

Celebrating 30 years of the MIDSPAN Studies



**Haemostasis and thrombosis
in the MIDSPAN study**

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Inheritance of Hemophilia

Equal Chance with Each Pregnancy





LOW CLOTTING FACTORS INCREASE BLEEDING, BUT DECREASE THROMBOSIS

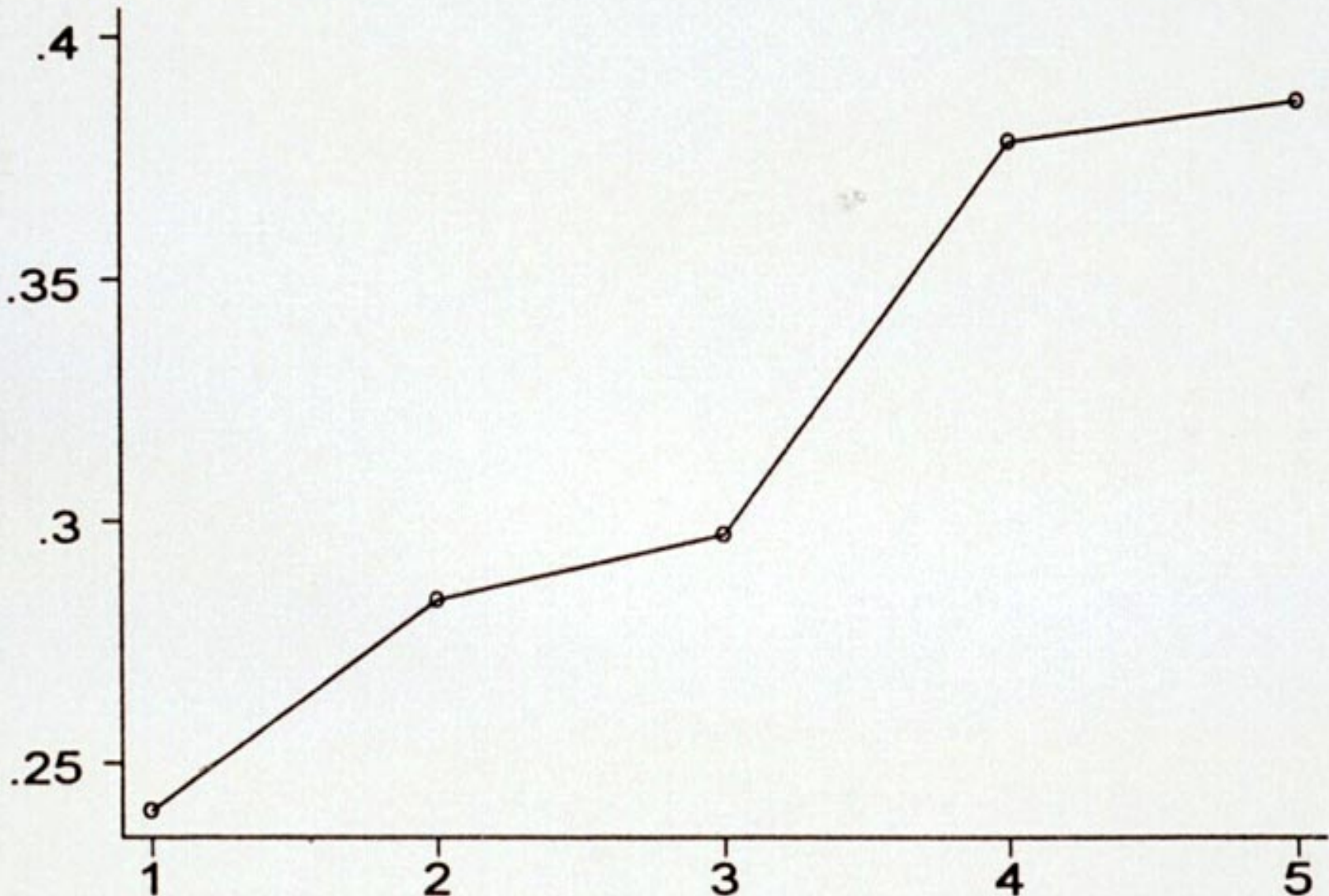
e.g. haemophilia (x-linked recessive)

	Level	CHD risk
Normal	100%	1
Carrier female	50%	0.7
Haemophilia male	<20%	0.2

(Rosendaal et al 1991; Sramek et al 2003)



