

Cardiovascular risk factors in children and adolescents with type 1 diabetes

Introduction

Diabetics have an **increased risk of cardiovascular disease**

- ➔ In young adults with type 1 diabetes mellitus (T1DM) → cardiovascular events are principal cause of premature death
- ➔ In pediatric T1DM population → 35% have 2 or more cardiovascular risk factors (cvRF)

Aims

- 1 Determine prevalence of traditional cvRF in children and adolescents with T1DM
- 2 Identify association between presence of traditional cvRF and degree glycemic control

Methods

- **Study type:** retrospective hospital-based study
- **Population:** Portuguese children and adolescents with the diagnosis of T1DM
- **Sample:**
 - **Type:** convenience sample → T1DM patients with <18 yr followed in pediatric consultation of CHAA Guimarães
 - **Dimensions:** Total of 70 T1DM with <18 yr
➔ n = 59 (diagnostic for at least one year)
- **Source of information:** S-clinic[®] and single process
- **Outcomes:** age, gender, age of diagnosis, glicemic control, autoimmune (AI) disease, DM type of treatment, cvRF assessed were body mass index (BMI), blood pressure (BP), triglycerides (TG), high-density lipoprotein cholesterol (HDL) and low-density lipoprotein cholesterol (LDL)
- **Data analysis:** IMB SPSS[®] 21, (p <0.05)

