

# Platelet effects of anti-diabetes drugs

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# Agenda

- Thrombotic events and platelet dysfunction in diabetes
- Antidiabetes drugs and platelets



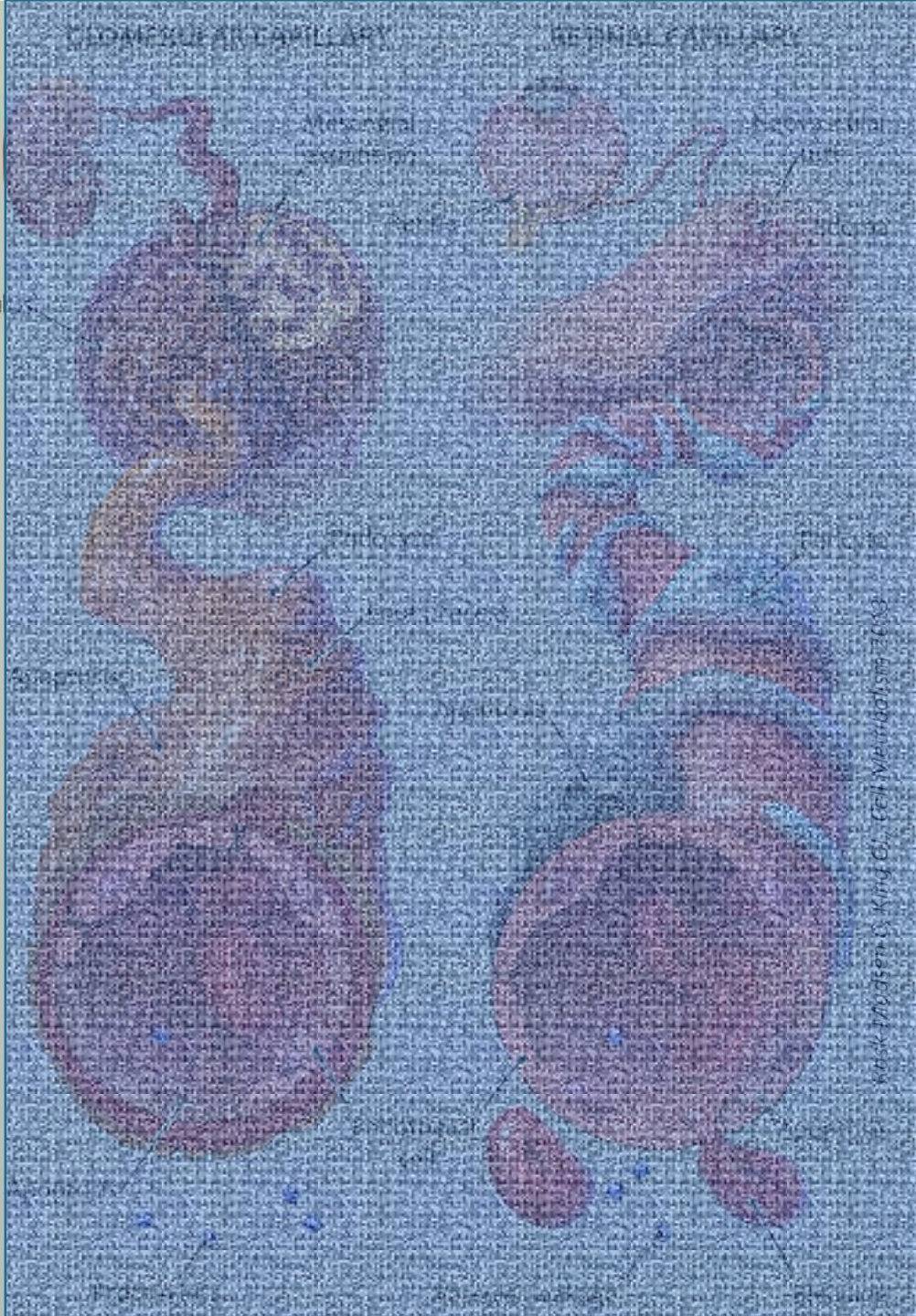
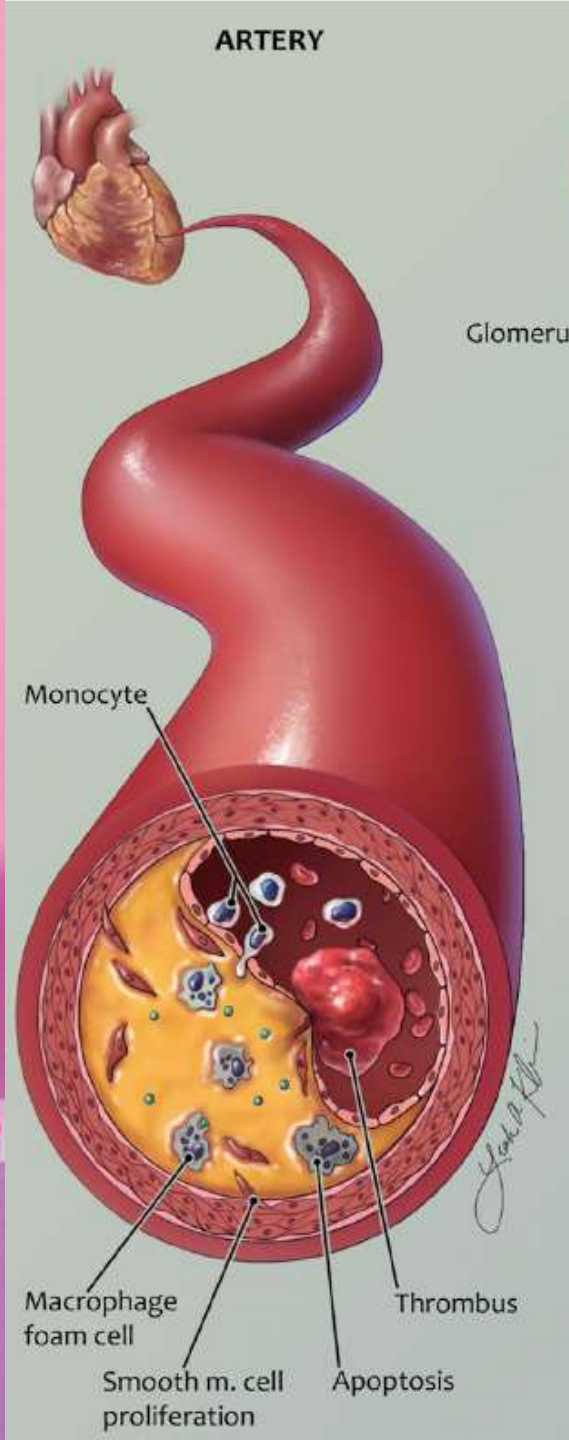
# Learning objectives

Understand the risk of thrombotic events in people with type 2 diabetes

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Acquire specific knowledge about the effects of anti-diabetes drugs with CV benefits on platelet dysfunction

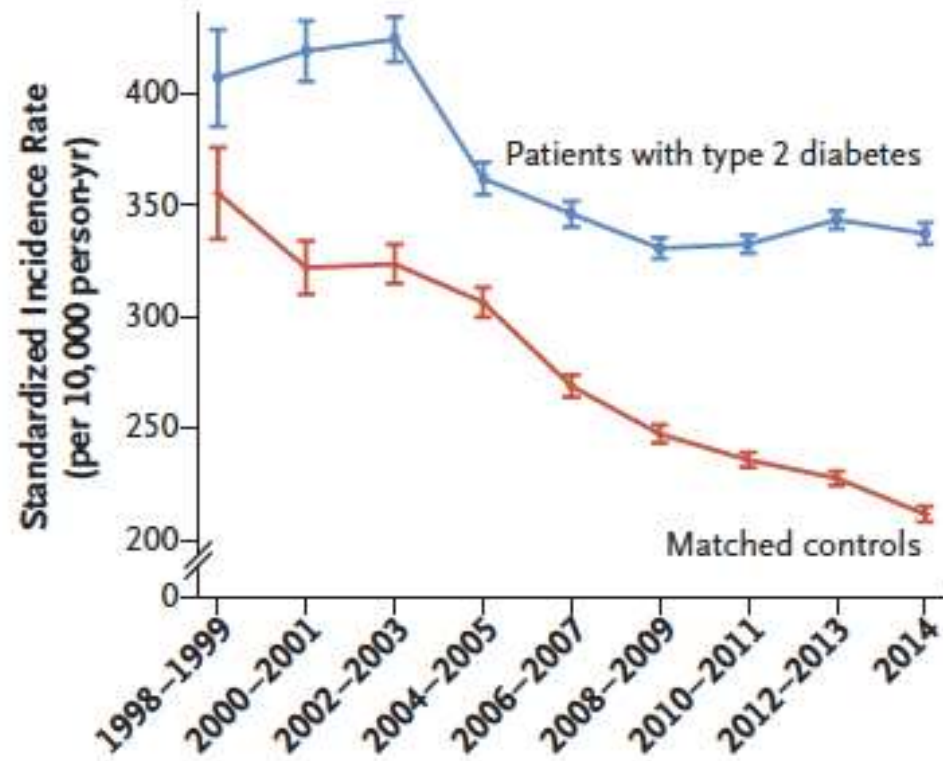




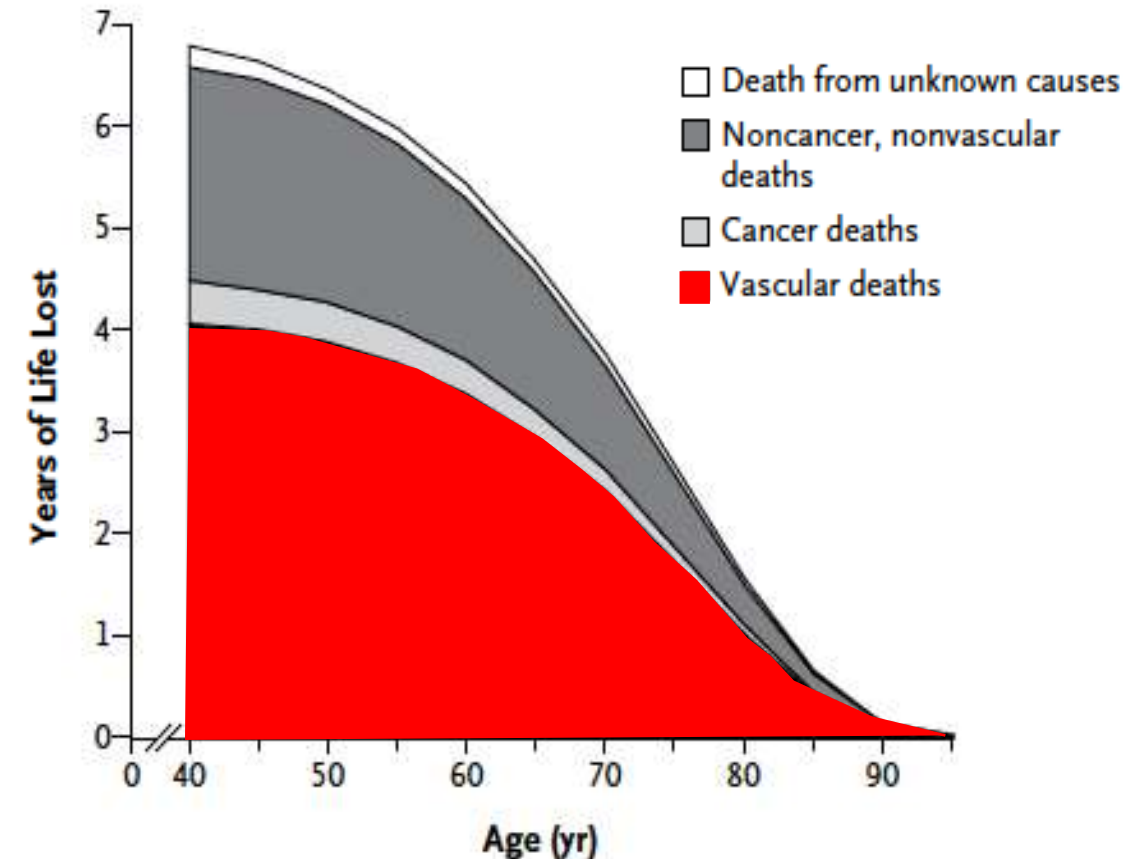


# High mortality rate in diabetes

A Death from Any Cause



# Causes of death in diabetes



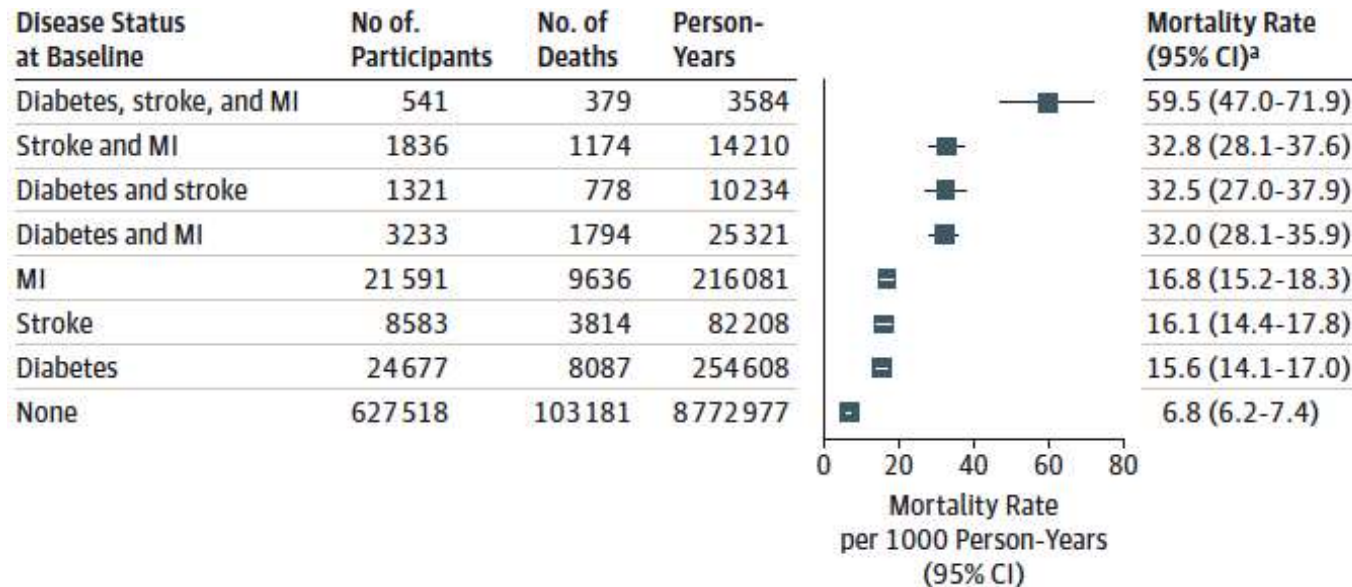
# Hazard ratios (HRs) for vascular outcomes in people with versus without diabetes at baseline, based on analyses of 530 083 patients

	Number of cases	HR (95% CI)	I <sup>2</sup> (95% CI)
Coronary heart disease*	26 505	2.00 (1.83–2.19)	64 (54–71)
Coronary death	11 556	2.31 (2.05–2.60)	41 (24–54)
Non-fatal myocardial infarction	14 741	1.82 (1.64–2.03)	37 (19–51)
Stroke subtypes*			
Ischaemic stroke	3 799	2.27 (1.95–2.65)	1 (0–20)
Haemorrhagic stroke	1 183	1.56 (1.19–2.05)	0 (0–26)
Unclassified stroke	4 973	1.84 (1.59–2.13)	33 (12–48)
Other vascular deaths	3 826	1.73 (1.51–1.98)	0 (0–26)

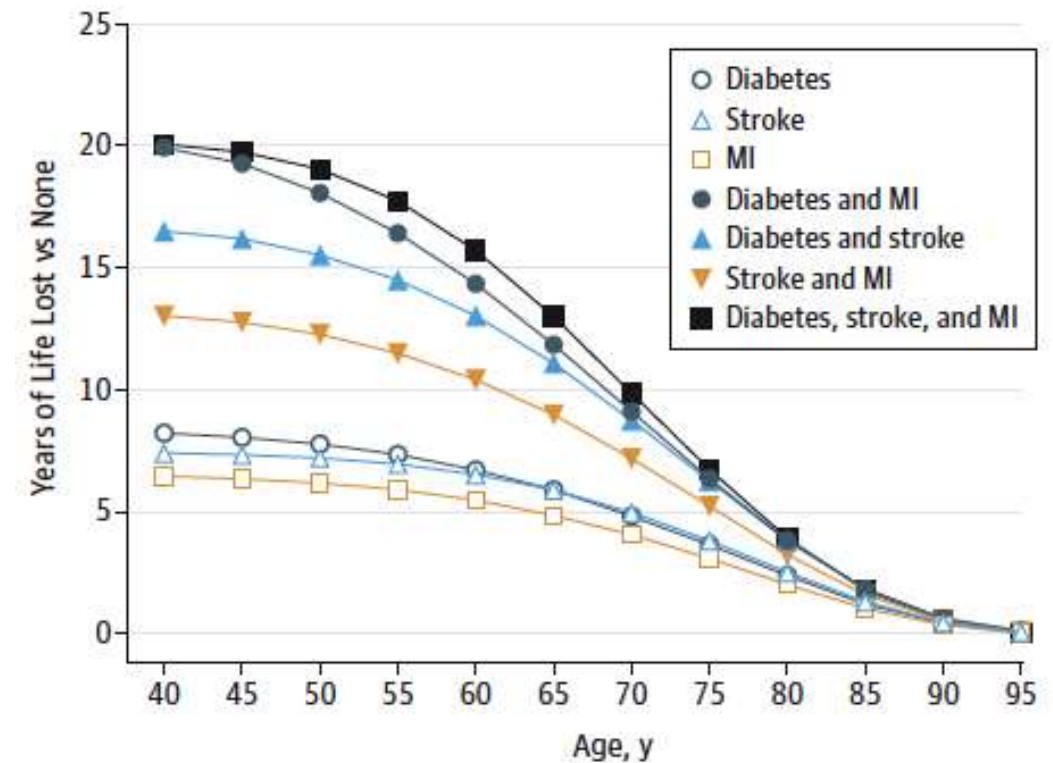
CI = confidence interval. \*Includes both fatal and non-fatal events

