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# DIABETES UPDATE 2013

# AIMS OF THE SEMINAR

- Diagnosis
- Investigation
- Management
- New treatments
- When to refer
- How to liaise with a specialist

# WHAT IS DIABETES?

- A syndrome of raised blood glucose, hyperglycaemia, due to various causes.
- It has acute and chronic complications.
- Patients often have high BP and high lipid levels.

# DIAGNOSIS OF DIABETES

- Typical symptoms and high RANDOM blood glucose
- Fasting blood glucose  $>7\text{mmol/l}$
- 75g OGTT
- HbA1c;  $48\text{ mmol/mol}$  (6.5%)

# Investigations

- HbA1c
- Renal function
- Liver function
- Lipids
- Thyroid function

MANAGEMENT

DEPENDS ON THE TYPE OF  
DIABETES

WHICH TYPES OF  
DIABETES CAN YOU NAME?

# TYPES OF DIABETTES

- Type 1: insulin dependent
- LADA latent autoimmune diabetes in adults
- Type 2
- Pancreatic disorders
- Drug induced
- Endocrine disorders
- Ethnic variants of diabetes
- Genetic syndromes



# TYPE 1 DIABETES

- Autoimmune destruction of the insulin producing islet beta cells
- Insulin deficient: insulin dependent
- Usually young, but can be ANY age
- Autoantibody tests: ICA, IA2, GAD
- Often other endocrine disorders in patient or family

# LADA

## latent autoimmune diabetes in adults

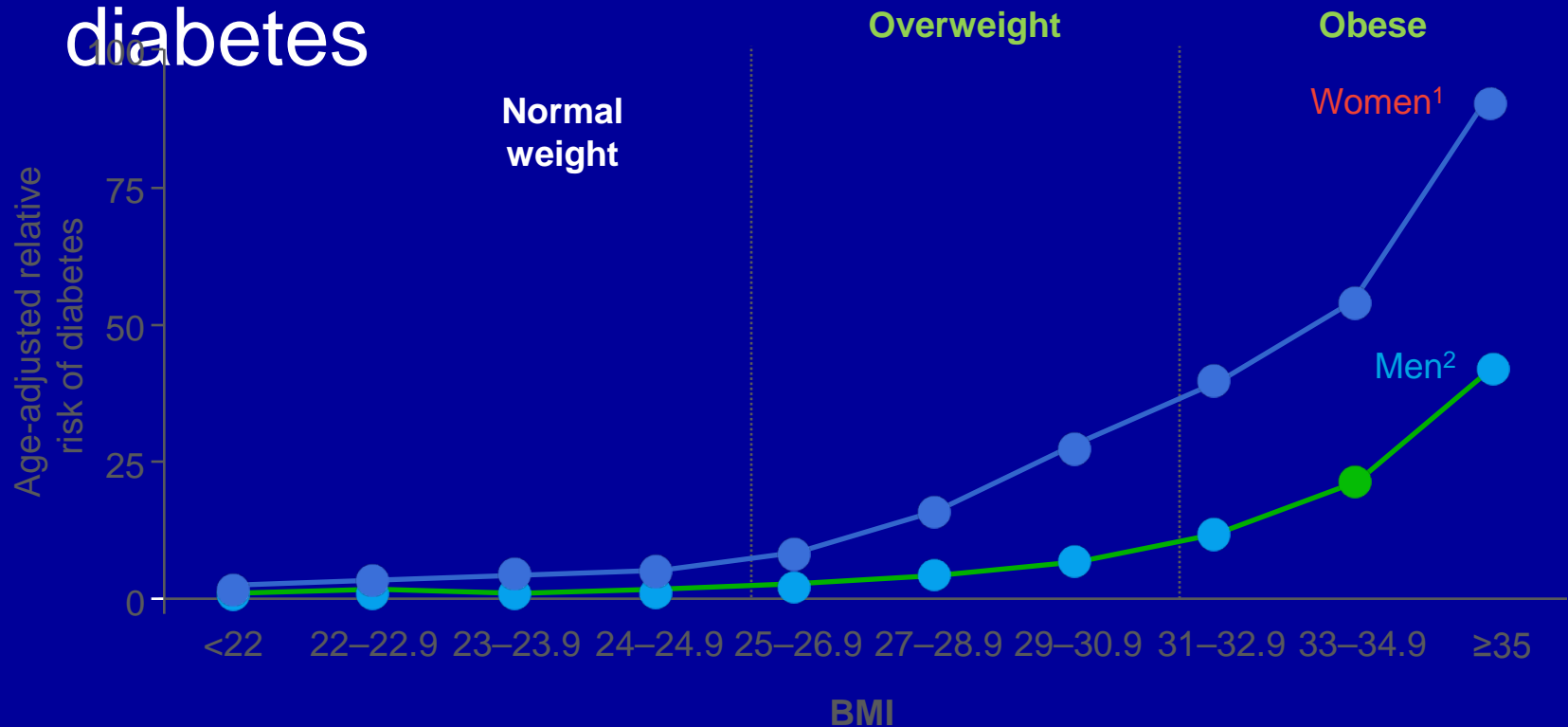
- Older patients, often female
- Medical or family history of related conditions: type 1 diabetes, thyroid, PA, Addison's, coeliac, vitiligo
- Presents as type 2 diabetes
- Progressive deterioration in control, increasing therapy
- Autoantibodies: GAD, ICA, tTG, TPO

# TYPE 2 DIABETES

- Insulin resistant/deficient
- Not absolutely insulin dependent
- Strong family history
- Often obese or overweight
- Usually hypertensive and hyperlipidaemic

# Diabetes and obesity are closely interlinked

## Relationship between BMI and risk of type 2 diabetes



BMI, body mass index.

1. Colditz GA, et al. *Ann Intern Med* 1995;122:481-6; 2. Chan J, et al. *Diabetes Care* 1994;17:961-9.

# DIABETES SECONDARY TO PANCREATIC DISORDERS

- Chronic or acute pancreatitis
- Calcific, tropical pancreatitis
- Pancreatectomy
- Pancreatic cancer
- Cystic fibrosis
- Haemochromatosis

# DRUG INDUCED DIABETES

- Diuretics
- Steroids
- Antipsychotics e.g. Olanzapine
- Psychiatric drugs: weight gain

# ENDOCRINE DISORDERS

- Acromegaly
- Cushing's syndrome
- Pheochromocytoma

# ETHNIC VARIANTS OF DIABETES

- J type diabetes: 'Jamaican' diabetes, Afro-Caribbeans
- Flatbush diabetes: US Afro-Americans
- MRDM: malnutrition- related diabetes, tropical diabetes
- Chronic calcific pancreatitis: secondary diabetes
- Z type diabetes



# GENETIC SYNDROMES

- Friedreich's ataxia
- Dystrophia myotonica

# GESTATIONAL DIABETES

- Diabetes appears during pregnancy
- Diabetes resolves after pregnancy
- At risk of diabetes in later pregnancy
- At risk of diabetes in future
- Pregnancy in the known diabetic case
- Diabetes arising or diagnosed in pregnancy

# MODY

‘Maturity onset diabetes in the young:  
Mason diabetes, Tattersall & Fajans

- Autosomal dominant pattern
- 1-2% of diabetic cases
- Onset under 25
- Insulin not required initially
- Glucokinase, HNF 1A, HNF 4A

# INSULIN THERAPY

- Twice daily mix: Novomix 30, Humalog Mix 25
- Basal bolus: Lantus or Levemir, Novorapid or Humalog
- Pump therapy
- Insulin side effects: weight gain, hypoglycaemia

