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Simposio Aziendale a cura di Takeda

La gestione del diabete nei soggetti ad  
alto rischio cardiovascolare:  
oltre la metformina

I Trial di outcome  
cardiovascolare nel diabete:  
focus sul paziente con  
sindrome coronarica acuta

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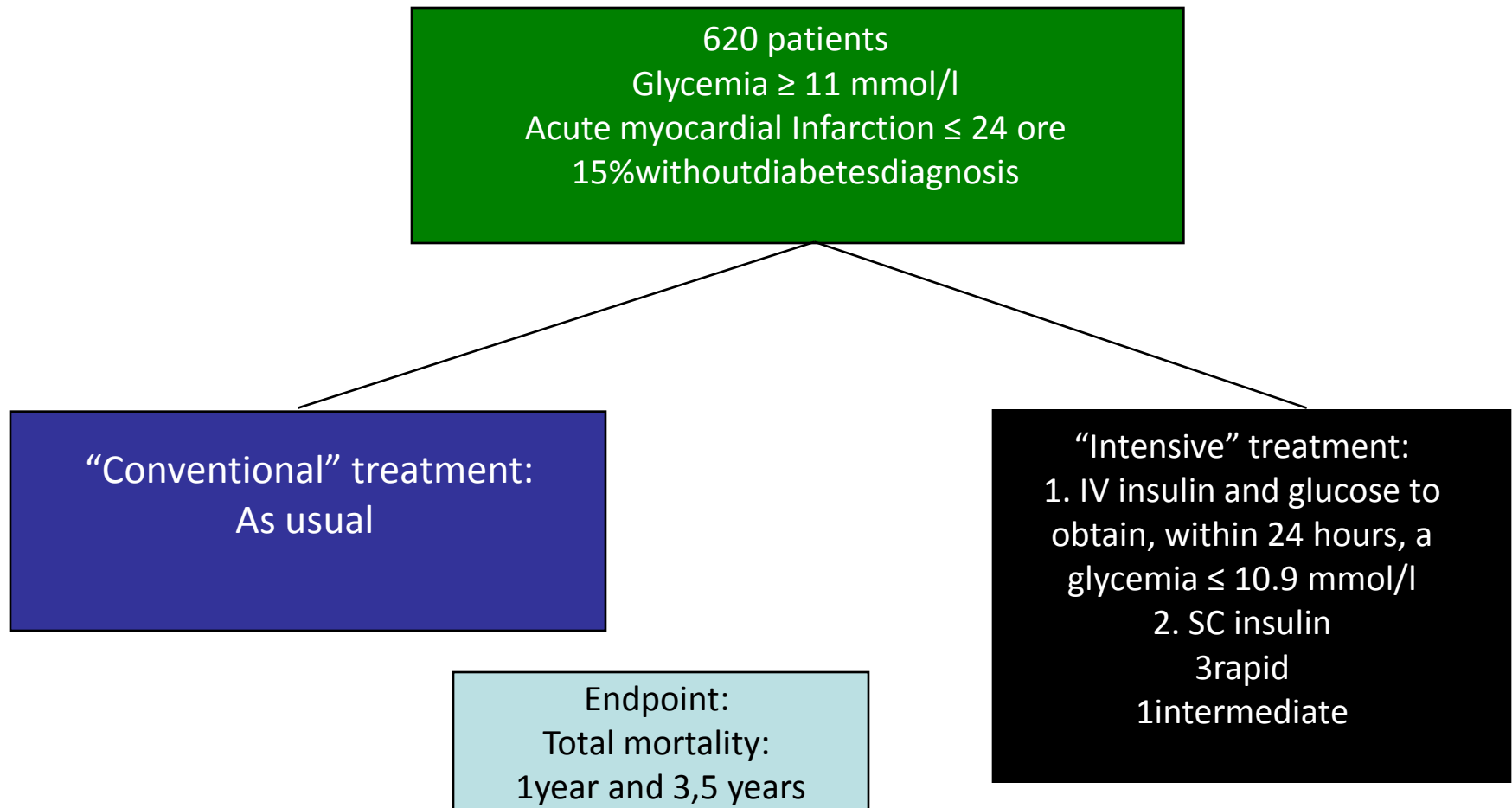


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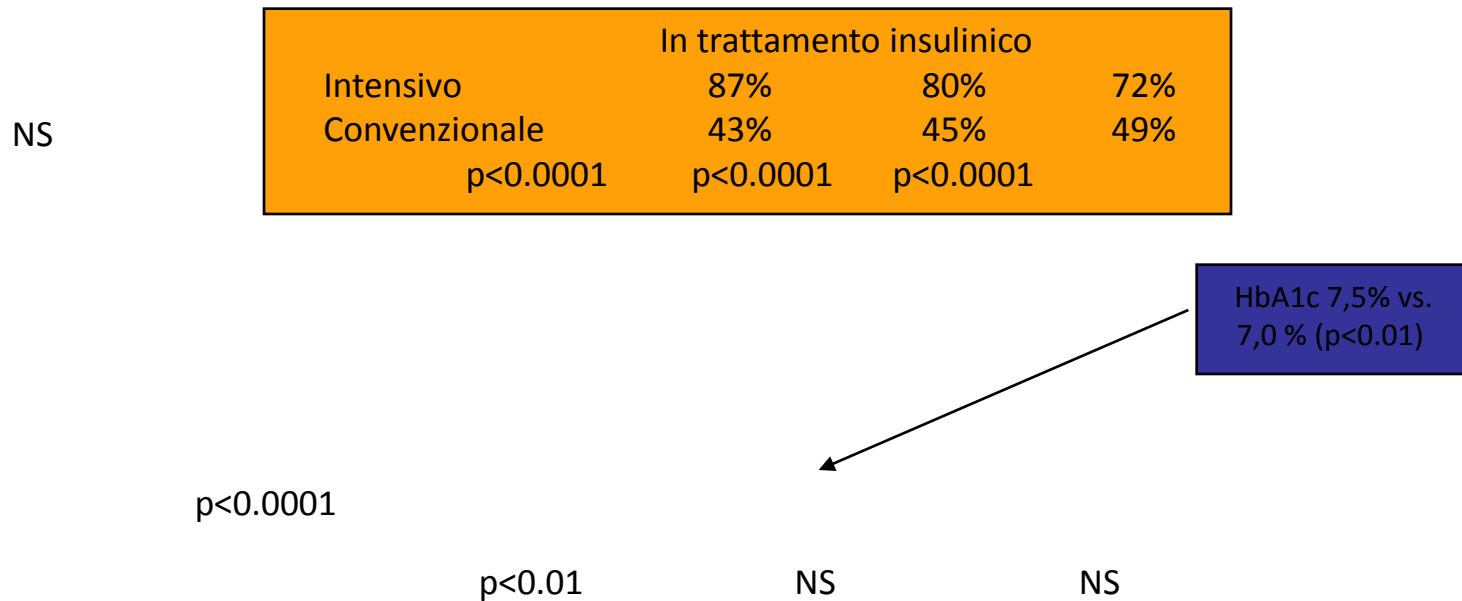
- Stefano Genovese, in the last three years, has received speaking and/or consulting fees from:
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  - Takeda
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Insulin

# Prospective randomised study of intensive insulin treatment on long term survival after acute myocardial infarction in patients with diabetes mellitus



# Randomized trial of Insulin-Glucose infusion followed by subcutaneous insulin treatment in diabetic patients with acute myocardial infarction (DIGAMI study): effects on mortality at 1 year



# Prospective randomised study of intensive insulin treatment on long term survival after acute myocardial infarction in patients with diabetes mellitus.

- Mortalità totale nello studio DIGAMI ad 1 anno e dopo un follow up medio di 3 anni e mezzo p=0.01
- La riduzione assoluta del rischio è del 7% dopo 1 anno e dell'11% dopo 3 anni e 1/2 p=0.03
- Il NumberNeededtoTreat è 9

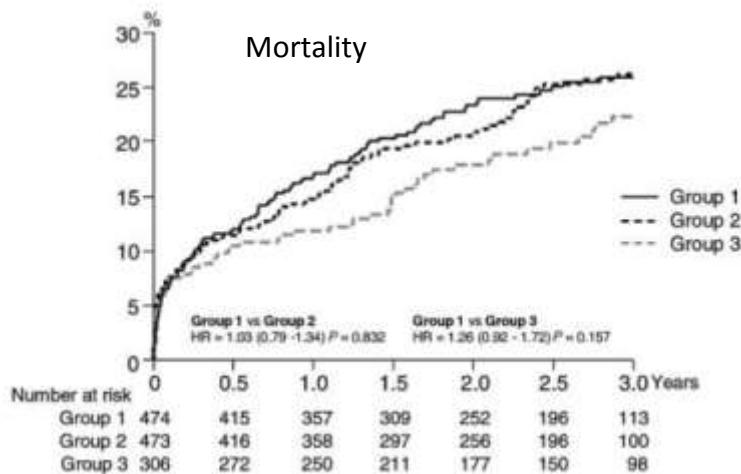
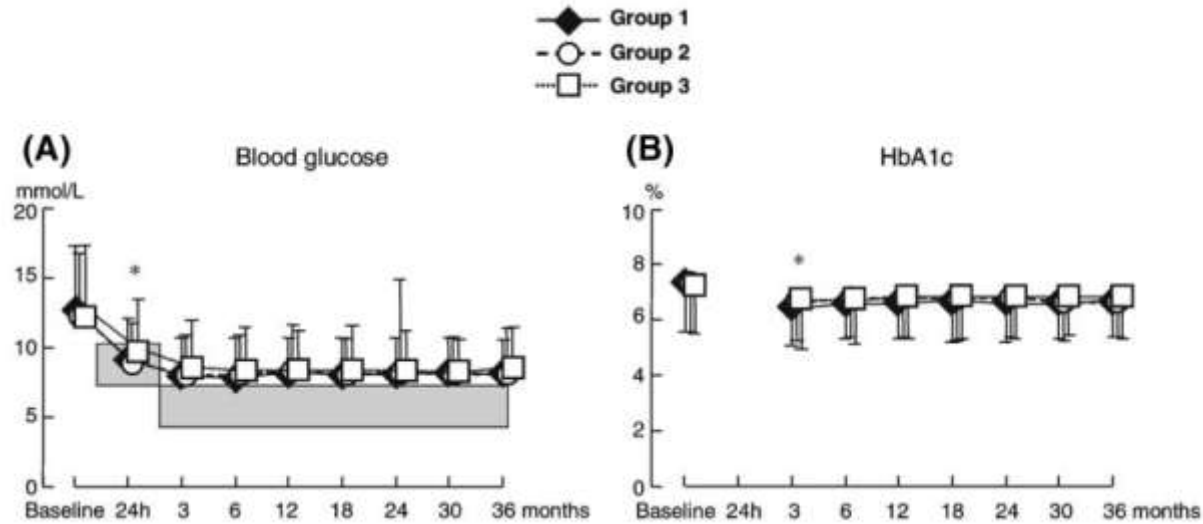
Prospective randomised study of intensive insulin treatment on long term survival after acute myocardial infarction in patients with diabetes mellitus. Malberg K for the DIGAMI (Diabetes Mellitus, Insulin Glucose Infusion in Acute Myocardial Infarction) Study Group

