

# Pharmacologic Management of Patients with Diabetes in 2022

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## Objectives

- Upon completion of this lecture, the participant will be able to:
  - Discuss the impact of diabetes mellitus in the United States
  - Discuss the non-pharmacologic and pharmacologic treatments for the patient with Type 2 diabetes
  - Compare/contrast pharmacologic options

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## Diabetes

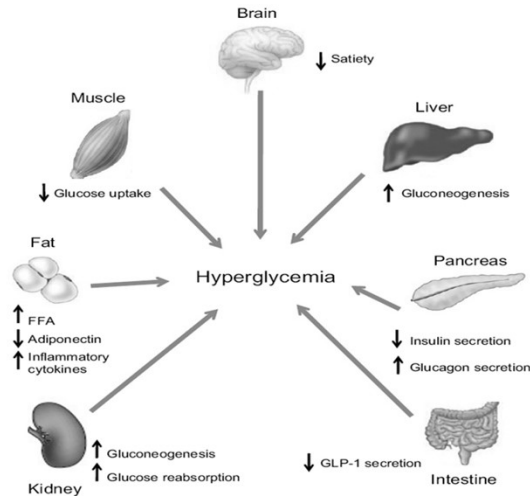
- Group of metabolic diseases characterized by hyperglycemia
- Results from eight defects
  - Decreased insulin secretion
  - Inefficient glucose uptake (skeletal muscle)
  - Increased hepatic glucose production
  - Decreased incretin effect
  - Increased glucagon secretion
  - Increased free fatty acids
  - Neurotransmitter dysfunction
  - Increased glucose resorption

DeFronzo RA. Diabetes. 2009;58:773-795

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## Physiologic Abnormalities



**Figure 1** Multiorgan and tissue pathophysiology of type 2 diabetes.  
**Notes:** Adapted with permission from DeFronzo RA. Banting Lecture. From the triumvirate to the ominous octet: a new paradigm for the treatment of type 2 diabetes mellitus. *Diabetes*. 2009;58:773–795.<sup>4</sup>  
**Abbreviations:** FFA, free fatty acids; GLP-1, glucagon-like peptide-1.

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## Statistics Regarding Prediabetes

- 88 million American adults—approximately 1 in 3—have prediabetes (2018)
- Approximately, 11% of individuals with prediabetes develop type 2 diabetes each year over a 3-year study
- Majority of individuals with prediabetes develop type 2 diabetes within 10 years

<https://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/library/features/diabetes-stat-report.html>  
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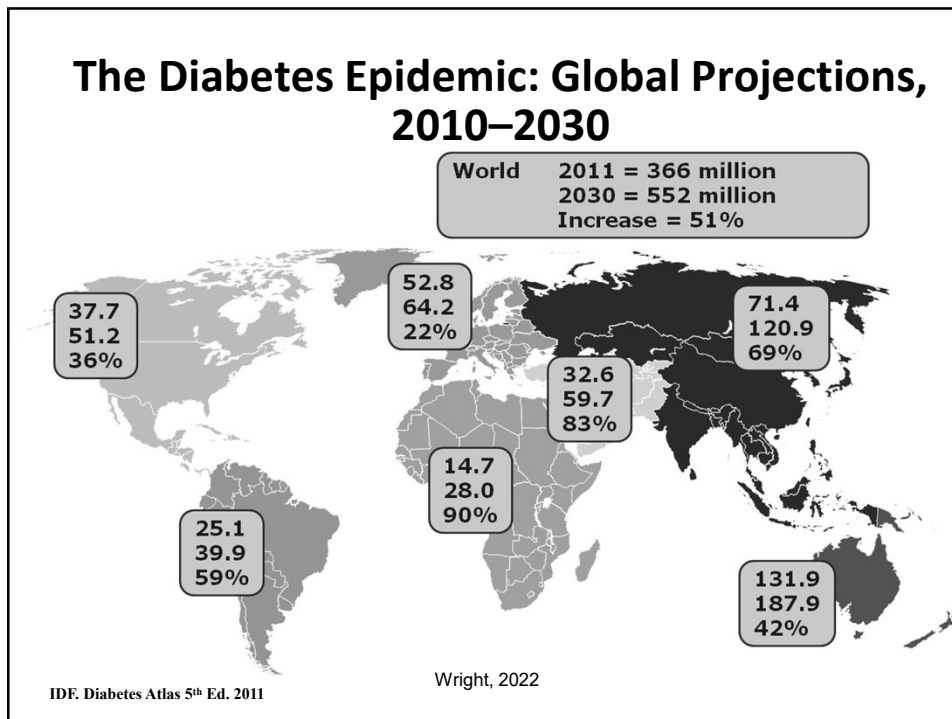
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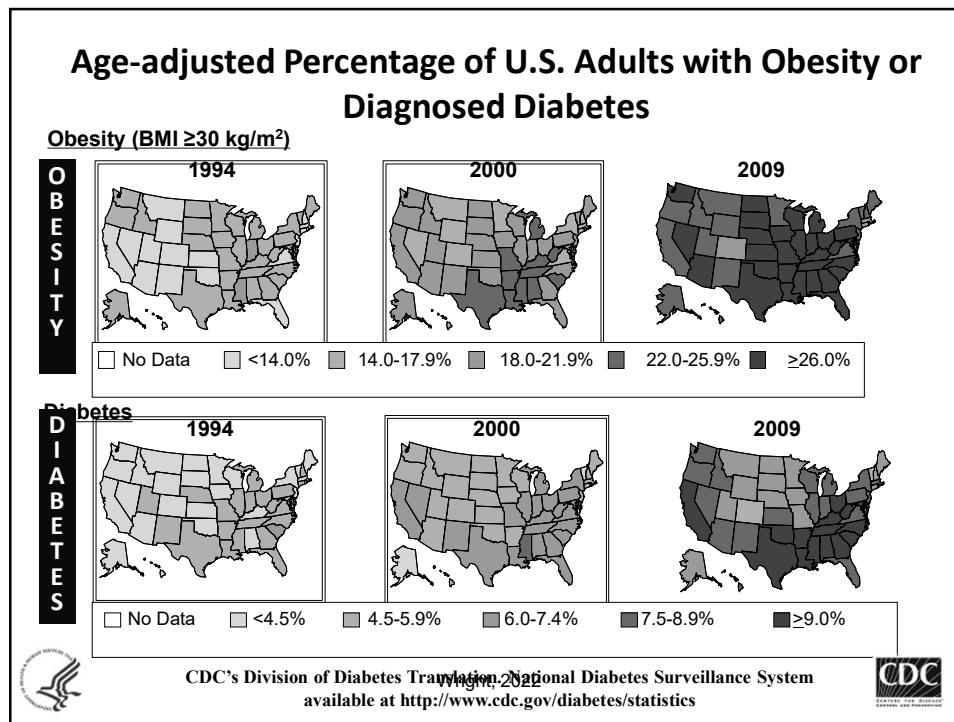
- In 2018, 34.2 million Americans, or 10.5% of the population, had diabetes (1 in 10 people)
- Increasing by 1 million people per year
- Cost: 1 in every 5 dollars spent in the United States is spent on diabetes care/costs
- In 2015, diabetes was the seventh leading cause of death in the U.S

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## Race/Ethnicity

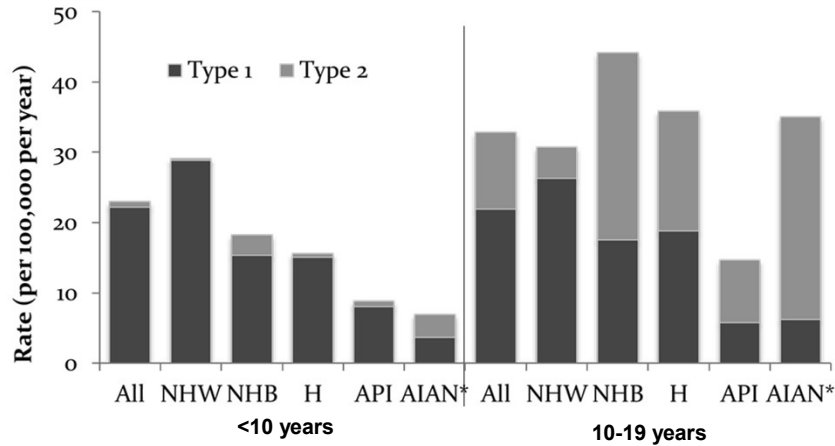
- **Race and ethnic differences in prevalence of diagnosed diabetes**
  - Non-Hispanic whites: 7.4 percent
  - Asian Americans: 8.0 percent
  - Hispanics: 12.1 percent
  - Non-Hispanic blacks: 12.7 percent
  - American Indians and Alaska Natives: 15.1 percent

<https://www.medicalnewstoday.com/articles/318472#Diabetes-and-ethnicity> accessed 01-02-2022

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Q16. How is a comprehensive care plan established in children and adolescents?

