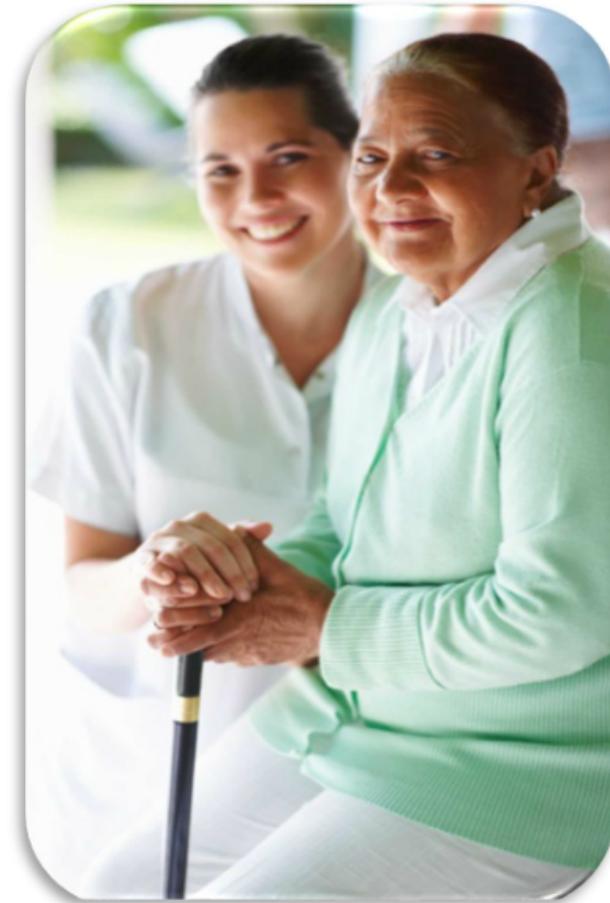




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# *Stemming the Flood: Treatment for Urinary Incontinence*



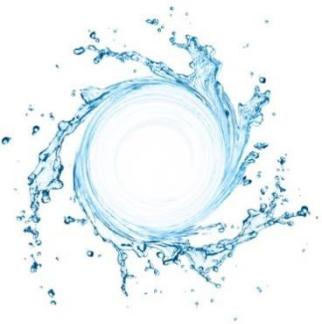
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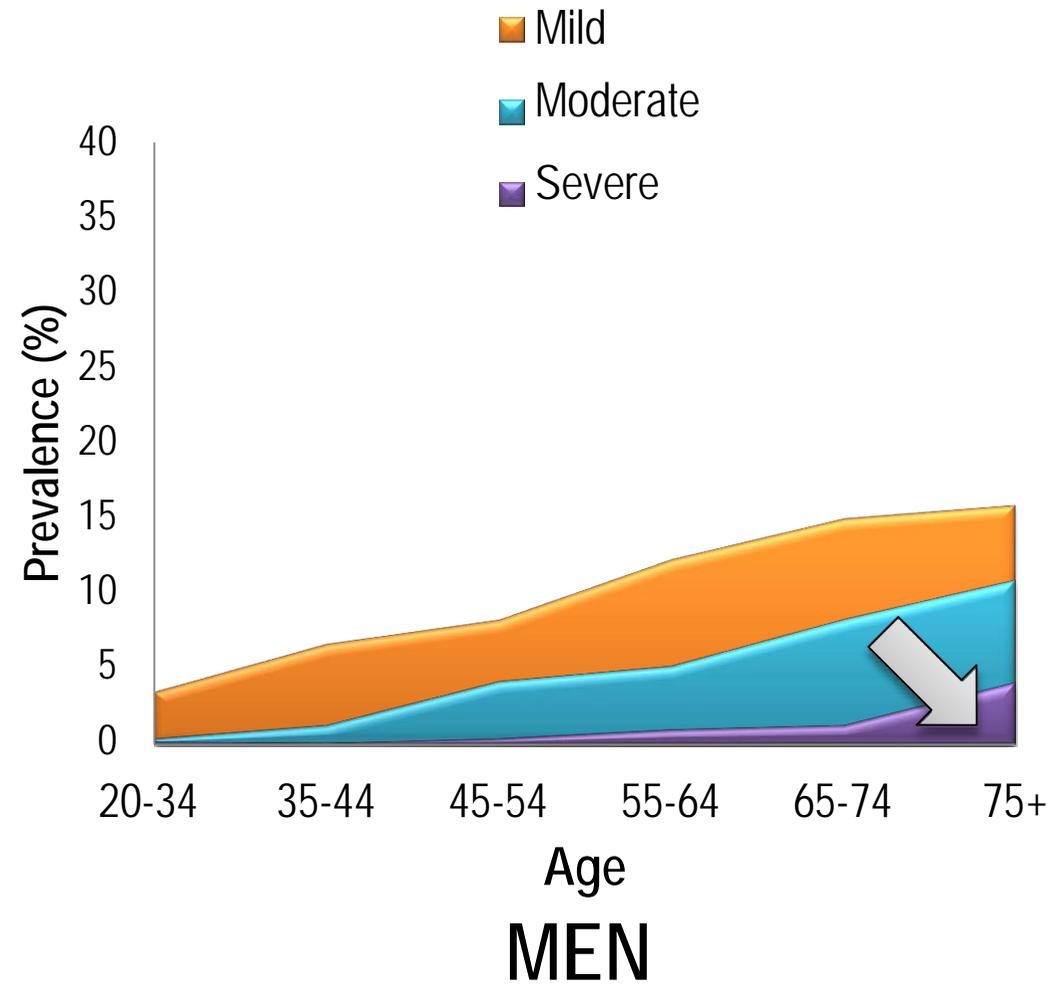
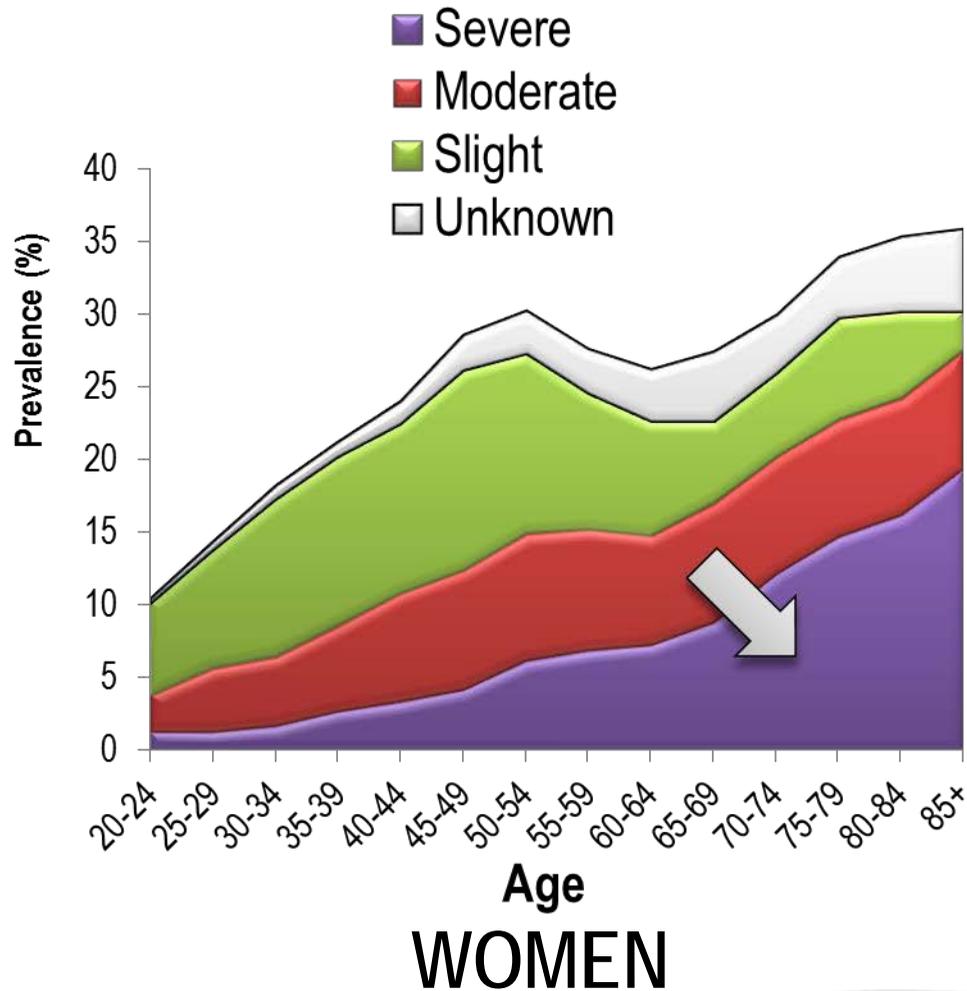


# Objectives

- Describe the pathophysiology of UI.
- Discuss the evaluation and referral criteria for UI.
- Describe behavioral and pharmacologic treatments for UI.
- Discuss neuromodulation and sphincter replacement therapies for UI.

