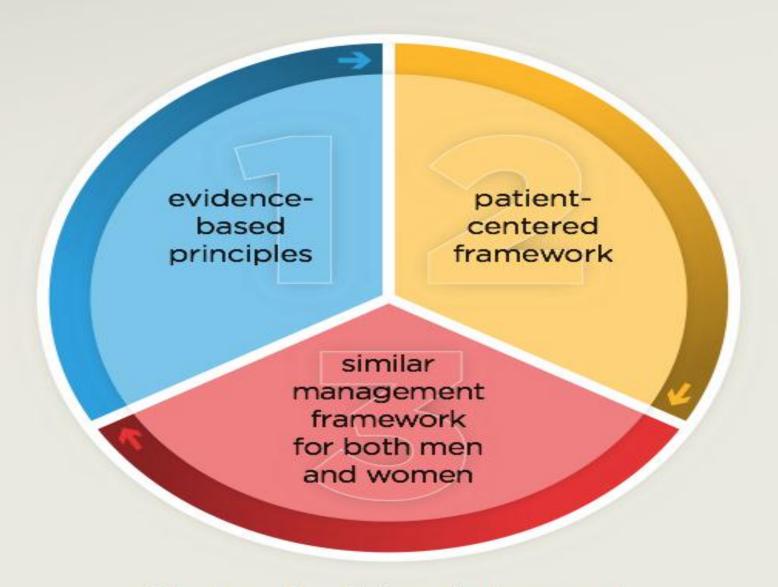


# Γνωρίζετε καλά τα φάρμακα της στύσης;

Ενα τεστ ερωτήσεων για ειδικούς

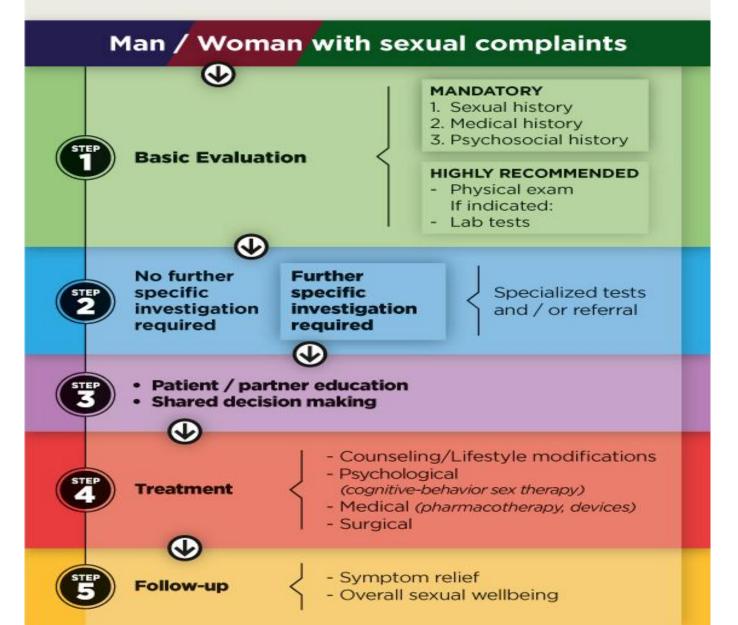
Δημήτρης Χατζηχρήστου

## **Principles of Sexual Medicine**



A balanced and integrated approach to clinical evaluation and treatment of sexual dysfunctions

The ICSM-5R (5 steps-revised)
Algorithm for the Management of
Sexual Dysfunctions in Men and Women.



## Summary and Recommendations: Specialized Diagnostic Tests for Erectile Dysfunction

Five diagnostic tests are recommended (grade B):

- Color Duplex Doppler Penile Ultrasonography (CDDPU)
- 2. Intracavernous Injection Pharmacotesting (ICI)
- 3. Dynamic Infusion Cavernosometry Cavernosography (DICC)
- 4. Nocturnal Penile Tumescence and Rigidity (NPTR)
- 5. Selective Internal Pudendal Arteriography (SIPA)

## ΘΕΡΑΠΕΙΕΣ

## ΣΤΥΤΙΚΗΣ ΔΥΣΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΑΣ

Τα κάτω...πάνω!

#### ΤΑ ΦΑΡΜΑΚΑ ΤΗΣ ΣΤΥΣΗΣ



Κανένα φυτικό σκεύασμα ή συμπλήρωμα διατροφής δεν έχει αποδείξει ότι βοηθά τη στύαη!



Όλα τα αποτελε- σματικά φάρμακα χορηγούνται με ιατρική συντανή.



Η μόνη ένδειξη είναι στυτική δυσλειτουργία οργανικής και ψυχογενούς αιτιολογίας, Στη 2η περίπτωση συνδυάζεται με θεραπεία από σεξολόγο



Κανένα από αυτά δεν είναι αφροδισιακό, δηλαδή δεν επηρεάζει την ερωτική διάθεση/ επιθυμία



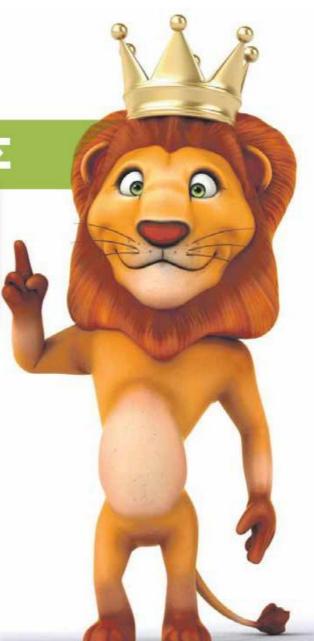
ΟΥΡΟΛΟΓΙΚΩΝ ΠΑΘΗΣΕΩΝ

Όλα τα φάρμακα προκαλούν αγγειο- διαστολή και αύξηση της αιμάτωσης του πέους



KALANABAPAFORIKHE

Χωρίζονται σε 2 κατηγορίες: σε χάπια και ενέσεις



## ΤΑ ΦΑΡΜΑΚΑ ΑΠΟ ΤΟ ΣΤΟΜΑ

#### ΔΙΑΤΙΘΈΝΤΑΙ ΣΤΗΝ **ΕΛΛΑΔΑ**

(όλα είναι σε μορφή δισκίου για λήψη από το στόμα) ΑΒΑΝΑΦΙΛΗ ΒΑΡΔΕΝΑΦΙΛΗ ΣΙΛΔΕΝΑΦΙΛΗ ΤΑΔΑΛΑΦΙΛΗ

κυκλοφορεί και σε μορφή διαλυόμενου, στο στόμα, δισκίου 10mg

κυκλοφορεί και σε 5mg δόση για καθημερινή λήψη ανεξάρτητα από την επαφή

Η ΜΟΡΦΗ ΑΥΤΗ ΕΧΕΙ 2 ΕΝΔΕΙΞΕΙΣ





άντρες με συχνές ερωτικές επαφές

μεγαλύτεροι άντρες που πάσχουν και από καλοήθη υπερπλασία προστάτη (η συχνότερη αιτία για προβλήματα ούρησης μετά τα 50 έτη).

#### ΑΠΟΤΕΛΕΣΜΑΤΙΚΟΤΗΤΑ

ενώ ΜΕΙΩΝΕΤΑΙ σε 50% σε άντρες με σοβαρό οργανικό πρόβλημα (σακχαρώδης διαβήτης,

μετά ριζική προστατεκτομή)

σε 50%

σε άντρες με σοβαρό οργανικό πρόβλημα (σακχαρώδης διαβήτης, νευρολογικές παθήσεις, ΜΥΑΛΓΙΑ

ΑΠΟΛΥΤΗ ΑΝΤΕΝΔΕΙΞΗ

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#### ΠΩΣ ΕΠΗΡΕΑΖΕΙ Η ΤΡΟΦΗ...

Η τροφή καθυστερεί την απορρόφηση, άρα και την δράση στα δισκία για λήψη από το στόμα, εκτός της ταδαλαφίλης. Τα δισκία που διαλύονται στο στόμα





Η κοινωνική χρήση **αλκοόλ ΔΕΝ ΕΠΗΡΕΑΖΕΙ** τη δράση τους

## ΧΑΡΑΚΤΗΡΙΣΤΙΚΑ ΤΩΝ ΦΑΡΜΑΚΩΝ ΤΗΣ ΣΤΥΣΗΣ

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|--|-----------------------|--|---|------------------|-------------------|
| ΤΡΟΠΟΣ ΛΗΨΗΣ   | Από το στόμα          | Από το στόμα<br>ή διαλυόμενα<br>δίσκια στο στόμα | Από το στόμα                                | Από το<br>στόμα  | Ενεση στο πέος    |
| ΔΟΣΟΛΟΓΙΑ  | mg<br>100 & 200       | 10 &20   | 25 50 100                                   | mg<br>5 10 20    | μg<br>20          |
| ΜΕΓΙΣΤΗ συνήθης<br><b>χορηγούμενη δόση</b><br><b>ημερησίως</b> (σε mg) | mg 200                | mg<br>20   | mg 100                                      | <sup>mg</sup> 20 | µа 40 €           |
| Συνήθης χρόνος<br>από λήψη <b>μέχρι</b><br><b>να δράσει</b> (σε ώρες)  | ώρες περίπου          | ώρες ερίπου                                      | ώρες  | ώρες 👌 1-2       | ώρες 0,2          |
| Συνήθης <b>διάρκεια δράσης</b> από λήψη (σε ώρες)                      | <b>        &gt;</b> 6 | <b>                                    </b>      | <b>                                    </b> | έως 36           | <b>ΙΙ</b> 1 έως 2 |
| Χρειάζεται <b>σεξου-</b> αλικός ερεθισμός;                             | NAI                   | NAI  | NAI   | NAI              | OXI               |

## **ASK AN EXPERT**



# Οι ερωτήσεις

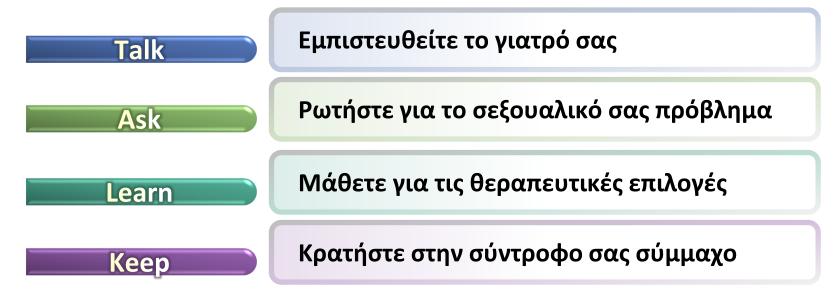
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Γιατί μόνο 1 στους 10 ασθενείς με πρόβλημα στύσης μιλάνε σε γιατρό για το πρόβλημα;

## Το πρόβλημα της περιορισμένης αναζήτησης θεραπείας για ΣΔ

- Πολλοί ασθενείς δεν αισθάνονται άνετα να αναζητήσουν θεραπεία
- Η ΣΔ δεν σχετίζεται πάντα με αυξημένη δυσαρέσκεια του ασθενή\*
- Μήνυμα προς το ασθενή (TALK)



J Sex Med. 2006 Jan;3(1):47-55.

## Educating physicians to treat erectile dysfunction patients: development and evaluation of a course on communication and management strategies.

Athanasiadis L<sup>1</sup>, Papaharitou S, Salpiggidis G, Tsimtsiou Z, Nakopoulou E, Kirana PS, Moisidis K, Hatzichristou D.

#### Author information

#### Abstract

**PURPOSE:** To describe the development and assess the outcome of a workshop on erectile dysfunction (ED) management based on participating physicians evaluations.

**METHOD:** The study involved physicians who attended a workshop offered throughout the country, during a 3-year period. The workshop included tutorials, video-based dramatizations, and role-play sessions. A pilot study investigated the workshop's impact on physicians' attitudes toward patient-centeredness and sexual behavior issues; Patient-Practitioner Orientation Scale (PPOS) and Cross Cultural Attitude Scale (CCAS) were administered before and after the course. New knowledge acquisition, quality of presentation, and workshop's usefulness in their clinical practice were the dimensions used for workshop's evaluation. Analysis used quantitative and qualitative methods.

**RESULTS:** A total of 194 questionnaires were administered during the pilot study and the response rate was 53.6%. A shift in attitudes toward patient-centeredness and less judgmental attitude toward patients' sexual attitudes were revealed (total PPOS score and Sharing subscale: P < 0.05, CCAS: P < 0.001). Six hundred physicians were asked to evaluate the workshops and the response rate was 62.3%. The tutorial session for "medical treatment of ED" (P < 0.001) and the role-play on sexual history taking (P < 0.05) received higher evaluation scores. Qualitative analysis showed that the most frequently reported category referred to the appropriateness of role-play as a teaching and awareness-raising technique (31.25%); a need for changes in clinical practice and communication patterns was identified by 20% of the participants who stressed the necessity for multidisciplinary approach, as well as the adoption of a nonjudgmental attitude toward patients.

**CONCLUSION:** Training courses on ED management, using a combination of tutorial and interactive sessions, constitute an effective way of providing knowledge, enhancing physicians' communication skills with ED patients, and influencing attitudes toward patient-centeredness in sexual issues. Such results strongly support the establishment of sexual medicine courses at continuing medical education curricula.

## Συζητώντας στο ιατρείο για την Στυτική Δυσλειτουργία

- Τα σεξουαλικά προβλήματα υγείας συχνά παραμελούνται στην κλινική πράξη
- Οι ασθενείς αισθάνονται αμηχανία και ότι οι γιατροί δεν έχουν την ειδίκευση για να διαχειριστούν το πρόβλημα τους
- Οι γιατροί διστάζουν να ρωτήσουν, έχουν περιορισμένο χρόνο και έτσι αυξάνεται το χάσμα μεταξύ σεξουαλικής ιατρικής και κλινικών δεξιοτήτων.

#### Προϋποθέσεις που πρέπει να δημιουργήσει ο γιατρός:

- Δημιουργείστε μια ατμόσφαιρα ασφάλειας και σεβασμού
- Η συζήτηση να είναι πολιτισμένη
- Σεβαστείτε τις σεξουαλικές προτιμήσεις του κάθε ατόμου
- Παρουσιάστε τεκμηριωμένα τις θεραπευτικές επιλογές
- Οργανώστε μια στενή παρακολούθηση

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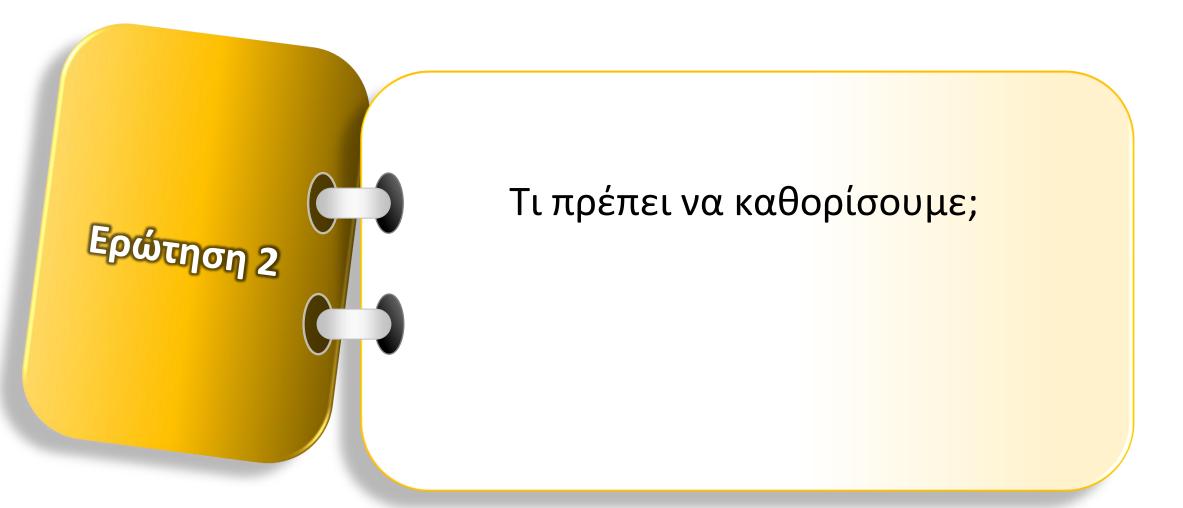
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## Καθορισμός σοβαρότητας της Στυτικής Δυσλειτουργίας

#### Δύο βασικές ερωτήσεις:

- Είστε σε θέση να επιτύχετε μια στύση σκληρή ώστε να επιτευχθεί η διείσδυση;
- Είστε σε θέση να διατηρήσετε την στύση αυτή μέχρι της εκσπερμάτιση;

