

New Advances in Diabetes Management

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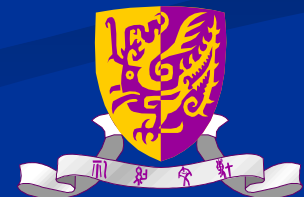
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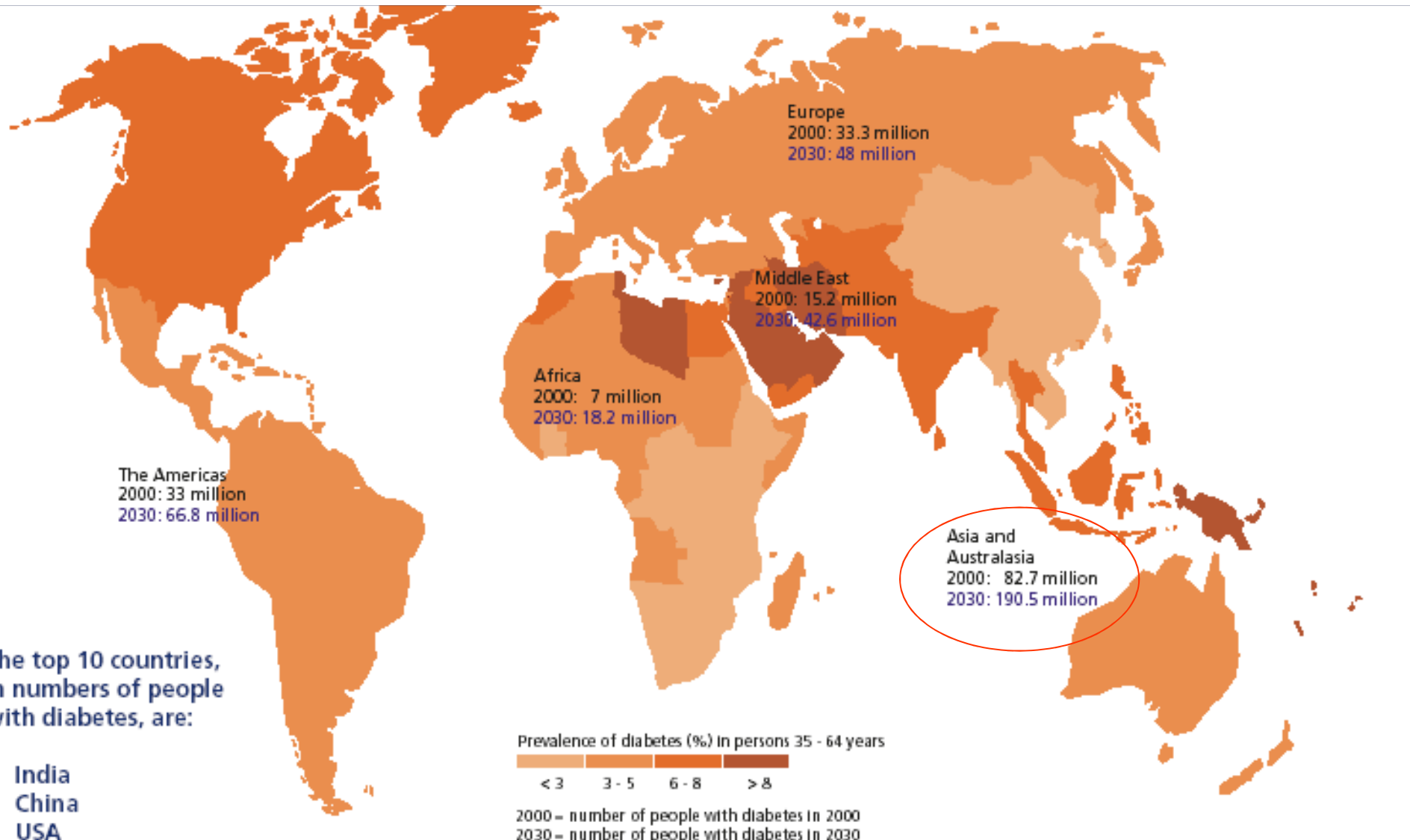
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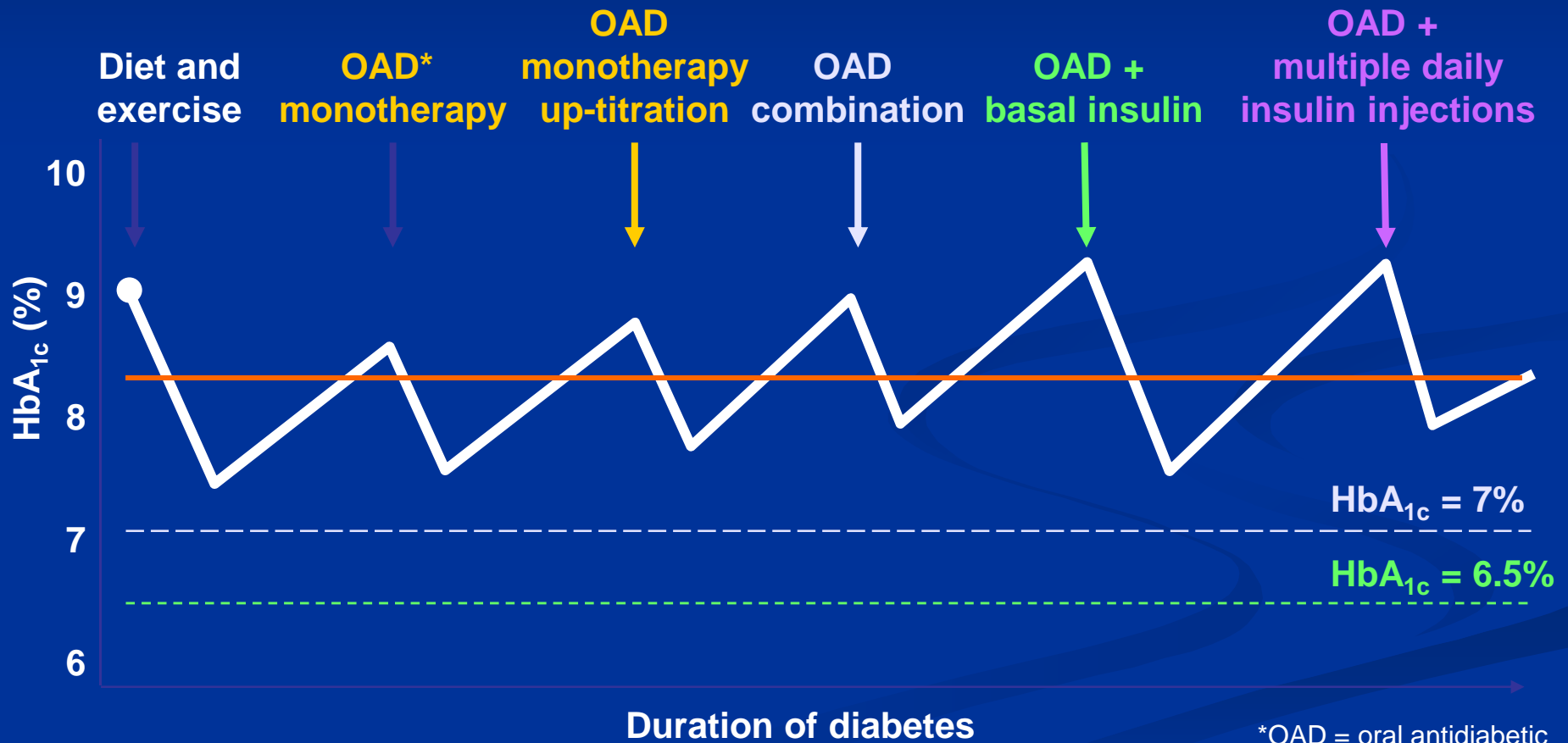
The top 10 countries, in numbers of people with diabetes, are:

- India
- China
- USA
- Indonesia
- Japan
- Pakistan
- Russia
- Brazil
- Italy
- Bangladesh

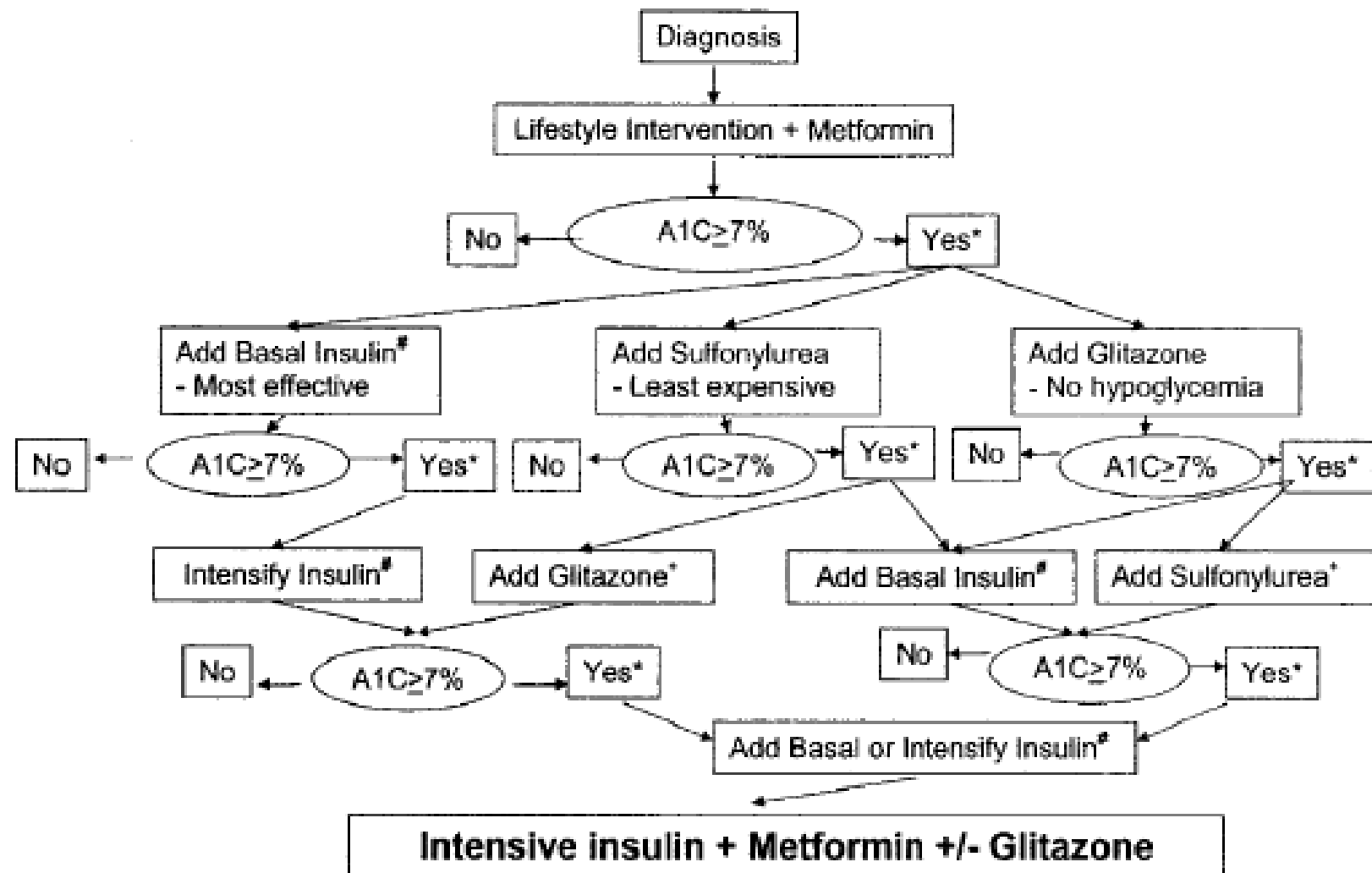
Source: Wild et al, 2004

Year	2000	2030
Ranking	Country	People with diabetes (millions)
1	India	31.7 79.4
2	China	20.8 42.3
3	United States of America	17.7 30.3

