

Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus Pathogenesis and Management

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Definition

Diabetes mellitus

A chronic disorder characterized by a **deficiency of insulin secretion and/or insulin effect**

1. Which causes **hyperglycemia**
2. Disturbances of **carbohydrate, fat and protein metabolism**
3. Constellation of chronic complications .

The major forms of diabetes

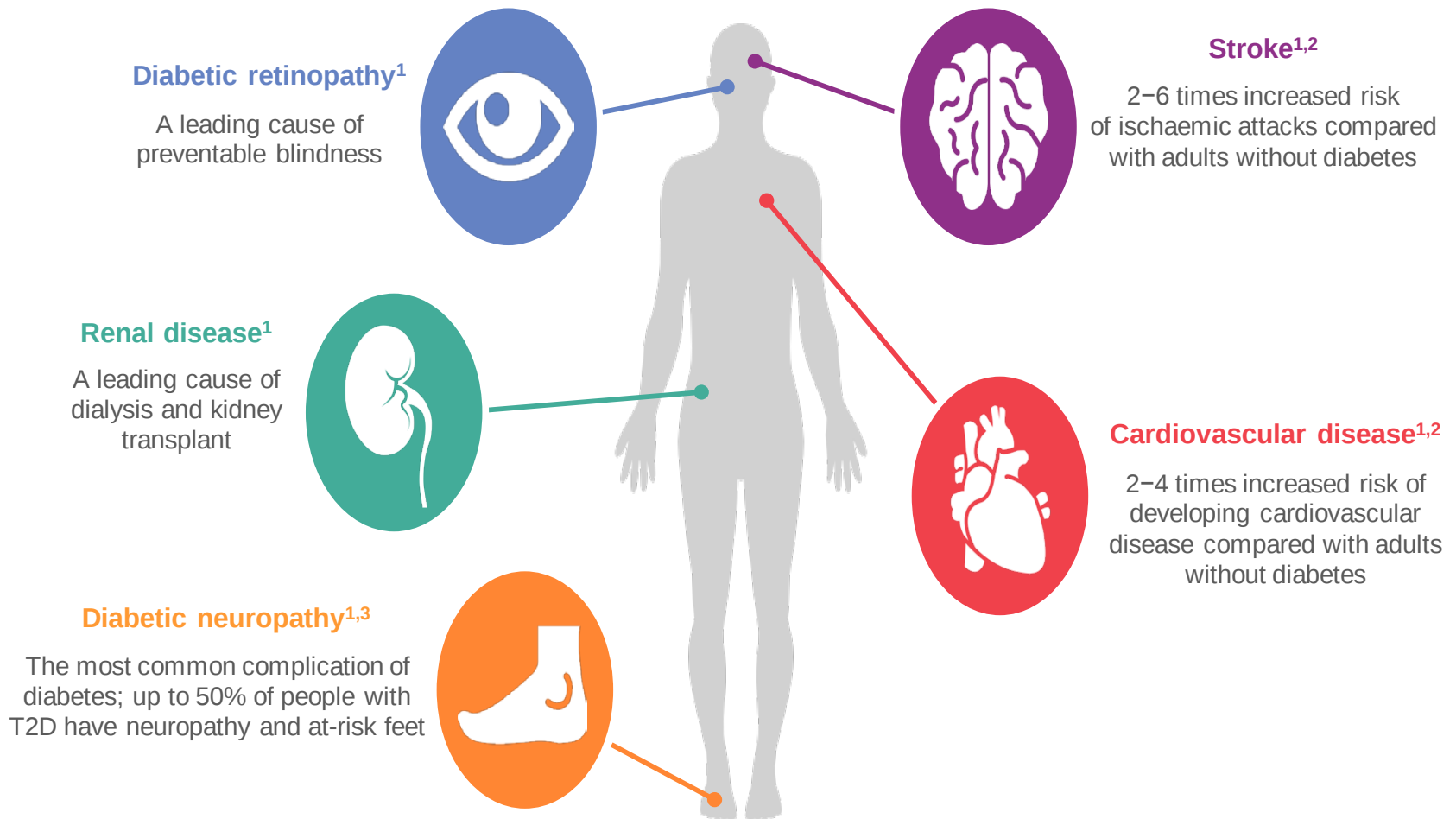
Type 1

Type 2

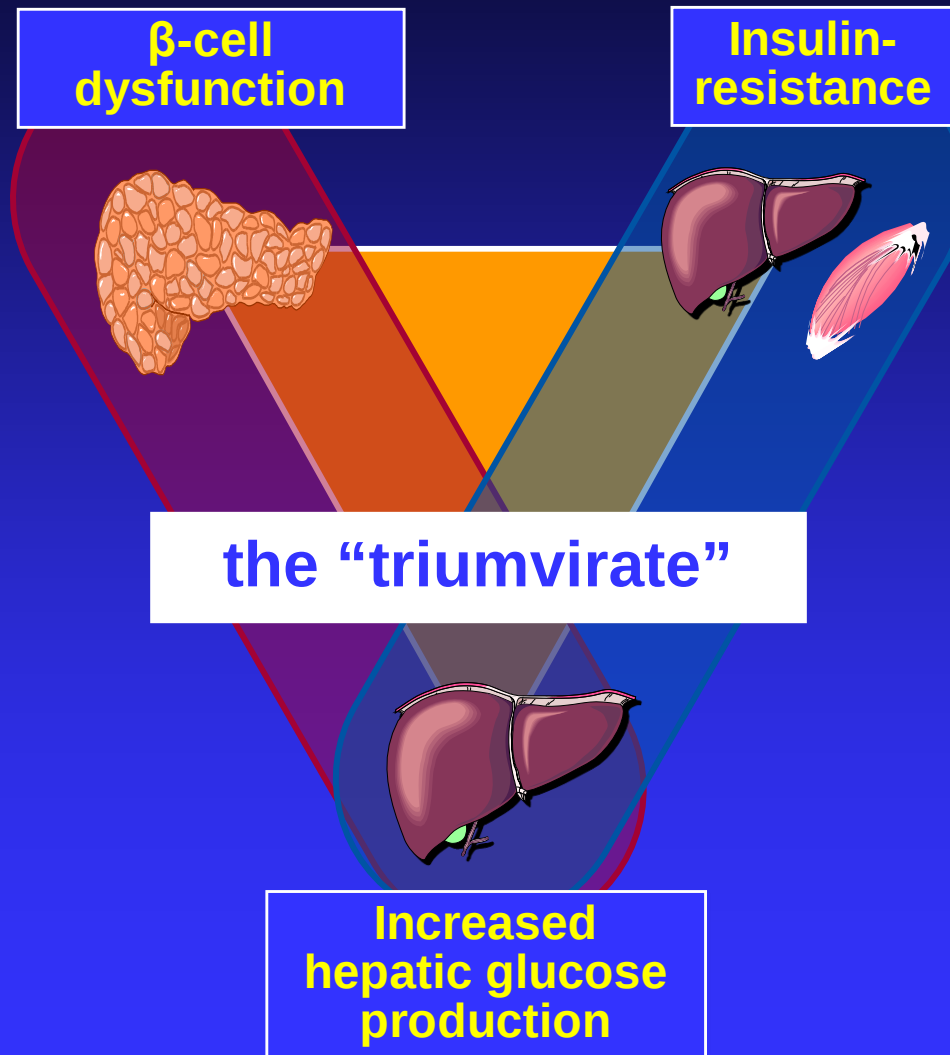
**Other
specific types**

**Gestational
diabetes
mellitus (GDM)**

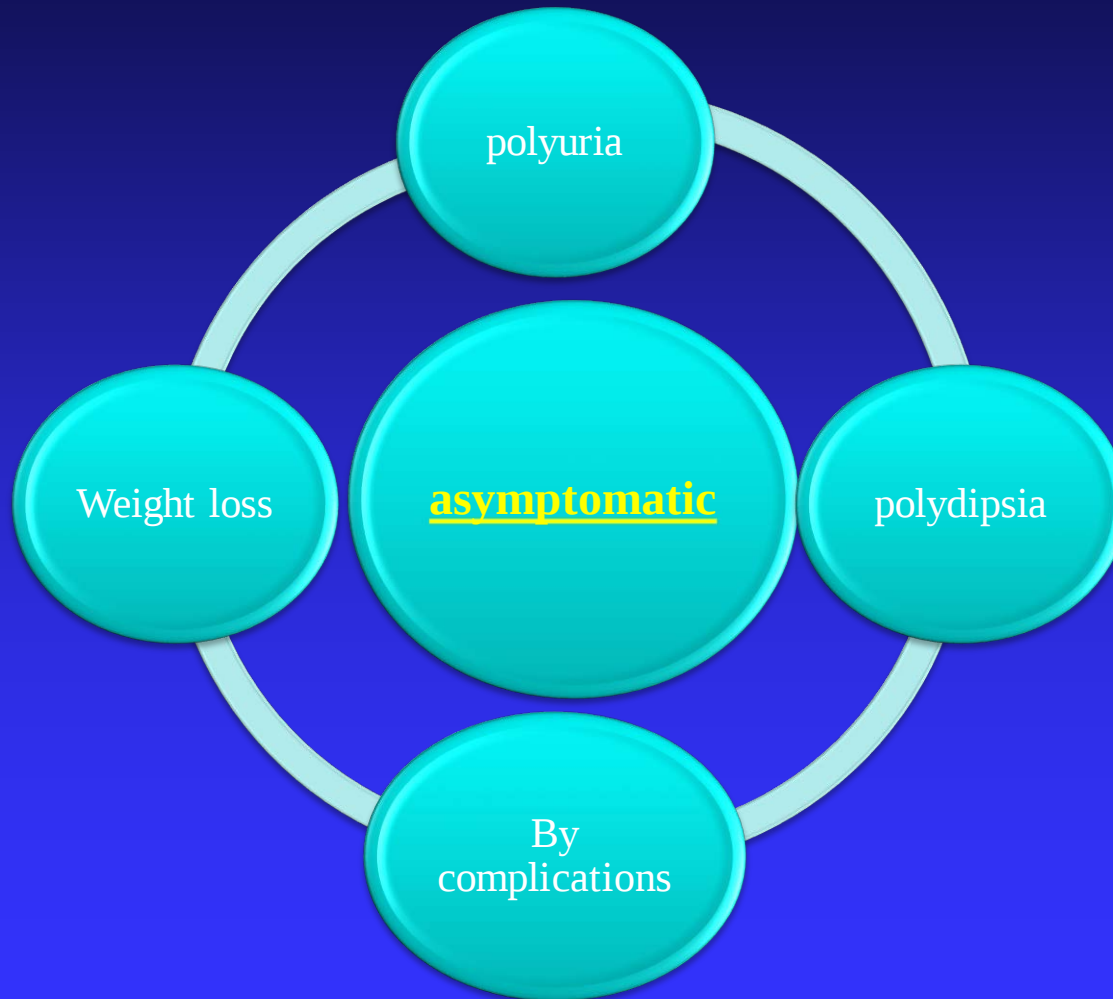
T2D is a complex metabolic disease, with vascular complications affecting multiple organ systems



The 3 main pathophysiological defects of Type 2 diabetes



symptoms



Symptoms of marked hyperglycemia

- Polyuria, polydipsia
- Weight loss, sometimes with polyphagia
- Blurred vision.
- Impairment of growth
- Susceptibility to certain infections may also accompany chronic hyperglycemia.

Diagnostic tests for diabetes

Criteria for the Diagnosis of Diabetes

A1C $\geq 6.5\%$

OR

Fasting plasma glucose (FPG)
 ≥ 126 mg/dl (7.0 mmol/l)

OR

Two-hour plasma glucose ≥ 200 mg/dl (11.1 mmol/l) during an OGTT

OR

A random plasma glucose ≥ 200 mg/dl (11.1 mmol/l)

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In a patient with classic symptoms of hyperglycemia or hyperglycemic crisis,
a random plasma glucose ≥ 200 mg/dl (11.1 mmol/l)

Prediabetes: IFG, IGT, Increased A1C

Categories of increased risk for diabetes (Prediabetes)*

FPG 100-125 mg/dl (5.6-6.9 mmol/l): IFG

or

2-h plasma glucose in the 75-g OGTT
140-199 mg/dl (7.8-11.0 mmol/l): IGT

or

A1C 5.7-6.4%

*For all three tests, risk is continuous, extending below the lower limit of a range and becoming disproportionately greater at higher ends of the range.

Diagnostic Criteria Associated with Glucose Abnormalities

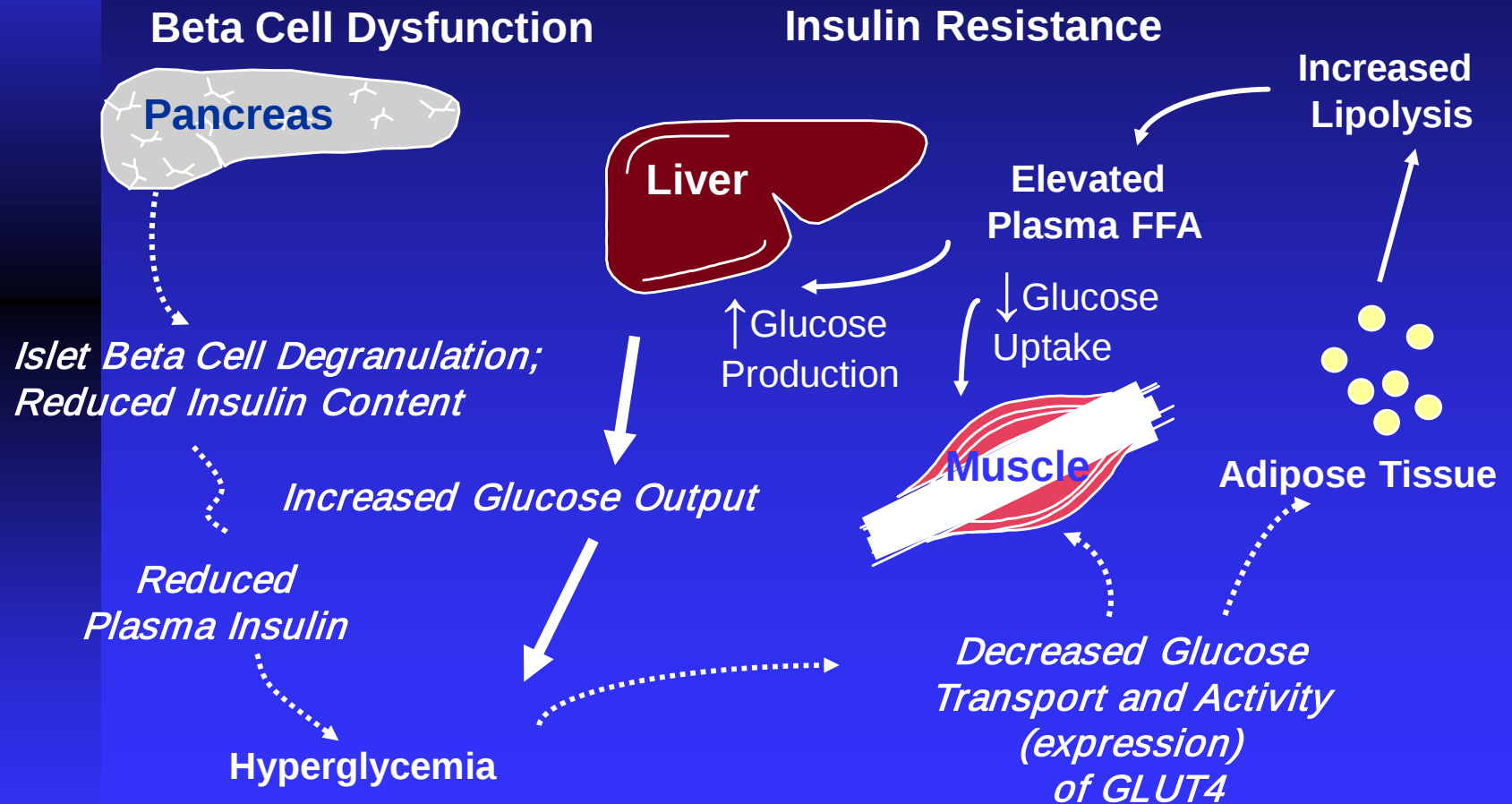
FPG		2-Hour PG on OGTT	
	Diabetes Mellitus		Diabetes Mellitus
126 mg/dL		200 mg/dL	11.1 mmol/L
	Prediabetes		Impaired Glucose Tolerance
100 mg/dL		140 mg/dL	7.8 mmol/L
	Normal		Normal

TYPE 2 DM

Central to the development of type 2 DM are:

1. Insulin resistance
2. Abnormal insulin secretion.

Beta Cell Dysfunction and Insulin Resistance Produce Hyperglycemia in Type 2 Diabetes



Genetic Considerations

Although controversy remains, most studies support the view that insulin resistance precedes insulin secretory defects

Type 2 DM has a strong genetic component.

disease is polygenic and multifactorial.



~90% of people with type
2 diabetes are overweight
or obese

Genetic Considerations

Genes that predispose to type 2 DM are incompletely identified

TCF7 L2

Most prominent is a variant of the transcription factor 7-like 2 gene that has been associated with type 2 diabetes

in addition to **genetic susceptibility**, **environmental factors** (such as obesity, nutrition, and physical activity) modulate the phenotype.

Genetic Considerations

Genetic polymorphisms associated with type 2 diabetes found in the genes encoding

Peroxisome proliferators-activated receptor- γ

K channel in β cells

zinc transporter in β cells

IRS

calpain 10

The interaction between genetics and the environment. “The Pima Indian experience”



Pima Indian from Mexico



Prevalence of diabetes:
11% (W) and 6% (M)



Pima Indian from Arizona



Prevalence of diabetes:
37% (W) and 54% (M)

Genetic Considerations

The concordance of type 2 DM in identical twins is between 70 and 90%.

Individuals with a parent with type 2 DM have an increased risk of diabetes

If both parents have type 2 DM, the risk in offspring may reach 40%.

Pathophysiology

Type 2 DM is characterized by

Impaired insulin secretion

Peripheral insulin resistance

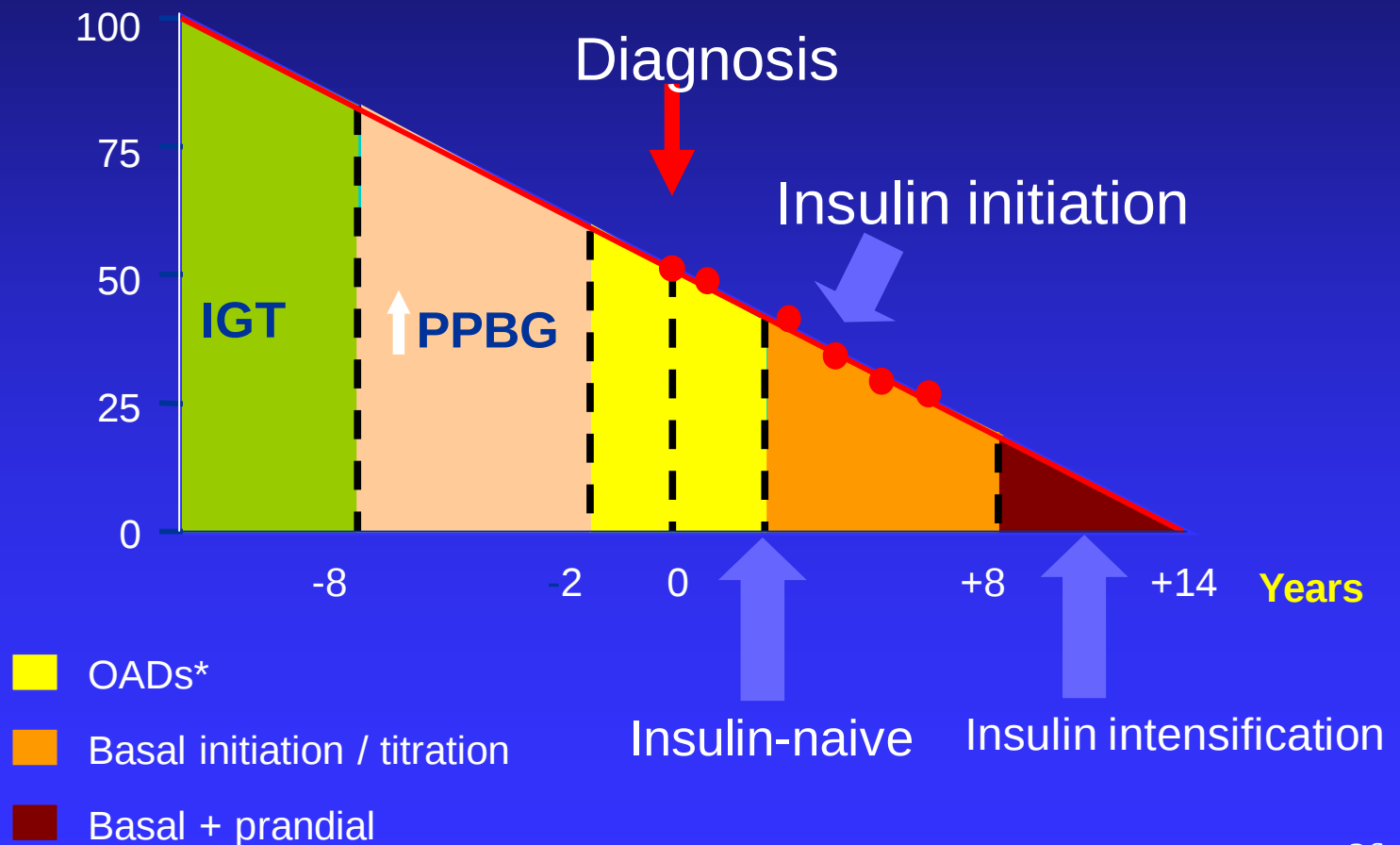
Excessive hepatic glucose production.

Abnormal fat metabolism

Obesity, particularly visceral or central (as evidenced by the hip-waist ratio), is very common in type 2 DM

T2DM is a progressive disease with β -cell function decrease over time

Insulin secretion (%) in T2DM patients



Role of Incretin hormones in the pathogenesis of type 2 diabetes

What are incretins?

- Hormones produced by GIT in response to incoming nutrients, and have important actions that contribute to glucose homeostasis.

Two hormones:

- Glucose-dependent insulintropic polypeptide (GIP)
- Glucagon-like peptide-1 (GLP-1).

Incretin

Incretins are released from neuroendocrine cells of **GI tract** following **food ingestion** and amplify glucose-stimulated insulin secretion and suppress glucagon secretion.