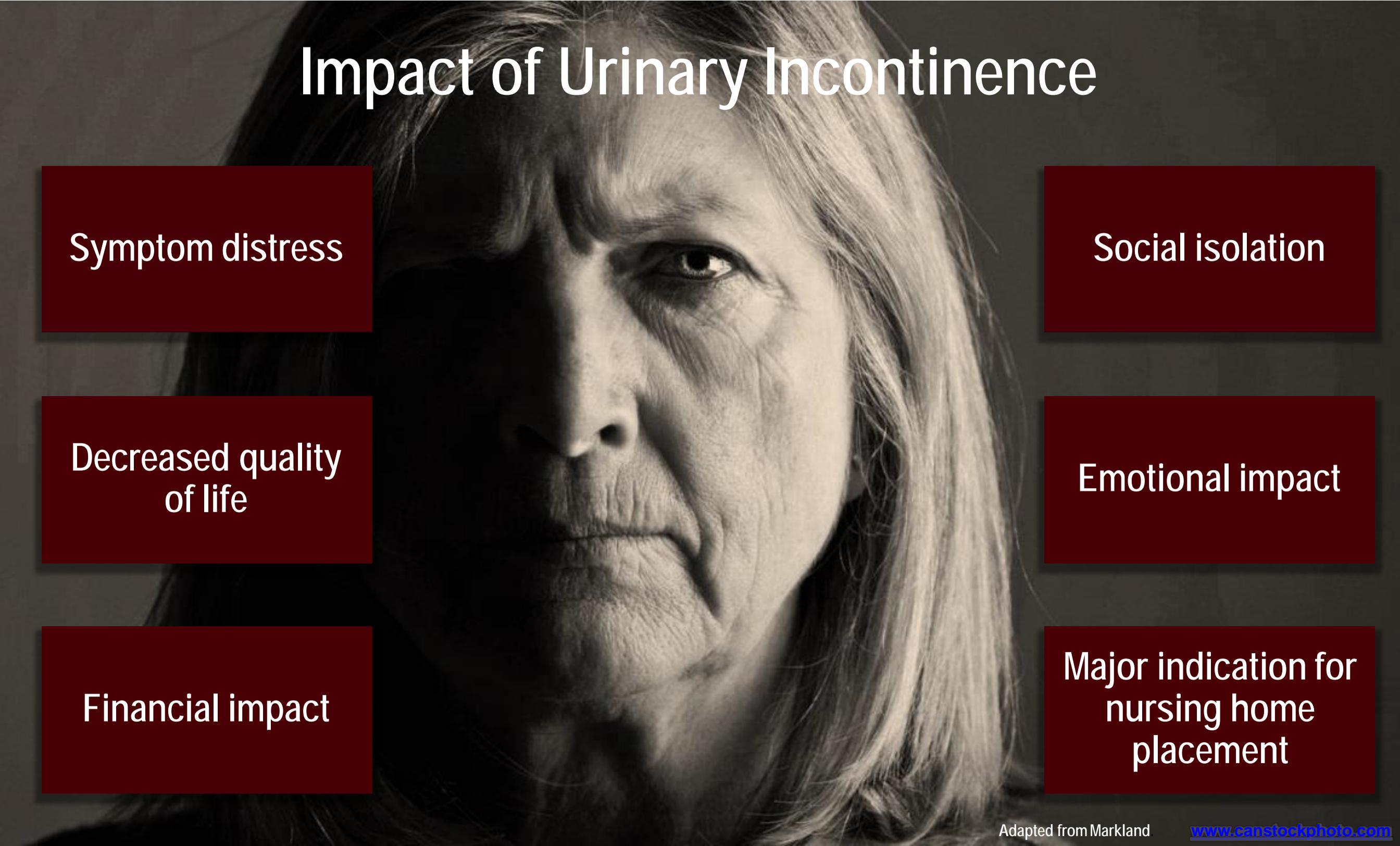


# Prevalence of Urinary Incontinence: Women & Men



Burgio, K. L., K. A. Matthews, and B. T. Engel.  
*The Journal of urology* 146.5 (1991): 1255-1259.

# Impact of Urinary Incontinence



Symptom distress

Social isolation

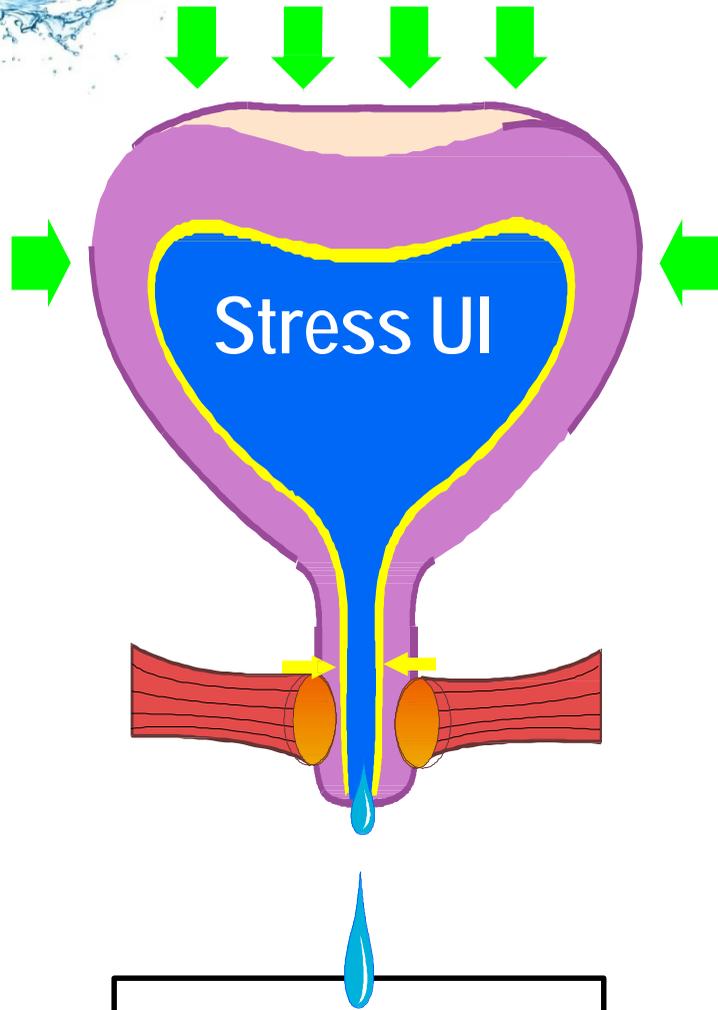
Decreased quality  
of life

Emotional impact

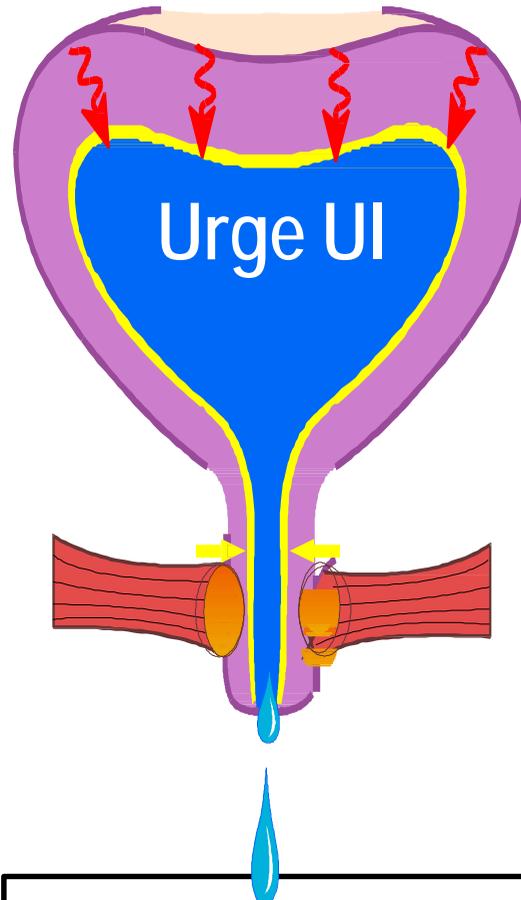
Financial impact

Major indication for  
nursing home  
placement

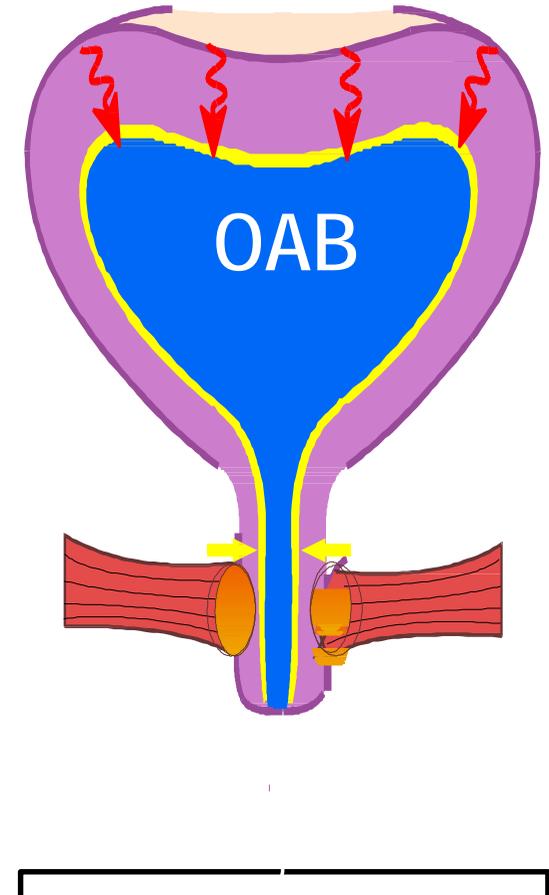
# Types of UI



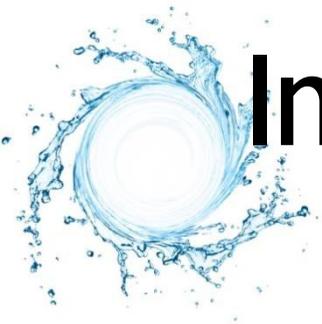
 Sudden increase in abdominal pressure  
 Urethral pressure



