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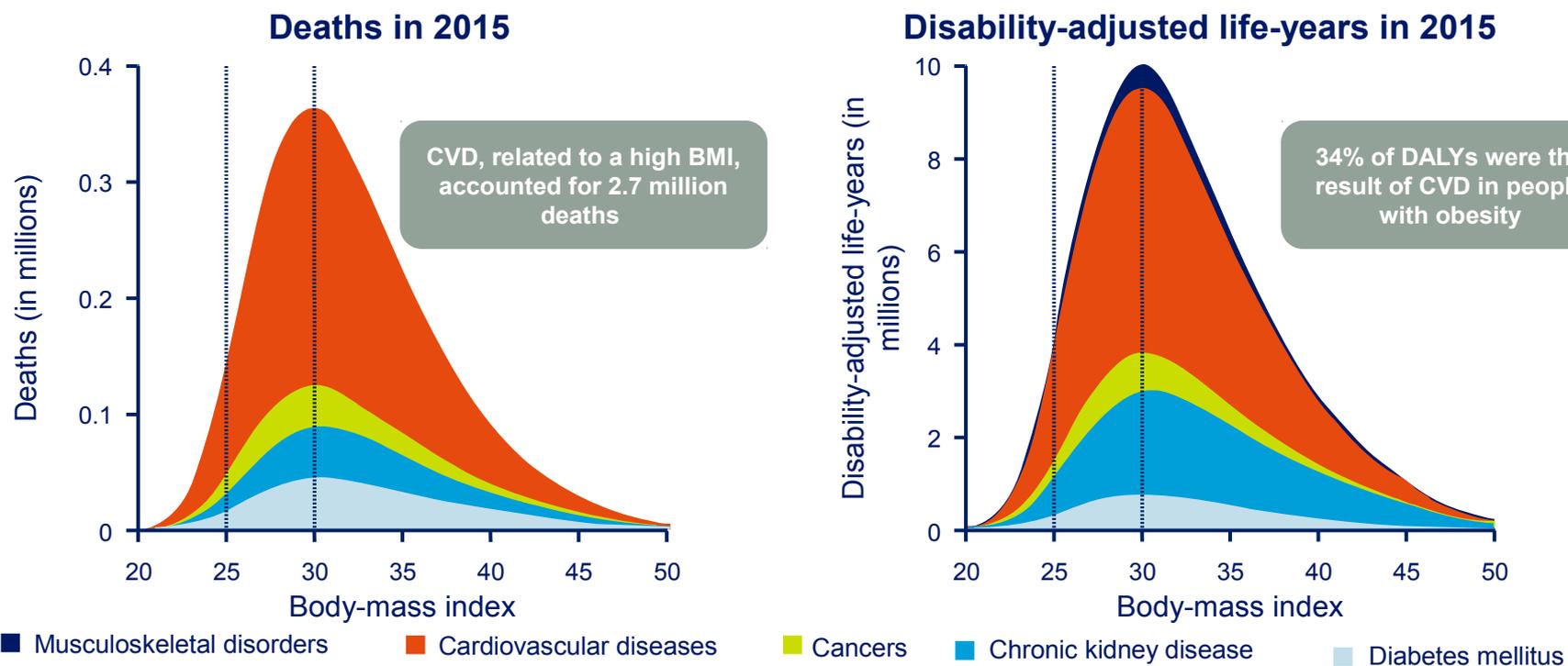
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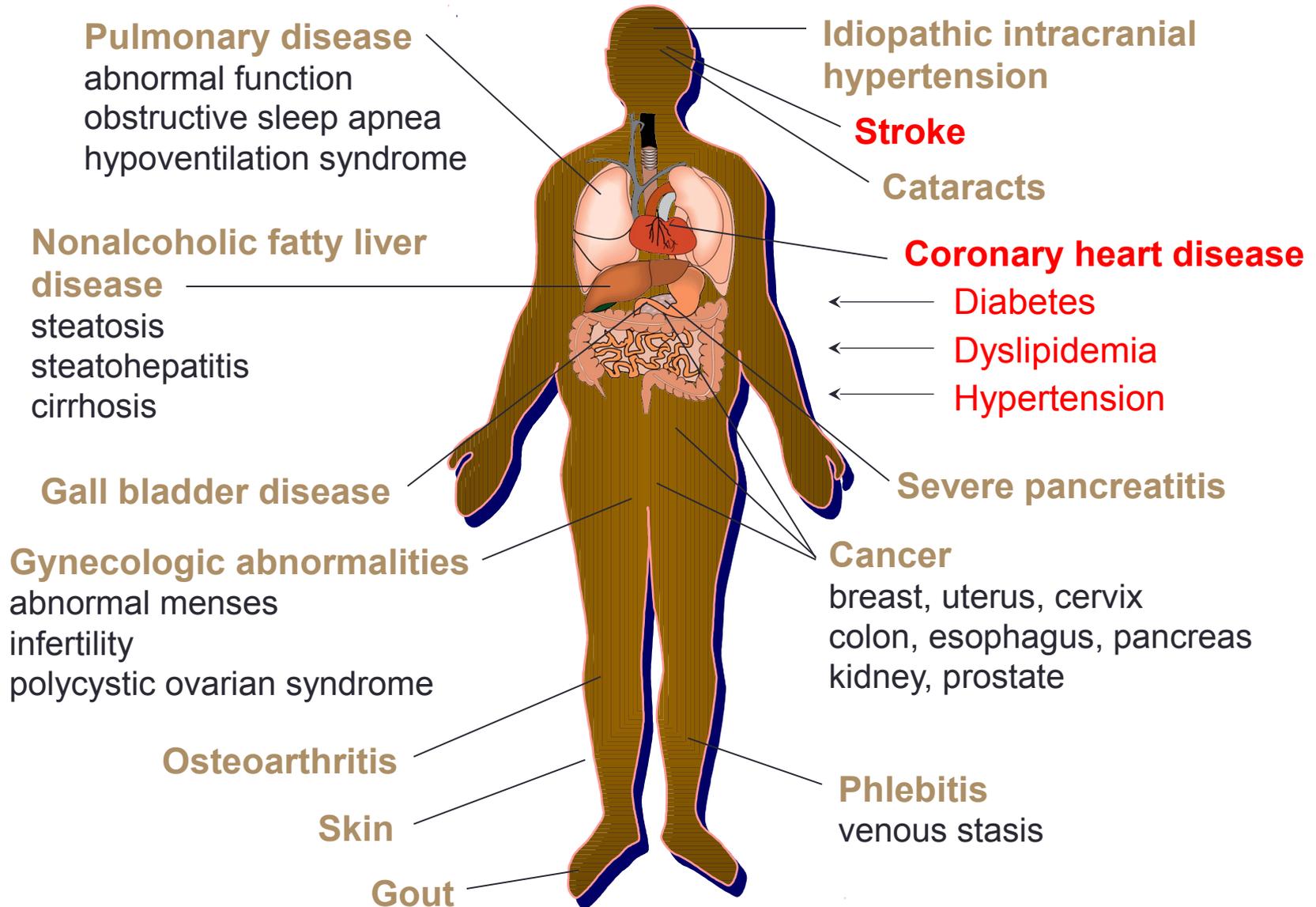
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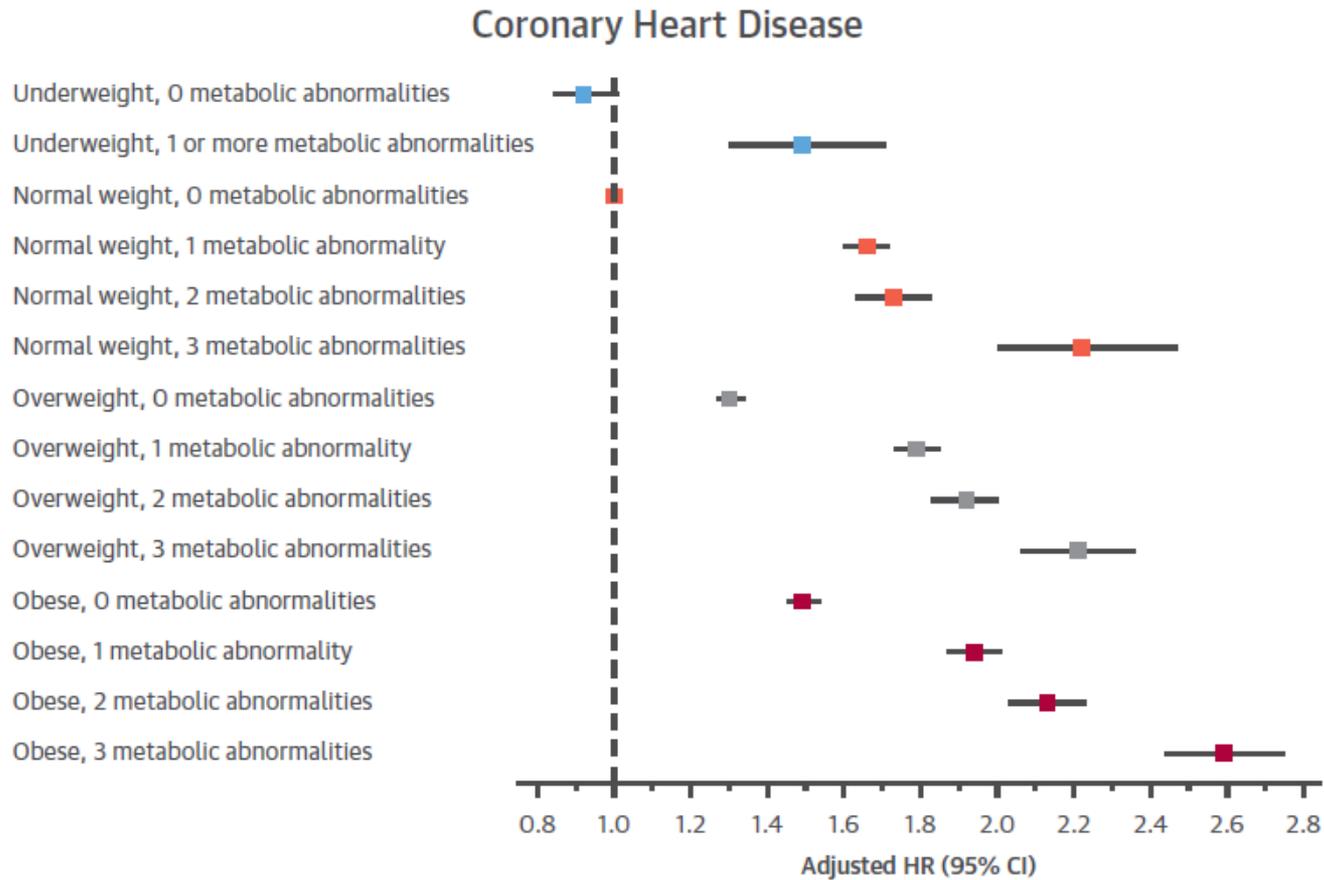
# Increasing BMI contributes to death and disability