### Annual Incidence of DM in Youth



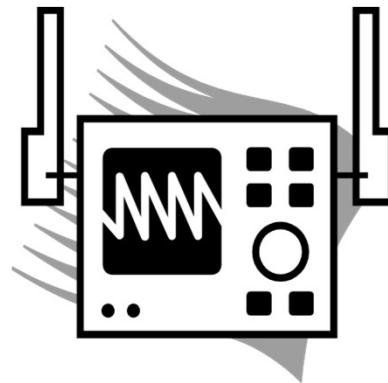
AI = American Indians; API = Asians/Pacific Islanders; DM = diabetes mellitus; H = Hispanics; NHB = non-Hispanic blacks; NHW = non-Hispanic whites.  
 CDC. National diabetes statistics report, 2014. <http://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/pubs/statsreport14/national-diabetes-report-web.pdf>.

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### Diabetes and Cardiovascular Disease

7<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death in the United States

Majority of cardiovascular or cerebrovascular



<https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2017/p0718-diabetes-report.html>  
 accessed 01-03-2019

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## Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes—2022



<https://professional.diabetes.org/content-page/practice-guidelines-resources> accessed 01-10-2022

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## Prediabetes: (Impaired Fasting Glucose or Impaired Glucose Tolerance)

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## Testing for Prediabetes

TABLE 2.3 Criteria for Screening for Diabetes or Prediabetes in Asymptomatic Adults

1. Testing should be considered in adults with overweight or obesity (BMI  $\geq 25$  kg/m<sup>2</sup> or  $\geq 23$  kg/m<sup>2</sup> in Asian Americans) who have one or more of the following risk factors:
  - First-degree relative with diabetes
  - High-risk race/ethnicity (e.g., African American, Latino, Native American, Asian American, Pacific Islander)
  - History of CVD
  - Hypertension ( $\geq 140/90$  mmHg or on therapy for hypertension)
  - HDL cholesterol level  $< 35$  mg/dL (0.90 mmol/L) and/or a triglyceride level  $> 250$  mg/dL (2.82 mmol/L)
  - Women with polycystic ovary syndrome
  - Physical inactivity
  - Other clinical conditions associated with insulin resistance (e.g., severe obesity, acanthosis nigricans)
2. Patients with prediabetes (A1C  $\geq 5.7\%$  [39 mmol/mol], impaired glucose tolerance, or impaired fasting glucose) should be tested yearly.
3. Women who were diagnosed with GDM should have lifelong testing at least every 3 years.
4. For all other patients, testing should begin at age 35 years.
5. If results are normal, testing should be repeated at a minimum of 3-year intervals, with consideration of more frequent testing depending on initial results and risk status.
6. People with HIV

American Diabetes Association; *Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes—2022* Abridged for Primary Care Providers. *Clin Diabetes* 1 January 2022; 40 (1): 10–38.

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## Recommendations: Prediabetes

- Screening for prediabetes with an informal assessment of risk factors or validated tools should be considered in asymptomatic adults
  - Testing should begin at age 35 years of age
  - Consider testing for prediabetes in asymptomatic adults of any age w/ BMI  $\geq 25$  kg/m<sup>2</sup> or  $\geq 23$  kg/m<sup>2</sup> (in Asian Americans) who have 1 or more additional risk factors for diabetes
- If tests are normal, repeat at a minimum of 3-year intervals
- A1C monitoring should be done at least once yearly

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## 2015

- The BMI cut point for screening overweight or obese Asian Americans for prediabetes and type 2 diabetes was changed to 23 kg/m<sup>2</sup> (vs. 25 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) to reflect the evidence that this population is at an increased risk for diabetes at lower BMI.

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### CLASSIFICATION AND DIAGNOSIS OF DIABETES

**Table 2.5—Criteria defining prediabetes\***

FPG 100 mg/dL (5.6 mmol/L) to 125 mg/dL (6.9 mmol/L) (IFG)

OR

2-h PG during 75-g OGTT 140 mg/dL (7.8 mmol/L) to 199 mg/dL (11.0 mmol/L) (IGT)

OR

A1C 5.7–6.4% (39–47 mmol/mol)

FPG, fasting plasma glucose; IFG, impaired fasting glucose; IGT, impaired glucose tolerance; OGTT, oral glucose tolerance test; 2-h PG, 2-h plasma glucose. \*For all three tests, risk is continuous, extending below the lower limit of the range and becoming disproportionately greater at the higher end of the range.

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## Children and Screening

- Begin at 10 years of age in children at risk or at the onset of puberty, if earlier than 10 years
  - Repeat every 3 years, if normal

[www.diabetes.org](http://www.diabetes.org)  
[www.aace.com](http://www.aace.com)

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## What Constitutes a Risk Factor in Children?

- Overweight (BMI > 85th %tile for age and sex, weight for height > 85th %tile, or weight > 120% of ideal for height)
  - **Plus => ONE risk factors**
    - Family history of type 2 diabetes in first- or second-degree relative
    - Race/ethnicity (Native American, African American, Latino, Asian American, Pacific Islander)
    - Signs of, or conditions associated with, insulin resistance including acanthosis nigricans, hypertension, dyslipidemia, polycystic ovary syndrome, small for gestational age at birth history in the child
    - Maternal history of DM or gestational DM

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## CLASSIFICATION AND DIAGNOSIS OF DIABETES

**Table 2.2—Criteria for the diagnosis of diabetes**

FPG  $\geq$ 126 mg/dL (7.0 mmol/L). Fasting is defined as no caloric intake for at least 8 h.\*

OR

2-h PG  $\geq$ 200 mg/dL (11.1 mmol/L) during OGTT. The test should be performed as described by WHO, using a glucose load containing the equivalent of 75 g anhydrous glucose dissolved in water.\*

OR

A1C  $\geq$ 6.5% (48 mmol/mol). The test should be performed in a laboratory using a method that is NGSP certified and standardized to the DCCT assay.\*

OR

In a patient with classic symptoms of hyperglycemia or hyperglycemic crisis, a random plasma glucose  $\geq$ 200 mg/dL (11.1 mmol/L).

DCCT, Diabetes Control and Complications Trial; FPG, fasting plasma glucose; OGTT, oral glucose tolerance test; WHO, World Health Organization; 2-h PG, 2-h plasma glucose. \*In the absence of unequivocal hyperglycemia, diagnosis requires two abnormal test results from the same sample or in two separate test samples.

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## Important to Remember

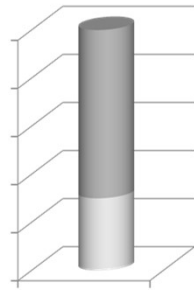
- Postprandial hyperglycemia is a significant contributor to A<sub>1</sub>C levels, particularly at the lower end of A<sub>1</sub>C's
  - For instance:
    - A<sub>1</sub>C of 7.3% to 9.2%: postprandial glucose accounts for 50% of this number
    - A<sub>1</sub>C < 7.3%: postprandial glucose accounts for 70% of this number
    - Take away message – someone with an A<sub>1</sub>C of 6.8% - look very closely at reducing postprandial glucose

Monnier L, Lapinski H, Colette C. Contributions of fasting and postprandial plasma glucose increments to the overall diurnal hyperglycemia of type 2 diabetic patients: Variations with increasing levels of HbA(1c). *Diabetes Care*. 2003;26:881-885.