# INSULIN PEN



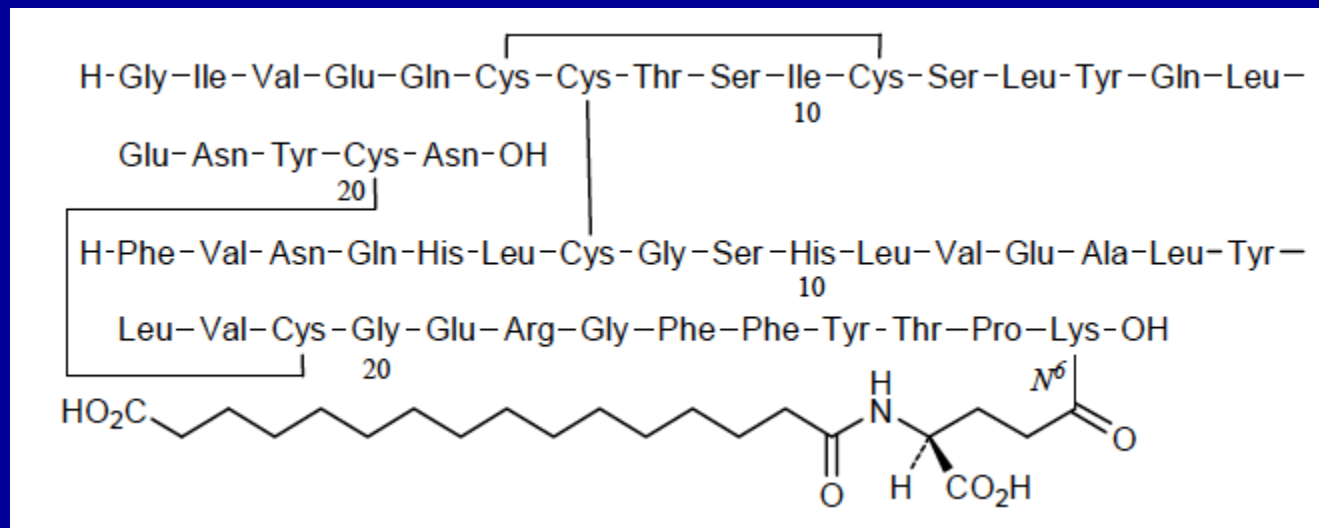
# TRESIBA:DEGLUDEC INSULIN

- Insulin degludec is a modified insulin that has one single amino acid deleted in comparison to human insulin, and is conjugated to hexadecanedioic acid via gamma-L-glutamyl spacer at the amino acid lysine at position B29

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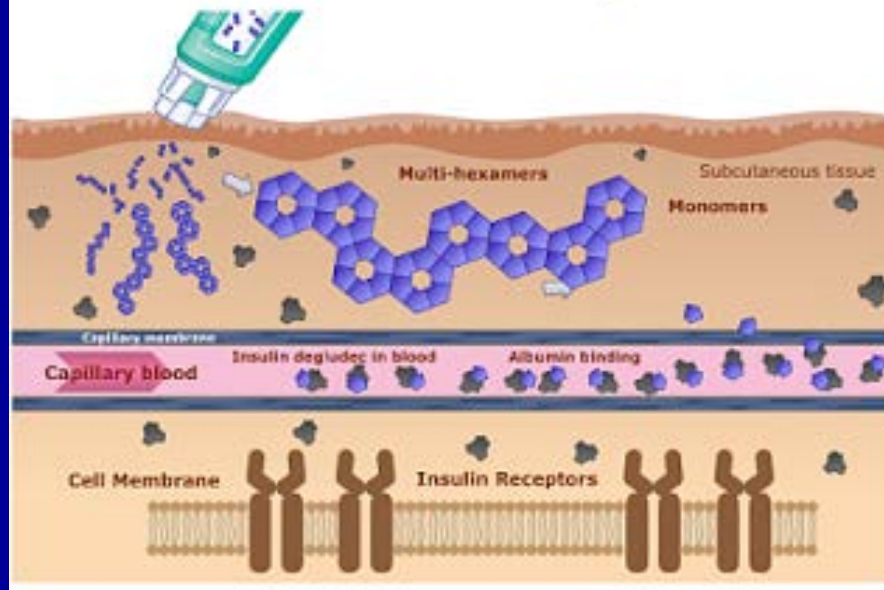
- Ultra-long lasting insulin: 40 hours
- Injected thrice weekly or daily
- Flat profile
- Daily time of injection not critical
- Allows for missed injection
- Nocturnal hypos 27% lower: (3.91 vs. Lantus 5.22%, $p=0.024$ ), HbA1c similar

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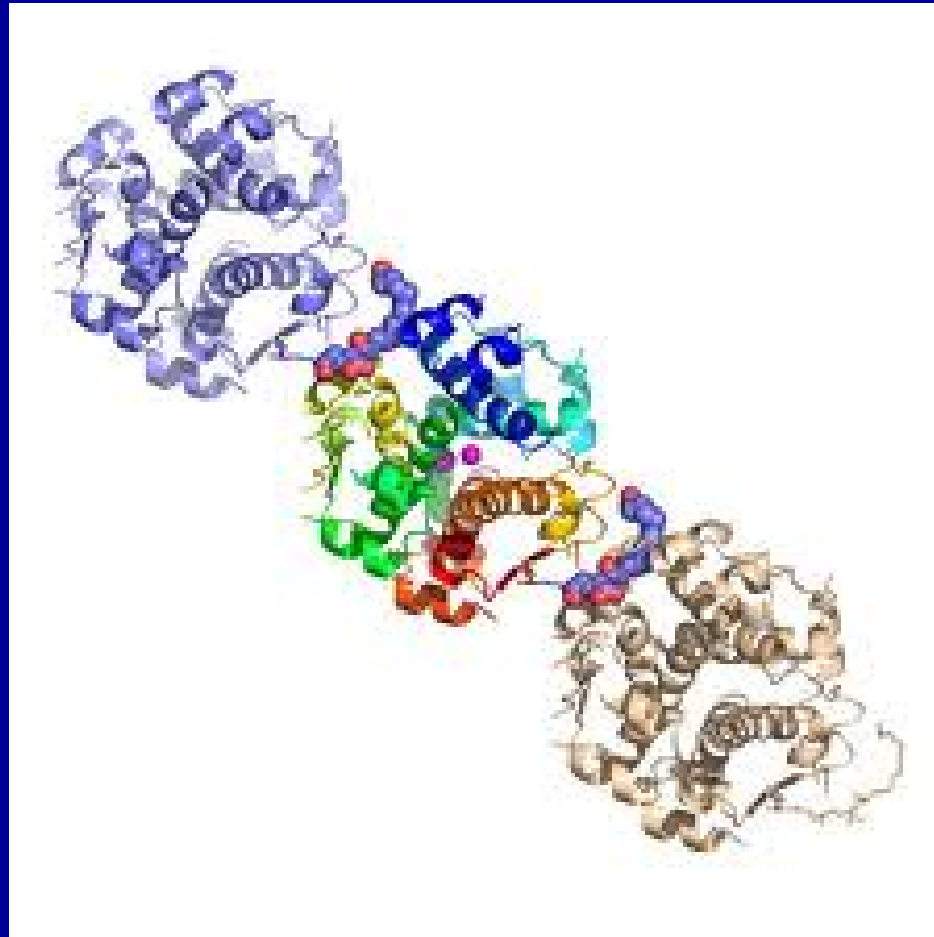




