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Diabetic kidney disease and Cardiovascular outcomes

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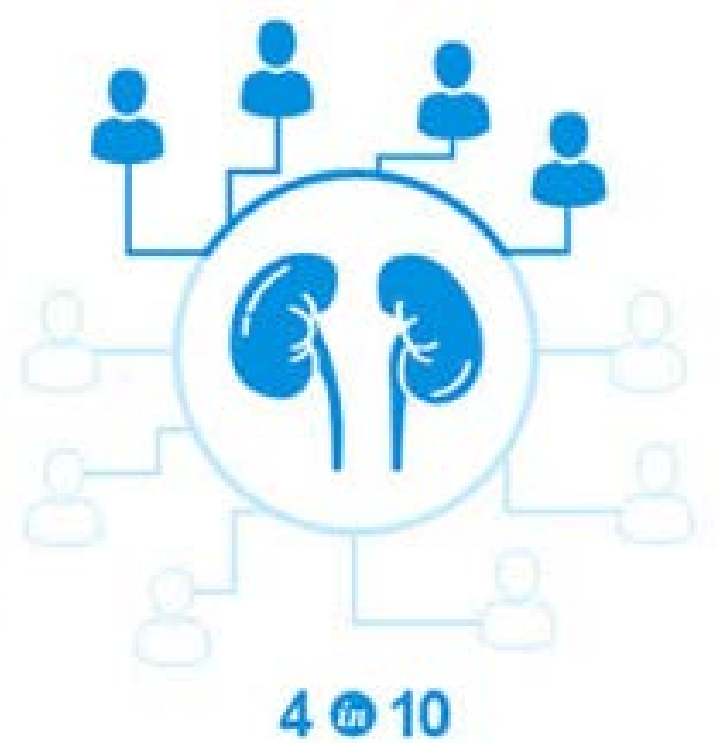
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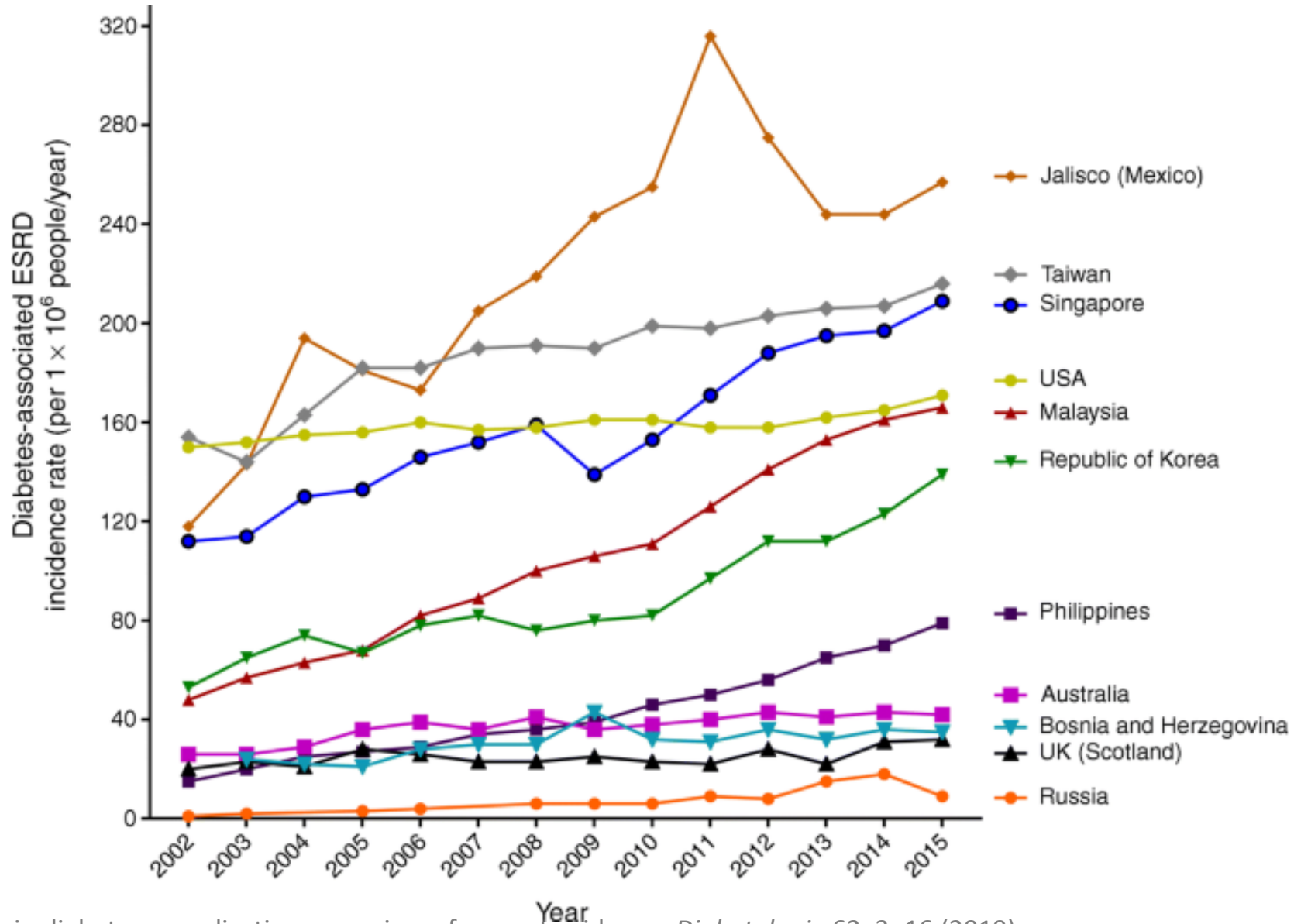
Diabetic kidney disease (DKD)

- A common microvascular complication in DM
- The main cause of CKD and ESRD
- A major cause of mortality and morbidity

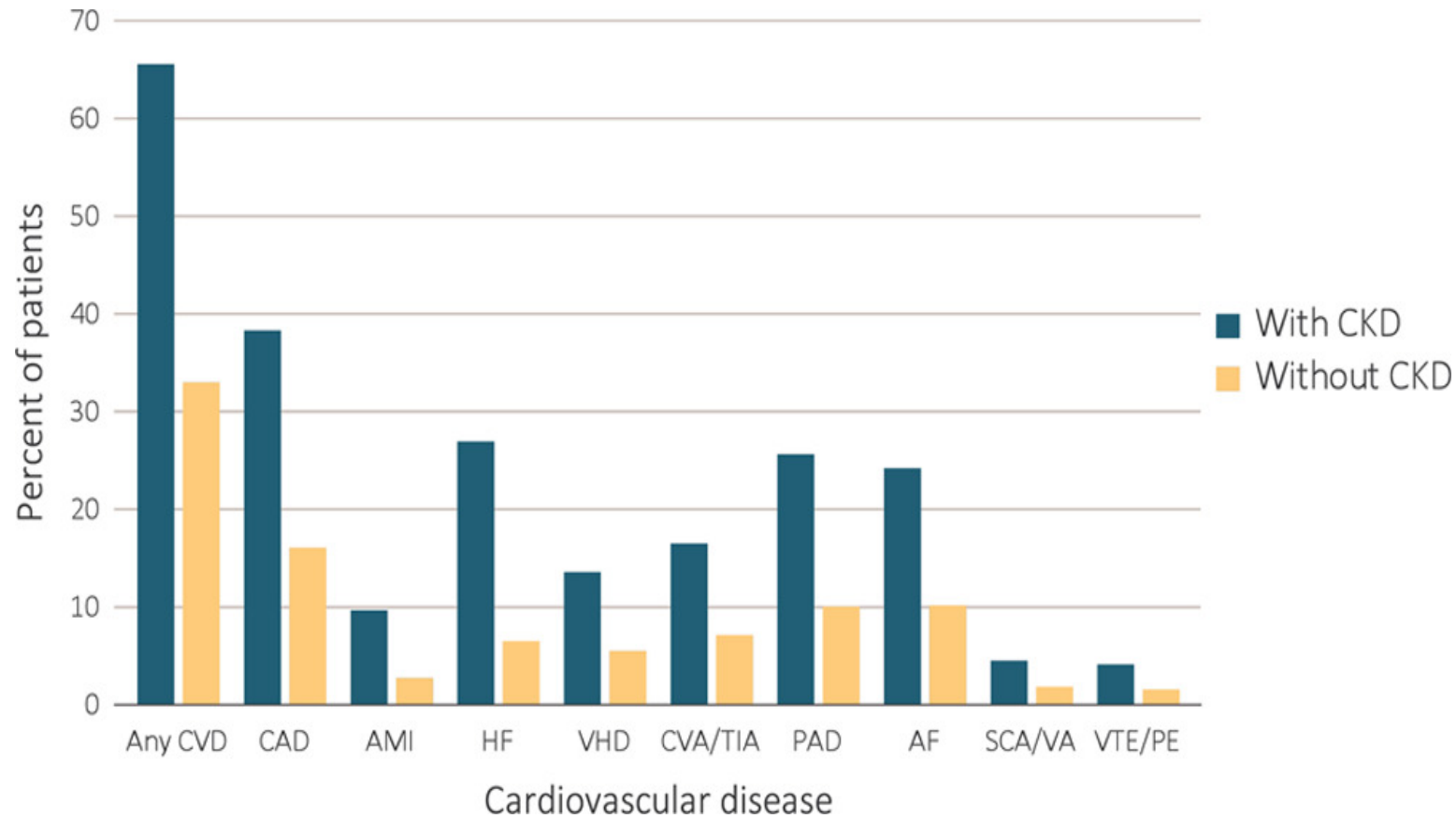
40%
of people with
type 2 diabetes
(and it's becoming
more common)