Point estimate of DVT risk



Factor VIIIc

LOW COAGULATION INHIBITION (FACTOR V LEIDEN) AND THROMBOSIS

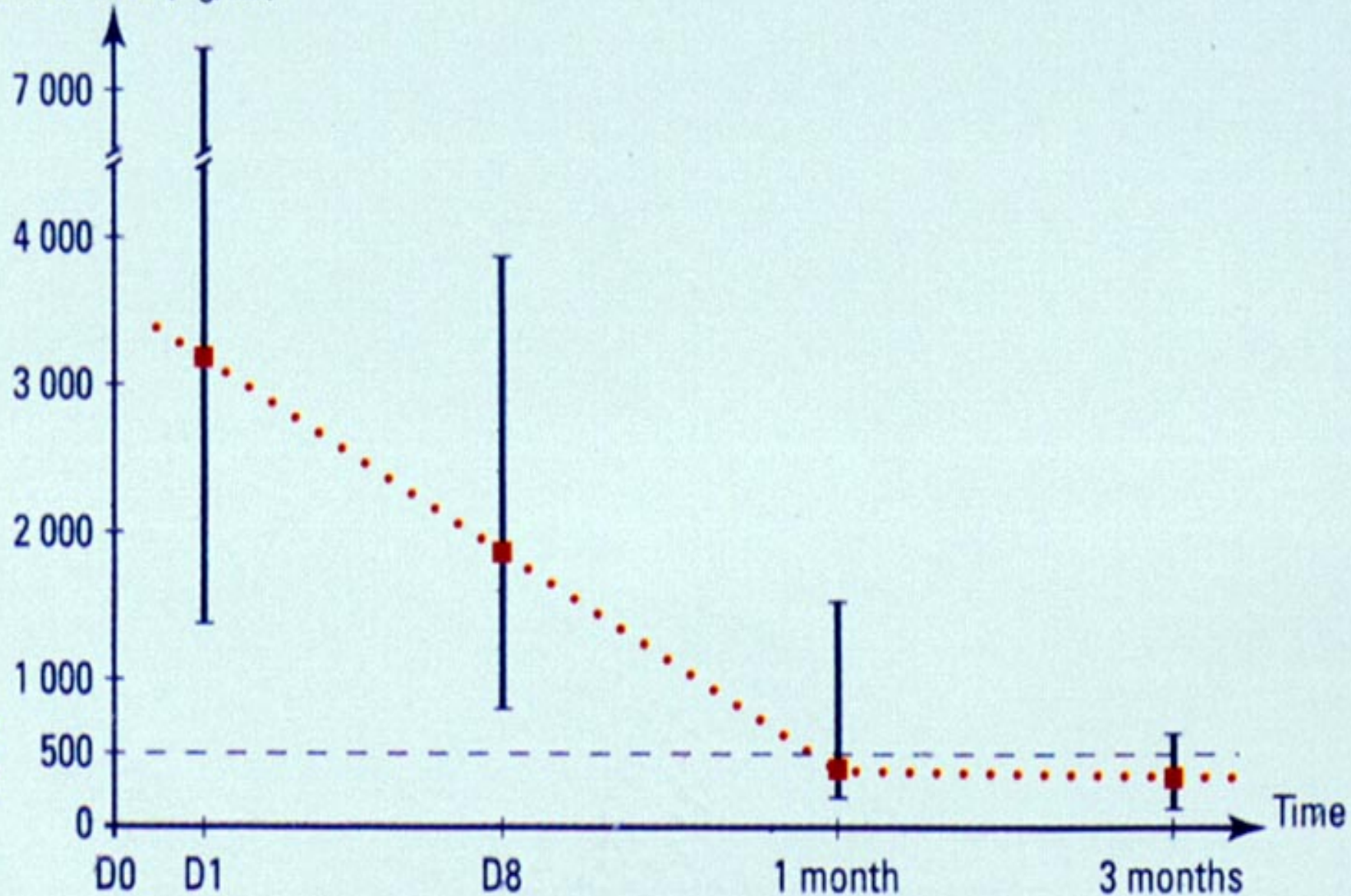
- Genetic cause (Bertina et al, 1994) of resistance to activated protein C (natural anticoagulant, Dahlback et al 1993); 3% of population (Lowe et al, 1999,2001)
- Venous thrombosis 5.0 (Rosendaal et al,1995)
- CHD 1.25 (Ye et al, 2005)

COAGULATION ACTIVATION (D-DIMER)

- Heritability 70% (Ariens et al, 2002; Banfield et al, 2005)
- Venous thrombosis 1.7 (Lowe et al, 1999; Prandoni et al, 2004)
- CHD 1.7 (Lowe et al, 1998)