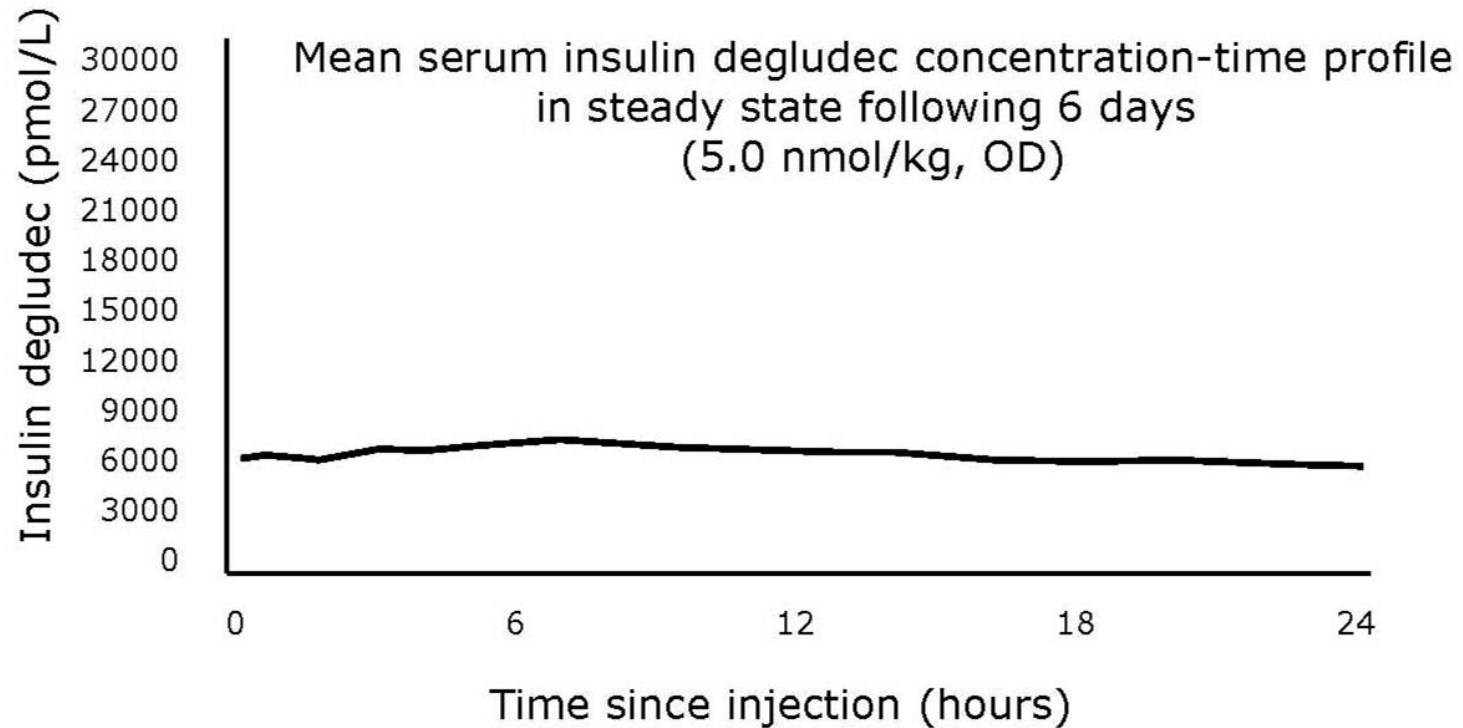
## Protraction mechanism for Degludec



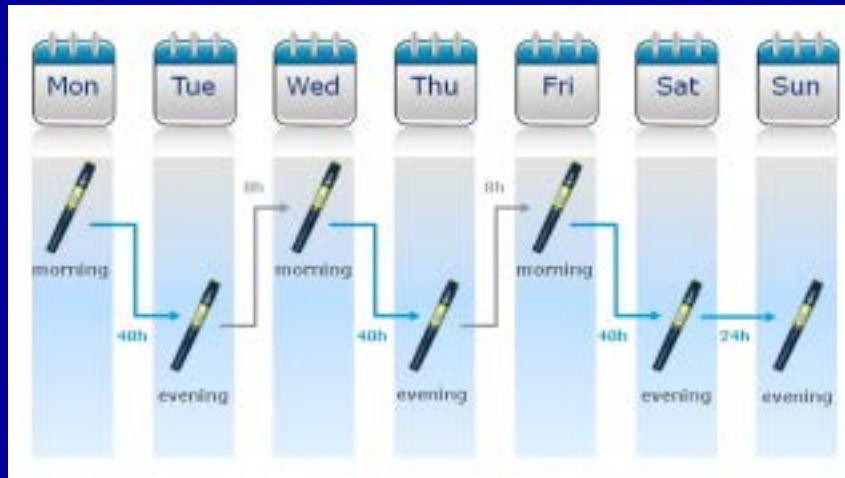
# TRESIBA:DEGLUDEC INSULIN



# DEGLUDEC: STEADY STATE



# TRESIBA:DEGLUDEC INSULIN: ALTERING THE TIME OF INJECTION: FORCED FLEXIBLE DOSING REGIMEN STEADY STATE MAINTAINED



# INSULIN PUMP THERAPY



# LIFESTYLE THERAPY

- Diet
- Physical activity
- Bariatric surgery

# LIFESTYLE THERAPY



# TABLET THERAPY

- Metformin, immediate or slow release
- Sulphonylureas e.g. gliclazide, glimepiride
- DPP-4 inhibitors, e.g. sitagliptin
- Glycosuric drugs  
e.g. Forxiga: dapagliflozin



# THE INCRETIN EFFECT

FOOD STIMULATES GUT  
HORMONES AND  
ENHANCES THE  
RELEASE OF INSULIN

# INCRETIN PATHWAY

- IV glucose stimulates insulin release.
- Food stimulates the release of insulin *and* gut hormones e.g. GLP-1
- GLP-1 boosts insulin, reduces glucagon, slows gastric emptying and reduces appetite
- The increase in insulin release caused by food v. IV glucose = **'incretin effect'**

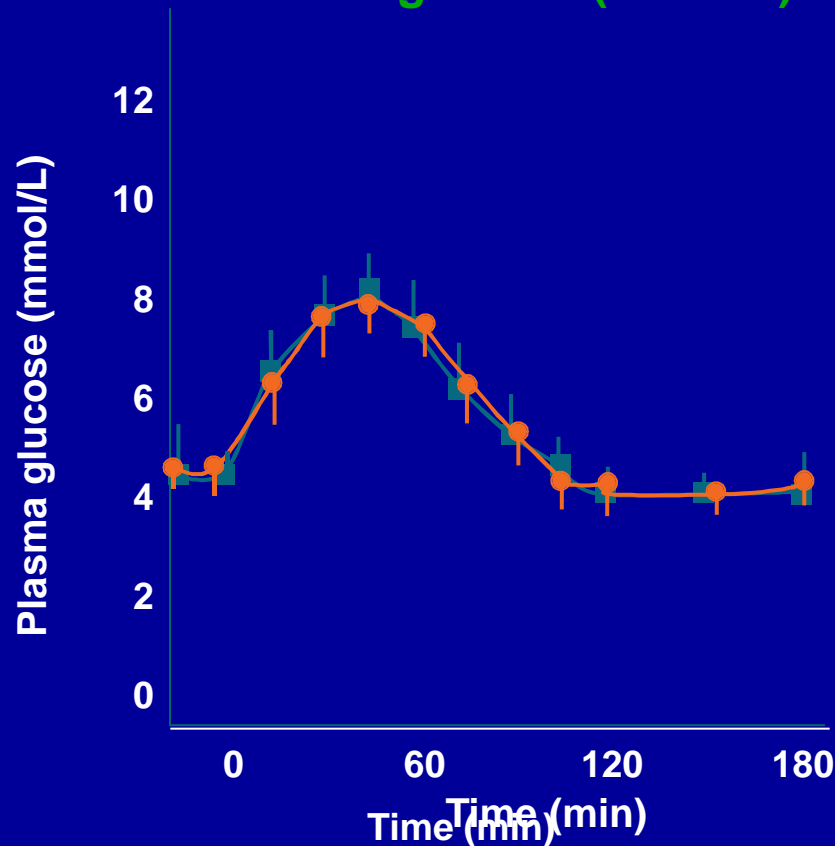
# The incretin effect : $\beta$ -cell response to oral vs IV glucose

Crossover of healthy subjects (N = 6)

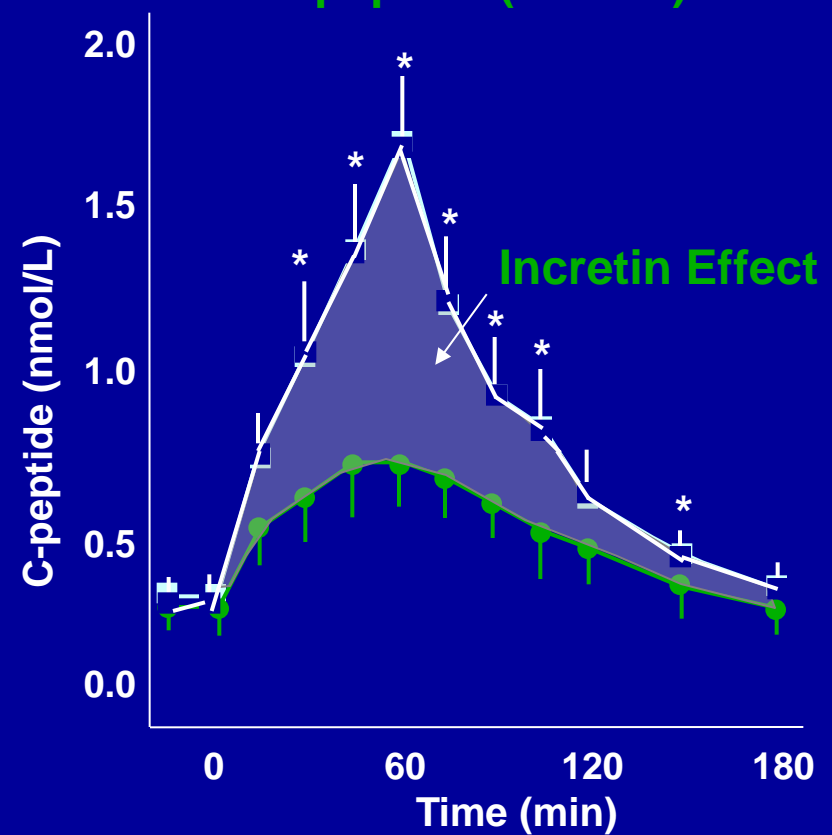
Oral glucose (50 g)

● Isoglycaemic intravenous (IV) glucose

Plasma glucose (mmol/L)



C-peptide (nmol/L)

