

Navigating Through The Latest Diabetes Clinical Trials – The Role of Newer Drugs

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Objectives

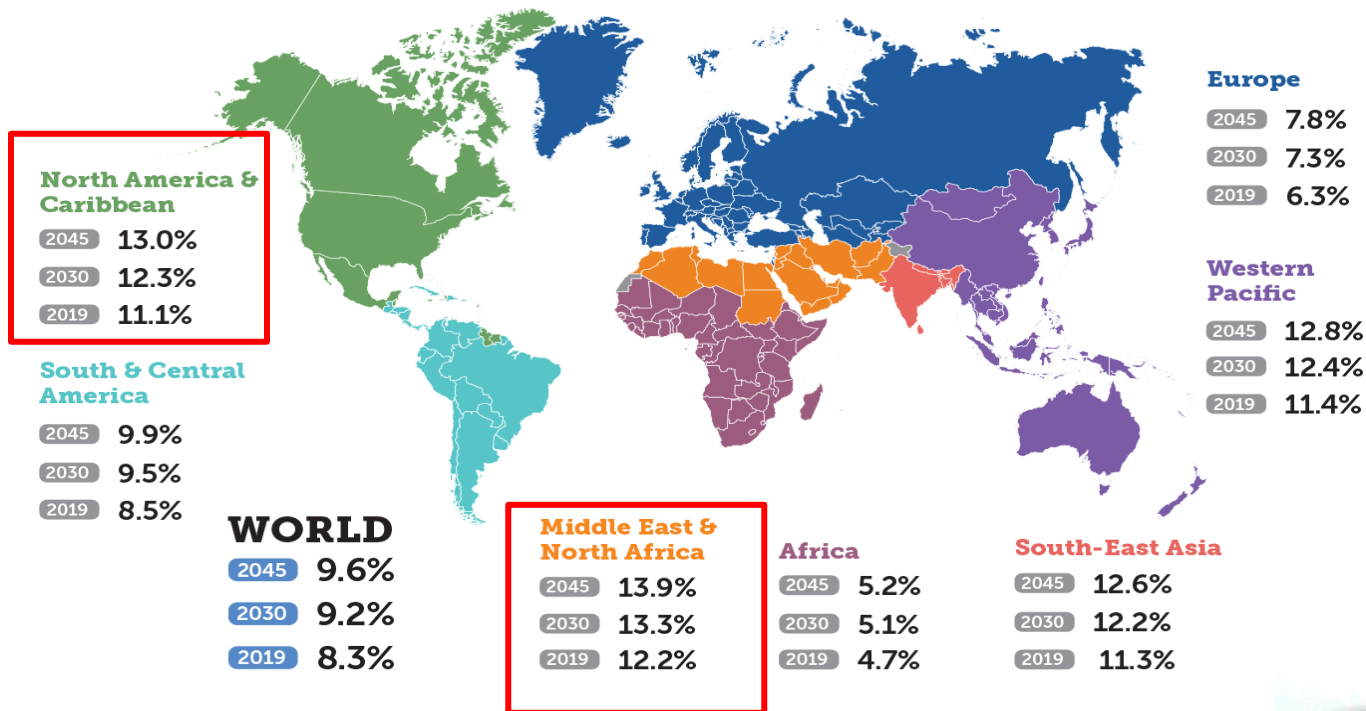
- Review landmark clinical trials and outcomes
- Evaluate the success and pitfalls of older medications
- Describe the timeline of emerging newer oral and non-insulin injectable agents
- Understand the cardiovascular and renal outcomes of newer drugs
- Summarize the role of newer drugs w practical approach to patient care



Prevalence

- Today, an estimated 9.3% of adults aged 20–79 years – a staggering 463 million people – are living with diabetes.

Map Prevalence of diabetes in adults (20–79 years) in IDF Regions, by age-adjusted comparative diabetes prevalence



For confidence intervals, see full *IDF Diabetes Atlas*, Table 3.4.



Diabetes & Cardiovascular Disease

- Several studies have shown that **patients with diabetes have higher mortality and morbidity rates than patients without diabetes** after an acute myocardial infarction

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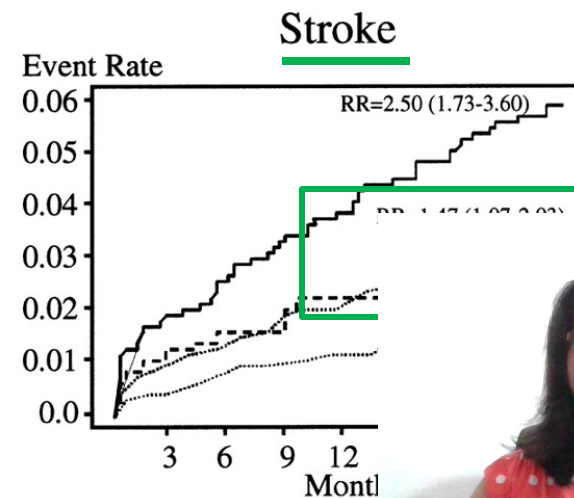
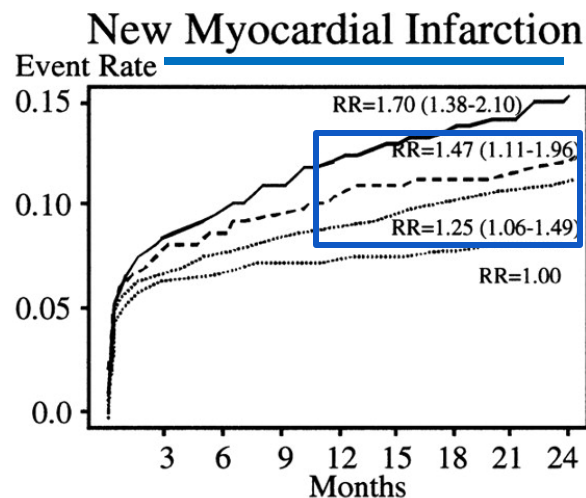
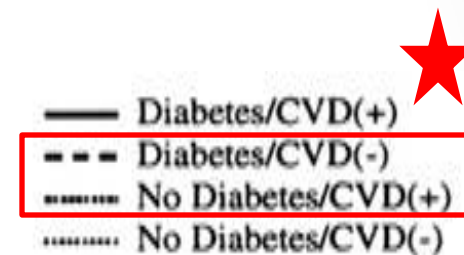
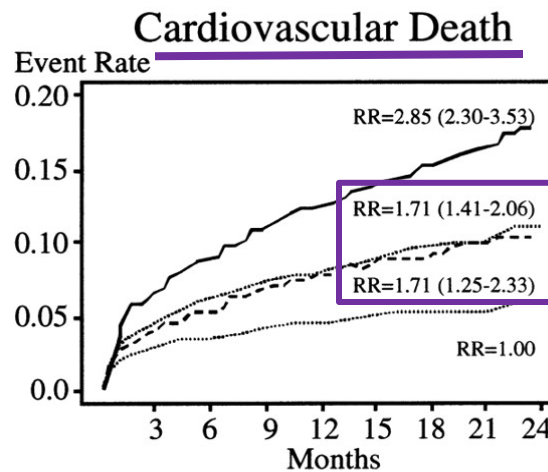
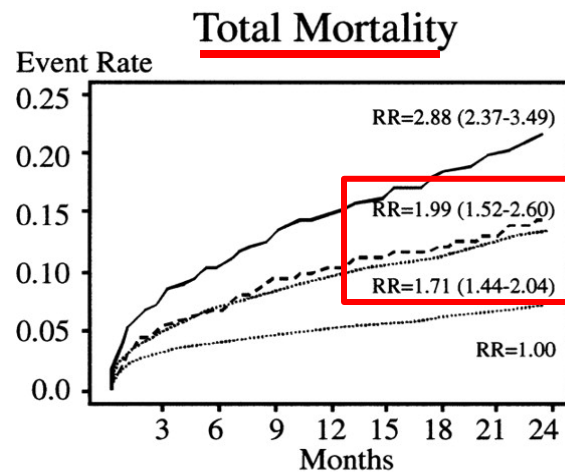
Diabetes & Cardiovascular Disease

- The Organization to Assess Strategies for Ischemic Syndromes (OASIS) registry results provided long-term information on 8013 patients with unstable coronary artery disease from 6 different countries and 95 hospitals.
- Mean age was 65 years for patients with and without DM
- They also had significantly more previous cardiovascular events, including MI, congestive heart failure, stroke, and more revascularization procedures.

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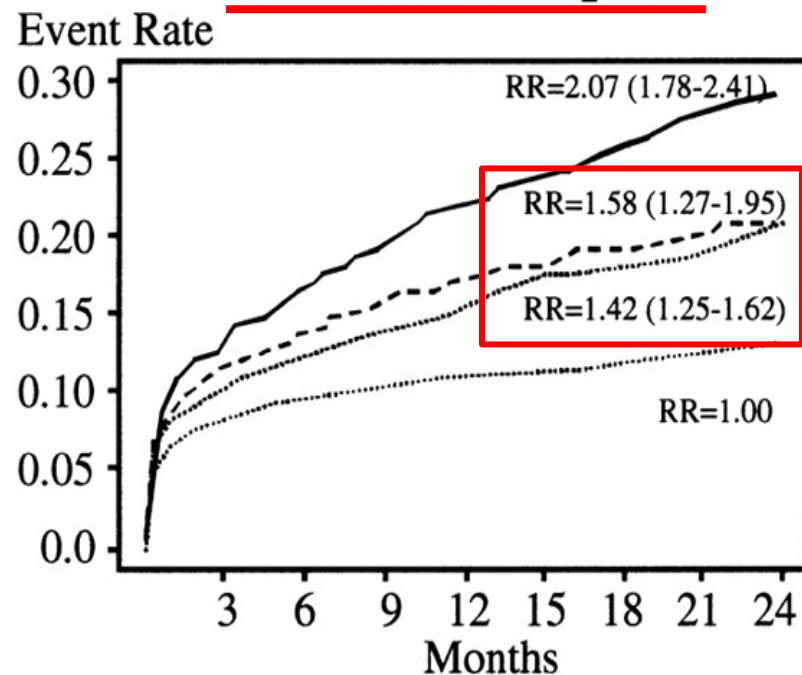


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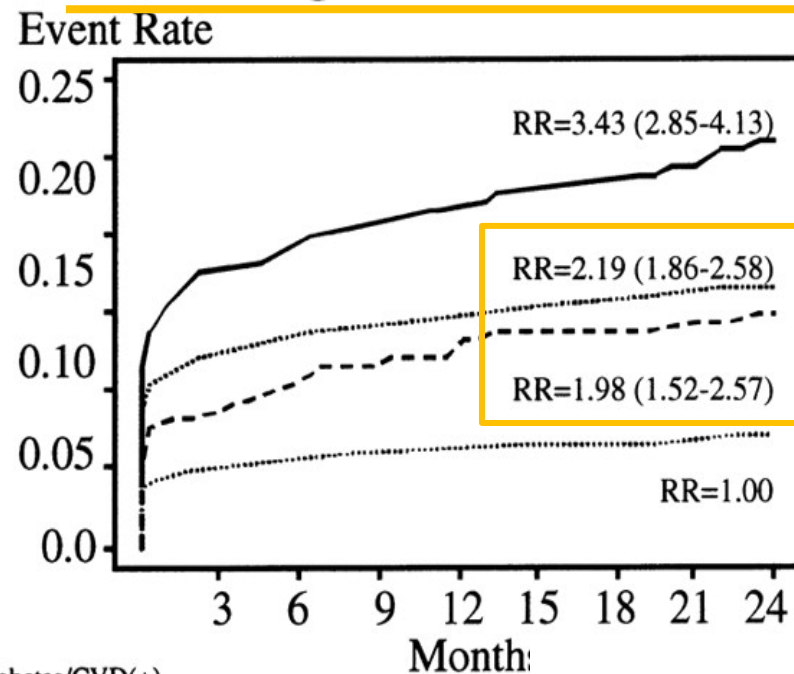
Diabetes & Cardiovascular Disease

Combined Endpoint



— Diabetes/CVD(+)
- - - Diabetes/CVD(-)
..... No Diabetes/CVD(+)
..... No Diabetes/CVD(-)

New Congestive Heart Failure



Landmark DM Trials

Trial	DCCT	EDIC	UKPDS	UKPDS 10-Yr
Participants	1441	1357	5102	1525
Duration	6.5 years		10 years	
Intensive Arm	Pump or MDI		SU or Insulin or Metformin	
Conventional Arm	1 or 2 daily insulin injection		Dietary therapy	
Median A1c (IA & CA)	7.4% and 9.1%		7.9% and 9.1%	
Primary Outcome	41% ↓ in major CV and PVD (NS)	42% ↓ heart disease; 57% ↓ non-fatal MI, stroke, CVD death	16% ↓ in fatal and nonfatal MI and sudden death (NS)	15% ↓ in MI; 13% ↓ in de an

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Landmark T2DM Trials

Trial	ACCORD	ADVANCE	VADT
Participants	10,251	11,140	1,791
Duration	3.4 years	5 years	5.6 years
DM Duration	10 years	7.9 years	11.5 years
Mean A1c	8.3%	7.5%	9.4%
H/o CV Event	35.2%	32.2%	40.2%
Intervention Arm	Atleast 2 hypoglycemic agents + other drugs	Gliclazide + other drugs	Glimepiride or Metformin + Rosiglitazone OR insulin (max doses)
Control Arm	Diet or meds or both	Current therapy	Glimepiride or Metformin + Rosiglitazone
Primary Outcome	6.9% vs. 7.2% (NS)	18% vs. 20% (S*)	29.5% vs 33.8% (NS)



In Summary: Landmark Trials

- The DCCT/EDIC and the UKPDS did not show any significant reduction in cardiovascular risk until their observational follow-up 10 years later, indicating a **"legacy effect"**

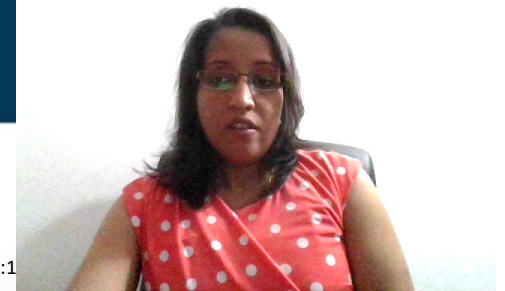
Study	Initial trial			Long-term follow-up				
	HbA _{1c}			Microvascular		CVD	Mortality	
	Baseline	Study End Std	Intensive					
DCCT/EDIC	9	9	7	↓	↓	↔	↓	↔
UKPDS	9	7.9	7	↓	↓	↔	↓	↔
ACCORD	8.3	7.5	6.4	↓		↔		↑
ADVANCE	7.5	7.0	6.4	↓		↔		
VADT	9.4	8.5	6.9	↓		↔	↔	

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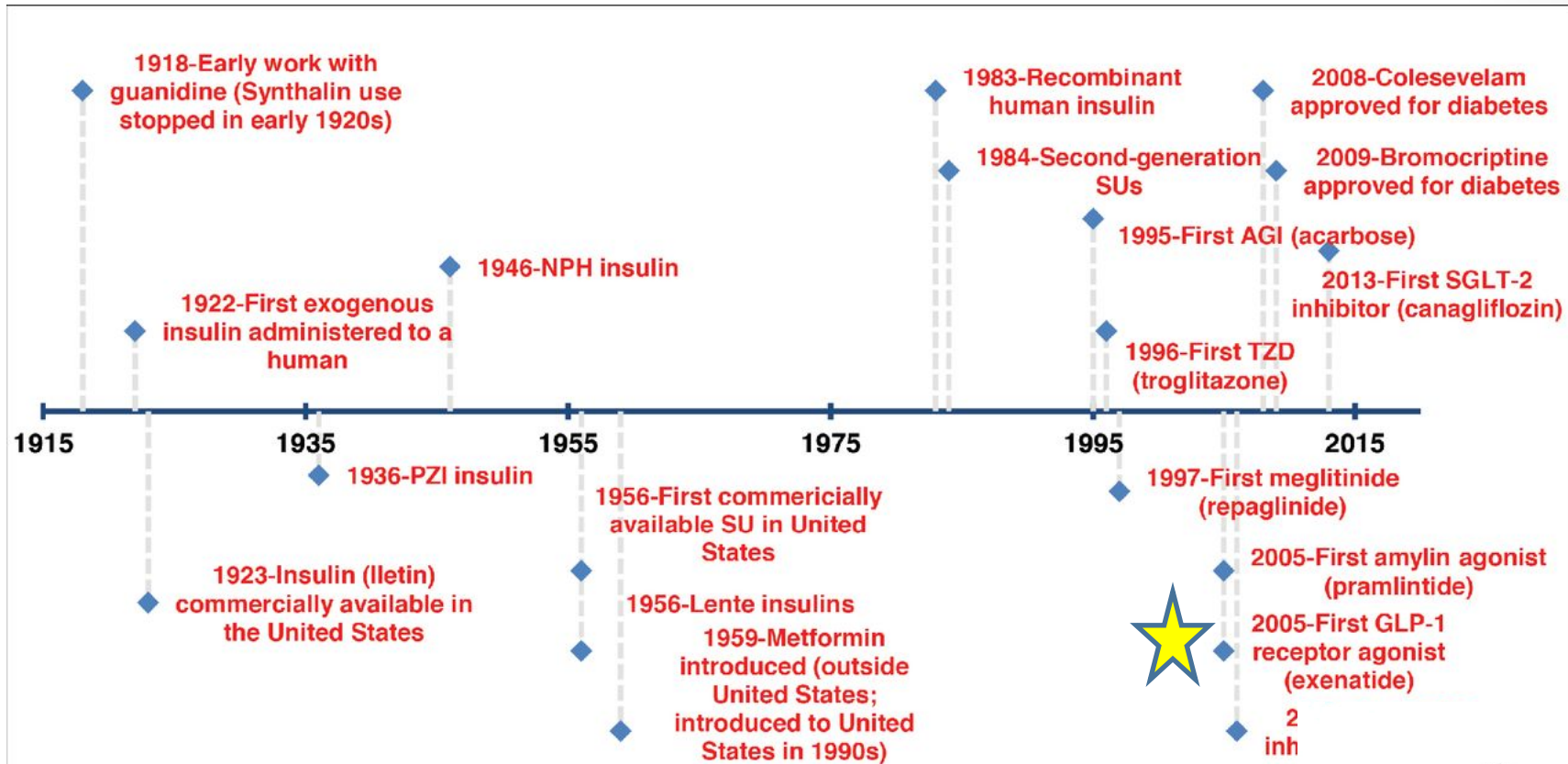
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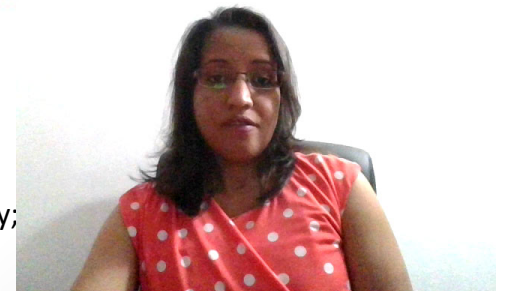
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Drug Discovery Timeline



