



A1c less than 8% is fine for most adults:

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# When this topic became an issue?

- April 17, 2018 ACP published a clinical guidelines for a nonpregnant adults with type 2 diabetes where they stated:
  - Personalization of goals for glycemic control
  - **Levels of A1c between 7%-8% for most patients with type 2 diabetes should be aim**
  - Deintensification of pharmacological therapy in patients with A1c less than 6.5%
  - To treat patient with type 2 diabetes to minimize symptoms and avoid targeting A1c in patients with life expectancy less than 10 years.

# The issue...

- ACP is an association that reunite a very large number of Primary Care Physicians
- These recommendations about the care of most type 2 diabetic patients could prevent many of them to received the benefit of long term glucose control.

# Where we agree?

## AACE Comprehensive Diabetes Care: Glucose Goals

Parameter	Treatment Goal
A1C (%)	$\leq 6.5$ if it can be achieved without substantial hypoglycemia or other unacceptable consequences <i>&gt;6.5% to 8% for those at risk*</i>
FPG (mg/dL)	<110
2- hour PPG (mg/dL)	<140

## ADA-Recommended Glucose Goals

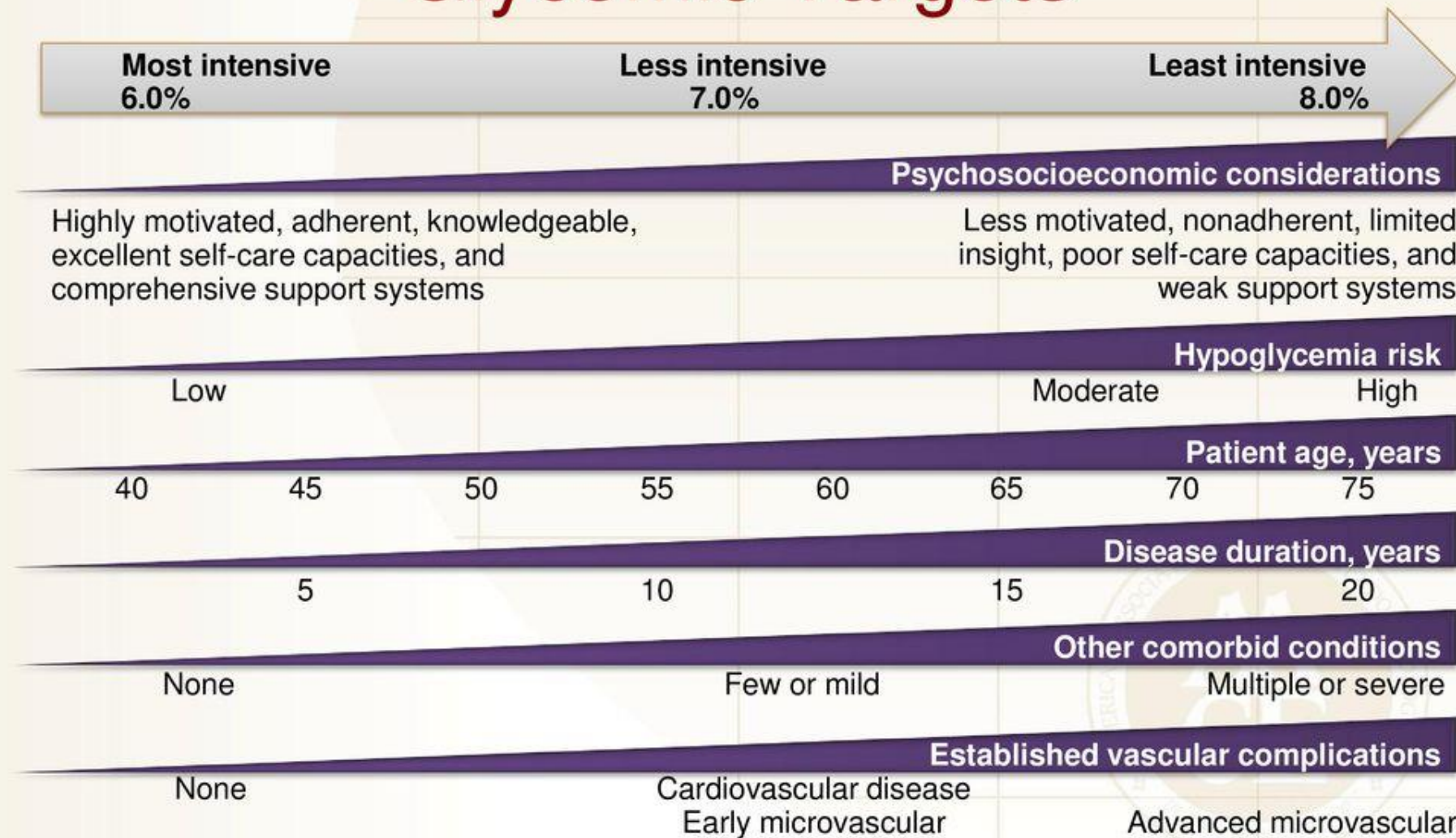
Parameter	Treatment Goal
A1C (%)	<7.0% for most adults $<6.5$ if it can be achieved without significant hypoglycemia or other adverse effects of treatment* <i>&lt;8% for those at risk*</i>
Preprandial glucose (mg/dL)	80-130
Peak postprandial glucose (mg/dL)	<180

# Those at risk...

- Factors for a higher A1C target include
  - Risk for hypoglycemia
  - History of severe hypoglycemia
  - Limited life expectancy
  - Long-standing T2D in which the A1C goal has been difficult to attain despite intensive efforts
  - Advanced micro- or macrovascular complications
  - Extensive comorbid conditions

