

# Interactive type 2 Diabetes Cases

## Objectives:

As a result of attending this session, the participants will gain abilities in selecting appropriate antihyperglycemic therapies based on the patient's clinical characteristics.



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Through a series of questions, you  
will be asked to create our case:

Age and gender

CVD ?

A1c ?

Renal status

Current antihyperglycemic therapy



Over 32,000 possible scenarios...

## Select the age and gender of our patient

44 year old man with T2D de novo

52 yo woman with T2D x 2 years

61 yo man with T2D x 5 years

70 yo woman with T2D x 11 years

77 year old man with T2D x 17 years

86 year old woman with T2D x 33 years



# Does our patient have cardiovascular disease ?

No

Yes, myocardial infarct  
and stent x 3 4 years ago

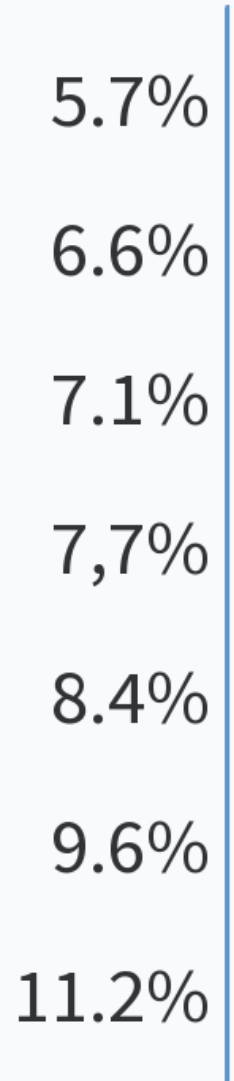
Yes, documented heart  
failure

Yes, peripheral artery  
disease

Yes, history of mild stroke

Yes, history of angina,  
positive stress test

# What is the A1c of our patient ?



# Select the renal status of our patient

eGFR > 60, no microalbuminuria

eGFR > 60, Alb/Creat ratio 4.7

eGFR 55, no microalbuminuria

eGFR 55, Alb/Creat ratio 12.7

eGFR 43, Alb/Creat ratio 22.0

eGFR 31, Alb/Creat ratio 145.6

eGFR 22, Alb/Creat ratio 44

eGFR 15, Alb/Creat 456

**Our patient is on metformin. How many other antihyperglycemic agents is the patient on ?**

0

1

2

3



# Select the current therapy of our patient (0)

Metformin 500 mg per day

Metformin 500 mg bid

Metformin 850 mg bid

Metformin 1000 mg bid

# Select the current therapy of our patient (1)

Metformin 850 mg bid +  
Sitagliptin 100 mg die

Metformin 850 mg bid +  
Empagliflozin 10 mg die

Metformin 850 mg bid +  
Gliclazide MR 60 mg die

Metformin 850 mg bid +  
Semaglutide oral 7 mg die

Metformin 850 mg bid +  
Semaglutide 0.5 mg per week

Metformin 850 mg bid + Glargine  
100u/ml 34 units at bedtime

# Select the current therapy of our patient, in addition to metformin 850 mg bid (2)

Sitagliptin 100 mg die + Dapagliflozin  
10 mg die

Gliclazide MR 60 mg die + Linagliptin 5  
mg die

Canagliflozin 100 mg die + Semaglutide  
0.5 mg per week

Gliclazide MR 60 mg die + Empagliflozin  
10 mg die

Semaglutide 0.5 mg per week + Degludec  
46 units per day

Glargine 300 u/ml 42 units per day +  
Lispro insulin 16 units before each meal

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Gliclazide MR 60 mg die + Sitagliptin 100 mg die + Empagliflozin 10 mg die

Gliclazide mR 60 mg die + Dapagliflozin 10 mg die + Semaglutide 0.5 mg per week

Canagliflozin 100 mg die + Dulaglutide 0.75 mg per week + Glargine 300u/ml 22 units die

Empagliflozin 25 mg die + Degludec 67 units die + Insulin Aspart 20 units before each meal

# Patient with type 2 diabetes

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Insurance coverage	Private	Sulfonylurea	
		DPP-4 inhibitor	
Type 2 diabetes	x	SGLT2 inhibitor	
A1c		GLP-1 receptor agonist	
Cardiovascular disease?		Basal insulin	
Cholesterol LDL	1.88	Prandial insulin	
Blood Pressure	118/75	Correction factor	
BMI	31.5		
Smoking ?	NO	Statin	NO
		ACEi/ARB	NO
Retinopathy ?		ASA	
Neuropathy ?		Others	
eGFR		Problems with Rx ?	
Alb/Creat Ratio		Other	

# Answer my question....



**Give me only one word...**

When poll is active, respond at [pollev.com/jeanfrancois553](https://pollev.com/jeanfrancois553)

Text **JEANFRANCOIS553** to **37607** once to join

# Do you agree with my statement ?

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Yes

No

Unsure

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Special Article

# Pharmacologic Glycemic Management of Type 2 Diabetes in Adults: 2020 Update

Diabetes Canada Clinical Practice Guidelines Expert Committee

**Regular Review**

- Assess glycemic control, cardiovascular and renal status
- Screen for complications (eyes, feet, kidneys)
- Review efficacy, side effects, safety and ability to take current medications
- Reinforce and support healthy behaviour interventions

If A1C NOT at Target and/or Change in Clinical Status

Adjust or advance therapy\*

ASCVD, CKD or HF OR Age >60 with 2 CV risk factors†

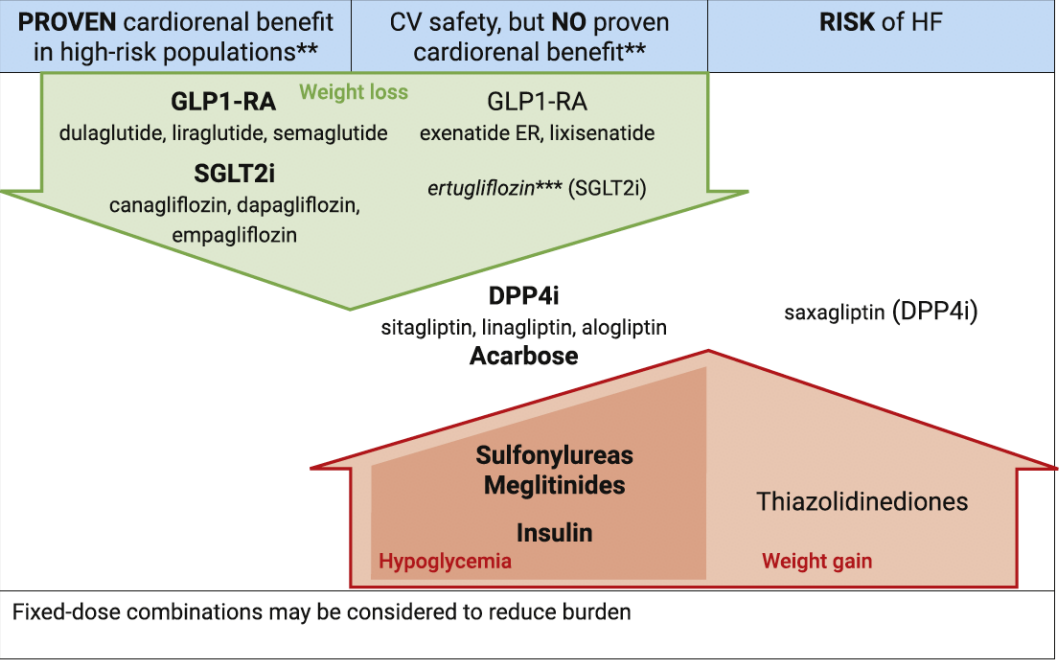
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	Progression of Nephropathy	SGLT2i*	<b>SGLT2i*</b>		SGLT2i*

Highest level of evidence: **Grade A** Grade B Grade C or D \*Initiate only if eGFR >30 ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup>

A1C above target and glucose lowering required

ADD or SUBSTITUTE AHA<sup>††</sup> according to clinical priorities<sup>†††</sup> start insulin for symptomatic hyperglycemia and/or metabolic decompensation (Figure 3)



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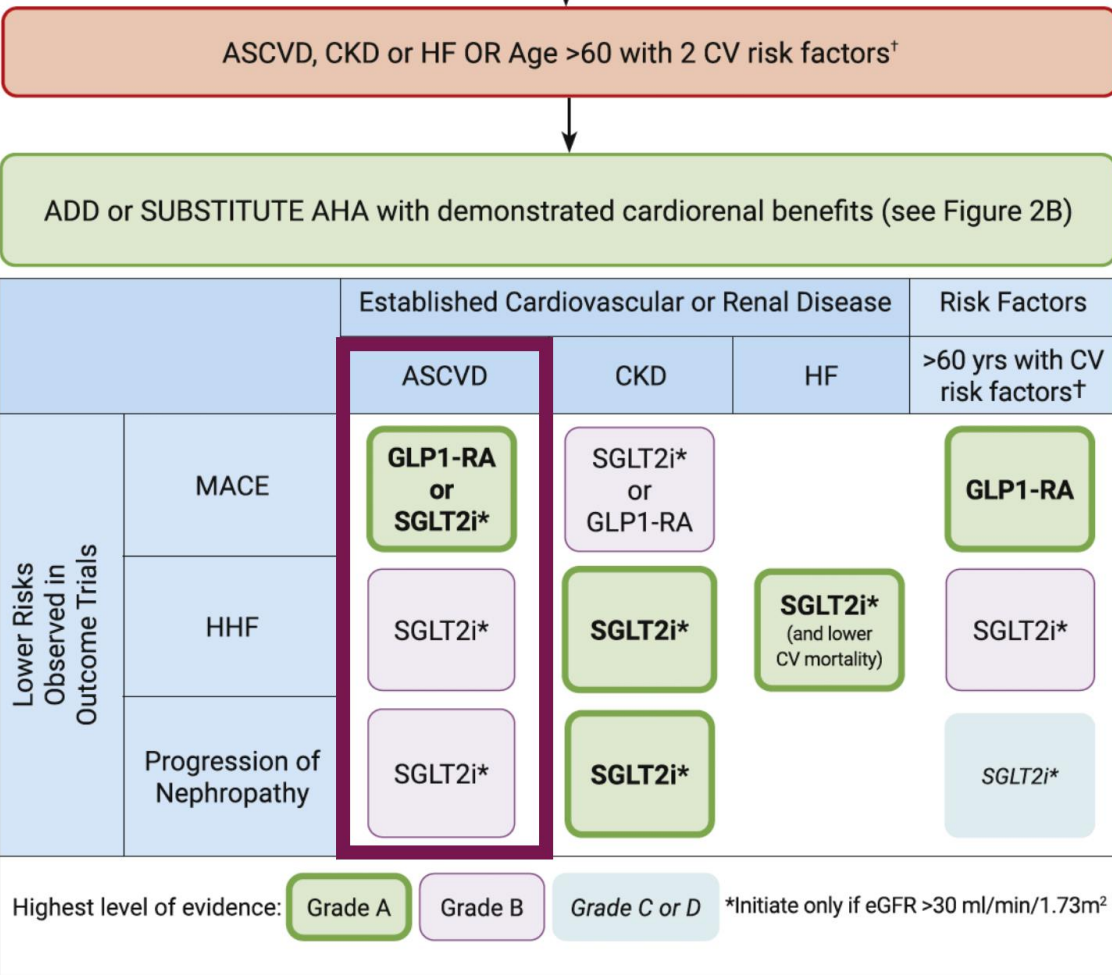
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# Patients with atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease



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Population	N=7020	N=101	N=171	N=9540	N=3297	N=3183	N=9901
	CVD 100%	CVD 42%	CVD 60%	CVD 80%	CVD 80%	CVD 85%	CVD 31%
Duration	3.2 yrs	2.4 yrs	4.2 yrs	3.8 yrs	2.0 yrs	1.3 yrs	5.4 yrs

**Practical point: If your patient has a history of ischemic heart disease, a GLP-1RA and/or an SGLT2i should be initiated, independently of the current A1c level. You may need to stop or reduce the dose of another agent.**