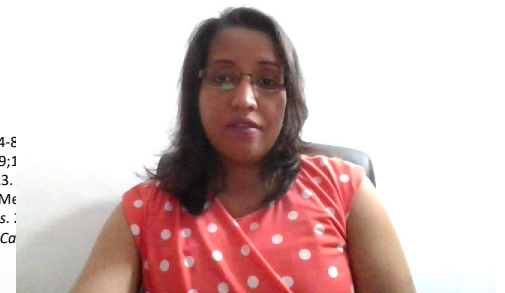
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Existing Favorites – Metformin, Sulfonylureas, and TZDs

- Randomized controlled trials¹⁻³ that evaluated metformin in patients with type 2 diabetes indicated significant improvements in cardiovascular outcomes.
- There exists controversial data regarding cardiovascular disease risk with sulfonylureas⁴⁻⁵.
- A meta-analysis of pioglitazone reported lower risk of recurrent MACE, stroke, or MI in patients with vascular disease. Pioglitazone did not lower the risk for all-cause mortality; however, increased the risk for new heart failure⁶

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Cardiovascular Focus & DM

- In 2007, Rosiglitazone was associated with a significant increase in risk of MI
- In 2008, FDA mandated evaluation of newer DM drugs to show no increase in cardiovascular risk
- All CVOT are industry funded, multicenter, randomized, double-blinded, placebo-controlled trials

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AACE/ACE 2020 Algorithm for Glycemic Management

Lifestyle Modifications and Ongoing Glucose Monitoring (CGM preferred)

Independent of Glycemic Control, If Established or High ASCVD Risk and/or CKD, Recommend SGLT2i and/or LA GLP-1 RA

Progression of Disease

Entry A1C < 7.5%

Monotherapy

3 months^a

Entry A1C ≥ 7.5%-9.0%

Dual Therapy

3 months^a

Entry A1C > 9.0%

No Symptoms

Triple Therapy

3 months^a

Symptoms

Insulin ± Other Agents

Add or Intensify Insulin

Monotherapy^b

Independent of glycemic control, if established ASCVD or high risk, CKD 3 or HFREF, start LA GLP-1 RA or SGLT2i with proven efficacy^c

Dual Therapy^b

Triple Therapy^b

- ✓ Metformin
- ✓ GLP-1RA
- ✓ SGLT-2i
- ✓ DPP-4i
- ⚠ TZD
- ✓ AG-i
- ⚠ SU/GLN

MET
or other
agent

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- ✓ GLP-1RA
- ✓ SGLT-2i
- ✓ DPP-4i
- ⚠ TZD
- ⚠ SU/GLN
- ⚠ Basal Insulin
- ✓ Colesevelam
- ✓ Bromocriptine QR
- ✓ AG-i

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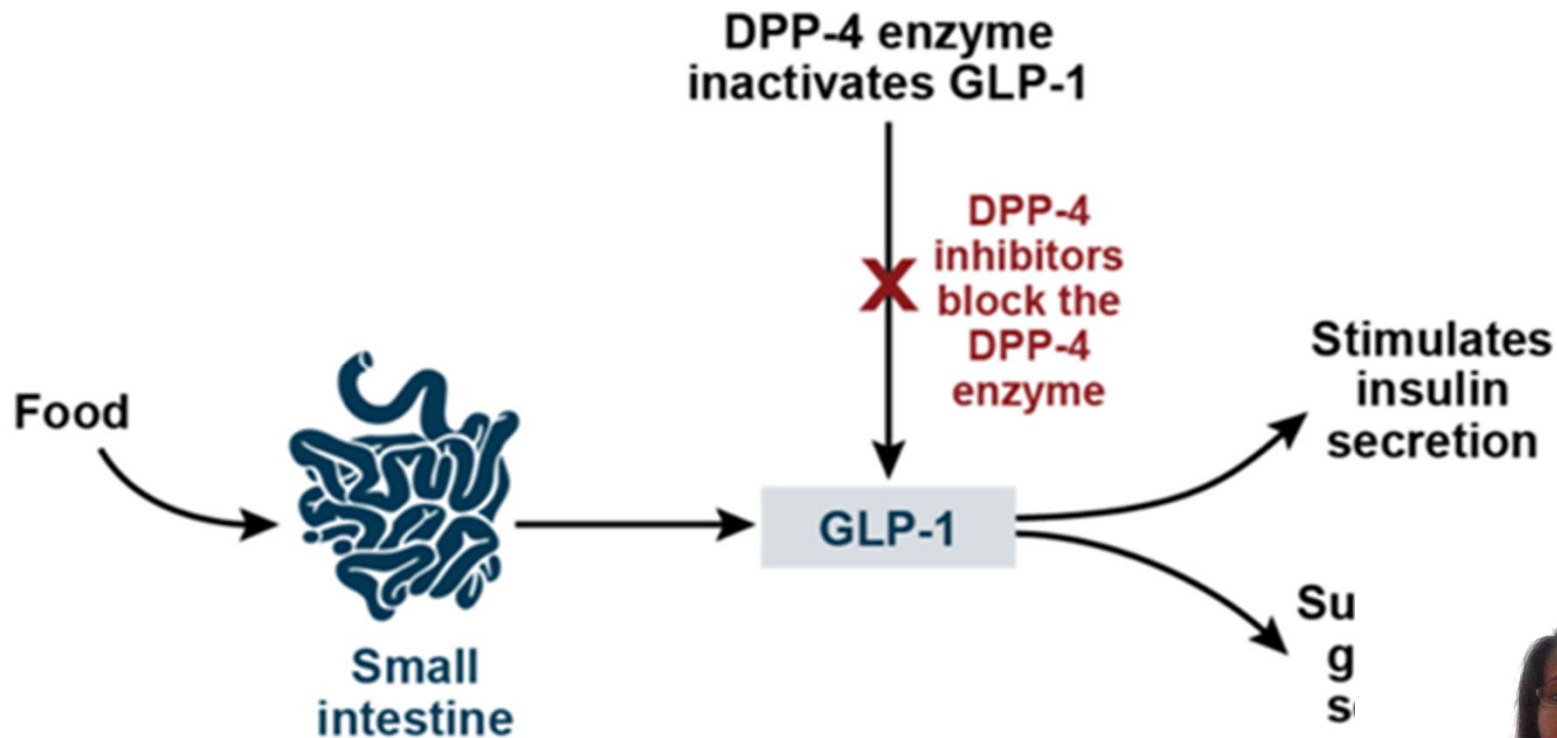
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Newer DM Drug Categories

Glucagon Like Peptide – 1 Agonists

Dipeptidyl Peptidase 4 Inhibitors



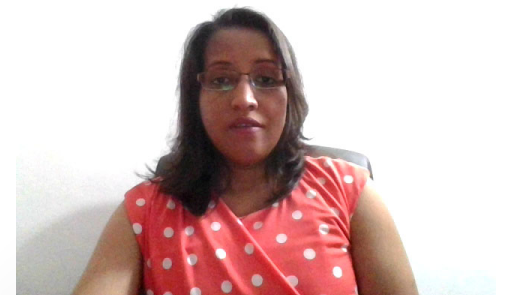
Newer DM Drug Categories

Glucagon Like Peptide – 1 Agonists

- Lixisenatide (®Adlyxin)
- Liraglutide (®Victoza)
- Semaglutide (®Ozempic)
- Exenatide (®Byetta)
- Exenatide LAR (®Bydureon)
- Dulaglutide (®Trulicity)
- Oral Semaglutide (®Rybelsus)

Dipeptidyl Peptidase 4 Inhibitors

- Sitagliptin (®Januvia)
- Saxagliptin (®Onglyza)
- Linagliptin (®Tradjenta)
- Alogliptin (®Nesina)



GLP-1 CVOT – ELIXA

Lixisenatide (®Adlyxin)

T2DM; N = 6068; Avg A1c 7.7%; Duration = 2yrs
Acute coronary event – 180 days prior to screening
Run-in period of placebo injections

Lixisenatide QD

Placebo QD

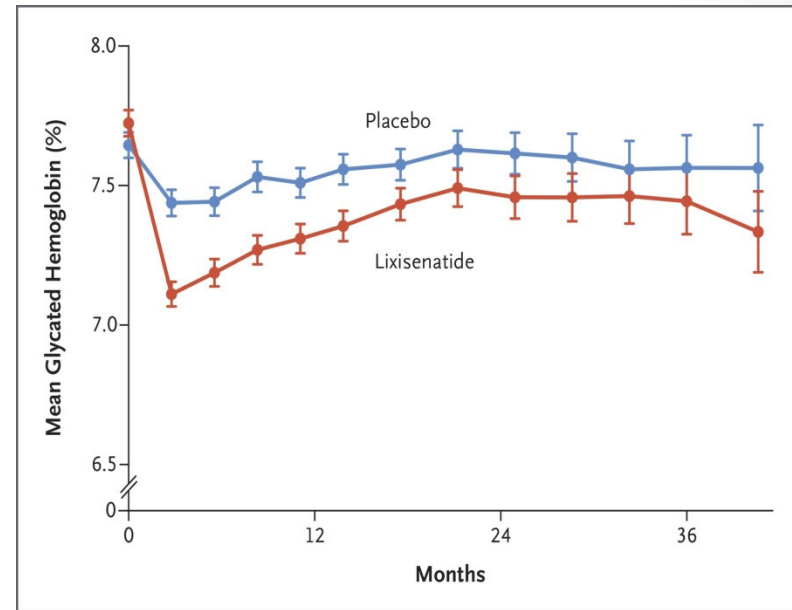
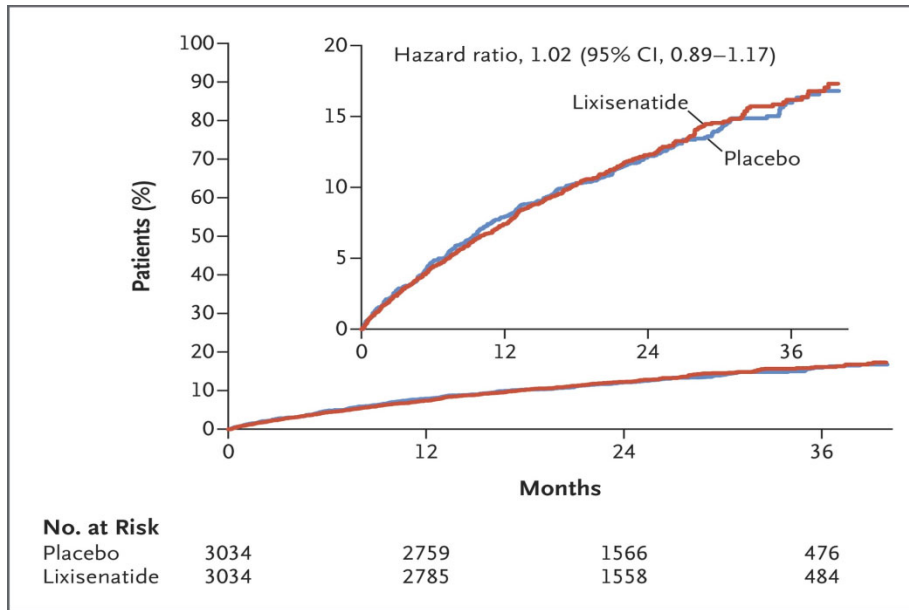
Primary Endpoint

Death from CV cause, nonfatal MI, nonfatal stroke or hospitalization for unstable angina



GLP-1 CVOT – ELIXA

Lixisenatide (®Adlyxin)



- Results showed non-inferiority to placebo as primary endpoints were similar in both groups.
- The reduction in HbA1c values was significantly greater among patients in the lixisenatide group vs. placebo.



GLP-1 CVOT – LEADER

Liraglutide (®Victoza)

T2DM; N = 9340; Avg A1c 8.7%; Duration = 3.5yrs

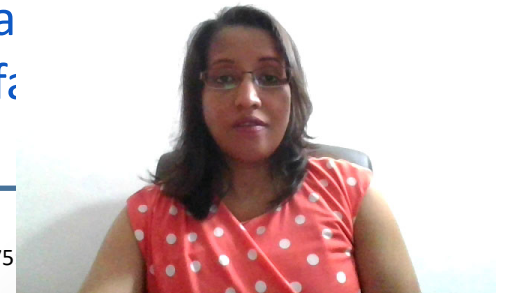
Patients with pre-existing CVD 81.3% and
24.7% with >CKD3

Run-in period of placebo injections

Liraglutide QD

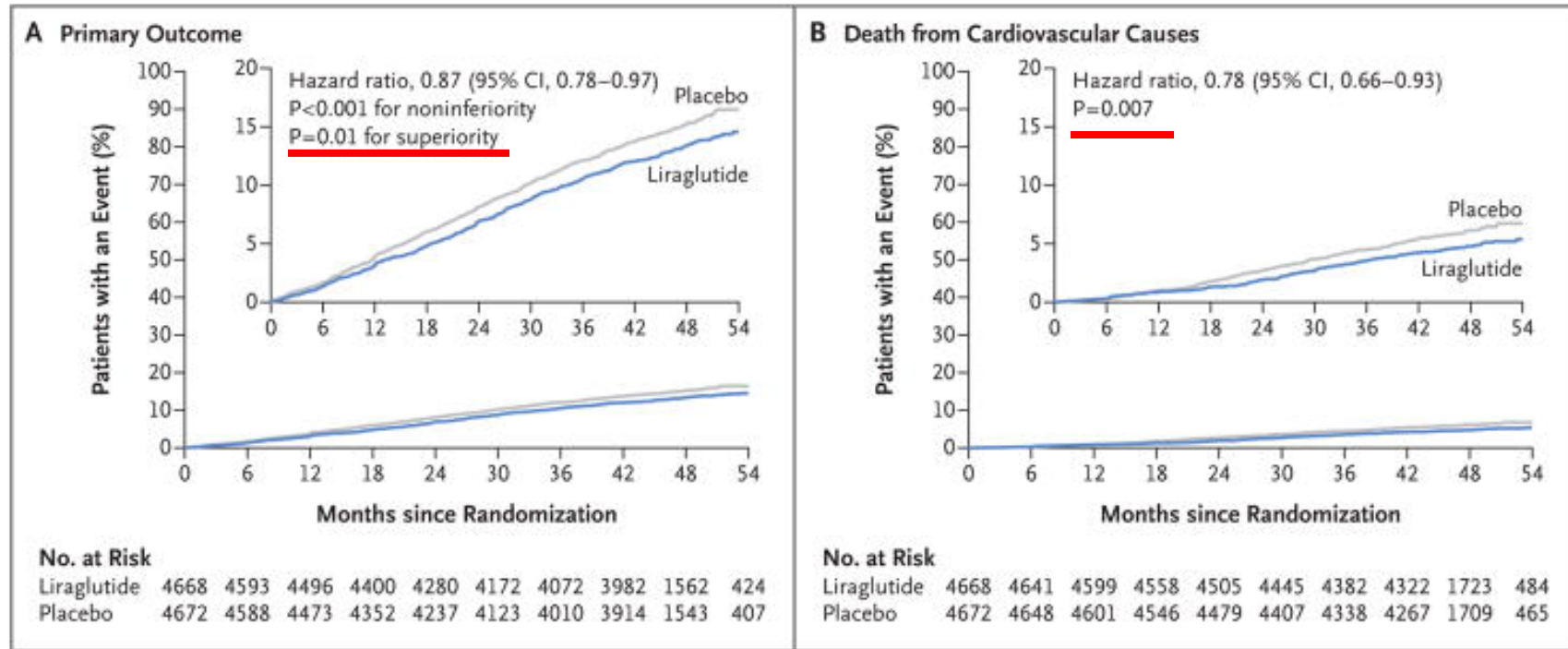
Placebo QD

The primary composite outcome in the time-to-event analysis was the first occurrence of death from cardiovascular cause, nonfatal (including silent) myocardial infarction, or nonfatal stroke.



