

The new NICE NG28 Type 2 Diabetes Guidelines

How do they help me understand which medicine
to prescribe?

Disclaimer

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Who's at risk in your practice?



The State of the Nation says:

- **Every 3 minutes** someone in the UK learns that they have diabetes
- There are about **3.2 million** people in England living with the condition
 - >2,700,000 diagnosed (90% with type 2 diabetes)
 - Approximately 500,000 people have undiagnosed type 2 diabetes
- A 38% increase in diagnosed diabetes was seen between 2001 and 2013
- Another 9.8 million people could be at high risk of developing type 2 diabetes
- If current trends continue:
 - **By 2025:** 4 million people in the UK will have diabetes
 - **By 2030:** diabetes prevalence could be 14% in some areas



But first appearances can be
deceptive

Lookalike

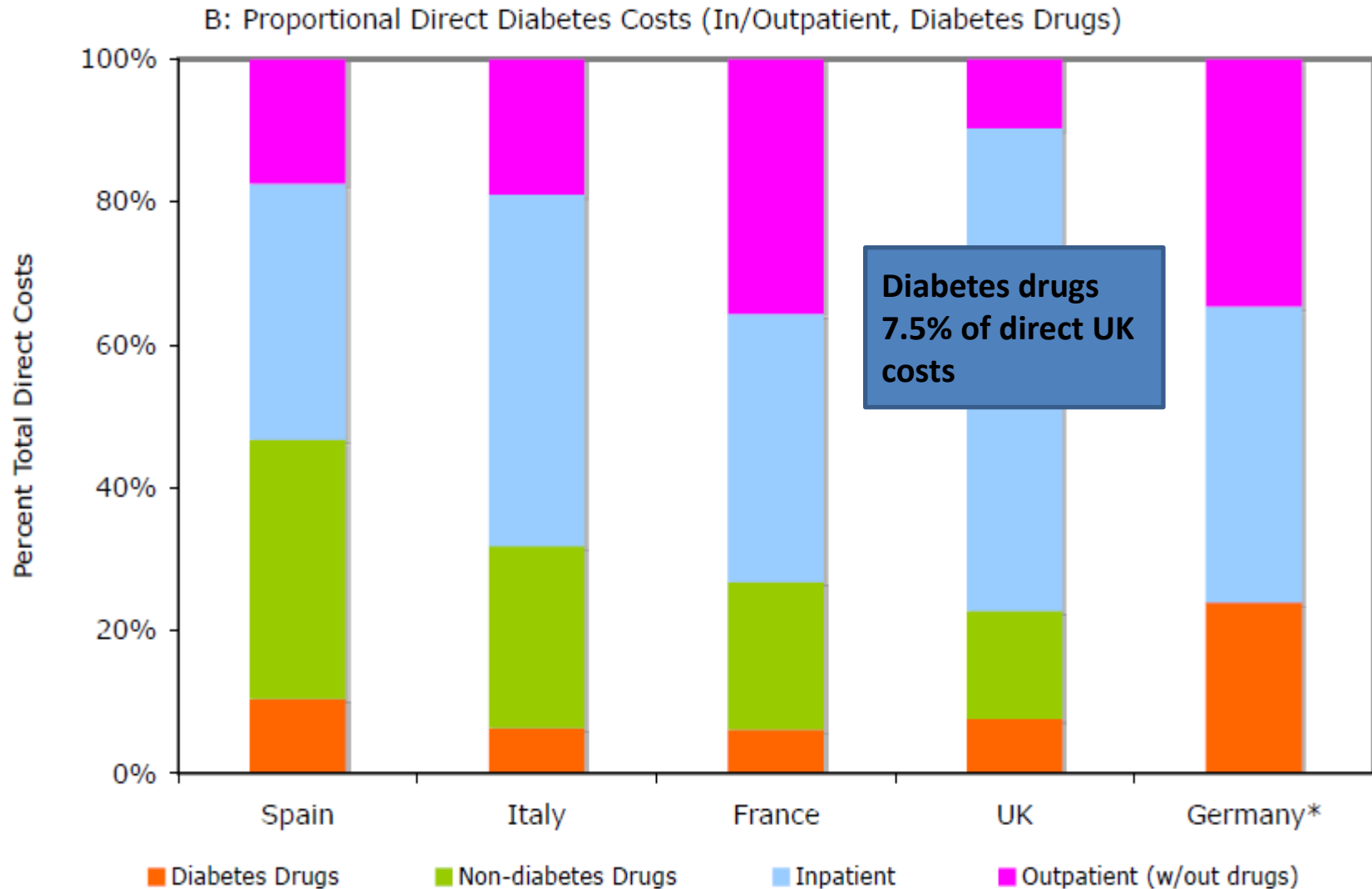


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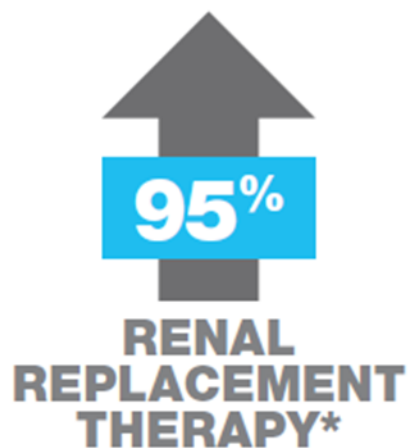
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As a proportion of NHS costs



Complications cost

Between 2007 and 2012, avoidable complications increased significantly¹⁴



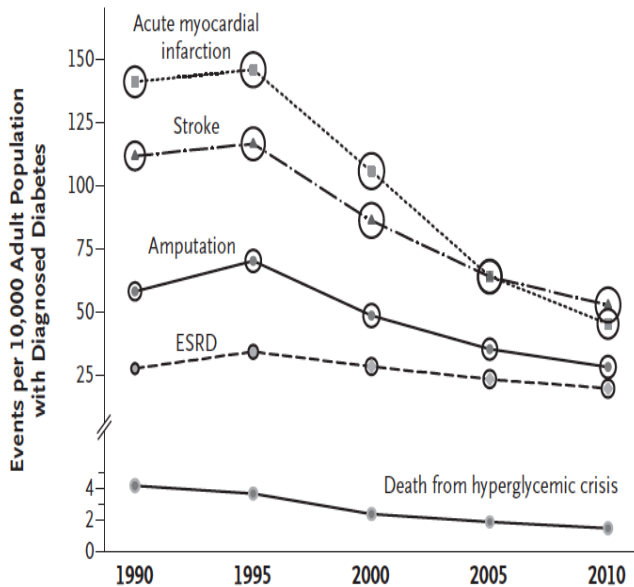
*Term used for life-supporting treatments required to treat end stage kidney disease

Diabetes UK. State of the Nation: challenges for 2015 and beyond. Available at <https://www.diabetes.org.uk/Documents/About%20Us/What%20we%20say/State%20of%20the%20nation%202014.pdf>

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Incidence of diabetes-related complications has decreased for the past 20 years¹

Age standardized event rates



Adapted from Gregg et al. 2014.

