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Epidemiological challenge of stroke

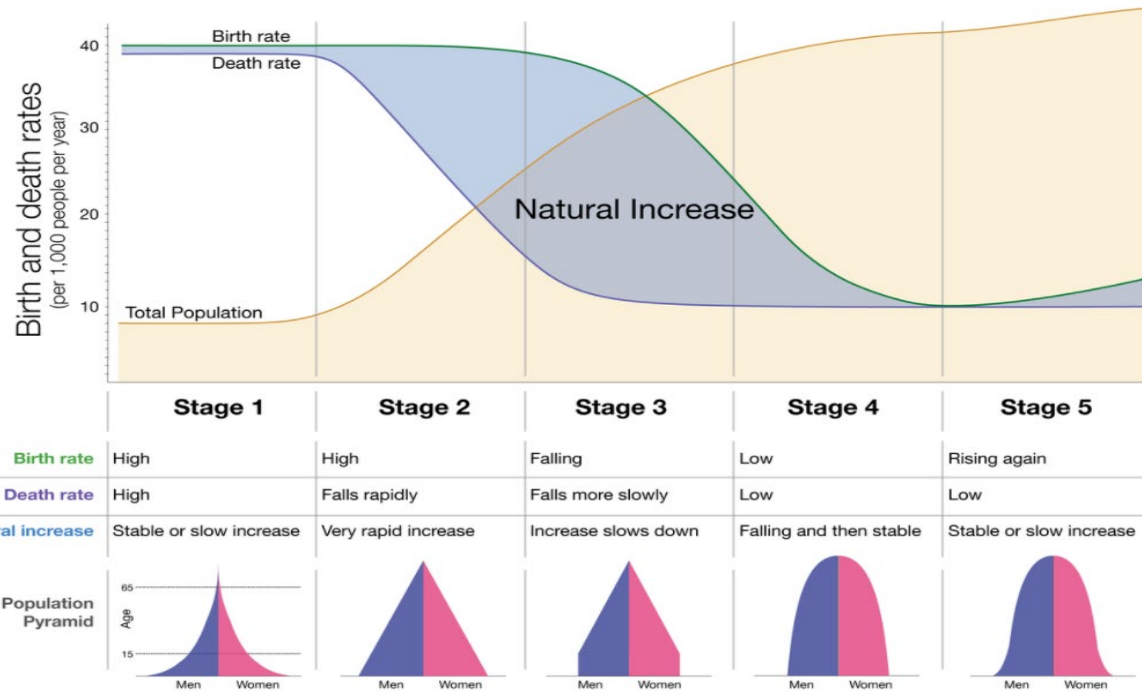
Leading causes of global DALYs Worldwide

GDB, Lancet. 2024:S0140-6736(24)00757-8.

Leading causes, 2010	DALY count (millions)	Leading causes, 2020	DALY count (millions)	Leading causes, 2021	DALY count (millions)
1 Neonatal disorders	236.3 (218.9–256.4)	1 Neonatal disorders	192.6 (168.2–220.6)	1 COVID-19	212.0 (198.0–234.5)
2 Ischaemic heart disease	159.9 (153.8–164.9)	2 Ischaemic heart disease	185.1 (175.2–194.5)	2 Ischaemic heart disease	188.3 (176.7–198.3)
3 Stroke	144.3 (137.3–150.3)	3 Stroke	158.2 (146.4–168.8)	3 Neonatal disorders	186.3 (162.3–214.9)
4 Lower respiratory infections	127.3 (115.4–140.0)	4 COVID-19	123.4 (116.3–132.5)	4 Stroke	160.4 (148.0–171.7)
5 Diarrhoeal diseases	104.1 (86.7–123.2)	5 Lower respiratory infections	88.2 (78.1–99.4)	5 Lower respiratory infections	82.5 (72.9–93.2)
6 Road injuries	74.3 (70.9–78.4)	6 COPD	78.4 (72.1–84.3)	6 COPD	79.8 (74.0–86.0)
7 HIV/AIDS	67.8 (60.4–78.3)	7 Diabetes	76.5 (64.9–92.2)	7 Diabetes	78.9 (66.8–94.5)
8 Congenital birth defects	67.5 (55.9–82.5)	8 Low back pain	69.3 (49.5–92.8)	8 Other COVID-19 outcomes	77.4 (59.7–101.9)
9 COPD	67.0 (62.9–70.5)	9 Road injuries	65.1 (61.0–69.8)	9 Low back pain	70.2 (50.2–94.1)
10 Malaria	66.4 (37.7–105.9)	10 Diarrhoeal diseases	61.6 (49.6–75.5)	10 Road injuries	65.1 (60.7–69.8)

Epidemiological challenge of stroke

Ongoing demographic transition

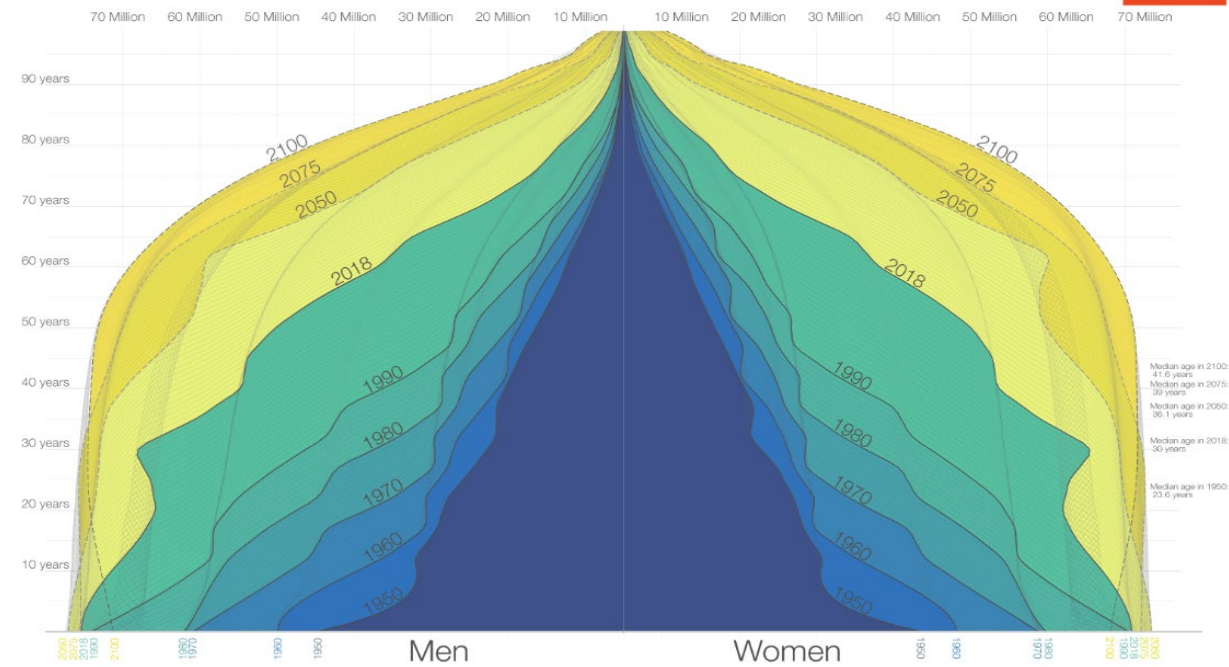


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The Demography of the World Population from 1950 to 2100

Shown is the age distribution of the world population – by sex – from 1950 to 2018 and the UN Population Division's projection until 2100.

Our World
in Data



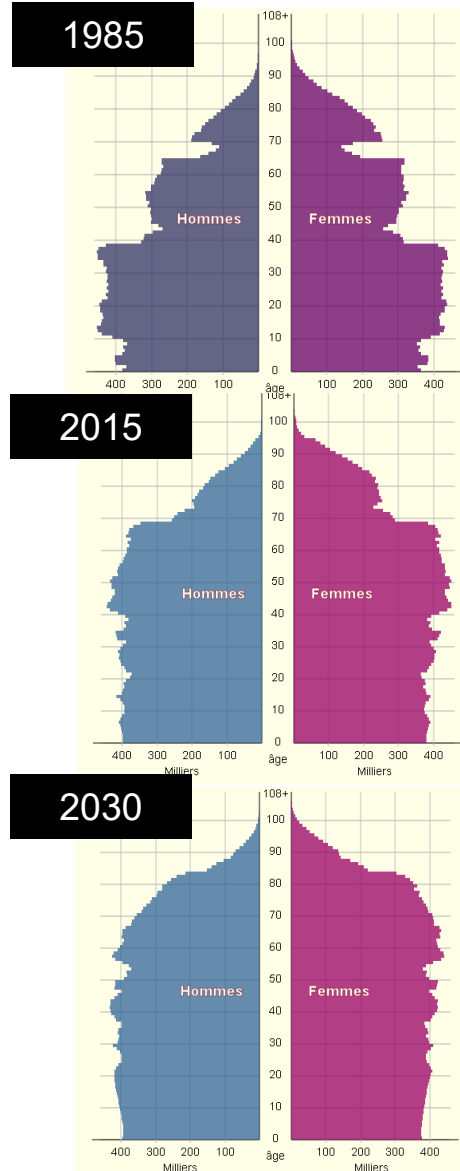
Data source: United Nations Population Division – World Population Prospects 2017; Medium Variant.

The data visualization is available at [OurWorldInData.org](https://www.ourworldindata.org), where you find more research on how the world is changing and why.

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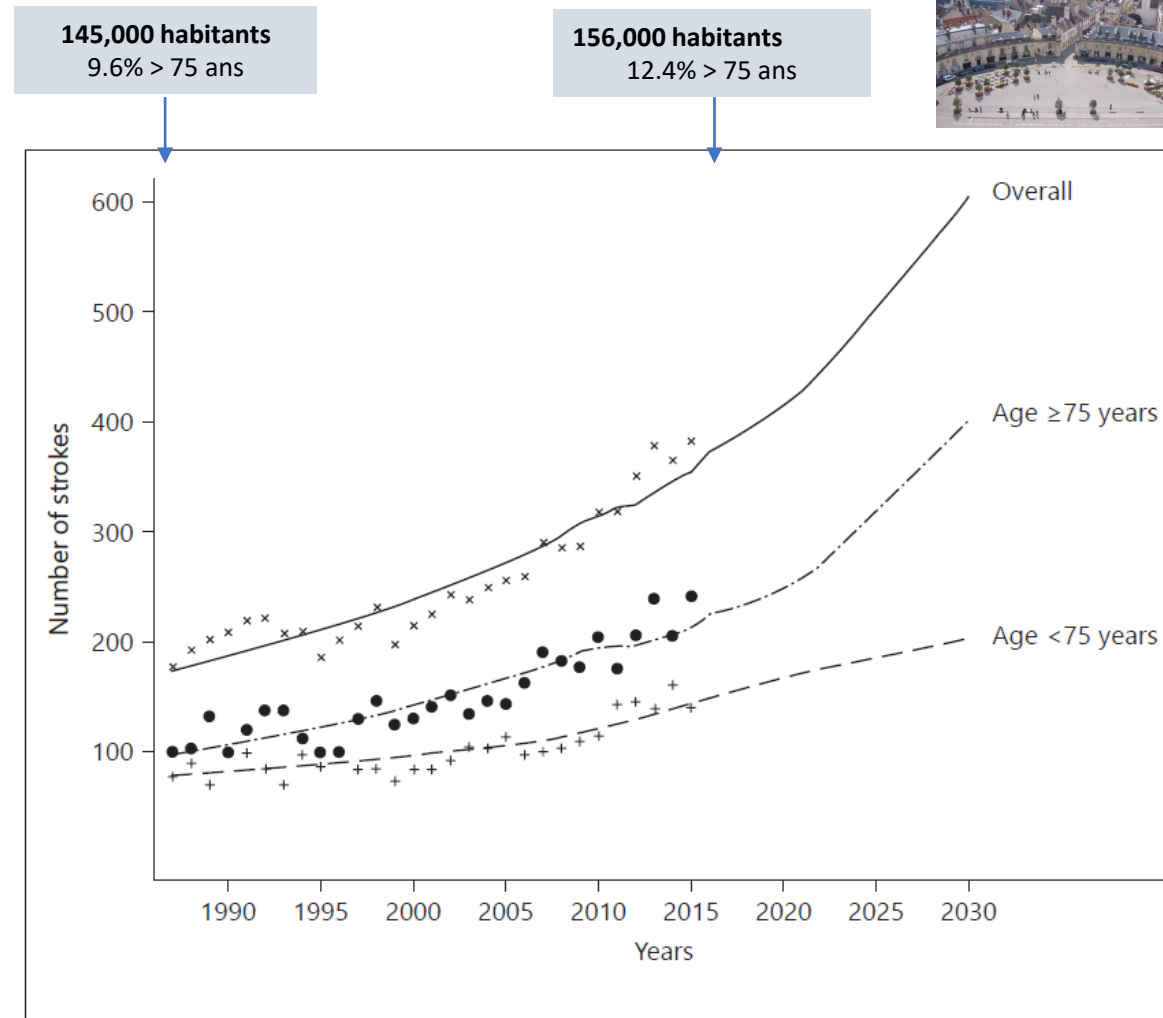
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Age distribution in France



Dijon Stroke Registry

Béjot Y, Neuroepidemiology 2019;52:78–85

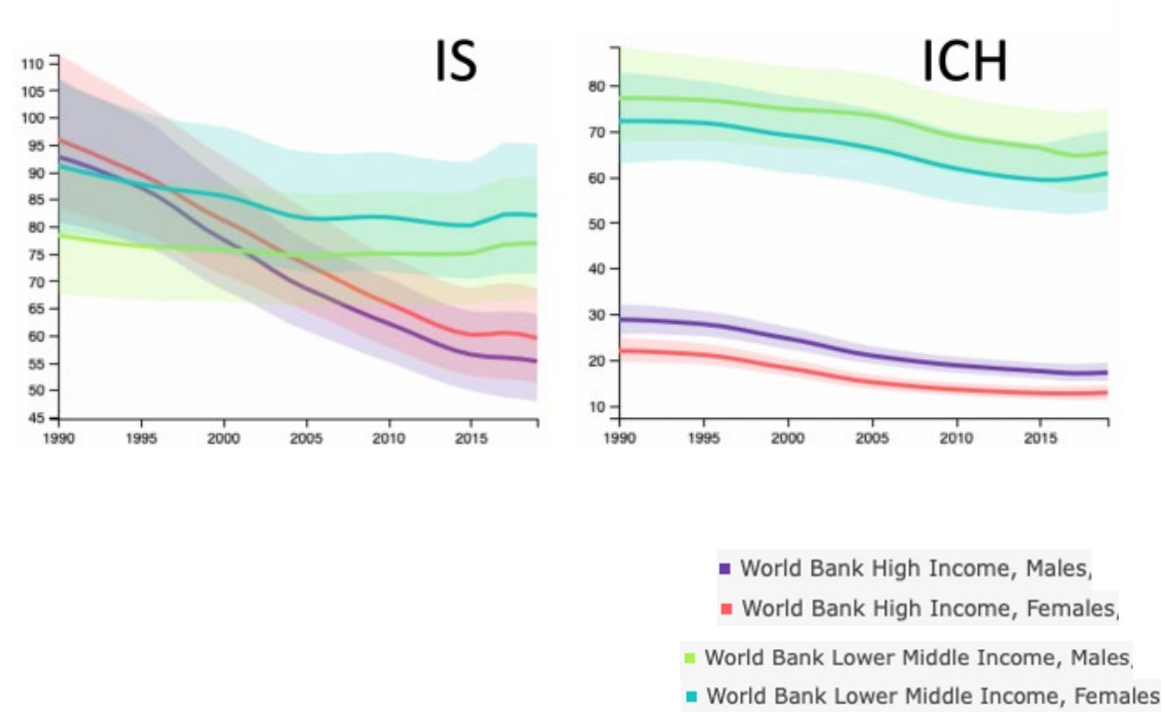


An expected **50% increase** in the total number of stroke between 2010 and 2030

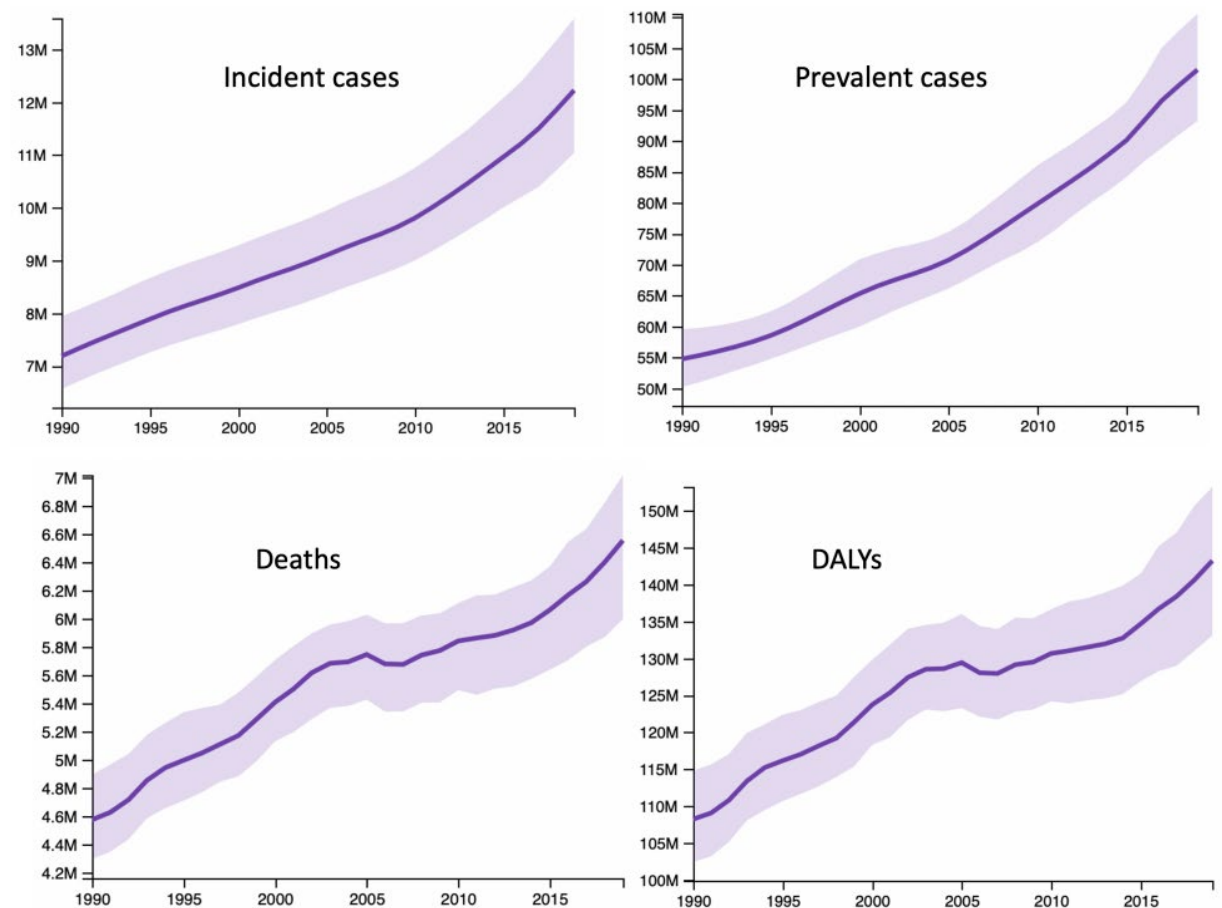


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Age-standardized incidence rates



Absolute numbers



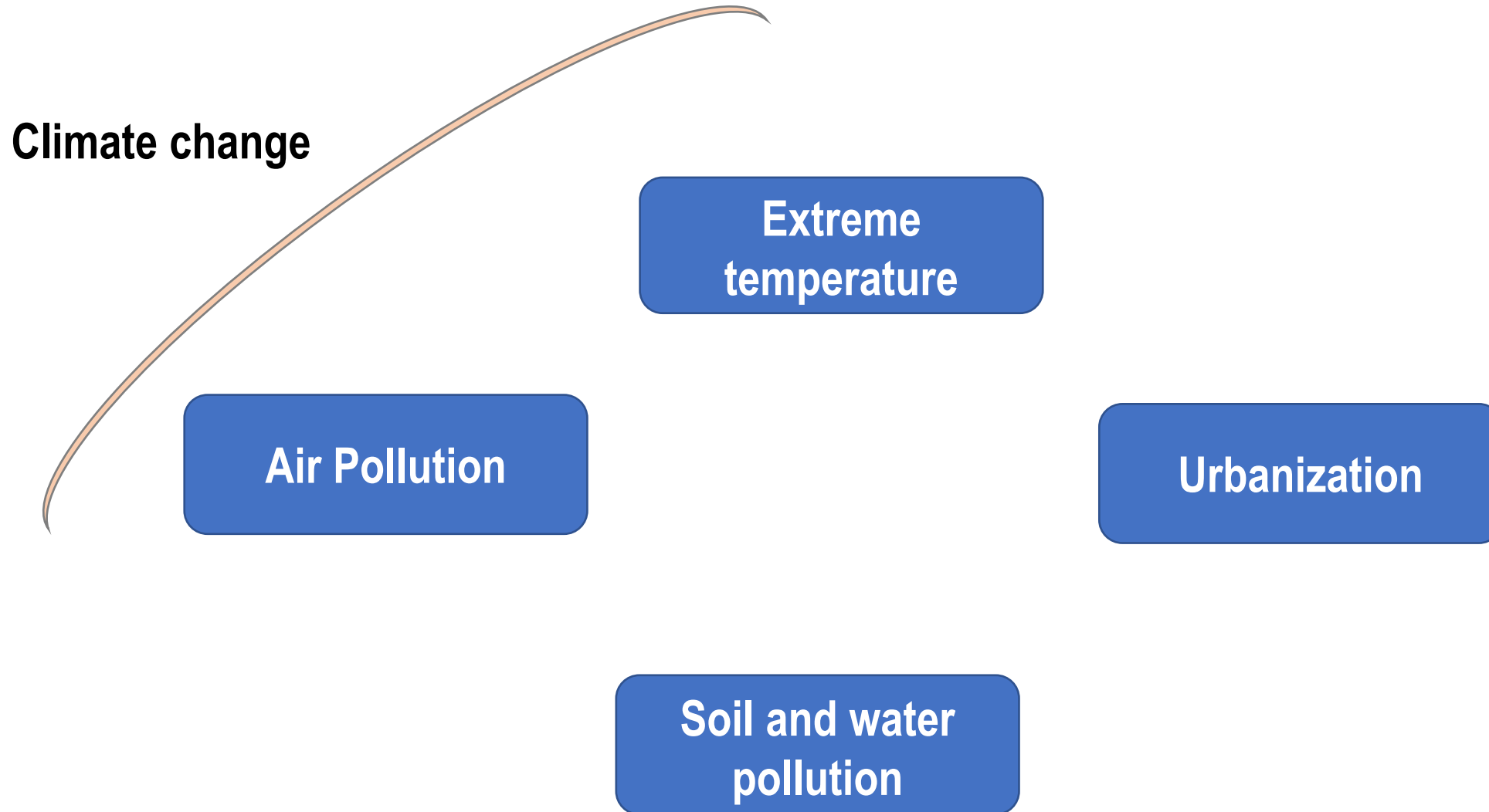
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By 2050:

- 200 million stroke survivors
- 30 million new strokes each year
- 12 million deaths from stroke each year
- ... and 150 million people with dementia and 5 million deaths from dementia each year

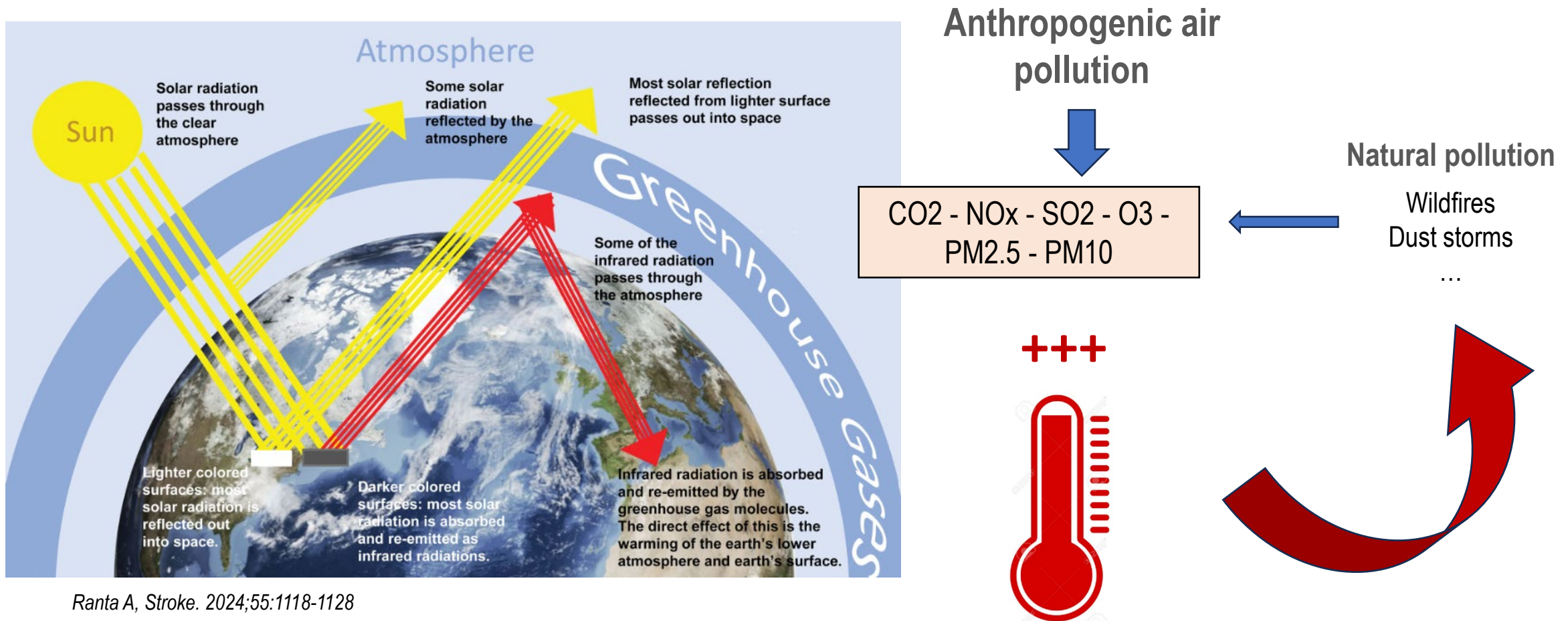


Environmental factors of stroke - overview



Relationship between climate change, pollution and temperature

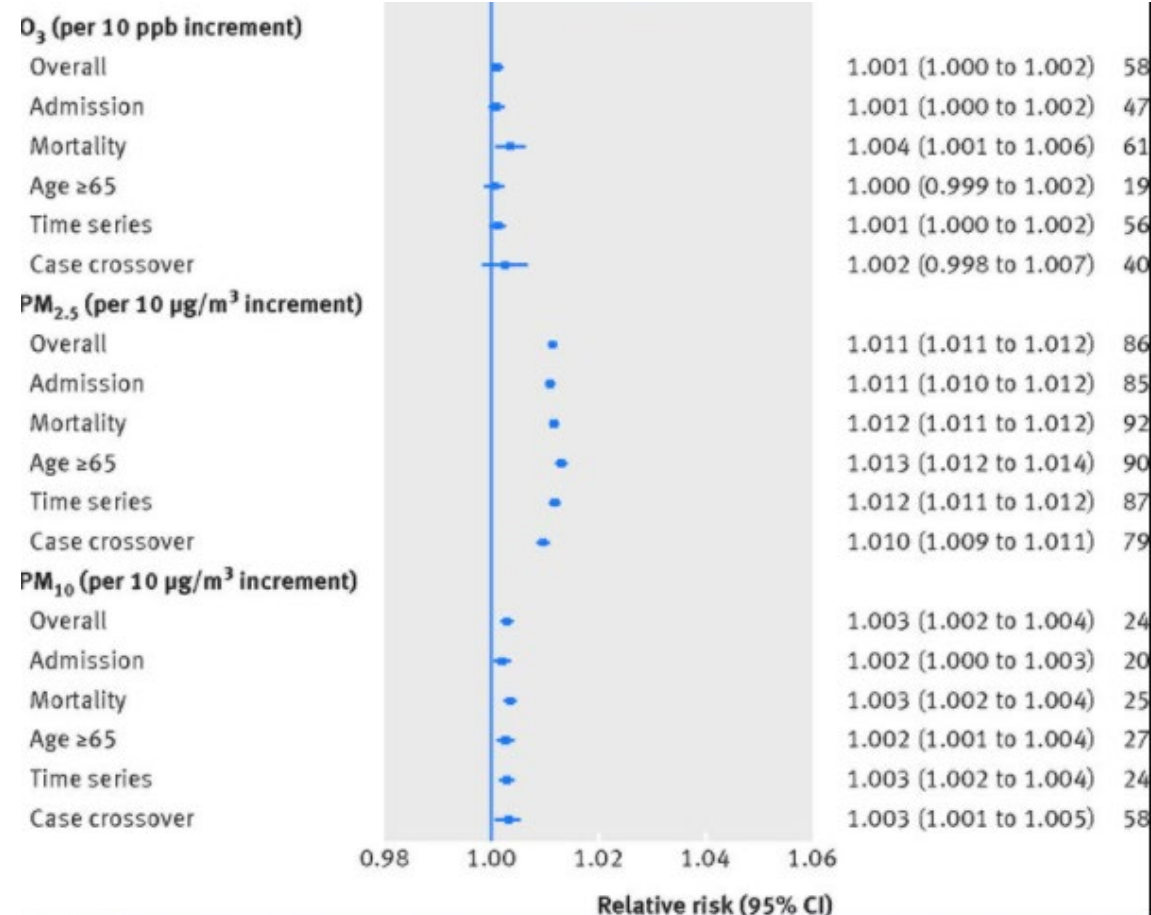
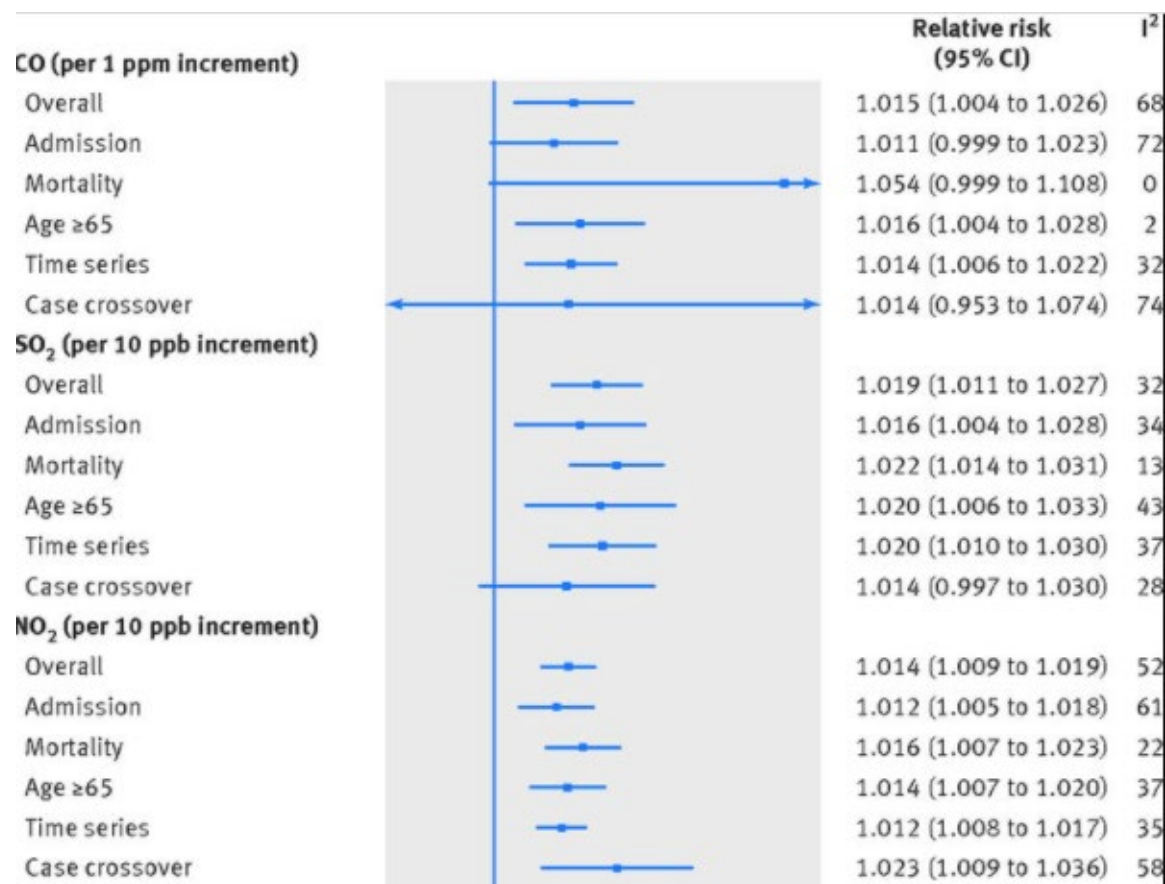
Increase in greenhouse gas emissions is the main driver of climate change



Ambient air pollution and stroke

Short-term exposure

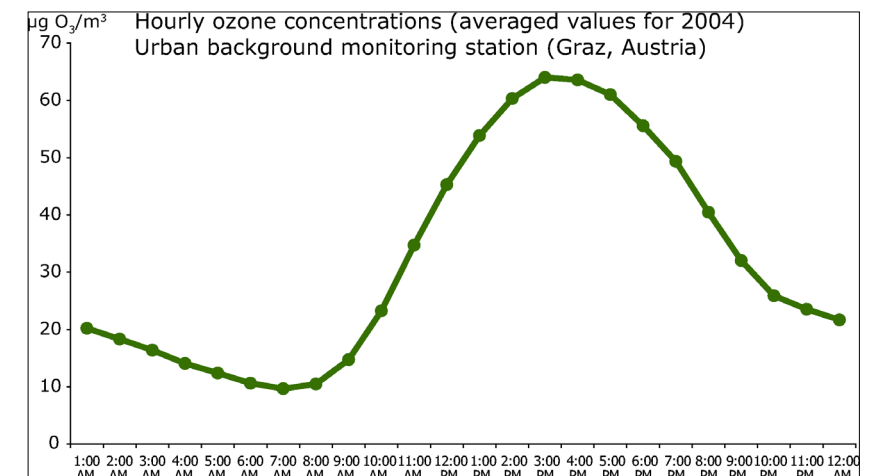
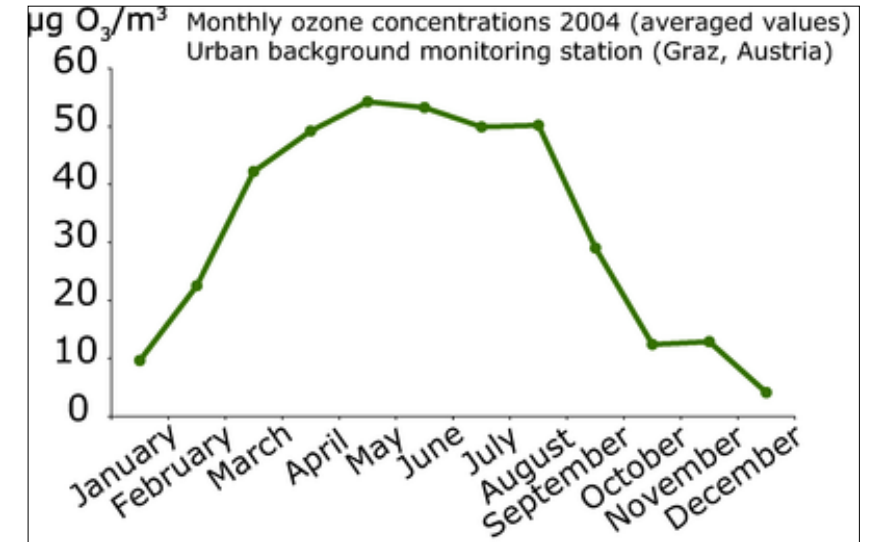
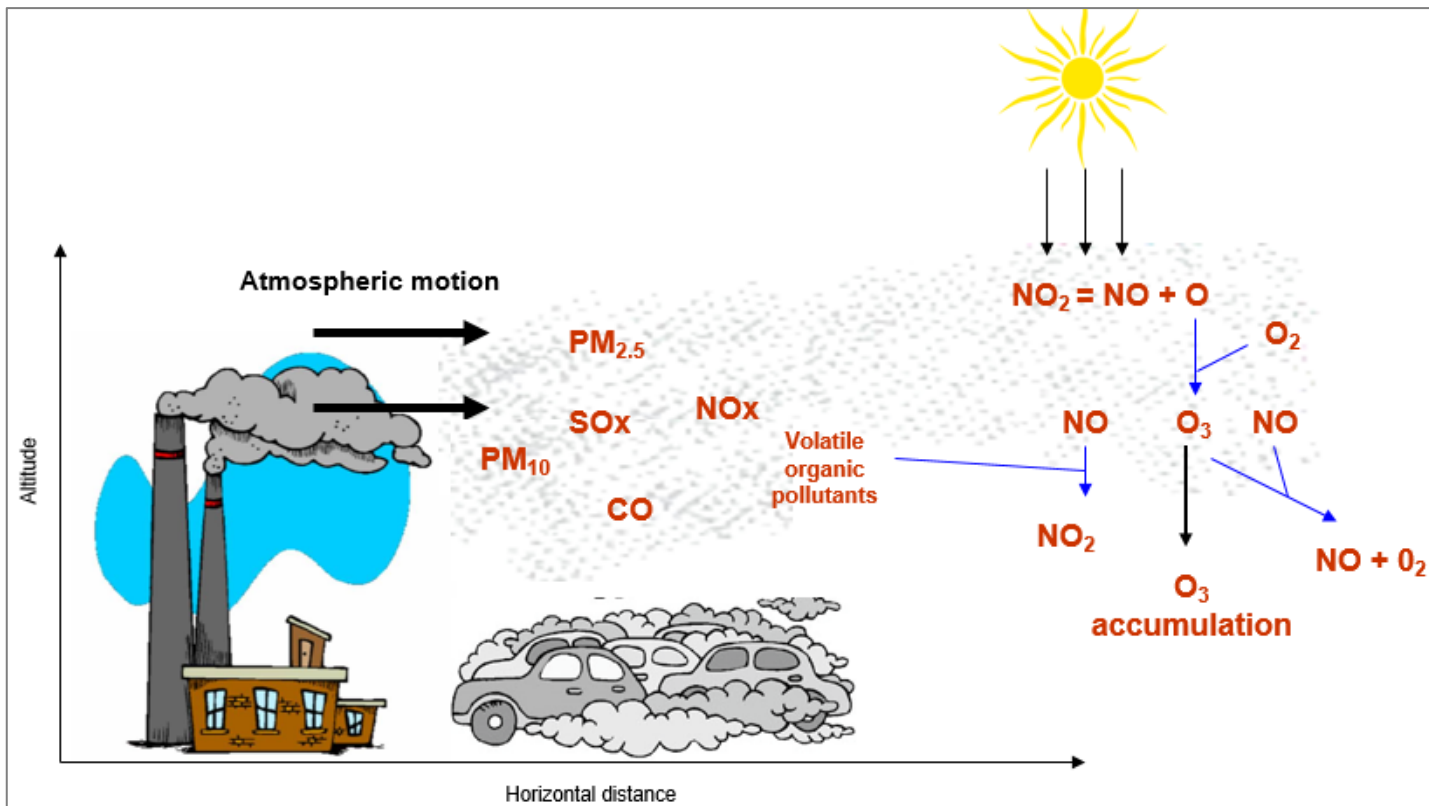
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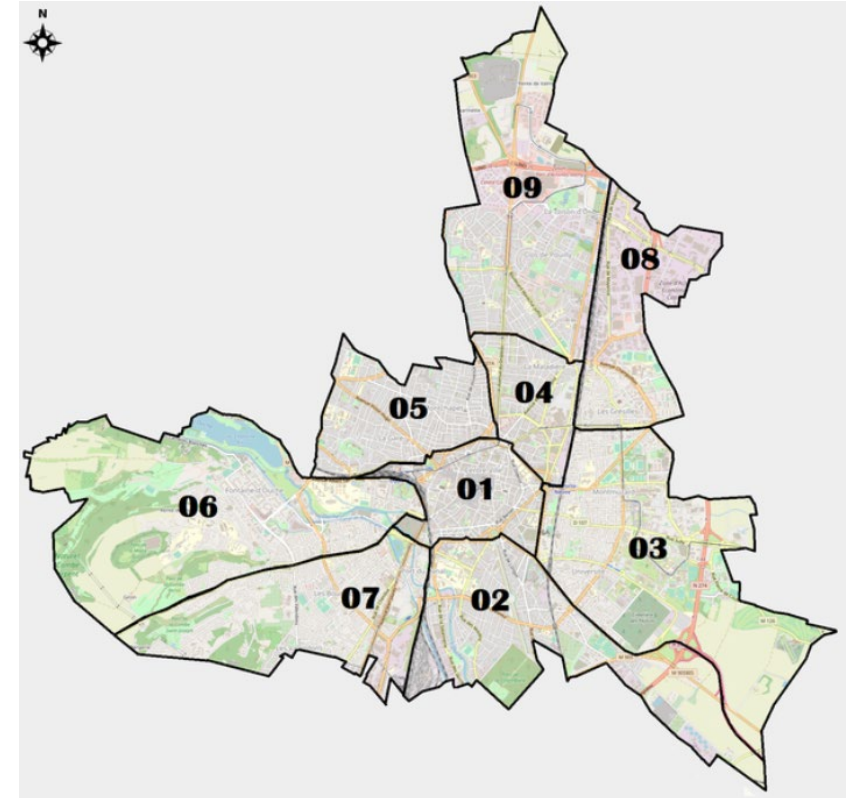
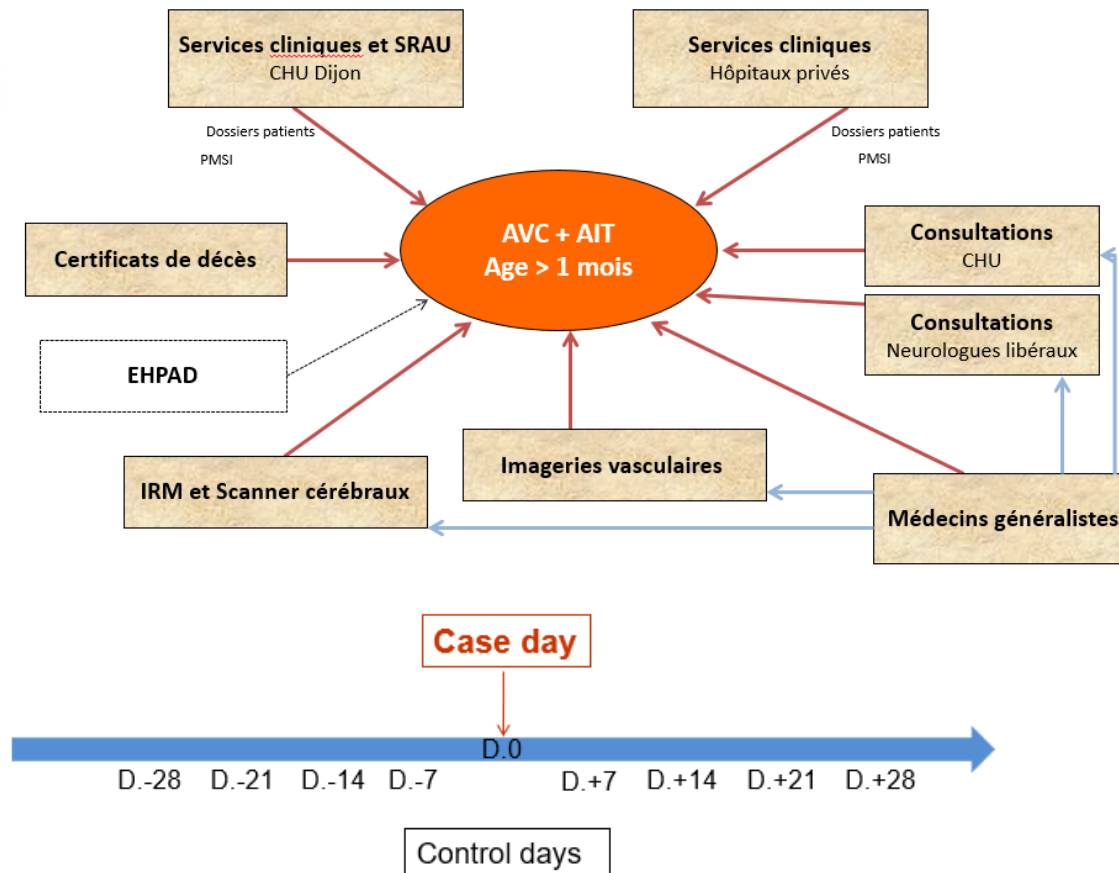


Source: European Environment Agency

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Béjot Y, Cerebrovasc Dis 2011;32:589–613

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Henrotin JB, Occup Environ Med 2007;64:439-45