# Diabetes mellitus is a cardiovascular equivalent

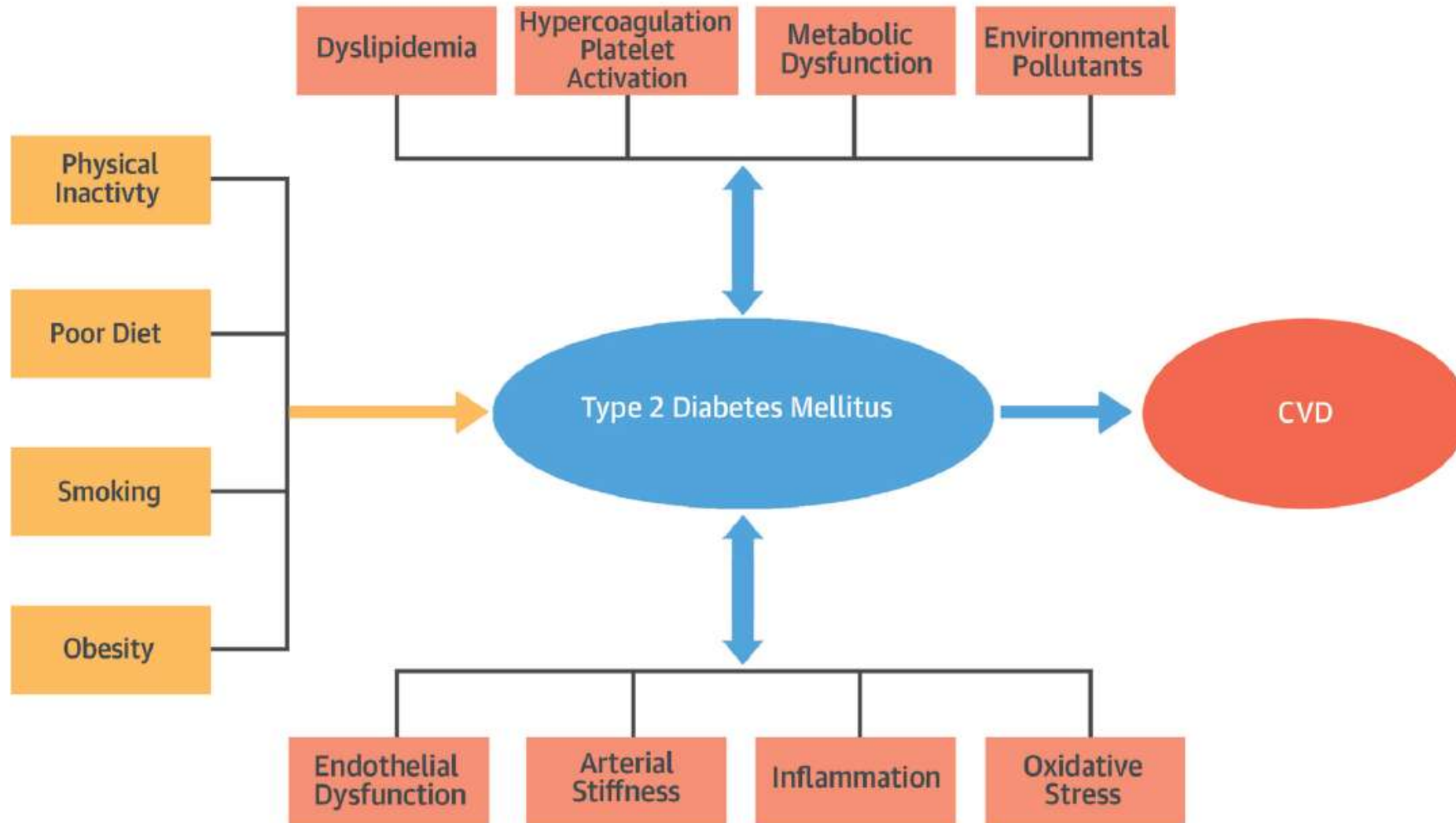
All-Cause Mortality by Disease Status



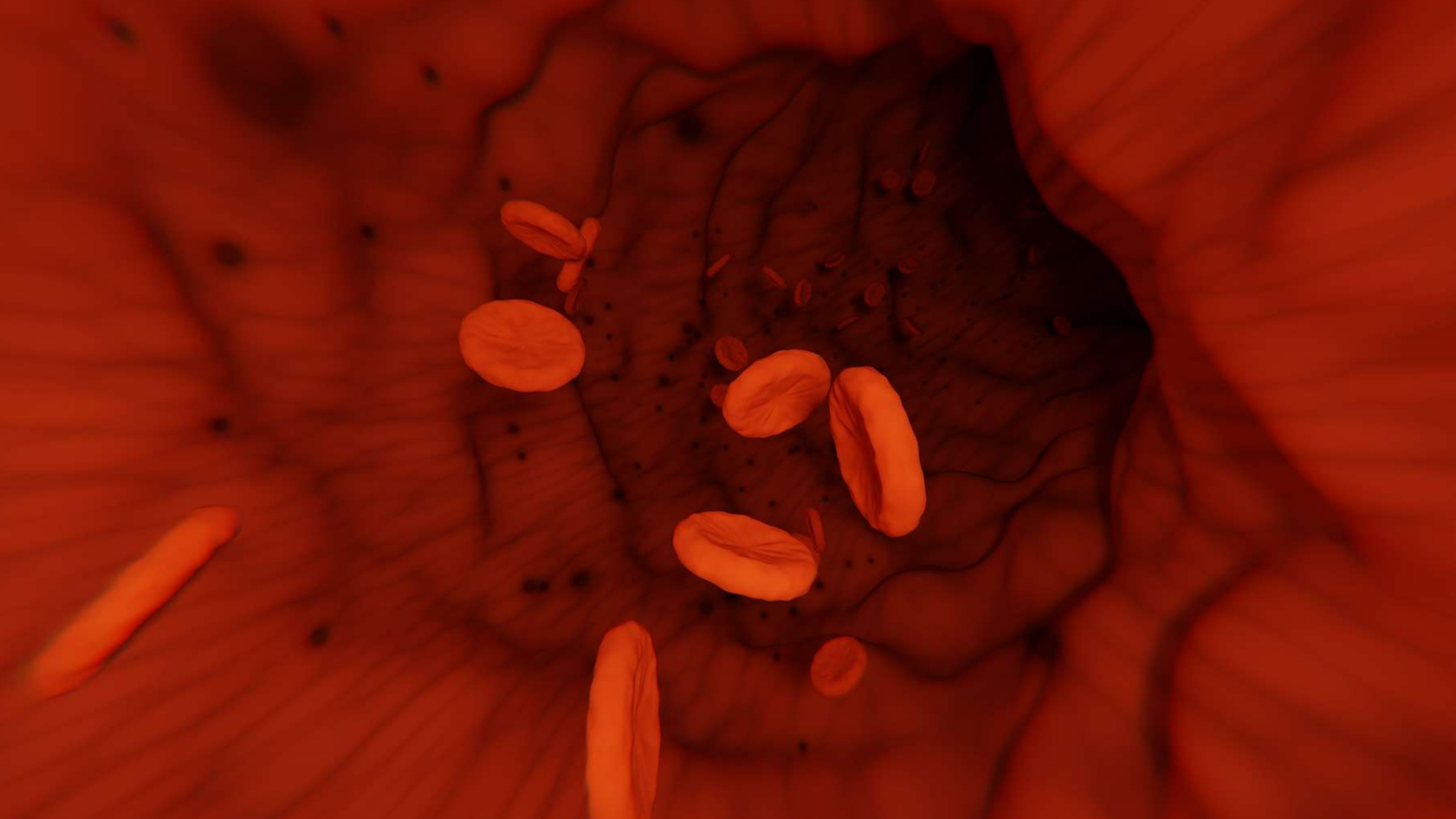
Modelling of Years of Life Lost by Disease Status



# T2D: a collector of CVD risk factors







# Platelet dysfunction in type 2 diabetes

People with T2D show:

- Impaired function of platelet receptors
- Impaired regulation of intracellular signal transduction
- Increased platelets' adhesion, activation and degranulation



**HYPER-REACTIVE PLATELETS**

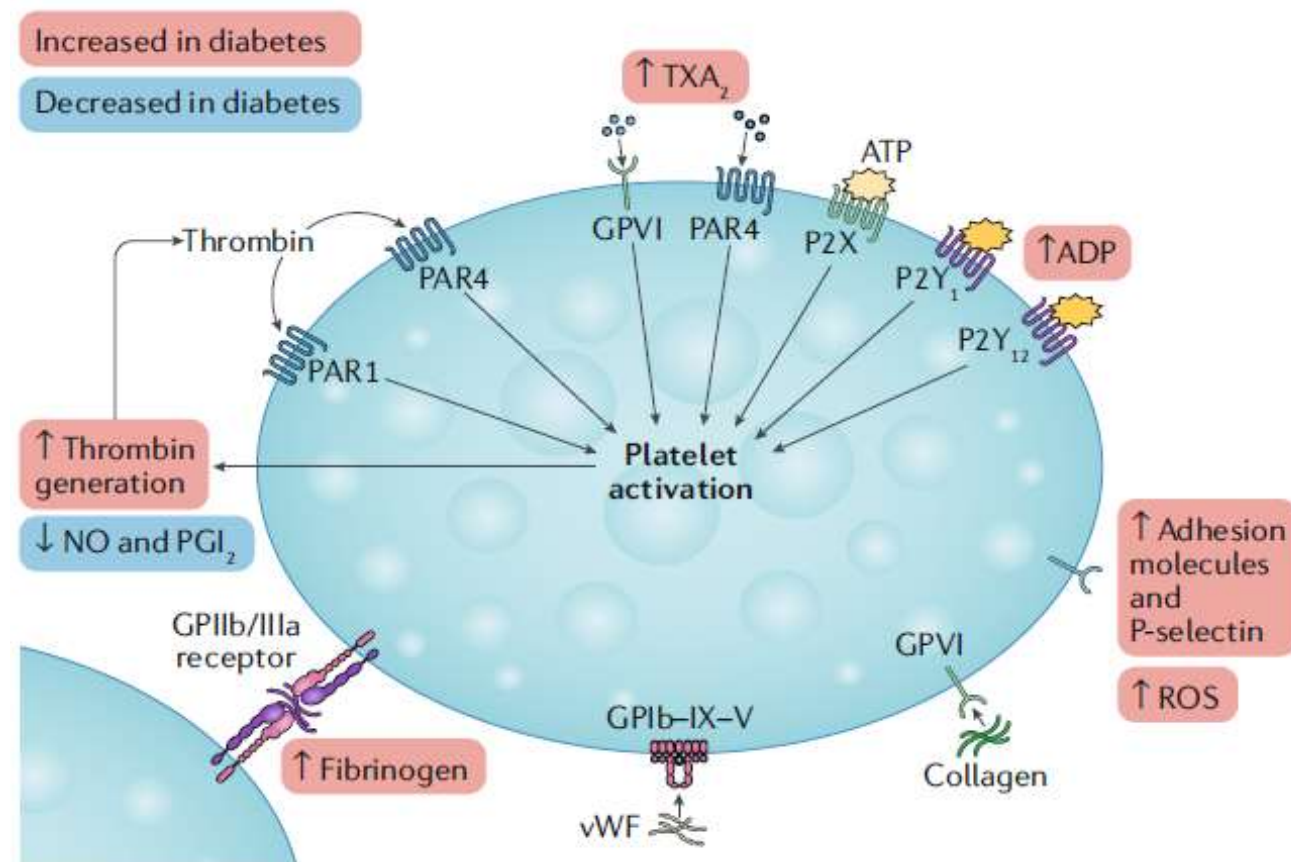
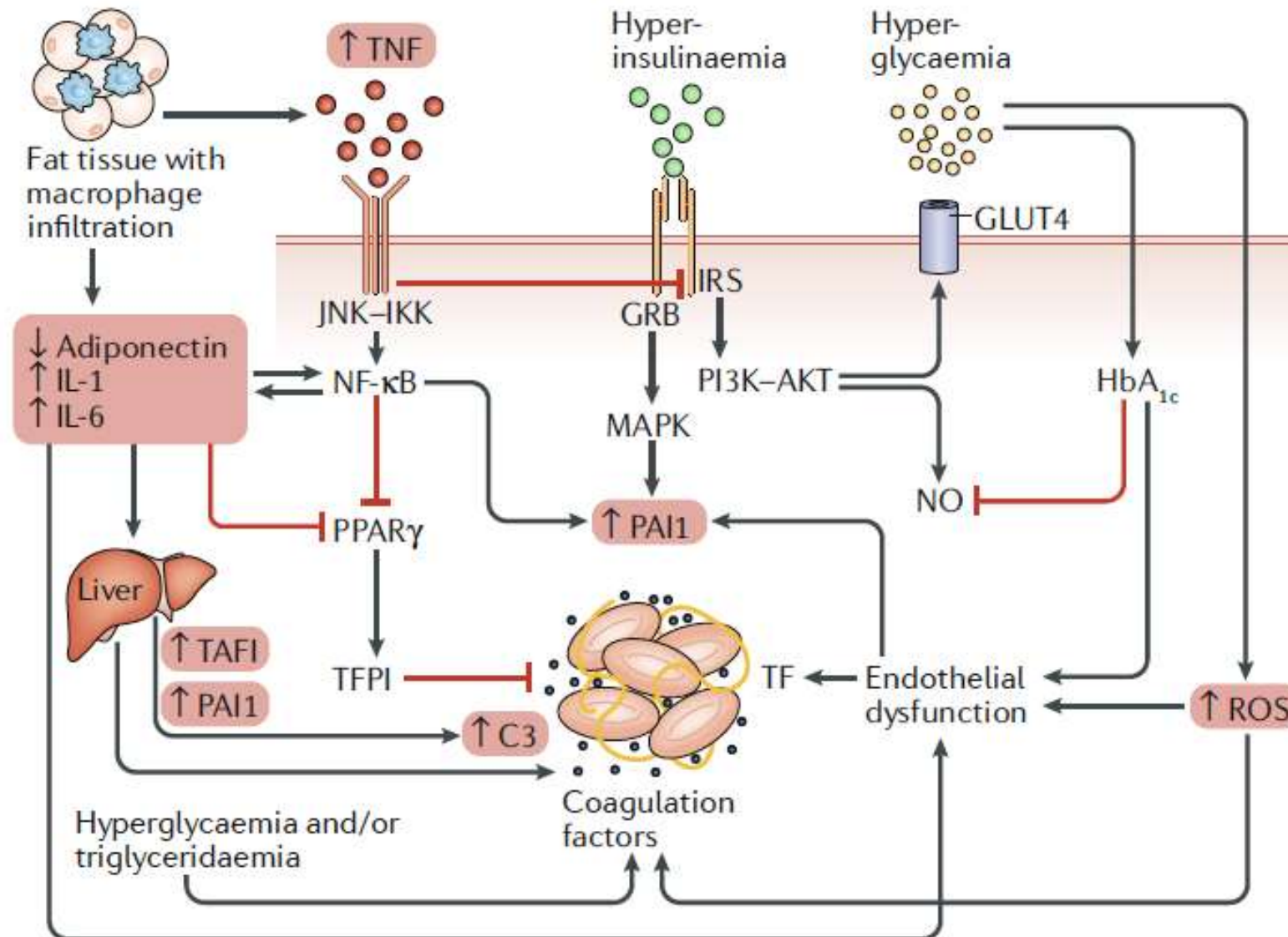


Table 2 | Thrombotic and fibrinolytic factors in diabetes mellitus

Factor	Function	Change in levels with diabetes	Effect
Tissue factor-coagulation factor VII	Initiates clot formation	↑	↑ Thrombosis
Fibrinogen	Forms fibrin clot	↑ (and ↑ glycation)	↑ Thrombosis and ↑ clot density
Thrombin	Converts fibrinogen to fibrin	↑	↑ Thrombosis and ↑ clot stability
Plasminogen activator inhibitor 1	Inhibits production of plasmin	↑	↓ Fibrinolysis
Plasminogen or plasmin	Breaks down fibrin clot	↓ (and ↑ glycation)	↓ Fibrinolysis and ↑ clot density
Carboxypeptidase B2	Inhibits fibrin breakdown	↑	Delayed clot lysis
Tissue-type plasminogen activator	Converts plasminogen to plasmin	↓	↓ Fibrinolysis
Complement C3	Complement system	↑	↑ Clot density
Glycated haemoglobin A <sub>1c</sub>	Reflects hyperglycaemic milieu	↑	↓ Nitric oxide bioavailability
Peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor-γ	Nuclear transcription factor	↓	↓ Inhibitor of the tissue factor pathway

# Procoagulant patterns in type 2 diabetes





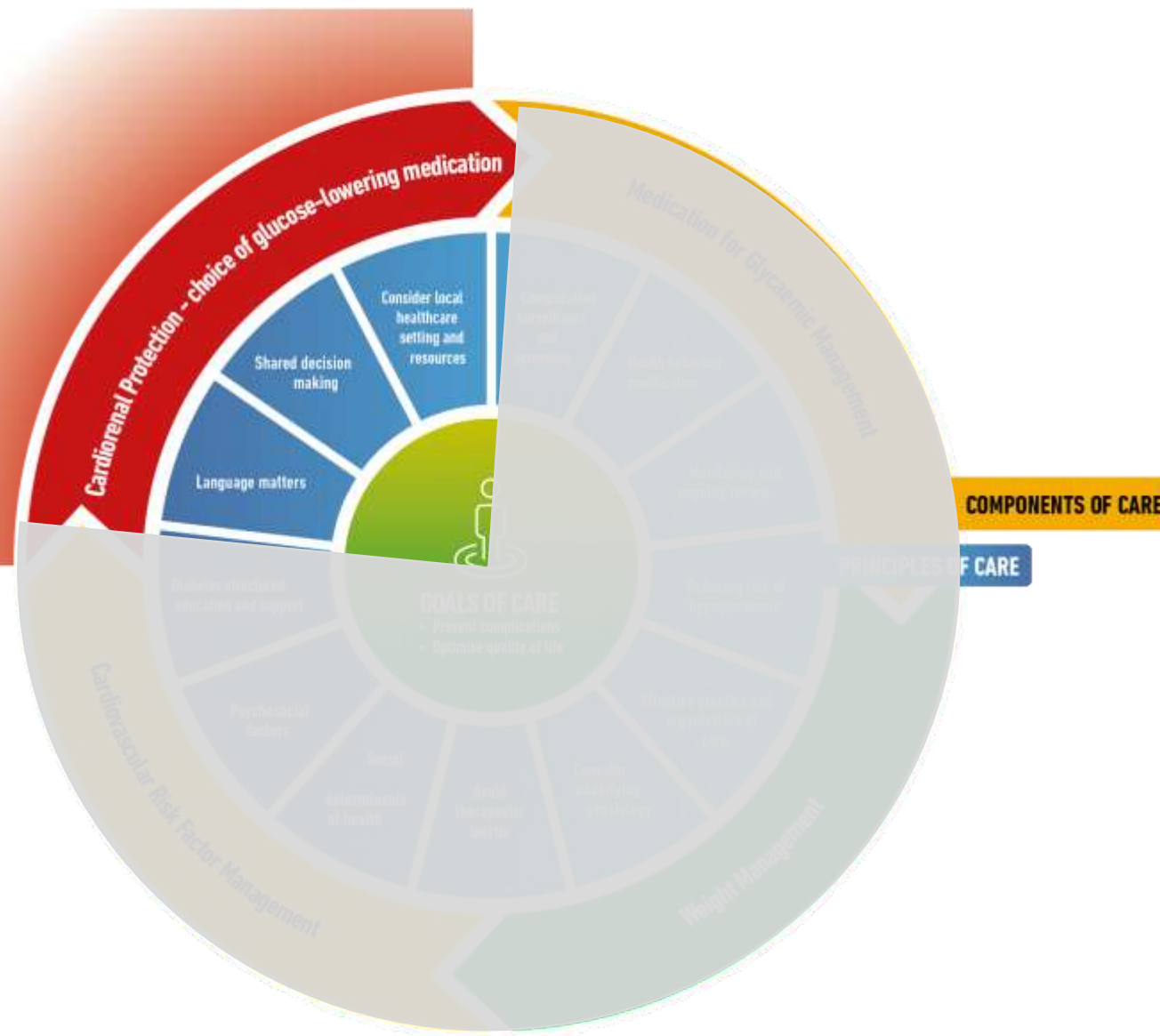
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**FIGURE 4: HOLISTIC PERSON-CENTRED APPROACH TO T2DM MANAGEMENT**

