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# PROTON PUMP INHIBITOR'S ADVERSE EFFECTS – FACTS OR FICTION?

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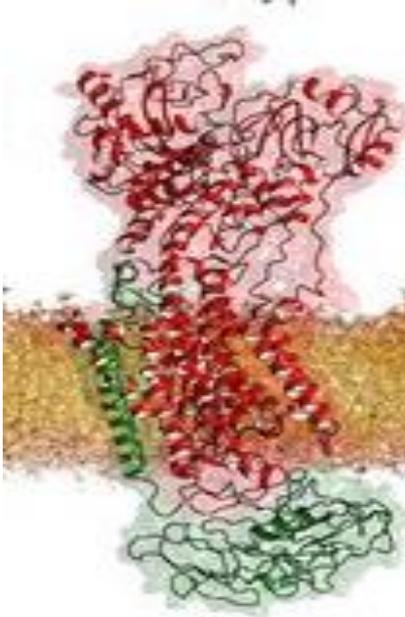
# PROTON PUMP INHIBITOR USE: SYSTEMATIC REVIEW OF GLOBAL TRENDS AND PRACTICES

- 28 millions of treated pts (23 countries, 65 studies)
- F/M – 56% vs. 44%
- 23.4% of „western“ population uses PPI
- 2/3 – high dose
- 25% > 1y
- 28% > 3y
- 25%-70% - inappropriate prescription

Gastroprotection <sup>a</sup>	5,527,135 (28.6%)
Dyspepsia/GERD	1,662,931 (8.6%)
Gastritis/duodenitis	254,351 (1.3%)
Ulcer/GI bleeding	232,026 (1.2%)
<i>H. pylori</i> infection	184,802 (1.0%)
BO/ZE syndrome	9755 (0.1%)
<u>Uncertain/unknown indication</u>	2,819,786 (14.6%)
Other	101,077 (0.6%)
<u>Not reported</u>	8,310,345 (43.3%)

# MULTIPLE „TARGETS“ OF PPI

**H<sup>+</sup>/K<sup>+</sup> ATPase**



**V-ATPase**



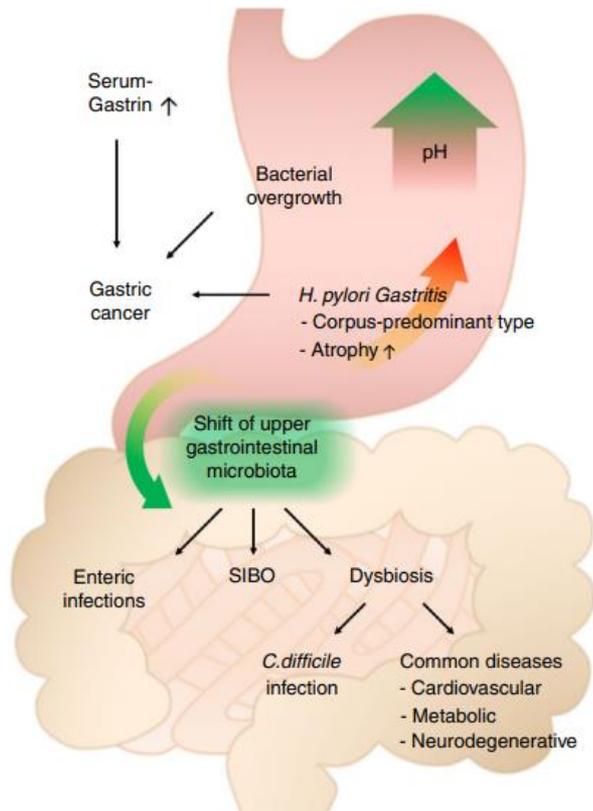
- lysosomes
- tubular epithelia
- osteoclasts

**bi-valent cation transport**



- tubular epithelia
- enterocytes (Mg<sup>2+</sup>, Ca<sup>2+</sup>)

# PPI USE CONSEQUENCES – POSSIBLE MECHANISMS OF ADVERSE EVENTS



- Impaired antimicrobial barrier (infections)
- Dysbiosis (*C. diff.*, SIBO)
- Progression of *H. pylori*-induced atrophic gastritis
- Hypergastrinaemia (EC-like cell hyperplasia)
- Malabsorption of:
  - Vitamin B12 (ataxia, falls)
  - Calcium (osteopenia, fractures)
  - Magnesium (endothelial dysfunction, oxidative stress, reduced glomerular filtration)
- PPI metabolite deposition in tubular interstitia (interstitial nephritis, AKI)