Traditional Approach to achieve glycemic control

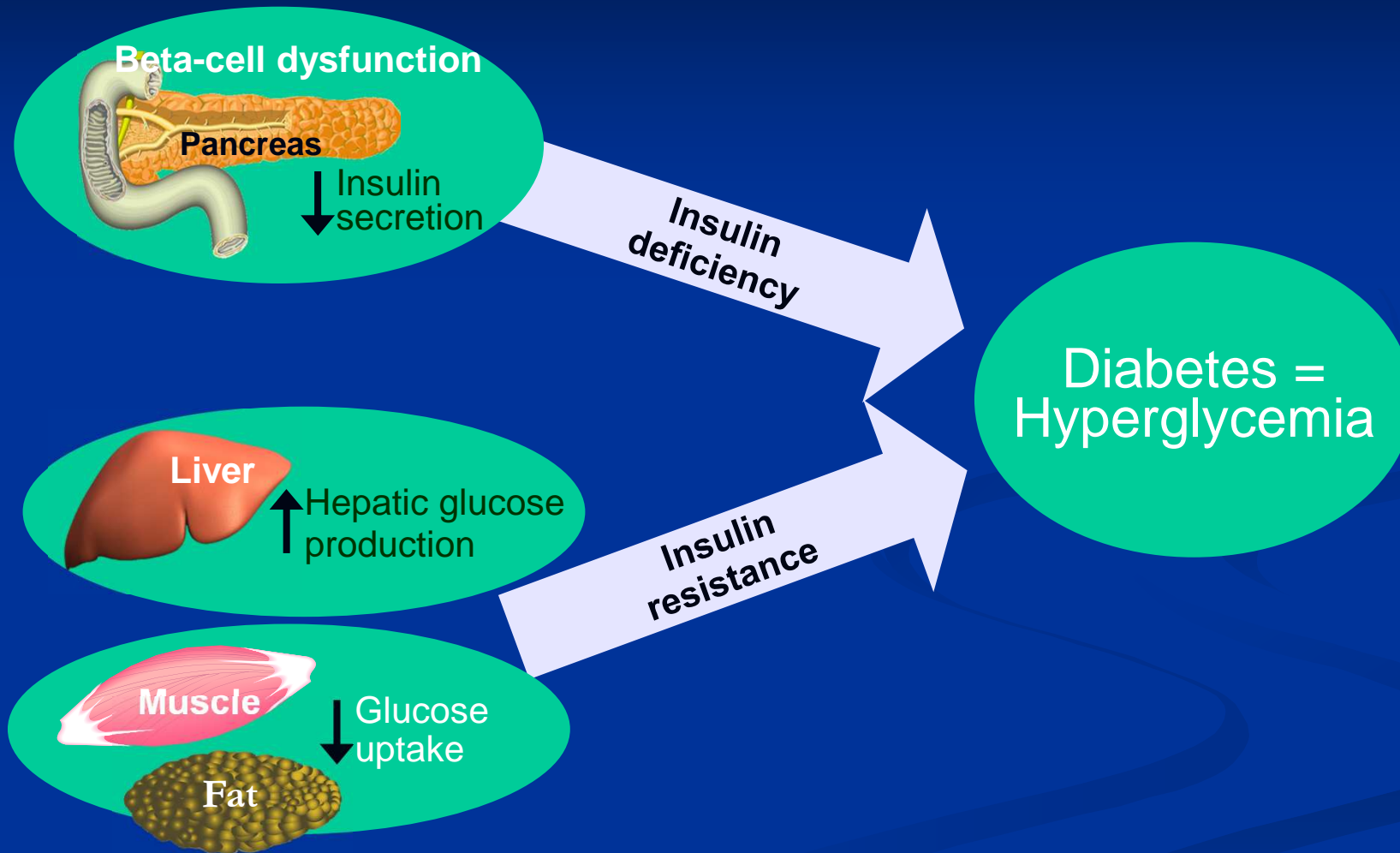


Algorithm for the metabolic management of type 2 diabetes



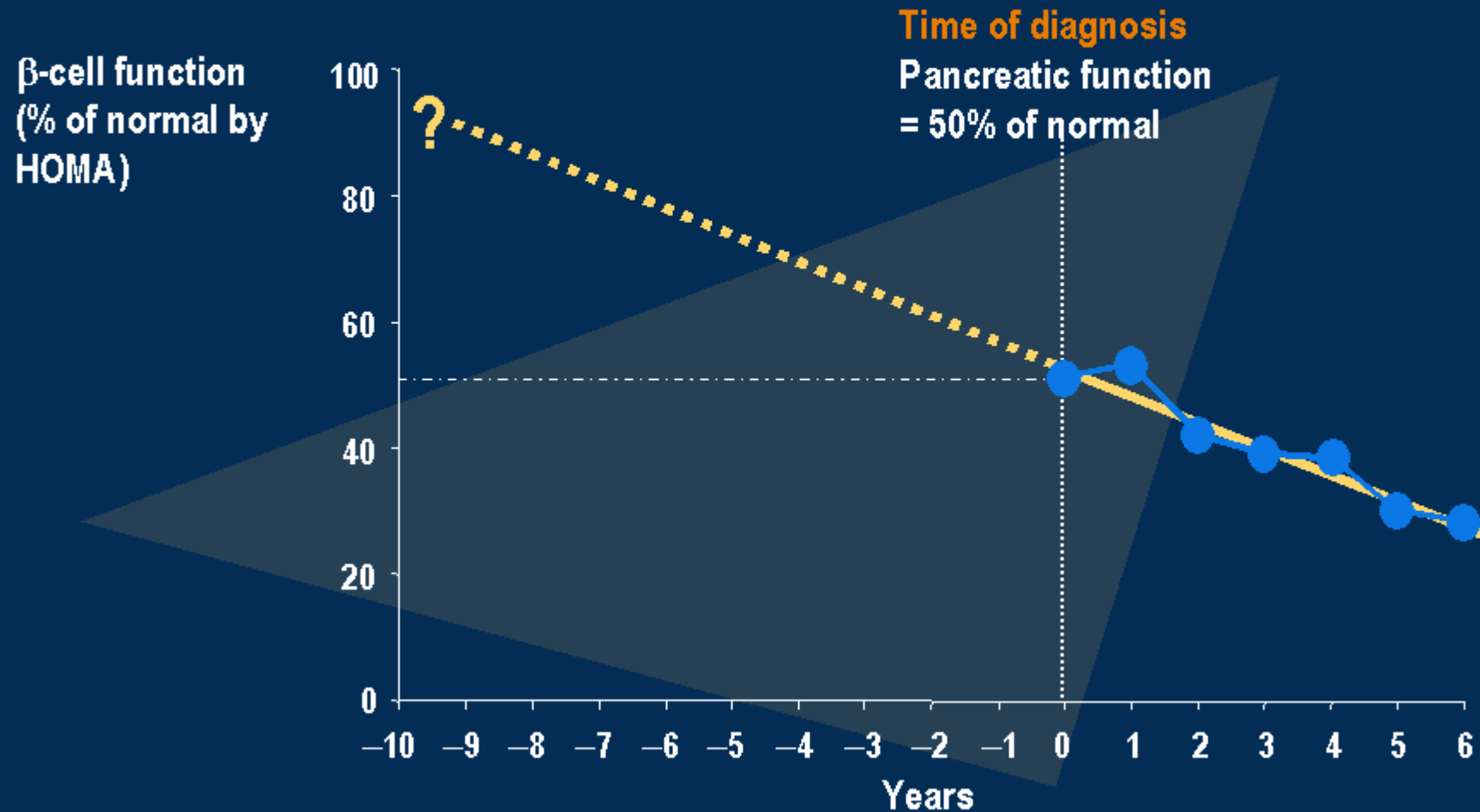
Source: American Diabetes Association (ADA)/ The European Association for the study of diabetes ADA/EASD-2007 (EASD) 2006

Pathogenesis of Type 2 Diabetes



Adapted from American Diabetes Association *Diabetes Care* 2004;27(suppl 1):S5–S10; Beers MH, Berkow R, eds. *Merck Manual of Diagnosis and Therapy*, 17th ed. Whitehouse Station, NJ: Merck Research Laboratories, 1999.

Decline of β -Cell Function in the UKPDS Illustrates Progressive Nature of Diabetes



HOMA=homeostasis model assessment

Adapted from Holman RR. *Diab Res Clin Pract.* 1998;40(suppl):S21-S25

Potential causes of progressive beta-cell failure

- Genetically programmed apoptosis
 - May not have specific treatment
- Glucotoxicity and lipotoxicity
 - Could not explain initial loss
- Insulin resistance
 - Long term insulin hypersecretion
 - Effect on beta-cell metabolism

As Type 2 Diabetes Progresses...

- Pancreatic beta-cell function declines,
- Glycemic control deteriorates,
- Intensified treatment increases hypoglycemia,
- Weight gain...

UKPDS 34. Lancet 1998; 352:854-865.

Kahn et al (ADOPT), New Engl J Med 2006; 355(23):2427-2443.

Lebovitz 1999; 7: 139-153.

Traditional Pharmacological Agents for Diabetes

Oral Anti-Diabetic Agents

	Improving Insulin Resistance	Improving Insulin Secretion	HbA _{1c} Reduction
傳統磺脲類藥物 (sulphonylurea)	0/+	++++	1% to 2%
格列奈 (repaglinide)	0	++	0.9 to 1.7%
雙胍類 (biguanides)	++++	0	1% to 2%
格列酮類 (glitazones)	+++	0	0.5% to 1.3%
α-糖苷酶抑制劑 (α-glucosidase inh)	0	0	0.5% to 1%

Data from Henry. *Endocrinol Metab Clin.* 1997;26:553-573 - Gitlin, et al. *Ann Intern Med.* 1998;129:36-38 - Neuschwander-Tetri, et al. *Ann Intern Med.* 1998;129:38-41

Medical Management of Type 2 Diabetes. 4th ed. Alexandria, Va: American Diabetes Association; 1998:1-139 - Fonseca, et al. *J Clin Endocrinol Metab.* 1998;83:3169-3176

Data from Bell & Hadden. *Endocrinol Metab Clin.* 1997;26:523-537 - De Fronzo, et al. *N Engl J Med.* 1995;333:541-549 - Bailey & Turner. *N Engl J Med.* 1996;334:574-579

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Differences among Current OAD

Class	Primary therapeutic effect	Limitations
Sulfonylureas	↓ HbA _{1c}	Hypoglycemia, weight gain
Meglitinides	↓ PPG	Hypoglycemia, weight gain
Biguanides (metformin)	↓ HbA _{1c}	GI adverse effects, lactic acidosis (rare)
PPARs	↓ HbA _{1c}	Weight gain, edema, anemia
Alpha-glucosidase inhibitors	↓ PPG	GI adverse effects

Adapted from DeFronzo RA *Ann Intern Med* 1999;131:281–303; Williams G, Pickup JC, eds. *Handbook of Diabetes*. 3rd ed. Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishing, 2004; Holz GG, Chepurny OG *Curr Med Chem* 2003;10(22):2471–2483; Meneilly GS *Diabetes Care* 2003;26(10):2835–2841; Ahrén B et al *Diabetes Care* 2002;25(5):869–875; Moller DE *Nature* 2001;414:821–828.

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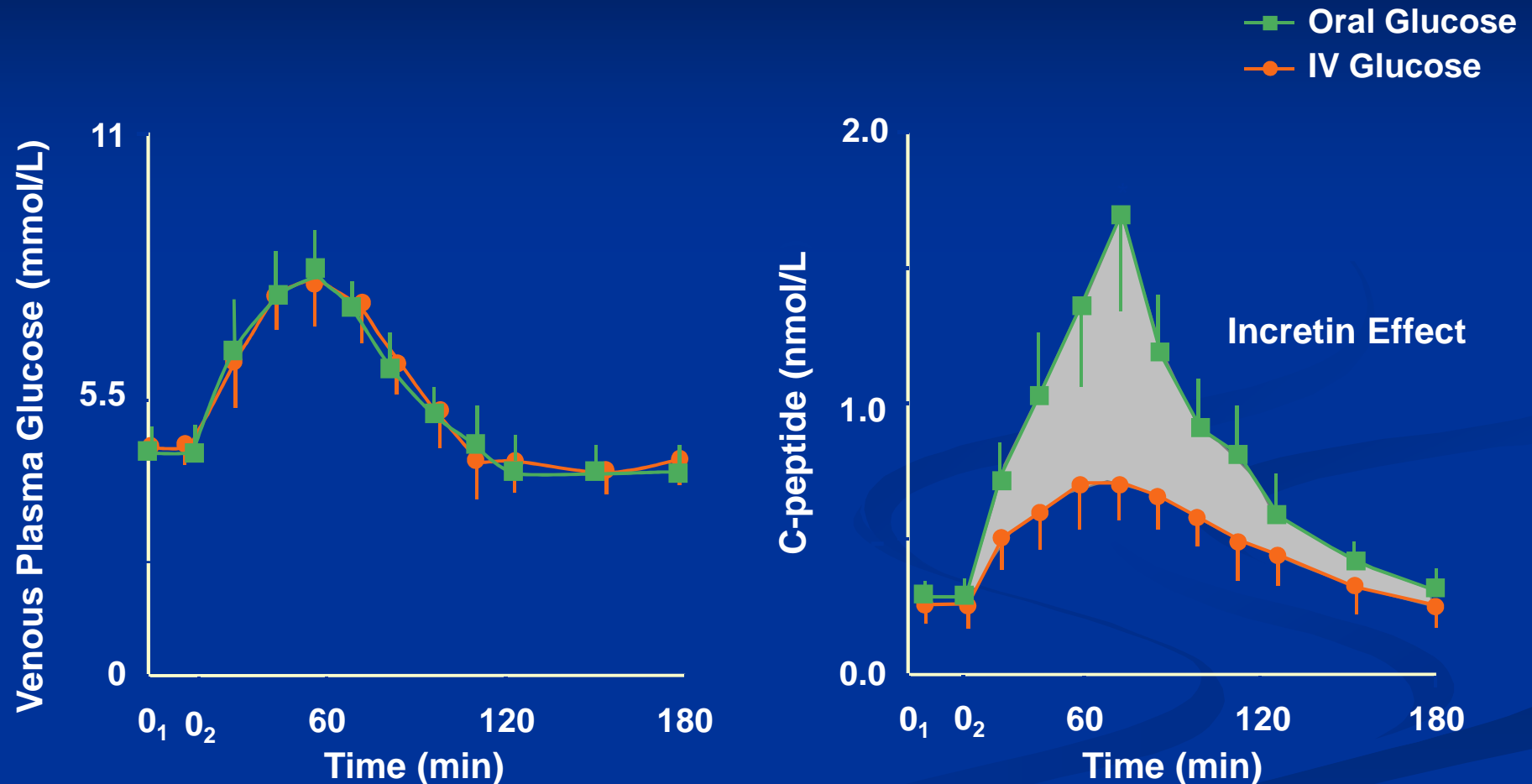
Class	Effects on beta-cells
Sulfonylureas	Stimulation of insulin release; beta-cell exhaustion over long-term exposure
Meglitinides	Stimulation of insulin release; beta-cell exhaustion over long-term exposure
Biguanides (metformin)	No direct effects
PPAR γ agonists	Indirect effects via improved insulin sensitivity; evidence of recovery of function
Alpha-glucosidase inhibitors	Allow beta-cells time to augment insulin release; no direct effects

Adapted from Buchanan TA et al *Diabetes* 2002;51:2796–2803; Ovalle F, Bell DS *Diabetes Obes Metab* 2002;4(1):56–59; Wolffenbuttel BH, Landgraf R *Diabetes Care* 1999;22(3):463–467; DeFronzo RA *Ann Intern Med* 1999;131:281–303; Ahrén B *Curr Diab Rep* 2003;3:365–372; Drucker DJ *Expert Opin Invest Drugs* 2003;12(1):87–100; Buse JB et al. In: *Williams Textbook of Endocrinology*. 10th ed. Philadelphia: Saunders, 2003:1427–1483; Skrumsager BK et al *J Clin Pharmacol* 2003;43(11):1244–1256.

New Pharmacological Agents for Diabetes

Gut Hormone in Treatment of Diabetes

The Incretin Effect Demonstrates the Response to Oral vs IV Glucose



Mean \pm SE; N = 6; *p \leq .05; 0₁-0₂ = glucose infusion time.

Nauck MA, et al. Incretin effects of increasing glucose loads in man calculated from venous insulin and C-peptide responses. *J Clin Endocrinol Metab.* 1986;63:492-498. Copyright 1986, The Endocrine Society.

Incretin Hormones are Gastrointestinal Peptides

- Glucagon-like peptide-1 (**GLP-1**) and glucose-dependent insulinotropic polypeptide (**GIP**) are the 2 major incretins in humans
- Both are peptide hormones (30 and 42 amino acids)
- Secreted from open-type endocrine cells (L- and K-cells, respectively) mainly in the distal (GLP-1, ileum, colon) or proximal (GIP, duodenum) small intestinal mucosa
- Released in response to meal ingestion



GLP-1 positive endocrine L-cells in human small intestine

GLP-1 and GIP are 2 Major Incretins

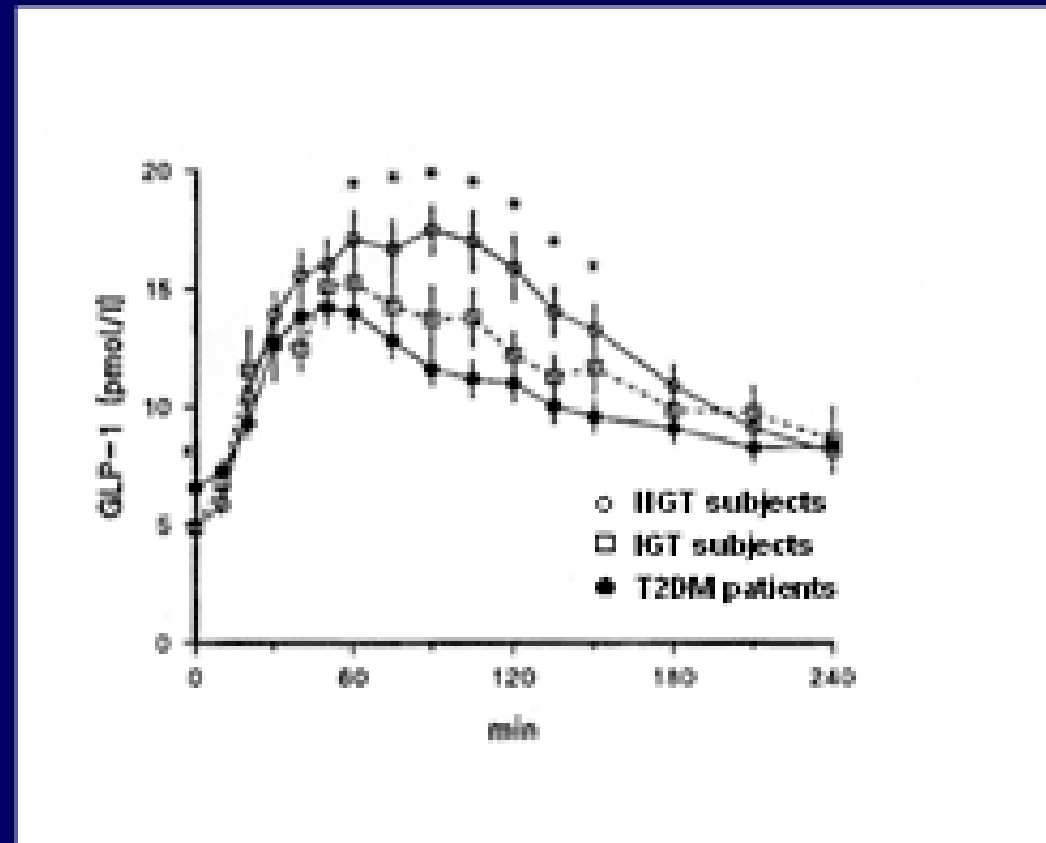
GLP-1

- Potentiates glucose-induced insulin secretion
- Upregulates insulin gene expression and all steps in insulin biosynthesis
- Upregulates expression of other genes essential for β -cell function
- Enhances β -cell proliferation and survival in animal models and isolated human islets
- Other effects:
 - \downarrow hepatic glucose output by inhibiting glucagon secretion in a glucose-dependent manner
 - \downarrow gastric emptying and appetite
 - \downarrow food intake
 - \downarrow body weight

