent decades, the computer science concept of "GIGO" ("garbage in, garbage out") has somehow come to mean "garbage in, gospel out"¹⁰. When computer software tackles a large database, many accept the "computerized" output as trustworthy, regardless of the quality of the input. Sadly, no fancy statistical machinations can compensate for poor-quality data. Publications relying on unconfirmed database reports of venous thromboembolism should be ignored.

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RESEARCH

Risk of venous thromboembolism from use of oral contraceptives containing different progestogens and oestrogen doses: Danish cohort study, 2001-9



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Lidegaard et al. BMJ 2011; 343: d6423

Combined oral contraceptives, venous thromboembolism, and the problem of interpreting large but incomplete datasets

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Background

In 2009, Lidegaard *et al.*¹ published findings in the *British Medical Journal*, derived from a Danish retrospective cohort study of the risk of venous thromboembolism (VTE) associated with the use of combined oral contraceptives (COCs). Their analysis was based on data derived from national health registries, and they concluded that “oral contraceptives with desogestrel, gestodene, or drospirenone were associated with a significantly higher risk of VTE than oral contraceptives with levonorgestrel”. That report has previously

in the publication differ from those mentioned in the re-analysis submitted to EMA (one example is given below).

Since the mid-1990s there has been heated debate regarding the risk of VTE associated with the use of different progestogens, and those who have followed the discussion can only note with concern its confrontational and increasingly sharp tone, which, unfortunately, is also reflected in the published responses to the re-analysis,^{5–7} and more particularly in the authors’ replies.^{8,9}

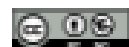
The heat of the debate may have some-

Dinger & Shapiro, on the road again

We conclude that the best evidence continues to suggest that the increased risk of VTE among COC users is a class effect. In the Danish data an analysis confined to women who used COCs for the first time from 2001 onward did not support any differential effects of progestogens. Surprisingly, this information was neither presented nor discussed in the published re-analysis.⁴ Any potential differences, if they exist at all, are probably beyond the resolving power of the ‘epidemiological microscope’.

RESEARCH

Venous thrombosis in users of non-oral hormonal contraception: follow-up study, Denmark 2001-10



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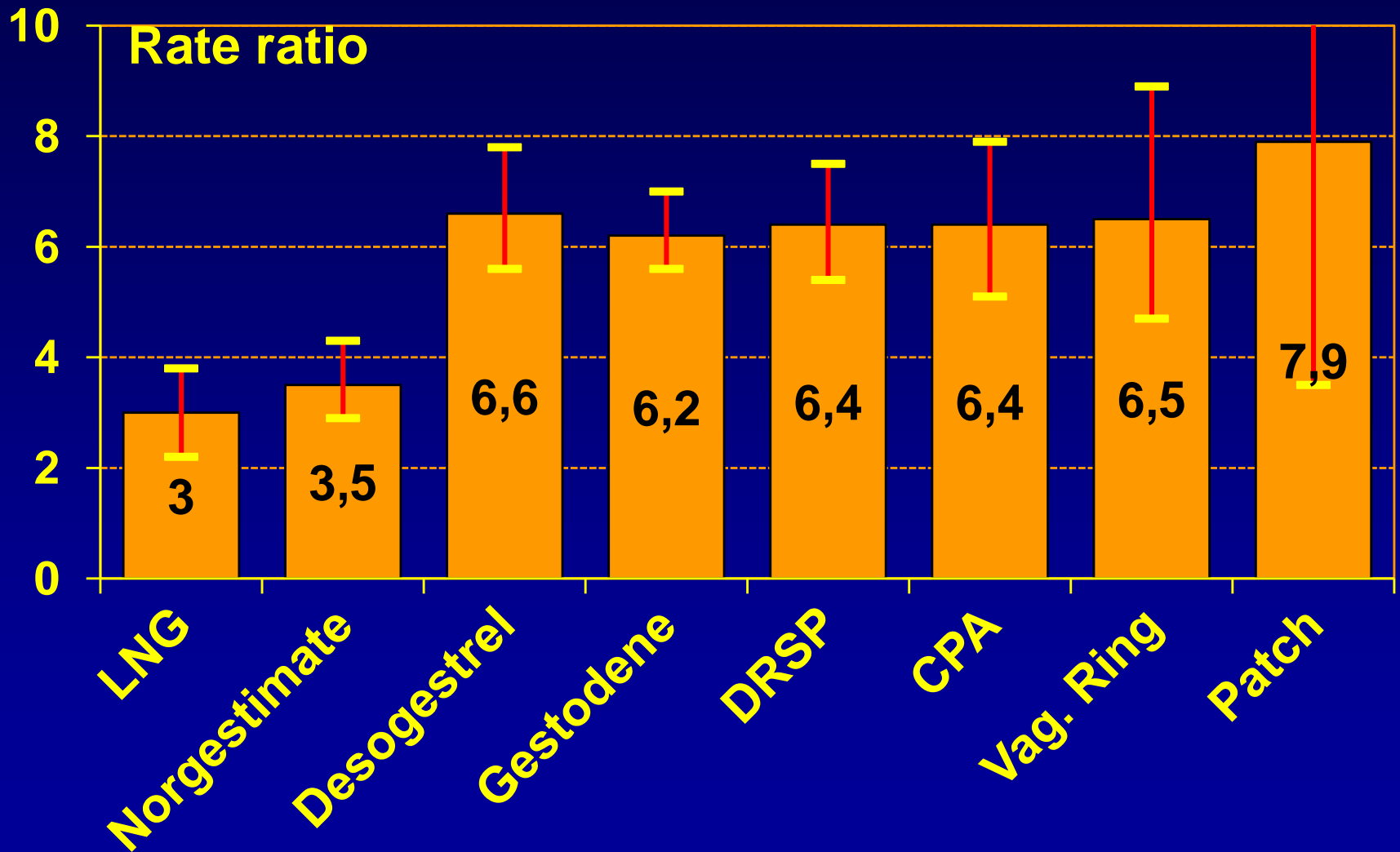
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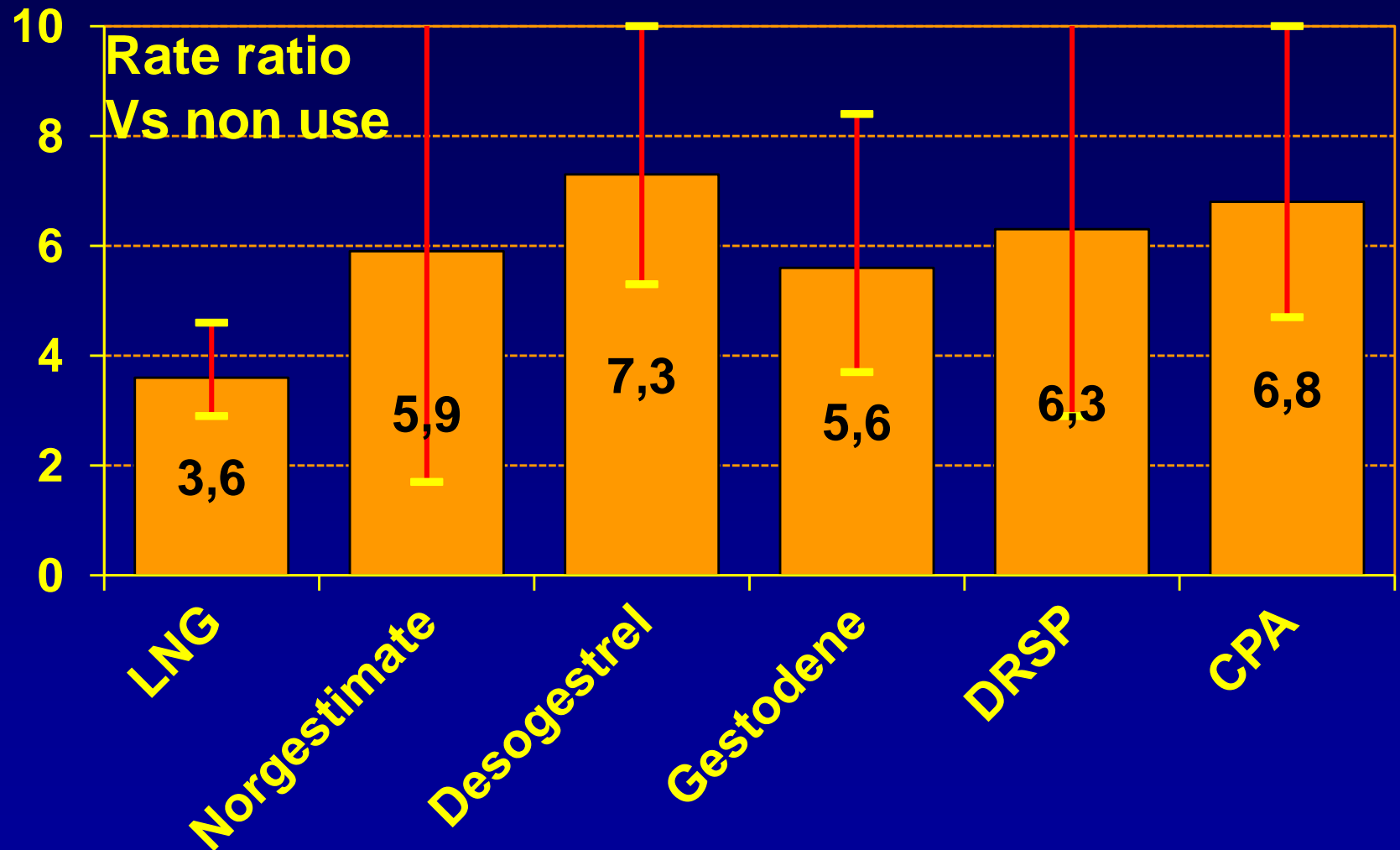
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Relative risk versus non-use