Association between air pollutants and the occurrence of stroke

Pollutants	Ischaemic stroke (women and men), n = 1487		Haemorrhagic stroke (women and men), n = 220		Ischaemic stroke (men), n = 689		Ischaemic stroke (women), n = 798	
	ORa (95% CI)	p Value	ORa (95% CI)	p Value	ORa (95% CI)	p Value	ORa (95% CI)	p Value
SO ₂								
D0	0.978 (0.868 to 1.103)	0.72	1.099 (0.815 to 1.483)	0.53	0.900 (0.748 to 1.081)	0.26	1.044 (0.892 to 1.222)	0.58
D-1	0.978 (0.863 to 1.108)	0.73	1.014 (0.747 to 1.376)	0.92	0.981 (0.813 to 1.183)	0.84	0.975 (0.824 to 1.153)	0.77
D-2	1.015 (0.902 to 1.143)	0.79	0.961 (0.712 to 1.297)	0.79	1.109 (0.935 to 1.315)	0.23	0.939 (0.797 to 1.106)	0.45
D-3	1.003 (0.892 to 1.127)	0.95	0.954 (0.729 to 1.248)	0.73	1.033 (0.862 to 1.237)	0.72	0.981 (0.841 to 1.144)	0.80
NO _x								
D0	1.008 (0.956 to 1.062)	0.76	0.974 (0.845 to 1.122)	0.71	1.002 (0.925 to 1.084)	0.95	1.013 (0.943 to 1.087)	0.71
D-1	0.966 (0.915 to 1.019)	0.21	1.015 (0.887 to 1.162)	0.82	0.939 (0.866 to 1.018)	0.12	0.987 (0.919 to 1.061)	0.73
D-2	0.996 (0.945 to 1.050)	0.90	0.975 (0.851 to 1.117)	0.72	1.013 (0.938 to 1.094)	0.73	0.982 (0.913 to 1.055)	0.62
D-3	1.027 (0.975 to 1.082)	0.30	0.936 (0.816 to 1.074)	0.34	1.016 (0.941 to 1.097)	0.67	1.037 (0.966 to 1.114)	0.30
O ₃								
D0	1.046 (0.998 to 1.098)	0.059	1.012 (0.902 to 1.158)	0.73	1.058 (0.987 to 1.134)	0.10	1.036 (0.969 to 1.106)	0.29
D-1	1.075 (1.022 to 1.131)	0.005	0.974 (0.978 to 1.122)	0.75	1.133 (1.052 to 1.220)	0.001	1.027 (0.958 to 1.101)	0.44
D-2	1.012 (0.965 to 1.062)	0.60	0.958 (0.842 to 1.090)	0.51	1.020 (0.951 to 1.092)	0.57	1.006 (0.941 to 1.075)	0.85
D-3	0.987 (0.943 to 1.043)	0.60	0.970 (0.856 to 1.098)	0.63	1.000 (0.935 to 1.068)	1.00	0.976 (0.915 to 1.040)	0.46
CO								
D0	0.999 (0.997 to 1.001)	0.43	1.000 (0.996 to 1.004)	0.70	0.998 (0.995 to 1.000)	0.15	1.000 (0.998 to 1.002)	0.84
D-1	0.998 (0.997 to 1.000)	0.17	1.001 (0.997 to 1.005)	0.54	0.998 (0.995 to 1.000)	0.19	0.999 (0.997 to 1.001)	0.70
D-2	0.999 (0.998 to 1.001)	0.82	0.999 (0.995 to 1.004)	0.88	1.000 (0.997 to 1.002)	0.96	0.999 (0.997 to 1.001)	0.70
D-3	1.000 (0.998 to 1.001)	0.93	0.998 (0.994 to 1.002)	0.46	1.000 (0.998 to 1.003)	0.62	0.999 (0.997 to 1.002)	0.72
PM _{10.5}								
D0	1.009 (0.930 to 1.094)	0.82	0.901 (0.730 to 1.111)	0.33	0.973 (0.862 to 1.098)	0.66	1.040 (0.933 to 1.160)	0.47
D-1	1.011 (0.998 to 1.094)	0.77	1.014 (0.828 to 1.241)	0.85	0.969 (0.860 to 1.091)	0.60	1.047 (0.942 to 1.163)	0.39
D-2	0.960 (0.889 to 1.036)	0.30	1.100 (0.903 to 1.339)	0.34	0.981 (0.877 to 1.098)	0.74	0.941 (0.847 to 1.045)	0.26
D-3	0.990 (0.919 to 1.066)	0.79	0.991 (0.881 to 1.212)	0.93	0.985 (0.881 to 1.102)	0.80	0.993 (0.899 to 1.096)	0.89

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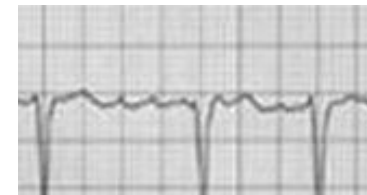
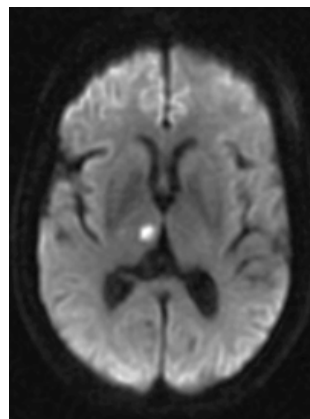
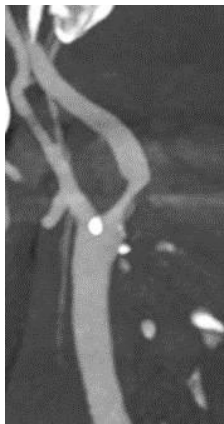
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Odds ratio between ischemic strokes subtypes and pollutant concentration from 1-day lag, **in men**

Pollutant	Ischaemic stroke: large arteries (n = 262)†		Ischaemic stroke: lacunar (n = 193)‡		Ischaemic stroke: cardioembolic (n = 208)§		Ischaemic stroke: transient ischaemic attacks (n = 172)¶	
	ORa (95% CI)	p Value	ORa (95% CI)	p Value	ORa (95% CI)	p Value	ORa (95% CI)	p Value
SO ₂	1.088 (0.785 to 1.508)	0.61	0.831 (0.605 to 1.412)	0.25	0.974 (0.707 to 1.344)	0.87	0.966 (0.659 to 1.416)	0.86
NO _x	0.988 (0.863 to 1.130)	0.20	0.896 (0.771 to 1.042)	0.15	1.028 (0.888 to 1.190)	0.70	0.860 (0.742 to 1.022)	0.09
O ₃	1.140 (1.013 to 1.288)	0.03	1.077 (0.931 to 1.245)	0.31	1.113 (0.970 to 1.278)	0.12	1.206 (1.038 to 1.401)	0.01
CO	0.998 (0.994 to 1.003)	0.64	0.997 (0.992 to 1.001)	0.24	0.999 (0.995 to 1.004)	0.91	0.999 (0.995 to 1.004)	0.91
PM ₁₀ *	0.938 (0.769 to 1.144)	0.52	0.881 (0.698 to 1.111)	0.28	1.101 (0.895 to 1.354)	0.36	1.095 (0.833 to 1.432)	0.50

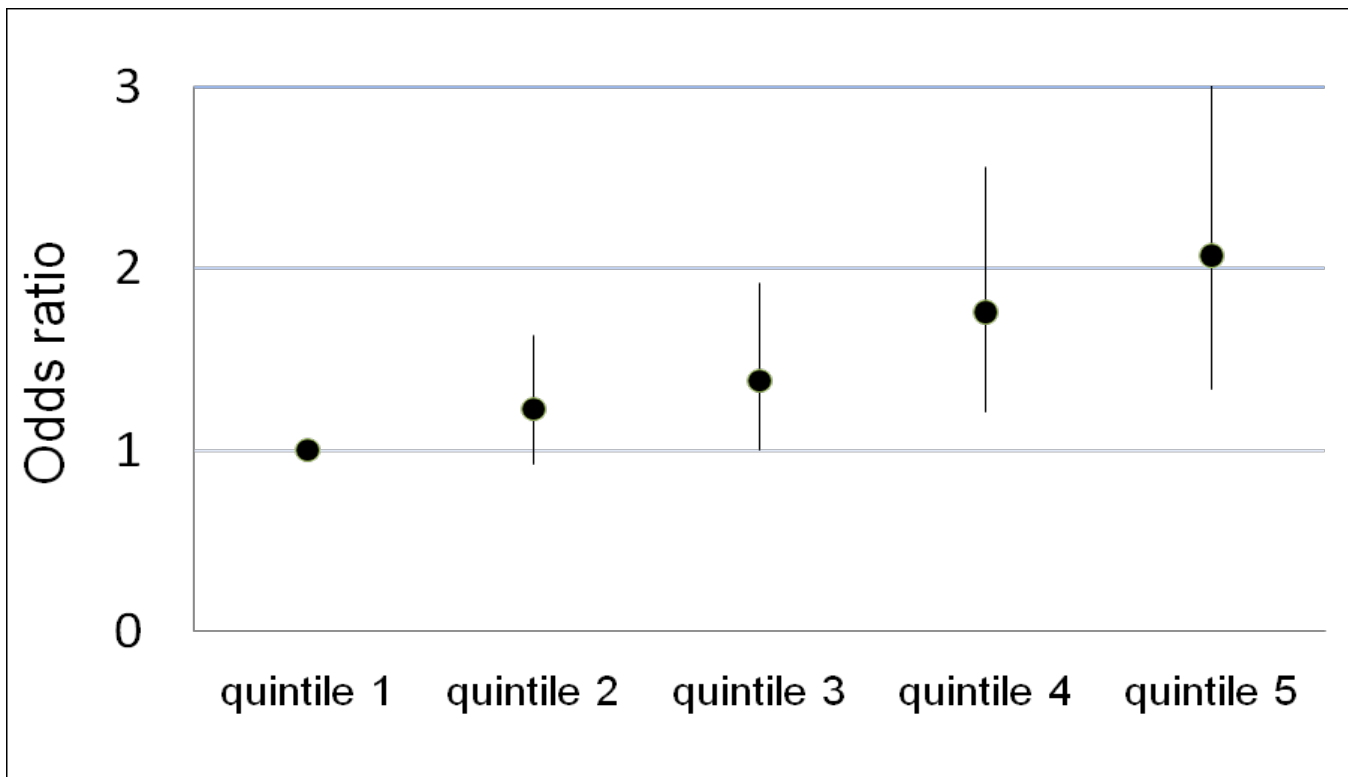


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Quintile 1: $< 9 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$

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Quintile 3: $21\text{-}32 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$

Quintile 4: $33\text{-}48 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$

Quintile 5: $> 48 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$

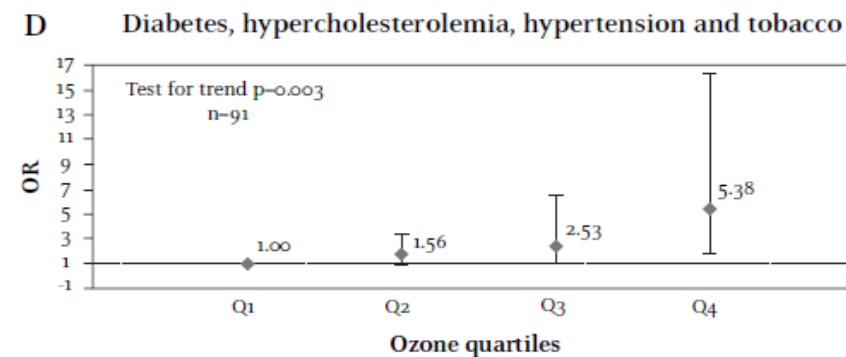
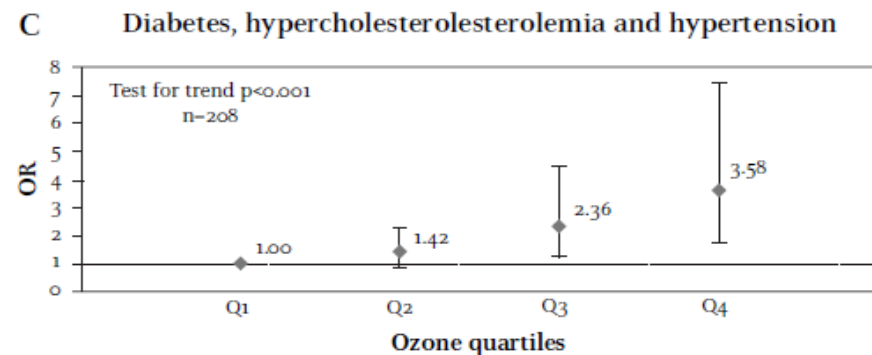
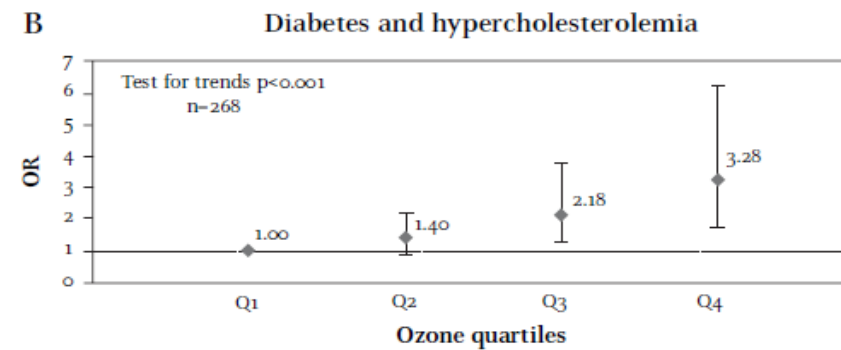
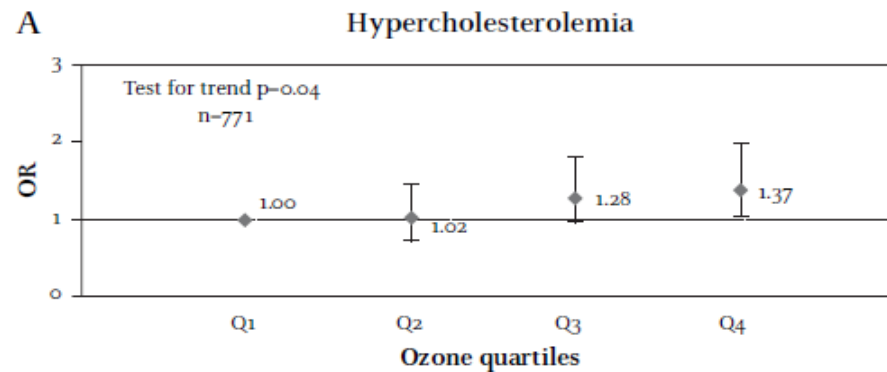
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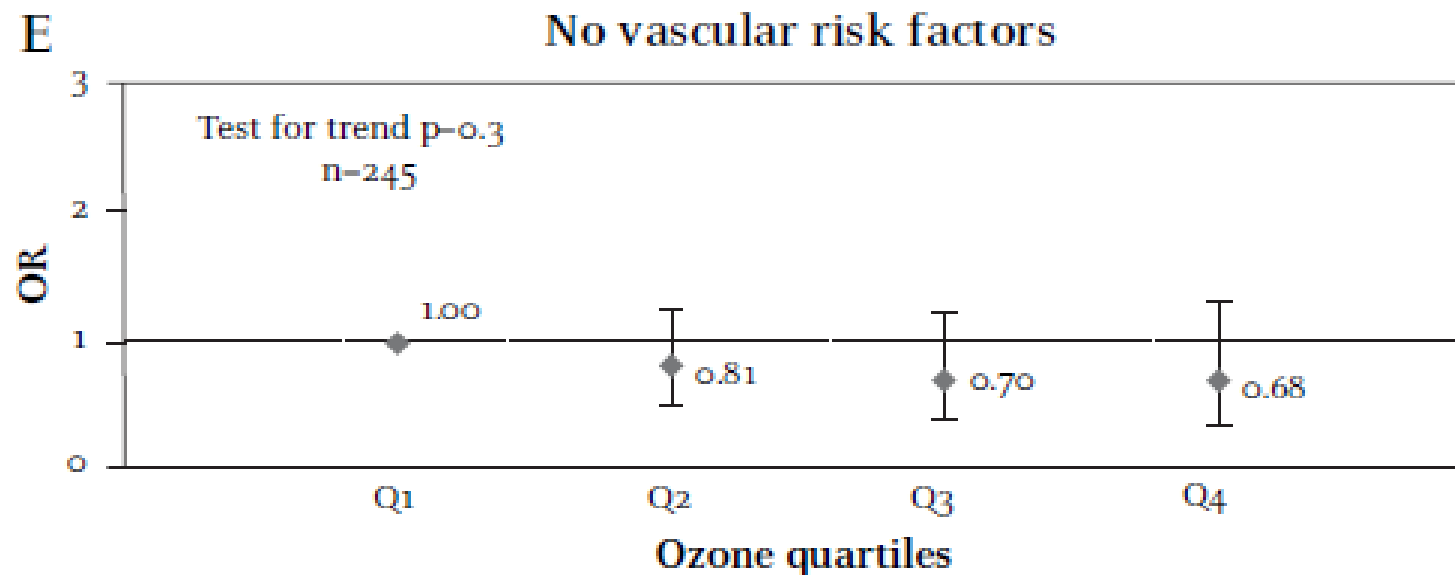
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	O ₃ (µg/m ³)	Sunlight (min/day)	Wind (m/s)§	Temperature (°C)†	Humidity (%)‡	PM ₁₀ (µg/m ³)	SO ₂ (µg/m ³)	CO (µg/m ³)	NO ₂ (µg/m ³)
Mean	38.2	315.9	3.53	15.1	93.2	20.5	3.4	456	36.0
SD	24.4	273.5	1.58	8.9	6.9	11.6	3.0	274	14.3
Median	37	263	3	16.3	96	18	3	392	35
Minimum	0	0	0	−4.5	51	0	0	0	6
Maximum	123	910	10	39.3	100	90	24	2265	110

Objectives	Value	Measured as	Target/action
Information threshold	180 µg/m ³	Hourly average	National authorities should inform the public and give advice immediately after an exceedance. Countries should report monthly on all exceedances
Alert threshold	240 µg/m ³	Hourly average	National authorities should inform the public and give advice immediately after an exceedance. Countries should report monthly on all exceedances
Protect Human health	120 µg/m ³	8 Hour average	Not to be exceeded on more than 25 days per year

Source: European Environment Agency

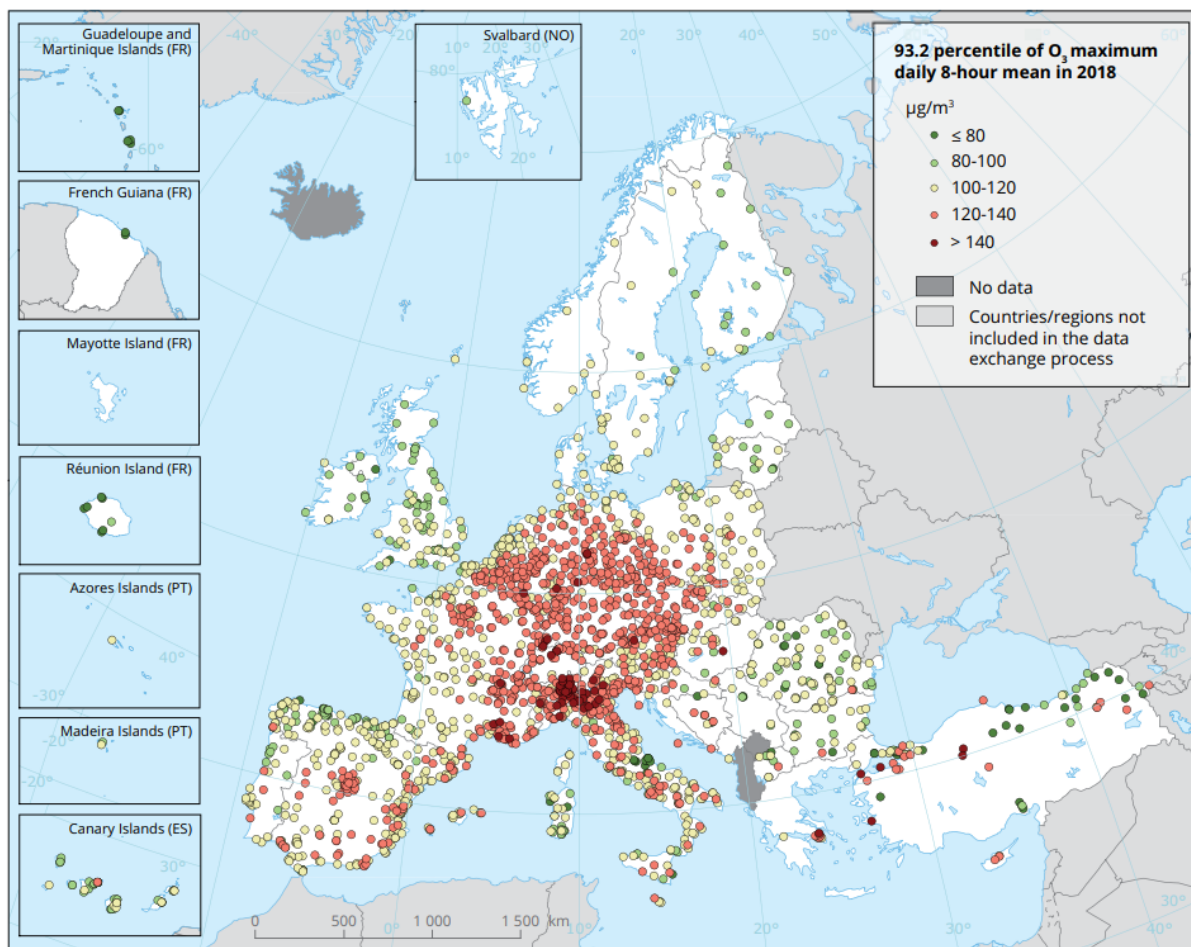


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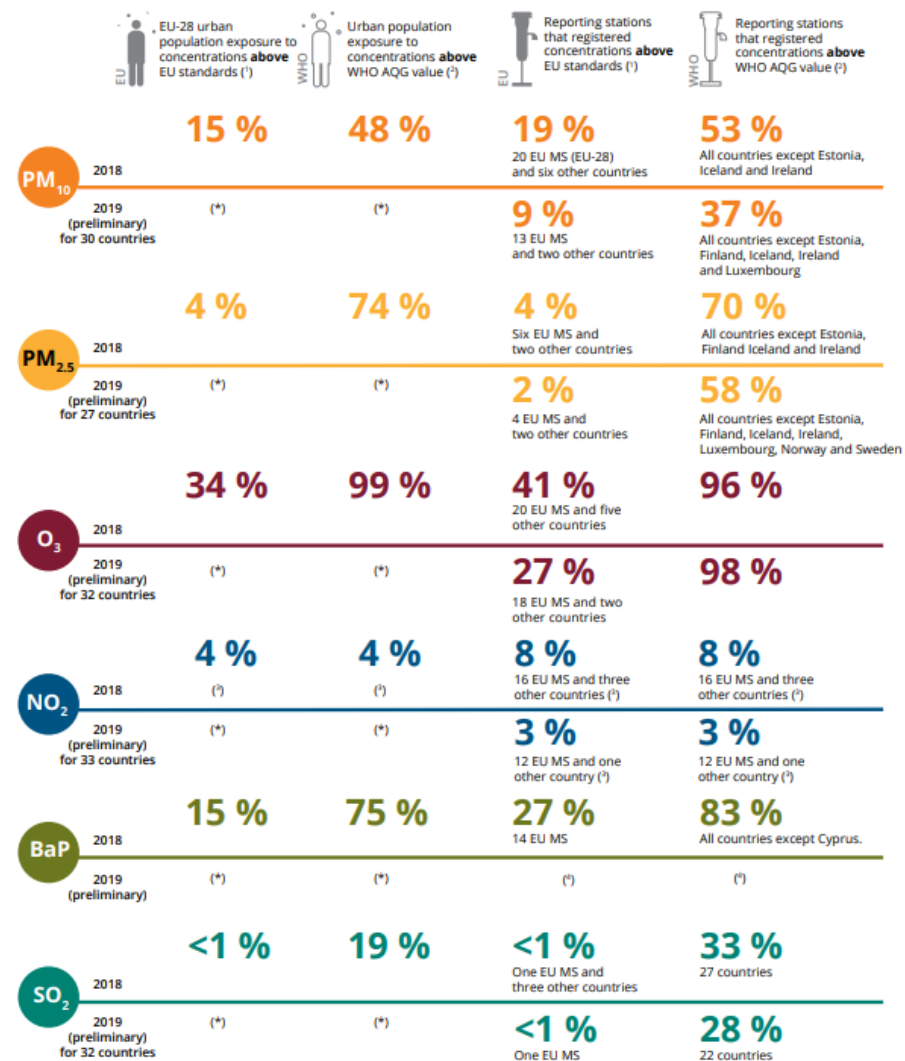
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Map 5.1 Concentrations of O₃ in 2018