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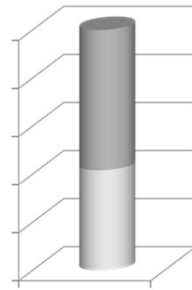
## Treatment of Patient Based on A<sub>1</sub>C

A1C is less than 7.3%



A1C <7.3%

A1C is 7.3% - 9.2%



A1C <7.3%

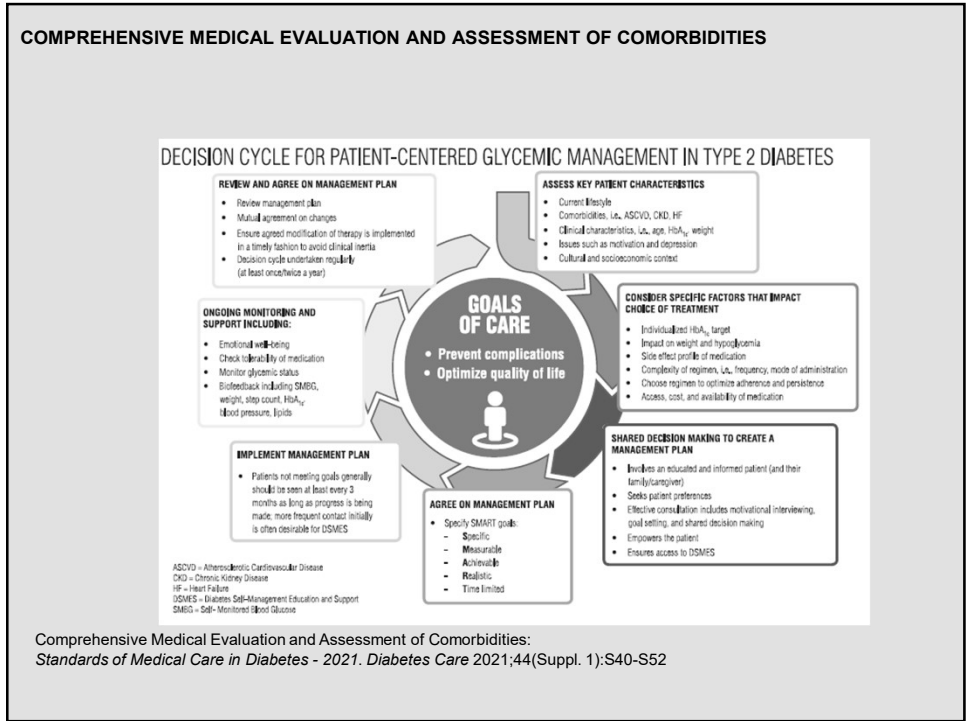
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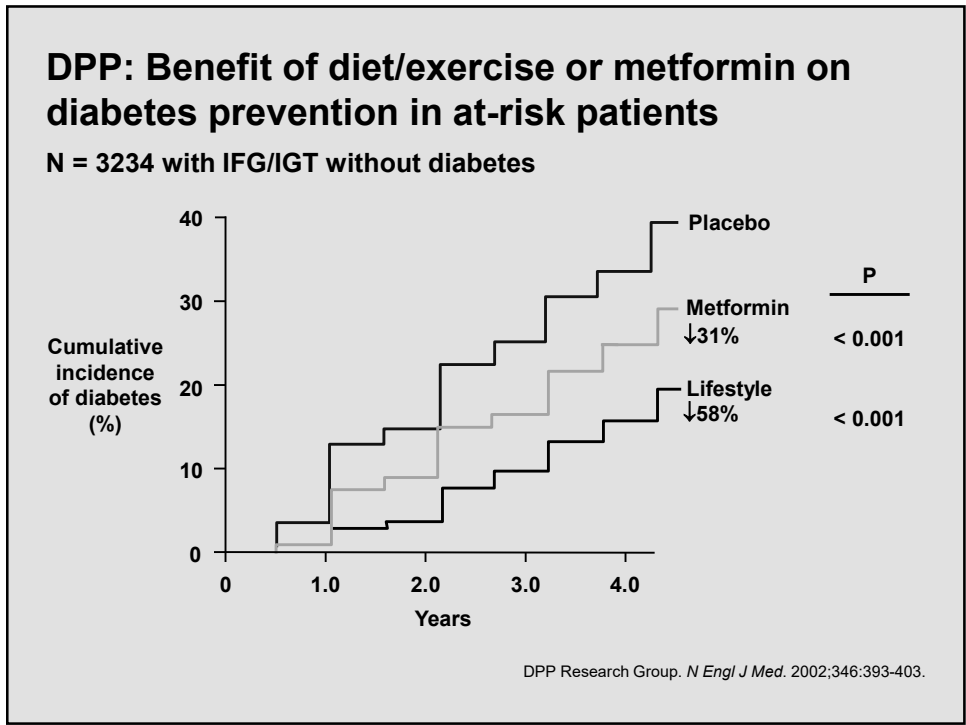
## Multimodal Treatment

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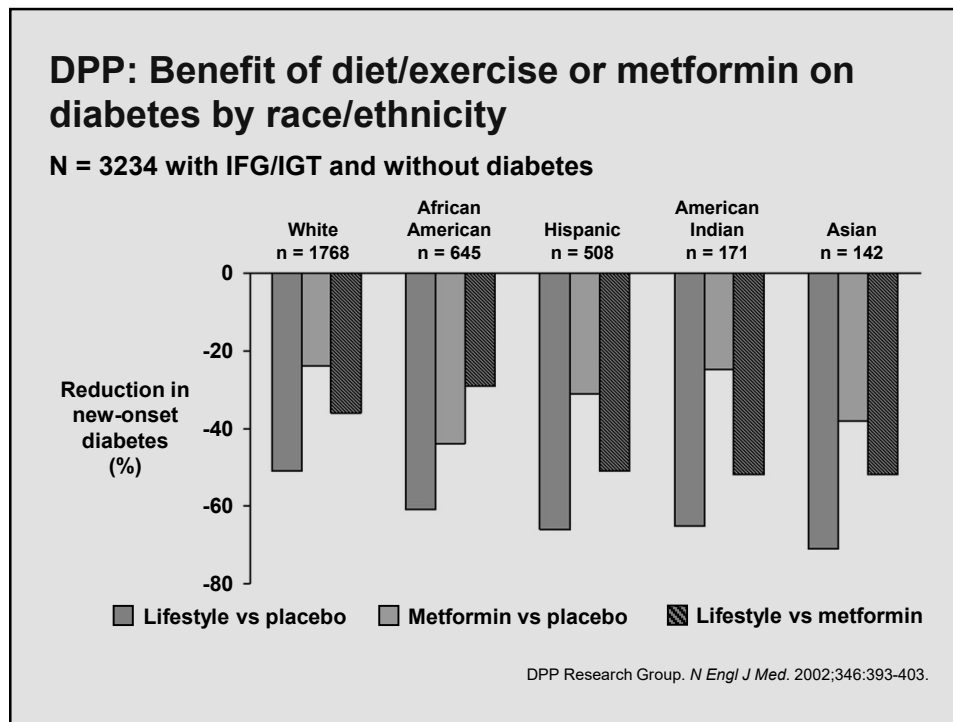
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### Recommendations: Prevention or Delay of T2DM

- Patients with prediabetes should be referred to an intensive diet and physical activity behavioral counseling program adhering to the tenets of the DPP targeting a loss of 7% of body weight, and should increase their moderate physical activity to at least 150 min/week. A

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## Recommendations: Prevention or Delay of T2DM

- Metformin therapy for prevention of type 2 diabetes should be considered in adults with prediabetes, especially those aged 25–59 years with BMI 35 kg/m<sup>2</sup>, higher fasting plasma glucose (e.g., 110 mg/dL), and higher A1C (e.g., 6.0%), and in women with prior GDM.

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## Q2. How is prediabetes managed?