#### Βαρύτητα

- Ήπια: Υπάρχουν σεξουαλικές επαφές πάνω από τις μισές φορές, αδυναμία επίτευξης πολύ σκληρής στύσης
- Μέτρια: Ανεπαρκή σκληρότητα και/ή διατήρηση, διείσδυση με βοήθεια κάποιες φορές.
- **Σοβαρή:** Δεν είναι δυνατή η σεξουαλική επαφή λόγω της ποιότητας των στύσεων



#### Ψυχογενής

Απουσία οργανικού προβλήματος



#### Οργανική

Παρουσία οργανικού αίτιου, απουσία σημαντικής γνωστικής ή/και συναισθηματικής επιβάρυνσης / ενόχλησης



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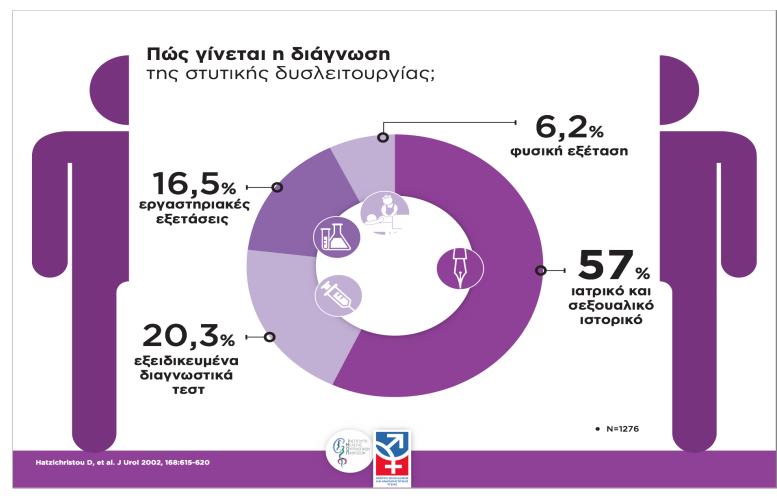


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#### Diagnostic Steps In The Evaluation Of Patients With Erectile Dysfunction

Dimitrios Hatzichristou, Konstantinos Hatzimouratidis, Michael Bekas, Apostolos Apostolidis, Vasilios

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#### Αγγειακές εξετάσεις

| Ay yeldkes eseldoels                       |       |
|--|-------|
| Triplex αγγείων πέους                      | 2B    |
| Δυναμική φαρμακοσηραγγομετρία              |       |
| / σηραγγογραφία —                          | 2B    |
| Δοκιμασία ενδοσηραγγώδους ένεσης           | 2B    |
| Απεικονιστικές εξετάσεις                   |       |
| Εκλεκτική αγγειογραφία                     |       |
| έσω αιδοιικών αρτηριών                     | 2C    |
| Σεξουαλικός ερεθισμός με οπτικοακουστικό υ | ιλικό |
| Για εκτέλεση αγγειακών εξετάσεων           | 3C    |
| Με χρήση ενδοσηραγγωδών ενέσεων            | 3C    |
| Αξιολόγηση σκληρότητας στύσης              |       |
| Καταγραφή νυκτερινών στύσεων (Rigiscan)    | 2B    |
| Νευροφυσιολογικές δοκιμασίες               |       |
| Βολβοσηραγγώδες αντανακλαστικό             | 2B    |
| Βιοθεσιομετρία                             | 3C    |
| Προκλητά δυναμικά ραχιαίου νεύρου πέους _  | 3C    |
| Ηλεκτρομυογραφία σηραγγωδών σωμάτων        | 3C    |
|  |       |







## Η δύσκολη πρώτη επίσκεψη

- 1. Προσδιορίστε το σεξουαλικό πρόβλημα
- 2. Διάρκεια και σοβαρότητα της ΣΔ
- 3. Συνύπαρξη άλλων σεξουαλικών προβλημάτων
- 4. Καθορισμός της ποιότητας της στύσης
- 5. Κλινική εξέταση
- 6. Εργαστηριακός έλεγχος
- 7. Αξιολόγηση αποτελεσμάτων / Εκπαίδευση

## ΕΡΩΤΗΣΕΙΣ



Γνωρίζετε την φαρμακολογία των PDE5i;

## ΦΑΡΜΑΚΟΛΟΓΙΚΑ ΧΑΡΑΚΤΗΡΙΣΤΙΚΑ ΑΝΑΣΤΟΛΕΩΝ PDE5

| ПАРАМЕТРОІ             | <b>ΣΙΛΔΕΝΑΦΙΛΗ</b> 100 mg | <b>ΤΑΔΑΛΑΦΙΛΗ</b><br>200 mg | <b>BAPΔENAΦIΛH</b> 20 mg | <b>ΑΦΑΝΑΦΙΛΗ</b> 200 mg | OYNTENAΦIΛΗ<br>200 mg |
|------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Cmax                   | 560 μg/L                  | 378 μg/L                    | 18.7 µg/L                | 2920 μg/L               | 1139 µg/L             |
| Tmax                   | 0.8-1 h                   | 2 h                         | 0.9 h                    | 45 min                  | 1 h                   |
| T1/2                   | 2.6-3.7 h                 | 17.5 h                      | 3.9 h                    | 5.1 h                   | 11 – 13 h             |
| AUC                    | 1685 µg.h/L               | 8066 µg.h/L                 | 56.8 µg.h/L              | 8490 μg.h/L             | 7898 µg.h/L           |
| Πρωτεϊνική<br>δέσμευση | 96%                       | 94%                         | 94%                      | 99%                     | 94%                   |
| Βιοδια-<br>θεσιμότητα  | 41%                       | NA                          | 15%                      | NA                      | NA                    |



#### Έναρξη της δράσης

Παρόλο που κάποιοι ασθενείς θα ανταποκριθούν σε 15', χρειάζονται 30' για να ανταποκριθεί το 50% των ασθενών.

#### Διάρκεια της δράσης

- Σιλδεναφίλη και βαρδεναφίλη: 6-12 h
- Αβαναφίλη: >6 h
- Ταδαναφίλη: έως 36 h

### Τρόφιμα και αλκοόλ: αλληλεπιδράσεις

Σιλδεναφίλη και βαρδεναφίλη: Καθυστέρηση της Τ και μείωση Cmax Ταδαναφίλη,αβαναφίλη, βαρδεναφίλη ODT: Δεν επηρεάζεται

## Αποτελεσματικότητα την PDE5i

- Είναι ιδιαίτερα αποτελεσματικά φάρμακα (περίπου 75% των χρηστών απαντούν **ναι στο SEP3**)
- Η αποτελεσματικότητα είναι δοσοεξαρτώμενη
- Οι ασθενείς με μακροχρόνιο σακχαρώδη διαβήτη, μετά από ριζική και με νευρολογικές νόσου αποτελούν ειδικές κατηγορίες

#### Κατ' επίκληση ή καθημερινή λήψη;

- Η καθημερινή λήψη φαίνεται να έχει καλύτερα αποτελέσματα για επιτυχή συνουσία σε σύγκριση με την κατ' επίκληση λήψη ταδαναφίλης
- Η ημερήσια δοσολογία είναι καλά ανεκτή
- Σε ζευγάρια με συχνές σεξουαλικές επαφές που επιθυμούν αυθορμητισμό
  - McMahon C (2005) Comparison of efficacy, safety and tolerability of on--demand tadalafilb and daily dosed tadalafil for the treatment of erectile dysfunction. J Sex Med
  - Rajfer J, Aliotta PJ, Steidle CP et al. (2007) Tadalafil dosed once a day in men with erectile dysfunction: a randomized, double--blind, placebo--controlled study in the US. Int J Impot Res

## Τα φάρμακα για τη στύση: τελευταία νέα









## Tadalafil 5mg: το τέλος των αμφισβητήσεων

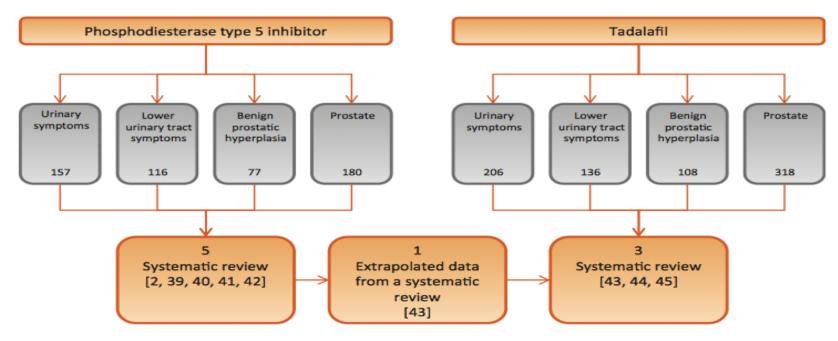
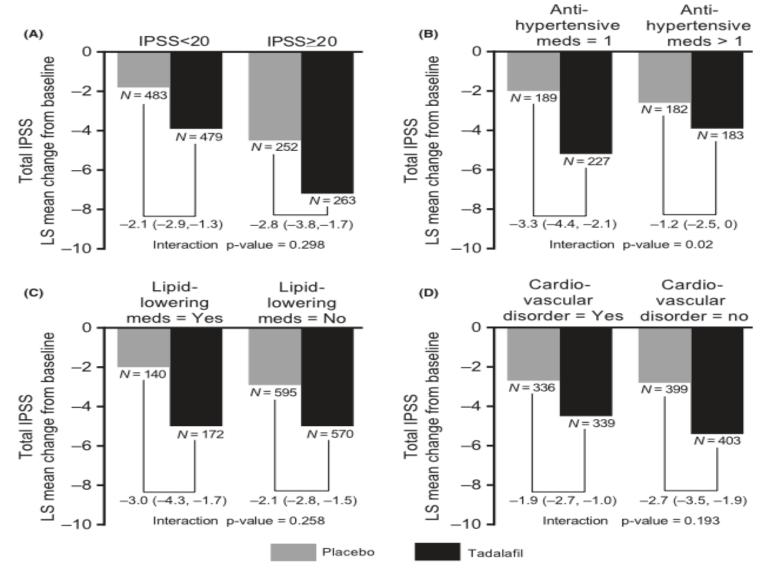


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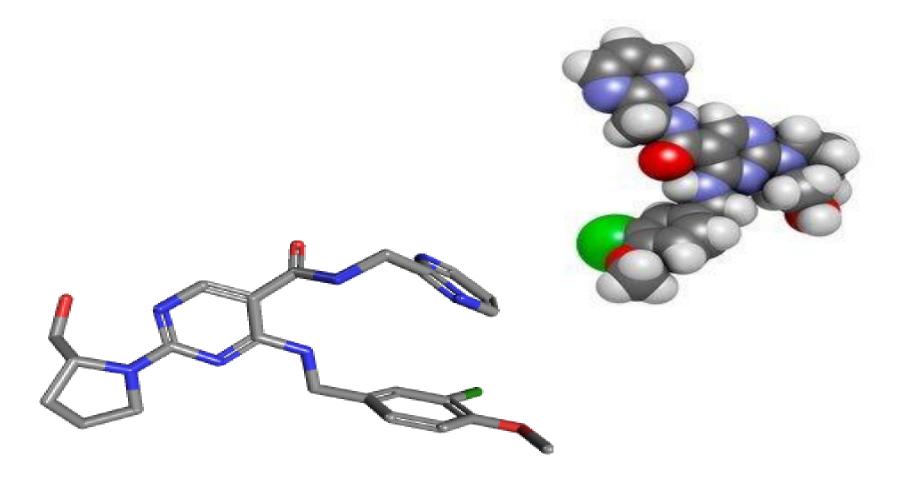
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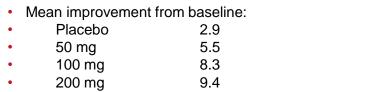
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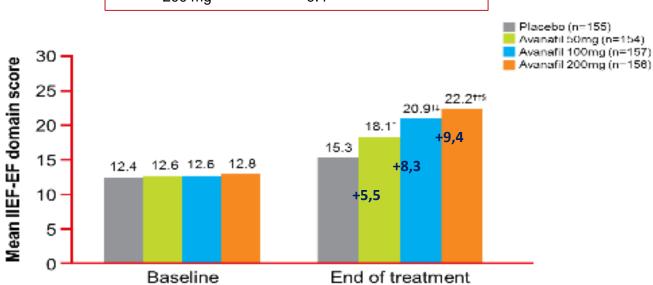




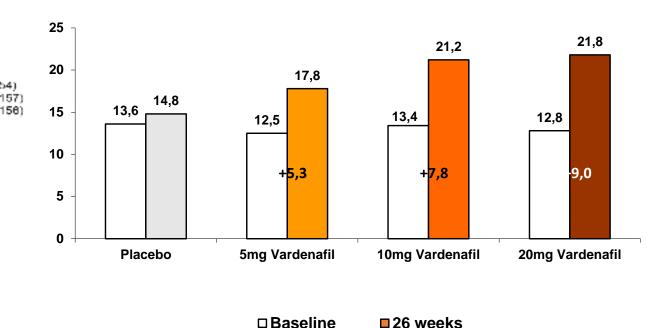
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General population of men with ED





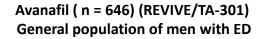
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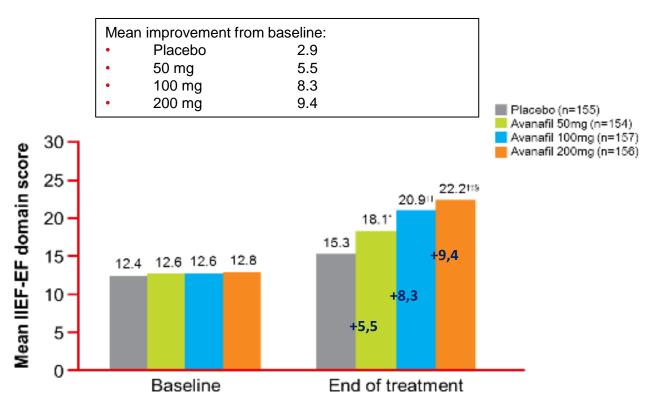


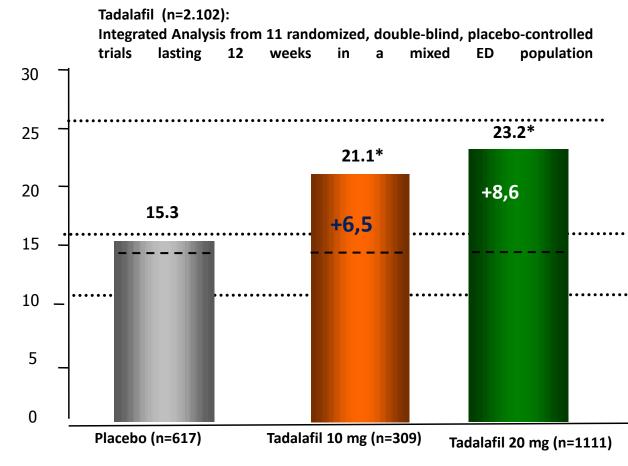
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## Τι λέει η φαρμακολογία;