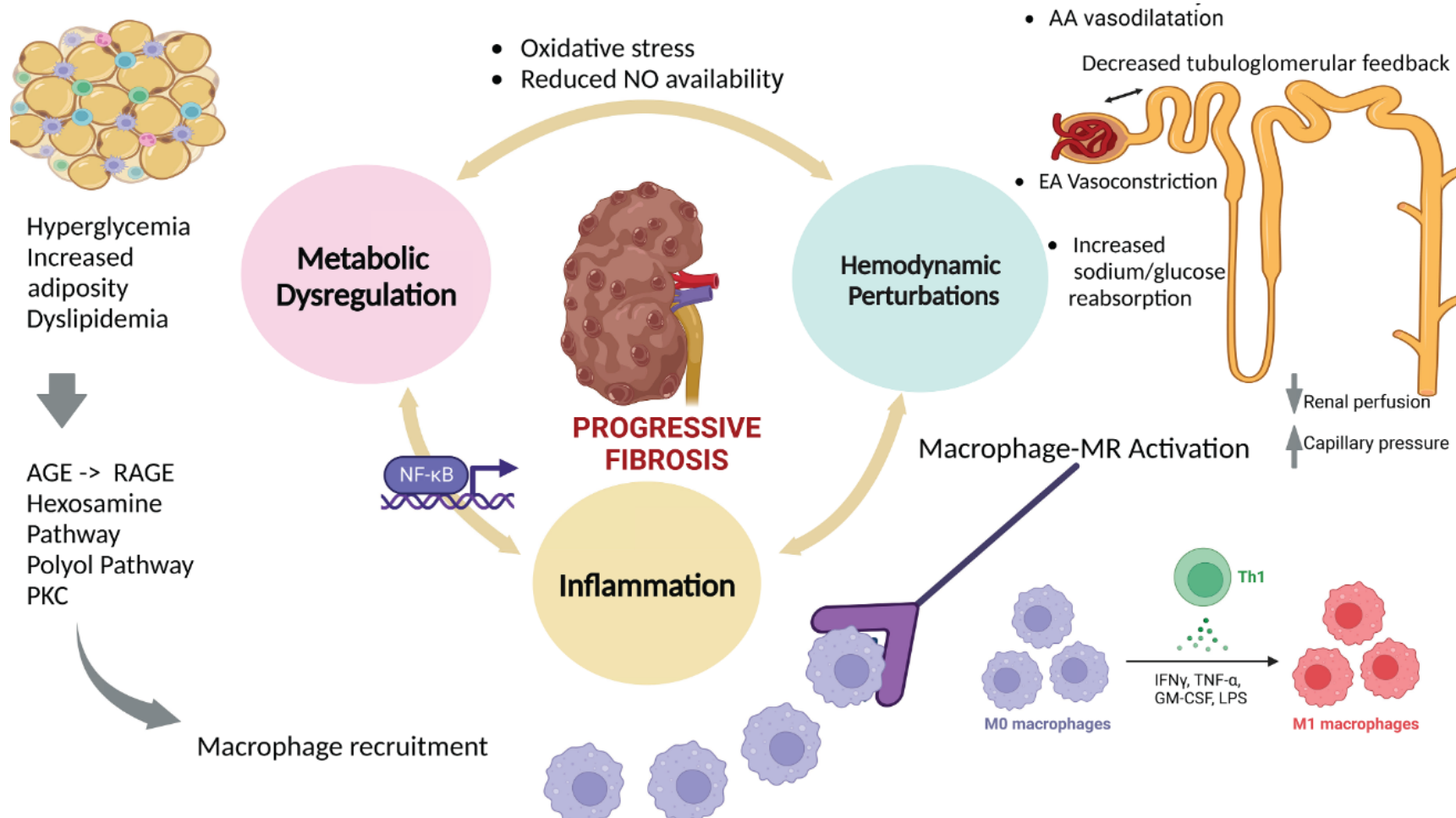
Global trends in DKD



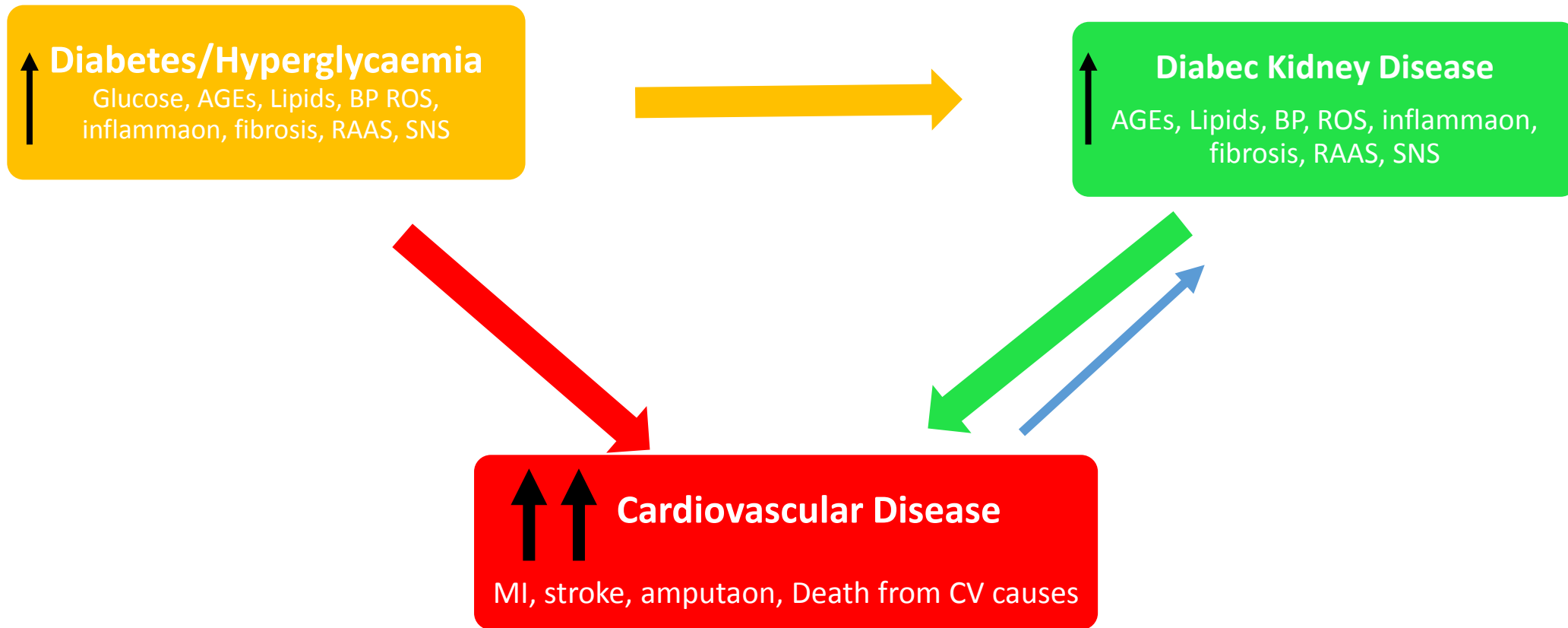
CVD is More Prevalent in The Presence of CKD



Metabolic, hemodynamic, and inflammatory pathways implicated in the underlying pathophysiology of DKD



DM and concomitant DKD accelerate CVD



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DKD presents more heterogeneously

Albuminuric DKD



Non-Albuminuric DKD

30% of participants ≥ 40 years



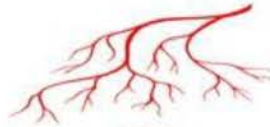
DKD is clinically heterogeneous

Albuminuric DKD

UACR > 30 mg/g



Microangiopathy



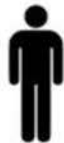
Correlation with retinopathy



Glomerulosclerosis



Male sex



Correlation with Hb1Ac



Non-albuminuric DKD

eGFR < 60 ml/min/1.73m² and
UACR < 30 mg/g



Macroangiopathy



No correlation with retinopathy



Tubular and vascular damage



Female sex



No correlation with Hb1Ac



DKD phenotypes and CV risk / CV death

[J Am Soc Nephrol](#). 2009 Aug; 20(8): 1813–1821.
doi: [10.1681/ASN.2008121270](https://doi.org/10.1681/ASN.2008121270)

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Albuminuria and Kidney Function Independently Predict Cardiovascular and Renal Outcomes in Diabetes

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Estimated glomerular filtration rate and albuminuria are independent predictors of cardiovascular events and death in type 2 diabetes mellitus: the Fenofibrate Intervention and Event Lowering in Diabetes (FIELD) study

P L Drury¹, R Ting, D Zannino, C Ehnholm, J Flack, M Whiting, R Fassett, J-C Ansquer, P Dixon, T M E Davis, C Pardy, P Colman, A Keech

CV risk on the basis of the presence or absence of albuminuria

10,640 patients with T2DM

Mean follow-up: 4.3 years

ADVANCE Post-Hoc Analysis (Ninomiya et al., 2009) [38] *

Cardiovascular events

	eGFR ≥ 90	eGFR 60–89	eGFR < 60
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9795 patients with T2DM

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CV death on the basis of the presence or absence of albuminuria

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Cardiovascular death

	<i>eGFR</i> ≥ 90	<i>eGFR</i> 60–89	<i>eGFR</i> < 60
<i>Normoalbuminuria</i>	1.00 (reference)	1.22 (0.81–1.84)	1.85 (1.17–2.92)
<i>Microalbuminuria</i>	1.96 (1.16–3.32)	2.52 (1.65–3.84)	3.37 (2.15–5.30)
<i>Macroalbuminuria</i>	2.87 (1.01–8.18)	3.61 (2.02–6.43)	5.93 (3.45–10.20)

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Cardiovascular death

	<i>eGFR</i> ≥ 90	<i>eGFR</i> 60–89	<i>eGFR</i> < 60
<i>Normoalbuminuria</i>	1.00 (reference)	1.17 (0.80–1.72)	2.36 (1.29–4.31)
<i>Microalbuminuria</i>	1.73 (1.08–2.77)	1.38 (0.88–2.15)	2.96 (1.59–5.51)
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Summaries of landmark trials with the RAAS blockade

Trial	Publication Year	Treatment(s)	Primary Composite Kidney Outcome	Risk Reduction
CSG Captopril [11]	1993	Captopril vs. placebo	Doubling of the base-line serum creatinine concentration	48%
RENAAL [12]	2001	Losartan vs. placebo	Doubling of serum creatinine, ESKD or death	16%
IDNT [13]	2001	Irbesartan vs. amlodipine vs. placebo	Doubling of serum creatinine, ESKD or death	20% vs. placebo 23% vs. amlodipine

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Either an ACE inhibitor or an angiotensin receptor blocker