### Medical and Surgical Interventions Shown to Delay or Prevent T2D

Intervention	Follow-up Period	Reduction in Risk of T2D ( <i>P</i> value vs placebo)
<b>Antihyperglycemic agents</b>		
Metformin <sup>1</sup>	2.8 years	31% ( <i>P</i> <0.001)
Acarbose <sup>2</sup>	3.3 years	25% ( <i>P</i> =0.0015)
Pioglitazone <sup>3</sup>	2.4 years	72% ( <i>P</i> <0.001)
Rosiglitazone <sup>4</sup>	3.0 years	60% ( <i>P</i> <0.0001)
<b>Weight loss interventions</b>		
Orlistat <sup>5</sup>	4 years	37% ( <i>P</i> =0.0032)
Phentermine/topiramate <sup>6</sup>	2 years	79% ( <i>P</i> <0.05)
Bariatric surgery <sup>7</sup>	10 years	75% ( <i>P</i> <0.001)

**Lifestyle modification should be used with all pharmacologic or surgical interventions.**

T2D, type 2 diabetes.

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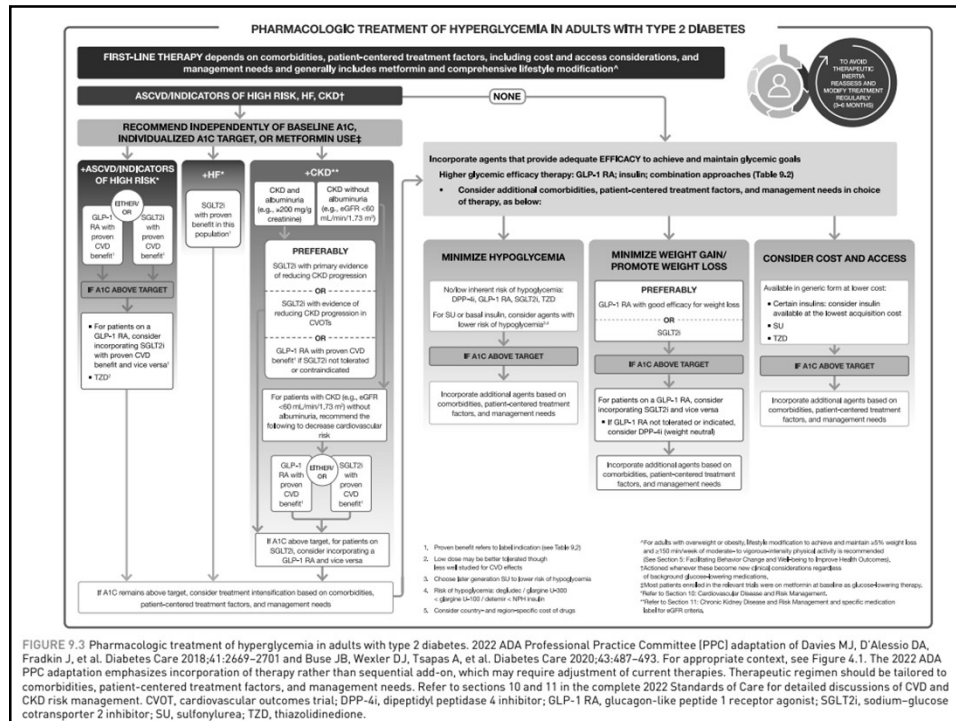
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**Table 9.1—Drug-specific and patient factors to consider when selecting antihyperglycemic treatment in adults with type 2 diabetes**

Drug class	Efficacy	Hypoglycemia	Weight change	Effects			Cost	Onset	Dose	Side effects	Additional considerations
				ACVD	HF	CKD					
<b>Insulins</b>	High	No	Neutral (insulin analogs)	Proven benefit	Neutral	Low	Onset	Onset	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contraindicated with eGFR &lt;30 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contraindicated with other insulin therapy, except</li> <li>• Proven benefit</li> </ul>	
<b>SGLT2 inhibitors</b>	Intermediate	No	Loss	Beneficial (cardiovascular, renal, weight, blood pressure)	Neutral	High	Onset	Onset	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Risk of acute kidney injury, volume depletion, hypotension</li> <li>• Risk of genital mycotic infections</li> <li>• Risk of urinary tract infections</li> <li>• Risk of bone fractures (canagliflozin)</li> <li>• Risk of ketoacidosis</li> <li>• Risk of foot ulcers</li> <li>• Risk of hypotension</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Risk of ketoacidosis (even with normal glucose levels)</li> <li>• Risk of bone fractures (canagliflozin)</li> <li>• Risk of genital mycotic infections</li> <li>• Risk of urinary tract infections</li> <li>• Risk of foot ulcers</li> <li>• Risk of hypotension</li> </ul>	
<b>GLP-1 RA</b>	High	No	Loss	Beneficial (cardiovascular, renal, weight, blood pressure)	Neutral	High	Onset	Onset	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contraindicated with eGFR &lt;30 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup></li> <li>• No data on cardiovascular benefit in patients with CKD</li> <li>• Caution when initiating or increasing dose in patients with history of pancreatitis, gallbladder disease, or cholelithiasis</li> <li>• Risk of pancreatitis (higher risk in patients with gallbladder disease or history of pancreatitis)</li> <li>• Risk of acute kidney injury (increasing dose of therapy)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Risk of pancreatitis (higher risk in patients with gallbladder disease or history of pancreatitis)</li> <li>• Risk of acute kidney injury (increasing dose of therapy)</li> </ul>	
<b>DPP-4 inhibitors</b>	Intermediate	No	Neutral	Proven benefit (cardiovascular)	Neutral	High	Onset	Onset	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Risk of acute kidney injury (increasing dose of therapy)</li> <li>• Risk of hypotension</li> <li>• Risk of acute kidney injury (increasing dose of therapy)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Risk of acute kidney injury (increasing dose of therapy)</li> <li>• Risk of hypotension</li> </ul>	
<b>Thiazolidinediones</b>	High	No	Gain	Proven benefit (cardiovascular)	Increased risk	Low	Onset	Onset	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No dose adjustment required</li> <li>• Contraindicated with heart failure</li> <li>• Contraindicated with liver impairment due to acute liver injury</li> <li>• Risk of heart failure</li> <li>• Risk of liver injury</li> <li>• Risk of bone fractures</li> <li>• Risk of bladder cancer</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Risk of heart failure</li> <li>• Risk of liver injury</li> <li>• Risk of bone fractures</li> <li>• Risk of bladder cancer</li> </ul>	
<b>α-Glucosidase inhibitors (not preferred)</b>	High	No	Gain	Neutral	Neutral	Low	Onset	Onset	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contraindicated with liver impairment due to acute liver injury</li> <li>• Risk of liver injury</li> <li>• Risk of bone fractures</li> <li>• Risk of bladder cancer</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Risk of liver injury</li> <li>• Risk of bone fractures</li> <li>• Risk of bladder cancer</li> </ul>	
<b>Acidic bile acid sequestrants</b>	Intermediate	No	Gain	Neutral	Neutral	Low	Onset	Onset	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lower trade doses (resins or 40% resin)</li> <li>• Risk of liver injury</li> <li>• Risk of bone fractures</li> <li>• Risk of bladder cancer</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Risk of liver injury</li> <li>• Risk of bone fractures</li> <li>• Risk of bladder cancer</li> </ul>	

ACVD, atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease; CV, cardiovascular; CVOT, cardiovascular outcomes trial; DPP-4, dipeptidyl peptidase 4; DKA, diabetic ketoacidosis; DKD, diabetic kidney disease; eGFR, estimated glomerular filtration rate; GI, gastrointestinal; GLP-1 RA, glucagon-like peptide 1 receptor agonists; HF, heart failure; NAFL, nonalcoholic fatty liver disease; SGLT2, sodium-glucose cotransporter 2; SGLT2i, sodium-glucose cotransporter 2 inhibitor; T2D, type 2 diabetes. \*For agent-specific dosing recommendations, please refer to the manufacturers' prescribing information. †FDA-approved for cardiovascular disease benefit. ‡FDA-approved for heart failure indication. §FDA-approved for chronic kidney disease indication.