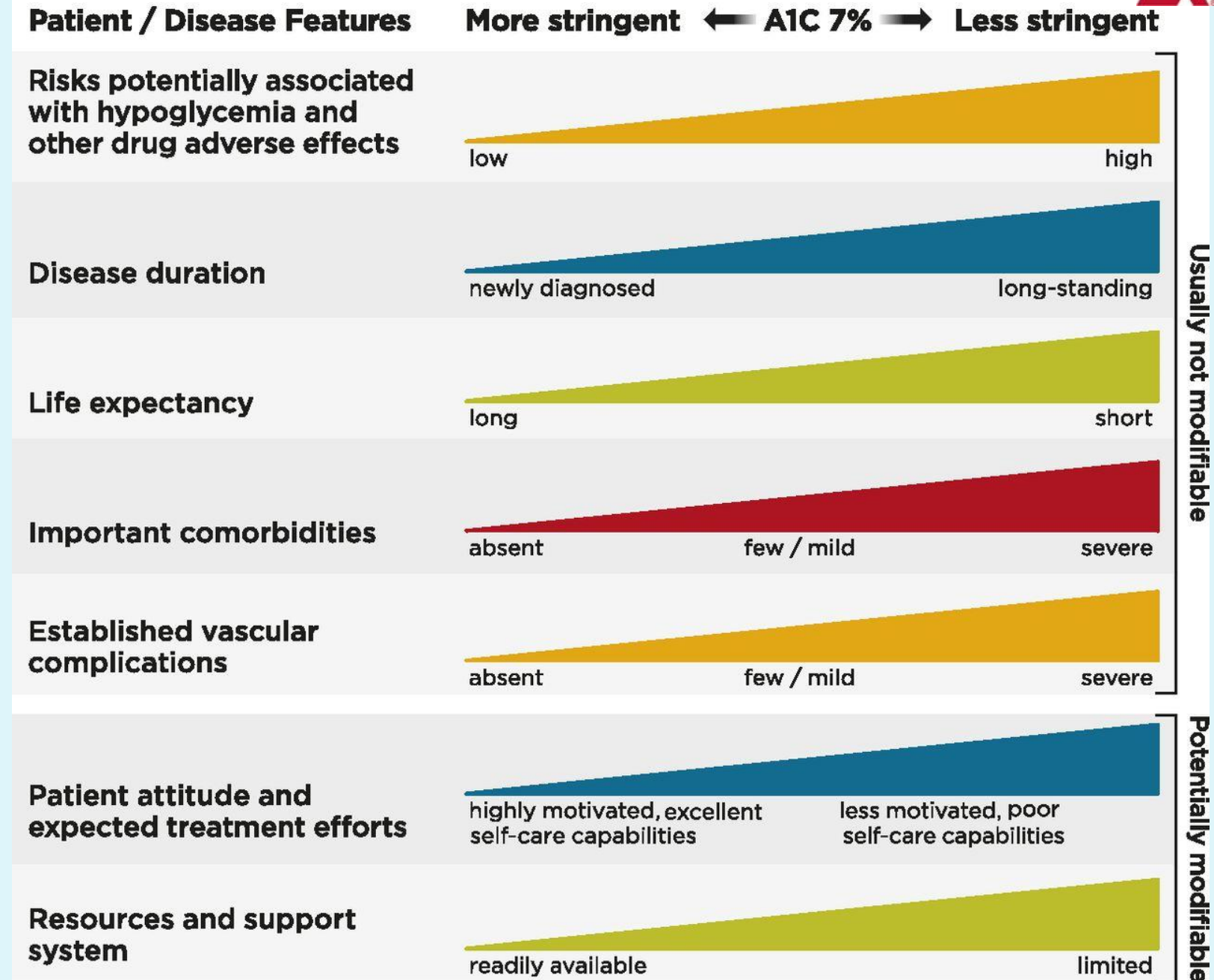


# Algorithm for Individualizing Glycemic Targets





# Approach to the Management of Hyperglycemia





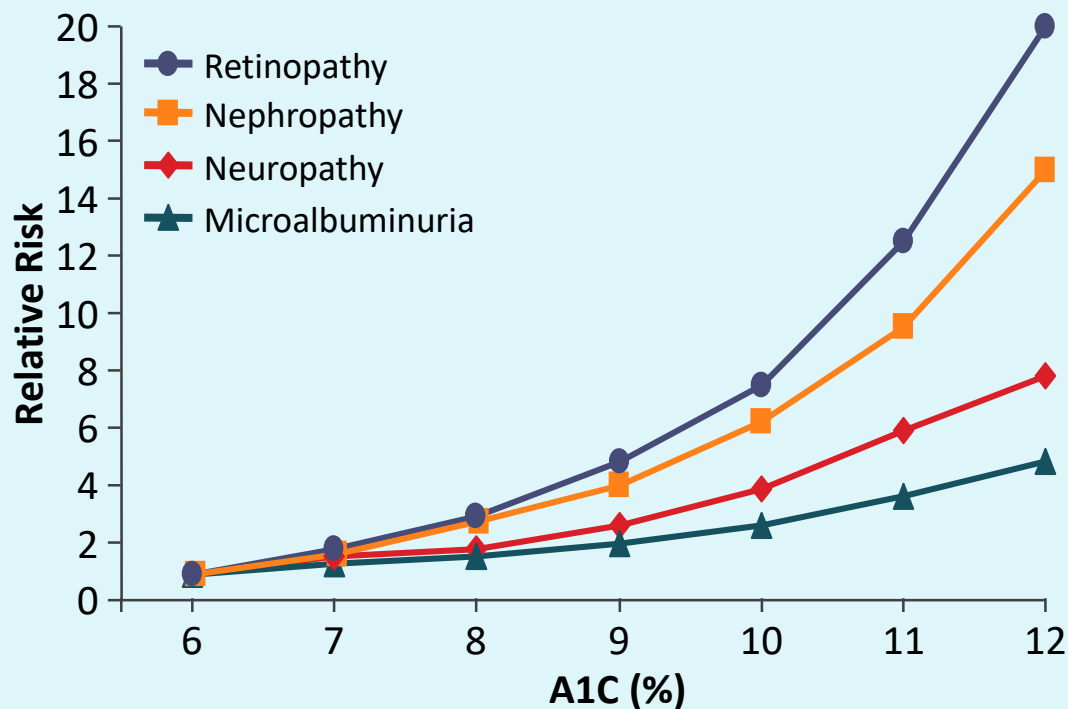
# Where we disagree?

- Deintensification of pharmacological therapy in patients with A1c less than 6.5%
- **Levels of A1c between 7%-8% for most patients with type 2 diabetes**
  - ACP analyzed the same international studies that we used for patients with DM
    - » **UKPDS-1998**
    - » **ADVANCE-2008**
    - » **ACCORD-2008/2011**
    - » **VADT-2009/2015**
  - “Trials did not show substantial reductions in clinical microvascular events”
  - “Studies have not consistently shown that intensive glycemic control to A1c < 7% reduces microvascular events or reduces macrovascular events or death”

**What do we know?**

# Microvascular Complications Increase With Increasing A1C

Diabetes Control and Complications Trial  
(N=1441)

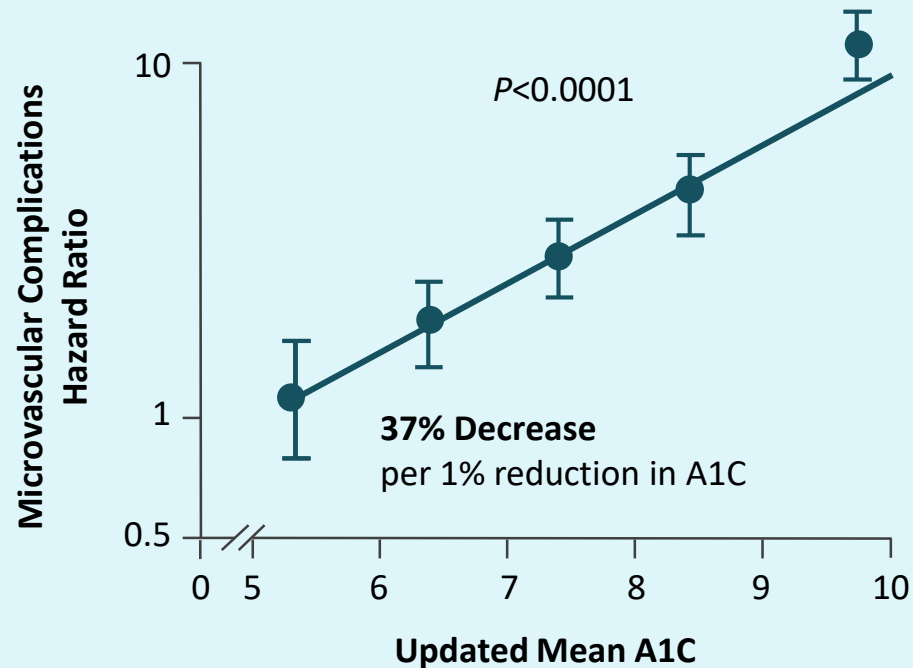


- Long term randomized prospective study with type 1 diabetic patients reported that lowering of blood glucose levels with intensive insulin therapy delayed the onset and slowed progression of microvascular complications.
- **EDIC**-follow up observational study documented that even though the difference between A1C were lost, the intensive therapy group had reduced risk of microvascular complications



# Reducing A1C Reduces Microvascular Risk

## United Kingdom Prospective Diabetes Study (N=4209)



- Randomized, multicentric trial with patients with newly diagnosed type 2 diabetes documented that Intensive glucose lowering therapy reduced the risk for microvascular complications.

- In the 10 year F/U of intensive glucose control group the reduced risk for microvascular complications continued to be observed despite an early loss of glycemic differences, **“legacy effect”**



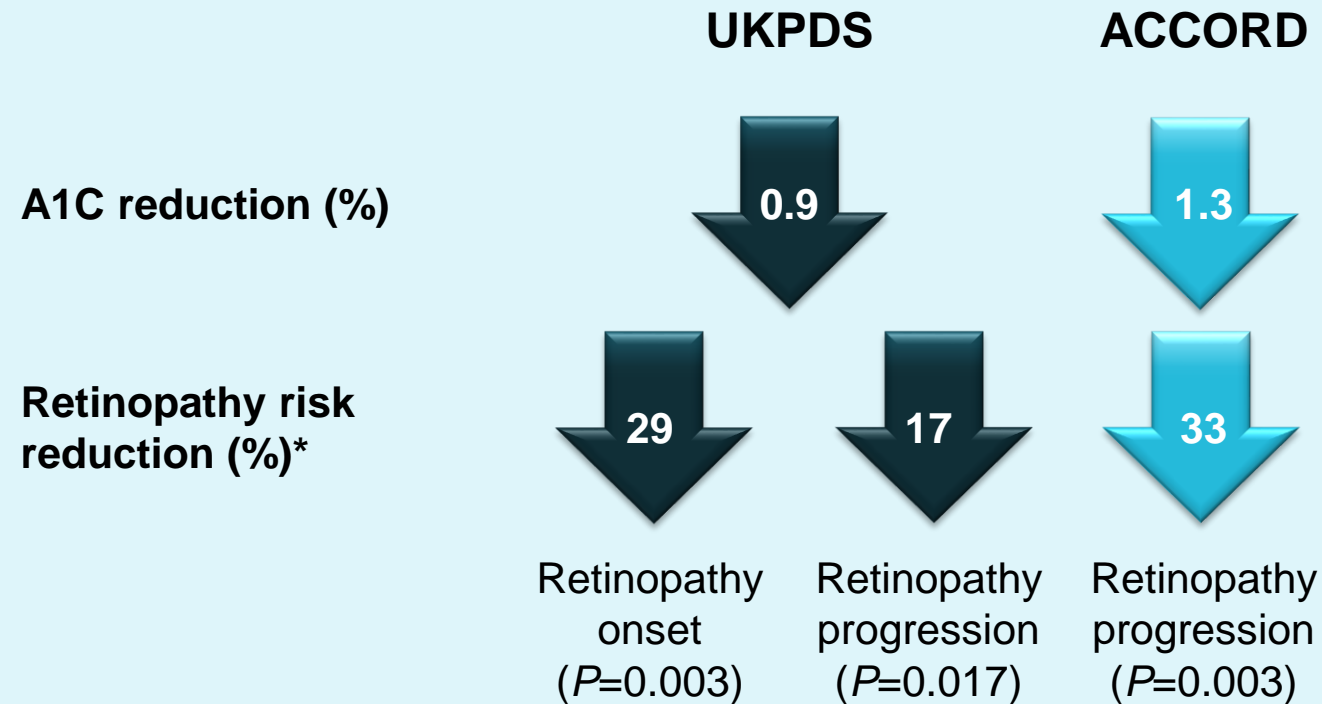
# Characteristics of Major Type 2 Diabetes Trials