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- multicenter, double-blind, randomized placebo-controlled
- patients with stable atherosclerotic vascular disease
  - rivaroxaban, aspirin
  - ± pantoprazole
- CV events (death, MI, stroke)
- other predefined events
- 17 598 pts, FU 3y, 53 152 pt/y of FU



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**Conclusion:** No association of PPI use with any long-term harm, except for enteric infections

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**RCTs are the gold standard for evaluation of treatment efficacy, but...**

**- they are usually underpowered to detect uncommon adverse events...**

**- and too short to detect long-term adverse events**

# RISK OF DEATH AMONG USERS OF PROTON PUMP INHIBITORS: A LONGITUDINAL OBSERVATIONAL COHORT STUDY OF UNITED STATES VETERANS

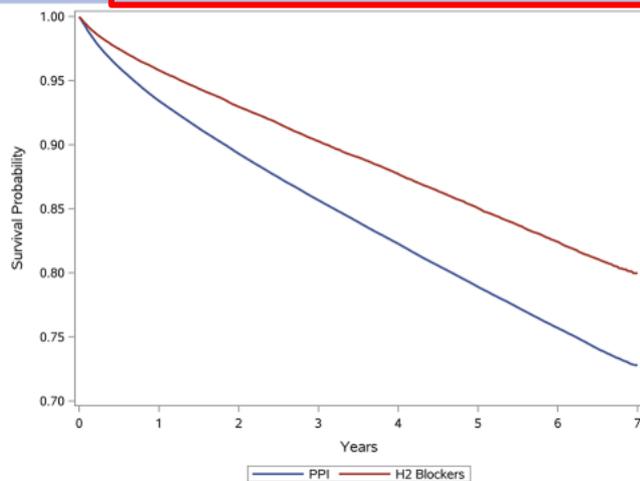
- Longitudinal observational cohort study
- Primary cohort: new users of PPI or H2 blockers (n=349 312)
- Additional cohorts:
  - PPI versus no PPI (n=3 288 092);
  - PPI versus no PPI and no H2 blockers (n=2 887 030).
- Median FU – 5.7 years

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## Association between PPI and death

PPI use vs H2 blockers use  
(n=349312)

	Reference	PPI use
Incident rate (95% CI)	3.32 (3.25 to 3.39)	4.67 (4.64 to 4.71)
Unadjusted HR (95% CI)	1	1.46 (1.43 to 1.49)
Adjusted HR (95% CI)	1	1.25 (1.23 to 1.28)



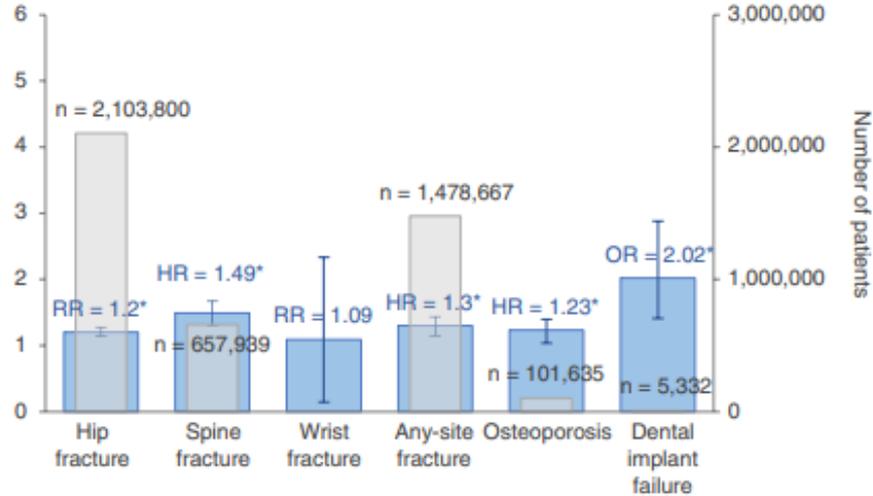
**Figure 1** Survival curves for PPI and H2 blockers. PPI, proton pump inhibitor.

