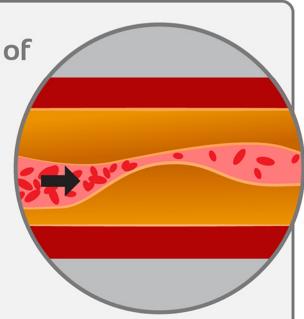
ATHEROSCLEROTIC CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE

Atherosclerosis is a narrowing of the arteries caused by a buildup of plaque.

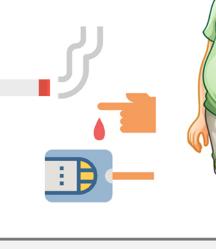
Atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD) is the underlying cause of 85% of heart attack and stroke-related deaths.



More than 300 million are living with ASCVD! 2 billion at risk!

Risk factors for atherosclerosis:

- HIGH CHOLESTEROL AND TRIGLYCERIDE LEVELS
- HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE
- SMOKING
- TYPE 1 DIABETES
- OBESITY
- PHYSICAL INACTIVITY
- HIGH SATURATED FAT DIET



Symptoms of atherosclerosis may develop gradually, as the plaque gradually builds up in the artery.

Symptoms also vary depending on the affected artery.

When a major artery is blocked, signs and symptoms may be severe, such as those occurring with heart attack, stroke, or blood clot.