Study	Age at baseline(y)	Diabetes Duration (y)	A1c (%)		Anti diabetic Medications
			baseline	Achieved	
UKPDS-1998 N=4209	54	Newly diagnosed	9.1	7.0 vs 7.9	Sulfonylureas/ Insulin
					Metformin
ACCORD-2008 N=10,251	62.2	10	8.1	6.4 vs 7.6	Insulin, metformin, TZD's, sulfonylureas
ADVANCE-2008 N=11,140	66	7.9	7.2	6.4 vs 7.0	Sulfonylureas, metformin, TZD's, acarbose, insulin
VADT-2009 N=1791	60.4	11.5	9.4	6.9 vs 8.4	Metformin, TZD's, sulfonylureas, Insulin

\*Patient populations differed between studies: Duration of disease, comorbidities

\*\*Medications used includes Insulin and sulfonylureas which are associated with hypoglycemia and weight gain

# Reducing A1C Reduces Retinopathy Progression in T2D



\*Intensive vs standard glucose control.

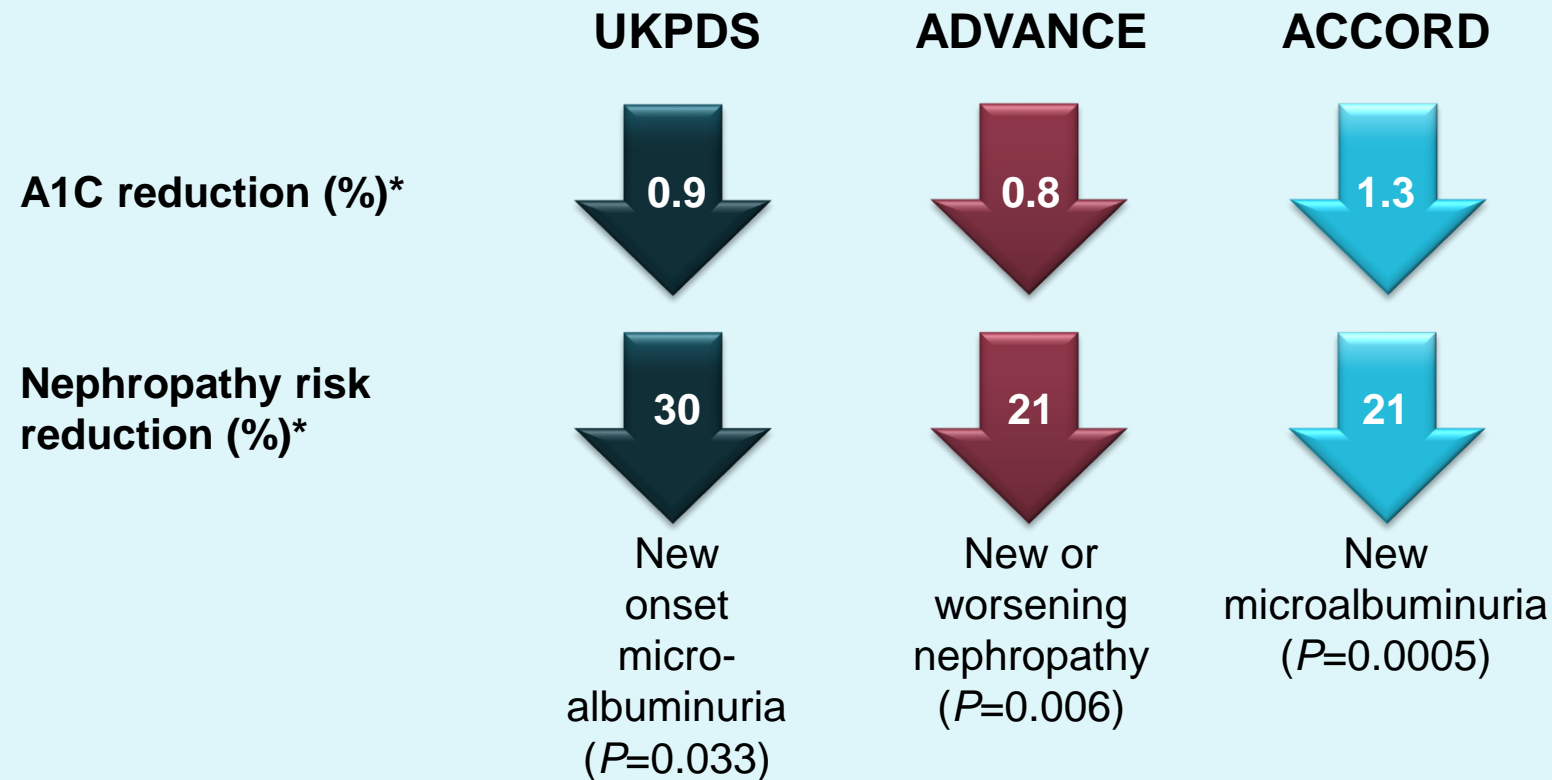
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# Reducing A1C Reduces Nephropathy Risk in T2D



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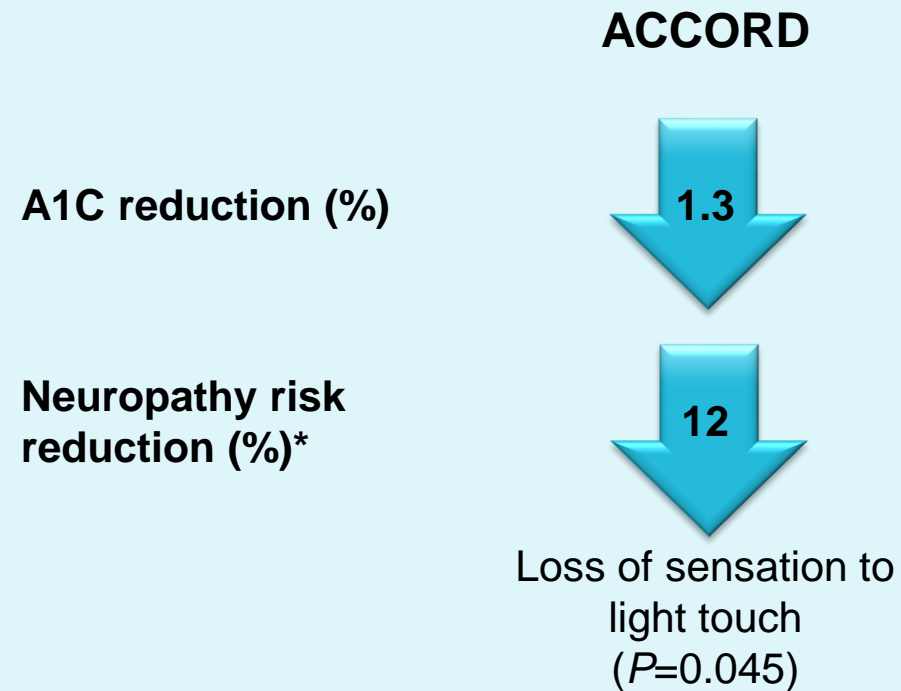
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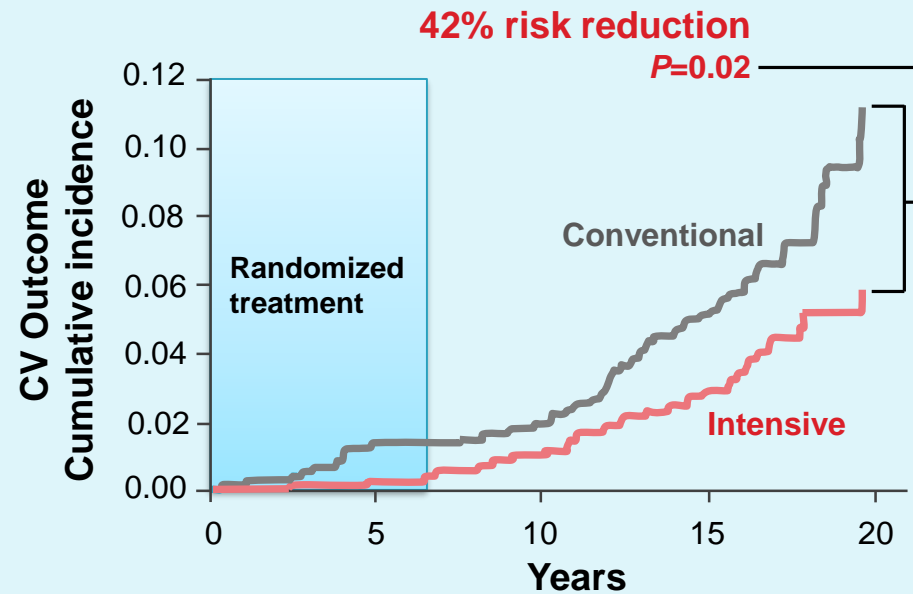
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# Intensive Glycemic Control Reduces Long-term Macrovascular Risk