GLP-1 CVOT – LEADER

Liraglutide (@Victoza)



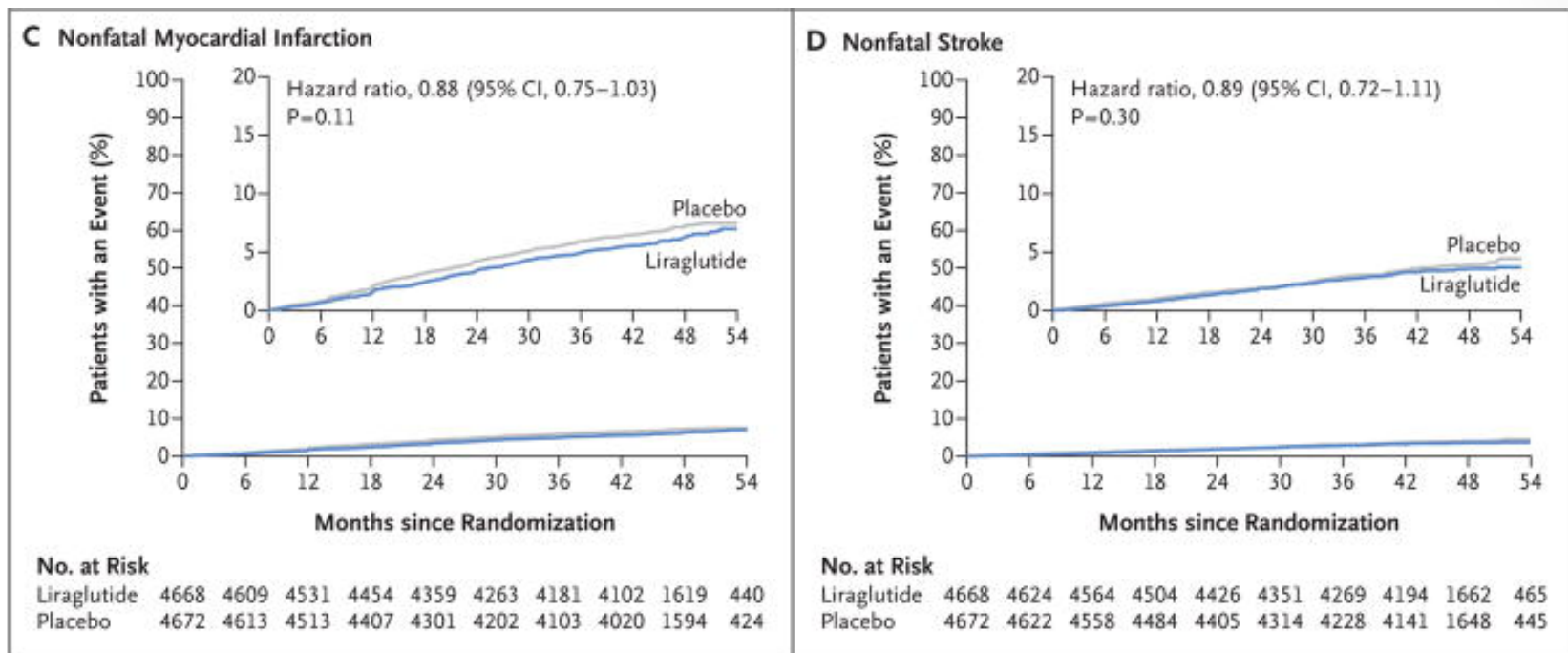
A – Primary composite outcome occurred in fewer patients in Liraglutide group (13%) vs. placebo group (14.9%)

B – Death from CV causes occurred in fewer patients in Liraglutide group (4.7%) vs. placebo group (6.9%)



GLP-1 CVOT – LEADER

Liraglutide (®Victoza)

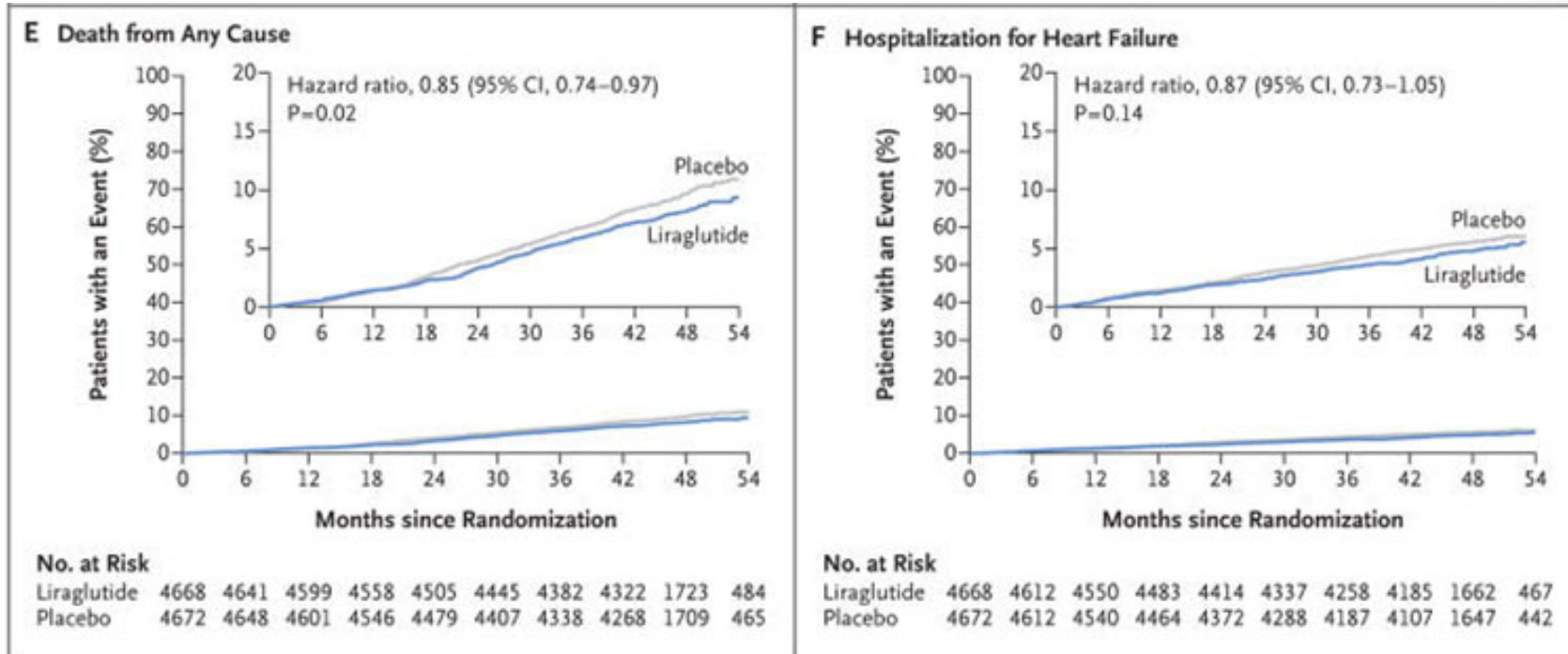


The frequencies of nonfatal myocardial infarction and nonfatal stroke were lower in the liraglutide group than in the placebo group, the differences were not significant



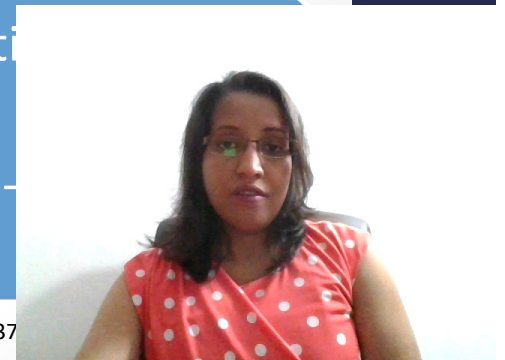
GLP-1 CVOT – LEADER

Liraglutide (@Victoza)



E – The rate of death from any cause was lower in the liraglutide group (8.2%) vs. placebo group (9.6%)

F – 18% of patients participating in this trial had NYHA Class I-II heart failure; the rate of hospitalizations was not significant



GLP-1 CVOT – LEADER

Liraglutide (®Victoza)

- There were also significant mean differences between the liraglutide group and the placebo group in the change from baseline to 36 months in the following variables:
 - Weight loss was 2.3 kg (95% CI, 2.5 to 2.0) higher in the liraglutide group
 - The systolic blood pressure was 1.2 mm Hg (95% CI, 1.9 to 0.5) lower in the liraglutide group



GLP-1 CVOT – SUSTAIN-6

Semaglutide (®Ozempic)

T2DM; N = 3297; Avg A1c 8.7%; Duration = 2.1yrs

83% patients had CVD and CKD3 or higher

59% patients had CVD without CKD

Run-in period of placebo injections

Semaglutide 0.5 mg or
1.0 mg once/week

Matched Placebo 0.5 mg
or 1.0 mg once/week

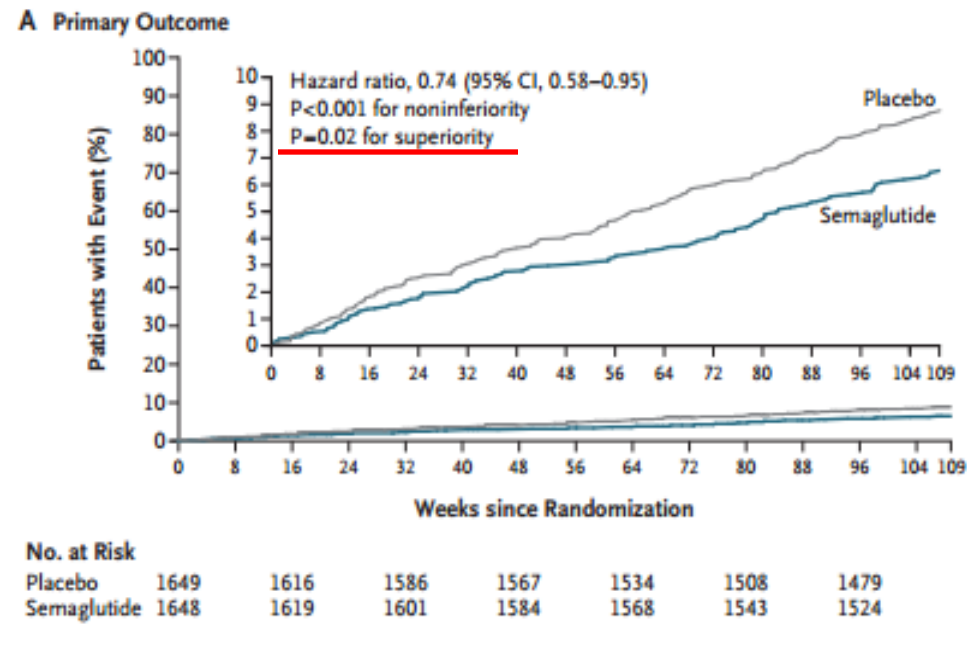
The primary composite outcome was the first occurrence of death from cardiovascular causes, nonfatal myocardial infarction (including silent), or nonfatal stroke.



GLP-1 CVOT – SUSTAIN-6

Semaglutide (®Ozempic)

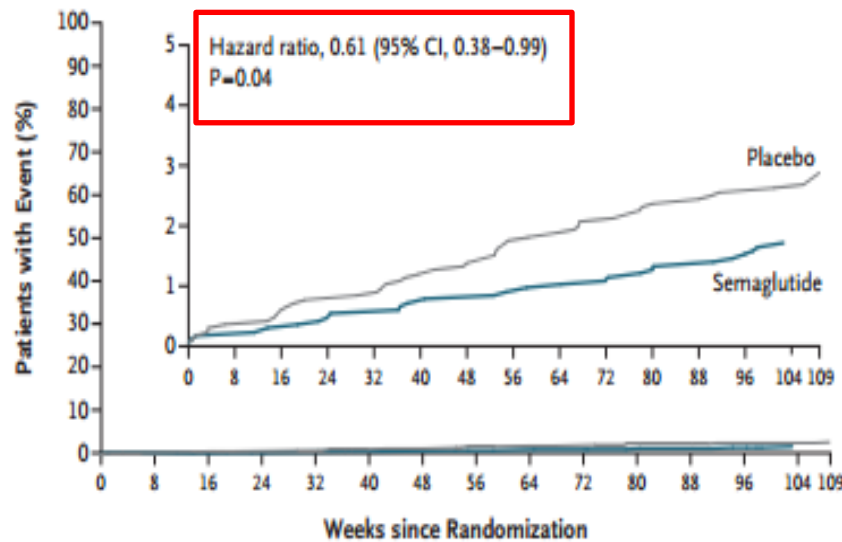
The primary composite cardiovascular outcome occurred in 6.6% of patients in the semaglutide group vs. 8.9% in the placebo group, which was statistically significant.



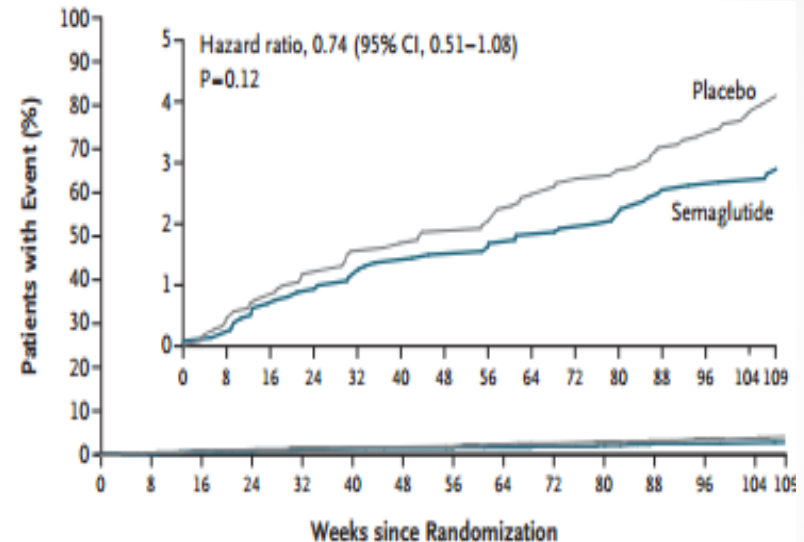
GLP-1 CVOT – SUSTAIN-6

Semaglutide (®Ozempic)

Nonfatal stroke



Nonfatal MI



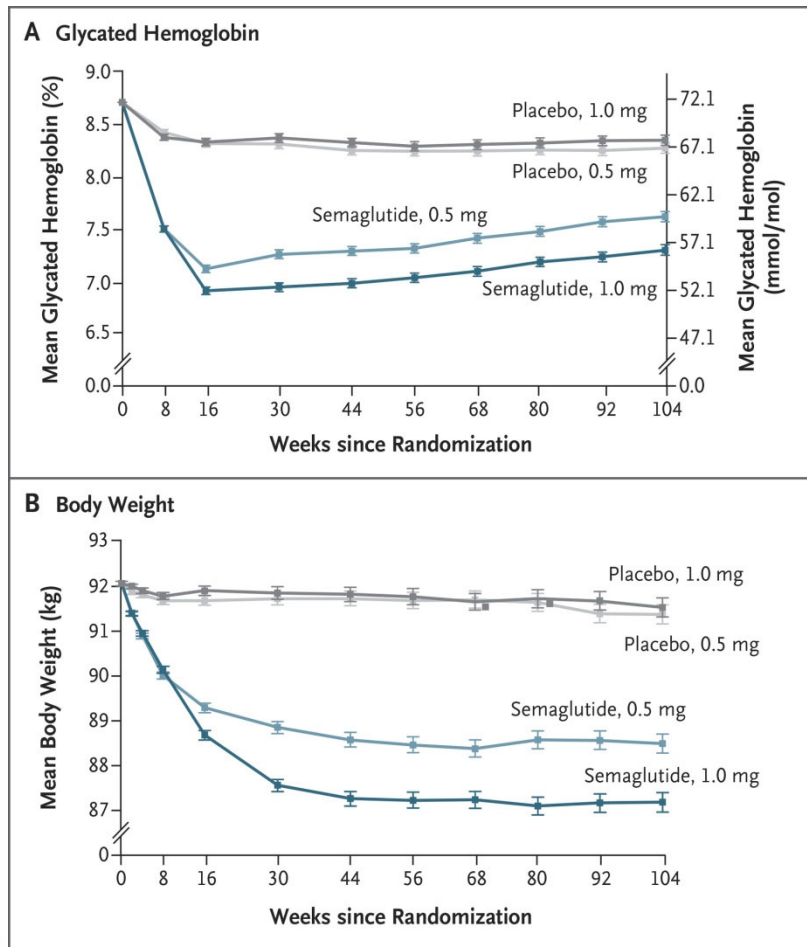
There were significantly fewer non-fatal strokes in the semaglutide group (1.6%) vs. placebo group (2.7%)

MACE reduction was primarily due to reduction in non-fatal MI and non-fatal stroke



GLP-1 CVOT – SUSTAIN-6

Semaglutide (®Ozempic)



The mean HbA1c level in the semaglutide group vs. placebo group, was 0.7 percentage points lower (for 0.5 mg dose) and 1.0 percentage point lower (for 1.0 mg dose), significant

The mean body weight in the semaglutide group vs. placebo was 2.9 kg lower in the group receiving 0.5 mg and lower in the group receiving 1.0 mg ($P < 0.001$).



GLP-1 CVOT – SUSTAIN-6

Semaglutide (®Ozempic)

- The mean systolic blood pressure in the semaglutide group vs. placebo was 1.3 mm Hg lower in the group receiving 0.5 mg ($P=0.10$) and 2.6 mm Hg lower in the group receiving 1.0 mg ($P<0.001$)
- New or worsening nephropathy occurred in 3.8% patients in Semaglutide group vs. 6.1% in placebo group ($P=0.005$)
- In contrast, diabetic retinopathy occurred in 3% patients in Semaglutide group vs. 1.8% in placebo group ($P=0.02$)



GLP-1 CVOT – EXSCEL

Exenatide LAR (®Bydureon)

T2DM; N = 14,752; Avg A1c 8.0%; Duration = 3.2yrs

73% patients had CVD

NO run-in period of placebo injections

Exenatide 2 mg once/wk

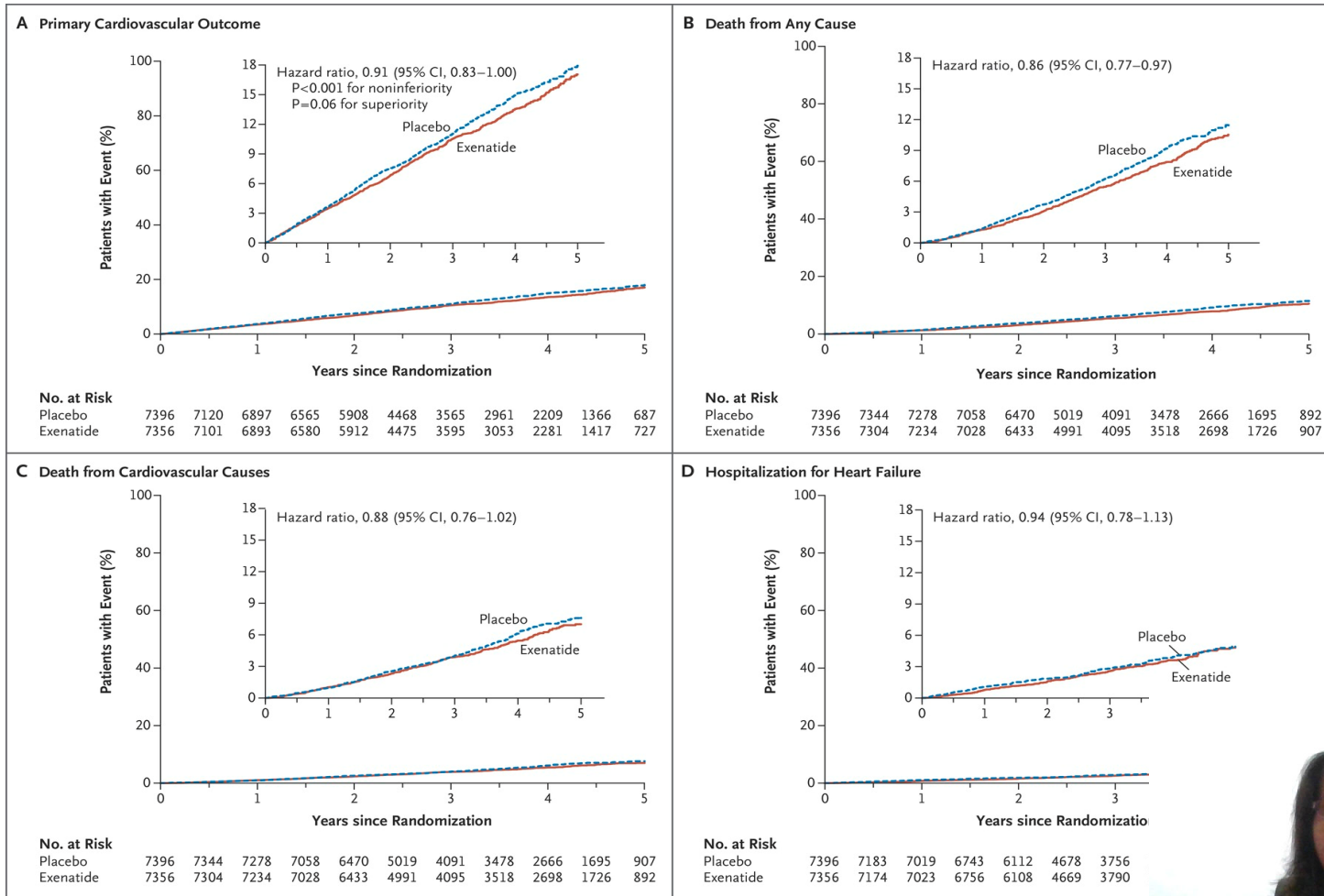
Placebo 2 mg once/wk

The primary outcome was defined as the first occurrence of any component of the composite outcome of death from cardiovascular causes, nonfatal myocardial infarction, or nonfatal stroke (1 component MACE outcome), in a time-to-event analysis.