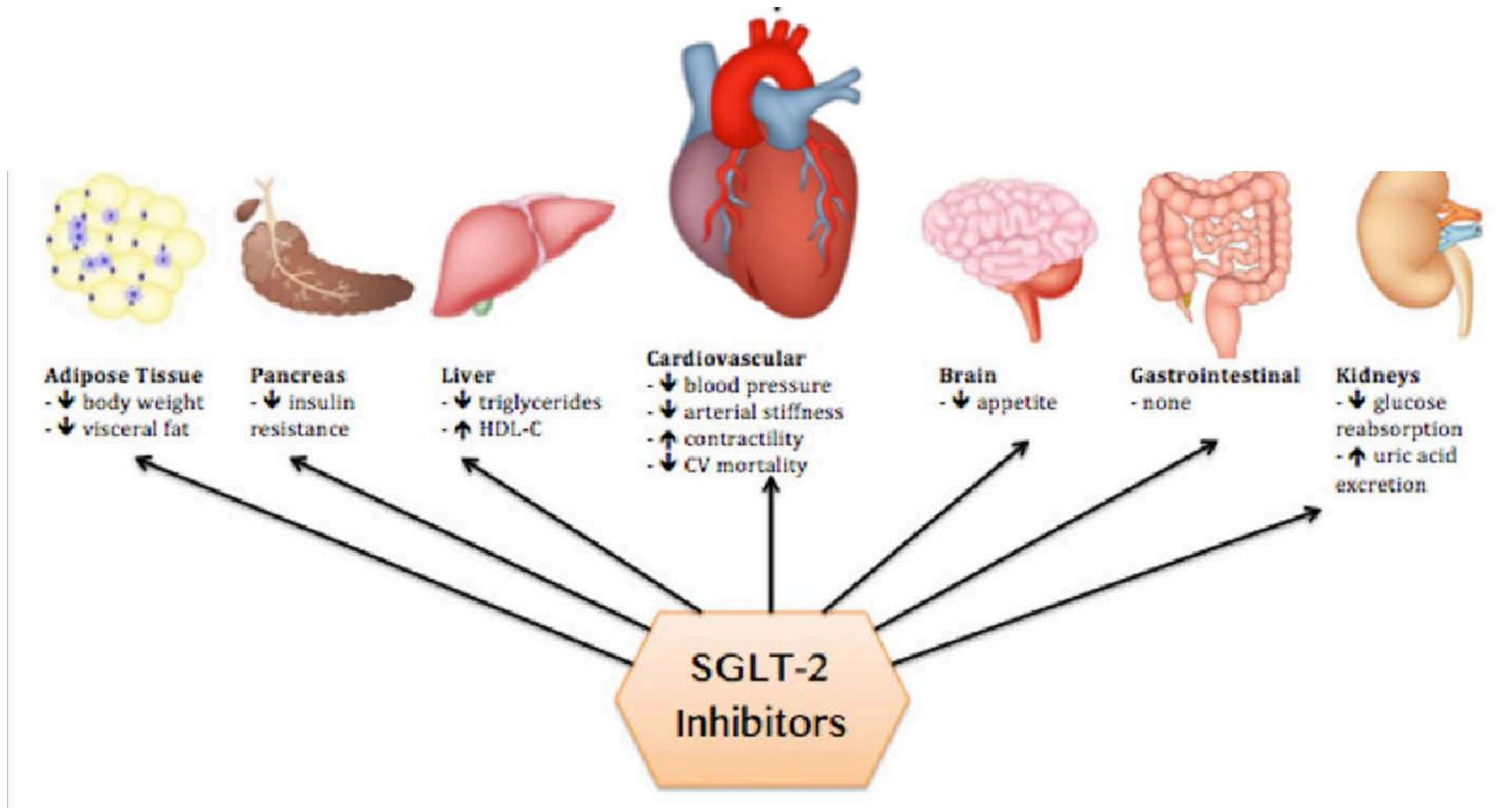
- **11.4a** In nonpregnant people **with diabetes and hypertension**
- recommended for those with urinary Alb/Cr: 30–299 mg/g creatinine. **B**
- strongly recommended for those with urinary Alb/Cr ≥ 300 mg/g creatinine and/or eGFR < 60 . **A**

- **11.4c** not recommended for the primary prevention of CKD in people with diabetes and normal BP, normal urinary Alb/Cr (< 30 mg/g creatinine), and normal eGFR. **A**

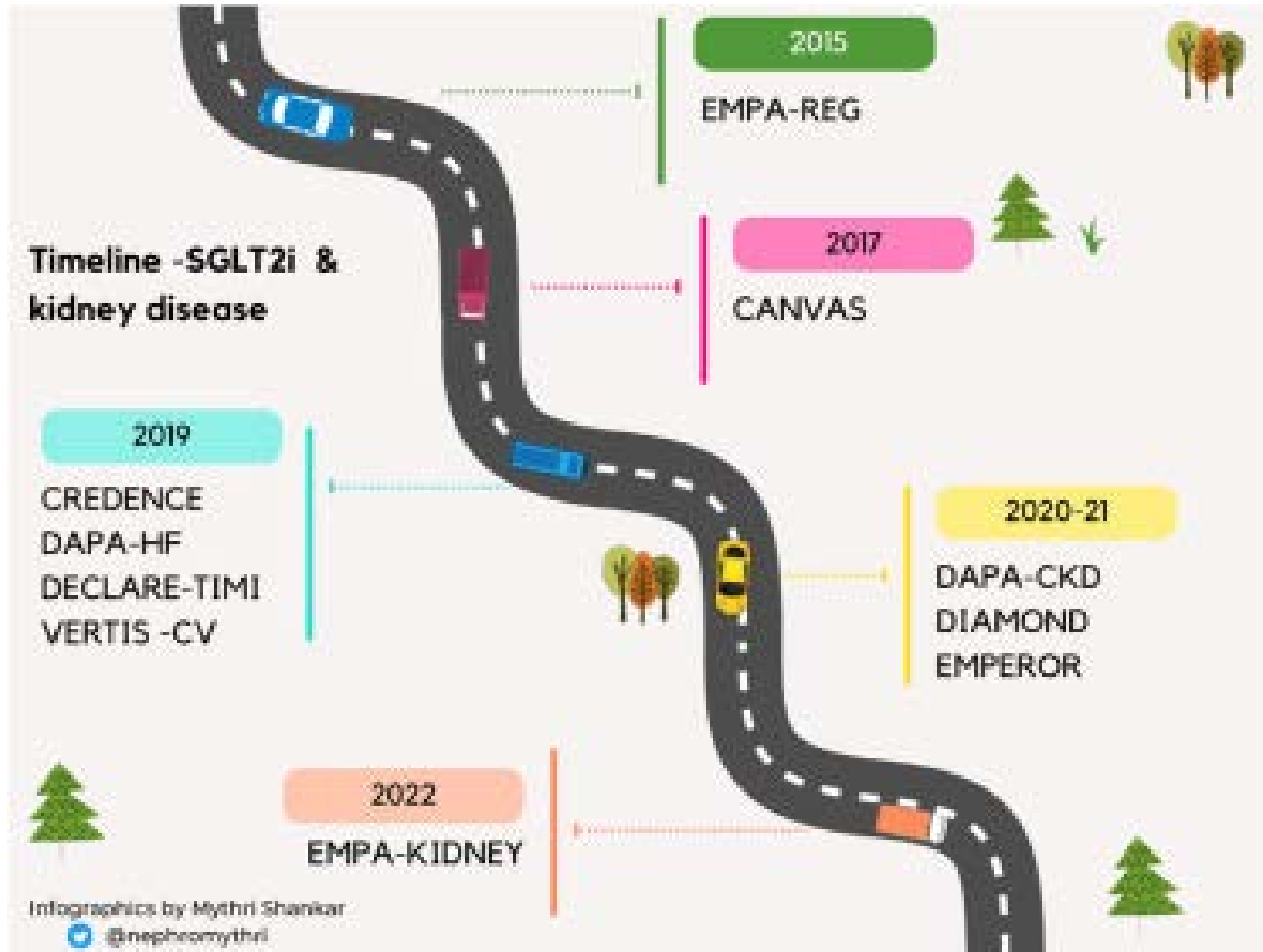
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Pleiotropic effects of SGLT2 Inhibitors



Timeline of trials involving SGLT2 inhibitors



Meta-analysis of SGLT2i trials on the composite of renal worsening, end-stage renal disease, or renal death

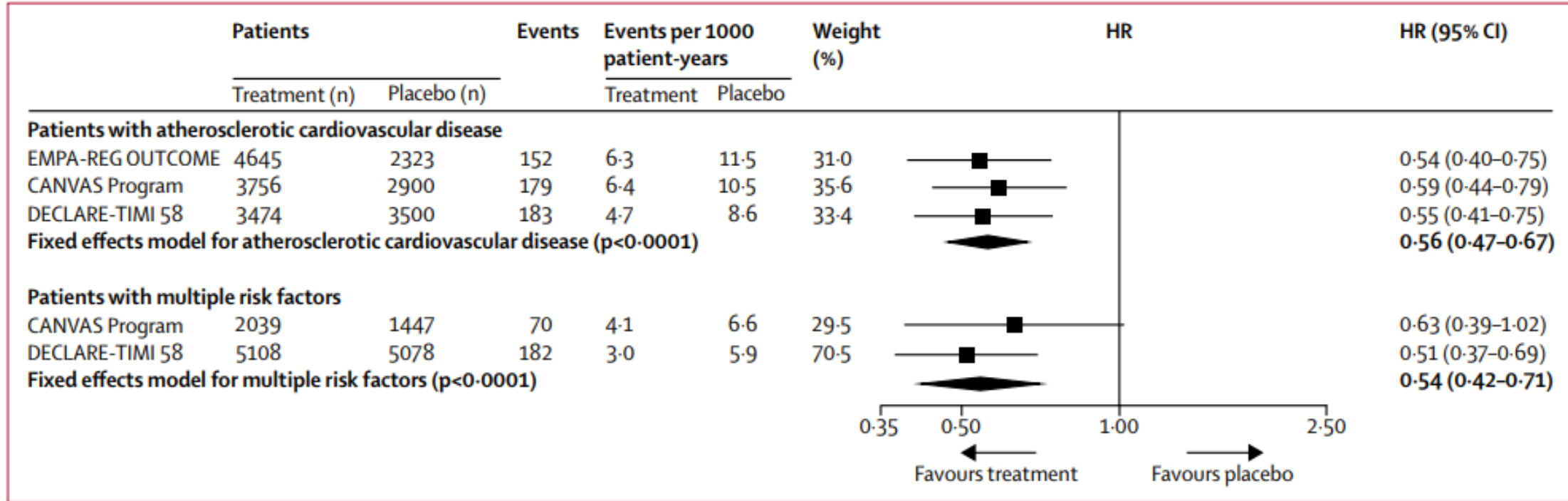
	EMPA-REG OUTCOME ¹	CANVAS Program ²	DECLARE-TIMI 58 ³
Drug	Empagliflozin	Canagliflozin	Dapagliflozin
Doses analysed	10 mg, 25 mg (once daily)	100 mg, 300 mg (once daily)	10 mg (once daily)
Median follow-up time, years	3.1	2.4	4.2
Trial participants	7020	10 142	17 160
Age, mean	63.1	63.3	63.9
Women	2004 (28.5%)	3633 (35.8%)	6422 (37.4%)
Patients with established atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease	7020 (100%)	6656 (65.6%)	6974 (40.6%)
Patients with a history of heart failure	706 (10.1%)	1461 (14.4%)	1724 (10.0%)
Patients with eGFR <60 mL/min per 1.73 m ²	1819 (25.9%)	2039 (20.1%)	1265 (7.4%)

Data are n (%) unless otherwise specified. The CANVAS Program consisted of two trials, CANVAS and CANVAS-R, but are presented combined. eGFR=estimated glomerular filtration rate.