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**Table 9.2—Median monthly (30-day) AWP and NADAC of maximum approved daily dose of noninsulin glucose-lowering agents in the U.S.**

Class	Component(s)	Dosage strength/product (if applicable)	Median AWP (mo, mean)	Median NADAC (mo, mean)†	Maximum approved daily dose**
Biguanides	• Metformin	850 mg (IR)	\$108 (\$6, \$109)	\$3	2,550 mg
		1,000 mg (IR)	\$87 (\$4, \$88)	\$2	2,000 mg
		1,000 mg (ER)	\$242 (\$242, \$7,214)	\$188 (\$188, \$572)	2,000 mg
Sulfonylureas (2nd generation)	• Glimepiride • Glipizide • Glyburide	4 mg	\$74 (\$71, \$198)	\$4	8 mg
		10 mg (IR)	\$75 (\$67, \$97)	\$5	40 mg (IR)
		10 mg (XL)	\$48	\$11	20 mg (XL)
		6 mg (microtablet)	\$52 (\$48, \$71)	\$30	12 mg (microtablets)
Thiazolidinediones	• Pioglitazone • Rosiglitazone	45 mg	\$348 (\$283, \$348)	\$5	45 mg
		6 mg	\$407	\$30	8 mg
		100 mg	\$106 (\$104, \$106)	\$28	300 mg
			\$41	\$31	300 mg
α-Glucosidase inhibitors	• Acarbose • Miglitol	100 mg	\$93	\$31	300 mg
			\$155	\$31	360 mg
		2 mg	\$878 (\$162, \$897)	\$38	16 mg
			\$234	\$175	25 mg
DPP-4 inhibitors	• Alogliptin • Saxagliptin • Linagliptin • Sitagliptin	5 mg	\$530	\$434	5 mg
		5 mg	\$555	\$444	5 mg
		100 mg	\$568	\$456	100 mg
			\$84	\$284	15 mg
SGLT2 inhibitors	• Ertugliflozin • Dapagliflozin • Empagliflozin • Canagliflozin	15 mg	\$621	\$496	10 mg
		10 mg	\$627	\$501	25 mg
		25 mg	\$627	\$501	25 mg
		300 mg	\$622	\$499	300 mg
GLP-1 RA	• Exenatide (extended release) • Exenatide • Dulaglutide • Semaglutide • Liraglutide • Lixisenatide	2 mg powder for suspension or pen	\$882	\$706	2 mg**
		10 µg pen	\$752	\$720	20 µg
		4.5/0.5 mL pen	\$97	\$706	4.5 mg**
		1 mg pen	\$973	\$779	1 mg**
		14 mg (tablet)	\$927	\$738	14 mg
		18 mg/3 mL pen	\$1,165	\$930	1.8 mg
		300 µg/3 mL pen	\$774	N/A	30 µg
			\$774	N/A	30 µg
Bile acid sequestrant	• Colesevelam	625 mg tabs	\$730 (\$474, \$712)	\$105	3.75 g
		3.75 g suspension	\$804	\$318	3.75 g
Dopamine-2 agonist	• Bromocriptine	0.8 mg	\$960	\$772	4.8 mg
Amlylin mimetic	• Pramlintide	120 µg pen	\$2702	\$2,087	120 µg/injection**

AWP, average wholesale price; DPP-4, dipeptidyl peptidase 4; ER and XL, extended release; GLP-1 RA, glucagon-like peptide 1 receptor agonists; IR, immediate release; mo, maximum; min, minimum; N/A, data not available; NADAC, National Average Drug Acquisition Cost; SGLT2, sodium-glucose cotransporter 2. \*Calculated for 30-day supply (AWP [E2] or NADAC [E3] unit price × number of doses required to provide maximum approved daily dose × 30 days); median AWP or NADAC listed alone when only one product and/or price. †Used to calculate median AWP and NADAC (mo, mean); generic prices used, if available, common daily. \*\*Administered once weekly. ††AWP and NADAC calculated based on 120 mg three times daily.

Median monthly cost of maximum approved daily dose of noninsulin glucose-lowering agents in the U.S.

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Table 9.3—Median cost of insulin products in the U.S. calculated as AWP (62) and NADAC (63) per 1,000 units of specified dosage form/product

Insulins	Compounds	Dosage form/product	Median AWP (mils, max)*	Median NADAC*
Rapid-acting	• Lispro follow-on product	U-100 vial	\$157	\$125
		U-100 prefilled pen	\$202	\$161
		U-100 vial	\$165*	\$132*
	• Lispro	U-100 vial	\$408	\$326
		U-100 cartridges	\$212*	\$170*
		U-200 prefilled pen	\$424	\$339
	• Lispro-asbc	U-100 vial	\$300	N/A
		U-100 prefilled pen	\$424	N/A
		U-200 prefilled pen	\$424	N/A
	• Glulisine	U-100 vial	\$361	\$272
		U-100 prefilled pen	\$439	\$350
	• Aspart	U-100 vial	\$174*	\$139*
		U-100 cartridges	\$215	\$144
		U-100 prefilled pen	\$239*	\$179*
	• Aspart ("faster acting product")	U-100 vial	\$347	\$278
U-100 cartridge		\$430	N/A	
U-100 prefilled pen		\$447	\$356	
• Inhaled insulin	Inhalation cartridges	\$924	\$696	
	U-100 vial	\$165**	\$133**	
Short-acting	• human regular	U-100 vial	\$165**	\$133**
Intermediate-acting	• human NPH	U-100 vial	\$165**	\$133**
		U-100 prefilled pen	\$208	\$167
Concentrated human regular insulin	U-500 vial	\$178	\$143	
	U-500 prefilled pen	\$229	\$183	
Long-acting	• Glargine follow-on product	U-100 prefilled pen	\$190 (118, 261)	\$210
		U-100 vial	\$190 (118, 261)	N/A
	• Glargine	U-100 vial, U-100 prefilled pen	\$360	\$272
		U-300 prefilled pen	\$360	\$272
	• Dabpivir	U-100 vial, U-100 prefilled pen	\$370	\$296
		U-100 vial, U-100 prefilled pen, U-200 prefilled pen	\$407	\$325
Premixed insulin products	• NPH/regular 70/30	U-100 vial	\$165**	\$133**
		U-100 prefilled pen	\$208	\$167
	• Lispro 50/50	U-100 vial	\$342	\$273
		U-100 prefilled pen	\$424	\$338
	• Lispro 75/25	U-100 vial	\$342	\$274
		U-100 prefilled pen	\$212	\$140
	• Aspart 70/30	U-100 vial	\$180	\$144
U-100 prefilled pen		\$224	\$179	
Premixed insulin/GLP-1 RA products	• Glargine/Lixumetamide	100/33 prefilled pen	\$589	\$471
	• Dapaglutin/Liraglutide	100/3.6 prefilled pen	\$874	\$701

AWP, average wholesale price; GLP-1 RA, glucagon-like peptide 1 receptor agonist; N/A, not available; NADAC, National Average Drug Acquisition Cost. \*AWP or NADAC calculated as in Table 9.2. †Generic prices used when available. \*\*AWP and NADAC data presented do not include vials of regular human insulin and NPH available at Walmart for approximately \$25/vial; median listed alone when only one product and/or price.

**Median cost of insulin products in the U.S. calculated as AWP and NADAC per 1,000 units of specified dosage**

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## Biguanides

- **Biguanides decrease hepatic glucose production and increase insulin-mediated peripheral glucose uptake.**
- **Efficacy**
  - Decrease fasting plasma glucose 60-70 mg/dl (3.3-3.9 mmol/L)
- **Other Effects**
  - Diarrhea and abdominal discomfort
  - Lactic acidosis
  - Cause small decrease in LDL cholesterol level and triglycerides
  - No specific effect on blood pressure
  - No weight gain, with possible modest weight loss
  - B12 deficiency
- **Medications in this Class: metformin, metformin hydrochloride extended release**

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## Metformin Updates

- **Metformin is contraindicated in patients with an eGFR below 30 mL/minute**
- **Starting metformin in patients with an eGFR between 30 to 45 mL/minute is not recommended**
- **In patients taking metformin whose eGFR later falls below 45 mL/minute, assess the benefits and risks of continuing treatment**
- **Discontinue metformin at the time of or before an iodinated contrast imaging procedure in patients with an eGFR between 30-60 mL/minute; in patients with a history of liver disease, alcoholism, or heart failure; or in patients who will be administered intra-arterial iodinated contrast.**
- **GFR: 30 – 35 mL/min: maximum dosage 1000 mg daily**

Citation: US Food and Drug Administration. Metformin-containing drugs: Drug safety communication – revised warnings for certain patients with reduced kidney function. *FDA Web site*. April 8, 2016. [www.fda.gov/safety/medwatch/safetyinformation/safetyalertsforhumanmedicalproducts/ucm494829.htm](http://www.fda.gov/safety/medwatch/safetyinformation/safetyalertsforhumanmedicalproducts/ucm494829.htm). Accessed April 11, 2016.