Confirmed events only



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ABSTRACT

Background In December 2011, the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) convened a public Advisory Committee meeting to review evidence from a study commissioned by the agency. An analysis of findings derived from four databases was published on the FDA website, and presented at the meeting. Among users of combined hormonal contraceptives containing ethinylestradiol (EE) plus drospirenone (DRSP) the risks of venous (VTE) and arterial thromboembolism (ATE) were higher than

[myocardial infarction (MI) and stroke combined], in users of recently introduced combined estrogen/progestogen hormonal contraceptives (CHCs).¹ At the time of the meeting the findings had only been published on the FDA website, but not in a peer-reviewed journal.

The investigators concluded that their data “[provided] another positive finding to the increasing body of evidence linking [drospirenone (DRSP)] to increased risk of VTE relative to standard low-dose

Shapiro, critique of FDA

Conclusions The best evidence continues to suggest that the increased risk of VTE in combined hormonal contraceptive users is dependent on the dose of estrogen, and independent of the progestogen used. The best evidence also suggests that DRSP does not increase the risk of ATE, and may reduce it.

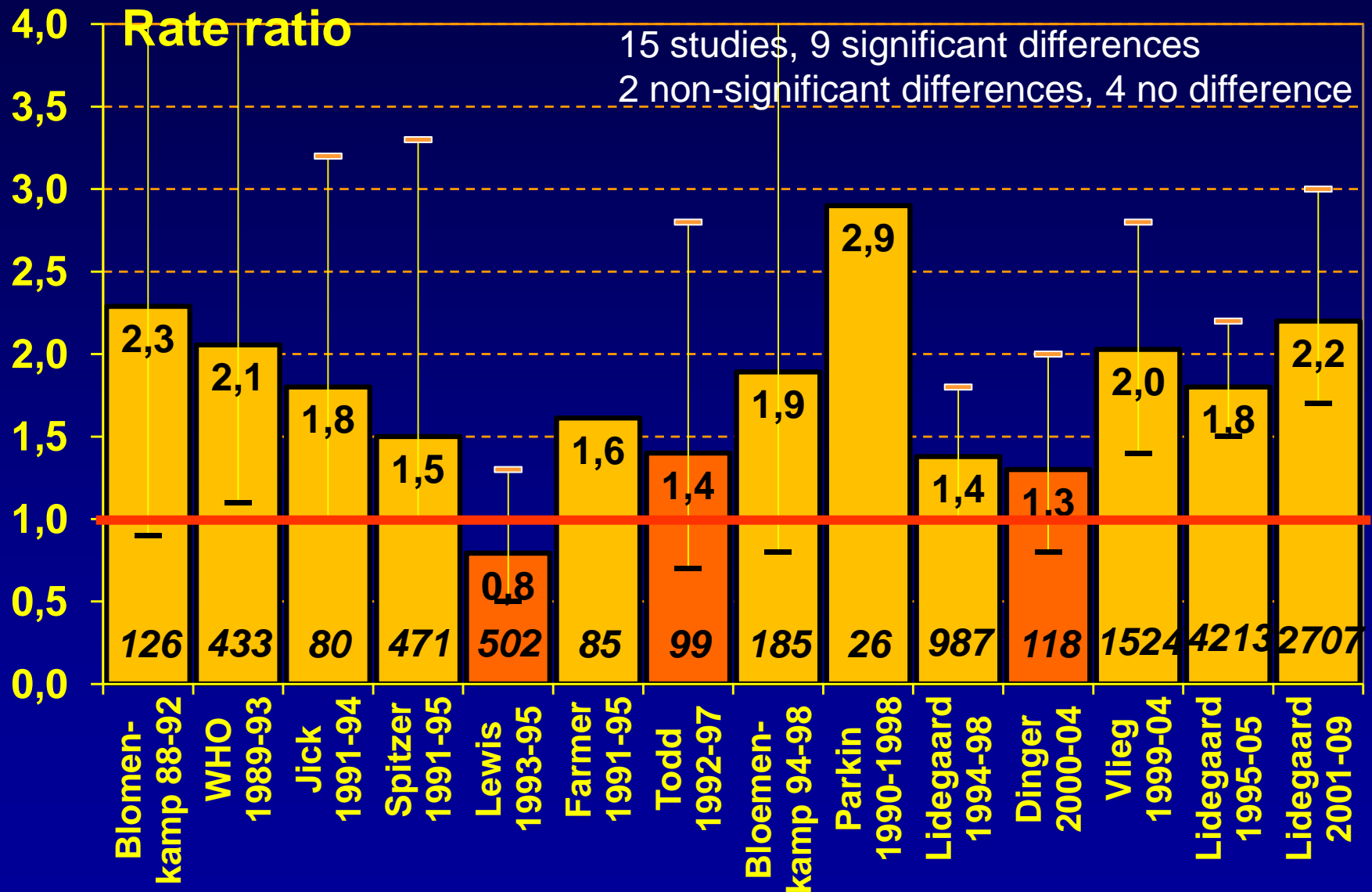
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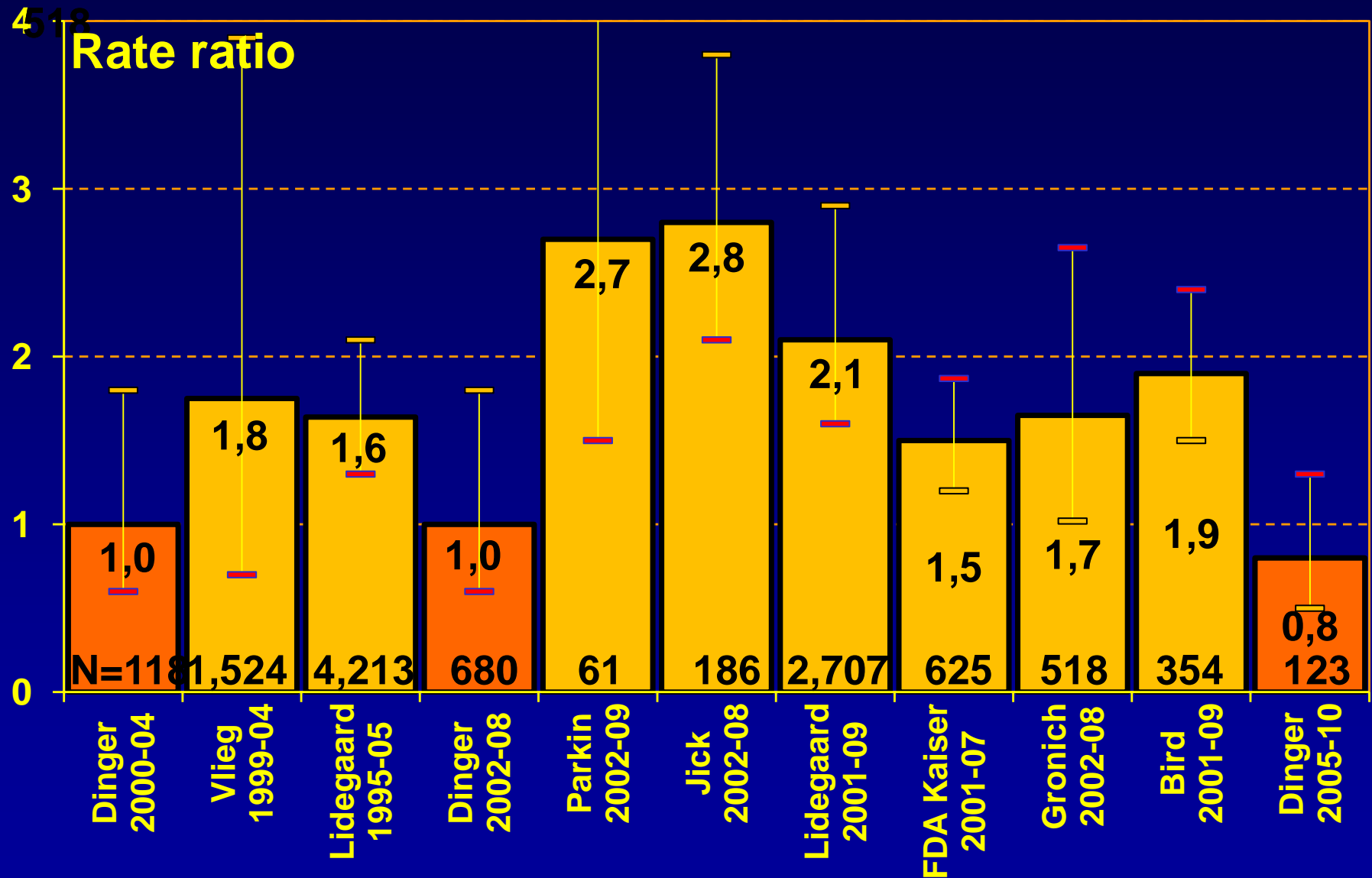
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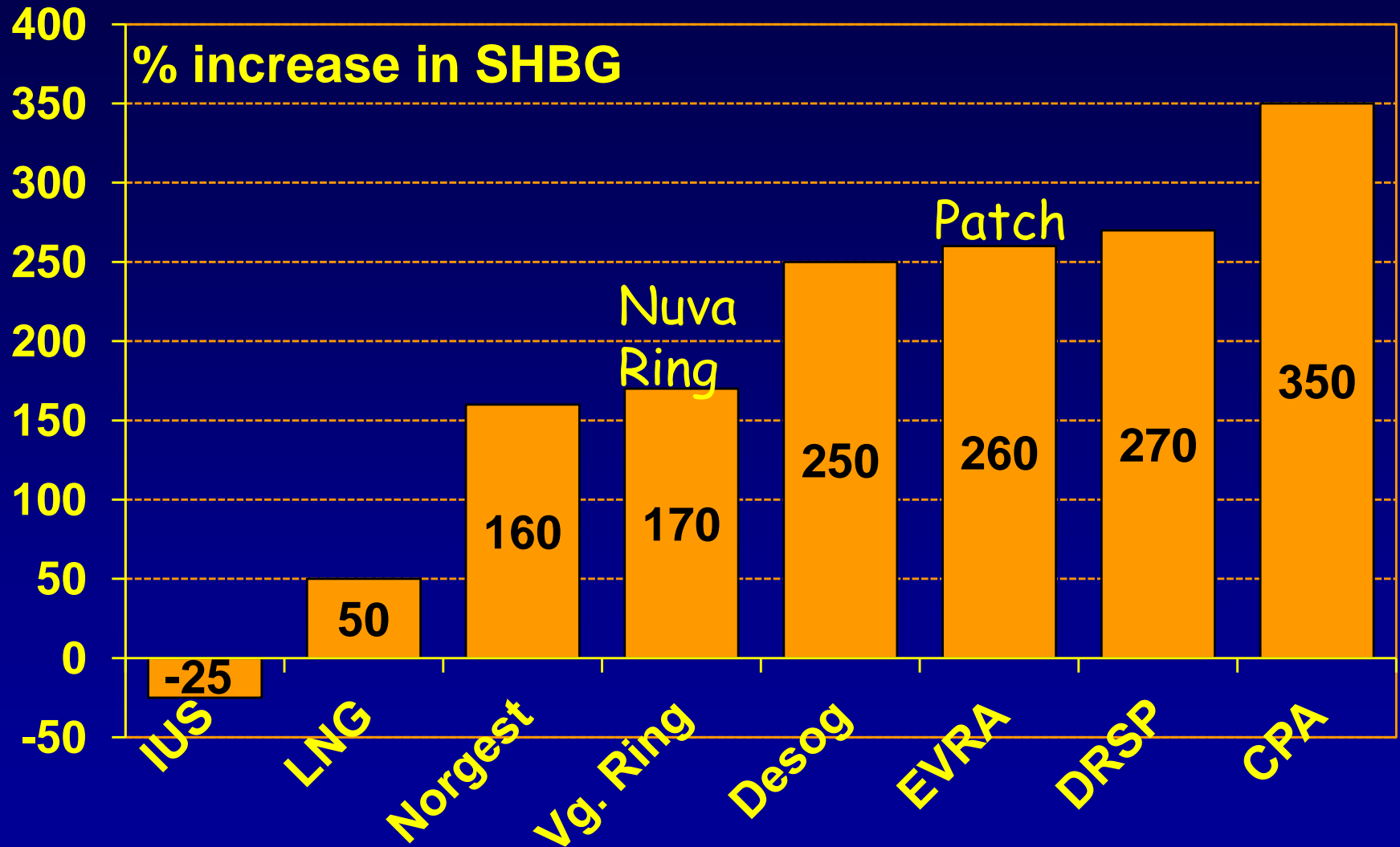