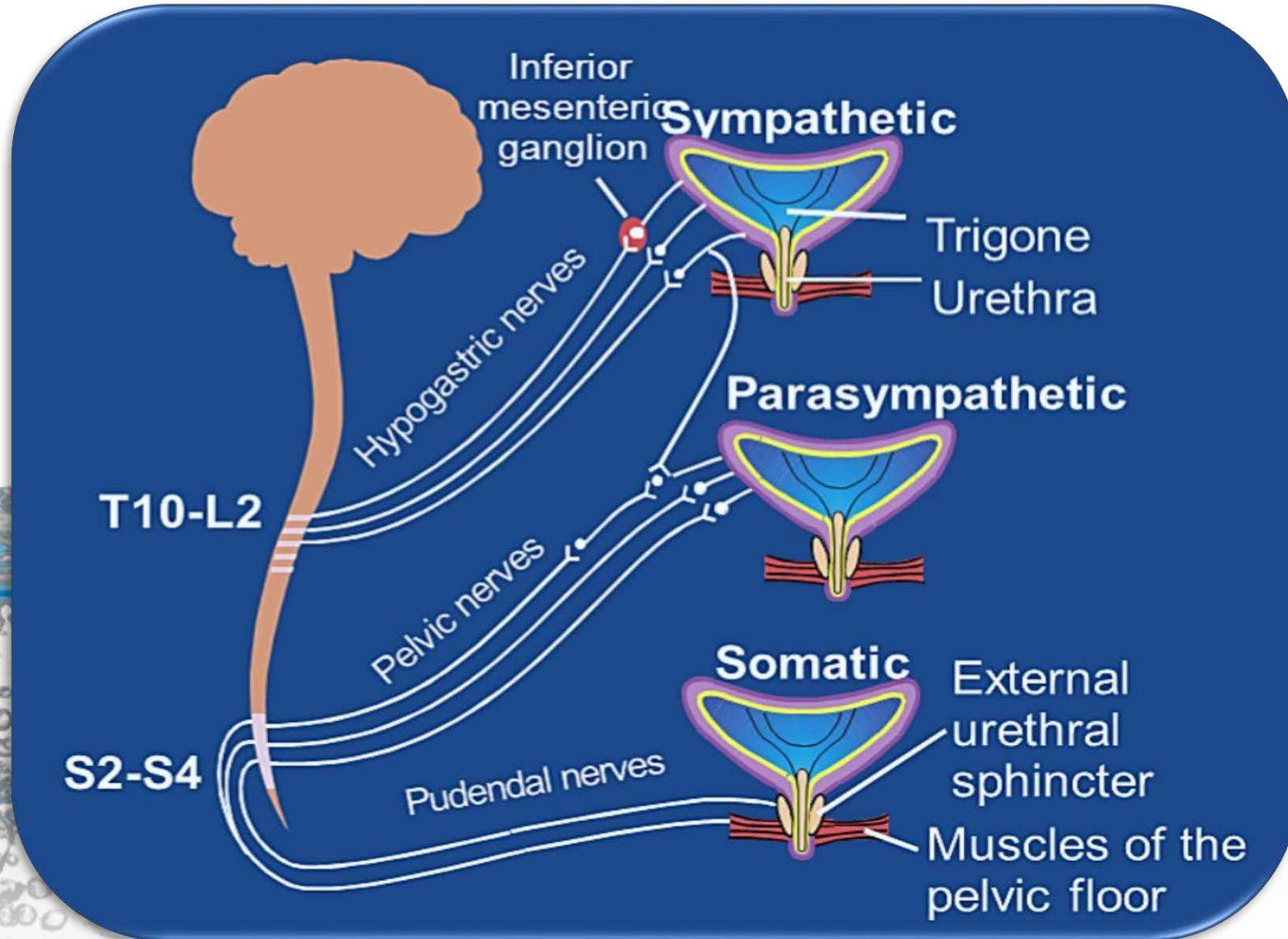
 Involuntary detrusor contractions  
 Urethral pressure

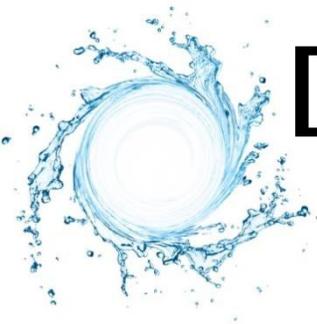


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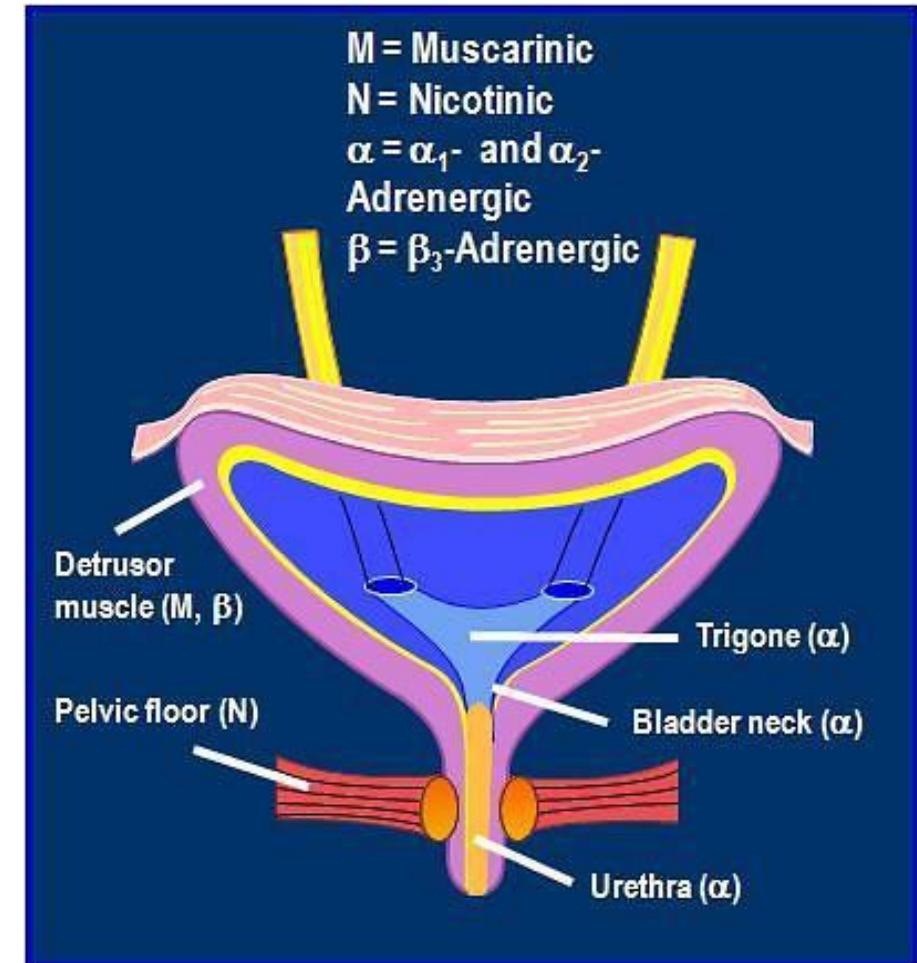
# Innervation of the Lower Urinary Tract (LUT)





# Distribution of Cholinergic and Adrenergic Receptors

- Human bladder smooth muscle contains primarily M2 (66%) and M3 (33%) subtypes.
- Activation of M3 receptors is primary stimulus for bladder contraction.
- $\beta_3$  adrenoceptor mediates detrusor muscle relaxation.