GIP

- Potentiates glucose-induced insulin secretion
- Upregulates insulin gene expression and all steps in insulin biosynthesis
- Upregulates expression of other genes essential for β -cell function
- Enhances β -cell proliferation and survival in islets cell lines
- Does not inhibit glucagon secretion
- Minimal effects on gastric emptying
- No significant effects on appetite or body weight

Postprandial GLP-1 Levels Are Decreased in Patients With IGT and Type 2 Diabetes



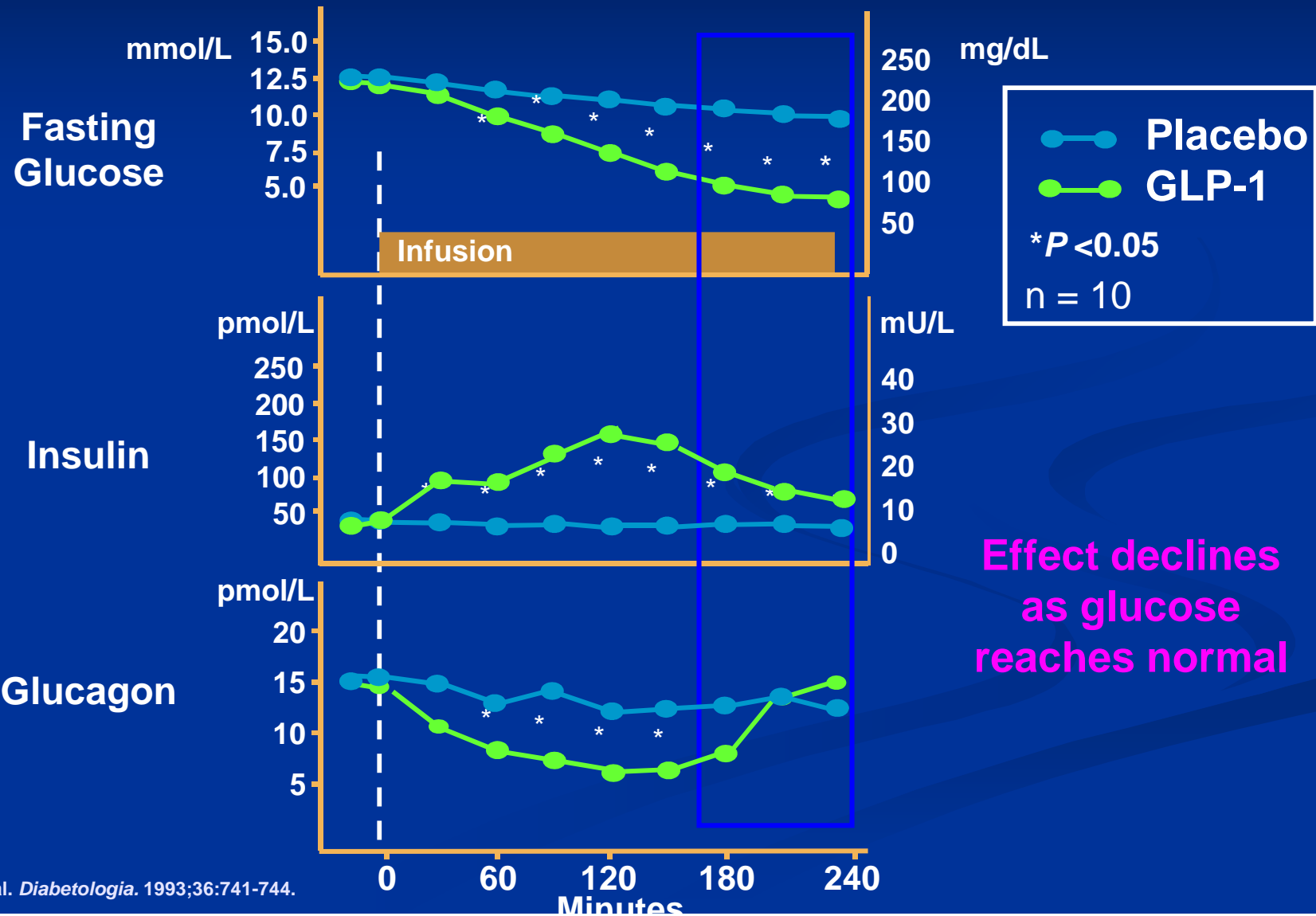
*P < 0.05

The Incretin Effect is Reduced in Type 2 Diabetes

- Secretion of GLP-1 impaired
- β -cell sensitivity to GLP-1 decreased
- Secretion of GIP normal (or slightly impaired)
- Effect of GIP abolished or grossly impaired
- Inhibition of glucagon is impaired
- The loss occurs at even slight hyperglycaemia


Can metabolism be normalised if incretin function is restored by exogenous GLP-1?

GLP-1 Actions are Glucose Dependent in Patients with Type 2 Diabetes




The Therapeutic Potential of GLP-1 Is Limited by its Rapid Inactivation

Rapid inactivation (DPP-4),
Short elimination half-life (~1-2 min)



GLP-1 must be administered
continuously (infusion)



Inconvenient for treating a chronic
disease like type 2 diabetes

Current Strategies for Improving the Therapeutic Potential of GLP-1

- Agents that mimic the actions of GLP-1 (incretin mimetics)
 - DPP-4-resistant GLP-1 derivatives
 - Examples: GLP-1 analogues, albumin bound GLP-1
 - Novel peptides that mimic some of the glucoregulatory actions of GLP-1
 - Exenatide
- Agents that prolong the activity of endogenous GLP-1
 - DPP-4 Inhibitors

Development of Exenatide: An Incretin Mimetic

Exenatide (Exendin-4)

- Synthetic version of salivary protein found in the Gila monster
- Approximately 50% identity with human GLP-1
 - Binds to known human GLP-1 receptors on β cells *in vitro*
 - Resistant to DPP-4 inactivation

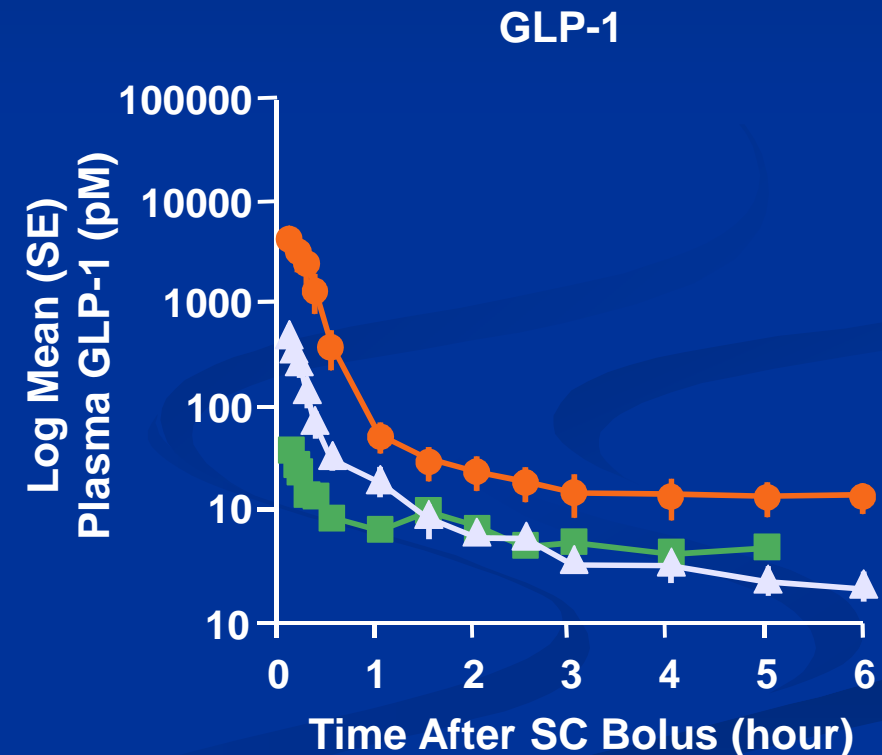
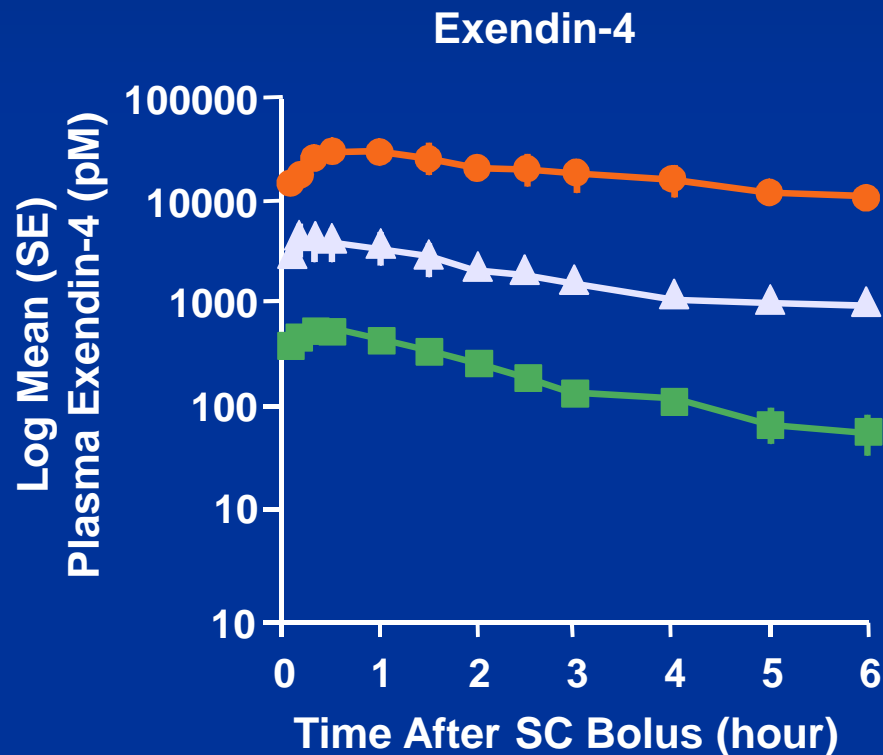


Site of DPP-4 Inactivation

Adapted from Nielsen LL, et al. *Regulatory Peptides*. 2004;117:77-88. Reprinted from *Regulatory Peptides*, 117, Nielsen LL, et al, Pharmacology of exenatide (synthetic exendin-4): a potential therapeutic for improved glycaemic control of type 2 diabetes, 77-88, 2004, with permission from Elsevier for English use only.

Exenatide (Exendin-4) Remains in the Circulation Longer than GLP-1

- 50 nmol
- ▲ 5 nmol
- 0.5 nmol



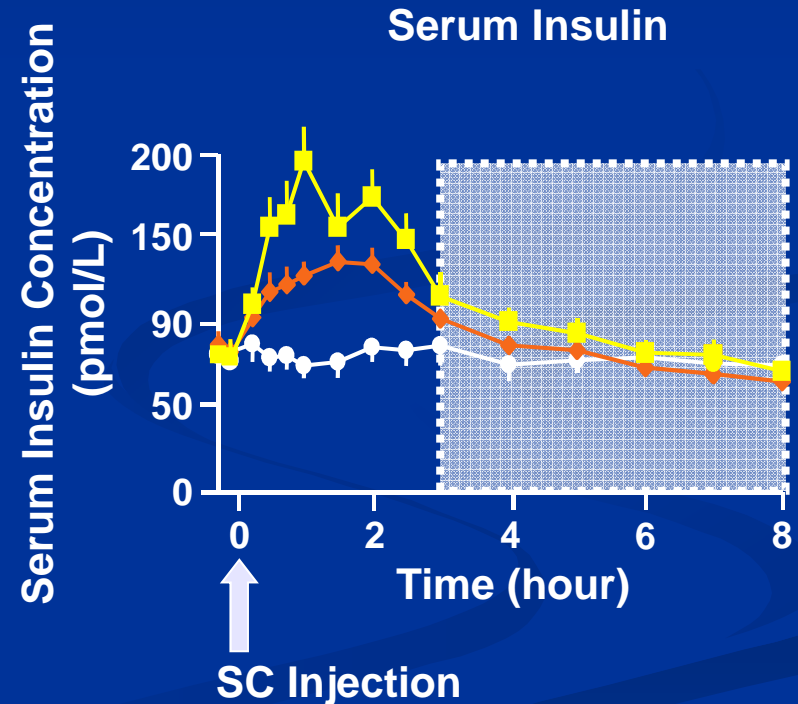
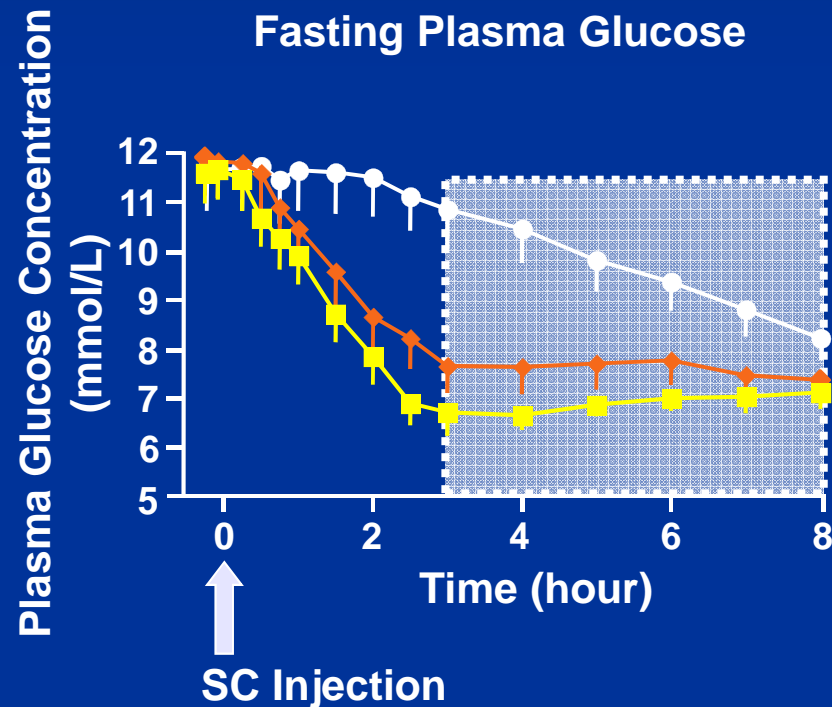
N = 4-7 (rats); p<.05.