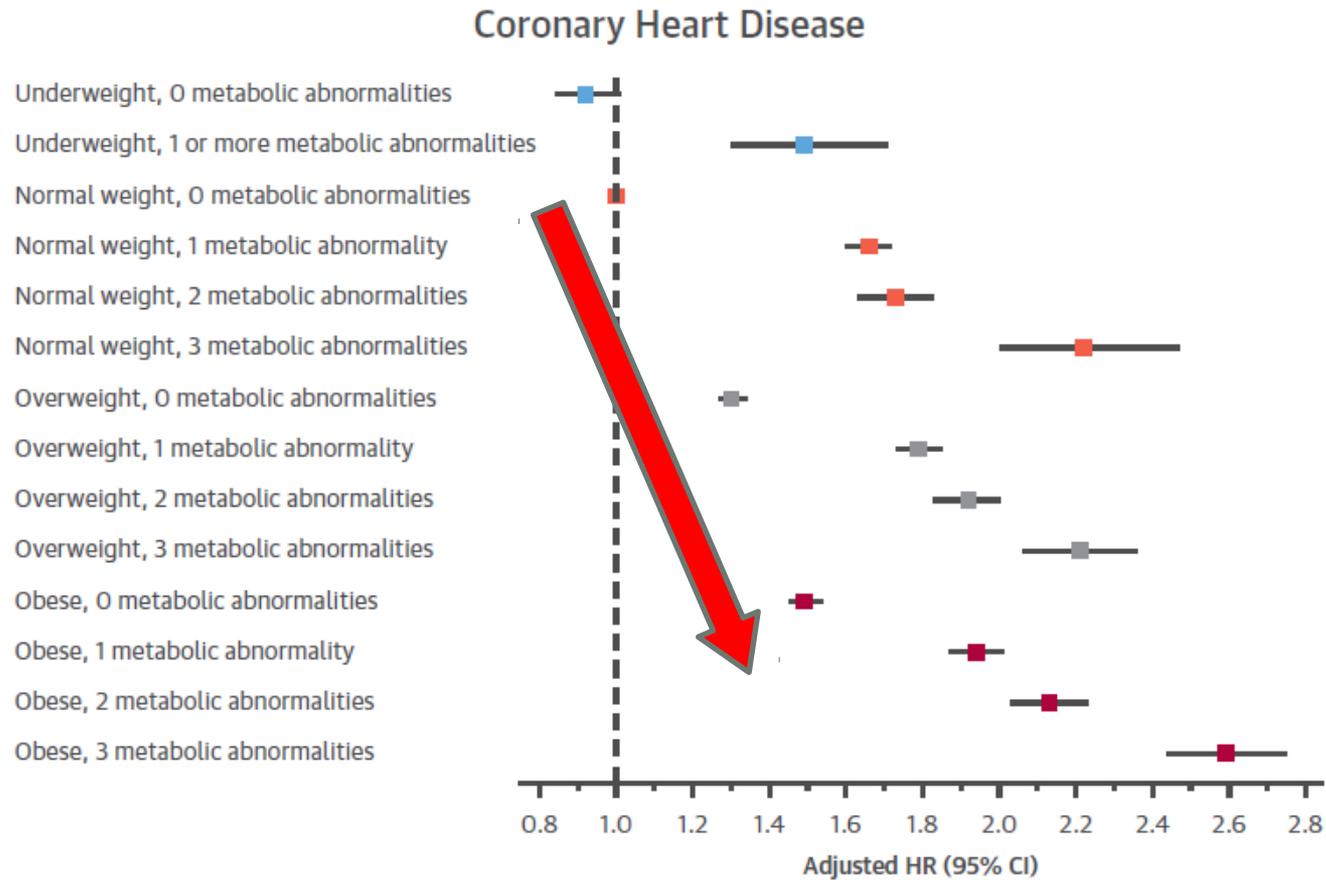
# Medical Complications of Obesity



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## Normal Weight Metabolically Healthy

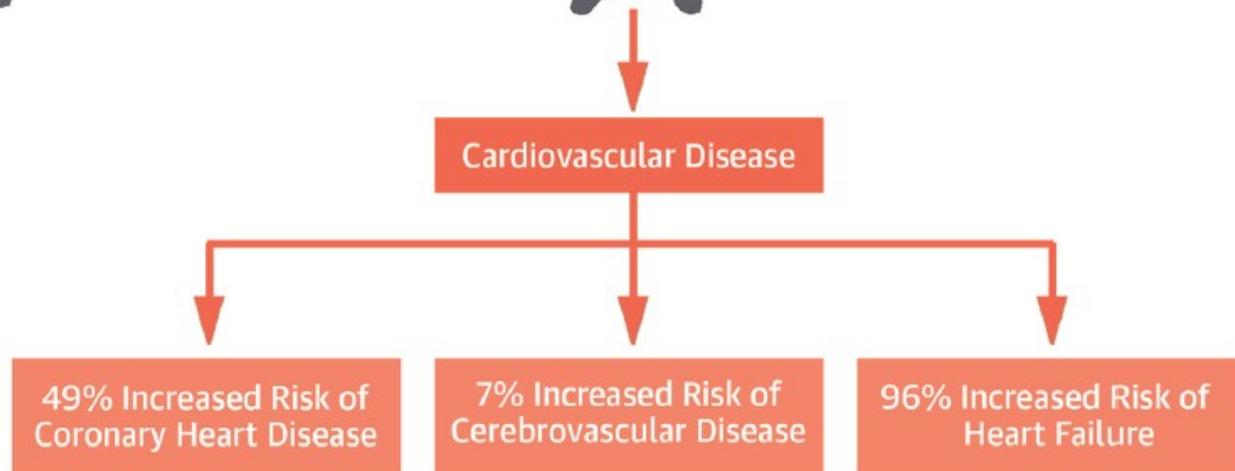


- BMI 18.50-24.99 kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- No Dyslipidemia
- No Hypertension
- No Type 2 Diabetes

## Obese Metabolically Healthy



- BMI  $\geq 30.00$  kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- No Dyslipidemia
- No Hypertension
- No Type 2 Diabetes

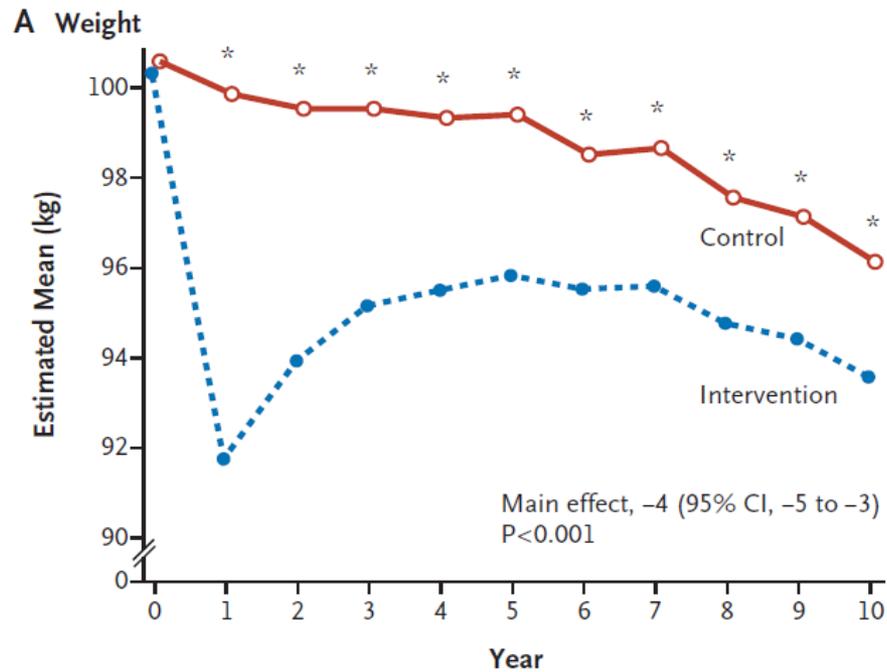


# Cardiovascular Effects of Intensive Lifestyle Intervention in Type 2 Diabetes

The Look AHEAD Research Group\*

Control group (N. 2575 with T2DM): Standard diabetes support and education.

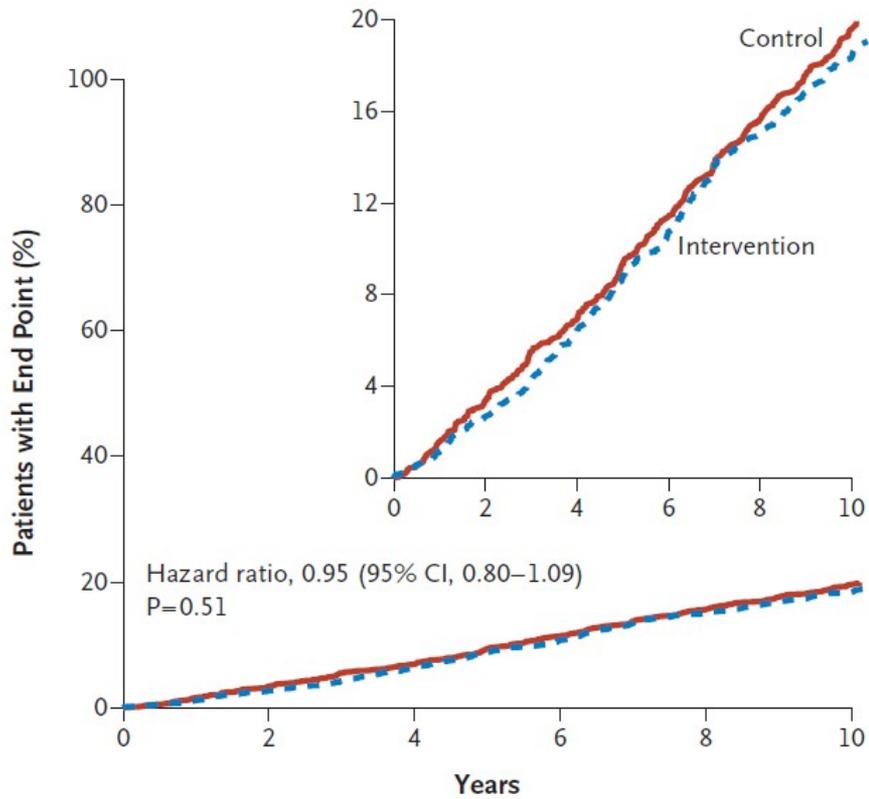
Intervention group (N. 2570 with T2DM): Intensive lifestyle intervention



NEJM 2013;369:145-154

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## No. at Risk

Control	2575	2425	2296	2156	2019	688
Intervention	2570	2447	2326	2192	2049	505

NEJM 2013;369:145-154

Association of the magnitude of weight loss and changes in physical fitness with long-term cardiovascular disease outcomes in overweight or obese people with type 2 diabetes: a post-hoc analysis of the Look AHEAD randomised clinical trial

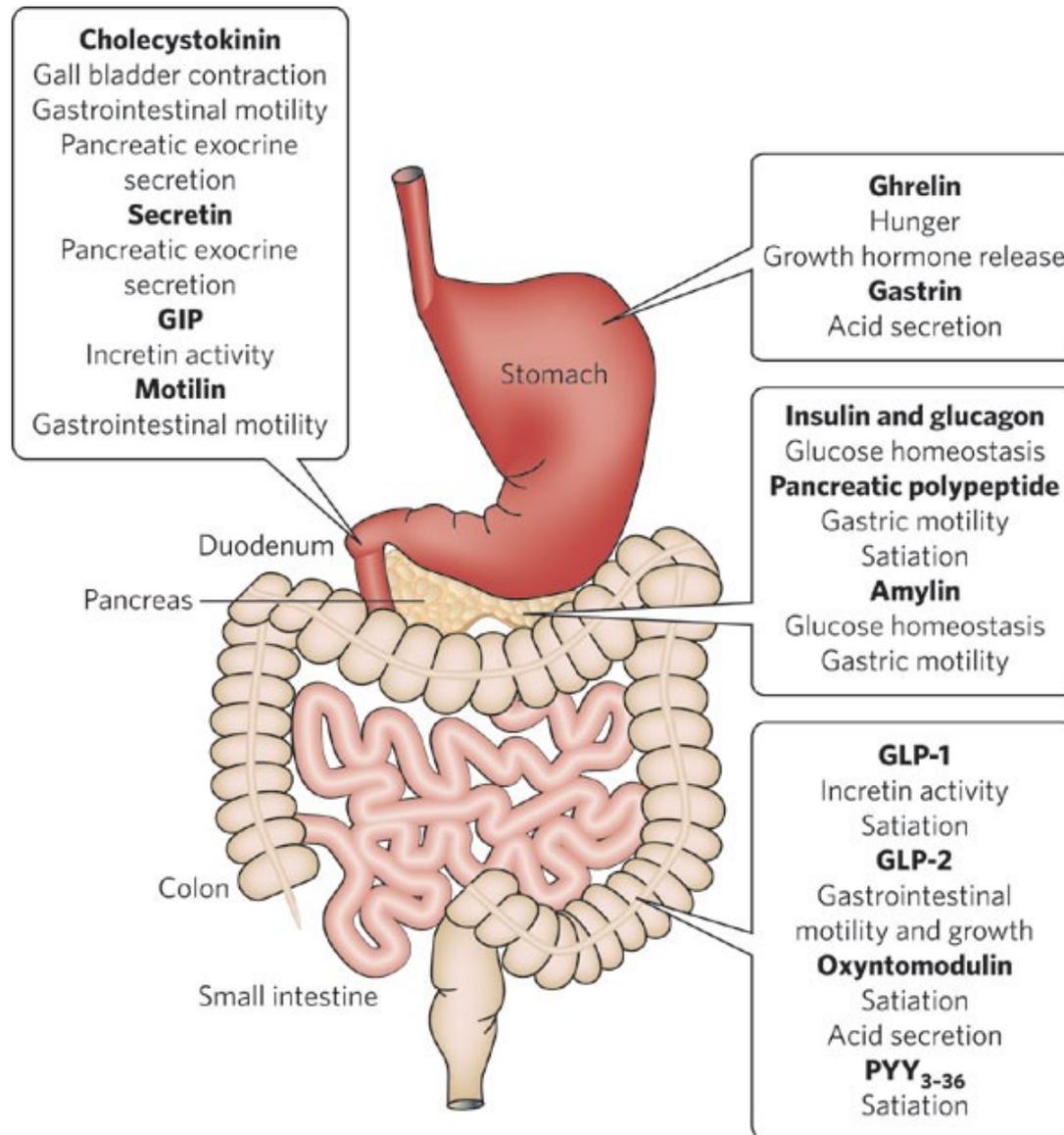
	Weight-change categories (percentage weight loss in first year; n=4834)				
	Gain or stable (<2% loss)	Small loss (≥2-<5%)	Medium loss (≥5-<10%)	Large loss (≥10%)	p value
<b>Primary outcome</b>					
Events per person-years	289/17 075	141/7870	154/8570	128/8942	..
Crude rate per 100 person-years	1.69	1.79	1.80	1.43	..
Unadjusted hazard ratio (95% CI)	1.00	1.07 (0.88-1.31)	1.07 (0.88-1.31)	0.83 (0.67-1.02)	0.21
Adjusted hazard ratio†(95% CI)	1.00	1.08 (0.88-1.33)	1.16 (0.95-1.42)	0.79 (0.64-0.98), p=0.034*	0.17
<b>Secondary outcome</b>					
Events per person-years	422/16 699	206/7657	203/8411	186/8792	..
Crude rate per 100 person-years	2.53	2.69	2.41	2.12	..
Unadjusted hazard ratio (95% CI)	1.00	1.08 (0.91-1.27)	0.96 (0.81-1.13)	0.83 (0.70-0.99), p=0.035*	0.04
Adjusted hazard ratio† (95% CI)	1.00	1.05 (0.88-1.25)	0.97 (0.82-1.16)	0.76 (0.63-0.91), p=0.003*	0.006