- Scomposizione del dato della mortalità in 4 gruppi:

- **1. Non trattamento insulinico pregresso, basso rischio cardiovascolare (44% della popolazione)**
- 2. Non trattamento insulinico pregresso, alto rischio cardiovascolare (21% della popolazione)
- 3. Trattamento insulinico pregresso, basso rischio cardiovascolare (19% della popolazione)
- 4. Trattamento insulinico pregresso, alto rischio cardiovascolare (16% della popolazione)

p=0.004

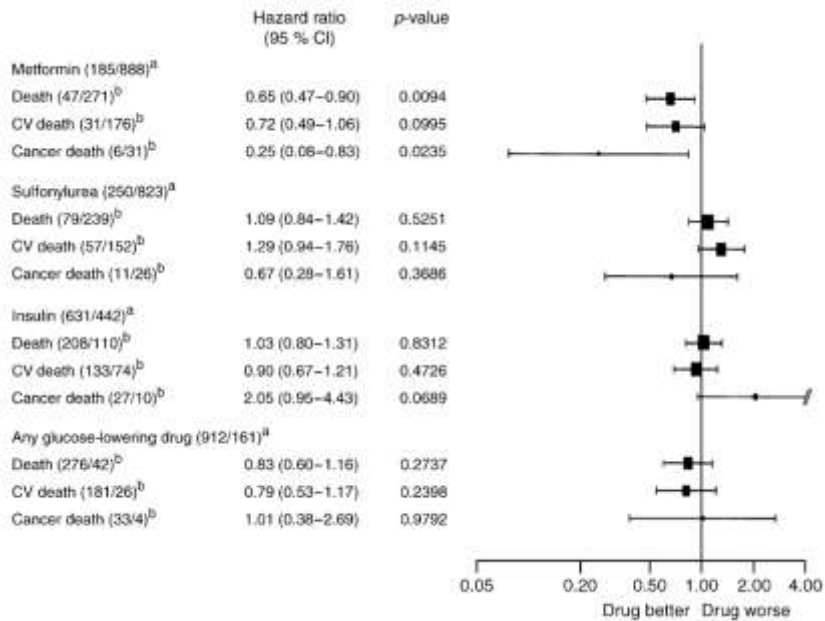
# DIGAMI 2: Intense metabolic control by means of insulin in patients with diabetes mellitus and acute myocardial infarction



**Conclusion:** ... an epidemiological analysis confirms that the glucose level is a strong, independent predictor of long-term mortality in this patient category, underlining that glucose control seems to be an important part of their management.



# DIGAMI 2: post hoc analysis



**Table 4** The effect of insulin treatment from the time of hospital discharge for patients discharged alive ( $n=1073$ )

| Patients on insulin              | OR (95% CI)      | p value |
|----------------------------------|------------------|---------|
| <b>Mortality</b>                 |                  |         |
| Insulin <sup>a</sup>             | 1.30 (0.9–1.81)  | 0.1292  |
| New on insulin <sup>b</sup>      | 1.00 (0.65–1.55) | 0.9921  |
| <b>CV death</b>                  |                  |         |
| Insulin <sup>a</sup>             | 1.15 (0.79–1.67) | 0.4616  |
| New on insulin <sup>b</sup>      | 1.06 (0.65–1.74) | 0.8043  |
| <b>Reinfarction</b>              |                  |         |
| Insulin <sup>a</sup>             | 1.94 (1.34–2.81) | 0.0004  |
| New on insulin <sup>b</sup>      | 2.04 (1.29–3.21) | 0.0021  |
| <b>Reinfarction/stroke</b>       |                  |         |
| Insulin <sup>a</sup>             | 1.89 (1.35–2.63) | 0.0002  |
| New on insulin <sup>b</sup>      | 2.12 (1.40–3.21) | 0.0004  |
| <b>Death/reinfarction/stroke</b> |                  |         |
| Insulin <sup>a</sup>             | 1.78 (1.32–2.38) | 0.0001  |
| New on insulin <sup>b</sup>      | 1.65 (1.14–2.40) | 0.0086  |

**Conclusions/interpretation:** Patients with type 2 diabetes and myocardial infarction have a poor prognosis. Glucose lowering drugs appear to be of prognostic importance. Insulin may be associated with an increased risk of nonfatal cardiac events, while metformin seems to be protective against risk of death.

Pioglitazone

# Secondary prevention of macrovascular events in patients with type 2 diabetes in the PROactive Study: a randomised controlled trial

- 5238 patients with T2DM with high CV risk
- Pioglitazone 15-45 mg vs placebo with mean follow-up of 34,5 months
- Primary endpoint: composite of all-cause mortality, non fatal myocardial infarction (including silent myocardial infarction), stroke, acute coronary syndrome, endovascular or surgical intervention in the coronary or leg arteries, and amputation above the ankle
- Main secondary endpoint: composite of all-cause mortality, non-fatal myocardial infarction, and stroke

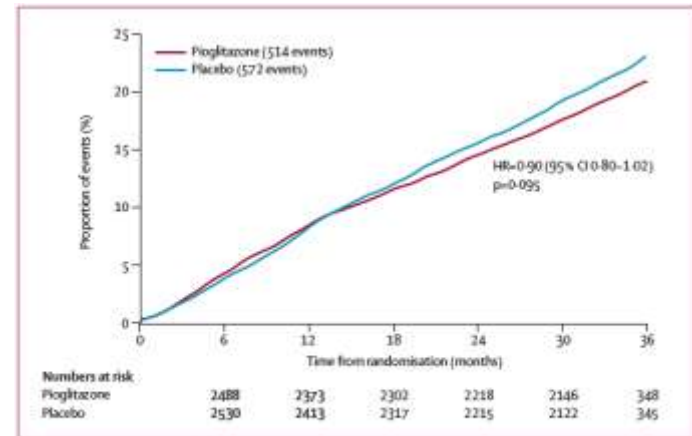


Figure 2: Kaplan-Meier curve of time to primary endpoint\*

\*Death from any cause, non-fatal myocardial infarction (including silent myocardial infarction), stroke, acute coronary syndrome, leg amputation, coronary revascularisation, or revascularisation of the leg.

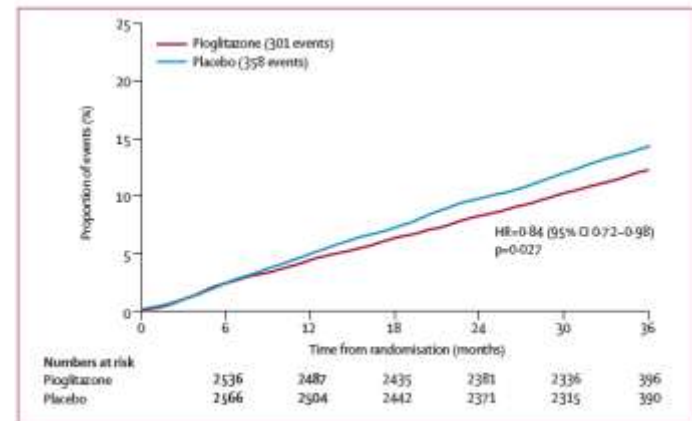
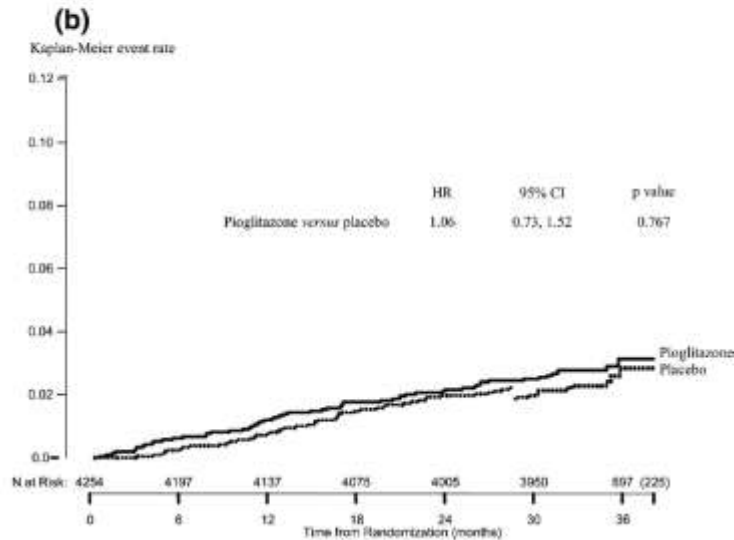
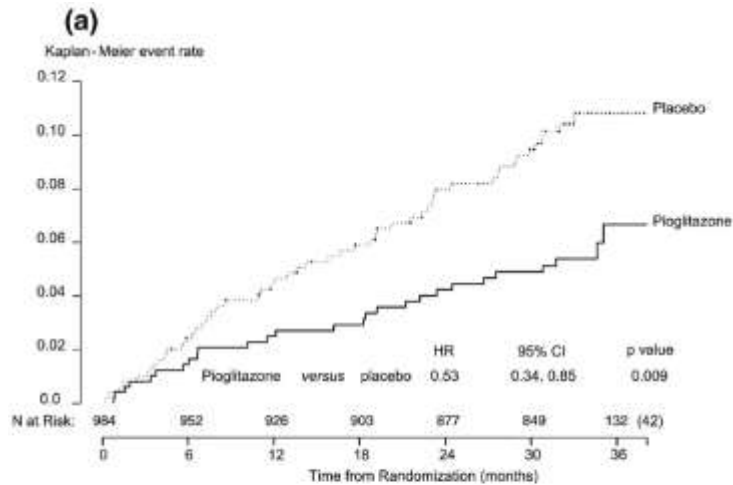


Figure 3: Kaplan-Meier curve of time to main secondary endpoint\*

\*Death from any cause, non-fatal myocardial infarction (excluding silent myocardial infarction), or stroke.