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The Glucoregulatory Actions of Exenatide

Exenatide Reduced Fasting Hyperglycaemia in Patients With Type 2 Diabetes

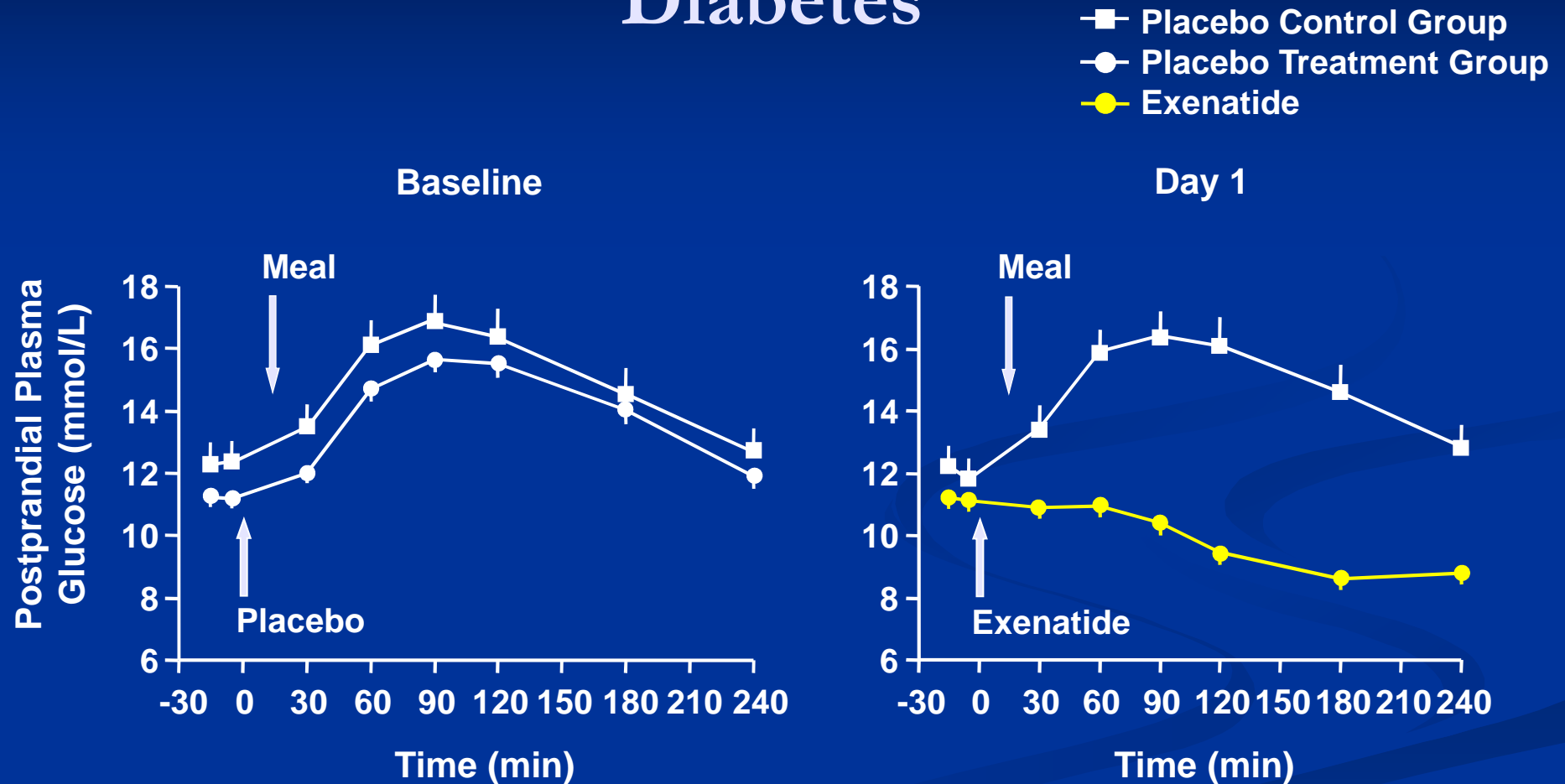
- Placebo
- ◆ Exenatide 0.05 µg/kg
- Exenatide 0.10 µg/kg



Mean (SE); N = 12; $p < .0001$ for glucose; $p < .001$ for insulin.

Adapted from Kolterman OG, et al. Synthetic exendin-4 (exenatide) significantly reduces postprandial and fasting plasma glucose in subjects with type 2 diabetes. *J Clin Endocrinol Metab.* 2003;88:3082-3089. Copyright 2003, The Endocrine Society.

Exenatide Reduced Postprandial Hyperglycaemia in Patients With Type 2 Diabetes

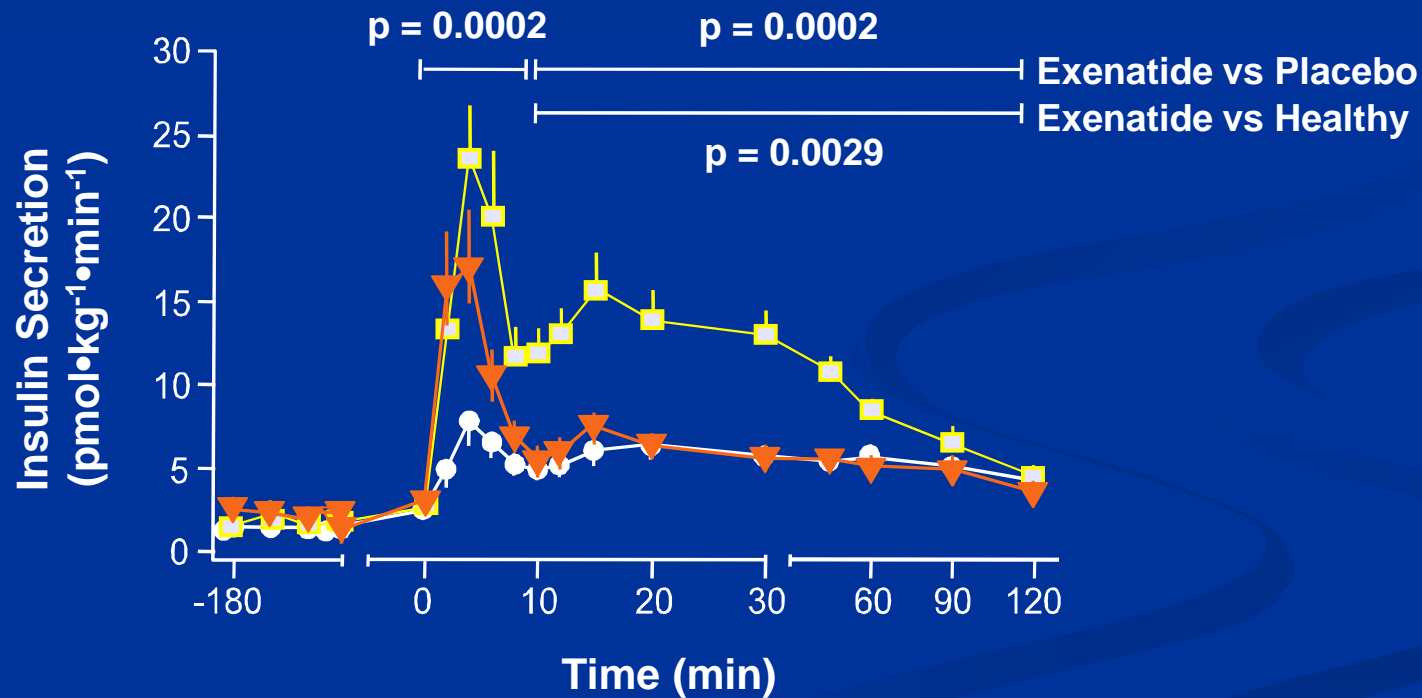


Mean (SE); N = 109; $p \leq 0.004$.

Fineman MS, et al. *Diabetes Care*. 2003;26:2370-2377. Reprinted with permission from The American Diabetes Association.

Acute Exenatide Infusion Restored First-Phase Insulin Response in Patients With Type 2 Diabetes

- Healthy Subjects, Placebo
- Type 2 Diabetes, Placebo
- Type 2 Diabetes, Exenatide

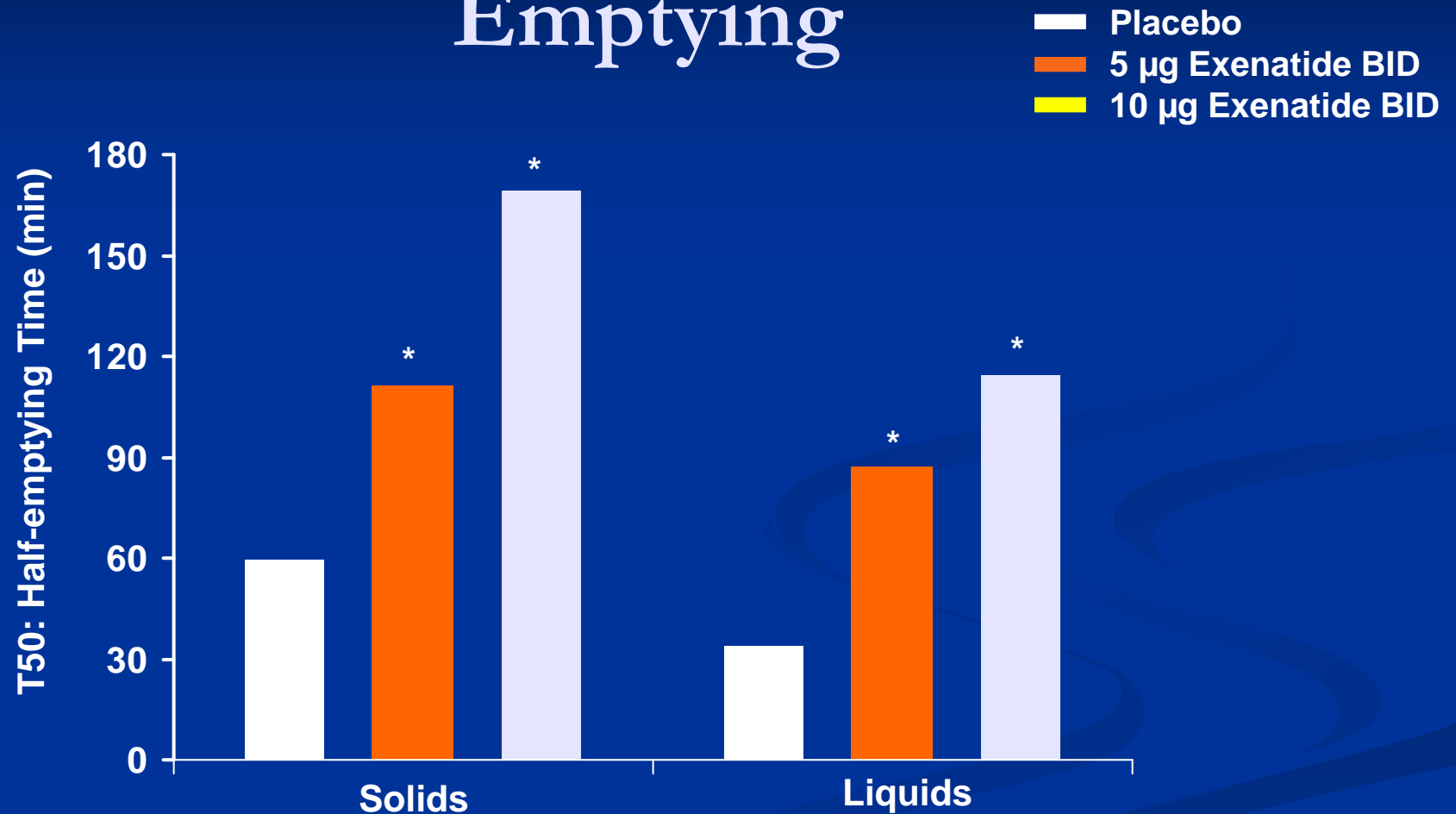


Mean (SE); N = 25.

Fehse F, et al. *J Clin Endocrinol Metab.* 2005 Nov;90(11):5991-5997. Copyright 2005, The Endocrine Society.

Exenatide

Dose-Dependently Slowed Gastric Emptying



Least Squares Geometric Means shown.

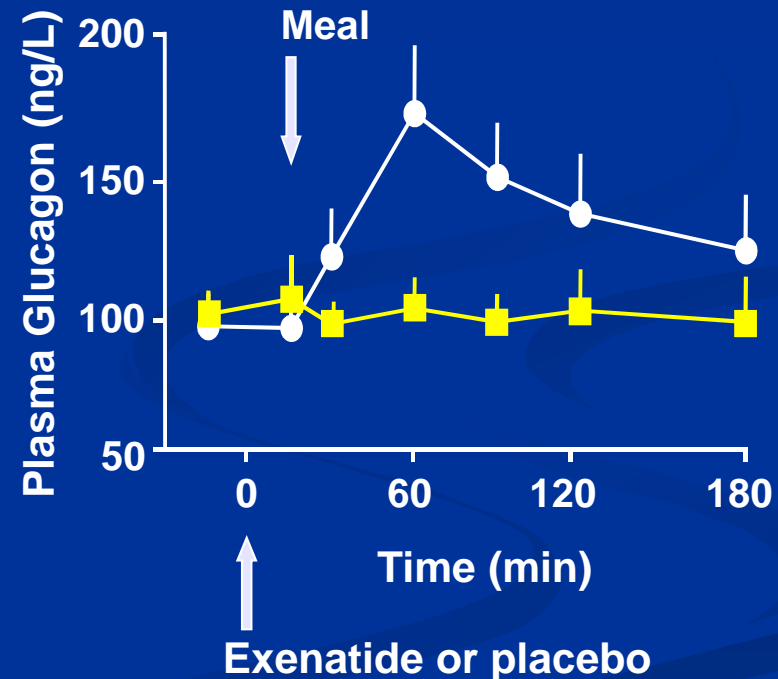
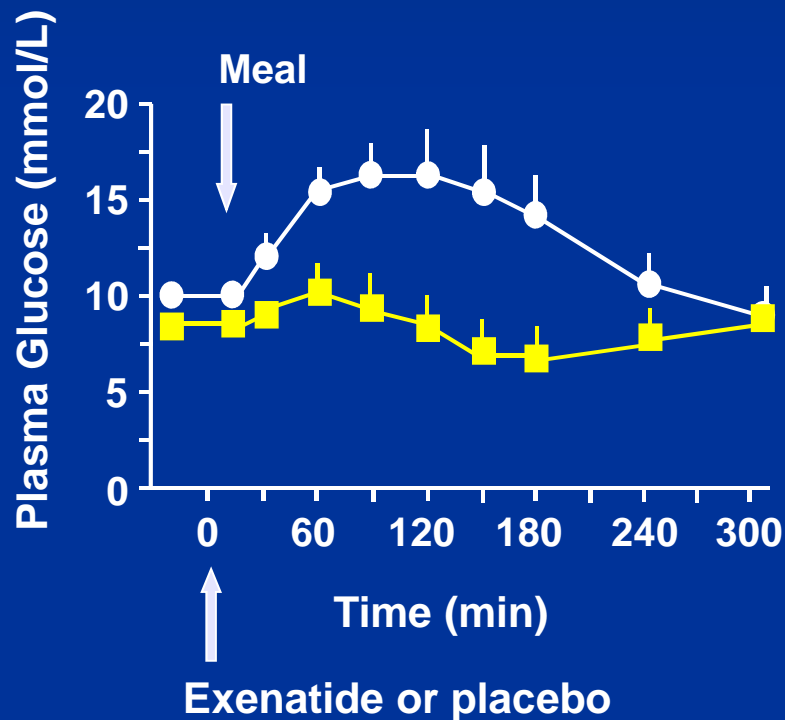
*p<.01 vs placebo.

