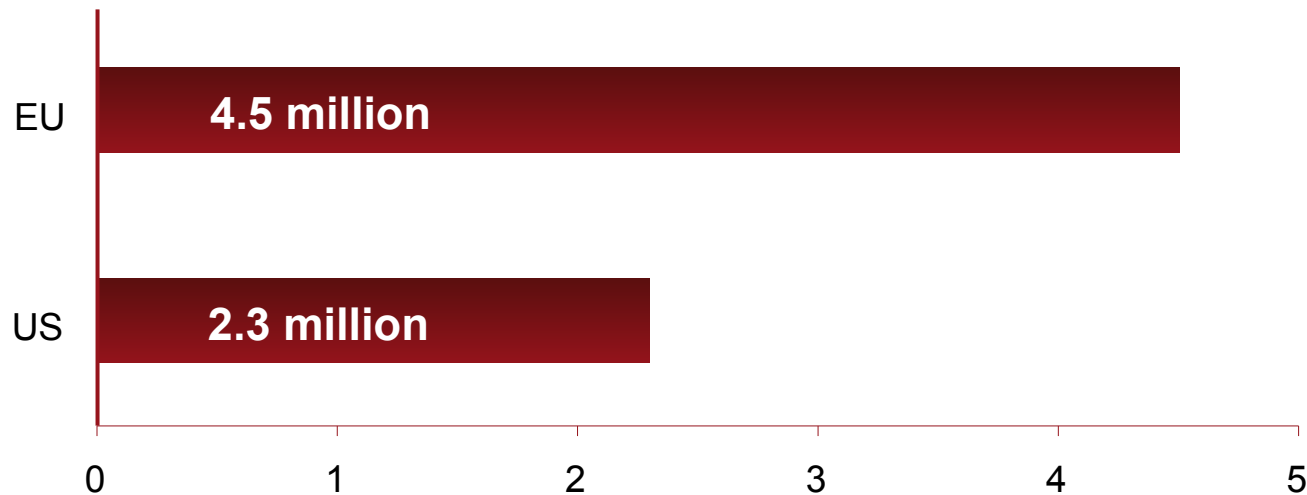


AF is the Most Common Cardiac Arrhythmia

- AF affects
 - 1 in 25 adults >60 years¹
 - 1 in 10 adults >80 years¹
- 6.8 million patients with AF in EU and US*^{1,2}