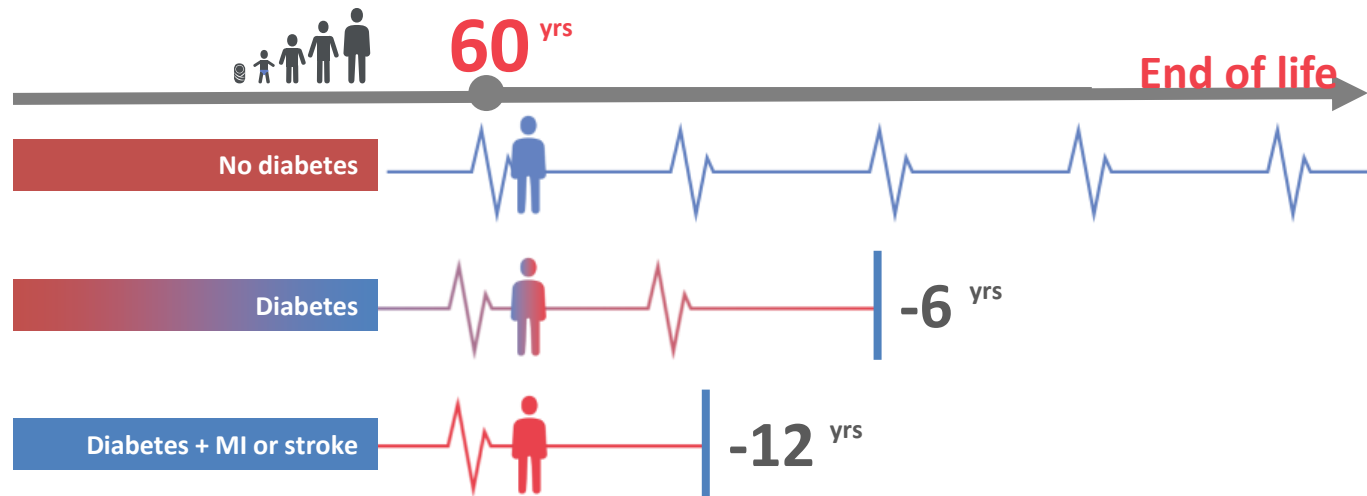
Prevalence of diabetes in the USA

	1990	2010	
	6.5 millions	20.7 millions (population +27%)	
INCIDENCE/10,000 (USA)	1990	2010	
MI	140	46	-67%
Stroke	112	53	-53%
Amputation	58	28	-51%
ABSOLUTE NUMBERS (USA)	1990	2010	
MI	140,122	135,743	-4,379
Stroke	127,016	186,719	+59,703
Amputation	50,364	73,067	+22,703

1. Gregg et al. New Engl J Med, 2014.

But there's still a long way to go

Life expectancy reduced by 12 years in patients with T2D and CVD compared to general population*1



In this case, CVD is represented by MI or stroke
*Male, 60 years of age with history of MI or stroke
CVD, cardiovascular disease; MI, myocardial infarction

We're doing pretty well in some
respects

National Diabetes Audit 2013-2014 and 2014-2015



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DIABETES UK

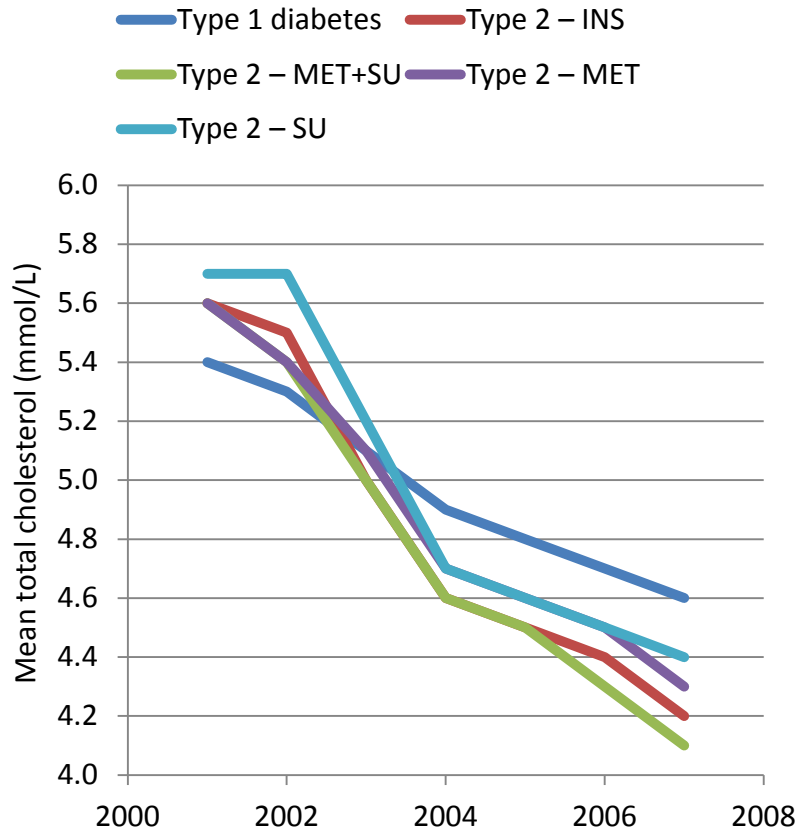
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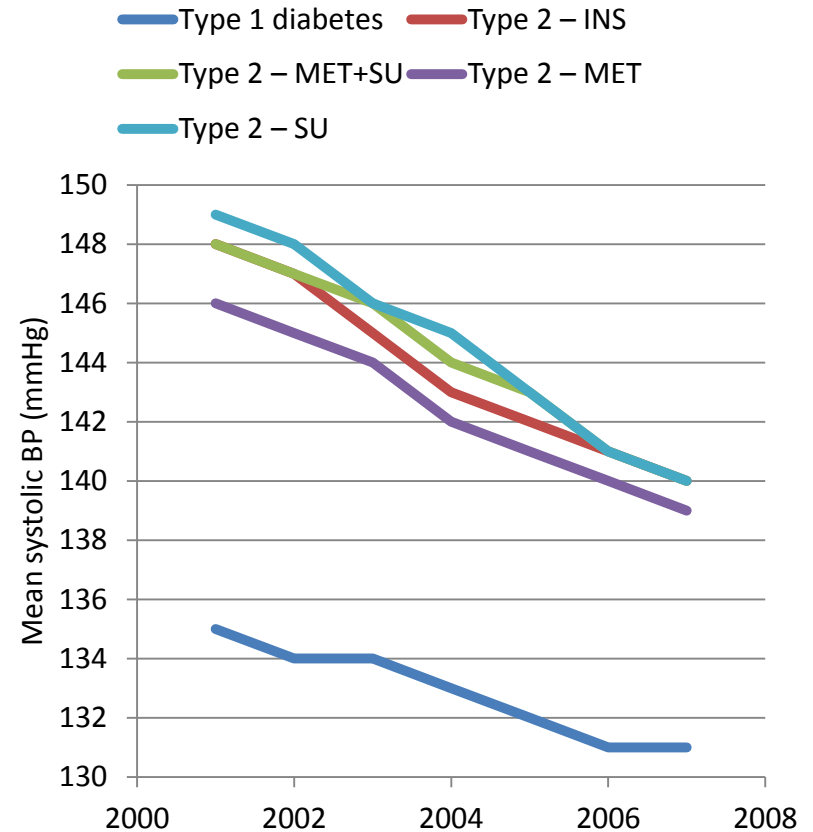
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Risk factor trends over time in people with type 2 diabetes managed in primary care