Linnebjerg H, et al. *Diabetes*. 2006;55(Suppl 1):A28 Abstract 116-OR.

Exenatide

Reduced Glucagon Secretion in Type 2 Diabetes

● Placebo
■ Exenatide 0.10 µg/kg



N = 20; Mean (SE).

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Summary of Clinical Data

- Exenatide is a first-in-class incretin mimetic that shares several glucoregulatory actions with GLP-1:
 - Enhances glucose-dependent insulin secretion
 - Reduces postprandial glucagon levels
 - Slows gastric emptying rate
 - Reduces food intake and body weight
 - Beta cell effects
- In Phase III placebo-controlled trials, exenatide:
 - Lowered HbA_{1c} ~1%
 - Reduced body weight 4-5 lbs
 - Demonstrated sustained effects in extension studies (2-year data)
- When compared to insulin, exenatide provides similar HbA_{1c} improvements, with the potential advantages of tighter postprandial control and reduced body weight

Summary of Safety Data:

- The most common adverse events associated with exenatide are mild-to-moderate **gastrointestinal effects, most common at initiation of therapy**
- Exenatide treatment is associated with low rates of hypoglycaemia
 - When co-administered with MET alone, exenatide was not associated with an increased risk of hypoglycaemia
 - When co-administered with an SFU, exenatide was associated with an increased incidence of hypoglycaemia compared to SFU alone
 - Generally manageable by reduction in SFU dose

JANUVIA[®] (Sitagliptin)

A Selective DPP-4 Inhibitor

DPP-IV Inhibitors: Overview

Mechanism of action Inhibit degradation of incretins (e.g., GLP-1) resulting in

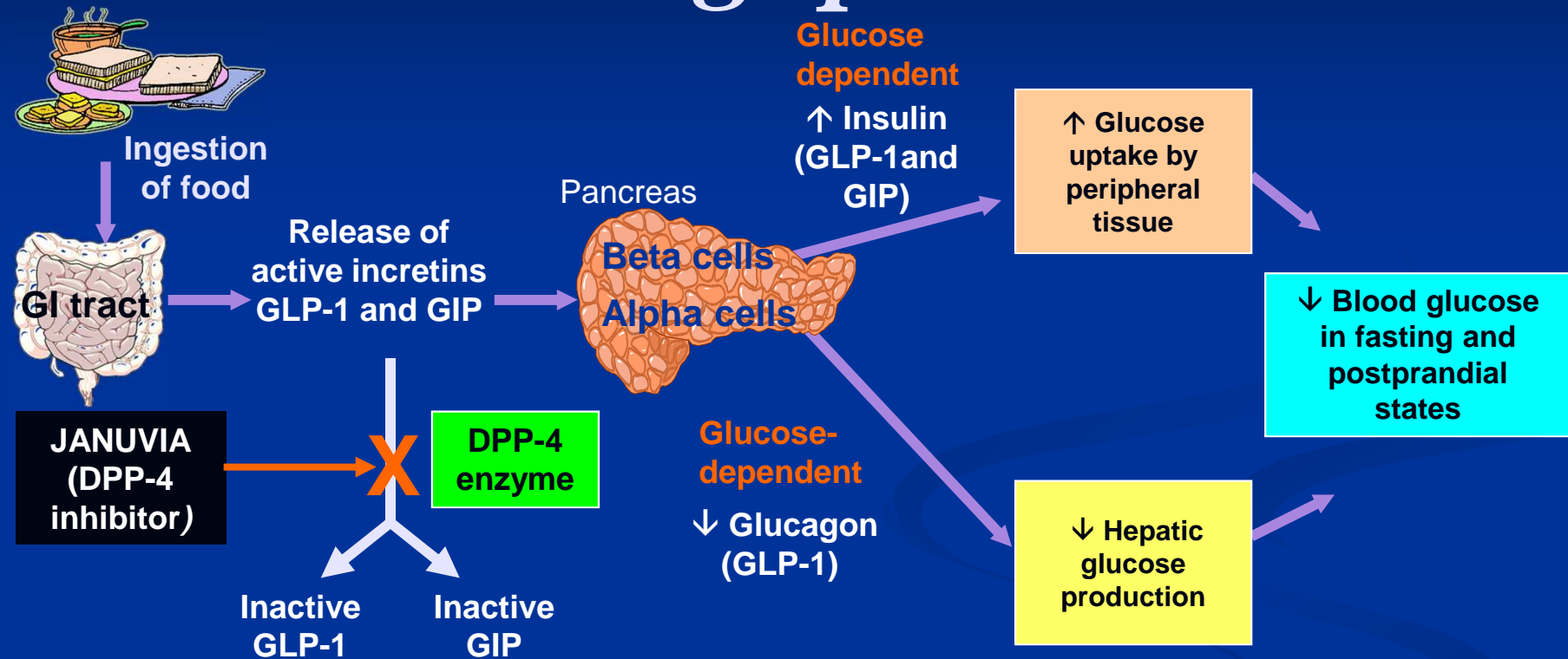
- Increased insulin release
- Decreased glucagon secretion
- Delayed gastric emptying
- Reduced food intake
- Potentially improved beta-cell function

Route of administration Oral

Potential benefits Preservation or restoration of beta-cell function
Durable glucose control

Adapted from Ahrén B *Curr Diab Rep* 2003;3:365–372; Schirra J et al *J Endocrinol* 1998;156(1):177–186; Meier JJ et al *Clin Endocrinol Metab* 2003;88(6):2719–2725; Holz GG, Chepurny OG *Curr Med Chem* 2003;10(22):2471–2483; Drucker DJ *Expert Opin Invest Drugs* 2003;12(1):87–100; Gutzwiller JP et al *Am J Physiol* 1999;76(5 pt 2):R1541–1544; Drucker DJ *Endocrinology* 2001;142(2):521–527; Holst JJ, Deacon CF *Diabetes* 1998;47(11):1663–1670.

Mechanism of Action of Sitagliptin

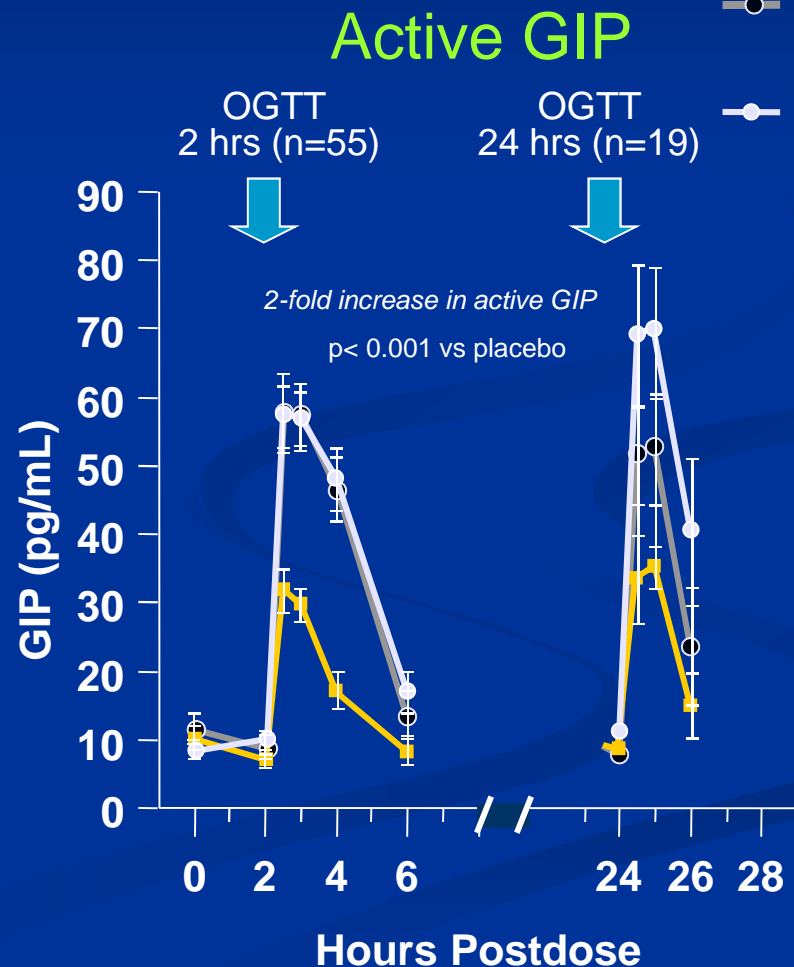
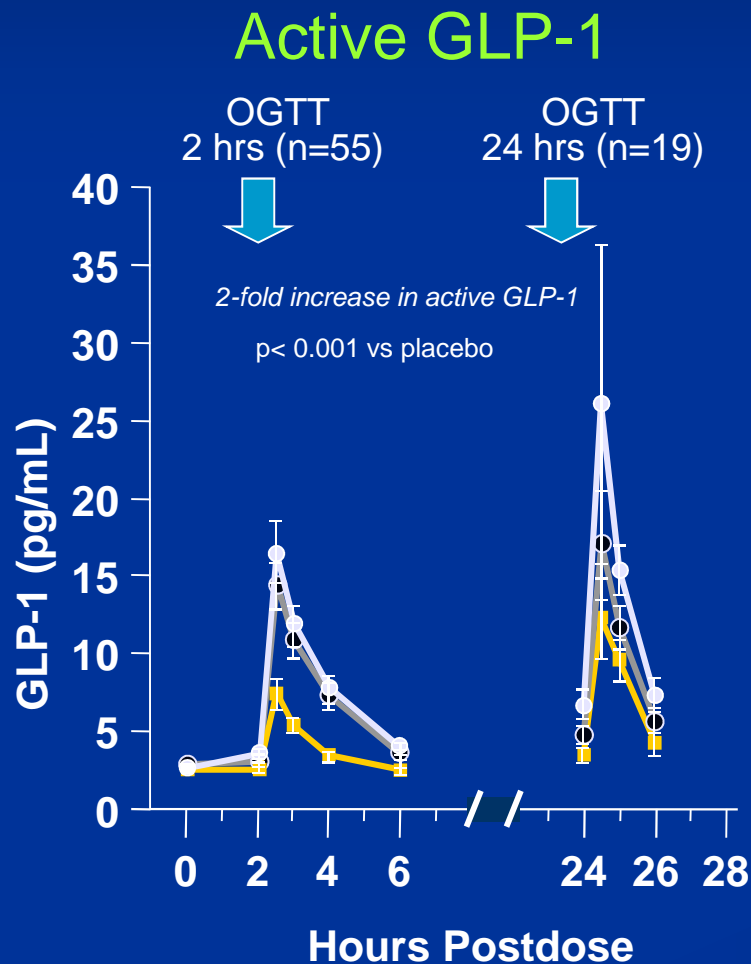


- Incretin hormones GLP-1 and GIP are released by the intestine throughout the day, and their levels ↑ in response to a meal. Concentrations of the active intact hormones are increased by JANUVIA™ (sitagliptin phosphate), thereby increasing and prolonging the actions of these hormones.

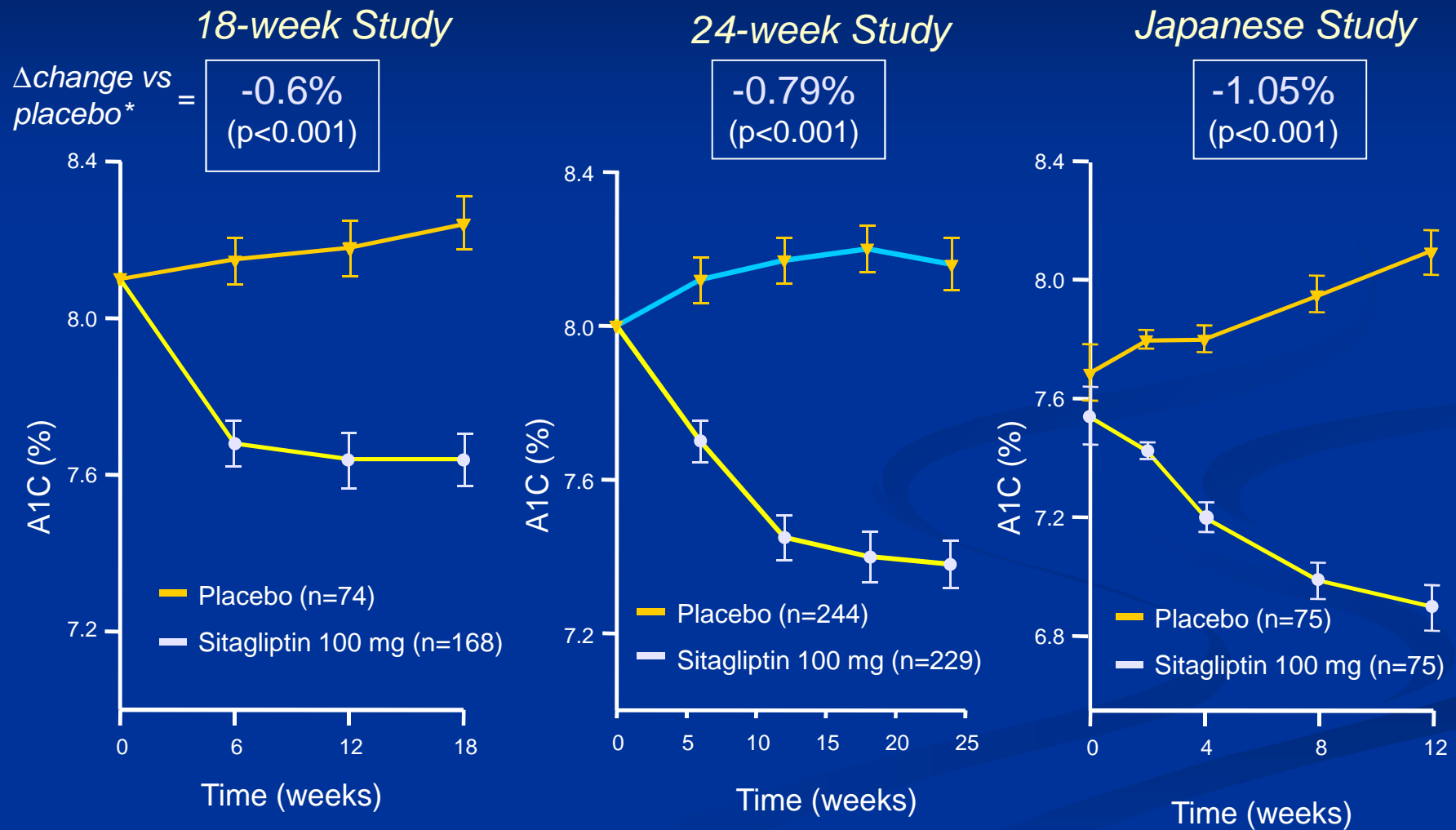
A Single Dose of Sitagliptin Increased Active GLP-1 and GIP Over 24 Hours

