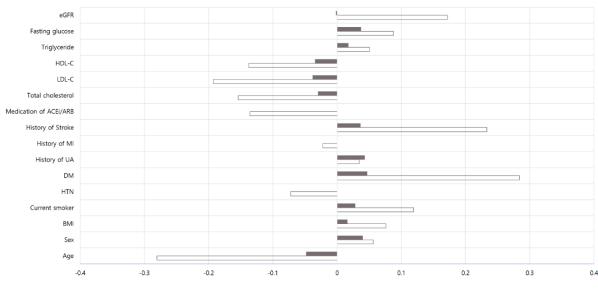
Figure S1. Standardized mean difference and absolute standardized difference for covariates before and after propensity matching of patients treated with simvastatin+ezetimibe or simvastatin alone. (A) standardized mean difference, (B) absolute standardized difference



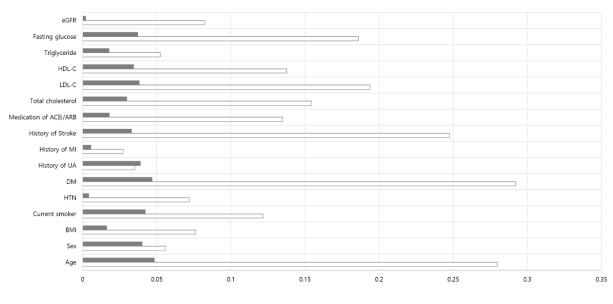
## Standardized mean difference



■ After Adjustment □ Before Adjustment

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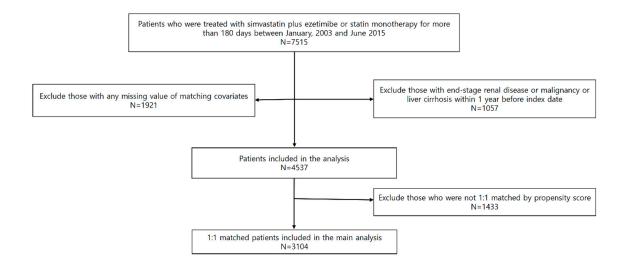
## Absolute standardized difference



■ After Adjustment □ Before Adjustment

eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; HDL-C, high density lipoprotein cholesterol; LDL-C, low density lipoprotein cholesterol; ACEi/ARB, angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor or angiotensin receptor blocker; MI, myocardial infarction; UA, unstable angina; DM, diabetes mellitus; HTN, Hypertension; BMI, body mass index.

Figure S2. The flow chart of the retrospective cohort study



**Table S1. Baseline Characteristics of Treatment Groups Before Propensity Score Matching** 

	S+E (N=2895)	S (N=1642)	P-value
Age, years	$66.4 \pm 10.5$	69.4 ± 11.2	< 0.001
Men, n (%)	1419 (49.0)	851 (51.8)	0.07
BMI, kg/m <sup>2</sup>	$24.7\pm3.1$	$24.5 \pm 3.2$	0.01
Current smoker, n (%)	513 (17.7)	219 (13.3)	< 0.001
Obesity n, (%) <sup>1</sup>	1212 (41.9)	650 (39.6)	0.13
HTN n, (%)	1329 (45.9)	813 (49.5)	0.02
DM n, (%)	1006 (34.7)	357 (21.7)	< 0.001
CKD stage 1, n (%) <sup>2</sup>	1085 (37.5)	533 (32.5)	0.001
CKD stage 2, n (%) <sup>3</sup>	840 (29.0)	465 (28.3)	0.62
CKD stage 3, n (%) <sup>4</sup>	901 (31.1)	605 (36.8)	< 0.001
CKD stage 4, n (%) <sup>5</sup>	69 (2.4)	39 (2.4)	0.99
History of UA, n (%)	171 (5.9)	84 (5.1)	0.27
History of MI, n (%)	94 (3.2)	60 (3.7)	0.47
History of Stroke, n (%)	430 (14.9)	119 (7.2)	< 0.001
Medication of aspirin, n (%)	1794 (62.0)	1030 (62.7)	0.61
Medication of $\beta$ -blocker, n (%)	1051 (36.3)	691 (42.1)	< 0.001
Medication of CCB, n (%)	1176 (40.6)	720 (43.8)	0.03
Medication of ACEi/ARB, n (%)	1210 (41.8)	797 (48.5)	< 0.001
Proteinuria,n (%) <sup>6,7</sup>	88 (8.5)	66 (8.8)	0.79
Total cholesterol, mg/dL	$181.9 \pm 50.9$	$189.8 \pm 50.7$	< 0.001
LDL-C, mg/dL	$102.4 \pm 42.4$	$110.5 \pm 41.6$	< 0.001
HDL-C, mg/dL	$47.9 \pm 12.2$	$49.6 \pm 12.3$	< 0.001
Triglyceride, mg/dL	$149.1 \pm 111.2$	$143.9 \pm 86.1$	0.08
Fasting glucose, mg/dL	$110.1 \pm 30.6$	$107.4 \pm 30.0$	0.005
HbA1c, %8	$7.1 \pm 1.5$	$6.9 \pm 1.4$	0.24
Creatinine, mg/dL	$0.9 \pm 0.3$	$1.0\pm0.3$	< 0.001
eGFR, mL/min per 1.73m <sup>2 9</sup>	$81.4 \pm 33.8$	$75.7 \pm 30.6$	< 0.001

Continuous variables expressed as means + standard deviation (SD); categorical variables expressed as number (percent).

Abbreviations: S, simvastatin; S+E, simvastatin+ezetimibe; BMI, body mass index; HTN, hypertension; DM, diabetes mellitus; CKD, chronic kidney disease; UA, unstable angina; MI, myocardial infarction; CCB, calcium channel blocker; ACE, angiotensin converting enzyme; ARB, angiotensin receptor blocker; LDL-C, low density lipoprotein cholesterol; HDL-C, high density lipoprotein cholesterol; HbA1c, glycated hemoglobin; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate.

- <sup>1</sup> Defined as BMI  $\geq$  25 kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- <sup>2</sup> Defined as eGFR  $\geq$  90 mL/min per 1.73m<sup>2</sup>
- <sup>3</sup> Defined as  $60 \le eGFR \le 90 \text{ mL/min per } 1.73\text{m}^2$
- <sup>4</sup> Defined as  $30 \le eGFR < 60 \text{ mL/min per } 1.73\text{m}^2$
- <sup>5</sup> Defined as  $15 \le eGFR < 30 \text{ mL/min per } 1.73\text{m}^2$
- <sup>6</sup> Defined as qualitative urine protein test  $\geq 1+$
- <sup>7</sup> Relatively small number of evaluable patients (S+E, 1038; S, 747). Calculated as patients with proteinuria/patients with urinalysis
- <sup>8</sup> Relatively small number of evaluable patients (S+E, 323; S, 238).
- <sup>9</sup> Calculated using MDRD equation.