# Screening for UI

## During the last 3 months did you leak urine:

- When you were performing some physical activity such as: coughing, sneezing, lifting or exercising? **STRESS INCONTINENCE**
- When you had the urge or the feeling that you needed to empty your bladder, but you could not get to the toilet fast enough? **URGE INCONTINENCE**
- Without any physical activity or without a sense of urgency? **OTHER INCONTINENCE**

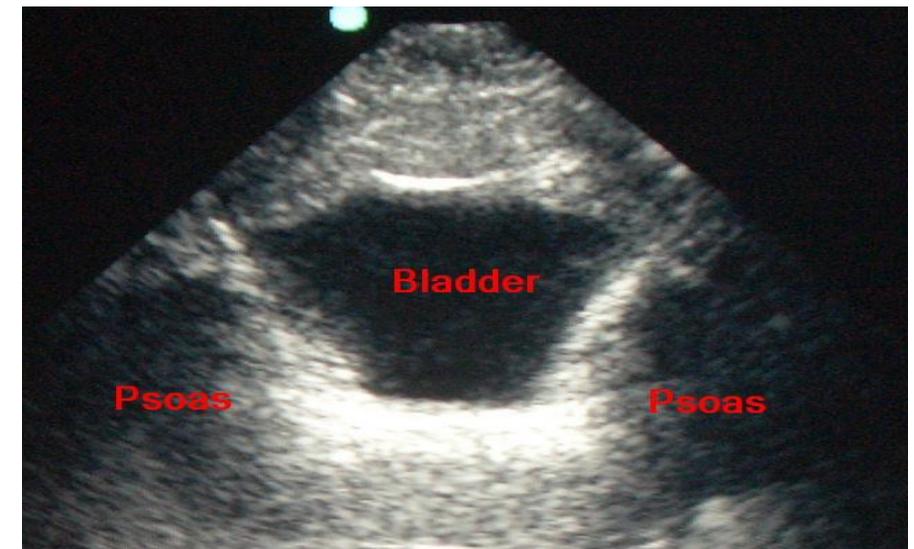
**Which one most often?**



# Evaluation of UI

- History: Bladder diary
- Physical examination, especially Genitourinary and Neurological
- Bladder stress test
- Postvoid residual volume
- Urinalysis, urine culture if indicated
- BUN, creatinine, fasting glucose

24 Hour Bladder Diary			Date 12/03/14		
Time	Drinks		Urine		Pads
	Amount (ml)	Type	Amount (ml)	Bladder Sensation	
6am WAKE			500	2	
7 am	300	Water			
8 am			✓	2	
9 am					
10 am	Cup	Tea	LEAK	3	✓
11 am					
Midday					
1 pm					



<http://www.erpocketbooks.com/er-ultrasounds/trauma-ultrasounds-from-the-ed/>



# Potentially Reversible Factors

**D**elirium/**D**rugs

**I**nfection – UTI vs. asymptomatic bacteriuria

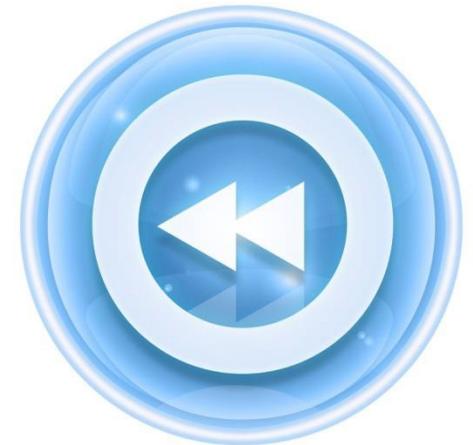
**A**trophic Urethritis

**P**sychological - Depression, Dementia

**E**ndocrine – Diabetes

**R**estricted Mobility

**S**tool Impaction (Constipation)





# Drugs Potentially Contributing to UI

ACE inhibitors

Antipsychotics

Alcohol

Alpha Blockers

Anticholinergics

Caffeine

Calcium Channel  
Blockers

Diuretics

Narcotics

Sedatives





# Case 1: Mrs. G

78 y/o with worsening UI. Symptoms of urgency and large volume loss, also loss with laughing and sneezing. HTN, Diabetes Type 2, Insomnia and worsening UI Symptoms, no Dysuria or Hematuria.

Habits: 3 cups coffee daily  
2 glasses of wine at dinner

Meds: HCTZ  
Metoprolol  
Glipizide  
Benadryl





# Case 1: Mrs. G

## Exam:

mild atrophy  
mild cystocele  
weak pelvic squeeze

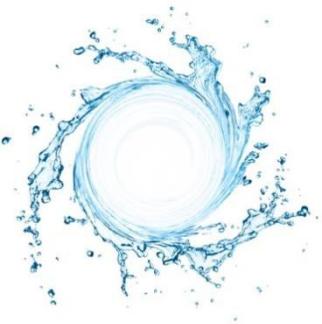
## Urinalysis:

1+ glucose  
4 WBC  
8 epithelial cells

Glucose: 185

PVR: 90 mL





# Treatment Options for UI

- Behavioral
- Pharmacological
- Neuromodulation
- Surgery





# What should you prescribe first?

- A. Stop Caffeine
- B. Stop HCTZ
- C. Stop Wine
- D. Stop Benadryl
- E. All of the Above

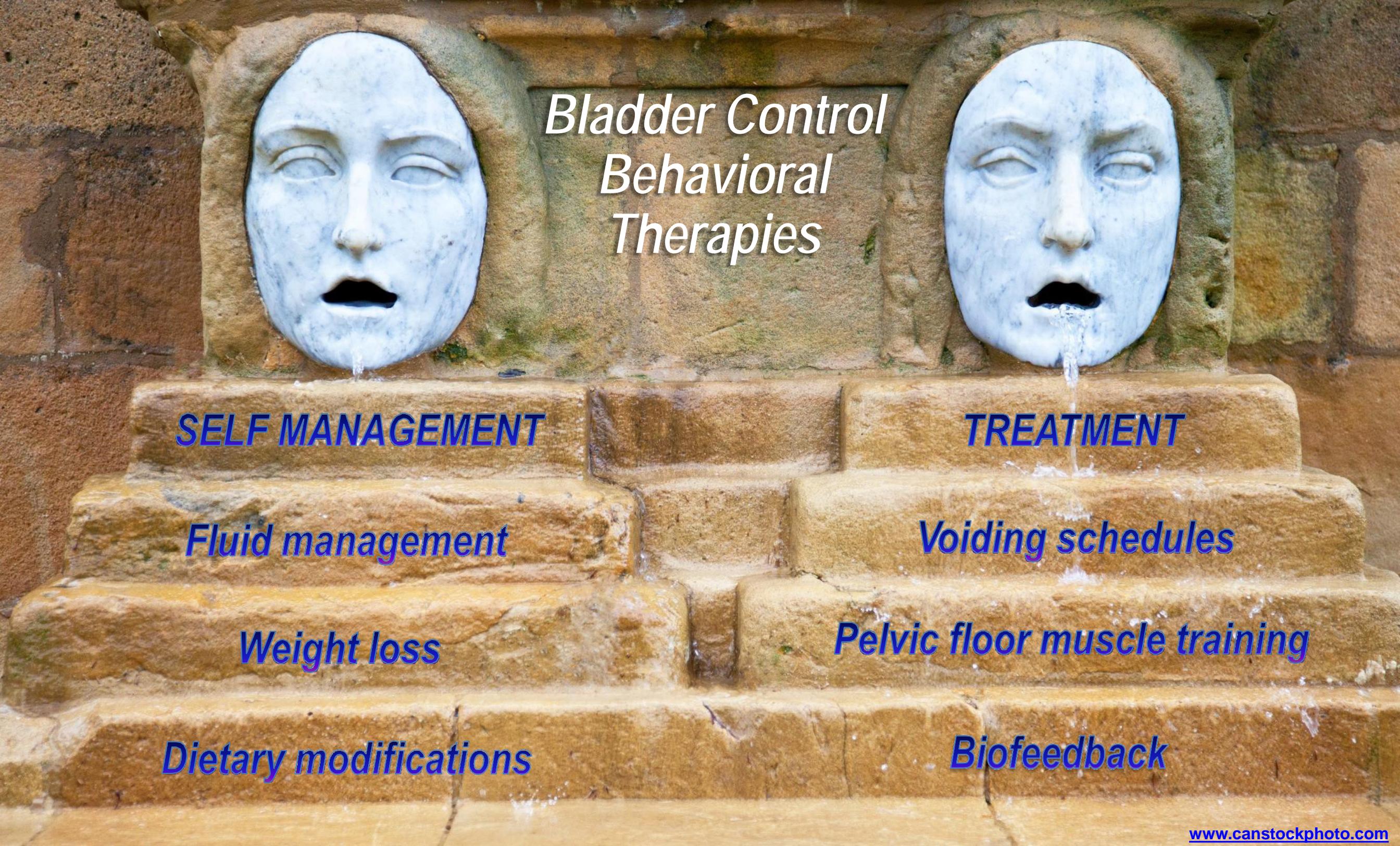




# What should you prescribe next?

- A. Pelvic floor exercises
- B. Scheduled voiding
- C. Anticholinergic drug
- D. Botox Injection