Crossover study in patients with T2DM

- Placebo
- Sitagliptin 25 mg
- Sitagliptin 200 mg



Sitagliptin Consistently and Significantly Lowers A1C with Once-Daily Dosing in Monotherapy

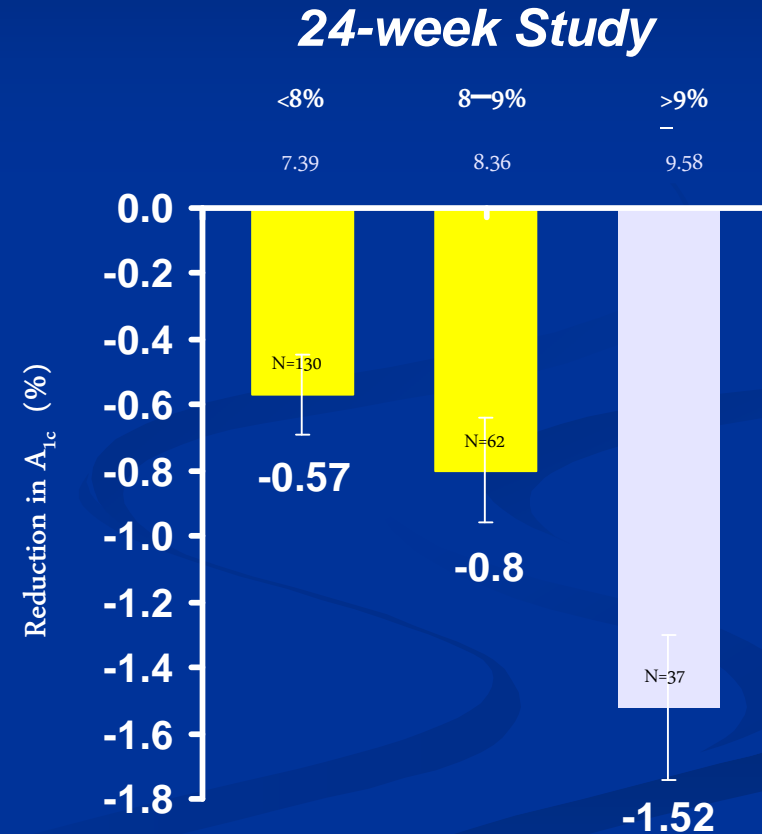
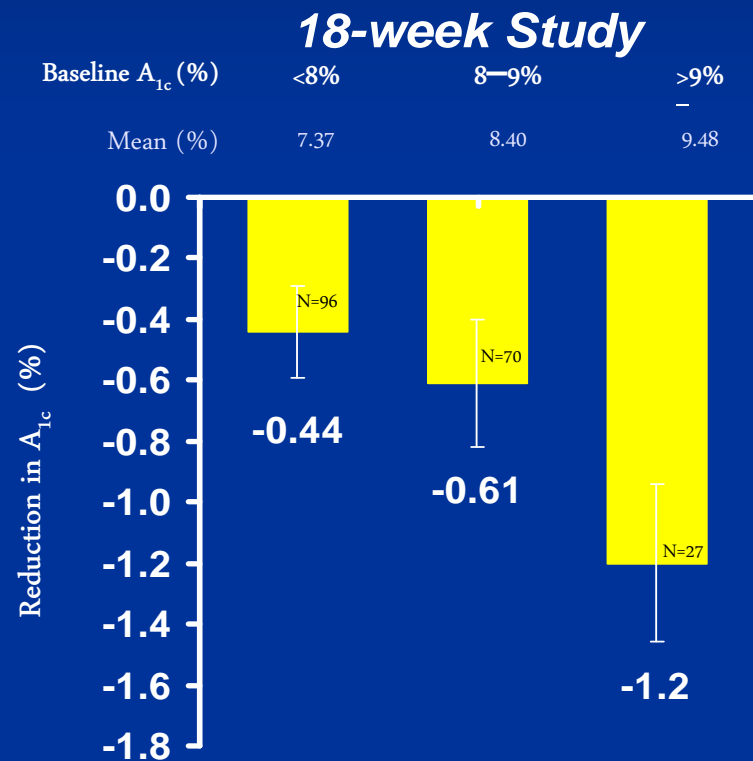


*between group difference in LS means

Raz I et al; PN023; Aschner P et al. PN021; Nonaka K et al; A201. Abstracts presented at: ADA 2006

Sitagliptin: Provides Significantly and Progressively Greater Reductions in HbA_{1c}

Inclusion Criteria: 7%–10%

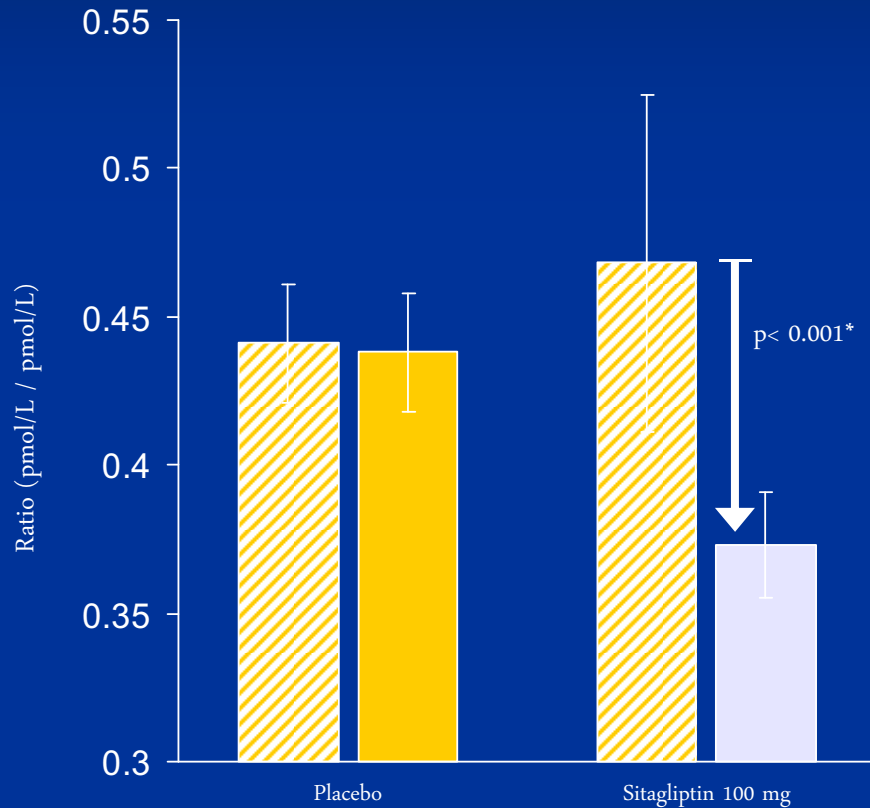


Reductions are placebo-subtracted

Adapted from Raz I et al. PN023; Aschner P et al. PN021. Abstracts presented at: ADA2006

Sitagliptin Improved Markers of Beta-Cell Function: 24-Week Monotherapy Study

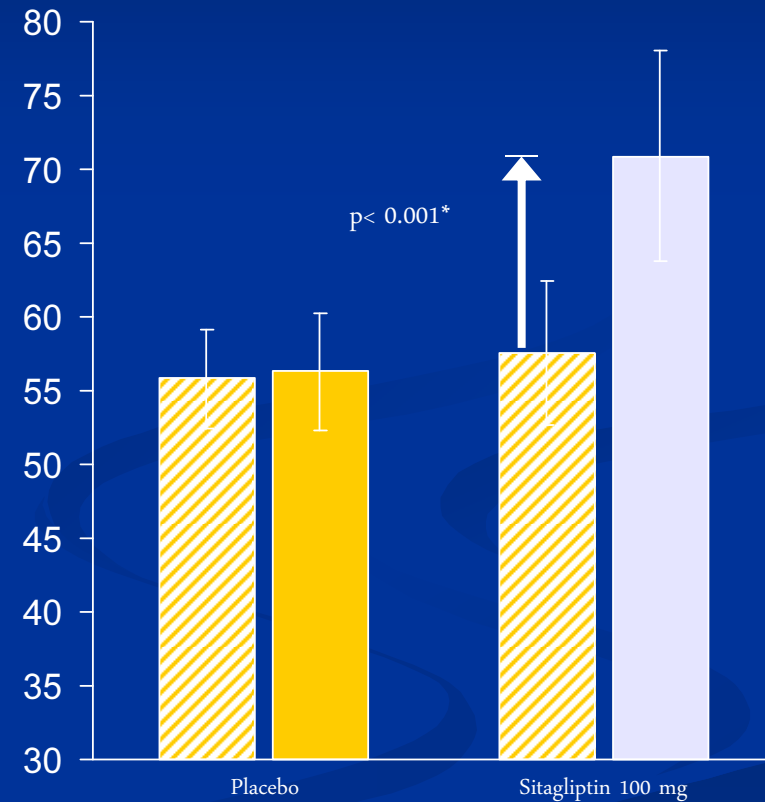
Proinsulin/insulin ratio



Δ from baseline vs pbo = 0.078
(95% CI -0.114, -0.023)

Hatched = Baseline
Solid = Week 24

HOMA- β



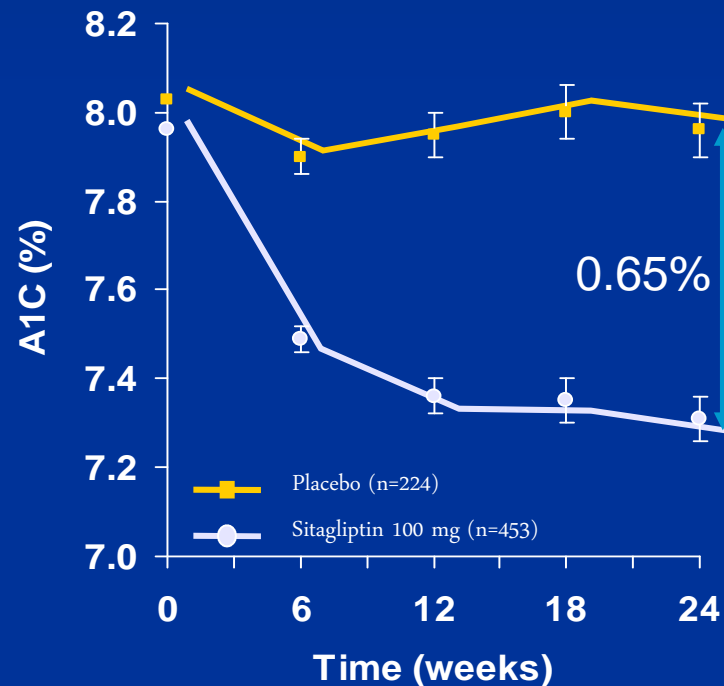
Δ from baseline vs pbo = 13.2
(95% CI 3.9, 21.9)

*P value for change from baseline compared to placebo
Aschner P et al. PN021; Abstract presented at: American Diabetes Association; June 10, 2006; Washington, DC.

Sitagliptin Once Daily Significantly Lowers HbA_{1c} When Added On to Metformin or Pioglitazone

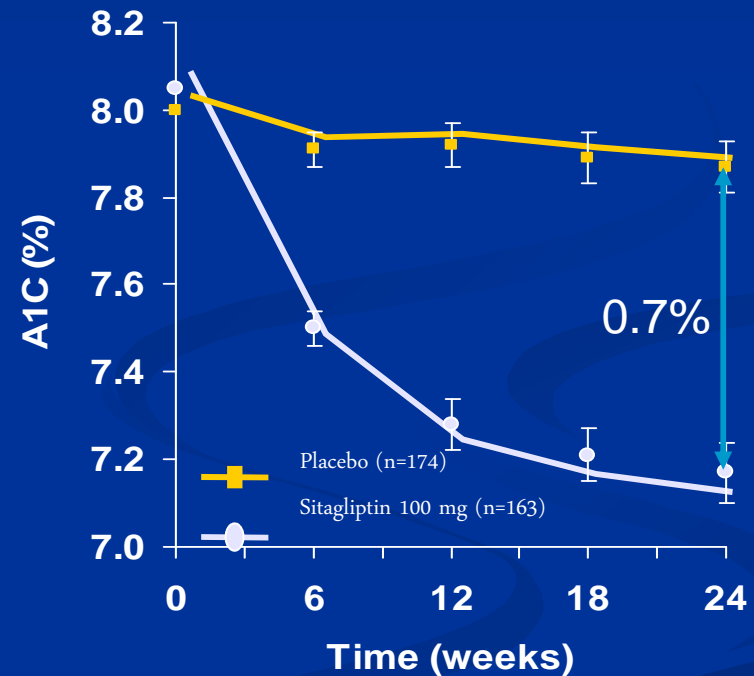
Add-On to Metformin Study

Δ in A1C vs Pbo* = -0.65% (p<0.001)



Add-On to Pioglitazone Study

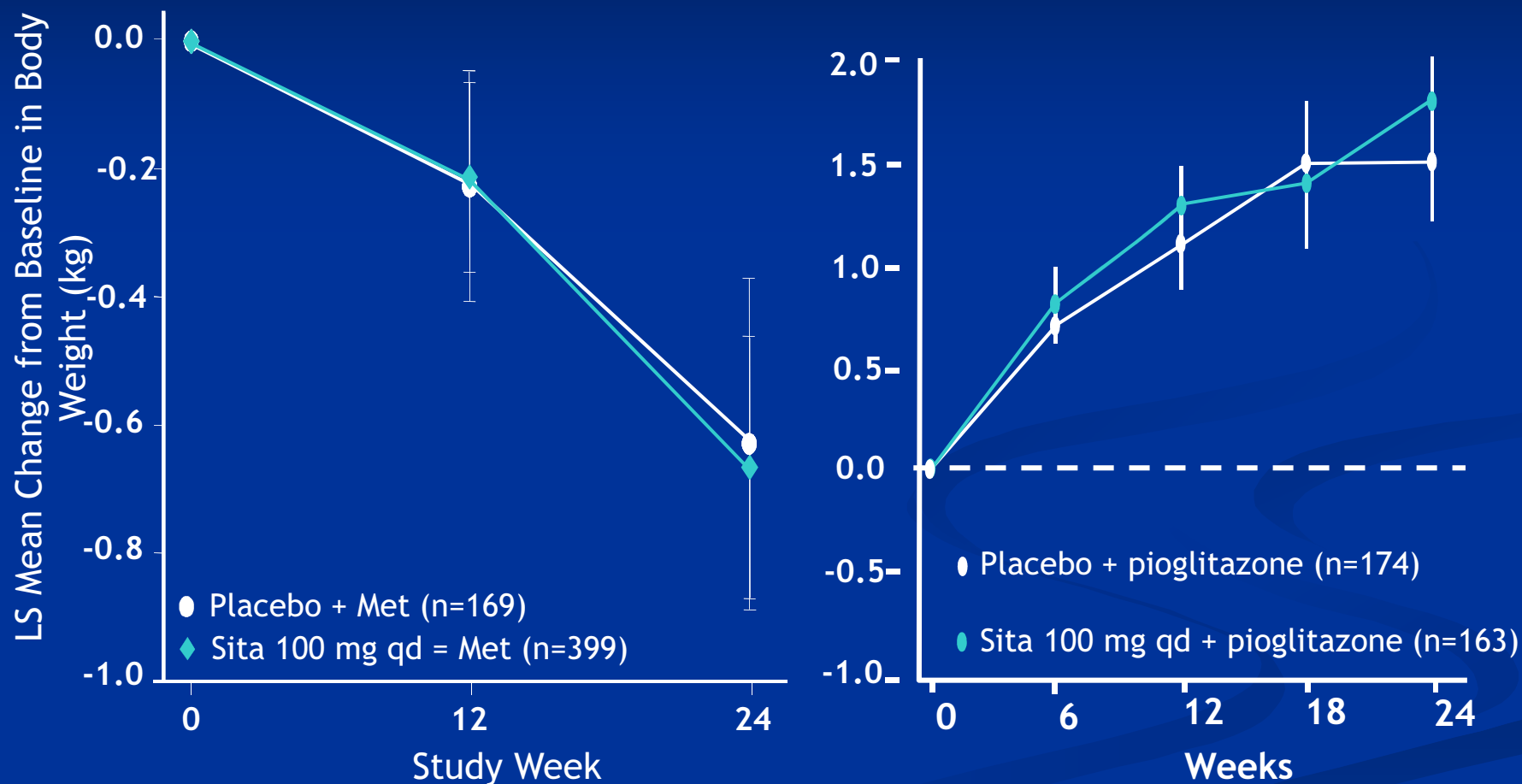
Δ in A1C vs Pbo* = -0.70% (p<0.001)



*Placebo Subtracted Difference in LS Means.