**Faster** 

Unique pharmacokinetic profile

**Good tolerability profile** 

Table 2. Pharmacokinetics of the different PDE5 inhibitors.[16,17]

|   | Avanafil   | Sildenafil                         | Vardenafil                       | Tadalafil            |
|---|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| Austishla dasas (mai  | Park and Control of the Control of t | 0127227222                         |                                  |                      |
| Available doses (mg)  | 50,100, 200  | 25, 50, 100                        | 5, 10, 20                        | 10, 20               |
| Pharmacokinetic proprieties   |  | ***                                | 92.03                            |                      |
| Oral bioavailability  | 7. 10  | 40%                                | 15%                              | 36%                  |
| t <sub>max.</sub> minutes   | 30-45  | 30-120                             | 30-120                           | =                    |
| C <sub>max</sub> , ng/ml (fasting)  | 871 (100 mg)   | 327                                | 20.9 (20 mg)                     | 378 (20 mg)          |
| Food effect (high-fat<br>meal)  | t <sub>max</sub> , increased 1.25 h  | t <sub>max</sub> , increased 1 h   | t <sub>max</sub> , increased 1 h | No significan        |
| t 1/2 (hours)   | 6-17   | 3-5                                | 4                                | 17.5                 |
| Renal excretion %   | 21   | <1                                 | 1                                | < 0.3                |
| CYP isoenzymes  | 3A4 and minor contribution of  | 3A4 (79%), 2C9 (20%), 2C19 and 2D6 | 3A4 (major) 3A5 and 2C9          | 3A4                  |
|   | 2C9  | (<2%)                              | (minor)                          |                      |
| Effect on exposure/clearance,   |  | 8.47.431                           | 50000000                         |                      |
| Age   | None   | Reduced clearance                  | Reduced clearance                | Reduced<br>clearance |
| Mild renal impairment   | None   | None                               | None                             | Increased            |
| AND THE RESERVE OF THE PERSON |  |                                    |                                  | exposure             |
| Moderate renal  | None   | None                               | None                             | Increased            |
| impairment  | Trenta :   | 110110                             | 110000                           | exposure             |
| Severe renal impairment   | No data  | Increased exposure                 | Increased exposure               | Increased            |
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| Mild hepatic impairment   | None   | Increased exposure                 | Increased exposure               | None                 |
|   |  |                                    |                                  |                      |
| Moderate hepatic<br>impairment  | Reduced exposure   | Increased exposure                 | Increased exposure               | None                 |
| Severe hepatic  | Not studied  | Not studied                        | Not studied                      | Limited data         |
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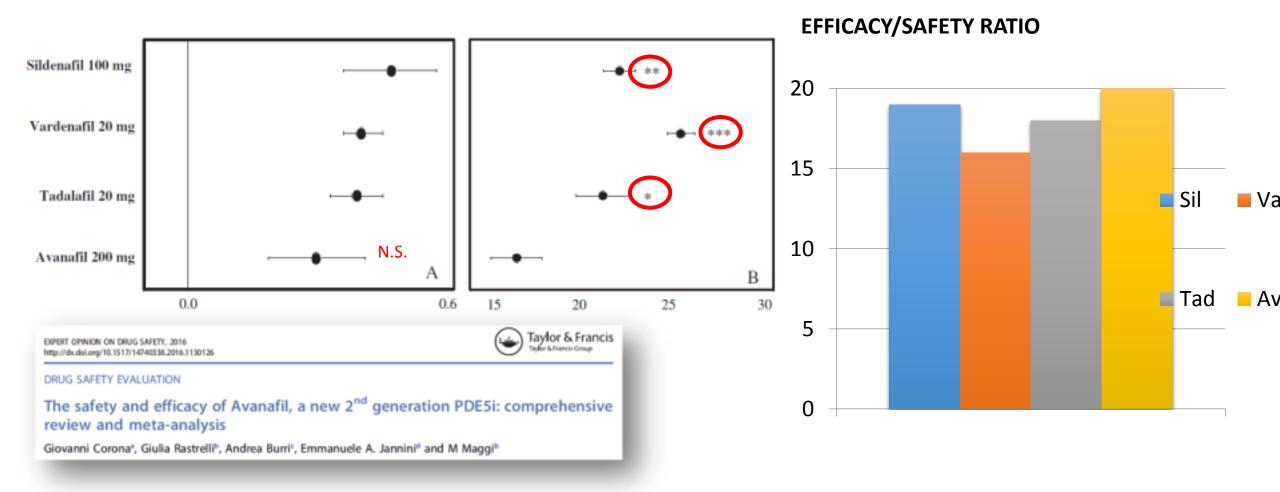
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## Τι δείχνει η μετα-ανάλυση;

Πάνω από 2000 ασθενείς με Avanafil ή Placebo



## Ανεπιθύμητες ενέργειες PDE5i

Table 1. Incidence of drug-related side effects as derived from the first published paper dealing with them in the general population.

| Side effects (%)    | Sildenafil 100 mg [12] | Tadalafil 20 mg [13] | Vardenafil 20 mg [14] | Avanafil 200 mg [15] |
|---------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Headache            | 12                     | 21                   | 21                    | 9.3                  |
| Dyspepsia           | 5                      | 17                   | 6                     | 0                    |
| Back pain           |                        | 9                    | _                     | 0                    |
| Nasal congestion    | 2                      | 5                    | 17                    | 1.9                  |
| Sinusitis           | _                      | 0                    | 5                     | 3.7                  |
| Flushing            | 10                     | 5                    | 13                    | 3.7                  |
| Visual disturbances | 4                      | 0                    | -                     | 0                    |
| Myalgia             | -                      | 5                    | -                     | 0                    |

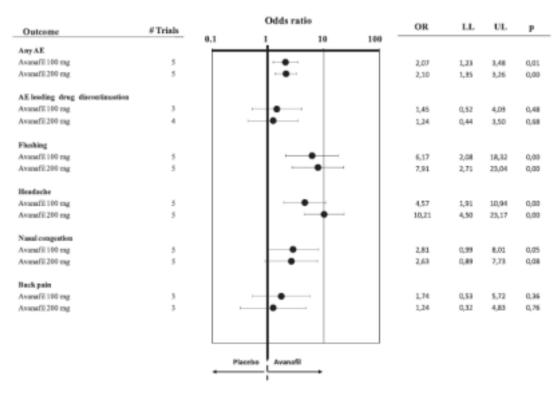
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Highest specificity for PDE5
Lowest cross-reaction with other PDEs

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No differences beween 100 and 200 mg

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## ΣΥΜΠΕΡΑΣΜΑ

#### Box 2. Drug summary.

- Despite their efficacy, the discontinuation rate with first-generation phosphodiesterase type 5 inhibitors (PDE5i) is still very high.
- Avanafil is a new PDE5i approved for the treatment of ED available in several countries worldwide.
- The most important characteristic of avanafil, in comparison to the first generation of PDE5i, is its high selectivity for PDE5, which improves its adverse effect profile.
- Avanafil is up to 3-fold superior than placebo in determining a successful intercourse.
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# Ασθενείς με Σακχαρώδη Διαβήτη

- Η παθοφυσιολογία είναι πολυπαραγοντική
- Η αποτελεσματικότητα είναι μέτρια, δεν εππγρεάζονται τα επίπεδα σακχάρου
- Βελτίωση αποτελεσματικότητας: Ρύθμιση επιπέδων γλυκόζης αίματος και συνοδών νοσημάτων

# Ασθενείς με ριζική προστατεκτομή

- Η παθοφυσιολογία είναι πολυπαραγοντική
- Αξιολόγηση της στυτικής ικανότητας πριν το χειρουργείο
- PDE5i μετεγχειρητικά (Tadanafil 5mg καλύτερα αποτελέσματα)
   Ενημέρωση για τις δυσκολίες αποκατάστασης

## Ασθενείς με νευρολογικά νοσήματα

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### ΕΡΩΤΗΣΕΙΣ



Ποιον PDE5i προτιμούν οι ασθενείς;

### Προτίμηση PDE5i

- Διακοπή περίπου στο 50%
- Οι μεγαλύτεροι σε ηλικία άνδρες με λίγες επαφές τείνουν να προτιμούν σιλδεναφίλη και βαρδεναφίλη ενώ οι νεότεροι ταδαλαφίλη καθημερινής λήψης
- Η επιλογή PDE5i θα πρέπει να είναι συνάρτηση της συχνότητας επαφών και της ανάγκης για αυθορμητισμό
- Δυνατότητα στον ασθενή να δοκιμάσει όλους τους PDE5 ώστε να επιλέξει ποιος ανταποκρίνεται στις ανάγκες του
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|   | Number (%) of patients  |                           |                     |
|---|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
|   | PDE5-I naive<br>N = 510 | PDE5-I pretreated N = 267 | Overall<br>N = 778* |
| Discontinued TAD-OaD†                           | 71 (100.0)              | 36 (100.0)                | 107 (100.0)         |
| Reasons   |                         |                           |                     |
| Lack of efficacy (hardness of erection)         | 18 (25.4)               | 15 (41.7)                 | 33 (30.8)           |
| Adverse event                                   | 16 (22.5)               | 6 (16.7)                  | 22 (20.6)           |
| Cost of medication                              | 12 (16.9)               | 4 (11.1)                  | 16 (15.0)           |
| Did not want to take a pill every day           | 7 (9.9)                 | 5 (13.9)                  | 12 (11.2)           |
| Patient discontinued study                      | 8 (11.3)                | 1 (2.8)                   | 9 (8.4)             |
| Partner's request                               | 3 (4.2)                 | 2 (5.6)                   | 5 (4.7)             |
| Felt that medication controlled his sexual life | 3 (4.2)                 | 0                         | 3 (2.8)             |
| Slow onset of action                            | 3 (4.2)                 | 0                         | 3 (2.8)             |
| Lack of efficacy (duration of erection)         | 0                       | 2 (5.6)                   | 2 (1.9)             |
| Lack of confidence in medication                | 0                       | 1 (2.8)                   | 1 (0.9)             |
| Non-desired spontaneous erections               | 1 (1.4)                 | 0                         | 1 (0.9)             |

<sup>\*</sup>For one patient, previous PDE5-I treatment status was unknown. †Includes all patients with documented end date of tadalafil OaD treatment, irrespective if the patient completed or discontinued the study. N, number of patients; OaD, once a day; PDE5-I, phosphodiesterase type 5 inhibitor; TAD, tadalafil.

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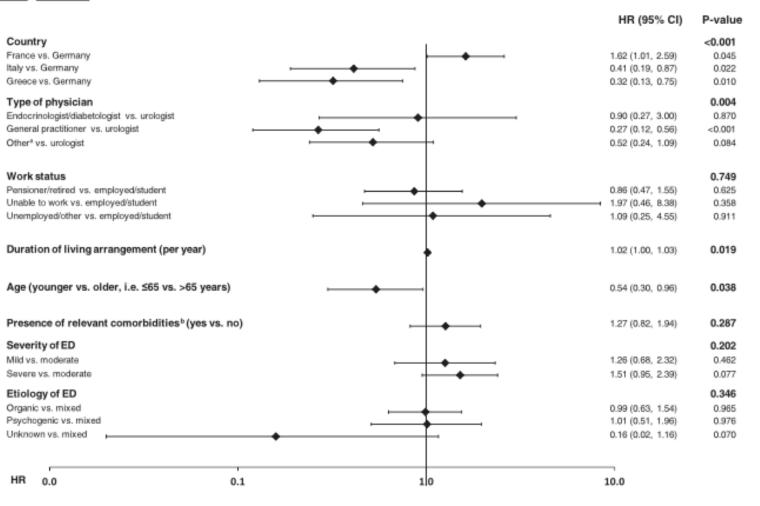


Figure 3 Factors associated with time to discontinuation of tadalafil OaD treatment (Cox proportional hazards model; 734 patients included in model). Model goodness of fit (AIC): 1267.347. AIC, akaike information criterion; CI, confidence interval; ED, erectile dysfunction; HR, hazard ratio; OaD, once a day. at other includes: sexual medicine specialist, cardiologist, psychiatrist or other specialty. Based on presence or absence of ≥ 1 of the following pre-existing conditions: hypertension, dyslipidaemia, diabetes, benign prostate hyperplasia, cardiovascular disease.

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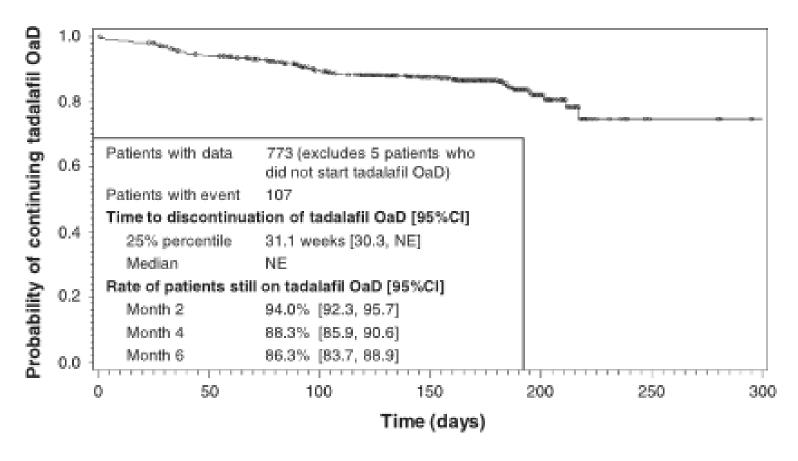


Figure 2 Kaplan-Meier estimation for time to discontinuation of tadalafil OaD treatment. CI, confidence interval; NE, not estimable; OaD, once a day.

### ΕΡΩΤΗΣΕΙΣ



Πως χειρίζεστε ασθενείς που δεν απαντούν στους PDE5i;



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### Clinical trials in ED are generally characterized by:

- Motivated patients, with a high degree of compliance in treatment administration and reporting of results.
- Rigorous criteria for inclusion/exclusion, administration and evaluation.
- Narrow emphasis on measurable results from the specific treatment under study.

### In contrast, clinical practice of ED is characterized by:

- Differing expectations and motivation for treatment.
- Variability among patients in medical and psychological comorbidities, degree of compliance and consistency of reported results.
- A broad range of possible approaches for managing ED (including counseling and other first- or second-line therapies).



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**Complete response** This term describes consistent achievement and maintenance of full erection with the ability to engage and complete sexual intercourse. Such erectile response for ED patients is synonymous with 'complete or nearly complete remission of all symptoms'.

The panel agreed that complete response should include the patient's ability to tolerate side effects, without necessarily including the use of concomitant medication for side-effect relief, if any, at the clinically effective dose. Side-effect profiles in this category would not be expected to interfere significantly with the patient's functioning.



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**Partial response** This category is regarded as the most difficult to define, and is also likely to include a large proportion of patients. As with the discussion of complete response, the possibility of basing the definition of partial response on specific scale scores was considered, although a broader definition was selected. There was general agreement that *partial response* refers to a degree of symptom improvement and/or partial remission of symptoms, as described below

- Achievement of a degree of erection that is clearly discernible, but not adequate for intercourse or complete, or
- Ability to achieve full erection, but not on a consistent basis over time.
- Ability to achieve full erection, which is not maintained until completion of intercourse on a consistent basis.

The role of side effects in defining partial response was considered. The panel included in the definition of a partial responder any patient for whom treatment efficacy was adequate, but who was bothered by the side effects of treatment. Side effects were deemed in this case to be, significantly interfering with patient's use of the treatment.

Patients who had adequate efficacy with a given agent or dose, but were reluctant to use the drug due to bothersome side effects of treatment (eg, headache, dyspepsia) were defined as having a partial response to treatment.



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**NONRESPONDERS:** definition

"Any patient who, after four successive or closely timed trials of the maximum tolerated dose of the medication, in accordance with the regulatory agency's guidelines with respect to timing relative to meals, alcohol ingestion, use of concomitant medications and adequate sexual stimulation, is unable to achieve or sustain adequate penile rigidity until completion of sexual performance".



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**Nonresponse** This category is relatively straightforward in cases in which treatment fails to produce an ability to achieve and maintain adequate erection for sexual activity, including either slight improvement that makes no clinical difference or results in the patient's status as unchanged/worse.

The panel proposed adding to the nonresponder category patients whose burden of side effects outweighes their therapeutic gain.

### Nonresponders, in general:

- Fail to respond in a clinically significant manner to the treatment,
- Experience intolerable side effects at any dosage or
- Cannot be titrated to a dose that would produce a response, due to intolerable side effects associated with treatment.



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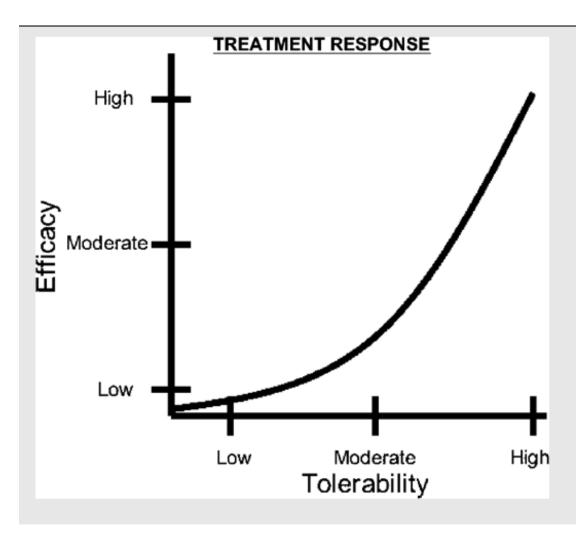
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- Treatment response: this dimension refers to pharmacologically based (ie, response-based) aspects, including both treatment efficacy and tolerability (side effects). These effects are typically self-reported by the patient and serve as surrogate end points for objective, physiological changes in penile firmness or rigidity. The 'therapeutic index' has previously been reported as a summary measure of this variable.
- Treatment satisfaction: this includes both patient and partner subjective responses and overall satisfaction with treatment. Treatment satisfaction may be assessed by means of interview or self-report questionnaires.