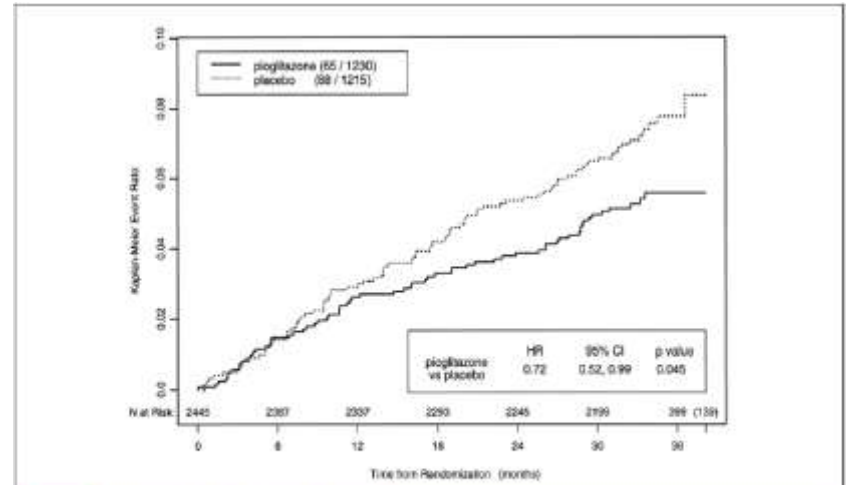
# Effects of Pioglitazone in Patients With Type 2 Diabetes With or Without Previous Stroke

Results From PROactive (PROspective pioglitAZone Clinical Trial In macroVascular Events 04)



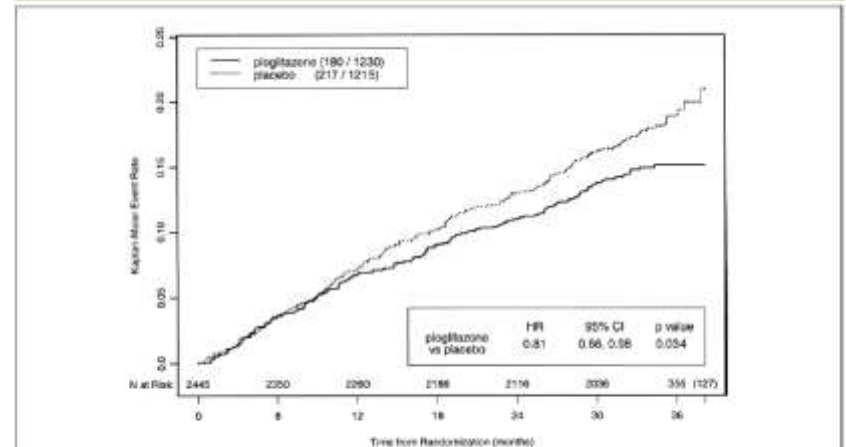
# The Effect of Pioglitazone on Recurrent Myocardial Infarction in 2,445 Patients With Type 2 Diabetes and Previous Myocardial Infarction

Results From the PROactive (PROactive 05) Study



**Figure 1** Time to Fatal/Nonfatal MI (Excluding Silent MI)

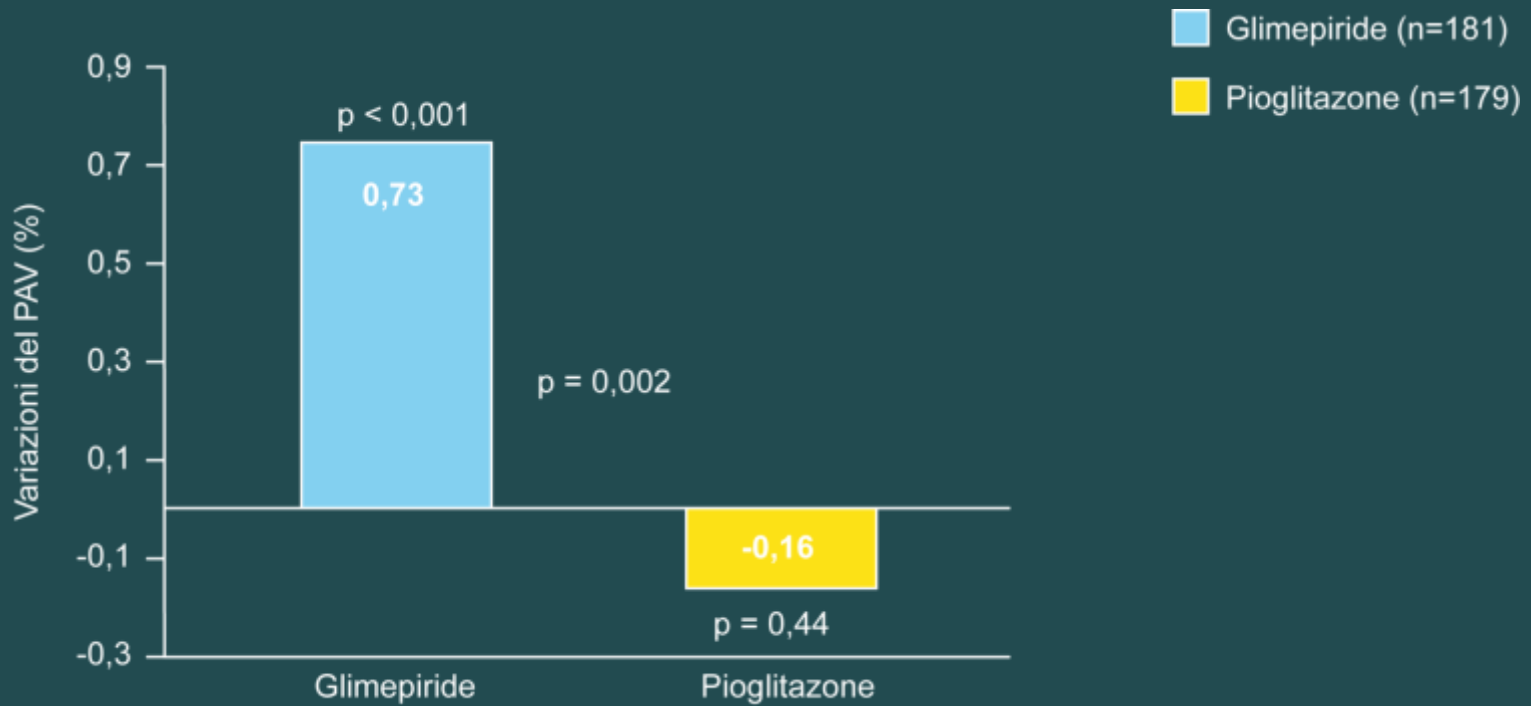
Kaplan-Meier curve of the time to fatal/nonfatal myocardial infarction (MI) (excluding silent MI). The solid line represents the pioglitazone group; the dashed line represents the placebo group. CI = confidence interval; HR = hazard ratio.



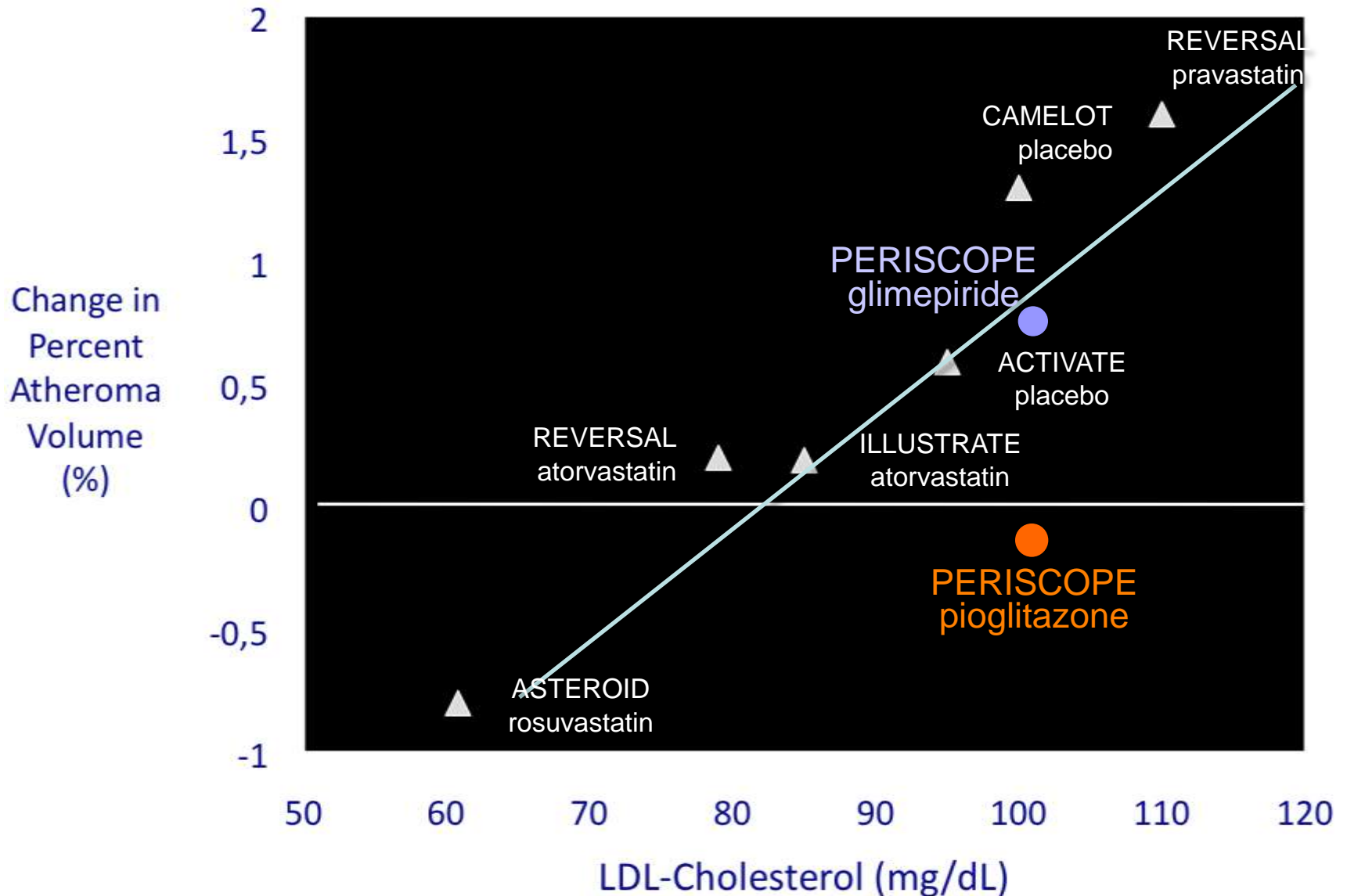
**Figure 2** Time to Nonfatal MI (Excluding Silent MI), Coronary Revascularization, Acute Coronary Syndrome, or Cardiac Death (Composite Cardiac End Point)