Change in mean total cholesterol levels



Change in mean systolic BP levels



BP=blood pressure; INS=insulin; MET=metformin; SU=sulphonylurea

Adapted from: Currie CJ et al (2010) *Diabet Med* **27**: 938–48

But not so well in others

- % in England and Wales receiving all 8 NICE recommended care processes has declined - at its lowest since the NDA began 6 years ago.
- 58.7% of those with Type 2 diabetes achieved all 8 targets (down from 67.6% in 2013-14)

Getting it right across the board saves lives

- Randomisation to intensified, target-driven therapy for a median of 7.8 years yielded the following benefits compared with conventional multifactorial treatment when patients were observed after a further 5.5 years (STENO2):

Mortality rate:
20% absolute risk reduction
(50% vs. 30%; $P=0.02$)

Cardiovascular event rate:
29% absolute risk reduction
(60% vs. 31%; $P<0.001$)

- Participants ($n=160$) had type 2 diabetes and persistent microalbuminuria
- Intensive treatment included the following targets:
 - HbA_{1c} <48 mmol/mol (<6.5%)
 - Total cholesterol <4.5 mmol/L
 - Triglycerides <1.7 mmol/L
 - Systolic BP <130 mmHg
 - Diastolic BP <80 mmHg

The curate's egg: macrovascular outcomes

Glucose-lowering therapies

Study ¹	Baseline HbA1c control vs. intensive	Mean duration of diabetes at baseline (years)	Microvascular		CVD		Mortality	
UKPDS ²	9% → 7.9% vs 7%	Newly diagnosed	↓	↓	↔	↓	↔	↓
ACCORD ³	8.3% → 7.5% vs 6.4%	10.0	↓*		↔		↑	
ADVANCE ⁴	7.5% → 7.3% vs 6.5%	8.0	↓	↔ [†]	↔	↔	↔	↔
VADT ⁵	9.4% → 8.4% vs 6.9%	11.5	↓	?	↔	↓	↔	↔

*No change in primary microvascular composite, but significant decreases in micro/macroalbuminuria^{2,3}

[†]No change in major clinical microvascular events, but significant reduction in ESRD (p = 0.007)⁵

 Long-term follow-up^{1,6,7}

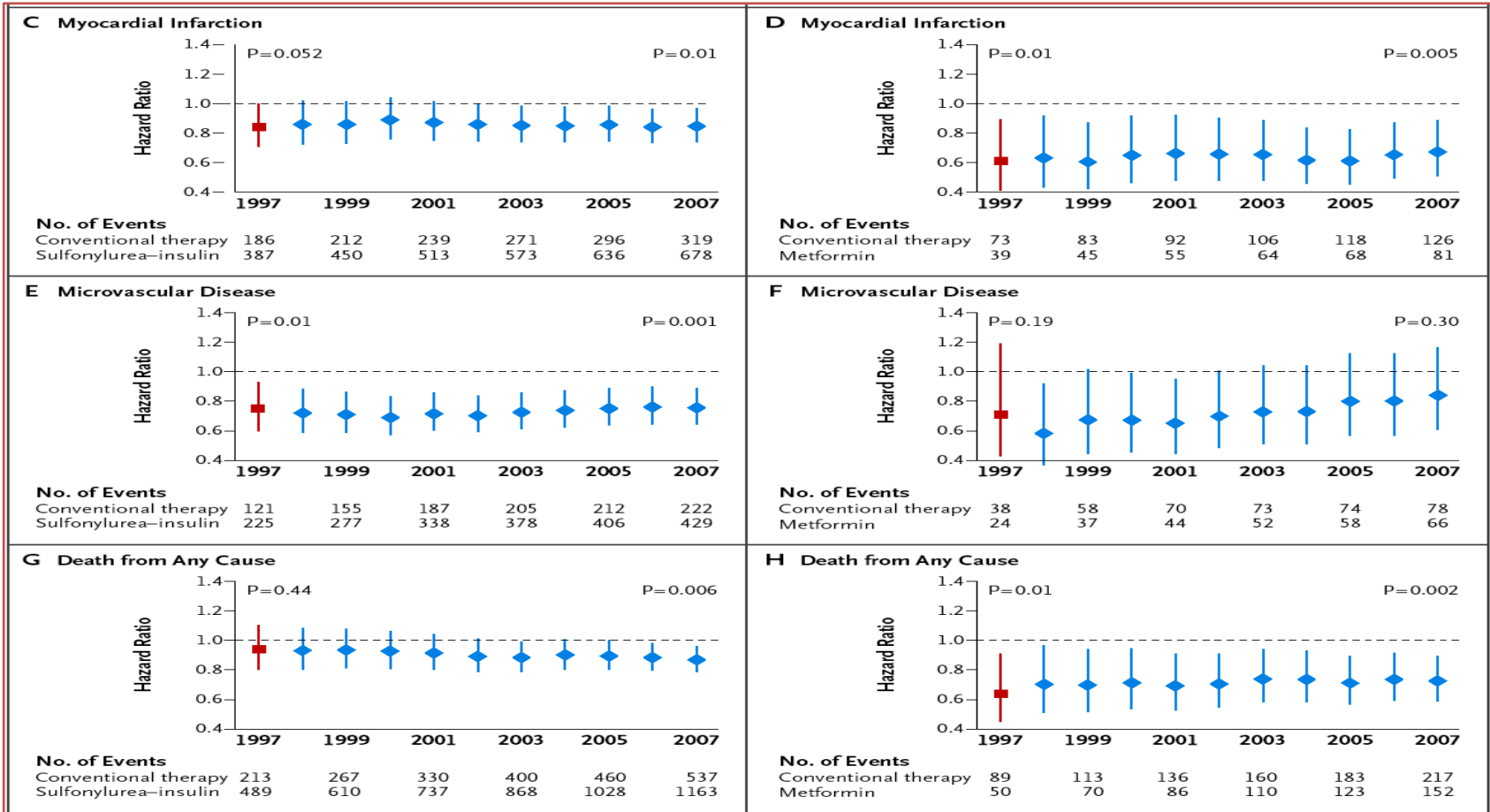
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UKPDS – welcome to the legacy

