Higher Mediterranean Diet Adherence Associated with Lower Cardiovascular Disease (CVD) and Death <u>Specifically in Women</u>

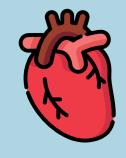
Mediterranean diet characterised by minimally processed plant foods, extravirgin olive oil, and lean proteins



16 prospective cohort studies included in meta-analysis

722,495 female participants

In women, higher Mediterranean diet adherence had a beneficial effect on CVD and death



HR 0.76 (CI 0.72-0.81) I²=39% for CVD



HR 0.77 (CI 0.74-0.80) $I^2=21\%$ for total mortality

In women, higher Mediterranean diet adherence had a beneficial effect on coronary heart disease (CHD), but did not reach statistical significance for stroke