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Figure ES.1 Key numbers



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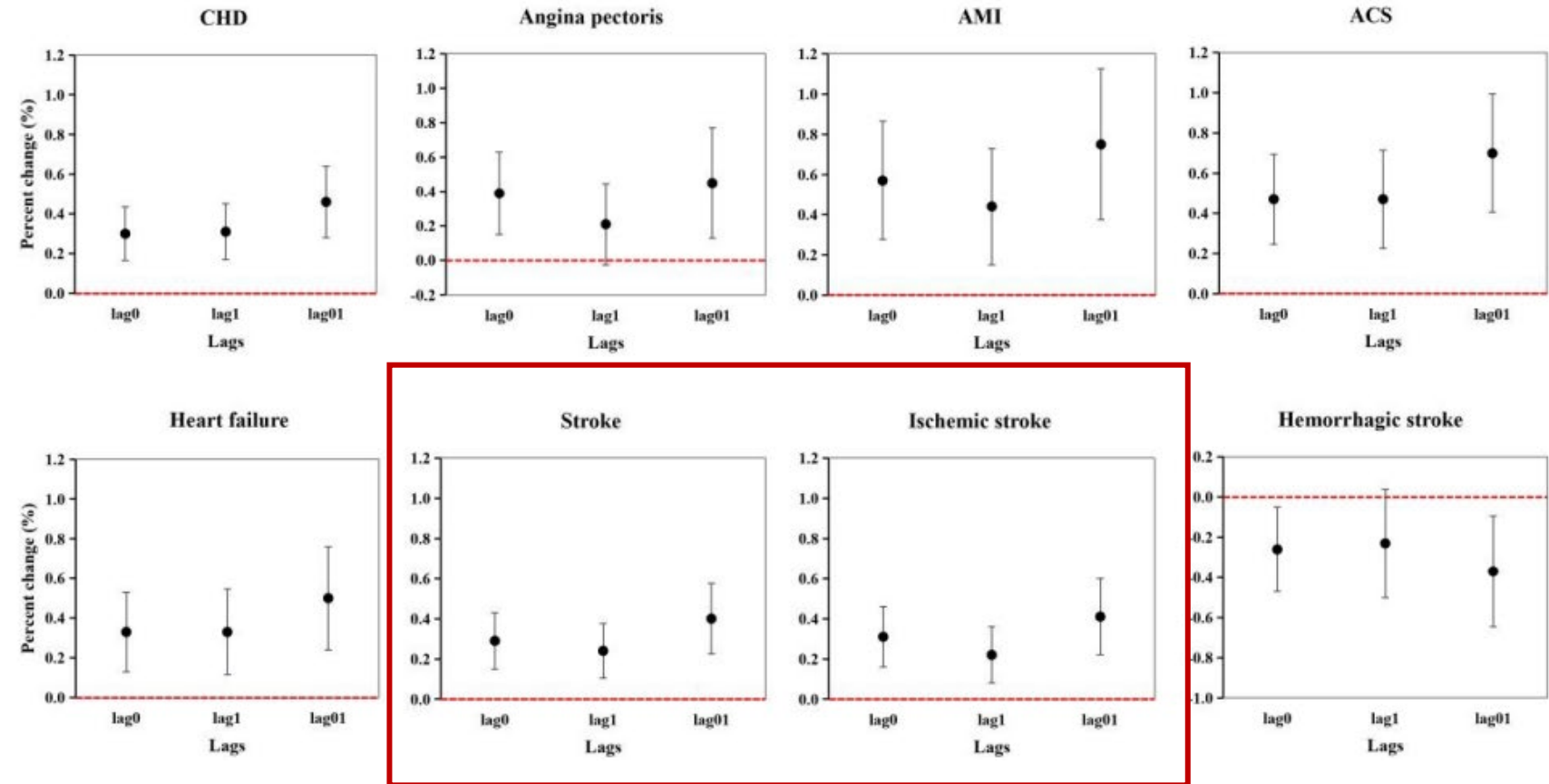
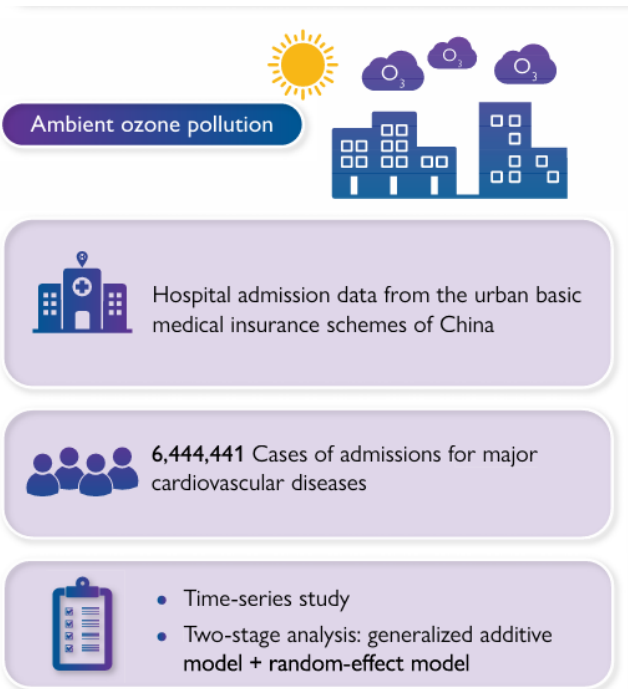
Air quality in Europe - 2020 report EEA Report No 09/2020

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Jiang Y, Eur Heart J. 2023;44(18):1622-1632



% change in daily hospital per 10 µg/m³ increase in daily ambient 8-h maximum ozone concentration

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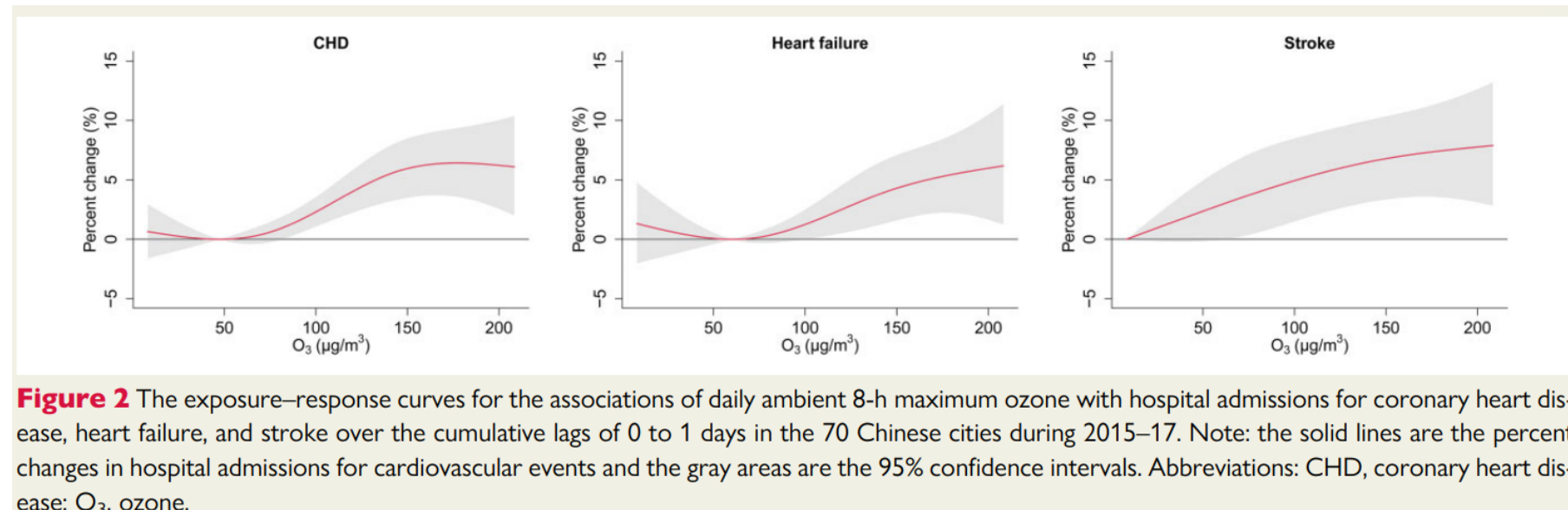
Hospital admission data from the urban basic medical insurance schemes of China



6,444,441 Cases of admissions for major cardiovascular diseases



- Time-series study
- Two-stage analysis: generalized additive model + random-effect model

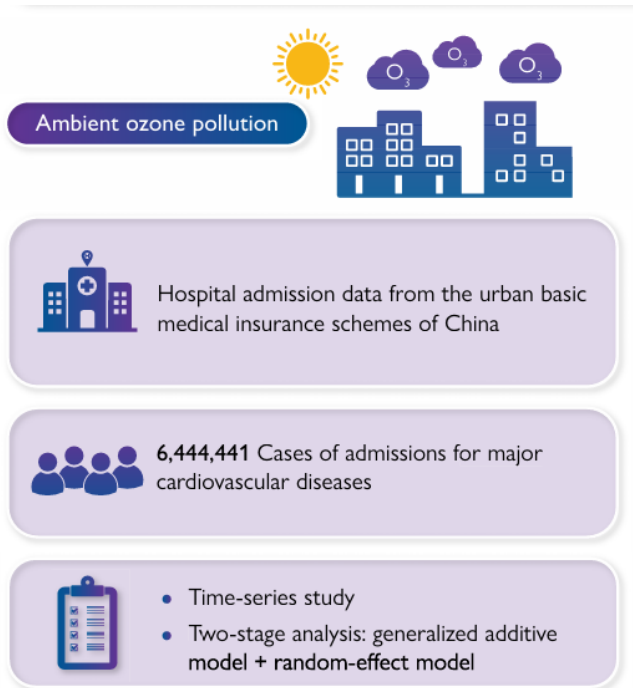


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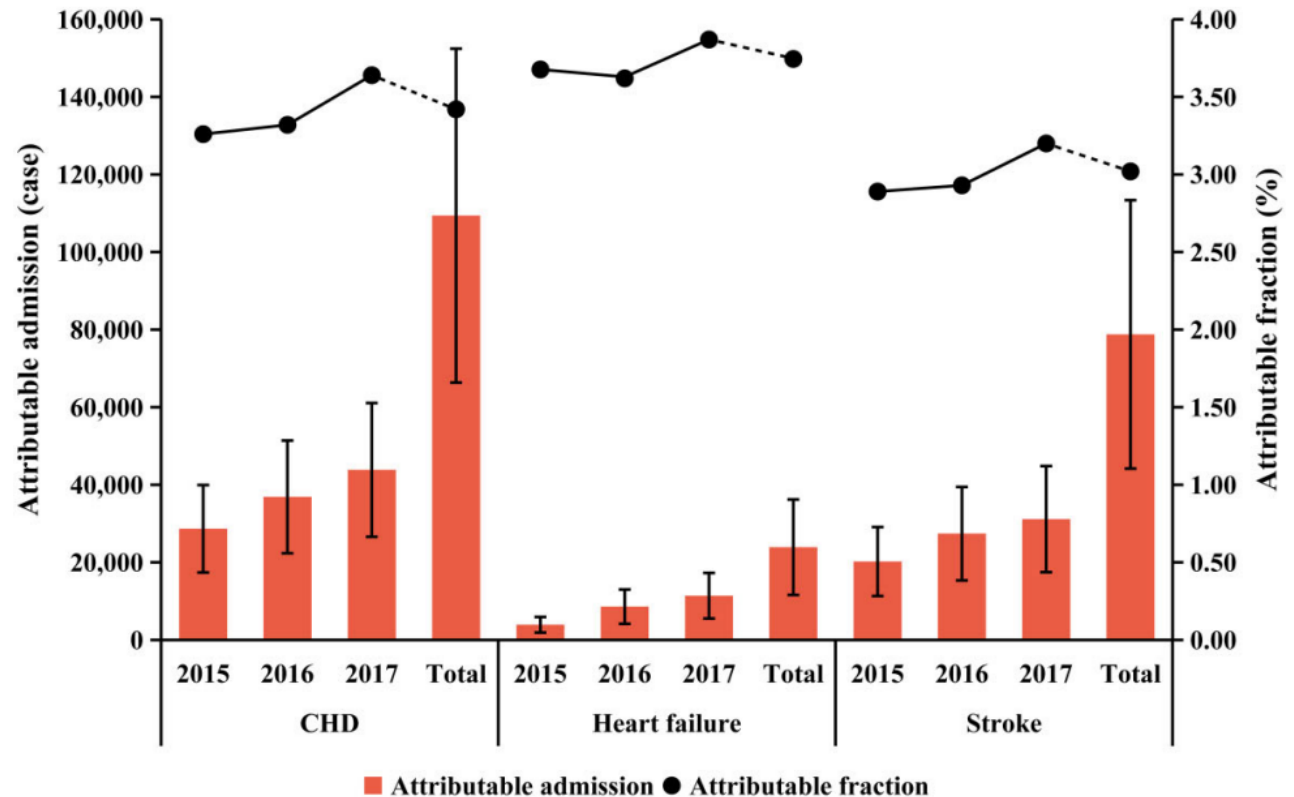
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Attributable numbers of **stroke** during 2015– 2017

78 784 (95% CI: 44,182, 112,903)



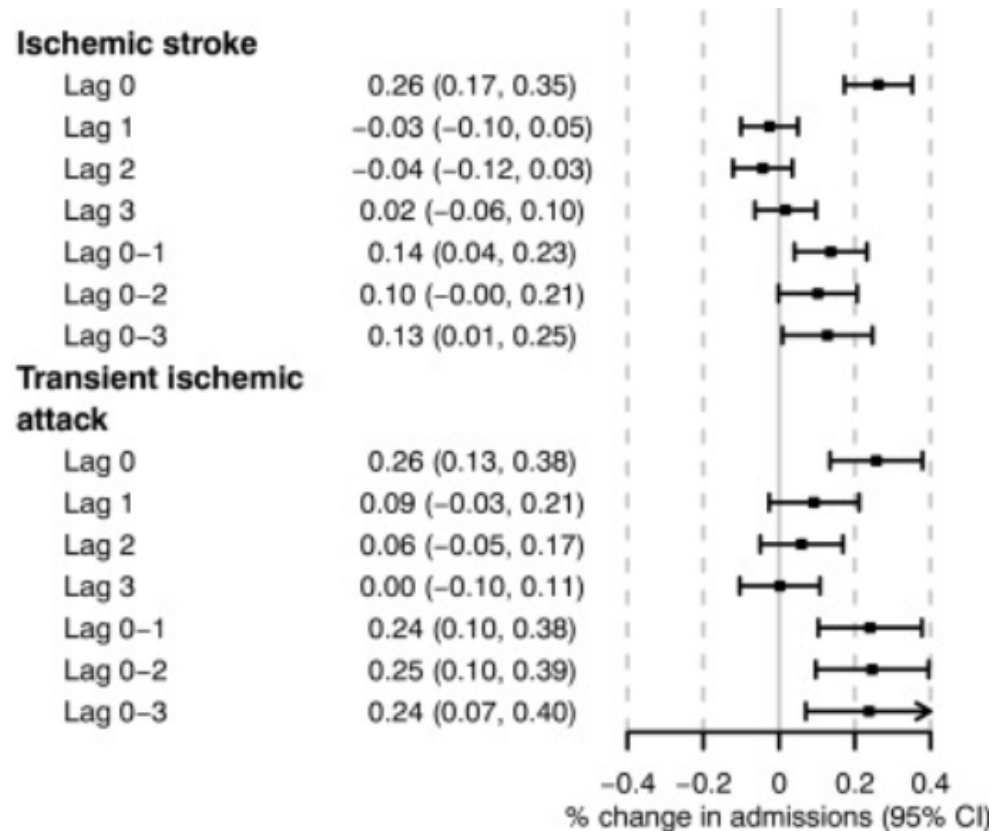
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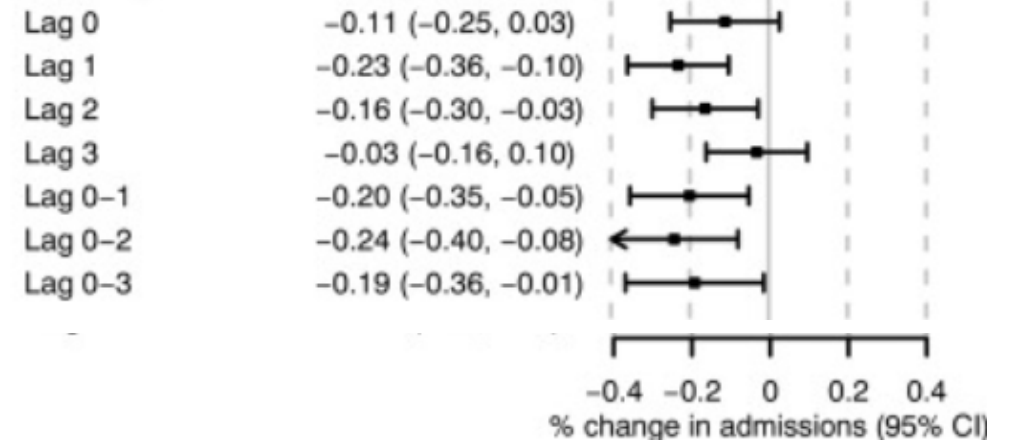
PM_{2.5}

Gu J, Sci Total Environ. 2020;715:136896.

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Hemorrhagic stroke



Per 10 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ increase in PM_{2.5} concentration

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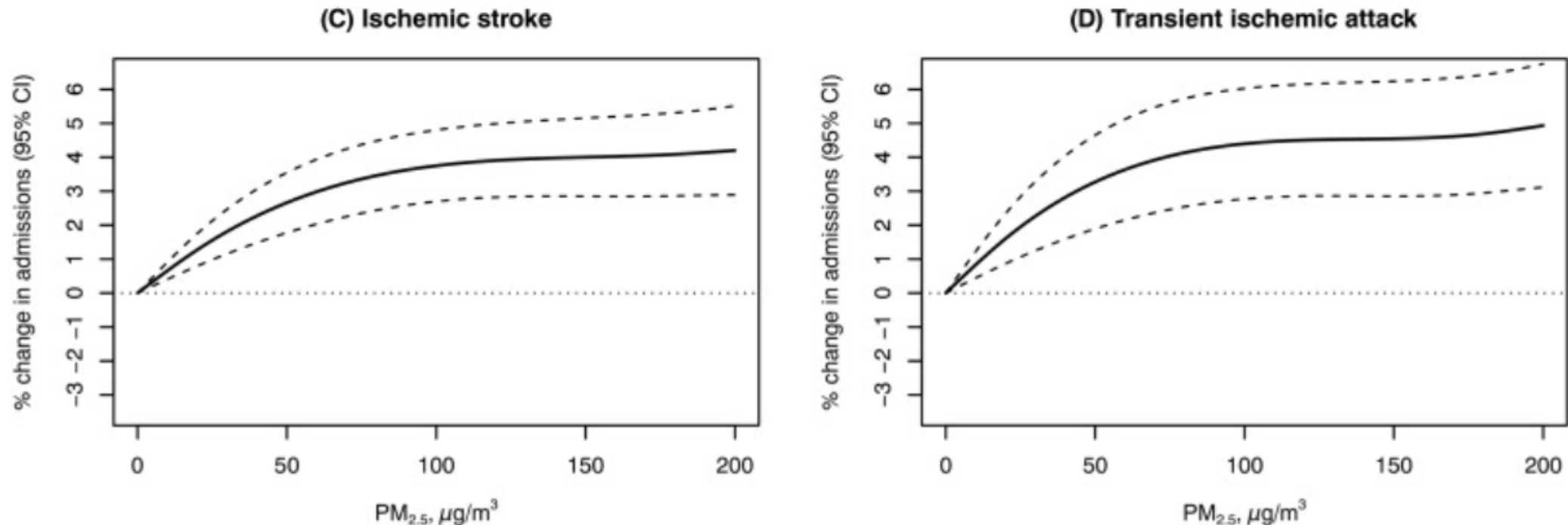
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Exposure-response curves of the effects of PM_{2.5} (lag 0 day) on hospital admissions

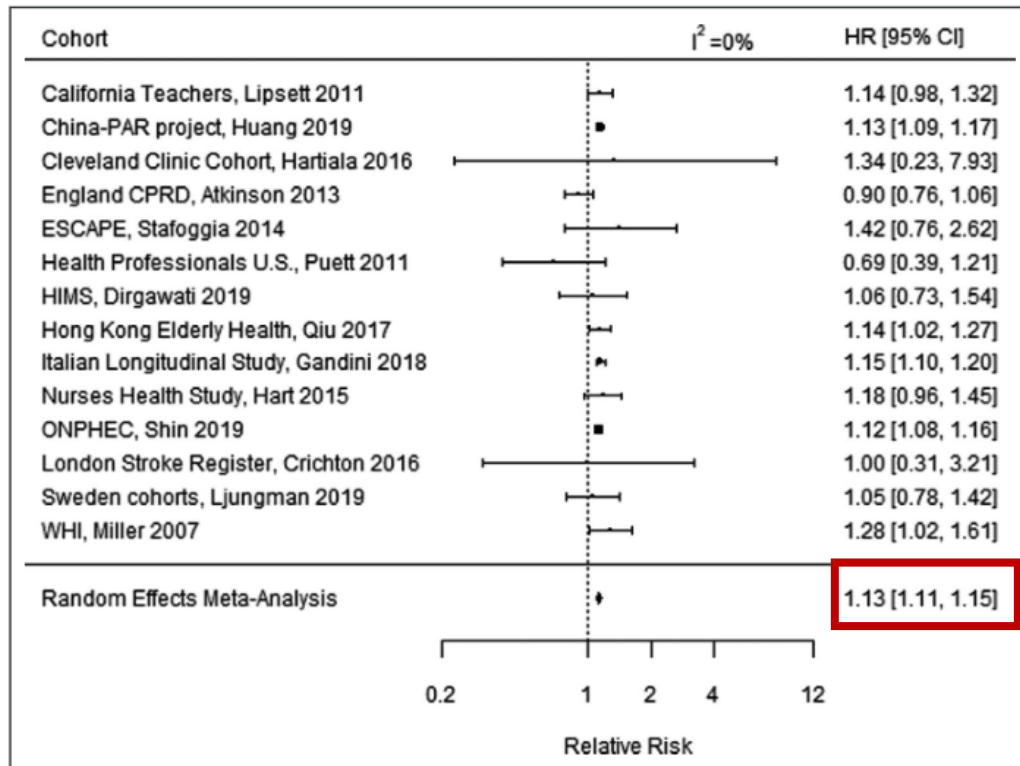


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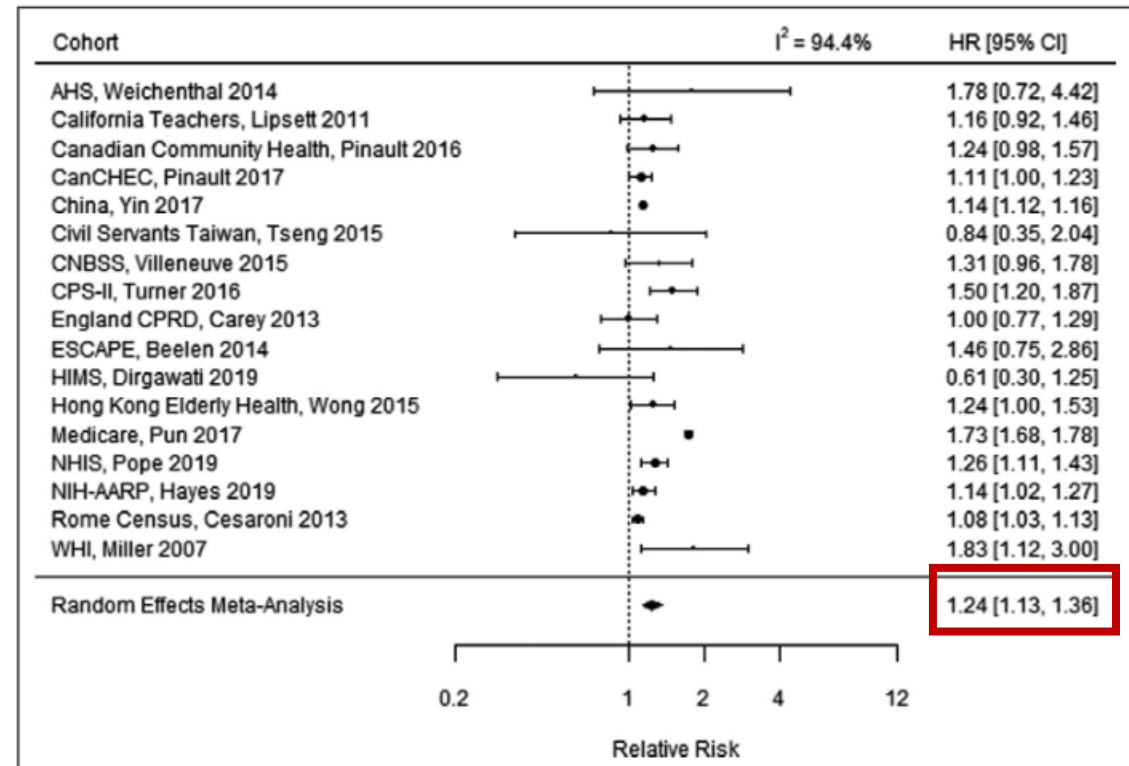
Long-term exposure

Alexeeff S, *J Am Heart Assoc.* 2021;10:e016890.