effect¹

Insulin / SU

Metformin

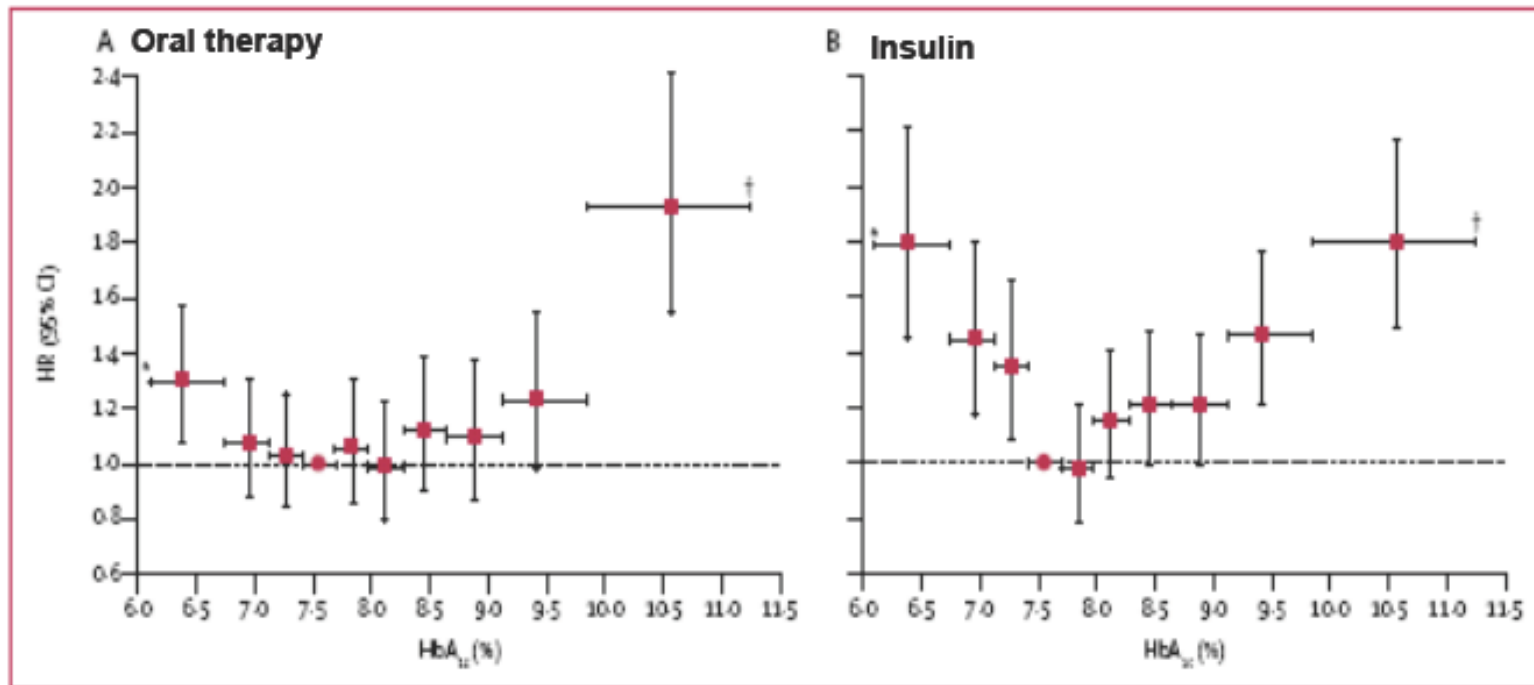


1. Adapted from Holman et al. NEJM, 2008



What does NICE have to say about individualised care?

Relationship Between Glycated Haemoglobin and Mortality in 47,970 Patients



Currie C et al. Survival as a function of HbA1c in people with type 2 diabetes: a retrospective cohort study. *Lancet* 2010; 375 (9713): 481-89

Treat the patient not the number

1.1 Individualised care

- Adopt an individualised approach to diabetes care that is tailored to your patient's needs and circumstances:
- Personal preferences
- Risks of polypharmacy
- Co-morbidities (especially if multi-morbidity)
- Impact of life expectancy on potential benefit

Older adults with type 2 diabetes

- Older people are more likely to have co-existing conditions and to be on a greater number of medicines. Their ability to benefit from risk-reduction interventions in the longer term may also be reduced.
- Particular consideration should be given to their broader health and social care needs

Diet and lifestyle

- Integrate dietary advice with a personalised diabetes management plan, including other aspects of lifestyle modification, such as increasing physical activity and losing weight. **[2009] [1.3.4]**
- Structured education for patients and/or carers at diagnosis, reinforced annually

Antiplatelet therapy

- 1.5.1 Do not offer antiplatelet therapy (aspirin or clopidogrel) for adults with type 2 diabetes without cardiovascular disease. [**new 2015**]

Blood pressure targets

- Below 140/80 or
- Below 130/80 if kidney, eye or cerebrovascular damage
- Repeat within 1 month if above 150/90
- Repeat within 2 months if above 140/80 (or 130/80 if kidney, eye or cerebrovascular damage)
- 1st line ACE-I or
- ACE-I + diuretic/CCB if Afro-Caribbean or
- CCB if chance of pregnancy

Blood glucose

- Involve adults with type 2 diabetes in decisions about their individual HbA1c target.
- Encourage them to achieve the target and maintain it unless any resulting adverse effects (including hypoglycaemia), or their efforts to achieve their target, impair their quality of life.
[new 2015]

What's gone wrong?

- Offer lifestyle advice and drug treatment to support adults with type 2 diabetes to achieve and maintain their HbA1c target [**new 2015**]
- When HbA1c rises, look at drug changes in the context of
 - Diet
 - Lifestyle
 - **Drug adherence**

Measuring HbA1c

- In adults with type 2 diabetes, measure HbA1c levels at:
- 3–6-monthly intervals (tailored to individual needs), until the HbA1c is stable on unchanging therapy
- 6-monthly intervals once the HbA1c level and blood glucose lowering therapy are stable. **[2015]**

Targets

- If controlled with diet and lifestyle +/- a single drug that is **not associated with hypoglycaemia**, aim for HbA1c target of 48mmol/mol (6.5%)

Targets (2)

- If HbA1c on one or two drugs rises to above 58mmol/mol (7.5%)
- Intensify drug treatment **and**
- Agree a target and aim for an HbA1c level of 53 mmol/mol (7.0%). [**new 2015**] [**1.6.8**]

When is a target not a target?

- 1.6.9 Consider relaxing the target HbA1c level on a case-by-case basis, particularly if **older or frail**, for adults with type 2 diabetes with:
 - ☐ Low chance of longer-term risk-reduction benefits, eg people with a reduced **life expectancy**
 - ☐ High risk of the **consequences of hypoglycaemia** from tight control, eg:
 - **risk of falling**
 - **impaired awareness of hypoglycaemia**
 - people who **drive or operate machinery as part of their job**
 - ☐ for whom intensive management would not be appropriate eg significant **comorbidities**. [**new 2015**]

Self monitoring of glucose

- Consider DVLA regs [**new 2015**]
- Do not routinely offer self-monitoring of blood glucose levels for adults with type 2 diabetes unless:
 - The person is on insulin **or**
 - There is evidence of hypoglycaemic episodes **or**
 - The person is on oral medication that may increase their risk of hypoglycaemia while driving or operating machinery **or**
 - The person is pregnant, or is planning to become pregnant [**new 2015**] [**1.6.13**]

If the person is symptomatically hyperglycaemic, consider insulin or an SU. Review treatment when blood glucose control has been achieved.