GLP-1 CVOT – EXSCEL

Exenatide LAR (®Bydureon)

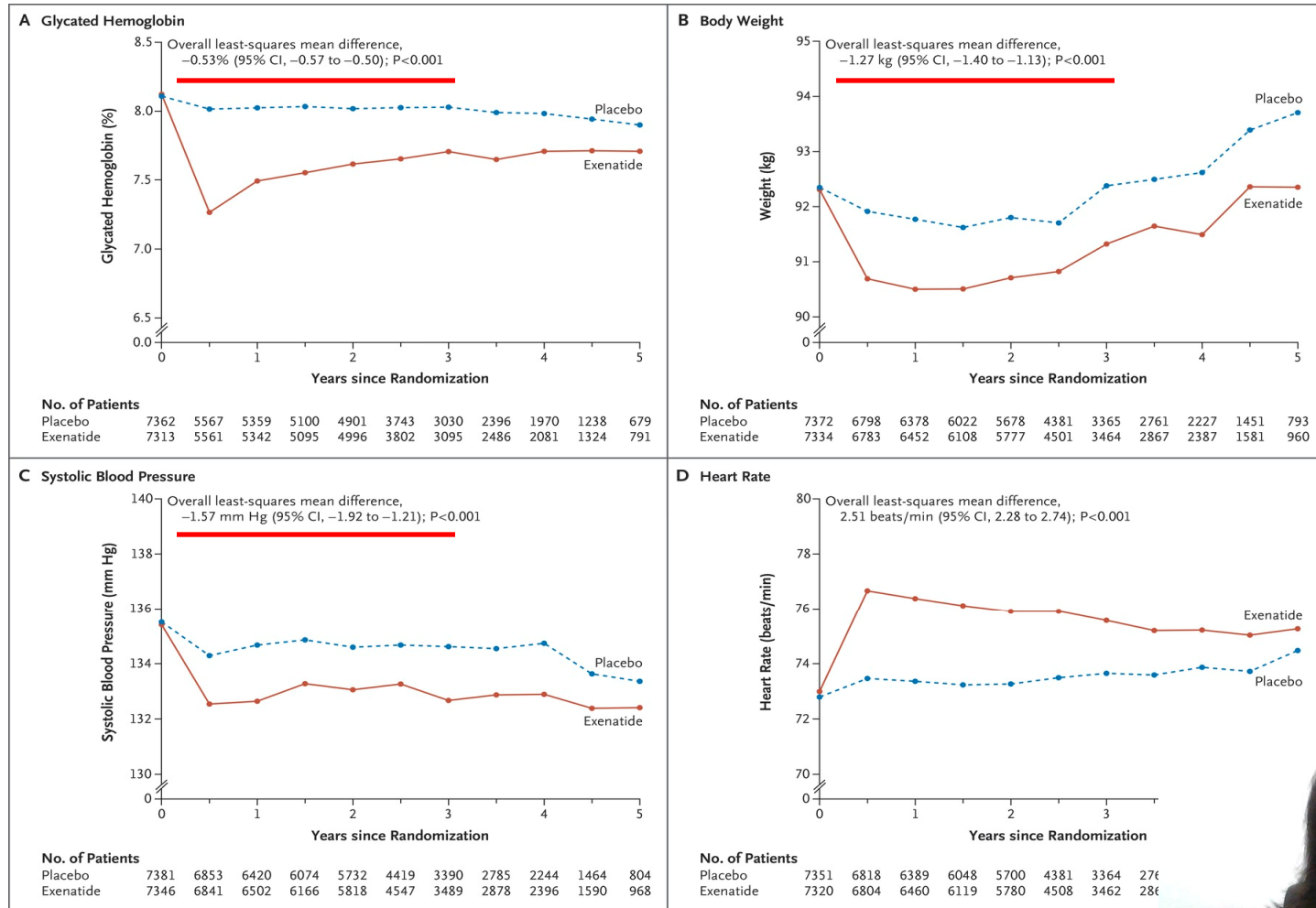


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GLP-1 CVOT – EXSCEL

Exenatide LAR (®Bydureon)



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GLP-1 CVOT – REWIND

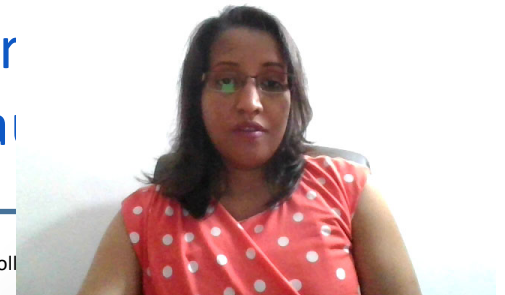
Dulaglutide (®Trulicity)

T2DM; N = 9901; Avg A1c 7.2%; Duration = 5.4yrs
31.5% patients had CVD
3-week run-in period of placebo injections

**Dulaglutide 1.5 mg
once/week**

**Placebo 1.5 mg
once/week**

The primary outcome was the first occurrence of composite endpoint of non-fatal myocardial infarction, non-fatal stroke, or death from cardiovascular causes



GLP-1 CVOT – REWIND

Dulaglutide (®Trulicity)

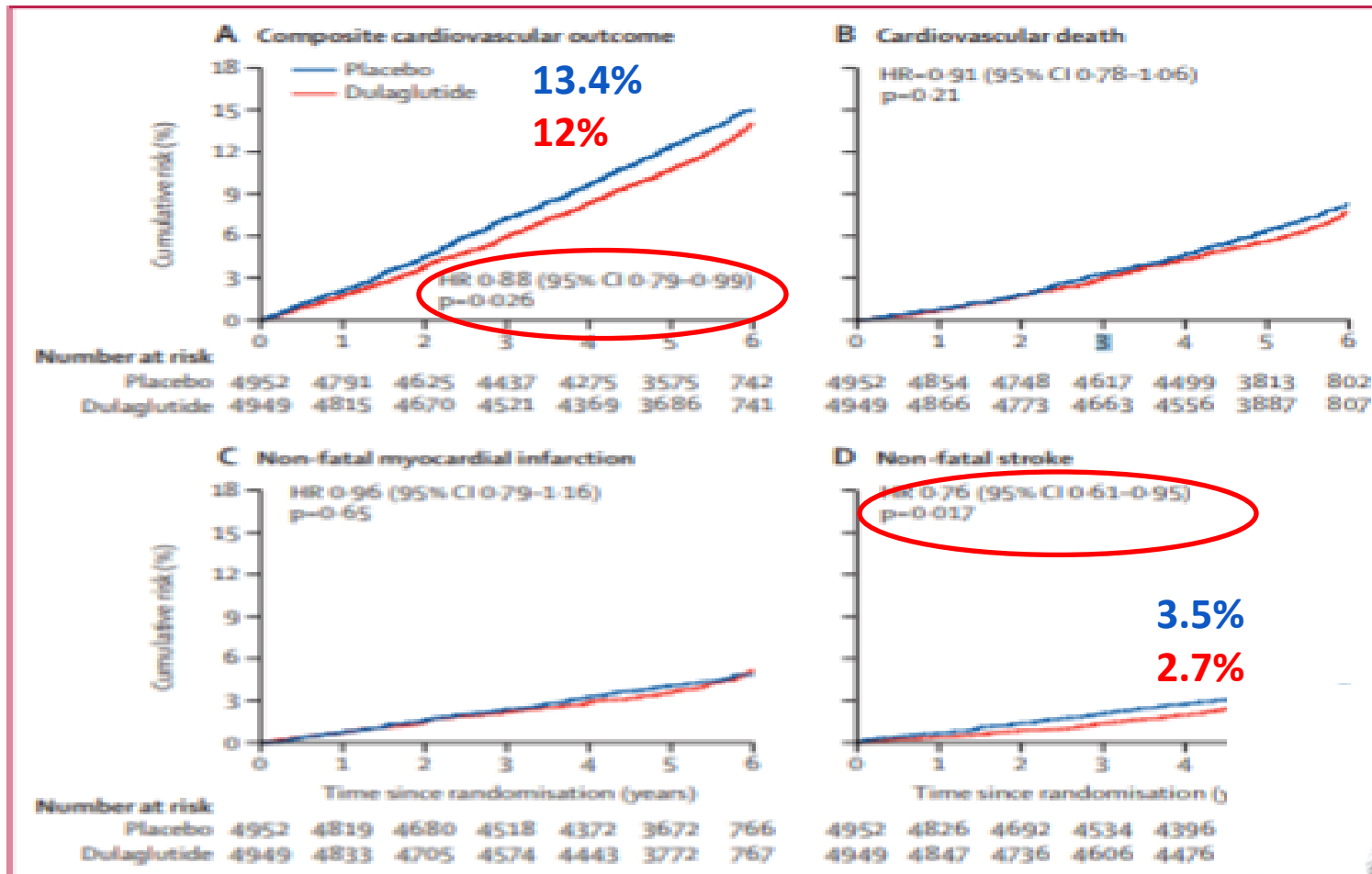


Figure 2: Cumulative incidence of cardiovascular outcomes
HR=hazard ratio. HbA_{1c}=glycated haemoglobin A_{1c}.



GLP-1 CVOT – PIONEER 6

Semaglutide (®Rybelsus)

T2DM; N = 3183; Avg A1c 8.2%; Duration = 1.3yrs
84.7% patients had CVD

Semaglutide 14 mg PO QD

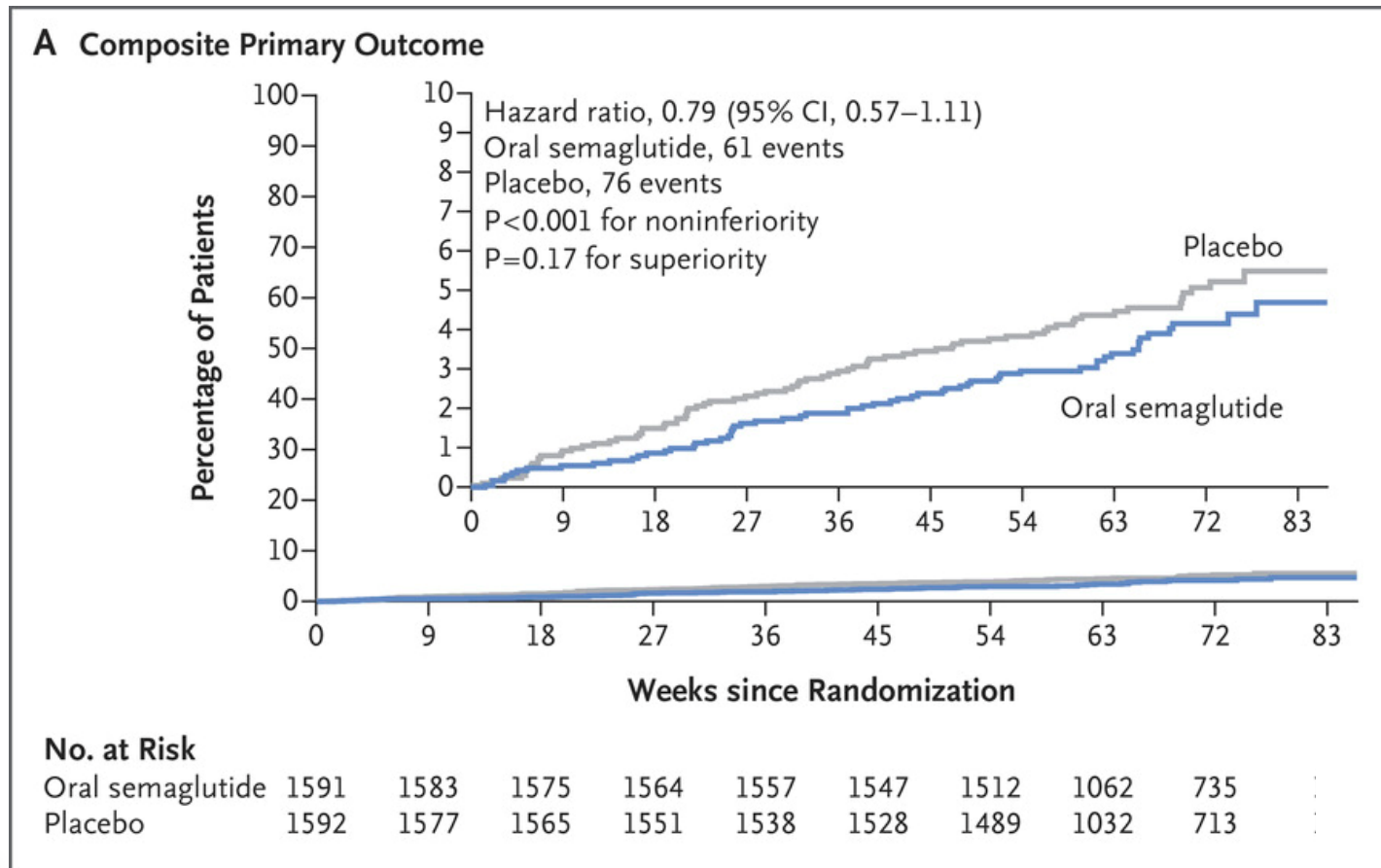
Placebo 14 mg PO QD

Primary Outcome: The time from randomization to the first occurrence of a major adverse cardiovascular event, a cardiovascular death from cardiovascular causes (including undetermined cause of death), nonfatal myocardial infarction, or nonfatal stroke



GLP-1 CVOT – PIONEER 6

Semaglutide (®Rybelsus)



Husain M, Birkenfeld AL, Donsmark M, et al. . Oral Semaglutide and cardiovascular outcomes in patients diabetes. N Engl J Med 2019;381:841–51



GLP-1 Agonist – Class Effects

- GLP-1 agents in general are known to significantly reduce
 - HbA1c values
 - Weight (in kg)
 - Systolic blood pressure
- Composite cardiovascular outcomes* (LEADER, SUSTAIN-6, and REWIND trials)



GLP-1 CVOT Comparison

GLP-1 RA: Study name	N	Median F/u (yrs)	% with CV disease*	% of statin use	Baseline HbA1c	Baseline BMI	Primary composite CV outcome HR (95% CI)	P value
Lixisenatide: ELIXA	6068	2.1	100%	93%	7.70%	30.1	1.02 (0.89 to 1.17)	0.81
Liraglutide: LEADER	9340	3.8	81%	72%	8.70%	32.5	0.87 (0.78 to 0.97)	0.01
Semaglutide: SUSTAIN-6	3297	2.1	60%	73%	8.70%	32.8	0.74 (0.58 to 0.95)	0.02
Exenatide QW: EXSCEL	14752	3.2	73.10%	74%	8.00%	31.8	0.91 (0.83 to 1.00)	0.06
Dulaglutide: REWIND	9901	5.4	31.50%	66%	7.20%	32.3	0.88 (0.79 to 0.99)	0.026
Semaglutide Oral: PIONEER 6	3183	1.3	84.70%	85%	8.20%	32.3	0.79 (0.5	



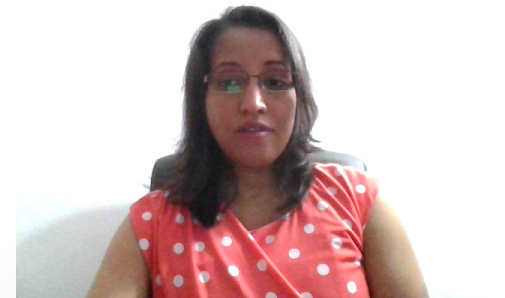
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- Exenatide (®Byetta)
- Exenatide LAR (®Bydureon)
- Dulaglutide (®Trulicity)
- Oral Semaglutide (®Rybelsus)

Dipeptidyl Peptidase 4 Inhibitors

- Sitagliptin (®Januvia)
- Saxagliptin (®Onglyza)
- Linagliptin (®Tradjenta)
- Alogliptin (®Nesina)



DPP4-I CVOT

- EXAMINE Trial – Alogliptin (®Nesina)

Table 3. Major Safety End Points.

End Point	Placebo (N = 2679)	Alogliptin (N = 2701)	Hazard Ratio for Alogliptin Group (95% CI)	P Value*
	<i>no. (%)</i>			
Primary end point†	316 (11.8)	305 (11.3)	0.96 (≤1.16)‡	0.32
Components of primary end point				
Death from cardiovascular causes	111 (4.1)	89 (3.3)	0.79 (0.60–1.04)	0.10
Nonfatal myocardial infarction	173 (6.5)	187 (6.9)	1.08 (0.88–1.33)	0.47
Nonfatal stroke	32 (1.2)	29 (1.1)	0.91 (0.55–1.50)	0.71
Principal secondary end point§	359 (13.4)	344 (12.7)	0.95 (≤1.14)‡	0.26
Other end points				
Death from any cause	173 (6.5)	153 (5.7)	0.88 (0.71–1.09)	
Death from cardiovascular causes¶	130 (4.9)	112 (4.1)	0.85 (0.66–1.10)	

White WB, Cannon CP, Heller SR, Nissen SE, Bergenstal RM, Bakris GL, Perez AT, Fleck PR, Mehta CR, Kupfer S, et al. Alogliptin after myocardial infarction in patients with type 2 diabetes. N Engl J Med. 2013;369:1327–1335.