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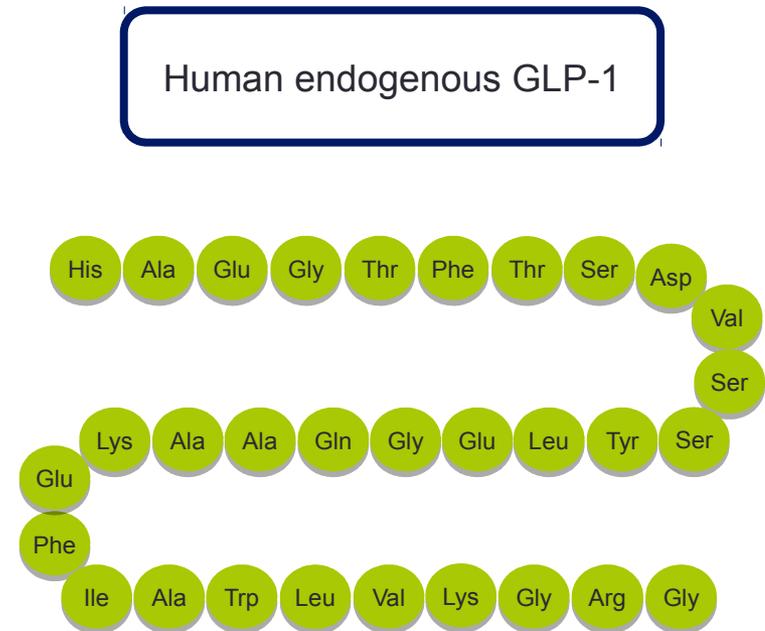
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# Gut-brain hormonal interactions



# What is GLP-1?

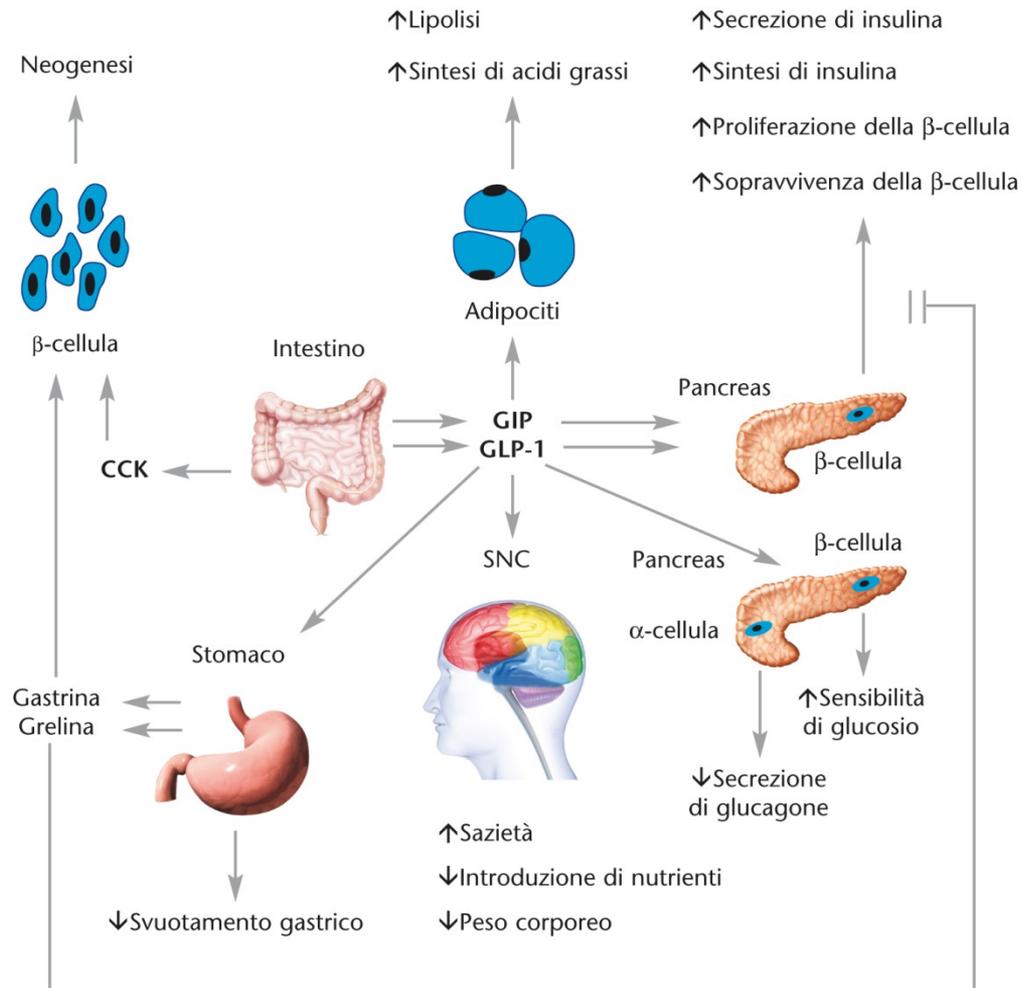
- GLP-1 is a peptide comprised of 31 amino acids
- Member of incretin family
- Secreted predominantly from L-cells in the gut, but also the brain (nucleus tractus solitarius)



Enzymatic degradation by DPP-4

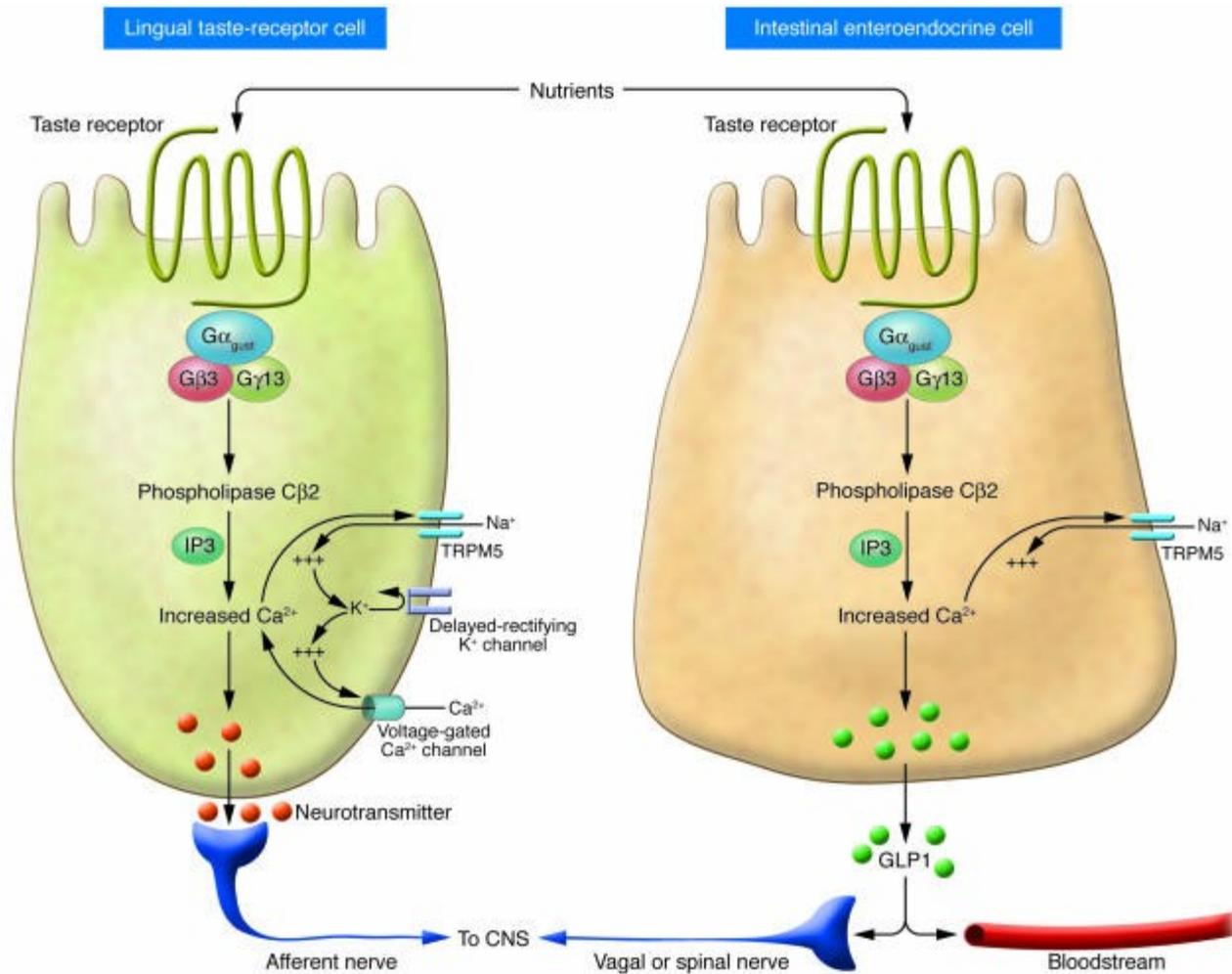
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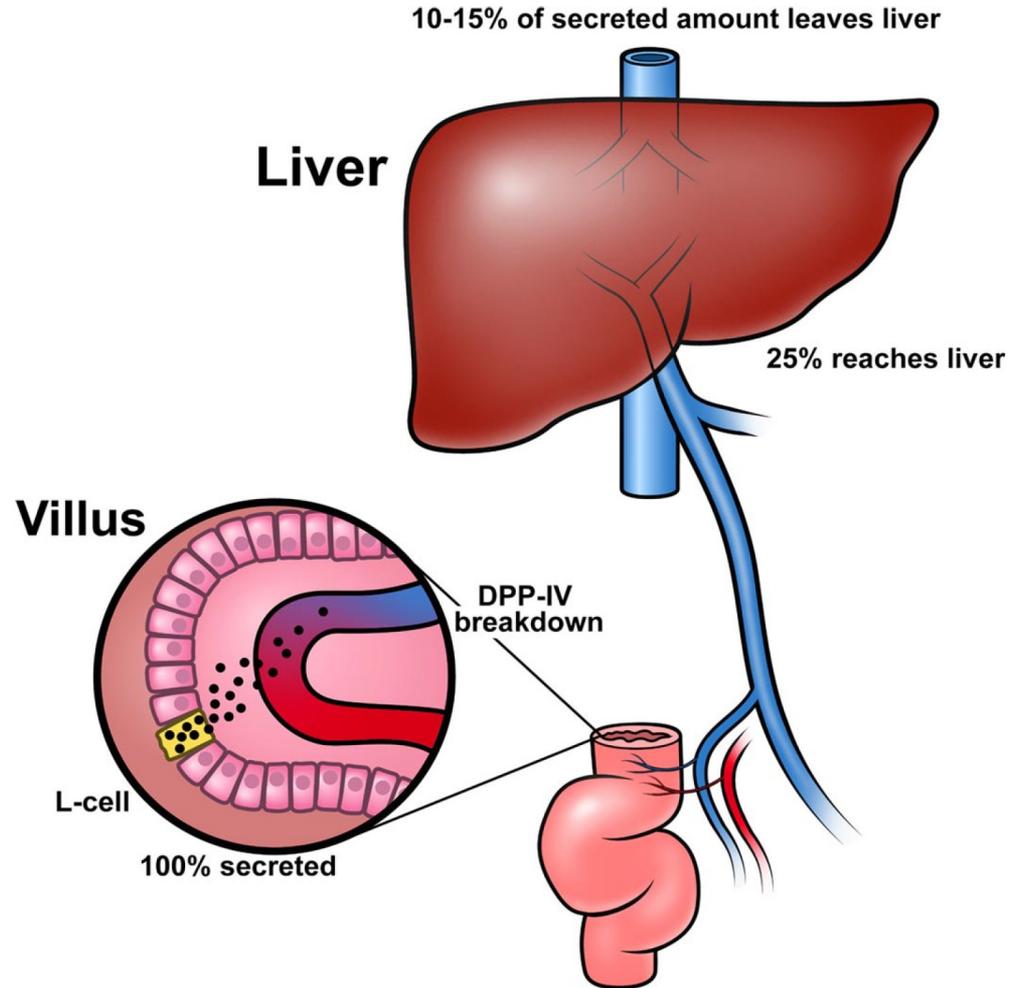
# Principali effetti di GLP-1