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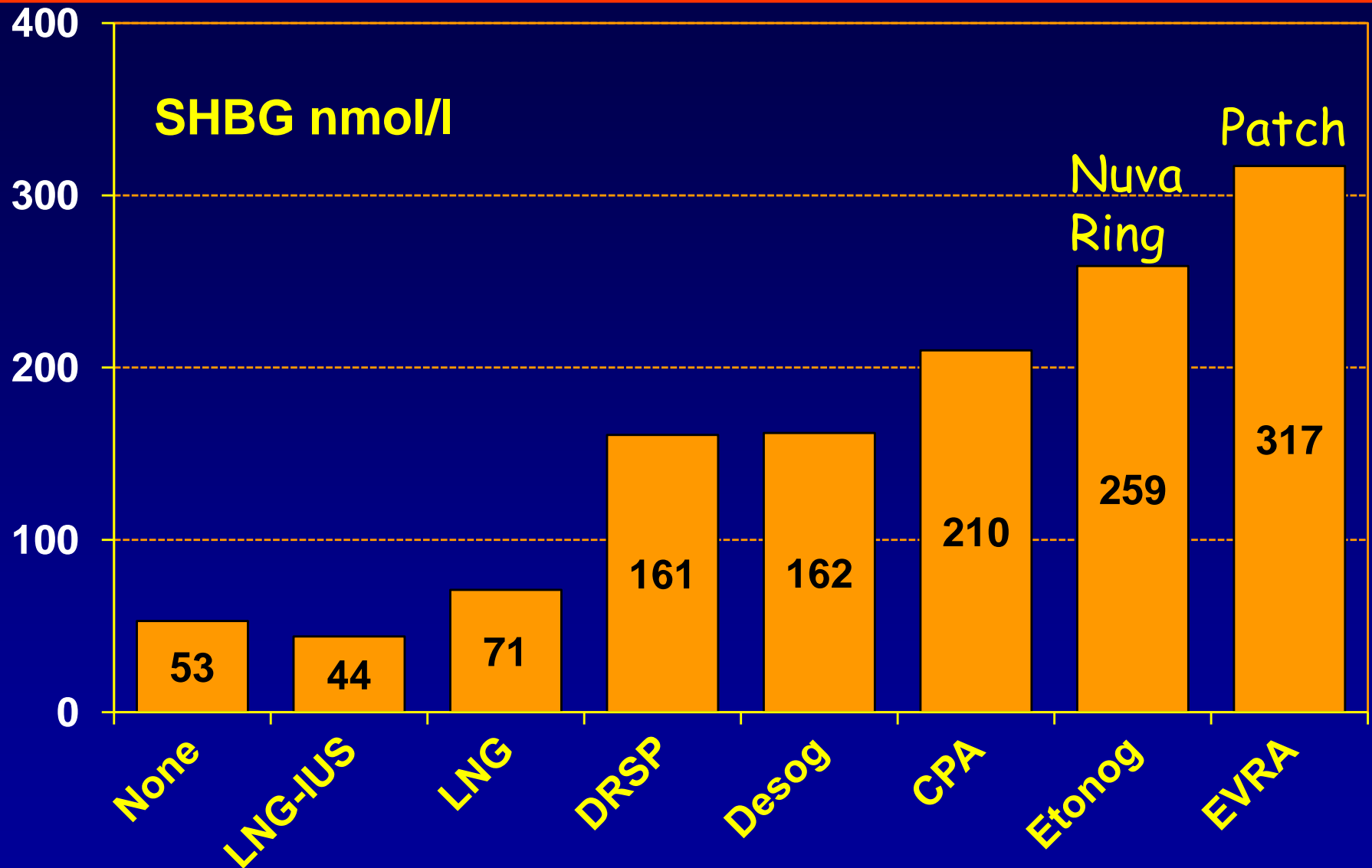
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Guardian, November 22, 2011