RENAL	↓ 39%	↓ 40%	↓ 47%	↓ 22%	↓ 36%		↓ 15%
	9%	3%	2%	%			

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# Patients above 60 years of age with 2 cardiovascular risk factors

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## Definition of CV risk factors:

- Tobacco use
- Dyslipidemia (use of lipid-modifying therapy or documented untreated LDL ≥ 3.4mM or HDL < 1.0 for men and 1.3 for women, or triglycerides ≥ 2.3)
- Hypertension (use of BP drug or untreated SBP ≥ 140 mm Hg or DBP ≥ 95 mm Hg)

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	100%	CVD	CVD	80%	80%	85%	31%
		65%	41%				
Duration	3.2 yrs	2.4 yrs	4.2 yrs	3.8 yrs	2.0 yrs	1.3 yrs	5.4 yrs
MACE	X						↓ 13%

**Practical point: If your patient is older than 60 years old, a GLP-1RA and/or an SGLT2i should be initiated, independently of the current A1c level. You may need to stop or reduce the dose of another agent.**

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## **Glycemic Control**

Metformin

Secretagogues

Insulin

DPP-4 Inhibitors

SGLT2 Inhibitors

GLP-1R Agonists

## **Vascular Protection**

ASA

Statins

## **Blood Pressure Control**

Diuretics

Calcium Channel Blockers

ACE Inhibitors

Angiotensin-receptor Antagonists

Beta-Blockers

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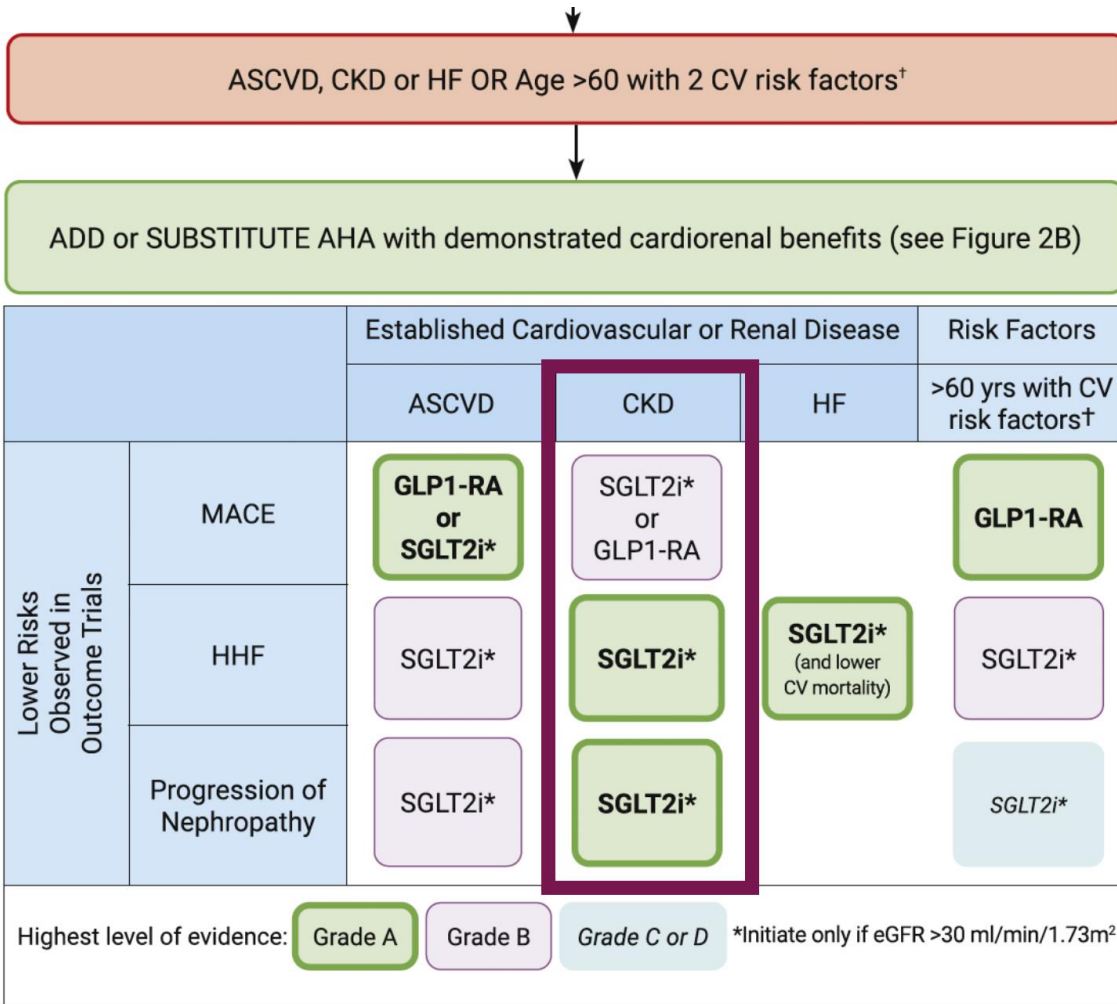
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MACE	x	↓ 20 %	↓ 31 % All cause mortality	↓ 11 % < 30 ml/min	↓ 27 % < 30 ml/min		↓ 27 % Micro/macro-albuminuria

**Practical point: If your patient has an eGFR between 30 and 60 ml/min or microalbuminuria, a GLP-1RA and/or an SGLT2i should be initiated, independently of the current A1c level.**

**You may need to stop or reduce the dose of another agent. You can use a GLP-1RA at any eGFR. You should only initiate an SGLT2i if the eGFR is above 30.**

**Start at a low dosage and titrate slowly, to avoid nausea and vomiting with GLP-1RA, and hypotension with SGLT2i.**

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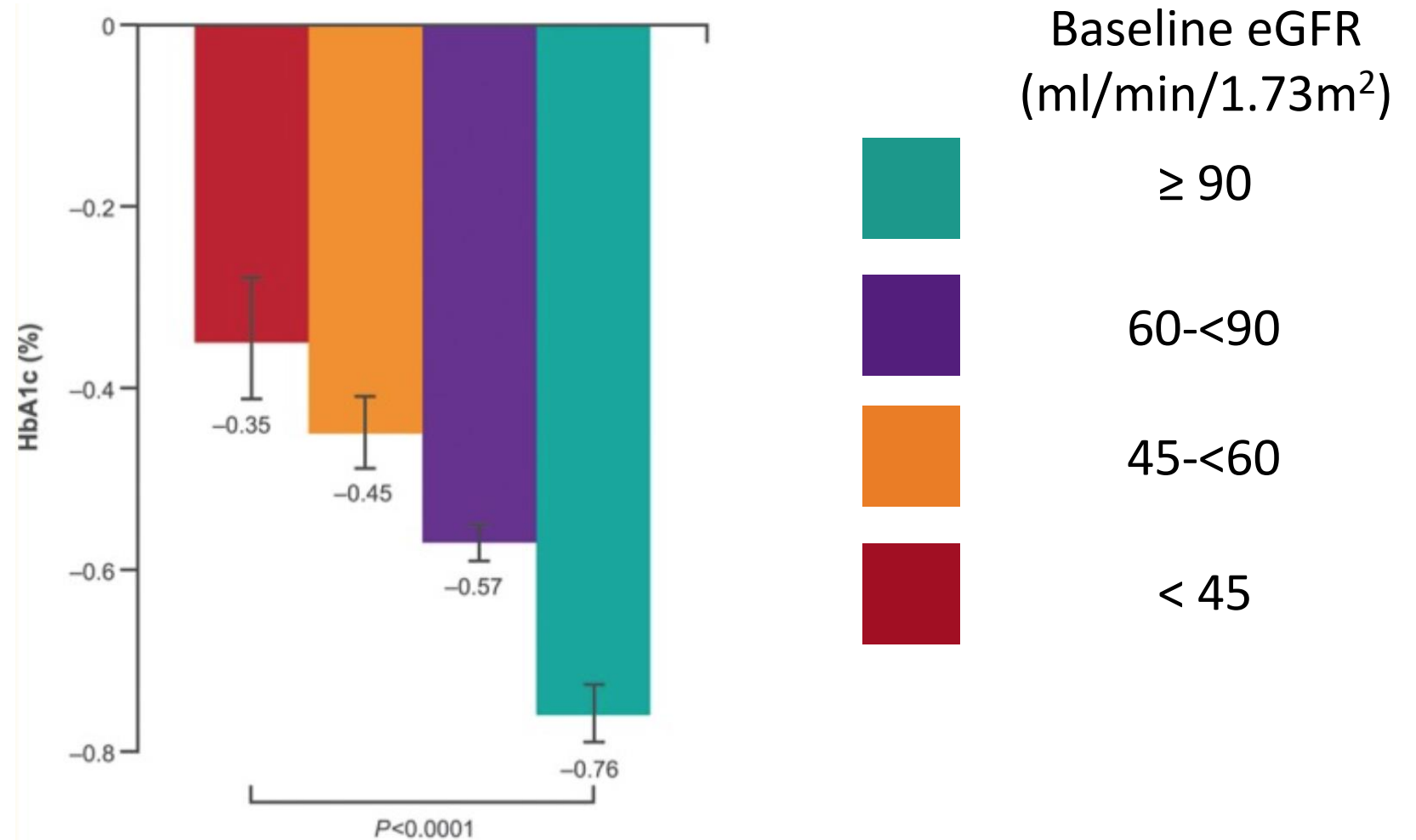
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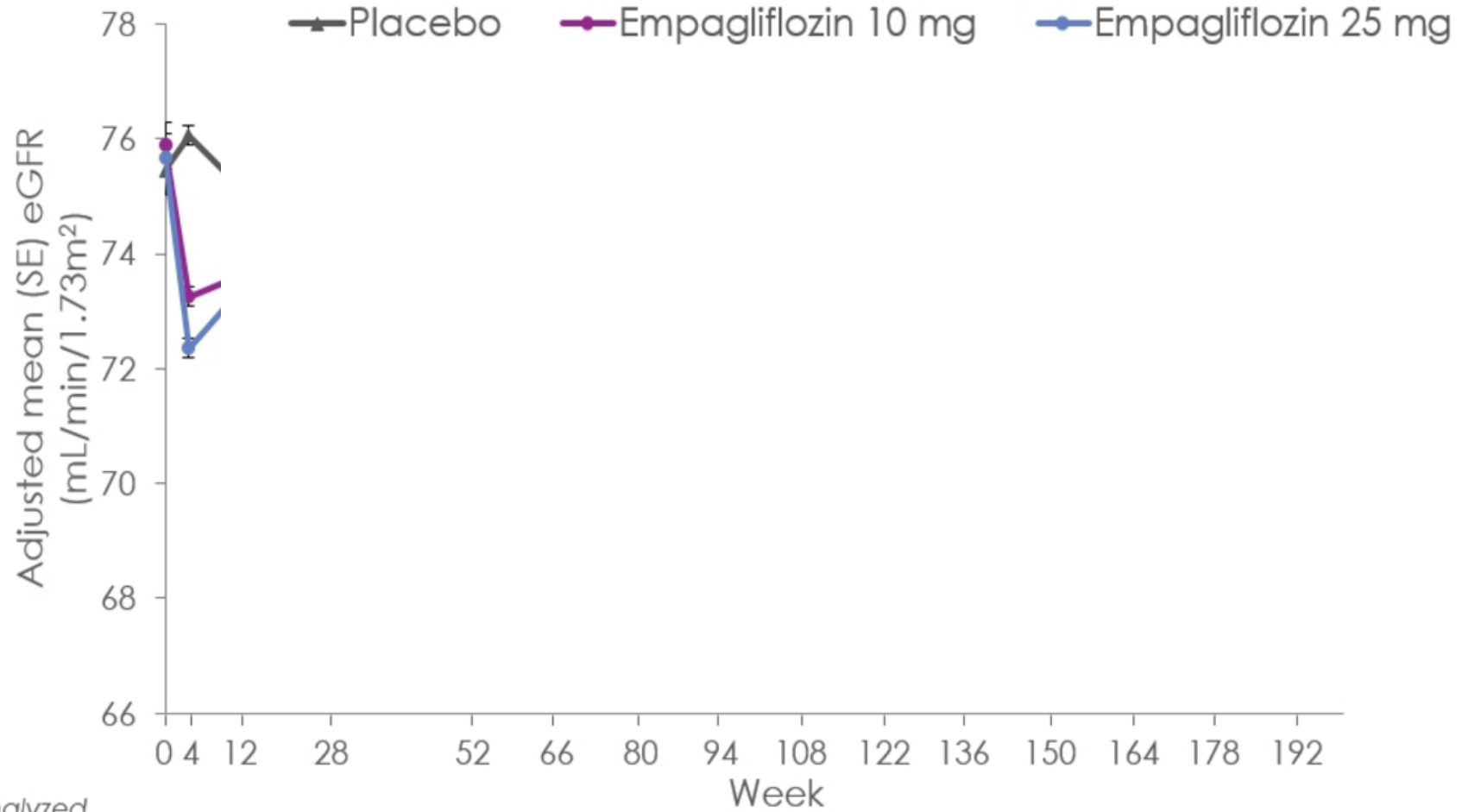
Not so long ago, we were telling you to  
**AVOID USING** an SGLT2i if the eGFR was under 60