# Gastrointestinal regulation of food intake

David E. Cummings and Joost Overduin





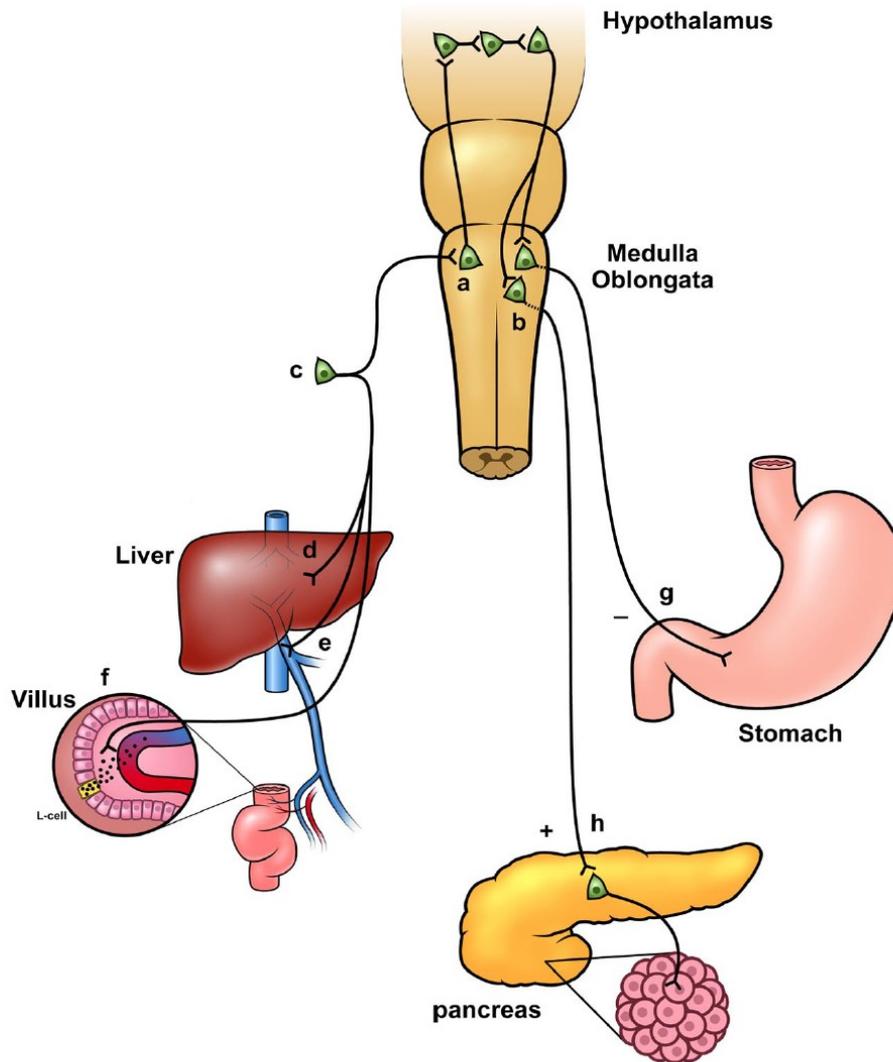
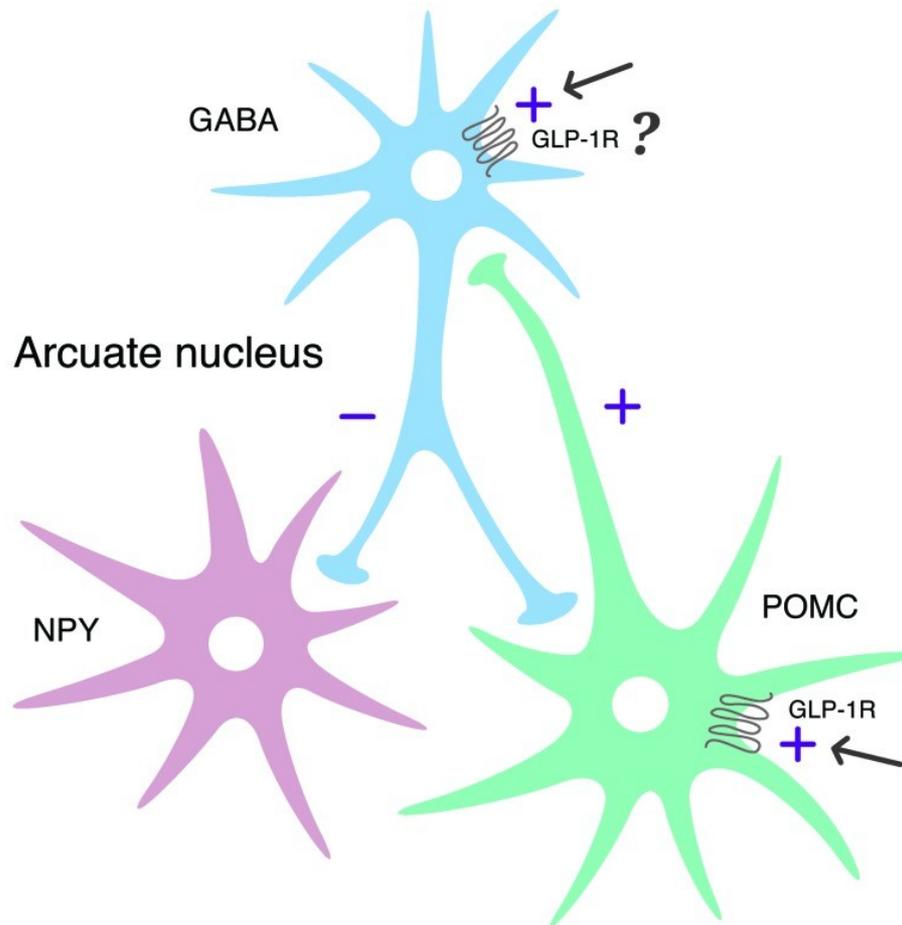


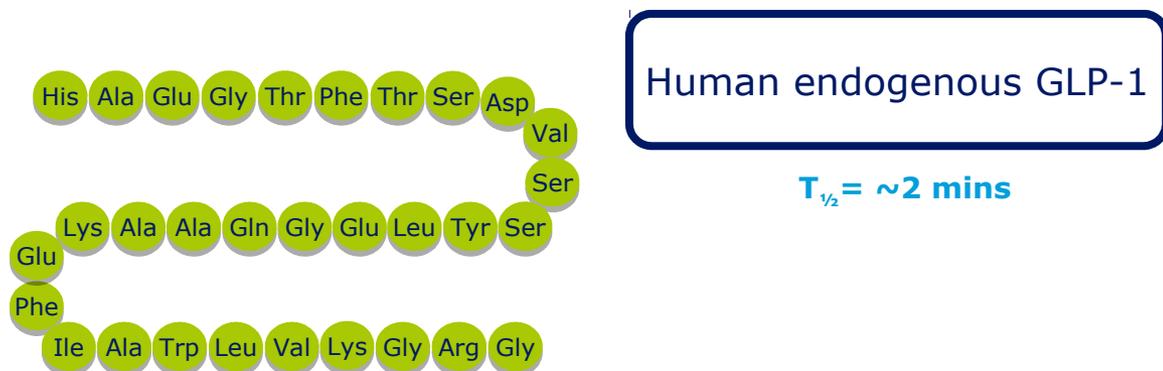
FIG. 9. The neural pathway for the actions of GLP-1. GLP-1 secretion is stimulated by nutrients in the gut lumen (a magnified intestinal villus with an open-type L-cell is shown at the lower left), and newly released GLP-1 diffuses across the basal lamina into the lamina propria. On its way to the capillary, however, it may bind to and activate sensory afferent neurons (f) originating in the nodose ganglion (c), which may in turn activate neurons of the solitary tract nucleus (a). The same neuronal pathway may be activated by sensory neurons in the hepatportal region (29) (e) or in the liver tissue (39) (d). Ascending fibers from the solitary tract neurons may generate reflexes in the hypothalamus, and descending impulses (from neurons in the paraventricular nucleus?) may activate vagal motor neurons (b), that send stimulatory (h) or inhibitory (g) impulses to the pancreas and the gastrointestinal tract. Interactions between ascending sensory nerve fibers and vagal motor-neurons may also take place at the level of the brain stem.

# Glucagon-like peptide-1 receptors in the brain: controlling food intake and body weight

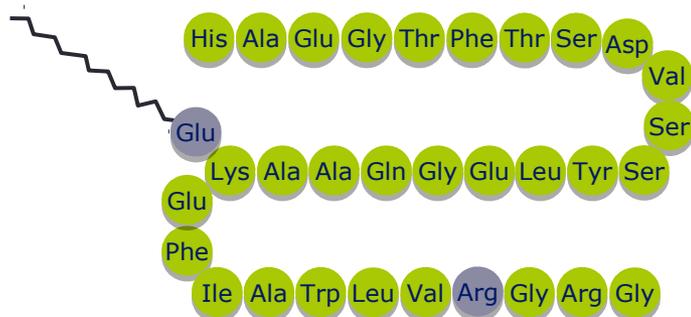
Laurie L. Baggio and Daniel J. Drucker



# Liraglutide is a once-daily, human GLP-1 analogue



**C-16 fatty acid  
(palmitoyl)**



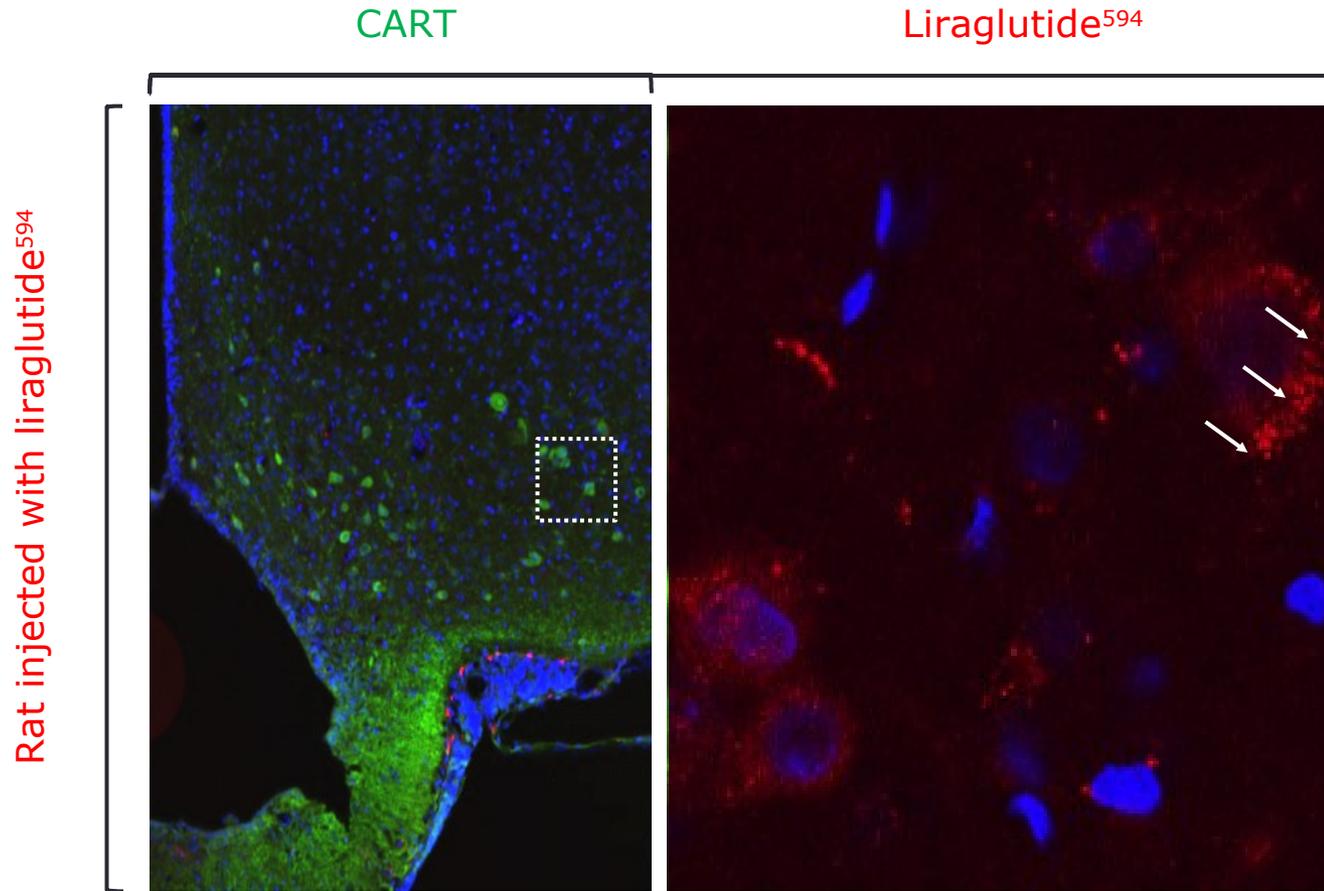
Liraglutide

97% amino acid homology to human GLP-1;  
improved PK: albumin binding through  
acylation; heptamer formation