Glucagon-like peptide 1 (GLP-1), the most potent incretin, is released from L cells in the small intestine and stimulates insulin secretion only when blood glucose is above fasting

Incretin analogues, such as **exenatide**, are being used to enhance endogenous insulin secretion

Glucagon-like peptide-1 (GLP-1)

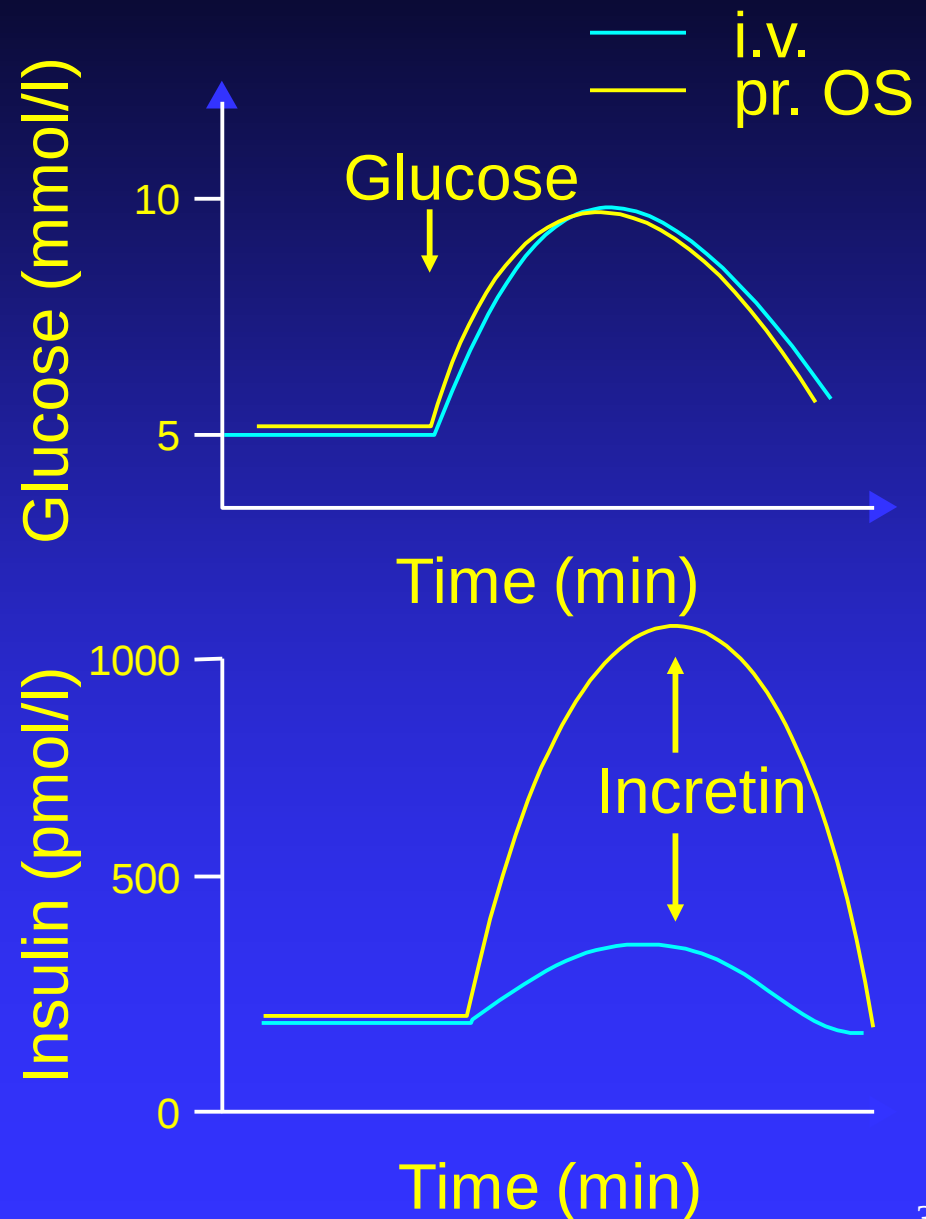
- 30-amino acid peptide secreted in response to the oral ingestion of nutrients by L cells, primarily in the ileum and colon.

There are GLP-1 receptors in:

- islet cells
 - CNS
 - and other places.
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- GLP-1 is metabolized by the enzyme **dipeptidyl peptidase-IV (DPP-IV)** .

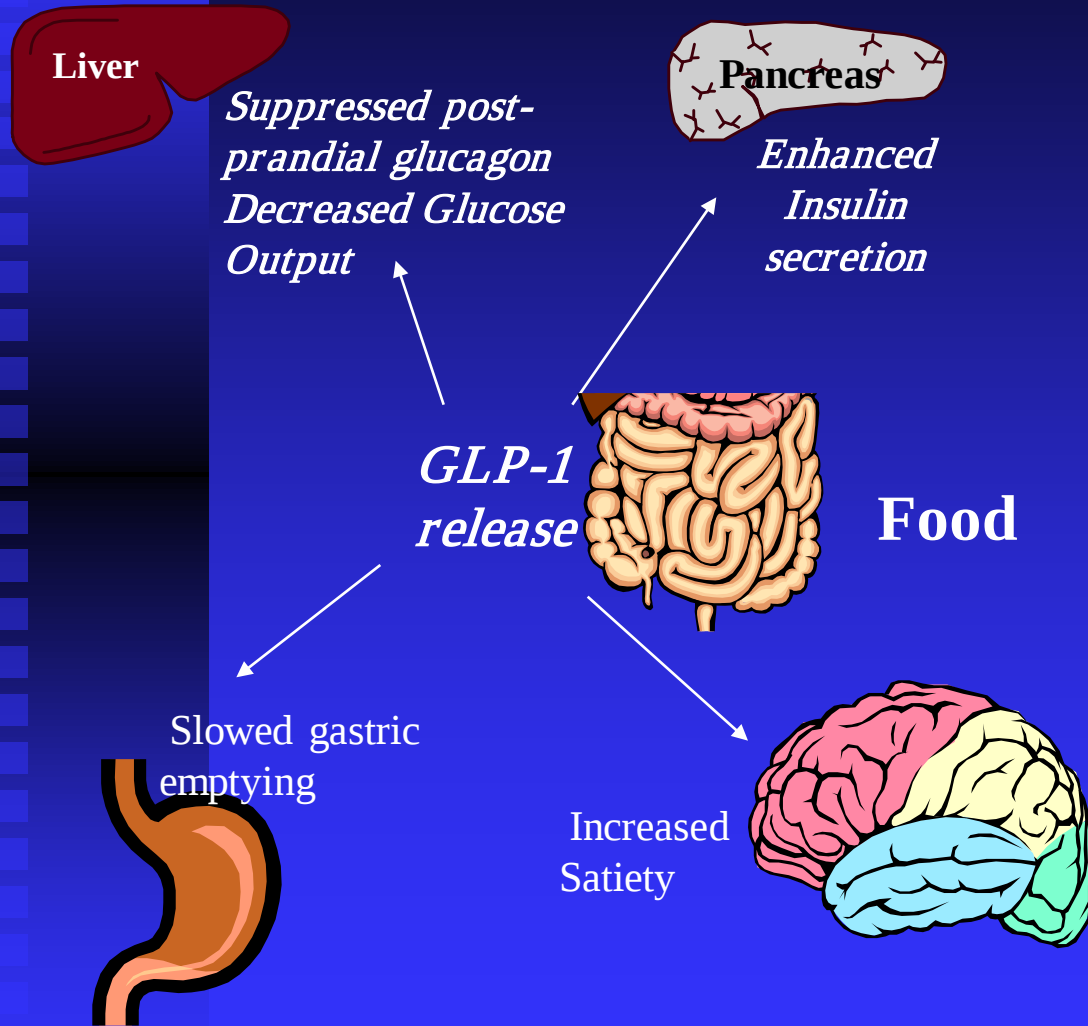
The incretin effect

- Up to 70% of post-glucose insulin secretion is due to the effects of incretins
- The incretin effect is due to gut hormones – the incretin hormones



Diabetes is a Multi-System Disorder:

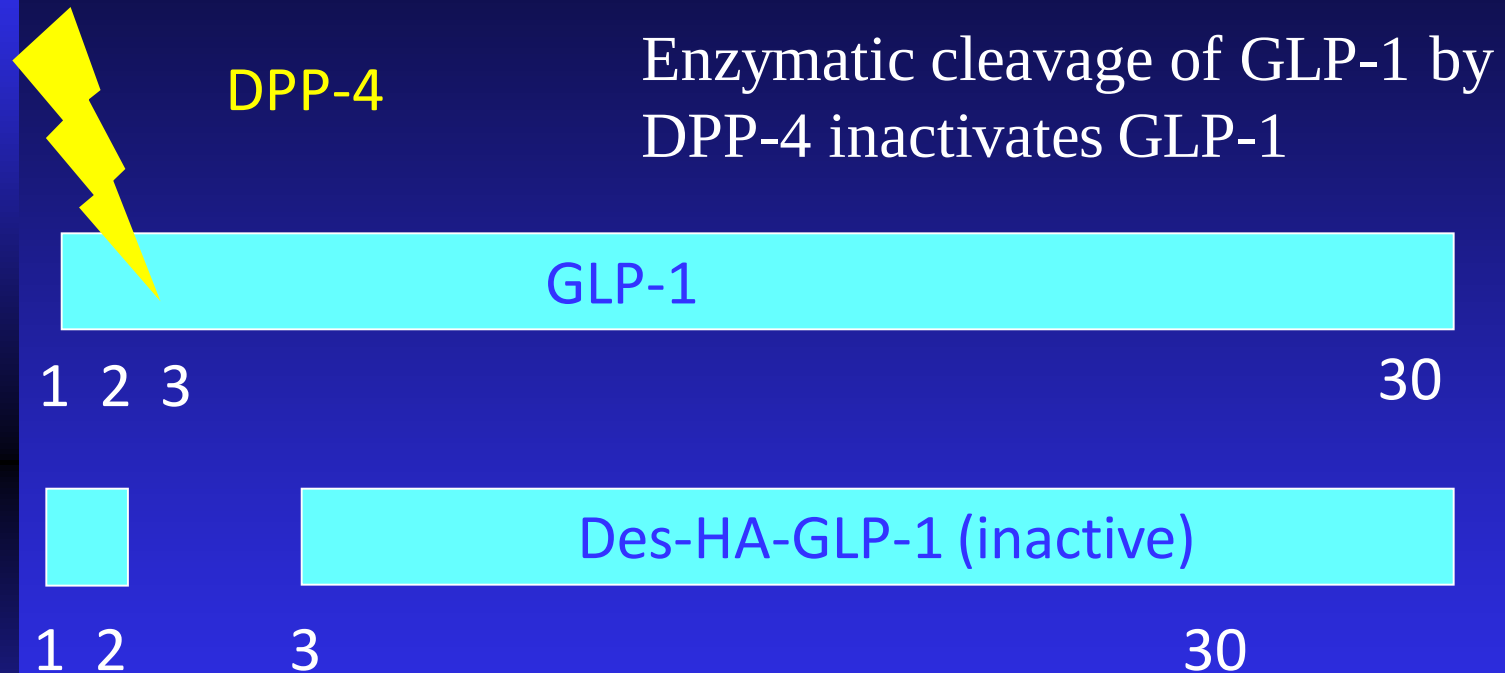
“The Incretin Effect”



GLP-1 and other gut hormones released in response to food:
“entero-insular axis”

This ability is reduced or lost in type 2 diabetes

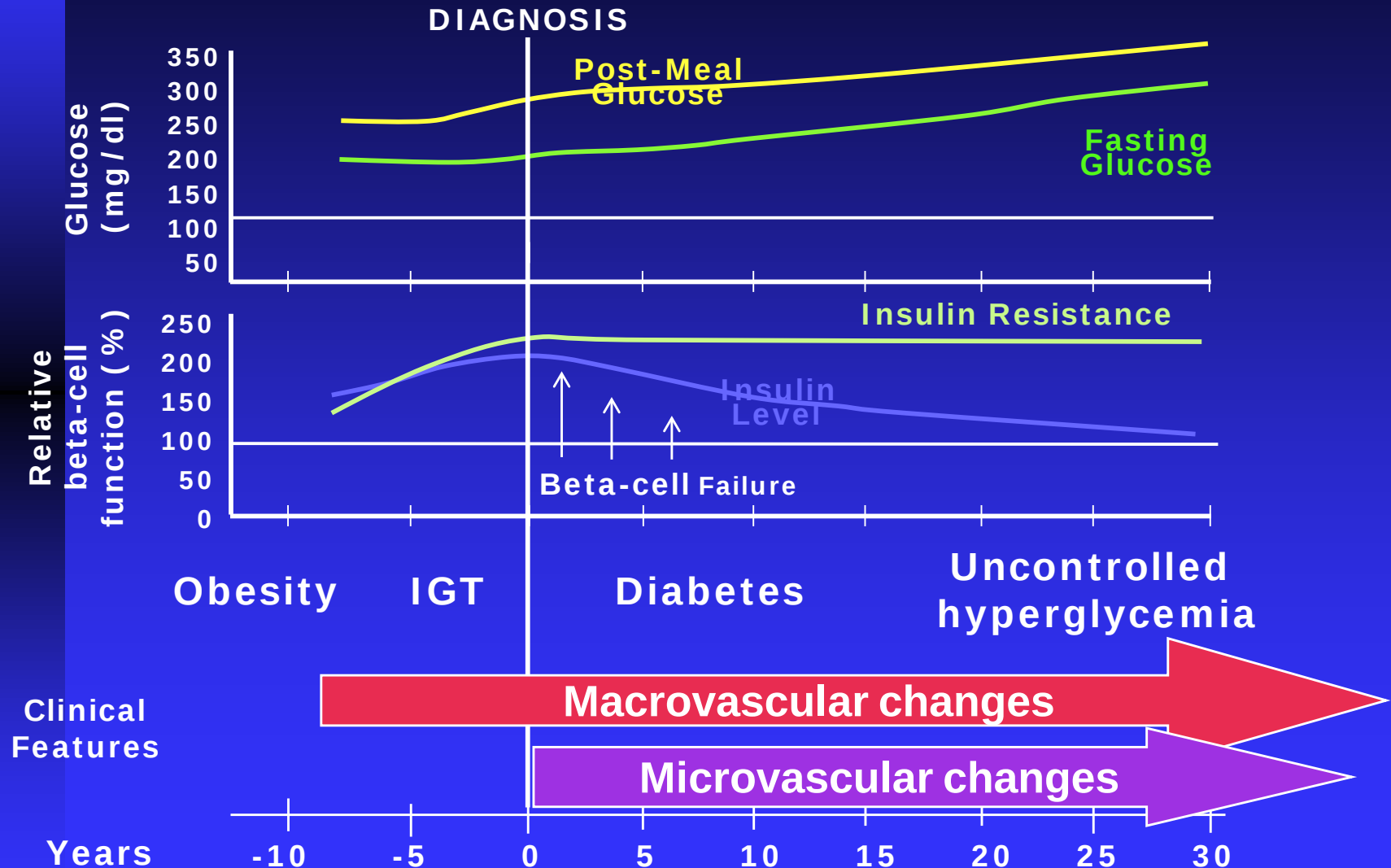
Degradation of GLP-1



Two possible solutions to utilize GLP-1 action therapeutically:

- 1) Long-acting DPP-4-resistant GLP-1 analogues / incretin mimetics
- 2) DPP-4 inhibitors / incretin enhancers

Natural Progression of Type 2 Diabetes



Metabolic Abnormalities

This is also responsible for dyslipidemia found in type 2 DM:

- Elevated triglycerides

- Reduced HDL

- Increased small dense LDL particles

Metabolic Abnormalities

Glucose toxicity: Chronic hyperglycemia paradoxically impairs islet function and leads to a worsening of hyperglycemia.

Improvement in glycemic control is often associated with improved islet function.

Lipotoxicity: elevation of free fatty acid levels also worsens islet function.

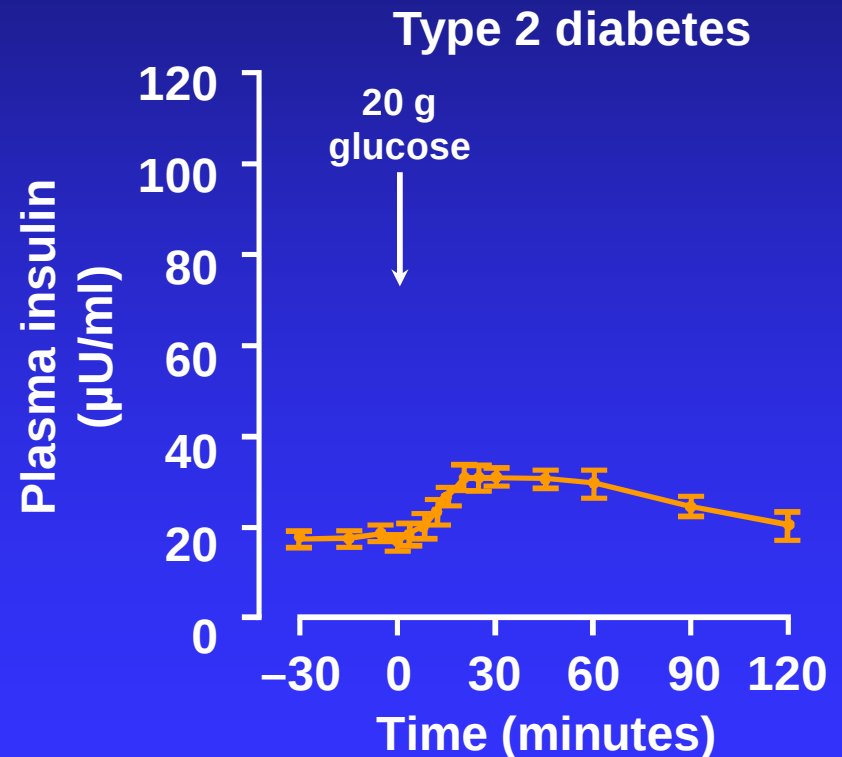
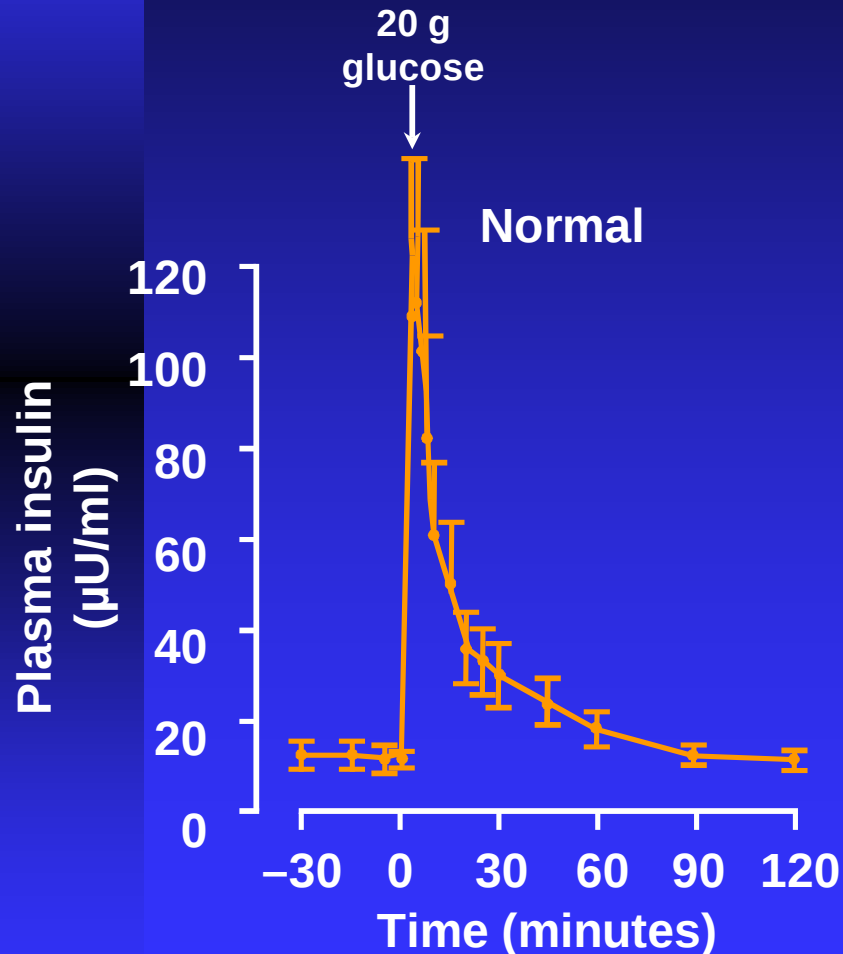
Metabolic Abnormalities

Impaired Insulin Secretion

In type 2 DM, insulin secretion initially increases in response to insulin resistance in order to maintain normal glucose tolerance.

Initially, the insulin secretory defect is mild and selectively involves glucose-stimulated insulin secretion.

Loss of first-phase insulin response



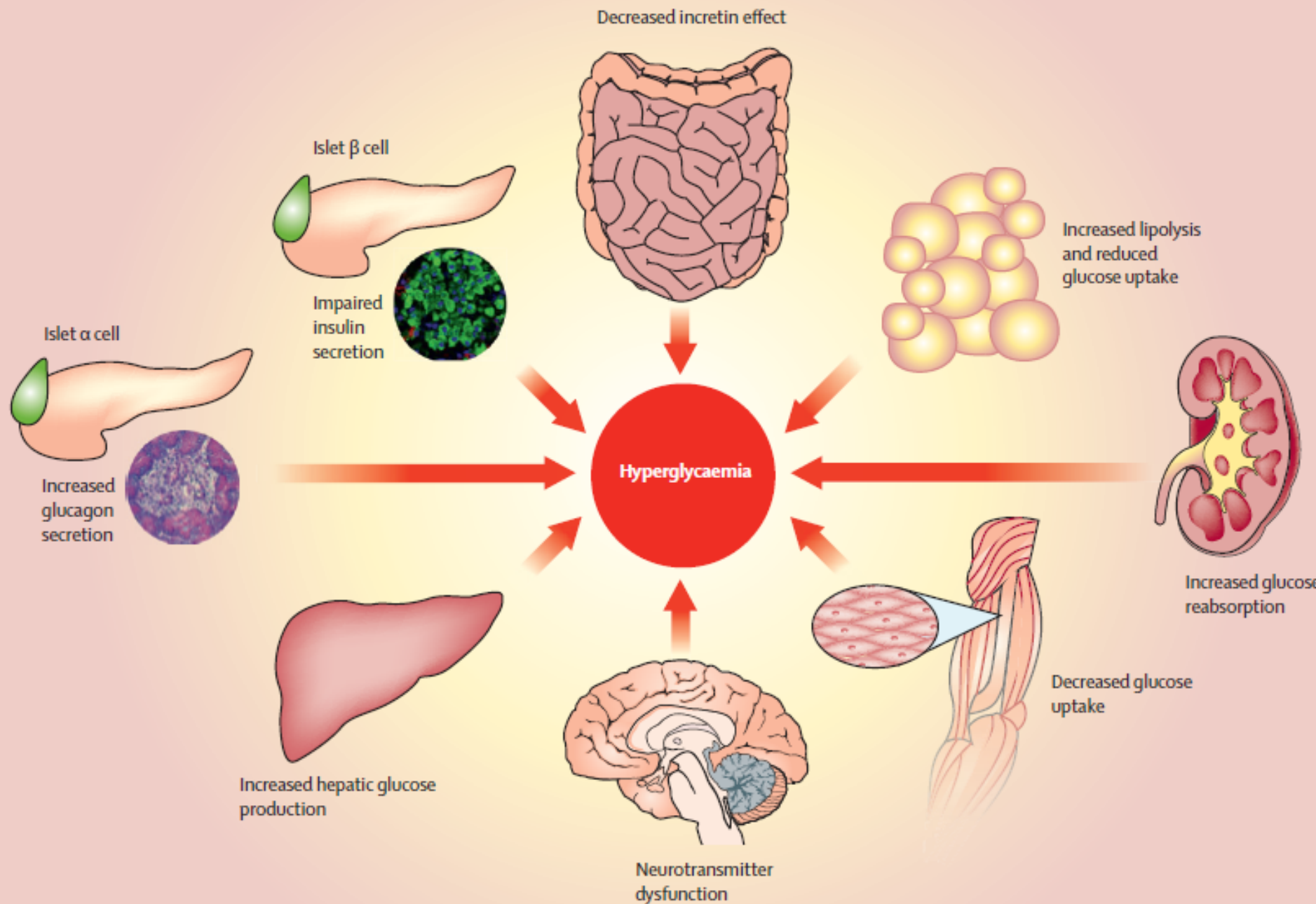


Figure 1: Typical pathogenic features of hyperglycaemia in type 2 diabetes
Adapted from DeFronzo⁸ with permission.