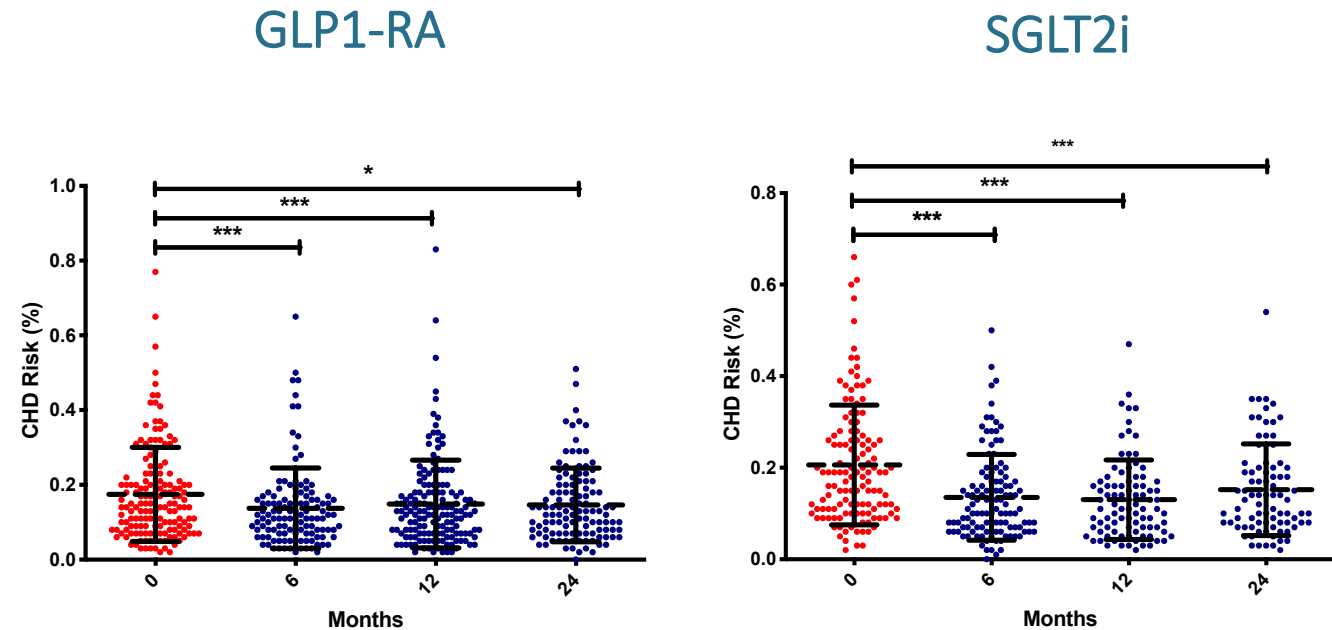


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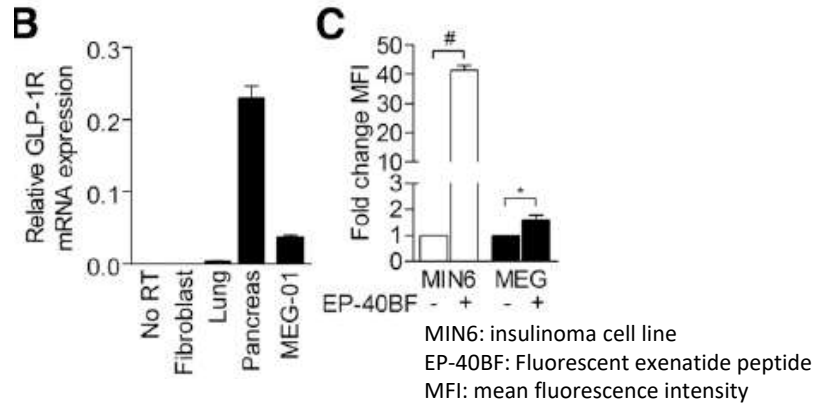
# Change of coronary heart disease risk during 24 months therapy with GLP1-receptor agonists or SGLT2 inhibitors in patients in primary cardiovascular prevention

- Retrospective study
- People with T2D without previous CV events starting a GLP1-RA (n=174) or a SGLT2i (n=138)
- Primary outcome: change in CHD risk over 24 months

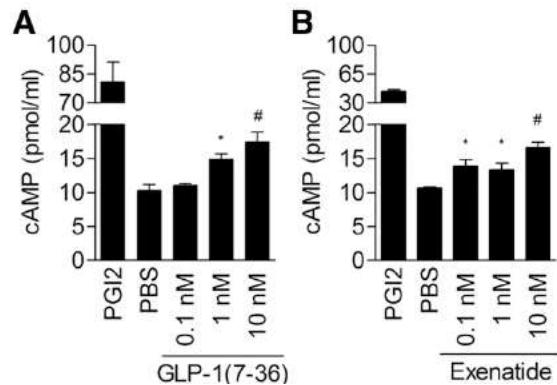


# Glucagon-like peptide 1 receptor activation attenuates platelet aggregation and thrombosis

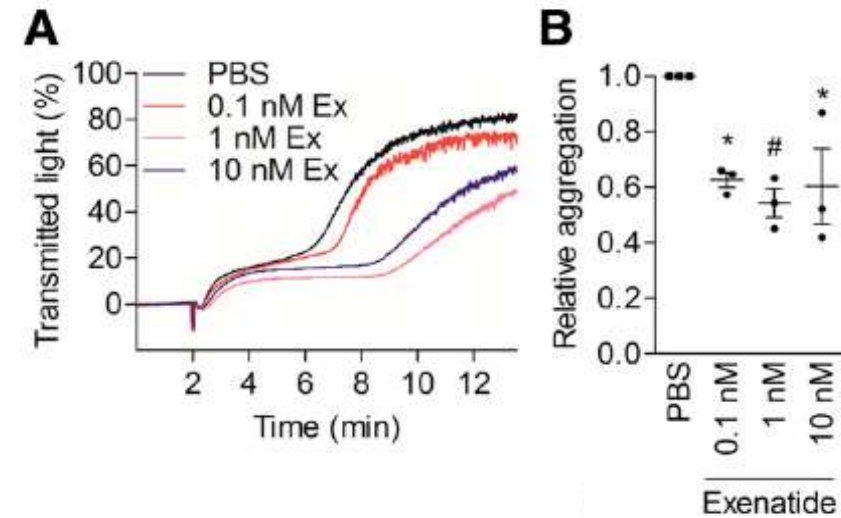
Megakaryocytes (MEG) express GLP1-Receptors



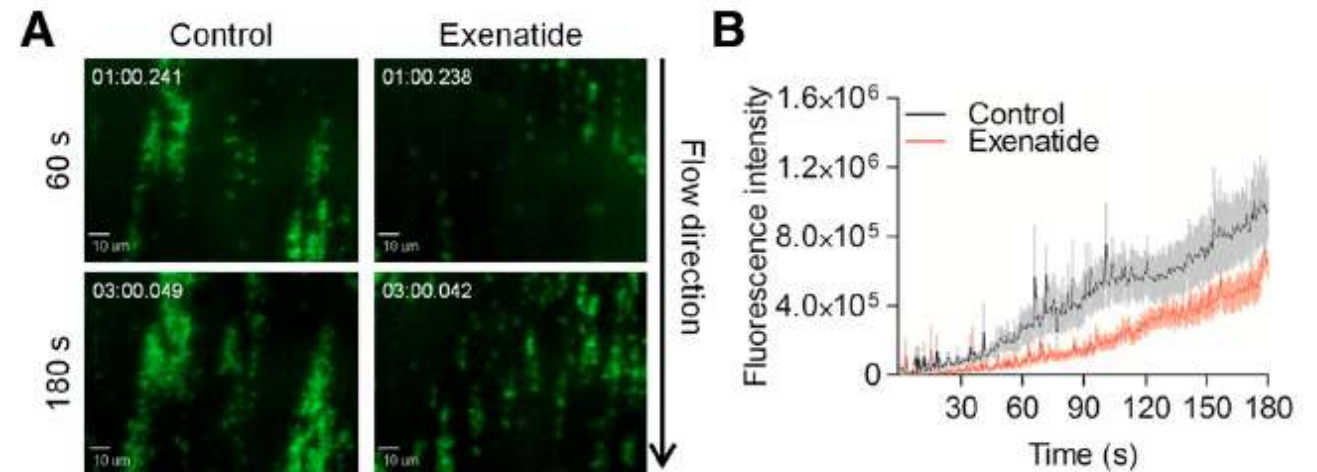
GLP1 induces intracellular signaling in megakaryocytes



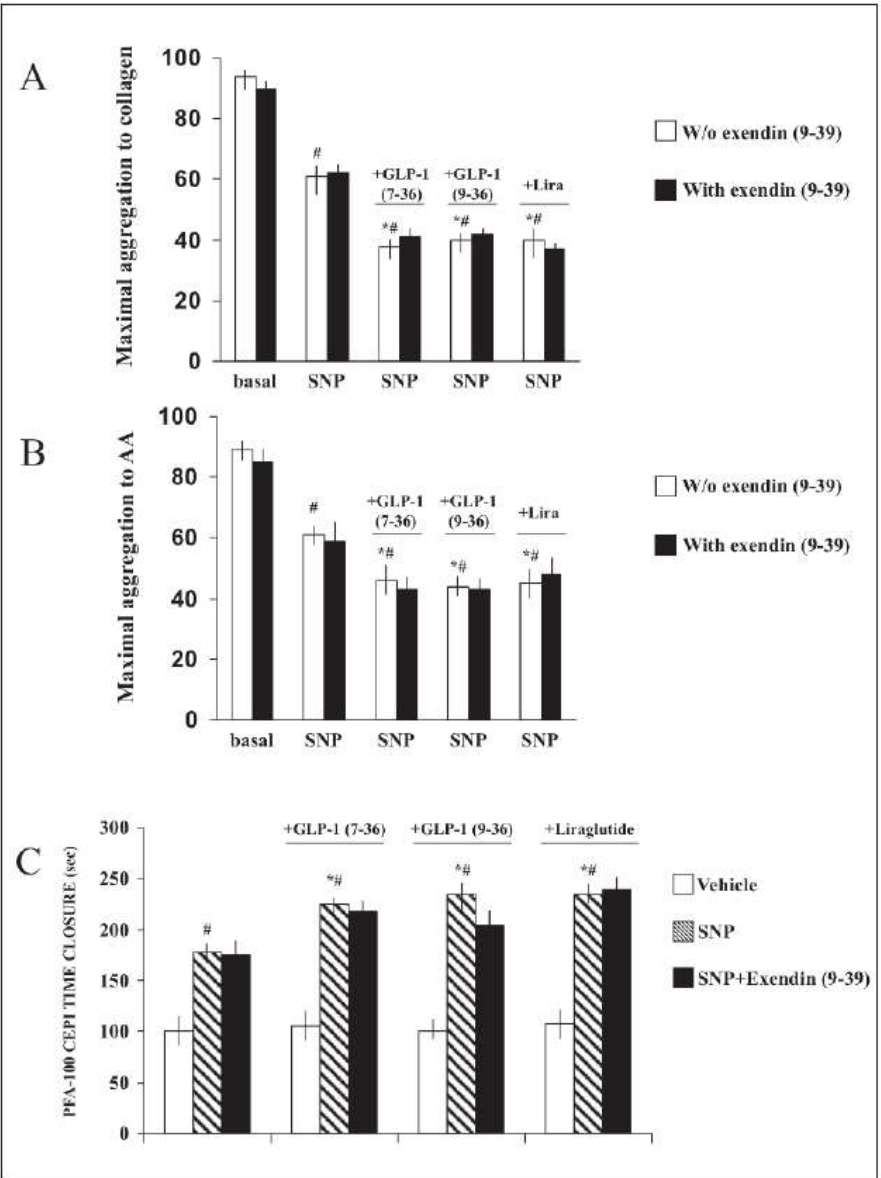
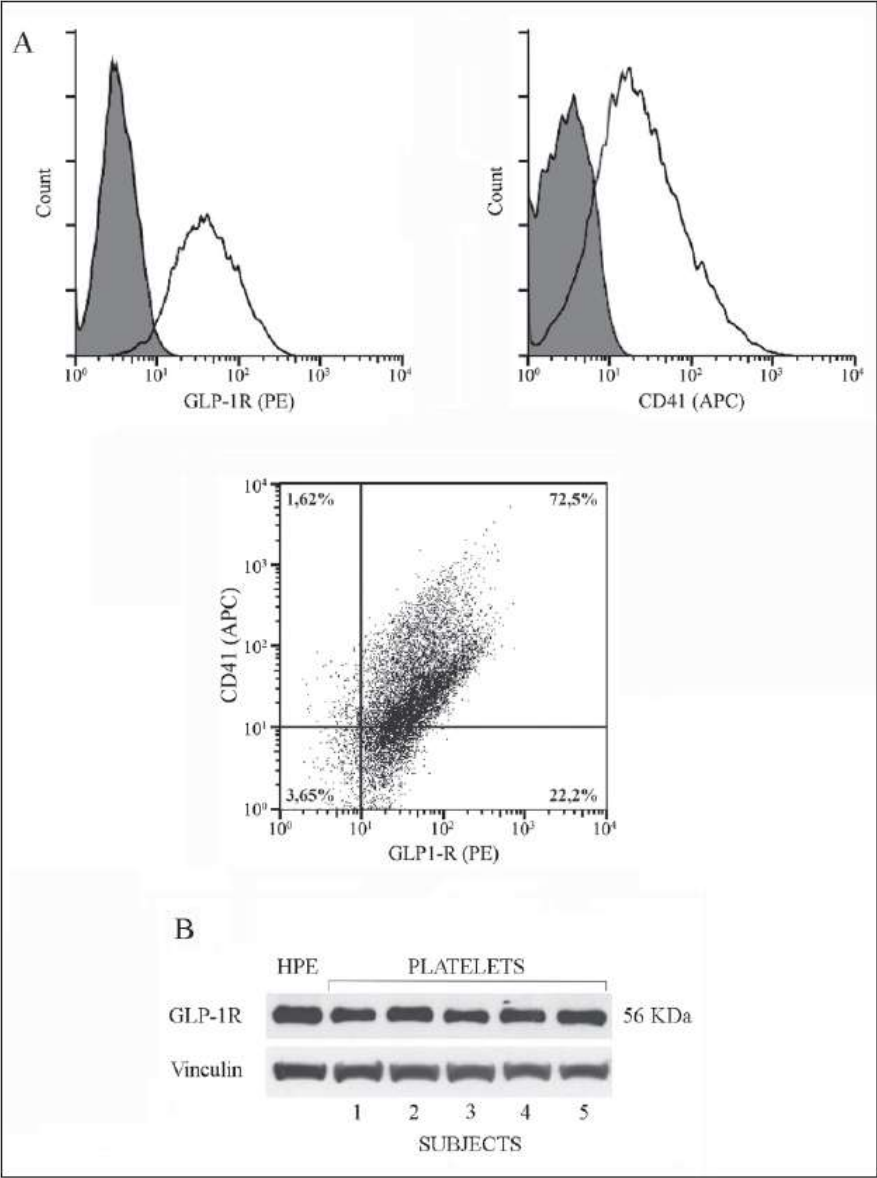
GLP-1RA attenuates thrombin- induced platelet aggregation



GLP-1RA inhibits collagen-induced thrombus growth



# Glucagon-like peptide 1 reduce platelet aggregation





# GLP1-RA / SGLT2i CVOTS

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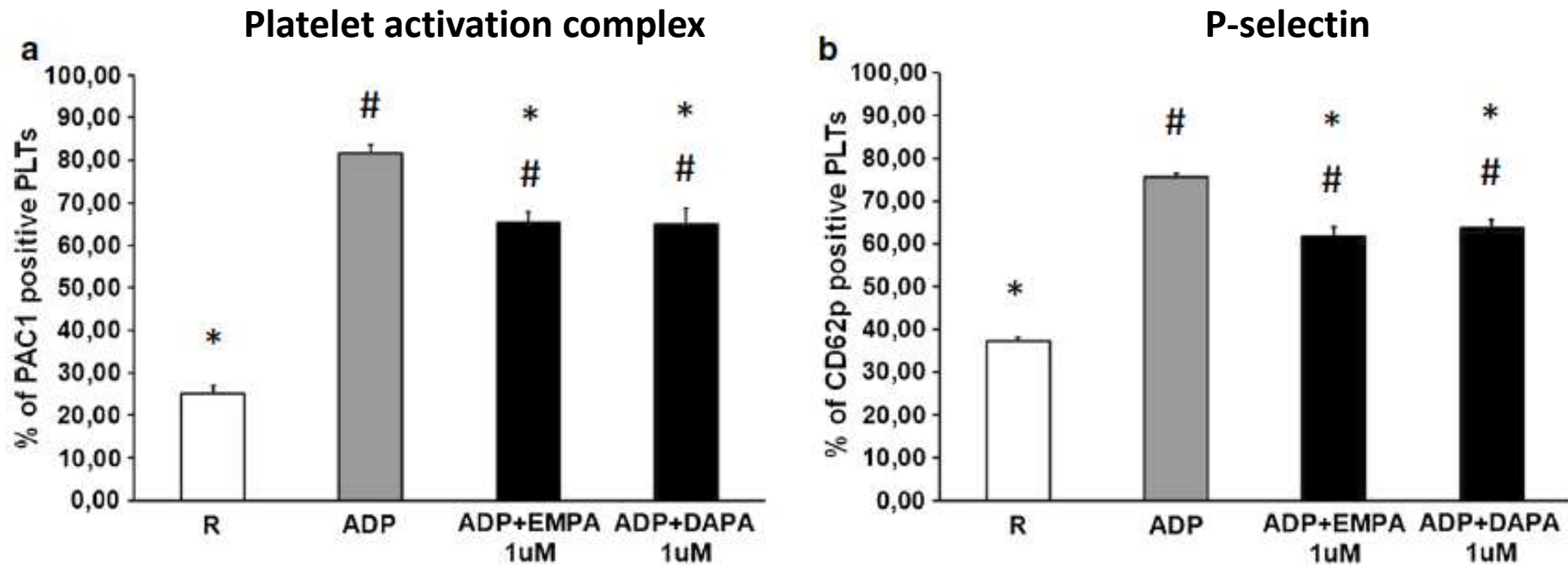
Trial	Drug	N of subjects	% with overt CVD	Median FUP (years)	HR [95% CI] Primary	HR [95% CI] CV death	HR [95% CI] MI	HR [95% CI] Stroke
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## GLP1 Receptor Agonists