ADULT WITH TYPE 2 DIABETES WHO CAN TAKE METFORMIN

If HbA1c rises to 48 mmol/mol (6.5%) on lifestyle interventions:

- Offer standard-release metformin
- Support the person to aim for an HbA1c level of 48 mmol/mol (6.5%)

If standard-release metformin is not tolerated, consider a trial of modified-release metformin

FIRST INTENSIFICATION

If HbA1c rises to 58 mmol/mol (7.5%):

- Consider dual therapy with:
 - metformin and a DPP-4i
 - metformin and pioglitazone^a
 - metformin and an SU
 - *metformin and an SGLT-2^b*
- Support the person to aim for an HbA1c level of 53 mmol/mol (7.0%)

If triple therapy is not effective, not tolerated or contraindicated, consider combination therapy with metformin, an SU and a GLP-1 mimetic^c for adults with type 2 diabetes who:

- have a BMI of 35 kg/m² or higher (adjust accordingly for people from black, Asian and other minority ethnic groups) and specific psychological or other medical problems associated with obesity or
- have a BMI lower than 35 kg/m², and for whom insulin therapy would have significant occupational implications, or weight loss would benefit other significant obesity-related comorbidities

SECOND INTENSIFICATION

If HbA1c rises to 58 mmol/mol (7.5%):

- Consider:
 - triple therapy with:
 - metformin, a DPP-4i and an SU
 - metformin, pioglitazone^a and an SU
 - *metformin, pioglitazone^a or an SU, and an SGLT-2^b*
 - insulin-based treatment
- Support the person to aim for an HbA1c level of 53 mmol/mol (7.0%)

METFORMIN CONTRAINDICATED OR NOT TOLERATED

If HbA1c rises to 48 mmol/mol (6.5%) on lifestyle interventions:

- Consider one of the following^d:
 - a DPP-4i, pioglitazone^a or an SU
- Support the person to aim for an HbA1c level of 48 mmol/mol (6.5%) for people on a DPP-4i or pioglitazone or 53 mmol/mol (7.0%) for people on an SU

FIRST INTENSIFICATION

If HbA1c rises to 58 mmol/mol (7.5%):

- Consider dual therapy^e with:
 - a DPP-4i and pioglitazone^a
 - a DPP-4i and an SU
 - pioglitazone^a and an SU
- Support the person to aim for an HbA1c level of 53 mmol/mol (7.0%)

SECOND INTENSIFICATION

If HbA1c rises to 58 mmol/mol (7.5%):

- Consider insulin-based treatment
- Support the person to aim for an HbA1c level of 53 mmol/mol (7.0%)

In English please?

- **1st line** – metformin standard release
 - If standard release not tolerated, consider MR Metformin
 - In adults with type 2 diabetes, if metformin is contraindicated or not tolerated, consider initial drug treatment with:
 - ☐ a dipeptidyl peptidase-4 (DPP-4) inhibitor **or**
 - ☐ pioglitazone **or**
 - ☐ ☐ a sulfonylurea. [**new 2015**]
- Aim for 48mmol/mol if on DPP-4i or pioglitazone,
53mmol/mol if on SU**

In English please?

- **2nd line**
- Consider dual therapy with:
- metformin and **pioglitazone**
- metformin and an **SU**
- metformin and a **DPP-4i**
- *metformin and an SGLT-2i* (Treatment with combinations of medicines including sodium–glucose cotransporter 2 (**SGLT-2**) inhibitors may be appropriate for some people with type 2 diabetes; see the NICE guidance..)

In English please?

- **triple therapy** with:
- metformin, a DPP-4i and an SU
- metformin, pioglitazone and an SU
- metformin, pioglitazone or an SU, and an SGLT-2i
- (see NICE TAG. All three licensed for dual, only cana/empa currently for triple. All three are also recommended as options in combination with insulin.
- Watch out for DKA with SGLT-2is – test for ketones in patients with symptoms, even if glucose normal

LET'S MAKE IT PERSONAL WHERE HYPOGLYCAEMIA IS CONCERNED

SOTIP



Hypoglycaemia – the risk factors

- Living alone
- Working at heights
- Operating heavy machinery
- Older people^{1,2}
- Driving
- CKD¹
- Long duration diabetes¹
- Irregular eating habits³
- Exercise³
- Have lower HbA1c⁴
- Periods of fasting eg Ramadam
- Prior hypoglycemia^{5,6,6a}
- Hypoglycemia unawareness
- Alcohol⁸

1) Henderson JN et al. *Diabet Med.* 2003;20:1016–1021.

2) Matyka K et al. *Diabetes Care.* 1997;20(2):135–141

3) Miller CD et al. *Arch Intern Med.* 2001;161:1653–1659.

4) Wright et al. *J Diabetes Complications.* 2006;20:395–401;

5) Chico A et al. *Diabetes Care.* 2003;26(4):1153–1157.

6) Canadian Diabetes Association Clinical Practice Guidelines Expert Committee. *Can J Diabetes.* 2008;32(suppl 1):S62–S64.

6a) California Healthcare Foundation. *J Am Ger Soc.* 2003;51(5, suppl):S265–S280

7) Amiel SA et al. *Diabet Med.* 2008;25(3):245–254.

8) Salti L *Diabetes Care* 2004

Just how big a problem is hypoglycaemia with SUs?

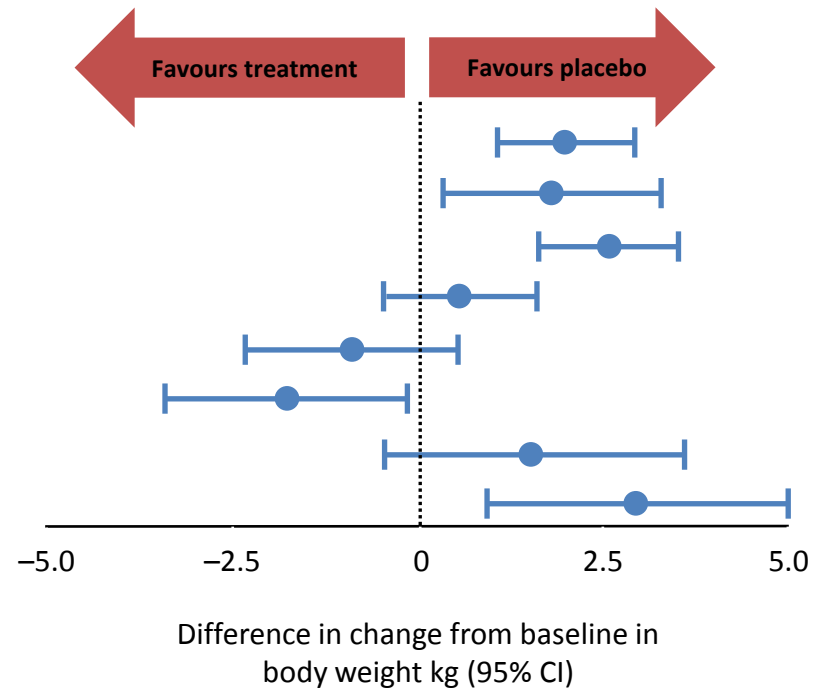
- In a 2014 survey of drivers taking SUs
- Within the previous 12 months
- 14% had 1-2 severe hypos
- 27% had 3 or more severe hypos
- 17% had 1-2 mild hypos
- 60% had 3 or more mild hypos

**As if driving wasn't tough enough
already....**



And if you ask a patient if they'd rather take a drug that made them put on weight?