Features of Type 2 Diabetes

- Most common after age 40
- Abdominal obesity present in 90%
- Insulin resistance/hyperinsulinemia
- Ketosis resistance (not always)
- Hypertension common
- High VLDL, low HDL cholesterol
- Accelerated atherosclerosis
- Increased risk in many ethnic groups

LONG-TERM TREATMENT

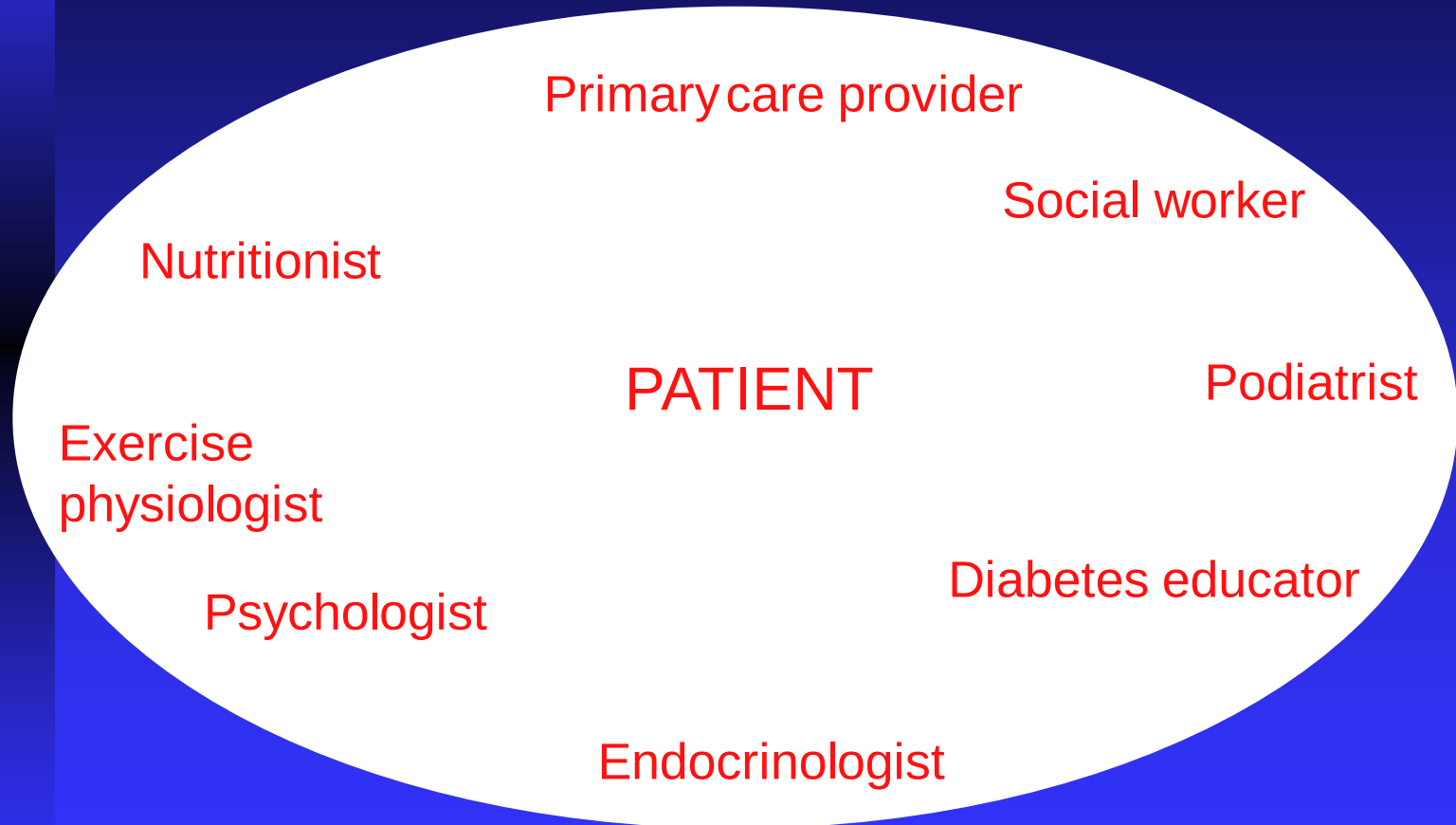
OVERALL PRINCIPLES

- The goals of therapy for type 1 or type 2 DM are to:
 - (1) Eliminate symptoms related to hyperglycemia
 - (2) Reduce or eliminate the long-term microvascular and macrovascular complications of DM
 - (3) Allow the patient to achieve as normal a life-style as possible.

Long-Term Treatment

- The care of either type 1 or type 2 DM requires a multidisciplinary team.
- Central to the success of this team are the patient's participation

Diabetes Team





Patient-Centered Care: The Team Approach

- Partner with the patient: do not scold or scare!
- A mutually respectful and trusting patient-provider relationship
- Use and collaborate with diabetes education programs: team management!
- “Refresher Courses” are often necessary
- Frequent communication is key



education



monitoring

Date	Time	Fasting	Pre-meal	Post-meal	Notes
10/10/11	7:00	100	120	140	Medication: 10 units of insulin
10/11/11	7:00	110	130	150	Medication: 10 units of insulin
10/12/11	7:00	120	140	160	Medication: 10 units of insulin
10/13/11	7:00	130	150	170	Medication: 10 units of insulin
10/14/11	7:00	140	160	180	Medication: 10 units of insulin
10/15/11	7:00	150	170	190	Medication: 10 units of insulin
10/16/11	7:00	160	180	200	Medication: 10 units of insulin
10/17/11	7:00	170	190	210	Medication: 10 units of insulin
10/18/11	7:00	180	200	220	Medication: 10 units of insulin
10/19/11	7:00	190	210	230	Medication: 10 units of insulin
10/20/11	7:00	200	220	240	Medication: 10 units of insulin

communication



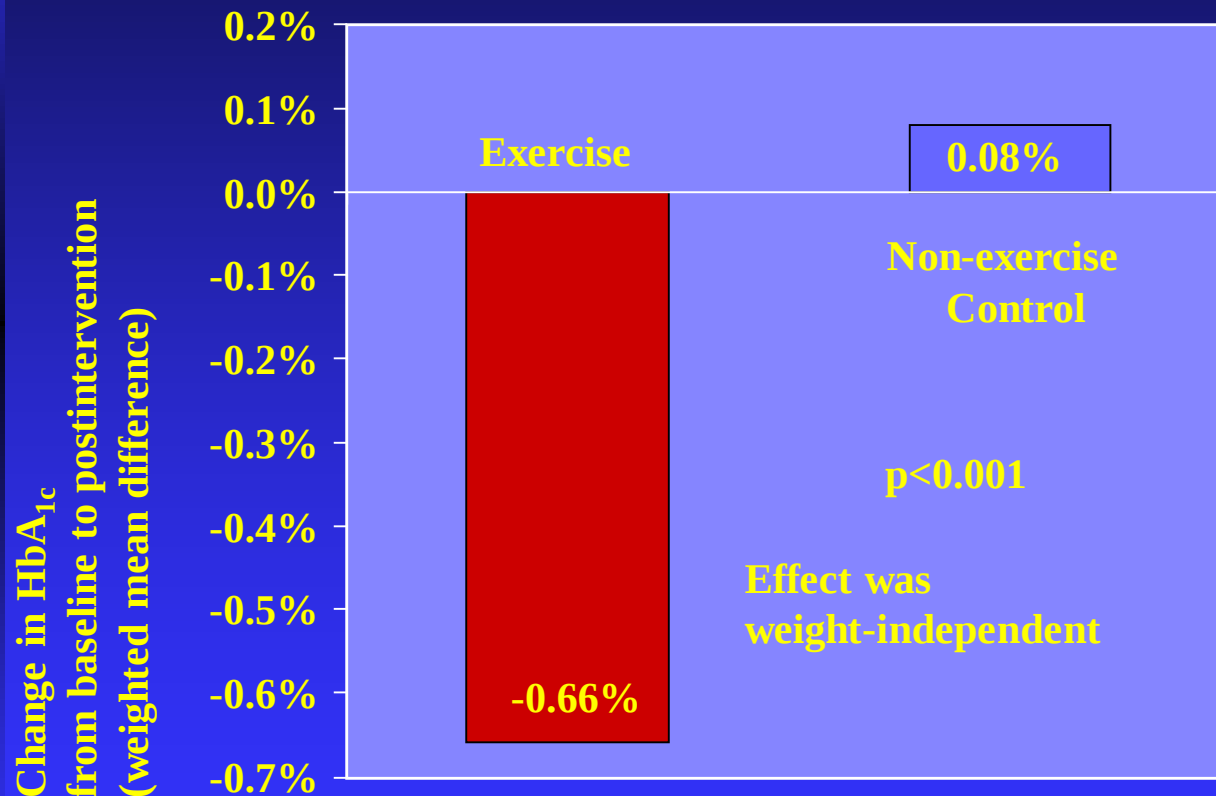
early insulin



multifactorial therapy



Pooled Meta-Analysis of 14 Exercise Trials: Exercise Significantly Reduces HbA_{1c}



Nutrition

- *Medical nutrition therapy* is a term to describe the optimal coordination of caloric intake with other aspects of diabetes therapy (insulin, exercise, weight loss).
- Historically, nutrition has imposed restrictive, complicated regimens on the patient.

Nutrition

Modern MNT now includes:

- Foods with sucrose
- Modify other risk factors such as hyperlipidemia and hypertension

Rather than focusing exclusively on weight loss in type 2 DM.

Nutrition

The goals of MNT in type 2 DM

- Address the greatly increased prevalence of CV risk factors (hypertension, dyslipidemia, obesity)
- The majority of are obese, and weight loss is strongly encouraged.

Nutrition

Therefore MNT for type 2 should emphasize

- Modest caloric reduction
- Increased physical activity
- Reduction of hyperlipidemia and hypertension
- Increased consumption of soluble, dietary fiber may improve glycemic control in type 2 DM.

MNT Goals (cont)

- Address individual nutritional needs
- Taking into consideration personal and cultural preferences and
- lifestyle
- Respecting the individual's wishes and willingness to change.

Physical Activity: Recommendations

Children and adolescents with diabetes or prediabetes:

1-Should engage in:

a) 60 min/day or more

b) Moderate- or vigorous-intensity

c) Aerobic activity

2-with vigorous **muscle-strengthening** and bone-strengthening activities at least 3 days/week.

Physical Activity: Recommendations

Most adults with type 1 and type 2 diabetes:

- Should engage in 150 min or more of moderate-to-vigorous intensity aerobic activity per week, spread over at least 3 days/week, with no more than 2 consecutive days without activity.
- Shorter durations (75 min/week) of vigorous-intensity or interval training may be sufficient for younger and more physically fit individuals.

Recommendations: Physical Activity (2)

- Adults with type 1 and type 2 diabetes should engage in 2-3 sessions/week of **resistance exercise** on nonconsecutive days.
- All adults, and particularly those with type 2 diabetes, should decrease the amount of time spent in daily sedentary behavior.
- Prolonged sitting should be interrupted every 30 min for blood glucose benefits, particularly in adults with type 2 diabetes.
- **Flexibility training and balance training are recommended 2–3 times/week** for older adults with diabetes. Yoga and tai chi may be included based on individual preferences to increase flexibility, muscular strength, and balance.

Exercise

- To avoid exercise-related hyper- or hypoglycemia, individuals with type 1 DM should:
 - (1) Monitor blood glucose before, during, and after exercise
 - (2) Delay exercise if blood glucose is >250 <100 mg/dL, or if ketones are present

Exercise

- (3) Eat a meal 1 to 3 h before exercise and take supplemental carbohydrate at least every 30 min during prolonged exercise
- (4) Decrease insulin before exercise and inject insulin into a nonexercising area

Exercise

- Untreated **proliferative retinopathy** is a relative contraindication to vigorous exercise, since this may lead to vitreous hemorrhage or retinal detachment.

Type 2 Diabetes: pharmacological treatment which medications

1. Metformin
2. Sulfonylureas/Glinides
3. α -glucosidase-inhibitors
4. DPP4-inhibitors
5. Pioglitazone
6. *SGLT2-inhibitors*
7. GLP1r-agonists
8. Insulins



Oral agents



injections

Insulin therapy

- Used to treat all patients with Type I diabetes
- 1/3 of patients with Type 2 diabetes
- Women with GDM
- DKA , NKHC
- Acute stress

Intensive Management

Insulin regimens usually include

- Multiple-component insulin regimens
- Multiple daily injections (MDI)
- Insulin infusion

Pump Technology



Intensive Management

- The benefits of intensive diabetes management and improved glycemic control include :
- Reduction in the **microvascular** complications
- Possible delay or reduction in the macrovascular complications

Intensive Management

- In **pregnancy** reduces fetal malformation and morbidity.
- Strongly encouraged in **newly diagnosed type 1** because it may prolong the period of C-peptide production, which may result in better glycemic control

Insulin preparations

Five different preparations are available

- Short-acting insulin: **regular**
- Rapid-acting insulin(analogues): **lispro, Aspart, Glulisine**
- Intermediate –acting insulin: **NPH or Lente**
- Long-acting insulin : **Ultralente**
- Basal insulin(analogues): **glargine, detemir,degludec**

The Basal/Bolus Insulin Concept

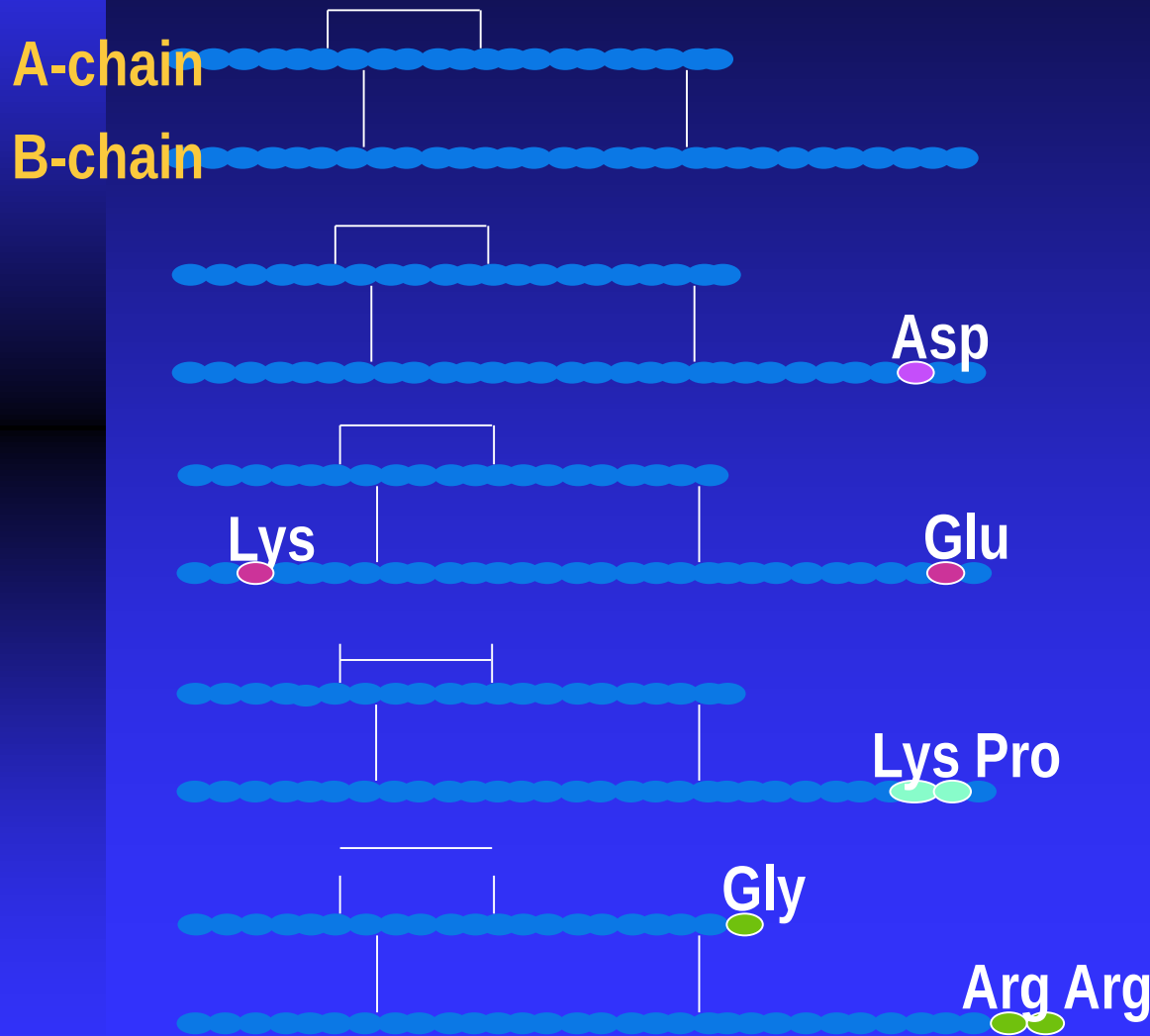
■ Basal Insulin

- ◆ Suppresses glucose production between meals and overnight
- ◆ Nearly constant levels
- ◆ 50% of daily needs

■ Bolus Insulin (mealtime or prandial)

- ◆ Limits hyperglycemia after meals
- ◆ Immediate rise and sharp peak at 1 hour
- ◆ 10% to 20% of daily requirement at each meal

Insulin Analogues



Human Insulin
Dimers and hexamers
in solution

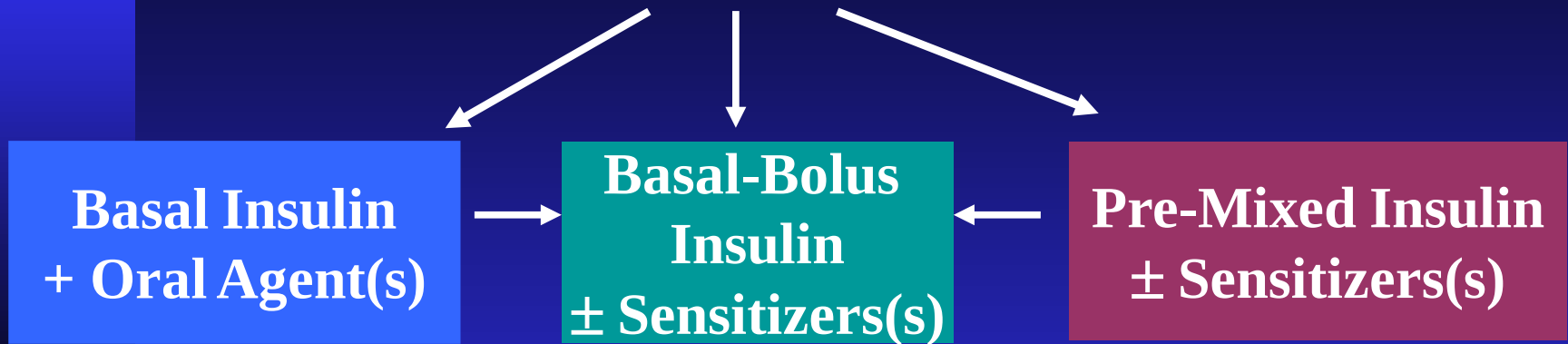
Aspart
Limited self-aggregation
Monomers in solution

Glulisine
Limited self-aggregation
Monomers in solution

Lispro
Limited self-aggregation
Monomers in solution

Glargine
Soluble at low pH
Precipitates at
neutral (subcutaneous) pH

Insulin Therapies



Mazze R et al. *Staged Diabetes Management: Prevention, Detection and Treatment of Diabetes in Adults Quick Guide*. 4th ed. Minneapolis, Minn: Matrex; 2005.