# UMBRELLA REVIEW OF 42 SYSTEMATIC REVIEWS WITH META-ANALYSES: THE SAFETY OF PROTON PUMP INHIBITORS

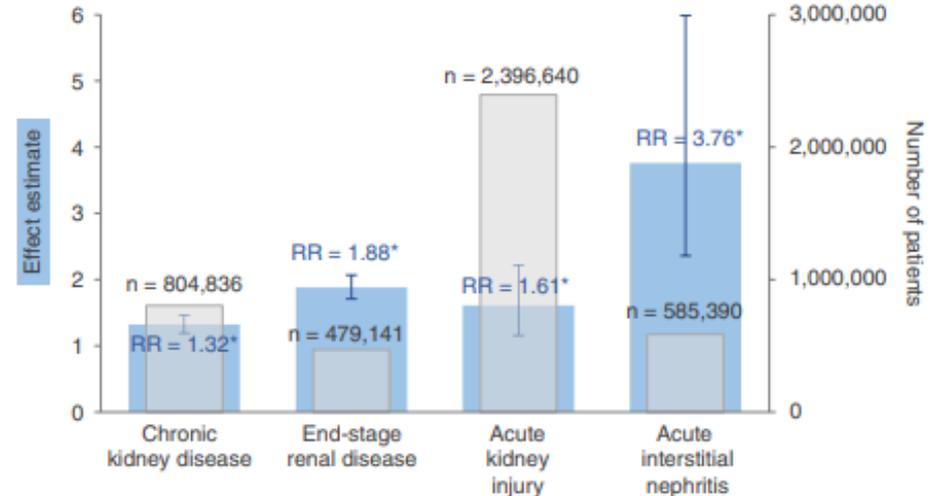
- Sample sizes varied widely
  - from 475 pts to 7.6 million pts
  - most meta-analyses assessed over 100 000 patients and several included at least 1 million patients.
- Most data from observational studies
- Assessment based on organ system

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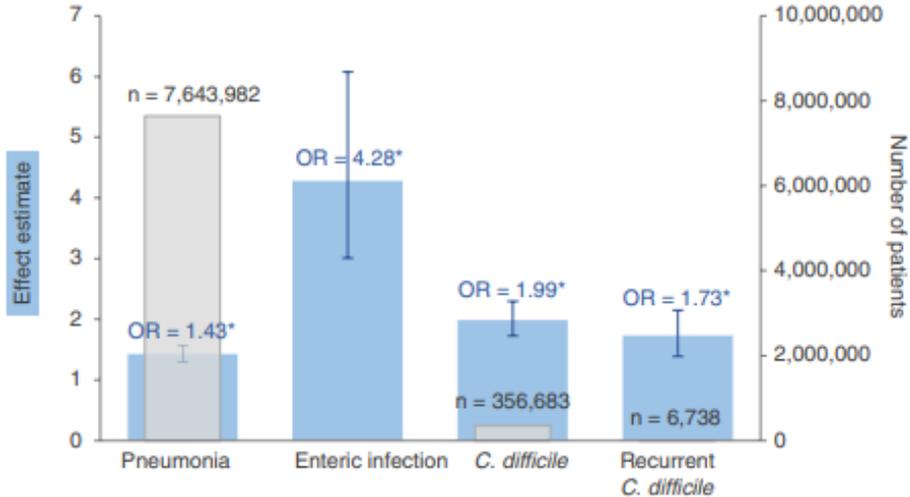


(B) Kidney-related outcomes



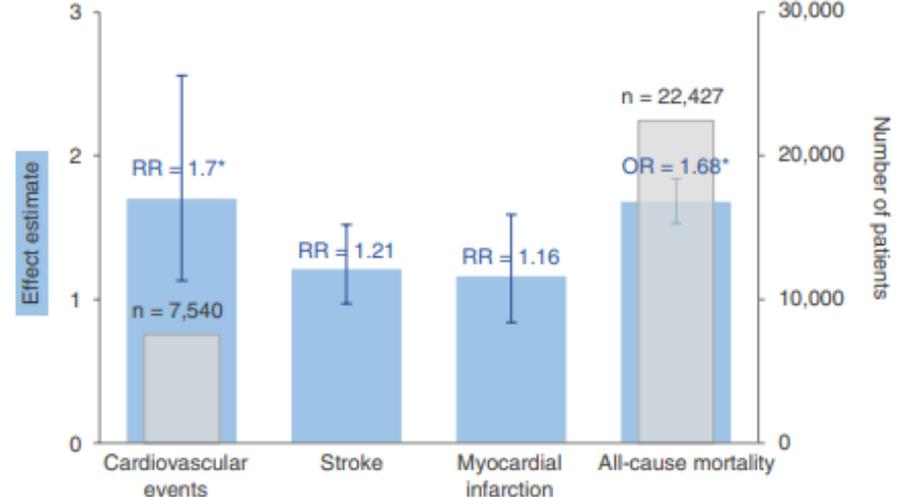
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(C) Infection outcomes