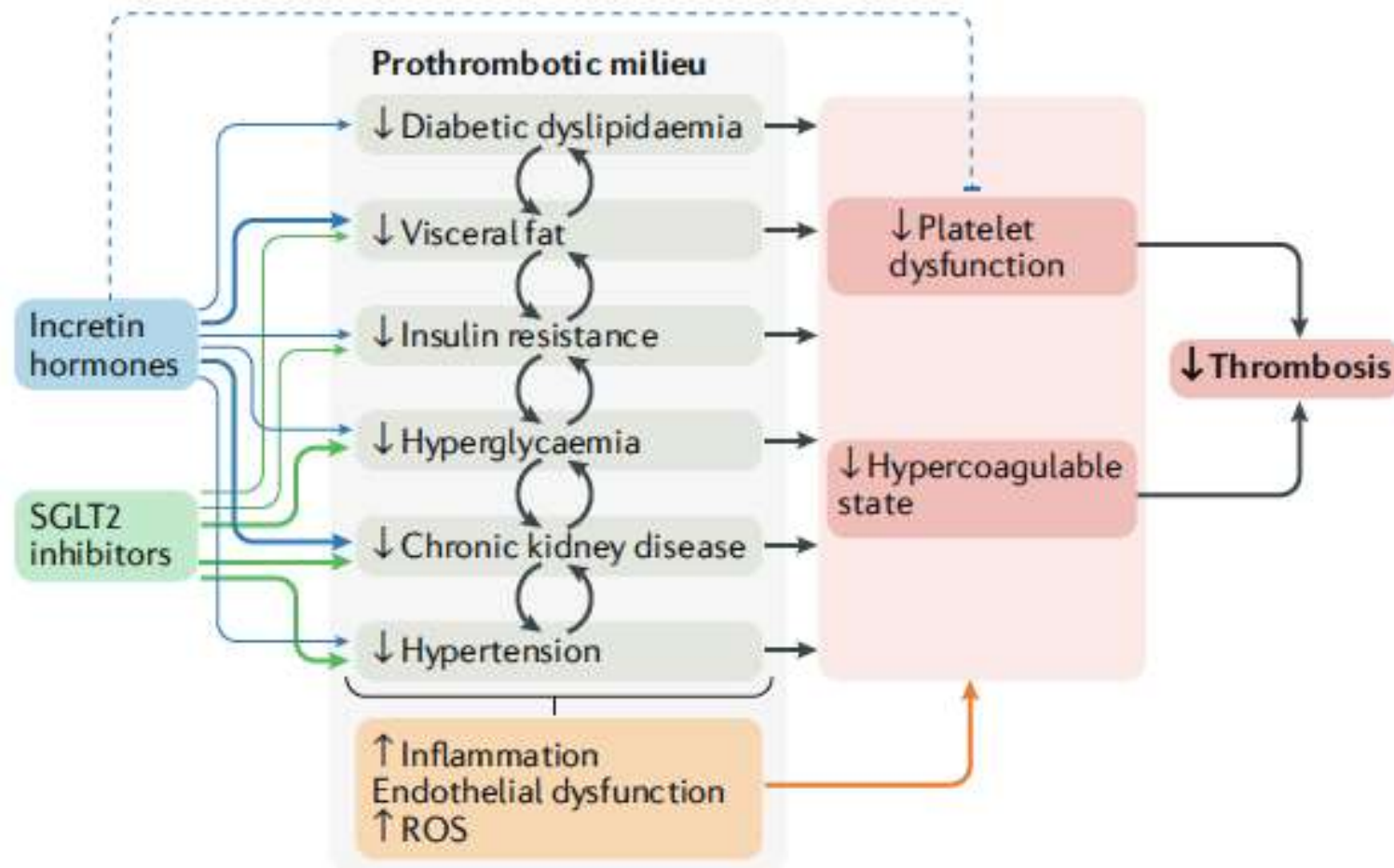
ELIXA	Lixisenatide	6068	100%	2.1	1.02 [0.89-1.17]	0.98 [0.78-1.22]	1.03 [0.87-1.22]	1.12 [0.79-1.58]
LEADER	Liraglutide	9340	81%	3.8	0.87 [0.78-0.97]	0.78 [0.66-0.93]	0.86 [0.73-1.00]	0.86 [0.71-1.06]
SUSTAIN	Semaglutide (sc)	3297	83%	2.1	0.74 [0.58-0.95]	0.98 [0.65-1.48]	0.74 <sup>#</sup> [0.51-1.08]	0.61 <sup>#</sup> [0.38-0.99]
EXSCEL	Exenatide	14752	73%	3.2	0.91 [0.83-1.00]	0.88 [0.76-1.02]	0.97 [0.85-1.10]	0.85 [0.70-1.03]
HARMONY	Albiglutide	9463	100%	1.6	0.78 [0.68-0.90]	0.93 [0.73-1.19]	0.75 [0.61-0.90]	0.86 [0.66-1.14]
REWIND	Dulaglutide	9901	31%	5.4	0.88 [0.79-0.99]	0.91 [0.78-1.06]	0.96 [0.79-1.16]	0.76 [0.61-0.95]
PIONEER	Semaglutide (os)	3183	85%	1.3	0.79 [0.57-1.11]	0.49 [0.27-0.92]	1.18 [0.73-1.90]	0.74 [0.35-1.17]

# SGLT2i antagonize ADP-dependent activation in human platelets

- Platelets do not express SGLT2
- Platelets express Na/H exchanger (NHE), another potential target of SGLT2i



# Pleiotropic and synergistic effects of GLP1-RA and SGLT2i



# Metformin

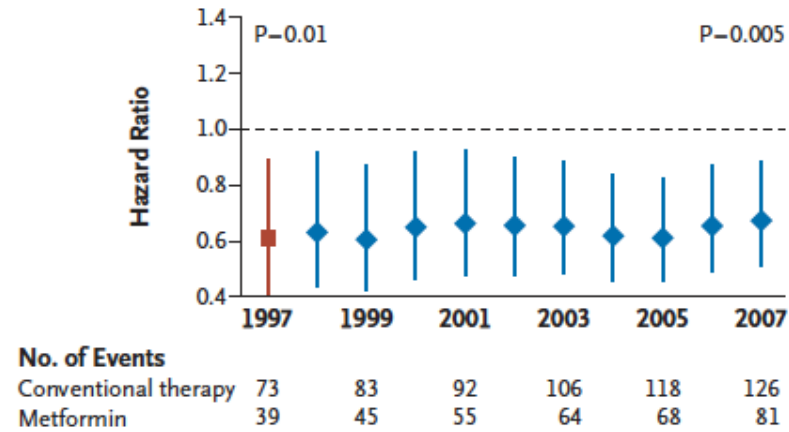
	Efficacy <sup>1</sup>	Hypoglycaemia	Weight change <sup>2</sup>	CV effects		Renal effects		Oral/SQ	Cost
				Effect on MACE	HF	Progression of DKD	Dosing/use considerations*		
Metformin	High	No	Neutral (potential for modest loss)	Potential benefit	Neutral	Neutral	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contraindicated with eGFR &lt;30 ml/min per 1.73 m<sup>2</sup></li> </ul>	Oral	Low

Traditionally recommended as first-line glucose-lowering therapy for type 2 diabetes, because of its high efficacy in lowering HbA<sub>1c</sub>, minimal hypoglycaemia risk when used as monotherapy, potential for some modest weight loss, good safety profile, low cost

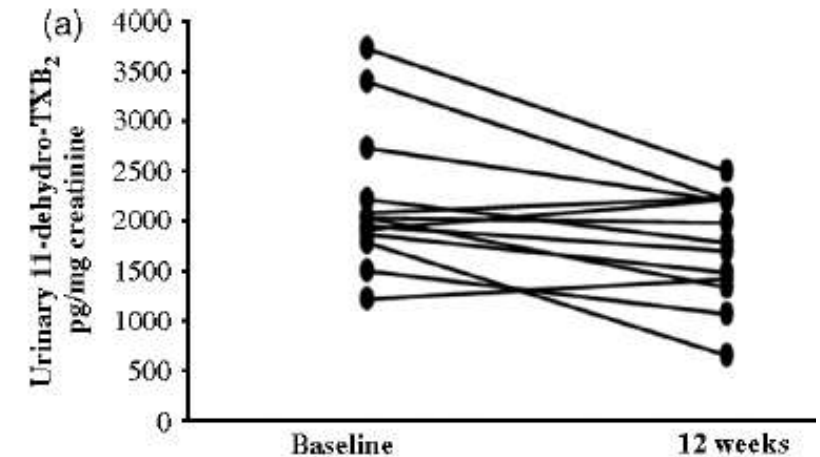
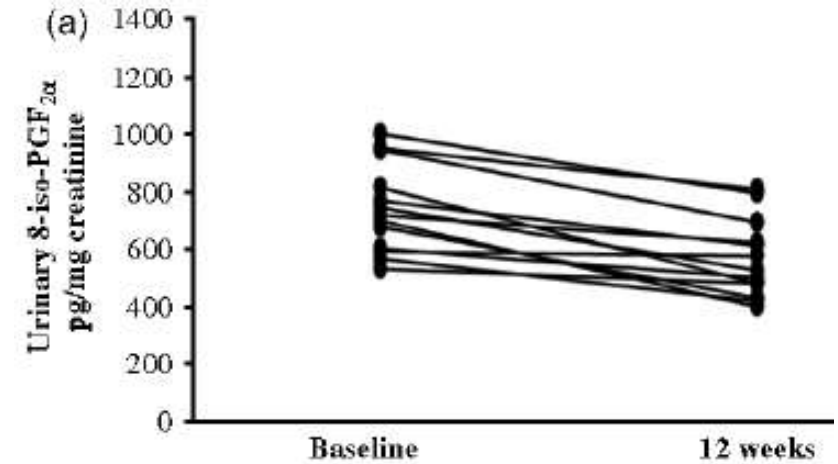
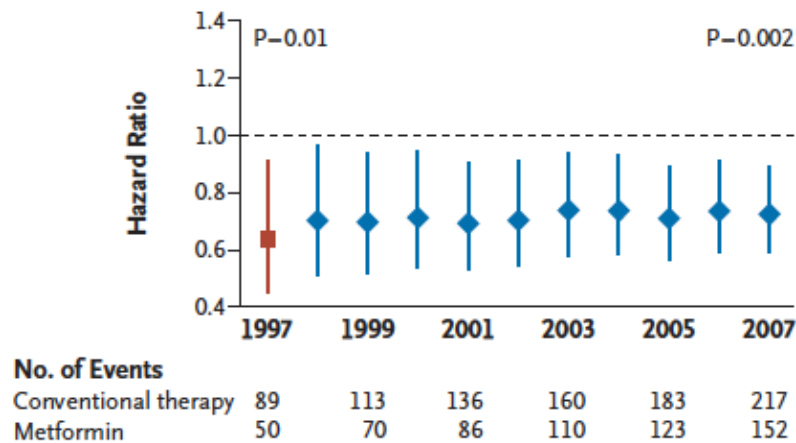


# Metformin – CV & platelet effects

**D Myocardial Infarction**



**H Death from Any Cause**



# Objectives learned

Understand the risk of thrombotic events in people with type 2 diabetes

- Type 2 diabetes is a CV event equivalent

Learn about the effects of diabetes on platelet function

- Platelet dysfunction is a main mechanism of CV disease in diabetes

Acquire specific knowledge about the effects of anti-diabetes drugs with CV benefits on platelet dysfunction

- Platelets express GLP1 receptors
- GLP1-RA impact on platelet function in clinical studies
- Limited evidence for platelet effects of SGLT2i
  - In vitro evidence seems to suggest that SGLT2i may affect platelets by NHE
- Metformin has CV benefits
  - Only few studies performed on platelet function

# Heart failure and diabetes therapy

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- News for HF therapy from diabetes drugs
  - SGLT2i
  - Finerenone
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# What Is Heart Failure?

## Proposed Universal Definition of HF<sup>1</sup>

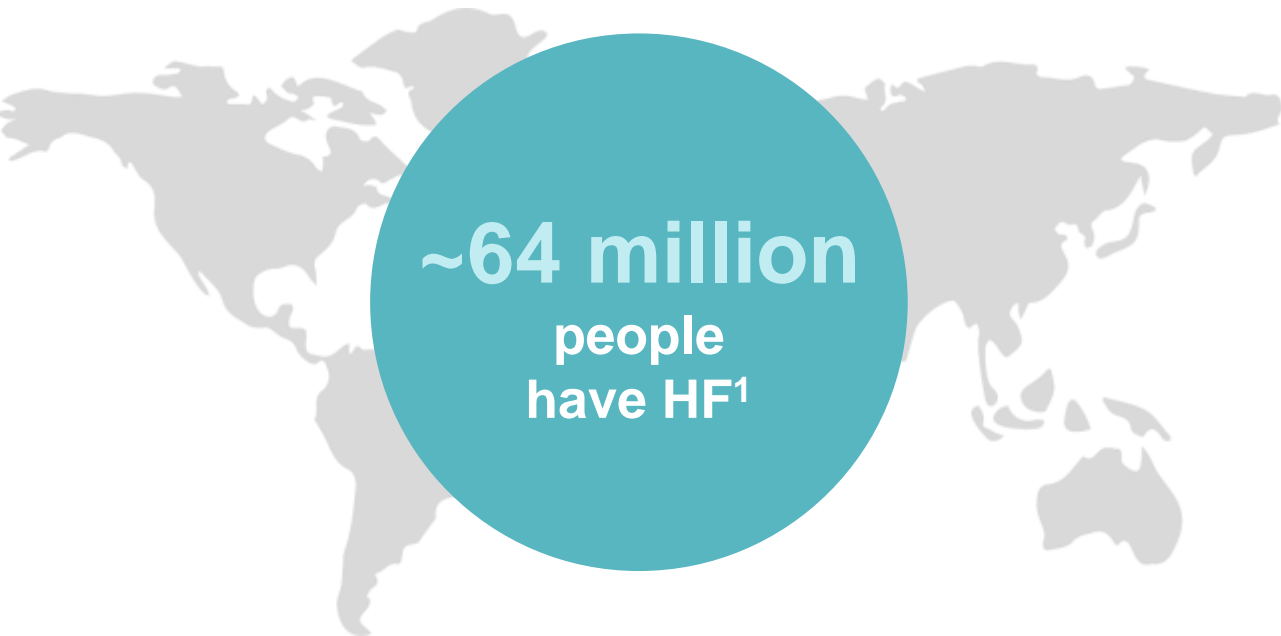


Clinical syndrome with symptoms and/or signs caused by a structural and/or functional cardiac abnormality and corroborated by elevated natriuretic peptide levels and/or objective evidence of pulmonary or systemic congestion.

## HF Categories According to LVEF<sup>2</sup>

HFrEF	HFmrEF	HFpEF
HF with reduced EF LVEF $\leq 40\%$	HF with mildly reduced EF LVEF 41-49%	HF with preserved EF LVEF $\geq 50\%$

# Heart Failure Is a Major Public Health Problem Worldwide



**~64 million**  
people  
have HF<sup>1</sup>



Projected **~24% rise in cases**  
between 2012 and 2030<sup>2</sup>



5-year **mortality rate ~50%**<sup>3</sup>



HF **mortality risk is similar** to some of the  
common cancers in both men and women<sup>4</sup>



Economic burden **~350 billion US dollars**<sup>2</sup>



**Over 50%** of patients with HF have **HFpEF**<sup>5</sup>

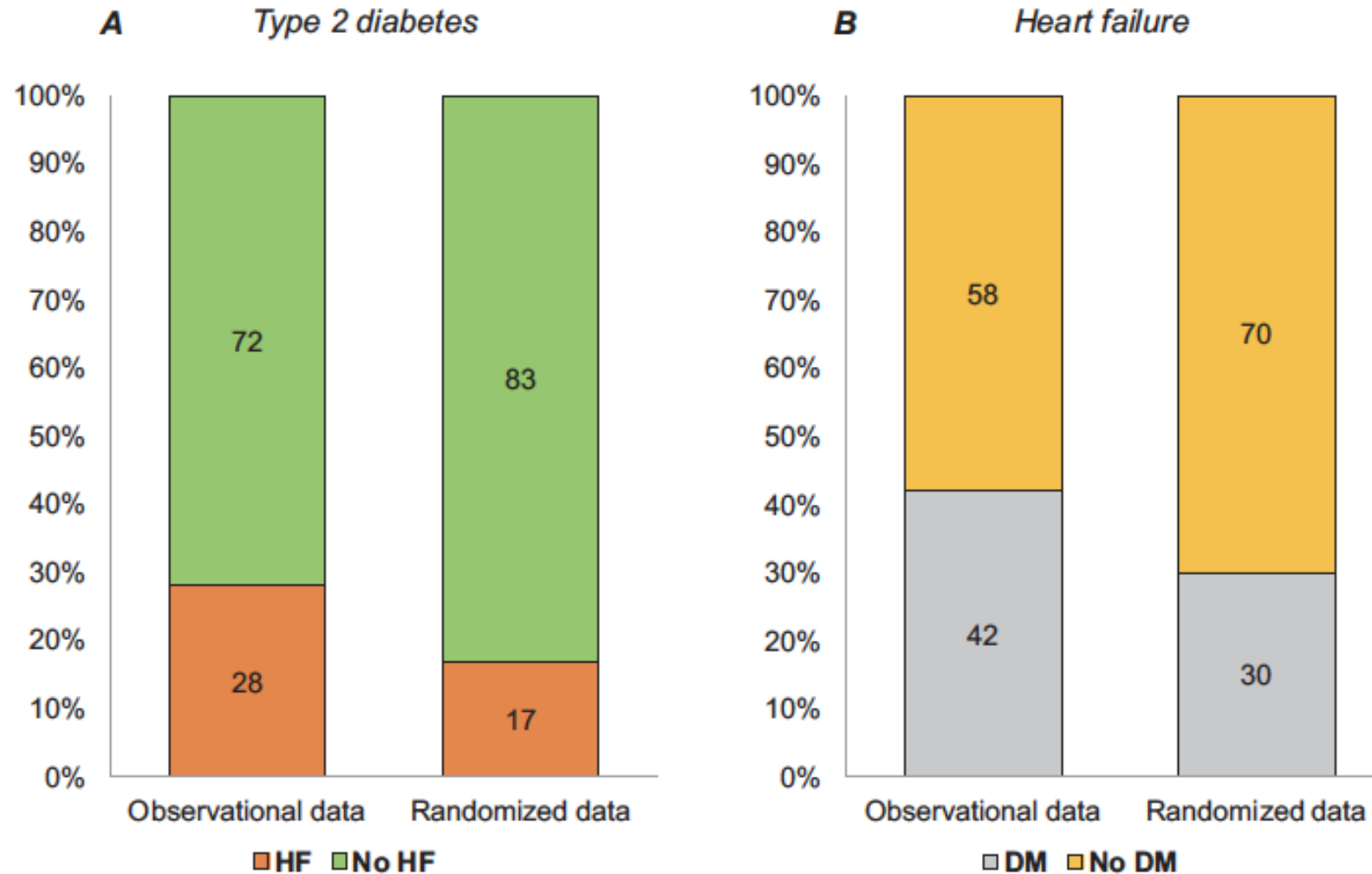
HF = heart failure; HFpEF = heart failure with preserved ejection fraction; US = United States.