Kaplan-Meier curve of the time to nonfatal MI (excluding silent MI), coronary revascularization, acute coronary syndrome, or cardiac death (composite cardiac end point). The solid line represents the pioglitazone group; the dashed line represents the placebo group. Abbreviations as in Figure 1.

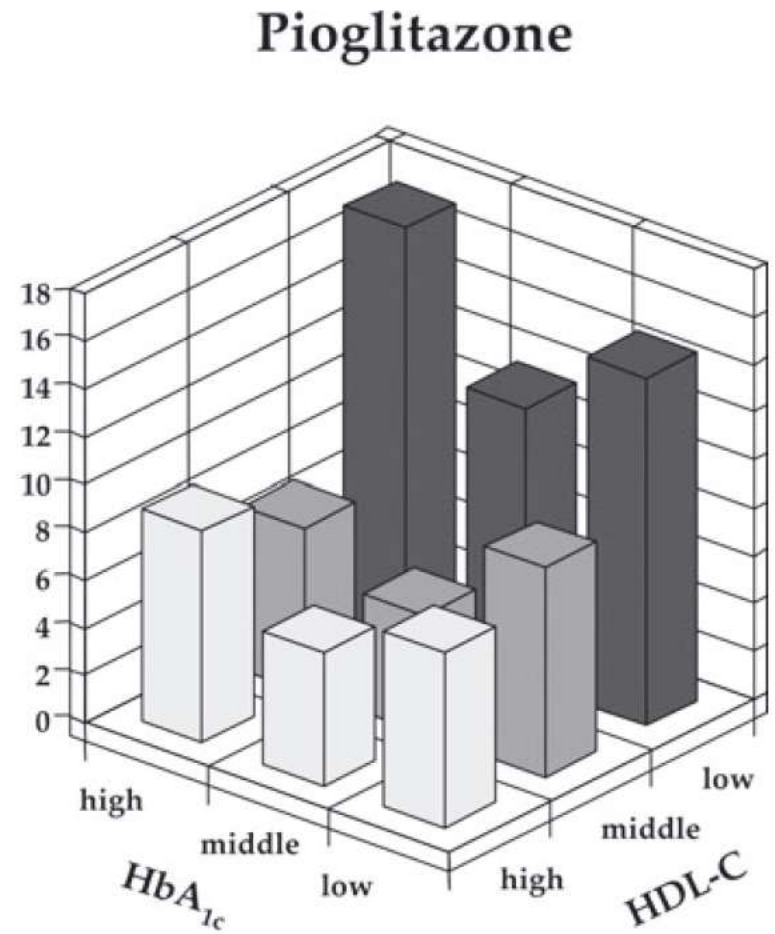
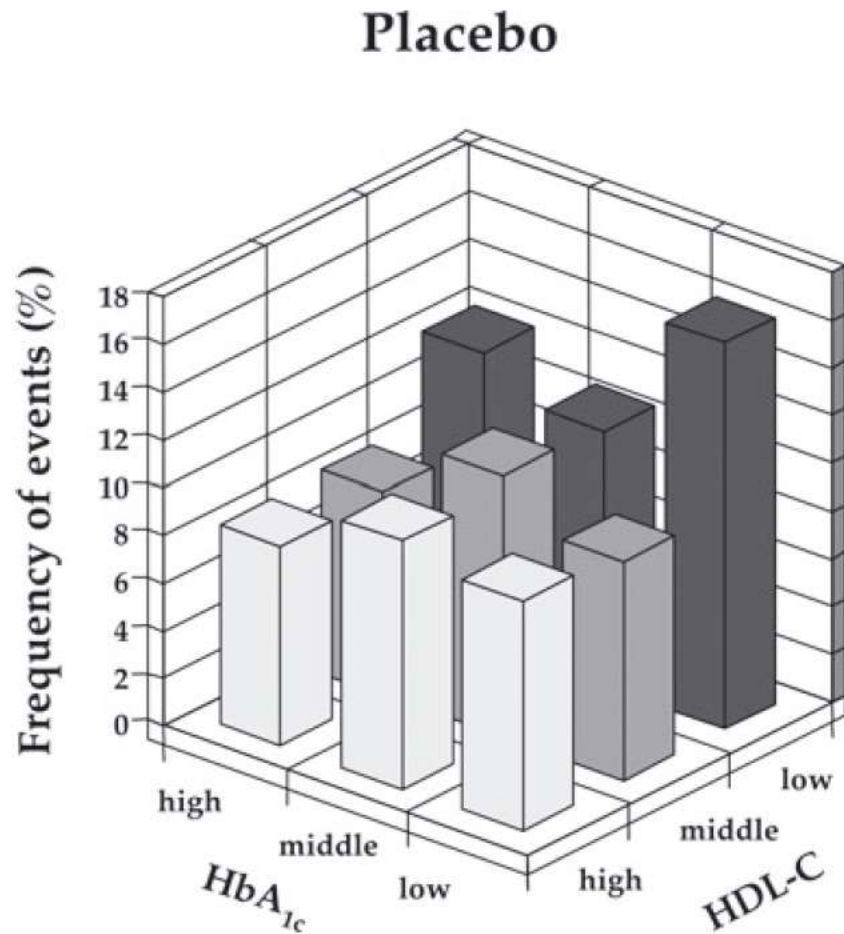
# PERISCOPE Study: Primary Endpoint Variation of atheroma volume (%)



# PERISCOPE: Comparison with other trials



High-density lipoprotein-cholesterol and not HbA1c was directly related to cardiovascular outcome in PROactive