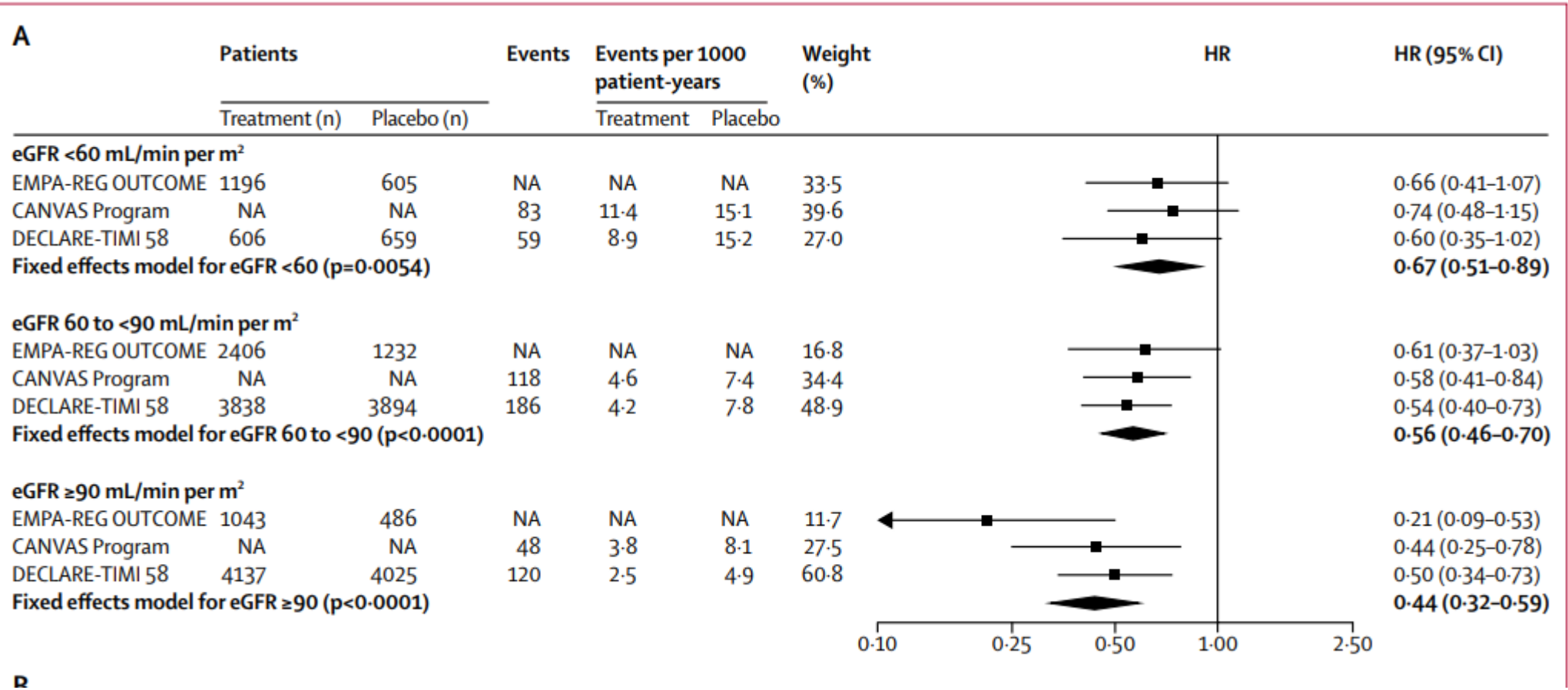
Table: Randomised controlled phase 3/4 clinical trials of sodium-glucose cotransporter-2 inhibitors

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The p value for subgroup differences: 0.71.



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Landmark Trials of SGLT2 Inhibitors in CKD

	CREDESCENCE	DAPA-CKD	EMPA-KIDNEY
eGFR (mL/min/1.73 m ²)	30 to <90	25-75	20 to <45 or, 45 to <90 with albuminuria
Albuminuria (mg/g)	>300-5,000	200-5,000	Any level of albuminuria if eGFR 20 to <45 At least 200 if eGFR 45 to <90
Median (IQR) follow-up, y	2.62 (0.02-4.53)	2.4 (2.0-2.7)	2.0 (1.5-2.4)
Primary outcomes (HR, 95%CI)	0.70 (0.59-0.82) NNT:22	0.61 (0.51-0.72) NNT:19	0.72 (0.64-0.82) NNT:25
Key secondary outcomes (HR, 95%CI)			
Death from any cause	0.83 (0.68-1.02)	0.69 (0.53-0.88)	0.87 (0.70-1.08)
Hospitalization for heart failure or death from CV cause	0.69 (0.57-0.83)	0.71 (0.55-0.92)	0.84 (0.67-1.07)
Composite of decline in eGFR, ESKD, or death from renal cause	0.66 (0.53-0.81))	0.56 (0.45-0.68)	—

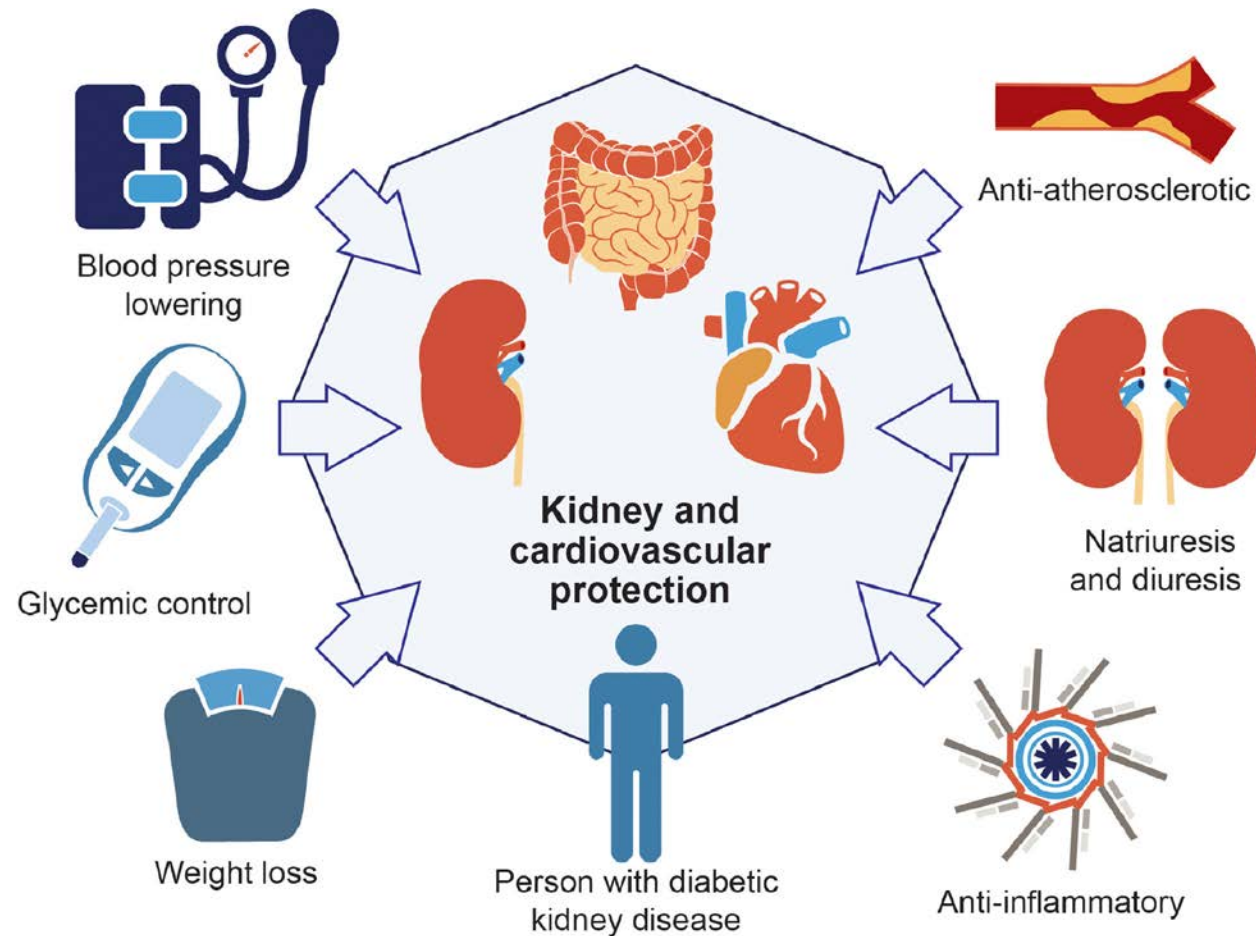
Recommendation use of a SGLT2 Inhibitors in people with type 2 DM and DKD

- 11.5a** an eGFR ≥ 20 & urinary Alb/Cr ≥ 200 . **A**
- 11.5b** an eGFR ≥ 20 & urinary Alb/Cr ranging from normal to 200. **B**

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Potential mechanisms by which GLP1-RA confer kidney and cardiovascular protection



Michos, Erin D., et al. "Glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonists in diabetic kidney disease: A review of their kidney and heart protection." *American Journal of Preventive Cardiology* (2023): 100502.