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- SAVOR-TIMI 53 - Saxagliptin(® Onglyza)

Table 2. Prespecified Clinical End Points.*

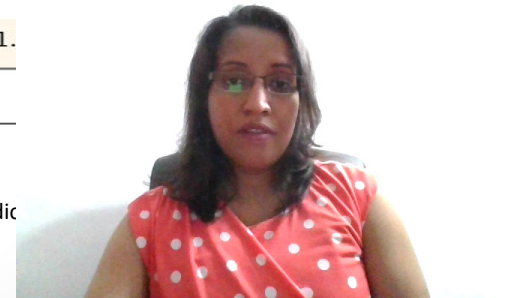
End Point	Saxagliptin (N = 8280) <i>no. (%)</i>	Placebo (N = 8212) <i>no. (%)</i>	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	P Value
Cardiovascular death, myocardial infarction, or stroke: primary efficacy end point	613 (7.3)	609 (7.2)	1.00 (0.89–1.12)	0.99
Cardiovascular death, myocardial infarction, stroke, hospitalization for unstable angina, heart failure, or coronary revascularization: secondary efficacy end point	1059 (12.8)	1034 (12.4)	1.02 (0.94–1.11)	0.66

Hospitalization for heart failure 289 (3.5) 228 (2.8) 1.27 (1.07 -1.51) P=0.007

Hospitalization for heart failure	289 (3.5)	228 (2.8)	1.27 (1.07–1.51)	0.007
Hospitalization for coronary revascularization	423 (5.2)	459 (5.6)	0.91 (0.80–1.04)	0.18
Doubling of creatinine level, initiation of dialysis, renal transplantation, or creatinine >6.0 mg/dl (530 µmol/liter)	194 (2.2)	178 (2.0)	1.08 (0.88–1.31)	0.35
Hospitalization for hypoglycemia	53 (0.6)	43 (0.5)	1.22 (0.82–1.83)	0.33

* Event rates and percentages are 2-year Kaplan–Meier estimates.

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DPP4-I CVOT

- TECOS – Sitagliptin (®Januvia)
- CARMELINA – Linagliptin (®Tradjenta)

TECOS	CARMELINA
N=14671	N=6979
A1c 6.5% - 8%	A1c 6.5% - 10%
Duration = 3 years	Duration = 2.2 years
4-point MACE	3-point MAC

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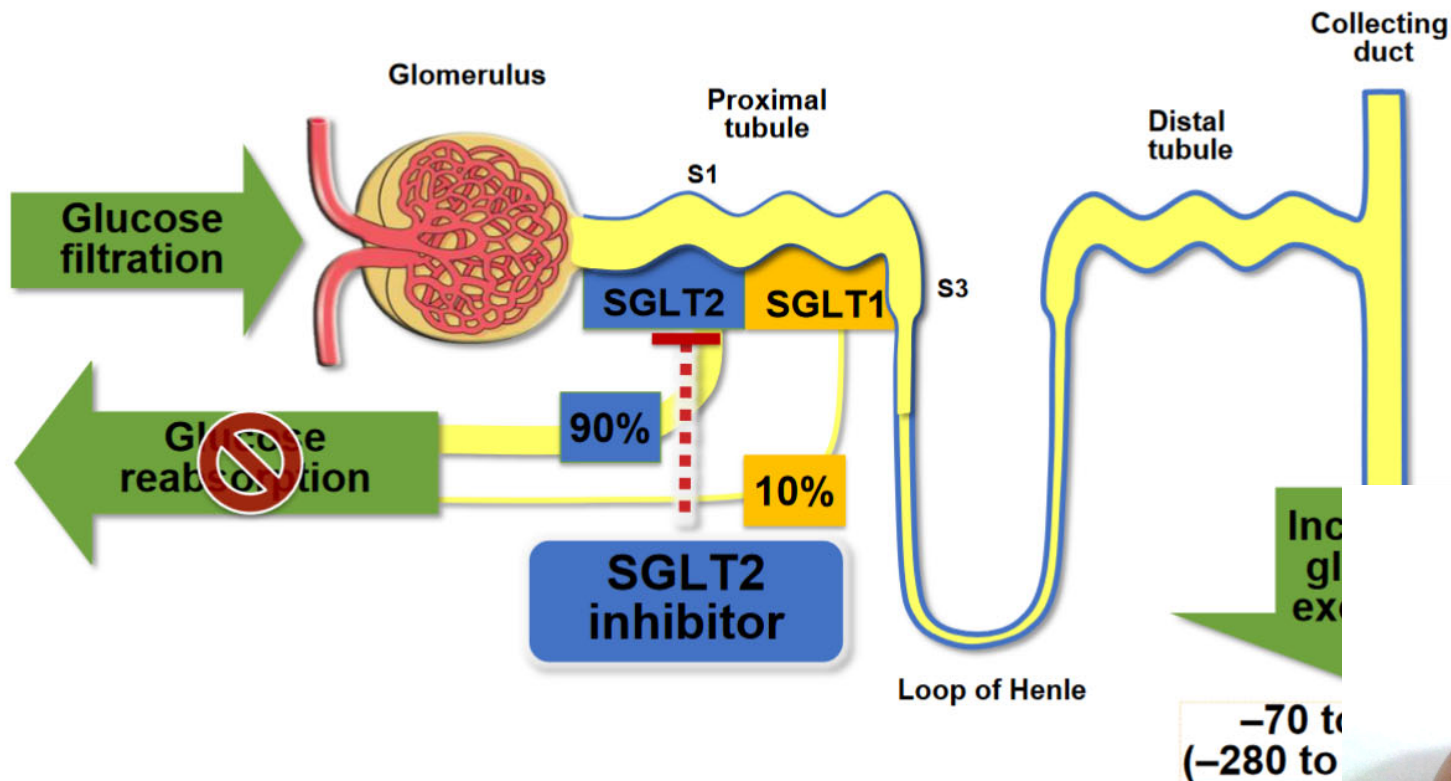
Clinical trial	Intervention	Primary outcome	CV risk	HR, OR or RR (95% CI)
<i>DPP-4 inhibitors</i>				
EXAMINE [8] <i>N</i> = 5380	Alogliptin versus placebo	3-point MACE	↔	HR 0.96 (≤ 1.16) ^a
SAVOR-TIMI 53 [7] <i>N</i> = 16,492	Saxagliptin versus placebo	3-point MACE	↔	HR 1.00 (0.89–1.12)
TECOS [5] <i>N</i> = 14,671	Sitagliptin versus placebo	4-point MACE	↔	HR 0.98 (0.88–1.09)
CARMELINA [6] <i>N</i> = 6979	Linagliptin versus placebo	3-point MACE	↔	

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SGLT2 - Inhibitors

The kidneys play a major role in the regulation of glucose, reabsorbing 99% of the plasma glucose that filters through the renal glomerular tubules



SGLT2 - Inhibitors

	Canagliflozin (®Invokana)	Dapagliflozin (®Farxiga)	Empagliflozin (®Jardiance)	Ertugliflozin (®Steglatro)
Doses	100 mg, 300 mg	5 mg, 10 mg	10 mg, 25 mg	5 mg, 15 mg
eGFR>60	No change	No change	No change	No change
eGFR 45-60	100 mg only	Don't start	No change	Consider stopping
eGFR 30-45	Don't start	Don't start	Stop	Consider stopping
eGFR <30	Contraindicated	Contraindicated	Contraindicated	Contraindicated
FDA Approved	March 2013	January 2014	August 2014	D



SGLT2-I CVOT – CANVAS & CANVAS-R

Canagliflozin (@Invokana)

T2DM

N = 10, 142

A1c 7% - 10.5%

GFR >30 ml/min

Age 30 + symptomatic CAD

Age 50 + 2CAD/Renal risks

Duration 3.6 years

CANVAS

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Canagliflozin 100 mg:

Canagliflozin 300 mg:

Matching Placebo

CANVAS - R

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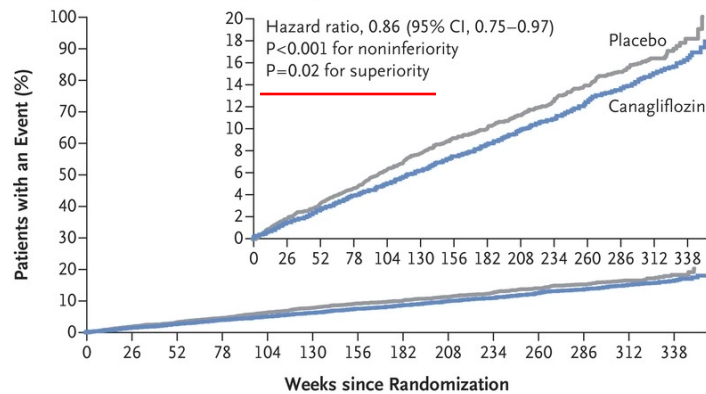
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SGLT2-I CVOT – CANVAS & CANVAS-R

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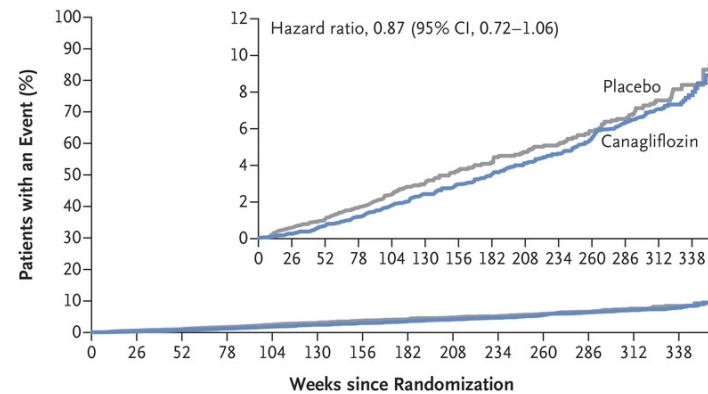
A Death from Cardiovascular Causes, Nonfatal Myocardial Infarction, or Nonfatal Stroke



No. at Risk

Placebo	4347	4239	4153	4061	2942	1626	1240	1217	1187	1156	1120	1095	789	216
Canagliflozin	5795	5672	5566	5447	4343	2984	2555	2513	2460	2419	2363	2311	1661	448

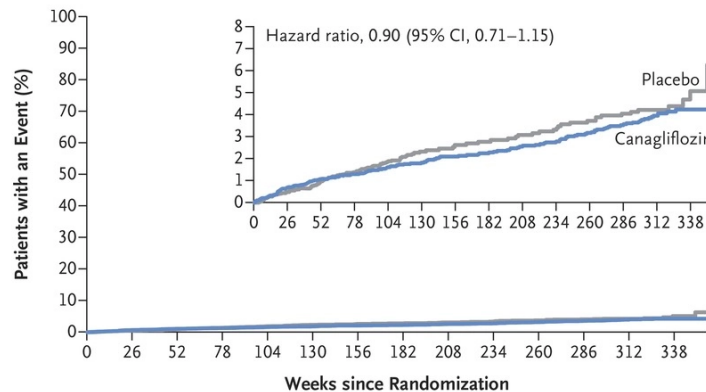
B Death from Cardiovascular Causes



No. at Risk

Placebo	4347	4316	4279	4236	3119	1759	1356	1344	1328	1310	1292	1280	924	258
Canagliflozin	5795	5768	5723	5679	4576	3182	2761	2736	2710	2687	2651	2615	1904	532

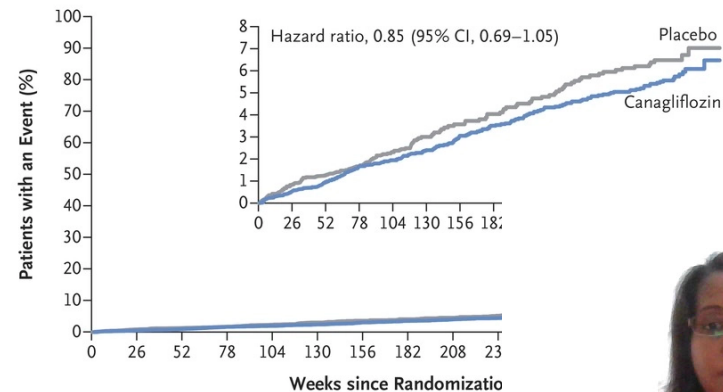
C Nonfatal Stroke



No. at Risk

Placebo	4347	4270	4197	4123	3004	1667	1274	1255	1232	1208	1177	1155	829	232
Canagliflozin	5795	5702	5615	5530	4414	3043	2621	2588	2543	2511	2464	2415	1751	481

D Nonfatal Myocardial Infarction



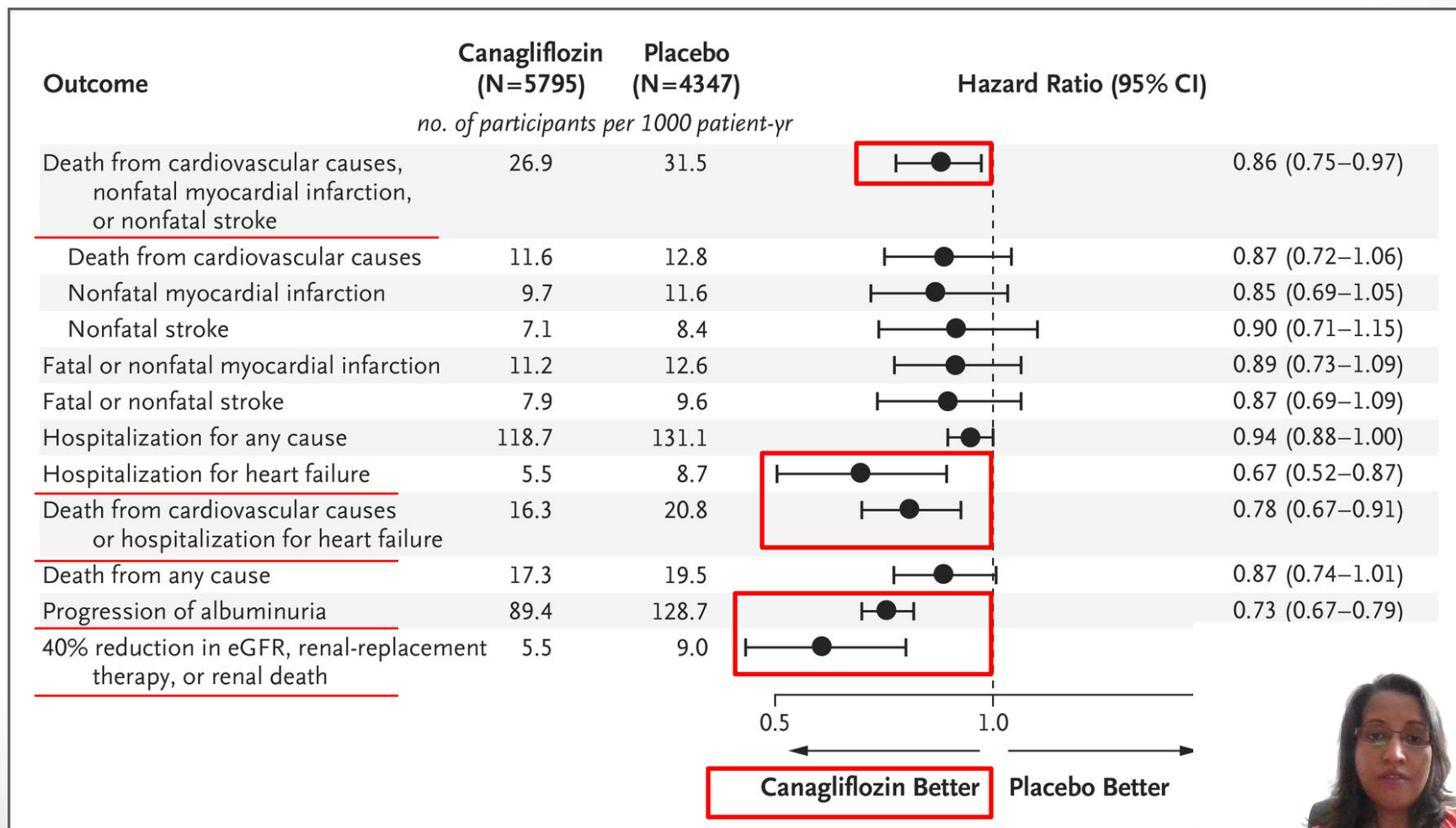
No. at Risk

Placebo	4347	4256	4187	4109	2986	1647	1255	1233	1207	1111
Canagliflozin	5795	5711	5625	5513	4405	3029	2602	2565	2516	2411



SGLT2-I CVOT – CANVAS & CANVAS-R

Canagliflozin (@Invokana)



SGLT2-I CVOT – CANVAS & CANVAS-R

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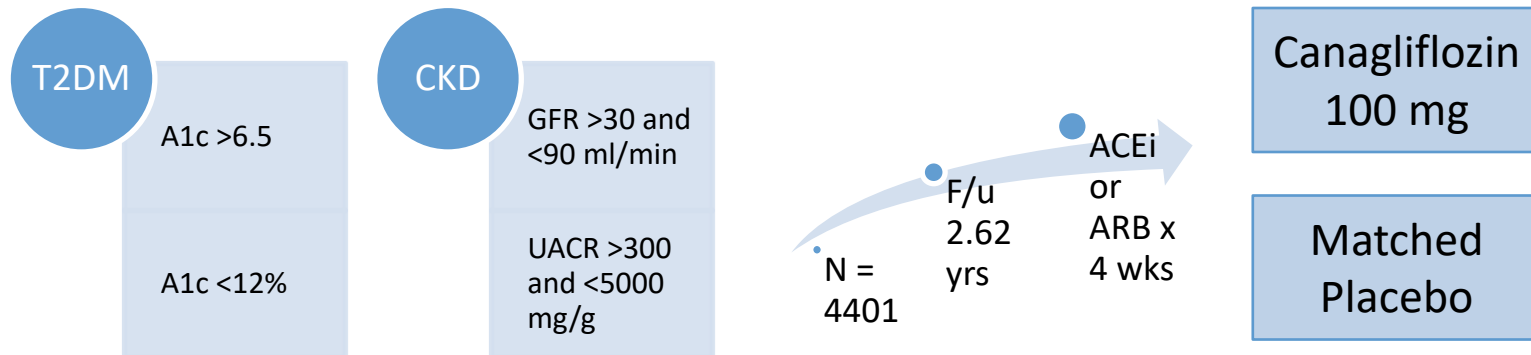
Adverse Effects	Canagliflozin	Placebo	P value
Diabetic ketoacidosis (adjudicated)	0.6	0.3	0.14
Amputation	6.3	3.4	<0.001
Fracture (adjudicated)‡			
All	15.4	11.9	0.02
Low-trauma	11.6	9.2	0.06
Venous thromboembolic events	1.7	1.7	0.63
Infection of male genitalia§	34.9	10.8	<0.001
Serious and nonserious adverse events of interest collected in CANVAS alone¶			
Osmotic diuresis	34.5	13.3	<0.001
Volume depletion	26.0	18.5	0.009
Hypoglycemia	50.0	46.4	0.20
Acute kidney injury	3.0	4.1	0.33
Hyperkalemia	6.9	4.4	
Urinary tract infection	40.0	37.0	
Mycotic genital infection in women	68.8	17.5	
Severe hypersensitivity or cutaneous reaction	8.5	6.1	
Hepatic injury	7.4	9.1	
Renal-related (including acute kidney injury)	19.7	17.4	



SGLT2-I CVOT – CREDENCE

Canagliflozin (@Invokana)

- The study was designed to formally test whether canagliflozin - reduced the risk of kidney failure and cardiovascular events in patients with T2DM and markers of established kidney disease compared to placebo when used in addition to standard of care.