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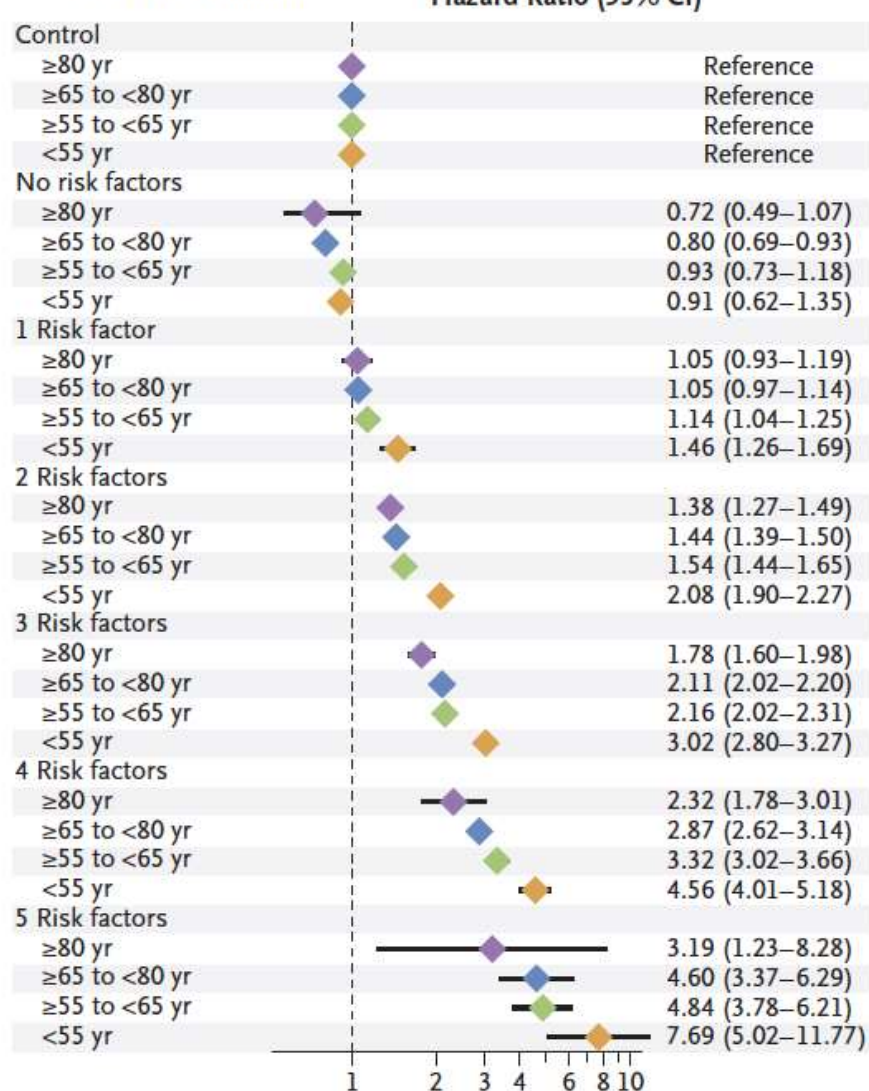
# HF and diabetes



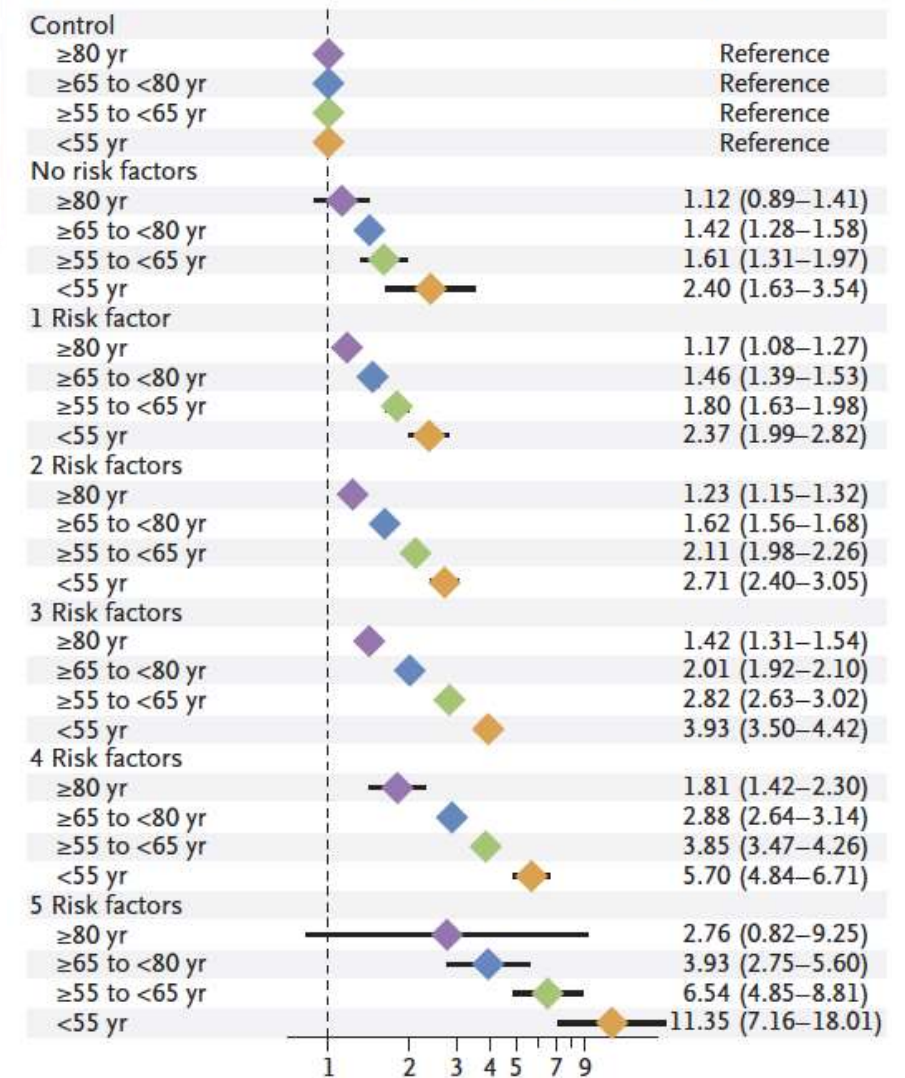
# T2D increases the risk of HF more than the risk of AMI



**B Excess Acute Myocardial Infarction in Relation to Range of Risk-Factor Control**



**D Excess Heart Failure in Relation to Range of Risk-Factor Control**



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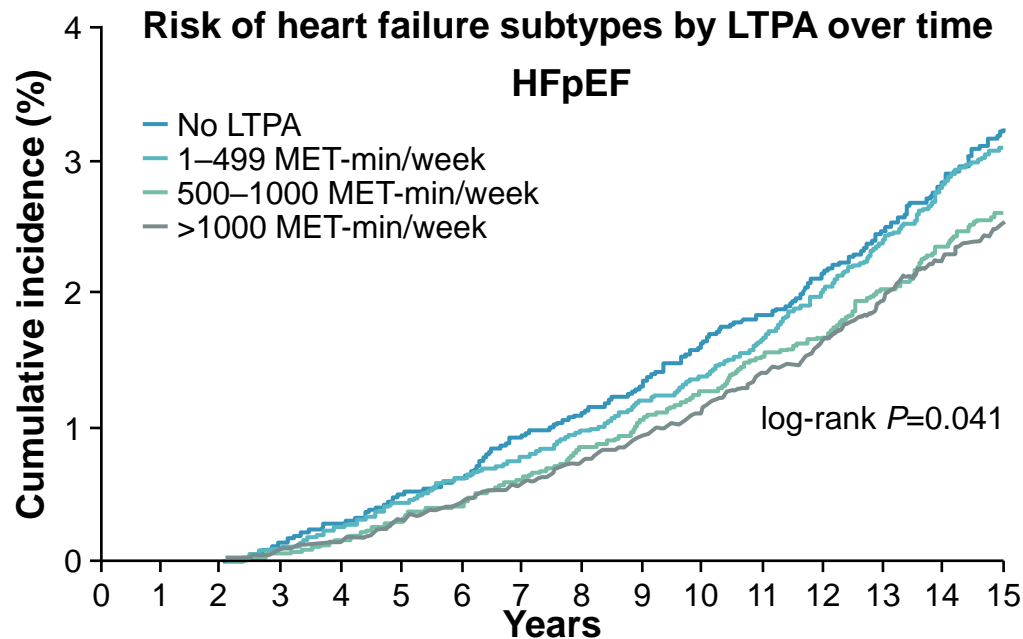
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# Physical activity reduces risk of HFpEF

- Pooled results from three large prospective cohort studies<sup>a</sup> (N=51,451) that reported quantitative measures of LTPA and BMI at baseline and had HFrEF and HFpEF outcome adjudication on follow-up<sup>1</sup>
- PA quantification was derived from standardized MET values to account for intensity of PA as part of PA volume
- Dose-dependent inverse association between LTPA levels and HFpEF<sup>b</sup> risk was observed



LTPA: self-selected physical activity that is chosen by participants and performed in their free time

One MET is defined as the energy expenditure for sitting quietly.<sup>2</sup>  
For the average adult, this is approximately 3.5 mL of oxygen per body weight (kg) per minute

<sup>a</sup>Women's Health Initiative, the Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis, and the Cardiovascular Health Study; <sup>b</sup>LVEF  $\geq 45\%$ ; <sup>c</sup>LVEF  $< 45\%$

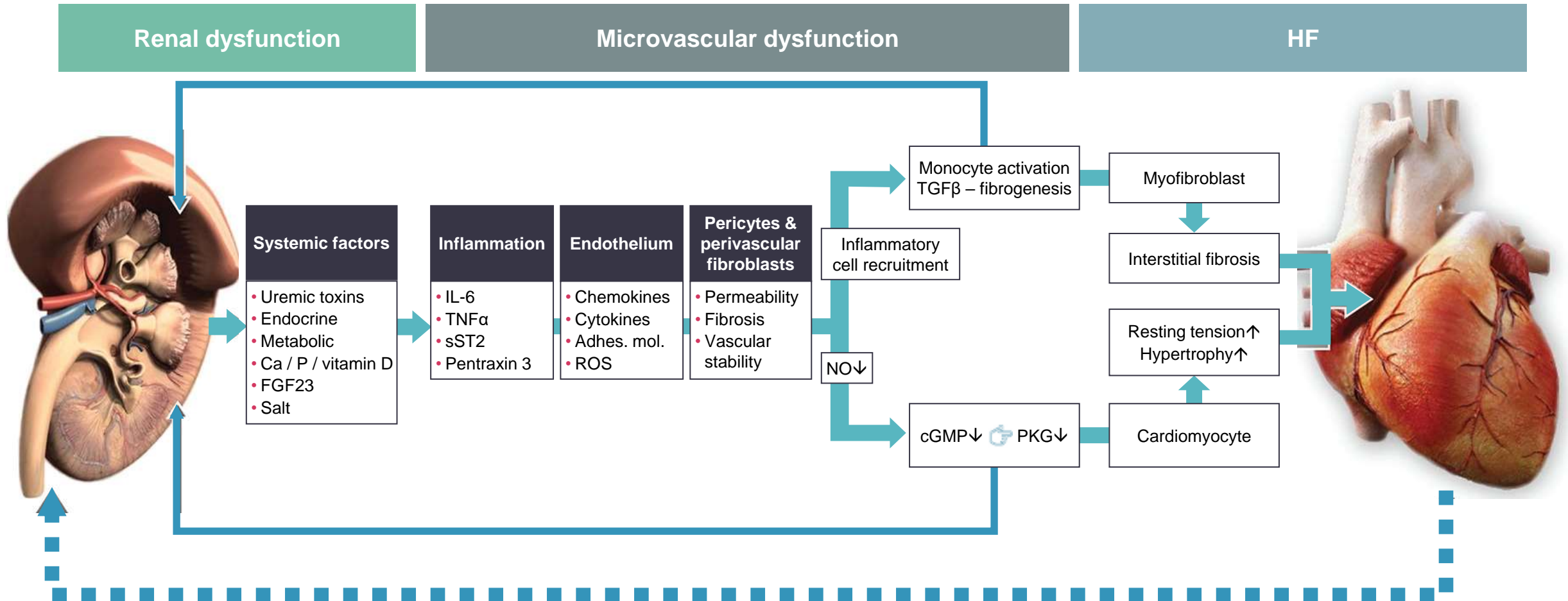
BMI, body mass index; HFpEF, heart failure with preserved ejection fraction; HFrEF, heart failure with reduced ejection fraction; MET, metabolic equivalent task; LTPA, leisure time physical activity; LVEF, left ventricular ejection fraction; PA, physical activity

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# HF outcomes in CVOTs in diabetes

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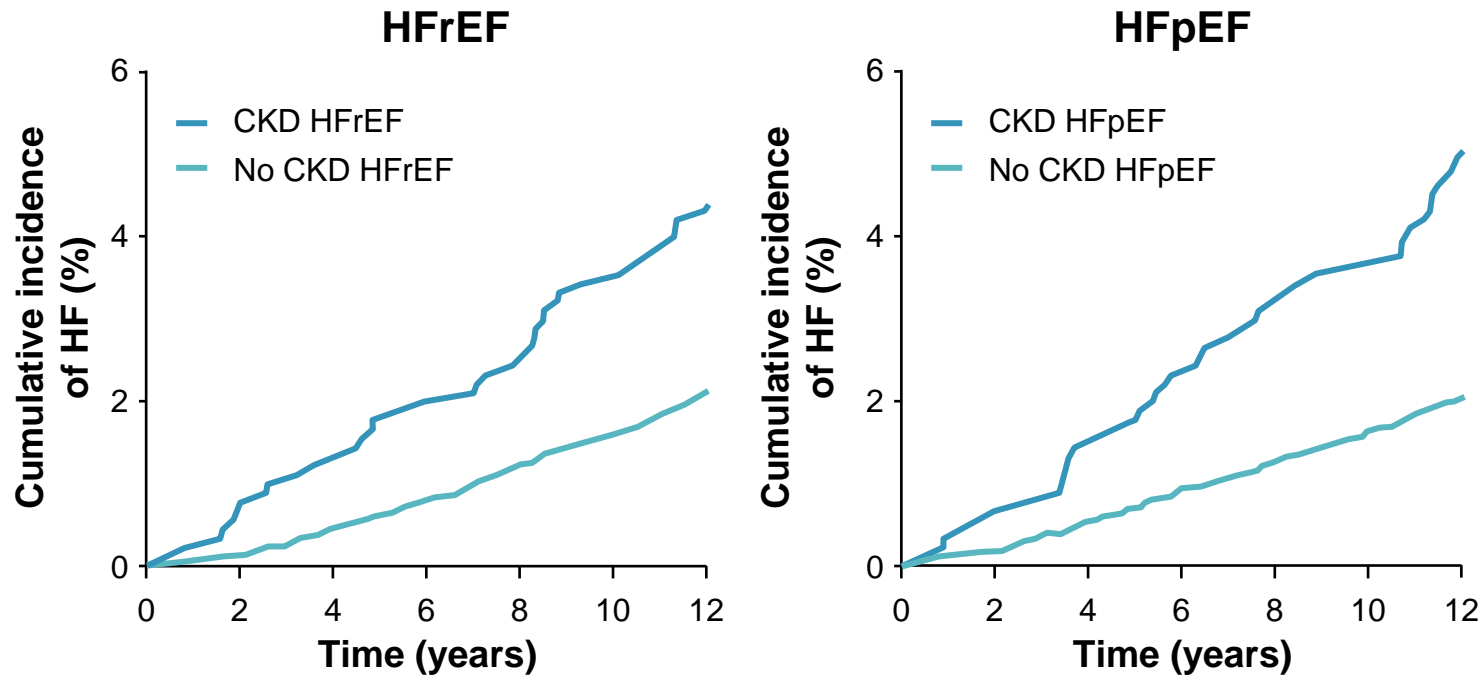
# Renal dysfunction and HF share common mechanisms



cGMP, cyclic guanosine monophosphate; FGF23, fibroblast growth factor 23; HFpEF, heart failure with preserved ejection fraction; IL-6, interleukin-6; PKG, protein kinase G; ROS, reactive oxygen species; sST2, soluble ST2; TNF $\alpha$ , tumor necrosis factor  $\alpha$ ; TGF $\beta$ , transforming growth factor  $\beta$