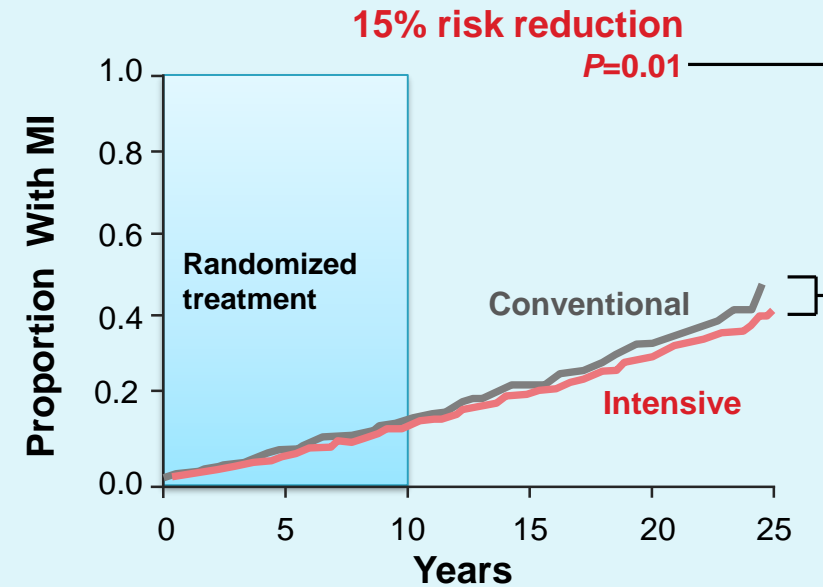
**DCCT**  
T1D, 5-6 years duration

**EDIC**



**UKPDS**  
T2D, newly diagnosed

**UKPDS 10-year F/U**



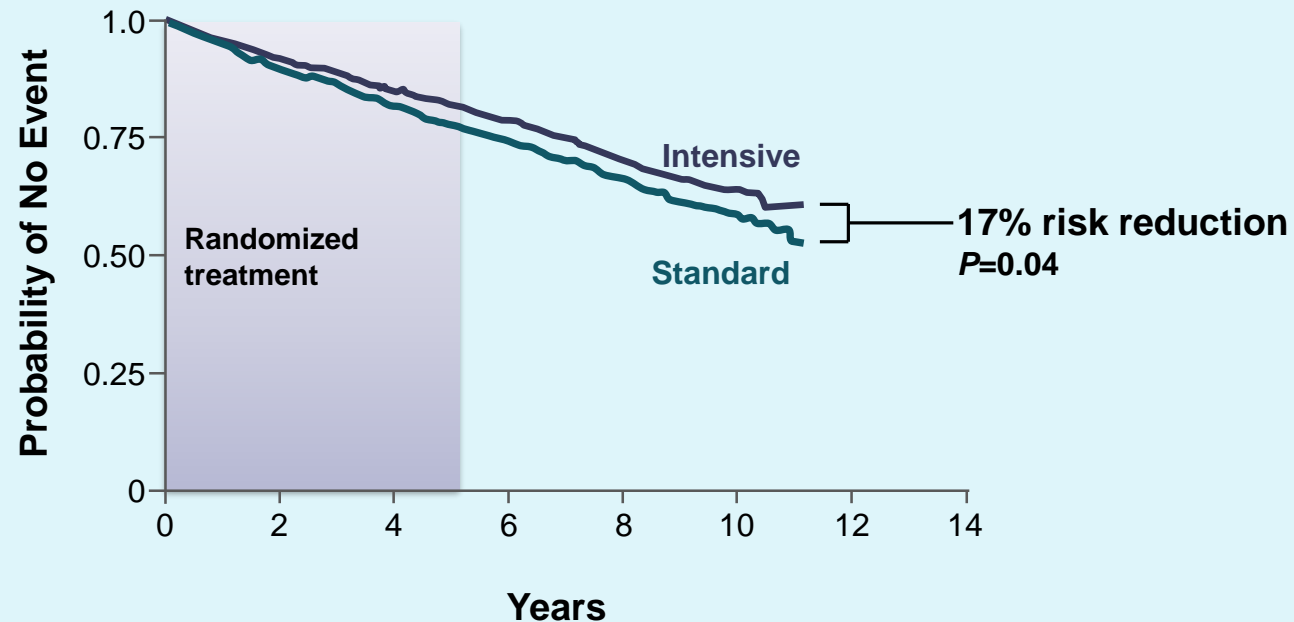
CV, cardiovascular; DCCT, Diabetes Control and Complications Trial; MI, myocardial infarction;  
T1D, type 1 diabetes; T2D, type 2 diabetes; UKPDS, United Kingdom Prospective Diabetes Study.

Nathan DM, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2005;353:2643-2653. Holman RR, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2008;359:1577-1589.



# Long-Term Effect of Intensive Glycemic Control on Macrovascular Risk

## VADT Follow-up Study



VADT, Veterans Affairs Diabetes Trial.

Hayward RA, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2015;372:2197-2206.



## Early major trials evaluating the effects of intensive glycemic control of diabetes

Study	Diabetes type	CV composite		MI		CV mortality		All-cause mortality	
DCCT/EDIC (17,26,27)	Type 1	↔	↓	—	—	—	—	↔	↓
UKPDS	Type 2								
Main randomization (SU or insulin vs. conventional therapy) (18,28)		—	—	↔	↓	—	—	↔	↓
Additional randomization of overweight patients (metformin vs. SU vs. conventional therapy) (19,28)		—	—	↓*	↓*	—	—	↓*	↓*
ACCORD (20,30)	Type 2	↔	↔	↓	↔	↑	↑	↑	↔
ADVANCE (21)	Type 2	↔†		↔		↔		↔	
VADT (22,29)	Type 2	↔	↓	↔	↔	↔	↔	↔	↔

Left columns show initial results; right columns show long-term follow-up. ↔, Neutral effect; ↓, decrease; ↑, increase; —, not assessed/reported; ADVANCE, Action in Diabetes and Vascular Disease: Preterax and Diamicron MR Controlled Evaluation; SU, sulfonylurea. Adapted from Bergenstal et al. (97).

↔\*Metformin group only.

↔†A decrease was reported in a combined CV/microvascular composite but was found to be mostly attributable to nephropathy.