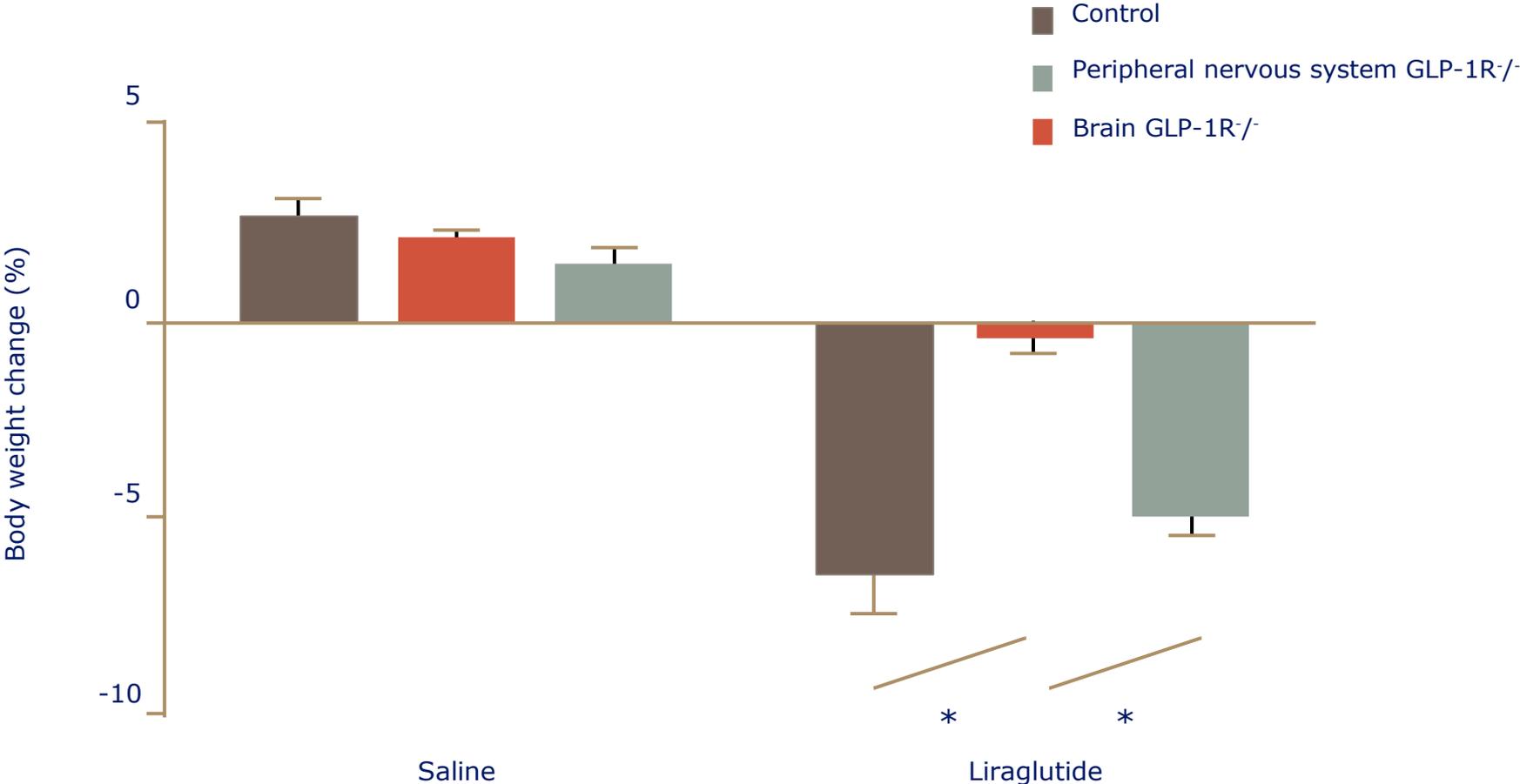
Slow absorption from subcutis  
Resistant to DPP-4  
Long plasma half-life  
( $T_{1/2} = 13 \text{ h}$ )

# Liraglutide<sup>594</sup> was localised in CART/POMC neurons in rat brain



Liraglutide<sup>594</sup>, Alexa Fluor<sup>®</sup>594 C5-maleimide-liraglutide; CART, cocaine- and amphetamine-regulated transcript; POMC, pro-opiomelanocortin

# Brain GLP-1 receptors mediate the body weight lowering effect of liraglutide



\*P<0.05 compared with saline treatment, same genotype unless otherwise indicated

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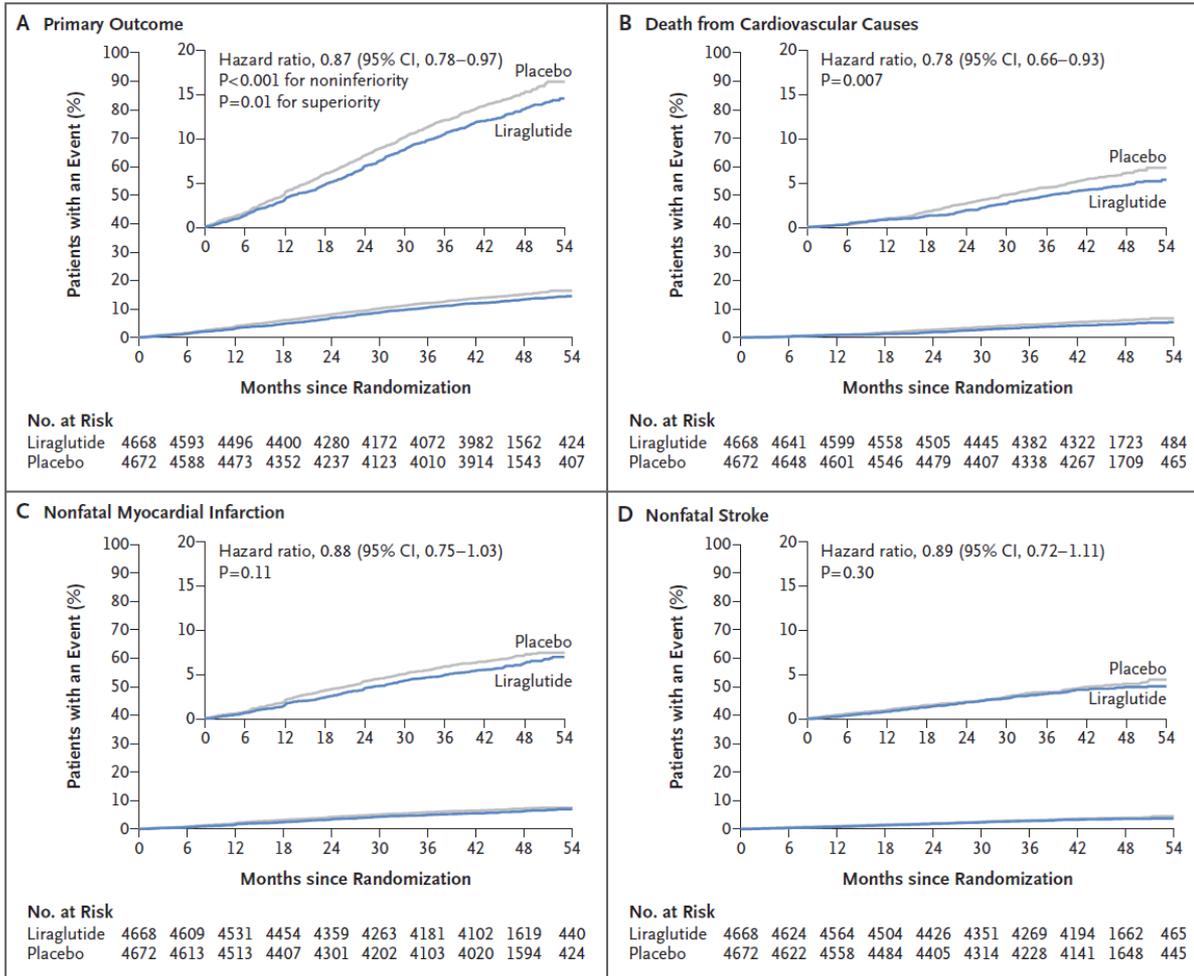
### Liraglutide and cardiovascular outcomes in type 2 diabetes

#### Major inclusion criteria

- Age  $\geq$  50 years with at least one cardiovascular coexisting condition:
  - coronary heart disease, cerebrovascular disease, peripheral vascular disease, chronic kidney disease of stage 3 or greater, chronic heart failure of NYHA class II or III.
- Age  $\geq$  60 years with at least one cardiovascular risk factor
  - microalbuminuria or proteinuria, hypertension and left ventricular hypertrophy, left ventricular systolic or diastolic dysfunction, ankle–brachial index of less than 0.9.