Treatment	MTC estimate (95% CrI)
Sulphonylureas	2.01 (1.09, 2.94)
Meglitinides	1.80 (0.35, 3.29)
Thiazolidinediones	2.59 (1.66, 3.51)
DPP-4 inhibitors	0.57 (-0.45, 1.60)
Alpha-glucosidase inhibitors	-0.92 (-2.35, 0.51)
GLP-1 analogues	-1.79 (-3.43, -0.14)
Basal insulin	1.56 (-0.46, 3.63)
Biphasic insulin	2.96 (0.96, 5.00)



Mixed-treatment comparison (MTC) results showing the effect of adding second-line agents versus placebo in adults taking metformin on change from baseline in bodyweight (kg). MTC analysis based on 30 randomised controlled trials (n=15,265). Most trials were 6–12 months long. Overall, meta-regression and sensitivity analyses yielded minimal differences from the reference case.

CrI=credible interval; DPP-4=dipeptidyl peptidase-4; GLP-1=glucagon-like peptide-1.

McIntosh B et al (2011) *Open Med* 5: e35-48

Are we intensifying treatment to reduce complications?

In a retrospective cohort study of 81,573 UK patients in general practice

How long do we take	in real life to intensify Rx?	(median times in years)
	From 1 oral agent (years)	From 2 oral agents (years)
HbA _{1c} ≥7.0% (≥53mmol/mol)	2.9	> 7.2*
HbA _{1c} ≥7.5% (≥58mmol/mol)	1.9	> 7.2*
HbA _{1c} ≥8.0% (≥64mmol/mol)	1.6	> 6.9

*7.2 years was the maximum follow up

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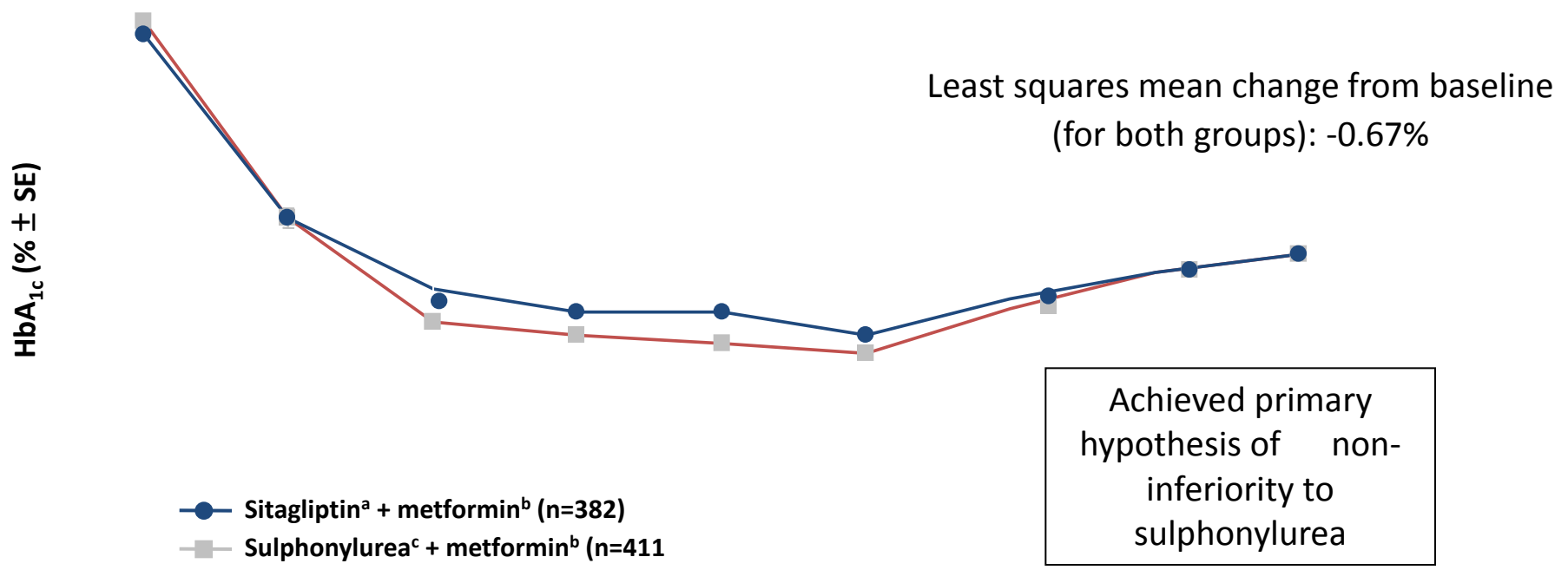
And the mean HbA1c at which	treatment was intensified?
Add second agent	8.7% (72mmol/mol)
Add third agent	9.1% (76mmol/mol)
Intensify if on 3 agents	9.7% (83mmol/mol)

**WE WANT DRUGS WITH EFFICACY,
TOLERABILITY, SAFETY, NO WEIGHT GAIN
AND VERY LOW RISK OF HYPOS**

A truly harmonious combination?



Sitagliptin with metformin showed comparable efficacy to sulphonylurea with metformin³²



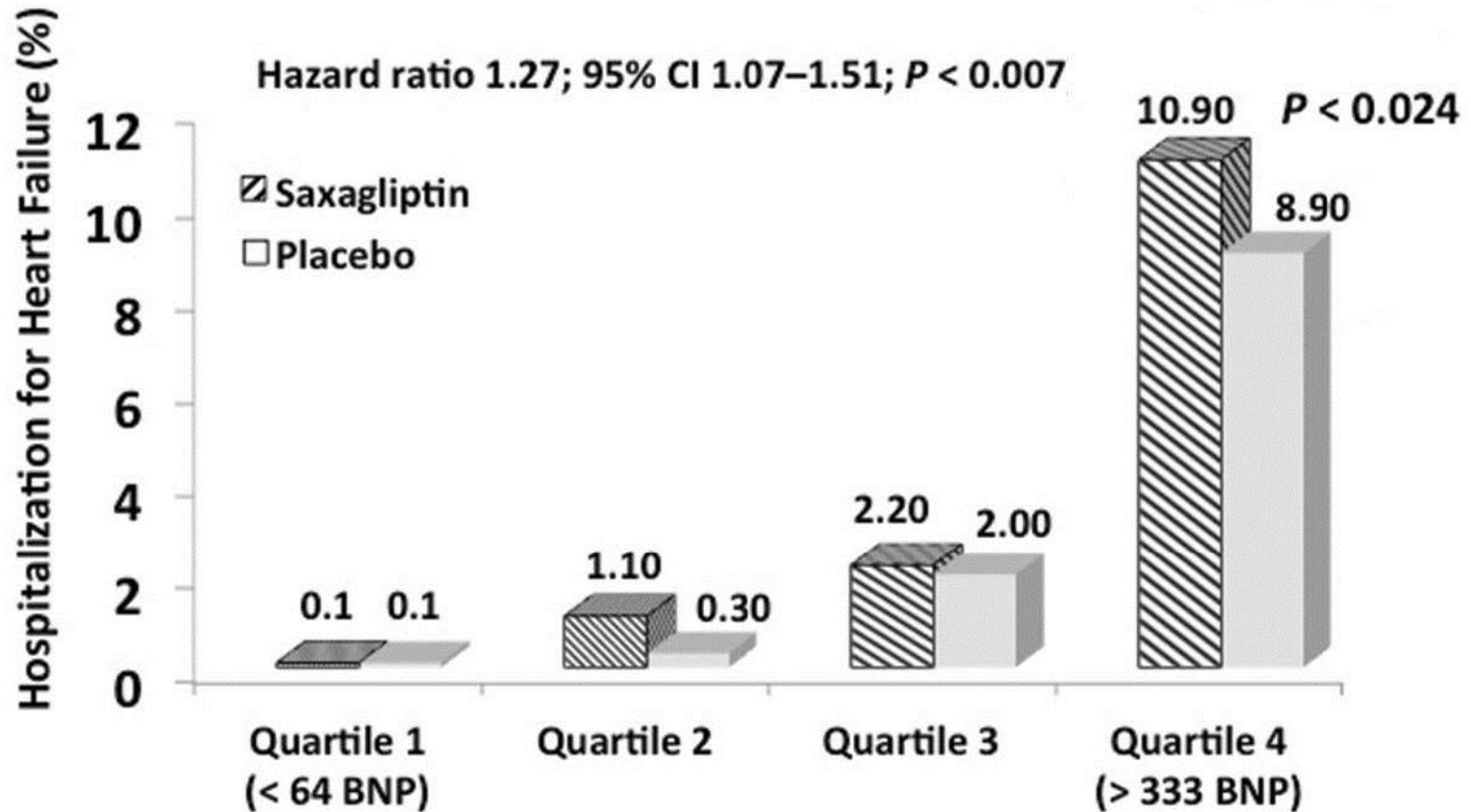
Per protocol population ^aSitagliptin 100 mg o.d.; ^bMetformin ≥1,500 mg/day; ^cGlipizide (5 mg/day to 20 mg/day)
32. Nauck et al. *Diab Obes Metab* 2007;9:194-205.
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And to complete the picture – some Retro Data and meta-analysis