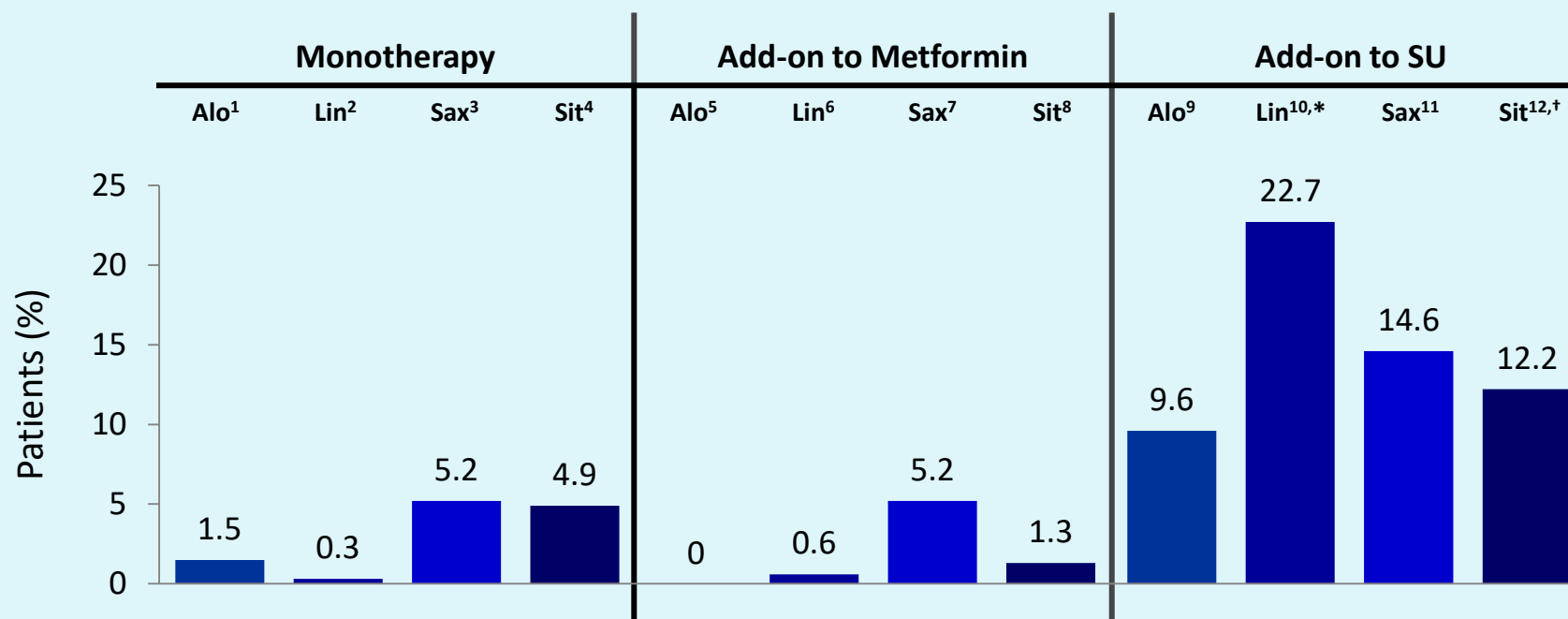
# What is missing in the ACP guidelines?

- ACP have not consider the medications with low profile of hypoglycemia (DDP4i's, GLP1 agonists and SGLT-2i's) and with evidence to improve morbidity and mortality in patient with type 2 Diabetes (GLP1 agonists and SGLT-2i's)
- Was forgotten the concept of “**Legacy effect**”; positive effect of intensive blood glucose control and lower A1c target on diabetic patients newly diagnosed and its long term benefit.



# Hypoglycemia with DPP4 Inhibitors

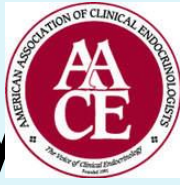
## Percentage of Patients Reporting Hypoglycemia (Not Head-to-Head Trials)



NR, value not reported.

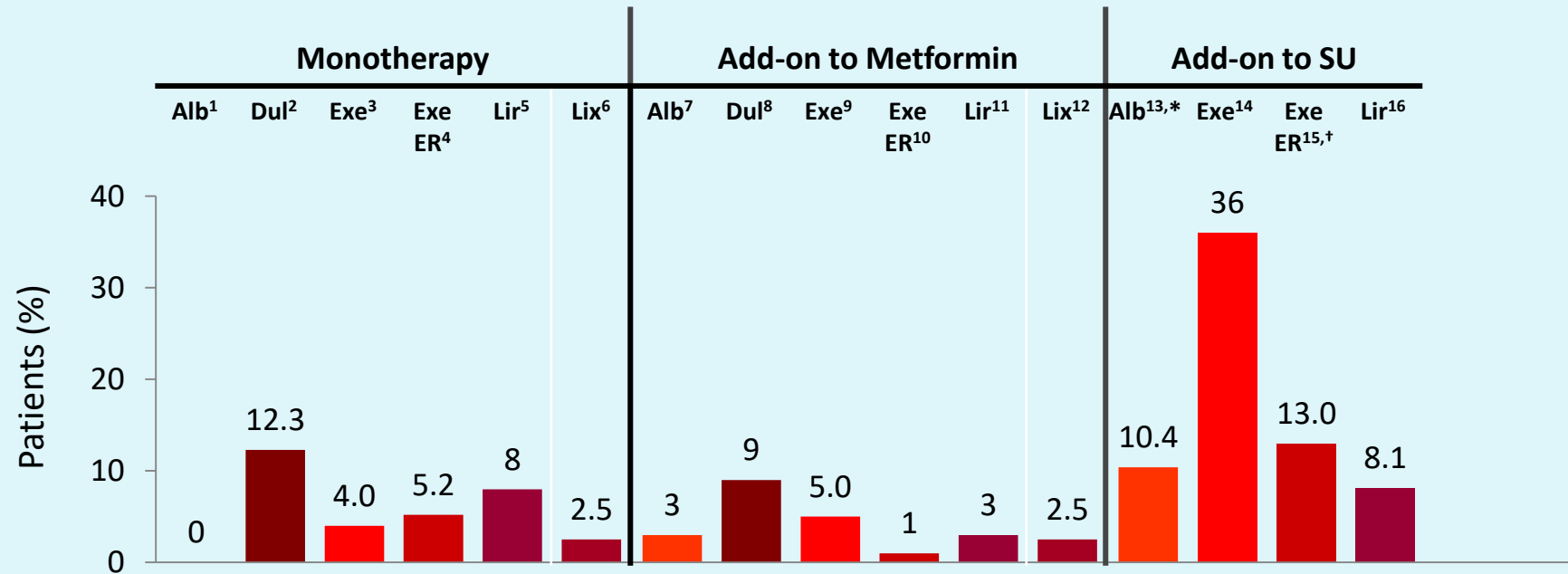
\*SU + metformin. †With or without metformin.

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# Hypoglycemia with GLP1 Receptor Agonists

## Percentage of Patients Reporting Hypoglycemia (Not Head-to-Head Trials)



\*Metformin with or without SU or TZD. †Metformin with or without SU.

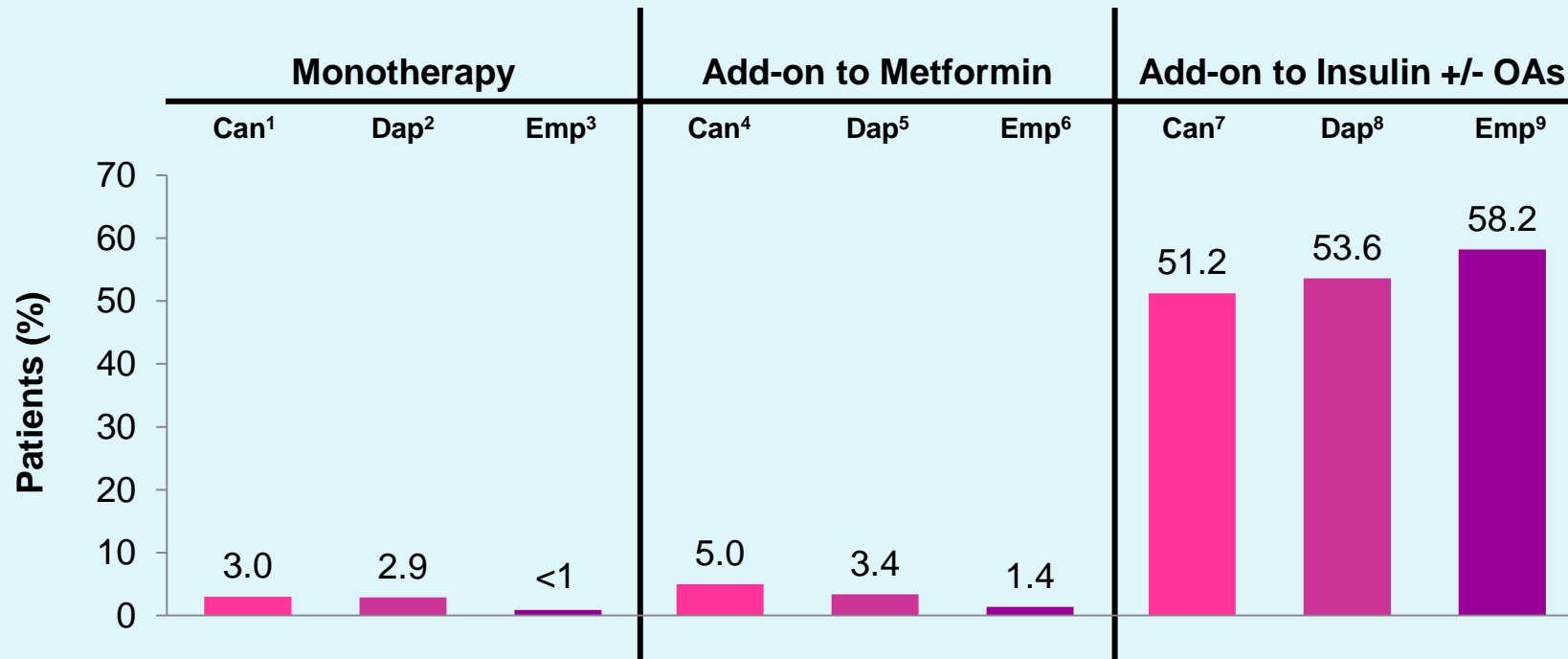
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# Hypoglycemia with SGLT2 Inhibitors