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### Ασθενείς που δεν ανταποκρίνονται στους PDE5i

Αίτια μη ανταπόκρισης

- Μη σωστή λήψη του φαρμάκου
- Προβλήματα ψυχολογικά και σχέσης
- Σεξουαλική δυσλειτουργία της συντρόφου
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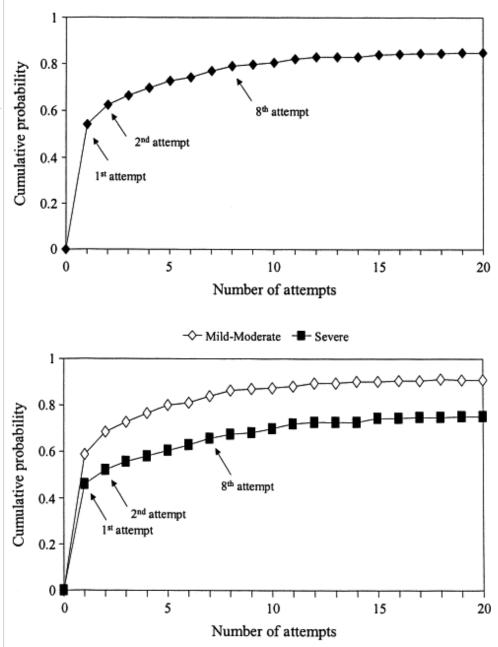


FIGURE 2. Intercourse success rates, as determined from event log data, in men with erectile dysfunction taking sildenafil (*top*). Intercourse success rates in men stratified by erectile dysfunction severity (*bottom*).

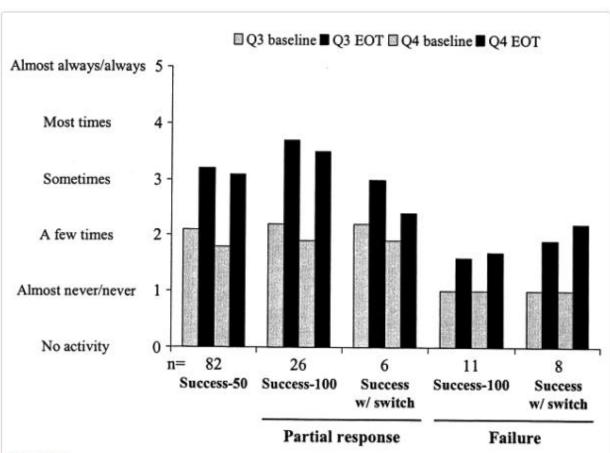


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#### FIGURE 4.

Efficacy results in a disease management program. Baseline and end-of-treatment (EOT) scores for International Index of Erectile Function question (Q)3 and Q4. EOT scores are patient responses to Q3 and Q4 at the stage they reached "success" (ie, 50 mg sildenafil, 100 mg sildenafil, switch to another treatment modality).

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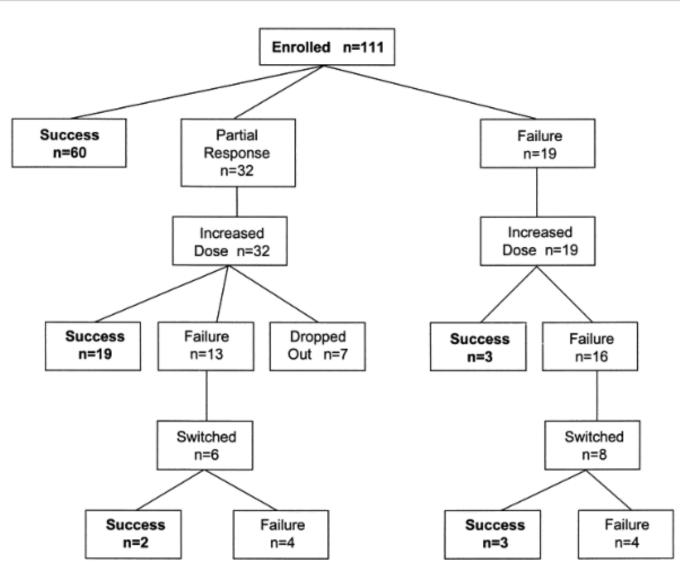


FIGURE 3.

Patient disposition in a disease management program.

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**Table 2** Essential aspects in managing patients with erectile dysfunction: the 'FAST' acronym

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Sexual stimulation
Titration to the maximum tolerated dose



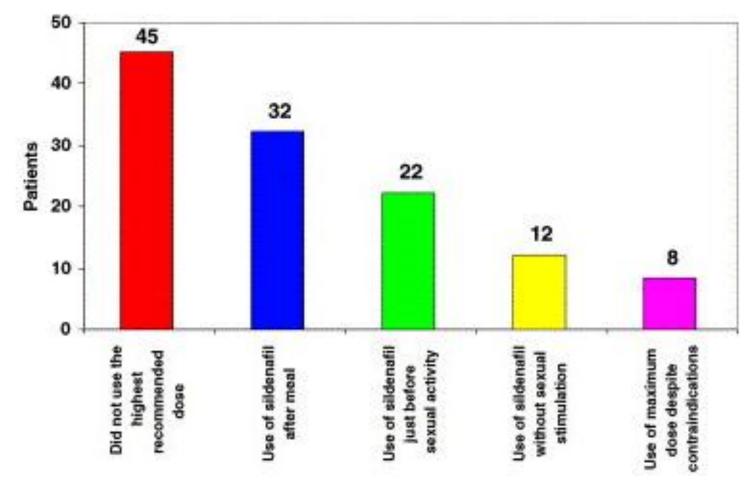
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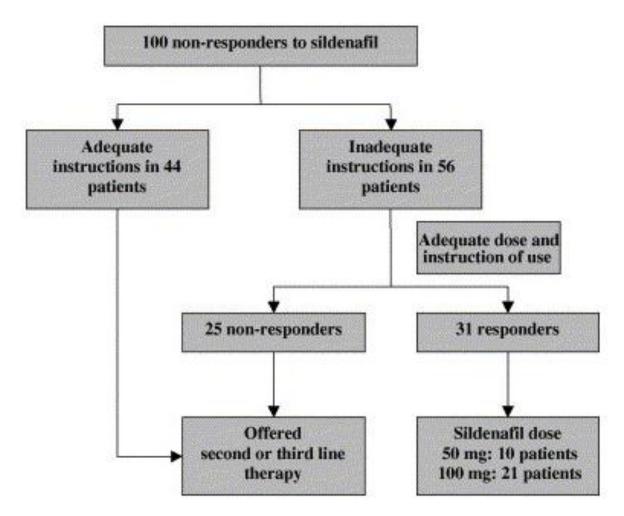


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# Sildenafil Failures May Be Due to Inadequate Patient Instructions and Follow-Up: A Study on 100 Non-Responders

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### Phosphodiesterase Type 5 Inhibitors: The Day After

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Table 1 - Reasons for inadequate use of PDE5-Is and treatment strategy

| Study                      | PDE5-I used | Reasons for inadequate use  | Treatment<br>strategy   | Results of treatment                          |  |
|----------------------------|-------------|---|---|---|--|
| McCullough [97] Sildenafil |             | • Only 50 mg used and<br><5 attempts (55%)  | <ul> <li>Re-education (proper administration and expectations)</li> <li>Retrial with at least 8 attempts (100 mg if needed)</li> </ul>  | 54% converted to<br>responders                |  |
| Atiemo [40]                | Sildenafil  | <ul> <li>Use after meal (13.3%)</li> <li>No sexual stimulation (33.7%)</li> <li>Timing of sex (14.3%)</li> <li>Too few attempts (20.4%)</li> </ul>      | <ul> <li>Re-education (videotape, personal instructions, instruction sheets for patient and partner)</li> <li>Retrial (100 mg if 50 mg after one attempt was inadequate)</li> </ul> | 41.5% converted<br>to responders              |  |
| Jiann [41]                 | Sildenafil  | <ul> <li>No sexual stimulation (30%)</li> <li>&lt;4 attempts (60%)</li> <li>Maximum dose &lt;100 mg (45%)</li> </ul>                                    | Adequate instructions     Retrial with 4 doses (100 mg)   | 58.5% converted<br>to responders              |  |
| Hatzichristou [39]         | Sildenafil  | <ul> <li>Maximum dose &lt;100 mg (44%)</li> <li>Use after meal (32%)</li> <li>Use just before sex (22%)</li> <li>No sexual stimulation (12%)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Adequate instructions</li> <li>Retrial with 4 doses</li> <li>(100 mg if needed)</li> </ul>   | 55.4% converted<br>to responders              |  |
| Gruenwald [43]             | Sildenafil  | <ul><li>Maximum dose &lt;100 mg (76%)</li><li>2.5 attempts (average)</li></ul>  | <ul> <li>Adequate instructions</li> <li>(oral and written,</li> <li>videotape in some cases)</li> <li>Retrial with 8 doses (100 mg)</li> </ul>                                      | 23.6% achieved<br>normal erectile<br>function |  |
| Hatzimouratidis [35]       | Tadalafil   | <ul> <li>Maximum dose &lt;20 mg (10%)</li> <li>&lt;4 attempts (29%)</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Adequate instructions</li> <li>Retrial with 4 doses</li> <li>(100 mg if needed)</li> </ul>   | 43.75% converted<br>to responders             |  |
| Hatzimouratidis [35]       | Vardenafil  | <ul><li>Maximum dose &lt;20 mg (3%)</li><li>&lt;4 attempts (38%)</li></ul>  | <ul> <li>Adequate instructions</li> <li>Retrial with 4 doses</li> <li>(100 mg if needed)</li> </ul>   | 31.6% converted<br>to responders              |  |



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### Table 3 - What can we expect in the future for PDE5-Is?

| Potential indication  | Rationale   |
|---|---|
| Chronic administration<br>of PDE5-Is (everyday, low-dose use)   | Chronic dosing may safely maximise efficacy improving endothelial dysfunction, although there are limited data on the systemic effects of the continuous inhibition of PDE5 |
| ED prevention/cure  | Current evidence supports the potential of prevention/cure of ED mainly through improving endothelial dysfunction   |
| Treatment of LUTS due to BPH  | PDE5-Is may relieve obstruction, improve LUTS, potentiate<br>NO-mediated relaxation in prostate   |
| Cross-risk factor treatment   | Beneficial effects of PDE5-Is in treating patients with cardiovascular risk factors or disease have been shown.   |
| Combination multimodal pills  | A single compound can target a number of risk factors to improve patient compliance.  |
| PDE5-I = phosphodiesterase type 5 inhibitor; ED = erectile dysfunction; hyperplasia; NO = nitric oxide. | LUTS = lower urinary tract symptoms; BPH = benign prostatic   |



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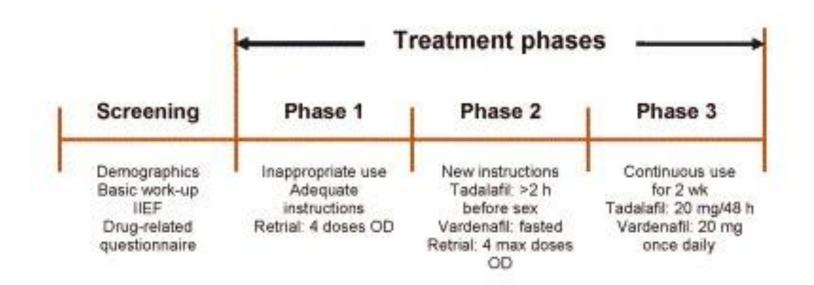


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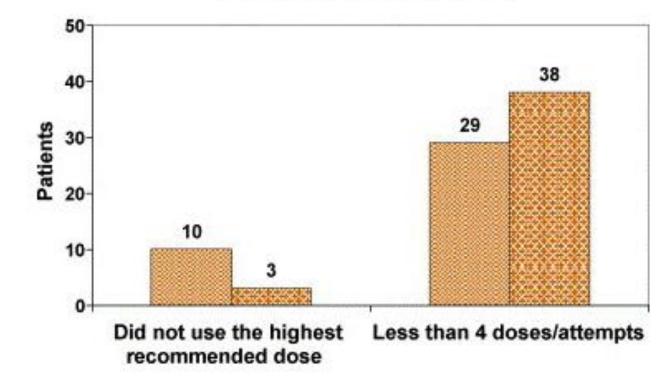
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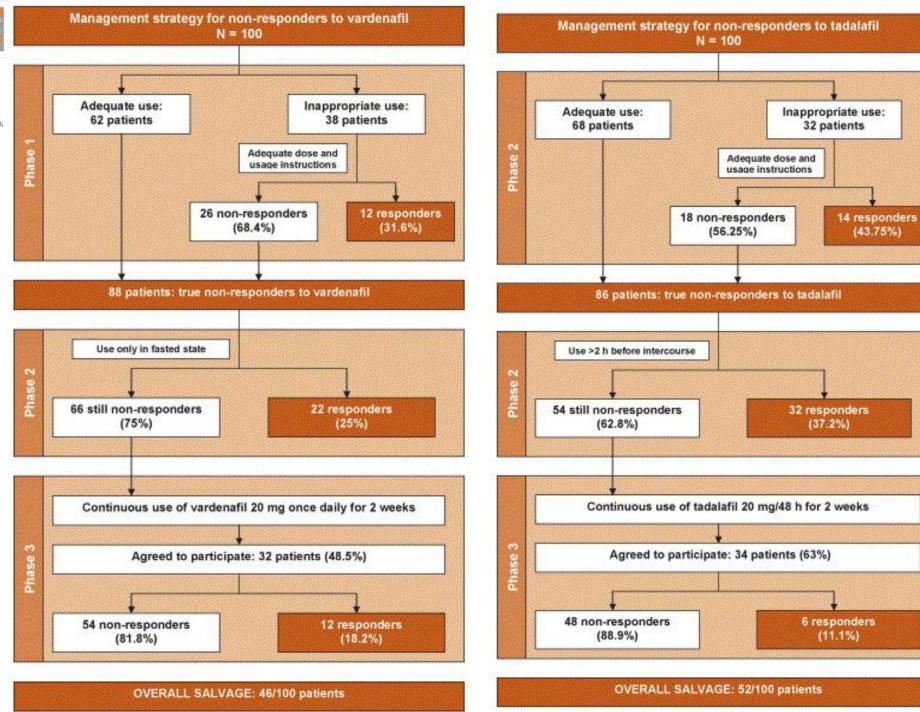
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### A positive intracavernous injection test implies normal veno-occlusive but not necessarily normal arterial function: a hemodynamic study.

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#### Abstract

During impotence evaluations a positive intracavernous injection test has been presumed to signify normal erectile hemodynamics. This premise was tested by obtaining hemodynamic data in 80 patients 17 to 65 years old with positive injection tests: patients achieved maximal circumference responses and equilibrium intracavernous pressures of 80 mmHg or more (range 80 to 136) sustained for 30 minutes or longer. Corporeal veno-occlusive testing revealed that flow-to-maintain (0.5 to 3 ml. per minute) and pressure decay (0 to 47 mmHg) values as well as pharmaco-cavernosography findings (absent or minimal contrast medium in venous structures in 92% of the cases) were all consistent with low outflow erection states. Arterial testing revealed right and/or left cavernous systolic arterial blood pressures always at 80 mmHg or more, consistent with a prerequisite cavernous artery pressure value for a positive injection test. Systemic-cavernous systolic arterial blood pressure gradients were 0 to 24 mmHg, 25 to 34 mmHg and 35 mmHg or more in 47 (59%), 18 (22%) and 15 (19%) patients, respectively. Large systemic-cavernous pressure gradients suggested the presence of arterial occlusive disease. In 8 patients with positive injection tests and gradients of 35 mmHg or more pharmaco-arteriography revealed hemodynamically significant arterial occlusions. In conclusion, hemodynamic data in selected patients with positive injection tests revealed low outflow erection states, threshold cavernous artery pressures and disparities in systemic-cavernous systolic pressure gradients that suggested arterial disease in 19% of the cases. The erectile response in a positive test is equal to or greater than a threshold response, not always the maximum response as determined by the systemic blood pressure. A positive intracavernous injection test did not necessarily signify normal erectile hemodynamics.

Eur Urol. 1999;36(1):60-7.

### Hemodynamic characterization of a functional erection. Arterial and corporeal veno-occlusive function in patients with a positive intracavernosal injection test.

Hatzichristou DG<sup>1</sup>, Hatzimouratidis K, Apostolidis A, Ioannidis E, Yannakoyorgos K, Kalinderis A.

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#### Abstract

**OBJECTIVES:** To characterize hemodynamically a functional/rigid erection and study the hypothesis that a positive intracavernosal injection test indicates normal arterial and corporeal veno-occlusive function.

**METHODS:** 33 patients (mean age 39.5 +/- 9 years), who developed rigid erection during pharmacocavernosometry, included in the present study. The presence of axial rigidity was determined at steady state equilibrium intracavernosal pressure, by absence of buckling to axial force of 1 kg, applied to the erect penis and sustained for >/=15 min. Arterial and veno-occlusive hemodynamic parameters were analyzed.

**RESULTS:** Flow-to-maintain at intracavernosal pressure 150 mm Hg and mean pressure decay values ranged between 0.5-13 ml/min and 5-85 mm Hg, respectively. Flow-to-maintain values >5 ml/min were noticed in 8 patients (24. 24%), while pressure decay values >45 mm Hg in 13 patients (39.39%). Pharmacocavernosography revealed moderate opacification of venous structures in 7 cases (21.21%). Abnormal systemic-cavernosal systolic arterial pressure gradients in both cavernosal arteries were noticed in 9 patients (27.27%). All patients with flow-to-maintain values >5 ml/min had normal arterial function.