- Decreased risk of all-cause mortality (adjusted hazard ratio 1.357 {1.076-1.710, $p=0.01$ }) with DPP-4i +metformin combination therapy compared with SU +metformin (Currie C, abstract 200 EASD 2013)
- In a large meta analysis, ($n = 1,325,446$) SU use was associated with a significantly increased risk of CV death (relative risk 1.27, 95% CI 1.18–1.34) (Phung, Diabet. Med. 30, 1160–1171 2013)

So much for the SUs – are the
Gliptins safe?

Possible off-target effect of increased HF hospitalizations from saxagliptin in SAVOR trial.



Vani P. Sanon et al. Clin Diabetes 2014;32:121-126



Primary Results

8th June 2015

14,735
randomized

Diagram

64 excluded from all analyses

- 11 did not consent
- 53 at one site excluded for GCP deviations

14,671
included in ITT analysis

7332 sitagliptin ITT

- 7180 (97.9%) VS known
- 6972 (95.1%) completed
- 61 (0.8%) LTFU
 - 29 (48%) VS known
- 299 (4.1%) Withdrawn
 - 179 (60%) VS known

7339 placebo ITT

- 7123 (97.0%) VS known
- 6905 (94.1%) completed
- 71 (1.0%) LTFU
 - 33 (46%) VS known
- 363 (4.9%) Withdrawn
 - 185 (51%) VS known

*ITT = intention-to-treat; LTFU = lost to follow-up;
VS = vital status, GCP = Good Clinical Practice*

Primary Composite Cardiovascular Outcome

Time to first occurrence of:

- Cardiovascular-related death
- Nonfatal myocardial infarction
- Nonfatal stroke
- Hospitalization for unstable angina

A Clinical Endpoints Committee, blinded to therapy allocation, reviewed all potential CVD endpoints independently.

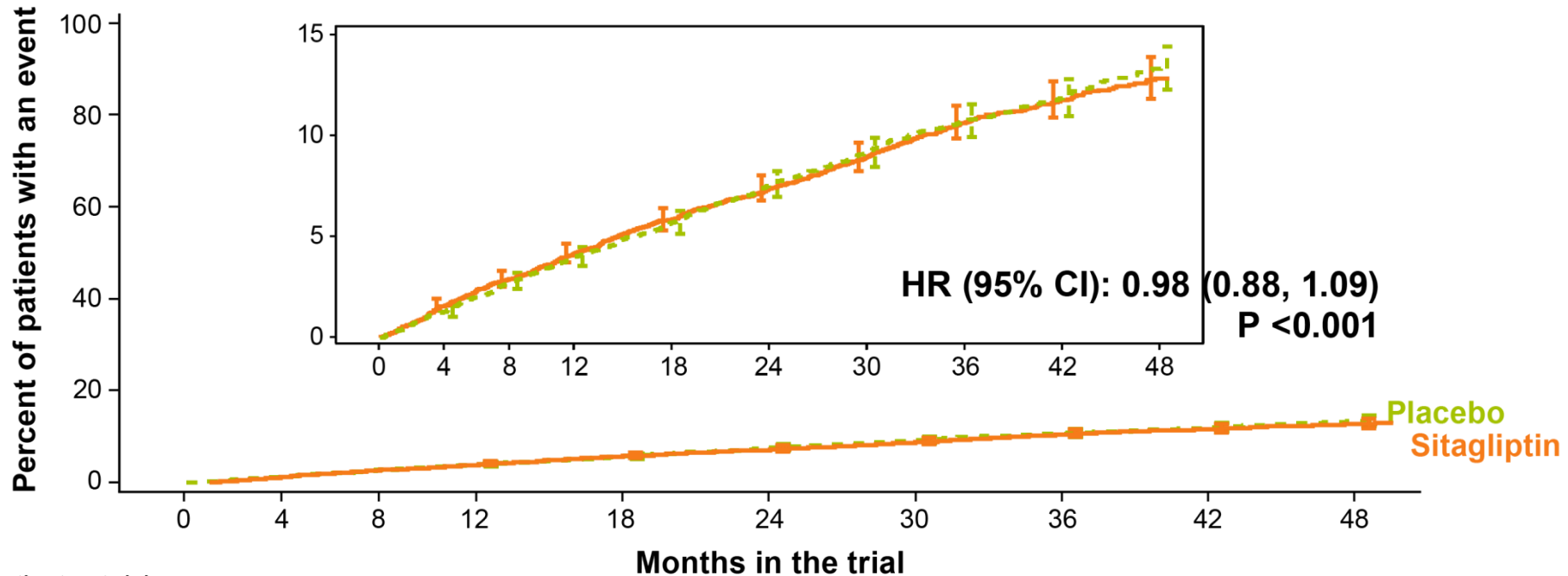
Secondary Cardiovascular Outcomes

Time to —

- Secondary composite CV outcome (nonfatal MI, nonfatal stroke, or CV-related death)
- First confirmed component event in the primary outcome (Cardiovascular-related death, nonfatal myocardial infarction, nonfatal stroke, hospitalization for unstable angina)
- First fatal or nonfatal MI
- First fatal or nonfatal stroke
- All-cause mortality
- Hospitalization for heart failure
- Hospitalization for heart failure or CV-related death