# A1c reduction as a function of eGFR

Lower eGFR = Less glucosuria = Lower efficacy

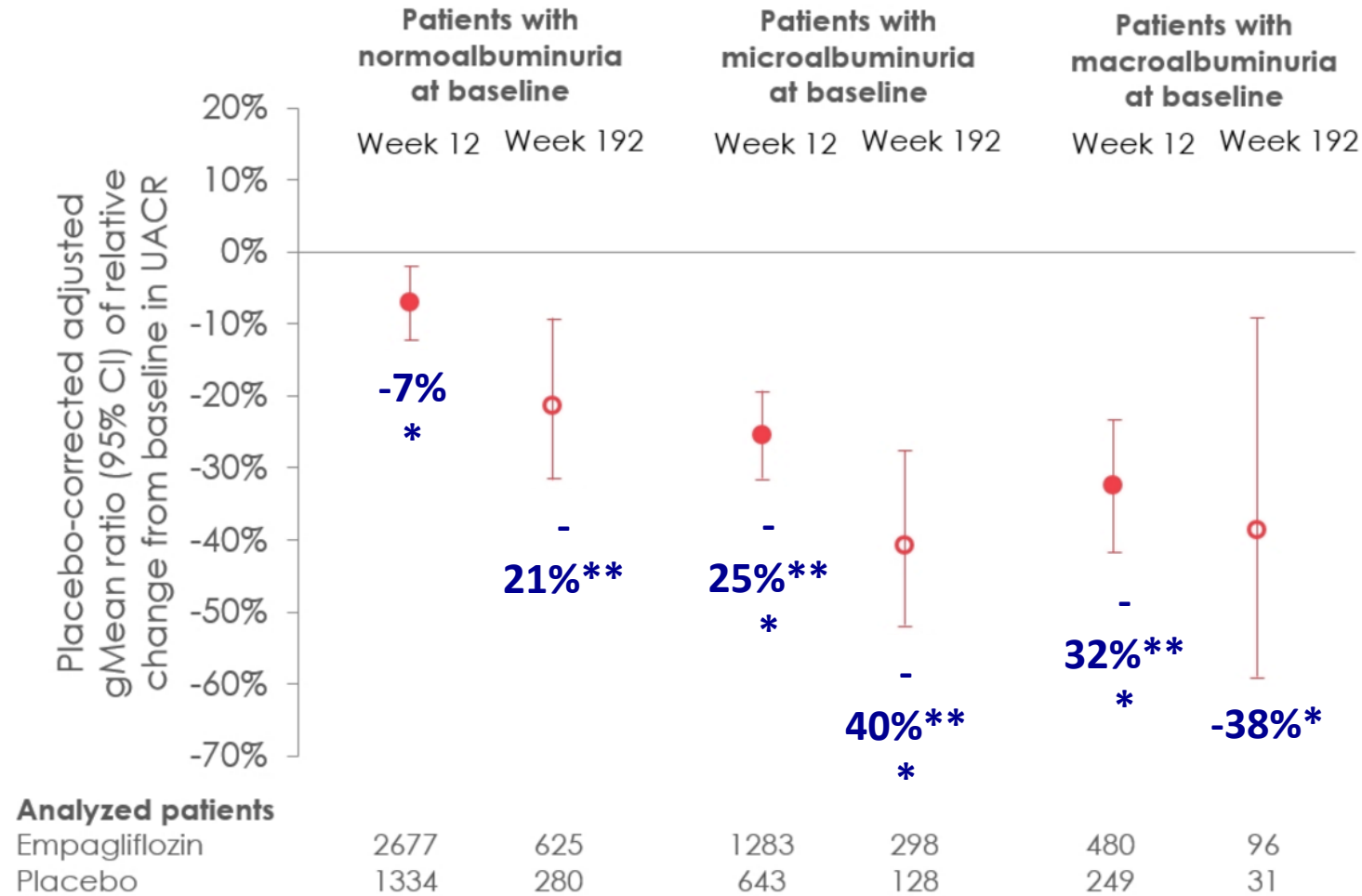


# eGFR (CKD-EPI formula) over 192 weeks



	No. analyzed															
	0	4	12	28	52	66	80	94	108	122	136	150	164	178	192	
Placebo	2323	2295	2267	2205	2121	2064	1927	1981	1763	1479	1262	1123	977	731	448	
Empagliflozin 10 mg	2322	2290	2264	2235	2162	2114	2012	2064	1839	1540	1314	1180	1024	785	513	
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# Placebo-corrected change in UACR from baseline at week 12 and week 192

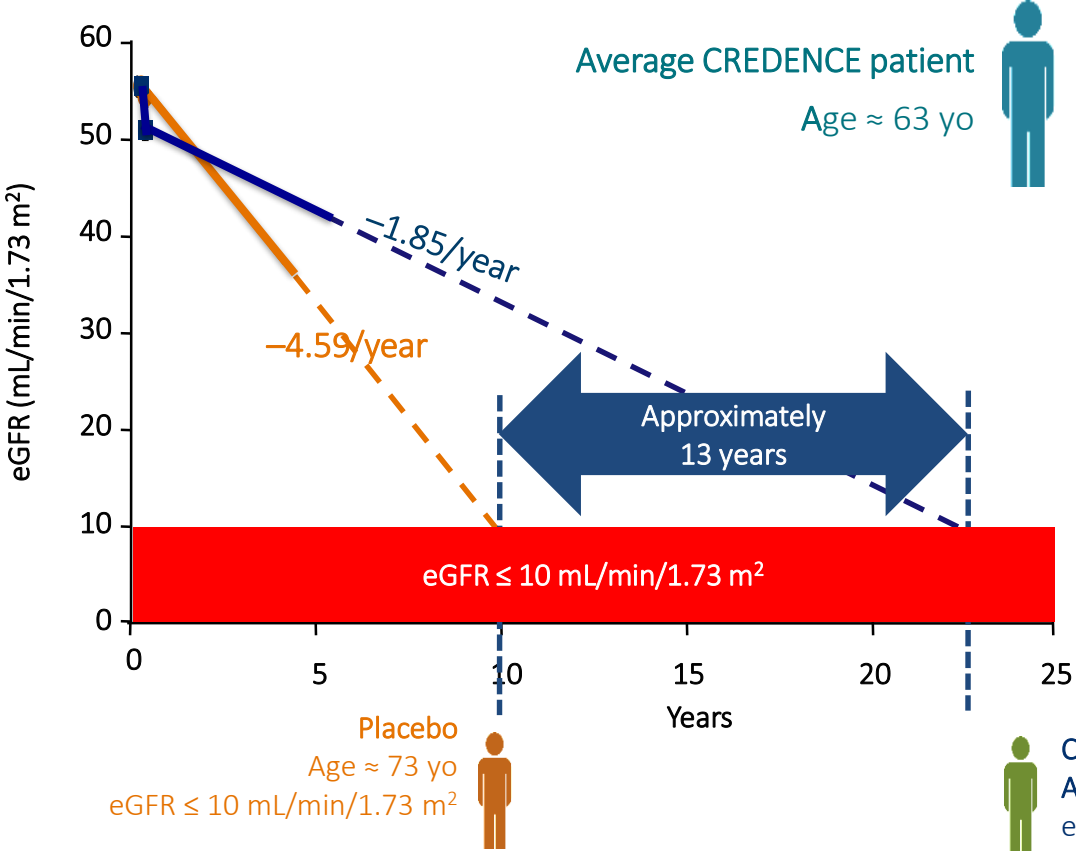


MMRM in the treated set (OC-AD). Normoalbuminuria: UACR <30 mg/g; microalbuminuria: UACR ≥30 to ≤300 mg/g; macroalbuminuria: UACR >300 mg/g.

\*p<0.05; \*\*p<0.01; \*\*\*p<0.001 for difference vs placebo.



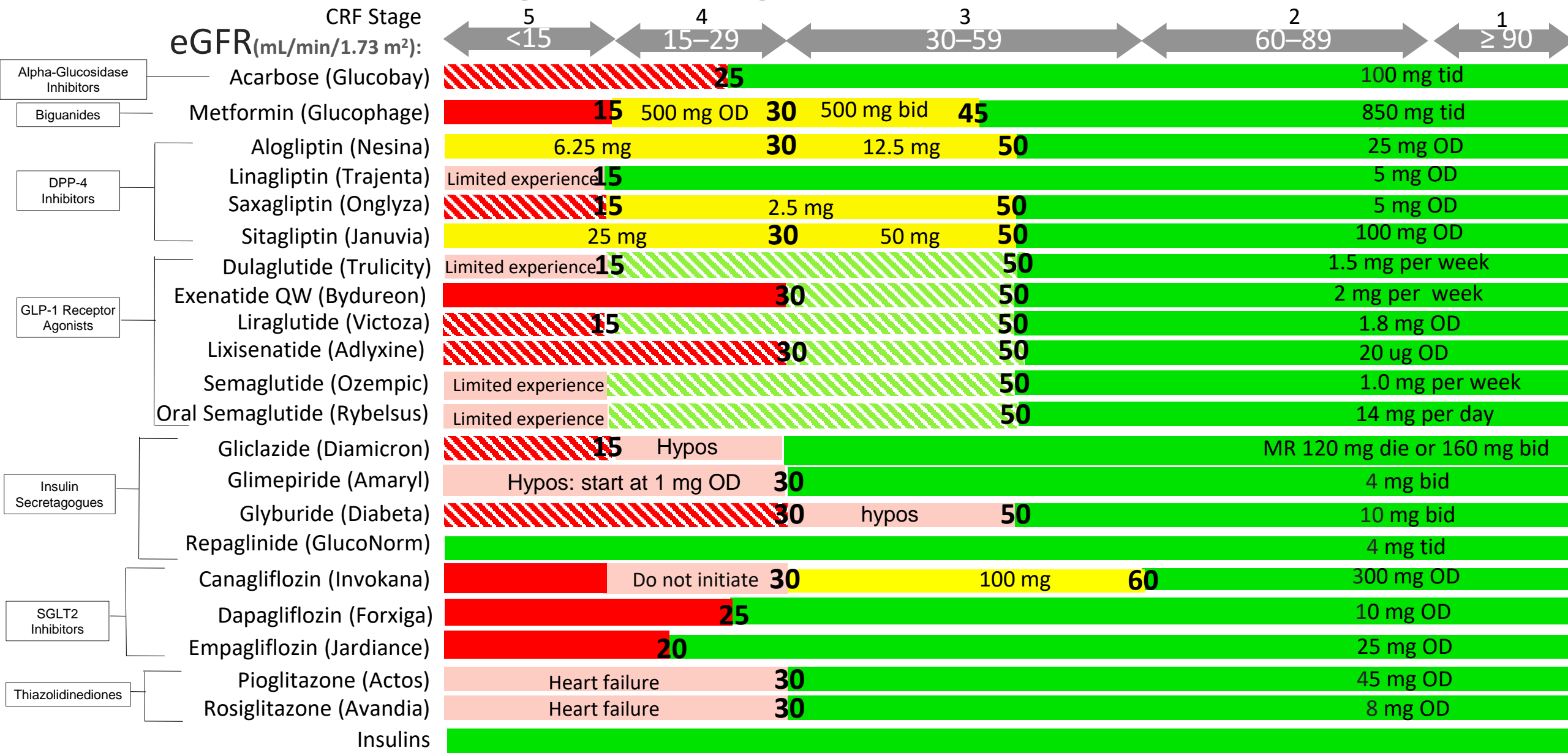
# Potential Importance of SGLT2 Inhibition



Dialysis, kidney transplantation or renal death (number of events)*	
Canagliflozin (n=2202)	Placebo (n=2199)
78	105
RR 0.72 (95% CI 0.54–0.97)	
*Post-hoc analysis	

- Adapted from: Perkovic et al., *N Engl J Med* 2019, DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa1811744.
- Rivara & Mehrotra, *Semin Nephrol.* 2017; 37(2): 181–193.