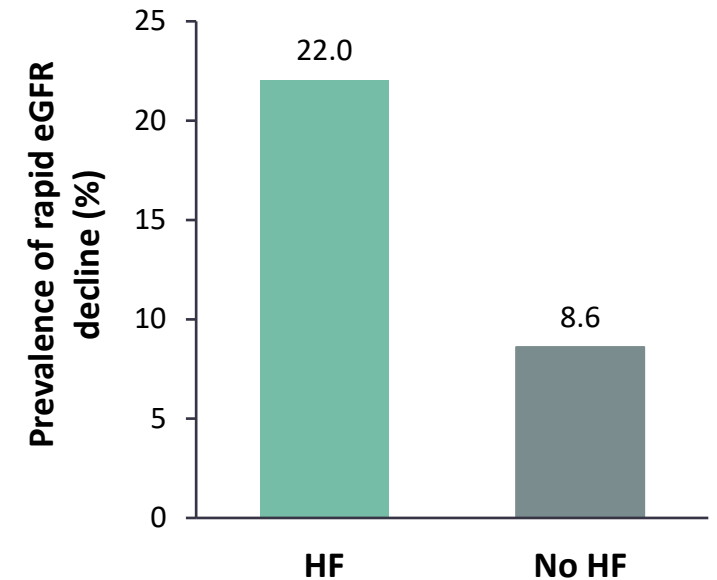
# CKD and HF Are Interconnected

Incidences of HF are higher in those with CKD than those without<sup>1</sup>



**CKD is associated with incident HF**

HF is associated with rapid decline in eGFR<sup>2,a</sup>



**HF is associated with the risk of kidney function decline**

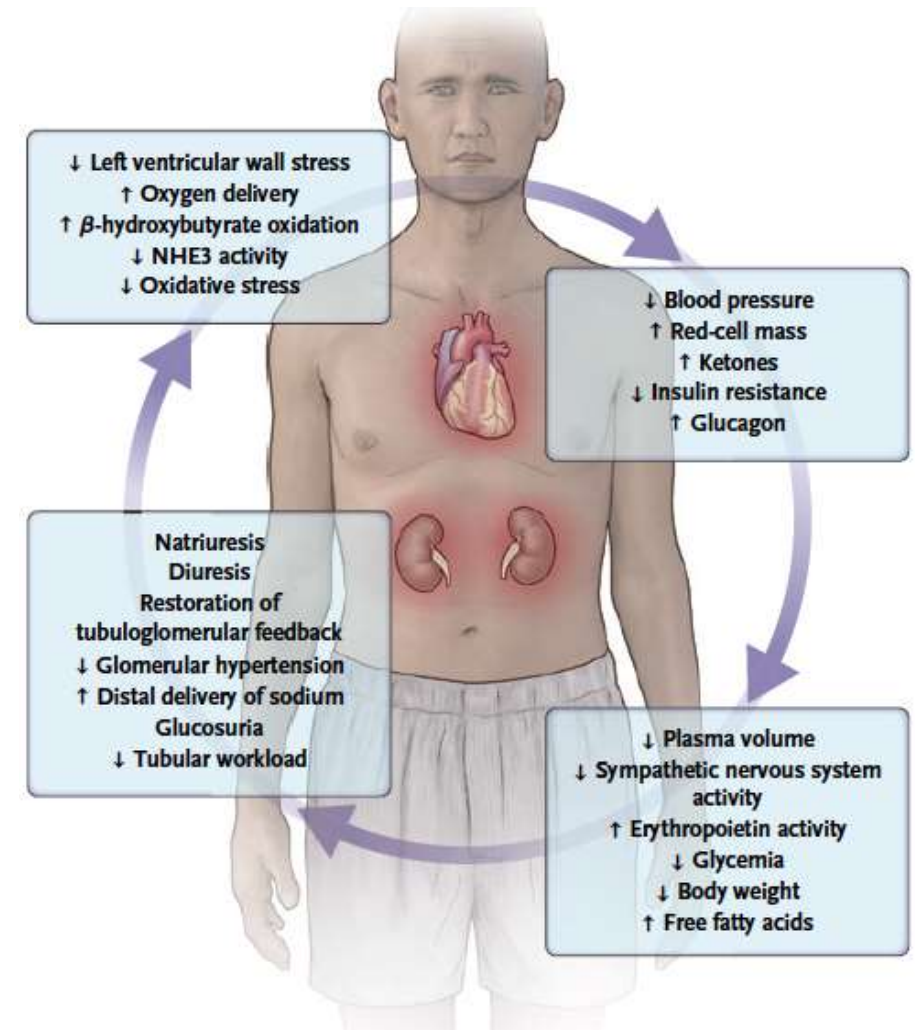
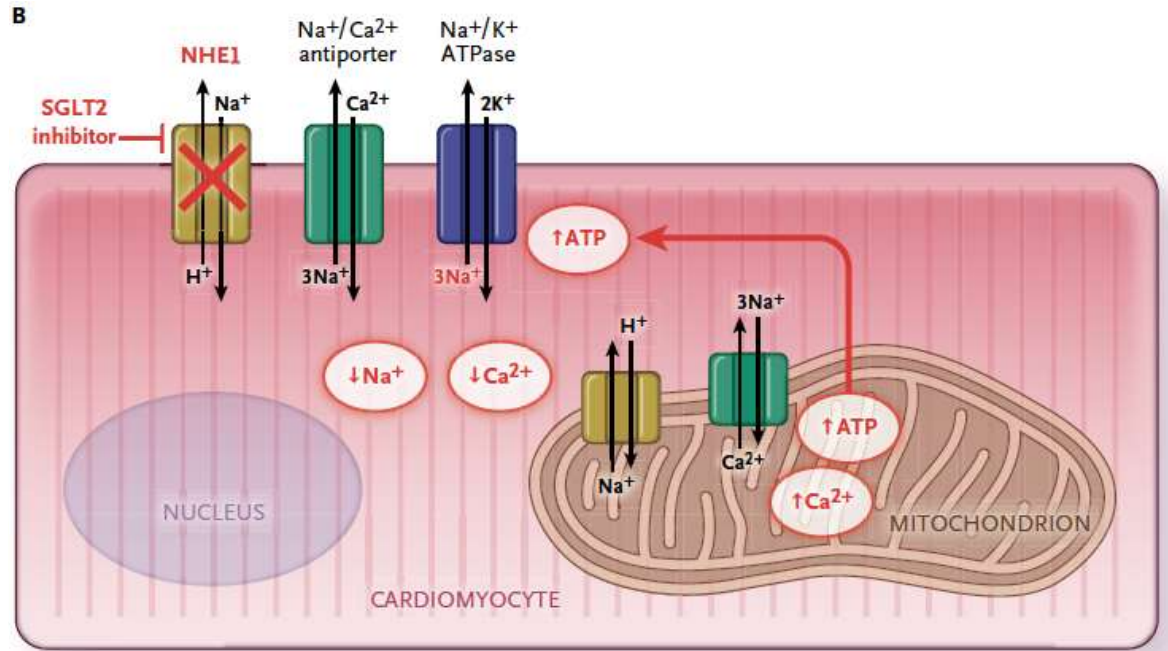
<sup>a</sup>Rapid rate of eGFR decline was defined as slopes steeper than  $-5 \text{ mL/min/1.73 m}^2/\text{year}$ .

CKD = chronic kidney disease; eGFR = estimated glomerular filtration rate; HF = heart failure; HFpEF = heart failure with preserved ejection fraction; HFrEF = heart failure with reduced ejection fraction.

1. Nayor M et al. *Eur J Heart Fail*. 2017;19:615-623; 2. George LK et al. *Circ Heart Fail*. 2017;10:e003825.



# Direct and indirect effects of SGLT2i on HF

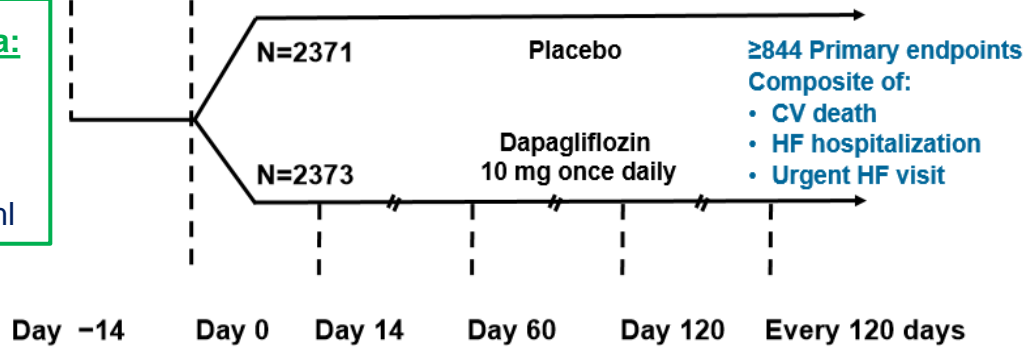


# DAPA-HF

Enrolment Randomization

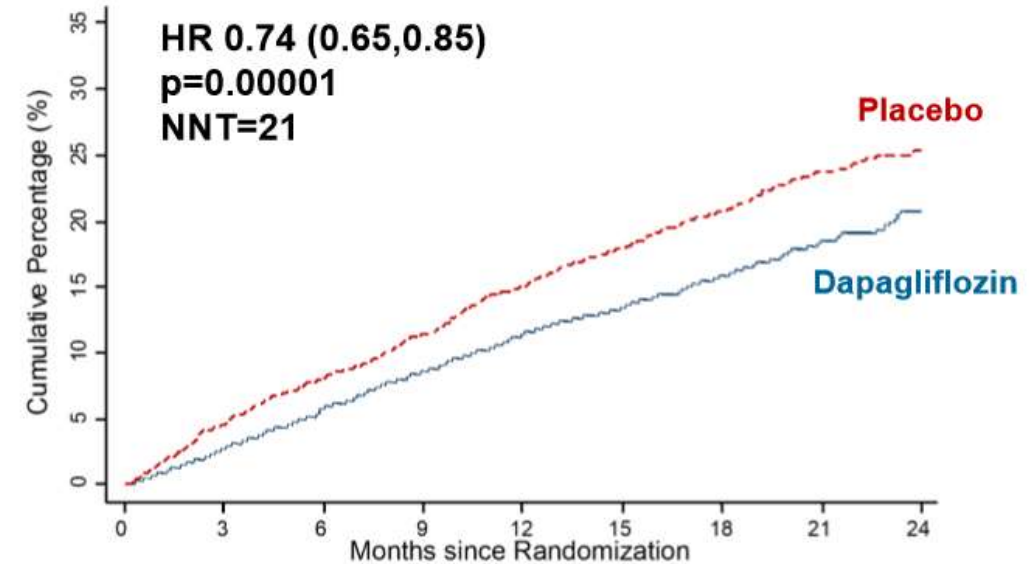
## Key inclusion criteria:

Symptomatic HF  
EF ≤40%  
NT-proBNP ≥600 pg/ml

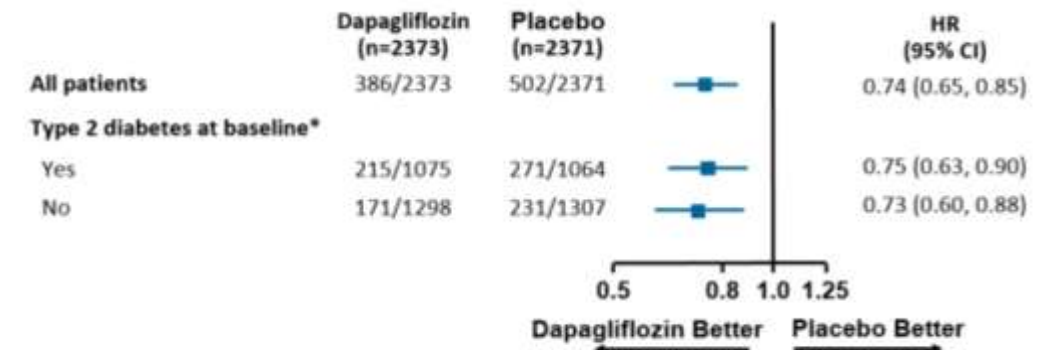


Characteristic	Dapagliflozin (n=2373)	Placebo (n=2371)
Mean age (yr)	66	67
Male (%)	76	77
NYHA class II/III/IV (%)	68/31/1	67/32/1
Mean LVEF (%)	31	31
Median NT pro BNP (pg/ml)	1428	1446
Mean systolic BP (mmHg)	122	122
Ischaemic aetiology (%)	55	57
Mean eGFR (ml/min/1.73m <sup>2</sup> )	66	66
Prior diagnosis T2D (%)	42	42
Any baseline T2D (%)*	45	45

\*includes 82 dapagliflozin and 74 placebo patients with previously undiagnosed diabetes i.e. two HbA1c ≥6.5% (≥48 mmol/mol)



Number at Risk									
Dapagliflozin	2373	2305	2221	2147	2002	1560	1146	612	210
Placebo	2371	2258	2163	2075	1917	1478	1096	593	210

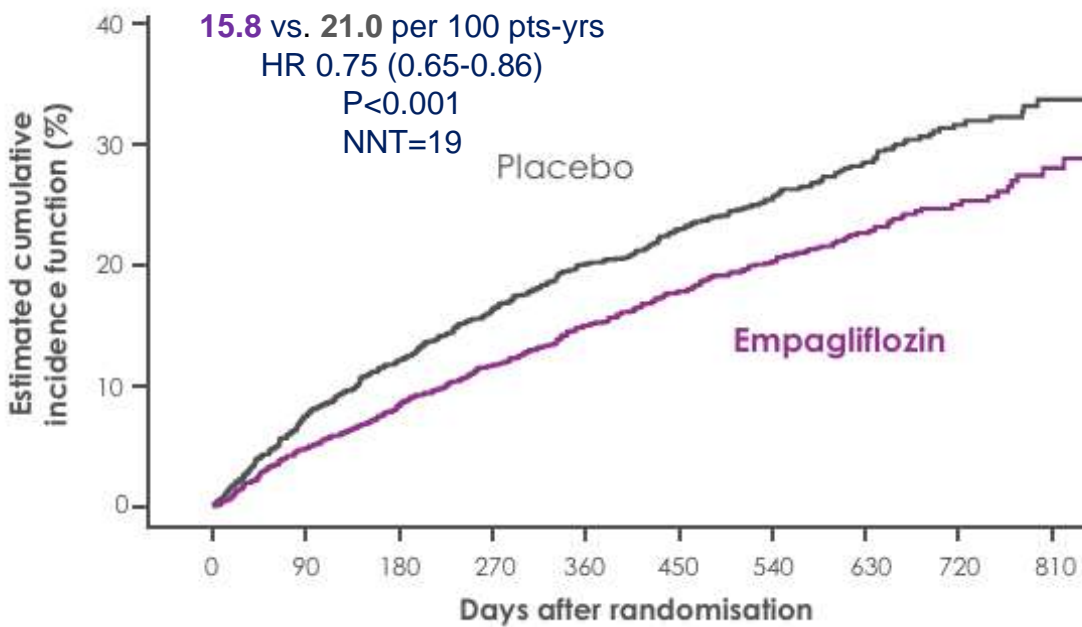


\*Defined as history of type 2 diabetes or HbA1c ≥6.5% at both enrollment and randomization visits.

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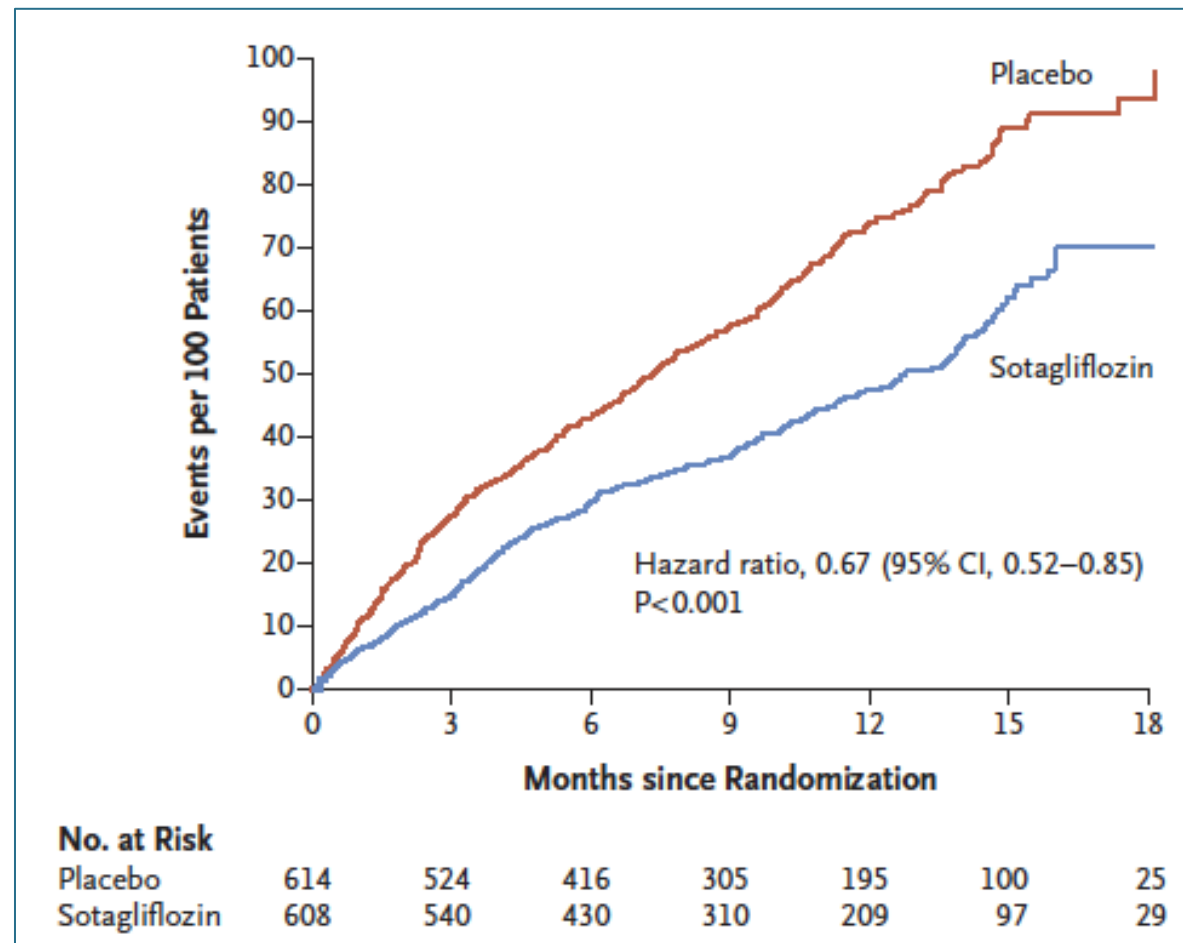


