Contraindication:
- History of rhabdomyolysis previously on a statin – consider trial of different statin
- Severe liver disease (LFT’s >3x upper limit of normal)
- Pregnancy

Precaution:
- Warfarin (Coumadin©) patients (due to drug interaction) – consider pravastatin
- Beware high doses in frail elderly with kidney disease
- High dose statins with gemfibrozil (Lopid©)
- Assess contraception status in women of child-bearing age

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