Insulin Glargine -analogue

- Is a long-acting biosynthetic human insulin that differs from normal insulin in that:
- Asparagine is replaced by glycine at amino acid 21
- Two arginine residues are added to the C-terminus of the B chain.
- Two forms : U100 and U 300

Insulin Glargine - analogue

Compared to NPH insulin

1. The onset of action is later
2. The duration of action is longer (~24 h)
3. There is no pronounced peak.
4. A lower incidence of hypoglycemia, especially at night, was reported

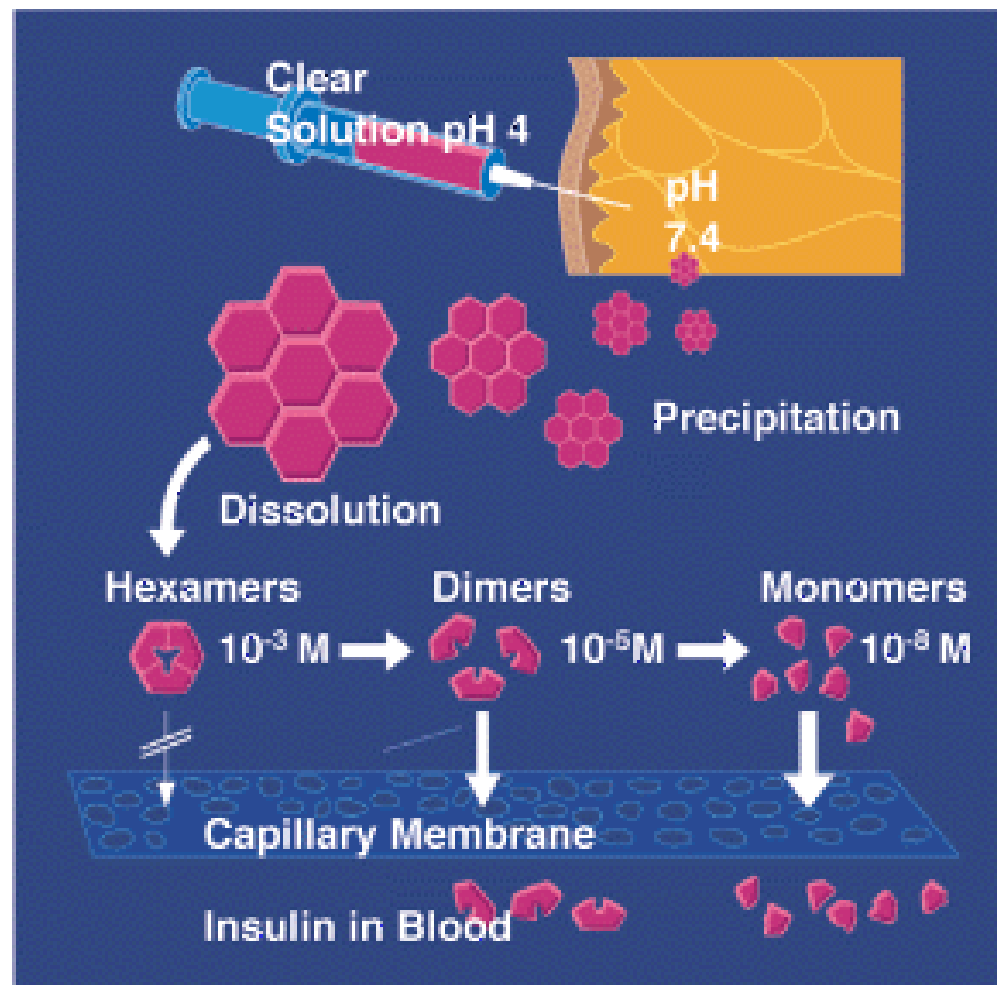
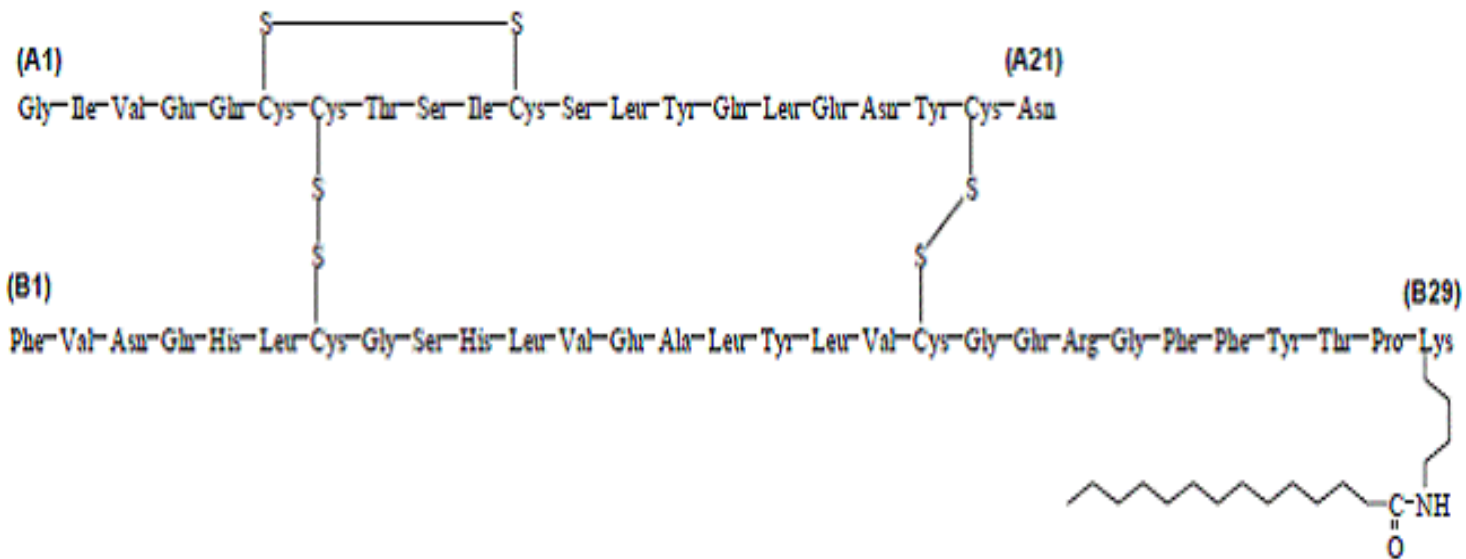


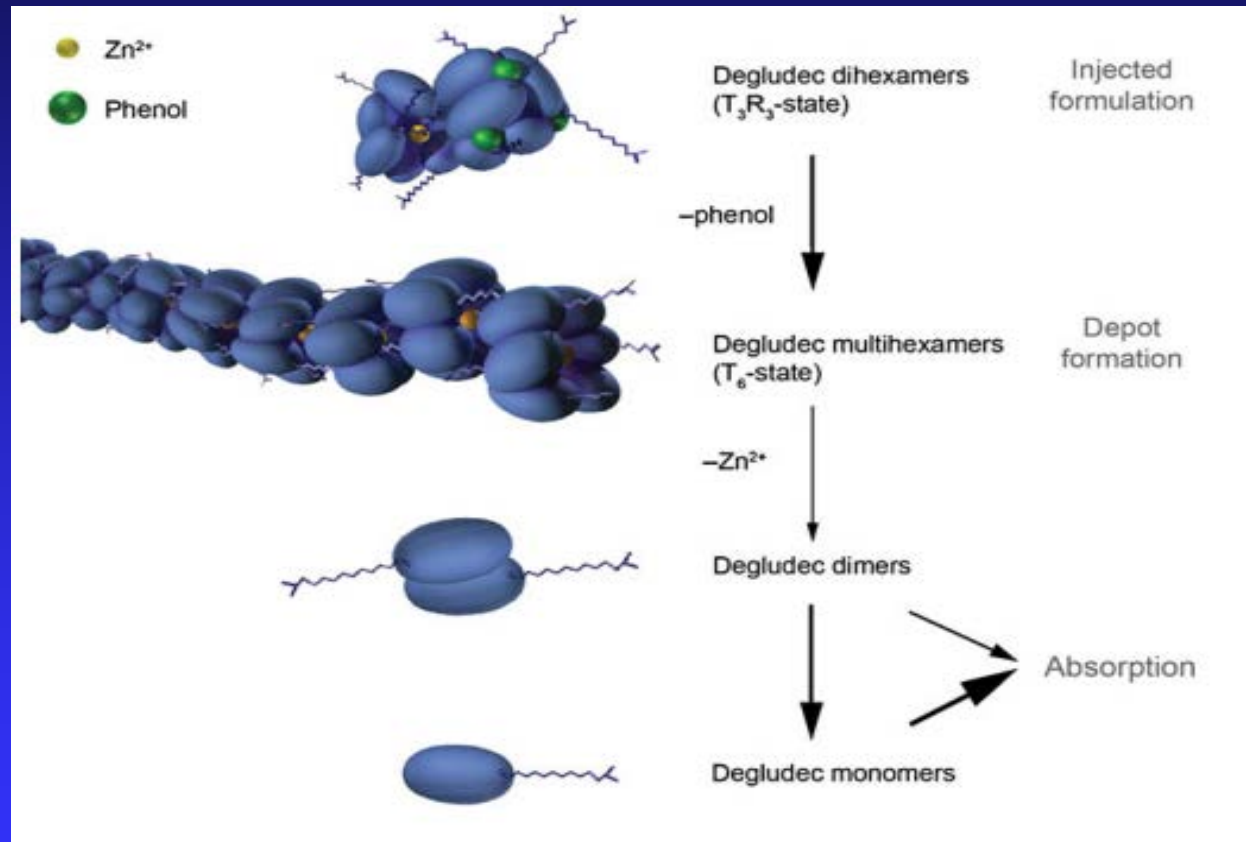
Figure 3. Mechanism of action of insulin glargine. Glargine, which has an acidic pH, is injected into subcutaneous space with normal pH, where it forms microprecipitates. Microprecipitates dissociate to hexamers, dimers, and finally, to monomers, which are absorbed across the capillaries.

Adapted from Kramer W. Exp Clin Endocrinol Diabetes 1999;107(Suppl 2): P42.

Insulin Determir



Insulin Degludec



Jonassen I, et al. Pharm Res 29:2104–2114, 2012

Insulin regimen

One commonly used regimen consists of **split-mixed**

Twice-daily injections of an intermediate insulin (NPH or lente) mixed with a short-acting insulin before the morning and evening meal .

Split-mixed

Such regimens usually prescribe

- $\frac{2}{3}$ of the total daily insulin in the morning (with $\frac{2}{3}$ as intermediate-acting and $\frac{1}{3}$ as short-acting)
- $\frac{1}{3}$ before the evening meal ($\frac{1}{2}$ given as intermediate-acting and $\frac{1}{2}$ as short-acting).

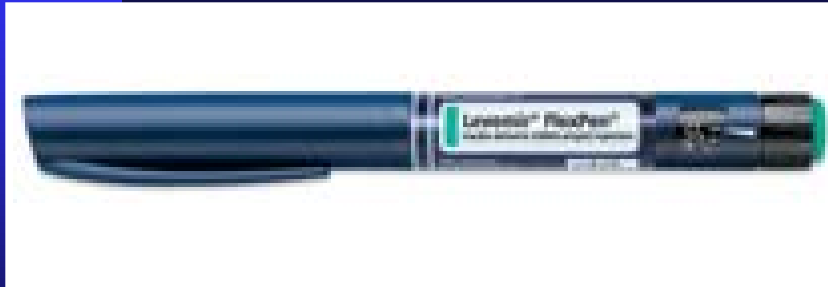
Multiple Daily Injections

- One regimen, consists of a basal insulin with NPH twice a day and preprandial lispro.

An alternative consists of:

- 1- Bedtime intermediate
- 2- small dose of intermediate at breakfast (20 to 30% of bedtime dose)
- 3- preprandial short-acting

Insulin Pens



- **More convenient** than traditional vial and syringe
- Repeatedly **more accurate** dosages
- Easier to use for those with visual or fine motor skills impairments
- **Less injection pain**



Basal -bolus

- Multiple-component insulin regimens refer to the combination of basal insulin; preprandial short-acting insulin; (basal –bolus)
- Changes in short-acting insulin doses to accommodate the results of :
 - Frequent SMBG
 - Food intake
 - physical activity.

Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus

- Pharmacologic approaches to the management of type 2 DM include both oral glucose-lowering agents and insulin
- Most physicians and patients prefer oral glucose-lowering agents as the initial choice.

Glucose-Lowering Agents

- Based on their mechanisms of action, oral glucose-lowering agents are subdivided:
- Increase insulin secretion
- Reduce glucose production or renal absorption.
- Increase insulin sensitivity .

The focus should be to intensify pharmacological treatment

Insulinotropic agents

Meglitinides

- Repaglinide
- Nateglinide



GLP-1 Analogs

- Exenatide
- Liraglutide



Pancreas



DPPIV-Inhibitors

- Sitagliptin
- Vildagliptin
- Saxagliptin
- Linagliptin

Pancreas



Insulin

Sulfonylurea

- Glibenclamide
- Gliclazide

Pancreas



Biguanides Metformin

Liver



GIT

Alpha glucosidase inhibitors (AGI)

- Acarbose
- Miglitol



Muscle



Adipose tissue



Liver

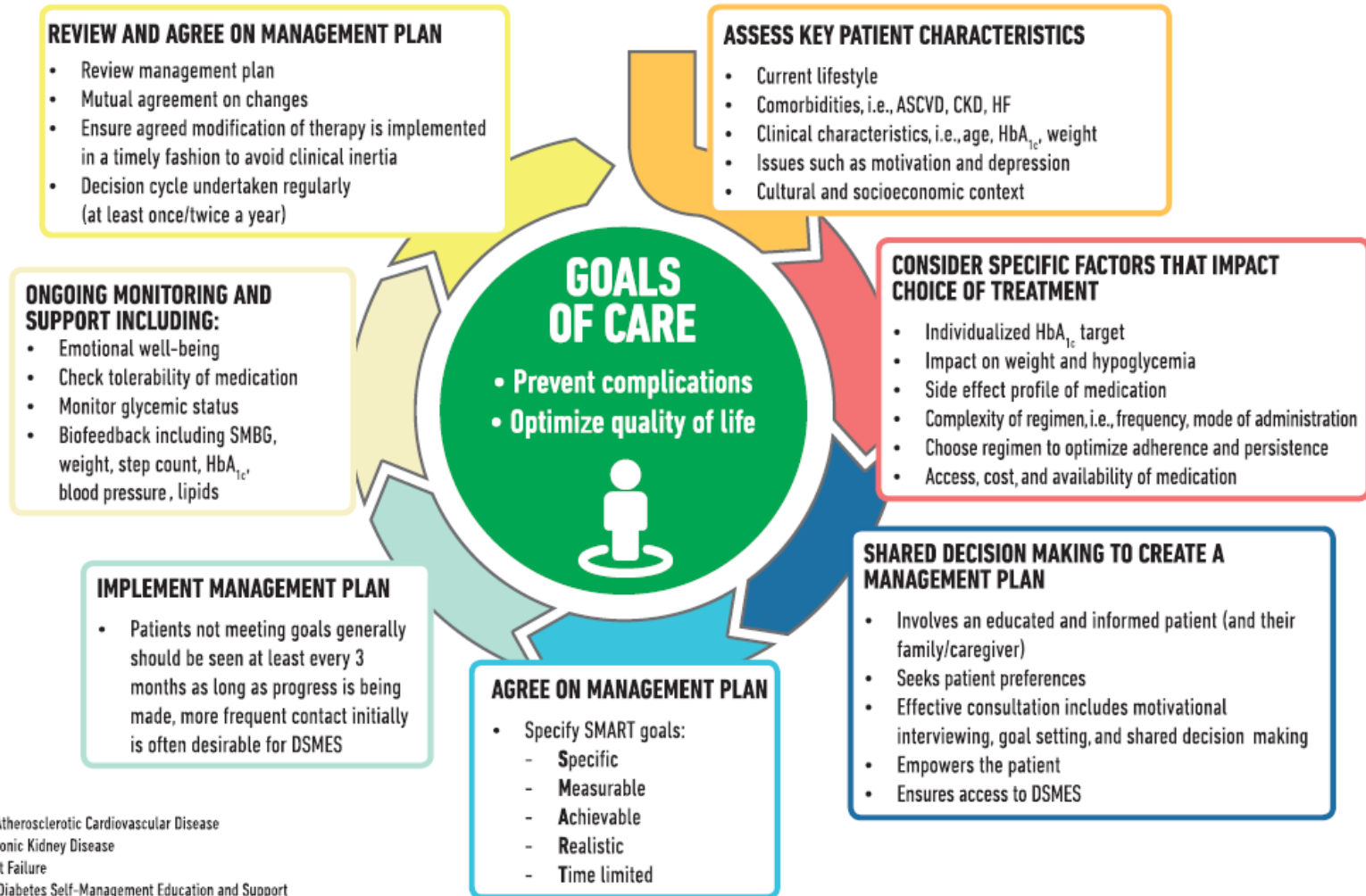
Thiazolidinediones

- Pioglitazone
- Rosiglitazone

Non-insulinotropic agents

Management of hyperglycemia in type 2 diabetes standards of care 2020

Goals of care



ASCVD = Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease

CKD = Chronic Kidney Disease

HF = Heart Failure

DSMES = Diabetes Self-Management Education and Support

SMBG = Self-Monitored Blood Glucose

First step of treatment

- Metformin
- comprehensive life style including weight management and physical activity

Initial dual therapy

- Consider initiating dual therapy in patients with newly diagnosed type 2 diabetes who have A1C >1.5% above their glycemic target. E

Early Insulin treatment

The early introduction of insulin should be considered :

1. There is evidence of ongoing catabolism (weight loss)
2. symptoms of hyperglycemia are present
3. A1C>10%
4. Blood glucose >300 mg/dL. E

INDICATORS OF HIGH-RISK OR ESTABLISHED ASCVD, CKD, OR HF¹

CONSIDER INDEPENDENTLY OF BASELINE A1C OR INDIVIDUALIZED A1C TARGET

ASCVD PREDOMINATES

- Established ASCVD
- Indicators of high ASCVD risk (age ≥ 55 years with coronary, carotid or lower extremity artery stenosis $>50\%$, or LVH)

PREFERABLY

- GLP-1 RA with proven CVD benefit¹
- OR
- SGLT2i with proven CVD benefit¹ if eGFR adequate²

If A1C above target

If further intensification is required or patient is now unable to tolerate GLP-1 RA and/or SGLT2i, choose agents demonstrating CV safety:

- For patients on a GLP-1 RA, consider adding SGLT2i with proven CVD benefit¹
- DPP-4i if not on GLP-1 RA
- Basal insulin⁴
- TZD⁵
- SU⁶

HF OR CKD PREDOMINATES

- Particularly HFrEF (LVEF $<45\%$)
- CKD: Specifically eGFR 30-60 mL/min/1.73 m² or UACR >30 mg/g, particularly UACR >300 mg/g

PREFERABLY

- SGLT2i with evidence of reducing HF and/or CKD progression in CVOTs if eGFR adequate³
- OR
- If SGLT2i not tolerated or contraindicated or if eGFR less than adequate³ add GLP-1 RA with proven CVD benefit¹

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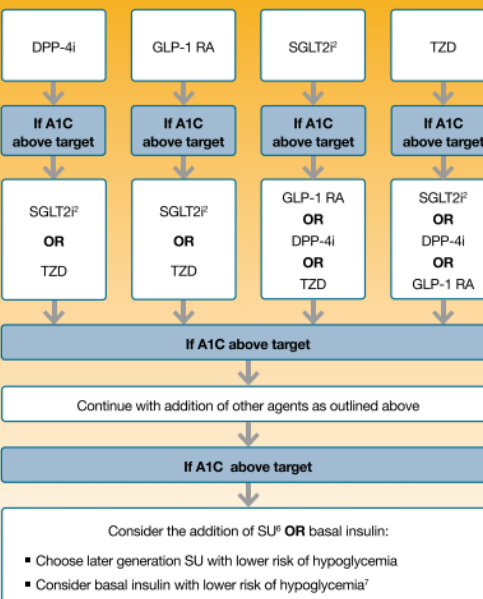
- Avoid TZD in the setting of HF
- Choose agents demonstrating CV safety:

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- DPP-4i (not saxagliptin) in the setting of HF (if not on GLP-1 RA)
- Basal insulin⁴
- SU⁶

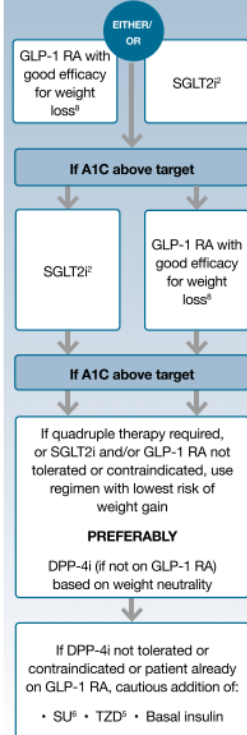
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IF A1C ABOVE INDIVIDUALIZED TARGET PROCEED AS BELOW

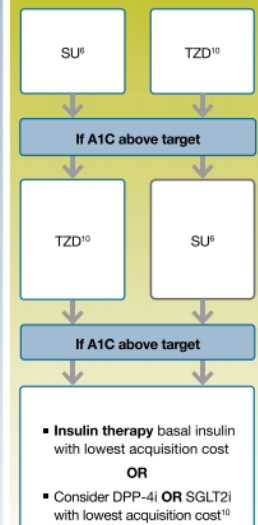
COMPELLING NEED TO MINIMIZE HYPOGLYCEMIA



COMPELLING NEED TO MINIMIZE WEIGHT GAIN OR PROMOTE WEIGHT LOSS



COST IS A MAJOR ISSUE⁹⁻¹⁰



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- TZD⁵
- SU⁶

HF OR CKD PREDOMINATES

- Particularly HFrEF (LVEF $<45\%$)
- CKD: Specifically eGFR 30-60 mL/min/1.73 m² or UACR >30 mg/g, particularly UACR >300 mg/g

PREFERABLY

SGLT2i with evidence of reducing HF and/or CKD progression in CVOTs if eGFR adequate³

OR

If SGLT2i not tolerated or contraindicated or if eGFR less than adequate² add GLP-1 RA with proven CVD benefit¹

If A1C above target

▪ Avoid TZD in the setting of HF
Choose agents demonstrating CV safety:

- For patients on a SGLT2i, consider adding GLP-1 RA with proven CVD benefit¹
- DPP-4i (not saxagliptin) in the setting of HF (if not on GLP-1 RA)
- Basal insulin⁴
- SU⁶

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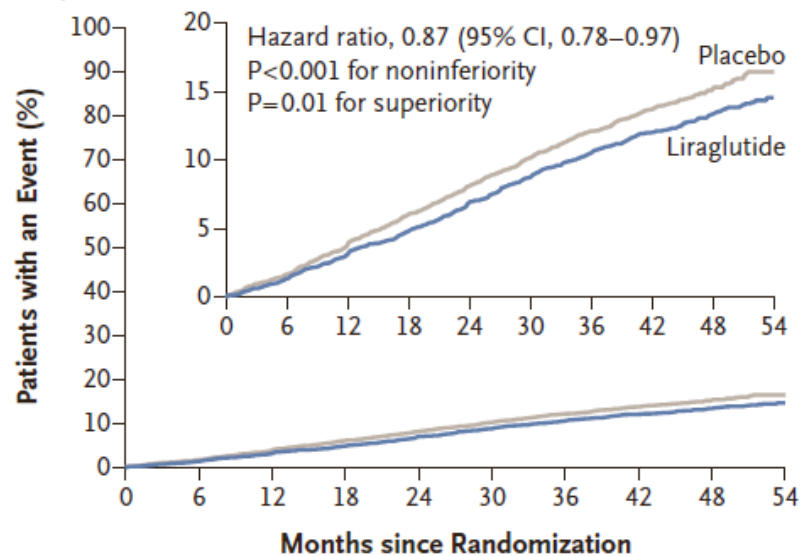
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Liraglutide and Cardiovascular Outcomes in Type 2 Diabetes