Rosenstock J et al. PN019. Hashomer T et al. PN020. Abstracts presented at: ADA2006

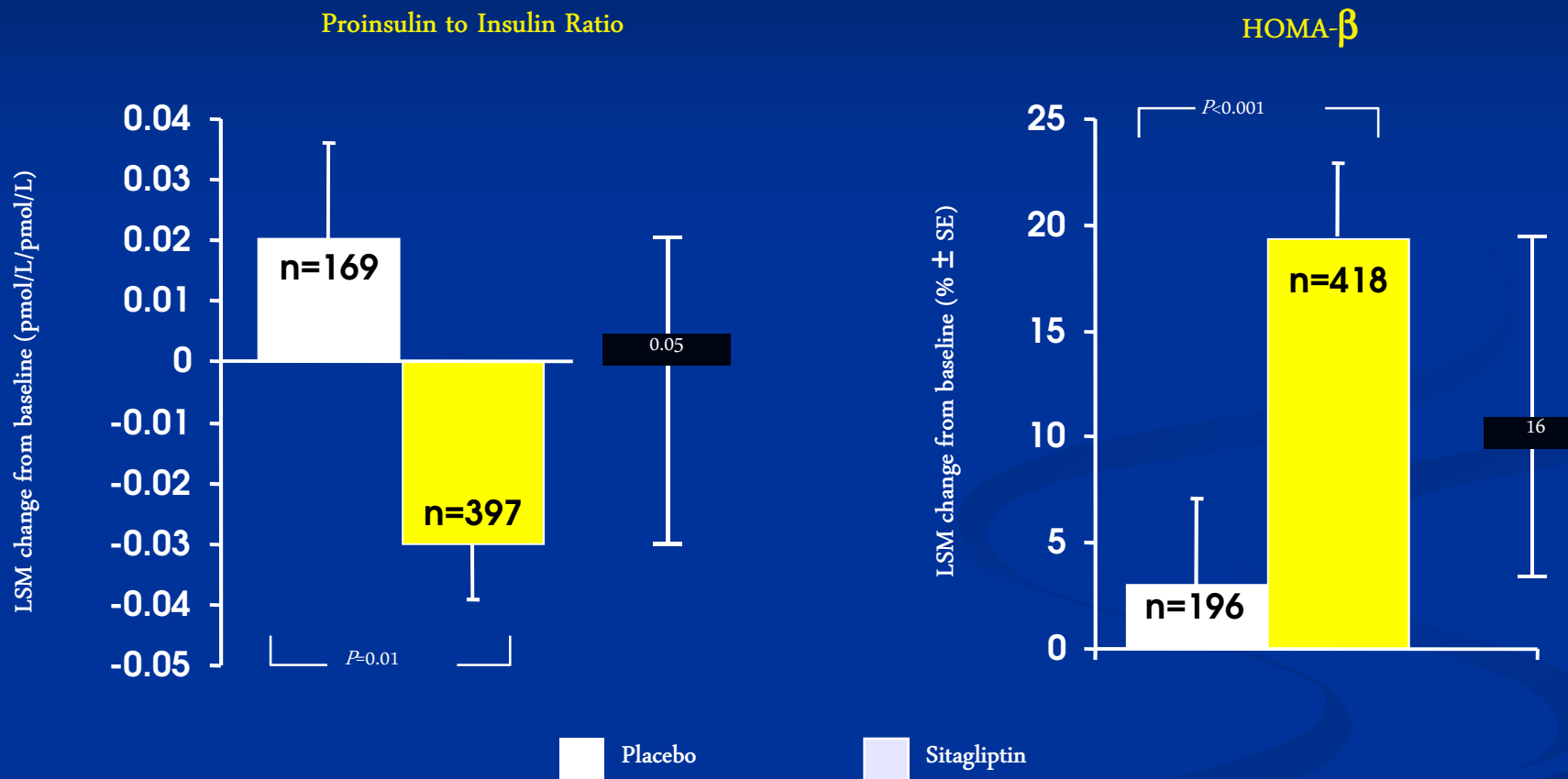
Sitagliptin Added to Ongoing Metformin or Pioglitazone: Change in Body Weight Over Time



Karasik A et al. Presented at: The 66th Scientific Session of the American Diabetes Association; June 11, 2006; Washington, D.C. Abstract 020. Rosenstock J et al. Presented at: The 66th Scientific Session of the American Diabetes Association; June 11, 2006; Washington, D.C. Abstract 019.

24-week Add-on Therapy to Metformin Study

Measures of Beta-cell Function at Week 24



Baseline: proinsulin to insulin ratio (sitagliptin = 0.357 pmol/L/pmol/L, placebo = 0.369 pmol/L/pmol/L),

HOMA- β (sitagliptin = 46.4%, placebo = 45.1%)

All-patients-as-treated population

LSM = least square mean; HOMA- β = homeostasis model assessment- β

Adapted from Charbonnel et al. *Diabetes Care*. 2006;29:2638–2643.

24-week Add-on Therapy to Metformin Study

Number of Patients With Selected GI-related AEs

	Sitagliptin 100 mg (n=464)		Placebo (n=237)	
	n	(%)	n	(%)
Abdominal pain	10	(2.2)	9	(3.8)
Diarrhea	12	(2.6)	6	(2.5)
Nausea	6	(1.3)	2	(0.8)
Vomiting	5	(1.1)	2	(0.8)

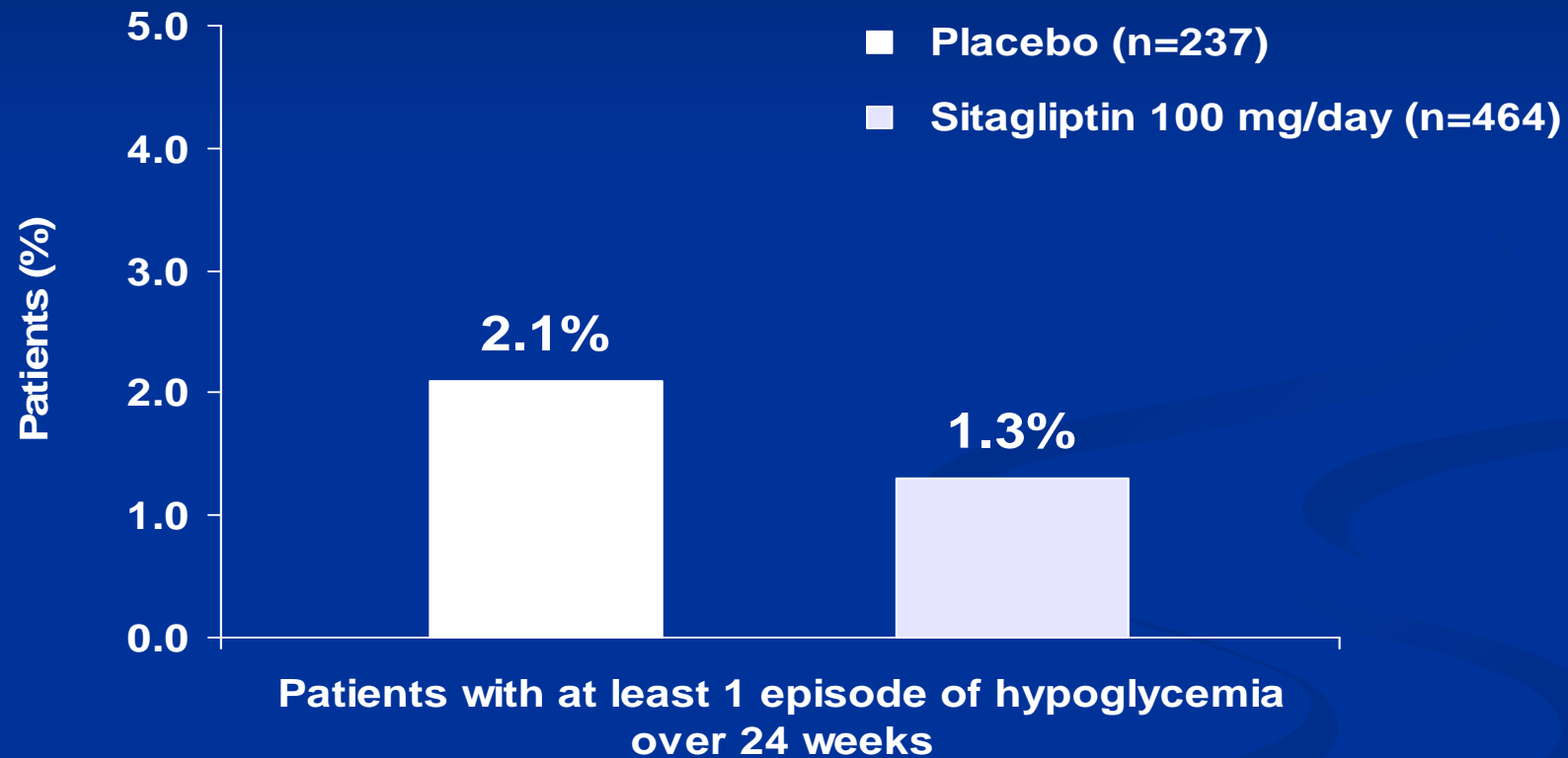
All-patients-as-treated population

GI = gastrointestinal

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24-week Add-on Therapy to Metformin Study

Incidence of Hypoglycemia

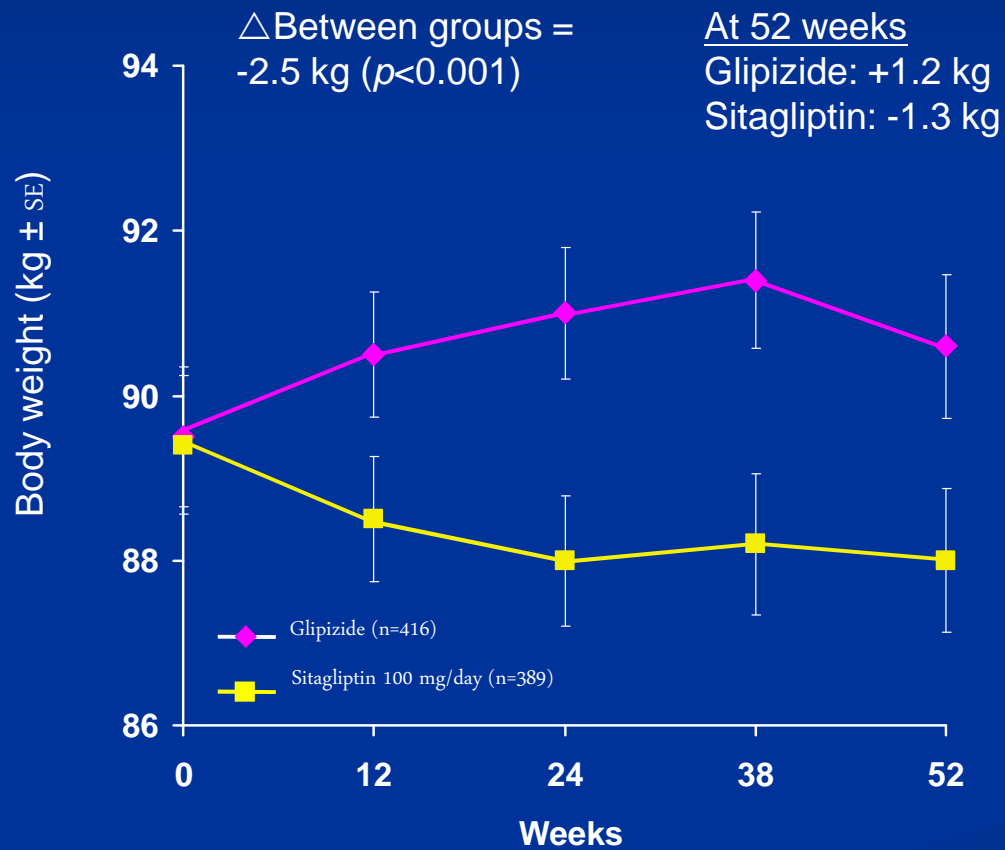


All-patients-as-treated population

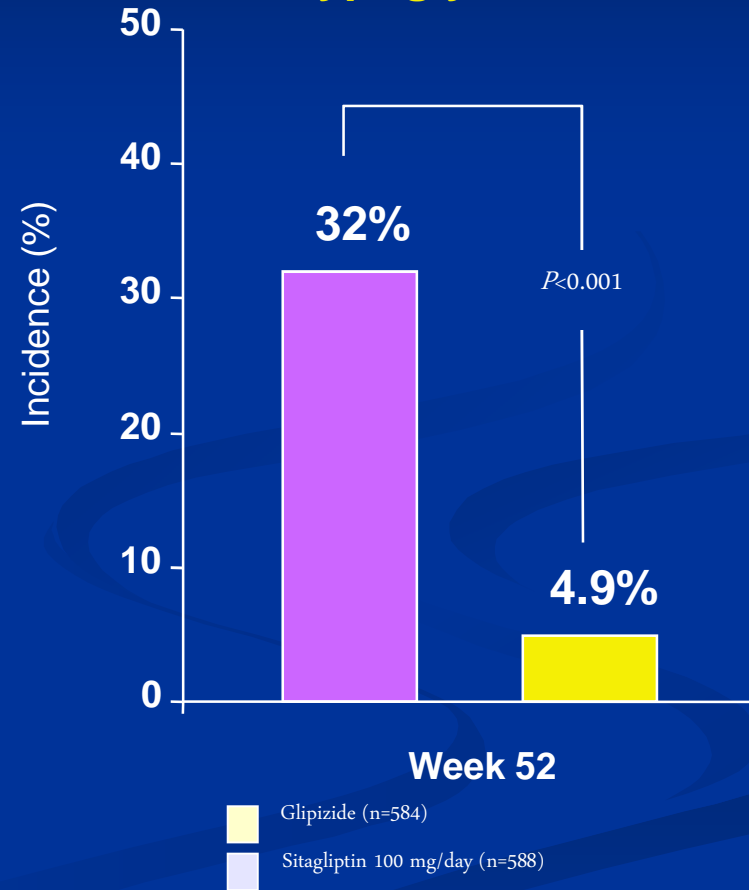
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52-Week Sitagliptin vs Glipizide Add-on Therapy to Metformin Study

Change in Body Weight Over Time^a



Hypoglycemia^b



^aAll-patients-as-treated population; ^bpatients with at least one episode; all-patients-treated population

LSM between-group difference at week 52 (95% CI): Δ in body weight = -2.5 kg [-3.1, -2.0] ($P < 0.001$);

LSM change from baseline at week 52: glipizide: +1.1 kg; sitagliptin: -1.5 kg

Summary: Sitagliptin

- Orally active, 100 mg once daily
- Generally well tolerated
- Low incidence of hypoglycemia (1.2% vs 0.9%)
- Weight neutral
- Efficacy: reduce fasting and postprandial blood glucose, lowers HbA1c 0.6 to 1%
- Current approved indications for type 2 DM:
 - Monotherapy, or
 - Add-on therapy to sulfonylureas, metformin or glitazone
 - Combination with metformin and a sulfonylurea
- No significant drug interactions

Patients With Renal Insufficiency

Renal Insufficiency	Mild	Moderate	Severe and ESRD*
Increase in Plasma AUC of Sitagliptin†	~1.1 to 1.6-fold increase‡	~2-fold increase	~4-fold increase
Recommended Dose	100 mg no dose adjustment required	50 mg	25 mg

To achieve plasma concentrations similar to patients with normal renal function, lower doses of JANUVIA® (sitagliptin phosphate) are recommended in moderate and severe renal insufficiency.