*Bladder Control  
Behavioral  
Therapies*

***SELF MANAGEMENT***

***Fluid management***

***Weight loss***

***Dietary modifications***

***TREATMENT***

***Voiding schedules***

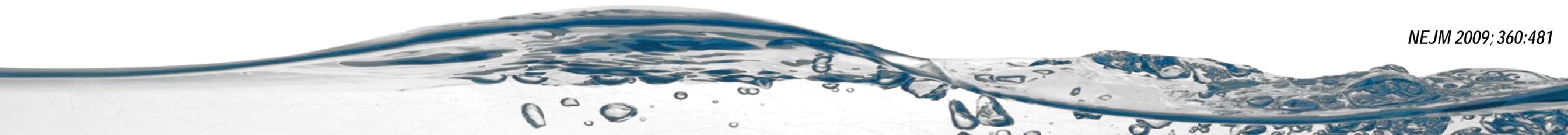
***Pelvic floor muscle training***

***Biofeedback***

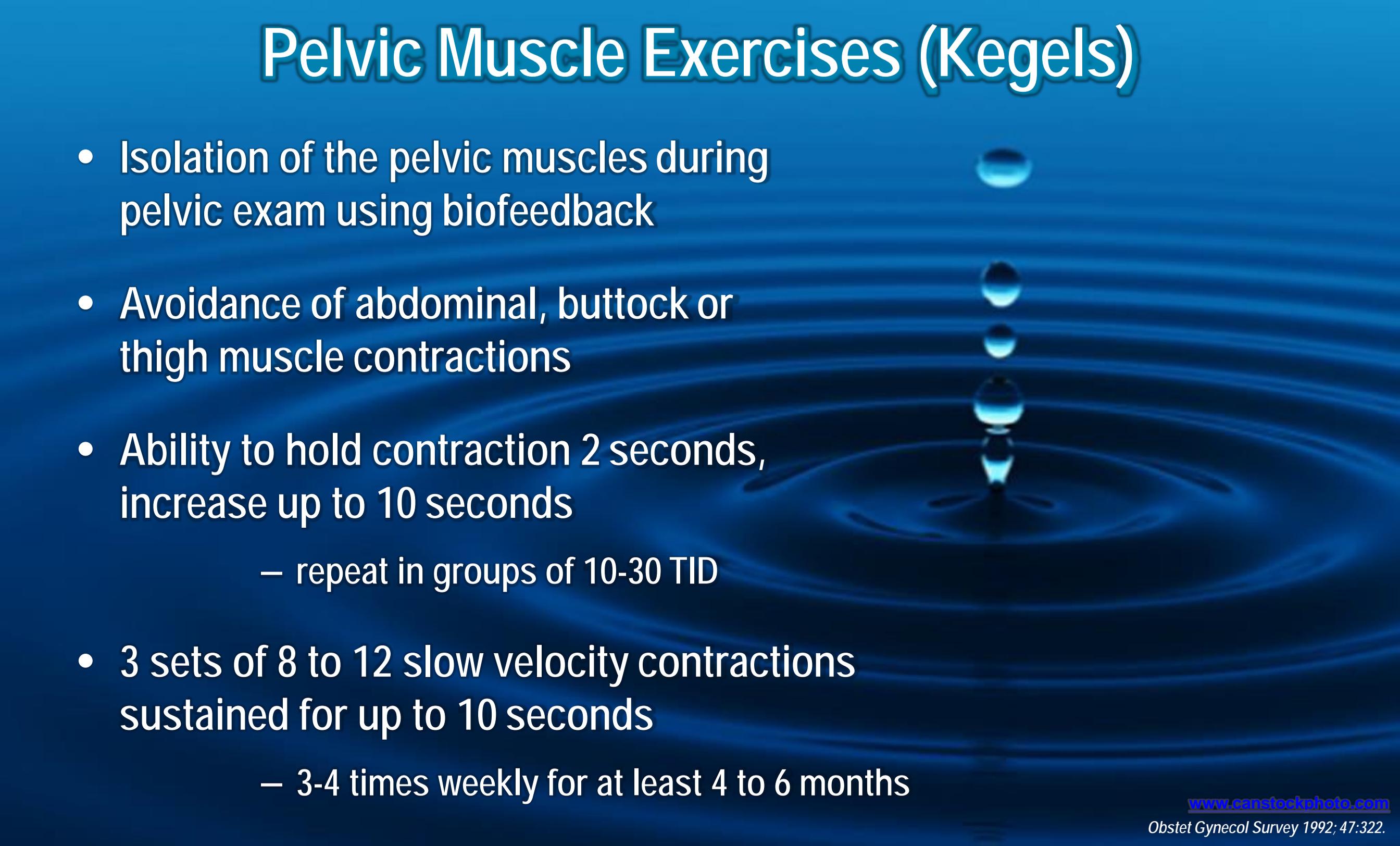


# Weight Loss

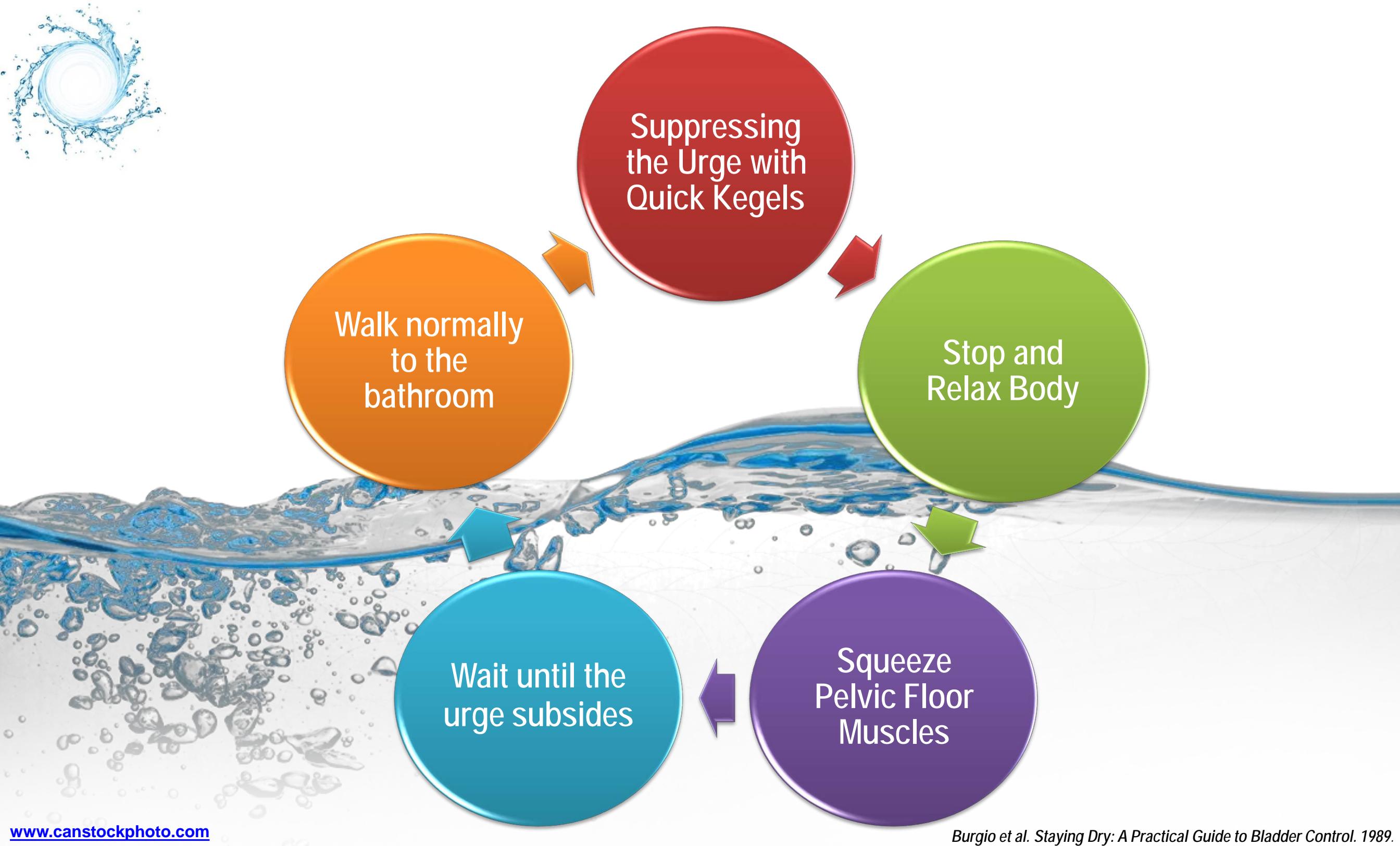
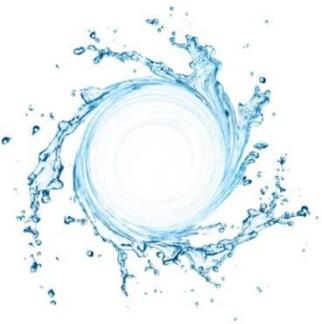
- Randomized trial of 338 women, mean BMI 36 kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- 6 month weight loss vs. education
- Weight loss 8% vs. 1.6%
- 47% vs. 28% in stress but not urge UI



# Pelvic Muscle Exercises (Kegels)



- Isolation of the pelvic muscles during pelvic exam using biofeedback
- Avoidance of abdominal, buttock or thigh muscle contractions
- Ability to hold contraction 2 seconds, increase up to 10 seconds
  - repeat in groups of 10-30 TID
- 3 sets of 8 to 12 slow velocity contractions sustained for up to 10 seconds
  - 3-4 times weekly for at least 4 to 6 months



Walk normally to the bathroom

Suppressing the Urge with Quick Kegels

Stop and Relax Body

Squeeze Pelvic Floor Muscles

Wait until the urge subsides

# Behavioral Treatments

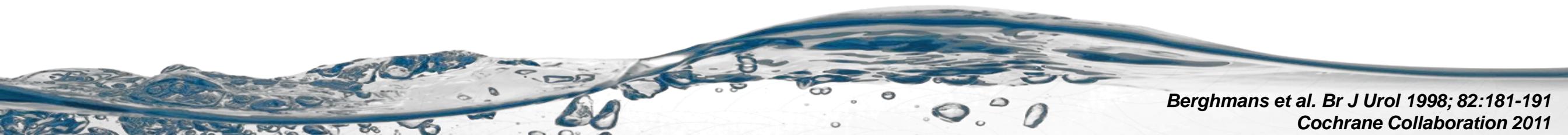
**Behavioral strategies and PFMF are effective:**