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CV Death

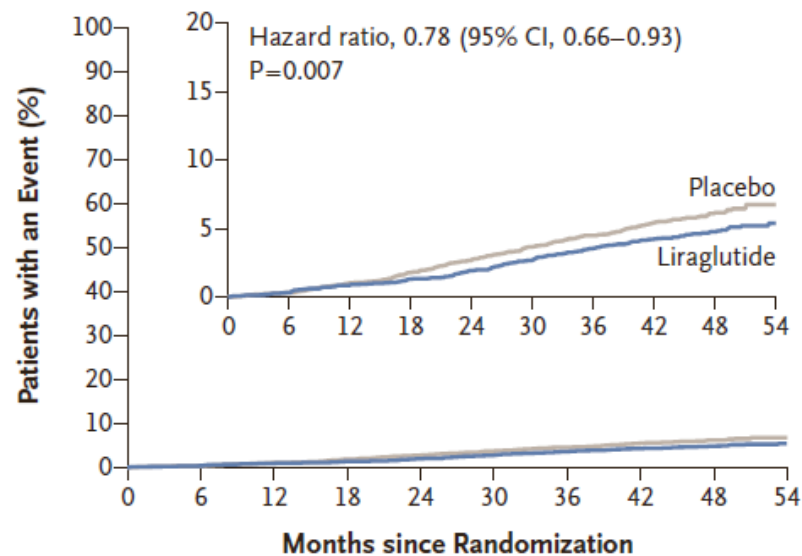
A Primary Outcome



No. at Risk

Liraglutide	4668	4593	4496	4400	4280	4172	4072	3982	1562	424
Placebo	4672	4588	4473	4352	4237	4123	4010	3914	1543	407

B Death from Cardiovascular Causes

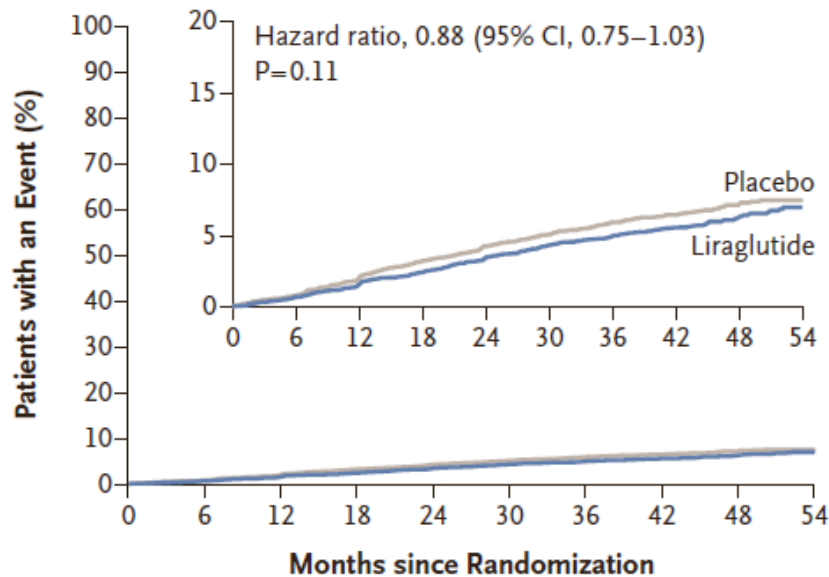


No. at Risk

Liraglutide	4668	4641	4599	4558	4505	4445	4382	4322	1723	484
Placebo	4672	4648	4601	4546	4479	4407	4338	4267	1709	465

Nonfatal MI & Stroke

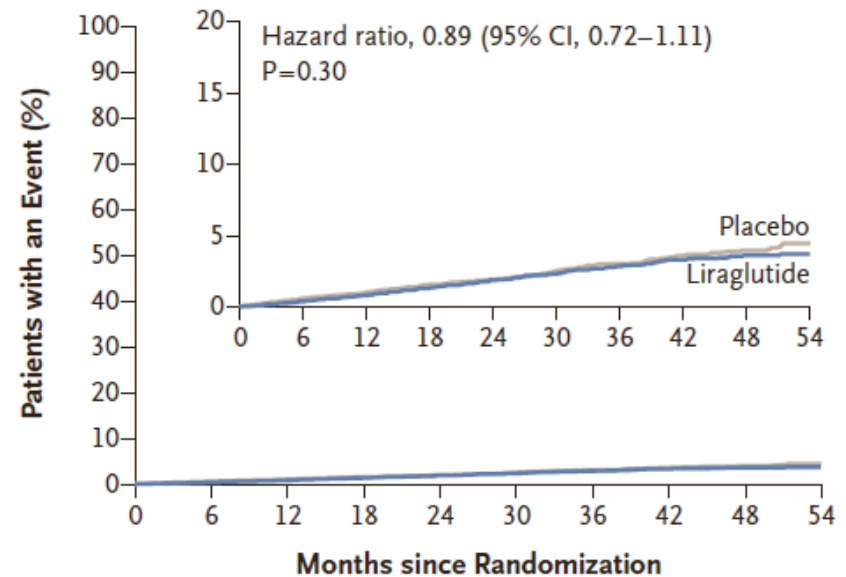
C Nonfatal Myocardial Infarction



No. at Risk

Liraglutide	4668	4609	4531	4454	4359	4263	4181	4102	1619	440
Placebo	4672	4613	4513	4407	4301	4202	4103	4020	1594	424

D Nonfatal Stroke



No. at Risk

Liraglutide	4668	4624	4564	4504	4426	4351	4269	4194	1662	465
Placebo	4672	4622	4558	4484	4405	4314	4228	4141	1648	445

EMPA-REG Trial

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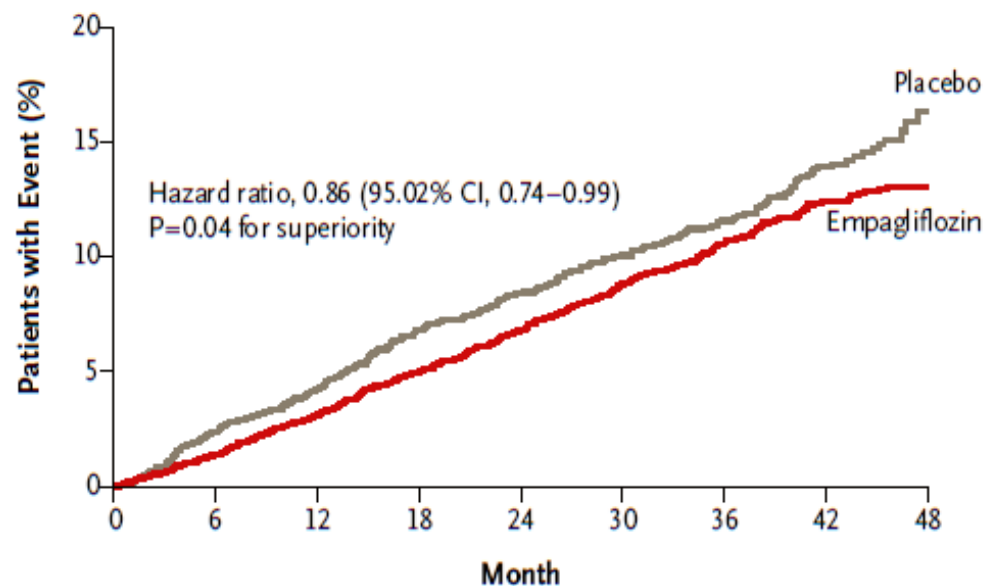
ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Empagliflozin, Cardiovascular Outcomes, and Mortality in Type 2 Diabetes

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A Primary Outcome

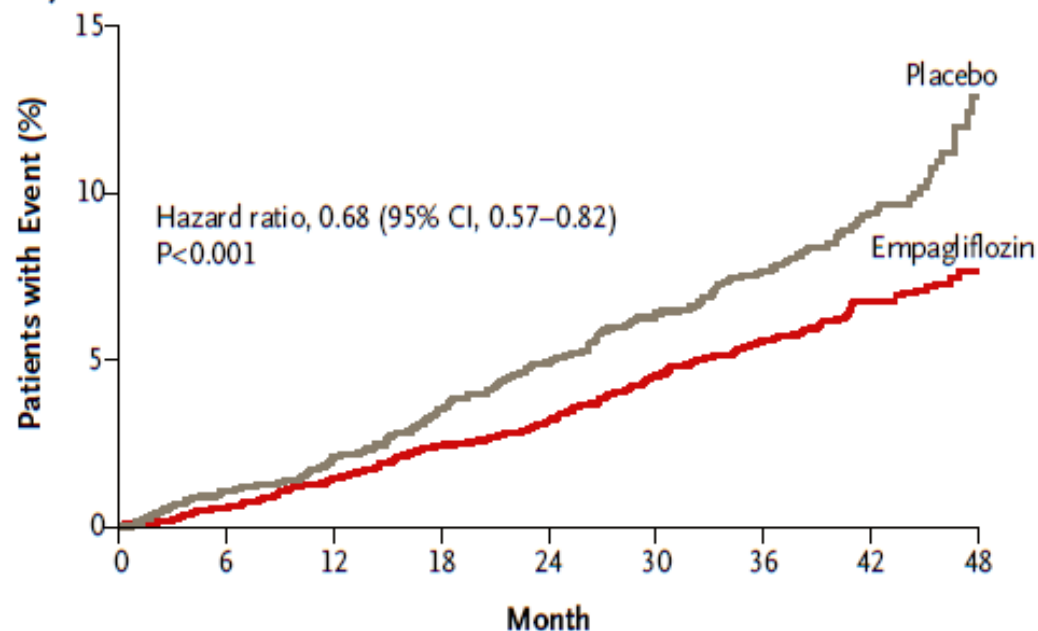


No. at Risk

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

Death from any cause

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

CHOOSING GLUCOSE-LOWERING MEDICATION IF COMPELLING NEED TO MINIMIZE WEIGHT GAIN OR PROMOTE WEIGHT LOSS



In those WITHOUT established ASCVD OR CKD

Use principles in Figure 1



TO AVOID
CLINICAL INERTIA
REASSESS AND
MODIFY TREATMENT
REGULARLY
(3-6 MONTHS)

Implement strategies for maximizing weight loss

First-line therapy is metformin

If HbA_{1c} is ≥ 17 mmol/mol (1.5%) above individualized HbA_{1c} target consider early combination therapy

If HbA_{1c} above target

EITHER/
OR

GLP-1 RA with good efficacy for weight loss¹

SGLT2i if eGFR adequate²

If HbA_{1c} above target

General lifestyle advice

- Medical nutritional therapy
- Eating patterns
- Physical activity

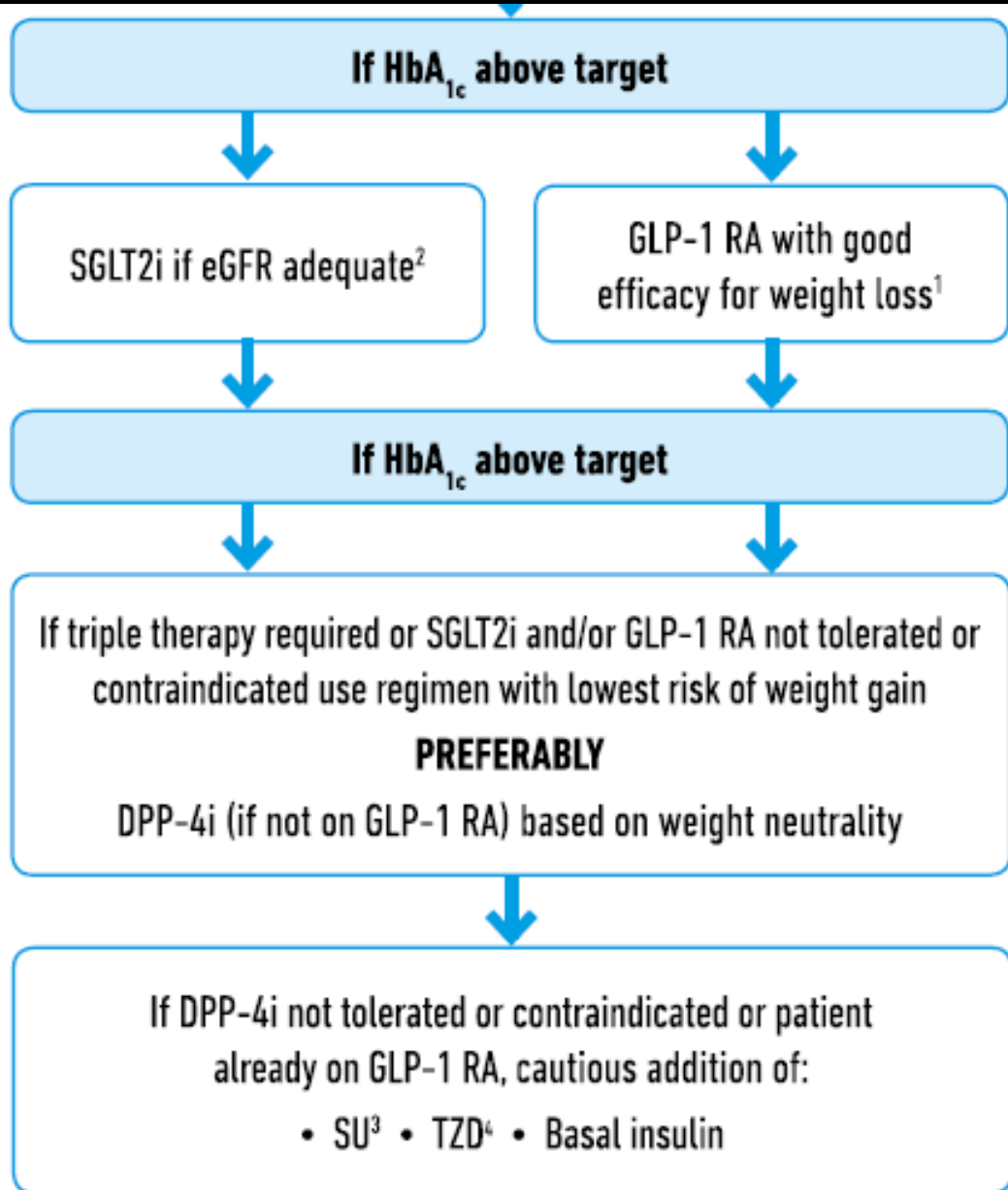
Non-surgical energy restriction for weight loss

Weight loss of 15 kg can lead to remission of T2DM in patient <6 years' duration, consider evidence-based weight loss programs