Characteristic	Empagliflozin (n=1863)	Placebo (n=1867)
Body mass index (kg/m <sup>2</sup> ) – mean ± SD	28.0 ± 5.5	27.8 ± 5.3
Heart rate (beats/min) – mean ± SD	71.0 ± 11.7	71.5 ± 11.8
Systolic blood pressure (mmHg) – mean ± SD	122.6 ± 15.9	121.4 ± 15.4
LV ejection fraction (%)	27.7 ± 6.0	27.2 ± 6.1
N (%) with LV ejection fraction ≤30	1337 (71.8)	1392 (74.6)
NT-proBNP (pg/ml) – median (IQR),	1887 (1077, 3429)	1926 (1153, 3525)
N (%) with NTproBNP ≥1000 pg/ml	1463/1862 (78.6)	1488/1866 (79.7)
Principal cause of heart failure – number (%)		
Ischaemic	983 (52.8)	946 (50.7)
Non-ischaemic	880 (47.2)	921 (49.3)
Cardiovascular history – N (%)		
Hospitalisation for heart failure within 12 months	577 (31.0)	574 (30.7)
Atrial fibrillation	664 (35.6)	705 (37.8)
Diabetes mellitus	927 (49.8)	929 (49.8)
Hypertension	1349 (72.4)	1349 (72.3)
eGFR (ml/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup> ) – mean ± SD	61.8 ± 21.7	62.2 ± 21.5
N (%) with eGFR <60	893/1862 (48.0)	906/1866 (48.6)



# SOLOIST-WHF Trial: sotagliflozin immediately after HHF in T2D

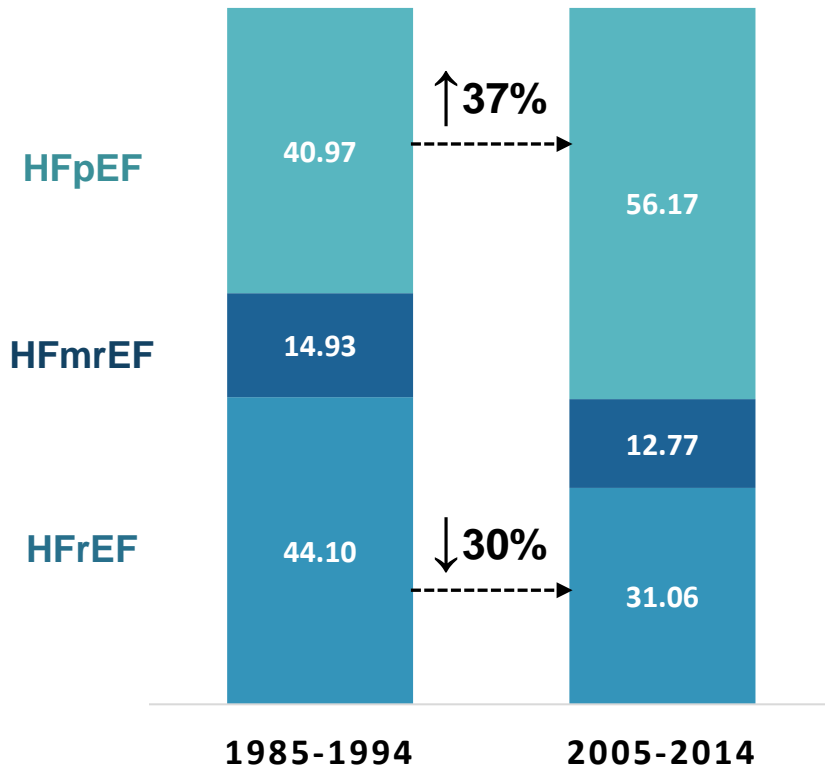
- 1222 patients with type 2 diabetes mellitus who were **recently hospitalized for worsening heart failure**
- Primary end point: **CV death & hospitalizations and urgent visits for heart failure** (first and subsequent events)
- Median follow-up: **9 months**
- Median age: **70 years**
- HFrEF: **79.1%**
- Median HbA1c: **7.1%**





# HFpEF Prevalence Rising

Percentage of Patients Within Each LVEF Category<sup>1,a</sup>



## Reasons for Increased HFpEF Prevalence<sup>2</sup>

### Increasing Life Expectancy and Aging of the Population

- Global population is rapidly aging
- Rate of HFpEF among patients with HF increases with age
- Increase in comorbidities associated with aging

### Epidemic of Cardiac and Non-cardiac Comorbidities

- Improved survival after onset of CAD
- Rate of AF increasing due to an aging general population and increased longevity
- Increasing incidence of obesity, metabolic syndrome, and diabetes

### Increased Clinical Recognition

- Improved diagnostic techniques
- Development of diagnostic guidelines

<sup>a</sup>HF prevalence data for 894 outpatients with new onset HF from the community based, Framingham Study over 3 decades (1985-2014). LVEF categories were defined as HFrEF (EF <40%), HF with mid-range EF (EF 40-49%), and HFpEF (EF ≥50%).

AF = atrial fibrillation; CAD = coronary artery disease; EF = ejection fraction; HF = heart failure; HFmrEF = heart failure with mildly reduced ejection fraction; HFpEF = heart failure with preserved ejection fraction; HFrEF = heart failure with reduced ejection fraction; LVEF = left ventricular ejection fraction.

1. Vasan RS et al. *JACC Cardiovasc Imaging*. 2018;11:1-11; 2. Oktay AA et al. *Curr Heart Fail Rep*. 2013;10:401-410.

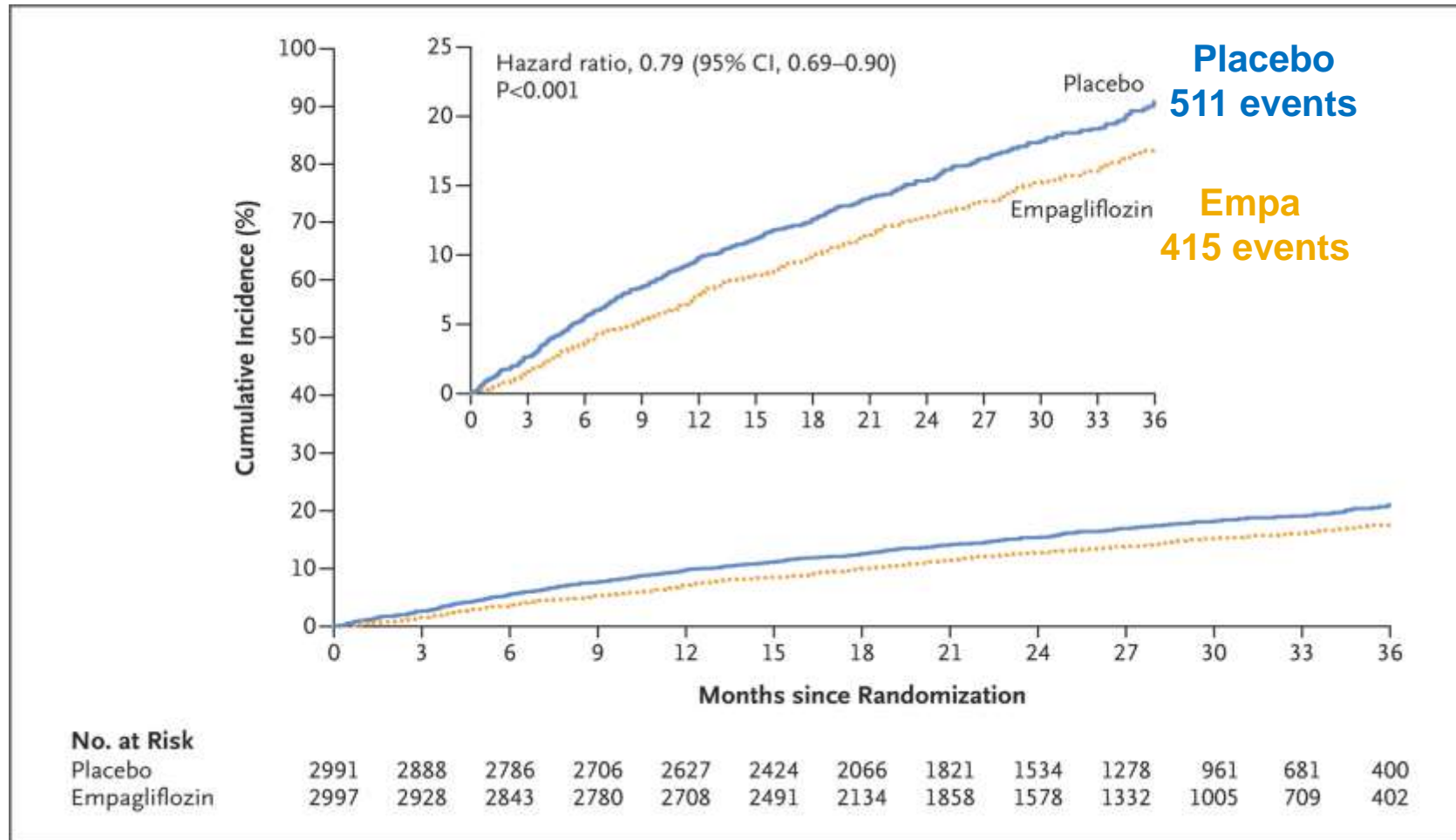
# DELIVER and EMPEROR-Preserved Study Designs

	DELIVER <sup>1,2</sup>	EMPEROR-Preserved <sup>3,4,5</sup>
Interventions	Dapagliflozin 10 mg daily or placebo (1:1)	Empagliflozin 10 mg daily or placebo (1:1)
Patient population	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>≥40 years</b> of age with <b><u>symptomatic</u></b> NYHA Class II-IV HF at enrollment and typical signs/symptoms of HF ≥6 weeks before enrollment with <b><u>at least intermittent need for diuretic treatment</u></b></li> <li>• LVEF &gt;40% and evidence of structural heart disease<sup>a</sup> within 12 months</li> <li>• Elevated NT-proBNP levels</li> <li>• eGFR<sup>b</sup> ≥25 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup></li> <li>• Ambulatory or hospitalized off IV HF therapy for ≥24 hours</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>≥18 years</b> of age (Japan: ≥20 years of age) with NYHA Class II-IV HF for ≥3 months and oral diuretic dose stable for ≥1 week, if prescribed</li> <li>• LVEF &gt;40%</li> <li>• Structural heart disease<sup>a</sup> within 6 months or hHF within 12 months</li> <li>• Elevated NT-proBNP levels</li> <li>• eGFR<sup>b</sup> ≥20 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup></li> <li>• No episodes of ADHF<sup>c</sup> within 1 week prior to or during screening</li> </ul>
Sample size	N=6263	N=5988
Study duration	<b><u>39 months</u></b>	<b><u>26.2 months</u></b>
Primary outcome	Time to first occurrence of any component of the composite of CV death or HF events (hHF or urgent HF visit) in the full patient population and in patients with LVEF <60%	Time to first occurrence of any component of the composite of CV death or hHF
Background therapy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SoC treatment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SoC treatment</li> </ul>

<sup>a</sup>LV hypertrophy or LA enlargement; <sup>b</sup>Based on the Chronic Kidney Disease-Epidemiology Collaboration Equation; <sup>c</sup>Requiring IV diuretics, vasodilators, inotropic agents, or mechanical support.

1. Solomon SD et al. *Eur J Heart Fail.* 2021;23:1217-1225; 2. Study NCT03619213. ClinicalTrials.gov website; 3. Study NCT03057951. ClinicalTrials.gov website; 4. Anker SD et al. *Eur J Heart Fail.* 2019;21:1279-1287; 5. Anker SD et al. *N Engl J Med.* 2021;385:1451-1461.

# EMPEROR-Preserved: primary endpoint result



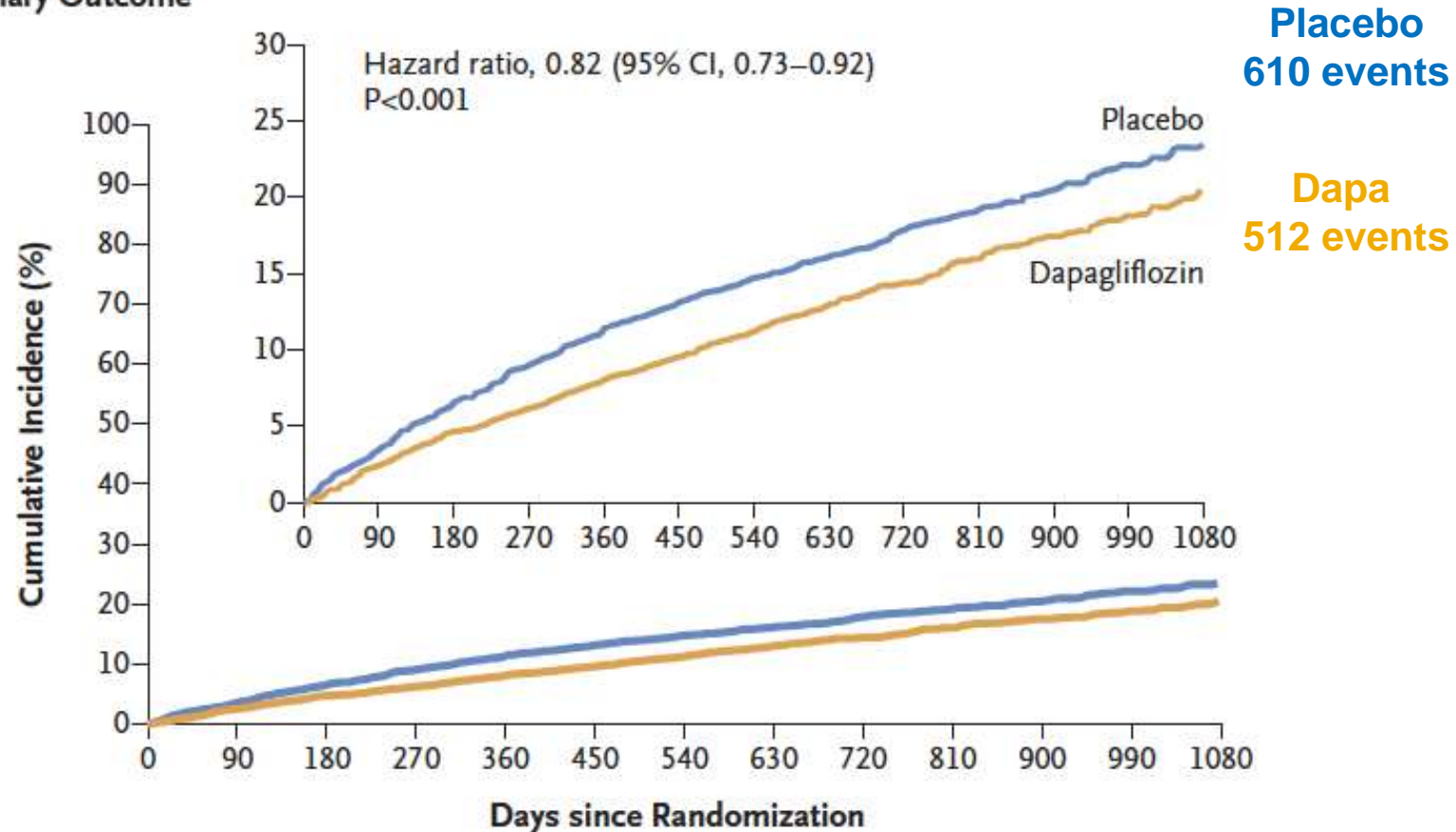
HR 0.79  
(95% CI 0.69-0.90)  
p<0.001

21%  
RRR

NNT=30

# DELIVER: primary endpoint result

## A Primary Outcome



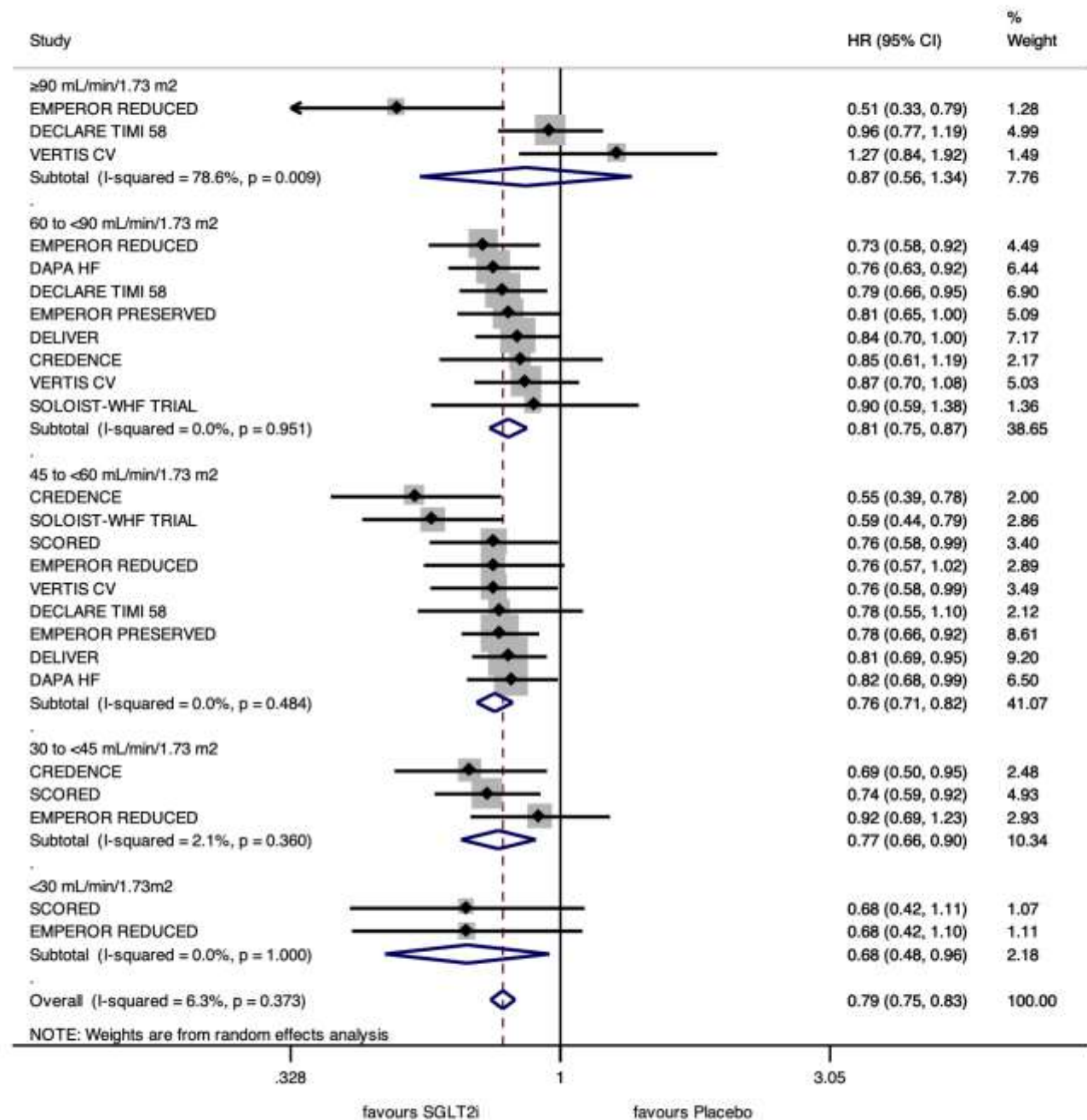
### No. at Risk

Placebo	3132	3007	2896	2799	2710	2608	2318	2080	1923	1554	1140	772	383
Dapagliflozin	3131	3040	2949	2885	2807	2716	2401	2147	1982	1603	1181	801	389