Incident stroke



Cerebrovascular mortality



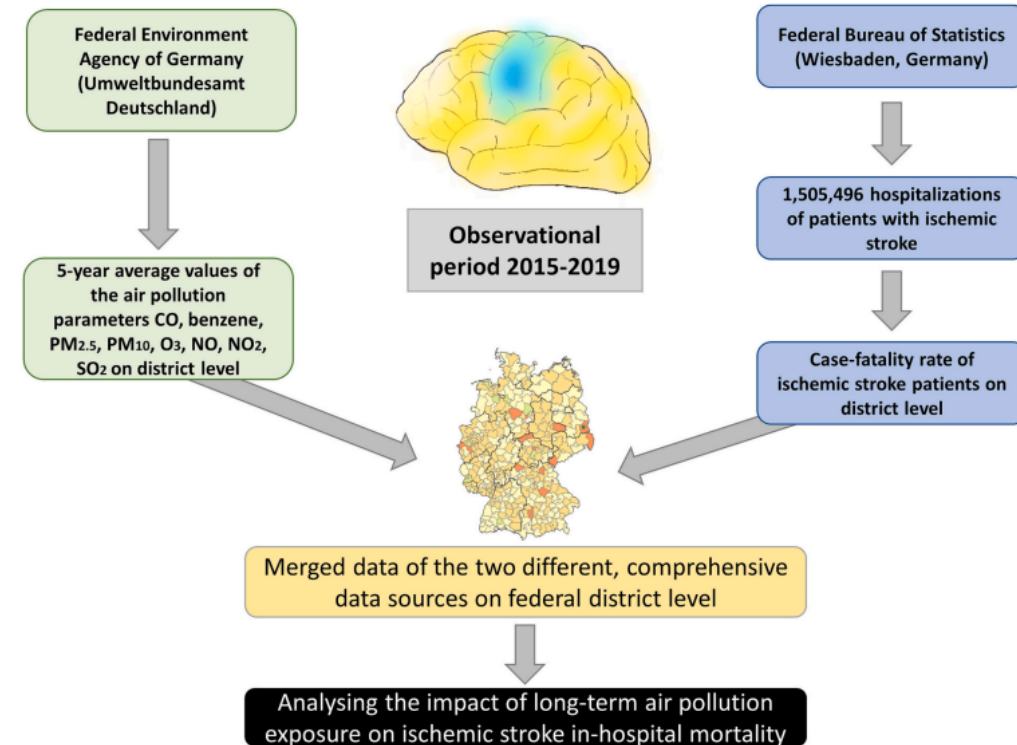
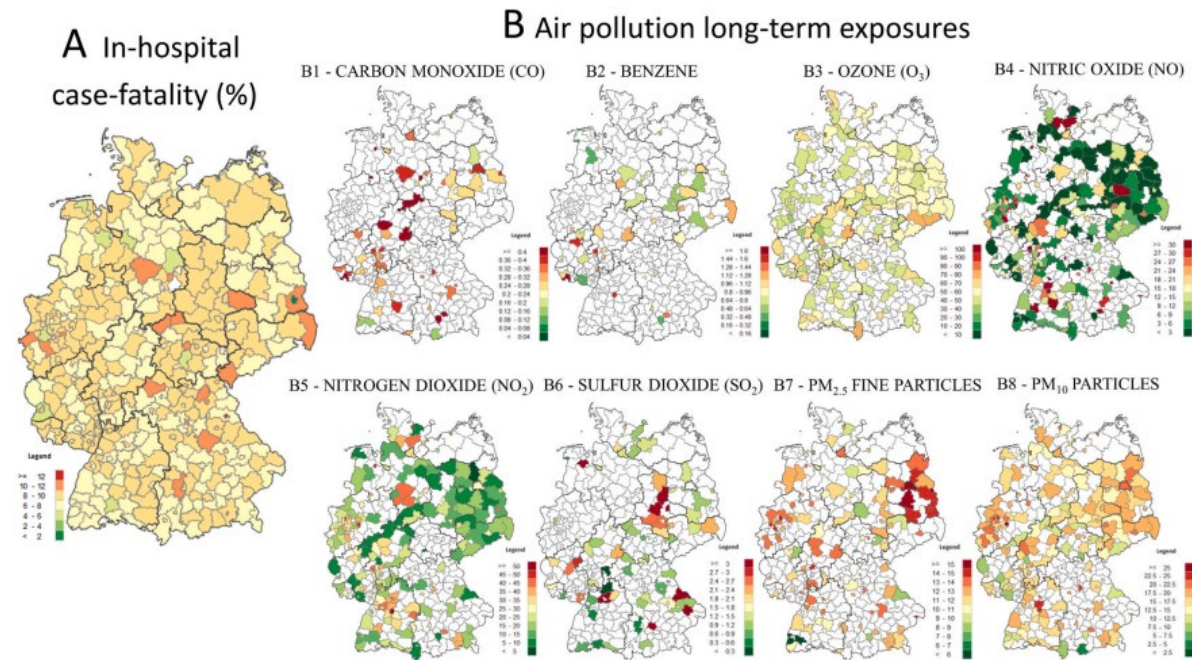
per 10-µg/m³ increase in long-term fine particulate matter <2.5 µm in diameter exposure

Ambient air pollution and stroke

Long-term exposure

- German nationwide inpatient sample
- 1.5 millions patients hospitalisés pour infarctus cerebral en Allemagne (2015-2019)
- Données pollution selon lieu de residence (German Federal Environmental Agency)

Keller K, Thromb Res 2023 ;S0049-3848(23)00080-4..

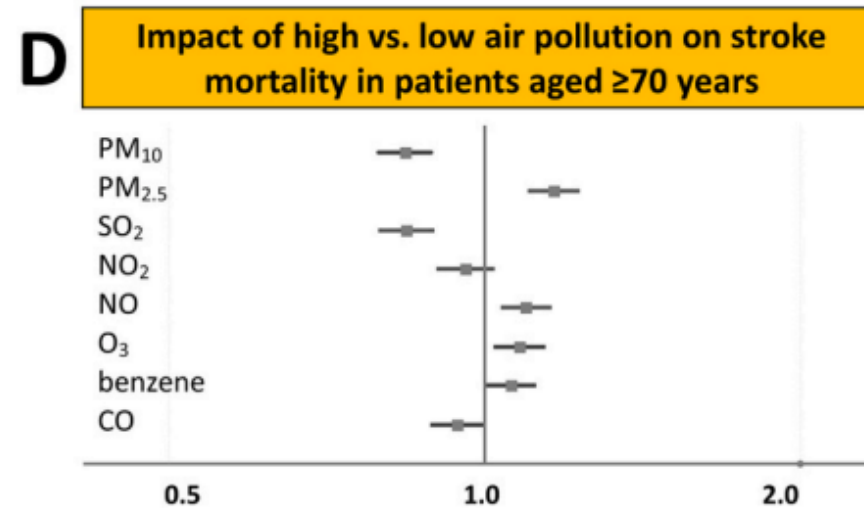
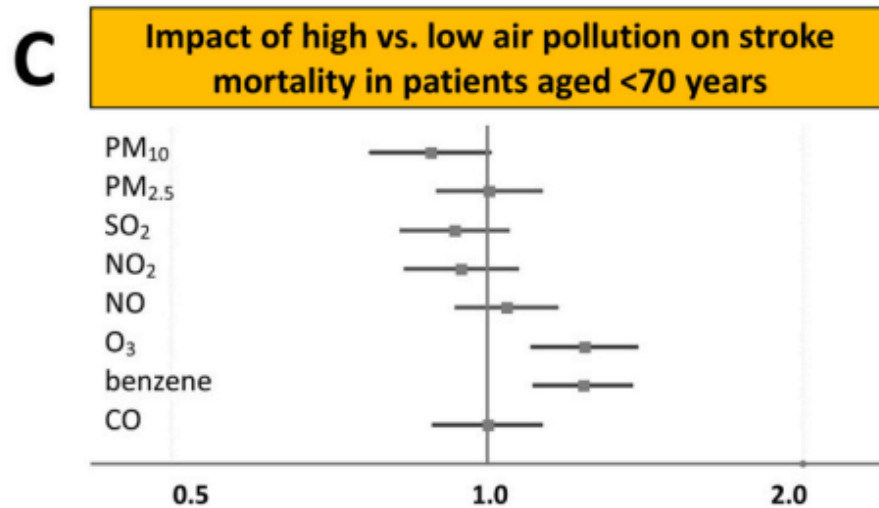


Ambient air pollution and stroke

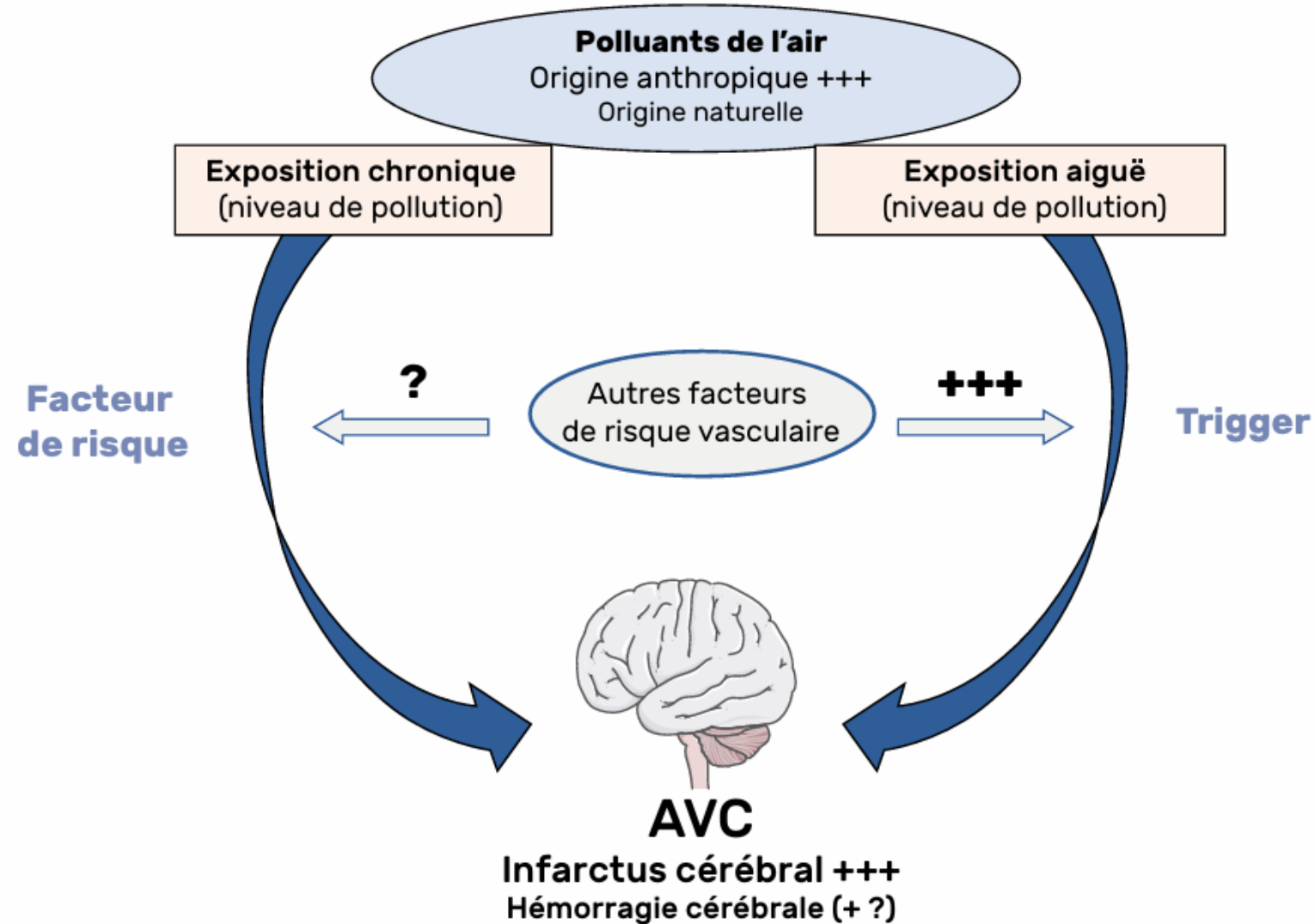
Long-term exposure

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- In-hospital mortality



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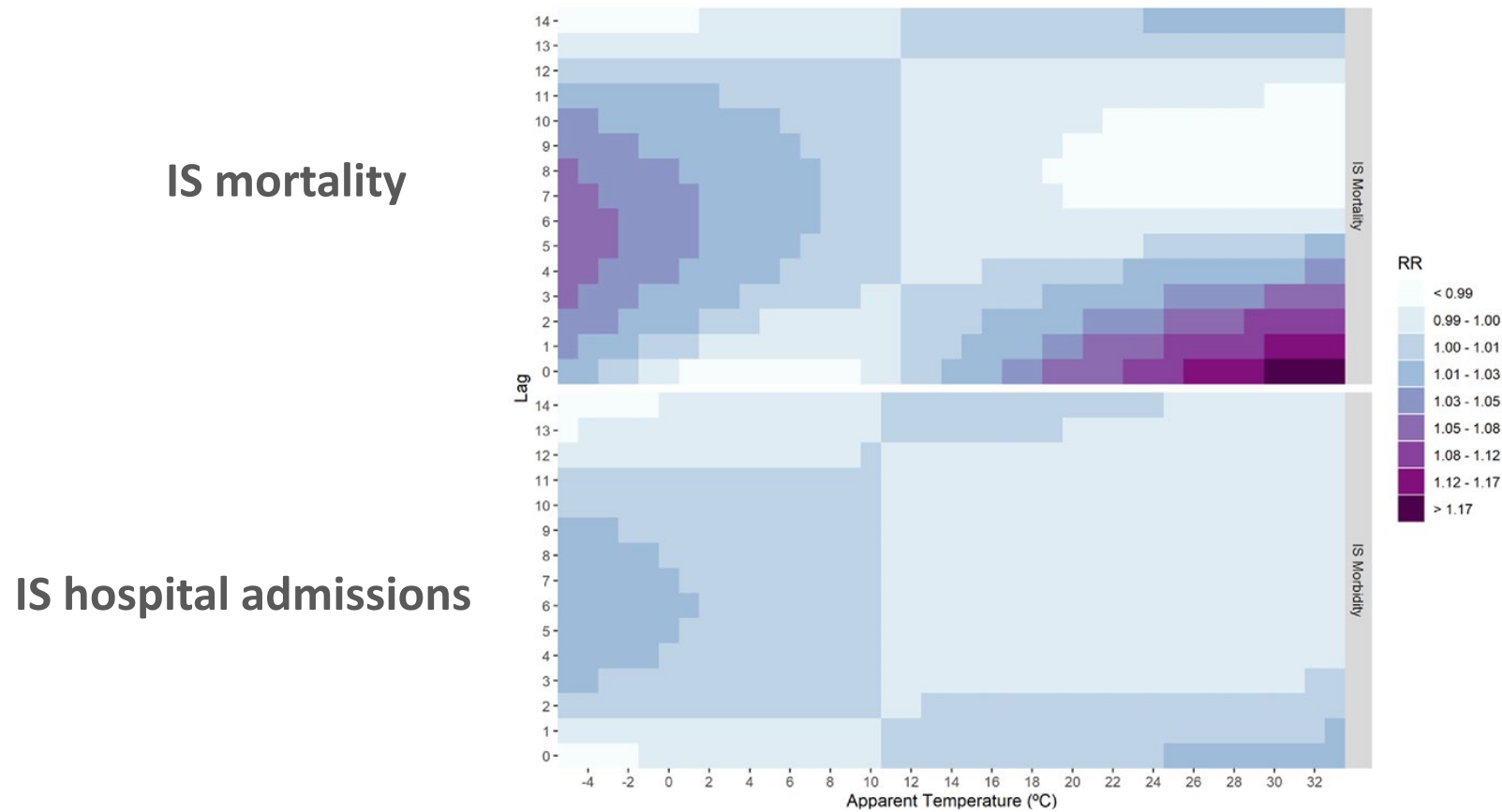


Béjot Y, *Neurologies* 2024;258:118-122.

Extreme temperatures and stroke

- Study in Madrid, Spain, including 106,036 IS hospital admissions
- Daily apparent temperatures

Royé D, *Environ Res.* 2019;173:349-358

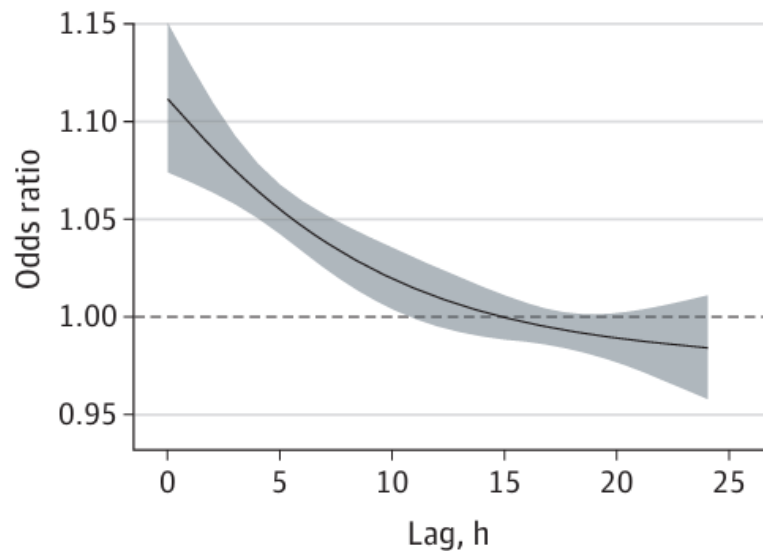


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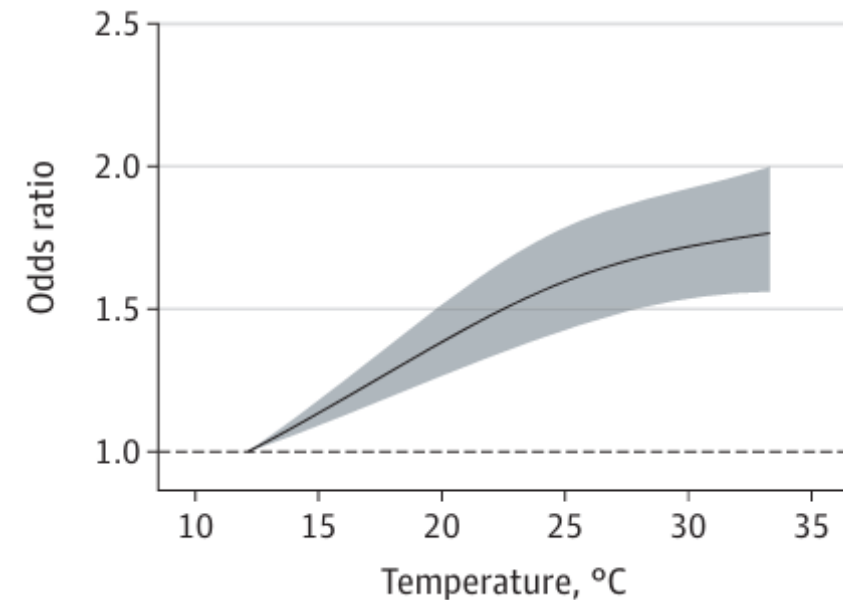
- Time-stratified case-crossover study in China - 82 455 patients with acute IS
- Hourly temperature

Zhu X, JAMA Netw Open. 2024;7:e240627

Association between IS and extremely high temperature
(99th percentile of the temperature distribution)