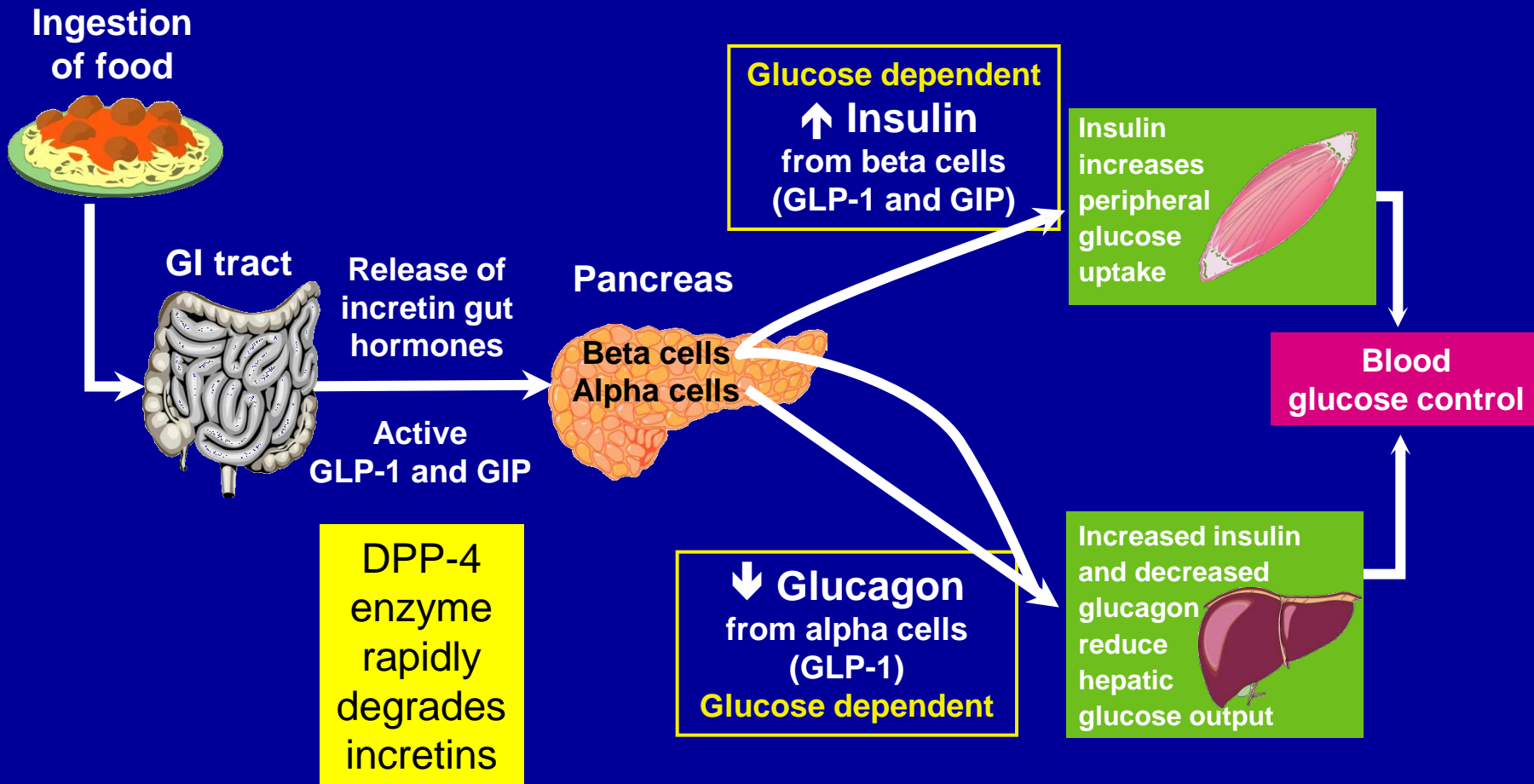


# Incretin hormones ; GLP-1 , GIP

GLP-1	GIP
30 amino acid peptide <sup>1</sup>	42 amino acid peptide <sup>2</sup>
Synthesised and released by L cells of ileum and colon <sup>2</sup>	Synthesised and released from K cells of jejunum and duodenum <sup>2</sup>
Sites of action <sup>1</sup> : Pancreatic $\beta$ -cells and $\alpha$ -cells GI tract CNS Lungs Heart	Sites of action <sup>2</sup> : Pancreatic $\beta$ -cells Adiocytes

<sup>1</sup>Wei Y, et al. *FEBS Lett* 1995;358:219–224; <sup>2</sup>Drucker DJ. *Diabetes Care* 2003;26:2929–2940.

# Incretins and glycaemic control<sup>7,8</sup>



# INCRETIN THERAPY

- Lowers glucose levels
- Weight loss
- Incretin mimetics: Byetta, Victoza, Bydureon
- DPP4 inhibitors e.g. Januvia/sitagliptin

# INCRETIN THERAPY

## VICTOZA PEN



FORXIGA®▼ (dapagliflozin)  
The first SGLT2 inhibitor for the  
treatment of type 2 diabetes



# Normal glucose homeostasis

Net balance ~0 g/day

## Glucose input ~250 g/day:

- Dietary intake ~180 g/day
- Glucose production ~70 g/day
  - Gluconeogenesis
  - Glycogenolysis