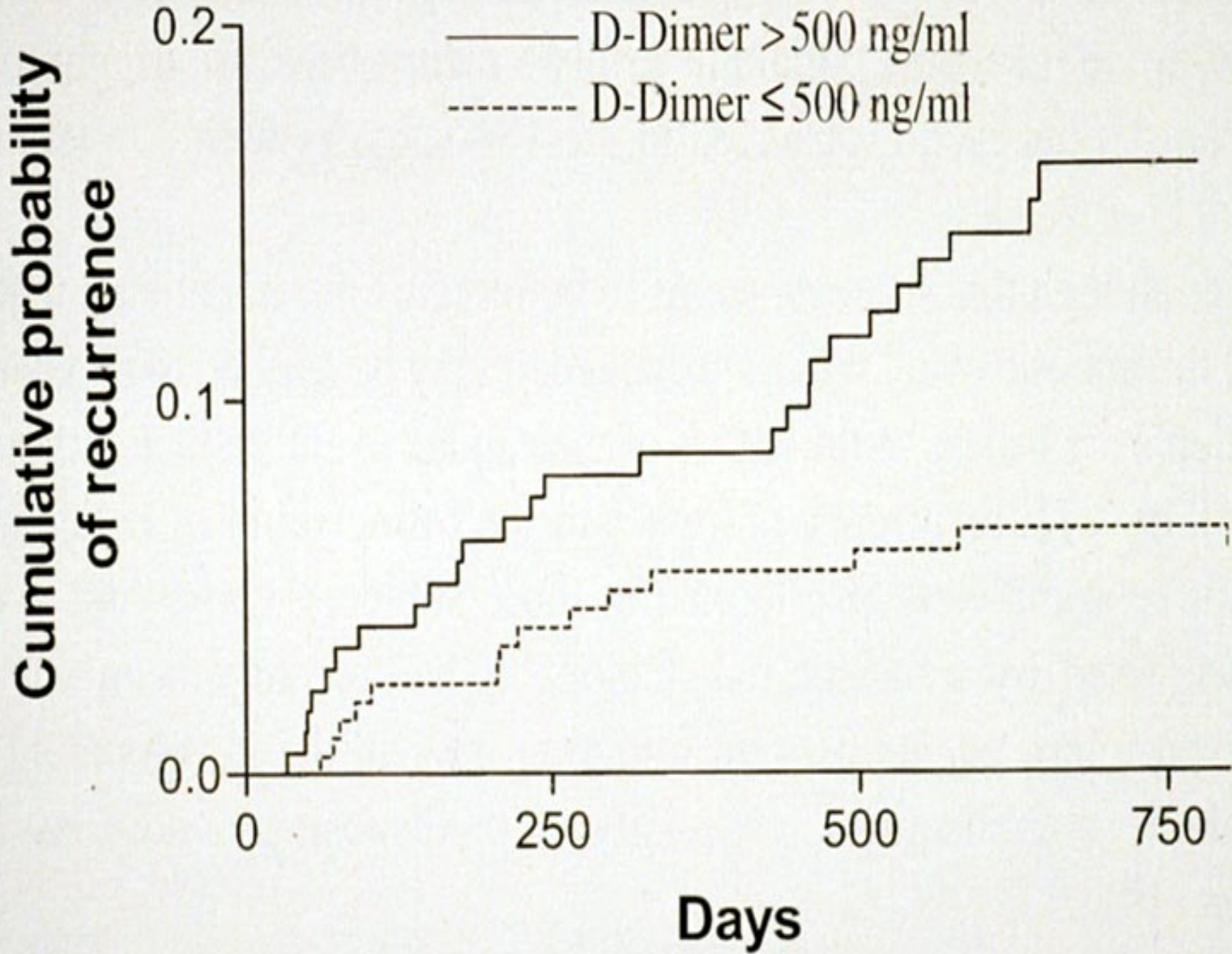
D-Dimer titer (ng/ml)