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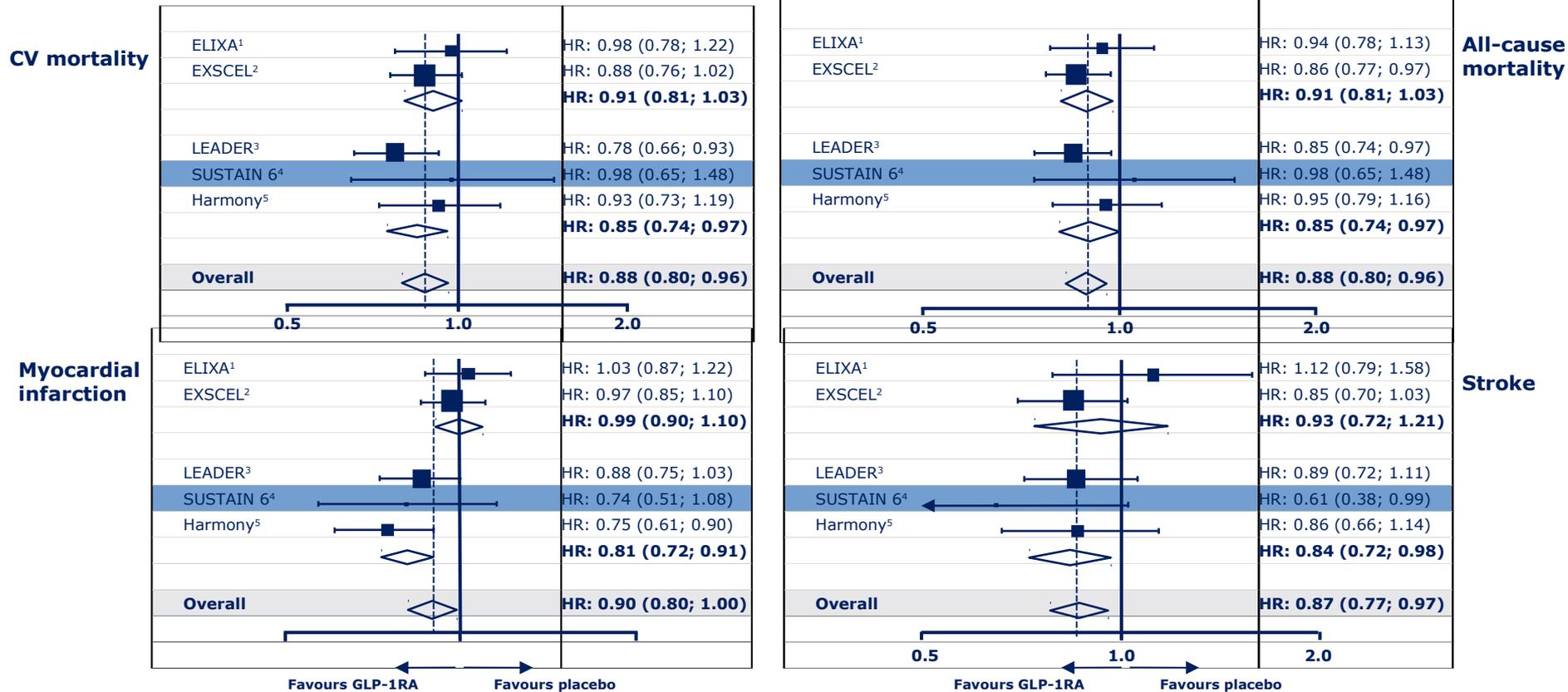
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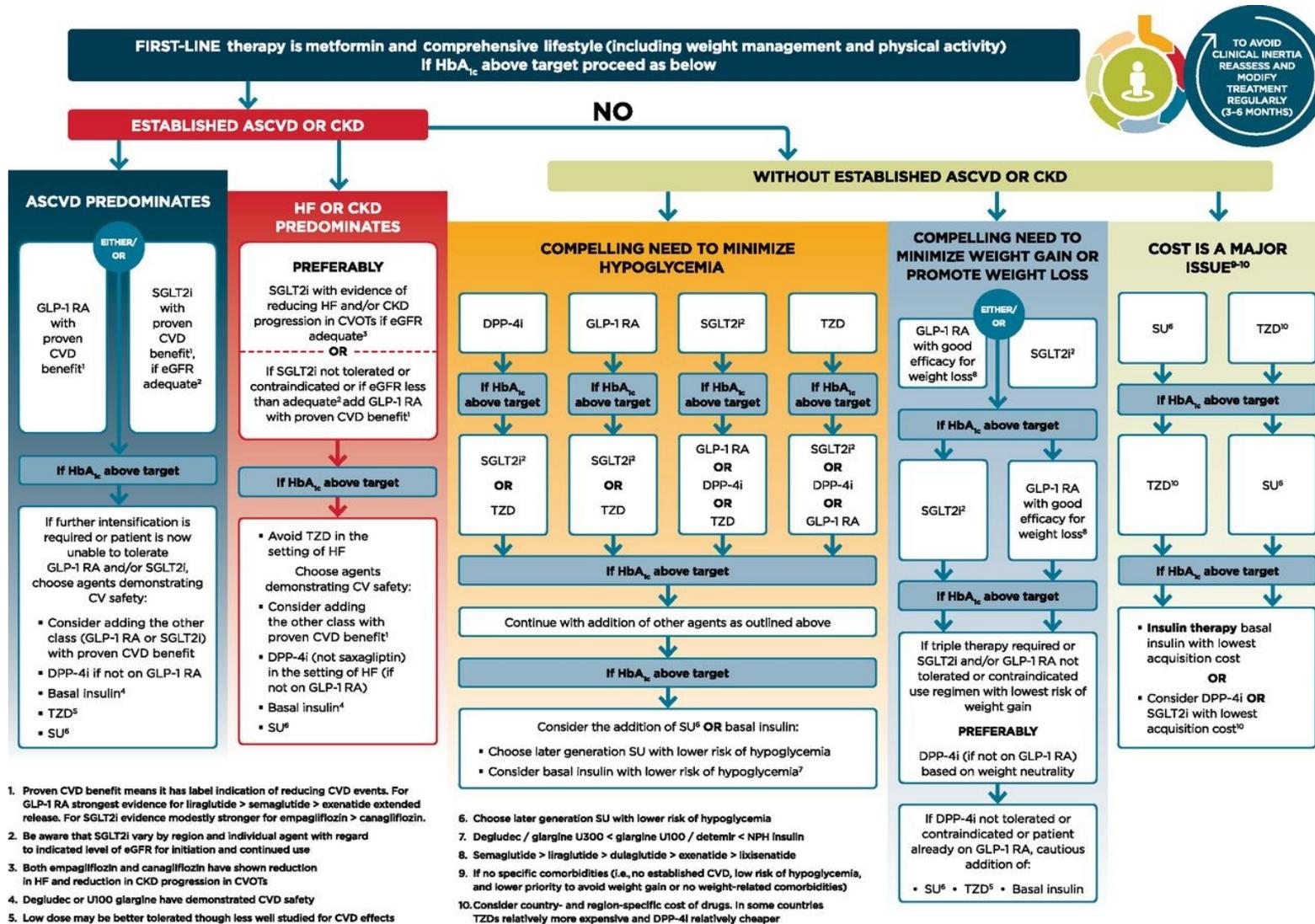
Table 2. Selected Adverse Events Reported during the Trial.\*

Event	Liraglutide (N = 4668)	Placebo (N = 4672)	P Value
Adverse event			
Any adverse event	2909 (62.3)	2839 (60.8)	0.12
Serious adverse event	2320 (49.7)	2354 (50.4)	0.51
Confirmed hypoglycemia†	2039 (43.7)	2130 (45.6)	0.06
Severe adverse event	1502 (32.2)	1533 (32.8)	0.51
Severe hypoglycemia‡	114 (2.4)	153 (3.3)	0.02
Acute gallstone disease	145 (3.1)	90 (1.9)	<0.001
Cholelithiasis	68 (1.5)	50 (1.1)	0.09
Acute cholecystitis	36 (0.8)	21 (0.4)	0.046
Pancreatitis or neoplasm§			
Acute pancreatitis	18 (0.4)	23 (0.5)	0.44
Chronic pancreatitis	0	2 (<0.1)	0.16
Any benign neoplasm	168 (3.6)	145 (3.1)	0.18
Any malignant neoplasm	296 (6.3)	279 (6.0)	0.46
Pancreatic carcinoma	13 (0.3)	5 (0.1)	0.06
Medullary thyroid carcinoma	0	1 (<0.1)	0.32

# CVD Outcome studies with GLP-1RA



1. **Lixisenatide** Pfeffer M et al. *N Engl J Med* 2015;373:2247–57. 2. **Exenatide** Holman RR et al. *N Engl J Med* 2017;377:1228–1239; 3. **Liraglutide** Marso SP et al. *N Engl J Med* 2016;375:311–322; 4. **Semaglutide** Marso SP et al. *N Engl J Med* 2016;375:1834–1844; 5. **Albiglutide** Hernandez AF et al. *Lancet* 2018;392:1519–1529

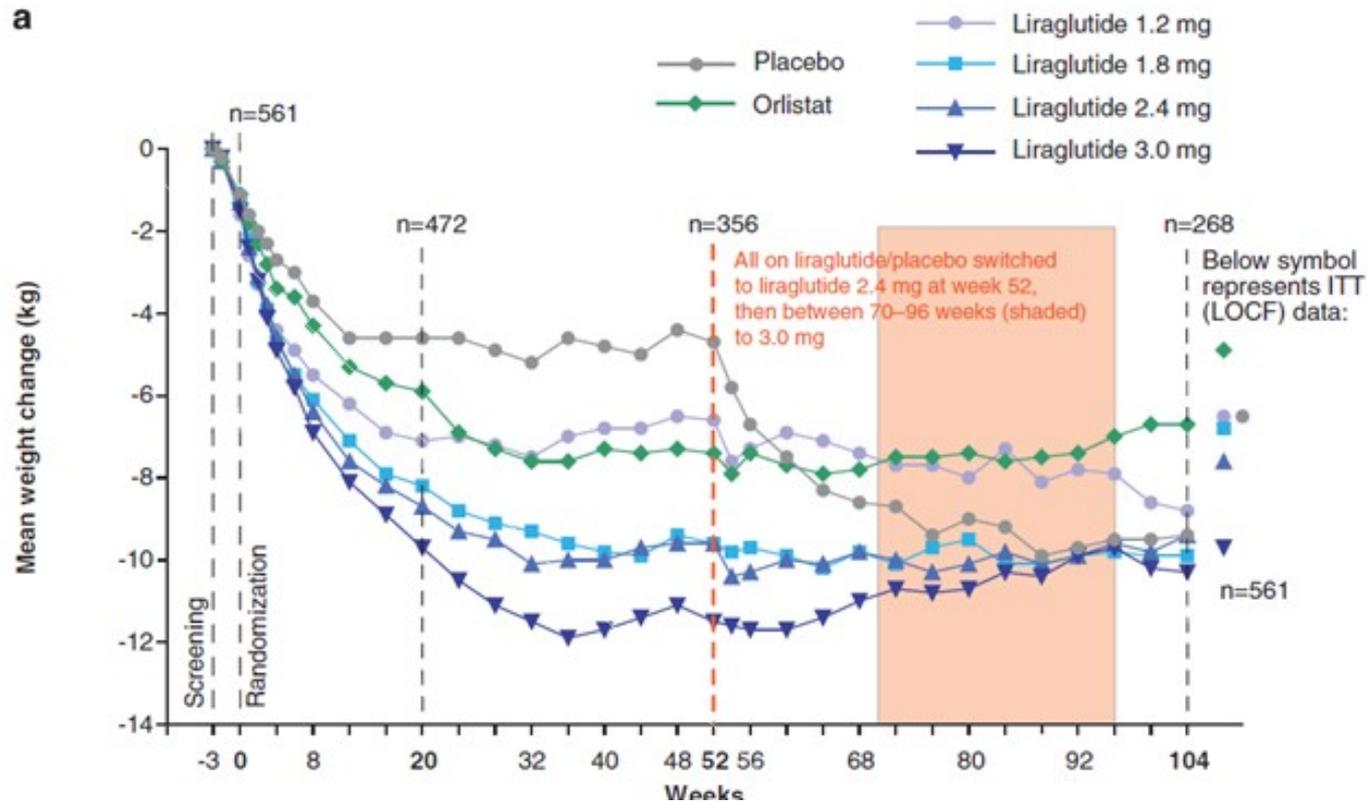


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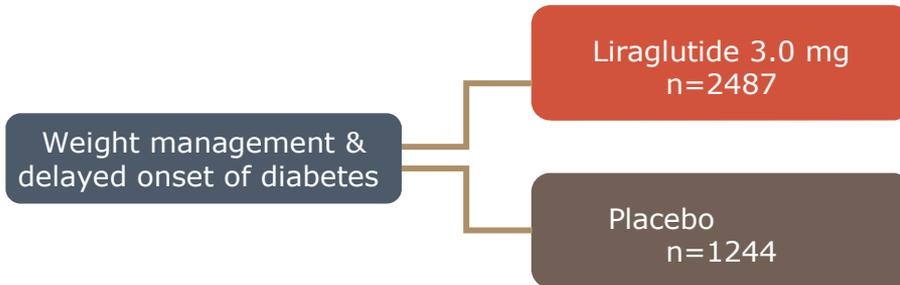
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## Safety, tolerability and sustained weight loss over 2 years with the once-daily human GLP-1 analog, liraglutide



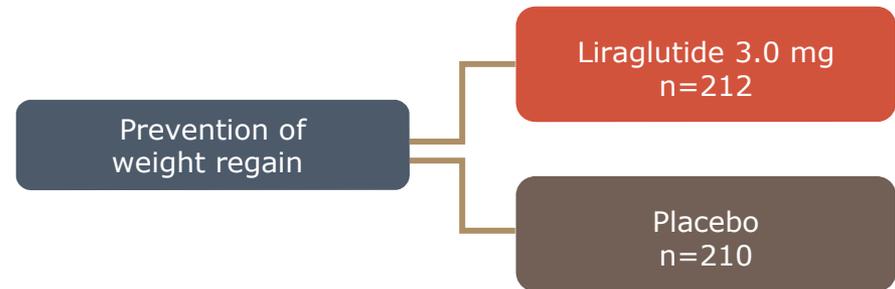
# SCALE Phase 3a clinical trial programme

## SCALE Obesity and Prediabetes (1839)



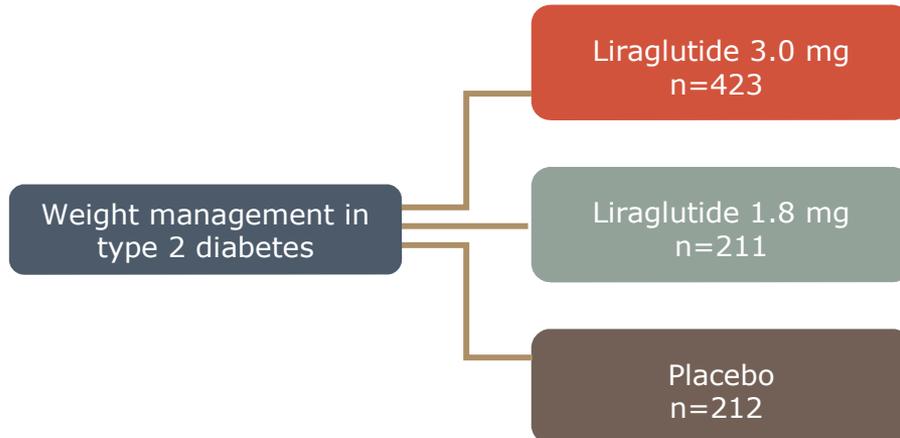
Pi-Sunyer et al. NEJM 2015;373:11-22

## SCALE Maintenance (1923)



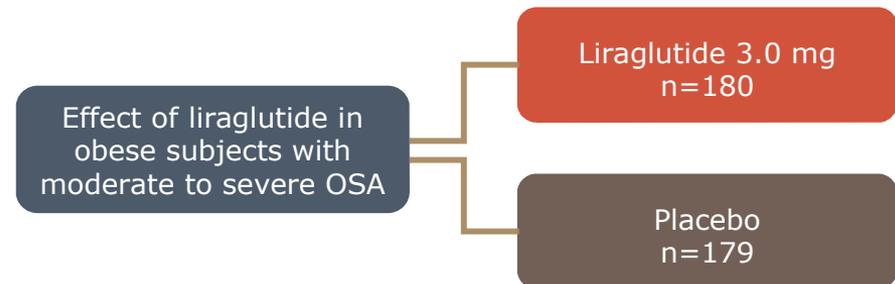
Wadden et al. Int J Obesity 2013;37:1443-51