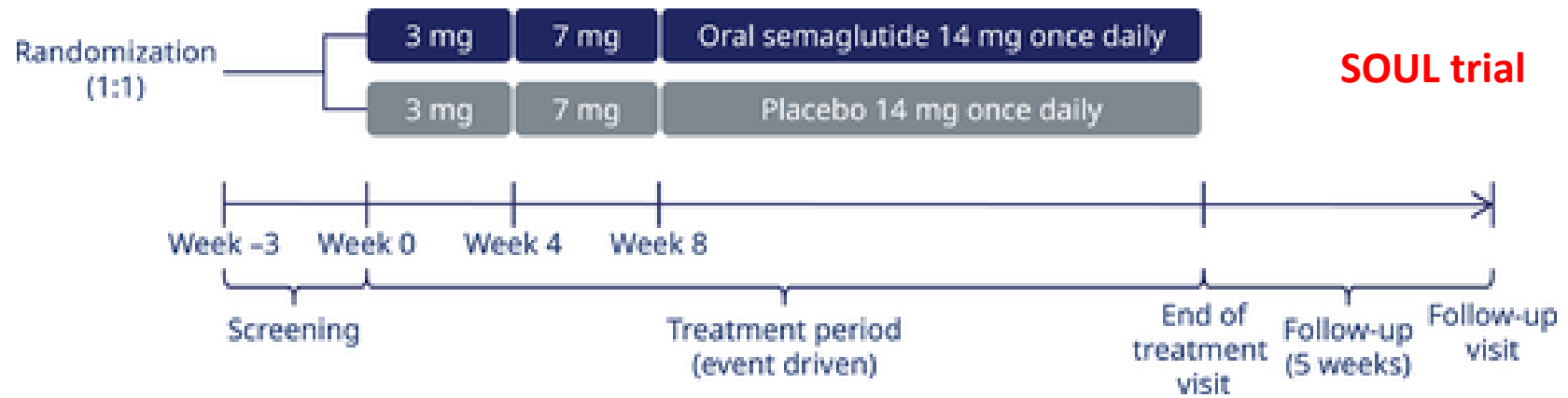
Renal endpoints in cardiovascular outcome trials of GLP-1 receptor agonists

	LEADER [44]	SUSTAIN-6 [46]	REWIND [53]	AMPLITUDE-O [56]	ELIXA [42]	EXSCEL [48]
Drug	Liraglutide	Semaglutide	Dulaglutide	Efpeglenatide	Lixisenatide	Exenatide ER
Participants (n)	9,340	3,297	9,901	4,076	6,068	14,752
Median follow-up (yr)	3.8	2.1	5.4	1.8	2.1	3.2
Baseline HbA1c (%)	8.7	8.7	7.2	8.9	7.7	8
Baseline BP (mmHg)	136/77	136/77	137/78	135/77	130	135/78
Established CVD (%)	81	83.0	31	89.6	100	73.1
Baseline eGFR < 60 mL/min/1.73 m ² (%)	23.1	24.1	22.2	31.6	23.2	21.6
Baseline eGFR, mL/min/1.73 m ²	80	80	75	72	78	77
Albuminuria (%)	11.0	NA	34.5	48.5	25.3	22.0
ACEI or ARB (%)	82.8	83.5	81.5	80.0	85.0	79.9
Renal composite outcomes ^b	0.78 (0.67–0.92)	0.64 (0.46–0.88)	0.85 (0.77–0.93)	0.68 (0.57–0.79)	0.84 (0.68–1.02)	0.88 (0.76–1.01)
New-onset persistent macroalbuminuria ^b	0.74 (0.60–0.91)	0.54 (0.37–0.77)	0.77 (0.68–0.87)	0.68 (0.58–0.80)	0.81 (0.66–0.99)	0.87(0.70–1.07)
Persistent doubling of serum creatinine ^b	0.89 (0.67–1.19)	1.28 (0.64–2.58)	NA	NA	1.16 (0.74–1.83)	NA
End-stage renal disease ^b	0.87 (0.61–1.24)	0.91 (0.40–2.07)	0.75 (0.39–1.44)	NA	NA	NA
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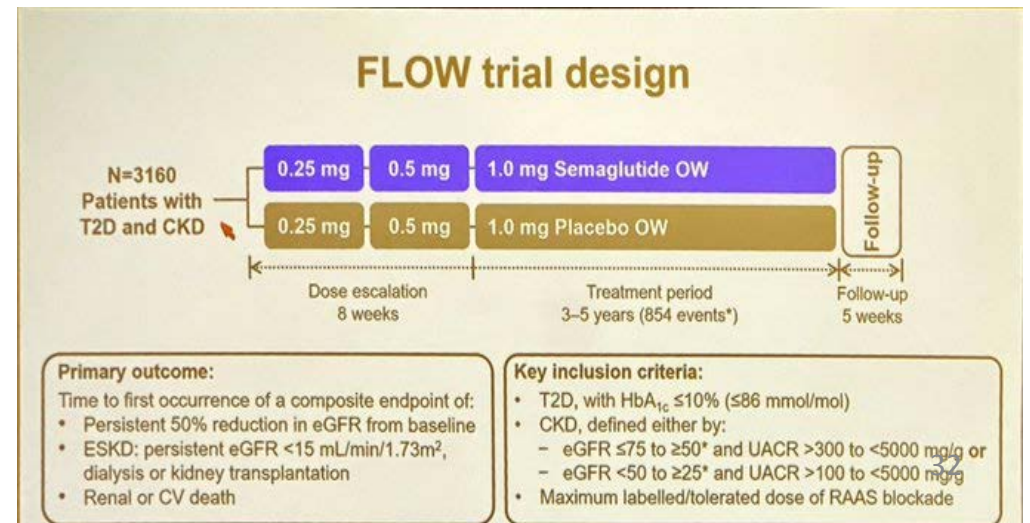
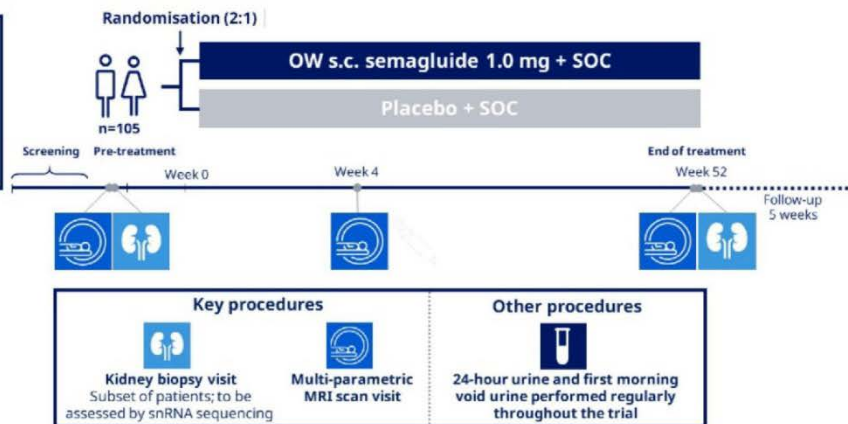
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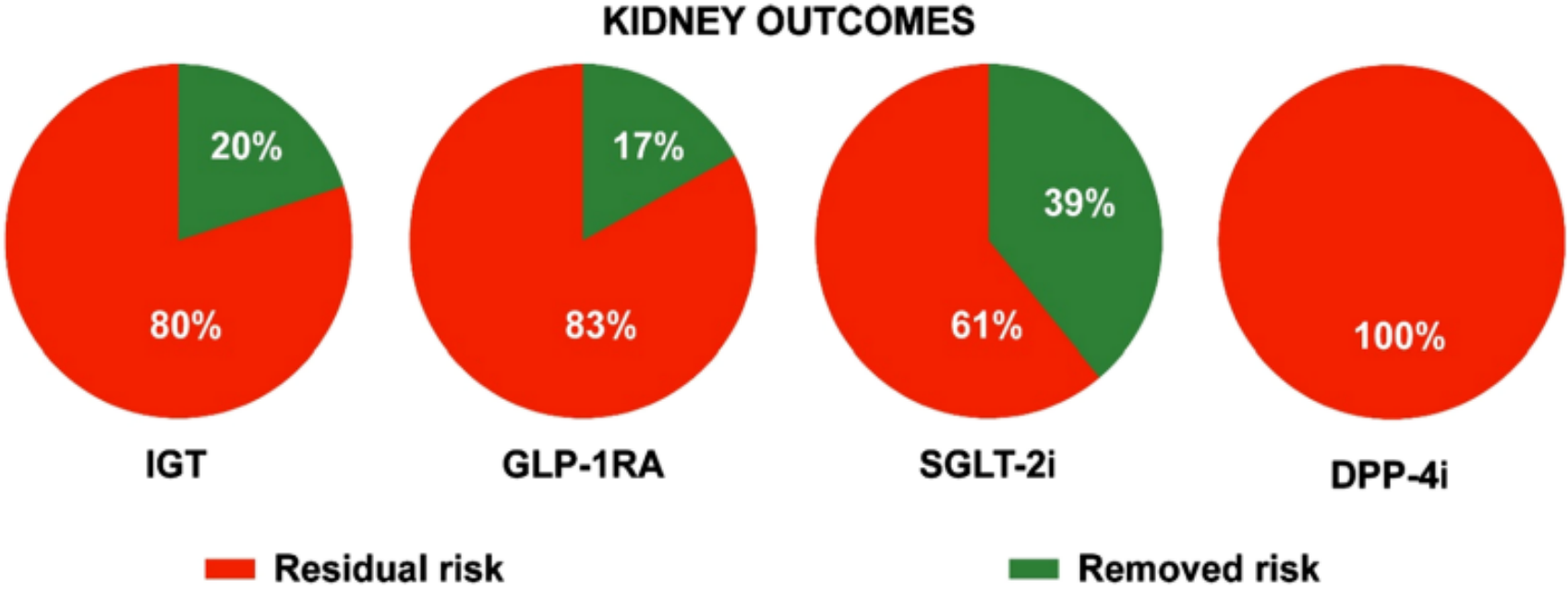
Future directions Renal outcome trials of GLP-1 receptor agonists in DKD