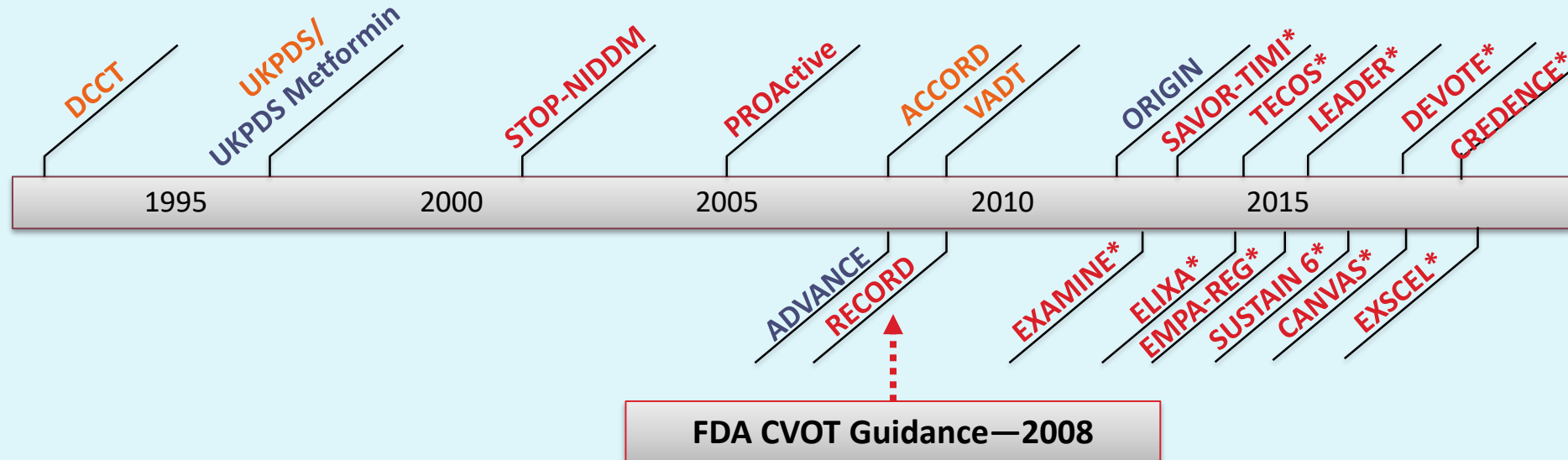
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# Timeline of Major Diabetes Outcomes Trials



**Blue** = Intensive vs standard control using same set of glucose-lowering agent(s)

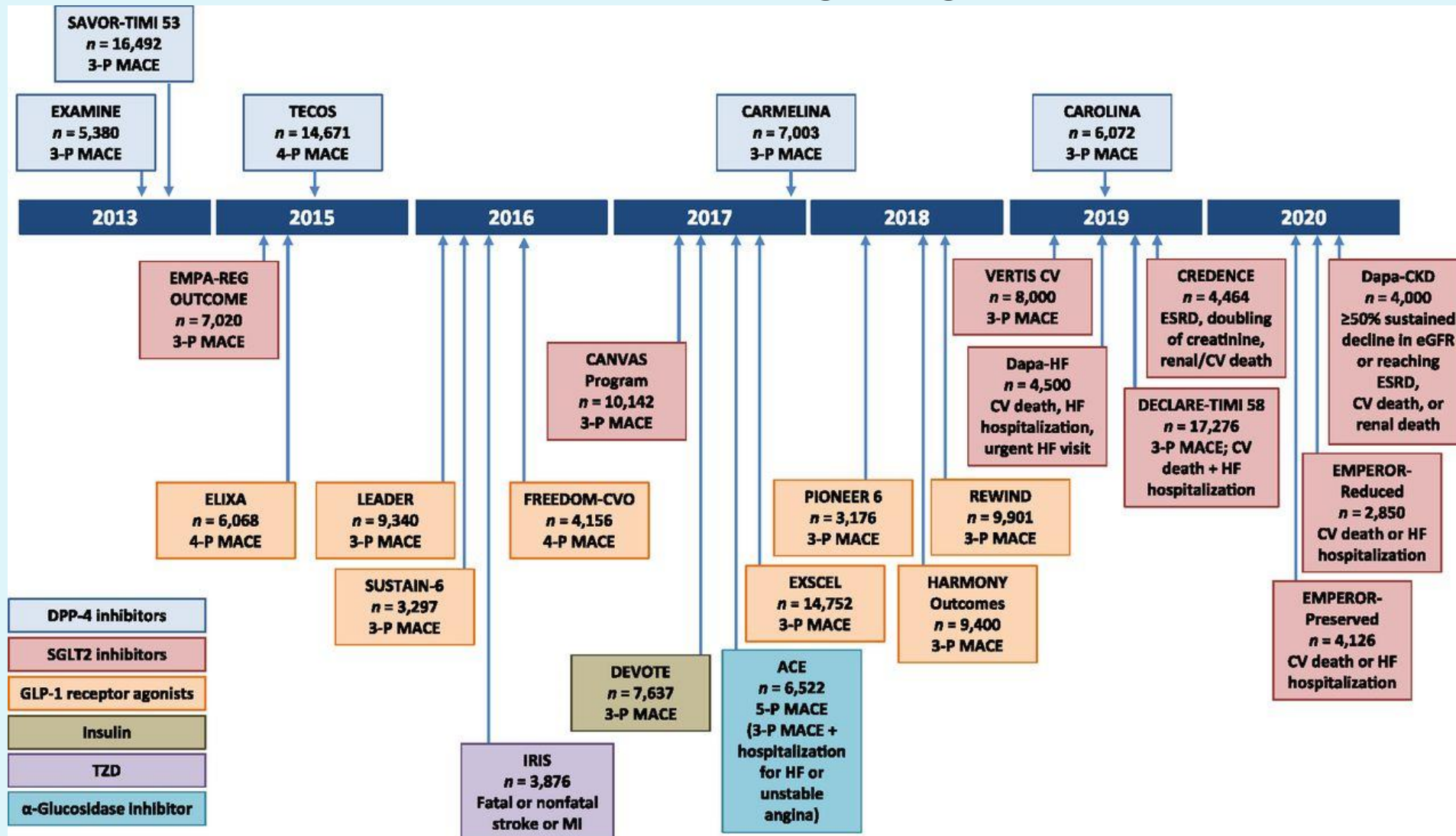
**Purple** = Intensive control with a specific agent vs standard care

**Red** = Placebo- or active-controlled study

**\*** = FDA-mandated cardiovascular safety trial

ACCORD, Action to Control Cardiovascular Risk in Diabetes; ADVANCE, Action in Diabetes and Vascular Disease: Preterax and Diamicron MR Controlled Evaluation; CANVAS, Canagliflozin Cardiovascular Assessment Study; DCCT, Diabetes Control and Complications Trial; DEVOTE, Trial Comparing Cardiovascular Safety of Insulin Degludec versus Insulin Glargine in Patients with Type 2 Diabetes at High Risk of Cardiovascular Events; EXAMINE, Examination of Cardiovascular Outcomes with Alogliptin versus Standard of Care; ELIXA, Evaluation of Lixisenatide in Acute Coronary Syndrome; EMPA-REG, EMPA-REG OUTCOME trial; Exenatide Study of Cardiovascular Event Lowering; LEADER, Liraglutide Effect and Action in Diabetes: Evaluation of Cardiovascular Outcome Results; ORIGIN, Outcome Reduction with an Initial Glargine Intervention; PROActive, Prospective Pioglitazone Clinical Trial in Macrovascular Events; RECORD, Rosiglitazone Evaluated for Cardiovascular Outcomes in Oral Agent Combination Therapy for Type 2 Diabetes; SAVOR-TIMI, Saxagliptin Assessment of Vascular Outcomes Recorded in Patients with Diabetes Mellitus–Thrombolysis in Myocardial Infarction; STOP-NIDDM, Study to Prevent Non-Insulin-Dependent Diabetes Mellitus; SUSTAIN, Trial to Evaluate Cardiovascular and Other Long-Term Outcomes with Semaglutide in Subjects with Type 2 Diabetes; TECOS, Trial Evaluating Cardiovascular Outcomes with Sitagliptin; UKPDS, United Kingdom Prospective Diabetes Study; VADT, Veterans Affairs Diabetes Trial.