Hormonal contraception and SHBG



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OCs and venous thrombosis

Current status March 2014

POP:	1
LNG-IUS:	<1
2nd gen:	3
3rd gen:	6 (Vg. Ring)
4th gen:	6 (also low dose)
Patch	7

COC and VT: Conclusion

- COC increase the risk of VT 3-6 fold

The risk with COC use is influenced by

- The progestogen type ~100 %
- The oestrogen dose ~50 % => 20%
- The length of use ~50 %

**We need low-dose oral contraceptives
with 1st and 2nd generation progestogens
and low-dose pills with natural oestrogen**

HC and thrombotic stroke

Reference: Non-users

- All women in Denmark 15-49 years old during the period January 1995 through December 2009 (15 years)
 - Data from four National registries
 - Included: 1,626,158 women
14,251,063 women years
4,914,401 current use
3,311 thrombotic strokes
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Lidegaard et al. N Engl J Med 2012; 366: 2257-66

HC and thrombotic stroke

Reference: Non-users

ug EE	Neta	Lng	NGM	DSG	Gest	Drsp	CPA
50	1.3 0.7-2.5	2.3 1.6-3.2	3.2 0.8-12.6	2.5 1.4-4.4	Vg.Ring	na	na
30-40	2.2 1.5-3.2	1.7 1.4-1.9	1.5 1.2-1.9	2.2 1.8-2.7	1.8 1.6-2.0	1.6 1.2-2.2	1.4 1.0-2.0
20	na	na	na	1.5 1.3-1.9	1.7 1.4-2.1	0.9 0.2-3.5	na
POP	1.4 0.9-2.0			1.4 0.7-2.6	Cerazette		
Mirena		0.7 0.5-1.0		0.9 0.3-2.6	Implant		

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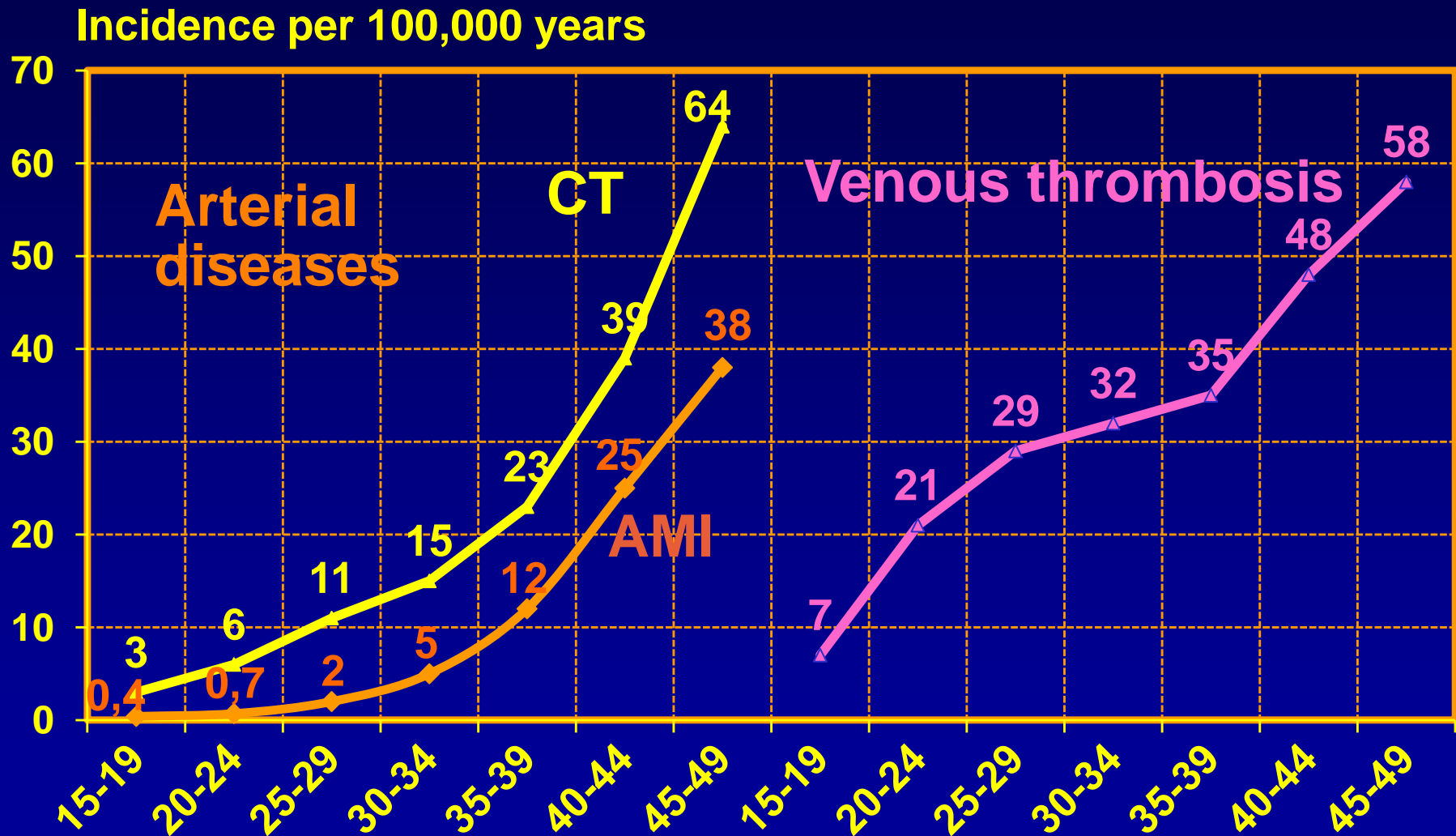
OCs and thrombosis

Current status March 2014

	VT	CT
POP:	1	1.4
LNG-IUS:	<1	1
2nd gen:	3	1.7
3rd gen:	6	1.8
4th gen:	6	1.6
Patch	7	3.2

CT, AMI and VT in DK 2001-2009*

Pregnant and puerperal women excluded



*Effekt
Bivirkninger × pris = Rationel
Farmakoterapi*

Hormonel kontraception og tromboemboliske aspekter

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Hormonel kontraception omfatter p-piller, p-plaster, vaginalring, hormonspiral, subkutan implantat samt intramuskulært gestagendepot, altså seks forskellige administrationsveje. Ud over at yde en effektiv kontracetiv effekt indebærer brugen af hormonal kontraception også en række nonkontraceptive gevinster, for eksempel blødningskontrol og bedring af akne, som har stor betydning for den udbredte brug af hormonal kontraception.