# Antihyperglycemic Agents and Renal Failure



■ Contraindicated  
 ■ Not recommended  
 ■ Dose adjustment required  
 ■ Caution: reason indicated  
 ■ Titrate carefully to avoid nausea  
 ■ Safe

The dose indicated is the highest dose that can be used at that eGFR

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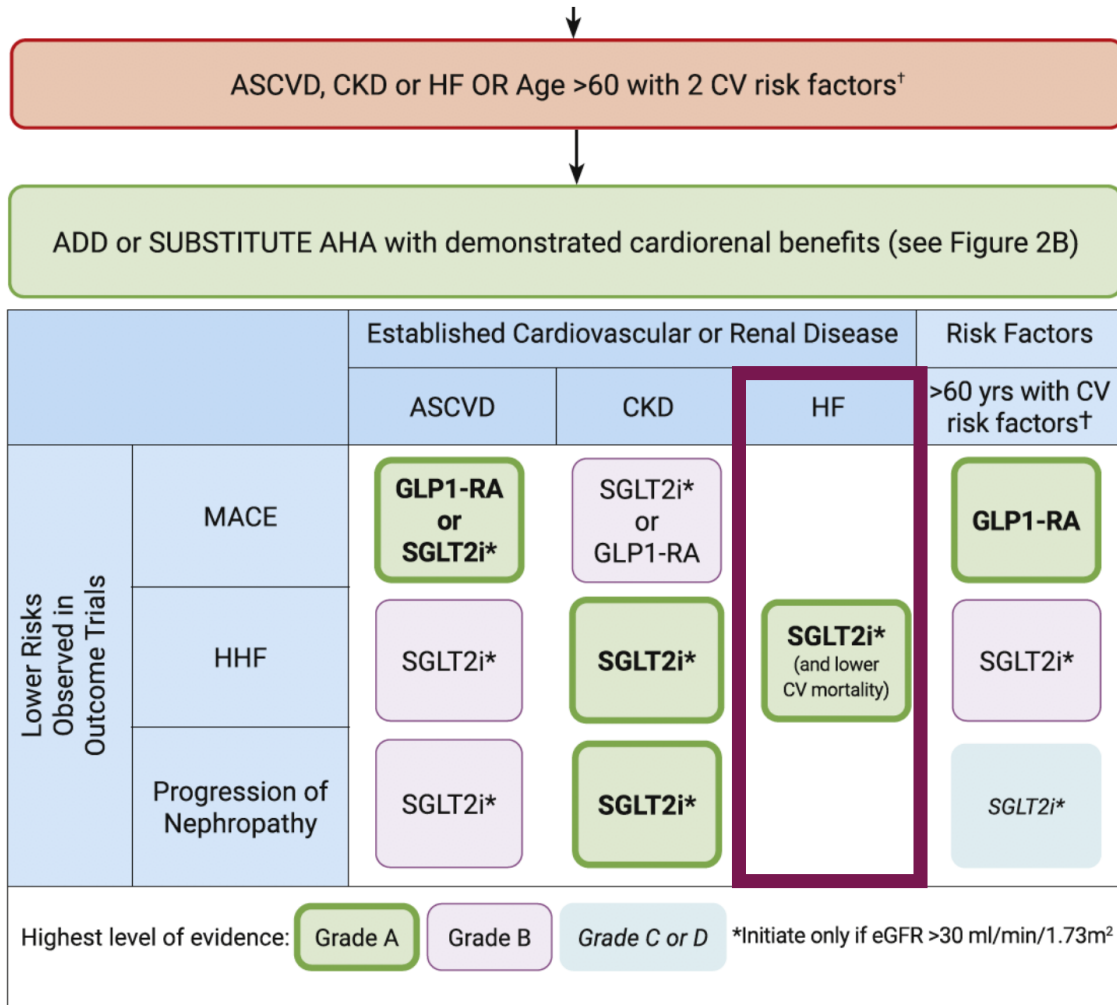
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	HHF	SGLT2i*	SGLT2i*	SGLT2i* (and lower CV mortality)	SGLT2i*
	Progression of Nephropathy	SGLT2i*	SGLT2i*		SGLT2i*

Highest level of evidence: Grade A Grade B Grade C or D \*Initiate only if eGFR >30 ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup>



# Heart Failure Population



SGLT2 Inhibitors			
	Empa- gliflozin	Cana- gliflozi n	Dapa- gliflozin
	Jardiance	Invokana	Forxiga
Trial	Emperor reduced		DAPA-HF
Population	N=3730		N=474
Duration	1.3 yrs		1.5 yrs
MACE			
HHF	↓ 25		↓ 26

**Practical point: Your patient with heart failure may not have been diagnosed. Shortness of breath and ankle edema are frequent in our patients with type 2 diabetes. Ankle edema will frequently respond dramatically to the addition of an SGLT2 inhibitor**

CPG2020: Lipscombe L et al. Canadian Journal of Diabetes 44: 575-91, 2020.

DAPA-HF: McMurray JJV et al. NEJM 381: 1995-2008, 2019.

EMPEROR-Reduced: Packer M et al. NEJM DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa 2022190

ASCVD, CKD or HF OR Age >60 with 2 CV risk factors<sup>†</sup>

ADD or SUBSTITUTE AHA with demonstrated cardiorenal benefits (see Figure 2B)

		Established Cardiovascular or Renal Disease			Risk Factors
		ASCVD	CKD	HF	>60 yrs with CV risk factors <sup>†</sup>
Lower Risks Observed in Outcome Trials	MACE	GLP1-RA or SGLT2i*	SGLT2i* or GLP1-RA		GLP1-RA
	HHF	SGLT2i*	SGLT2i*	SGLT2i* (and lower CV mortality)	SGLT2i*
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	Progression of Nephropathy	SGLT2i*	SGLT2i*		SGLT2i*
Highest level of evidence:		Grade A	Grade B	Grade C or D	*Initiate only if eGFR >30 ml/min/1.73m <sup>2</sup>

**Regular Review**

- Assess glycemic control, cardiovascular and renal status
- Screen for complications (eyes, feet, kidneys)
- Review efficacy, side effects, safety and ability to take current medications
- Reinforce and support healthy behaviour interventions

If A1C NOT at Target and/or Change in Clinical Status

Adjust or advance therapy\*

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A1C above target and glucose lowering required

ADD or SUBSTITUTE AHA<sup>††</sup> according to clinical priorities<sup>†††</sup> start insulin for symptomatic hyperglycemia and/or metabolic decompensation (Figure 3)

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Fixed-dose combinations may be considered to reduce burden

## Discussion With Patient: Choice of Treatment to Add to Metformin

	 A1C (%)	 Weight	 Hypoglycemia	 HEART	 KIDNEYS	 Other adverse effects	 Public Coverage	 Tablet vs Injection
Sulfonylureas	□□		YES				YES	Tablet
SGLT-2i	□□□□	□□	NO	GOOD	GOOD	Mycosis	Varies	Tablet
DPP-4i	□□	0	NO				Varies	Tablet
GLP-1RA	□□□□	□□	NO	GOOD	good	Nausea	Varies	Tablet <sup>[SEP]</sup> Injection
INSULIN	□□□□		YES				YES	Injection







The choice has to be individualized according to the patient's characteristics:  
which of these factors are to be prioritized for THIS patient ?

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DPP-4i	□□	0	NO				Varies	Tablet
<b>GLP-1RA</b>	□□□□	□□	NO	<b>GOOD</b>	good	Nausea	Varies	Tablet <sup>[SEP]</sup> Injection
INSULIN	□□□□		YES				YES	Injection

**Patient with cardiovascular disease or > 60 yo with risk factors**








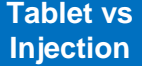
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**Patient with heart failure**











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**Patient with pre-existing renal disease (microalbuminuria)**

## Discussion With Patient: Choice of Treatment to Add to Metformin

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DPP-4i	□□	0	NO				Varies	Tablet
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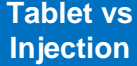
**Patient that needs to lose weight**

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**Patient that needs to avoid hypoglycemia**

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But of course the majority of our patients have a list of priorities

# Antihyperglycemic Coverage by RAMQ

Class	Medication	\$/day at max dose	MONO if SU and MET NT or CI	+ MET if SU CI,NT or INEFF	+ SU if Met CI, NT or INEFF	IF CVD + A1c>7	+ MET if DPP4i INEFF, NT or CI and BMI > 30 and high A1c	If other SU CI,NT or INEFF
Biguanides	Metformin (Glucophage)	0.18						
α-Glucosidase Inhibitors	Acarbose (Glucobay)	1.03						
DPP-4 Inhibitors	Alogliptin (Nesina)	2.10	EN167	EN148 (EN150 Kazano)	EN149			
	Linagliptin (Trajenta)	2.25	EN167	EN148 (EN150 Jentaduetto)				
	Saxagliptin (Onglyza)	2.30		EN148 (EN150 Komboglyze)	EN149			
	Sitagliptin (Januvia)	2.62	EN167	EN148 (EN150 Janumet et XR)				
SGLT2 Inhibitors	Canagliflozin (Invokana)	2.62	EN167	EN148	EN149			
	Dapagliflozin (Forxiga)	2.45		EN148 (EN150 Xigduo)	EN149			
	Empagliflozin (Jardiance)	2.62	EN167	EN148 (EN219 Synjardy)		EN179		
GLP-1R Agonists	Liraglutide (Victoza)	6.85					Form	
	Exenatide (Byetta)	2.49						
	Exenatide QW (Bydureon)	6.85						
	Dulaglutide (Trulicity)	6.85					Form	
	Semaglutide (Ozempic)	6.85					Form	
Thiazolidinediones	Pioglitazone (Actos)	1.05	EN121	EN118	EN119			
	Rosiglitazone (Avandia)	2.87	EN121	EN118 (EN81 Avandamet)	EN119			
Insulin Secretagogues	Gliclazide (Diamicon)	0.50						
	Glimepiride (Amaryl)	0.77						EN23
	Glyburide (Diabeta)	0.23						
	Repaglinide (GlucoNorm)	0.84						