Association between ambient temperature and IS
accumulated over 0 to 10 hours

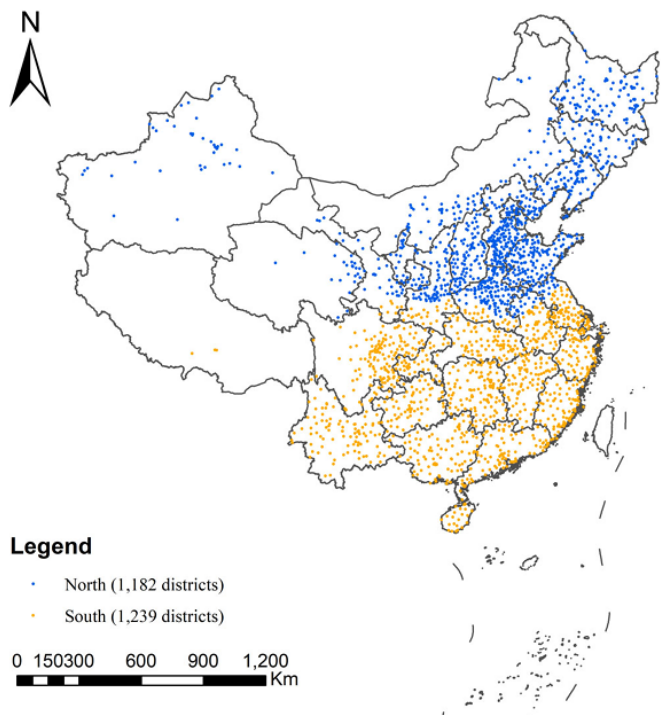


Transient exposure to high temperature associated with IS
Association occurring at the concurrent hour and lasting for up to 10 hours

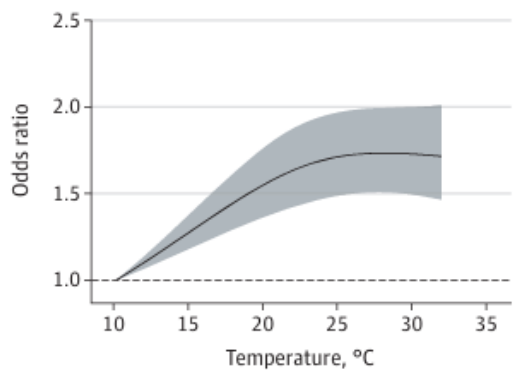
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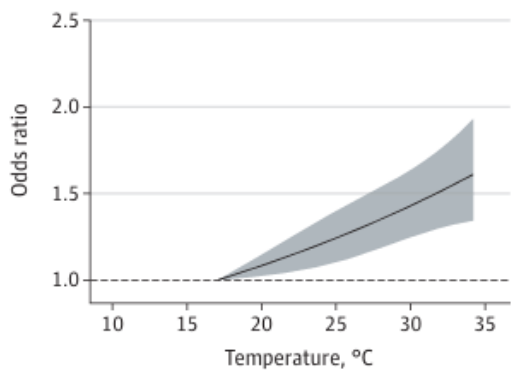
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B Northern region exposure-response curve



C Southern region exposure-response curve



Characteristic	Case, No. (%)	Temperature, °C			P value for z score
		Extremely high	Reference	OR (95% CI)	
National level	82 455 (100.0)	33.3	12.1	1.88 (1.65-2.13)	NA
Regional level					
North	46 550 (56.5)	32.0	10.2	1.80 (1.53-2.11)	.27
South	35 905 (43.5)	34.2	17.1	1.57 (1.31-1.87)	

Association was greater in magnitude in the north than in the south

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History of other disease ^e					
No history of other disease	27 952 (33.9)	33.2	12.1	1.94 (1.58-2.38)	NA
History of hypertension	49 259 (59.7)	33.4	12.2	1.80 (1.53-2.12)	.59 ^f
History of dyslipidemia	2433 (3.0)	33.2	12.1	4.68 (2.15-10.17)	.68 ^f
History of atrial fibrillation	2794 (3.4)	33.5	12.6	2.17 (0.86-4.34)	.80 ^f

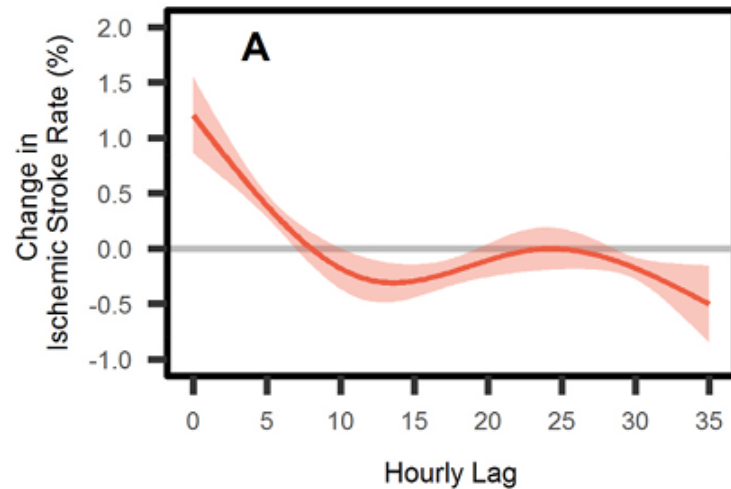
Trends toward higher ORs among patients with dyslipidemia

Extreme temperatures and stroke

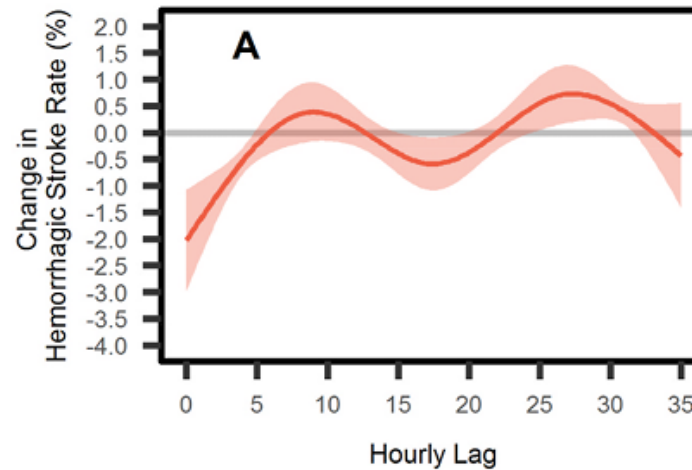
- Time-stratified case-crossover study in New York - 578,181 ischemic and 164,755 hemorrhagic strokes.
- Hourly temperature

Rowland ST, Environ Res. 2022;207:112229

Ischemic stroke



Hemorrhagic stroke



percent increase in the hourly stroke rate for a 10°C increase in hourly temperature for each lag

A 10°C increase over 7 h was associated with 5.1% increase in hourly ischemic stroke rate
Temperature negatively associated with hemorrhagic stroke over 5 hours

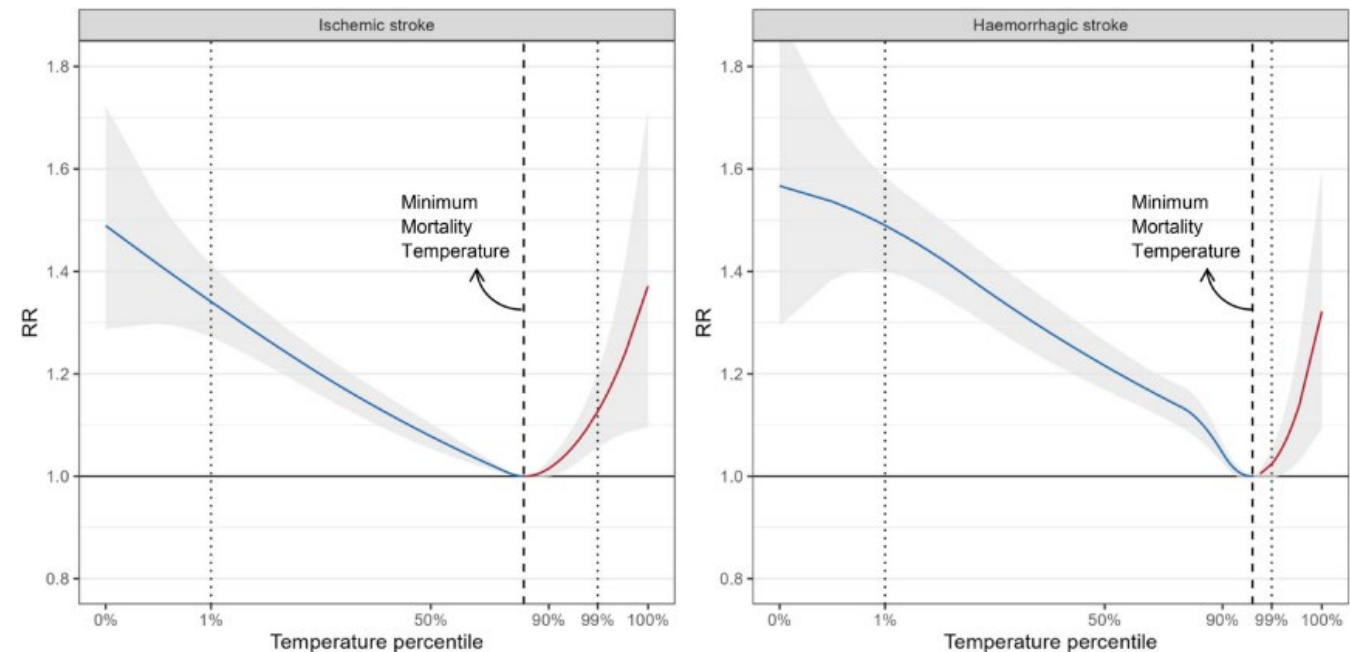
Extreme temperatures and stroke

- 3 443 969 ischemic and 2 454 267 hemorrhagic **stroke deaths**
- from 522 cities in 25 countries

Alahmad B, Stroke. 2024;55:1847-1856

Country	Stroke data source	Years	Cities	Ischemic stroke	Hemorrhagic stroke	Temp. mean (°C)	Temp. SD (°C)
Brazil	Ministry of Health	1997–2018	9	146 180	97 044	23.4	4.2
Canada	Canadian Mortality Database	1986–2015	26	92 448	56 242	6.8	10.9
Costa Rica	Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Censos	2000–2017	1	655	516	22.7	1.1
Cyprus	Causes of Death Database, Health Monitoring Unit, Ministry of Health	2004–2017	5	3954	981	20.4	6.2
Ecuador	Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Censos	2013–2019	2	3857	4806	21.0	5.4
Estonia	Estonian Causes of Death Registry	1997–2018	8	23 637	5385	6.2	8.9
Finland	Statistics Finland	1987–2018	1	10 302	5791	5.9	9.0
Guatemala	Instituto Nacional de Estadística, Unidad de Estadística de Salud	2009–2018	1	1162	916	19.4	1.6
Italy	Regional mortality registry of the Lazio Region	2006–2015	4	2110	8315	16.3	7.4
Japan	Ministry of Health, labor and Welfare	1979–2015	47	1 845 428	1 584 972	15.2	8.6
Kuwait	National Center for Health Information, Ministry of Health	2000–2016	1	4432	1937	27.1	9.8
Moldova	National Center for Health Management	2001–2010	1	2289	5581	10.8	9.8
Panama	Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Censo, Centro de Información Estadística.	2013–2016	1	118	219	28.1	1.1
Paraguay	Ministerio de Salud Pública y Bienestar Social, Dirección General de Información Estratégica en Salud	2004–2019	1	995	1248	23.3	5.3
Philippines	Philippine Statistics Agency	2006–2010	4	14 738	12 476	28.2	1.4
Portugal	Statistics Portugal	1990–2018	6	69 742	26 810	16.3	5.4
South Africa	Statistics South Africa	1997–2013	51	337 559	45 655	18.0	5.4
Spain	Spain National Institute of Statistics	2000–2018	6	51 033	25 615	17.1	6.6
Switzerland	Federal Office of Statistics (Switzerland)	1995–2016	8	39 057	10 705	10.5	7.5
Taiwan	Department of Health in Taiwan	2008–2016	3	10 544	11 079	24.1	5.1
Thailand	Ministry of Public Health	1999–2008	55	25 996	76 675	27.6	2.4
United Kingdom	Office of National Statistics	1990–2016	70	203 401	87 947	10.5	5.3
Uruguay	Ministerio de Salud Pública	2001–2018	1	14 565	6558	18.6	5.6
United States	National Center for Health Statistics	1985–2006	209	534 701	373 350	14.1	10.1
Vietnam	Provincial Department of Health, Ho Chi Minh	2010–2013	1	5066	3444	28.5	1.4
Total		1979–2019	522	3 443 969	2 454 267		

Pooled exposure-response relationships between overall temperature percentiles and relative risk of stroke



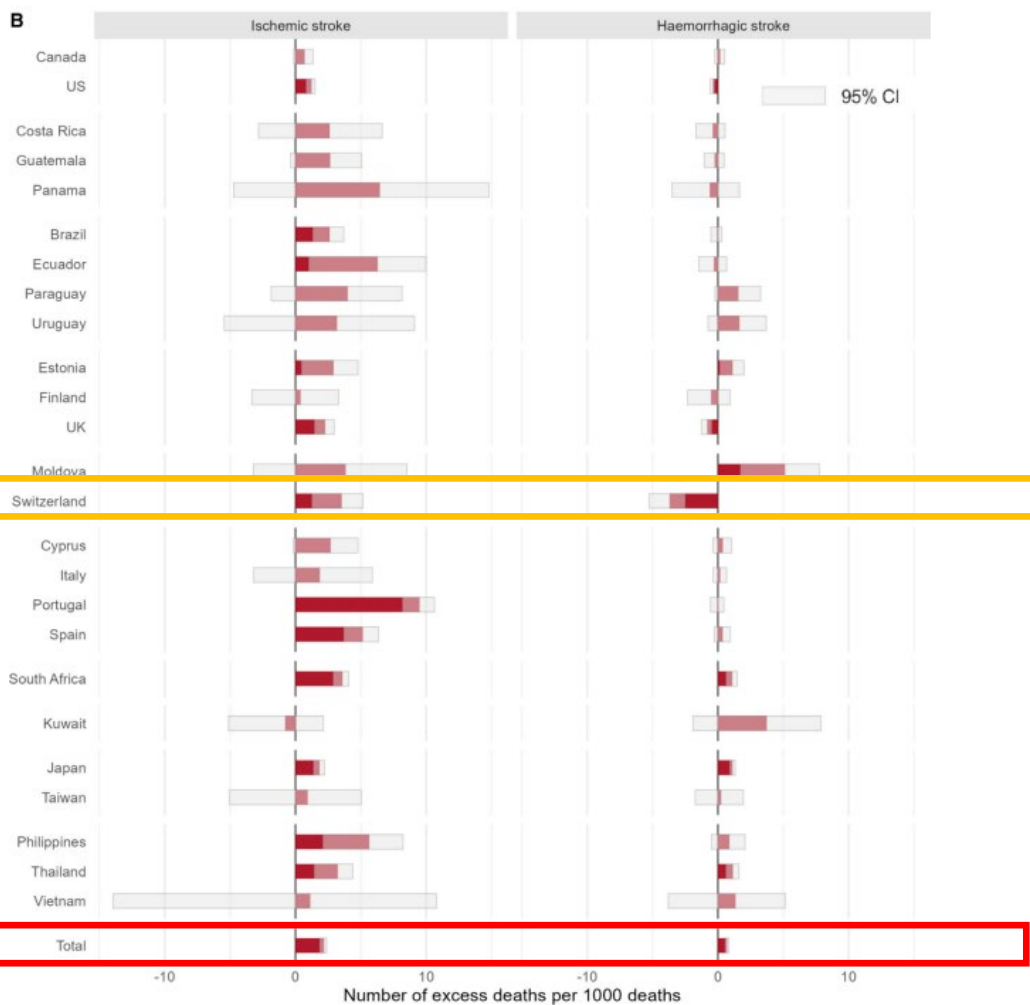
Extreme temperatures and stroke

Alahmad B, Stroke. 2024;55:1847-1856

Extremely cold days (<2.5th percentile)



Extremely hot days (>75th percentile)



Other consequences of climate change

Wildfires

2019–20 bushfire in Australia



Hasnain MD, Eur Stroke J. 2024;23969873231223307

Methods



Bushfire period:
1 October 2019 to
10 February 2020

Control period:
Similar period from 2018-19



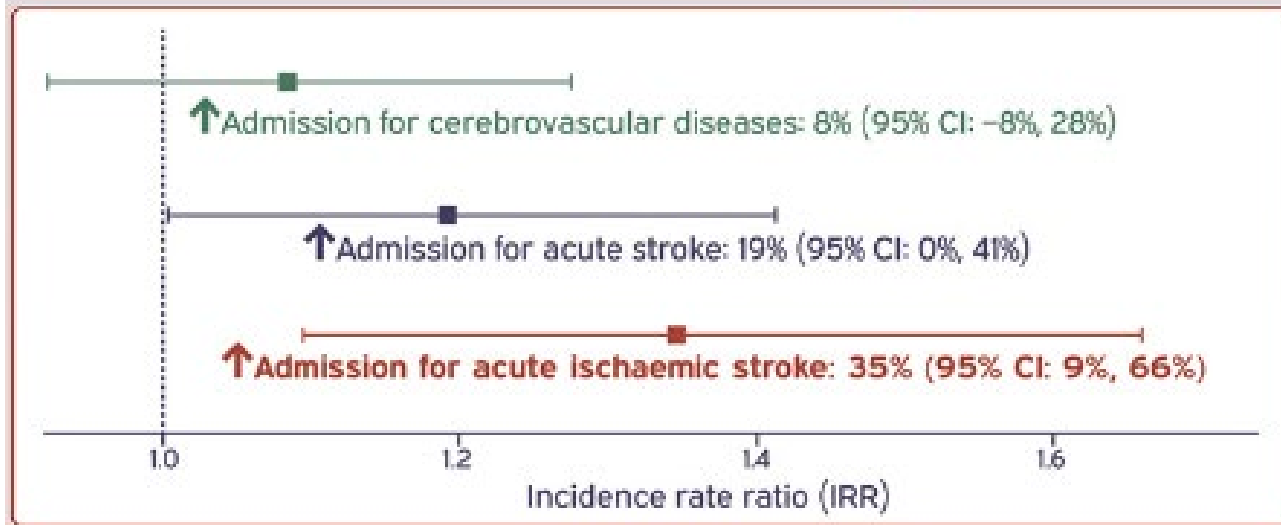
High-smoke day:
Average daily concentration of
particulate matter was higher
than the 95th percentile of the
control period



Outcomes:
Daily hospital admissions
• Cerebrovascular diseases
• Acute stroke
• Acute ischaemic stroke



High bushfire smoke days associated with increased total daily number of hospital admissions for three cumulative days



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Daily hospital admissions ischaemic stroke across lag 0–3 days

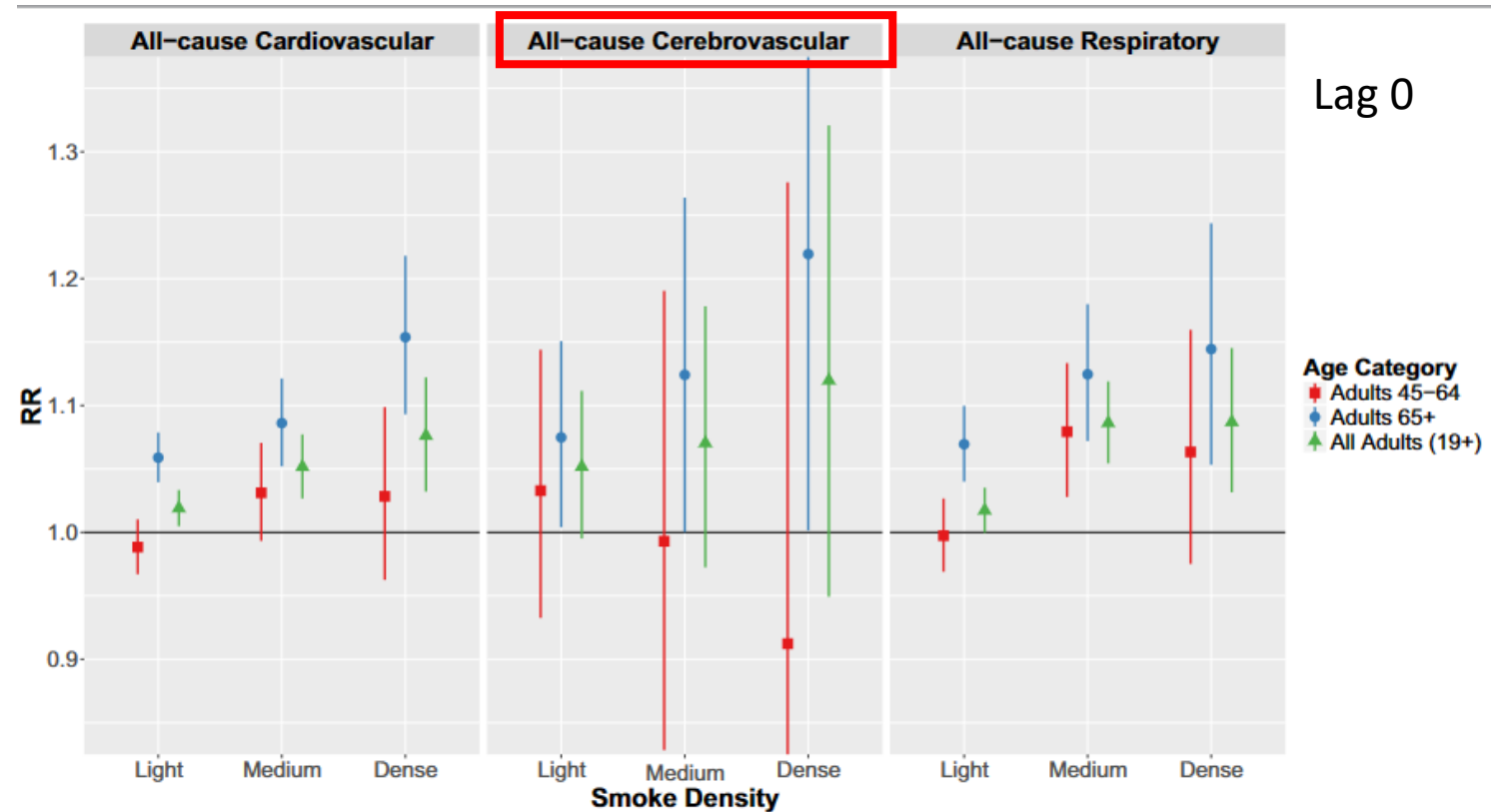
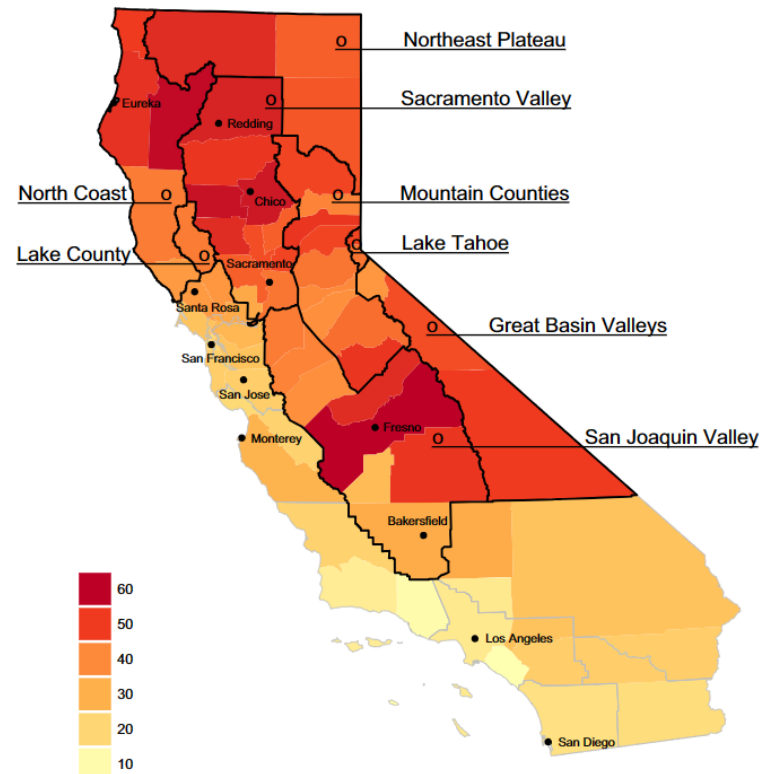
	Control period IRR (95% CI); <i>p</i> -value	Bushfire period IRR (95% CI); <i>p</i> -value
PM ₁₀ acute ischaemic stroke		
Same day	0.99 (0.97–1.01); 0.39	1.01 (1.00–1.02); 0.01*
1 day lag	0.99 (0.96–1.02); 0.42	1.01 (1.00–1.02); 0.03*
2 day lag	0.99 (0.96–1.01); 0.33	1.01 (1.00–1.02); 0.01*
3 day lag	0.99 (0.97–1.02); 0.49	1.01 (1.00–1.02); 0.01*
PM _{2.5} acute ischaemic stroke		
Same day	0.95 (0.86–1.06); 0.35	1.01 (1.00–1.03); 0.11
1 day lag	0.93 (0.82–1.04); 0.20	1.02 (1.00–1.03); 0.08
2 day lag	0.92 (0.82–1.04); 0.20	1.02 (1.00–1.03); 0.03*
3 day lag	0.92 (0.81–1.03); 0.16	1.02 (1.00–1.03); 0.06