■ Pioglitazone □ Placebo

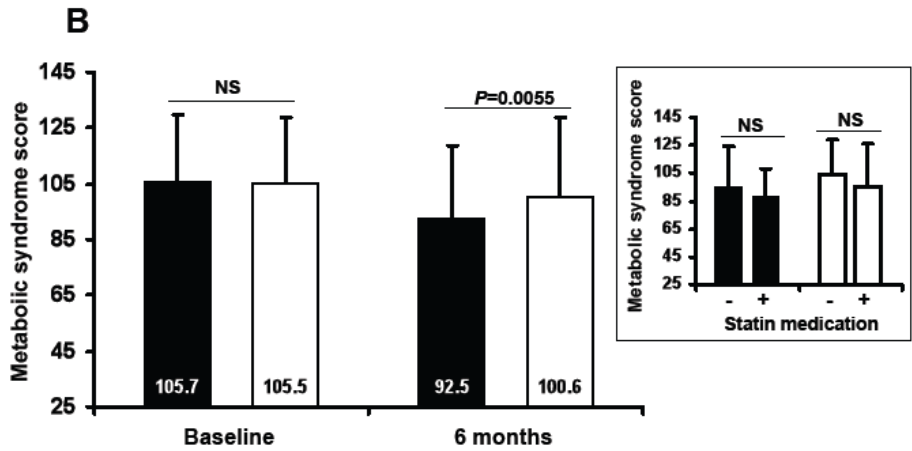
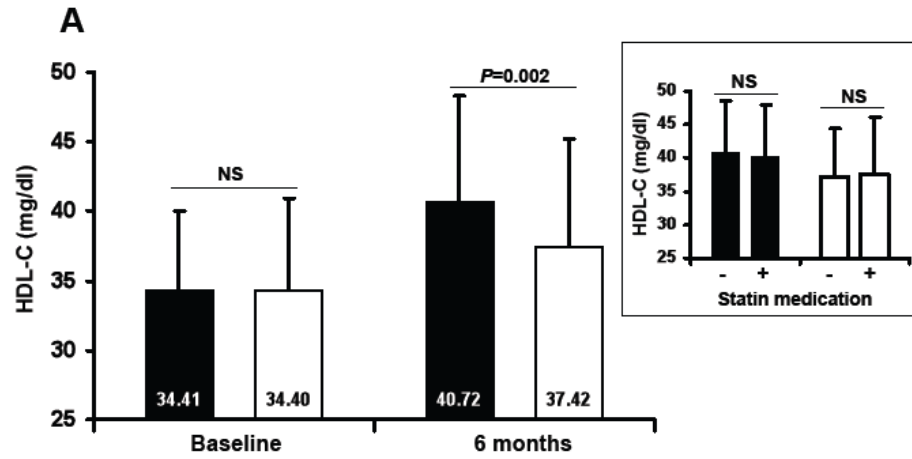
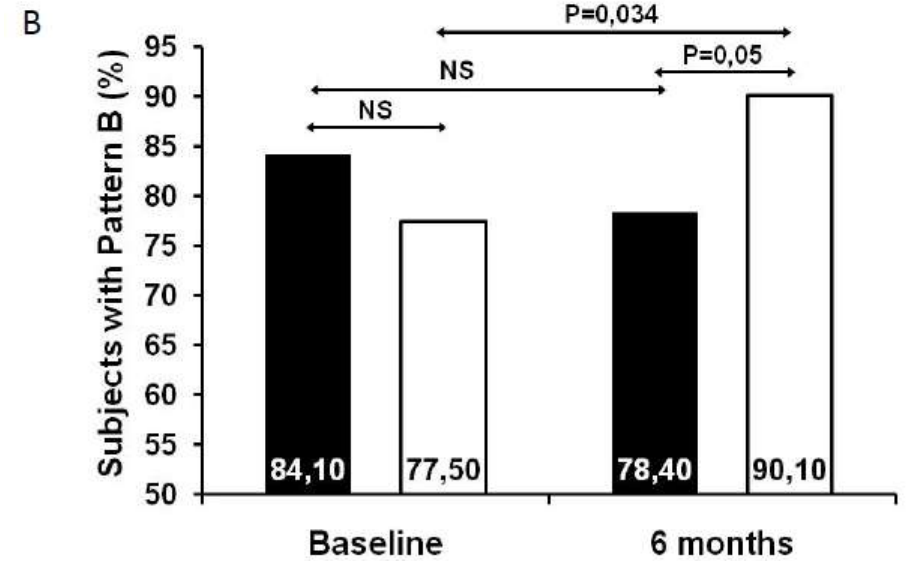
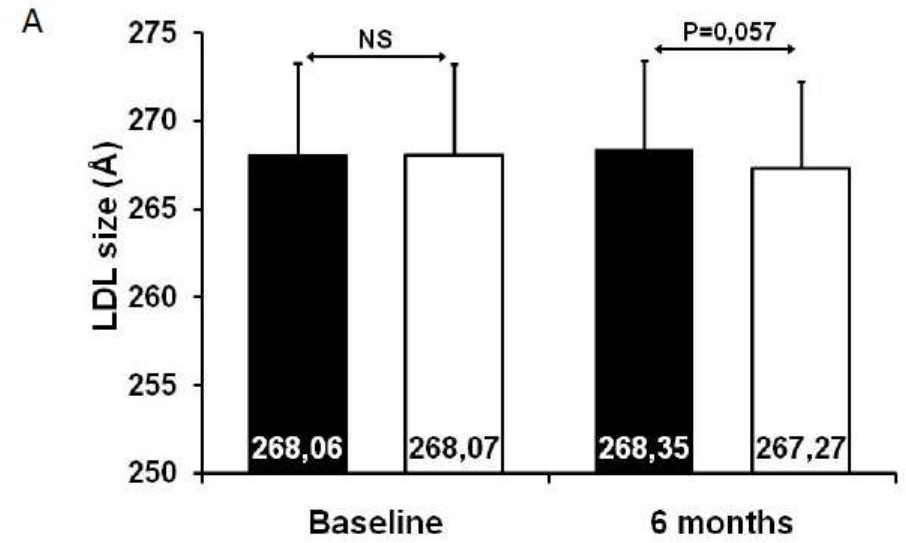


Figure 4

■ Pioglitazone □ Placebo





# Effect of Pioglitazone Versus Metformin on Cardiovascular Risk Markers in Type 2 Diabetes

**Table 2** Laboratory efficacy and safety variables with pioglitazone versus metformin

| Parameter   | Pioglitazone<br>Baseline | Pioglitazone<br>Week 16 | Metformin<br>Baseline | Metformin<br>Week 16 | <i>P</i> value |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Number of patients                                | 24                       | 24                      | 26                    | 26                   | –              |
| Markers of inflammatory response                  |                          |                         |                       |                      |                |
| CRP (mg/L)  | 1.8 (1.1–4.7)            | 1.4 (0.5–2.5)*          | 2.0 (1.1–2.9)         | 1.8 (0.8–3.7)        | 0.04           |
| P-selectin (µg/mL)                                | 56.9 (26.7–140)          | 52.2 (29.3–126.8)       | 41.3 (31.2–68.1)      | 47.5 (29.2–74.1)     | 0.73           |
| E-selectin (µg/mL)                                | 70.2 (52.6–81.5)         | 57.8 (53.7–83.8)**      | 65.1 (59.1–79.9)      | 68.5 (62.9–78.3)     | 0.01           |
| ICAM-1 (µg/mL)                                    | 292 (233–322)            | 269 (241–312)           | 251 (230–296)         | 252 (215–309)        | 0.87           |
| CD40L (pg/mL)                                     | 1.6 (0.5–2.9)            | 2.0 (0.4–3.6)           | 1.3 (0.8–2.5)         | 1.4 (0.8–2.4)        | 0.98           |
| Markers of platelet activation and thrombogenesis |                          |                         |                       |                      |                |
| TXB2 (pg/mg creatinine)                           | 146 (82–221)             | 121 (87–198)            | 123 (85–304)          | 159 (106–191)        | 0.61           |
| TF (pg/mL)  | 113 (102–131)            | 139 (113–172)           | 141 (100–189)         | 145 (111–223)        | 0.23           |
| PAI-1 (ng/mL)                                     | 55.1 (21.0–82.4)         | 35.8 (23.8–66.1)        | 32.7 (24.3–81.7)      | 39.5 (31.7–46.2)     | 0.69           |
| Markers of oxidative stress                       |                          |                         |                       |                      |                |
| Nitrotyrosine (nM)                                | 6.7±1.5                  | 6.6±1.6                 | 6.5±1.4               | 6.3±1.0              | 0.82           |

Glucose parameters

|                       |                |                  |                 |                |       |
|-----------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------|
| FPG (mg/dL)           | 153±40         | 126±25***        | 144±47          | 135±48*        | 0.01  |
| HbA <sub>1c</sub> (%) | 6.9±0.9        | 6.5±0.8**        | 6.7±0.7         | 6.5±0.7*       | 0.36  |
| Insulin (mU/L)        | 8.3 (6.7–14.7) | 6.3 (4.7–9.2)*** | 10.0 (5.3–12.8) | 8.1 (5.6–10.6) | 0.014 |
| HOMA index            | 3.2 (2.1–5.4)  | 2.0 (1.3–2.9)*** | 3.2 (2.0–4.1)   | 2.3 (2.1–3.3)  | 0.015 |

Lipid parameters

|                           |                  |                  |                  |                  |      |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------|
| Total cholesterol (mg/dL) | 212±24           | 222±35**         | 215±35           | 212±35           | 0.05 |
| HDL-C (mg/dL)             | 41±10            | 45±11*           | 40±9             | 42±9***          | 0.19 |
| LDL-C (mg/dL)             | 141±26           | 148±34           | 147±29           | 142±27           | 0.07 |
| VLDL-C (mg/dL)            | 22.8 (18.2–33.5) | 23.8 (16.0–32.2) | 24.3 (17.4–36.4) | 26.4 (17.8–37.2) | 0.94 |
| FFA (mmol/L)              | 0.4 (0.3–0.5)    | 0.4 (0.2–0.5)    | 0.4 (0.3–0.5)    | 0.4 (0.3–0.6)    | 0.07 |
| Triglycerides (mg/dL)     | 114 (91–168)     | 119 (80–161)     | 122 (87–182)     | 132 (89–186)     | 0.94 |

Safety parameters

|                           |                  |                     |                  |                  |         |
|---------------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|---------|
| Hemoglobin (g/dL)         | 14.4±1.1         | 14.1±1.0            | 14.6±1.0         | 14.4±1.1         | 0.58    |
| WBCs (10 <sup>9</sup> /L) | 6.2±1.5          | 5.9±1.4**           | 6.5±1.9          | 6.3±1.7          | 0.60    |
| Neutrophils (%)           | 51.4±8.0         | 50.2±7.2            | 53.5±7.8         | 53.7±9.3         | 0.72    |
| ALT (U/L)                 | 26.5 (20.5–33.0) | 19.0 (17.0–23.5)*** | 28.0 (23.0–48.0) | 27.5 (23.0–46.0) | <0.0001 |
| AST (U/L)                 | 20.0 (18.0–23.0) | 18.5 (15.0–22.0)*   | 20.0 (17.0–24.0) | 21.0 (16.0–26.0) | 0.003   |
| γGT (U/L)                 | 28.0 (21.0–36.5) | 19.5 (14.0–26.5)*** | 35.5 (24.0–40.0) | 32.0 (23.0–40.0) | <0.0001 |

# DPPIV-Inhibitors

# EXAMINE

Cardiovascular Outcomes With Alogliptin in  
Patients With Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus and Recent  
Acute Coronary Syndrome

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# EXAMINE: study objectives and endpoints

**Objective:** To demonstrate that major CV event rates are not higher with alogliptin versus placebo in Type 2 diabetes patients with recent acute coronary syndrome (ACS) who are receiving standard of care for diabetes and secondary CV prevention

## Primary endpoint

- Composite endpoint of major adverse cardiovascular events (MACE), defined as first occurrence of CV death, nonfatal myocardial infarction and nonfatal stroke

## Secondary endpoint

- Time from randomisation to first occurrence of MACE plus urgent revascularisation due to unstable angina within 24 hours after hospital admission