- Inclusion criteria:**
- Adults (age ≥ 18 years)
 - T2D diagnosed ≥ 180 days prior to screening
 - $HbA_{1c} \leq 9.0\%$
 - $eGFR \geq 40 - \leq 75$ mL/min/1.73 m²
 - $UACR \geq 30 - < 5000$ mg/g
 - Stable treatment with a **RAAS inhibitor** (including ACE inhibitors or ARBs)*



Residual Risk for Kidney Outcomes



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The direct deleterious effects of aldosterone/MR activation in the heart and kidneys

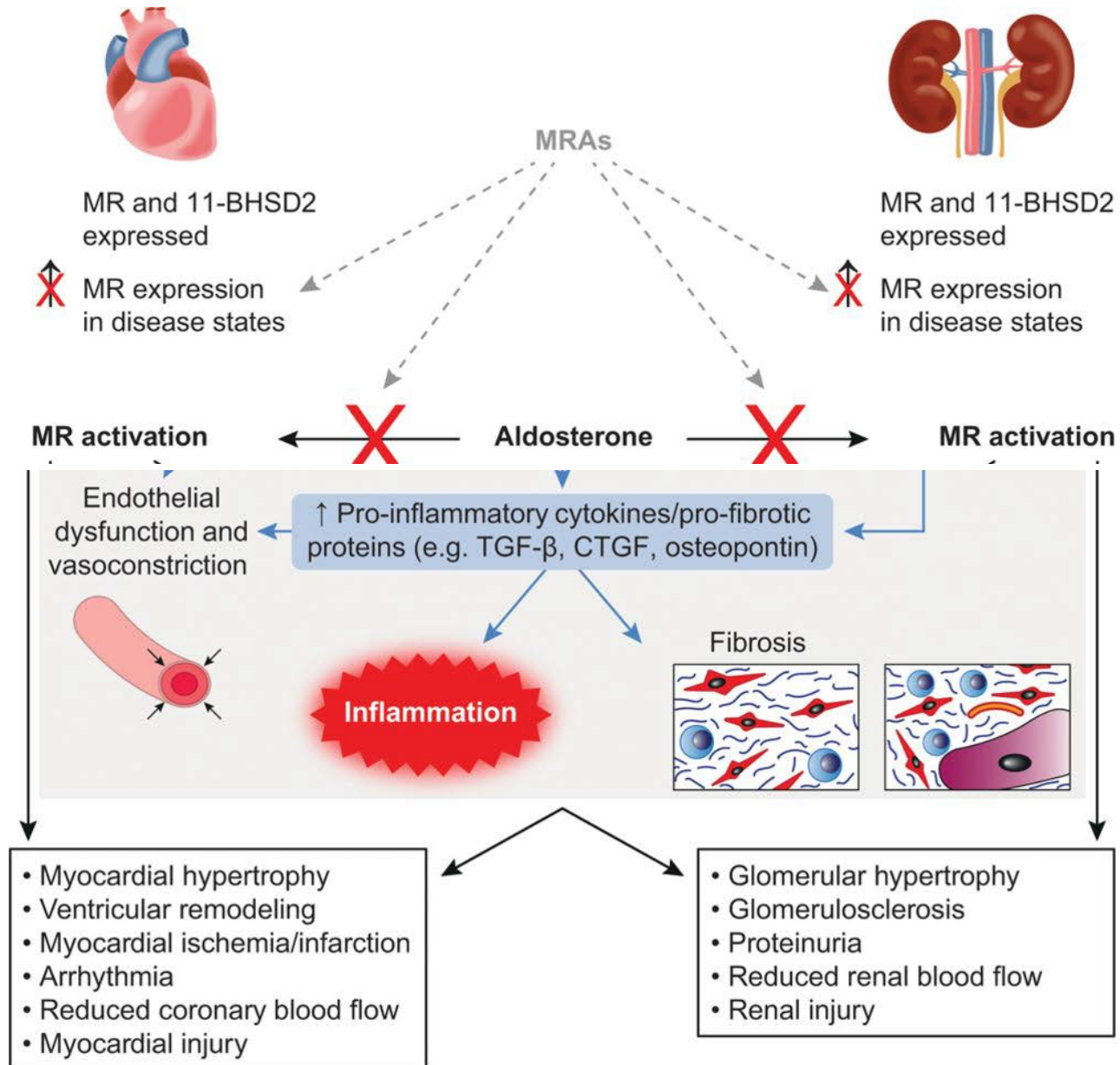
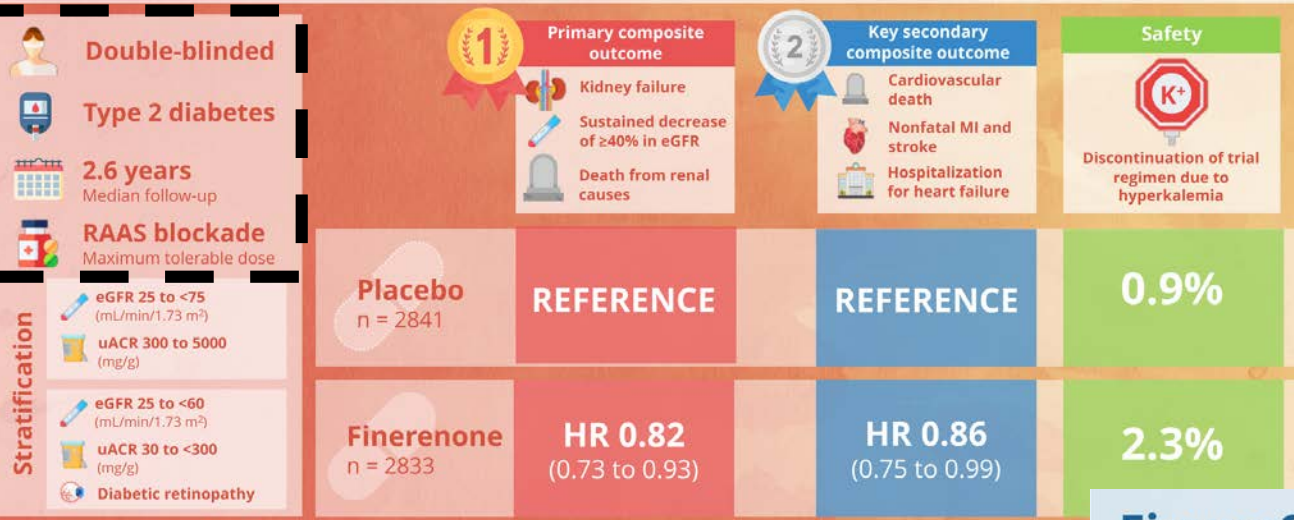


Figure 1. FIDELIO-DKD

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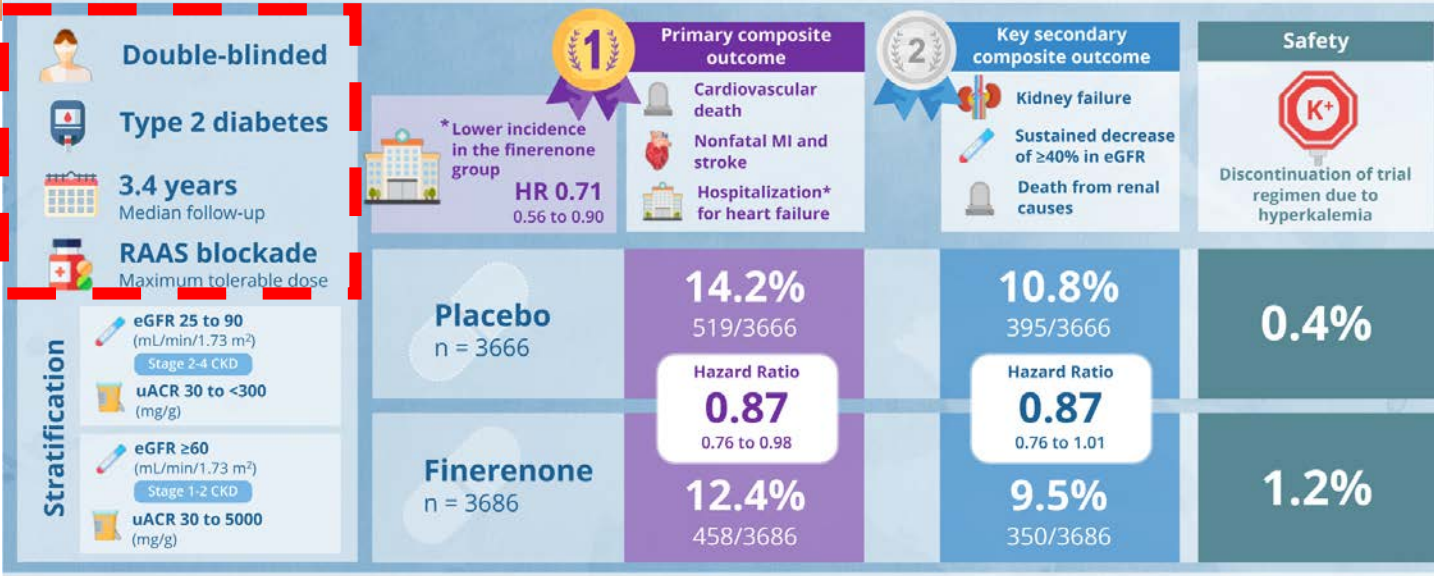


Conclusion In patients with CKD and type 2 diabetes, treatment with finerenone resulted in lower risks of CKD progression and cardiovascular events than placebo. RAAS, renin-angiotensin-aldosterone system; uACR, urine albumin-creatinine ratio; HR, hazard ratio.

Bakris GL, et al. Effect of finerenone on chronic kidney disease and cardiovascular events in type 2 diabetes. *N Engl J Med* 2020; 383:2219-2229. doi: 10.1056/NEJMoa2008099. Visual abstract by Michelle Lim, MBChB, MRCP

Figure 2. FIGARO-DKD

Does finerenone improve cardiovascular outcomes in type 2 diabetes and CKD?



Conclusion Among patients with type 2 diabetes and stage 2 to 4 CKD with moderately elevated albuminuria or stage 1 or 2 CKD with severely elevated albuminuria, finerenone therapy improved cardiovascular outcomes as compared with placebo.