The primary outcome was a composite of

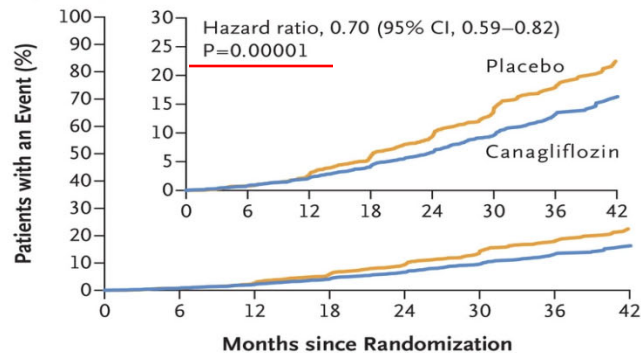
- end-stage kidney disease (dialysis for at least 30 days, kidney transplantation)
- estimated GFR of <15 ml per minute per 1.73 m² sustained for at least 30
- doubling of the serum creatinine level from baseline sustained for at least
- death from renal or cardiovascular disease.



SGLT2-I CVOT – CREDENCE

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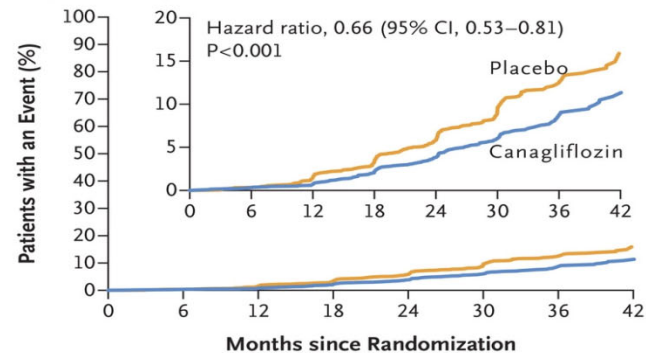
A Primary Composite Outcome



No. at Risk

Placebo	2199	2178	2132	2047	1725	1129	621	170
Canagliflozin	2202	2181	2145	2081	1786	1211	646	196

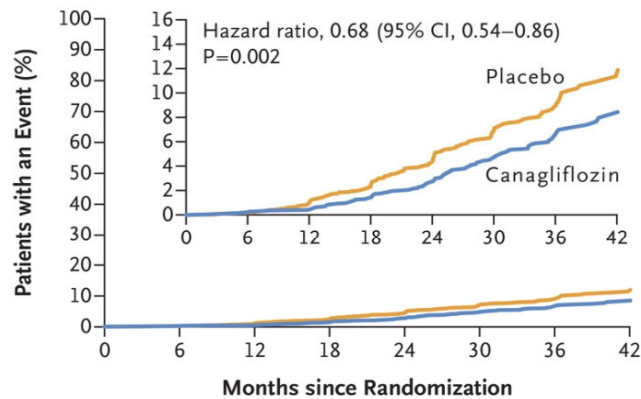
B Renal-Specific Composite Outcome



No. at Risk

Placebo	2199	2178	2131	2046	1724	1129	621	170
Canagliflozin	2202	2181	2144	2080	1786	1211	646	196

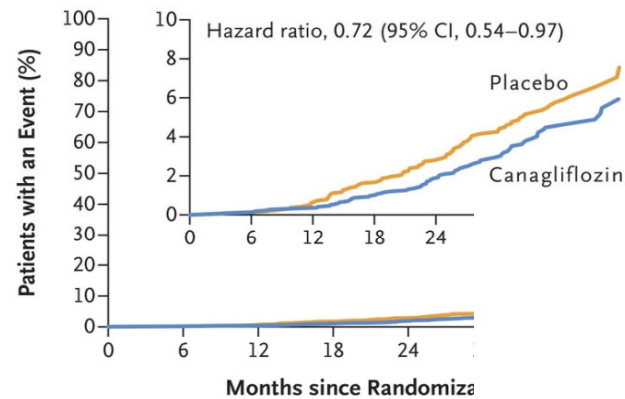
C End-Stage Kidney Disease



No. at Risk

Placebo	2199	2182	2141	2063	1752	1152	641	178
Canagliflozin	2202	2182	2146	2091	1798	1217	654	199

D Dialysis, Kidney Transplantation, or Renal Death



No. at Risk

Placebo	2199	2183	2147	2077	1776	1
Canagliflozin	2202	2184	2148	2100	1811	1



SGLT2-I CVOT – CREDENCE

Canagliflozin (@Invokana)

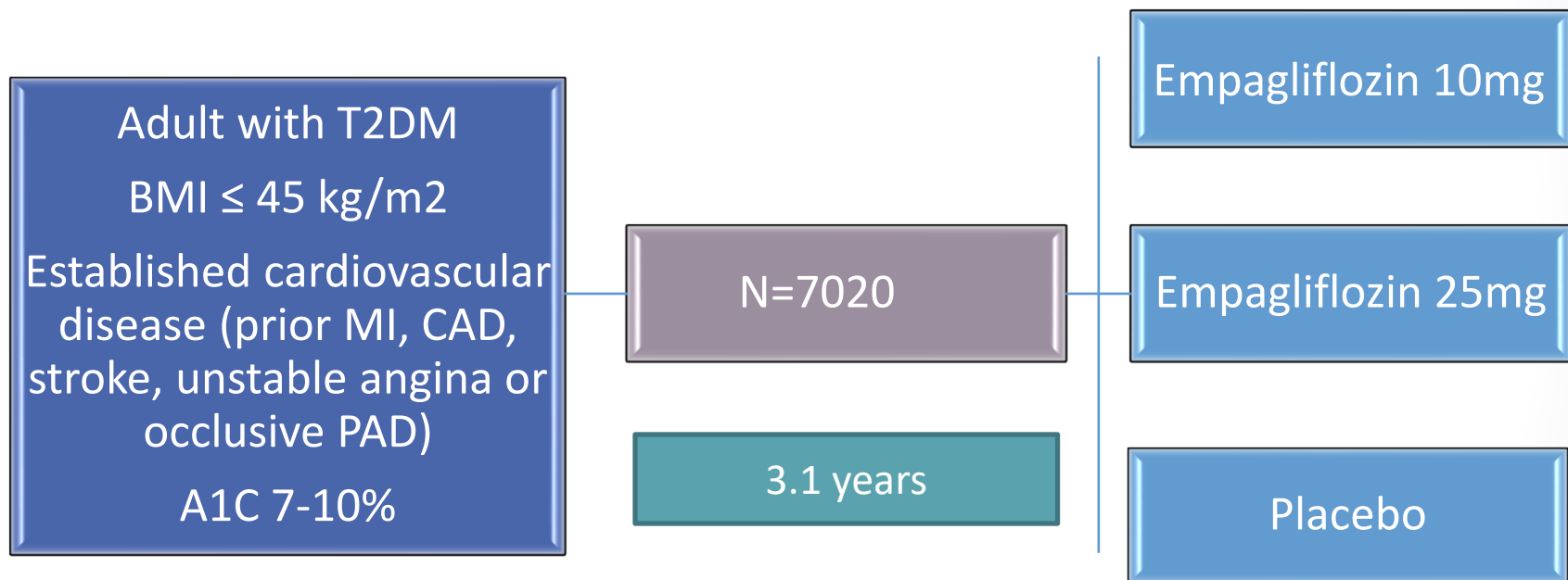
Table 2. Efficacy and Safety.*

Variable	Canagliflozin no./total no.	Placebo	Canagliflozin events/ 1000 patient-yr	Placebo	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	P Value
Efficacy						
Primary composite outcome	245/2202	340/2199	43.2	61.2	0.70 (0.59–0.82)	0.00001
Doubling of serum creatinine level	118/2202	188/2199	20.7	33.8	0.60 (0.48–0.76)	<0.001
End-stage kidney disease	116/2202	165/2199	20.4	29.4	0.68 (0.54–0.86)	0.002
Estimated GFR <15 ml/min/1.73 m ²	78/2202	125/2199	13.6	22.2	0.60 (0.45–0.80)	NA
Dialysis initiated or kidney transplantation	76/2202	100/2199	13.3	17.7	0.74 (0.55–1.00)	NA
Renal death	2/2202	5/2199	0.3	0.9	NA	NA
Cardiovascular death	110/2202	140/2199	19.0	24.4	0.78 (0.61–1.00)	0.05
Secondary outcomes						
Cardiovascular death or hospitalization for heart failure	179/2202	253/2199	31.5	45.4	0.69 (0.55–0.87)	0.0002
Cardiovascular death, myocardial infarction, or stroke	217/2202	269/2199	38.7	48.7	0.80 (0.66–0.97)	0.02
Hospitalization for heart failure	89/2202	141/2199	15.7	25.3	0.61 (0.47–0.79)	0.0001
End-stage kidney disease, doubling of serum creatinine level, or renal death	153/2202	224/2199	27.0	40.4	0.66 (0.52–0.84)	0.0002



SGLT2-I CVOT – EMPA-REG OUTCOMES

Empagliflozin (®Jardiance)



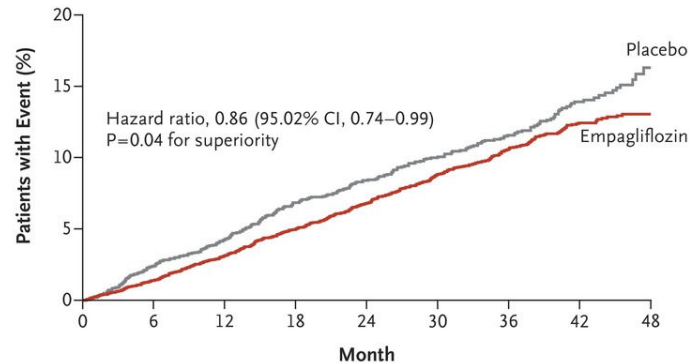
The primary outcome was a composite of death from cardiovascular cause, nonfatal myocardial infarction (excluding silent myocardial infarction), or stroke.



SGLT2-I CVOT – EMPA-REG OUTCOMES

Empagliflozin (@Jardiance)

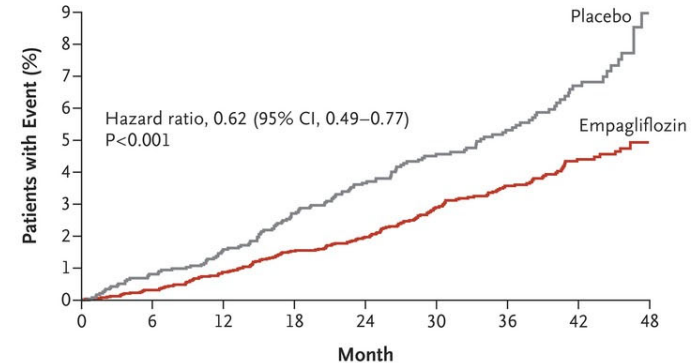
A Primary Outcome



No. at Risk

Empagliflozin	4687	4580	4455	4328	3851	2821	2359	1534	370
Placebo	2333	2256	2194	2112	1875	1380	1161	741	166

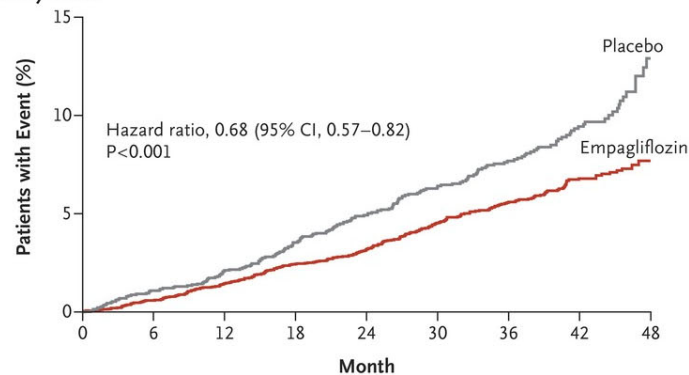
B Death from Cardiovascular Causes



No. at Risk

Empagliflozin	4687	4651	4608	4556	4128	3079	2617	1722	414
Placebo	2333	2303	2280	2243	2012	1503	1281	825	177

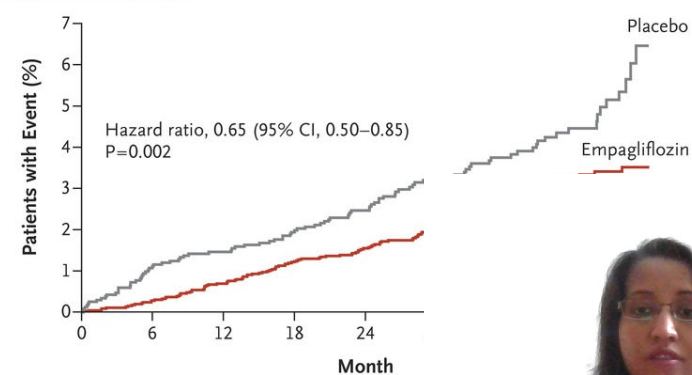
C Death from Any Cause



No. at Risk

Empagliflozin	4687	4651	4608	4556	4128	3079	2617	1722	414
Placebo	2333	2303	2280	2243	2012	1503	1281	825	177

D Hospitalization for Heart Failure



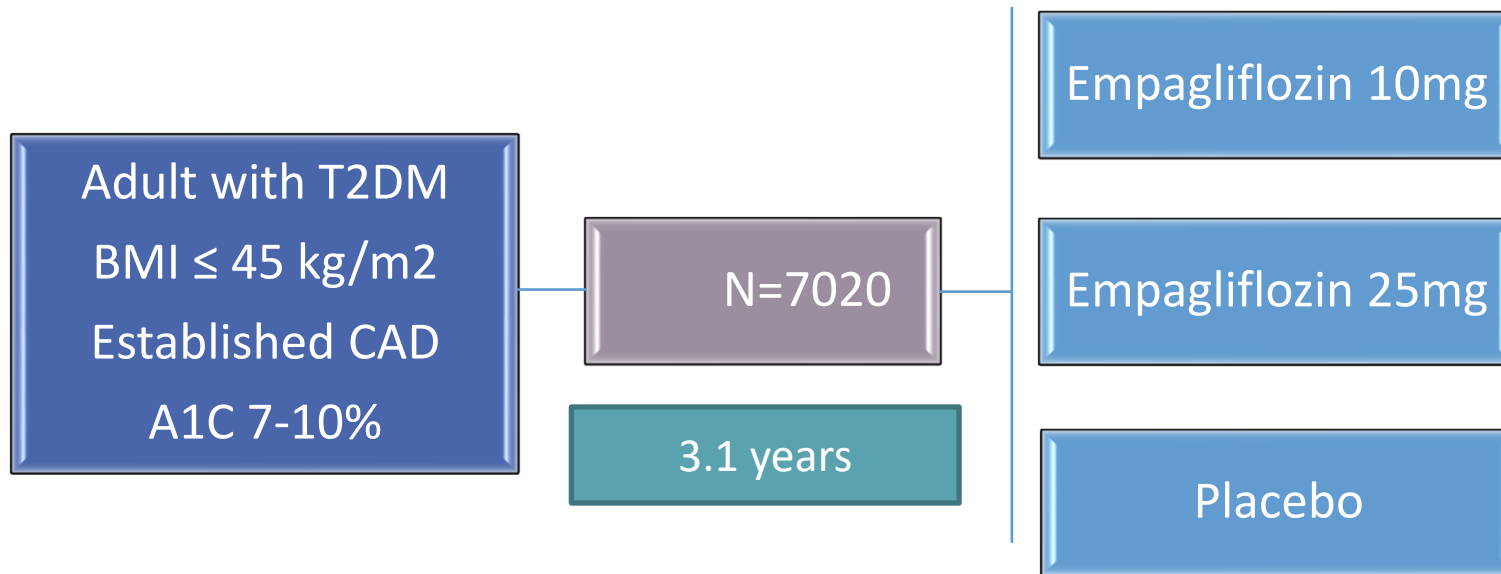
No. at Risk

Empagliflozin	4687	4614	4523	4427	3988	2
Placebo	2333	2271	2226	2173	1932	1



SGLT2-I Renal – EMPA-REG OUTCOMES

Empagliflozin (®Jardiance)



At baseline, the eGFR was 45 – 59 ml/min in 17.8% of the patients and 30 - 44 ml/min in 7.7% patients

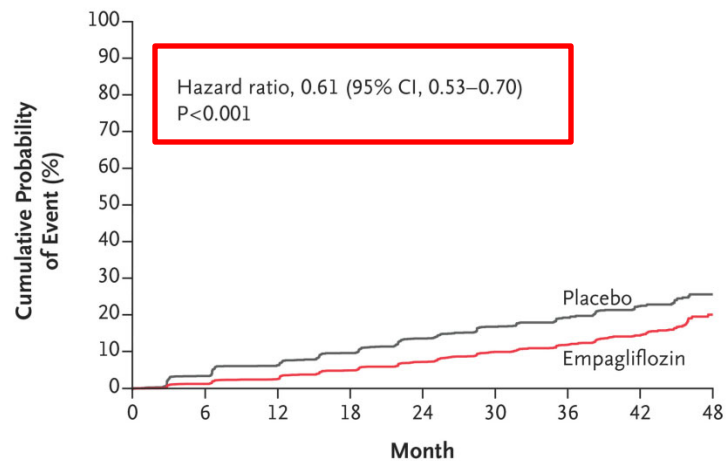
- 28.7% had microalbuminuria, and 11.0% had macroalbumin
- In total, 80.7% of the patients were taking ACEi or ARBs at b



SGLT2-I Renal – EMPA-REG OUTCOMES

Empagliflozin (®Jardiance)