Other consequences of climate change

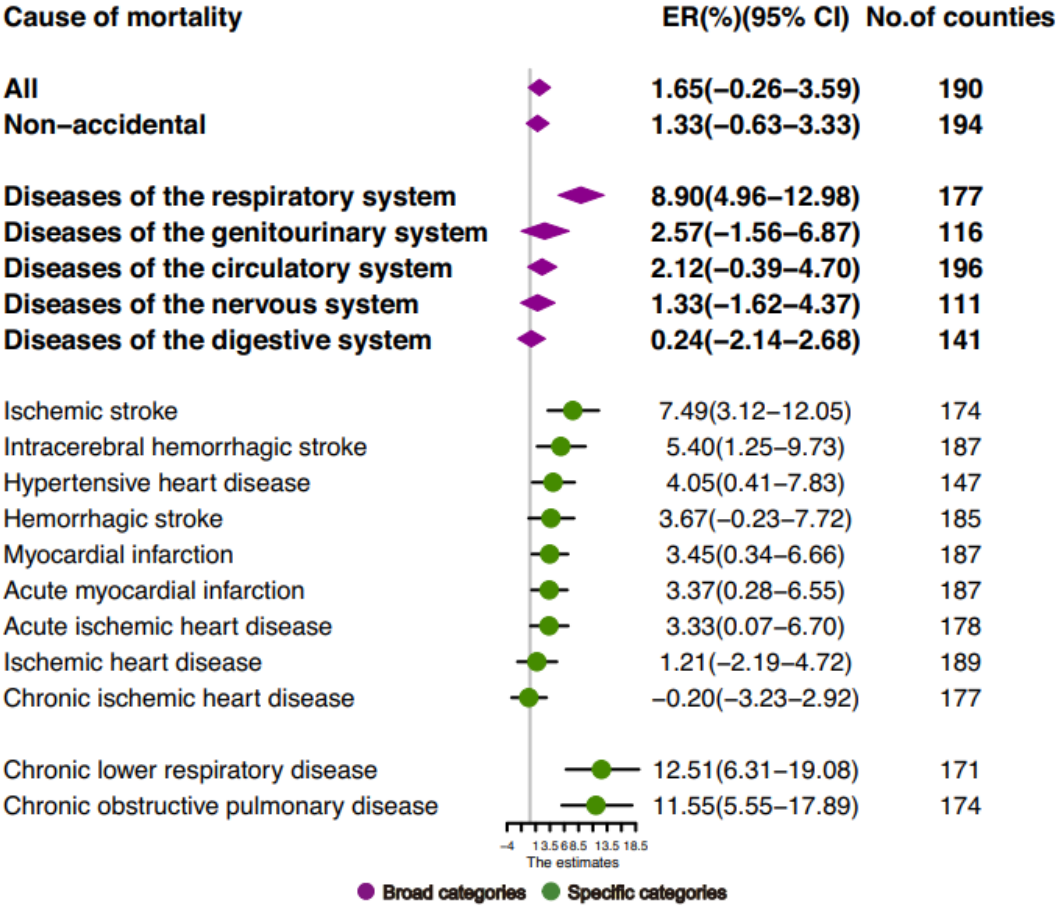
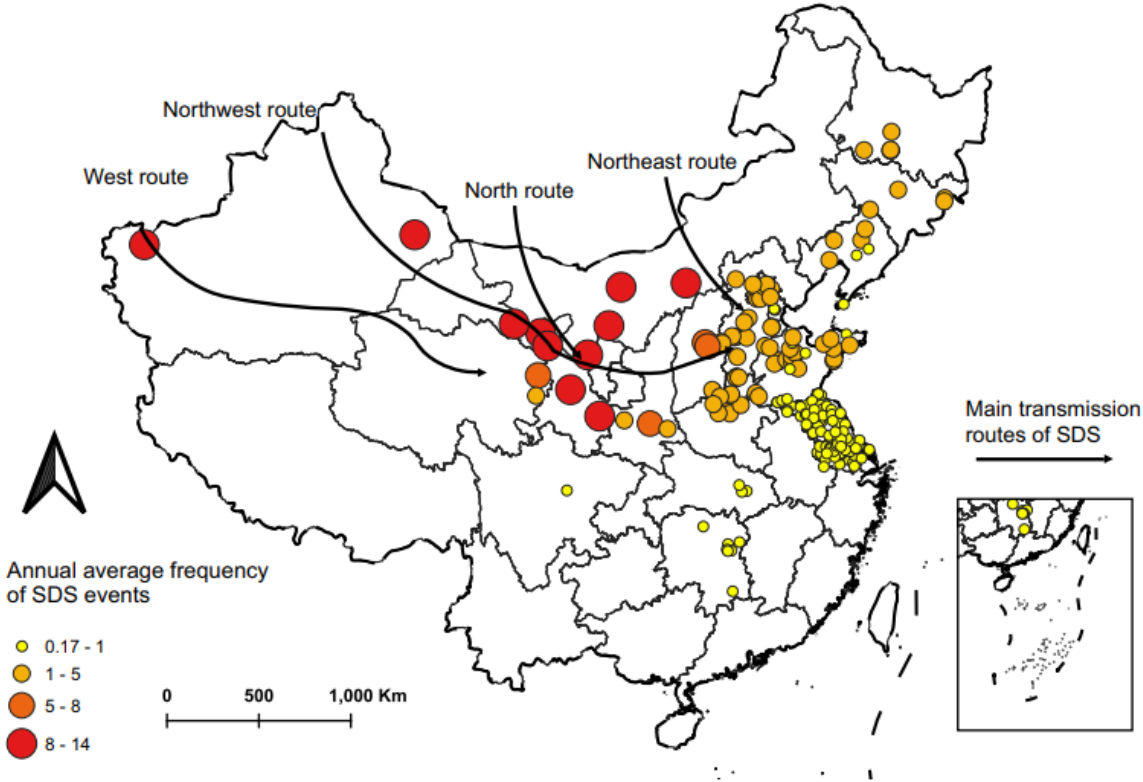
Wildfires

Wettstein ZS, J Am Heart Assoc. 2018;7:e007492

2015 wildfires in California



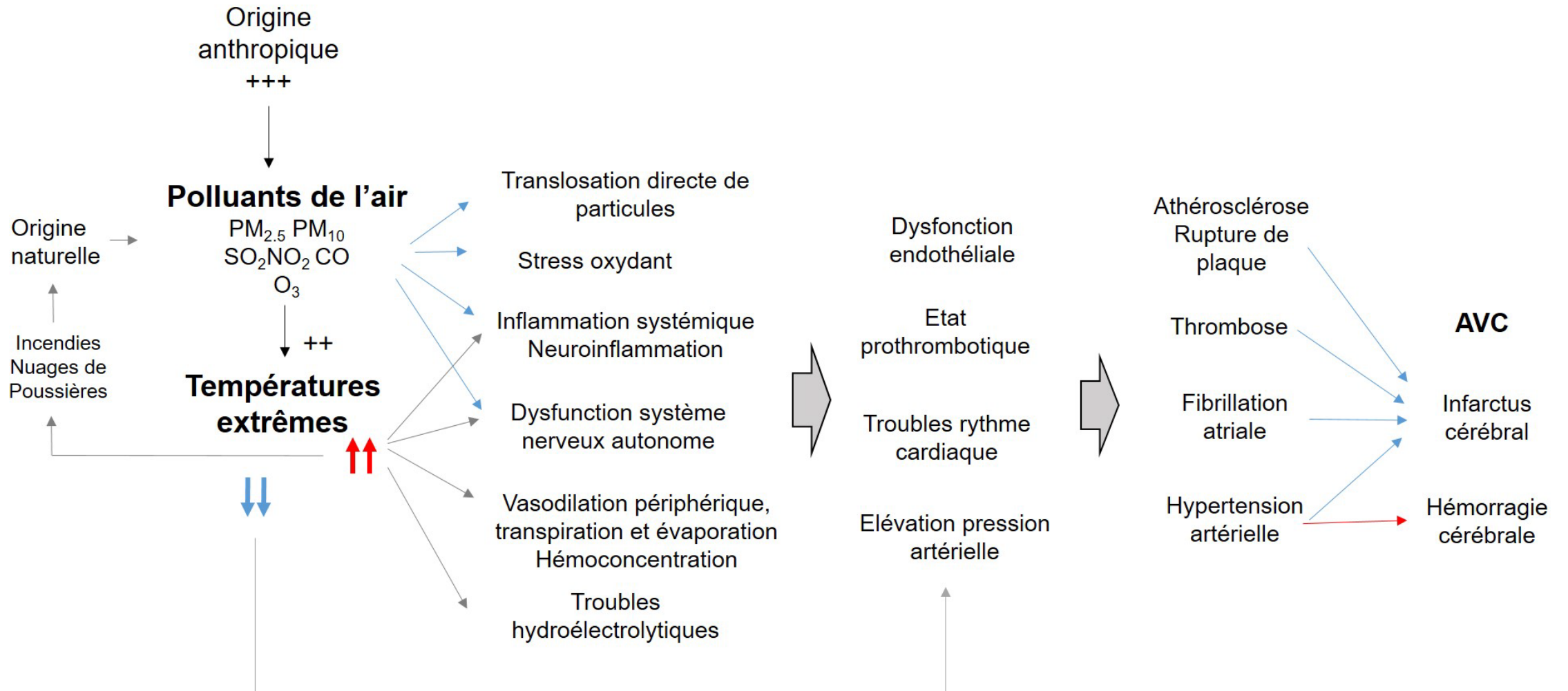
Sand and dust storms

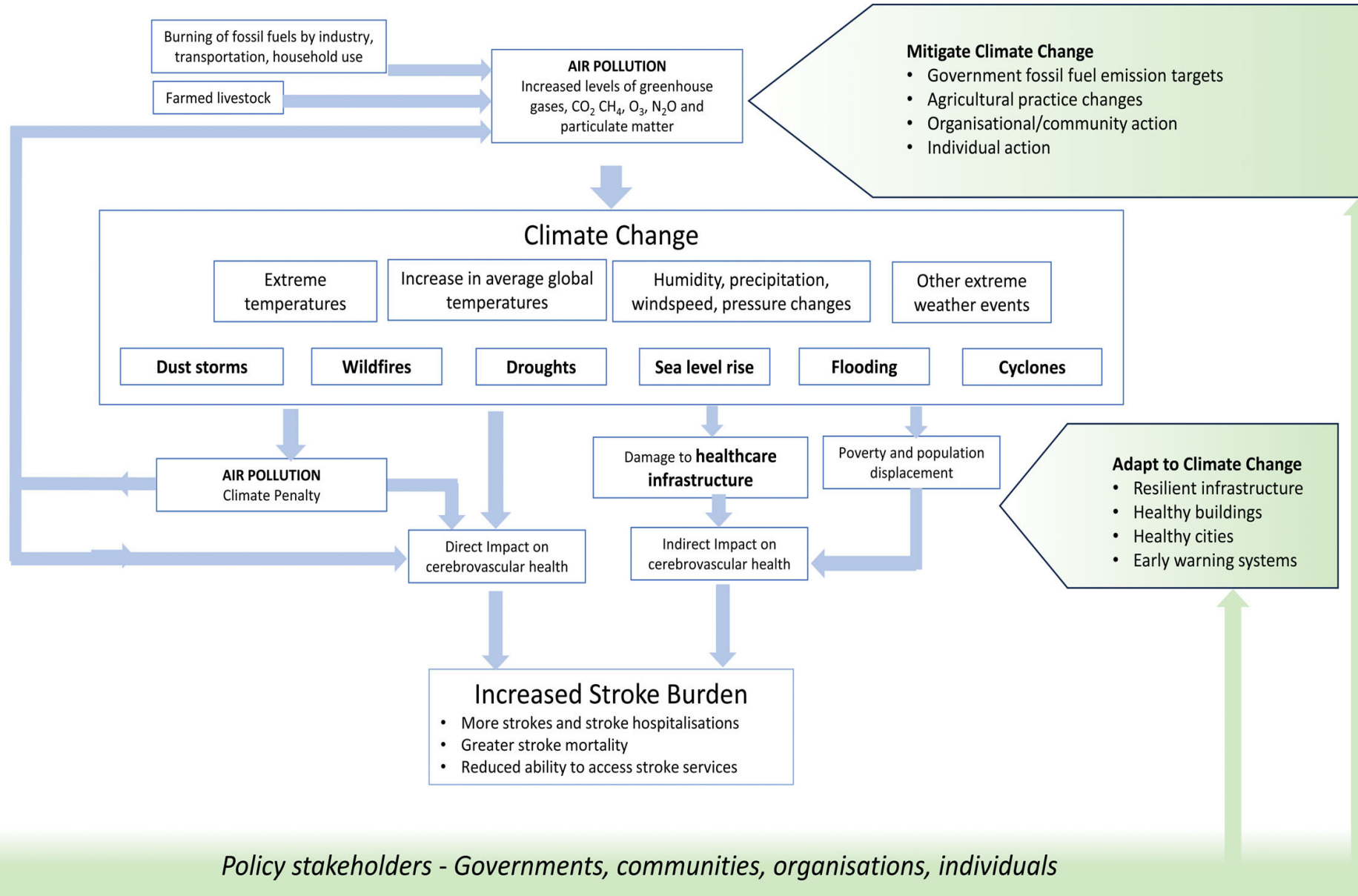


Mortality risk associated with sand and dust storms events at lag0 day

Pathophysiological approach

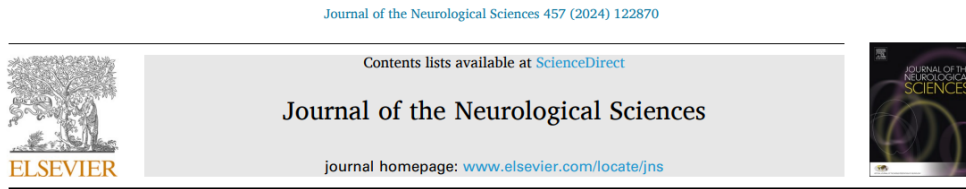
Béjot Y, Lettre du Neurologue 2025;3.





Green space and stroke

Whyte M, *J Neurol Sci.* 2024;457:122870



Green space and stroke: A scoping review of the evidence

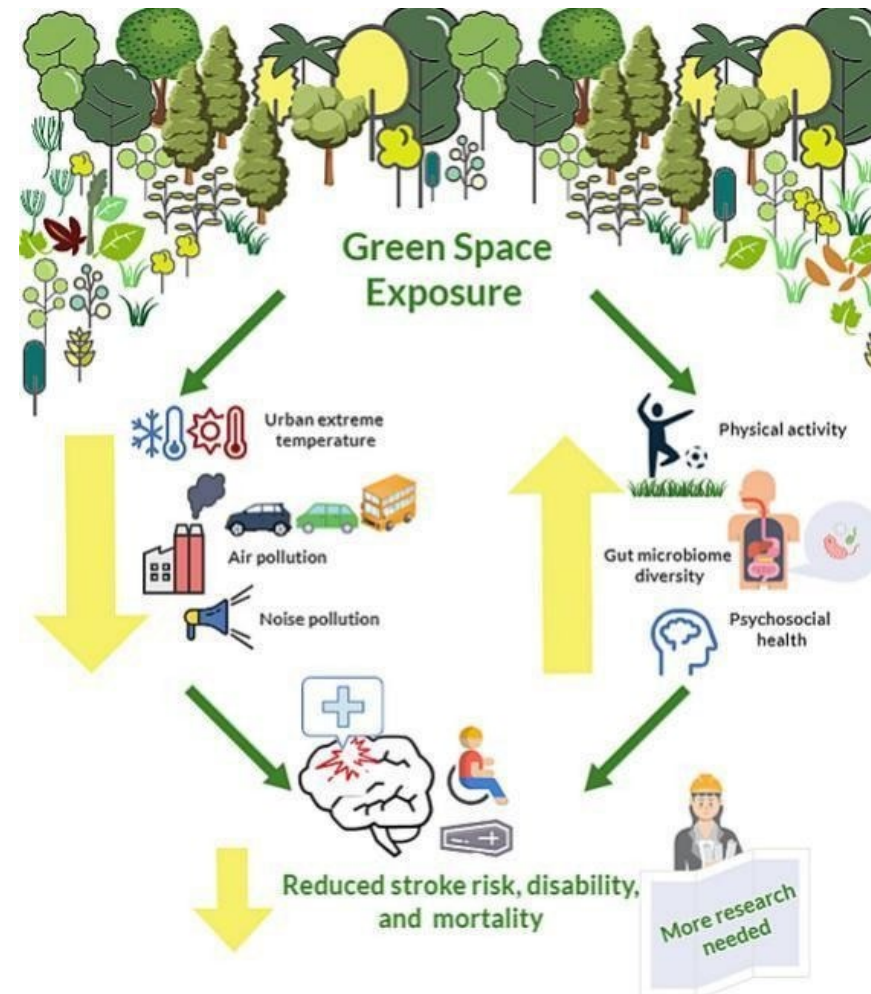
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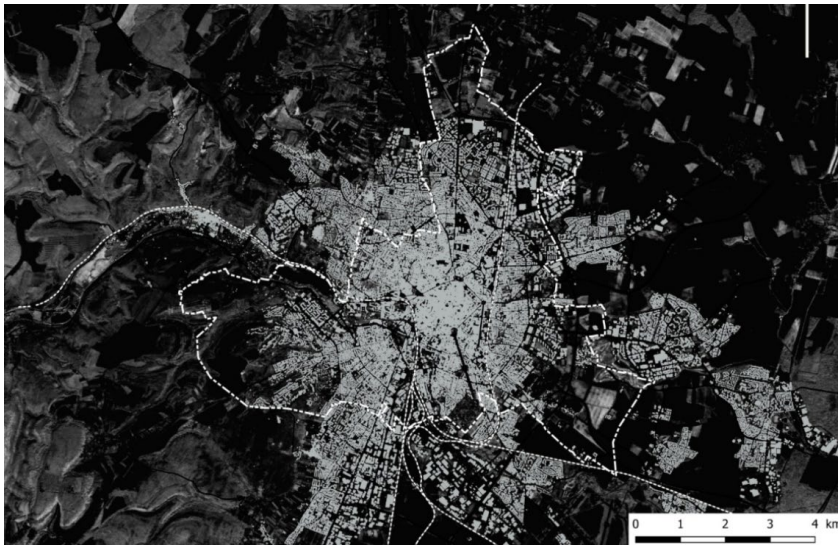
Protective association between green space exposure and:

- Stroke risk
- Stroke-related death
- Stroke-related disability



Green space and stroke

Dijon Stroke Registry (2005-2008)
First-ever ischemic stroke (n=360)
One-year recurrence / death



	Death after a first ischaemic stroke Hazard ratio [95% confidence interval] of green space variables			Recurrence after a first ischaemic stroke Hazard ratio [95% confidence interval] of green space variables		
	Model A-1 Crude Event: death (n = 15)	Model A-2 Model A-1 + sex, age, mRS score, FDEP	Model A-3 Model A-2 + previous 30 days PM ₁₀ concentrations	Model B-1 Crude Event: recurrence (n = 17)	Model B-2 Model B-1 + sex, age, mRS score, FDEP	Model B-3 Model B-2 + previous 30 days PM ₁₀ concentrations
Public greenness proximity						
Nearest public green space by city network ^a	1.04 [0.80, 1.36]	1.17 [0.90, 1.51]	1.17 [0.89, 1.52]	1.23 [1.02, 1.50] *	1.29 [1.07, 1.56] **	1.30 [1.07, 1.58] **
Greenness density						
Area of green space within 100 metres of residence ^b	1.08 [0.96, 1.23]	1.09 [0.96, 1.25]	1.07 [0.93, 1.22]	0.73 [0.54, 0.97] *	0.72 [0.54, 0.97] *	0.71 [0.53, 0.96] *
Area of green space within 400 metres of residence ^c	1.06 [0.97, 1.16]	1.10 [0.98, 1.22]	1.06 [0.95, 1.19]	0.80 [0.66, 0.98] *	0.77 [0.61, 0.97] *	0.76 [0.60, 0.96] *

^a Expressed for an increase of 100 metres
^b Expressed for an increase of 1,000 m²
^c Expressed for an increase of 10,000 m²
 FDEP: French deprivation index, mRS: modified Rankin scale
 Values in bold mean that they are statistically significant
 * $P < 0.05$ ** $P < 0.01$

By age groups, HR [95% CI] of green space variables on composite event risk after a first ischaemic stroke Event = death and/or recurrence Models adjusted for sex, mRS score, FDEP, previous 30 days PM ₁₀ concentrations			
	≤ 64 years (n event = 4)	65 – 79 years (n event = 9)	≥ 80 years (n event = 17)
Public greenness proximity			
Nearest public green space by city network ^a	1.12 [0.66, 1.88]	1.37 [1.10, 1.71] **	1.18 [0.92, 1.50]
Greenness density			
Area of green space within 100 metres of residence ^b	1.16 [0.92, 1.48]	0.92 [0.70, 1.21]	0.92 [0.77, 1.09]
Area of green space within 400 metres of residence ^c	1.11 [0.95, 1.31]	0.98 [0.80, 1.19]	0.87 [0.73, 1.04]