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## Sulfonylureas

- Sulfonylureas increase endogenous insulin secretion
- Efficacy
  - Decrease fasting plasma glucose 60-70 mg/dl (3.3-3.9 mmol/L)
  - Reduce A1C by 1.0-2.0%
- Other Effects
  - Hypoglycemia
  - Weight gain
  - No specific effect on plasma lipids or blood pressure
  - Cost is minimal; one of the least expensive classes of medication
- Medications in this Class:
  - Second generation sulfonylureas: glyburide, glimepiride, glipizide

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## **Thiazolidinediones**

- Thiazolidinediones decrease insulin resistance by making muscle and adipose cells more sensitive to insulin. They also suppress hepatic glucose production.
- Efficacy
  - Decrease fasting plasma glucose ~35-40 mg/dl (1.9-2.2 mmol/L)
  - Reduce A1C ~0.5-1.0%
  - 6 – 12 weeks for maximum effect

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## **Thiazolidinediones**

- Other Effects
  - Weight gain, edema
  - Hypoglycemia (if taken with insulin or agents that stimulate insulin release)
  - Contraindicated in patients with abnormal liver function or CHF
  - Improves HDL cholesterol and plasma triglycerides; usually LDL neutral
- Medications in this Class: pioglitazone, rosiglitazone, troglitazone - taken off market due to liver toxicity

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## GLP-1R Agonists

- GLP-1R Agonists
- Mechanism of action:
  - lowers blood glucose by increasing insulin secretion, suppresses glucagon secretion and slows gastric emptying
  - Because it only has this effect in the presence of elevated blood glucose levels, it does not tend to increase the risk of hypoglycemia on its own

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## GLP-1R Agonists

- Average Efficacy:
  - 0.8% - 1.1% decrease in A1C from baseline
  - Weight loss (1-3 kg)
- Precautions:
  - Pancreatitis
  - Thyroid C-cell carcinomas (medullary thyroid carcinoma)
  - Hypoglycemia
  - Category C
  - Gastroparesis

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## Options

- 6 options
  - Dulaglutide (once weekly)\*CVD;
  - Exenatide (twice daily)
  - Exenatide ER (once weekly)
  - Liraglutide (once daily)\*CVD
  - Lixisenatide (once daily)
  - Semaglutide (once weekly)\*CVD;
  - Semaglutide (oral daily)

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## Recent Studies

- No increased risks of retinopathy when using the GLP-1 receptor agonists

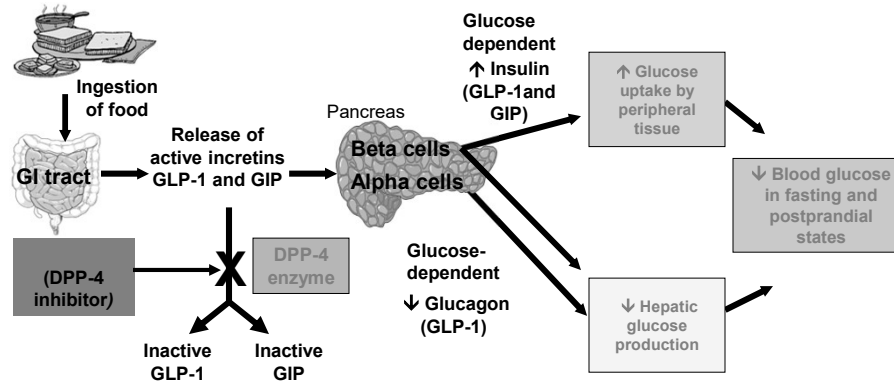
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## DPP-4 Inhibitors

- DPP-4 Inhibitors
- Mechanism of action:
  - Blocks enzyme which breaks down GLP-1 and GIP, allowing these two incretins to:
    - Increase insulin production in response to increased glucose
    - Reduce glucagon production
    - Reduce hepatic glucose production
- Four options:
  - Sitagliptin
  - Saxagliptin\*
  - Linagliptin
  - Alogliptin\*

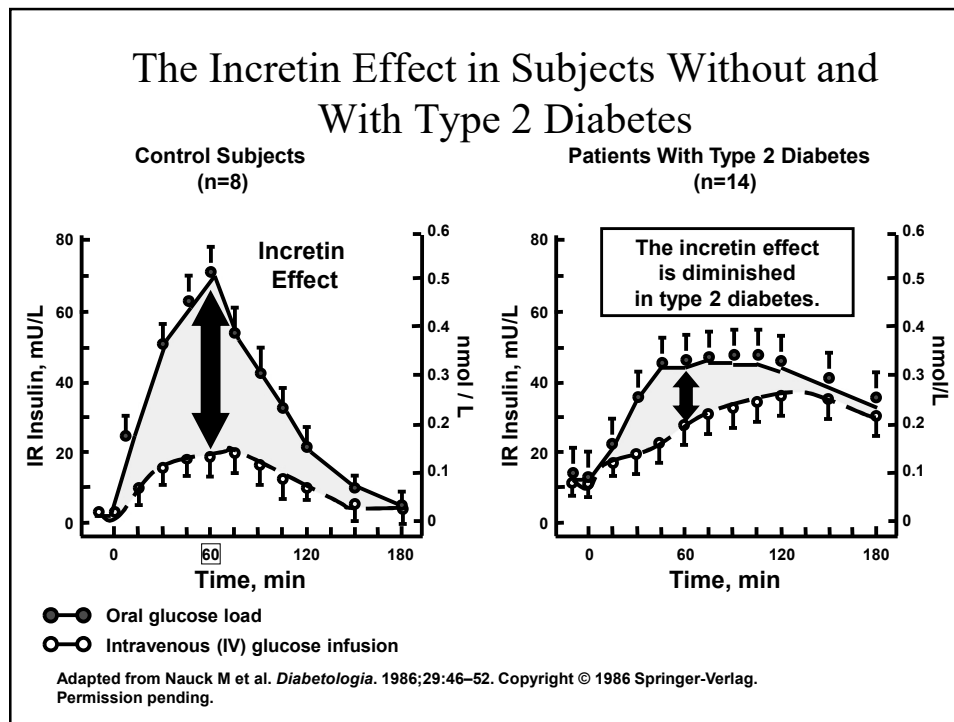
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## Mechanism of Action of DPP-4



- Incretin hormones GLP-1 and GIP are released by the intestine throughout the day, and their levels  $\uparrow$  in response to a meal.

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## DPP-4 Inhibitors

- A1C reduction:
  - 0.5% - 0.8%
  - Best with postprandial blood sugar reduction
- Precautions:
  - Reduce dosage in setting of CKD (except linagliptin)
  - Drug/drug interactions (saxagliptin)

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## Sodium Glucose Co-Transporter 2 Inhibitors

- Mechanism of action
  - Sodium glucose co-transporter 2 (SGLT2) inhibitor for the treatment of patients with type 2 diabetes.
  - The kidneys of people with type 2 diabetes reabsorb greater amounts of glucose back into the body compared to non-diabetic people, which may contribute to elevated glucose levels.
  - Blocks the reabsorption of glucose by the kidney, increasing glucose excretion and lowering blood glucose levels.