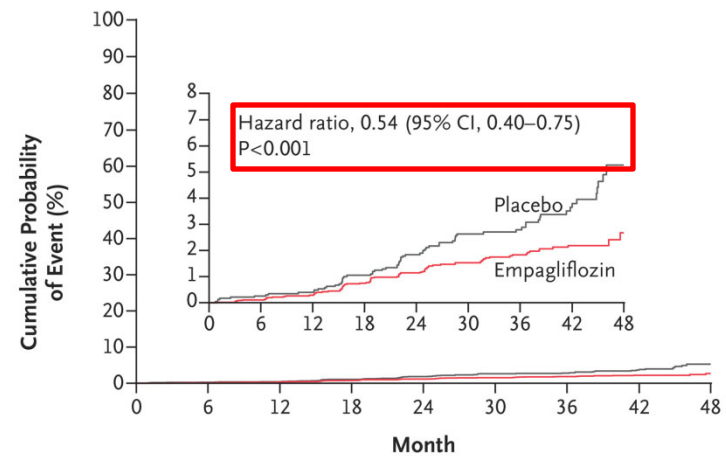
A Incident or Worsening Nephropathy



No. at Risk

Empagliflozin	4124	3994	3848	3669	3171	2279	1887	1219	290
Placebo	2061	1946	1836	1703	1433	1016	833	521	106

B Post Hoc Renal Composite Outcome



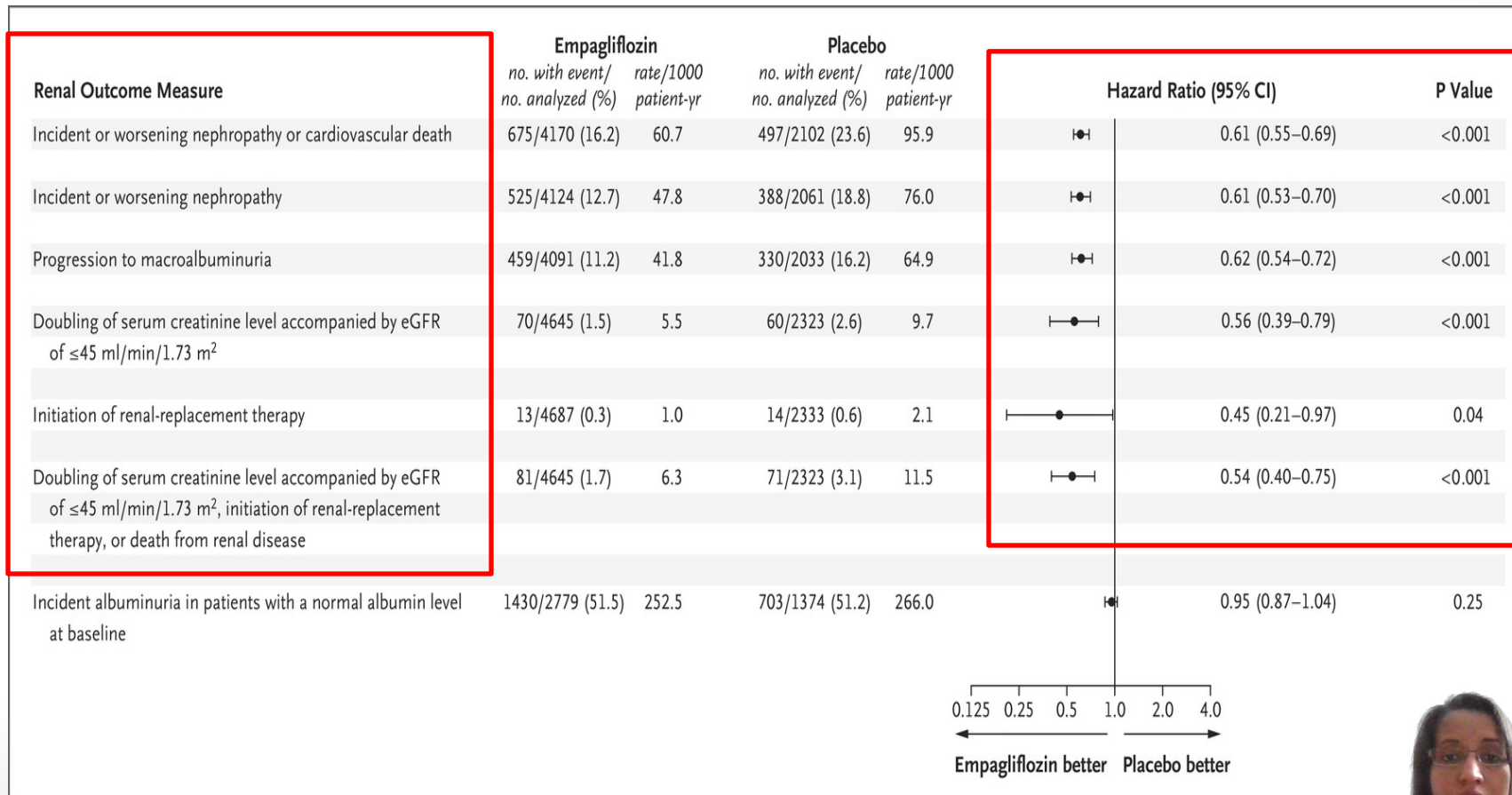
No. at Risk

Empagliflozin	4645	4500	4377	4241	3729	2715	2280	1496	360
Placebo	2323	2229	2146	2047	1771	1289	1079	680	144



SGLT2-I Renal – EMPA-REG OUTCOMES

Empagliflozin (@Jardiance)

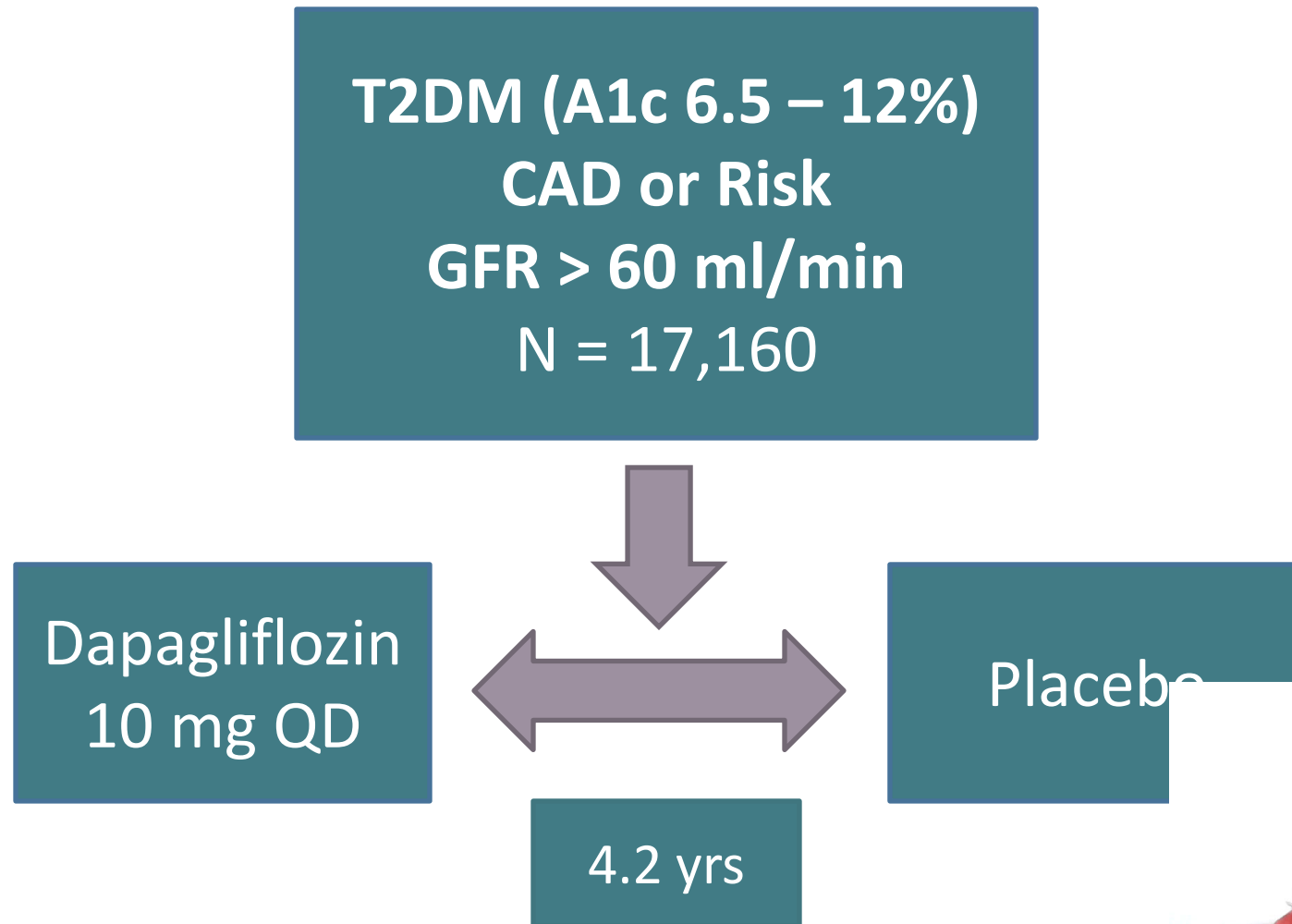


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SGLT2-I CVOT – DECLARE-TIMI 58

Dapagliflozin (®Farxiga)



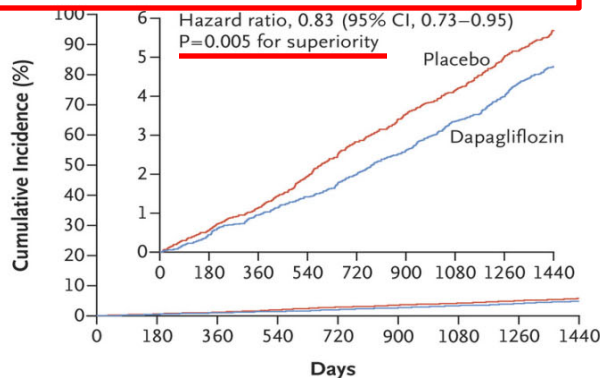
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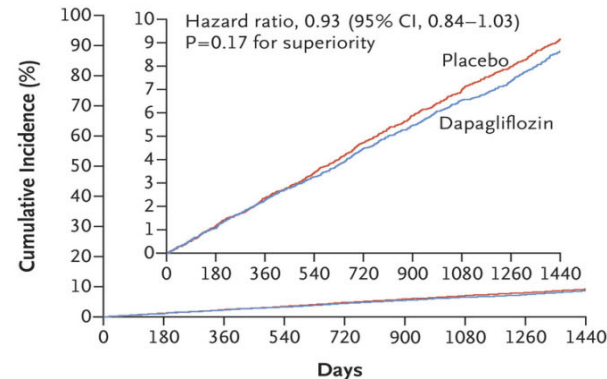
Dapagliflozin (@Farxiga)

A Cardiovascular Death or Hospitalization for Heart Failure



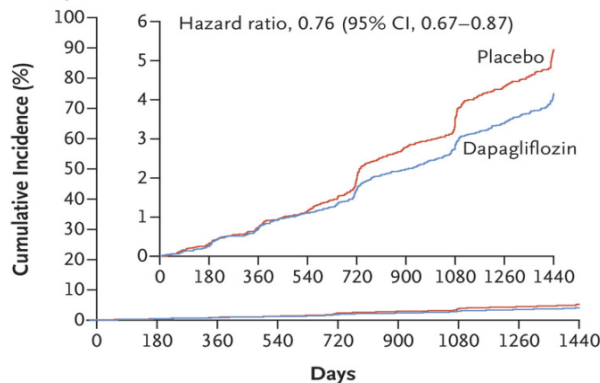
No. at Risk										
Placebo	8578	8485	8387	8259	8127	8003	7880	7367	5362	
Dapagliflozin	8582	8517	8415	8322	8224	8110	7970	7497	5445	

B MACE



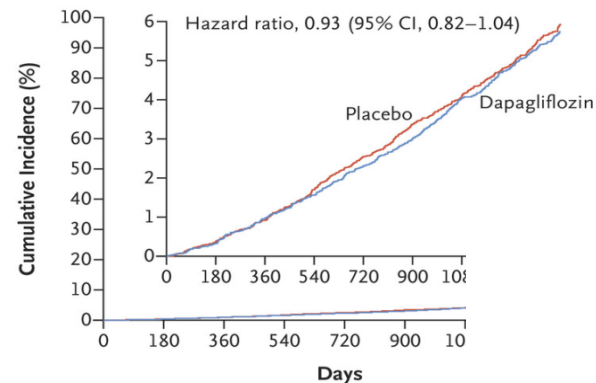
No. at Risk										
Placebo	8578	8433	8281	8129	7969	7805	7649	7137	5158	
Dapagliflozin	8582	8466	8303	8166	8017	7873	7708	7237	5225	

C Renal Composite



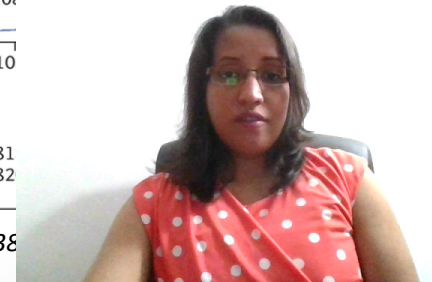
No. at Risk										
Placebo	8578	8508	8422	8326	8200	8056	7932	7409	5389	
Dapagliflozin	8582	8533	8436	8347	8248	8136	8009	7534	5472	

D Death from Any Cause



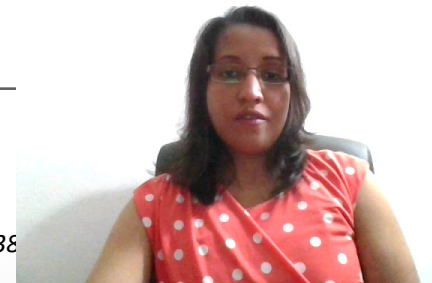
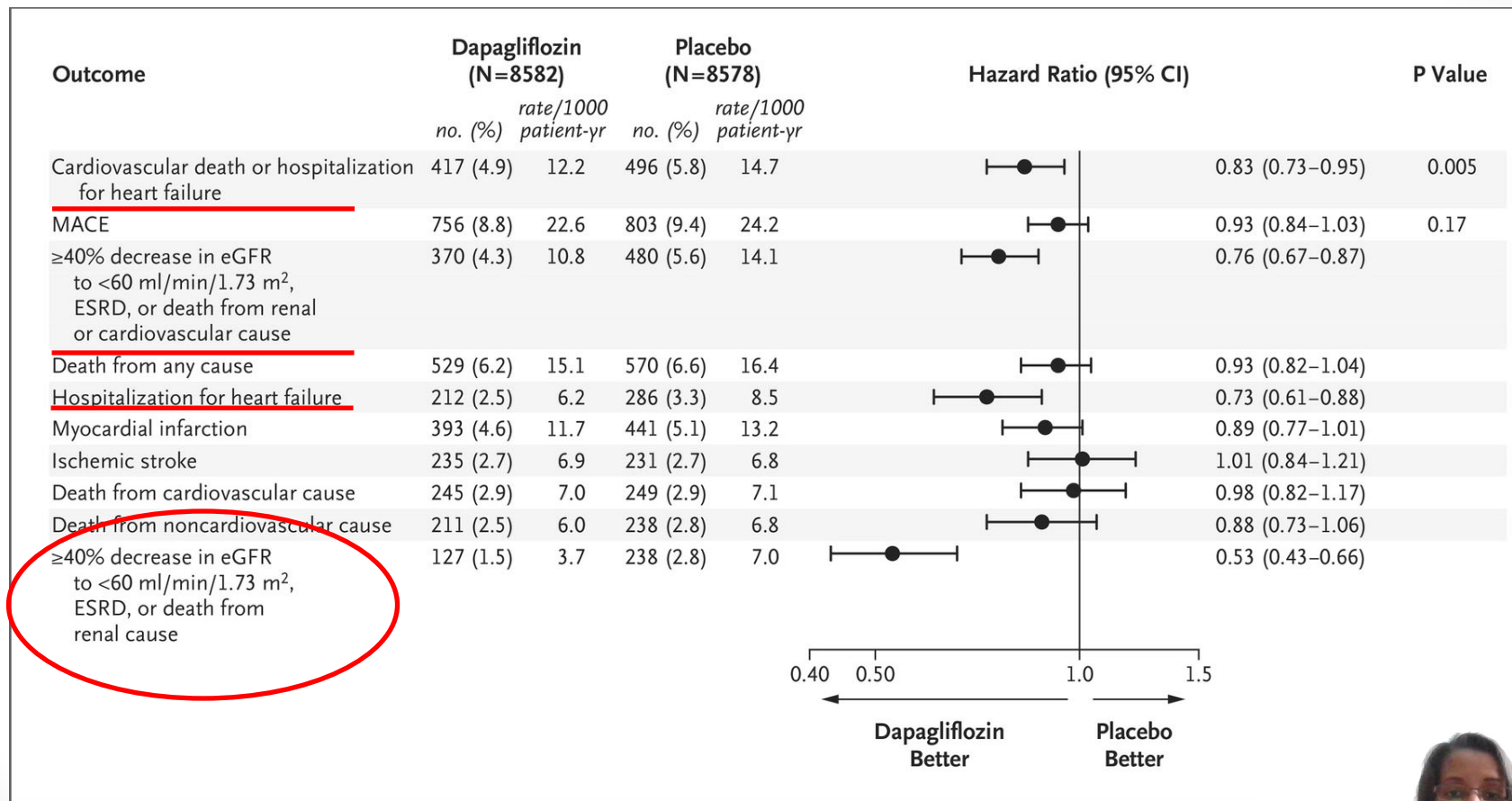
No. at Risk										
Placebo	8578	8542	8484	8414	8337	8258	81			
Dapagliflozin	8582	8554	8495	8437	8369	8305	82			

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SGLT2-I CVOT – DECLARE-TIMI

Dapagliflozin (@Farxiga)



SGLT2-I CVOT – DECLARE-TIMI

Dapagliflozin (®Farxiga)

- This trial included more than 10,000 patients without evident atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease
 - Dapagliflozin prevented cardiovascular events, particularly hospitalization for heart failure, regardless of a history of atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease or heart failure.
 - Majority of patients did not have a history of heart failure, so the prevention of new clinical heart failure is notable.