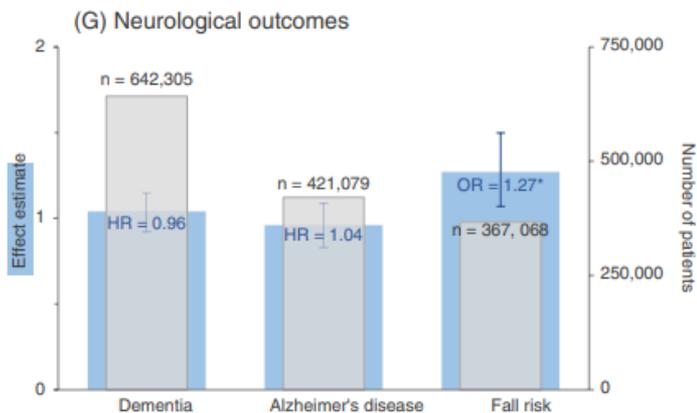
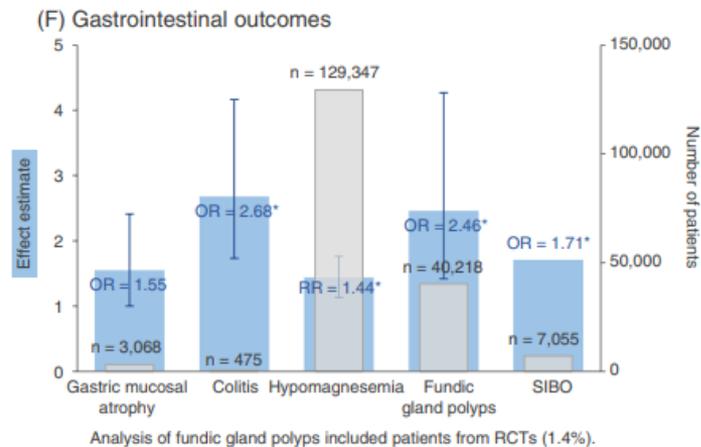
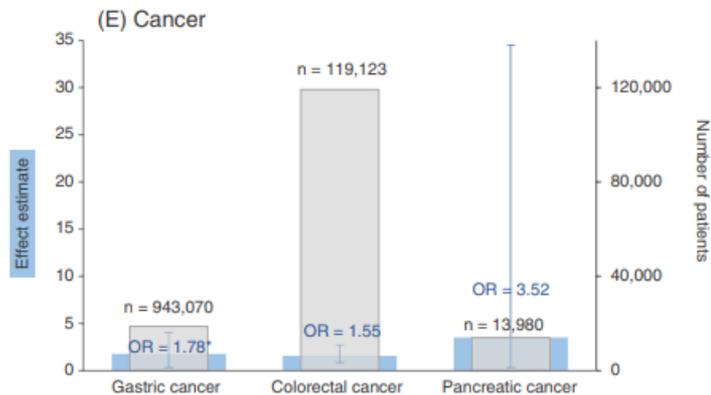
Analysis of pneumoniawas informed by 10 RCTs and 48 observational studies.

(D) Cardiovascular and mortality outcomes



Analysis of cardiovascular events was informed by RCT evidence only.