## Glucose uptake ~250 g/day:

- Brain ~125 g/day
- Rest of the body ~125 g/day

The kidney filters circulating glucose

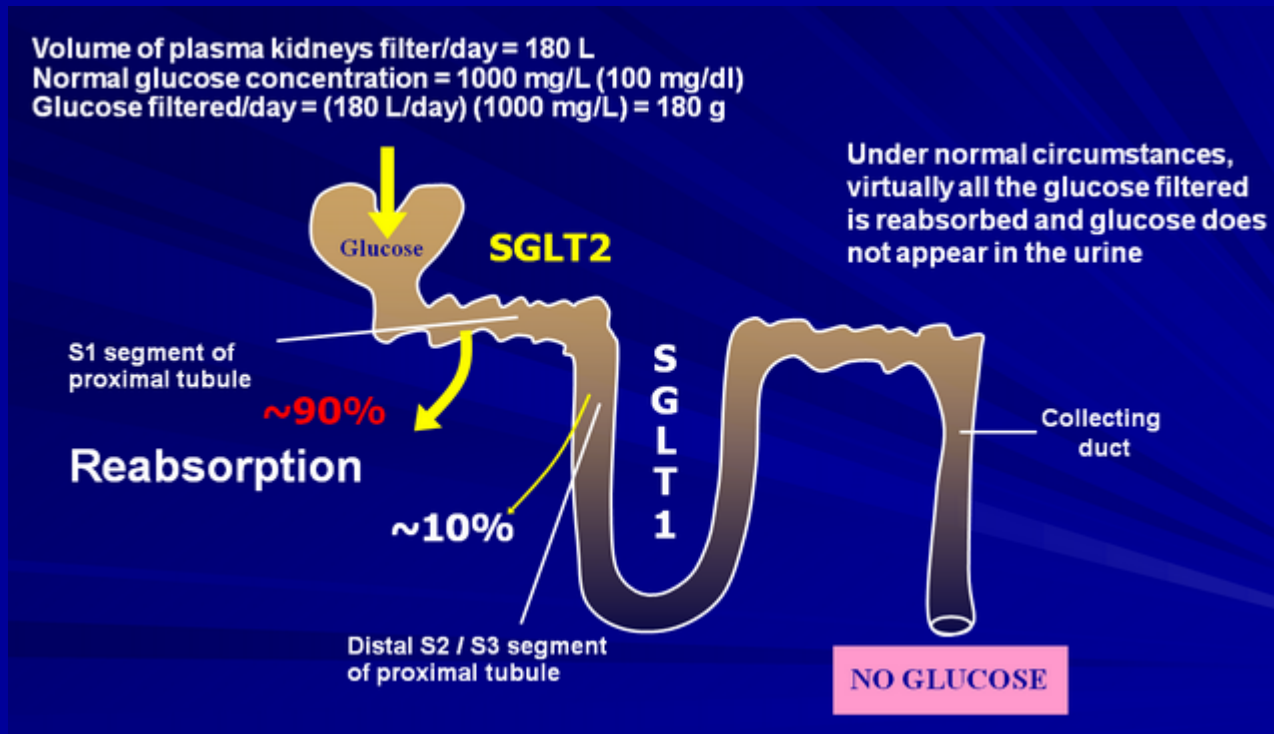
Glucose filtered  
~180 g/day

The kidney reabsorbs and recirculates glucose

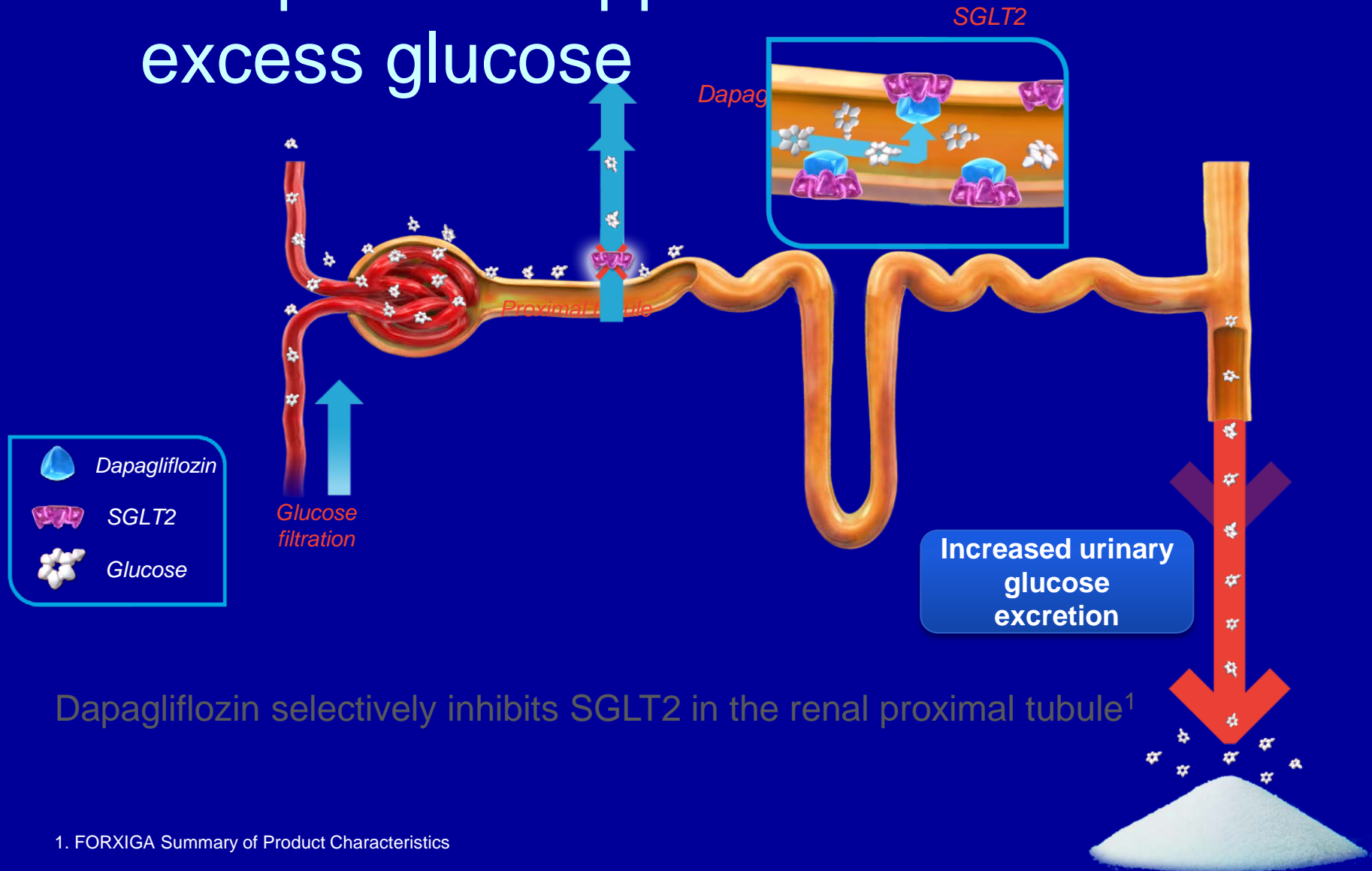
Glucose reabsorbed  
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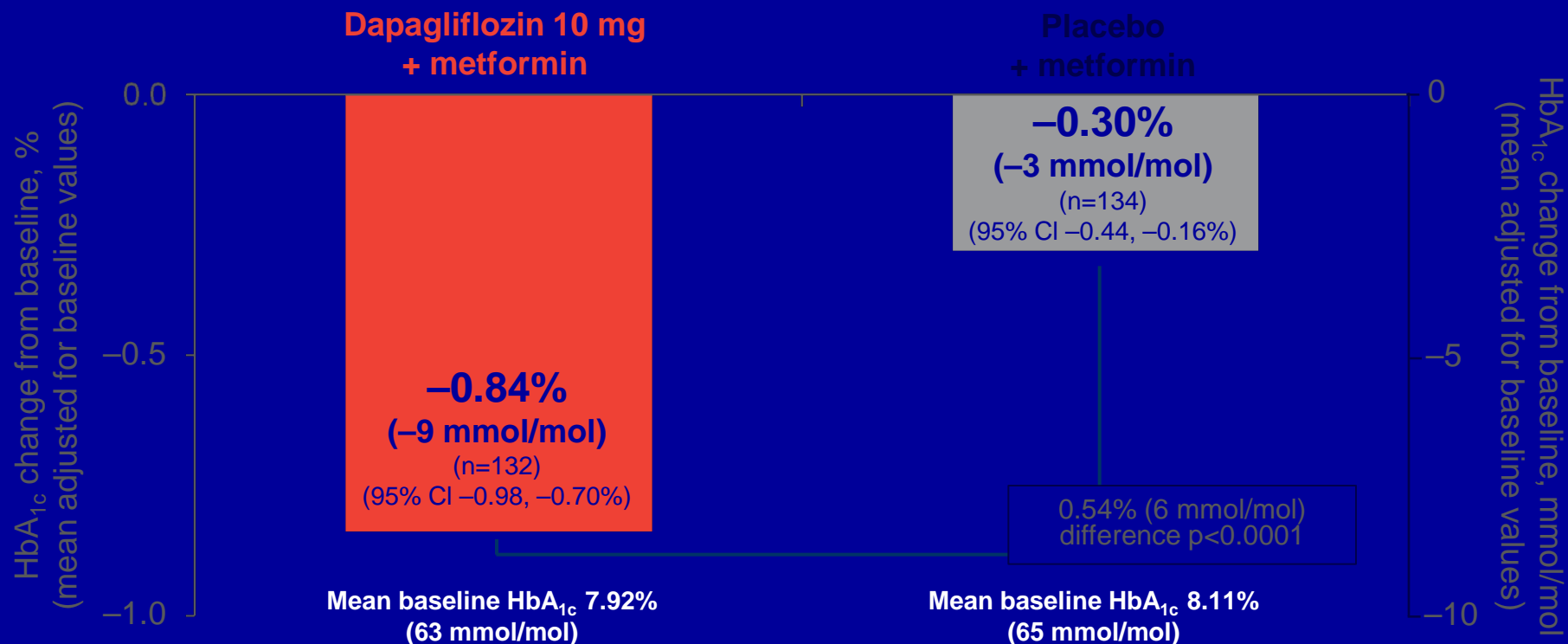
# SGLT sodium-glucose cotransporter blockade



# Dapagliflozin: A novel insulin-independent approach to remove excess glucose



# Dapagliflozin: Significant reductions in HbA<sub>1c</sub> compared with placebo at the 24-week primary endpoint



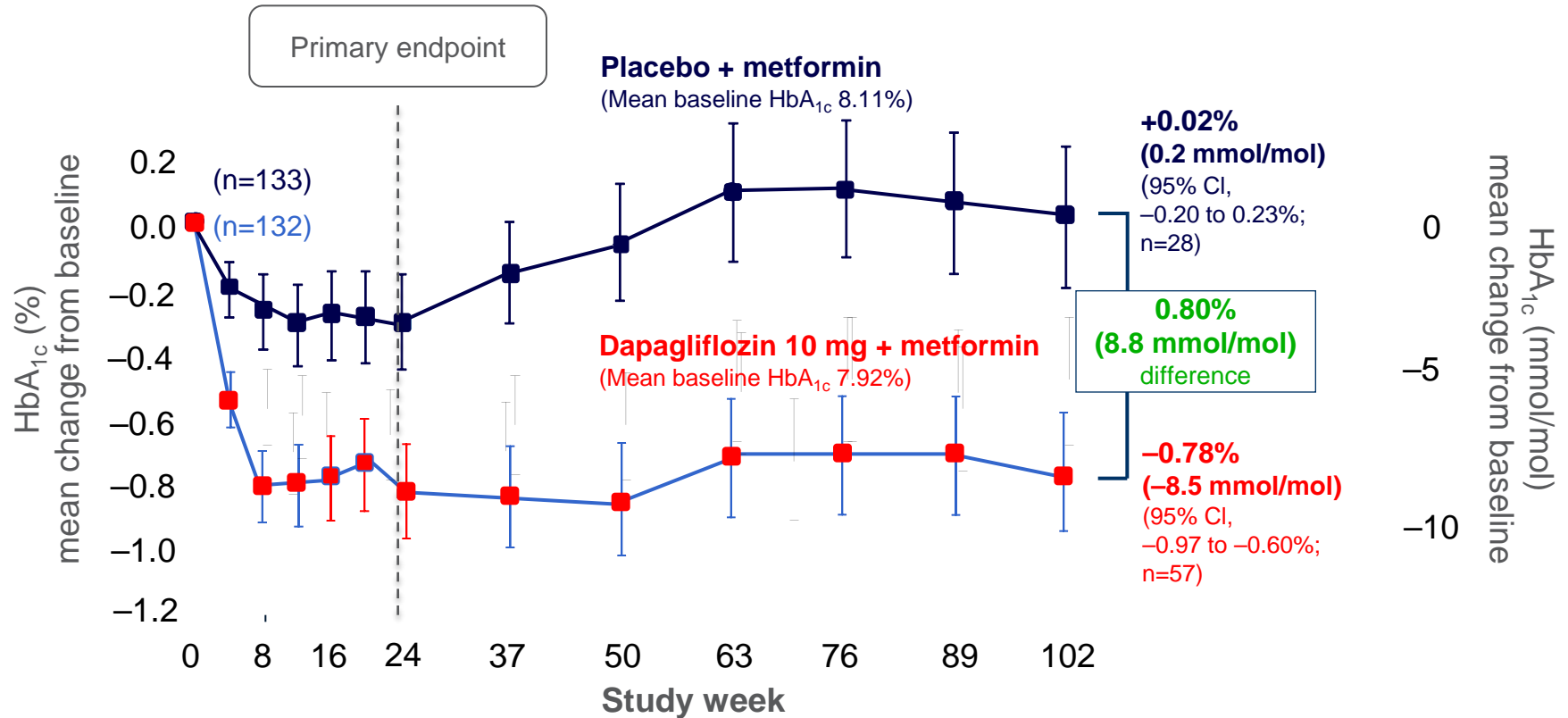
Adapted from Bailey CJ, *et al.* 2010.