## Exploratory endpoints

- Death from CV causes
- Death from any cause

## Safety endpoints

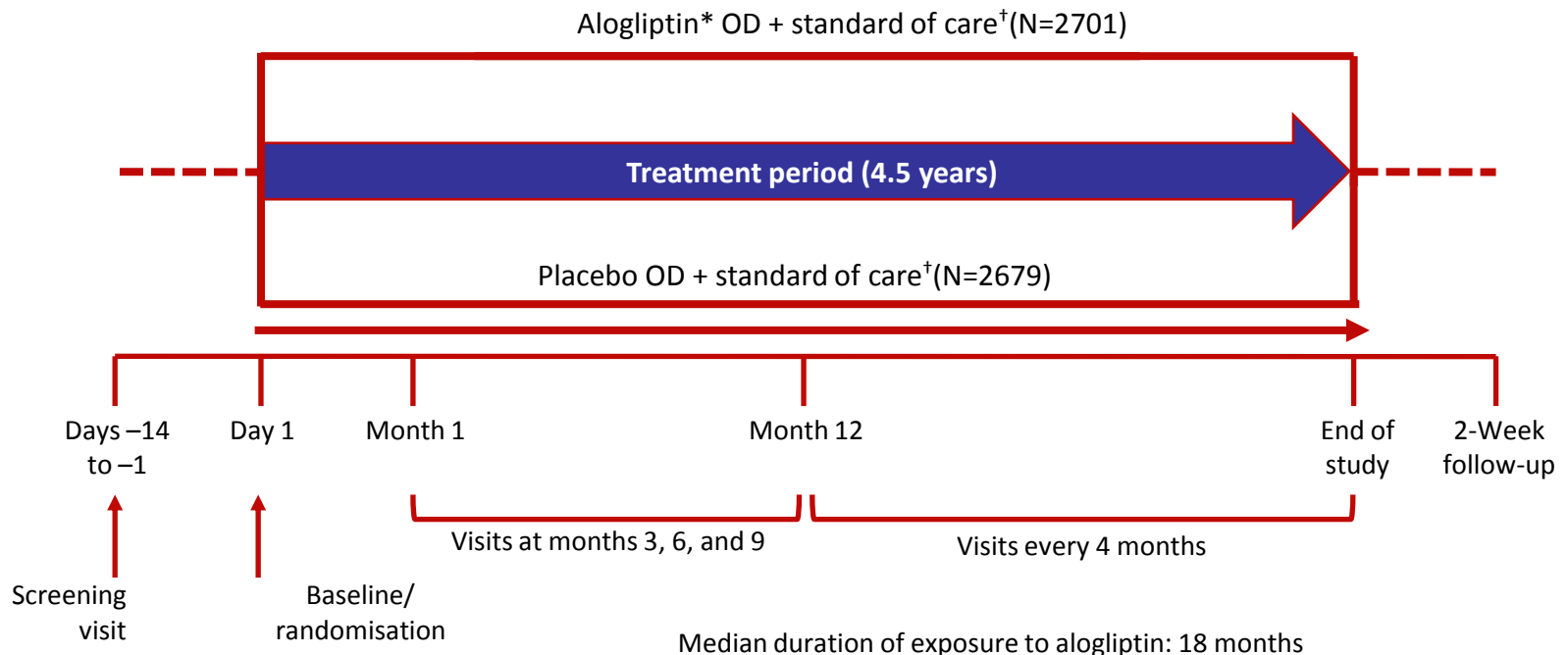
- Incidence of angioedema, hypoglycaemia, pancreatitis, cancer, renal function\*, ECGs
- Standard safety endpoints and laboratory testing

\*Changes in serum creatinine and eGFR, including the incidence of marked abnormalities and incidences of renal dialysis and kidney transplant

1. White WB, et al. *Am Heart J*. 2011;162(4):620–626
2. White WB, et al. *N Engl J Med* 2013;369:1327-1335
3. EXAMINE Final Clinical Study Report SYR-332\_402

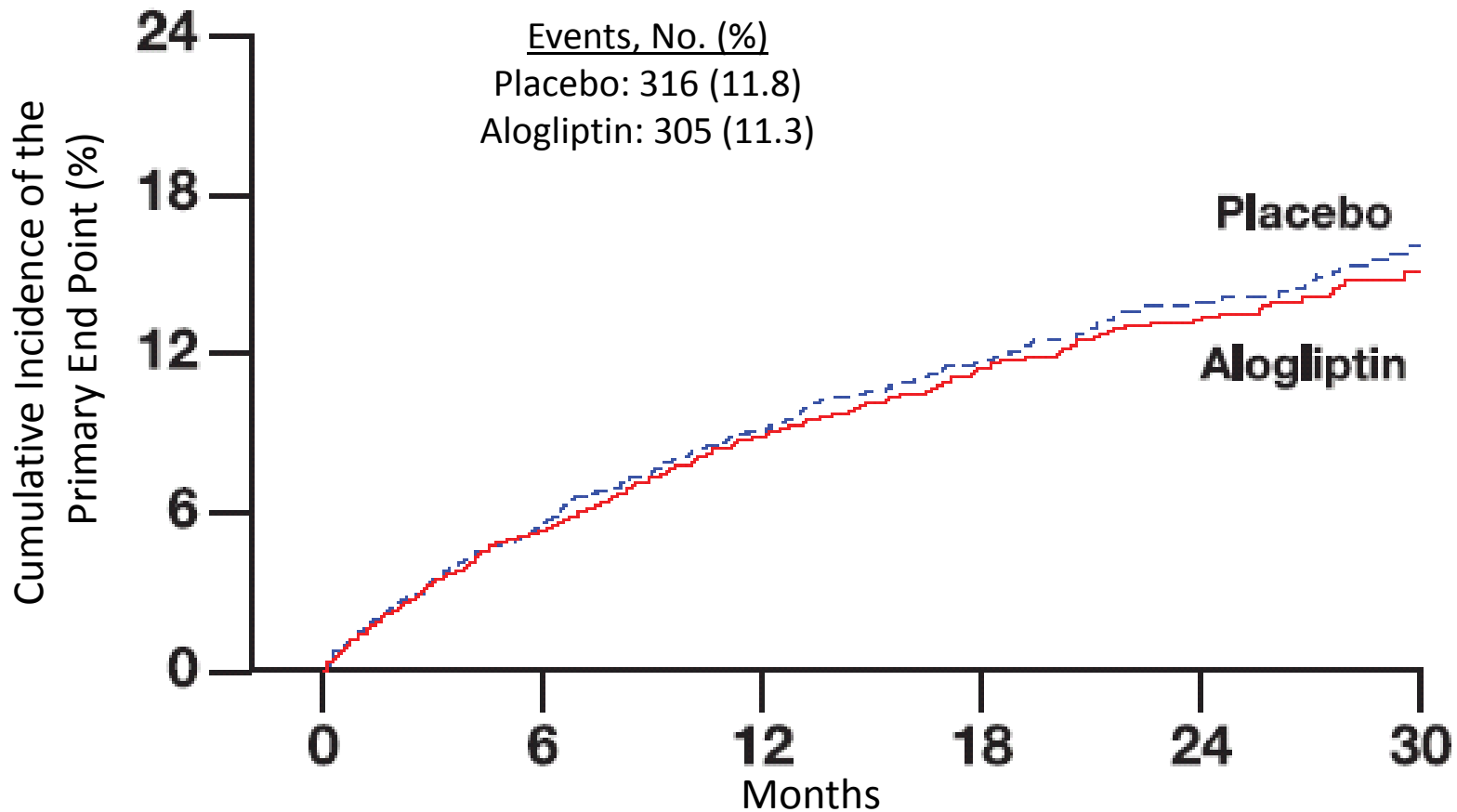
# Study design

**International, randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled study of alogliptin with diabetes standard of care versus placebo with diabetes and cardiovascular standard of care**



OD=once daily. \*At randomisation, patients were assigned to receive 25, 12.5, or 6.25mg OD based on renal function. After randomisation, dose adjustments were allowed on the basis of changes in renal function. <sup>†</sup>Investigators were permitted to adjust any antidiabetic therapy in alogliptin and placebo arms if required (with the exception of the addition of a DPP-4 inhibitor or GLP-1 analogue)

# Time to Primary End Point (CV Death, Nonfatal MI, Nonfatal Stroke)



Hazard ratio, 0.96 (\* one-sided repeated CI bound, 1.16)

# Primary End Point by Components

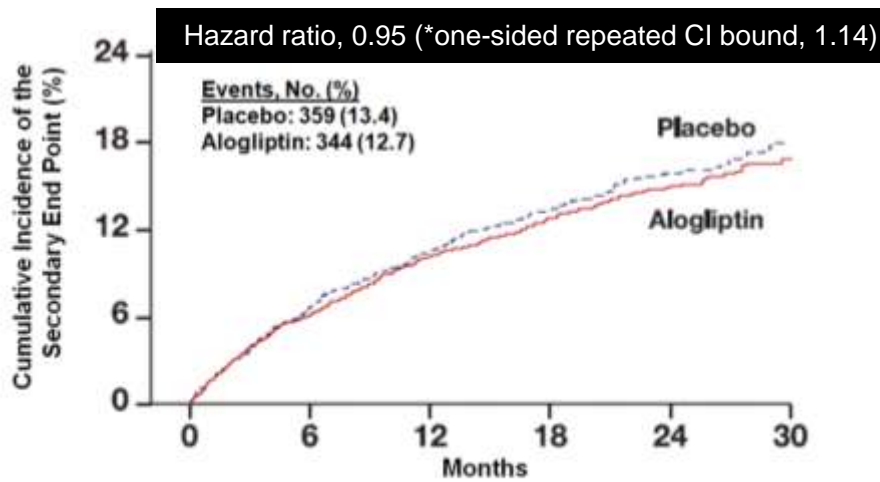
|  | <b>Alogliptin<br/>(N=2701)</b> | <b>Placebo<br/>(N=2679)</b> | <b>HR for Alogliptin<br/>Group (95% CI)</b> |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Primary end point:<br>CV death, nonfatal MI,<br>or nonfatal stroke, No.<br>(%) | 305 (11.3)                     | 316 (11.8)                  | 0.96<br>(≤1.16)*                            |
| CV death   | 89 (3.3)                       | 111 (4.1)                   | 0.79<br>(0.60 to 1.04)                      |
| Nonfatal MI  | 187 (6.9)                      | 173 (6.5)                   | 1.08<br>(0.88 to 1.33)                      |
| Nonfatal stroke  | 29 (1.1)                       | 32 (1.2)                    | 0.91<br>(0.55 to 1.50)                      |