Primary Composite Cardiovascular Outcome*

PP Analysis for Non-inferiority



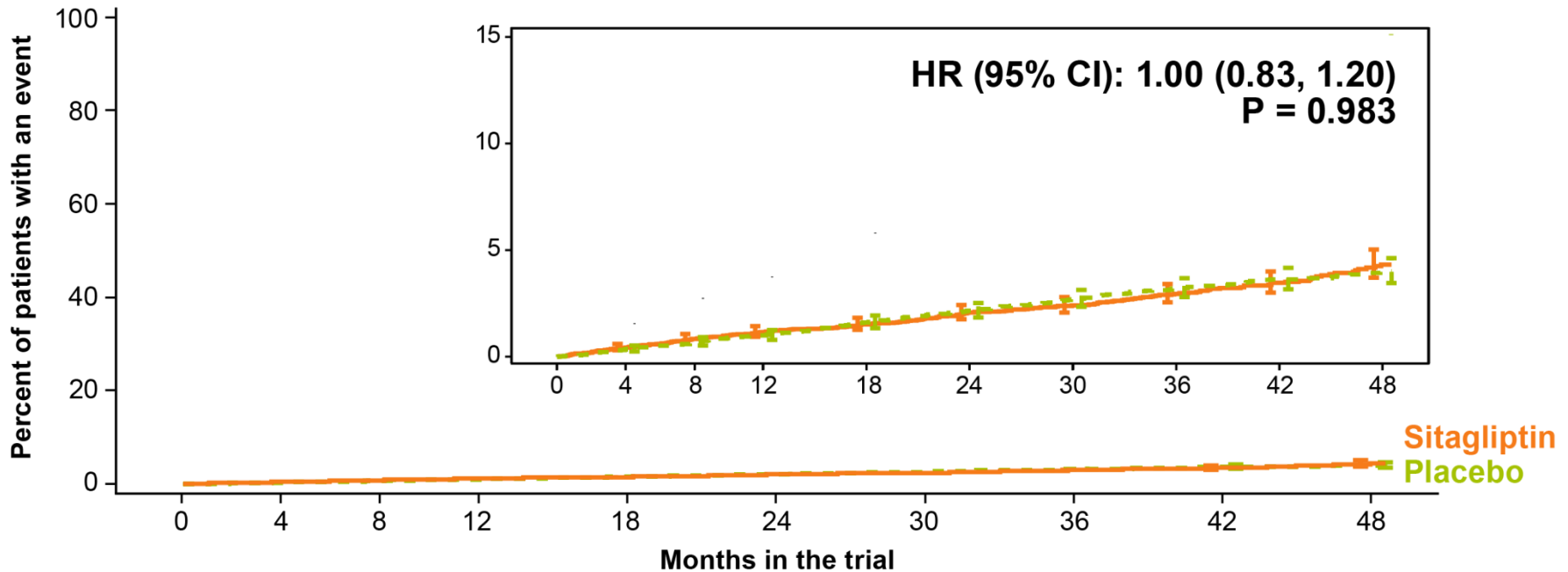
Patients at risk:

Sitagliptin	7,257	6,857	6,519	6,275	5,931	5,616	3,919	2,896	1,748	1,028
Placebo	7,266	6,846	6,449	6,165	5,803	5,421	3,780	2,743	1,690	1,005

* CV death, nonfatal MI, nonfatal stroke, hospitalization for unstable angina

Hospitalization for Heart Failure*

ITT Analysis



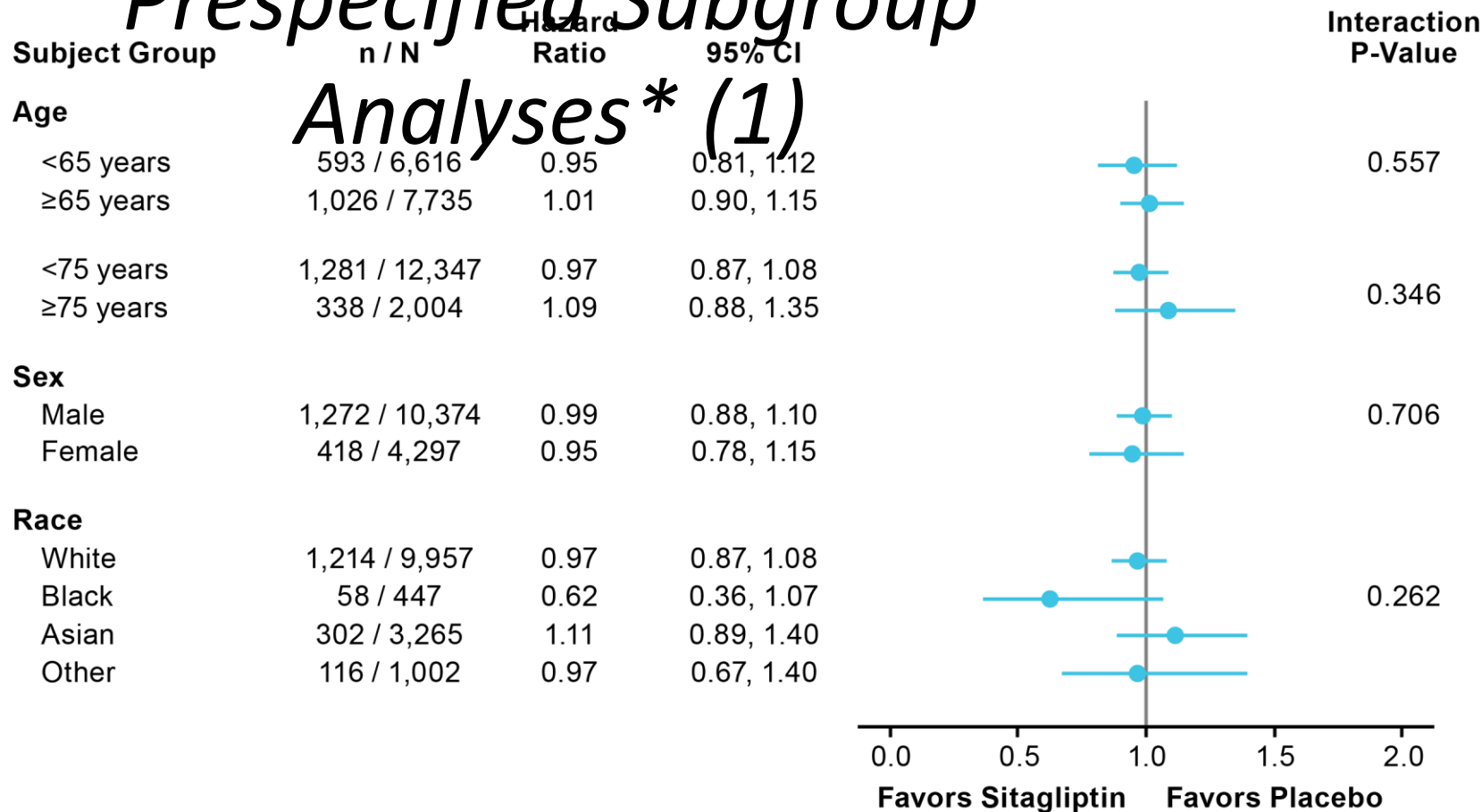
Patients at risk:

Sitagliptin	7,332	7,189	7,036	6,917	6,780	6,619	4,728	3,515	2,175	1,324
Placebo	7,339	7,204	7,025	6,903	6,712	6,549	4,599	3,443	2,131	1,315

* Adjusted for history of heart failure at baseline

Primary Composite Cardiovascular Outcome

Prespecified Subgroup Analyses* (1)



* ITT Population

Remember, there ARE even worse jobs than trying to hit QOF targets