Consider medication for weight loss

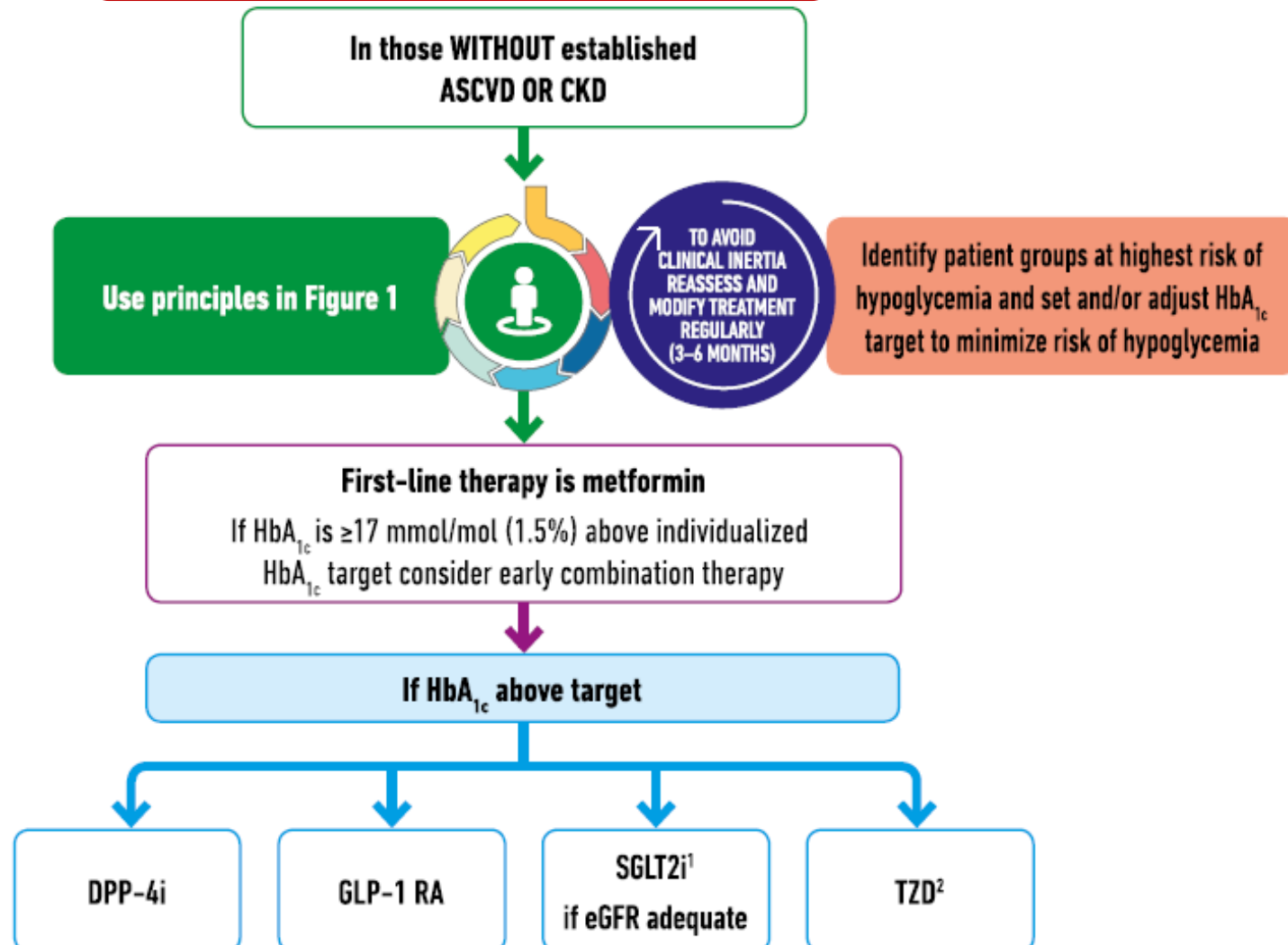
Consider metabolic surgery

Drugs to minimize weight gain

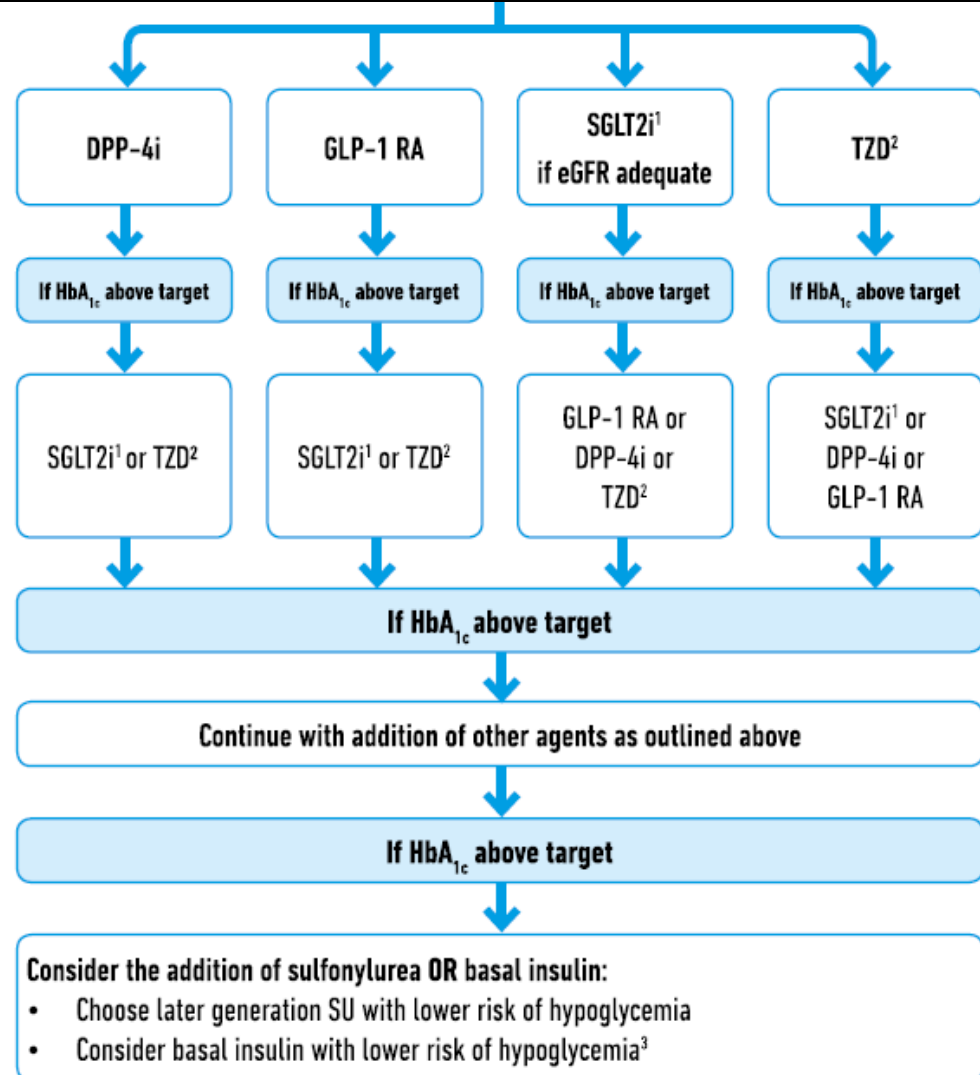


1. Semaglutide > liraglutide > dulaglutide > exenatide > lixisenatide

CHOOSING GLUCOSE-LOWERING MEDICATION IF COMPELLING NEED TO MINIMIZE HYPOGLYCEMIA

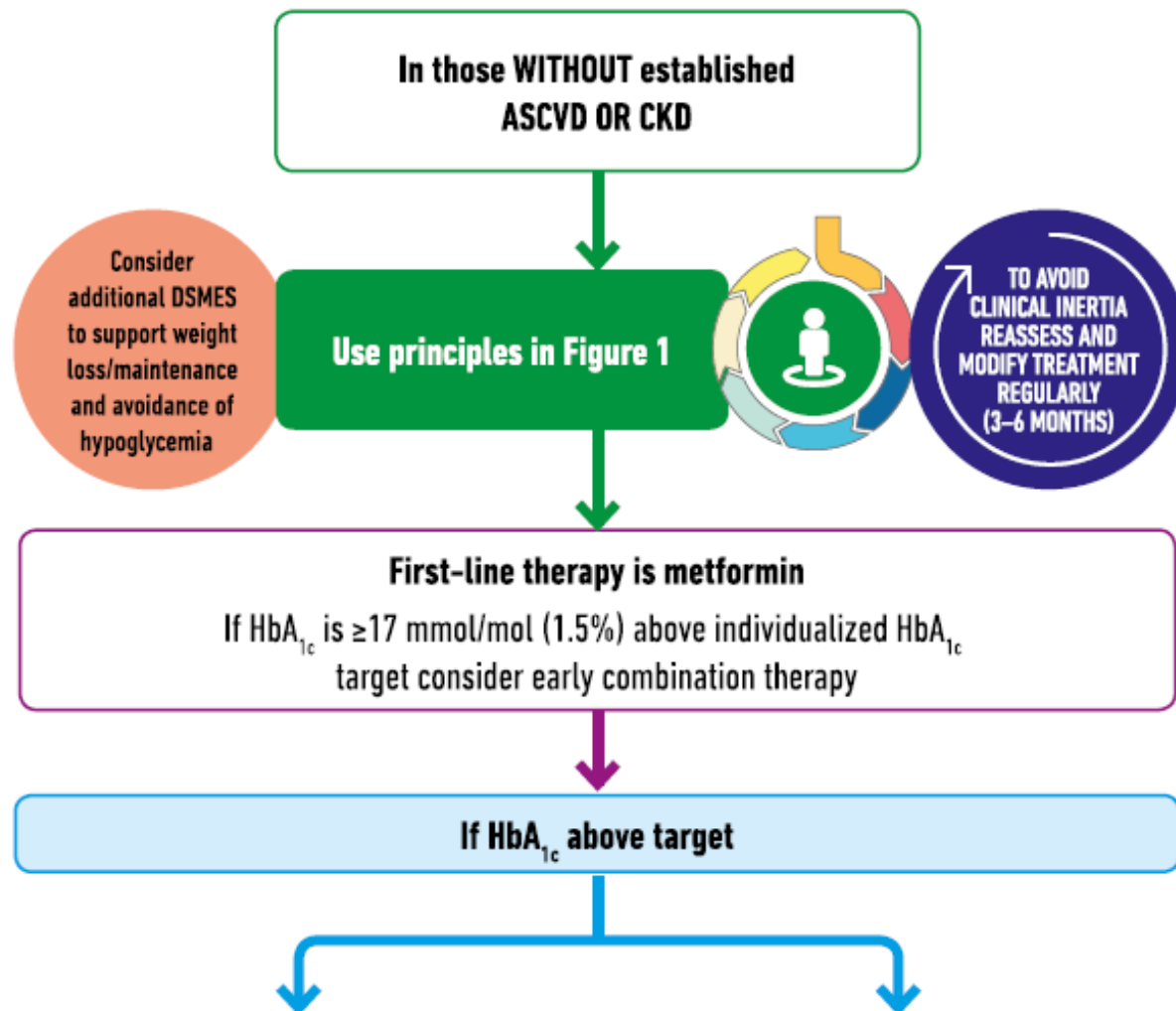


OADs to minimize hypoglycemia

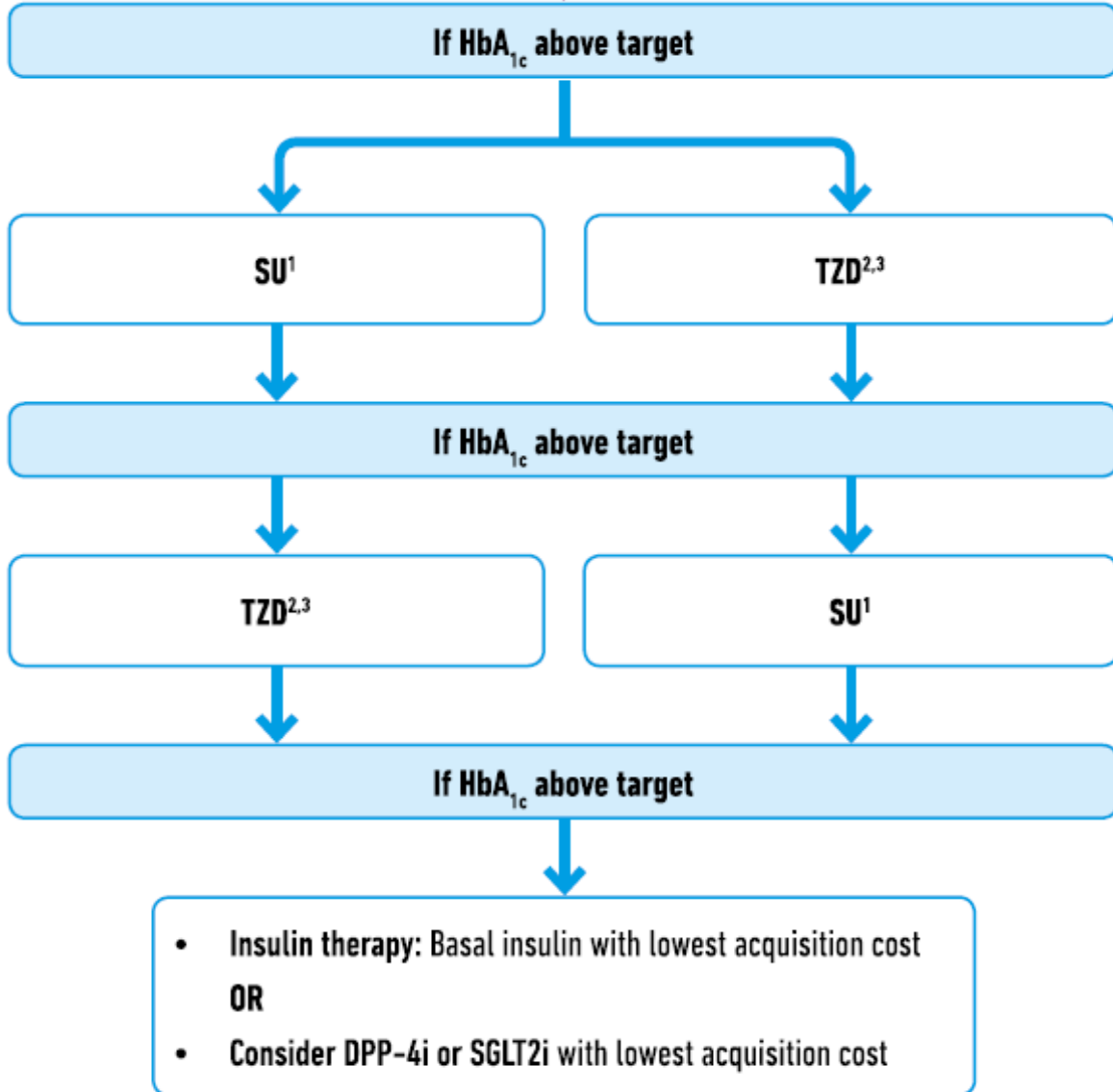


1. Be aware that SGLT2i vary by region and individual agent with regard to indicated level of eGFR for initiation and continued use
2. Low dose TZDs are better tolerated
3. Degludec / glargine U300 < glargine U100 / detemir < NPH insulin

CHOOSING GLUCOSE-LOWERING MEDICATION IF COST IS A MAJOR ISSUE



Cost consideration of OAD



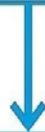
Addition of injectables

Addition of Injectable Medications

Consensus recommendation

- In patients who need the greater glucose-lowering effect of an injectable medication, GLP-1 receptor agonists are the preferred choice to insulin. For patients with extreme and symptomatic hyperglycemia, insulin is recommended (Fig. 7).

If HbA_{1c} above target despite dual/triple therapy



Consider GLP-1 RA in most prior to insulin¹

Consider: • INITIATION • TITRATION

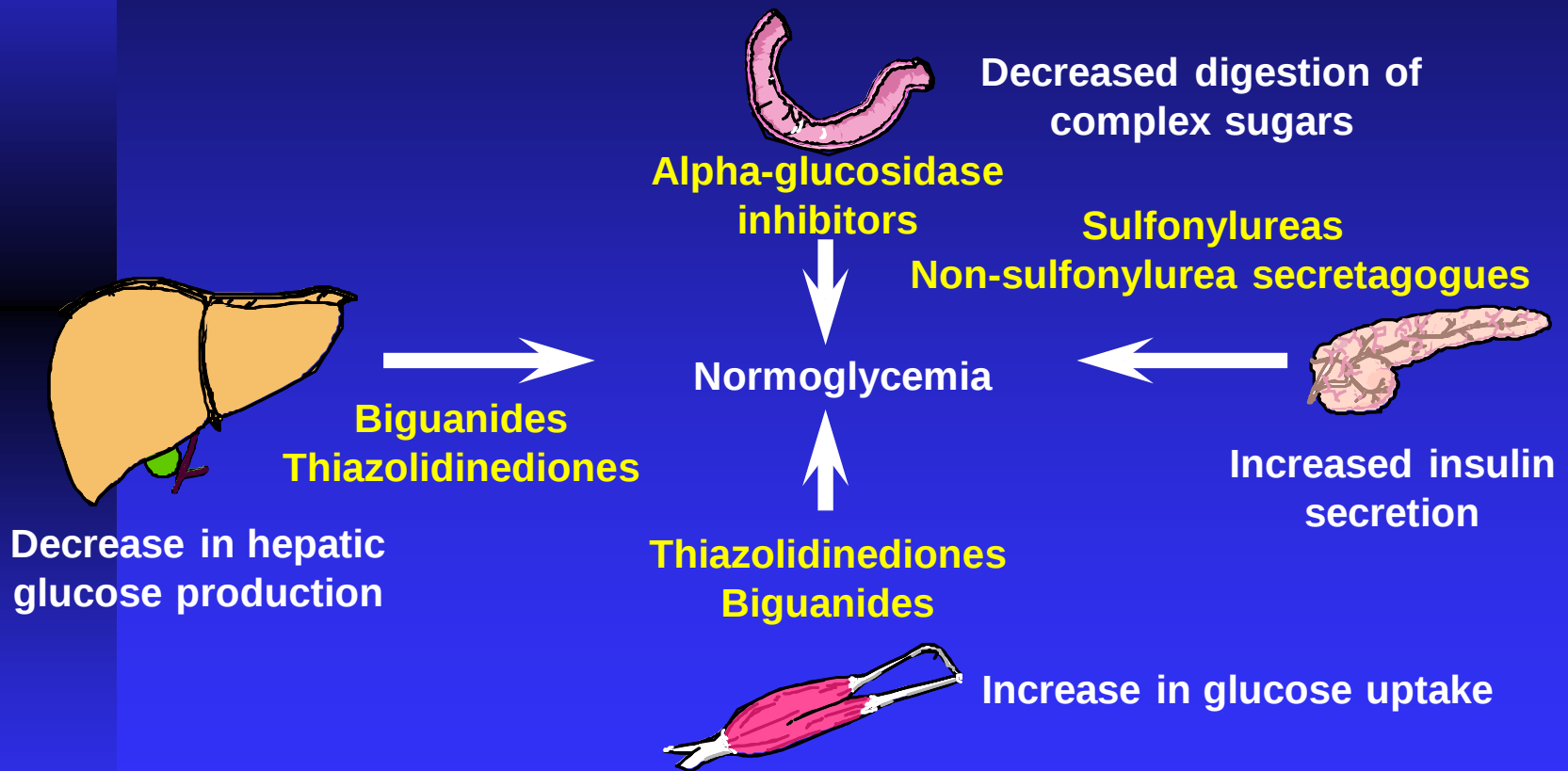
Add basal insulin

Consider: • **INITIATION** • **TITRATION**

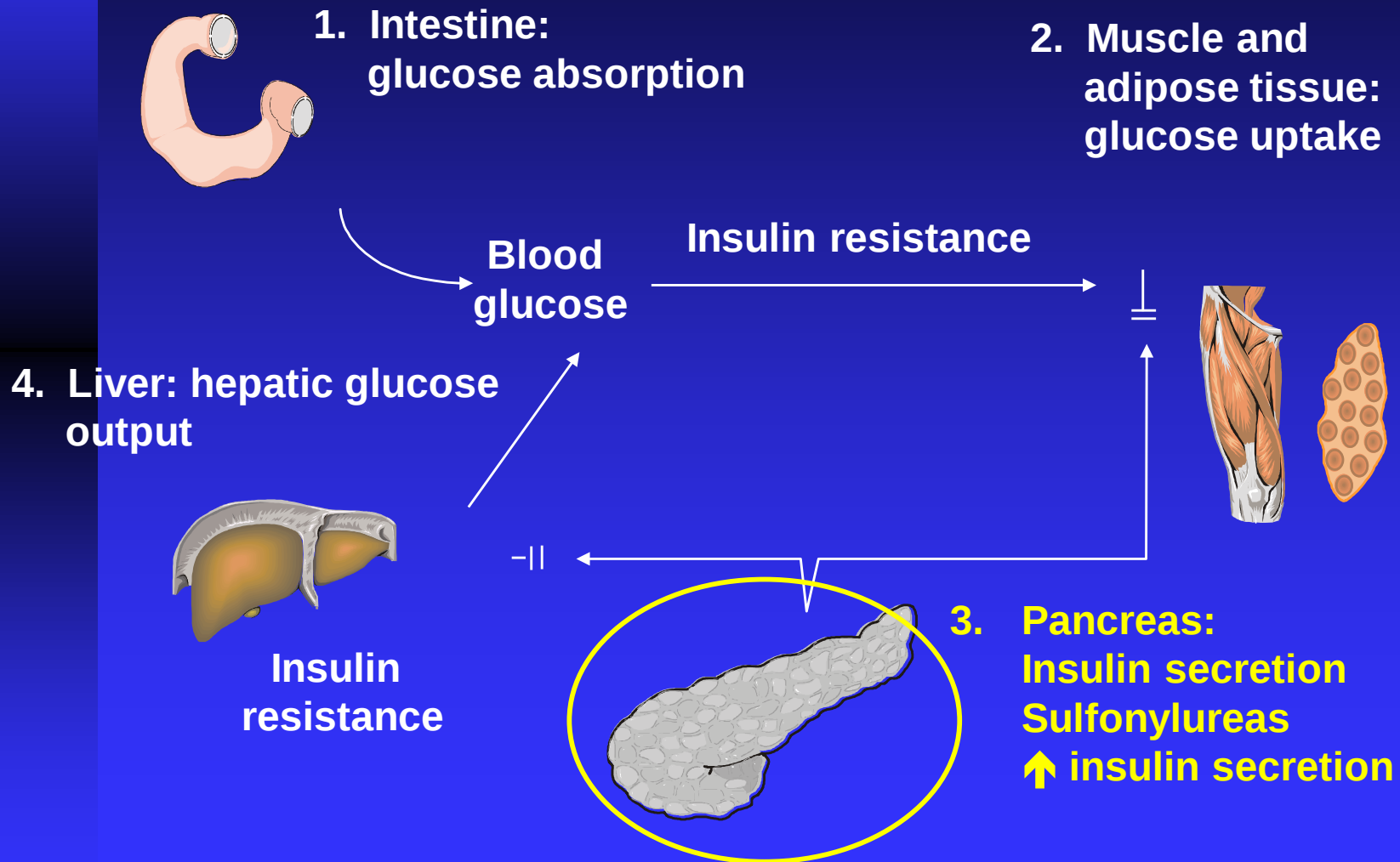
Drug specific and patient factors

- Efficacy
- Hypoglycemia
- Weight change
- CV effects
- Cost
- Oral/SC
- Renal effects
- Additional consideration

Sites/Mechanisms of Action of Antihyperglycemic Agents



Insulin Secretagogues: Mechanisms of Action



Insulin Secretagogues

- Insulin secretagogues stimulate insulin secretion by interacting with the ATP-sensitive potassium channel on the beta cell

These drugs are most effective in individuals with type 2 DM :

1. Relatively recent onset (<5 years)
2. Have endogenous insulin production
3. Obese.

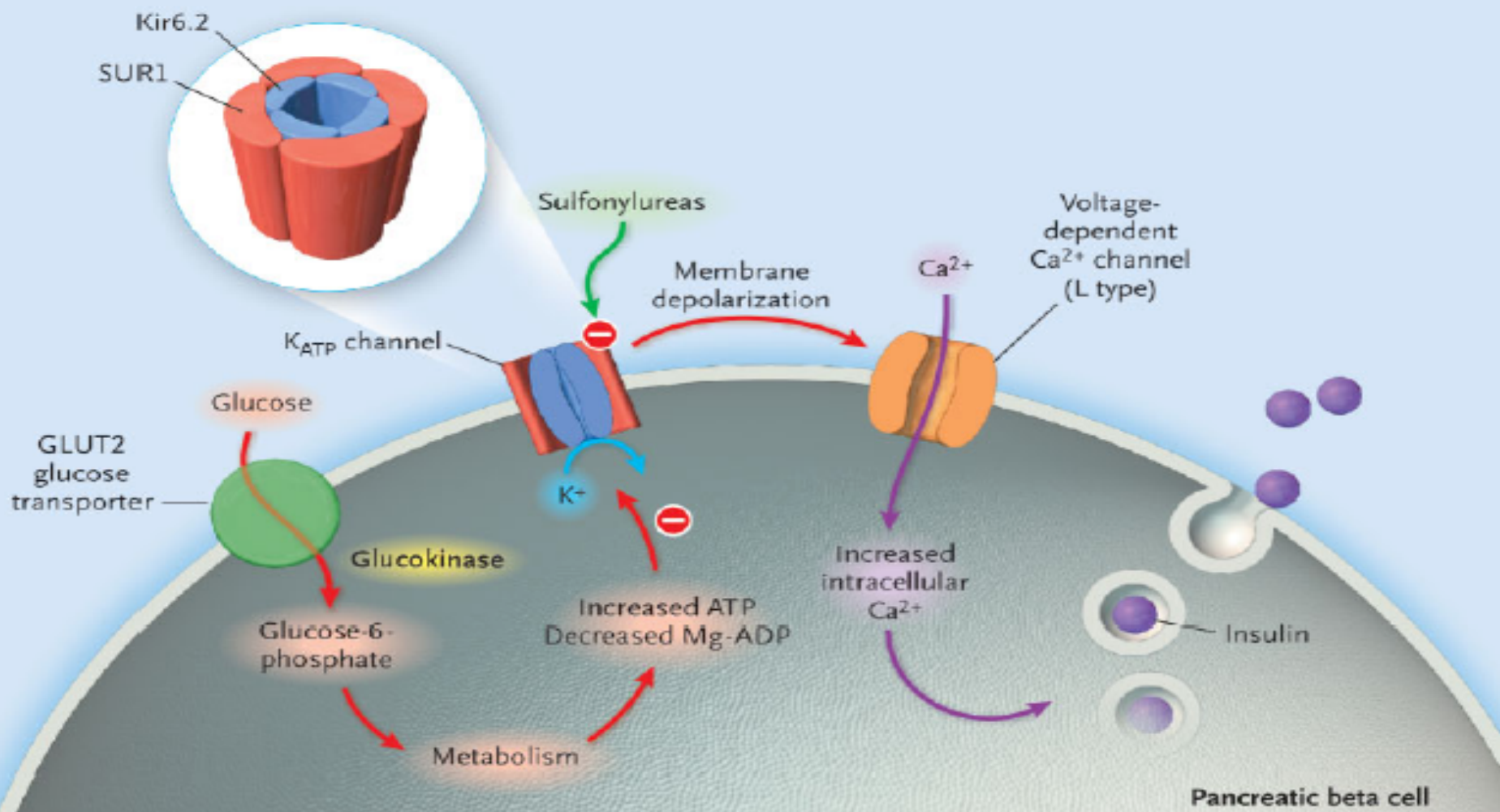


Figure 1. Schematic Representation of the Pancreatic Beta Cell, Illustrating the Role of the ATP-Sensitive Potassium (K_{ATP}) Channel in Insulin Secretion.

Glucose enters the beta cell by way of the GLUT2 glucose transporter. Once inside the cell, glucose is metabolized, leading to changes in the intracellular concentration of adenine nucleotides that inhibit the K_{ATP} channel and thus cause channel closure. The K_{ATP} channel consists of four sulfonylurea-receptor (SUR1) subunits and four Kir6.2 subunits in an octomeric structure. Channel closure leads to membrane depolarization, which subsequently activates voltage-dependent calcium (Ca²⁺) channels, leading in turn to an increase in intracellular Ca²⁺, which triggers insulin exocytosis. Sulfonylureas initiate secretion by directly binding to the SUR1 subunits of K_{ATP} channels and causing channel closure. Mg-ADP denotes magnesium ADP.

Sulfonylureas

- Reduce fasting and PPG
- Should be initiated at low doses
- Increased at 1- to 2-week intervals based on SMBG.
- Increase insulin acutely and thus should be **taken shortly before a meal**
- With chronic therapy, the insulin release is more sustained

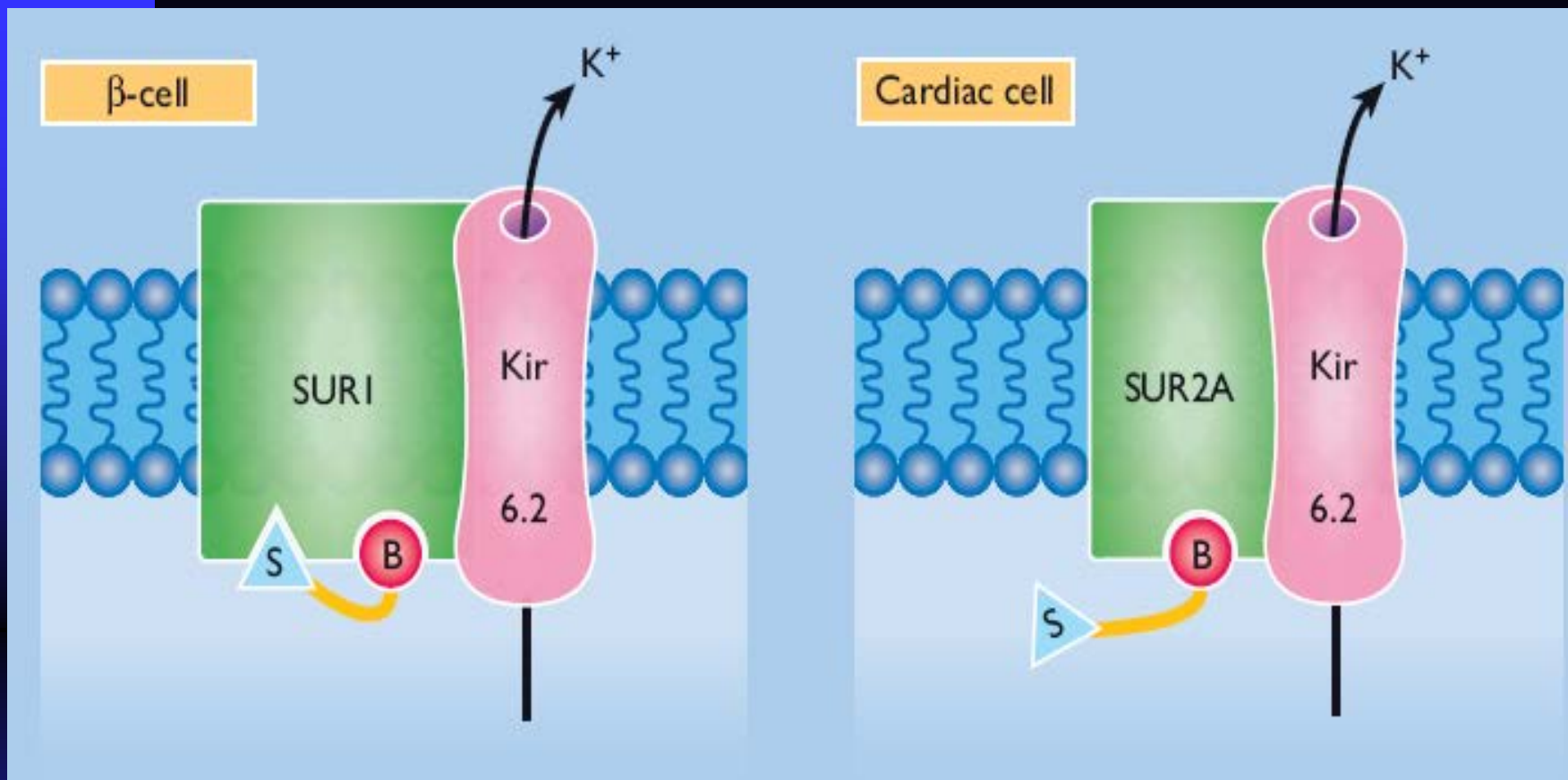
Sulfonylureas

- Most sulfonylureas are metabolized in the liver to compounds that are cleared by the kidney.
- Their use in individuals with significant hepatic or renal dysfunction is not advisable.
- Weight gain, a common side effect of SUD, results from the increased insulin and improvement in glycemic control