\*99% one-sided confidence interval, P<0.001 for non-inferiority

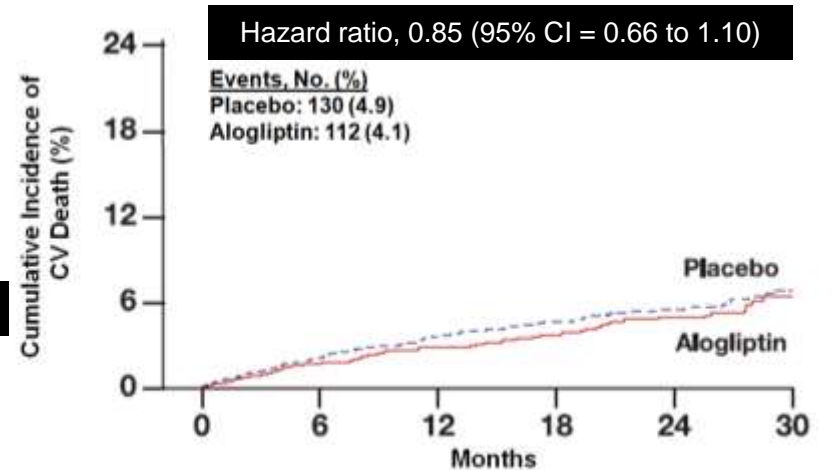


# Other End Points

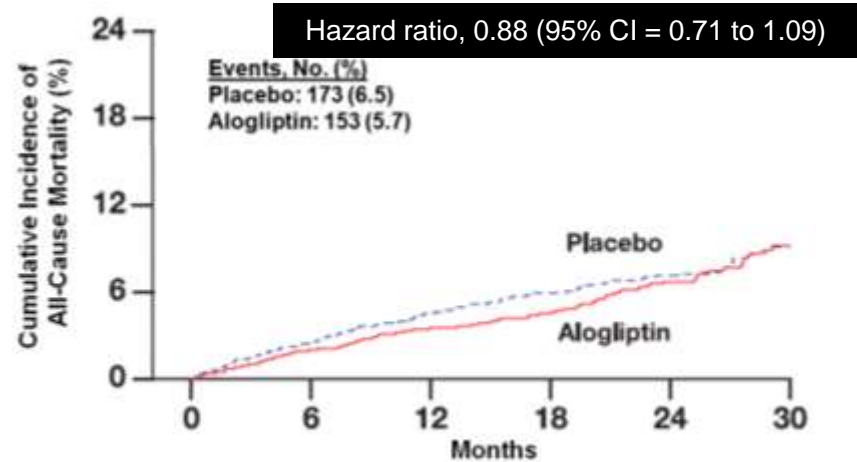
## Secondary End Point



|                 |      |      |      |      |     |     |
|-----------------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|
| Placebo (n):    | 2679 | 2275 | 1861 | 1345 | 784 | 278 |
| Alogliptin (n): | 2701 | 2297 | 1873 | 1373 | 806 | 287 |



|                 |      |      |      |      |     |     |
|-----------------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|
| Placebo (n):    | 2679 | 2384 | 1996 | 1477 | 889 | 324 |
| Alogliptin (n): | 2701 | 2402 | 2023 | 1504 | 894 | 320 |



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|-----------------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|
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| Alogliptin (n): | 2701 | 2401 | 2023 | 1504 | 894 | 320 |

GLP1-RA

# Evaluation of Cardiovascular Outcomes in Patients With Type 2 Diabetes After Acute Coronary Syndrome During Treatment With AVE0010 (Lixisenatide) (ELIXA)

- Primary Objective:
  - To demonstrate that lixisenatide can reduce cardiovascular morbidity and mortality [composite endpoint of cardiovascular (CV) death, non-fatal myocardial infarction (MI), non-fatal stroke, hospitalization for unstable angina] compared to placebo in type 2 diabetic patients who recently experienced an acute coronary syndrome (ACS) event.
- Secondary Objectives:
  - To demonstrate that when compared to placebo, lixisenatide can reduce:
    - composite endpoint of cardiovascular death, non-fatal MI, non-fatal stroke, hospitalization for unstable angina, or hospitalization for heart failure
    - composite endpoint of cardiovascular death, non-fatal MI, non-fatal stroke, hospitalization for unstable angina, hospitalization for heart failure, or coronary revascularization procedure
    - urinary albumin excretion (based on the urinary albumin/creatinine ratio).
  - To assess the safety and tolerability of lixisenatide.

# Sulfonylureas

# SU and Heart

- Tutte le SU (glimepiride compresa) riducono il flusso coronarico a riposo (LegtenbergR 1999 e 2001)
- Possibile riduzione del sopraslivellamento del tratto ST nei pazienti in trattamento con SU (Huizar 2003)
- Dati contrastanti su un possibile effetto proaritmico della glibenclamide (NajeedS 2002, DheinS 2000)
- Effetti negativi della glibenclamide sulla contrattilità ventricolare nel coniglio in confronto alla metformina (RenJ 1999) e nell'uomo con DM2 in confronto all'insulina (Scognamiglio R 2002)

# Sulfonylureas attenuate electrocardiographic ST-Segment elevation during an acute myocardial infarction in diabetics

I pazienti diabetici in trattamento con sulfonilurea corrono un rischio maggiore di non soddisfare i criteri per un trattamento trombolitico immediato

# SU e preconditionamento ischemico

- Le SU inibiscono i canali del potassio ATP sensibili con depolarizzazione cellulare ed innalzamento del calcio intracellulare (Terzic A 1995, Ashcroft S 1992)
- In questo modo bloccano il preconditionamento (EnglerR 1996, Cleveland J 1997, Tomai F 1994)
- Cuori isolati di animali: le SU, tranne la glimepiride, annullano il preconditionamento, particolarmente la glibenclamide (HorimotoH 2002, GribbleF 1998, LegtenbergR 2001, MocanuM 2001, Nieszner E 2002)
- Occlusione sperimentale acuta di una coronaria nell'uomo, confronto doppio cieco fra placebo, glibenclamide e glimepiride: la glibenclamide sopprime il preconditionamento ischemico (KlepzigH 1999)

Sulfonylureas and ischaemic preconditioning. A double-blind, placebo-controlled evaluation of glimepiride and glibenclamide

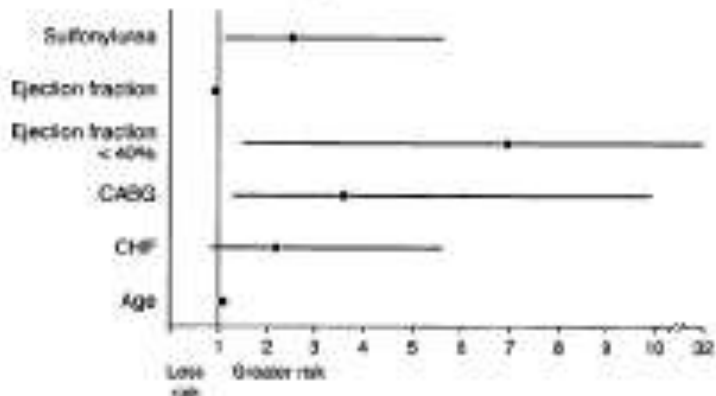
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# SU and PTCA

- O'Keefe (1998): La differenza di sopravvivenza fra PTCA e CABG si verifica solo nei pazienti diabetici trattati con SU

Figure 1. Multivariate correlates of in-hospital mortality (odds ratios and 95% confidence intervals).



- Garratt (1999): I fattori di rischio per aumentata mortalità intra ospedaliera dopo angioplastica per IMA sono: LVEF < 40%, pregressa CABG, età e trattamento con SU

# Cardiovascular safety of sulfonylureas: a meta-analysis of randomized clinical trials

| First author (Year) | MH-OR | LL (95% CI) | UL (95% CI) | p     | MH-OR (95% CI) | Sulfonylureas |            | Comparator |            | Variance (%) |
|---------------------|-------|-------------|-------------|-------|----------------|---------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|
|                     |       |             |             |       |                | # Events      | # Patients | # Events   | # Patients |              |
| Birkeland 1996 [33] | 0.315 | 0.012       | 8.269       | 0.489 |                | 0             | 18         | 1          | 18         | 0.07         |
| Chou 2008 [41]      | 0.516 | 0.046       | 5.729       | 0.590 |                | 1             | 222        | 2          | 230        | 0.21         |
| Perriello 2006 [99] | 0.522 | 0.128       | 2.131       | 0.365 |                | 3             | 137        | 6          | 146        | 0.64         |
| Gerstein 2010 [67]  | 0.534 | 0.301       | 0.945       | 0.031 |                | 20            | 339        | 35         | 333        | 3.42         |