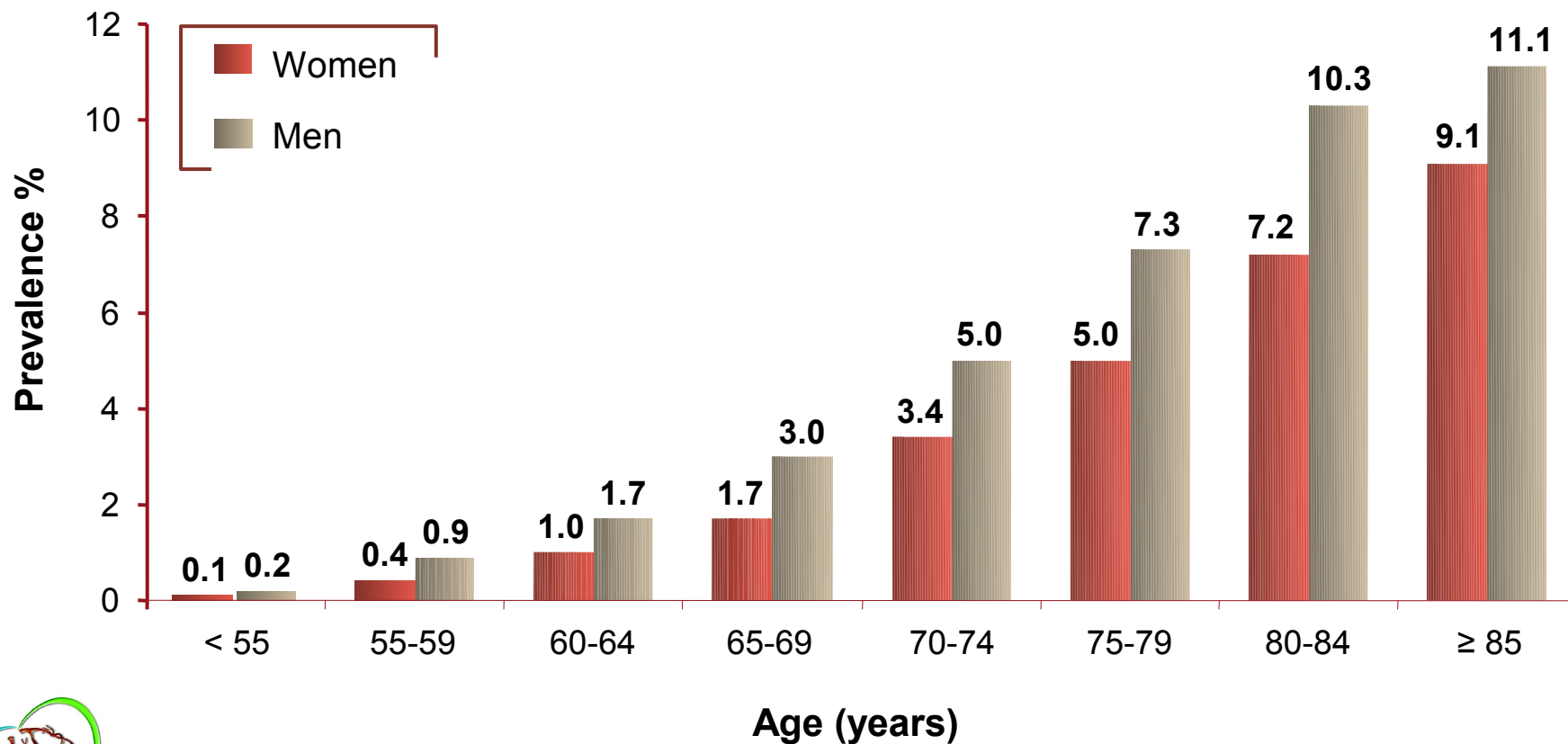


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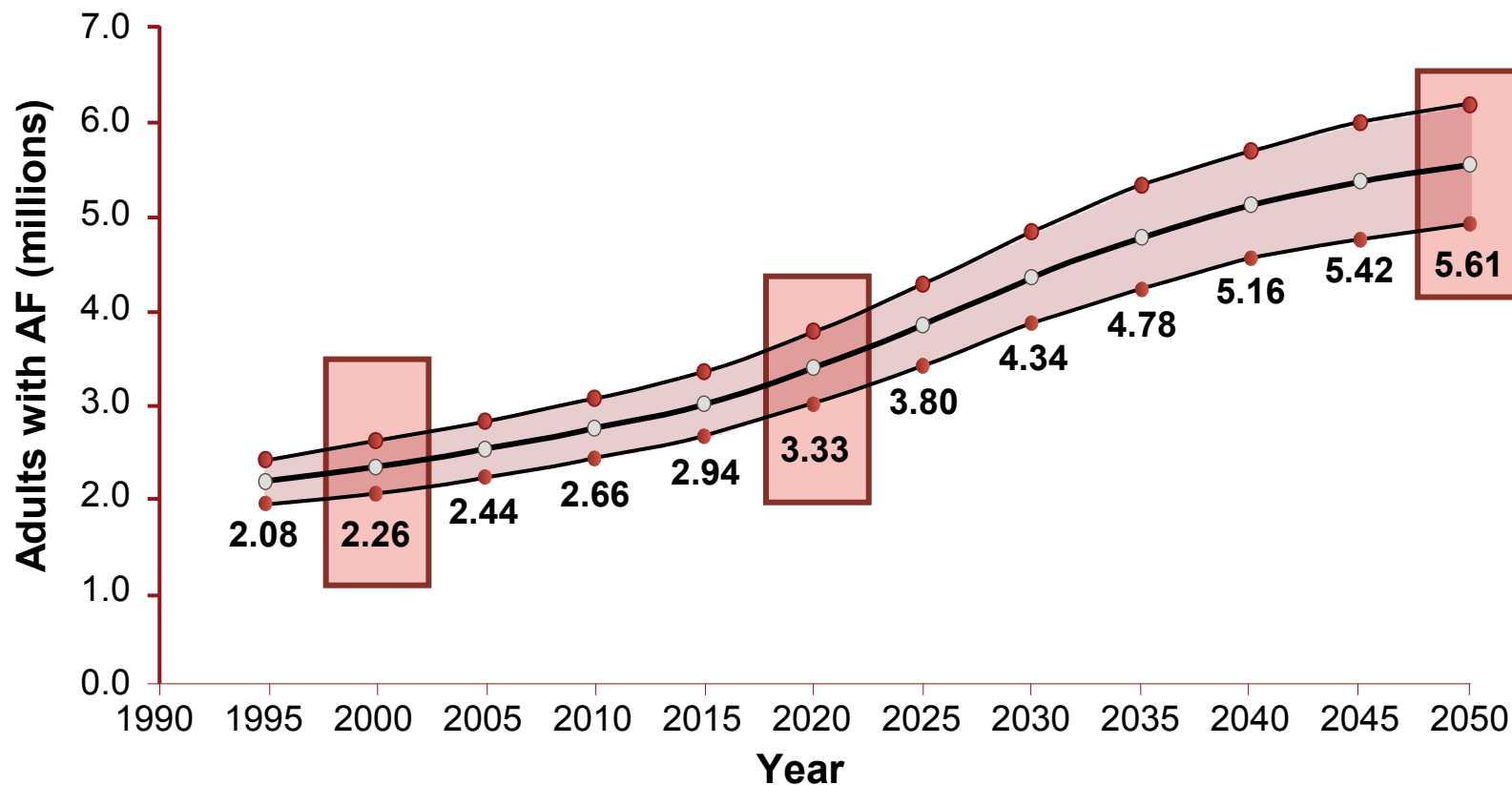
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AF Prevalence Increases with Age