ESRD=end-stage renal disease; AUC=area under the curve.

***Includes patients on hemodialysis or peritoneal dialysis.**

†Compared with normal healthy control subjects.

‡Not clinically relevant.

What is the difference between DPP-IV Inhibitors and Exenatide

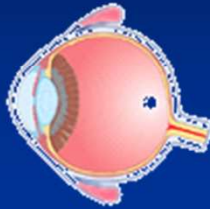
	Sitagliptin	Exenatide
Route of administration	p.o.	s.c.
GLP elevation	2-4 fold	10 fold
HbA1c reduction	-0.7%	-1.1%
Weight effects	neutral	-4.7 kg
Hypoglycemia potency	none	none
B-cell protection	possible	possible

Type 2 diabetes and CV risk

Type 2 diabetes is **NOT** a mild disease

Diabetic retinopathy

Leading cause of blindness in working-age adults¹



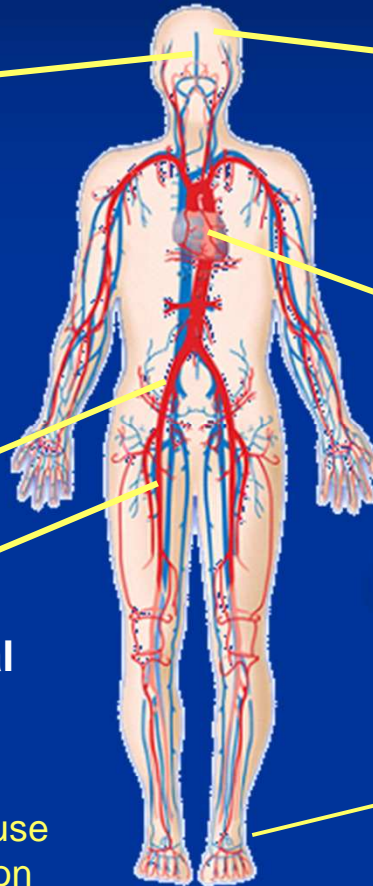
Diabetic nephropathy

Leading cause of end-stage renal disease²



Peripheral vascular disease

Leading cause of amputation



Stroke

1.2- to 1.8-fold increase in stroke³



Cardiovascular disease

75% diabetic patients die from CV events⁴



Diabetic neuropathy

Leading cause of non-traumatic lower extremity amputations⁵

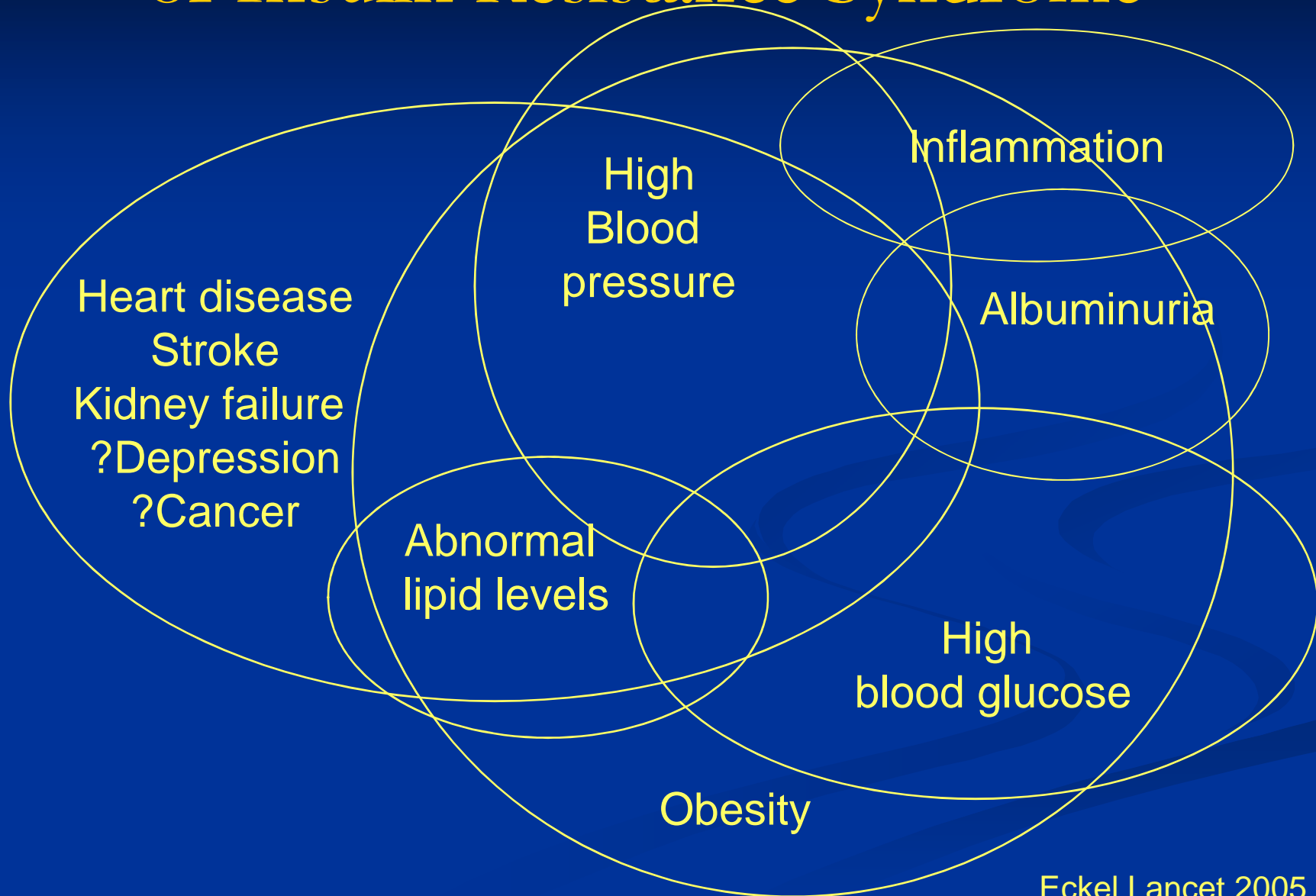


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Metabolic Syndrome or Insulin Resistance Syndrome



ABC + 2A + 2S

- HbA1c
- Blood Pressure
- Cholesterol (Low density lipoprotein cholesterol)
- + Aspirin
- + ACEI or ARB
- + Stop Smoking

Effects of Treatment Targets on Subsequent Cardiovascular Events in Chinese Patients With Type 2 Diabetes

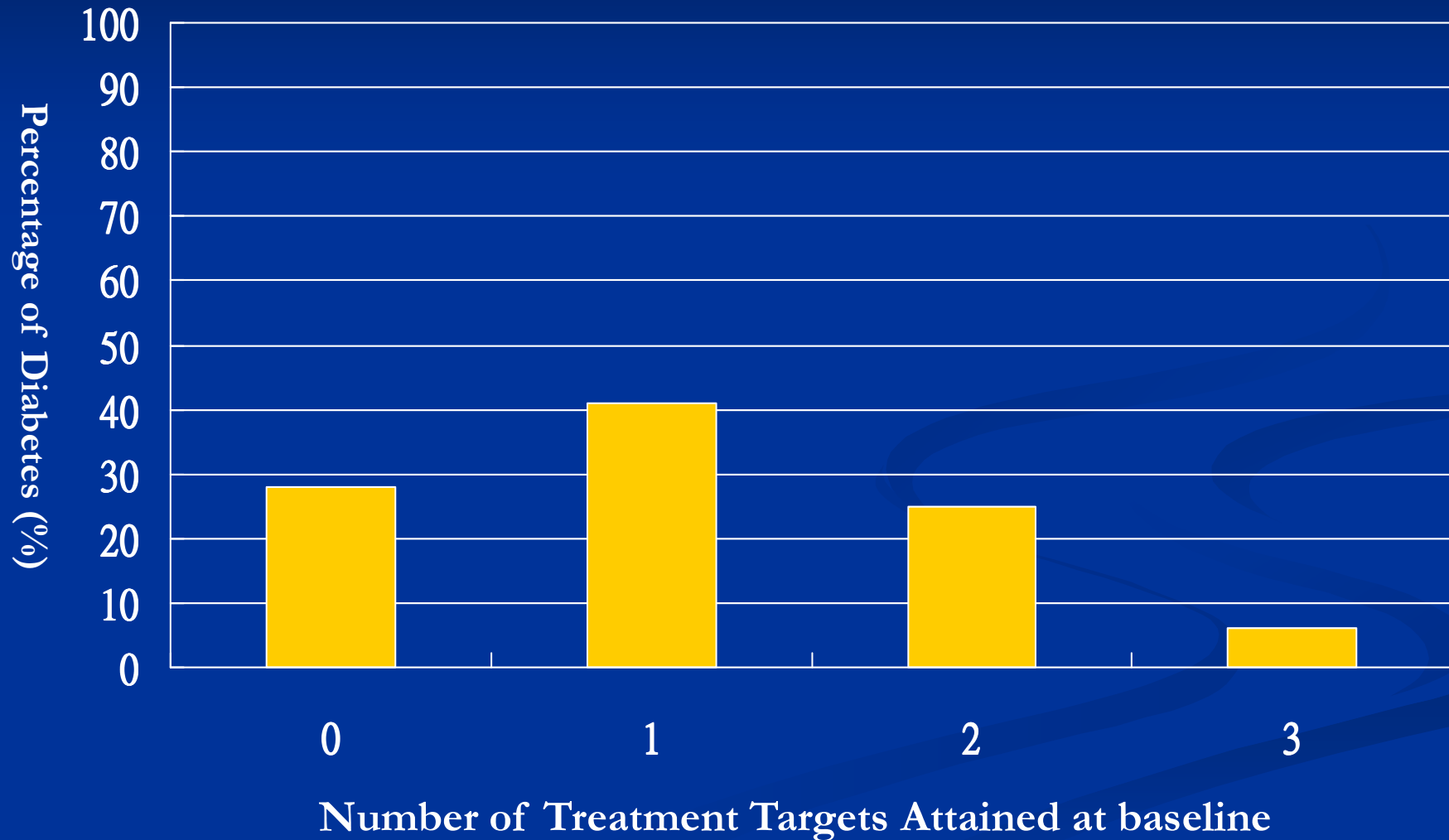
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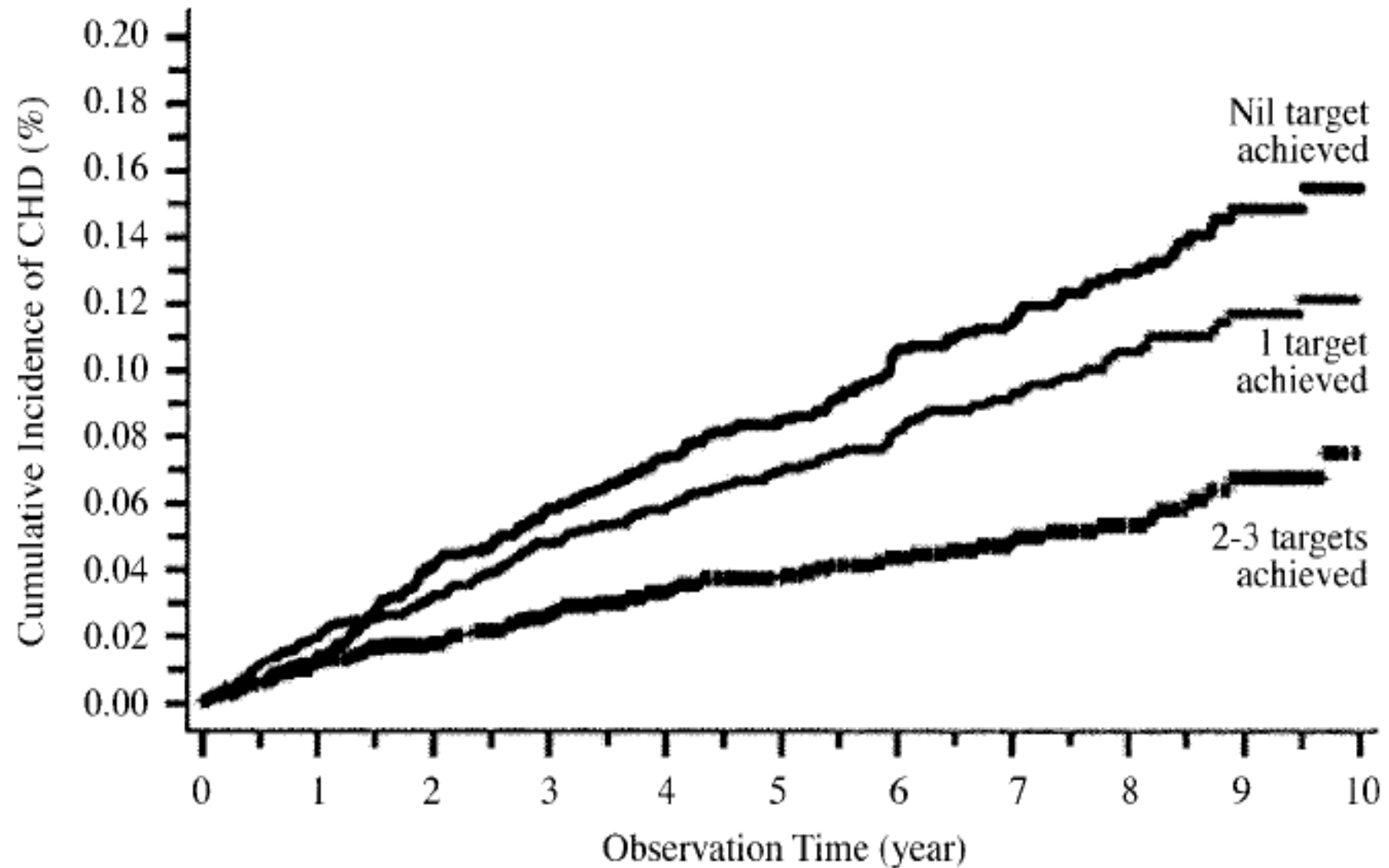
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- Between 1995 and 2005, 6,386 Chinese type 2 diabetic patients without history of CHD or stroke were recruited.
- Classified according to the number of treatment targets attained at baseline, and their cardiovascular outcomes were compared.

ABC targets in Hong Kong T2DM





- Attainment of 2 or more treatment targets at baseline was associated with reduced risk of CHD compared with those with no target achieved.