Changes reported for Week 24 are adjusted for baseline values and are based on last observation carried forward (LOCF).

A Phase III, multicentre, randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled, parallel-group, 24-week clinical study to evaluate the efficacy and safety of dapagliflozin 10 mg + metformin (≥1500 mg/day) versus placebo + metformin (≥1500 mg/day) in adult patients with Type 2 diabetes who had inadequate glycaemic control (HbA<sub>1c</sub> ≥7% and ≤10%) on metformin alone. Primary endpoint: HbA<sub>1c</sub> reduction at 24 weeks.

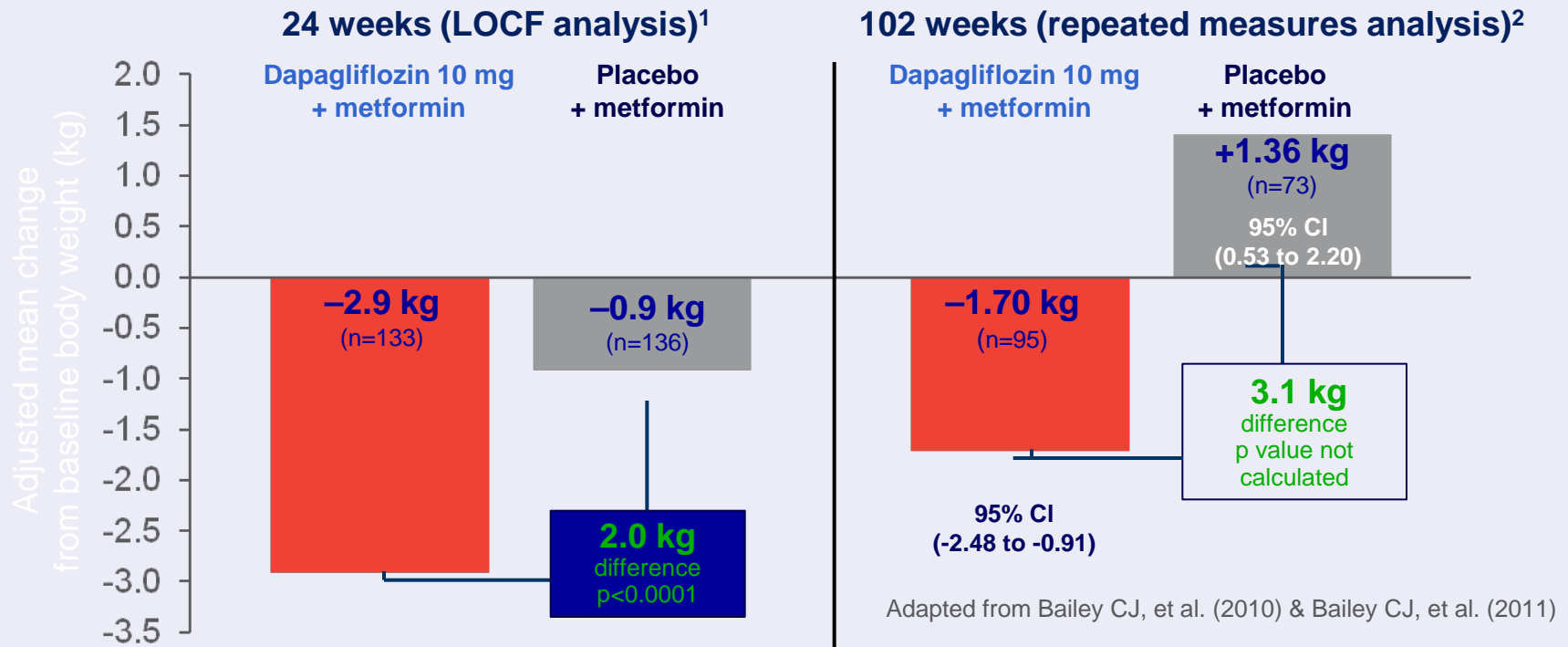
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# Dapagliflozin: Reductions in HbA<sub>1c</sub> were sustained over 102 weeks



CI, confidence interval.

# Dapagliflozin: secondary benefit of weight loss over 102 weeks



- **Weight loss at 24 weeks, with decreased waist circumference is consistent with a reduction of body-fat mass<sup>1</sup>**
- **In a separate study, weight loss was mainly attributable to reduction in body fat mass rather than loss of fluid or lean tissue<sup>3, #</sup>**

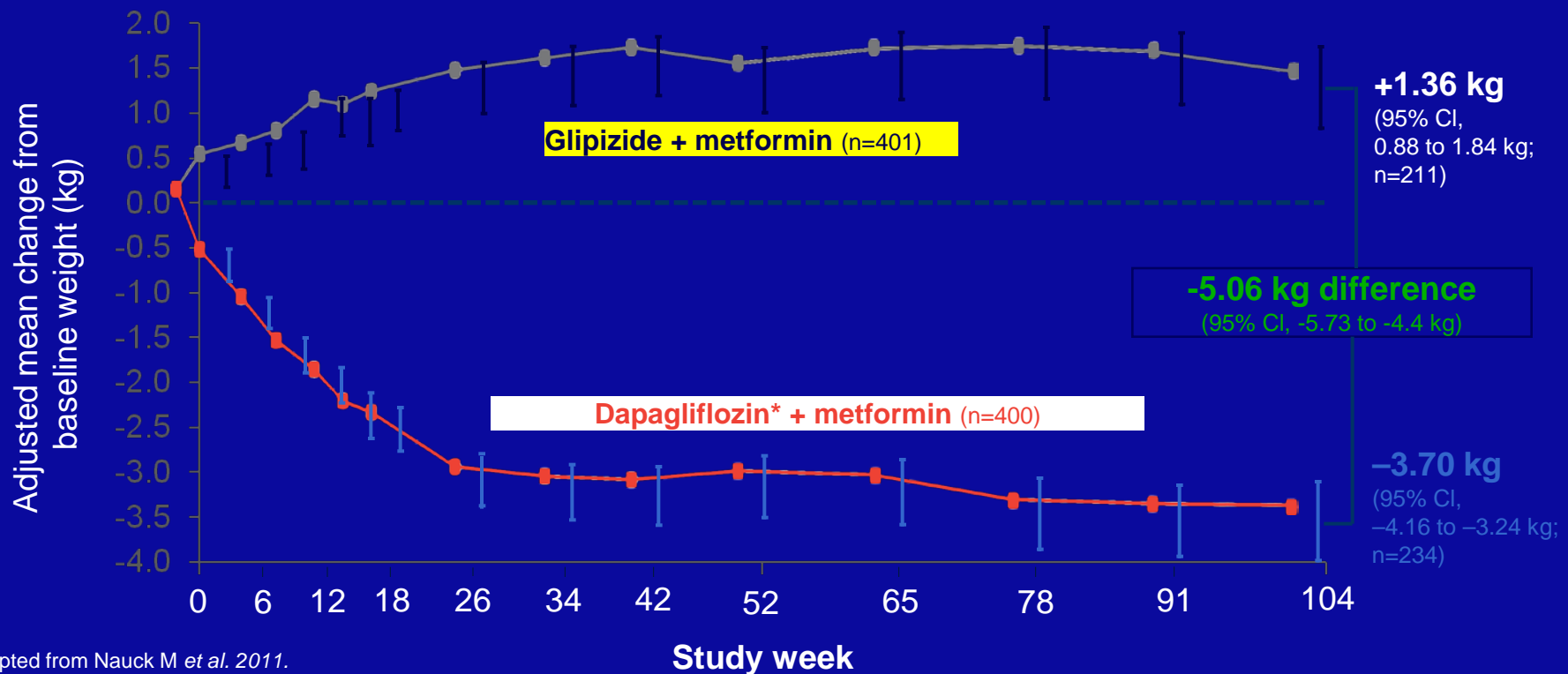
Data are mean change from baseline after adjustment for baseline value (mean baseline weight: dapagliflozin 86.3 kg, placebo 87.7 kg).