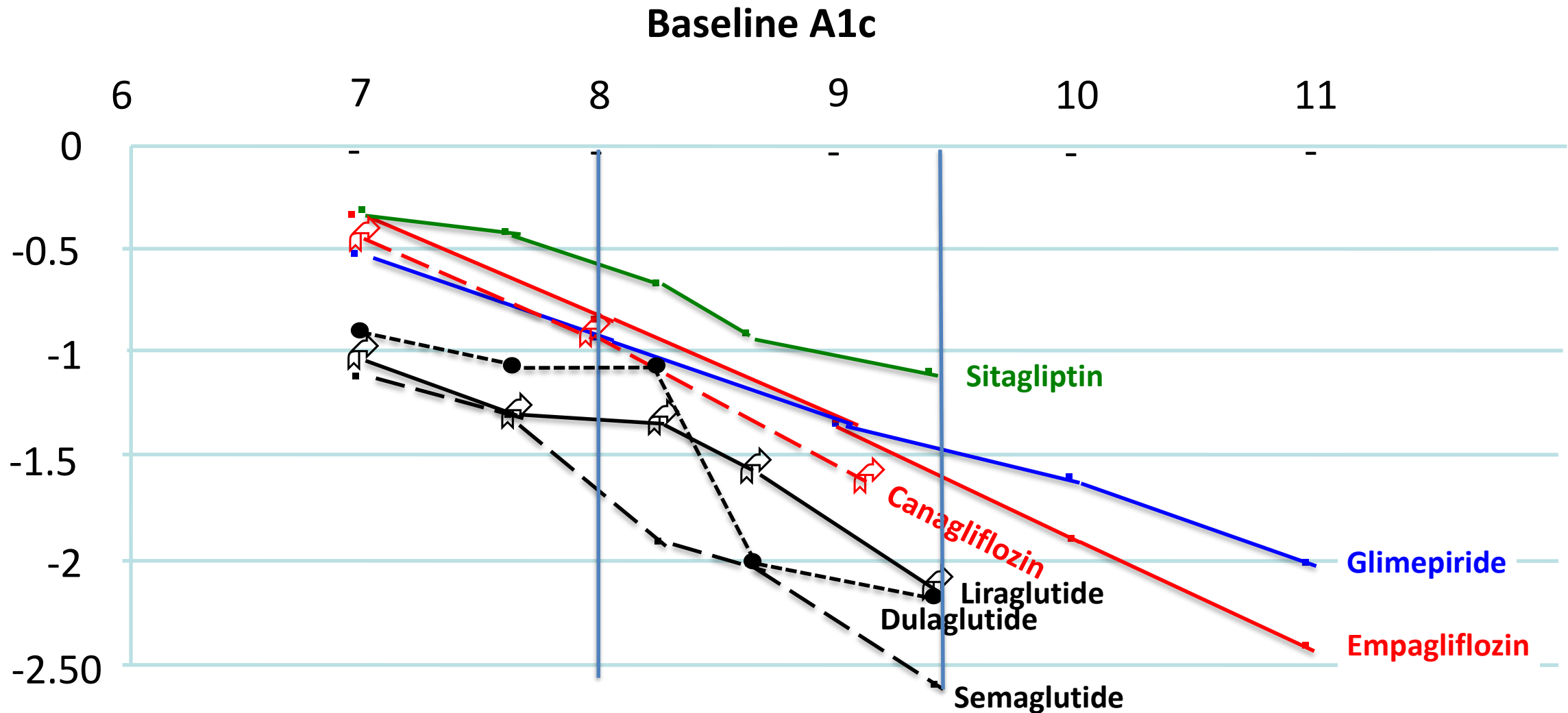
**Code EN179  
Empagliflozin:  
if CVD and  
A1c > 7%**

**Form:  
Liraglutide  
Dulaglutide:  
+ metformin  
BMI > 30  
A1c > 6.5%  
despite DPP-4i  
Annual renewal.**

**Form:  
Semaglutide:  
+ metformin  
+ SU CI, NT  
or INEFF  
No annual  
renewal**

Green = on general list: no code or form required Orange = Médicament d'exception: code or form required  
NT=Not tolerated INEFF=Inefficacious CI=Contraindicated SU=Sulfonylurea MET=Metformin Mono=Monotherapy Form=Médicament d'exception form required

# Impact of Baseline A1c on Efficacy



1. Pratley et al. Int J Clin Pract. 65:397, 2011

2. Rosenstock J et al. Diabetes Care 38:376,2015

3. Matthews et al. ADA Poster 1096-P, 2014

4. De Fronzo et al. ADA Poster 1276-P, 2015

5. Ahrens B et al. Lancet Diabetes Endocrinology 5:341, 2017

6. Pratley RE et al. ADA 2018 abstract 122-OR

# GLP-1 Receptor Agonists Available in Canada

## DAILY INJECTABLES

Exenatide BID (Byetta)



Lixisenatide (Adlyxine)



Liraglutide (Victoza)



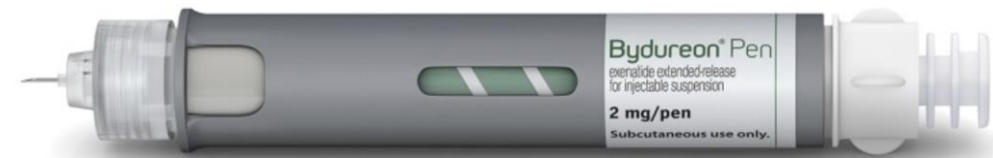
## DAILY ORAL

Oral semaglutide (Rybelsus)



## WEEKLY INJECTABLES

Exenatide QW (Bydureon)



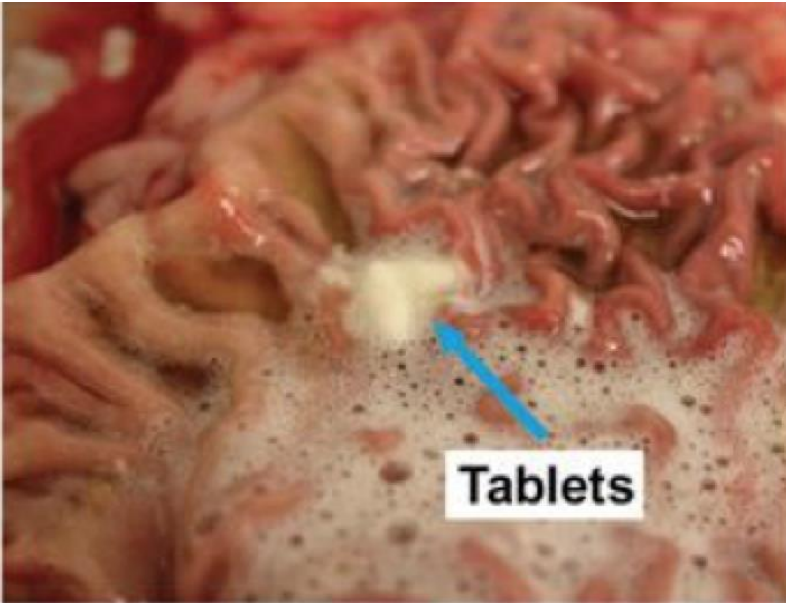
Dulaglutide (Trulicity)



Semaglutide (Ozempic)



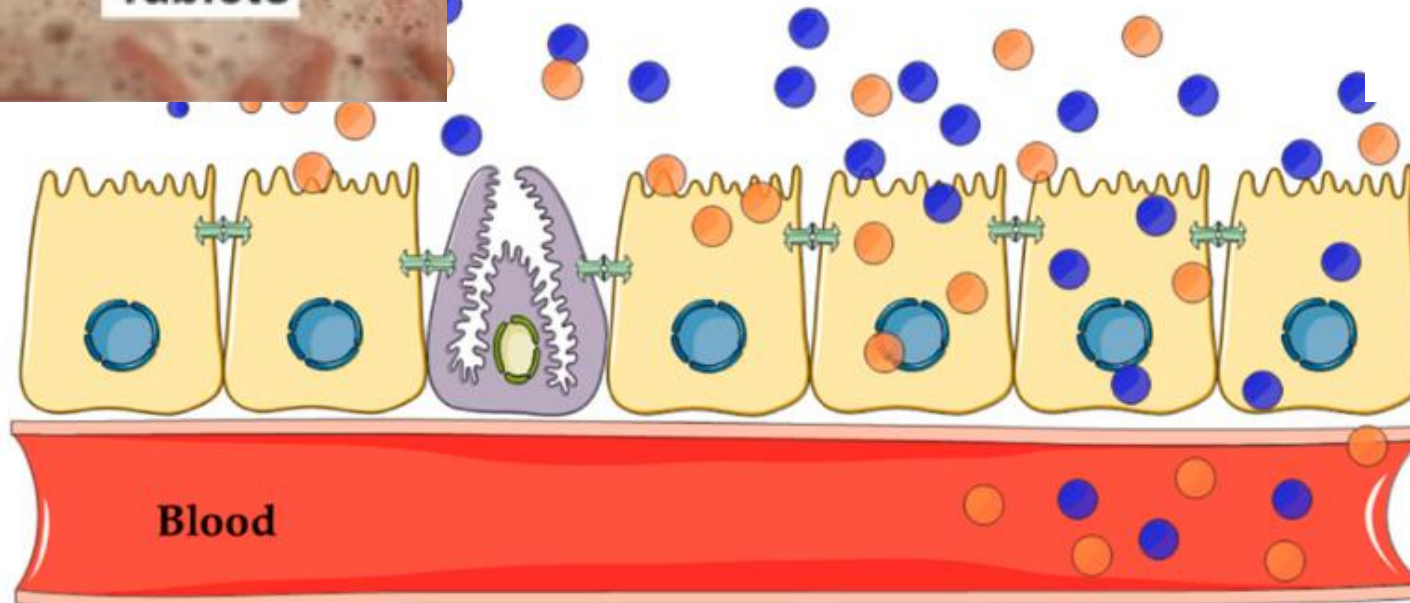
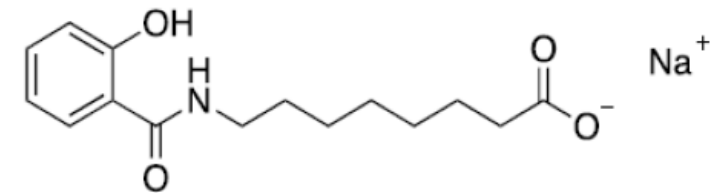
# Oral Semaglutide



● Semaglutide  
● SNAC

salcaprozate sodium (SNAC)

*MW 301 Da, pKa = 5.0*



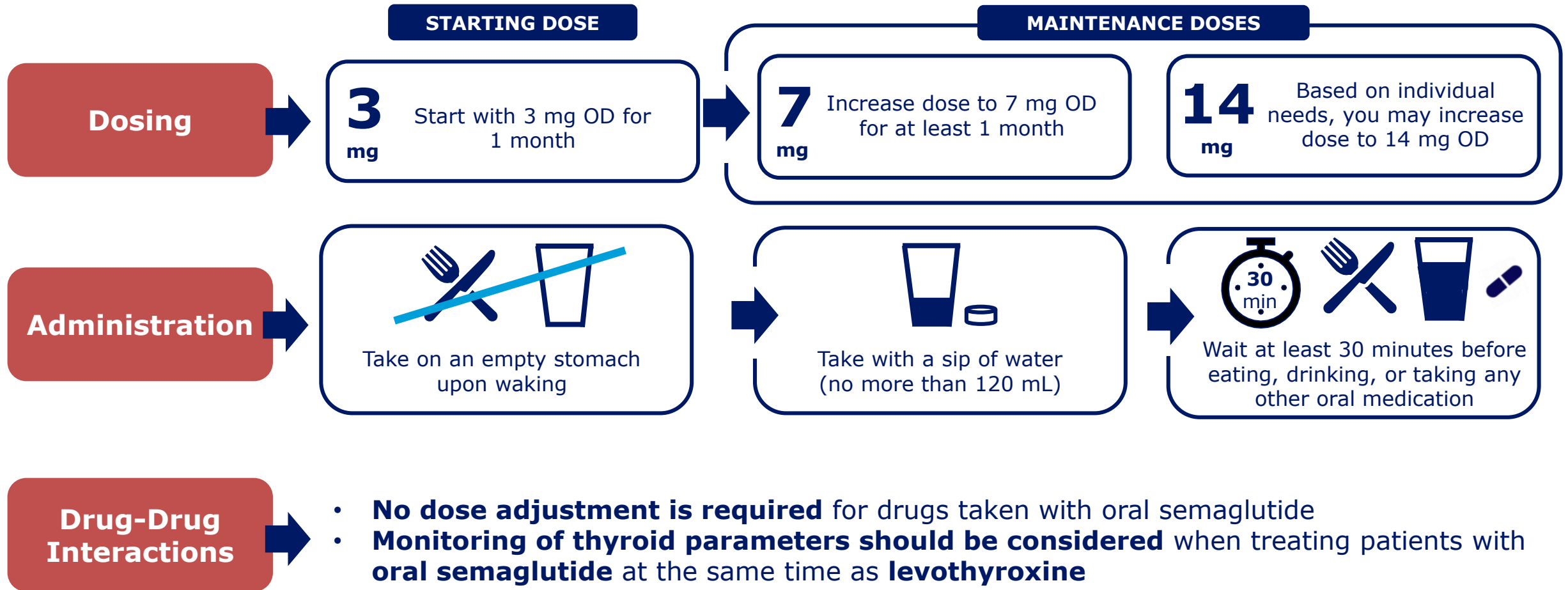
## SNAC:

- Increases pH to 7.0 in a 3cm area around the pill
- Inactivates pepsin
- Monomerises semaglutide
- Increases fluidity of membranes

Twarog C et al. Intestinal Permeation Enhancers for Oral Delivery of Macromolecules: A comparison between Salcaprozate Sodium (SNAC) and Sodium Caprate (C10). *Pharmaceutics* 2019; 11: 78



# Oral semaglutide dosing and administration\*



\*Proposed dosing instructions for oral semaglutide (Rybelsus®) Product Monograph in Canada. OD, once daily. Hauge, C., et al. Endocrine Society (ENDO) – 101st Annual Meeting and Expo. 2019: New Orleans, USA.