SGLT2-I CVOT – DAPA – HF Trial

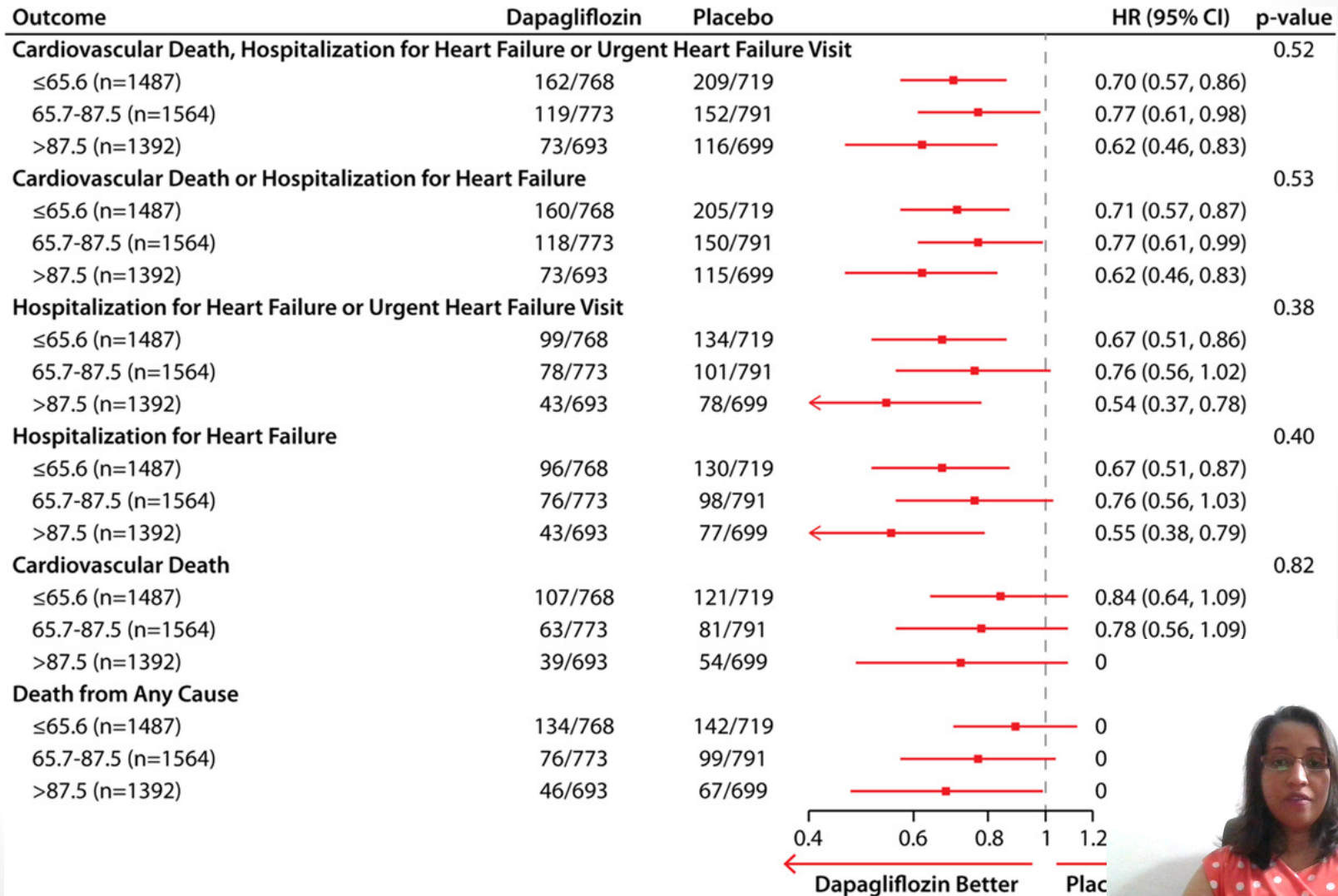
Dapagliflozin (®Farxiga)

- In the DAPA-HF trial, 4443 patients were involved with NYHA Class II HF and EF <40%, optimally treated for HF
- Only 42% of patients in this trial had a h/o T2DM.
- Patients also completed a Kansas City Cardiomyopathy Questionnaire (23 item questionnaire)



SGLT2-I CVOT – DAPA – HF Trial

Dapagliflozin (@Farxiga)



SGLT2-I CVOT – VERTIS CV

Ertugliflozin (®Steglatro)

Multicenter, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, event-driven trial

Randomization 1:1:1

Placebo

Ertugliflozin 5 mg

Ertugliflozin 15 mg

Primary endpoint (non-inferiority):

- Composite outcome of MACE (CV death, nonfatal MI, nonfatal stroke)

Secondary endpoints (superiority):

- Composite outcome of CV death/HHF
- CV death
- Renal composite (renal death, dialysis/transplant, doubling of serum creatinine)

Other prespecified endpoints:

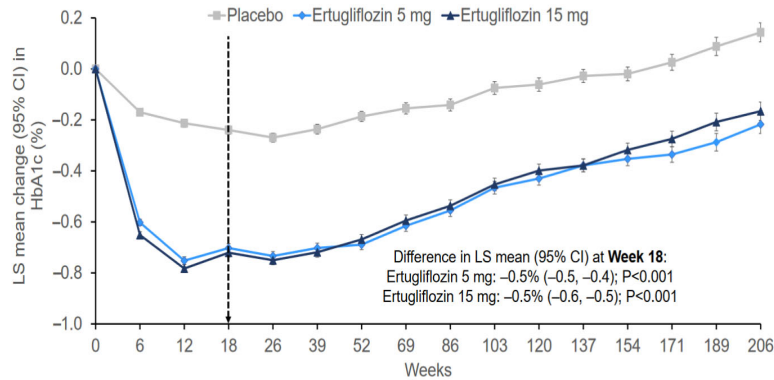
- Individual components of MACE
- Composite of MACE-plus (MACE plus hospitalization for unstable angina)
- Fatal or nonfatal MI
- Fatal or nonfatal stroke
- HHF
- All-cause mortality



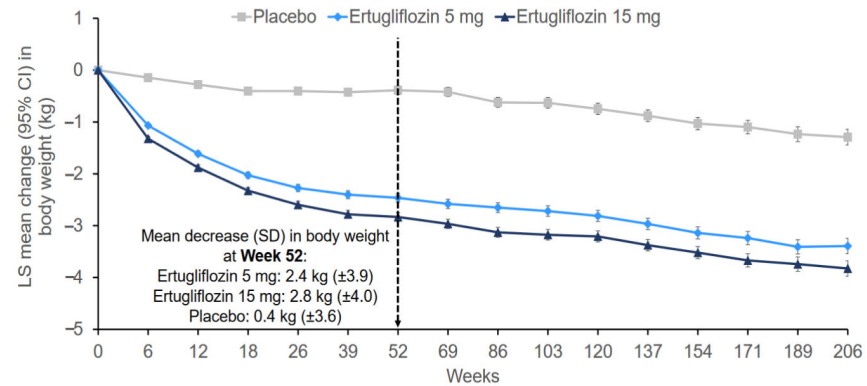
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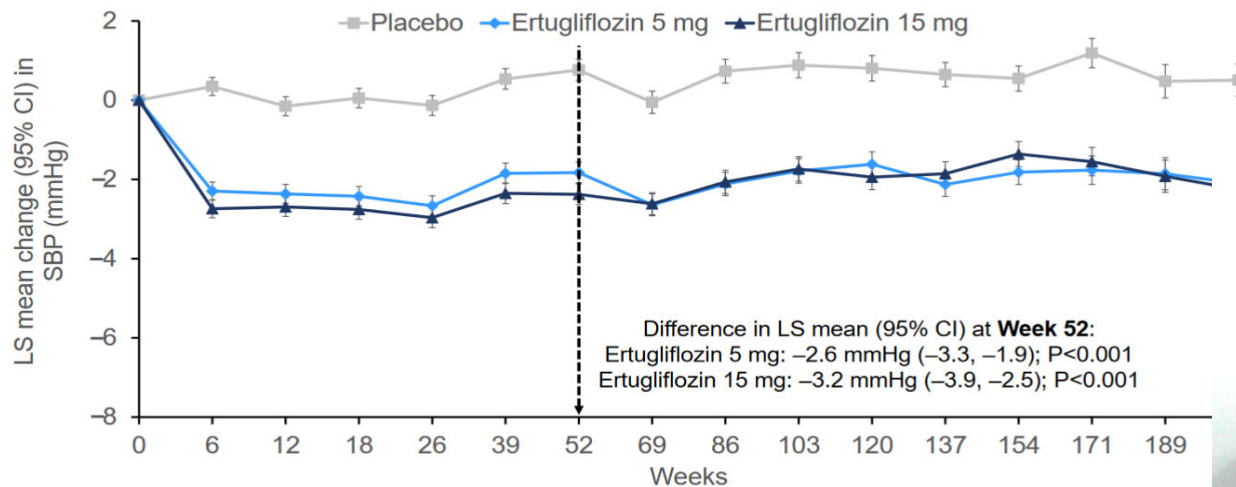
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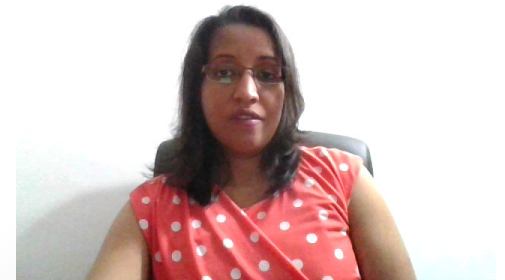
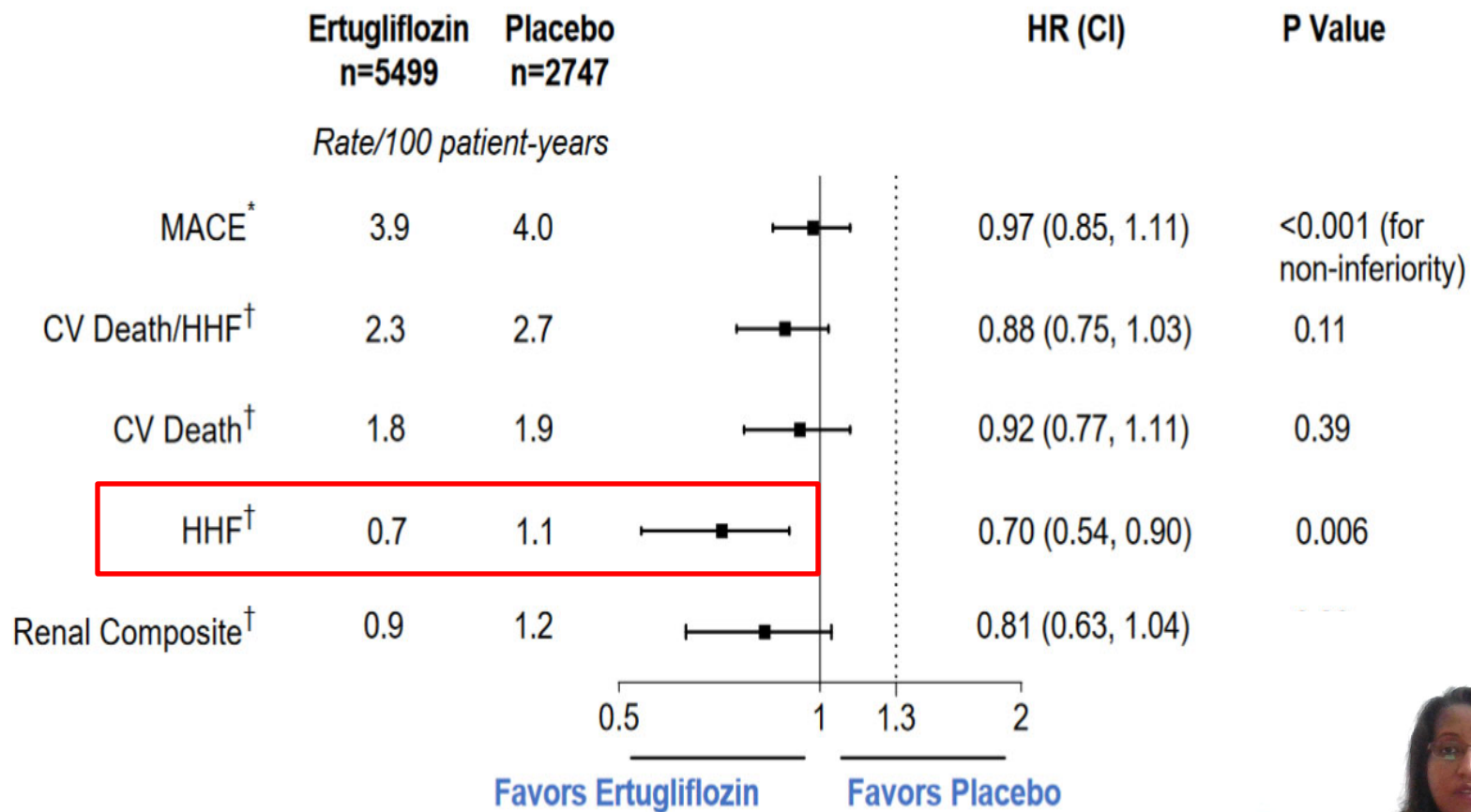


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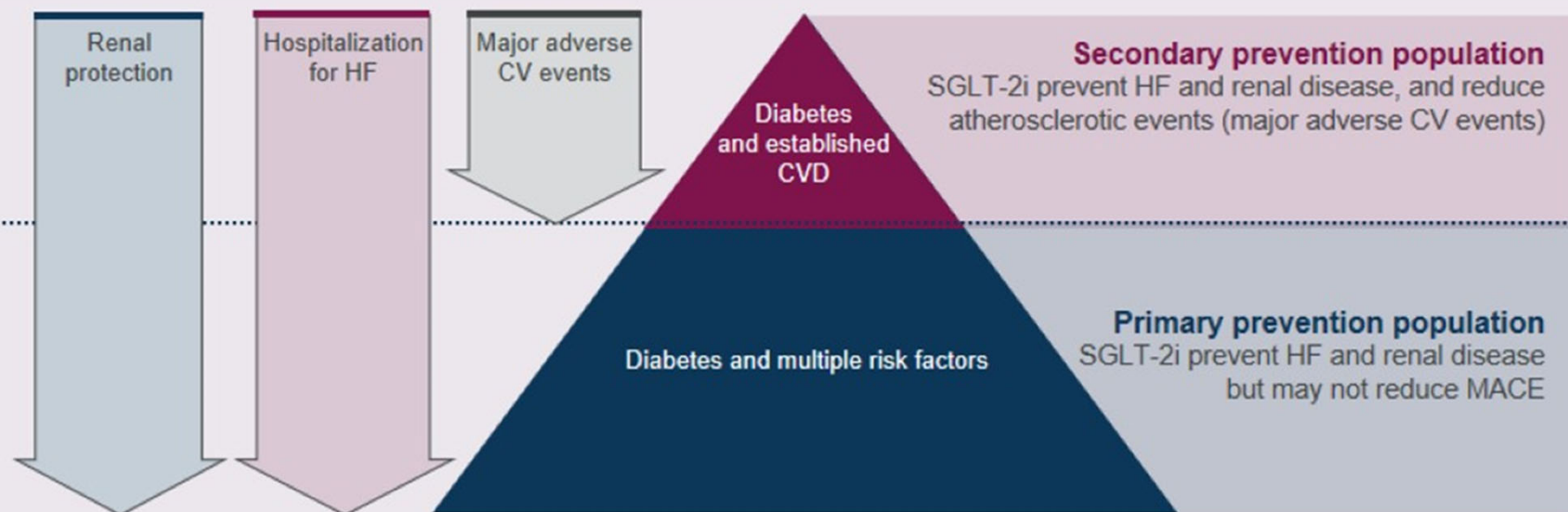


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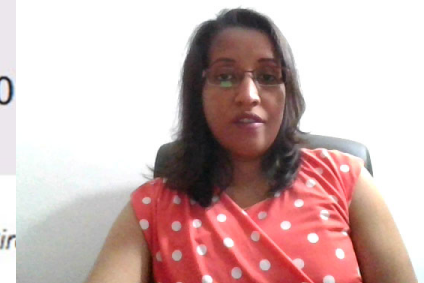
SGLT-2 Inhibition Leads to Benefits in Cardiorenal Outcome in Several Patient Populations



- According to a recent meta-analysis of three randomized CVOTs in patients with T2D with either established CVD or multiple risk factors (~60% with established CVD), SGLT-2i reduced the risk of^{1,2}:
 - Hospitalization for HF by 31% (HR=0.69; 95% CI, 0.61-0.79; $P<.0001$)
 - CV death or hospitalization for HF by 23% (HR=0.77; 95% CI, 0.71-0.84; $P<.0001$)
 - Major MACE by 11% (HR=0.89; 95% CI, 0.83-0.96; $P=.0014$)
 - Progression of renal disease by 45% (HR=0.55; 95% CI, 0.48-0.64; $P<.0001$)

CVD=cardiovascular disease; CVOT=cardiovascular outcome trial; MACE=major adverse cardiovascular event.

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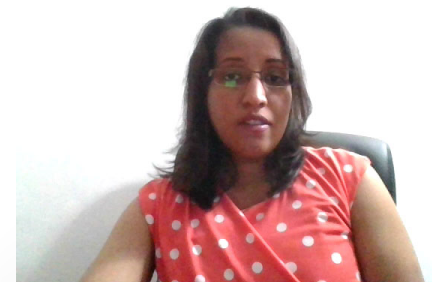
In Summary

- All the DPP4 inhibitor trials met the non-inferiority criteria but none of them met superiority criteria for CV outcomes
- Among the GLP-1 agents, Liraglutide (Victoza), Semaglutide (Ozempic), and Dulaglutide (Trulicity) showed statistically significant and real world clinically significant benefits for CV disease and nephropathy
- Among the SGLT-2 inhibitors, Canagliflozin (Invokana), Empagliflozin (Jardiance), and Dapagliflozin (Farxiga) are noted to significantly reduce hospitalizations for progression of renal disease, and MACE outcomes



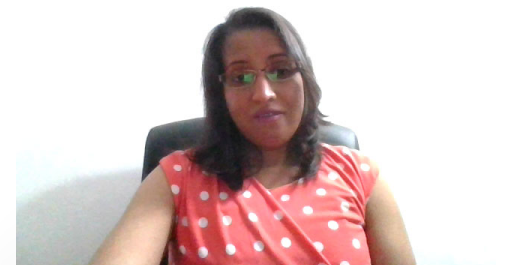
In Clinical Practice

- 65 y/o male with poorly controlled T2DM (A1c 8%) complicated with history of CAD s/p 1 stent, CHF (EF 40%), and CKD2 is referred to you by PCP for management of T2DM. His BMI is 32 kg/m² and BP is 144/94 mm Hg. He admits to a FH of MI in his father at age 40. He is adherent to diet and exercise, takes Metformin 1000 mg BID, Lisinopril 5 mg QD, and Atorvastatin 40 mg QHS.
- **Which of the following agents would be of consideration for him in addition to Metformin?**
- Pioglitazone (Actos)
- Dulaglutide (Trulicity)
- Saxagliptin (Onglyza)
- Empagliflozin (Jardiance)



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