But a significant increase in **mortality** was observed with sulfonylureas  
(MHOR: 1.22 [1.01–1.49], p=0.047)

|                      |              |              |              |              |  |            |               |            |               |            |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--|------------|---------------|------------|---------------|------------|
| Kahn 2006 [85]       | 1.144        | 0.704        | 1.858        | 0.587        |  | 26         | 1441          | 46         | 2910          | 4.13       |
| Goke 2010 [71]       | 1.164        | 0.388        | 3.492        | 0.787        |  | 7          | 430           | 6          | 428           | 0.93       |
| Garber 2009 [65]     | 1.167        | 0.386        | 3.522        | 0.785        |  | 7          | 248           | 6          | 247           | 0.93       |
| Nissen 2008 [5]      | 1.177        | 0.518        | 2.676        | 0.697        |  | 13         | 273           | 11         | 270           | 1.71       |
| Ristic 2007 [118]    | 1.560        | 0.256        | 9.490        | 0.630        |  | 3          | 129           | 2          | 133           | 0.36       |
| Ferrannini 2009 [56] | 1.851        | 0.912        | 3.754        | 0.088        |  | 22         | 1393          | 12         | 1396          | 2.42       |
| Bakris 2006 [30]     | 1.922        | 0.553        | 6.679        | 0.304        |  | 7          | 180           | 4          | 194           | 0.78       |
| Gallwitz 2012 [62]   | 2.210        | 1.107        | 4.412        | 0.025        |  | 26         | 775           | 12         | 776           | 2.21       |
| Jain 2006 [83]       | 2.722        | 0.714        | 10.380       | 0.143        |  | 8          | 251           | 3          | 251           | 0.78       |
| Johnston 1998 [84]   | 6.034        | 0.619        | 58.837       | 0.122        |  | 3          | 92            | 1          | 180           | 0.28       |
| Nauck 2011 [96]      | 7.035        | 0.362        | 136.640      | 0.197        |  | 3          | 401           | 0          | 400           | 0.21       |
| Seck 2010 [112]      | 9.124        | 0.490        | 169.848      | 0.138        |  | 4          | 584           | 0          | 588           | 0.28       |
| <b>Overall</b>       | <b>1.041</b> | <b>0.825</b> | <b>1.312</b> | <b>0.736</b> |  | <b>617</b> | <b>13.327</b> | <b>878</b> | <b>16.456</b> | <b>100</b> |

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**Table 2.** Sulphonylurea (SU) and dipeptidyl peptidase-4 inhibitor (DPP-4i) types at cohort entry and exit.

| SU            | SU generation |        | First prescription, n (%) |        | Last prescription, n (%) |              | DPP-4i | First prescription, n (%) |      | Last prescription, n (%) |      |
|---------------|---------------|--------|---------------------------|--------|--------------------------|--------------|--------|---------------------------|------|--------------------------|------|
|               | Gliclazide    | 2      | 30 301                    | (89.2) | 30 297                   | (89.2)       |        | Sitagliptin               | 5864 | (74.6)                   | 5857 |
| Glimepiride   | 2             | 2337   | (6.9)                     | 2397   | (7.1)                    | Saxagliptin  | 996    | (12.7)                    | 1012 | (12.9)                   |      |
| Glipizide     | 2             | 896    | (2.6)                     | 883    | (2.6)                    | Vildagliptin | 730    | (9.3)                     | 678  | (8.6)                    |      |
| Glibenclamide | 2             | 330    | (1.0)                     | 279    | (0.8)                    | Linagliptin  | 274    | (3.5)                     | 317  | (4.0)                    |      |
| Tolbutamide   | 1             | 119    | (0.4)                     | 127    | (0.4)                    |              |        |                           |      |                          |      |
|               |               | 33 983 | (100.0)                   | 33 983 | (100.0)                  |              | 7864   | (100.0)                   | 7864 | (100.0)                  |      |

**Table 3.** Events, crude rates, risk ratios and adjusted hazard ratios (aHRs) for all-cause mortality in patients treated with metformin plus sulphonylurea (SU) versus metformin plus dipeptidyl peptidase-4 inhibitor (DPP-4i) dual therapy.

| Study design       | Cohort (in combination with metformin) |        | Crude rates (per 1000 person-years) |                           | Crude risk ratio (95% CI) |                     | aHR (95% CI) | p |
|--------------------|--|--------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------|---|
|                    | n                                      | Events | Crude rates (per 1000 person-years) | Crude risk ratio (95% CI) |                           |                     |              |   |
| All subjects       | SU                                     | 33 983 | 1133                                | 16.9                      | 2.327 (1.864–2.904)       | 1.357 (1.076–1.710) | 0.010        |   |
|                    | DPP-4i                                 | 7864   | 84                                  | 7.3                       |                           |                     |              |   |
| Directly matched   | SU                                     | 5447   | 96                                  | 10.2                      | 2.108 (1.466–3.076)       | 1.850 (1.245–2.749) | <0.001       |   |
|                    | DPP-4i                                 | 5447   | 40                                  | 4.9                       |                           |                     |              |   |
| Propensity-matched | SU                                     | 6901   | 121                                 | 10.7                      | 1.743 (1.289–2.379)       | 1.497 (1.092–2.052) | 0.012        |   |
|                    | DPP-4i                                 | 6901   | 63                                  | 6.2                       |                           |                     |              |   |

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**Table 4.** Events, crude rates, risk ratios and adjusted hazard ratios (aHRs) for first major adverse cardiovascular events (MACE) in patients treated with metformin plus sulphonylurea (SU) versus metformin plus dipeptidyl peptidase-4 inhibitor (DPP-4i) dual therapy.

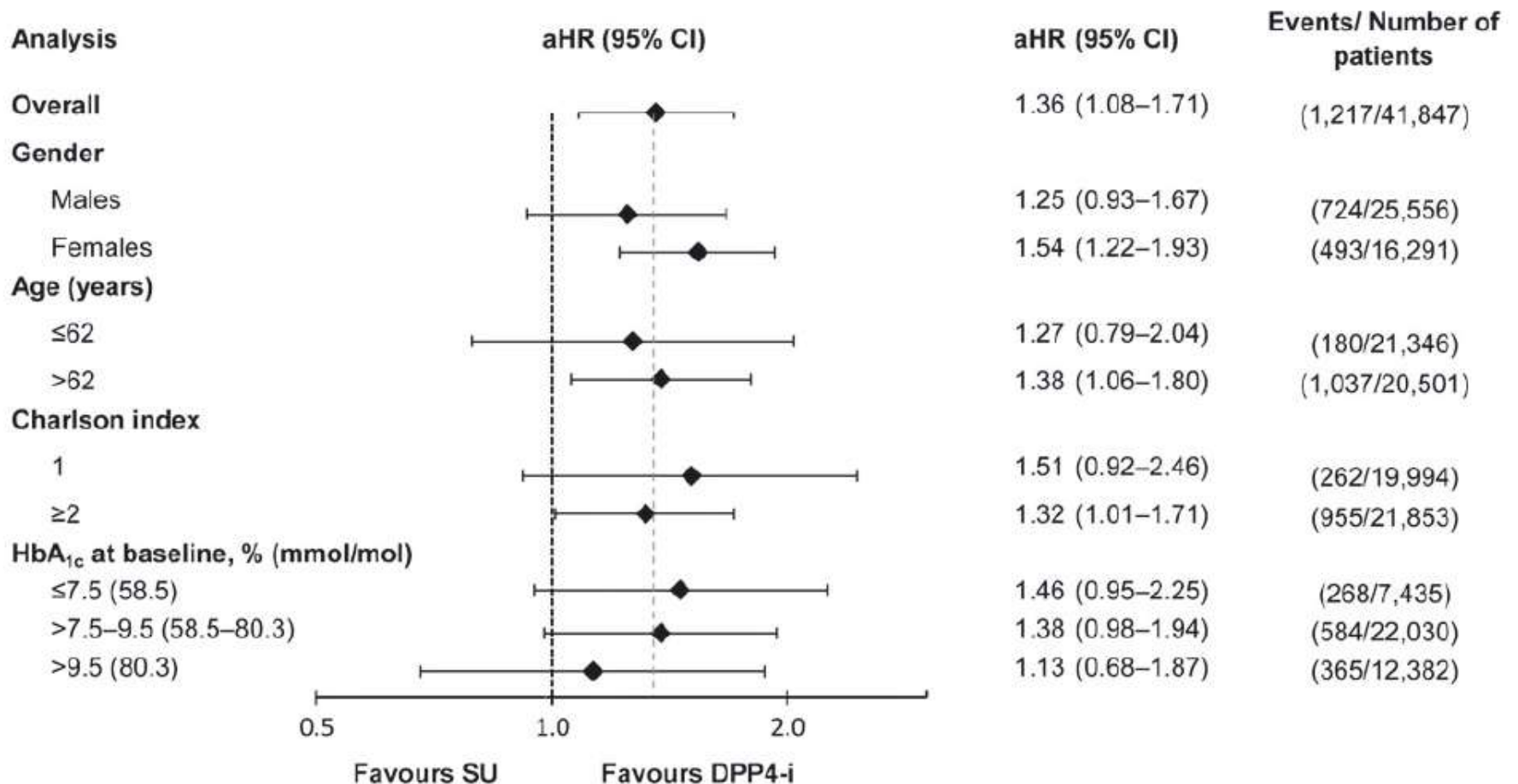
| Study design       | Cohort (in combination with metformin) | n*     | Events | Crude rates (per 1000 person-years) | Crude risk ratio (95% CI) | aHR (95% CI)        | p      |
|--------------------|--|--------|--------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|--------|
| All subjects       | SU                                     | 29 865 | 661    | 11.3                                | 2.145 (1.629–2.824)       | 1.710 (1.280–2.285) | <0.001 |
|                    | DPP-4i                                 | 7091   | 55     | 5.3                                 |                           |                     |        |
| Directly matched   | SU                                     | 4423   | 58     | 7.7                                 | 1.469 (0.965–2.234)       | 1.323 (0.832–2.105) | 0.237  |
|                    | DPP-4i                                 | 4423   | 35     | 5.2                                 |                           |                     |        |
| Propensity-matched | SU                                     | 6175   | 88     | 8.8                                 | 1.688 (1.191–2.414)       | 1.547 (1.076–2.225) | 0.019  |
|                    | DPP-4i                                 | 6229   | 48     | 5.2                                 |                           |                     |        |

\*With no prior MACE.

**Directly Matched Cohorts:** Exposed (metformin plus DPP-4i) patients were matched to non-exposed (metformin plus SU) patients by age ( $\pm 2$  years), gender, year of index exposure, diabetes duration ( $\pm 1$  year), BMI ( $\pm 3$  kg/m<sup>2</sup>), serum creatinine ( $\pm 10$   $\mu$ mol/L) and HbA1c [ $\pm 1\%$  ( $\pm 11$  mmol/mol)].

**Propensity-matched Cohorts:** Exposed patients were matched to non-exposed patients by propensity score, incorporating age, gender, year of index exposure, diabetes duration, BMI, serum creatinine, total cholesterol, SBP, GP contacts in the 12 months to index date, HbA1c, Charlson index, smoking status and line of therapy.

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