Pitt B, et al.; FIGARO-DKD Investigators. Cardiovascular events with finerenone in kidney disease and type 2 diabetes. *N Engl J Med* [published online ahead of print August 28, 2021]. doi: 10.1056/NEJMoa2110956. Visual abstract by Michelle Lim, MBChB, MRCP

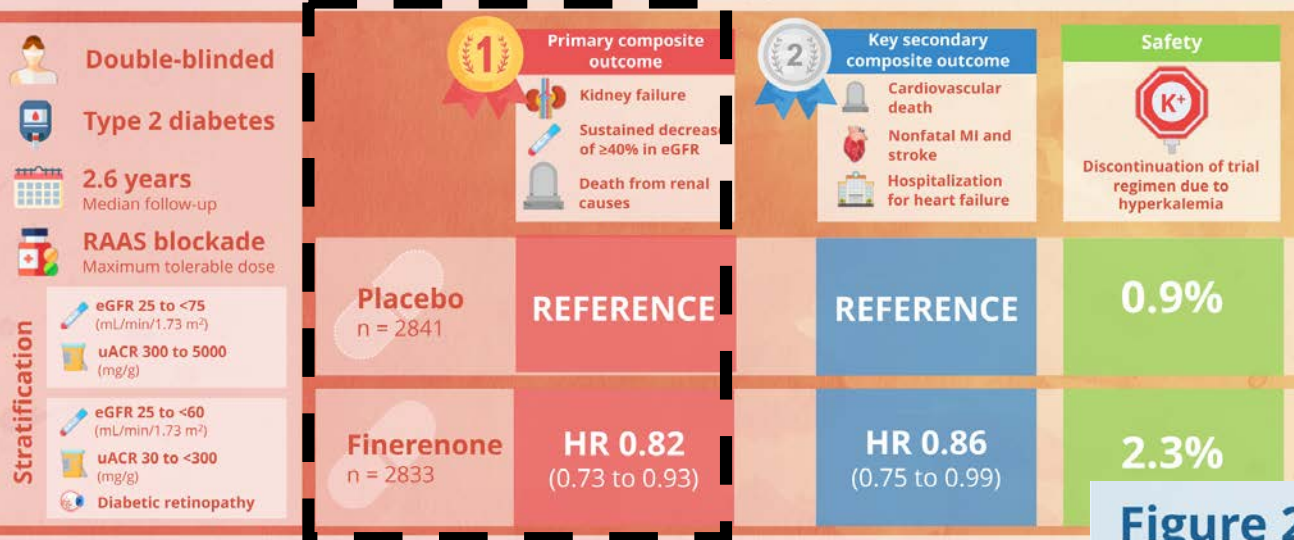
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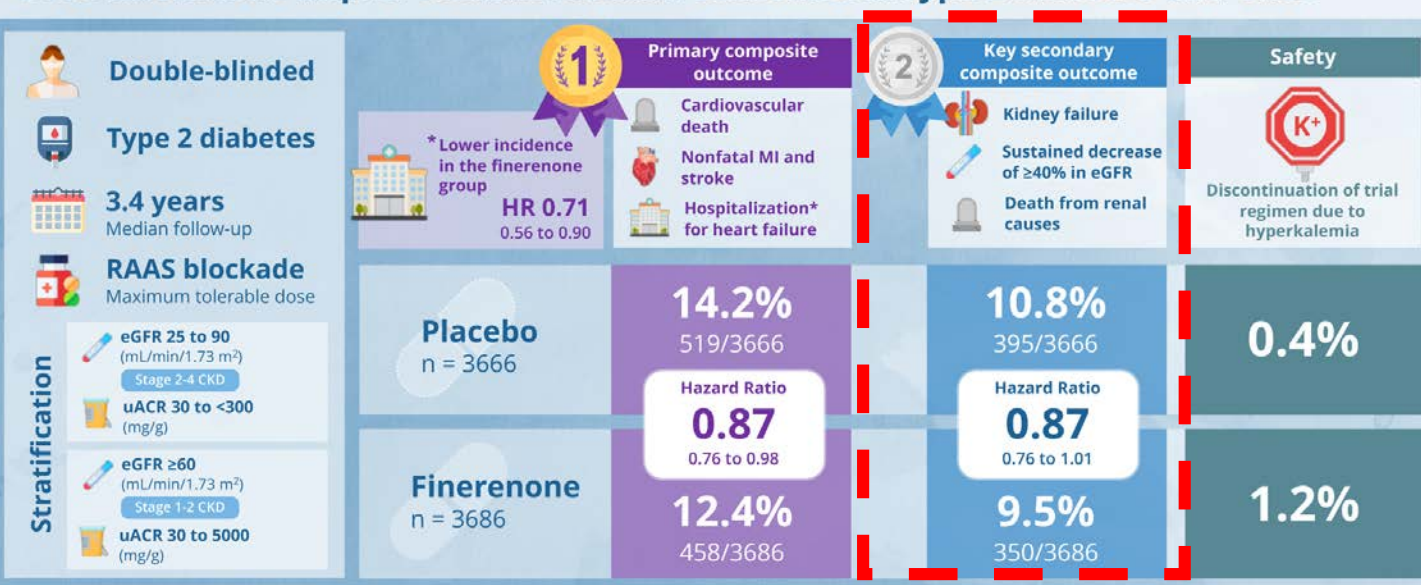


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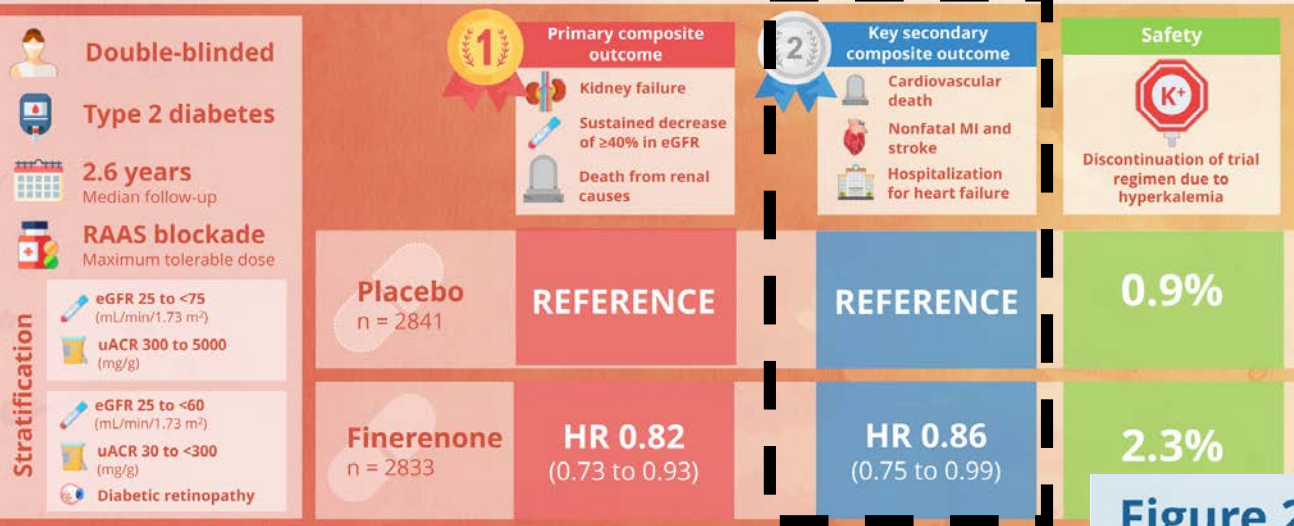
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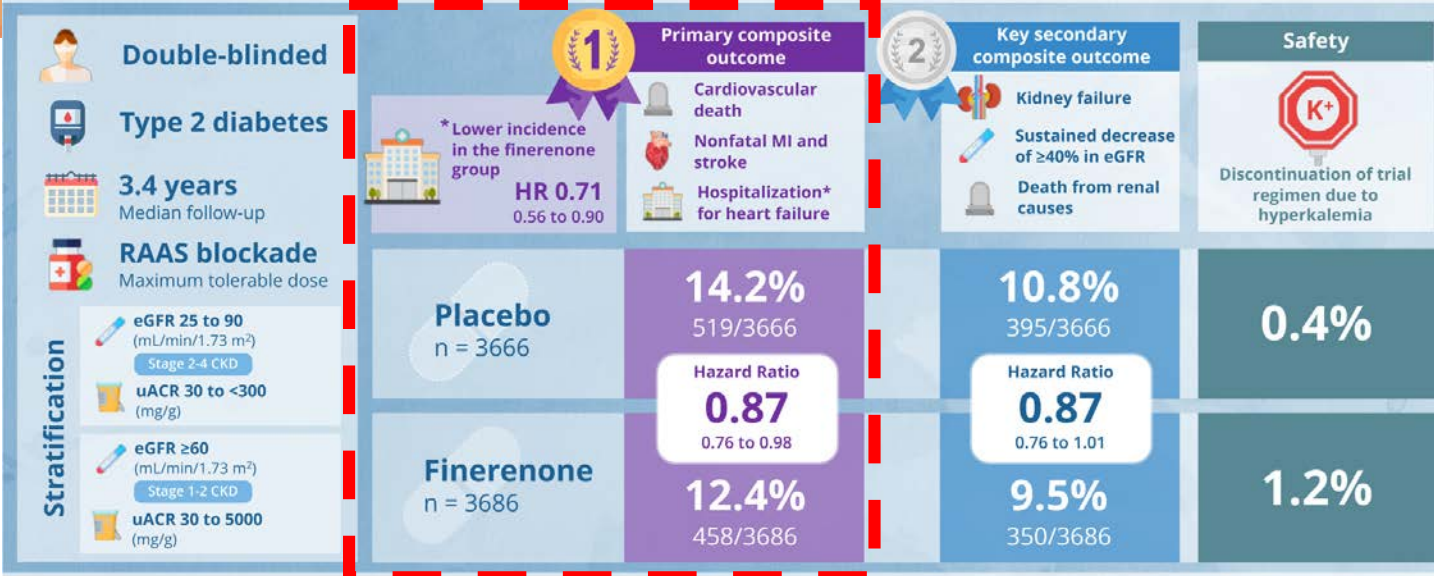
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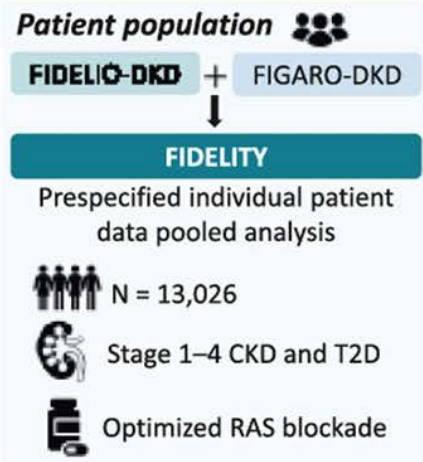
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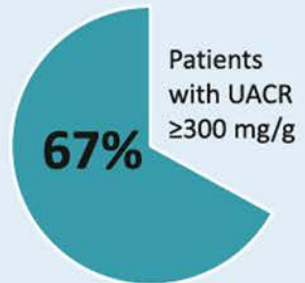
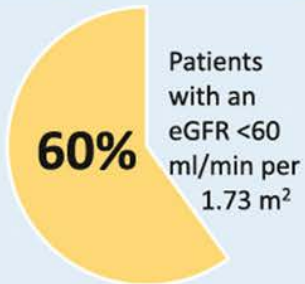
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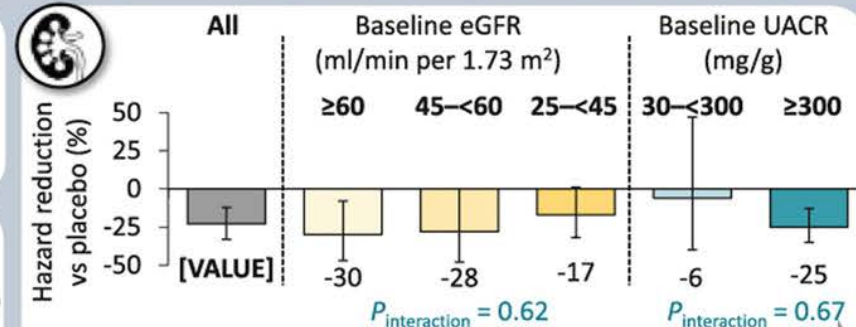
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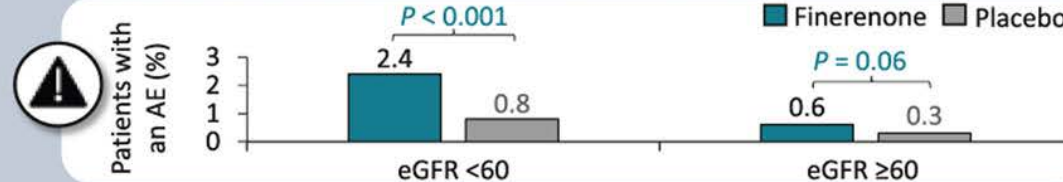
↓ **23%**
RRR of a kidney outcome event^a vs. placebo