- **Outcomes are similar to anticholinergic medication therapy.**
- **Clinical guidelines support as first line treatment**
- **Minimal adverse effects**



# Randomized Trials of Behavioral Treatment for Stress UI

- 24 RCTs, but only 11 of high quality
- Pelvic floor exercises were effective (up to 75%) in reducing symptoms of stress UI
- Limited evidence for high vs low intensity
- Benefits of adding biofeedback (BFB) unclear



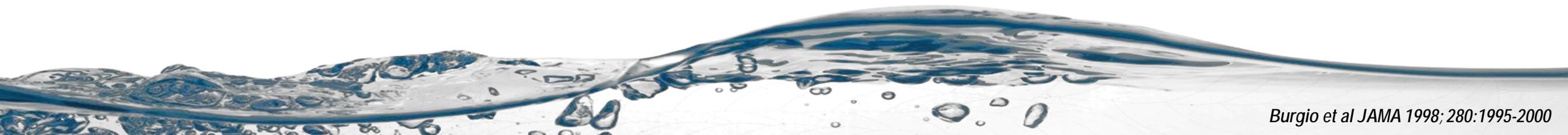
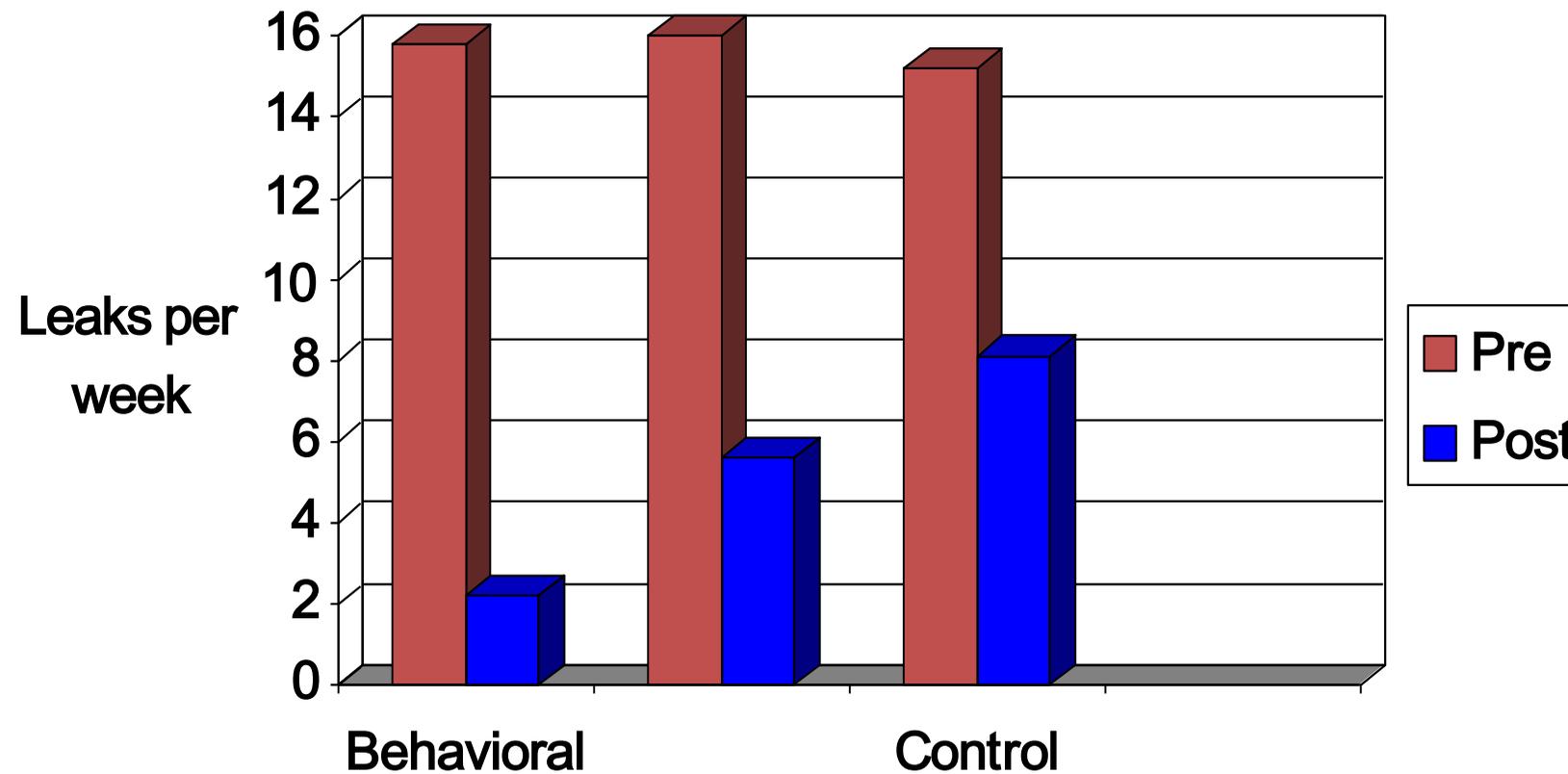


# Behavioral vs. Drug Rx for Urge UI in Older Women

- Randomized, controlled trial of 197 women aged 55-92
- 8 weeks of BFB, 8 weeks of oxybutynin
- 2.5 to 5 mg qd to tid, or placebo control
- All 3 groups reduced UI frequency
- Effectiveness: BFB>drug>placebo



# Oxybutynin vs Behavioral Treatment for Urge UI





# Pharmacotherapy of Urge Incontinence

## Anticholinergics

- **Oxybutynin**

- Tolterodine
- Fesoterodine
- Darifenacin
- Solifenacin
- Trospium

## $\beta_3$ Receptor agonist

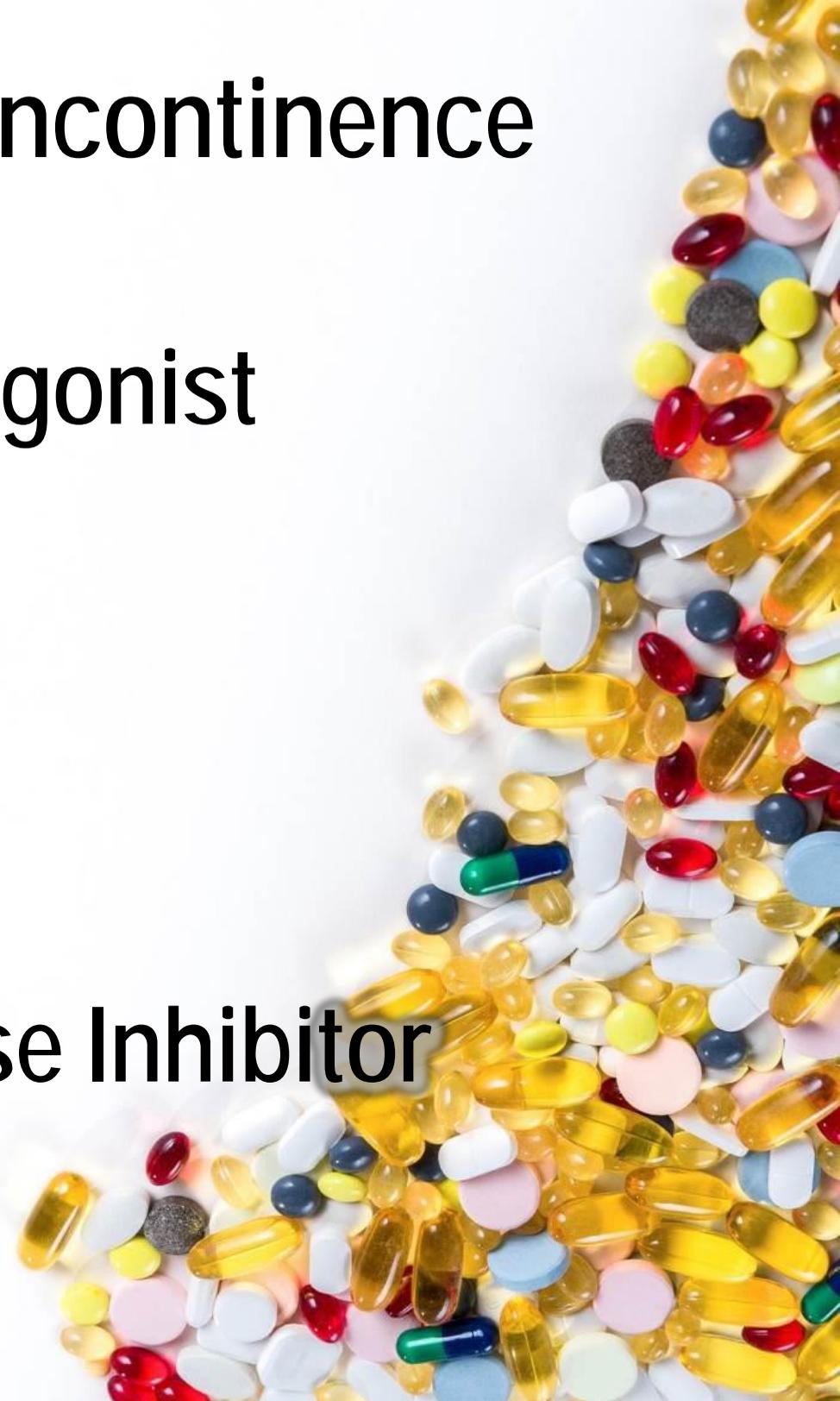
- **Mirabegron**

## Alpha blocker

- Tamsulosin
- Doxazosin

## 5 $\alpha$ Reductase Inhibitor

- Finasteride
- Dutasteride





# Muscarinic Receptor Subtypes

Subtype	Distribution	Role
M1	Brain (cortex, hippocampus), Salivary gland	Cognitive function, memory; saliva secretion
M2	Heart, brain, smooth muscle	Regulation of heart rate & HR variability; behavioral flexibility
M3	Smooth muscle, glands, eye	Smooth muscle contraction, iris contraction, gland secretion
M4	Brain (forebrain, striatum)	Dopamine dependent behaviors
M5	Brain (substantia nigra), eye	Regulation of striatal dopamine release