Soil and water pollution, and stroke

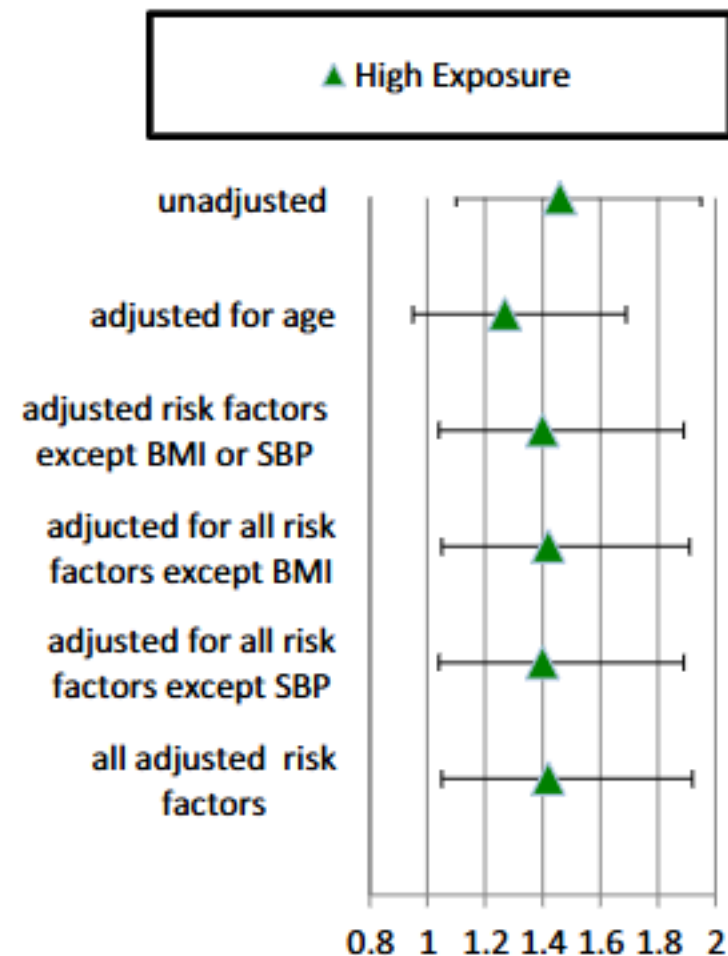
Pesticides

- 7557 Japanese-American men from the Kuakini Honolulu Heart Program
- Exposure estimation: Occupational Safety Health Administration exposure scale
- 10-year follow-up

Exposure Level	Total N	Incident CVD	Unadjusted Rates	Age-Adjusted Rates
Incidence rates of CVD for the first 10-y follow-up period				
No exposure	7016	550	8.34	8.48
Low-moderate exposure	110	5	4.74	4.28
High exposure	451	51	12.2	10.74

Coronary heart disease and stroke

Berg ZK, J Am Heart Assoc.2019;8:e012569

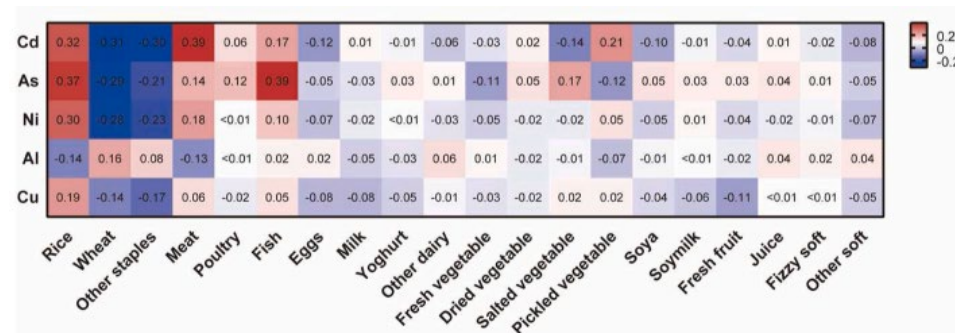


Soil and water pollution, and stroke

Metals exposure

Xu L, *Environ Res.* 2022;205:112535

19,380 adults in China during 2013–2014



Prevalence ratios of stroke by quintiles of urinary creatinine-corrected element levels

		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	P-trend ^c	Per SD
Cd	N _{case} /N _{no case}	261/3582	294/3548	273/3569	281/3561	191/3652		
	Model 1 ^a	Ref	1.23 (1.05–1.43)	1.26 (1.06–1.49)	1.47 (1.22–1.79)	1.35 (1.05–1.72)	0.003	1.14 (1.05–1.23)
	Model 2 ^b	Ref	1.22 (1.04–1.43)	1.26 (1.06–1.49)	1.46 (1.21–1.77)	1.34 (1.05–1.71)	0.003	1.13 (1.04–1.23)
As	N _{case} /N _{no case}	266/3577	239/3603	227/3615	239/3603	329/3514		
	Model 1 ^a	Ref	0.93 (0.79–1.11)	0.88 (0.73–1.06)	0.89 (0.73–1.08)	1.09 (0.90–1.32)	0.162	1.03 (0.96–1.10)
	Model 2 ^b	Ref	0.95 (0.80–1.12)	0.89 (0.74–1.08)	0.90 (0.74–1.10)	1.11 (0.92–1.35)	0.126	1.03 (0.97–1.10)
Ni	N _{case} /N _{no case}	251/3592	277/3565	258/3584	250/3592	264/3579		
	Model 1 ^a	Ref	1.07 (0.91–1.26)	0.99 (0.83–1.18)	0.98 (0.82–1.17)	1.10 (0.92–1.32)	0.528	1.04 (0.98–1.11)
	Model 2 ^b	Ref	1.07 (0.91–1.26)	0.99 (0.83–1.17)	0.98 (0.82–1.17)	1.09 (0.91–1.31)	0.587	1.04 (0.98–1.10)
Al	N _{case} /N _{no case}	209/3634	230/3612	265/3577	302/3540	294/3549		
	Model 1 ^a	Ref	0.97 (0.81–1.15)	1.03 (0.86–1.22)	1.11 (0.94–1.32)	1.03 (0.87–1.23)	0.360	1.05 (0.99–1.11)
	Model 2 ^b	Ref	0.97 (0.81–1.15)	1.03 (0.87–1.22)	1.11 (0.94–1.31)	1.03 (0.86–1.23)	0.381	1.05 (0.99–1.11)
Cu	N _{case} /N _{no case}	225/3618	263/3579	247/3595	260/3582	305/3538		
	Model 1 ^a	Ref	1.19 (1.01–1.41)	1.15 (0.97–1.37)	1.18 (0.99–1.40)	1.29 (1.09–1.53)	0.007	1.04 (0.98–1.10)
	Model 2 ^b	Ref	1.20 (1.01–1.41)	1.15 (0.97–1.37)	1.18 (0.99–1.39)	1.29 (1.09–1.53)	0.007	1.04 (0.98–1.10)

^a Model 1: adjusted for gender, age, region, education, household income, family history of CVDs, smoking, alcohol, physical activity, menopausal status, and BMI.

^b Model 2: model 1 plus diet categories.

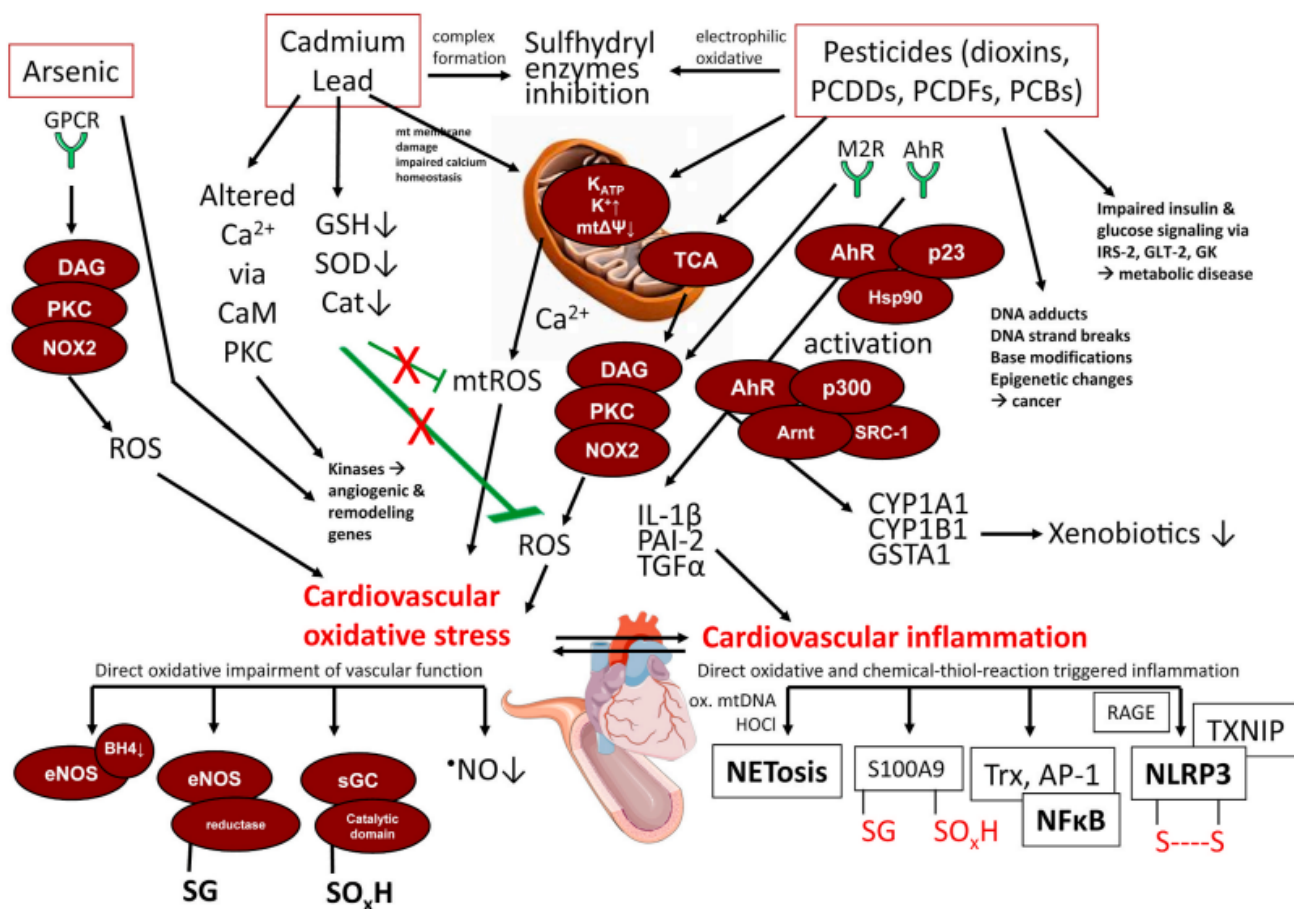
^c P-trend was obtained by assigning a median value to each quintile of urinary element and treating it as a continuous variable in the regression model.

cadmium (Cd)
arsenic (As)
nickel (Ni)
aluminum (Al)
copper (Cu)

Soil and water pollution, and stroke

Overview of pathophysiological mechanisms metals and pesticides

Münzel T, Atherosclerosis. 2025;403:119160

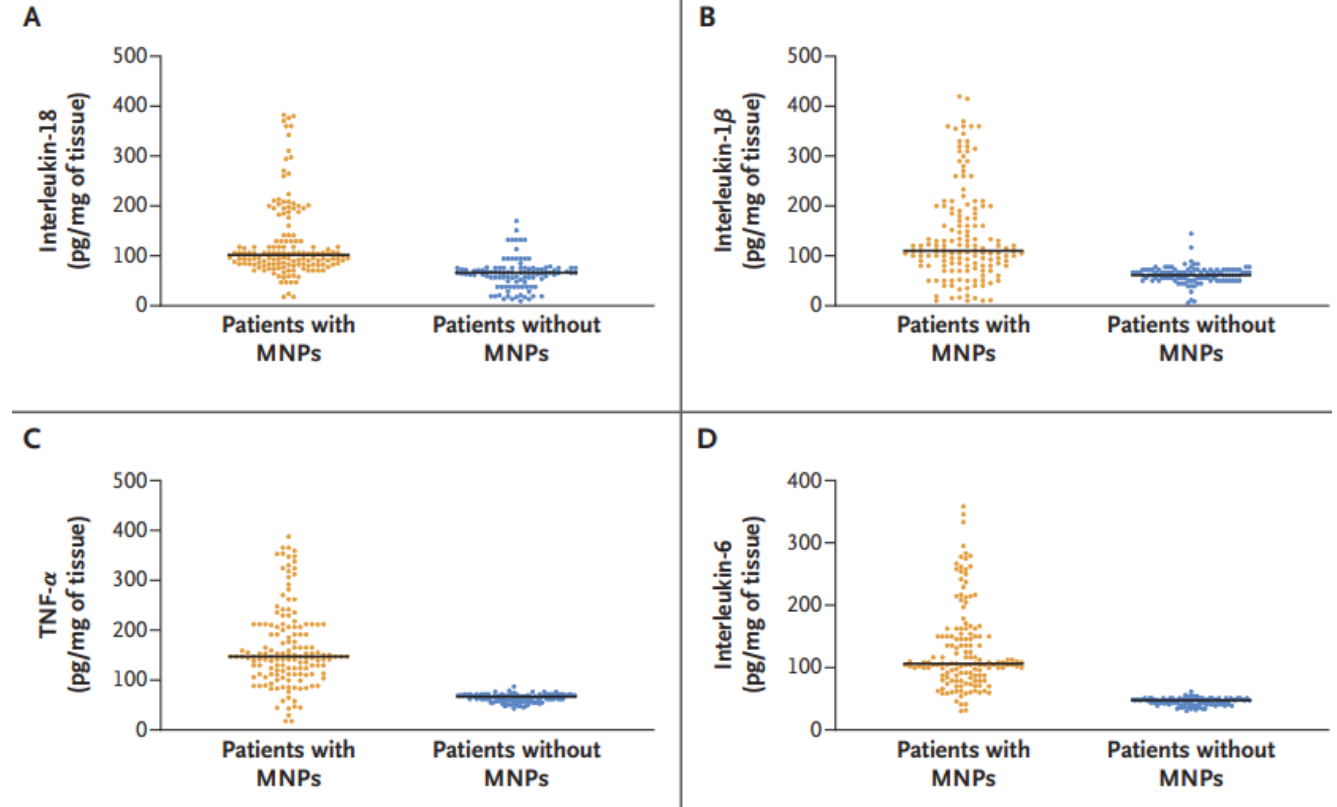
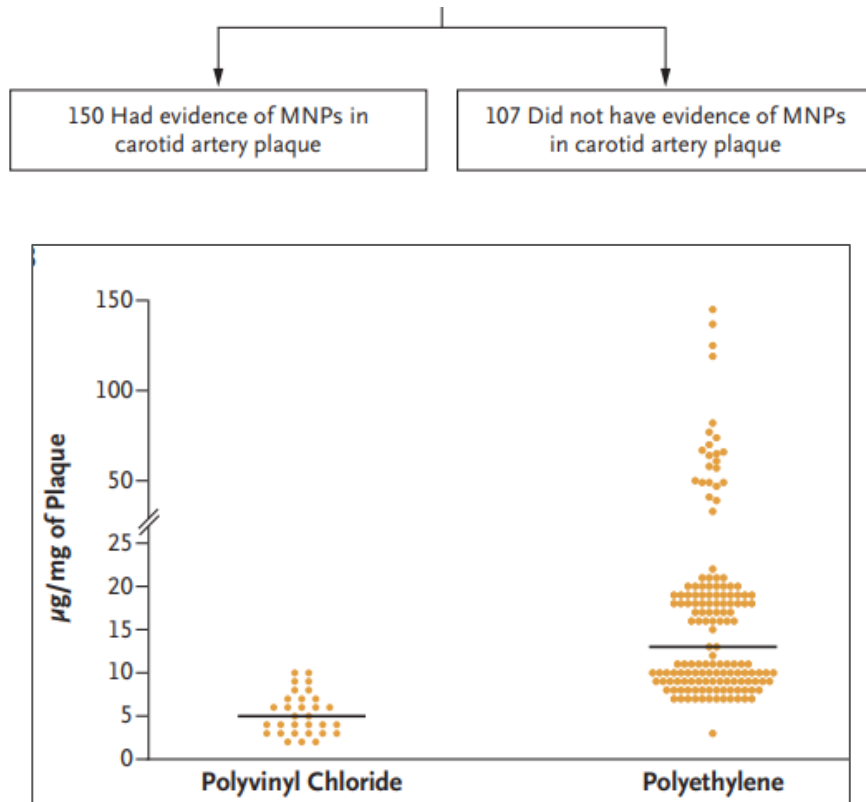


Soil and water pollution, and stroke

Micro- and nano-plastics

Marfella R, N Engl J Med 2024;390:900-10

257 patients with endarterectomy for asymptomatic carotid artery stenosis (>70%)
Mean ($\pm$ SD) follow-up of 33.7 ± 6.9 months

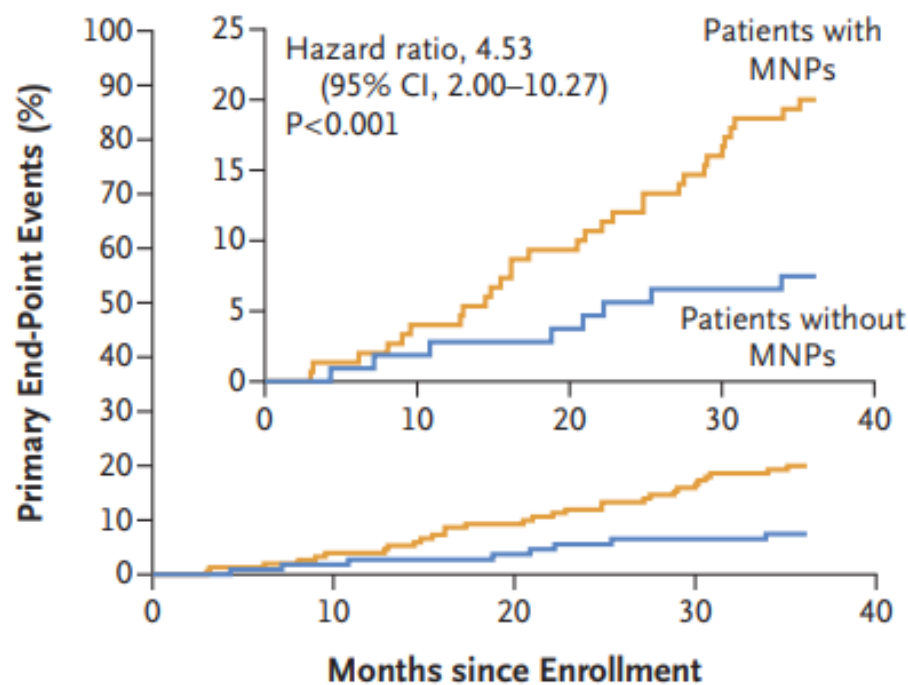


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Associations between the Presence of MNPs and Cardiovascular Events



No. at Risk

Patients with MNPs	150	144	136	126	120
Patients without MNPs	107	105	103	99	99

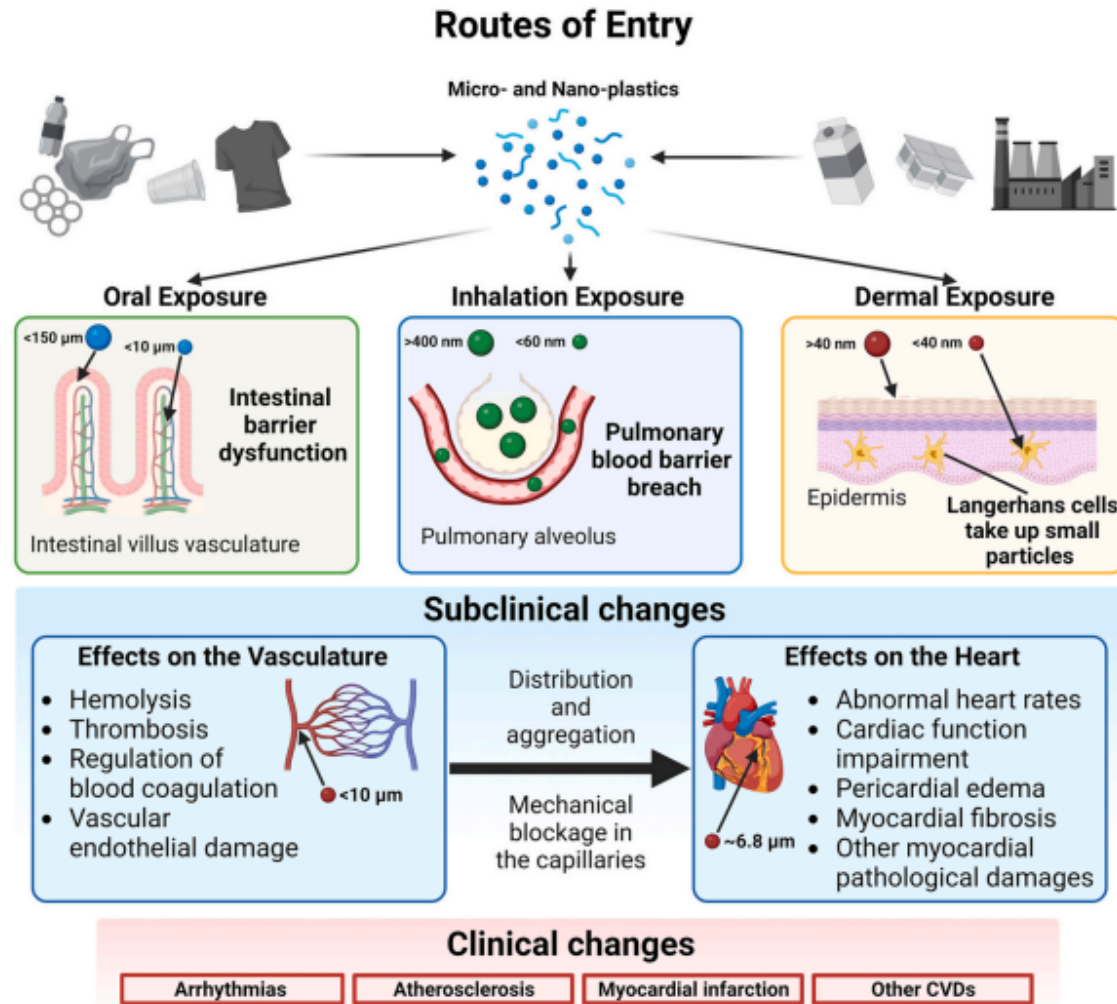
	Patients without micronanoplastics (n= 107)	Patients with micronanoplastics (n= 150)
Stroke — no.	5	14
Myocardial infarction — no.	2	10
All cause death — no.	1	6

nonfatal myocardial infarction, nonfatal
stroke, or death from any cause

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Münzel T, *Atherosclerosis*. 2025;403:119160



Conclusion

Criteria for causality in epidemiological research

1. Strength of the association.

The stronger the association between a risk factor and outcome, the more likely the relationship is to be causal



2. Consistency of findings

Have the same findings must be observed among different populations, in different study designs and different times?



3. Specificity of the association

There must be a one to one relationship between cause and outcome



4. Temporal sequence of association

Exposure must precede outcome



5. Biological gradient

Change in disease rates should follow from corresponding changes in exposure (dose-response)



6. Biological plausibility

Presence of a potential biological mechanism



7. Coherence

Does the relationship agree with the current knowledge of the natural history/biology of the disease?



8. Experiment

Does the removal of the exposure alter the frequency of the outcome?



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