decision-making threshold

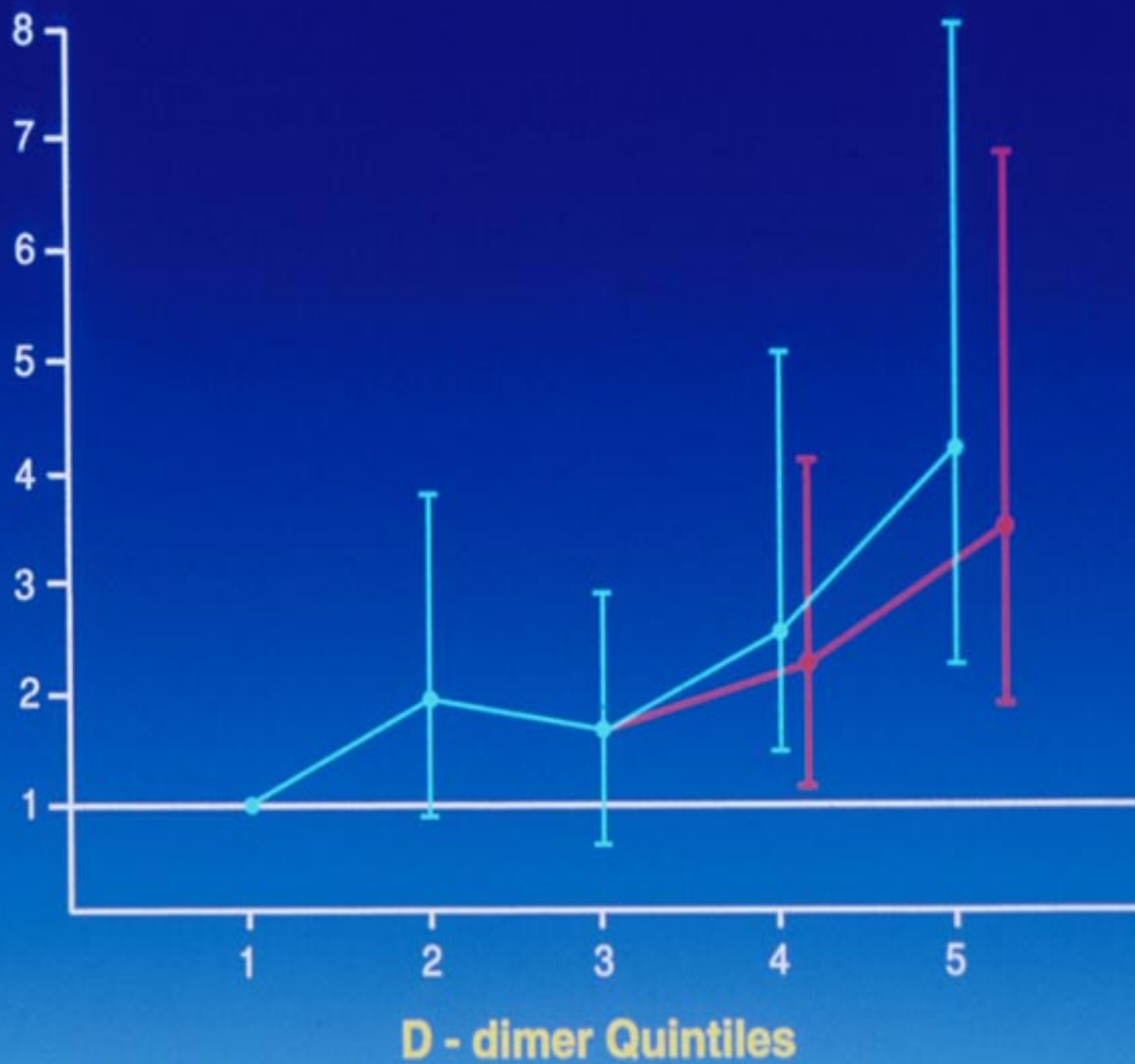


Heparin

Oral anticoagulant therapy



Relative odds of IHD



D-DIMER AND CHD

Thrombosis Prevention Trial showed that low dose Warfarin lowers risk of CHD, if lowers D-dimer (McCallum et al, 2004)

MIDSPAN AND HAEMOSTASIS

- Heritability
- CHD risk factors
- COC and HRT
 - 3 X DVT
 - 1.5 x stroke, CHD
 - mechanisms?

ORAL OESTROGENS AND COAGULATION

- ↑ factor IX
- ↓ antithrombin
- ↑ resistance to APC (like V Leiden)
- ↑ D-dimer
- ↑ CRP
- All associated with DVT, especially in HRT users (Lowe et al, 1999)

MIDSPAN STUDIES OF FEMALE HORMONES AND COAGULATION

- No effect of transdermal HRT, cf. oral HRT (Lowe et al, 2001)
- No effect of progesterone–only OCP, cf. COC (Rumley et al, 2003)
- Consistent with no DVT risk in epidemiological studies (Scarabin et al, 2003)
- Consider in women at increased thrombotic risk

CONCLUSIONS

- Haemostatic factors are associated with increased risk of arterial and venous thrombosis in epidemiological studies
- May be biological basis for associations
- May predict high risk groups for selection of therapies (e.g. oral contraceptives and HRT) or antithrombotic therapies