The use of these newer therapies can be less expensive than conventional therapies

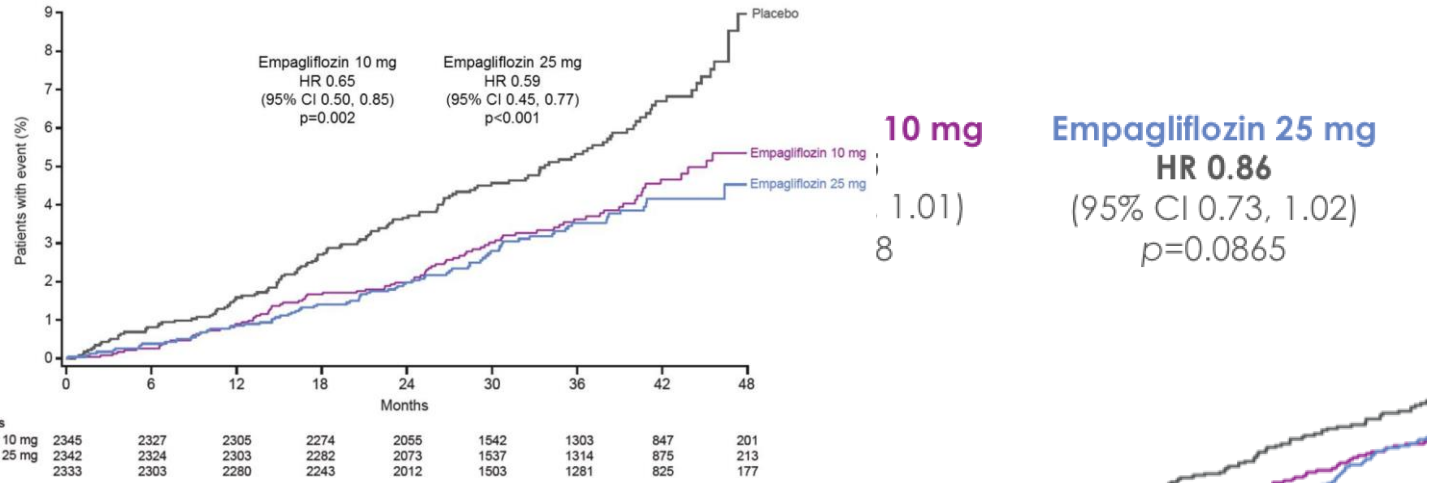
One Barrier:

Cost

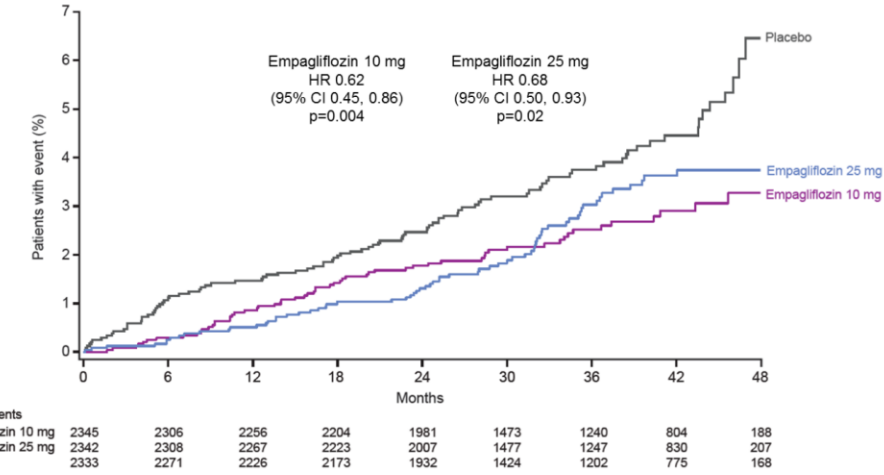


# Impact of Empagliflozin Dose

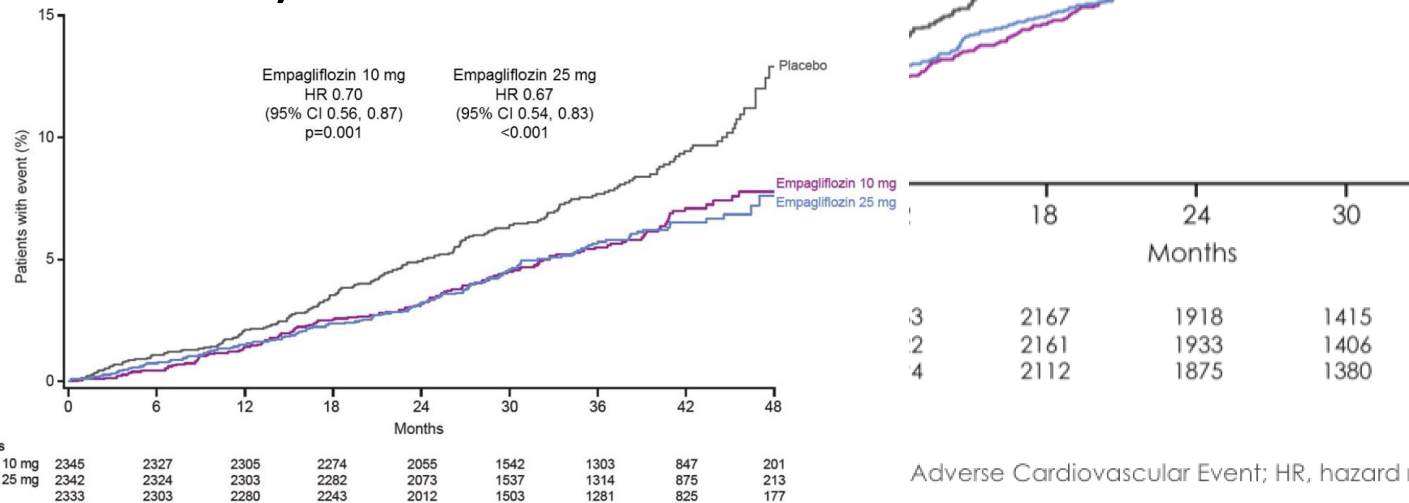
## Cardiovascular Deaths



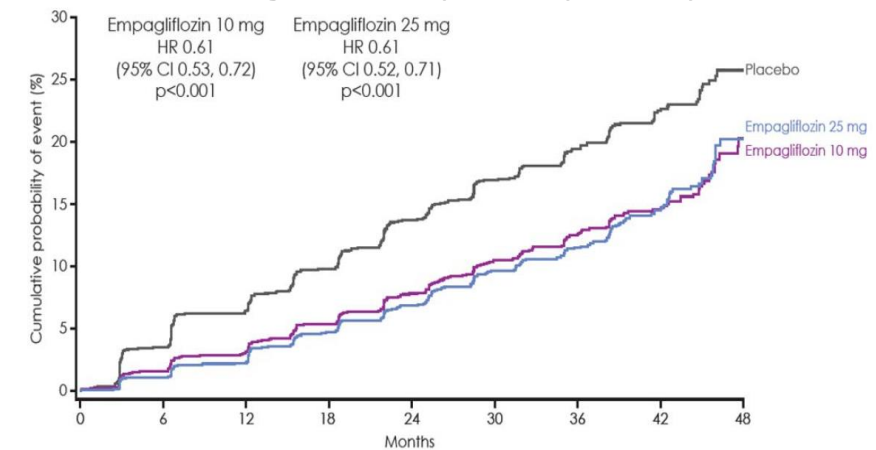
## Hospitalizations for HF



## Total Mortality



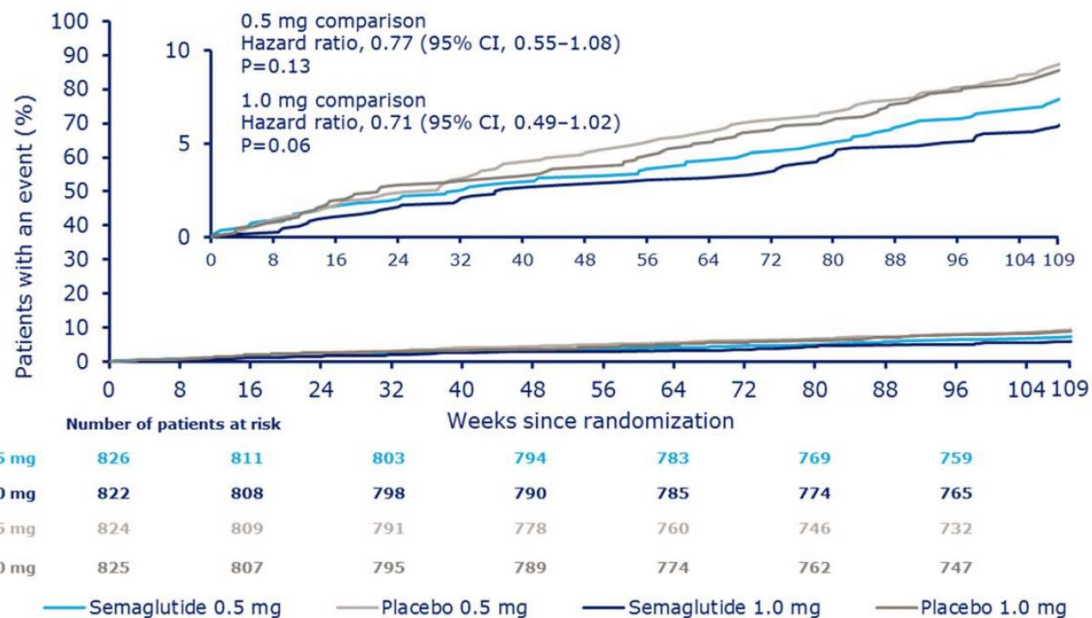
## Worsening of nephropathy



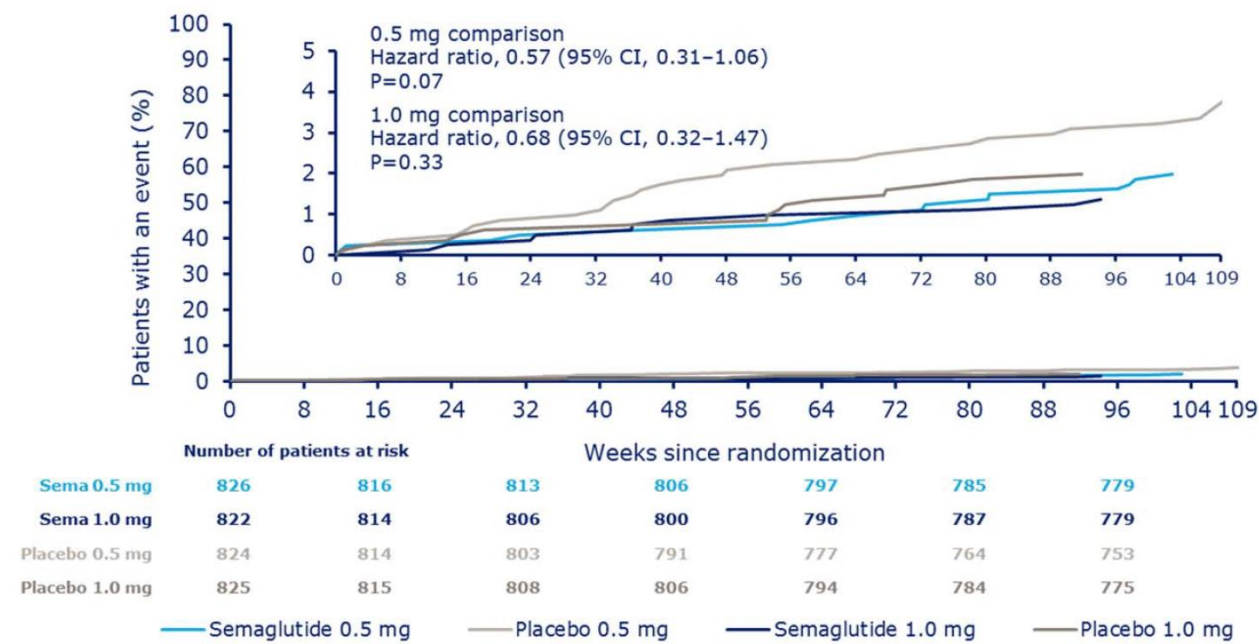
Adverse Cardiovascular Event; HR, hazard ratio