**CONCLUSIONS:** A functional/rigid erectile response may coexist with arterial insufficiency or corporeal veno-occlusive dysfunction. Presence of normal or borderline arterial inflow may compensate minimal or moderate veno-occlusive dysfunction, resulting in a functional - but not normal - erection. Such information is critical when the intracavernosal injection test is used for diagnostic purposes.

#### Phosphodiesterase Type 5 Inhibitors: Unmet Needs

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### Identifications of non-responders to oral pharmacotherapy

### Evaluation of correct drug administration

- Timing
- Dosing
- Sexual stimulation
- Number of attempts
- Food and drug interactions

### Identify patient needs and expectations from sexual life

- Marital status-partner availability
- Relationship status
- Partner health status and comorbities
- Partner sexual history and health
- Psychosocial history

Provide counselling instructions and re-trial (4 doses)

Consider other treatment options

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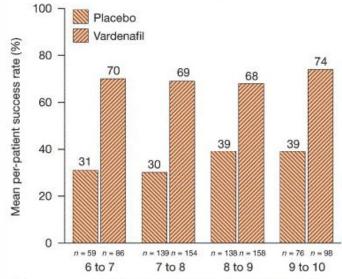


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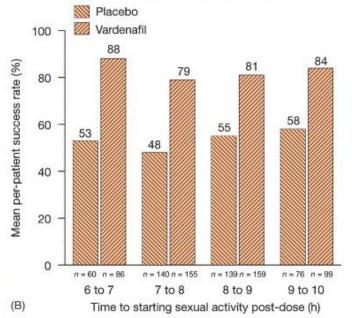
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(A) Time to starting sexual activity post-dose (h) Intent-to-treat population

#### SEP2: overall (Weeks 2-10)



# Efficacy, tolerability and satisfaction with sildenafil citrate 100-mg titration compared with continued 50-mg dose treatment in men with erectile dysfunction



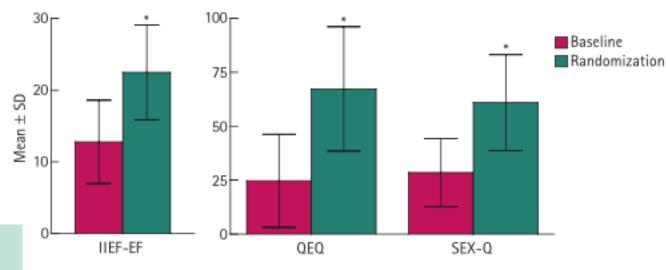
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FIG. 1. Mean change from baseline to randomization in the IIEF-EF domain, QEQ and SEX-Q; \*P < 0.001.



|                  | Single-blind | Double-blind |        |
|------------------|--------------|--------------|--------|
| AE               | 50 mg        | 50 mg        | 100 mg |
| No. of men       | 492          | 239          | 236    |
| Headache         | 6.5          | 7.1          | 3.0    |
| Flushing         | 3.5          | 4.6          | 3.8    |
| Hot flush        | 1.6          | 1.3          | 2.1    |
| Dyspepsia        | 1.2          | 2.1          | 0.8    |
| Cyanopsia        | 0.2          | 0            | 1.3    |
| Nasal congestion | 1.2          | 1.7          | 0.4    |
| Nasopharyngitis  | 0            | 1.7          | 0      |

TABLE 2
The most frequently reported AEs (≥1% of participants; expressed as % of patients)



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Sildenafil Citrate (Viagra): Redefining Efficacy in the Treatment of
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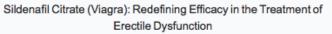
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This study was conducted between September 29, 2003 and June 10, 2004. Investigators recruited patients seeking treatment for ED for whom the investigator would have prescribed sildenafil. This 8-week, multicenter, open-label, flexible-dose study of sildenafil (25, 50, or 100 mg) included 2 phases. In the first 4-week phase, patients were given sildenafil (50 mg) and were instructed to follow the dosing instructions provided on the sample package (Table I) without further verbal clarification. At the start of the second 4-week phase, patient treatment satisfaction was assessed with Question 1 (Q1) from the Erectile Dysfunction Inventory of Treatment Satisfaction (EDITS), 13 "Overall, how satisfied are you with this treatment?" All patients who were not "very satisfied" with treatment were interviewed to determine the reasons for their dissatisfaction; they then received customized dosing instructions in response to their specific complaints. For example, if the patient was not satisfied with how long treatment had lasted, the investigator might review the timing of the medication with respect to meals and sexual activity, and suggest increasing the sildenafil dose to 100 mg and trying the new dose on at least 3 to 4 separate occasions. Conversely, a patient who experienced adverse events might be instructed to lower the sildenafil dose to 25 mg to enhance tolerability, and the investigator might additionally reassure the patient that these adverse effects are not dangerous, but are typical and provide a sign that the medication is working; the investigator might then suggest that the patient take appropriate treatment for symptomatic relief of common adverse events, such as headache, dyspepsia, and rhinitis, before taking sildenafil.



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#### TABLE I.

Information provided to patients in the Viagra® sample package

Viagra works only when you are sexually stimulated (such as kissing or touching)

For most men, Viagra works the first or second time they try it. Some men may need more attempts. So keep trying. Viagra can be taken as often as once a day

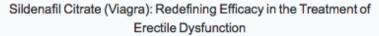
If you take any medicines that have nitrates in them (such as nitroglycerin for chest pains)—every day or even once in a while—you should not take Viagra

Viagra works in as quickly as 30 minutes. And it stays ready to work for at least 4 hours

If you are not pleased with your results, talk to your doctor. Your doctor can increase your dose to 100 mg or decrease your dose to 25 mg



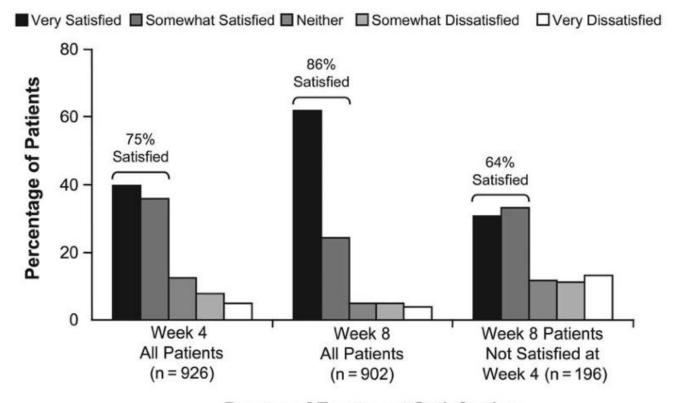
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**Degree of Treatment Satisfaction** 

## Στρατηγικές διάσωσης για ασθενείς που **ΔΕΝ ΑΠΑΝΤΟΥΝ** στη θεραπεία με αναστολείς φωσφωροδιεστεράσης τύπου-5 (PDE-5)

#### ΨΕΥΔΟΑΠΑΝΤΗΤΕΣ

### Ακολουθούν τις οδηγίες σωστά;

>4 λήψεις φαρμάκου με μικρή χρονικά απόσταση μεταξύ τους

Μέγιστη ανεκτή δόση

Λήψη δισκίου>1 ώρα πριν τη σεξουαλική δραστηριότητα

4 ώρες πριν από λιπαρό γεύμα, εφ' όσον το απαιτεί το φάρμακο που χορηγήθηκε

Χρήση συνοδών φαρμάκων, σύμφωνα με οδηγίες γιατρού

Επαρκής σεξουαλική διέγερση!

Είναι το ζευγάρι έτοιμο να επανέλθει στη σεξουαλική δραστηριότητα;

Αντιμετώπιση σεξουαλικής δυσλειτουργίας συντρόφου, εφόσον υπάρχει

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Συνδυασμός με ψυχοσεξουαλική θεραπεία

Αποδοχή θεραπείας από σύντροφο

#### ΜΗ ΑΠΑΝΤΗΤΕΣ

Επόμενα βήματα...

Συνταγογράφηση άλλου αναστολέα PDE-5

Λήψη ημερήσιας δόσης

#### ΛΗΨΗ ΣΥΝΔΥΑΣΤΙΚΗΣ ΘΕΡΑΠΕΙΑΣ:

- Συμπληρωματική τεστοστερόνη, εφόσον ενδείκνυται
- 2. Στυτική συσκευή κενού
- α-blockers, στατίνες ή συνεχής πίεση αεραγωγών, όταν υπάρχουν συννοσηρότητες

Ενδοσηραγγώδεις ενέσεις συν/πλην αναστολείς PDE5

Πεϊκή πρόθεση





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Table 3. Sildenafil responder preferences at 1 month and at study end

|   |   | No. Injection |                    |                                |  |  |
|---|---|---------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|
|   | No. Pts.  | (%)           | No. Sildenafil (%) | No. Injection + Sildenafil (%) |  |  |
|   |   | After         | 1 mo.              |                                |  |  |
| Alprostadil (µg.):  | Alprostadil (μg.):  |               |                    |                                |  |  |
| 10 or Less  | 54  | 13 (24.1)     | 35 (64.8)          | 6 (11.1)                       |  |  |
| Greater than 10–<br>20                                      | 28  | 7 (25)        | 17 (60.7)          | 4 (14.3)                       |  |  |
| Combined papaverine,  | Combined papaverine, phentolamine + prostaglandin E1 (ml.): |               |                    |                                |  |  |
| 0.05-0.3  | 19  | 5 (26.3)      | 12 (63.2)          | 2 (10.5)                       |  |  |
| 0.35-0.6  | 12  | 5 (41.7)      | 5 (41.7)           | 2 (16.6)                       |  |  |
| 0.7–1   | 3   | 1 (33.3)      | 2 (66.7)           | 0                              |  |  |
|   |   | After 3 mos.  |                    |                                |  |  |
| Alprostadil (µg.):  | Alprostadil (µg.):  |               |                    |                                |  |  |
| 10 or Less  | 54  | 13 (24.1)     | 39 (72.2)          | 2 (3.7)                        |  |  |
| Greater than 10–<br>20                                      | 28  | 8 (28.6)      | 19 (67.8)          | 1 (3.6)                        |  |  |
| Combined papaverine, phentolamine + prostaglandin E1 (ml.): |   |               |                    |                                |  |  |
| 0.05-0.3  | 19  | 6 (31.6)      | 12 (63.1)          | 1 (5.3)                        |  |  |
| 0.35-0.6  | 12  | 8 (66.7)      | 4 (33.3)           | 0                              |  |  |
| 0.7–1   | 3   | 3 (100)       | 0                  | 0                              |  |  |

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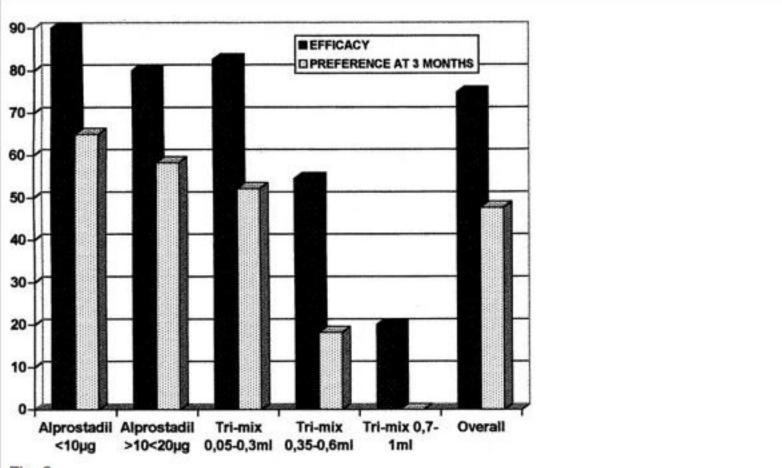


Fig. 2.

Differences in efficacy of sildenafil and preference by group in overall study sample of 155 patients. *Tri-mix*, combined papaverine, phentolamine and prostaglandin E1.

# Normal hemodynamic parameters do not always predict the presence of a rigid erection: a quantitative assessment of functional erectile impairment

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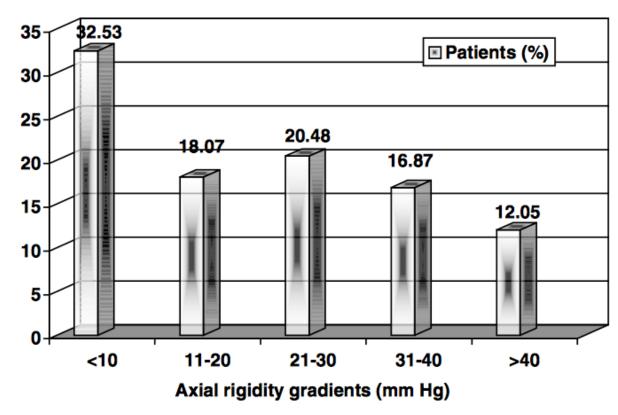


Figure 3 ARGs in the study sample.

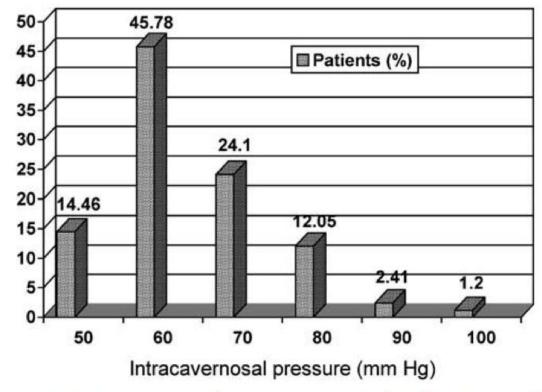


Figure 2 Intracavernosal pressure associated with presence of penile rigidity in the study sample.

# Normal hemodynamic parameters do not always predict the presence of a rigid erection: a quantitative assessment of functional erectile impairment

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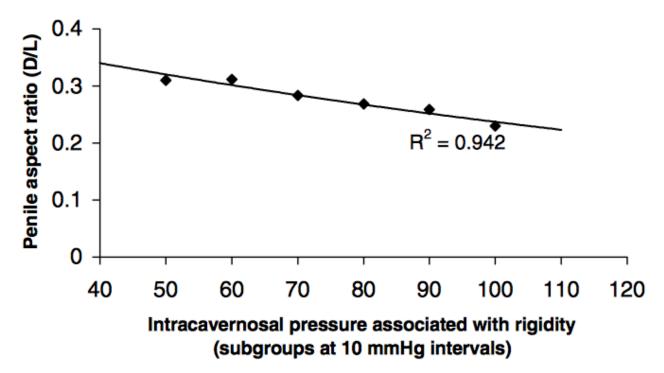
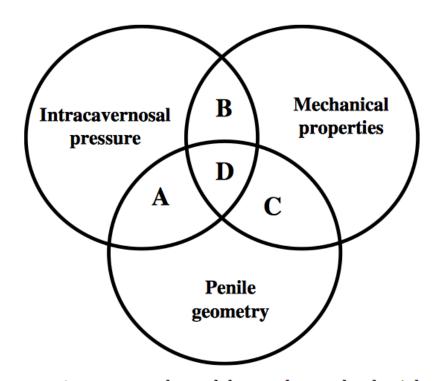


Figure 1 Relation between intracavernosal pressure associated with rigidity values and mean penile aspect ratio values (correlation coefficient 0.942).



**Figure 4** A conceptual model on the pathophysiology of impotence, in which impotence may be because of reduced intracavernosal pressure, altered tissue mechanical properties, unfavorable penile geometry (D/L) ratio or any combination of these: (a) normal tissue expandability, low intracavernosal pressure and low D/L ratio, (b) normal penile geometry, low intracavernosal pressure and altered tissue expandability properties, (c) normal intracavernosal pressure altered tissue expandability and low D/L ratio. (d) low intracavernosal pressure value altered tissue expandability and low D/L ratio.

#### Συνδυασμοί με PDE5i

#### PDE5i και VED

- Βελτίωση του IIEF-EF.
- Νέοι ασθενείς, μετά από ριζική.