<http://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/phase-3-results-show-canagliflozin-as-add-on-therapy-to-metformin-and-pioglitazone-significantly-lowers-blood-sugar-levels-in-adult-patients-with-type-2-diabetes-178048581.html> accessed 12-28-2012

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## SGLT2

- Four options
  - Canagliflozin \*CVD; \*\*CKD
  - Dapagliflozin\*CHF, \*\*CKD
  - Empagliflozin\*CVD, \*\*CHF
  - Ertugliflozin

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## Warnings SGLT2

- Hundreds of cases of DKA reported to FDA
  - Per FDA: “Ketoacidosis is not typically observed in patients with type 2 diabetes, the FDA notes, and the DKA case presentations were "atypical in that glucose levels were only mildly elevated at less than 200 mg/dL in some reports”
- Urosepsis and pyelonephritis
- Lower extremity amputations
- Fournier’s gangrene

<http://www.medscape.com/viewarticle/844754> accessed 05-27-2015

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## Combination Medications

- DPP4 Inhibitors with Biguanide
- DPP4 Inhibitor with TZD
- Glinide with Biguanide
- SGLT2 with Biguanide
- SGLT2 with DPP4 Inhibitor
- Sulfonylurea with Biguanide
- TZD with Biguanide
- TZD with Sulfonylurea

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# Insulins

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## Case Study 2 - John

- Age: 55 years
- A1C: 8.5%
- Weight: 220 pounds
- Medications:
  - Glimepiride 4 mg once daily
  - Sitagliptin/metformin 50/1000 mg 1 pill two times daily
  - Atorvastatin 40 mg 1 tablet daily
  - Aspirin 81 mg once daily
  - Lisinopril/HCTZ 20/25 mg 1 pill once daily

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## Rough Calculation

- How much insulin does someone need?
- Weight in kg/2 = total dose of insulin
  - Of total dose, 50%-60% basal
  - 40% – 50% rapid acting

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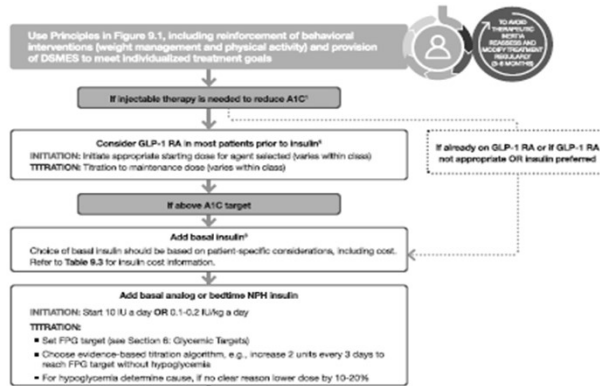
## Introduction of Insulin

Insulin Type	Onset	Peak	Duration
<b>Rapid Acting</b> (Humalog, NovoLog, Apidra, Fiasp, Admelog)	10 – 15 minutes	1 – 2 hours	3 – 5 hours
<b>Short Acting</b> (Regular; Humulin R and Humulin N)	½ - 1 hour	2 – 4 hours	4 – 8 hours
<b>Intermediate Acting</b> (Humulin N or Novolin N)	1-3 hours	4 – 12 hours	10 – 18 hours
<b>Long-Acting Analogues</b> Glargine (Lantus, Basaglar, Toujeo) Detemir (Levemir) Degludec (Tresiba)	2-3 hours 1 hour	None None	24 hours+ Up to 24 hours

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PHARMACOLOGIC APPROACHES TO GLYCEMIC TREATMENT

## Intensifying to injectable therapies (1 of 2)

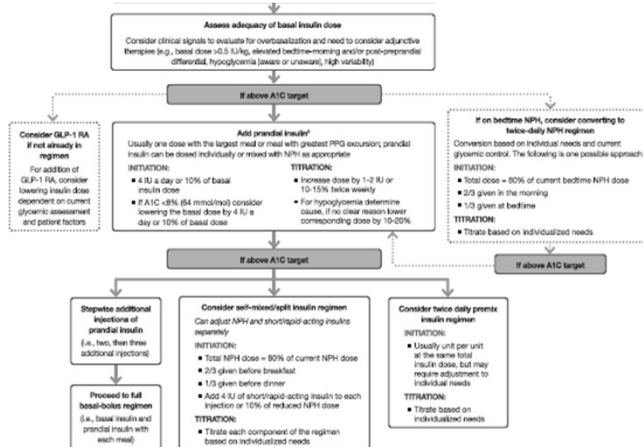


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PHARMACOLOGIC APPROACHES TO GLYCEMIC TREATMENT

## Intensifying to injectable therapies (2 of 2)



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## How to Initiate Insulin on John

- Start with Long-acting at hs
  - 0.2 Units/kg at bedtime
  - 100 kg patient = 220 pounds
  - 0.2 units = 20 units at hs
- Once above 50 units per day, may find two times daily dosing works best
- Rapid acting – can be added immediately or later

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## How to Use NPH/Regular

- Calculate total dosage
- If you must use NPH and Regular insulin due to cost (60/40 am to pm ratio)
  - Morning dosage
    - $TDD \times 0.4 = \text{am NPH dosage}$
    - $TDD \times 0.2 = \text{am Regular dosage}$
  - PM dosage
    - $TDD \times 0.2 = \text{pm NPH dosage}$
    - $TDD \times 0.2 = \text{pm Regular dosage}$

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## Insulin/Carb Ratio

- 1 unit of rapid acting insulin covers 10 – 20 units of carbohydrates
- 1 unit of insulin lowers glucose about 50 mg/dL
- How do you figure what ratio to use?
- One method:

Weight (lbs)	Approx. I:C Ratio
<60	1:30
60-80	1:25
81-100	1:20
101-120	1:18
121-140	1:15
141-170	1:12
171-200	1:10
201-230	1:8
231-270	1:6
>270	1:5

<http://integrateddiabetes.com/Articles/insu/carb%20ratio%20article%20for%20mendoza.pdf> accessed 01-03-2019

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## Self-Monitoring Advice

- 2013 guidelines have modified these recommendations
  - Individualize recommendations
  - Those on intensive insulin therapy should:
    - Test at least before meals, occasionally after eating, at bedtime, before exercise or critical tasks such as driving, when low blood glucose is suspected, and after treating low blood glucose to ensure normoglycemia has been reached

*Diabetes Care.* 2013;36:S1-S110, e1-e4

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## Glucose Monitoring: Recommendations

- Most patients using intensive insulin regimens (multiple-dose insulin or insulin pump therapy) should perform SMBG: B
  - Prior to meals and snacks
  - At bedtime
  - Occasionally postprandially
  - Prior to exercise
  - When they suspect low blood glucose
  - After treating low blood glucose until they are normoglycemic
  - Prior to critical tasks such as driving

Glycemic Targets:  
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## A1C Testing: Recommendations

- Perform the A1C test *at least* two times a year in patients who are meeting treatment goals (and who have stable glycemic control). E
- Perform the A1C test quarterly in patients whose therapy has changed or who are not meeting glycemic goals. E
- Point-of-care testing for A1C provides the opportunity for more timely treatment changes. E

[https://care.diabetesjournals.org/content/diacare/suppl/2020/12/09/44.Supplement\\_1.DC1/DC\\_44\\_S1\\_final\\_copyright\\_stamped.pdf](https://care.diabetesjournals.org/content/diacare/suppl/2020/12/09/44.Supplement_1.DC1/DC_44_S1_final_copyright_stamped.pdf) accessed 02-06-2021

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**ADA-EASD Position Statement: Management of Hyperglycemia in T2DM**

### 3. ANTI-HYPERGLYCEMIC THERAPY

- **Glycemic targets**
  - **HbA1c < 7.0%** (mean PG ~150-160 mg/dl [8.3-8.9 mmol/l])
  - Pre-prandial PG <130 mg/dl (7.2 mmol/l)
  - Post-prandial PG <180 mg/dl (10.0 mmol/l)
  - **Individualization** is key:
    - Tighter targets (6.0 - 6.5%) - younger, healthier
    - Looser targets (7.5 - 8.0%<sup>+</sup>) - older, comorbidities, hypoglycemia prone, etc.
  - Avoidance of hypoglycemia

PG = plasma glucose

*Diabetes Care, Diabetologia. 19 April 2012 [Epub ahead of print]*

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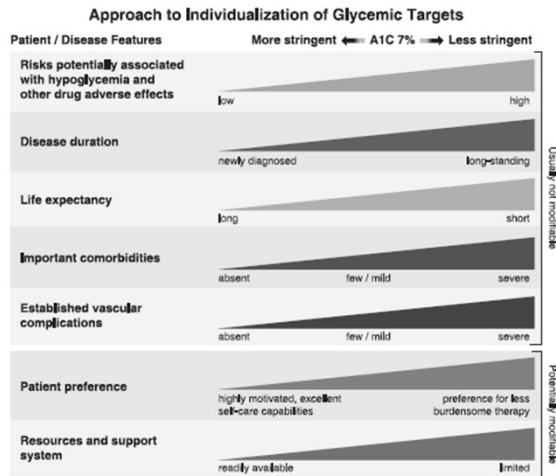
## Goals for A1C