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# Association of proton-pump inhibitor use with adverse health outcomes: A systematic umbrella review of meta-analyses of cohort studies and randomised controlled trials

## Criteria for quality of evidence classification in meta-analysis of observational studies

Category	Criteria
Convincing (class I)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Number of cases &gt;1000</li><li>• <math>P &lt; 10^{-6}</math></li><li>• <math>I^2 &lt; 50\%</math></li><li>• Largest component study reporting a nominal statistically significant result (<math>P &lt; .05</math>)</li><li>• 95% prediction interval excluding the null</li><li>• No small-study effects</li><li>• No excess significance bias</li><li>• Survived 10% credibility ceiling test</li></ul>
Highly suggestive (class II)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Number of cases &gt;1000</li><li>• <math>P &lt; 10^{-6}</math></li><li>• Largest study with a statistically significant effect (<math>P &lt; .05</math>)</li></ul>
Suggestive (class III)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Number of cases &gt;1000</li><li>• <math>P &lt; 10^{-3}</math></li></ul>
Weak (class IV)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <math>P &lt; .05</math></li></ul>
Nonsignificant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <math>P &gt; .05</math></li></ul>

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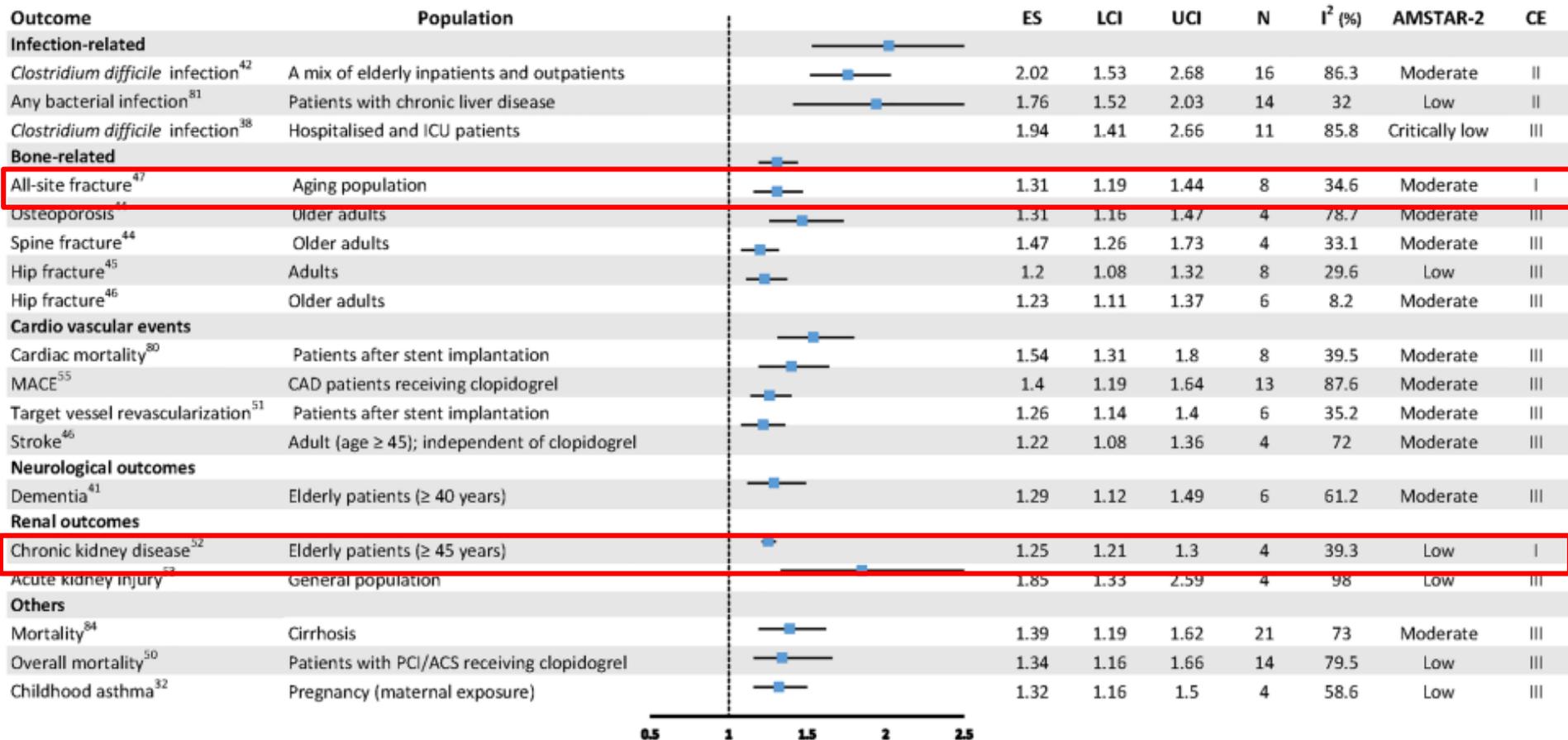