## SCALE Diabetes (1922)



Davies et al. JAMA 2015;314:687-99

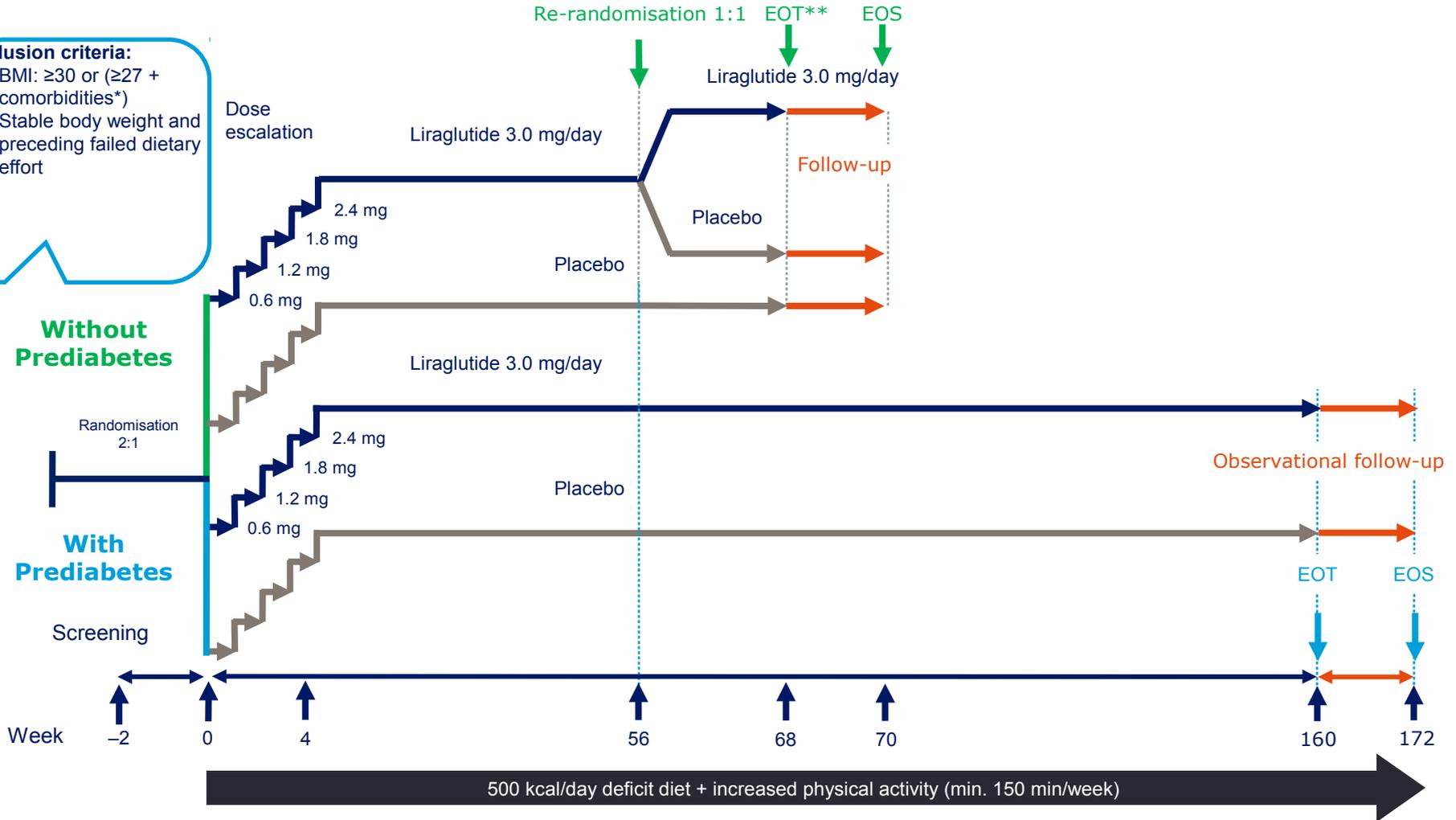
## SCALE Sleep Apnoea (3970)



Blackman et al. Int J Obesity 2016;40:1310-9

# SCALE Obesity and Prediabetes – Trial design

- Inclusion criteria:**
- BMI:  $\geq 30$  or ( $\geq 27$  + comorbidities\*)
  - Stable body weight and preceding failed dietary effort

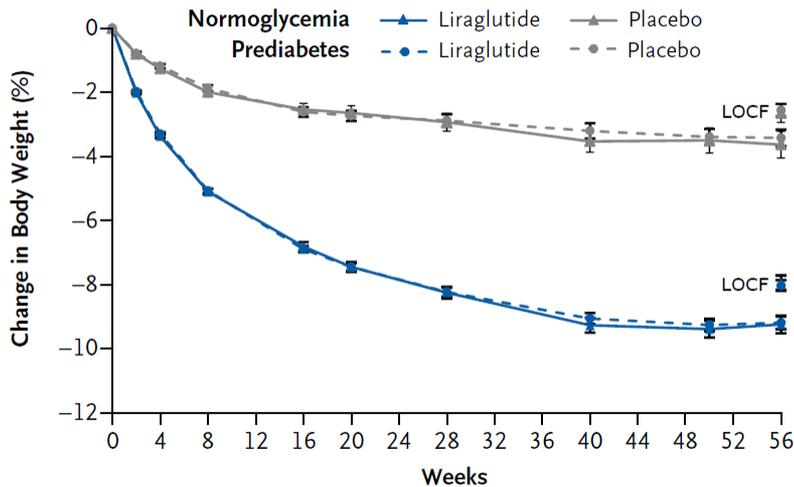


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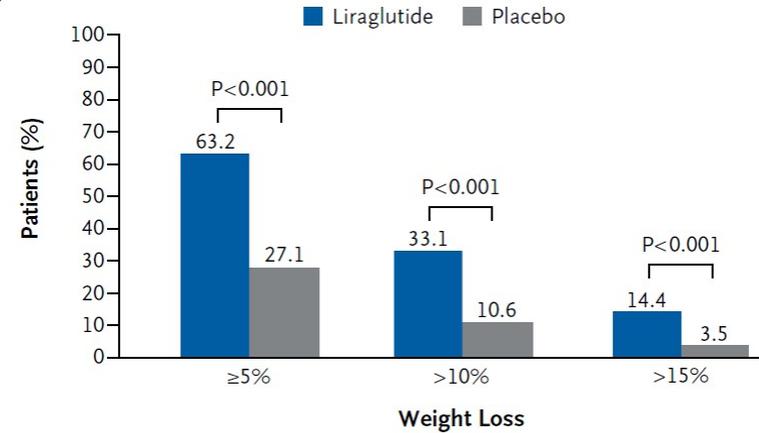
**Table 1. Baseline Characteristics of the Patients.\***

Characteristic	Liraglutide (N=2487)	Placebo (N=1244)
Sex — no. (%)		
Female	1957 (78.7)	971 (78.1)
Male	530 (21.3)	273 (21.9)
Age — yr	45.2±12.1	45.0±12.0
Body-mass index‡	38.3±6.4	38.3±6.3
Body-mass index categories — no. (%)‡		
27–29.9: overweight	66 (2.7)	44 (3.5)
30–34.9: obese class I	806 (32.4)	388 (31.2)
35–39.9: obese class II	787 (31.6)	398 (32.0)
≥40: obese class III	828 (33.3)	414 (33.3)

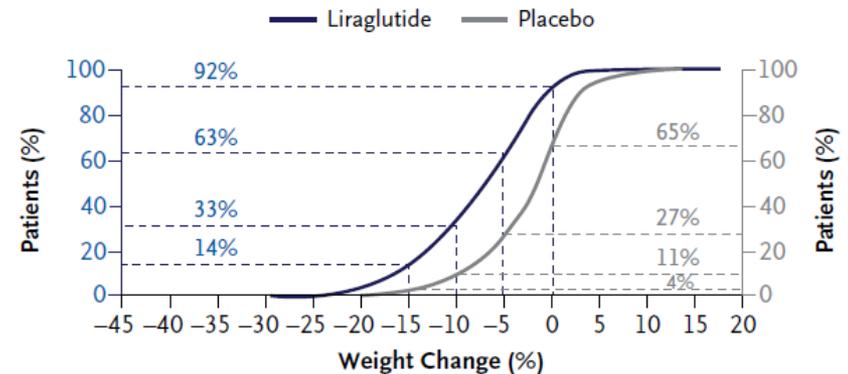
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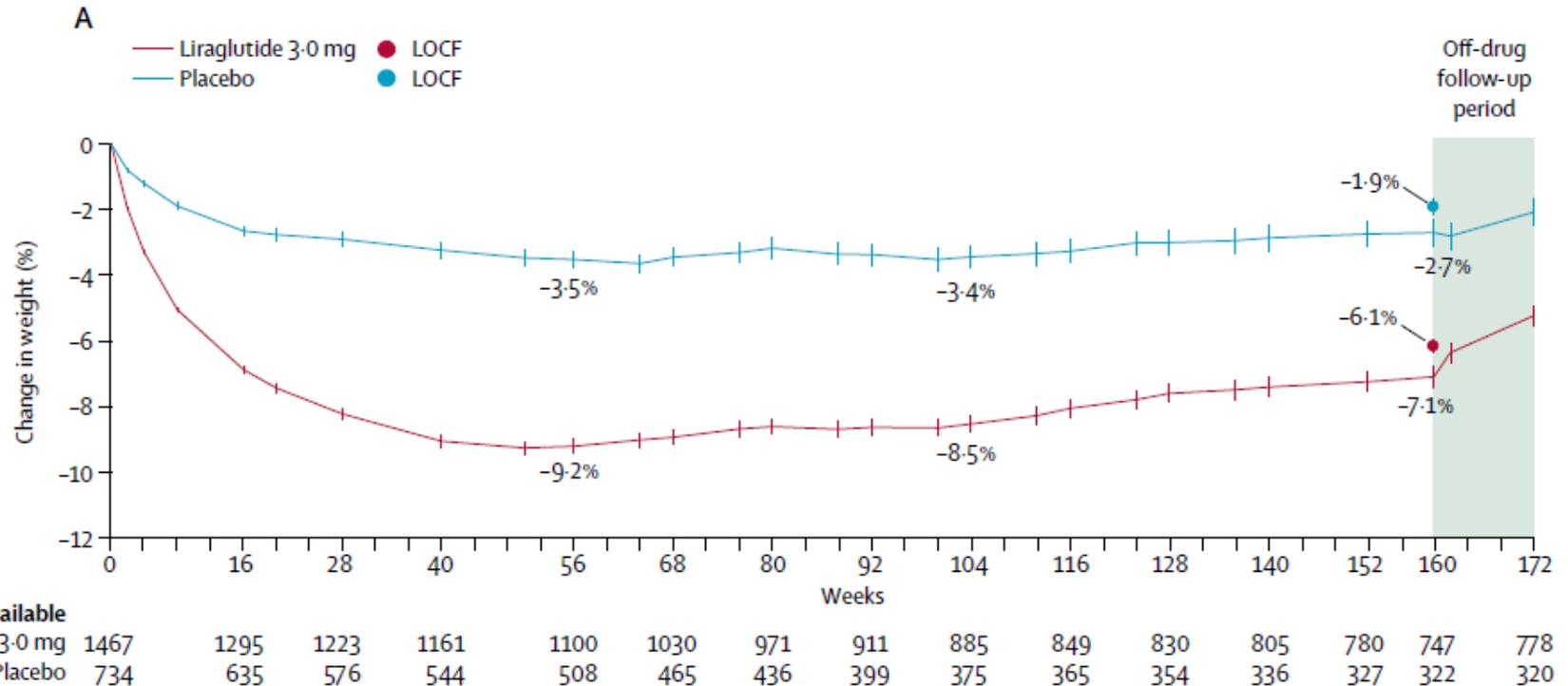
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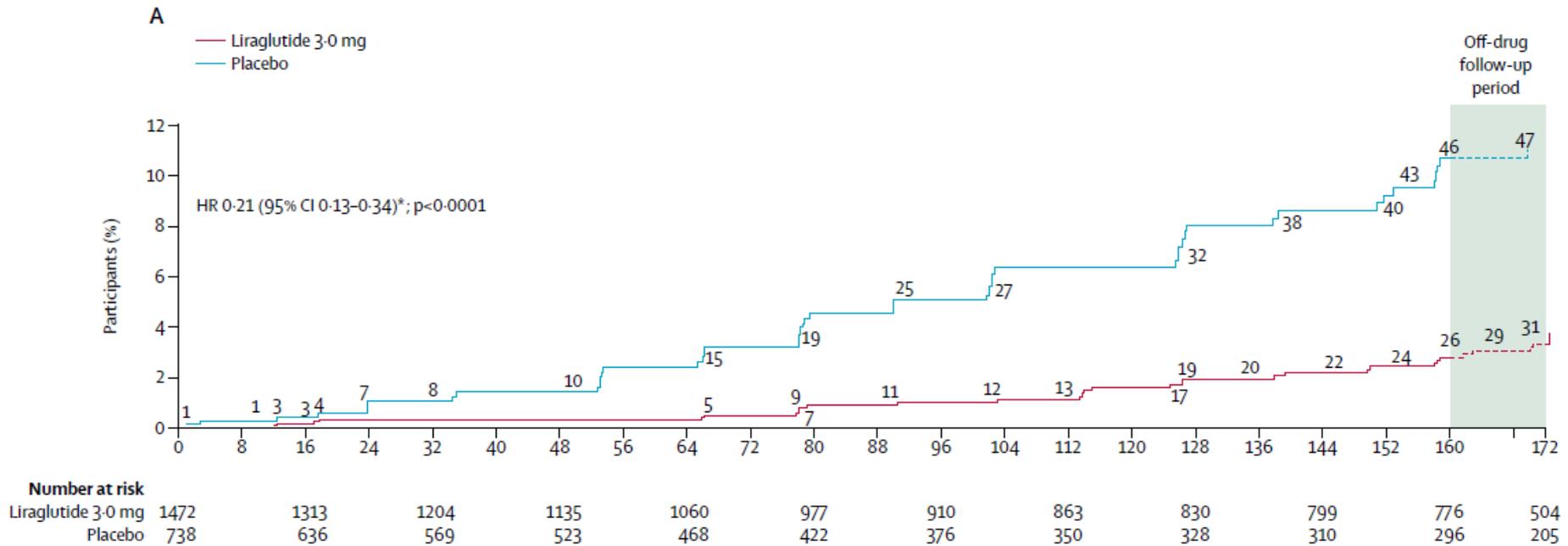
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### 3 years of liraglutide versus placebo for type 2 diabetes risk reduction and weight management in individuals with prediabetes: a randomised, double-blind trial