Den væsentligste bivirkning ved

Tromboemboliske komplikationer blandt yngre kvinder

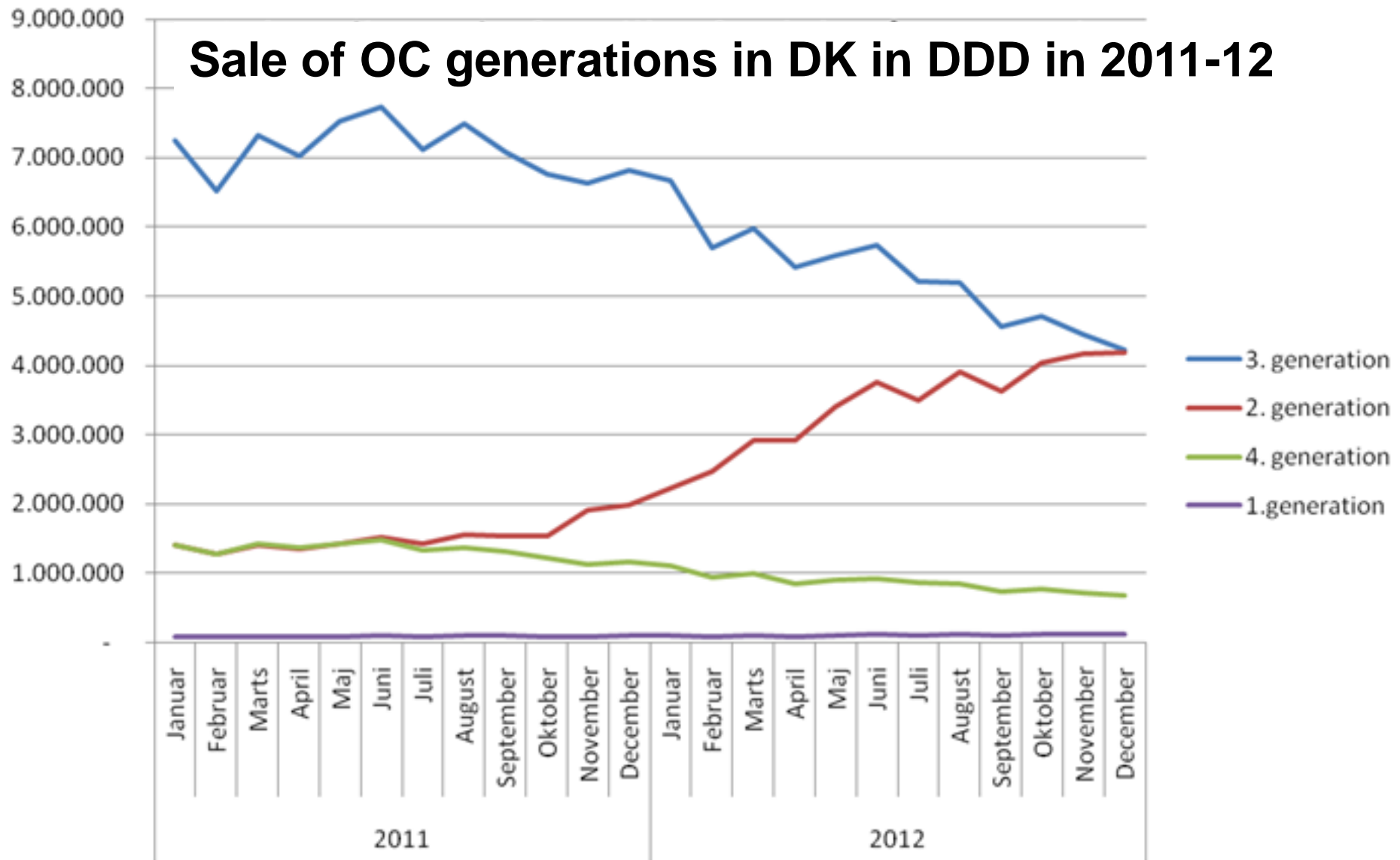
Venøs trombose

Blandt ikke-gravide kvinder under 30 år er den hyppigste tromboemboliske komplikation til hormonal kontraception den venøse trombose, som blandt kvinder, der ikke anvender hormonal kontraception, optræder med tilfælde pr. 10.000 kvinder pr. år. Blandt kvinder i alderen 30-49 år er baggrundsincidensen i gennemsnit dobbelt så høj eller fire pr. 10.000 kvinder pr. år.

kardieinfarkt (AMI) samt cerebral trombose og tromboemboli. Blandt ikke-gravide kvinder under 30 år forekommer der 0,6 arterielle tromboser pr. 10.000 pr. år, mens der blandt kvinder mellem 30 og 49 år i gennemsnit forekommer fem tilfælde pr. 10.000 kvinder pr. år. De vigtigste risikofaktorer for arteriel trombose er høj alder, rygning, hyperkolesterolemie, diabetes, hypertension og migræne, især migræne med aura.

Hormonel kontraception

Sale of OC generations in DK in DDD in 2011-12



<http://laegemiddelstyrelsen.dk/da/topics/bivirkninger-og-forsoeg/bivirkninger/nyheder/laeger-foelger-anbefalinger-for-brugen-af-p-piller>

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IMAP Short Statement on the Safety of Third and Fourth Generation Oral Contraceptives

Based on the analysis conducted by the United States Food and Drugs Administration (FDA) (2013) and the recommendations contained on the publications "Family Planning: a Global Handbook for Providers" by WHO (2011) and Medical Eligibility Criteria (WHO, 2010),¹ IMAP Members provide guidance to IPPF's Member Associations on the safety of third and fourth generation oral contraceptives. This statement is developed in response to recent public alarm in European countries, where women sued manufacturers for potential fatal blood clots (Venous Thromboembolism) as a result of using Meliane (Gestodene-containing oral contraceptive pill). The conclusions presented below do not apply to implants, IUS or other products containing the active components in third and fourth generation oral contraceptives.

What are third and fourth generation

What is Venous Thromboembolism

The term venous thromboembolism (VTE) refers to both deep vein thrombosis (DVT) – a blood clot in one of the deep veins of the body; and pulmonary embolism – a blood clot that travels through the bloodstream and lodges in one of the lungs.