# Impact of semaglutide dose on cardio-renal benefits

## Primary Outcome



## Non fatal Stroke



# Decreasing SGLT2i Cost

Canagliflozin 100 mg

2.62/day



Canagliflozin 300 mg

2.62/day



Empagliflozin 10 mg

2.62/day



Empagliflozin 25 mg

2.62/day



Dapagliflozin 5 mg

2.45/day



Dapagliflozin 10 mg

2.45/day



# Reducing the Cost of a GLP-1R Agonist

Pen 0.25/0.5 mg



0.5 mg per week = \$ 6.25 per day  
One 2 mg pen = \$ 175,00

Pen 1.0 mg



1.0 mg per week = \$ 6.25 per day  
One 4 mg pen = 175,00\$

Using this pen to give 0.5 mg per week reduces the cost to \$ 3.12 per day.  
But they must count the clicks... 36 clicks



## Classical Approach

Agent	Cost \$/d	A1c drop
Metformin 850 BID	0.06	-1.1
Gliclazide MR 120 die	0.12	-0.8
Sitagliptin 100 die	2.62	-0.7
1 strip / day	0.70	
Total Cost	3.50	

How to decrease the cost of new medications

$\$4.43 \times 365 = \text{Savings of } \$1600 / \text{year}$

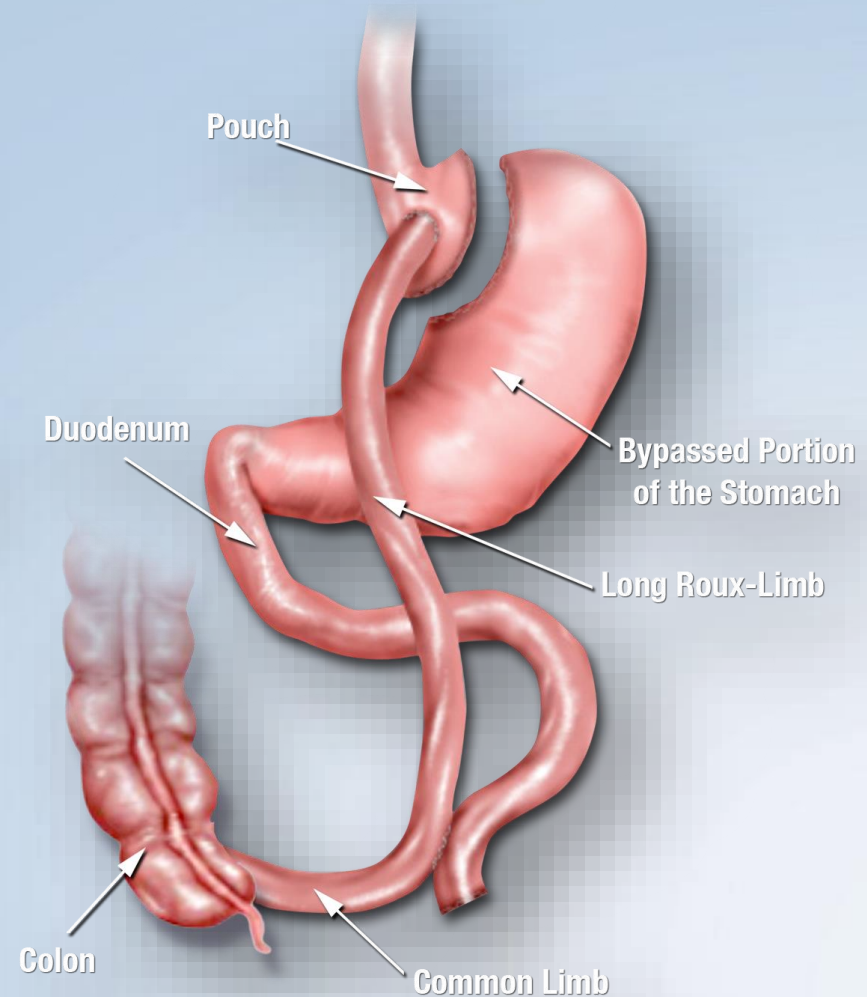
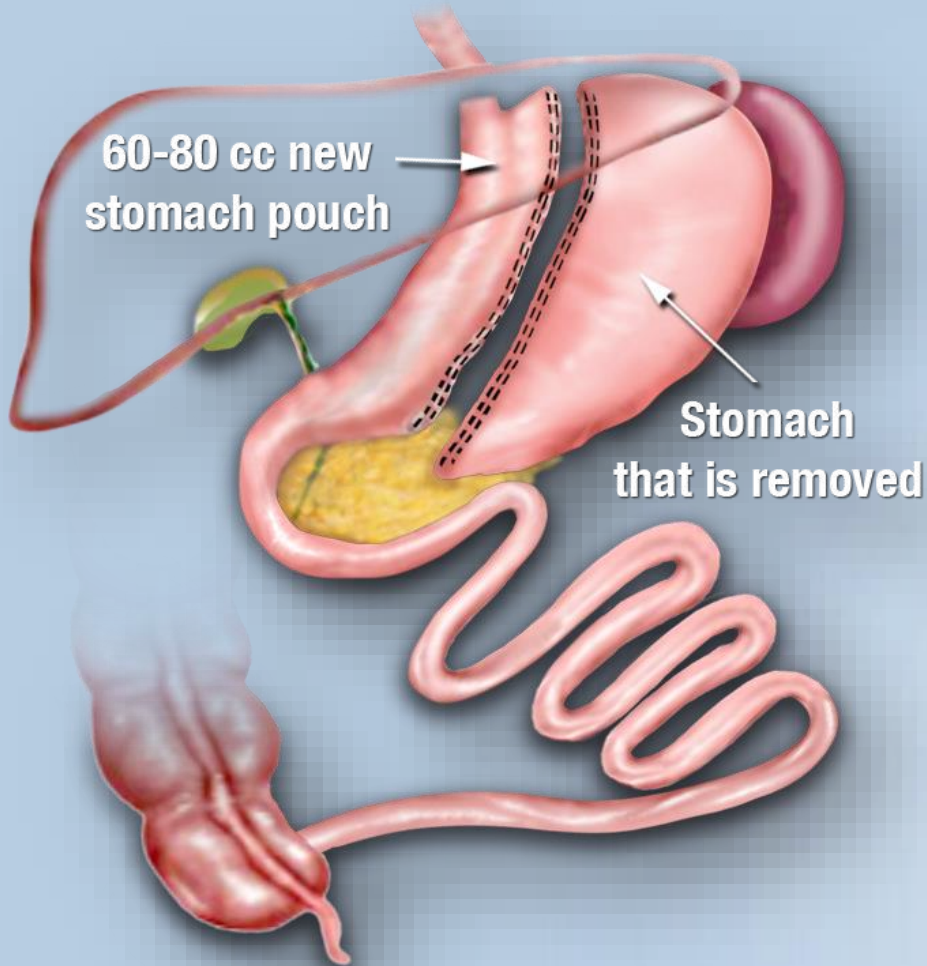
## New Approach

Agent	Cost \$/d	A1c drop
Metformin 850 BID	0.06	-1.1
Empagliflozin 10 die	2.62	-0.7
Semaglutide 0.5/week	6.25	-1.3
0 strip / day	0	
Total Cost	8.93	

# Bariatric Surgery (if BMI>35)

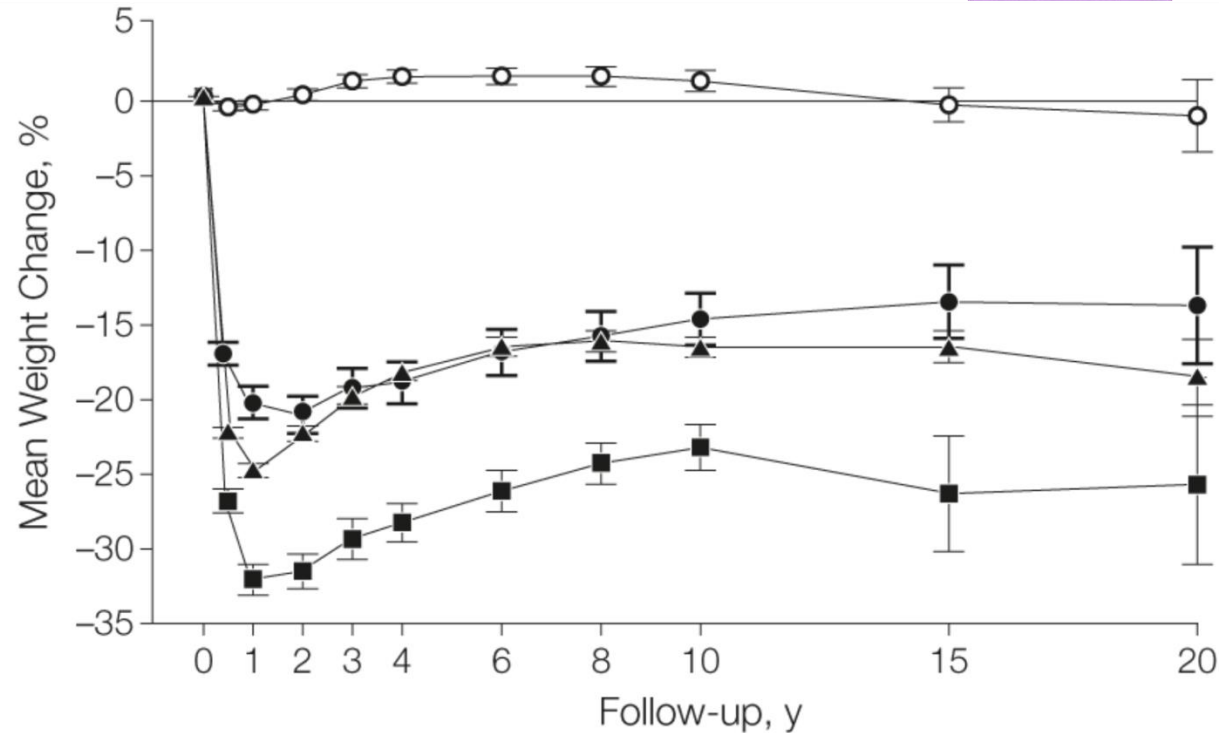
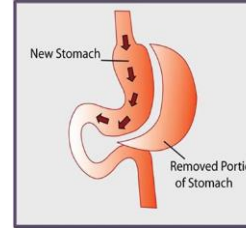
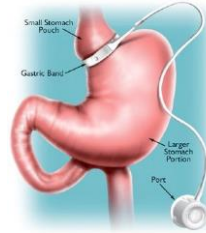
Sleeve Gastrectomy

Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass



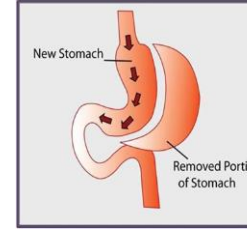
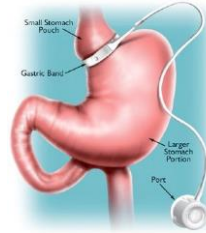


# Swedish Obese Subjects (SOS) Data



No. of patients	0	1	2	3	4	6	8	10	15	20
Control	2037	1490	1242	1267	556	176				
Banding	376	333	284	284	150	50				
Vertical banded gastroplasty	1369	1086	987	1007	489	82				
Gastric bypass	265	209	184	180	37	13				

# Weight Loss and Diabetes Remission



	<b>Banding</b>	<b>Sleeve</b>	<b>Bypass</b>
Mortality	0.0%	0.0%	0.22%
Diabetes Remission (old)	57 %	80 %	80 %
Diabetes Remission (new)	<b>6 %</b>	<b>26 %</b>	<b>41 %</b>
A1c pre	7.7	7.5	8.1
A1c post	6.3	6.8	6.2

New Definition of Remission: A1c < 6% + FPG < 5.6mM for 1 year post surgery, with no active hypoglycemic pharmacologic therapy or ongoing procedures.