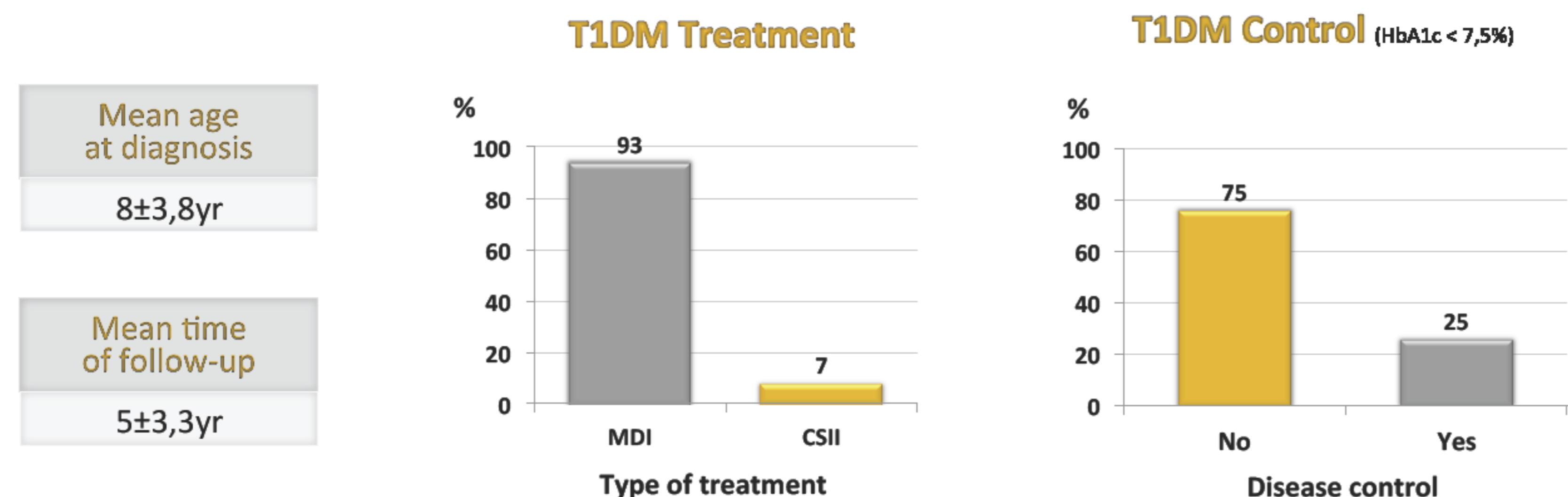
Results

n = 59 T1DM

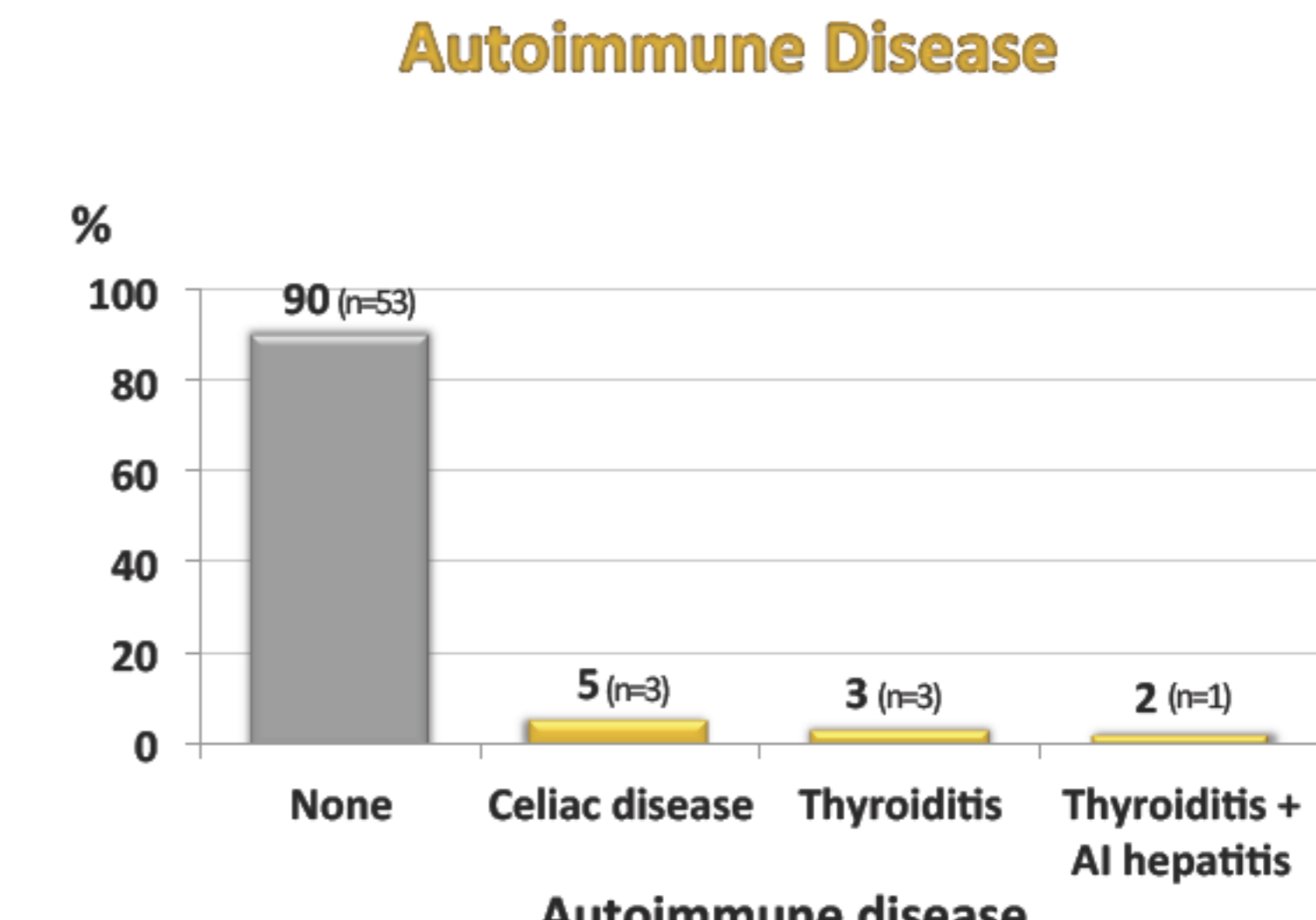
41% 59%

Mean age = 13±1.2 yr

TYPE 1 DIABETES

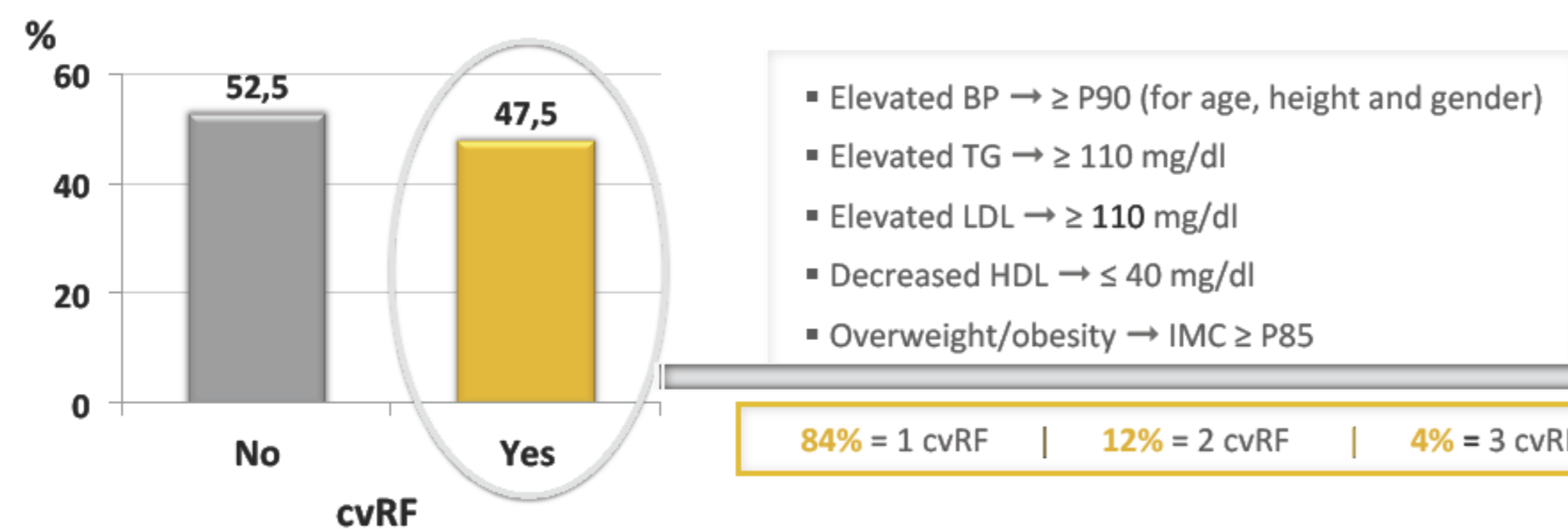


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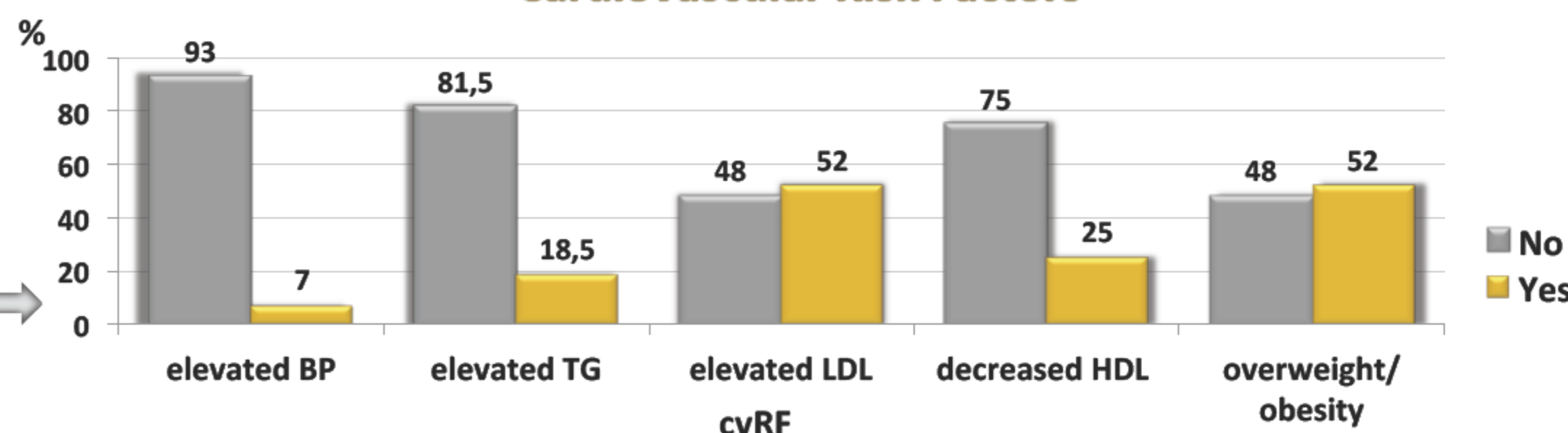


TRADITIONAL CARDIOVASCULAR RISK FACTORS

Prevalence of Traditional cvRF



Cardiovascular Risk Factors



CVRF	No	Yes	Mean age at diagnosis*	Time of disease duration	Current mean age	Gender		Disease control		AI diseases	
						♂	♀	No	Yes	No	Yes
			9.1±4.0yr	54.5±3.3yr	13.5±4.3yr	63%	63%	62%	64%	62%	67%
			7.1±3.3yr	5.2±3.2yr	12.3±4.1yr	37%	37%	38%	36%	38%	33%

*p<0.05

Conclusion

- According to our study...
 - ✓ High frequency of cvRF in children and adolescents with T1DM
 - ✓ An early age at time of diagnosis is associated with more elevated prevalence of cvRF, and it was independent of disease duration
- Importance of early and systematic screening for cardiovascular risk factors → Early intervention should be considered in all patients at risk