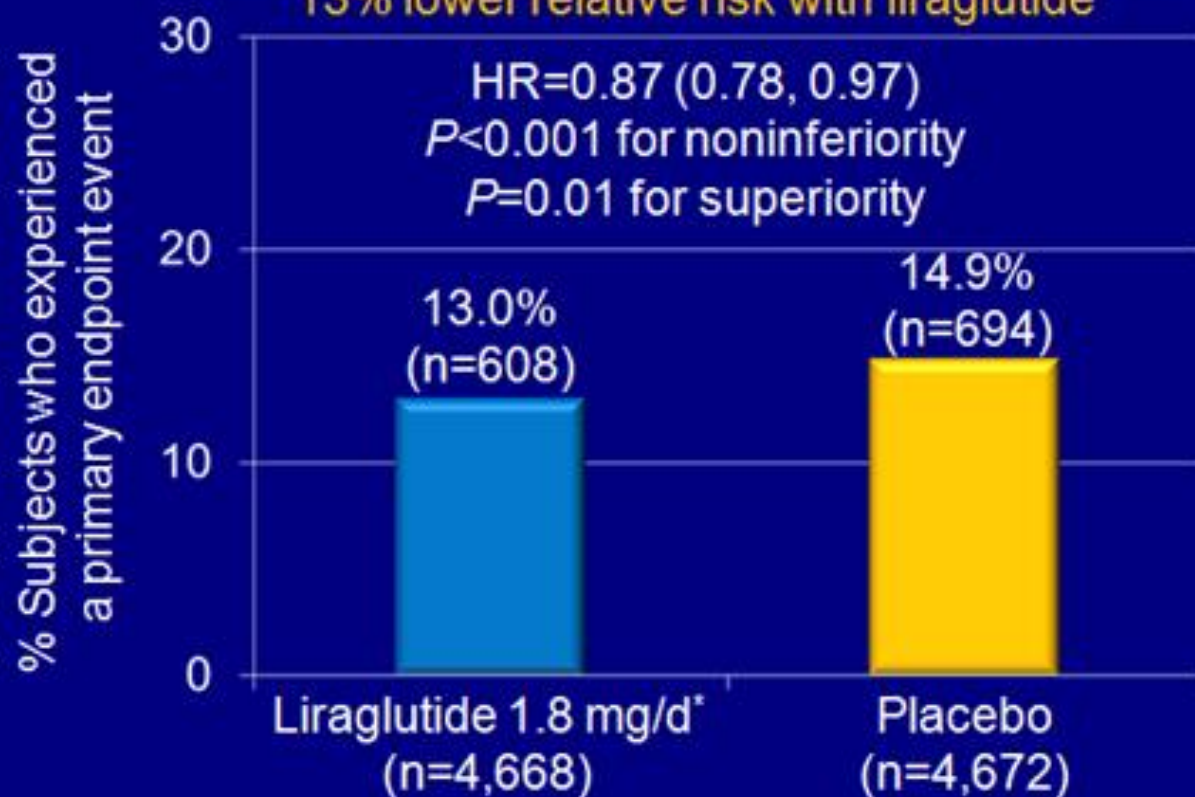
# Completed and ongoing CVOTs



William T. Cefalu et al. Dia Care 2018;41:14-31

## LEADER: Fewer CV Events With Liraglutide Vs Placebo in High-Risk Patients

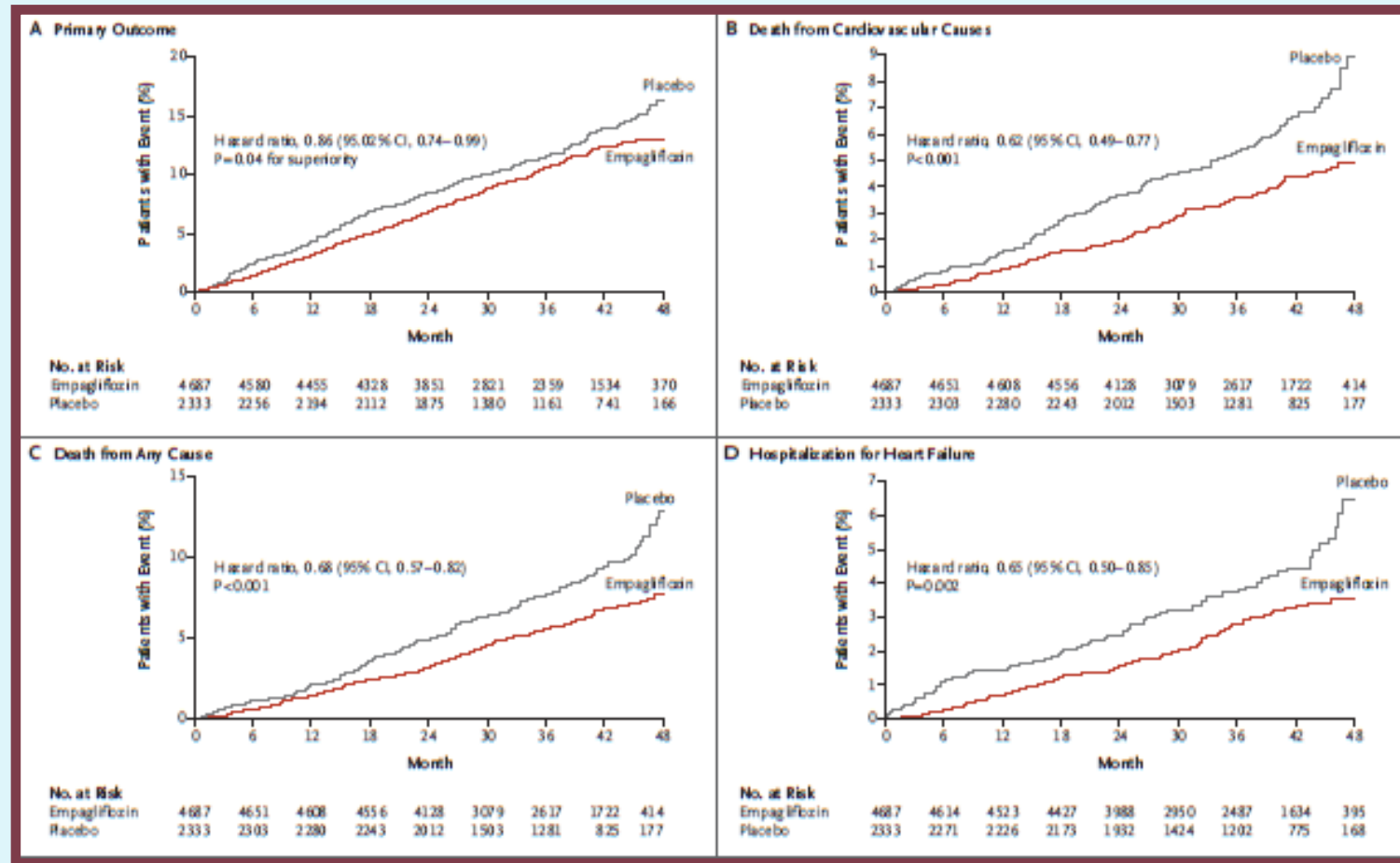
Primary composite endpoint: first occurrence of CV death, nonfatal (including silent) MI, or nonfatal stroke  
13% lower relative risk with liraglutide



\*Or max tolerated dose  
MI=myocardial infarction

# Clinical Outcomes with Empagliflozin

## EMPA-REG OUTCOME Pooled Analysis (N=7020)



\*CV death, nonfatal MI (excluding silent MI), or nonfatal stroke; <sup>†</sup>CV death, nonfatal MI (excluding silent MI), nonfatal stroke, and hospitalization for unstable angina.

CI, confidence interval; CV, cardiovascular; HF, heart failure; HR, hazard ratio; MI, myocardial infarction.

Zinman B, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2015;373:2117-2128.