# Anticholinergics

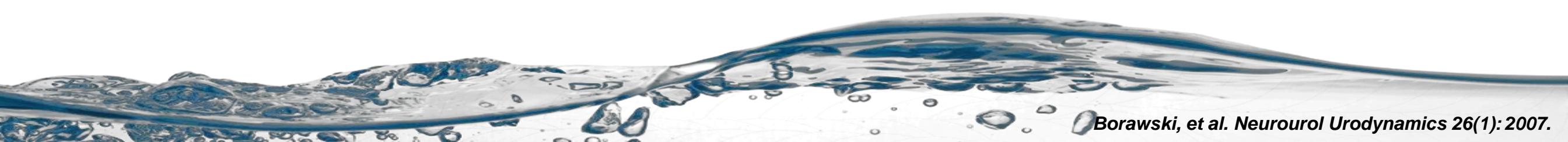
## Antimuscarinics & M3 Receptor Selectivity

Ratio of affinity	Muscarinic receptor subtype			
	M <sub>3</sub> vs. M <sub>1</sub>	M <sub>3</sub> vs. M <sub>2</sub>	M <sub>3</sub> vs. M <sub>4</sub>	M <sub>3</sub> vs. M <sub>5</sub>
Darifenacin	16.0	53.0	26.0	4.1
Fesoterodine	0.2	0.5	1.3	0.8
Oxybutynin	1.8	6.2	1.9	5.3
Solifenacin	2.2	15.0	9.1	2.6
Tolterodine	0.6	0.95	1.5	0.6
Trospium	1.5	1.3	2.0	4.6

<sup>a</sup>Relative mean affiliates calculated as the ration of K, values as reported by [16]

<sup>b</sup>Relative mean affiliates calculated as the ration of K, values determined from the antilog of pK, values as reported by [17]

<sup>c</sup>Relative mean affiliates calculated as the ration of K, values as reported by [18]





# Doses and Side Effects

**Table 1: Common Pharmacologic Therapies: Doses and Side Effect Rates\***

<b>Antimuscarinics/Anticholinergics</b>	<b>Dry mouth</b>	<b>Constipation</b>	<b>Dry Eyes</b>	<b>Dyspepsia</b>	<b>Dizziness</b>
Oxybutynin ER (5–30 mg o.d.)	60.8%	13.1%	6.1%	6.8%	6.3%
Oxybutynin CR (5–20 mg o.d.)	64.0%	5.1%	2.5%	5.1%	6.4%
Oxybutynin patch	4.1%	3.3%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Tolterodine ER (4 mg o.d.)	23.4%	5.9%	< 5%	< 5%	< 5%
Solifenacin (5–10 mg o.d.)	10.9%	5.4%	0.3%	1.4%	1.9%
Trospium chloride (20 mg b.i.d.)	20.1%	9.6%	1.2%	1.2%	n/a
Darifenacin (7.5–15 mg)	20.2%	14.8%	2.1%	2.7%	0.9%
<b>β<sub>3</sub>-Adrenoreceptor Agonists</b>	<b>Headache</b>	<b>Constipation</b>	<b>Dry Eyes</b>	<b>Hypertension</b>	<b>Dizziness</b>
Mirabegron (25–50 mg o.d.)**	0.6%	0.9%	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%

\* Side effect rates taken from the products' respective product monographs

\*\* The side effect rates listed for mirabegron reflect the rates of adverse reactions leading to discontinuation reported by more than two patients and at a rate greater than active control in study 178-CL-049 (as reported by the mirabegron product monograph). These rates do not reflect overall side effect rates for this drug.



# Contraindications for Anticholinergics

Urinary retention

Gastric retention

Narrow angle glaucoma

Bladder outlet obstruction

Cardiac arrhythmias

# Drug Treatment of UI in The Cognitively Impaired

- 4 RCT showed cognitive deficit with Oxybutynin treatment
- 3 RCT showed no cognitive deficit with Darifenacin

*Int J Clin Practice 2008*

SENIOR: randomized, placebo controlled DB crossover multicenter trial in 26 MCI pt

- 3 TX periods x 21 days, washout between
- Solifenacin 5 mg qd,
- Oxybutynin 5 mg bid
- Placebo
- No change from baseline in cog function

*European Urology 2013*



# Case 2: Mr. D



65 y/o man with mild BPH, COPD and Osteoarthritis of the knees. He has increasingly bothersome nocturia x3

Habits: Former smoker

4 cans of beer over the weekend

Meds: ASA

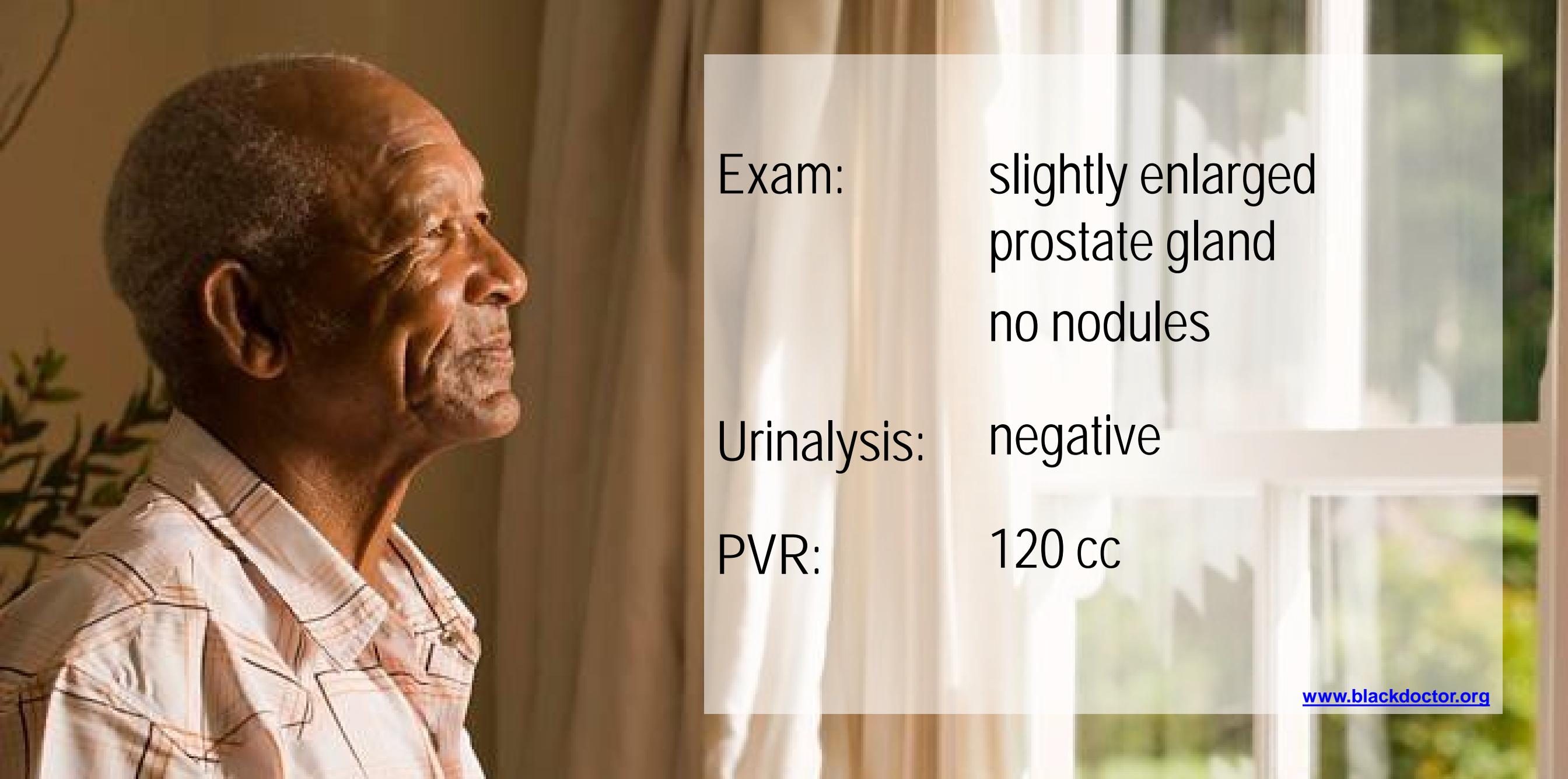
Metoprolol

Autaminophen

Albuterol inhaler



# Case 2: Mr. D



Exam:           slightly enlarged  
                  prostate gland  
                  no nodules