Evidence on third and fourth generation pills

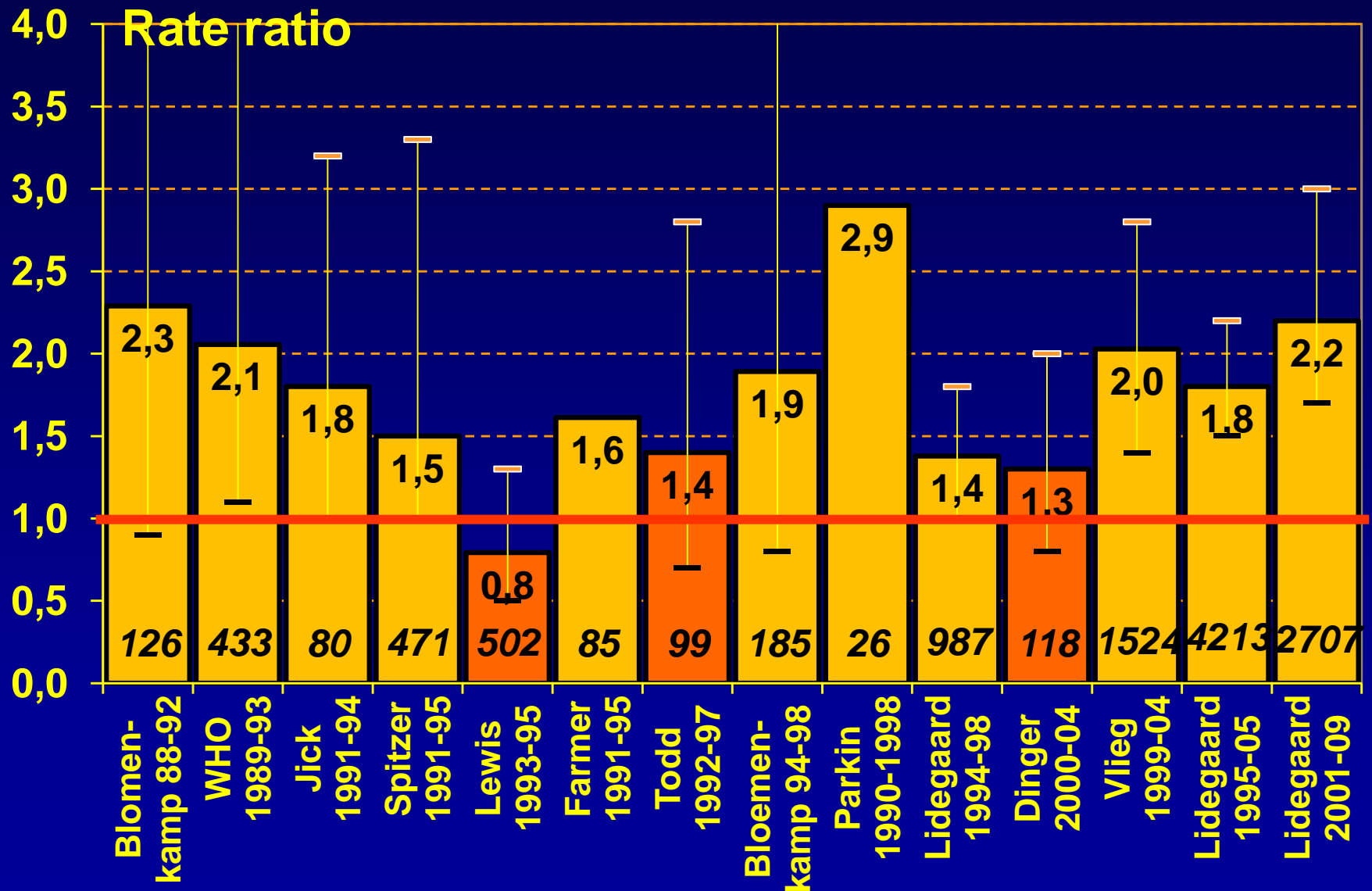
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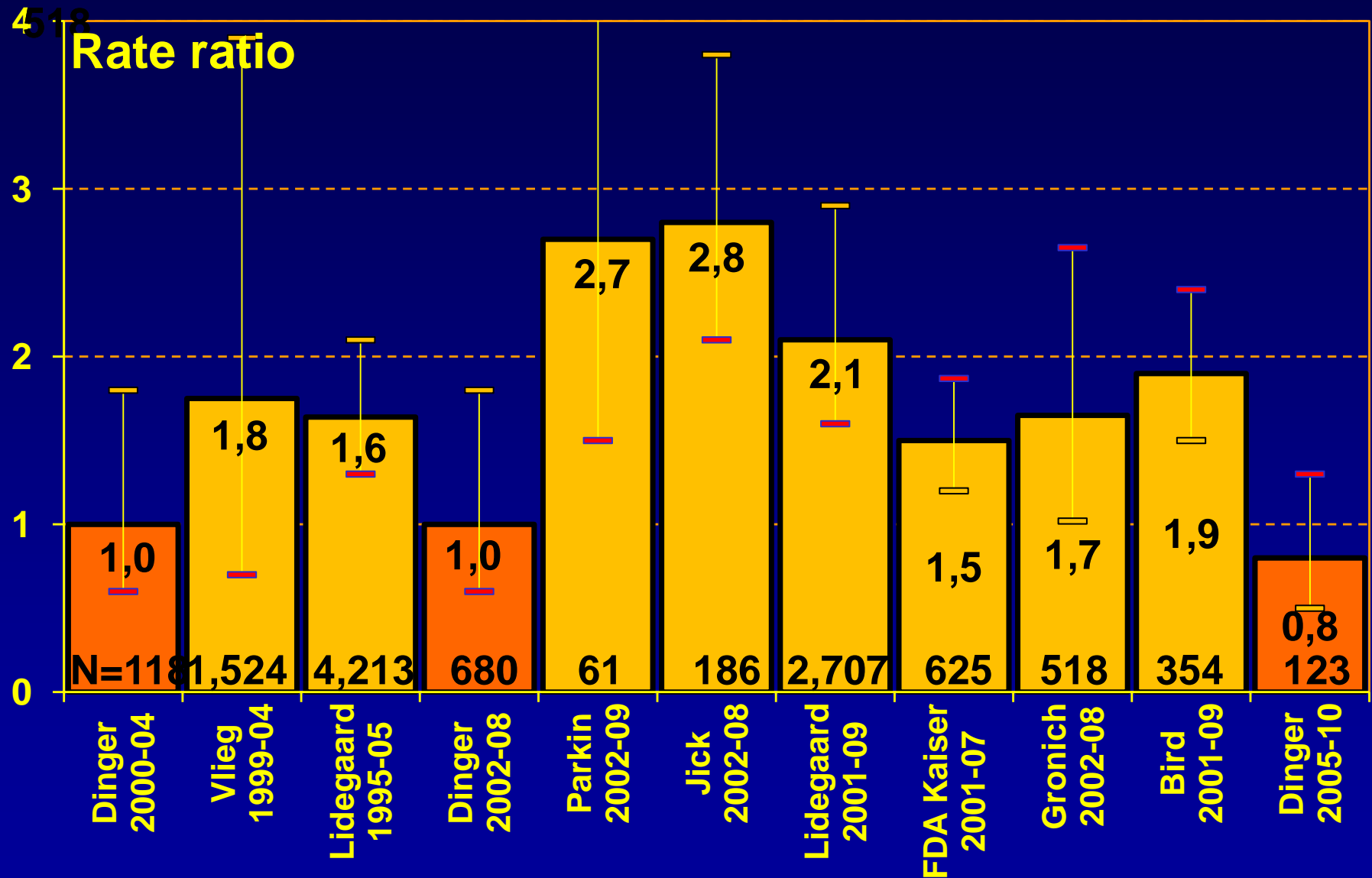
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3rd versus 2nd generation COC