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Directionally consistent hazard reductions across eGFR and UACR categories

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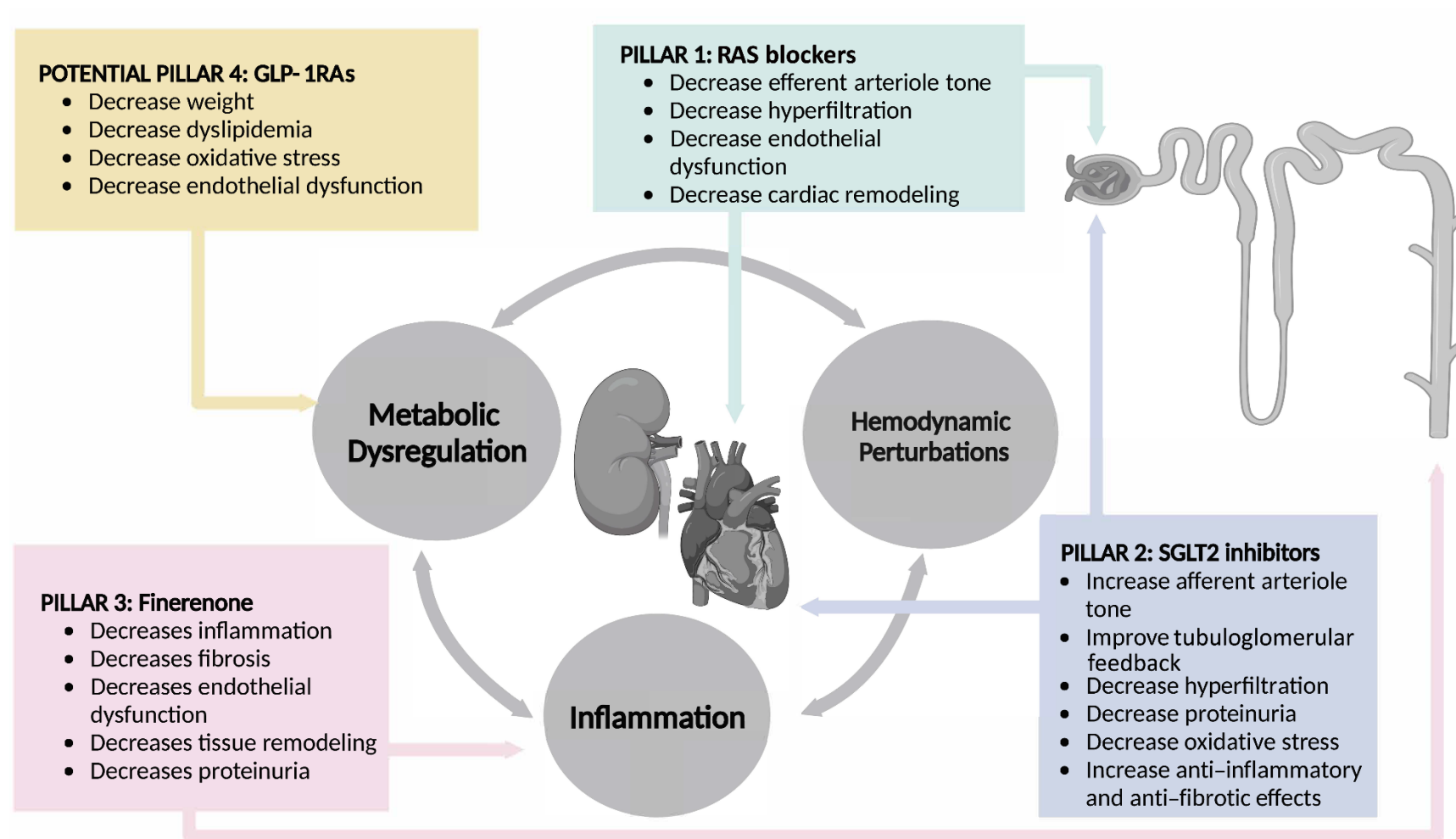
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CONCLUSION

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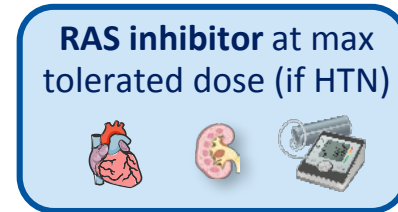
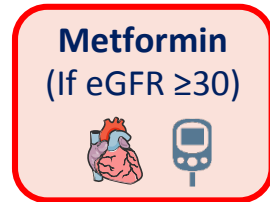
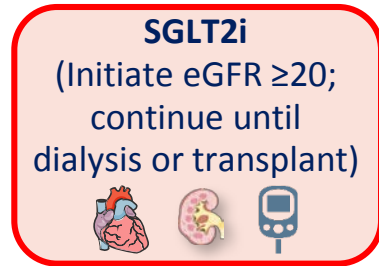


Holistic approach for improving outcomes in patients with diabetes and CKD

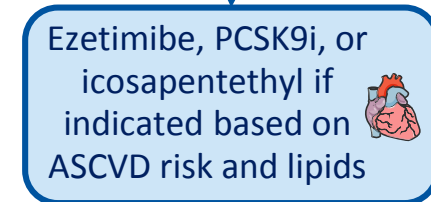
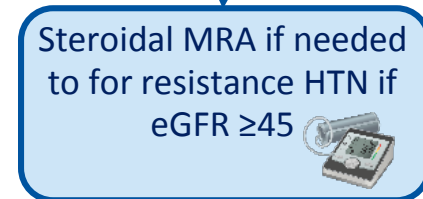
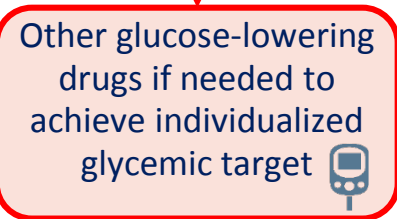
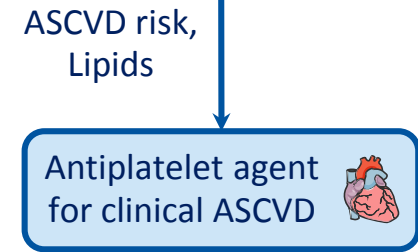
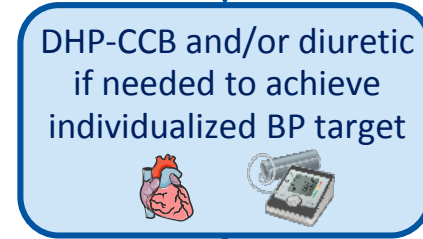
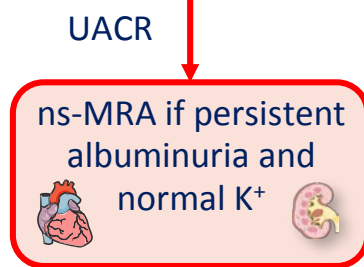
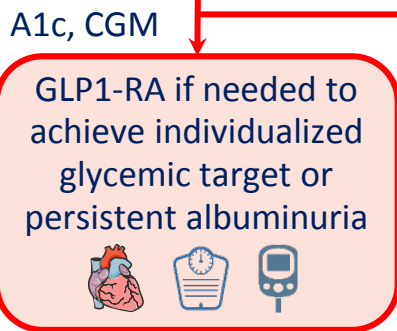
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First-line drug therapy



Targeted therapy



Take Home Messages

- **NADKD has been increasingly recognized, especially in DM2 (30% of DKD cases)**
- **Higher UACR levels and lower eGFR levels associated with an increased risk for CVD**
- **Either an ACEi Or ARB recommended for those with urinary Alb/Cr \geq 30 or eGFR $<$ 60**
- **Recommendation use of a SGLT2 Inhibitors in people with type 2 DM and DKD (an eGFR \geq 20)**
- **Nonsteroidal MRA, finerenone slows CKD progression/CVD risk, with lower risks of hyperkalemia**

Thank You!