# Counsel all patients about sick days medications list

## Sick Days medication list

**S** sulfonylureas (2)  
**A** ACE-inhibitors (1)  
**D** diuretics, direct renin inhibitors (1,5)  
  
**M** metformin (3)  
**A** angiotensin receptor blockers (1)  
**N** non-steroidal anti-inflammatory (1)  
**S** SGLT2 inhibitors (4,5)

- 1: Stopped because if dehydration occurs, these meds can harm the kidney.
- 2: Stopped because if pre-renal failure occurs, these meds can cause hypoglycemia.
- 3: Stopped because if pre-renal failure occurs, these meds can cause lactic acidosis.
- 4: Stopped because if pre-renal failure occurs, these meds can cause ketosis
- 4: Stopped because these drugs can worsen dehydration

# Comparison of Basal Insulins

	NPH	Detemir	Glargine U100	Glargine U100	<b>NEW</b> Glargine U300	Degludec 100 or 200
<b>Commercial names</b>	Humulin N Novolin NPH	Levemir	Lantus	Basaglar	Toujeo	Tresiba
<b>Duration of action</b>	16 h	20 h	24 h	24 h	> 24 h	42h
<b>Potency to reduce A1C (%)</b>	> 0.9 %	> 0.9 %	> 0.9%	> 0.9%	> 0.9 %	> 0.9%
<b>Nocturnal hypoglycemia risk (RR)</b>	1	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.4
<b>Effects on body weight</b>	↑	↔ or ↑	↑	↑	↑	↑
<b>Long-term CV safety</b>	UKPDS		ORIGIN			DEVOTE
<b>Monthly cost (50 units/day)*</b>	~\$49.50	~\$112.50	~\$100.50	~\$85.50	~\$96.00	~\$112.50

A1C: glycated hemoglobin; RR: relative risk; UKPDS: UK Prospective Diabetes Study; ORIGIN: Outcome Reduction With Initial Glargine Intervention

\*Based on the Diabetes Canada's approximate cost reference list for insulins available at: [http://guidelines.diabetes.ca/browse/appendices/appendix5\\_2016](http://guidelines.diabetes.ca/browse/appendices/appendix5_2016)  
 Monthly cost calculated based on per unit cost provided X 50 units/day X 30 days. Insulin prices are based on the pen cartridge price and the corresponding vial price would be marginally less.

# What Do You Do with Background Antihyperglycemic Agents When a Patient is Started on Insulin?

Class	Kept?	Why?
Metformin	YES	Studies have shown efficacy of these agents in presence of insulin, with less hypoglycemia and weight gain vs. insulin alone.
DPP-4 inhibitors	YES	
GLP-1RAs	YES	
SGLT2 inhibitors	YES	
Acarbose	YES	
Insulin secretagogues	+/-	May be associated with more hypoglycemia and weight gain, but also reduced insulin dosing and less need for > 1 injection of insulin per day. Consider reducing the dose of insulin secretagogues when initiating insulin.
Thiazolidinediones	NO	Cause water retention and edema. These side effects have been shown to be more frequent in presence of insulin, with an increase in the risk of heart failure.

**Note: When continuing non-insulin agents with insulin, the costs should be considered in addition to the benefits.**

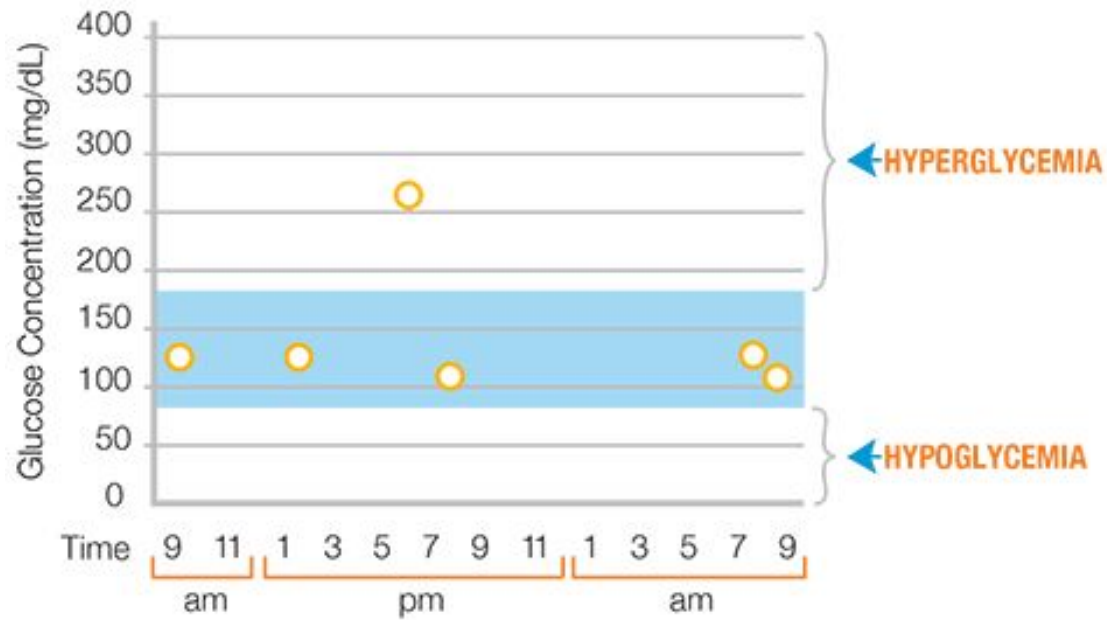
# Titration Protocols with Basal Insulins

	Basal Analogue Insulins (NPH, detemir, glargine 100 or 300)	Longer-acting Basal Insulins (glargine 300, degludec)
Start with	10 units, once a day at bedtime	
Titrate	Every day	<b>Once a week</b>
Based on	Fasting blood glucose level	
Increase or reduce by	1 unit	<b>4 units</b>
Until	Reaching the target (5.5 or 7)	

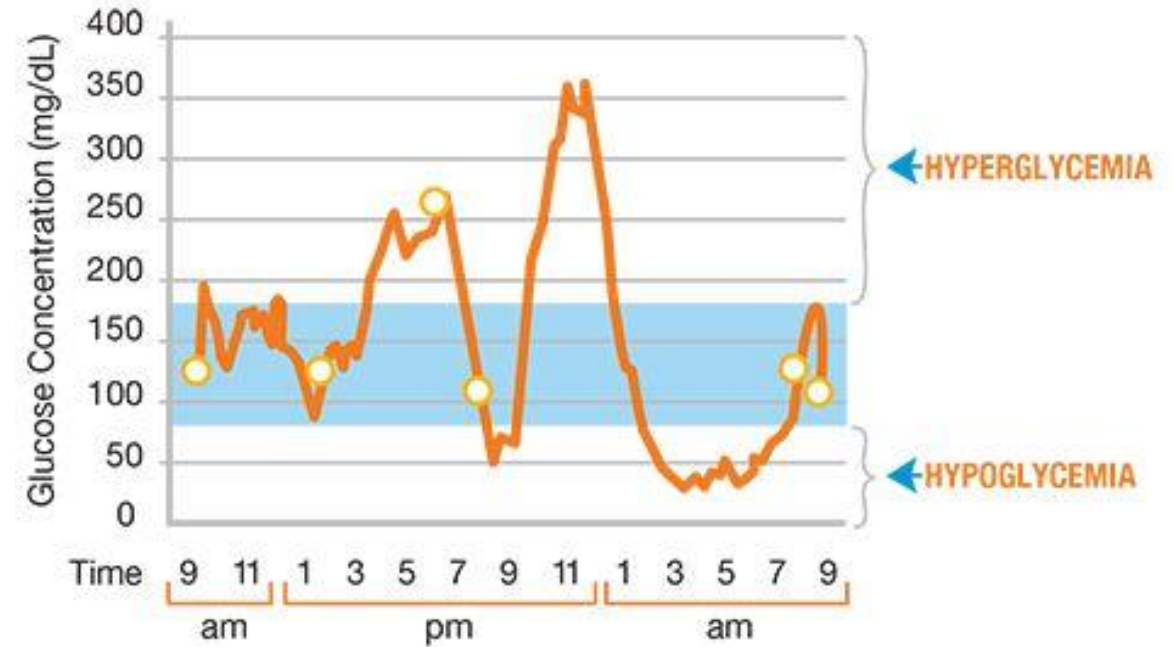
# Glucose Monitoring



Capillary blood glucose monitoring



Continuous glucose monitoring



# DexCom G6

Sensor functional for 10 days.

No calibration required

Values can be used to modify insulin dosages without a capillary glucose confirmation

Data sent to a cloud: can be viewed at a distance

Programmable alerts

Can be connected with Tandem pumps





# Libre

Sensor functional for 14 days.

No calibration required.

Integrated capillary glucose and capillary ketones meter.

When scanning, data from last 8 hours are transferred

No continuous communication: no alerts



Change in glucose  
in next 15-20  
minutes

> 2mM

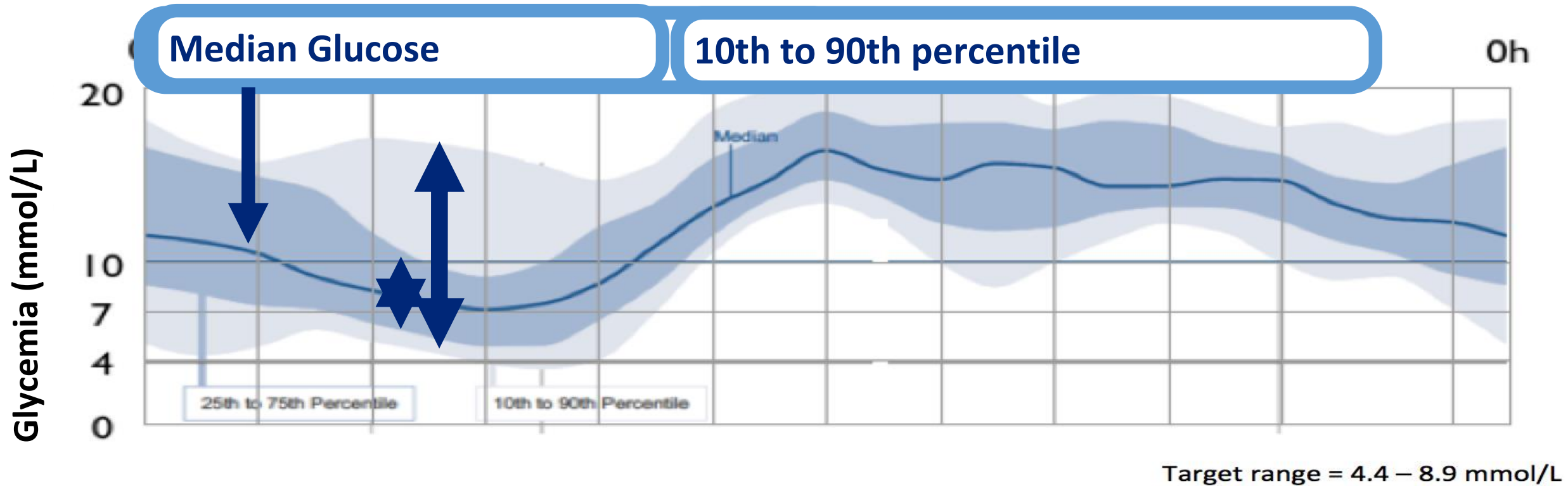
1-2 mM

< 1 mM

1-2 mM

> 2 mM

# Ambulatory Glucose



10% risk of hypoglycemia in the morning

Median glucose Ok in AM, elevated from lunch to bedtime

Large variability, particularly at night

# Nasal Glucagon

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# The End



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