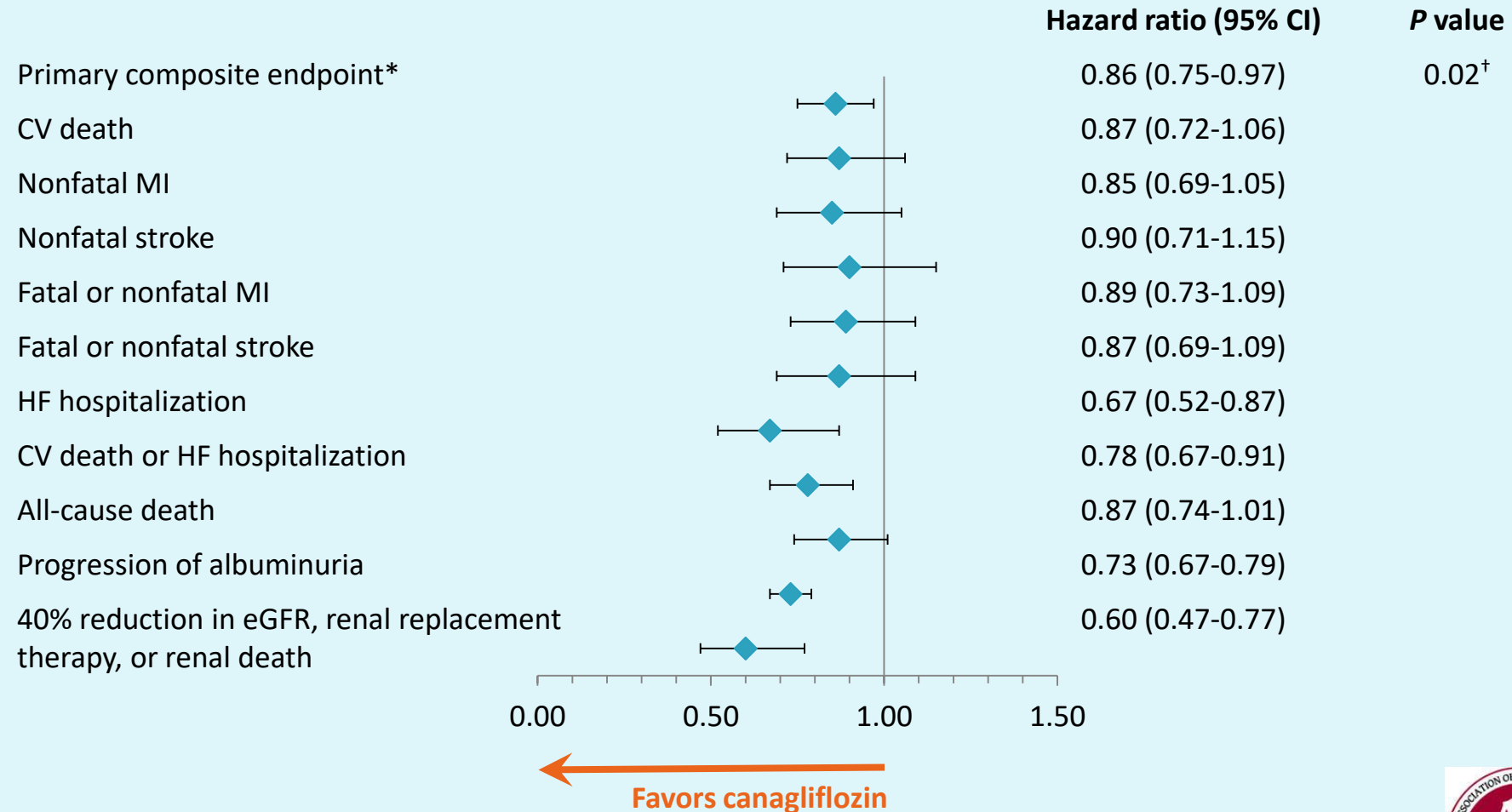




# Clinical Outcomes with Canagliflozin

CANVAS Program (N=10,142)

Median follow-up: 2.4 years



\*CV death, nonfatal MI, or nonfatal stroke. <sup>†</sup>Superiority.

CI, confidence interval; CV, cardiovascular; HF, heart failure; HR, hazard ratio; MI, myocardial infarction.

Neal B, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2017 Jun 12 [epub ahead of print].



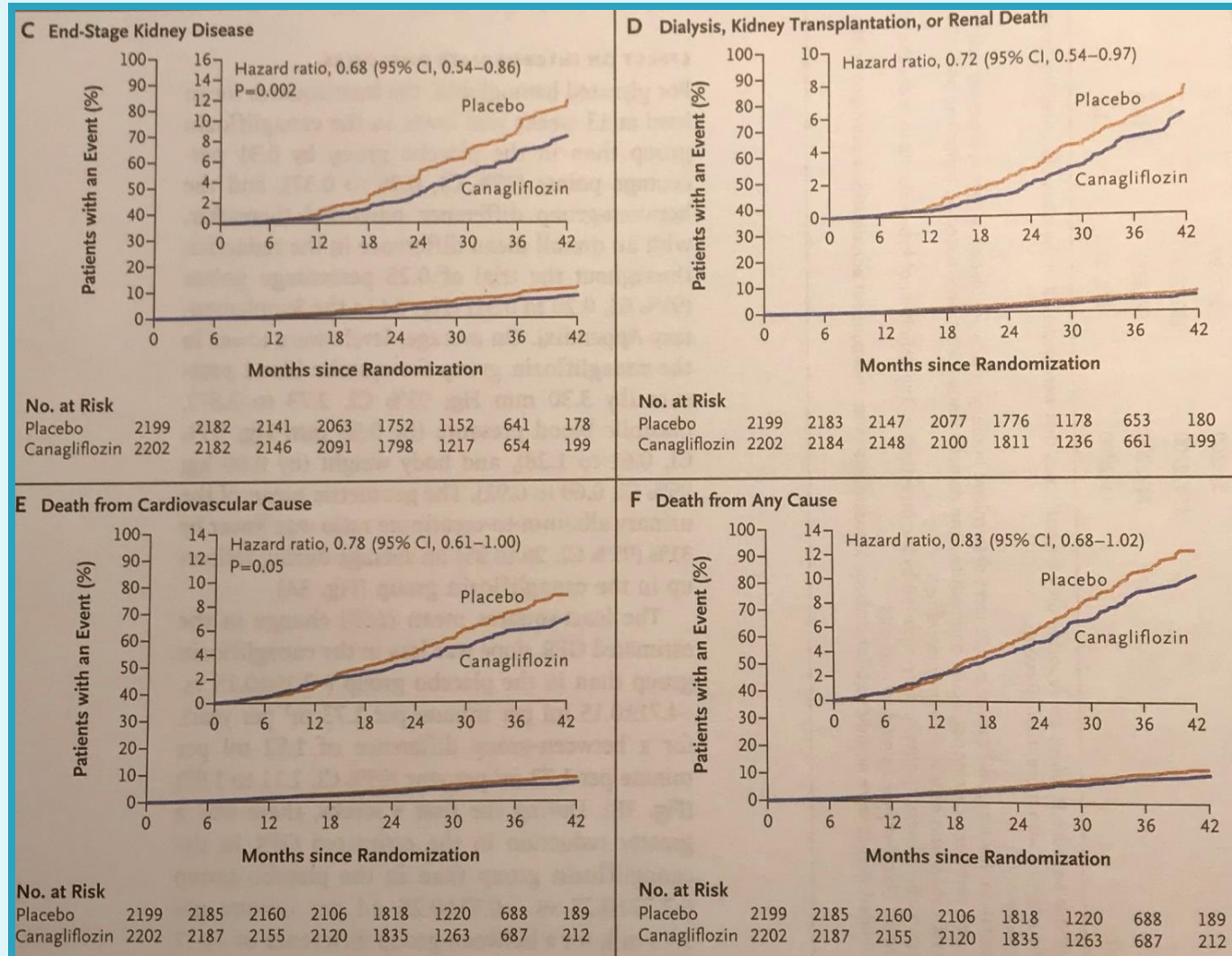
# Canagliflozin and Renal Events in Diabetes with Establish Nephropathy Clinical Evaluation

- CREDENCE-April 14, 2019 N=4401
  - Randomized, double-blinded study with diabetic patients with renal manifestations and GFR between 30 to 90 ml/min already receiving ARB's.
  - They received canagliflozin 100mg vs placebo and were F/U for 2.62 years
  - Primary outcome: ESRD, doubling of creatinine level or death from renal or CV causes.
  - RR for primary outcome was 30% lower with canagliflozin (P=0.00001), lower risk for CV death, MI or stroke (P=0.01) in patients receiving canagliflozin 100mg



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**CREDENCE (N=4401)**



# Conclusions

- The recommendation of increase 1% of A1c
  - has the potential to do harm in newly diagnosed patients
  - may prevent patients to benefits of long term glucose control
- We agree to individualized patients treatment to improve their lives and reduce risk of complications