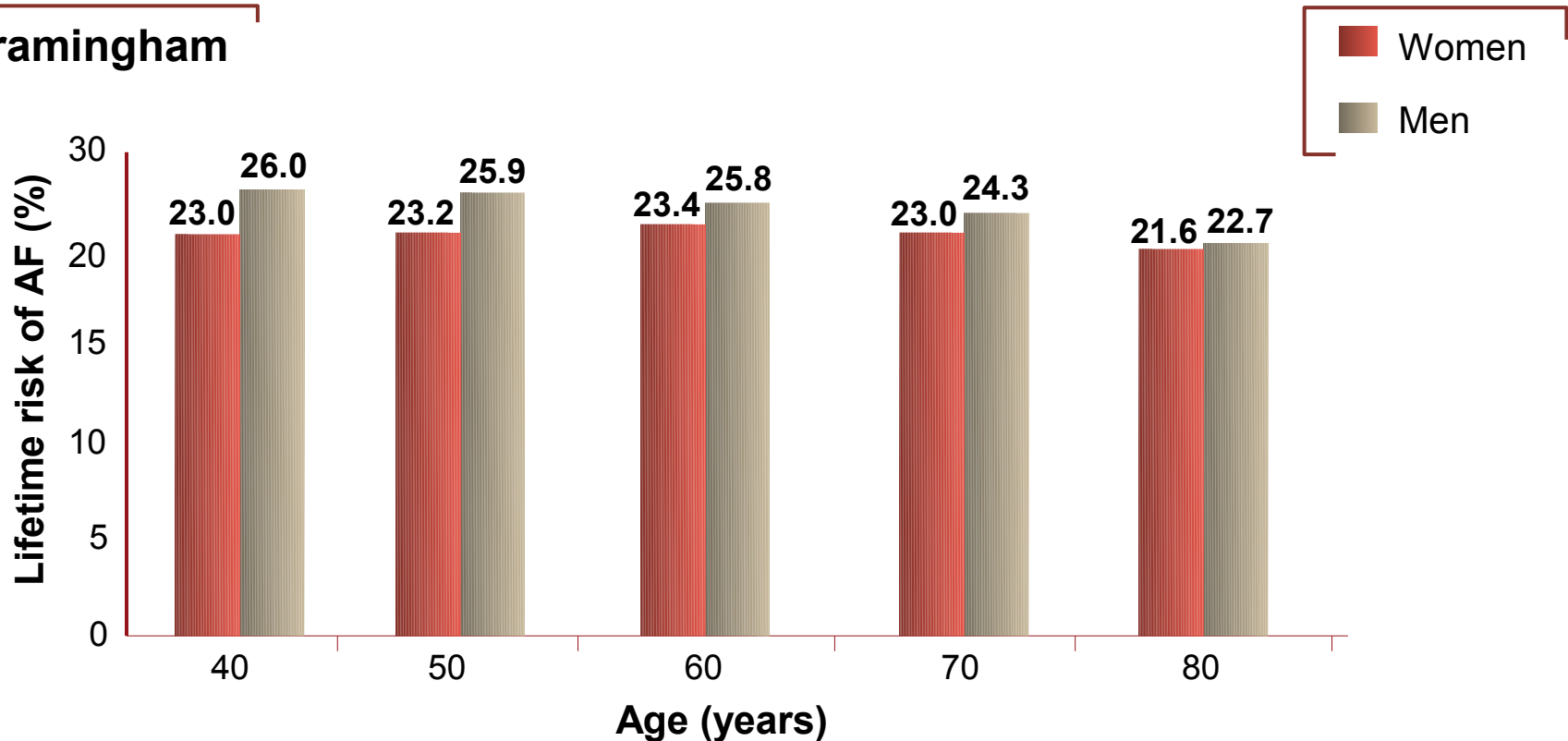
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- Upper and lower curves represent the upper and lower scenarios based on sensitivity analyses

Lifetime Risks for Development of AF are 1 in 4 for Men and Women 40 Years of Age and Older

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- Lifetime risks for AF are high (1 in 6), even in the absence of antecedent congestive heart failure or myocardial infarction

AF Prevalence – Key Points

- AF is the most common sustained cardiac arrhythmia
- 6.8 Million patients have AF in the EU and the US*
- AF prevalence is expected to increase by ≥ 2.5 -fold by 2050 in the US
- The lifetime risks for development of AF is 1 in 4 for patients ≥ 40 years and this risk remains high (1 in 6), even in the absence of underlying disease