COC with DRSP vs LNG



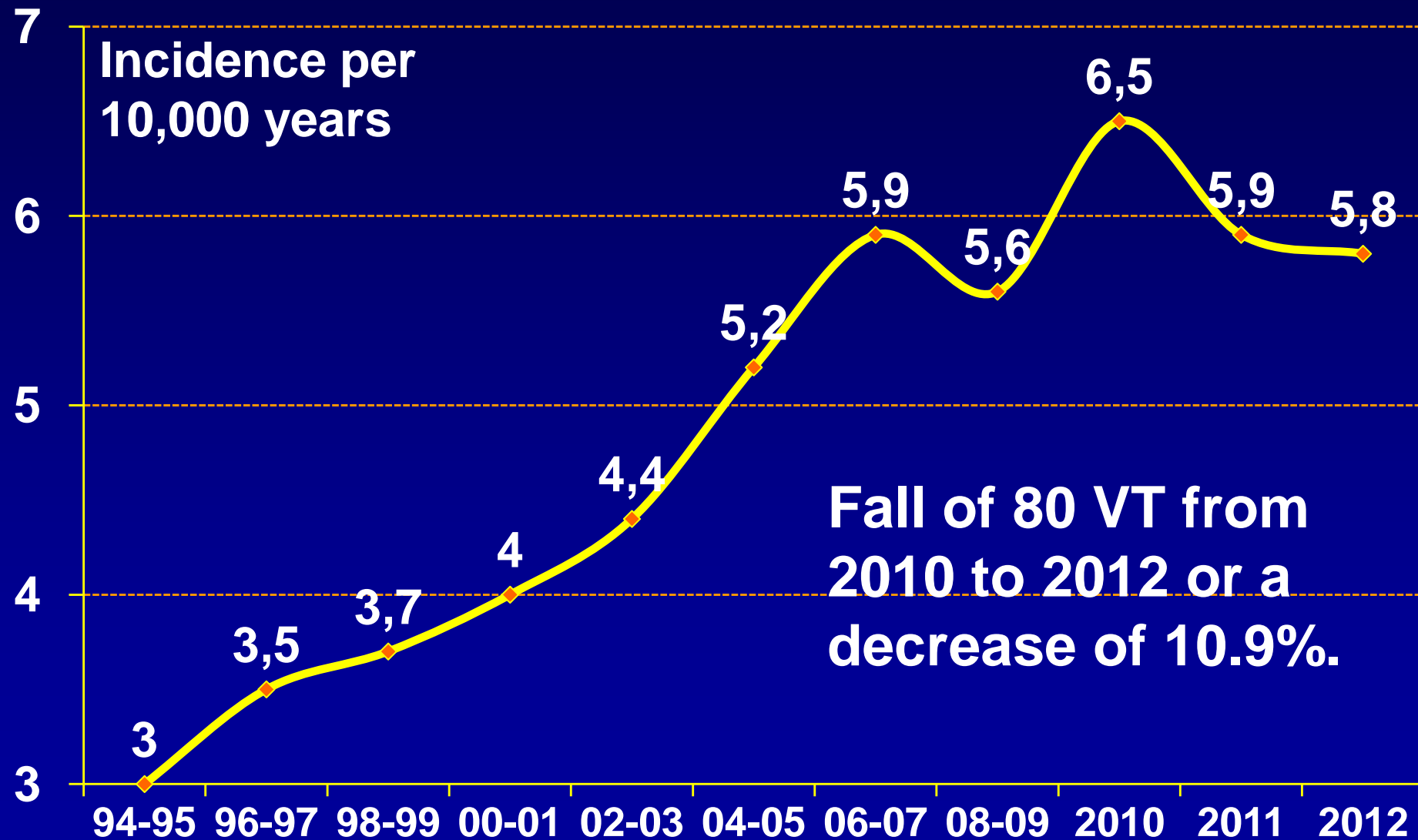
Basic question

Is there a differential risk of VT with use of hormonal contraceptives with different progestogens?

If no: You should expect no change in the occurrence of VT when women shift from 3rd/4th generation pills to 2nd generation.

If yes: You should expect a 50% fall in VT in non-pregnant women shifting from the newer products to 2nd gen. pills

Venous thrombosis in DK 1994-2012 in non-pregnant women 15-44 years old



Hormonal contraception - age

Young women (<35 years)

1 st choice	Lowest dose 2 nd generation OC
2 nd choice	LNG-IUS (fx Jaydess)
3 rd choice	3 rd or 4 th generation OC

Women from 35 years or women at risk

1 st choice	LNG-IUS
2 nd choice	Lowest dose 2 nd generation OC
3 rd choice	Non hormonal contraception

Dinger - again

1st world congress in Contraception

Copenhagen, Friday, May 24, 2013

16.30-18.00 (one of four parallel sessions)

(Auditorium 12)

16:30 - 18:00 Congress Session 17: Venous thromboembolism and contraception
– myths and facts

Chairs: Thomas Rabe, (Germany) & Jørgen Jespersen, (Denmark)

16:30 - 16:55 Mechanisms of haemostasis in healthy women and women at risk of VT
Beate Luxembourg, (Germany)

16:55 - 17:20 Summary of relevant epidemiological studies on VTE and contraception
Jeffrey T Jensen, (USA)

17:20 - 17:45 Methodological limitations of studies on VTE and contraception
Jürgen Dinger, (Germany)

Hormonal contraception and venous thrombosis

- George Monbiot, Guardian, March 2010

"In fighting for science, we subscribe to a comforting illusion: That people can be swayed by the facts"



<http://www.monbiot.com/2010/03/08/the-unpersuadables/>

Hormonal contraception and venous thrombosis

Thanks for your attention

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