24-week data are based on LOCF analysis excluding data after rescue; 102-week data are based on longitudinal repeated measures analysis and include data after rescue.

# As measured by dual energy absorptiometry at 24 weeks

# Dapagliflozin: secondary benefit of weight loss versus a sulphonylurea

Total body weight (kg) adjusted mean change over 2 years<sup>1,2</sup>



Adapted from Nauck M *et al.* 2011.

Data are adjusted mean change from baseline and 95% CI derived from a repeated measures mixed model. This was an exploratory endpoint from a long-term follow-up study. Weight loss in the initial 52 week study was a key secondary endpoint and was measured using LOCF analysis. Results at 52 weeks were -3.22 kg in the dapagliflozin arm (baseline weight 88.4 kg) and +1.44 kg in the SU arm (baseline weight 87.6 kg)  $p < 0.0001$ .

1. Nauck MA, *et al.* *Diabetes Care* 2011;34:2015-22;

2. Nauck M, *et al.* Poster 40-LB. Poster presented 71st Scientific Sessions of the American Diabetes Association, San Diego, California, 24-28 June, 2011.

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Nauck M, *et al.* Presented at: American Diabetes Association (ADA); June 24-28, 2011; San Diego, CA.

# AIMS OF THERAPY

- Control symptoms
- Avoid hyperglycaemia and hypoglycaemia
- Current targets: type 2 diabetes  
HbA1c <53. BP <130/80
- Optimize weight
- Prevent complications



# LIFESTYLE THERAPY

# TREATMENT ADHERENCE

NONE OF THE  
TREATMENT ANY  
OF THE TIME

SOME OF THE  
TREATMENT SOME  
OF THE TIME

ALL OF THE  
TREATMENT ALL  
OF THE TIME



# ERRATIC GLUCOSE CONTROL ON INSULIN

- Treatment adherence?
- Insulin regimen?
- Insulin dose?
- Erratic glucose levels usually reflect erratic insulin adherence

# CATEGORIES OF ILLNESS

- Curable
- Treatable, but incurable
- Untreatable and incurable

# TRANSFER OF CATEGORY

A diabetic patient can **transfer** him/herself from treatable to **untreatable** with adherence issues, eating disorders or alcohol or drug abuse

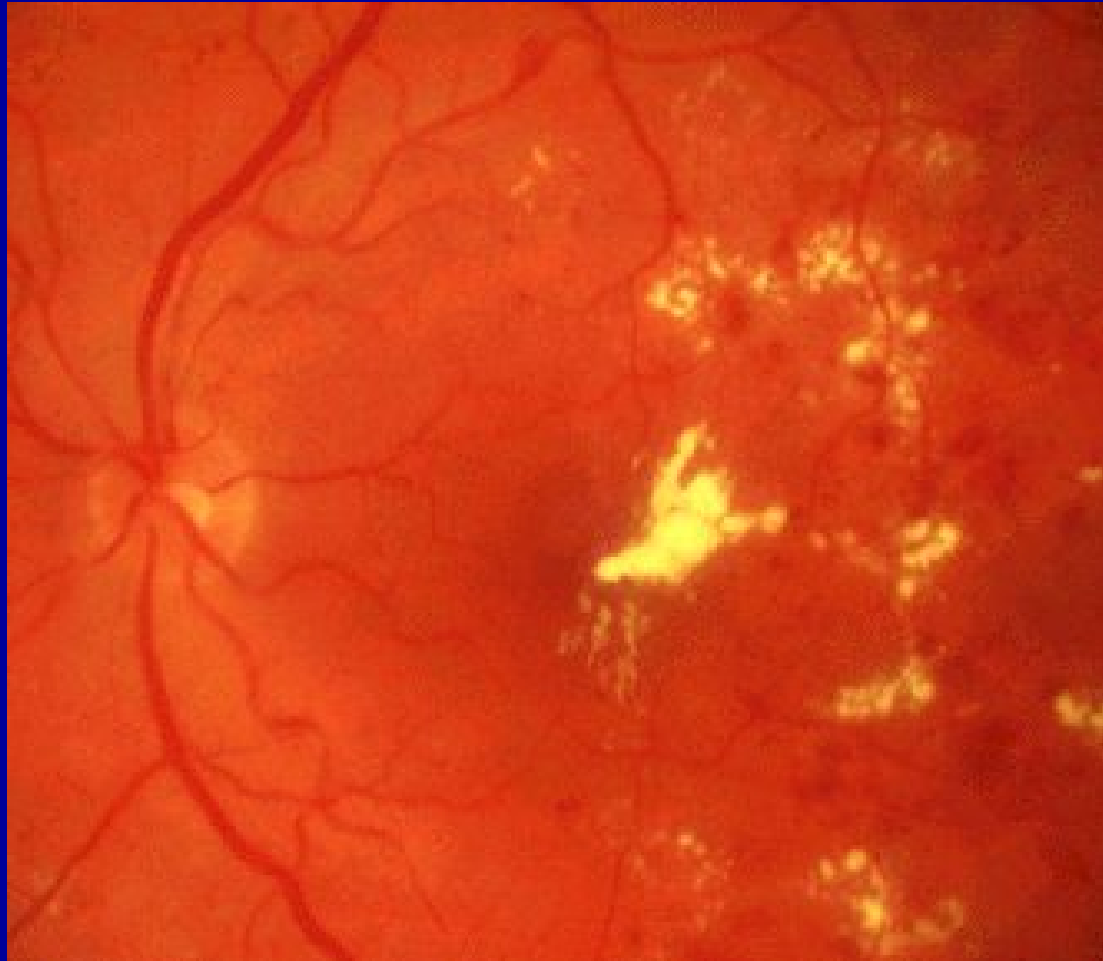
# SCREENING FOR COMPLICATIONS

- Retinal imaging annually
- First pass urine albumin/creatinine ratio annually
- Foot examination for pulses, neuropathy annually

# DIABAETIC COMPLICATIONS

- Retinopathy and blindness
- Renal impairment and failure
- Stroke
- Ischaemic heart disease
- Peripheral vascular disease
- Foot ulceration, infection, amputation
- Neuropathy
- Sexual disorders