#### PDE5i και ενδοπεϊκές ενέσεις

- Ανταπόκριση έως 31%
- Παρενέργειες σε ποσοστό 33%
- 20% ζάλη

#### PDE5i και Τεστοστερόνη

• Βελτίωση σε ασθενείς με επίπεδα T <300ng/dl

#### ΕΡΩΤΗΣΕΙΣ



Ποιος PDE5i έχει το καλύτερο προφίλ ασφάλειας;

#### ΑΝΕΠΙΘΥΜΗΤΕΣ ΕΝΕΡΓΕΙΕΣ ΤΩΝ ΑΝΑΣΤΟΛΕΩΝ ΤΗΣ PDE5

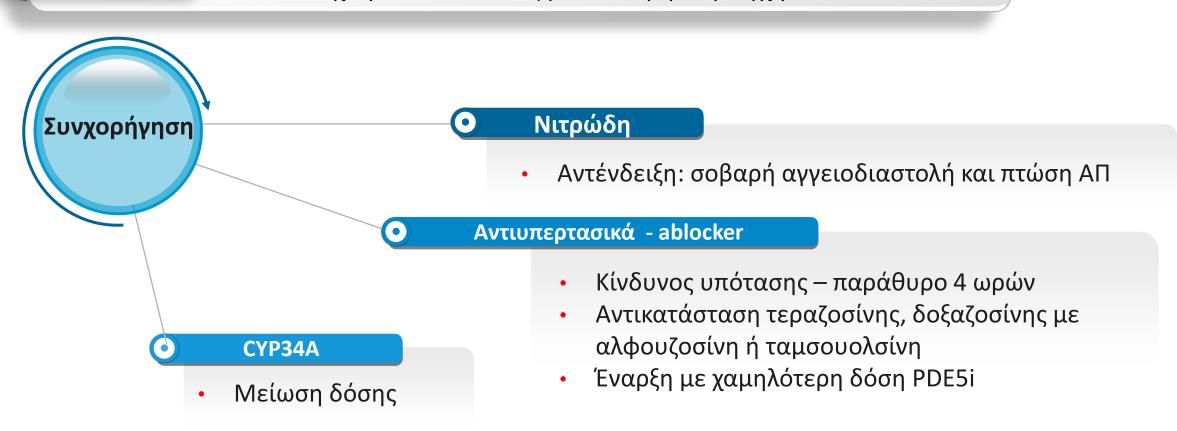
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| Ερύθημα<br>πρόσωπου     | 10.4%       | 4.1%       | 12%         | 3.7%      | 23.2%       |
| Δυσπεψία                | 4.6%        | 12.3%      | 4%          | 1%        | 2.1%        |
| Ρινική<br>συμφόρηση     | 1.1%        | 4.3%       | 10%         | 1.9%      | 7.1%        |
| Zάλn                    | 1.2%        | 2.3%       | 2%          | <1%       | < 1%        |
| Διαταραχές<br>όρασης    | 1.9%        |            | < 2%        | 1.9%      |             |
| Οσφυαλγία               |             | 6.5%       |             |           |             |
| Μυαλγία                 |             | 5.7%       |             |           |             |



#### Ασφάλεια των PDE5i

Καμιά διαφορά

- Εμφάγματα μυοκαρδίου
- Τέστ κόπωσης: στον συνολικό χρόνο και τον χρόνο μέχρι τη ισχαιμία σε ασθενείς με σταθερή στηθάγχη





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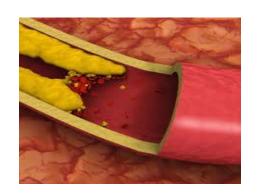




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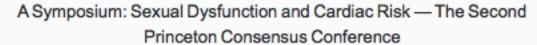


- ED not only shares risk factors with CVD but also constitutes itself an independent marker of increased risk for CVD.
- The relevant CV risk is higher in men 40-49 years with ED (Vlachopoulos et al. 2013) and those with diabetes (Miner et al. 2012)

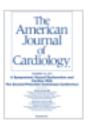


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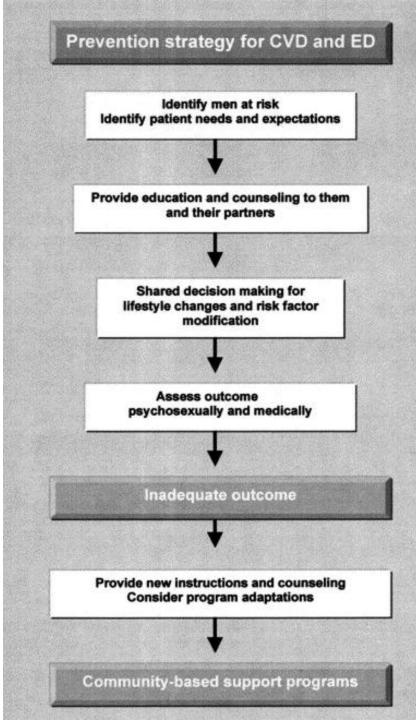


A Symposium: Sexual Dysfunction and Cardiac Risk



# Prevention and Management of Cardiovascular Disease and Erectile Dysfunction: Toward A Common Patient-Centered, Care Model

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#### **KATEYOYNTHPIES** ΓΡΑΜΜΕΣ

(Princeton Consensus)

για αντιμετώπιση στυτικής δυσλειτουργίας σε ασθενείς με καρδιαγγειακή νόσο

#### Σεξουαλική διερεύνηση όλων των ανδρών

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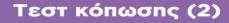
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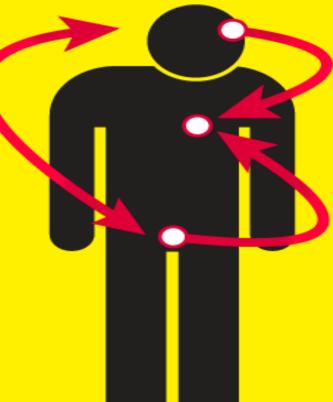




#### A DEPRESSING CONNECTION

#### DEPRESSION/ED

It's unclear which comes first, but depression may interfere with normal processes of the nervous system, including erectile function.



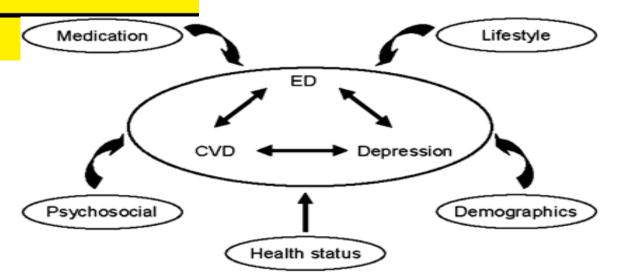
#### DEPRESSION/ HEART DISEASE

Depression has been linked to high levels of cortisol, which raises blood pressure and heart rate, leading to heart disease.

#### **ED/HEART DISEASE**

Obstructed blood flow may begin in the smaller arteries of the penis and affect other arteries in the future. This puts men with erectile dysfunction at a higher risk of heart problems later.

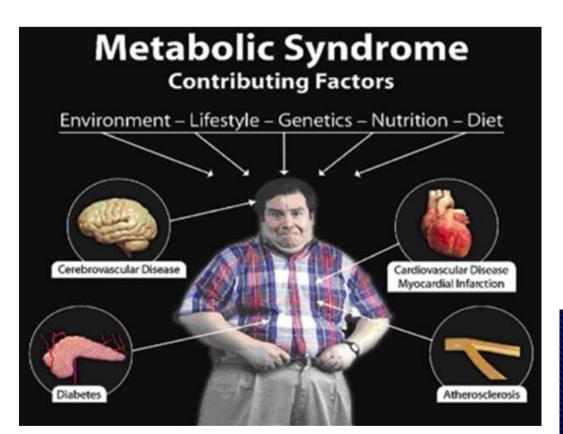
# CVD, ED Depression: the fatal triad



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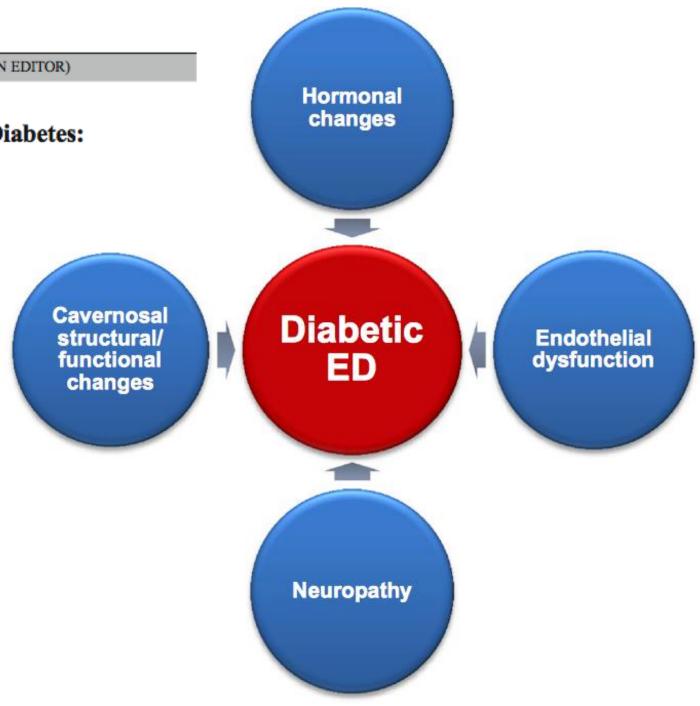




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Table 1 Efficacy of PDE5i in diabetic men (updated from [9])

| Study                           | Drug                      | Diabetes type   | Outcome<br>measure | Efficacy (%)                                   |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|---|--------------------|--|
| Rendell et al., 1999 [58]       | Sildenafil (25-100 mg)    | Type 1 (n=50) and   | IIEF Q4            | Placebo 1.6                                    |
|                                 |                           | type 2 (n=136)  |                    | Sildenafil 2.7 (mean scores, p<0.001)          |
| Boulton et al., 2001 [59]       | Sildenafil (25-100 mg)    | Type 2 (n=110)  | IIEF Q4            | Placebo 1.84                                   |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | Sildenafil 3.35 (mean scores, p<0.0001)        |
| Stuckey et al., 2003 [60]       | Sildenafil (25-100 mg)    | Type 1 (n=188)  | IIEF Q4            | Placebo 2.19                                   |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | Sildenafil 3.25 (mean scores, $p \le 0.001$ )  |
| Goldstein et al., 2003 [61]     | Vardenafil (10 and 20 mg) | Type 1 (n=51) and<br>type 2 (n=387)   | SEP3               | Placebo 23 %                                   |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | Vardenafil 10 mg 49 %                          |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | Vardenafil 20 mg 54 %                          |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | (p<0.0001 for both 10 and 20 mg)               |
| Safarinejad, 2004 [62]          | Sildenafil (100 mg)       | Type 1 (n=48) and<br>type 2 (n=234)   | IIEF Q4            | Placebo 2.9                                    |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | Sildenafil 2 (mean scores, p<0.002)            |
| Fonseca et al., 2004 [63]       | Tadalafil (10 and 20 mg)  | Type 1 (n=210) and<br>type 2 (n=427)  | SEP3               | Placebo 21.5 %                                 |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | Tadalafil 10 mg 48.6 %                         |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | Tadalafil 20 mg 52.8 %                         |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | (p<0.001 for both 10 and 20 mg)                |
| Ziegler et al., 2006 [64]       | Vardenafil (5-20 mg)      | Type 1 (n=154)  | SEP3               | Placebo 28 %                                   |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | Vardenafil 50 %                                |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | (p<0.0001)                                     |
| Hatzichristou et al., 2008 [65] | Tadalafil (2.5 and 5 mg)  | Type 1 (n=33) and<br>type 2 (n=265)   | SEP3               | Placebo 28.2 %                                 |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | Tadalafil 2.5 mg 46 %<br>Tadalafil 5 mg 41.1 % |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | (p≤0.005 for both 2.5 and 5 mg)                |
| Park et al., 2010 [66]          | Mirodenafil 100 mg        | Type 1 and type 2<br>(n=55 for both types,                                  | SEP3               | Placebo 22.3 %                                 |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | Mirodenafil 69 %                               |
|                                 |                           | stratification not reported)  |                    | (p<0.0001)                                     |
| Moon du et al., 2011 [67]       | Udenafil (100 and 200 mg) | Type 1 and type 2<br>(n=174 for both types,<br>stratification not reported) | SEP3               | Placebo 22.6 %                                 |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | Udenafil 100 mg 53.13 %                        |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | Udenafil 200 mg 63 %                           |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | (p<0.0001 for both 100 and 200 mg)             |
| Goldstein et al., 2012 [68]     | Avanafil (100 and 200 mg) | ) Type 1 (n=11) and type 2  | SEP3               | Placebo 20 %                                   |
|                                 |                           | (n=349)   |                    | Avanafil 100 mg 34 %                           |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | Avanafil 200 mg 40 %                           |
|                                 |                           |   |                    | (p<0.002 for 100 mg and p<0.001 for 200 mg)    |

IIEF Q4 International Index for Erectile Function Question 4 (During sexual intercourse, how often were you able to maintain your erection to completion of intercourse? Scale 0-5), SEP3 Sexual Encounter Profile question 3 (Did your erection last long enough for you to have successful intercourse?)

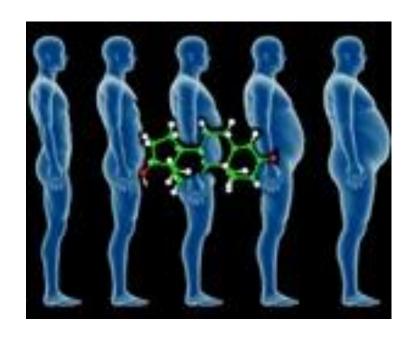
#### PDE5i in patients with diabetes mellitus

- In a review of randomized clinical trials of PDE5i in diabetic patients, the weighted mean difference for the IIEF-EF and the percentage of successful attempts in the PDE-5 inhibitors and in the control arm was 26.7 (95% CI 23.1 to 30.3) and 6.6 (95% CI 5.2 to 7.9) respectively (Vardi and Nini 2007).
- ➤ This is mainly because the pathophysiology of diabetes-induced ED is multifactorial, including elevated advanced glycation endproducts, high levels of oxygen free radicals, impaired nitric oxide synthesis, increased endothelin B receptor binding sites and up-regulated RhoA/Rho-kinase pathway, neuropathic damage and impaired cyclic guanosine monophosphate (cGMP)-dependent protein kinase-1 (Thorve, Kshirsagar et al. 2011).
- The only existing strategy to improve response rates include initially management of the underlying hyperglycemia and comorbidities, as well as to start early treatment with PDE5i (also to prevent or halt the progression of disease).

Efficacy only in pts with good, long term blood glucose control

1 out of 2 pts will respond to treatment

Treat any comorbidity



Ho JE, Arora P, Walford GA, Ghorbani A, Guanaga DP, Dhakal BP et al. Effect of phosphodiesterase inhibition on insulin resistance in obese individuals. J Am Heart Assoc 2014; 3

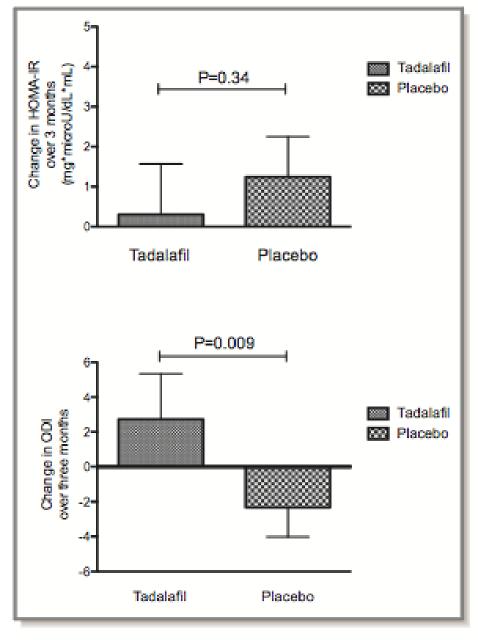
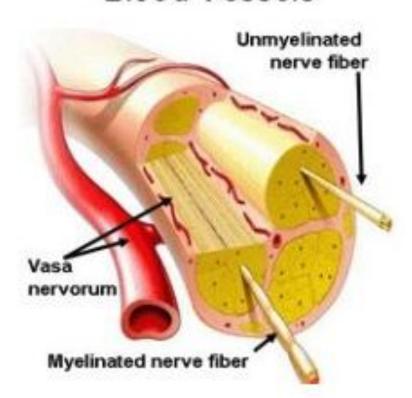


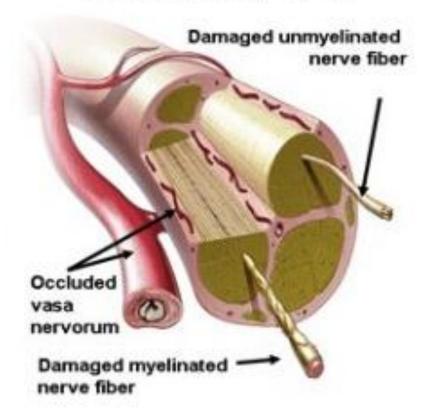
Figure 2. Change in HOMA-IR and oral disposition index after 3 months of treatment with tadalafil vs placebo groups. Data represent means±standard deviations. HOMA-IR indicates homeostatic model of insulin resistance, ODI indicates oral disposition index...

## Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy

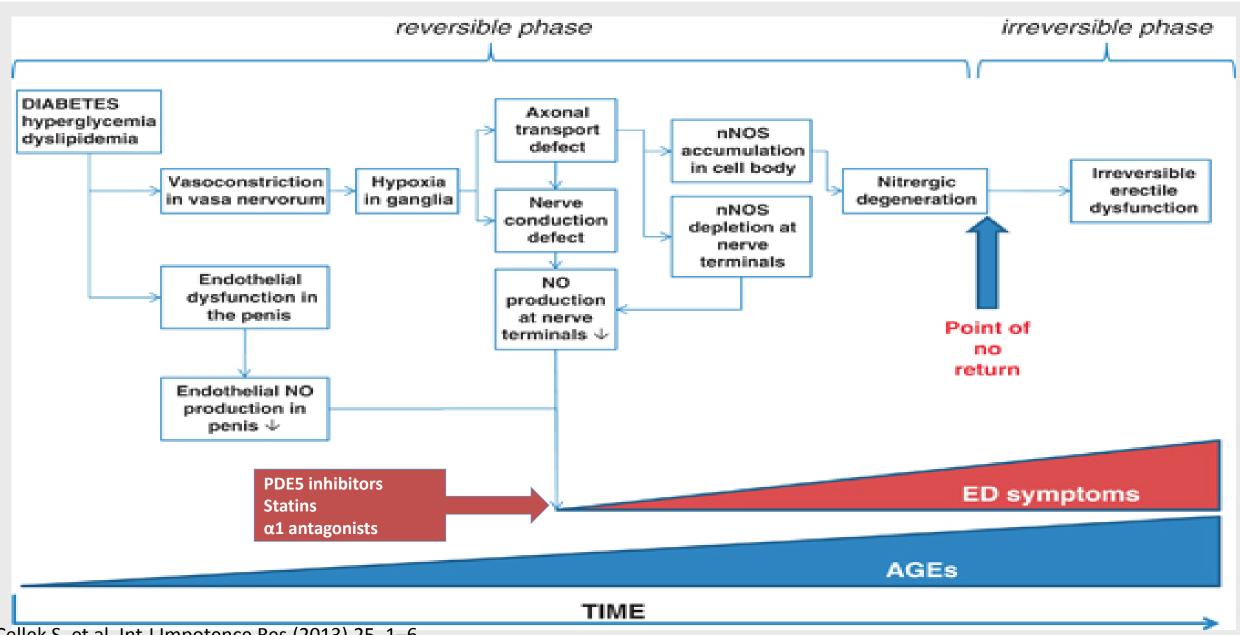
Healthy Nerves and Blood Vessels



Nerves and Blood Vessels Damaged by DPN

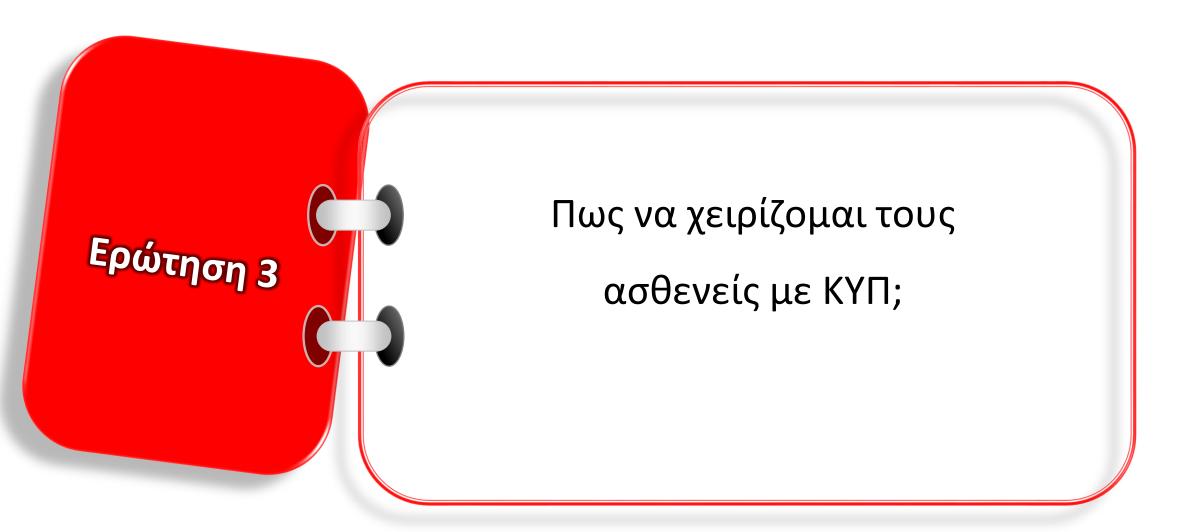


#### Diabetes mellitus and ED



Cellek S, et al. Int J Impotence Res (2013) 25, 1–6.

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# Common pathophysiologic mechanisms of Erectile dysfunction and Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia

LIFESTYLE Vascular risk factors



Alteration of the nitric oxide (NO)-cyclic guanosine monophosphate (cGMP) pathway

Decreased smooth muscle relaxation

2.

Increased Rho-kinase (ROCK) contractile signalling

Increased smooth muscle tone

3.

Autonomic adrenergic hyperactivity

Adrenergic receptor imbalance /dysregulation



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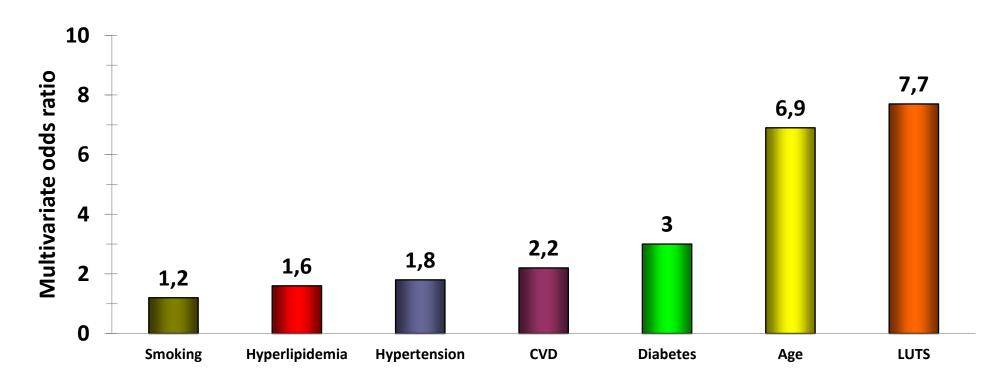
Pelvic atherosclerosis

Structural and functional impairment

Erectile dysfunction + Lower urinary tract symptoms (BPH-associated)

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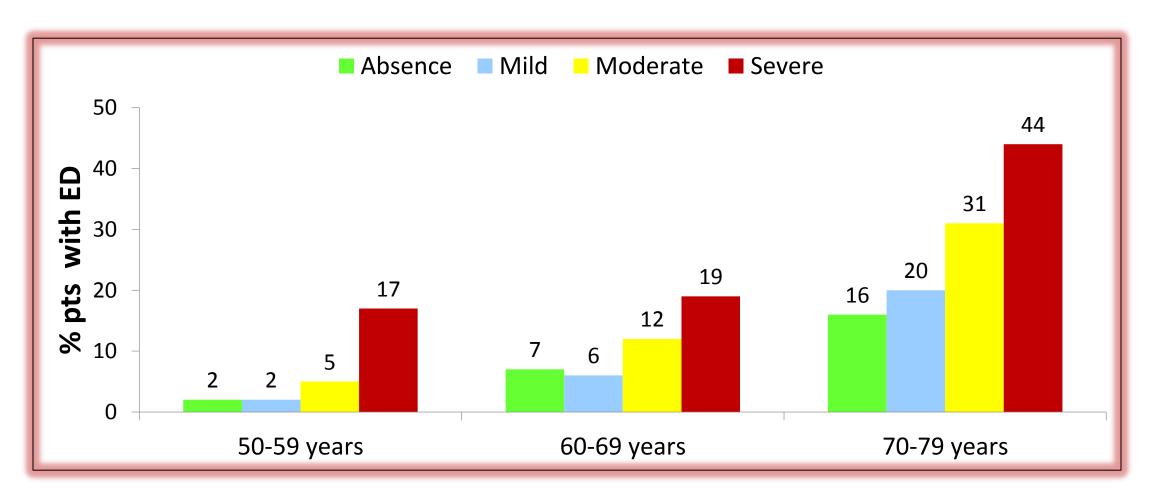
#### BPH-associated LUTS is strong predictor of ED



Rosen R et al. Eur Urol 2003, 44:637-649

- 24.8% had reduced or no sexual activity because of LUTS (Wein, Coyne et al. 2009)
- 31.1% of those with ED+BPH are treated for ED; 51.7% of men with BPH were under treatment (Foster, Annunziata et al. 2013).

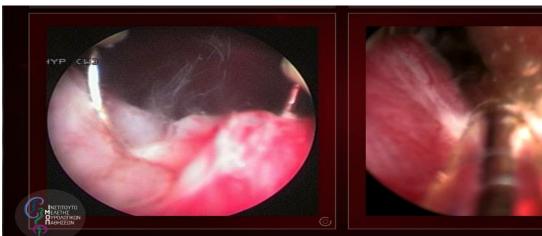
### Severity of LUTS predicts severity of ED



## **BPH-therapies and ED**

- Clinical trials with 5ARI report prevalence rates of de novo erectile dysfunction of 5 9%, while decreased circulating dihydrotestosterone (DHT) in diminished sexual desire and/or orgasm (Gur et al. 2013).
- Prolonged adverse effects on sexual function are reported by a subset of men, raising the possibility of a causal relationship(Traish et al. 2011)
- A systematic review of 33 randomized controlled trials and cohort studies showed that minimally invasive surgeries for BPH have comparable effects to those of TURP on erectile function (Frieben, Lin et al. 2010).
- Bipolar and monopolar TURP have no difference on overall sexual function (Mamoulakis et al. 2013).





#### ΟΙ ΚΟΚΚΙΝΕΣ ΕΡΩΤΗΣΕΙΣ



Πως να χειρίζομαι ασθενείς που λαμβάνουν φάρμακα που βλάπτουν την στύση;

## Drug-induced ED

- ➤ Antihypertensives, antidepressants and antiandrogens are the 3 most harmful drug categories for EF (Simonsen 2010)
- From a clinical practice point of view, the only way to identify the effect of a drug is to order a drug holiday, if indicated (Taylor et al. 2013).

#### **Clinical strategies to restore drug-induced ED:**

- Dose reduction, if indicated;
- Dose schedule after sexual activity;
- Scheduling a drug holiday periodically, e.g. a two-day drug holiday (weekends) of an antidepressant may restore sexual function without the drug losing its efficacy.

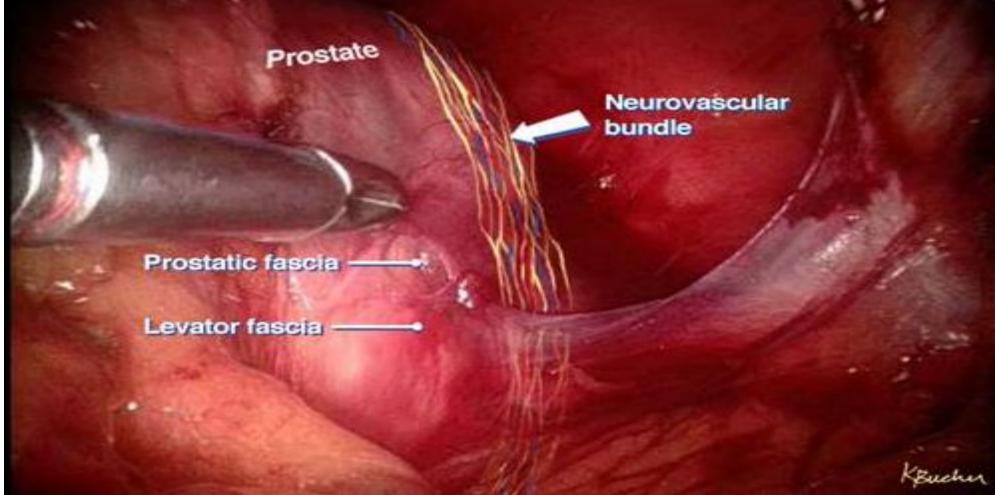
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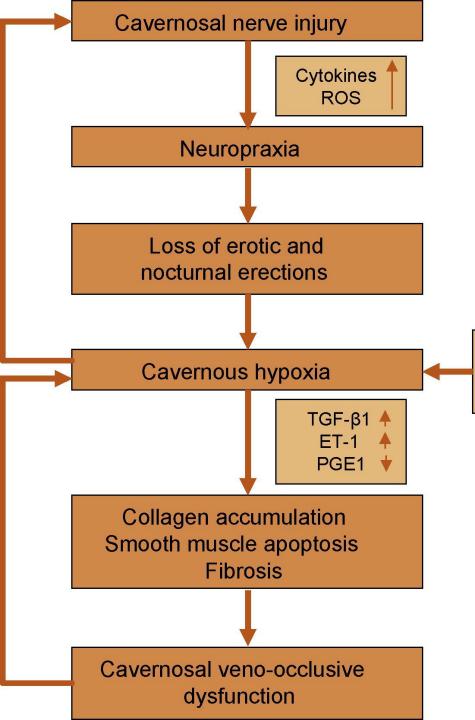


Τελικά η προστασία των νεύρων στη ριζική προστατεκτομή σώζει τη στύση;



# The incredible nerve-sparing surgery







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Collaborative Review - Prostate Cancer

Phosphodiesterase Type 5 Inhibitors in Postprostatectomy Erectile Dysfunction: A Critical Analysis of the Basic Science Rationale and Clinical Application

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Damage to the accessory pudendal arteries

## Nerve-sparing Radical Prostatectomy: myth or fact?

- > Post-radical prostatectomy ED prevalence varies in different studies between 25-75% (Sanda et al. 2008)
- ➤ Such discrepancy in success rates allows clinicians to bypass the lack of well-designed head-to-head, comparative studies on different surgical techniques and eventually provide patients with unrealistic expectations (Hatzichristou 2012).
- > The primary parameters contributing to EF recovery (Salonia, Burnett et al. 2012):
- ✓ Patient factors, including age, baseline EF and comorbid conditions),
- ✓ Cancer location (unilateral vs bilateral nerve-sparing),
- ✓ Technical aspects (i.e. intra- vs inter- vs extrafascial technique), surgical approach (i.e. open, laparoscopic and robot-assisted RP), as well as
- ✓ Surgeon factors (i.e. surgical volume and surgical skill)

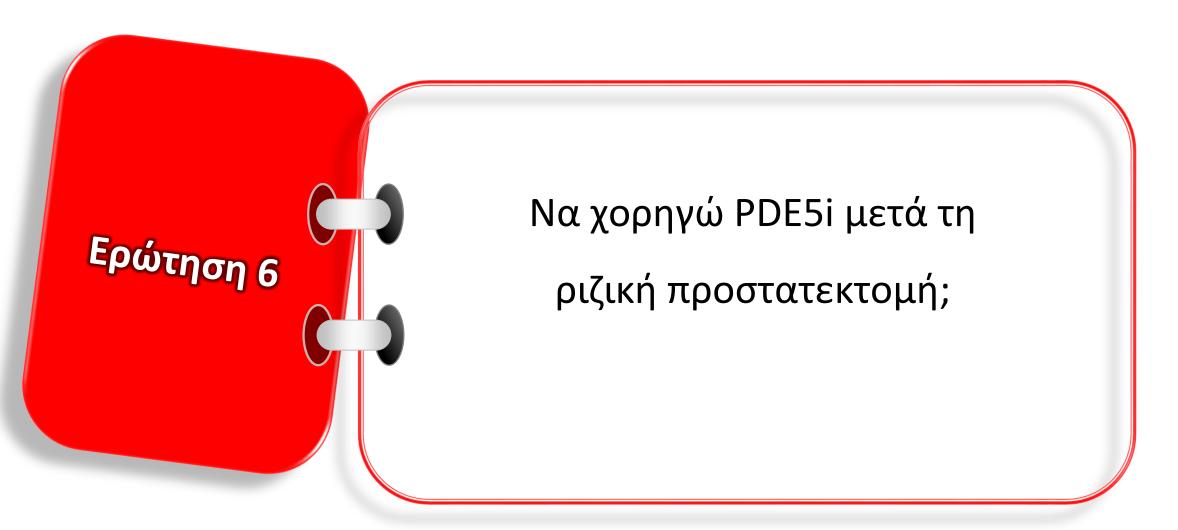


# Radical prostatectomy and erectile function: the end of the miracle

- ➤ A randomized, double-blind, double- dummy, multicentre, parallel group study conducted at 87 centres worldwide, included 628 patients scheduled to undergo bilateral NSRP within 1 month of screening and having a normal IIEF-EF score of >26 at screening.
- > Three significant observations are of particular interest:
- In 87 centers of excellence worldwide, 9 months postoperatively, only 16.8%
   of the patients in the placebo group had normal erectile function, as they had
   preoperatively;