Urinalysis:     negative

PVR:            120 cc



# What initial prescription is most appropriate?



A. Pelvic floor exercises

B. Tamsulosin  
(alpha-adrenergic blocker)

A. Oxybutynin  
(anticholinergic)

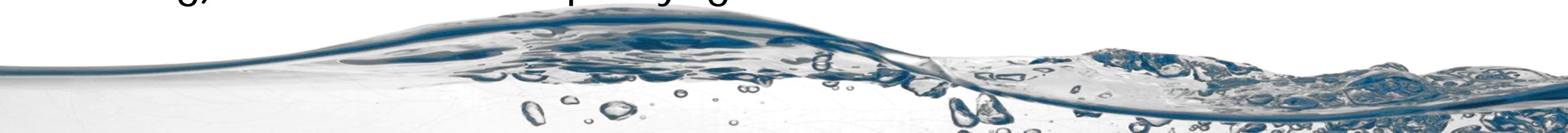
A. Finasteride  
(5 alpha reductase inhibitor)



# Myrbetriq (Mirabegron)

Phase 3 randomized, double blind placebo controlled trial (Nitti)

- 1338 patients mean age 60 with OAB >8 voids/24 hr and >3 urgency episodes/72 hr
- Placebo vs 50 mg vs 100 mg x 12 weeks
- Mean # UI episodes/24 hr and voids/24 hr statistically significant improvement at week 4, no diff in adverse events
- Side effects: Hypertension (1.2 mm HG at 100 mg; 2.4 mm HG at 200 mg), increase in HR (1.6 BPM at 100mg, 4.1 BPM at 200 mg), headache, nasopharyngitis





# Drug Treatment of Mild BPH

## Alpha adrenergic antagonists

- Relaxes prostate smooth muscle of prostate and bladder neck
  - Tamsulosin (Flomax) 0.4 -0.8mg daily
  - Doxazosin (Cardura) 1-2 mg then up to 8 mg daily IR, 4-8 mg ER
- Tamsulosin trials: 53 weeks, 31% and 36% improvement in maximal flow rate with 0.4 mg and 0.8 mg/day vs. 21% placebo
- Adverse effects: orthostatic hypotension and dizziness, floppy iris syndrome in cataract surgery patients



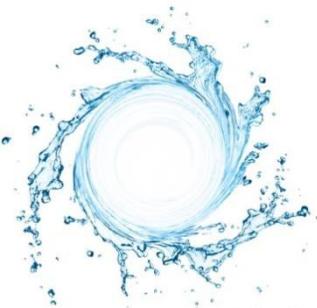
# Drug Treatment of Mild BPH

- Dose:
  - Finasteride (Proscar) 5 mg daily
  - Dutasteride (Avodart) 0.5 mg daily
- Type II 5 alpha reductase inhibitor
  - Results in atrophy of the prostatic glandular epithelium due to decreased synthesis of dihydrotestosterone
  - Slow onset, 20% - 30% reduction in prostate volume and LUTS over time
  - Side effects: Ejaculatory dysfunction (8%), loss of libido (10%), erectile dysfunction (16%)
  - Trend for increased risk of more aggressive prostate cancer
  - Rare reports of breast cancer in men taking finasteride either 1 mg or 5 mg

# Treatment of Urge UI in Men

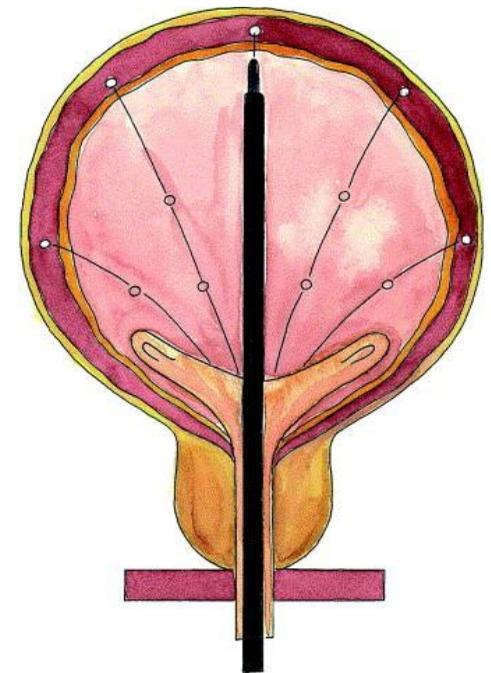
- Start with alpha blocker
- May add low dose antimuscarinic
- One randomized trial of tamsulosin plus tolterodine more effective in reducing urge UI than placebo

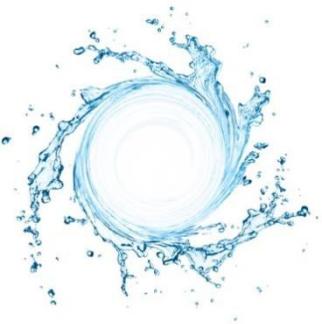




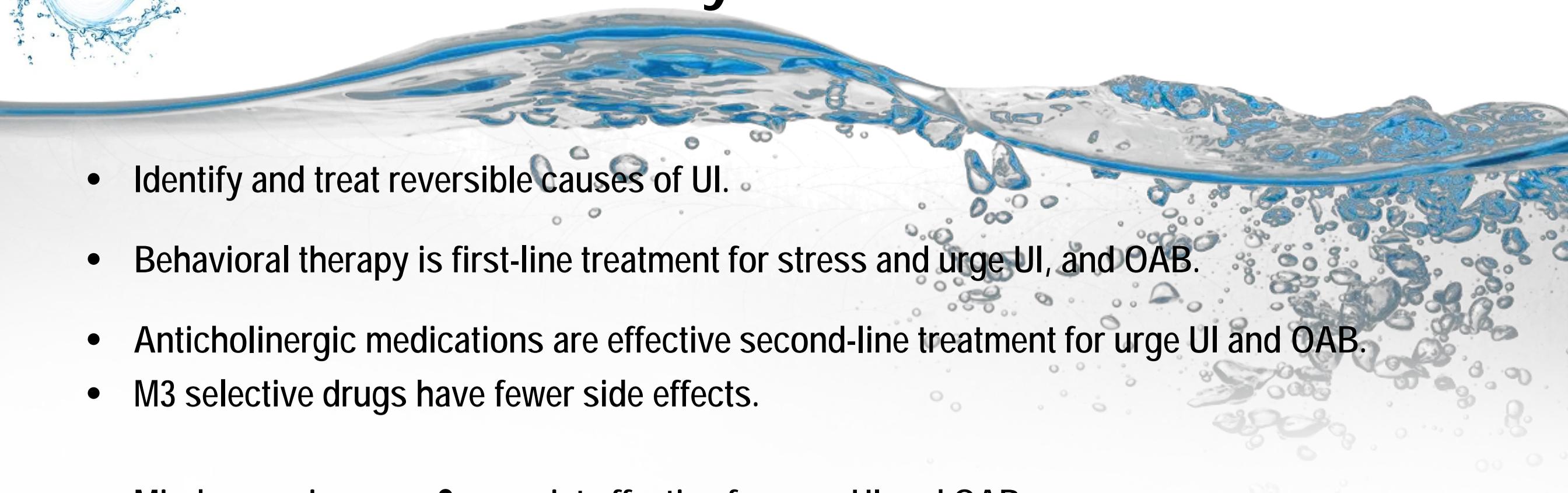
# Botulinum Toxin

- 100 U (US) injected directly into detrusor later and posterior bladder wall, trigone avoided
- 2005 first randomized placebo controlled study of 59 patients, 200 U, 300 U or placebo over 24 wks
- Mean decrease in UI 50% vs 0;  $p < .05$
- RELAX RCT study: 8 UK centers enrolled 240 women, 200 U vs placebo; primary outcome voiding frequency/24 hr; at 6 mo, median leaks 1.67 vs 6.0; continence 31% vs 12%, daily urgency 3.83 vs 6.33; UTIs 16% vs 4%
- Major side effects: urinary retention, UTIs, pain, hematuria





# Key Points



- Identify and treat reversible causes of UI.
- Behavioral therapy is first-line treatment for stress and urge UI, and OAB.
- Anticholinergic medications are effective second-line treatment for urge UI and OAB.
- M3 selective drugs have fewer side effects.
- Mirabegron is a new  $\beta_3$  agonist effective for urge UI and OAB.

Alpha adrenergic blockers are effective treatment for urge UI due to BPH.

- **Botulinum A** can be effective for refractory OAB.



# Referral Criteria

- ✓ Recurrent urinary tract infections
- ✓ Hematuria not related to UTI
- ✓ Elevated postvoid residual or other evidence of possible obstruction
- ✓ Recent gynecological or urological surgery or pelvic radiation
- ✓ Failed treatment of stress or urge UI