- More stringent HbA1c targets (e.g., 6.0– 6.5%) might be considered in select patients
  - Short disease duration, long life expectancy, no significant CVD if this can be achieved without significant hypoglycemia
- Conversely, less stringent HbA1c goals e.g., 7.5–8.0% or even slightly higher are appropriate for patients with a history of severe hypoglycemia, limited life expectancy, advanced complications, extensive comorbid conditions and those in whom the target is difficult to attain

[http://professional.diabetes.org/admin/UserFiles/Position%20Statement%20ADA\\_EASD\\_2012.full.pdf](http://professional.diabetes.org/admin/UserFiles/Position%20Statement%20ADA_EASD_2012.full.pdf) accessed 12-30-2012

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**GLYCEMIC TARGETS**



Glycemic Targets:  
Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes - 2021. Diabetes Care 2021;44(Suppl. 1):S73-S84

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## Glycemic Recommendations for Nonpregnant Adults with Diabetes

<b>A1C</b>	<b>&lt;7.0%*</b> ( <b>&lt;53 mmol/mol</b> )
<b>Preprandial capillary plasma glucose</b>	<b>80–130 mg/dL*</b> ( <b>4.4–7.2 mmol/L</b> )
<b>Peak postprandial capillary plasma glucose†</b>	<b>&lt;180 mg/dL*</b> ( <b>&lt;10.0 mmol/L</b> )

\* Goals should be individualized.

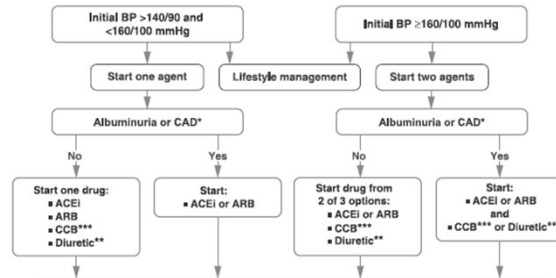
† Postprandial glucose measurements should be made 1–2 hours after the beginning of the meal.

American Diabetes Association Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes.  
Glycemic targets. Diabetes Care 2017; 40 (Suppl. 1): S48-S56

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**CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE AND RISK MANAGEMENT**

**Recommendations for the Treatment of Confirmed Hypertension in People With Diabetes**

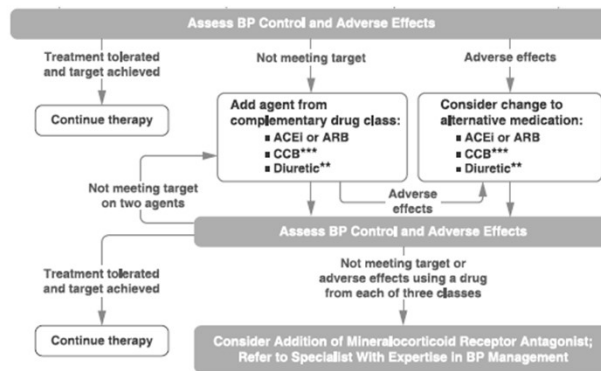


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**CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE AND RISK MANAGEMENT**



**Recommendations for the Treatment of Confirmed Hypertension in People with Diabetes (2 of 2)**

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## BP Thresholds for and Goals of Pharmacological Therapy in Patients With Hypertension According to Clinical Conditions

Clinical Condition(s)	BP Threshold, mm Hg	BP Goal, mm Hg
<b>General</b>		
Clinical CVD or 10-year ASCVD risk $\geq 10\%$	$\geq 130/80$	$< 130/80$
No clinical CVD and 10-year ASCVD risk $< 10\%$	$\geq 140/90$	$< 130/80$
Older persons ( $\geq 65$ years of age; noninstitutionalized, ambulatory, community-living adults)	$\geq 130$ (SBP)	$< 130$ (SBP)
<b>Specific comorbidities</b>		
Diabetes mellitus	$\geq 130/80$	$< 130/80$
Chronic kidney disease	$\geq 130/80$	$< 130/80$
Chronic kidney disease after renal transplantation	$\geq 130/80$	$< 130/80$
Heart failure	$\geq 130/80$	$< 130/80$
Stable ischemic heart disease	$\geq 130/80$	$< 130/80$
Secondary stroke prevention	$\geq 140/90$	$< 130/80$
Secondary stroke prevention (lacunar)	$\geq 130/80$	$< 130/80$
Peripheral arterial disease	$\geq 130/80$	$< 130/80$

ASCVD indicates atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease; BP, blood pressure; CVD, cardiovascular disease; and SBP, systolic blood pressure.

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### CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE AND RISK MANAGEMENT

## Statin Treatment—Primary Prevention

- 10.19 For patients with diabetes aged 40–75 years without atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease, use moderate-intensity statin therapy in addition to lifestyle therapy. A
- 10.20 For patients with diabetes aged 20–39 years with additional atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease risk factors, it may be reasonable to initiate statin therapy in addition to lifestyle therapy. C
- 10.21 In patients with diabetes at higher risk, especially those with multiple atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease risk factors or aged 50–70 years, it is reasonable to use high-intensity statin therapy. B
- 10.22 In adults with diabetes and 10-year ASCVD risk of 20% or higher, it may be reasonable to add ezetimibe to maximally tolerated statin therapy to reduce LDL cholesterol levels by 50% or more. C

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## Recommendations: Antiplatelet Agents

- Aspirin therapy (75–162 mg/day) may be considered as a primary prevention strategy in those with diabetes who are at increased cardiovascular risk, after a comprehensive discussion with the patient on the benefits versus the comparable increased risk of bleeding

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## Immunization: Recommendations

- Provide routinely recommended vaccinations for children and adults with diabetes by age. C
- Annual vaccination against influenza is recommended for all people  $\geq 6$  months of age, including those with diabetes. C
- Administer 3-dose series of hepatitis B vaccine to unvaccinated adults with diabetes aged 19-59 years. C
- Consider administering 3-dose hepatitis B vaccine to unvaccinated adults with diabetes ages  $\geq 60$  years. C

Comprehensive Medical Evaluation and Assessment of Comorbidities:  
*Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes - 2018. Diabetes Care* 2018; 41 (Suppl. 1): S28-S37

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## Immunization: Recommendations (2)

- Vaccination against pneumococcal disease, including pneumococcal pneumonia, with 13-valent pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV13) is recommended for children before age 2 years.
- People with diabetes ages 2-64 years should also receive 23-valent pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine (PPSV23).
- At age  $\geq 65$  years, regardless of vaccination history, additional PPSV23 vaccination is necessary. C

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## Covid Vaccine

- Two dose series plus booster shot are important to those with diabetes

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## Let's Summarize

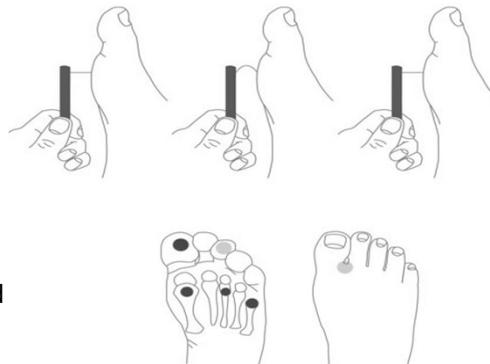
- A: A1C, aspirin (if appropriate)
- B: blood pressure control
- C: cholesterol management, Lipid annually, creatinine, GFR, urine microalbumin
- D: diet
- E: dilated eye examination yearly
- F: monofilament and vibratory/position sense, ankle reflex (or similar) annually
- G: goals reviewed at every visit
- I: immunizations

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## Foot Care: Recommendations (5)

- To perform the 10-g monofilament test, place the device perpendicular to the skin; Apply pressure until monofilament buckles.
- Hold in place for 1 second & release.
- The monofilament test should be performed at the highlighted sites while the patient's eyes are closed.



Boulton A, Armstrong D, Albert, S et. al. Comprehensive Foot Examination and Risk Assessment. Diabetes Care. 2008; 31: 1679-1685  
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