# MACULOPATHY

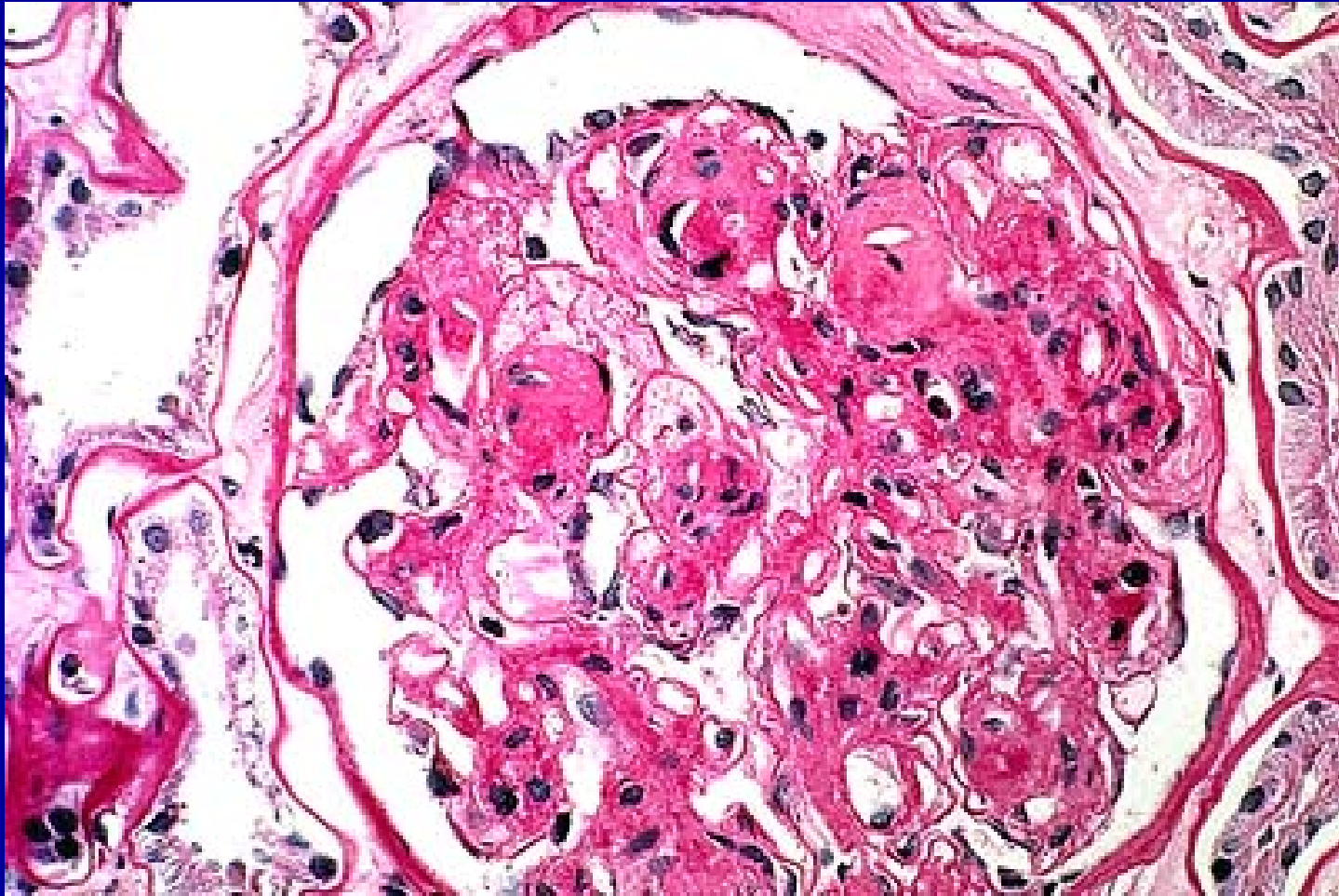




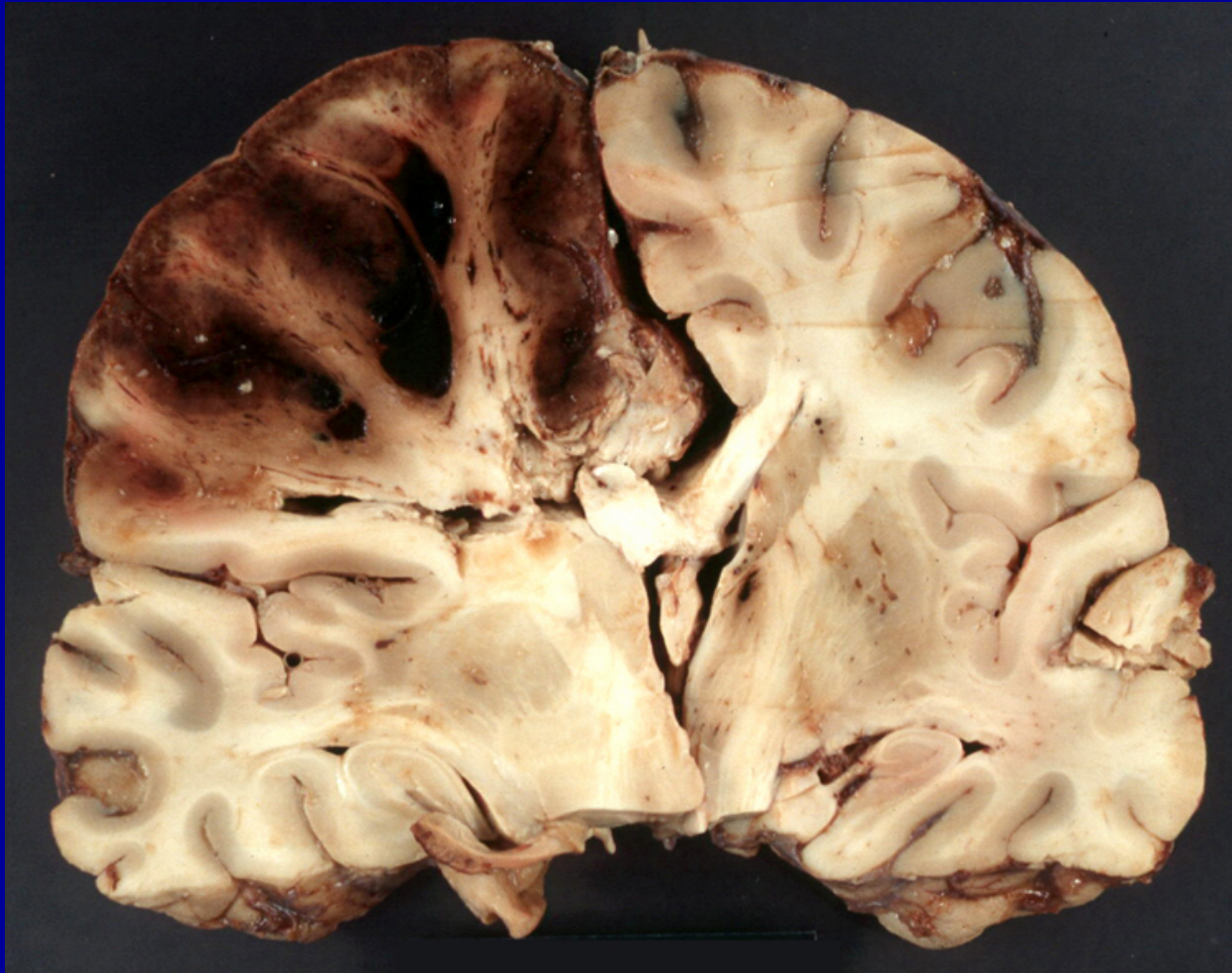
# RETINAL HEAMORRHAGE



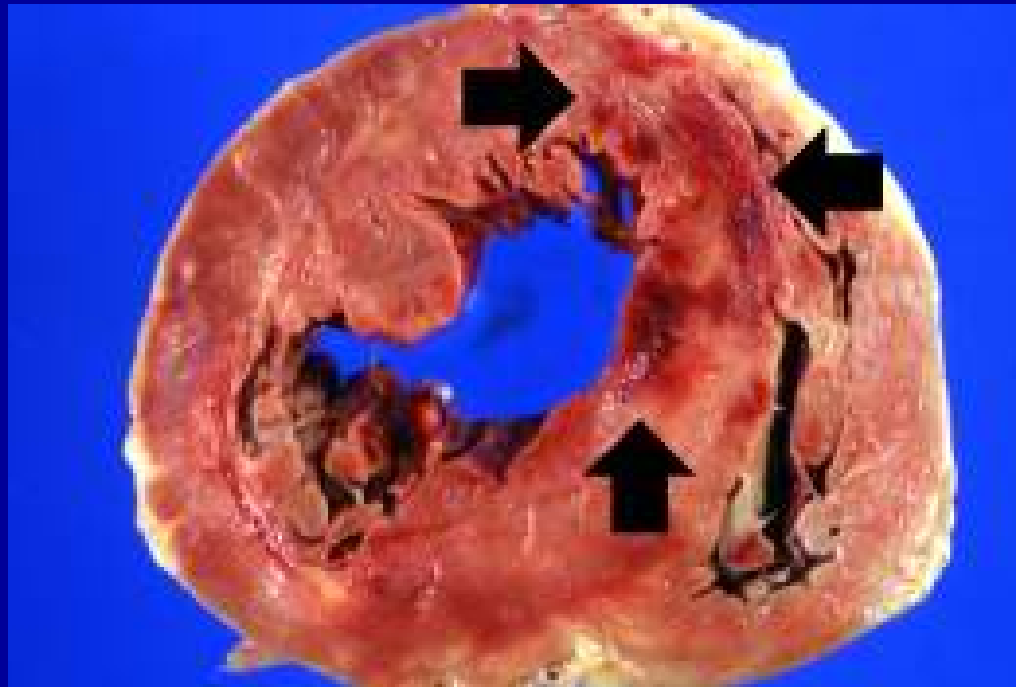
# DIABETIC NEPHROPATHY HISTOLOGY



# CEREBRAL THROMBOSIS



# MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION



# WET GANGRENE



# DIABETIC NEUROPATHY



# WHEN TO REFER

When the aims of treatment  
have not been reached

Diabetic complications

Is this urgent?, uncontrolled  
diabetes, foot infection:

**IMMEDIATE REFERRAL**

# HOW TO REFER

- Referral letter
- Phone if acute  
problem: 'HOT FOOT  
PHONE'



THANK YOU FOR  
YOUR ATTENTION

ANY QUESTIONS  
OR COMMENTS?