HR 0.82  
(95% CI 0.73-0.92)  
p<0.001

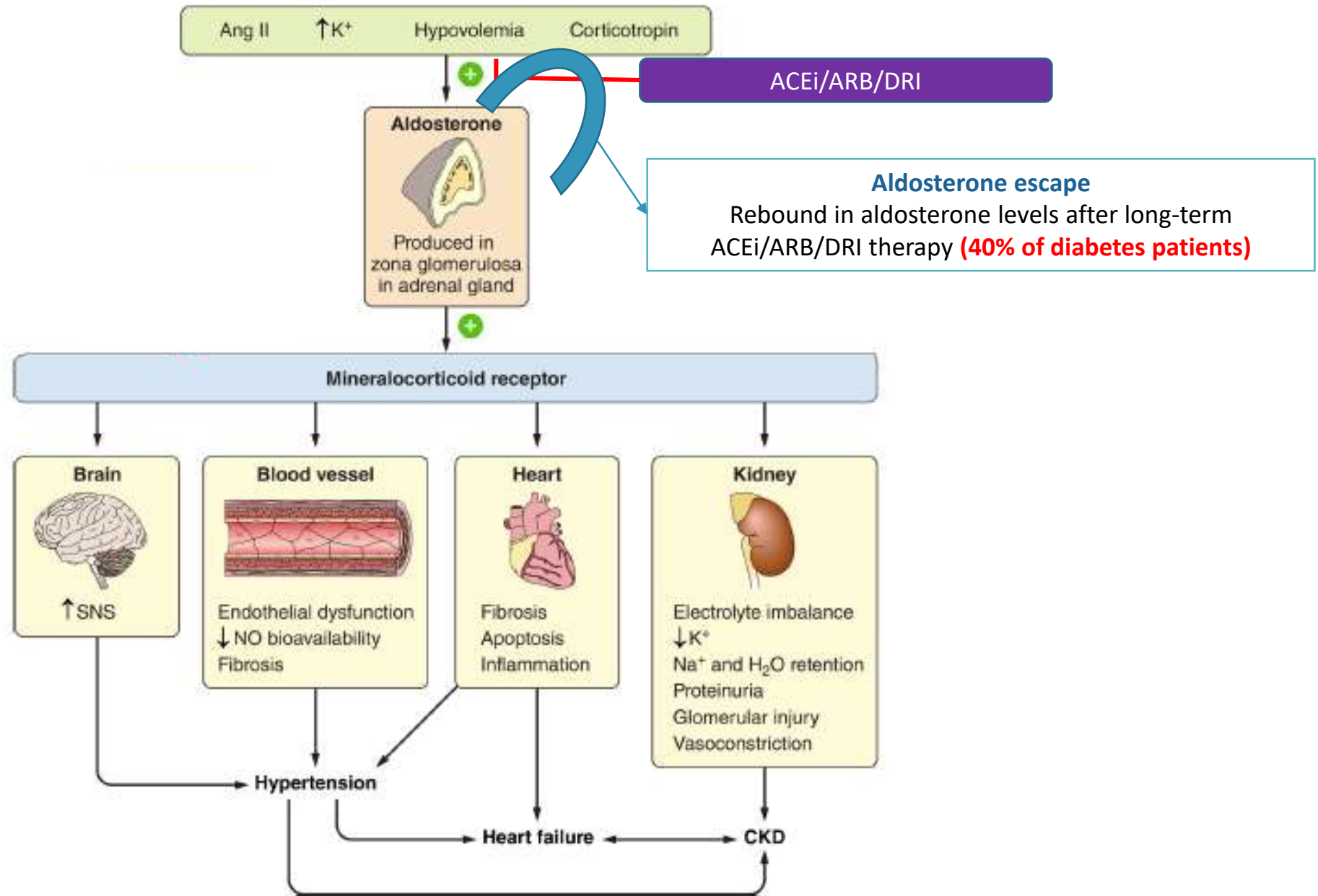
18%  
RRR

NNT=32





# MR & cardio-renal complications of diabetes



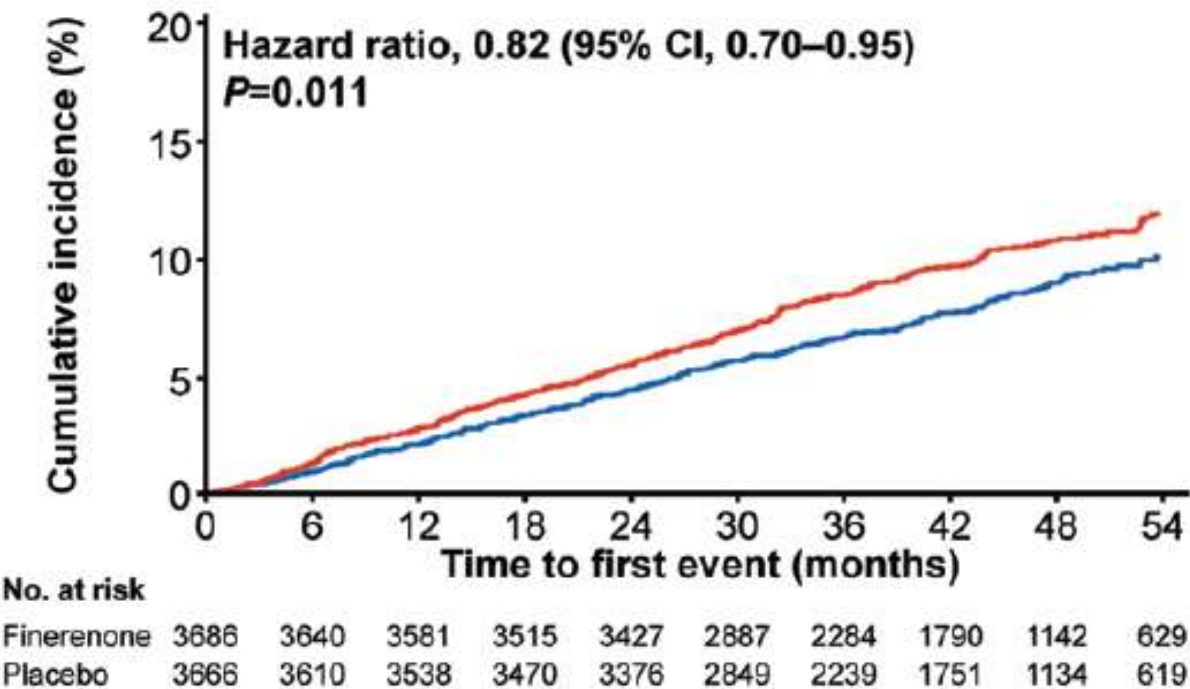
ORIGINAL RESEARCH ARTICLE

# Finerenone Reduces Risk of Incident Heart Failure in Patients With Chronic Kidney Disease and Type 2 Diabetes: Analyses From the FIGARO-DKD Trial

7352 randomized patients assessed in the full analysis

Characteristic	With history of heart failure (n=571)	Without history of heart failure (n=6781)
Age, y	65.6 (8.9)	64.0 (9.9)
Male sex	350 (61.3%)	4755 (70.1%)
Systolic blood pressure, mm Hg	135.4 (13.7)	135.8 (14.0)
Diastolic blood pressure, mm Hg	76.8 (10.1)	76.8 (9.5)
Body mass index, kg/m <sup>2</sup>	32.8 (6.2)*	31.3 (6.0)*
Duration of diabetes, y	15.1 (9.3)	14.4 (8.5)*
Glycohemoglobin, %	8.0 (1.4)*	7.7 (1.4)*
Serum potassium, mEq/L	4.4 (0.5)*	4.3 (0.4)*
estimated glomerular filtration rate, mL/min/1.73 m <sup>2</sup>	63.4 (21.7)*	68.2 (21.7)

*Kaplan-Meier estimates for time to cardiovascular death or first HHF*

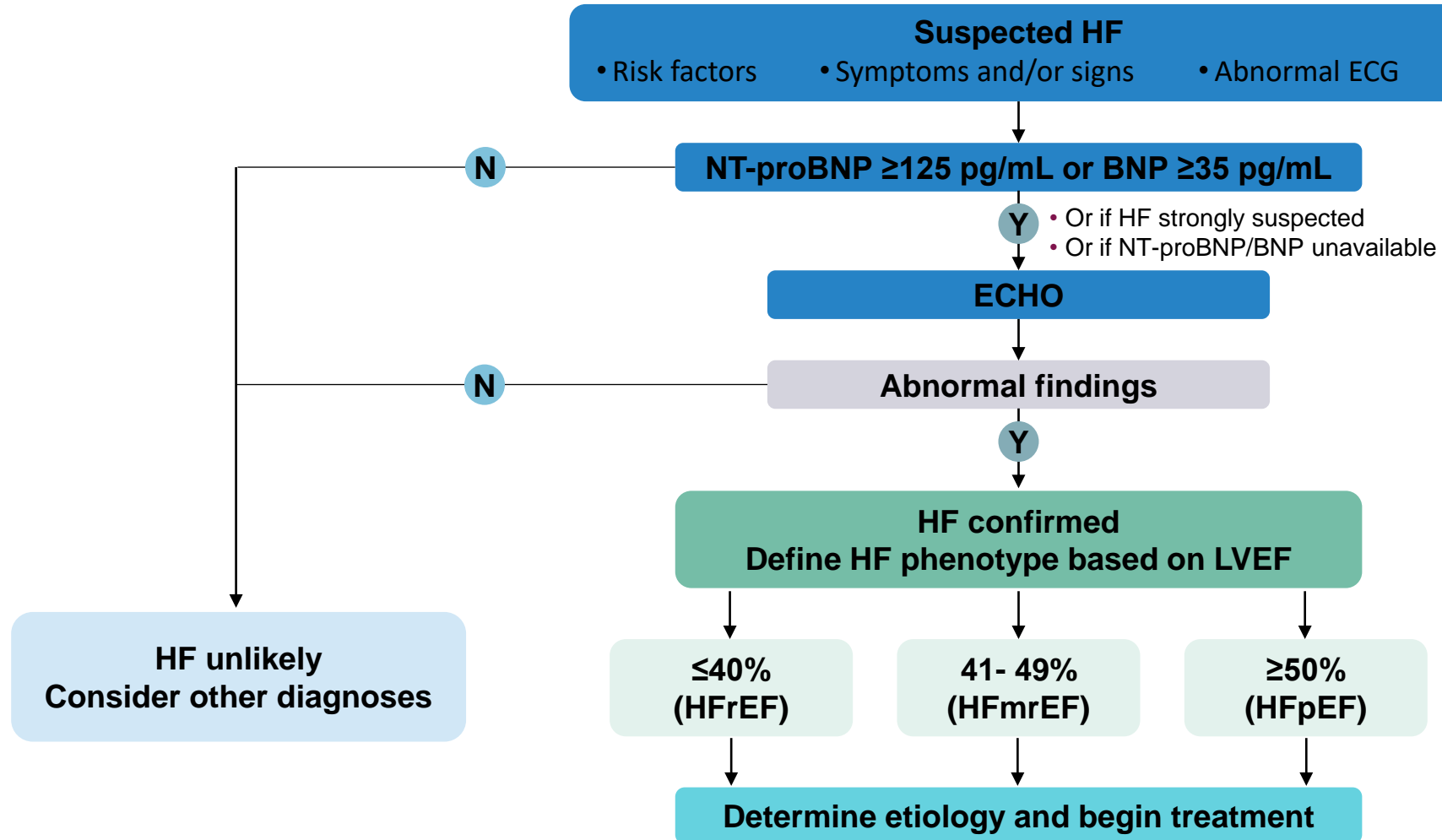


# Agenda

- Heart failure and diabetes
- News for HF therapy from diabetes drugs
  - SGLT2i
  - Finerenone
- Guidelines



# ESC Diagnostic Algorithm for HF




BNP = B-type natriuretic peptide; ECG = electrocardiogram; ECHO = echocardiography; ESC = European Society of Cardiology; HF = heart failure; HFmrEF = heart failure with mildly reduced ejection fraction; HFpEF = heart failure with preserved ejection fraction; HFrEF = heart failure with reduced ejection fraction; LVEF = left ventricular ejection fraction; NT-proBNP = N-terminal pro-B-type natriuretic peptide.

McDonagh TA et al. *Eur Heart J*. 2021;42:3599-3726.



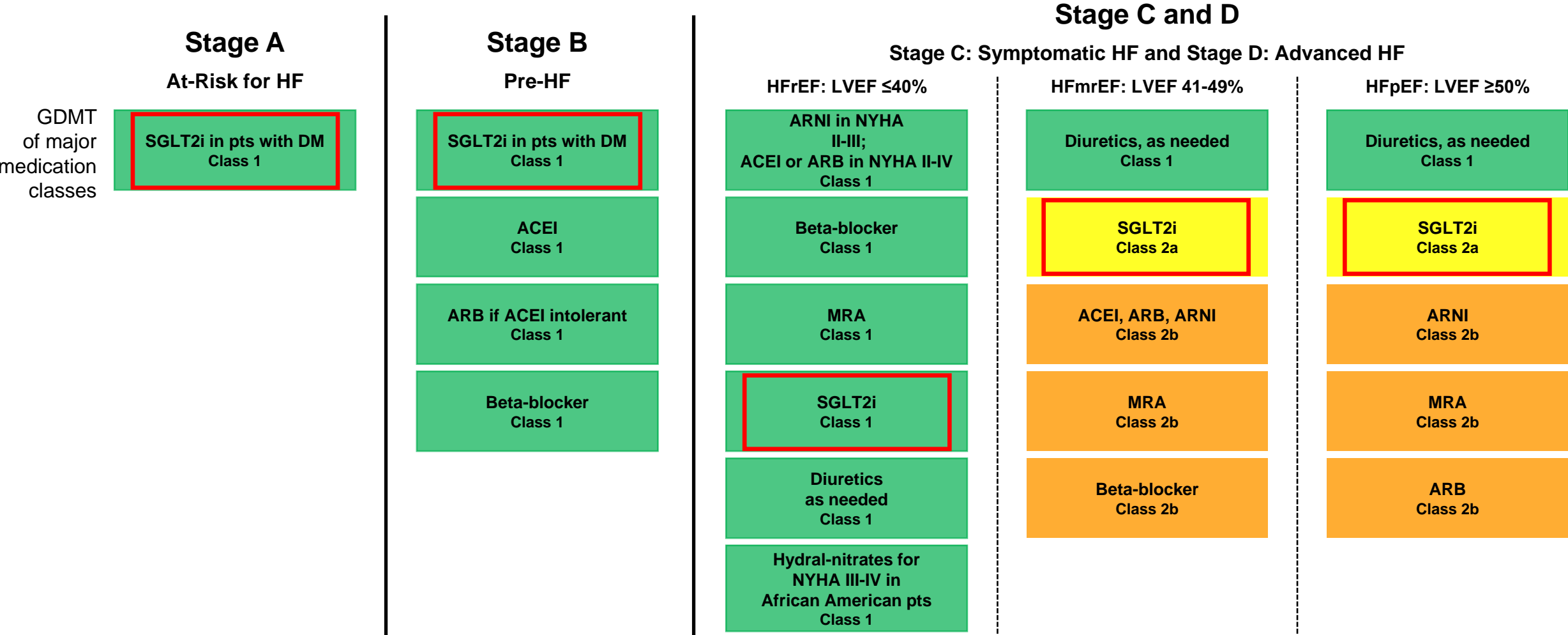
# Effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of HF drugs

	ACE inhibitors	$\beta$ -blockers	MRA	Ivabradine	ARNI	SGLT-2 inhibitor
 Evolving background medical therapy						
Stages A-B						
Risk factors for HF, asymptomatic structural heart disease						
Evidence	SAVE (captopril) [10]	SAVE post hoc [9]				Meta-analysis in diabetes (note that 18% of patients included were stage C) [7]
NNT for all-cause death	20	CV death: 11				24
NNT hHF	33	Severe HF: 16				21
QALY	0.52 [40]	–				0.80–1.29 [37]
ICER per QALY in different countries <sup>a</sup>	UK (6687); USA 5600 [40, 41]	USA 4500 [42]				UK (5530); USA 76,167; Greece (5372); China 1539 [37]
Stages C–D						
Structural heart disease with current or prior symptoms, refractory HF						
Evidence	CONSENSUS (enalapril) [55]	CIBIS-II (bisoprolol) [19]	RALES (spironolactone) [21]	Intended use population in SHIFT [26]	PARADIGM-HF [27]	DAPA-HF (dapagliflozin) EMPEROR-Reduced (empagliflozin) [28, 30, 31]
NNT for all-cause death	6	18	9	50	36	64
NNT hHF	–	17	15	17	36	23
QALY	0.21 [52]	–	0.07 [54]	0.24–0.28 [50, 51]	0.42–0.52 [46, 47]	0.48–0.50 [43]
ICER per QALY <sup>a</sup>	USA 3419 [52]	Sweden per year of life gained (18,643) [53]	USA 20,579 [54]	UK (18,643); USA 24,920 [50, 51]	UK (23,162); USA 45,017; Germany (30,466) [46, 47]	UK (7886); Germany (6236); Spain (10,905); Australia (9320); China 3828 [43–45]



# 2022 AHA/ACC/HFSA HF Guidelines: SGLT2i are now recommended in all HF subtypes

## GDMT Across HF Stages



ACC = American College of Cardiology; ACEI = angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor; AHA = American Heart Association; ARB = angiotensin-receptor blocker; ARNI = angiotensin-receptor neprilysin inhibitor; DM = diabetes mellitus; GDMT = guideline-directed medical therapy; HF = heart failure; HFmrEF = heart failure with mildly reduced ejection fraction; HFpEF = heart failure with preserved ejection fraction; HFrEF = heart failure with reduced ejection fraction; HFSA = Heart Failure Society of America; Hydral-nitrates: hydralazine and isosorbide dinitrate; LVEF = left ventricular ejection fraction; MRA = mineralocorticoid receptor antagonist; NYHA = New York Heart Association; SGLT2i = sodium-glucose cotransporter 2 inhibitor.

Adapted from Heidenreich PA et al. Central Illustration. Online ahead of print. *J Am Coll Cardiol*. 2022.

# Conclusions



Heart failure is a prevalent and deadly condition, often associated with T2D

SGLT2i ameliorates heart failure outcomes in both people with and without T2D through both direct and indirect effects

Among heart failure therapies, SGLT2i have the strongest evidence in HFpEF

SGLT2i is a cost-effective option for the treatment of heart failure

Finerenone improves HF outcomes in people with CKD and T2D