Isoforms of the Sulfonylurea receptor

ATP-dependent potassium channels and their physiologic functions

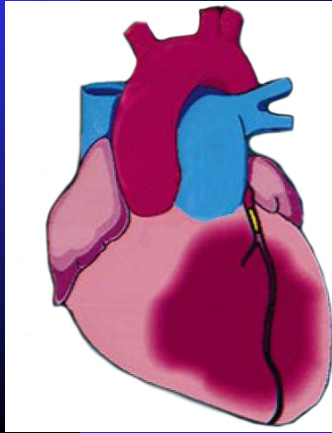
Tissue	Receptor	Basal state	Stimulus	Effect
Pancreatic- β cells	SUR-1	Open	Hyperglycemia	 Insulin secretion
Myocardial cells	SUR-2A	Closed	Ischemia Hypoxia	Energy consumption
Vascular smooth	SUR-2B	Closed	Ischemia Hypoxia	Vasodilatation 



Glibenclamide & Glipizide : Interact with the cardiac and vascular SUR2A/B

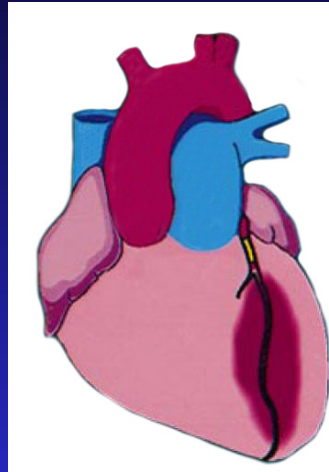
Glimepiride & Gliclazide : Show very little interaction with SUR2A/B

Significance of Ischemic preconditioning



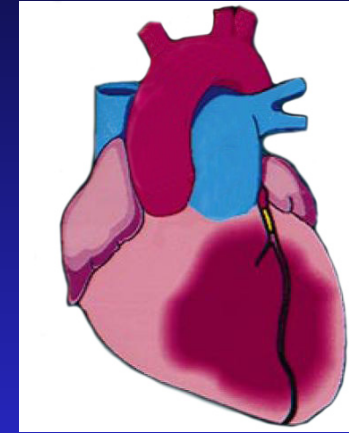
NO ISCHEMIC PRECONDITIONING

Prolonged occlusion of a major coronary artery leads to myocardial infarction



ISCHEMIC PRECONDITIONING

Repeated and brief occlusion of the same vessel preconditions the myocardium such that subsequent prolonged occlusion leads to a smaller infarct



SULFONYLUREAS

Sulfonylureas other than **Glimepiride/Gliclazide** abolish ischemic preconditioning, resulting in large infarction size

Repaglinide

- Is not a sulfonylurea but also interacts with the ATP-sensitive potassium channel.
- Short half-life
- Usually given with or immediately before each meal to reduce meal-related glucose excursions.
- Are well tolerated in general.
- All of these agents, have the potential to cause profound and persistent hypoglycemia, especially in elderly individuals.

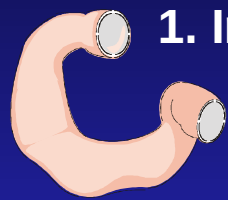
Advantages of Repaglinide

- Flexibility in mealtime dosing- ‘Ramzan Drug’
- No significant increase in bodyweight
- Can be utilized in mild to moderate renal failure

Dosage: Repaglinide:

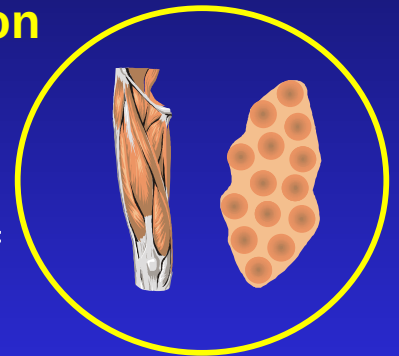
0.5mg/1mg/2mg/4mg per dose per meal

Biguanides: Mechanisms of Action



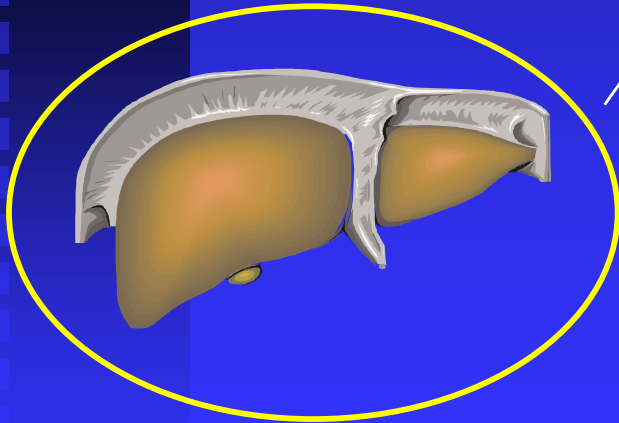
1. Intestine: glucose absorption

2. Muscle and adipose tissue: Biguanides ↑ glucose utilization



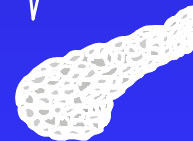
Blood glucose $\xrightarrow{\text{Insulin resistance}}$

4. Liver: Biguanides ↑ hepatic glucose output



Insulin resistance

3. Pancreas: insulin secretion



Botanical Heritage of Metformin



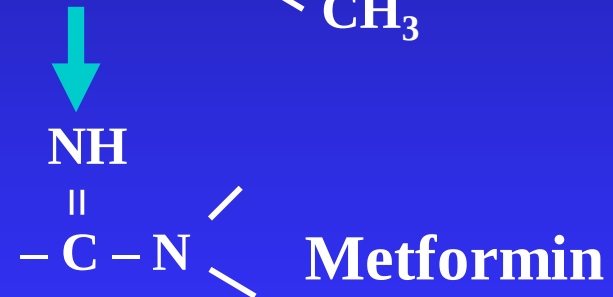
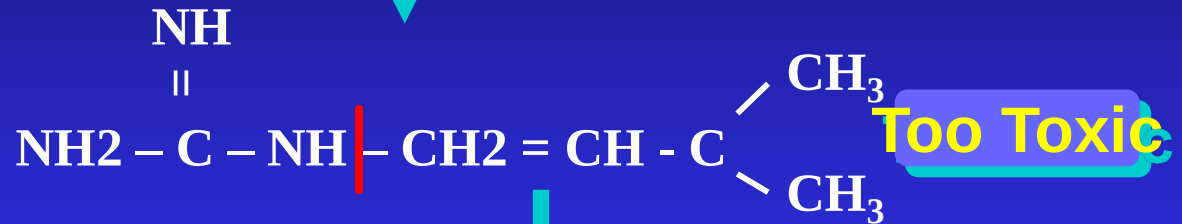
Galega Officinalis

Elliott P. Joslin, 1927:

→ **Galegine**

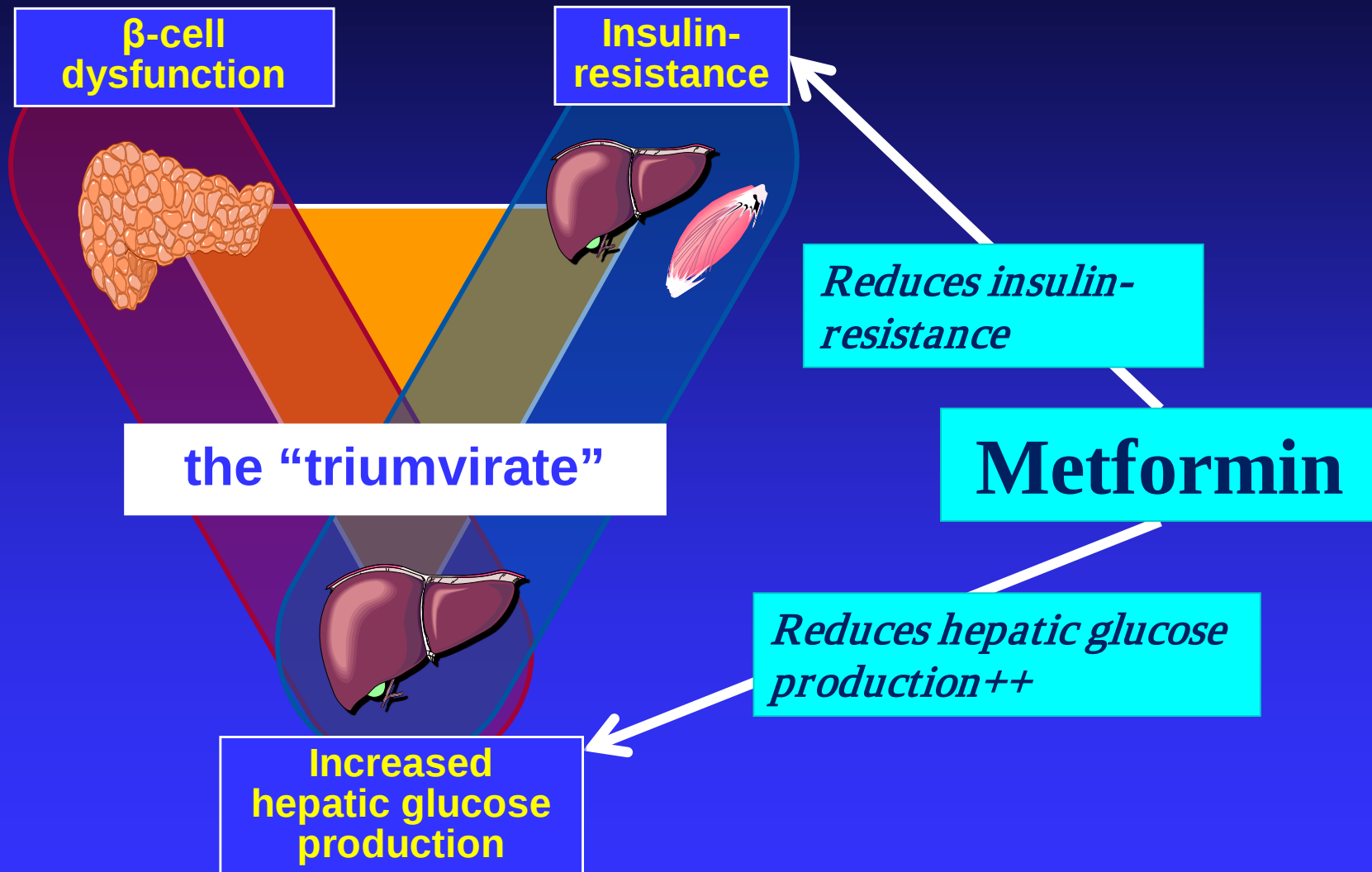


Burger & White (1922)



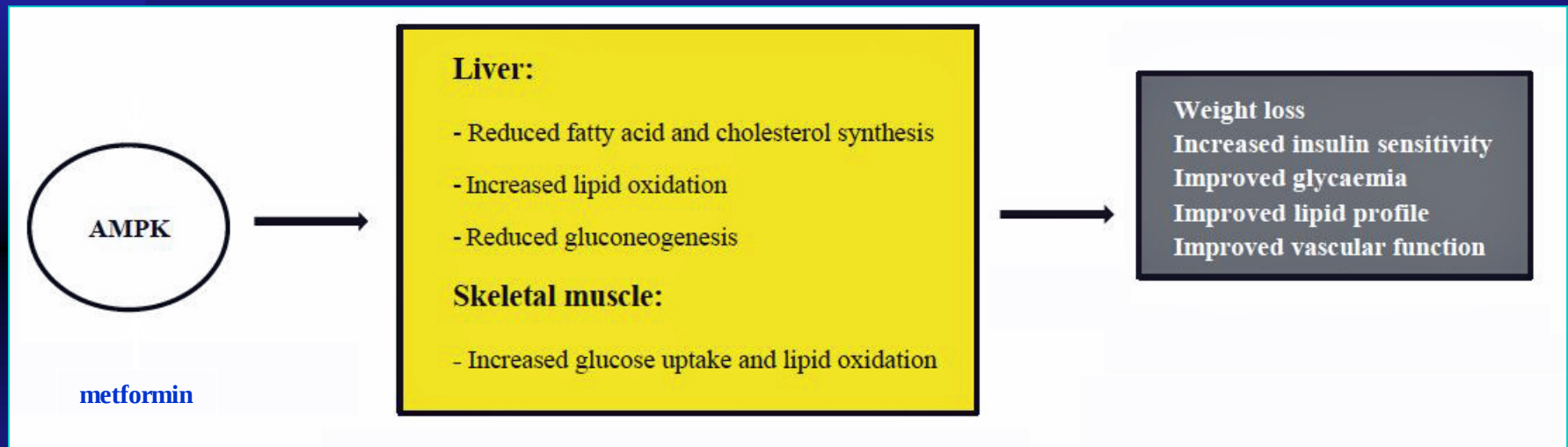
“Galegine is the forerunner of better preparations which can be given by mouth and which to some degree will replace insulin”

The 3 main pathophysiological defects of Type 2 diabetes



Metformin: cellular mechanisms of action

Activation of AMP-activated protein kinase (AMPK), principally in muscle and the liver, is considered a major mode of metformin action

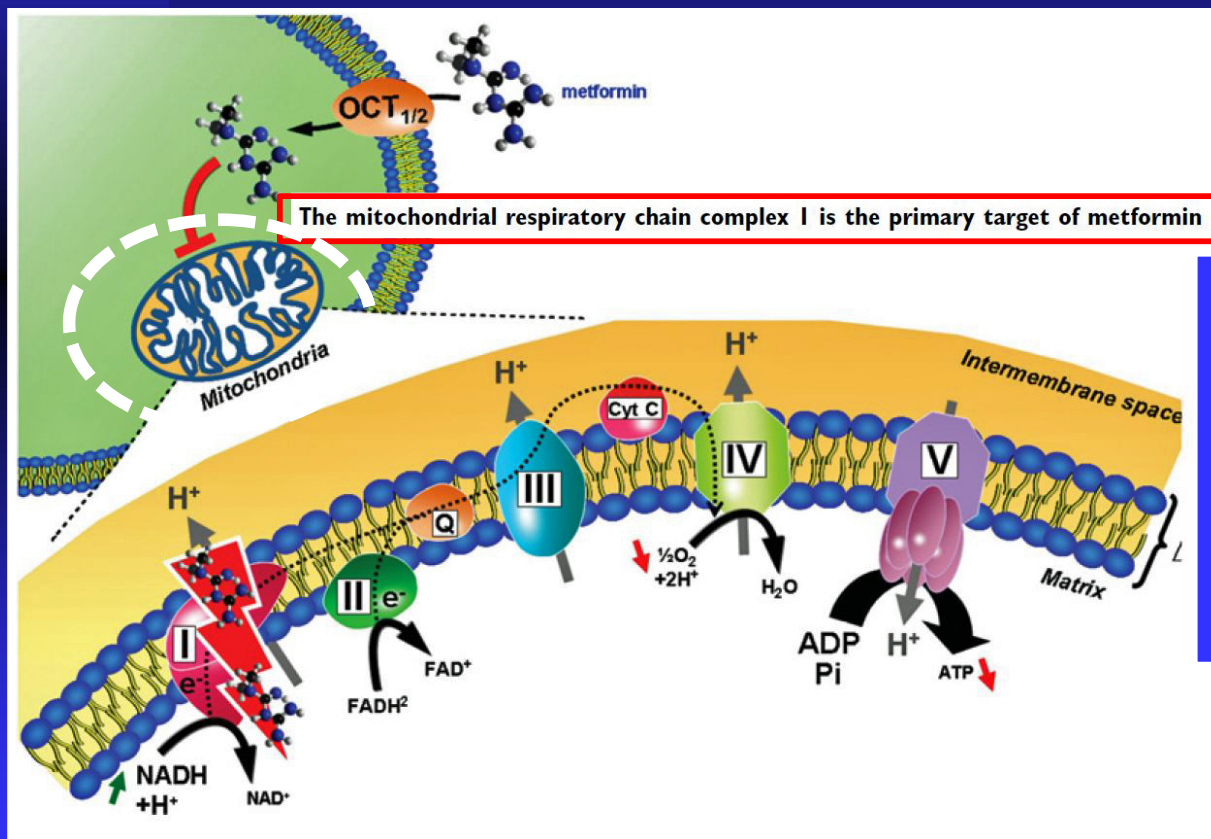


AMPK acts as a sensor of cellular energy status,
coordinating catabolism and anabolism

The concept of energetic stress

Metformin: cellular mechanisms of action

AMPK activation by metformin is secondary to its effect on **the mitochondria, the primary target of metformin**



Metformin inhibits this complex

The consequence of *inhibition of the respiratory chain complex I by metformin* is a transient reduction in cellular energy status.

↓
**AMPK
activation**

Biguanides

Metformin

- Reduces hepatic glucose production
- May improve peripheral glucose utilization slightly.
- Reduces fasting plasma glucose and insulin levels
- Improves the lipid profile
- Promotes modest weight loss.

Metformin

- The initial starting dose of 500 mg once or twice a day can be increased to 850 mg tid or 1000 mg bid.
- Because of its relatively slow onset of action and gastrointestinal symptoms with higher doses, the dose should be **escalated every 2 to 3 weeks**

Metformin

- The major toxicity: lactic acidosis
- Metformin should not be used in patients with $eGFR < 30$
- Any form of acidosis
- Advanced CHF
- Advanced Liver disease
- Severe hypoxia.

Metformin should be discontinued in patients

Who are seriously ill

Patients who can take nothing orally

Those receiving radiographic contrast

Metformin

- Some develop GI side effects (diarrhea, anorexia, nausea, and metallic taste) that can be minimized by gradual dose escalation.
- Drug is metabolized in the liver
- It should not be used in patients with advanced liver disease or heavy ethanol intake

Metformin is the cornerstone of any pharmacological anti-diabetic treatment: *the 1st line agent and next the background medication of the intensification strategy*

At diagnosis
(in all the guidelines)

Metformin for everybody*

if HbA1c $\geq$ 6.5 to 7%

*contra-indicated if eGFR<30ml

Metformin (if tolerated) is widely accepted as the 1st line agent

Management of Hyperglycemia in Type 2 Diabetes: A Patient-Centered Approach

Position Statement of the American Diabetes Association (ADA) and the European Association for the Study of Diabetes (EASD)



EASD

Position Statement

- Initial drug monotherapy

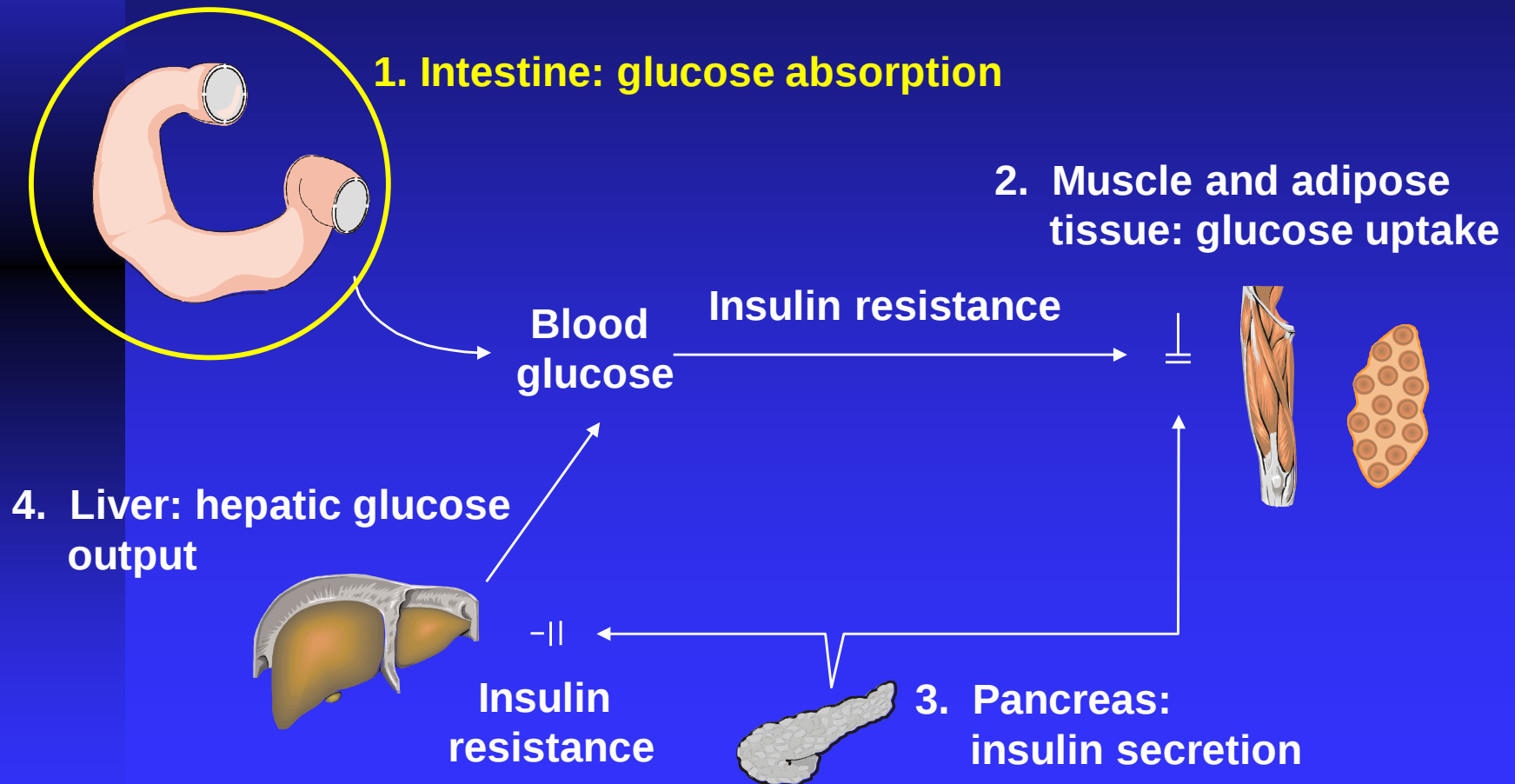
Efficacy ($\downarrow$ HbA1c)
Hypoglycemia
Weight
Side effects
Costs

Healthy eating, weight control, increased physical activity

Metformin

high
low risk
neutral/loss
GI / lactic acidosis
low

α -Glucosidase Inhibitors: Mechanisms of Action



α -glucosidase inhibitors

- α -Glucosidase inhibitors (acarbose and miglitol) reduce **postprandial hyperglycemia** by delaying glucose absorption
- They do not affect glucose utilization or insulin secretion.
- **PP hyperglycemia**, contributes significantly to the hyperglycemic state in type 2 DM.