Most pts will have ED postop

#### ΟΙ ΚΟΚΚΙΝΕΣ ΕΡΩΤΗΣΕΙΣ



## Rehabilitation Program: is it time to forget about it?

- > Two double-blind studies have found no difference between nightly vs on-demand use of vardenafil or sildenafil after nerve-sparing radical prostatectomy (Montorsi et al. 2008; Pavlovich et al. 2013)
- ➤ A goal-oriented treatment paradigm has been recently proposed, where any chosen treatment may actually induce erections that allow sexual intercourse (Fode, Ohl et al. 2013)

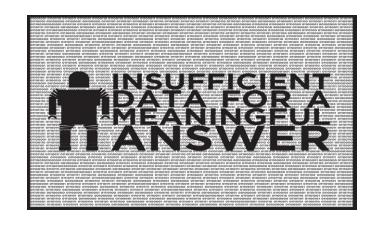
"One must be very careful not to repeat the statement that penile rehabilitation regimens improve erectile function after radical prostatectomy so many times that it becomes a truth, even without the proper scientific backing"

Fode, Ohl et al. 2013



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- Statistically significant difference compared to placebo was noticed only at the vardenafil on-demand group (p = 0.0003);
- On-demand administration of PDE5i one year postoperatively reached mean
   SEP3 success rates of approximately 60%



1 out of 5 will be responder to PDE5i

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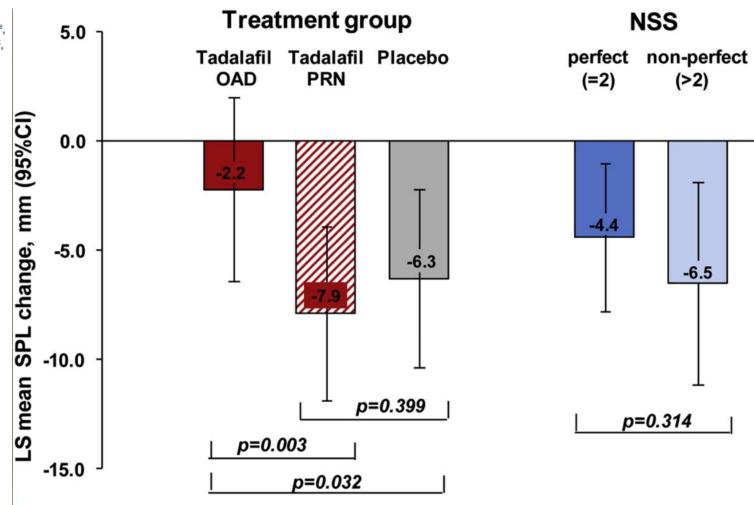
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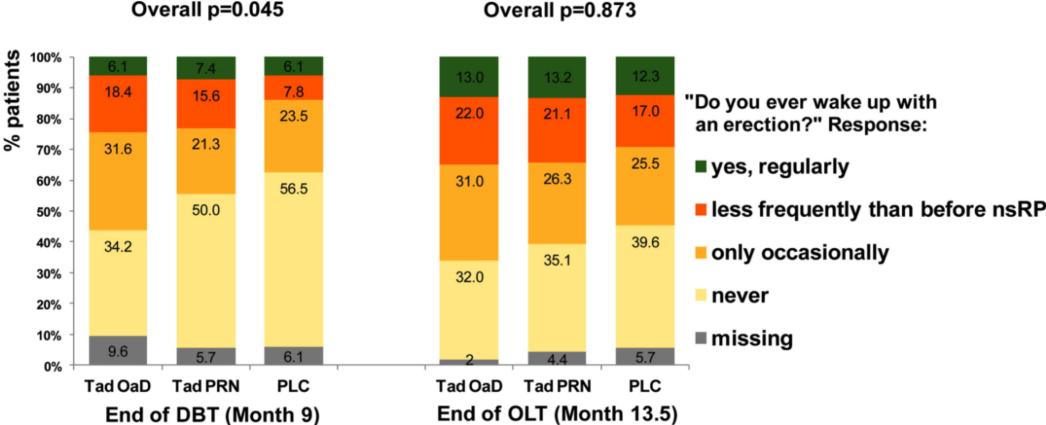


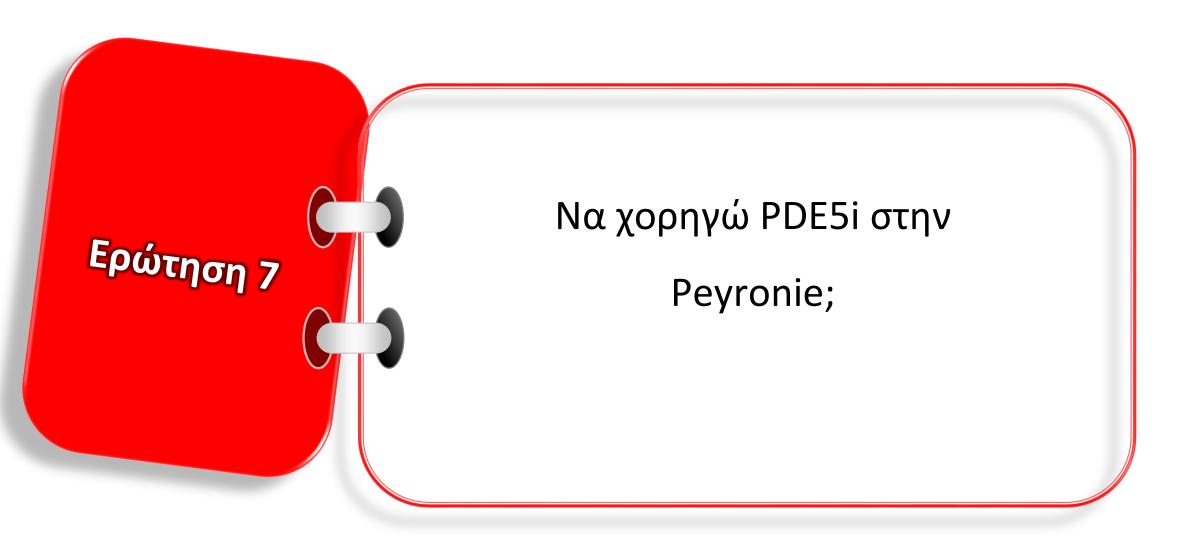
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Overall p=0.045







# Peyronie's disease: grafting procedures are not friendly to erectile function

- 58.1% reported preoperative ED (vascular disease in 76.8%) (Kadioglu et al. 2011).
- The risk of new ED with plication/tunica excision techniques is 0–13%, compared to 5–53% for grafting techniques (Hatzimouratidis et al. 2012)
- 65% of patients were dissatisfied with the outcome of graft surgery at 5-years (Chung et al. 2011)
- Diminished sensation is reported in 4–21% for plication / tunica excision, with limited data for grafting procedures (Levine 2013).
- Patients should be aware of grafting major drawbacks before surgery.



Based on the above, all proposed guidelines recommend tunica plication procedures for curvature <60° and absence of extreme deformities (hourglass, hingle). (Hatzimouratidis, Eardley et al. 2012;Levine and Burnett 2013).



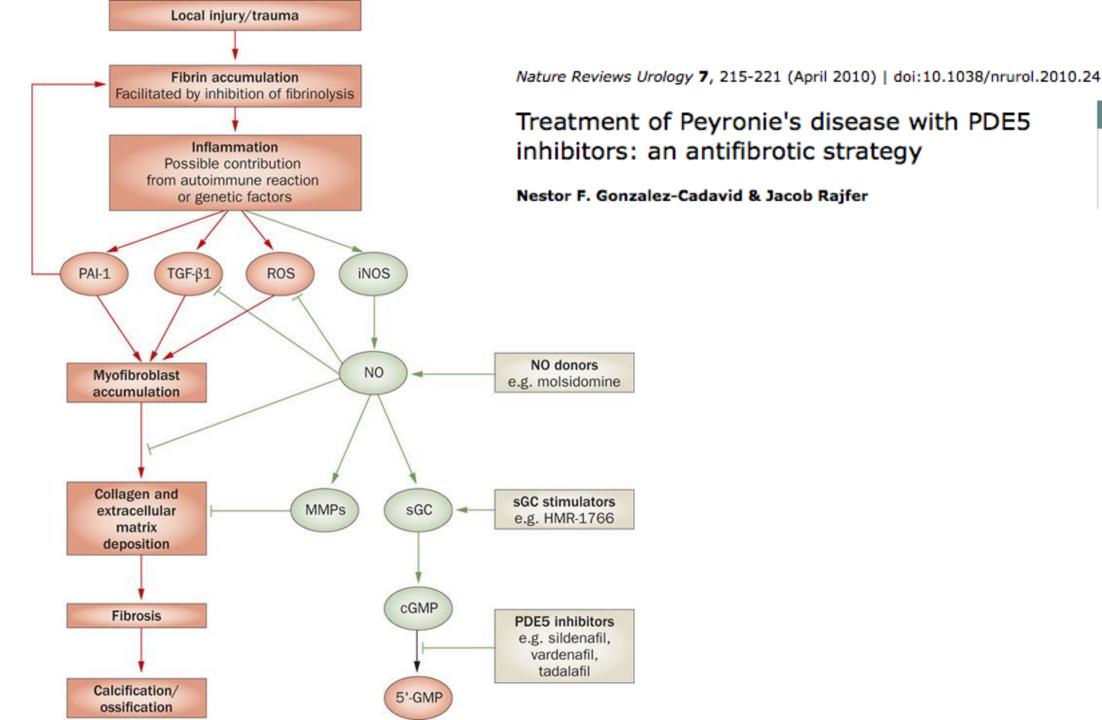
#### Nitric Oxide

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L-Arginine and phosphodiesterase (PDE) inhibitors counteract fibrosis in the Peyronie's fibrotic plaque and related fibroblast cultures

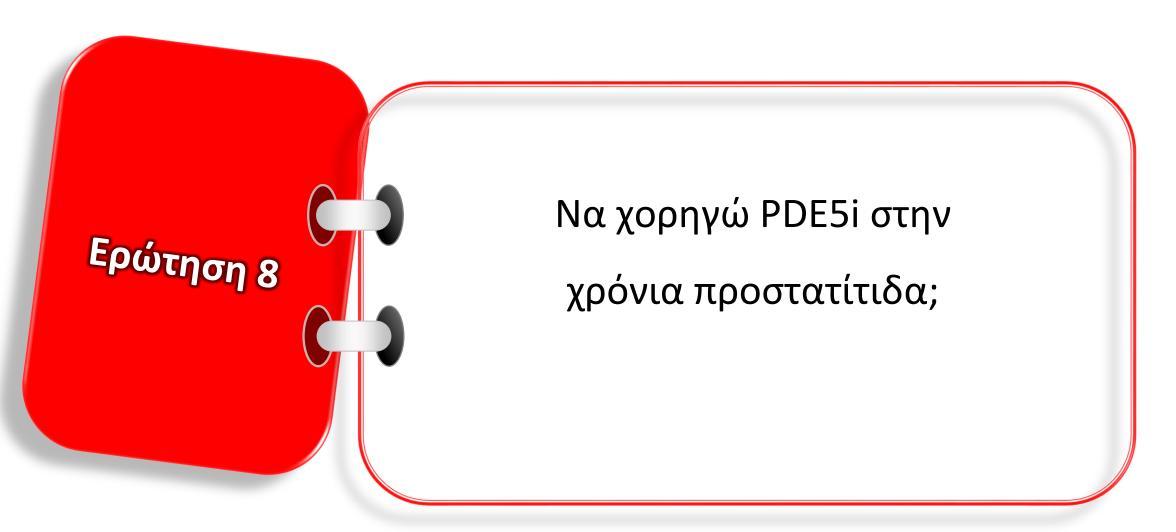
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# Treatment of Peyronie's disease with PDE5 inhibitors: an antifibrotic strategy

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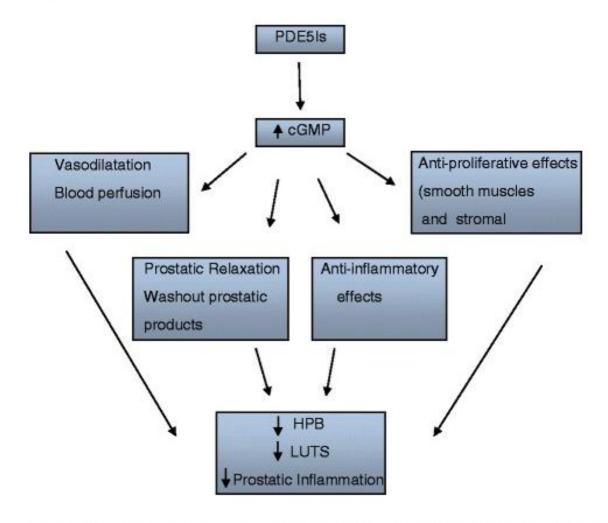
- 1. Peyronie's disease (PD) is a localized fibrotic condition of the tunica albuginea that is associated with risk factors for corpora cavernosa fibrosis (such as advanced age and diabetes) and Dupuytren contracture, another localized fibrotic process.
- 2. Most of the current pharmacological treatments for PD are not based on antifibrotic approaches that have shown promising results in animal models and clinical efficacy in other fibrotic conditions, which may explain why they are generally unsuccessful.
- 3. Evidence gathered in human specimens and animal models of PD have elucidated aspects of its etiology and histopathology, showing that overexpression of transforming growth factor β1, plasminogen activator inhibitor 1, reactive oxygen species and other profibrotic factors, which are, in most cases, assumed to be induced by trauma to the tunica albuginea, leads to myofibroblast accumulation and excessive deposition of collagen.
- 4. At the same time, a steady overexpression of inducible nitric oxide synthase, leading to increased nitric oxide and cGMP levels, seems to act as an endogenous antifibrotic mechanism.
- 5. This process has also been reported in corporal and cardiovascular fibrosis, and has led to the demonstration that long-term continuous administration of phosphodiesterase type 5 inhibitors counteracts the development of a PD-like fibrotic plaque in a rat model, and later extended to the prevention of corporal fibrosis in animal models of erectile dysfunction.



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- 1. PDE5Is are therapeutical tools used for several urological and non-urological disorders, and experimental evidence suggest that their chronic use does not induce cellular and molecular prostatic alterations.
- 2. The mechanisms involved in improvements observed in BPH/LUTS possibly include relaxation of the smooth muscles of the bladder and prostate by NO/cGMPc signaling or via improving RhoA/Rho-kinase (ROCK), and by reduction of the hyperactivity of the autonomic nervous system.
- 3. PDE5Is can also direct and indirectly down-regulate prostatic inflammation/BPH/LUTS by inducing high levels of cGMP.
- 4. In conclusion, since inflammation is a major factor in benign prostatic hyperplasia (BPH) progression, PDE5Is could also restore prostatic function, as they act as potent anti-inflammatory drugs.

Fig. 1



Schematic diagram showing the hypothetical mechanism of Phosphodiesterase 5 Inhibitors (PDE5Is) on prostatic inflammation. PDE5Is can direct and indirectly down-regulate prostatic inflammation/BPH/LUTS by inducing high levels of cGMP

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# Daily phosphodiesterase type 5 inhibitor therapy: a new treatment option for prostatitis/prostatodynia?

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In addition to the symptom of pelvic pain, men with chronic abacterial prostatitis/prostatodynia also frequently complain of associated LUTS and ejaculatory discomfort. Consequently treatment with tadalafil at a dose of 5 mg/day for a period of time would seem logical. It could be surmised that many of its beneficial effects might stem from an improvement of blood flow to pelvic organs as a consequence of its anti-inflammatory and vasodilatory activity, as well as a relaxant effect on smooth muscle, as has been previously suggested in the case of LUTS by Andersson and others [6–8].

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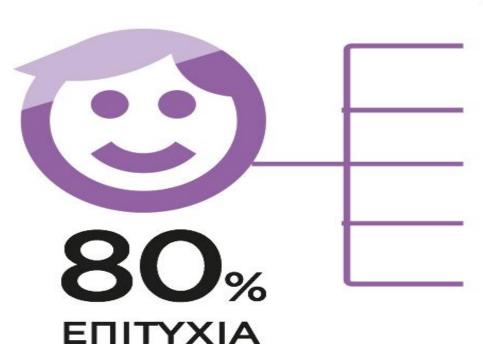
Clearly the hypothesis that daily treatment with a PDE5 inhibitor might be beneficial in men with the prevalent condition of chronic abacterial prostatitis/prostatodynia will need to be formally tested in the context of a randomised controlled trial. If the results of such a study were to prove positive, the quality of life of very many sufferers of this disorder might be significantly improved. One might also speculate that it could provide a concomitant benefit to the partners of these often very unhappy men.



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