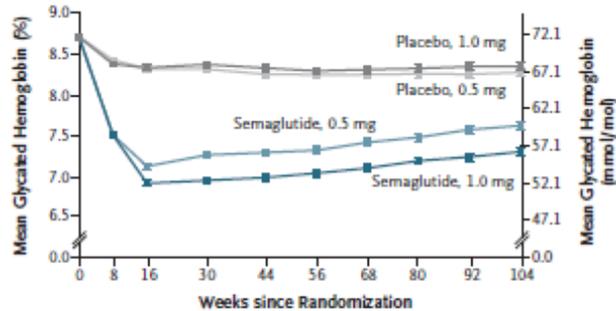


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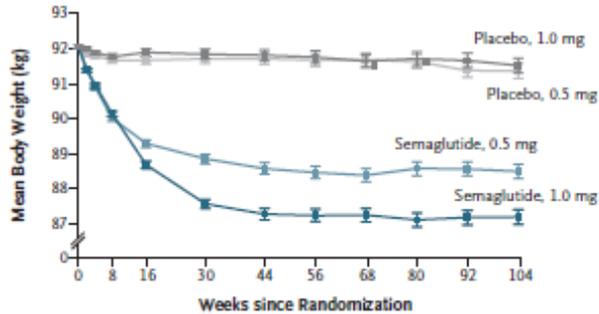


# SUSTAIN-6: Semaglutide and cardiovascular outcomes in patients with type 2 diabetes

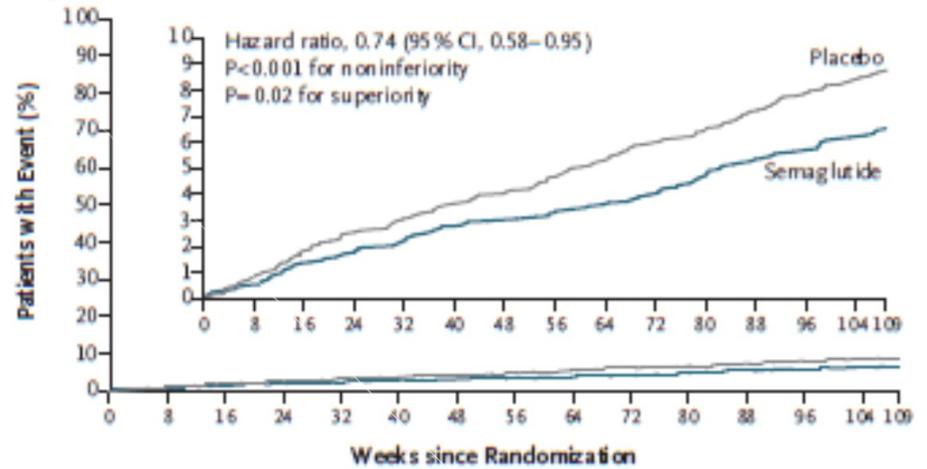
**A Glycated Hemoglobin**



**B Body Weight**



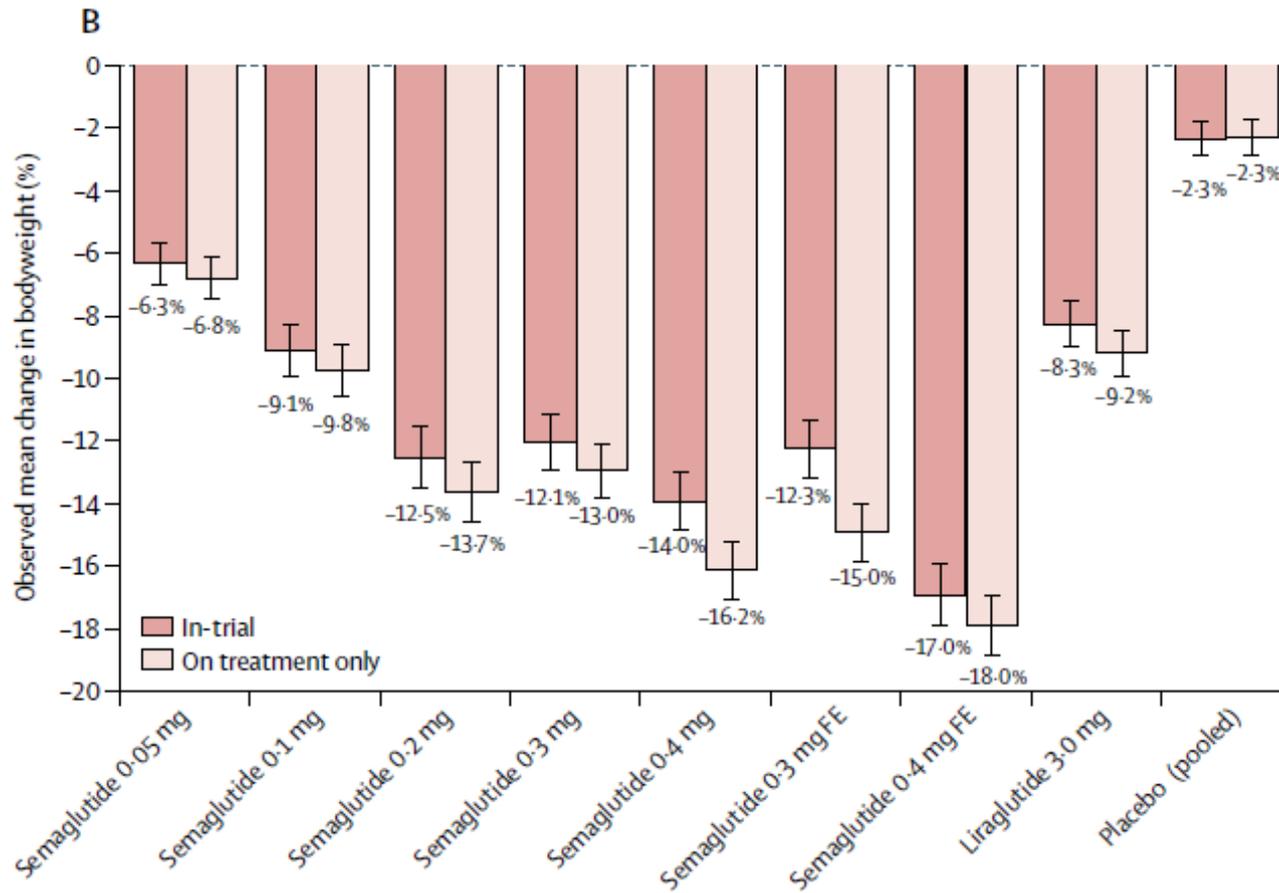
**A Primary Outcome**



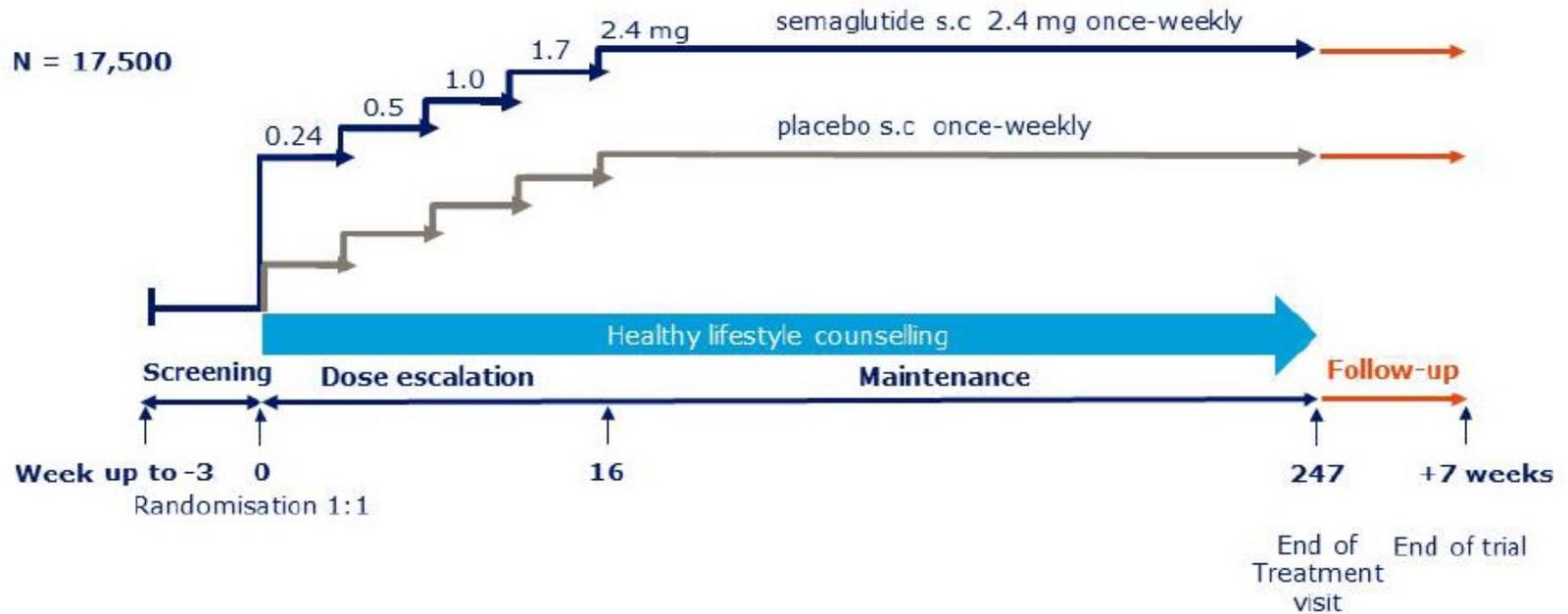
**No. at Risk**

Placebo	1649	1616	1586	1567	1534	1508	1479
Semaglutide	1648	1619	1601	1584	1568	1543	1524

Efficacy and safety of semaglutide compared with liraglutide and placebo for weight loss in patients with obesity: a randomised, double-blind, placebo and active controlled, dose-ranging, phase 2 trial



## SELECT TRIAL



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### Major inclusion criteria

- Age  $\geq$  45 years
- BMI  $\geq$  27 kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- Established CV as evidenced by one of the followings:
  - prior myocardial infarction
  - prior stroke (ischemic or hemorrhagic stroke)
  - symptomatic peripheral vascular disease



Grazie per  
l'attenzione !!!



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