α - glucosidase inhibitors

- The major side effects (**diarrhea, flatulence, abdominal distention**) are related to increased delivery of oligosaccharides to large bowel
- α -Glucosidase inhibitors **may increase SUD and increase hypoglycemia.**
- Simultaneous treatment with **bile acid resins** and **antacids** should be avoided.

α - glucosidase inhibitors

These agents should not be used in :

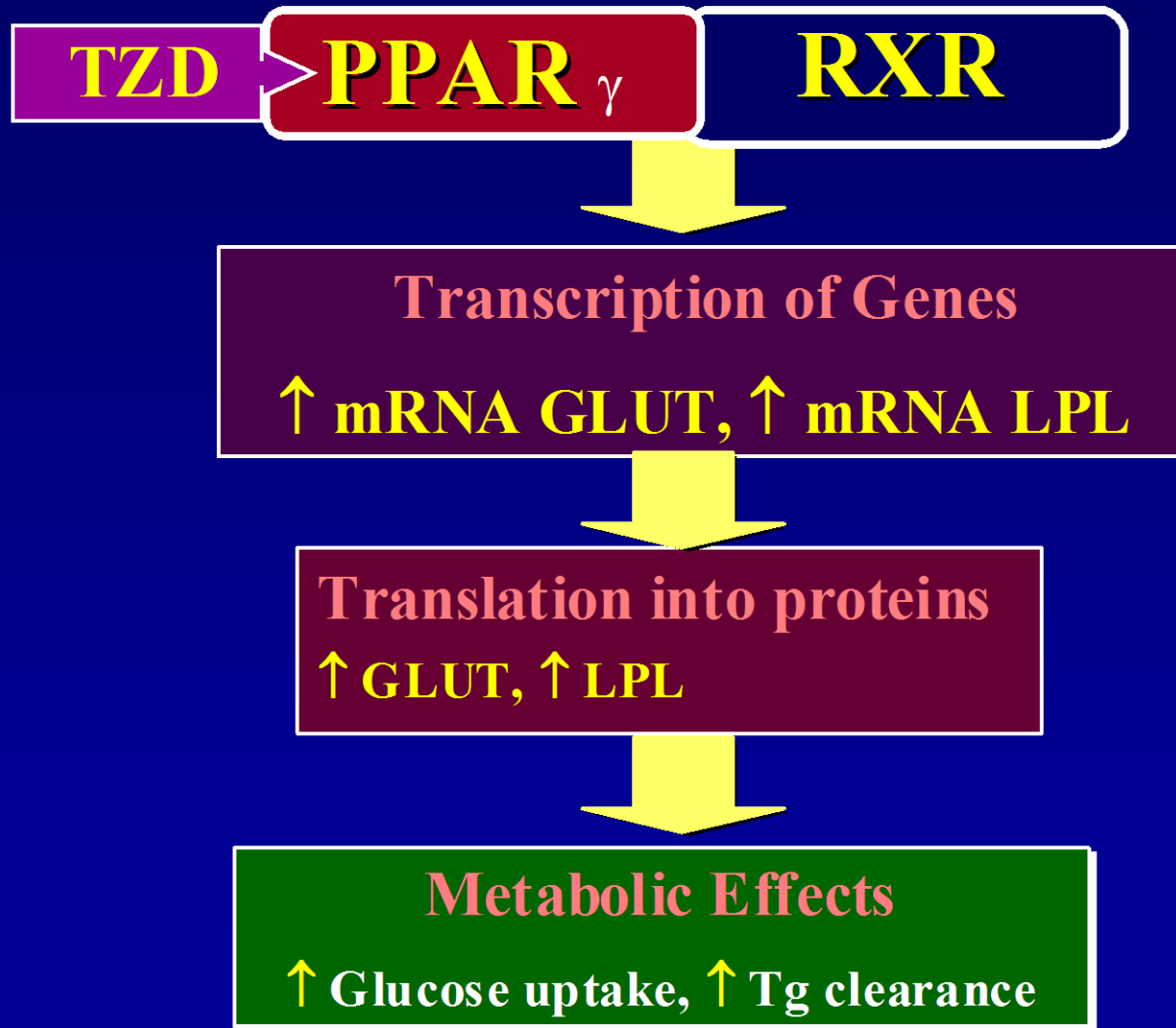
- IBD
- Gastroparesis
- Creatinine >2.0 mg/dL.
- This agents is not as potent as other oral agents in lowering the HbA1c but is unique in that it reduces the PP glucose rise even in individuals with type 1 .

Thiazolidinedione

These drugs bind to a nuclear receptor (peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor, **PPAR- γ**) that regulates gene transcription.

- ◆ PPAR γ - most important receptor isoform
 - ◆ Reduces TNF- α and hepatic glucokinase expression
(suppresses glucose output)
- Stimulate expression of genes responsible for production of GLUT-1 and GLUT-4 (increases insulin sensitivity 60%)

Thiazolidinedione - Mechanisms of Action



Thiazolidinedione

- TZD raise LDL and HDL slightly and lower TG by 10 to 15%
- TZD are associated with **weight gain** (1 to 2 kg)
- small reduction of HCT
- A mild increase in plasma volume.
- Cardiac function is not affected, but the incidence of **peripheral edema is increased**
- They are contraindicated in patients with liver disease or CHF (**class III or IV**).
- TZD have been shown to induce **ovulation in premenopausal** women with polycystic ovary syndrome

Enhancing the Incretin Effect

GLP-1 effect is diminished in type 2 diabetes
Natural GLP-1 has short half-life (1-2 minutes)

Injection

**Add GLP-1 agonist
with longer
half-life**

- Exenatide
- Liraglutide
- Exenatide once weekly*

Oral

**Block DPP-4, the
enzyme that degrades
GLP-1 and GIP**

- Sitagliptin
- Saxagliptin
- Vildagliptin*
- Linagliptin

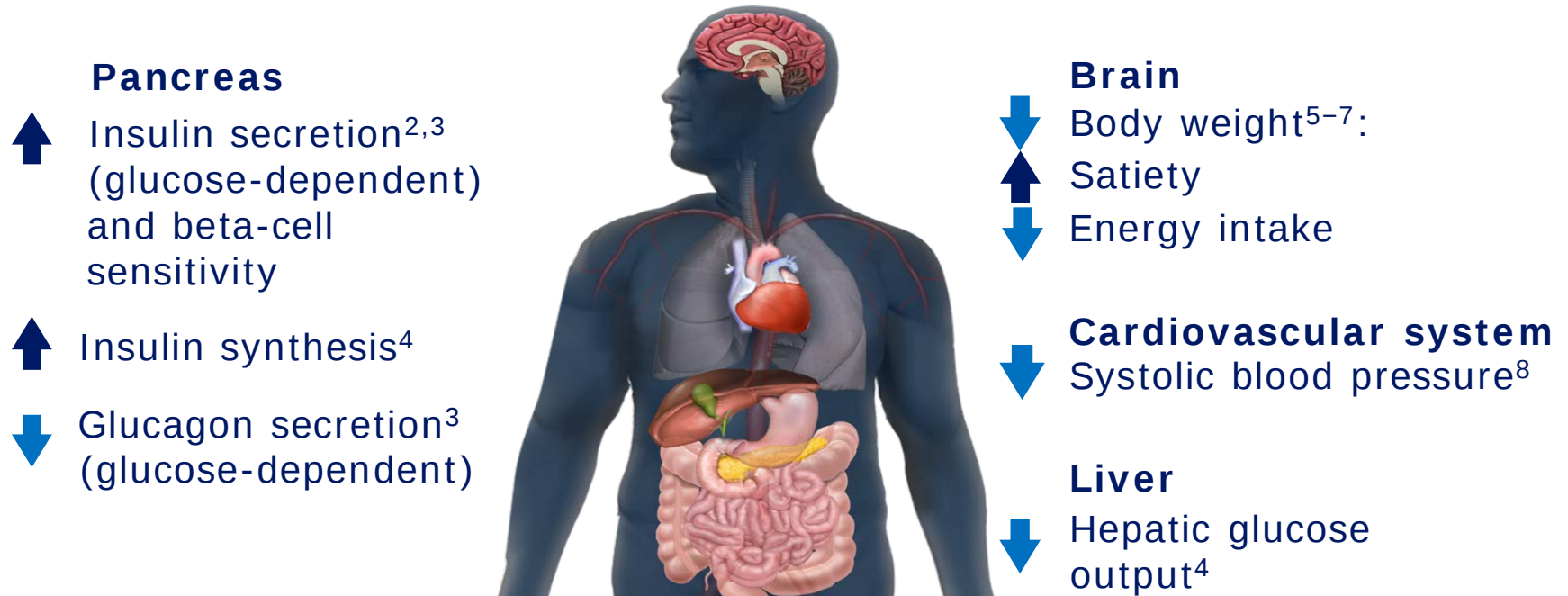
Pharmacologic (supraphysiologic)

GLP-1 Levels

Physiologic

*Not yet approved by the US Food and Drug Administration
Drucker DJ, et al. *Lancet*. 2006;368:1696-1705.

GLP-1RA direct effects on human physiology¹



GLP-1 RA targets six out of eight core defects of T₂DM

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Glucagon-like peptide 1 (GLP-1) agonist

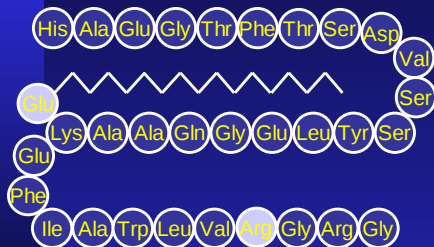
Exenatide

"Insufficient clinical use to be confident regarding safety"

How it works	Potentiates glucose-stimulated insulin secretion
Expected HbA _{1c} reduction	0.5 to 1% (mainly by lowering postprandial glucose)
Adverse events	• GI tract: nausea, vomiting, diarrhea in 30-45% subjects • Pancreatitis?
Weight effects	Weight loss of ~ 2–3 kg over 6 months (may be result of GI side effects)
CV effects	None mentioned

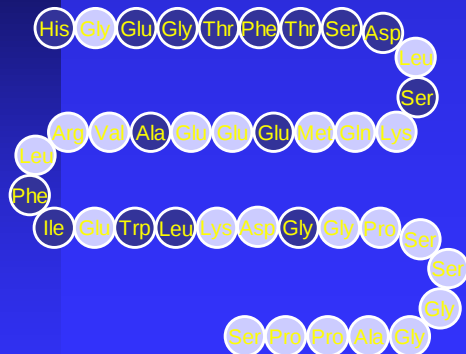
GLP-1 receptor agonists that have been compared

Liraglutide



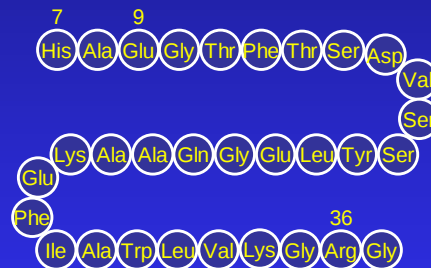
Single substitution [lys34→gly] and addition [glu26]; acylation with C-16 fatty acid (palmitoyl) confers albumin binding and heptamer formation

Exenatide (BID and QW)



Isolated from the saliva of the Gila Monster; 53% AA homology (1-30) to native human GLP-1

Native human GLP-1



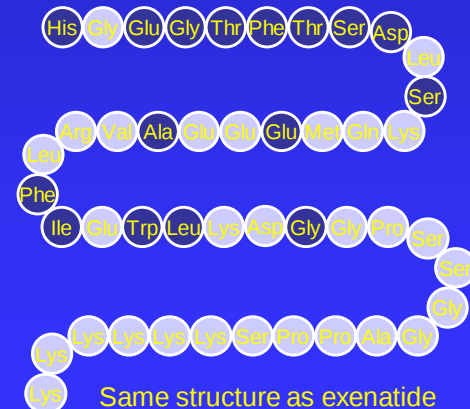
Circulates as GLP-1(7-37) or GLP-1(7-36) amide

Albiglutide

Two linked copies of recombinant human GLP-1(7-36) fused to albumin; Single substitution [ala8→gly]; fusion to albumin



Lixisenatide



Same structure as exenatide + SIP tail (lysine hexamer)

SGLT2-inhibitors

SGLT-2 inhibitors including:

- Dapagliflozin
- Empagliflozin
- Canagliflozin
- Ertugliflozin

Phlorizin (1933): Extracted from Bark of Apple Trees

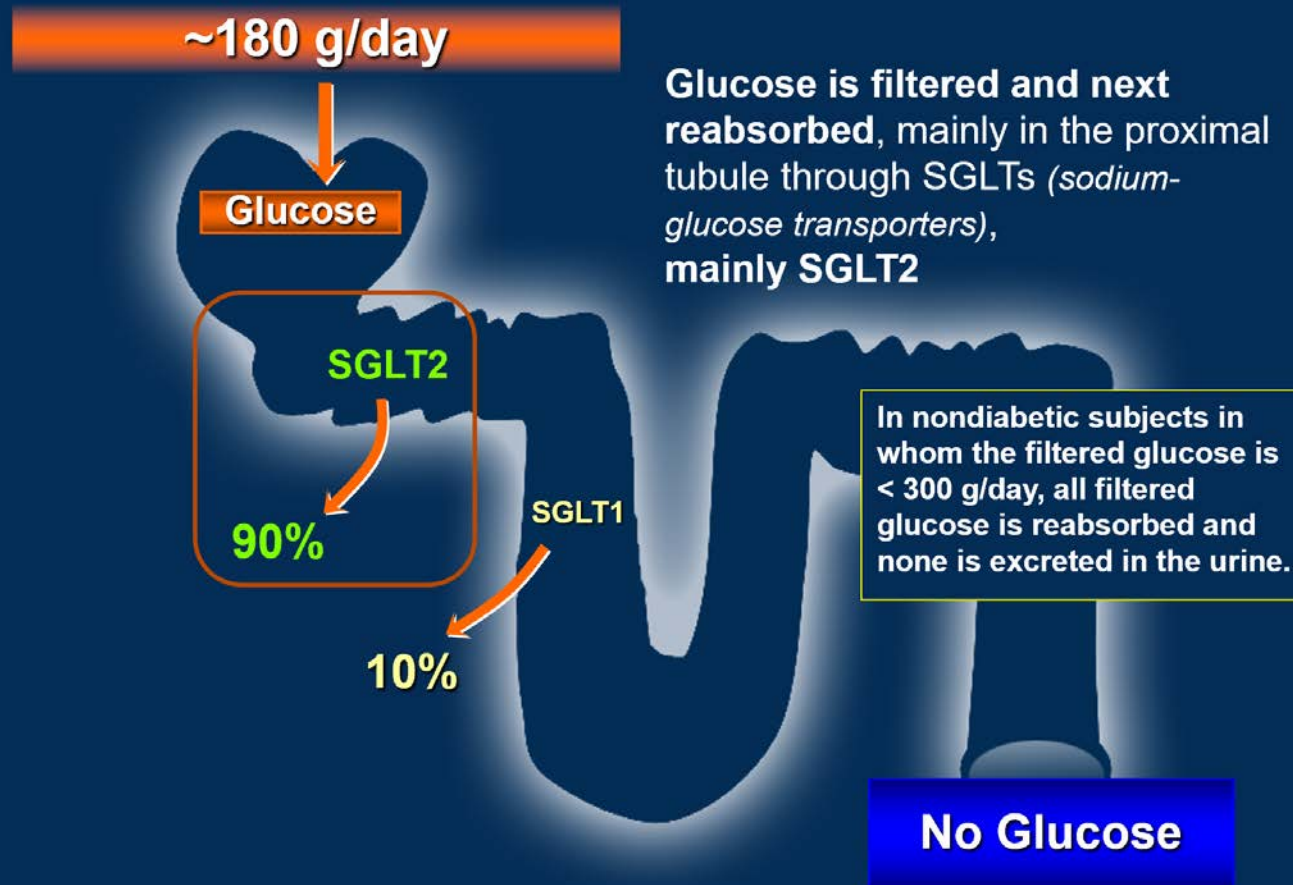


The example of SGLT2-inhibitors *which both:*

- *improve glucose control*
- *and prevent cardio-vascular events*

Renal Handling of Glucose

Non diabetic subject



SGLT2-inhibitors: induce an osmotic diuresis

Diabetic subjects

> 200 g/day

Glucose

SGLT2

Dapagliflozin
Canagliflozin
Empagliflozin

Decrease blood glucose
by inducing glycosuria

*(loss of glucose
but also related calories)*

Filtered glucose is not
reabsorbed and thus
eliminated in urine

SG (Sodium – Glucose) LTransporter 2-inhibitors:
induce not only glycosuria but also natriuresis

Glycosuria

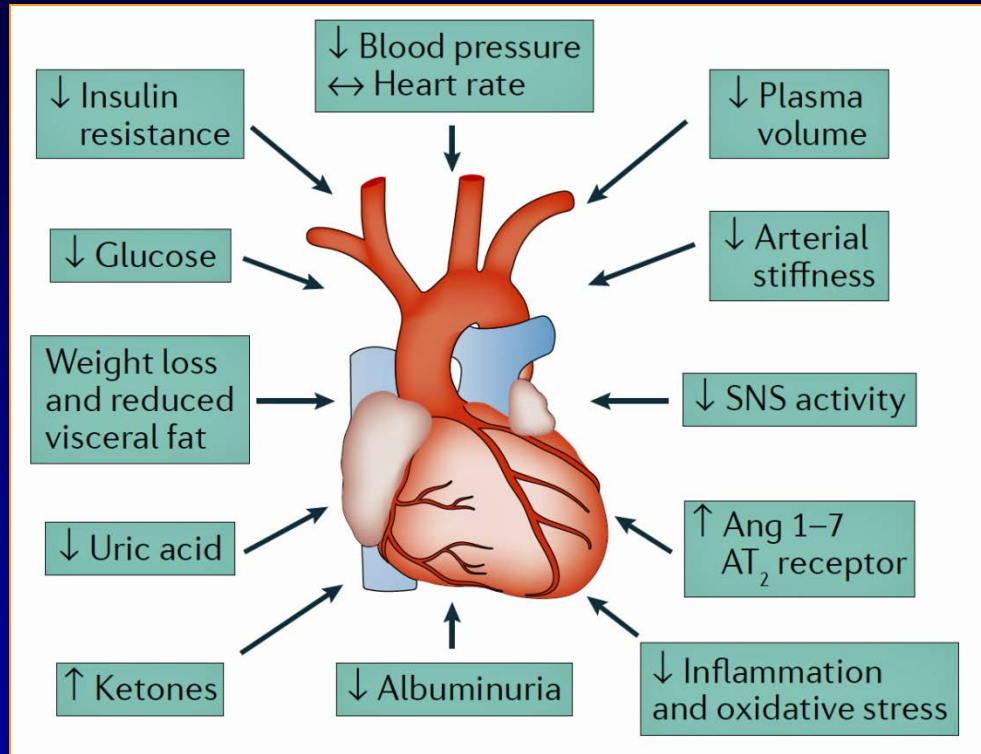
SGLT2-inhibitors

SGLT-2is are proved to be safe:

- No hypos
- No CKD (reduce albuminuria)
- Slightly increased urinary tract infections
- No CV risk (reduced)
- Rare *eDKA* (need education)
- Some genital infections (need educ.)

SGLT2-inhibitors: a positive CV profile

The mechanisms are speculative



The mechanisms of the renal protection (improvement of the tubulo-glomerular feed-back) are different

- **Diuretic effect** of SGLT2i can produce afterload reduction, leading to improved left ventricular function, reduced cardiac workload, and diminished myocardial oxygen demand
- **Preferential ketone oxidation** by myocardial cells could provide an energetic advantage to the failing heart
- **Synergy of metabolic benefits:** reduced blood pressure, reduced body weight, reduced blood glucose...
- **Other potential mechanisms** such as inhibition of cardiac sympathetic nerves, increased glucagon, decreased uric acid...

UTIs and genital infections

- All events were mild to moderate
- Most events responded to the initial course of standard therapy
- Pyelonephritis was uncommon and occurred at a similar frequency to control¹

Practical Tips :
Keep Clean , Keep Dry & drink regularly

	10 mg	Placebo- pool (m) ²
(%)		placebo (N=2295)
UTIs	4.3	3.7
Genital infection s	4.8	0.9

*Genital infection includes the preferred terms: Vulvovaginal mycotic infection, vaginal infection, balanitis, genital infection fungal, vulvovaginal candidiasis, vulvovaginitis, balanitis candida, genital candidiasis, genital infection, genital infection male, penile infection, vulvitis, vaginitis bacterial and vulval abscess.

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Dosage and Administration

- Recommended starting dose **10 mg once daily**
 - For patients who tolerate 10 mg and need further glycemic control, their dose can be **increased to 25 mg once daily**
 - Can be **taken with/without food** in the morning
 - Can be used alone or in combination with other common therapies
- No clinically meaningful interactions were observed when empagliflozin was co-administered with other commonly used medications, including pioglitazone
- A lower dose of insulin or insulin secretagogues (eg, sulphonylureas) may be needed to reduce the risk of hypoglycaemia when empagliflozin is used in combination with these agents

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Approach to the Management of Hyperglycemia

Patient/Disease Features

Risk of hypoglycemia/drug adverse effects

Disease Duration

Life expectancy

Relevant comorbidities

Established vascular complications

Patient attitude & expected treatment efforts

Resources & support system

more stringent ← A1C 7% → less stringent

low

high

newly diagnosed

long-standing

long

short

absent

Few/mild

severe

absent

Few/mild

severe

Usually not modifiable

highly motivated, adherent, excellent self-care capabilities

less motivated, nonadherent, poor self-care capabilities

readily available

limited

Potentially modifiable

American Diabetes Association Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes.
Glycemic targets. Diabetes Care 2017; 40 (Suppl. 1): S48-S56

More Stringent HbA1c Targets (6.0 – 6.5%)

- Short disease duration
- Long life expectancy
- No significant CVD

If this can be achieved without significant hypoglycemia or other adverse effects of treatment

Less Stringent HbA1c Targets (7.5 – 8.0% or even slightly higher)

- History of severe hypoglycemia
- Limited life expectancy
- Advanced complications
- Extensive comorbid conditions

In whom the target is difficult to attain despite intensive self-management education, repeated counseling, and effective doses of multiple glucose-lowering agents, including insulin

Conclusion:

- Not everyone benefits from aggressive glucose management
- It is important to individualize treatment targets

Changing the course of diabetes

The highest cost are the
cost of lost
opportunities...