Figure 1 | Proton Pump Inhibitor (PPI) Deprescribing Algorithm

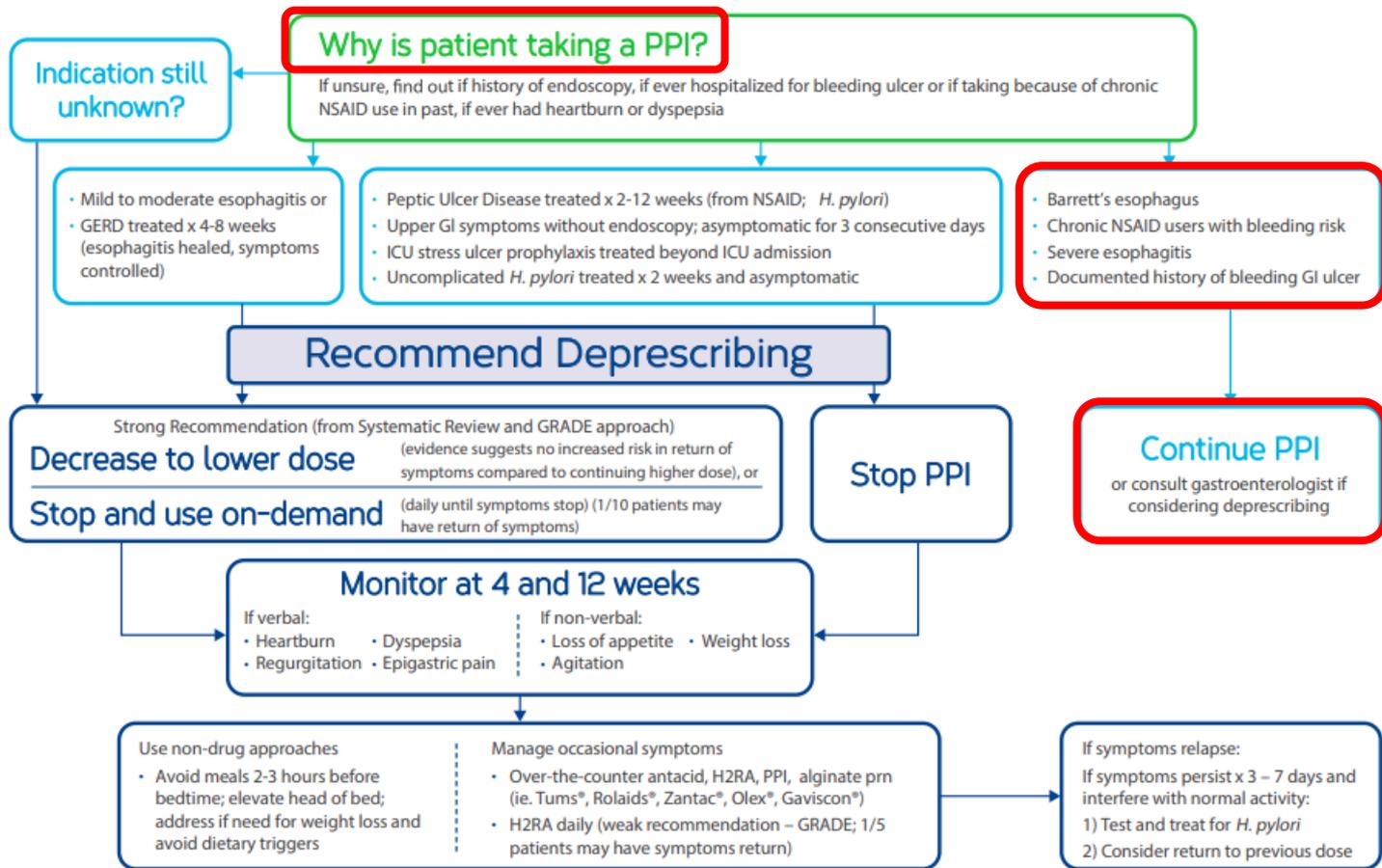
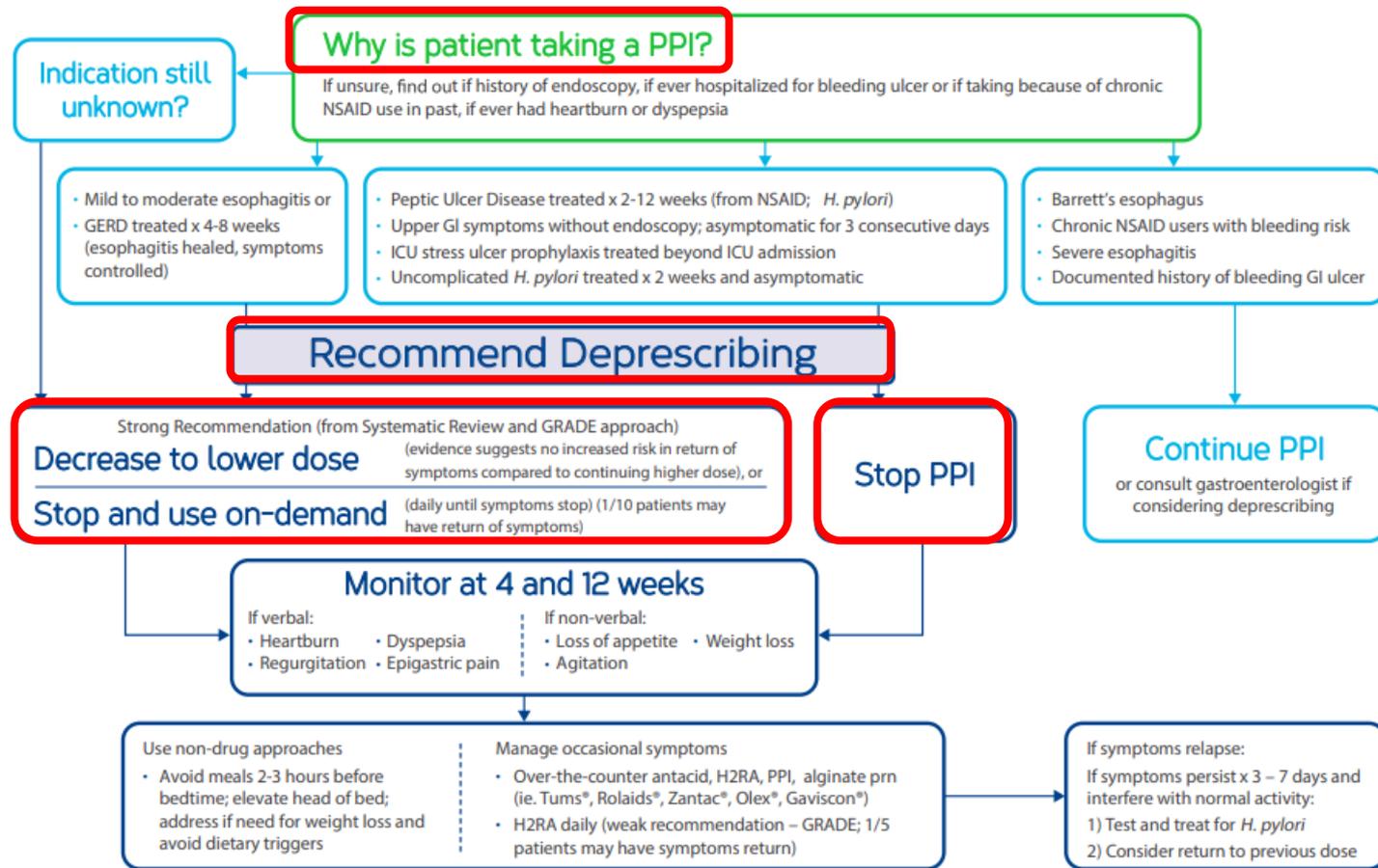


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## CONCLUSION

1. Association between PPI use and adverse outcomes is fact rather than fiction
2. Observational, cohort studies >> RCT
3. Bone-related, kidney-related and infections – most important AE
4. Limitations – data sources
5. Deprescribe PPI when no indication exists